## ABSTRACT

There are some deficiencies on the implementation of distributed controller (activebackup) architecture in SDN network, such as limited load on the controller. If the controller is overloaded, the performance of a network decreases so that the architecture does not have the ability to manage a larger network. This will affect the reliability and scalability of the network. Therefore, a solution is needed to overcome this problem. This study proposes distributed controller (active-active) method. This architecture allows all active controllers to work together to manage a network simultaneously. Based on performance comparison tests between distributed controllers (active-active) and distributed controllers (active-backup), it can be seen that distributed controllers with active-active methods affect network performance with a throughput difference of 7.9% greater by using background traffic. In CPU usage testing, distributed controllers (active-active) gets a number 9% lower than the distributed controller (active-backup). Whereas, in failover-time testing on distributed controller (active-active) gets 19.75 faster than the distributed controller (active-backup). Based on the results of the test, it can be concluded that the distributed controller (active-active) affects the reliability and scalability of the network.

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