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"ravishk" <ravishk@xxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message
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I am using a simple application that creates a socket and sends UDP data on a WinCE 6.0 BSP on 250 MHz ARM. What was observed that for different data rates, the measured CPU load turned out to be pretty much high as mentioned in the table below:

Desired Throughput (Kbps)	CPU load (Stack Loopback)	CPU load (Send to a particular IP Address (127.0.0.1))
10	10 %	7 %
100	11 %	7 %
400	18 %	14 %
800	27 %	23 %
1000	31 %	27 %

I doubted the NDIS miniport implementation for taking so much of a CPU load in a send call but the Stack level loopback using IP address 127.0.0.1 (when my NDIS Miniport send functions are not called) take much more CPU load. In there something wrong in the way I am sending and receiving packets in my application or the miniport NDIS. We are targetting an application that sends A/V streams at constant bitrate (varying from 100Kbps – 1Mbps) UDP

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packets.

We are using blocking socket calls and our concern is the CPU loading.

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Winsock stress tests also showed a 100 % CPU load all the time.

Will Overlapped IO, non blocking sockets will aid in lowering the CPU utilization?

Why should a sendto() call for 127.0.0.1 should take so much of a CPU load.

Thanks.