



Cisco IOS Scripting with TCL Configuration Guide

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Effective Cisco IOS XE Release 3.7.0E (for Catalyst Switching) and Cisco IOS XE Release 3.17S (for Access and Edge Routing) the two releases evolve (merge) into a single version of converged release—the Cisco IOS XE 16—providing one release covering the extensive range of access and edge products in the Switching and Routing portfolio.



Note

The Feature Information table in the technology configuration guide mentions when a feature was introduced. It might or might not mention when other platforms were supported for that feature. To determine if a particular feature is supported on your platform, look at the technology configuration guides posted on your product landing page. When a technology configuration guide is displayed on your product landing page, it indicates that the feature is supported on that platform.



CHAPTER 2

Cisco IOS XE Scripting with Tcl

The Cisco IOS XE Scripting with Tcl feature provides the ability to run Tool Command Language (Tcl) version 8.3.4 commands from the Cisco IOS XE command-line interface (CLI).

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Finding Feature Information

Your software release may not support all the features documented in this module. For the latest caveats and feature information, see [Bug Search Tool](#) and the release notes for your platform and software release. To find information about the features documented in this module, and to see a list of the releases in which each feature is supported, see the feature information table.

Use Cisco Feature Navigator to find information about platform support and Cisco software image support. To access Cisco Feature Navigator, go to www.cisco.com/go/cfn. An account on Cisco.com is not required.

Prerequisites for Cisco IOS XE Scripting with Tcl

- Familiarity with Tcl programming and Cisco IOS XE commands is assumed.
- Tcl commands can be executed from the Tcl configuration mode using the Cisco IOS XE CLI. Tcl configuration mode, like global configuration mode, is accessed from privileged EXEC mode. Access to privileged EXEC mode should be managed by restricting access using the **enable** command password.

Restrictions for Cisco IOS XE Scripting with Tcl

- If Cisco IOS XE configuration commands are used within the Tcl scripts, submode commands must be entered as quoted arguments on the same line as the configuration command.
- Error messages are provided, but you must check that the Tcl script will run successfully because errors may cause the Tcl shell to run in an infinite loop.



Caution

The use of Tcl server sockets to listen to telnet and FTP ports (23 and 21 respectively) will preempt the normal handling of these ports in Cisco IOS XE software.

- The table below lists Tcl commands and library calls that do not behave within Cisco IOS XE software as documented in standard Tcl documents.

Table 1: Tcl Command Options That Behave Differently in Cisco IOS XE Software

Command	Keyword	Argument	Supported	Comments
after	ms	<i>script</i>	Partially	When the CLI tclsh command is used, there is no event loop implemented unless Embedded Syslog Manager (ESM) is active on the same router. Commands entered using the after Tcl command will not run unless forced using the update command. Sleep mode (the after command) works only with the ms keyword.
file	-time	<i>atime</i>	No	The optional -time keyword to set the file access time is not supported in Cisco IOS XE software.

Command	Keyword	Argument	Supported	Comments
file	-time	<i>mtime</i>	No	The optional -time keyword to set the file modification time is not supported in Cisco IOS XE software.
fileevent			Partially	When the CLI tcsh command is used, there is no event loop implemented unless Embedded Syslog Manager (ESM) is active on the same router. Commands entered using the fileevent Tcl command will not run unless forced using the update command.
history	! n		Partially	The ! n shortcut does not work in Cisco IOS XE software. Use the history Tcl command with the redo n keyword.
load			No	When the CLI load command is used, an error message stating “dynamic loading not available on this system” is displayed.

Information About Cisco IOS XE Scripting with Tcl

Tcl Shell for Cisco IOS XE Software

The Cisco IOS XE Tcl shell was designed to allow customers to run Tcl commands directly from the Cisco IOS XE CLI prompt. Cisco IOS XE software does contain some subsystems such as Embedded Syslog Manager (ESM) and Interactive Voice Response (IVR) that use Tcl interpreters as part of their implementation. These subsystems have their own proprietary commands and keyword options that are not available in the Tcl shell.

Several methods have been developed for creating and running Tcl scripts within Cisco IOS XE software. A Tcl shell can be enabled, and Tcl commands can be entered line by line. After Tcl commands are entered, they are sent to a Tcl interpreter. If the commands are recognized as valid Tcl commands, the commands are executed and the results are sent to the tty. If a command is not a recognized Tcl command, it is sent to the Cisco IOS XE CLI parser. If the command is not a Tcl or Cisco IOS XE command, two error messages are displayed. A predefined Tcl script can be created outside of Cisco IOS XE software, transferred to flash or disk memory, and run within Cisco IOS XE software. It is also possible to create a Tcl script and precompile the code before running it under Cisco IOS XE software.

Multiple users on the same router can be in Tcl configuration mode at the same time without interference because each Tcl shell session launches a separate interpreter and Tcl server process. The tty interface number served by each Tcl process is represented in the server process name and can be displayed using the **show process** CLI command.

The Tcl shell can be used to run Cisco IOS XE CLI EXEC commands within a Tcl script. Using the Tcl shell to run CLI commands allows customers to build menus to guide novice users through tasks, to automate repetitive tasks, and to create custom output for **show** commands.

Tcl Precompiler

The Cisco IOS XE Tcl implementation offers support for loading scripts that have been precompiled by the TclPro precompiler. Precompiled scripts allow a measure of security and consistency because they are obfuscated.

SNMP MIB Object Access

Designed to make access to Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP) MIB objects easier, a set of UNIX-like SNMP commands has been created. The Tcl shell is enabled either manually or by using a Tcl script, and the new commands can be entered to allow you to perform specified get and set actions on MIB objects. To increase usability, the new commands have names similar to those used for UNIX SNMP access. To access the SNMP commands go to, [Using the Tcl Shell to Access SNMP MIB Objects](#), on page 12.

Custom Extensions in the Tcl Shell

The Cisco IOS XE implementation of the Tcl shell contains some custom command extensions. These extensions operate only under Tcl configuration mode. The table below displays these command extensions.

Table 2: Cisco IOS XE Custom Tcl Command Extensions

Command	Description
ios_config	Runs a Cisco IOS XE CLI configuration command.
log_user	Toggles Tcl command output under Tcl configuration mode.
typeahead	Writes text to the router standard input (stdin) buffer file.
tclquit	Leave Tcl shell--synonym for exit .

SNMP MIB Custom Extensions in the Tcl Shell

The Cisco IOS XE implementation of the Tcl shell contains some custom command extensions for SNMP MIB object access. These extensions operate only under Tcl configuration mode. The table below displays these command extensions.

Table 3: Cisco IOS XE Custom Tcl Command Extensions for SNMP MIB Access

Command	Description
snmp_getbulk	<p>Retrieves a large section of a MIB table. This command is similar to the SNMP getbulk command. The syntax is in the following format:</p> <pre>snmp_getbulk <i>community-string non-repeaters max-repetitions oid [oid2 oid3...]</i></pre> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use the <i>community-string</i> argument to specify the SNMP community from which the objects will be retrieved. • Use the <i>non-repeaters</i> argument to specify the number of objects that can be retrieved with a get-next operation. • Use the <i>max-repetitions</i> argument to specify the maximum number of get-next operations to attempt while trying to retrieve the remaining objects. • Use the <i>oid</i> argument to specify the object ID(s) to retrieve.

Command	Description
snmp_getid	<p>Retrieves the following variables from the SNMP entity on the router:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • sysDescr.0 • sysObjectID.0 • sysUpTime.0 • sysContact.0 • sysName.0 • sysLocation.0 <p>This command is similar to the SNMP getid command. The syntax is in the following format:</p> <p>snmp_getid <i>community-string</i></p>
snmp_getnext	<p>Retrieves a set of individual variables from the SNMP entity on the router. This command is similar to the SNMP getnext command. The syntax is in the following format:</p> <p>snmp_getnext <i>community-string oid [oid2 oid3...]</i></p>
snmp_getone	<p>Retrieves a set of individual variables from the SNMP entity on the router. This command is similar to the SNMP getone command. The syntax is in the following format:</p> <p>snmp_getone <i>community-string oid [oid2 oid3...]</i></p>

Command	Description
snmp_setany	<p>Retrieves the current values of the specified variables and then performs a set request on the variables. This command is similar to the SNMP setany command. The syntax is in the following format:</p> <p>snmp_setany <i>community-string oid type val [oid2 type2 val2...]</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use the <i>type</i> argument to specify the type of object to retrieve. The <i>type</i> can be one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • -i--Integer. A 32-bit number used to specify a numbered type within the context of a managed object. For example, to set the operational status of a router interface, 1 represents up and 2 represents down. • -u--Unsigned32. A 32-bit number used to represent decimal values in the range from 0 to 2³² - 1 inclusive. • -c--Counter32. A 32-bit number with a minimum value of 0 and a maximum value of 2³² - 1. When the maximum value is reached, the counter resets to 0 and starts again. • -g--Gauge. A 32-bit number with a minimum value of 0 and a maximum value of 2³² - 1. The number can increase or decrease at will. For example, the interface speed on a router is measured using a gauge object type. • -o--Octet string. An octet string--in hex notation--used to represent physical addresses. • -d--Display string. An octet string--in text notation--used to represent text strings. • -ipv4--IP version 4 address. • -oid--Object ID. • Use the <i>val</i> argument to specify the value of object ID(s) to retrieve.

How to Configure Cisco IOS XE Scripting with Tcl

Enabling the Tcl Shell and Using the CLI to Enter Commands

Perform this task to enable the interactive Tcl shell and to enter Tcl commands line by line through the Cisco IOS XE CLI prompt. Optional steps include specifying a default location for encoding files and specifying an initialization script.

SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **scripting tcl enddir** *location-url*
4. **scripting tcl init** *init-url*
5. **scripting tcl low-memory** *bytes*
6. **exit**
7. **tclsh**
8. Enter the required Tcl command language syntax.
9. **ios_config** " *cmd* " " *cmd-option* "
10. **exec** " *exec-cmd* "
11. **exit**

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable Example: Router> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enter your password if prompted.
Step 2	configure terminal Example: Router# configure terminal	(Optional) Enters global configuration mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Perform Enabling the Tcl Shell and Using the CLI to Enter Commands through Enabling the Tcl Shell and Using the CLI to Enter Commands if you are using encoding files, an initialization script, or both.
Step 3	scripting tcl enddir <i>location-url</i> Example: Router(config)# scripting tcl enddir tftp://10.18.117.23/enctcl/	(Optional) Specifies the default location of external encoding files used by the Tcl encoding command.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 4	scripting tcl init <i>init-url</i> Example: <pre>Router(config)# scripting tcl init ftp://user:password@172.17.40.3/tclscript/initfiles3.tcl</pre>	(Optional) Specifies an initialization script to run when the Tcl shell is enabled.
Step 5	scripting tcl low-memory <i>bytes</i> Example: <pre>Router(config)# scripting tcl low-memory 33117513</pre>	(Optional) Specifies a low water memory mark for free memory for Tcl-based applications. The memory threshold can be set anywhere between 0-4294967295 bytes. Note If minimum free RAM drops below this threshold, TCL aborts the current script. This prevents the Tcl interpreter from allocating too much RAM and crashing the router.
Step 6	exit Example: <pre>Router(config)# exit</pre>	(Optional) Exits global configuration mode and returns to privileged EXEC mode.
Step 7	tclsh Example: <pre>Router# tclsh</pre>	Enables the interactive Tcl shell and enters Tcl configuration mode.
Step 8	Enter the required Tcl command language syntax. Example: <pre>Router(tcl)# proc get_bri {}</pre>	Commands entered in Tcl configuration mode are sent first to the interactive Tcl interpreter. If the command is not a valid Tcl command, it is then sent to the CLI parser.
Step 9	ios_config " <i>cmd</i> " " <i>cmd-option</i> " Example: <pre>Router(tcl)# ios_config "interface Ethernet 2/0" "no keepalive"</pre>	(Optional) Modifies the router configuration using a Tcl script by specifying the Tcl command ios_config with CLI commands and options. All arguments and submode commands must be entered on the same line as the CLI configuration command. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> In this example, the first argument in quotes configures an Ethernet interface and enters interface configuration mode. The second argument in quotes sets the keepalive option. If these two CLI statements were entered on separate Tcl command lines, the configuration would not work.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 10	exec “ <i>exec-cmd</i> ” Example: Router(tcl)# exec “show interfaces”	(Optional) Executes Cisco IOS XE CLI EXEC mode commands from a Tcl script by specifying the Tcl command exec with the CLI commands. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In this example, interface information for the router is displayed.
Step 11	exit Example: Router(tcl)# exit	Exits Tcl configuration mode and returns to privileged EXEC mode.

Examples

The following sample partial output shows information about Ethernet interface 0 on the router. The **show interfaces** command has been executed from Tcl configuration mode.

```
Router# tclsh
Router(tcl)# exec "show interfaces"
Ethernet 0 is up, line protocol is up
  Hardware is MCI Ethernet, address is 0000.0c00.750c (bia 0000.0c00.750c)
  Internet address is 10.108.28.8, subnet mask is 255.255.255.0
  MTU 1500 bytes, BW 10000 Kbit, DLY 100000 usec, rely 255/255, load 1/255
  Encapsulation ARPA, loopback not set, keepalive set (10 sec)
  ARP type: ARPA, ARP Timeout 4:00:00
  Last input 0:00:00, output 0:00:00, output hang never
  Last clearing of "show interface" counters 0:00:00
  Output queue 0/40, 0 drops; input queue 0/75, 0 drops
  Five minute input rate 0 bits/sec, 0 packets/sec
  Five minute output rate 2000 bits/sec, 4 packets/sec
    1127576 packets input, 447251251 bytes, 0 no buffer
    Received 354125 broadcasts, 0 runts, 0 giants, 57186* throttles
    0 input errors, 0 CRC, 0 frame, 0 overrun, 0 ignored, 0 abort
    5332142 packets output, 496316039 bytes, 0 underruns
    0 output errors, 432 collisions, 0 interface resets, 0 restarts
  .
  .
  .
```

Troubleshooting Tips

Use the Tcl **puts** command in a Tcl script to trace command execution.

Using the Tcl Shell to Access SNMP MIB Objects

Perform this optional task to enable the interactive Tcl shell and enter Tcl commands to perform actions on MIB objects.

Before You Begin

The SNMP community configuration must exist in the running configuration of the router.

SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **scripting tcl encdir** *location-url*
4. **scripting tcl init** *init-url*
5. **exit**
6. **tclsh**
7. Enter the required Tcl command language syntax.
8. **snmp_getbulk** *community-string non-repeaters max-repetitions oid [oid2 oid3...]*
9. **snmp_getid** *community-string*
10. **snmp_getnext** *community-string oid [oid2 oid3...]*
11. **snmp_getone** *community-string oid [oid2 oid3...]*
12. **snmp_setany** *community-string oid type val [oid2 type2 val2...]*
13. **exit**

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable Example: Router> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enter your password if prompted.
Step 2	configure terminal Example: Router# configure terminal	(Optional) Enters global configuration mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Perform Using the Tcl Shell to Access SNMP MIB Objects through Using the Tcl Shell to Access SNMP MIB Objects Perform Step 2 through Step 5 if you are using encoding files, an initialization script, or both.
Step 3	scripting tcl encdir <i>location-url</i> Example: Router(config)# scripting tcl encdir tftp://10.18.117.23/enctcl/	(Optional) Specifies the default location of external encoding files used by the Tcl encoding command.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 4	scripting tcl init <i>init-url</i> Example: <pre>Router(config)# scripting tcl init ftp://user:password@172.17.40.3/tclscript/initfiles3.tcl</pre>	(Optional) Specifies an initialization script to run when the Tcl shell is enabled.
Step 5	exit Example: <pre>Router(config)# exit</pre>	(Optional) Exits global configuration mode and returns to privileged EXEC mode.
Step 6	tclsh Example: <pre>Router# tclsh</pre>	Enables the interactive Tcl shell and enters Tcl configuration mode.
Step 7	Enter the required Tcl command language syntax. Example: <pre>Router(tcl)# proc get_bri {}</pre>	Commands entered in Tcl configuration mode are sent first to the interactive Tcl interpreter. If the command is not a valid Tcl command, it is sent to the CLI parser.
Step 8	snmp_getbulk <i>community-string non-repeaters max-repetitions oid [oid2 oid3...]</i> Example: <pre>Router(tcl)# snmp_getbulk public 1 3 1.3.6.1.2.1.1.1 1.3.6.1.2.1.10.18.8.1.1</pre>	(Optional) Retrieves a large section of a MIB table. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use the <i>community-string</i> argument to specify the SNMP community from which the objects will be retrieved. • Use the <i>non-repeaters</i> argument to specify the number of objects that can be retrieved with a get-next operation. • Use the <i>max-repetitions</i> argument to specify the maximum number of get-next operations to attempt while trying to retrieve the remaining objects. • Use the <i>oid</i> argument to specify the object ID(s) to retrieve.
Step 9	snmp_getid <i>community-string</i> Example: <pre>Router(tcl)# snmp_getid private</pre>	(Optional) Retrieves the following variables from the SNMP entity on the router: sysDescr.0, sysObjectID.0, sysUpTime.0, sysContact.0, sysName.0, and sysLocation.0. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use the <i>community-string</i> argument to specify the SNMP community from which the objects will be retrieved.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 10	<p><code>snmp_getnext community-string oid [oid2 oid3...]</code></p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>Router(tcl)# snmp_getnext public 1.3.6.1.2.1.1.1.0 1.3.6.1.2.1.1.2.0</pre>	<p>(Optional) Retrieves a set of individual variables from a MIB table.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use the <i>community-string</i> argument to specify the SNMP community from which the objects will be retrieved. • Use the <i>oid</i> argument to specify the object ID(s) to retrieve.
Step 11	<p><code>snmp_getone community-string oid [oid2 oid3...]</code></p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>Router(tcl)# snmp_getone public 1.3.6.1.2.1.1.1.0 1.3.6.1.2.1.1.2.0</pre>	<p>(Optional) Retrieves a set of individual variables from a MIB table.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use the <i>community-string</i> argument to specify the SNMP community from which the objects will be retrieved. • Use the <i>oid</i> argument to specify the object ID(s) to retrieve.
Step 12	<p><code>snmp_setany community-string oid type val [oid2 type2 val2...]</code></p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>Router(tcl)# snmp_setany private 1.3.6.1.2.1.1.5.0 -d TCL-SNMP_TEST</pre>	<p>(Optional) Retrieves current values of specified variables from a MIB table and then performs a set request on the variables.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use the <i>community-string</i> argument to specify the SNMP community from which the values of objects will be retrieved and then set. • Use the <i>oid</i> argument to specify the object ID(s) to retrieve and set. • Use the <i>type</i> argument to specify the type of object to retrieve and set. • Use the <i>val</i> argument to specify the value of the object to be retrieved and then set.
Step 13	<p><code>exit</code></p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>Router(tcl)# exit</pre>	<p>Exits Tcl configuration mode and returns to privileged EXEC mode.</p>

Troubleshooting Tips

Use the Tcl `puts` command in a Tcl script to trace command execution.

Running Predefined Tcl Scripts

Perform this optional task to run a predefined Tcl script in Cisco IOS XE software.

Before You Begin

Before performing this task, you must create a Tcl script that can run on Cisco IOS XE software. The Tcl script may be transferred to internal flash memory using any file system that the Cisco IOS XE file system (IFS) supports, including TFTP, FTP, and rcp. The Tcl script may also be sourced from a remote location.

SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **tclsh**
3. Enter the Tcl source command with the filename and path.
4. **exit**

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable Example: Router> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enter your password if prompted.
Step 2	tclsh Example: Router# tclsh	Enables the interactive Tcl shell and enters Tcl configuration mode.
Step 3	Enter the Tcl source command with the filename and path. Example: Router(tcl)# source slot0:test.tcl	Commands entered in Tcl configuration mode are sent first to the interactive Tcl interpreter. If the command is not a valid Tcl command, it is then sent to the CLI parser.
Step 4	exit Example: Router(tcl)# exit	Exits Tcl configuration mode and returns to privileged EXEC mode.

Configuration Examples for Cisco IOS XE Scripting with Tcl

Tcl Script Using the show interfaces Command Example

Using the Tcl regular expression engine, scripts can filter specific information from **show** commands and present it in a custom format. The following is an example of filtering the **show interfaces** command output and creating a comma-separated list of BRI interfaces on the router:

```
tclsh
proc get_bri {} {
    set check ""
    set int_out [exec "show interfaces"]
    foreach int [regexp -all -line -inline "(^BRI\[0-9\]/\[0-9\])" $int_out] {
        if ![string equal $check $int] {
            if {[info exists bri_out]} {
                append bri_out "," $int
            } else {
                set bri_out $int
            }
            set check $int
        }
    }
    return $bri_out
}
```

Tcl Script for SMTP Support Example

The following Tcl script is useful for sending e-mail messages from a router.

```
##
## Place required comments here!!!
##
package provide sendmail 2.0
# Sendmail procedure for Support
namespace eval ::sendmail {
    namespace export initialize configure sendmessage sendfile
    array set ::sendmail::sendmail {
        smtphost    mailhub
        from         ""
        friendly     ""
    }
    proc configure {} {}
    proc initialize {smtphost from friendly} {
        variable sendmail
        if {[string length $smtphost]} then {
            set sendmail(smtphost) $smtphost
        }
        if {[string length $from]} then {
            set sendmail(from) $from
        }
        if {[string length $friendly]} then {
            set sendmail(friendly) $friendly
        }
    }
    proc sendmessage {toList subject body {tcl_trace 0}} {
        variable sendmail
        set smtphost $sendmail(smtphost)
        set from $sendmail(from)
        set friendly $sendmail(friendly)
        if {$tcl_trace} then {
            puts stdout "Connecting to $smtphost:25"
        }
    }
}
```

```

    }
    set sockid [socket $smtp host 25]
## DEBUG
set status [catch {
    puts $sockid "HELO $smtp host"
    flush $sockid
    set result [gets $sockid]
    if {$trace} then {
        puts stdout "HELO $smtp host\n\t$result"
    }
    puts $sockid "MAIL From:<$from>"
    flush $sockid
    set result [gets $sockid]
    if {$trace} then {
        puts stdout "MAIL From:<$from>\n\t$result"
    }
    foreach to $toList {
        puts $sockid "RCPT To:<$to>"
        flush $sockid
    }
    set result [gets $sockid]
    if {$trace} then {
        puts stdout "RCPT To:<$to>\n\t$result"
    }
    puts $sockid "DATA "
    flush $sockid
    set result [gets $sockid]
    if {$trace} then {
        puts stdout "DATA \n\t$result"
    }
    puts $sockid "From: $friendly <$from>"
    foreach to $toList {
        puts $sockid "To:<$to>"
    }
    puts $sockid "Subject: $subject"
    puts $sockid "\n"
    foreach line [split $body "\n"] {
        puts $sockid "$line"
    }
    puts $sockid "."
    puts $sockid "QUIT"
    flush $sockid
    set result [gets $sockid]
    if {$trace} then {
        puts stdout "QUIT\n\t$result"
    }
} result]
catch {close $sockid }
if {$status} then {
    return -code error $result
}
return
}
proc sendfile {toList filename subject {tcl_trace 0}} {
    set fd [open $filename r]
    sendmessage $toList $subject [read $fd] $trace
    return
}
}

```

Tcl Script for SNMP MIB Access Examples

Using the Tcl shell, Tcl commands can perform actions on MIBs. The following example shows how to set up the community access strings to permit access to SNMP. Public access is read-only, but private access is read-write. The following example shows how to retrieve a large section of a table at once using the `snmp_getbulk` Tcl command extension.

Two arguments, *non-repeaters* and *max-repetitions*, must be set when an **snmp_getbulk** command is issued. The *non-repeaters* argument specifies that the first N objects are to be retrieved with a simple **snmp_getnext** operation. The *max-repetitions* argument specifies that up to M **snmp_getnext** operations are to be attempted to retrieve the remaining objects.

In this example, three bindings--**sysUpTime** (1.3.6.1.2.1.1.2.0), **ifDescr** (1.3.6.1.2.1.2.2.1.2), and **ifType** (1.3.6.1.2.1.2.2.1.3)--are used. The total number of variable bindings requested is given by the formula $N + (M * R)$, where N is the number of non-repeaters (in this example 1), M is the max-repetitions (in this example 5), and R is the number of request objects (in this case 2, **ifDescr** and **ifType**). Using the formula, $1 + (5 * 2)$ equals 11; and this is the total number of variable bindings that can be retrieved by this **snmp_getbulk** request command.

Sample results for the individual variables include a retrieved value of **sysUpTime.0** being 1336090, where the unit is in milliseconds. The retrieved value of **ifDescr.1** (the first interface description) is **FastEthernet0/0**, and the retrieved value of **ifType.1** (the first interface type) is 6, which corresponds to the **ethernetCsmacd** type.

```
snmp-server community public RO
snmp-server community private RW
tclsh
  snmp_getbulk public 1 5 1.3.6.1.2.1.1.2.0 1.3.6.1.2.1.2.2.1.2 1.3.6.1.2.1.2.2.1.3
  {<obj oid='sysUpTime.0' val='1336090'/>}
  {<obj oid='ifDescr.1' val='FastEthernet0/0'/>}
  {<obj oid='ifType.1' val='6'/>}
  {<obj oid='ifDescr.2' val='FastEthernet1/0'/>}
  {<obj oid='ifType.2' val='6'/>}
  {<obj oid='ifDescr.3' val='Ethernet2/0'/>}
  {<obj oid='ifType.3' val='6'/>}
  {<obj oid='ifDescr.4' val='Ethernet2/1'/>}
  {<obj oid='ifType.4' val='6'/>}
  {<obj oid='ifDescr.5' val='Ethernet2/2'/>}
  {<obj oid='ifType.5' val='6'/>}
```

The following example shows how to retrieve the **sysDescr.0**, **sysObjectID.0**, **sysUpTime.0**, **sysContact.0**, **sysName.0**, and **sysLocation.0** variables--in this example shown as **system.1.0**, **system.2.0**, **system.3.0**, **system.4.0**, **system.5.0**, and **system.6.0**--from the SNMP entity on the router using the **snmp_getid** Tcl command extension.

```
tclsh
  snmp_getid public
  {<obj oid='system.1.0' val='Cisco Internetwork Operating System Software
  Cisco IOS XE(tm) 7200 Software (C7200-IK9S-M), Experimental Version 12.3(20030507:225511)
  [geotpi2itdl 124]
  Copyright (c) 1986-2003 by Cisco Systems, Inc.
  Compiled Wed 21-May-03 16:16 by engineer'/>}
  {<obj oid='system.2.0' val='products.223'/>}
  {<obj oid='sysUpTime.0' val='6664317'/>}
  {<obj oid='system.4.0' val='1-800-553-2447 - phone the TAC'/>}
  {<obj oid='system.5.0' val='c7200.myCompany.com'/>}
  {<obj oid='system.6.0' val='Bldg 24, San Jose, CA'/>}
```

The following example shows how to retrieve a set of individual variables from the SNMP entity on the router using the **snmp_getnext** Tcl command extension:

```
snmp_getnext public 1.3.6.1.2.1.1.1.0 1.3.6.1.2.1.1.2.0
  {<obj oid='system.2.0' val='products.223'/>}
  {<obj oid='sysUpTime.0' val='6683320'/>}
```

The following example shows how to retrieve a set of individual variables from the SNMP entity on the router using the **snmp_getone** Tcl command extension:

```
snmp_getone public 1.3.6.1.2.1.1.1.0 1.3.6.1.2.1.1.2.0
  {<obj oid='system.1.0' val='Cisco Internetwork Operating System Software
  Cisco IOS XE(tm) 7200 Software (C7200-IK9S-M), Experimental Version 12.3(20030507:225511)
  [geotpi2itdl 124]
```

```
Copyright (c) 1986-2003 by Cisco Systems, Inc.
Compiled Wed 21-May-03 16:16 by engineer' />
{<obj oid='system.2.0' val='products.223' />}
```

The following example shows how to change something in the configuration of the router using the **snmp_setany** Tcl command extension. In this example, the hostname of the router is changed to TCLSNMP-HOST.

```
tclsh
snmp_setany private 1.3.6.1.2.1.1.5.0 -d TCLSNMP-HOST
{<obj oid='system.5.0' val='TCLSNMP-HOST' />}
```

Additional References

The following sections provide references related to the Signed Tcl Scripts feature.

Related Documents

Related Topic	Document Title
Cisco PKI Overview: Understanding and Planning a PKI Implementing and Managing a PKI	<i>Security Configuration Guide, Release 12.4</i>
PKI commands: complete command syntax, command mode, command history, defaults, usage guidelines, and examples.	<i>Cisco IOS Security Command Reference, Release 12.4</i>

Standards

Standard	Title
None	--

MIBs

MIB	MIBs Link
None	To locate and download MIBs for selected platforms, Cisco software releases, and feature sets, use Cisco MIB Locator found at the following URL: http://www.cisco.com/go/mibs

RFCs

RFC	Title
None	--

Technical Assistance

Description	Link
<p>The Cisco Support website provides extensive online resources, including documentation and tools for troubleshooting and resolving technical issues with Cisco products and technologies.</p> <p>To receive security and technical information about your products, you can subscribe to various services, such as the Product Alert Tool (accessed from Field Notices), the Cisco Technical Services Newsletter, and Really Simple Syndication (RSS) Feeds.</p> <p>Access to most tools on the Cisco Support website requires a Cisco.com user ID and password.</p>	<p>http://www.cisco.com/techsupport</p>

Feature Information for Cisco IOS XE Scripting with Tcl

The following table provides release information about the feature or features described in this module. This table lists only the software release that introduced support for a given feature in a given software release train. Unless noted otherwise, subsequent releases of that software release train also support that feature.

Use Cisco Feature Navigator to find information about platform support and Cisco software image support. To access Cisco Feature Navigator, go to www.cisco.com/go/cfn. An account on Cisco.com is not required.

Table 4: Feature Information for Cisco IOS XE Scripting with Tcl

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Information
Cisco IOS XE Scripting with Tcl	Cisco IOS XE	<p>The Cisco IOS XE Scripting with Tcl feature provides the ability to run Tool Command Language (Tcl) version 8.3.4 commands from the Cisco IOS XE command-line interface (CLI).</p> <p>In Cisco IOS XE Release 2.1, this feature was introduced on Cisco ASR 1000 Series Aggregation Services Routers.</p> <p>The following commands were introduced or modified: scripting tcl enmdir, scripting tcl init, scripting tcl low-memory, tclquit, tclsh.</p>

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Information
Tcl SNMP MIB Access	Cisco IOS XE	The Tcl SNMP MIB Access feature introduces a set of UNIX-like SNMP commands to make access to Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP) MIB objects easier.

Glossary

CA--certification authority. Service responsible for managing certificate requests and issuing certificates to participating IPsec network devices. This service provides centralized key management for the participating devices and is explicitly trusted by the receiver to validate identities and to create digital certificates.

certificates--Electronic documents that bind a user's or device's name to its public key. Certificates are commonly used to validate a digital signature.

CRL--certificate revocation list. Electronic document that contains a list of revoked certificates. The CRL is created and digitally signed by the CA that originally issued the certificates. The CRL contains dates for when the certificate was issued and when it expires. A new CRL is issued when the current CRL expires.

IPsec--IP security

peer certificate--Certificate presented by a peer, which contains the peer's public key and is signed by the trustpoint CA.

PKI--public key infrastructure. System that manages encryption keys and identity information for components of a network that participate in secured communications.

RA--registration authority. Server that acts as a proxy for the CA so that CA functions can continue when the CA is offline. Although the RA is often part of the CA server, the RA could also be an additional application, requiring an additional device to run it.

RSA keys--Public key cryptographic system developed by Ron Rivest, Adi Shamir, and Leonard Adleman. An RSA key pair (a public and a private key) is required before you can obtain a certificate for your device.

SHA1--Secure Hash Algorithm 1

SSH--secure shell

SSL--secure socket layer