

### **All LANforge-FIRE Cookbooks**

The LANforge-FIRE Cookbook provides a set of high-level examples of how to setup useful test scenarios in LANforge-FIRE for traffic generation. Each example intends to give the reader a brief introduction to the test scenario and a set of step-by-step instructions on how to use the LANforge-GUI to configure the test.

All of the following examples will work on Linux systems running the LANforge software with the LANforge kernel and a sufficient license. If you are running another Linux kernel, you will not be able to exactly duplicate some of the examples, but there are usually work-arounds available to assist you. Please contact us at <a href="mailto:support@candelatech.com">support@candelatech.com</a> if you have any questions.

If you are using the Windows version of LANforge, you will have to modify ports using the Windows utilities. Everything else should work approximately the same, but the performance is limited to 10Mbps speeds.

### **LANforge-FIRE Traffic Generation**

Before attempting the examples below, ensure that you have successfully followed these software installation guides:

- LANforge-GUI Installation
- LANforge Server Installation

It is also recommended that you back up your current running LANforge Server database so that you may safely return to your current operating state.

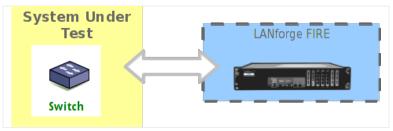
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Use Dataplane to test throughput and latency at different packet sizes

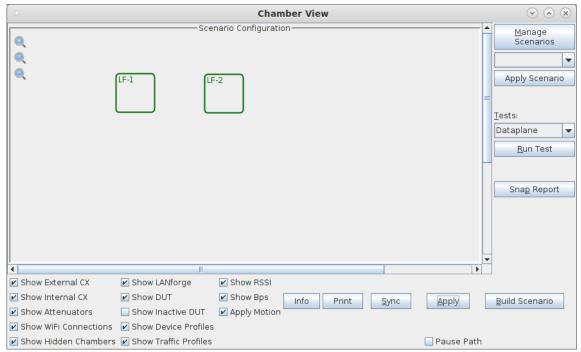
# Goal: Setup and run a Dataplane test for an Ethernet network using two 10G LANforge systems.

In this test scenario, we use a system similar to the LANforge CT503-10g. The DUT is just a looped-back Ethernet cable. A real-world use of this test in the lab might have the DUT be a router, firewall, switch, or LAN. A field deployment could have one LANforge system at two different end points of a Wide Area Network. This feature requires LANforge version 5.4.1 or higher.

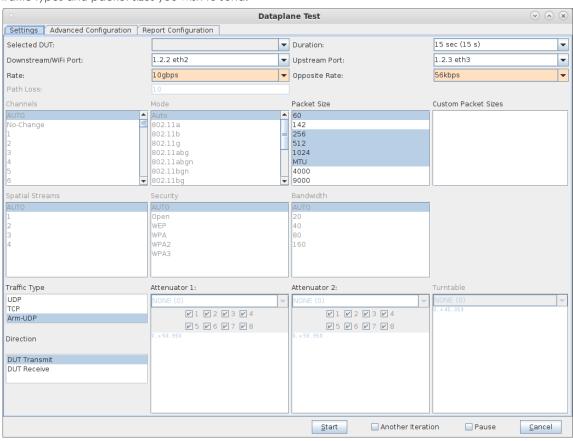




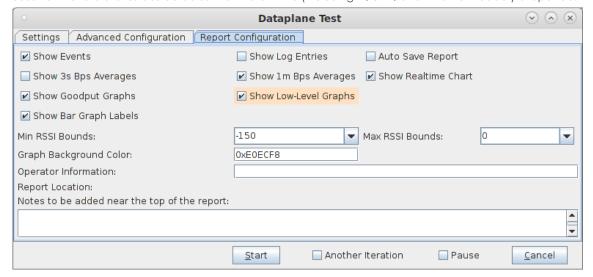
- 1. Use Chamber View to launch Dataplane test.
  - A. Open Chamber View by clicking on the 'Chamber View' button in the LANforge-GUI. You are welcome to build a scenario, but for this particular test, a scenario is not required.



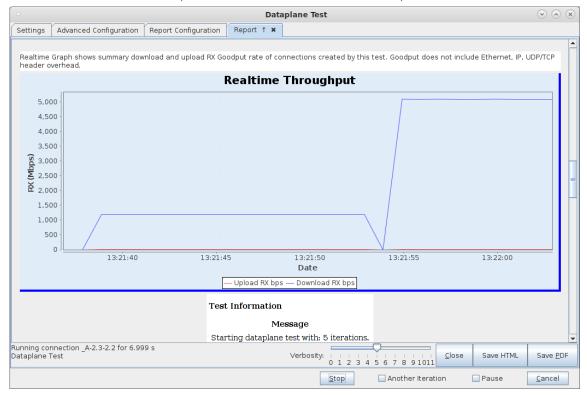
B. Select the **Dataplane** test and click **Run Test**. You should see the Dataplane Test configuration window pop up. It will remember the last configuration for most fields. Select the two 10G ports and the combinations of traffic types and packet sizes you wish to send:



C. You can select some details about how the report is generated on the 'Report Configuration' screen. In this case Low Level statistics is selected so that the on-wire (including IP, UDP, and Ethernet header) is reported:



D. When the configuration is complete, click the **Start** button (which will change to 'Stop' once start is clicked) to start the test. An interactive report window will be created and will be updated as the test runs.

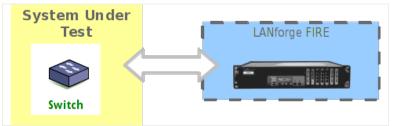


E. When the test is complete, click the **Save HTML** button to save an HTML report and generate the PDF. The PDF file will be linked from the HTML page. You can also click 'Save PDF' and the browser will be directed to open the pdf file directly. Please see this example 10G Dataplane Report.

# **Generating Traffic to a Switched Network**

### Goal: Set up and run traffic on a flat network.

In this test scenario, LANforge-FIRE is used to generate traffic between two ports on the same subnet (switch) in order to test throughput.

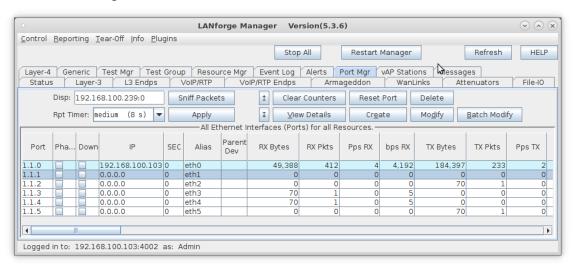




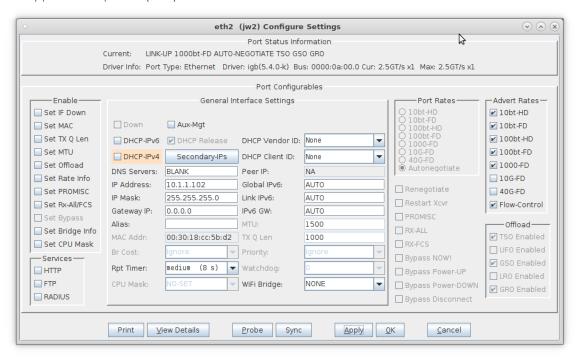
- 1. Connect two available data generating ports of your LANforge server to the DUT. In this example, the DUT is a switch.
- 2. Set up the LANforge ports so that they have valid IP addresses. This example uses static IP addresses, but you

can also use DHCP if your network supports that.

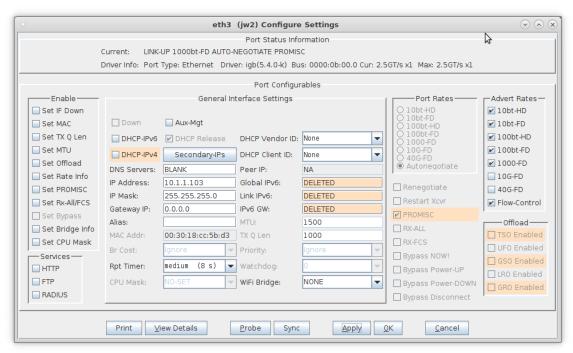
A. Go to the Port Manager



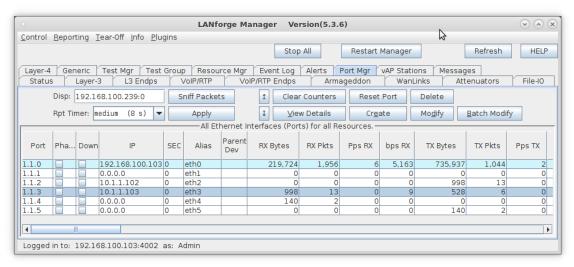
B. Modify port for Endpoint A (eth2)



C. Modify port for Endpoint B (eth3)



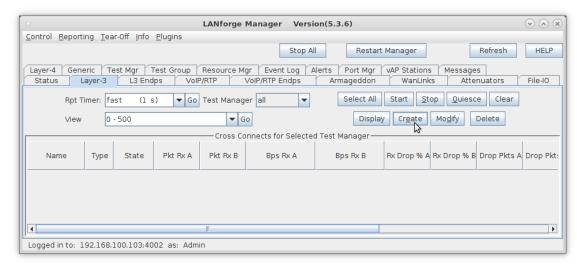
D. Verify the port configuration



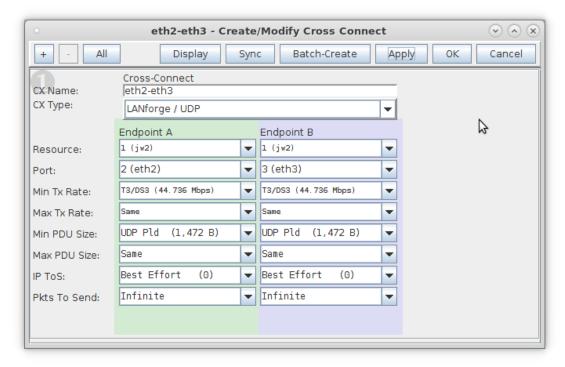
For more information see LANforge User's Guide: Ports (Interfaces)

3. Create a Layer-3 connection using the two configured ports.

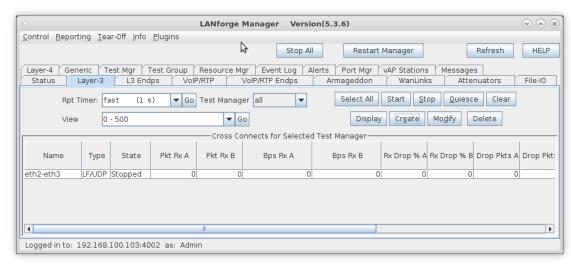
#### A. Go to the Layer-3 tab



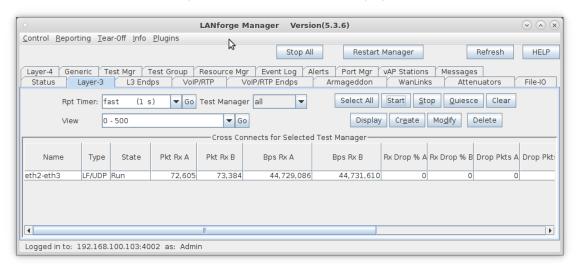
B. Create a new Cross-Connect



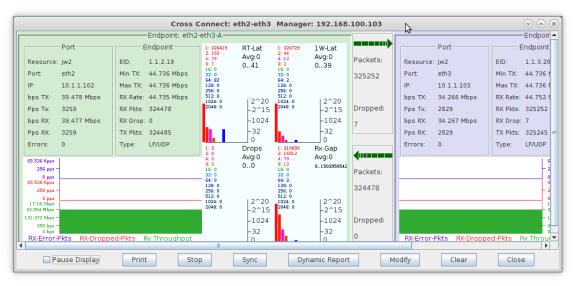
C. Verify the new Cross-Connect



- 4. Run traffic and observe results.
  - A. Select the cross-connect on the Layer-3 tab, click Start and then Display



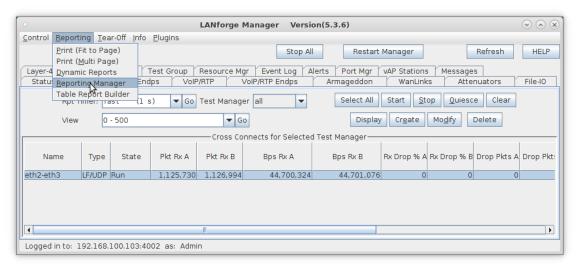
B. View the Layer-3 cross-connect display



For more information see LANforge User's Guide: Layer-3 Cross-Connect Display

5. In this case, the overall throughput of the DUT is approximately 76Mbps. The Report Manager can also be used to record the throughput over time.

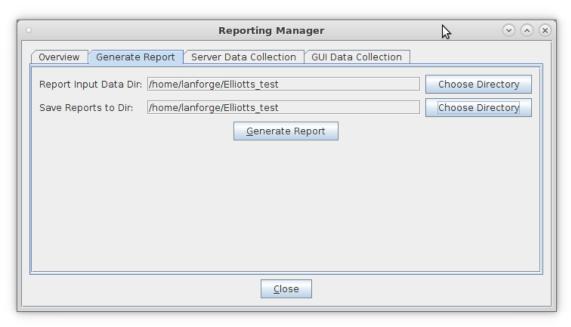
A. Select Reporting Manager from the Reporting pull-down menu



B. Record test data by following these steps:

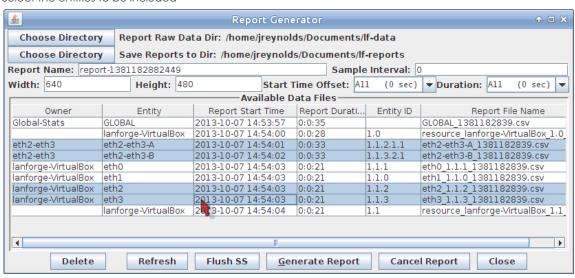


- A. Select the GUI Data Collection tab.
- B. Choose a directory to save raw (.csv) data.
- C. Click **Save** to start the data collection.
- D. After desired test duration, click Stop.
- E. **NOTE**: Your report will look cleaner if you stop traffic about 2 minutes before you stop saving data.
- C. In the Generate Report tab, choose a directory to save the HTML report. **NOTE:** Make sure your directory name does not include any special charicters such as apostrophes.

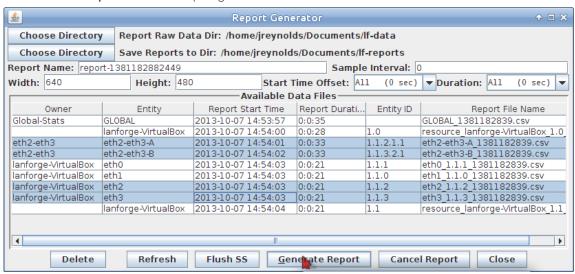


A. Click Generate Report.

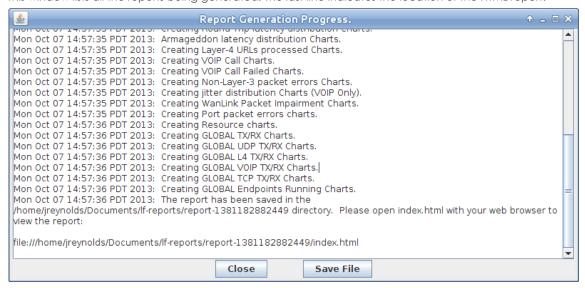
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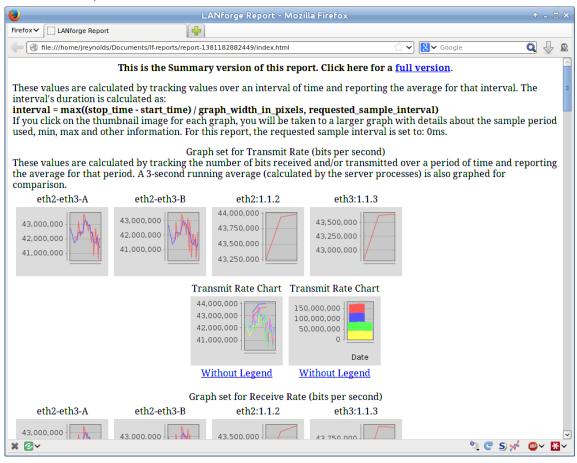
E. Click **Generate Report** to start the report generation



F. This window lists all the reports being generated. The last line indicates the location of the HTML report.



G. View the HTML report

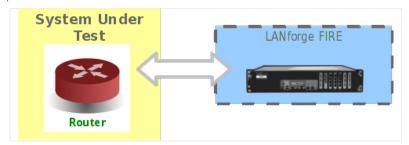


For more information see LANforge User's Guide: Reporting

# **Generating Traffic to a Routed Network**

### Goal: Set up and run traffic on a routed network.

In this test scenario, LANforge-FIRE is used to generate traffic to a basic router in order to test throughput.

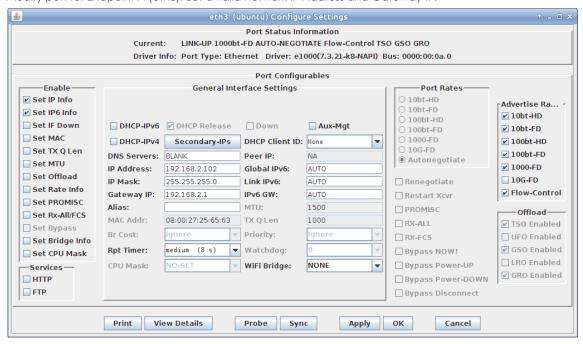




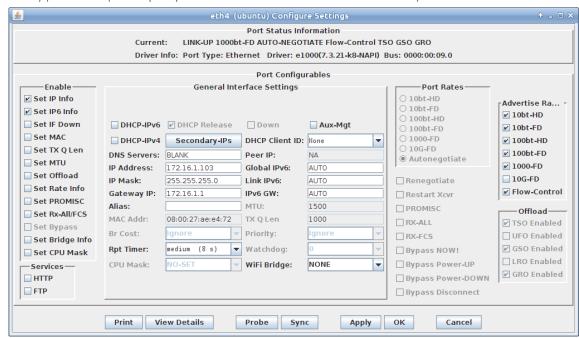
- 1. Connect one LANforge-FIRE port to the router's LAN port.
- 2. Connect another LANforge-FIRE port to the router's WAN port.
- 3. Set up the LANforge ports so that they have valid IP addresses. You can also use DHCP if the DUT supports it.
  - A. Go to the Port Manager



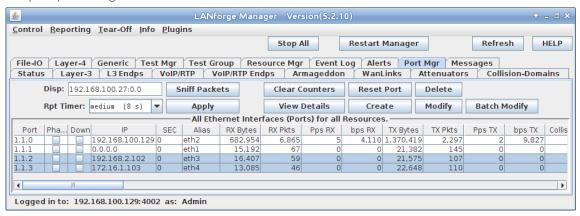
B. Modify port for Endpoint A (eth3). Set a valid network IP Address and Gateway IP.



C. Modify port for Endpoint B (eth4). Set a valid network IP Address and Gateway IP.

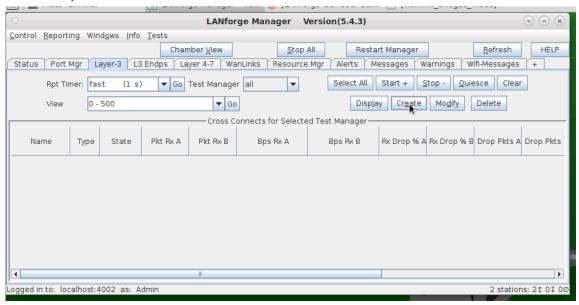


D. Verify the port configuration

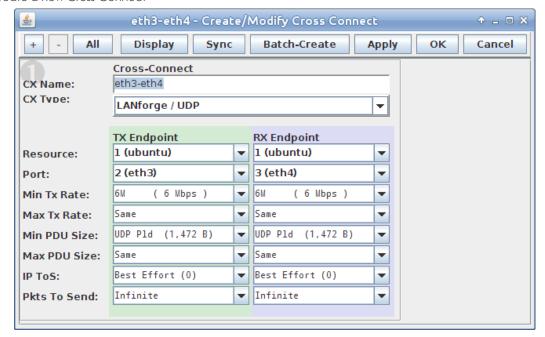


For more information see LANforge User's Guide: Ports(Interfaces)

- 4. Create a Layer-3 connection using the two configured ports.
  - A. Go to the Layer-3 tab



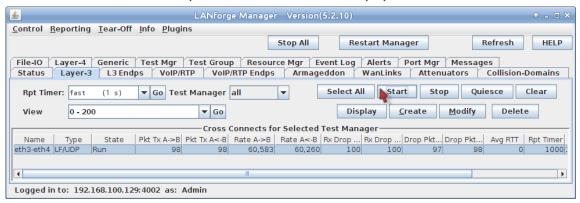
B. Create a new Cross-Connect



C. Verify the new Cross-Connect

For more information see LANforge User's Guid: Layer-3 Cross-Connects (FIRE)

- 5. Run traffic and determine router throughput.
  - A. Select the cross-connect on the Layer-3 tab, click Start and then Display

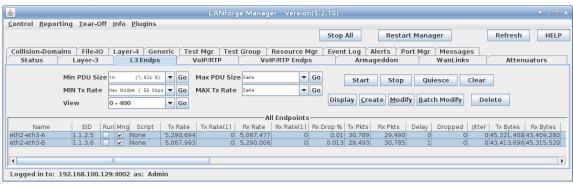


B. View the Layer-3 cross-connect display

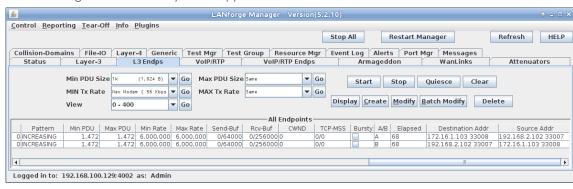


For more information see LANforge User's Guid: Layer-3 Cross-Connect Display

- 6. For this example, a low performance router was used to illustrate poor throughput, variable latency, and dropped packets.
  - A. Go to the L3 Endps tab



B. Scroll to the right to view Latency and Dropped Packets



For more information see LANforge User's Guid: Layer-3 Endpoints (FIRE)

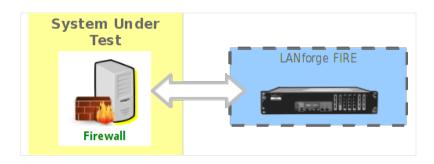
## **Generating Traffic to a Firewall**

### Goal: Set up and run traffic to test a firewall.

In this test scenario, LANforge-FIRE is used to generate traffic to a firewall DUT in order to measure the following benchmarks:

- UDP Throughput Maximum payload bits per second with a UDP traffic flow.
- TCP Throughput Maximum payload bits per second with a TCP traffic flow.
- **TCP Concurrent Connections** Maximum number of simultaneous TCP connections.
- TCP Connections per Second Maximum number of established TCP connections per second.

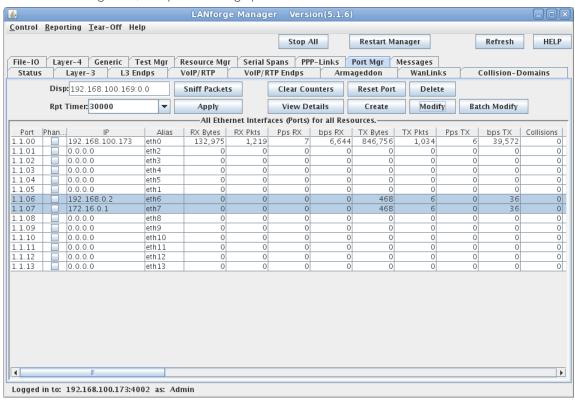
**NOTE**: If you are attempting to run this test scenario, you will need a LANforge license key that enables the correct number of ports and multi-connections. Please contact us at <a href="mailto:support@candelatech.com">support@candelatech.com</a> for assistance.



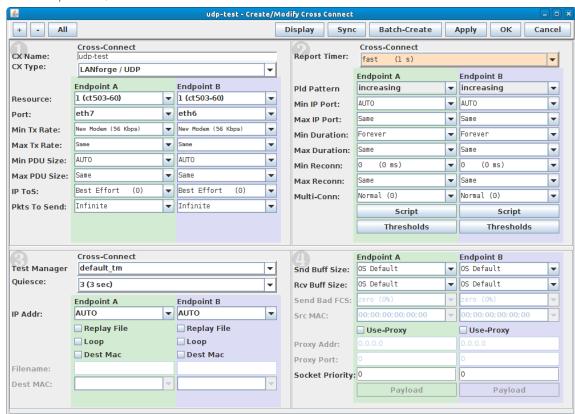


1. The **UDP Throughput** test will use a scripted Layer-3 connection to vary the rate and payload size to determine the bi-directional UDP throughput of the DUT across the scripted parameters.

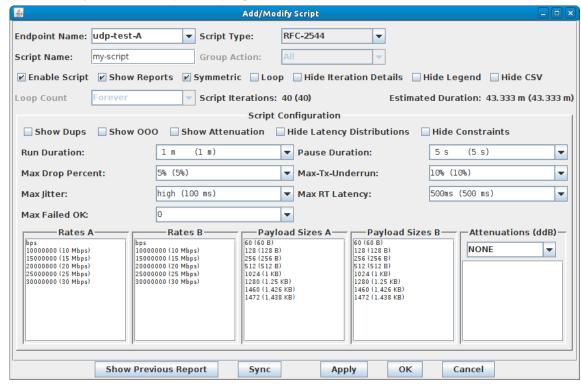
A. On the Port Manager tab, set up the LANforge ports with valid IP addresses.



B. On the Layer-3 tab, create a UDP connection.



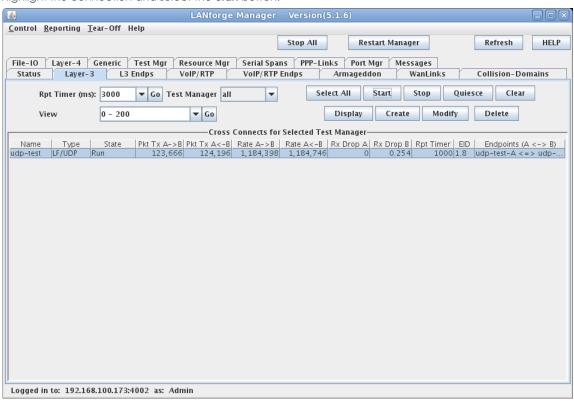
- A. Set Endpoint A to use the DUT WAN port.
- B. Set Endpoint B to use the DUT LAN port.
- C. Make sure CX Type is LANforge / UDP then select Apply.
- C. Select the **Script** button to set up the scripting parameters.



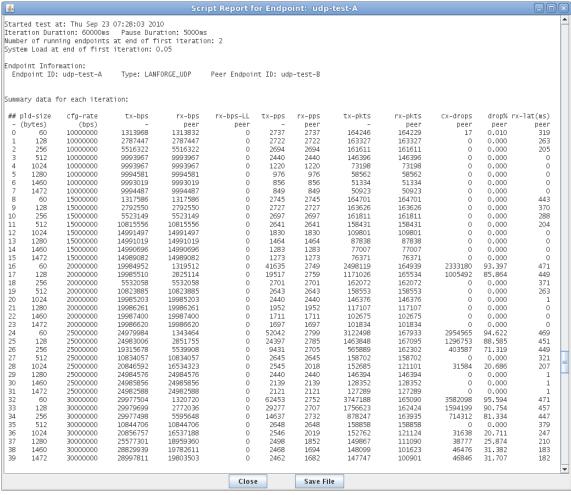
- A. Set up the script to iterate over the rates.
- B. Specify the payload sizes to be tested.

For more information see LANforge FIRE Cookbook example: Scripted Layer-3 Test

D. Highlight the connection and select the **Start** button.

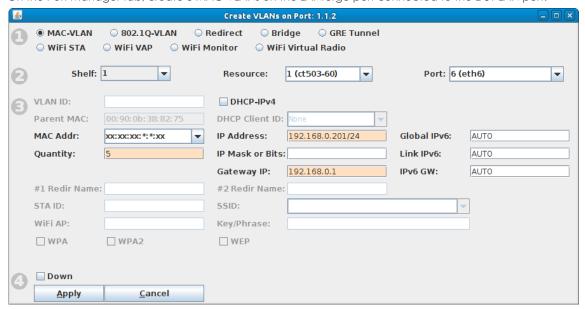


E. The final test report shows the results of the test run. Here we can see that the DUT has the best bi-directional throughput with 1460Byte payloads at 24.9Mbps.

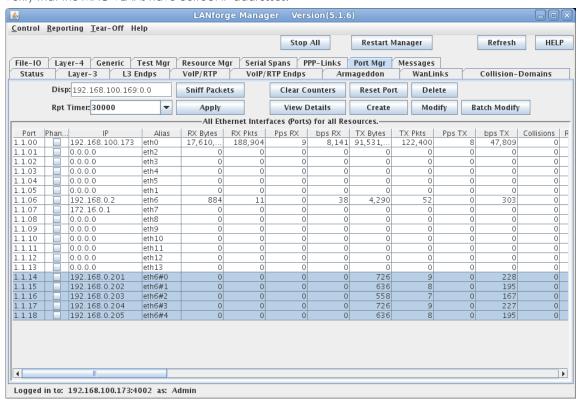


For more information see Full script report for the UDP test.

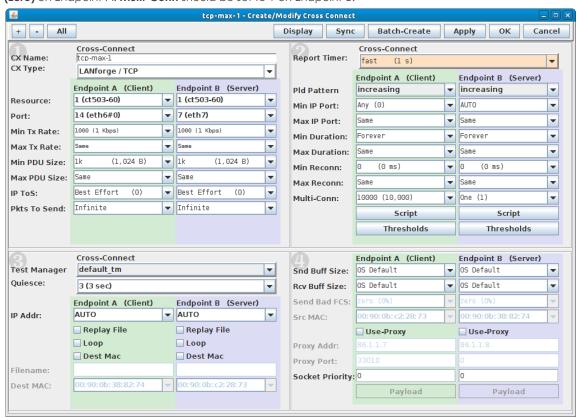
- 2. The **TCP Concurrent Connections** test will measure the maximum number of simultaneous TCP connections that the DUT can maintain at once.
  - A. On the Port Manager tab, create 5 MAC-VLANs on the LANforge port connected to the DUT LAN port.



B. Verify that the MAC-VLANs have correct IP addresses.

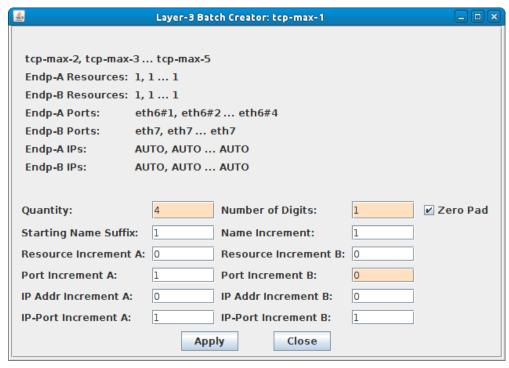


C. Create a Layer-3 connection that has a low-speed rate with **Multi-Conn** set to 10000 and **Min IP Port** to **0** (zero) on Endpoint-A. **Multi-Conn** should be set to 1 on Endpoint-B.

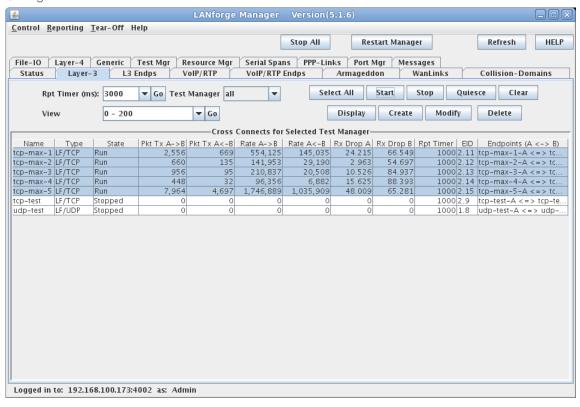


- A. Endpoint-A will be one of the MAC-VLANs and Endpoint-B will be the port connected to the DUT WAN port. This setup will initiate the TCP sessions from the LAN side of the DUT.
- B. Low-speed depends on the DUT, we could also set the rate to zero which would allow the TCP connections to be set up without payload data to be transmitted, but this would not give an accurate picture of the firewall performance. Here we are using 1Kbps connections with 1KB size payload.
- C. This is an iterative test, the number of TCP connections to use will depend on the DUT capabilities. Modify the number of connections as necessary to find the most accurate measurement.
- D. The DUT should be power-cycled to reset it before each test run.

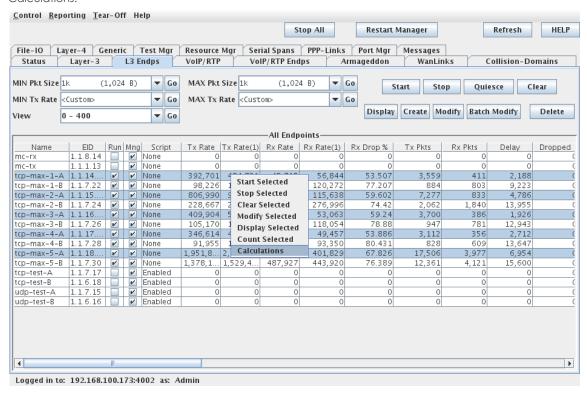
D. Select the Batch-Create button to create 4 more copies of this connection each with a new MAC-VLAN port.



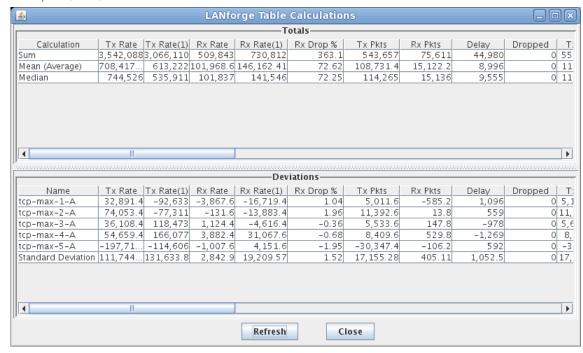
E. Highlight and start each set of 10000 connections until the target max simultaneous connections are running.



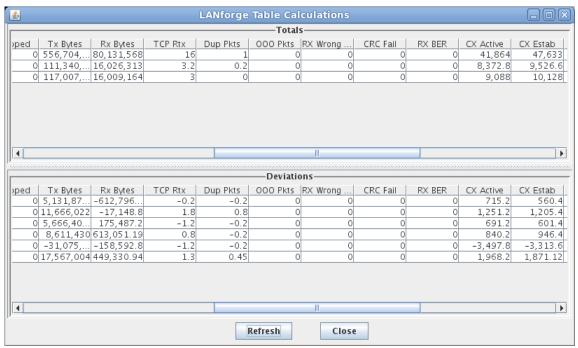
F. On the Layer-3 Endpoints tab, highlight the Running A-Side Endpoints, then right-click and select Calculations.



G. The top line, Sum, is what we are interested in for Maximum Concurrent TCP Connections.

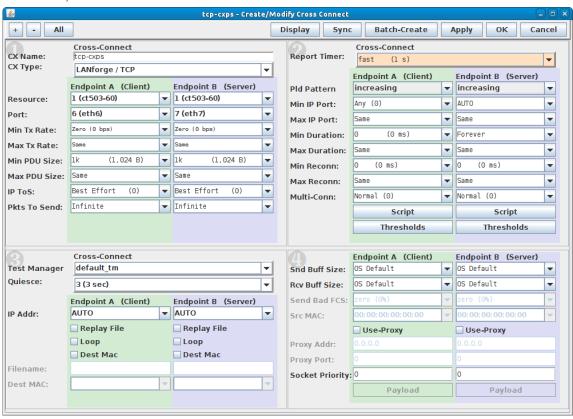


H. Scroll right to the CX Active and CX Established columns and select the **Refresh** button. This DUT can maintain a maximum of 41,864 simultaneous TCP connections.

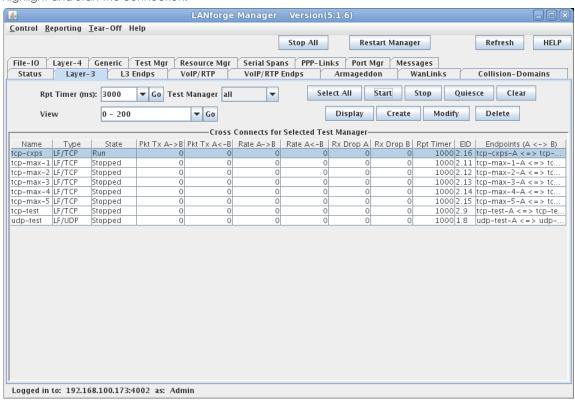


- A. **CX Active** is the metric we are attempting to measure for Maximum Simultaneous TCP Connections. It will fluctuate with the DUT's ability to maintain the number of active TCP connections.
- B. **CX Established** is the number of TCP connections LANforge has established since the start of the test. It will continue to increase as the DUT closes the TCP connections it cannot maintain.

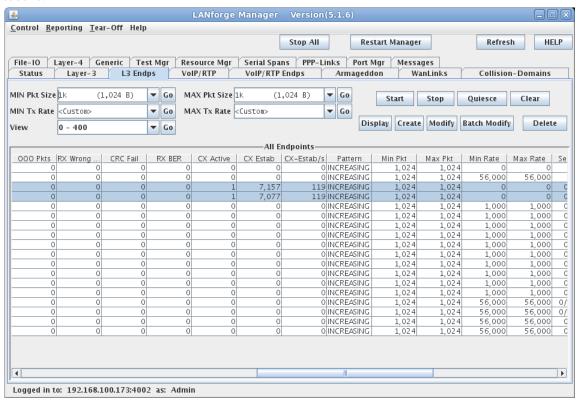
- 3. The **TCP Connections per Second** test will measure the rate of TCP connections that can be set up through the DUT.
  - A. Create a Layer-3 TCP connection with the Duration and IP Port set to zero.



B. Highlight and Start the connection.



C. View the CX-Estab/s rate on the Layer-3 Endpoints tab. This DUT can set up about 120 connections per second.



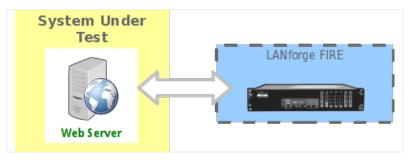
For more information see LANforge GUI User's Guide

# **Generating Traffic to a Web Server**

### Goal: Set up and run traffic to a web server.

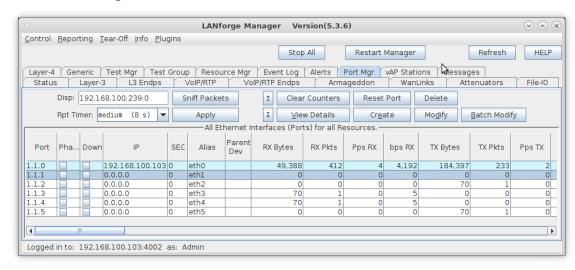
In this test scenario, LANforge-FIRE is used to generate traffic in the form of URL requests in order to determine the maximum number of URLs/second the web server can process.

Please note that the web server used in this example is an isolated Linux system running Apache.

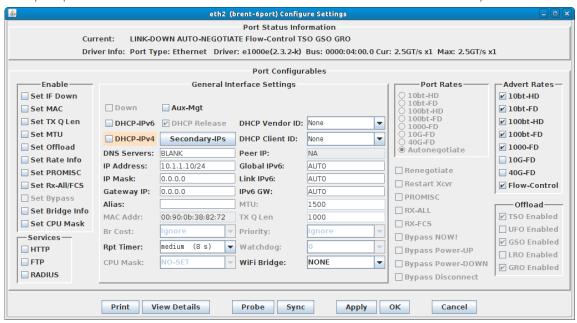




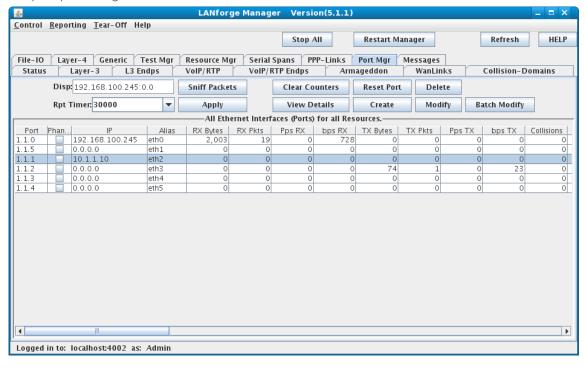
- 1. Connect one LANforge-FIRE port to the web server's network.
- 2. Set up the LANforge port so that it has a valid IP address.



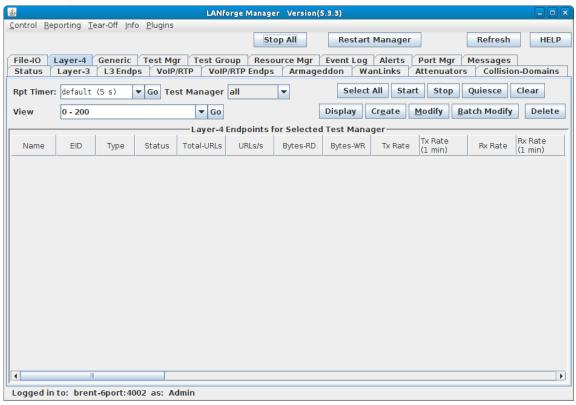
B. Modify the port connected to the web server. Set a valid network IP address and Gateway IP.



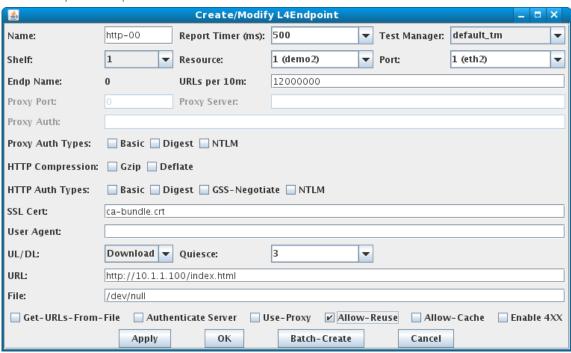
C. Verify the port configuration



- 3. Set up the URL requests.
  - A. Go to the Layer 4-7 tab



B. Create a Layer 4-7 Endpoint:

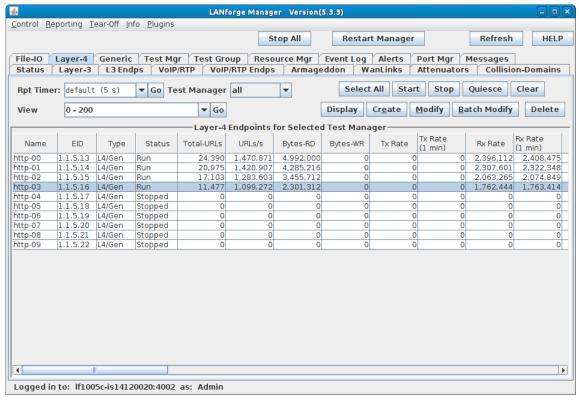


- A. Enter a name and select the port configured in the previous step
- B. URLs per 10m should be set to around 1,200,000 which is 2,000 URLs/second
- C. Leave the SSL Cert alone as we are not using it in this example
- D. UL/DL should be set to Download
- E. URL should be set to the web server's IP address and file that you wish to download. In this example, index.html is a small test file.
- F. File is the designated location that the downloaded file will be stored. In this example, we use /dev/null which will essentially throw the file away so that it does not slow down the LANforge system with writing files.
- G. Select the 'Allow-Reuse' checkbox to maximize the number of URL requests LANforge can make per connection
- H. Click **Apply** or **OK** to create the Layer 4-7 endpoint
- C. Create 9 more Layer 4-7 endpoints by opening the previously created endpoint and clicking Batch-Create

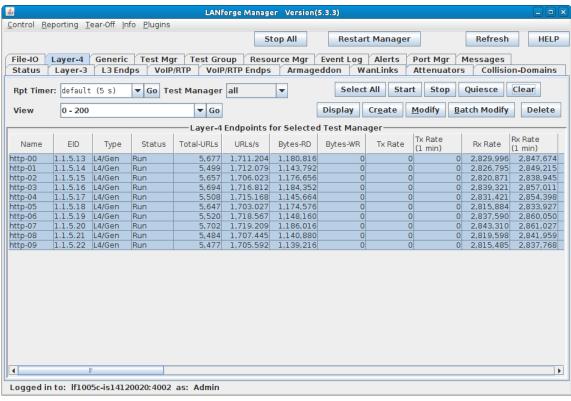


- A. Set the **Quantity** to 9, **Number of Digits** to 2, and **Port Increment A** to 0. Then click **Apply**.
- B. Each of the 10 Layer 4-7 Endpoints will attempt to generate 2000 URLs/second, effectively generating 20,000 URLs/second

- 4. Run traffic and determine web server performance.
  - A. On the Layer 4-7 tab, select one Layer 4-7 endpoint, click Start, then repeat for all 10 Layer 4-7 endpoints:



- A. As each endpoint is started, the rate of URLs/second will start to converge on a rate that the web server is capable of providing. Finding the final web server performance rate is a matter of adding up the rates of all running Layer 4-7 endpoints.
- B. Several Layer 4-7 endpoints (10 in this case) are used so each endpoint can make an independently large number of URL requests without having to wait for too many replies. Each URL request is waiting for a reply from the web server, so if only one Layer 4-7 endpoint was making requests, it would spend too much time waiting for replies instead of generating more requests. Spreading the URL requests over several endpoints allows each LANforge connection to the web server to maximize its rate of URL requests.
- B. Layer 4-7 Endpoint Results:



A. After starting all 10 endpoints, and letting them run for at least 1 minute, the overall URLs/second rate converges to around 17,000 URLs/second.

# **Introduction to Layer 4-7 Traffic Generation**

### Goal: Use LANforge to emulate layer 4-7 download traffic

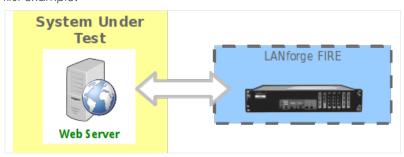
Creating web browsing and movie watching emulation is a common task with LANforge. This cookbook will introduce HTTP download examples and describe the difference between the *Layer 4-7* and *Generic* traffic generation techniques. We will begin on a CT520a with 20 stations. There are two methods of emulating web browsing:

- 1. Layer 4-7 connections: these are workers doing downloads using curl
- 2. **Generic connections**: these are scripts called programs that can download or upload. Not just any program can be used, these programs need to be able to bind to a specified network interface.

#### If you want to:

- ...load test a web server, you will use mostly use Layer 4-7 connections.
- ...**multiple video streams**, you would use **Generic** connections that call **c-clive**
- ...Upload files, you would use Generic connections that call curl

The following examples do not assume your LANforge has a route to the Internet, but are pointing at a webserver IP address. We are going to show making a common mistake in the first example.

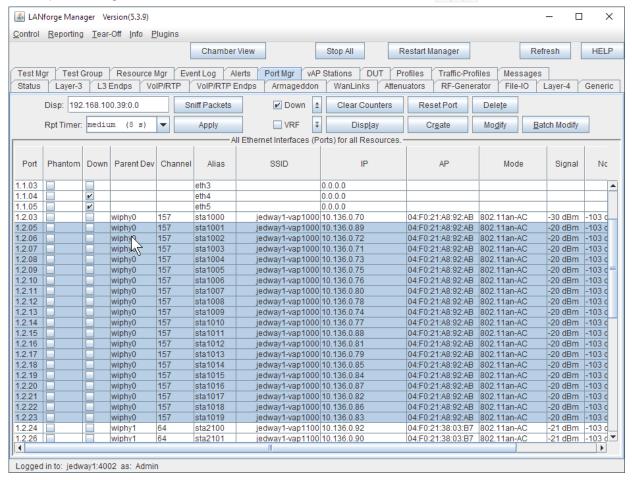




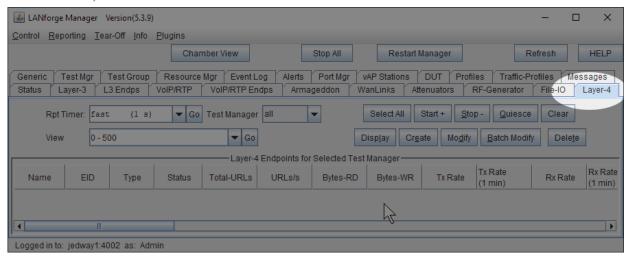
#### 1.

# **Simple HTTP Get**

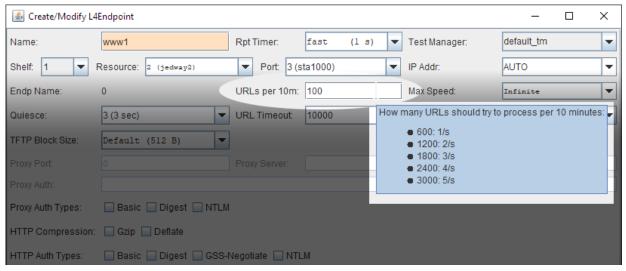
2. Check your *Port Martab* and note we have 20 stations on resource 2, radio wiphy0.



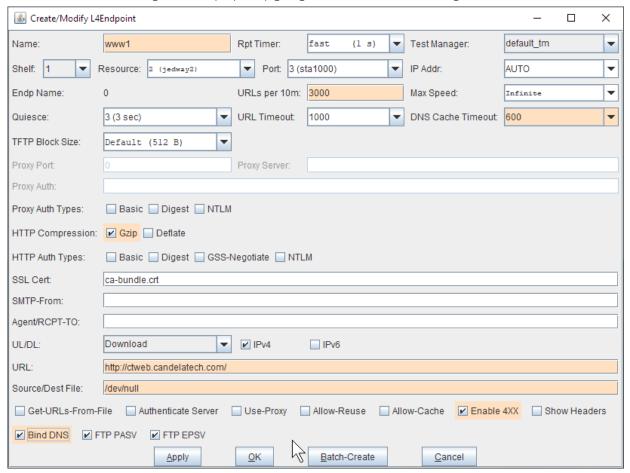
3. Move to the Layer 4-7 tab



4. Create a new connection, this example is named www1. on resource 2, WiFi station sta1000 Next, consider the URLs per 10 minute field.

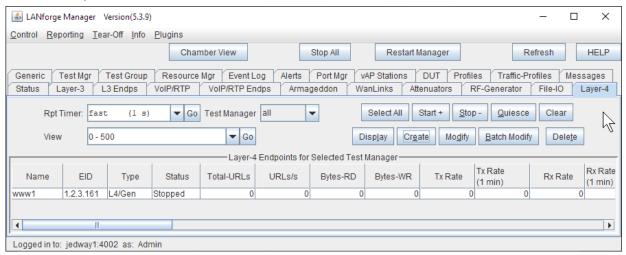


- A. Hover your mouse over the *URLs per 10 min* field to see the tool tip. If you wanted to create *five* connections per second, that would be **3000** connections in 10 minutes. This differs from the *Max Speed* field, which sets the maximum bit per second for the connection.
- 5. Continue with other settings. We are purposely going to make an error and diagnose it.

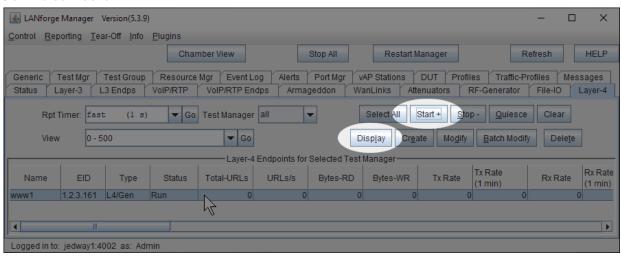


- A. Set the request rate, choose the number of URLs per 10 min to 3000
- B. DNS Cache Timeout: 600
- C. Select Gzip
- D. Set *URL* to http://10.136.0.1/
- E. Set *Destination file or directory* to /dev/null if you are on Linux. (If you are on Windows, you need to use NUL)
- F. Select **Enable 4XX** to show errors in logs

- G. Select Bind DNS so that hostnames are resolved over sta1000 (not over our management port)
- H. Click Apply. Do not close this window.
- 6. Back in the Layer 4-7tab, select the connection

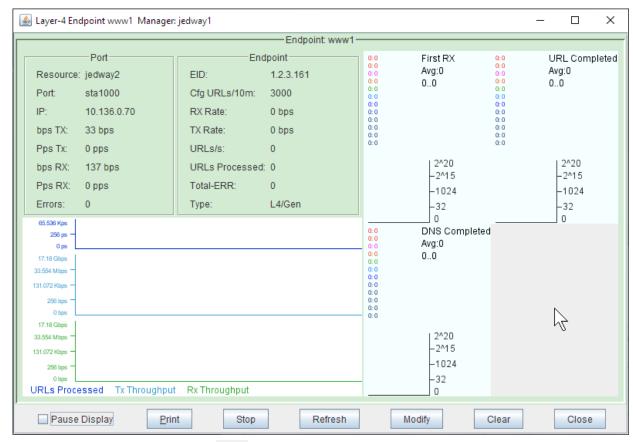


7. Start the connection

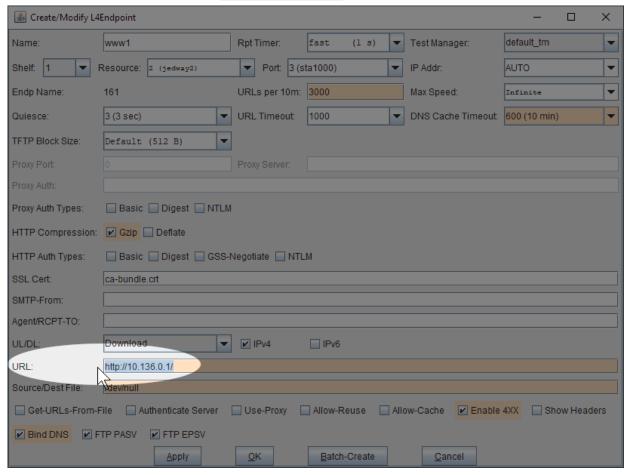


A. ... then click **Display** 

8. Watch the www1 endpoint window...



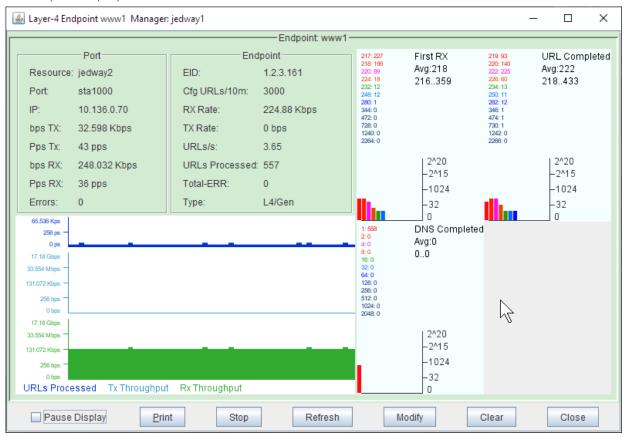
- A. Notice how there is no traffic to ctweb: because the hostname will not resolve over our test network. This is a common mistake. Let's use the IP of our other LANforge hosting our test network instead.
- 9. Change the URL to use an IP address: http://10.136.0.1/



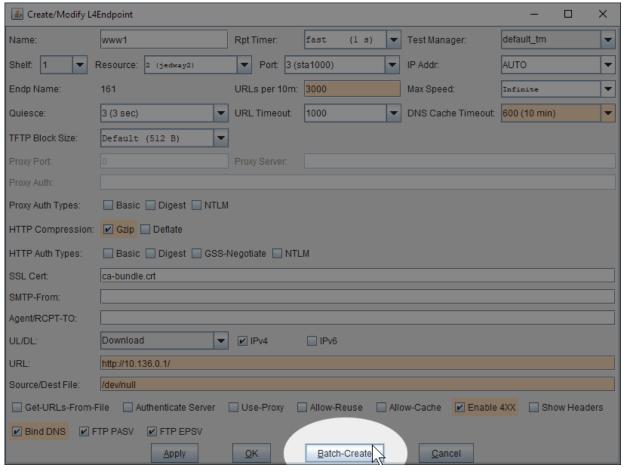
A. Click Apply

B. Do not close the window.

10. The endpoint display now shows traffic.

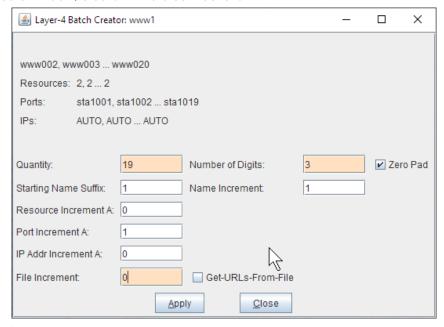


- A. Not having DNS resolution is a common problem in test networks.
- B. It can cause problems when connecting to a https website and getting certificate errors.
- C. Click Close
- 11. It is pretty simple to create a connection per WiFi station on our LANforge. Return to our **Create/Modify L4Endpoint** window for www1

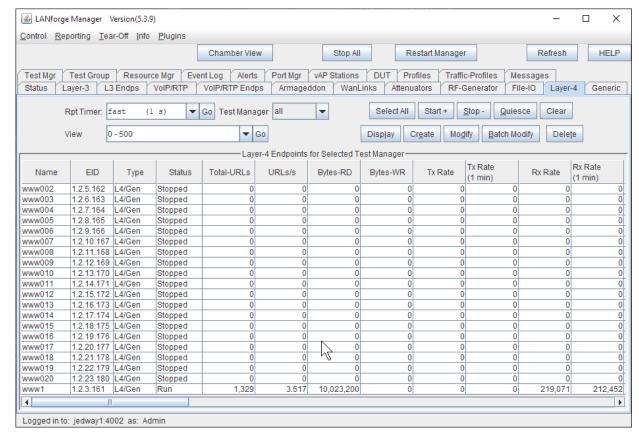


A. Click Batch-Create

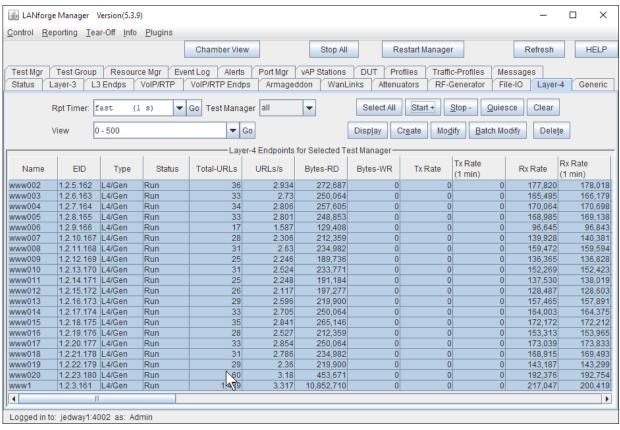
12. In the Batch Create window, create 19 more connections



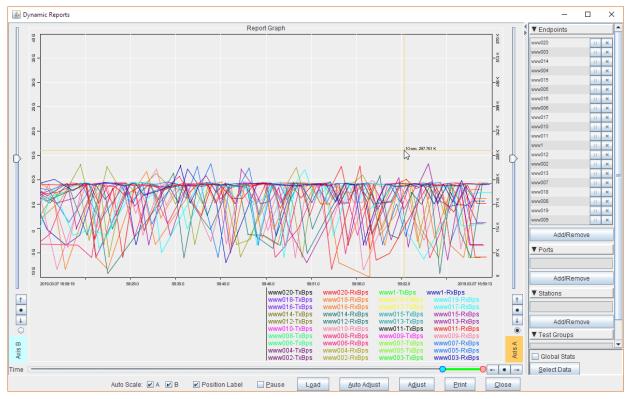
- A. Quantity: 19
- B. Number of Digits \*\*3\*\*
- C. File Increment: \*\*0\*\* (because we don't have multiple /dev/null files)
- D. Click Apply
- 13. Back in the Layer 4-7tab, observe all our connections



14. Hightlight them, and click Start



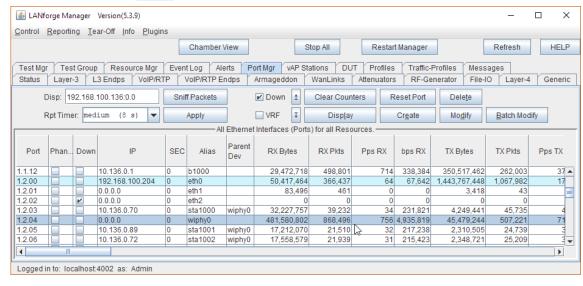
- 15. Note that if we were to Right Click Display to show dynamic report
- 16. Right Click → Dynamic Report to show dynamic report



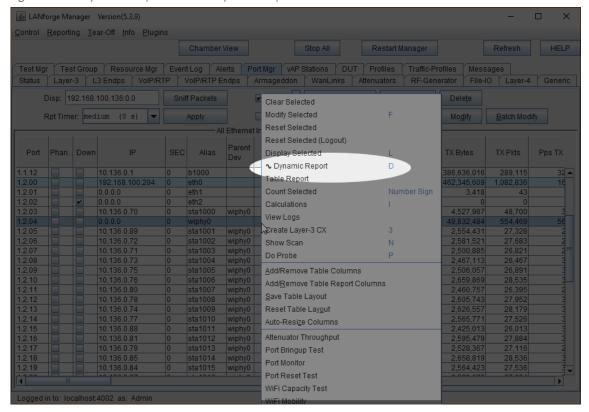
- A. This shows throughput for all the connections.
- B. Notice how crowded this graph is. There is a simpler way to display overall throughput.

### 17. Next, select the Port Mgrtab.

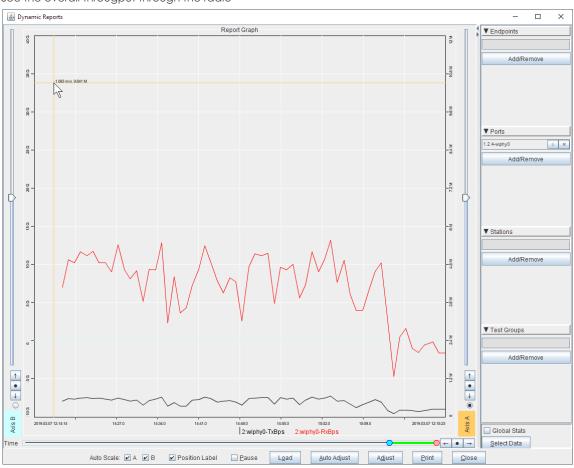
A. Select resource 2, radio wiphy0



B. Right Click → Dynamic Report to show dynamic report



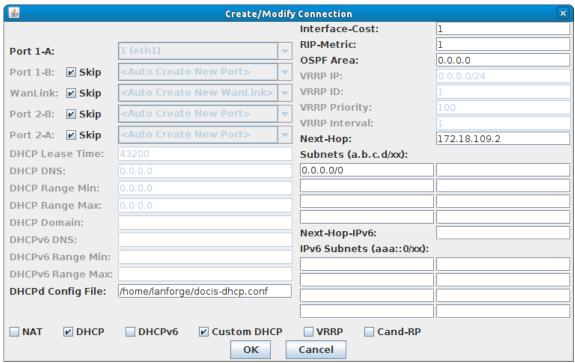
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### Goal: Use LANforge to test CMTS and cable-modem network (DUT).

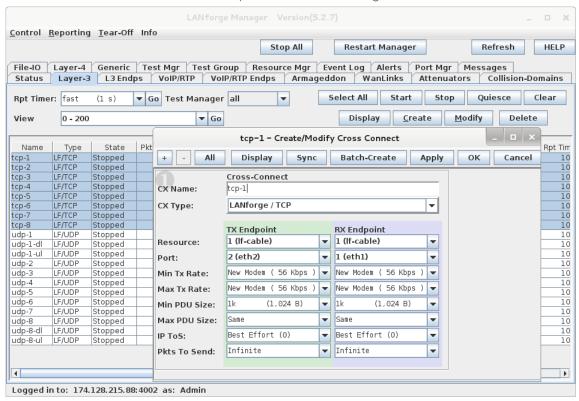
LANforge will serve DHCP and TFTP to the DUT, generate TCP traffic to measure upload and download speeds on each modem, and generate reports. In this example, eth0 is the management port, eth1 is the upstream network port (connects to CMTS), and ports eth2-eth9 are connected to cable modems. Eth2-9 are configured for DHCP, and eth1 is configured with static IP. Eth1 is also configured to serve DHCP requests to the cable modems and other LANforge ports.

- 1. Set up the network interfaces.
- 2. Configure eth1 to serve DHCP and TFTP.
  - A. Go to Status panel in LANforge GUI. Click 'Netsmith' button on the resource.
  - B. Right-click in empty space and select New Router. Use default values and click OK.
  - C. Drag eth1 into the virtual router. Then double-click the virtual eth1 icon to configure DHCP. DHCP files for CMTS setups must be hand-written by the user. Configure LANforge to use this custom-dhcp config file.

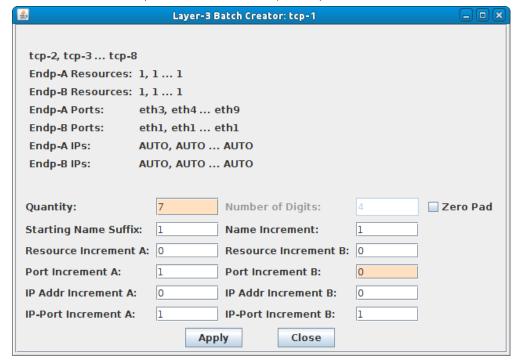


- D. When Netsmith setup is complete, click Apply on the main Netsmith window to start up the DHCP service, etc. This screenshot was taken after the Layer-3 connections were set up.
- 3. Configure eth2-9 to use DHCP.
  - A. Go to Port-Mgr tab, double-click each port, and make sure the DHCP option is selected. Apply changes.
- 4. Set up Layer-3 connections to generate the throughput tests.

A. Go to the Layer-3 tab, and click Create. Many cable modems are configured to do NAT and/or some firewalling, so normally you will need the connections to be TCP and to originate out from the client-side port. So, choose the LANforge/TCP connection type, and make the 'B' side eth1. Everything else can stay at the default values because we will use a script to automate the settings.

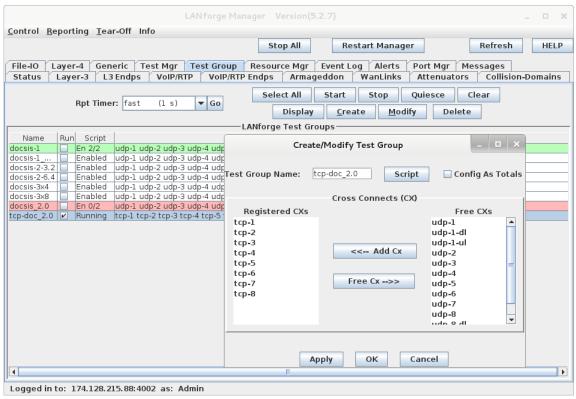


- B. Create 7 similar connections, always with B side port of eth1, and use A side ports eth2-eth9. In the Create/Modify window you can just change the name, change the port, and press apply. This will make copies of the connections.
  - A. You can also use Batch-Create (located in the Create/Modify window) to create these connections.



- B. Set Quantity to 7, Port Increment B to 0, and deselect Zero Pad.
- C. Click Apply.
- 5. Create Test-Group to control the 8 Layer-3 TCP connections.

A. Go to the Test Group tab, and click Create. Give your test group a name. Select the 8 Layer-3 TCP connections you just created in the previous step and add those to the Test Group. Click Apply and make sure the new group shows up in the Test Group table.

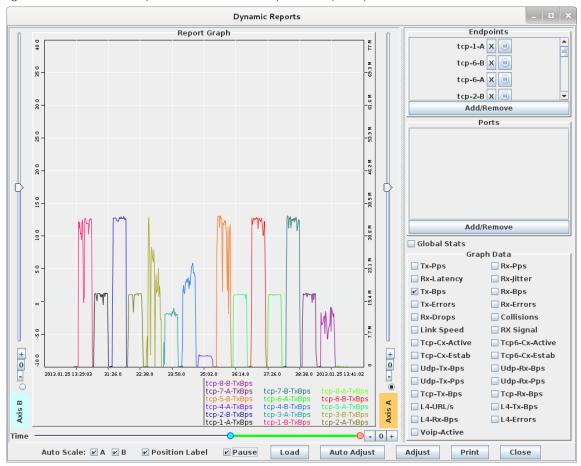


B. We need to add a script to automate the test. Click the Script button in the Test Group create/modify window. Choose RFC 2544 script type. In this scenario, we want to test each modem one at a time, so we select the Sequential option for Group Action. The rates sections determine the speeds for each iteration. In this case, the first iteration will send from B to A at 35Mbps. This is the download test. The next iteration will upload from A to B at 17Mbps. When the two iterations are complete, the script will repeat on the next Layer-3 connection.

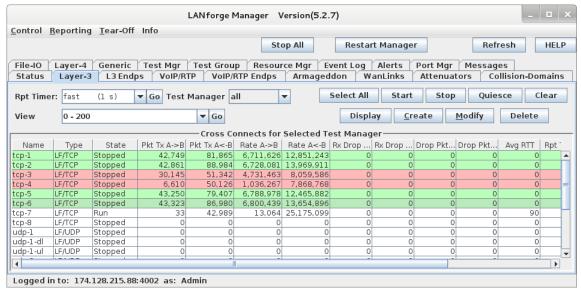
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#### 6. Run the test.

A. To start the test, select the Test Group in the table and click the Start button. You should see a script-report window pop up, and the state should go to running. To see a live report of throughput and other values, right-click on the Test Group table and select the Dynamic Report option.



B. View the individual connections from the Layer-3 tab.



7. Gather reports.

A. When the script completes, a summary of each iteration will be shown in the Script Report window. The text may be converted to HTML, but for this particular script, the graphs are not useful because we are using Sequential mode, so just saving the text to a file or printing it is probably the best option. Note that some of these tests failed the constraints configured in the script. In this case, it is because those modems were not capable of the requested speeds.

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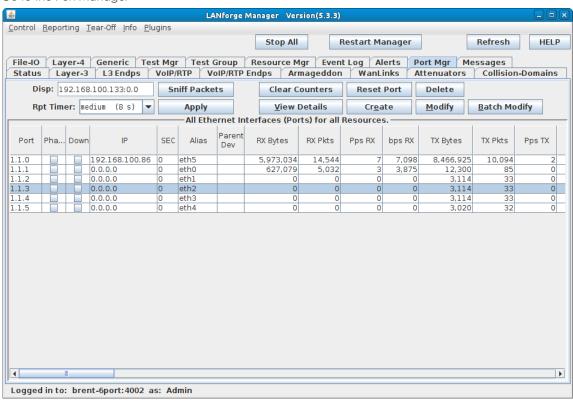
- B. When the script completes, you could also pause the dynamic report and print it. For an electronic copy, use a PDF printer to create PDF files instead of printing to paper.
- C. The Layer-3 tab will color-code the 8 connections, with red meaning fail, and green meaning pass. You can print the connections you are interested in by selecting them in the table and using right-click → Table Report. This report can be printed or otherwise saved.



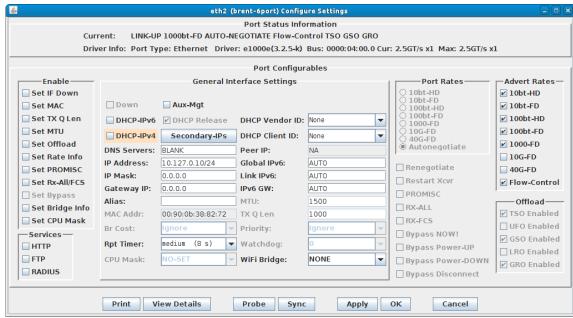
### Goal: Set up and run traffic to a DSLAM system as shown in the CT570 product description.

Please refer to the diagram in the CT570 link above. In this test scenario, the LANforge-FIRE Core is one interface on a LANforge system. The LANforge-FIRE Edge is another interface on the same LANforge system. The LF Core interface is connected to the upstream DSLAM interface either directly or through a switch. The CPEs are connected to a multi-port VLAN switch which has a VLAN trunk that is connected to the LF Edge. Traffic is sent between the LF Core and the LF Edge to achieve end-to-end network traffic testing of the DSLAM system.

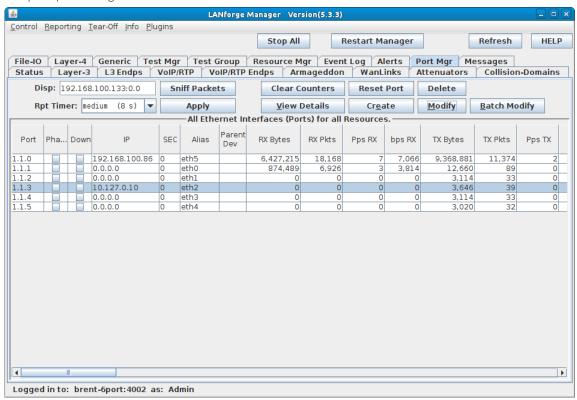
- 1. Connect one LANforge-FIRE interface to the DSLAM upstream internet connection. This is the LF Core part of the diagram mentioned above.
- 2. Set up the LANforge port so that it has a valid IP address and IP mask.
  - A. Go to the Port Manager



B. Modify the port connected to the DSLAM. Set a valid network IP address and IP mask.

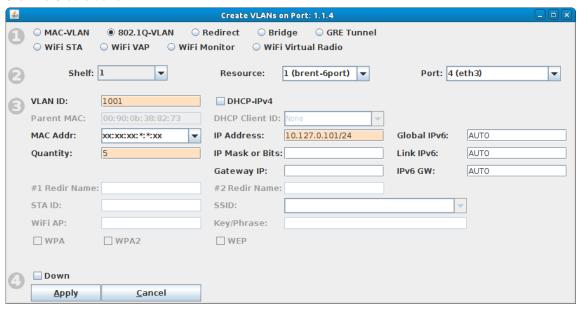


C. Verify the port configuration

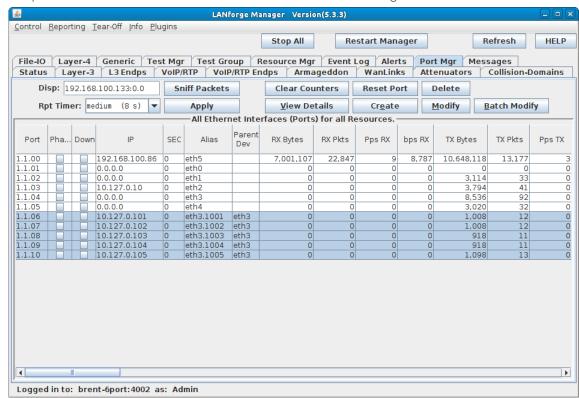


For more information see LANforge User's Guide: Ports (Interfaces)

- 3. Set up virtual interfaces.
  - A. On the **Port Mgr** tab, select the port that will connect to the multi-port switch and will also be your VLAN trunk. This is the LF Edge part of the diagram.
  - B. Click the Create button:



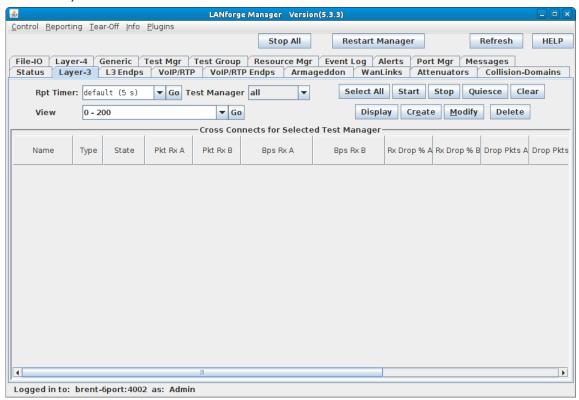
- A. Select the 802.1Q-VLAN virtual interface type
- B. The VLAN ID should correspond to your multi-port switch VLAN configuration
- C. Enter Quantity (number of virtual interfaces to be created)
- D. Enter the appropriate IP address and IP mask
- E. Click **Apply** to create the virtual interfaces
- C. Verify that the virtual interfaces are created and have the correct IP assignments



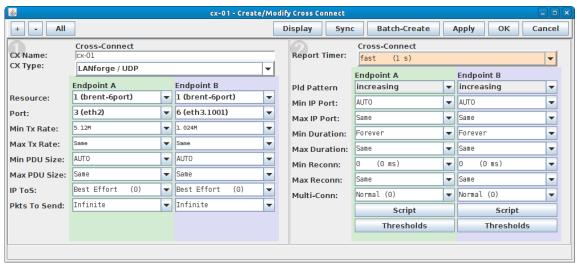
For more information see LANforge User's Guide: Creating & Deleting Virtual Interfaces

4. Create Layer-3 connections.

#### A. Go to the Layer-3 tab

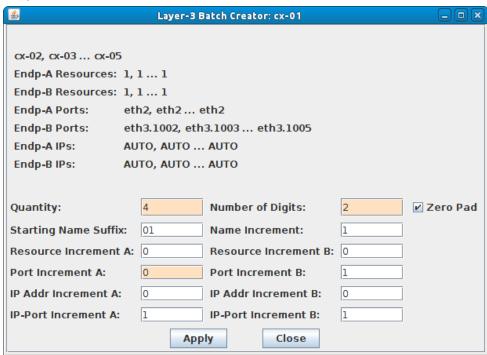


B. Click the Create button



- A. Fill in a connection name, select a connection type and set the report timer
- B. Make endpoint A the DSLAM upstream port or LF Core
- C. Make endpoint B the CPE downstream port or LF Edge
- D. You can make the TX/RX rates asymmetric for the connection to simulate how the connection would be used in a real-world scenario. Here we have about 5Mbps downstream (DSLAM to CPE) and 1Mbps upstream (CPE to DSLAM).
- E. Click **Apply** to create the connection

C. Create multiple connections

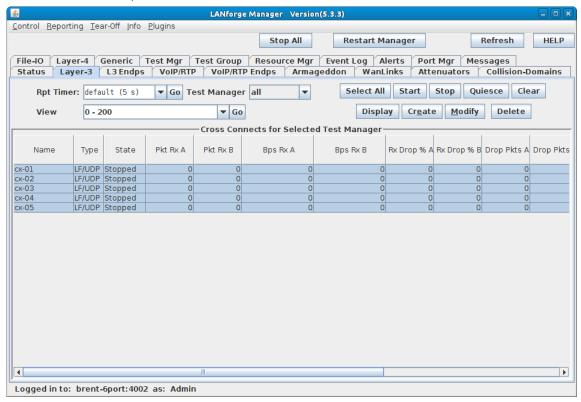


- A. Click **Batch-Create** (located in the Layer-3 connection's Create/Modify window) to create four additional connections.
- B. Set Quantity to 4, Port Increment A to 0.
- C. Click Apply.

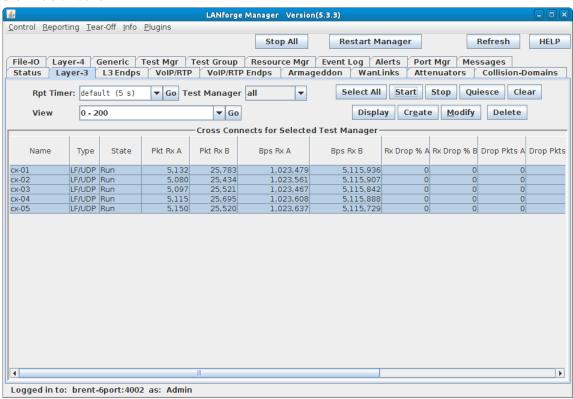
For more information see LANforge User's Guide: Layer-3 Endpoints (FIRE)

#### 5. Run traffic.

A. Select the connections you want to start



B. Click the Start button



For more information see LANforge User's Guide: Layer-3 Endpoints (FIRE)

### Goal: Set up and run VoIP traffic.

In this example, LANforge-FIRE is used to set up two VoIP test calls that may be used as a basis for VoIP load testing or VoIP Gateway testing.

- Test 1: Directed VoIP call where a LANforge endpoint calls another LANforge endpoint.
- Test 2: Gateway VoIP call where two LANforge endpoints register with a VoIP Gateway so that the call from one endpoint to the other goes through the gateway. The VoIP Gateway used in this example is Asterisk.

This cookbook does not cover FXS/FXO ports (analog RJ11 lines). It is possible that those setup require special commercial gateway features.

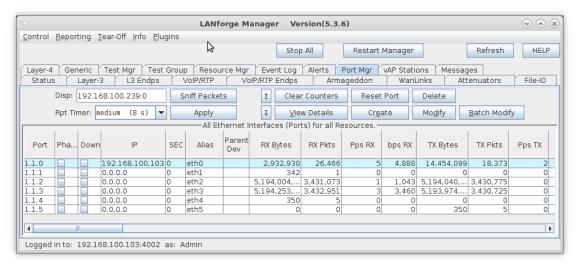
## 1. Set up the LANforge physical connections

The same two ports are used for both tests. Connect eth1 and eth2 from the LANforge-FIRE system to a network switch that is also connected to the VoIP Gateway. This example assumes that your VoIP Gateway is set up properly. If you need assistance, you can contact us at <a href="mailto:support@candelatech.com">support@candelatech.com</a>.

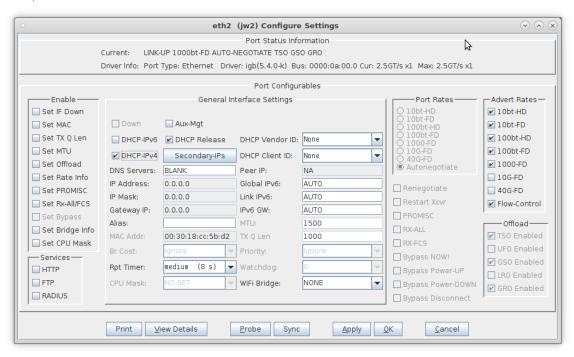
# 2. Configure LANforge ports

Ports require valid IP addresses and IP masks.

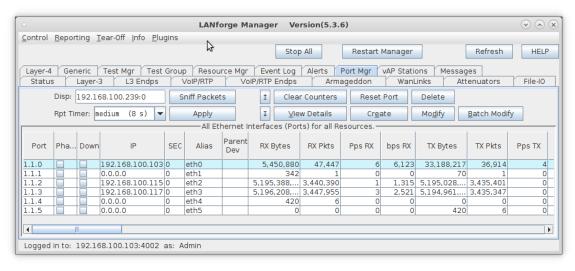
A. Go to the Port Manager



B. Modify eth2 and eth3 to set a valid network IP address and mask



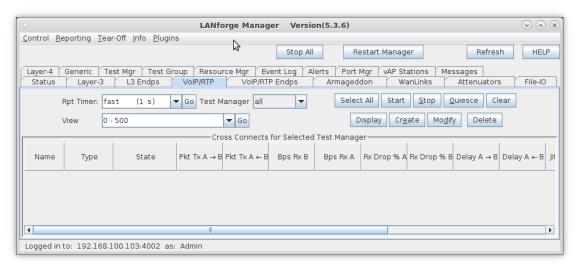
- A. If your network has DHCP service, you can select the 'DHCP-IPv4' checkbox so that each port is a DHCP client and will acquire its IP address from your DHCP server
- C. Verify the port configuration



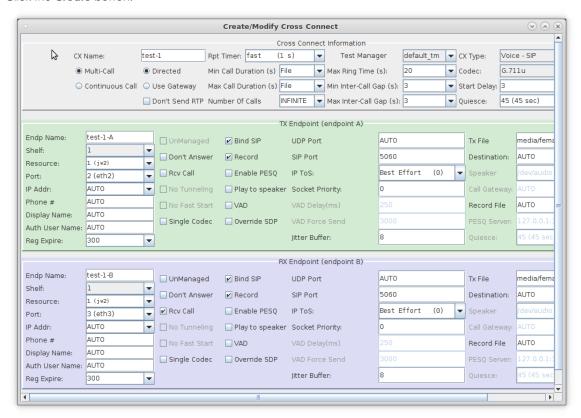
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#### 3.

A. Go to the VoIP/RTP tab



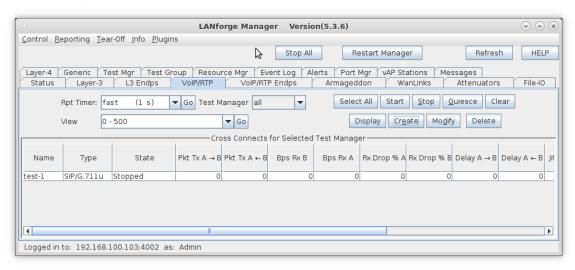
B. Click the Create button:



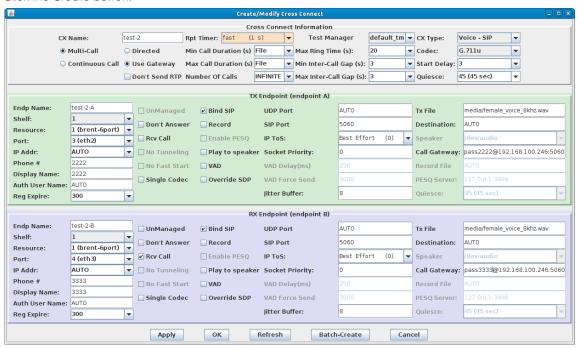
- A. Enter test-1 in the CX Name field
- B Select the Multi-Call and Directed buttons
- C. Endpoint A is on port eth2 in this example. If you have a PESQ licensed server available, you can select Record and Enable PESQ.
- D. Endpoint B is on port eth3. If you are using PESQ, be sure to enter a Record File and the IP address and port of your PESQ licensed server. Be sure to select the Rcv Call checkbox for this endpoint to receive the call.
- E. Be careful of the VoIP phone number: you might have to format the number as extension@IP-address, E.G.: 5678@192.168.1.10
- F. Click OK to create the VoIP Directed call
- C. Verify that the test call is created

# 4. Set up Test 2, a Gateway VoIP call.

A. Go to the VoIP/RTP tab

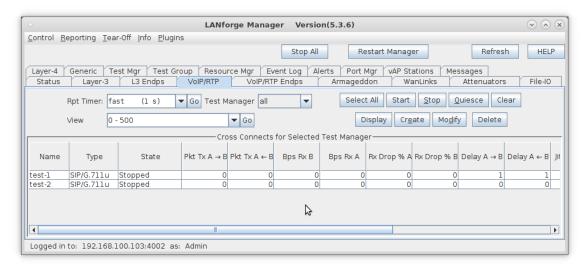


B. Click the Create button:



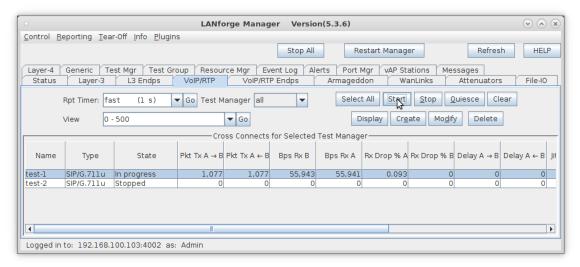
- A. Enter test-2 in the **CX Name** field
- B. Select the Multi-Call and Use Gateway buttons
- C. Endpoint A is on port eth2 in this example. Be sure to enter the proper username and password for the endpoint so that it can authenticate with the VoIP Gateway if necessary.
- D. Configure gateway authentication:
  - To register with the gateway, often the Auth User Name is the phone extension (like 3333).
  - II. The **call gateway** begins with the extension password: pass333@192.168.100.245:5060
- E. Endpoint B is on port eth3. Be sure to select the Rcv Call checkbox for this endpoint to receive the call.
- F. Click **OK** to create the VoIP Gateway call

C. Verify that the test call is created

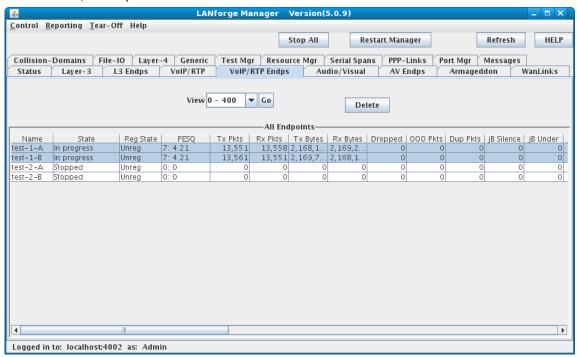


For more information see LANforge User's Guide: VoIP Call Generator

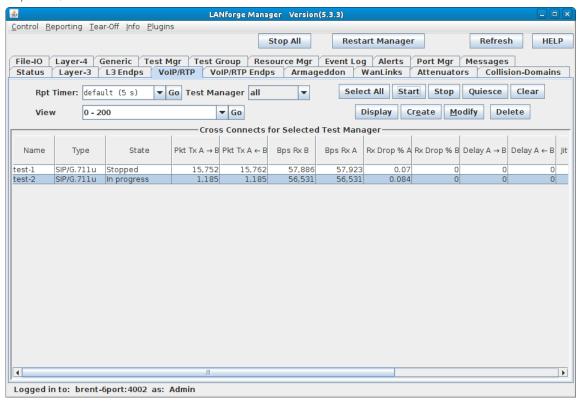
- 5. Run test-1 and test-2 individually.
  - A. Select test-1 and click the Start button



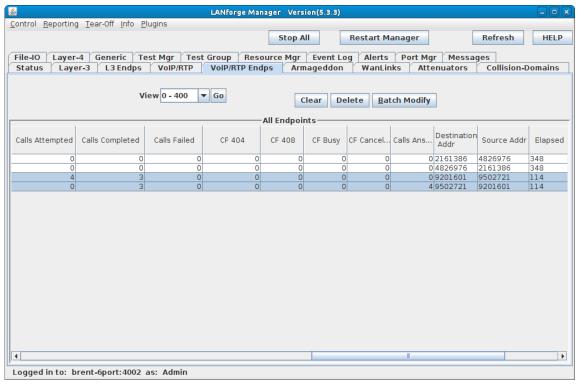
B. Go to the VoIP/RTP Endps tab to see detailed results:



- A. The PESQ score will be reported after the first successful call is completed and updated after each subsequent call
- B. **NOTE**: Endpoints are unregistered while the call is in progress because they are not calling through the VoIP gateway
- C. Stop test-1, select test-2 and click Start



D. Go to the VolP/RTP Endps tab to see detailed results:



- A. PESQ remains 0: 0 when it is disabled for the call in progress
- B. NOTE: Endpoints are registered with the VoIP gateway while the call is in progress
- C. Calls Attempted, Calls Completed and Calls Failed can be viewed by scrolling to the right on the VolP/RTP Endps tab

For more information see LANforge User's Guide: VoIP Call Generator

# 6. Diagnosing Problems

- A. If your VoIP endpoint is not going on-hook, check your VoIP gateway to see if the extension is failing to register.
- B. Extensions failing to register might be missing name hostname or IP of the voice gateway they are calling.
- C. Some gateways want **Auth User Name** to include the IP or hostname, E.G. 3333@grandstream or 3333@192.168.100.245. Make sure any hostnames are resolvable using nslookup \$name or host -v \$name.
- D. Your VoIP gateway should log when extensions go on-hook, please check the gateway logs
- E. Some gateways will not accept direct extension dialing but require *extension@gateway* style dialing, E.G. the phone number that extension 2222 would call wants to look like 3333@192.168.100.245

# **Generating Traffic Using Armageddon**

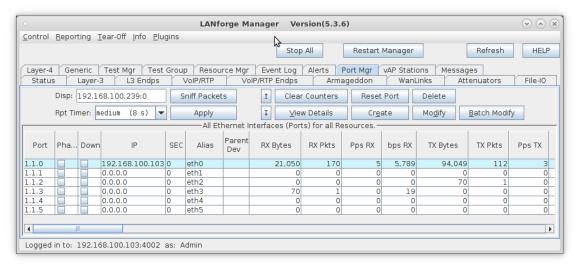
Goal: Set up and run near line-speed 1Gbps traffic using the LANforge Armageddon feature.

For more information, see the LANforge User's Guide: Armageddon (Accelerated UDP)

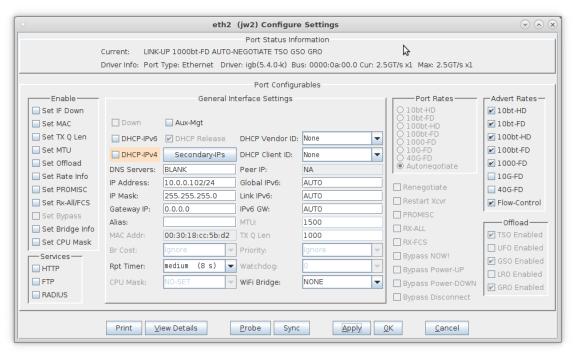
In this test scenario, LANforge Armageddon is set up to run at about 80,000 packets/second full-duplex to achieve near line-speed 1Gbps traffic generation.

**Note**: In order to use the LANforge Armageddon feature, your system must have the LANforge kernel patch applied and your system must be properly licensed. Please feel free to contact us at <a href="mailto:support@candelatech.com">support@candelatech.com</a> if you would like to obtain a demo license for the Armageddon feature.

- 1. Configure the physical interfaces.
  - A. Go to the Port Manager and select ports eth2 and eth3

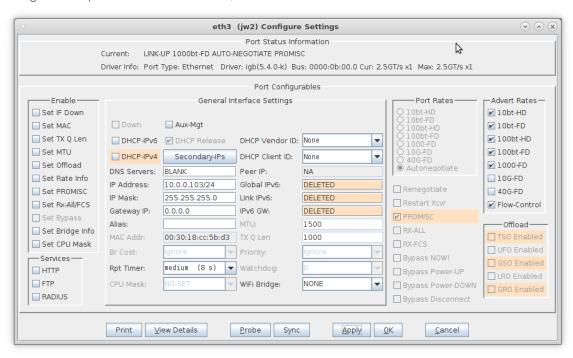


B. Modify ports eth2 and eth3:



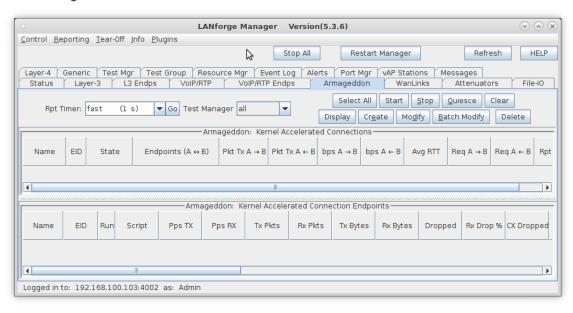
A. In this example, eth2 and eth3 are physically connected with a patch cable

C. Configure each port with a valid IP address, then click OK

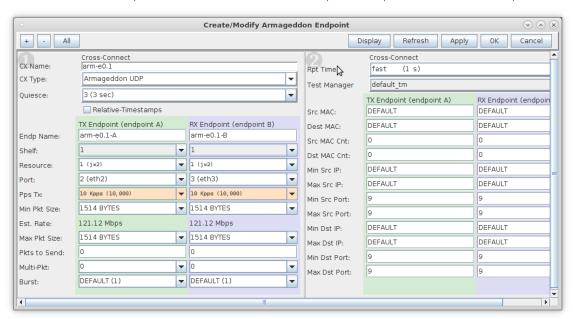


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- 2. Create the Armageddon cross-connect.
  - A. On the **Armageddon** tab, click the **Create** button

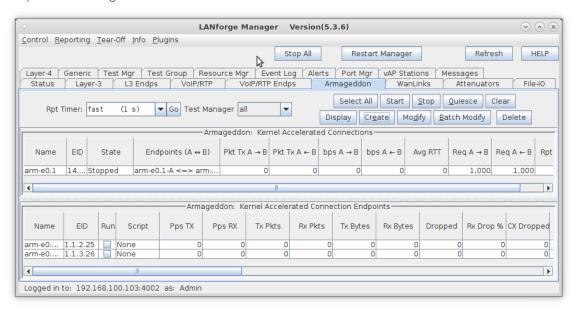


B. Enter a CX Name, select ports eth2 and eth3, then enter the speed and packet size for both endpoints



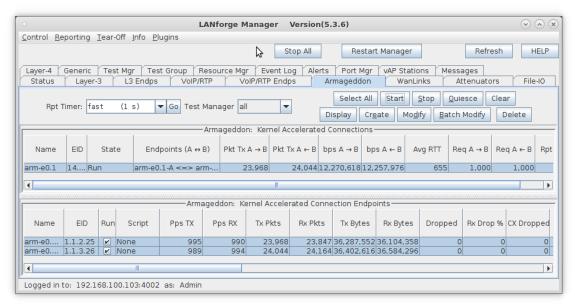
- A. For this example, 10000pps at 1514byte packet size should generate about 121Mbps
- B. Click **OK** when finished

C. Verify that the Armageddon connection is created

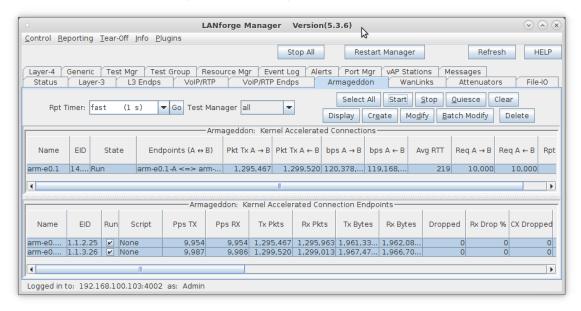


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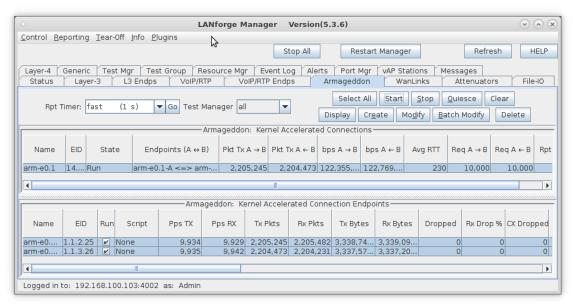
- 3. Run the Armageddon cross-connect and view results.
  - A. Select the Armageddon connection then click Start



B. It will take a moment for the Armageddon traffic to stabilize. Depending on the hardware, LANforge will settle on an actual rate which may differ from the requested rate.



C. In this example, this system (1.8GHz Intel Atom D525, 6 onboard 10/100/1000 ports) is capable of reaching 81,000pps with 1514byte packets or, an equivalent speed of about 990-1005Mbps bi-directional.



A. **NOTE**: Delay for Armageddon connections is measured in microseconds (us) and in this example, the system experiences about 39us of delay when sending to itself.

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# **Generating Armageddon Traffic Containing Random MAC Addresses**

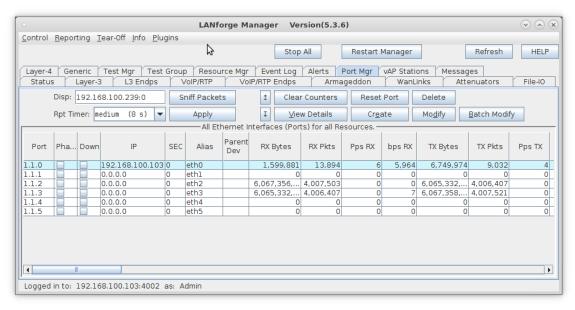
## Goal: Set up and run traffic containing random MAC addresses using the LANforge Armageddon feature.

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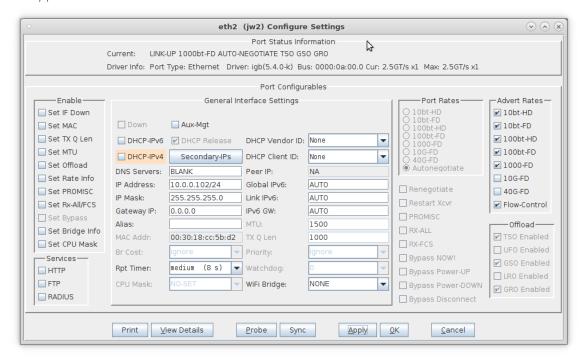
In this test scenario, LANforge Armageddon is set up to run with random MAC addresses. This is useful when performance/stress testing network devices that may not be able to keep up with high-speed traffic containing rapidly changing MAC addresses.

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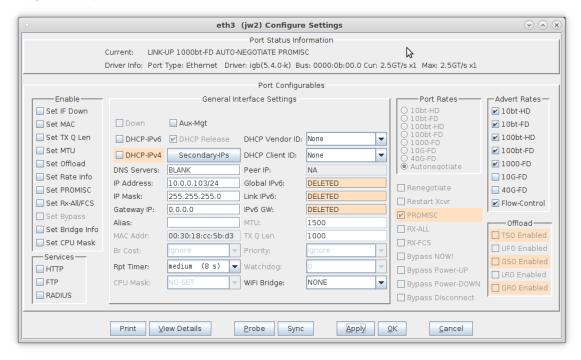
- 1. Configure the physical interfaces.
  - A. Go to the Port Manager and select ports eth2 and eth3



B. Modify ports eth2 and eth3

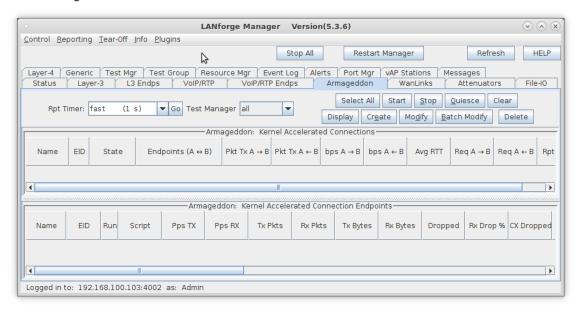


- A. In this example, eth2 and eth3 are connected to another LANforge system running a WanLink so that the Armageddon traffic can be sniffed on the other machine's interface
- B. NOTE: Be sure that both ports are in Promiscuous mode by selecting the Set PROMISC and PROMISC checkboxes
- C. Configure each port with a valid IP address, then click OK

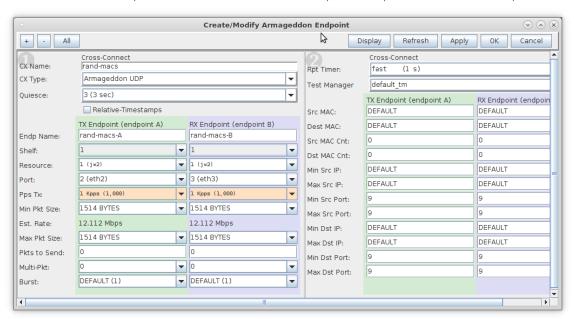


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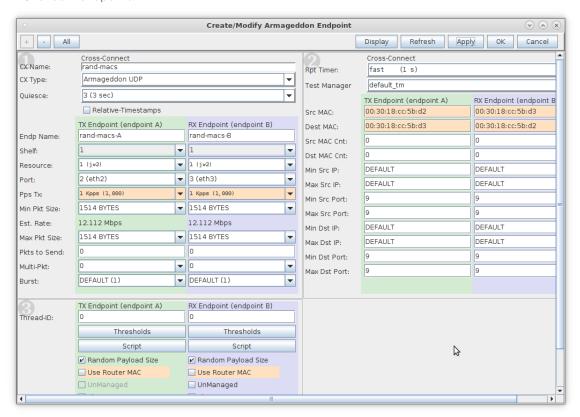
- 2. Create the Armageddon cross-connect.
  - A. On the **Armageddon** tab, click **Create**



B. Enter a CX Name, select ports eth2 and eth3, then enter the speed and packet size for both endpoints

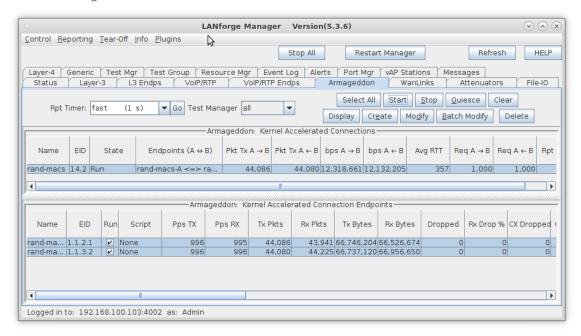


C. Enter values for the Source and Destination MAC addresses, specify a MAC count, and deselect Use Router MAC for both endpoints.

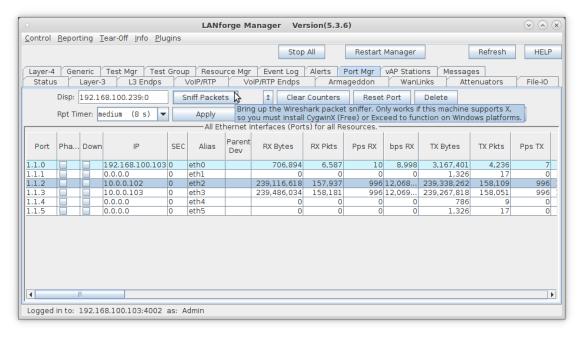


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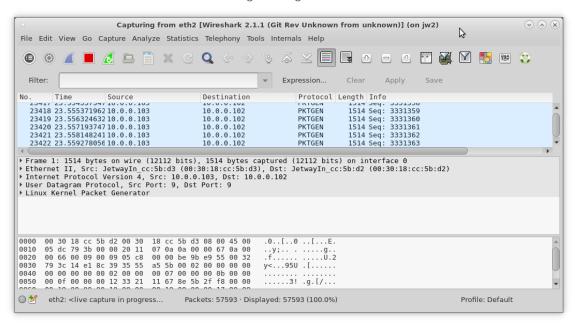
- 3. Run the Armageddon cross-connect and verify results with Wireshark.
  - A. Select the Armageddon connection then click Start



B. On the **Port Mgr** tab of the other LANforge system, select one of the physical interfaces in the Armageddon connection

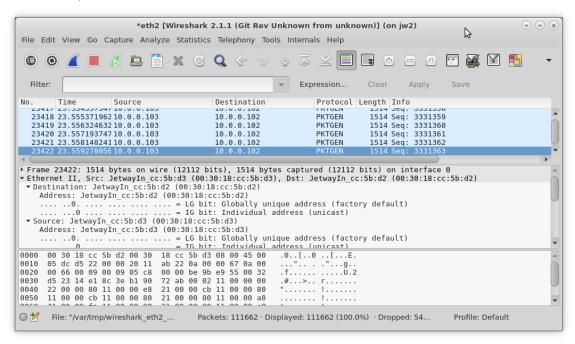


C. Click **Sniff Packets** to launch Wireshark and begin sniffing traffic.

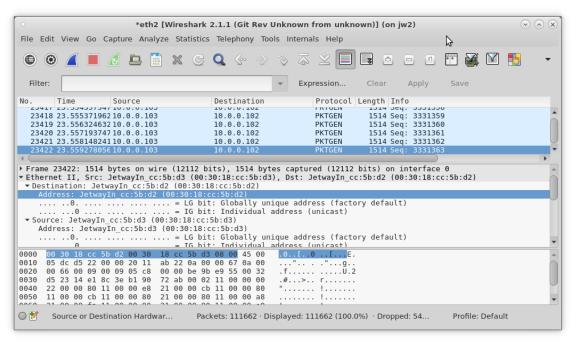


A. Stop the Wireshark capture after a few seconds via the stop icon or pull-down menu (Capture>Stop)

D. Select several packets and note their MAC addresses



E. Verify that the MAC addresses for each packet are different



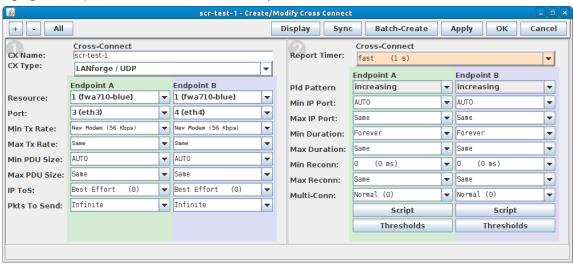
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## **Scripted Layer-3 Test**

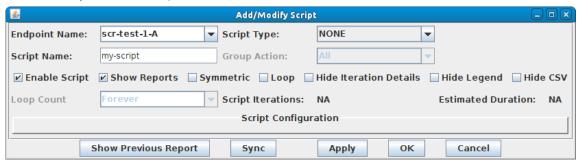
Goal: Use RFC-2544 as a guide to create a Layer-3 connection that can run automatically through various payload sizes and rates for a specified duration.

In this example, LANforge is used to set up a scripted connection that will iterate through a user-defined list of payload sizes and transmission rates. Each iteration will run for a user-defined duration with a user-defined pause between iterations. A summary text report is generated at the conclusion of all iterations.

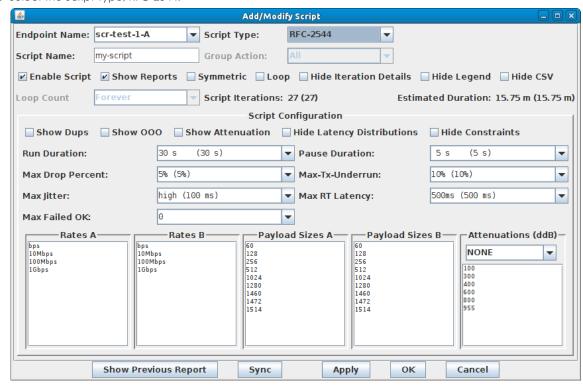
- 1. Create a Layer-3 connection. For more information see Generating Traffic to a Switched Network
- 2. Modify the Layer-3 connection to add the script.
  - A. Highlight the Layer-3 connection and select Modify.



B. Select the Script button on Endpoint A.

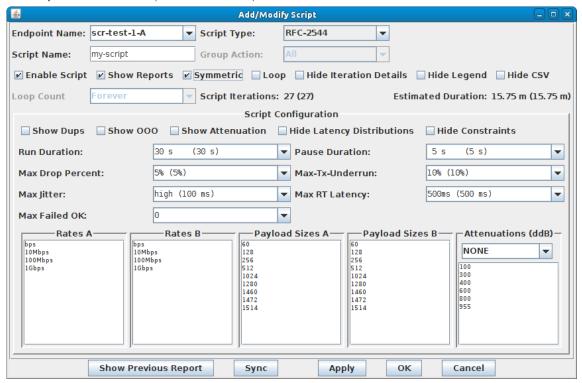


C. Select the Script Type, RFC-2544.

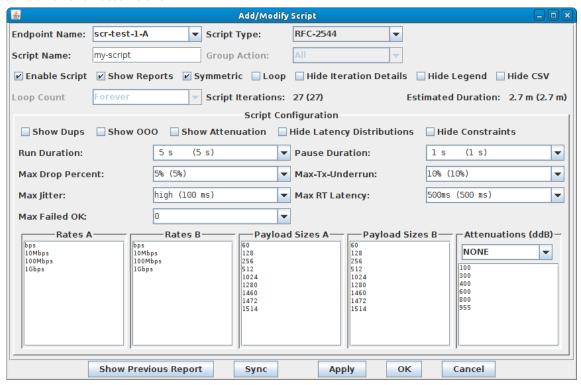


- A. Note: A default set of payload sizes are set up based on RFC-2544 but, can be changed by typing over the default values.
- B. **Note**: For Layer-3 UDP and TCP connections, 'payload size' refers to size of the payload being carried by the protocol and not the ethernet frame size.

- 3. Set up script options. For details refer to: LANforge User's Guide: Scripted Cross Connect
  - A. Select Symmetric for the script to run both endpoints for a bi-directional traffic test.

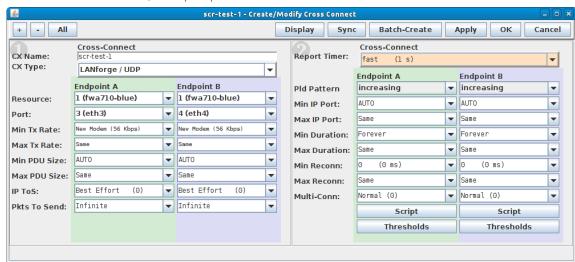


B. Set the Run and Pause Duration.



A. Note the total number of **Script Iterations** and **Estimated Total Duration** to help determine how long it will take to run this script.

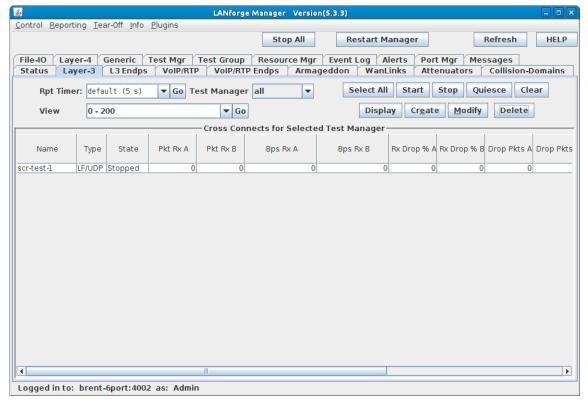
C. Select OK to close the Add/Modify Script window.



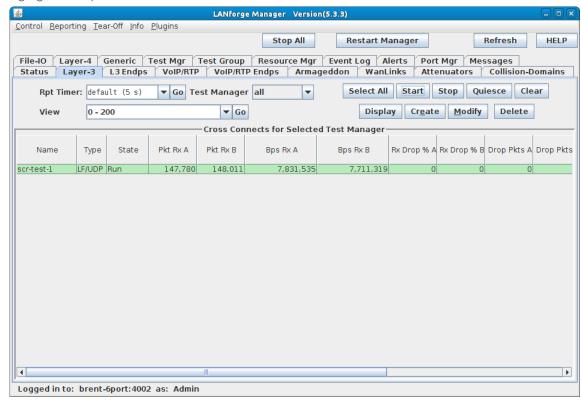
D. The Script Type for Endpoint B is set to NONE because Endpoint A is controlling both ends of the connection in this symmetric script example.



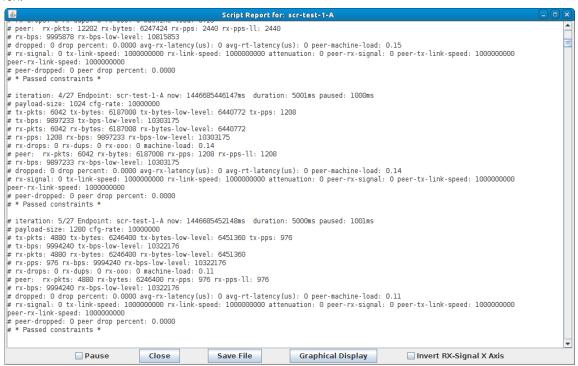
E. Select OK to close the Create/Modify Cross Connect window.



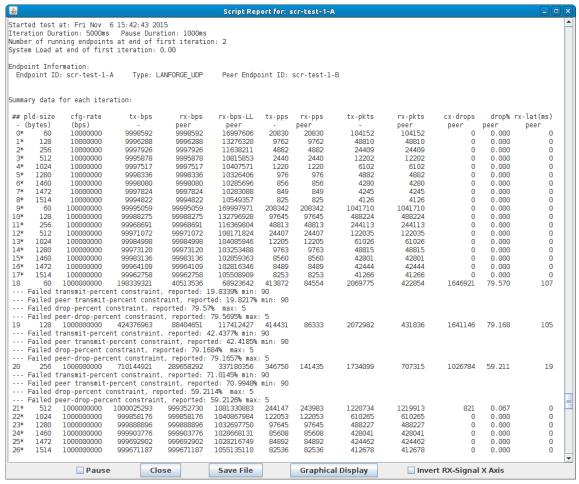
- 4. Start the Scripted Layer-3 Cross Connect.
  - A. Highlight the Layer-3 connection and select Start.



B. A script report window will pop up and show the details of each iteration of the scripted connection as it is run.



C. At the conclusion of the script, the report window will display a summary of the entire scripted connection results. Full Script Report for this example:

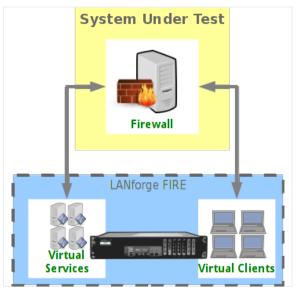


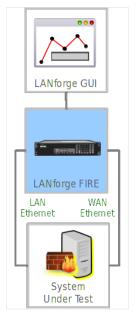
- A. per iteration details
- B. raw CSV data for all iterations
- C. spreadsheet matrices for creating your own 3D graphs
- D. system information

**Scripted Armageddon Test** 

# Goal: Use RFC-2544 as a guide to create an Armageddon connection that can run automatically through various payload sizes and rates for a specified duration.

In this example, LANforge is used to set up a scripted connection that will iterate through a user-defined list of payload sizes and transmission rates. Each iteration will run for a user-defined duration with a user-defined pause between iterations. A summary text report is generated at the conclusion of all iterations.

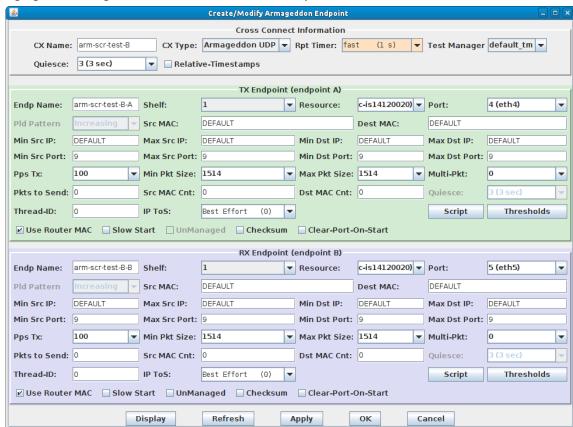




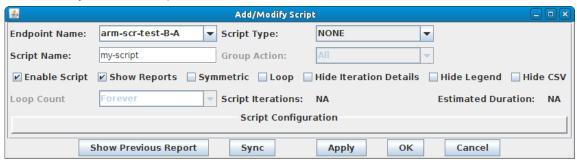
<sup>1.</sup> Create an Armageddon connection. For more information see Armageddon Testing (Accelerated UDP)

<sup>2.</sup> Modify the Armageddon connection to add the script.

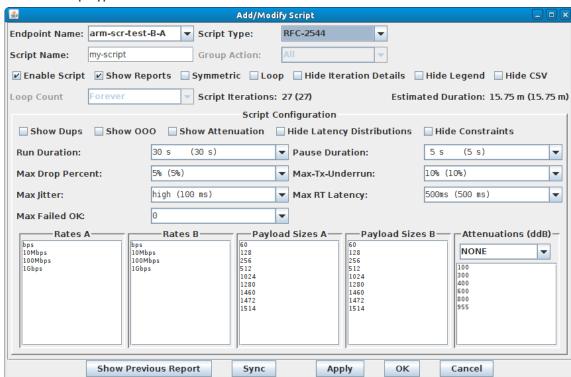
A. Highlight the Armageddon connection and select Modify.



B. Select the Script button on Endpoint A.



C. Select the Script Type 'RFC-2544'.

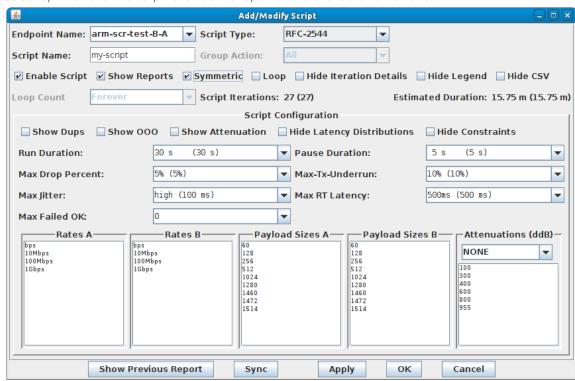


- A. **Note**: A default set of payload sizes are set up based on RFC-2544 but, can be changed by typing over the default values.
- B. **Note**: For Armageddon UDP connections, 'payload size' refers to the ethernet frame size.

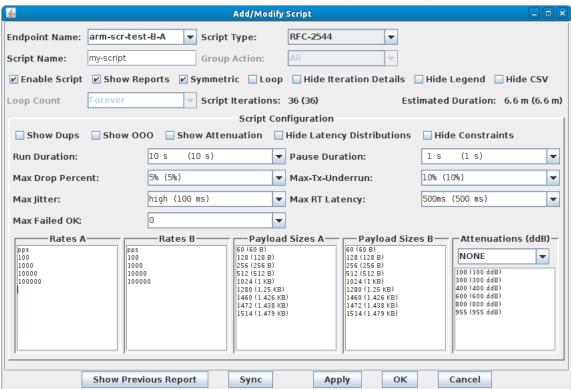
For more information see LANforge User's Guide: Scripted Armageddon Cross Connect

3. Set up script options.

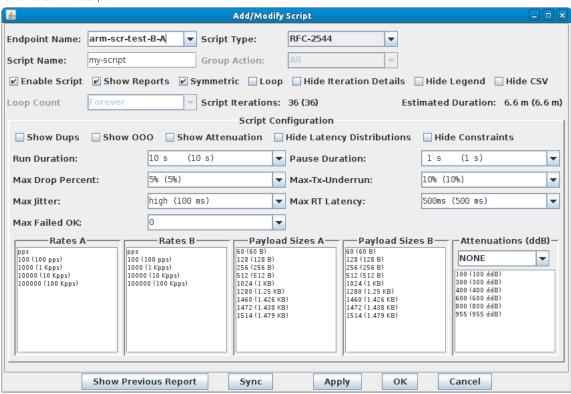
A. Select Symmetric for the script to run both endpoints for a bi-directional traffic test.



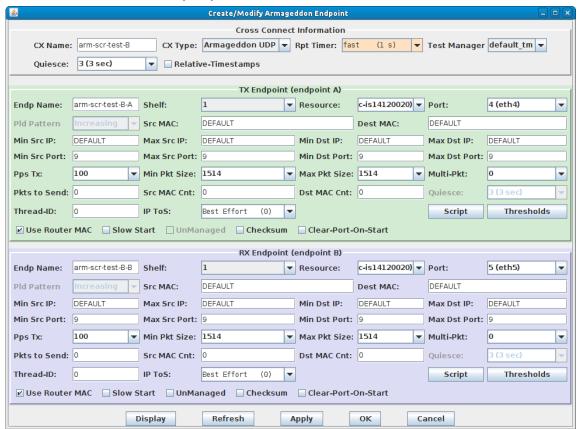
B. Set the Run and Pause Duration, max failure thresholds, and modify Rates and Payload Sizes as needed.



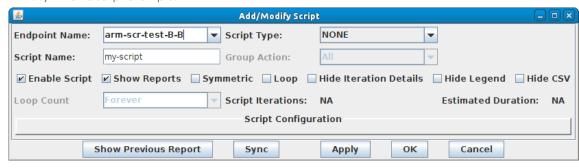
C. Note the total number of Script Iterations and Estimated Total Duration to help determine how long it will take to run this script.



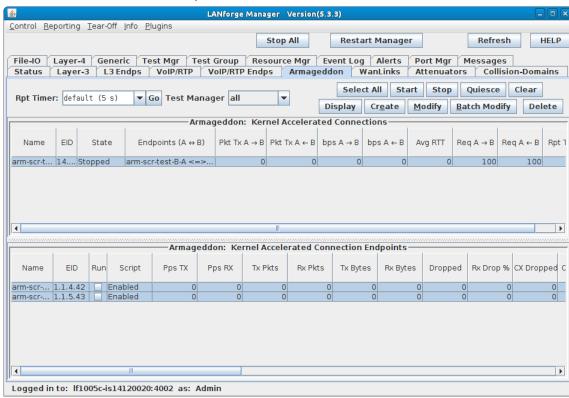
D. Select **OK** to close the **Add/Modify Script** window.



E. The Script Type for Endpoint B is set to NONE because Endpoint A is controlling both ends of the connection in this symmetric script example.

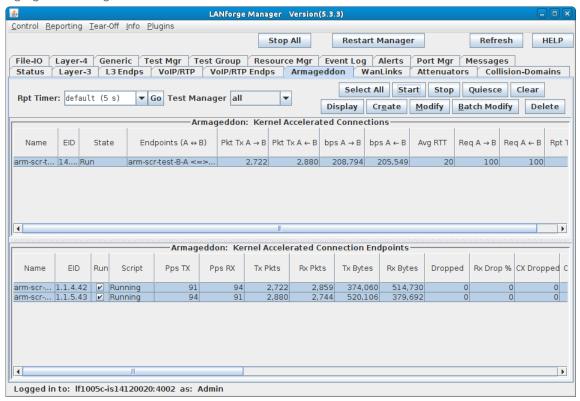


F. Select **OK** to close the **Create/Modify Cross Connect** window.

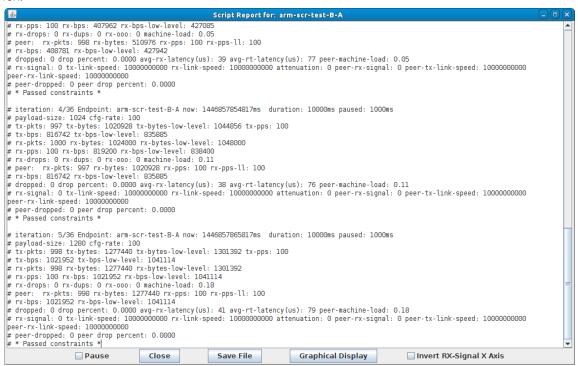


For more information see LANforge User's Guide: Scripted Armageddon Cross Connect

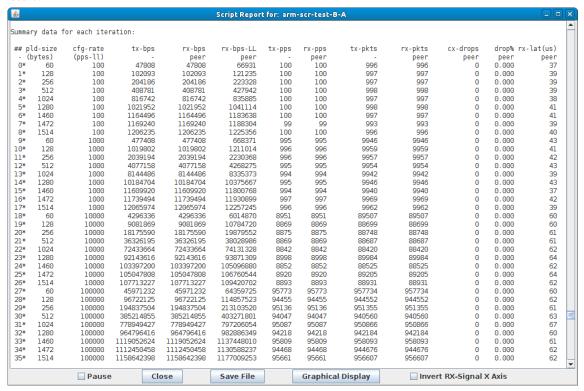
- 4. Start the Scripted Armageddon Cross Connect.
  - A. Highlight the Armageddon connection and select Start.



B. A script report window will pop up and show the details of each iteration of the scripted connection as it is run.



C. At the conclusion of the script, the report window will display a summary of the entire scripted connection results.



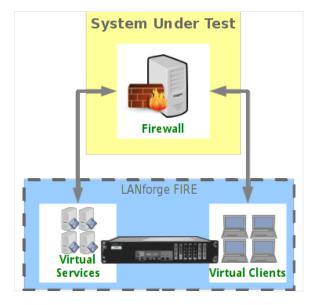
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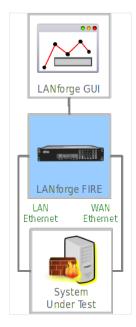
For more information see Full Script Report for this example.

#### 5000 concurrent TCP streams and IP addresses

Goal: Quickly set up 5000 TCP connections from 5000 different IP addresses.

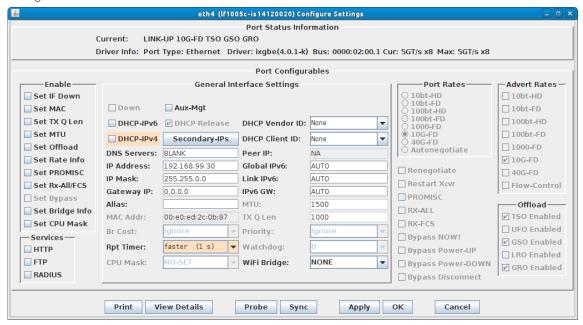
Requires LANforge 5.2.10 or later. Use the new feature in 5.2.10 that lets 'multi-conn' Layer-3 TCP connections use a range of secondary IPs to quickly create 5000 stateful TCP/IP connections on different IP addresses. This example uses two 10G ports on a system similar to the LANforge CT503-MIX systems but the procedure should work on all properly licensed higher-end systems. A standard LANforge license only supports 1000 concurrent connections, contact your sales representative for additional licenses. This cookbook assumes basic familiarity with LANforge.



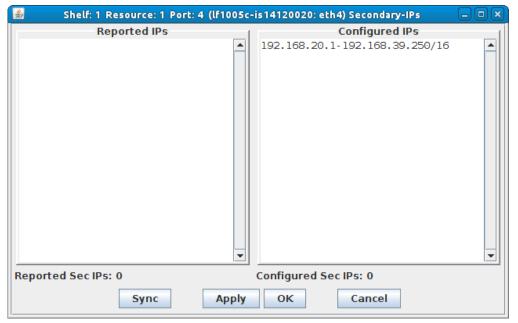


1. Create 5000 secondary IP addresses on an ethernet port. The IP address range should be on the same subnet as the primary IP address on this interface.

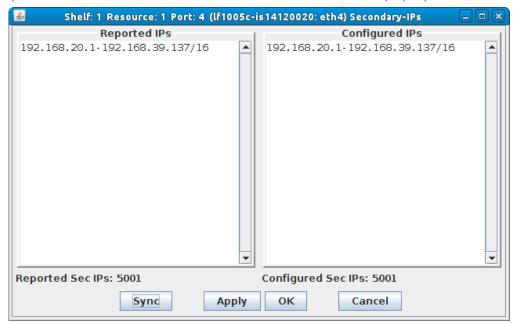
A. Go to the Port Manager tab, select the client-side ethernet port and click Modify. Ensure subnet mask is 255.255.0.0 or similar so we have plenty of room to add the 5000 secondary IPs on the subnet. Apply if changes were made.



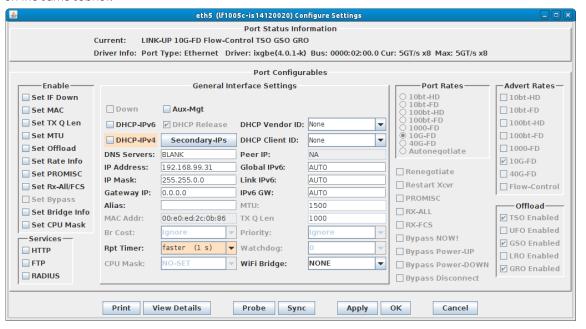
B. Click the **Secondary-IPS** button to bring up the Secondary IP address management window. Enter the IP address range similar to the image below and click **Apply**:



C. Click 'Sync' after a few minutes to make sure all of the new IP addresses were properly created.



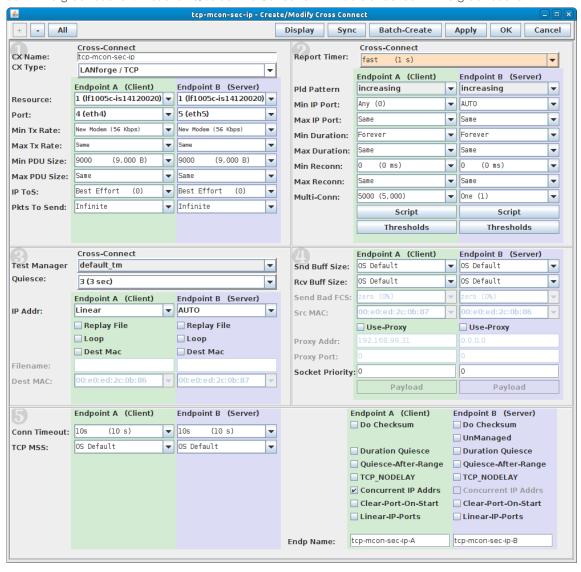
D. Make sure a second ethernet port on the LANforge is properly configured for the server-side of the network. In this case, we are using a network-emulator in bridge mode as device-under-test, so all IP addresses are on the same subnet.



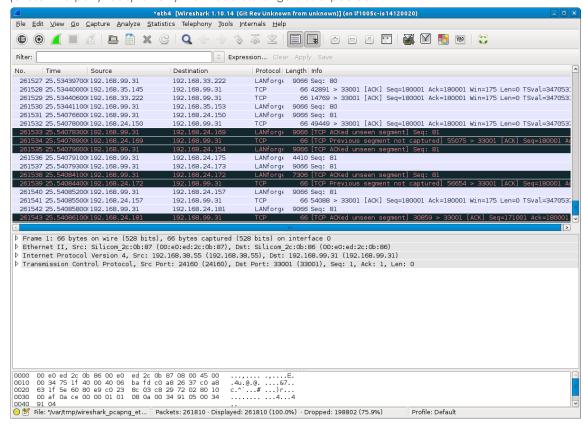
For more information see LANforge User's Guide: Ports (Interfaces)

2. Create a Layer-3 TCP connection to utilize these 5000 secondary IPs and start the traffic.

A. Go to the Layer-3 tab and click Create. Configure the CX Name, CX Type, Ports, and PDU Size in section 1. The port in the green section should be the one with the secondary IP Addresses. In section 2, configure Min IP Port in the green section, and Multi-Conn in both. In section 3, select 'Linear' for the IP Addr selection box in the green section. In section 5, select the Concurrent IP Addrs checkbox in the green section.



B. Start the connection, and then go to the **Port Mgr** tab, select one of the ethernet ports, and sniff the traffic (or use third-party tools) to verify the IP address range is as expected:



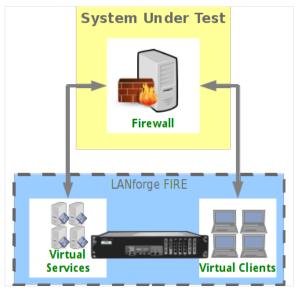
### **Multiple Thousands of TCP Connections**

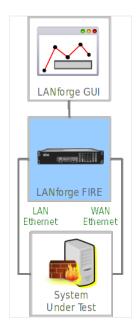
Goal: Set up and run traffic on multiple thousands of stateful TCP connections.

As of LANforge release version 5.1.4, LANforge-FIRE has the capability to create multiple thousands of TCP connections using only two ports on one Layer-3 connection that can all run simultaneously and in a stateful manner. This feature can be used to test connection state aware devices such as firewalls, stateful packet inspection systems and intrusion detection/prevention systems.

The upper limit of the total number of concurrent connections is determined by the processor speed and total memory available on the system running the LANforge software. In addition, the packet rate and payload size of each connection will also affect performance.

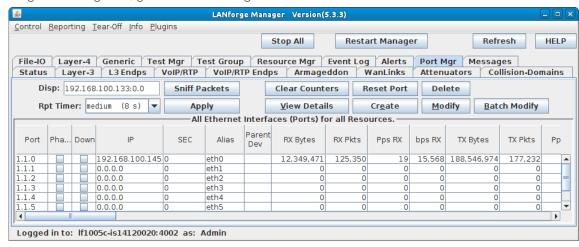
**NOTE**: If you are attempting to run this test scenario, you will need a LANforge license key that enables the correct number of multi-connections. Please contact us at <a href="mailto:support@candelatech.com">support@candelatech.com</a> for assistance.



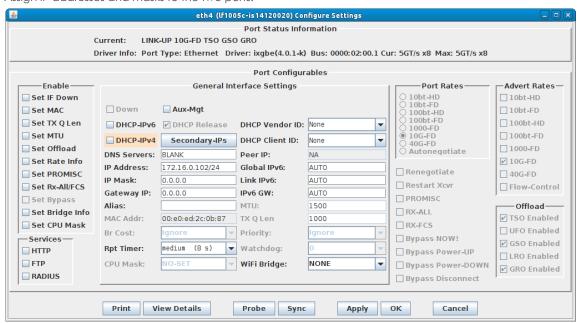


- 1. For this example, two physical ports on a single LANforge system are connected together.
- 2. Set up the LANforge ports so that they have valid IP addresses and IP masks.

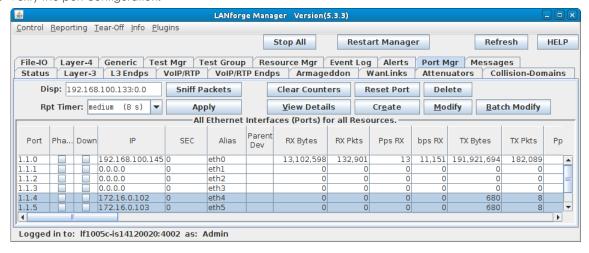
A. Using the LANforge GUI, go to the Port Manager tab.



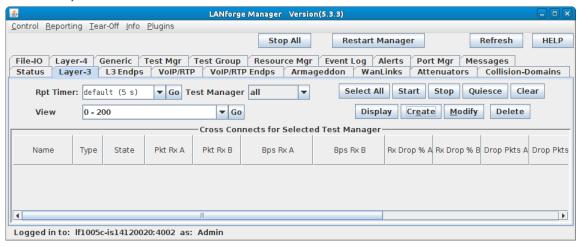
B. Assign IP addresses and masks to the two ports.



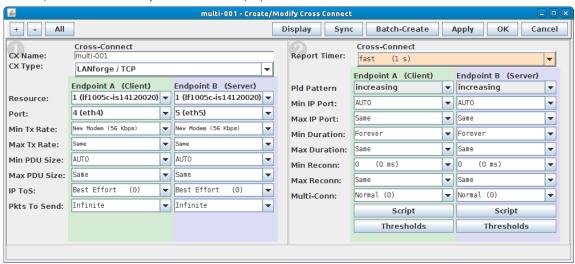
C. Verify the port configuration.



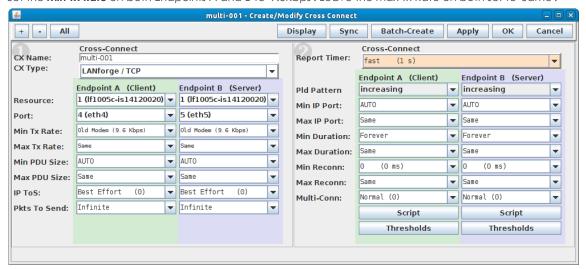
- 3. Set up a Layer-3 Multi-Conn TCP connection.
  - A. Go to the Layer-3 tab, and select the Create button.



B. For Endpoint A, type in a name in the **CX Name** field, choose a **CX Type** of 'LANforge/TCP', choose the correct ports and set the **Report Timer** to 'fast (1 s)'.

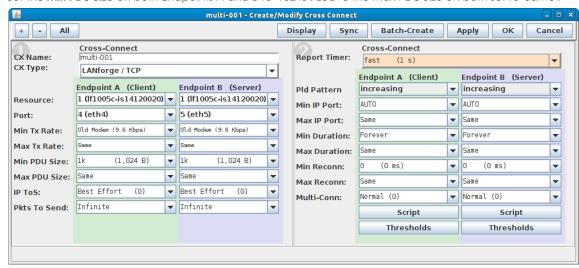


C. Set the Min Tx Rate on both Endpoints A and B to '9.6Kbps'. Leave the Max Tx Rate on both set to 'Same'.

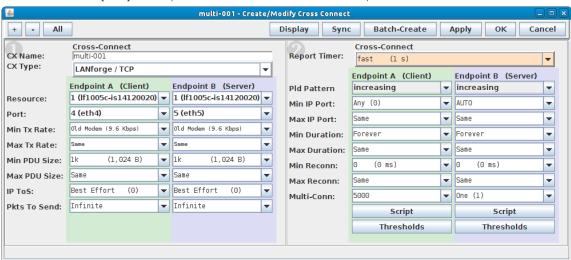


A. NOTE: Higher speeds and/or bursty transmit rates will require more memory to process per connection.

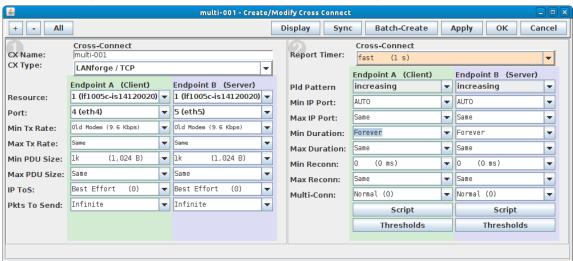
D. Set the Min PDU Size on both Endpoints A and B to '1024B'. Leave the Max PDU Size on both set to 'Same'.



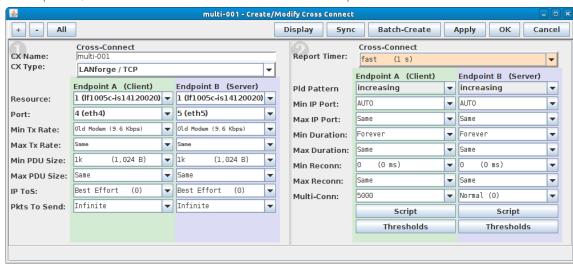
- A. NOTE: Larger packet sizes will use more memory, smaller packet sizes will require more CPU processing time.
- E. Set Min IP Port to 0 (zero) on Endpoint A. Leave the Min IP Port on Endpoint B set to AUTO.



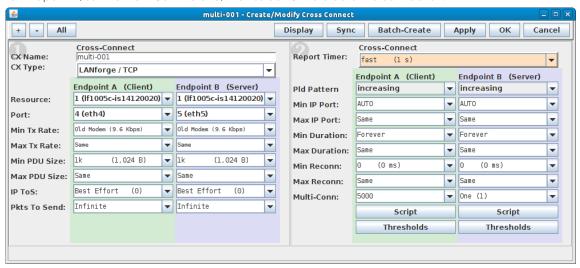
- A. Leaving Min IP Port on AUTO would make connections very slow to reconnect due to IP port re-use issues. Multiconn may not work at all with a fixed IP port.
- F. Leave the **Min Duration** set to Forever and **Max Duration** set to Same for both endpoints, unless you want each of the multiple TCP connections to teardown and restart after a specified duration.



G. For Endpoint A, set the Multi-Conn to the desired number of multiple TCP connections.



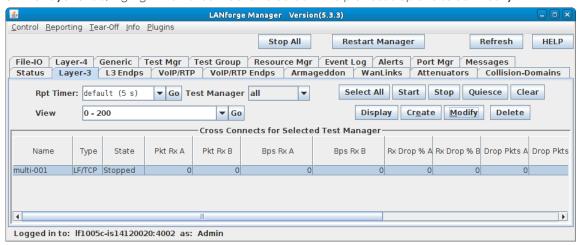
- A. You can type in any value that your license allows here or choose one from the drop down box. The recommended approach is to create a new Multi-Conn connection for every 5000 connections.
- H. For Endpoint B, set the Multi-Conn to one, then select OK to create the connection.



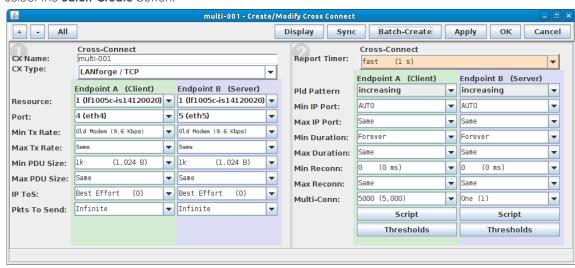
A. Endpoint B is the 'server' side of the TCP connection, therefore it is only necessary to have one Multi-Conn set up on Endpoint B to reply to all of the Endpoint A TCP SYN packets when the 5000 connections are being established.

For more information see LANforge User's Guide: Creating & Modifying Cross Connects

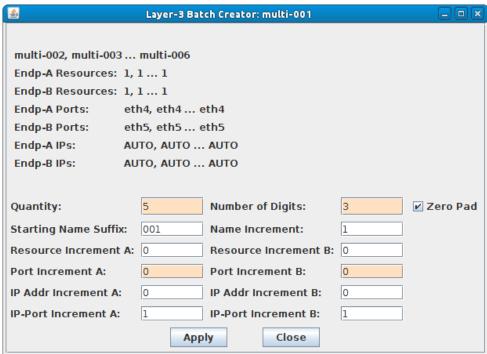
- 4. Create 5 more Layer-3 Multi-Conn TCP connections.
  - A. On the Layer-3 tab, highlight the first connection created in the previous step and select Modify.



B. Select the Batch-Create button.

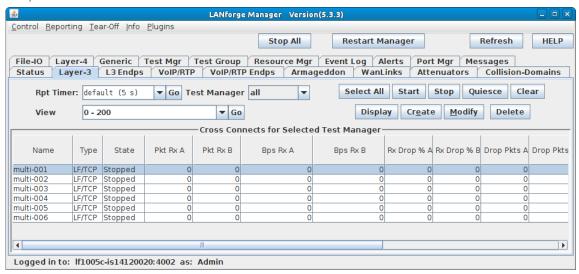


C. Set the Quantity to 5, and set Port Increment A and Port Increment B to 0 (zero)



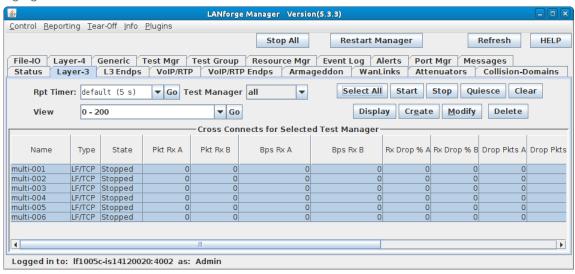
D. Select the **Apply** button.

E. Verify that six Multi-Conn TCP connections were created.

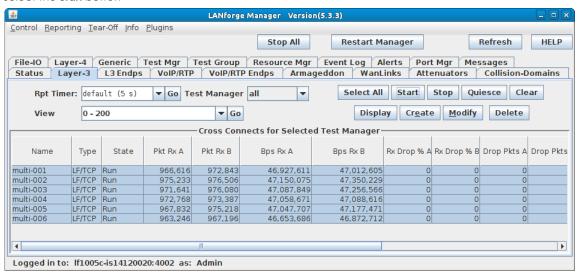


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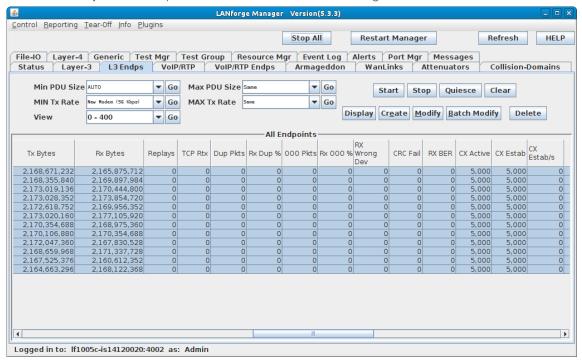
- 5. Run traffic and verify results.
  - A. Highlight all six connections.



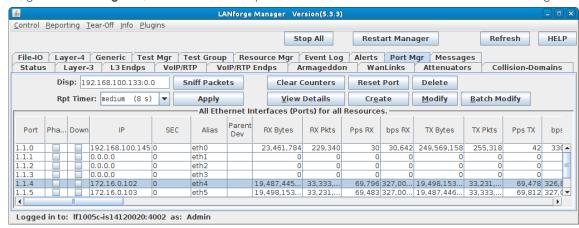
B. Select the Start button



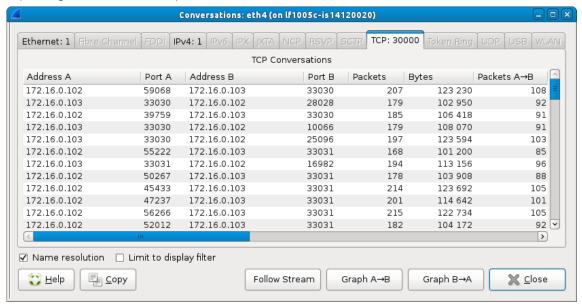
C. Go to the L3 Endps tab to verify that all 30,000 connections are running.



D. Or, go to the Port Mgr tab, and sniff one of the ports while the Multi-Conn TCP connections are running.



- A. **NOTE**: You will need a lot of memory to run a Wireshark capture on 30,000 connections. It is probably best to stop all connections, set up the Wireshark capture, start all connections and let them run for 30 seconds to 1 minute before stopping them all, then stop the Wireshark capture and wait for it to process all those packets!
- E. After the Wireshark capture is complete, go to **Statistics Conversations** to allow Wireshark to analyze the conversations and show that all 30,000 connections were captured. This will take some time to complete depending on the size of the capture.



For more information see LANforge User's Guide: Layer-3 Endpoints (FIRE)

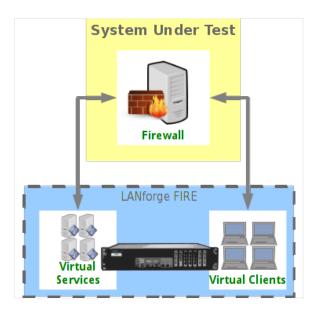
**Multiple Thousands of UDP Connections** 

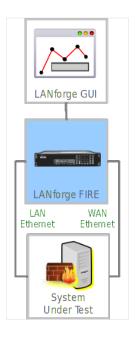
#### Goal: Set up and run traffic on multiple thousands of UDP connections.

LANforge-FIRE has the capability to create multiple thousands of UDP connections using only two ports. This example creates 1000 Layer-3 connections between two sets of 1000 MAC-VLANS that can all run simultaneously. This feature can be used to test stateless connection services such as DNS, DHCP, and file streaming systems.

The upper limit of the total number of concurrent connections is determined by the processor speed and total memory available on the system running the LANforge server software. In addition, the packet rate and payload size of each connection will also affect performance. Larger packet sizes take less CPU time to process.

**NOTE:** If you are attempting to run this test scenario, you will need a LANforge license key that enables the correct number of ports. Please contact us at <a href="mailto:support@candelatech.com">support@candelatech.com</a> for assistance.

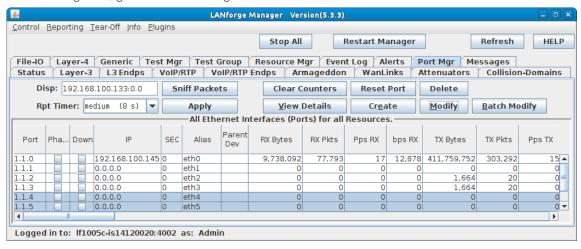




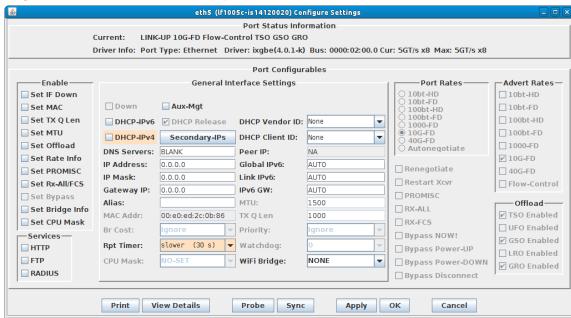
<sup>1.</sup> For this example, we are using a CT503-MIX 1Gx4 with multiple 10 Gigabit fiber NICs. We have cabled two physical ports on this single LANforge system together. Our plan of action will be to create 1000 MAC-VLANs on each port as endpoints for 1000 Layer-3 UDP cross connections.



- A. **Connection Suggestion:** If you are using the LANforge GUI Client remotely connected to your LANforge Server (like using a VPN), this process will appear rather sluggish. This suggishness is caused by the volume of reporting traffic flowing to the GUI. We suggest you connect to the LANforge Server desktop using Remote Desktop or VNC.
- B. **Reporting Suggestion:** When creating 2000 MAC-VLANs and 1000 Layer-3 connections, we are actually creating 2000 + (3 x 1000) = 5000 reportable entities that could generate up to 5000 x 4kB = 20,000kB of traffic per reporting interval. We intentionally set our reporting intervals low (10 or more seconds) to keep the GUI client responsive.
- 2. Set up two physical ports so that they have 0.0.0.0 IP addresses and IP masks. We will choose eth4 and eth5 for this example. We will base our MAC-VLANs off these two physical ports. Set the reporting level for these two ports to a low frequency: 30 sec.
  - A. In the LANforge GUI, go to the Port Manager tab.



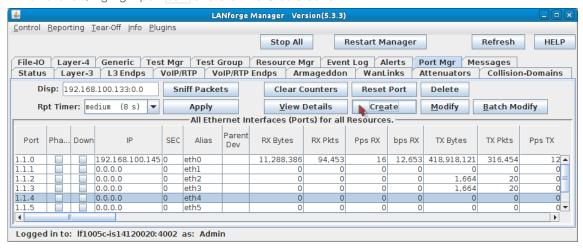
B. Assign IP addresses and masks to the two ports.



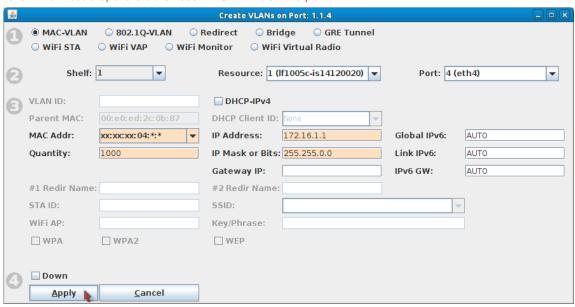
C. Verify the port configuration.

For more information see LANforge User's Guide: Ports (Interfaces)

- 3. We will use the Port Batch Create tool to create 1000 MAC-VLANs on each of the two ports. These MAC-VLAN ports should report more frequently than the parent ports: set them to report every 15 seconds. We also want to create MAC addresses that are distinct for these two groups: the first three octets will match the parent port, but we will set their fourth octets to 04 and 05 to remind us of their parent ports. The following two octets will be random (specified with '\*').
  - A. In the Ports tab, highlight port eth4 and click the Create button.

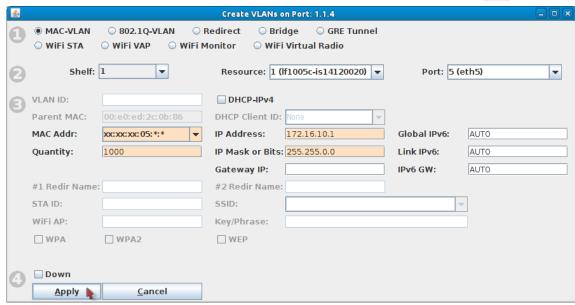


B. Follow the these steps to create 1000 MAC-VLANs on the port.

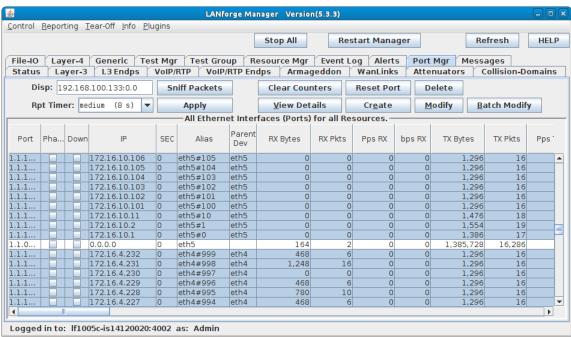


- A. Create a MAC Address pattern similar to the parent MAC address pattern: 00:e0:ed:30:\*:\*
- B. Set Quantity to 1000
- C. Set an initial IP Address: 172.16.1.1
- D. Set the IP Mask: 255.255.0.0
- E. Click **Apply**, this takes a second to start.
- F. You do not need to close the **Create** window.

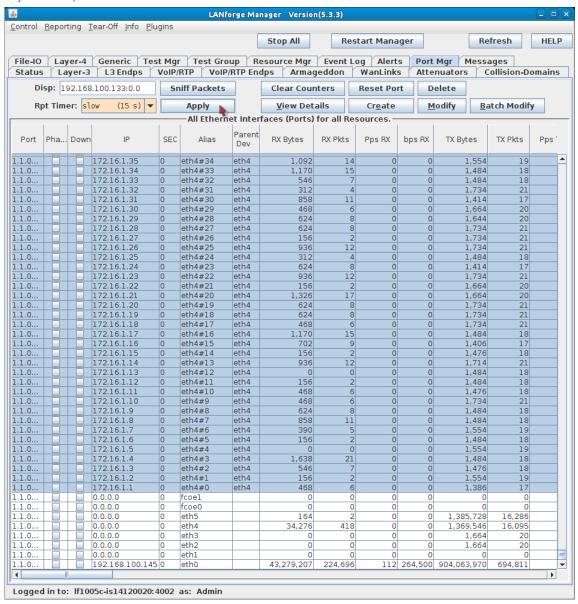
C. Repeat the previous step with these changes to create the next 1000 MAC-VLANs on port eth5.



- A. Create a MAC Address pattern similar to the parent MAC address pattern: 00:e0:ed:05:\*:\*
- B. Set Quantity to 1000
- C. Set an initial IP Address: 172.16.10.1
- D. Set the IP Mask: 255.255.0.0
- E. Click Apply, this takes a second to start.
- F. When the progress bar switches to *Ready* you can click **Cancel** to close the Create window.
- D. Check the **Ports** tab to watch the IP addresses get assigned to the MAC-VLANs. This will take 5 or more minutes.

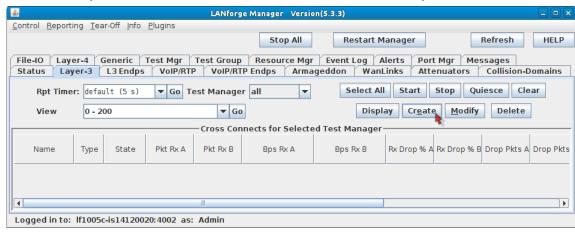


#### E. Adjust the Report Timer.

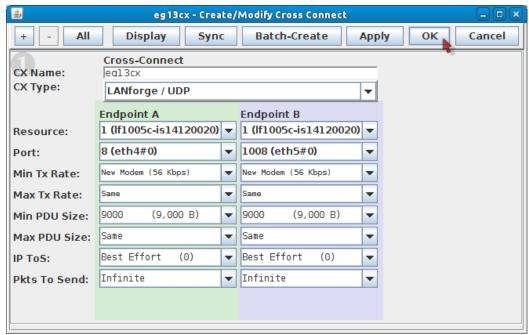


- A. Click the Column header labeled **Port** to sort all the newly created MAC-VLANs to the top.
- B. Select all the MAC-VLANs.
- C. Change the **Rpt Timer** setting to slow (15 s)
- D. Click Apply.

- 4. Create Cross Connects between the MAC-VLANs. We can create all these cross connections in two steps. First we will create the first cross-connect. Next, we will batch-create the remaining 999 cross connections using the first as a template.
  - A. Switch to the Layer-3 tab and click the Create button to see the Create/Modify Cross Connect window.

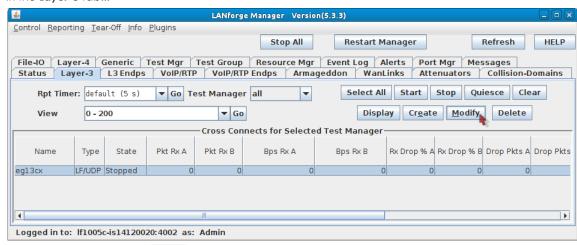


B. Set up the cross connection between the first two MAC-VLANs.

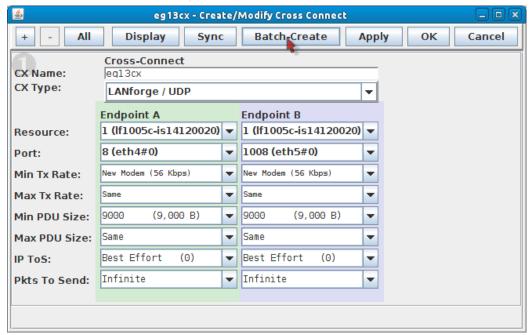


- A. Connection name: eg13cx
- B. Port, TX Endpoint: eth4#0
- C. Port, RX Endpoint: eth5#0
- D. Min PDU Size: 9,000 B
- E. Click the **OK** button to save.

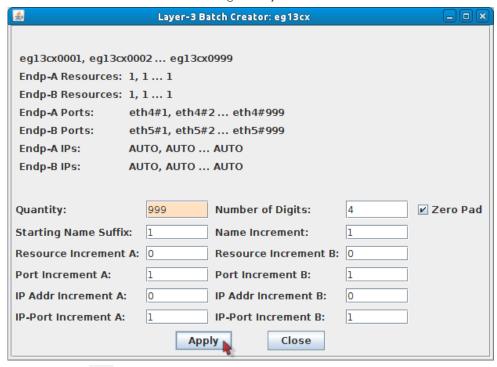
C. In the Layer-3 tab...



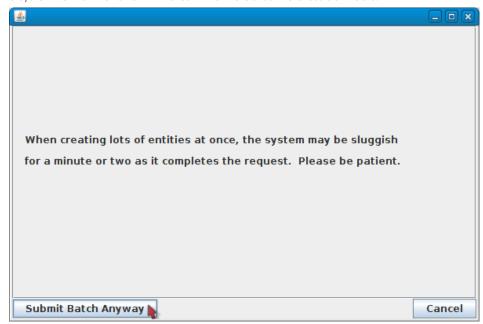
- A. Select the cross-connect eg13cx
- B. Click Modify in the Layer-3 tab.
- D. Click Batch Create in the Create/Modify Cross Connect window.



E. We can create cross connects in one batch. Using the Layer-3 Batch Creator window:

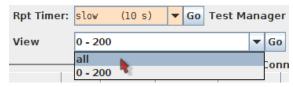


- A. Specify for Quantity: 999. This brings us to 1000 cross connects.
- B. Starting Name Suffix: 1
- C. Click the **Apply** button to create the cross connects.
- F. Expect the system to work for a few minutes while it creates the cross connects.



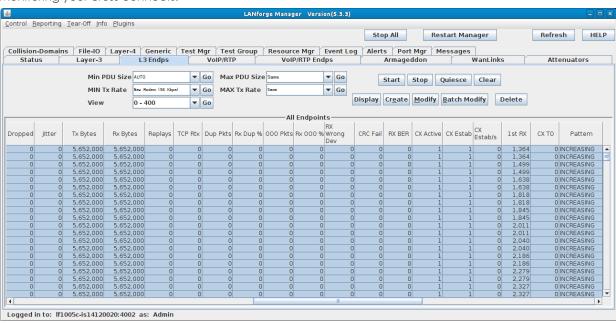
- A. When the process completes, the Batch Warning will disappear.  $\label{eq:batch_process}$
- B. Click the **Cancel** button on the **Create/Modify Cross Connects** window.

G. Update Report Timer for all cross connects.



- A. The **Layer-3** tab now shows the first 200 Layer-3 cross connects.
- B. Use the View dropdown to display all the cross connects: selectA11 and press Go.
- C. Click the **Select All** button to select all cross connects.
- D. Select slow (10s) in the Rpt Timer dropdown.
- E. Click the Report Timer **Go** button to apply. This will help keep the GUI responsive.
- 5. Start your cross connects.
  - A. In the Layer-3 tab, click the Select All button.
  - B. Then click the **Start** button.

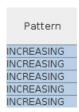
6. Monitoring your cross connects.



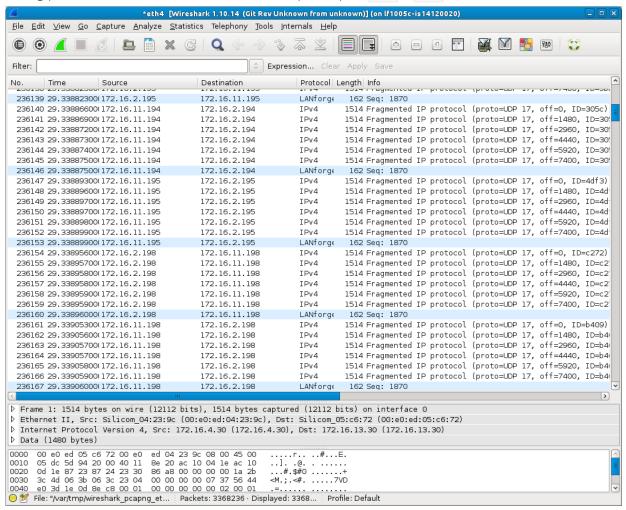
- A. As you scroll to the left in the L3 Endpoints table, you can monitor the connection qualities.
- B. Tx Bytes and Rx Bytes columns show traffic amount.

Rx Bytes
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C. The Pattern column shows traffic trend.



7. Sniffing your cross connects with Wireshark from the parent ports eth4 or eth5.



- A. To sniff the parent ports that the MAC-VLANs are associated with, you want to be connected to the LANforge server desktop using either Remote Desktop or VNC.
- B. Operating this many cross connects can be taxing on many machines. To minimize the sluggishness of Wireshark, start Wireshark when none of the Cross-Connects are active, and use the LANforge client to start and stop the traffic.
- C. In the Layer-3 tab, click Select All and click Stop.
- D. In the **Port Mgr** tab, select interface eth4 and click the **Sniff Packets** button.
- E. Wireshark will open and be capturing packets.
- F. In the Layer-3 tab, click the Start button, and let your test run for one or two minutes.
- G. Then click the **Stop** or **Quiesce** buttons to end the test.
- H. Now you can save the Wireshark capture.

# **Making FIRE Chili**

#### Goal: Make some tasty chili.

In this test scenario, LANforge-FIRE is not used to generate traffic. Instead, the test engineer should realize that all work and no play makes Homer something something.

Please note that this chili recipe is just as quick and dirty as the rest of the examples in this cookbook, but ever more tasty. Feel free to improvise...

- 1. Get yourself in a kitchen with some groceries.
- 2. Prep some ingredients.
  - A. Chop up some onions. One should be good enough.



B. Chop up some garlic. Just a few cloves.



## A. Brown some ground beef.



B. Heat up tomato sauce, kidney beans. 16oz of each is good.



C. Add garlic, onions, beef and spices such as cayenne, cumin, chili powder, salt and pepper.





A. Note: The beer is for you, not the chili...unless of course you are experimenting!

E. Cornbread is also nice to have.



## 4. Enjoy!

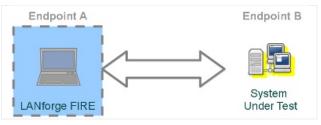
A. Serve with additional chopped onions, corn chips and cheddar cheese.



## **Layer-3 UDP Traffic Generator**

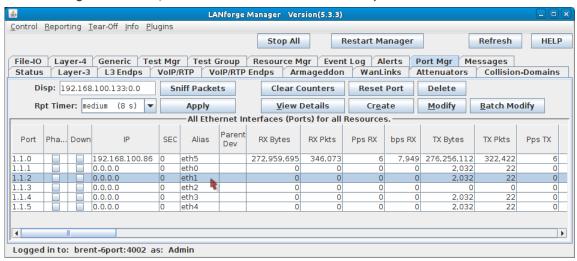
## Goal: Generate one-sided traffic to a network device with a fixed destination IP address.

This scenario is useful for testing switches, firewalls and data loggers that have to handle highly varied or very fast UDP packet streams with a fixed destination. A one-sided traffic stream is used to send packets to a network device under test when round-trip reporting is not required.



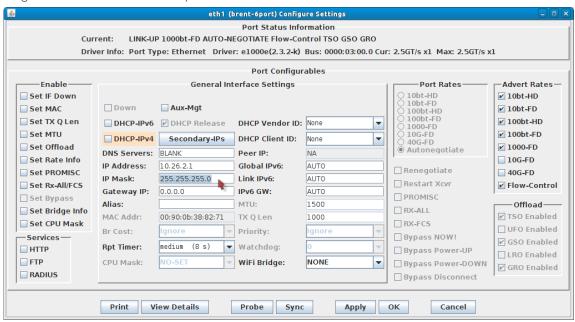


- 1. Configure an ethernet port.
  - A. On the Port Mgr tab, select a port within the table and click the Modify button.

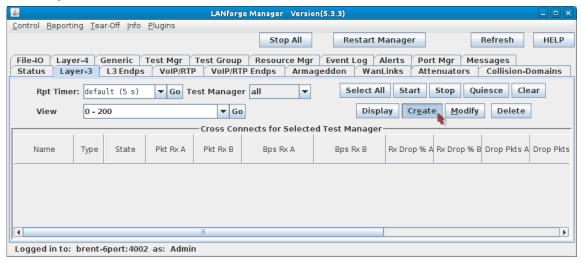


A. This example will use port eth1.

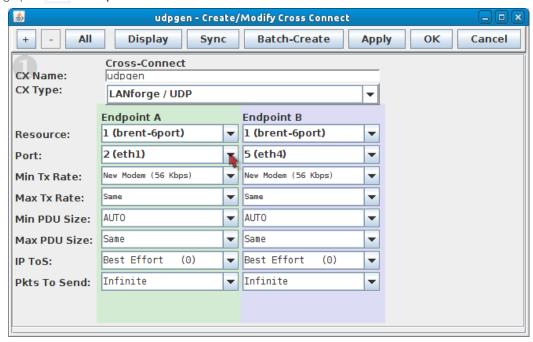
B. Assign an IP and Mask as necessary.



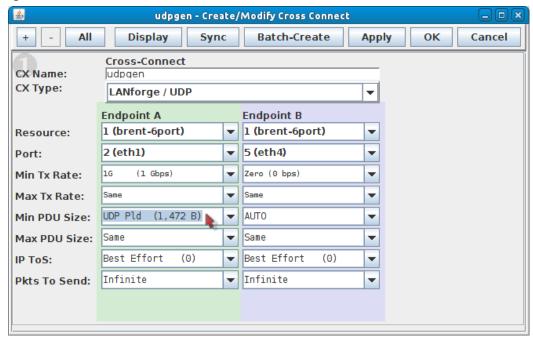
- C. Click OK.
- 2. Configure the Layer-3 connection.
  - A. On the Layer-3 tab, click Create.



B. Assign port eth1 to Endpoint-A.

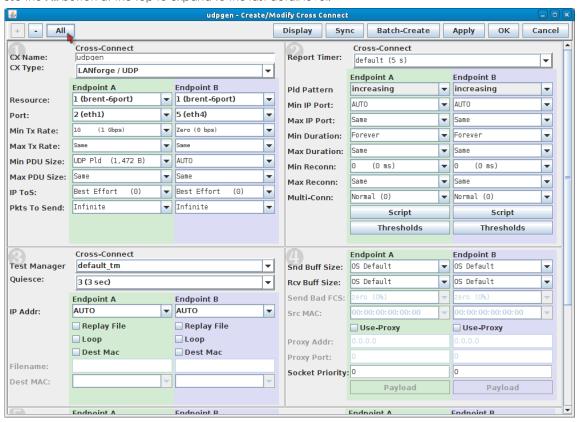


- A. You will not need to assign **Endpoint-B** because that will become unmanaged.
- C. Configure the attributes in section 1:

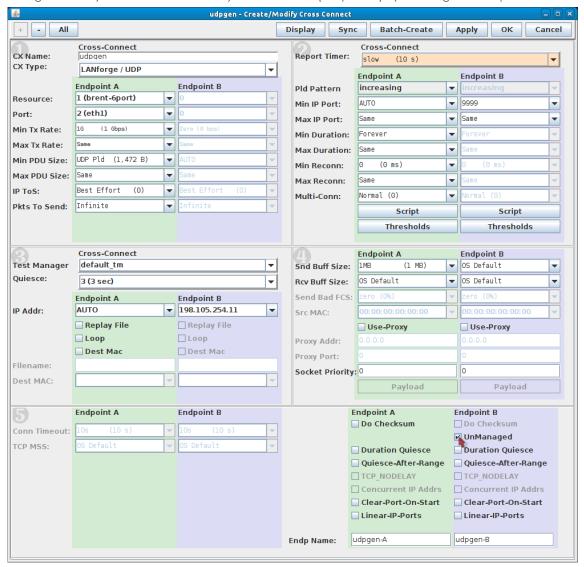


- A. Endpoint-A Min Tx Rate: 1Gbps
- B. Endpoint-**B** Min Tx Rate: **Zero (0 bps)**
- C. Endpoint-A Min PDU Size: UDP Pld (1,472 B)

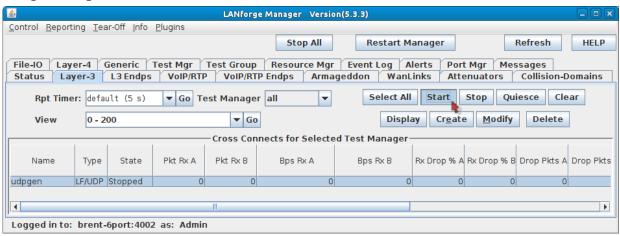
D. Use the All button at the top to expand to the last detail level.



E. Configure the Layer-3 connection to the system under test (Endpoint-B) by following these steps:



- A. In section 5, on the right side, Endpoint-B (blue), select**UnManaged**. This will gray-out most of the Endpoint-B options.
- B. In section 2, set the Report Timer to slow (10 s). Also, set the Endpoint-B Min IP port: 9999. If you have a service under test this port should match, if not, this setting still needs to be present to generate valid traffic.
- C. In section 3, set the Endpoint-B IP to the system under test IP address. Our example shows 198.105.254.11.
- D. In section 4, set the send buffer size (Snd Buff Size) to 1MB.
- E. Click  $\mathbf{OK}$  at the top to commit the changes.
- 3. Start generating traffic.



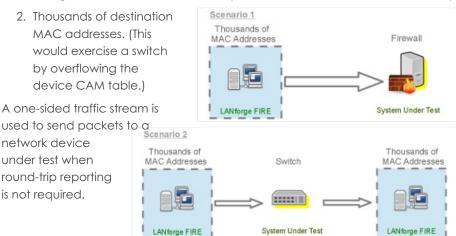
A. In the Layer-3 tab, select the connection udpgen.

## <u>Armageddon UDP Traffic Generation with Random MAC Addresses.</u>

# Goal: Generate network traffic to a network device with one or many destination MAC addresses.

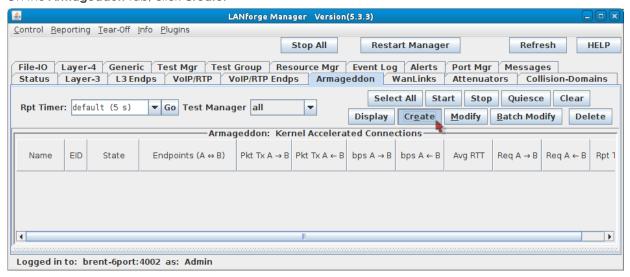
These scenarios are useful for testing switches and firewalls that have to handle UDP traffic from thousands of source MAC addresses and one or many destination MAC addresses. This cookbook covers two scenarios:

1. A single destination MAC address. (This would exercise a firewall or router.)

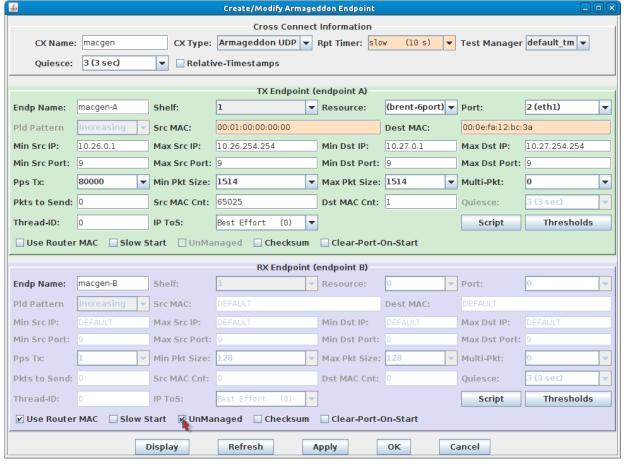




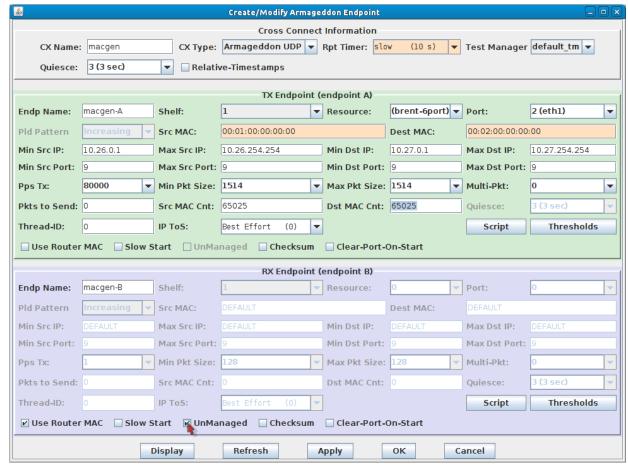
1. On the Armageddon tab, click Create.



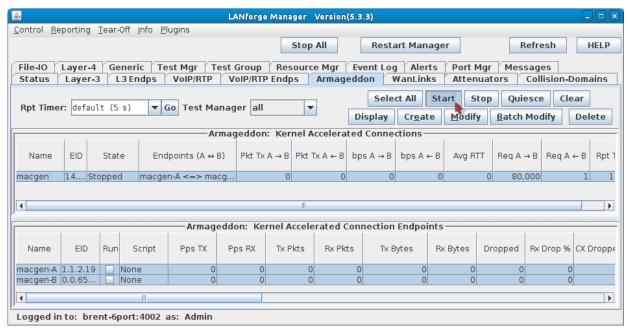
2. Firewall Scenario: Configure the Armageddon connection with the following values:



- A. In the TX Endpoint (green box):
  - A. The connection name for this example is macgen.
  - B. Src MAC: 00:01:00:00:00:00. This is the starting point for emulated remote MAC addresses.
  - C. Dest MAC: 00:0e:fa:12:bc:3a. Use the destination MAC address of your system under test.
  - D. Min Src IP: 10.26.0.1.
  - E. Max Src IP: 10.26.254.254. This emulates about 65,000 remote hosts.
  - F. Min Dst IP: 10.27.0.1.
  - G. Max Dst IP: 10.27.254.254. This emulates about 65,000 destination addresses.
  - H. Pps Tx: 80,000. This is a 1Gbps packet rate.
  - I. Min Pkt Size: 1514.
  - J. Max Pkt Size: 1514.
  - K. Src MAC Cnt: 65,025. This emulates 65,025 remote devices.
  - L. Dst MAC Cnt: 1.
  - M. Deselect Use Router MAC.
- B. In the RX Endpoint (blue box):
  - A. **Select UnManaged**. This allows us to *fire and forget* the packets.
- C. Click  $\mathbf{OK}$  to commit the configuration.
- 3. Switch Scenario: Configure the Armageddon connection with the following values:



- A. In the TX Endpoint (green box):
  - A. The connection name for this example is macgen.
  - B. Src MAC: 00:01:00:00:00. This is the starting point for emulated source MAC addresses.
  - C. Dest MAC: 00:02:00:00:00:00. This is the starting point for emulated destination MAC addresses. This address is 4.2 billion addresses after the starting source MAC address.
  - D. Min Src IP: 10.26.0.1.
  - E. Max Src IP: 10.26.254.254. This emulates about 65,000 remote hosts.
  - F. Min Dst IP: 10.27.0.1.
  - G. Max Dst IP: 10.27.254.254. This emulates about 65,000 destination addresses.
  - H. Pps Tx: 80,000. This is a 1Gbps packet rate.
  - I. Min Pkt Size: 1514.
  - J. Max Pkt Size: 1514.
  - K. Src MAC Cnt: 65,025. This emulates 65,025 source devices.
  - L. Dst MAC Cnt: 65,025. This emulates 65,025 destination devices.
  - M. Deselect Use Router MAC.
- B. In the RX Endpoint (blue box):
  - A. **Select** UnManaged. This allows us to *fire* and forget the packets.
- C. Click **OK** to commit the configuration.
- 4. Start traffic generation:

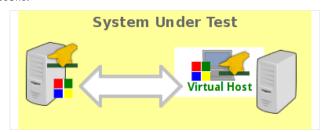


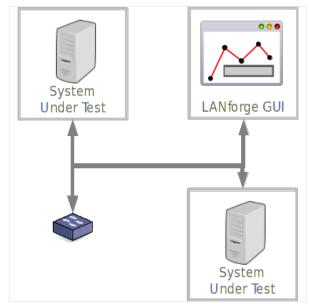
A. In the Armageddon tab, click the Start button. Traffic will begin.

## **Layer 3 Testing on Windows**

## Goal: Test layer-3 connection throughput between two Windows hosts.

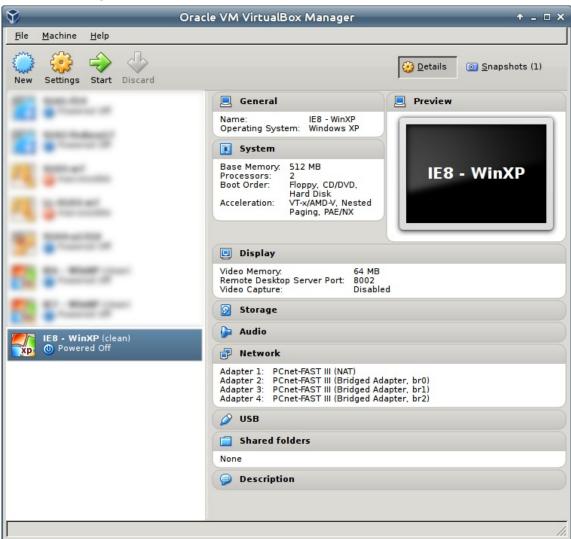
This scenario involves installation on one physical Windows 7 workstation with three network ports and a Windows XP virtual host with four network ports running within VirtualBox. We will create a pair of layer three connections and see test results.





- 1. Configure Virtual Guest Windows machine
  - A. **Note:** LANforge installations on Windows are not able to change the IP of ports. Please do this before running LANforge.

B. Set up four network ports on the virtual guest. This example shows three ports connected to the host machine over bridge interfaces.



- C. Set the IPs for the various ports using the Windows Network Settings control panel.
  - A. Local Area Connection: DHCP This is the default VirtualBox NAT port. We'll leave this one as a backup port for safety sake
  - B. Local Area Connection 2 192.168.1.201, we will use this for normal LAN and LANforge communications
  - C. Local Area Connection 3: 10.26.39.1, for LANforge use.
  - D. Local Area Connection 4: 10.26.39.10, for LANforge use.

For more information see Windows IP Address

D. Review the IPs for the various ports using netsh.

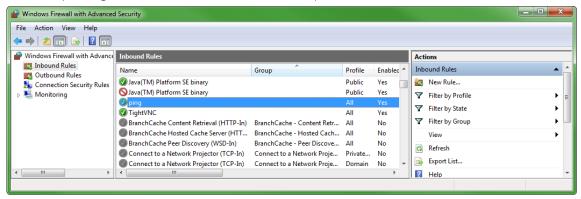
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C:\Documents and Settings\IEUser\netsh interface ip show address

Configuration for interface "Local Area Connection 3"
DHCP enabled:
IP Address:
SubnetMask:
InterfaceMetric:

Configuration for interface "Local Area Connection 2"
DHCP enabled:
InterfaceMetric:

Configuration for interface "Local Area Connection 2"
DHCP enabled:
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- E. Set up network ports on the Windows workstation. The configuration includes one physical port on the motherboard and a four-port Intel PCIe card.
  - A. Local Area Connection: 192.168.100.39, we will use this for normal LAN and LANforge communications
  - B. Local Area Connection 2 10.26.39.2, for LANforge use.
  - C. Local Area Connection 3: 10.26.39.3, for LANforge use.
  - D. Local Area Connection 4: 10.26.39.4, for LANforge use.
- F. Make sure your LANforge client GUI can ping the IP of the virtual guest management port.
- G. Make sure your LANforge Manager can ping the IPs of the virtual guest management ports.
- H. If necessary, configure the Windows firewall to allow ICMP packets. Or disable the Windows firewall.



2. Install LANforge Server on the Windows workstation

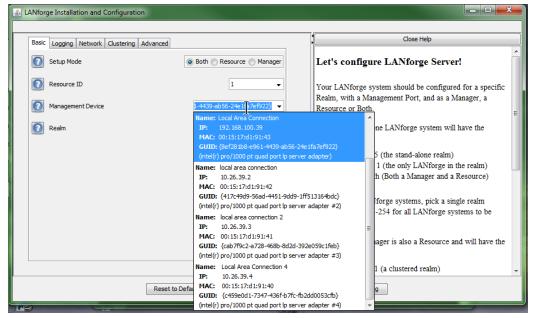


A. Make sure you install WinPCAP if it is not already installed.

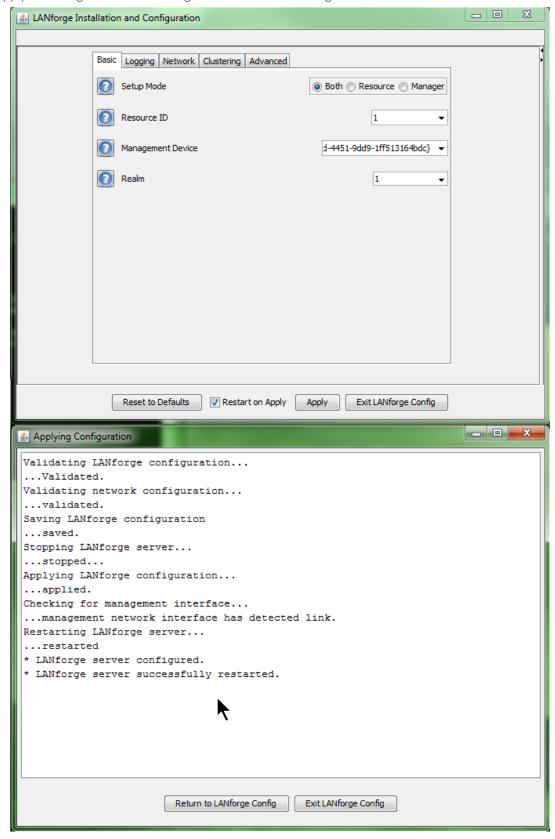
B. At the end of the LANforge Server install, launch the LANforge Configuration Utility



- A. Set the Realm to 1
- B. Set the **Resource** to 1
- C. Set the Mode to Both
- D. Set the Management port to the local LAN addressed port.

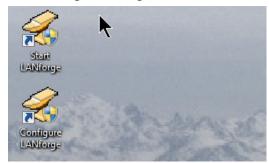


C. Apply the configuration and LANforge Server will start in Manager mode.



D. Click the **Exit LANforge Config** button. Leave the LANforge Server running (you may minimize the DOS windows.)

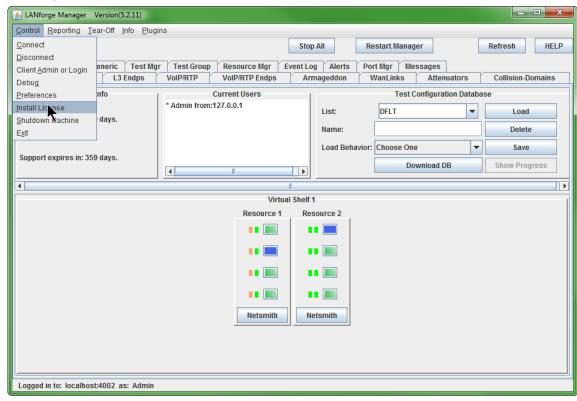
E. Desktop icons allow you to start and configure LANforge Server later.



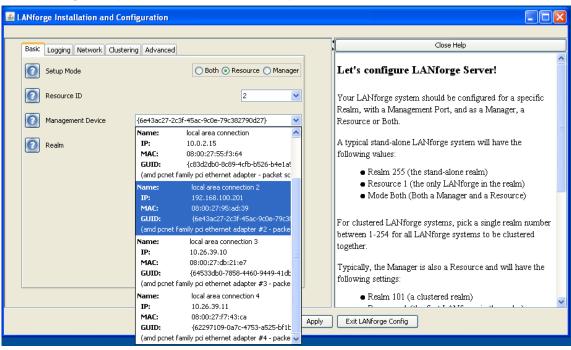
3. Install the LANforge GUI on the Windows workstation.



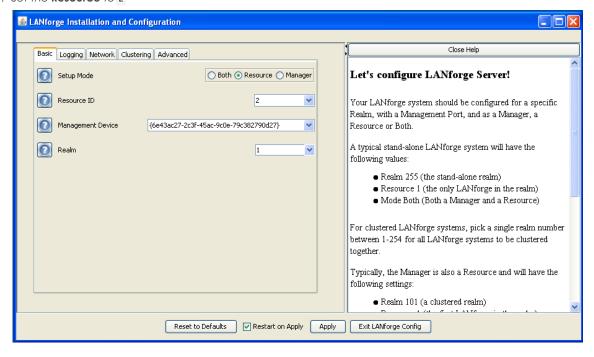
A. Don't forget to install the licences.



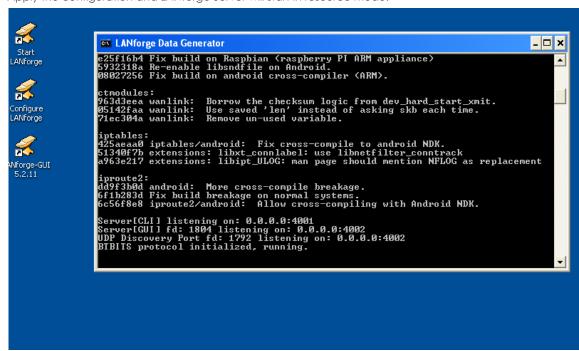
- A. Make sure you install WinPCAP if it is not already installed.
- B. At the end of the system install, launch the LANforge Configuration Utility
- C. Set the Mode to Resource
- D. Set the Management port to the local LAN addressed port.



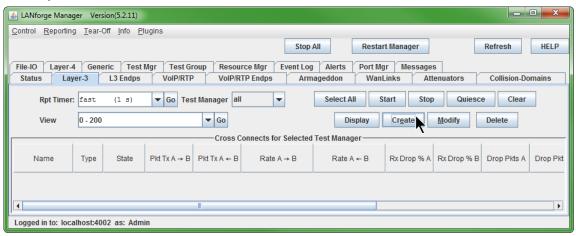
- E. Set the Realm to 1
- F. Set the Resource to 2



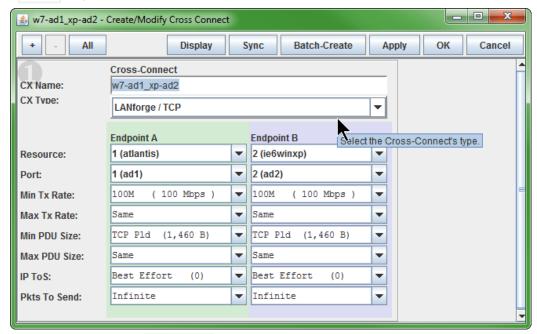
G. Apply the configuration and LANforge Server will start in resource mode.



- 5. Create Layer 3 connections
  - A. In the Layer-3 tab, click Create

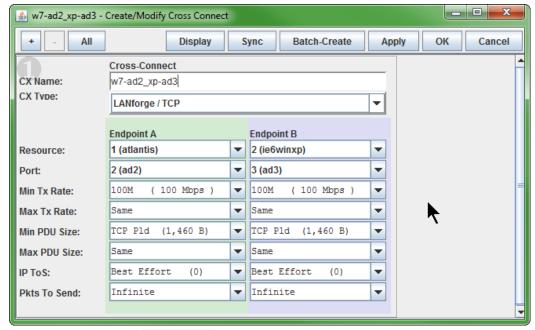


B. In the Level-1 box, create the first cross connect:

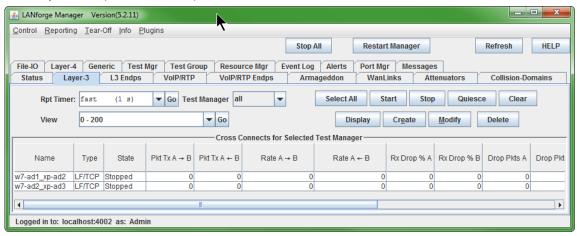


- A. Name the **Cross Connect** to w7-ad1\_xp-ad2
- B. The CX Type is LANforge / TCP
- C. Set the **Endpoint A Resource** to **Windows** 7
- D. The **Endpoint A Port** to the first 10.x addressed port, ad1
- E. Set the Endpoint A Min PDU Size to TCP (1460 B)
- F. Set the **Endpoint A Min Tx Rate** to **100Mbit**. This is a limit of the XP guest.
- G. Endpoint B Resource: XP Guest
- H. Endpoint B Port: ad2
- I. Endpoint B Min Tx Rate: 100Mbit
- J. Set the **Endpoint B Min PDU Size** to TCP (1460 B)
- K. Set the **Endpoint B Min Tx Rate** to **100Mbit**. This is a limit of the XP guest.
- L. Click  $\mathbf{OK}$  to commit those settings
- C. For the second cross connect, click **Create** in the **Layer-3** tab.

D. In the Level-1 box, create the second cross connect:

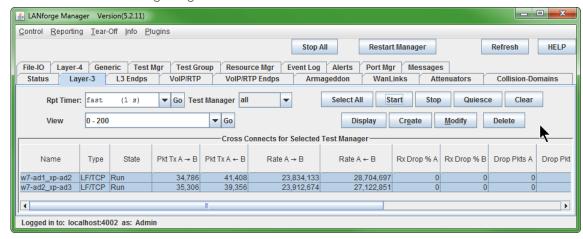


- A. Name the Cross Connect to w7-ad2\_xp-ad3
- B. The CX Type is LANforge / TCP
- C. Set the Endpoint A Resource to Windows 7
- D. The **Endpoint A Port** will be the next free 10.x port, ad2
- E. Set the Endpoint A Min PDU Size to TCP (1460 B)
- F. Set the Endpoint A Min Tx Rate to 100Mbit. This is a limit of the XP guest.
- G. The opposite end **Endpoint B Resource** is the XP Guest
- H. Set the Endpoint B Port to ad3
- I. Set the Endpoint B Min PDU Size to TCP (1460 B)
- J. Set the **Endpoint B Min Tx Rate** to **100Mbit**. This is a limit of the XP guest.
- K. Click **OK** to commit those settings
- E. In the Layer-3 tab, you will now see your two cross-connects:

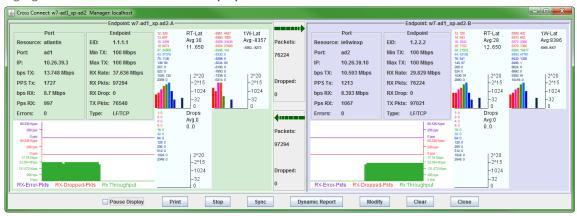


- 6. Start Layer 3 connections
  - A. Highlight the connections
  - B. Click Start

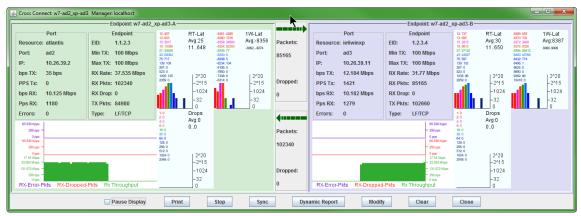
C. You will see data transferring along the cross connects.



D. Highlight both connections and click **Display** to see the connection statistics for each. Here is the first:



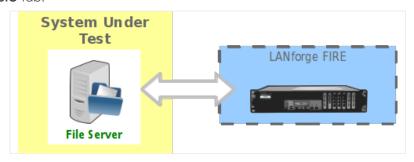
E. Here is the second:



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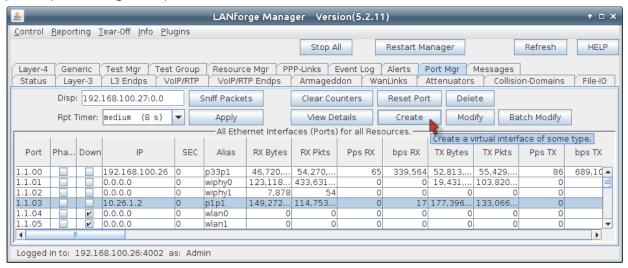
## Goal: Create a series of MAC-VLAN based clients to emulate CIFS and NFS traffic.

This cookbook connects a LANforge system to a file server with CIFS and NFS shares available. The file server in this example will be 10.26.1.3. It will be sharing smb://10.26.1.3/fileio and 10.26.1.3:/home/fileio. We will create ten readers and ten writers for each file sharing protocol. This demonstrates using the **Batch Create** tool in the **FileIO** tab.

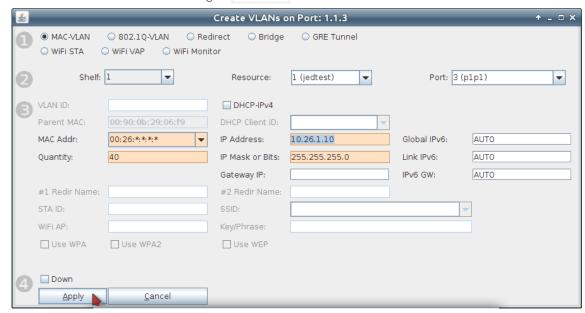




1. Create initial MAC VLANS for our emulated endpoints. In the **Port Mgr** tab, highlight a a **non-management** port on your LANforge FIRE system and click **Create**.

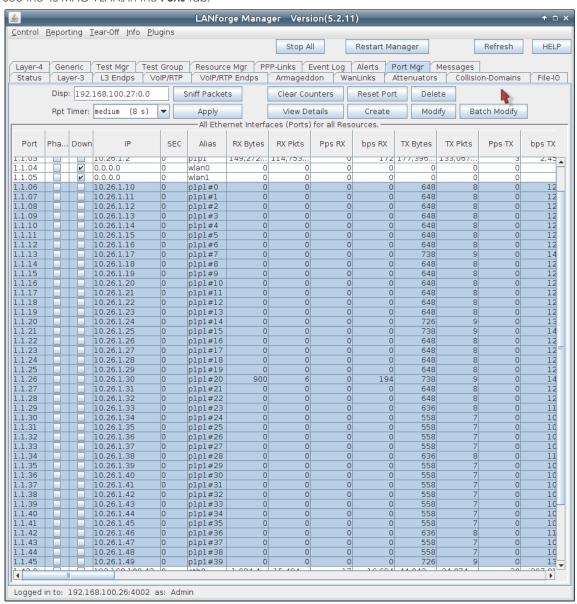


A. Create 40 MAC VLANS with IPs starting at 10.26.1.10.



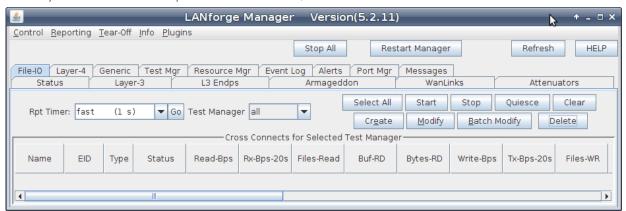
- A. Select MAC-VLAN
- B. Choose either \*:\*:\*:\*: (random) or select a starting MAC address, like 00:26:\*:\*:\*:
- C. Enter 10.26.1.10 and 255.255.255.0 for the IP and netmask.
- D. Set **Quantity** to 40.
- E. Click **Apply** to create the MAC VLANs.
- F. Click Cancel to close the Create window.

B. See the 40 MAC VLANs in the Ports tab.

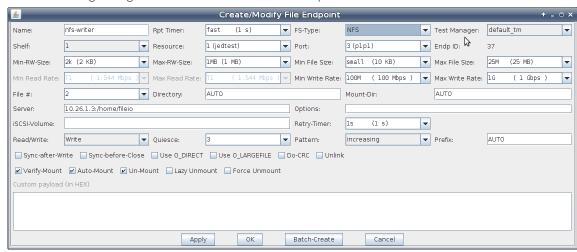


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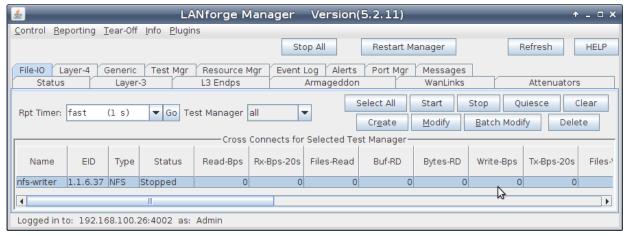
2. Create your first FileIO NFS Endpoint. In the FileIO tab, click Create.



A. Use the following settings to create a NFS reader writer endpoint.



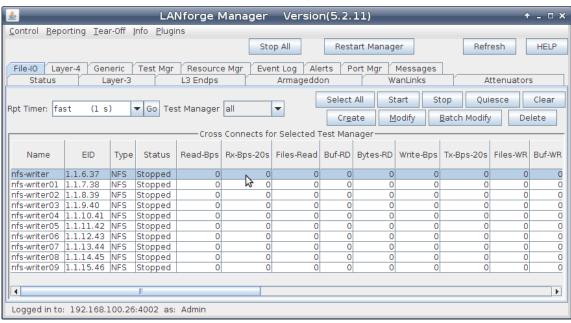
- A. Enter nfs-writer for the name.
- B. Select NFS for FS-Type
- C. Use the first MAC-VLAN p1p1#0 for Port
- D. Select 2KB for the Min-RW Size
- E. Choose 1MB for the Max-RW Size
- F. For Min File Size choose 10KB
- G. Then for Max File Size choose 25MB
- H. The Min Write Rate is the minimum inbound line rate, start at 100Mbps
- I. Then set the Max Write Rate at 1Gbps
- J. Set the number of files written per connection: set File # to 2
- K. Now we specify the NFS server: set Server to 10.26.1.3:/home/fileio
- L. You can leave **Directory**, and **Mount-Dir** at AUTO
- M. Click **OK** to commit the settings.
- 3. In the File-IO tab, select the endpoint you just created and click Modify



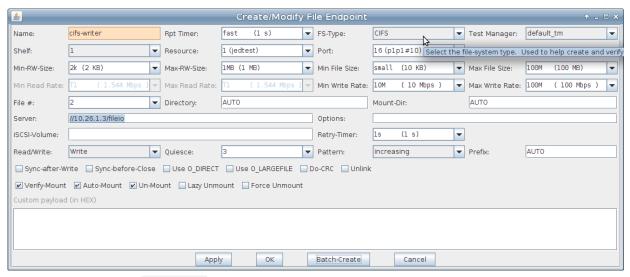
A. The File-IO Details dialog appears. Click the Batch Create button at the bottom of the screen.



- B. Enter these values into the Batch Create dialog:
  - A. Quantity should be 9
  - B. Number of Digits should be 2
  - C. Click Apply
- C. Close the Batch Create window. You will see the new endpoints.



4. Create initial endpoint for CIFS writer.

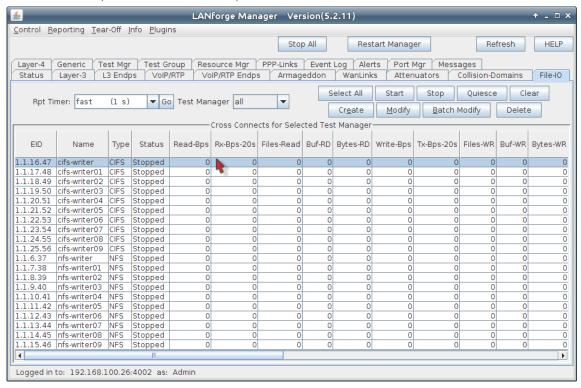


- A. Name the endoint cifs-writer
- B. Set **FS-Type** to CIFS
- C. Then set the **Port** to the next open MAC VLAN: p1p1#10
- D. Set the Min-RW Size and Max-RW Size to 2k and 1M
- E. For the Min File Size and Max File Size enter 10KB and 100MB
- F. The Min Write Rate and the Max Write Rate should be 10 Mbps and 100 Mbps
- G. Enter //10.26.1.3/fileio for Server
- H. Supply the credentials for the CIFS mount point in **Options**. For this example, our username and password are 'lanforge' and 'lanforge'. Write them as options to the *mount* command: user=lanforge,passwd=lanforge
- I. Click Apply
- 5. Use Batch Create to create nine more CIFS endpoints. You do not actually need to close the **Create/Modify** window. Click on **Batch Create** directly.
  - A. In the **Batch Create** window, Enter:

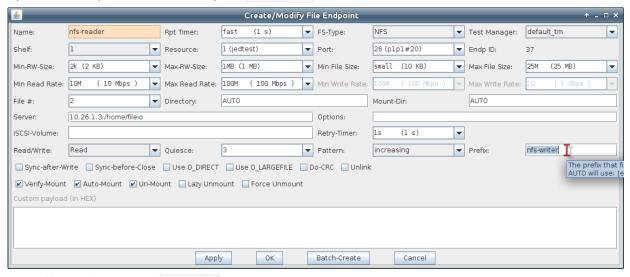


- A. Quantity is 9
- B. Number of Digits is 2
- C. Then click Apply

- B. In Create/Modify click Cancel
- C. In the File-IO tab, you will see ten more endpoints.

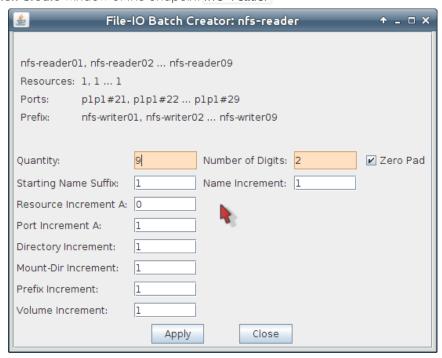


- 6. We will proceed to creating the same number of **NFS reader endpoints** by using a writer as a template for a reader:
- 7. Open the Modify window of the endpoint nfs-writer

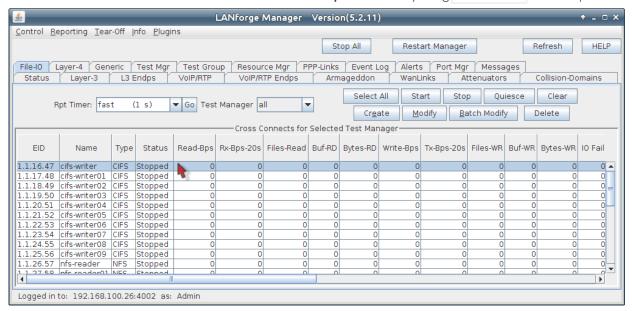


- A. Change the Name to nfs-reader
- B. Set the **Port** to the next unused MAC VLAN, p1p1#20
- C. Change Read/Write to Read
- D. Set the  $Min\ Read\ Rate$  and  $Max\ Read\ Rate$  to 10 Mbps and 100 Mbps
- E. To match this reader to a writer, set the **Prefix** field to **nfs-writer**
- F. Click Apply
- 8. Before closing the Modify windows we can use Batch Create to create nine more NFS endpoints:

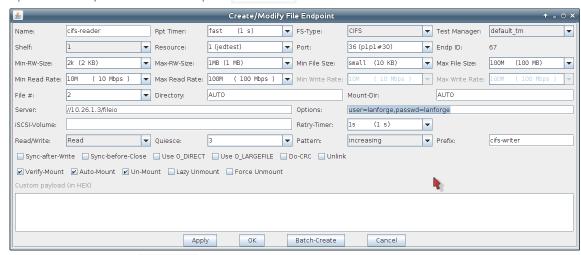
9. Click on the Batch Create window of the endpoint nfs-reader



- A. Change the Quantity to 9
- B. Set the **Number of Digits** to 2
- C. Click Apply
- D. Click Close
- E. In the Modify window, click Cancel
- 10. And we now create the same number of CIFS reader endpoints. Start by using cifs-writer as a template:



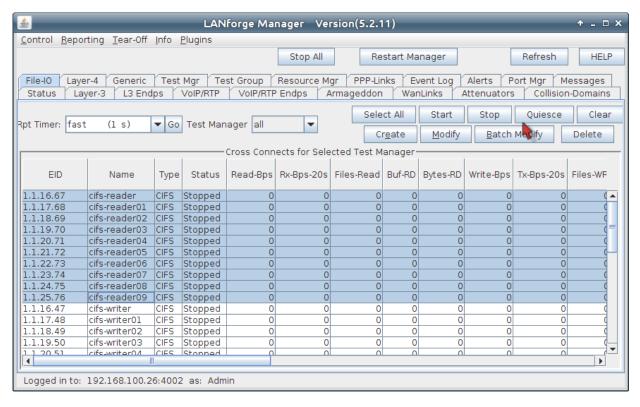
A. Open the Modify window of the endpoint cifs-writer



- A. Change the Name to cifs-reader
- B. Set the **Port** to the next unused MAC VLAN, p1p1#30
- C. Change Read/Write to Read
- D. Set the Min Read Rate and Max Read Rate to 10 Mbps and 100 Mbps
- E. To match this reader to a writer, set the Prefix field to cifs-writer
- F. Supply the credentials for the CIFS mount point in **Options**. For this example, our username and password are 'lanforge' and 'lanforge'. Write them as options to the *mount* command: user=lanforge, passwd=lanforge
- G. Click Apply
- B. Before closing the Modify windows we can use Batch Create to create nine more CIFS reader endpoints:
- C. Click on the Batch Create window of the endpoint cifs-reader

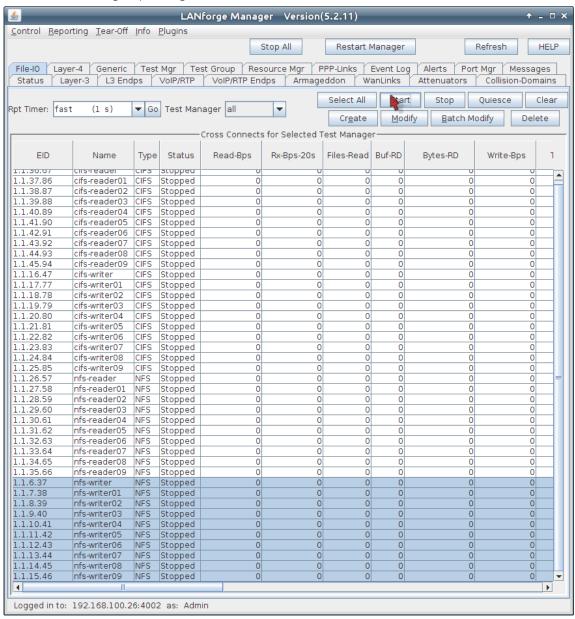


- A. Change the Quantity to 9
- B. Set the **Number of Digits** to 2
- C. Click Apply
- D. Click Close
- E. In the  ${\bf Modify}$  window, click  ${\bf Cancel}$
- 11. In the File-IO tab, we see our newly created reader endpoints.



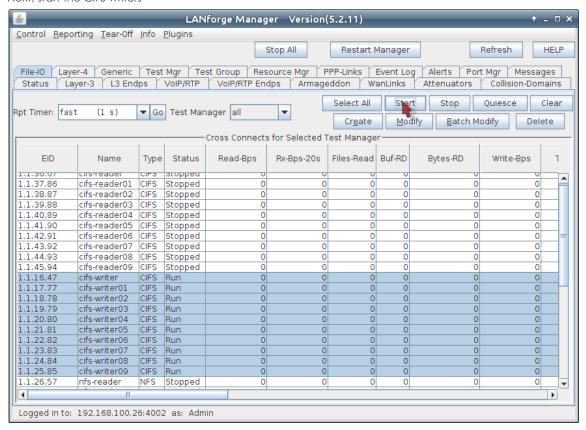
12. Start the reader/writer testing.

A. In the File-IO tab, begin by starting the NFS writers

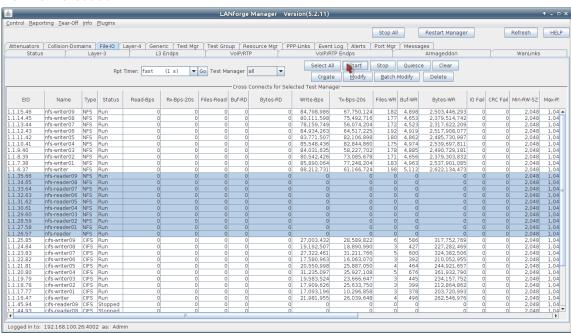


- A. Click on the Name column header to sort the rows of readers and writers
- B. You can use control-left-click and drag to select the group of writers
- C. Click the Start button at the top.

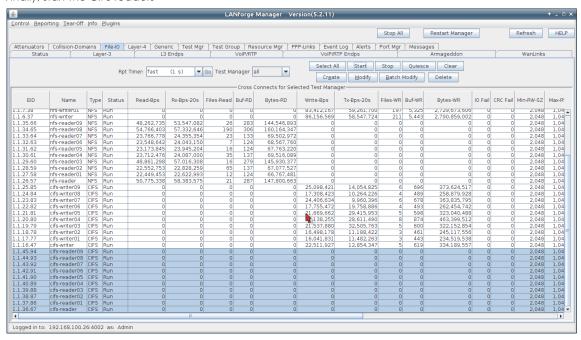
### B. Next, start the CIFS writers



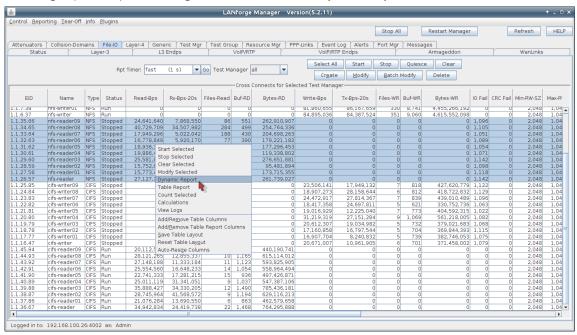
#### C. Then the NFS readers



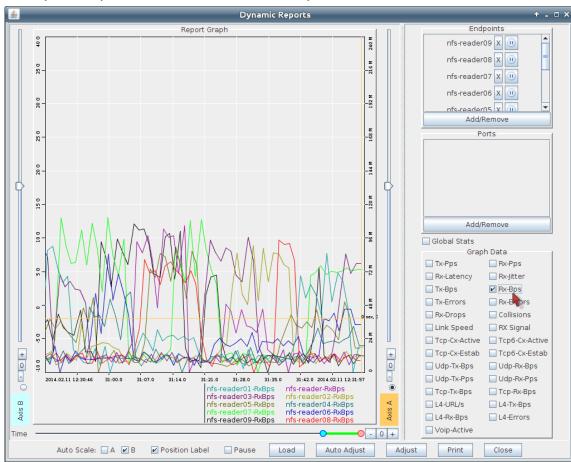
D. Finally, start the CIFS readers



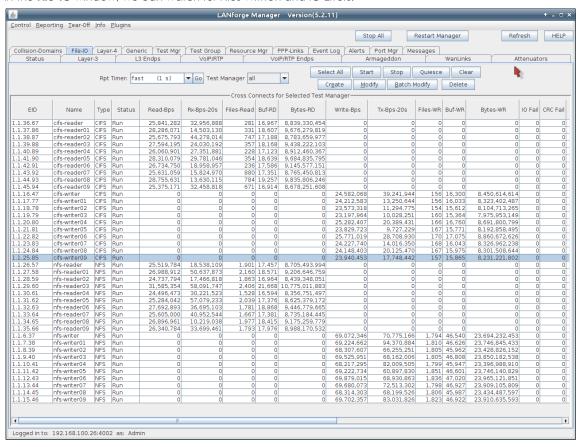
- 13. We can inspect the traffic in the Dynamic Report window and the File-IO tab:
  - A. Select a group of endpoints and right click on them, select Dynamic Report



B. In the Dynamic Report window, select the checkbox Rx-Bps



C. In the File-IO window, we can watch for Files Written and IO Errors:



## Advanced File-IO Tunings

- 15. Tuning network card ring-buffers
  - A. Network cards often have tunable memory buffers that can be modified using ethtool
  - B. Read the available capacities using ethtool -g eth1
  - C. Adjust the tx and rx parameters using ethtool -G eth1 tx 4096 rx 4096
  - D. This feature depends on the card driver and system state. Not all cards are tunable.
  - E. The efficacy of this technique is difficult to measure, but is some manufacturer's websites show this step being done in their white papers.
- 16. Matching buffer sizes to negotiated transfer size
  - A. NFS mount parameters can be inspected using either of two commands:
  - B. mount | grep nfs Or grep nfs /proc/mounts
  - C. Notice the *rsize* and *wsize* parameters might not match your request values in the Modify Properties box for the mount point.
  - D. Setting your Min/Max Read and Min/Max Write sizes to these negotiated values will maximize efficiency by reducing memcpy activity in the kernel.
- 17. Tuning TCP window sizes
  - A. While you can modify Layer 3 TCP window size and buffers, you cannot directly change those settings using the LANforge GUI for the system. This Discussion on NFS4 performance is worth a read.
  - B. The commands below are suggested to increase your buffer sizes to 8-16 megabytes:

```
sysct1 net.core.rmem_default=8388608
sysct1 net.core.rmem_max=16777216
sysct1 net.core.wmem_default=8388608
sysct1 net.core.wmem_max=16777216
```

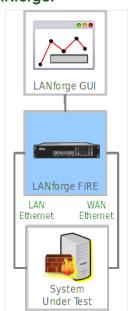
# <u>Providing HTTP Service on a Port</u>

## Goal: Configure and activate a http server bound to a specific port in LANforge.

This is useful if you want to provide an application layer target to interact with. This cookbook assumes you can access a shell prompt on the LANforge computer: the command-line instructions can be done at the system console, in a terminal over a remote desktop connection, or over ssh. The nginx service is only available on the Linux version of LANforge server.

**Note:** There are two web servers installed in a LANforge computer. The default web server is a stock version of Apache HTTPD that responds to all port 80 requests on all interfaces. For testing we recommend running Candela Technologies' version of Nginx on specific ports as covered in this cookbook. In contrast, Apache cannot bind to a network-device therefore we do not suggest running it.

Nginx can also be configured to listen to IPv6 traffic. Jump to the end of the cookbook for that technique.



- 1. Stop and disable LANforge system Apache instance.
  - A. Log into the LANforge computer as user lanforge

```
jreynolds@jed-shuttle:~- Terminal

jreynolds@jed-shuttle ~

> ssh lanforge@192.168.100.40
```

B. Become super-user using the command su - (or sudo -s)

```
root@jed-f20:/home/lanforge - Terminal

[lanforge@jed-f20 ~]$ sudo -s
[root@jed-f20 lanforge]#
```

C. Stop the Apache service with systemct1 stop httpd

```
root@jed-f20:/home/lanforge - Terminal

[root@jed-f20 lanforge]# systemctl stop httpd
[root@jed-f20 lanforge]#
```

D. If you want this setting to persist after a reboot, disable the service: systemctl disable httpd

```
root@jed-f20:/home/lanforge - Terminal

[root@jed-f20 lanforge]# systemctl stop httpd
[root@jed-f20 lanforge]# systemctl disable httpd
rm '/etc/systemd/system/multi-user.target.wants/httpd.service'
[root@jed-f20 lanforge]#
```

E. Set this as system default with: systemct1 daemon-reload

```
root@jed-f20:/home/lanforge - Terminal

[root@jed-f20 lanforge]# systemctl stop httpd
[root@jed-f20 lanforge]# systemctl disable httpd
rm '/etc/systemd/system/multi-user.target.wants/httpd.service'
[root@jed-f20 lanforge]# systemctl daemon-reload
[root@jed-f20 lanforge]#
```

2. (Optional) There are other options for running Apache if you want to have both web servers available. You

would not need stop and disable Apache, just restart it. You can change Apache to:

A. ...listen to a different port (like 81). Edit /etc/httpd/conf/httpd.conf and change the Listen option.



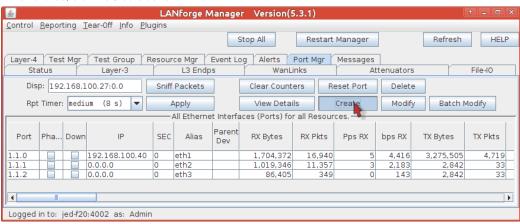
B. ...bind to a specific IP address, which is a good option if you configure the LANforge computer to have a fixed IP address on the management port. You would edit httpd.conf and change Listen to that specific IP address and port 80. Example: Listen 192.168.1.40:80



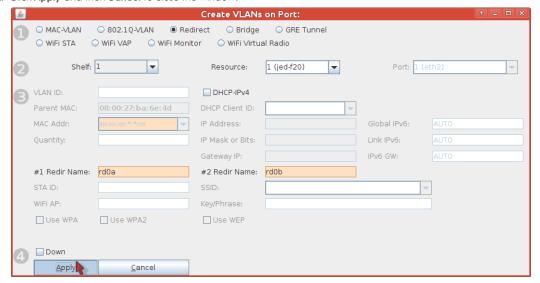
3. The demonstration test we'll create is making two ports, one for making requests and the other one for serving the protocol. Let's create two ports:

### A. Create a redirect device:

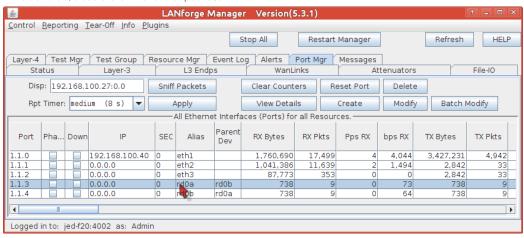
A. In the Ports tab, click the Create button



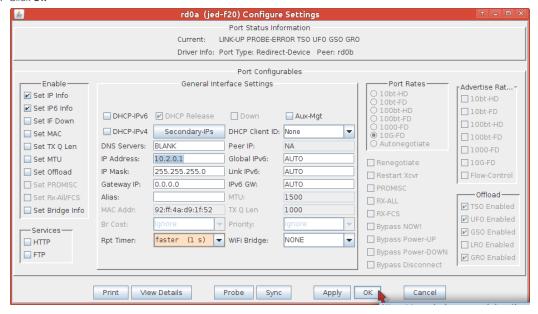
- B. Select Redirect
- C. Enter rd0a for #1 Redir name,
- D. and rd0b for #2 Redir name.
- E. Click **Apply** and then **Cancel** to close the window.



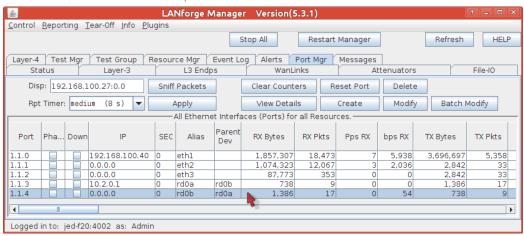
- B. Configure rd0a as the service port:
  - A. In the *Ports* tab, double-click the row for port**rd0a**



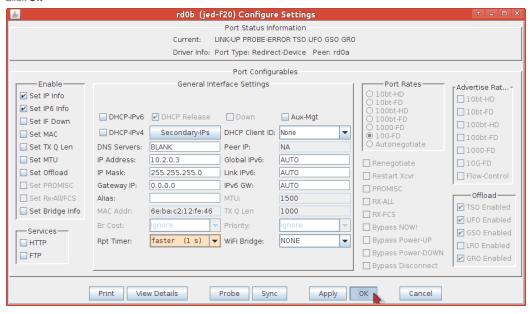
- B. The Configure Settings window will appear
- C. Set an IP of 10.2.0.1,
- D. a netmask of 255.255.255.0
- E. and the report time to faster (1 s).
- F. Click **OK**



- C. Configure rd0b as a client port
  - A. In the *Ports* tab, double-click the row for port**rd0b**

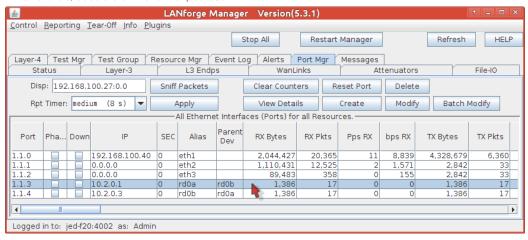


- B. The Configure Settings window will appear
- C. Set an IP of 10.2.0.3,
- D. a netmask of 255.255.255.0
- E. and the report time to faster (1 s).
- F. Click **OK**

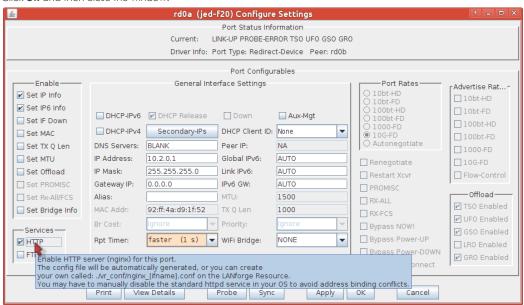


4. Enable HTTP service on your upstream port using the following steps.

- A. Enable the nginx service on port rd0a:
  - A. In the Ports tab, double-click the row for portrd0a



- B. The Configure Settings window will appear
- C. In the lower left column of the window, enable HTTP option.
- D. Click **OK** and then close the window.



- B. *(Optional)* Modify the nginx config file for port **rd0a**. This example assumes you are logged into the LANforge system console, or have connected to the desktop using a remote-desktop client like *vncviewer*. If you are familiar with editing from the command-line, you will likely know how to do this via *ssh*.
  - A. From the desktop Accessories menu, select Terminal Emulator,
  - B. Change to the LANforge nginx directory: cd /home/lanforge/vr\_conf

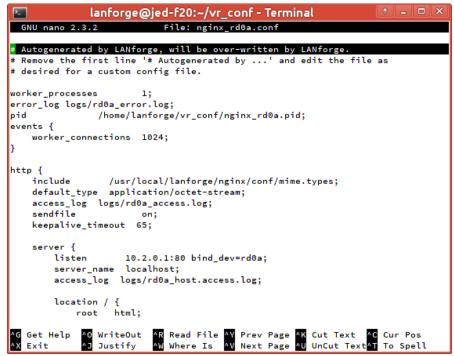
C. Edit the file nginx\_rd0a.conf. If you do not see the file, you might have connected to the wrong LANforge resource, or you might not have clicked OK/Apply when enabling the *Configure Settings* window for port rd0a.



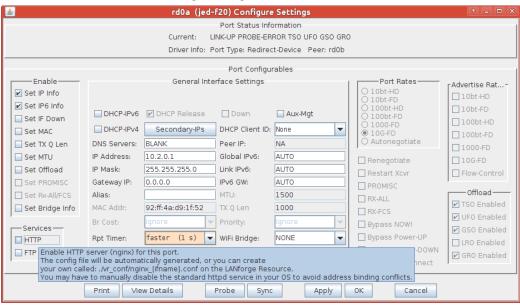
D. You will see that the *listen* directive is already set to 10.2.0.1:80 bind\_dev=rd0a;

```
lanforge@jed-f20:~/vr_conf - Terminal
                                 File: nginx_rd0a.conf
# Autogenerated by LANforge, will be over-written by LANforge.
# Remove the first line '# Autogenerated by ...' and edit the file as
# desired for a custom config file.
worker_processes
error_log logs/rd0a_error.log;
pid
                  /home/lanforge/vr_conf/nginx_rd0a.pid;
events {
     worker_connections 1024;
http {
                     /usr/local/lanforge/nginx/conf/mime.types;
     include
     default_type application/octet-stream;
     access_log logs/rd0a_access.log;
     sendfile
                           on:
     keepalive_timeout 65;
     server {
                        10.2.0.1:80 bind_dev=rd0a;
         listen
         server_name localhost;
access_log logs/rd0a_host.access.log;
          location / {
              root html;
   Get Help ^O WriteOut
Exit ^J Justify
                               ^R Read File AY Prev Page ^K Cut Text ^C Cur Pos
^W Where Is AV Next Page ^U UnCut Text^T To Spell
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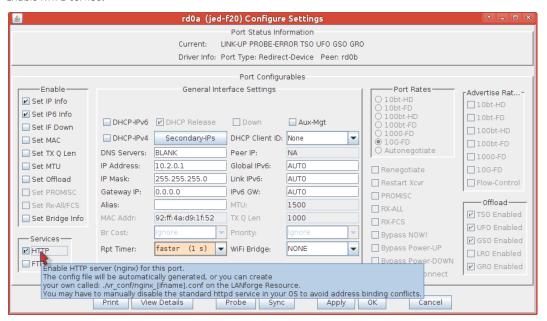
E. If you want to change settings, delete the first line of the config file as part of your changes. This will signal LANforge not to overwrite the file.



- C. To apply the changes to the nginx service on this port:
  - A. Disable the HTTPD service in the rd0a Configure Settings window,



- B. Click the Apply button,
- C. Enable HTTPD service,



- D. Click the **Apply** button,
- E. Click the Cancel button to close the window if you are done.

- D. A quick way to add a file into the nginx document root folder is to symlink the system dictionary there. You will need to be in a terminal or unix shell of the resource running nginx (192.168.100.40 in this example)
  - A. Change the ownership of the document root directory to userlanforge:
  - B. sudo chown lanforge:lanforge /usr/local/lanforge/nginx/html



C. cd /usr/local/lanforge/nginx/html

```
lanforge@jed-f20:/usr/local/lanforge/nginx/html - Terminal
[lanforge@jed-f20 ~]$ sudo chown lanforge:lanforge /usr/local/lanforge/nginx/html
[lanforge@jed-f20 ~]$ cd /usr/local/lanforge/nginx/html/
[lanforge@jed-f20 html]$
```

D. ln -s /usr/share/dict/linux.words .

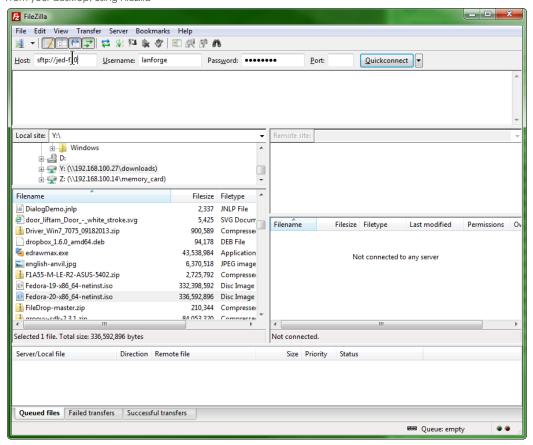
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lanforge@jed-f20:/usr/local/lanforge/nginx/html - Terminal

[lanforge@jed-f20 ~]$ sudo chown lanforge:lanforge /usr/local/lanforge/nginx/html
[lanforge@jed-f20 ~]$ cd /usr/local/lanforge/nginx/html/
[lanforge@jed-f20 html]$ ln -s /usr/share/dict/linux.words .

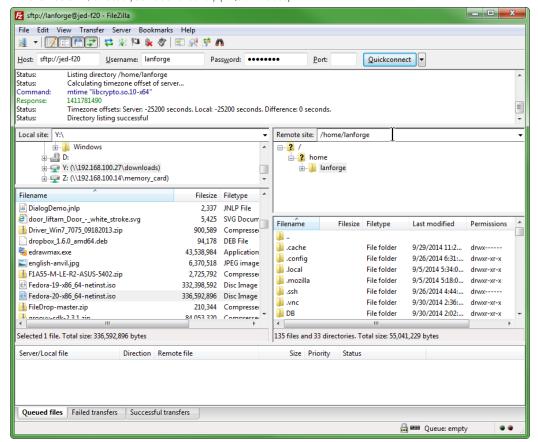
[lanforge@jed-f20 html]$
```

E. *(Optional)* To load a larger payload (such as a DVD file), you can use Filezilla (or scp) to copy the file over. You will want to have changed the nginx document root directory owner to lanforge (as above):

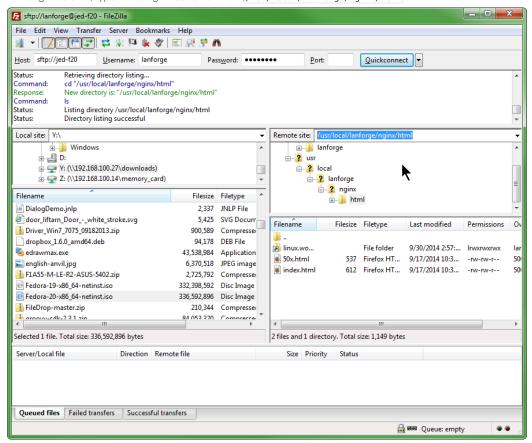
A. From your desktop, using Filezilla



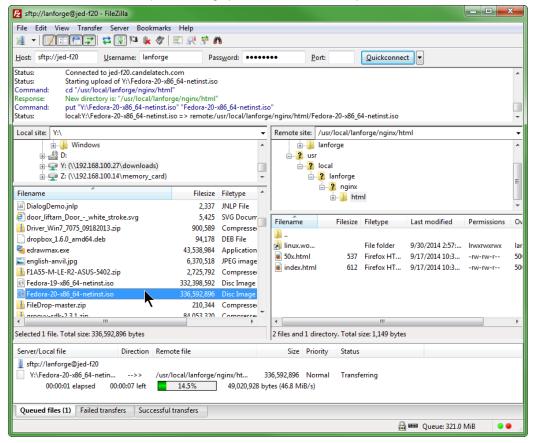
- I. quick connect to sftp://192.168.100.40 (also named jed-f20 in this example)
- II. using username lanforge and password lanforge
- B. In the left column, choose your local directory (Y:\downloads)



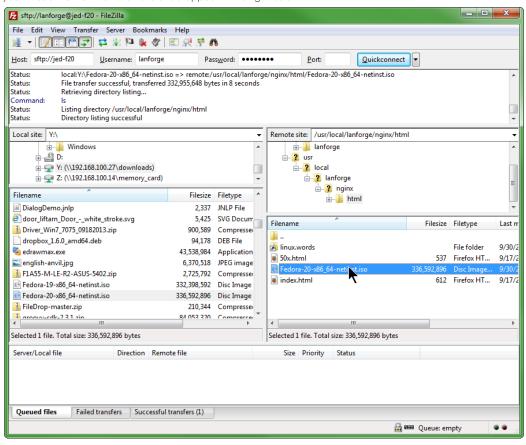
C. In the right column, type in the nginx document root, /usr/local/lanforge/nginx/html and hit enter



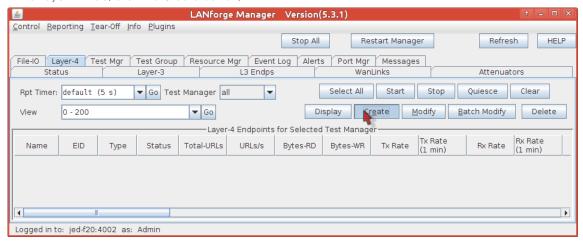
D. In the left column, double-click your DVD image (Fedora-20-x86\_64.netinst.iso)



E. you will see the file when it is transferred appear in the right column

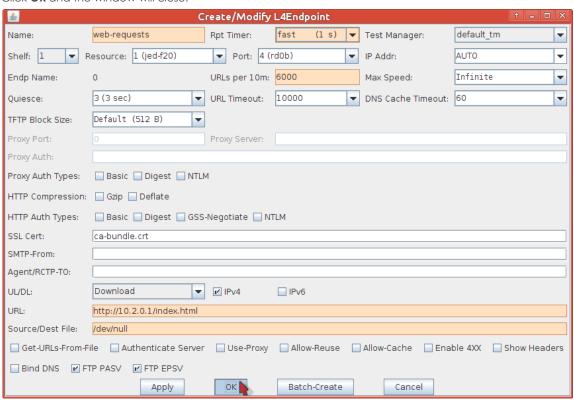


- 5. Configure application-layer traffic using the Layer 4-7 tab tools:
  - A. In the Layer 4-7 tab, click the Create button,

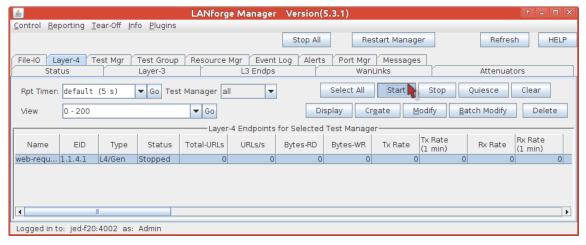


- B. You will see the Create/Modify L4Endpoint window
- C. Create a connection named web-requests,
- D. With a Report timer of fast (1 s)
- E. from Resource (jed-f20) port rd0b.
- F. Let's make ten requests a second. Enter 6000 for URLs per 10m.
- G. Jump down to the *URL* field, and enter <a href="http://10.2.0.1/index.html">http://10.2.0.1/index.html</a>
- H. and to avoid saving the result, set the Dest File to /dev/null

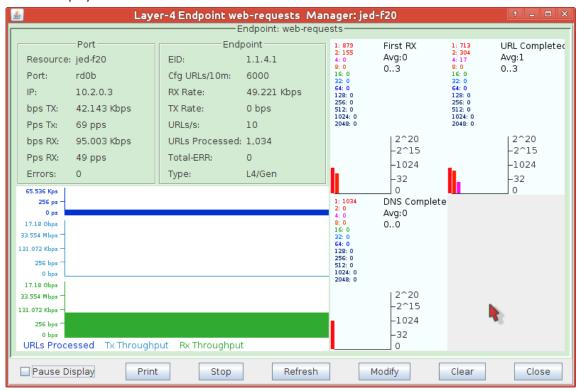
I. Click **OK** and the window will close.



- 6. Running the traffic is simple:
  - A. Select the row named web-requests in the Layer 4-7 table,
  - B. Click the **Start** button.



C. Click the **Display** button to see more detail on the traffic:



- 7. It is also possible to verify your connection setup from the command-line:
  - A. To verify the Layer 3 connection, you can use ping:

ping -I 10.2.0.3 10.2.0.1

B. To see that nginx is listening on port 80, use netstat on the resource running nginx and see what is listening on port 80:

sudo netstat -ntlp | grep ':80'

lanforge@jed-f20:/usr/local/lanforge/nginx/html - Terminal

[lanforge@jed-f20 html]\$ sudo netstat -ntlp | grep ':80'
tcp 0 0 10.2.0.1:80 0.0.0.0:\* LISTEN 5034/nginx: master
[lanforge@jed-f20 html]\$

C. To see the output of the web request, you can use LANforge's version of *curl* located in /home/lanforge/local/bin/curl. Since it uses bundled libraries, first type:

cd /home/lanforge && . ./lanforge.profile

This sets up all environment variables and paths to work with the binaries and libraries shipped with LANforge.



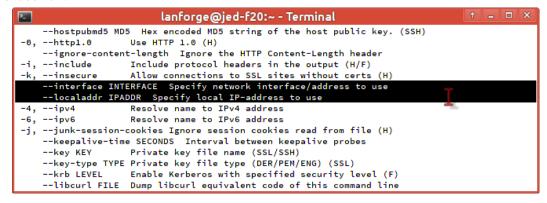
D. Verify it runs without complaint:

/home/lanforge/local/bin/curl --help

```
lanforge@jed-f20:~ - Terminal
-T, --upload-file FILE Transfer FILE to destination
     --url URL
                     URL to work with
-B, --use-ascii
                     Use ASCII/text transfer
-u, --user USER[:PASSWORD] Server user and password
     --tlsuser USER TLS username
     --tlspassword STRING TLS password
     --tlsauthtype STRING TLS authentication type (default SRP)
-A, --user-agent STRING User-Agent to send to server (H)
-v, --verbose
                    Make the operation more talkative
-V, --version
                     Show version number and quit
    --write-out FORMAT What to output after completion
                    Store metadata in extended file attributes
If_used as the first parameter disables .curlro
     --xattr
[lanforge@jed-f20 ~]$
```

E. If you scroll up in your terminal, you will see options available in the output not found in a normal version of curl, like

--dns\_server, --dns\_interface, --dns\_ip4\_addr, --dns\_ip6\_addr, --interface and --localaddr. We will use --interface next.



F. Craft your download command: cd /home/lanforge/local/bin

./curl --interface 10.2.0.3 'http://10.2.0.1/index.html'

```
lanforge@jed-f20:~/local/bin - Terminal

[lanforge@jed-f20 ~]$ cd /home/lanforge/local/bin
[lanforge@jed-f20 bin]$ ./curl --interface 10.2.0.3 'http://10.2.0.1/index.html
```

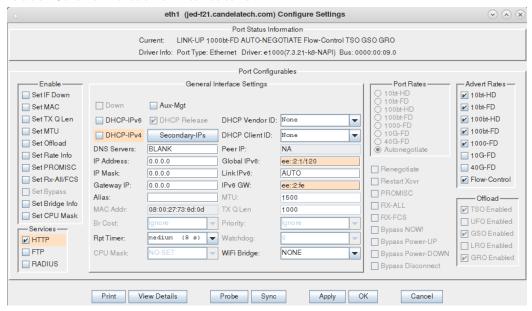
G. You will see the html output in the terminal:

```
lanforge@jed-f20:~/local/bin - Terminal
[lanforge@jed-f20 ~]$ cd /home/lanforge/local/bin
[lanforge@jed-f20 bin]$ ./curl --interface 10.2.0.3 'http://10.2.0.1/index.html'
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<head>
<title>Welcome to nginx!</title>
<style>
    body {
width: 35em;
        margin: 0 auto;
        font-family: Tahoma, Verdana, Arial, sans-serif;
</style>
</head>
<body>
<h1>Welcome to nginx!</h1>
(p>If you see this page, the nginx web server is successfully installed and
working. Further configuration is required.
For online documentation and support please refer to
<a href="http://nginx.org/">nginx.org</a>.<br/>
Commercial support is available at
<a href="http://nginx.com/">nginx.com</a>.
<em>Thank you for using nginx.</em>
</html>
[lanforge@jed-f20 bin]$
```

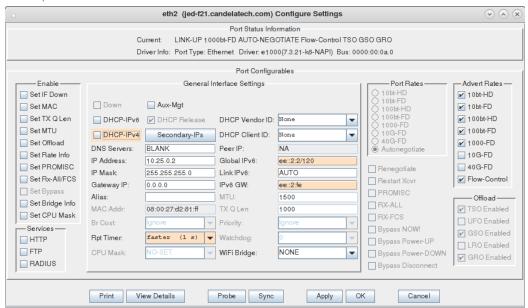
H. There will be a record of connections and errors in the nginx logs directory: cd /usr/local/lanforge/nginx/logs

- 8. [Advanced] Creating IPv6 traffic to nginx. We will assume a scenario where eth1 will serve nginx requests and eth2 will generate requests.
  - A. Add IPv6 addresses to your ports. We will add
    - ee::2:1/120 for eth1,
    - ee::2:2/120 for eth2,
    - and set the gateways for them to ee::2:fe. We won't actually use a gateway, but our port configuration requires it.

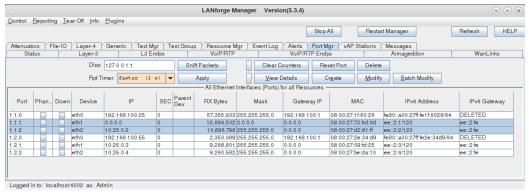
A. Here is eth1, and we will enable the HTTP service as well.



B. Here is eth2, notice how we added an IPv4 address to the port. Do that so that the Create Layer 4-7 dialog does not complain.



C. Here is a picture of the Port Mgr tab, with ports on two resources configured.

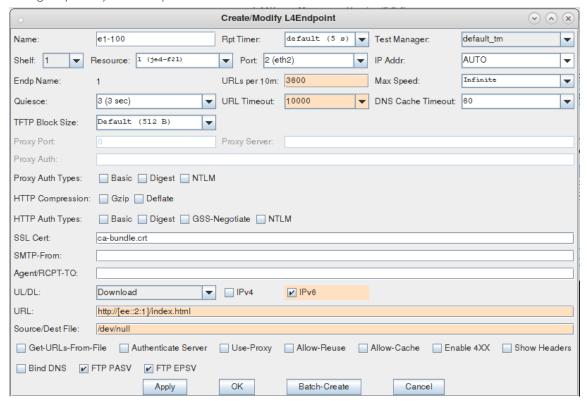


D. Verify your connection between ports using ping6: \$ ping6 -I ee::2:2%eth2 ee::2:1

B. Edit your /home/lanforge/vr\_conf/nginx\_eth1.conf file. You will remove the header comment and alter the listen statements to include IPv6 addresses. You can listen for [::] or you could listen for [ee::2:1]

```
worker_processes
error_log logs/eth1_error.log;
                /home/lanforge/vr_conf/nginx_eth1.pid;
pid
events {
    worker_connections 1024;
http {
    include
                  /usr/local/lanforge/nginx/conf/mime.types;
    default_type application/octet-stream;
    access_log logs/eth1_access.log;
    sendfile
    keepalive_timeout
    server {
        listen
                     0.0.0.0:80 bind_dev=eth1;
                     [::]:80 bind_dev=eth1;
        listen
        server_name
                    ww6-eth1;
        access_log logs/eth1_host.access.log;
        location /
            root
                   html;
                  index.html index.htm;
            index
        error_page
                     500 502 503 504 /50x.html;
        location = /50x.html {
            root
                   html;
```

- C. If you provide an IPv6 address, please watch the nginx log file for errors: listening on an IPv6 address is easy to misconfigure. The log files can be found in /usr/local/lanforge/nginx/logs
- D. Re-start the http service on eth1 by un-checking HTTP, clicking Apply, checking HTTP, clicking OK.
- E. Configure your Layer 4-7 endpoint:



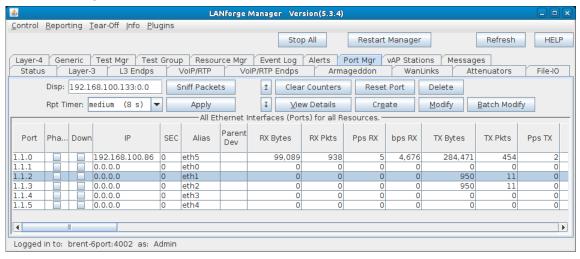
- A. Name your endpoint
- B. Set your URLs per Minute
- C. Specify the URL with brackes around the address: http://[ee::2:1]/index.html
- D. Set your output file to /dev/null
- F. You can watch traffic on eth1 or eth2 to verify the web requests.

# **Generating FTP Traffic Between Two Physical ports**

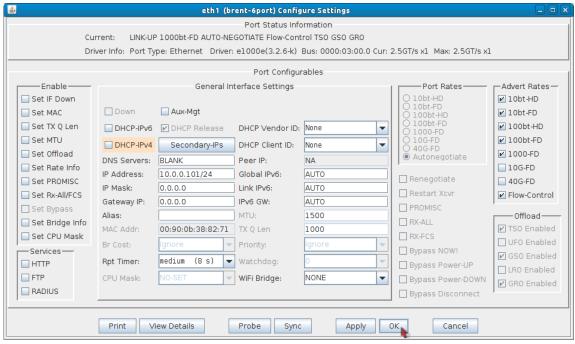
## Goal: Allow LANforge to simulate a FTP connection within the same system.

This scenario is useful if you wish to generate stateful FTP traffic between two physical ports using a single LANforge system. You will need two non-management physical ports connected to eachother with a loopback cable or switch.

- 1. Configure the physical interfaces. We will set up eth1 as a client and eth2 as a FTP server.
  - A. Go to the Port Mgr tab and select eth1.

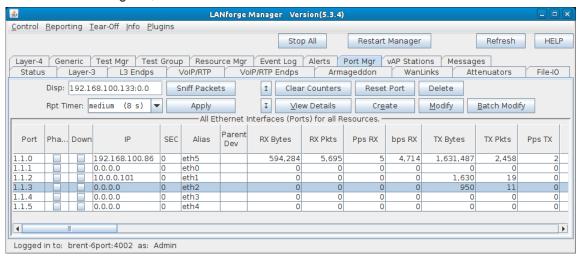


B. Click Modify to configure port eth1.

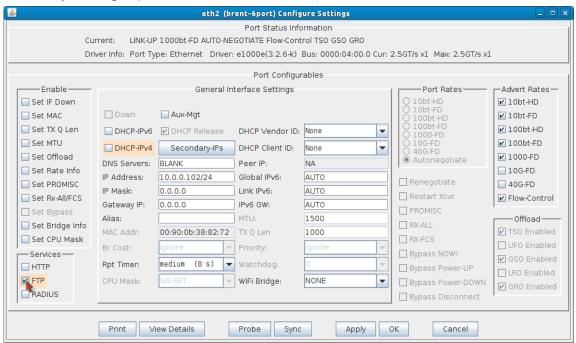


- A. Set the IP Address to 10.0.0.101/24.
- B. Click OK.

C. While still in the Port Mgr tab, select eth2.



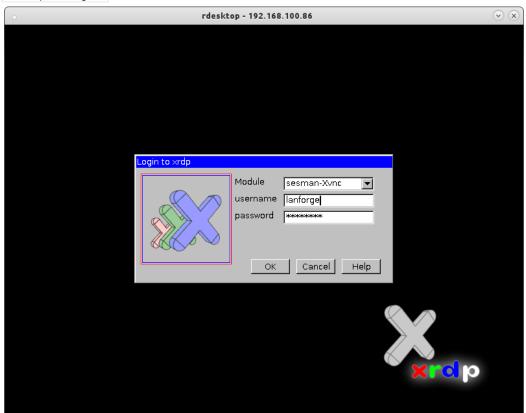
D. Click Modify to configure port eth2.



- A. Set the IP Address to 10.0.0.102/24.
- B. Enable FTP under Services.
- C. Click OK.
- 2. Create a file for the FTP client to download/upload. This is optional if you already have a file in mind to test with, just make sure the file is in /home/lanforge (the default directory for FTP). Step 3 explains how to upload a file from a Windows machine.

- A. First, you'll need to open a console on the LANforge system.
  - A. Log into the machine **directly** or remotely through **rdesktop**. The user/password should be **lanforge/lanforge** for both
  - B. To log in via **rdesktop** type the following command into a console (replace LANforge-IP with the IP of your LANforge system):

rdesktop LANforge-IP



- ${\sf C. \ Log\ in\ with\ user/password\ \ } \textbf{lanforge/lanforge}.$
- D. Once you are on the system, a console should already be open. If you don't see a console, go ahead and open one by clicking the console icon in the top menu bar (shown in the below screenshot).

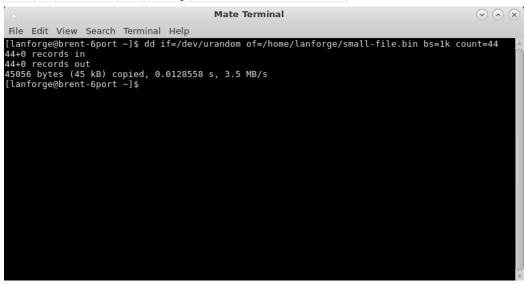


B. Once you have a console ready, use the below commands to create a small or large file. These files will just contain random text.

**Note:** These files will be created in the /home/lanforge directory. This is the default directory used for FTP on LANforge.

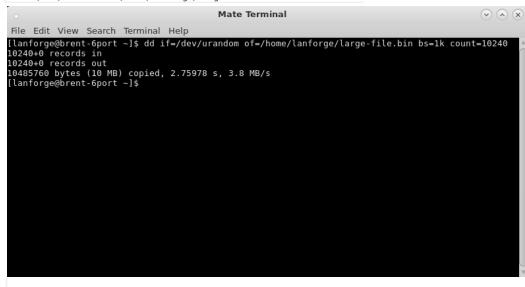
A. Small file (45 KB):

dd if=/dev/urandom of=/home/lanforge/small-file.bin bs=1k count=44

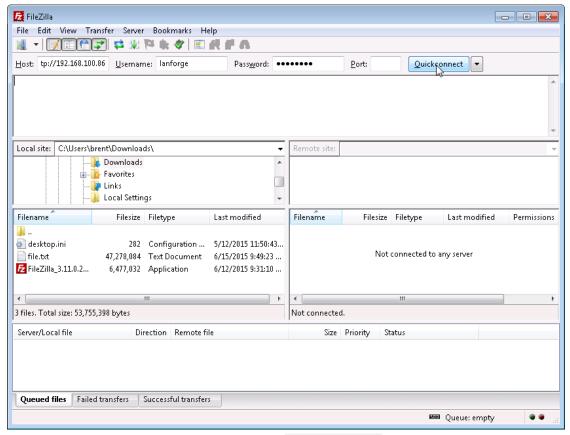


B. Large file (10 MB):

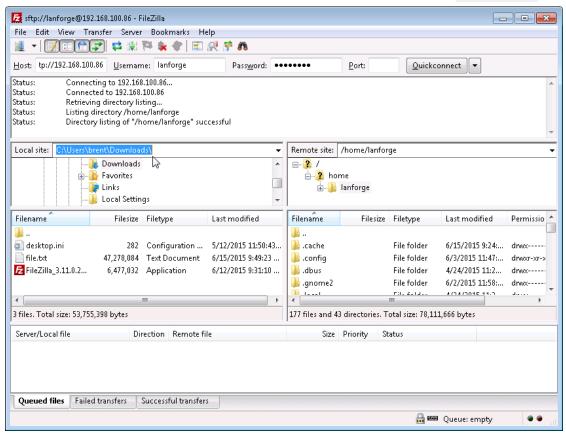
dd if=/dev/urandom of=/home/lanforge/large-file.bin bs=1k count=10240



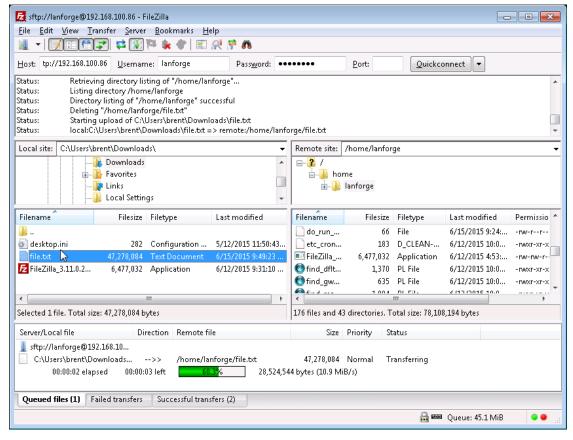
- 3. *Optional:* Upload a file to the LANforge system for the FTP client to download/upload. There are multiple ways to do this, this step will demonstrate the upload using a Windows machine with FileZilla.
  - A. On your Windows machine, download and install FileZilla. You can download the FileZilla client here: https://filezilla-project.org/download.php
  - B. Open FileZilla.



- A. Near the top left in the Host field, enter in the following: sftp://LANforge-IP (sftp://192.168.100.86 is used in this example).
- B. Username: lanforge Password: lanforge.
- C. Click Quickconnect.
- C. In the left column navigate to your file's directory. Make sure the right column is set to /home/lanforge



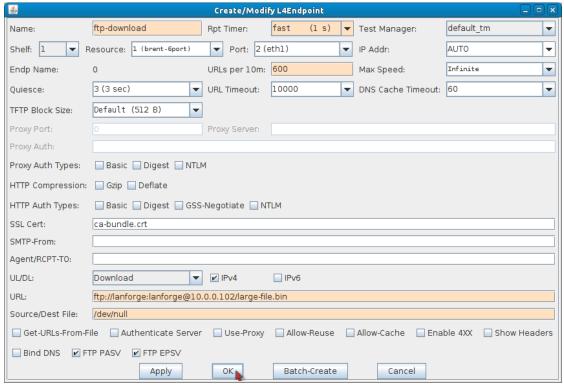
D. To start transferring your file, double click it in the left column. Once the transfer is complete make sure you can find it within the right column under /home/lanforge. Your file is now on the LANforge machine!



- 4. Create the FTP endpoint.
  - A. On the Layer 4-7 tab, click Create.



B. Configure the FTP endpoint.



- A. Name your endpoint ftp-download.
- B. Set Rpt Timer to fast (1 s)
- C. Set Port to eth1.
- D. Set URLs per 10m to 600 (1/sec).
  - I. Here is a list of common values used for URLS per 10m.

URLs per 10min	Converted
60	1/min
600	1/sec
6000	10/se c
60000	100/sec

E. To download the small file (44KB) created earlier, set**URL** to:

ftp://lanforge:lanforge@10.0.0.102/small-file.bin

To download the large file (10MB) created earlier, set **URL** to:

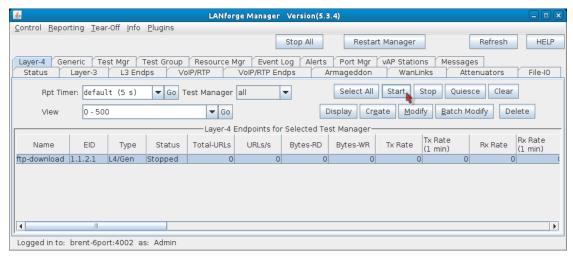
ftp://lanforge:lanforge@10.0.0.102/large-file.bin

**Note:** The default directory for FTP is /home/lanforge and the default username/password is lanforge/lanforge. All files downloaded/uploaded via FTP need to be in /home/lanforge.

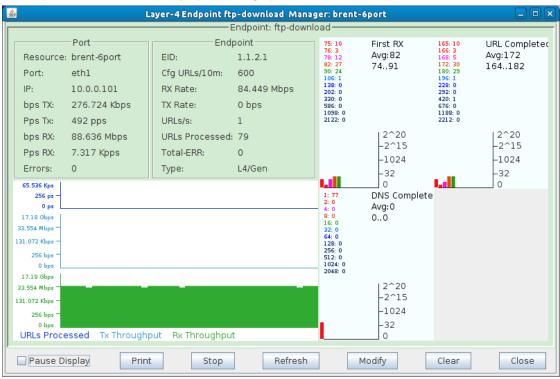
F. *Optional:* If you want to use another file in /home/lanforge you can just change the filename at the end of the URL.

For example ftp://lanforge:lanforge@10.0.0.102/large-file.bin would be changed to ftp://lanforge:lanforge@10.0.0.102/your-file-name

- G. Set Source/Dest File to /dev/null.
- H. Click OK.
- 5. Start the endpoint and display the graph.
  - A. In the Layer 4-7 tab, select the connection called ftp-download.
  - B. Click Start.

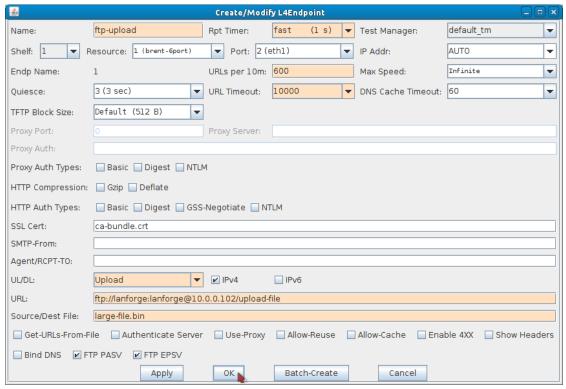


C. Select ftp-download and click Display to see a graph similar to below.

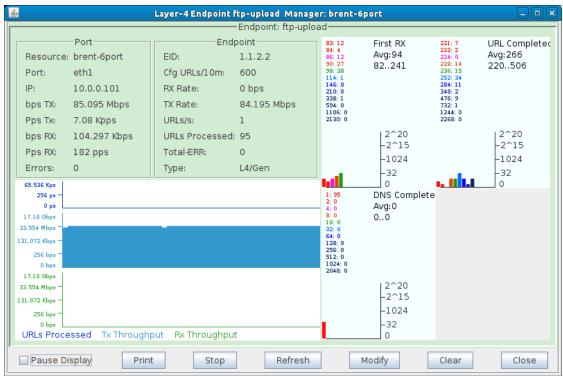


6. Uploading a file from the FTP client to the FTP server.

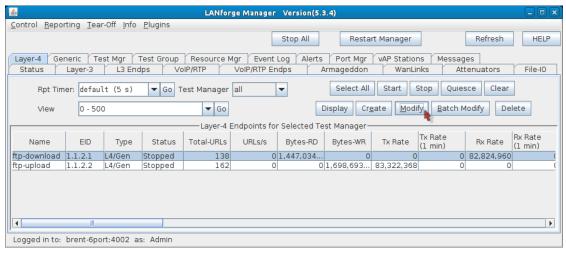
A. Go to the **Layer 4-7** tab and modify the **ftp-download** endpoint. The below changes will need to be made:



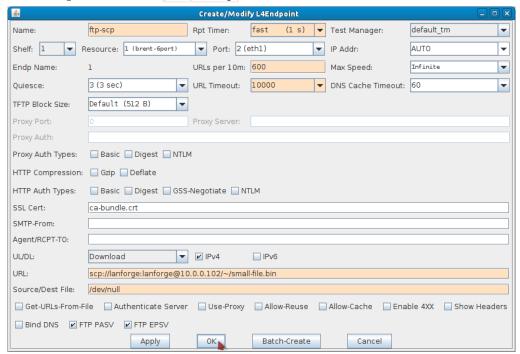
- A. Name to ftp-upload.
- B. UL/DL to Upload.
- C. URL to ftp://lanforge:lanforge@10.0.0.102/upload-file. The 'upload-file' filename in this link can be changed if needed.
- D. **Source/Dest File** to **large-file.bin**. This can be changed to a preferred file as long as it is ir **/home/lanforge** (the default FTP directory).
- E. Click **OK**.
- B. Select ftp-upload and click **Start**.
- C. This endpoint will now essentially upload the large-file.bin file in /home/lanforge to the same directory with a new file name (upload-file in this case). If you select ftp-upload in the Layer 4-7 tab and click Display, the graph should look similar to the one below.



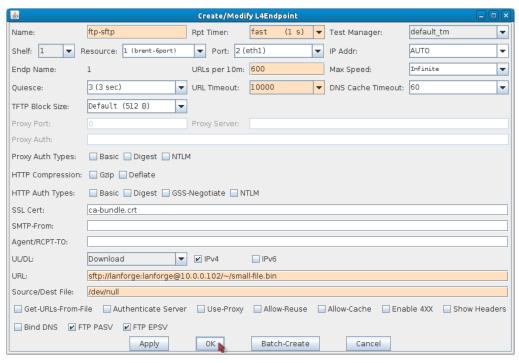
A. Go to the **Layer 4-7** tab and modify the **ftp-download** endpoint. The below changes will need to be made:



- A. Name to ftp-scp for scp or ftp-sftp for sftp.
- B. For SCP, set the URL to scp://lanforge:lanforge@10.0.0.102/~/small-file.bin. The filename at the end of the link can be changed to another file in /home/lanforge.

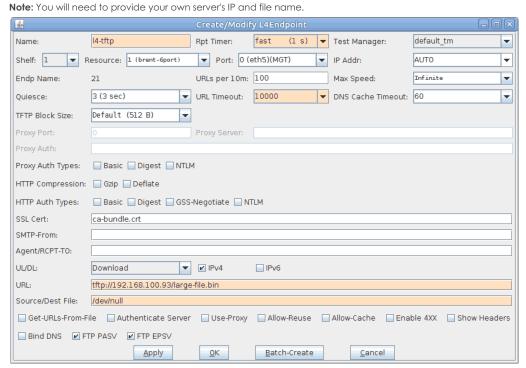


- C. Click OK.
- D. For **SFTP**, set the **URL** to **sftp://lanforge:lanforge@10.0.0.102/~/small-file.bin**. The filename at the end of the link can be changed to another file in **/home/lanforge**.



E. Click OK.

- B. Select the ftp-scp or ftp-sftp endpoint and click Start.
- C. To use **TFTP**, you will first need to have a TFTP server set up and configured to serve the Layer 4-7 endpoint a file.
  - A. Once the server is set up, use the below configuration to set up a TFTP endpoint.



- I. Set the **Port** to a port that can talk to the TFTP server. In this case the server was on the management network so eth0 was used.
- II. **URLs per 10m** was left at the default **100**, this can be set higher or lower depending on how often the file should be downloaded.
- III. Set URL to ttp://server-IP/filename.
- IV. Source/Dest File can be /dev/null.

# **Generating Table-based Reports**

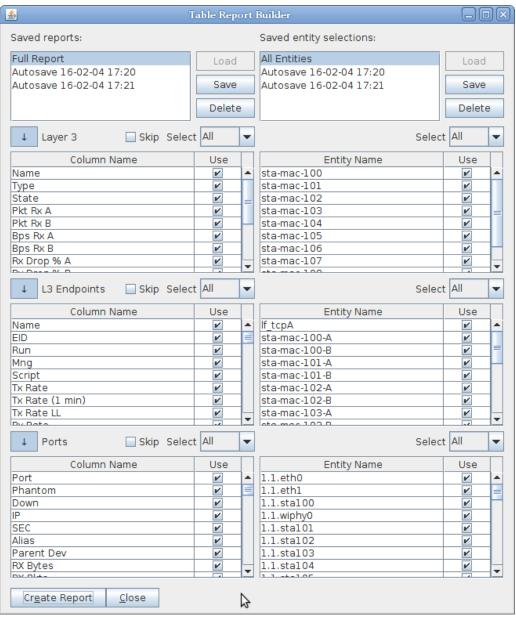
Goal: Learn how to generate reports that present the data found in the table views of the LANforge GUI.

We will use the **Reporting→Table Report Generator** tool to select rows and columns present from the LANforge GUI to create an HTML report. The individual rows and columns from the Ports, Layer-3 and L3-Endpoints windows can be selected. Feature appeares in release 5.3.3.

- 1. Begining a New Report
  - A. We start in the Reports menu, and choose the Table Report Generator

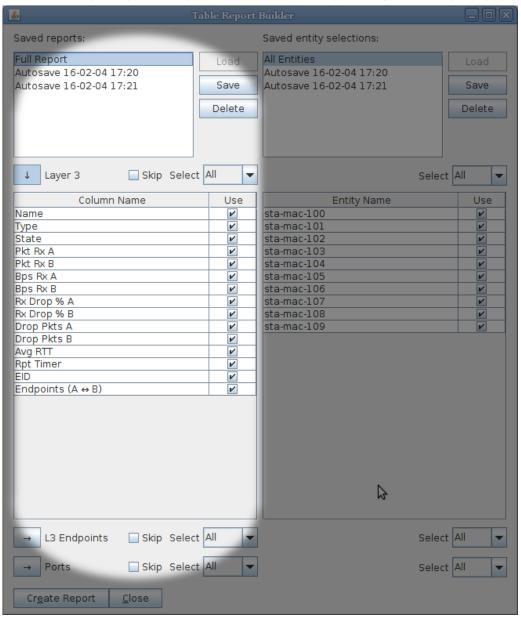


B. The report generator window appears. At the top are lists of previous saved settings. Below those are the selection tables for Layer 3, L3-Endpoints and Ports. The check-box indicates if the item will be included in the report.

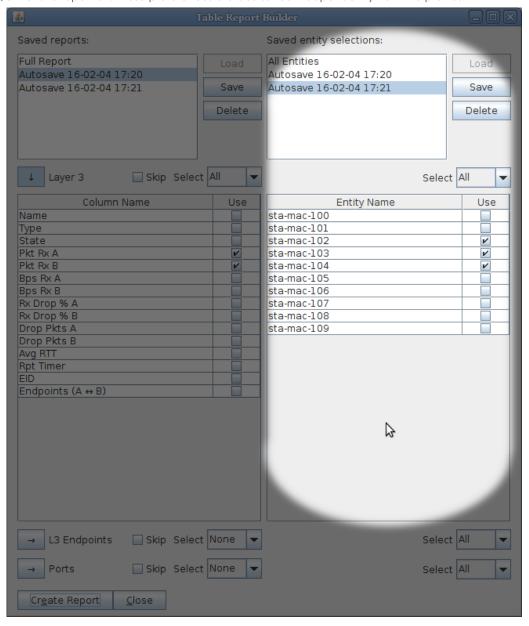


2. Understanding the two columns in the Table Report Builder.

A. Report Profiles are on the left. This represents your selection of Layer-3, L3-Endpoint and/or Port table columns to include in your report. These preferences are saved independently of the entity choices.

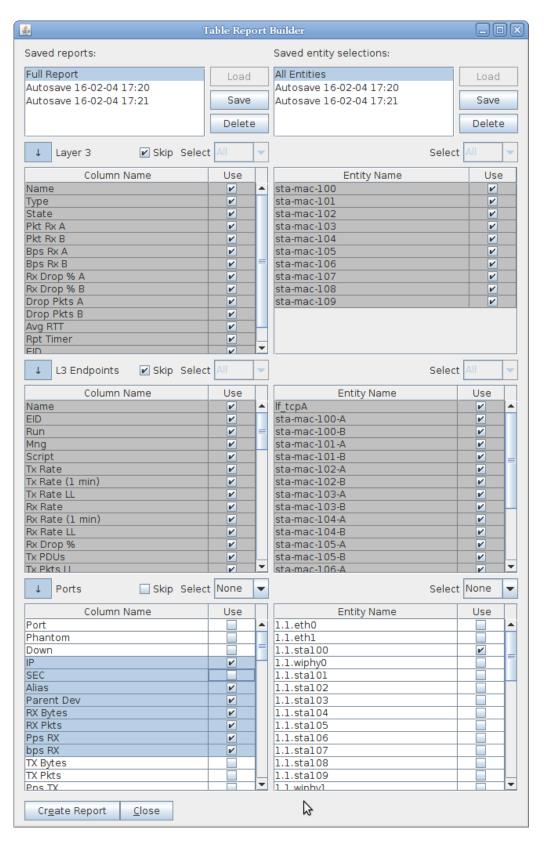


B. Entity Selections are on the right. This consists of a your combination of Layer-3 connections, L3-Endpoints and/or Ports to report on. These preferences are also saved independently from the profiles.



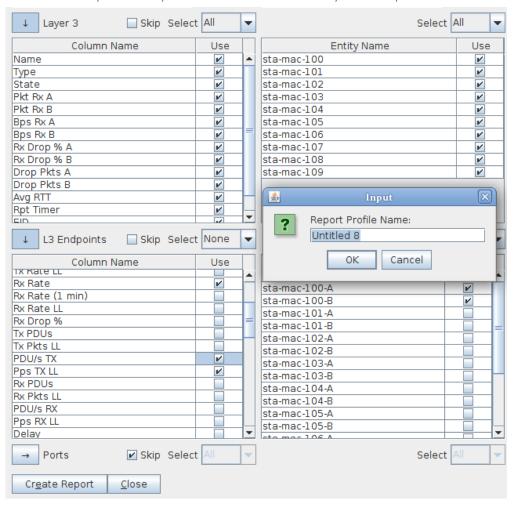
### 3. Selecting items to include

A. The Skip button will omit a whole table from the report. Checking and un-checking the skip button will not alter your row selection check boxes.

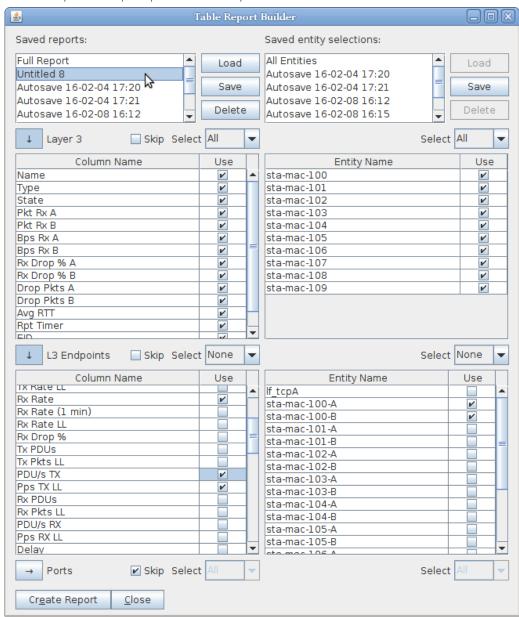


- B. The Select drop downs for each table are a short cut for selecting all or unselecting all items in a row.
- C. The [SPACE] and [ENTER] keys are shortcuts for selecting and unselecting checkboxes. These keys will toggle highlighted groups of rows as well.
- 4. Saving and Loading a Report Profile

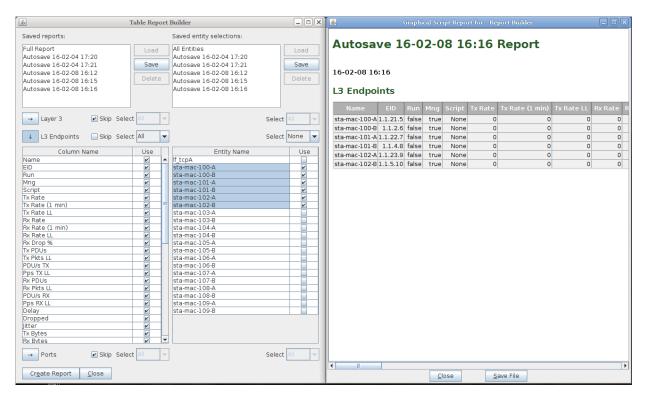
A. The Save button allows you to save your table row selections. Name your saved profile.



B. You can restore previous reports profiles. Select a profile name and then click Load.



5. Generating the report is simple, click the **Create Report** button. Your report will be remembered with an *Autosave* record.



6. Saving the report as a file is easy as well. In the Graphical Script Report window, click the Save File button.

# **Displaying Sequence Gaps**

Goal: Generate and show sequence gaps (time between packets) by running traffic through a WanLink with an intermittent latency spike.

Tracking sequence gaps can be useful in the following scenarios:

- Roaming with and without 802.11r.
- OSPF failovers.
- Cellular to WiFi handoff.

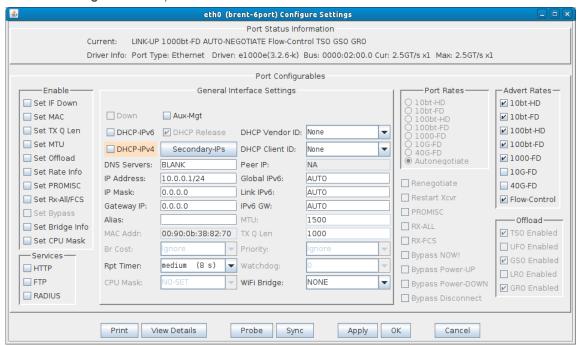
In this test scenario, LANforge will be set up to generate sequence gaps. Then the sequence gaps will be shown via the layer-3 display window.

Four physical ports will be used, two to generate traffic and two for the WanLink endpoints. This test uses a LANforge CT922 system.

LANforge will be generating UDP traffic at 1 Mbps through a WanLink that is scripted to apply one second of latency every ten seconds. The one second latency should create a one second sequence gap. The packet size will be smaller to increase the rate of traffic and thus decreasing sequence gaps, this will make any larger sequence gaps more apparent.

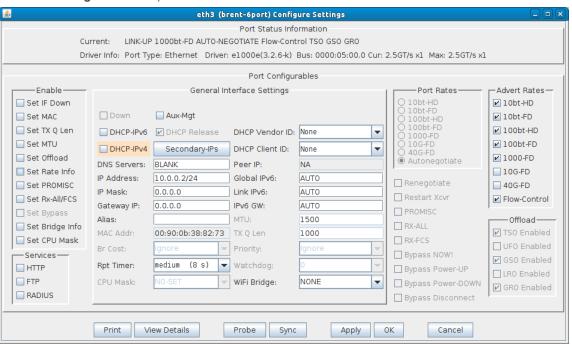
1. Set IPs on traffic generating ports, eth0 and eth3 in this case.

A. In the Port Manager tab modify eth0.



A. Set the IP Address.

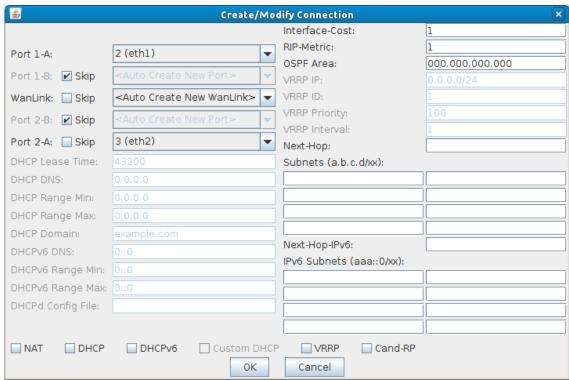
B. In the Port Manager tab modify eth3.



A. Set the IP Address.

2. Create a WanLink.

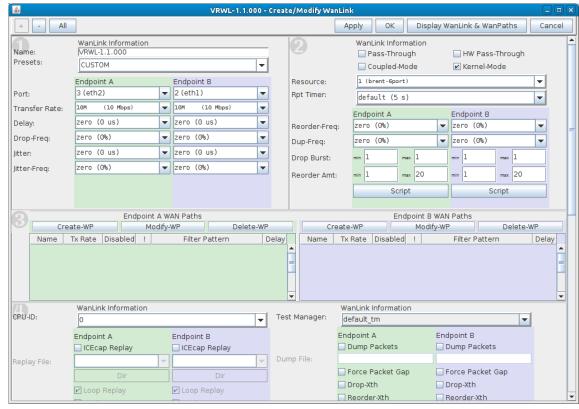
A. In Netsmith, right click an open area and click New Connection.



- A. Select the Skip checkboxes on Port 1-B and Port 2-B.
- B. Set Port 1-A to eth1.
- C. Set Port 2-A to eth2.
- D. Click OK.
- E. Click Apply in Netsmith.

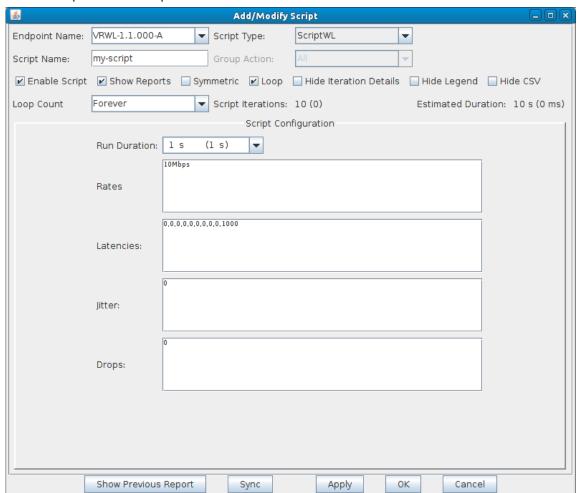
### 3. Configure the WanLink.

A. In the WanLinks tab, modify the WanLink.



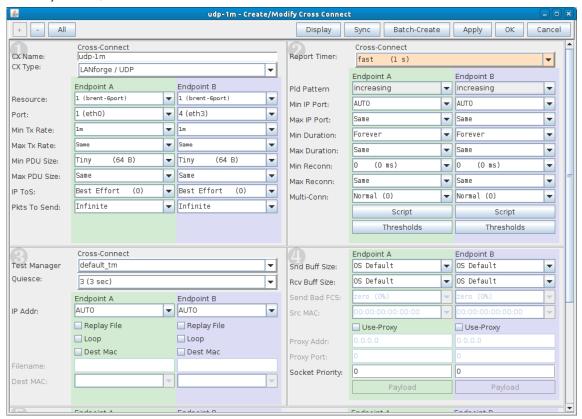
A. Set the Transfer Rate to 10Mbps for both endpoints.

B. Click the Script button on Endpoint A.

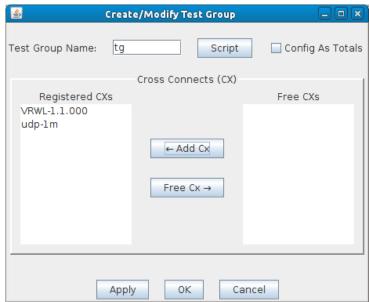


- A. Set the **Script Type** to **ScriptWL**.
- B. Click the **Loop** checkbox.
- C. Run Duration = 1s
- D. Rates = 10Mbps
- E. Latencies = 0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,1000
- F. Jitter = 0
- G. **Drops = 0**
- H. Click OK.
- C. Click  $\mathbf{OK}$  to close the WanLink modify window.
- 4. Create a Layer 3 connection.

A. In the Layer-3 tab, Click Create.

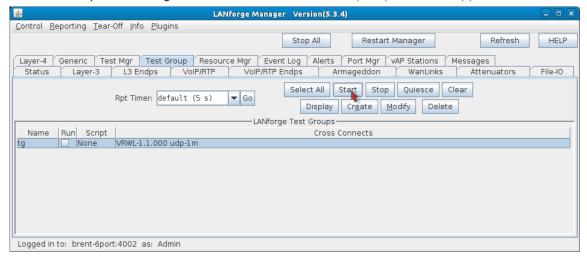


- A. CX Name = udp-1m
- B. Report Timer = 1s
- C. Endpoint A Port = eth0
- D. Endpoint B Port = eth3
- E. Endpoint A and B = 1m
- F. Endpoint A and B Min PDU Size = 64 B
- G. Click OK.
- 5. Create a test group to start the layer 3 connection and WanLink at the same time.
  - A. In the **Test Group** tab, click **Create**.

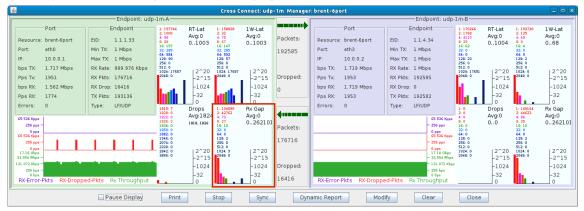


- A. Test Group Name = tg
- B. Select the WanLink and Layer 3 connection on the right and clickAdd Cx.
- C. Click  $\mathbf{OK}$ .

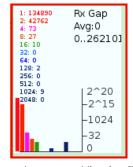
- 6. Start the test group. This will start both the layer 3 connection and the scripted WanLink.
  - A. In the Test Group tab, select tg and click Start. You will see the Script Report window appear.



- 7. Display the Layer 3 connection and analyze the Rx Gap (sequence gap).
  - A. In the Layer-3 tab, select udp-1m and click Display.



B. The **Rx Gap** graph is highlighted in the below screenshot. The Rx Gap for Endpoint B doesn't show one second sequence gaps because that side of the WanLink was not scripted.



A. The colored numbers on the left side of the colon represent time in milliseconds. The right colored numbers represent the number of times a sequence gap reached the particular time on the left side.

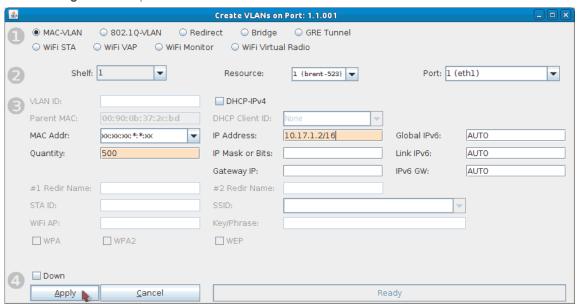
You'll notice that 9 sequence gaps hit 1024ms. These gaps were the result of the WanLink script occasionally sending one second latency.

# Goal: Analyze memory usage as the number of NFS clients is scaled up, and also when NFS endpoint settings are tweaked.

Hopefully by the end of this cookbook you'll have an idea how to assess how many File-IO endpoints and associated settings your system can support. This cookbook connects a LANforge system to a NFS file server. The file server in this example will be 10.17.1.1. It will be sharing 10.17.1.1:/mnt/tmpfs1. We will create 100, 250, then 500 readers and writers and compare memory usage as we also tweak the RW Size setting.

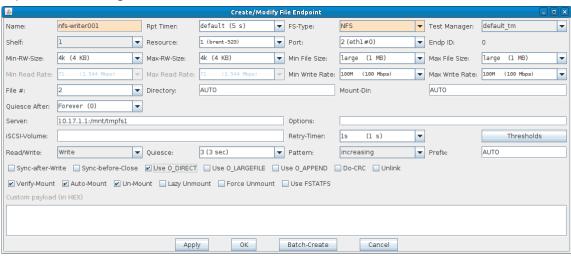
**Note:** For this example, we are using a CT523 with 8GB of memory. It is physically connected to the NFS file server.

- 1. First, 500 MAC-VLANs will need to be created.
  - A. In the Port-Mar tab select port eth1 and click Create.

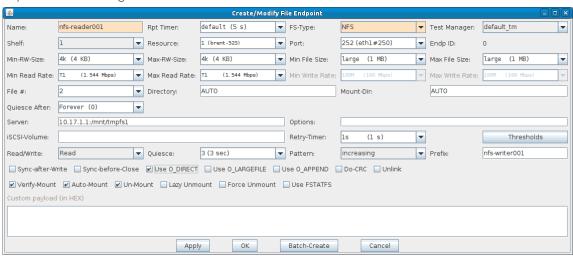


- A. Select MAC-VLAN.
- B. Set Quantity to 500.
- C. The starting IP address is 10.17.1.2/16 for this test. If your file server is on a different network, change the IP here accordingly. Make sure not to use the file server's IP address.
- D. Click **Apply** and close the Port Create window once all ports are configured. Make sure all MAC-VLANs get IPs, this may take some time.
- 2. Create **250** NFS writers and **250** NFS readers. Batch create **50** at a time (49 for first batch of reader/writers). More information on creating File-IO endpoints can be found here: LANforge File-IO with CIFS and NFS

A. Any non-default settings for the NFS writers are listed below.



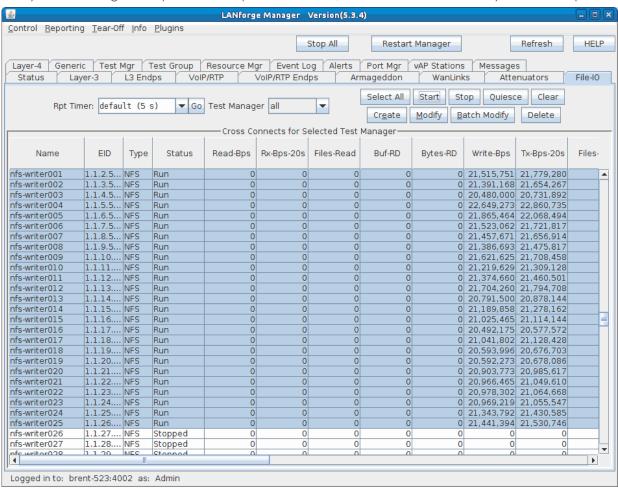
- A. Name is nfs-writer001.
- B. FS-Type: NFS.
- C. Port is eth1#0.
- D. Min-RW and Max-RW sizes are 4k.
- E. Min/Max File sizes are 1MB.
- F. Min/Max Write rates are 100Mbps.
- G. Quiesce After is Forever.
- H. Server is 10.17.1.1:/mnt/tmpfs1 (use your own file server settings here).
- I. Make sure Read/Write is set to Write.
- J. Turn on the Use O\_DIRECT checkbox.
- B. Any non-default settings for the NFS readers are listed below.



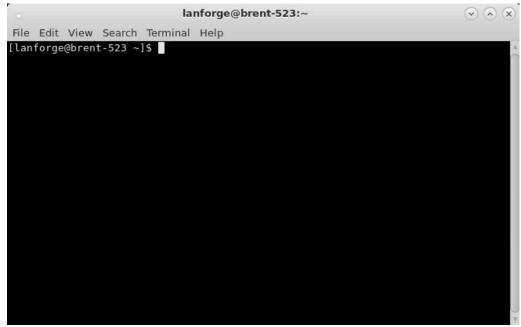
- A. Name is nfs-reader001.
- B. FS-Type: NFS.
- C. Port is eth1#250.
- D. Min-RW and Max-RW sizes are 4k.
- E. Min/Max File sizes are 1MB.
- F. Min/Max Write rates are 100Mbps.
- G. Quiesce After is Forever.
- H. Server is 10.17.1.1:/mnt/tmpfs1 (use your own file server settings here).
- I. Set Read/Write to **Read**.
- J. Set Prefix to nfs-writer001.
- K. Turn on the Use O\_DIRECT checkbox.
- 3. Start the first **50 writers** then the first **50 readers**. It's recommended to slowly start File-IO endpoints, for example, starting 25 writers then 25 readers then the same again until you have the desired amount running.

The reason to do this is because the system may become unresponsive if it can't handle the number of File-IO endpoints.

**Note:** If you notice the system slowing down, connections not starting, or connections stuck in WAITING state, or any weirdness in general, you should stop 25 or 50 writers/readers at a time until the system clears up.

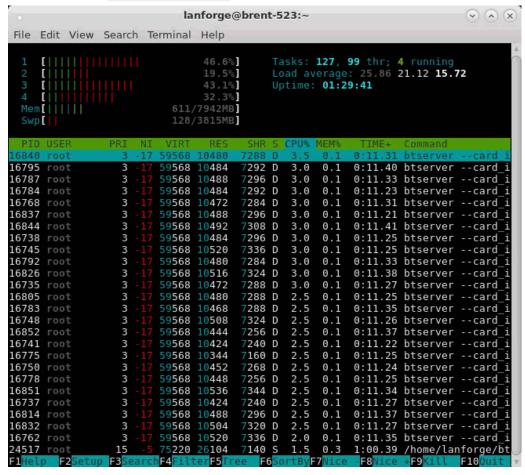


- 4. Now that 50 File-IO endpoints are running, the memory will be analyzed via htop.
  - A. Open a terminal on the LANforge system using a preferred method (either directly or remotely through ssh, rdesktop, or vncviewer).



B. Show a list of btserver processes (LANforge processes) by running the command:

htop -p `pgrep btserver | tr "\n" "," | sed 's/,\$//'`
If htop isn't installed run: sudo yum install htop



A. The majority of btserver processes with the same or similar values here represent the running File-IO endpoints. The RES (resident value) column represents the memory used by these File-IO endpoints. The current test uses an average of about 10,400 KiB or 10.6 MB per btserver process. These values should be monitored as the File-IO settings are adjusted.

**NOTE:** You will need to restart htop if the endpoints are stopped/restarted. Just press**q** to quit out and run the above htop command again.

C. Total up the RES memory used by btserver. This is useful to compare memory usage between a different number of connections. For example you could compare how much memory 100 endpoints use compared to 500 endpoints.

```
lanforge@brent-523:~
                                                                                 (V) (X)
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[lanforge@brent-523 ~]$ ps aux | grep btserver | awk '{s+=$6} END {print s}'
1130916
[lanforge@brent-523 ~]$ []
                               lanforge@brent-523:~
                                                                                 (v) (x)
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[lanforge@brent-523 ~]$ while sleep 1; do ps aux | grep btserver | awk '{s+=$6}
END {print s}'; done
1130916
1130916
1130984
1130936
1130920
1130912
1130972
1130984
1130976
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1130892
1130880
```

```
A. To show the total RES memory used, run the command:

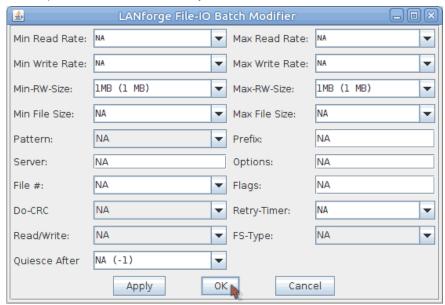
ps aux | grep btserver | awk '{s+=$6} END {print s}'

To repeat it every second, use the below command. Press Ctrl+C to stop.

while sleep 1; do ps aux | grep btserver | awk '{s+=$6} END {print s}'; done
```

- B. The total memory for 50 NFS File-IO endpoints with aMin/Max RW rate of 4k is about 1,130,000 KiB which converts to around 1,157 MB.
- 5. While the File-IO endpoints are running, change the Min-RW and Max-RW settings.

A. Select all File-IO endpoints and click **Batch Modify**.



- A. Set the Min/Max RW sizes to 1MB.
- B. Click **OK**
- 6. Analyze how the Min/Max RW size setting change has affected the memory (see steps 4B and 4C).

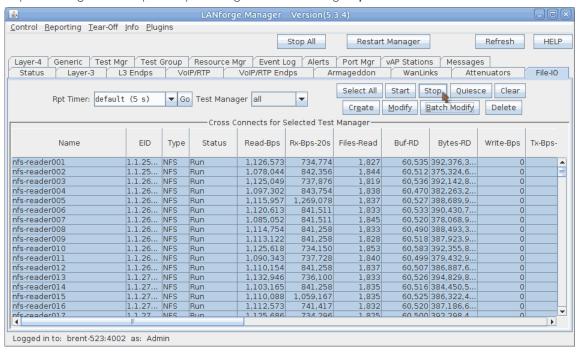
```
lanforge@brent-523:~
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                                 13.3%
                                            Tasks: 204, 102 thr; 1 running
     ]
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]
                                 6.7%
                                            Load average: 46.19 54.05 54.10
                                 4.3%
                                            Uptime: 01:01:02
                                11.0%
  Mem[|||||
                           906/7942MB
                             0/3815MB
                                       7388 S
7284 S
2394 root
                  15
                         75256
                                               0.5
                                                    0.3
                                                          0:50.77 /home/lanforge/bt
                                25312
                                                          0:29.35 btserver --card_i
22182 root
                   3
                         60600
                                11496
                                               0.5
                                                    0.1
                         60600
                               11544
                                       7332 D
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                                                          0:29.21 btserver --card
22316 root
                   3
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                                       7396 S
7332 S
22210 root
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                               11612
                                               0.5
                                                          0:29.12 btserver --card
                         60600
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                                       7332
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22315 root
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                         60600
                                11548
                                                    0.1
                                                          0:29.76 btserver --card
                                                          0:29.17 btserver --card
                                       7396 D
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22263 root
                         60600
                               11612
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22192 root
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22153 root
                                                          0:29.17 btserver
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                                               0.5
                                                          0:29.35 btserver --card
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                                               0.5
22313 root
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                                       7396 D
                                                          0:29.08 btserver --card
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                               11612
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22197 root
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                                                          0:29.21 btserver
22169 root
                         60600
                               11556
                                       7340 D
                                               0.5
                                                    0.1
                                                          0:29.05 btserver --card
                                               0.5
22292 root
                         60600
                                       7412 D
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23304 root
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                         60600
                                11628
                                       7420
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                                                          0:07.70 btserver
                                                                            --card
22013 root
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                               11624
                                       7412 D
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                                                          0:31.33 btserver --card
                                       7376 D
                               11592
                                               0.0
                                                          0:29.00 btserver --card
22140 root
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                         60600
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22194 root
                                                          0:29.21 btserver --card
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22230 root
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                                       7368 D
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                                                          0:29.15 btserver --card
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1233688
[lanforge@brent-523 ~]$
```

A. Changing the Min/Max RW sizes to 1MB increased the btserver memory use to about 11,600 KiB or 11.9 MB from 10,400 KiB or 10.6 MB. About a 1,200 KiB or 1.3 MB difference.

The total memory increased to 1,233,000 KiB, **1,262 MB** from 1,130,000 KiB, **1,157 MB**. About a 103,000 KiB or **105 MB** difference.

7. Set the endpoints Min/Max RW size back to 4k.

A. Stop all running file-IO endpoints by selecting them and clicking Stop.



B. Select all file-IO endpoints and click Batch Modify.



- A. Set the Min/Max RW sizes to 4k.
- B. Click OK.
- 8. Repeat steps 3 through 7 for 125 writers/readers and then again for 250 writers/readers.
- 9. The results from the above tests are shown in the below tables. They show how RW size affects 100, 250, and 500 NFS File-IO endpoints.

In	Individual Process Memory Usage (MB)						
	Number of File-IO Endpoints						
		100	250	500			
Size	4 KB	10.6	10.8	10.8			
RW	1 MB	11.9	11.9	11.8			

Total Memory Usage (MB)							
Number of File-IO Endpoints							
		100	250	500			
RW Size	4 KB	1,157	2,804	4,134			
	1 MB	1,262	3,031	6,013			

# Watch ports and stations with the Monitor Port plugin.

### Goal: Display a bandwidth meter for ports and stations.

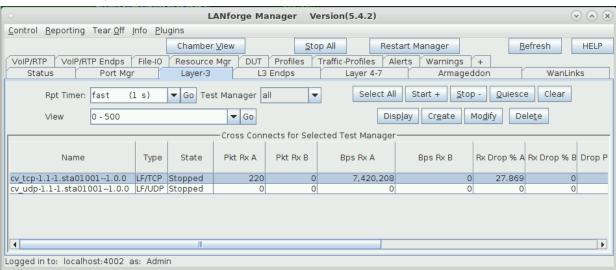
You can display a series of meters for one or more ports with a nice demo window for traffic speed. For this demonstration, we have configured a station, an upstream port, and a Layer-3 connection to generate traffic.



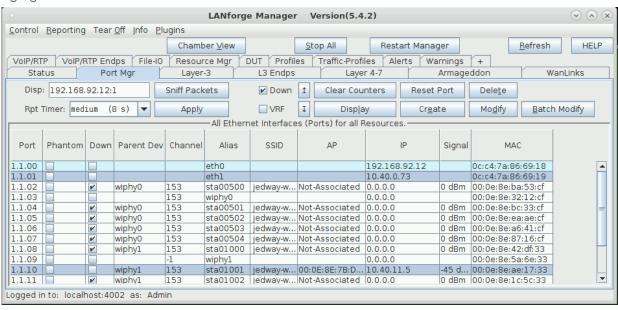
# Single port display

- 2. The simplest example for port monitoring is showing only one station.
- 3. We will start our Layer-3 connection.

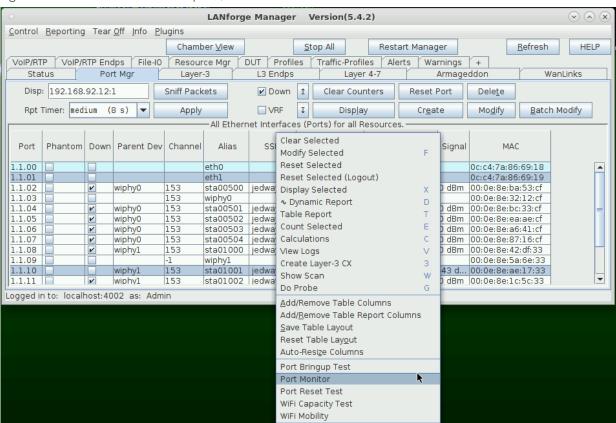
1.



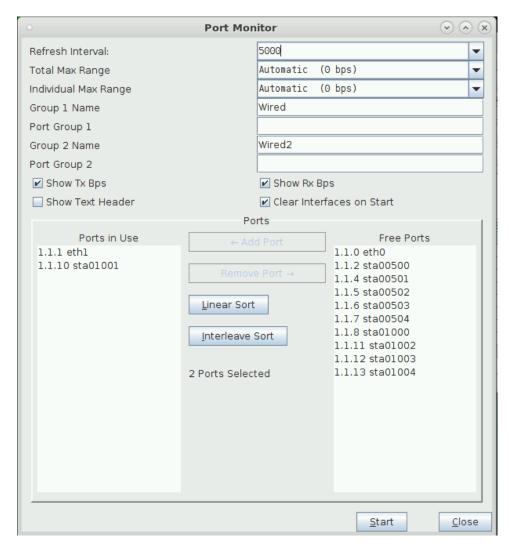
4. After starting the Layer-3 connection, click on the *Port Mgr* tab; you will see your connection ports highlighted.



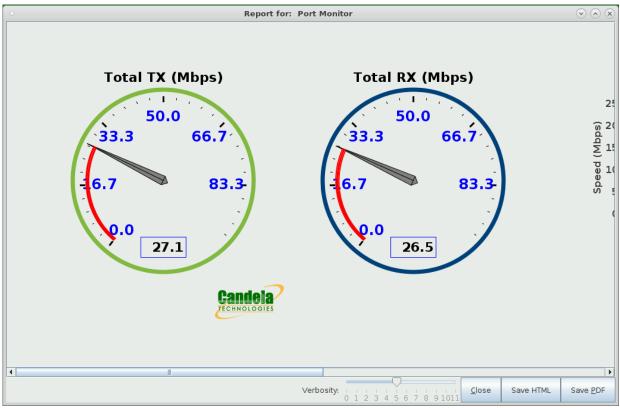
5. Right click on one of the selected ports, and select Port Monitor.



6. You will see your two ports in the port selector. Click **Start** to begin the monitor.



7. The monitor display was designed to be a full-screen window. You'll see it scroll off to the right. Maximize the window to see more.



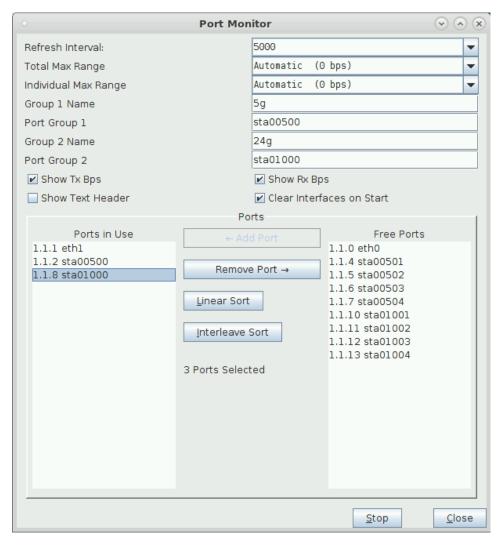
8. The bar chart on the right side shows port totals.



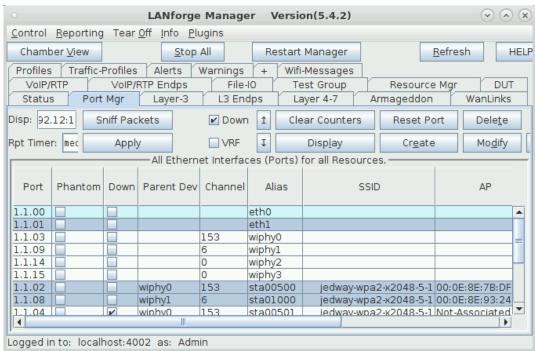
# **Displaying Groups of Ports**

10. You can use the *Port Group 1* and *Port Group 2* fields in the settings window to display items. The window pictured here shows a station on a 2.4Ghz band and another station on a 5Ghz band.

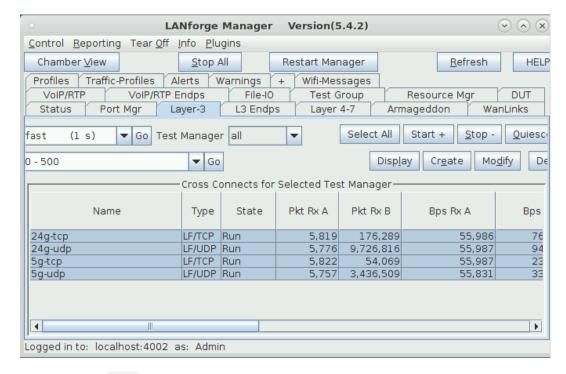
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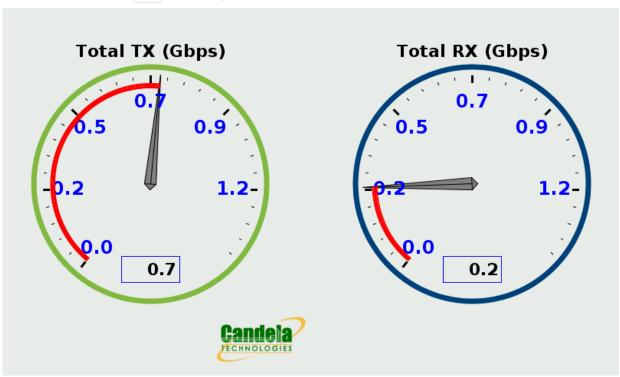
11. The ports for these settings show different channels



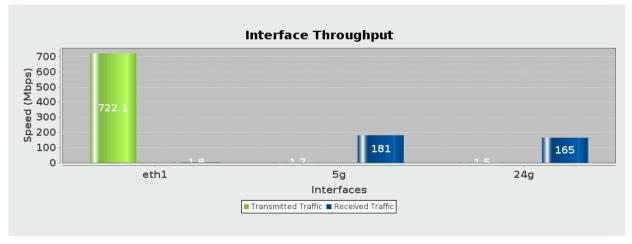
12. The connections for these ports are both attempting 300Mbps download



13. We see a lot of TX from eth1 in the dial, but not much recieved.



14. We can compare the 2.4Ghz ports and the 5Ghz ports in the bar charts



## <u>Create Python Scripts Utilizing the Realm Library</u>

### Goal: Create a python script to create stations and Layer-3 cross connects

Using the <code>realm.py</code> library we will write a script that will allow us to automate the creation of stations and Layer-3 cross connects. We will also be able to start and stop traffic over the cross connects using the script. We will be referencing the script, <code>test\_ipv4\_variable\_time.py</code>, as an example throughout this cookbook. Requires LANforge 5.4.2.

### 1.

### Starting the script

- A. Setting up inheritance for our object
  - A. In order for our script to be platform independent we will need to import sys. Then use

```
if 'py-json' not in sys.path:
    sys.path.append(os.path.join(os.path.abspath('..'), 'py-json'))
```

- B. When creating our object we will need to import the LFCliBase module from the LANforge module using from LANforge.lfcli base import LFCliBase
- C. After importing LFCliBase we can create our Class and inherit from LFCliBase
- B. Setting up the main method
  - A. The main method will typically follow a pattern:
    - I. First, the creation of a list of stations. This can be done in many ways. Example:

```
station_list = LFUtils.port_name_series(prefix_="sta",
    start_id_=0,
    end_id_=4,
    padding_number_=10000)
```

II. Following the station list, we can initialize our object:

```
ip_var_test = IPV4VariableTime(lfjson_host, lfjson_port,
    number_template="00",
    sta_list=station_list,
    name_prefix="var_time",
    ssid="testNet",
    password="testPass",
    resource=1,
    security="wpa2",
    test_duration="5m",
    side_a_min_rate=256,
    side_b_min_rate=256)
```

- III. After our object has been initialized we can begin the testing process. The preferred order for running our tests is to:
  - i. Call cleanup() to prevent stations, cross-connects, and endpoints within our list from having creation issues if anything exists with the same name.
  - ii. Call the **build()** method in our class to setup the basic versions of the stations, cross-connects, and endpoints.
  - iii. Call the start() method that will start the test itself, as well as any bring up any stations and start traffic on cross-connects that need it.
  - iv. Call the stop() method to stop the traffic and bring down any stations that are up.
  - v. Verify that the tests passed using our inherited passes() method.
  - vi. After verifying a pass we can then call our cleanup function again to clean up everything we worked with.

```
def main():
   lfjson_host = "localhost"
   lfjson_port = 8080
   station_list = LFUtils.portNameSeries(prefix_="sta", start_id_=0, end_id_=4, paddi
    ip_var_test = IPV4VariableTime(lfjson_host, lfjson_port, number_template="00", sta
       name_prefix="var_time",
       ssid="testNet",
       password="testPass",
       resource=1,
        security="wpa2", test_duration="5m",
        side_a_min_rate=256, side_b_min_rate=256),
    ip_var_test.cleanup(station_list)
    ip_var_test.build()
    if not ip_var_test.passes():
        print(ip_var_test.get_fail_message())
        exit(1)
   ip_var_test.start(False, False)
    ip_var_test.stop()
    if not ip_var_test.passes():
       print(ip_var_test.get_fail_message())
        exit(1)
    time.sleep(30)
    ip_var_test.cleanup(station_list)
    if ip_var_test.passes():
       print("Full test passed, all connections increased rx bytes")
```

### 2. Test Methods Available With Realm

- A. Using lfcli\_base.\_pass() and lfcli\_base.\_fail()
  - A. Since our class is inheriting <a href="If-light-se.py">If-light-se.py</a>, we have access to methods that will help us keep track of passes and fails during our tests. We can access them using <a href="self-.pass">self.\_pass</a>() or <a href="self-.pass">self.\_pass</a>(). They will take two parameters, a string message and an optional boolean <a href="print\_pass">print\_pass</a> and <a href="print\_pass">print\_fail</a> are set to True, they will write the message to stdout whenever the functions are called.
  - B. 1fc1i\_base will add a "PASSED: message" or "FAILED: message" to a list when the tests pass or fail. This list can be accessed using the methods

```
get_result_list()
get_failed_result_list()
get_fail_message()
get_all_message()
```

- B. Using Ifcli\_base to check test success
  - A. passes() will return a boolean depending on whether or not there were any fails in the test. If it finds a fail message it will return False, if none are found it will return True.

    get\_result\_list() will return all logged pass/fail messages as a list.

    get\_failed\_result\_list() will return a list of only fail messages.

    get\_fail\_message() will return a list of string of fail messages separated by newlines

    get\_message() will return a list of string of all messages separated by newlines

### **Building a Station**

- A. We will need to do a number of things to setup our build method.
  - I. To begin we will set the security type of our stations using station profile.use security()
  - II. We will then use station\_profile.set\_number\_template() to name our stations
  - III. After this we can set our command flags and parameters using self.station\_profile.set\_command\_flag("add\_sta","create\_admin\_down",1) self.station\_profile.set\_command\_param("set\_port","report\_timer",1500) self.station\_profile.set\_command\_flag("set\_port","rpt\_timer", 1)
  - IV. Once our parameters and flags are set, we can pass a list of stations to station\_profile.create() and cx\_profile.create(). Our build function could look like this:

```
for station in range(len(self.sta_list)):
    temp_sta_list.append(str(self.resource)+"."+self.sta_list[station])
self.station_profile.create(resource=1, radio="wiphy0", sta_names_=self.sta_list, debug=Fai
self.cx_profile.create(endp_type="lf_udp", side_a=temp_sta_list, side_b="1.eth1", sleep_tir
self._pass("PASS: Station build finished")
```

The naming convention for the sides will look like **foo-A** for side\_a and **foo-B** for side\_b. *foo* will be set based on the names in the list of stations given.

#### B. StationProfile

- A. The preferred method for creating a station\_profile is to use the factory methocnew\_station\_profile() found in realm
  - I. We will need to assign some variables for the creation of our stations before we can call create().
    - i. self.station\_profile.use\_security(security\_type, ssid, passwd) is the preferred method to use when setting the security type, ssid, and password variables

Example:

```
self.station profile.use security("wpa2", "testNet", "testPass")
```

ii. self.station\_profile.number\_template\_ is the numerical prefix for stations. Using a number\_template of "00" will have stations look like sta01, sta02...sta10

```
Example:
```

```
self.station profile.number template ="00"
```

iii. self.station\_profile.mode determines the wifi mode used by the stations. See here for available modes

Example:

```
self.station profile.mode=0
```

### Cross Connects

A. Starting and Stopping Traffic

4.

- A. In order for us to be able to start traffic, our stations will need to be admined up, associated, and with an IP. We can bring them up using station\_profile.admin\_up(). We can then use realm.wait\_for\_ip(resource, sta\_list) to wait for our stations, as well as eth1, to get an IP address.
- B. Once we are sure all of our stations have ip addresses, we can use cx\_profile.start\_cx() to start the traffic for our cross-connects. When we decide to stop the traffic we can just as easily use cx\_profile.stop\_cx() to stop traffic.

- A. self.local\_realm.create\_new\_13\_cx\_profile() is the preferred method for creating a new Layer 3 CX Profile.
  - I. We will need to assign some variables for the creation of our stations before we can call create().
    - i. self.cx\_profile.name\_prefix will be used to specify the name prefix for the cx. Assigning self.cx\_profile.name\_prefix to "test\_" would produce cross-connects named test\_sta00 with the numbers being dependent on station\_profile's number\_template.

```
Example:
```

```
self.cx_profile.name_prefix="test_"
```

ii. Set the \_min\_bps to the desired amount. \_max\_bps can be set but typically defaults to 0 which sets it to the same as the minimum bps. Example:

```
self.cx_profile.side_a_min_bps=56000
self.cx profile.side b min bps=56000
```

#### 5.

### **Using TTLS**

- A. TTLS setup requires a few pieces of information to work correctly. StationProfile has a set\_wifi\_extra() method for setting the relevant variables. See here for the available options
- B. We will need a key management type (key\_mgmt), an EAP method (eap), an EAP identity string (identity), an EAP password string (passwd), an 802.11u realm (realm), an 802.11u domain (domain), and an 802.11u HESSID (hessid)

### Example:

```
key_mgmt="WPA-EAP"
eap="TTLS"
identity="testuser"
passwd="testpasswd"
realm="localhost.localdomain"
domain="localhost.localdomain"
hessid="00:00:00:00:00:01"
```

We can then use these variables to call the set\_wifi\_extra() method

### Example:

```
station_profile.set_wifi_extra(key_mgmt, eap, identity, passwd, realm, domain, hessid)
```

#### 6.

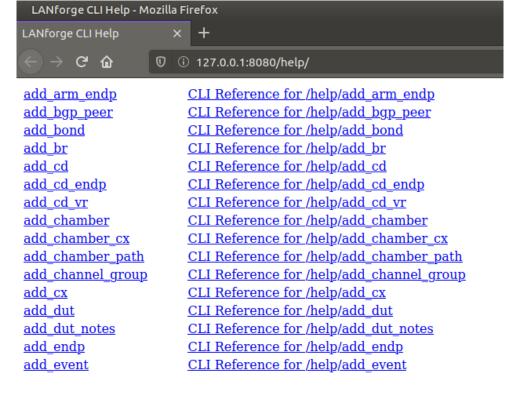
# **Cleaning Up**

- A. Cleanup stations and cross connects
  - A. We have two options for cleaning up everything once we finish:
    - I. The preferred method to cleanup is to use the individual cleanup methods found in StationProfile and L3CXProfile. These are station\_profile.cleanup(resource, desired\_station\_list) and cx\_profile.cleanup(). These methods are preferred because they will only delete stations, cross-connects, and endpoints created during the test while leaving others untouched. This is useful if you are running other scripts in the background.
    - II. The other method for cleanup is to use Realm's remove\_all\_stations(), remove\_all\_endps(), and remove\_all\_cxs() methods. These will remove all stations, cxs, and endpoints that exist. These are good for doing a full cleanup, and it is recommended to use them in the order of cx, endpoint, station to prevent potential issues or missed deletions.

- A. Debug information for station creation can be output by setting \_debug\_on=True in StationProfile.create()
  - A. There are a few important debug outputs to pay attention to:
    - I. This is the debug output that appears when using the add\_sta command. This is used frequently in StationProfile.create(). This debug output will allow you to troubleshoot any flags or other information that is being set when creating your stations. It will output the name at the top and the raw JSON data will follow.

II. The next bit of debugging output comes from using the set\_port command. We are able to see all of the JSON data that is posted, and can use this to check our flags and other info.

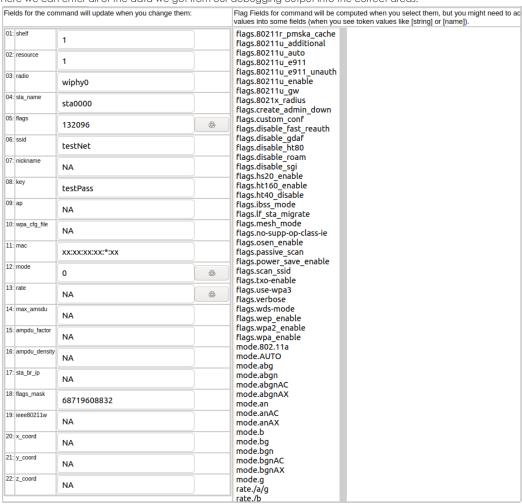
- B. There are a few steps we can take to make validating the information we get through debugging easier.
  - A. We can use the help page available on the address of the machine LANforge is running on http://127.0.0.1/help/will take us to a page containing all of the commands we can get help with.



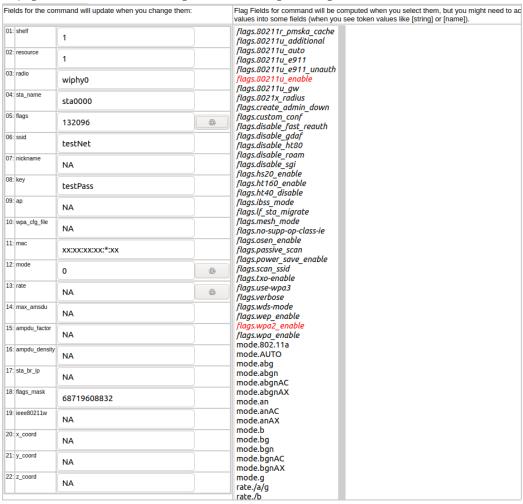
B. Using http://127.0.0.1/help/add\_sta will bring us to a page specific to the add\_sta command.



C. Here we can enter all of the data we got from our debugging output into the correct areas.



D. Flag fields have a button next to them that will calculate and highlight relevant flags in the right hand column of the page. This can be useful for checking that the correct flags are being set.



E. After we have done this, we can click the parse command button towards the top of the data inputs. We can then enter this command into LANforge's messages tab in the input box.



# Create Python Scripts To Test Layer 4 Traffic

#### Goal: Create a script to test Layer 4 traffic using Realm

1.

Using the realm.py library we will write a script that will allow us to automate the creation of stations and Layer 4 cross connects. We will also be able to start and stop traffic over the cross connects using the script. Station and Cross Connect creation is covered in the Realm Scripting Cookbook. Requires LANforge 5.4.2.

## **Creating The Profile**

- B. After we have done this we can set a few variables for our traffic:
  - A. 14\_cx\_profile.requests\_per\_ten will set our rate of requests per ten minutes. Setting requests\_per\_ten = 600 will set our URL request rate to 1 per second. There is no limit to what can be used as the rate but common rates are:
    - 600: 1/s1200: 2/s1800: 3/s2400: 4/s
  - B. 14\_cx\_profile.url is the URL to be used in the requests. We will also need to specify the direction (dl/ul) and a absolute path for the destination. See syntax here.

```
14_cx_profile.url = "dl http://10.40.0.1 /dev/null"
```

C. Example Layer 4 profile init:

2.

```
class IPV4L4 (LFCliBase):
    def __init__(self, host, port, ssid, security, password, url, requests_per
        target_requests_per_ten=600, number_template="00000", resource=1, num_
       _debug_on=False,
       _exit_on_error=False,
       _exit_on_fail=False):
    super().__init__(host, port, _debug=_debug_on, _halt_on_error=_exit_on_err
    self.host = host
    self.port = port
    self.ssid = ssid
    self.security = security
    self.password = password
    self.url = url
    self.requests_per_ten = requests_per_ten
    self.number_template = number_template
    self.sta_list = station_list
    self.resource = resource
    self.num_tests = num_tests
    self.target_requests_per_ten = target_requests_per_ten
    self.local_realm = realm.Realm(lfclient_host=self.host, lfclient_port=self
    self.cx_profile = self.local_realm.new_14_cx_profile()
    self.cx_profile.url = self.url
    self.cx_profile.requests_per_ten = self.requests_per_ten
    # Station Profile init
```

### Starting Traffic

A. When running traffic, if you plan to measure the rate of requests, it is recommended to do so in 10 minute increments. An example of this can be seen here: test\_ipv4\_l4\_urls\_per\_ten.py. To start the traffic we can use the 14\_cx\_profile.start\_cx() method. To stop the traffic we can use the 14\_cx\_profile.stop\_cx() method.

B. Example start and build method:

```
def build(self):
   # Build stations
   self.station_profile.use_security(self.security, self.ssid, self.password)
   print("Creating stations")
   self.station_profile.create(resource=1, radio="wiphy0", sta_names_=self.sta_list,
   temp sta list = []
   for station in range(len(self.sta_list)):
        temp_sta_list.append(str(self.resource) + "." + self.sta_list[station])
   self.14_profile.create(ports=temp_sta_list, sleep_time=.5, debug_=self.debug, supr
def start(self, print_pass=False, print_fail=False):
   temp_stas = self.sta_list.copy()
   temp_stas.append("eth1")
   cur_time = datetime.datetime.now()
   interval_time = cur_time + datetime.timedelta(minutes=1)
   passes = 0
   expected_passes = 0
   self.station_profile.admin_up(1)
   self.local_realm.wait_for_ip(self.resource, temp_stas)
   self.14_profile.start_cx()
   print("Starting test")
    for test in range(self.num_tests):
       expected_passes += 1
       while cur_time < interval_time:
           time.sleep(1)
           cur_time = datetime.datetime.now()
        if self.14_profile.check_errors(self.debug):
            if self.__check_request_rate():
               passes += 1
                self._fail("FAIL: Request rate did not exceed 90% target rate", print_
               break
            else:
                self._fail("FAIL: Errors found getting to %s " % self.url, print_fail)
            interval_time = cur_time + datetime.timedelta(minutes=1)
    if passes == expected_passes:
        self._pass("PASS: All tests passes", print_pass)
```

## Examining The Results

A. We can use <a href="http://localhost:8080/layer4/list">http://localhost:8080/layer4/list</a> to check our Layer 4 endpoints. Adding a ,,?fields to the end of the URL will allow us to specify what we want to look at. We can separate fields by commas to show more than one at a time.

Example: http://ocalhost:8080/layer4/list?fields=name,urls/s,total-urls

3.

- Using total-urls will show us the total requests made.
- Using urls/s will show us the average URL rate per second.
- Using rx rate and tx rate will show us the rates of received and transeferred traffic.

We can also use the url http://localhost:8080/layer4/all to see all of the available fields.

- B. When checking our results for Layer 4 tests we might want to check for common URL related errors:
  - acc. denied will show us the number of times we got an access denied error.
  - bad-ur1 will show us the number of times a request was made with an invalid URL.
  - nf (4xx) will count the number of 400 errors recieved when making requests to our URL.

#### Goal: Create a script to test Generic traffic using Realm

Using the realm.py library we will write a script that will allow us to automate the creation of stations and generic cross connects. We will also be able to start and stop traffic over the cross connects using the script. Station and Cross Connect creation is covered in the Realm Scripting Cookbook, Requires LANforge 5.4.2.

## **Creating The Profile**

- A. We will use the factory method self.local\_realm.new\_generic\_cx\_profile() to create our profile object.
- B. After we have done this we can set a few variables for our traffic:
  - A. gen\_cx\_profile.type will determine the type of command to execute. Example: self.cx profile.type = "lfping"
  - B. gen\_cx\_profile.dest is the destination IP address for the command. Example: self.cx profile.dest = "127.0.0.1"
  - C. gen\_cx\_profile.interval sets the interval at which the command is run in seconds. Example: self.cx\_profile.interval = 1
  - D. Example Generic profile init:

```
class GenTest(LFCliBase):
    def __init__(self, host, port, ssid, security, password, sta_list, name_pr
                 number_template="00000", test_duration="5m", type="lfping", d
                 interval=1, radio="wiphy0",
                 _debug_on=False,
                 _exit_on_error=False,
                 _exit_on_fail=False):
        super().__init__(host, port, _debug=_debug_on, _halt_on_error=_exit_on
        self.host = host
        self.port = port
        self.ssid = ssid
        self.radio = radio
        self.upstream = upstream
        self.sta_list = sta_list
        self.security = security
        self.password = password
        self.number_template = number_template
        self.name_prefix = name_prefix
        self.test_duration = test_duration
        self.local_realm = realm.Realm(lfclient_host=self.host, lfclient_port=
        self.cx_profile = self.local_realm.new_generic_cx_profile()
        self.cx_profile.type = type
        self.cx_profile.dest = dest
        self.cx_profile.interval = interval
    # Station Profile init
```

## **Starting Traffic**

A. To start the traffic we can use the gen\_cx\_profile.start\_cx() method. To stop the traffic we can use the gen\_cx\_profile.stop\_cx() method.

1.

2.

B. Example start and build method:

3.

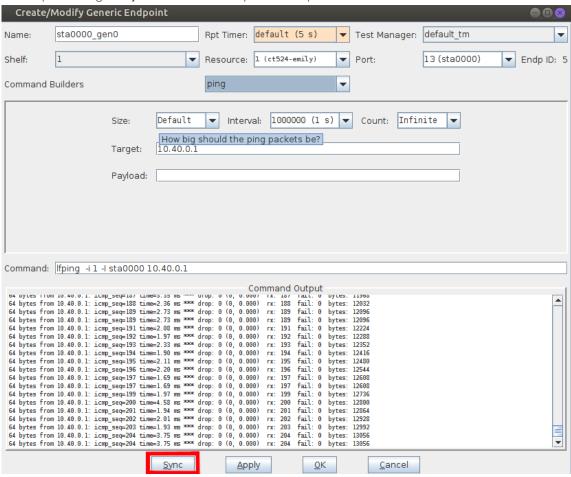
```
def build(self):
   self.station_profile.use_security(self.security, self.ssid, self.password)
   self.station_profile.set_number_template(self.number_template)
   print("Creating stations")
   self.station_profile.set_command_flag("add_sta", "create_admin_down", 1)
   self.station_profile.set_command_param("set_port", "report_timer", 1500)
   self.station_profile.set_command_flag("set_port", "rpt_timer", 1)
   self.station_profile.create(radio=self.radio, sta_names_=self.sta_list, debug=self
    self.cx_profile.create(ports=self.station_profile.station_names, sleep_time=.5)
   self._pass("PASS: Station build finished")
def start(self, print_pass=False, print_fail=False):
   self.station_profile.admin_up()
   temp_stas = self.sta_list.copy()
    temp_stas.append(self.upstream)
    if self.local_realm.wait_for_ip(temp_stas):
       self._pass("All stations got IPs", print_pass)
    else:
       self._fail("Stations failed to get IPs", print_fail)
        exit(1)
    cur_time = datetime.datetime.now()
   passes = 0
    expected_passes = 0
   self.cx_profile.start_cx()
   time.sleep(15)
    end_time = self.local_realm.parse_time("30s") + cur_time
   print("Starting Test...")
    while cur_time < end_time:
        cur_time = datetime.datetime.now()
        gen_results = self.json_get("generic/list?fields=name,last+results", debug_=se
        if gen_results['endpoints'] is not None:
            for name in gen_results['endpoints']:
                for k, v in name.items():
                    if v['name'] in self.cx_profile.created_endp and not v['name'].end
                        expected passes += 1
                        if v['last results'] != "" and "Unreachable" not in v['last re
                        else:
                            self._fail("%s Failed to ping %s " % (v['name'], self.cx_r
        time.sleep(1)
    if passes == expected_passes:
        self._pass("PASS: All tests passed", print_pass)
```

# **Examining The Results**

A. For 1fping we can use the last results of the endpoint to determine if the test was successful. An example of this can be seen in our start method. The most common errors for 1fping will either be a blank last result or Destination Host Unreachable. Either of these results indicate a failed ping. Successful pings will look like: 64 bytes from 10.40.0.1: icmp\_seq=1 time=4.55 ms \*\*\* drop: 0 (0, 0.000) rx: 1 4 Results can also be seen in the generic tab in the LANforge Manager: LANforge Manager Version (5.4.2) <u>C</u>ontrol <u>R</u>eporting Wind<u>o</u>ws <u>I</u>nfo <u>T</u>ests Stop All Restart Manager Refresh HELP Chamber View Generic Resource Mgr vAP Stations DUT Profiles Traffic-Profiles Alerts Messages Warnings Wifi-Messages + Layer 4-7 VoIP/RTP VoIP/RTP Endps Layer-3 L3 Endps Armageddon WanLinks Select All Start + Stop -Clear Rpt Timer: fast ▼ Go Test Manager all (1 s) Generic Endpoints for Selected Test Manager EID Last Results Tx Bytes Rx Bytes Tx Pkts PDU/s TX Rx F Status Rpt# Name sta0000\_gen0 1.1.13.5 Stop... 206 64 bytes from 10.40.0.1: icmp\_seq=204 time=3.75 ms \*\*\* dr... 0 B 1.1.14.7 Stop... 64 bytes from 10.40.0.1: icmp\_seq=204 time=1.61 ms \*\*\* dr... 0 B

Double-clicking on an endpoint will allow you to see more specific results as well as the command used by the endpoint. Using the **sync** button will allow you to see updated results.

Logged in to: 192.168.92.12:4002 as: Admin



# Create Layer 4-7 HTTP Upload Traffic

Goal: using curl, it is possible to not only download content, but UPLOAD content as well. There must be a web source that accepts uploaded data. Below we will cover how to construct an PHP and NGINX web page that will allow a LANforge system to accept web uploads.

By default, web servers (like Apache or Nginx) are designed to respond by giving content. Receiving content requires some add-on to accept incoming uploads. The notable methods are CGI and WebDAV. WebDAV configurations are specific to either Apache or Nginx, so we will focus this cookbook on the CGI method, with PHP as the CGI engine. PHP is installed by default with LANforge systems.

### **Deciding on the Upload Destination**

Continual traffic generation is a scenario that would fill the space of any web server. This cookbook describes a technique that will not save uploaded data, and thus should allow an indefinite duration of upload traffic. Specifically, processes that accept uploaded data **do not need to save it**. The technique used by up.php relies on the files being uploaded to /tmp which on most recent LANforge systems is a tmpfs RAM-based filesystem.

Using **tmpfs** for very large uploads, (or hundreds of small uploads) can consume LANforge system memory quickly.

#### **Upload Considerations**

- 1. There is no good way to ignore the uploaded output. It goes immediately to the filesystem.
- 2. The default fedora upload location is /tmp. This is a RAM-based filesystem. You will crash your LANforge *nginx* server, and possibly the machine itself if your uploads take up more than half your ram.
- 3. If you want to upload a lot of data per upload, it is going to have to live on the LANforge's SSD.
  - 1. In /etc/php.ini, set upload\_tmp\_dir = "/home/lanforge/tmp"
  - 2. Consider that SSDs have a writes-per-lifetime limit. Continual writing adds wear to the drive.
  - 3. SSDs can only write between 30-500MB/s (4000 Mbps). This depends on the model of SSD, the speed of the SATA bus, and the write-caching and wear leveling techniques the SSD uses.
  - 4. If doing HTTP uploads is a performance test, we suggest building a system with hundreds of gigabytes of RAM for tmpfs space.
- 4. To handle large numbers of stations doing uploads, set the upload size limit small to avoid filling up RAM.
  - 1. Monitor free RAM with **htop**. On a ct521a, there is 4GB of RAM, total. Thus you have up to 2GB of free space in /tmp:
  - 2. Remeber that as while the LANforge GUI runs, it consumes RAM itself. Depending on the duration of the report, it can consume most of the remaining ram. *Consider running the LANforge GUI on a separate machine*.
  - 3. In /etc/php.ini, set your *post\_max\_size* and *upload\_max\_filesize* parameters to (2GB / number of Layer 4 connections):
    - 1. For 16 stations with one Layer 4 connection each:

```
2 \times 1024 \times 1024 \times 1024 / 16 = 134,217,728 \sim = 134MB
```

2. For 32 stations with two Layer 2 connections each:

```
2 \times 1024 \times 1024 \times 1024 / 64 = 33,554,432 \sim = 33MB
```

3. The php.ini default max upload size is set at 2MB:

```
post_max_size = 8M
upload max filesize = 2M
```

4. These system defaults permit 1024 simultaneous uploads.

## Configure nginx to use up.php

- 1. Copy *up.php* to /usr/local/lanforge/nginx/html
- 2. In the Port Mgr tab, modify your port and select the ☑HTTP checkbox and click Apply. In this example, the port is eth1 (192.168.48.92). Keep the window open.
- 3. In a terminal, edit /home/lanforge/vr\_conf/nginx\_eth1.conf

- 1. Remove the first line
- 2. At the bottom of the server {} stanza, add this configuration:

```
location /up.php {
    include /usr/local/lanforge/nginx/conf/fastcgi_params;
    fastcgi_param SCRIPT_FILENAME $document_root$fastcgi_script_name;
    fastcgi_pass unix:/run/php-fpm/www.sock;
    fastcgi_index index.php;
}
```

Example of file:

```
# Remove the first line '# Autogenerated by ...' and edit the file as
 2 # desired for a custom config file.
 5 error_log logs/eth1_error.log;
 6 pid
                     /home/lanforge/vr_conf/nginx_eth1.pid;
 7 events (
 8
         worker connections 1024;
9 }
11 http {
       include /usr/local/lanforge/nginx/conf/mime.types;
default_type application/octet-stream;
       access_log logs/eth1_access.log;
      sendfile on; keepalive_timeout 65;
15
16
      server {
18
        listen 192.168.48.92:80 bind_dev=eth1;
server_name localhost;
access_log logs/eth1_host.access.log;
19
20
21
         location / {
   root html;
   index index.html index.htm;
24
25
       error_page 500 502 503 504 /50x.html;
location = /50x.html {
root html;
26
28
29
        root ntmi;
}
location /up.php {
   include /usr/local/lanforge/nginx/conf/fastcgi_params;
   fastcgi_param SCRIPT_FILENAME $document_root$fastcgi_sc
30
                    fastcgi_param SCRIPT_FILENAME $document_root$fastcgi_script_name;
                  fastcgi_pass unix:/run/php-fpm/www.sock;
34
                   fastcgi_index index.php;
36
37
      }
38 }
```

- 1. Save the file.
  - 1. Edit the /etc/php-fpm.d/www.conf file
    - 1. Look for the listen.acl\_users parameter, and add the user nobody
    - 2. listen.acl\_users = apache,nginx,nobody
    - 3. save
  - 2. Restart the php-fpm service:

```
# systemctl restart php-fpm.service
```

#### Monitor nginx errors

- 1. To monitor the nginx log file:
  - 1. Open a terminal
  - 2. Become root using sudo -s

- 2. Permission Denied errors:
  - l. For this error: [crit] connect() to unix:/run/php-fpm/www.sock failed (13:
     Permission denied) while connecting to upstream, client: 192.168.48.18,
     server: localhost, request: "GET /up.php HTTP/1.1", upstream:
     "fastcgi://unix:/run/php-fpm/www.sock:"

2. Edit the /etc/php-fpm/www.conf file mentioned above and restart the php-fpm service.

#### Apply changed nginx settings

- 1. In the **eth1 Configure Settings** window, you will toggle the HTTP setting to re-apply the changed configuration:
  - 1. Unselect □HTTP
  - 2. Click Apply
  - 3. Select ☑HTTP
  - 4. Click Apply

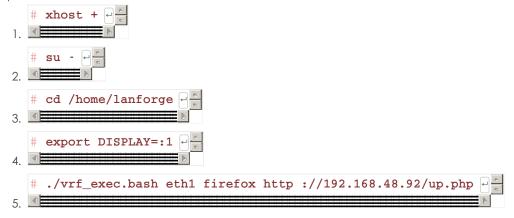
### Checking for the *up.php* page with Curl

1. Open a terminal and become root:

4. Look for errors, like Sorry, the page you are looking for is currently unavailable.

### Browsing the *up.php* page with Firefox

- 1. To see this page from the LANforge desktop, you will use the vrf\_exec.bash script.
- 2. Open a terminal and issue these commands:



## Creating a Generic Endpoint to upload with Curl

- 1. There a token files to upload, located in /var/www/html named dataslug(size).bin.
- 2. The curl -F command will issue a POST in the multipart-form manner.
- 3. The filename= parameter is the name of the form's [input] parameter that matches the [input type=file] element in the page.
- 4. The @/var/www/html/data\_slug\_256K.bin is curl syntax for opening the named file.
- 5. Start off by practicing the *vrf\_exec.bash* command from a terminal:
  - 1. ./vrf\_exec.bash wlan0 curl -F
     'filename=@/var/www/html/data slug 256K.bin' http://192.168.48.92/up.php
- 6. Once that works, go to the LANforge GUI Generic tab and create a new endpoint:
  - 1. Enter a name
  - 2. Select your resource and port (wlan0)
  - 3. Select Command Builder: Generic
  - 4. Enter the command:

./vrf\_exec.bash wlan0 curl -F 'filename=@/var/www/html/data\_slug\_256K.bin' http://192.168.48.92/up.php

5. Click OK

- 7. In the Generic tab, select your connection and click Start
  - 1. Double click the connection
  - 2. In the Create/Modify Generic Endpoint window, click the Sync button (at the bottom).
  - 3. You will see the HTML text of the result.

```
Dload Upload Total Spent
                       Left Speed
                          0
                                0 --:--:--
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html lang="en">
<head>
<title>Layer 4 Upload Test</title>
<meta charset="utf-8">
<style>
       font-family: "Century Gothic", "DejaVu Sans", Arial, Helvetica, sans-serif;
      margin: 1em auto;
   h1 {
       text-align: center:
</style>
</head>
<h1>Layer 4 File Upload Test</h1>
   <h1>Result:</h1>
      File name: <tt><data slug 256K.bin></tt>
       File size: <tt><262144></tt>
       File tmp: <tt></tmp/phpRLHVa2></tt>
    </body></html>
```

4. A command that might provide better output could look like:

```
./vrf_exec.bash wlan0 curl -s -o/tmp/$$.html -F 'filename=@/var/www/html/data_slug_256K.bin' http://192.168.48.92/up.php; grep File /tmp/$$.html
```

5. It provides terse output like:

```
<h1>Layer 4 File Upload Test</h1>
File name: <tt>[data_slug_256K.bin]</tt>
File size: <tt>[262144]</tt>
File tmp: <tt>[/tmp/phpfhDFMf]</tt>
```

## The *up.php* Page

You can copy the up.php page as text from here:

# **Install LANforge on ESXi Server (Version 8)**

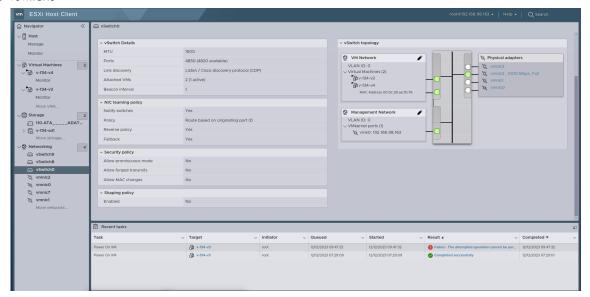
Goal: Install LANforge on an ESXI Server, and confirm DHCP can be served over VLANs.

In this test scenario, we use a system compatible with ESXi version 8. ESXi version 8 can run 2 lanforge VMs on 2 different VLANs, host DHCP on one VLAN, and acquire DHCP leases on the other VLAN through a WANlink. This outlines expected behavior and uses cases for VLANs and WANlinks between LANforge and ESXi version 8. Requires LANforge version 5.3.5 or higher.

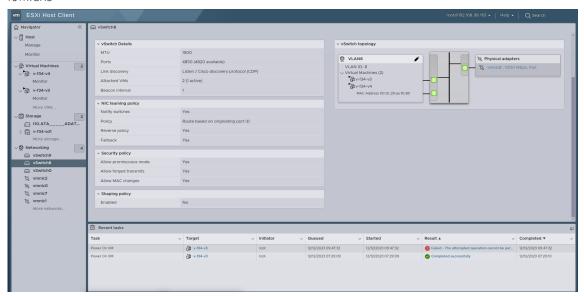
- 1. Configuring ESXi Server ver. 8.02
  - A. This scenario was built upon ESXi 8.02 build 23305546, using a CT-525 with a 4 port 1g nic as well as an accompanying TPLink SG105E Smart Switch.
  - B. Log into TPLink SG105E 5 port Smart Switch (usually defaults to 192.168.0.1). Assign ports 2 and 3 to a VLAN, name 8 with ID 8. Assign ports 4 and 5 to a VLAN, name 9 with ID 9. Port 1 will be the assigned trunk port.

C. In ESXi, create 3 vSwitches. vSwitch0, vSwitch9, vSwitch9. vSwitch0 should have been created and configured by default as the management switch. vSwtich8 connects to ports 1 and 2 on the host port, this corresponds to vmnic8 and vmnic9. vSwtich9 connects to ports 3 and 4 on the host port, which corresponds to vmnic 10 and 11. Vmnic numbers may vary.

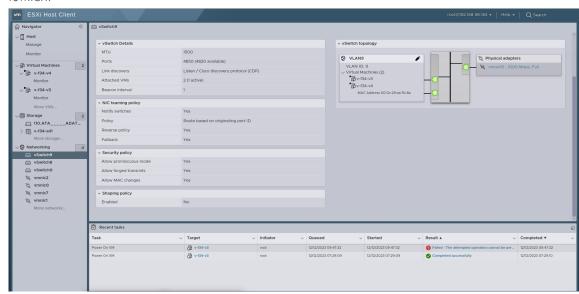
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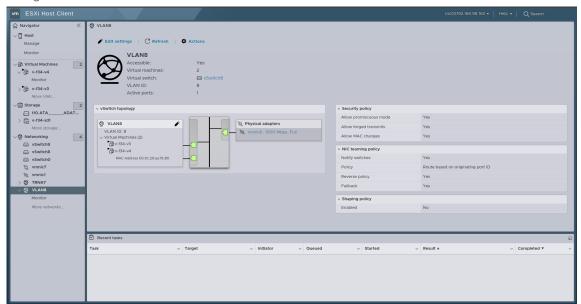
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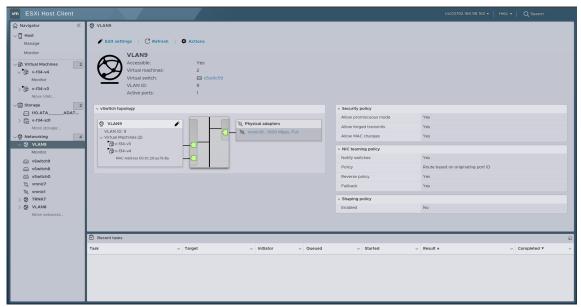
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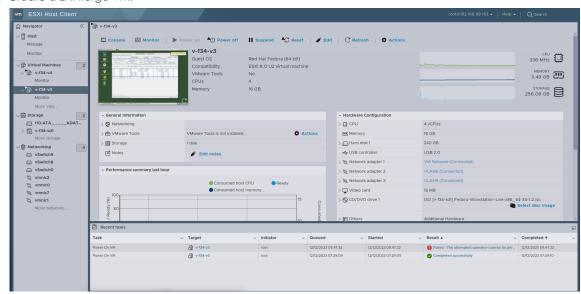
G. Next, create 2 port groups. First port group named VLAN8 with an ID of 8, assign vSwitch8 to it, inherit all settings from vSwitch8.



H. Create another port group named VLAN9, with an ID of 9, assign vSiwtch9 to it as well, inherit all settings from vSwitch9.



I. Create a LANforge VM.



- J. Install Fedora and then LANforge on the VM. See also: Ifserver install.
- K. After successful VM creation and Fedora 34 install, power off the VM.
- L. Add network ports to the VM for VLAN8 and VLAN9.
- 2. Open the terminal and type: vim /etc/sysctl.conf

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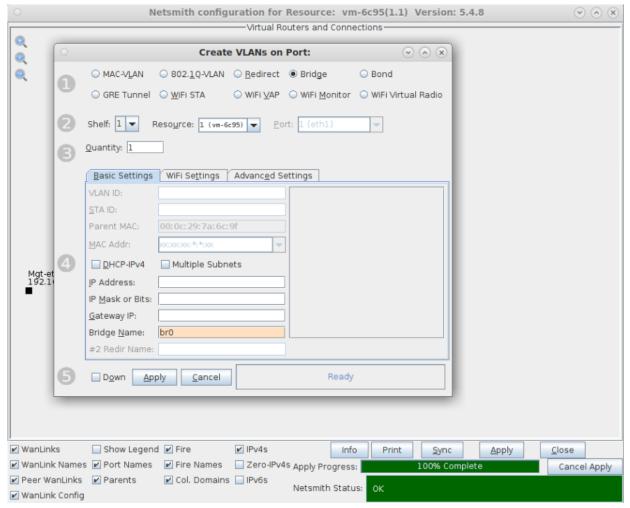
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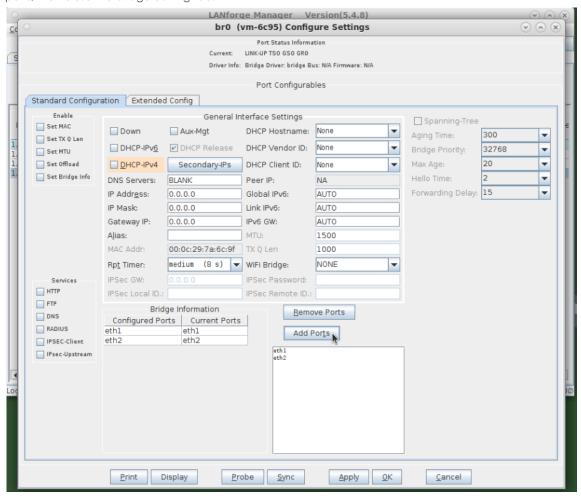
- 3. Here, at the bottom of this file, we will add this line: net.ipv4.conf.br0.proxy\_arp=1, this will keep proxy arps consistent across reboots.
- 4. Finally, run the command: **sysctl -p** to force reload system settings.

- 5. Open LANforge GUI, and in Netsmith tab, right click -> new bridge.
- 6. Uncheck DHCP option for bridge, name it br0.

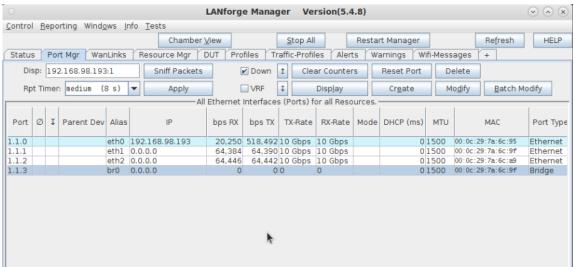


- A. Apply and Sync in Netsmith.
- B. In Port Mgr tab, double click the the newly created bridge (in this example, it is br0).
- C. Make sure DHCP is unchecked, and all Gateway, IP, DNS are set to 0.0.0.0.
- D. At the bottom, underneath the buttons that say Add Ports and Remove Ports, type eth1 and press enter, then eth2.

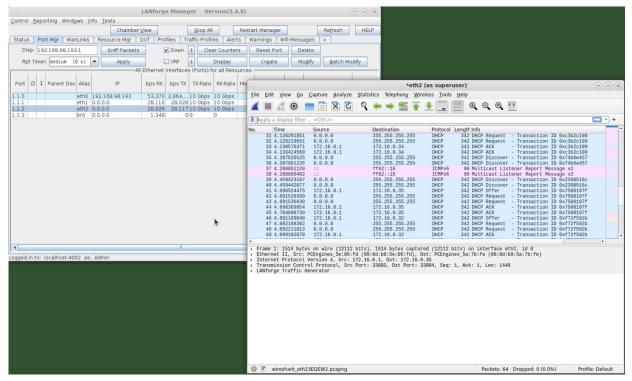
E. Click `Add Ports`, Click Apply, then Sync. Once eth1 and eth2 show up under configured as well as current ports, then close the bridge editing tab.



F. In Port Mgr, there will be no IP's showing up here. This is because we're simply redirecting traffic from one VLAN to the next VLAN. If we want IP's here, we need to make a redirect device to spawn off some IP's.



- 7. Have devices (on VLAN9) request DHCP from the server so we can see DHCP crossing through LANforge.
- 8. Highlight the downstream port, eth2, and click sniff packets. Here, we are looking for signs of a DHCP Request and a DHCP ACK external to this virtual lanforge.



- A. Verify traffic flow with the ping command. Use external IPs to the virtual LANForge, because traffic originating within LANforge will only give a partial network traffic route between VLANs. Ping -I 172.16.0.1 172.16.0.32.
- 9. If we are not seeing anything relating to DHCP on wireshark, then check the VLAN configuration in ESXi. Neither VLAN should be configured with EST or VGT tagging modes. (VLAN IDs need to be between 1 and 4094).
- 10. When setting VLAN IDs to [0] you set the vSwitch to External Switch Tagging mode. When setting the VLAN IDs to [4095] you set the vSwitch to Virtual Guest Tagging mode. Please set the VLAN IDs to the corresponding incoming VLAN ID's. This sets the vSwitches to Virtual Switch Tagging mode. In our lab testing, an external switch was used and two tagged ports were created, one containing VLAN 8 and one containing VLAN 9. In ESXi, these port groups should be ID'd the same, 8 and 9.
- 11. Verify upstream and downstream ports.
  - A. Verify upstream port (this is eth2, on the QVLAN9 network) in LANforge with `sudo tcpdump -ni eth2`, the interface for the upstream port can be additionally verified in ESXi under Networking -> Port Groups -> VLAN8. vSwitch topology will show VM's the VLAN services, including the MAC ADDR of the upstream port, as well as the physical adapters on the otherside of the topology.
  - B. Verify downstream port (this is eth1 introducing DHCP to the LANforge and on the VLAN8 network), with `sudo tcpdump -ni eth1`, the interface for the upstream port can be additionally verified in ESXi under Networking -> Port Groups -> VLAN9. This is a similar process as the previous step.