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1.1 Revision History

DATE	VERSION	EDITOR	CHANGES						
15 Mar 2024	0.1	Ariya Parsamanesh	Initial creation						
17 Mar 2024	0.2	Ariya Parsamanesh	Added the CL2 with authentication						

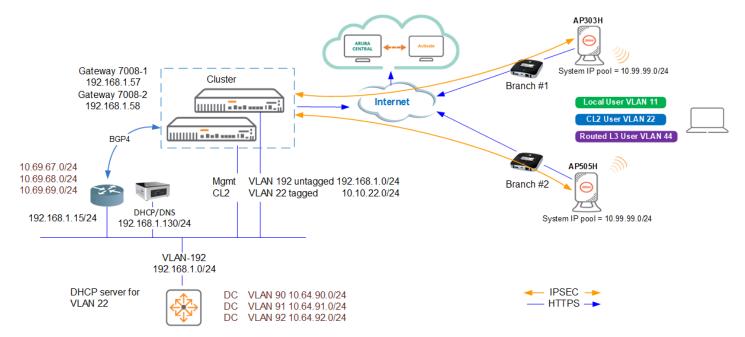
2 Microbranch with AOS10

AOS 10.x enables APs in remote sites to use most of the SD-WAN features and be managed by Aruba Central. For Micro Branch deployments, AOS 10.x currently supports deployment of a single AP as a Micro Branch AP in remote sites. The AOS 10.x enables these APs to form orchestrated IPsec tunnels to the Gateway cluster.

Microbranch APs support

- Orchestrated tunnels and routes (hub & spoke)
- VPNC Clustering
- PBR for local breakout (incl. 1st packet classification)
- Gateway Like WAN Monitoring
- Cloud Security Orchestration (Aruba AXIS, ZScaler, etc)

The topology that we'll be deploying is as shown below.



This is a 5x parts microbranch series. The aim here is to provide the starting point to put together a solution that include the AOS10 APs as microbranch, two VPNCs that are clustered along with Aruba Central to configure and monitor the solution.

- Part1 Solution overview, basic configuration and testing of VPNC and AOS10 AP
- Part2 Centralised L2 forwarding mode with authentication and policy-based routing
- Part3 NATed Layer 3 forwarding mode with centralised authentication proxy
- Part4 Routed Layer 3 forwarding mode with centralised authentication proxy
- Part5 Overlay Route Orchestrator, route summarisation, BGP routes redistribution and monitoring

2.1 Things you need

- Two AOS10 APs running 10.4.0.2 or later
- AOS10 VPNCs running 10.4.0.2 or later
- Aruba Central account with eval licenses.
- LAN switch
- Operational Internet link

2.2 IP Addressing

This tables shows the IP addressing, subnets and routes that we'll be using.

	System IP Pool	Local VLAN (SNAT)	Centralised L2	Routed L3 (shared Pool)	Configured Routes
	Used for Tunnel-inner-ip	VLAN11	VLAN22	VLAN44	
Microbranch1	10.99.99.7/32	10.11.11.1/24		10.44.44.81/28	
Microbranch2	10.99.99.4/32	10.11.11.1/24		10.44.44.17/28	
DC DHCP server			10.10.22.1/24		
VPNC 1	192.168.1.57/24				
VPNC 2	192.168.1.58/24				
VPNC – static routes					10.64.90.0/24 10.64.91.0/24 10.64.92.0/24
VPNC – BGP routes					10.69.67.0/24 10.69.68.0/24 10.69.69.0/24

3 Microbranch Centralised L2 Configuration

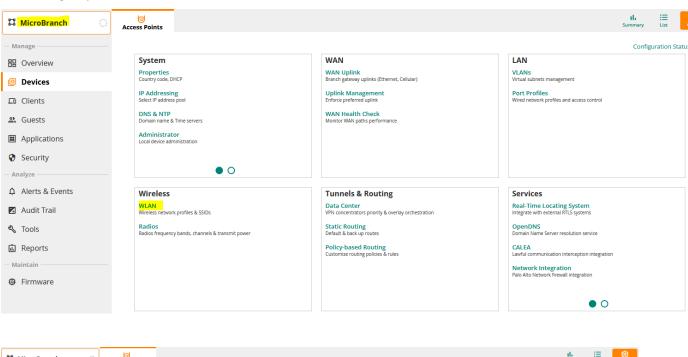
In this section we'll configure the SSID for centralised Layer 2. In this mode

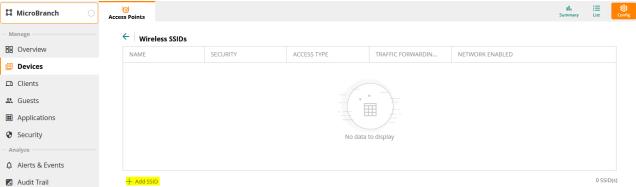
- DHCP service for the VLAN is performed by the DHCP server in the DC.
- The client traffic to DC is sourced with the client's IP address and no NATing is performed
- Other routes in DC needs PBR to be configured for the CL2 client to overwrite the default split tunnelling behaviour
- Client traffic to Internet is done through split tunnel at the AP even though it has a default gateway which is in DC and it will be source NAT with the AP's uplink IP address.

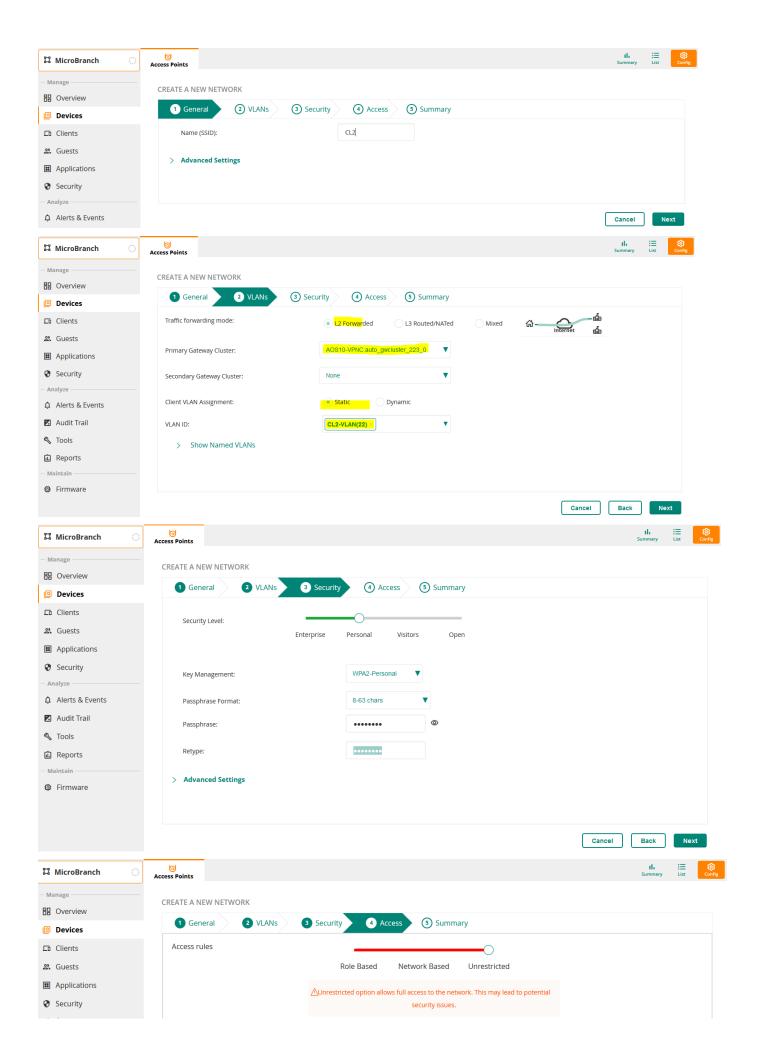
Note that since we have a VPNC cluster the cluster will be the RADIUS proxy for CL2 mode SSID.

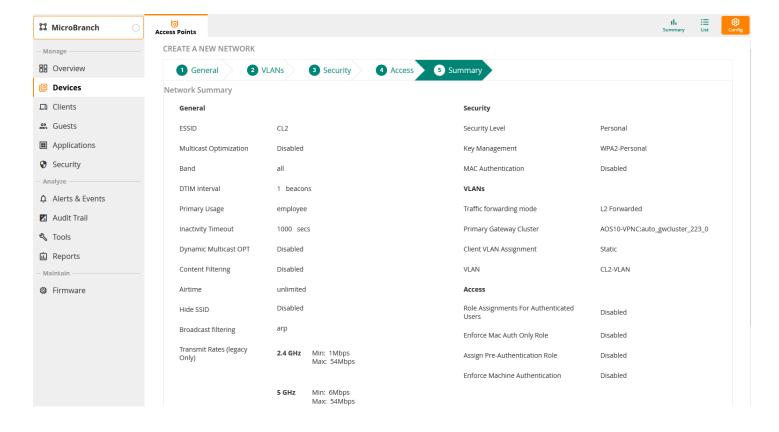
3.1 CL2 WLAN Configuration

From the group level we'll add a CL2 SSID.

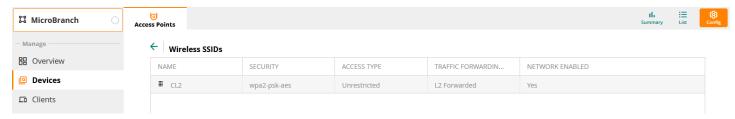






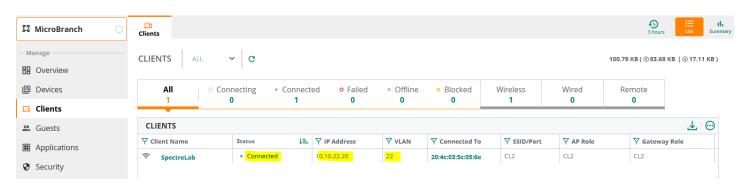


Now that we have configured our CL2 SSID, we'll get a client to connect to it.

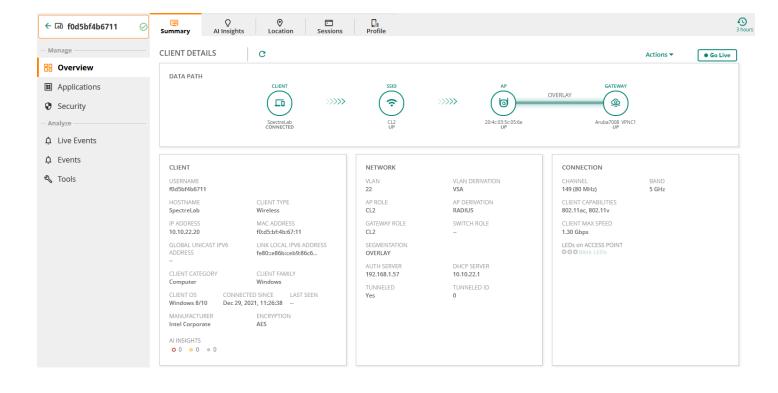


3.2 CL2 SSID Testing

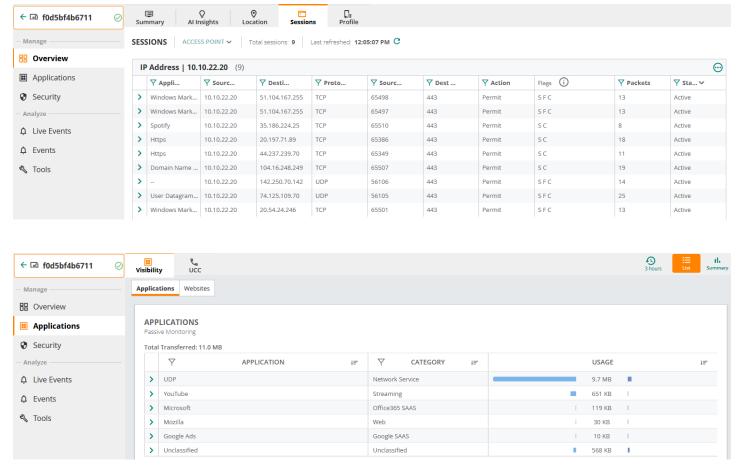
We'll get a client to connect to this SSID.



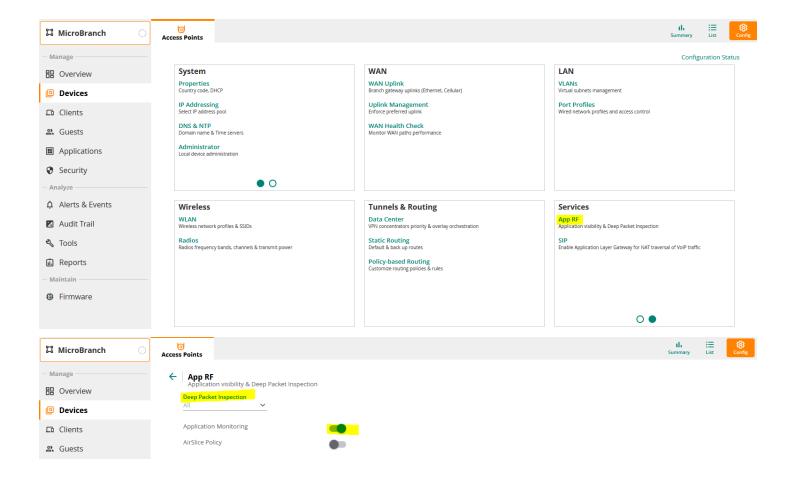
Once you click on the client's name you get the client details.



We can also check the sessions and the Applications for this user



Note that for the application to be visible here, you need to enable AppRF.



Here is the IP address info from the client.

```
:\>ipconfig
Windows IP Configuration
Wireless LAN adapter Local Area Connection* 1:
   Media State . . . . . . . . : Media disconnected Connection-specific DNS Suffix . :
Wireless LAN adapter Local Area Connection* 10:
   Media State . . . . . . . . . . : Media disconnected Connection-specific DNS Suffix \, . :
 Wireless LAN adapter Wi-Fi:
   Link-local IPv6 Address . . . . : fe80::e86b:ceb9:86c6:b5eb%6
IPv4 Address . . . . : 10.10.22.20
Subnet Mask . . . . : 255.255.255.0
   Default Gateway . . . . . . . : 10.10.22.1
C:\>ping 10.10.22.1
Pinging 10.10.22.1 with 32 bytes of data:
Reply from 10.10.22.1: bytes=32 time=58ms TTL=255
Reply from 10.10.22.1: bytes=32 time=68ms TTL=255
Reply from 10.10.22.1: bytes=32 time=63ms TTL=255
Reply from 10.10.22.1: bytes=32 time=34ms TTL=255
Ping statistics for 10.10.22.1:
 Packets: Sent = 4, Received = 4, Lost = 0 (0% loss),
Approximate round trip times in milli-seconds:
     Minimum = 34ms, Maximum = 68ms, Average = 55ms
```

Note that we can successfully ping the default gateway 10.10.22.1 but as stated before the AP performs split tunnel for any other traffic that is not on 10.10.22.0/24 and hence it uses the AP's default route. Hence, we cannot ping any of the DC routes like 10.64.90.0/24, 10.64.91.0/24 and 10.64.92.0/24

Here is the number of CLI commands that you can run on the AP.

```
Client List
                                                  OS ESSID Access Point
Name
             IP Address MAC Address
                                                                                          Channel
                                    Signal Speed (mbps)
Type Role IPv6 Address
f0d5bf4b6711 10.10.22.20 f0:d5:bf:4b:67:11 Win 10 CL2
                                                                    20:4c:03:5c:05:6e 149E
  CL2 fe80::e86b:ceb9:86c6:b5eb 67(good) 866(good)
Number of Clients :1
Info timestamp
                     :11663
20:4c:03:5c:05:6e#
20:4c:03:5c:05:6e# sh datapath session
Datapath Session Table Entries
Flags: A - Application Firewall Inspect
      C - client, D - deny, E - Media Deep Inspect
      F - fast age, G - media signal, H - high prio
      I - Deep inspect, L - ALG session, M - mirror, N - dest NAT
      O - Session is programmed through SDN/Openflow controller
      P - set prio, R - redirect, S - src NAT
      T - set ToS, U - Locally destined, V - VOIP
      X - Http/https redirect for dpi denied session
      Y - no syn
      a - rtp analysis, h - Https redirect error page
      i - in offload flow, m - media mon
      p - Session is marked as permanent
      s - media signal
      d - DPI cache hit
RAP Flags: 0 - Q0, 1 - Q1, 2 - Q2, r - redirect to conductor, t - time based, i - in flow
Flow Offload Blacklist Flags: O - Openflow, E - Default, U - User os unknown, T - Tunnel
Source IP
               Destination IP Prot SPort Dport Cntr Prio ToS Age Destination TAge Packets Bytes Flags
Offload flags
10.10.22.20
                204.79.197.203
                                   49222 443
                                              0
                                                  0
                                                       0
                                                              dev27
                                                                         30
0.10.22.20
                10.10.22.1
                                        2048
                                                              dev27
0.10.22.20
                10.10.22.1
                                   5.0
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0.10.22.20
                10.10.22.1
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                                  48
65317 443
                              17
                                              0 0 0
0 0 0
10.10.22.20
           74.123.10.
                74.125.109.42
                                                                         1d
                                                                             2f
                                                                                     e95
                                                           1
                                                              dev27
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                                                         1 de.2
                             6
                                                                         3864 14
10.10.22.20
                                                                                     a 2.8
                                                                                           SCi
10.10.22.20
             20.54.24.246
                                   49220 443
                                                  0
 0.10.22.1
           10.10.22.20
                                                              dev2
0.10.22.1
               10.10.22.20
                                                              dev27
                                                                         23
                                                       56
                                                                                     3c
                                             0
0.10.22.1
               10.10.22.20
                                   51
                                        0
                                                      56 1
                                                              dev27
                                                                                     3с
                                                                                          FT
                                                  0
                                                                         14
                                                                                     30
10.10.22.20 104.16.248.249 6 65507 443 0 0 0 1 dev27 2759 41d 1df6d SCi
               142.250.70.142 17
1.1.1.1 17
                                  56106 443 0
50409 53 0
                                                  0 0 0 dev27
0 0 0 dev27
                                                                         2d 8
31 2
10.10.22.20
                                                                                     8c5 FSCi
10.10.22.20
                                                                                     72
                                                                                          FSCIAd E
                                              Ω
               20.197.71.89 6
10.10.22.20
                                  49174 443 0 0 0 56 dev27
                                                                        1b47 f
                                                                                    d50 Sci
20:4c:03:5c:05:6e#
```

Here the traffic is getting source NATed for all except the one that is bound for 10.10.22.0/24

20:4c:03:5c:05:6e# sh clients

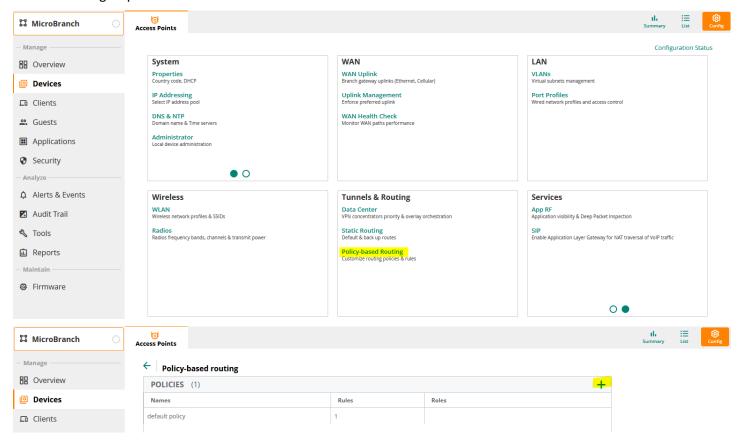
Remember we have 3x datacentre VLANs (10.64.90.0/24, 10.64.91.0/24 and 10.64.92.0/24) when I try to ping 10.64.90.1 from the client that is connected to CL2 SSID, the ping fails. You can use this command to check if the traffic is going through the IPSEC tunnel or is AP split tunnelling it.

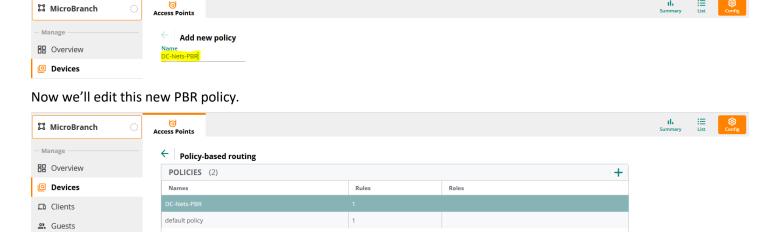
```
0.0.0.0
                0.0.0.0
                                 192.168.2.1
                                                      0 4092
169.254.0.0
                 255.255.0.0
                                  169.254.1.1
                                                      0
                                                        4092
                                                              LΡ
172.31.98.0
                 255.255.254.0
                                  172.31.98.1
                                                      0
                                                         3333
                                                               D
192.168.2.0
                 255.255.255.0
                                  192.168.2.50
                                                      0 4092
                                                              LΡ
Route Cache Entries
Flags: L - local, P - Permanent, T - Tunnel, I - IPsec, M - Mobile, A - ARP, D - Drop, G
-3G/4G
      ΙP
                      MAC
                                       VLAN
                                                 Flags
                                                            TunIdx
                B0:B9:8A:A6:CA:3A
                                           4092
1.1.1.1
10.64.90.1
                 B0:B9:8A:A6:CA:3A
                                           4092
192.168.1.57
              00:00:00:00:00:00
                                   tunnel
                                             26
                                                                 1
                                                 РΤ
192.168.2.1
                B0:B9:8A:A6:CA:3A
                                           4092 A
10.99.99.1
                 20:4C:03:5C:05:6E
                                           4092
                                                Τ<sub>ι</sub>Ρ
192.168.2.50
                20:4C:03:5C:05:6E
                                           4092
                                                Τ.P
                                           4092
20.197.71.89
                B0:B9:8A:A6:CA:3A
142.250.70.142
                                           4092
                B0:B9:8A:A6:CA:3A
10.10.22.20
                F0:D5:BF:4B:67:11
                                            22
172.31.98.1
                                           3333
                 20:4C:03:5C:05:6E
                                                 LP
74.125.109.42
                                           4092
                 B0:B9:8A:A6:CA:3A
169.254.1.1
                 20:4C:03:5C:05:6E
                                           4092
                                                 LΡ
184.85.81.146
                 B0:B9:8A:A6:CA:3A
                                           4092
20:4c:03:5c:05:6e#
```

In the above output we see that the traffic is using VLAN 4092 which is the AP's uplink VLAN.

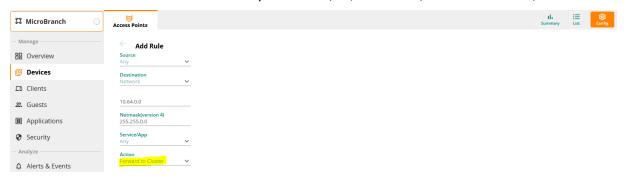
3.3 Policy Based Routing

Here we'll configure a Policy Based Routing (PBR) so that the CL2 user can reach the data centre routes. As always, we'll start from the group level for the microbranch AP.





Note that we have 3x DC networks namely 10.64.90.0/24, 10.64.91.0/24 and 10.64.92.0/24



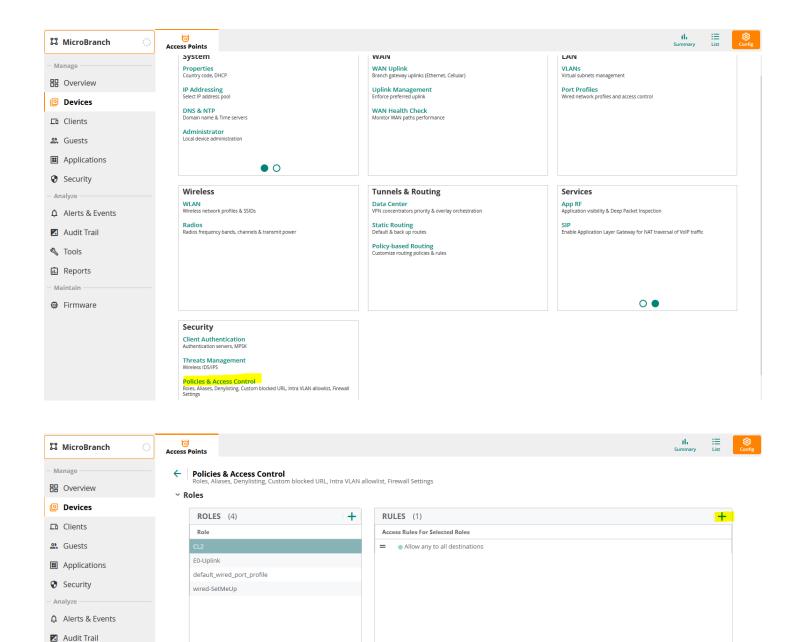
So, once we have saved it,

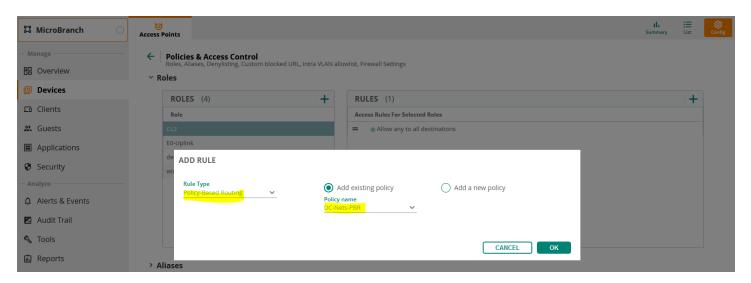


So now we have 2x rules in our PBR policy



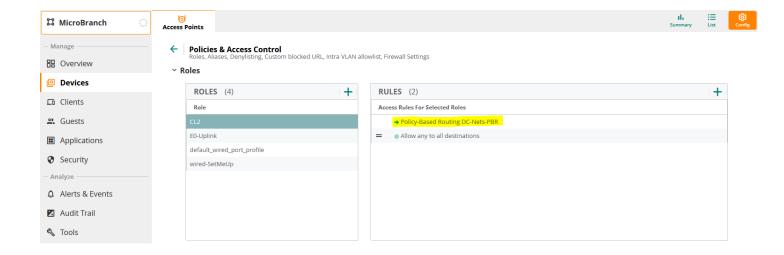
We should now apply this to the user role.



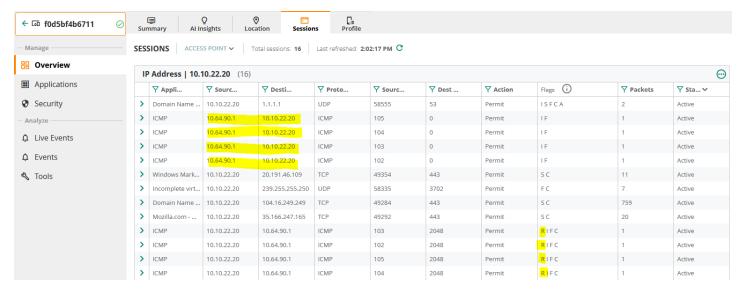


Once we save it, it gets displayed as a rule for CL2 user role.

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Now we need to disconnect the CL2 user and reconnect it for the new policy to get applied and will ping 10.64.90.1 The ping is successful this time as we can see it in the session table. Note the "R" flag that means the traffic is redirected.

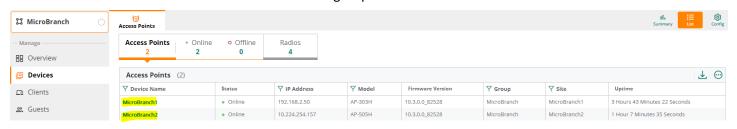


Also checking the datapath session command on the AP.

20:4c:03:5c:05:6e# sh datapath session incl 10.64													
10.64.90.1	10.10.22.20	1	97	0	0	0	56	0	<u>cluster</u>	4	1	3с	FI
10.64.90.1	10.10.22.20	1	96	0	0	0	56	0	<mark>cluster</mark>	9	1	3с	FI
10.64.90.1	10.10.22.20	1	95	0	0	0	56	0	<mark>cluster</mark>	е	1	3с	FI
10.64.90.1	10.10.22.20	1	94	0	0	0	56	0	<mark>cluster</mark>	13	1	3с	FI
10.10.22.20	10.64.90.1	1	97	2048	0	0	0	0	cluster	4	1	3с	FRCI
10.10.22.20	10.64.90.1	1	96	2048	0	0	0	0	cluster	9	1	3с	FRCI
10.10.22.20	10.64.90.1	1	95	2048	0	0	0	0	cluster	е	1	3с	FRCI
10.10.22.20	10.64.90.1	1	94	2048	0	0	0	0	cluster	13	1	3с	FRCI
20:4c:03:5c:05:6e#													

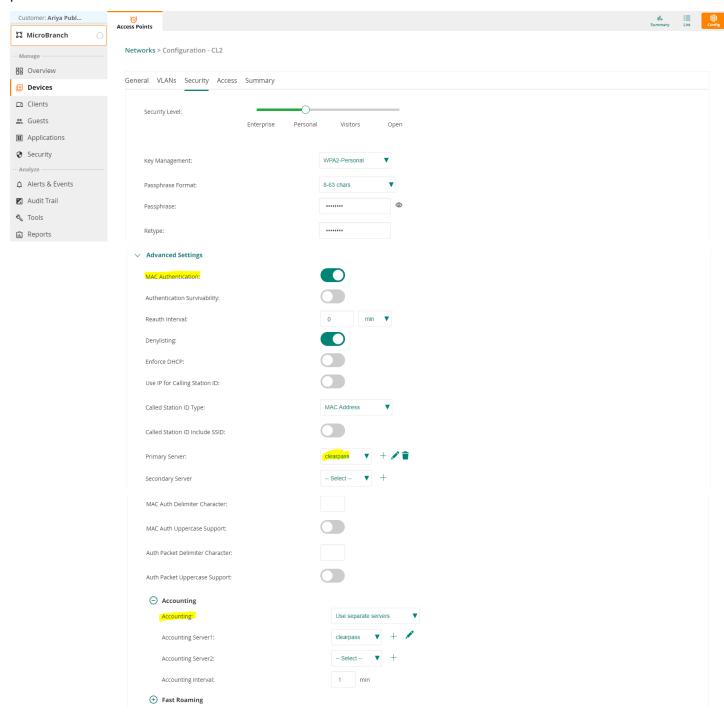
3.4 Adding Another Microbranch AP

Here we'll add the second microbranch AP, using the same process we described earlier and upgrade it to AOS10.5.1.0 The new AP-505H is then added to same microbranch group. I have renamed the APs to Microbranch 1 and 2



3.5 CL2 With Authentication

Here we have added a MAC auth to our PSK based SSID just to demonstrate what happens during the authentication process.

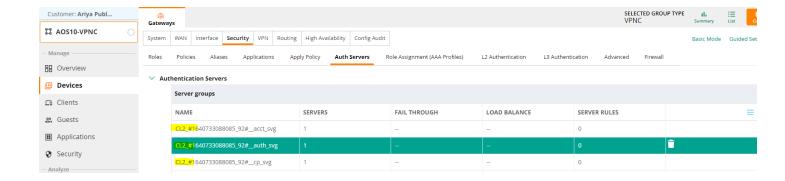


You should note that you need to create the authentication server from within the above workflow.

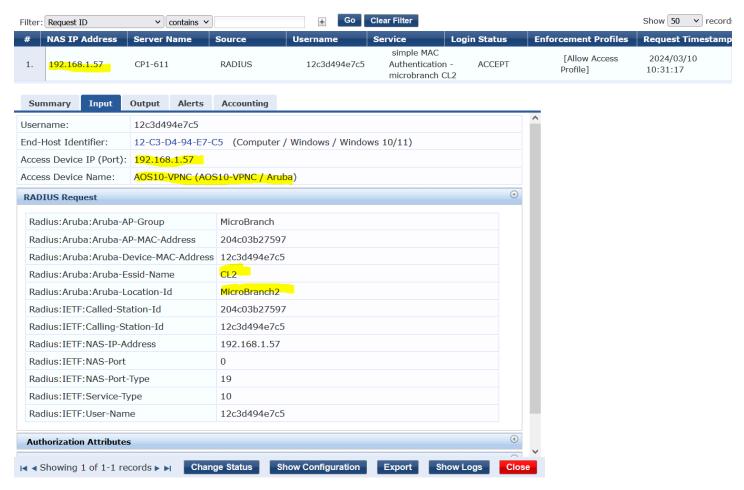


You can also configure the auth servers in VPNCs and then select it from the above workflow.

Once you save the above modification and you have saved it then all that info gets sets sent to VPNCs.



Once that is done, we get a user to connect back to CL2 SSID from microbranch2.



Note that the AP is named as MicroBranch2 which was previously configured and that the SSID name "CL2" is proxied by the VPNC.

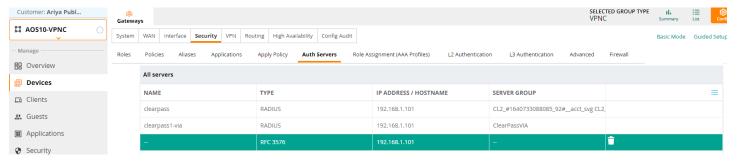
```
(Aruba7008_VPNC1) #show user
This operation can take a while depending on number of users. Please be patient ....

Users
----
IP MAC Name Role Age(d:h:m) Auth VPN link
Connected To Roaming Essid/Bssid/Phy Profile Forward
mode Type Host Name User Type
```

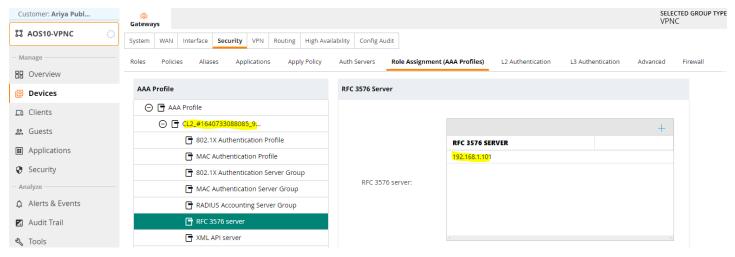
```
10.10.22.33 12:c3:d4:94:e7:c5 12c3d494e7c5 CL2 00:00:05 MAC N/A Wireless CL2/20:4c:03:b2:75:97/N/A CL2_#1640733088085_92#_ dtunnel WIRELESS

User Entries: 1/1
    Curr/Cum Alloc:1/1 Free:0/0 Dyn:1 AllocErr:0 FreeErr:0 (Aruba7008_VPNC1) #
```

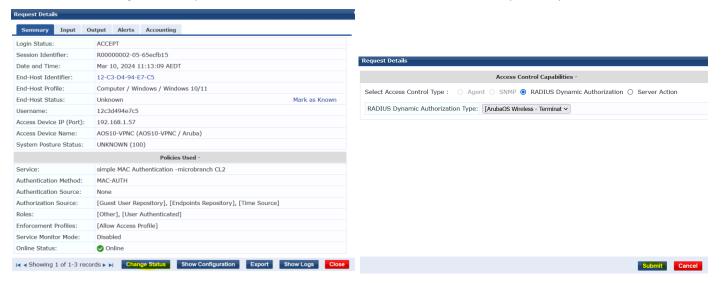
One thing that does not get pushed to VPNCs when you create the auth server from microbranch is the RFC3576 which you need to configure in VPNC group. This is used for CoA



And then reference it in the role assignment for CL2 as shown below.



Now with this configuration in place, ClearPass can send CoA to VPNCs. This is one quick way to test it.



This is the end of this part.