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Motivation Breakthrough Multi core CPU Buses NIC with multiple queue's

Operating systems prime time for

Commercial interest www.vyatta.com

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Challenges Packet budget, bandwidth to reach 10g PCIe (PCI-Express)

Hardware selection (More later)

Several vendors have boards We tested some boards. Good connections to Intel who testing

Neterion (s2io) has boards SUN's has new interesting boards.

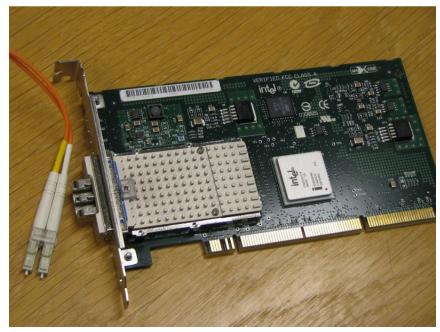
Software selection

Linux/bifrost tuning for ip-forwarding device drivers are crucial

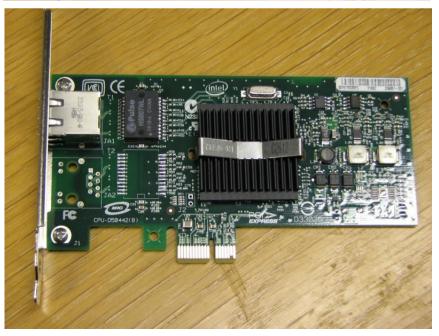
Lab work. Setup etc.

Currently Intel NIC's







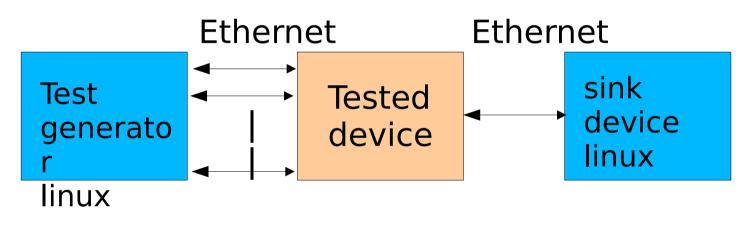


Not or were blessed...



Flexible netlab at Uppsala University

El cheapo-- High customable -- We write code :-)



- * Raw packet performance* TCP
- * Timing
- * Variants

Lab



High-end Hardware

Bifrost components 2008-01-03

This represents equipment which have "passed" our tests at some point of time.

NOTE. This implies no guarantee whatsoever.

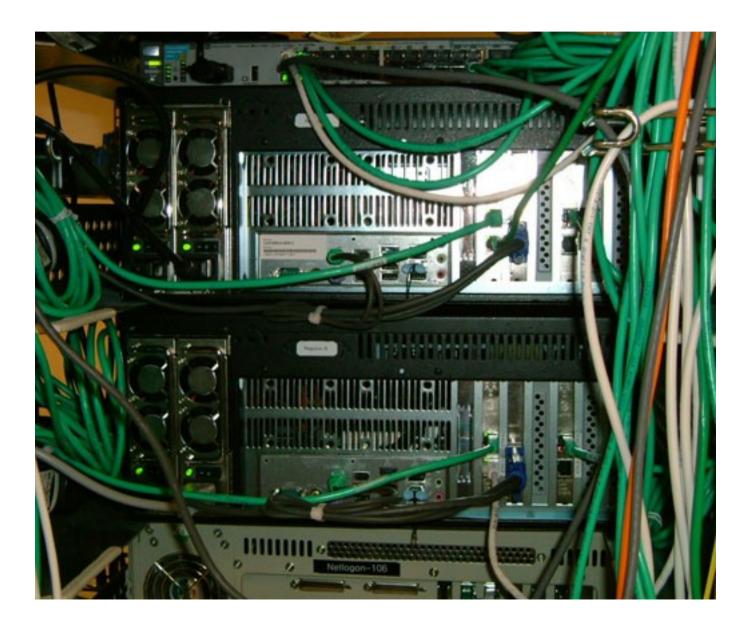
Hi-End Opteron system:

TYAN Thunder n5550W (S2915-E)	1	*
256 MB Reg ECC PC3200 (400 MHz)	4	*
Opteron dual core 2222 processor	2	*
4U Chassi	1	*
USB memory stick	1	*

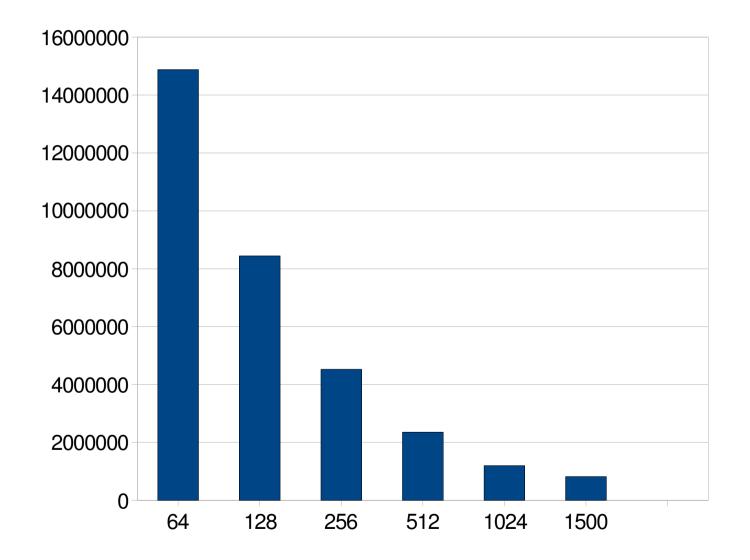
Option: Redundant power supply EMACS MRG-6500P Redundant PSU 2x500W

Intel Corporation 82571EB GIGE based Network cards

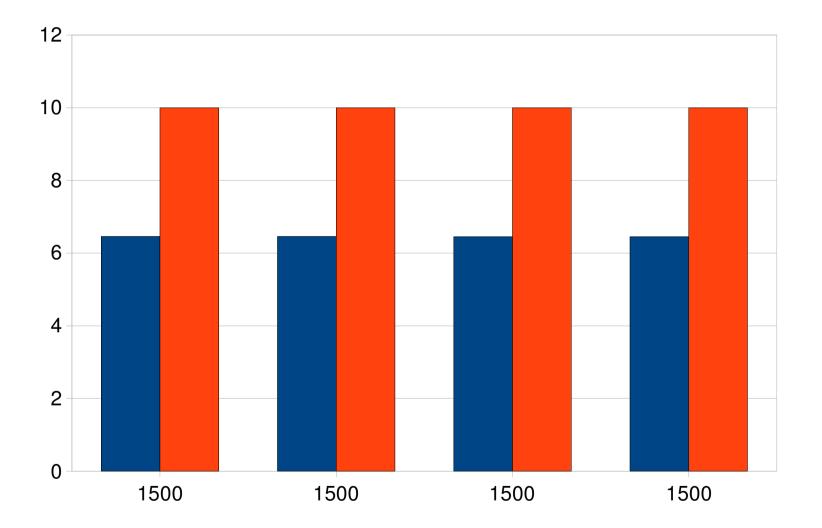
HW in use @ UpUnet-S



Theoretical pps (packet per second) numbers to reach wire speed at 10 Gbit/s



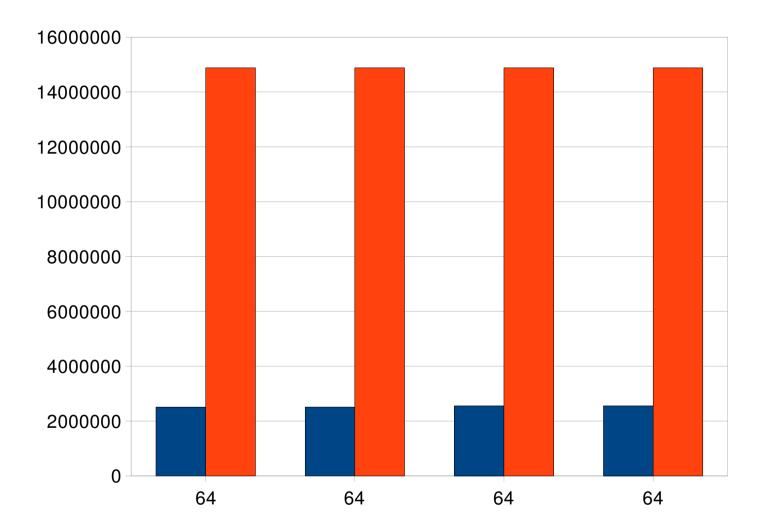
TX performance with 1500 byte pkts Sending on 4 interfaces simultaneously. We reach 25.8 Gbit/s. Theoretical 4*10 Gbit/s



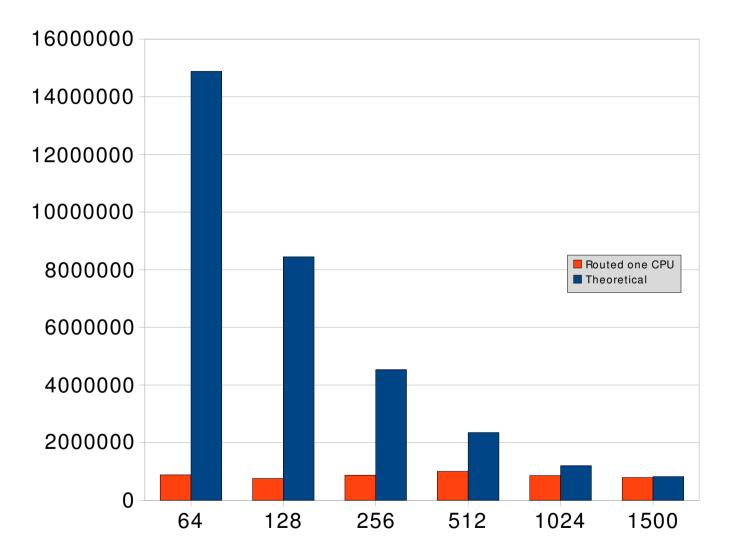
Distribution is fair and we reach 25.8 Gbit/s...

Exercise bus, bandwidth etc.

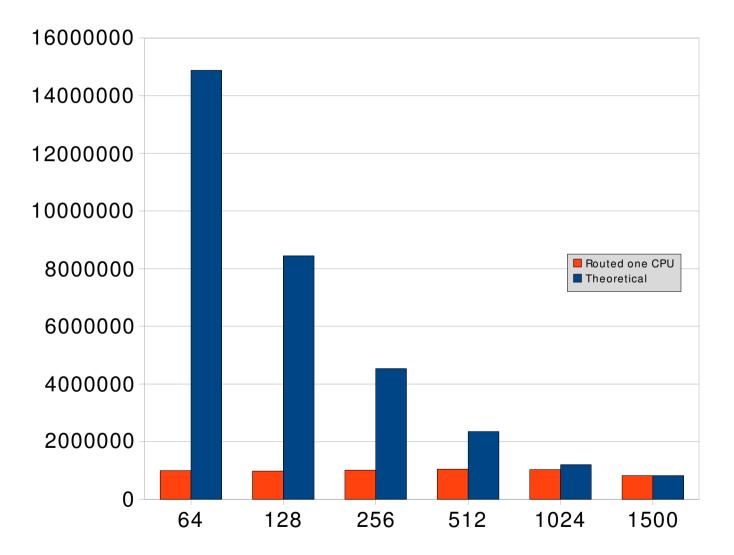
TX performance with 64 byte pkts Sending on 4 interfaces simultaneously. We reach 10 Mpps . (Packets Per Second)



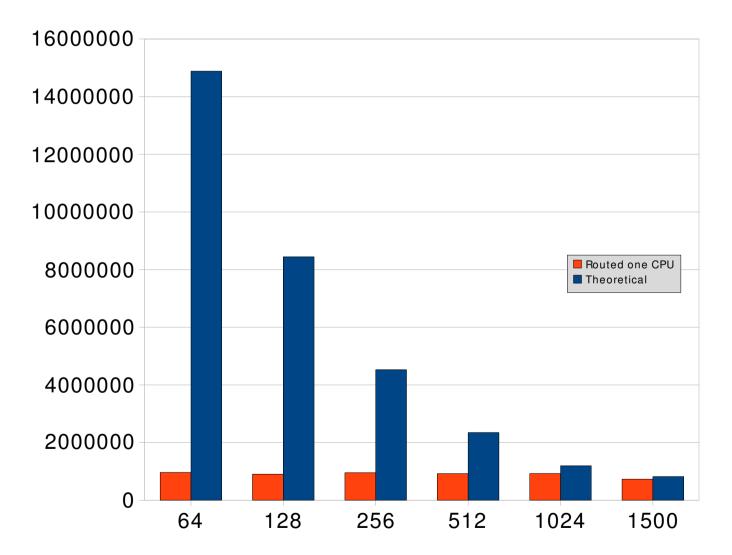
Distribution is fair and we reach about 10 Mpps in total. Exercise for latency etc.



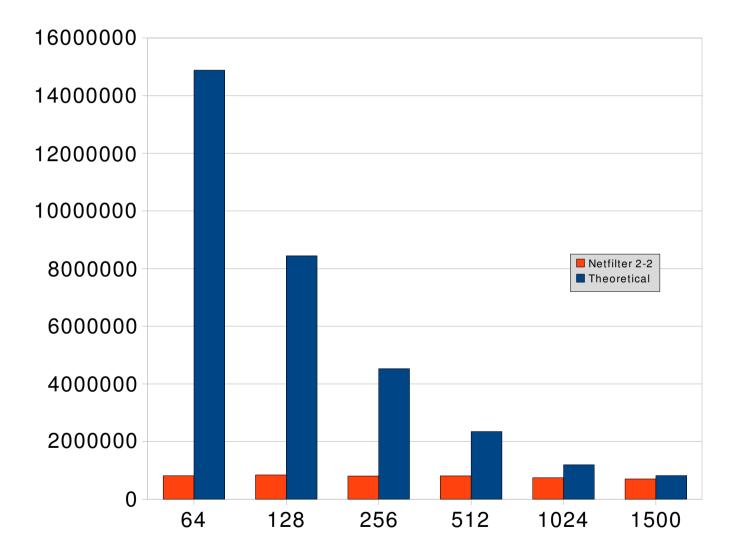
Single flow. No modules. IN 1-PORT -> OUT 2-Port



Single flow. No modules. IN 2-PORT -> OUT dummy0

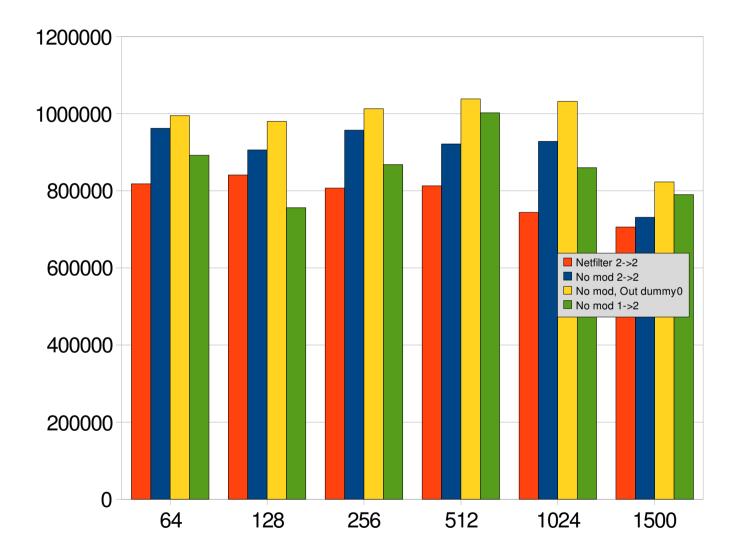


Single flow. No modules. IN 2-PORT -> OUT 2-PORT (Same NIC)



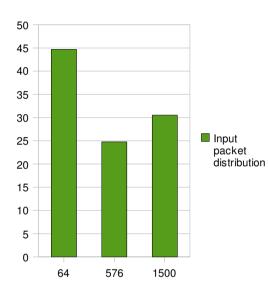
Single flow. Netfilter modules. IN 2-PORT -> OUT 2-PORT (Same NIC)

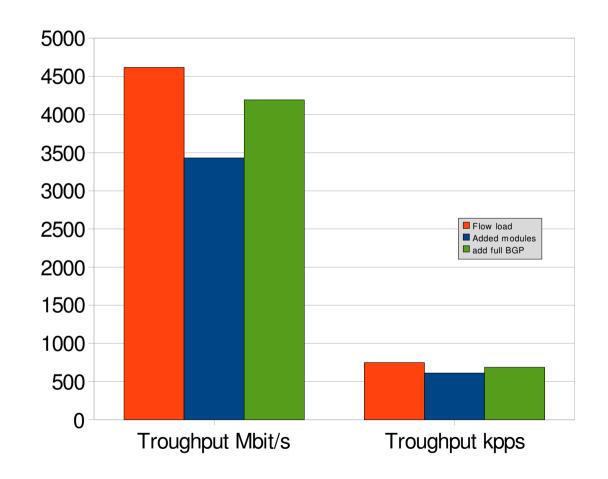
Routing performance comparison using one CPU different bus setups and modules



Non-multiqueue driver. Packet budget approx 900 kpps using one CPU So we route close to 10g wire speed with large packet sizes.

Routing performance comparison using one CPU flow load (forcing hash and fib lookups) and input 64, 512, 1500 bytes according to graph





Non-multiqueue driver.

What is the Multi-queue stuff?

Part of virtualization

Ability to share load among different CPU's

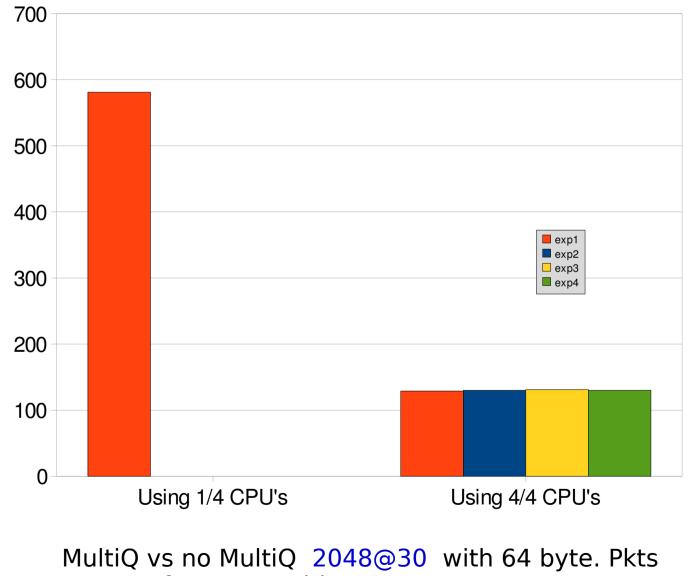
Ability classify and control network load at very high speed

Opens many new possibilities

Needs hardware support by Interface boards/chips

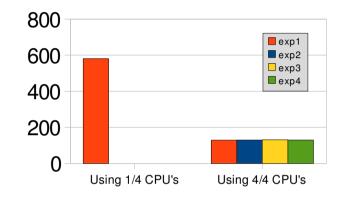
Needs software support by Operating System

Routing performance comparison using one CPU flow load (forcing hash and fib lookups) and pktsize 64, 512, 1500 bytes



Less performance with 4 CPU's!!

Routing performance comparison using one CPU flow load (forcing hash and fib lookups) and pktsize 64, 512, 1500 bytes



All very exciting we run per-CPU parallel until we hit TX. dev_queue_xmit, __qdisc_run

Virtual TX is needed

More and exciting work needed....;)

Questions Please....

A new network symbol has been seen...

The Penguin Has Landed

