

Riverbed's Steelhead Family

Acceleration Applications for the Global Workforce

Companies of all sizes depend on the Riverbed Steelhead product family to accelerate the performance of applications over the WAN.

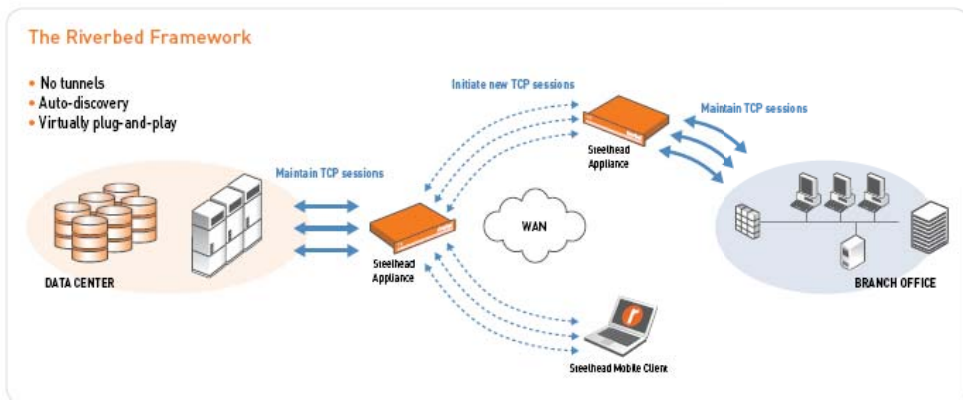
Steelhead appliances and Steelhead Mobile deliver the highest performing and most scalable WDS solution available, overcoming both bandwidth and latency problems to deliver LAN-like performance to branch offices or mobile workers across the globe.

With Riverbed, users are more productive, data moves faster and applications perform seamlessly. Riverbed Technology brings the world closer, changing the way people work.

Riverbed Steelhead products accelerate application performance and data transfer over the wide area network (WAN), overcoming bandwidth and geographical limitations to improve productivity and enable global collaboration. With Riverbed, file transfers that once took hours or minutes, now take minutes or seconds.

Workers today need access to information wherever and whenever they work – whether at corporate headquarters, a branch office on another continent, or on-site with a customer. The demand for anywhere / anytime access to data puts tremendous strain on IT to deliver an increasing number of applications over the WAN.

Riverbed's award-winning wide-area data services (WDS) solutions strategically enable IT to centralize and reduce operational overhead and expense, while improving enduser satisfaction. Riverbed's products have been proven in some of the most demanding and complex networks in the world, with thousands of customers deploying Steelhead WDS solutions.



Product Datasheet



Key Benefits:

- Acceleration of key enterprise applications
- IT infrastructure consolidation
- Reduced bandwidth utilization
- Enhanced data protection
- Secure application acceleration
- Enable the mobile workforce

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- **Steelhead products accelerate all TCP-based applications through a multi-tiered optimization approach.**
- **Riverbed delivers specific application acceleration modules for CIFS, MAPI, HTTP/HTTPS, NFS, and MS-SQL.**
- **An easy-to-use GUI provides dashboard visibility of WAN traffic and optimization status.**

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The Riverbed Difference: Speed, Scalability, Simplicity

Speed

Riverbed Steelhead products address performance limitations using a multi-tiered optimization approach. Unlike older generation technologies, such as wide area file services (WAFS) or file caching, Steelhead products optimize traffic using a patented application agnostic algorithm to achieve massive-scale data deduplication. The Riverbed solution layers TCP and application protocol optimization on top of its data reduction technique to deliver a multi-tiered optimization strategy that sets the technological high-bar for WDS, and delivers unparalleled application acceleration over the WAN.

Scalability

Riverbed's universal data store provides greater scalability than per-peer storage models and reduces WAN optimization storage requirements. By avoiding the per-peer storage limitation, companies can easily scale to hundreds of sites with any-to-any connectivity. Steelhead products also utilize a TCP-based transport, which avoids the pitfalls of running a proprietary transport on a shared network. The Steelhead product family supports up to 4Gbps of throughput and one million concurrent connections. The product family is one of the most scalable in the industry.

Simplicity

Companies can deploy Steelhead products in a matter of minutes. Steelhead deployments can be performed from a single console with virtually plug-and-play installations, and the Riverbed solution does not require any changes to clients and servers nor the use of specific routing protocols. Steelhead products have been proven in a broad range of network environments alongside VoIP, video conferencing, and QoS, giving customers flexibility and seamless integration with the existing infrastructure.

Technological Leadership to Enable Your Business

Riverbed Steelhead products have been proven to dramatically accelerate application performance in some of the most demanding customer environments. Our customers range from the Fortune 50 and Global 1000, to companies with one office.

Riverbed's award-winning products have consistently proven themselves as the highest performing WDS solutions, earning recognition as the "Technology of the Year - WAN Accelerators" by InfoWorld for five years running (2005-2009) and has been positioned by Gartner in the leaders quadrant in the "WAN Optimization Controller (WOC) Magic Quadrant*."



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