High-Speed Serial Interface (HSSI) Interface Processor (HIP) Installation and Configuration

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This document contains instructions for installing or replacing the High-Speed Serial Interface (HSSI) Interface Processor (HIP) in Cisco 7000 series and Cisco 7500 series routers. These procedures contain basic configuration steps and examples so that you can bring the interface up and verify that the HIP is installed correctly. For complete descriptions of interface subcommands and the configuration options available for HSSI interfaces, refer to the appropriate software publications.

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Caution If you are installing a new HIP in an installed system, ensure that your system configuration meets the minimum requirements for the new interfaces. Refer to the section “Required Parts and Tools,” on page 16, for a description of these prerequisites.

Product Description
This section provides a brief description of the Cisco 7000 series and Cisco 7500 series routers and the HIP. For complete physical and functional descriptions of these products, refer to the hardware installation and maintenance publication appropriate for your chassis model.
The HIP provides a single HSSI network interface for Cisco 7000 series and Cisco 7500 series routers. Network interfaces reside on modular interface processors, which provide a direct connection between the high-speed CxBus and CyBuses and the external networks. All interface processors support online insertion and removal (OIR), which allows you to remove or install interface processors without opening the chassis or shutting down the system.

The HIP, shown in Figure 1, provides a full-duplex (FDX) synchronous serial interface for transmitting and receiving data at rates of up to 52 megabits per second (Mbps). The HSSI interface, which was recently standardized as EIA/TIA 612/613, provides access to services at T3 (45 Mbps), E3 (34 Mbps), and Synchronous Optical Network (SONET) STS-1 (51.82 Mbps) rates. The actual rate of the interface depends on the external data service unit (DSU) and the type of service to which it is connected. The HIP supports both 16- and 32-bit cyclic redundancy checks (CRCs). The default is 16-bit CRCs; to enable 32-bit CRCs, you use a configuration command, depending on the hardware version of your HIP. For a description of the CRC function, refer to the section “Configuring Cyclic Redundancy Checks” on page 24.

Figure 1  High-Speed Serial (HSSI) Interface Processor (HIP)

![High-Speed Serial (HSSI) Interface Processor (HIP)](image)

The default HIP microcode resides on a read-only memory (ROM) device in socket U133. (See Figure 1.)

The HSSI interface port is a female, 50-pin, SCSI-II-type connector. You must use an HSSI interface cable to connect the HIP with an external DSU. Refer to the section “HIP Cables” on page 4 for descriptions of HSSI interface cables.

You can install a HIP in any available interface processor slot in the Cisco 7000 series and Cisco 7500 series routers; there are no restrictions on slot locations or sequence.

HIP LEDs

After system initialization, the enabled LED, which is present on all interface processors, goes on to indicate that the HIP has been enabled for operation. The following conditions must be met before the HIP is enabled:

- The HIP contains a valid microcode version that has successfully been downloaded.
- The HIP is correctly connected to the backplane and receiving power.
- The CxBus or Cybus recognize the HIP card.

If any of these conditions is not met, or if the initialization fails for other reasons, the enabled LED does not go on.
The four status LEDs on the HIP indicate the following:

- **RT (receive timing)**—When on, indicates that the HIP has detected a Receive Clock signal. During normal operation, this signal is received from the external DSU. During loopback, this signal is generated internally.
- **RD (receive data)**—When on, indicates that the HIP has detected, and is able to receive packets from, the external DSU.
- **ST (send timing)**—When on, indicates that the HIP is transmitting a transmit clock signal to the external DSU. During normal operation, this signal is derived from the RT signal from the external DSU. During loopback, this signal is generated internally.
- **C (connected)**—When on, indicates normal operation; the HIP is properly connected to the external DSU, and the signals TA (data terminal equipment [DTE] available) and CA (data communications equipment [DCE] available) are active. (See Table 1.) When off, indicates that the HIP is in loopback mode or is not connected to the DSU.

### HIP Microcode

Microcode, also known as firmware, is a set of processor-specific software instructions that enables and manages the features and functions of a specific processor type. Each system contains the latest available microcode version for each processor type when it leaves the factory (the default microcode). At system startup or reload, the system loads the microcode for each processor type present in the system.

**Note** In the Cisco 7000 series, the SP (or SSP) and each interface processor contain a default microcode image in ROM. Also, effective with Software Release 9.17(7), the latest available microcode image for each processor type is bundled and distributed with the system image. (For example, Software Release 9.17(7) comprises the system image and six microcode images: sp1-5, eip1-0, trip1-1, fip1-3, fsip1-1, and hip1-1.)

The default HIP microcode resides on ROM in socket U133. New microcode is released to enable new features, improve performance, or fix bugs in earlier versions. The Cisco 7000 series and Cisco 7500 series routers feature downloadable software and microcode for most upgrades. These features enable you to download new (upgraded) images remotely, store the images in router memory, and load the new images at system startup without having to physically access the router. You can store multiple versions for a specific processor type, and use configuration commands to specify which version the system should load at startup. All interfaces of the same type (for example, all HIPs) use the same microcode image. Although most upgrades can be downloaded, some exceptions require ROM replacement to ensure proper startup and operation.

Microcode images that are bundled with the system image load automatically along with the new software image; however, you can use configuration commands to override the bundled microcode image and instead load an image from ROM or a Flash file. For configuration instructions, refer to the section “Upgrading and Configuring Microcode” on page 25.
**HIP Cables**

Two types of cables are available for use with the HIP: the HSSI interface cable used to connect your router to an external DSU (and HSSI network) and a null modem cable, which allows you to connect two routers back to back.

**HSSI Interface Cable**

The HSSI interface cable connects the HIP with the external DSU. Figure 2 shows the 50-pin connector used at each end of the HSSI interface cable. Table 1 lists the connector pinouts.

**Figure 2  HSSI Interface Cable Connector**

![HSSI Interface Cable Connector](image)

**Table 1  HSSI Interface Cable Pinout**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Signal Name</th>
<th>Pin No. + Side (Router End)</th>
<th>Direction</th>
<th>Pin No. – Side (DSU End)</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>SG (Signal Ground)</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>—</td>
<td>26</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>RT (Receive Timing)</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>&lt;—</td>
<td>27</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CA (DCE Available)</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>&lt;—</td>
<td>28</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>RD (Receive Data reserved)</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>&lt;—</td>
<td>29</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>LC (Loopback circuit C)</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>&lt;—</td>
<td>30</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ST (Send Timing)</td>
<td>6</td>
<td>&lt;—</td>
<td>31</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SG (Signal Ground)</td>
<td>7</td>
<td>—</td>
<td>32</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>TA (DTE Available)</td>
<td>8</td>
<td>—&gt;</td>
<td>33</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>TT (Terminal Timing)</td>
<td>9</td>
<td>—&gt;</td>
<td>34</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>LA (Loopback circuit A)</td>
<td>10</td>
<td>—&gt;</td>
<td>35</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SD (Send Data)</td>
<td>11</td>
<td>—&gt;</td>
<td>36</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>LB (Loopback circuit B)</td>
<td>12</td>
<td>—&gt;</td>
<td>37</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SG (Signal Ground)</td>
<td>13</td>
<td>—</td>
<td>38</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5 (Ancillary to DCE)</td>
<td>14–18</td>
<td>—&gt;</td>
<td>39–43</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SG (Signal Ground)</td>
<td>19</td>
<td>—</td>
<td>44</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5 (Ancillary from DCE)</td>
<td>20–24</td>
<td>&lt;—</td>
<td>45–49</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SG (Signal Ground)</td>
<td>25</td>
<td>—</td>
<td>50</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

1. Router is + side (DTE). DSU is – side (DCE).
**Caution** Although the HIP connector and the HSSI interface cable are similar to SCSI-II format, they are not identical. The HSSI cable specification is more stringent than that for the SCSI-II. If a SCSI-II cable is used instead of an HSSI interface cable, proper operation cannot be guaranteed.

**HSSI Null Modem Cable**

The null modem cable can connect two routers directly, back to back. The two routers must be in the same location and can be two Cisco 7000 series and Cisco 7500 series routers, two AGS+ routers, or one of each. A null modem connection allows you to verify the operation of the HSSI or to link the routers directly in order to build a larger node.

The null modem cable uses the same 50-pin connectors as the HSSI interface cable, but uses the pinouts listed in Table 2. For connection and configuration instructions, refer to the section “Connecting a Null Modem Cable” on page 28.

**Table 2  HSSI Null Modem Cable Pinout**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Signal Name</th>
<th>From Pins</th>
<th>Direction</th>
<th>To Pins</th>
<th>Signal Name</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>RT (Receive Timing)</td>
<td>2, 27</td>
<td>—&gt;</td>
<td>9, 34</td>
<td>TT (Terminal Timing)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CA (DCE available)</td>
<td>3, 28</td>
<td>—&gt;</td>
<td>8, 33</td>
<td>TA (DTE Available)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>RD (Receive Data)</td>
<td>4, 29</td>
<td>—&gt;</td>
<td>11, 36</td>
<td>SD (Send Data)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>LC (Loopback C)</td>
<td>5, 30</td>
<td>—&gt;</td>
<td>10, 35</td>
<td>LA (Loopback A)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ST (Send Timing)</td>
<td>6, 31</td>
<td>—&gt;</td>
<td>6, 31</td>
<td>ST (Send Timing)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>TA (DTE available)</td>
<td>8, 33</td>
<td>—&gt;</td>
<td>3, 28</td>
<td>CA (DCE Available)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>TT (Terminal Timing)</td>
<td>9, 34</td>
<td>—&gt;</td>
<td>2, 27</td>
<td>RT (Receive Timing)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>LA (Loopback A)</td>
<td>10, 35</td>
<td>—&gt;</td>
<td>5, 30</td>
<td>LC (Loopback C)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SD (Send Data)</td>
<td>11, 36</td>
<td>—&gt;</td>
<td>4, 29</td>
<td>RD (Receive Data)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>GND (Ground)</td>
<td>1, 26, 7, 32, 13, 38, 19, 44, 25, 50</td>
<td></td>
<td>1, 26, 7, 32, 13, 38, 19, 44, 25, 50</td>
<td>GND (Ground)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Loopback (not connected)</td>
<td>12, 37</td>
<td></td>
<td>12, 37</td>
<td>Loopback (not connected)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Not used</td>
<td>14–18, 20–24, 39–43, 45–49</td>
<td></td>
<td>14–18, 20–24, 39–43, 45–49</td>
<td>Not used</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
What Is the Cisco 7000 Series?

The Cisco 7000 series consists of the seven-slot Cisco 7000 and the five-slot Cisco 7010. Both models use the same Route Processor (RP), Switch Processor (SP), Silicon Switch Processor (SSP) and interface processors. The Cisco 7000 provides five interface slots and offers a second modular power supply for redundant power. The Cisco 7010 provides three interface processor slots, and offers the same performance as the Cisco 7000 at a lower cost.

Figure 3 shows the interface processor end of the Cisco 7000, which provides access to the seven slots and the removable power supplies. When facing the interface processor end of the chassis, the RP and SP (or SSP) slot are on the far right. The five interface processor slots are numbered 0 to 4 from left to right.

Figure 3  Cisco 7000, Interface Processor End
Figure 4 shows the interface processor end of the Cisco 7010 model, which provides access to the five slots, the AC input receptacle, the power switch, and a power status indicator. When facing the interface processor end of the chassis, the RP and SP (or SSP) slots are at the top. The three interface processor slots are numbered from the bottom up from slot 0 through 2 (the center slot).

**Figure 4  Cisco 7010, Interface Processor End**

In both models, interface processor slots support any combination of network interface types: Ethernet, Fast Ethernet, Token Ring, Fiber Distributed Data Interface (FDDI), serial, channel attachment, multichannel interface, and HSSI. The RP, SP (or SSP), and interface processors are keyed with guides on the backplane to prevent them from being fully inserted in the wrong slot.

**What Is the Cisco 7500 Series?**

The Cisco 7500 series consists of three router models: the Cisco 7505, the Cisco 7507, and the Cisco 7513. All three models provide high reliability, availability, serviceability, and performance. The three systems support multiprotocol, multimedia routing, and bridging with a wide variety of protocols and any combination of Ethernet, Fast Ethernet, Token Ring, Fiber Distributed Data Interface (FDDI), serial, multichannel, channel attachment, and High-Speed Serial Interface (HSSI) media. Network interfaces reside on modular interface processors, which provide a direct connection between the high-speed, 1.067-gigabits-per-second (Gbps) Cisco Extended Bus (CyBus) and the external networks.

**Note**  The Cisco 7507 and Cisco 7513 have dual CyBuses, for an aggregate bandwidth of 2.134 Gbps.
Figure 5 shows the rear of the five-slot Cisco 7505 router. In the Cisco 7505, one slot (4) is reserved for the Route Switch Processor (RSP1), which contains the system processor and performs packet switching functions. Slots 0 through 3 are for interface processors.

Figure 5  Cisco 7505, Interface Processor End
Figure 6 shows the rear of the seven-slot Cisco 7507 router. In the Cisco 7507, up to two slots (2 and 3) are reserved for the Route Switch Processor (RSP2), which contains the system processor and performs packet switching functions. Slots 0 and 1, and 4 through 6 are for interface processors.

**Figure 6  Cisco 7507, Interface Processor End**
Figure 7 shows the rear of the Cisco 7513, with two AC-input power supplies installed. Two slots (6 and 7) are reserved for the second generation Route Switch Processor (RSP2), which contains the system processor and performs packet switching functions. Slots 0 through 5, and 8 through 12 are for interface processors.

**Figure 7   Cisco 7513, Interface Processor End**
Installation Prerequisites

Before you install the HIP, review the safety and ESD-prevention guidelines in this section to avoid injuring yourself or damaging the equipment. This section also lists the software requirements and provides a list of parts and tools you will need to perform the installation.

Software Prerequisites

The HIP is compatible with any Cisco 7000 series and Cisco 7500 series router that is operating with the following software and microcode:

- In the Cisco 7000 series, Cisco IOS Release 9.17(3) or later.
- In the Cisco 7000 series, SP (or SSP) microcode must be Version 1.2 (sp1-2) or later.

**Note** If you are using HIP Microcode Version 1.2 and Maintenance Release 9.17(7) or earlier, the system will default to a 32-bit CRC. If you are using HIP Microcode Version 1.2 and Maintenance Release 9.17(8) or later, the system will default to a 16-bit CRC. If you are using HIP Microcode Version 1.3, any software release will cause the system to default to a 16-bit CRC.

- Any currently shipping Cisco 7500 series router can be used with the HIP.

The `show version` command displays the current hardware configuration of the router, including the system software version that is currently loaded and running. The `show microcode` command lists the following: the current hardware version of installed processor modules, the currently loaded and running microcode version for each processor type, and the target microcode version. (Refer to the section “Command Descriptions and Examples” on page 29.)

You can determine the current version of software or microcode stored in ROM either by removing the processor module and checking the ROM labels or by configuring the system to boot the system software or microcode from ROM, reloading the system, and using show commands to check the version that is loaded and running. For basic configuration information, refer to the section “Configuring the HIP” on page 21. Also refer to the *Router Products Configuration Guide* for complete configuration instructions and examples.

If the displays indicate that the required system software and microcode is not available in your system, contact a customer service representative for upgrade information. (Refer to the section “Cisco Information Online” on page 31.)

Safety

This section lists safety guidelines you should follow when working with any equipment that connects to electrical power or telephone wiring.

Electrical Equipment

Follow these basic guidelines when working with any electrical equipment:

- Before beginning any procedures requiring access to the chassis interior, locate the emergency power-off switch for the room in which you are working.
- Disconnect all power and external cables before moving a chassis.
- Do not work alone when potentially hazardous conditions exist.
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- Never assume that power has been disconnected from a circuit; always check.
- Do not perform any action that creates a potential hazard to people or makes the equipment unsafe.
- Carefully examine your work area for possible hazards such as moist floors, ungrounded power extension cables, and missing safety grounds.

Telephone Wiring

Use the following guidelines when working with any equipment that is connected to telephone wiring or to other network cabling:

- Never install telephone wiring during a lightning storm.
- Never install telephone jacks in wet locations unless the jack is specifically designed for wet locations.
- Never touch uninsulated telephone wires or terminals unless the telephone line has been disconnected at the network interface.
- Use caution when installing or modifying telephone lines.

Preventing Electrostatic Discharge Damage

Electrostatic discharge (ESD) damage, which can occur when electronic cards or components are improperly handled, results in complete or intermittent failures. Each processor module contains a printed circuit card that is fixed in a metal carrier. Electromagnetic interference (EMI) shielding, connectors, and a handle are integral components of the carrier. Although the metal carrier helps to protect the board from ESD, use an ESD-preventive wrist or ankle strap whenever you handle any electronic system component. Handle processor modules by the handles and the carrier edges only; never touch the boards or connector pins.

Following are guidelines for preventing ESD damage:

- Always use an ESD-preventive wrist or ankle strap and ensure that it makes good skin contact.
- When working at the interface processor end of the chassis, connect the equipment end of the strap to a captive installation screw on an installed interface processor or an unfinished chassis surface.
- When installing a processor module, use the ejector levers to properly seat the bus connectors in the backplane, then tighten both captive installation screws. These screws prevent accidental removal, provide proper grounding for the system, and help to ensure that the bus connectors are seated in the backplane.
- Handle processor modules by the carrier handles and carrier edges only; never touch the board or any connector pins.
- When you remove a processor module, place it board side up on an antistatic surface or in a static shielding bag. If you plan to return the module to the factory, immediately place it in a static shielding bag.
- Avoid contact between electronic equipment and clothing. Antistatic straps only protect the equipment from ESD voltages on the body; ESD voltages on clothing can still cause damage.

Caution  For safety, periodically check the resistance value of the antistatic strap. The measurement should be between 1 and 10 megohms.
Online Insertion and Removal—An Overview

Online insertion and removal (OIR) allows you to remove and replace interface processors while the system is operating; you do not need to notify the software or shut down the system power. This section describes the mechanical functions of the system components and stresses the importance of following the correct procedures to avoid unnecessary restarts or card failures. This section is for background information only. Subsequent sections provide specific procedures for removing and installing an AIP. All CxBus and CyBus interface processors support OIR.

Each processor module contains a bus connector with which it connects to the system backplane. The bus connector is a set of tiered pins, in three lengths. The pins send specific signals to the system as they make contact with the backplane. The system assesses the signals it receives and the order in which it receives them to determine what event is occurring and what task it needs to perform, such as reinitializing new interfaces or shutting down removed ones. For example, when you insert an interface processor, the longest pins make contact with the backplane first, and the shortest pins make contact last. The system recognizes the signals and the sequence in which it receives them. The system expects to receive signals from the individual pins in this logical sequence, and the ejector levers help to ensure that the pins mate in this sequence.

When you remove or insert an interface processor, the backplane pins send signals to notify the system, which then performs as follows:

1. Rapidly scans the backplane for configuration changes and does not reset any interfaces.
2. Initializes all newly inserted interface processors, noting any removed interfaces and placing them in the administratively shutdown state.
3. Brings all previously configured interfaces on the interface processor back to the state they were in when they were removed. Any newly inserted interfaces are put in the administratively shut down state, as if they were present (but unconfigured) at boot time. If a similar interface processor type has been reinserted into a slot, then its ports are configured and brought online up to the port count of the original interface processor.

OIR functionality enables you to add, remove, or replace interface processors with the system online, which provides a method that is seamless to end users on the network, maintains all routing information, and ensures session preservation.

When you insert a new interface processor, the system runs a diagnostic test on the new interfaces and compares them to the existing configuration. If this initial diagnostic test fails, the system remains off line for another 15 seconds while it performs a second set of diagnostic tests to determine whether or not the interface processor is faulty and if normal system operation is possible.

If the second diagnostic test passes, which indicates that the system is operating normally and the new interface processor is faulty, the system resumes normal operation but leaves the new interfaces disabled. If the second diagnostic test fails, the system crashes, which usually indicates that the new interface processor has created a problem on the bus and should be removed.

The system brings online only interfaces that match the current configuration and were previously configured as up; all other interfaces require that you configure them with the `configure` command. On interface processors with multiple interfaces, only the interfaces that have already been configured are brought online. The new interface remains in the administratively shutdown state until you configure it and bring it online.

The function of the ejector levers (see Figure 8) is to align and seat the card connectors in the backplane. Failure to use the ejectors and insert the interface processor properly can disrupt the order in which the pins make contact with the backplane.
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- Using the handle to force the interface processor all the way into the slot can pop the ejectors out of their springs. If you then try to use the ejectors to seat the interface processor, the first layer of pins (which are already mated to the backplane) can disconnect and then remate with the backplane, which the system interprets as a board failure.

- Using the handle to force or slam the interface processor all the way into the slot can also damage the pins on the board connectors if they are not aligned properly with the backplane.

- When using the handle (rather than the ejectors) to seat the interface processor in the backplane, you may need to pull the interface processor back out and push it in again to align it properly. Even if the connector pins are not damaged, the pins mating with and disconnecting from the backplane will cause the system to interpret a board failure. Using the ejectors ensures that the board connector mates with the backplane in one continuous movement.

- Using the handle to insert or remove an interface processor, or failing to push the ejectors to the full 90-degree position, can leave some (not all) of the connector pins mated to the backplane, a state which will hang the system. Using the ejectors and making sure that they are pushed fully into position ensures that all three layers of pins are mated with (or free from) the backplane.

It is also important to use the ejector levers when removing an interface processor to ensure that the board connector pins disconnect from the backplane in the logical sequence expected by the system. Any processor module that is only partially connected to the backplane can hang the bus. Detailed steps for correctly performing OIR are included with the following procedures for installing and removing a FIP.
Installation Prerequisites

Figure 8  Ejector Lever and Captive Installation Screw

- Interface processor card slot
- Ejector lever
- Interface processor card carrier guide (black)
- Captive installation screw

Insertion.

Figure 9  Interface Processor Cards

- Interface processor card
- Carrier guide (black)
- Installation screw

Installation Guide.

Figure 10  Interface Processor Card Installation

- Installation guide
- Interface processor card
- Installation screws

Installation Procedure.

Figure 11  Ejector Lever and Captive Installation Screw

- Interface processor card slot
- Ejector lever
- Interface processor card carrier guide (black)
- Captive installation screw

Procedure.

Figure 12  Interface Processor Cards

- Interface processor card
- Carrier guide (black)
- Installation screw

Procedure Guide.

Figure 13  Interface Processor Card Installation

- Installation guide
- Interface processor card
- Installation screws

Procedure.
Installation

Required Parts and Tools

You need the following tools and parts to install or replace a HIP. If you need additional equipment, contact a service representative for ordering information.

- Number 2 Phillips or 1/4-inch flatblade screwdriver for the captive installation screws on the HIP. (Although most interface processors use slotted screws, some interface processor carriers use Phillips screws.)
- HSSI interface cable to connect each new HIP to the DSU, or a null modem cable to connect two routers back to back.
- T3 or E3 DSU to connect each new HIP that you install with the external network.
- ESD-preventive wrist strap or other device for preventing ESD damage.
- Interface processor filler if you are removing a HIP and not installing a new HIP or other interface processor in the empty slot.

Installation

The following sections provide a functional overview of online insertion and removal (OIR), and describe the procedures for installing or replacing interface processors in Cisco 7000 series and Cisco 7500 series routers. Before installing any new interfaces, ensure that your system meets the minimum software and microcode requirements described in the section “Required Parts and Tools” on page 16.

The OIR feature allows you to remove and install a HIP without turning off system power. However, you must follow the insertion instructions carefully; for example, failure to use the ejector levers or insert the HIP properly can cause system error messages indicating a board failure.

Caution  To avoid unnecessary errors, read the following section before replacing a HIP.

Each unused interface processor slot contains an interface processor filler (which is an interface processor carrier without an interface board) to keep dust out of the chassis and to maintain proper air flow through the interface processor compartment. If you install a new HIP, select an empty interface processor slot and remove the interface processor filler. If you replace a HIP, you can retain the existing interface configuration by removing the existing HIP and installing the new one in the same slot.

Following the OIR overview, proceed to the section “Removing a HIP or an Interface Processor Filler” for instructions on making an interface processor slot available for the new HIP, then for the installation instructions, refer to the section “Installing a HIP” on page 18. After the new HIP is secure, to verify that it is installed and functioning properly, follow the procedures in the section “Checking the Installation.”
Removing a HIP or an Interface Processor Filler

If you are installing a new HIP, select an available slot and remove the interface processor filler. If you are replacing a HIP, first remove the existing HIP and immediately place it component side up on an antistatic surface, then insert the new HIP in the same slot to retain the previous configuration for the new HSSI interface.

Figure 9 shows proper handling of an interface processor for installation in the Cisco 7010 and Cisco 7505 models. The processor slots are oriented horizontally in the Cisco 7010 and Cisco 7505, and vertically in the Cisco 7000, Cisco 7507, and Cisco 7513.

Figure 8 shows the functions of the ejector levers in the correct orientation for the horizontal processor slots in a Cisco 7010 and Cisco 7505 chassis. In a Cisco 7000, Cisco 7507, and Cisco 7513 chassis, the function of the ejectors is the same, but the orientation is rotated 90 degrees clockwise for the vertical processor slots.

Refer to Figure 8 while performing the following steps to remove a HIP or interface processor filler. If you are removing an interface processor filler, proceed to step 2. If you are replacing an existing HIP, begin at step 1.

**Step 1** Disconnect the interface cable from the HIP interface port.

**Step 2** Use a screwdriver to loosen both the captive installation screws on the HIP or interface processor filler. (See Figure 8a.)

**Step 3** Place your thumbs on the ends of each of the ejectors and simultaneously pull them both outward, away from the interface port (in the opposite direction from that shown in Figure 8c) to release the carrier from the slot. If you are removing a HIP, this also releases the HIP bus connector from the backplane.

**Step 4** Grasp the handle with one hand and pull the HIP or interface processor filler straight out of the slot, keeping your other hand under the carrier to guide it. (See Figure 9.) Keep the carrier parallel to the backplane. Avoid touching the board or any connector pins.
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Step 5  Place the removed HIP on an antistatic mat or foam pad, or place it in an antistatic bag if you will return it to the factory. If you removed an interface processor filler, store the filler in case you need it later to fill a vacated slot.

Step 6  If the interface processor slot is to remain empty, install an interface processor filler to keep dust out of the chassis and to maintain proper air flow through the interface processor compartment.

This completes the removal procedure. Proceed to the next section to install a new HIP.

Installing a HIP

The HIP slides into any available interface processor slot and connects directly to the backplane. The backplane slots are keyed so that the HIP can be installed only in an interface processor slot. Figure 8 shows the functional details of inserting an interface processor and using the ejectors. Figure 9 shows proper handling of an interface processor during installation.

Caution  Remove or insert only one interface processor at a time. Allow at least 15 seconds for the system to complete the preceding tasks before removing or inserting another interface processor. Disrupting the sequence before the system has completed its verification can cause the system to assume that there has been a hardware failure.

Follow these steps to install a HIP:

Step 1  Ensure that a console terminal is connected to the RP (or RSP) Console port and that the console is turned ON.

Step 2  Choose an available interface processor slot for the HIP (see Figure 3, Figure 4, Figure 5, Figure 6, or Figure 7 for your router model), and ensure that the HSSI interface cable is of sufficient length to connect the HIP with the DSU.

Step 3  Hold the HIP handle with one hand, and place your other hand under the carrier to support the HIP and guide it into the slot. (See Figure 9.) Avoid touching the board or any connector pins.

Step 4  Place the back of the HIP in the slot and align the notches along the edge of the carrier with the grooves in the slot. (See Figure 8a.)

Step 5  While keeping the carrier parallel to the backplane, carefully slide the HIP into the slot until the back of the faceplate makes contact with the ejector levers, then stop. (See Figure 8b.)

Caution  Always use the ejector levers when installing or removing interface processor modules. A module that is partially seated in the backplane will cause the system to halt and subsequently crash, and shoving or slamming the interface processor into the slot can damage the backplane and connector pins.

Step 6  Using the thumb and forefinger of each hand to pinch each ejector, simultaneously push both ejectors inward (toward the interface ports) until they snap into place and are parallel to the faceplate. (See Figure 8c.)
Step 7  Use a screwdriver to tighten the two captive screws on the interface processor faceplate to prevent the interface processor from becoming partially dislodged from the backplane and to ensure proper EMI shielding. (These screws must be tightened to meet EMI specifications.)

Step 8  If you are installing an interface processor filler, the installation is complete. If you are installing a HIP, proceed to the next step.

Step 9  Attach an HSSI network interface cable between the HIP interface port and the DSU.

This completes the installation. Proceed to the next section to check the installation.

Checking the Installation

After you install the HIP, verify the installation by observing the LED states and the console display. When the system has reinitialized all interfaces, the enabled LED on the HIP and on all interface processors should go on. The console screen will also display a message as the system discovers each interface during its reinitialization.

When you remove and replace interface processors, the system provides status messages on the console screen. These messages are for information only. The following sample display shows the events logged by the system as a HIP was removed from slot 1; the system then reinitialized the remaining interface processors and marked as down the HIP that was removed from slot 1. When the HIP was reinserted, the system marked the interface as up again because the HSSI interface was not shut down before the HIP was removed.

```
Router#
%OIR-6-REMCARD: Card removed from slot 1, interfaces disabled
%LINK-5-CHANGED: Interface Hssi1/0, changed state to administratively down
```

```
Router#
%OIR-6-INSCARD: Card inserted in slot 1, interfaces administratively shut down
%LINK-5-CHANGED: Interface Hssi1/0, changed state to up
```

When a new HIP is inserted or when a HIP is moved to a new slot, the system recognizes the new HSSI interface, but leaves the interface in a down state until you configure it and change the state to up with the configure command. The following example display shows the events logged by the system as a new HIP is inserted in slot 3:

```
Router#
%OIR-6-INSCARD: Card inserted in slot 3, interfaces administratively shut down
```

Verify that the HIP is installed correctly as follows:

Step 1  While the system reinitializes each interface, observe the messages on the console display and verify that the system discovers the HIP as follows:

- If you installed a new HIP, the system should recognize the new HSSI interface but leave the interface configured as down.
- If you replaced a HIP, the system should recognize the interface and place it in the same state (up or down) it was in before you removed the first HIP.
- If the router fails to boot, displays an error message, or fails to recognize the HIP, remove the HIP and reboot. If the router boots successfully, verify that the currently running system software and microcode meet the minimum requirements for HIP operation. (Refer to the section “Required Parts and Tools” on page 16.)

Step 2  When the reinitialization is complete, verify that the enabled LED on the HIP goes on and remains on. If it does, proceed to step 5. If it does not, proceed to the following step.
Step 3 If the enabled LED on the HIP fails to go on, suspect that the HIP board connector is not fully seated in the backplane. Loosen the captive installation screws, then firmly push the ejectors inward (toward the interface port) until both are parallel to the HIP faceplate. Tighten the captive installation screws. After the system reinitializes the interfaces, the enabled LED on the HIP should go on. If it does, proceed to step 5. If it does not, proceed to the following step.

Step 4 If the enabled LED still fails to go on, remove the HIP and try installing it in another available interface processor slot.
- If the enabled LED goes on when the HIP is installed in the new slot, there could be a failed backplane port in the original interface processor slot.
- If the enabled LED still fails to go on, but other LEDs on the HIP are on and indicate activity, the enabled LED on the HIP has probably failed. Proceed to step 5 to resume the installation check.
- If no LEDs on the HIP go on, the HIP is probably faulty.
- If the enabled LED still does not go on, do not proceed with the installation. Contact a service representative to report the faulty equipment and obtain further instructions. (Instructions for obtaining technical assistance are provided at the end of this document.)

Step 5 If the HSSI interface is new, proceed to the section “Configuring the HIP” on page 21 to configure the new interface. (This does not have to be done immediately, but the interface will not be available until you configure it.)

If this installation was a replacement HIP, use the show interfaces or show controllers cxbus command to verify the status of the HSSI interface. (Refer to the section “Command Descriptions and Examples” on page 29 for brief descriptions of the show commands.)

Step 6 When the HSSI interface is up, check the activity of the interface with the HIP LEDs. Refer to the state descriptions in the section “HIP LEDs” on page 2 and to Figure 10.

Figure 10 HIP LEDs

If an error message is displayed on the console terminal, refer to the appropriate software publication for error message definitions. If you experience other problems that you are unable to solve, contact a service representative for assistance.

This completes the HIP installation. If you installed a new HIP, you must now configure the new HSSI interface, as described in the following section.
Configuring the HIP

If you installed a new HIP or if you want to change the configuration of an existing interface, you must enter the configuration mode. If you replaced a HIP that was previously configured, the system will recognize the new HIP and bring it up in the existing configuration.

After you verify that the new HIP is installed correctly (the enabled LED goes on—see Figure 10), use the privileged-level `configure` command to configure the new HSSI interface.

Be prepared with the information you will need, including the following:
- Protocols you plan to route on the new interface.
- Internet Protocol addresses if you plan to configure the interface for Internet Protocol (IP) routing.
- Whether the new interface will use bridging.
- If you are using HSSI over AppleTalk, you need a Phase 2 address to enable fast switching.
- Whether you will configure a special (32-bit) CRC on the interface. (The default is 16-bit CRC.) When using 32-bit CRC, both ends of the connection must be configured for a 32-bit CRC, and the hardware version of your HIP must be compatible with 32-bit CRC. For a description of the CRC function, refer to the section “Configuring Cyclic Redundancy Checks” on page 24.

Note If you are using HIP Microcode Version 1.2 and Maintenance Release 9.17(7) or earlier, the system will default to a 32-bit CRC. If you are using HIP Microcode Version 1.2 and Maintenance Release 9.17(8) or later, the system will default to a 16-bit CRC. If you are using HIP Microcode Version 1.3, any software release will cause the system to default to a 16-bit CRC.

Refer to the appropriate software documentation for descriptions of the configuration options available and instructions for configuring an HSSI interface.

The `configure` command requires privileged-level access to the EXEC command interpreter, which usually requires a password. Refer to the description that follows and contact your system administrator if necessary to obtain access.

Using the EXEC Command Interpreter

Before using the `configure` command, enter the privileged level of the EXEC command interpreter with the `enable` command. The system will prompt you for a password if one has been set.

The system prompt for the privileged level ends with a pound sign (#) instead of an angle bracket (>). At the console terminal, enter the privileged level as follows:

**Step 1** At the user-level EXEC prompt, enter the `enable` command. The EXEC prompts you for a privileged-level password, as follows:

```
Router> enable
Password:
```

**Step 2** Enter the password (the password is case-sensitive). For security purposes, the password you enter is not echoed to the screen.
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**Step 3** When you enter the correct password, the system displays the privileged-level system prompt (#) as follows:

    Router#  

Proceed to the following sections to shut down and configure the HSSI interface.

**Shutting Down an Interface**

Before removing an interface that you will not replace, or replacing a microcode ROM or other replaceable interface processor component, shut down (disable) the interfaces to prevent anomalies when you reinstall the new or reconfigured interface processor. When you shut down an interface, it is designated *administratively down* in the *show* command displays.

Follow these steps to shut down an interface:

**Step 1** Enter the privileged level of the EXEC command interpreter. (Refer to the previous section for instructions.)

**Step 2** At the privileged-level prompt, enter the configuration mode and specify that the console terminal will be the source of the configuration subcommands as follows:

    Router# configure terminal
    Router(config)#

**Step 3** Specify the slot/port address of the first interface that you want to shut down by entering the subcommand `interface`, followed by the type (hssi) and slot/port (interface processor slot number/0). The example that follows is for a HIP in interface processor slot 1:

    Router(config)# interface hssi 1/0

**Step 4** Enter the `shutdown` command as follows:

    Router(config-int)# shutdown

**Step 5** To shut down additional interfaces, enter the slot/port address of each additional interface followed by the `shutdown` command. When you have entered all the interfaces to be shut down, press `Ctrl-z` (hold down the Control key while you press `z`) to exit configuration mode and return to the EXEC command interpreter prompt, as shown following:

    Router(config-int)# interface hssi 0/0
    Router(config-int)# shutdown
    Router(config-int)# interface hssi 2/0
    Router(config-int)# shutdown
    Router(config-int)# ^z
    Router#

**Step 6** Write the new configuration to nonvolatile random access memory (NVRAM) as follows:

    Router# copy running-config startup-config
    [OK]
    Router#

The system displays an OK message when the configuration has been stored.
Step 7  To verify that new interfaces are now in the correct state (shut down), use the `show interface hssi slot/port` command to display the specific interface, or use the `show interfaces` command, without variables, to display the status of all interfaces in the system.

```console
Router# show interface hssi 1/0
Hssi 1/0 is administratively down, line protocol is down
   Hardware is cxBus HIP
   [additional display text omitted]
```

Step 8  To reenable the interfaces, repeat the previous steps but use the `no shutdown` command (in step 4), then write the new configuration to NVRAM as follows:

```console
Router(config-int)# interface hssi 1/0
Router(config-int)# no shutdown
Router(config-int)# ^z

Router# copy running-config startup-config
[OK]
Router# show interface hssi 1/0
Hssi 1/0 is up, line protocol is up
   Hardware is cxBus HIP
   [additional display text omitted]
```

For complete descriptions of configuration commands, refer to the *Router Products Configuration Guide* publication.

### Configuring an Interface

Following are instructions for a basic configuration: enabling an interface and specifying IP routing. Depending on the requirements for your system configuration and the protocols you plan to route on the interface, you might also need to enter other configuration subcommands.

Cisco 7000 series and Cisco 7500 series routers identify an interface address by its slot number and port number (port numbers 0 through 7, depending on the interface processor type) in the format slot/port. Because each HIP contains a single HSSI interface, the port number is always 0. For example, the slot/port address of an HSSI interface installed in interface processor slot 1 is 1/0.

The following steps show a basic configuration. Press **Return** after each configuration step unless otherwise noted.

**Step 1**  At the privileged-mode prompt, enter the configuration mode and specify that the console terminal will be the source of the configuration subcommands as follows:

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

**Step 2**  Specify the new HSSI interface to configure by entering the subcommand `interface`, followed by the type (hssi) and slot/port (interface processor slot number/0). The example that follows is for a HIP in interface processor slot 1:

```console
Router(config)# interface hssi 1/0
```

**Step 3**  If IP routing is enabled on the system, you can assign an IP address and subnet mask to the interface with the `ip address` configuration subcommand as in the following example:

```console
Router(config-int)# ip address 145.22.4.67 255.255.255.0
```
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**Step 4**  Change the shutdown state to *up* and enable the HSSI interface as follows:

```
Router(config-int)# no shutdown
```

**Step 5**  Add any additional configuration subcommands that are required to enable routing protocols and adjust the interface characteristics.

**Step 6**  When you have entered all the necessary configuration subcommands, press **Ctrl-z** (hold down the Control key while you press z) to exit configuration mode.

**Step 7**  Store the new configuration in NVRAM with the **write memory** command as follows:

```
Router# copy running-config startup-config
[OK]
Router#
```

The system will display an OK message when the configuration has been stored.

**Step 8**  Exit the privileged level and return to the user level by entering **disable** at the prompt as follows:

```
Router# disable
Router>
```

Proceed to the following sections to check the interface configuration with **show** commands.

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Configuring Cyclic Redundancy Checks

The HIP uses a 16-bit CRC by default, but also supports a 32-bit CRC, depending on the hardware version of your HIP.

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**Note**  To determine if your HIP will support a 32-bit CRC, use the **show diag** command. If the resulting display indicates Part Number 81-0050-01, Hardware Version 1.0, you cannot use the CRC-32 feature. If the display indicates Part Number 81-0050-02, Hardware Version 1.1, you can use the CRC-32 feature.

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CRC is an error-checking technique that uses a calculated numeric value to detect errors in transmitted data. The sender of a data frame divides the bits in the frame message by a predetermined number to calculate a remainder or *frame check sequence* (FCS). Before it sends the frame, the sender appends the FCS value to the message so that the frame contents are exactly divisible by the predetermined number. The receiver divides the frame contents by the same predetermined number that the sender used to calculate the FCS. If the result is not 0, the receiver assumes that a transmission error occurred and sends a request to the sender to resend the frame.

The designators 16 and 32 indicate the number of check digits per frame that are used to calculate the FCS. CRC-16, which transmits streams of 8-bit characters, generates a 16-bit FCS. CRC-32, which transmits streams of 16-bit characters, generates a 32-bit FCS. CRC-32 transmits longer streams at faster rates, and, therefore, provides better ongoing error correction with fewer retransmissions. To prevent errors, both the sender and the receiver must use the same CRC setting.

The default for all HIP interfaces is for 16-bit CRC.
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**Note** If you are using HIP Microcode Version 1.2 and Maintenance Release 9.17(7) or earlier in your Cisco 7000 series router, the system will default to a 32-bit CRC. If you are using HIP Microcode Version 1.2 and Maintenance Release 9.17(8) or later, the system will default to a 16-bit CRC. If you are using HIP Microcode Version 1.3, any software release will cause the system to default to a 16-bit CRC.

To enable 32-bit CRC on an interface, follow steps 1 and 2 of the preceding procedure (enter configuration mode and specify the slot and port address of the hssi interface) and enter the command `crc32`. Enter `Ctrl-z` to exit from configuration mode.

In the example that follows, a HIP in interface processor slot 2 is configured for 32-bit CRC:

```
Router# configure terminal
Enter configuration commands, one per line. End with CNTL/Z.
Router(config)#
Router(config)# interface hssi 2/0
Router(config-int)# crc32
Router(config-int)# ^z
```

To disable CRC-32 and return to the default CRC-16 setting, specify the slot and port address and use the `no crc32` command. For complete command descriptions and instructions, refer to the related software documentation.

**Note** When enabling a 32-bit CRC on an interface, ensure that the remote device is also configured for a 32-bit CRC. Both the sender and the receiver must use the same CRC setting.

Upgrading and Configuring Microcode

At system startup or reload, the system loads a microcode image for each processor type. The factory default for Cisco 7000 series systems running Software Release 9.17(6) and earlier is to load the images from the individual microcode ROMs on the processors. The default for systems running Software Release 9.17(7) and later is to bypass the ROM microcode and load the microcode images bundled with the system image. All processors of the same type use the same microcode image; only one image for each type can load at startup. This section describes how to modify the startup configuration to load different microcode images at startup, or to change existing configuration instructions and reenable the system default.

**Note** This section describes how to configure the system to load specific microcode images that are already stored in the router’s memory; it does not provide instructions for downloading new images from floppy disk or a remote server, or for replacing microcode ROMs. For those upgrade instructions, refer to *Upgrading System Software and Microcode in Cisco 7000 Series Routers* (Document Number 78-1144-xx).

In order to use the new image, you have to modify the configuration file and instruct the system to load the new image stored in Flash memory instead of the ROM image.
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The default is to ignore the ROM microcode and load the microcode images that are bundled with the system image. The ROM images serve as backups; if the system cannot load a bundled microcode image, it will use the ROM image instead.

Whenever you upgrade software or microcode by downloading new images into Flash memory, you must configure the system to load the new image at startup. Otherwise, the system will continue to load the default images from ROM, or attempt to load the previous image (if any) if it is still specified in the configuration file.

To instruct the system to boot a microcode image other than the default at startup, use the configuration command `microcode processor type [flash | rom] filename` to add the instructions to the configuration file. All processors of the same type (for example, all HIPs or all EIPs) will load the same microcode image, either from the default source or from the source you specify.

Follow these steps to configure the microcode for a specific processor:

**Step 1** If you are configuring the system to load a microcode image from ROM, proceed to step 2; otherwise, if you will load a microcode image from an individual file or a bundled system image stored in Flash memory, enter the command `show flash` to display the contents and verify the exact name of the file.

```text
Router# show flash
4096K bytes of flash memory on embedded flash (in RP1).

file   offset    length      name
0     0x40      55410       sp1-2
1     0xD0D4    53364       hip1-1

[4085336/4194304 bytes free]
```

**Step 2** Enter the privileged level of the EXEC command interpreter. (For instructions, refer to the section “Using the EXEC Command Interpreter” on page 21.)

**Step 3** At the privileged-level prompt, enter configuration mode and specify that the console terminal will be the source of the configuration subcommands, as follows:

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

**Step 4** Specify that you are changing the microcode for the HIP (`microcode hip`), then enter the source of the microcode image as follows:

- To load the microcode from ROM, use the following command with the keyword `rom`:

  ```text
  Router(config)# microcode hip rom
  ```

  This command also cancels any existing instructions to load an image from a Flash file; it is equivalent to negating the existing command with the keyword `flash` and the exact Flash filename with the argument `filename` (the filename in the following example is `hip1-1`):

  ```text
  Router(config)# no microcode hip flash hip1-1
  ```

- To load the microcode from an individual microcode image that is stored as a file in Flash memory, use the keyword `flash` and the exact filename with the argument `filename`:

  ```text
  Router(config)# microcode hip flash hip1-1
  ```

**Step 5** To save the configuration file, enter `Ctrl-Z`. 

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Step 6  Copy the new configuration to NVRAM:

```
Router# copy running-config startup-config
[OK]
Router#
```

The `microcode reload` command is automatically invoked whenever you modify the system default for loading microcode images. When you enter `Ctrl-z` to exit from configuration mode and return to the system prompt, the system will automatically reload the microcode and execute the new instructions.

Step 7  To verify that the correct microcode is loaded according to the new instructions, issue the command `show controller cxbus`. The resulting display indicates the currently loaded and running microcode version for each interface processor and the SP (or SSP).

Step 8  To verify the contents of the configuration file, issue the command `show configuration`. You can also verify that the correct system image is configured to load at system restart or reload.

This completes the procedure for configuring microcode. For descriptions of the `show` commands, refer to the section “Command Descriptions and Examples” on page 29.

Checking the Configuration Using show Commands

After configuring the new interface, use the following `show` commands to display the status of the new interface or all interfaces. For detailed command descriptions and examples, refer to the section “Command Descriptions and Examples” on page 29.

- Use the `show version` command to display the system hardware configuration. Ensure that the list includes any new HSSI interfaces.
- Use the `show microcode` command to list the current hardware version of each installed interface processor, the target hardware version, and the currently-loaded and running microcode version for each interface processor type.
- Use the `show controllers cxbus` command to display all of the current interface processors and their interfaces. If you installed a new HIP, verify that it appears in the correct slot.
- Use the `show interfaces hssi slot/port` command to specify new HSSI interfaces. Verify that the first line of the display specifies the interface with the correct slot number. (The port number should be 0.) Also verify that the interface and line protocol are in the correct state: up or down.
- Use the command `show protocols` to display the protocols configured for the entire system and specific interfaces. If necessary, return to configuration mode to add or remove protocol routing on the system or specific interfaces.
- Use the `show microcode` command to list the current hardware version of the interface processor, the currently loaded and running microcode version for each interface processor type, and the target microcode version. The target version indicates the minimum hardware revision that is required for compatibility with the microcode that is running or about to be downloaded.
- Use the `show configuration` command to display the entire system configuration file. Verify that the configuration is accurate for the system and each interface.

If the interface is down and you configured it as up, or if the displays indicate that the hardware is not functioning properly, ensure that the network interface is properly connected and terminated. If you still have problems bringing the interface up, contact a service representative for assistance. For descriptions of the `show` commands, refer to the section “Command Descriptions and Examples” on page 29. This completes the configuration procedure for the new HSSI interface.
Connecting a Null Modem Cable

The null modem cable can connect two routers directly back to back. The two routers must be in the same location, and can be two Cisco 7000 series router, two Cisco 7500 series routers, or one of each. This setup allows you to verify the operation of the HSSI port or to directly link the routers in order to build a larger node. The null modem cable uses the same 50-pin connectors as the HSSI interface cable, but uses the pinouts listed in Table 2.

To connect two routers, attach a null modem cable between an HSSI port on each router. Enable the internal transmit clock in both routers by entering the command `hssi internal-clock`.

**Note** When specifying an interface, the syntax of the `configure` command differs between Cisco 7000 series and Cisco 7500 series and AGS+ interfaces.

You define AGS+ interfaces by interface type and logical interface (unit) number (address), and Cisco 7000 series and Cisco 7500 series interfaces by interface type and physical slot/port location. (The output of the `show interfaces` command displays the logical unit number in both router types and the physical slot/port location in the Cisco 7000 series and Cisco 7500 series.) Both router platforms use the same `hssi internal-clock` command to enable the internal transmit clock on the HSSI interface.

The following examples show the `configure` command syntax for the Cisco 7000 series, Cisco 7500 series, and the AGS+. For complete configuration descriptions and examples, refer to the appropriate software publications.

```plaintext
Cisco7000/7500Series# configure terminal
Enter configuration commands, one per line. End with CNTL/Z.
Router(config)#

Enter configuration commands...

Cisco7000/7500Series(config)# interface hssi 2/0
Cisco7000/7500Series(config-int)# hssi internal-clock
Cisco7000/7500Series(config-int)# ^z

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

Enter configuration commands...

AGS+(config)# interface hssi 0
AGS+(config-int)# hssi internal-clock
AGS+(config-int)# ^z
```

Be sure to configure the HSSI port on both routers for an internal transmit clock. When the internal clock is enabled, the ST LED goes on. When the internal clock is enabled in both routers, the ST and RT LEDs on both of the connected HSSI ports go on. The LEDs on the Cisco 7000 series and Cisco 7500 series HIP, and the AGS+ CSC-(C2)HSCI HSSI interfaces, are identical.

To disconnect the null modem cable, disable the internal transmit clock with the command `no hssi internal-clock`. Use this command to turn off the transmit clock for each port on both routers.
Reference Information

This reference section provides a summary of show commands that you can use to verify the current system status and configuration, guidelines for returning parts to the factory (if you are required to do so), and phone numbers for obtaining technical assistance.

Command Descriptions and Examples

This section describes the various show commands that you can use to display system status and configuration.

The show controllers cxbus command lists all interfaces and includes the currently loaded and running microcode version for each. The show version command displays the current hardware configuration of the router, including the system software version that is currently loaded and running.

You can check the version of the default ROM image either by removing the board and checking the ROM labels or by configuring the interface or system software to boot from ROM, restarting the system, and using these same commands to check version is running.

Use the show version command to display the current system software version, and use the show controllers cxbus command to display the microcode version of the SP (or SSP) and each interface processor. In the following example of the show version command, Cisco IOS Release 9.17(5) is the system software that is running (in a Cisco 7000 series router).

```
Router> show version
GS Software (GS7), Version 9.17(5)
Copyright (c) 1986-1993 by cisco Systems, Inc.
Compiled Mon 09-Aug-93 01:16
System Bootstrap, Version 4.6(1)
Current date and time is Fri 2-26-1993 2:18:52
Boot date and time is Fri 1-29-1993 11:42:38
Router uptime is 3 weeks, 6 days, 14 hours, 36 minutes
System restarted by power-on
Network configuration file is "Router", booted via tftp from 131.108.2.333
```

In the following example of the show controller cxbus command display, the SP (or SSP) microcode is Version 1.2 although the microcode ROM on the SP (or SSP) contains Version 1.0. (In this example, ROM Version 1.0 is assumed because you cannot determine the ROM version with screen displays unless it is the running version.)

```
Router# show controllers cxbus
Switch Processor 5, hardware version 11.1, microcode version 1.2
(HIP 1, hardware version 1.0, microcode version 1.0
 Interface 8 - Hssi1/0, electrical interface is DTE
```

If the resulting displays indicate that the running system software is earlier than Cisco IOS Release 9.17(3), in your Cisco 7000 series router, or that the running SP (or SSP) microcode is an earlier version than Version 1.2, check the contents of Flash memory to determine whether the required images are available on your system. (If the required images are available, you can use configuration commands to instruct the system to download the correct image before you install the new HIP.) The show flash command displays a list of all files stored in Flash memory.
The following example shows that FIP Microcode Version 1.1 and SP (or SSP) Microcode Version 1.2 are stored in Flash.

```
Router# show flash
4096K bytes of flash memory on embedded flash (in RP1).

file   offset   length    name
0      0x80     53364    fip1-1
1      0xD134   55410    sp1-2

[4085336/4194304 bytes free]
```

If a required image is stored in Flash, but is not currently running, refer to the section “Upgrading and Configuring Microcode” on page 25 to load the correct microcode, or to the document *Upgrading System Software and Microcode in Cisco 7000 series Routers* (Document Number 78-1144-xx) to load the correct software.

The command `show interfaces serial slot/port` displays statistics for the specific serial interface you specify by its slot/port address. If you use this command without the `type` and `slot/port` arguments, the system will display statistics for all interfaces in the system:

```
Router> show int hssi 1/0
Hssi 1/0 is up, line protocol is up
Hardware is cxBus HIP
   Internet address is 131.108.38.9, subnet mask is 255.255.255.0

[additional display text omitted]
```

The command `show configuration` displays the contents of the system configuration file stored in NVRAM. This file should reflect all new configuration changes you made and wrote to memory using the `write terminal` command.

```
Router# show config

Using 1652 out of 130048 bytes
version 9.17
!
hostname Router
!
   enable-password gotcha
!
   microcode TRIP flash trip1-0
   microcode reload
!
   interface hssi1/0
   ip address 131.108.4.67
   ip route-cache cbus
   no keepalive
!
   interface serial2/1
   ip address 131.108.22.12

[additional display text omitted]
```

The command `show protocols` displays the global (system-wide) and interface-specific status of any configured level 3 protocol.

```
Router> show protocols

Global values:
   Internet Protocol routing is enabled
   Hssi1/0 is up, line protocol is up

[additional display text omitted]
```
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