Understanding the User Interface

The Internetwork Operating System (IOS) user interface provides access to several different command modes. Each command mode provides a group of related commands. This chapter describes how to access and list the commands available in each command mode, and explains the primary uses for each command mode.

For security purposes, the IOS provides two levels of access to commands: user and privileged. The unprivileged, user mode is called user EXEC mode. The privileged mode is called privileged EXEC mode, and requires a password. The commands available in user EXEC mode are a subset of the commands available in privileged EXEC mode.

From the privileged level, you can access global configuration mode and ten specific configuration modes: interface, subinterface, controller, hub, map-list, map-class, line, router, ipx-router, and route-map configuration. In addition, if your router does not find a valid system image, or if its configuration file is corrupted at startup, the system might enter read-only memory (ROM) monitor mode. Entering a question mark (?) at the system prompt allows you to obtain a list of commands available for each command mode.

Almost every system configuration command also has a **no** form. In general, use the **no** form to disable a feature or function. Use the command without the keyword **no** to reenable a disabled feature or to enable a feature that is disabled by default. For example, IP routing is enabled by default. Specify the command **no ip routing** to disable IP routing and specify **ip routing** to reenable it. The Router Products Command Reference publication provides the complete syntax for every router configuration command and describes what the **no** form of a command does.

The user interface also provides context-sensitive help on command syntax. This chapter describes how to use the help system. It also describes the command editing and command history features that enable you to recall previous command entries and easily edit command entries.

For a complete description of the commands mentioned in this chapter, refer to the "User Interface Commands" chapter in the *Router Products Command Reference* publication.

User Interface Task List

You can perform the tasks in the following sections to become familiar with the IOS user interface:

- Access Each Command Mode
- Get Context-Sensitive Help
- Check Command Syntax
- Use the Command History Features
- Use the Editing Features

Check Command Syntax

Access Each Command Mode

This section describes how to access each of the IOS command modes:

- User EXEC Mode
- Privileged EXEC Mode
- Global Configuration Mode
- Interface Configuration Mode
- Subinterface Configuration Mode
- Controller Configuration Mode
- **Hub Configuration Mode**
- Map-List Configuration Mode
- Map-Class Configuration Mode
- Line Configuration Mode
- Router Configuration Mode
- IPX-Router Configuration Mode
- Route-Map Configuration Mode
- **ROM Monitor Mode**

Table 2-1 lists the command modes, how to access each mode, the prompt you will see while you are in that mode, the main uses for each configuration mode, and the method to exit that mode. The prompts listed assume the default router name "Router." Table 2-1 might not include all of the possible ways to access or exit each command mode.

Table 2-1 **Summary of Command Modes**

Command Mode	Access Method	Prompt	Exit Method
User EXEC	Log in to router.	Router>	Use the logout command.
Privileged EXEC	From user EXEC mode, use the enable EXEC command.	Router#	To exit back to user EXEC mode, use the disable command.
			To exit into global configuration mode, use the configure privileged EXEC command.
Global configuration	From privileged EXEC mode, use the configure	Router(config)#	To exit to privileged EXEC mode, use the exit or end command or press Ctrl-Z.
	privileged EXEC command.		To exit to interface configuration mode, enter an interface configuration command.
Interface configuration	From global configuration mode, enter by specifying an	Router(config-if)#	To exit to global configuration mode, use the exit command.
	interface with an interface		To exit to privileged EXEC mode, press Ctrl-Z.
	command.		To exit to subinterface configuration mode, specify a subinterface with the interface command.

Command Mode	Access Method	Prompt	Exit Method
Subinterface configuration	From interface configuration mode, specify a subinterface	Router(config-subif)#	To exit to global configuration mode, use the exit command.
	with an interface command.		To exit to privileged EXEC mode, press Ctrl-Z.
Controller configuration	From global configuration mode, use the controller command to configure a channelized T1 interface.	Router(config-controller)#	To exit to global configuration mode, use the exit command.
Hub configuration	From global configuration mode, enter by specifying a	Router(config-hub)#	To exit to global configuration mode, use the exit command.
	hub with the hub command.		To exit to privileged EXEC mode, press Ctrl-Z.
Map-list configuration	From global configuration mode, define a map list with	Router(config-map-list)#	To exit to map-class configuration mode, use the map-class command.
	the map-list command.		To exit to privileged EXEC mode, press Ctrl-Z.
Map-class configuration	From global configuration mode, configure a map class	Router(config-map-class) #	To exit to global configuration mode, use the exit command.
	with the map-class command.		To exit to privileged EXEC mode, press Ctrl-Z.
Line configuration	From global configuration mode, enter by specifying a	Router(config-line)#	To exit to global configuration mode, use the exit command.
	line with a line command.		To exit to privileged EXEC mode, press Ctrl-Z.
Router configuration	From global configuration mode, enter by entering a	Router(config-router)#	To exit to global configuration mode, use exit command.
	command that begins with router (such as router igrp).		To exit to privileged EXEC mode, press Ctrl-Z.
IPX-router configuration	From global configuration mode, enter by issuing the ipx routing command, then a command that begins with ipx router (such as ipx router eigrp).	Router(config-ipx-router)#	To exit to global configuration mode, use the exit command.
Route-map configuration	From global configuration mode, enter by specifying	Router(config-route-map) #	To exit to global configuration mode, use the exit command.
	the route-map command.		To exit to privileged EXEC mode, press Ctrl-Z.
ROM monitor	From privileged EXEC mode, use the reload EXEC command. Press Break during the first 60 seconds while the system is booting.	>	To exit to user EXEC mode, press ${\bf c}$ to continue.

User EXEC Mode

After you log in to the router, you are automatically in user EXEC command mode. The EXEC commands available at the user level are a subset of those available at the privileged level. In general, the user EXEC commands allow you to connect to remote routers, change terminal settings on a temporary basis, perform basic tests, and list system information.

To list the user EXEC commands, complete the following task:

Task	Command
List the user EXEC commands.	?

The user-level prompt consists of the router's host name followed by the angle bracket (>):

```
Router>
```

The default host name is Router unless it has been changed during initial configuration using the **setup** command. (Refer to the *Router Products Getting Started Guide* for information on the **setup** facility.) You can also change the router name using the hostname global configuration command described in the "System Management Commands" chapter in the Router Products Command Reference publication.

To list the commands available in user EXEC mode, enter a question mark (?) as shown in the following example:

```
Router> ?
Exec commands:
connect
                Open a terminal connection
disconnect Disconnect an existing telms enable Turn on privileged commands
                Disconnect an existing telnet session
exit
               Exit from the EXEC
              Description of the interactive help system Lock the terminal
help
lock
login Log in as a particular user logout Exit from the EXEC
name-connection Name an existing telnet connection
ping Send echo messages
               Resume an active telnet connection
resume
               Show running system information
systat
               Display information about terminal lines
telnet
               Open a telnet connection
terminal
              Set terminal line parameters
                 List active telnet connections
 where
Router>
```

The list of commands might vary slightly from this example, depending upon how your router has been configured.

Privileged EXEC Mode

Because many of the privileged commands set operating parameters, privileged access should be password-protected to prevent unauthorized use. The privileged command set includes those commands contained in user EXEC mode, as well as the configure command through which you can access the remaining command modes. Privileged EXEC mode also includes high-level testing commands, such as **debug**. For details on the **debug** command, see the *Debug Command Reference* publication.

To access and list the privileged EXEC commands, complete the following tasks:

Task		Command
Step 1	Enter the privileged EXEC mode.	enable [password]
Step 2	List privileged EXEC commands.	?

If the system administrator has set a password, you are prompted to enter it before being allowed access to privileged EXEC mode. The password is not displayed on the screen and is case sensitive. The system administrator uses the **enable password global configuration** command to set the password that restricts access to privileged mode. This command is described in the "System Management Commands" chapter in the Router Products Command Reference publication.

The privileged-level prompt consists of the router's host name followed by the pound sign (#). (If the router was named with the **hostname** command, that name would appear as the prompt instead of "Router.")

Router#

The following example shows how to access privileged EXEC mode and list privileged EXEC commands:

```
Router> enable
  Password:
For manual emergency modes setting

clear Reset functions

clock Manage the system clock

configure Enter configuration mode

connect Open a terminal connection

copy Copy a config file to or from a tftp server

debug Debugging functions

disable Turn off privileged commands

disconnect Disconnect an existing telnet session

enable Turn on privileged commands

exit Exit from the EXEC

help
  Router# ?
      help Description of the interaction of the interact
                                                                                                                Description of the interactive help system
        name-connection Name an existing telnet connection
    Send echo messages
reload Halt and perform a cold restart
resume Resume an active telnet connection
send Send a message to other tty lines
setup Run the SETUP command facility
show Show running system information
systat Display information about terminal lines
telnet Open a telnet connection
terminal Set terminal line parameters
test Test subsystems, memory and intent
                                                                                                             Trace route to destination
         trace
                                                                                                       List active telnet connections
         where
        where
which-route
                                                                                                                Do route table lookup and display results
          write
                                                                                                                Write running configuration to memory, network, or terminal
```

The list of commands might vary slightly from this example, depending upon how your router has been configured.

From the privileged level, you can access global configuration mode. For instructions, see the "Global Configuration Mode" section, which follows this section.

To return from privileged EXEC mode to user EXEC mode, perform the following task:

Task	Command
Move from privileged EXEC mode to user EXEC mode.	disable

Global Configuration Mode

Global configuration commands apply to features that affect the system as a whole. Use the configure privileged EXEC command to enter global configuration mode. When you enter this command, the EXEC prompts you for the source of the configuration commands:

```
Configuring from terminal, memory, or network [terminal]?
```

You can then specify either the terminal, nonvolatile memory (NVRAM), or a file stored on a network server as the source of configuration commands (see the "System Image, Microcode Image, and Configuration File Load Commands" chapter in the Router Products Command Reference publication). The default is to enter commands from the terminal console. Pressing the Return key begins this configuration method.

Commands to enable a particular routing or bridging function are also global configuration commands. For information on protocol-specific global configuration commands, see the appropriate chapter in this guide.

To access and list the global configuration commands, complete the following tasks:

Task		Command
Step 1	At the terminal, from the privileged EXEC mode, enter global configuration mode.	configure ¹ <cr></cr>
Step 2	List the global configuration commands.	?

^{1.} This command is documented in the "System Image, Microcode Image, and Configuration File Load Commands" chapter in the Router Products Command Reference publication.

The following example shows how to access global configuration mode and list global configuration commands:

```
Router# configure
Configuring from terminal, memory, or network [terminal]? <CR>
Enter configuration commands, one per line. End with CNTL/Z.
Router(config)# ?
Configure commands:
 access-list
                         Add an access list entry
 apollo
                         Apollo global configuration commands
                Appletalk global configuration commands
Set a static ARP entry
 appletalk
 arp
 async-bootp Modify system bootp parameters
autonomous-system Specify local AS number to which we belong
                        Define a login banner
 banner
 boot
                        Modify system boot parameters
                         Transparent bridging
 bridge
                        Adjust system buffer pool parameters
 buffers
 busy-message Display message when connection to host fails chat-script Define a modem chat script clns Global CLNS configuration subcommands
                       Global CLNS configuration subcommands
 clock
                        Configure time-of-day clock
                        Global DECnet configuration subcommands
 decnet.
 default-value
                       Default character-bits values
 dialer-list
                        Create a dialer list entry
 enable
                        Modify enable password parameters
                        Exit from configure mode
 end
 exit

frame-relay

Global frame relay configuration

Description of the interactive help system

Totwork name
 help
 interface
                        Select an interface to configure
 ip
                        Global IP configuration subcommands
                          Novell/IPX global configuration commands
```

line Configure a terminal line

IBM Lan Manager

locaddr-priority-list Establish queueing priorities based on LU address

logging Modify message logging facilities Define a host-specific login string login-string

gom

The DEC MOP Server
NETBIOS access control filtering netbios Negate a command or set its defaults

Configure NTP ntp

priority-list Build a priority list queue-list Build a custom queue list rif Source-route RIF cache

route-map Create route-map or enter route-map command mode router Enable a routing process

scheduler-interval Maximum interval before running lowest priority process

Modify use of network based services

service
smt-queue-threshold
snmp-server
source-bridge

Set the max number of unprocessed SMT frames
Modify SNMP parameters
Source-route bridging ring groups stun
tacacs-server STUN global configuration commands Modify TACACS query parameters

tftp-server Provide TFTP service for netload requests

tn3270 tn3270 configuration command Establish User Name Authentication username vines Vines global configuration commands

x25 X.25 Level 3

xns XNS global configuration commands

The list of commands might vary slightly from this example, depending upon how your router has been configured.

To exit global configuration command mode and return to privileged EXEC mode, use one of the following commands:

Task	Command
Exit global configuration mode.	exit end Ctrl-Z

From global configuration mode, you can access ten configuration modes: interface, subinterface, hub, controller, map-list, map-class, line, router, ipx-router, and route-map configuration commands. These command modes are described in the following sections.

Interface Configuration Mode

Many features are enabled on a per-interface basis. Interface configuration commands modify the operation of an interface such as an Ethernet, FDDI, or serial port. Interface configuration commands always follow an **interface** global configuration command, which defines the interface type.

For details on interface configuration commands that affect general interface parameters, such as bandwidth, clock rate, and so on, see the "Configuring Interfaces" chapter. For protocol-specific commands, see the appropriate chapter in this guide.

To access and list the interface configuration commands, complete the following tasks:

Task		Command
Step 1	From global configuration mode, enter interface configuration mode.	interface interface-type interface-number ¹
Step 2	List the interface configuration commands.	?

1. This command is documented in the "Interface Commands" chapter in the Router Products Command Reference publication.

In the following example, serial interface 0 is about to be configured. The new prompt Router(config-if)# indicates interface configuration mode. In this example, the user asks for help by requesting a list of commands.

```
Router(config)# interface serial 0 <CR>
Router(config-if)# ?
Interface configuration commands:
 access-expression Build a bridge boolean access expression
                  Appletalk interface subcommands
 apollo
 appletalk
arp Set arp type (arpa, probe, snap, or snap)
backup Modify dial-backup parameters
bandwidth Set bandwidth informational parameter
bridge-group Transparent bridging interface parameters
clns CLNS interface subcommands
clockrate Configure serial interface clock speed
custom-queue-list Assign a custom queue list to an interface
decnet Interface DECnet config commands
Specify interface throughput delay
                             Set arp type (arpa, probe, snap) or timeout
                    Intertace DECHEC COMPAGE
Specify interface throughput delay
 description Interface throughput delay description Interface specific description dialer Dial-on-demand routing (DDR) commands dialer-group Assign interface to dialer-list down-when-looped Force looped serial interface down encapsulation Set encapsulation type for an interface
 ethernet-transit-oui Token-ring to Ethernet OUI handling
                 Exit from interface configuration mode

Set frame relay parameters
 exit
 frame-relay
 hdh
                              Set HDH mode
 help
                              Description of the interactive help system
                          Set hold queue depth
 hold-queue
                                Interface Internet Protocol config commands
 iρ
 ipx
                                Novell interface subcommands
                               IS-IS commands
 isis
                             ISO-IGRP interface subcommands
 iso-igrp
                            Enable keepalive
X.25 Level 2 parameters (Link Access Procedure, Balanced)
 keepalive
 lapb
 11c2
lnm IBM Lan Manager
locaddr-priority Assign a priority group
loopback Configure internal loopb
mac-address Manually set interface M
mop DEC MOD server.
                                Configure internal loopback on an interface
                                Manually set interface MAC address
 mtu
                               Set the interface Maximum Transmission Unit (MTU)
                             Use a defined NETBIOS access list or enable name-caching
 netbios
                             Negate a command or set its defaults
 no
ppp Point-to-point protocol
priority-group Assign a priority group to an interface
pulse-time Enables pulsing of DTR during
 sdlc
                                SDLC commands
 sdllc
                                Configure SDLC to LLC2 translation
                           Shutdown the selected interface Modify SMDS parameters
 shutdown
 smds
 source-bridge Configure interface for source-route bridging
                              STUN interface subcommands
 transmit-interface Assign a transmit interface to a receive-only interface
 transmitter-delay Set dead-time after transmitting a datagram
 tunnel
                                protocol-over-protocol tunneling
```

Configure card level transmit queue limit

tx-queue-limit

vines Vines interface subcommands xns XNS interface subcommands

The list of commands might vary slightly from this example, depending upon how your router has been configured.

To exit interface configuration mode and return to global configuration mode, enter the exit command. To exit configuration mode and return to privileged EXEC mode, press Ctrl-Z.

Subinterface Configuration Mode

You can configure multiple virtual interfaces (called subinterfaces) on a single physical interface. This feature is supported on serial interfaces with Frame Relay encapsulation.

Subinterfaces appear to be distinct physical interfaces to the various protocols. For example, Frame Relay networks provide multiple point-to-point links called permanent virtual circuits (PVCs). PVCs can be grouped under separate subinterfaces that in turn are configured on a single physical interface. From a bridging spanning-tree viewpoint, each subinterface is a separate bridge port, and a frame arriving on one subinterface can be sent out on a another subinterface.

Subinterfaces also allow multiple encapsulations for a protocol on a single interface. For example, a router can receive an ARPA-framed IPX packet and forward the packet back out the same physical interface as a SNAP-framed IPX packet.

For detailed information on how to configure subinterfaces, see the "Configuring Interfaces" chapter, later in this publication.

To access and list the subinterface configuration commands, complete the following tasks:

Task		Command
Step 1	From interface configuration mode, configure a virtual interface.	See the example that follows. For a list of all interface commands that allow subinterface implementation, see the "Configuring Interfaces" chapter.
Step 2	List the subinterface configuration commands.	?

In the following example, a subinterface is configured for serial line 2, which is configured for Frame Relay encapsulation. The subinterface is called 2.1 to indicate that it is subinterface 1 of serial interface 2. The new prompt Router (config-subif)# indicates subinterface configuration mode. The subinterface can be configured to support one or more Frame Relay PVCs. To list the commands available in subinterface configuration mode, enter a question mark (?).

```
Router(config)# interface serial 2
Router(config-if)# encapsulation frame-relay
Router(config-if)# interface serial 2.1
Router(config-subif)# ?
Interface configuration commands:
 apollo interface subcommands
appletalk Appletalk interface subcommands bandwidth Set bandwidth informational parameter
 bridge-group Transparent bridging interface parameters
 clns
             CLNS interface subcommands
            Interface DECnet config commands
 decnet
delay Specify interface throughput delay
 description Interface specific description
 frame-relay Set frame relay parameters
             Interface Internet Protocol config commands
 ip
 ipx
             Novell interface subcommands
```

isis IS-IS commands
iso-igrp ISO-IGRP interface subcommands
no Negate a command or set its defaults
ntp Configure NTP
shutdown Shutdown the selected interface

The list of commands might vary slightly from this example depending upon how your router has been configured.

To exit subinterface configuration mode and return to global configuration mode, enter the **exit** command. To exit configuration mode and return to privileged EXEC mode, press Ctrl-Z.

Controller Configuration Mode

You can configure channelized T1 interfaces in the controller configuration mode.

To access and list the controller configuration commands, complete the following tasks:

Task		Command
Step 1	From global configuration mode, configure a channelized T1 interface.	controller t1 slot/port 1
Step 2	List the controller configuration commands.	?

^{1.} This command is documented in the "Interface Commands" chapter in the Router Products Command Reference publication.

In the following example, a channelized T1 interface is being configured on interface 0/0. The new prompt Router(config-controller)# indicates controller configuration mode.

Note The controller configuration mode applies only to the Cisco 7000 series MultiChannel Interface Processor (MIP) that has one or two CxBus Channelized T1 (CxCT1) port adaptor modules attached.

Hub Configuration Mode

Hub configuration commands configure hub functionality for an Ethernet interface on the Cisco 2500. They always follow a **hub** global configuration command. To access and list the **hub** configuration commands, complete the following tasks:

Task		Command
Step 1	From global configuration mode, use the hub command.	hub number port [port] ¹

Task	Command
Step 2 List the hub configuration commands.	?

^{1.} This command is documented in the "Interface Configuration Commands" chapter in the Router Products Command Reference publication.

The following example shows how to enter **hub** configuration mode and list the hub configuration commands. In this example, the new prompt Router(config-hub)# indicates hub configuration mode.

```
Router (config)# hub ethernet 0 1 3
Router(config-hub)# ?
Hub configuration commands:
  exit Exit from hub configuration mode help Description of the interactive he
  help Description of the interactive help system link-test Enable Link Test Function of Hub port
  no Negate or set default values of a command shutdown Shutdown the selected port
  source-address Enable Source Address control for Hub port
```

To exit hub configuration mode and return to global configuration mode, enter the **exit** command. To exit configuration mode an return to privileged EXEC mode, pres Ctrl-Z.

Map-List Configuration Mode

The Asynchronous Transfer Mode (ATM) interface in the Cisco 7000 series router supports a static mapping scheme that identifies the ATM address of remote hosts or routers.

Map-list configuration commands configure a map list. They always follow a map-list global configuration command. To access and list the map list configuration commands, complete the following tasks:

Task		Command
Step 1	From global configuration mode, use the map-list command.	map-list name ¹
Step 2	List the map-list configuration commands.	?

^{1.} This command is documented in the "ATM Configuration Commands" chapter in the Router Products Command Reference publication.

The following example shows how to enter map-list configuration mode and list the map list configuration commands. In this example, the static map-list configuration commands are listed. The new prompt Router (config-map-list) # indicates map-list configuration mode.

```
Router(config)# map-list atm
Router(config-map-list)# ?
Static maps list configuration commands:
 A.B.C.D Protocol specific address
                      AppleTalk ARP
  aarp
  apollo
appletalk
 apollo
                     Apollo Domain
                     AppleTalk
          IP ARP
Bridging
ISO CLNS
ISO CLNS End System
ISO CLNS Intermediate System
ISO CMNS
  arp
  bridge
  clns
  clns_es
  clns_is
                      ISO CMNS
  cmns
  compressedtcp Compressed TCP
```

```
decnet DECnet decnet_node DECnet Node
decnet_prime_router DECnet Prime Router
decnet_router DECnet Router
exit-class
                  Exit from static map class configuration mode
help
                   Description of the interactive help system
ip
ipx
                   Novell IPX
                  Negate or set default values of a command
no
pad
                  PAD links
rsrb
                  Remote Source-Route Bridging
                   Serial Tunnel
stun
vines
                   Banyan VINES
xns
                   Xerox Network Services
```

The list of commands might vary slightly from this example, depending upon how your router has been configured.

To exit map-list configuration mode and return to global configuration mode, enter the exit command. To exit configuration mode an return to privileged EXEC mode, pres Ctrl-Z.

Map-Class Configuration Mode

The ATM interface allows you to specify Quality of Service (QOS) parameters that control how much traffic the source router will be sending over a switched virtual circuit (SVC).

To define QOS parameters that are associated with a static map for an SVC, use the map-class global configuration command.

Task	sk Command	
Step 1	From global configuration mode, configure a map class.	${\bf map\text{-}class\;encapsulation\;class\text{-}name}^1$
Step 2	List the map-class configuration commands.	?

^{1.} This command is documented in the "ATM Configuration Commands" chapter in the Router Products Command Reference publication.

In the following example, the static map-class configuration commands are listed. The new prompt Router(config-map-class)# indicates map-class configuration mode.

```
Router(config)# map-class atm aaa
Router(config-map-class)# ?
Static maps class configuration commands:
atm Configure atm static map class
exit-class Exit from static map class configuration mode
help Description of the Interaction

Negate or set default values of a command
            Description of the interactive help system
```

The list of commands might vary slightly from this example, depending upon how your router has been configured.

To exit map-class configuration mode and return to global configuration mode, enter the exit command. To exit configuraton mode an return to privileged EXEC mode, press Ctrl-Z.

Note The static mapping configuration mode applies only to the Cisco 7000 series router.

Line Configuration Mode

Line configuration commands modify the operation of a serial terminal line. Line configuration commands always follow a line command, which defines a line number. These commands are generally used to connect to remote routers, change terminal parameter settings on a line-by-line basis, and set up the auxiliary port modem configuration to support dial-on-demand routing (DDR) (see the "DDR Commands" chapter in the Router Products Command Reference publication).

To access and list the auxiliary port, console port, and virtual terminal line configuration commands, complete the following tasks:

Task		Command
Step 1	From global configuration mode, configure an auxiliary, console, or virtual terminal line.	line {aux con vty} line-number [ending-line-number] ¹
Step 2	List the line configuration commands.	?

^{1.} This command is documented in the "Terminal Lines and Modem Support Commands" chapter in the Router Products Command Reference publication.

The following example shows how to enter line configuration mode for virtual terminal line 3 and list the line configuration commands. The new prompt Router (config-line) # indicates line configuration mode.

```
Router(config)# line vty 3 <CR>
Router(config-line)# ?
Line configuration commands:
 access-class Filter connections based on an IP access list activation-character Define the activation character autobaud Set line to autobaud
 autobaud Set line to autobaud
autocommand Automatically execute an EXEC command
autohangup Automatically hangup when last connection closes
autohost Automatically connect to a host
cts-required Require CTS on line
 data-character-bits Size of characters being handled
                            Set number of data bits per character
 databits
 disconnect-character Define the disconnect character
 dispatch-character Define the dispatch character dispatch-timeout Set the dispatch timer editing Enable command line editing
 escape-character Change the current line's escape character exec Start an EXEC process
                 Start an EARC PLOCESS

Enable the display of the EXEC banner
 exec-banner
 exec-character-bits Size of characters to the command exec
 exec-timeout Set the EXEC timeout
                             Exit from line configuration mode
 exit.
 flowcontrol
                             Set the flow control
 help
                             Description of the interactive help system
 history
                             Enable the command history function
 hold-character
                           Define the hold character
                            Set number of lines on a screen
 lengt.h
 location
                            Enter terminal location description
 lockable
                            Allow users to lock a line
 login
                            Enable password checking
 modem
                             Configure the Modem Control Lines
 monitor
                             Copy debug output to the current terminal line
                             Negate a command or set its defaults
 no
 notify
                             Inform users of output from concurrent sessions
 padding
                             Set padding for a specified output character
 parity
                             Set terminal parity
 password
                             Set a password
                        Configuration options that user can set will remain in effect
between terminal sessions
```

```
refuse-message
                                     Define a refuse banner
 rotary

Add line to a rotary group

rxspeed

session-limit

session-timeout

Set maximum number of sessions

Set interval for closing connection when there is no input
traffic
 special-character-bits Size of the escape (and other special) characters
speed Set the transmit and receive - received start-character

stop-character Define the start character

stopbits Set async line stop bits

telnet Telnet protocol-specific configuration

telnet-transparent Send a CR as a CR followed by a NULL instead of a CR followed
                                      Set the transmit and receive speeds
 speed
by a LF
 terminal-type Set the terminal type
transport Define transport prote
typeed Set the transmit speed
                                      Define transport protocols for line
                                       Set the transmit speeds
 txspeed
 vacant-message Define a vacant banner width Set width of the displa
 width
                                      Set width of the display terminal
```

The list of commands might vary from this example, depending upon how your router has been configured.

To exit line configuration mode and return to global configuration mode, use the **exit** command. To exit configuration mode and return to privileged EXEC mode, press Ctrl-Z.

Router Configuration Mode

Router configuration commands configure a routing protocol and always follow a **router** command. To access and list the router configuration commands, complete the following tasks:

Task		Command
Step 1	From global configuration mode, enter router configuration mode.	router [keyword] ¹ See the list in the example for keywords.
Step 2	List the router configuration commands.	?

^{1.} This command is documented in the "IP Routing Protocols Commands" chapter in the *Router Products Command Reference* publication.

To list the available router configuration keywords, enter the **router** command followed by a space and a question mark (?) at the global configuration prompt:

Router(config)# router ?

```
bgp Border Gateway Protocol (BGP)
egp Exterior Gateway Protocol (EGP)
igrp Interior Gateway Routing Protocol (IGRP)
isis ISO IS-IS
iso-igrp IGRP for OSI networks
ospf Open Shortest Path First (OSPF)
rip Routing Information Protocol (RIP)
static Static CLNS Routing
```

In the following example, the router is configured to support the Routing Information Protocol (RIP). The new prompt is Router(config-router)#.

distribute-list Filter networks in routing updates Exit from routing protocol configuration mode help Description of the interactive help system Specify a neighbor router Enable routing on an IP network neighbor network Negate or set default values of a command offset-list Add or subtract offset from IGRP, RIP, or passive-interface Suppress routing updates on an interface Add or subtract offset from IGRP, RIP, or HELLO metrics redistribute Redistribute information from another routing protocol timers Adjust routing timers

The list of commands might vary slightly from this example, depending upon how your router has been configured.

To exit router configuration mode and return to global configuration mode, enter the exit command. To exit configuration mode and return to privileged EXEC mode, press Ctrl-Z.

IPX-Router Configuration Mode

Internet Packet Exchange (IPX) is a Novell network-layer protocol. To access and list the IPX routing configuration commands, complete the following tasks:

Task Command		Command
Step 1	From global configuration mode, enter IPX-router configuration mode.	ipx router [keyword] ¹ See the Novell IPX chapter for keywords.
Step 2	List the IPX-router configuration commands.	?

^{1.} This command is documented in the "Novell IPX Commands" chapter in the Router Products Command Reference publication.

In the following example, IPX RIP routing is configured. The new prompt is Router(config-ipx-router)#.

```
Router(config)# ipx router rip<CR>
Router(config-ipx-router)# ?
Novell router configuration commands:
 distribute-list Filter networks in routing updates
 exit.
               Exit from IPX routing protocol configuration mode
              Description of the interactive help system
 help
 network
              Enable routing on an IPX network
              Negate or set default values of a command
```

To exit IPX-router configuration mode and return to global configuration mode, enter the exit command. To exit configuration mode and return to privileged EXEC mode, press Ctrl-Z.

Route-Map Configuration Mode

Use the route-map configuration mode to configure routing table and source and destination information. To access and list the route-map configuration commands, complete the following tasks:

Task		Command
Step 1	From global configuration mode, enter route-map configuration mode.	route-map [route map tag] ¹
Step 2	List the route-map configuration commands.	?

1. This command is documented in the "IP Routing Protocols Commands" chapter in the *Router Products Command Reference* publication.

In the following example, a route map named arizonal is configured. The new prompt is Router(config-route-map)#. Enter a question mark (?) to list **route-map** configuration commands.

```
Router(config)# route-map arizonal <CR>
Router(config-route-map)# ?
Route Map configuration commands:
exit Exit from route-map configuration mode
help Description of the interactive help system
match Match values from routing table
no Negate or set default values of a command
set Set values in destination routing protocol
```

To exit route-map configuration mode and return to global configuration mode, enter the **exit** command. To exit configuration mode and return to privileged EXEC mode, press Ctrl-Z.

ROM Monitor Mode

If your router does not find a valid system image, or if its configuration file is corrupted at startup, the system might enter read-only memory (ROM) monitor mode. From ROM monitor mode, you can boot the router or perform diagnostic tests.

From the Cisco 2000, Cisco 3000, and Cisco 4000, you can also enter ROM monitor mode by entering the **reload** EXEC command and then pressing the Break key during the first 60 seconds of startup. To save changes to the configuration file, use the **write memory** command before issuing the **reload** command.

To access and list the ROM monitor configuration commands, complete the following tasks:

Task	Command
Enter ROM monitor mode from privileged EXEC mode.	reload ¹ Press Break during the first 60 seconds while the system is booting.
List the ROM monitor commands.	?

^{1.} This command is documented in the "System Image, Microcode Image, and Configuration File Load Commands" chapter of the *Router Products Command Reference* publication.

The ROM monitor prompt is the angle bracket (>):

```
> ?
            Toggle cache state (? for help)
$ state
B [filename] [TFTP Server IP address | TFTP Server Name]
            Load and execute system image from ROM or from TFTP server
C [address] Continue execution [optional address]
D /S M L V \, Deposit value V of size S into location L with modifier M \,
E /S M L
            Examine location L with size S with modifier M
G [address] Begin execution
             Help for commands
Т
            Initialize
            Stack trace
K
L [filename] [TFTP Server IP address | TFTP Server Name]
             Load system image from ROM or from TFTP server, but do not
             begin execution
0
             Show configuration register option settings
             Set the break point
```

```
S
           Single step next instruction
T function Test device (? for help)
Deposit and Examine sizes may be B (byte), L (long) or S (short).
Modifiers may be R (register) or S (byte swap).
Register names are: D0-D7, A0-A6, SS, US, SR, and PC
```

To return to user EXEC mode, enter c to continue. To boot the system image file, use the b command (described in the "System Image, Microcode Image, and Configuration File Load Commands" chapter in the Router Products Command Reference publication). For details on other ROM monitor mode commands, refer to the appropriate hardware installation guide.

Get Context-Sensitive Help

The previous sections described the first level of help available with the user interface. Entering a question mark (?) at the system prompt displays a list of commands available for each command mode. You can also get a list of any command's associated keywords and arguments with the context-sensitive help feature.

To get help specific to a command mode, a command, a keyword, or arguments, perform one of the following tasks:

Task	Command
Obtain a brief description of the help system in any command mode.	help
Obtain help for the full set of user-level commands.	full-help
Obtain help for the full set of user-level commands in user EXEC command mode.	terminal full-help ¹
Obtain a list of commands that begin with a particular character string.	abbreviated-command-entry?
Complete a partial command name.	abbreviated-command-entry <tab></tab>
List all commands available for a particular command mode.	?
List a command's associated keywords.	command?
List a keyword's associated arguments.	command keyword?

^{1.} This command is documented in the Cisco Access Connection Guide.

When using context-sensitive help, the space (or lack of a space) before the question mark (?) is significant. To obtain a list of commands that begin with a particular character sequence, type in those characters followed immediately by the question mark (?). Do not include a space. This form of help is called word help, because it completes a word for you.

To list keywords or arguments, enter a question mark (?) in place of a keyword or argument. Include a space before the ?. This form of help is called *command syntax help*, because it reminds you which keywords or arguments are applicable based on the command, keywords, and arguments you already have entered.

You can abbreviate commands and keywords to the number of characters that allow a unique abbreviation. For example, you can abbreviate the **show** command to **sh**.

Enter the **help** command (which is available in any command mode) for a brief description of the help system:

```
Router# help
Help may be requested at any point in a command by entering
a question mark '?'. If nothing matches, the help list will
be empty and you must back up until entering a '?' shows the
available options.
```

```
Two styles of help are provided:
1. Full help is available when you are ready to enter a
   command argument (e.g. 'show ?') and describes each possible
   argument.
2. Partial help is provided when an abbreviated argument is entered
   and you want to know what arguments match the input
   (e.g. 'show pr?'.)
```

As described in the **help** command output, you can enter a partial command name and a **question** mark (?) to obtain a list of commands beginning with a particular character set. See "Complete a Partial Command Name" later in this chapter for more detail.

The following example illustrates how the context-sensitive help feature enables you to create an access list from configuration mode. First enter the letters co at the system prompt followed by a question mark (?). Do not leave a space between the last letter and the question mark (?). The system provides the commands that begin with **co**.

```
Router# co?
configure connect copy
```

Enter the **configure** command followed by a space and a **question mark** (?) to list the command's keywords and a brief explanation:

```
Router# configure ?
 memory Configure from NV memory
 network Configure from a TFTP network host
  terminal Configure from the terminal
```

Enter the **terminal** keyword to enter configuration mode from the terminal:

```
Router# configure terminal
Enter configuration commands, one per line. End with CNTL/Z.
Router(config)#
```

Enter the access-list command followed by a space and a question mark (?) to list the command's keywords:

```
Router(config)# access-list ?
  <1-99> IP standard access list
  <100-199> IP extended access list <1000-1099> IPX SAP access list
  <1100-1199> Extended 48-bit MAC address access list
  <200-299> Protocol type-code access list
  <300-399> DECnet access list
  <400-499> XNS standard access list
  <500-599> XNS extended access list
  <600-699> Appletalk access list
  <700-799> 48-bit MAC address access list
  <800-899> IPX standard access list <900-999> IPX extended access list
```

Enter the access list number 99 and then enter another question mark (?) to see the arguments that apply to the keyword and brief explanations:

```
Router(config)# access-list 99 ?
 deny Specify packets to reject
 permit Specify packets to forward
```

Enter the **deny** argument followed by a question mark (?) to list additional options:

```
Router(config)# access-list 99 deny ?
  A.B.C.D Address to match
```

Enter the IP address followed by a question mark (?) to list additional options:

```
Router(config)# access-list 99 deny 131.108.134.0 ?
  A.B.C.D Mask of bits to ignore
  <cr>
```

The <cr> symbol appears in the list, indicating that one of your options is to press Return to execute the command. The other option is to add a wildcard mask. Enter the wildcard mask followed by a question mark (?) to list further options.

```
Router(config)# access-list 99 deny 131.108.134.0 0.0.0.255 ?
Router(config)# access-list 99 deny 131.108.134.0 0.0.0.255
```

The <cr> symbol by itself indicates there are no more keywords or arguments. Press Return to execute the command. The system adds an entry to access list 99 that denies access to all hosts on subnet 131.108.134.0.

Check Command Syntax

The user interface provides syntax checking in the form of an error location indicator (^). The ^ symbol appears at the point in the command string where you have entered an incorrect command, keyword, or argument. The error location indicator and interactive help system allow you to easily find and correct syntax errors.

In the following example, suppose you want to set the router clock. First, use context-sensitive help to check the syntax for setting the clock.

```
Router# clock ?
  set Set the time and date
Router# clock
```

The help output shows that the **set** keyword is required. Next, check the syntax for entering the time:

```
Router# clock set ?
hh:mm:ss Current time
Router# clock set
```

Enter the current time:

```
Router# clock set 13:32:00
% Incomplete command.
```

The system indicates that you need to provide additional arguments to complete the command. Press Ctrl-P (see the next section, "Use the Command History Features") to automatically repeat the previous command entry. Then add a space and question mark (?) to reveal the additional arguments:

```
Router# clock set 13:32:00 ?
  <1-31>
           Day of the month
  January Month of the year
  February
  March
  April
  Мау
  June
  July
  August.
  September
  October
  November
  December
```

Now you can complete the command entry:

```
Router# clock set 13:32:00 23 February 93
% Invalid input detected at '^' marker.
```

The caret symbol (^) and help response indicate an error at 93. To list the correct syntax, enter the command up to the point where the error occurred and then enter a question mark (?):

```
Router# clock set 13:32:00 23 February ?
  <1993-2035> Year
Router# clock set 13:32:00 23 February
```

Enter the year using the correct syntax and press Return to execute the command.

```
Router# clock set 13:32:00 23 February 1993
```

Use the Command History Features

With the current software release, the user interface provides a history or record of commands you have entered. This feature is particularly useful for recalling long or complex commands or entries, including access lists. With the command history feature, you can complete the tasks in the following sections:

- Set the Command History Buffer Size
- Recall Commands
- Disable the Command History Feature

Set the Command History Buffer Size

By default, the system records ten command lines in its history buffer. To set the number of command lines the system will record during the current terminal session, complete the following task in EXEC mode:

Task	Command
Enable the command history feature for the current	terminal history [size number-of-lines] ¹
terminal session.	

^{1.} This command is documented in the Cisco Access Connnection Guide.

The **terminal history no size** command resets to default.

To configure the number of command lines the system will record, complete the following task in line configuration mode:

Task	Command
Enable the command history feature.	history [size number-of-lines] ¹

^{1.} The **no history** command resets to default.

Recall Commands

To recall commands from the history buffer, perform one of the following tasks:

Task	Key Sequence/Command
Recall commands in the history buffer, beginning with the most recent command. Repeat the key sequence to recall successively older commands.	Press Ctrl-P or the up arrow key. ¹
Return to more recent commands in the history buffer after recalling commands with Ctrl-P or the up arrow key. Repeat the key sequence to recall successively more recent commands.	Press Ctrl-N or the down arrow key. ¹
While in EXEC mode, list the commands you have just entered.	show history

^{1.} The arrow keys function only on ANSI-compatible terminals such as VT100s.

Disable the Command History Feature

The command history feature is automatically enabled. To disable it during the current terminal session, complete the following task in EXEC mode:

Task	Command
Disable the command history feature for the current session.	terminal no history ¹

^{1.} This command is documented in the Cisco Access Connnection Guide.

To configure a specific line so that the command history feature is disabled, complete the following task in line configuration mode:

Task	Command
Configure the line so that the command history feature is disabled.	no history

Use the Editing Features

The current software release includes an enhanced editing mode that provides a set of editing key functions similar to those of the Emacs editor.

You can enter commands in uppercase, lowercase, or a mix of both. Only passwords are casesensitive. You can abbreviate commands and keywords to the number of characters that allow a unique abbreviation. For example, you can abbreviate the show command to sh. After entering the command line at the system prompt, press the Return key to execute the command.

The following subsections are included in this section:

- Enable Enhanced Editing Mode
- Move Around on the Command Line
- Complete a Partial Command Name
- Paste in Buffer Entries
- Edit Command Lines that Wrap
- **Delete Entries**
- Scroll Down a Line or a Screen

- Redisplay the Current Command Line
- Transpose Mistyped Characters
- Control Capitalization
- Designate a Keystroke as a Command Entry
- Disable Enhanced Editing Mode

Enable Enhanced Editing Mode

Although enhanced editing mode is automatically enabled with the current software release, you can disable it and revert to the editing mode of previous software releases. See the section "Disable Enhanced Editing Mode" later in this chapter.

To reenable the enhanced editing mode for the current terminal session, complete the following task in EXEC mode:

Task	Command
Enable the enhanced editing features for the current terminal session.	$terminal\ editing^1$

^{1.} This command is documented in the Cisco Access Connection Guide.

To reconfigure a specific line to have enhanced editing mode, complete the following task in line configuration mode:

Task	Command
Enable the enhanced editing features.	editing

Move Around on the Command Line

Perform the following tasks to move the cursor around on the command line for corrections or changes:

Task	Keystrokes
Move the cursor back one character.	Press Ctrl-B or press the left arrow key. 1
Move the cursor forward one character.	Press Ctrl-F or press the right arrow key. ¹
Move the cursor to the beginning of the command line.	Press Ctrl-A.
Move the cursor to the end of the command line.	Press Ctrl-E.
Move the cursor back one word.	Press Esc-B.
Move the cursor forward one word.	Press Esc-F.

^{1.} The arrow keys function only on ANSI-compatible terminals such as VT100s.

Complete a Partial Command Name

If you cannot remember a complete command name, you can use the Tab key to allow the system to complete a partial entry. To do so, perform the following task:

Task	Keystrokes
Recall a complete command name.	Enter the first few letters and
	press the Tab key.

If your keyboard does not have a Tab key, press Ctrl-I instead.

In the following example, when you enter the letters conf and press the Tab key, the system provides the complete command:

```
Router# conf<Tab>
Router# configure
```

If you enter a set of characters that could indicate more than one command, the system beeps to indicate an error. Enter a question mark (?) to obtain a list of commands that begin with that set of characters. Do not leave a space between the last letter and the question mark (?).

For example, there are three commands in privileged mode that start with co. To see what they are, type **co?** at the privileged EXEC prompt:

```
Router# co?
configure connect copy
Router# co
```

Paste in Buffer Entries

The system provides a buffer that contains the last ten items you deleted. You can recall these items and paste them in the command line by performing the following task:

Task		Keystrokes	
Step 1	Recall the most recent entry in the buffer.	Press Ctrl-Y.	
Step 2	Recall the next buffer entry.	Press Esc-Y.	

The buffer contains only the last ten items you have deleted or cut. If you press Esc-Y more than ten times, you will cycle back to the first buffer entry.

Edit Command Lines that Wrap

The new editing command set provides a wraparound feature for commands that extend beyond a single line on the screen. When the cursor reaches the right margin, the command line shifts ten spaces to the left. You cannot see the first ten characters of the line, but you can scroll back and check the syntax at the beginning of the command. To scroll back, perform the following task:

Task	Keystrokes
Return to the beginning of a command line to verify that you have entered a lengthy command correctly.	Press Ctrl-B or the left arrow key repeatedly until you scroll back to the beginning of the command entry, or press Ctrl-A to return directly to the beginning of the line. ¹

^{1.} The arrow keys function only on ANSI-compatible terminals such as VT100s.

In the following example, the access-list command entry extends beyond one line. When the cursor first reaches the end of the line, the line is shifted ten spaces to the left and redisplayed. The dollar sign (\$) indicates that the line has been scrolled to the left. Each time the cursor reaches the end of the line, the line is again shifted ten spaces to the left.

```
Router(config)# access-list 101 permit tcp 131.108.2.5 255.255.255.0 131.108.1
Router(config)# $ 101 permit tcp 131.108.2.5 255.255.255.0 131.108.1.20 255.25
Router(config)# $t tcp 131.108.2.5 255.255.255.0 131.108.1.20 255.255.255.0 eq
Router(config)# $108.2.5 255.255.255.0 131.108.1.20 255.255.255.0 eq 45
```

When you have completed the entry, press Ctrl-A to check the complete syntax before pressing the Return key to execute the command. The dollar sign (\$) appears at the end of the line to indicate that the line has been scrolled to the right:

```
Router(config)# access-list 101 permit tcp 131.108.2.5 255.255.255.0 131.108.1$
```

The router assumes you have a terminal screen that is 80 columns wide. If you have a width other than that, use the **terminal width** command to tell the router the correct width of your terminal.

Use line wrapping in conjunction with the command history feature to recall and modify previous complex command entries. See the section "Recall Commands" earlier in this chapter for information about recalling previous command entries.

Delete Entries

Perform any of the following tasks to delete command entries if you make a mistake or change your mind:

Task	Keystrokes
Erase the character to the left of the cursor.	Press the Delete or Backspace key.
Delete the character at the cursor.	Press Ctrl-D.
Delete all characters from the cursor to the end of the command line.	Press Ctrl-K.
Delete all characters from the cursor to the beginning of the command line.	Press Ctrl-U or Ctrl-X.
Delete the word to the left of the cursor.	Press Ctrl-W.
Delete from the cursor to the end of the word.	Press Esc-D.

Scroll Down a Line or a Screen

When you use the help facility to list the commands available in a particular mode, the list is often longer than the terminal screen can display. In such cases, a ---more--- prompt is displayed at the bottom of the screen. To view the next line or screen, complete the following tasks:

Task	Keystrokes
Scroll down one line.	Press the Return key.
Scroll down one screen.	Press the Space bar.

Note The ---More--- prompt is used for any output that has more lines than can be displayed on the terminal screen, including **show** command output. You can use the keystrokes listed above whenever you see the ---more--- prompt.

Redisplay the Current Command Line

If you are entering a command and the system suddenly sends a message to your screen, you can easily recall your current command line entry. To do so, perform the following task:

Task	Keystrokes
Redisplay the current command line.	Press Ctrl-L or Ctrl-R.

Transpose Mistyped Characters

If you have mistyped a command entry, you can transpose the mistyped characters by performing the following task:

Task	Keystrokes
Transpose the character to the left of the cursor with the	Press Ctrl-T.
character located at the cursor.	

Control Capitalization

You can capitalize or lowercase words or capitalize a set of letters with simple keystroke sequences. To do so, perform the following task:

Task	Keystrokes
Capitalize the word at the cursor.	Press Esc-C.
Change the word at the cursor to lowercase.	Press Esc-L.
Capitalize letters from the cursor to the end of the word.	Press Esc-U.

Designate a Keystroke as a Command Entry

Sometimes you might want to use a particular keystroke as an executable command, perhaps as a shortcut. Complete the following task to insert a system code for this purpose:

Task	Keystrokes
Insert a code to indicate to the system that the keystroke immediately following should be treated as a command entry, <i>not</i> an editing key.	Press Ctrl-V or Esc-Q.

Disable Enhanced Editing Mode

To disable enhanced editing mode and revert to the editing mode of software releases before 9.21, perform the following task in EXEC mode:

Task	Command
Disable the enhanced editing features for the local line.	terminal no editing $^{\mathrm{1}}$

^{1.} This command is documented in the Cisco Access Connection Guide.

You might want to disable enhanced editing if you have prebuilt scripts; for example, scripts that do not interact well when enhanced editing is enabled. You can reenable enhanced editing mode with the terminal editing command.

The editing keys and functions of software releases before 9.21 are listed in Table 2-2.

Table 2-2 Editing Keys and Functions for Software Release 9.1 and Earlier

Key	Function
Delete or Backspace	Erases the character to the left of the cursor.
Ctrl-W	Erases a word.
Ctrl-U	Erases a line.
Ctrl-R	Redisplays a line.
Ctrl-Z	Ends configuration mode and returns to the EXEC prompt.
Return	Executes single-line commands.

End a Session

After using the setup command or other configuration commands, exit the router and close the console port connection to return to the Telnet prompt, from which you can quit the session.

To end a session, perform the following steps:

Task		Command	
Step 1	Exit the router and close the console port connection.	Press Ctrl-]	
Step 2	Quit the Telnet session.	quit	

Refer to the Cisco Access Connection Guide for more information on exiting sessions and closing connections.