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4531/5515/5575 Solaris ID2.0 Driver

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Description

1. Introduction

This README file describes the features in the Integrated Driver 2. (ID2.0) release of the 4531/5515/5575 ATM adapter software for the following operating systems.

		Part-Version
System	OS Version	Number
Solaris Sparc PCI	2.5.1 2.6 2.7 2.8	SX00325-D01

This file should be read carefully before the ID2.0 software is installed on your system. The ID2.0 driver has all the features that were in the ID1.5 release and several new features.

The following features in ID2.0 release are same as in the ID 1.5 release. All these functions can be enabled and used simultaneously.

- LAN Emulation (version 1.0) client (SVC). (Ethernet, Token Ring)
- LAN Emulation (version 2.0) client (SVC). (Ethernet, Token Ring)
- LAN Emulation (version 1.0) services (LES, BUS and LECS). (Ethernet, Token Ring)
- ABR Support
- IP-ATM (RFC-1577) client (SVC)
- IP-ATM (RFC-1577) server
- Bridged PVCs based on RFC-1483
 - o LLC Encapsulated Ethernet/802.3
 - o LLC Encapsulated 802.5
 - o Null Encapsulated Ethernet/802.3
 - o Null Encapsulated 802.3
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- Support of 16 LANE clients and 16 LES. This feature increases the maximum LANE clients and servers to 16.
- Use ILMI Service Registry as primary LECS Address definition. This feature allows the LEC to query the switch's Service Registry MIB for a list of LECS addresses as well as support of Cisco's "Simple Server Redundancy Protocol" (SSRP).
- Redundant Link Support. This feature allows user to define an adapter as a backup for primary adapters. Backup adapter replaces primary either due to a physical line failure or upon user request. After a backup adapter replaces a primary adapter, it takes on all the attributes of the primary adapter.
- Configuration of SONET or SDH. This feature allows the user to configure whether synchronous frame interfaces support either SONET or SDH framing. This can be configured via CellView for each adapter.
- Support up to 4K VCs. Drivers and interfaces are enhanced to recognize new server level adapters that can support 4K VCs and allows user to configure/enable this new extended range.
- Data Direct VC management. User can define via CellView that the LEC's Data Direct VCs will not be released after the LEC is removed from the ELAN.
- Dynamic Signalling Management. This feature allows the user to dynamically configure or disable signalling for each adapter and cause the new configuration to take affect without rebooting the system or restarting the signalling module.
- Configure a VPI other than VPI zero. This feature allows the user to configure on the transmit side, via CellView, a VPI to be used by all services on a specific adapter other than the default VPI of zero. This can be done anytime.
- Support of ILMI 4.0 auto configuration. This feature allows signalling to query the switch MIB and negotiate parameter setup. The most visible of these is the UNI version. Users will be able to configure a specific UNI version via CellView or allow the interface to auto configure the UNI version.
- Support for NSAP E.164 addresses. Signalling and LANE/CIP support all three NSAP address forms: DCC, ICD, and E.164.
- SNMP enabled. Drivers support SNMP. The drivers include SNMP sub-agent software that support the following MIBs.
 - o RFC 1595 (SONET MIB)
 - o RFC 1695 (AToM MIB)
 - o "ATM Forum Technical Committee specification af-lane-0038.000, September 1995" (LEC MIB).

The configuration and the statistics display of the driver software is done with a GUI based utility, CellView.

2. New Features

This section list the new features in ID 2.0 release.

- Multi-Protocol Over ATM (MPOA) client.
- Classical IP (CIP) (RFC-2225) client.
- Support of 4531 DS3/E3 adapters.

3. Configuration

After the software is installed on a system, the system should be rebooted before the driver software can be configured with CellView. Once the software is configured, it does not have to be configured again after each system reboot.

In the ID2.0 release, all the configuration data is stored in a single configuration file, `/etc/atm/cvconf`. There is an on-line man page for `cvconf` that describes the format of this file.

When the ID2.0 package is removed from a system, the configuration file `/etc/atm/cvconf` is saved as `/etc/atm/cvconf.save`. If an ID2.0 package is installed again, `/etc/atm/cvconf.save` can be moved to `/etc/atm/cvconf` to quickly restore the configuration of the previous installation.

4. CellView

CellView is a GUI based utility for ATM software configuration and statistic display. When an entity, such as LECS, is configured with CellView, in addition to configuring the software, the configuration information is stored in the configuration file so that upon subsequent system reboots, the software configuration can be restored without having to configure the software manually again. At the system boot time, all the software entities are initialized with the configuration information in the configuration file.

With the configuration capabilities of CellView, command line configuration utilities such as `les`, `lecs`, etc. are not needed. The command line configuration utilities are included in the package but their usage is not recommended unless for some reason you can not run CellView on your system. Command line configuration utilities configure the software based on the options specified, but do not update the configuration file.

In the “Setup” mode, CellView displays the configuration stored in the configuration file. In the “Stats” mode, CellView displays the actual configuration of the software. Normally the configuration file mirrors the software configuration. If the command line configuration utilities are used, the configuration file and the software configuration may get out of synchronization. This can cause subsequent configuration changed from CellView to not work properly.

5. PVCs

The LAN Emulation and IP-ATM clients include both SVC and PVC capabilities. In LAN Emulation clients, SVC capabilities are based on ATM Forum's "LAN Emulation Over ATM Specification - Version 1.0". The PVCs supported are bridged PVCs as described in RFC-1483. Clients can be enabled in PVC only or PVC and SVC mode. A 6 byte unicast MAC address and a VCI number is associated with each PVC. Packets received from the upper layers whose destination MAC address match the MAC address of a PVC are transmitted on that PVC. Each PVC can be individually enabled as "Broadcast PVC". If enabled as "Broadcast PVC", all the broadcast/multicast packets received by that client from the upper layers are transmitted on that PVC. A maximum of 16 PVCs can be enabled as "Broadcast PVC". Users can also configure a PVC's rate, also known as Peak Cell Rate (PCR), and service type, either UBR or ABR. In addition to the PCR, ABR PVCs allow the following parameters to be configured:

MCR - Minimum Cell Rate

ICR - Initial Cell Rate

TBE - Transient Buffer Exposure

FRTT - Fixed Round Trip Time

NRM - Max Number of Cells for each forward RM Cell

TRM - Time between forward RM Cells

ADTF - Allowed Cell Rate (ACR) Decrease Time Factor

CDF - Cutoff Decrease Factor

RIF - Rate Increment Factor

RDF - Rate Decrement Factor.

When in doubt, use the defaults. In IP-ATM clients, SVC capabilities are based on RFC-1577 and RFC-2225. The PVCs supported are routed PVCs as described in RFC-1483. Clients can be enabled in PVC only or PVC and SVC mode. An IP address and a VCI number is associated with each PVC. Packets received from the upper layers whose first hop (an end-station or a router) match the IP address of a PVC are transmitted on that PVC. Like RFC-1577, IP-ATM PVCs do not support transmission of broadcast/multicast packets.

6. Other Notes

- The mapping of IP interface number to LANE and IP-ATM clients is as follows:

LANE clients: IP interface number = (board number * 32) + client number

IP-ATM clients: IP interface number = (board number * 32) + 16

If there are two primary adapters installed in the system, IP interface numbers for all the clients that can be enabled are shown below. 'li' is the IP interface prefix for Interphase ATM adapters.

li0 - li15 Board 0, LAN Emulation client 0 - 15

li16 Board 0, IP-ATM client

li32 - li47 Board 1, LAN Emulation client 0 - 15

li48 Board 1, IP-ATM client

- MAC address for Bridged PVCs should be entered in the natural order of the emulated LAN. For Ethernet emulation, the MAC address should be entered in the conical format. For Token Ring emulation, MAC address should be entered in the non-conical format.

- After the software package is installed, all the entities, including the LAN Emulation and IP-ATM clients, are initially configured as disabled. Run CellView or edit the file /etc/atm/cvconf to enable and configure desired entities.

- Set "Enable Advanced Settings" in the "Global" dialog box in CellView to access LAN Emulation services from CellView.

- Redundant Link adapters may be configured through CellView, or through the new command line utility /bin/rls. Although CellView is the preferred method, the user is encouraged to read the "rls" man pages to learn more about redundant link support. A few more notes on using redundant link adapters:

- o A primary adapter may be backed up by only one secondary adapter.
- o A secondary adapter may back up multiple primary adapters.
- o A primary adapter and its secondary adapter must be compatible.

That is they must either both be 5515 adapters or 5575 adapters, they must both be either 4K VC adapters or 1K VC adapters, and they must both be either 155Mb/s adapters or 25Mb/s adapters or DS3 adapters or E3 adapters.

- The SNMP functionality will work only if Sun's SNMP super-agent has been installed.

7. Deficiencies

After installing on Solaris 8, having selected the SNMP options, the system will report the following messages to the console:

```
# ifconfig: DL_INFO_ACK timed out
ifconfig: plumb: ia0: No such file or directory
ifconfig: SIOCSLIFNETMASK: ia0: no such interface
ifconfig: DL_INFO_ACK timed out
ifconfig: plumb: ia1: No such file or directory
ifconfig: SIOCSLIFNETMASK: ia1: no such interface
ifconfig: DL_INFO_ACK timed out
ifconfig: plumb: ia2: No such file or directory
```

ifconfig: SIOCSLIFNETMASK: ia2: no such interface

These messages do not cause any failures and will be corrected in the next release.

Before You Start

If an Interphase ATM driver is already installed on your system, it should be removed before the new driver is installed from this CD.

Installation

Please refer to the User's Guide for instructions.

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