60 GHz range improvements and multipoint capabilities

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Wireless band comparison

2.4 GHz 802.11b/g/n	5 GHz 802.11a/n/ac	60 GHz 802.11ad
 Crowded spectrum Low channel count 	 DFS and radar detection Rapidly increasing channel widths 	 Oxygen absorption Low distance
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 Higher distances Better penetration through objects 	 High throughput More available channels 	 The highest throughput Free spectrum

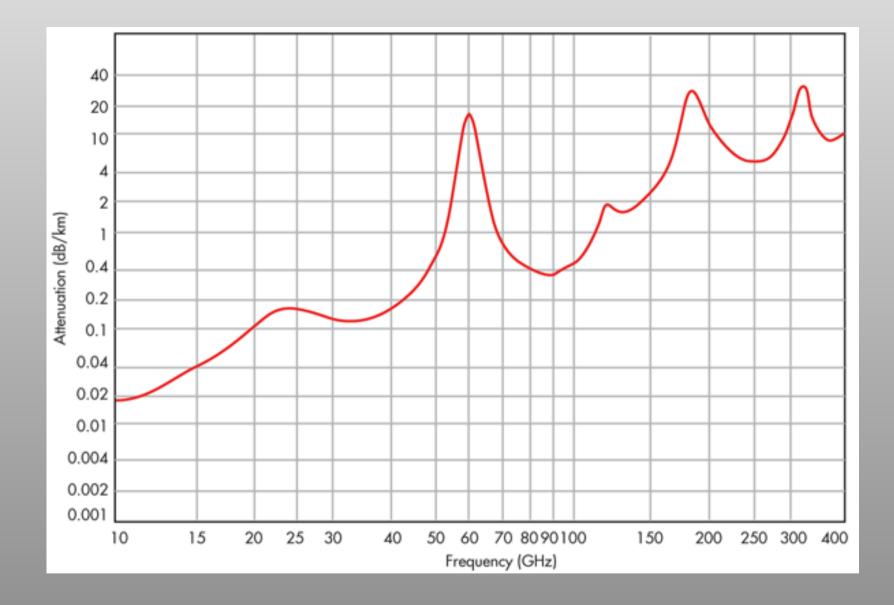


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Wireless Wire



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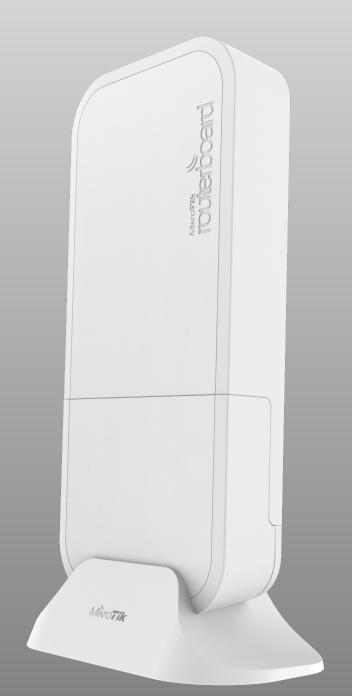
- Pre-configured 60 GHz radio link (Plug and Play)
- 4 core CPU running at 716 MHz, 256 MB of RAM
- Only 5 W of maximum power consumption
- Range of 200 meters or more
- Beamforming and PtMP support

Wireless Wire

- Channel bandwidth 2.16 GHz
- Total EIRP under 40 dBm
- 32 antenna elements
- Sweeps between 64 antenna patterns
- Wireless coverage close to 180 degrees
- Price \$198

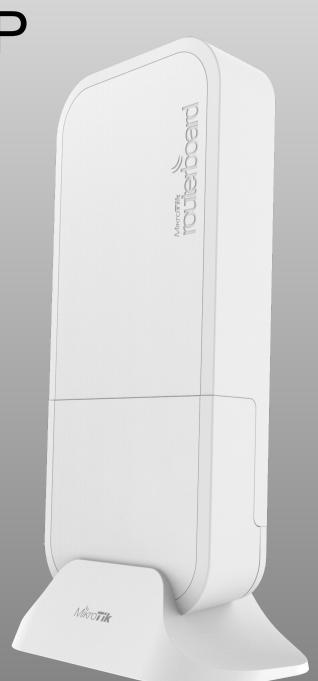
wAP 60G

- Same hardware as used in Wireless Wire kit
- CPE device
- License level 3
- Price \$99



wAP 60G AP

- Same hardware as used in Wireless Wire kit
- Access Point device for 8 clients
- License level 4
- Price \$129



LHG60G kit

- For distances up to 1500 m+
- EN 302 217 Fixed Point to Point compliant
- Antenna gain > 30dBi
- Total EIRP < 55dBm
- License level 3
- Price \$298 for kit



Wireless modes

- Wireless modes for 60 GHz
 - "ap-bridge"
 - "bridge"
 - "station-bridge"
 - "sniff"
- Configuration under "/interface w60g" menu
 - SSID
 - Password
 - Mode

Wireless comparison with other MikroTik devices

• The highest wireless throughput compared to any MikroTik wireless device at the moment

Band	N	lax through	Tested devises	
	TX	RX	TX+RX	Tested devices
2.4 GHz dual chain	256Mbps	255Mbps	252Mbps	r11e-2HPnD + RB800
5 GHz dual chain	560Mbps	561Mbps	570Mbps	r11e-5HPacD + RB800
60 GHz	1Gbps	1Gbps	2Gbps	Wireless Wire kit

 Price/performance sweet spot for short wireless links

Performance in 100 meter link

Interface <wlan60-1></wlan60-1>			
General Wireless Status Traffic			ОК
Tx/Rx Rate: 952.3 Mbps		/ 951.9 Mbps	Cancel
Tx/Rx Packet Rate: 78 736 p/s		/ 78 702 p/s	Apply
FP Tx/Rx Rate: 952.3 Mbps		/ 951.9 Mbps	Disable
FP Tx/Rx Packet Rate: 78 736 p/s		/ 78 702 p/s	Comment
Tx/Rx Bytes: 162.2 GiB		/ 161.7 GiB	Сору
Tx/RX Packets: 115 177 869		/114 816 267	Remove
Tx/Rx Drops: 0		/0	Torch
Tx/Rx Errors: 0		/0	Scan
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enabled	running	slave	

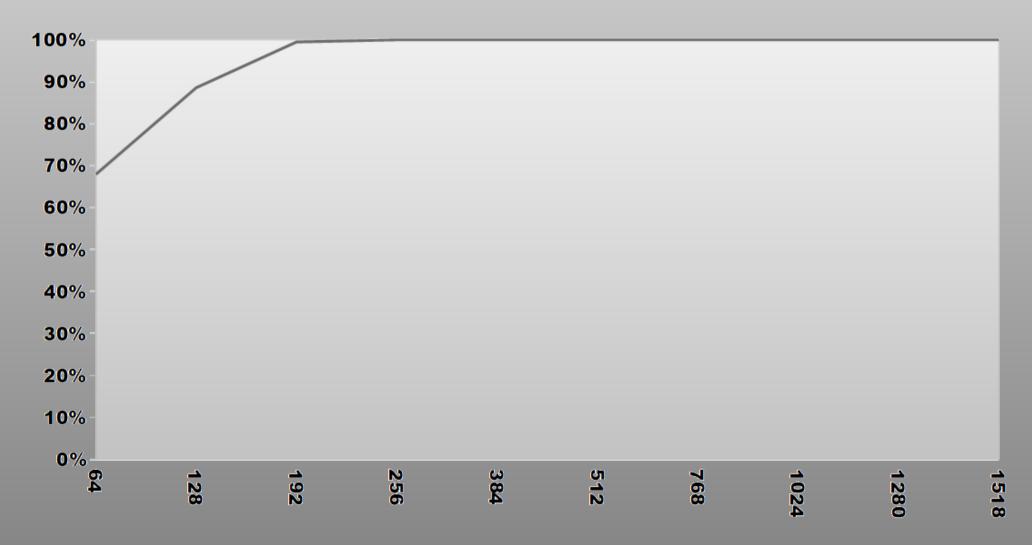
Winbox traffic graph showing "Wireless Wire" speed on 100 m link

Performance comparison to wired network

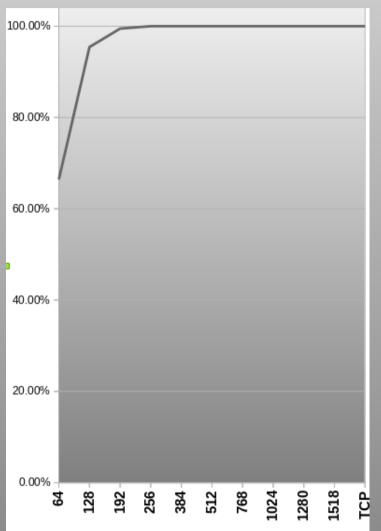
Throughput (<0,1% loss)	Theoreti	cal max	16 Streams both ways			4096 Streams both ways		
Frame size (bytes)	kpps	Mbps	kpps	Mbps	%	kpps	Mbps	%
64	2976,1	1 523,8	2022	1 035,3	67,94	1977	1 012,2	66,43
128	1689,2	1 729,7	1496,2	1 532,1	88,57	1612	1 650,7	95,43
192	1179,2	1 811,3	1173	1 801,7	99,47	1173	1 801,7	99,47
256	905,8	1 855,1	905,8	1 855,1	100,00	905,8	1 855,1	100,00
384	618,8	1 901,0	618,8	1 901,0	100,00	618,8	1 901,0	100,00
512	469,9	1 924,7	469,9	1 924,7	100,00	469,9	1 924,7	100,00
768	317,2	1 948,9	317,2	1 948,9	100,00	317,2	1 948,9	100,00
1024	239,4	1 961,2	239,4	1 961,2	100,00	239,4	1 961,2	100,00
1280	192,3	1 969,2	192,3	1 969,2	100,00	192,3	1 969,2	100,00
1518	162,5	1 973,4	162,5	1 973,4	100,00	162,5	1 973,4	100,00
TCP connection	<mark>181,6</mark>	1 970,6	181,6	1 970,6	100,00	181,6	1 970,6	100,00

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256	905.8	1,855.1	905.8	1,855.1	100.00	
384	618.8	1,901.0	618.8	1,901.0	100.00	
512	469.9	1,924.7	469.9	1,924.7	100.00	
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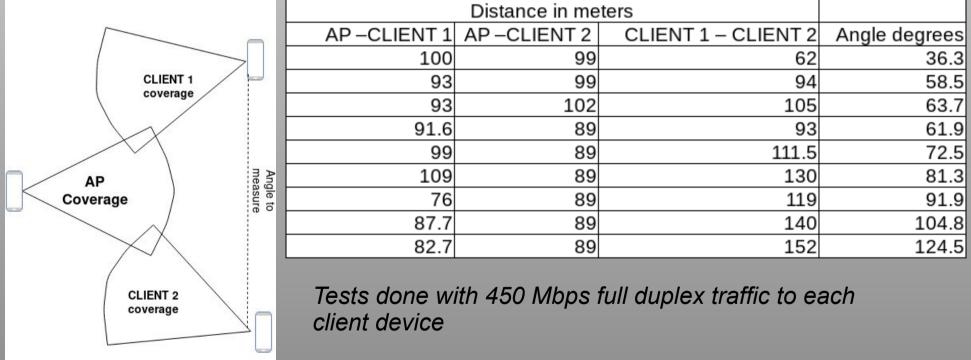
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Point to Multi Point support

- Experimental support already available starting from 6.41
- Requires level 4 license for AP device
- Connected clients are treated as individual interfaces easy to configure and manage
- Supports 8 simultaneously connected clients

PtMP performance

Beamforming capability provides larger coverage area



PtMP performance

 Up to 400 Mbps simultaneously to each client in PtMP setup with 4 clients

[admin@60_AF] > interface monitor-traffic wlan60-slave-1,wlan60-slave-2,wlan60-slave-3,wlan60-slave-4					
name:	wlan60-slave-l	wlan60-slave-2	wlan60-slave-3	wlan60-slave-4	
rx-packets-per-second:	16 431	16 034	16 106	16 933	
rx-bits-per-second:	198.7Mbps	193.9Mbps	194.8Mbps	204.8Mbps	
fp-rx-packets-per-second:	16 431	16 034	16 106	16 933	
fp-rx-bits-per-second:	198.7Mbps	193.9Mbps	194.8Mbps	204.8Mbps	
rx-drops-per-second:	0	0	0	0	
rx-errors-per-second:	0	0	0	0	
tx-packets-per-second:	16 431	16 050	16 106	16 622	
tx-bits-per-second:	198.7Mbps	194.1Mbps	194.8Mbps	201.OMbps	
fp-tx-packets-per-second:	16 431	16 050	16 106	16 622	
fp-tx-bits-per-second:	198.7Mbps	194.1Mbps	194.8Mbps	201.OMbps	
tx-drops-per-second:	0	0	0	0	
tx-queue-drops-per-second:	13	364	318	0	
tx-errors-per-second:	0	0	0	0	
- [Q quit D dump C-z pause]					

W60G new features

- Revised "master" and "slave" interface modes to more familiar "bridge", "ap-bridge", "stationbridge"
- Added "put-stations-in-bridge" and "isolatestations" options to manage connected clients
- MCS rates under MCS4 now are supported
- SNMP support starting from 6.42rc7

W60G new features

- Re-calibrated antenna sectors increasing distance over 200m (RouterOS update required)
- Added RSSI for monitoring signal strength
- TX power control

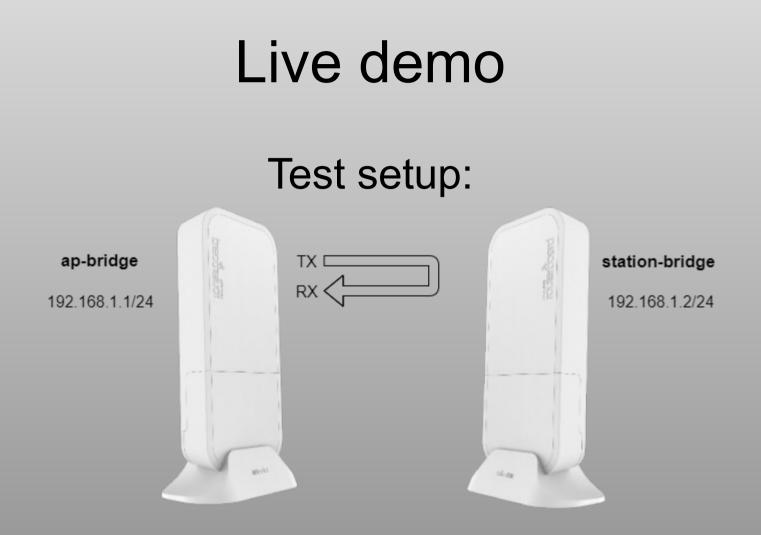
Wireless device testing

Few suggestions:

- It is preferred not to run testing tools on devices under test
- Check for bottlenecks
- Wireless devices can suffer from interference
- Test at power outputs that will be used on the device

Testing software

- Bandwidth test
 - Works under RouterOS, PC (Windows, Mac, Linux)
- Traffic Generator
 - Works under RouterOS
- Iperf and iperf3
 - Works on PC (Windows, Mac, Linux)
- Speedtest.net
- Other tools



/tool traffic-generator packet-template add ip-dst=192.168.1.1 ip-gateway=192.168.1.2 ip-src=192.168.1.10 name=test1 udp-dst-port=100-300 /tool traffic-generator stream add mbps=900 name=stream1 packet-size=1500 tx-template=test1

Live demo

• To start Traffic Generator run:

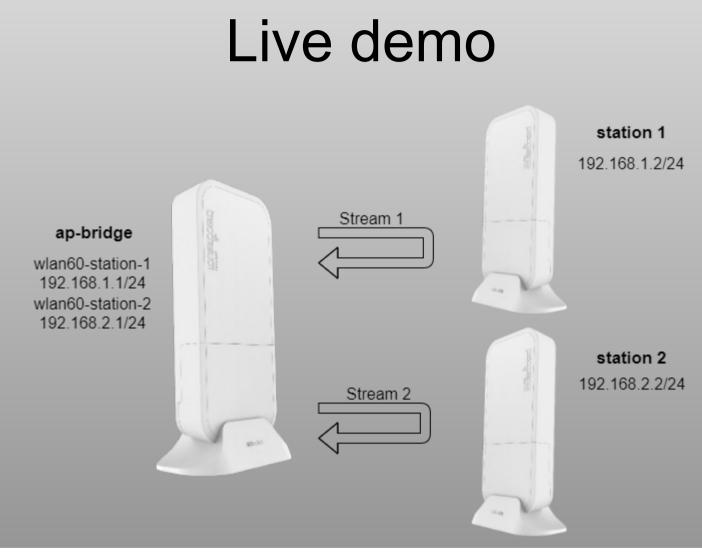
/tool traffic-generator start

• To stop:

/tool traffic-generator stop

• To run temporary Traffic Generator with extra arguments:

/tool traffic-generator quick mbps=300 packet-size=256 duration=100



/tool traffic-generator packet-template

add interface=wlan60-slave-1 ip-dst=192.168.1.1 ip-gateway=192.168.1.2 ip-src=192.168.1.10 name=pt0 add interface=wlan60-slave-2 ip-dst=192.168.2.1 ip-gateway=192.168.2.2 ip-src=192.168.2.10 name=pt1 /tool traffic-generator stream add mbps=400 name=str0 packet-size=1500 tx-template=pt0 add id=1 mbps=400 name=str1 packet-size=1500 tx-template=pt1

Thank you for your attention