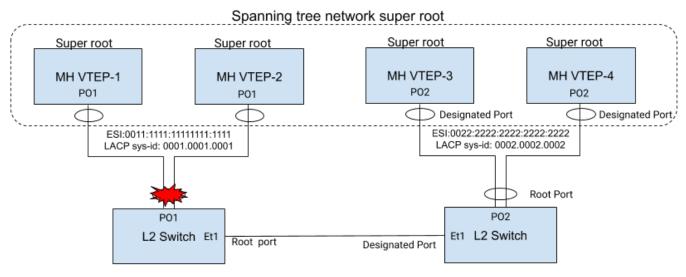


### **Description**

Arista MLAG supports STP for Layer-2 loop detection. In fact, most customers enable STP in their MLAG(s) to ensure no downstream Layer-2 loops due to mis-cabling or mis-configuration. Pre 4.25.1F EVPN All-Active multihoming mechanism did not support STP downstream because of the following reasons:

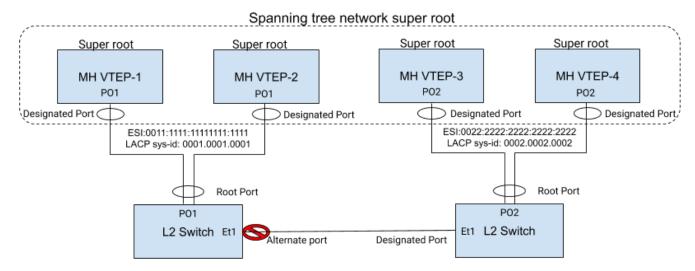
- Unlike MLAG, EVPN multihoming peers run STP independently. Hence, all EVPN multihoming PEs send BPDUs independently on port-channel links.
- STP BPDUs will have Bridge ID derived from the local system MAC address, so the BPDUs generated by each multihoming PE are different. Hence, the downstream multihomed switch/server receives different BPDUs from different PEs, so STP state will not converge.

This feature enables the switch to act as STP network super root. When this feature is enabled, it sends STP BPDUs with bridge MAC address and source MAC address as 0000.0000.0001 and priority as 0. This enables topologies like EVPN All-Active multihoming to use STP and detect Layer-2 loops. The user can choose multiple switches to act as STP network super root. This feature supports EVPN-VXLAN and EVPN-MPLS All-Active multihoming configurations.



EVPN All-Active multihoming super root topology





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### **Platform compatibility**

Supported on all EOS platform

# **Configuration**

To enable STP network super root run:

Arista(config)#spanning-tree root super

#### **Show commands**

```
Arista#show spanning-tree
  Spanning tree enabled protocol mstp
  Root ID
             Priority
             Address
                         0000.0000.0001
             This bridge is the root
  Bridge ID Priority
                             0
                                 (priority 0 sys-id-ext 0)
                         0000.0000.0001
             Address
             Hello Time
                         2.000 sec Max Age 20 sec Forward Delay 15 s
ec
Interface
                                                  Prio.Nbr Type
                 Role
                            State
                                        Cost
P01
                 designated forwarding 2000
                                                  128.1
                                                           P2p
```



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Arista#show spanning-tree instance detail Stp Detailed Status:								
Stp agent restartable				:	True			
Super root				:	True			
MST-PVST interoperation				:	Disabled			
Stp heartbeat timeout				:	2	2.0		
Last local heartbeat timeout				:	ne	ver		
Local heartbeat timeout since reboot				:	0			
машо								
MSTO								
Bridge ID	Priority 0 (priority 0 sys-id-ext 0)							
	Address	0000.0000.	0001					
	Hello Time	2.000 sec	Max Age	20 se	c Forwar	rd De	elay 15	S
ec								

## **Syslog messages**

The following syslog message is logged when the switch becomes super root

```
SPANTREE-6-ROOTCHANGE: Root changed for instance MST0: new root interface is (none), new root bridge mac address is 00:00:00:00:00:01 (this switch)
```

# **Troubleshooting**

Above mentioned mentioned show CLIs and Syslog messages will be helpful.

## **Tracing**

Disclaimer: In some cases, enabling tracing can seriously impact the performance of the switch. Please use it cautiously and seek advice from an Arista representative before enabling this in any production environments.

The following trace can be enabled for debugging. However, it may affect the performance:

Arista(config)# trace agent Stp StpProto/\*,Stp/\*



Arista(config)# trace agent StpTopology StpTopo/\*

#### **Limitations**

- 1. The user needs to configure and ensure identical STP configuration on all switches configured as STP super root.
- 2. All the port-channels across multihoming VTEPs should have the same port-channel numbers.
- 3. There are no Layer-2 links between devices with super root configuration.
- 4. Super Root Bridge-ID 0000.0000.0001 can't be changed.

#### Resources

- L2EVPN MPLS
- EVPN VXLAN All-Active Multihoming
- EVPN VXLAN All-active Multi-homing Integrated Routing and Bridging