

M!DGE2 Release Notes

Firmware version 4.4.40.xxx

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New Functionalities

IPsec improvements

IPsec tunnels can be enabled and disabled individually now.

Prevent down-grade to incompatible version

If you want to downgrade to an older release, you may have to install intermediate releases. Normally that's the latest release of the major version of the desired software. The Update process will detect the release number of the uploaded image and prevent installation of invalid releases.

IPsec

The number of configurable IPsec tunnels was increased to 10.

GUI improvements

It is now possible to configure whether status messages should appear on the web interface login page.

The system log level settings can now be changed more convenient in the web interface.

It is now possible to import IPsec expert mode files with encrypted keys via the web interface.

Routers with Toby-L2 LTE modules now show LTE band information on the WWAN status page.

SDK improvements

M!DGE2 can now be set to a low power sleep mode from SDK.

STP and RSTP

STP and RSTP is now supported.

Improved user access rights

The user access management was improved. It is now possible to grant native shell access to additional admin users or to disable shell access for a user.

Additional GRE tunnel parameters

It is now possible to configure tunnel keys for GRE to allow a gateway to distinguish between GRE packages from different connected end devices.

Additional BGP settings

The BGP setup allows to configure additional parameters for time-out, hold-time and weight.

Maximum number of static DHCP hosts increased

It is now possible to configure up to 70 static DHCP host entries.

Asymmetric routing is available

Asymmetric routing is when a packet takes one path to the destination and takes another path when returning to the source. These data were dropped by M!DGE2 firewall. It could cause temporary issues if RipEX Backup paths were configured in the network. It can be controlled now via CLI. The required parameter is "*firewall.invalid_ip*".

Security Fixes

Security fixes in 3rd party and open source packages

CVE-2018-15599: *dropbear* contained a user enumeration vulnerability

CVE-2020-8597: *pppd* remote code execution in EAP code

Fixes

ublox Toby-L2 SMS handling

While receiving big SMS messages, the evaluation of the SMS message index could lead to wrong results.

IPsec tunnel configuration failed

It could happen that IPsec was not correctly activated after installing a user-configuration file. This could happen with special configuration settings. If IPsec came up after applying a configuration (most scenarios), then you were not affected.

GUI improvements

The required RSSI value for mobile interfaces was set to 100 dBm automatically without customer interaction.

NTP Server did not allow to set up access from world (0.0.0.0/0).

IPsec network configuration allows to configure overlapping networks for local and remote side now.

File format of tcpdump debug traces from the web interface was improved.

It could happen that a software update failed with a generic error message if the software image download failed. Now, in such cases, the web interface will show a more helpful error message.

It was not possible to configure a firewall rule with dedicated incoming and outgoing interface.

The web interface returned an error if some special characters like quotes were used inside an email password.

Disabled radio buttons were not shown as disabled. Nevertheless, it was not possible to change their values.

Logs from SDK scripts did not wrap with the page width of the web interface.

ublox Toby-L2 I²S communication

The I²S communication could fail while using a ublox Toby-L2 module.

Toby-L2 initial registration

While using a Toby-L2 module, the initial registration could fail when no 2G connection was available.

Authentication in SMS control SDK script

The SMS control SDK script which is enabled by default in every MIDGE2 unit did not accept the 'admin' password until un-storing and storing its password was done. For all already configured MIDGE2 units, a factory-reset must be applied for the functionality to be fully operational or that unstore/store procedure.

Software downgrade via USB stick failed

In factory state, the downgrade to Releases prior 4.2.40.x failed.

SDK improvements

The function *nb_syslog()* did not clean an internal buffer correctly which could lead to corrupted log messages.

Due to an erase condition, mails sent from the SDK on a high rate could get lost before they were sent.

Possible LTE connection loss

Devices with Toby-L2 LTE modules faced sporadic connection losses. In some cases, the connection could not be re-established until reboot. This was fixed.

Bring up several LTE connections with switch-over links

Switch-over links should come up if their permanent master link disconnects. This did not work correctly if there were several permanent WWAN links with switch-over configured.

Configuration via USB stick could fail

Due to a time-out issue, it could happen that consecutive configuration steps via USB stick failed. This would only affect you if you use one USB stick with some base configuration and then apply another configuration with a USB stick on top without rebooting between these steps. You can apply consecutive configurations via USB stick one after the other now.

IPsec improvements

In some situations, it was not possible to reach the configuration web interface of a local router because traffic was erroneously routed via the IPsec tunnel. This was fixed.

Link supervision timeout prevents switch to better link

If link supervision was enabled, the link management did not change to a better link before the supervision timeout was reached. Even if the link was obviously down. This was changed so that a better link would be taken into account directly once being sure the old one was lost.

Low LTE throughput

Due to a failure in the TCP window management, the LTE throughput was very low. This was especially an issue in longer TCP sessions like big file downloads or VPN connections.

USB-Ethernet adapter not working

Due to an internal misconfiguration, USB-Ethernet adapters were not shown in the IP setup of the web interface.

Reset of GNSS module could fail

There had been situations where the GNSS supervision failed to reset a GNSS module correctly. In that case, no GNSS fix was available until the next system reboot.

Installing a software release could lead to loss of stored factory configuration

After installing a new software release, the factory configuration manually stored by the customer was lost.

Known Issues

Protocol server restrictions

The serial Protocol server is bound to the 1st LAN IP address, port 8882. It is not possible to re-configure it. Limitations are:

- Only one Protocol server can be configured even in units with more RS232 interfaces
- If Protocol server's mapping is based on WAN IP addresses, masquerading and Destination NAT are required for correct functionality (i.e. incoming data via WAN on UDP port 8882 must be forwarded to local M!DGE2' 1st LAN IP address). If using VPN tunnels, mapping should be configured to these LAN IP addresses.

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New Functionalities

GUI improvements

Redundant settings for HTTP, HTTPS and telnet were removed. These services are now managed via Services setup.

SDK improvements

New function *usleep()* provides sub second sleep intervals.

New API function to *nb_syslog_p()* for logging to different log levels.

GNSS dead-reckoning

New configuration options to store and load GNSS DR calibration data to the GNSS module for faster DR learning and better DR data basis.

SNMP service improvements

System temperature is now provided on SNMP poll. The OID is *1.3.6.1.4.1.33555.10.40.50.0*.

Added support for certificate chains for OpenVPN export mode configuration

It is possible now to install certificate chains for OpenVPN using the expert mode configuration process.

Netflow interface supervision for Ethernet and WWAN interfaces

Netflow was introduced for WLAN interfaces and is now available for other device types like Ethernet and WWAN as well.

MQTT Broker

A MQTT Broker can now be configured on M!DGE2 Routers providing MQTT service to the network.

Key-parameter support for GRE tunnels

GRE tunnels now support the Key-parameter which is used to separate different GRE tunnels between two end-points.

Security Fixes

Fixes

Watchdog on failing SDK script did not work

A change in the watchdog API was not properly handled by the SDK scripting engine. Resulting in watchdog to fail to restart the System on error. This was fixed.

Problems on switch-over between WAN and WWAN

Under rare conditions, the switch over between WAN and WWAN did not work as expected.

GUI improvements

The GUI failed to set some special characters like '&'.

If VLAN is configured on bridge devices, the bridge interfaces showed up several times in the web GUI. This was fixed.

Due to a mistake in the input sanity check, it was not possible to change some user options without changing the user's password. This was fixed.

For actions which require the current password which is normally stored only as salted hash, it is still required to provide the password, but this (new) password may be the same as the old one. Due to a failure in string escaping functionality, some AT commands failed. This was fixed.
Fixed typo

IPsec tunnels failed to start

Due to timing issues on setups with several IPsec tunnels, some of these sometimes failed to start. The start procedure was changed to prevent this failure.

Old configuration files failed to apply

Some very old configuration files failed to apply with error message 'Unable to create backup'. This was fixed.

Bridge interface lost on software update

Software bridge interfaces (like BR1, BR2) might get lost on SW-Update and needed to be reconfigured after the update was finished. This was fixed and the bridge interfaces are preserved on software update.

Storage date of last "Factory Default Config" is not updated on consecutive storage events

If the function to store the current configuration as factory default is called several times, the timestamp of the latest store event is not updated. This was fixed.

SDK improvements

nb_dio_count failed to remove obsolete data resulting in wrong data. This was fixed.

GNSS data show up delayed

We have seen GNSS data to be delayed by some seconds due to a failure in buffer handling. This was fixed.

4G-only WWAN connection failed to connect

Under certain conditions, LTE modules failed to connect if 4G-only was selected even though LTE network was available. That was fixed.

Unstable WWAN connection with LTE-First setting

With LTE-First option, some LTE modules failed to establish connection under poor LTE conditions on software release 4.3.40.102. This was fixed.

The LTE module could stay in 2G or 3G even though better service type is available

This has been fixed.

Connection tracking for FTP service missing

On software releases since 4.3.40.100, the connection tracking for FTP was not configured correctly. This was fixed.

TCP/IP connection not established when the connection is terminated inside M!DGE2 router

This was fixed by changing of internal kernel parameters.

Reboot with GNSS module

The GNSS module in combination with 4.3.40.x causes rebooting of the M!DGE2 unit. This was fixed.

Boot order of services

In some rare combination of M!DGE2 services, the particular service did not come up correctly. The order of services has been improved.

TCP establishment

Some TCP sessions (ports) could not be fully established if this TCP was terminated in M!DGE2 while GRE over IPsec was established. This was fixed.

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