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Application Notes for Empirix Hammer IP with Avaya Aura® Communication Manager using H.323 Trunk Emulation – Issue 1.0

Abstract

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Readers should pay attention to Section 2, in particular the scope of testing as outlined in Section 2.1 as well as the observations noted in Section 2.2, to ensure that their own use cases are adequately covered by this scope and results.

Information in these Application Notes has been obtained through DevConnect compliance testing and additional technical discussions. Testing was conducted via the DevConnect Program at the Avaya Solution and Interoperability Test Lab.

1 Introduction

These Application Notes describe the configuration steps required to integrate Empirix Hammer IP with Avaya Aura® Communication Manager using H.323 trunk emulation. Empirix Hammer IP validates IP-based systems by testing the actual network under anticipated traffic conditions to provide a complete understanding of expected performance. Empirix Hammer IP can be used to assess and monitor network performance, reliability and quality of VoIP services in an Avaya IP telephony network. In this configuration, Empirix Hammer IP emulates H.323 trunks that originate and terminate calls through Avaya Aura® Communication Manager. While the call is active, Empirix Hammer IP can send DTMF tones and voice media, and provide voice quality metrics. Call progress can also be monitored, and at the completion of the test, test reports can be generated. Hammer IP provides a collection of applications used to configure the system; create, schedule, and monitor tests; and create reports.

The following set of Hammer IP applications were used during the compliance testing:

- Hammer Configurator used to configure and manage the system.
- Hammer TestBuilder used to create and run test scripts.
- Hammer System Monitor used to monitor call progress.
- Hammer Call Summary Monitor used to monitor call completion.

Below is a list of related Application Notes that describes terminating calls to H.323 endpoints, SIP trunks, and SIP endpoints.

- Application Notes for Empirix Hammer IP with Avaya Aura® Communication Manager using H.323 Endpoint Emulation [2]
- Application Notes for Empirix Hammer IP with Avaya Aura® Communication Manager and Avaya Aura® Session Manager using SIP Trunk Emulation [3]
- Application Notes for Empirix Hammer IP with Avaya Aura® Communication Manager and Avaya Aura® Session Manager using SIP Endpoint Emulation [4]

2 General Test Approach

Interoperability compliance testing covered feature and serviceability testing. The feature testing was conducted by originating and terminating calls using H.323 trunk channels on Hammer IP and establishing the calls through Communication Manager. The compliance test also covered monitoring various reports on Hammer IP during and after the test runs, and checking the status of various H.323 resources on Communication Manager. The serviceability testing focused on verifying the ability of the Hammer IP to recover from adverse conditions, such as disconnecting the Ethernet cable.

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DevConnect members, nor is it to be construed as an endorsement by Avaya of the suitability or completeness of a DevConnect member's solution.

Avaya recommends our customers implement Avaya solutions using appropriate security and encryption capabilities enabled by our products. The testing referenced in this DevConnect Application Note included the enablement of supported encryption capabilities in the Avaya products. Readers should consult the appropriate Avaya product documentation for further information regarding security and encryption capabilities supported by those Avaya products.

Support for these security and encryption capabilities in any non-Avaya solution component is the responsibility of each individual vendor. Readers should consult the appropriate vendor-supplied product documentation for more information regarding those products.

For the testing associated with this Application Note, the interface between Avaya systems and Empirix Hammer IP did not include use of any specific encryption features as requested by Empirix.

2.1 Interoperability Compliance Testing

The interoperability compliance testing focused on verifying that Hammer IP can establish H.323 trunks with Communication Manager, establish calls, send voice media, and provide voice quality metrics. The following features and functionality were covered:

- Originating and terminating calls through Communication Manager.
- Support of G.711mu-law and G.729 codecs.
- Support of direct IP-to-IP media (also known as "Shuffling" which allows IP endpoints to send audio RTP packets directly to each other without using media resources on the Avaya Media Gateway).
- Calls with IP Audio Hairpinning enabled.
- Generating voice quality metrics with Shuffling disabled.
- DTMF support.
- Originating calls from H.323 trunks and terminating calls on H.323 trunks, H.323 endpoints, SIP trunks, and SIP endpoints.

Note: Performance and load testing was not the focus of the compliance test.

2.2 Test Results

Hammer IP was successful in originating calls using H.323 trunk emulation and terminating calls on channels emulating H.323 endpoints, H.323 trunks, SIP endpoints, and SIP trunks. The compliance test was completed with the following observations:

- Direct IP-to-IP Media (i.e., Shuffling) using H.323 trunks between Communication Manager and Hammer IP is not supported. However, Shuffling with H.323 endpoints and SIP endpoints/trunks is supported.
- IP Audio Hairpinning with H.323 trunks is not supported. However, IP Audio Hairpinning with H.323 endpoints and SIP endpoints/trunks is supported.

- When a call scenario originates from a H.323 trunk and terminates on a SIP endpoint/trunk, and uses the Media Server for media processing, the SDP payload type must match between Communication Manager and Hammer IP. The payload type may be configured in the SIP trunk group on Communication Manager or the Media Profile on Hammer IP.
- It was observed that after reconnecting the Ethernet cable or re-establishing network connectivity, while a test script was running, required the channels to be unregistered and the configuration to be re-applied.
- Communication Manager does not shuffle calls between a SIP trunk and H.323 trunk. This is per design. If the originating endpoint on Hammer is a SIP endpoint, note that the call arrives on Communication Manager via a SIP trunk. Therefore, a call from a SIP endpoint to an H.323 trunk is essentially a call from a SIP trunk to an H.323 trunk and the call is not shuffled.

Important Note: The purpose of this compliance test was to verify interoperability between Hammer IP and Communication Manager using H.323 trunk emulation. That is, the goal was to verify that Hammer IP can establish a H.323 trunk with Communication Manager and establish calls. This was successfully verified. If a Hammer test encounters failed calls, there are various items to consider, including:

- The **Guard Time** and **Stagger** parameters may be set too aggressively (e.g., Hammer IP may be initiating too many calls too quickly) and the configuration under test may not be able to handle the load generated by Hammer IP. These parameters should be considered carefully for each test. It may be necessary to slow down the test to a rate that can be reasonably handled by the test configuration.
- Resources may be getting exhausted in the Avaya Media Gateway. These resources may include media processing resources, touch-tone receivers (TTRs), network trunks, and TDM bus resources.
- The pause duration in a test script may need to be adjusted to synchronize the A and B sides.

Generally speaking, call failures encountered in Hammer IP are usually a result of one of the issues mentioned above.

2.3 Support

Technical support on Empirix Hammer IP can be obtained via phone, website, or email.

■ **Phone:** (978) 313-7002

• Web: https://www.empirix.com/support/maintenance/

■ Email: supportcontract@empirix.com

3 Reference Configuration

The network diagram below illustrates the test configuration. In this configuration, Communication Manager receives calls from the Hammer IP, which emulates H.323 trunks. Communication Manager routes the call back to Hammer IP over a H.323 trunk. Hammer G5 then terminates the calls. The calls can also be terminated to a H.323 endpoint, SIP endpoint, or SIP trunk¹. While the calls are established, Hammer IP can send DTMF and/or voice media (i.e., RTP traffic) using an audio recording. A voice quality test allows voice quality metrics to be provided at the end of each call. Hammer IP applications running on the Hammer IP server were used to configure the system, create and monitor the tests, and view the test reports.

Note: When testing IP Audio Hairpinning, an Avaya G650 Media Gateway with a Media Processor (TN2302AP) was required, but not shown in the diagram below.

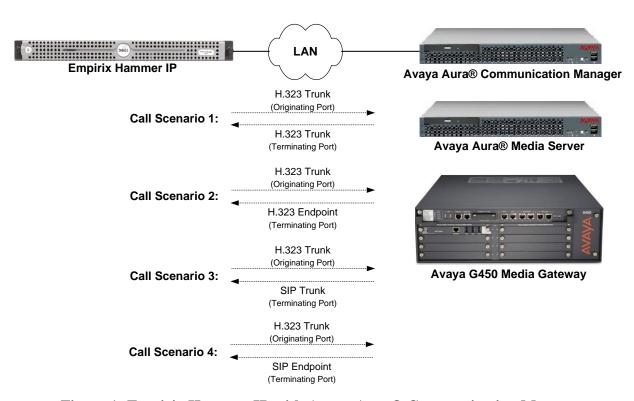


Figure 1: Empirix Hammer IP with Avaya Aura® Communication Manager

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¹ To terminate the call to a SIP trunk or endpoint, Avaya Aura® Session Manager is required, but is not shown in the configuration diagram.

4 Equipment and Software Validated

The following equipment and software were used for the sample configuration provided:

Equipment/Software	Release/Version
Avaya Aura® Communication Manager	7.1.3 FP3 (R017x.01.0.532.0 with Patch 24515)
Avaya G450 Media Gateway	FW 38.21.1
Avaya G650 Media Gateway with Media Processor TN2302AP CLAN TN799DP	HW12 FW121 HW01 FW044
Avaya Aura® Media Server	v.7.8.0.393
Avaya Aura® Session Manager	7.1.3.0.713014
Avaya Aura® System Manager	7.1.3 Build No. – 7.1.0.0.1125193 Software Update Revision No: 7.1.3.0.037763 Feature Pack 3
Empirix Hammer IP running on Microsoft Windows Server 2012 R2 Standard with 2.93 GHz (4 processors) Intel Xeon CPU and 4.0 GB of RAM on VMware	7.1.0.37

5 Configure Avaya Aura® Communication Manager

This section provides the procedures for configuring Communication Manager. The configuration was performed using the System Access Terminal (SAT). The procedures include the following areas:

- Administer IP Node Names
- Administer IP Codec Set
- Administer IP Network Region
- Administer H.323 Trunks for Originating and Terminating Calls on Hammer IP
- Administer Call Routing

5.1 Administer IP Node Names

In the **IP Node Names** form, assign an IP address and host name for Communication Manager (*procr*) and the originating and terminating H.323 trunks associated with Hammer IP. The host names will be used throughout the other configuration screens of Communication Manager.

```
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change node-names ip
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                                IP NODE NAMES
Name
HammerIP-Orig
                  IP Address
                 10.64.102.171
HammerIP-Term
                 10.64.102.181
default
                 0.0.0.0
                 10.64.102.119
devcon-aes
devcon-ams
                 10.64.102.118
devcon-sm
                 10.64.102.117
                  10.64.102.115
procr
procr6
                  ::
( 8 of 8 administered node-names were displayed )
Use 'list node-names' command to see all the administered node-names
Use 'change node-names ip xxx' to change a node-name 'xxx' or add a node-name
```

5.2 Administer IP Codec Set

In the **IP** Codec Set form, specify the audio codec(s) required by the test that will be run on Hammer IP. The form is accessed via the **change ip-codec-set 1** command. Note the codec set number since it will be used in the IP Network Region covered in the next section. For the compliance test, G.711mu-law, G.729AB, and G.729A codecs were used. In the **IP** Codec Set form, specify the appropriate codec being used by the Hammer test. Below is the IP codec set configured for G.711mu-law.

```
change ip-codec-set 1

IP Codec Set

Codec Set: 1

Audio Silence Frames Packet
Codec Suppression Per Pkt Size(ms)

1: G.711MU n 2 20

2: 3:
```

5.3 Administer IP Network Region

In the **IP Network Region** form, specify the codec set to be used for Hammer calls and specify whether **IP-IP Direct Audio** (Shuffling) is required for the test. Shuffling allows audio traffic to be sent directly between IP endpoints without using media resources in the Avaya Media Gateway or Media Server. Note that if Shuffling is enabled, audio traffic does not egress Hammer IP since the call would be shuffled.

```
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change ip-network-region 1
                              IP NETWORK REGION
 Region: 1 NR Group: 1
               Authoritative Domain: avaya.com
Location: 1
   Name:
                              Stub Network Region: n
MEDIA PARAMETERS
                             Intra-region IP-IP Direct Audio: no
     Codec Set: 1
                             Inter-region IP-IP Direct Audio: no
  UDP Port Min: 2048
                                         IP Audio Hairpinning? n
  UDP Port Max: 50999
DIFFSERV/TOS PARAMETERS
Call Control PHB Value: 46
       Audio PHB Value: 46
       Video PHB Value: 26
802.1P/Q PARAMETERS
Call Control 802.1p Priority: 6
       Audio 802.1p Priority: 6
       Video 802.1p Priority: 5
                                    AUDIO RESOURCE RESERVATION PARAMETERS
H.323 IP ENDPOINTS
                                                      RSVP Enabled? n
 H.323 Link Bounce Recovery? y
Idle Traffic Interval (sec): 20
  Keep-Alive Interval (sec): 5
           Keep-Alive Count: 5
```

5.4 Administer H.323 Trunks

Prior to configuring an H.323 trunk group for communication with Hammer IP, a H.323 signaling group must be configured. This signaling group is used for incoming calls from Hammer IP. Configure the **Signaling Group** form as shown below. The **Far-end Node Name** field is set to *HammerIP-Orig*, which is associated with IP address 10.64.102.171. Shuffling may be enabled or disabled at the signaling group level or at the IP network region level. Configure other fields in **bold** as shown below. After configuring the H.323 trunk group, return to this form and configure the **Trunk Group for Channel Selection** field.

```
add signaling-group 71
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                                                                           6
                                SIGNALING GROUP
Group Number: 71
                             Group Type: h.323
        SBS? n
                          Remote Office? n
                                                   Max number of NCA TSC: 0
       Q-SIP? n
                                                     Max number of CA TSC: 0
    IP Video? n
                                                  Trunk Group for NCA TSC:
      Trunk Group for Channel Selection: 71 X-Mobility/Wireless Type: NONE
     TSC Supplementary Service Protocol: a
                                                     Network Call Transfer? n
                                                  T303 Timer(sec): 10
  H.245 DTMF Signal Tone Duration (msec):
  Near-end Node Name: procr
                                             Far-end Node Name: HammerIP-Orig
Near-end Listen Port: 1720
                                          Far-end Listen Port: 1720
                                      Far-end Network Region: 1
        LRQ Required? n
                                        Calls Share IP Signaling Connection? n
        RRQ Required? n
    Media Encryption? n
                                             Bypass If IP Threshold Exceeded? n
                                                     H.235 Annex H Required? n
 DTMF over IP: out-of-band
Link Loss Delay Timer(sec): 90
Enable Layer 3 Test? n
                                            Direct IP-IP Audio Connections? y
                                                       IP Audio Hairpinning? n
                                                 Interworking Message: PROGress
H.323 Station Outgoing Direct Media? n DCP/Analog Bearer Capability: 3.1kHz
```

Configure the **Trunk Group** form as shown below. This trunk group is used for incoming calls from Hammer IP. Set the **Group Type** field to *isdn* and the **Carrier Medium** field to *H.323*, set the **Service Type** field to *tie*, specify the signaling group associated with this trunk group in the **Signaling Group** field, and specify the **Number of Members** supported by this H.323 trunk group. Signaling Group 71 is associated with this H.323 trunk group used for originating calls.

```
add trunk-group 71

TRUNK GROUP

Group Number: 71

Group Type: isdn

CDR Reports: y

Group Name: Hammer IP - Originator

Direction: two-way

Outgoing Display? n

Carrier Medium: H.323

Dial Access? n

Busy Threshold: 255 Night Service:

Queue Length: 0

Service Type: tie

Auth Code? n

Member Assignment Method: auto

Signaling Group: 71

Number of Members: 10
```

The H.323 signaling group associated with the H.323 trunk group used to route outgoing calls is configured below. This signaling group is used for routing calls to Hammer IP. Configure the **Signaling Group** form as shown below. The **Far-end Node Name** field is set to *HammerIP-Term*, which is associated with IP address 10.64.102.181. Shuffling may be enabled or disabled at the signaling group level or at the IP network region level. After configuring the H.323 trunk group, return to this form and configure the **Trunk Group for Channel Selection** field.

```
add signaling-group 81
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                              SIGNALING GROUP
 Group Number: 81
                            Group Type: h.323
        SBS? n
                         Remote Office? n
                                                  Max number of NCA TSC: 0
       Q-SIP? n
                                                   Max number of CA TSC: 0
    IP Video? n
                                               Trunk Group for NCA TSC:
      Trunk Group for Channel Selection: 81
                                               X-Mobility/Wireless Type: NONE
                                                  Network Call Transfer? n
     TSC Supplementary Service Protocol: a
                                               T303 Timer(sec): 10
  H.245 DTMF Signal Tone Duration(msec):
  Near-end Node Name: procr
                                           Far-end Node Name: HammerIP-Term
Near-end Listen Port: 1720
                                        Far-end Listen Port: 1720
                                     Far-end Network Region: 1
                                      Calls Share IP Signaling Connection? n
        LRQ Required? n
        RRQ Required? n
    Media Encryption? n
                                           Bypass If IP Threshold Exceeded? n
                                                   H.235 Annex H Required? n
        DTMF over IP: out-of-band
                                           Direct IP-IP Audio Connections? y
 Link Loss Delay Timer(sec): 90
                                                    IP Audio Hairpinning? n
                                              Interworking Message: PROGress
H.323 Station Outgoing Direct Media? n DCP/Analog Bearer Capability: 3.1kHz
```

Configure the **Trunk Group** form as shown below. This trunk group is used for routing calls to Hammer IP. Set the **Group Type** field to *isdn* and the **Carrier Medium** field to *H.323*, set the **Service Type** field to *tie*, specify the signaling group associated with this trunk group in the **Signaling Group** field, and specify the **Number of Members** supported by this H.323 trunk group. Signaling Group 81 is associated with this H.323 trunk group used for terminating calls.

```
add trunk-group 81
                                                            Page 1 of 21
                               TRUNK GROUP
                                  Group Type: isdn CDR Reports: y
Group Number: 81
 Group Name: Hammer IP - Terminator COR: 1
Direction: two-way Outgoing Display? n
                                                     TN: 1 TAC: 1081
                                                      Carrier Medium: H.323
Dial Access? n
                           Busy Threshold: 255 Night Service:
Queue Length: 0
Service Type: tie
                                   Auth Code? n
                                             Member Assignment Method: auto
                                                      Signaling Group: 81
                                                    Number of Members: 10
```

5.5 Administer Call Routing

When originating a call, Hammer IP will dial the AAR access code '8' followed by "77600". The **AAR Digit Analysis Table** specifies that for these dialed digits, the call should be routed using Route Pattern 81.

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	I	AAR DI	GIT ANALY			
	Location: all					Percent Full: 1
Dialed	Total		Route	Call	Node	ANI
String	Min	Max	Pattern	Type	Num	Reqd
7	7	7	254	aar		n
77600	5	n				
78	5	5	10	lev0		n
8	7	7	254	aar		n
9	7	7	254	aar		n

Route Pattern 81 specifies Trunk Group 81 as the outgoing trunk group. Hammer IP will terminate any call regardless of the digits received.

char	nge r	coute-pat	terr	n 81								Page	1 of	3
				Pattern N	Numbei	r: 81		Patterr	n Name	: Har	nmer	IP		
	SCCA	AN? n	Seci	are SIP? r	ı	Used	for	SIP sta	ations	? n				
	Grp	FRL NPA	Pfx	Hop Toll	No.	Inser	ted						DCS/	IXC
	No		Mrk	Lmt List	Del	Digit	S						QSIG	
					Dgts								Intw	
1:	81	0											n	user
2:													n	user
3:													n	user
4:													n	user
5:													n	user
6:													n	user
			TSC	CA-TSC	ITC	BCIE	Serv	ice/Fea	ature	PARM			_	LAR
	0 1	2 M 4 W		Request							Dgts	Format	t	
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		у у у п			rest									none
		у у у n			rest									none
		у у у n			rest									none
5:	У У	у у у n	n		rest	5								none
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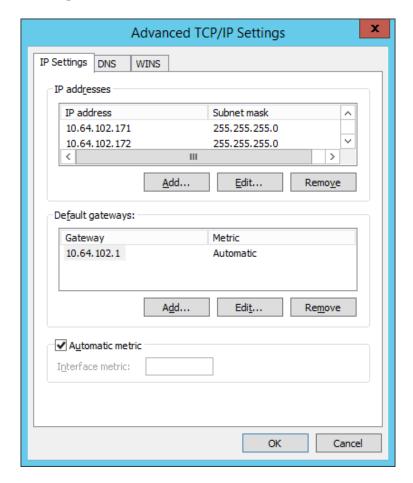
6 Configure Empirix Hammer IP

This section provides the procedures for configuring Empirix Hammer IP. The procedures fall into the following areas:

- Assign unique IP addresses to each Hammer IP channel.
- Configure the H.323 trunk interface using the **Hammer Configurator**.
- Save and apply the Hammer configuration and start the Hammer server.
- Create and run the test script using the Hammer TestBuilder.

6.1 Configure IP Addresses on Hammer IP Server

The Hammer IP server needs to be configured with the IP addresses for each channel. During the compliance test, 20 H.323 trunk channels were used, but they were arranged into two groups — one for originating calls and one for terminating calls. Each group required a unique IP address. Only two IP addresses were required, one per group. The IP address used for the H.323 trunks used for originating calls was 10.64.102.171. The IP address used for the H.323 trunk used for terminating calls was 10.64.102.181. These IP addresses are configured in the **Advanced TCP/IP Settings** under Network Connections in Windows Server 2012.



6.2 Configure System

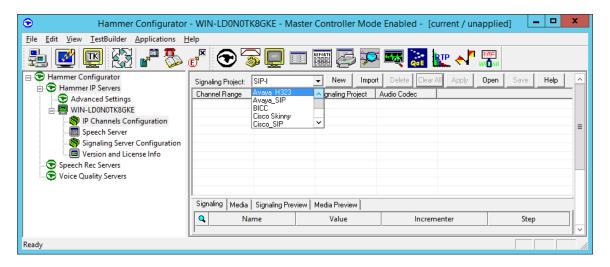
This section covers the configuration of originating and terminating channels on Hammer IP. In this configuration, the originating channels emulate H.323 trunks (described in **Section 6.2.1**). The terminating channels can emulate H.323 endpoints, H.323 trunks, SIP endpoints, or SIP trunks. These Application Notes will explicitly describe the configuration for terminating calls to H.323 trunks in **Section 6.2.2.1**. In addition, references are provided to other Application Notes for configuring terminating channels as H.323 endpoints, SIP trunks, or SIP endpoints in **Sections 6.2.2.2**, **6.2.2.3**, and **6.2.2.4**, respectively. Only one of those sections needs to be followed depending on the configuration desired.

6.2.1 Configure Originating Channels – H.323 Trunks

Hammer IP is configured through the **Hammer Configurator**, a graphical user interface, residing on the Hammer IP server. From the Hammer IP server, run the **Hammer Configurator**. The following screen is displayed.

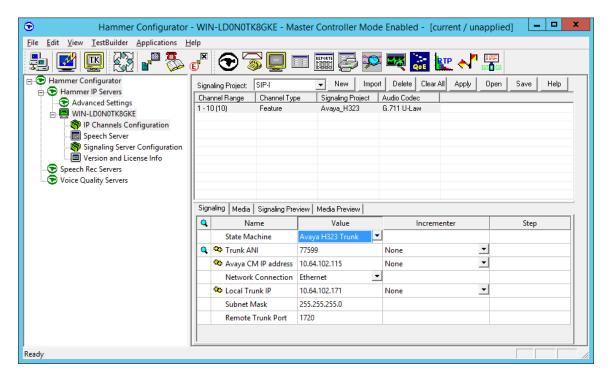
Note: It is assumed that Hammer IP is already in **Master Controller Mode**. To verify, check that the title bar of the **Hammer Configurator** indicates *Master Controller Mode Enabled* as shown below. It is also assumed that a system was already added to the configuration. In this configuration, the system name is *WIN-LD0N0TK8GKE*, which corresponds to the server name.

In the **Hammer Configurator**, the server name will appear in the left pane of the **Hammer Configurator**. Expand the server name (e.g., *WIN-LD0N0TK8GKE*) in the left pane and click on **IP Channels Configuration**. The following window will be displayed. Select *Avaya H.323* for the **Signaling Project** and then click **New**.



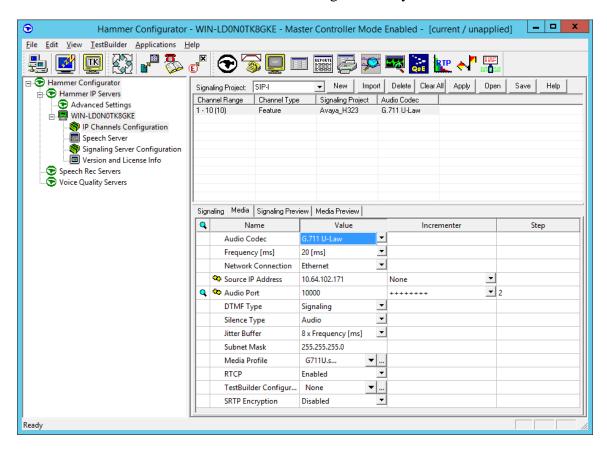
The first line in the grid that is highlighted in the figure below corresponds to the 10 originating channels. To set the number of channels in the group, click on the **Channel Range** cell in the grid and enter the number "10". Set the **Channel Type** cell to *Feature*. The following fields in the **Signaling** tab should then be set as follows:

- **State Machine** should be set to *Avaya H323 Trunk*.
- Trunk ANI can be set to any digits.
- Avaya CM IP Address should be set to the Communication Manager IP address (e.g., 10.64.102.115). Use the C-LAN IP address if a C-LAN card is being used in a G650 Media Gateway.
- **Network Connection** should be set to the appropriate network interface on the server.
- Local Trunk IP should be set to the IP address of the group (e.g., 10.64.102.171) and should match the IP address configured on Communication Manager in Sections 5.1 and 5.4.
- **Subnet Mask** should be set to the network mask (e.g., 255.255.255.0).
- **Remote Trunk Port** should be set to the H.323 signaling port (e.g., 1720).



In the **Media** tab of the 10 originating channels, configure the fields as follows:

- Audio Codec should be set to the appropriate codec for the test. G711 U-Law, G729AB, and G.729A were used during the compliance testing.
- **Frequency [ms]** should be set to the appropriate value for the specified codec. It should match the Packet Size [ms] field in the **IP Codec Set** form on Communication Manager for the specified codec.
- **Network Connection** should specify the appropriate network interface.
- Source IP Address should be set to the IP address of the group (e.g., 10.64.102.171).
- Media Profile should be set to one that specifies the codec configured in the Audio Codec field. The default values for the remaining fields may be used as shown.



6.2.2 Configure Terminating Channels

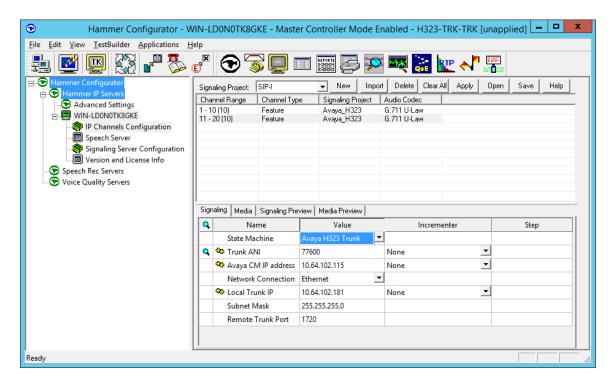
During the compliance test, the originating channels emulated H.323 trunks with the calls terminating on H.323 trunks, H.323 endpoints, SIP trunks, or SIP endpoints. Select one of the following subsections depending on the configuration desired.

- **Section 6.2.2.1** for terminating calls on H.323 trunks.
- **Section 6.2.2.2** for terminating calls on H.323 endpoints.
- Section 6.2.2.3 for terminating calls on SIP trunks.
- **Section 6.2.2.4** for terminating calls on SIP endpoints.

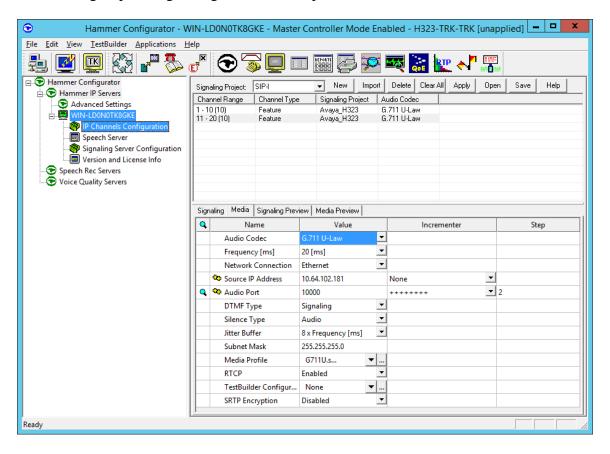
Note: Ensure that the originating and terminating channels are assigned unique IP addresses.

6.2.2.1 Configure Terminating Channels – H.323 Trunks

The second line in the grid that is highlighted in the figure below corresponds to the second group of channels that will terminate the calls. Set the **Channel Range** cell to the number of channels in this group. The configuration of the **Signal** tab is similar to the one for the group of originating channels with the exception that the **Trunk ANI** and **Local Trunk IP** fields will be different.



The **Media** tab for the group of terminating channels is shown below. The configuration is like the one for the group of originating channels except for the **Source IP Address** field.



6.2.2.2 Configure Terminating Channels – H.323 Endpoints

To terminate the calls to H.323 endpoints follow the instructions described in [2], specifically:

- **Section 5.3** describes how to configure H.323 stations on Communication Manager.
- Section 6.2.2.1 describes how to configure terminating H.323 endpoints on Hammer IP.
- **Section 6.2.3** describes the PhoneBook configuration for routing calls to H.323 endpoints.
- **Section 6.4** describes how to use the PhoneBook when running a test script.

The configuration described in all the aforementioned sections of [2] must be completed for terminating calls to H.323 endpoints.

6.2.2.3 Configure Terminating Channels – SIP Trunks

To terminate the calls to SIP trunks follow the instructions described in [3], specifically:

- Section 5 describes how to configure call routing on Communication Manager.
- Section 6 describes how to configure SIP trunks to Hammer IP on Session Manager.
- Section 7.2.2.1 describes how to configure terminating SIP trunks on Hammer IP.
- Section 7.4 describes how to specify the dialed digits when running a test script.

The configuration described in all the aforementioned sections of [3] must be completed for terminating calls to SIP trunks.

6.2.2.4 Configure Terminating Channels – SIP Endpoints

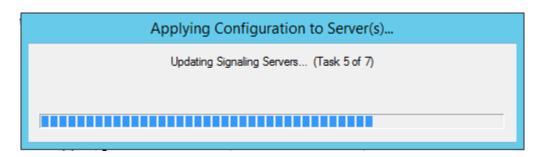
To terminate the calls to SIP endpoints follow the instructions described in [4], specifically:

- Section 5 describes how to configure SIP trunk to Session Manager, SIP stations, and call routing on Communication Manager.
- Section 6 describes how to configure Session Manager, including the SIP trunk to Communication Manager and SIP endpoints. This section needs to be configured in its entirety.
- Section 7.2.2.1 describes how to configure terminating SIP endpoints on Hammer IP.
- **Section 7.2.3** describes how to configure the PhoneBook.
- Section 7.4 describes how to disable the Do Connect Latency option (required) and how
 to specify the dialed digits when running a test script.

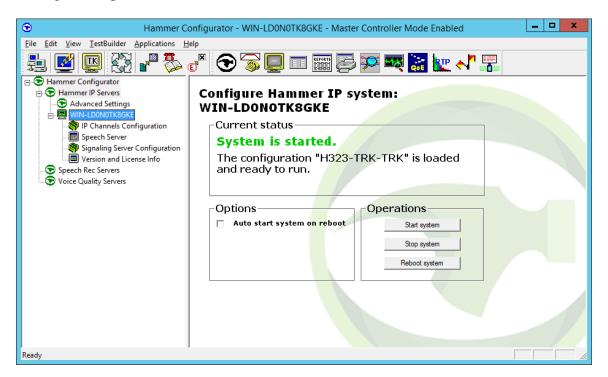
The configuration described in all the aforementioned sections of [4] must be completed for terminating calls to SIP endpoints.

6.3 Save and Apply the Hammer IP Configuration

This completes the configuration of Hammer IP. This configuration should be saved by clicking the **Save** button on the **Hammer Configurator** window. The configuration needs to be applied to the server for the changes to take effect. Click on the **Apply** button in the **Hammer Configurator** window. The following window is displayed as the configuration is being applied to the server.



Check that the system has been started by clicking on the server name (e.g., WIN-LD0N0TK8GKE) in the left pane of the **Hammer Configurator**. If the current status is System Is Stopped, click the **Start system** button to start the system. When the system is started, it should appear as shown below and should also specify which configuration has been applied. The configuration performed above was saved as H323-TRK-TRK.

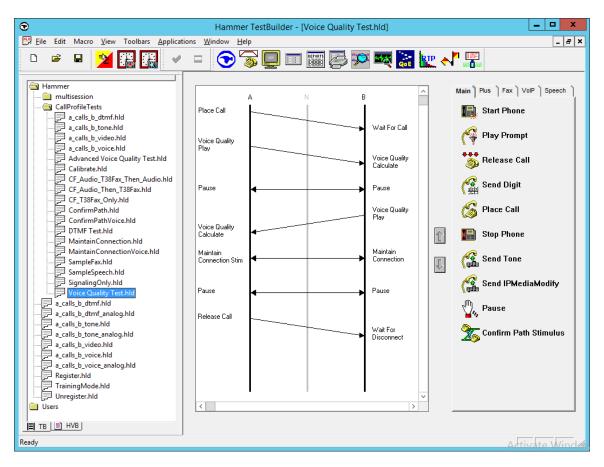


6.4 Configure and Run the Test Script

For the compliance test, two default test scripts were used:

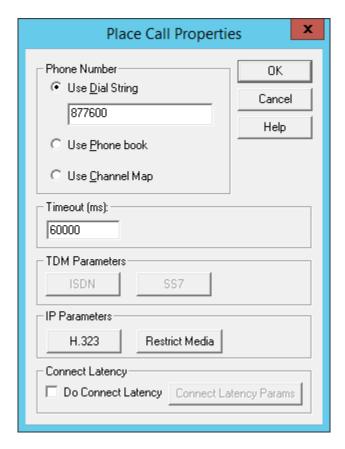
- a calls b dtmf.hld to verify DTMF
- Voice Quality Test.hld to verify voice quality

The sample test script, <code>Voice Quality Test.hld</code>, establishes a VoIP call between two H.323 trunks on Hammer IP, followed by the originating side playing an audio prompt to the far-end so that voice quality metrics (e.g., PESQ score) can be obtained. The test script is configured with the <code>Hammer TestBuilder</code> application and can be displayed in a ladder diagram as shown below by double-clicking on the test script name.

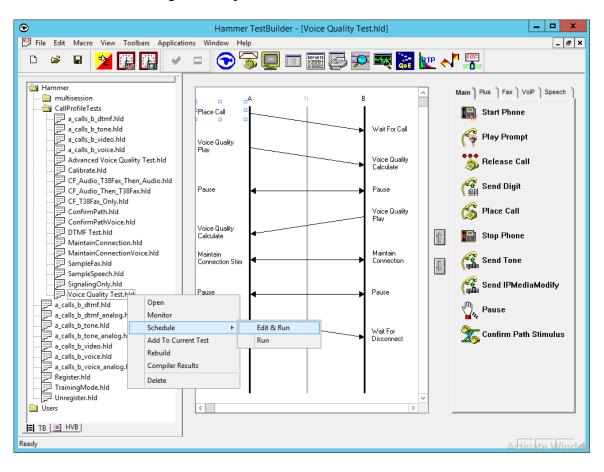


In the sample test script configured above, the A-side (originating H.323 trunk) places a call to the B-side (terminating H.323 trunk) using the **Place Call** action. The **Place Call** properties can be configured by double-clicking on the action in the ladder diagram. The **Place Call Properties** is configured to dial the same digits for every call. In this example, the Hammer IP dials the AAR access code '8' followed by "77600".

Note: Disable Do Connect Latency option in the Place Call Properties window.

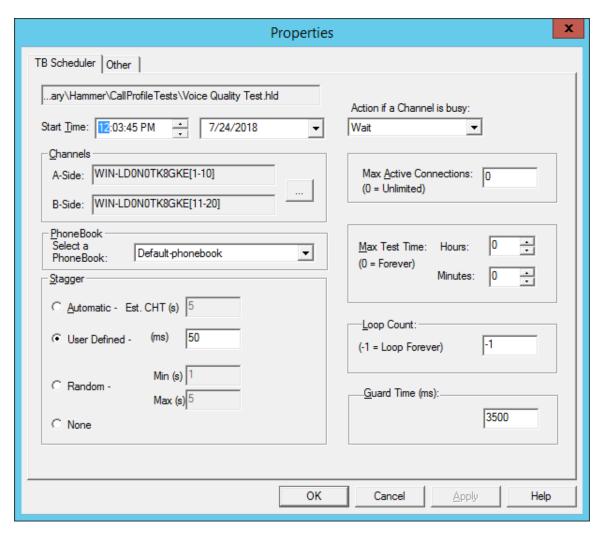


To run the test, right-mouse click on the test script in the left pane of the **Hammer TestBuilder** window and navigate to **Schedule→Edit & Run**. To re-run the test, the user can simply select **Schedule→Run**, if no changes are required.



In the **Properties** window, click on the ellipses button (...) in the **Channels** section and assign channels to the **A-Side** and **B-Side**. Set the **Loop Count** to the appropriate value to control the number of iterations the test should run. Setting this field to -1 will allow the test to run forever. Setting this field to a specific number will run the test for the many iterations and then stop. The **Guard Time** (**ms**) field specifies how long to wait before the test is run again on the same channel. The minimum setting should be 3500. The **Stagger** section allows the user to specify how long to wait before the test is run on the next channel. Click **OK**.

Important Note: The **Guard Time** and **Stagger** parameters should be carefully considered for every test. A test script could fail because the configuration under test cannot handle the load generated by the Hammer IP. These parameters can slow down the test to a rate that can be reasonably handled by the test configuration.



7 Verification Steps

This section provides the tests that can be performed to verify proper configuration of Avaya Aura® Communication Manager and Empirix Hammer IP.

7.1 Verify Avaya Aura® Communication Manager

Verify that the H.323 signaling channels are *in-service* using the **status signaling-group** command as shown below. Repeat for both signaling groups.

```
status signaling-group 71
STATUS SIGNALING GROUP

Group ID: 71
Active NCA-TSC Count: 0
Group Type: h.323
Active CA-TSC Count: 0

Group State: in-service
```

Verify that the H.323 trunks to Hammer IP are in *in-service/idle* using the **status trunk** command as shown below. This command only requires the trunk group number. Repeat for both trunk groups.

status trunk 71							
	TRUNK GROUP STATUS						
Member	Port	Service State	Mtce Connected Ports Busy				
0071/001 0071/002 0071/003 0071/004 0071/005 0071/006 0071/007 0071/008	T00050 T00051 T00052 T00053 T00054 T00055	in-service/idle in-service/idle in-service/idle in-service/idle in-service/idle in-service/idle in-service/idle	no				
0071/009 0071/010		in-service/idle in-service/idle	no no				

While Hammer IP is running a test script, the **status trunk** command may be used to view the active call status. This command requires that the trunk member on the call be specified.

```
status trunk 71/1

TRUNK STATUS

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TRUNK STATUS

Trunk Group/Member: 0071/001

Port: T00049

Service State: in-service/active

Maintenance Busy? no

CA-TSC state: none

IGAR Connection? no

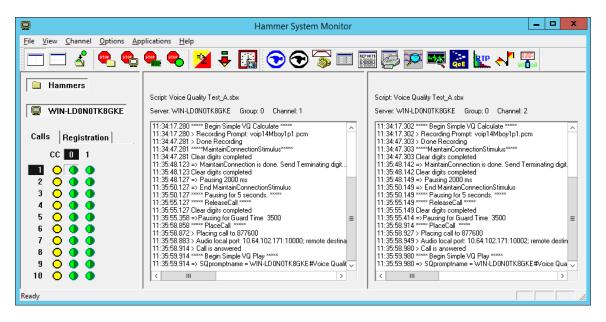
Connected Ports: T00060
```

Page 2 of the **status trunk** command indicates the codec being used for the call and whether the call is shuffled. When the call is shuffled, **Audio Connection Type** would be set to *ip-direct*, if not, the field would be set to *ip-tdm* as shown below.

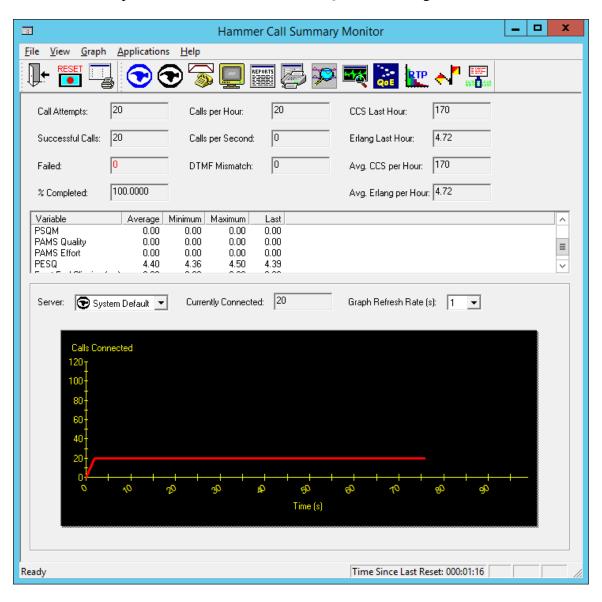
```
status trunk 71/1
                                                            Page
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                              CALL CONTROL SIGNALING
Near-end Signaling Loc: PROCR
 Signaling IP Address
                                                   Port
  Near-end: 10.64.102.115
                                                  : 1720
   Far-end: 10.64.102.171
                                                  : 44476
H.245 Near:
 H.245 Far:
  H.245 Signaling Loc:
                             H.245 Tunneled in 0.931? no
Audio Connection Type: ip-tdm
                                   Authentication Type: None
   Near-end Audio Loc: MG1
                                            Codec Type: G.711MU
  Audio IP Address
                                                   Port
  Near-end: 10.64.50.55
                                                 : 2068
   Far-end: 10.64.102.171
                                                 : 10000
Video Near:
 Video Far:
Video Port:
 Video Near-end Codec:
                                   Video Far-end Codec:
```

7.2 Verify Empirix Hammer IP

Call progress can be seen in the **Hammer System Monitor**. The call log for an originating channel may be logged to the left window and the call log for a terminating channel may be logged to the right window.



The **Hammer Call Summary Monitor** may be used to get a test status overview, including the number of call attempts, number of failed calls, PESQ scores, amongst other useful metrics.



8 Conclusion

These Application Notes describe the configuration steps required to integrate Empirix Hammer IP with Avaya Aura® Communication Manager using H.323 trunk emulation. Hammer IP was able to successfully establish calls through Communication Manager to H.323 and SIP endpoints/trunks, generate voice quality metrics, monitor the calls, and generate reports. All feature and serviceability test cases were completed with observations noted in **Section 2.2**.

9 References

This section references the product documentation relevant to these Application Notes.

- [1] *Administering Avaya Aura*® *Communication Manager*, Release 7.1.3, Issue 7, May 2018, available at http://support.avaya.com.
- [2] Application Notes for Empirix Hammer IP with Avaya Aura® Communication Manager using H.323 Endpoint Emulation, Issue 1.0, available at http://www.avaya.com.
- [3] Application Notes for Empirix Hammer IP with Avaya Aura® Communication Manager and Avaya Aura® Session Manager using SIP Trunk Emulation, Issue 1.0, available at http://www.avaya.com.
- [4] Application Notes for Empirix Hammer IP with Avaya Aura® Communication Manager and Avaya Aura® Session Manager using SIP Endpoint Emulation, Issue 1.0, available at http://www.avaya.com.

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