



Application Visibility and Control Feature Deployment Guide rel 7.4–8.8

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Application Visibility and Control Release Update

Note, to get information and configuration on the specific AVC feature please refer to the specific update Phase.

Phase 1– AVC 7.4	<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Application classification and control of 1039 applications with NBAR2 engine.■ Support of 16 AVC profiles with 32 rules per profile.■ One AVC profile support per WLAN; the same profile can be supported on multiple WLANs.■ AVC profile mapped to WLAN has a rule for MARK or DROP action.■ Graphical presentation on the controller for all classified applications■ One NetFlow exporter and monitor can be configured on the WLC.■ AVC NetFlow monitoring on PI with PAM license.
Phase 2– AVC 7.5	<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Protocol Pack 4.1 support in AVC Phase 2.■ Additional application support–Total of 1056 applications■ Support for loading protocol pack dynamically to update applications.
Phase 3– AVC 8.0	<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Protocol Pack 9.0■ NBAR Engine Release 3.1■ AAA AVC Profile override for clients.■ Application rate limiting per-user on WLAN.■ Integration of AVC profiles to the Local Policy classification per user and per device.■ AVC Directional QoS DSCP Marking for Upstream and Downstream traffic.■ Support for 1105 applications

Phase 4- AVC 8.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Protocol Pack 14.0 ■ NBAR Engine 23 ■ Support for 1273 Applications ■ Support for 3rd party Netflow Collector ■ Support for two Flow Collectors ■ Support for 17 Data Flow Records in Flow Collector
Phase 5- AVC 8.3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Protocol Pack 19.1 ■ NBAR Engine version 23 ■ Support for 1317 Applications
Phase 6 - AVC 8.8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Protocol Pack 37 ■ NBAR Engine Version 31 ■ Support for 1408 applications ■ Enhancement to Default DSCP values. ■ Support Wi-Fi calling <p>Flex Connect AVC Wave-2 APs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Protocol Pack 37 ■ NBAR2 Engine 31 ■ Support for 1408 applications ■ Enhancement to Default DSCP values ■ Support for Wi-Fi calling

Application Visibility and Control–Phase 1

Network Based Application Recognition (NBAR) provides application-aware control on a wireless network and enhances manageability and productivity. It also extends Cisco's Application Visibility and Control (AVC) as an end-to-end solution, which gives a complete visibility of applications in the network and allows the administrator to take some action on the same.

NBAR is a deep-packet inspection technology available on Cisco IOS based platforms, which supports stateful L4 - L7 classification. NBAR2 is based on NBAR and has extra requirements such as having a Common Flow Table for all IOS features which use NBAR. NBAR2 recognizes application and passes on this information to other features like QoS, NetFlow and Firewall, which can take action based on this classification.

The key use cases for NBAR are capacity planning, network usage base lining and better understanding of what applications are consuming bandwidth. Trending of application usage helps network admin to plan for network infrastructure upgrade, improve quality of experience by protecting key applications from bandwidth-hungry applications when there is congestion on the network, capability to prioritize or de-prioritize, and drop certain application traffic.

NBAR is supported on 2500, 5500, 7500, 8500 and WiSM2 series controllers on Local, Mesh, and Flex Mode APs (for WLANs configured for central switching only).

NBAR Supported Feature

NBAR as a feature can perform the following tasks:

1. Classification-Identification of Application/Protocol.
2. AVC-Provides visibility of classified traffic and also gives an option to control the same using Drop or Mark (DSCP) action.
3. NetFlow-Updating NBAR stats to NetFlow collector like Cisco Prime Assurance Manager (PAM).

Application Visibility and Control-Phase 2

In phase two of the AVC support for Protocol Packs has been added. Protocol packs are software packages that allow update of signature support without replacing the image on the Controller. You have an option to load protocol packs dynamically when new protocol support is being added. There are two kinds of Protocol Packs-Major and Minor:

- Major protocol packs include support for new protocols, updates, and bug fixes.
- Minor protocol packs typically do not include support for new protocols.
- Protocol packs are targeted to specific platform types, software versions and releases separately. Protocol Packs can be downloaded from CCO using the software type "NBAR2 Protocol Pack".

Protocol packs are released with specific NBAR engine versions. For example, WLC 7.5 has NBAR engine 13, so protocol packs for it are written for engine 13 (pp-unified-wng-152-4.S-13-4.1.1.pack). Loading a protocol pack can be done if the engine version on the platform is same or higher than the version required by the protocol pack (13 in the example above). Therefore for example - PP4.1 for 3.7 (version 13) can be loaded on top of 3.7 (version 13) and 3.8, but PP4.1 for 3.8 cannot be loaded on top of 3.7. It is strongly recommended to use the protocol pack that is the exact match for the engine.

For AVC phase 2, protocol packs can be downloaded directly from CCO-Protocol Pack 4.1.1 for engine XE 3.7. The protocol pack file "pp-AIR-7.5-13-4.1.1.pack" (Format: pp-AIR-{release}-{engine version}-M.m.r.pack) will be located in the same location with the controller code version 7.5. This is the only tested and supported protocol pack released with controller software version 7.5.

Note: If you download the protocol pack from the below link where protocol packs for other Cisco devices is posted for download, the protocol packs might work but will not be supported. See <https://software.cisco.com/download/home/282600534/type/284509011/release/24.0.0>

The screenshot shows the Cisco Software Download page for the NBAR2 Protocol Pack 4.1.1 for AireOS 7.5: NBAR2 Engine 13. The page includes a search bar, a navigation breadcrumb, and a table of releases. The table has columns for File Information, Release Date, and Size. The release listed is "NBAR2 Advanced Protocol Pack 4.1 for AireOS 7.5: NBAR2 Engine 13" with a file name of "pp-AIR-7.5-13-4.1.1.pack", a release date of "31-JUL-2013", and a size of "0.22 MB". There are "Download" and "Add to cart" buttons for this release.

File Information	Release Date	Size
NBAR2 Advanced Protocol Pack 4.1 for AireOS 7.5: NBAR2 Engine 13 pp-AIR-7.5-13-4.1.1.pack	31-JUL-2013	0.22 MB

Complete list of the protocols supported in the release posted at the link below

http://www.cisco.com/en/US/docs/ios-xml/ios/qos_nbar/prot_lib/config_library/nbar-prot-pack-library.html

Note: For AVC Phase 2 the downloadable NBAR Protocol Packs are supported on 5500, 7500, 8500 and WiSM2 controllers on Local, Mesh, and Flex Mode APs (for WLANs configured for central switching only). The 2500 series controllers do not support Protocol Packs.

Note: For AVC Phase -6 release 8.8 The latest NBAR2 and Protocol Packs are supported on the 3504, 5520 and 8540 series controllers. The PP in rel 8.8 only supports Wave-2 COS based APs.NBAR/AVC Facts

- NBAR/AVC phase 2 on WLC can classify and take action on 1317(rel8.3) different applications.
- Two actions, either DROP or MARK is possible on any classified application.
- Maximum 16 AVC profiles can be created on a WLC.
- Each AVC profile can be configured with a maximum 32 rules.
- Same AVC profile can be mapped to multiple WLANs. But one WLAN can have only one AVC profile.
- Only 1 NetFlow exporter and monitor can be configured on WLC.
- NBAR/AVC stats are displayed only for top 10 applications on GUI. CLI can be used to see all applications.
- NBAR/AVC is supported on WLANs configured for central switching only.
- If AVC profile mapped to WLAN has a rule for MARK action, that application will get precedence as per QoS profile configured in AVC rule overriding the QoS profile configured on WLAN.
- Any application, which is not supported/recognized by NBAR engine on WLC, is captured under the bucket of UNCLASSIFIED traffic.
- IPv6 traffic cannot be classified.
- AAA override of AVC profiles is not supported.
- AVC profile can be configured per WLAN and cannot be applied per user basis.
- NBAR/AVC is not supported in vWLC and SRE WLC.

AVC and QoS Interaction on the WLAN

The AVC/NBAR2 engine on the controller interoperates with the QoS settings on the specific WLAN. The NBAR2 functionality is based on the DSCP setting. The following occurs to the packets in Upstream and Downstream directions if AVC and QoS are configured on the same WLAN:

Upstream

1. Packet comes with or without inner DSCP from wireless side (wireless client).
2. AP will add DSCP in the CAPWAP header that is configured on WLAN (QoS based configuration).
3. WLC will remove CAPWAP header.
4. AVC module on the controller will overwrite the DSCP to the configured **marked** value in the AVC profile and send it out.

Downstream

1. Packet comes from switch with or without inner DSCP wired side value.
2. AVC module will overwrite the inner DSCP value.

Loading AVC Protocol Pack-Phase 2

3. Controller will compare WLAN QoS configuration (as per 802.1p value that is actually 802.11e) with inner DSCP value that NBAR had overwritten. WLC will choose the lesser value and put it into CAPWAP header for DSCP.
4. WLC will send out the packet to AP with QoS WLAN setting on the outer CAPWAP and AVC inner DSCP setting.
5. AP strips the CAPWAP header and sends the packet on air with AVC DSCP setting; if AVC was not applied to an application then that application will adopt the QoS setting of the WLAN.

AVC Operation with Anchor/Foreign Controller's Setup

In the case of Anchor and Foreign controller's configuration, the AVC has to be configured where the application control essentially is required. In most cases in Anchor/Foreign setups the AVC should be enabled on the Anchor controller. AVC profile enforcement will happen on the WLAN on the Anchor controller. If Anchor controller is release 7.4 or higher the above mentioned setup will work.

Loading AVC Protocol Pack-Phase 2

Loading of Protocol Packs is supported only via the command line interface. The command to load a protocol pack is shown in the example below:

```
(Cisco Controller) >transfer download datatype avc-protocol-pack
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```
(Cisco Controller) >transfer download start
```

```
Mode..... FTP
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Data Type..... AVC Protocol Pack
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```
FTP Server IP..... A.B.C.D
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FTP Server Port..... 21
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FTP Path..... /
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```
FTP Filename..... pp-unified-wng-152-4.S-13-4.1.1.pack
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```
FTP Username..... cisco
```

```
FTP Password..... *****
```

```
Starting transfer of AVC Protocol Pack
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```
This may take some time.
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```
Are you sure you want to start? (y/N)
```

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Y

```
(5508-60-Active) >transfer download datatype avc-protocol-pack
(5508-60-Active) >transfer download filename pp-adv-asr1k-152-4.S-13-4.1.1.pack
(5508-60-Active) >transfer download start

Mode..... TFTP
Data Type..... AVC Protocol Pack
TFTP Server IP..... 10.70.0.59
TFTP Packet Timeout..... 6
TFTP Max Retries..... 10
TFTP Path.....
TFTP Filename..... pp-adv-asr1k-152-4.S-13-4.1.1.
pack

Starting tranfer of AVC Protocol Pack

This may take some time.
Are you sure you want to start? (y/N)
```

The download process might take some time.

```
TFTP AVC Protocol Pack transfer starting.
TFTP receive complete... Loading Protocol Pack.
INFO, deactivation XDR was bypassed as batch config was identified
% INFO NBAR : engine deactivation
AVC Protocol Pack installed.
```

Use the show command to view the currently loaded protocol pack

(Cisco Controller) >show avc protocol-pack version

AVC Protocol Pack Name: Advanced Protocol Pack

AVC Protocol Pack Version: 1.0

Use the show command to view the current Nbar2 Engine Version

(Cisco Controller) >show avc engine version

AVC Engine Version: 13

Before installing the Protocol Pack the default pack will show as follow:

```
(5508-60-Active) >show avc engine version

AVC Engine Version: 13

(5508-60-Active) >show avc protocol-pack version

AVC Protocol Pack Name: Advanced Protocol Pack
AVC Protocol Pack Version: 1.0

(5508-60-Active) >
```

After installing the Protocol Pack the AVC pack will show as version 4.10001:

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```
(5508-60-Active) >show avc engine version

AVC Engine Version: 13

(5508-60-Active) >show avc protocol-pack version

AVC Protocol Pack Name: Advanced Protocol Pack
AVC Protocol Pack Version: 4.10001

(5508-60-Active) >
```

Debug Commands

(Cisco Controller) >debug avc events enable

(Cisco Controller) >debug avc error enable

Configure Application Visibility

Complete these steps:

1. Open a web browser on the Wired Laptop. Enter your WLC IP Address.
2. Create an OPEN WLAN with naming convention as for example: "POD1-Client" and enable Application Visibility on that WLAN under QOS TAB. Map this WLAN to management interface.

To enable Application visibility, click **WLAN ID** and then click the QOS tab and check the enable option for **Application Visibility** and click **Apply**.



Configure Application Visibility

- Once Application Visibility is enabled on the specific WLAN, from the associated wireless client start different types of traffic using the applications (already installed) like Cisco Jabber/WebEx Connect, Skype, Yahoo Messenger, HTTP, HTTPS/SSL, Microsoft Messenger, YouTube, Ping, Trace route, etc. Once traffic is initiated from wireless client, visibility of different traffic can be observed globally for all WLANs, Per Client Basis and Per WLAN Basis which provides a good overview to the administrator of the network bandwidth utilization and type of traffic in the network per client, per WLAN, and globally.

As mentioned above Visibility of traffic can be monitored:

- Globally for all WLANs
- Individual WLAN
- Individual Client

- To check the visibility globally for all WLANs on WLC, click and scroll down.

The screenshot shows the Cisco WLC Monitor interface. The 'Top Applications' section is highlighted with a red arrow. The table below lists the top ten applications in the last 90 seconds in both Upstream (U) and Downstream (D) directions.

Application Name	Packet Count	Byte Count
http (U)	1216	0
http (D)	2210	3164720
youtube (U)	846	21806
youtube (D)	1495	1919261
ssl (U)	186	19344
ssl (D)	214	154042
skype (U)	525	11189
skype (D)	561	24614
ms-live-accounts (U)	33	3364
ms-live-accounts (D)	28	13588
ping (U)	90	5760
ping (D)	90	5760
dns (U)	7	305
dns (D)	7	2590
yahoo-voip-over-sip (U)	1	86
yahoo-voip-over-sip (D)	1	0
webex-meeting (U)	3	37
webex-meeting (D)	3	37
poco (U)	3	40
poco (D)	2	0

This page refreshes every 30 seconds.

Note: The monitor screen list the applications classified by NBAR engine running on WLC for all the WLANs. The top ten applications in the last 90 seconds in both Upstream (U) and Downstream (D) directions will be listed on this page.

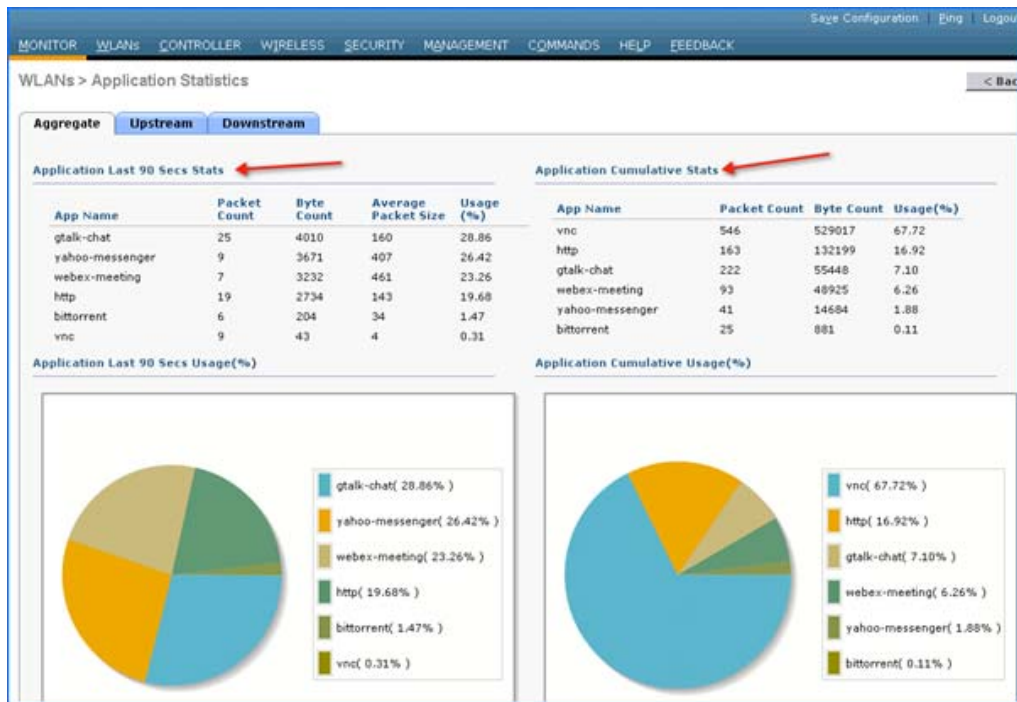
- To have more granular visibility per WLAN, navigate to **Monitor > Applications**. This page will list all the WLANs on which AVC visibility is enabled.

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Now click the individual WLAN ID and the below screen will be visible which will list aggregate data for the top ten applications running on that particular WLAN.



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Note: This page will provide more granular visibility per WLAN and will list the top ten applications in last the 90 seconds, as well as cumulative stats for the top ten applications. The above screen lists the aggregate traffic on a particular WLAN, which includes upstream as well as downstream data. You can view UPSTREAM and DOWNSTREAM stats individually per WLAN from same page by clicking the **Upstream** and **Downstream** tab.

6. To have further granular visibility of the top ten applications per client on a particular WLAN on which AVC visibility is enabled, navigate to **Monitor > Clients** and click any individual client MAC entry listed on that page.

Configure AVC Profile



After clicking on an individual client MAC entry listed on the above page, the client details page will open which will have two tabs; one for general information and another tab with the name **AVC Statistics**. Click the **AVC Statistics** tab to see the NBAR statistics for the top ten applications for that particular client.

Last 90 Secs Stats				Cumulative Stats		
Application Name	Average Packet Size	Packet Count	Byte Count	Application Name	Packet Count	Byte Count
gtalk-chat	174	25	4010	vnc	555	529060
yahoo-messenger	611	10	3671	http	194	136257
webex-meeting	646	7	3232	gtalk-chat	247	59458
http	245	21	2942	webex-meeting	100	52157
bittorrent	68	6	204	yahoo-messenger	51	18355
vnc	6	9	43	ssl	27	8068

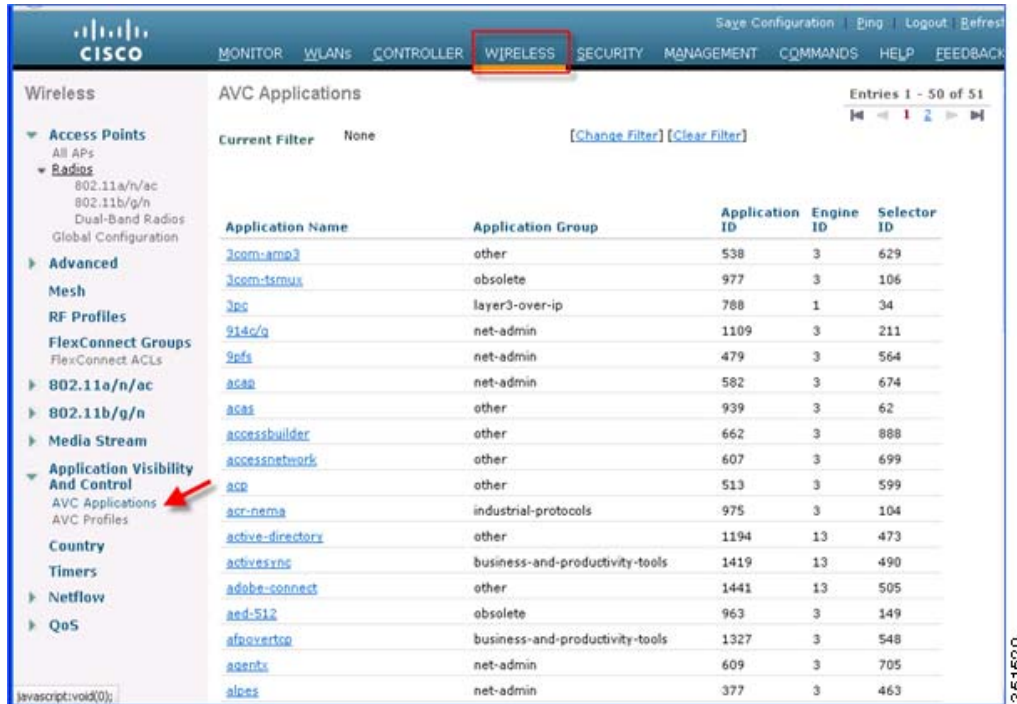
Note: This page will provide further granular stats per client associated on WLAN on which Application Visibility is enabled and will list the top ten applications in last 90 seconds as well as cumulative stats for top ten applications. The above screen lists the aggregate traffic per client, which includes upstream as well as downstream stats. You can view UPSTREAM and DOWNSTREAM stats individually per client from same page by clicking the **Upstream** and **Downstream** tab.

Configure AVC Profile

Complete these steps:

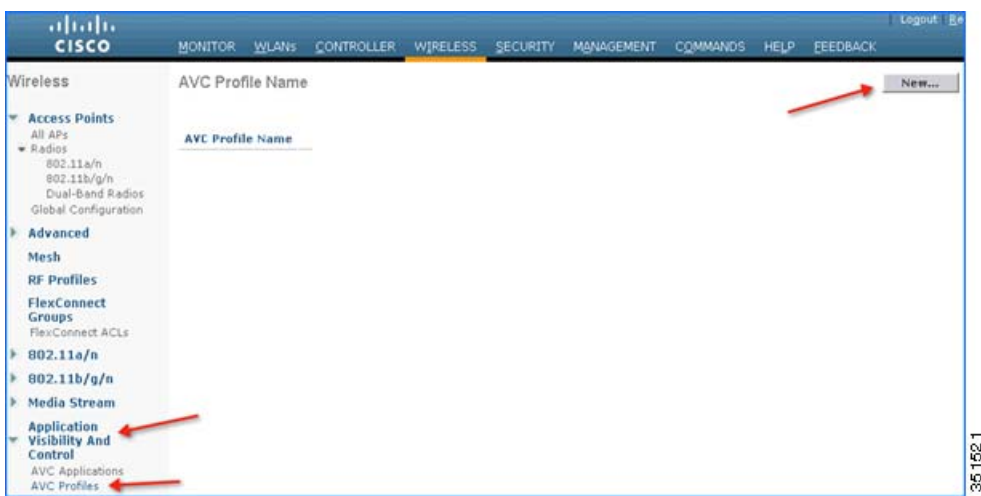
- The NBAR feature on a WLC not only gives a visibility of applications running in the network, but also gives the administrator an option to control the applications running in the network by creating an AVC profile. AVC profiles can be configured to take the following actions on the recognized applications:
 - Action DROP (Traffic for that application will be dropped)
 - Action MARK (Particular applications can be marked with different QOS profiles available on WLC, or the administrator can custom define the DSCP value for that application)
- To see all the applications supported by NBAR engine for stats, visibility and control action (DROP/MARK), navigate to **Wireless > Application Visibility And Control > AVC Applications**. This page will list down all the applications in sorted order with the application group they belong.

Configure AVC Profile



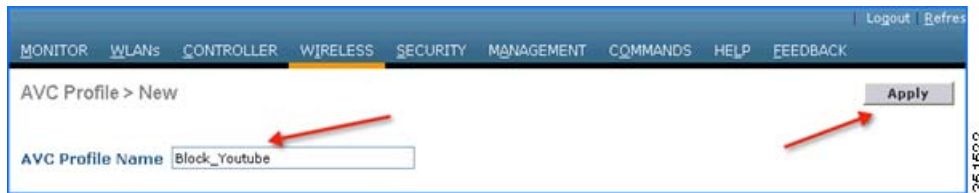
Note: While creating the drop/mark action for any application under AVC profile, application group need to be selected first. This page list down all the applications with application group they belong and with simple lookup for application using browser “FIND” option, an administrator can find applications and its group and use this group in AVC profile to configure drop/mark action which is discussed further in this guide. NBAR on WLC supports visibility of 1054 different applications.

3. To configure ANY action (drop/mark), the AVC profile should be created first. To configure the AVC profile, navigate to **Wireless > Application Visibility And Control > AVC Profiles** and then click **New** to create the AVC profile.



4. Enter AVC profile name and click **Apply**.

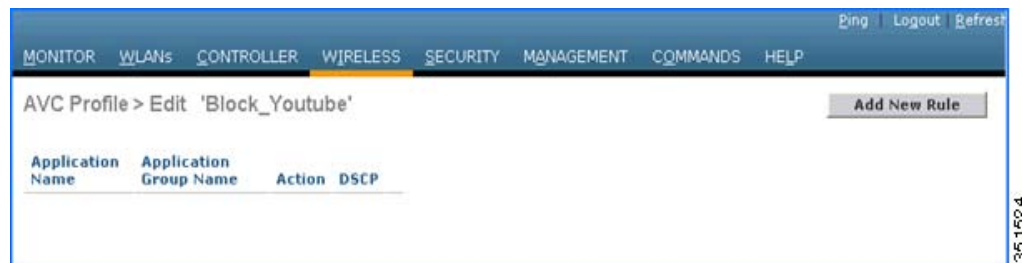
Configure AVC Profile



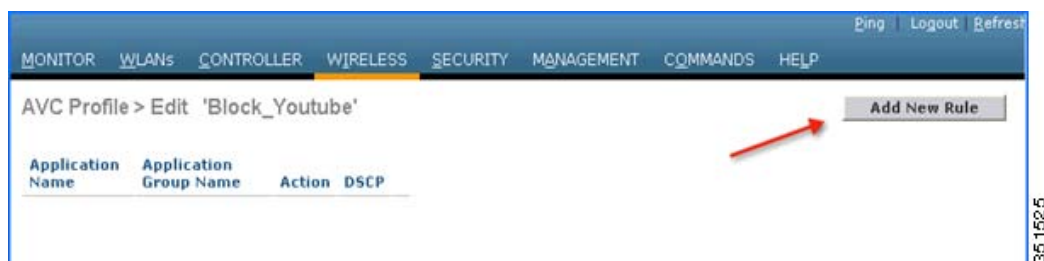
5. After Apply is clicked, the AVC profile will be created and you can see the above-created profile, which can be clicked further to create rules to take drop/mark action. Maximum of 16 AVC profiles can be created on a WLC.



6. After creating the AVC profiles, you can click on any profile name and create rules for individual profiles. Maximum of 32 rules can be configured in each profile. Rules can be configured to take any of the two actions i.e. DROP or MARK. If no rule is configured for any application the default action will be "Allow" with QOS policy configured on a WLAN. To create rules under profile, navigate to **Wireless > Application Visibility And Control > AVC Profiles** and then click any of the above created profile.



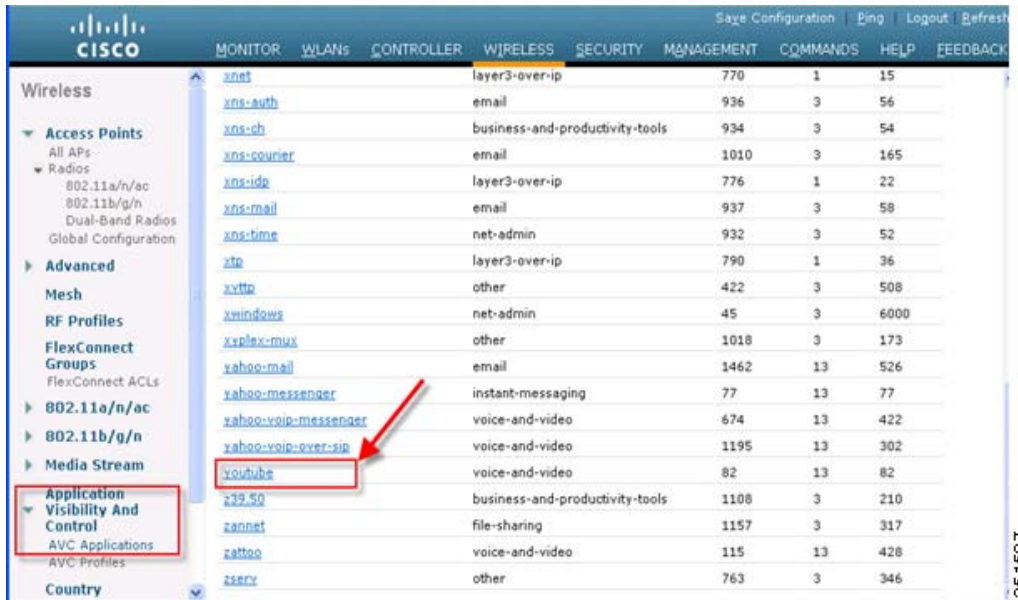
7. Now click **Add New Rule** and the below page (2nd screen shot) is displayed where the administrator can select the application group from the first drop-down which filters the applications that belong to that group only. Then, from the second drop-down application can be selected. Once the application is selected from second drop down, the administrator can select what action should be taken on that application from third the drop-down. Once the action is selected click **Apply**.



Configure AVC Profile



Note: In 7.5 release, WLC is capable of classifying 1054 applications and provide an option to take any action. To take an action on any application, the administrator has to select application group first to which that application belongs which will filter the list of applications for that application group only. The reason for this implementation is all 1054 applications cannot be displayed in a single drop-down. Also in release 7.5, the Application Names are now selectable and by hovering over and clicking the application name in the list the above profile rule can be created.



8. After Apply is clicked, the action rule will be created and displayed as captured in the below screen. You can add more rules under the AVC profile on the same page. Maximum of 32 rules can be configured in a single AVC profile.

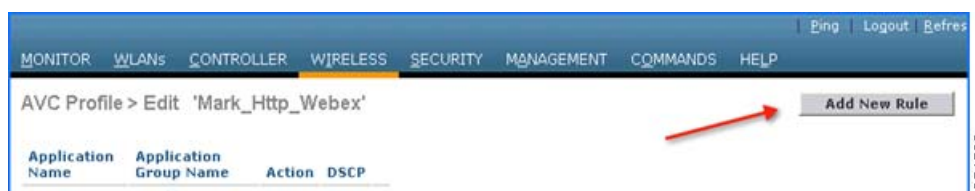


9. Another rule can be configured under the same AVC profile to MARK traffic with a different QOS profile or custom DSCP value. In this example, another AVC profile was created following step 3, 4 and 5 with the name "Mark_Http_Webex". In this example this AVC profile is used to create a rule to mark "Http" with low priority and give "Webex" more precedence.

Configure AVC Profile



As discussed in previous steps 6, 7 and 8, click the AVC profile name to create rules for the profile. Click **Add New Rule**.



Select Application group from the first drop-down and Application name as **Webex** from second drop-down. Then, configure Action as **MARK** and select QOS profile as **Platinum** and the click **Apply**.



After **Apply** is clicked, the action rule will be created and displayed as captured in below screen. Click **Add New Rule** on same page to create another rule to MARK another application “Http”.



Create another rule in the same profile by just clicking **Add New Rule** on the same page. Select Application group from the first drop-down and Application name as **http** from second drop-down. Then, configure Action as **Mark** with QOS profile as Bronze. Then click **Apply**.

Configure AVC Profile



After **Apply** is clicked, the action rule will be created and displayed as captured in below screen.



Note: For the same AVC profile two rules are created. The Administrator can configure up to 32 rules in the same AVC profile. Individual rules can be configured for action MARK or DROP in the same profile. A single rule can only be configured with a single action i.e. either MARK or DROP.

The administrator is also flexible while configuring Action as MARK to choose the Differentiated Services Code Point (DSCP) value as Custom instead of selecting “Platinum/Gold/Silver/Bronze”. Once Custom is selected as DSCP value, a text field will be visible where admin can enter a custom DSCP value in range of 0 - 63.



- The Next step will be to apply these AVC profiles on the WLAN. Only one AVC profile can be mapped to a single WLAN. A single AVC profile can be mapped to multiple WLANs. Once an AVC profile is mapped to a WLAN and if it has a rule for MARK action, that application will get precedence as per QoS profile configured in AVC rule interacting with the QoS profile configured on the WLAN. All the AVC profiles created will be visible under AVC Profile drop-down in WLAN under QOS TAB. To see the AVC profile in the drop-down on WLAN, navigate to **WLANs > WLAN ID** and then click QOS tab. All the AVC profiles created are visible under the AVC Profile drop-down. The administrator can select the AVC profile on the WLAN as per network requirement.

Configure AVC Profile



11. For example, select the AVC profile **Block_YouTube** from the drop-down and click **Apply**.



Note: If Application visibility is not enabled on the WLAN, and users selects an AVC profile and Apply is clicked, this automatically enables Application visibility. But to disable Application visibility from WLAN, AVC profile, which is mapped to WLAN, should be removed first by selecting **None** from drop-down.

12. Once AVC profiles are applied on WLAN it is also visible under **Monitor > Applications**. All the WLANs which has Application Visibility enabled will be displayed



13. Now try to **open www.youtube.com** from wireless clients. Make sure that the client cannot play any videos on YouTube. Also try to open your Facebook account (in case you have one) and try to open any YouTube video from your Facebook account. You will observe YouTube videos cannot be played.

Because YouTube is blocked in the AVC profile and AVC profile is been mapped to WLAN, clients will not be able to access YouTube videos via browser or even via YouTube application or from any other website.

Note: If your browser was already open and running Youtube.com, refresh the browser for the AVC profile to take effect.

Configure AVC Profile

- Now change the AVC profile on the WLAN to test the MARK operation of the NBAR feature. Select AVC profile **Mark_Http_Webex** from the drop-down under QoS tab on the WLAN and click **Apply**.



- Once the AVC profiles are applied on the WLAN, it is also visible under **Monitor > Applications**. All the WLANs which has Application Visibility enabled will be displayed.



- Once the AVC profile **Mark_Http_Webex** is applied on the WLAN, initiate or login to your individual WebEx account (if you have one) and also initiate some HTTP connections and observe the marking for these two applications under client details. Once the AVC profile is mapped to a WLAN and if it has a rule for the MARK action, that application will get precedence as per QoS profile configured in AVC rule overriding the QoS profile configured on the WLAN.

Although the WLAN in this example is mapped to the default QoS profile **SILVER**, the AVC profile has been created and mapped to this WLAN to MARK application WebEx and HTTP with a different QoS profile. Traffic for application WebEx will be marked with **PLATINUM** profile and traffic for all HTTP application will be marked with **BRONZE** profile. Rest of the applications that do not match any rules in the AVC profile; will be marked with QoS profile configured on WLAN i.e. SILVER in this example.

- To see the markings stats for client traffic, navigate to **Monitor > Clients** and then click any individual client MAC entry listed on that page.

Configure NBAR NetFlow Monitor

MONITOR WLANs CONTROLLER WIRELESS SECURITY MANAGEMENT COMMANDS

Monitor Clients Entries 1 - 1 of 1

Summary

Access Points

Cisco CleanAir

Statistics

CDP

Rogues

Clients

Current Filter None [Change Filter] [Clear Filter]

Client MAC Address	AP Name	WLAN Profile	WLAN SSID	Status	Auth	Port
00:40:96:b9:2b:80	POD1-AP	POD1-Client	POD1-Client	Associated	Yes	1

After clicking on the individual client MAC entry listed on the above page, the client details page will open which will have two tabs; one for general information and another tab with name **AVC Statistics**. Click the **AVC Statistics** tab and further click the **UPSTREAM** tab to notice the MARKING operation of the AVC profile.

Clients > Detail

General AVC Statistics

Aggregate Upstream Downstream

Last 90 secs Stats

Application Name	Average Packet Size	Packet Count	Byte Count	Dscp In/Out
gtalk-chat	162	25	4063	0/ 0
yahoo-messenger	734	5	3671	0/ 0
webex-meeting	538	6	3232	0/46
http	245	12	2942	0/10
bittorrent	68	3	204	0/10
vnc	6	7	43	0/ 0

Cumulative Stats

Application Name	Packet Count	Byte Count
vnc	495	473474
http	124	128090
webex-meeting	72	40756
gtalk-chat	91	12696
yahoo-messenger	19	11013
bittorrent	12	612

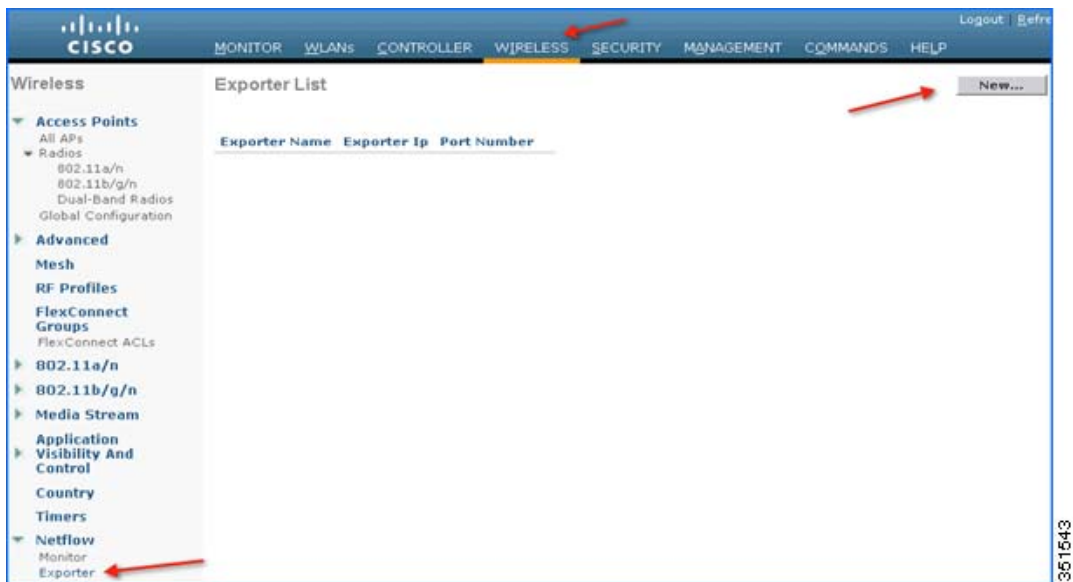
Notice the above output and make sure the WebEx application is getting OUT DSCP value as 46 because the WebEx application is been configured with Platinum QOS profile and HTTP application is getting OUT DSCP value as 10 because the HTTP application is been configured with Bronze profile.

Configure NBAR NetFlow Monitor

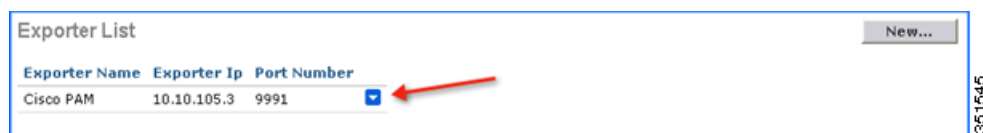
A NetFlow monitor can also be configured on the WLC to collect all the stats generated on a WLC and these can be exported to the NetFlow collector. In the following example, Cisco Performance Application Manager (PAM) is shown as being used as a NetFlow collector. PAM is a licensed application running on Cisco Prime Infrastructure.

1. Add NetFlow Exporter first on WLC by configuring Exporter (NetFlow collector). In this example Cisco PAM is an exporter. It collects all the NetFlow stats generated by the WLC. To add an exporter in the WLC, navigate to **Wireless > NetFlow > Exporter**, then click **New**.

Configure NBAR NetFlow Monitor



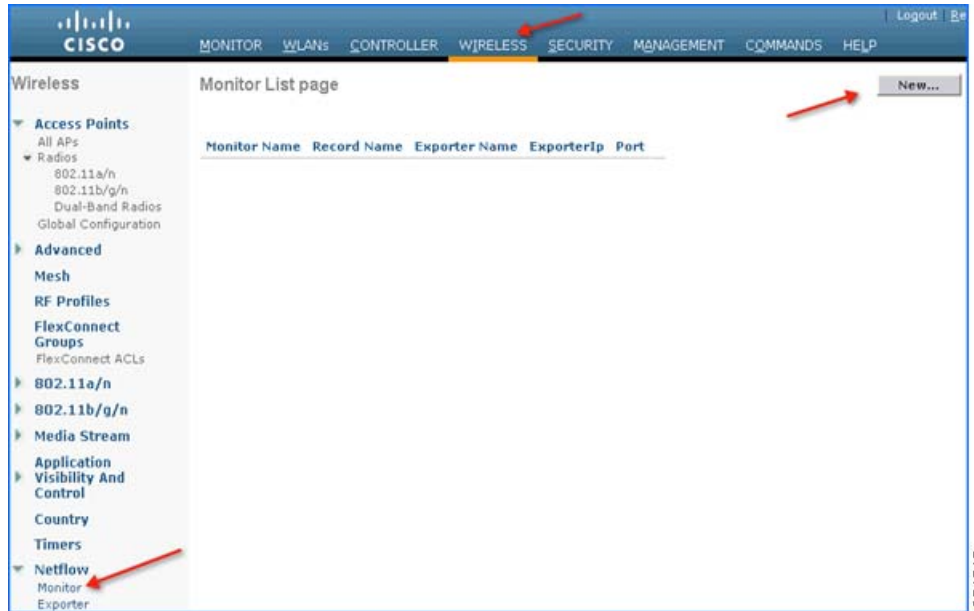
2. Enter the details of PAM, Exporter IP, as an example below 10.10.105.3 and Port Number as 9991 which will collect all the NetFlow stats generated by the WLC and then click **Apply**.



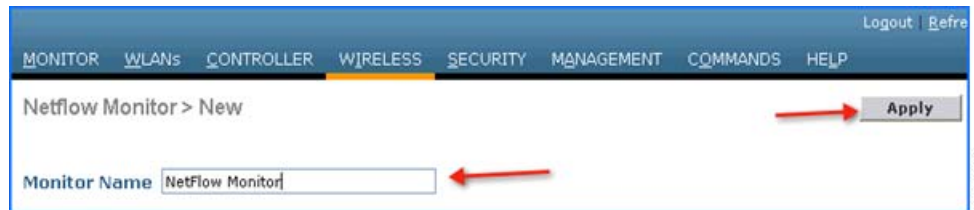
Note: Only one exporter can be added in the WLC.

3. After adding Exporter details on the WLC i.e. PAM server, a monitor needs to be created which will store the NetFlow stats and export the same to the PAM server. To create a Monitor, navigate to **Wireless > NetFlow > Monitor**, then click **New**.

Configure NBAR NetFlow Monitor



4. Enter any name to create the Monitor entry on WLC and click **Apply**.



5. Once applied, the Monitor entry will be created which will need to be further mapped to the Exporter created in step 2.



Note: Only one Monitor entry can be added in the WLC.

6. Click the Monitor entry and map it to the Exporter entry, which is Cisco PAM. The exporter name drop-down list the “Exporter” entry that is created above. Record name “ipv4_client_app_flow_record” is auto generated by WLC, which records all the NBAR statistics and exports to the Cisco PAM. Select this record name drop-down and click **Apply**.

Configure NBAR NetFlow Monitor



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- Once the Monitor entry is created and the Exporter entry is mapped to the same, it should be mapped to the WLAN. To map the exporter entry to WLAN, click **WLANs** and then click the specific **WLAN ID**. Click the **QoS** tab and choose the Monitor entry created above from the **NetFlow Monitor** drop-down and then click **Apply** on the WLAN Edit page.

Note: Please make sure the configured Exporter Port is 9991.



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- Now open a new tab on the browser and login to the Cisco Prime Infrastructure Server to add individual WLCs to PAM.

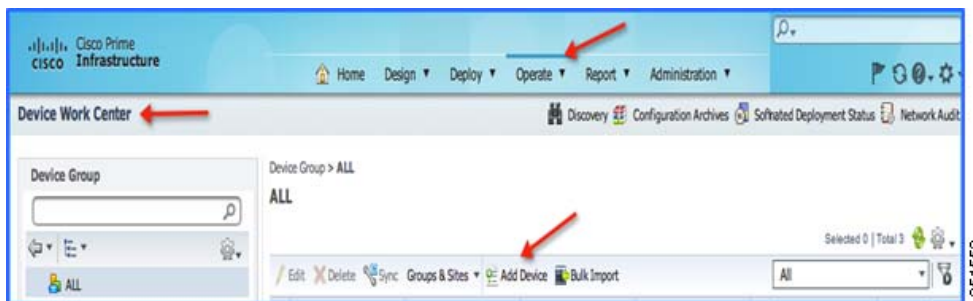
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Password: XXXXXXXX

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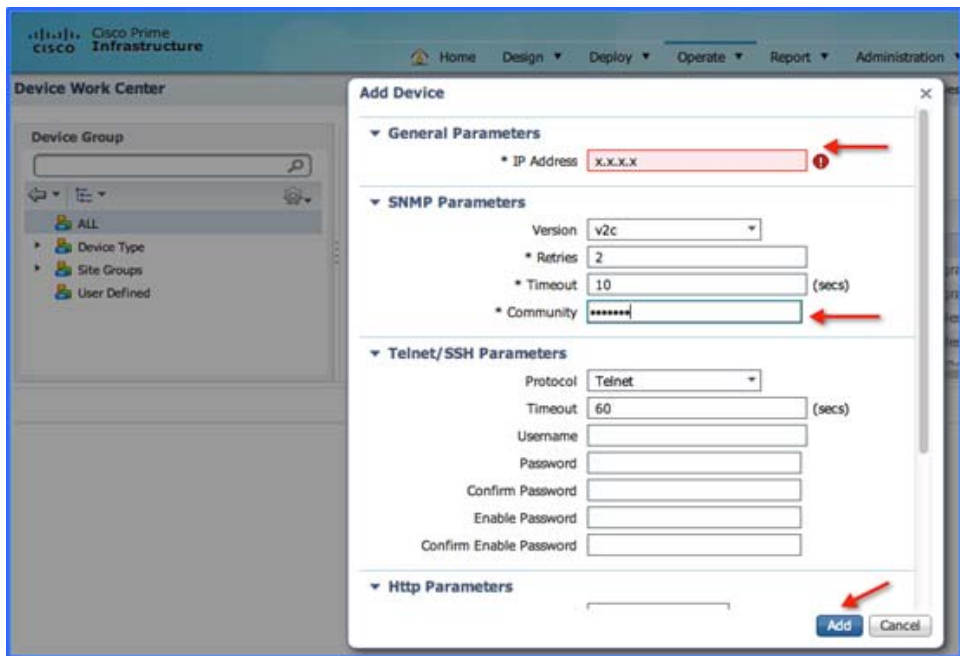


9. Add the WLC in Cisco PAM. To add WLC into Cisco PAM, login to Cisco PAM and navigate to **Operate > Device Work Center**, then click **Add Device** in the Lifecycle Theme.



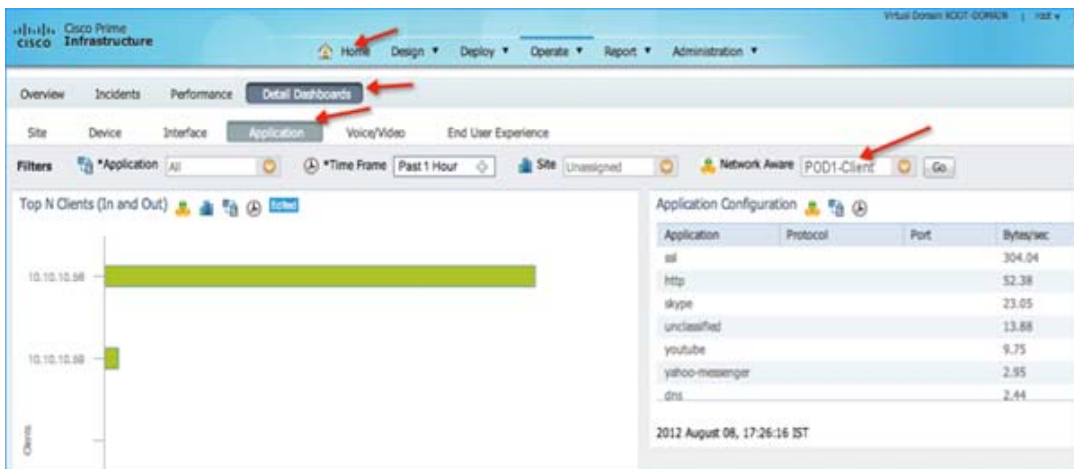
10. Enter the details of individual WLC i.e. WLC Management IP Address (Example WLC-POD4 = 10.10.40.2) and **Community String** as public and then click **Add**.

Configure NBAR NetFlow Monitor



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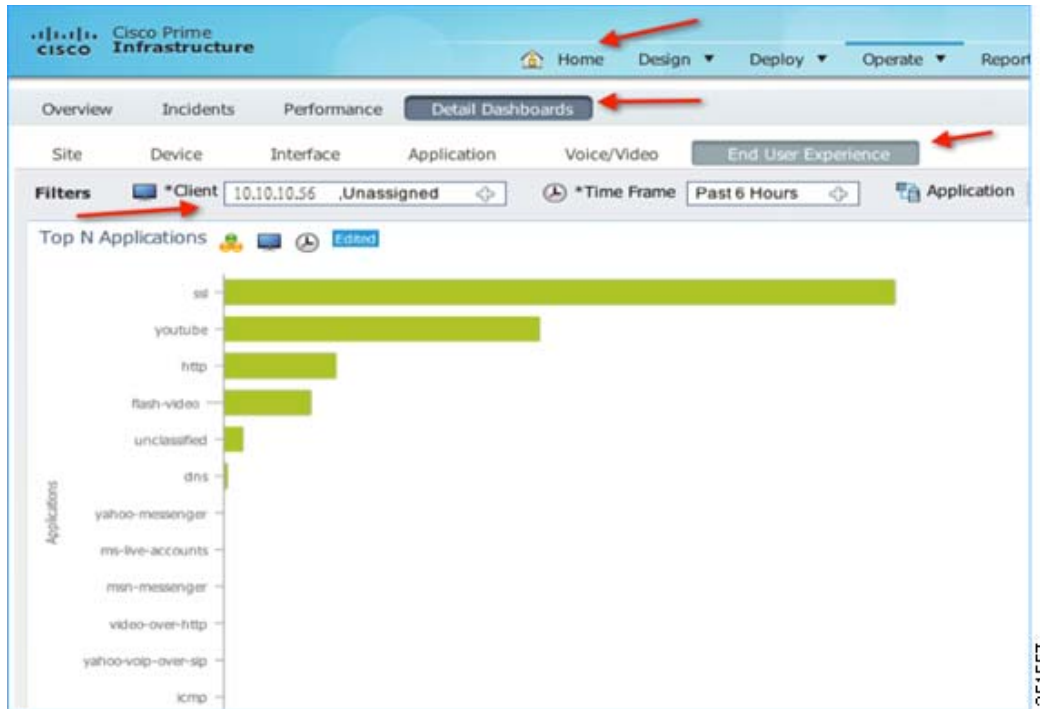
11. Once the WLC is added, start some traffic from wireless clients. You can view the number of clients per WLAN and usage per client. To see the usage by clients, navigate to **Home > Detail Dashboards > Application**. Now filter the Application Box as **All**, Site as **Unassigned**, and Network Aware as **Wireless > PODX-Client** and then click **Go**.



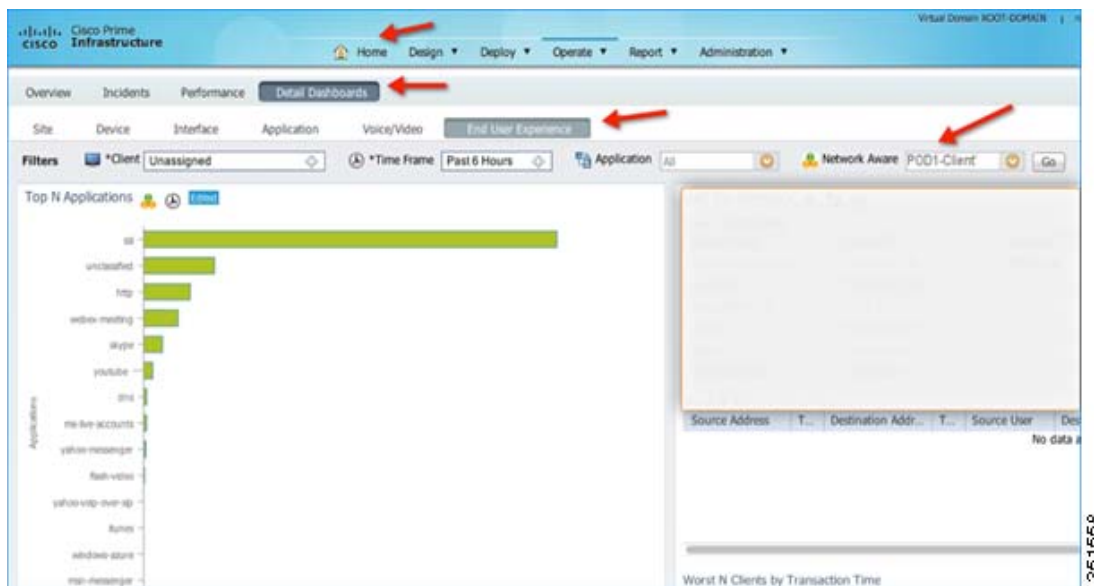
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Note: You can see the number of clients on WLAN “POD1-Client” which is filtered under Network Aware. Also, in same screen, you can see the applications used by both the clients.

12. To see the application usage by a particular client, navigate to **Home > Detail Dashboards > End User Experience > Under Filter** and then select the client IP.



13. To see application usage per WLAN, navigate to **Home > Detail Dashboards > End User Experience > Under Filter** and then select the Network Aware as **WLAN** i.e. POD1-Client in this example. Click **GO**.



AVC-Phase 3 in CUWN Release 8.0

In this release, a lot of enhancement has been made on the AVC feature set that includes the following:

- AAA AVC Profile override for clients.
- Application rate limiting per-user on WLAN.

- Integration of AVC profiles to the Local Policy classification per user and per device.
- AVC Directional QoS DSCP Marking for Upstream and Downstream traffic.
- Support for 1105 applications with Protocol Pack 9.0 and NBAR Engine release 3.1.

AAA AVC Profile Override for Clients

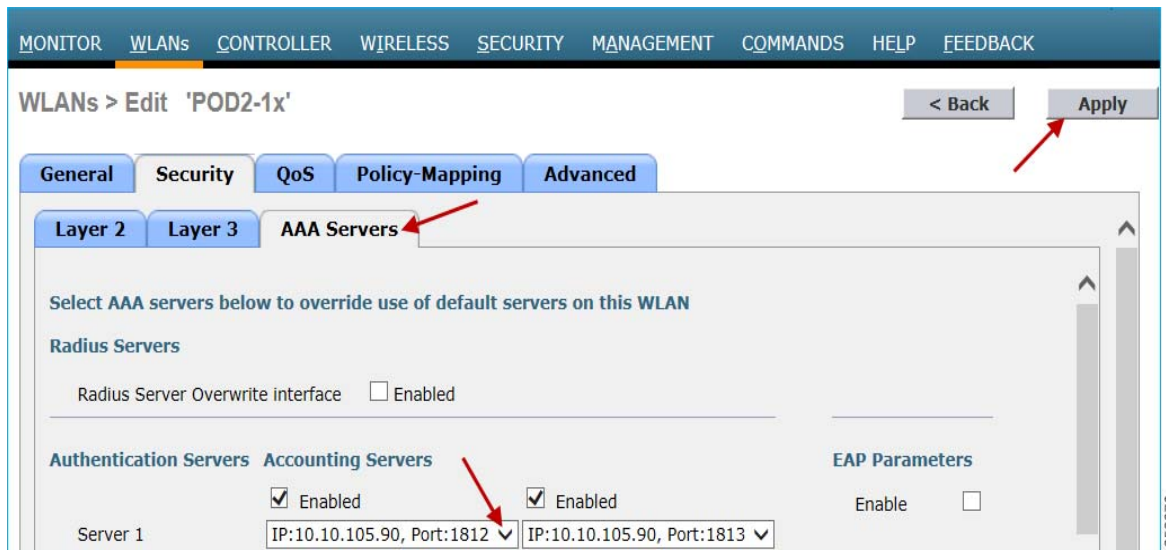
As mentioned above in releases 7.4, 7.5, and 7.6, the AVC Profile is configured on a WLAN and all clients connected to that WLAN inherit the same AVC profile. The value proposition to allow for the AAA AVC profile override is to enable different clients (logging in as different users) to obtain different AVC profiles even though they are connected to the same WLAN.

The AAA attribute for a client or user profile can be configured on AAA servers, for example, Cisco ACS or ISE. The AAA attribute is defined as a generic Cisco AV Pair and can be defined as a string and value pair in AAA. This attribute is processed during L2/L3 Authentication by the WLC and the same is overridden by what is configured on the WLAN.

Steps to Configure Application Visibility Per User Role

Complete these steps:

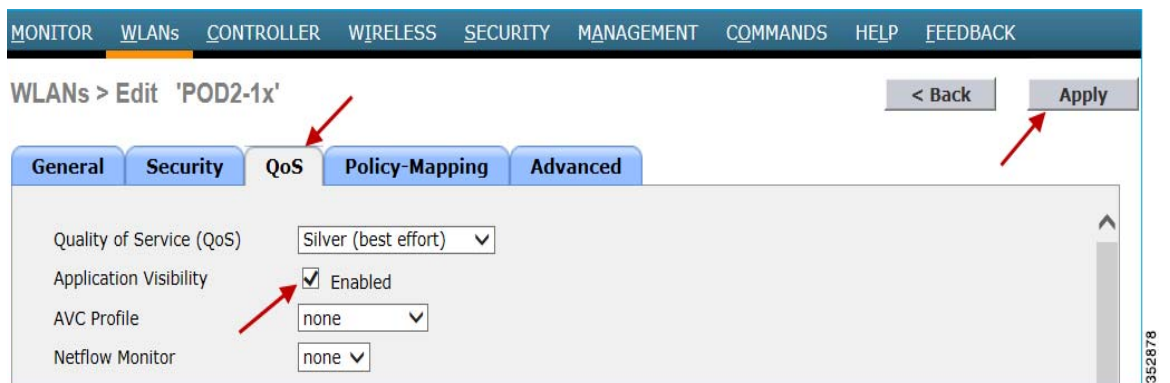
1. Create/Configure a WLAN with L2 Security set for WPA2/802.1x authentication. Assuming that the user/administrator has already configured the AAA server for dot1x authentication, choose the AAA server from the **Authentication Servers** drop-down list and click **Apply**.



Click the **Advanced** tab and enable “AAA Override” as shown below.



2. To enable Application Visibility, click the **WLAN ID** and in the **QoS** tab, check the **Enabled** check box for **Application Visibility**. Click **Apply**.

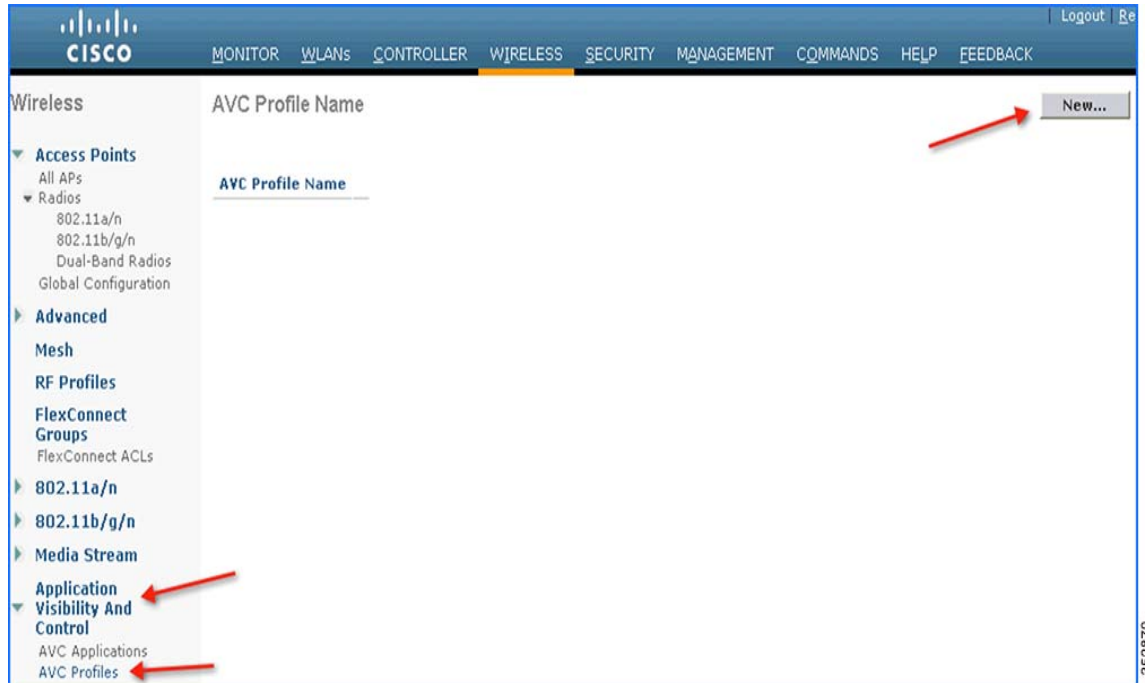


AAA Configuration for AVC Profile

The AAA AVC Profile is defined as a Cisco AV Pair. The string is defined as **avc-profile-name** and this has to be configured for any AVC profile existing on the WLC.

Complete these steps:

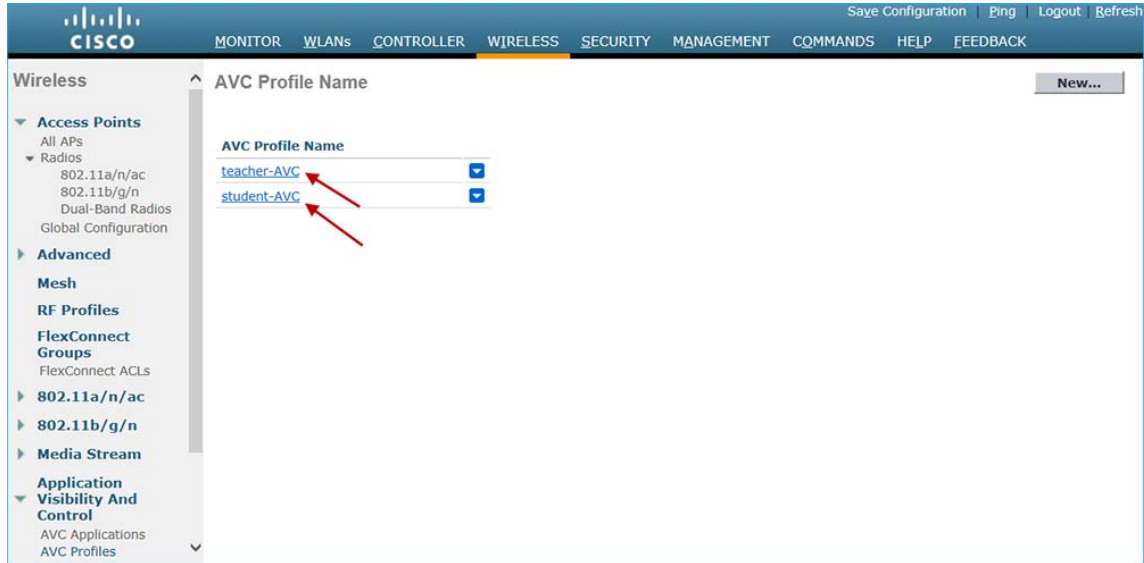
1. To demonstrate the AVC profile being applied per user through AAA server, create AVC profiles by navigating to **Wireless > Application Visibility And Control > AVC Profiles** and click **New**. In this setup/example, we created a teacher-AVC and student-AVC. We will mark specific traffic (YouTube and so on) for user/role teacher and block/drop the specific application/traffic (YouTube, Facebook and so on) for user/role student. You can create your own AVC profiles according to your network requirements.



2. Enter the AVC profile name and click **Apply**. Similarly, create another profile.



3. The AVC profile is created and you can view the above created profile, which can be clicked to create rules to take drop/mark/Rate Limit action from the GUI. A maximum of 16 AVC profiles can be created on the WLC.



4. After creating the AVC profiles, you can click any profile name and create rules for individual profiles. A maximum of 32 rules can be configured in each profile. Rules can be configured to take any of the 3 actions, that is, DROP, MARK, and RATE LIMIT. If no rule is configured for any application, the default action will be “Allow” with the QOS policy configured on the WLAN. To create rules for a profile, go to **Wireless > Application Visibility And Control > AVC Profiles**, and then click any **Profile**.



Note: WLC is capable of classifying 1105 applications with Protocol Pack 11.0 and gives an option to take action. To take an action on any application, the administrator has to select the application group first to which that application belongs, which will filter the list of applications for that application group only. The reason for this implementation is all 1105

applications cannot be displayed in a single drop-down. The administrator is also flexible while configuring Action as MARK to choose the Differentiated Services Code Point (DSCP) value as Custom instead of selecting “Platinum/Gold/Silver/Bronze”. Once Custom is selected as the DSCP value, a text field will be visible where the admin can enter the custom DSCP value in the range of 0 - 63.

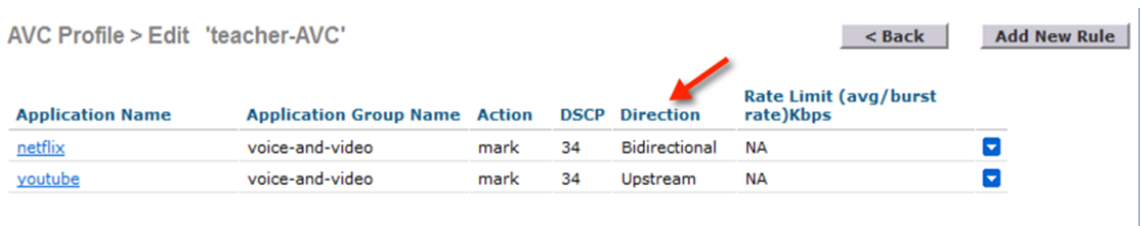
Prior to Release 8.0, the DSCP Marking is only applied bi-directionally for traffic. But in Release 8.0, an extra configuration parameter of “Direction” is available where marking can be specified with respect to direction, that is, Upstream or Downstream as shown below.



5. Once the appropriate Marking is selected, click **Apply**. The action rule will be created and is displayed as captured in the below screen. You can add more rules under the same AVC profile on the same page. A maximum of 32 rules can be configured in a single AVC profile.

Another rule can be configured under the same AVC profile to MARK traffic with a different QoS profile or custom DSCP value with a specific direction.

Here, we configured Netflix and YouTube to be marked for the AVC profile “teacher-AVC” with DSCP 34 (Gold) with the direction set to Bidirectional and Upstream, respectively.



6. Similarly, the following example displays another AVC profile (student-AVC) for a different role type, which is student in our setup and is configured to drop Facebook, YouTube, and BitTorrent traffic.

AVC Profile > Edit 'student-AVC' < Back Add New Rule

Application Name	Application Group Name	Action	DSCP
youtube	none	drop	NA
facebook	none	drop	NA
bittorrent	none	drop	NA
ftp	none	drop	NA

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7. Now, assume that the user/administrator has already configured the AAA server (ISE/ACS/Open Radius) with users (teacher and student), devices (WLC), and Authorization Profiles. To configure the AAA Server to match the profile for the AVC set on the WLC, from ISE main menu bar, go to **Policy > Policy Elements > Results > Authorization > Authorization Profiles**. Here, you see the configured profiles (Student and Teacher) displayed in the example screenshot below.

Identity Services Engine

Home Operations Policy Administration

Authentication Authorization Profiling Posture Client Provisioning Security Group Access Policy Elements

Dictionary Conditions Results

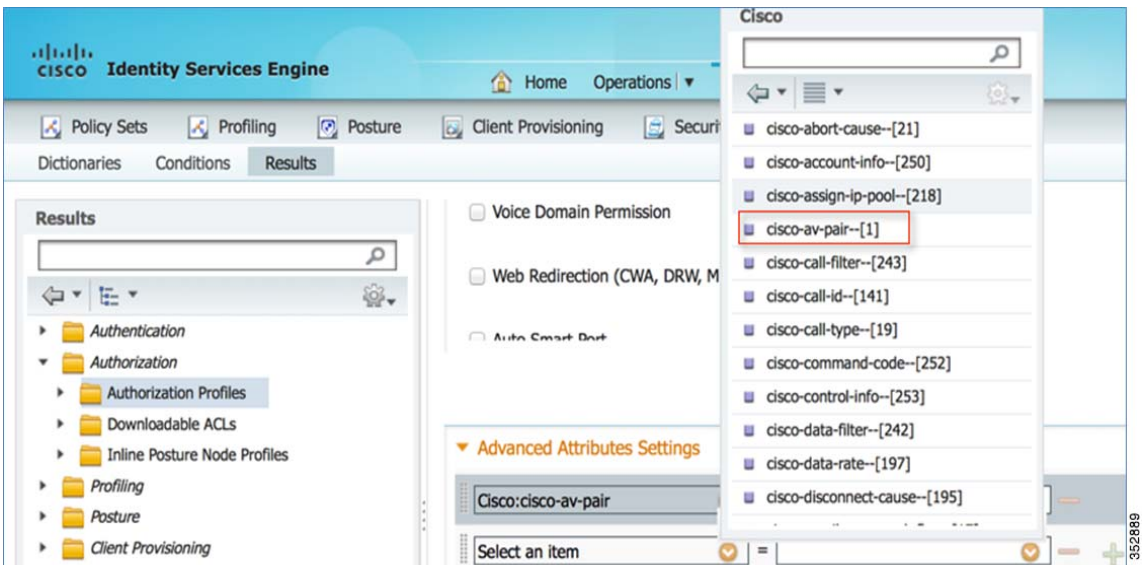
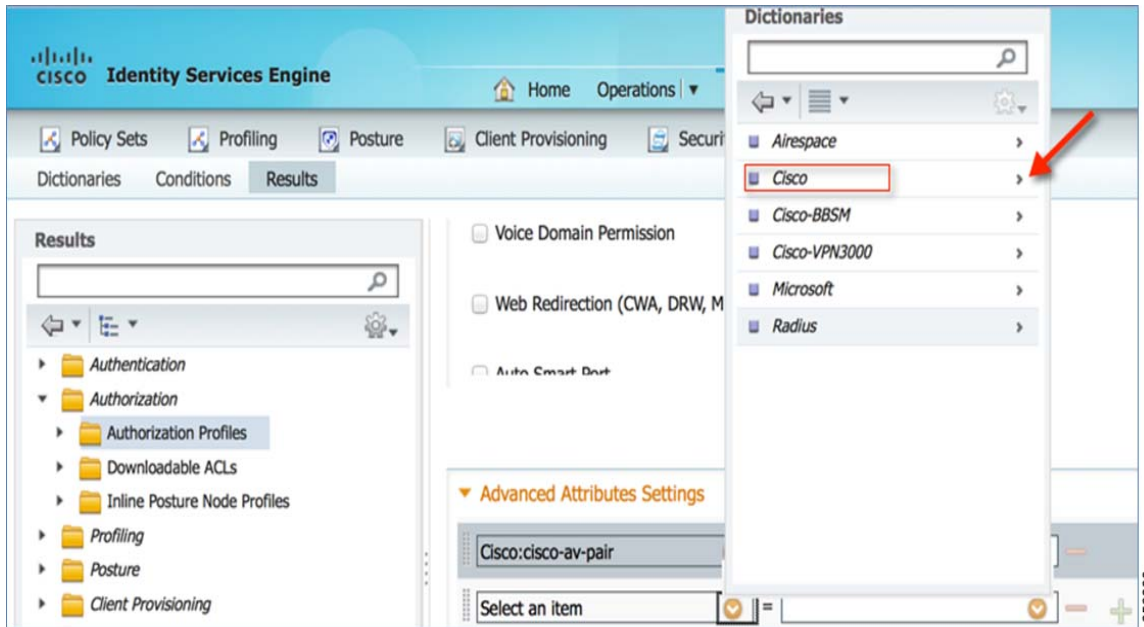
Results

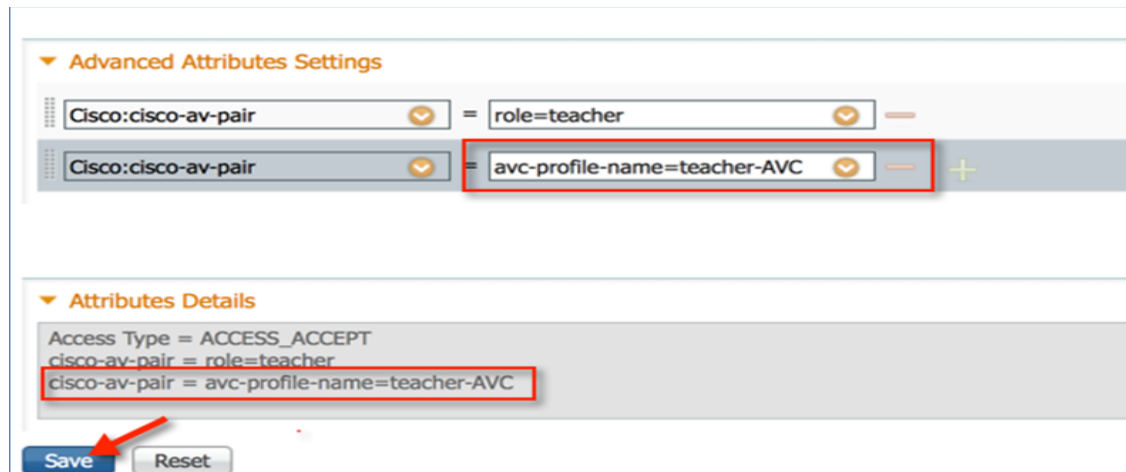
Standard Authorization Profiles

Name	Description
Blackhole_Wireless_Access	Default profile used to blacklist wireless devices. Ensure that you
Cisco_IP_Phones	Default profile used for Cisco Phones.
DenyAccess	Default Profile with access type as Access-Reject
Non_Cisco_IP_Phones	Default Profile used for Non Cisco Phones.
PermitAccess	Default Profile with access type as Access-Accept
Student	
Teacher	

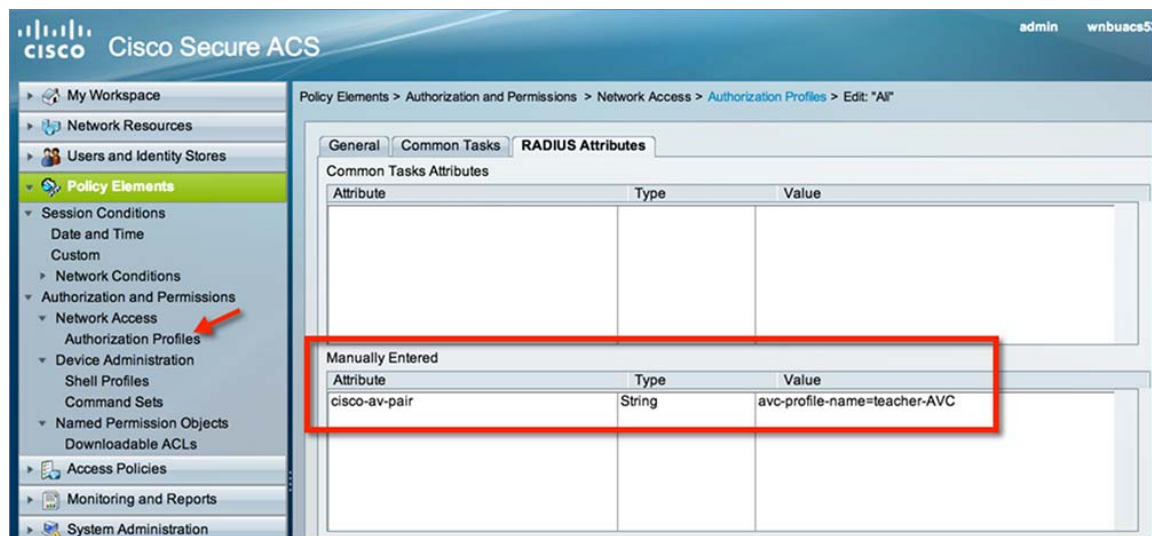
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8. Click the authorization profile which you created for the role Teacher, and under **Advanced Attributes Settings**, configure AVC Profile Name by adding **cisco-av-pair=avc-profile-name=The AVC profile name created on the WLC**, as shown below.





If you are using the Cisco ACS, go to **Policy Elements > Authorization and Permissions > Network Access > Authorization Profiles**. Add **cisco-av-pair** to match the string value **avc-profile-name=The AVC profile name created on the WLC**.



Similarly, configure the Authorization profile for student as well. Once configuration is done, you can connect a wireless client to the 802.1x WLAN with teacher credentials. You will be able to access Netflix and YouTube.

When the wireless client (with role student) connects to the same 802.1x WLAN, the client cannot play any videos on YouTube. Also, if the client tries to access a Facebook page and tries to open any YouTube video from the Facebook account, the YouTube video will not be played.

Because both YouTube and Facebook are blocked in the AVC profile for Student-AVC, therefore clients with student role will not be able to access YouTube videos via a browser or even via a YouTube application or from any other website nor they can access Facebook.

On the other hand, when the client logs in with Teacher credentials, the traffic is just marked and no application is dropped.

To verify if the policy is applied, from the WLC CLI prompt, run the following command:

`show client detail mac_address`, then scroll down to see the applied profile.


```

(POD2-WLC) >show client detail 18:20:32:bd:52:b7
Client MAC Address..... 18:20:32:bd:52:b7
Client Username ..... teacher1
AP MAC Address..... 3c:ce:73:38:24:70
AP Name..... POD2-AP3600
AP radio slot Id..... 1
Client State..... Associated
Client MAC OOB State..... Access
Wireless LAN Id..... 1
Hotspot (802.11u)..... Not Supported
BSSID..... 3c:ce:73:38:24:7f
Connected For ..... 8288 secs
Channel..... 64
IP Address..... 10.10.21.200
Gateway Address..... 10.10.21.1
Netmask..... 255.255.255.0
Association Id..... 1
Authentication Algorithm..... Open System
Reason Code..... 1
Status Code..... 0
Client CCX version..... No CCX support
Re-Authentication Timeout..... 686
QoS Level..... Silver

--More-- or (q)uit
Avg data Rate..... 0
Burst data Rate..... 0
Avg Real time data Rate..... 0
Burst Real Time data Rate..... 0
802.1P Priority Tag..... disabled
CTS Security Group Tag..... Not Applicable
KTS CAC Capability..... No
WMM Support..... Enabled
  APSD Acs..... BK BE UI UO
Power Save..... ON
Current Rate..... m7
Supported Rates..... 6.0,9.0,12.0,18.0,24.0,36.0,
  48.0,54.0
Mobility State..... Local
Mobility Move Count..... 0
Security Policy Completed..... Yes
Policy Manager State..... RUN
Policy Manager Rule Created..... Yes
Audit Session ID..... 0a0a14020000006752afa3c3
AAA Role Type..... teacher
Local Policy Applied..... none
IPv4 ACL Name..... none
FlexConnect ACL Applied Status..... Unavailable

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Application Rate Limiting Through AVC

In this release, we can configure only 3 applications for rate limiting which can be done from the WLC CLI through the following command:

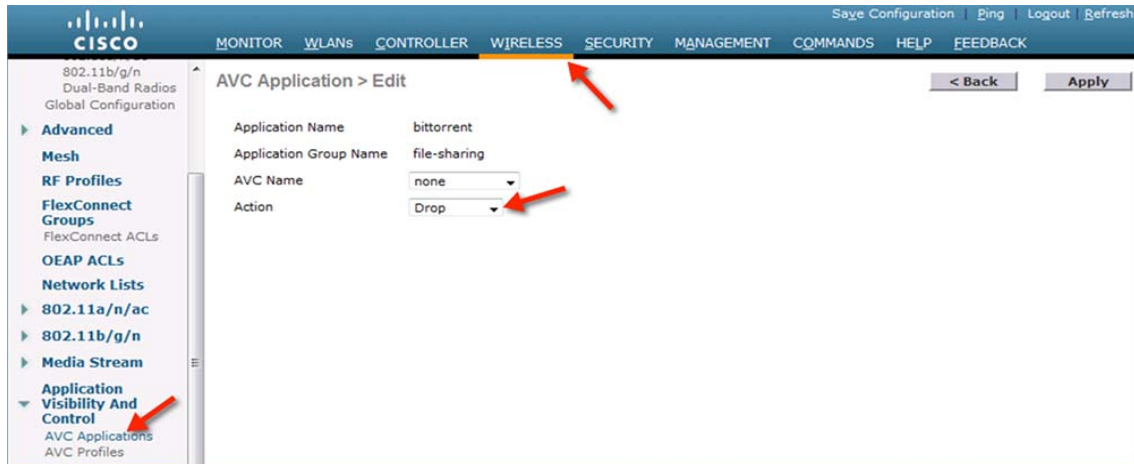
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(WLC) >config avc profile <prof-name> {add|remove} rule application <app-name> {drop|mark
<dscp-value>|ratelimit <avg_rate> <burst_rate>}
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Note: The minimum ratelimit value can be set from minimum 0 Kbps to maximum 2147483647 Kbps.

The configuration example below is performed on the profile “student-AVC” when using the BitTorrent application:

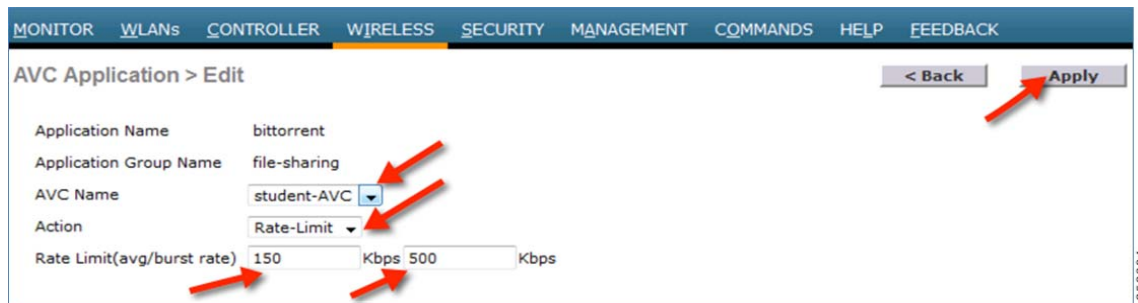
```
(WLC) >config avc profile student-AVC rule add application bittorrent ratelimit 150 500
```

Similarly, from the WLC GUI, the Rate Limiting can be configured by selecting the application on which the user wants to apply Rate Limit and from the **Action** drop-down list, choose **Rate-Limit**.



This brings up an option for the user to configure the average and burst rates for the desired application that the user needs to rate limit. The user can assign any value in Kbps from 0 to 2147483647. Once the Rate-Limit is set, the user can choose the “AVC Name” on which he wants to apply the Rate Limit and click **Apply**.

In this example, we are rate limiting the BitTorrent application with the average rate set to 150 Kbps and burst rate set to 500 Kbps and applying this to the AVC profile “student-AVC”.



The BitTorrent application displays **ratelimit** in the **Action** column with Rate Limit average and burst rate values.

Application Name	Application Group Name	Action	DSCP	Direction	Rate Limit (avg/burst rate)Kbps
youtube	voice-and-video	drop	NA	NA	NA
facebook	browsing	drop	NA	NA	NA
ftp	file-sharing	drop	NA	NA	NA
bittorrent	file-sharing	ratelimit	NA	NA	150 / 500

NBAR Facts (AVC Phase 3)

- NBAR Engine 13 and PP 11.0 can support 1105 different applications.
- Three actions DROP, MARK and RATE LIMIT is possible on any classified application.
- A maximum of 16 AVC profiles can be created on the WLC.

- Each AVC profile can be configured with a maximum of 32 rules.
- The same AVC profile can be mapped to multiple WLANs. But one WLAN can have only one AVC profile.
- Only one NetFlow exporter and monitor can be configured on the WLC.
- NBAR statistics are displayed only for the top 30 applications on the GUI. The CLI can be used to see all applications.
- NBAR is supported on WLANs configured for central switching only.
- If the AVC profile mapped to the WLAN has a rule for MARK action, that application will get precedence as per QOS profile configured in the AVC rule overriding the QOS profile configured on the WLAN.
- Directional Marking can only be applied either Bidirectional, Upstream or Downstream on a particular application.
- Currently, Rate Limit can only be applied to three applications.
- Any application that is not supported/recognized by the NBAR engine on the WLC is captured under bucket of UNCLASSIFIED traffic.
- IPv6 traffic cannot be classified.
- AAA override of AVC profiles is supported in 8.0 release.
- The AVC profile can be configured per WLAN and applied per user basis.
- NBAR is not supported in vWLC and SRE WLC.

AVC Profiles Attached to Local Policies

In Release 8.0, an AVC profile can be mapped to a local policy for a client with a particular device type. Ensure that each local policy can be configured with a different AVC/mDNS profile name based on the AAA override to restrict the policy from being able to use the services not allowed by the profile on the same WLAN.

Introduction to Profiling and Policy Engine on the WLC

Cisco currently offers a rich set of features which provide device identification, onboarding, posture, and policy, through ISE. This new feature on the WLC does the profiling of devices based on protocols such as HTTP, DHCP, and so on to identify the end devices on the network. The user can configure the device-based policies and enforce per user or per device policy on the network. The WLC will also display statistics based on per user or per device end points and policies applicable per device.

With BYOD (Bring your own device), this feature has an impact on understanding the different devices on the network. With this, BYOD can be implemented on a small scale within the WLC itself.

Scope and Objectives

In this section, the user will be configuring and implementing Profiling and Policy on a Cisco WLC running AireOS 8.0 code.

The profiling and policy enforcement will be configured as two separate components. The configuration on the WLC is based on defined parameters specific to clients joining the network. The policy attributes which are of interest are:

- a. Role–Role defines the user type or the user group the user belongs to.

For example: Student or Employee

- b. Device–Device defines the type of device.

For example: Windows machine, Smart phone, Apple device such as iPad, iPhone and so on.

- c. Time of day—Allows configuration to be defined at what time of the day end-points are allowed on the network.
- d. EAP Type—Checks what EAP method the client is getting connected to.

The above parameters are configurable as policy match attributes. Once the WLC has a match corresponding to the above parameters per end-point, the policy enforcement comes into picture. Policy enforcement will be based on session attributes such as:

- VLAN
- ACL
- Session Timeout
- QoS
- Sleeping Client
- Flexconnect ACL
- AVC profile (added in 8.0 release)
- mDNS profile (added in 8.0 release)

The user can configure these policies and enforce end-points with specified policies. The wireless clients will be profiled based on the MAC OUI, DHCP, and HTTP user agent (valid Internet required for successful HTTP profiling). The WLC uses these attributes and predefined classification profiles to identify the device.

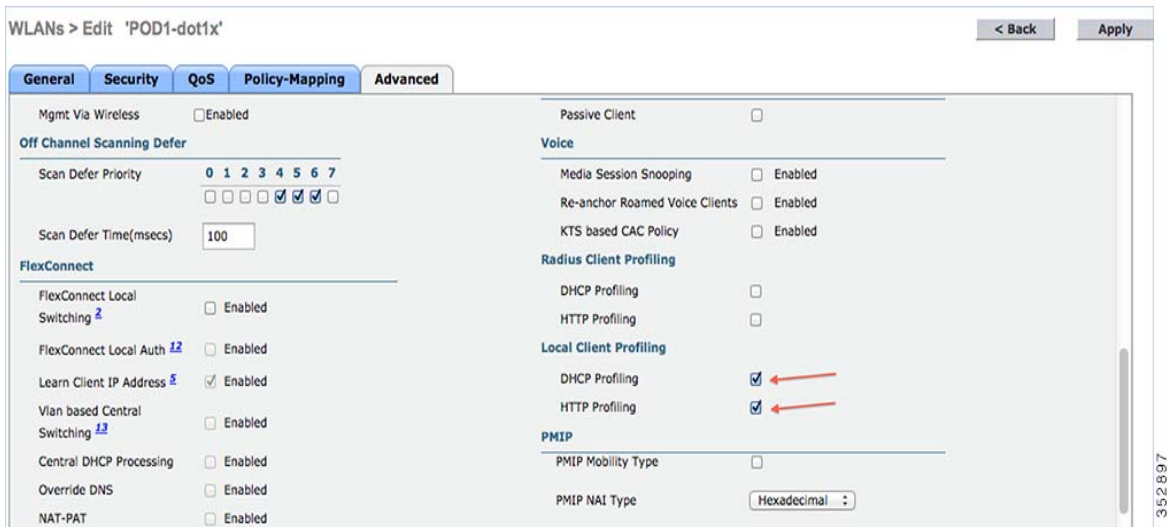
Profiling and Policy Configuration

Complete these steps:

1. To configure device profiling on a WLAN, go to the specific WLAN on which you want to implement Native profiling and policy and click the **Advanced** tab. Disable **Allow AAA Override** if it is enabled. In the **DHCP** area, check the **Required** check box for **DHCP Addr. Assignment**.

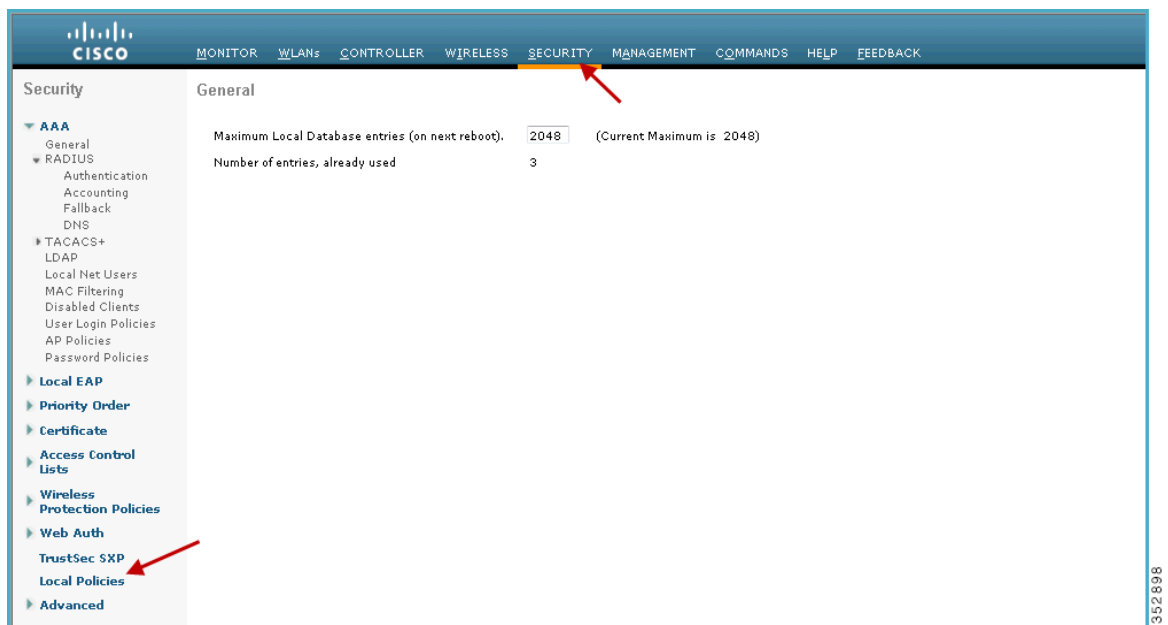
The screenshot shows the configuration page for a WLAN named 'POD1-dot1x'. The 'Advanced' tab is selected. In the 'DHCP' section, the 'DHCP Addr. Assignment' checkbox is checked and set to 'Required', indicated by a red arrow. Other settings include 'Allow AAA Override' (disabled), 'Coverage Hole Detection' (checked), 'Enable Session Timeout' (checked, 1800s), 'Aironet IE' (checked), 'Diagnostic Channel' (disabled), 'Override Interface ACL' (IPv4: None, IPv6: None), 'Layer2 Acl' (None), 'P2P Blocking Action' (Disabled), 'Client Exclusion' (checked, 60s), 'Maximum Allowed Clients' (0), 'DHCP Server' (Override), 'DHCP V6 Server' (Override), 'OEAP Split Tunnel' (disabled), and 'Management Frame Protection (MFP)' (Optional).

2. After enabling the DHCP required option, scroll down and in the **Local Client Profiling** area, enable DHCP Profiling and HTTP Profiling if they are not enabled and click **Apply**.



Creating Policies on the WLAN from the WLC GUI

- Once Profiling is configured, we can move on to create Local policies and apply them on the WLAN. On the WLC menu bar, go to **Security > Local Policies**, which will take you to the Policy List.



- When in the Local Policy List, click **New** to create a Policy Name. In this example, **teacher-LP** is used as a policy name, but you can use any name to define your own policy.



The screenshot shows a web-based configuration interface for creating a new policy. At the top, there is a navigation menu with the following items: MONITOR, WLANS, CONTROLLER, WIRELESS, SECURITY (highlighted), MANAGEMENT, COMMANDS, HELP, and FEEDBACK. Below the menu, the page title is 'Policy > New'. On the right side of this header, there are two buttons: '< Back' and 'Apply'. The main content area contains a 'Policy Name' label followed by a text input field containing the text 'teacher-LP'. A red arrow points to the right side of this input field. On the far right edge of the page, there is a vertical sidebar with several small, circular icons.

Once policy name is configured, you can create policies to match a Role, EAP Type, and Device Type. Also, you can define the required actions related to the Match criteria.

Here, in our setup we use **User Role** and **Device Type** to Match Criteria, but you can use any other type if required.

Note: Make sure Match Role string is the same as AAA defined role name. In this example, it is configured as teacher.

5. Enter User Role and click **Apply**. Here the role name “teacher” is used as an example.

6. To apply the policy based on a user device, in the **Device List** area, from the **Device Type** drop-down list, choose the device type on which you want to enforce the policy and then click **Add**.

Here, we used **Apple-iPad** as a device type for **Match Criteria**. You can add Apple-iPhone and other Apple devices as well from the **Device Type** drop-down list.

Note: If you do not want to match any device type then do not configure the **Device Type** option.

7. To apply the appropriate action, choose from the parameters under the **Action** area to enforce the policy. Select the AVC profile that should be defined in the last section.

Policy Name: teacher-LP
 Policy Id: 7

Match Criteria

Match Role String: teacher
 Match EAP Type: none

Device List

Device Type: Android [Add]
 Apple-iPad:

Action

IPv4 ACL: none
 VLAN ID: 0
 Qos Policy: none
 Session Timeout (seconds): 1800
 Sleeping Client Timeout (min): 720
 Flexconnect ACL: none
 AVC Profile: teacher-AVC
 mDNS Profile: none

Active Hours

Day: Mon
 Start Time: [] Hours [] Mins
 End Time: [] Hours [] Mins
 [Add]

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8. User can create more than one Local policy and apply it for student as “student-LP”.

Note: Ensure that the **Match Role String** is the same as the defined role name on the AAA/Radius Server.

To apply the policy based on a user device, in the **Device List** area, from the **Device Type** drop-down list, choose the device type (Apple-iPad) on which you want to enforce the policy and then click **Add**.

To apply the appropriate action, choose from the parameters under the **Action** area to enforce the Policy. Select the AVC profile (student-AVC) that should be defined in the last section.

Policy > Edit

Policy Name: student-LP
Policy Id: 6

Match Criteria

Match Role String: ←

Match EAP Type:

Device List

Device Type:

Apple-iPad: ←

Action

IPv4 ACL:

VLAN ID:

Qos Policy:

Session Timeout (seconds):

Sleeping Client Timeout (min):

Flexconnect ACL:

AVC Profile: ←

mDNS Profile:

Active Hours

Day:

Start Time: Hours Mins

End Time: Hours Mins

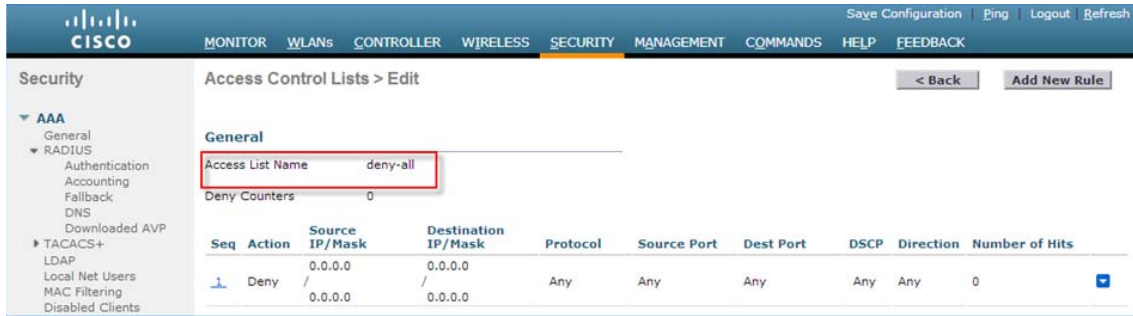
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9. Create a default local policy for any other device.

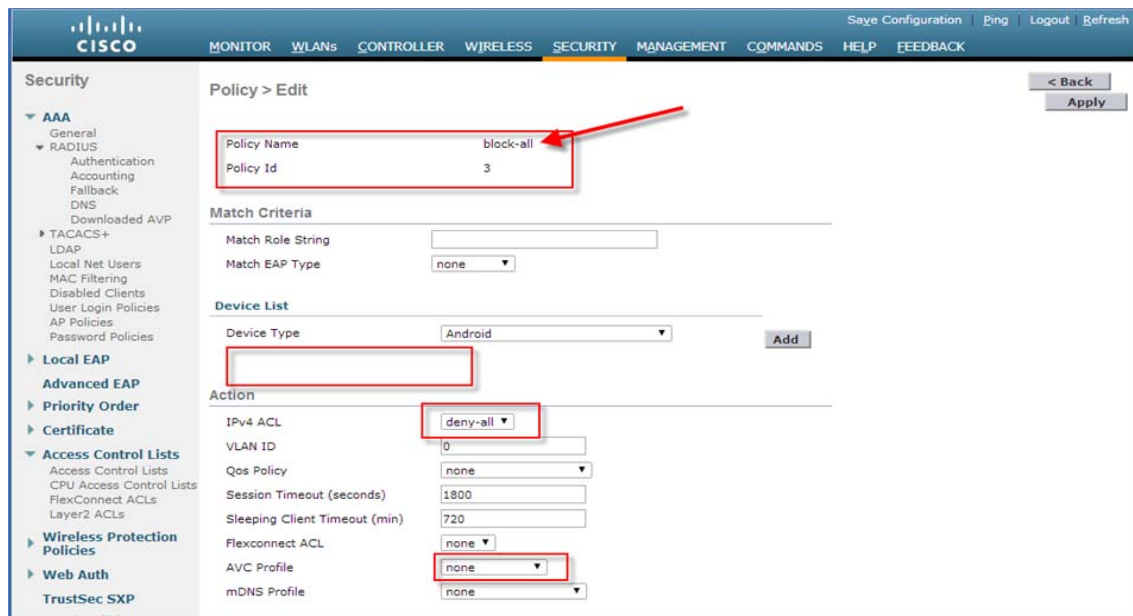
If no other ACL is applied in the Local policy, then any other device, other than Apple-iPad, will be able to access the applications because the final filter function of all policies is **Allow all**.

In order to block all applications on all devices except Apple-iPad, create a **deny all** ACL and apply it on the Local Policy and then apply that policy on the WLAN as the last resort. See the configuration examples in the screenshots below.

Create an ACL to deny all IPv4 flow.



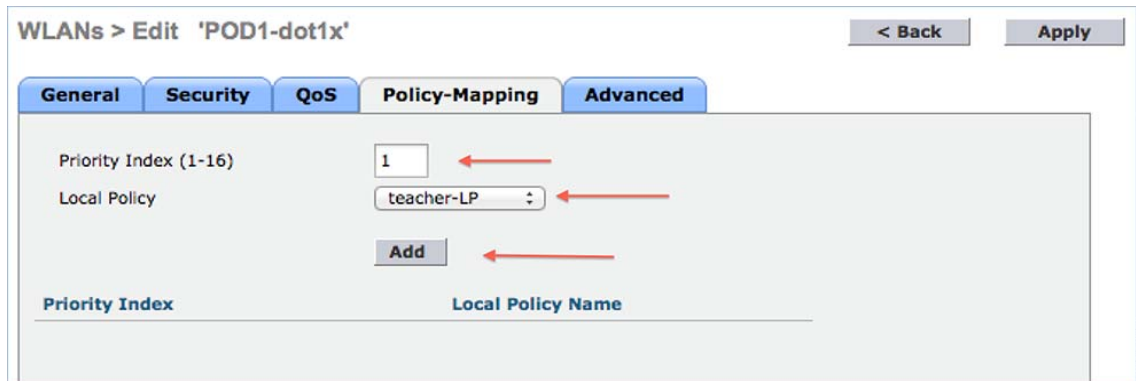
Create a Local Policy **Block-all** and apply the **deny all** ACL to it, do not choose any devices roles or profiles.



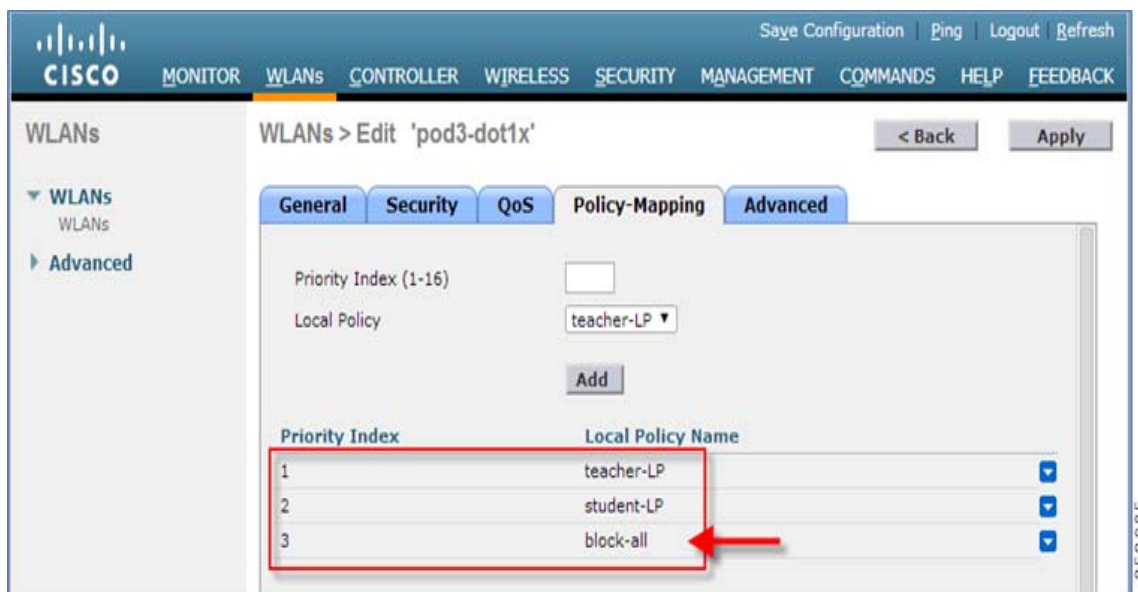
Mapping Policy on WLAN

1. Go to **WLANs** from the WLC menu bar and click the **WLAN ID** on which you want the policy to be implemented. From the WLAN edit menu, click the **Policy-Mapping** tab.

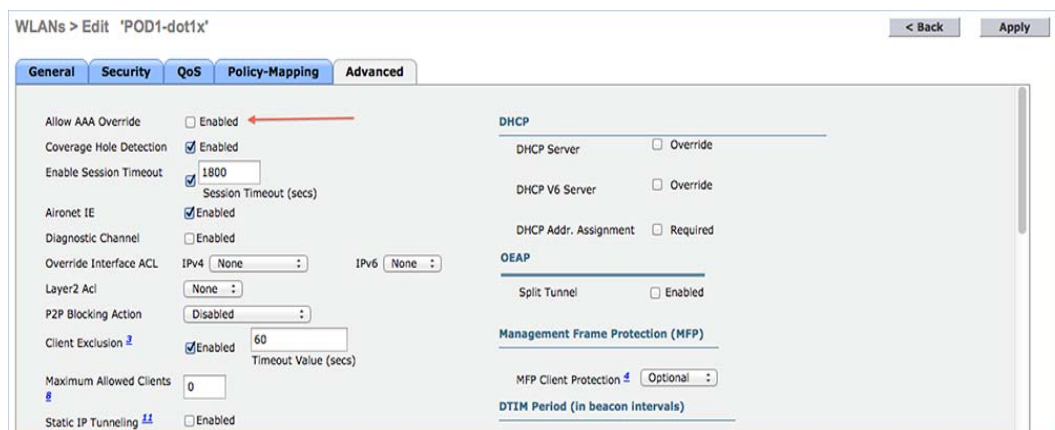
Set the Priority index to any value from 1-16. From the **Local Policy** drop-down list, choose the policy which you have already created. To apply the policy on the WLAN, click **Add**. The policy will be mapped to the WLAN and can be seen under Policy Name.



2. Add the appropriate policies to **Policy-Mapping** under WLAN.

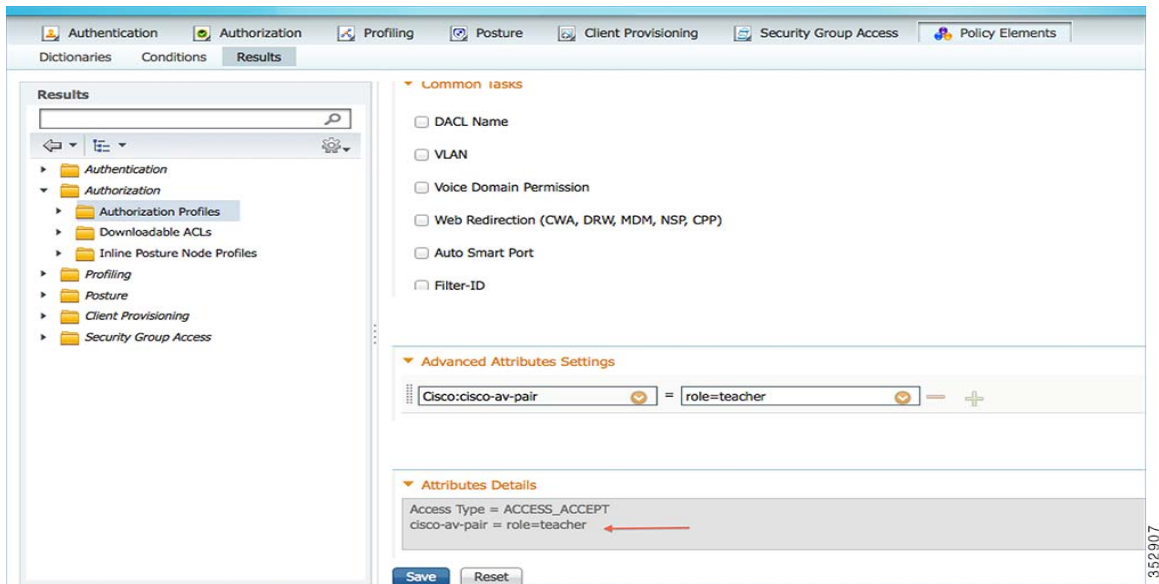


3. In the **Advanced** tab, disable **Allow AAA Override** if it is enabled.

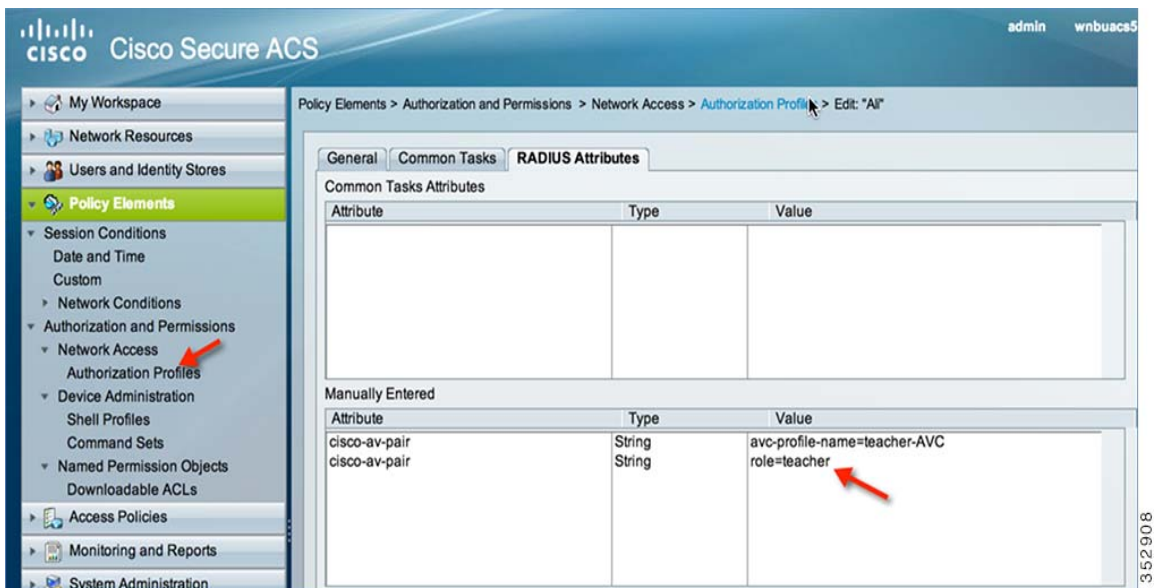


4. Check if the AAA role is configured properly, that is, role name on the AAA server should match the role string defined in the local policy. The example below is from the Cisco ISE server and Cisco ACS.

ISE:



ACS:



Once the client associates to SSID with teacher credentials through Apple iPad, it should be able to access Internet and different applications per its AVC profile configuration. If the user tries to connect from any device other than Apple iPad, then it will not be able to access the Internet.

To verify if the policy is applied from the WLC GUI, go to **Monitor > Clients**, and then click the **Client MAC address**.

Clients > Detail

Max Number of Records

General **AVC Statistics**

Encryption Cipher	CCMP (AES)
EAP Type	PEAP
SNMP NAC State	Access
Radius NAC State	RUN
CTS Security Group Tag	Not Applicable
AAA Override ACL Name	none
AAA Override ACL Applied Status	Unavailable
AAA Override Flex ACL	none
AAA Override Flex ACL Applied Status	Unavailable
Redirect URL	none
IPv4 ACL Name	none
FlexConnect ACL Applied Status	Unavailable
IPv4 ACL Applied Status	Unavailable
IPv6 ACL Name	none
IPv6 ACL Applied Status	Unavailable
Layer2 ACL Name	none
Layer2 ACL Applied Status	Unavailable
mDNS Profile Name	default-mdns-profile
mDNS Service Advertisement Count	0
AAA Role Type	teacher
Local Policy Applied	teacher-LP

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To verify if the policy is applied from WLC CLI prompt, run the following command:

show client detail mac_address and then scroll down to the end to see the applied profile.

```

AAA Role Type..... teacher ←
Local Policy Applied..... teacher-LP ←
IPv4 ACL Name..... none
FlexConnect ACL Applied Status..... Unavailable
IPv4 ACL Applied Status..... Unavailable
IPv6 ACL Name..... none
IPv6 ACL Applied Status..... Unavailable
Layer2 ACL Name..... none
Layer2 ACL Applied Status..... Unavailable
Client Type..... SimpleIP
mDNS Status..... Enabled
mDNS Profile Name..... default-mdns-profile
No. of mDNS Services Advertised..... 0
Policy Type..... WPA2
Authentication Key Management..... 802.1x
Encryption Cipher..... CCMP (AES)
Protected Management Frame ..... No
Management Frame Protection..... No
EAP Type..... PEAP
Interface..... management|
    
```

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To verify if the AVC policy is applied from the WLC:

AVC Profile Name: teacher-AVC

Try to connect SSID with student credentials, you should see another policy applied (student-AVC) and if the client device is not an Apple-iPad, the user will not be able to access the network.

Native Profiling Limitations

- Wired clients behind the WGB will not be profiled and policy action will not be done.
- Only 16 policies per WLAN can be configured, and globally 64 policies will be allowed.
- Policy action will be done after L2 authentication is complete or after L3 authentication or when the device sends http traffic and gets the device profiled. Due to which certain scenarios profiling and policy actions will happen more than once per client.
- This release will support only IPv4 clients to be profiled.
- No support for WGB wired clients for profiling because http profiling is not supported on WGB wired clients.

Summary

- By default, profiling is disabled on all WLANs
- Each WLAN can have mapped profiling policies configured.
- Each Policy can have matching Role Type, Device Type, EAP type configured and an associated policy index mapped.
- The policy index signifies which policy needs to be matched first.
- The corresponding policy name will be deduced from the policy Index.
- The policy matching will exit at the first policy match and the corresponding policy action attributes will be set per client.

- The order of applying the policies per client will be based on the security type.

AVC–Phase 4 in CUWN Release 8.2

Protocol Pack and NBAR Engine Update

Up to release 8.2, NBAR Engine (16) is integrated in WLC for centralized AVC support, which supports Protocol Pack (PP) up to version-12. In release 8.2, the new and improved NBAR Engine 23 and Protocol Pack 14 are introduced. The new versions allow customers to classify 1273 application like Netflix, Jabber, Bittorrent and YouTube and other a lot more reliably with higher precision and less impact on the controller performance. It is also important to note that Protocol Pack 14 requires NBAR engine 23 and will not work with the previous NBAR released version in the prior WLC releases. When PP version 15 is released and posted on CCO, it will operate with NBAR engine 23.

The screenshot shows the Cisco WLC GUI for AVC Applications. The navigation menu on the left includes 'Wireless', 'Access Points', 'Radios', 'Advanced', and 'Mesh'. The main content area is titled 'AVC Applications' and shows a 'Current Filter: None' with options to 'Change Filter' or 'Clear Filter'. A table displays the following details:

Protocol Pack Name:	Advanced Protocol Pack	
Protocol Pack Version:	14.0	Engine Version: 23

Below the table, a table header is visible with columns: Application Name, Application Group, Application ID, Engine ID, and Selector ID. A pagination control at the top right shows 'Entries 1 - 50 of 1273'.

Netflow Support in release 8.2

An IP traffic flow is a sequence of packets passing through a network device with common attributes like source and destination IP address & transport ports, direction, etc. Additional common attributes for wireless flow are SSID, AP MAC. These packets with common attributes are aggregated into flows and exported to the Netflow Collectors. Prior to release 8.2, controller exported Netflow data was analyzed only by PI (Prime Infrastructure) and wasn't compatible with any third party Netflow collectors.

In release 8.2 enhanced Netflow records exporter is introduced. New Netflow v9 is sending 17 different data records (as defined in RFC 3954) to the External 3rd Party Netflow collector such as Stealthwatch and others. Support for the Enhanced Flow Record Data Export was added on the WLC 5520, 8510 and 8540.

Prior to release 8.2 Netflow feature available on the controller sends only the IP address of the client, SSID and Application statistics. While this helps for compatible Netflow collectors like Cisco Prime to show the application statistics, it does not provide the full 5 tuple flow information and is also not compatible with many 3rd party Netflow collectors who expect 5 tuples.

The current netflow record prior to release 8.2 that WLC exports support only the following fields

- applicationTag
- ipDiffServCodePoint
- octetDeltaCount
- packetDeltaCount

- postIpDiffServCodePoint
- staIPv4Address
- staMacAddress
- wtpMacAddress

The newly introduced flow record exporter in the release 8.2 supports the following flow data records

- Application Tag
- Client Mac Address
- AP Mac address
- WlanID
- Source IP
- Dest IP
- Source Port
- Dest Port
- Protocol
- Flow Start Time
- Flow End Time
- Direction
- Packet count
- Byte count
- VLAN Id - Mgmt/Dyn
- TOS - DSCP Value
- Dot1x username

Netflow Deployment Considerations

- WLC supports only one monitor and exporter.
- WLC will support only one type of Netflow record globally per controller.
- Flow records are exported directly and will not be shown on the controller.
- Application visibility statistics present today will continue on the controller.
- Change to monitor parameters will required the WLAN to be disabled and enabled.
- The new record will be supported on 8510 , 5520 and 8540 controllers only.
- 2500, 5508, 7500 and WiSM2 controllers will not be supported.
- Netflow statistics are sent at an interval of 30 seconds (Not user configurable. Current value is 90 seconds).
- Netflow record will be sent even for the unclassified applications with new flow record.

- Netflow will be sent on enabling AVC on that WLAN.
- IPv6 traffic is not supported in Netflow in release 8.2.
- Netflow sending initial template will be sent from Control plane.
- Netflow export on service port is not supported.

Obtaining Stealthwatch Software for Evaluation Purposes

The software is available for web download on the URL as indicated below: <https://www.Stealthwatch.com/stealthwatch-evaluation-application>

1. Sign up for Stealth Watch Evaluation and download the software

Netflow Configuration on the WLC

Prior to release 8.2 Netflow configuration on WLC was done by associating the fixed record `ipv4_client_app_flow_record` to the Netflow monitor. Now along with this we will support a new fixed record called `ipv4_client_src_dst_flow_record` the same will be allowed in cli and GUI at the places shown below.

Note: Since only one netflow exporter is present per controller, it has to be between the old and new record formats.

Configuration from CLI

Configuration Change

```
(Cisco Controller) > config flow add monitor <My_Netflow_Monitor record>
```

Configuration steps from CLI

```
config flow create monitor <My_Netflow_Monitor>
config flow create exporter My_Netflow_Exporter A.B.C.D port 2055
config flow add monitor My_Netflow_Monitor exporter My_Netflow_Exporter
config flow add monitor My_Netflow_Monitor record ipv4_client_src_dst_flow_record config wlan flow 1
monitor My_Netflow_Monitor enable
```

Debug commands

```
debug fastpath cfgtool --flowdb.dump debug fastpath dump wlan db
```



```
debug flow info enable
```

Configuration using WebUI

Screen shots below illustrate examples of the Stealthwatch Netflow Collector VM on the USC box with IP Address 10.10.105.22 and it is listening on UDP port 2055.

1. From WLC main menu configure a Netflow Exporter by going to **Wireless> Netflow> Exporter**. Click **New**.



2. Configure an **Exporter Name**, **Exporter IP** and Port Number, then click **Apply**.



3. Now, we will create a Flow monitor for the Netflow Exporter which we created above. Under **Netflow**, go to **Monitor**. Click **New**.



4. Create a monitor with the name "Stealthwatch " and click **Apply** as shown below.

Netflow Monitor > New

Monitor Name:

< Back Apply

5. Click on the created Monitor name.

Monitor List page

Monitor Name	Record Name	Exporter Name	ExporterIp
lancope	none	None	0.0.0.0

6. Select 'Netflow Collector' from the Exporter Name drop down menu and choose 'ipv4_client_src_dst_flow_record' from the Record Name list. Click **Apply**.

Netflow Monitor > Edit 'lancope'

Exporter name:

Record Name:

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User should see the following under **Wireless> Netflow> Monitor**

Monitor List page New...

Monitor Name	Record Name	Exporter Name	ExporterIp	Port
lancope	ipv4_client_src_dst_flow_record	Netflow Collector	10.10.105.22	2055

7. Browse to the **WLAN** on which we need to enable AVC and Netflow Monitor. From the WLAN edit parameters, go to **QoS** tab and check **Application Visibility** box. Then select the **Netflow Monitor** and click **Apply**.

MONITOR **WLANs** CONTROLLER WIRELESS SECURITY MANAGEMENT COMMANDS HELP FEEDBACK

WLANs > Edit 'POD1-dot1x'

General Security **QoS** Policy-Mapping Advanced

Quality of Service (QoS): Silver (best effort)

Application Visibility: Enabled

AVC Profile: pod1-avc

Flex AVC Profile: none

Netflow Monitor: lancope

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Netflow Reporting

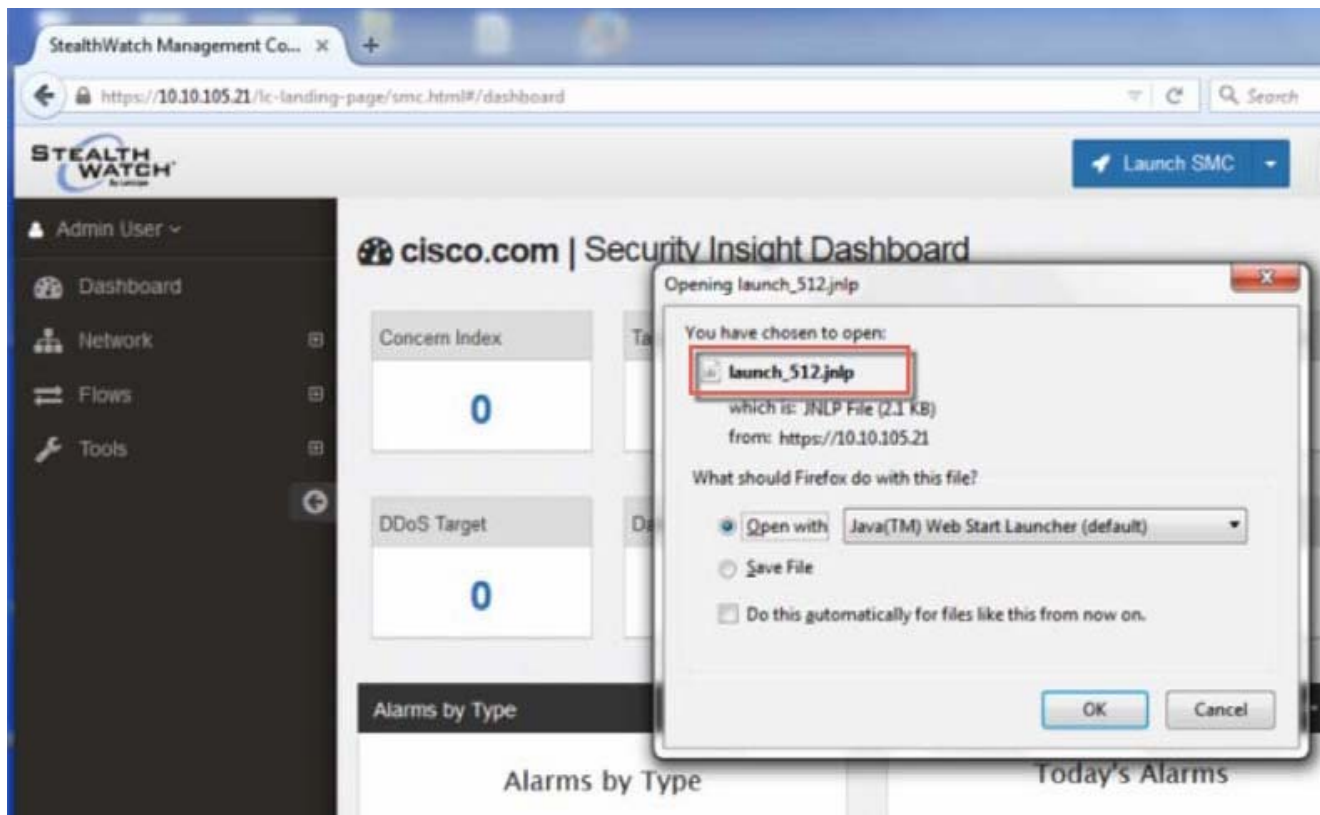
Stealthwatch Netflow reporting setup comprises of a flow collector and a central management console.

Stealthwatch FlowCollector collects data from various sources (in this case Wireless Lan Controller), analyzes them, creates a profile for normal activity and generates an alarm (to the SMC) for any activity that falls outside of the normal profile.

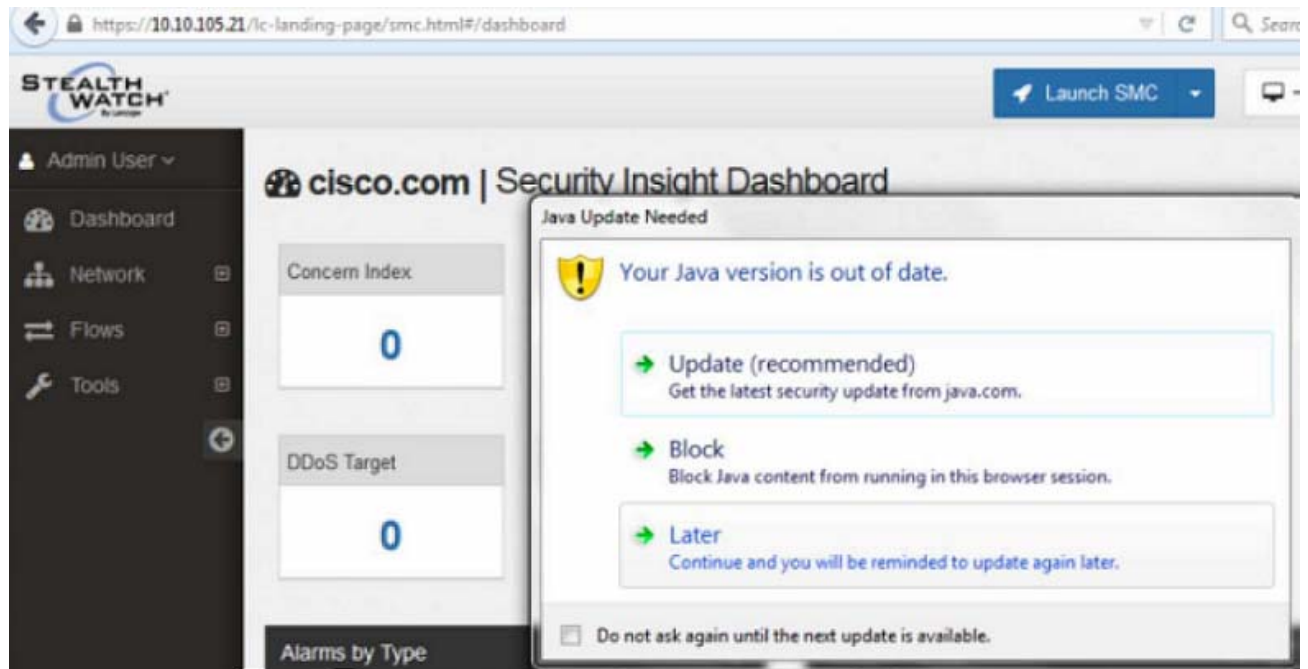
SMC manages, coordinates, and configures different components of the system through a web browser. It offers centralized management and reporting for up to 25 flow collectors with graphical charts for visualizing traffic.

Examples below illustrate FlowCollector residing at 10.10.105.22 (configured on the WLC above) and SMC at 10.10.105.21.

1. Log into SMC with username and password.
2. Click on "Launch SMC" from the dashboard. It will prompt you to download the Application "**launch_512**". Save it locally and Launch it as shown above.



3. Follow the steps as shown below when pop up window appears.

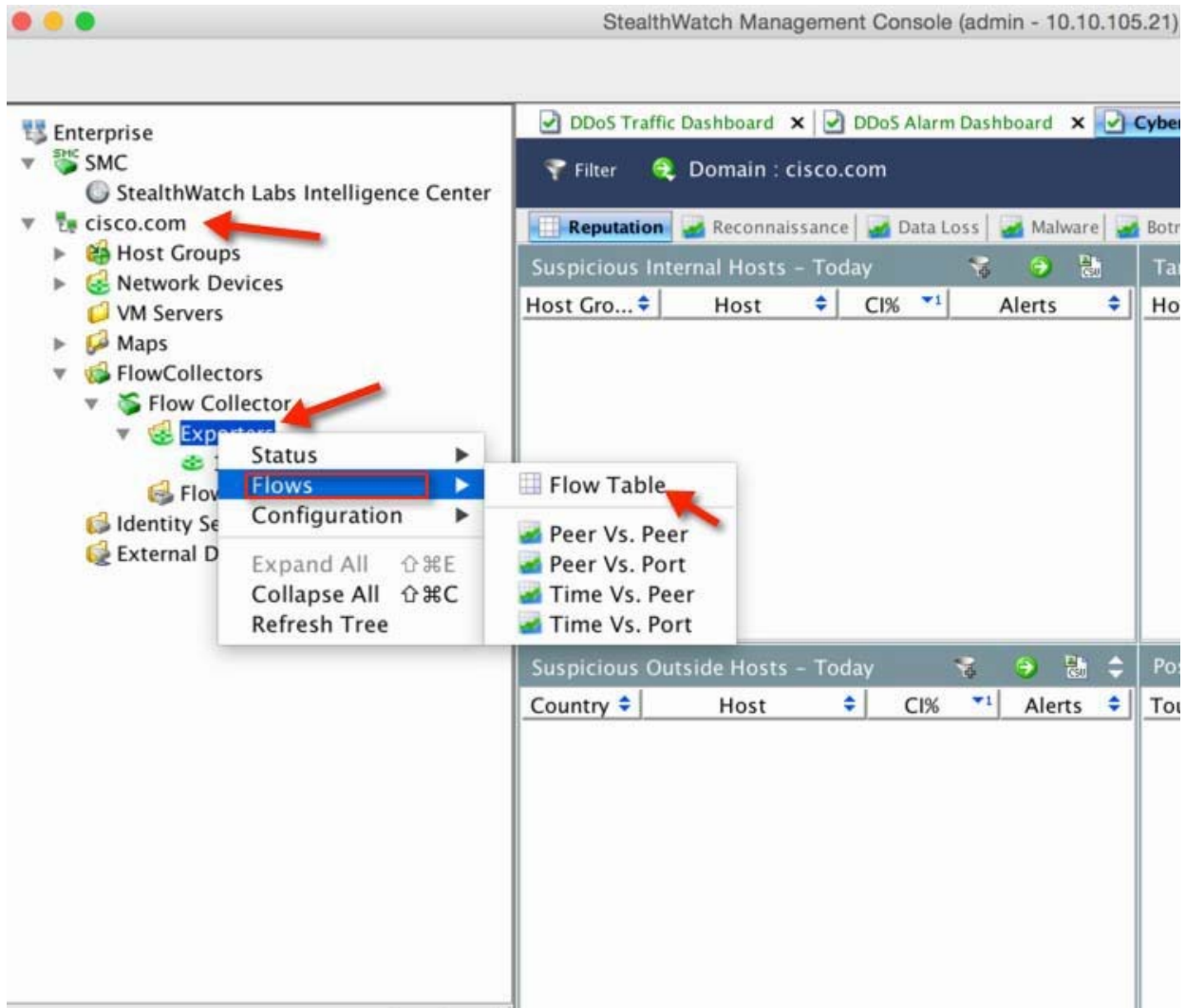


4. Continue Loading the Stealth Watch Monitor.



5. Finally Login to Stealthwatch Collector Monitor with credentials as per your setup.

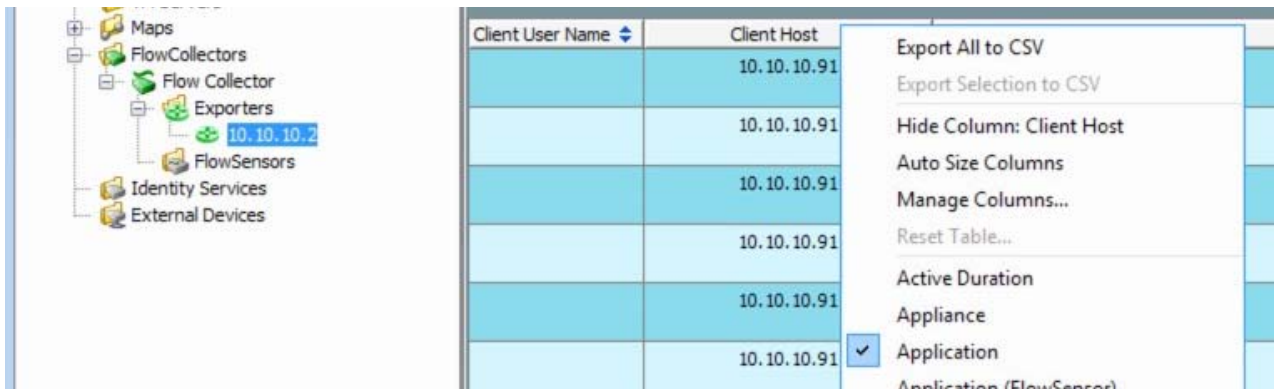
6. From the dashboard, right click **Exporters-> <Controller IP> -> Flows-> Flow Table** to view client flows.



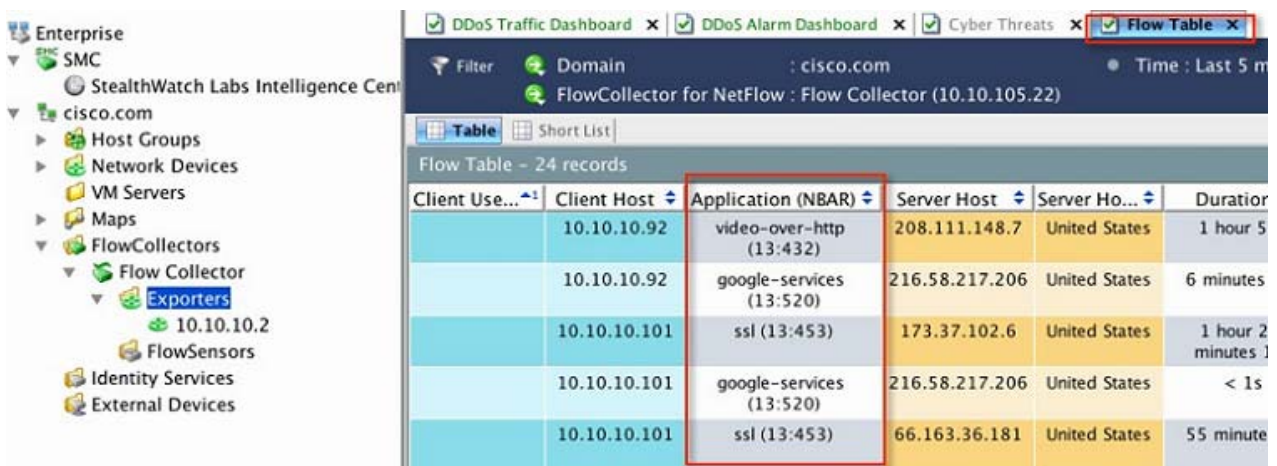
7. You will see multiple client flows here. You can filter the flows on various attributes by right clicking against a column name and selecting parameter/s as shown below. In the example illustrated below, WLC with IP address 10.10.10.2 is selected with Application (NBAR) attribute.

Note: In order to see the flows please make sure the clients are connected to the AVC and Netflow enabled SSID.

AVC-Phase 5 in CUWN Release 8.3



If user is connected with dot1x credentials, they will also be visible on the Stealthwatch flow table dashboard



Note: If you are planning to upgrade the Protocol Pack file on the controller the latest Protocol Pack can be found at the link below

<https://software.cisco.com/download/home/282600534/type/284509011/release/24.0.0>

AVC-Phase 5 in CUWN Release 8.3

AVC in FlexConnect Mode ver 8.3

In release 8.3 ,the Protocol Pack and the NBAR engine got upgraded for Flex Connect Applications and now supports Protocol Pack 14 and NBAR engine 23 with a total support of the 1327 applications.

The screenshot shows the Cisco FlexConnect AVC Applications configuration page. The left sidebar has 'Application Visibility And Control' selected. The main content area shows the following configuration:

- Current Filter: None
- Protocol Pack Name: Advanced Protocol Pack
- Protocol Pack Version: 14.0(0)
- Engine Version: 23

Below the configuration is a table of applications:

Application Name	Application Group	Application ID	Engine ID	Select ID
3com-amp3	other	538	3	629
3com-tsmux	other	977	3	106
3pc	other	788	1	34
4chan	browsing	1693	13	763
58-city	browsing	1634	13	704
914c/g	net-admin	1109	3	211
9pfs	other	479	3	564
CAIlic	other	1113	3	216
Konspire2b	consumer-file-sharing	1190	3	6085
MobilitySrv	other	1386	3	6997
abc-news	browsing	1651	13	721
acap	net-admin	582	3	674
acas	other	939	3	62
accessbuilder	other	662	3	888
accessnetwork	other	607	3	699

For more information, see

http://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/td/docs/wireless/controller/technotes/8-1/Flex-7500/Flex_7500_DG.html#pgfid-131717.

Protocol Pack and NBAR Engine Update in rel 8.3

Up to release 8.3 NBAR Engine 23 is integrated in WLC for centralized AVC support, which supports Protocol Pack (PP) version-16. In release 8.3, the new and improved NBAR Engine 23 and Protocol Pack 19.1 are introduced. The new versions allow customers to classify up to 1317 application like Skype, Jabber and other a with lot more reliability and higher precision and less impact on the controller performance. It is also important to note that Protocol Pack 19.1 requires NBAR engine 23 and will not work with the previous NBAR released version in the prior WLC releases. When PP version 19.1 is released and posted on CCO, it will operate with NBAR engine 23 or higher.

The screenshot shows the Cisco WLC GUI for AVC Applications. The left sidebar contains navigation options like 'Access Points', 'Advanced', 'Mesh', 'ATF', 'RF Profiles', 'FlexConnect Groups', 'OEAP ACLs', 'Network Lists', '802.11a/n/ac', '802.11b/g/n', 'Media Stream', and 'Application Visibility And Control'. The main area displays 'AVC Applications' with a 'Current Filter: None' and a table of applications. The 'Protocol Pack Name' is 'Advanced Protocol Pack', 'Protocol Pack Version' is '19.1', and 'Engine Version' is '23'. The table below lists applications with their IDs and engine/selector IDs.

Application Name	Application Group	Application ID	Engine ID	Selector ID
sip	voice-and-video	65	3	5060
sip-tls	voice-and-video	1428	3	5061
sitaradir	other	710	3	2631
sitaradmin	other	709	3	2630
sitaraserver	other	708	3	2629
sixtofour-ipv6-tunneled	net-admin	1223	13	330
skinny	voice-and-video	63	13	63
skip	layer3-over-ip	811	1	57
skronk	other	374	3	460
skv-news	other	1714	13	786
skydrive	file-sharing	1499	13	562
skvps	voice-and-video	83	13	83
slate-magazine	other	1650	13	720
slickdeals	other	1603	13	673
slinq	voice-and-video	892	13	440

AVC-Phase 6 in CUWN Release 8.8

Prior to rel 8.8, WLC supported NBAR engine version 23 (3.16.3) and default protocol pack version 19.1. There a significant customer demand to support additional applications on the WLC especially the new Wi-Fi calling, Zoom etc. These new applications are supported in the protocol pack version 37. But the protocol pack 35 is not supported on NBAR engine 23 (3.16.3) thus, to support new PP 37 application for classification NBAR engine and protocol pack needs to be upgraded to latest version. In release 8.8 NBAR engine 31 and PP 37 are supported with Wave-2 APs.

COS based Wave-2 AP will also be upgraded to support NBAR 31 and PP37 in FC mode.

IOS APs will not upgrade to the latest NBAR engine and protocol pack. So new applications will be shown as "UNKNOWN" for the FC deployed Wave-1 APs.

With release 8.8 only 3504, 5520, 8540 and vWLC support the latest PP37 and NBAR2 31 with Wave-2 APs 1800, 2800, 3800 and 4800 series.

Configurations Steps for AVC Enhancement

There is really no configuration steps required to load the latest NBAR engine or the protocol pack.



Zoom Calling is now showing in the PP 37.

Application	Category	Count	...
zillow	other	1583	13 654
zipqyshare	other	1652	13 722
zoho-services	other	1183	13 1183
zoom-meetings	voice-and-video	1130	13 1130
zserv	other	763	3 346
zulily	other	1681	13 751

Wi-Fi Calling is also part of the PP37.

Application	Category	Count
websense	internet-privacy	1369
webster	other	637
webthunder	file-sharing	1055
wechat	other	1037
weibo	other	256
wells-fargo	other	1579
wettransfer	other	1642
whatsapp	instant-messaging	1488
whitepages	other	1735
whoami	net-admin	480

Managing 8.8 AVC Features through CLI

CLI Output:

```
(Cisco Controller) >show avc protocol-pack version
AVC Protocol Pack Name: Advanced Protocol Pack
AVC Protocol Pack Version: 37
(Cisco Controller) >show avc engine version
AVC Engine Version: 31
(Cisco Controller) >
```

Default DSCP Value for AVC Profile Feature Overview

Prior to rel 8.8 with AVC enabled, we can no override all applications DSCP values only for Application flows configured on the AVC profile. Furthermore, the AVC profile can contain maximum 32 Applications rules.

For a flow where a rule is not configured in the AVC Profile, NO action is performed & DSCP is left intact. As it is, the AVC can't be used as PEP (Policy Enforcement Point).

For Managed Service, to control and rewrite DSCP values (example with DSCP 0) for all flows that are not presented on the AVC profile is not possible.

The new AVC enhancement allows a “default-class” rule to override the DSCP values for all application flows where AVC Rule is not configured. It is more like last rule with Any/Any conditions. The goal is to protect the network from all flows with unwanted/controlled DSCP values.

AVC at present supports Marking, Rate Limiting or Drop for any application it recognizes. AVC supports 32 Rules. For any applications which are not configured as part of these rules, no action will be taken.

For local mode, these rules are plumbed down to Data Plane. At the Data Plane, for those applications action will be taken including DSCP marking.

As part of the new feature in rel 8.8, “default rule” can be configured as part of the 32 Rules supported.

For any application which doesn’t match the existing rules, this “default rule” will be applied.

For Flex Connect AVC, we send App Name in the TLV Type TLV_FLEX_AVC_CLASS_MAP_APP_NAME_PAYLOAD along with APP ID in the TLV Type TLV_FLEX_AVC_CLASS_MAP_APP_ID_PAYLOAD.

In rel 8.8 enhancement will be made to support “default-class” Application Name and APP ID while sending to AP. AP also has to handle these values and correspondingly update the class map.

AVC Default DSCP Value Limitations in rel 8.8

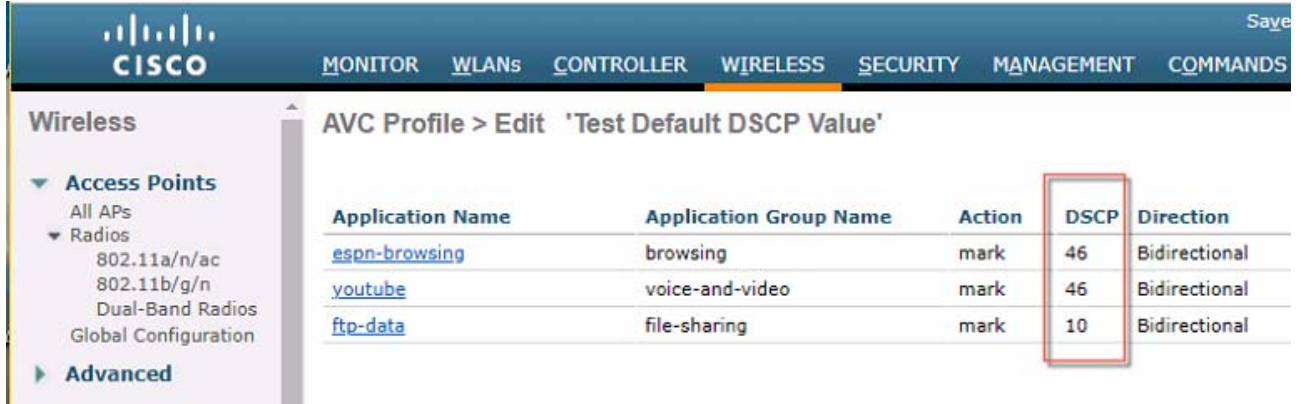
- Supported only Marking, Rate Limit or Drop is not supported.
- Default DSCP will work only when AVC is enabled.
- 32 Rules per profile supported, including “Default-class” Rule. If default Rule is configured than the user can configure only 31 Rules.
- “default-class” application name configured will not be shown in stats pages/CLI output.
- It will not be supported to Multicast and Broadcast flows.
- At present AVC doesn’t support IPv6
- AVC doesn’t allow cascading for Rules, means for same flow we can’t have Rate Limiting and Marking. Hence if for a flow where Rate Limiting is done, for that flow “default” Marking will not happen.

Note: “default-class” setting will overwrite all DSCP values for all not configured application when the profile is applied to the WLAN.

Configurations Steps for Default DSCP setting

Follow steps for creating, configuring AVC profiles and applying them to the WLAN as described in the previous sections of this deployment guide and then after creating AVC profiles please follow the steps below.

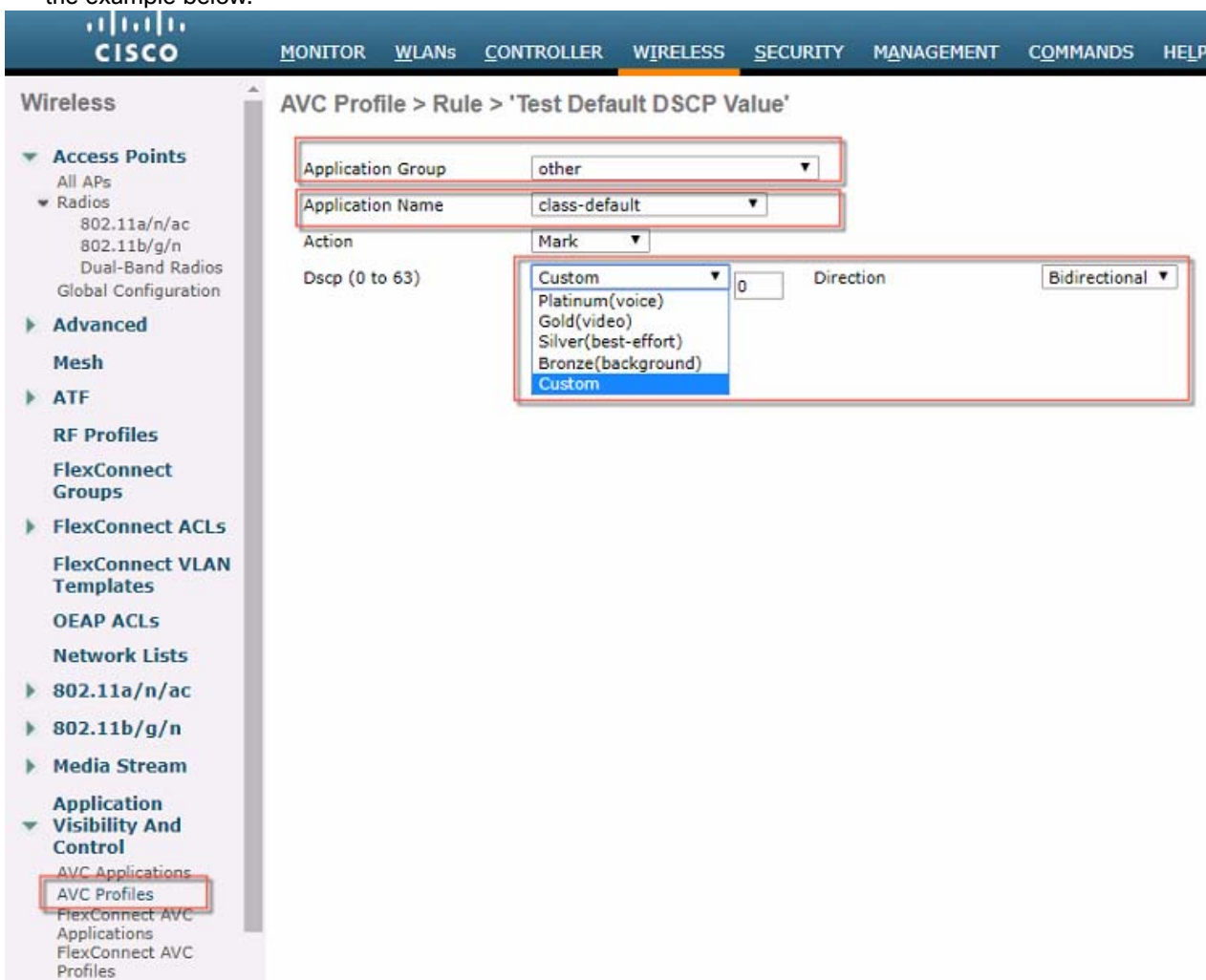
1. After creating an AVC profile you should have something as in the example below:



The screenshot shows the Cisco AVC Profile configuration interface. The page title is "AVC Profile > Edit 'Test Default DSCP Value'". A table lists the configured applications with their DSCP values. The DSCP value for the 'ftp-data' application is highlighted with a red box.

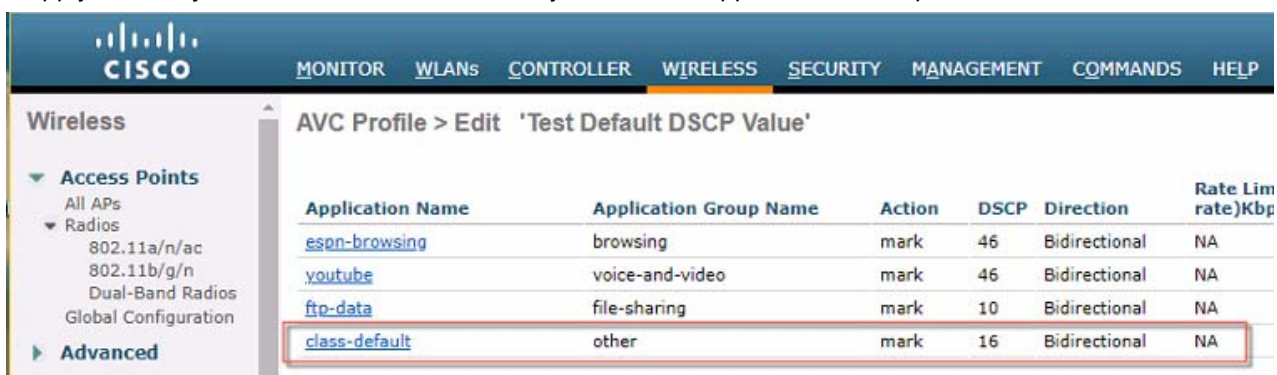
Application Name	Application Group Name	Action	DSCP	Direction
espn-browsing	browsing	mark	46	Bidirectional
youtube	voice-and-video	mark	46	Bidirectional
ftp-data	file-sharing	mark	10	Bidirectional

- To add a default-class application, create a new rule from application group "other" and application name "class-default" and at the same time select a DSCP action desired or configure a custom DSCP value as shown in the example below.



Note: Same applies to the AVC profiles created for the Flex Connect mode.

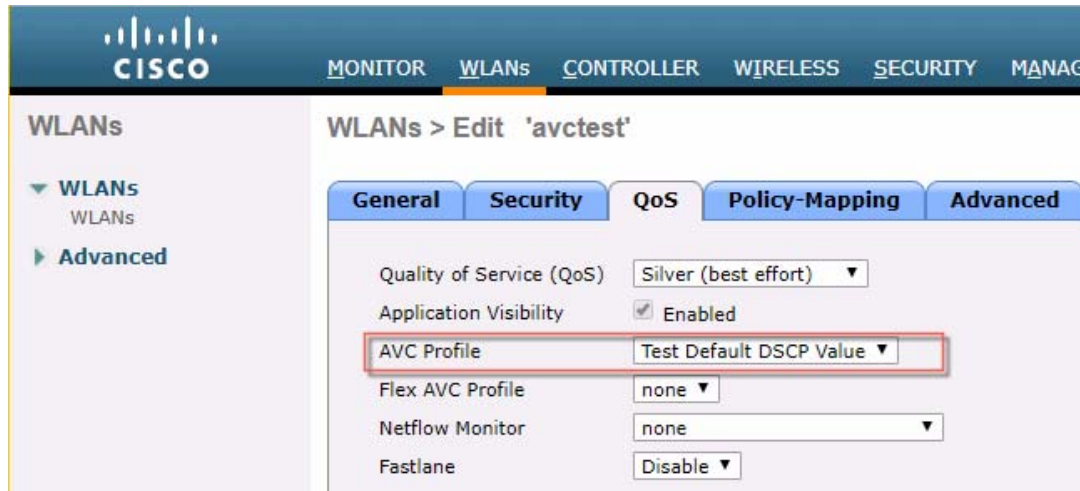
- Apply the newly created rule to the Profile and you will see it appear now in the profile.



The existing application list will be appended with "class-default" application.

GUI will automatically show it.

4. Apply the newly created profile to the WLAN, as shown in the example below the profile created applied to the WLAN “avctest”



Default DSCP CLI Configuration command:

Create an AVC profile with application name “class-default”

```
# config avc profile <profile_name> rule add application <application name> mark <dscp>
```

Show command Changes:

```
# show avc profile detailed <profile_name>
```

Application-Name	Application-Group-Name	Action	DSCP	DIR	AVG-RATELIMIT	BURST-RATELIMIT
default	-	Mark	46			

Example Config Command:

```
(Cisco Controller) >config avc profile temp rule add application class-default mark 16
```

```
(Cisco Controller) >show avc profile detailed temp
```

Application-Name	Application-Group-Name	Action	DSCP	DIR	AVG-RATELIMIT	-RATELIMIT
telnet	net-admin	Mark	7	Bidirectional		
ping	net-admin	Mark	6	Bidirectional		
class-default	other	Mark	16	Bidirectional		

Associated WLAN IDs :
Associated Remote LAN IDs :
Associated Guest LAN IDs :
(Cisco Controller) >

Application Visibility and Control for FlexConnect rel 8.1-8.8

AVC provides application-aware control on a wireless network and enhances manageability and productivity. AVC is already supported on ASR and ISR G2 and WLC platforms. The support of AVC embedded within the FlexConnect AP extends as this is an end-to-end solution. This gives a complete visibility of applications in the network and allows the administrator to take some action on the application.

AVC has the following components:

- Next-generation Deep Packet Inspection (DPI) technology, called as Network Based Application Recognition (NBAR2), allows for identification and classification of applications. NBAR is a deep-packet inspection technology available on Cisco IOS based platforms, which supports stateful L4 - L7 classification. NBAR2 is based on NBAR and has extra requirements such as having a common flow table for all IOS features that use NBAR. NBAR2 recognizes application and passes this information to other features such as Quality of Service (QoS), and Access Control List (ACL), which can take action based on this classification.
- Ability to Apply Mark using QoS, Drop and Rate-limit applications.

The key use cases for NBAR AVC are capacity planning, network usage base lining, and better understanding of the applications that are consuming bandwidth. Trending of application usage helps the network administrator to plan for network infrastructure upgrade, improve quality of experience by protecting key applications from bandwidth-hungry applications when there is congestion on the network, capability to prioritize or de-prioritize, and drop certain application traffic.

AVC is supported on the 5520, 8540, 2500, 5508, 7500, 8500, and WiSM2 controllers on Local and FlexConnect modes (for WLANs configured for central switching only) since release 7.4. Release 8.1 introduces support for Application Visibility and Control for locally switched WLANs on FlexConnect APs on 5508, 7500, 75100, WiSM2, and vWLC.

- In release 8.3 the Protocol Pack and the NBAR engine got upgraded for Flex Connect Applications and now supports Protocol Pack 14 and NBAR engine 23 with a total support of the 1327 applications.
- In release 8.8 the Protocol Pack and the NBAR engine got upgraded for Flex Connect Applications and now supports Protocol Pack 37 and NBAR engine 31 with a total support of the 1408 applications.

Begin with release 8.6 AVC is supported on 3504, 5520 and 8540 series controllers and vWLC also supports AVC for FC mode only.

Note: For AVC Phase -6 release 8.8 The latest NBAR2 and Protocol Packs are supported on the 3504, 5520 and 8540 series controllers and vWLC supports AVC for Flex Connect APs only. The PP in rel 8.8 only supports Wave-2 COS based APs.

AVC Facts and Limitations

AVC on the FlexConnect AP can classify and take action on 1000+ different applications.

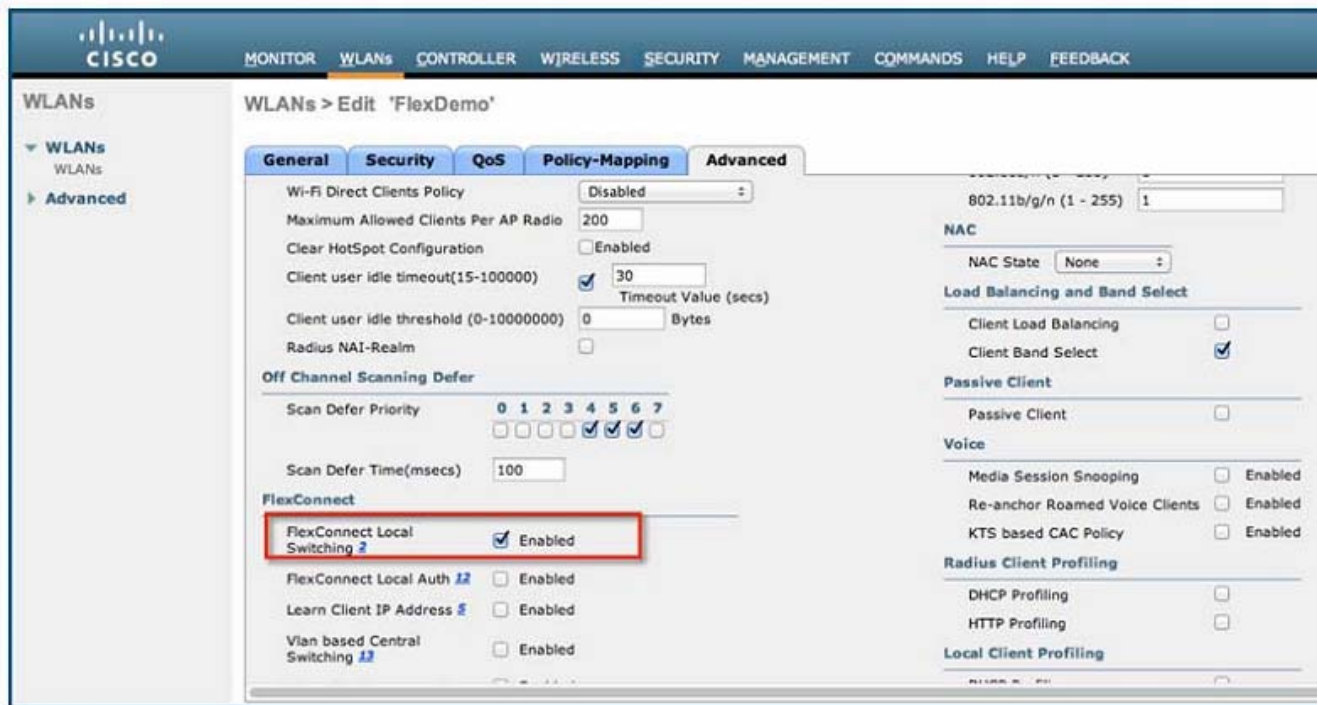
- The protocol pack running on the FlexConnect APs is different from the one running on the WLC.
- AVC stats on the GUI are displayed for the top 10 applications by default. This can be changed to top 20 or 30 applications as well.
- Intra FlexConnect Group roaming support.
- IPv6 traffic cannot be classified.
- AAA override of AVC profiles is not supported.
- Multicast traffic is not supported by AVC application.
- Netflow export for FlexConnect AVC is not supported

Configuring Application Visibility

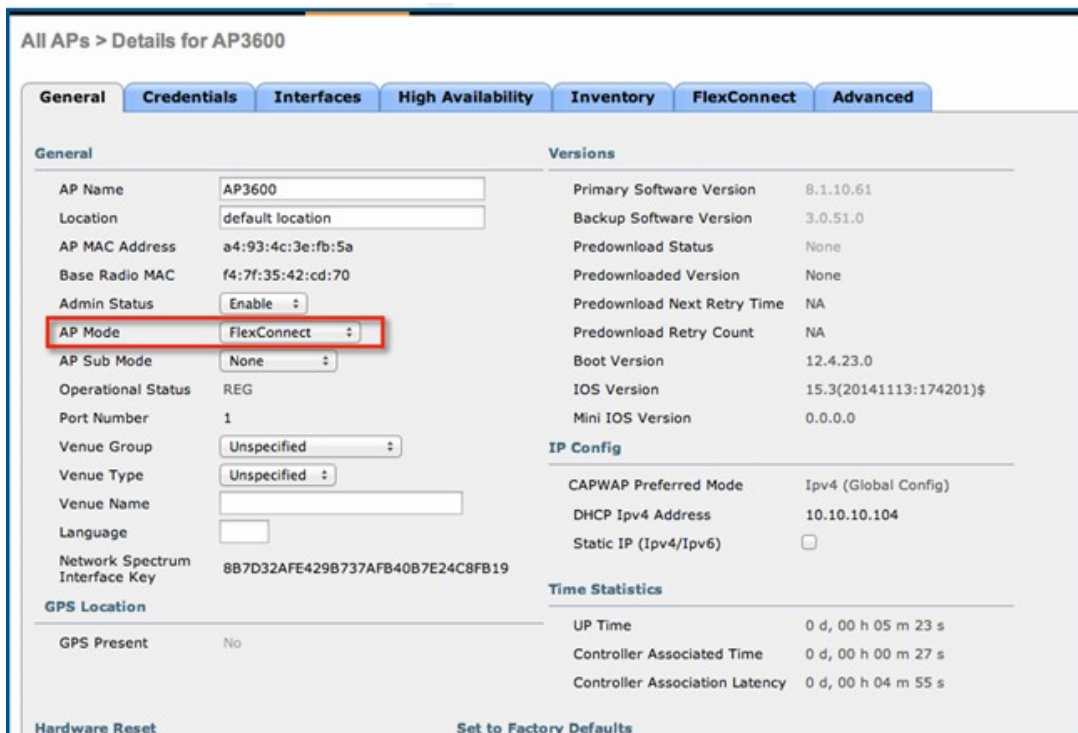
To configure the application visibility, perform these steps:

1. Open a web browser on the wired laptop, and then enter your WLC IP Address.
2. Create an OPEN WLAN with naming convention, for example, "FlexDemo".

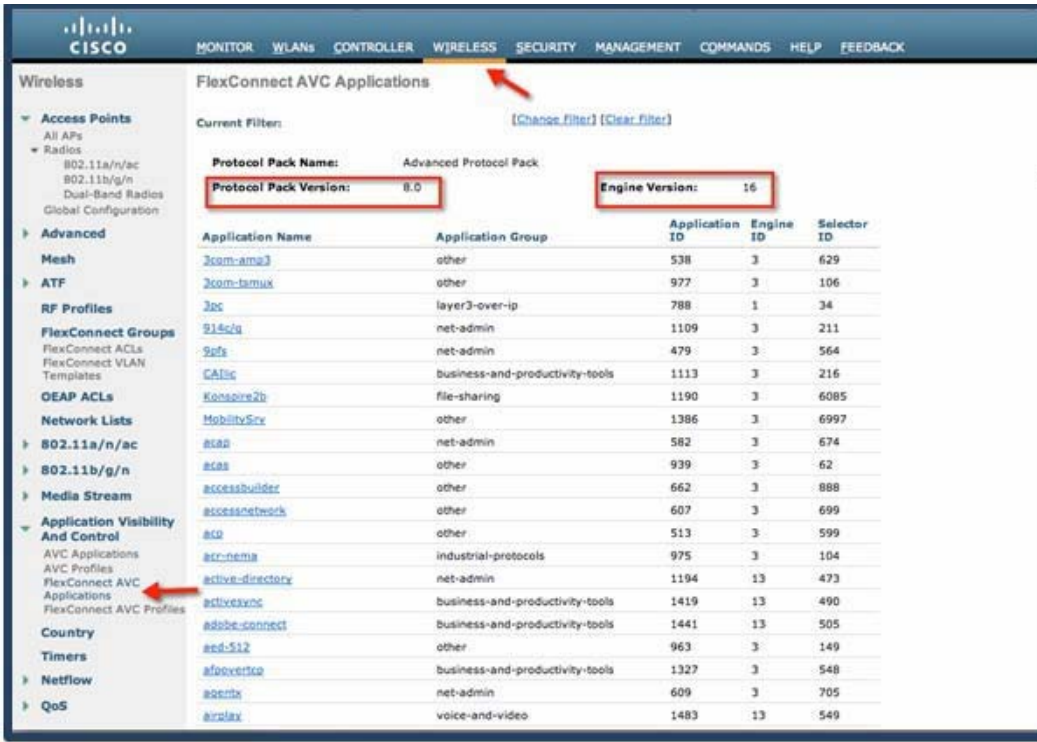
3. Enable FlexConnect Local Switching on the WLAN and then click Apply.



4. Make sure that the APs connected to this WLAN are among the list of supported access points for this feature.
5. Convert the AP to FlexConnect mode by selecting FlexConnect in the AP Mode drop-down menu, and then click **Apply**. The mode changes to FlexConnect without a reboot.

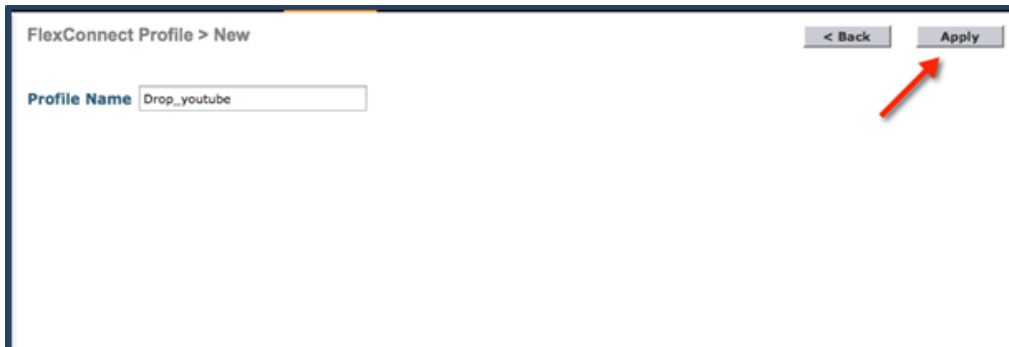


6. Create a FlexConnect Group and add the AP to the FlexConnect Group. In the following example, “FlexGroup” is the FlexConnect Group and the access point AP3600 is added to it.
7. Applications that can be identified, classified, and controlled are listed under **Wireless > Application Visibility and Control > FlexConnect AVC Applications**. The access points support Protocol Pack version 8.0 and NBAR engine version 16.



8. Create an AVC profile under **Wireless > Application Visibility and Control > FlexConnect AVC Profiles > New** with name “Drop_youtube”. And then Click **Apply**.



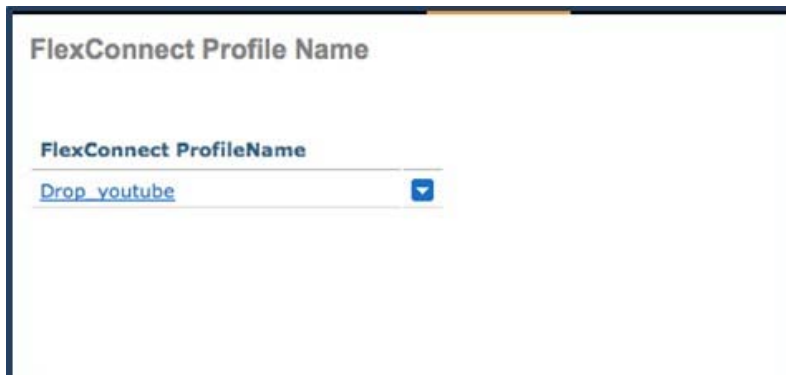


FlexConnect Profile > New

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Profile Name Drop_youtube

The AVC profile is created with the new name “Drop_youtube”.

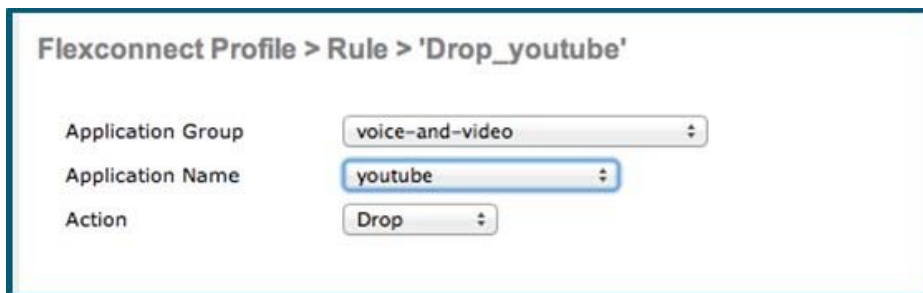


FlexConnect Profile Name

FlexConnect ProfileName

Drop_youtube

9. Click the Profile name and then click **Add New Rule**. Select the **Application Group**, **Application Name**, and **Action**, and then click **Apply**.



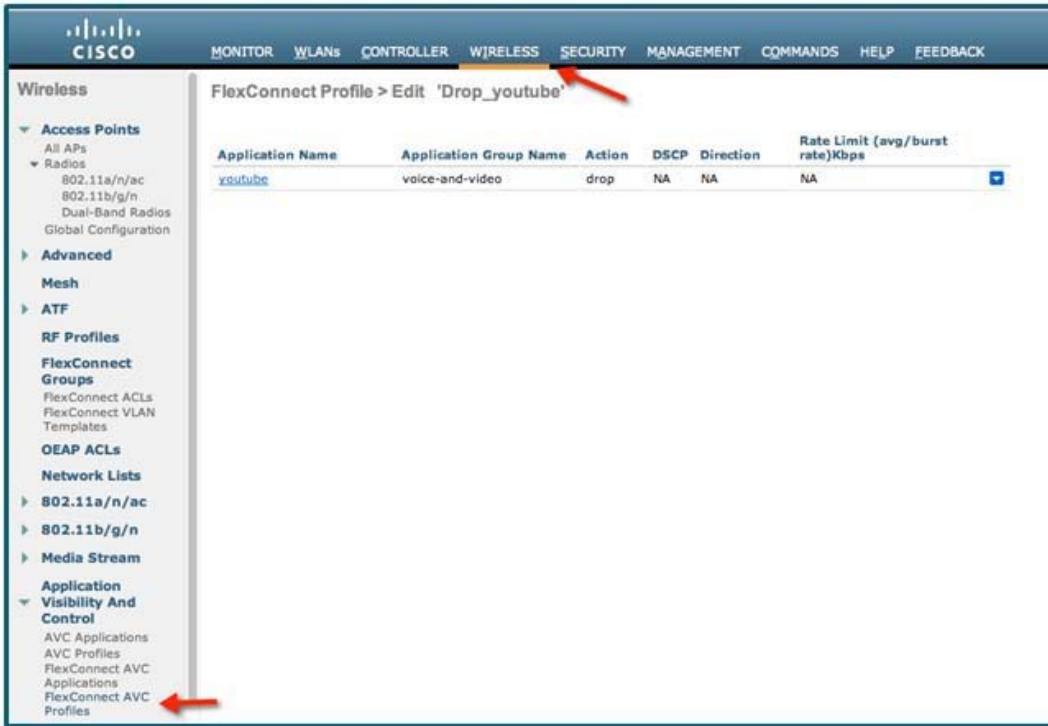
Flexconnect Profile > Rule > 'Drop_youtube'

Application Group voice-and-video

Application Name youtube

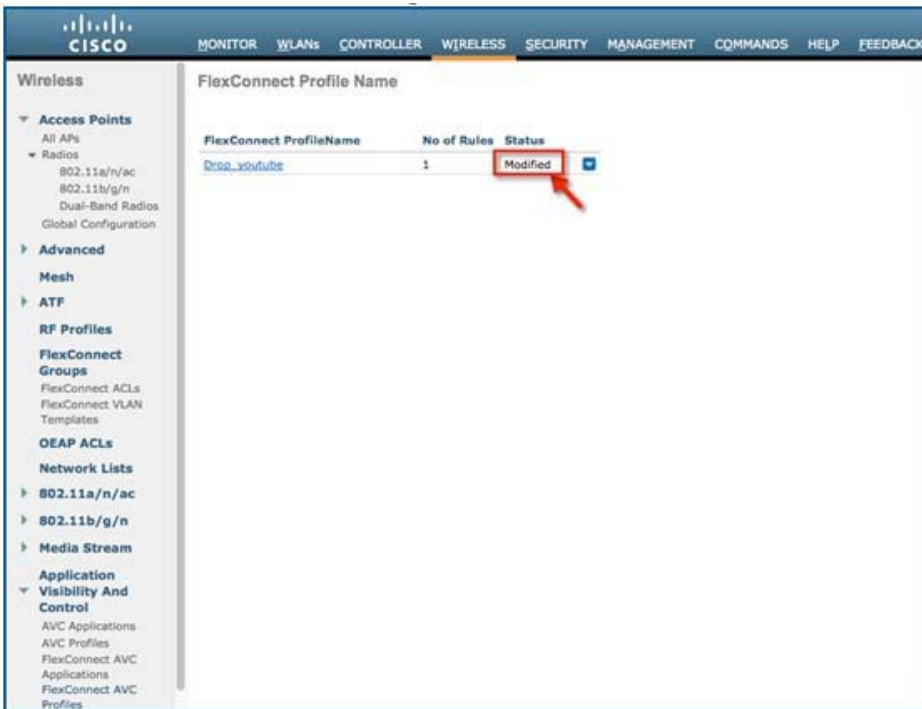
Action Drop

10. Verify that the rule is added as shown in the following figure.



The status of the FlexConnect AVC profile at this point is **Modified**.

11. Select the profile and click **Apply** for the profile to be applied and to take effect.



12. Select the profile and click **Apply** for the profile to be applied and to take effect.



The status of the FlexConnect AVC profile is changed to **Applied**.



13. Enable Application Visibility on the FlexConnect group under **Wireless > FlexConnect Group > FlexConnect Group name > WLAN AVC Mapping** by selecting the WLAN ID and choosing Enable from the drop-down menu.
14. Apply the FlexConnect AVC profile by selecting the profile created in the previous set from the Flex AVC Profile drop-down menu. Click **Add** and then click **Apply**.

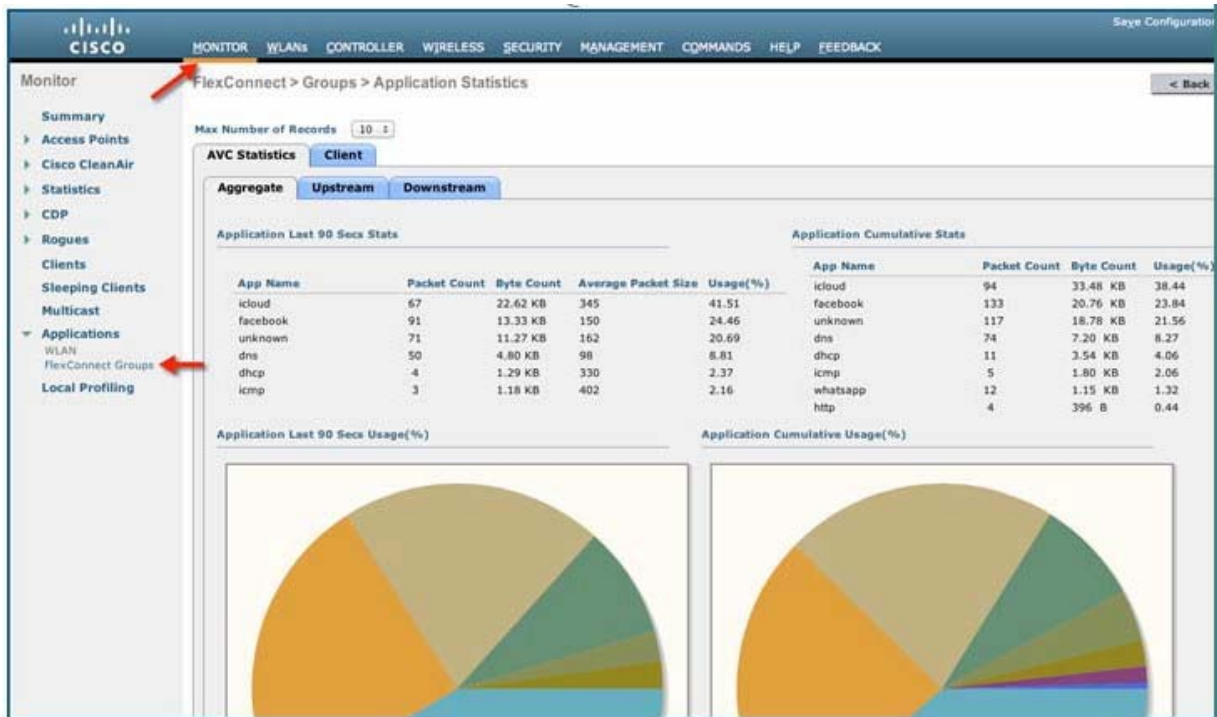


15. Once AVC is enabled on the FlexConnect Group, from the associated wireless client, start different types of traffic using the applications (already installed) such as Cisco Jabber/WebEx Connect, Skype, Yahoo Messenger, HTTP, HTTPS/SSL, Microsoft Messenger, Ping, Trace route, and so on.

Once traffic is initiated from the wireless client, visibility of different traffic can be observed on a per FlexConnect Group and per client basis. This provides the administrator a good overview of the network bandwidth utilization and type of traffic in the network per client and per branch site

- To check the visibility globally for all WLANs on a FlexConnect Group, click **Monitor > Applications > FlexConnect > FlexConnect Groups** and then select the FlexConnect group created earlier.

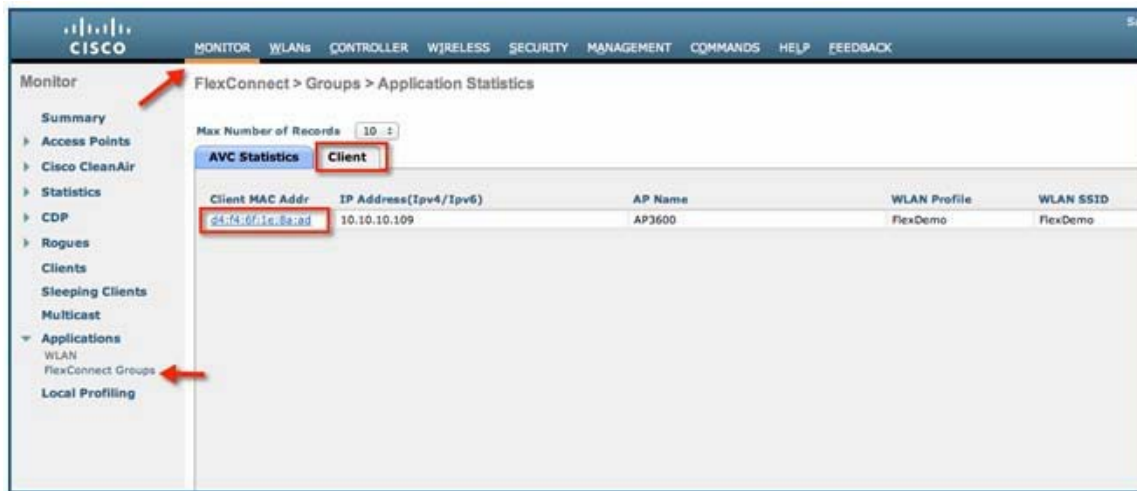
The following screen is visible which lists aggregate data for the top 10 applications running on that particular FlexConnect group.



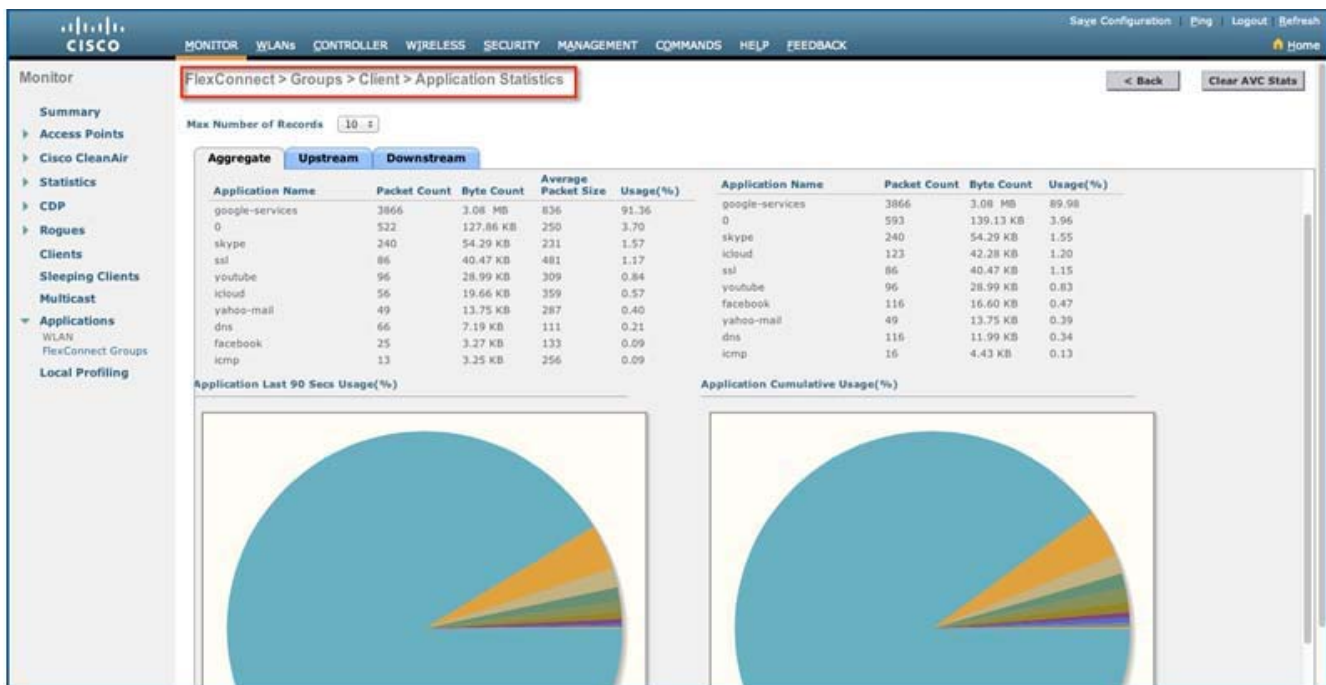
This page provides more granular visibility per FlexConnect Group and lists the top 10 applications in the last 90 seconds, as well as cumulative stats for the top 10 applications. You can view upstream and downstream statistics individually per FlexConnect Group from the same page by clicking the Upstream and Downstream tabs.

Note: The number of applications that are displayed on this page can be increased to 20 or 30 by modifying the Max Number of Records field on this page. The default value is 10.

17. To have more granular visibility of the top 10 applications per client on a particular locally switched WLAN where AVC visibility is enabled, click **Monitor > Applications > FlexConnect Group > FlexConnect Group name > Clients**. Then, click any individual client MAC entry listed on that page.



After clicking on an individual client MAC entry, the client details page appears.



This page provides further granular stats per client associated on locally switched WLANs, where AVC visibility is enabled on the WLAN itself or on the FlexConnect Group as in this example. The page lists the top 10 applications in last the 90 seconds as well as cumulative stats for top 10 applications.

18. You can view upstream and downstream stats individually per client from the same page by clicking the **Upstream** and **Downstream** tabs

.Note: The number of applications that are displayed on this page can be increased to 20 or 30 by modifying the **Max Number of Records Field** on this page. The default value is 10.

19. You can clear the AVC stats for the particular client by clicking the Clear AVC Stats button.

Now, if you open YouTube, from wireless clients, you will observe that client cannot play any YouTube videos. Also, if applicable, open your Facebook account and try to open any YouTube video. You will observe YouTube videos cannot be played. Because YouTube is blocked in the FlexConnect AVC profile, and AVC profile is mapped to WLAN on the FlexConnect Group. You cannot access YouTube videos via browser, or even via YouTube application or from any other website.

.Note: If your browser was already open with YouTube, refresh the browser for the AVC profile to take effect.

Appendix

VOD Reference

Cisco AVC - Per User Application Control: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ESg53o3ufDQ&feature=youtu.be>

Web Links and Terminology

Cisco WLAN Controller Information:

<http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/hw/wireless/products.html>

<http://www.cisco.com/cisco/web/support/index.html>

Cisco Prime Management Software Information:

<http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/ps11686/index.html>

Cisco MSE Information:

<http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/ps9742/index.html>

Cisco LAP Documentation:

<http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/ps10981/index.html>

