



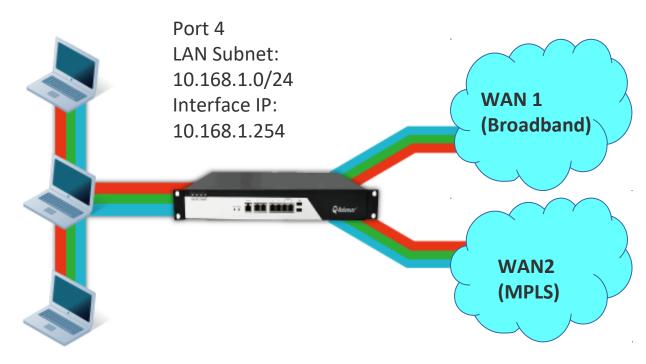
How To Guide: *Assuring Branch-to-Cloud Application Performance in Hybrid WAN*



Introduction

This article outlines general procedures for configuring application-aware routing. In the following page, there is a diagram example of branch network in simplified version, where there are two different types of WAN links, broadband and MPLS. In this hybrid WAN network, the Q-Balancer's ability of application-aware routing based on business policies delivers optimal branch-to cloud application performance.

Diagram Example



Port 1 WAN 1: example_1 IP: 203.67.222.40 Subnet: 203.67.222.40/30 GW:203.67.222.1

Port 2 WAN 2: example_2 IP: 100.100.100.6 Subnet:100.100.100.0/29 GW:100.100.100.1



Requirement

> All traffic from LAN to the Internet is distributed across both WAN 1 (Broadband) and WAN 2 (MPLS).

> To deliver high performance for branch-to-cloud applications, the Q-Balancer appliance is requested to direct specific application(s), e.g. *Google Drive* in this case, to the cloud via WAN 1 (Broadband); when/if WAN 1 is down, the application will go out via WAN 2 (MPLS).



Configuring Application-Aware Routing

Follow the steps below to configure the appliance:

- 1. WAN > ADD > Static
- 2. LAN > ADD

3. Object > DPS > ADD > WRR by Connection (for all LAN traffic)

- 4. Object > DPS > ADD > Priority (for Google Drive)
- 5. Policy Routing > ADD



WAN > ADD > Static

| Name |
|------------------|
| example_1 |
| Port |
| Port 1 |
| Path Monitoring |
| dns_ipv4 |
| Subnet |
| 203.67.222.40/30 |
| IP |
| 203.67.222.40 |
| Gateway |
| 203.67.222.1 |
| |
| OK CANCEL |



WAN > ADD > Static

| Name |
|-----------------|
| example_2 |
| Port |
| Port 2 |
| Path Monitoring |
| dns_ipv4 ▼ |
| Subnet |
| 100.100.0/29 |
| IP |
| 100.100.100.6 |
| Gateway |
| 100.100.1 |
| Down/Up Speed |
| 15.3 / 2.9 Mbps |
| |
| OK CANCEL |



WAN

WAN configuration is done as follows:

WAN

| ADI |) ~ | DELE | TE | | | | | | | |
|--------|------------|-----------|---------|---|-------------|--------|------------|-----|------------|-----|
| Status | Type ↑↓ | Name 1 | ↓Port ↑ | \downarrow Interface $\uparrow\downarrow$ | Subnet | ↑↓ | IP | ↑↓ | Gateway | ↑↓ |
| ~ | Static | example_1 | Port 1 | eth0_6 | 203.67.222. | 40/30 | 203.67.222 | 40 | 203.67.222 | 2.1 |
| ~ | Static | example_2 | Port 2 | eth1_2 | 100.100.100 | 0.0/29 | 100.100.10 | 0.6 | 100.100.10 | 0.1 |



LAN > ADD

Name

LAN_10.168.1.0 Related ISP Auto • Port Port 4 v Subnet 10.168.1.0/24 Route Interface O Gateway IP 10.168.1.254 DHCP Enabled OK CANCEL



LAN

LAN configuration is done as follows:

LAN

| ADD | DELETE | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------|--------|------|----|-----------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|---------|----|----------|-----------------------|
| Name | ↑↓ | Port | ↑↓ | Interface | $\uparrow\downarrow$ Subnet | $\uparrow \downarrow$ | Route | ↑J | IP | $\uparrow \downarrow$ |
| LAN_10.16 | 8.1.0 | Port | 4 | eth3_3 | 10.168.1.0 | /24 | Interfa | ce | 10.168.1 | .254 |



Objects > DPS > ADD > WRR by Connection (for All LAN traffic)

| Name WRRbyCon | n_DPS | | | | |
|-------------------------|--------------------------|---|-----------|---|---|
| Backup Pool None | | | | • | |
| Algorithm Weighted R | ound Robin by Connection | | | T | |
| Links | | | | | |
| exampl | e_1, example_2 | | | • | |
| Weight exampl | e_1 | 1 | example_2 | | 1 |
| Proxy | | | | | |
| ОК | CANCEL | | | | |



Objects > DPS > ADD > Priority (for application of Google Drive)

| Backup Pool None | | • |
|-----------------------|---------------|---|
| Algorithm Priority | | • |
| Links | | |
| example | _1, example_2 | • |
| Priority | | |
| ≡ | example_1 | |
| = | example_2 | |

CANCEL

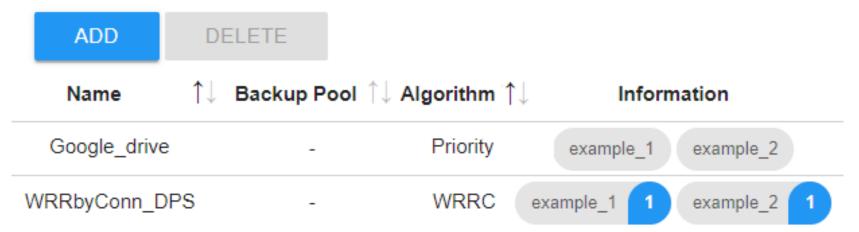
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Dynamic Path Selection (DPS)

DPS configuration is done as follows:

Dynamic Path Selection



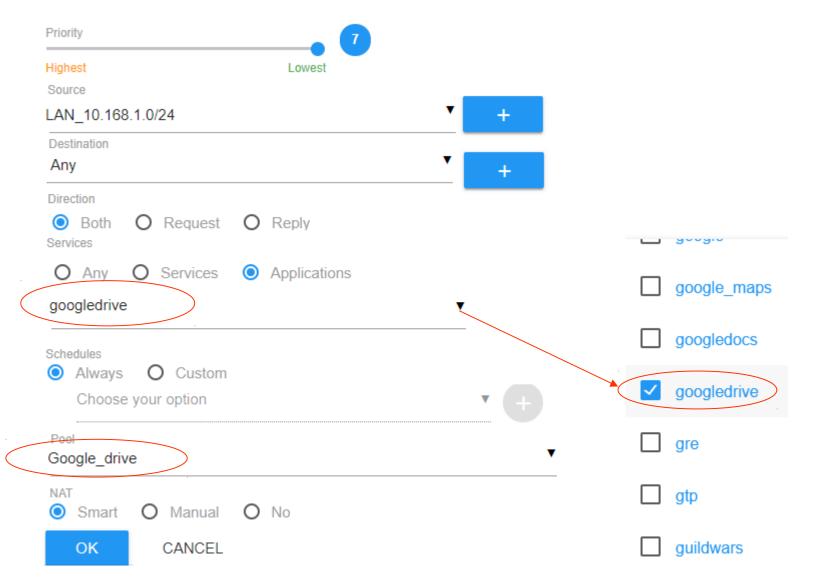


Policy Routing > ADD (for all LAN traffic)

| Priority 7 | |
|--|-----|
| Highest Lowest | |
| Source | |
| LAN_10.168.1.0/24 | + |
| Destination Any | + |
| Direction | |
| Both O Request O Reply Services | |
| Any O Services O Applications Schedules | |
| Always O Custom | |
| Choose your option | • + |
| Pool WRRbyConn_DPS | • |
| NAT Smart O Manual O No | |
| OK CANCEL | |



Policy Routing > Add (for Google Drive)





Policy Routing

Configuration for *Google Drive* and all LAN traffic to the Internet on *Policy Routing* is done as follows:

Q Search ADD DELETE Priority 1 ↑J Destination $\uparrow \downarrow$ Services $\uparrow \downarrow$ Schedules $\uparrow \downarrow$ NAT 1 Pool î↓. Source googledrive LAN 10.168.1.0/24 Google drive ᠵ Any Always Smart 7 LAN 10.168.1.0/24 \rightarrow 7 Any Any Always WRRbyConn DPS Smart

Policy Routing

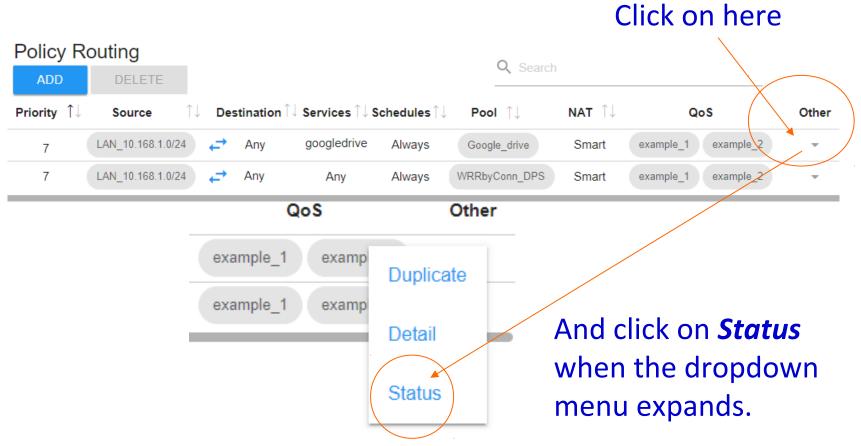


The hosts on LAN IP subnet 10.168.1.0/24 should be able to access the Internet via WAN 1 & WAN 2 now.

C:\WINDOWS\system32\cmd.exe

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C:\Users\installation>ping 8.8.8.8
Pinging 8.8.8.8 with 32 bytes of data:
Reply from 8.8.8.8 bytes=32 time=24ms TTL=56
Reply from 8.8.8.8 bytes=32 time=23ms TTL=56
Reply from 8.8.8.8 bytes=32 time=23ms TTL=56
Ping statistics for 8.8.8.8:
    Packets: Sent = 4, Received = 4, Lost = 0 (0% loss),
Approximate round trip times in milli-seconds:
    Minimum = 23ms, Maximum = 24ms, Average = 23ms
C:\Users\installation>_
```

To check if Google Drive goes to the Internet via WAN 1,



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The status of *Policy Routing* for *Google Drive*:

Policy Routing

| Source | LAN_10.168.1.0/24 |
|-------------|-------------------|
| Destination | Any |
| Direction | Both |
| Services | googledrive |
| Pool | Google_drive |
| NAT | Smart |

| WAN 1 Application | | Duration(s) ↑↓ | State ↑↓ | Protocol ᡝ - | Request | | | | |
|-------------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|--------------|-------------------|----|----------------|-----|---------|
| | | Duration(s) | State 14 | | Src IP:Port | ¢↓ | Dst IP:Port | ¢↓ | Bytes ↑ |
| example_1 | googledrive | 409 | ESTABLISHED | TCP | 10.168.1.114:6208 | 34 | 172.217.160.65 | 443 | 10.5 M |

According to the sesstion table, the application of *Google Drive* is going out via *example_1* (WAN 1).



The traffic usage for *Google Drive* on *example_1 (WAN 1)*:

