
Subject: Re: dual nic environment

Posted by [rudal](#) on Mon, 16 Oct 2006 17:16:44 GMT

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Hello Andrew,
below is the requested information:

An external machine with 10.2.4.9 IP address is pinging the 10.2.5.2 (currently attached to the VE.)

The HW node has an IP of

```
eth1:0  Link encap:Ethernet  HWaddr 00:0E:0C:7F:0E:D6
        inet addr:10.2.4.124  Bcast:10.2.7.255  Mask:255.255.252.0
        UP BROADCAST RUNNING MULTICAST  MTU:1500  Metric:1
```

From inside a VPS:

```
-bash-3.00# tcpdump -nni venet0
09:47:50.704721 IP 10.2.4.9 > 10.2.5.2: icmp 64: echo request seq 5
09:47:50.704745 IP 10.2.5.2 > 10.2.4.9: icmp 64: echo reply seq 5
09:47:51.704670 IP 10.2.4.9 > 10.2.5.2: icmp 64: echo request seq 6
09:47:51.704696 IP 10.2.5.2 > 10.2.4.9: icmp 64: echo reply seq 6
09:47:52.704606 IP 10.2.4.9 > 10.2.5.2: icmp 64: echo request seq 7
09:47:52.704630 IP 10.2.5.2 > 10.2.4.9: icmp 64: echo reply seq 7
09:47:53.704574 IP 10.2.4.9 > 10.2.5.2: icmp 64: echo request seq 8
09:47:53.704601 IP 10.2.5.2 > 10.2.4.9: icmp 64: echo reply seq 8
```

From inside the HN on eth1:

```
09:50:45.372464 IP 10.2.4.9 > 10.2.5.2: icmp 64: echo request seq 5
09:50:45.372490 IP 10.2.5.2 > 10.2.4.9: icmp 64: echo reply seq 5
09:50:46.373410 IP 10.2.4.9 > 10.2.5.2: icmp 64: echo request seq 6
09:50:46.373439 IP 10.2.5.2 > 10.2.4.9: icmp 64: echo reply seq 6
09:50:47.373368 IP 10.2.4.9 > 10.2.5.2: icmp 64: echo request seq 7
09:50:47.373408 IP 10.2.5.2 > 10.2.4.9: icmp 64: echo reply seq 7
09:50:48.374317 IP 10.2.4.9 > 10.2.5.2: icmp 64: echo request seq 8
09:50:48.374342 IP 10.2.5.2 > 10.2.4.9: icmp 64: echo reply seq 8
```

From inside the HN on venet0:

```
09:56:26.916456 IP 10.2.4.9 > 10.2.5.2: icmp 64: echo request seq 5
09:56:26.916533 IP 10.2.5.2 > 10.2.4.9: icmp 64: echo reply seq 5
09:56:27.917379 IP 10.2.4.9 > 10.2.5.2: icmp 64: echo request seq 6
09:56:27.917411 IP 10.2.5.2 > 10.2.4.9: icmp 64: echo reply seq 6
09:56:28.918339 IP 10.2.4.9 > 10.2.5.2: icmp 64: echo request seq 7
09:56:28.918367 IP 10.2.5.2 > 10.2.4.9: icmp 64: echo reply seq 7
09:56:29.919429 IP 10.2.4.9 > 10.2.5.2: icmp 64: echo request seq 8
```

09:56:29.919454 IP 10.2.5.2 > 10.2.4.9: icmp 64: echo reply seq 8

So now I tried to ping from inside the VE to the external machine:

```
-bash-3.00# ping 10.2.4.9  
PING 10.2.4.9 (10.2.4.9) 56(84) bytes of data.
```

and at the same time on the HW node: (xx.xxx.x.27 is a public IP on the eth0 of the HW node)

```
tcpdump -nni venet0
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```
09:58:55.591271 IP xx.xxx.x.27 > 10.2.4.9: icmp 64: echo request seq 10  
09:58:56.591045 IP xx.xxx.x.27 > 10.2.4.9: icmp 64: echo request seq 11  
09:58:57.590816 IP xx.xxx.x.27 > 10.2.4.9: icmp 64: echo request seq 12  
09:58:58.590591 IP xx.xxx.x.27 > 10.2.4.9: icmp 64: echo request seq 13  
09:58:59.590362 IP xx.xxx.x.27 > 10.2.4.9: icmp 64: echo request seq 14  
09:59:00.590136 IP xx.xxx.x.27 > 10.2.4.9: icmp 64: echo request seq 15  
09:59:01.589909 IP xx.xxx.x.27 > 10.2.4.9: icmp 64: echo request seq 16
```

So apparently, the VE uses eth0 as the outgoing interface? But pinging from the outside to the VE, seems to have worked and the VE knew which interface to use, but not the other way?

My understanding will be since the VE outgoing interface (if initiated from inside the VE) will be defaulted (bounded) to eth0 (packet header will have a source interface of eth0)? But if it's initiated from the outside, and the packet header has a source interface eth1, then the VE will use that source interface to return the echo back to the sender, is that correct?

Hope the information above helps.

Thanks.
