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# Configuration Guide

## Performance Testing of Data Traffic on AudioCodes Mediant™ MSBR

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# 1 Introduction

This document provides step-by-step procedures for testing the performance of data traffic handling by AudioCodes Mediant MSBR device. This testing is done on-premises at the customer's site.

This document is typically intended for Field Application Engineers (FAE), Professional Services Engineers, R&D, and Quality Assurance (QA) teams.

The procedures described in this document are applicable to Software Version 6.6 and later.

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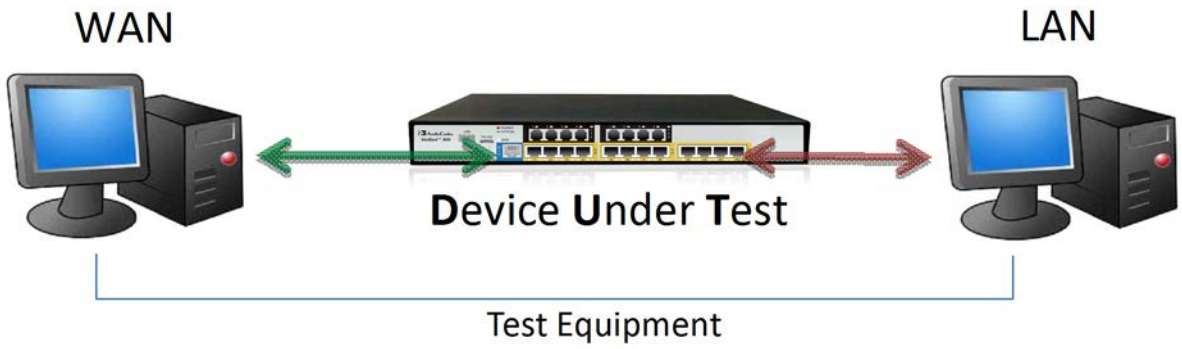
# 2 Running the Performance Test

The Performance test is run from the device's WAN port to the LAN port, as shown below.

**Figure 2-1: Performance Testing – LAN to WAN**




Before running the "full throttle" traffic test, make sure that the platform is ready to be tested to full capability. Therefore, the test procedure below first tests low generated traffic speed at a rate of one packet per second.

➢ **To run the performance test:**

1. Start your third-party packet generator (e.g., Iperf) and configure it to generate packets at a rate of one packet per second.
2. Verify that the packets are marked as "cavim-fastpath" on both sides of the traffic. This is done by running the `firewall states` command. Note that some traffic paths do not support fast-path and therefore, the traffic rate could be slower. If this is the case, you can skip this step.

```
MSBR# show data ip firewall states brief
Active Connections 1, quota 20000.
New connections will be created above the quota if there are
more than 1228800 bytes of free memory. Current free memory is
73527296 bytes.
Fastpath packets: 10309, Fullpath packets: 23585
Totals: TCP 0 UDP 1 ICMP 0
NAT total: 0, of them TCP 0 UDP 0 ICMP 0
1:        UDP  172.16.21.10:6000     <->172.16.21.10:6000
[10.160.32.233:6000] ttl
119 bytes 20.1/20.1 pkts 397/397 sticky 0/1 kbps 10/10 pps
0.5/0.5 eth1 Route Incoming
UNSECURED FW-FP-ENA FW-FP-CAP HW-FP-ENA HW-FP-CAP
        FP IN:  (a800000005efd100) eth1->eth0.21 <cavim-
fastpath> id-800000000fc9ba00,
pkts-396, used-1 out_dev-eth0
        FP OUT: (a800000006151200) eth0.21->eth1 <cavim-
fastpath> id-a800000004f09080,
pkts-396, used-1 out_dev-eth1
```

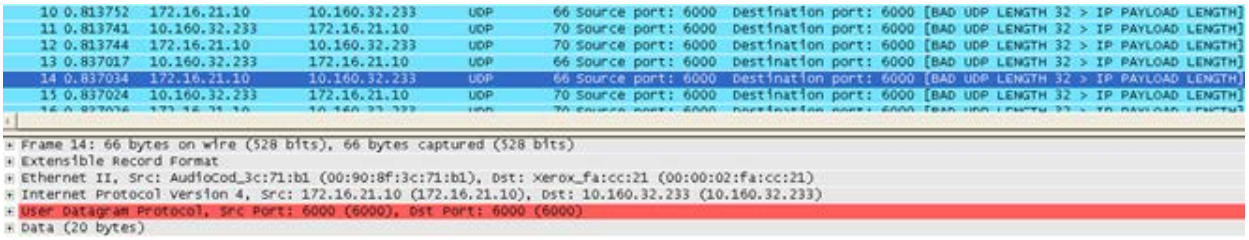
3. Debug capture provides the ability to record traffic running on the MSBR, and analyze packets along their paths. To verify that packets are running in the system exactly as the system is configured, perform **physical** debug captures as shown below:

```
MSBR# debug capture data physical eth-lan
MSBR# debug capture data physical eth-wan
MSBR# debug capture data physical start
MSBR# debug capture data physical stop <TFTP server IP
address>
```

The physical interface type supports other options (for example, eth-t1 or fiber), depending on the physical interfaces provided on the MSBR's chassis.

4. Analyze the debug capture using Wireshark to provide a reasonable explanation about the data traffic. The physical capture allows the packets to follow from one interface to the other.

**Figure 2-2: Wireshark Physical Capture**




5. Now that your MSBR is setup correctly, set your third-party packet generator to generate packets at maximum capacity (full throttle), and run the Performance test.

# 3 Reporting a Traffic Performance Problem

If the Performance test shows a problem and the traffic rates are not as expected according to configuration and MSBR's physical capabilities, run the following commands and send their output results to AudioCodes FAE / Data Integration Team for analysis:

- **`show run`** for voip, system and data
- **`show system version`**
- **`show data ip interface brief`**
- **`show data ip route`**
- If VPN Routing and Forwarding (VRF) has been set up, add the relevant route print of the VRF as well as the **`no VRF route`** table.
- **`show data ip firewall states brief`**
- **`debug capture`** of a recording of one packet per second rate

In addition to the above, take a photograph of the **cable setup on your MSBR** and send it as well.

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