

MP01 Administrator Manual

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This document describes detailed information for the MP01, and it will guide you through the installation for setting up telephony system and providing Internet access with MP01.

1. Introduction

The MP01 is a WiFi mesh VoIP ATA (analog terminal adapter) operating in the license-exempt 2.4GHz ISM band. The MP01 is the first WiFi mesh ATA in the market, using a wireless mesh network as backhaul to interconnect phones and host LAN/WAN access to computers connected to its Ethernet port. MP01 WiFi mesh ATA helps you to build the wireless VoIP communication system with open hardware design and open source firmware. It provides affordable voice and data services for people.

1.1 Mesh networking

Mesh networking is a type of networking wherein each node in the network may act as an independent router, regardless of whether it is connected to another network or not. It allows for continuous connections and reconfiguration around broken or blocked paths by "hopping" from node to node until the destination is reached. A mesh network whose nodes are all connected to each other is a fully connected network. Mesh networks differ from other networks. Mesh networks can be seen as one type of ad hoc network.

Mesh networks are self-healing: the network can still operate when one node breaks down or a connection goes bad. As a result, the network may typically be very reliable, as there is often more than one path between a source and a destination in the network.

1.2 The client-MP01

MP01 is an 802.11b/g mesh router with a single FXS port and one 10/100Mbit Ethernet port. The Mesh Potato hardware and software is open. The power, Ethernet and FXS ports are robust in order to deal with developing-world conditions like static electricity, lightning, bad power and accidental abuse. It comes in a weatherproof box for outdoor mounting and costs about the same as any other Wi-Fi router.

An analogue phone connects to the MP01 via the FXS port. FXS (Foreign eXchange Station) is a telephone interface that supplies power, dial tone and generates ringing voltage. The mesh network can be augmented via backbone links and connected to the rest of the world using VoIP trunks.



1.3 Server

Only one computer is required to provide the services for the Telco system. This computer, called the VT Server, could be anything from a standard laptop to a high-end server for better redundancy. The services on this computer are made up of several elements including Afrimesh, A2Billing and A3Glue. The server part consists of several software elements.

Afrimesh

Afrimesh provides a simple management dashboard helping network operators create and sustain resilient communications networks with a minimum of fuss.

Featuring

- Powerful mesh network routing with B.A.T.M.A.N.
- Dynamic GIS visualization of your mesh on OpenStreetMap maps.
- Plan your network using the terrain elevation map.
- Visualize live health&traffic information for any mesh node.
- Keep inventory of your network devices.
- Monitor the health&usage of your Internet gateway.
- Monitor live network accounting information from pmacct.
- View network status & log messages in realtime.
- Customer management interface featuring FreeRADIUS support.
- Customer authentication featuring coova-chilli support.
- Online help and live chat support.
- Intelligent configuration assistance.
- Build and manage mesh networks even without an Internet connection.

A2Billing

A2Billing combined with Asterisk is a full featured telecom platform and softswitch providing converged services, with self contained billing (pre or post-paid), reporting and statistics for IP and TDM based voice networks and can be configured to supply a wide range of services, rate calls, prepare and send out invoices, as well as accept payments via a number of payment service providers.

The A2Billing solution comprises of the following components:

- Server: The computer to run the system.
- Line Interface Cards: The ATCOM telephony cards hardware (optional) to connect to the TDM network (PRI, BRI, Analogue)
- Linux: The base operating system
- Asterisk: The telephony engine
- Apache: The web server
- MySQL/Postgresql: The back end database
- A2Billing: The Billing engine handling Authentication, Authorization and



Accounting.

A3Glue

This is the glue, making Afrimesh, A2billing and the Mesh network work together. It gathers data from the network, provisioning the MP01 and make sure everything runs smoothly.

2. Scenarios and Installation Guide

2.1 Scenarios

Stand-alone installation

MP01s can be deployed from two units and you can make calls between them. You can then add more units to the network one at a time. You will be able to make calls and can have a closed network between the units. For the installation guide, please refer to ATCOM MP01 Quick Start Guide V1.0.pdf.

Telephony installation

Deploy the MP01 for telephony and add a SIP Provider or PSTN connection to the A2Billing server. This will allow for free calls between the units and cheaper international calls.

Internet Installations

Using the MP01s to provide Internet connection. The Internet traffic goes out through a common gateway. The community needs to pay for an Internet connection through an Internet Service Provider and share the costs between its members.

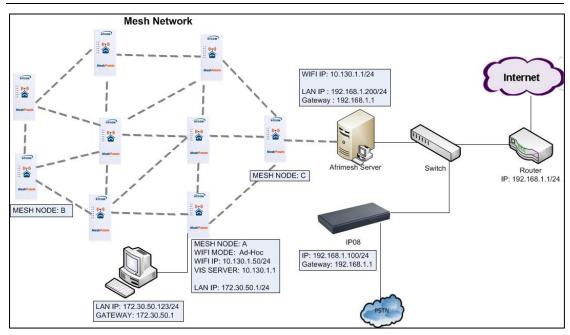
Combined Internet and Telephony installation

Deploy MP01s and use it both for Internet and telephony. You connect an Internet gateway for shared broadband for the users and telephony connection to call international.

2.2 Installation Guide

The network topology is shown as below. We are going to deploy a system like this.





In this network topology, all the MP01 is an extension and act as mesh node also. And VT Server is installed Afrimesh and act as a visualization server. We use IP08 as Asterisk server, and all the MP01 are registered to IP08.

The feature of this system is:

- Every MP01 has a WiFi IP and a phone number, the phone number is the same as the last digit of the WiFi IP, for example, the Mesh node A has a WiFi IP 10.130.1.50 and a phone number 50.
- Every MP01 can be a reply for other MP01. It means even MP01 B can't reach MP01 C directly, it can be still possible to reach MP01 C via MP01 A.
- MP01 can not only make internal calls, but international calls through IP08.
- It is very convenient to manage the mesh network on the VT Server.
- Any computer on the network should be able to talk to any other computer on the network. For example a computer connected to mesh node A should be able to download content from a web server connected to mesh node C.
- Computers connected to the MP01 by Ethernet port can access the Internet. The following steps will show you the configurations.

2.2.1 Afrimesh Server Setup

This installation assumes that you have installed Ubuntu 10.04 LTS on your server and have since updated and upgraded your packages. It also assumes you have a wireless driver that works in ad-hoc mode. And all the MP01s are running version rv233.

This has been testing on the computer with the following hardware:

CPU: Pentium Dual-Core E5200 2.5GHz

Memory: 2GB HDD: 40GB

Wireless Adapter: DrayTek Vigor N61 802.11n

1) Add the Afrimesh repository



sudo apt-add-repository ppa: afrimesh/ppa sudo apt-get update

2) Install supporting packages

sudo apt-get install batmand polipo villagetelco-dashboard

3) Install the batman visualisation server

wget http://download.villagetelco.org/vte/afrimesh/954/vis-i386-lucid sudo mv vis-i386-lucid /usr/local/sbin/

4) Configure pmacct

Edit /etc/pmacctd/pmacctd.conf to reflect the following:

!aggregate: src_host,dst_host aggregate: dst_host,dst_mac !pcap_filter: net 127.0.0.0/8 pcap_filter: net 10.130.1.0/24 interface: wlan0 # eth0 on VM

Restart pmacct

service pmacct restart

5) Configure snmpd

Edit /etc/default/snmpd to reflect the following:

SNMPDOPTS='-Lsd -Lf /dev/null -u snmp -g snmp -I -smux -p

/var/run/snmpd.pid'

/etc/snmp/snmpd.conf

#com2sec paranoid default public com2sec readonly default public

Restart snmpd

sudo /etc/init.d/snmpd restart

Test with:

snmpwalk -v 2c -c public 10.130.1.1 .1.3.6.1.2.1.2.2.1.2

6) Configure rsyslogd Edit /etc/default/rsyslog to reflect the following:

#RSYSLOGD_OPTIONS="-c4"
RSYSLOGD_OPTIONS="-c2 -r"

Restart rsyslogd

sudo service rsyslog restart

2.2.2 MP01 configuration for Afrimesh

Make sure that you have configured all the MP01s to have different WIFI IP like 10.130.1.X (X stands for 2-254). For the configuration guide, please refer to ATCOM MP01 Quick Start Guide V1.0.pdf.

1) Get the Afrimesh packages for the MP01 on Afrimesh Server

wget

http://download.villagetelco.org/vte/afrimesh/954/netcat_0.7.1-1_mips.ipk wget

http://download.villagetelco.org/vte/afrimesh/954/villagetelco-device_1.0pre-r954-1_mips.ipk



If you haven't already set the password on the MP01, do that now by telneting to 192.168.1.20 and issuing the 'passwd' command. This will enable ssh and you will be able to continue with the following.

2) Copy the packages to the MP01.

```
scp *ipk root@192.168.1.20:/root
```

3) Login into the MP01

```
ssh root@192.168.1.20
```

4) Install and configure the packages on MP01 (Answer 'Y' when asked to replace /etc/config/afrimesh)

```
opkg install netcat_0.7.1-1_mips.ipk
opkg install villagetelco-device_1.0pre-r954-1_mips.ipk
/etc/init.d/provision enable
chmod -R a+rw /etc/config
uci set batmand.general.routing_class=1
uci set afrimesh.settings.root=10.130.1.1
uci set batmand.general.visualisation_srv=10.130.1.1
uci set system.@system[0].log_ip=10.130.1.1
uci commit
reboot
```

5) Configure DNS for MP01

Edit /etc/resolv.conf to reflect the following:

```
nameserver 141.1.1.1
```

2.2.3 Start up the Afrimesh Dashboard

You may be able to make this all work with the Network Manager but I ran into problems and disabled it. So, first kill the network-manager and stop any versions of batmand that might be running. You may wish to paste the below into a script for convenience. The commands should be run as root.

stop network-manager

```
killall NetworkManager
```

killall batmand

Then start your wireless interface. Replace wlan0 if necessary with whatever your wireless device.

```
ifconfig wlan0 down
```

iwconfig wlan0 mode ad-hoc

ifconfig wlan0 up

ifconfig wlan0 10.130.1.1/24

iwconfig wlan0 essid potato

iwconfig wlan0 channel 1

iwconfig wlan0 ap 01: CA: FF: EE: BA: BE

Assuming your wired Ethernet port is connected, you can set up that connectivity as well. If your Ethernet port is not eth0, adjust as appropriate.

```
iptables --flush
```

iptables --table nat --flush

8



iptables --table nat --append POSTROUTING --out-interface eth0 -j MASQUERADE

iptables --append FORWARD --in-interface wlan0 -j ACCEPT echo 1 > /proc/sys/net/ipv4/ip_forward

Now start the visualisation server. Initially, it is worth doing this in a separate terminal window so that you can monitor the server. Substitute your wireless device if not wlan0.

/usr/local/sbin/vis-i386-lucid -d1 -j wlan0

Finally start the batman server. Once again, substitute your wireless device if not wlan0.

batmand -d1 -s 10.130.1.1 -g 100mbit -a 192.168.1.0/24 wlan0

You're now ready to use Afrimesh. Launch Firefox and point your browser at http://localhost/afrimesh, you will see the Afrimesh page as below:



Note: Before plugging in any MP01s, don't forget to go to the settings page and set the longitude and latitude for your location.

Now you can plug in your MP01 and wait for the bouncing blue ball to appear and the MP01's phone to ring.

If you want to clear Afrimesh's database and start again, execute the following: redis-cli flushdb

After finishing these, you should be able to manage the mesh network on Afrimesh Dashboard.

2.2.4 Configure the MP01 to make international calls

Before configuring the MP01, make sure that you can use IP phone which is registered to the IP08 to make international calls.

Assume that you have assigned a SIP account 6015 for MP01.

1) On MP01, edit /etc/asterisk/sip.conf and add some lines as below:



```
[general]
register=6015:6015@192.168.1.100

[6015]
host=192.168.1.100
secret=6015
username=6015
insecure=very
type=friend
disallow=all
allow=gsm,ulaw,alaw
dtmfmode=rfc2833
qualify=yes
canreinvite=no
nat=yes
context=default
```

```
2) On MP01, edit /etc/asterisk/extension.conf and add some lines as below:
[default]
exten => _9.,1,Dial(SIP/6015/${EXTEN:1})
```

3) Assume that the outgoing calling rules on IPO8 is '88+phone number', then you can use MPO1 to make international calls by dialing '988+phone number'.

2.2.5 Configure the MP01 to let the computers connected to it by Ethernet port can access the Internet

1) Paste the below into a script named meshclientgw.sh and save it to /bin on MP01.

```
#!/bin/sh
# This script has been tested with the ash shell from BusyBox.
# Written by Elektra

OLD_WIFIO_IP=`uci show network.wifiO.ipaddr | cut -d = -f 2`

if [ -z $OLD_WIFIO_IP ]
then
echo "You need to set a IP address for the wifiO interface
before running this script."
exit 1
fi

/etc/init.d/batmand /etc/rc.d/S90batmand

OCTET_A=`uci show network.wifiO.ipaddr | cut -d = -f2 | cut -d . -f1`
```



```
OCTET B=`uci show network.wifi0.ipaddr | cut -d = -f2 | cut -d . -f2`
  OCTET_C=`uci show network.wifi0.ipaddr | cut -d = -f2 | cut -d . -f3`
  OCTET_D=`uci show network.wifi0.ipaddr | cut -d = -f2 | cut -d . -f4`
  cp /etc/config-mesh/* /etc/config/
  uci set network.wifi0.ipaddr=$OCTET_A.$OCTET_B.$OCTET_D
  uci set network.lan.ipaddr=172.30.$OCTET_D.1
  uci set network.lan.netmask=255.255.255.0
  uci set network.lan.dns=172.30.$OCTET_D.1
  uci set network.lan.gateway=172.30.$OCTET_D.1
  uci set batmand.general.announce=172.30.$OCTET_D.0/24
  uci set batmand.general.disable client nat=true
  uci set batmand.general.routing_class=1
  uci set batmand.general.gateway_class=0
  uci set
batmand.general.visualisation_srv=$OCTET_A.$OCTET_B.$OCTET_C.1
  uci commit
  uci show
  killall udhcpc
  killall udhcpd
  sleep 3
  echo "Generating /etc/udhcpd.conf"
  echo "start
                        172.30.$OCTET_D.100" > /etc/udhcpd.conf
  echo "end
                        172.30.$OCTET D.200" >> /etc/udhcpd.conf
  echo "interface
                      eth0" >> /etc/udhcpd.conf
  echo "max_leases
                       100" >> /etc/udhcpd.conf
            dns 141.1.1.1" >> /etc/udhcpd.conf
  echo "opt
  echo "option subnet 255.255.255.0" >> /etc/udhcpd.conf
              router 172.30.$OCTET D.1" >> /etc/udhcpd.conf
  echo "opt
  echo "option dns
                       141.1.1.1" >> /etc/udhcpd.conf
  echo "option domain local" >> /etc/udhcpd.conf
  echo "option lease 864000" >> /etc/udhcpd.conf
  sleep 1
  rm /etc/rc.d/S99udhcpc
  echo "mkdir /var/run/udhcpd.leases" > /etc/init.d/udhcpd
  echo "udhcpd -f /etc/udhcpd.conf &" >> /etc/init.d/udhcpd
  chmod +x /etc/init.d/udhcpd
```



In -s /etc/init.d/udhcpd /etc/rc.d/S99udhcpd

In -s /etc/init.d/batmand /etc/rc.d/S90batmand

In -s /etc/init.d/create-batman-status-page.sh

/etc/rc.d/S99create-batman-status-page.sh echo "meshclientgw" > /etc/app-profile

echo "Done. Rebooting now." reboot

2) Make this script executable.

chmod +x meshclientgw.sh

3) Run the script.

/bin/meshclientgw.sh

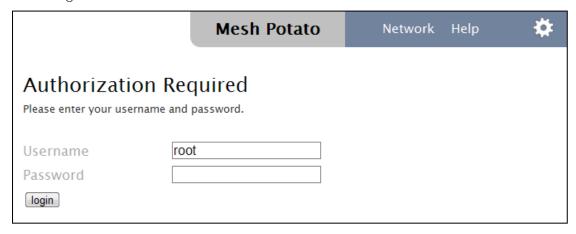
4) The MP01 will reboot after running the script. Connect your computer to MP01 through Ethernet port and set computer to DHCP. After the computer obtains a IP address from MP01, it should be able to access the Internet through MP01.

3. Configure MP01 by Web GUI

This section describes each web page of the utility and each page's key functions. You can access the utility via web browser on a computer connected to the MP01. The web-based utility has these main tabs: Overview, Status, System, Services and Network. Additional tabs will be available after you click one of the main tabs.

3.1 How to access the Web-Based Utility

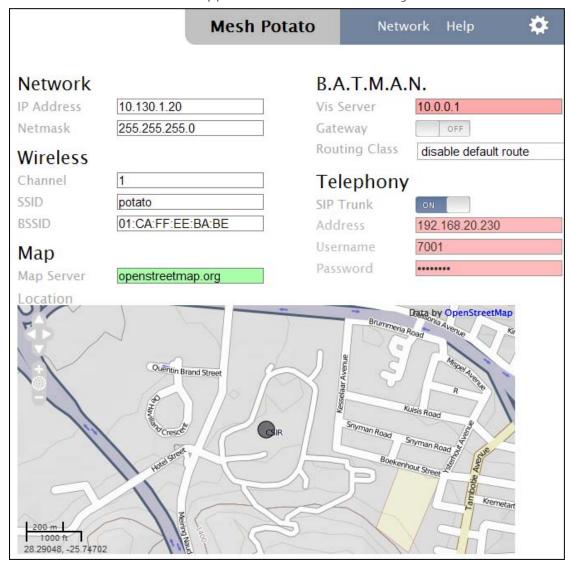
To access the web-based utility, launch the web browser on your computer, and enter the MP01's default IP address 192.168.1.20 in the Address field. Then, press Enter. You will see a login screen as below. Leave the Password field blank. (You can set a new password from the System => Admin Password screen.) Click Login to continue.



Login screen



The first screen that appears is the Mesh Potato GUI (shown as below). You can preview the MPO1 settings and set up the WiFi network, wireless, B.A.T.M.A.N, and telephony settings here. You should notice that version r238 doesn't have Mesh Potato GUI, so it will appear LUCI interface directly.



Mesh Potato GUI

NOTE: If you forget the MP01 IP address you have set up, you can use fallback IP: 172.31.255.254/30. You should set up the IP Address of your PC as: 172.31.255.253 and Subnet Mask: 255.255.255.252.

3.2 LuCI configuration

Move your mouse to the gear icon shown on Mesh Potato GUI, you will see LUCI option. Click LUCI to enter OpenWrt main interface.





OpenWrt GUI

Overview => User Interface

You can customize the settings and the functionality of LuCI on User Interface.





User Interface

Overview => LuCI Components

The LuCI Components screen shows the package list. Here you can download and install package, and find packages using the filter as well.





LuCI Components

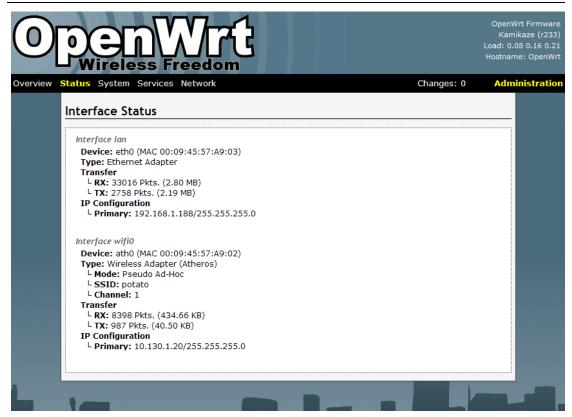
Overview => Logout

Logout OpenWrt GUI.

Status => Interfaces

The Interfaces screen displays the interface status, such as Device, Type, Transfer, IP Connection etc.





Interfaces

Status => Firewall

The Firewall screen shows the firewall configurations. Every rules you have set up for firewall will be shown here. You could set up firewall by command line after accessing MP01 using SSH or Telnet. **This feature is only available with version r238, and it is for advanced users.**



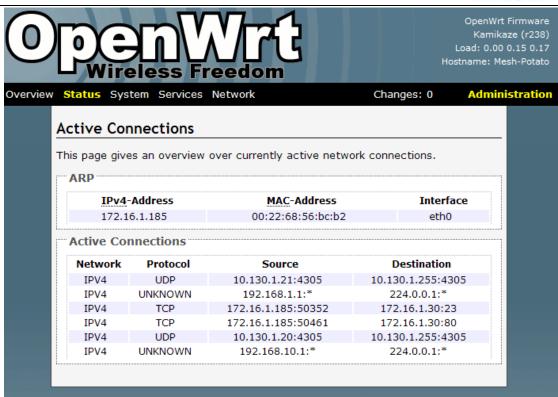


Firewall

Status => Active Connections

The Active Connections page gives an overview over currently active network connections.

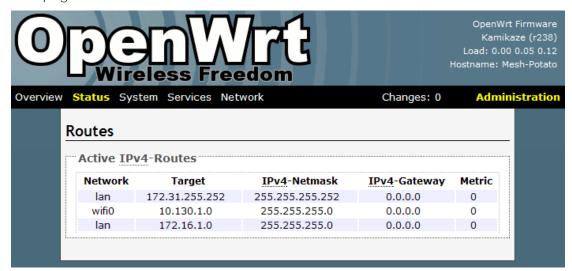




Active Connectios

Status => Routes

This page shows the active routes.



Routes

Status => System Log

This page shows the system logs.





System Log

Status => Kernel Log

This page shows the kernel logs.

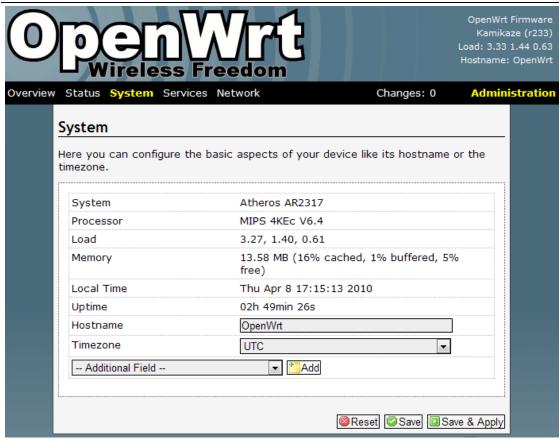


Kernel Log

System => System

Here you can configure the basic aspects of MP01 like its hostname, timezone, system log buffer size, external system log server, log output level and cronloglevel.

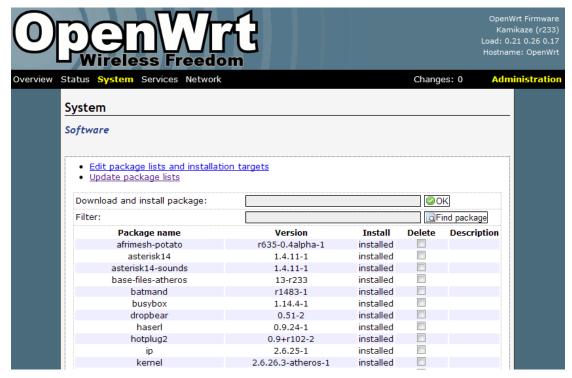




System

System => Software

This page will show you the softwares you have installed or not installed. You can download and install the package here.



Software



System => Admin Password

You can change the password of the system administrator here.



Admin Password

System => SSH-Keys

You can paste public SSH-Keys for SSH public-key authentication. Then you don't need to enter a password anymore, you will be automatically authenticated.

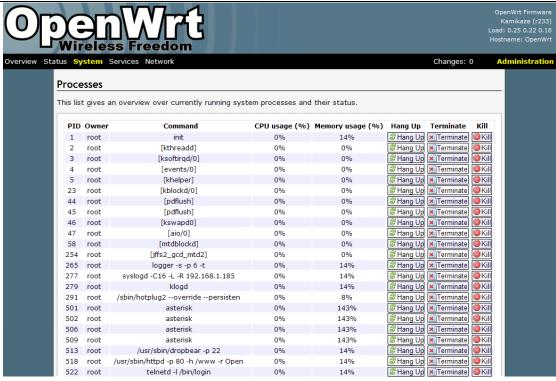


SSH-Keys

System => Processes

This page gives an overview over currently running system processes and their status. You can hang up, terminate or kill the process here.



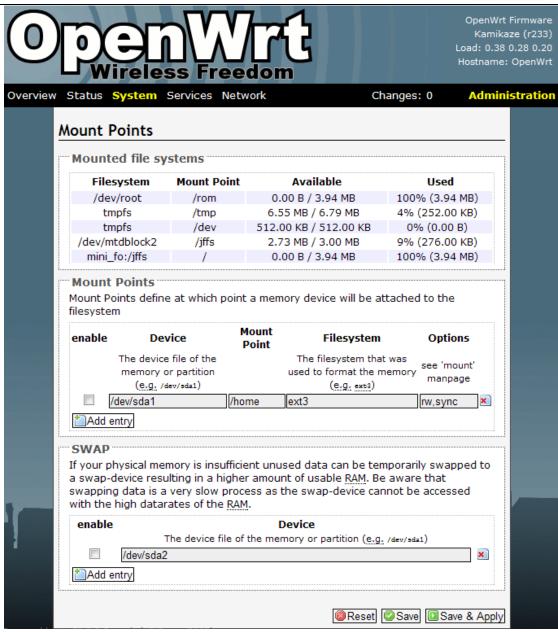


Processes

System => Mount Points

This page displays the mounted file systems, mount points and swap device. Mount points define at which point a memory device will be attached to the filesystem. If your physical memory is insufficient unused data can be temporarily swapped to a swap-device resulting in a higher amount of usable RAM. Be aware that swapping data is a very slow process as the swap-device cannot be accessed with the high datarates of the RAM.



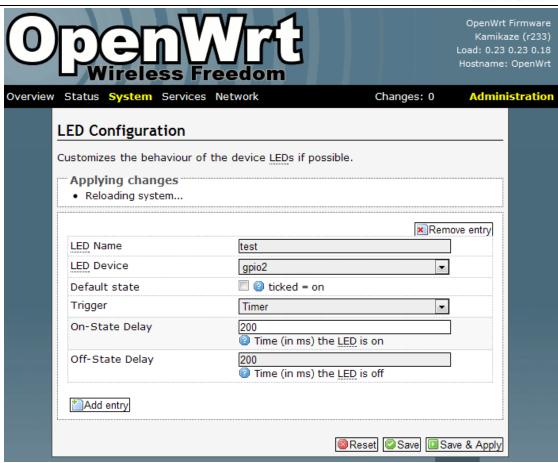


Mount Points

System => LED Configuration

You can customizes the behavior of the device LEDs if possible. Just add an entry, choose the LED device and its trigger, then the LED will twinkle according to the trigger.





LED Configuration

LED Name: Enter the LED name you like

LED Device: Choose which LED you want to twinkle

Default state: The default state of the specified LED, ticked=on

Trigger: On what conditions the specified LED will twinkle. It has 5 options: None, Timer(The LED will twinkle according to the timer you set), Heartbeat(LEDs will twinkle according to load average), Default On, Network Device(LEDs will twinkle according to the network status).

System => Backup / Restore

On Backup/Restore page, you can create/restore backup or reset router to factory default.





Backup / Restore

System => Flash Firmware

This feature allows you to upload an OpenWrt image file to reflash the device.



Flash Firmware

System => Reboot

Reboot the operating system here.

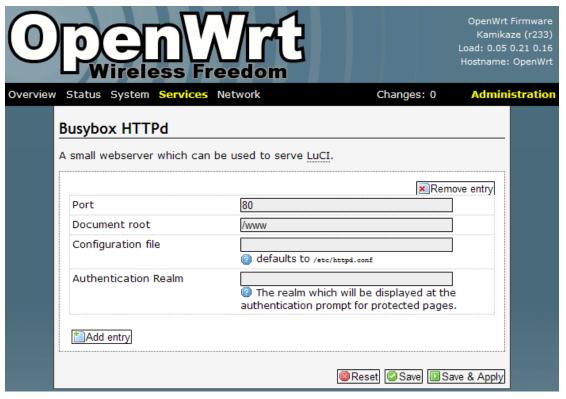




Reboot

Services => Busybox HTTPd

It is a small web server which can be used to serve LuCI. You can configure the server port and document root.

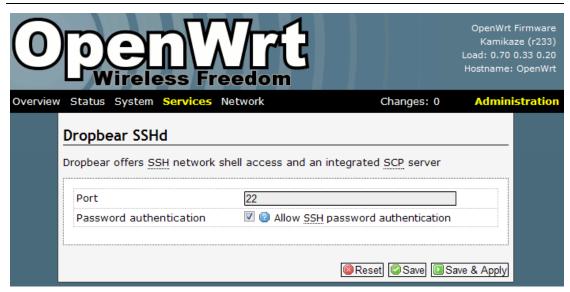


Busybox HTTPd

Services => Dropbear SSHd

Dropbear offers SSH network shell access and an integrated SCP server.



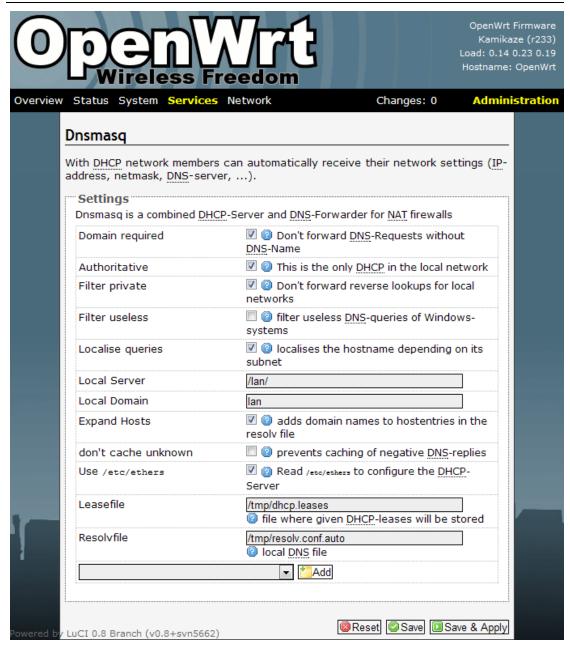


Dropbear SSHd

Services => Dnsmasq

Dnsmasq is a lightweight, easy to configure DNS forwarder and DHCP server. It is designed to provide DNS and, optionally, DHCP, to a small network. It can serve the names of local machines which are not in the global DNS. The DHCP server integrates with the DNS server and allows machines with DHCP-allocated addresses to appear in the DNS with names configured either in each host or in a central configuration file. In order to use Dnsmasq, you need to install the package. It is for advanced users.



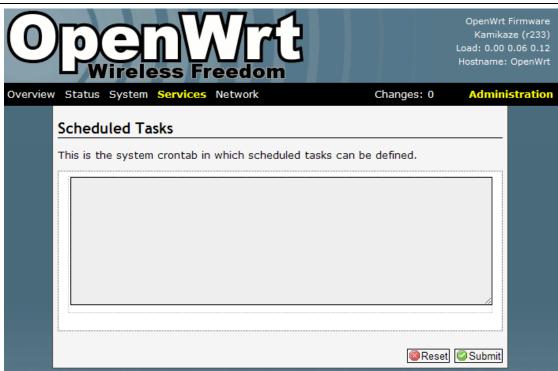


Dnsmasq

Services => Scheduled Tasks

This is the system crontab in which scheduled tasks can be defined. You can edit the configuration file of the cron daemon via Luci. It is for advanced users.





Scheduled Tasks

Network => Interfaces => WIFIO / LAN

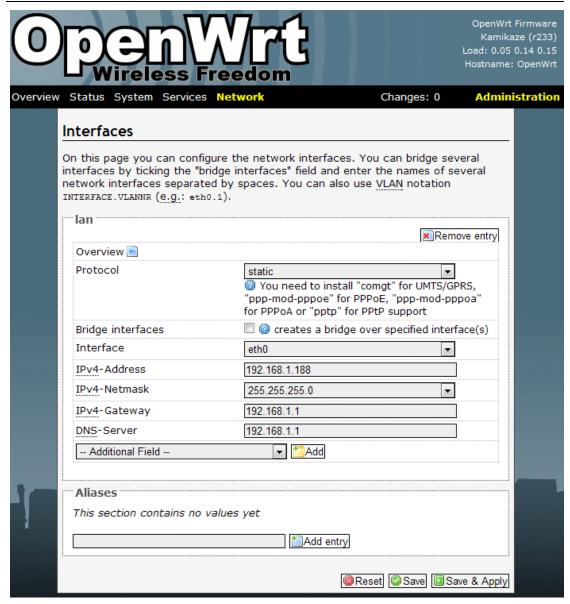
On this page you can configure the network interfaces. You can bridge several interfaces by ticking the "bridge interfaces" field and enter the names of several network interfaces separated by spaces. You need to install "ppp-mod-pppoe" for PPPoE, or "pptp" for PPTP support.





Interfaces => WIFI0

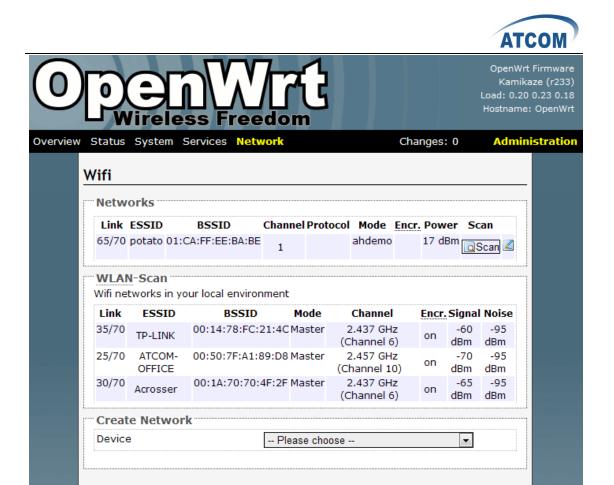




Interfaces => LAN

Network => Wifi

Here you can scan the WiFi networks in your local environment. The following screen shows the WiFi networks in my local environment.



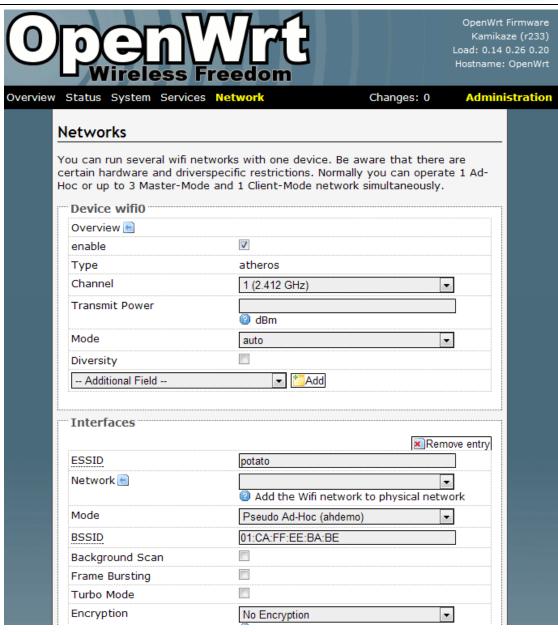
Wifi

Reset Submit

Network => Wifi => WIFI0

You can run several wifi networks with one device. Be aware that there are certain hardware and driverspecific restrictions. Normally you can operate 1 Ad-Hoc or up to 3 Master-Mode and 1 Client-Mode network simultaneously.





Wifi => WIFI0

Enable: To make WiFi available or not.

Channel: It has 11 WiFi channels to choose.

Mode: MP01 supports 802.11b/g

ESSID/BSSID: WLAN ID for wireless network

Mode: It can work as Access Point, Ad-Hoc, Client, Pseudo Ad-Hoc(ahdemo)

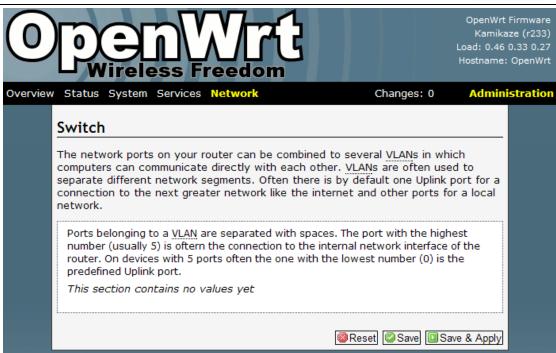
and Monitor

Encryption: It supports only WEP in version r233.

Network => Switch

You can set up VLAN settings in this menu. This is yet another option for advanced users. Since the MP01 doesn't have multiple Ethernet ports, this menu is of very limited use.

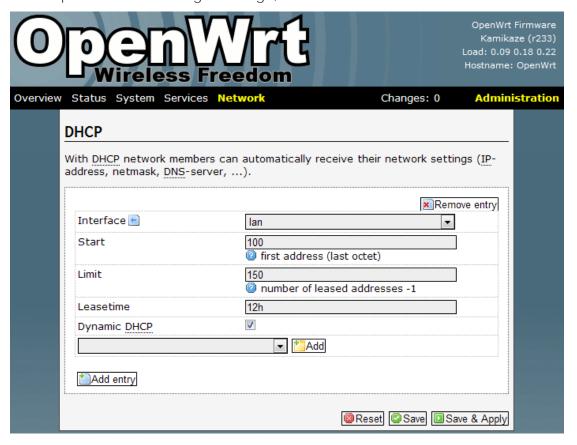




Switch

Network => DHCP

You need to install the dnsmasq package before using it. You can configure the DHCP options such as assigned range, lease time and so on.



DHCP

Interface: The device to assign IP addresses



Start: The first IP address it will assign **Limit:** The last IP address it will assign

Leasetime: The amount of time a network user will be allowed to connect to the MP01 with their current dynamic IP address.

Network => Hostnames

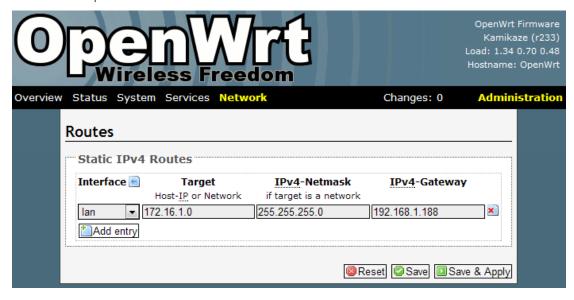
You can add hostname entrys here.



Hostnames

Network => Static Routes

A static route is a pre-determined pathway that network information must travel to reach a specific host or network.



Static Routes

Interface: Select the appropriate interface.

Target: Target network where you want to assign a static route

Netmask: This determines which portion of a target IP address is the network portion, and which portion is the host portion.

Gateway: It is the IP address that allows for contact between the MP01 and the remote network or host.

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4. Troubleshooting

4.1 What to do if you can't connect to the MP

anymore - using the Fallback-IP

This can easily happen if you are messing around with the IP settings of the MP. Luckily the MP has a additional IP subnet at the Ethernet port that can not be changed or disabled from a web interface.

On your PC configure the Ethernet port to use **172.31.255.253/30** (netmask 255.255.252). You can add multiple IP addresses to each interface, so you don't have to reconfigure it if you need other addresses as well.

After finishing the configuration you should be able to access the MP01 using IP **172.31.255.254**.

4.2 My MP01 can't make calls

You have set up you MP01 IPs but can't make calls. Here are some basic tests:

- 1. Can you hear dial tone in a phone connected to the MP? If not please reboot it and try again. Some of the modules have come loose while shipping.
- 2. Check you mesh network. Telnet/ssh into your MP and:

batmand -cbd1

You should see the IP of the other MP(s) on your mesh. If you see no IPs then check your WiFi settings are identical except for the IP. These can be checked in /etc/config/wireless or via the GUI. Also compare "iwconfig ath0" on both MPs and "ifconfig ath0".

- 3. Try pinging one MP from the other.
- 4. On each MP, dial 4001. This performs an echo test. Can you hear your own voice coming back to you?
- 5. Start an Asterisk CLI and see what happens when you dial an IP:

```
root@OpenWrt: ~# asterisk -r
OpenWrt*CLI> set verbose 3
```

Note: The 'set verbose' command is deprecated, please use 'core set verbose' instead.

Now dial the IP of another MP. You should see something like:

- -- event_offhook
- -- AST_STATE_DOWN:
- -- start mp_new
- -- event_dtmf 1
- -- event dtmf 4
- -- event_dtmf 2
- -- event_digit_timer
- -- extension exists, starting PBX 142
- -- Executing [142@default:1] Dial("MP/1", "SIP/4000@10.130.1.142")

in new stack



```
-- Called 4000@10.130.1.142
```

-- event_onhook

-- default: hangup sound_on = 1

== Spawn extension (default, 142, 1) exited non-zero on 'MP/1'

-- start mp_hangup

4.3 Choppy sound

This is most likely caused by a poor wireless link. Check that you have line of sight to other MP01. It is also possible to install another MP01 on a nearby building or tower to relay the signals.

4.4 The MP01 is flashed with AP51

The AP51 flash tool re-arranges the disk lay-out. If the MP01 has been updated with the AP51, you CAN NOT upgrade it remotely through wireless. Then you need to do a MP01 Disaster Recovery BEFORE deploying it in the field to be able to remotely upgrade it in the future.

CORRECT FORMAT:

```
root@OpenWrt: ~# cat /proc/mtd
dev: size erasesize name
mtd0: 00030000 00010000 "RedBoot"
mtd1: 000b0000 00010000 "vmlinux.bin.l7"
mtd2: 006f0000 00010000 "rootfs"
mtd3: 00410000 00010000 "rootfs_data"
mtd4: 0000f000 00010000 "FIS directory"
mtd5: 00001000 00010000 "RedBoot config"
mtd6: 00020000 00010000 "boardconfig"
root@OpenWrt: ~#
```

The ap51-utility swaps the position of kernel and rootfs. The kernel needs to be in the second logical block and the rootfs in the third. After flashing with ap51-flash this order is reversed and any flashing attempt from OpenWRT will fail.

Before flashing with ap51-flash:

```
root@OpenWrt:/# cat /proc/mtd
dev: size erasesize name
mtd0: 00030000 00010000 "RedBoot"
mtd1: 000b0000 00010000 "vmlinux.bin.I7"
mtd2: 006f0000 00010000 "rootfs"
mtd3: 00410000 00010000 "rootfs_data"
mtd4: 0000f000 00010000 "FIS directory"
mtd5: 00001000 00010000 "RedBoot config"
mtd6: 00020000 00010000 "boardconfig"
```

After flashing with ap51-flash:

```
RedBoot> fis list
Name FLASH addr Mem addr Length Entry point
```



RedBoot 0xA8000000 0xA8000000 0x00030000 0x000000000 rootfs 0xA8030000 0xA8030000 0x006F0000 0x00000000 vmlinux.bin.I7 0xA8720000 0x80041000 0x0000B0000 0x80041000 FIS directory 0xA87D0000 0xA87D0000 0x0000F000 0x00000000 RedBoot config 0xA87DF000 0xA87DF000 0x00001000 0x000000000

The fix is to flash the system via Redboot with the correct layout and follow the instructions here:

http://wiki.villagetelco.org/index.php?title=Mesh Potato HOWTOs#Reflash the firmware_from_RedBoot.

5. Appendix

5.1 Appendix A - MP01 Features

Feature	Benefit
Integrated WiFi and ATA in a single box	Low power consumption, ease of setup, fewer cables, fewer points of failure, and low cost.
Mesh, Client or AP mode WiFi	Can be a component in Mesh WiFi networks or connect to existing WiFi networks
One-IP configuration	Set one IP and the device is ready to make a receive phone calls. Quickly build voice and IP networks and roll out a Wireless PBX in minutes.
Web GUI or Phone UI	Configure via a web interface or telephone IVR menu. With Phone UI no laptop is required for on-site installation.
UV-resistant, weather-proof enclosure	Long life outdoors, no need to purchase a separate enclosure for outdoor use.
Built in mounting points	Simple and low cost outdoor installation.
Rugged design	Withstands abuse that would destroy other products such as power surges, brownouts, reverse DC, over-voltage DC, and static electricity.
Power supply	Runs on 24VDC voltage, or any AC voltage from 110 to 250VAC via wall-plug type power supply. A solar panel can be directly connected – saving money on a solar regulator.
Power efficient	Consumes just 3W (DC). Can run on a 10W solar panel.
Power over Ethernet (PoE) and Power over	Just one cable run for both power and telephone. PoE and PoTL injectors included.



Telephone Line (PoTL)	
Open Hardware Design	No vendor lock-in. Open to improvement by anyone.
Open Source firmware	Linux, OpenWRT, B.A.T.M.A.N., and Asterisk. Stable, reliable community developed software. Open to improvement, adaptation, and innovation.
Asterisk	Extremely configurable, add IVR menus, connect IP Phones and billing systems

5.2 Appendix B - MP01 Specifications

Hardware Specifications

- Atheros AR2317 system on a Chip (SoC)
- MIPS 4k processor 180 MHz
- 8 MByte Serial Flash EEPROM
- 16 MByte RAM

Wireless LAN

- IEEE 802.11b/g
- Frequency Band: 2.412GHz to 2.484GHz
- Antenna Type: Internal Omnidirectional PCB Antenna with I-PEX connector
- Transmit EIRP power: 1-24 Mbit 20dBm or 36-54 Mbit 17dBm

Interfaces/Ports

LAN Port : 1 x RJ-45FXS Port : 1 x RJ-11

Firmware

- Linux kernel 2.26.3
- OpenWrt Kamikaze (customised version)
- B.A.T.M.A.N. mesh routing daemon Version 0.4
- Asterisk 1.4.11

Environmental

• Operating Humidity: 5 to 95% Condensing

Operating Temperature: -20°C to +70°C

Electrical

- Power Options: AC adaptor, Passive PoE or PoTL (Power over Telephone Line)
- PoTL Wire Requirement: standard 4/6 core telephone cable
- Input Power: 24VDC 300mA
- Power Consumption: 3Watt
- Passive PoE Effective Distance: 0-100 meters
- PoTL Effective Distance: 0-50 meters
- Protected Ports: DC, RJ11 phone, RJ45 Ethernet
- Protection: overvoltage, reverse DC, nearby lightning, static electricity



Physical

• Casing: UV-protected, weatherproof outdoor enclosure

Mounting: Pole Mount/Wall MountEnclosure Size: 228 X 106 X 55 mm

• Weight: 0.3 Kg

Regulatory/Compliance Information

RoHS Compliance

6. Acronyms

- B.A.T.M.A.N Better Approach To Mesh Ad-hoc Network
- dBi: decibel isotropic, the antenna gain relative to an isotropic radiator (an antenna which radiates energy perfectly equal in all directions).
- LAN Local Area Connection
- PoE: Power over Ethernet (passive), power is transferred to a device through the unused twisted pairs inside a UTP cable.
- WLAN Wireless Local Area Network

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