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On-Stick devices support

[FastDPI 12+]

On-stick devices are a good way to save on physical hardware. Fastdpi usually bridges two physical ports (devices). For an on-stick device there is one physical port on which Fastdpi itself creates virtual ports – on the subscriber (subs) and internet (inet) sides.

Each on-stick port is described in a special way: first the base physical port is described with dpdk_device, then the virtual ports based on the physical port are described:

```
# base physical port description
dpdk device=port1:pci:04:00.0
# on-stick (based on port1 device) description:
onstick device {
    # base device
    base=port1
    # a logical expression to determine the direction of the packet (filter)
    # If this expression returns true, it means that the package is from the
subs side,
    # otherwise - from the inet side.
    filter=<subs-side filter expression>
    # Name of the device from the subs side
    subs=subs1
    # Name of the device from the inet side
    inet=inet1
}
# Set the bridges
# The base device port1 CANNOT be part of any bridges
in dev=subs1
out dev=inet1
```

Wherever you need to specify a device, you should use virtual devices (in this example subs1 and inet1). The base on-stick device port1 is specified only when describing the on-stick device and nowhere else.

The most important part of the on-stick port description is the filter expression to determine the packet direction (subs \rightarrow inet or inet \rightarrow subs). Packet direction is a significant packet attribute in fastdpi, on which the processing depends. filter specifies a logical expression over the L2 properties of the packet. If it returns ``true`` - the packet is from the subs (subscribers), otherwise - it is from inet side (uplink, internet). Filter is based on terms which are combined into a logical expression with the & (AND) and | (OR) operators, brackets (and), and the negation !. The & operator has higher priority than |; similarly to arithmetic expressions, we can think of & as multiplication and | as addition - this is the basis for bracketing. The terms specify elementary

expressions over the L2 properties of a package. There are the following terms (case matters):

- vlan(list) single VLAN packet with the specified VLAN numbers, for example: vlan(56,78,890)
- vlan packet with any single VLAN
- qinq Q-in-Q-packet
- pppoe PPPoE-packet
- smac(MAC-адрес) source MAC address of the packet, e.g.: smac(01:02:03:04:05:06)
- dmac(MAC-адрес) destination MAC address of the packet, e.g.: dmac(01:02:03:04:05:07)

Examples (recall that filter defines an expression for the subs side):

- the Q-in-Q network on the subscriber side is terminated in a single VLAN: filter=qinq
- heterogeneous network: Q-in-Q or PPPoE on subscriber side in VLAN: filter=qinq | pppoe. Here the fact that PPPoE is enclosed in a VLAN does not matter: PPPoE is terminated by BRAS, so that PPPoE on the inet side is not possible.
- single VLAN network, on the inet side VLAN=609, all other VLANs are subs: filter=vlan && !vlan(609). Here we need to explain in more detail. For the inet side the filter expression would look like this: filter=vlan(609), but the filter here sets the expression for the subs side, so it seems that a negation is enough: filter=!vlan(609). But this expression will be true for any packet except the packet with VLAN=609, even without VLAN. Therefore, you should specify that the packet must contain a single VLAN tag, excluding VLAN=609: filter=vlan && !vlan(609)
- on the inet side, the MAC address of the border is 3c:fd:fe:ed:b8:ad: filter=!smac(3c:fd:fe:ed:b8:ad) - all packets with a source MAC not equal to the border MAC address are packets from the subs side.

A formal description of the filter expression:

```
filter ::= and | and '|' filter
and
       ::= mult | mult '&' and
       ::= '!' mult | term | '(' filter ')'
mult
       ::= vlan | qinq | pppoe | smac | dmac
term
       ::= 'vlan' | 'vlan' '(' list int ')'
vlan
qinq
       ::= 'qinq'
pppoe ::= 'pppoe'
       ::= 'smac' '(' mac_address ')'
smac
       ::= 'dmac' '(' mac address ')'
dmac
mac address ::= xx:xx:xx:xx:xx:xx
```