Release Notes for Cisco MURAL Software Version 4.1

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Introduction

Mobility Unified Reporting and Analytics (MURAL) provides reporting and analytics for deep packet inspection (DPI) data emerging from your network, including scheduled offline reports. The MURAL user interface provides visualization of network traffic analysis, content distribution analysis, device traffic distribution and reporting for BulkStats and key performance indicators (KPIs).

The Cisco MURAL application is centrally deployed on a redundant pair of UCS 5108 Blade Server Chassis. Each chassis includes nodes called Collector (collects data streams), Compute (analyzes and aggregates data), Insta (stores and manages processed data) and UI/Caching (responds to requests from the user interface). An ASR 5000 or ASR 5500 platform feeds network data to the MURAL Collector node. External storage of both raw and computed data is hosted on EMC storage devices.

Release 4.1 supports bulkstats 21.2 version. The release is generically applicable for all MURAL deployments.

This release additionally provides central deployment of Cisco MURAL on UCS-C rack servers with internal storage for smaller deployments.

System Requirements

Cisco MURAL can be hosted on UCS 5108 Blade Server chassis specifically allocated to and configured for MURAL. An EMC VNX external storage system is also specifically allocated to and configured for MURAL. For smaller deployments, Cisco MURAL can also be hosted on UCS-C 240M3 and C460 rack servers. Refer to the Bill of Materials for a complete list of hardware components required.
Enhancements in This Release

This section lists new features that have been implemented in this software release.

1. Neural Network Model

To improve tethering detection of flows including the spoofed TTL cases, NNM model is introduced. Unlike OS-DB, the NNM output (as a database) will contain [TAC,OS-signature]-list which Cisco ASRs can lookup against the value received in incoming flows and if an entry is found, the flow can be marked as 'Tethered'.

2. TetheringUA manual DB

- To improve UA-based tethering detection, Mural will publish UA-DB on every 30 days based on the processed UA output provided from deployment, the format of UA-DB will be same as existing UA-DB only. The advantage of providing tuned UA-DB are as follows:
  - Expected to catch more tethering traffic.
  - Expected to have lesser false positives.

3. Performance improvement

Mural main data processing job performance has been improved by 15-20% with all csv reports enabled.

4. p2p IB update based on ADC

P2P added in Cisco ADC plugin have been included in Mural IB and Mural introduces “Travel” Traffic type category for better categorization of data.

5. UI Enhancement

Following UI enhancements are included in this release.

1. DPI Network Analytics quick links changed to date format for better data availability understanding.
2. Mural UI supports slow calls.

Release Contents

For ease of understanding, installation instructions have been provided in the following guides based on the deployment scenario:

- For complete fresh installation instructions, please refer to the Cisco MURAL Installation Guide.
- For fresh installation on Rack server, please refer to the Cisco MURAL Software Installation Guide for Rack Servers.
- For Upgrade installation, please refer to the Cisco MURAL Upgrade Installation Guide.
Manual Operation Procedure

Not applicable.

Resolved Issues

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Related Documentation

In addition to this document, the MURAL documentation set includes the following:

- MURAL User Guide
- MURAL Software Installation Guide
- MURAL Upgrade Guide
- MURAL Software Installation Guide for Rack Servers
- MURAL Software Installation Guide for VMWare Environment
- MURAL Operations and Troubleshooting Guide