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## What's new

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There were no new features added to this document.

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**Attention:** To ensure that you are using the most current version of an NTP, check the current NTP list in NN10600-000 *Nortel Multiservice Switch 7400/15000/20000 What's New*.

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# Trace System configuration

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You must configure the Trace System (TS) components on each Nortel Multiservice Switch module that supports a trace. Provision the first *ServiceTrace* component directly from Root and use it to provision the trace manager with the receiver list. Provision the second *ServiceTrace* component directly under the service that supports TS.

- [Prerequisites to Trace System configuration \(page 6\)](#)
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## Prerequisites to Trace System configuration

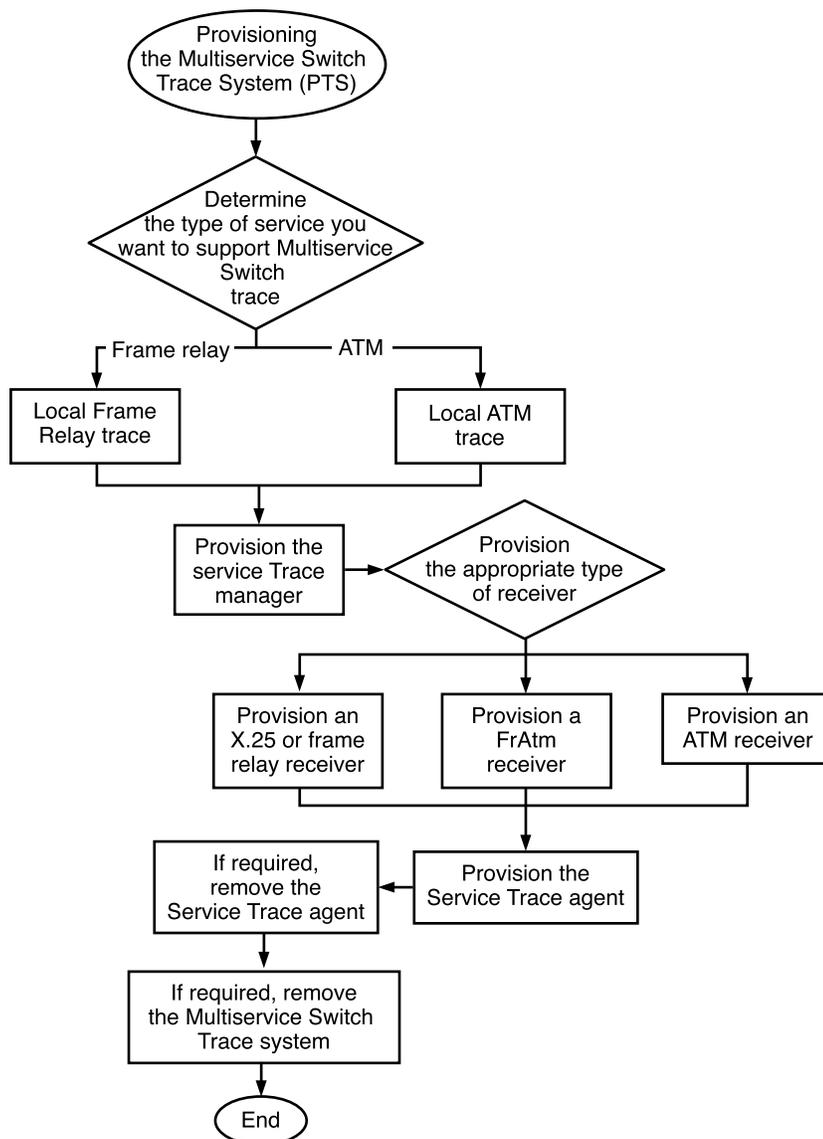
- If you are unfamiliar with Trace System, see [Understanding the Trace System \(page 41\)](#).

## Trace System configuration procedures

This task flow shows you the sequence of procedures you perform to configure the Trace System. To link to any procedure, go to [Trace System configuration procedure navigation \(page 7\)](#).



## Trace System configuration procedures



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### Trace System configuration procedure navigation

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## Load Frame Relay trace

If you are planning to use trace for Frame Relay services, load the appropriate software.

### Prerequisites

- The base software must be installed as described in NN10600-270 *Nortel Multiservice Switch 7400/15000/20000 Software Installation*. The software is named ServiceTrace.

### Procedure steps

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Step	Action
1	Enter provisioning mode. <b>start prov</b>
2	Set the <i>featureList</i> attribute with the appropriate software. <b>set sw lpt/&lt;lpt&gt; fl frameRelayUniTrace</b> <b>set sw lpt/&lt;lpt&gt; fl frameRelayNniTrace</b>
3	Set the <i>featureList</i> attribute with the appropriate software.

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**Attention:** It is recommended that you load only one receiver on an FP.

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- ```
set sw lpt/<lpt> fl x25TraceRcvr
```
- or
- ```
set sw lpt/<lpt> fl frTraceRcvr
```
- or
- ```
set sw lpt/<lpt> fl atmTraceRcvr
```
- 4 Verify that the provisioning changes you have made are acceptable.  
**check prov**
  - 5 Correct any errors, and then repeat [step 4](#) to verify the provisioning changes.
  - 6 Optionally, save the provisioning changes. For more information on this step, see NN10600-030 *Nortel Multiservice Switch 7400/15000/20000 Overview*.  
**save prov**  
**activate prov**  
**confirm prov**  
**commit prov**
  - 7 Exit provisioning mode.



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**end prov**

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**--End--**

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## Load ATM trace

To use trace for ATM services, load the appropriate software.

### Prerequisites

- The base software must be installed as described in NN10600-270 *Nortel Multiservice Switch 7400/15000/20000 Software Installation*. The software is named ServiceTrace.

### Procedure steps

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| Step | Action                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1    | Enter provisioning mode.<br><b>start prov</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| 2    | Include the appropriate ATM trace features on the logical processor type (lpt) feature list for ATM services.<br><b>set sw lpt/&lt;lpt&gt; fl atmUniTrace atmIispTrace<br/>atmPnniTrace atmAiniTrace</b>                                                                                            |
| 3    | Include the appropriate receiver feature on the logical processor type (lpt) feature list for all required services. Nortel Networks recommends that you load only one receiver on an FP.<br><b>set sw lpt/&lt;lpt&gt; fl atmTraceRcvr</b><br>or<br><b>set sw lpt/&lt;lpt&gt; fl frAtmTraceRcvr</b> |
| 4    | Verify that the provisioning changes you have made are acceptable.<br><b>check prov</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 5    | Correct any errors and repeat <a href="#">step 4</a> to verify the provisioning changes again.                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 6    | Optionally, save the provisioning changes.<br><b>save prov</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 7    | If you want these changes to take effect immediately, activate and commit the provisioning changes. For more information on this step, see NN10600-030 <i>Nortel Multiservice Switch 7400/15000/20000 Overview</i> .<br><b>activate prov</b><br><b>confirm prov</b><br><b>commit prov</b>           |
| 8    | Exit provisioning mode.<br><b>end prov</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |



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**--End--**

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## Configure the trace manager

After you configure one trace manager with its receiver list, you can duplicate the data throughout the network using the Global Data Manager tool available through Nortel Networks Preside Multiservice Data Manager (MDM). See 241-6001-023 *Nortel Multiservice Data Manager Configuration Tools* for more details.

### Procedure steps

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| Step | Action |
|------|--------|
|------|--------|

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1 The component file need only contain the following two lines:

```
ServiceTrace  
ServiceTrace rcvr/*
```

When you duplicate the data, each module uses the same local DNA to make a direct call to the receiver.

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**Attention:** Trace System does not require unique DNAs to establish a direct call to the receiver because it cannot receive incoming calls and the trace calls are not billed.

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## Configure an X.25 or frame relay receiver

Configure a trace receiver for services using X.25 or frame relay.

### Procedure steps

| Step | Action                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1    | Enter provisioning mode.<br><b>start prov</b>                                                                                                                                                                          |
| 2    | Add the <i>ServiceTrace</i> component to the module.<br><b>add ServiceTrace</b>                                                                                                                                        |
| 3    | Add the list of receivers that you want to accept a trace call.<br>The receiver string is a user-defined mnemonic that can contain up to a maximum of eight characters.<br><b>add ServiceTrace Rcvr/&lt;string&gt;</b> |

**Attention:** You must provision at least one receiver to operate Trace System. The semantic check fails if no receivers are provisioned.

- Define the type of receiver interface for either an X.25 interface type  
**add ServiceTrace Rcvr/<string> X25**  
or for a frame relay interface type:  
**add ServiceTrace Rcvr/<string> Fr**
- Set the DNA for the local end of the trace call. This example uses a frame relay receiver interface.  
**set ServiceTrace Rcvr/<string> FR Dna dna <local\_dna>**
- Optionally, set other attributes under the *Dna* component for the trace call, such as packet size or window size.
- Optionally, add a *Cug* component for the trace call. Do not provision the *Cug* component if you want to place a non-CUG call to the receiver.  
**add ServiceTrace Rcvr/<string> FR Dna Cug**
- Optionally, set the attributes under the *Cug* component for the trace call, such as the interlock code. A DNA can only make calls to other DNAs with the same *CUG interlock code*—that is, to DNAs within the same CUG.
- Set the remote receiver *DNA* for the *DirectCall (Dc)* component.  
**set ServiceTrace Rcvr/<string> FR Dc remoteDna <remote\_dna>**
- Optionally, set other attributes under the *Dc* component for the trace call, such as the *userData* attribute.



- 11 Verify that the provisioning changes you have made are acceptable.  
**check prov**
- 12 Correct any errors and repeat [step 11](#) to verify the provisioning changes.
- 13 Optionally, save the provisioning changes.  
**save prov**
- 14 If you want these changes to take effect immediately, activate and commit the provisioning changes. For more information on this step, see *NN10600-030 Nortel Multiservice Switch 7400/15000/20000 Overview*.  
**activate prov**  
**confirm prov**  
**commit prov**
- 15 Exit provisioning mode.  
**end prov**

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## Configure a FrAtm receiver

Configure a receiver for FrAtm services.

### Procedure steps

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| Step | Action                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1    | Enter provisioning mode.<br><b>start prov</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 2    | Add the <i>ServiceTrace</i> component to the module.<br><b>add ServiceTrace</b>                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 3    | Add the list of receivers that you want to accept a trace call.<br>The receiver string is a user-defined mnemonic that can contain up to a maximum of eight characters.<br><b>add ServiceTrace Rcvr/&lt;string&gt;</b>                                            |
| 4    | Define the type of receiver interface. You must provision at least one receiver to operate Trace System. The semantic check fails if no receivers are provisioned.<br><b>add ServiceTrace Rcvr/&lt;string&gt; FrAtm</b>                                           |
| 5    | Set the FrAtm NSAP address.<br><b>set ServiceTrace Rcvr/&lt;string&gt; FrAtm addr &lt;NSAP address&gt;</b>                                                                                                                                                        |
| 6    | Specify the minimum DLCI number. The DLCI number must be between 16 and 1007.<br><b>set ServiceTrace Rcvr/&lt;string&gt; FrAtm minimumDlci &lt;dlci number&gt;</b>                                                                                                |
| 7    | Specify the maximum DLCI number. The <i>maximumDlci</i> must be greater than or equal to the <i>minimumDlci</i> .<br><b>set ServiceTrace Rcvr/&lt;string&gt; FrAtm maximumDlci &lt;dlci number&gt;</b>                                                            |
| 8    | Set the Service Category for the FrAtm receiver.<br><b>set ServiceTrace Rcvr/&lt;string&gt; FrAtm service &lt;ServiceCategory&gt;</b>                                                                                                                             |
| 9    | Set the Peak Cell Rate for the FrAtm receiver.<br><b>set ServiceTrace Rcvr/&lt;string&gt; FrAtm pcr &lt;pcr&gt;</b>                                                                                                                                               |
| 10   | Specify the maximum frame byte size that the remote receiver can process. The available maximum frame byte size is <i>disabled</i> , 1 to 4000. The default setting is 2000 bytes. If the frame byte size is set to <i>disabled</i> , truncation is not possible. |



- set ServiceTrace Rcvr/<string> FrAtm len <max frame size>**
- 11 Verify that the provisioning changes you have made are acceptable.
- check prov**
- 12 Correct any errors and repeat [step 12](#) to verify the provisioning changes again.
- 13 Optionally, save the provisioning changes.
- save prov**
- 14 If you want these changes to take effect immediately, activate and commit the provisioning changes. For more information on this step, see NN10600-030 *Nortel Multiservice Switch 7400/15000/20000 Overview*.
- activate prov**
- confirm prov**
- commit prov**
- 15 Exit provisioning mode.
- end prov**

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--End--

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### Variable definitions

| Variable          | Value                     |
|-------------------|---------------------------|
| <ServiceCategory> | is Ubr, NrtVbr, or RtVbr. |
|                   |                           |



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## Configure an ATM receiver

Configure a receiver for ATM services.

### Procedure steps

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| Step | Action                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1    | Enter provisioning mode.<br><b>start prov</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| 2    | Add the <i>ServiceTrace</i> component to the module.<br><b>add ServiceTrace</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 3    | Add the list of receivers that you want to accept a trace call. You must provision at least one receiver to operate Trace System. The semantic check fails if no receivers are provisioned.<br><br>The receiver string is a user-defined mnemonic that can contain up to a maximum of eight characters.<br><b>add ServiceTrace Rcvr/&lt;string&gt;</b> |
| 4    | Define the type of receiver interface<br><b>add ServiceTrace Rcvr/&lt;string&gt; ATM</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| 5    | Set the ATM interface NSAP address.<br><b>set ServiceTrace Rcvr/&lt;string&gt; Atm addr &lt;NSAPaddress&gt;</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 6    | Set the Service Category for the Atm receiver.<br><b>set ServiceTrace Rcvr/&lt;string&gt; Atm service &lt;ServiceCategory&gt;</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 7    | Set the Peak Cell Rate for the Atm receiver.<br><b>set ServiceTrace Rcvr/&lt;string&gt; Atm pcr &lt;pcr&gt;</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 8    | Specify the maximum frame byte size that the remote receiver can process. The available maximum frame byte size is <i>disabled</i> , 1 to 4000. The default setting is 2000 bytes. If the frame byte size is set to <i>disabled</i> , truncation is not possible.<br><b>set ServiceTrace Rcvr/&lt;string&gt; Atm len &lt;max frame size&gt;</b>        |
| 9    | Verify that the provisioning changes you have made are acceptable.<br><b>check prov</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 10   | Correct any errors and repeat <a href="#">step 9</a> to verify the provisioning changes again.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 11   | Optionally, save the provisioning changes.<br><b>save prov</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |



- 12 If you want these changes to take effect immediately, activate and commit the provisioning changes. For more information on this step, see NN10600-030 *Nortel Multiservice Switch 7400/15000/20000 Overview*.

**activate prov**

**confirm prov**

**commit prov**

- 13 Exit provisioning mode.

**end prov**

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--End--

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### Variable definitions

| Variable          | Value                     |
|-------------------|---------------------------|
| <ServiceCategory> | is Ubr, NrtVbr, or RtVbr. |
|                   |                           |



## Configure the trace agent

Configure the trace agent by adding the *ServiceTrace* component that resides under the access service component. Your support group can provide you with a script to provision the *ServiceTrace* component. See NN10600-030 *Nortel Multiservice Switch 7400/15000/20000 Overview* for information on contacting your support group.

If you do not want to trace a particular service, do not provision the *ServiceTrace* component under that access service.

### Procedure steps

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| Step | Action                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1    | Enter provisioning mode.<br><b>start prov</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 2    | Add the <i>ServiceTrace</i> component to each access service that will support Trace System.<br><b>add &lt;service&gt; ServiceTrace</b>                                                                                                                                                   |
| 3    | Verify that the provisioning changes you have made are acceptable.<br><b>check prov</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 4    | Correct any errors, and then repeat <a href="#">step 3</a> to verify the provisioning changes.                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 5    | Optionally, save the provisioning changes.<br><b>save prov</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 6    | If you want these changes to take effect immediately, activate and commit the provisioning changes. For more information on this step, see NN10600-030 <i>Nortel Multiservice Switch 7400/15000/20000 Overview</i> .<br><b>activate prov</b><br><b>confirm prov</b><br><b>commit prov</b> |
| 7    | Exit provisioning mode.<br><b>end prov</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |

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--End--

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### Variable definitions

| Variable  | Value                                                                                                          |
|-----------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <service> | is FrUni/n, FrNni/n, Atmlf/n [Vpt/m] Uni, Atmlf/n [Vpt/m] lisp, Atmlf/n [Vpt/m] Pnni, or Atmlf/n [Vpt/m] Aini. |
|           |                                                                                                                |



## Remove the trace agent

If required, remove the trace agent from a service

### Procedure steps

| Step | Action                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1    | Enter provisioning mode.<br><b>start prov</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 2    | Remove the <i>ServiceTrace</i> component for each access service that supports Trace System.<br><b>delete &lt;service&gt; ServiceTrace</b>                                                                                                                                                |
| 3    | Verify that the provisioning changes you have made are acceptable.<br><b>check prov</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 4    | Correct any errors and repeat <a href="#">step 3</a> to verify the provisioning changes again.                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 5    | Optionally, save the provisioning changes.<br><b>save prov</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 6    | If you want these changes to take effect immediately, activate and commit the provisioning changes. For more information on this step, see NN10600-030 <i>Nortel Multiservice Switch 7400/15000/20000 Overview</i> .<br><b>activate prov</b><br><b>confirm prov</b><br><b>commit prov</b> |
| 7    | Exit provisioning mode.<br><b>end prov</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |

--End--

### Variable definitions

| Variable  | Value                                                                                                          |
|-----------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <service> | is FrUni/n, FrNni/n, Atmlf/n [Vpt/m] Uni, Atmlf/n [Vpt/m] lisp, Atmlf/n [Vpt/m] Pnni, or Atmlf/n [Vpt/m] Aini. |
|           |                                                                                                                |



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## Remove the Trace System

If not required, remove the Trace System feature from a module.

### Procedure steps

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| Step | Action                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1    | Enter provisioning mode.<br><b>start prov</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 2    | Remove the trace feature from the feature list under the <i>LogicalProcessorType</i> component for all required services.<br><b>set sw lpt/&lt;lpt&gt; fl ~frameRelayUniTrace</b><br>or<br><b>set sw lpt/&lt;lpt&gt; fl ~frameRelayNniTrace</b><br>or<br><b>set sw lpt/&lt;lpt&gt; fl ~atmUniTrace</b><br>or<br><b>set sw lpt/&lt;lpt&gt; fl ~atmIispTrace</b><br>or<br><b>set sw lpt/&lt;lpt&gt; fl ~atmPnniTrace</b><br>or<br><b>set sw lpt/&lt;lpt&gt; fl ~atmAiniTrace</b> |
| 3    | Remove the receiver feature from the feature list under the <i>LogicalProcessorType</i> component for each access service.<br><b>set sw lpt/&lt;lpt&gt; fl ~x25TraceRcvr</b><br>or<br><b>set sw lpt/&lt;lpt&gt; fl ~frTraceRcvr</b><br>or<br><b>set sw lpt/&lt;lpt&gt; fl ~atmTraceRcvr</b><br>or<br><b>set sw lpt/&lt;lpt&gt; fl ~frAtmTraceRcvr</b>                                                                                                                          |
| 4    | Verify that the provisioning changes you have made are acceptable.<br><b>check prov</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 5    | Correct any errors, and then repeat <a href="#">step 4</a> to verify the provisioning changes.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 6    | Optionally, save the provisioning changes.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |



**save prov**

- 7 If you want these changes to take effect immediately, activate and commit the provisioning changes. For more information on this step, see NN10600-030 *Nortel Multiservice Switch 7400/15000/20000 Overview*.

**activate prov**

**confirm prov**

**commit prov**

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**Attention:** The function processor (FP) reboots once you activate the changes. When you remove the last LPT, the CP reboots.

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- 8 Exit provisioning mode.

**end prov**

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**--End--**

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# Monitoring Service Trace sessions

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Monitor service trace sessions to determine if the sessions are operating with expected parameters.

- [Prerequisites to monitoring service trace sessions \(page 25\)](#)
- [Monitoring service trace sessions procedures \(page 25\)](#)

## Prerequisites to monitoring service trace sessions

- If you are unfamiliar with using Passport trace, see [Understanding the Trace System \(page 41\)](#).

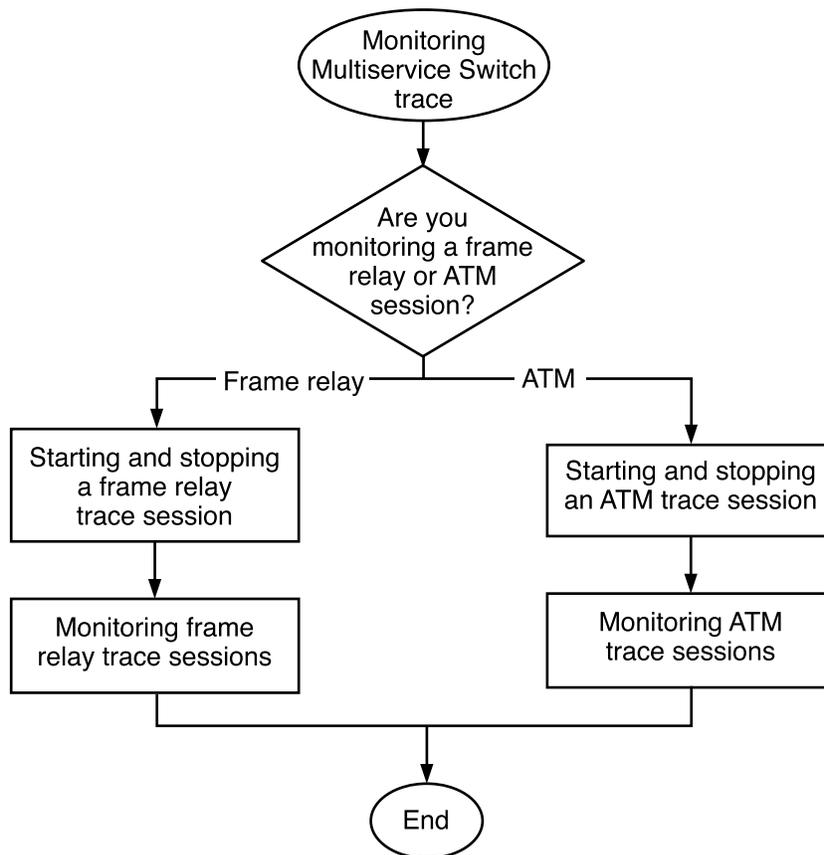
## Monitoring service trace sessions procedures

This task flow shows you the sequence of procedures you perform to monitor service trace. To link to any procedure, go to [Monitoring Service Traces Sessions procedure navigation \(page 26\)](#).



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**Monitoring service trace sessions procedures**



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**Monitoring Service Traces Sessions procedure navigation**

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## Starting and stopping a frame relay trace session

Start or stop a trace session for frame relay services.

### Procedure steps

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| Step | Action                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
|------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1    | Set the receiver for the traced data.<br><br><code>set FrUni/10 ServiceTrace Rcvr &lt;rcvr_string&gt;</code>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| 2    | Optionally, set the trace filter options to improve the utilization of bandwidth on the trace VC. You can add filters before or during a trace session. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• specific DLCI frames<br/><br/><code>set FrUni/10 ServiceTrace Filter dlci 30</code></li><li>• only LMI frames<br/><br/><code>set FrUni/10 ServiceTrace Filter type !lmi</code></li><li>• direction<br/><br/><code>set FrUni/10 ServiceTrace Filter dir !egress</code></li><li>• remove bad frames<br/><br/><code>set FrUni/10 ServiceTrace Filter type ~badFrames</code></li><li>• truncate frames. When n=<i>disabled</i> there is no truncation.<br/><br/><code>set FrUni/10 ServiceTrace Filter len 15</code></li></ul> |
| 3    | Optionally, change the duration of the trace session and the size of the trace queue. The value n=0 implies an infinite duration.<br><br><code>set FrUni/10 ServiceTrace duration 5</code><br><code>set FrUni/10 ServiceTrace queue 100</code>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 4    | Start the trace session.<br><br><code>start FrUni/10 ServiceTrace</code>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 5    | Stop a trace session.<br><br><code>stop FrUni/10 ServiceTrace</code>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |

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--End--

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### Variable definitions

| Variable      | Value                                                 |
|---------------|-------------------------------------------------------|
| <rcvr_string> | is the name of an X.25, frame relay, or ATM receiver. |
|               |                                                       |



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## Starting and stopping and ATM trace session

Start or stop a trace session for ATM services.

### Procedure steps

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| Step | Action                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1    | Set the receiver for the traced data.<br><code>set AtmIf/81 Uni ServiceTrace Rcvr &lt;rcvr_string&gt;</code>                                                                                                                                       |
| 2    | Optionally, change the duration of the trace session and the size of the trace queue. The value n=0 implies an infinite duration.<br><code>set AtmIf/81 Uni ServiceTrace duration 5</code><br><code>set AtmIf/81 Uni ServiceTrace queue 100</code> |
| 3    | Start the trace session.<br><code>start AtmIf/81 Uni ServiceTrace</code>                                                                                                                                                                           |
| 4    | Stop the trace session.<br><code>stop AtmIf/81 Uni ServiceTrace</code>                                                                                                                                                                             |

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--End--

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### Variable definitions

| Variable      | Value                                   |
|---------------|-----------------------------------------|
| <rcvr_string> | is the name of a FrAtm or ATM receiver. |
|               |                                         |



## Monitoring frame relay trace sessions

Monitor trace sessions for frame relay services.

### Procedure steps

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| Step | Action                                                                                                                      |
|------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1    | Display all active traces on a module.<br><code>display ServiceTrace Session/*</code>                                       |
| 2    | List all trace receivers by their mnemonics.<br><code>list ServiceTrace Rcvr/*</code>                                       |
| 3    | Display a trace session performed on a particular service.<br><code>display FrUni/10 ServiceTrace</code>                    |
| 4    | Display the trace filters that are set on a particular service.<br><code>display FrUni/10 ServiceTrace Filter</code>        |
| 5    | Display the connection information about a trace session.<br><code>display ServiceTrace Session/1 &lt;connection&gt;</code> |
| 6    | Display the provisioning data of a receiver.<br><code>display -p ServiceTrace Rcvr/receiver1 &lt;rcvr_type&gt;*</code>      |

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### Variable definitions

| Variable     | Value                                      |
|--------------|--------------------------------------------|
| <connection> | is an X25 Vc, FR Vc, or Atm AtmConnection. |
| <rcvr_type>  | is X25, FR, or Atm.                        |
|              |                                            |



## Monitoring ATM trace sessions

Monitor trace session for ATM services.

### Procedure steps

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| Step | Action                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1    | Display the ATM trace session.<br><b>display AtmIf/81 Uni ServiceTrace</b>                                                                                                                                                            |
| 2    | List the type of trace connection, FrAtm or ATM, used in the session.<br><b>list ServiceTrace Session/2</b>                                                                                                                           |
| 3    | For a FrAtm connection, display which DLCI is being used by the connection.<br><b>display ServiceTrace Session/2 FrAtm activeDlci</b>                                                                                                 |
| 4    | Find the next hop of a trace connection.<br><b>display ServiceTrace Session/2 Atm AtmCon nextHop</b><br>or<br><b>display ServiceTrace Session/2 FrAtm AtmCon nextHop</b>                                                              |
| 5    | Display the operational data of the trace connection, according to the output from step 4.<br><b>display -o AtmIf/80 Vcc/0.128</b><br>or<br><b>display -o AtmIf/80 Vpt/1 Vcc/33</b><br>or<br><b>display -o FrAtm/10 Dlci/200 Siwf</b> |

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# Troubleshooting

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This section contains the following information to help you resolve problems when using Nortel Multiservice Switch Trace System (TS).

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## Alarms

Nortel Multiservice Switch alarms occur in the following instances:

- A message alarm occurs if you remove the *CP ServiceTrace* component while a trace session is active.
- A message alarm occurs that includes the clear cause and diagnostic if the trace VC terminates abnormally.
- A message alarm occurs when the trace queue reaches 50%, 75%, and 100%.
- A message alarm occurs every 60 minutes while a trace session is active. The alarm reminds the operator that the service performance is affected by the trace session.
- A message alarm occurs and the trace session stops if the duration time limit is reached. The default duration is 60 minutes.
- If the trace call to the receiver fails to connect, you receive a clear cause and diagnostic.
- A software alarm occurs if a trace process detects a bad state, function number, or message.

See NN10600-500 *Nortel Multiservice Switch 6400/7400/15000/20000 Alarms Reference* for more information.



## Handling problems with an X.25 or frame relay receiver

The following table provides guidelines for troubleshooting an X.25 or frame relay receiver on Trace System.

### Handling problems with a frame relay receiver

| Problems that may occur                                                                                                                           | Probable causes                                                                                                                   | Corrective measures                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| The trace call to the receiver fails to connect. The response to the start command indicates the X.25 clear cause and diagnostic for the failure. | Operator error                                                                                                                    | Check that the service trace receiver attribute is set to the desired receiver.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|                                                                                                                                                   | Provisioning error: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• clear cause 0D</li><li>• clear cause 0B</li></ul>                     | Check that the receiver direct call correctly specifies the remote DNA of the desired receiver.<br><br>Check that the receiver direct call is provisioned in the same closed user group as the X.25 or frame relay port to the receiver.                                                                                                        |
|                                                                                                                                                   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• clear cause 03</li><li>• clear cause 21</li></ul>                                         | Check that the receiver can either support or negotiate the following facilities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• throughput class = 10 (for X.25 only)</li><li>• packet size = 2048</li><li>• high priority</li></ul> Check that the provisioned receiver interface type correctly specifies the interface of the designated receiver. |
|                                                                                                                                                   | Routing error: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• clear cause 0D</li><li>• clear cause 05</li><li>• clear cause 09</li></ul> | Check that the Multiservice Switch module can route calls to the receiver. Check that the path to the receiver is enabled (Multiservice Switch trunks, DPN gateway, network links).<br><br>Check that the X.25 or frame relay port to the receiver is enabled.                                                                                  |
| Engineering error: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• clear cause 05</li></ul>                                                               | Check that the traced FP message blocks are not congested.                                                                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| (1 of 2)                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |



Handling problems with a frame relay receiver (continued)

| Problems that may occur                                                                                                      | Probable causes                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Corrective measures                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                                                                                                              | Receiver error: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• clear cause 00</li> <li>• clear cause 11</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Consult the table <a href="#">Frame relay and X.25 diagnostic codes (page 35)</a> for interpretation of the diagnostic code reported for the failure.<br><br>Check that the desired receiver is operational and listening for an incoming call. Consult receiver-specific documentation.<br><br>Check that the receiver can accommodate error frames.                                                                                                                                                              |
| The trace call to the receiver clears unexpectedly. Alarm 7043 0005 contains the clear cause and diagnostic for the failure. | Routing error: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• clear cause 0D</li> <li>• clear cause 05</li> <li>• clear cause 09</li> </ul> Engineering error: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• clear cause 05</li> </ul> Receiver error: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• clear cause 00</li> <li>• clear cause 11</li> </ul> | Check that the path to the receiver is enabled (Multiservice Switch trunks, DPN gateway, network links).<br><br>Check that the X.25 or frame relay port to the receiver is enabled.<br><br>Check that the traced FP message blocks are not congested.<br><br>Consult the table <a href="#">Frame relay and X.25 diagnostic codes (page 35)</a> for interpretation of the diagnostic code reported for the failure.<br><br>Check that the desired receiver is operational. Consult receiver specific documentation. |
| The datascope does not display traced data.                                                                                  | Operator error                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | The link speed is limited to 64K if an RS-232 link connects the datascope to the PC.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
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Frame relay and X.25 diagnostic codes

The following table lists frame relay and X.25 diagnostic codes and related descriptions.



**Frame relay and X.25 diagnostic codes**

| <b>Diagnostic code (hex)</b> | <b>Diagnostics description</b>                                                                   |
|------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 00                           | NO ADDITIONAL INFORMATION                                                                        |
| 01                           | invalid Ps                                                                                       |
| 02                           | invalid Pr                                                                                       |
| 1X                           | PACKET TYPE INVALID                                                                              |
| 20                           | PACKET NOT ALLOWED                                                                               |
| 21                           | unidentifiable packet                                                                            |
| 22                           | call on one-way logical channel                                                                  |
| 23                           | invalid packet type on a permanent virtual circuit                                               |
| 24                           | packet on unassigned logical channel                                                             |
| 25                           | reject not subscribed to                                                                         |
| 26                           | packet too short                                                                                 |
| 27                           | packet too long                                                                                  |
| 28                           | invalid general format identifier                                                                |
| 29                           | restart or registration packet with nonzero in bits 1 to 4 of octet 1, or bits 1 to 8 of octet 2 |
| 2A                           | packet type not compatible with facility                                                         |
| 2B                           | unauthorized interrupt confirmation                                                              |
| 2C                           | unauthorized interrupt                                                                           |
| 2D                           | unauthorized reject                                                                              |
| 30                           | TIME EXPIRED                                                                                     |
| 31                           | for incoming call                                                                                |
| 32                           | for clear indication                                                                             |
| 33                           | for reset indication                                                                             |
| 34                           | for restart indication                                                                           |
| 40                           | CALL SET UP, CALL CLEARING OR REGISTRATION PROBLEM                                               |
| 41                           | facility registration code not allowed                                                           |
| 42                           | facility parameter not allowed                                                                   |
| 43                           | invalid called address                                                                           |
| 44                           | invalid calling address                                                                          |
| 45                           | invalid facility/registration length                                                             |
| 46                           | incoming call barred                                                                             |

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**Frame relay and X.25 diagnostic codes (continued)**

| <b>Diagnostic code (hex)</b> | <b>Diagnostics description</b>       |
|------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 47                           | no logical channel available         |
| 48                           | call collision                       |
| 49                           | duplicate facility requested         |
| 4A                           | bad address length                   |
| 4B                           | bad facility length                  |
| 4C                           | facility not provided when expected  |
| 4D                           | invalid CCITT-specified DTE facility |
| 50                           | MISCELLANEOUS                        |
| 51                           | improper cause code from DTE         |
| 52                           | not aligned octet                    |
| 53                           | inconsistent Q bit setting           |
| 54                           | invalid Nui                          |
| 61                           | Dnic unsupported                     |
| 62                           | Tnic mismatch                        |
| 64                           | bad utility parameter                |
| 65                           | bad utility length                   |
| 67                           | M bit error                          |
| 70                           | INTERNATIONAL PROBLEM                |
| 71                           | remote network problem               |
| 72                           | international protocol problem       |
| 73                           | international link out of order      |
| 74                           | international link busy              |
| 75                           | transit network facility problem     |
| 76                           | remote network facility problem      |
| 77                           | international routing problem        |
| 78                           | temporary routing problem            |
| 79                           | unknown called Dnic                  |
| 7A                           | international link refused           |
| 81                           | frame congestion                     |
| 82                           | invalid clear cause                  |

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**Frame relay and X.25 diagnostic codes (continued)**

| <b>Diagnostic code (hex)</b> | <b>Diagnostics description</b>               |
|------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|
| 83                           | incorrect packet size                        |
| 87                           | operator terminated                          |
| 8B                           | no source address                            |
| 8C                           | bad source address                           |
| 8D                           | link disconnect                              |
| 8F                           | level 3 idle probe timeout                   |
| 91                           | destination address supplied for direct call |
| 96                           | subnet interrupt request error               |
| 97                           | subnet interrupt confirmation error          |
| 98                           | restricted fast select calls only allowed    |
| 99                           | incompatible pvc                             |
| 9A                           | local window negotiation error               |
| 9B                           | mandatory fields in call request absent      |
| 9E                           | incomplete field in clear packet             |
| 9F                           | illegal throughput class                     |
| A0                           | hunt group not updated                       |
| A1                           | hunt group unavailable                       |
| A2                           | hunt group disallowed                        |
| A3                           | hunt group Dna insertion error               |
| A4                           | hunt group Dna insertion error               |
| A8                           | utility marker missing                       |
| A9                           | block same service                           |
| AA                           | routing tables unavailable                   |
| AB                           | Nui required                                 |
| AC                           | Nui required for fast select calls           |
| B4                           | call threshold count exceeded                |
| B5                           | unsuccessful call threshold count exceeded   |
| B8                           | database unavailable                         |
| B9                           | input / output collision                     |
| C0                           | invalid backup Dna                           |

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**Frame relay and X.25 diagnostic codes (continued)**

| Diagnostic code (hex) | Diagnostics description               |
|-----------------------|---------------------------------------|
| C1                    | invalid protocol id                   |
| C2                    | invalid user data                     |
| C3                    | no RFS signal on dial-out modem       |
| C4                    | bad dial-out modem                    |
| C5                    | bad CFI frame on dial-out modem       |
| C8                    | dial-out connection established       |
| C9                    | dial-out port connecting              |
| F0                    | higher layer initialized              |
| F9                    | invalid protocol id in call user data |
| (4 of 4)              |                                       |

**Handling problems with an ATM or FrAtm receiver**

The following table provides guidelines for troubleshooting an ATM or FrAtm receiver using Trace System.

**Handling problems with an ATM or FrAtm receiver**

| Problems that may occur                                                                                                                                 | Probable causes                                                                                                       | Corrective measures                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <p>The trace call to the receiver fails to connect. The response to the start command indicates the ATM clear cause and diagnostic for the failure.</p> | <p>Operator error</p><br><p>Provisioning error</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• clear cause 03</li> </ul> | <p>Check that the service trace receiver attribute is set to the desired receiver.</p><br><p>Check that the provisioned calledAddress is set to the correct value for the remote ATM or FrAtm interface.</p> <p>If the serviceCategory is rtVBR or nrtVBR, change it to UBR and try connecting again. If the connection is established this time, the PCR attribute was too big, resulting in the ATM network being unable to find any route that will satisfy the connection request. Restore the old serviceCategory value, reduce the PCR attribute to its proper value, and try connecting again.</p> <p>Check the connectivity of the ATM network.</p> |
| (1 of 3)                                                                                                                                                |                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |



**Handling problems with an ATM or FrAtm receiver (continued)**

| <b>Problems that may occur</b> | <b>Probable causes</b>                                                                                                                                                                        | <b>Corrective measures</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• clear cause 11</li><li>• clear cause 12</li><li>• clear cause 15</li><li>• clear cause 2F</li><li>• clear cause 23</li><li>• clear cause 1B</li></ul> | <p>The called user is busy. Check the setting of the remote ATM or FrAtm interface. There may be insufficient VCC on the remote receiver. When using a FrAtm receiver, check that the provisioned DLCI range for the node matches the settings of the remote FrAtm interface and that all the DLCIs in the FrAtm interface are active and busy.</p> <p>Connect timeout occurs. Check the remote ATM or FrAtm interface setting. There may be insufficient VCC on the remote receiver. When using a FrAtm receiver, check that the provisioned DLCI range for the node matches the settings of the remote FrAtm interface and that all the DLCIs in the FrAtm interface are active and busy.</p> <p>The called party rejects the call. Check the remote ATM or FrAtm interface setting. There may be insufficient VCC on the remote receiver. When using a FrAtm receiver, check that the provisioned DLCI range for the node matches the settings of the remote FrAtm interface and that all the DLCIs in the FrAtm interface are active and busy.</p> <p>Node or network overload occurs. Check the remote ATM or FrAtm interface setting. There may be insufficient VCC on the remote receiver. If the problem persists, report to GTS.</p> <p>The requested VCC is unavailable. Check the remote ATM or FrAtm interface setting. There may be insufficient VCC on the remote interface.</p> <p>Check the remote ATM interface status. With a FrAtm receiver, the A-bit of frame relay PVC is down. Check whether the driver of the frame relay card on the workstation has been started.</p> |
| (2 of 3)                       |                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |



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**Handling problems with an ATM or FrAtm receiver (continued)**

| <b>Problems that may occur</b>                                                                                               | <b>Probable causes</b> | <b>Corrective measures</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| The trace call to the receiver clears unexpectedly. Alarm 7043 0005 contains the clear cause and diagnostic for the failure. | • clear cause 10       | The connection is normally released by the remote trace receiver.                                                                                                                                                                       |
|                                                                                                                              | • clear cause 1B       | Check the remote ATM interface status. With a FrAtm receiver, the A-bit of frame relay PVC is down. This would normally be released by the remote trace receiver. The frame relay card driver on the workstation may have been stopped. |
| (3 of 3)                                                                                                                     |                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |

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**Attention:** For all other clear cause values and the meanings of diagnostic codes, see NN10600-715 *Nortel Multiservice Switch 7400/15000/20000 ATM Fault and Performance Management*.

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# Understanding the Trace System

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This section provides an overview of the Nortel Multiservice Switch Trace System (TS).

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## What is the Trace System

The Nortel Multiservice Switch Trace System (TS) is a diagnostic tool that allows you to troubleshoot the network and to view the information from a centralized and remote location, in real time.

TS copies data on the traced port and appends a trace header to the copied data. TS sends the traced data to a remote receiver over a virtual circuit (VC). There are four types of receivers:

- [X.25 receiver \(page 42\)](#)
- [Frame relay receiver \(page 43\)](#)
- [FrAtm receiver \(page 44\)](#)
- [ATM receiver \(page 45\)](#)



Multiple trace sessions calling multiple trace receivers can be simultaneously active within the same network, module, and function processor.

TS is a user-controlled tool. The user issues the commands to start and stop the trace session, defines the types of data to trace, and determines the destination for the traced data.

Applications and services are categorized as hot, warm, or cold standby based on their sparing behavior. For Multiservice Switch, TS is categorized as a warm standby application when provisioned on a spare LP. Even though it behaves like a cold standby application, TS does not cause the spare LP to reboot when switchover occurs.

Cold standby features increase service outages during an equipment switchover. During an FP switchover, TS stops tracing data and disconnects from the remote receiver, but all the other services in the same FP are not impacted by TS.

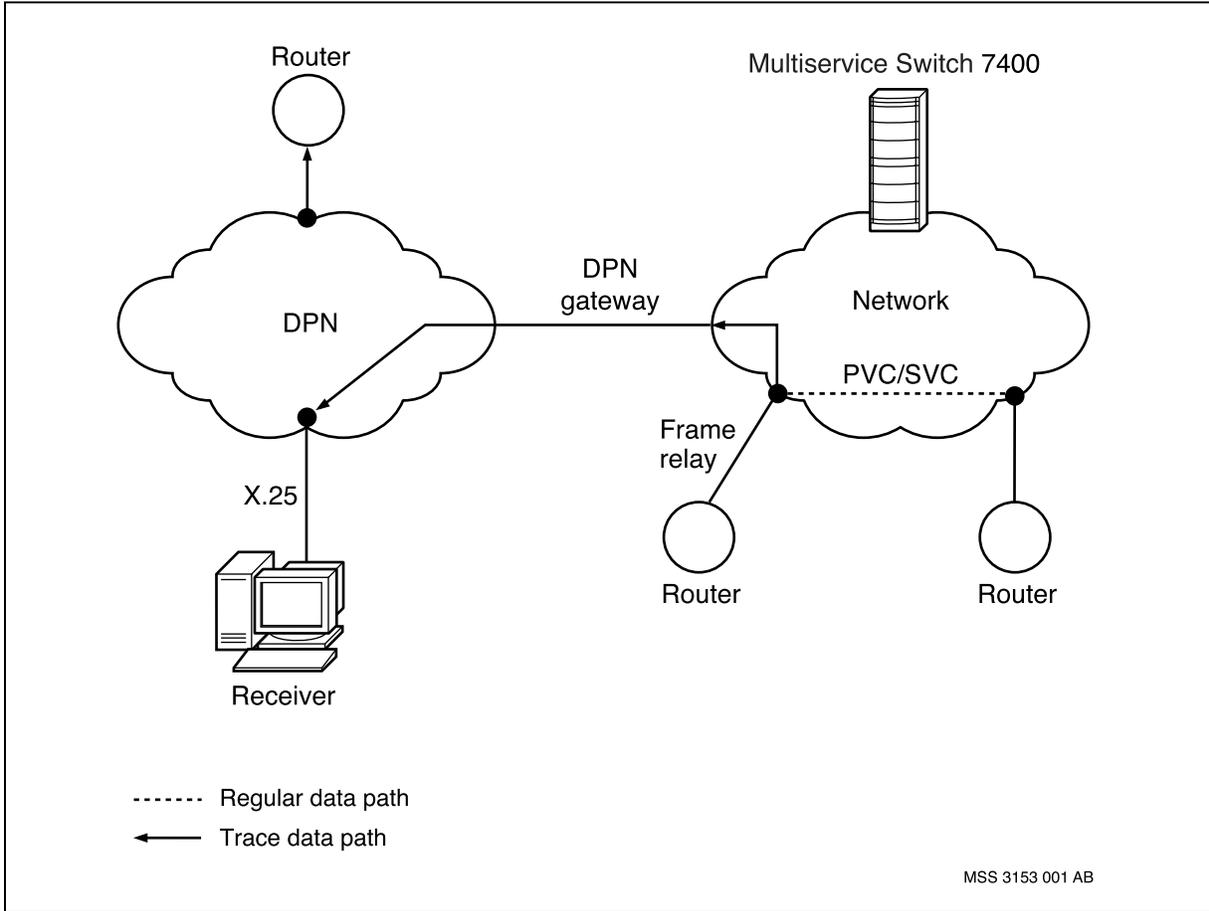
See NN10600-550 *Nortel Multiservice Switch 7400/15000/20000 Common Configuration Procedures* for a description of hitless services and hot, warm, and cold standby applications and features.

### **X.25 receiver**

This receiver can be connected to a DPN module through an X.25 interface on a network with a Nortel Multiservice Switch 7400 series device. The figure [Multiservice Switch 7400 trace data path to an X.25 receiver \(page 43\)](#) shows the data path of a trace from a Nortel Multiservice Switch service to an X.25 receiver.



**Multiservice Switch 7400 trace data path to an X.25 receiver**

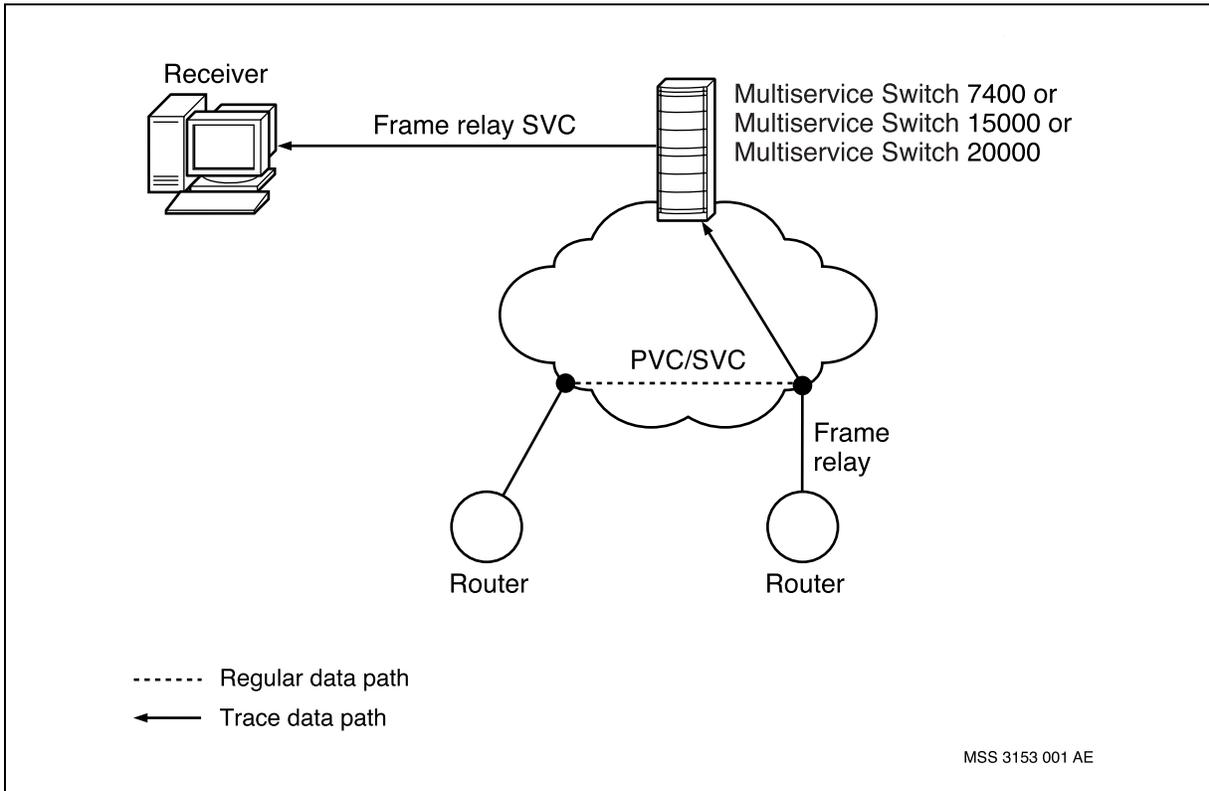


**Frame relay receiver**

This receiver can be connected directly through a frame relay SVC interface. The figure [Multiservice Switch trace data path to a frame relay receiver \(page 44\)](#) shows the data path of a trace from a Nortel Multiservice Switch service to a frame relay receiver.



**Multiservice Switch trace data path to a frame relay receiver**

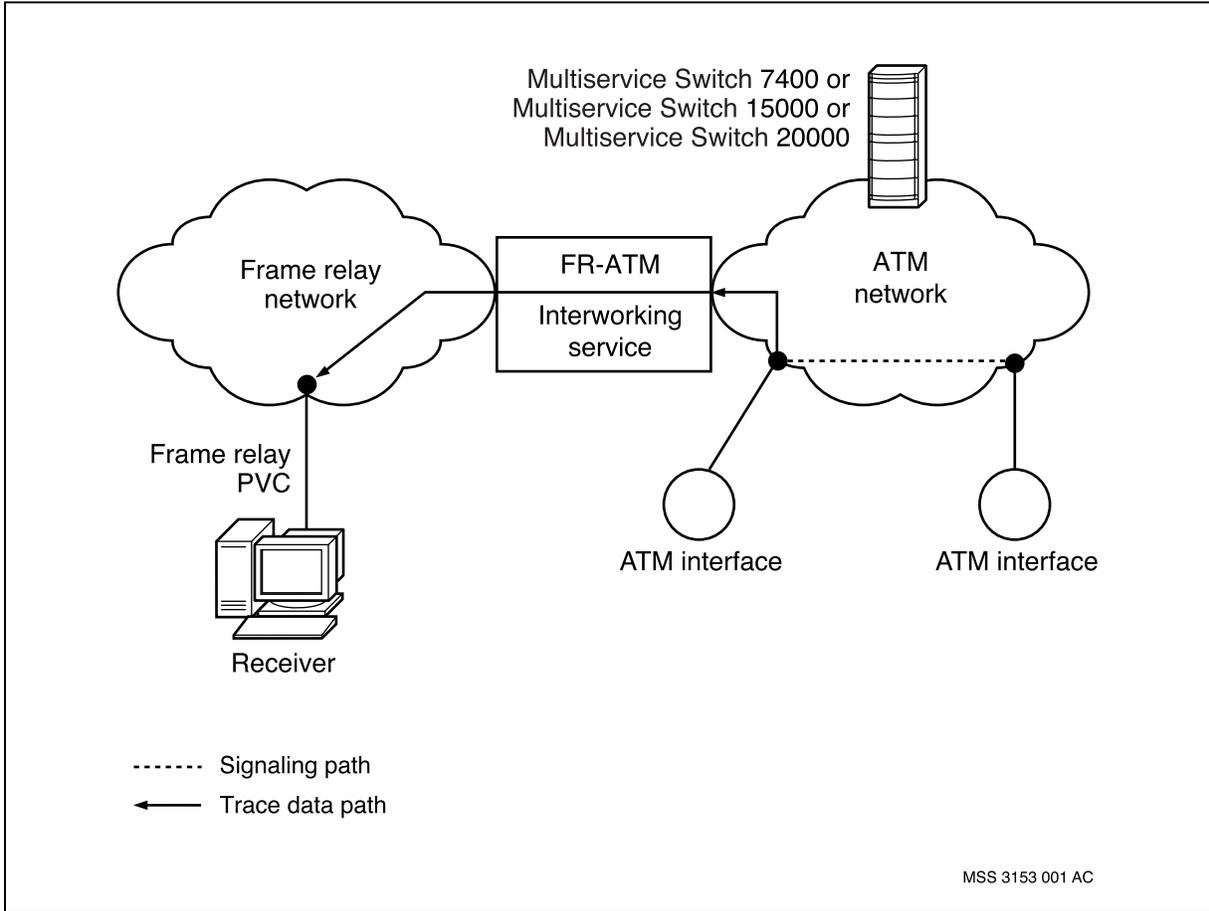


**FrAtm receiver**

This receiver can be connected to an existing frame relay network through a frame relay PVC interface. The figure [Multiservice Switch trace data path to a frame relay receiver \(page 44\)](#) shows the data path of a trace from a Nortel Multiservice Switch service to a FrAtm receiver.



**Multiservice Switch trace data path to a FrAtm receiver**

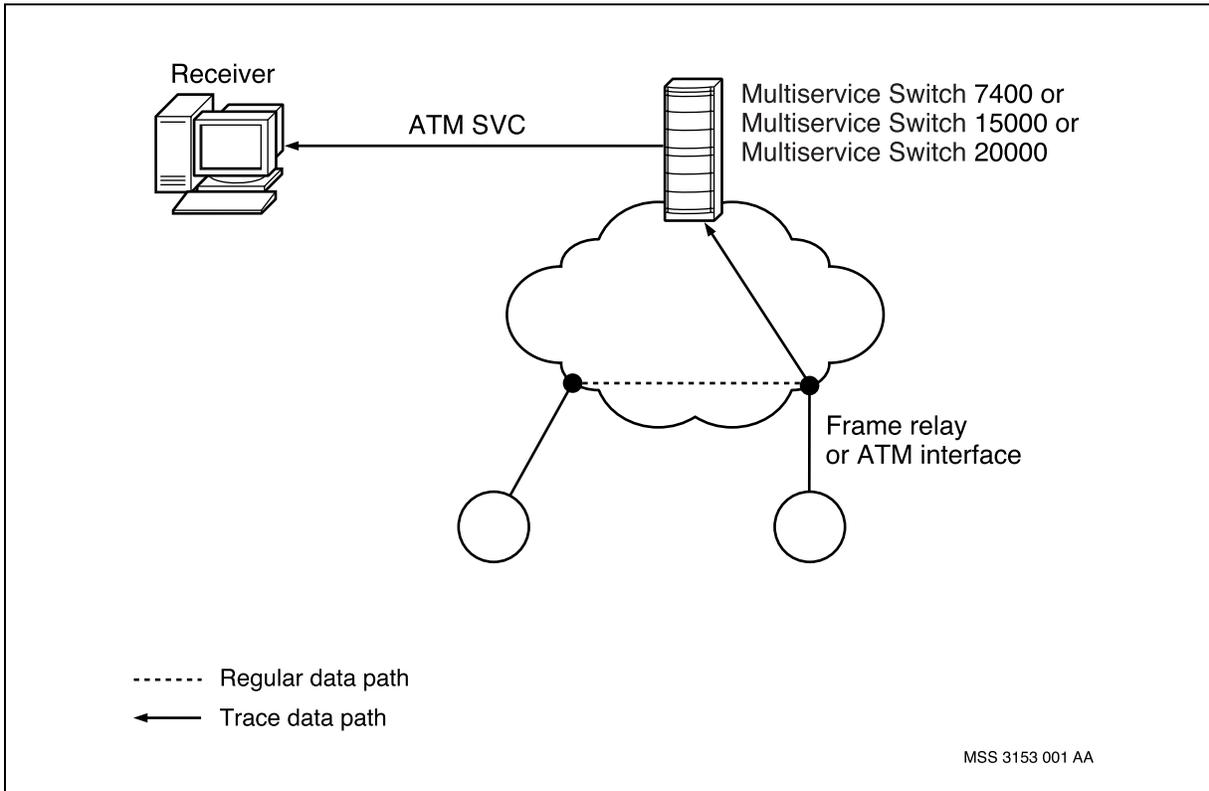


**ATM receiver**

This receiver can be connected through an ATM SVC interface. The figure [Multiservice Switch trace data path to an ATM receiver \(page 46\)](#) shows the data path of a trace session from a Nortel Multiservice Switch ATM signaling channel to an ATM receiver.



### Multiservice Switch trace data path to an ATM receiver



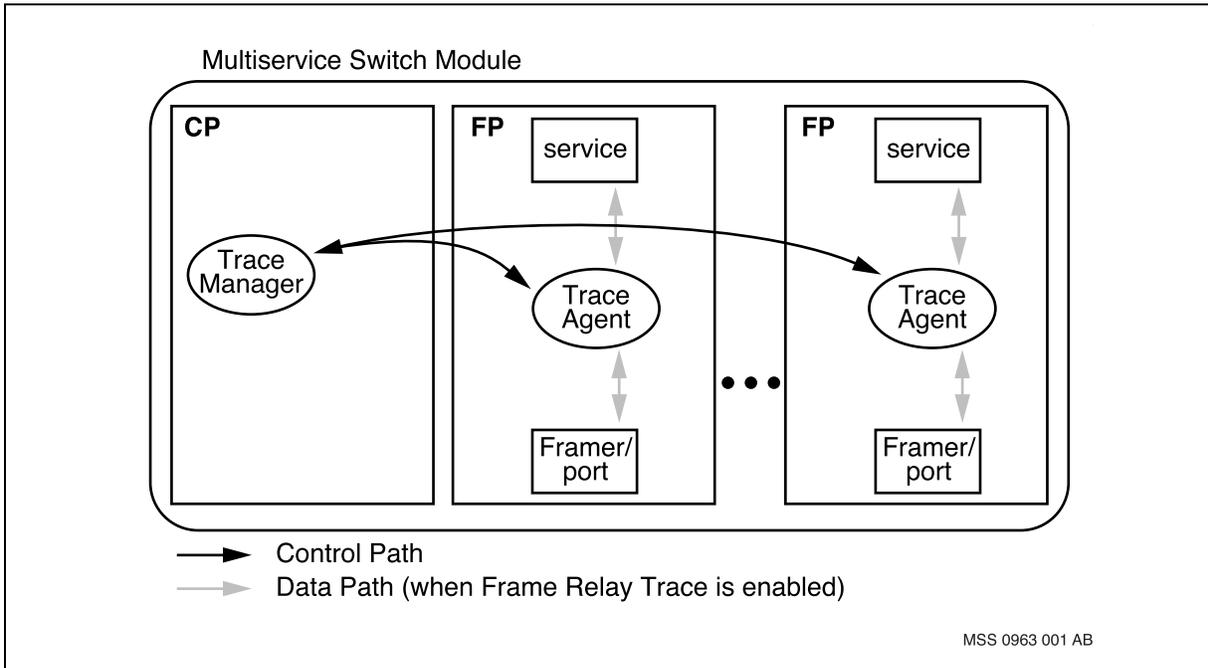
## Trace System

Trace System (TS) is composed of two trace components, one that acts as the trace manager and one that acts as a trace agent. The figure, [ServiceTrace components in a Multiservice Switch module \(page 47\)](#) shows the interaction between the trace manager, trace agent, and traced service on a Nortel Multiservice Switch module. For more information see:

- [Trace manager \(page 48\)](#)
- [Trace agent \(page 49\)](#)
- [Security \(page 51\)](#)
- [Supported services \(page 51\)](#)



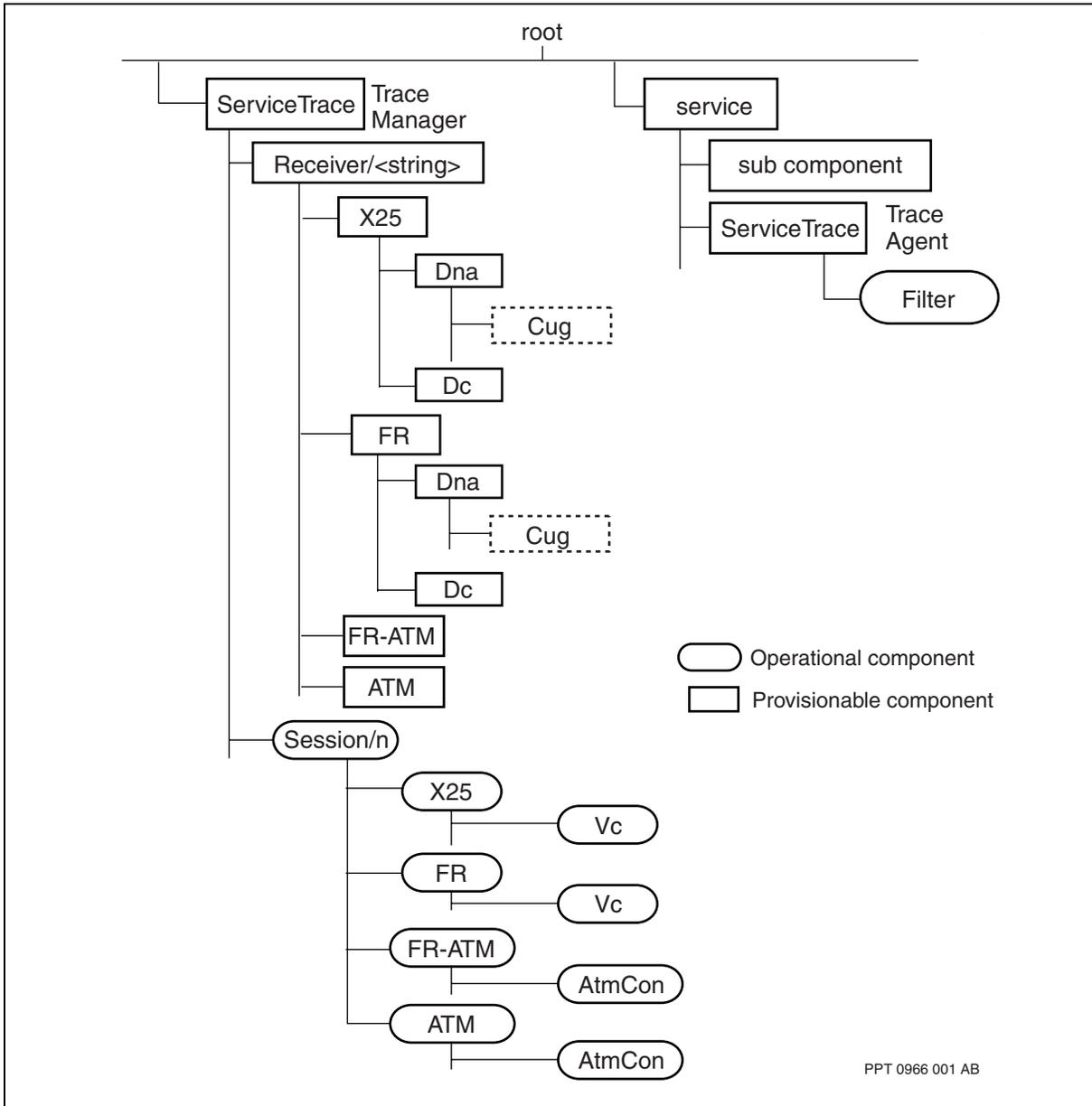
**ServiceTrace components in a Multiservice Switch module**



The figure [ServiceTrace component hierarchy \(page 48\)](#) identifies the components TS uses. To view the complete component hierarchy and for detailed information on components and attributes, see NN10600-060 *Nortel Multiservice Switch 7400/15000/20000 Component Reference*.



### ServiceTrace component hierarchy



### Trace manager

The trace manager is the *ServiceTrace* component that is provisioned directly under the Root. It is not associated with a particular service. The trace manager resides on the control processor (CP), and is responsible for the control path between itself and each trace agent associated with it. The trace manager defines the attributes needed to provision the receiver list.



The trace manager contains two subcomponents: the receiver list and the session list. The receiver list is the set of attributes that provides the direct call to the centralized, troubleshooting locations where each receiver resides. The user provisions this list.

The session list is the set of attributes that identifies each currently active trace session. The session list provides a single point of contact for all active traces on the module. This list is an operational component.

When CP switchover occurs, there is no affect on existing trace sessions. The existing trace sessions reregister to the new trace manager, on the new CP, as soon as a switchover is completed. No new trace sessions can be established until the new CP is active.

When FP switchover occurs, all trace sessions on the failed FP stop and the trace manager removes all the data for those sessions. When FP switchover is completed, the trace manager does not reestablish the trace sessions. You must restart the trace session. For information on starting a trace session, see [Monitoring Service Trace sessions \(page 25\)](#).

## Trace agent

The trace agent is a subcomponent of the access service that Trace System (TS) will trace. Provision the trace agent *ServiceTrace* component under the access service to which it belongs. The trace agent resides on the function processor (FP). You must provision a separate trace agent for each service component on the module that will support TS.

Your support group can provide you with a script to provision the *ServiceTrace* component. See NN10600-030 *Nortel Multiservice Switch 7400/15000/20000 Overview* for information on contacting your support group.

The trace agent on a frame relay session is responsible for the actual tracing of the service. The trace agent

- 1 requests a trace session from the trace manager
- 2 establishes a call to the receiver
- 3 dynamically binds itself into the data path
- 4 filters the data
- 5 encapsulates the data in a trace header
- 6 queues it to be transmitted to the receiver
- 7 unbinds from the service data path when the trace session terminates

If no trace sessions are running, the normal data path flow is unaffected by TS.



All ATM services ONLY support tracing of the signaling channel.

The trace agent also maintains the VC connection to the receiver. It informs the module's trace manager when an operator terminates a trace session or when a session terminates abnormally. This can occur if the receiver terminates the connection.

You can apply filters to narrow the scope of traced data. Filters improve the overall efficiency of traces by decreasing the number of data packets that are traced. This reduction improves the utilization of the trace VC's available bandwidth.

Filters are an operational subcomponent of the trace agent's *ServiceTrace* component and are specific to the service under which the trace agent is provisioned.

All frames passing through the ATM signaling channel are traced and transmitted to the remote receiver directly through the filter. If the frame size is larger than the limitations specified in the receiver data, the frame is truncated.

## Receivers

A receiver displays the data frames in a format that is similar to a datascopes display.

The receiver must be able to

- decode the information frame and trace data headers
- remove the trace data header from the traced frame
- use the trace data header to display the data to the network operator in a format that is similar to a data analyzer display

An X.25 receiver can be any device that connects to an X.25 line and accepts an incoming trace call.

A frame relay receiver can be any device that can connect to a frame relay SVC interface and accept an incoming trace call without the need for TCP/IP encapsulation of the traced data.

A FrAtm receiver can be any device that can connect to a frame relay PVC interface and accept incoming data.

An ATM receiver can be any device that can terminate the ATM SVC call setup and reassemble the AAL5-encapsulated traced data.



## Software compatibility

The Nortel Networks Preside Multiservice Data Manager workstation-based receiver is available with NexusTRACE software developed by Nexus Telecom AG. NexusTRACE is a virtual protocol analyzer that decodes most standard protocols. The workstation receives the data, then decodes and displays it. The data may be stored for further analysis. The header information is displayed along with the traced data. See the NexusTRACE User Manual for more information or visit [www.nexus-ag.com](http://www.nexus-ag.com).

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**Attention:** The frame relay trace receiver feature is only supported with V4.0 or later of the NexusTRACE application. See the NexusTRACE User Manual for more information.

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**Attention:** When the frame relay trace receiver is used, it is possible to experience lock-ups of the trace session in a congested UNIX SunOS environment. If lock-up occurs, the trace session needs to be restarted.

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**Attention:** The FrAtm or ATM trace receiver feature is only supported with version 7.0 or later of the NexusTRACE application. See the NexusTRACE User Manual for more information.

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The trace headers are part of a published, open interface. Customers can develop their own receivers using the information provided in this document.

## Security

For security reasons you must provision Trace System (TS) on each Nortel Multiservice Switch module and each line that will support it.

You need to provision TS on the control processor (CP) and the service you want to trace. This prevents a customer who owns a single service, but does not own the module on which it resides, from starting a trace session without the module owner's consent.

## Supported services

The following frame relay services support Nortel Multiservice Switch Trace System:

- frame relay UNI
  - PVC
  - SVC
- frame relay NNI
  - PVC



## — SVC

Multiservice Switch frame relay DTE does not support Trace System.

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**Attention:** Provision one trace agent component for each frame relay component. You do not need to provision the trace agent for each DLCI.

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The following options are available to filter traced frame relay data:

- no filtering (default)  
provides no filtering options. TS traces all frames on the link untruncated, including frames to and from all DLCIs, LMI frames, and error frames.
- specific DLCI frames  
traces only frames that are travelling to or from the specified DLCI
- only LMI frames
- direction  
filter the trace so that only frames going to the link (egress) or frames coming from the link (ingress) are traced
- remove bad frames  
filters error frames out of the data
- truncate frames  
truncates traced frames to improve the bandwidth utilization of the trace VC

The following ATM signaling services support Trace System:

- UNI, IISP, PNNI, and AINI

## SNMP management

You can manage Nortel Multiservice Switch Trace System (TS) with SNMP, using a Multiservice Switch Enterprise MIB. TS does not support IF Entry registration.

For more information, see NN10600-300 *Nortel Multiservice Switch 7400/15000/20000 Operations: SNMP*.

## Performing trace sessions

For more details on Nortel Multiservice Switch Trace System, see the following sections:

- [Call establishment \(page 53\)](#)
- [Tracing data \(page 55\)](#)



- [Good and bad frames \(page 57\)](#)
- [Data queuing \(page 58\)](#)

### Call establishment

When you issue a command to start a trace session, the trace agent uses the provisioning data stored in the receiver list to establish a call to the receiver. The trace agent is responsible for maintaining the VC connection associated with the call for the duration of the trace session.

When the call connects, the trace agent sends the information frame to the receiver. The information frame contains the data that allows the receiver to identify the service you are tracing. The information frame always precedes any data Trace System transmits to the receiver.

The figure [Information frame \(page 54\)](#) illustrates the location of the fields in the information frame.

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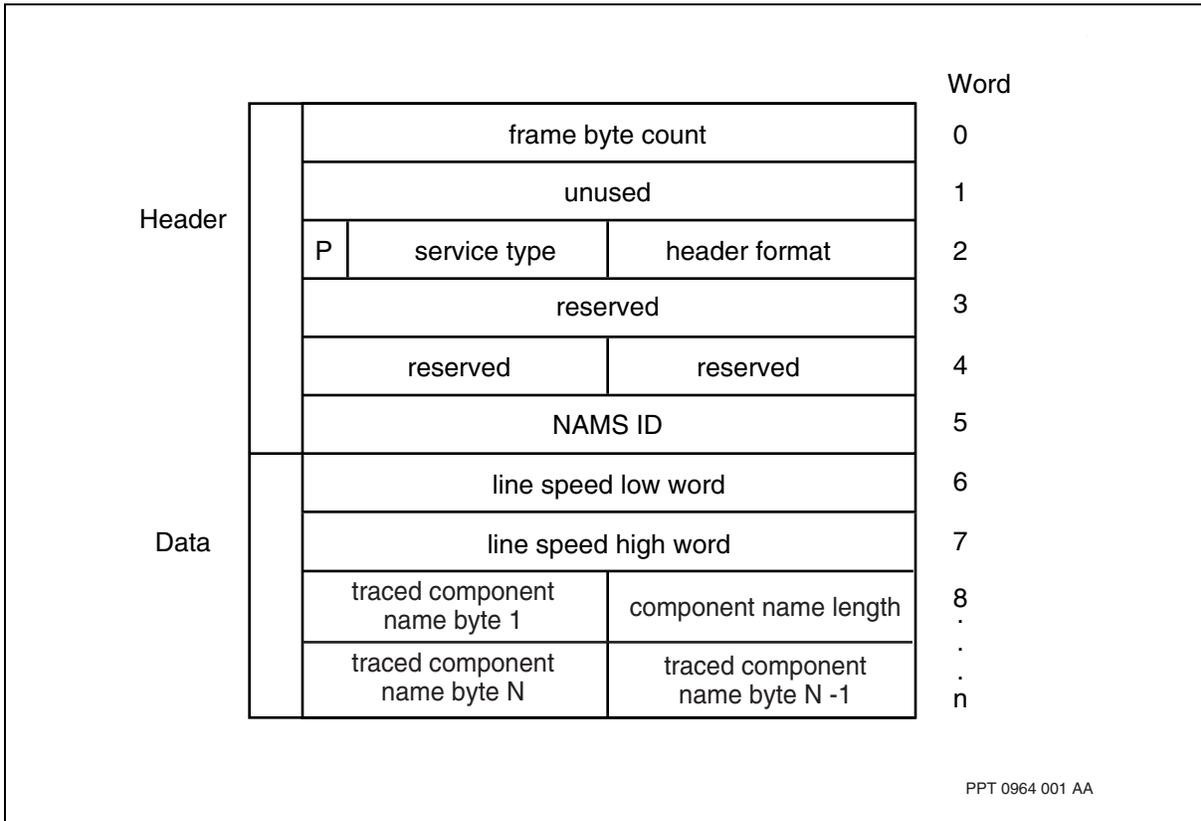
**Attention:** One bit is reserved in word 2 to differentiate between trace sessions originating from Nortel Multiservice Switch nodes and trace sessions originating from DPN-100 modules. Trace System is compatible with DPN Trace.

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See the table [Information frame fields \(page 54\)](#) for a detailed explanation of each of the fields in the information frame.



**Information frame**



**Information frame fields**

| Field name       | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| frame byte count | This field indicates the number of data bytes in the information frame.                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| P                | This field is used to differentiate a Multiservice Switch node originated trace from a DPN-100 originated trace. A value of 1 indicates the trace session is from a Multiservice Switch module. A value of 0 indicates the trace session is from a DPN-100 module. |
| service type     | This field indicates the type of service providing the trace data. See the table, <a href="#">Trace header fields</a> for service type values.                                                                                                                     |
| header format    | This field indicates whether or not the trace session includes bad frames. The default value of 1 indicates that the trace session includes bad frames. A value of 0 indicates that TS has filtered bad frames from the traced data.                               |
| reserved         | The fields in words 3 and 4 are reserved and will be used to provide information about the port interface.                                                                                                                                                         |
| NAMS ID          | This field contains the module NAMS ID of the service running TS.                                                                                                                                                                                                  |

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**Information frame fields (continued)**

| Field name            | Description                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|-----------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| line speed            | This field contains the speed of the line you are tracing. The speed is a two word hex value.                                                                                                            |
| component name length | This field specifies the length of the traced component name. The value is between 0 and 79 and is in the form of, for example, Atmlf/30 Pnni. This field is only available on FR-ATM and ATM receivers. |
| traced component name | This field specifies the name of the traced component so that the receiver can identify which connection is being traced. This field is only available on FR-ATM and ATM receivers.                      |

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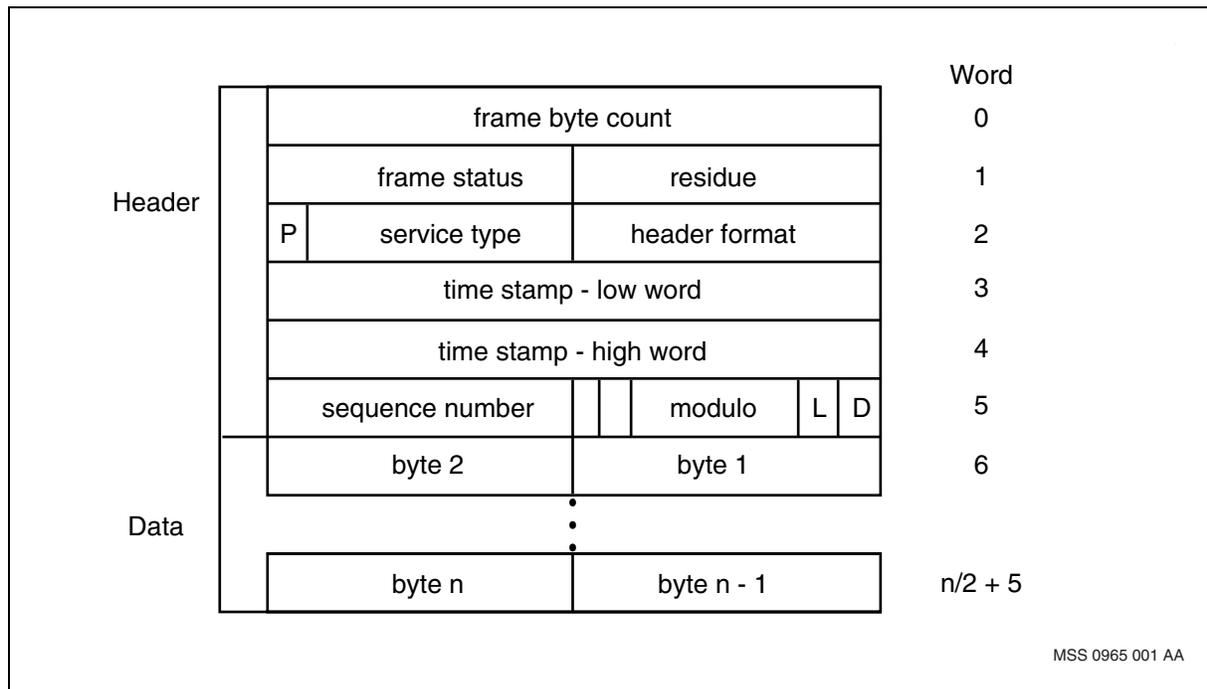
**Tracing data**

You can trace frames from the access service once the trace agent sends the information frame to the receiver. The trace agent filters the data and appends a trace header, creating a trace data packet. Each data packet contains only one frame.

The figure [Trace header \(page 55\)](#) illustrates the location of the fields in the trace header.

See the table [Possible status field events and values \(page 57\)](#) for an explanation of each of the fields in the trace header.

**Trace header**





**Trace header fields**

| Field name       | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |             |              |      |             |      |                                       |      |                                       |      |                       |      |                                    |      |                                    |      |                        |      |                        |
|------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|--------------|------|-------------|------|---------------------------------------|------|---------------------------------------|------|-----------------------|------|------------------------------------|------|------------------------------------|------|------------------------|------|------------------------|
| Frame byte count | This field indicates the actual number of bytes in the trace data packet, excluding the header, before truncation. This field can contain the value zero if TS traces a bad frame and cannot retrieve the actual frame data.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |             |              |      |             |      |                                       |      |                                       |      |                       |      |                                    |      |                                    |      |                        |      |                        |
| Frame status     | This field indicates the type of data TS is tracing. The table <a href="#">Possible status field events and values (page 57)</a> lists valid frame status values.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |             |              |      |             |      |                                       |      |                                       |      |                       |      |                                    |      |                                    |      |                        |      |                        |
| Residue          | This field contains the total number of bits and the residue number of bits in the frame.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |             |              |      |             |      |                                       |      |                                       |      |                       |      |                                    |      |                                    |      |                        |      |                        |
| P                | This field indicates the source of the trace session. A value of 1 indicates the trace session is from a Multiservice Switch module. A value of 0 indicates the trace session is from a DPN module.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |             |              |      |             |      |                                       |      |                                       |      |                       |      |                                    |      |                                    |      |                        |      |                        |
| Service Type     | This field indicates the type of service providing the trace data.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |             |              |      |             |      |                                       |      |                                       |      |                       |      |                                    |      |                                    |      |                        |      |                        |
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| Values           | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |             |              |      |             |      |                                       |      |                                       |      |                       |      |                                    |      |                                    |      |                        |      |                        |
| H.17             | Frame relay                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |             |              |      |             |      |                                       |      |                                       |      |                       |      |                                    |      |                                    |      |                        |      |                        |
| H.1C             | ATM signaling/UNI 3.0                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |             |              |      |             |      |                                       |      |                                       |      |                       |      |                                    |      |                                    |      |                        |      |                        |
| H.1D             | ATM signaling/UNI 3.1                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |             |              |      |             |      |                                       |      |                                       |      |                       |      |                                    |      |                                    |      |                        |      |                        |
| H.1E             | ATM signaling/UNI 4.0                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |             |              |      |             |      |                                       |      |                                       |      |                       |      |                                    |      |                                    |      |                        |      |                        |
| H.1F             | ATM signaling/IISP 1.0 ver UNI 3.0                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |             |              |      |             |      |                                       |      |                                       |      |                       |      |                                    |      |                                    |      |                        |      |                        |
| H.20             | ATM signaling/IISP 1.0 ver UNI 3.1                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |             |              |      |             |      |                                       |      |                                       |      |                       |      |                                    |      |                                    |      |                        |      |                        |
| H.21             | ATM signaling/PNNI 1.0                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |             |              |      |             |      |                                       |      |                                       |      |                       |      |                                    |      |                                    |      |                        |      |                        |
| H.22             | ATM signaling/AINI 1.0                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |             |              |      |             |      |                                       |      |                                       |      |                       |      |                                    |      |                                    |      |                        |      |                        |
| Header format    | This field indicates the type of header layout.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |             |              |      |             |      |                                       |      |                                       |      |                       |      |                                    |      |                                    |      |                        |      |                        |
| Time stamp       | This field contains the time the port running the trace sent or received the event. This two-word value is a 10 milliseconds resolution of the length of time the FP is operational.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |             |              |      |             |      |                                       |      |                                       |      |                       |      |                                    |      |                                    |      |                        |      |                        |
| Sequence number  | This field contains an 8-bit sequence number and is used by frame relay trace receivers to detect lost frames. X.25 trace receivers can ignore this field since an X.25 connection is reliable.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |             |              |      |             |      |                                       |      |                                       |      |                       |      |                                    |      |                                    |      |                        |      |                        |
| Modulo           | This field is a four-bit field indicating the frame modulo of the service that is running the trace. The TS receiver uses this field to decode the level 3 data.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |             |              |      |             |      |                                       |      |                                       |      |                       |      |                                    |      |                                    |      |                        |      |                        |
|                  | <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Field value</th> <th>Frame modulo</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>0</td> <td>modulo 8</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1</td> <td>modulo 128 single octet control field</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2</td> <td>modulo 128 double octet control field</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Field value | Frame modulo | 0    | modulo 8    | 1    | modulo 128 single octet control field | 2    | modulo 128 double octet control field |      |                       |      |                                    |      |                                    |      |                        |      |                        |
| Field value      | Frame modulo                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |             |              |      |             |      |                                       |      |                                       |      |                       |      |                                    |      |                                    |      |                        |      |                        |
| 0                | modulo 8                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |             |              |      |             |      |                                       |      |                                       |      |                       |      |                                    |      |                                    |      |                        |      |                        |
| 1                | modulo 128 single octet control field                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |             |              |      |             |      |                                       |      |                                       |      |                       |      |                                    |      |                                    |      |                        |      |                        |
| 2                | modulo 128 double octet control field                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |             |              |      |             |      |                                       |      |                                       |      |                       |      |                                    |      |                                    |      |                        |      |                        |

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**Trace header fields (continued)**

| Field name              | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| L (lost bit)            | This field indicates whether trace data packets have been discarded or not. A field value of 1 indicates that trace data packets have been discarded before being sent to the receiver; otherwise, the field value is 0, which indicates that no trace data frames have been discarded. See <a href="#">Data queuing (page 58)</a> . |
| D (direction bit)       | This field indicates the direction of the event from the service's perspective. A field value of 0 means the service received the event. A field value of 1 means the service sent the event.                                                                                                                                        |
| Byte 1 to byte <i>n</i> | This field contains the data bytes of the TS data packet.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
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**Good and bad frames**

The header's frame status field identifies good and bad frames. The table [Possible status field events and values \(page 57\)](#) identifies the frame status value for different trace events. For more information see the following sections:

- [Good frames \(page 58\)](#)
- [Bad frames \(page 58\)](#)

The following table lists the possible event types and frame status values that appear in the status field of the trace header.

Values for both the Nortel Multiservice Switch Trace System and DPN-100 Trace are included in the table.

**Possible status field events and values**

| Traced event            | Frame status value              |
|-------------------------|---------------------------------|
| good data frame         | H.00                            |
| frame underruns         | H.01 (DPN only)                 |
| modem status change     | H.02 (DPN only)                 |
| frame non octet aligned | H.03 (Multiservice Switch only) |
| frame too long          | H.04 (Multiservice Switch only) |
| frame repeated          | H.05 (Multiservice Switch only) |
| frame skipped           | H.06 (Multiservice Switch only) |
| frame abort             | H.10                            |
| frame overrun           | H.20                            |
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**Possible status field events and values (continued)**

| Traced event     | Frame status value |
|------------------|--------------------|
| frame CRC error  | H.40               |
| frame card error | H.80 (DPN only)    |
| (2 of 2)         |                    |

**Good frames**

Trace System (TS) traces good frames without the frame cyclic redundancy check (CRC) bytes because the hardware removes the CRC. TS does not trace flags between frames. TS traces the transmit frame before the frame goes out to the link.

**Bad frames**

Where possible, TS traces a partial or complete bad frame. In certain situations, data is not available to trace. In these situations, the frame status field indicates the type of error, and the frame byte count field contains a value of zero. TS does not trace frame underruns since it traces transmit frames before the frame goes out to the link.

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**Attention:** ATM signaling trace cannot generate bad frames, so H.00 is the only possible value for this field. During an ATM signaling trace, all received signaling frames are reassembled in the AAL5 layer. If the transmitted frames are damaged, they cannot be reassembled, and will be discarded.

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**Data queuing**

The formatted trace data packets are queued on the service FP until the VC sends them to the trace receiver.

The system sends a message alarm when the queue reaches 50%, 75%, and 100%. If the queue becomes full (reaches 100%), Trace System discards the trace data packets and the sets the lost bit on the last packet in the queue. When the queue recovers to 75%, the trace data packets are queued again and the lost bit clears. As a result, the lost bit indicates the point at which a gap occurs in the traced data.

You can specify the queue for trace data in increments of kbytes, up to a maximum of 100 kbytes. The default queue length is 20 kbytes.

To guarantee that no traced data is lost, the bandwidth for the trace VC must be equal to the sum of the bandwidth the traced line uses in both the transmit and the receive directions.



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## System capabilities and limitations

The capabilities and limitations of Trace System (TS) include the following:

- You can specify the congestion level threshold at which point trace data is discarded.
- For security purposes, you provision TS on each module and line that supports it.
- TS supports multiple active sessions operating on a module. A maximum of 50 active trace sessions can run simultaneously on a module. Among these, a maximum of 5 ATM or FR-ATM trace connections are permitted per shelf.
- For X.25 and frame relay, the trace direct call to the receiver supports closed user groups (Cug) and user data. See NN10600-900 *Nortel Multiservice Switch 7400/15000/20000 Frame Relay Technology Fundamentals* for information about closed user groups.
- You can specify the queues for trace data up to a maximum of 100 kbytes.
- The amount of data that TS traces is limited by the speed of the path to the receiver, the performance of the receiver, and the size of the trace agent queue.
- When the FP is running at 100% utilization, expect the performance of all applications on the FP to degrade even if the trace is enabled on one application only.
- TS does not trace cyclic redundancy check (CRC) bytes. TS flags a frame with a bad CRC as a bad frame.
- TS does not trace underruns, flags between frames and modem status changes.
- If you unload TS from an FP the FP will reboot. The last FP to unload TS causes the control processor (CP) to reboot. During an FP reboot, active trace sessions on the affected FP and the trace session's operational data are lost.

## System recommendations

Use the following recommendations to optimize network performance while using Trace System (TS):

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**Attention:** If you exceed these recommendations, the FP may become message-block congested or the CPU may exceed 100% utilization when TS is enabled. When this happens, a trace session can stop unexpectedly or fail to establish. If you use the following recommendations, there is no guarantee that you will not lose traced data.

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- Perform one trace session on each FP if the traced port has a frame throughput greater than 500 frames per second.
- Make sure the frame throughput of each port does not exceed 100 frames per second if you are simultaneously tracing all ports on an FP.
- Truncate traced frames by filtering if possible. This reduces the volume of traced frames the network needs to transport to the receiver.
- Truncate all frames larger than 256 bytes (excluding ATM signaling trace).
- Do not perform trace sessions on an FP if its CPU utilization is greater than 75%, and the port that you are tracing has a throughput of more than 500 frames per second.
- Do not perform trace sessions on an FP that consistently uses more than 300 kbytes of shared message blocks with a 512 kbyte maximum.

## End-to-end system performance

End-to-end system performance includes frame relay service and ATM signaling service.

### Frame relay service

The end-to-end throughput of Trace System varies, depending on

- the available bandwidth for the traffic
- the subnet windowing mechanism
- the processing power of the receiver

The estimated end-to-end throughput of the trace VC terminating on an X.25 line is

- 200 frames per second with no loss of trace data
- 5000 frames per second with loss of trace data

The estimated end-to-end throughput of the trace VC terminating on a frame relay interface is

- 500 frames per second with no loss of trace data
- 7000 frames per second with loss of trace data

### ATM signaling service

The end-to-end throughput of the ATM service on Trace System depends on the available PCR and service category for the traffic, the processing power of the FP, and the type and processing power of the receiver. There is normally no loss of signaling trace data due to the low traffic volume on the signaling channel.



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## Procedure conventions

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This document uses the following procedure conventions:

- You can enter commands using full component and attribute names, or you can abbreviate them. The commands used in the procedures contain the full component and attribute names in the first instance. In the second instance, the component and attribute names are abbreviated. For more information on abbreviating component and attribute names, see NN10600-060 *Nortel Multiservice Switch 7400/15000/20000 Component Reference*. All component and attribute names are formatted in italics.
- The introduction of every procedure states whether you must perform the procedure in operational mode or provisioning mode. For more information on these modes, see [Operational mode \(page 61\)](#) or [Provisioning mode \(page 62\)](#).
- When you complete a procedure, you can verify your changes and then activate them as the new node configuration. For more information on completing configuration changes and exiting provisioning mode, see [Activating configuration changes \(page 62\)](#).

### Operational mode

Procedures contained within this document can either be performed in operational mode or provisioning mode. When you initially log into a node, you are in operational mode. Nortel Multiservice Switch systems use the following command prompt when you are in operational mode:

```
#>
```

where:

# is the current command number

In operational mode, you work with operational components and attributes. In operational mode, you can

- list operational components and display operational attributes to determine the current operating parameters for the node
- control the state of parts of the node by locking and unlocking components



- set certain operational attributes and enter commands to perform diagnostic tests

## Provisioning mode

To change from operational mode to provisioning mode, type the following command at the operator prompt:

```
start Prov
```

Only one user can be in provisioning mode at a time. Nortel Multiservice Switch systems use the following command prompt whenever you are in provisioning mode:

```
PROV #>
```

where:

# is the current command number

In provisioning mode, you work with the provisionable components and attributes that contain the current and future configurations of the node. You can add and delete components, and display and set provisionable attributes. For information on completing the configuration changes, exiting provisioning mode, and returning to operational mode see [Activating configuration changes \(page 62\)](#).

For information on operational and provisionable attributes, see NN10600-060 *Nortel Multiservice Switch 7400/15000/20000 Component Reference*.

## Activating configuration changes

Several procedures in this document ask that you complete the configuration changes. When you complete the configuration changes, you are activating the configuration changes, confirming that you want to activate them, and saving the changes. You are instructed to complete the configuration changes only at the end of procedures that you perform in provisioning mode.

|  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
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|  | <p><b>CAUTION</b><br/><b>Activating a provisioning view can affect service</b><br/>Activating a provisioning view can result in a CP reload or restart, causing all services on the node to fail. See NN10600-050 <i>Nortel Multiservice Switch 7400/15000/20000 Command Reference</i>, for more information.</p> |
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**CAUTION**

**Risk of service failure**

When you activate the provisioning changes (see [step 3](#)), you have 20 minutes to confirm these changes. If you do not confirm these changes within 20 minutes, the shelf resets and all services on the node fail.

- 1 Verify that the provisioning changes you have made are acceptable.

**check Prov**

Correct any errors and then verify the provisioning changes again.

- 2 If you want to store the provisioning changes in a file, save the provisioning view.

**save -f(<filename>) Prov**

- 3 If you want these changes as well as other changes made in the edit view to take effect immediately, activate, confirm, and commit the provisioning changes.

**activate Prov**

**confirm Prov**

**commit Prov**

- 4 End the provisioning session.

**end Prov**



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## Operations: Trace System

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