



Cisco Catalyst IW6300 Heavy Duty Series and 6300 Series Embedded Services Access Point Software Configuration Guide

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Overview of Access Point Features

Cisco Catalyst IW6300 Heavy Duty Access Points (hereafter called IW6300) deliver secure, scalable, and flexible wireless connectivity to the most hazardous industrial environments, reliably delivering actionable data to always-on businesses.

Cisco 6300 Series Embedded Services Access Points (hereafter called ESW6300) integrate wireless mesh networking into heavy-industry and smart-city assets, and provides a dependable and secure connectivity solution in almost any work environment.

With 802.11ac Wave 2 connectivity, dual Power over Ethernet Plus (PoE+) out for IoT sensors or peripherals, multiple power-in sources, and a variety of uplink options, IW6300 and ESW6300 can provide a flexible wireless solution.

The IW6300 and ESW6300 access points can operate in the following modes:

- Unified mode
 - Local
 - Flexconnect
 - Bridge
 - Flexconnect with Bridge
 - Sniffer
- Workgroup Bridge



Note IW6300 and ESW6300 as Workgroup Bridge should be deployed in stationary use case.

The IW6300 and ESW6300 access points support the following software versions and later releases:

- Cisco Wireless Controllers (WLC) Release 8.10
- Cisco Mobility Express (ME) Release 8.10
- Cisco IOS-XE Release 17.1.1s

For more information about the Cisco Wireless Controller, see the relevant document at:

<https://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/wireless/wireless-lan-controller-software/tsd-products-support-series-home.html>

For more information about the Cisco Mobility Express solution, see the relevant document at:

<https://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/wireless/mobility-express/products-installation-and-configuration-guides-list.html>

For more information about Cisco IOS XE, see the relevant document at:

<http://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/products/ios-nx-os-software/ios-xe/index.html>

Configuring the Access Point for the First Time

This section describes how to configure basic settings on the wireless device for the first time. You can configure all the settings described in this section using the CLI, but it might be simplest to browse to the wireless device web-browser interface to complete the initial configuration and then use the CLI to enter additional settings for a more detailed configuration.

Using the Command-Line Interface

Use Secure Shell (SSH) to access the CLI. SSH provides a secure, remote connection to networking devices. The SSH software package provides secure login sessions by encrypting the entire session. SSH features strong cryptographic authentication, strong encryption, and integrity protection.

By default, SSH is disabled. When the AP joins the controller, the SSH function can be enabled remotely.

Obtaining an IP Address

Your access point requires an IP address to operate. The access point is not shipped with a default IP address. It obtains an IP address from the DHCP server in your network when you make the connection. If your network does not have a DHCP server, the access point continues to request an IP address until you assign it one. You must configure the IP address by opening the CLI from a terminal session established through the console port on the access point.

If your access point obtained its IP address from the network DHCP server, you or your network administrator can obtain it by querying the DHCP server using the MAC address of the access point.

Connecting to the Access Point Console Port

If you need to configure the access point locally (without connecting the access point to a wired LAN), you can connect a PC to its console port using a DB-9 to RJ-45 serial cable. Follow these steps to open the CLI by connecting to the access point console port:

Procedure

- Step 1** Connect a nine-pin, female DB-9 to RJ-45 serial cable to the RJ-45 serial port on the access point and to the COM port on a computer. The Cisco part number for the DB-9 to RJ-45 serial cable is AIR-CONCAB1200. Browse to <http://www.cisco.com/go/marketplace> to order a serial cable.
- Step 2** Set up a terminal emulator to communicate with the access point. Use the following settings for the terminal emulator connection: 9600 baud, 8 data bits, no parity, 1 stop bit, and no flow control.
- Step 3** When connected, press enter or type en to access the command prompt. Pressing enter takes you to the user exec mode. Entering en prompts you for a password, then takes you to the privileged exec mode. The default password is Cisco and is case-sensitive.

Note When your configuration changes are completed, you must remove the serial cable from the access point.

The Controller Discovery Process

The access point uses standard Control and Provisioning of Wireless Access Points Protocol (CAPWAP) to communicate between the controller and other wireless access points on the network. CAPWAP is a standard, interoperable protocol that allows an access controller to manage a collection of wireless termination points. The discovery process using CAPWAP is identical to the Lightweight Access Point Protocol (LWAPP) used with the access points. LWAPP-enabled access points are compatible with CAPWAP, and conversion to a CAPWAP controller is seamless. Deployments can combine CAPWAP and LWAPP software on the controllers.

The functionality provided by the controller does not change, except for customers who have Layer 2 deployments, which CAPWAP does not support.

In a CAPWAP environment, the wireless access point discovers a controller by using CAPWAP discovery mechanisms and then sends it a CAPWAP join request. The controller sends the access point a CAPWAP join response to allow the access point to join the controller. When the access point joins the controller, the controller manages its configuration, firmware, control transactions, and data transactions.

For additional information about the discovery process and CAPWAP, see the [Cisco Wireless LAN Controller Software Configuration Guide](#).

- You cannot edit or query any access point using the controller CLI if the name of the access point contains a space.
- Ensure that the controller is set to the current time. If the controller is set to a time that has already occurred, the access point might not join the controller because its certificate may not yet be valid.

Access points must be discovered by a controller before they can become active in the network. The access point supports these controller discovery processes:

- Layer 3 CAPWAP discovery—Can occur on different subnets than the access point and uses IP addresses and UDP packets rather than MAC addresses used by Layer 2 discovery.
- Locally stored controller IP address discovery—If the access point was previously joined to a controller, the IP addresses of the primary, secondary, and tertiary controllers are stored in the access point's non-volatile memory. This process of storing controller IP addresses on an access point for later deployment is called priming the access point. See [Performing a Pre-Installation Configuration](#).
- DHCP server discovery—This feature uses DHCP option 43 to provide controller IP addresses to access points. Cisco switches support a DHCP server option that is typically used for this capability. See [Configuring DHCP Option 43, on page 6](#).
- DNS discovery—The access point can discover controllers through your domain name server (DNS). To use this discovery method, you must configure the DNS to return controller IP addresses in response to **CISCO-CAPWAP-CONTROLLER.localdomain**, where localdomain is the access point domain name. Configuring the CISCO-CAPWAP-CONTROLLER provides backward compatibility in an existing deployment. When an access point receives the IP address and DNS information from a DHCP server, it contacts the DNS to resolve CISCO-CAPWAP-CONTROLLER.localdomain. When the DNS sends a list of controller IP addresses, the access point sends discovery requests to the controllers.

Configuring DHCP Option 43

You can use DHCP Option 43 to provide a list of controller IP addresses to the access points, enabling them to find and join a controller.

The following is a DHCP Option 43 configuration example on a Windows 2003 Enterprise DHCP server for use with Cisco Aironet lightweight access points. For other DHCP server implementations, consult product documentation for configuring DHCP Option 43. In Option 43, you should use the IP address of the controller management interface.



Note DHCP Option 43 is limited to one access point type per DHCP pool. You must configure a separate DHCP pool for each access point type.

The IW6300 and ESW6300 access point uses the type-length-value (TLV) format for DHCP Option 43. DHCP servers must be programmed to return the option based on the access point DHCP Vendor Class Identifier (VCI) string (DHCP Option 43).

- The VCI string for the IW6300 series access point is:

Cisco AP IW6300

- The VCI string for the ESW6300 series access point is:

Cisco AP ESW6300

The format of the TLV block is listed below:

- Type: 0xf1 (decimal 241)
- Length: Number of controller IP addresses * 4
- Value: List of WLC management interfaces

To configure DHCP Option 43 in the embedded Cisco IOS DHCP server, follow these steps:

Procedure

Step 1 Enter configuration mode at the Cisco IOS CLI.

Step 2 Create the DHCP pool, including the necessary parameters such as default router and name server. The commands used to create a DHCP pool are as follows:

```
ip dhcp pool <pool name>
network <IP Network> <Netmask>
default-router <Default router>
dns-server <DNS Server>
```

Where:

- *<pool name>* is the name of the DHCP pool, such as IW6300
- *<IP Network>* is the network IP address where the controller resides, such as 10.0.15.1
- *<Netmask>* is the subnet mask, such as 255.255.255.0
- *<Default router>* is the IP address of the default router, such as 10.0.0.1

- *<DNS Server>* is the IP address of the DNS server, such as 10.0.10.2

Step 3 Add the Option 60 line using the following syntax:

```
option 60 ascii "VCI string"
```

For the VCI string, use the value "Cisco AP IW6300". The quotation marks must be included.

Step 4 Add the Option 43 line using the following syntax:

```
option 43 hex hex string
```

The hex string is assembled by concatenating the TLV values shown below:

Type + Length + Value

Where:

- *Type* is always f1(hex).
- *Length* is the number of controller management IP addresses times 4 in hex.
- *Value* is the IP address of the controller listed sequentially in hex.

For example, suppose that there are two controllers with management interface IP addresses, 10.126.126.2 and 10.127.127.2. The type is f1(hex). The length is $2 * 4 = 8 = 08$ (hex). The IP addresses translate to 0a7e7e02 and 0a7f7f02. Assembling the string then yields f1080a7e7e020a7f7f02. The resulting Cisco IOS command added to the DHCP scope is listed below:

```
option 43 hex f1080a7e7e020a7f7f02
```

Performing a Pre-Installation Configuration

The following procedures ensure a successful access point installation and initial operational setup. Pre-installation configuration – priming the access point – is optional.



Note If your network controller already properly configured, you can skip priming and simply install your access point in its final location and connect it to the network. See *Deploying in a Wireless Network*.

To prime the access point:

Procedure

Step 1 Ensure that the Cisco Wireless LAN Controller Management DS Port is connected to the network. Use the CLI, browser-based interface, or Cisco WCS procedures described in the appropriate Cisco Wireless LAN Controller guide to perform the following:

- a) Ensure that the access points have Layer 3 connectivity to the Cisco Wireless LAN Controller Management and AP-Manager Interface.

- b) Configure the switch to which your access point is to attach. See the appropriate Cisco Wireless LAN Controller guide.
- c) Set the Cisco Wireless LAN Controller as the master so that new access points always join with it.
- d) Ensure that DHCP is enabled on the network.

Note The access point must receive its IP address through DHCP.

- e) Ensure that no CAPWAP UDP ports are blocked in the network.
- f) Use a DHCP, DNS, or IP subnet broadcast to ensure that the access point finds the IP address of the controller.

Note This guide describes the DHCP method to convey the controller IP address. For other methods, refer to product documentation. See also [Configuring DHCP Option 43, on page 6](#).

Step 2 Apply power to the access point. As the access point attempts to connect to the controller, the LEDs cycle through a green-red-amber sequence, which can take up to 5 minutes.

Step 3 (Optional) Configure the access point. Use the controller CLI, controller GUI, or Cisco Prime Infrastructure to customize access-point-specific IEEE 802.11ac network settings. On successful access point priming, the Status LED is green indicating normal operation.

Step 4 Disconnect the access point and mount it in location.

- Note**
- If the access point LEDs do not indicate normal operation, turn it off and repeat the access point priming procedure
 - When installing a Layer 3 access point on a different subnet than the Cisco Wireless LAN Controller, ensure that:
 - a DHCP server is reachable from the subnet on which you are installing the access point and that subnet has a return route to the Cisco Wireless LAN Controller.
 - the return route to the Cisco Wireless LAN Controller has destination UDP ports 5246 and 5247 open for CAPWAP communications.
 - the return route to the primary, secondary, and tertiary Cisco Wireless LAN Controllers allows IP packet fragments.
 - if using address translation, the access point and the Cisco Wireless LAN Controller have a static 1-to-1 NAT to an outside address. (Port address translation is not supported.)

Adding the Access Point MAC Addresses to the Controller Filter List

Before installing your access points, configure your controller by adding the MAC addresses of the access points to the filter list. The MAC address here refers to the PoE-IN port MAC address, which is printed on a label on the side of the unit.

MAC address filtering is enabled by default. This enables the controller to respond to the listed access points. To add a MAC filter entry on the controller, follow these steps:

Procedure

Step 1 Log into your controller using a web browser.

- Step 2** Choose **SECURITY >AAA >MAC Filtering > New**.
- Step 3** Enter the MAC address of the access point to the MAC Filter list; for example, 00:0B:91:21:3A:C7.
- Note** The access point MAC address is needed only when IW-6300H is in mesh mode (bridge or flex+bridge).
- Step 4** Select a WLAN ID or **Any WLAN** from the **Profile Name** pop-up menu.
- Step 5** Enter a description (32 characters maximum) of the access point in the Description field; for example, Fisher_Street_00.0B.91.21.3A.C7 shows the location and MAC address of the access point.
- Step 6** Choose an interface from the Interface Name pop-up menu, and click Apply.
- Step 7** Repeat Steps 2 to 6 to add other access points to the list.
- Step 8** Save the controller configurations.
- Step 9** Log out of your controller, and close your web browser.
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Changing an Bridge AP Role

You can change the mode of an AP after it is registered with WLC. By default, all the bridge mode APs join the controller in mesh access point role. After the AP is registered in the WLC, the AP role can be changed to RAP or MAP form the WLC GUI or CLI.

Changing an Bridge AP Role From AireOS WLC

To change the AP role form GUI, follow these steps:

Procedure

- Step 1** Click Wireless. When your access point associates to the controller, the name of the access point appears in the AP Name list.
- Step 2** Double-click your access point name.
- Step 3** Go to the Mesh tab, and choose Root AP or Mesh AP by clicking the drop-down arrow in the AP Role field.
- You can also change the AP role from the controller CLI using the command:
- ```
config ap role { rootAP | meshAP} Cisco_AP
```

### Changing an Bridge AP Role From IOS-XE WLC

To change the AP role form GUI, follow these steps:

#### Procedure

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- Step 1** Go to Configuration > Access Points.
- Step 2** Select the AP from the list to change its mode.
- Step 3** Under General tab, change the mode of the AP to bridge.
- Step 4** Go to the Mesh tab, change the role under General to Mesh or Root based on the requirement.

You can also change the AP role from the controller CLI using the command:

```
ap name ap-name role { mesh-ap | root-ap }
```

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## Configuring a Root Access Point

The access point defaults to the mesh access point (MAP) radio role. One or more of your access points must be reconfigured as a root access point (RAP). The RAPs connect to a wired Ethernet link through a switch to the controller. The MAPs use their wireless backhaul interface to connect to a RAP to reach the controller.

To configure a RAP on the controller GUI, follow these steps:

### Procedure

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- Step 1** Log into your controller using a web browser.
  - Step 2** Click Wireless. When your access point associates to the controller, the name of the access point appears in the AP Name list.
  - Step 3** Double-click your access point name.
  - Step 4** Find Mesh Information, and choose Root AP by clicking the drop-down arrow in the AP Role field.
  - Step 5** Click Apply.
  - Step 6** Repeat Steps 2 through 5 for each RAP.
  - Step 7** Log out from your controller, and close your web browser.
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## Configuring Mesh Access Points

Mesh networking employs Cisco Aironet outdoor mesh access points and indoor mesh access points along with Cisco Wireless Controller and Cisco Prime Infrastructure to provide scalability, central management, and mobility between indoor and outdoor deployments. Control and Provisioning of Wireless Access Points (CAPWAP) protocol manages the connection of mesh access points to the network.

The wireless mesh terminates on two points on the wired network. The first location is where the root access point (RAP) is attached to the wired network, and where all bridged traffic connects to the wired network. The second location is where the CAPWAP controller connect to the wired network; this location is where the WLAN client traffic from the mesh network is connected to the wired network. The WLAN client traffic from CAPWAP is tunneled to Layer 2. Matching WLANs should terminate on the same switch VLAN on which the wireless controllers are co-located. The security and network configuration for each of the WLANs on the mesh depend on the security capabilities of the network to which the wireless controller is connected.

For more information about designing and deploying mesh networks, see the relevant mesh deployment guides at:

<https://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/wireless/wireless-lan-controller-software/products-technical-reference-list.html>.

For more information about configuring mesh access points running Cisco IOS-XE, see the "Mesh Access Points" chapter in relevant *Cisco Catalyst 9800 Series Wireless Controller Software Configuration Guide* at:

<https://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/wireless/catalyst-9800-series-wireless-controllers/products-installation-and-configuration-guides-list.html>

# Mobility Express Support

The IW6300 and ESW6300 access points support AireOS Mobility Express Release 8.10.

For more information, see *Cisco Mobility Express Deployment Guide* and *Cisco Wireless Mesh Access Points, Design and Deployment Guide* at:

<https://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/wireless/wireless-lan-controller-software/products-technical-reference-list.html>

## Uplink Selection

The IW6300 and ESW6300 access points support multiple uplink options: SFP, PoE-IN, and wireless.

For local mode and flexconnect mode, only POE-IN and SFP are uplink capable. For mesh mode, POE-IN, SFP, and radio slot 0/1 are uplink capable. The SFP port has higher priority than the PoE-IN interface. Uplink port can only be latched to PoE-IN or SFP interface when the AP boots up.

The uplink port will not change if only the POE-IN or SFP port is up when power cycle AP. But if the uplink port is added to the blacklist, or the interface is down, or the daisychain STP redundancy feature is enabled and a change is detected in the STP Root Port, and there are other interfaces that can be used as the uplink port, AP will switch the uplink port to the other interface. This is also applied to Mobility Express in Flexconnect mode or Flex+bridge mode.

Plugging and unplugging the SFP module will cause the AP to reboot. The SFP module monitor process is running after AP boots up. When it detects the SFP module is inserted or removed, it will make the AP to reboot. The PHY driver on SFP port will only be loaded by power recycle.

### Connecting Data Cables

Both the Ethernet port and the SFP port cannot be used for uplink at the same time. If the SFP is detected and active, the Ethernet port is disconnected. If the SFP is not detected, the Ethernet port stays connected. If you are using the SFP port, to delivery data through a fiber-optic cable, then the AP needs to be powered by an external power source, or by a power injector.

The following sections describe uplink selection for different modes.

## Uplink Selection for Local/Flex Mode

Use the following command on AP side to check the uplink port when AP joins the controller:

```
#show controllers nss status
CAPWAP Configuration:
| ID:34|TYPE:3|STATE:1|
| GATEWAY-MAC:00:59:DC:C2:08:81|AP-MAC:68:3B:78:98:63:A8|
| RADIO-BASE-MAC:DC:8C:37:35:C4:A0|PMTU:1485|
| WLC-IP:8.5.0.2|AP-IP:8.5.0.187|WLC-PORT:5247|AP-PORT:5248|
| DEST-PORT:1
| PROTO:0|TTL:250|FLBL:0|DTLS-ID:65535|
| VLAN-ID:0|OPT:0x0000000C|UQOSP:0|MQOSP:0|CSUM:1|
| L4RXBITS: 0|L4TXBITS: 0|L4HASHPROF: 0|
```

In the CLI output, “DEST-PORT:0” means the AP is using PoE-in port as capwap uplink port. “DEST-PORT:1” means the AP is using SFP port as capwap uplink port.

## Uplink Selection for Bridge/Flex+Bridge Mode

When the PoE-IN interface is used as uplink port, the SFP interface should be kept unconnected. But for RAP Ethernet Daisy Chain, both POE-IN and SFP port should be connected.

If Root AP joined WLC on radio, when the wired interface become available, it will switch back to the wired interface. If Mesh AP joined WLC on radio, it will not try wired interface any more.

Use the following command on AP side to check the uplink for bridge or Flex+bridge mode:

```
#show mesh adj parent
AdjInfo: Wired Backhaul: 0
 [F4:DB:E6:6B:74:2C]
Mesh Wired Adjacency Info
Flags: Parent(P), Child(C), Reachable(R), CapwapUp(W), BlackListed(B) Authenticated(A)
Address Cost RawCost BlistCount Flags: P C R W B A Reject reason
F4:DB:E6:6B:74:2C 16 16 0 T/F: T F T T F T -

```

In the CLI output, “Wired Backhaul: 0” means the AP is using PoE-in port as uplink port. “Wired Backhaul: 1” means the AP is using SFP port as uplink port.

## Configuring Ethernet LAN Ports

By default, the IW6300 and ESW6300 access point LAN port admin status is enabled. When you disable a LAN port, the PoE-OUT function of the LAN port will be turned off automatically. When you re-enable the LAN port, the PoE state will not be up until you turn on the PoE function manually.

When the LAN port is disabled, you cannot enable the LAN PoE function, which means you can only enable the PoE-OUT function of the LAN port when the port admin is in enabled state.

Supported AP mode:

- Local
- FlexConnect
- Bridge
- FlexBridge

Supported controller software release:

- IOS XE 17.4.1 and later

The following table shows the mapping of LAN-Port-ID and PoE-OUT port between controller and AP:

| LAN-Port-ID | PoE-OUT Port |
|-------------|--------------|
| 1           | PoE-OUT 1    |
| 2           | PoE-OUT 2    |

## LAN Port Status Configuration from CLI

To enable the AP LAN port admin from the controller, use the following command:

```
ap name <Cisco_AP_Name> lan port-id <LAN-Port-ID> enable
```

To disable the AP LAN port admin from the controller, use the following command:

```
ap name <Cisco_AP_Name> lan port-id <LAN-Port-ID> disable
```

To enable the PoE-OUT status after enabling the LAN port admin, use the following command:

```
ap name <Cisco_AP_Name> lan port-id <LAN-Port-ID> poe enable
```

To disable the PoE-OUT status after enabling the LAN port admin, use the following command:

```
ap name <Cisco_AP_Name> lan port-id <LAN-Port-ID> poe disable
```

## LAN Port Status Configuration from GUI

To disable the LAN port admin from the controller GUI, choose the access point from **Configuration -> Wireless -> Access Points**. On the **Interfaces** tab, in the LAN Port Settings section, uncheck the **Status** checkbox of the LAN port. The PoE status of the LAN port will be disabled after the LAN port admin status is disabled.

The screenshot shows the Cisco GUI configuration interface. On the left, the 'All Access Points' list shows 'IW-6300-AP1' selected, with a red box around it and an arrow labeled 'Step1' pointing to the selection. The main panel is titled 'Edit AP' and has the 'Interfaces' tab selected, with an arrow labeled 'Step2' pointing to the 'Radio Interfaces' section. Below this, the 'LAN Port Settings' section is visible, with a red box around the 'LAN1' and 'LAN2' rows. The 'Status' checkbox for 'LAN1' is unchecked, and an arrow points to it with the text 'PoE status will be disabled once port admin status disabled'. The 'PoE' column for 'LAN1' is 'NA' and for 'LAN2' is 'ENABLED'. The 'Power Level' column for both is 'NA'. The 'RLAN' column has a refresh icon for both.

To enable LAN port admin from the controller GUI, choose the access point from **Configuration -> Wireless -> Access Points**. On the **Interfaces** tab, in the LAN Port Settings section, check the **Status** checkbox of the LAN port. The PoE status of the LAN port will not be enabled after the LAN port admin status is enabled.

Configuration > Wireless > Access Points

All Access Points

Number of AP(s): 3

| AP Name  | AP Model          | Slots | Admin Status | IP Address      | Base Radio MAC | AP Mode |
|----------|-------------------|-------|--------------|-----------------|----------------|---------|
| ewlc-ap1 | ESW-6300-CON-B-K9 | 2     | ✓            | 100.100.211.160 | 10b3.d634.9840 | Local   |
| ewlc-ap2 | C9115AXI-H        | 2     | ⊗            | 100.100.211.164 | cc7f.7558.cfd0 | Local   |
| ewlc-ap3 | AR-AP1562E-B-K9   | 2     | ⊗            | 100.100.211.162 | 8f0f.6f49.1900 | Local   |

5 GHz Radios

2.4 GHz Radios

Dual-Band Radios

Country

LSC Provision

Edit AP

General Interfaces High Availability Inventory iCap Advanced Support Bundle

Radio Interfaces

| Slot No | Interface         | Band | Admin Status | Operation Status | Spectrum Admin Status | Spectrum Operation Status | Regulatory Domain |
|---------|-------------------|------|--------------|------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|
| 0       | 802.11n - 2.4 GHz | All  | Disabled     | ✗                | Enabled               | ⊕                         | -A                |
| 1       | 802.11ac          | All  | Enabled      | ⊕                | Enabled               | ⊕                         | -B                |

Power Over Ethernet Settings

Power Type/Mode: DC/Full Power

PoE Pre-Standard Switch: Disabled

PoE Power Injector MAC Address: Disabled

Link Aggregation (LAG)

LAG Support for AP: No

USB Settings

USB Module Type: USB Module

USB Operational State: Disabled

USB Module State: **ENABLED**

USB Override: **DISABLED**

LAN Port Settings

| Port ID | Status | VLAN ID | PoE                      | Power Level | RLAN |
|---------|--------|---------|--------------------------|-------------|------|
| LAN1    | ⊕      | 0       | <input type="checkbox"/> | 4           | ⊗    |
| LAN2    | ⊕      | 0       | <input type="checkbox"/> | 4           | ⊗    |

POE will not be enabled when lan port admin state enabled from disabled status

To enable the LAN port PoE status from the controller GUI, choose the access point from **Configuration -> Wireless -> Access Points**. On the **Interfaces** tab, in the LAN Port Settings section, check the **PoE** checkbox of the LAN port.

Configuration > Wireless > Access Points

All Access Points

Number of AP(s): 3

| AP Name  | AP Model          | Slots | Admin Status | IP Address      | Base Radio MAC | AP Mode |
|----------|-------------------|-------|--------------|-----------------|----------------|---------|
| ewlc-ap1 | ESW-6300-CON-B-K9 | 2     | ✓            | 100.100.211.160 | 10b3.d634.9840 | Local   |

5 GHz Radios

2.4 GHz Radios

Dual-Band Radios

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General Interfaces High Availability Inventory iCap Advanced Support Bundle

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LAG Support for AP: No

USB Settings

USB Module Type: USB Module

USB Operational State: Disabled

USB Module State: **ENABLED**

USB Override: **DISABLED**

LAN Port Settings

| Port ID | Status | VLAN ID | PoE                                 | Power Level | RLAN |
|---------|--------|---------|-------------------------------------|-------------|------|
| LAN1    | ⊕      | 0       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 4           | ⊗    |
| LAN2    | ⊕      | 0       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 4           | ⊗    |

Enable PoE again

Update & Apply to Device

## Checking LAN Port Status from Controller and AP

To check the LAN port status from the controller, use the **show ap name <ap-name> lan port summary** command.

```
eWLC#show ap name IW-6300-AP1 lan port summary
```

```
LAN Port status for AP IW-6300-AP1
```

```
Port ID status vlanId poe power-level RLAN
```

```

LAN1 Disabled 0 Disabled NA Disabled
LAN2 Enabled 0 Enabled NA Disabled
eWLC#show ap name IW-6300-AP1 lan port summary
LAN Port status for AP IW-6300-AP1
Port ID status vlanId poe power-level RLAN

LAN1 Enabled 0 Disabled NA Disabled
LAN2 Enabled 0 Enabled NA Disabled
eWLC#show ap name IW-6300-AP1 lan port summary
LAN Port status for AP IW-6300-AP1
Port ID status vlanId poe power-level RLAN

LAN1 Enabled 0 Enabled 4 Disabled
LAN2 Enabled 0 Enabled NA Disabled

```

To check the LAN port status from the AP, use the **show configuration rlan** command.

```

IW-6300-AP1#show configuration rlan
RLAN Configuration:

RLAN interface config: _lan_port_num = 2
 _num_of_wan_ports = 2
 ap_admin_state: 1 (1-ENABLED, 2- DISABLED)
 _intf_cfg.adminState: 1 (1-ENABLED, 2- DISABLED)
 _intf_cfg.configState: 2 (1-DOWN, 2- UP)
 _intf_cfg.operationalState : 2 (1-DOWN, 2-UP)
 Override: 0
 LanFastSwitching: Disabled
 Base_MAC: DC:8C:37:35:AF:20
===== end of config =====

PORT[1] <----PoE Out 1
 port_admin_state: 1 <----check port admin status
 rlanId: 0
 poeEnable: 1 <----check port PoE status
 lan_port_enabled: 0
 client_count: 0
 client_mac: 00:00:00:00:00:00

PORT[2] <----PoE Out 2
 port_admin_state: 1
 rlanId: 0
 poeEnable: 1
 lan_port_enabled: 0
 client_count: 0
 client_mac: 00:00:00:00:00:00

PORT[3]
 port_admin_state: 0
 rlanId: 0
 poeEnable: 0
 lan_port_enabled: 0
 client_count: 0
 client_mac: 00:00:00:00:00:00

PORT[4]
 port_admin_state: 0
 rlanId: 0
 poeEnable: 0
 lan_port_enabled: 0
 client_count: 0
 client_mac: 00:00:00:00:00:00
===== end of stats =====

```

## Configuring PoE Out Function

The IW6300 and ESW6300 access points support PoE output functionality. There are two Ethernet LAN ports capable of supplying PoE power. The total available PoE power is 35.3W when the input power source is DC, DCW, or AC. The PoE output will be disabled when PoE (IEEE 802.3at, UPoE) or power injector is the power source.

By default, the PoE out function is enabled. You can enable or disable PoE out function per AP group or per AP by CLI options. During the AP reboot procedure, power manager reads local PoE configuration file to turn on or turn off power, so that AP can provide power before joining WLC.



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**Note** CDP/LLDP is not supported on PoE out ports. APs supply power based on hardware classification and power level configuration.

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The following table shows the mapping between power level and power capacity.

**Table 1: Power Level and Power Capacity Mapping**

| Power Level | Max PoE Class | Max Power from PSE | Usage    |
|-------------|---------------|--------------------|----------|
| None        | 4             | 30W                | Default  |
| 1           | 1             | 4W                 | Optional |
| 2           | 2             | 7W                 | Optional |
| 3           | 0/3           | 15.4W              | Optional |
| 4           | 4             | 30W                | Optional |

The following table shows the definition for class of PoE.

**Table 2: IEEE Power Classifications**

| Class                    | Maximum power delivered by PSE                 |
|--------------------------|------------------------------------------------|
| 0 (class status unknown) | 15.4W                                          |
| 1                        | 4W                                             |
| 2                        | 7W                                             |
| 3                        | 15.4W                                          |
| 4                        | 30 W (For IEEE 802.3at Type 2 powered devices) |

The following table shows the access point POE out port power allocation. Power manager holds 35.3 Watts when power source is AC, DC, or DCW.



**Table 3: PoE-Out Port Power Allocation**

|                                    | PoE Port 1      | PoE Port 2      |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| PSE: 35.3W<br>(including 4.5W USB) | Disconnected    | Class 0/1/2/3/4 |
|                                    | Class 1         | Class 0/1/2/3/4 |
|                                    | Class 2         | Class 0/1/2/3   |
|                                    | Class 0/3       | Class 0/1/2/3   |
|                                    | Class 4         | Class 1         |
|                                    | Class 0/1/2/3/4 | Disconnected    |



**Note** USB interface will share the power with PoE-out port with AC or DC power source. When USB is disabled, PSE can use the USB port power (4.5W). For more information, see [USB Support, on page 20](#).



**Note** PoE Out is not supported on WGB mode.



**Note** For DC SKU, if you want to output 802.3at type 2 PoE out power, DC input must  $\geq 51V$ . If you want to output 802.3af (802.3at type 1) PoE out power, DC input must  $\geq 45V$ .

## Configuration From AireOS WLC CLI

Use the following commands to configure the PSE function:

### Global (AP Group Scope)

```
(Cisco Controller) >config wlan apgroup port lan [1|2] iw6300-1 [enable|disable]
(Cisco Controller) >config wlan apgroup port lan [1|2] iw6300-1 poe [enable|disable]
(Cisco Controller) >config wlan apgroup port lan [1|2] iw6300-1 power-level [1|2|3|4]
(Cisco Controller) >config ap group-name iw6300-1 AP6CB.D383.B404
```

### Override (AP Specific Scope)

```
(Cisco Controller) >config ap lan over-ride [enable|disable] AP6C8B.D383.B404
(Cisco Controller) >config ap lan port-id [1|2] [enable|disable] AP6C8B.D383.B404
(Cisco Controller) >config ap lan port-id [1|2] poe [enable|disable] AP6C8B.D383.B404
(Cisco Controller) >config ap lan port-id [1|2] power-level [1|2|3|4] AP6C8B.D383.B404
```

Use the following commands to check the status:

## From WLC

```
(Cisco Controller) >show wlan apgroups
Total Number of AP Groups..... 1
Site Name..... default-group
Site Description..... <none>
Lan Port configs

```

```
LAN Status POE Power Level RLAN

```

```
1 Disabled Disabled None None
2 Disabled Disabled None None
3 Disabled None
4 Disabled Disabled None
```

```
(Cisco Controller) >show ap lan 1 <AP-Name>
LAN Port configuration for AP <AP-Name>
Lan Override Enabled
Port Status PoE Power-Level

LAN1 DISABLED DISABLED 1
```

```
(Cisco Controller)>show ap lan port-summary AP6C8B.D383.B404
LAN Port configuration for AP AP6C8B.D383.B404
Lan Override Enabled
Port Status POE Power Level

LAN1 ENABLED ENABLED 3
LAN2 ENABLED ENABLED 2
```

## From AP

```
ap >show power status
Device ID: 0xc4, Firmware Reversion:0x40, Bus:3, Address:0x24
Operating Mode: Semiauto
Available: 35.3(w) Used:15.4(w) Remaining:19.9(w)
Interface Admin Oper Power Class Max Config Power

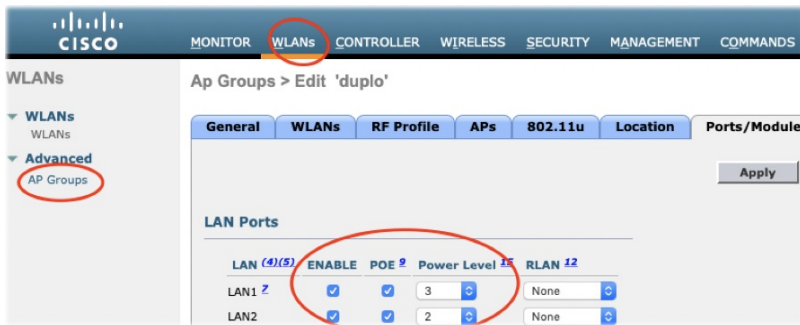
POE-out 1 Up ON 8.1 30.0 15.4
POE-out 2 Up OFF 0.0 0.0 30.0
```

## Configuration From AireOS WLC GUI

### Global (AP group)

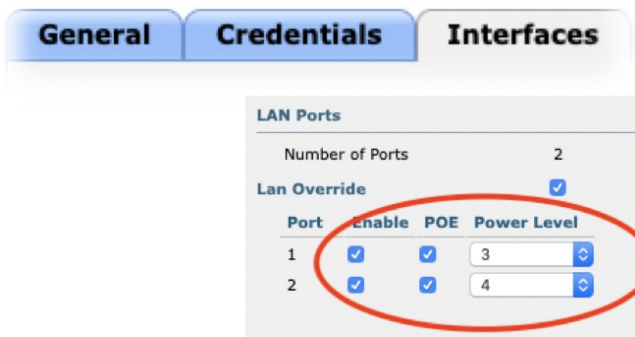
WLANs -> Advanced -> AP Groups -> specific AP group -> Ports/Module -> LAN Ports

Add AP to ap group



## AP Override

Wireless -> Access Points -> specific AP -> Interfaces -> LAN Override/PoE/Power Level



## Configuration From IOS-XE WLC CLI

### Global (AP Group Scope)

```
#ap name APbadb.ade7.dd1e lan port-id 1 enable
#ap name APbadb.ade7.dd1e lan port-id 2 enable
(config)#ap remote-lan profile-name duplo_pse_profile 1
(config-remote-lan)#no shut
(config-remote-lan)#end
(config)#ap remote-lan-policy policy-name duplo_pse_policy
(config-remote-lan-policy)#poe
(config-remote-lan-policy)#power-level [1|2|3|4]
(config-remote-lan-policy)#no shut
(config-remote-lan-policy)#end
(config)#wireless tag policy duplo_pse_tag
(config-policy-tag)#remote-lan duplo_pse_profile policy duplo_pse_policy port-id 1
(config)#ap APbadb.ade7.dd1e
(config-ap-tag)#policy-tag duplo_pse_tag
```

### Override (AP Specific Scope)

```
ap name APBADB.ADE7.DD1E lan port-id [1|2] [enable|disable]
ap name APBADB.ADE7.DD1E lan port-id [1|2] poe [enable|disable]
ap name APBADB.ADE7.DD1E lan port-id [1|2] power-level [1|2|3|4]
```

Use the following command to check the status:

```
eWLC#show ap name APBADB.ADE7.DD1E lan port summary
LAN Port status for AP APBADB.ADE7.DD1E
Port ID status vlanId poe power-level RLAN

LAN1 Enabled 0 Enabled 3 Disabled
LAN2 Enabled 0 Enabled 2 Disabled
```

## Configuration From IOS-XE WLC GUI

To configure PSE function, go to **Configuration >Wireless >Access Points >specific AP >interfaces >LAN Port Settings**, then select the following:

- Status: Port admin status (enable/disable)
- PoE: PoE function status (enable/disable)
- Power Level: level 1 - 4 (4w, 7w, 15.4w, 30w)

## USB Support

The IW6300 and ESW6300 access points are equipped with one external type A USB 3.0 host port. It is backward compatible with USB 2.0, and capable of supplying a maximum of 4.5W (900mA, 5V) output.



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**Note** The USB configuration on ESW6300 is officially supported from Cisco IOS-XE Release 17.1.1t. The USB configuration on IW-6300H is officially supported from Cisco IOS-XE Release 17.4.1 and 17.3.3, and AireOS Release 8.10.151.0.

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## USB Overview

By default, the USB configuration is set to ENABLED, which means a brand new ESW6300 or IW-6300H turns on USB port by default, and an ESW6300 or IW-6300H that has been performed factory reset turns on USB port by default.

The USB port can supply power output only when the USB port is enabled and the power source is AC/DC/UPoE and 60W power injector. If the power budget is not enough to power on the connected device, an error message "Not enough power resource" will be displayed.



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**Note** When the power injector (for example, AIR-PWRINJ-60RGD) is connected as power source, it takes about 90 seconds to turn on the USB device, as the access point need to wait for timeout of CDP negotiation.

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## Managing the USB Port

This section describes the configurations on AireOS WLC and IOS-XE to manage the USB port.

### Configuration on AireOS WLC

- To enable or disable the USB port on all APs belonging to a specific AP group, use the following command:

```
config wlan apgroup port usb-module ap-group-name {enable|disable}
```

You can also configure the USB port from AireOS GUI: WLANs → Advanced → AP Groups → specific AP group → Ports/Module → USB Module, add AP to AP group

To verify the configuration use the following command:

```
(Cisco Controller) >show wlan apgroups
[snip]
USB Module configs

USB Module Status..... Enabled
```

- To enable or disable the USB port, overriding the AP group setting:

```
config ap usb-module over-ride {enable|disable} ap-name
```

When the overriding command is enabled, to enable or disable the USB port on a specific AP, use the following command:

```
config ap usb-module {enable|disable} ap-name
```

You can also configure the USB port from GUI: Wireless → Access Points → specific AP → Advanced → Override / USB Module Status

To verify the configuration use the following command:

```
(Cisco Controller) >show ap config general AP6C8B.D383.B404
External Module:
USB Module Type..... USB Module
USB Module Status..... Disabled
USB Module Operational State..... Not Detected
```

## Configuration on IOS-XE

- To apply default AP profile to AP and enable or disable the USB port, use the following commands:

```
eWLC(config)#ap profile default-ap-profile
eWLC(config-ap-profile)#[no] usb-enable
```

- To enable or disable the USB port, overriding the AP group setting:

```
eWLC#ap name ap-name [no] usb-module override
eWLC#ap name ap-name [no] usb-module
```

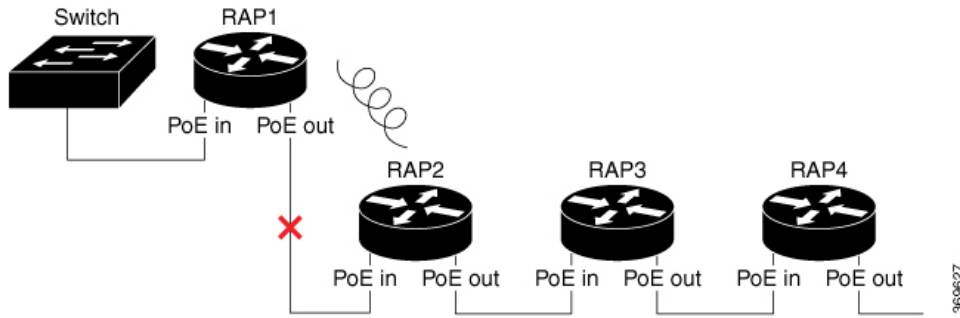
- To verify the configuration use the following command:

```
eWLC#show ap name APBADB.ADE7.DD1E config general | inc USB
USB Module Type : USB Module
USB Module State : Enabled
USB Operational State : Disabled
USB Override : Enabled
```

## RAP Ethernet Daisy Chain

In a daisy chain topology as shown in the following figure, if the link between RAP1 and RAP2 is broken, or RAP1 loses CAPWAP connectivity to the controller or switch, RAP2 will change its backhaul to wireless link. The Ethernet interfaces of RAP2 will be blocked and no child mesh AP will be allowed. Then, RAP3 and RAP4 will lose connection if they are far away from RAP1.

**Figure 1: Ethernet Daisy Chain Topology**

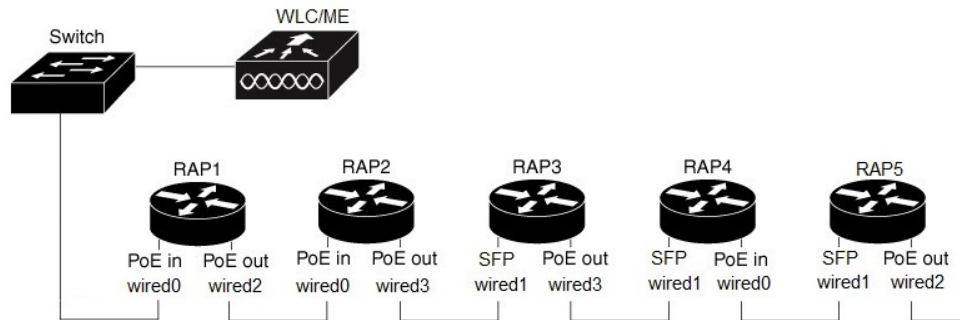


For the access point joining over wireless backhaul, it stays on wireless backhaul for 15 minutes and comes back to scan state every 15 minutes, until it finds a wired backhaul and joins the controller.

The RAP Ethernet Daisy Chain feature enhances the existing Ethernet bridging functionality by introducing a new command to configure strict wired uplink on each access point. It forces the bridge AP to stick to the Ethernet link, and block the selecting of wireless link for uplink backhaul. Even the Ethernet link failure happens, the access point will never select a parent over wireless backhaul.

The following figure shows an example of RAP Ethernet Daisy Chain topology. Standalone power source (AC, DC, or power injector) is provided to each RAP.

**Figure 2: RAP Ethernet Daisy Chain Topology**



When strict-wired-uplink is enabled, if RAP1 loses CAPWAP connection or the mesh function is broken, but the physical link between RAP1 and the switch is still connected, all RAPs behind RAP1 in the chain will not lose uplink and CAPWAP connection. Traffic can be forwarded as usual. However, all the remaining RAPs in the chain will lose CAPWAP connection if the physical link between RAP1 and the switch is broken, or RAP1 is restarted.

## Configuration Guidelines

The following table shows the port mapping between panel label and software configuration CLI.

**Table 4: Port Mapping**

| Panel Label | SW Interface |
|-------------|--------------|
| POE IN      | wired 0      |
| SFP         | wired 1      |

| Panel Label | SW Interface |
|-------------|--------------|
| POE OUT 1   | wired 2      |
| POE OUT 2   | wired 3      |

Follow these guidelines when you configure this feature:

- All APs in daisy chain should be operating in Bridge or Flex+Bridge mode with Root AP role.
- PoE-IN (wired0) and SFP (wired1) port can be used as uplink port, but PoE-OUT (wired2 and wired3) cannot be used as uplink port. PoE-IN (wired0) port and PoE-OUT(wired2 and wired3) ports can be used as downlink port.
- SFP (wired1) port cannot be used as downlink. When PoE-IN (wired0) is used as uplink, SFP (wired1) port should be disconnected. When SFP (wired1) port is used as uplink, you can use GLC-T to connect to other AP's Ethernet port.
- Ethernet bridging on all RAPs in the chain should be enabled and secondary Ethernet interfaces needs to be configured according to the mesh deployment guidelines.
- VLAN transparency should be disabled on all daisy-chained RAPs.
- The RAPs in Ethernet Daisy Chain can accept MAP association and wireless client association.
- Strict wired uplink must be enabled to prevent RAP in daisy chain from switching to wireless backhaul when the wired uplink path fails, so that the RAP can recover quickly when the uplink wired path is recovered.
- All the traffic will go through RAP1 which is a bottleneck and the total network throughput is limited. There should be around 10% bandwidth reserved for CAPWAP management traffic in high traffic load case.




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**Note** After the configuration, the AP may be in MAP role. It is required to prime all AP to RAP role before connecting all of them with the wired connection. Otherwise there may be loop issues if MAP uses wireless backhaul to connect to the other AP.

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The following are two deployment options.

## Option 1

### Procedure

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- Step 1** Connect the mesh AP to WLC through wired connection.
  - Step 2** Prime all APs to RAP role on the daisy chain topology.
  - Step 3** Configure **config ap bridging enable** <Cisco\_AP> to enable Ethernet bridging. This command allows the next AP to connect on its Secondary Ethernet interface.
  - Step 4** Configure **config ap strict-wired-uplink enable** <Cisco\_AP> to enable the feature. At this time, the AP can only connect to WLC through a wired connection.
  - Step 5** Connect all APs using wired RAP daisy chain topology.
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## Option 2

### Procedure

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- Step 1** Connect all the APs using wired RAP daisy chain topology. Make sure all APs are powered off.
  - Step 2** Power on the first AP which is closest to the switch or WLC. Make sure it can connect to WLC through a wired connection.
  - Step 3** Set the AP role to RAP.
  - Step 4** Configure **config ap bridging enable** <Cisco\_AP> to enable Ethernet bridging. This command allows the next AP to connect on its Secondary Ethernet interface.
  - Step 5** Configure **config ap strict-wired-uplink enable** <Cisco\_AP> to enable the feature. At this time, the AP can only connect to WLC through a wired connection.
  - Step 6** Power on the AP which is next to the previous AP.
  - Step 7** Repeat Step3 to Step 5.
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## Mesh Configuration From AireOS WLC or ME Controller

Follow these steps to configure from WLC or ME controller:

### Procedure

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- Step 1** Configure AP to bridge or Flex+Bridge mode if AireOS WLC is used. For ME controller, only Flex+Bridge mode is supported.

**Example:**

```
(WLC) > config ap mode bridge <Cisco AP>
(WLC) > config ap mode flex+bridge submode none <Cisco AP>
```

- Step 2** Configure AP role to rootAP.

**Example:**

```
(WLC) > config ap role rootAP <Cisco AP>
```

- Step 3** Enable Ethernet bridging.

**Example:**

```
(WLC) > config ap bridging enable <Cisco AP>
```

- Step 4** Configure access mode or trunk mode for the RAP Ethernet secondary port PoE-OUT1 and PoE-OUT2. POE-IN port also can be used as secondary port if SFP port acts as uplink port.

- a) Access mode configuration

**Example:**



```
(WLC) > config ap ethernet [2|3] mode access enable <AP name>
```

- b) Trunk mode configuration, vlan support must be enabled in advance and disable vlan transparent

**Example:**

```
(WLC) > config mesh ethernet-bridging vlan-transparent disable
(WLC) > config ap vlan-trunking enable <Cisco AP>
(WLC) > config ap vlan-trunking native <Vlan-ID> <Cisco AP>
(WLC) > config ap ethernet [2|3] mode trunk enable <Cisco AP> native-vlan <Vlan-ID>
(WLC) > config ap ethernet [2|3] mode trunk add <Cisco AP> <Vlan-ID>
```

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## Configuring Strict Wired Uplink

Use the following command to enabled or disable strict wired uplink on a specific AP. Mesh function will restart after this configuration.

```
(Cisco Controller) > config ap strict-wired-uplink {enable|disable} <Cisco_AP>
enable Enables Strict Wired Uplink on the Cisco AP.
disable Disables Strict Wired Uplink on the Cisco AP.
```

## Verifying the Configuration

Use the following command to check the status of strict-wired-uplink:

```
(WLC) >show ap config general <Cisco_AP>
AP Mode Bridge
AP Role RootAP
Ethernet Bridging Enabled
Strict Wired Uplink Enabled
AP Vlan Trunking Enabled
AP Native Vlan ID: 120
```

Use the following command to display the feature status for all bridge RAP:

```
(WLC) >show mesh strict-wired-uplink summary
AP Name AP Model BVI MAC Role Bridge Group Name Strict Wired Uplink

duplo-ap2 ESW-6300-CON-B-K9 6c:8b:d3:83:b4:04 RAP default Disable
duplo-ap1 ESW-6300-CON-B-K9 6c:8b:d3:83:b4:68 RAP default Enable
Number of Mesh RAP Strict Wired Uplink Set..... 1
```

Use the following command to check RAP Ethernet status:

```
(WLC) >show mesh env summary
AP Name Temperature (C/F) TempState Heater Battery Orientation Ethernet

duplo-ap1 50/122 GREEN OFF N/A N/A UpUpUpUp <-- (Note: interface order:
wired0, wired1, wired2, wired3)
duplo-ap2 72/161 GREEN OFF N/A N/A UpUpUpDn
```

Use the following command to check Ethernet interface Vlan configuration:

```
(WLC) >show ap config ethernet summary
Vlan Tagging Information For AP duplo-ap1
Ethernet 0
Mode: ACCESS
Access Vlan 0
Ethernet 1
Mode: ACCESS
Access Vlan 0
Ethernet 2
Mode: TRUNK
Native Vlan 120
Allowed Vlans:
Ethernet 3
Mode: ACCESS
Access Vlan 0
```

Use the following AP commands to check RAP status on the AP:

```
duplo-ap1#show mesh config
AP Specific Configuration:
AP Role: Root AP
Backhaul Mode: 802.11a
Internal DHCP Running Status: Disabled
Strict Wired Uplink: Enabled
Ethernet Bridging: Enabled

duplo-ap1#show mesh forwarding all
Vlan config
Static Secondary Ethernet VLAN Configuration :
Active Ethernet Interface: wired2
Port Secondary Mode: TRUNK
Port Secondary Native Vlan: 120
Allowed Vlan:
Static Transparent Mode For All Secondary Ethernet Ports: Disabled
Static Ap Native Vlan: 120
Running Ap Native Vlan: 120
Running Secondary Ethernet VLAN Configuration :
Active Ethernet Interface: wired2
Port Mode: TRUNK
Port Native Vlan: 120
Allowed Vlan:
Running Transparent Mode : Disabled

duplo-ap1#show mesh backhaul
Wired Backhaul: 0 [6C:8B:D3:83:B4:68] <-----POE-IN Port
idx Cost Uplink InterfaceType
0 Invalid FALSE WIRED
Mesh Wired Adjacency Info
Flags: Parent(P), Child(C), Reachable(R), CapwapUp(W), BlackListed(B) Authenticated(A)
Address Cost RawCost BlistCount Flags: P C R W B A Reject reason
6C:8B:D3:83:B4:68 16 16 0 T/F: F F F F F F Filtered

Wired Backhaul: 1 [6C:8B:D3:83:B4:68] <-----SFP Port
idx Cost Uplink InterfaceType
1 16 TRUE WIRED
Mesh Wired Adjacency Info
Flags: Parent(P), Child(C), Reachable(R), CapwapUp(W), BlackListed(B) Authenticated(A)
Address Cost RawCost BlistCount Flags: P C R W B A Reject reason
6C:8B:D3:83:B4:68 16 16 0 T/F: T F T T F T -
```

```

Radio Backhaul: 0 [6C:8B:D3:D5:31:31]
idx State Role RadioState Cost Uplink Downlink Access ShutDown ChildrenAllowed InterfaceType
2 INITIAL ACCESS UP Invalid FALSE FALSE TRUE FALSE FALSE RADIO
No Radio Adjacency Exists

Radio Backhaul: 1 [6C:8B:D3:D5:31:31]
idx State Role RadioState Cost Uplink Downlink Access ShutDown ChildrenAllowed InterfaceType
3 MAINT DOWNLINK UP Invalid FALSE TRUE FALSE FALSE TRUE RADIO
No Radio Adjacency Exists

```

## Mesh Configuration From IOS-XE WLC Controller

Configure access mode or trunk mode for the RAP ethernet secondary port PoE-OUT1 and PoE-OUT2.

- Access mode configuration

```
#ap name a mesh ethernet 2 mode access <Vlan-ID>
```

- Trunk mode configuration, vlan support must be enabled in advance and disable vln transparent

```
#ap name <Cisco AP> mesh vlan-trunking
#ap name <Cisco AP> mesh vlan-trunking native <Vlan-ID>
#ap name <Cisco AP> mesh ethernet 2/3 mode trunk vlan native <Vlan-ID>
#ap name <Cisco AP> mesh ethernet 2/3 mode trunk allowed <Vlan-ID>
```

- The configuration of ssid-broadcast-persist has the same function with strict wired uplink in AireOS controller. To enable ssid-broadcast-persist:

```
#configure terminal
(config)#ap profile rap-ssid-join-profile
(config-ap-profile)#ssid broadcast persistent
Enabling persistent SSID broadcast will cause associated APs to rejoin.
Are you sure you want to continue? (y/n) [y]: y
(config-ap-profile)#end
#show ap profile name rap-ssid-join-profile detailed | in SSID
Persistent SSID Broadcast : ENABLED
```

- To disable ssid-broadcast-persist:

```
#config terminal
(config)#ap profile rap-ssid-join-profile
(config-ap-profile)#no ssid broadcast persistent
Disabling persistent SSID broadcast will cause associated APs to rejoin.
Are you sure you want to continue? (y/n) [y]: y
(config-ap-profile)#end
#show ap profile name rap-ssid-join-profile detailed | in SSID
Persistent SSID Broadcast : DISABLED
```

## Checking ssid-broadcast-persist Status From IOS-XE WLC Controller




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**Note** Configuring and showing status of ssid-broadcast-persist are only supported by CLI, and not supported on GUI.

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- Use the following command to check if ssid-broadcast-profile is enabled or disabled:

```
#show ap profile name ssid-ap-profile detailed
Persistent SSID Broadcast : ENABLEDDHCP server : DISABLED

Persistent SSID Broadcast : DISABLEDDHCP server : DISABLED
```

- Use the following command to associate AP profile to a site tag and then to a specific AP:

```
#config terminal
(config)#wireless tag site ssid-policy-tag
(config-site-tag)#ap-profile rap-ssid-join-profile
Changing ap profile mapping may result in the rejoin of AP's associated to the Site tag
(config-site-tag)#end
#config terminal
(config)#ap 6c8b.d383.b468
(config-ap-tag)#site-tag rap-ssid-site-tag
Associating site-tag will cause associated AP to reconnect
(config-ap-tag)#end
```

## RAP Ethernet Daisy Chain Redundancy for STP Ring Topology

In the mesh Ethernet daisy chain deployment where the daisy chain is extended to a long range to connect a series of root access points (RAPs) via Ethernet ports, if there is a failure in the middle of the daisy chain, either a RAP node failure or a cabling failure, the traffic will be lost from the failure point throughout to the end of the daisy chain. This section describes the redundant RAP Ethernet daisy chain with STP ring topology, which is supported from AireOS Release 8.10 MR2.

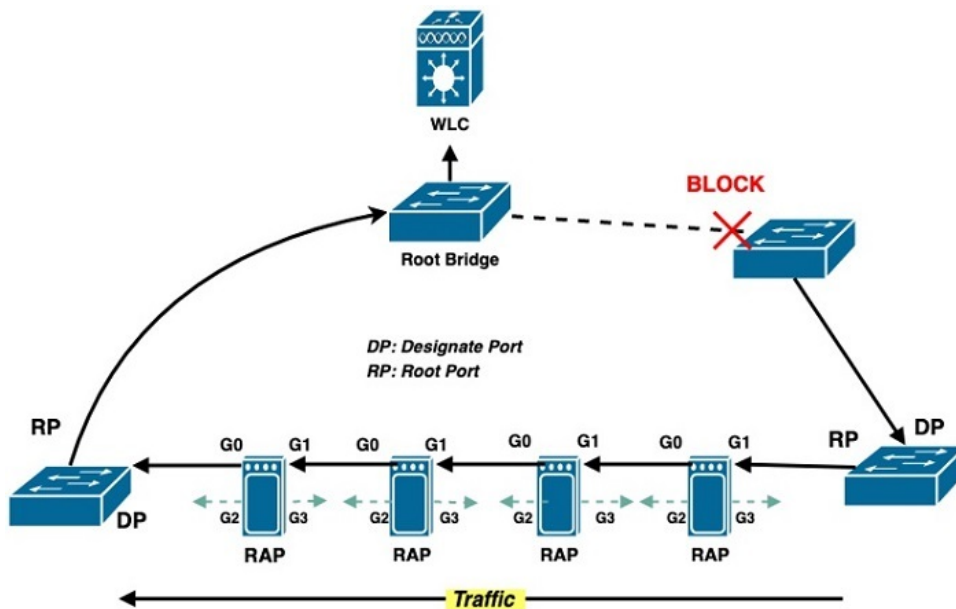


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**Note** This feature is supported on IOS-XE WLC controller from Release 17.3.1. For detailed information about configuration on IOS-XE controller, see [https://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/td/docs/wireless/controller/9800/17-9/config-guide/b\\_wl\\_17\\_9\\_cg/m-redundant-rap.html](https://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/td/docs/wireless/controller/9800/17-9/config-guide/b_wl_17_9_cg/m-redundant-rap.html).

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As shown in the following figure, the IW6300H access point has four Ethernet GE ports, but only G0 and G1 can be used as uplink backhaul and will be used to form the ring topology.



When the STP redundancy feature is disabled, the default RAP root port will be set to G1. When the RAP STP redundancy is enabled, if the ring breaks somewhere inside or outside of the daisy chain, the traffic will flow via both ends of the chain. [Ring Topology Case Analysis, on page 30](#) shows the cases where ring breaks in different locations of the daisy chain.

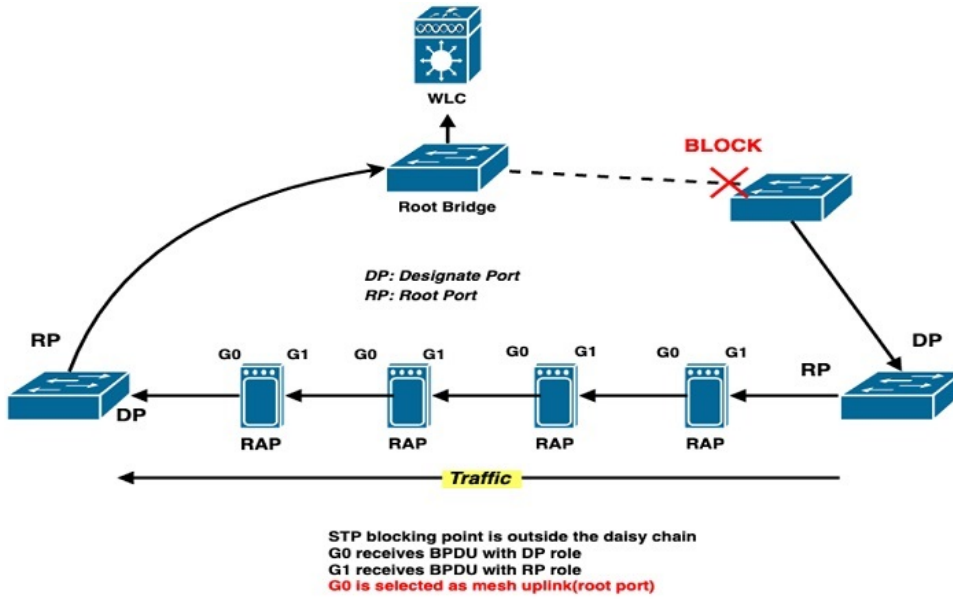
When the RAP STP redundancy is enabled, the mesh RAPs will transparently relay STP BPDUs between G0 and G1, snoop the STP BPDUs and determine which WAN port (G0 or G1) will be the active port as backhaul uplink, and switch to new Ethernet backhaul uplink if root port change is detected from STP snooping. The port which receives BPDU with DP role will be the mesh root port (uplink) for the RAP.

### Configuration Guidelines

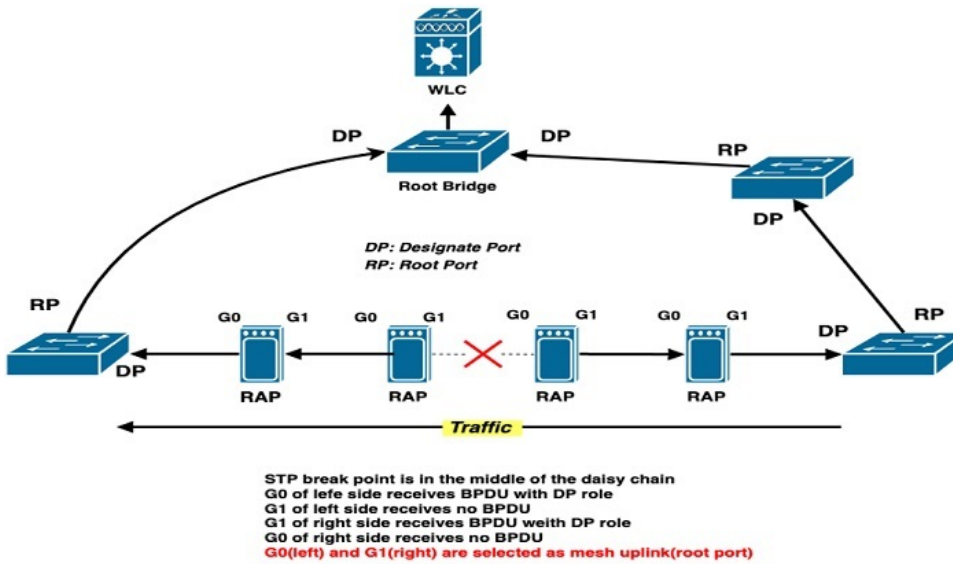
- Bridge mode and Flex+Bridge mode access points are supported.
- Ethernet bridging and strict-wired-uplink should be enabled on the AP.
- Both ends of the Ethernet daisy chain must be within the STP ring topology.
- STP traffic is only relayed and snooped in the daisy chain RAPs while the switches in the ring take STP actions (for example, port blocking).
- Only POE-IN (wired0) and SFP (wired1) port can be used as STP upstream/downstream port. (For the port mapping between panel label and CLI configuration, see the Port Mapping table in [Configuration Guidelines, on page 22](#).)
- Supported STP protocols: IEEE 802.1w RSTP, Cisco RPVST+, and IEEE 802.1s MSTP.
- When RPVST+ is used, there will be per-VLAN STP instance. The snooping will happen on native VLAN (that is, the VLAN which carries CAPWAP traffic).
- When MSTP is used, it is required that only ONE MST instance exists alongside the daisy chain.
- Only AC, DC, and power injector power supply can be used in RAPs.
- It is recommended that you connect each RAP's G0 port with neighbor RAP's G1 port in the daisy chain using GLT-C. (When this feature is disabled, RAP will always use G1 (SFP) port to join WLC. Such kind of connection will align all RAPs to join WLC.)

## Ring Topology Case Analysis

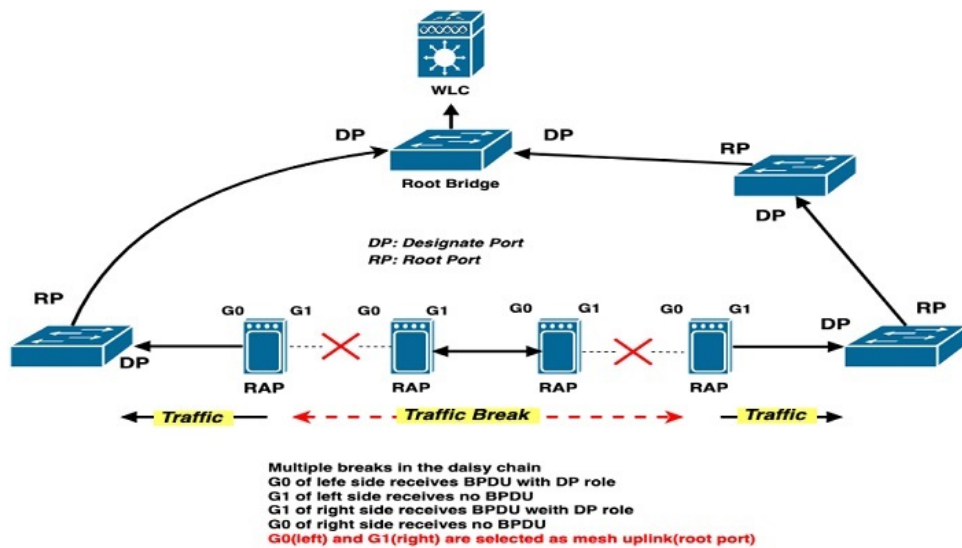
- Ring broken/blocking outside of the daisy chain.



- Ring broken inside the daisy chain.



- Multiple broken points inside the daisy chain.



## STP Configuration on Switch

### Sample configuration for Cisco RPVST+

- Create VLANs on the switch. In the following example, vlan 200 is native vlan and carry out capwap traffic, vlan 201 and 202 are vlans for data traffic.

```
ring-sw2#show vlan brief
VLAN Name Status Ports

1 default active Gi0/2, Gi0/3, Gi0/6
200 VLAN0200 active
201 VLAN0201 active
202 VLAN0202 active
```

- Configure the port which is connected to the access point SFP port.

```
interface GigabitEthernet0/4
description *to-duplo-p2-1-sfp*
switchport trunk allowed vlan 200-202
switchport trunk native vlan 200
load-interval 30
```

- Configure STP.

```
spanning-tree mode rapid-pvst
spanning-tree extend system-id
spanning-tree vlan 200 priority 24576
spanning-tree vlan 201-202 priority 28672
```

### Sample configuration for IEEE MSTP

```
spanning-tree mode mst
spanning-tree extend system-id
!
spanning-tree mst configuration
name rap-stp-red-test
revision 1
instance 1 vlan 200-202
```

You can use the following show commands to check the STP configuration:

```
show spanning-tree [summary|detail|root]
show spanning-tree [interface|vlan]
show spanning-tree mst
```

## Mesh Configuration for AireOS/ME Controller

To enable or disable the Ethernet redundancy feature, use the following command:

```
config ap daisychain-stp-redundancy {enable|disable} <Cisco AP>
```

To display the status of the Ethernet daisy chain redundancy status, use the following show commands:

```
show ap config ethernet summary
show mesh ethernet daisy-chain stp-redundancy summary
show mesh ethernet daisy-chain status all
```

To display the AP status in the chain, use the following command:

```
(WLC) >show mesh ethernet daisy-chain status [bridgegroupname|all]
```

The RAP STP redundancy is based on Ethernet bridging and strict wired uplink function. The following configuration should be enabled in advance.

- Add AP Ethernet MAC address into controller.

```
(WLC) > config macfilter add <Mac Addr> 0
```

- Configure AP to bridge or FlexBridge mode if AireOS controller is used. ME controller only supports FlexBridge after AP has already been registered to controller.

```
(WLC) > config ap mode bridge <Cisco AP>
```

```
(WLC) > config ap mode flex+bridge submode none <Cisco AP>
```

- Configure AP role to root AP.

```
(WLC) > config ap role rootAP <Cisco AP>
```

- Enable the Ethernet bridging function.

```
(WLC) > config ap bridging enable <Cisco AP>
```

- Enable strict-wired-uplink

```
(WLC) > config ap strict-wired-uplink enable <Cisco AP>
```

- Enable daisychain-stp-redundancy

```
(WLC) > config ap daisychain-stp-redundancy enable <Cisco AP>
```

## RAP STP Redundancy VLAN Configurations

Trunk mode is recommended for POE-IN and SFP ports which should be configured first.

- Global mesh trunk configuration

```
(WLC) > config mesh ethernet-bridging vlan-transparent disable
```

```
(WLC) > config ap vlan-trunking enable <Cisco AP>
```

```
(WLC) > config ap vlan-trunking native <Vlan-ID> <Cisco AP>
```

- Trunk config for stp redundancy uplink ports (wired0<-->POE-IN; wired1<-->SFP)

```
(WLC) > config ap ethernet [0|1] mode trunk enable <Cisco AP> native-vlan <Vlan-ID>
```

```
(WLC) > config ap ethernet [0|1] mode trunk add <Cisco AP> <Vlan-ID>
```



For RAP Ethernet secondary port POE OUT1 and POE OUT2, either access mode or trunk mode can be configured based on your requirement.

- Access mode configuration

```
(WLC) > config ap ethernet [2|3] mode access enable <AP name>
```

- Trunk mode configuration. Vlan support must be enabled in advance and vlan transparent should be disabled.

```
(WLC) >config ap ethernet [2|3] mode trunk enable <Cisco AP> native-vlan <Vlan-ID>
```

```
(WLC) >config ap ethernet [2|3] mode trunk add <Cisco AP> <Vlan-ID>
```

## Check Status from AireOS/ME controller

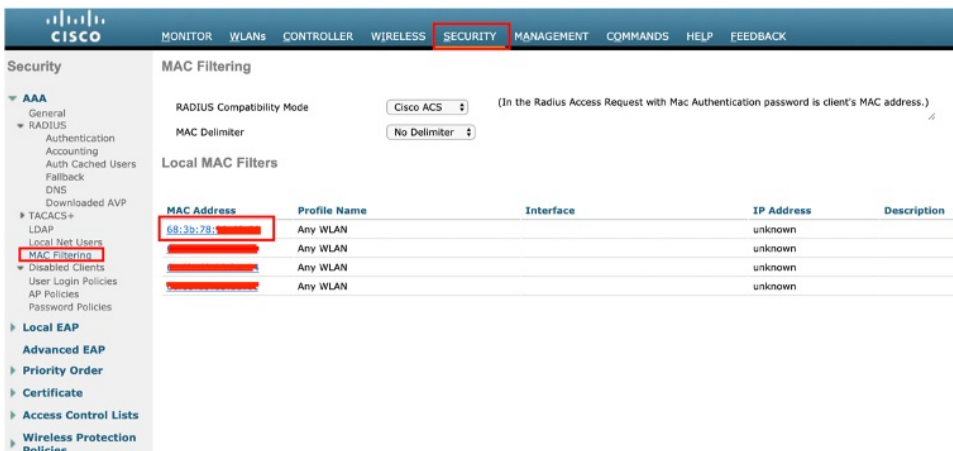
Use the following command to check if the access point Ethernet MAC address is added successfully:

```
(WLC) >show macfilter summary
```

```
MAC Filter RADIUS Compatibility mode..... Cisco ACS
MAC Filter Delimiter..... None
MAC Filter Entries..... 1
```

Local Mac Filter Table

| MAC Address       | WLAN Id | IP Addr | Description |
|-------------------|---------|---------|-------------|
| 68:3b:78:xx:xx:xx | Any     | unknown |             |



Use the following commands to check the RAP stp-redundancy status:

- From the mesh side:

```
(WLC) >show mesh ethernet daisy-chain stp-redundancy summary
```

| AP Name                                      | AP Model         | BVI MAC           | Role | Bridge Group Name | STP Redundancy State |
|----------------------------------------------|------------------|-------------------|------|-------------------|----------------------|
| RAP-2                                        | IW-6300H-DC-B-K9 | 6c:8b:d3:xx:xx:xx | RAP  | default           | Enable               |
| RAP-1                                        | IW-6300H-AC-B-K9 | 68:3b:78:xx:xx:xx | RAP  | default           | Disable              |
| Number of Mesh RAP Stp-Redundancy Set..... 1 |                  |                   |      |                   |                      |

- From the AP side:

```
(WLC) >show ap config general RAP-1
```

```
...
AP Mode Bridge
AP Role RootAP
```

```

Ethernet Bridging Enabled
Strict Wired Uplink Enabled
Daisychain Stp Redundancy Enabled
AP Vlan Trunking Enabled
...

```

Use the following command to check the Ethernet interface VLAN configuration:

```

(WLC) >show ap config ethernet RAP-1
Vlan Tagging Information For AP RAP-1
Ethernet 0 <<< POE IN port
 Mode: TRUNK
 Native Vlan 200
 Allowed Vlans: 201 202
Ethernet 1 <<< SFP port
 Mode: TRUNK
 Native Vlan 200
 Allowed Vlans: 201 202
Ethernet 2 <<< POE OUT1 port
 Mode: ACCESS
 Access Vlan 0
Ethernet 3 <<< POE OUT2 port
 Mode: ACCESS
 Access Vlan 0

```

Use the following command to check the interface status:

```
(Ring-WLC-3504) >show mesh ethernet daisy-chain status all
```

| AP Name | BVI MAC           | Bridge Group Name | Backhaul  | Ethernet | STP Red |
|---------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------|----------|---------|
| RAP-1   | 68:3b:78:xx:xx:xx | default           | Ethernet0 | UpUpUpUp | Enable  |
| RAP-2   | 6c:8b:d3:xx:xx:xx | default           | Ethernet0 | UpUpUpDn | Enable  |

```
Number of Ethernet daisy chain RAP..... 2
```

In above output, the Ethernet status UpUpUpUp/UpUpUpDn refers to POE IN, SFP, POE OUT1, and POE OUT2 port.

The screenshot shows the Cisco WLC GUI for 'All APs > Details for RAP-1'. The 'Mesh' tab is selected. Key settings include:
 

- AP Role: RootAP
- Ethernet Bridging:
- VLAN Support:
- Native VLAN ID: 200

 Below these settings is a table for 'Ethernet Bridging':
 

| Interface Name   | Oper Status | Mode   | Vlan ID |
|------------------|-------------|--------|---------|
| GigabitEthernet0 | Up          | Trunk  | 200     |
| GigabitEthernet1 | Up          | Trunk  | 200     |
| GigabitEthernet2 | Up          | Access | 0       |
| GigabitEthernet3 | Up          | Access | 0       |

 Red arrows point to GigabitEthernet0 (POE-IN), GigabitEthernet1 (POE-OUT1), and GigabitEthernet2 (POE-OUT2).



**Note** Configuring and showing status of strict-wired-uplink and stp-redundancy are only supported by CLI, and not supported on GUI.

Check Daisy chain AP topology and Backhaul on WLC.

It is recommended that AP name in topology is configure in alphabetical order, so that the following CLI output result will reflect the actual AP topology, and the current backhaul interface is also displayed,

```
|---(wired0) Duplo_01(wired1) -----(wired0) Duplo_02(wired1)------(wired0)Duplo_03(wired1)---|
|------(BLK)Switch(FWD)-----|
```

```
(WLC) >show mesh ethernet daisy-chain status all
AP Name EVI MAC Bridge Group Name Backhaul Ethernet STP Red

Duplo_01 6c:8b:d3:83:b3:cc Qia_38 Ethernet1 UpUpDnDn Enable
Duplo_02 6c:8b:d3:83:b4:44 Qia_38 Ethernet1 UpUpDnDn Enable
Duplo_03 6c:8b:d3:83:b3:dc Qia_38 Ethernet1 UpUpDnDn Enable
Number of Ethernet daisy chain RAP..... 3
```

If multiple Ethernet daisy chains are managed by WLC, the RAPs in same chain can be configured with an identical bridge group name, and the AP status can be displayed based on bridge group name.

```
(WLC) >show mesh ethernet daisy-chain status <bridgegroupname>
```

## RAP Configuration

To enable or disable STP redundancy from the AP side, use the following command:

```
RAP-1#capwap ap mesh stp redundancy
 disable disable STP redundancy
 enable enable STP redundanc
```

Use the **show mesh status** command to check the STP redundancy status.

- If STP redundancy is enabled, label StpRoot(S)=T will be displayed in the output of the **show mesh status** command as shown in the following example:

```
RAP-1#show mesh status
Mesh Status: Enabled
Running as: Root AP
AP is in: Connected Mode
Gateway is: REACHABLE
GW Wait Done: No GW Wait Count: 0
Uplink information:
Wired Backhaul: 0 [68:3B:78:98:63:F4]
idx Cost Uplink InterfaceType
0 17 TRUE WIRED
Mesh Wired Adjacency Info
Flags: Parent(P), Child(C), Reachable(R), CapwapUp(W), BlackListed(B) Authenticated(A) StpRoot(S)
Address Cost RawCost BlistCount Flags: P C R W B A S Reject reason
68:3B:78:98:63:F4 16 16 0 T/F: T F T T F T T -
```

```

Last known channel: 0
Last known uplink: 0
Last state pending retries: 0
```

```
IPV4 uplink Gateway stats:
 gw_ip interval(ms) state retries tx_count rx_count mtu
100.100.200.254 1000 alive 10 13189 13089 1500
.....
```

- If STP redundancy is disabled, the StpRoot(S) label will not be showing in the output of the **show mesh status** command:

```
RAP-1#show mesh status
Mesh Status: Enabled
Running as: Root AP
AP is in: Connected Mode
Gateway is: REACHABLE
GW Wait Done: No GW Wait Count: 0
Uplink information:
Wired Backhaul: 1 [68:3B:78:98:63:F4]
idx Cost Uplink InterfaceType
1 16 TRUE WIRED
Mesh Wired Adjacency Info
Flags: Parent(P), Child(C), Reachable(R), CapwapUp(W), BlackListed(B) Authenticated(A)
Address Cost RawCost BlistCount Flags: P C R W B A S Reject reason
68:3B:78:98:63:F4 16 16 0 T/F: T F T T F T T -
```

```

Last known channel: 0
Last known uplink: 1
Last state pending retries: 0
```

Use the **show mesh stp redundancy** command to check the STP redundancy status:

```

RAP-1#show mesh stp redundancy
::Daisychain STP Redundancy Info::

Redundant Port 1: wired0
Redundant Port 2: wired1
STP packets relayed from Port 2 to Port 1: 6
STP packets relayed from Port 1 to Port 2: 3864
STP packets dropped from non-WAN ports: 0
Redundant Root Port(active uplink): wired0
STP Root Bridge: 00:9A:D2:11:B5:00

```

Use the following command to check the mesh Ethernet interface status:

```

RAP-1#show mesh ethernet vlan config running
Running ethernet VLAN Configuration
Ethernet Interface: 0
Interface Mode: TRUNK
Native Vlan: 200
Allowed Vlan: 201, 202, 200,
Ethernet Interface: 1
Interface Mode: TRUNK
Native Vlan: 200
Allowed Vlan: 201, 202,
Ethernet Interface: 2
Interface Mode: ACCESS
Native Vlan: 200
Allowed Vlan:
Ethernet Interface: 3
Interface Mode: ACCESS
Native Vlan: 200
Allowed Vlan:

```

Use the following command to check STP root status. In the output, StpRoot(S)=T means this port is selected as uplink port. In this example, the POE-IN port is the uplink port.

```

RAP-1#show mesh backhaul
Wired Backhaul: 0 [68:3B:xx:xx:xx] <<<POE-IN port
idx Cost Uplink InterfaceType
0 17 TRUE WIRED
Mesh Wired Adjacency Info
Flags: Parent(P), Child(C), Reachable(R), CapwapUp(W), BlackListed(B) Authenticated(A) StpRoot(S)
Address Cost RawCost BlistCount Flags: P C R W B A S Reject reason
68:3B:78:98:63:F4 16 16 0 T/F: T F T T F T T -

Wired Backhaul: 1 [68:3B:xx:xx:xx] <<<SFP port
idx Cost Uplink InterfaceType
1 Invalid FALSE WIRED
Mesh Wired Adjacency Info
Flags: Parent(P), Child(C), Reachable(R), CapwapUp(W), BlackListed(B) Authenticated(A) StpRoot(S)
Address Cost RawCost BlistCount Flags: P C R W B A S Reject reason
68:3B:78:98:63:F4 16 16 0 T/F: F F T F F T F -

Radio Backhaul: 0 [DC:8C:37:35:xx:xx]
idx State Role RadioState Cost Uplink Downlink Access ShutDown ChildrenAllowed BlockChildState
InterfaceType
2 INITIAL ACCESS UP Invalid FALSE FALSE TRUE FALSE FALSE ALLOWED RADIO
No Radio Adjacency Exists

Radio Backhaul: 1 [DC:8C:37:xx:xx:xx]
idx State Role RadioState Cost Uplink Downlink Access ShutDown ChildrenAllowed BlockChildState
InterfaceType
3 MAINT DOWNLINK UP Invalid FALSE TRUE FALSE FALSE TRUE ALLOWED RADIO

```

No Radio Adjacency Exists

## Debug RAP STP Redundancy

- To enable STP Redundancy debug, use the following command:

```
RAP1#debug mesh stp redundancy
```

The debug output displays information as shown in the following figures:

```
[*02/11/2021 15:51:49.4898] chatter: STP-RED: process packet 0 ==> 1 (vlan: 201)
[*02/11/2021 15:51:49.4898] chatter: STP-RED: RSTP/RPVST+ 0==>1 means rap is transferring BPDU from wired0 to wired1
[*02/11/2021 15:51:49.4898] chatter: STP-RED: flag 3c
[*02/11/2021 15:51:49.4899] chatter: STP-RED: process packet 0 ==> 1 (vlan: 202)
[*02/11/2021 15:51:49.4899] chatter: STP-RED: RSTP/RPVST+ STP Protocol check by RAP
[*02/11/2021 15:51:49.4899] chatter: STP-RED: flag 3c
[*02/11/2021 15:51:51.2074] chatter: STP-RED: process packet 1 ==> 0 (vlan: 0)
[*02/11/2021 15:51:51.2074] chatter: STP-RED: RSTP/RPVST+ 1==>0 means rap is transferring BPDU pkt from wired1 to wired0
[*02/11/2021 15:51:51.2074] chatter: STP-RED: flag 3c
[*02/11/2021 15:51:51.2074] chatter: STP-RED: snooping
```

```
[*02/26/2020 05:58:20.3971] chatter: STP-RED: snooping
[*02/26/2020 05:58:22.4033] chatter: STP-RED: process packet 0 ==> 1 (vlan: 0)
[*02/26/2020 05:58:22.4033] chatter: STP-RED: MST protocol: mstp
[*02/26/2020 05:58:22.4034] chatter: STP-RED: flag 7c
[*02/26/2020 05:58:22.4034] chatter: STP-RED: MSTI flag 7c
[*02/26/2020 05:58:22.4034] chatter: STP-RED: snooping
[*02/26/2020 05:58:24.4062] chatter: STP-RED: process packet 0 ==> 1 (vlan: 0)
[*02/26/2020 05:58:24.4062] chatter: STP-RED: MST
[*02/26/2020 05:58:24.4062] chatter: STP-RED: flag 7c
[*02/26/2020 05:58:24.4063] chatter: STP-RED: MSTI flag 7c
[*02/26/2020 05:58:24.4063] chatter: STP-RED: snooping
```

- To disable STP Redundancy debug, use the following command:

```
RAP1#no debug mesh stp redundancy
```

## AP Provisioning

There are two ways to provision the APs for the RAP Ethernet Daisy Chain Topology. The first option is to setup mesh AP one by one and then loop them in a ring. The second option is to loop all RAPs in a ring first, and then setup the APs one by one. The first option is recommended as it is much more reliable than the second one.

For detailed configuration steps, refer to the following two sections and choose one to setup your topology.

### Option 1

#### Procedure

- Step 1** Connect the mesh AP to WLC through wired connection.
- Step 2** Prime all APs to RAP role on the daisy chain topology.
- Step 3** Configure **config ap bridging enable** <Cisco\_AP> to enable Ethernet bridging. This command allows the next AP to connect on its secondary Ethernet interface.
- Step 4** Configure **config ap strict-wired-uplink enable** <Cisco\_AP> to enable strict-wired-uplink. At this time, the AP can only connect to WLC through a wired connection.
- Step 5** Configure **config ap daisychain-stp-redundancy enable** <Cisco\_AP> to enable this feature. RAP will reselect uplink port and register to WLC through a wired connection.

**Step 6** Connect all APs as a ring topology.

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## Option 2

### Procedure

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- Step 1** Connect all the APs using wired RAP daisy chain topology. Make sure all APs are powered off.
  - Step 2** Power on the first AP which is closest to the switch or WLC. Make sure it can connect to WLC through a wired connection.
  - Step 3** Set the AP role to RAP.
  - Step 4** Configure **config ap bridging enable** <Cisco\_AP> to enable Ethernet bridging. This command allows the next AP to connect on its secondary Ethernet interface.
  - Step 5** Configure **config ap strict-wired-uplink enable** <Cisco\_AP> to enable strict-wired-uplink. At this time, the AP can only connect to WLC through a wired connection.
  - Step 6** Configure **config ap daisychain-stp-redundancy enable** <Cisco\_AP> to enable this feature. RAP will reselect uplink port and register to WLC through a wired connection.
  - Step 7** Power on the AP which is next to the previous AP.
  - Step 8** Repeat Step 3 to Step 6.
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## Printing RFID at AP Level

Cisco IOS XE Release 17.4 introduced a debug command on IW6300 and ESW6300 AP to print Radio-Frequency Identification (RFID) at the AP level. This function is supported by Cisco Catalyst 9800 Series Wireless Controllers.



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**Note** The IW6300 and ESW6300 access points only support to the CCX v1 compatible tag RFID.

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**Note** The Aeroscout RFID tags have been tested and verified.

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## Debug Command on AP

Use the **debug client dump rfid** command to enable RFID tag packet tracing.

```
AP#debug client dump rfid
[*08/31/2020 16:13:02.1375] Time:137514us Dir:Rx Rate:1 Rssi:-29 Ch:1 Fc:308 Dur:0 01:40:96:00:00:03
00:0c:cc:13:d1:10 11:25:28:00:00:4e Seq:34b(843) Info:RFID Retry:0 Len:75 Typesub:20
[*08/31/2020 16:13:02.1375] 0000 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 08 00 45 00
[*08/31/2020 16:13:02.1375] 0010 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 11 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
[*08/31/2020 16:13:02.1375] 0020 00 00 13 88 15 b3 00 53 00 00 e3 a1 00 33 00 33
[*08/31/2020 16:13:02.1376] 0030 00 00 5f 4d 21 8d 00 02 34 e8 02 01 42 00 08 03
[*08/31/2020 16:13:02.1376] 0040 00 00 01 40 96 00 00 03 00 0c cc 13 d1 10 11 25
[*08/31/2020 16:13:02.1377] 0050 28 00 00 4e b0 34 00 13 01 06 02 00 02 00 33 02
[*08/31/2020 16:13:02.1377] 0060 07 42 04 a0 00 00 00 59 04 07 00 0c cc 00 00 0e
```

[\*08/31/2020 16:13:02.1378] 0070 00 00 00 00 00

The following table provides the descriptions of the values displayed in the above output:

|         |                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|---------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Time    | Time since the capture was started.                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Dir     | Direction in which packet was processed by the AP. Rx refers to an inbound packet from a wireless client, Tx refers to packet transmitted by the AP.                                                         |
| Rate    | Data rate at which the packet was sent by client.                                                                                                                                                            |
| RSSI    | Signal strength value of the packet received.                                                                                                                                                                |
| Ch      | Channel on which the packet was transmitted.                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Fc      | Frame control field.                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Dur     | Duration field.                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| MAC 1   | Receiver address.                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| MAC 2   | Transmitter address.                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| MAC 3   | Destination address.                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Seq     | Sequence number of the packet.                                                                                                                                                                               |
| Info    | Explanation of what the packet is.                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Retry   | Retry bit set to "1" in either a management frame or a data frame, the Tx radio is indicating that the frame being sent is a "retransmission." Retry bit 0 indicates that it is not a retransmission packet. |
| Len     | Length of the packet.                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Typesub | Provides the type and subtype of the packet. The first digit provides the frame type (2 in the above example) and the second digit (0 in the above example) provides the subtype.                            |

Use the **no debug client dump** command to disable RFID tag packet tracing.

```
AP#no debug client dump
```

Use the **show debug** command to check if the RFID tag tracing is enabled or not. The following example shows an output of RFID tag tracing enabled. The CCX Multicast address 01:40:96:00:00:03 is defined in the Receiver field of 802.11 header and used to identify the CCX RFID tag packet.

```
AP#show debug
Client Trace Status : Started
Client Trace ALL Clients : enable
Client Trace Address : none
Remote/Dump Client Trace Address : 01:40:96:00:00:03
Client Trace Filter : rfid
Client Trace Output : eventbuf
Client Trace Output : dump
Dump packet length : 0
Client Trace Inline Monitor : disable
Client Trace Inline Monitor pkt-attach : disable
```





**Note** This debug command will be covered by other debug commands. You should enable other debug commands before enabling this command, if multiple debug outputs are needed.

## Checking RFID on WLC CLI

Use the following command to check RFID from WLC CLI:

```
eWLC#show wireless rfid summary
Total RFID entries: : 3
Total Unique RFID entries : 3
RFID ID VENDOR Closest AP RSSI Time Since Last Heard
000c.cc13.d110 Aeroscout AP2C33.110E.776C -32 4 minutes 7 seconds ago
000c.cc15.4a95 Aeroscout AP2C33.110E.776C -23 10 minutes 24 seconds ago
000c.cc79.2471 Aeroscout AP2C33.110E.776C -27 4 minutes 32 seconds ago
```

## Checking RFID on WLC GUI

To check RFID from WLC GUI:

Monitoring > Wireless > RFID

| <input type="checkbox"/> | RFID MAC       | Vendor    | Heard Sec Ago  | Closest AP/Associated AP | RSSI (dBm) | Channel | Packets Received | Bytes Received |
|--------------------------|----------------|-----------|----------------|--------------------------|------------|---------|------------------|----------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 000c.cc13.d110 | aeroscout | 6 mins 47 secs | AP6C8B.D383.B480         | -28        | 6       | 1155             | 27             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 000c.cc15.4a95 | aeroscout | 1 min 34 secs  | AP6C8B.D383.B480         | -33        | 1       | 438              | 36             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 000c.cc79.2471 | aeroscout | 7 secs         | AP6C8B.D383.B480         | -33        | 1       | 20               | 27             |

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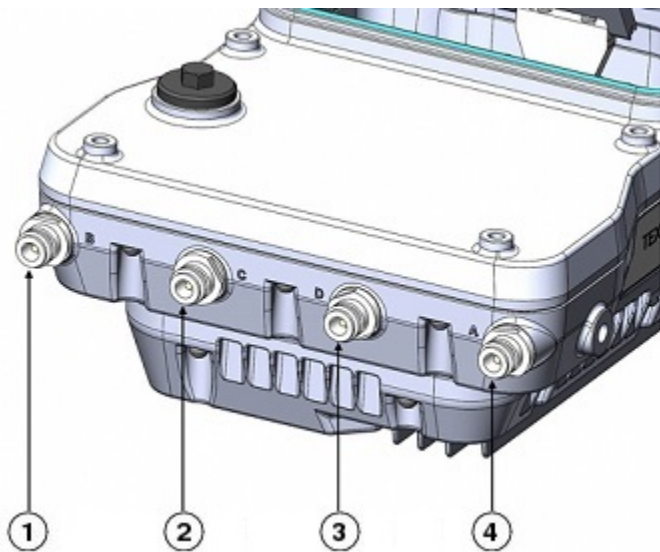
## Configuring Flexible Antenna Port

The IW-6300H access point antenna connectors are located on the top of each model (see [Figure 3: Antenna Ports of IW-6300H Access Points, on page 42](#)). The flexible antenna port can be configured via software to support dual band or single band antennas.

When configured for dual band mode, antenna ports A and B are used to support multiple input/output (MIMO) operation on both 2.4 and 5 GHz radios.

When configured for single band mode, antenna ports A and B support MIMO operation on the 2.4 GHz radio and antenna ports C and D support MIMO operation on the 5 GHz radio.

Figure 3: Antenna Ports of IW-6300H Access Points



|   |                                                         |   |                                                         |
|---|---------------------------------------------------------|---|---------------------------------------------------------|
| 1 | Antenna port B - Type N connector Wi-Fi 2.4/5 GHz TX/RX | 3 | Antenna port D - Type N connector Wi-Fi 5 GHz TX/RX     |
| 2 | Antenna port C - Type N connector Wi-Fi 5 GHz TX/RX     | 4 | Antenna port A - Type N connector Wi-Fi 2.4/5 GHz TX/RX |

## Configuration From IOS-XE WLC

The configuration of flexible antenna port is supported on IOS-XE WLC from Release 17.3.x. For detailed information, see [Cisco Catalyst 9800 Series Wireless Controller Software Configuration Guide, Cisco IOS XE Amsterdam 17.3.x](#).

## Configuration From AireOS WLC CLI

Use the following command to configure antenna band mode:

```
(Cisco Controller) >config ap antenna band-mode {single | dual} <AP_name >
```

The Antenna Band mode can be displayed by issuing the command:

```
(Cisco Controller) >show ap config {802.11a|b} <AP_name >
```

```
(Cisco Controller) >show ap config general <AP_name >
```

The output will contain many fields, one of which is the Antenna Band Mode as shown below:

```
Antenna Band Mode Dual
```

### Example

```
(wlc-3504) >config ap antenna band-mode single IW6300DCW
Changing the antenna band mode may strand mesh APs.
Are you sure you want to continue? (y/N)y
(wlc-3504) >show ap config 802.11a IW6300DCW
Cisco AP Identifier..... 14
```

```

Cisco AP Name..... IW6300DCW
Country code..... US - United States
Regulatory Domain allowed by Country..... 802.11bg:-AB 802.11a:-AB
Antenna Band Mode Dual
.....
(wlc-3504) >show ap config general IW6300DCW
Cisco AP Identifier..... 14
Cisco AP Name..... IW6300DCW
.....
Antenna Band Mode Single
.....

```

For dual band mode, choose only ANT-A/B for both 2.4G and 5G. For single band mode, choose ANT-A/B for 2.4G, and ANT-C/D for 5G. You can choose one antenna or two antennas in corresponding radio.

Use the following command to choose corresponding antenna:

```
config {802.11a|802.11b} 11nSupport antenna <AP_name > {A|B} {enable|disable}
```

### Example

```

(wlc-3504) >config 802.11a disable IW6300DCW
(wlc-3504) >config 802.11a 11nSupport antenna IW6300DCW B disable
(wlc-3504) >config 802.11a 11nSupport antenna IW6300DCW A enable
(wlc-3504) >config 802.11a enable IW6300DCW

```

## Checking Status from AP Side

Use the following command to check the status from AP side:

```

IW6300DCW#show capwap client config
AdminState : ADMIN_ENABLED(1)
Name : IW6300DCW
Slot 0 Config:
 Radio Type : RADIO_TYPE_80211bg
 Antenna Band Mode : Antenna Sector B
Slot 1 Config:
 Radio Type : RADIO_TYPE_80211a
 Antenna Band Mode : Antenna Sector B

```

In the output, Antenna Sector B means Dual Band mode, and Antenna Sector A means Single Band mode.

## Configuration From AireOS WLC GUI

To change the antenna band mode from WLC GUI, go to the **Wireless > Access Point > AP\_NAME > Advanced** tabs, and then select **Dual/Single**.

Wireless

- Access Points
  - All APs
  - Direct APs
  - Radios
    - 802.11a/n/ac/ax
    - 802.11b/g/n/ax
    - Dual-Band Radios
    - Global Configuration
- Advanced

All APs

Current Filter: None [Change Filter] [Clear Filter]

Number of APs: 2

| AP Name                  | IP Address(Ipv4/Ipv6) | AP Model          |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|
| <a href="#">IW6300CW</a> | 192.168.100.231       | IW-6300H-DCW-B-K9 |
| <a href="#">ESW6300</a>  | 192.168.100.230       | ESW-6300-CON-B-K9 |

All APs > Details for ESW6300

General | Credentials | Interfaces | High Availability | Inventory | **Advanced** | Intelligent Capture

Regulatory Domains: 802.11bg-A 802.11a-B

Country Code: US (United States)

Cisco Discovery Protocol:

AP Group Name: default-group

Statistics Timer: 0

Data Encryption:

Rogue Detection:

Telnet: Global Config

SSH: AP Specific

NSI Ports State: Global Config

TCP Adjust MSS (IPv4: 536 - 1363, IPv6: 1220 - 1331):

LED State:  Enable

LED Brightlevel: 8 (1-8)

LED Flash State:  0 (1-3600)seconds  Indefinite  Disable

Antenna Band Mode: Single  Dual

USB Module ID:  Override

USB Module Status:

USB Module Operational State: UP: Detected

Link Latency:  Enable Link Latency

AP Image Download:  Perform a primary image pre-download on this AP [Download Primary]  Perform a backup image pre-download on this AP [Download Backup]

Power Over Ethernet Settings: PoE Status: Full Power  Pre-standard 802.3af switches  Power Injector State:

AP Core Dump:  AP Core Dump Enabled

AP Retransmit Config Parameters: AP Retransmit Count: 5  AP Retransmit Interval: 3

VLAN Tagging:  VLAN Tagging Enabled

NTP Server Status: Status: Disabled

mDNS Configuration:  mDNS Snooping Enabled [VLAN List]

CHX Services: Services Sub-Services CHX Server Ip

A warning message will be displayed on a popup window: “A|B|C|D” corresponding to IW6300 Panel antenna port. Click OK to make the change.

To choose corresponding antenna from WLC GUI, go to **Wireless > Access Points > Radios > {802.11a/n/ac/ax | 802.11b/g/n/ax} > AP name > Configure**.

Wireless

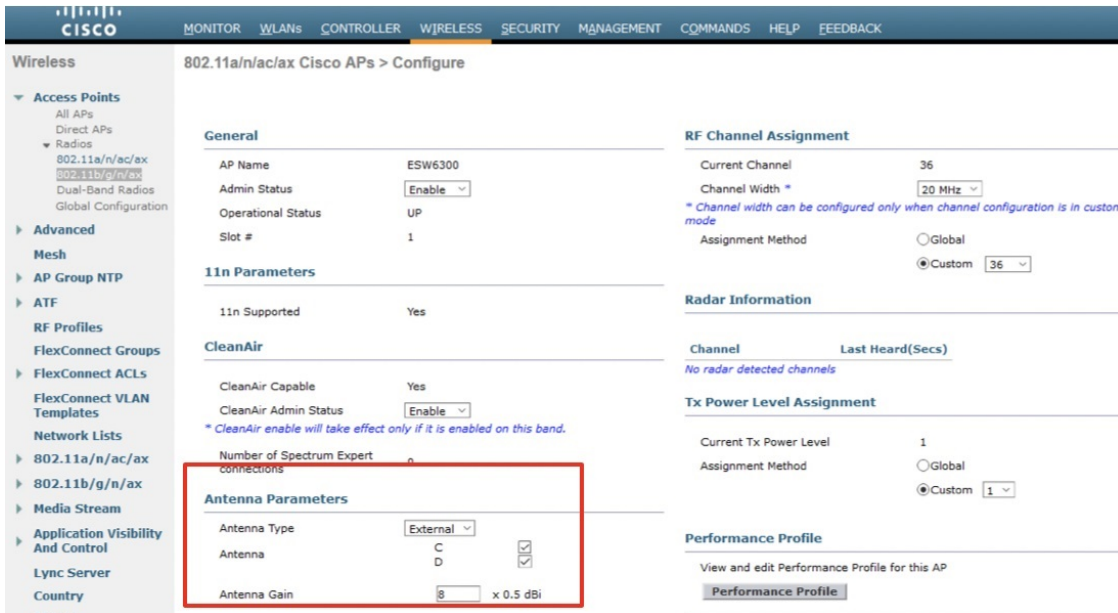
Access Points: 802.11a/n/ac/ax Radios

Current Filter: None [Change Filter] [Clear Filter]

| AP Name                  | Radio Slot | Base Radio MAC  | Sub Band | Admin Status | Operational Status | Channel | CleanAir/ST Admin Status | CleanAir/ST Oper Status | Mesh Radio Role | Radio Role             | Power Level |
|--------------------------|------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|--------------------|---------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|------------------------|-------------|
| <a href="#">IW6300CW</a> | 1          | 6c8b-d31d5-2e20 | -        | Enable       | UP                 | 36      | Enable                   | DOWN                    | NA              | Client Serving (Local) | 1           |
| <a href="#">ESW6300</a>  | 1          | 6c8b-d31d5-2e20 | -        | Enable       | UP                 | 36      | Enable                   | DOWN                    | NA              | Client Serving (Local) | 1           |

Antenna:  802.11a/n/ac/ax  802.11b/g/n/ax

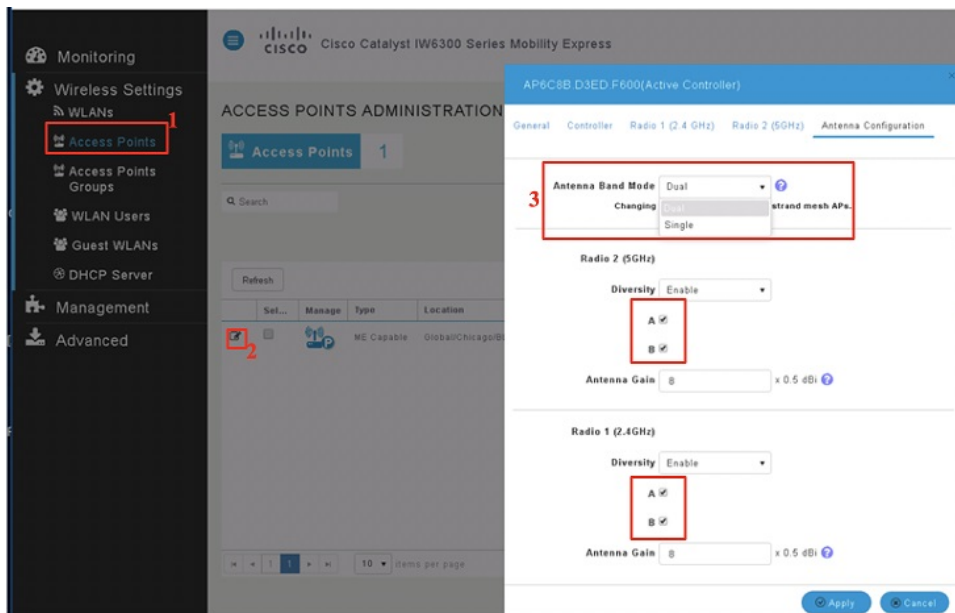
Go to the AP Radio Configure Tab and choose corresponding antenna.



## Configuration From AireOS ME GUI

To change the antenna band mode from ME GUI, go to **Wireless Settings > Access Points > click config bottom of AP >**, then select the Antenna Band mode **Single/Dual**.

To choose corresponding antenna from ME GUI, go to **Wireless Settings > Access Points > click config bottom of AP >**, then select Antenna A/B for Radio 1/2.



## IOx Configuration

IOx is Cisco's implementation of "Fog Computing". IOx enables hosting of applications and services developed by Cisco. The IOx application can be easily deployed by Cisco IOx fog director, its partners and third party developers in the network edge devices in a seamless fashion across diverse and disparate hardware platforms.

With IOx support, IoT partners can enable application and services on the IW6300 and ESW6300 access points.

IOx function is officially supported from Release 8.10. IOx is not supported to be deployed on AP with Mobility Express image. IOx feature can be configured from AireOS Controller and AP side, but not supported on IOS-XE WLC.

## Computing Resource on AP

### Applications quantity:

Recommend to deploy only one APP.

### CPU:

IOx applications could consume 25% of total CPU resource(50% of CPU0). IOx apps will not impact AP normal data forwarding.

### Memory:

Maximum 200MB

### Disk:

Maximum 32MB

## IOx Configuration on AireOS Controller (WLC/ME)



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**Note** IOx can be configured by AireOS Controller while AP is in non-default ap-group.

For ME deployment, you need to disable **Efficient Join** from ME GUI → Management → Software Update → Efficient Join, to avoid capwap AP upgrading to ME image.

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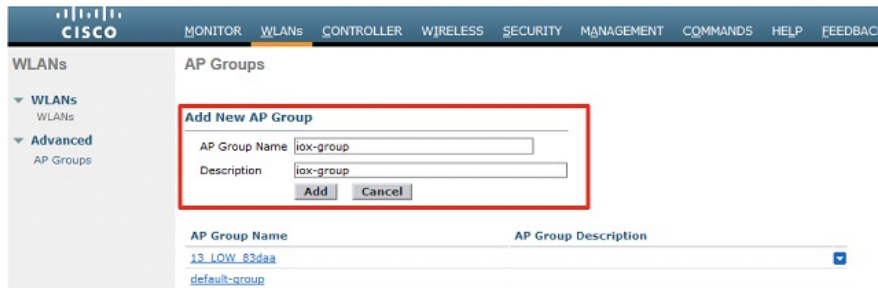
Follow these steps to configure IOx on AireOS controller:

### Procedure

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**Step 1** Configure AP to apgroup from GUI or CLI.

- Configuration From GUI
  - a. To add a new AP group, choose **WLANs** -> **Advanced** -> **AP Groups** -> **Add Groups**.



- b. To add APs to the group, choose **WLANs** -> **Advanced** -> **AP Groups** -> **AP Group Name** -> **APs** -> **Add APs**.



• Configuration From CLI

- a. Use the following command to create AP group:

```
config wlan apgroup add group-name
```

- b. Use the following command to add AP to the group:

```
config ap group-name <group-name> <AP_name>
```

```
(wlc-3504) >config ap group-name iox-group IW6300DCW
Changing the AP's group name will cause the AP to reboot.
Are you sure you want to continue? (y/n) y
```

**Step 2** Enable App Host on apgroup from CLI. IOx on all AP in this ap-group will be enabled.

```
config ap apphost apgroup <group-name> {enable|disable}
```

**Example:**

```
(wlc-3504) >config ap apphost apgroup iox-group enable
(wlc-3504) >config ap apphost apgroup iox-group disable
```

## Verifying the Configuration

Use the following commands to verify your configuration:

```
(wlc-3504) >show ap apphost ap-name IW6300DCW
App Host configuration:
App Host Status.....: Enabled
```

```
(wlc-3504) >show ap apphost apgroup iox-group
App Host configuration:
App Host Status.....: Enabled
```

## Related Documentation

- Release Notes for Cisco Wireless Controllers and Lightweight Access Points for Cisco Wireless releases  
<http://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/wireless/wireless-lan-controller-software/products-release-notes-list.html>
- Cisco Wireless Solutions Software Compatibility Matrix  
<https://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/td/docs/wireless/compatibility/matrix/compatibility-matrix.html>
- Cisco Wireless Controller Configuration Guides  
<http://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/wireless/wireless-lan-controller-software/products-installation-and-configuration-guides-list.html>
- Release Notes for Cisco Mobility Express  
<https://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/wireless/mobility-express/products-release-notes-list.html>
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