

AIX Version 7.2

Files Reference



Note

Before using this information and the product it supports, read the information in [“Notices” on page 1115](#).

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About this document

This topic collection contains sections on the system files, special files, header files, and directories that are provided with the operating system and optional program products. File formats required for certain files that are generated by the system or by an optional program are also presented in this topic collection.

Highlighting

The following highlighting conventions are used in this document:

Bold	Identifies commands, subroutines, keywords, files, structures, directories, and other items whose names are predefined by the system. Bold highlighting also identifies graphical objects, such as buttons, labels, and icons that the you select.
<i>Italics</i>	Identifies parameters for actual names or values that you supply.
<code>Monospace</code>	Identifies examples of specific data values, examples of text similar to what you might see displayed, examples of portions of program code similar to what you might write as a programmer, messages from the system, or text that you must type.

Case sensitivity in AIX

Everything in the AIX® operating system is case sensitive, which means that it distinguishes between uppercase and lowercase letters. For example, you can use the **ls** command to list files. If you type LS, the system responds that the command is not found. Likewise, **FILEA**, **Filea**, and **filea** are three distinct file names, even if they reside in the same directory. To avoid causing undesirable actions to be performed, always ensure that you use the correct case.

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The AIX operating system is designed to support The Open Group's Single UNIX Specification Version 3 (UNIX 03) for portability of operating systems based on the UNIX operating system. Many new interfaces, and some current ones, have been added or enhanced to meet this specification. To determine the correct way to develop a UNIX 03 portable application, see The Open Group's UNIX 03 specification on The UNIX System website (<http://www.unix.org>).

What's new in Files Reference

Read about new or significantly changed information for the File Reference topic collection.

How to see what's new or changed

In this PDF file, you might see revision tags (>| and |<) surrounding new and changed information.

November 2020

The following information is a summary of updates made to this topic collection:

- Added information about the new library functions and symbolic constants in the [pthread.h File](#) topic.
- Added information about the *CRITVG* and *CRITPVS* fields under the *vg_data Stanza* section in the [image.data File](#) topic.
- Updated information about the *sysLocation* and *sysContact* variables. Also, added information about the *sysName* variable in the [“snmpd.conf File” on page 345](#) topic.

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The following information is a summary of updates made to this topic collection:

- Added information about the *submit.cf* file in the [“sendmail.cf and submit.cf File” on page 289](#) topic.

July 2019

The following information is a summary of the updates made to this topic collection:

- Added information about the tunable parameters settings file for the Server Message Block (SMB) client file system in the [smbctune.conf file](#) topic.

September 2018

The following information is a summary of the updates made to this topic collection:

- Added information about the *suid_profile* stanza in the [secvars.cfg File](#) topic.

System Files

The files in this section are system files. These files are created and maintained by the operating system and are necessary for the system to perform its many functions. System files are used by many

commands and subroutines to perform operations. These files can only be changed by a user with root authority.

A file is a collection of data that can be read from or written to. A file can be a program you create, text you write, data you acquire, or a device you use. Commands, printers, terminals, and application programs are all stored in files. This allows users to access diverse elements of the system in a uniform way and gives the operating system great flexibility. No format is implied when a file is created.

Files are used for all input and output (I/O) of information in this operating system. This standardizes access to both software and hardware. Input occurs when the content of a file is modified or written to. Output occurs when the content of one file is read or transferred to another file. For example, to create a hardcopy printout of a text file, the system reads the information from the text file and writes the data to the file representing the printer.

Collections of files are stored in directories. These collections of files are often related to each other, and storing them in a structure of directories keeps them organized.

There are many ways to create, use, and manipulate files. [Files in Operating system and device management](#) introduces the commands that control files.

Types of Files

There are three basic types of files:

File Type	Description
regular	Stores data (text, binary, and executable).
directory	Contains information used to access other files.
special	Defines a FIFO (first-in, first-out) file or a physical device.

All file types recognized by the system fall into one of these categories. However, the operating system uses many variations of these basic types.

Regular files are the most common. When a word processing program is used to create a document, both the program and the document are contained in regular files.

Regular files contain either text or binary information. Text files are readable by the user. Binary files are readable by the computer. Binary files can be executable files that instruct the system to accomplish a job. Commands, shell scripts, and other programs are stored in executable files.

Directories contain information the system needs to access all types of files, but they do not contain the actual file data. As a result, directories occupy less space than a regular file and give the file-system structure flexibility and depth. Each directory entry represents either a file or subdirectory and contains the name of a file and the file's i-node (index node reference) number. The i-node number represents the unique i-node that describes the location of the data associated with the file. Directories are created and controlled by a separate set of commands.

Special files define devices for the system or temporary files created by processes. There are three basic types of special files: FIFO (first-in, first-out), block, and character. FIFO files are also called pipes. Pipes are created by one process to temporarily allow communication with another process. These files cease to exist when the first process finishes. Block and character files define devices.

Every file has a set of permissions (called access modes) that determine who can read, modify, or execute the file. To learn more about file access modes, see [File ownership and user groups](#) in *Operating system and device management*.

File-Naming Conventions

The name of each file must be unique within the directory where it is stored. This insures that the file also has a unique path name in the file system. File-naming guidelines are:

- A file name can be up to 255 characters long and can contain letters, numbers, and underscores.

- The operating system is case-sensitive which means it distinguishes between uppercase and lowercase letters in file names. Therefore, FILEA, FiLea, and filea are three distinct file names, even if they reside in the same directory.
- File names should be as descriptive as possible.
- Directories follow the same naming conventions as files.
- Certain characters have special meaning to the operating system, and should be avoided when naming files. These characters include the following:

```
/ \ " ' * ; - ? [ ] ( ) ~ ! $ { } < > # @ & |
```

- A file name is hidden from a normal directory listing if it begins with a . (dot). When the **ls** command is entered with the **-a** flag, the hidden files are listed along with regular files and directories.

The path name of a file consists of the name of every directory that precedes it in the file tree structure. Only the final component of a path name can contain the name of a regular file. All other components in a path name must be directories. Path names can be absolute or relative. See [File path names in Operating system and device management](#) to learn more about the complete name of a file within the file system.

Related information

[Files](#)

[Files, Directories, and File Systems for Programmers](#)

access_lists File

Purpose

Configures access control lists for the iSCSI target driver.

Description

The `access_lists` file is used to configure access control lists for the iSCSI target driver. You can use comments in the `access_lists` file. The comment character is "#", and must be the first character on the line.

This file contains one entry per target. Each entry has the following format:

```
target_name|lun_name iSCSI_name,iSCSI_name,...
```

target_name

The target ODM name on which access control is applied.

lun_name

The logical unit number (LUN) ODM name on which access control is applied.

iSCSI_name

The list of iSCSI names (iqn or eui format) of initiators that can access this target or LUN.

You can use two default keywords in this file:

all

Used for the **target_name** or **lun_name** field. It indicates that the Access Control List is the same for all targets and LUNs on the server. An entry containing **all** overrides other entries.

any

Used for the **iSCSI_name** field. It indicates that one target or LUN is visible by any initiator connecting to the server.

You can use the line continuation character backslash (\) to make each entry easier to read.



Attention: If an access list grants an initiator the access to a LUN, the access list must also explicitly grant the access to the target that owns the LUN.

Files

Item	Description
/etc/tmisci/ access_lists	Configures Access Control Lists.

acct.cfg File

Purpose

The **acct.cfg** file consists of CA stanzas and LDAP stanzas. The CA stanzas contain private CA information not suitable for the publicly readable **ca.cfg** file. LDAP stanzas contain LDAP information such as LDAP administrative names and passwords.

Description

For every CA stanza in the **ca.cfg** file, the **acct.cfg** file should contain an equivalently named CA stanza, and all CA stanzas must be uniquely named. On the other hand, all LDAP stanzas are named **ldap**. For this reason, a CA stanza cannot be named **ldap**. Also, no stanza can be named **default**. An LDAP stanza must exist and at least one CA stanza, named **local** must exist.

Examples

```
*****
* CA Stanzas:
*
* carefnum      Specifies the CA's reference number used while communicating
*               with the CA through CMP. This value must be the same value as
*               the one that is specified while configuring the CA. (Required)
*
* capasswd      Specifies the CA's password used while communicating with
*               the CA. The length of the password must be at least 12
*               characters long. This value must be the same value as the one
*               that is specified while configuring the CA. (Required)
*
* rvrefnum      Specifies the revocation reference number used for revoking
*               a certificate
*
* rvpasswd      Specifies the revocation password used for CMP. The length of
*               the password must be at least 12 character long.
*
* keylabel      Defines the name of the key label in the trusted keystore.
*               (Required)
*
* keypasswd     Defines the password of the trusted keystore. (Required)
*
* ldap Stanzas:
*
* ldappkiadmin  Specifies the PKI LDAP administrator account name.
*
* ldappkiadmpwd Specifies the PKI LDAP administrator account password.
*
* ldapservers   Specifies the LDAP server machine name or IP address.
*
* ldapsuffix    Specifies the LDAP DN suffix for the root of the LDAP branch
*               where the PKI data resides.
*
local:
    carefnum = 12345678
    capasswd = password1234
    rvrefnum = 9999997
    rvpasswd = password
    keylabel = "Trusted Key"
    keypasswd = somepassword

ldap:
    ldappkiadmin = "cn=admin"
```



```
ldappkiadmpwd = password
ldapservers = myserver.mydomain.com
ldapsuffix = "ou=cert,cn=aixsecdb"
```

File

/usr/lib/security/pki/acct.cfg

Related reference

[ca.cfg File](#)

[policy.cfg File](#)

Related information

[certcreate command](#)

admin File

Purpose

Describes the format of an installation defaults file.

Description

admin is a generic name for an ASCII file that defines default installation actions by assigning values to installation parameters. For example, it allows administrators to define how to proceed when the package being installed already exists on the system.

/var/sadm/install/admin/default is the default **admin** file delivered with your system. The default file is not writable, so to assign values different from this file, create a new **admin** file. There are no naming restrictions for **admin** files. Name the file when installing a package with the **-a** flag of the **pkgadd** command. If the **-a** flag is not used, the default **admin** file is used.

Each entry in the **admin** file is a line that establishes the value of a parameter in the following form:

```
param=value
```

Eleven parameters can be defined in an **admin** file. A file is not required to assign values to all eleven parameters. If a value is not assigned, **pkgadd** asks the installer how to proceed.

The eleven parameters and their possible values are shown below except as noted. They may be specified in any order. Any of these parameters can be assigned the value **ask**, which means that, if the situation occurs, the installer is notified and asked to supply instructions at that time.

Parameter	Description
-----------	-------------

basedir	Indicates the base directory where relocatable packages are to be installed. The value may contain \$PKGINST to indicate a base directory that is to be a function of the package instance.
----------------	--

mail	Defines a list of users to whom mail should be sent following installation of a package. If the list is empty or if the parameter is not present in the admin file, the default value of <i>root</i> is used. The ask value cannot be used with this parameter.
-------------	---

runlevel	Indicates resolution if the run level (system state) is not correct for the installation or removal of a package. Options are:
-----------------	--

nocheck

Do not check for run level (system state).

quit

Abort installation if run level (system state) is not met.

Parameter	Description
conflict	<p>Specifies what to do if an installation expects to overwrite a previously installed file, thus creating a conflict between packages. Options are:</p> <p>nocheck Do not check for conflict; files in conflict are overwritten.</p> <p>quit Abort installation if conflict is detected.</p> <p>nochange Override installation of conflicting files; conflicting files are not installed.</p>
setuid	<p>Checks for executables that have setuid or setgid bits enabled after installation. Options are:</p> <p>nocheck Do not check for setuid executables.</p> <p>quit Abort installation if setuid processes are detected.</p> <p>nochange Override installation of setuid processes; processes are installed without setuid bits enabled.</p>
action	<p>Determines if action scripts provided by package developers contain possible security impact. Options are:</p> <p>nocheck Ignore security impact of action scripts.</p> <p>quit Abort installation if action scripts may have a negative security impact.</p>
partial	<p>Checks to see if a version of the package is already partially installed on the system. Options are:</p> <p>nocheck Do not check for a partially installed package.</p> <p>quit Abort installation if a partially installed package exists.</p>
idepend	<p>Controls resolution if other packages depend on the one to be installed. Options are:</p> <p>nocheck Do not check package dependencies.</p> <p>quit Abort installation if package dependencies are not met.</p>
rdepend	<p>Controls resolution if other packages depend on the one to be removed. Options are:</p> <p>nocheck Do not check package dependencies.</p> <p>quit Abort removal if package dependencies are not met.</p>
space	<p>Controls resolution if disk space requirements for package are not met. Options are:</p> <p>nocheck Do not check space requirements (installation fails if it runs out of space).</p> <p>quit Abort installation if space requirements are not met.</p>

The value **ask** cannot be defined in an **admin** file that is used for non-interactive installation (since by definition, there is no installer interaction). Doing so causes installation to fail when input is needed.

Related reference

[depend File](#)

[pkginfo File](#)

Related information

[pkgadd command](#)

aliases File for Mail

Purpose

Contains alias definitions for the **sendmail** command.

Description

The **/etc/mail/aliases** file contains the required aliases for the **sendmail** command. Do not change these defaults, as they are required by the system. The file is formatted as a series of lines in the form:

```
name: name_1, name_2, name_3,...
```

The **name :** is the name of the alias, and the **name_n** are the aliases for that name. Lines beginning with white space are continuation lines. Lines beginning with a **#** (pound sign) are comments.

Aliasing occurs only on local names. System-wide aliases are used to redirect mail. For example, if you receive mail at three different systems, you can use the **/etc/mail/aliases** file to redirect your mail to one of the systems. As an individual user, you can also specify aliases in your **.mailrc** file.

Aliases can be defined to send mail to a distribution list. For example, you can send mail to all of the members of a project by sending mail to a single name.

The sender of a message is not included when the **sendmail** command expands an alias address. For example, if amy sends a message to alias D998 and she is defined as a member of that alias, the **sendmail** command does not send a copy of the message to amy.

The **/etc/mail/aliases** file is a raw data file. The **sendmail** command uses a database version of this file. You must build a new alias database by running the **sendmail -bi** command or the **newaliases** command before any changes made to the **/etc/mail/aliases** file become effective.

As long as you do not rebuild the **aliases** database, **sendmail** will continue to read it in its old DBM format. This consists of two files: **/etc/mail/aliases.dir** and **/etc/mail/aliases.pag**. However, the moment you rebuild the **aliases** database, **sendmail** will change this format to Berkeley DB. This file will be stored in **/etc/mail/aliases.db**.

Note: Upper case characters on the left hand side of the alias are converted to lowercase before being stored in the **aliases** database. In the following example, mail sent to the **testalias** user alias fails, since **TEST** is converted to **test** when the second line is stored.

```
TEST: user@machine
testalias: TEST
```

To preserve uppercase in user names and alias names, add the **u** flag to the local mailer description in the **/etc/mail/sendmail.cf** file. Thus, in the example above, mail to the **testalias** user alias would succeed.

Files

Item	Description
/etc/mail/aliases	Contains systemwide aliases.

Item	Description
/etc/mail/aliasesDB directory	Contains the binary files created by the newaliases command, including the DB.dir and DB.pag files.
/etc/mail/aliases.db	Contains the binary file storing the aliases database in Berkeley DB format, created by the newaliases command

Related reference

[.mailrc File Format](#)

Related information

[newaliases command](#)

[sendmail command](#)

[Alias database building](#)

audit File for BNU

Purpose

Contains debug messages from the **uucico** daemon.

Description

The **/var/spool/uucp/.Admin/audit** file contains debug messages from the **uucico** daemon when it is invoked as a result of a call from another system. If the **uucico** daemon is invoked from the local system, the debug messages are sent to either the **/var/spool/uucp/.Admin/errors** file or to standard output.

Files

Item	Description
/var/spool/uucp/.Admin/audit	Specifies the path of the audit file.
/var/spool/uucp/.Admin/errors	Contains a record of uucico daemon errors.

Related information

[uudemon.cleanu command](#)

[cron command](#)

[BNU log files](#)

[BNU File and Directory Structure](#)

/etc/security/authorizations File

Purpose

Contains the list of valid, user-defined authorizations.

Description

The **/etc/security/authorizations** file stores the list of valid, user-defined authorizations available on a system. An authorization administrator can modify user-defined authorizations. System-defined authorizations do not appear in this file. You can add new authorizations to this file using the **mkauth** command and modify authorizations using the **chauth** command.

The **/etc/security/authorizations** file is an ASCII file that uses a stanza for each user-defined authorization. Each stanza is identified by the authorization name followed by a colon (:). You can list

authorization attributes individually as *Attribute=Value* pairs on subsequent lines. Each attribute pair ends with a newline character, as does each stanza. For an example of a stanza, see [“Examples”](#) on page 10.

When the system is operating in Enhanced RBAC Mode, changes that you make to the authorizations file do not impact security considerations until you send the entire authorization database to the Kernel Security Tables using the **setkst** command, or until the system is rebooted.

Modifying and listing entries in the authorizations file

Do not directly edit the **/etc/security/authorizations** file. Use the following commands and subroutines to manipulate the authorization database:

mkauth

Adds new authorizations to the **/etc/security/authorizations** file.

chauth

Changes user-defined authorization attributes.

lsauth

Displays authorizations that are defined in this file and system-defined authorizations.

rmauth

Removes entries from this file.

To write programs that affect entries in the **/etc/security/authorizations** file, use one or more of the following subroutines:

- **getauthattr**
- **getauthattrs**
- **putauthattr**
- **putauthattrs**

Attributes

A stanza in this file contains one or more of the following attributes:

Attribute	Description
id	Specifies the unique numeric ID of the authorization. This is a required attribute and is used internally for security decisions. Do not modify this ID after creating the authorization. The value is a unique decimal integer greater than 10000. Values below 10000 are reserved for system-defined authorizations.
dfltmsg	Specifies the default authorization-description text if message catalogs are not in use. The value is a character string.
msgcat	Specifies the file name of the message catalog that contains the one-line description of the authorization. The value is a character string.
msgset	Specifies the message set that contains the authorization description in the message catalog. The value is a decimal integer.
msgnum	Specifies the message ID that contains the authorization description in the message catalog. The value is a decimal integer.

Security

The root user and the security group own this file. This file grants read and write access to the root user. Access for other users and groups depends on the security policy for the system.

Examples

The following example for the custom authorization displays a typical stanza in the file:

```
custom:
    id = 11000
    dfltmmsg = "Custom Authorization"
    msgcat = "custom_auths.cat"
    msgset = 1
    msgnum = 5
```

Related reference

[/etc/nscontrol.conf File](#)

Related information

[getauthattr subroutine](#)

[mkauth command](#)

[Role Based Access Control \(RBAC\)](#)

autosecrets File

Purpose

Configures iSCSI target passwords.

Description

The autosecrets file is used to configure iSCSI target passwords. You can use comments in the autosecrets file. The comment character is "#", and must be the first character on the line.

This file contains one entry per target. Each entry has the following format:

target_name	chap_name	chap_secret
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target_name

The ODM name of the target.

chap_name

The CHAP name associated with this password. The iSCSI initiator identifies itself by sending this name to the iSCSI target during the authentication process.

chap_secret

The password, enclosed in double quotation marks.

You can use the line continuation character backslash (\) to make each entry easier to read.

Examples

If the target ODM name is `target0`, the CHAP name is `iqn.com.ibm-K167-42.fc1a`, and the **chap_name** is `secret.fc1a`, the entry looks like the following example:

```
target0 iqn.com.ibm-K167-42.fc1a "secret.fc1a"
```

The following example has the same **target**, **chap_name**, and **chap_secret**, but with a line continuation character.

```
target0 iqn.com.ibm-K167-42.fc1a \
    "secret.fc1a"
```

Files

Item	Description
/etc/tmisci/ autosecrets	Configures iSCSI target passwords.

backup File

Purpose

Copies the file system onto temporary storage media.

Description

A backup of the file system provides protection against substantial data loss due to accidents or error. The **backup** command writes file system backups in the **backup** file format, and conversely, the **restore** command reads file system backups. The backup file contains several different types of header records along with the data in each file that is backed up.

Header Records

The different types of header records for by-name backups are:

Header Record	Description
FS_VOLUME	Exists on every volume and holds the volume label.
FS_NAME_X	Holds a description of a file backed up by name.
FS_END	Indicates the end of the backup. This header appears at the end of the last volume.

The different types of header records for by-inode and name backups are:

Header Record	Description
TS_TAPE	Exists on every volume and holds the volume label.
TS_BITS	Describes the directory structure.
TS_CLRI	Describes the unused i-node numbers on the backup system.
TS_INODE	Describes the file.
TS_ADDR	Indicates a continuation of the preceding file.
TS_END	Indicates the end of the backup.

The descriptions of the fields of the header structure for by-inode backups are:

Header Record	Description
c_type	The header type.
c_date	The current dump date.
c_ddate	The file system dump date.
c_volume	The volume number.
c_tapea	The number of the current header record.
c_inumber	The i-node number on this record.

Header Record	Description
c_magic	The magic number.
c_checksum	The value that would make the record sum to the CHECKSUM value.
bsd_c_dinode	A copy of the BSD i-node as it appears on the BSD file system.
c_count	The number of characters in the c_addr field.
c_addr	A character array that describes the blocks being dumped for the file.
xix_flag	Set to the XIX_MAGIC value if doing the backup of a file system.
xix_dinode	The real di-node from the file system.

Each volume except the last ends with a tape mark (read as an end of file). The last volume ends with a **TS_END** record and then the tape mark.

By-Name Format

The format of a by-name backup is:

FS_VOLUME

FS_NAME_X (before each file)

File Data

FS_END

By-Inode Format

The format of a by-inode backup follows:

TS_VOLUME

TS_BITS

TS_CLRI

TS_INODE

TS_END

A detailed description of the by-inode header file follows:

```
union u_spcl {
    char dummy[TP_BSIZE];
    struct s_spcl {
        int      c_type;                /* 4 */
        time_t   c_date;                /* 8 */
        time_t   c_ddate;               /* 12 */
        int      c_volume;              /* 16 */
        daddr_t  c_tapea;               /* 20 */
        ino_t     c_inumber;            /* 24 */
        int      c_magic;               /* 28 */
        int      c_checksum;            /* 32 */
        struct    bsd_dinode bsd_c_dinode; /* 160 */
        int      c_count;               /* 164 */
        char     c_addr[TP_NINDIR];     /* 676 */
        int      xix_flag;              /* 680 */
        struct    dinode xix_dinode;    /* 800 */
    } s_spcl;
} u_spcl;
```


Constants

Constants used to distinguish these different types of headers and define other variables are:

```
#define OSF_MAGIC      (int)60011
#define NFS_MAGIC      (int)60012      /* New File System Magic */
#define XIX_MAGIC      (int)60013      /* Magic number for v3 */
#define BYNAME_MAGIC   (int)60011      /* 2.x magic number */
#define PACKED_MAGIC   (int)60012      /* 2.x magic number for
/* Huffman packed format */
#define CHECKSUM        (int)84446      /* checksum magic number */
#define TP_BSIZE        1024           /* tape block size */
#define TP_NINDIR        (TP_BSIZE/2)  /* num of indirect pointers
/* in an inode record */
#define FS_VOLUME        0             /* denotes a volume header */
#define FS_END          7             /* denotes an end of backup */
#define FS_NAME_X       10            /* denotes file header */
#define SIZSTR          16            /* string size in vol header*/
#define DUMNAME         4             /* dummy name length for
/* FS_NAME_X */
#define FXLEN           80            /* length of file index */
```

Related reference

[filesystems File](#)

Related information

[backup command](#)

[pack command](#)

[File systems](#)

bincmds File

Purpose

Contains the shell commands that process audit bin data.

Description

The **/etc/security/audit/bincmds** file is an ASCII template file that contains the backend commands that process audit binfile records. The path name of this file is defined in the **bin** stanza of the **/etc/security/audit/config** file.

This file contains command lines each composed of one or more commands with input and output that can be piped together or redirected. Although the commands usually are one or more of the audit system commands (the **auditcat** command, the **auditpr** command, the **auditselect** command), this is not a requirement.

As each bin file is filled by the kernel, the **auditbin** daemon invokes each command to process the bin records, substituting the names of the current bin file and the audit trail file for any **\$trail** and **\$bin** strings in the commands. Upon startup, if the **auditbin** daemon detects that the bin files require a recovery procedure, the command will prepend a **-r** to the bin file's name in **\$bin**.

Note: The commands are executed by the trusted shell (TSH) when on the trusted path. This means that the path names in the commands must be absolute, and that environment variable substitution may be limited. See the discussion of the [tsh](#) command for more information.

Security

Access Control: This file should grant read (r) access to the root user and members of the audit group and grant write (w) access only to the root user.

Examples

1. To compress audit bin records and append them to the system audit trail file, include the following line in the **/etc/security/audit/bincmds** file:

```
/usr/sbin/auditcat -p -o $trail $bin
```

When the command runs, the names of the current bin file and the system audit-trail file are substituted for the **\$bin** and **\$trail** strings. Records are compressed and appended to the **/audit/trail** file.

2. To select the audit events from each bin file that are unsuccessful because of authentication or privilege reasons and append the events to the **/audit/trail.violations** file, you must include the following line in the **/etc/security/audit/bincmds** file:

```
/usr/sbin/auditselect -e "result == FAIL_AUTH || \
result == FAIL_PRIV" $bin >> /audit/trail.violations
```

3. To create a hard-copy audit log of all local user authentication audit events, include the following line in the **/etc/security/audit/bincmds** file:

```
/usr/sbin/auditselect -e "event == USER_Login || \
event == USER_SU" $bin | \
/usr/sbin/auditpr -t2 -v >/dev/lpr3
```

Adjust the printer name to fit your requirements.

Note: The **auditselect** command does not support the **-r** flag (recovery). To process the **\$bin** string, use the **auditcat** command before using the **auditselect** command.

Files

Item	Description
<u>/etc/security/audit/bincmds</u>	Specifies the path to the file.
<u>/etc/security/audit/config</u>	Contains audit-system configuration information.
<u>/etc/security/audit/events</u>	Contains the audit events of the system.
<u>/etc/security/audit/objects</u>	Contains audit events for audited objects (files).
<u>/etc/security/audit/streamcmds</u>	Contains auditstream commands.

Related information

[audit command](#)

[Setting Up Auditing](#)

[Security Administration](#)

[Auditing overview](#)

BOOTP Relay Agent Configuration File

Purpose

Default configuration information for the BOOTP (boot protocol) relay agent program (dhcprd).

Description

The dhcprd configuration file contains entries for logging information and servers to receive BOOTP packets.

This file is part of TCP/IP in Network Support Facilities in Base Operating System (BOS) Runtime.

Following are the formats for the data in the configuration file.

Format	Meaning
<code># Comment line</code>	The <code>#</code> character means that there is a comment from that point to the end of the line.
<code>numLogFiles n</code>	Specifies the number of log files. If 0 is specified, no log file will be maintained, and no log message is displayed anywhere. <i>n</i> is the maximum number of log files maintained as the size of the most recent log file reaches its maximum size and a new log file is created.
<code>logFileSize n</code>	Maximum size of a log file. When the size of the most recent log file reaches this value, it is renamed and a new log file is created. <i>n</i> is measured in kilobytes(KB).
<code>logFileName filename</code>	Name and path of the most recent log file. Less recent log files have the number 1 to (<i>n</i> - 1) appended to their names; the larger the number, the older the file.
<code>logItem <option name></code>	One item that will be logged. Multiple of these lines are allowed. This allows for the specified logging level to be turned on. The following are option names: SYSERR System error, at the interface to the platform OBJERR Object error, in between objects in the process PROTERR Protocol error, between client and server WARNING Warning, worth attention from the user EVENT Event occurred to the process ACTION Action taken by the process INFO Information that might be useful ACNTING Who was served, and when TRACE Code flow, for debugging.
<code>server <ip address></code>	The address of a server to receive the DHCP or BOOTP packet. Multiple servers may be specified, and all will receive the packet.

Example

The following example sets the logging parameters and configures two servers to receive BOOTP and DHCP packets. The servers are specified singly and with their ip addresses. The logging statements below tell the daemon to use at most four logfiles, rotate the log files after their size is 100 kilobytes of data, and place the files in the local directory and use **dhcpsd.log** as the base name. On rotation, the old file will be moved to **dhcpsd.log1**, and the daemon will start logging to an empty **dhcpsd.log**.

```
numLogFiles    4
logFileSize    100
logFileName    dhcpsd.log
logItem        SYSERR
```

```
logItem      OBJERR
logItem      PROTERR
logItem      WARNING
logItem      EVENT
logItem      ACTION
logItem      INFO
logItem      ACNTING
logItem      TRACE
```

```
server 129.35.128.43
server 9.3.145.5
```

Related information

[dhcprd command](#)

[bootpd command](#)

[TCP/IP problems with Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol](#)

bootparams File for NFS

Purpose

Contains the list of client entries that diskless clients use for booting.

Description

The **/etc/bootparams** file for Network File System (NFS) contains a list of client entries that diskless clients use for booting. The first item of each entry is the name of the diskless client. Each entry should contain the following information:

- Name of client
- List of keys, names of servers, and path names

Items are separated by tab characters.

Examples

The following is an example of a **/etc/bootparams** file:

```
myclient root=myserver:/nfsroot/myclient \
swap=myserver:/nfsswar/myclient \
dump=myserver:/nfsdump/myclient
```

Files

Item	Description
/etc/bootparams	Specifies the path of the bootparams file.

Related information

[Network File System Overview](#)

ca.cfg File

Purpose

The **ca.cfg** file consists of CA stanzas. The CA stanzas contain public CA information used by the Certificate Authentication Services for generating certificate requests and certificate revocation requests.

Description

For every CA stanza in the **ca.cfg** file, the **acct.cfg** file should contain an equivalently named CA stanza. Each CA stanza name in the **ca.cfg** file must be unique. At least one stanza named **local** must exist. No stanza should be named **ldap** or **default**.

Examples

```
* Multiple components of the PKI implementation use this file for configuration
* information.
*
* algorithm      Defines the encryption algorithm used for CMP requests.
*                Supported values are RSA and DSA. The default is RSA.
*
* crt            Specifies the CA's root certificate file.
*
* dn             Defines the default Distinguished Name value for newly
*                created certificates. (Optional) Example:
*                dn = "c=US, o=ZZZ Corp., ou=Sales OEM, sp=Texas, l=Austin"
*
* keysize        Defines the minimum number of bits required when generating
*                an encryption/signing key. The default is 1024.
*
* program        Specifies the PKI service module file name.
*                (Required)
*
* retries        Defines the number of retry attempts when contacting a CA.
*                The default is 5.
*
* server         Defines the URL address of the CA server. Example:
*                "cmp://9.53.149.39:1077".
*
* signinghash    Specifies the hash algorithm used to verify keys and to
*                perform trusted certificate signing when validating users.
*                Supported values are MD2, MD5, and SHA1. The default is MD5.
*
* trustedkey     Defines the keystore location containing the system-wide
*                trusted signing key used to sign/verify user certificates.
*
* url            Defines the default subject alternate name URI value to be
*                added to new certificates.
*
local:
    program = /usr/lib/security/pki/JSML
    trustedkey = file:/usr/lib/security/pki/trusted.p15
    server = "cmp://9.53.149.39:1077"
    crt = ldap://9.53.149.39/o=XYZ, c=us
    dn = "c=US, o=XYZ"
    url = "http://www.ibm.com/"
    algorithm = RSA
    keysize = 512
    retries = 5
    signinghash = MD5
```

File

/usr/lib/security/pki/ca.cfg

Related reference

[acct.cfg File](#)

[policy.cfg File](#)

Related information

[certcreate command](#)

cdromd.conf File Format

Purpose

Defines for the **cdromd** daemon the managed devices and supported file system types.

Description

The **/etc/cdromd.conf** is the configuration file for the **cdromd** daemon. This file enables you to specify the devices to manage and the file system types to handle.

If you change the **/etc/cdromd.conf** file, run **refresh -s cdromd** or **kill -1 CdromdPID** command to inform the daemon of the changes to its configuration file.

The **cdromd** daemon reads its configuration file only when it starts, when the **cdromd** daemon receives a SIGHUP signal, or when the SRC **refresh -s cdromd** command is entered.

An information line in the **cdromd** configuration file defines either a device to manage or a file system type to handle. Lines starting with the pound sign (#) are comment lines. Fields in information lines must be separated by spaces or tabs. A device information line starts with **<device>** keyword and is of the form:

```
device    device_name    mount_point
```

Item	Description
device_name	Contains a valid device name, as printed by the lsdev command, such as: <pre>lsdev -Cc cdrom -F name</pre>
mount_point	Contains the path of the directory for the mount operation. It must begin with a /

If there is no line in the configuration file beginning with the **device** keyword, all the CD-ROM and DVD devices available on the system will be managed by **cdromd**, and a media inserted in the **cd<x>** drive will be automatically mounted on **/cdrom/cd<x>** directory.

A file system type information line starts with the **fstype** keyword and is of the form:

```
fstype    VfsName    fs_options
```

Item	Description
VfsName	Contains the VFS type used with the -V flag of the mount command.Only cdrfs and udfs types can be used.
fs_options	Contains the comma separated list of options used with the -o flag of the mount command (see mount command man page).

If there is no line beginning with the **fstype** keyword in the configuration file, the **mount** command will be called with one of the following options:

```
-V cdrfs -o ro
```

or

```
-V udfs -o ro
```

If you want the UDFS file system to be mounted in read/write mode by default, add the following line to the **cdromd.conf** file:

```
fstype    udfs    rw
```

Examples

The following example of **cdromd.conf** file is for a **cdromd** daemon that:

- Manages cdrom cd0 with inserted media mounted on **/mnt** with either **-V cdrfs -o ro** or **-V udfs -o ro** options.

- Manages cdrom cd1 with inserted media mounted on **/install** with either **-V cdrfs -o ro** or **-V udfs -o ro** options.

device	cd0	/mnt
device	cd1	/install
fstype	cdrfs	ro
fstype	udfs	ro

Related information

[cdmount command](#)

[mount command](#)

[cdromd command](#)

ClientHostName.info File

Purpose

Created by the Network Installation Management (NIM) software to deliver information to the boot environment of NIM client machines.

Note: In AIX Version 4, this is an internal file to the Network Installation Management software and should not be modified manually.

Description

The NIM software creates the *ClientHostName.info* file to deliver information to the boot environment of NIM client machines. The file resides in the **/tftpboot** directory on the server of the NIM Shared Product Object Tree (SPOT), with a format of *ClientHostName.info* where *ClientHostName* is the hostname of the client machine.

After the client machine performs a network boot, it retrieves a copy of the *ClientHostName.info* file from the boot server using **tftp**. The client machine then uses the contents of the *ClientHostName.info* file to define environment variables for further processing in the boot process.

The *ClientHostName.info* file is used to support network boot for the following NIM operations:

- Installing the Base Operating System onto standalone machines
- Initializing diskless/dataless machines
- Diagnostics boot

Some of the variables defined in the *ClientHostName.info* file are common to all operations while others are operation-specific.

The following variables may be defined in the *ClientHostName.info* file:

Note: These variables are managed by the **nim** command and should not be modified by other means.

Variable	Description
NIM_NAME	Identifies the client machine in the NIM environment.
NIM_HOSTNAME	Identifies hostname of the client machine.
NIM_CONFIGURATION	Describes the configuration of the client's resource requirements. Possible values are standalone , diskless , and dataless .
NIM_MASTER_HOSTNAME	Identifies the hostname of the NIM master in the network.
NIM_MASTER_PORT	Specifies the port number on the NIM master that should be used for NIM communications.
RC_CONFIG	Specifies the file that defines the configuration procedures the client machine should follow as it boots. Possible values are rc.bos_inst , rc.dd_boot , and rc.diag .

Variable	Description
NIM_BOSINST_RECOVER	Specifies the script that initializes the BOS installation environment for NIM.
SPOT	Specifies the location of the Shared Product Object Tree resource that will be used during the boot process.
ROOT	Specifies the location of the root filesystem that will be mounted by diskless/dataless machines.
DUMP	Specifies the location of the dump resource that will be mounted by diskless/dataless machines.
NIM_CUSTOM	Names the command to execute a NIM script during post-installation processing.
NIM_BOS_IMAGE	Specifies the image from which the Base Operating System will be installed.
NIM_BOS_FORMAT	Specifies the format of the image that will be used to install the Base Operating System.
NIM_HOSTS	Specifies the IP addresses and hostnames of the NIM machines that will participate in the operation.
NIM_MOUNTS	Specifies the filesystems that will be mounted during the operation.
ROUTES	Specifies the routes from the client machine to other networks in the NIM environment. The format of each value is a colon-separated list of the network IP address, the network subnet mask, and the IP address of the gateway to the network.

Example

This example shows the contents of the file **/tftpboot/devon.austin.ibm.com.info** after a bos installation has been enabled via the following command:

```
nim -o bos_inst -a source=rte devon

export NIM_NAME=devon
export NIM_HOSTNAME=devon.austin.ibm.com
export NIM_CONFIGURATION=standalone
export NIM_MASTER_HOSTNAME=redfish.austin.ibm.com
export NIM_MASTER_PORT=1058
export RC_CONFIG=rc.bos_inst
export
NIM_BOSINST_RECOVER="/../SPOT/usr/lpp/bos.sysmgt/nim/methods/
c_bosinst_env -a
hostname=devon.austin.ibm.com"
export SPOT=redfish.austin.ibm.com:/spot/myspot/usr
export
NIM_CUSTOM="/../SPOT/usr/lpp/bos.sysmgt/nim/methods/c_script -a
location=redfish.austin.ibm.com:/export/nim/scripts/devon.script"
export NIM_BOS_IMAGE=/SPOT/usr/sys/inst.images/bos
export NIM_BOS_FORMAT=rte
export NIM_HOSTS=" 129.35.134.9:devon.austin.ibm.com
9.3.84.202:redfish.austin.ibm.com "
export NIM_MOUNTS="
redfish.austin.ibm.com:/lppsourc/image/dir:/SPOT/usr/sys/inst.images:dir "
export ROUTES=" 9.3.84.128:255.255.255.128:129.35.128.201 "
```

Files

Item	Description
/tftpboot/ClientHostName.info	Default location of the <i>ClientHostName.info</i> file.

Related information

[nim command](#)

clsnmp.conf File

Purpose

Contents are used by the **clsnmp** command to identify a host on which an SNMP agent is running.

Description

The contents of the **clsnmp.conf** file used by the **clsnmp** command are as follows. Each entry identifies:

- a host on which an SNMP agent is running,
- the administrative model used to communicate with the host at that agent,
- and the security parameters to be used in the communication.

An entry in the **clsnmp.conf** file has the following syntax:

```
winSnpName targetAgent admin secName password context secLevel authProto  
authKey privProto privKey
```

where:

winSnpName

An administrative name by which the winSNMP code used by **clsnmp** can locate an entry in this configuration file. This value is to be specified on the **-h** keyword for the **clsnmp** command. The valid value must be a character string of 1 to 32 characters. There is no default value.

targetAgent

Identification of the target SNMP agent. By default, the port at which the agent is to receive requests is 161. To specify a port other than 161, use the syntax of:

```
host:port_number (host colon port_number)
```

The attribute must have one of the following values:

- A host name of 1 to 80 characters.
- An IPv4 address that must be in the form of a.b.c.d , where a, b, c, and d are in the range of 0 through 255.
- An IPv6 address. If the port number is specified, it must be of a value that ranges from 1 through 65535.

admin

Specifies the administrative model supported by the **targetAgent**. The following values are valid:

snmpv1

Indicates community based security with SNMPv1 message protocol data units.

snmpv2c

Indicates community based security with SNMPv2 message protocol data units.

snmpv3

Indicates user based security (USM) with SNMPv3 message protocol data units.

There is no default value.

secName

Specifies the security name of the principal using this configuration file entry. For user-based security, this is the **userName**. The user must be defined at the **targetAgent**. This field is ignored unless **snmpv3** is specified for the **admin** keyword. The valid value must be a user name of 1 to 32 characters. There is no default value.

password

Specifies the password to be used in generating the authentication and privacy keys for this user. If a password is specified, the values of the **authKey** and **privKey** fields will be ignored.

Note: the use of password instead of keys in this configuration file is not recommended, as storing passwords in this file is less secure than using keys.

This field is ignored unless **snmpv3** is specified for the **admin** keyword. The valid value must be a password of 8 to 64 characters. A '-' (dash) indicates the default. The default value is no password.

context

Specifies the SNMP **contextName** to be used at the target agent. Note, the **contextName** is needed only at agents that support multiple contexts. Otherwise, the only context supported is the null context, which is the default value of this keyword. The CS for OS/390® SNMP agent does not support multiple contexts. This field is ignored unless **snmpv3** is specified for the **admin** keyword. The valid value must be a **contextName** of 1 to 40 32 characters. A '-' (dash) indicates the default. The default value is the null context ("").

secLevel

Specifies the security level to be used in communicating with the target SNMP agent when this entry is used. This field is ignored unless **snmpv3** is specified for the **admin** keyword.

Note: Privacy will be supported on CS for OS/390 V2R7 only in a separately orderable FMID. It will not be supported in the base FMID.

These values are valid: **noAuthNoPriv** or none which indicates no authentication or privacy requested. **AuthNoPriv** or **auth** indicates authentication is requested, but privacy is not requested. **AuthPriv** or **priv** indicates both authentication and privacy are requested (only supported in the additional encryption product) . A '-' (dash) indicates the default. The default value is none (**noAuthNoPriv**).

authProto

Specifies the SNMP authentication protocol to be used in communicating with the target SNMP agent when this entry is used. This field is ignored unless **snmpv3** is specified for the **admin** keyword. The following values are valid:

HMAC-MD5

Indicates HMAC mode MD5.

HMAC-SHA

Indicates HMAC mode SHA.

A '-' (dash) indicates the default. The default value is no authentication.

authKey

Specifies the SNMP authentication key to be used in communicating with the target SNMP agent when this entry is used. This key must be the non-localized key. This field is ignored if the password keyword is used. This field is ignored unless **snmpv3** is specified for the **admin** keyword and a non-default value is specified for **authProto**. The following values are valid:

- A key of 16 bytes (32 hex digits) when authProto is HMAC-MD5
- A key of 20 bytes (40 hex digits) when authProto is HMAC-SHA

A '-' (dash) indicates the default. The default value is no key.

privProto

Specifies the SNMP privacy protocol to be used in communicating with the target SNMP agent when this entry is used.

Note: Privacy will be supported on CS for OS/390 V2R7 only in a separately orderable FMID. It will not be supported in the base FMID.

If privacy is not supported, this keyword will be ignored. This field is ignored unless **snmpv3** is specified for the **admin** keyword. The following values are valid:

- DES - for CBC-DES (only supported in the additional encryption product)

A '-' (dash) indicates the default. The default value is no privacy.

privKey

Specifies the SNMP privacy key to be used in communicating with the target SNMP agent when this entry is used. This key must be the non-localized key. This field is ignored if the password keyword is used. If privacy is not supported, this keyword will be ignored. The privacy and authentication keys are assumed to have been generated using the same authentication protocol (e.g., both with HMAC-MD5 or both with HMAC-SHA). This field is ignored unless **snmpv3** is specified for the admin keyword and a non-default value is specified for **privProto**. The following values are valid:

- A key of 16 bytes (32 hex digits) when authProto is HMAC-MD5
- A key of 20 bytes (40 hex digits) when authProto is HMAC-SHA

A '-' (dash) indicates the default. The default value is no key.

General Usage Rules

- All parameters for an entry must be contained on one line in the # configuration file.
- A "-" (dash) is used to indicate the default value for a keyword.
- Sequence numbers are not allowed on the statements.
- Comments may be included in the file beginning with a pound sign (#) in column 1.
- The **secName** and **password** parameters are case-sensitive.

As the **clsnmp** command supports both issuance of SNMP requests and receipt of SNMP traps, the entries in the **clsnmp.conf** file must be defined for both uses. Multiple entries for the same USM user are allowed within the file. This may be useful to define different security levels for the same user. If multiple entries for the same USM user are defined, be aware that only the first one in the file can be used for receiving notifications. If multiple entries for the same USM user are defined and the user will be used for receiving notifications, the definition with the highest (most stringent) **securityLevel** should be defined first. Doing so will allow the user to be used for any level of security equal to or lower (less stringent) than the **securityLevel** defined.

Related information

[snmpdv3 command](#)

[clsnmp command](#)

[pwtokey command](#)

[SNMP trap processing](#)

Command (C.*) Files for BNU

Purpose

Contains file transfer directions for the **uucico** daemon.

Description

Command (**C.***) files contain the directions that the Basic Networking Utilities (BNU) **uucico** daemon follows when transferring files. The full path name of a command file is a form of the following:

/var/spool/uucp/SystemName/C.SystemNameNxxxx

The *SystemName* variable indicates the name of the remote system. The *N* character represents the grade of the work. The *xxxx* notation is the four-digit hexadecimal transfer-sequence number; for example, C.merlinC3119.

The grade of the work specifies when the file is to be transmitted during a particular connection. The grade notation characteristics are:

- A single number (0-9) or letter (A-Z, a-z)

- Lower sequence characters cause the file to be transmitted earlier in the connection than do higher sequence characters. Sequence is established using ASCII order, beginning with 0 and ending with z.
- The number 0 is the highest grade (that is, the lowest character in the sequence), signifying the earliest transmittal; z is the lowest grade, specifying the latest transmittal.
- The default grade is N.

A command file consists of a single line that includes the following kinds of information in the following order:

1. An S (send) or R (receive) notation.

Note: A send command file is created by the **uucp** or **uuto** commands; a receive command file is created by the **uux** command.

2. The full path name of the source file being transferred. A receive command file does not include this entry.
3. The full path name of the destination file, or a path name preceded by *~user*, where *user* is a login name on the specified system. Here, the ~ (tilde) is shorthand for the name of the user's home directory.
4. The sender's login name.
5. A list of the options, if any, included with the **uucp**, **uuto**, or **uux** command.
6. The name of the data file associated with the command file in the spooling directory. This field must contain an entry. If one of the data-transfer commands (such as the **uucp** command with the default **-c** flag) does not create a data file, the BNU program instead creates a placeholder with the name **D.0** for send files or the name **dummy** for receive files.
7. The source file permissions code, specified as a three-digit octal number (for example, 777).
8. The login name of the user on the remote system who is to be notified when the transfer is complete.

Examples

The following are two examples of using the command (**C.***) files.

Two Send Command Files

1. The send command file `/var/spool/uucp/venus/C.heraN1133`, created with the **uucp** command, contains the following fields:

```
S /home/amy/f1 /var/spool/uucppublic/f2 amy -dC D.hera1e73655 777 lgh
```

where:

- a. S denotes that the **uucp** command is sending the file.
- b. The full path name of the source file is `/home/amy/f1`.
- c. The full path name of the destination is `/var/spool/uucppublic/f2`, where `/var/spool/uucppublic` is the name of the BNU public spooling directory on the remote computer and `f2` is the new name of the file.

Note: The destination name may be abbreviated as `~/f2`. Here, the ~ (tilde) is a shorthand way of designating the public directory.
- d. The person sending the file is amy.
- e. The sender entered the **uucp** command with the **-C** flag, specifying that the **uucp** command program should transfer the file to the local spooling directory and create a data file for it. (The **-d** flag, which specifies that the command should create any intermediate directories needed to copy the source file to the destination, is a default.)
- f. The name of the data (D.*) file is `D.hera1e73655`, which the **uucp** command assigns.
- g. The octal permissions code is 777.
- h. The `lgh` login name of the user on system `hera`, who is to be notified of the file arrival.

2. The `/var/spool/uucp/hera/C.zeusN3130` send command file, produced by the **uuto** command, is as follows:

```
S /home/amy/out ~/receive/msg/zeus amy -dcn D.0 777 msg
```

The S denotes that the `/home/amy/out` source file was sent to the `receive/msg` subdirectory in the public spooling directory on system zeus by user amy.

Note: The **uuto** command creates the **receive/msg** directory if it does not already exist.

The **uuto** command used the default flags **-d** (create directories), **-c** (transfer directly, no spooling directory or data file), and **-n** (notify recipient). The `D.0` notation is a placeholder, `777` is the permissions code, and `msg` is the recipient.

Receive Command File

The format of a receive command file is somewhat different from that of a send command file. When files required to run a specified command on a remote system are not present on that system, the **uux** command creates a receive command file.

For example, the following command:

```
uux - "diff /home/amy/out hera!/home/amy/out2 > ~/DF"
```

produces the `/var/spool/uucp/zeus/C.heraR1e94` receive command file.

Note: The command in this example invokes the **uux** command to run a **diff** command on the local system, comparing file `/home/amy/out` with file `/home/amy/out2`, which is stored on the remote system hera. The output of the comparison is placed in the `DF` file in the public directory on the local system.

The actual receive command file looks like this:

```
R /home/amy/out2 D.hera1e954fd amy - dummy 0666 amy
```

The R denotes a receive file. The **uucico** daemon, called by the **uux** command, gets the `/home/amy/out2` file from system hera and places it in a data file called `D.hera1e954fd` for the transfer. Once the files are transferred, the **uuxqt** daemon executes the command on the specified system.

User amy issued the **uux** command with the `-` (minus sign) flag, which makes the standard input to the **uux** command the standard input to the actual command string. No data file was created in the local spooling directory, so the BNU program uses `dummy` as a placeholder. The permissions code is `666` (the BNU program prefixes the three-digit octal code with a `0`), and user amy is to be notified when the command has finished executing.

Files

Item

/etc/uucp/Permissions

/etc/uucp/Systems

/etc/uucp/Sysfiles file

/var/spool/uucp/SystemName/D.*

/var/spool/uucp/SystemName directory

/var/spool/uucppublic/* directory

Description

Describes access permissions for remote systems.

Describes accessible remote systems.

Specifies possible alternative files for **/etc/uucp/Systems**.

Contains data to be transferred.

Contains BNU command, data, and execute files.

Contains transferred files.

Related information

[uucp command](#)

[uuto command](#)

[uux command](#)

[cron daemon](#)

[uuxqt daemon](#)

compver File

Purpose

Describes the format of a compatible versions file.

Description

The **compver** file is an ASCII file used to specify previous versions of the associated package which are upward compatible. It is created by a package developer.

Each line of the file specifies a previous version of the associated package with which the current version is backward compatible.

Since some packages may require installation of a specific version of another software package, compatibility information is extremely crucial. Consider, for example, a package called "A" which requires version "1.0" of application "B" as a prerequisite for installation. If the customer installing "A" has a newer version of "B" (1.3), the *compver* file for "B" must indicate that "1.3" is compatible with version "1.0" in order for the customer to install package "A."

The comparison of the version string disregards white space and tabs. It is performed on a word-by-word basis. Thus **Version 1.3** and **Version 1.3** would be considered the same.

Examples

An example of a *compver* file is shown below.

```
Version 1.3
Version 1.0
```

Related reference

[depend File](#)

config File

Purpose

Contains audit system configuration information.

Description

The **/etc/security/audit/config** file is an ASCII stanza file that contains audit system configuration information. This file contains five stanzas: **start**, **bin**, **stream**, **classes**, and **users**.

start Stanza

The **start** stanza contains the attributes that are used by the **audit start** command to initialize the audit system. The following format follows:

```
start:
  fullpath = off | on
  binmode = off | on | panic
```

```
streammode = off | on
ignorenonexistentity = no | yes
```

The attributes are defined as follows:

Attribute	Definition
binmode	Controls whether bin collection, as defined in the bin stanza, is used. off Bin collection is not used. This is the default value. on Bin collection is used. This value starts the auditbin daemon. panic Bin collection is used. This value starts the auditbin daemon. If an audit record cannot be written to a bin, the kernel shuts down the operating system. This mode should be specified for conditions during which the system must be working properly.
fullpath	Captures the full path name of a file for the FILE_Open, FILE_Read, and FILE_Write auditing events. off Full path name is not recorded. This is the default value. on Full path name is recorded.
ignorenonexistentity	Controls whether nonexistent entities that are listed in the etc/security/audit/config file are ignored during the audit operation. The ignorenonexistentity attribute contains the following valid values: no The audit operation is not started if nonexistent entities are found during the audit start command. This is the default value. yes The audit operation ignores nonexistent entries.
streammode	Controls whether stream data collection, as defined in the file specified in the stream stanza (normally the /etc/security/audit/streamcmds file), is configured at the start up of the audit system. off Stream data collection is not enabled. It is the default value. on Stream data collection is enabled.

Note: If neither collection mode is defined or if both modes are in the **off** state, only subsystem configuration is done.

bin Stanza

The **bin** stanza contains the attributes used by the **auditbin** daemon to set up bin mode auditing. The format follows:

```
bin:
  trail = PathName
  bin1 = PathName
  bin2 = PathName
  binsize = DecimalString
  cmds = PathName
  bytethreshold = DecimalString
  eventthreshold = DecimalString
  freespace = DecimalString
```

```

backuppath = DirectoryPath
backupsizesize = DecimalString
virtual_log = PathName
bincompact = off | on

```

Bin mode parameters are defined as follows:

Parameter	Definition
<i>trail</i>	Specifies the path name of the audit trail file. When this is defined, the auditbin daemon can substitute the path name of the audit trail file for the \$trail string in the backend commands that it calls.
<i>bin1</i>	Specifies the path name that the auditbin daemon uses for its primary bin file. If the \$bin string is the parameter value, the auditbin daemon substitutes the name of the current bin file.
<i>bin2</i>	Specifies the path name that the auditbin daemon uses for its secondary bin file. If the \$bin string is the parameter value, the auditbin daemon substitutes the name of the current bin file.
<i>bincompact</i>	Specifies if compact audit log mode should be enabled for the bin mode auditing. The two possible values are on and off. The default value is off.
<i>binsize</i>	Specifies a decimal integer string that defines the threshold size (in bytes) of each audit bin. If the <i>binsize</i> parameter is set to 0, no bin switching will occur, and all bin collection will go to bin1 .
<i>cmds</i>	Specifies the path name of the file that contains the audit backend commands called by the auditbin daemon. The file contains command lines, each composed of one or more backend commands with input and output that can be piped together or redirected. See the description of the /etc/security/audit/bincmds file for more information.
<i>bytethreshold</i>	Specifies the decimal integer string that defines the approximate number of bytes written to an audit bin before a synchronous update is performed. If the bytethreshold is set to 0, this function is disabled. Both bytethreshold and eventthreshold can be used simultaneously.
<i>eventthreshold</i>	Specifies a decimal integer string that defines the maximum number of events written to an audit bin before a synchronous update is performed. If the eventthreshold is set to 0, this function is disabled. Both eventthreshold and bytethreshold can be used simultaneously.
<i>freespace</i>	Specifies a decimal integer string that defines the recommended number of 512-byte free blocks in the file system where the audit trail file is located. If the free space of file system is below this value, audit generates a warning message through the syslog subsystem every time that the audit bin is switched. The default value is 65536 blocks (64 megabytes). The maximum possible value is 4194303 (about 2GB of free disk space). If this value is set to 0, no warning message is generated. If the valid backuppath is mentioned and free space of file system is below this value, auditcat will take the backup of the trail file in this path every time auditbin invokes the auditcat .
<i>backuppath</i>	Specifies the absolute path name of the directory, where the backup of the system audit-trail file must be copied when size of the system audit-trail file reaches the value of the backupsizesize parameter. If you set this parameter, the auditcat command in the bincmds file must contain the -d \$backuppath statement for the change of the absolute path name of the directory to take effect. See the description of the auditcat command for more information. Note: The directory that is specified in the backuppath parameter must not be located in the same file system in which the system audit-trail file is located.

Parameter

Definition

backupsizes

Specifies a decimal integer string that defines the recommended number of 512-byte blocks in the system audit-trail file. If the trail file size is equal to or greater than this value, backup of the trail is taken. The default value is empty (backup is disabled). The maximum possible value is 4194303 (about 2 GB of free disk space). If the value is set to less than equal to zero or set to any invalid value, this parameter will be ignored. If you set this parameter, the **auditcat** command in the **bincmds** file must contain the **-d \$backupsizes** statement for the change in the size of the system audit-trail file to take effect. See the description of the **auditcat** command for more information.

virtual_log

Specifies the path name for a *virtual_log* device. The virtual log facility can be used by the **auditbin** daemon to write audit records into an attached VIOS system. To enable the *virtual_log* device on a client LPAR, first configure the corresponding **vlog** device on attached VIOS system, and then specify a newly created device on a client (for example, */dev/vlog0* device can be specified).

stream Stanza

The **stream** stanza contains the attributes that the **audit start** command uses to set up initial stream mode auditing. The format follows:

```
cmds = PathName
```

The *PathName* parameter identifies the file that contains the stream commands that are executed at the initialization of the audit system. These commands can use shell piping and redirection, but no substitution of path names is performed on **\$trail** or **\$bin** strings.

classes Stanza

The **classes** stanza defines audit classes (sets of audit events) to the system.

Each audit class name must be less than 16 characters and be unique on the system. Each class definition must be contained in a single line, with a new line acting as a delimiter between classes. The system supports up to 32 audit classes, with ALL as the last class. The audit events in the class must be defined in the **/etc/security/audit/events** file.

```
classes:  
    auditclass = auditevent, ...auditevent
```

users Stanza

The **users** stanza defines audit classes (sets of events) for each user. The classes are defined to the operating system kernel.

The format is as follows:

```
users:  
    UserName = auditclass, ... auditclass
```

Each **UserName** attribute must be the login name of a system user or the string default, and each *auditclass* parameter should be defined in the **classes** stanza.

To establish the audit activities for a user, use the **chuser** command with the **auditclasses** attribute.

role Stanza

The role stanza defines audit classes (sets of events) for each role. The classes are defined for the operating system kernel.

The format of the role stanza is as follows:

```
role:
  RoleName = auditclass, ... auditclass
```

Each **RoleName** attribute must be the name of a system role or the string default, and each *auditclass* parameter must be defined in the **classes** stanza.

To establish the audit activities for a role, use the **chrole** command with the **auditclasses** attribute.

WPARS Stanza

The **WPARS** stanza defines audit classes (sets of events) for each workload partition (WPAR). The classes are defined to the operating system kernel.

The **WPARS** stanza has the following format:

```
WPARS:
  wpar_name = auditclass, ... auditclass
```

Each *wpar_name* must be the WPAR name of a system. You must define each *auditclass* parameter in the **classes** stanza.

Security

Access Control: This file should grant read (r) access to the root user and members of the audit group and write (w) access only to the root user.

Event	Information
AUD_CONFIG_WR	file name

Examples

1. To define audit classes, add a line to the **classes** stanza of the **/etc/security/audit/config** file for each set of events that you want to assign to a class:

```
classes:
  general = USER_SU,PASSWORD_Change,FILE_Unlink,
           FILE_Link,FILE_Remove
  system = USER_Change,GROUP_Change,USER_Create,
           GROUP_Create
  init = USER_Login, USER_Logout
```

These specific audit events and audit classes are described in ["Setting Up Auditing"](#) in *Operating system and device management*.

2. To establish the audit activities for each user, use the **chuser** command with the **auditclasses** attribute for each user for whom you want to define audit classes (sets of audit events):

```
chuser "auditclasses=general,init,system" dave
chuser "auditclasses=general,init" mary
```

These **chuser** commands create the following lines in the **users** stanza of the **/etc/security/audit/config** file:

```
users:
  dave=general,init,system
  mary=general,init
```

This configuration includes dave, the administrator of the system, and mary, an employee who updates information.

3. To enable the auditing system, turn on bin data collection, and turn off initial stream data collection, add the following to the **start** stanza of the **/etc/security/audit/config** file:

```
start:
  binmode = on
  streammode = off
```

4. To enable the **auditbin** daemon to set up bin collection, add attributes to the **bin** stanza of the **/etc/security/audit/config** file:

```
bin:
  trail = /audit/trail
  bin1 = /audit/bin1
  bin2 = /audit/bin2
  binsize = 25000
  cmds = /etc/security/audit/bincmds
```

The attribute values in the preceding stanza enable the audit system to collect bin files of data and store the records in a long-term audit trail.

5. To enable the **auditbin** daemon to set up stream collection, add lines to the **start** and **stream** stanzas of the **/etc/security/audit/config** file:

```
start:
  streammode = on
stream:
  cmds = /etc/security/audit/streamcmds
```

6. To enable the wpar1 WPAR to audit the general, tcpip, and lvm classes, add the following lines to the **WPARS** stanza of the **/etc/security/audit/config** file:

```
WPARS:
  wpar1 = general,tcpip,lvm
```

7. To enable the virtual logs in the **auditbin** daemon for capturing audit records in a centralized place, such as a Virtual I/O Server (VIOS) system, add the following attribute to the bin stanza of the **/etc/security/audit/config** file:

```
bin:
  virtual_log = /dev/vlog0
```

Note: The **/dev/vlog0** device path is an example. The real device name might be different on each client logical partition (LPAR), based on how the virtual logs are configured from an attached VIOS system.

Files

Item	Description
/etc/security/audit/config	Specifies the path to the file.
/etc/security/audit/objects	Contains audit events for audited objects.
/etc/security/audit/events	Contains the audit events of the system.
/etc/security/audit/bincmds	Contains auditbin backend commands.
/etc/security/audit/streamcmds	Contains auditstream commands.

Related information

[audit command](#)

[auditproc subroutine](#)

[Setting Up Auditing](#)

consdef File

Purpose

Enables asynchronous tty devices to be console candidates at system boot when no console device is defined or available.

Description

The **/etc/consdef** file enables tty devices such as terminals and modems to be chosen as the console device. When the console device is undefined, the system displays a message on all natively attached graphics displays and the tty on native serial port S1. The console device is undefined when:

- The system is first installed and started.
- The console definition has been deleted from the ODM database.
- The console device has been physically removed from the system.

If any of these conditions occur, the system displays the following message:

```
***** Please define the System Console. *****
Type a Number and press <Enter> to use this terminal as the system console.
```

For high function terminals (HFTs) graphics displays, the *Number* variable refers to a function key. For asynchronous ttys, this variable is a number.

The selected item becomes the system console. To choose a non-default tty device as the system console, you must first configure the **/etc/consdef** file. This file contains stanzas that define various console attributes. Each line, or entry, in a stanza must take the form of *Attribute=Value*, and the line must not exceed 80 characters. The following attributes must be defined for each terminal device:

Attribute	Definition
connection	Identifies the type of tty interface. Valid values are <code>rs232</code> and <code>rs422</code> .
location	Specifies the location code of the terminal. Location codes of <code>00-00-S1-00</code> or <code>00-00-S2-00</code> indicate that the tty device is attached to the S1 or S2 serial port, respectively. Any other location code indicates the tty device is attached to an adapter card other than the standard I/O planar. You can display valid location values with the <code>lsdev -C grep tty</code> command.

You can also specify other terminal attributes such as **speed**, **bpc**, **stops**, **parity**, and **term**. If you do not define these attributes, the system uses the default values stored in the ODM database. The **consdef** file contains a sample stanza for the S1 port. To enable this stanza, or parts of it, remove the comment delimiters (**#**) from each applicable line.

Examples

To display the console selection message on the ttys attached to the S1 and S2 ports:

```
ALTTY:
connection=rs232
location=00-00-S1-00
speed=9600
bpc=8
stops=1
parity=none
term=ibm3163
```

```
ALTTY:
connection=rs232
location=00-00-S2-00
speed=9600
bpc=8
stops=1
```

```
parity=none
term=ibm3163
```

Note: For compatibility with earlier versions, the `ALTTTY:` keyword is not required for the first entry.

Files

Item	Description
<code>/etc/consdef</code>	Specifies the path of the consdef file.
<code>/dev/console</code>	Provides access to the system console.

Related reference

[console Special File](#)

Related information

[chcons command](#)

[lsdev command](#)

[Device location codes](#)

copyright File

Purpose

Describes the format of a copyright information file.

Description

The **copyright** file is an ASCII file used to provide a copyright notice for a package. The text may be in any format. The full file contents (including comment lines) is displayed on the terminal at the time of package installation.

ct_class_ids File

Purpose

Contains the mapping of resource class names to resource class IDs for the RMC subsystem.

Description

The `ct_class_ids` file contains the mapping of resource class names to resource class IDs for the RMC subsystem. This file is a read-only file; the contents cannot be modified.

Implementation specifics

This file is part of the Reliable Scalable Cluster Technology (RSCT) files set for AIX.

Location

`/opt/rsct/cfg/ct_class_ids`

Related information

[mkcimreg Command](#)

ct_cssk.kf File

Purpose

Contains the cluster shared secret key.

Description

In a peer domain with the cluster shared secret key (CSSK) function enabled, the configuration resource manager creates a file called `ct_cssk.kf` in the `/var/ct/domain_name/cfg` directory and stores the initial CSSK in it. A `ct_cssk.kf` file is then created on each node that is online in the peer domain.

The topology services subsystem uses the CSSK to provide message authentication, which ensures the integrity of messages that are sent between nodes within the peer domain. Once the CSSK function is enabled for a peer domain, all RMC, topology services, and group services message traffic is signed for authentication using the CSSK.

Any changes to the CSSK are coordinated across all nodes that are online in the peer domain and any offline nodes when they join the peer domain. The new key is distributed to all online nodes in the peer domain using the current CSSK. On each online node, the configuration resource manager replaces the key value in `/var/ct/domain_name/cfg/ct_cssk.kf` with the new value, and then refreshes the topology services subsystem to pick up the new key. Once refreshed, the new key is in effect for message authentication.

Security

The permissions of this file are 000. Effectively, only `root` has read and write access to this file.

Restrictions

The configuration resource manager manages this file automatically. It must not be modified by any other user or program.

Implementation specifics

This file is part of the Reliable Scalable Cluster Technology (RSCT) fileset for AIX.

Location

`/var/ct/domain_name/cfg/ct_cssk.kf`

Related information

[mkcrpdomain Command](#)

[rmcrpdomain Command](#)

[startcrpnode Command](#)

ct_has.pkf File

Purpose

Default location for the local node's cluster security services public key file.

Description

The `/var/ct/cfg/ct_has.pkf` file is the default location where the `ctcasd` daemon will expect to find the local node's public key file. The public key is stored in a proprietary binary format.

The `ctcasd.cfg` file permits the system administrator to specify an alternate location for this file. The `ctskeygen -p` command permits the administrator to create this file in an alternate location. If an

alternate location is used, the file must meet all the criteria listed in the **Security** section of this man page. The file must not be recorded to a read-only file system, because this will prohibit the system administrator for modifying the contents of this file in the future.

If the `ctcasd` daemon cannot locate this file during its startup, it will check for the presence of the `ct_has.qkf` file. If both files are missing, the daemon assumes that it is being started for the first time after installation, and create an initial private and public key file for the node. The daemon also creates the initial trusted host list file for this node. This file contains an entry for `localhost` and the host names (or IP addresses) associated with all `AF_INET`-configured adapters that the daemon can detect. This may cause inadvertent authentication failures if the public and private key files were accidentally or intentionally removed from the local system before the daemon was restarted. `ctcasd` will create new keys for the node, which will not match the keys stored on the other cluster nodes. If UNIX-identity-based authentication suddenly fails after a system restart, this is a possible source of the failure.

If the public key file is missing but the private key file is detected, the daemon concludes that the local node is misconfigured and terminates. A record is made to persistent storage to indicate the source of the failure.

Security

This file is readable to all users on the local system. Write permission is not granted to any system user.

By default, this file is stored in a locally-mounted file system. The `ctcasd.cfg` file permits system administrators to change the location of the file. Should system administrators use a different location, it is the administrator's responsibility to assure that the file is always accessible to the local node, and that all users from this local node can read the file. If the storage location does not meet these criteria, users and applications will be unable to authenticate to trusted services using UNIX-identity-based authentication.

If the system administrator chooses to place this file in a networked file system, the administrator must assure that no two nodes are attempting to use the same physical file as their own public key file. Because public keys differ between nodes, if two nodes attempt to use the same public key file, at least one of them will always obtain the incorrect value for its public key. This will cause applications and users from that node to fail authentication to trusted services within the cluster.

Restrictions

Cluster security services supports only its own private and public key formats and file formats. Secured Remote Shell formats are currently unsupported. Settings for the `HBA_USING_SSH_KEYS` attribute are ignored.

Examples

This example shows the default contents of the configuration file:

```
TRACE= ON
TRACEFILE= /var/ct/IW/log/ctsec/ctcasd/trace
TRACELEVELS= _SEC:Info=1,_SEC:Errors=1
TRACESIZE= 1003520
RQUEUE SIZE=
MAXTHREADS=
MINTHREADS=
THREADSTACK= 131072
HBA_USING_SSH_KEYS= false
HBA_PRVKEYFILE=
HBA_PUBKEYFILE=
HBA_THLFILE=
HBA_KEYGEN_METHOD= rsa512
SERVICES=hba CAS
```

After modification, the contents of the configuration file might look like this:

```
TRACE= ON
TRACEFILE= /var/ct/IW/log/ctsec/ctcasd/trace
TRACELEVELS= _SEC:Perf=1,_SEC:Errors=8
```

```

TRACE_SIZE= 1003520
RQUEUE_SIZE= 64
MAX_THREADS= 10
MIN_THREADS= 4
THREADSTACK= 131072
HBA_USING_SSH_KEYS= false
HBA_PVTKEYFILE= /var/ct/cfg/qkey
HBA_PUBKEYFILE= /var/ct/cfg/pkey
HBA_THLFILE= /var/ct/cfg/thl
HBA_KEYGEN_METHOD= rsa512
SERVICES= hba CAS

```

Location

/var/ct/cfg/ct_has.pkf

Contains the ct_has.pkf file

Files

/opt/rsct/cfg/ctcasd.cfg

Default location of the ctcasd.cfg file

ct_has.qkf File

Purpose

Default location for the cluster security services private key file for the local node.

Description

The /var/ct/cfg/ct_has.qkf file is the default location where the **ctcasd** demon expects to find the local node's private key file. The private key is stored in a proprietary binary format.

The ctcasd.cfg file permits the system administrator to specify an alternate location for this file. The ctskeygen -q command permits the administrator to create this file in an alternate location. If an alternate location is used, the file must meet all the criteria listed in the **Security** section of this man page. The file must not be recorded to a read-only file system, because this will prohibit the system administrator for modifying the contents of this file in the future

If the ctcasd demon cannot locate this file during its startup, it will check for the presence of the ct_has.pkf file. If both files are missing, the demon will assume that it is being started for the first time after installation, and create an initial private and public key file for the node. The demon also creates the initial trusted host list file for this node. This file contains an entry for localhost and the host names (or IP addresses) associated with all AF_INET-configured adapters that the demon can detect. This may cause inadvertent authentication failures if the public and private key files were accidentally or intentionally removed from the local system before the demon was restarted. ctcasd will create new keys for the node, which will not match the keys stored on the other cluster nodes. If UNIX-identity-based authentication suddenly fails after a system restart, this is a possible source of the failure.

If the private key file is missing but the public key file is detected, the demon concludes that the local node is not configured accurately and terminates. A record is made to persistent storage to indicate the source of the failure.

Security

This file is readable and accessible only to the root user. Access to all other users is not provided.

By default, this file is stored in a locally mounted file system. The ctcasd.cfg file permits system administrators to change the location of the file. Should system administrators use a different location, it is the administrator's responsibility to assure that the file is always accessible to the local node, and that only the root user from this local node can access the file. If the storage location does not meet these criteria, the security of the node and the cluster should be considered compromised.

Restrictions

Cluster security services supports only its own private and public key formats and file formats. Secured Remote Shell formats are currently unsupported. Settings for the HBA_USING_SSH_KEYS attribute are ignored.

Examples

This example shows the default contents of the configuration file:

```
TRACE= ON
TRACEFILE= /var/ct/IW/log/ctsec/ctcasd/trace
TRACELEVELS= _SEC:Info=1,_SEC:Errors=1
TRACESIZE= 1003520
RQUEUE SIZE=
MAXTHREADS=
MINTHREADS=
THREADSTACK= 131072
HBA_USING_SSH_KEYS= false
HBA_PVTKEYFILE=
HBA_PUBKEYFILE=
HBA_THLFILE=
HBA_KEYGEN_METHOD= rsa512
SERVICES=hba CAS
```

After modification, the contents of the configuration file might look like this:

```
TRACE= ON
TRACEFILE= /var/ct/IW/log/ctsec/ctcasd/trace
TRACELEVELS= _SEC:Perf=1,_SEC:Errors=8
TRACESIZE= 1003520
RQUEUE SIZE= 64
MAXTHREADS= 10
MINTHREADS= 4
THREADSTACK= 131072
HBA_USING_SSH_KEYS= false
HBA_PVTKEYFILE= /var/ct/cfg/qkey
HBA_PUBKEYFILE= /var/ct/cfg/pkey
HBA_THLFILE= /var/ct/cfg/thl
HBA_KEYGEN_METHOD= rsa512
SERVICES= hba CAS
```

Location

/opt/rsct/bin/ct_has.qkf

Location of the ct_has.qkf file.

Files

/opt/rsct/cfg/ctcasd.cfg

Default location of the ctcasd.cfg file

ct_has.thl File

Purpose

Default location for the local node's cluster security services trusted host list file.

Description

The /var/ct/cfg/ct_has.thl file is the default location where the ctcasd daemon expects to find the local node's trusted host list file. The contents of this file are stored in a proprietary binary format.

The trusted host list maps each host identity within the peer domain or management domain to the host's cluster security services public key. The ctcasd daemon uses this list to determine which nodes on the network are trusted, and to locate the public keys for these nodes in order to decrypt UNIX-identity-

based credentials transmitted from another host within the cluster. If a host is not listed in a node's trusted host list, or if the public key recorded for that host is incorrect, the host will not be able to authenticate to that node using UNIX-identity-based authentication.

The `ctcasd.cfg` file permits the system administrator to specify an alternate location for this file. If an alternate location is used, the file must meet all the criteria listed in the **Security** section of this man page. The file must not be recorded to a read-only file system, because this will prohibit the system administrator for modifying the contents of this file in the future.

If the `ctcasd` daemon cannot locate this file during its startup, it will check for the presence of the `ct_has.pkf` file. If both files are missing, the daemon will assume that it is being started for the first time after installation, and create an initial private and public key file for the node. The daemon also creates the initial trusted host list file for this node. This file contains an entry for `localhost`, along with the IP addresses and the host names associated with all `AF_INET`-configured adapters that the daemon can detect. This may cause inadvertent authentication failures if the public and private key files were accidentally or intentionally removed from the local system before the daemon was restarted. The **ctcasd** daemon creates new keys for the node, which will not match the keys stored on the other cluster nodes. If UNIX-identity-based authentication suddenly fails after a system restart, this is a possible source of the failure.

Security

This file is readable by all users on the local system. Write access is not provided to any system user.

By default, this file is stored in a locally-mounted file system. The `ctcasd.cfg` file permits system administrators to change the location of the file. If the system administrator uses a different location, it is the administrator's responsibility to make sure the file is always accessible to the local node, and that all users from this local node can access the file. If the storage location does not meet these criteria, users and applications will be unable to authenticate to trusted services using UNIX-identity-based authentication.

If the system administrator chooses to place this file in a networked file system, the administrator must assure that no two nodes are attempting to use the same physical file as their own trusted host list file, or that the file does not contain an entry for `localhost`. By default, the trusted host list contains an entry for `localhost`, which maps the local system's public key to this value. If multiple hosts share the same trusted host list file, attempts by users or applications to contact `localhost` for trusted services may fail because the entry maps to an incorrect public key value.

Restrictions

- Cluster security services supports only its own private and public key formats and file formats.
- Cluster security services does not provide an automated utility for creating, managing, and maintaining trusted host lists throughout the cluster. This is a procedure left to either the system administrator or the cluster management software.

Examples

This example shows the default contents of the configuration file:

```
TRACE= ON
TRACEFILE= /var/ct/IW/log/ctsec/ctcasd/trace
TRACELEVELS= _SEC:Info=1,_SEC:Errors=1
TRACESIZE= 1003520
RQUEUE SIZE=
MAXTHREADS=
MINTHREADS=
THREADSTACK= 131072
HBA_USING_SSH_KEYS= false
HBA_PRVKEYFILE=
HBA_PUBKEYFILE=
HBA_THLFILE=
HBA_KEYGEN_METHOD= rsa512
SERVICES=hba CAS
```

After modification, the contents of the configuration file might look like this:

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TRACELEVELS= _SEC:Perf=1,_SEC:Errors=8
TRACESIZE= 1003520
RQUEUE SIZE= 64
MAXTHREADS= 10
MINTHREADS= 4
THREADSTACK= 131072
HBA_USING_SSH_KEYS= false
HBA_PVTKEYFILE= /var/ct/cfg/qkey
HBA_PUBKEYFILE= /var/ct/cfg/pkey
HBA_THLFILE= /var/ct/cfg/thl
HBA_KEYGEN_METHOD= rsa512
SERVICES= hba CAS
```

Location

/opt/rsct/bin/ct_has.thl

Location of the `ct_has.thl` file.

Files

/opt/rsct/cfg/ctcasd.cfg

Default location of the `ctcasd.cfg` file

ctfile.cfg File

Purpose

Controls tracing and logging for various RSCT components.

Description

To initiate tracing and logging control, system administrators can create the RSCT file configuration (RFC) file, `/etc/ctfile.cfg`. A system administrator can copy a sample configuration file, `/opt/rsct/cfg/ctfile.cfg`, to the `/etc` directory, and then modify it. The control information in the configuration file takes effect the next time a specified component, a daemon, for example, is started.

RSCT components that support tracing and logging control, which are listed in the sample configuration file, obtain the following information from `/etc/ctfile.cfg`:

- An absolute path to a directory tree under which the component trace files and log files are to be written. This path can refer to a remote file system.
- A flag that indicates whether tracing is to be disabled for each component.
- A flag that indicates whether tracing is to be disabled for all RSCT components.
- When tracing is enabled, the size of a trace file for each component and each trace file. Some components write to several trace files.
- The amount of information to be traced.
- A flag that indicates whether logging is to be disabled for each component.
- A flag that indicates whether logging is to be disabled for all RSCT components.

Lines that consist of only the characters NL or white space are ignored. If the first non-white-space character of a line is the number sign character (`#`), the line is a comment, so it is ignored. All other lines must contain one or more tokens. If there is more than one token on a line, the tokens must be separated by white space. A token line can contain leading or trailing white space. White space is any mix of the blank and tab characters.

The trace and log root directory token

The trace and log root directory token is a name/value pair. The format is:

```
CT_TRACE_LOG_ROOT_DIR=path_name
```

The path name must be absolute. If this token is not specified, the trace and log root directory is assumed to be `/var/ct`. In either case, all trace and log file path names are constructed with the trace and log root directory as the path name prefix.

The trace disable token

The trace disable token is a name/value pair followed by an optional component name. The format is:

```
CT_TRACE_DISABLE={true|false} [component_name]
```

This token can be specified more than once, each on a separate line. If this token is not specified then tracing is enabled for all components that reference this file and are not otherwise specified in another trace disable token line. If this token is specified with a value of `true`, and no component name is specified, tracing is disabled for all components that reference this file and are not otherwise specified in another trace disable token line. If this token is specified with a value of `false`, and no component name is specified, then tracing is enabled for all components that reference this file and are not otherwise specified in another trace disable token line. If a component name is specified then tracing for that component is enabled or disabled to match the value `false` or `true`, respectively. For a component, the token line that specifies that component has precedence over any token line that does not specify a component. If more than one token line specifies the same component, the last such token line has precedence. Component names are the resource manager names in the case of resource managers (as derived from the resource manager `.mdef` file), `mc` in the case of the RMC daemon and `ctcasd` in the case of the cluster authentication services daemon. Specifically, the component name must be the name used in constructing the full path name of a trace file. Here is an example:

```
CT_TRACE_DISABLE=true
CT_TRACE_DISABLE=false mc
CT_TRACE_DISABLE=false IBM.MgmtDomainRM
```

Tracing is enabled for the management domain resource manager and the RMC daemon. For all other components trace is disabled.

The trace file size token

The trace file size token is a name/value pair followed by a component name and trace file name. It has the following form:

```
CT_TRACE_FILE_SIZE=nnn[K] component_name file_name
```

where *nnn* is the size of the specified trace file in bytes. If the optional `K` suffix is specified, the size is specified in units of 1024 bytes. The RSCT trace facility rounds up file sizes to a page boundary. If a trace file size token is not specified, components use the file sizes that are programmed into the component.

The trace level token

The trace level token is a name/value pair followed by a component name. The format is:

```
CT_TRACE_LEVELS=string component_name
```

The level string is in standard trace facility format, for example, `Comp_ID:category=level`. If a trace level token is not specified, components use the trace levels programmed into the component. Trace levels determine the amount of information recorded in a trace file.

The logging disable token

The logging disable token is a name/value pair followed by an optional component name. The format is:

```
CT_LOGGING_DISABLE={true|false} [component_name]
```

This token can be specified more than once, each on a separate line. If this token is not specified, logging is enabled for all components that refer to this file and are not otherwise specified in another logging disable token line. If this token is specified with a value of `true` and no component name is specified,

logging is disabled for all components that refer to this file and are not otherwise specified in another logging disable token line. If this token is specified with a value of `false` and no component name is specified, logging is enabled for all components that refer to this file and are not otherwise specified in another logging disable token line. If a component name is specified, logging for that component is enabled or disabled to match the value `false` or `true`, respectively. For a component, the token line that specifies that component has precedence over any token line that does not specify a component. If more than one token line specifies the same component, the last such token line has precedence. Component names are the resource manager names in the case of resource managers (as derived from the resource manager's `.mdef` file), `mc` in the case of the RMC daemon and `ctcasd` in the case of the cluster authentication services daemon. Specifically, the component name must be the name that is used in constructing the full path name of a logging file.

Files

`/etc/ctfile.cfg`

Location of the RSCT file configuration (RFC) file that is created by the system administrator

`/opt/rsct/cfg/ctfile.cfg`

Location of the sample `ctfile.cfg` file

Implementation specifics

This file is part of the Reliable Scalable Cluster Technology (RSCT) filesset for AIX.

Location

`/etc/ctfile.cfg`

Related information

[ctsnap Command](#)

ctgroups File

Purpose

Contains the group name of the cluster administration group.

Description

The `ctgroups` file stores the group name of the cluster administration group. In addition, `ctgroups` caches the corresponding group ID.

Implementation specifics

This file is part of the Reliable Scalable Cluster Technology (RSCT) cluster security services. It is shipped as part of the `rsct.core.sec` filesset for AIX.

Location

`/var/ct/cfg/ctgroups`

Contains the `ctgroups` file

Related information

[ctadmingroup Command](#)

ctcas_hba2.map File

Purpose

Defines the operating system identity that the RSCT enhanced host-based authentication (HBA2) security mechanism uses for service provider applications on a node.

Description

Applications that use the cluster security services library must obtain an identity from the security mechanisms supported by the library. These identities are specific to the individual security mechanisms supported by cluster security services. Because cluster security services support multiple security mechanisms and multiple applications, the cluster security services library must be informed of which identity to use for an application when interacting with a specific security mechanism on its behalf.

The `ctcas_hba2.map` file defines the identities that the core cluster applications use when they interact with RSCT HBA2. The cluster security services library expects to find this file in `/var/ct/cfg/ctcas_hba2.map` (preferred) or `/opt/rsct/cfg/ctcas_hba2.map` (default).

This file is ASCII-text formatted, and can be modified with a standard text editor. However, this file must not be modified unless the administrator is instructed to do so by the cluster software service provider. If this configuration file is to be modified, the default `/opt/rsct/cfg/ctcas_hba2.map` file must not be modified directly. Instead, the file must be copied to `/var/ct/cfg/ctcas_hba2.map`, and modifications must be made to this copy. The default configuration file must never be modified.

All entries within this file use the following format:

```
SERVICE:service_name:user_name_running_the_service
```

Attribute	Definition
SERVICE	Required keyword
<i>service_name</i>	Specifies the name commonly used to refer to the application. For example, it can be the name used by the system resource controller to refer to this application.
<i>user_name_running_the_service</i>	Specifies the operating system user identity used to run the application process. It is the owner identity that would be seen for the application process in the <code>ps</code> command output.

Files

`/var/ct/cfg/ctcas_hba2.map`

Restrictions

This file must not be modified unless the administrator is instructed to do so by the cluster software service provider. Incorrect modification of this file results in authentication failures for the applications listed in this file and possibly their client applications. If this configuration file is to be modified, the default `/opt/rsct/cfg/ctcas_hba2.map` file must not be modified directly. Instead, the file must be copied to `/var/ct/cfg/ctcas_hba2.map`, and modifications must be made to this copy. The default configuration file must never be modified.

Implementation specifics

This file is part of the Reliable Scalable Cluster Technology (RSCT) cluster security services. It is shipped as part of the `rsct.core.sec` fileset for AIX.

Location

/opt/rsct/cfg/ctcas_hba2.map

Examples

This example shows the default contents of the configuration file:

```
SERVICE:ctirmc:root
SERVICE:irmc:root
SERVICE:ctloadl:loadl
SERVICE:ctdpcl:root
SERVICE:ctpmd:root
```

Related information

[ps Command](#)

[ctcasd Command](#)

ctcasd.cfg File

Purpose

Provides operational parameters to the cluster security services daemon `ctcasd`.

Description

The `ctcasd.cfg` configuration file defines the operational parameters to the cluster security services daemon `ctcasd`. The `ctcasd` daemon reads this file when it (the daemon) initializes. The `ctcasd` daemon expects to find this configuration file in either the `/var/ct/cfg` directory (preferred) or in the `/opt/rsct/cfg` directory (default). System administrators can modify the contents of the file stored in the `/var/ct/cfg` directory, but should not modify the default version of the file in `/opt/rsct/cfg` unless instructed to do so by the cluster software service provider.

This file is ASCII-formatted, and can be modified using any available text editor. One attribute can be defined per line within this file. Attributes are specified as follows:

```
attribute=value
```

The following attributes are defined:

Attribute

Definition

TRACE

Indicates whether daemon tracing is activated. Acceptable values are ON and OFF. If the TRACE attribute is not listed in the `ctcasd.cfg` file, tracing is not activated. For coexistence with earlier versions of RSCT, `TRACE= false` is interpreted as `TRACE= OFF`.

TRACEFILE

Specifies the fully-qualified path name where daemon tracing information is to be recorded.

TRACELEVELS

Indicates the tracing granularity employed by the daemon when tracing is activated. The possible trace categories are:

_SEC:Errors

Captures error information in the trace log. Possible values are: 1, 2, 4, and 8.

_SEC:API

Tracks the entry and exit of subroutines within the daemon. Possible values are: 1 and 8.

_SEC:Perf

Captures performance-related information. Possible values are: 1, 4, and 8.

_SEC:Info

Traces the general execution progress of the daemon. Possible values are: 1, 2, 3, 4, and 7.

When setting the values of these trace categories, keep in mind that the lower the number is, the less intrusive (and less detailed) the trace will be. Multiple traces can be enabled at once. For example, if an administrator wants to enable a trace that captures basic performance data and highly-detailed error data, the specification for TRACELEVELS would be:

```
TRACELEVELS=_SEC:Perf=1,_SEC:Errors=8
```

TRACESIZE

Specifies the size of the trace file in bytes. The default value is 1 megabyte.

RQUEUESIZE

Indicates the maximum length permitted for the daemon's internal run queue. If this value is not set, a default value of 64 is used.

MAXTHREADS

The limit to the number of working threads that the daemon may create and use at any given time (the "high water mark"). If this value is not set, a default value of 10 is used.

MINTHEADS

The number of idle threads that the daemon will retain if the daemon is awaiting further work (the "low water mark"). If this value is not set, a default value of 4 is used.

THREADSTACK

Sets the internal memory used by the daemon for thread stack space. The value is expressed in bytes. If no value is specified, the default system thread stack size is used. This value should not be modified by the administrator unless instructed to do so by IBM® Service.

HBA_USING_SSH_KEYS

Indicates whether the daemon is making use of Secured Remote Shell keys. Acceptable values are `true` and `false`. If this value is not defined, a default value of `false` is used. See **Restrictions**.

HBA_PRIVKEYFILE

Provides the full path name of the file that contains the local node's private key. If this value is not set, the default location of `/var/ct/cfg/ct_has.qkf` is used.

HBA_PUBKEYFILE

Provides the full path name of the file that contains the local node's public key. If this value is not set, the default location of `/var/ct/cfg/ct_has.pkf` is used.

HBA_THLFILE

Provides the full path name of the file that contains the local node's trusted host list. If this value is not set, the default location of `/var/ct/cfg/ct_has.thl` is used.

HBA_KEYGEN_METHOD

Indicates the method to be used by `ctcasd` to generate the private and public keys of the local node if the files containing these keys do not exist. Acceptable values are those that can be provided as arguments to the `ctskeygen -m` command. If no value is provided for this attribute, the default value of `rsa1024` is used.

SERVICES

Lists the internal cluster security services library services that the daemon supports. This entry should not be modified by system administrators unless they are explicitly instructed to do so by the cluster security software service provider.

Restrictions

Cluster security services supports only its own private and public key formats and file formats. Secured Remote Shell formats are currently unsupported. Settings for the `HBA_USING_SSH_KEYS` attribute are ignored.

Examples

This example shows the default contents of the configuration file:

```
TRACE= ON
TRACEFILE= /var/ct/IW/log/ctsec/ctcasd/trace
TRACELEVELS= _SEC:Info=1,_SEC:Errors=1
TRACESIZE= 1003520
RQUEUE SIZE=
MAXTHREADS=
MINTHREADS=
THREADSTACK= 131072
HBA_USING_SSH_KEYS= false
HBA_PRIVKEYFILE=
HBA_PUBKEYFILE=
HBA_THLFILE=
HBA_KEYGEN_METHOD= rsa512
SERVICES=hba CAS
```

After modification, the contents of the configuration file might look like this:

```
TRACE= ON
TRACEFILE= /var/ct/IW/log/ctsec/ctcasd/trace
TRACELEVELS= _SEC:Perf=1,_SEC:Errors=8
TRACESIZE= 1003520
RQUEUE SIZE= 64
MAXTHREADS= 10
MINTHREADS= 4
THREADSTACK= 131072
HBA_USING_SSH_KEYS= false
HBA_PVTKEYFILE= /var/ct/cfg/qkey
HBA_PUBKEYFILE= /var/ct/cfg/pkey
HBA_THLFILE= /var/ct/cfg/thl
HBA_KEYGEN_METHOD= rsa512
SERVICES= hba CAS
```

Location

/var/ct/cfg/ctcasd.cfg

Contains the `ctcasd.cfg` file

Files

/opt/rsct/cfg/ctcasd.cfg

Default location of the `ctcasd.cfg` file

ctrmc.acls File

Purpose

Contains a node's resource monitoring and control (RMC) access control list (ACL).

Description

RMC implements authorization using an access control list (ACL) file. Specifically, RMC uses the ACL file on a particular node to determine the permissions that a user must have in order to access resource classes and their resource instances. A node's RMC ACL file is named `ctrmc.acls` and is installed in the directory `/opt/rsct/cfg`. You can allow RMC to use the default permissions set in this file, or you can modify the file after copying it to the directory `/var/ct/cfg/`. For more information, see the *RSCT: Administration Guide*.

For information about how access controls are implemented for the `IBM.LPCommands` resource class and its resources, see the `lpac1` information file.

Implementation Specifics

This file is part of the Reliable Scalable Cluster Technology (RSCT) fileset for AIX.

Location

/var/ct/cfg/ctrmc.acls

Contains the `ctrmc.acls` file

Files

/opt/rsct/cfg/ctrmc.acls

Default location of the `ctrmc.acls` file

/var/ct/IW/log/mc/default

Location of any errors found in the modified `ctrmc.acls` file

ctrmc.rio File

Purpose

Adjusts reporting intervals for resource dynamic attributes.

Description

To adjust the reporting intervals for resource dynamic attributes that are defined in a class definition file, you can create a *reporting interval override file* called `ctrmc.rio`. A *reporting interval* is the amount of time between a resource manager's sampling of values. You can set reporting intervals for all classes, a single class, or a single attribute of a class. Information in the `ctrmc.rio` file applies only to resource dynamic attributes that have reporting intervals, which have a variable type of Counter or Quantity.

The `ctrmc.rio` file is a plain text file, in which a line in the file contains two white-space-separated tokens, as follows:

```
class_name[:attr_name] reporting_interval
```

The first token is a class name as returned by the `lsrsrc` command, or, a class name followed immediately by a colon, which is followed by an optional resource dynamic attribute name as returned by the `lsrsrcldef` command. If only a class name is specified, the reporting interval applies to all resource dynamic attributes of the class that have reporting intervals. If a class name and attribute name are specified, the reporting interval applies to the named attribute only, if appropriate. If the attribute does not have a reporting interval, the line is ignored. The second token, the reporting interval, is an unsigned integral value that is interpreted as a number of seconds. If the class name, without any attribute names, is the keyword ALL, the reporting interval applies to all dynamic resource attributes of all resource classes. The last specification for an attribute applies.

In the following example:

```
Foo:larry      10
Foo            15
Foo:curly      20
```

the reporting interval would be 15 for `larry` and 20 for `curly`. All other dynamic attributes of the `Foo` class would have a reporting interval of 15. Blank lines, lines that begin with the number sign (`#`), and lines that contain unrecognized tokens are ignored.

The reporting interval override file is read by the RMC daemon upon start. If the `refresh -s ctrmc` command is started, the file is reread. In this case, any new reporting intervals apply only to future event registrations.

Implementation specifics

This file is part of the Reliable Scalable Cluster Technology (RSCT) fileset for AIX.

Location

`/var/ct/cfg/ctrmc.rio`

ctsec.cfg File

Purpose

Provides configuration information about the authentication methods that cluster security services can use for client or server authentication.

Description

The `ctsec.cfg` configuration file provides configuration information about the authentication methods that cluster security services can use for client-server authentication. Each authentication method is handled by a mechanism pluggable module (MPM). Each MPM configuration is defined by a one-line entry in the `ctsec.cfg` file. The entry contains information about:

- The priority of the MPM when cluster security services choose the authentication method for the client-server authentication
- The numeric code of the MPM, which is unique among all of the MPMs in the configuration file
- The mnemonic of the MPM, which is unique among all of the MPMs in the configuration file
- The name of the binary module that implements the function of the MPM
- Miscellaneous flags used by cluster security services mechanism abstract layer (MAL) when handling the MPM

Cluster security services include a default `ctsec.cfg` file in the `/opt/rsct/cfg/` directory. Use the `ctscfg` command to modify a working copy of this configuration file. `ctscfg` does not modify the default configuration file in `/opt/rsct/cfg/`. Instead, `ctscfg` makes a copy (if one does not exist already) of the default `ctsec.cfg` file and copies it to the `/var/ct/cfg/` directory. If a working copy of this file does exist already and there is enough space, the previous version is recorded to `/var/ct/cfg/ctsec.cfg.bak`.

Files

`/var/ct/cfg/ctsec.cfg`

Working copy of the MAL configuration file

`/var/ct/cfg/ctsec.cfg.bak`

Backup of the working copy of the MAL configuration file

Implementation specifics

This file is part of the Reliable Scalable Cluster Technology (RSCT) cluster security services. It is shipped as part of the `rsct.core.sec` fileset for AIX.

Location

`/opt/rsct/cfg/ctsec.cfg`

ctsec_map.global File

Purpose

Associates operating system user identifiers on the local system with network security identifiers for authorization purposes.

Description

RSCT trusted services use the identity mapping definition files `ctsec_map.global` and `ctsec_map.local` to determine whether an RSCT client application's user should be granted access to specific RSCT functions and resources. The file is used to associate security network identifiers that are used by RSCT's cluster security services with user identifiers on the local system. RSCT trusted services use these files to determine what association, if any, exists for the RSCT client, and then use this association while examining the RSCT access controls to determine whether the RSCT client should be granted access.

Two identity mapping definition files can be used:

- The `ctsec_map.global` file contains associations that are to be recognized on all nodes within the cluster configuration
- The `ctsec_map.local` file contains associations that are specific to a particular node

In a cluster configuration, all `ctsec_map.global` files should be the same. Any local system additions that are required for that specific system should be made in the `ctsec_map.local` file.

RSCT provides a default `ctsec_map.global` file in the `/opt/rsct/cfg` directory. Do *not* change this file. If you need to add more associations for the cluster, copy this file to the `/var/ct/cfg` directory. Make any changes to this new file: `/var/ct/cfg/ctsec_map.global`. Any entries that exist in the default `ctsec_map.global` file must exist in the replacement version of the file in the `/var/ct/cfg` directory, or the RSCT trusted services may refuse access to other RSCT trusted services peers. RSCT does not provide a default `ctsec_map.local` file. The administrator can create this file, which must reside in the `/var/ct/cfg` directory as well.

`ctsec_map.global` and `ctsec_map.local` are ASCII-formatted files that can be viewed and modified using a text editor. Each line in the file constitutes an entry. Blank lines and lines that start with a pound sign (`#`) are ignored. Each entry is used to either associate a security network identifier with a local operating system user identifier, or to expressly state that no association is allowed for a security network identifier.

Ordering of entries within these files is important. Cluster security services parses the `ctsec_map.global` and `ctsec_map.local` files as follows:

1. If the `/var/ct/cfg/ctsec_map.local` file exists, cluster security services checks for associations in this file
2. If the `/var/ct/cfg/ctsec_map.global` file exists, cluster security services checks for associations in this file
3. Otherwise, cluster security services checks for associations within the `/opt/rsct/cfg/ctsec_map.global`, if this file exists

The first entry that successfully grants or denies an association for a security network identifier in this search path is the one that cluster security services uses. If entries in both the `ctsec_map.global` and `ctsec_map.local` files grant differing associations to the same security network identifier, cluster security services will use the association stated by the entry in the `ctsec_map.local` file. Also, if two entries within the `ctsec_map.global` file grant different associations to the same security network identifier, cluster security services will use the association granted by the entry listed earlier in the `ctsec_map.global` file. You can use the `ctsidmck` command to verify the association rule that is used by cluster security services for specific security network identifiers.

Cluster security services recognizes these characters as reserved: `<`, `>`, `:`, `=`, `!`, `@`, `*`, and considers these, along with white space characters, as token separators. The wildcard character `*` is permitted, but should

not be used multiple times between other token separator characters. Contents of the identity mapping definition files use the following Backus-Nour format:

```
<mapping_entry> ::= <mechanism_mnemonic> ':' <mapping>>
<mechanism_mnemonic> ::= 'unix', 'krb5'
<mapping> ::= <explicit mapping> | <mapping_rule>
<explicit_mapping> ::= <source_mapping> '=' <local_user_identity>
                        | '!' <source_mapping>
<source_mapping> ::= <network_identity> | <match_pattern> '*'
<target_mapping> ::= <mapped_identity> | '*'
<network_identity> ::= <user_name> '@' <registry_name>
<user_name> ::= <match_pattern> '*' | '*'
<registry_name> ::= <match_pattern> | '*' | <mpm_defined_reserved_word>
<mpm_defined_reserved_word> ::= '<' <alphanumeric_string> '>'
<mapped_identity> ::= <alphanumeric_string>
<match_pattern> ::= null string | <alphanumeric_string>
<alphanumeric_string> ::= any non-empty array of alphanumeric characters not
                        consisting of the reserved token separator characters
```

An `<mpm_defined_reserved_word>` is a special instruction to the underlying security mechanism associated with the security network identifier that instructs the mechanism to interpret the identifier in a specific manner. The following reserved words are defined:

<iw>

A reserved word for security network identities using the RSCT host-based authentication (HBA) security mechanism. This keyword maps the HBA root network identity of the local node to the root user. When the cluster security services identity mapping program processes the `ctsec_map.global` file, it replaces the `<iw>` keyword with the node ID of the node.

<cluster>

A reserved word for security network identities using the HBA security mechanism. The mapping entry is applied to a security network identifier if the identifier is known to originate from any host within the cluster that is currently active for the local node.

<any_cluster>

A reserved word for security network identities using the HBA security mechanism. The mapping entry is applied to a security network identifier if the identifier is known to originate from any host within any cluster that the local node is currently defined. The local node does not need to be active within that cluster when the mapping is applied.

<realm>

A reserved word for security network identities using the Kerberos version 5 mechanism. The mapping entry is applied to a security network identity if the identifier is known to originate within the Kerberos realm that is currently active. See **Restrictions**.

Security

- The default identity mapping definition file `/opt/rsct/cfg/ctsec_map.global` is readable by all system users, but permissions prevent this file from being modified by any system user.
- When creating the override identity mapping definition files `/var/ct/cfg/ctsec_map.global` and `/var/ct/cfg/ctsec_map.local`, make sure that the files can be read by any system user, but that they can only be modified by the root user or other restrictive user identity not granted to normal system users.
- By default, these files reside in locally-mounted file systems. While it is possible to mount the `/var/ct/cfg` directory on a networked file system, this practice is discouraged. If the `/var/ct/cfg/ctsec_map.local` file were to reside in a networked file system, any node with

access to that networked directory would assume that these definitions were specific to that node alone when in reality they would be shared.

Restrictions

RSCT does not support the Kerberos version 5 mechanism. Any entries using the mechanism mnemonic `krb5` or the reserved word `<realm>` will not be applied.

Implementation Specifics

These files are part of the Reliable Scalable Cluster Technology (RSCT) cluster security services. The default file is shipped as part of the `rsct.core.sec` fileset for AIX.

Location

`/opt/rsct/cfg/ctsec_map.global`

Contains the default identity mapping definition file.

`/var/ct/cfg/ctsec_map.global`

Contains the replacement for the default global identity mapping definition file. Any entries that exist in the default `ctsec_map.global` file must be replicated in this file, or necessary access required by RSCT trusted services clients will be refused. This file contains identity mapping definitions expected to be recognized by all nodes within the cluster. It is expected that this file will have the same contents for each node within the cluster.

`/var/ct/cfg/ctsec_map.local`

Contains additional identity mapping definitions specific to the local node. This file adds identity mapping definitions to the set recognized for the entire cluster. Entries within this file are applied before entries from the `ctsec_map.global` file. It is expected that the contents of this file will vary from node to node within the cluster, and provide mappings required for clients that access the local node only.

Example

These reserved characters: `<`, `>`, `:`, `=`, `!`, and `@`, are interpreted as token separators, as are white space characters.

Examples of valid identity mapping definition entries:

`unix:zathras@epsilon3.ibm.com=zathras`

This entry grants the association for the RSCT HBA or HBA2 security mechanism identity `zathras@epsilon3.ibm.com` to the local user identifier `zathras`. This entry is not applied to other RSCT HBA or HBA2 identities.

`unix:!zathras@greatmachine.net`

This entry denies any local user identity association for the RSCT HBA or HBA2 identity `zathras@greatmachine.net`. This entry is not applied to other RSCT HBA or HBA2 identities.

`unix:entilzah@cluster=root`

The `cluster` reserved word matches any RSCT HBA or HBA2 identity containing the user name `entilzah` that originates from any host within the currently-active cluster. This grants associations for such RSCT HBA or HBA2 identities as `entilzah@anglashok.ibm.com` and `entilzah@mimbar.ibm.com` to the local user `root` when the local node is active within the cluster that also contains the hosts `anglashok.ibm.com` and `mimbar.ibm.com`. Associations will not be granted for such RSCT HBA or HBA2 identities as `entilzah@whitestar.ibm.com` if the host `whitestar.ibm.com` is not part of the cluster that is currently active.

`unix:entilzah@any_cluster=root`

The `cluster` reserved word matches any RSCT HBA or HBA2 identity containing the user name `entilzah` that originates from any host within the currently-active cluster. This grants associations for RSCT HBA or HBA2 identities such as `entilzah@anglashok.ibm.com` and `entilzah@mimbar.ibm.com` to the local user `root` when the local node is active within the cluster

that also contains the hosts `anglashok.ibm.com` and `mimbar.ibm.com`. Associations will also be granted for RSCT HBA or HBA2 identities such as `entilzah@whitestar.ibm.com` to the local user `root` if the host `whitestar.ibm.com` is part of any cluster known to the local host.

unix:zathras@*=zathras

The `*` character in this entry matches any RSCT HBA or HBA2 identity that contains the user name `zathras` from any host to the local user identifier `zathras`. This grants associations for RSCT HBA or HBA2 identities such as `zathras@epsilon3.ibm.com` and `zathras@greatmachine.net` to the local user identifier `zathras`.

unix:zathras@*.ibm.com=zathras

The `*` character in this entry will match any RSCT HBA or HBA2 identity that contains the user name `zathras` and a host name ending with an `ibm.com`® network domain to the local user identifier `zathras`. This grants associations for RSCT HBA or HBA2 identities such as `zathras@epsilon3.ibm.com` and `zathras@newibm.com` to the local user identifier `zathras`.

unix:*@epsilon3.ibm.com=zathras

The `*` character in this entry matches any RSCT HBA or HBA2 identity from the host `epsilon3.ibm.com` and associate that client to the local user `zathras`. This will grant associations for RSCT HBA or HBA2 identities such as `zathras@epsilon3.ibm.com` and `draal@epsilon3.ibm.com` to the local user identifier `zathras`.

unix:*@epsilon3.ibm.com=*

The `*` characters in this entry matches any RSCT HBA or HBA2 identity from the host `epsilon3.ibm.com` and associate that client to the local user whose name matches the user name from the security network identifier. This will grant associations for RSCT HBA or HBA2 identities such as `zathras@epsilon3.ibm.com` to the local user `zathras` and `draal@epsilon3.ibm.com` to the local user identifier `draal`.

unix:!*@epsilon3.ibm.com

The `*` characters in this entry matches any RSCT HBA or HBA2 identity from the host `epsilon3.ibm.com` and deny any association for that client to any local user. This will deny associations for RSCT HBA or HBA2 identities such as `zathras@epsilon3.ibm.com` and `draal@epsilon3.ibm.com`, but will not deny associations for the UNIX HBA network identifier `zathras@greatmachine.net`.

unix:*@*=*

The `*` characters in this entry matches any RSCT HBA or HBA2 identity from any host and associate that client to the local user whose name matches the user name from the security network identifier. This grants associations for RSCT HBA or HBA2 identities such as `zathras@epsilon3.ibm.com` to the local user `zathras` and `entilzah@anglashok.ibm.com` to the local user identifier `entilzah`.

Examples of identity mapping definition entries that are not valid:

***:zathras@epsilon3.ibm.com=zathras**

The security mechanism cannot be determined. Each entry must explicitly name a security mechanism that needs to be applied to interpret the entry.

unix:zathras@epsilon3.ibm.com=z*

The local user identity to use is ambiguous.

unix:zathras@*.ibm.*=zathras

This entry repeats wildcard characters between the token separators `@` and `=`, which makes the entry ambiguous.

unix:*athra*@epsilon3.ibm.com=zathras

This entry repeats wildcard characters between the token separators `:` and `@`, which makes the entry ambiguous.

unix:*=*

The wildcard character `*` is ambiguous. It cannot be determined if the wildcard character applies to the identity name or the identity location.

ctsec_map.local File

Purpose

Associates operating system user identifiers on the local system with network security identifiers for authorization purposes.

Description

RSCT trusted services use the identity mapping definition files `ctsec_map.global` and `ctsec_map.local` to determine whether an RSCT client application's user should be granted access to specific RSCT functions and resources. The file is used to associate security network identifiers that are used by RSCT's cluster security services with user identifiers on the local system. RSCT trusted services use these files to determine what association, if any, exists for the RSCT client, and then use this association while examining the RSCT access controls to determine whether the RSCT client should be granted access.

Two identity mapping definition files can be used:

- The `ctsec_map.global` file contains associations that are to be recognized on all nodes within the cluster configuration
- The `ctsec_map.local` file contains associations that are specific to a particular node

In a cluster configuration, all `ctsec_map.global` files should be the same. Any local system additions that are required for that specific system should be made in the `ctsec_map.local` file.

RSCT provides a default `ctsec_map.global` file in the `/opt/rsct/cfg` directory. Do *not* change this file. If you need to add more associations for the cluster, copy this file to the `/var/ct/cfg` directory. Make any changes to this new file: `/var/ct/cfg/ctsec_map.global`. Any entries that exist in the default `ctsec_map.global` file must exist in the replacement version of the file in the `/var/ct/cfg` directory, or the RSCT trusted services may refuse access to other RSCT trusted services peers. RSCT does not provide a default `ctsec_map.local` file. The administrator can create this file, which must reside in the `/var/ct/cfg` directory as well.

`ctsec_map.global` and `ctsec_map.local` are ASCII-formatted files that can be viewed and modified using a text editor. Each line in the file constitutes an entry. Blank lines and lines that start with a pound sign (`#`) are ignored. Each entry is used to either associate a security network identifier with a local operating system user identifier, or to expressly state that no association is allowed for a security network identifier.

Ordering of entries within these files is important. Cluster security services parses the `ctsec_map.global` and `ctsec_map.local` files as follows:

1. If the `/var/ct/cfg/ctsec_map.local` file exists, cluster security services checks for associations in this file
2. If the `/var/ct/cfg/ctsec_map.global` file exists, cluster security services checks for associations in this file
3. Otherwise, cluster security services checks for associations within the `/opt/rsct/cfg/ctsec_map.global`, if this file exists

The first entry that successfully grants or denies an association for a security network identifier in this search path is the one that cluster security services uses. If entries in both the `ctsec_map.global` and `ctsec_map.local` files grant differing associations to the same security network identifier, cluster security services will use the association stated by the entry in the `ctsec_map.local` file. Also, if two entries within the `ctsec_map.global` file grant different associations to the same security network identifier, cluster security services will use the association granted by the entry listed earlier in the `ctsec_map.global` file. You can use the `ctsidmck` command to verify the association rule that is used by cluster security services for specific security network identifiers.

Cluster security services recognizes these characters as reserved: `<`, `>`, `:`, `=`, `!`, `@`, `*`, and considers these, along with white space characters, as token separators. The wildcard character `*` is permitted, but should

not be used multiple times between other token separator characters. Contents of the identity mapping definition files use the following Backus-Nour format:

```
<mapping_entry> ::= <mechanism_mnemonic> ':' <mapping>>
<mechanism_mnemonic> ::= 'unix', 'krb5'
<mapping> ::= <explicit mapping> | <mapping_rule>
<explicit_mapping> ::= <source_mapping> '=' <local_user_identity>
                        | '!' <source_mapping>
<source_mapping> ::= <network_identity> | <match_pattern> '*'
<target_mapping> ::= <mapped_identity> | '*'
<network_identity> ::= <user_name> '@' <registry_name>
<user_name> ::= <match_pattern> '*' | '*'
<registry_name> ::= <match_pattern> | '*' | <mpm_defined_reserved_word>
<mpm_defined_reserved_word> ::= '<' <alphanumeric_string> '>'
<mapped_identity> ::= <alphanumeric_string>
<match_pattern> ::= null string | <alphanumeric_string>
<alphanumeric_string> ::= any non-empty array of alphanumeric characters not
                        consisting of the reserved token separator characters
```

An `<mpm_defined_reserved_word>` is a special instruction to the underlying security mechanism associated with the security network identifier that instructs the mechanism to interpret the identifier in a specific manner. The following reserved words are defined:

<iw>

A reserved word for security network identities using the RSCT host-based authentication (HBA) security mechanism. This keyword maps the HBA root network identity of the local node to the root user. When the cluster security services identity mapping program processes the `ctsec_map.global` file, it replaces the `<iw>` keyword with the node ID of the node.

<cluster>

A reserved word for security network identities using the HBA security mechanism. The mapping entry is applied to a security network identifier if the identifier is known to originate from any host within the cluster that is currently active for the local node.

<any_cluster>

A reserved word for security network identities using the HBA security mechanism. The mapping entry is applied to a security network identifier if the identifier is known to originate from any host within any cluster that the local node is currently defined. The local node does not need to be active within that cluster when the mapping is applied.

<realm>

A reserved word for security network identities using the Kerberos version 5 mechanism. The mapping entry is applied to a security network identity if the identifier is known to originate within the Kerberos realm that is currently active. See **Restrictions**.

Security

- The default identity mapping definition file `/opt/rsct/cfg/ctsec_map.global` is readable by all system users, but permissions prevent this file from being modified by any system user.
- When creating the override identity mapping definition files `/var/ct/cfg/ctsec_map.global` and `/var/ct/cfg/ctsec_map.local`, make sure that the files can be read by any system user, but that they can only be modified by the root user or other restrictive user identity not granted to normal system users.
- By default, these files reside in locally-mounted file systems. While it is possible to mount the `/var/ct/cfg` directory on a networked file system, this practice is discouraged. If the `/var/ct/cfg/ctsec_map.local` file were to reside in a networked file system, any node with

access to that networked directory would assume that these definitions were specific to that node alone when in reality they would be shared.

Restrictions

RSCT does not support the Kerberos version 5 mechanism. Any entries using the mechanism mnemonic `krb5` or the reserved word `<realm>` will not be applied.

Implementation Specifics

These files are part of the Reliable Scalable Cluster Technology (RSCT) cluster security services. The default file is shipped as part of the `rsct.core.sec` fileset for AIX.

Location

`/opt/rsct/cfg/ctsec_map.global`

Contains the default identity mapping definition file.

`/var/ct/cfg/ctsec_map.global`

Contains the replacement for the default global identity mapping definition file. Any entries that exist in the default `ctsec_map.global` file must be replicated in this file, or necessary access required by RSCT trusted services clients will be refused. This file contains identity mapping definitions expected to be recognized by all nodes within the cluster. It is expected that this file will have the same contents for each node within the cluster.

`/var/ct/cfg/ctsec_map.local`

Contains additional identity mapping definitions specific to the local node. This file adds identity mapping definitions to the set recognized for the entire cluster. Entries within this file are applied before entries from the `ctsec_map.global` file. It is expected that the contents of this file will vary from node to node within the cluster, and provide mappings required for clients that access the local node only.

Example

These reserved characters: `<`, `>`, `:`, `=`, `!`, and `@`, are interpreted as token separators, as are white space characters.

Examples of valid identity mapping definition entries:

`unix:zathras@epsilon3.ibm.com=zathras`

This entry grants the association for the RSCT HBA or HBA2 security mechanism identity `zathras@epsilon3.ibm.com` to the local user identifier `zathras`. This entry is not applied to other RSCT HBA or HBA2 identities.

`unix:!zathras@greatmachine.net`

This entry denies any local user identity association for the RSCT HBA or HBA2 identity `zathras@greatmachine.net`. This entry is not applied to other RSCT HBA or HBA2 identities.

`unix:entilzah@cluster=root`

The `cluster` reserved word matches any RSCT HBA or HBA2 identity containing the user name `entilzah` that originates from any host within the currently-active cluster. This grants associations for such RSCT HBA or HBA2 identities as `entilzah@anglashok.ibm.com` and `entilzah@mimbar.ibm.com` to the local user `root` when the local node is active within the cluster that also contains the hosts `anglashok.ibm.com` and `mimbar.ibm.com`. Associations will not be granted for such RSCT HBA or HBA2 identities as `entilzah@whitestar.ibm.com` if the host `whitestar.ibm.com` is not part of the cluster that is currently active.

`unix:entilzah@any_cluster=root`

The `cluster` reserved word matches any RSCT HBA or HBA2 identity containing the user name `entilzah` that originates from any host within the currently-active cluster. This grants associations for RSCT HBA or HBA2 identities such as `entilzah@anglashok.ibm.com` and `entilzah@mimbar.ibm.com` to the local user `root` when the local node is active within the cluster

that also contains the hosts `anglashok.ibm.com` and `mimbar.ibm.com`. Associations will also be granted for RSCT HBA or HBA2 identities such as `entilzah@whitestar.ibm.com` to the local user `root` if the host `whitestar.ibm.com` is part of any cluster known to the local host.

unix:zathras@*=zathras

The `*` character in this entry matches any RSCT HBA or HBA2 identity that contains the user name `zathras` from any host to the local user identifier `zathras`. This grants associations for RSCT HBA or HBA2 identities such as `zathras@epsilon3.ibm.com` and `zathras@greatmachine.net` to the local user identifier `zathras`.

unix:zathras@*.ibm.com=zathras

The `*` character in this entry will match any RSCT HBA or HBA2 identity that contains the user name `zathras` and a host name ending with an `ibm.com` network domain to the local user identifier `zathras`. This grants associations for RSCT HBA or HBA2 identities such as `zathras@epsilon3.ibm.com` and `zathras@newibm.com` to the local user identifier `zathras`.

unix:*@epsilon3.ibm.com=zathras

The `*` character in this entry matches any RSCT HBA or HBA2 identity from the host `epsilon3.ibm.com` and associate that client to the local user `zathras`. This will grant associations for RSCT HBA or HBA2 identities such as `zathras@epsilon3.ibm.com` and `draal@epsilon3.ibm.com` to the local user identifier `zathras`.

unix:*@epsilon3.ibm.com=*

The `*` characters in this entry matches any RSCT HBA or HBA2 identity from the host `epsilon3.ibm.com` and associate that client to the local user whose name matches the user name from the security network identifier. This will grant associations for RSCT HBA or HBA2 identities such as `zathras@epsilon3.ibm.com` to the local user `zathras` and `draal@epsilon3.ibm.com` to the local user identifier `draal`.

unix:!*@epsilon3.ibm.com

The `*` characters in this entry matches any RSCT HBA or HBA2 identity from the host `epsilon3.ibm.com` and deny any association for that client to any local user. This will deny associations for RSCT HBA or HBA2 identities such as `zathras@epsilon3.ibm.com` and `draal@epsilon3.ibm.com`, but will not deny associations for the UNIX HBA network identifier `zathras@greatmachine.net`.

unix:*@*=*

The `*` characters in this entry matches any RSCT HBA or HBA2 identity from any host and associate that client to the local user whose name matches the user name from the security network identifier. This grants associations for RSCT HBA or HBA2 identities such as `zathras@epsilon3.ibm.com` to the local user `zathras` and `entilzah@anglashok.ibm.com` to the local user identifier `entilzah`.

Examples of identity mapping definition entries that are not valid:

***:zathras@epsilon3.ibm.com=zathras**

The security mechanism cannot be determined. Each entry must explicitly name a security mechanism that needs to be applied to interpret the entry.

unix:zathras@epsilon3.ibm.com=z*

The local user identity to use is ambiguous.

unix:zathras@*.ibm.*=zathras

This entry repeats wildcard characters between the token separators `@` and `=`, which makes the entry ambiguous.

unix:*athra*@epsilon3.ibm.com=zathras

This entry repeats wildcard characters between the token separators `:` and `@`, which makes the entry ambiguous.

unix:*=*

The wildcard character `*` is ambiguous. It cannot be determined if the wildcard character applies to the identity name or the identity location.

Data (D.*) Files for BNU

Purpose

Contain data to be sent to remote systems.

Description

Data (**D.***) files contain the data to be sent to remote systems by the Basic Networking Utilities (BNU) **uucico** daemon. The full path name of a data file is a form of the following:

/var/spool/uucp/*SystemName*/D.*SystemName*xxxx###

where the *SystemName* directory and the *SystemName* portion of the file name indicate the name of the remote system. The *xxxx###* notation is the hexadecimal sequence number of the command (**C.***) file associated with that data file, for example: D . venus471afd8.

After a set period of time (specified by the **uusched** daemon), the **uucico** daemon transfers the data file to the designated system. It places the original data file in a subdirectory of the BNU spooling directory named **/var/spool/uucp/*SystemName***, where the *SystemName* directory is named for the computer that is transmitting the file, and creates a temporary (**TM.***) file to hold the original data file.

After receiving the entire file, the BNU program takes one of the three following actions:

- If the file was sent with the **uucp** command and there were no transfer problems, the program immediately renames the **TM.*** file with the appropriate data file name, such as D . venus471afd8, and sends it to the specified destination.
- If the file was sent with the **uuto** command, the BNU program also renames the temporary data file with the appropriate **D.*** file name. The program then places the data file in the **/var/spool/uucppublic** public directory, where the user receives the data file and handles it with one of the **uupick** command options.
- If there were transfer problems (such as a failed login or an unavailable device), the temporary data file remains in the spooling subdirectory. The **uudemon.cleanu** command, a shell procedure, removes these files automatically at specified intervals. They can also be removed manually.

Files

Item	Description
/etc/uucp/Systems	Describes accessible remote systems.
/var/spool/uucp/<i>SystemName</i> directory	Contains BNU command, data, and execute files.
/var/spool/uucp/<i>SystemName</i>/C.*	Contains instructions for file transfers.
/var/spool/uucp/<i>SystemName</i>/TM.*	Stores data files temporarily after they have been transferred to a remote system.
/var/spool/uucppublic/* directory	Contains files that the BNU program has transferred.

Related information

[uucp command](#)

[BNU File and Directory Structure](#)

[BNU maintenance commands](#)

/dev/hty File

Purpose

Defines the Network Terminal Accelerator adapter tty interface.

Description

The **/dev/hty*** device files define, for the host computer, the interface-to-host adapter communication channels. For each I/O device connected to the host computer through a host adapter, there must be a **/dev/hty*** device file created to allow communication between the host computer and the I/O device.

To allow for future expansion, there may be more **/dev/hty*** files than actual physical devices connected through the host adapter.

The hty ports are functionally equivalent to **/dev/tty*** device files. The minor number corresponds to the channel number, as defined in the **hty_config** file.

Files

Item	Description
/dev/hty	Specifies the path to the file.
/dev/rhp*	Adapter raw device.

Related reference

[/dev/rhp File](#)

/dev/rhp File

Purpose

Defines the Network Terminal Accelerator adapter raw interface.

Description

The **/dev/rhp*** device files define, for the host computer, the interface to the host adapters. For each host adapter installed in the host computer, there must be a **/dev/rhp*** device file created in order to allow communication between the host computer and the host adapter board.

The **/dev/rhp*** device file corresponding to a respective host adapter is used as an argument in many of the utility programs.

Files

Item	Description
/dev/rhp	Specifies the path to the file
/dev/hty	Defines the Network Terminal Accelerator adapter tty interface.

Related reference

[/dev/hty File](#)

DHCP Client Configuration File

Purpose

Default configuration information for the Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP) client program (dhcpcd).

Description

The dhcpcd configuration file contains entries for logging information, requested options, interfaces to configure, and other items.

Following are the formats for the data in the configuration file.

Comment line

The # character means that there is a comment from that point to the end of the line.

numLogFiles n

Specifies the number of log files. If 0 is specified, no log file will be maintained and no log message is displayed anywhere. *n* is the maximum number of log files maintained as the size of the most recent log file reaches its maximum size and a new log file is created.

logFileSize n

Maximum size of a log file. When the size of the most recent log file reaches this value, it is renamed and a new log file is created. *n* is measured in kilobytes(KB).

logFileName filename

Name and path of the most recent log file. Less recent log files have the number 1 to (*n* - 1) appended to their names; the larger the number, the older the file.

logItem <option name>

One item that will be logged. Multiple of these lines are allowed. This allows for the specified logging level to be turned on. The following are option names:

SYSERR

System error, at the interface to the platform

OBJERR

Object error, in between objects in the process

PROTERR

Protocol error, between client and server

WARNING

Warning, worth attention from the user

EVENT

Event occurred to the process

ACTION

Action taken by the process

INFO

Information that might be useful

ACNTING

Who was served, and when

TRACE

Code flow, for debugging.

interface <ifName>

The interface to configure DHCP on. This may be the interface that is to be configured. Multiples of these are allowed. There is a special entry, any. This tells the DHCP client to configure the first one it finds and completes successfully. If the any option is used, there should not be any other interface specified. The interface statement may be immediately followed by a pair of curly braces, in which the

options requested for this interface can be specified. Options requested within interface curly braces apply only to this interface. See [DHCP Server Configuration File](#) for a list of options and formats.

clientid <MAC | HOSTNAME>

Specifies the client id to use in all communication with the server. MAC denotes that the hardware address for the particular interface should be used as the client id. HOSTNAME denotes that the domain host name should be used as the client id. The default is MAC.

sniffer <exec string>

Specifies a string enclosed in quotes, indicating a program to execute to detect hardware failure/recovery for an interface. The dhcp client will look for signal 23(SIGIO) to indicate that the network interface is up and signal 16(SIGURG) to indicate that the network interface is down.

option <code> [<value>] [exec <string>]

Specifies an option requested by this client. Its scope is determined by whether it is inside a set of curly braces for a particular interface, or if it is outside all curly braces. If outside, it applies to all interfaces. code is the option code of the option requested. value is the requested value for that option. This value is passed to the server with the option. The value is not required. The keyword exec denotes a string following which should be executed if this option is returned by the server. This string is expected to be an executable shell script or program. An "%s" may be included in the string. If present, the value returned by the server will be provided in ascii.

vendor

Specifies the special syntax for the specification of the vendor extensions field. It is followed by a set of curly braces. Inside the curly braces, the options and values for the vendor extensions field are specified. The exec string on an option inside the vendor extensions options is not valid. It is ignored.

reject <code>

Specifies that if this option code is returned by the server, this option should be ignored by the client. Its value should not be used.

otherOptions <accept | reject>

Specifies how all other options should be handled by the client. This refers to any options not specifically requested with an "option" statement or rejected with a "reject" statement. The default is that all options are accepted.

updateDNS <string>

A string enclosed in quotes, indicating a program to execute to update the DNS server with the new inverse mapping for the IP address and names served by **dhcp**. This string should include four %s's to indicate the placement of the following information from the **dhcp** client:

hostname

Value of option 12. The value returned by the **dhcp** server is used, if one is supplied. Else, if the client specified a value in *this* file, the client-requested value is used. If neither the client specified a requested hostname nor the server supplied one, this exec string will not be executed.

domainname

Value of option 15. The value returned by the **dhcp** server is used, if one is supplied. Else, if the client specified a value in *this* file, the client-requested value is used. If neither the client specified a requested hostname nor the server supplied one, a null string (" ") will be supplied by **dhcp**. Therefore, this value is optional.

Ip Address

IP address leased to this client by the server. The string is supplied in dotted notation, for example, 9.2.23.43.

leasetime

Lease time granted by the server. This string is a decimal number representing the number of seconds of the lease.

These values are output by **dhcp** in this order:

```
hostname domainname Ip Address leasetime
```

A script **/usr/sbin/dhcpaction** has been provided with this function, as well as actions to help NIM interact with DHCP clients. Run the script as follows:

```
/usr/sbin/dhcpaction hostname domainname ipaddress  
leasetime < A | PTR | BOTH | NONE > NONIM
```

The first four parameters are what will be used to update the DNS server. The fifth parameter tells **dhcpaction** to update the A record, the PTR record, or both, or none. The options are A, PTR, BOTH, NONE. The sixth parameter is used to tell servers that NIM is being used, and processing needs to be done when a client changes address. The options for this are NIM and NONIM. On clients, this must be set to NONIM.

An example follows:

```
updateDNS "/usr/sbin/dhcpaction %s %s %s %s %s PTR  
NONIM 2>&1 >>/tmp/updns.out"
```

initTimeout <timeout>

Specifies the timeout value in minutes. If the dhcp client fails to configure an address for an interface within this timeout value, it stops making further attempts. This entry applies to systems running the AIX operating system.

This file is part of TCP/IP in Network Support Facilities in Base Operating System (BOS) Runtime.

Example

This example tells the **dhcpcd** daemon to use log files of a maximum of 100Kb in size and at most four of them.

The base name for the log files is **/usr/tmp/dhcpsd.log**. The user also would like to only log four of the nine possible log entry types. The user also specified a string to use for updating the Dynamic Domain Name Server. The user also specified that the **clientid** to the server should be based on the mac-address of the interface adapter that is trying to be configured. The user also specified that all options should be accepted and instantiated (**otheroptions accept**), except for option 9 (**reject 9**).

The options the user specified were the domain (option 15), but since this option is global to the interface keywords, it applies to both interfaces.

Inside each interface, the hostname is specified with option 12.

```
numLogFiles      4  
logFileSize      100  
logFileName      /usr/tmp/dhcpsd.log  
logItem          SYSERR  
logItem          OBJERR  
logItem          PROTERR  
logItem          TRACE
```

```
updateDNS "nsupdate -h%s -d%s -i% %s"
```

```
clientid MAC  
otheroptions accept  
reject 9
```

```
option 15 "austin.ibm.com"
```

```
interface en0  
{  
    option 12 "e-chisos"  
}
```

```
interface tr0  
{  
    option 12 "t-chisos"  
}
```

Related reference

[DHCP Server Configuration File](#)

Related information

[dhcpcd command](#)

[TCP/IP address and parameter Assignment - Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol](#)

DHCP Server Configuration File

Purpose

Defines default configuration information for the Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP) server program (dhcpcsd).

Description

The dhcpcsd configuration file contains entries for logging information, options to return, machines to configure, and other items.

Following are the formats for the data in the configuration file.

Comment line

The # character means that there is a comment from that point to the end of the line.

"Name of Resource" "<Keyword> <value> <value> ..."

The ## characters denote a named resource. This is used by the **dhcpcsd** program to allow the user to create specific resources. The data is stored in the server file so that it can be read in with the configuration file and displayed as the name and not the value in the viewing window of **dhcpcsd**.

The format of the ## line is a quoted string that is the name of the resource followed by a double-quoted string representing a valid possible line for a configuration file. The second quoted string should be syntactically correct for a line in a DHCP server configuration file. The keyword can only be option, network, subnet, class, and client.

"DHCP Server" "Any line from a server file"

The ### characters denote a server configuration file. This allows for multiple server files to be saved in one file. The **dhcpcsd** program uses this to present multiple server datasets in a master. This would be useful, if you were to define a network with 10 servers and wanted to save all the server information in one file and maintain a default server. The default server would go into the master file, and the servers would be saved in the master file with the ### characters. The **dhcpcsd** program has a function that allows you to create a specific server configuration out of the master file.

numLogFiles n

Specifies the number of log files. If 0 is specified, no log file will be maintained and no log message is displayed anywhere. *n* is the maximum number of log files maintained as the size of the most recent log file reaches its maximum size and a new log file is created.

logFileSize n

Maximum size of a log file. When the size of the most recent log file reaches this value, it is renamed and a new log file is created. *n* is measured in kilobytes(KB).

logFileName filename

Name and path of the most recent log file. Less recent log files have the number 1 to (*n* - 1) appended to their names; the larger the number, the older the file.

logItem <option name>

One item that will be logged. Multiple of these lines are allowed. This allows for the specified logging level to be turned on. The following are option names:

SYSERR

System error, at the interface to the platform

OBJERR

Object error, in between objects in the process

PROTERR

Protocol error, between client and server

WARNING

Warning, worth attention from the user

EVENT

Event occurred to the process

ACTION

Action taken by the process

INFO

Information that might be useful

ACNTING

Who was served, and when

TRACE

Code flow, for debugging.

clientrecorddb <filename>

This is the path to a file to substitute for **/etc/dhcps.cr**. Configurations that support a large number of addresses should set **clientrecorddb** and **addressrecorddb** database files in a file system with substantial free space.

addressrecorddb <filename>

This is the path to a file to substitute for **/etc/dhcps.ar**.

network <Network address> [<Subnet Mask>|<range>]

Specifies one network administered by this server. Network address is the address of this network. This address is specified in the dotted notation (for example, 9.0.0.0, 128.81.0.0, or 192.81.20.0). Full four-byte value should be specified (for example, 9, 128.81, or 192.81.20 is not legal).

Network address may optionally be followed by the subnet mask, a range, or nothing.

If a subnet mask is specified, one or more subnet statements should appear in the succeeding lines within a pair of curly braces. The subnet mask may be specified either in the dotted notation (for example, 255.255.255.128) or as a number indicating the number of 1 bits in the mask (for example, 25, which is equivalent to 255.255.255.128). The means that a network is not a collection of all subnet for a network, but all subnets with the same length subnet for that network "prefix."

If a range is specified, it determines, within the network, the range of hosts that are administered by this server, and it implies that there is no subnetting. A range is specified by the host addresses, in the dotted notation, at the lower end and the higher end of the range, respectively, separated by a hyphen with no spaces before or after it (for example, 192.81.20.1-129.81.20.128). A range must encompass all addresses to be administered because multiple network statements to define the same network are not allowed. Use the "client" statement to exclude any addresses in the range that the server should not administer.

If nothing is specified after Network address, all hosts in that network are administered by this server.

A network statement may be immediately followed by a pair of curly braces, in which parameters (for example, options) particular to this network can be specified.

subnet <Subnet address> [<range>]

One or more subnet statements are enclosed by a pair of curly braces that immediately follows a network statement with subnet mask. A subnet statement specifies one subnet within that network.

Subnet address is the address of this subnet. This address is specified in the dotted notation (for example, 9.17.32.0 or 128.81.22.0).

Subnet address may be followed by a range or nothing.

If a range is specified, it determines, within the subnet, the range of hosts that are administered by this server. A range is specified by the host addresses, in the dotted notation, at the lower end and the higher end of the range, respectively, separated by a hyphen with no spaces before or after it. A range must encompass all addresses to be administered since multiple subnet statements to define the same subnet are not allowed. Use the "client" statement to exclude any addresses in the range which the server should not administer.

If nothing is specified after Subnet address, all hosts in that subnet are administered by this server.

The ranges in two servers administering the same subnet cannot overlap. Otherwise, two hosts may be assigned the same address.

A subnet statement may be immediately followed by a pair of curly braces, in which parameters (for example, options) particular to this subnet can be specified.

class <class_name> [<range>]

Specifies a class. The class name is a simple ascii string. A class's scope is determined by the curly braces in which it is enclosed. If it is outside all curly braces, then its scope is the entire file.

A class name may be followed by a range or nothing. If a range of Ip Addresses is specified, then only addresses in that range will be assigned to clients who request this class. Note that clients who request this class, for which the subnet does not match the range, will not be processed. Bad addresses will not be given out by the server. If an address range is not specified, then addresses will be given to clients using the usual rules of assignment (by network clauses).

The class statement may be immediately followed by a pair of curly braces, in which the options particular to this class can be specified. A class may be defined within the curly braces of a subnet, but a subnet may not be defined within the curly braces of a class.

Options set up in the network or subnet containing a class definition will also apply to the class.

client <id_type> <id_value> <address>

Specifies a definition of client/address processing.

<id_type> is 0 for a string, otherwise it is one of the hardware types defined in RFC 1340 (for example, 6 for IEEE 802 networks.)

<id_value> is a character string for <id_type>=0. Typically, this would be a domain name. For a non-zero <id_type>, the <id_value> is a hexadecimal string representing the hardware address of the client.

Note: An <id_type> of 0 and an <id_value> of 0 indicates that the <address> specified should not be distributed by this server.

The <address> can be the string "none" to indicate that the client with <id_type> and <id_value> should not be serviced by this server. The <address> can be the string "any" to indicate that the server should choose an appropriate address for this client. The <address> can be an internet address in dotted notation (for example, 9.2.15.82). This will be the Ip address given to the particular client specified by <id_type> and <id_value>. As mentioned above, an <id_type> of 0 and an <id_value> of 0 indicates that the <address> specified should not be distributed by this server.

Note: If a client is configured in this way on the server, then any class information requested by the client will be ignored. No class-specific information will be processed for these clients.

The client statement may be immediately followed by a pair of curly braces, in which the options particular to this client can be specified.

A client statement with an address specified that is not part of the address pool specified in a network/subnet elsewhere in this file must contain the subnet mask option(1). For all other clients, the server will compute the subnet mask option to send the client based on the network/subnet definitions.

Note: All clients inherit all globally defined options. A client defined in a network scope will inherit options defined for that network. A client defined in a subnet scope, will inherit options defined for that subnet and encompassing network.

A class definition inside a client scope is not allowed.

The client statement may be used to configure **bootp** clients. To do this, specify all the **bootp** options using the option syntax defined below. In addition, specify an infinite lease time in the client scope with "option 51 0xffffffff". DHCP options will not be served to the **bootp** client.

nakoutofrange <option>

Specifies the behavior of the DHCP server when a client requests an IP address that this server does not administer.

When a DHCP client moves from one DHCP domain to a new DHCP domain, the client requests its previous IP address from the new DHCP server. By default, the DHCP server ignores such requests without sending a refusal (DHCP NAK). The **nakoutofrange** policy in the AIX DHCP server enables the DHCP administrator to force the server to send refusals to clients in such situations, and to force the clients to request new addresses and configurations.

You can place the **nakoutofrange** option either inside a subnet scope or in the global scope. Each option and its placement have specific implications to the behavior of the DHCP server. The following options are available:

none

This is the default setting when the **nakoutofrange** keyword is not present. A DHCP server sends a DHCP NAK response when a client asks for an address that the server controls and that the client cannot use. For example, a client requests an address that another client is using.

Note: To use a policy other than **none** in the global area, you must understand the network topology and ensure that clients of the DHCP server can reach the DHCP server from any network access point.

insubnet

If a client requests an address that matches the subnet from which the client is broadcasting, but the address does not fall within the controlled IP address ranges of that subnet, the DHCP server sends a DHCP NAK response to the client.

Note: Do not use this option when multiple DHCP servers are controlling separate IP address ranges on the same subnet, unless every access point to the subnet can only reach one of the DHCP servers.

notinsubnet

The DHCP server sends a DHCP NAK response to a client that is requesting an address that does not match the subnet from which the client is broadcasting. When this option is placed outside the subnet scope, the DHCP NAK response is sent when the client's broadcast is received from a subnet that is not controlled by the server.

Note: When this option is placed inside the subnet scope, it should be used when there are no other logical subnets on the client's network segment that are administered through any DHCP server.

both

The DHCP server sends a DHCP NAK response to a client that is requesting an address that the server cannot assign to the client. Placing this option inside a subnet scope combines the implications of placing the **notinsubnet** option and the **insubnet** option inside the subnet scope. Place this option inside a subnet scope when the configured DHCP server is the only DHCP server capable of assigning an address to a client broadcasting from any of the network access points on the subnet. This option should be placed globally only when the configured DHCP server is the only reachable DHCP server from any of the network access points.

The following is an example of the **nakoutofrange** option:

```
nakoutofrange none
  subnet 192.1.1.0 255.255.255.0 192.1.1.5-192.1.1.254
  {
    nakoutofrange both
    # ... options ...
  }
  subnet 12.1.10.0 255.255.255.0 12.1.10.5-12.1.10.150
  {
    # another server controls addresses 12.1.10.151-12.1.10.254
    nakoutofrange notinsubnet
    # ... options ...
  }
```

Note: A typical configuration is to use the **both** option inside all subnet scopes and to leave the default **none** option enforced in the global scope.

option <code> <value>

This parameter specifies the value of an option defined in "DHCP Options and BOOTP Vendor Extensions" (RFC 1533) and supported by this server.

An option is specified by the "option" keyword followed by the option code of this option and its data field, in a single line. One or more of this parameter may be specified.

The scope within which an option applies is delimited by a pair of curly braces ({, }) surrounding this parameter.

Two or more options with the same option code may be specified. Their data fields are concatenated in a single option in a packet generated by the server if the options have the same scope or one's scope includes that of another.

Some of the defined options do not need to be specified by this parameter. These options are either mandated by the protocol or this implementation to be present in proper packets, or only generated by a client. These options are:

Option Code	Name
0	Pad Option
255	End Option
1	Subnet Mask
50	Request IP Address
51	IP Address Lease Time
52	Option Overload
53	DHCP Message Type
54	Server Identifier
55	Parameter Request List
57	Maximum DHCP Message Size
58	Renewal (T1) Time Value
59	Rebinding (T2) Time Value
60	Class identifier of client
61	Client identifier

The other options may be specified by this parameter.

When specifying an option, its data field takes one of the following formats:

IP Address

xxx.xxx.xxx.xxx

IP Addresses

[xxx.xxx.xxx.xxx ...]

IP Address Pair

[ip address:ip address]

IP Address Pairs

[[ip address:ip address] ...]

Boolean

[0, 1]

Byte

[-128, 127]

Unsigned Byte

[0, 255]

Unsigned Bytes

[[0, 255] [0, 255] ...]

Short

[-32768, 32767]

Unsigned Short

[0, 65535]

Unsigned Shorts

[[0, 65535] [0, 65536]

Long

[-2147483648, 2147483647]

Unsigned Long

[0, 4294967295]

String

"Value Here"

Note: All IP addresses are specified in dotted-decimal form.

Each of the defined options is listed below by its code and name, followed by the format of its data field. These are specified in latest Vendor Extensions RFC.

Code	Name	Data Field Format and Notes
0	Pad Option	No need to specify
255	End Option	No need to specify
1	Subnet Mask	Unsigned Long
2	Time Offset	Long
3	Router Option	IP Addresses
4	Timer Server Option	IP Addresses
5	Name Server Option	IP Addresses
6	Domain Name Server Option	IP Addresses
7	Log Server Option	IP Addresses
8	Cookie Server Option	IP Addresses
9	LPR Server Option	IP Addresses
10	Impress Server Option	IP Addresses
11	Resource Location Server Option	IP Addresses
12	Host Name Option	String
13	Boot File Size Option	Unsigned Short
14	Merit Dump File	String
15	Domain Name	String
16	Swap Server	IP Address
17	Root Path	String

Code	Name	Data Field Format and Notes
18	Extensions Path	String

IP Layer Parameters per Host

Code	Name	Data Field Format and Notes
19	IP Forwarding Enable/Disable Option	Boolean
20	Non-local Source Routing Enable/Disable Option	Boolean
21	Policy Filter Option	IP Address Pairs
22	Maximum Datagram Reassembly Size	Unsigned Short
23	Default IP Time-to-live	Unsigned Byte
24	Path MTU Aging Timeout Option	Unsigned Long
25	Path MTU Plateau Table	Unsigned Shorts

IP Layer Parameters per Interface

Code	Name	Data Field Format and Notes
26	Interface MTU Option	Unsigned Short
27	All Subnets are Local Option	Boolean
28	Broadcast Address Option	IP Address
29	Perform Mask Discovery Option	Boolean
30	Mask Supplier Option	Boolean
31	Perform Router Discovery Option	Boolean
32	Router Solicitation Address Option	IP Address
33	Static Route Option	IP Address Pairs

Link Layer Parameters per Interface

Code	Name	Data Field Format and Notes
34	Trailer Encapsulation Option	Boolean
35	ARP Cache Timeout Option	Unsigned Long
36	Ethernet Encapsulation Option	Boolean

TCP Parameters

Code	Name	Data Field Format and Notes
37	TCP Default TTL Option	Unsigned Byte
38	TCP Keepalive Interval Option	Unsigned Long
39	TCP Keepalive Garbage Option	Boolean

Application and Service Parameters

Code	Name	Data Field Format and Notes
40	NIS Domain Option	String
41	NIS Option	IP Addresses
42	Network Time Protocol Servers Option	IP Addresses
43	Vendor Specific Information	Unsigned Bytes
44	NetBIOS over TCP/IP Name Server Option	IP Addresses
45	NetBIOS over TCP/IP Datagram Distribution Server	IP Addresses
46	NetBIOS over TCP/IP Node Type Option	Unsigned Byte
47	NetBIOS over TCP/IP Scope Option	Unsigned Bytes
48	X Window System Font Server Option	IP Addresses
49	X Window System Display Manager Option	IP Addresses

DHCP Extensions

Code	Name	Data Field Format and Notes
50	Request IP Address	No need to specify
51	IP Address Lease Time	Unsigned Long
52	Option Overload	No need to specify
53	DHCP Message Type	No need to specify
54	Server Identifier	No need to specify
55	Parameter Request List	No need to specify
56	Message	String
57	Maximum DHCP Message Size	No need to specify
58	Renewal (T1) Time Value	No need to specify
59	Rebinding (T2) Time Value	No need to specify
60	Class Identifier of Client	Generated by client
61	Client Identifier	Generated by client

BOOTP Specific Options

Code	Name	Data Field Format and Notes
sa	Server Address for the BOOTP client to use	IP Address
bf	Bootfile for the BOOTP client to use	String

Code	Name	Data Field Format and Notes
hd	Home Directory for the BOOTP client to search for the bootfile	String

Following is an example of BOOTP specific options:

```
option sa 1.1.2.2
option hd "/vikings/native"
option bf "bootfile.asdg"
```

Other option numbers may be specified, up to a maximum of 255. The options not listed above must be specified with the unsigned byte list type. Following is an example:

```
option 178 01 34 53 # Means place tag 178 with value
0x013553
```

leaseTimeDefault <amount>[<unit>]

Specifies the default lease duration for the leases issued by this server. In the absence of any more specific lease duration (for example, lease duration for specific client(s) or class of clients), the lease duration specified by this parameter takes effect.

The amount is specified by a decimal number. The unit is one of the following (plural is accepted):

- year
- month
- week
- day
- hour
- minute (default if unit is absent)
- second

There is at least one white space in between the amount and unit. Only the first amount following the keyword has effect.

If this parameter is not specified, the default lease duration is one (1) hour.

This parameter should appear outside of any pair of curly braces, for example, it applies to all leases issued by this server.

Note: This keyword only applies to the default for all addresses. To specify a specific lease time for a subnet, network, class or client, use the usual "option 51 value" to specify that lease time (in seconds).

leaseExpireInterval <amount> [<unit>]

Specifies the time interval at which the lease expiration condition is examined, and if a running lease meets such condition, it is expired. The value of this parameter applies to all leases administered by this server.

The amount is specified by a decimal number. The unit is one of the following (plural is accepted):

- year
- month
- week
- day
- hour
- minute (default if unit is absent)
- second

There is at least one white space in between the amount and unit. Only the first amount following the keyword has effect.

If this parameter is not specified, the default interval is one (1) minute.

This parameter should appear outside of any pair of curly braces, for example it applies to all leases issued by this server.

The value of this parameter *should* be in proportion with that of parameter `leaseTimeDefault` so that the expirations of leases are recognized in time.

supportBOOTP [yes | no]

Indicates to the server whether or not to support requests from BOOTP clients.

If yes is specified, the server will support BOOTP clients.

If the value field is not a yes, or the keyword is omitted, the server will not support BOOTP clients.

The scope of this parameter covers all the networks and subnets administered by this server.

If the server previously supported BOOTP clients and has been reconfigured not to support BOOTP clients, the address binding for a BOOTP client established before the reconfiguration, if any, will still be maintained until the time when that BOOTP client sends a request again (when it is rebooting.) At that time, the server will not respond, and the binding will be removed.

supportunlistedClients [yes | no]

Indicates to the server whether or not to support requests from clients that are not specifically configured with their own individual client statements in the server.

If yes is specified, the server will support unlisted clients.

If the value field is anything other than yes, the server will not support unlisted clients.

If this keyword is not found in the file, the server *will* support clients not specifically configured with a client statement.

updateDNS <string>

A string enclosed in quotes, indicating a program to execute to update the DNS server with the new inverse mapping for the IP address and names served by **dhcp**. This string should include four %s's to indicate the placement of the following information from the **dhcp** client:

hostname

Value of option 12. The value returned by the **dhcp** server is used, if one is supplied. Else, if the client specified a value in *this* file, the client-requested value is used. If neither the client specified a requested hostname nor the server supplied one, this exec string will not be executed.

domainname

Value of option 15. The value returned by the **dhcp** server is used, if one is supplied. Else, if the client specified a value in *this* file, the client-requested value is used. If neither the client specified a requested hostname nor the server supplied one, a null string (" ") is supplied by **dhcp**. This may cause the update of address records to fail.

Ip Address

IP address leased to this client by the server. The string is supplied in dotted notation, for example, 9.2.23.43.

leasetime

Lease time granted by the server. This string is a decimal number representing the number of seconds of the lease.

These values are output by **dhcp** in this order:

```
hostname domainname Ip Address leasetime
```

A script **/usr/sbin/dhcpaction** has been provided with this function, as well as actions to help NIM interact with DHCP clients. Run the script as follows:

```
/usr/sbin/dhcpaction hostname domainname ipaddress
leasetime < A | PTR | BOTH | NONE > < NONIM | NIM >
```

The first four parameters are what will be used to update the DNS server. The fifth parameter tells **dhcpaction** to update the A record, the PTR record, or both, or none. The options are A, PTR, BOTH, NONE. The sixth parameter is used to tell servers that NIM is being used, and processing needs to be done when a client changes address. The options for this are NIM and NONIM.

An example follows:

```
updatedns "/usr/sbin/dhcpaction %s %s %s %s %s PTR
NONIM 2>&1 >>/tmp/updns.out"
```

Examples

1. In this example, we are setting up a server with a default lease time of 30 minutes. This means that any address that doesn't explicitly have a lease time set in a network, class, client, or subnet scope, will get 30 minutes. We are also setting the time between server address expiration checks to 3 minutes. This means that every 3 minutes, the server will check to see if an address has expired and mark it as expired. We are also saying the server should accept BOOTP requests and accept any client that matches the normal address assignment scheme. The normal address assignment scheme means that an address and options are assigned based on the network/subnet that the client is on.

We are also setting up two global options that should apply to all clients we serve. We are saying that there is a printer at 10.11.12.13 for everyone to use and the global domain name is dreampark. We are defining one network that has subnetting on the first 24 bits.

Thus, the network we are defining has some number of subnets and all the subnets we are specifying in this network scope have netmask of 255.255.255.0. Under that network, we are defining some options for that network and some subnets. The subnets define the actual addresses available for distribution. There are two subnets. Inside the second subnet, there is a class. The class information only applies to hosts on the second subnet that request that class. If that class is asked for the host, it will get two netbios options. If the address is in the first subnet, it will get the options in the subnet clause, which are nothing. If the host is in the second subnet, it will get all the options in the clause for the second subnet. If it also has the class, it will get the class options. If options are repeated with the same scope or a sub-scope, these options are concatenated together and set as one option. All hosts given an address from one of the two subnets will receive the options that are in the network scope.

```
leaseTimeDefault          30 minutes
leaseExpireInterval       3 minutes
supportBOOTP              yes
supportUnlistedClients    yes

option 9                  10.11.12.13      # printer for all
option 15                  dreampark       # domain
name

network 9.0.0.0 24
{
    subnet 9.2.218.0       9.2.218.1-9.2.218.128
    subnet 9.67.112.0      9.67.112.1-9.67.112.64
    {
        option 28          9.67.112.127    # broadcast address
        option 9           9.67.112.1      # printer 1
        option 9           9.67.112.2      # printer 2
        option 15          sandbox.        # domain name
        class netbios_host
        {
            #Netbi ov tcp/ip name server
            option 44 9.67.112.125
            Netbi over tcp/ip node type
            option 46 2
        }
    }

    option 15              toyland          # domain name
    option 9               9.68.111.128     # printer 3
    option 33              1.2.3.4:9.8.7.1  # route to the moon
}
```

```

        option 33          5.6.7.8:9.8.7.2          # route to the mars
        # routes to black holes
        option 3           11.22.33.44      55.66.77.88
    }

```

2. In this example, we see the output of the **dhcpcsf** command. This format is more used by the **dhcpcsf** GUI to store information. This format allows for multiple configurations. The **dhcpcsf** GUI can in turn generate the specific server files for an individual server. The file specifies two of DHCP Servers, Greg and Fred. Each contain the definitions for the two servers. The **dhcpcsf** command can generate files specifically for Greg or Fred. The **dhcpcsf** command will also use the named resources (## sections) to display network pieces that have been named by the administrator.

The DHCP server Greg is responsible for network 9.3.145.0, subnet mask 255.255.255.192. The DHCP server Fred is responsible for network 9.3.146.128, subnet mask 255.255.255.240. Each server provides its own domain name. Other options named and unnamed may be placed in the server's configuration section.

Note: This format is used by **dhcpcsf**, which generates the appropriate configuration files for DHCP servers Greg and Fred.

```

# Named resources Section
## "Network 1 Subnet Netmask" "option 1 255.255.255.192"
## "Network 2 Subnet Netmask" "option 1 255.255.255.240"
## "Network 1 Domain Name" "option 15 "bizarro.austin.ibm.com""
## "Network 2 Domain Name" "option 15 "superman.austin.ibm.com""
## "Network 1 Network" "network 9.3.145.0 26"
## "Network 2 Network" "network 9.3.146.128 27"

#### "DHCP Server Greg" "logItem SYSERR"
#### "DHCP Server Greg" "numlogfiles 6"
#### "DHCP Server Greg" "logfilesize 100"
#### "DHCP Server Greg" "logfilename /usr/tmp/dhcpgreg.log"
#### "DHCP Server Greg" "network 9.3.145.0 26"
#### "DHCP Server Greg" "{"
#### "DHCP Server Greg" "option 15 "bizarro.austin.ibm.com""
#### "DHCP Server Greg" "}"
#### "DHCP Server Fred" "logItem SYSERR"
#### "DHCP Server Fred" "logItem OBJERR"
#### "DHCP Server Fred" "numlogfiles 3"
#### "DHCP Server Fred" "logfilesize 50"
#### "DHCP Server Fred" "logfilename /usr/tmp/dhcpfred.log"
#### "DHCP Server Fred" "network 9.3.146.128 27"
#### "DHCP Server Fred" "{"
#### "DHCP Server Fred" "option 15 "superman.austin.ibm.com""
#### "DHCP Server Fred" "}"

```

Related reference

[DHCP Client Configuration File](#)

Related information

[dhcpcsd command](#)

[TCP/IP Address and Parameter Assignment - Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol](#)

[Problems with Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol \(DHCP\)](#)

depend File

Purpose

Describes the format of a software dependencies file.

Description

The **depend** file is an ASCII file used to specify information concerning software dependencies for a particular package. The file is created by a software developer.

Each entry in the **depend** file describes a single software package. The instance of the package is described after the entry line by giving the package architecture and/or version. The format of each entry and subsequent instance definition is:

```
type pkg name
```

The fields are:

Entry Definition

type Defines the dependency type. This must be one of the following:

P

Indicates a prerequisite for installation, for example, the referenced package or versions must be installed.

I

Implies that the existence of the indicated package or version is incompatible. See also the **X** tag.

X

Implies that the existence of the indicated package or version is incompatible. This tag should be used instead of the **I** tag.

R

Indicates a reverse dependency. Instead of defining the packages own dependencies, this designates that another package depends on this one. This type should be used only when an old package does not have a *depend* file but it relies on the newer package nonetheless. Therefore, the present package should not be removed if the designated old package is still on the system since, if it is removed, the old package will no longer work.

S

Indicates a superseding dependency. It should be used when an earlier package has been superseded by the current package.

pkg Indicates the package abbreviation.

name Specifies the full package name.

Dependency checks may be disabled using the **admin** file.

Examples

Shown below is an example of a *depend* file (for the NFS package):

```
P  base   Base System
P  nsu    Networking Support Utilities
P  inet   Internet Utilities
P  rpc    Remote Procedure Call Utilities
P  dfs    Distributed File System Utilities
```

Related reference

[compver File](#)

[admin File](#)

devexports File

Purpose

Lists all devices that can be exported into workload partitions, and lists the devices that are exported by default.

Description

A **devexports** file is a stanza file containing a list of global devices that can be legally exported to workload partitions (WPAR). Devices are specified by name, which can contain shell-style wildcards. **devexports** stanzas have the following format:

```
name:
  value = "{/dev/devname}"
  auto = "{yes|no}"
```

The stanza header is always **name**. The **value** attribute contains the full path to the device (for example, /dev/null) or a shell-style pattern representing multiple devices (for example, /dev/*random). The existence of the stanza in the file indicates that one or more devices can be exported. The **auto** attribute indicates whether the device is exported by default. If the **auto** attribute is not specified, **auto=yes** is assumed.

You can configure a workload partition with a **devexports** file using the **-b** flag of the **mkwpar** command or the **restwpar** command. If you do not specify the file, the **/etc/wpars/devexports** file is used by default.

The **-D** flag of the **mkwpar** command can override the default exporting behavior that the **auto** attribute indicates. However, devices that are not represented in the **devexports** file related to the WPAR cannot be exported.

Device exports are synchronized when you run the **startwpar** command, in case configurations have changed since the last run command. Device exports are resynchronized when you run the **chwp** command to change device-related settings using the **-D** flag.

Related information

[chwp command](#)

[mkwpar command](#)

[restwpar command](#)

[startwpar command](#)

dir File

Purpose

Describes the format of a directory.

Syntax

```
#include <sys/dir.h>
```

Description

A directory is a file that contains information and structures necessary to define a file hierarchy. A file is interpreted as a directory by the system if it has the **S_IFDIR** file mode. All modifications to the structure of a directory must be performed under the control of the operating system.

The directory file format accommodates component names of up to 256 characters. This is accomplished through the use of a variable-length structure to describe individual directory entries. The structure of a directory entry follows.

Note: This structure is a file system-specific data structure. It is recommended that file system-independent application programs use the file system-independent **direct** structure and its associated library support routines.

```
struct direct {
    ino_t      d_ino;
    ushort    d_reclen;
    ushort    d_namelen;
```

```
    char    d_name[256];  
};
```

By convention, the first two entries in each directory are `.` (dot) and `..` (dot dot). The `.` (dot) is an entry for the directory itself. The `..` (dot dot) entry is for the parent directory. Within the root (`/`) directory the meaning of `..` (dot dot) is modified; because there is no parent directory, the `..` (dot dot) entry has the same meaning as the `.` (dot) entry.

The **DIRSIZ** (*dp*) macro gives the amount of space required to represent a directory entry. The *dp* argument is a pointer to a **direct** structure.

Related reference

[dirent.h File](#)

[filsys.h File](#)

[inode.h File](#)

Related information

[opendir, readdir, telldir, seekdir, rewinddir, or closedir subroutines](#)

[File systems](#)

[Directories command](#)

[Files command](#)

/etc/security/domains File

Purpose

Contains the list of valid domains.

Description

The **/etc/security/domains** file stores the list of valid, user-defined domains available on a system. A domain administrator can modify domains. You can add new domains to this file using the **mkdom** command and modify authorizations using the **chdom** command.

A maximum of 1024 domains are supported.

The **/etc/security/domains** is an ASCII file that uses a stanza for each domain. Each stanza is identified by the domain name followed by a colon (**:**) . You can list domain attributes individually as Attribute=Value pairs on subsequent lines. Each attribute pair ends with a newline character, as does each stanza. For an example of a stanza, see [“Examples” on page 76](#).

When the system is operating in EnhancedRBAC Mode, changes that you make to the domains file do not impact security considerations until you send the entire domain database to the Kernel Security Tables using the **setkst** command, or until the system is rebooted.

Modifying and listing entries in the domains file

Do not directly edit the **/etc/security/domobs file** file. Use the following commands and subroutines to manipulate the authorization database:

mkdom

Adds new domains to the **/etc/security/domains** file.

chdom

Changes domain attributes.

lsdom

Displays domain that are defined in this file.

rmdom

Removes entries from this file.

To write programs that affect entries in the **/etc/security/domains** use one or more of the following subroutines:

- **getdomattr**
- **getdomattrs**
- **putdomattr**
- **putdomattrs**

Attributes

A stanza in **/etc/security/domains** file contains one or more of the following attributes :

Attribute	Definition
id	Specifies the unique numeric ID of the domain. This is a required attribute and is used internally for security decisions. Do not modify this ID after creating the domain. The value is a unique decimal integer greater than 0. The maximum value of the id can be 1024.
dfltmmsg	Specifies the default domain-description text if message catalogs are not in use. The value is a character string.
msgcat	Specifies the file name of the message catalog that contains the one-line description of the authorization. The value is a character string.
msgset	Specifies the message set that contains the authorization description in the message catalog. The value is a decimal integer.
msgnum	Specifies the message ID that contains the domain description in the message catalog. The value is a decimal integer.

Security

The root user and the security group own this file. This file grants read and write access to the root user. Access for other users and groups depends on the security policy for the system.

Examples

The following example for the custom authorization displays a typical stanza in the file:

```
INTRANET:
id = 1
dfltmmsg = "Custom Authorization"
msgcat = "custom_auths.cat"
msgset = 1
msgnum = 5
```

Related information

[getdomattr subroutine](#)

[mkdom command](#)

[chdom command](#)

[Role Based Access Control \(RBAC\)](#)

/etc/security/domobjs File

Purpose

Contains security attributes for domain-assigned objects.

Description

The **/etc/security/domobjs** file is an ASCII stanza file that contains domain-assigned objects and their security attributes. Each stanza in the **/etc/security/domobjs** file is identified by the full path name to the command, followed by a colon (:). Each stanza contains attributes in the Attribute=Value form. The path name must be the absolute path to the objects if the object is of type file or device and cannot contain symbolic links. Each Attribute=Value pair is ended by a newline character, and each stanza is ended by an additional newline character. For an example of a stanza, see [“Examples” on page 78](#).

Note: Domains are not inheritable.

Changes made to the **domobjs** file do not impact security considerations until the entire domain-assigned object database is sent to the Kernel Security Tables through the **setkst** command or until the system is rebooted.

Modifying and Listing Entries in the privcmds File

Do not directly edit the **/etc/security/domobjs** file. Use the following commands and subroutines to manipulate the authorization database:

setsecattr

Adds a command entry to, or changes a command entry in, the **/etc/security/domobjs** file.

lssecattr

Displays attributes and their values.

rmsecattr

Removes a command from the domobjs file.

To write programs that affect entries in the **/etc/security/domobjs** file, use one or more of the following subroutines:

- **getobjattr**
- **getobjattrs**
- **putobjattr**
- **putobjattrs**

Attributes

A stanza in this file contains one or more of the following security attributes:

Attribute	Definition
domains	Defines the list of domains that are allowed access to the object.
conflictsets	Defines the list of domains that are forbidden from accessing the object.
objtype	Defines the type of the object. Valid values are : <ul style="list-style-type: none">netint For network interfacesdevice For block and other devices. The full path to the device should be provided.files For regular files and directories. The full path should be provided to the object name.netport For ports and port ranges. The port number or range of ports should be prefixed with TCP_ or UDP_

Attribute	Definition
secflags	<p>The security flags for the object. Valid values are FSF_DOM_ALL and FSF_DOM_ANY. It modifies the access behaviour only for the domains attribute. If the value is FSF_DOM_ANY any user/process having any of the domains listed in the attribute domains can access the object. The FSF_DOM_ALL mandates that the user/process accessing the object must have all the domains as listed in the domains attribute.</p> <p>If not provided the default of FSF_DOM_ALL is assumed.</p>

Security

The root user and the security group own this file. Read and write access is granted to the root user. Access for other users and groups depends on the security policy for the system.

Examples

The following example for an object displays a typical stanza in the file:

```
/usr/local/share/myfile:
domains=INTRANET,APPLICATION
conflictsets=INTERNET
objtype=file
secflags=FSF_DOM_ANY
```

This entry indicates that a user or process desiring access to this object must belong to one of the domains INTRANET or APPLICATION and should not belong to the INTERNET domain

Related information

[getobjattr subroutine](#)
[setsecattr command](#)
[lssecattr command](#)
[rmsecattr command](#)

dpid2.conf File

Purpose

Defines the configuration parameters for the **dpid2** daemon.

Description

The **dpid2.conf** file provides the configuration information for the **dpid2** daemon. Stop the daemon using the **stopsrc** command and start it using the **startsrc** command if there are changes to the configuration file. The daemon should be under the System Resource Control (SRC) for issuing these start or stop commands.

Keywords

The directives are specified in the form *<keyword>=<value>*. The following keyword is case-insensitive:

dpiTimeout

Specifies the timeout in seconds that the **dpid2** daemon waits for the arrival of data from subagents. The default value is 8 seconds. The maximum timeout value is 600 seconds. If you specify any value less than or equal to zero, the default value is taken for processing.

Note: This sample configuration file is in the **/usr/samples/snmpd/dpi2** directory. You must copy the configuration file to the **/etc** directory to use the configurable parameter *dpiTimeout*.

Examples

The following example sets the configurable parameter *dpiTimeOut* to the maximum value of 600 seconds.

```
dpiTimeOut=600
```

Files

Item	Description
/etc/dpid2.conf	Defines the configuration parameters for the dpid2 daemon.

Related information

[dpid2 command](#)

dsinfo File

Purpose

Contains the terminal descriptions for the **Dynamic Screen** utility.

Description

The **dsinfo** file is a database of terminal descriptions used by the **Dynamic Screen** utility. A terminal description typically contains the following configuration information:

- Keys defined for specific use with the **Dynamic Screen** utility and their function
- Number of pages of screen memory available to the terminal
- Code sequences that must be sent or received to access and use Dynamic Screen features

The **dscscreen** command reads the appropriate configuration information from the **dsinfo** file to start the **Dynamic Screen** utility.

Entry Format

Line entries in the **dsinfo** file consist of a number of definition fields separated by commas. The first-line field entries are alternate screen names for the terminal. The screen name fields are separated by a | (pipe symbol).

Other line fields are strings describing the capabilities of the terminal definition to the **Dynamic Screen** utility. The following escape codes are recognized within these strings:

Escape Code	Meaning
\E,\e	Escape
\n,\l	New line
\r	Carriage return
\t	Tab
\b	Backspace
\f	Form feed
\s	Space
\nnn	Character with octal value <i>nnn</i>
^x	Ctrl-x for any appropriate x.

Any other character preceded by a \ (backslash) yields the character itself.

Strings must be entered as the *type=string* parameter, where *type* is the string type and *string* is the string value.

If information is not entered into a string field, a comma is still used to designate the existence of the field.

String Types and String Values

The following string types are available:

String Type Meaning

dskx Describes the action assigned to a key. This string type contains 4 characters. The 4th character indicates the action to be taken when the keystroke is received by the screen:

Key Type	Action
dskb	Block input and output.
dskc	Start a new screen.
dske	End the Dynamic Screen utility (exit code 0).
dskl	List keys and actions.
dskp	Switch to previous screen.
dskq	Quit Dynamic Screen utility (exit code 1).
dsk s	Select a specific screen.

Currently, the only valid **dsk** string type endings are b, c, e, l, p, q, and s. Any other key definitions used at this time are interpreted as null values and cause no internal Dynamic Screen action for the terminal definition. Other keys may be assigned values within the **Dynamic Screen** utility at a later time.

Note: The **dskn** string type (n for null or no operation) is guaranteed not to be used for any function assignments in future versions. It is recommended that the **dskn** string type be used instead of other null characters when no internal Dynamic Screen action is desired for a terminal definition.

The value string for each **dskx** string type has three substrings, separated by a | (pipe symbol). (To include a | in one of the substrings, use \ | [backslash, pipe symbol].)

The first substring is the sequence of characters the terminal sends when the key is pressed. The second substring is a label for the key as displayed in the key listing (for example, the Shift-F1 key sequence). The third substring is a sequence of characters the **Dynamic Screen** utility sends to the terminal when the key is pressed, before performing the requested action.

Key Type

Action

dsp

Describes a physical screen in the terminal. A **dsp** string type must be present for each physical screen in the terminal.

The value string for each physical screen has two substrings, separated by a | (pipe symbol). (To include a | in one of the substrings, use \ | [backslash, pipe symbol].)

The first substring is the sequence of characters to send to the terminal to display and output to the particular named physical page on the terminal. The second substring is usually set to clear the screen sequence. It is sent under the following two conditions:

- The creation of new terminal session
- More terminals are running than there are physical screens.

If your selection of a terminal causes the **Dynamic Screen** utility to reuse one of the physical screens, the clear-the-screen sequence is sent to the screen to indicate that the screen content does not match the output of the terminal connected to it.

Note: Running with more terminals than there are physical screens is not recommended. Avoid this situation by defining no more screen selection keys (dsk=...) than physical screens (dsp=...).

dst

Adjusts the **Dynamic Screen** utility's input timeout. The value of the string must be a decimal number. The timeout value is in tenths of a second and has a maximum value of 255. The default timeout value is 1, or one tenth of a second.

When the **Dynamic Screen** utility recognizes a prefix of an input sequence but has not yet received all the characters in the sequence, it waits for more characters. If the timeout occurs before more characters are received, the received characters are sent to the screen, and the **Dynamic Screen** utility does not consider these characters as part of an input key sequence. Consider increasing the value of the **dsp** string if one or more of the keys to which the utility has to respond is actually a number of key combinations (for example, <Ctrl-Z> 1, <Ctrl-Z> 2, <Ctrl-Z> 3, and so on, for screen selection, or <Ctrl-Z> N, for new screen).

Examples

1. The following **dsinfo** entry describes a WYSE 60 terminal with three screens:

```
wy60|wyse60|wyse model 60,  
dsk=^A^M|Shift-F1|,  
dsk=^Aa^M|Shift-F2|,  
dsk=^Ab^M|Shift-F3|,  
dskc=\200|Ctrl-F1|,  
dske=\201|Ctrl-F2|\Ew0\E+,  
dskl=\202|Ctrl-F3|,  
dsp=\Ew0|\E+,  
dsp=\Ew1|\E+,  
dsp=\Ew2|\E+,
```

The <Shift-F1> through <Shift-F3> key combinations are used for selecting screens 1 through 3. <Ctrl-F1> creates a new screen. <Ctrl-F2> sends the key sequence <Esc> w 0 <Esc> + to the screen. As a result, the terminal switches to window 0, the screen is cleared, and the **Dynamic Screen** utility ends. <Ctrl-F3> lists the keys and their functions. The three physical screens are displayed by sending the key sequences <Esc> w 0, <Esc> w 1, and <Esc> w 2, respectively. Each time a physical screen is used for a new screen the <Esc> + key sequence is sent to the terminal to clear the screen.

2. The following **dsinfo** entry describes a WYSE 60 terminal with three screens, one of which is on a second computer communicating through the second serial port on the terminal. The **Dynamic Screen**

utility must be run on both computers, with terminal type WY60-1 on the first computer and terminal type WY60-2 on the second computer (to do so specify the **-t** flag in the **dscreen** command).

```
wy60-1|wyse60-1|wyse model 60 - first
serial port
  dskb=^A^M|Shift-F1|,
  dskb=^Aa^M|Shift-F2|,
  dskb=^Ab^M|Shift-F3|\Ed#^Ab\r^T\Ee9,
  dskc=\200|Ctrl-F1|,
  dske=\201|Ctrl-F2|\Ed#\201^T\Ew0\E+,
  dskl=\202|Ctrl-F3|,
  dsp=\Ew0|\E+,dsp=\Ew1|\E+,
wy60-2|wyse60-2|wyse model 60 - second
serial port
  dskb=^A^M|Shift-F1|\Ed#^A^M\r^T\Ee8,
  dskb=^Aa^M|Shift-F2|\Ed#^Aa^M\r^T\Ee8,
  dskb=^Ab^M|Shift-F3|
  dskc=\200|Ctrl-F1|,
  dske=\201|Ctrl-F2|\Ed#\201^T\Ew0\E+,
  dskl=\202|Ctrl-F3|,
  dsp=\Ew2|\E+,
```

The first two key entries for terminal type WY60-1 are identical to the entry in example 1. The third key entry, of type dskb, specifies that input and output are blocked when the <Esc> d # <Ctrl-A> b <CR> <Ctrl-T> <Esc> e 9 key sequence is sent to the terminal. As a result, output is blocked, and the **Dynamic Screen** utility continues to scan input for key sequences but discards

all other input. The <Esc> d # sequence puts the terminal in transparent print mode, which echoes all keystrokes up to <Ctrl-T> out the other serial port. The <Ctrl-A> b <CR> key sequence is sent out to the other serial port, informing the **Dynamic Screen** utility on the second computer that it should activate the window associated with the <Shift-F3> key. The <Ctrl-T> key sequence takes the terminal out of transparent print mode, and the <Esc> e 9 key sequence informs the terminal to switch to the other serial port for data communications.

The other computer takes over and sends the <Esc> w 2 key sequence to switch to the third physical screen and then resumes normal communication.

The WY60-2 entry follows the same general pattern for the <Shift-F1> and <Shift-F2> key combinations, which switch to transparent print mode, send a function key string to the other computer, switch transparent print off, and switch to the other serial port.

The end key <Ctrl-F2> works the same for both computers. It sends the end key sequence to the other computer through the transparent print mechanism, switches the terminal to window 0, clears the screen, and exits.

Files

Item	Description
/etc/dsinfo	Contains the terminal descriptions for the Dynamic Screen utility.

Related information

[dscreen command](#)

dumpdates File

Purpose

Describes the format of the **dumpdates** file.

Description

The **/etc/dumpdates** file holds filesystem backup information for the **backup** and **rdump** commands. The **dumpdates** file is maintained by using the **-u** option when performing file system backups. The following is the **dumpdates** data structure:

```
struct idates {
    char    id_name[MAXNAMLEN+3];
    char    id_incno;
    time_t  id_ddate;
}
```

The `struct idates` describes an entry in the `/etc/dumpdates` file where the backup history is kept. The fields of the structure are:

Item	Description
<code>id_name</code>	The name of the file system.
<code>id_incno</code>	The level number of the last backup.
<code>id_ddate</code>	The date of the incremental backup in system format.
MAXNAMLEN	The maximum value of this variable is 255.

Files

Item	Description
<code>/etc/dumpdates</code>	Specifies the path name of the symbolic link to the dumpdates file.

Related information

[backup command](#)

[rdump command](#)

[Backup methods](#)

e789_ctbl File for HCON

Purpose

Contains the default binary color definition table for HCON.

Description

The `/usr/lib/hcon/e789_ctbl` file contains the default color definition table for the Host Connection Program (HCON) in binary form.

Instances of the **e789_ctbl** file can also occur in user **\$HOME** directories. The color definition table can be customized using the **hconutil** command. If the user issuing the **hconutil** command does not specify a name for the new table, the command names the **e789_ctbl** table and places it in the user **\$HOME** directory. To use a customized table, an HCON user must specify the file name of the table in an HCON session profile.

Files

Item	Description
<code>/usr/lib/hcon/e789_ctbl</code>	Specifies the path of the e789_ctbl file.

Related information

[chhcons command](#)

e789_ktbl File for HCON

Purpose

Contains the default binary keyboard definition table used by HCON.

Description

The `/usr/lib/hcon/e789_ktbl` file contains the default keyboard definition table used by the Host Connection Program (HCON) in binary form.

HCON key names are mapped to specific keys on each supported keyboard. The HCON emulator program uses these key mappings to generate the correct key function on all the supported keyboards. HCON key mappings can be customized using the **hconutil** command.

Instances of the **e789_ktbl** file can also occur in user **\$HOME** directories. The keyboard definition table can be customized using the **hconutil** command. If the user issuing the **hconutil** command does not specify a name for the new table, the command names the **e789_ktbl** table and places it in the user **\$HOME** directory. To use a customized table, an HCON user must specify the file name of the table in an HCON session profile.

Files

Item	Description
<code>/usr/lib/hcon/e789_ktbl</code>	Specifies the path of the e789_ktbl file.

Related information

[chhcons command](#)

eimadmin.conf File

Purpose

Stores system Enterprise Identity Mapping (EIM) connection information from the `eimadmin` command.

Description

This file is used to store system Enterprise Identity Mapping (EIM) connection information from the `eimadmin` command. Use the `eimadmin` command to create and update this file. The connection information stored by the `eimadmin.conf` file includes the EIM domain and its controlling server, the identity with which to authenticate (bind) to the server, and the authentication method.

The meanings of the `eimadmin.conf` file's fields are as follows:

Item	Description
LdapURL	Specifies the URL and port for the LDAP server controlling the EIM data. This field takes the following format: <pre>ldap://some.ldap.host:389 ldaps://secure.ldap.host:636</pre>
KerberosRegistry	Specifies the name of a Kerberos registry.

Item	Description
LocalRegistry <i>EimDomain</i>	<p>Specifies the full distinguished name (DN) of the EIM domain. This name begins with <code>ibm-eimDomainName=</code> and consists of the following elements:</p> <p>domainName The name of the EIM domain you are creating. For example, <code>MyDomain</code>.</p> <p>parent distinguished name The distinguished name for the entry immediately above the given entry in the directory information tree hierarchy, such as <code>o=ibm,c=us</code>. For example:</p> <pre>ibm-eimDomainName=MyDomain,o=ibm,c=us</pre>
ConnectionMethod	<p>Specifies the method of authentication to the LDAP server. You can select one of the following methods:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SIMPLE (bind DN and password). (DEFAULT method). • CRAM-MD5 (bind DN and protected password). • EXTERNAL (digital certificate). • GSSAPI (Kerberos). Uses the default Kerberos credential. The credential must be established using a service such as <code>kinit</code> before running EIM.
BindDn	<p>The distinguished name to use for the simple bind to LDAP. For example, <code>cn=admin</code>. The bind distinguished name has one of the following EIM authorities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EIM administrator • EIM registries administrator • EIM registry X administrator • EIM identifiers administrator
BindPassword	Specifies the password associated with the bind DN.
SSLKeyFile	<p>The name of the SSL key database file, including the full path name. If the file cannot be found, the name of a RACF® key ring that contains authentication certificates is used. This value is required for SSL communications with a secure LDAP host. For example:</p> <pre>/u/eimuser/ldap.kdb</pre>
SSLKeyPassword	<p>The password required to access the encrypted information in the key database file. As an alternative, you can specify an SSL password stash file by prefixing the stash file name with <code>file:///</code>. For example:</p> <pre>file:///u/eimuser/ldapclient.sth</pre>
SSLKeyCert	Identifies which certificate to use from the key database file or RACF key ring. If a certificate label is not specified, the default certificate in the file or ring is used.

Example

```
-> /usr/bin/eimadmin -X -d ibm-eimDomainName='ibm-eimDomainName=MyDomain,o=ibm,c=us'
    -h 'ldap://keystone.austin.ibm.com:389' -S 'SIMPLE' -b 'cn=admin' -w 'secret'
-> cat /etc/eimadmin.conf
EimConfiguration:
  LdapURL="ldap://keystone.austin.ibm.com:389"
  KerberosRegistry=""
  LocalRegistry=""
  EimDomain="ibm-eimDomainName=MyDomain,o=ibm,c=us"
  ConnectionMethod="SIMPLE-b"
  BindDn=""
  BindPassword=""
  SSLKeyFile=""
```

```
SSLKeyPassword=""  
SSLKeyCert=""  
->
```

Location

Item

/etc/eimadmin.conf

Description

Contains the `eimadmin.conf` file.

Related information

[eimadmin command](#)

environ File

Purpose

Defines the environment attributes for users.

Description

The **/etc/security/environ** file is an ASCII file that contains stanzas with the environment attributes for users. Each stanza is identified by a user name and contains attributes in the *Attribute=Value* form, with a comma separating the attributes. Each attribute is ended by a new-line character, and each stanza is ended by an additional new-line character.

If environment attributes are not defined, the system uses default values. Each user stanza can have the following attributes:

Attribute	Definition
usrenv	Defines variables to be placed in the user environment when the initial login command is given or when the su command resets the environment. The value is a list of comma-separated attributes. The default value is an empty string.
sysenv	Defines variables to be placed in the user protected state environment when the initial login command is given or when the su command resets the environment. These variables are protected from access by unprivileged programs so other programs can depend on their values. The default value is an empty string.

For a description of environment variables, refer to the [/etc/environment](#) file.

Access to all the user database files should be through the system commands and subroutines defined for this purpose. Access through other commands or subroutines may not be supported in future releases.

The **mkuser** command creates a user stanza in this file. The initialization of the attributes depends upon their values in the **/usr/lib/security/mkuser.default** file. The **chuser** command can change these attributes, and the **lsuser** command can display them. The **rmuser** command removes the entire record for a user.

Security

Access Control:

This command should grant read (r) access to the root user, members of the security group, and others consistent with the security policy for the system. Only the root user should have write (w) access.

Auditing Events:

Event	Information
S_ENVIRON_WRITE	file name

Examples

A typical stanza looks like the following example for user dhs :

```
dhs:
  usrenv = "MAIL=/home/spool/mail/dhs,MAILCHECK=600"
  sysenv = "NAME=dhs@delos"
```

Files

Item	Description
<u>/etc/security/envron</u>	Specifies the path to the file.
<u>/etc/environment</u>	Specifies the basic environment for all processes.
<u>/etc/group</u>	Contains the basic attributes of groups.
<u>/etc/security/group</u>	Contains the extended attributes of groups.
<u>/etc/passwd</u>	Contains the basic attributes of users.
<u>/etc/security/passwd</u>	Contains password information.
<u>/etc/security/user</u>	Contains the extended attributes of users.
<u>/etc/security/limits</u>	Contains the process resource limits of users.
<u>/usr/lib/security/mkuser.default</u>	Contains the default values for user accounts.
<u>/etc/security/lastlog</u>	Contains last login information.

Related information

[chuser command](#)

[login command](#)

[getpenv subroutine](#)

[File and system security](#)

environment File

Purpose

Sets up the user environment.

Description

The **/etc/environment** file contains variables specifying the basic environment for all processes. When a new process begins, the **exec** subroutine makes an array of strings available that have the form *Name=Value*. This array of strings is called the environment. Each name defined by one of the strings is called an *environment variable* or *shell variable*. The **exec** subroutine allows the entire environment to be set at one time.

Environment variables are examined when a command starts running. The environment of a process is not changed by altering the **/etc/environment** file. Any processes that were started prior to the change to the **/etc/environment** file must be restarted if the change is to take effect for those processes. If the **TZ** variable is changed, the **cron** daemon must be restarted, because this variable is used to determine the current local time.

The following restrictions apply, when modifying the **environment** file:

- Ensure that newly created environment variables do not conflict with standard variables such as **MAIL**, **PS1**, **PS2**, and **IFS**.

- Ensure that the information in the **environment** file is in the *Name=Value* format. Unlike **profile** scripts, the **environment** file is not a shell script and does not accept data in any format other than the *Name=Value* format.

The Basic Environment

When you log in, the system sets environment variables from the **environment** file before reading your login profile, **.profile**.

The following variables make up the basic environment:

Variable	Description
HOME	The full path name of the user login or HOME directory. The login program sets this to the name specified in the /etc/passwd file.
LANG	The locale name currently in effect. The LANG variable is set in the /etc/environment file at installation time.
NLSPATH	<p>The full path name for message catalogs. The default is:</p> <p>/usr/lib/nls/msg/%L/%N:</p> <p>/usr/lib/nls/msg/%L/%N.cat:</p> <p>where %L is the value of the LC_MESSAGES category and %N is the catalog file name.</p> <p>Note: See the chlang command for more information about changing message catalogs.</p>
LC__FASTMSG	<p>If LC_FASTMEG is set to false, POSIX-compliant message handling is performed. If LC__FASTMSG is set to true, it specifies that default messages should be used for the C and POSIX locales and that NLSPATH is ignored. If this variable is set to anything other than false or unset, it is considered the same as being set to true. The default value is LC__FASTMSG=true in the /etc/environment file.</p>
LOCPATH	<p>The full path name of the location of National Language Support tables. The default is /usr/lib/nls/loc and is set in the /etc/profile file. If the LOCPATH variable is a null value, it assumes that the current directory contains the locale files.</p> <p>Note: All setuid and setgid programs will ignore the LOCPATH environment variable.</p>
PATH	The sequence of directories that commands such as the sh , time , nice and nohup commands search when looking for a command whose path name is incomplete. The directory names are separated by colons.

Variable

Description

TZ

The time-zone information. The **TZ** environment variable is set by the **/etc/environment** file. The **TZ** environment variable has the following format (spaces inserted for readability):

```
std offset dst offset , rule
```

The fields within the **TZ** environment variable are defined as follows:

std and dst

Designate the standard (**std**) and summer (**dst**) time zones. Only the **std** value along with the appropriate **offset** value is required. If the **dst** value is not specified, summer time does not apply. The values specified may be no less than three and no more than **TZNAME_MAX** bytes in length. The length of the variables corresponds to the %Z field of the **date** command; for **libc** and **libbsd**, **TZNAME_MAX** equals three characters. Any nonnumeric ASCII characters except the following may be entered into each field: a leading : (colon), a , (comma), a - (minus sign), a + (plus sign), or the ASCII null character.

Note: POSIX 1.0 reserves the leading : (colon) for an implementation-defined **TZ** specification. The operating system disallows the leading colon, selecting **CUTO** and setting the %Z field to a null string.

An example of **std** and **dst** format is as follows:

```
EST5EDT
```

Note: If the value set is invalid or unrecognized, the time zone defaults to UTC/GMT.

EST

Specifies Eastern U.S. standard time.

5

Specifies the offset, which is 5 hours behind Coordinated Universal Time (CUT).

EDT

Specifies the corresponding summer time zone abbreviation.

Note: See "[Time Zones](#)" for a list of time zone names defined for the system.

offset

Denotes the value added to local time to equal Coordinated Universal Time (CUT). CUT is the international time standard that has largely replaced Greenwich Mean Time. The **offset** variable has the following format:

```
hh:mm:ss
```

The fields within the **offset** variable are defined as follows:

hh

Specifies the **dst** offset in hours. This field is required. The hh value can range between the integers -12 and +11. A negative value indicates the time zone is east of the prime meridian; a positive value or no value indicates the time zone is west of the prime meridian.

Variable	Description
mm	<p>Specifies the dst offset detailed to the minute. This field is optional. If the mm value is present, it must be specified between 0 and 59 and preceded by a : (colon).</p> <p>ss</p> <p>Specifies the dst offset detailed to the second. The ss field is optional. If the ss value is present, it must be specified between 0 and 59 and preceded by a : (colon).</p> <p>An offset variable must be specified with the std variable. An offset variable for the dst variable is optional. If no offset is specified with the dst variable, the system assumes that summer time is one hour ahead of standard time.</p> <p>As an example of offset syntax, Zurich is one hour ahead of CUT, so its offset is -1. Newfoundland is 1.5 hours ahead of eastern U.S. standard time zones. Its syntax can be stated as any of the following: 3:30, 03:30, +3:30, or 3:30:00.</p> <p>rule</p> <p>The rule variable indicates when to change to and back from summer time. The rule variable has the following format:</p> <pre>start/time,end/time</pre> <p>The fields within the rule variable are defined as follows:</p>
start	Specifies the change from standard to summer time.
end	Specifies the return to standard time from summer time.
time	Specifies when the time changes occur within the time zone. For example, if the time variable is encoded for 2 a.m. then the time changes when the time zone reaches 2 a.m. on the date specified in the start variable.

Variable

Description

/

Delimits the start date, end date, and time variables.

,

(Comma) Delimits two date and time pairs.

The **start** and end variables support a syntax for Julian time (J) and a syntax for leap years (M):

```
Jn  
Mm.n.d
```

In the J syntax, the n variable has the value of 1 through 365. Leap days are not counted. In the M syntax, m is the month, n the week, and d the day of the week starting from day 0 (Sunday).

The **rule** variable has the same format as the **offset** variable except no leading - (minus sign) or + (plus sign) is allowed. The default of the start variable is 02:00:00 (2 a.m.).

Note: The time zone offsets and time change points are interrelated and context-dependent. The **rule** variable's runtime execution semantics change as a function of the offsets. For example, if the summer time zone changes one hour, as in CST6CDT5, (the default 2 a.m.) summer time changes instantaneously from 2 a.m. to 3 a.m. CDT. The fall change is from 2 a.m. CDT to 1 a.m. CST. The respective changes for a time zone of CST6CDT4 are 2 a.m. CST to 4 a.m. CDT and 2 a.m. CDT to 12 a.m. CST.

In an example of the **rule** variable, if the law changed so that the Central United States experienced summer time between Julian 129 and Julian 131, the **TZ** variable would be stated as follows:

```
TZ=CST6CDT5,J129,J131
```

In this example, the dates indicated are May 09 and May 11,1993, respectively. (Use the **date +%j** command to get the Julian date number.)

In another example, if the time changes were to occur at 2 a.m. CST and 19:30 CDT, respectively, the variables would be stated as follows:

```
TZ=CST6CDT5,J129,J131/19:30
```

In nonleap years, the fallback time change would be from 19:30 CDT to 18:30 CST on May 11 (1993).

For the leap year (M) syntax, the spring ahead date would be 2 May and the fallback date is 9 May. The variables are stated as follows:

```
TZ=CST6CDT5,M5.1.0,M5.2.0
```

Time Zones

The system defines the following time zones and time zone names:

Note: Coordinated Universal Time (CUT) is the international time standard.

Table 1. Time Zones Defined on the System		
Name	Time Zone	CUT Offset
CUTOGDT	Coordinated Universal Time	CUT
GMT0BST	United Kingdom	CUT

Table 1. Time Zones Defined on the System (continued)

Name	Time Zone	CUT Offset
WET0WEST	Western Europe	CUT
AZOREST1AZOREDT	Azores, Cape Verde	CUT -1
FALKST2FALKDT	Falkland Islands	CUT -2
GRNLNDST3GRNLNDDT	Greenland, East Brazil	CUT -3
AST4ADT	Central Brazil	CUT -4
EST5EDT	Eastern United States, Colombia	CUT -4
CST6CDT	Central United States, Honduras	CUT -6
MST7MDT	Mountain United States	CUT -7
PST8PDT	Pacific United States, Yukon	CUT -8
AST9ADT	Alaska	CUT -9
HST10HDT	Hawaii, Aleutian Islands	CUT -10
BST11BDT	Bering Strait	CUT -11
NZST-12NZDT	New Zealand	CUT +12

Item	Description	
MET-11METDT	Solomon Islands	CUT +11
EET-10EETDT	Eastern Australia	CUT +10
JST-9JSTDT	Japan	CUT +9
KORST-9KORDT	Korea	CUT +9
WAUST-8WAUDT	Western Australia	CUT +8
TAIST-8TAIDT	Taiwan	CUT +8
THAIST-7THAIDT	Thailand	CUT +7
TASHST-6TASHDT	Central Asia	CUT +6
PAKST-5PAKDT	Pakistan	CUT +5
WST-4WDT	Gorki, Central Asia, Oman	CUT +4
MEST-3MEDT	Turkey	CUT +3
SAUST-3SAUDT	Saudi Arabia	CUT +3
EET-2EEST	Eastern Europe	CUT +2
USAST-2USADT	South Africa	CUT +2
CET-1CEST	Central Europe	CUT +1

Files

Item	Description
<u>/etc/profile</u>	Specifies variables to be added to the environment by the shell.
<u>/etc/environment</u>	Specifies the basic environment for all processes.

Item	Description
\$HOME/.profile	Specifies the environment for specific user needs.
<u>/etc/passwd</u>	Specifies user IDs.

Related information

[at command](#)
[env command](#)
[getenv subroutine](#)

errors File for BNU

Purpose

Contains a record of **uucico** daemon errors.

Description

The **/var/spool/uucp/.Admin/errors** file contains a record of **uucico** daemon errors that the Basic Networking Utilities (BNU) program cannot correct. For example, if the **uucico** daemon is unable to access a directory that is needed for a file transfer, the BNU program records this in the **errors** file.

If debugging is enabled for the **uucico** daemon, the BNU program sends the error messages to standard output instead of to the **errors** file.

Examples

The text of an error which might appear in the **errors** file is:

```
ASSERT ERROR (uucico) pid: 303 (7/18-8:25:09) SYSTAT OPEN FAIL /v
ar/spool/uucp/.Status/ (21) [SCCSID: @(#)sysstat.c 7.2 87/07/08
16:43:37, FILE: sysstat.c, LINE:100]
```

This error occurred on July 18 at 8:25:09 a.m. [(7/18-8:25:09)] when the **uucico** daemon, running as process 303 [(uucico) pid: 303], could not open the **/var/spool/uucp/.Status** directory [SYSTAT OPEN FAIL /var/spool/uucp/.Status/]. To prevent this error from occurring again, you should make sure the permissions for the **.Status** directory are correct. It should be owned by the **uucp** login ID and group **uucp**, with permissions of 777 (read, write, and execute for owner, group, and all others).

Files

Item	Description
<u>/var/spool/uucp/.Admin</u> directory	Contains the errors file and other BNU administrative files.
<u>/var/spool/uucp/.Status/SystemName</u>	Lists the last time a remote system was contacted and the minimum time until the next retry.
<u>/var/spool/uucp/.Admin/errors</u>	Specifies the path of the errors file.

Related information

[uudemon.cleanu command](#)
[BNU maintenance](#)

ethers File for NIS

Purpose

Contains the Ethernet addresses of hosts on the Internet network.

Description

The **/etc/ethers** file contains information regarding the known (48-bit) Ethernet addresses of hosts on the Internet. The file contains an entry for each host. Each entry consists of the following information:

- Ethernet address
- Official host name

Items are separated by any number of blanks or tab characters. A # (pound sign) indicates the beginning of a comment that extends to the end of the line.

The standard form for Ethernet addresses is x:x:x:x:x:x: where x is a hexadecimal number between 0 and ff, representing one byte. The address bytes are always in network order. Host names may contain any printable character other than a space, tab, new line, or comment character. It is intended that host names in the **/etc/ethers** file correspond to the host names in the **/etc/hosts** file.

This file is part of NFS in Network Support Facilities.

Files

Item	Description
/etc/ethers	Specifies the path of the ethers file.
/etc/hosts	Contains Internet addresses.

Related reference

[hosts File Format for TCP/IP](#)

Related information

[NFS Services](#)

[Network Information Service Overview](#)

events File

Purpose

Contains information about system audit events.

Description

The **/etc/security/audit/events** file is an ASCII stanza file that contains information about audit events. The file contains just one stanza, **auditpr**, which lists all the audit events in the system. The stanza also contains formatting information that the **auditpr** command needs to write an audit tail for each event.

Each attribute in the stanza is the name of an audit event, with the following format:

AuditEvent = FormatCommand

The root users can edit the events file using the **vi** editor. The comments in an events file begin with an asterisk sign (*).

The format command can have the following parameters:

Parameter	Description
(empty)	The event has no tail.
printf <i>Format</i>	The tail is formatted according to the string supplied for the <i>Format</i> parameter. The %x symbols within the string indicate places for the audit trail to supply data.
<i>Program -i n Arg ...</i>	The tail is formatted by the program specified by the <i>Program</i> parameter. The -i n parameter is passed to the program as its first parameter, indicating that the output is to be indented by <i>n</i> spaces. Other formatting information can be specified with the <i>Arg</i> parameter. The audit event name is passed as the last parameter. The tail is written to the standard input of the program.

Audit Event Formatting Information

Format	Description
%A	Formatted output is similar to the aclget command.
%c	Format a single byte as a character.
%D	Formatted as a device major and minor number.
%d	Formatted as a 32-bit signed decimal integer
%G	Formatted as a comma-separated list of group names or numerical identifiers.
%L	Formatted as a text string which describes the identity associated with an Internet socket and the socket itself.
%ld	Formatted as a 64-bit signed decimal integer
%lo	Formatted as a 64-bit octal value.
%lx	%lx Formatted as a 64-bit hexadecimal value.
%lX	Formatted as a 64-bit hexadecimal value with uppercase letters.
%o	Formatted as 32-bit octal integer.
%P	Formatted output is similar to the pclget command.
%S	Formatted as a text string which describes an Internet socket.
%s	Formatted as a text string.
%T	Formatted as a text string giving include date and time with 6 significant digits for the seconds DD Mmm YYYY HH:MM:SS:mmmuuu).
%u	Formatted as a 32-bit unsigned integer.
%x	Formatted as a 32-bit hexadecimal integer.
%X	Formatted as a 32-bit hexadecimal integer with upper case letters.
%%	A single '%' character.

Security

Access Control: This file should grant read (r) access to the root user and members of the audit group, and grant write (w) access only to the root user.

Examples

To format the tail of an audit record for new audit events, such as `FILE_Open` and `PROC_Create`, add format specifications like the following to the **auditpr** stanza in the `/etc/security/audit/events` file:

```
auditpr:
FILE_Open = printf "flags: %d mode: %o \
fd: %d filename: %s"
PROC_Create = printf "forked child process %d"
```

Files

Item	Description
<code>/etc/security/audit/events</code>	Specifies the path to the file.
<code>/etc/security/audit/config</code>	Contains audit system configuration information.
<code>/etc/security/audit/objects</code>	Contains information about audited objects.
<code>/etc/security/audit/bincmds</code>	Contains auditbin backend commands.
<code>/etc/security/audit/streamcmds</code>	Contains auditstream commands.

Related information

[audit command](#)

[Setting Up Auditing](#)

Execute (X.*) Files for BNU

Purpose

Contains instructions for running commands that require the resources of a remote system.

Description

The execute (**X.***) files of the Basic Networking Utilities (BNU) contain instructions for running commands that require the resources of a remote system. They are created by the **uux** command.

The full path name of a **uux** command execute file is a form of the following:

`/var/spool/uucp/SystemName/X.RemoteSystemNxxxx`

where the *SystemName* directory is named for the local computer and the *RemoteSystem* directory is named for the remote system. The *N* character represents the grade of the work, and the *xxxx* notation is the four-digit hexadecimal transfer-sequence number; for example, `X.zeusN2121`.

Note: The grade of the work specifies when the file is to be transmitted during a particular connection. The grade notation is a single number (0-9) or letter (A-Z, a-z). Lower sequence characters cause the file to be transmitted earlier in the connection than do higher sequence characters. The number 0 is the highest grade, signifying the earliest transmittal; z is the lowest grade, specifying the latest transmittal. The default grade is N.

Standard Entries in an Execute File

An execute file consists of several lines, each with an identification character and one or more entries:

User Line

Identification Character	Description
U <i>UserName SystemName</i>	Specifies the login name of the user issuing the uux command and the name of the system that issued the command.

Error Status Line

Identification Character	Description
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N or Z	Indicates the error status.
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N	Indicates that a failure message is <i>not</i> sent to the user issuing the uux command if the specified command does not execute successfully on the remote system.
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Z	Indicates that a failure message is sent to the user issuing the uux command if the specified command does not execute successfully on the remote system.
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Requester Name

Identification Character	Description
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R <i>UserName</i>	Specifies the login ID of the user requesting the remote command execution.
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Required File Line

Identification Character	Description
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F <i>FileName</i>	Contains the names of the files required to execute the specified command on the remote system. The <i>FileName</i> parameter can be either the complete path name of the file, including the unique transmission name assigned by the BNU program, or simply the transmission name without any path information.
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The required file line can contain zero or more file names. The **uuxqt** daemon checks for the existence of all listed files before running the specified command.

Standard Input Line

Identification Character	Description
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I <i>FileName</i>	Specifies the standard input to be used.
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The standard input is either specified by a < (less than) symbol in the command string or inherited from the standard input of the **uux** command if that command was issued with the - (minus sign) flag.

If standard input is specified, the input source is also listed in an **F** (Required File) line. If standard input is not specified, the BNU program uses the **/dev/null** device file.

Standard Output Line

Identification Character	Description
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O <i>FileName SystemName</i>	
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Specifies the names of the file and system that are to receive standard output from the command execution. Standard output is specified by a > (greater than) symbol within the command string. (The >> sequence is not valid in **uux** commands.) As is the case with standard input, if standard output is not specified, the BNU program uses the **/dev/null** device file.

Command Line

Identification Character	Description
C <i>CommandString</i>	<p>Gives the command string that the user requests to be run on the specified system. The BNU program checks the /etc/uucp/Permissions file on the designated computer to see whether the login ID can run the command on that system.</p> <p>All required files go to the execute file directory, usually /var/spool/uucp/.Xqtdir. After execution, the standard output is sent to the requested location.</p>

Examples

1. User amy on local system zeus issued the following command:

```
uux - "diff /home/amy/out hera!/home/amy/out2 > ~/DF"
```

The command in this example invokes the **uux** command to run a **diff** command on the local system, comparing the `/home/amy/out` file with the `/home/amy/out2` file, which is stored on remote system hera. The output of the comparison is placed in the **DF** file in the public directory on the local system.

The preceding command produces the `/var/spool/uucp/hera/X.zeusN212F` execute file, which contains the following information:

The user line identifies the user amy on the system zeus. The error-status line indicates that amy will receive a failure status message if the **diff** command fails to execute. The requestor is amy, and the file required to execute the command is the following data file:

```
U amy zeus
# return status on failure
Z
# return address for status or input return
R amy
F /var/spool/uucp/hera/D.hera954fd out2
O ~/DF zeus
C diff /home/amy/out out2
/var/spool/uucp/hera/D.hera954fd out2
```

The output of the command is to be written to the public directory on the system zeus with the file name DF. (The ~ (tilde) is the shorthand way of specifying the public directory.) The final line is the command string that the user amy entered with the **uux** command.

2. The following is another example of an execute file:

```
U uucp hera
# don't return status on failure
N
# return address for status or input return
R uucp
F D.hera5eb7f7b
I D.hera5eb7f7b
C rmail amy
```

This indicates that user uucp on system hera is sending mail to user amy, who is also working on system hera.

Files

Item	Description
/etc/uucp/Permissions	Describes access permissions for remote systems.
/etc/uucp/Systems	Describes accessible remote systems.

Item	Description
<code>/var/spool/uucp/<u>SystemName</u></code> directory	Contains BNU command, data, and execute files.
<code>/var/spool/uucp/<u>SystemName</u>/<u>C.*</u></code>	Contains instructions for transfers.
<code>/var/spool/uucp/<u>.Xqtdir</u></code> directory	Contains lists of commands that remote systems are permitted to execute.
<code>/var/spool/uucppublic/<u>*</u></code> directory	Contains transferred files.
Related information	
diff command	
uux command	
BNU File and Directory Structure	

exports File for NFS

Purpose

Contains a list of directories that can be exported to Network File System (NFS) clients.

Description

The `/etc/exports` file contains an entry for each directory that can be exported to NFS clients. This file is read automatically by the **exportfs** command. If you change this file, you must run the **exportfs** command before the changes can affect the way the daemon operates.

Only when this file is present during system startup does the **rc.nfs** script execute the **exportfs** command and start the **nfsd** and **mountd** daemons.

Restriction: You cannot export either a parent directory or a subdirectory of an exported directory within the same file system.

If there are two entries for the same directory with different NFS versions 2 (or 3) and NFS versions 4 in the `/etc/exports` file, the **exportfs** command exports both of the two entries.

If the options for NFS versions 2 (or 3) and 4 are the same for a directory, there can be one entry in the `/etc/exports` file specifying `-vers=3:4`.

Entries in the file are formatted as follows:

Directory-Option [, Option] ...

These entries are defined as follows:

Entry	Definition
<i>Directory</i>	Specifies the directory name.

Entry

Option

Definition

Specifies the optional characteristics for the directory being exported. You can enter more than one variable by separating them with commas. For options taking a Client parameter, Client can specify a hostname, a dotted IP address, a network name, or a subnet designator. A subnet designator is of the form *@host/mask*, where *host* is either a hostname or a dotted IP address and *mask* specifies the number of bits to use when checking access. If *mask* is not specified, a full mask is used. For example, the designator *@client.group.company.com/16* will match all Clients on the *company.com* subnet. A designator of *@client.group.company.com/24* will match only the Clients on the *group.company.com* subnet. Choose from the following options:

ro

Exports the directory with read-only permission. If not specified, the directory is exported with read-write permission.

ro=Client[:Client]

Exports the directory with read-only permission to the specified Clients. Exports the directory with read-write permissions to Clients not specified in the list. A read-only list cannot be specified if a read-write list has been specified.

rw

Exports the directory with read-write permission to all Clients.

rw = Client [:Client]

Exports the directory with read-write permission to the specified Clients.

Exports the directory read-only to Clients not in the list. A read-write list cannot be specified if a read-only list has been specified.

access = Client[:Client,...]

Gives mount access to each Client listed. If not specified, any Client is allowed to mount the specified directory. The **ro** option and the **rw** option can be combined on a single exports entry. See the following examples:

```
access=x, ro=y
indicates that x has the rw option and y has the ro option
access=x, rw=y
indicates that x has the ro option and y has the rw option
```

anon= UID

If a request comes from a root user, use the user identification (*UID*) value as the effective user ID.

The default value for this option is -2. Setting the value of the *anon* option to -1 disables anonymous access. Note that, by default, secure NFS accepts nonsecure requests as anonymous, and users who want more security can disable this feature by setting *anon* to a value of -1.

Entry

Definition

root=Client[:Client]

Allows root access from the specified clients in the list. Putting a host in the root list does not override the semantics of the other options. For example, this option denies the mount access from a host present in the root list but absent in the access list.

secure

Requires clients to use a more secure protocol when accessing the directory.

A # (pound sign) anywhere in the file indicates a comment that extends to the end of the line.

deleg={yes|no}

Enable or disable file delegation for the specified export. This option overrides the system-wide delegation enablement for this export. The system-wide enablement is done through the `nfsd` command.

vers=version[:version]

Exports the directory for clients using the specified nfs protocol versions. Allowable values are 2, 3, and 4. Versions 2 and 3 cannot be enforced separately. Specifying version 2 or 3 allows access by clients using either nfs protocol versions 2 or 3. Version 4 can be specified independently and must be specified to allow access by clients using version 4 protocol. The default is 2 and 3.

exname=external-name

Exports the directory by the specified external name. The external name must begin with the `nfsroot` name. See below for a description of the `nfsroot` and `nfspublic` paths. This applies only to directories exported for access by version 4 protocol only.

Entry**Definition***Option (continued)***sec=flavor[:flavor...]**

This option is used to specify a list of security methods that may be used to access files under the exported directory. Most `exportfs` options can be clustered using the `sec` option. Options following a `sec` option are presumed to belong with the preceding `sec` option. Any number of `sec` stanzas may be specified, but each security method can be specified only once. Within each `sec` stanza the `ro`, `rw`, `root`, and `access` options may be specified once. Only the `public`, `anon` and `vers` options are considered global for the export. If the `sec` option is used to specify any security method, it must be used to specify all security methods. In the absence of any `sec` option, UNIX authentication is assumed.

Allowable flavor values are:

sys

UNIX authentication.

dh

DES authentication.

krb5

Kerberos. Authentication only.

krb5i

Kerberos. Authentication and integrity.

krb5p

Kerberos. Authentication, integrity, and privacy.

none

Allow mount requests to proceed with anonymous credentials if the mount request uses an authentication flavor not specified in the export. Otherwise a weak `auth` error is returned. By default, all flavors are allowed.

The `secure` option may be specified, but not in conjunction with a `sec` option. The `secure` option is deprecated and may be eliminated. Use `sec=dh` instead.

refer=rootpath@host [+host][:rootpath@host [+host]]

A namespace referral is created at the specified path. This referral directs clients to the specified alternate locations where the clients can continue operations. A referral is a special object. If a non-referral object exists at the specified path, the export is not allowed and an error message is printed. If nothing exists at the specified path, a referral object is created there; this referral object includes the pathname directories that lead to the object. Multiple referrals can be created within a file system. A referral cannot be specified for `nfsroot`. The name **localhost** cannot be used as a hostname.

Unexporting the referral object has the effect of removing the referral locations information from the referral object. Unexporting the referral object does not remove the referral object itself. The object can be removed using `rm` if desired. The administrator must ensure that appropriate data is available at the referral servers.

This option is available only on AIX version 5.3.0.30 or later, and is allowed only for version 4 exports. If the export specification allows version 2 or version 3 access, an error message will be printed and the export will be disallowed.

Note: A referral export can only be made if replication is enabled on the server. Use `chnfs -R on` to enable replication.

Entry**Definition***Option (continued)***replicas=rootpath@host [+host][:rootpath@host [+host]]**

Replica location information is associated with the export path. The replica information can be used by NFS version 4 clients to redirect operations to the specified alternate locations if the current server becomes unavailable. You should ensure that appropriate data is available at the replica servers. Since replica information applies to an entire file system, the specified path must be the root of a file system. If the path is not a file system root, the export is not allowed and an error message is printed. The name **localhost** cannot be used as a hostname.

If the directory being exported is not in the replica list, the entry *ExportedDirectory@CurrentHost* is added as the first replica location. A replica export can only be made if replication is enabled on the server. By default, replication is not enabled. If replica exports are made at system boot, replication should be enabled using **chnfs -R on**. Replica locations can also be specified for the *nfsroot*. The **chnfs** command must be used for this purpose. In this case, the command is **chnfs -R host [+ host]**. If the current host is not specified in the list, it will be added as the first replica host. The *rootpath* is not needed or allowed in this case. The reason is that the *nfsroot* is replicated only to the *nfsroots* of the specified hosts. The replication mode can only be changed if there are no active NFS version 4 exports. If the server's replication mode is changed, any filehandles issued by the server during the previous replication mode will not be honored by the server. This can cause application errors on clients with old filehandles. Care must be taken when changing the replication mode of the server. If possible, all client mounts to the server should be unmounted before the server's replication mode is changed. The replica location information associated with the directory can be changed by modifying the replica list and reexporting the directory. The new replica information will replace the old replica information.

NFS clients are expected to refresh replica information on a regular basis. If the server changes the replica information for an export, it may take some time for the client to refresh its replica information. This is not a serious problem if new replica locations are added, since clients with old replica information will still have correct, though possibly incomplete, replica information. Removing replica information can be problematic since it can result in clients having incorrect replica information for some period of time. To aid clients in detecting the new information, **exportfs** attempts to touch the replicated directory. This will change the timestamps on the directory, which in turn causes the client to refetch the directory's attributes. This operation may not be possible, however, if the replicated file system is read-only. When changing replica information for a directory, you should be aware that there may be a period of time between the changing of the replica information and clients getting the new replica information.

This option is available only on AIX version 5.3.0.30 or later, and is meaningful only for version 4 exports. If the option is used on an export that allows version 2 or version 3 access, the operation is allowed, but the replica information is ignored by the version 2 and version 3 servers.

noauto

Accepts the replicas specification as-is. Does not automatically insert the primary hostname as one of the replica locations if it has not been specified.

nfsroot and nfspublic

In order to allow the NFS server administrator to hide some detail of the local file system from clients, the **nfsroot** and **nfspublic** attributes were added to the NFS version 4 implementation. The **nfsroot** and **nfspublic** may be specified independently, but **nfspublic** must be a subdirectory of **nfsroot**. When the **nfsroot** is set, a local directory can be exported so that it appears to the client to be a subdirectory of the **nfsroot**. Restrictions must be placed on the exported directories in order to avoid problems:

- The **nfsroot** must not be "/".
- Either all version 4 exports must specify an external name, or none must specify an external name.
- The external name must start with the **nfsroot** name. For example, if the **nfsroot** has been set to `/export/server`, the directory `/export/server/abc` can be used as an external name, but the directory `/abc` cannot be used as an external name. In this example, the `/tmp` directory might be exported as `/export/server/tmp`, but `/tmp` cannot be exported as `/xyz`.
- If the `-exname` option is used, only one directory can be exported per file system.
- If a directory is exported with an external name, any descendant of that directory that is also exported must maintain the same path between the two directories. For example, if `/a` is exported as `/export/dira`, the directory `/a/b/c/d` can only be exported as `/export/dira/b/c/d`, provided `/a` and `/a/b/c/d` are different file systems or members of different file systems.
- If a directory is exported with an external name, any parent of that directory that is also exported must maintain the same path between the two directories. For example, if `/a/b` is exported as `/export/a/b`, the directory `/a` can only be exported as `/export/a`, provided `/a` and `/a/b` are different file systems or members of different file systems. Also, if `/a/b` is exported as `/export/b`, the directory `/a` cannot be exported because it does not exist in the path from the root node to export a pathname of `/b`.
- The `exportfs` command will only allow the `exname` option when the `-vers=4` options is also present.

Administration of **nfsroot**, **nfspublic**, and replication is performed using the **chnfs** command.

Examples

1. To export to **netgroup** clients, enter:

```
/usr -access=clients
```

2. To export to the world, enter:

```
/usr/local
```

3. To export to only these systems, enter:

```
/usr2 -access=hermes:zip:tutorial
```

4. To give root access only to these systems, enter:

```
/usr/tps -root=hermes:zip
```

5. To convert client root users to guest UID=100, enter:

```
/usr/new -anon=100
```

6. To export read-only to everyone, enter:

```
/usr/bin -ro
```

7. To allow several options on one line, enter:

```
/usr/stuff -access=zip,anon=-3,ro
```

8. To create a referral at **/usr/info** to the **/usr/info** directory on the host **infoserver**, add the following line to **/etc/exports** and then export **/usr/info**:

```
/usr/info -vers=4,refer=/usr/info@infoserver
```

9. To specify replicas for the directory **/common/info** at hosts **backup1** and **backup2**, add the following line to **/etc/exports** and then export **/common/info**:

```
/common/info -vers=4,replicas=/common/info@backup1:/common/info@backup2,<other options>
```

Files

Item	Description
/etc/xtab	Lists currently exported directories.
/etc/hosts	Contains an entry for each host on the network.
/etc/netgroup	Contains information about each user group on the network.

Related information

[chnfs command](#)

[nfsd command](#)

[List of NFS files](#)

.fig File

Purpose

Contains a list of **F** file names.

Description

The **.fig** file is one of several intermediate files produced for each document by InfoCrafter. The **.fig** file is an ASCII file that contains a list of **F** file names created for the document. **F** files are files containing artwork.

Files

Item	Description
.fig	Contains a list of F file names.

Related reference

[.srf File](#)

filesystems File

Purpose

Centralizes file system characteristics.

Description

A file system is a complete directory structure, including a root (/) directory and any directories and files beneath it. A file system is confined to a logical volume. All of the information about the file system is centralized in the **/etc/filesystems** file. Most of the file system maintenance commands take their

defaults from this file. The file is organized into stanza names that are file system names and contents that are attribute-value pairs specifying characteristics of the file system.

The **filesystems** file serves two purposes:

- It documents the layout characteristics of the file systems.
- It frees the person who sets up the file system from having to enter and remember items such as the device where the file system resides, because this information is defined in the file.

Requirements:

1. Name and value pairs must have some form of indentation. For example, a space or a tab.
2. Blank spaces and comma characters are not allowed in the file system mount point. Commas are used only as delimiters for multiple values to a name.
3. Do not place text before or after quotation marks. For example, `dev=abc "/dev/fd0" def` is not allowed and will result in undefined behavior.

File System Attributes

Each stanza names the directory where the file system is normally mounted. The file system attributes specify all the parameters of the file system. The attributes currently used are:

Attribute	Description
account	Used by the dodisk command to determine the file systems to be processed by the accounting system. This value can be either the True or False value.
boot	Used by the mkfs command to initialize the boot block of a new file system. This specifies the name of the load module to be placed into the first block of the file system.
check	Used by the fsck command to determine the default file systems to be checked. The True value enables checking while the False value disables checking. If a number, rather than the True value is specified, the file system is checked in the specified pass of checking. Multiple pass checking, described in the fsck command, permits file systems on different drives to be checked in parallel.
dev	Identifies, for local mounts, either the block special file where the file system resides or the file or directory to be mounted. System management utilities use this attribute to map file system names to the corresponding device names. For remote mounts, it identifies the file or directory to be mounted.
free	This value can be either <code>true</code> or <code>false</code> . Obsolete and ignored.

Attribute	Description
mount	<p>Used by the mount command to determine whether this file system should be mounted by default. The possible values of the mount attribute are:</p> <p>automatic Automatically mounts a file system when the system is started. Unlike the true value, filesystems which are mounted with the automatic value are not mounted with the mount all command or unmounted with the umount all command. By default, the /, /usr, /var, and /tmp filesystems use the automatic value.</p> <p>false This file system is not mounted by default.</p> <p>readonly Mounts a file system as a read-only file system.</p> <p>removable Mounts a file system as a removable file system. While open files are on it, a removable mounted file system works the same as a normally mounted file system. However, when no files are open, and no process has a current directory on the file system, all of the file system disk buffers in the file system are written to the medium, and the operating system cannot access the file system.</p> <p>true This file system is mounted by the mount all command. It is unmounted by the umount all command. The mount all command is issued during system initialization to mount automatically all such file systems.</p>
nodename	Used by the mount command to determine which node contains the remote file system. If this attribute is not present, the mount is a local mount. The value of the nodename attribute should be a valid node nickname. This value can be overridden with the mount -n command.
options	Comma-separated list of keywords that have meaning specific to a file system type. The options are passed to the file system at mount time.
size	Used by the mkfs command for reference and to build the file system. The value is the number of 512-byte blocks in the file system.
type	Used to group related mounts. When the mount -t String command is issued, all of the currently unmounted file systems with a type attribute equal to the <i>String</i> parameter are mounted.
vfs	Specifies the type of mount. For example, vfs=nfs specifies the virtual file system being mounted is an NFS file system.
vol	Used by the mkfs command when initializing the label on a new file system. The value is a volume or pack label using a maximum of 6 characters.
log	The <i>LVName</i> must be the full path name of the filesystem logging logical volume name to which log data is written as this file system is modified. This is only valid for journaled file systems.

Examples

The following is an example of a typical **/etc/filesystems** file:

Note: Modifying this file can cause several effects to file systems.

```
*
* File system information
*
default:
    vol          = "OS"
    mount        = false
    check        = false
```

```

/:
    dev      = /dev/hd4
    vol      = "root"
    mount    = automatic
    check    = true
    log      = /dev/hd8

/home:
    dev      = /dev/hd1
    vol      = "u"
    mount    = true
    check    = true
    log      = /dev/hd8

/home/joe/1:
    dev      = /home/joe/1
    nodename = vance
    vfs      = nfs

/usr:
    dev      = /dev/hd2
    vol      = "usr"
    mount    = true
    check    = true
    log      = /dev/hd8

/tmp:
    dev      = /dev/hd3
    vol      = "tmp"
    mount    = true
    check    = true
    log      = dev/hd8

```

Note: The asterisk (*) is the comment character used in the **/etc/filesystems** file.

Files

Item	Description
/etc/filesystems	Lists the known file systems and defines their characteristics.
/etc/vfs	Contains descriptions of virtual file system types.

Related reference

[backup File](#)

[filsys.h File](#)

Related information

[mkfs command](#)

[umount command](#)

[Directories](#)

Foreign File for BNU

Purpose

Logs contact attempts from unknown systems.

Description

The **/var/spool/uucp/.Admin/Foreign** file lists access attempts by unknown systems. The **/usr/sbin/uucp/remote.unknown** shell script appends an entry to the **Foreign** file each time a remote computer that is not listed in the local **/etc/uucp/Systems** file attempts to communicate with that local system.

Someone with root user authority can customize entries in the **Foreign** file to fit the needs of a specific site by modifying the **remote.unknown** shell script.

Examples

This is a sample entry in the **Foreign** file:

```
Wed Sep 20 20:38:22 CDT 1989: call from the system merlin
```

System merlin, which is not listed in the **/etc/uucp/Systems** file, attempted to log in September 20 at 20:38 hours (10:38 p.m.). BNU did not allow the unknown system to log in.

Files

Item	Description
/var/spool/uucp/.Admin/Foreign	Specifies the path of the Foreign file.
<u>/etc/uucp/Permissions</u>	Describes access permissions for remote systems.
<u>/etc/uucp/Systems</u>	Describes accessible remote systems.
<u>/usr/sbin/uucp/remote.unknown</u>	Records contacts from unknown systems in the Foreign file.
/var/spool/uucp/.Admin directory	Contains BNU administrative files.

Related information

[uucp command](#)

[cron command](#)

[BNU File and Directory Structure](#)

.forward File

Purpose

Automatically forwards mail as it is received.

Description

When mail is sent to a local user, the **sendmail** command checks for the **\$HOME/.forward** file. The **\$HOME/.forward** file can contain one or more addresses or aliases. If the file exists, the message is not sent to the user. The message is sent to the addresses or aliases in the **.forward** file. For example, if user mickey's **.forward** file on host disney contains:

```
donald@wonderful.world.disney  
pluto
```

Copies of messages sent to mickey are forwarded to user donald on host wonderful.world.disney, and to pluto on the local system.

Note:

1. The addresses listed in the **.forward** file can be a comma-separated list of addresses; for example:

```
donald@wonderful.world.disney, pluto
```

2. Addresses can specify programs. The following example forwards a message to the **vacation** command:

```
mickey, "|/usr/bin/vacation mickey"
```

This example sends a message to user mickey and to the **vacation** program.

3. This file must be created by the user in the **\$HOME** directory.

To stop forwarding mail, use the **rm** command to remove the **.forward** file from your home directory:

```
rm .forward
```

The **.forward** file is deleted. Incoming mail is delivered to the user's system mailbox.

Files

Item	Description
\$HOME/.forward	Specifies the path of the file.

Related information

[mail command](#)

[vacation command](#)

[Aliases and distribution lists](#)

ftppaccess.ctl File

Purpose

Specifies FTP host access parameters.

Description

The **/etc/ftppaccess.ctl** file is searched for lines that start with **allow:**, **deny:**, **readonly:**, **writeonly:**, **readwrite:**, **useronly:**, **grouponly:**, **herald:** and/or **motd:**. Other lines are ignored. If the file doesn't exist, then ftp access is allowed for all hosts. The **allow:** and **deny:** lines are for restricting host access. The **readonly:**, **writeonly:** and **readwrite:** lines are for restricting ftp reads (get) and writes (put). The **useronly:** and **grouponly:** lines are for defining anonymous users. The **herald:** and **motd:** lines are for multiline messages before and after login.

Syntax

The syntax for all lines in **/etc/ftppaccess.ctl** are in the form:

```
keyword: value, value, ...
```

where one can specify one or more values for every keyword. One can have multiple lines with the same keyword. The lines in **/etc/ftppaccess.ctl** are limited to 1024 characters and anything greater than 1024 characters will be ignored. The syntax for the **allow:** and **deny:** lines are:

```
allow: host, host, ... deny: host, host, ...
```

If an **allow:** line is specified, then only the hosts listed in all the **allow:** lines are allowed ftp access. All other hosts will be refused ftp access. If there are no **allow:** line(s), then all hosts will be given ftp access except those hosts specified in the **deny:** line(s). The host can be specified as either a hostname or IP address.

The syntax for the **readonly:**, **writeonly:** and **readwrite:** lines are:

```
readonly: dirname, dirname, ... writeonly: dirname, dirname, ... readwrite: dirname,  
dirname, ...
```

The **readonly:** lines list the readonly directories and the **writeonly:** lines list the writeonly directories. If one wants read access in a writeonly directory or if one wants write access in a readonly directory, then access is denied. All other directories are granted access except when a **readwrite:** line(s) is specified. If a **readwrite:** line(s) is specified, only directories listed in the **readwrite:** line and/or listed in the **readonly:** line are granted access for reading, and only directories listed in the **readwrite:** line and/or listed in the **writeonly:** line are granted access for writing. Also, these lines can have a value of ALL or NONE.

The syntax for the **useronly:** and **grouponly:** lines are:

```
useronly: username, username, ... grouponly: groupname, groupname, ...
```

The username is from **/etc/passwd** and the groupname is from **/etc/group**. The **useronly:** line defines an anonymous user. The **grouponly:** line defines a group of anonymous users. These anonymous users are similar to the user anonymous in that ftp activity is restricted to their home directories.

The syntax for the **herald:** and **motd:** lines are:

```
herald: path motd: on|off
```

The path is the full path name of the file that contains the multiline herald that will be displayed before login. When the **motd:** line has a value of ON, then the **\$HOME/motd** file contains the multiline message that will displayed after login. If the user is a defined anonymous user, then the **/etc/motd** file contains the multiline message that will displayed after login. (Note that **/etc/motd** is in the anonymous user's chroot'ed home directory). The default for the **motd:** line is OFF.

/etc/group File

Purpose

Contains basic group attributes.

Description

The **/etc/group** file contains basic group attributes. This is an ASCII file that contains records for system groups. Each record appears on a single line and is the following format:

Name:Password:ID:User1,User2,...,Usern

You must separate each attribute with a colon. Records are separated by new-line characters. The attributes in a record have the following values:

Attribute	Description
<i>Name</i>	Specifies a group name that is unique on the system. See the mkgroup command for information on the restrictions for naming groups.
<i>Password</i>	Not used. Group administrators are provided instead of group passwords. See the /etc/security/group file for more information.
<i>ID</i>	Specifies the group ID. The value is a unique decimal integer string. The maximum value is 4,294,967,295 (4 GB).
<i>User1,User2,...,Usern</i>	Identifies a list of one or more users. Separate group member names with commas. Each user must already be defined in the local database configuration files.

Do not use a : (colon) in any of the attribute fields. For an example of a record, see the "Examples" section . Additional attributes are defined in the **/etc/security/group** file.

Note: Certain system-defined group and user names are required for proper installation and update of the system software. Exercise care before replacing the **/etc/group** file to ensure that no system-supplied groups or users are removed.

You should access the **/etc/group** file through the system commands and subroutines defined for this purpose. You can use the following commands to manage groups:

- **chgroup**
- **chgrpmem**
- **chuser**

- **lsgroup**
- **mkgroup**
- **mkuser**
- **rmgroup**

To change the *Name* parameter, you first use the **mkgroup** command to add a new entry. Then, you use the **rmgroup** command to remove the old group. To display all the attributes in the file, use the **lsgroup** command.

You can use the **chgroup**, **chgrpmem**, or **chuser** command to change all user and group attributes. The **mkuser** command adds a user whose primary group is defined in the **/usr/lib/security/mkuser.default** file and the **rmuser** command removes a user. Although you can change the group ID with the **chgroup** command, this is not recommended.

The following table lists all the possible group names and what functions the group controls.

Group name	Description
system	This group is used for configuration and maintenance for hardware and software.
printq	This group is used for managing queuing functions such as, enable, disable, qadm, and qpri.
security	This group is used for handling password and limits control.
adm	This group is used for monitoring functions such as, performance, cron, and accounting.
staff	This group is the default group assigned to all new users.
audit	This group is used for auditing.
shutdown	This group allows users access to the shutdown command.
bin	This group is used for the system internal group.
sys	This group is used for the system internal group.
uucp	This group manages the UUCP system.
mail	This group allows users to access the mail command.
cron	This group allows users to access the crontab command.
nobody	This group is for user that do not owns any files and can be used as the default user for unprivileged operations.
kmem	This group allows users virtual memory read and write access such as, /dev/mem, /dev/port, and /dev/kmem.
log	This group allows users access to log files in /var/log.
lp	This group allows users access to the lp command.
network	This group allows users access to use the NetworkManager functions such as NM-Applet and KNetwrokmanger.
power	This group allows users access to suspend power.
root	This group allows users access to all system functions.
tty	This group allows users access to serial and USB devices.
users	This group is the default users group. This is the recommended group name you should use for users.

Security

Access Control: This file should grant read (r) access to all users and grant write (w) access only to the root user and members of the security group.

Examples

A typical record looks like the following example for the staff group:

```
staff::1:shadow,cjf
```

In this example, the *GroupID* parameter is 1 and the users are defined to be shadow and cjf.

Files

Item	Description
/etc/group	Contains basic group attributes.
/etc/security/group	Contains the extended attributes of groups.
/etc/passwd	Contains the basic attributes of users.
/etc/security/passwd	Contains password information.
/etc/security/user	Contains the extended attributes of users.
/etc/security/envIRON	Contains the environment attributes of users.
/etc/security/limits	Contains the process resource limits of users.
/etc/security/audit/config	Contains audit system configuration information.

Related reference

[.mh_alias File Format](#)

Related information

[chgroup command](#)

[setgroups command](#)

[getgroupptr subroutine](#)

[File and system security](#)

/etc/security/group File

Purpose

Contains extended group attributes.

Description

The **/etc/security/group** file contains extended group attributes. This is an ASCII file that contains a stanza for each system group. Each stanza is identified by a group name from the **/etc/group** file followed by a : (colon) and contains attributes in the form *Attribute=Value*. Each attribute pair ends with a new-line character as does each stanza. The file supports a default stanza. If an attribute is not defined for a group, the default value for the attribute is used.

A stanza can contain one or more of the following attributes:

Attribute	Description
adms	Defines the group administrators. Administrators are users who can perform administrative tasks for the group, such as setting the members and administrators of the group. This attribute is ignored if admin = true , since only the root user can alter a group defined as administrative. The value is a list of comma-separated user login-names. The default value is an empty string.
admin	<p>Defines the administrative status of the group. Possible values are:</p> <p>true Defines the group as administrative. Only the root user can change the attributes of groups defined as administrative.</p> <p>false Defines a standard group. The attributes of these groups can be changed by the root user or a member of the security group. This is the default value.</p>
dce_export	<p>Allows the DCE registry to overwrite the local group information with the DCE group information during a DCE export operation. Possible values are:</p> <p>true Local group information will be overwritten.</p> <p>false Local group information will not be overwritten.</p>
efs_initialks_mode	<p>Defines the initial mode of the group keystore. You can specify the following values:</p> <p>guard When a group keystore is in root guard mode, the keys contained in this keystore can be retrieved only with the correct access key of this keystore.</p> <p>admin When a keystore is in root admin mode, the keys contained in this keystore can be retrieved with the EFS (Encrypted File System) admin key.</p> <p>Notes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This attribute is valid only if the system is EFS-enabled. • This attribute defines the initial mode of the keystore. Changing this value using the chuser command, the chgroup command, or the chsec command, or with manual editing, does not change the mode of the keystore. This attribute is used only when the keystore is created and is not used again until the keystore is deleted and a new one is created. To change the keystore mode, use the efskeymgr command.
efs_keystore_access	<p>Defines the group keystore location. You can specify the following values:</p> <p>none There is no keystore.</p> <p>file Keystore is stored in the /var/efs/groups/ directory.</p> <p>Note: This attribute is valid only if the system is EFS-enabled.</p>

Attribute	Description
efs_keystore_algo	<p>Defines the algorithm that is used to generate the group private key. You can specify the following values:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RSA_1024 • RSA_2048 • RSA_4096 <p>Notes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This attribute is valid only if the system is EFS-enabled. • Changing the value of this attribute using the chuser command, the chgroup command, or the chsec command, or with manual editing, does not regenerate the private key. This attribute is used only when the keystore is created and is not used again until the keystore is deleted and a new one is created. To change the algorithm for the keys, use the efskeymgr command.
projects	<p>Defines the list of projects that the user's processes can be assigned to. The value is a list of comma-separated project names and is evaluated from left to right. The project name should be a valid project name as defined in the system. If an invalid project name is found in the list, it will be reported as an error by the group commands.</p>

For a typical stanza, see the "Examples" section:

You should access the **/etc/security/group** file through the system commands and subroutines defined for this purpose. You can use the following commands to manage groups:

- **mkgroup**
- **chgroup**
- **chgrpmem**
- **lsgroup**
- **rmgroup**

The **mkgroup** command adds new groups to the **/etc/group** file and the **/etc/security/group** file. Use this command to create an administrative group. You can also use the **mkgroup** to set the group administrator.

Use the **chgroup** command to change all the attributes. If you are an administrator of a standard group, you can change the **adms** attribute for that group with the **chgrpmem** command.

The **lsgroup** command displays both the **adms** and the **admin** attributes. The **rmgroup** command removes the entry from both the **/etc/group** file and the **/etc/security/group** file.

To write programs that affect attributes in the **/etc/security/group** file, use the subroutines listed in Related Information.

Security

Access Control: This file should grant read (r) access to the root user and members of the security group, and to others as permitted by the security policy for the system. Only the root user should have write (w) access.

Auditing Events:

Event	Information
S_GROUP_WRITE	file name

Examples

A typical stanza looks like the following example for the `finance` group:

```
finance:
    admin = false
    adms = cjf, scott, sah
```

Files

Item	Description
<u>/etc/security/group</u>	Specifies the path to the file.
<u>/etc/group</u>	Contains the basic attributes of groups.
<u>/etc/passwd</u>	Contains the basic attributes of users.
<u>/etc/security/passwd</u>	Contains password information.
<u>/etc/security/user</u>	Contains the extended attributes of users.
<u>/etc/security/envIRON</u>	Contains the environment attributes of users.
<u>/etc/security/limits</u>	Contains the process resource limits of users.
<u>/etc/security/audit/config</u>	Contains audit system configuration information.
<u>/etc/security/lastlog</u>	Contains last login information.

Related information

[chgroup command](#)

[lsgroup command](#)

[setgroups command](#)

Workload Manager groupings File

Purpose

Defines attribute value groupings along with their associated values.

Description

The attribute value **groupings** file is in the configuration directory. It resides along with the **rules** file in the **SuperConf** and **SubConf** directories.

The attribute value **groupings** file is formatted as a flat ASCII file list with attribute grouping names followed by an equal (=) sign and the list of all attribute values in the group, separated by commas. The list of attribute values will be terminated by a carriage return. The list of attribute values can be continued onto multiple lines by preceding carriage returns with a backslash. The only whitespace that is significant in the **groupings** file is a carriage return. Other whitespace characters are removed during file parsing. Comments are lines preceded by an asterisk.

Each attribute grouping definition is limited to **WLM_GROUPING_LEN** characters. The attribute grouping name and the list of attribute values cannot be an empty string.

Use of Attribute Groupings

Attribute groupings can be used as element of a selection criteria in the **rules** file for superclasses or subclasses. The attribute grouping name must be preceded by a dollar sign (\$) and will be replaced by the

list of all attribute values associated with itself. No special character (*,[,],-,?) except exclusion character '!' can be applied to an attribute grouping name. Attribute groupings cannot be used in the **class** field.

```
"rules" files:
* class resvd user      group      application      type tag
classA - $trusted,!$nottrusted - - -
classB - - - - $shell,!/bin/zsh - -
classC - - $rootgroup - - -
```

Syntax

The syntax of the attribute values is the same as in the [rules](#) file, including potential wildcards ([,],*,-,?,+). The use of the exclusion character '!' in the attribute values list is not allowed. This restriction is necessary to avoid a confusing interpretation of an attribute value grouping used in the **class** assignment file preceded by an exclusion character. Syntax is checked only when attribute groupings are used (rules processing during a configuration load or explicit check with **wlmcheck** command). The **groupings** file is not mandatory. By default, no attribute grouping is defined. Attribute value groupings of a **groupings** file are defined and usable only in the scope of their configuration directory (**SuperConfDir** or **SubConfDir** level). If it exists, the **groupings** file is copied in the **.running** directory when the configuration is loaded into the kernel as it is done with other configuration files. No command interface is provided to update the attribute **groupings** file.

Example

```
"groupings" file:
* attribute groupings definition
* will be used in the rules file
trusted = user[0-9][0-9],admin*
nottrusted = user23, user45
shell=/bin/?sh,\
      /bin/sh,\
      /bin/tcsh
rootgroup=system,bin,sys,security,cron,audit
```

Files

Item	Description
\$HOME/.groupings	Defines attribute value groupings along with their associated values.

Related reference

[Workload Manager rules File](#)

hostmibd.conf File

Purpose

Defines the configuration parameters for **hostmibd dpi2** sub-agent.

Description

The **hostmibd.conf** file provides the configuration information for the **hostmibd dpi2** sub-agent. This file can be changed while the **hostmibd dpi2** sub-agent is running. If the **refresh** command is issued, the **hostmibd dpi2** sub-agent will reread this configuration file. The **hostmibd dpi2** sub-agent must be under System Resource Control (SRC) for the **refresh** command to force the reread. To accomplish the reread, as root user, run:

```
# refresh -s hostmibd
```

Keywords

The directives are specified in the form of <keyword>=<value>. The keyword is case-insensitive. The value passed is also case-sensitive.

LogFilename

The name of the most recent log file. Less recent log files have the number 1 to (n - 1) appended to their names. The larger the number, the less recent the file.

logFileSize

The Size of log files in K bytes. Maximum size of a log file. When the size of the most recent log file reaches this value, it is renamed and a new log file is created.

numLogFiles

The number of log files desired. The maximum value for **numLogFiles** is 4. A new file is created when the size of the log file is equal or more than the size specified by the keyword **logFileSize**. When the number of log files reaches the **numLogFiles** the log files start rotating.

requestTimeout

The timeout in seconds that the **snmpd** agent will wait for a response from this sub-agent. The default value is 60 seconds.

tracelevel

The tracing/debug level to do.

```
0 = Least level
8 = DPI level 1
16 = DPI level 2
32 = Internal level 1
64 = Internal level 2
128 = Internal level 3
```

Add the numbers for multiple trace levels.

updateInterval

The interval, in seconds, that the sub-agent will use to refresh its internal table. The default value is 30 seconds.

Example

```
logFileName=/usr/tmp/hostmibd.log
logFileSize=0
numLogFiles=0
requestTimeout=180
tracelevel=0
updateInterval=120
```

Files

Item	Description
/etc/hostmibd.conf	Defines the configuration parameters for hostmibd dpi2 sub-agent.

Related information

[hostmibd command](#)

[snmpd command](#)

[refresh command](#)

image.data File**Purpose**

Contains information on the image installed during the Base Operating System installation process.

Description

The **image.data** file contains information describing the image installed during the BOS installation process. This information includes the sizes, names, maps, and mount points of logical volumes and file systems in the root volume group. The **mkszfile** command generates the **image.data** file. It is not recommended that the user modify the file. Changing the value of one field without correctly modifying any related fields can result in a failed installation and a corrupted backup image. The only exception to this recommendation is the SHRINK field, which the user may modify to instruct the BOS installation routines to create the file systems as specified in the **image.data** file or to create the file systems only as large as is required to contain all the data in the file system.

The BOS installation process also takes input from the **image.data** file regarding defaults for the machine being installed. Any default values in the **image.data** file will override values obtained when the BOS installation queries the hardware topology and existing root volume group. The **image.data** file resides in the / directory.

This file is part of System Backup and BOS Install Utilities.

The **image.data** file is arranged in stanza format. Each stanza contains one or more fields. These stanzas include the following:

- [image_data](#)
- [logical_volume_policy](#)
- [ils_data](#)
- [vg_data](#)
- [source_disk_data](#)
- [lv_data](#)
- [fs_data](#)
- [post_install_data](#)
- [post_restvg](#)

image_data Stanza

Field	Description
IMAGE_TYPE	Identifies the format of the image. Examples include backup file format (bff) and tar format.
DATE_TIME	Contains the date and time that the image was taken.
UNAME_INFO	Identifies the system and system level data associated with the image.
PRODUCT_TAPE	Specifies whether the image is a product image or a mksysb image. The possible field values are yes or no.
USERVG_LIST	Lists the user volume groups defined in the system.
OSLEVEL	Identifies the version.release.maintenance.fix level of the system at the time the image was taken

Note: The PRODUCT_TAPE and USERVG_LIST fields are only present for the ROOTVG volume group.

logical_volume_policy Stanza

Field	Description
SHRINK	Instructs BOS install routines to create the file systems as they are specified in the image.data file or create the smallest file systems required to contain all the data in the file system. The field value specified can be yes (shrink file systems) or no (use image.data file specifications).

Field	Description
EXACT_FIT	The field value specified can be yes or no. If yes is specified, the disk information listed in the source_disk_data stanza must match the actual disks found on the target machine during installation.

ils_data Stanza

Field	Description
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LANG	Sets the language used by the BOS Install program.
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vg_data Stanza

Note:

1. The **image.data** file can contain only one vg_data stanza.

Field	Description
VGROUP	Specifies the volume group name.
PPSIZE	Specifies the size of the physical partition for the volume group.
VARYON	Activates the volume group and all associated logical volumes so that the volume group is available for use. The field value can be yes or no.
VG_SOURCE_DISK_LIST	Lists the disks in the volume group.
QUORUM	If set to 1, indicates the volume group is to be automatically varied off after losing its quorum of physical volumes.
CONC_AUTO	Indicates a volume group is to be varied on automatically in concurrent mode.
BIGVG	Indicates a volume group is to be created as a big vg format volume group. This can accommodate up to 128 physical volumes and 512 logical volumes.
> > CRITVG	Indicates whether the Critical VG option of the volume group is enabled or disabled. The value of the field can be set to yes or no. <
> > CRITPVS	Indicates whether the Critical PVs option of the volume group is enabled or disabled. The value of the field can be set to yes or no. <
TFACTOR	Indicates a change in the limit of the number of physical partitions per physical volume.
ENH_CONC_CAPABLE	Indicates a volume group is enhanced concurrent capable.

source_disk_data Stanza

Note: The **image.data** file contains one source_disk_data stanza for each disk in the root volume group.

Field	Description
PVID	Specifies the 16 digit physical volume identifier for the disk.
CONNECTION	Specifies the combination of the parent and the connwhere attribute associated with a disk. The format for this field is: <i>parent attribute//connwhere attribute</i> .
LOCATION	Specifies the locations of the disks in the root volume group.

Field	Description
SIZE_MB	Specifies the size, in MB, of the disks in the root volume group.
HDISKNAME	Specifies the names of the disks in the root volume group.

lv_data Stanza

Note: The **image.data** file contains one lv_data stanza for each logical volume created on the system.

Field	Description
VOLUME_GROUP	Specifies the logical volume group name. Volume group names must be unique, system wide, and can range from 1 to 15 characters.
LV_SOURCE_DISK_LIST	Lists the disks in the logical volume.
LV_IDENTIFIER	Contains the identifier of the logical volume.
LOGICAL_VOLUME	Contains the name of the logical volume.
PERMISSION	Sets the access permissions. The field value can be read/write or read only.
VG_STAT	Indicates the state of the volume group. If the volume group is activated with the varyonvg command, the value of the VG_STAT field is either active/complete or active/partial. An active/complete field value indicates that all physical volumes are active, while an active/partial field value indicates that all physical volumes are not active. If the volume group is not activated with the varonvg command, the VG_STAT field value is inactive.
TYPE	Describes the logical volume type.
MAX_LPS	Sets the maximum number of logical partitions within the logical volume.
COPIES	Specifies the number of physical partitions created for each logical partition during the allocation process.
LPS	Specifies the number of logical partitions currently in the logical volume.
STALE_PPs	Specifies the number of physical partitions in the logical volume that are not current.
INTER_POLICY	Specifies the inter-physical allocation policy. The field value can be minimum or maximum.
INTRA_POLICY	Specifies the intra-physical allocation policy. The possible field values are either middle, center, or edge.
MOUNT_POINT	Specifies the file-system mount point for the logical volume, if applicable.
MIRROR_WRITE_CONSISTENCY	Specifies mirror-write consistency state. The field value can be off or on.
LV_SEPARATE_PV	Specifies a yes, no, or super field value for strict allocation. A yes value for strict allocation states that no copies for a logical partition are allocated on the same physical volume. A no value for strict allocation (non-strict) states that at least one occurrence of two physical partitions belong to the same logical partition. A super value for strict allocation (super strictness) states that no partition from one mirror copy may reside on the same disk as another mirror copy.

Field	Description
LV_STATE	Describes the state of the logical volume. An Opened/stale value indicates the logical volume is open but contains physical partitions that are not current. An Open/syncd value indicates the logical volume is open and its physical partitions are current, or synchronized. A Closed value indicates the logical volume has not been opened.
WRITE_VERIFY	Specifies the field value of the write verify state as on or off.
PP_SIZE	Provides the size physical partition.
SCHED_POLICY	Specifies a sequential or parallel scheduling policy.
PP	Specifies the number of physical partitions currently in the logical volume.
BB_POLICY	Specifies the bad block relocation policy.
RELOCATABLE	Indicates whether the partitions can be relocated if a reorganization of partition allocation takes place. The field value can be yes or no.
UPPER_BOUND	Specifies the maximum number of physical volumes for allocation.
LABEL	Specifies the label field for the logical volume.
MAPFILE	Provides the full path name to a map file to be used in creating the logical volume.
LV_MIN_LPS	Specifies the minimum size of the logical volume to use when shrinking the logical volume.
STRIPE_WIDTH	Specifies the number of physical volumes being striped across.
STRIPE_SIZE	Specifies the number of bytes per stripe. Stripe size multiplied by the number of disks in the array equals the stripe size. The field value must be a power of two, between 4KB and 128MB; for example, 4KB, 8KB, 16KB, 32KB, 64KB, 128KB, 256KB, 512KB, 1MB, 2MB, 4MB, 8MB, 16MB, 32MB, 64MB, or 128MB.
SERIALIZE_IO	Turns on/off serialization of overlapping IOs. If serialization is turned on, then overlapping IOs are not allowed on a block range and only a single IO in a block range is processed at any one time. Most applications (file systems and databases) do serialization, so serialization should be turned off.

fs_data Stanza

Field	Description
FS_NAME	Specifies the mount point of the file system.
FS_SIZE	Specifies the size, in 512-byte blocks, of the file system.
FS_MIN_SIZE	Specifies the minimum size required to contain the files of the file system. This size is used when the SHRINK field in the logical_volume_policy stanza has a field value of yes.
FS_LV	Provides the logical volume name. The name must contain the /dev/ prefix. An example of an appropriate name is /dev/hd4 .
FS_FS	Specifies the fragmentation size of the system. This value is optional.
FS_NBPI	Specifies the number of bytes per i-node. This value is optional.

Field	Description
FS_COMPRESS	Designates whether the file system should be compressed or not. The field value can be LZ, which compresses the file system, or the no field value.
FS_BF	Enables the file system for files greater than 2 GB. The possible values are <code>true</code> or <code>false</code> .
FS_AGSIZE	Specifies the allocation group size. The possible values are 8, 16, 32, or 64. The allocation group size is specified in units of megabytes.
FS_JFS2_BS	Specifies the file system block size in bytes, 512, 1024, 2048, or 4096 bytes.
FS_JFS2_SPARSE	Specifies when files are created with holes. The enhanced journaled file system (JFS2) allocates disk blocks for those holes and fills the holes with 0s.
FS_JFS2_INLINELOG	Specifies that the journal log for the enhanced journaled file system (JFS2) is within the file system.
FS_JFS2_SIZEINLINELOG	Specifies the size, in megabytes, for the optional inline journal log. The default is the size of the enhanced journaled file system (JFS2) divided by 256.
FS_JFS2_EFS	Specifies whether a file system must be created as an Encrypted File System (EFS).
FS_JFS2_EAFORMAT	Specifies whether a file system should be created with extended attributes.
FS_JFS2_QUOTA	Specifies whether file and block-usage statistics should be maintained and whether limits should be enforced by the file system.
FS_JFS2_DMAPI	Specifies whether a file system is managed.
FS_JFS2_VIX	Specifies whether a file system can allocate i-node smaller than the default.

post_install_data Stanza

Field	Description
BOSINST_FILE	Provides the full path name of a file or command to execute after BOS install completes.

post_restvg Stanza

Field	Description
RESTVG_FILE	Specifies the full path name of the file or command to execute after the <code>restvg</code> process completes.

Note: The `post_install_data` stanza exists for the ROOTVG volume group and the `post_restvg` stanza is present for other volume groups.

Related information

[mkszfile command](#)

[lslv command](#)

/etc/security/.ids File

Purpose

Contains standard and administrative user IDs and group IDs.

Description

The `/etc/security/.ids` file keeps a count so that every UID (userid) and GID (groupid) has its own unique number. It is not recommended that you edit this file unless it is absolutely necessary.

Example

```
7 201 11 200
```

The first number in the example (7) will be the User ID of the next administrative user created on the system. The second number (201) will be the User ID of the next regular user created on the system. The third number (11) is the next administrative Group ID (GID) that will be used when an administrative user is created on the system. The fourth number (200) is the next regular user GID used when a user is created.

Location

Item	Description
<code>/etc/security/.ids</code>	Location of the <code>.ids</code> file.

Related information

[mkusr command](#)

[mkgroup command](#)

.info File

Purpose

Stores configuration information used by the Network Install Manager (NIM).

Description

The **.info** file contains a series of Korn shell variable assignments used by NIM. The **.info** file is created by NIM for each client. During network boot, the **rc.boot** program uses several of these variables to control processing.

If a client is initialized by NIM, the **.info** file is copied into that client's **/etc** directory as the **/etc/niminfo** file. The **nimclient** command uses the **/etc/niminfo** file to communicate with the NIM master server.

Note: The following variable groups are based upon the function of the variables that they contain. The **.info** file itself is not divided into categories.

Variables used directly by the rc.boot program

Variable	Description
ROUTES	Contains all the routing information the client needs in order to access any allocated NIM resource. This information is presented as a series of space-separated stanzas, each in the following format: <i>DestinationIPAddress:DestinationSubnet:GatewayIPAddress</i>

Variable	Description
SPOT	Specifies the location of the shared product object tree (SPOT) to be used during the boot process. This variable contains the host and pathname of the client's SPOT in the following format: <i>HostName:SPOTDirectory</i>
RC_CONFIG	Specifies the file name of the rc.config script to use.
NIM_HOSTS	Provides information used to construct an /etc/hosts file for the client. The value is formatted as follows: <i>IPAddress:HostName IPAddress:HostName ...</i>

Variables used by any rc.config script

Variable	Description
ROOT	Specifies the host and path name of the client's root directory in the following format: <i>HostName:RootDirectory</i>
MOUNTS	Contains a series of space-separated stanzas, each composed of a remote directory specification and the point where it should be mounted. The stanzas are in the following format: <i>HostName:RemoteDirectory:LocalDirectory</i>

Variables used by the nim commands

Variable	Description
NIM_NAME	Designates the name of the client's NIM machines object.
NIM_CONFIGURATION	Specifies the client's NIM configuration machine type.
NIM_MASTER	Specifies the IP address of the NIM master server.
NIM_MASTER_PORT	Specifies the port number to use for client communications.
NIM_REGISTRATION_PORT	Specifies the port number to use for client registration.
NIM_MAX_RETRIES	Specifies the maximum number of retries for communication attempts with the nimesis daemon.
NIM_MAX_DELAY	Sets the amount of time to wait between retries for communication with the nimesis daemon.

Variables used by BOS Install

The following variables are used by NIM to control Base Operating System (BOS) installation operation:

Variable	Description
NIM_BOSINST_DATA	Specifies the RAM file system path name to the bosinst.data file to be used. This variable has the following format: <i>Pathname</i>
NIM_BOS_IMAGE	Specifies the RAM file system path name to the BOS image.
NIM_CUSTOM	Specifies the path name of the customization script to execute after BOS installation.

Variables used by the rc.dd_boot Script

The **rc.dd** script uses the following variables to perform boot specific processing to create certain NIM resources.

Variable	Description
DTLS_PAGING_SIZE	Contains the paging-space size that you specify. If you have not set the paging space, the value is NULL and the rc.dd_boot script defaults to a paging space twice that of the client's RAM space.
DTLS_LOCAL_FS	Contains a list of acronyms specifying the filesystems to be created locally on the client. The possible values are tmp and home.

Examples

The following is an example of a **.info** file:

```
#-----Network Install
Manager-----
# warning - this file contains NIM configuration information
#          and should only be updated by NIM
export NIM_NAME=dua
export NIM_CONFIGURATION=standalone
export NIM_MASTER_HOSTNAME=satu
export NIM_MASTER_PORT=1058
export NIM_REGISTRATION_PORT=1059
export RC_CONFIG=rc.bos_inst
export SPOT=tiga:/usr
export NIM_CUSTOM=/tmp/dua.script
export NIM_BOS_IMAGE=/SPOT
export NIM_BOS_FORMAT=master
export NIM_HOSTS=" 130.35.130.1:satu 130.35.130.3:tiga "
export MOUNTS="  tiga:/export/logs/dua:/var/adm/ras:dir
tiga:/export/nim/simages
:/SPOT/usr/sys/inst.images:dir
satu:/export/nim/scripts/dua.script:tmp/dua.script:file "
```

Related information

[lsnim command](#)

[nim command](#)

inittab File

Purpose

Controls the initialization process.

Description

The **/etc/inittab** file supplies the script to the **init** command's role as a general process dispatcher. The process that constitutes the majority of the **init** command's process dispatching activities is the **/etc/getty** line process, which initiates individual terminal lines. Other processes typically dispatched by the **init** command are daemons and the shell.

The **/etc/inittab** file is composed of entries that are position-dependent and have the following format:

```
Identifier:RunLevel:Action:Command
```

Note: The colon character (:) is used as a delimiter as well as a comment character. To comment out an **inittab** entry, add **:** at the beginning of the entry. For example:

```
:Identifier:RunLevel:Action:Command
```

Each entry is delimited by a newline character. A backslash (\) preceding a newline character indicates the continuation of an entry. There are no limits (other than maximum entry size) on the number of entries in the **/etc/inittab** file. The maximum entry size is 1024 characters. The entry fields are:

Identifier

A string (one or more than one character) that uniquely identifies an object.

RunLevel

The run level in which this entry can be processed. Run levels effectively correspond to a configuration of processes in the system. Each process started by the **init** command is assigned one or more run levels in which it can exist. Run levels are represented by the numbers 0 through 9. For example, if the system is in run level 1, only those entries with a 1 in the *runlevel* field are started. When you request the **init** command to change run levels, all processes without an entry in the *runlevel* field for the target run level receive a warning signal (**SIGTERM**). There is a 20-second grace period before processes are forcibly terminated by the kill signal (**SIGKILL**). The *runlevel* field can define multiple run levels for a process by selecting more than one run level in any combination from 0 through 9. If no run level is specified, the process is assumed to be valid at all run levels.

There are three other values that appear in the *runlevel* field, even though they are not true run levels: **a**, **b**, and **c**. Entries that have these characters in the *runlevel* field are processed only when the **telinit** command requests them to be run (regardless of the current run level of the system). They differ from run levels in that the **init** command can never enter run level **a**, **b**, or **c**. Also, a request for the execution of any of these processes does not change the current run level. Furthermore, a process started by an **a**, **b**, or **c** command is not killed when the **init** command changes levels. They are only killed if their line in the */etc/inittab* file is marked off in the *action* field, their line is deleted entirely from */etc/inittab*, or the **init** command goes into single-user mode.

Action

Tells the **init** command how to treat the process specified in the *identifier* field. The following actions are recognized by the **init** command:

respawn

If the process does not exist, start the process. Do not wait for its termination (continue scanning the */etc/inittab* file). Restart the process when it dies. If the process exists, do nothing and continue scanning the */etc/inittab* file.

wait

When the **init** command enters the run level that matches the entry's run level, start the process and wait for its termination. All subsequent reads of the */etc/inittab* file while the **init** command is in the same run level will cause the **init** command to ignore this entry.

once

When the **init** command enters a run level that matches the entry's run level, start the process, and do not wait for its termination. When it dies, do not restart the process. When the system enters a new run level, and the process is still running from a previous run level change, the program will not be restarted. All subsequent reads of the */etc/inittab* file while the **init** command is in the same run level will cause the **init** command to ignore this entry.

boot

Process the entry only during system boot, which is when the **init** command reads the */etc/inittab* file during system startup. Start the process, do not wait for its termination, and when it dies, do not restart the process. In order for the instruction to be meaningful, the run level should be the default or it must match the **init** command's run level at boot time. This action is useful for an initialization function following a hardware reboot of the system.

bootwait

Process the entry the first time that the **init** command goes from single-user to multi-user state after the system is booted. Start the process, wait for its termination, and when it dies, do not restart the process. If the **initdefault** is 2, run the process right after boot.

powerfail

Execute the process associated with this entry only when the **init** command receives a power fail signal (**SIGPWR**).

powerwait

Execute the process associated with this entry only when the **init** command receives a power fail signal (**SIGPWR**), and wait until it terminates before continuing to process the */etc/inittab* file.

off

If the process associated with this entry is currently running, send the warning signal (**SIGTERM**), and wait 20 seconds before terminating the process with the kill signal (**SIGKILL**). If the process is not running, ignore this entry.

ondemand

Functionally identical to **respawn**, except this action applies to the **a**, **b**, or **c** values, not to run levels.

initdefault

An entry with this action is only scanned when the **init** command is initially invoked. The **init** command uses this entry, if it exists, to determine which run level to enter initially. It does this by taking the highest run level specified in the *runlevel* field and using that as its initial state. If the *runlevel* field is empty, this is interpreted as 0123456789; therefore, the **init** command enters run level 9. Additionally, if the **init** command does not find an **initdefault** entry in the **/etc/inittab** file, it requests an initial run level from the user at boot time.

sysinit

Entries of this type are executed before the **init** command tries to access the console before login. It is expected that this entry will only be used to initialize devices on which the **init** command might try to ask the run level question. These entries are executed and waited for before continuing.

Command

A shell command to execute. The entire *command* field is prefixed with **exec** and passed to a forked **sh** as **sh -c exec command**. Any legal **sh** syntax can appear in this field. Comments can be inserted with the **#** comment syntax.

The **getty** command writes over the output of any commands that appear before it in the **inittab** file. To record the output of these commands to the boot log, pipe their output to the **alog -tboot** command.

The **stdin**, **stdout** and **stderr** file descriptors may not be available while **init** is processing **inittab** entries. Any entries writing to **stdout** or **stderr** may not work predictably unless they redirect their output to a file or to **/dev/console**.

The following commands are the only supported method for modifying the records in the **/etc/inittab** file:

Command	Purpose
chitab	Changes records in the /etc/inittab file.
lsitab	Lists records in the /etc/inittab file.
mkitab	Adds records to the /etc/inittab file.
rmitab	Removes records from the /etc/inittab file.

Examples

1. To start the **ident** process at all run levels, enter:

```
ident:0123456789:Action:Command
```

2. To start the **ident** process only at run level 2, enter:

```
ident:2:Action:Command
```

3. To disable run levels 0, 3, 6-9 for the **ident** process, enter:

```
ident:1245:Action:Command
```

4. To start the **rc** command at run level 2 and send its output to the boot log, enter:

```
rc:2:wait:/etc/rc 2>&1 | alog -tboot >  
/dev/console
```

Files

Item	Description
/etc/inittab	Specifies the path of the inittab file.
/usr/sbin/getty	Indicates terminal lines.

Related information

[chitab command](#)

[mkitab command](#)

[Modifying the /etc/inittab file](#)

isns_servers File

Purpose

Configures iSNS servers.

Description

The `isns_servers` file is used to configure iSNS servers. This file is used for the iSCSI target registration with iSNS protocol while configuring an iSCSI target. You can use comments in the `isns_servers` file. The comment character is `"#"`, and must be the first character on the line. Blank lines are ignored.

The `isns_servers` file is a stanzas normalized file. Each stanza can be defined with the following two attributes:

- *ip_address* defines the IP address of the server.
- *port* defines the server listening port.

The **default** stanza defines the default *ip_address* and *port* that are used if one field is omitted.

The **registration_period** stanza allows you to set the refresh period for the iSNS registration. The iSNS server removes the registration after a period of time. A daemon has to refresh registrations before this lifetime. The period field of **registration_period** defines the period of time that an iSNS daemon can use. This setting is common for all iSNS servers that are defined in this file.

Examples

Example configuration	Description
default: <i>ip_address:</i> auto <i>port:</i> 3205 registration_period: <i>period:</i> 120 myserver: <i>ip_address:</i> 172.16.128.4 isns_srv: <i>ip_address:</i> 172.16.128.108 <i>port:</i> 3206	This configuration defines the following characteristics: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• A remote iSNS server (myserver) whose IP address is 172.16.128.4 and listens on the default iSNS server port 3205.• A remote iSNS server (isns_srv) whose IP address is 172.16.128.108 and listens on port 3206.• An iSNS daemon refreshes registrations with the iSNS server every 120 seconds.
default: <i>ip_address:</i> 172.16.128.4 <i>port:</i> 3205 registration_period: <i>period:</i> 900 myserver1: myserver2: <i>port:</i> 3206 isns_srv: <i>ip_address:</i> 172.16.128.108	This configuration defines the following characteristics: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Two remote iSNS servers (myserver1 and myserver2) that both have the default IP address 172.16.128.4. myserver1 listens on the default iSNS server port 3205. myserver2 listens on port 3206.• A remote iSNS server (isns_srv) whose IP address is 172.16.128.108 and listens on port 3205.• An iSNS daemon refreshes registrations with the iSNS server every 900 seconds (or 15 minutes).

Attention: Do not rename the following fields: default, ip_address, port, registration_period and period.

Files

Item	Description
/etc/tmisci/ isns_servers	Configures iSNS servers.

irs.conf File

Purpose

Specifies the ordering of certain name resolution services.

Description

The **/etc/irs.conf** file is used to control the order of mechanisms that the resolver libraries use in searching for network-related data. The following subroutines resolve host names, networks, services, protocols, and netgroups:

Network Data	Subroutines
host names	gethostbyname , gethostaddr , gethostent
networks	getnetbyname , getnetbyaddr , getnetent
services	getservbyname , getservbyaddr , getservent
protocols	getprotobyname , getprotobyaddr , getprotoent
netgroups	getnetgrent

Because these subroutines are commonly used in many TCP/IP applications, using the **irs.conf** file can control the directions of the queries made by these applications as well.

By default, the subroutines use the lookup mechanisms to resolve host names in this order:

1. Domain Name Server (DNS)
2. Network Information Service (NIS), if active
3. local files

By default, the subroutines use the lookup mechanisms to resolve networks in this order:

1. DNS
2. NIS, if active
3. local files

By default, the subroutines use the lookup mechanisms to resolve other maps in this order:

1. NIS, if active
2. local files

You can override the default order by modifying the **/etc/irs.conf** configuration file and specifying the desired ordering.

The settings in the **/etc/netsvc.conf** configuration file override the settings in the **/etc/irs.conf** file. The **NSORDER** environment variable overrides the settings in the **/etc/irs.conf** and the **/etc/netsvc.conf** files.

To use DNS to obtain information concerning netgroups, protocols, and services, you must create and use a Hesiod DNS Zone in the following format:

map mechanism [option]

The following values are available for the *map* parameter:

Value	Description
services	Lists the port numbers, transport protocols, and names of well-known services
protocols	Retrieves official names and protocol numbers of protocol aliases
hosts	Defines the mappings between host names and their IP addresses
networks	Retrieves network names and addresses
netgroup	Retrieves groups of hosts, networks, and users in this group

The following values are available for the *mechanism* parameter:

Value	Description
local	Examines local configuration files (/etc/hosts , /etc/protocols , /etc/services , /etc/netgroup , and /etc/networks files)
dns	Queries DNS; the /etc/resolv.conf file must be configured for this mechanism to work.
nis	Queries NIS; the NIS client must be active on the system for this mechanism to work.
ldap	Queries the LDAP server; the resolv.ldap file must be configured for this mechanism to work. Note: You can only assign the value hosts to the <i>map</i> parameter for ldap . Although still supported, the use of the ldap mechanism is deprecated. Use of the nis_ldap mechanism is recommended.
nis_ldap	Queries the LDAP server configured in the ldap.cfg file. The LDAP client should be set up on the system using mksecldap command, to use this mechanism. All map types are supported by nis_ldap .
local4	Examines local configuration files for IPv4 addresses.
local6	Examines local configuration files for IPv6 addresses.
dns4	Queries DNS for A records (IPv4 addresses); the /etc/resolv.conf file must be configured for this mechanism to work.
dns6	Queries DNS for AAAA records (IPv6 addresses); the /etc/resolv.conf file must be configured for this mechanism to work.
nis4	Queries NIS for information about IPv4 addresses; the NIS client must be active on the system to use this mechanism.
nis6	Queries NIS for information about IPv6 addresses; the NIS client must be active on the system to use this mechanism.
ldap4	Queries the LDAP server for information about IPv4 addresses.
ldap6	Queries the LDAP server for information about IPv6 addresses.

The following values are available for the *option* parameter:

Value	Description
continue	If the information is not found in the specified mechanism, then instructs the resolver to continue to the next line, which should list another mechanism for the same map
merge	Merges all responses from multiple <i>mechanism</i> parameters into one response

Examples

1. To use only the local **/etc/hosts** file for host name resolution, enter:

```
hosts local
```

2. To use the LDAP server to resolve a host name that cannot be found in the the **/etc/hosts** file, enter:

```
hosts local continue
hosts ldap
```

3. To use only DNS to resolve host names and to use NIS to resolve protocols, enter:

```
hosts dns
protocols nis
```

4. To use only NIS to resolve host name addresses and netgroups and to use the local files to resolve services and networks, enter:


```
hosts nis
services local
netgroup nis
networks local
```

5. To try to resolve host names from the local **/etc/hosts** file and, after not finding them, try to resolve from DNS, then NIS, enter:

```
hosts local continue
hosts dns continue
hosts nis continue
```

6. To try to resolve host names from the local **/etc/hosts** file, merge any information found with any DNS information found, and then merge this information to any NIS information found, enter:

```
hosts local merge
hosts dns merge
hosts nis
```

If the resolver finds no information, it returns none. If it finds information from more than one source, it returns that information as a merged response from all of the available sources.

7. To examine the local **/etc/services** file for port numbers before querying NIS, enter:

```
services local continue
services nis
```

This entry in the **/etc/irs.conf** file could speed up the request; normally, querying NIS takes more time than querying the local file. If the resolver does not find the information in the local file, it searches NIS.

8. To query for IPv4 network addresses only from DNS and to query IPv6 host addresses only from the local file, enter:

```
networks dns4
hosts local6
```

9. In this example, assume the following presuppositions:

- The **/etc/hosts** file contains the following information:

```
1.2.3.4 host4
1.2.3.5 host5
1.2.3.6 host6
```

- The information in DNS is the following:

```
1.2.3.2 host2
1.2.3.3 host3
```

- The information in NIS is the following:

```
1.2.3.1 host1
```

To instruct the **gethostbyname** subroutine to look for the host name first in the local configuration files, then to continue to search in DNS if the host name is not found, and finally to continue searching in NIS if the host name is not found, create the following entry in the **/etc/irs.conf** file:

```
hosts local continue
hosts dns continue
hosts nis
```

In this example, the **gethostbyname** subroutine cannot find the host name in the **/etc/hosts** file and continues to search for the host name in DNS. After not finding it in DNS, it continues to search in NIS. After finding the address in NIS, it returns 1.2.3.1.

10. In this example, assume the following presuppositions:

- The **/etc/hosts** file contains the following information:

```
1.1.1.1 hostname
```

- The information in DNS is the following:

```
1.1.1.2 hostname
```

To instruct the **gethostbyname** subroutine to merge all the answers from the specified mechanisms into one reply, create the following entry in the **/etc/irs.conf** file:

```
hosts local merge
hosts dns
```

The **gethostbyname** subroutine returns 1.1.1.1 1.1.1.2.

Files

Item	Description
/etc/hosts	Contains the Internet Protocol (IP) name and addresses of hosts on the local network
/etc/protocols	Contains official names and protocol numbers of protocol aliases
/etc/services	Contains lists of the port numbers, transport protocols, and names of well-known services
/etc/netgroup	Contains a list of groups of hosts, networks, and users in these groups
/etc/networks	Contains a list of network names and addresses
/etc/resolv.conf	Contains Domain Name Protocol (DOMAIN) name-server information for local resolver subroutines
/etc/netsvc.conf	Specifies the ordering of certain name resolution services
/etc/resolv.ldap	Contains the IP address of the LDAP server

Related reference

[hosts File Format for TCP/IP](#)

[netgroup File for NIS](#)

[netsvc.conf File](#)

[networks File Format for TCP/IP](#)

Related information

[mksecdap command](#)

ispaths File

Purpose

Defines the location of all databases in a library.

Description

The **ispaths** file contains a block of information (a stanza) for each database in a library. A library consists of up to 63 standalone or cross-linked databases. The **ispaths** file for the default database library resides in the **/usr/lpp/info/data** directory. The **ispaths** files for other public libraries may reside in the **/usr/lpp/info/data/LibraryName** directory, and contain a stanza of information for each database in the library.

Each stanza must have the following format:

Line	Explanation of Content
id <i>DatabaseNumber</i>	Represents the number of the database. This number can be between 0 and 1462, with a maximum of 1563 databases in a library. (Database number 1563 is reserved for the help database.) Note: The order of databases in the ispaths file must match the order of databases in the dbnames file used during the build process.
primnav TRUE	(Optional.) Indicates whether the database contains any of the primary navigation articles. The primnav line can be set to TRUE for only one database in the library. Omit this line unless its value is TRUE .
browse TRUE	(Optional.) Indicates whether the entire library is browse enabled with the browse button displayed in the reading window. Omit this line if its value is not TRUE .
glossary TRUE	(Optional.) Indicates whether the database contains glossary entries. The glossary line can be set to TRUE for only one database in the library. Omit this line unless its value is TRUE .
name <i>Database</i>	Specifies the name of the database.
title <i>DatabaseTitle</i>	Specifies the title that is assigned to the database. This title is displayed in the search results window (the Match Lists window) and the Database selection window helps users narrow their searches.
key <i>DatabasePath/DatabaseName.key</i>	Specifies the full path name of the database .key file.
rom <i>DatabasePath /DatabaseName.rom</i>	Specifies the full path name of the database .rom file.

The optional field **browse** can be specified in any of the stanzas, and its value will be applied to the entire library. The **browse** field does not need to be specified in each stanza for each library that has browse capability.

Examples

The following is an example of an **ispaths** file for a sample database.

The **isprime** file for this database specifies these primary navigation articles:

- Commands
- System Calls
- Subroutines
- Special Files
- File Formats
- List of Tasks
- List of Books

- Education

All the top-level lists reside in the navigation database.

```
#####
#      info Navigation Database
#####
id      0
primenav TRUE
browse  TRUE
name    nav
title   Navigation
key     /usr/lpp/info/%L/nav/nav.key
rom     /usr/lpp/info/%L/nav/nav.rom

#####
#      info System Calls Database
#####
id      1
name    calls
title   System Calls
key     /usr/lpp/info/%L/calls/calls.key
rom     /usr/lpp/info/%L/calls/calls.rom

#####
#      info Subroutines Database
#####
id      2
name    subs
title   Subroutines
key     /usr/lpp/info/%L/subs/subs.key
rom     /usr/lpp/info/%L/subs/subs.rom

#####
#      info Special Files Database
#####
id      3
name    file
title   Special Files
key     /usr/lpp/info/%L/file/file.key
rom     /usr/lpp/info/%L/file/file.rom

#####
#      info File Formats Database
#####
id      4
name    fls
title   File Formats
key     /usr/lpp/info/%L/fls/fls.key
rom     /usr/lpp/info/%L/fls/fls.rom

#####
#      info Commands Database
#####
id      5
name    cmds
title   Commands
key     /usr/lpp/info/%L/cmds/cmds.key
rom     /usr/lpp/info/%L/cmds/cmds.rom

#####
#      info Book Contents Database
#####
id      6
name    books
title   Content Lists
key     /usr/lpp/info/%L/books/books.key
rom     /usr/lpp/info/%L/books/books.rom

#####
#      info Education Database
#####
id      7
name    educ
```

```
title    Education
key      /usr/lpp/info/%L/educ/educ.key
rom      /usr/lpp/info/%L/educ/educ.rom
```

Files

Item

/usr/lpp/info/data/ispaths

/usr/lpp/info/data/LibraryName/ispaths

/usr/lpp/info/data/LibraryName/isprime

Description

Contains the **ispaths** file for the operating system library.

Contains the **ispaths** file for the *LibraryName* library.

Contains the names and numbers of button labels for the primary navigation articles in *LibraryName*.

Related reference

[isprime File](#)

isprime File

Purpose

Specifies the labels for links to primary navigation articles.

Description

The **isprime** file specifies labels for buttons located at the bottom of a navigation window. These button labels or menu options serve as links to the primary navigation articles. Labels for up to eight primary navigation articles can be defined in the **isprime** file. The text string that serves as the label or options can consist of any alphanumeric combination, including spaces.

The format for the **isprime** file is as follows:

```
1 TextForFirstLink
2 TextForSecondLink
3 TextForThirdLink
4 TextForFourthLink
5 TextForFifthLink
6 TextForSixthLink
7 TextForSeventhLink
8 TextForEighthLink
```

Examples

An **isprime** file for a sample database might look as follows:

```
1 Commands
2 System Calls
3 Subroutines
4 Special Files
5 File Formats
6 List of Tasks
7 List of Books
8 Education
```

Files

Item	Description
/usr/lpp/info/data/LibraryName/isprime	Contains labels for links to primary navigation articles.
Related reference	
ispaths File	

.kshrc File

Purpose

Contains a shell script that customizes the Korn shell environment.

Description

The **\$HOME/.kshrc** file is a shell script that customizes the Korn-shell environment. This **.kshrc** script often contains a list of environment variables, command aliases, and function definitions that customize the Korn-shell environment.

Each time you start a new instance of the Korn shell, the **ksh** command examines the value of the **ENV** environment variable set in the **\$HOME/.profile** file. If the **ENV** environment variable contains the name of an existing, readable file, the **ksh** command runs this file as a script. By convention, this file is named **\$HOME/.kshrc**. You can use another name, but you must set the **ENV** environment variable to point to it.

Note: **.kshrc** should never output (echo, print, or call any program that echos or prints) anything.

Examples

The following is a sample of a **.kshrc** script on one specific system. The contents of your **.kshrc** file can be significantly different.

```
# @(#) .kshrc 1.0

# Base Korn Shell environment

# Approach:

#      shell      initializations go in ~/.kshrc
#      user       initializations go in ~/.profile
#      host / all_user initializations go in /etc/profile
#      hard / software initializations go in /etc/environment

# DEBUG=y      # uncomment to report

[ "$DEBUG" ] && echo "Entering .kshrc"

set -o allexport

# options for all shells -----

# LIBPATH must be here because ksh is setuid, and LIBPATH is
# cleared when setuid programs are started, due to security hole.

LIBPATH=./local/lib:/lib:/usr/lib
```

```
# options for interactive shells follow-----
```

```
TTY=$(tty|cut -f3-4 -d/)
HISTFILE=$HOME/.sh_hist$(echo ${TTY} | tr -d '/')
PWD=$(pwd)
PS1='
${LOGNAME}@${HOSTNAME} on ${TTY}
[${PWD}] '
```

```
# aliases
```

```
[ "$DEBUG" ] && echo "Setting aliases"
```

```
alias man="/afs/austin/local/bin/man -e less"
alias pg="pg -n -p':Page %d: '"
alias more="pg -n -p':Page %d: '"
alias cls="tput clear"
alias sane="stty sane"
alias rsz='eval $(resize)'
```

```
# mail check
```

```
if [ -s "$MAIL" ]      # This is at Shell startup. In
then echo "$MAILMSG"   # normal operation, the Shell checks
fi                    # periodically.
```

```
# aixterm window title
```

```
[[ "$TERM" = "aixterm" ]] && echo
"\033]0;$USER@${HOSTNAME%t1}\007"
```

```
# functions
```

```
[ "$DEBUG" ] && echo "Setting functions"
```

```
function pid { ps -e | grep $@ | cut -d" " -f1; }
```

```
function df {
    /bin/df $* | grep -v afs;
    echo "\nAFS:";
    /usr/afs/bin/fs listquota /afs;
}
```

```
function term {
    if [ $# -eq 1 ]
    then
        echo $TERM
        TERM=$1
        export TERM
    fi
    echo $TERM
}
```

```
function back {
```

```
    cd $OLDPWD
    echo $CWD $OLDPWD
}
```

```
[ "$DEBUG" ] && echo "Exiting .kshrc"
```

```
set +o allexport
```

Files

Item	Description
/etc/environment	Contains system-wide environment variable definitions.
/etc/profile	Contains system-wide environment customization.
\$HOME/.kshrc	Sets the user environment for each start of the Korn shell.
\$HOME/.profile	Contains user-specific logon initialization.

Related information

[ksh command](#)

[Shells command](#)

[Files](#)

lapi_subroutines Information

Purpose

Provides overview information about the subroutines that constitute the low-level application programming interface (LAPI).

Library

Availability Library (liblapi_r.a)

C Syntax

```
#include <lapi.h>

int lapi_subroutines(parm1, parm2...)
type1 parm1;
type2 parm2;
:
```

FORTRAN Syntax

```
include 'lapif.h'

LAPI_SUBROUTINES(parm1, parm2..., ieror)
TYPE1 :: parm1;
TYPE2 :: parm2;
:
INTEGER ieror
```

Description

LAPI subroutines provide a wide variety of functions that can be used efficiently and flexibly to obtain most behaviors required from any parallel programming API.

Programming with C++

LAPI subroutines provide extern "C" declarations for C++ programming.

Profiling

LAPI's profiling interface includes wrappers for each LAPI function, so you can collect data about each of the LAPI calls. See the *RSCT for AIX 5L: LAPI Programming Guide* for more information.

Querying runtime values

You can find out the size (or size range) of certain parameters by calling the `LAPI_Qenv` subroutine with the appropriate query type. For example, call `LAPI_Qenv` with the `LOC_ADDRTBL_SZ` query type to find out the size of the address table used by the `LAPI_Addr_set` subroutine:

```
LAPI_Qenv(hndl, LOC_ADDRTBL_SZ, ret_val)
```

Now, if you want to register a function address using `LAPI_Addr_set`:

```
LAPI_Addr_set(hndl, addr, addr_hndl)
```

The value of index `addr_hndl` must be in the range:

$1 \leq \text{addr_hndl} < \text{LOC_ADDRTBL_SZ}$

When used to show the size of a parameter, a comparison of values, or a range of values, valid values for the *query* parameter of the `LAPI_Qenv` subroutine appear in **SMALL, BOLD** capital letters. For example:

NUM_TASKS

is a shorthand notation for:

```
LAPI_Qenv(hndl, NUM_TASKS, ret_val)
```

See `LAPI_Qenv` subroutine for a list of the *query* parameter's valid values.

Parameters

Parameter definitions are listed as follows:

INPUT

parm1

Describes *parm1*.

INPUT/OUTPUT

This section includes all LAPI counters.

parm2

Describes *parm2*.

OUTPUT

Function calls are nonblocking, so counter behavior is asynchronous with respect to the function call.

ierror

Specifies a FORTRAN return code. This is always the last parameter.

Return Values

LAPI_SUCCESS

Indicates that the function call completed successfully.

Any other return values for the subroutine appear here.

For a complete list, see the *RSCT for AIX 5L: LAPI Programming Guide*.

For information about LAPI error messages, see *RSCT: Messages*.

Restrictions

Any specific restrictions for the subroutine appear here.

Also, see the *RSCT for AIX 5L: LAPI Programming Guide* for more information.

C Examples

Any C examples of the subroutine appear here.

FORTRAN Examples

Any FORTRAN examples of the subroutine appear here.

ldapid.ldif.template File

Purpose

Sets the base ID entry in LDAP for new accounts.

Description

The `/etc/security/ldap/ldapid.ldif.template` file can be used to update the base ID entries of an LDAP server. With proper value settings to the attributes of the base ID entry, new LDAP accounts created using the `mkuser` and `mkgroup` commands will have numeric ID values greater or equal to the corresponding base value.

For example, if `aixuserid` value is set to 10000, new user accounts created in LDAP will have numeric ID values greater than or equal to 10 000.

Because specifying IDs from the command line using the `mkuser` and `mkgroup` commands is not under control of the base ID entry, an administrator can create accounts of any ID value by specifying the ID from the command line.

The base ID entry contains the following four fields:

Item	Description
aixadmingroupid	Base ID for admin groups. The default value is 1.
aixadminuserid	Base ID for admin users. The default value is 1.
aixgroupid	Base ID for groups. The default value is 200.
aixuserid	Base ID for users. The default value is 200.

These values can be changed by using the `ldapadd` command and `ldapmodify` command with the `/etc/security/ldap/ldapid.ldif.template` file. The content of the file:

Example

```
dn: cn=aixbaseid,<ou=system,cn=aixdata>
objectClass: aixadmin
aixadmingroupid: 10000
aixadminuserid: 10000
aixgroupid: 10000
aixuserid: 10000
```

Location

Item	Description
<code>/etc/security/ldap/ldapid.ldif.template</code>	Contains the template base ID entry for LDAP servers.

Related reference

[login.cfg File](#)

Related information

[mkuser Command](#)

[Lightweight Directory Access Protocol](#)

limits File

Purpose

Defines process resource limits for users.

Description

Note: Changing the limit does not affect those processes that were started by **init**. Alternatively, **ulimits** are only used by those processes that go through the login processes.

The **/etc/security/limits** file defines process resource limits for users. This file is an ASCII file that contains stanzas that specify the process resource limits for each user. These limits are set by individual attributes within a stanza.

Each stanza is identified by a user name followed by a colon, and contains attributes in the *Attribute=Value* form. Each attribute is ended by a new-line character, and each stanza is ended by an additional new-line character. If you do not define an attribute for a user, the system applies default values.

If the hard values are not explicitly defined in the **/etc/security/limits** file but the soft values are, the system substitutes the following values for the hard limits:

Resource	Hard Value
Core Size	unlimited
CPU Time	cpu
Data Size	unlimited
File Size	fsize
Memory Size	unlimited
Stack Size	4194304
File Descriptors	unlimited
Threads	unlimited
Processes	unlimited

Note: Use a value of -1 to set a resource to unlimited.

If the hard values are explicitly defined but the soft values are not, the system sets the soft values equal to the hard values.

You can set the following limits on a user:

Limit	Description
fsize	Identifies the soft limit for the largest file a user's process can create or extend.
core	Specifies the soft limit for the largest core file a user's process can create.
cpu	Sets the soft limit for the largest amount of system unit time (in seconds) that a user's process can use.
data	Identifies the soft limit for the largest process data segment for a user's process.
stack	Specifies the soft limit for the largest process stack segment for a user's process.

Limit	Description
rss	Sets the soft limit for the largest amount of physical memory a user's process can allocate. This limit is not enforced by the system.
nofiles	Sets the soft limit for the number of file descriptors a user process may have open at one time.
threads	Sets the soft limit for the number of threads per process.
nproc	Sets the soft limit for the number of processes per user.
core_hard	Specifies the largest core file a user's process can create.
cpu_hard	Sets the largest amount of system unit time (in seconds) that a user's process can use.
data_hard	Identifies the largest process data segment for a user's process.
fsize_hard	Identifies the largest file a user's process can create or extend.
rss_hard	Sets the largest amount of physical memory a user's process can allocate. This limit is not enforced by the system.
stack_hard	Specifies the largest process stack segment for a user's process.
nofiles_hard	Sets the hard limit for the number of file descriptors a user process may have open at one time.
threads_hard	Sets the hard limit for the number of threads per process.
nproc_hard	Sets the hard limit for the number of processes per user.

Except for the **cpu**, **nofiles**, **threads**, and **nproc** attributes, each attribute must be a decimal integer string that represents the number of 512-byte blocks allotted to a user. This decimal integer represents a 32-bit value and can have a maximum value of 2147483647. The **cpu** and **nofiles** attributes represent the maximum number of seconds of system time that a user's process can use, and the maximum number of files a user's process can have open at one time. The **threads** attribute represents the maximum number of threads each process can create. The **nproc** attribute represents the maximum number of processes each user can create. For an example of a **limits** stanza, see the ["Examples"](#) section .

When you create a user with the **mkuser** command, the system adds a stanza for the user to the **limits** file. Once the stanza exists, you can use the **chuser** command to change the user's limits. To display the current limits for a user, use the **lsuser** command. To remove users and their stanzas, use the **rmuser** command.

Note: Access to the user database files should be through the system commands and subroutines defined for this purpose. Access through other commands or subroutines may not be supported in future releases.

Security

Access Control: This file should grant read (r) access to the root user and members of the security group, and write (w) access only to the root user. Access for other users and groups depends upon the security policy for the system.

Auditing Events:

Event	Information
S_LIMITS_WRITE	file name

Examples

A typical record looks like the following example for user dhs:

```
dhs:
  fsize = 8192
  core = 4096
  cpu = 3600
  data = 1272
  stack = 1024
  rss = 1024
  nofiles = 2000
  threads = -1
  nproc = -1
```

Files

Item	Description
/etc/security/limits	Specifies the path to the file.
/etc/group	Contains the basic group attributes.
/etc/security/group	Contains the extended attributes of groups.
/etc/passwd	Contains the basic user attributes.
/etc/security/passwd	Contains password information.
/etc/security/user	Contains the extended attributes of users.
/etc/security/environ	Contains the environment attributes of users.
/etc/security/audit/config	Contains audit-system configuration information.
/usr/lib/security/mkuser.default	Contains the default values for user accounts.
/etc/security/lastlog	Contains last login information.

Related information

[chuser command](#)

[rmuser command](#)

[getuserattr subroutine](#)

local_domain File

Purpose

Contains the NFS local domain.

Description

The `/etc/nfs/local_domain` file contains the local NFS domain of the system. This local domain is used to determine how to translate incoming and outgoing NFS requests. The NFS local domain must be set before using NFS V4.

The NFS local domain may be set using the `chnfsdom` command.

The format of the `/etc/nfs/local_domain` is the domain name on the first line.

Files

Item	Description
<code>/etc/nfs/local_domain</code>	The <code>local_domain</code> file.

login.cfg File

Purpose

Contains configuration information for login and user authentication.

Description

The `/etc/security/login.cfg` file is an ASCII file that contains stanzas of configuration information for login and user authentication. Each stanza has a name, followed by a colon (:), that defines its purpose. Attributes are in the form *Attribute=Value*. Each attribute ends with a newline character, and each stanza ends with an additional newline character. For an example of a stanza, see the ["Examples"](#) section.

There are two types of stanzas:

Stanzas	Definition
port	Defines the login characteristics of ports.
<u>user configuration</u>	Defines programs that change user attributes.

Port Stanzas

Port stanzas define the login characteristics of ports and are named with the full path name of the port. Each port should have its own separate stanza. Each stanza has the following attributes:

Attribute	Definition
herald	Defines the login message printed when the getty process opens the port. The default herald is the login prompt. The value is a character string.
herald2	Defines the login message printed after a failed login attempt. The default herald is the login prompt. The value is a character string.
logindelay	Defines the delay factor (in seconds) between unsuccessful login attempts. The value is a decimal integer string. The default value is 0, indicating no delay between unsuccessful login attempts.
logindisable	Defines the number of unsuccessful login attempts allowed before the port is locked. The value is a decimal integer string. The default value is 0, indicating that the port cannot lock as a result of unsuccessful login attempts.
logininterval	Defines the time interval (in seconds) in which the specified unsuccessful login attempts must occur before the port is locked. The value is a decimal integer string. The default value is 0.
loginreenable	Defines the time interval (in minutes) a port is unlocked after a system lock. The value is a decimal integer string. The default value is 0, indicating that the port is not automatically unlocked.

Attribute
logintimes

Definition

Specifies the times, days, or both, the user is allowed to access the system. The value is a comma-separated list of entries of the following form:

```
[!]:time-time  
-or-  
[!]day[-day][:time-time]  
-or-  
[!]date[-date][:time-time]
```

The *day* variable must be one digit between 0 - 6 that represents one of the days of the week. A 0 (zero) indicates Sunday and a 6 indicates Saturday.

The *time* variable is 24-hour military time (1700 is 5:00 p.m.). Leading zeroes are required. For example, you must enter 0800, not 800. The *time* variable must be four characters in length, and there must be a leading colon (:). An entry consisting of only a time specification applies to every day. The start hour of a time value must be less than the end hour.

The *date* variable is a four digit string in the form *mmdd*. *mm* represents the calendar month, with 00 indicating January and 11 indicating December. *dd* represents the day number. For example 0001 represents January 1. *dd* may be 00 to indicate the entire month, if the entry is not a range, or indicating the first or last day of the month depending on whether it appears as part of the start or end of a range. For example, 0000 indicates the entire month of January. 0500 indicates the entire month of June. 0311-0500 indicates April 11 through the last day of June.

Entries in this list specify times that a user is allowed or denied access to the system. Entries not preceded by an exclamation point (!) allow access and are called ALLOW entries. Entries prefixed with an exclamation point (!) deny access to the system and are called DENY entries. The ! operator applies to only one entry, not the whole restriction list. It must appear at the beginning of an entry.

pwdprompt

Defines the message that is displayed at a password prompt. The message value is a character string. Format specifiers will not be interpreted. If the attribute is undefined, a default prompt from the message catalog will be used.

sak_enabled

Defines whether the secure attention key (SAK) is enabled for the port. The SAK key is the Ctrl-X, Ctrl-R key sequence. Possible values for the **sak_enabled** attribute are:

true

SAK processing is enabled, so the key sequence establishes a trusted path for the port.

false

SAK processing is not enabled, so a trusted path cannot be established. This is the default value.

The **sak_enabled** stanza can also be modified to close a potential exposure that exists when tty login devices are writable by others; for example, when the tty mode is 0622. If the **sak_enabled** stanza is set to True, the tty mode is set to a more restrictive 0600 at login. If the **sak_enabled** stanza is set to False (or absent), the tty mode is set to 0622.

Attribute	Definition
synonym	<p>Defines other path names for the terminal. This attribute revokes access to the port and is used only for trusted path processing. The path names should be device special files with the same major and minor number and should not include hard or symbolic links. The value is a list of comma-separated path names.</p> <p>Synonyms are not associative. For example, if you specify <code>synonym=/dev/tty0</code> in the stanza for the <code>/dev/console</code> path name, then the <code>/dev/tty0</code> path name is a synonym for the <code>/dev/console</code> path name. However, the <code>/dev/console</code> path name is not a synonym for the <code>/dev/tty0</code> path name unless you specify <code>synonym=/dev/console</code> in the stanza for the <code>/dev/tty0</code> path name.</p>
usernameecho	<p>Defines whether the user name is echoed on a port. Possible values for the <code>usernameecho</code> attribute are:</p> <p>true User name echo is enabled. The user name will be displayed. This is the default value.</p> <p>false User name echo is disabled. The user name will not be echoed at the login prompt and will be masked out of related messages that contain the user name.</p>
minsl	<p>Defines the minimum sensitivity level (SL) assigned to this port.</p> <p>Restriction: This attribute is valid only for Trusted AIX. For more information about Trusted AIX, see Trusted AIX in <i>Security</i>.</p> <p>The valid values are defined in the <code>/etc/security/enc/LabelEncodings</code> file for the system. You must define the value in quotation marks (" ") if it has white spaces. The minsl value is dominated by the maxsl value for the port.</p> <p>To log in using this port, you must have an effective SL that dominates this value.</p>
maxsl	<p>Defines the maximum sensitivity level assigned to this port.</p> <p>Restriction: This attribute is valid only for Trusted AIX. For more information about Trusted AIX, see Trusted AIX in <i>Security</i>.</p> <p>The valid values are defined in the <code>/etc/security/enc/LabelEncodings</code> file. You must define the value in quotation marks (" ") if it has white spaces. The maxsl value dominates the minsl value for the port.</p> <p>To log in using this port, you must have an effective SL that this value dominates.</p>
tl	<p>Defines the integrity level that is assigned to this port.</p> <p>Restriction: This attribute is valid only for Trusted AIX. For more information about Trusted AIX, see Trusted AIX in <i>Security</i>.</p> <p>The valid values are defined in the <code>/etc/security/enc/LabelEncodings</code> file. You must define the value in quotation marks (" ") if it has white spaces.</p> <p>If this value is NOTL, the user's integrity labels (TLs) are ignored; if this value is not NOTL, the user's effective TL must be equal to this value.</p>

User-Configuration Stanzas

User-configuration stanzas provide configuration information for programs that change user attributes. There is one user-configuration stanza: **usw**.

Note: Password restrictions have no effect if you are on a network using Network Information Services (NIS).

The **usw** stanza defines the configuration of miscellaneous facilities. The following attributes can be included:

Attribute	Definition
auth_type	<p>Defines the route through which all users will be authenticated (in supported applications). The two values to which auth_type can be set are:</p> <p>PAM_AUTH Use PAM to authenticate users via the <code>/etc/pam.conf</code> file</p> <p>STD_AUTH Use an application's standard means of user authentication. This is the default value.</p>
authcontroldomain	<p>Specifies the domain that controls user authentication through the SYSTEM and registry attributes. If the authcontroldomain attribute is set, the SYSTEM and registry attributes of the users are queried from that domain. The SYSTEM and registry attributes for the local users are always queried from local files regardless of the authcontroldomain setting. The valid values are files or a stanza name that is defined in the <code>/etc/methods.cfg</code> file. The default value is files.</p>
dist_uniqid	<p>Defines the system configuration for resolving ID collision for creating/modifying user/group accounts among registries. The valid values to which dist_uniqid can be set are:</p> <p>never Do not check for ID collision against the nontarget registries. This is the default setting.</p> <p>always Check for ID collision against all other registries. If a collision is detected between the target registry and any other registry, account creation/modification fails.</p> <p>uniqbyname Check for ID collision against all other registries. Collision between registries is allowed only if the account to be created has the same name as the existing account.</p> <p>Note: ID collision detection in the target registry is always enforced regardless of the dist_uniqid attribute.</p>
efssharedkeys	<p>When this attribute is set to true, if any of the user shared keystore password is changed, at least his own keys will be loaded at the time of login or using the efskeymgr command. When this attribute set to false, no keys will be loaded, if any of the user shared keystore password is changed. The valid values are true or false. The default value is false.</p>
logintimeout	<p>Defines the time (in seconds) the user is given to type the login name and the password. The value is a decimal integer string. The default is a value of 60. The login session will be timed out if there is no input for login name after the timer has expired.</p>
maxlogins	<p>Defines the maximum number of simultaneous logins to the system. The format is a decimal integer string. The default value varies depending on the specific machine license. A value of 0 indicates no limit on simultaneous login attempts.</p> <p>Note: Login sessions include rlogins and telnets. These are counted against the maximum allowable number of simultaneous logins by the maxlogins attribute.</p>
maxroles	<p>Defines the maximum number of roles that each session allows. This attribute is for use with Enhanced RBAC Mode only. The valid value is an integer value between 1 and 8. The default value is 8.</p>

Attribute	Definition
mhomeatlogin	Specifies whether to create a home directory at login if the home directory does not already exist. The value of this attribute is either true or false . The default value is false .
pwd_algorithm	Defines the loadable password algorithm to use when you store user passwords. A valid value for this attribute is a stanza name that is defined in the /etc/security/pwddalg.cfg file. The default value is crypt , which is the legacy crypt() algorithm.
shells	Defines the valid shells on the system. This attribute is used by the chsh command to determine which shells a user can select. The value is a list of comma-separated full path names. The default is /usr/bin/sh , /usr/bin/bsh , /usr/bin/csh , /usr/bin/ksh , or /usr/bin/tsh .
suologfulldate	Defines the date field format for the /var/adm/su log file. false Set the date format as <i>mm/dd</i> . This is the default. true Set the date format as <i>mm/dd/yyyy</i> .
unix_passwd_compat	Sets the return value of the passwdexpired() function. The valid values for the unix_passwd_compat attribute follow: false When this attribute is set to false, the passwdexpired() function returns 0, when the user password is set to * in the /etc/security/passwd file. This is default value. true When this attribute is set as true, the passwdexpired() function returns a non zero value, which is compatible with other UNIX and AIX operating systems, when the user password is set to * in the /etc/security/passwd file.

Security

Access Control

This command should grant read (r) and write (w) access to the root user and members of the security group.

Auditing Events

Event	Information
S_LOGIN_WRITE	File name

Examples

A typical **port** stanza looks like the following:

```
/dev/tty0:
  sak_enabled = true
  herald = "login to tty0:"
```

On Trusted AIX systems, the port stanza looks like the following example:

```
default:
  logindisable = 3
  sak_enabled = false
  logintimes =
  logininterval = 0
```

```
loginreenable = 0
logindelay = 0
minsl = IMPL_LO
maxsl = "TS ALL"
tl = TS
```

Files

Item

[/etc/security/login.cfg](#)

[/etc/group](#)

[/etc/security/group](#)

[/etc/passwd](#)

[/etc/security/passwd](#)

[/etc/security/user](#)

[/etc/security/envIRON](#)

[/etc/security/limits](#)

[/etc/security/audit/config](#)

[/etc/security/lastlog](#)

[/etc/security/enc/LabelEncodings](#)

[/etc/security/pwda1g.cfg](#)

Description

Specifies the path to the file.

Contains the basic attributes of groups.

Contains the extended attributes of groups.

Contains the basic attributes of users.

Contains password information.

Contains the extended attributes of users.

Contains the environment attributes of users.

Contains the process resource limits of users.

Contains audit system configuration information.

Contains last login information.

Contains label definitions for the Trusted AIX system.

Contains configuration information for loadable password algorithms.

Related reference

[ldapid.ldif.template File](#)

Related information

[chfn command](#)

[passwd command](#)

[newpass subroutine](#)

lpac1 Information

Purpose

Provides general information about protecting the least-privilege (LP) commands resource class and its resources using access controls that are provided by the resource monitoring and control (RMC) subsystem.

Description

RMC controls access to all of its resources and resource classes through access control lists (ACLs), using two different ACL implementations. The implementation that RMC uses depends on which class is involved. The two major differences between the implementations are in: 1) the mechanisms with which ACLs are viewed and modified and 2) whether ACLs are associated with individual resources.

RMC implements access controls for its resources and resource classes in the following ways:

1. Through ACLs that are defined by resource class stanzas in the `ctrmc.ac1s` file.

You can view and modify these ACLs by editing the `ctrmc.ac1s` file. Use a stanza to define an ACL that applies to a class or to define an ACL that applies to all of the resources in a class.

RMC uses this method for all of its resources and resource classes, except for the IBM.LPCommands resource class and its resources.

For more information about the `ctrmc.acls` file and the ACLs it defines, see the *RSCT: Administration Guide*.

2. Through ACLs that are associated with resources and a resource class within the RMC subsystem.

You can view and modify these ACLs using LP commands. You can define an ACL that applies to a class or an ACL that applies to an individual resource of a class.

RMC uses this method for the IBM.LPCommands resource class and its resources.

This file provides information about ACLs that are specific to the IBM.LPCommands resource class and its resources.

The LP resource manager uses the IBM.LPCommands resource class to define LP resources. These resources represent commands or scripts that require `root` authority to run, but typically the users who need to run these commands do not have `root` authority. By using the LP resource manager commands, users can run commands that require `root` authority. The LP resource manager commands are:

chlpcmd

Changes the read/write attribute values of an LP resource

lphistory

Lists or clears a certain number of LP commands that were previously issued during the current RMC session

lslpcmd

Lists information about the LP resources on one or more nodes in a domain

mklpcmd

Defines a new LP resource to RMC and specifies user permissions

rmlpcmd

Removes one or more LP resources from the RMC subsystem

runlpcmd

Runs an LP resource

For descriptions of these commands, see *RSCT for AIX 5L: Technical Reference*. For information about how to use these commands, see the *RSCT: Administration Guide*.

Because each LP resource can define a unique command, RMC implements ACLs for the IBM.LPCommands class that allow access to be controlled at the individual resource level and at the class level. RSCT provides a set of commands that you can use to list and modify the ACLs for the IBM.LPCommands class and its resources. The LP ACL commands are:

chlpclacl

Changes the Class ACL

chlpracl

Changes the Resource ACL

chlpriacl

Changes the Resource Initial ACL

chlprsacl

Changes the Resource Shared ACL

lslpclacl

Lists the Class ACL

lslpracl

Lists the Resource ACL

lslpriacl

Lists the Resource Initial ACL

lslprsacl

Lists the Resource Shared ACL

mklpcmd

Defines a new LP resource to RMC and specifies user permissions

For descriptions of these commands, see *RSCT for AIX 5L: Technical Reference*. For information about how to use these commands, see the *RSCT: Administration Guide*.

Basic ACL Structure

Typically, an ACL is composed of a list of ACL entries. Each ACL entry specifies an identity and a set of permissions granted to that identity. The complete list of ACL entries determines how the ACL controls access to the associated class or resource.

A resource-associated ACL can refer to another ACL instead of containing a list of ACL entries itself. When a resource-associated ACL refers to another ACL, the set of ACL entries in the referenced ACL controls access to the resource.

Types of ACLs

Four types of ACLs control access to the IBM.LPCmds class and its resources, as follows:

Class ACL

A *Class ACL* controls access to class operations on one node. You need to have been granted specific permissions to perform class operations, such as listing class attributes, creating class resources, and deleting class resources.

A Class ACL is composed of a list of ACL entries. The list of ACL entries controls access to class operations on the node. If the list is empty, no identity is permitted to perform class operations on the node.

When you try to perform a class operation on the IBM.LPCmds class on a node — creating a new resource, for example — RMC checks the Class ACL on that node to verify that you have the required permission to perform the operation. If you do not have the required permission, the operation is rejected.

One Class ACL exists on each node for the IBM.LPCmds class. Each node's Class ACL controls access to all IBM.LPCmds class operations on that node.

Resource ACL

A *Resource ACL* controls access to resource operations for one LP resource. You need to have been granted specific permissions to perform resource operations, such as listing resource attributes, modifying resource attributes, and running resource commands.

A Resource ACL can be composed of a list of ACL entries. In this case, the list of ACL entries controls access to resource operations for that resource. If the list is empty, no identity is permitted to perform resource operations for the resource.

A Resource ACL can refer to the Resource Shared ACL instead of containing a list of ACL entries itself. In this case, the list of ACL entries in the Resource Shared ACL controls access to resource operations for the resource. If the list is empty, no identity is permitted to perform resource operations for the resource.

When you try to perform a resource operation on an LP resource — running an LP command, for example — RMC first checks the Resource ACL for the selected resource to determine whether the Resource ACL contains a list of ACL entries or whether it refers to the Resource Shared ACL. If the Resource ACL has a list of ACL entries, RMC checks that list to verify that you have the required permission to perform the operation. If you do not have the required permission, the operation is rejected.

If the Resource ACL refers to the Resource Shared ACL, RMC checks the Resource Shared ACL to verify that you have the required permission to perform the operation. If you do not have the required permission, the operation is rejected.

One Resource ACL exists for each LP resource. When a Resource ACL refers to the Resource Shared ACL, the Resource Shared ACL that is being referenced is the one on the same node as the resource.

Resource Initial ACL

A *Resource Initial ACL* defines the initial contents of a Resource ACL created on a node.

Because a Resource Initial ACL is used to initialize Resource ACLs, a Resource Initial ACL can contain a list of ACL entries or a reference to the Resource Shared ACL.

When a new LP resource is created, its Resource ACL is initialized as specified by the Resource Initial ACL on the node.

One Resource Initial ACL exists on each node for the IBM.LPCommands class.

Resource Shared ACL

A *Resource Shared ACL* can control access to resource operations for multiple resources on one node.

A Resource Shared ACL is composed of a list of ACL entries. The list of ACL entries controls access to resource operations for all of the resources on the node that refer to the Resource Shared ACL. As with the other ACL types, the list of ACL entries can be empty.

To use this ACL, place ACL entries in it as you would in a Resource ACL. Then, modify the Resource ACLs on the same node to refer to the Resource Shared ACL. Using the Resource Shared ACL, you can use one list of ACL entries to control access to multiple resources on the same node.

One Resource Shared ACL exists on each node for the IBM.LPCommands class.

ACL Entries

An RMC ACL for LP commands specifies a list of ACL entries. Each ACL entry defines a user identity and that identity's user permissions. A *user identity* is an authenticated network identity. The *user permissions* specify the access that a user has to the class or to the resources.

User Identities

In an RMC ACL entry, the user identity can be in one of the following three forms:

1. [host:]*host_user_identity*

Specifies a host user identifier. The optional *host:* keyword specifies that the user identifier can be matched against a network identifier that is provided by the host-based authentication (HBA) security mechanism. If the *host:* keyword is omitted and the entry does not take one of the other forms described, the entry is assumed to be a host user identifier. The host user identifier can be in one of the following three forms:

a. *user_name@host_identity*

Specifies a particular authenticated user. You can specify *host_identity* in several different formats. These formats, which are the same as when the host user identifier format is specified as a host identifier alone, are described as follows.

b. *host_identity*

Specifies any authenticated user on the host identified. The host identifier can be:

- a fully-qualified host name.
- a short host name.
- an IP address.
- the RSCT node ID. This is the 16-digit hexadecimal number, for example:
0xaf58d41372c47686.
- the keyword LOCALHOST. This keyword is a convenient shorthand notation for the RSCT node ID of the node where the ACL exists. The LOCALHOST keyword is stored in the ACL.
- the keyword NODEID. This keyword is a convenient shorthand notation for the RSCT node ID of the node where an ACL editing command is running. The NODEID keyword is not stored in the ACL; the node ID that the keyword represents is actually stored in the ACL..

c. "*"

Specifies any authenticated user on any host. The asterisk (*) must be enclosed in double quotation marks when it is specified as command input.

2. *none:mapped_user_identifier*

Specifies a mapped name, as defined in the `ctsec_map.global` file or the `ctsec_map.local` file. For information about mapped user identifiers, see the *RSCT: Administration Guide*.

3. **UNAUTHENT**

Specifies any unauthenticated user.

Some typical forms of a user identity are:

user@full_host_name
user@short_host_name
user@ip_address
user@node_ID
user@LOCALHOST
full_host_name
short_host_name
IP_address
node_ID
LOCALHOST

When you are running LP commands, the *host_identifier* parameter is often expected to be the RSCT node ID. You can use the **NODEID** keyword to represent the node ID of the node on which the command runs. To determine the node ID otherwise, enter:

```
lsisrc IBM.Host NodeIDs
```

To determine all of the node IDs in a management domain or a peer domain, enter:

```
lsisrc -ta IBM.Host NodeIDs NodeNameList
```

The node ID is displayed in decimal format. Use the hexadecimal equivalent for the *host_identifier*, preceded by **0x**. If the nodes are in a peer domain, enter:

```
lsipnode -i
```

The node ID is displayed in hexadecimal. To use this value in the commands, you need to precede this value with **0x**. If the **CT_CONTACT** environment variable is used to specify where the RMC session occurs, the *host_identifier* is expected to be a fully-qualified host name, a short host name, or an IP address.

User Permissions

The user permissions are expressed as a string of one or more characters, each representing a particular permission.

To compensate for the fine granularity of the permission set, RSCT provides two composite permissions. The **r** permission consists of individual permissions that allow "read" types of operations. The **w** permission consists of individual permissions that allow "write" types of operations. Most ACL entries will probably use these convenient composite permissions.

The Permission Set

The next two sections show two different views of the defined permission set. The first section describes the permission set using the composite permissions. The second section describes the permission set using the individual permissions.

Using Composite Permissions

r

Read permission.

- To view the resource attribute values for an LP resource, you need this permission for the LP resource.
- To view the IBM.LPCommands class attribute values, you need this permission for the IBM.LPCommands class.
- You need this permission to list the LP ACLs.

Therefore, this permission is meaningful for any LP ACL. Read permission consists of the q, l, e, and v permissions.

w

Write permission.

- To change the resource attribute values for an LP resource, you need this permission for the LP resource.
- To change the class attribute values for the IBM.LPCommands class, you need this permission for the IBM.LPCommands class.
- To create or delete LP resources, you need this permission for the IBM.LPCommands class.

Therefore, this permission is meaningful for any LP ACL. Write permission consists of the d, s, c, and o permissions.

a

Administrator permission.

- To change the Resource ACL for an LP resource, you need this permission for the LP resource.
- To change the Class ACL, the Resource Initial ACL, or the Resource Shared ACL, you need this permission for the IBM.LPCommands class.

Therefore, this permission is meaningful for any LP ACL.

x

Execute permission. To run an LP command that is defined in an LP resource, you need this permission for the LP resource. Therefore, this permission is meaningful for the LP Resource ACL, the Resource Initial ACL, and the Resource Shared ACL.

o

No permission. This permission denies you access to an LP resource or to the IBM.LPCommands class. Therefore, this permission is meaningful for any LP ACL.

Using Individual Permissions

q

Query permission.

- To query the resource attribute values for an LP resource, you need this permission for the LP resource.
- To query the class attribute values, you need this permission for the IBM.LPCommands class.
- You need this permission to list the LP ACLs.

Therefore, this permission is meaningful for any LP ACL.

l

Enumerate permission. To list the LP resources, you need this permission for the IBM.LPCommands class. Therefore, this permission is meaningful for the Class ACL.

e

Event permission. To register, unregister, or query events, you need this permission for an LP resource or for the IBM.LPCommands class. Therefore, this permission is meaningful for any LP ACL.

v

Validate permission. You need this permission to validate that an LP resource handle still exists. Therefore, this permission is meaningful for the Resource ACL, the Resource Initial ACL, and the Resource Shared ACL.

d

Define and undefine permission. To create or delete LP resources, you need this permission for the IBM.LPCommands class. Therefore, this permission is meaningful for the Class ACL.

c

Refresh permission. To refresh the IBM.LPCommands class configuration, you need this permission for the IBM.LPCommands class. Therefore, this permission is meaningful for the Class ACL.

s

Set permission.

- To set resource attribute values for an LP resource, you need this permission for the LP resource.
- To set class attribute values, you need this permission for the IBM.LPCommands class.

Therefore, this permission is meaningful for any LP ACL.

o

Online, offline, and reset permission. Because LP resources do not support the online, offline, and reset operations, this permission has no meaning in LP ACLs.

a

Administrator permission.

- To change the Resource ACL for an LP resource, you need this permission for the LP resource.
- To change the Class ACL, the Resource Initial ACL, or the Resource Shared ACL, you need this permission for the IBM.LPCommands class.

Therefore, this permission is meaningful for any LP ACL.

x

Execute permission. To run an LP command that is defined in an LP resource, you need this permission for the LP resource. Therefore, this permission is meaningful for the LP Resource ACL, the Resource Initial ACL, and the Resource Shared ACL.

0

No permission. This permission denies you access to an LP resource or to the IBM.LPCommands class. Therefore, this permission is meaningful for any LP ACL.

Some permission characters have no meaning in certain types of ACLs. For example, the `l` permission has no meaning in a Resource ACL. A permission character that has no meaning in a certain type of ACL can be present in the ACL with no ill effect. For example, the `l` permission can be specified in an ACL entry of a Resource ACL. The presence of meaningless permissions in ACL entries is inevitable when the composite permissions are used.

In addition to the permissions that are granted explicitly by ACL entries, the `root` mapped identity always has query and administrator permission for ACL operations. If an ACL is set so that all access is denied, the `root` mapped identity can still be used to change the ACL, due to its implicit authority.

The system administrator needs to determine how ACLs should be defined for the IBM.LPCommands class and its resources. This depends on which operations users are required to perform.

Security

- To use the LP commands that change the Class ACL, the Resource Initial ACL, and the Resource Shared ACL, you must have query and administrator permission for the IBM.LPCommands class.
- To use the LP command that changes a Resource ACL for an LP resource, you must have query and administrator permission for the LP resource.
- To use the LP commands that list the Class ACL, the Resource Initial ACL, and the Resource Shared ACL, you must have query permission for the IBM.LPCommands class.
- To use the LP command that lists a Resource ACL for an LP resource, you must have query permission for the LP resource.

The **Security** section of each LP command description indicates which permissions are required for the command to run properly.

Examples

Some examples of how to modify the LP ACLs follow. In these examples, the commands are run on a management server for a group of nodes in a management domain. The management server is named `ms_node` and the managed nodes are called `mc_node1`, `mc_node2`, and so forth. In a management domain, it is most likely that the LP resources will be defined on the management server and the LP commands themselves will be targeted to the managed nodes. In these examples, the Resource Shared ACL is not used because separate permissions are desired for the individual LP resources. These examples assume that the LP resources have not yet been defined using the `mk1pcmd` command.

1. You want to define the `lpadmin` ID to be the administrator for the LP commands. This ID will have the authority to modify the LP ACLs. You also want to give this ID read and write permission to be able to create, delete, and modify the LP resources. To set this up, use the `root` mapped identity to run these commands on the management server:

```
chlpclacl lpadmin@LOCALHOST rwa
chlpriacl lpadmin@LOCALHOST rwa
```

These commands define the `lpadmin` ID on the management server as having administrator, read, and write permission for the `IBM.LPCommands` class and for the Resource Initial ACL. The Resource Initial ACL is used to initialize a Resource ACL when an LP resource is created. Therefore, when an LP resource is created, the `lpadmin` ID will have administrator, read, and write permission to it.

2. The `lpadmin` ID can now create LP resources that define the LP commands that are needed. See the `mk1pcmd` command for a description on how to create the LP resources. Access to the LP resources can be defined using the `mk1pcmd` command or the `ch1pracl` command. When the resource is created, the Resource Initial ACL is copied to the Resource ACL. To modify the Resource ACL using the `ch1pracl` command so that `joe` will be able to use the `run1pcmd` command for the resource named `SysCmd1`, the `lpadmin` ID runs this command on the management server:

```
ch1pracl SysCmd1 joe@LOCALHOST x
```

This gives `joe` on the management server execute permission to the `SysCmd1` resource so he can use the `run1pcmd` command.

3. In this example, only the `lpadmin` ID has permission to create, delete, and modify LP resources. Use the `chlpclacl` command to let other users create and delete LP resources. In this case, they need to have write access to the class. To be able to list the resources in the `IBM.LPCommands` class, read permission is required. Read permission on a Resource ACL allows a user to view that LP resource. Write permission on a Resource ACL allows a user to modify that LP resource. To allow `joe` to view the LP resource named `SysCmd1`, the `lpadmin` ID runs this command on the management server:

```
ch1pracl SysCmd1 joe@LOCALHOST r
```

4. There are several nodes in a peer domain. There is an LP resource called `SysCmdB1` on `nodeB` for which `joe` needs execute permission. In addition, `joe` needs to have execute permission from nodes `nodeA`, `nodeB`, and `nodeD`. If you run the `ch1pracl` command on `nodeB`, you can use `joe@LOCALHOST` for `nodeB`, but you need to determine the node IDs for `nodeA` and `nodeD`. To obtain the node IDs, enter:

```
lsrpnode -i
```

The output will look like this:

Name	OpState	RSCTVersion	NodeNum	NodeID
nodeA	Online	2.4.2.0	2	48ce221932ae0062
nodeB	Online	2.4.2.0	1	7283cb8de374d123
nodeC	Online	2.4.2.0	4	b3eda8374bc839de
nodeD	Online	2.4.2.0	5	374bdcbe384ed38a
nodeE	Online	2.4.2.0	2	ba74503cea374110
nodeF	Online	2.4.2.0	1	4859dfbd44023e13
nodeG	Online	2.4.2.0	4	68463748bcc7e773

Then, to give joe the permissions as stated above, run on nodeB:

```
ch1prac1 SysCmd1 -l joe@LOCALHOST joe@0x48ce221932ae0062 \
joe@0x374bdcbe384ed38a x
```

.maildelivery File for MH

Purpose

Specifies actions to be taken when mail is received.

Description

The **\$HOME/.maildelivery** file contains a list of actions the **slocal** command performs on received mail. The **slocal** command reads the **\$HOME/.maildelivery** file and performs the specified actions when you activate it.

Specify your own mail delivery instructions in the **\$HOME/.maildelivery** file. Each line in the **\$HOME/.maildelivery** file describes an action and the conditions under which the action should be performed. The following five parameters must be present in each line of the file. These parameters are separated by either commas or space characters:

Blank lines in the **.maildelivery** file are ignored. A # (pound sign) in the first column indicates a comment. The file is read from beginning to end, so several matches can be made with several actions. The **.maildelivery** file should be owned by the user, and the owner can be the only one with write access.

If the **\$HOME/.maildelivery** file cannot be found or does not deliver the message, the **/etc/mh/maildelivery** file is used in the same manner. If the message has still not been delivered, it is put in the user's mail drop. The default mail drop is the **/usr/mail/\$USER** file.

The MH package contains four standard programs that can be run as receive-mail hooks: the **rcvdist**, **rcvpack**, **rcvstore**, and **rcvttty** commands.

Parameters

Item	Description
Field	<p>Specifies a header component to be searched for a pattern to match the <i>Pattern</i> parameter. Specify one of the following values for the <i>Field</i> parameter:</p> <p>Component Specify the header component you want to be searched; for example, From or cc.</p> <p>* Matches everything.</p> <p>addr Searches whatever field was used to deliver the message to you.</p> <p>default Matches only if the message has not been delivered yet.</p> <p>Source Specifies the out-of-band sender information.</p>
Pattern	<p>Specifies the character string to search for in the header component given by the <i>Field</i> parameter. For example, if you specified From in the <i>Field</i> parameter, the <i>Pattern</i> parameter might contain an address like sarah@mephisto.</p> <p>The <i>Pattern</i> parameter is not case-sensitive. The character string matches any combination of uppercase and lowercase characters. Specify a dummy pattern if you use an * (asterisk) or specify default in the <i>Field</i> parameter.</p>

Item	Description
Action	<p>Specifies an action to take with the message if it contains the pattern specified in the <i>Pattern</i> parameter. Specify the following values:</p> <p>file or > Appends the message to the file specified with the "<i>String</i>" parameter. If the message can be written to the file, the action is considered successful. The <i>Delivery-Date:</i> header component is added to the message to indicate when the message was appended to the file.</p> <p>pipe or Pipes the message as standard input to the command specified with the "<i>String</i>" parameter. The shell interprets the string. If the exit status from the command is 0, the action is considered successful. Prior to being given to the shell, the string is expanded with the following built-in variables:</p> <p>\$(Address) Address used to deliver the message.</p> <p>\$(Size) Size of the message in bytes.</p> <p>\$(reply-to) Either the <i>Reply-To:</i> or <i>From:</i> header component of the message.</p> <p>When a process is started with the pipe mechanism, the environment of the process is set as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • User and group IDs are set to the recipient's IDs. • Working directory is the recipient's directory. • The value of the umask variable is 0077. • Process has no /dev/tty special file. • Standard input is set to the message. • Standard output and diagnostic output are set to the /dev/NULL special file. All other file descriptors are closed. The \$USER, \$HOME, and \$SHELL environmental variables are set appropriately; no other environment variables exist. <p>The formula for determining the amount of time the process is given to execute is:</p> <pre>bytes in message x 60 + 300 seconds.</pre> <p>After that time, the process is terminated.</p> <p>If the exit status of the program is 0, it is assumed that the action succeeded. Otherwise, the action is assumed unsuccessful.</p> <p>qpipe or ^ Acts similarly to pipe, but executes the command directly after built-in variable expansion without assistance from the shell. If the exit status from the command is 0, the action is successful.</p> <p>destroy Destroys the message. This action always succeeds.</p>

Item	Description
Result	<p>Indicates how the action should be performed. You can specify one of the following values for this parameter:</p> <p>A Performs the action. If the action succeeds, the message is considered delivered.</p> <p>R Performs the action. Even if the action succeeds, the message is not considered delivered.</p> <p>? Performs the action only if the message has not been delivered. If the action succeeds, the message is considered delivered.</p>
"String"	<p>Specifies the file to which the message can be appended if you use the file value for the <i>Action</i> parameter.</p> <p>If you use the pipe or the qpipe value, the "String" parameter specifies the command to execute.</p> <p>If you use the destroy value as the <i>Action</i> parameter, the "String" parameter is not used, but you must still include a dummy "String" parameter.</p>

Note: To be notified that you have mail, you must specify the **rcvttty** command in the **.maildelivery** file.

Examples

1. To save a message in a particular file, enter:

```
From george file A george.mail
```

This example directs the **slocal** command to search the From header line in messages. When the **slocal** command finds a message from george, it files the message in a file called `george.mail`.

2. To save a copy of a message in a file, enter:

```
addr manager > R proj_X/statlog
```

This example directs the **slocal** command to search the address fields in messages. When it finds a message for the project manager, the **slocal** command files a copy of the message in a file called `proj_X/statlog`. The original message is not considered delivered (the R value), so the message is still treated as mail and you will be notified as usual.

3. To be notified that you have received mail, enter:

```
* - | R "/usr/lib/mh/rcvttty /home/sarah/allmail"
```

In this example, the `/home/sarah/allmail` file contains the line:

```
echo "You have mail\n"
```

The `/home/sarah/allmail` file must have execute permission. When you have mail, the words You have mail are displayed on your console.

4. To forward a copy of a message, enter:

```
addr manager | A "/usr/lib/mh/rcvdist amy"
```

This example directs the **slocal** command to search the address fields in messages. When it finds a message to the project manager, the **slocal** command sends a copy of the message to amy. The original message is not affected. The action is always performed (the A value). The command that the **slocal** command reads to distribute the copy to another user is the **rcvdist** command.

5. To save any undelivered messages, enter:

```
default - > ? mailbox
```

This example directs the **slocal** command to find all undelivered messages. The - (dash) is a placeholder for the *Pattern* parameter. The > (greater than sign) instructs the **slocal** command to file the messages it finds. The ? (question mark) instructs the **slocal** command to respond only to undelivered messages. The name of the file to store undelivered messages is mailbox.

Files

Item	Description
\$HOME/.forward	Searched by the sendmail command when mail is received, contains either the path of a machine to which to forward mail or a line to start the slocal command.
/usr/mail/\$USER	Provides the default mail drop.
/usr/lib/mh/slocal	Contains the slocal command that reads the .maildelivery file.
/etc/mh/maildelivery	Contains the mail delivery instructions that the slocal command reads if none are specified in the \$HOME/.maildelivery file.
\$HOME/.maildelivery	Specifies mail-related actions for the slocal command to perform.

Related reference

[mtstailor File for MH](#)

Related information

[rcvdist command](#)

[sendmail command](#)

/usr/lib/security/methods.cfg File

Purpose

Contains the information for loadable authentication module configuration.

Description

The **/usr/lib/security/methods.cfg** file is an ASCII file that contains stanzas with loadable authentication module information. Each stanza is identified by a module name followed by a colon (:) and contains attributes in the form *Attribute=Value*. Each attribute ends with a new-line character and each stanza ends with an additional new-line character.

The **/usr/lib/security/methods.cfg** file is a symbolic link to the **/etc/methods.cfg** file.

Note: If you are using Common Desktop Environment (CDE), you must restart the desktop login manager (dtlogin) for any changes to take effect. Restarting dtlogin will prevent CDE login failure by using the updated security mechanisms. Please read the **/usr/dt/README** file for more information.

Each stanza can have the following attributes:

Attribute	Description
domain	Specifies a free-format ASCII text string that is used by the loadable authentication module to select a data repository. This attribute is optional.

Attribute	Description
netgroup	<p>Indicates netgroup enablement for this module. The following behaviors will be turned on:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Users defined in the <code>/etc/security/user</code> file as members of the module's registry (for example, having <code>registry=LDAP</code> and <code>SYSTEM=LDAP</code>) will not be able to authenticate as module users. These users will now become <code>nis_module</code> users and will require native NIS netgroup membership. To fully enable <code>nis_module</code> netgroup users, corresponding entries in <code>/etc/security/user</code> must have <code>registry</code> and <code>SYSTEM</code> value removed or set to <code>compat</code>. 2. The registry value of <code>compat</code> is now supported. However, only <code>nis_module</code> users will show <code>compat</code> as their registry. Other users will show their absolute registry value. 3. The meaning of registry=compat will be expanded to include modules supporting netgroup. For example, if the LDAP module is netgroup enabled, <code>compat</code> will include the following registries: files, NIS and LDAP.
options	<p>Specifies an ASCII text string containing optional values that are passed to the loadable authentication module upon initialization. The supported values for each module are described by the product documentation for that loadable authentication module.</p> <p>The options attribute takes the following pre-defined values:</p> <p>auth=module Specifies the module to be used to perform authentication functions for the current loadable authentication module</p> <p>authonly Indicates that the loadable authentication module only performs authentication operations. User and group information must be provided by a different module, specified by the db= option. If not by a module, then user and group information must be provided by the local files database.</p> <p>db=module Specifies the module to be used for providing user and group information for the current loadable authentication module</p> <p>dbonly Indicates that the loadable authentication module only provides user and group information and does not perform authentication functions. Authentication operations must be performed by a different load module, specified by the auth= option. If the auth= option is not specified, all authentication operations fail.</p> <p>netgroup Indicates netgroup enabling of this module. The following behaviors will be turned on:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Users defined in <code>/etc/security/user</code> as members of the module's registry (for example, having <code>registry=LDAP</code> and <code>SYSTEM=LDAP</code>) will not be able to authenticate as module users. These users will now become <code>nis_module</code> users and will require native NIS netgroup membership. To fully enable <code>nis_module</code> netgroup users, corresponding entries in <code>/etc/security/user</code> must have <code>registry</code> and <code>SYSTEM</code> values removed or set to <code>compat</code>. 2. The registry value of <code>compat</code> is now supported, however, only <code>nis_module</code> users will show <code>compat</code> as their registry value. Other users will show their absolute registry value. 3. The meaning of <code>registry compat</code> will be expanded to include modules supporting netgroup. For example, if LDAP module is netgroup-enabled, <code>compat</code> will include the following registries: files, NIS and LDAP. <p>noprompt The initial password prompt for authentication operations is suppressed. The loadable authentication module would then control all password prompting.</p> <p>rootrequiresopw Determines whether the root user is prompted for the old password for this loadable authentication module when changing another user's password. If you want to disable the prompt of the old password, set this option to False. The default value is True.</p>

Attribute	Description
options <i>(continued)</i>	<p>The options attribute can also use the following predefined values for the KRB5/KRB5A load modules:</p> <p>allow_expired_pwd= [yes true/no false] The possible values for the allow_expired_pwd option follow:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. No or false 2. Yes or true <p>By default the allow_expired_pwd option is set to no or false. The allow_expired_pwd option enables the AIX® operating system to get the password expiration information by using the Kerberos authentication interfaces. The actual status of the password expiration information is obtained either during the login or by calling the authenticate subroutine and the passwdexpired subroutine.</p> <p>is_kadmind_compat= [yes true/no false] This option is used to indicate which authentication service Kerberos authenticates against. If it is set to yes or true, it authenticates by using the Network Authentication Service (NAS). If it is set to no or false, the environment is set to use the non-AIX services.</p> <p>kadmind= [yes true/no false] The possible values for the kadmind option follow:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. No or false: Disables the kadmind lookups. 2. Yes or true: Enables the kadmind lookups. <p>The default value is yes. When this option is set to no, the kadmind daemon is not contacted during authentication. Therefore, users can log into the system regardless of the status of the kadmind daemon provided that the user enters the correct password when the system prompts for one. However, the AIX user administration commands, such as mkuser, chuser, or rmuser, do not work to administrate Kerberos integrated users if the daemon is not available (for example, either the daemon is down or the machine is not accessible). The default value for the kadmind parameter is yes. It means that kadmind lookups are performed during authentication. In the default case, if the daemon is not available, the authentication might take longer.</p> <p>kadmind_timeout= [timeout_value] The kadmind_timeout option is the amount of time in seconds between kadmind connection attempts after an initial timeout. The valid values are from 0 - 300.</p> <p>keep_creds= [yes/no] By default, the keep_creds option is set to no. If the keep_creds option is set to yes, every new login generates a new PAG based credential cache file.</p> <p>sync_all= [yes true/no false] This option is used to indicate where the processing of an ALL query is performed, either by the load module or by the security library. If the sync_all option is set to no or false, the load module leaves the task of computing an ALL request to the security library routines. If it is set to yes or true, the principal list is retrieved by the load module. The authentication side of the load module might declare no support for the ALL query. In such a case the security library is still capable of computing an ALL list for the authentication side. It does this by querying the authentication side for each user that it obtained from the database side. The resulting ALL list only contains the users and principals that exist on both sides. The advantage of this is if the number of users are too many, the Kerberos client or server might fail to complete this operation. However, querying one user at a time succeeds. The disadvantage of querying one user at a time is performance. There is a big performance degradation if the users are queried one user at a time by the security library.</p> <p>tgt_verify= [yes true/no false] The possible values for the tgt_verify option follow:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. No or false: Disables ticket-granting ticket (TGT) verification. 2. Yes or true: Enables TGT verification. <p>By default, the TGT verification is enabled. When the tgt_verify option is set to no, TGT verification is not performed and there is no need to transfer the keys of the host principal keys. This eliminates the need for the keytab file for authentication purposes when the KRB5A module is used. Other Kerberos-enabled applications might require the keytab file for host and service principals.</p>

Attribute	Description
options <i>(continued)</i>	<p>You can only use the auth=module and db=module value strings for complex loadable authentication modules, which may require or be used with another loadable authentication module to provide new functionality.</p> <p>The authonly and dbonly values are invalid for complex modules.</p> <p>You can use the noprompt value for any kind of module.</p>
program	Names the load module containing the executable code that implements the loadable authentication method.
program_64	Names the load module containing the executable code that implements the loadable authentication method for 64-bit processes.

Security

Access Control: This file should grant read (r) and write (w) access to the root user only and read (r) access to the security group and all other users.

Examples

1. To indicate that the loadable authentication module is located in the file `/usr/lib/security/DCE`, enter:

```
program = /usr/lib/security/DCE
```

2. To indicate that the loadable authentication module only should provide authentication functions, enter:

```
options = authonly
```

3. The following example contains configuration information for the LDAP simple loadable authentication module:

```
LDAP:
  program = /usr/lib/security/LDAP
  program_64 = /usr/lib/security/LDAP64
```

The "LDAP" stanza gives the name of the module, used by the **SYSTEM** and **registry** attributes for a user. The name does not have to be the same as the file name given for the **program** attribute.

4. The following example contains configuration information for the KERBEROS complex loadable authentication module:

```
KERBEROS:
  program = /usr/lib/security/KERBEROS
  program_64 = /usr/lib/security/KERBEROS64
  options = authonly,db=LDAP
```

The "KERBEROS" stanza gives the name of the module as used by the **SYSTEM** and **registry** attributes for a user. This name does not have to be the same as the name of the file given for the **program** attribute. The **options** attribute indicates that the user and group information functions are to be performed by the module described by the "LDAP" stanza (in example 3).

Files

`/usr/lib/security/methods.cfg`

Specifies the path to the file.

`/etc/passwd`

Contains basic user attributes.

`/etc/security/user`

Contains the extended attributes of users.

`/usr/dt/README`

Contains dtlogin information.

Related information

[chuser command](#)

[login command](#)

[passwd command](#)

[Loadable Authentication Module Programming Interface](#)

mhl.format File

Purpose

Controls the output format of the **mhl** command.

Description

The **/etc/mh/mhl.format** file controls the output format of the **mhl** command when the **mhl** command functions as the message listing program. The **/etc/mh/mhl.format** file is the default attributes file. The **mhl.digest**, **mhl.forward**, and **mhl.reply** files must be specified before use.

Each line of the **mhl.format** file must have one of the following forms:

Form	Definition
<i>;Comment</i>	Contains the comments specified by the <i>Comment</i> field that are ignored.
<i>:ClearText</i>	Contains text for output (<i>ClearText</i>). A line that contains a : (colon) only produces a blank output line.
<i>Component:[Variable,...]</i>	Defines the format of the specified <i>Component</i> .
<i>Variable[Variable,...]</i>	Applies the value specified by the <i>Variable</i> field only to the preceding component if the value follows that component. Lines having other formats define the global environment. The entire mhl.format file is parsed before output processing begins. Therefore, if the global setting of a variable is defined in multiple places, the last global definition for that variable describes the current global setting.

The following table lists the **mhl.format** file variables and parameters.

Table 2. File Variables for the mhl.format File		
Parameter	Variable	Description
Width	<i>integer</i>	Sets the screen width or component width.
Length	<i>integer</i>	Sets the screen length or component length.
OffSet	<i>integer</i>	Indents the <i>Component</i> parameter the specified number of columns.
OverflowText	<i>string</i>	Outputs the <i>String</i> parameter at the beginning of each overflow line.
OverflowOffset	<i>integer</i>	Indents overflow lines the specified number of columns.
CompWidth	<i>integer</i>	Indents component text the specified number of columns after the first line of output.
Uppercase	<i>flag</i>	Outputs text of the <i>Component</i> parameter in all uppercase characters.
NoUppercase	<i>flag</i>	Outputs text of the <i>Component</i> parameter in the case entered.
ClearScreen	<i>flag/G</i>	Clears the screen before each page.

Table 2. File Variables for the mhl.format File (continued)

Parameter	Variable	Description
NoClearScreen	<i>flag/G</i>	Does not clear the screen before each page.
Bell	<i>flag/G</i>	Produces an audible indicator at the end of each page.
NoBell	<i>flag/G</i>	Does not produce an audible indicator at the end of each page.
Component	<i>string/L</i>	Uses the <i>String</i> parameter as the name for the specified the <i>Component</i> parameter instead of the string <i>Component</i> .
NoComponent	<i>flag</i>	Does not output the string <i>Component</i> for the specified <i>Component</i> parameter.
Center	<i>flag</i>	Centers the <i>Component</i> parameter on line. This variable works for one-line components only.
NoCenter	<i>flag</i>	Does not center the <i>Component</i> parameter.
LeftAdjust	<i>flag</i>	Strips off the leading white space characters from each line of text.
NoLeftAdjust	<i>flag</i>	Does not strip off the leading white space characters from each line of text.
Compress	<i>flag</i>	Changes new-line characters in text to space characters.
NoCompress	<i>flag</i>	Does not change new-line characters in text to space characters.
FormatField	<i>string</i>	Uses <i>String</i> as the format string for the specified component.
AddrField	<i>flag</i>	The specified <i>Component</i> parameter contains addresses.
DateField	<i>flag</i>	The specified <i>Component</i> parameter contains dates.
Ignore	<i>unquoted string</i>	Does not output component specified by <i>String</i> .

Variables that have integer or string values as parameters must be followed by an = (equal sign) and the integer or string value (for example, overflowoffset=5). String values must also be enclosed in double quotation marks (for example, overflowtext="***"). A parameter specified with the */G* suffix has global scope. A parameter specified with the */L* suffix has local scope.

Examples

The following is an example of a line that could be displayed in the **mhl.format** file:

```
width=80,length=40,clearscreen,overflowtext="***".,overflowoffset=5
```

This format line defines the screen size to be 80 columns by 40 rows, and specifies the screen should be cleared before each page (clearscreen). The overflow text should be flagged with the *** string, and the overflow indentation should be 5 columns.

Files

Item	Description
/etc/mh/mhl.format	Specifies the path of the mhl.format file.

Related information

[ap command](#)

[dp command](#)

[scan command](#)

.mh_profile File

Purpose

Customizes the Message Handler (MH) package.

Description

Each user of the MH package is expected to have a **\$HOME/.mh_profile** file in the home directory. This file contains a set of user parameters used by some or all of the MH programs. Each line of the file has the following format:

```
Profile-Entry: Value
```

Profile Entries

This table describes the profile entry options for the **.mh_profile** file. Only **Path:** is required. Each profile entry is stored in either the **.mh_profile** file or the *UserMHDDirectory/context* file.

Table 3. Profile Entry Options for the .mh_profile File		
Profile Entry and Description	Storage File	Default Value
Path: The path for the <i>UserMHDDirectory</i> directory. The usual location is \$HOME/Mail .	mh_profile	None
context: The location of the MH context file.	mh_profile	<i>UserMHDDirectory / context</i>
Current- Folder: Tracks the current open folder.	context	inbox
Previous- Sequence: The <i>Messages</i> or <i>Message</i> sequences parameter given to the program. For each name given, the sequence is set to 0. Each message is added to the sequence. If not present or empty, no sequences are defined.	mh_profile	None

Table 3. Profile Entry Options for the .mh_profile File (continued)

Profile Entry and Description	Storage File	Default Value
Sequence- Negation: The string negating a sequence when prefixed to the name of that sequence. For example, if set to not, not seen refers to all the messages that are not a member of the sequence seen.	mh_profile	None
Unseen- Sequence: The sequences defined as messages recently incorporated by the inc command. For each name given, the sequence is set to 0. If not present, or empty, no sequences are defined. Note: The show command removes messages from this sequence after viewing.	mh_profile	None
.mh_sequences: The file, in each folder, defining public sequences. To disable the use of public sequences, leave the value of this entry blank.	mh_profile	.mh_sequences
atr- SequenceFolder: Tracks the specified sequence in the specified folder.	context	None
Editor: The editor to be used by the comp , dist , forw , and repl commands.	mh_profile	prompter
Msg-Protect: Defines octal protection bits for message files. The chmod command explains the default values.	mh_profile	0644
Folder- Protect: Defines protection bits for folder directories. The chmod command explains the default values.	mh_profile	0711
Program: Sets default flags to be used when the MH program specified by the MH program field is started. For example, override the Editor: profile entry when replying to messages by entering: repl: -editor /usr/bin/ed	mh_profile	None

Table 3. Profile Entry Options for the .mh_profile File (continued)

Profile Entry and Description	Storage File	Default Value
LastEditor-next: The default editor after the editor specified by the Editor: field has been used. This takes effect at the What now? field of the comp , dist , forw , and repl commands. If you enter the editor command without a parameter to the What now? field, the editor specified by the LastEditor-next: field is used.	mh_profile	None
Folder-Stack: The contents of the folder stack of the folder command.	context	None
Alternate- Mailboxes: Indicates your address to the repl and scan commands. The repl command is given the addresses to include in the reply. The scan command is informed the message originated from you. Host names should be the official host names for the mailboxes you indicate. Local nicknames for hosts are not replaced with their official site names. If a host is not given for a particular address, that address on any host is considered to be your current address. Enter an * (asterisk) at either end or both ends of the host mailbox to indicate pattern matching. Note: Addresses must be separated by a comma.	mh_profile	\$LOGNAME
Draft-Folder: Indicates a default draft folder for the comp , dist , forw , and repl commands.	mh_profile	None
digest- issue- List: Indicates to the forw command the last issue of the last volume sent for the digest <i>List</i> .	context	None
digest- volume- List: Indicates to the forw command the last volume sent for the digest <i>List</i> .	context	None
MailDrop: Indicates to the inc command your mail drop, if different from the default. This is superseded by the \$MAILDROP environment variable.	mh_profile	/usr/mail/\$USER

Table 3. Profile Entry Options for the .mh_profile File (continued)		
Profile Entry and Description	Storage File	Default Value
Signature: Indicates to the send command your mail signature. This is superseded by the \$SIGNATURE environment variable.	mh_profile	None

Profile Elements

The following profile elements are used whenever an MH program starts another program. You can use the **.mh_profile** file to select alternate programs.

Profile Element	Path
fileproc:	/usr/bin/refile
incproc:	/usr/bin/inc
installproc:	/usr/lib/mh/install-mh
lproc:	/usr/bin/more
mailproc:	/usr/bin/mhmail
mhlproc:	/usr/lib/mh/mhl
moreproc:	/usr/bin/more
mshproc:	/usr/bin/msh
packproc:	/usr/bin/packf
postproc:	/usr/lib/mh/spost
rmpproc:	None
rmfproc:	/usr/bin/rmf
sendproc:	/usr/bin/send
showproc:	/usr/bin/more
whatnowproc:	/usr/bin/whatnow
whomproc:	/usr/bin/whom

Environment Variables

Variable	Description
\$MH	<p>Specifies a profile for an MH program to read. When you start an MH program, it reads the .mh_profile file by default. Use the \$MH environment variable to specify a different profile.</p> <p>If the file of the \$MH environment variable does not begin with a / (slash), it is presumed to start in the current directory. The / indicates the file is absolute.</p>
\$MHCONTEXT	<p>Specifies a context file that is different from the normal context file specified in the MH profile. If the value of the \$MHCONTEXT environment variable is not absolute, it is presumed to start from your MH directory.</p>
\$MAILDROP	<p>Indicates to the inc command the default mail drop. This supersedes the MailDrop: profile entry.</p>

Variable	Description
\$SIGNATURE	Specifies your mail signature to the send and post commands. This supersedes the <code>Signature: profile</code> entry.
\$HOME	Specifies your home directory to all MH programs.
\$TERM	Specifies your terminal type to the MH package. In particular, these environment variables tell the scan and mhl commands how to clear your terminal, and give the width and length of your terminal in columns and lines, respectively.
\$editalt	Specifies an alternate message. This is set by the dist and repl commands during edit sessions so you can read the distributed message or the answered message. This message is also available through a link called @ (at sign) in the current directory, if your current directory and the message folder are on the same file system.
\$mhdraft	Specifies the path name of the working draft.
\$mhfolder	Specifies the folder containing the alternate message. This is set by the dist and repl commands during edit sessions, so you can read other messages in the current folder besides the one being distributed. The \$mhfolder environment variable is also set by the show , prev , and next commands for use by the mhl command.

Examples

The following example has the mandatory entry for the `Path:` field. The option `-alias aliases` is used when both the [send](#) and [ali](#) commands are started. The [aliases](#) file resides in the mail directory. The message protection is set to 600, which means that only the user has permission to read the message files. The signature is set to Dan Carpenter, and the default editor is [vi](#).

```
Path:      Mail
send:      -alias aliases
ali:       -alias aliases
Msg-Protect: 600
Signature: Dan Carpenter
Editor:    /usr/bin/vi
```

Files

Item	Description
\$HOME/.mh_profile	Contains the user profile.
<i>UserMHD</i> Directory/ context	Contains the user context file.
<i>Folder</i> / .mh_sequences	Contains the public sequences for the folder specified by the <i>Folder</i> variable.

Related reference

[.mh_alias File Format](#)

Related information

[chmod command](#)

[dist command](#)

[inc command](#)

[next command](#)

mibII.my File

Purpose

Provides sample input to the **mosy** command.

Description

The `/usr/samples/snmpd/mibII.my` file is a sample input file to the **mosy** command, which creates an objects definition file for use by the **snmpinfo** command. This file is part of Simple Network Management Protocol Agent Applications in Network Support Facilities. The **mosy** compiler requires its input file to contain the ASN.1 definitions as described in the Structure and Identification of Management Information (SMI) RFC 1155 and the Management Information Base (MIB) RFC 1213. The **mibII.my** file contains the ASN.1 definitions from the MIB RFC 1213 (MIB II). RFC is the abbreviation for Request for Comments.

Comments are specified by `--` (two dashes). A comment can begin at any location after the comment sign and extend to the end of the line.

The **mibII.my** file begins with a definition of the SNMP subtree of the MIB, as assigned by the Internet Activities Board (IAB). This definition contains the name of the RFCs from which the ASN.1 definitions are obtained.

```
RFC1213-MIB {iso org(3) dod(6) internet(1) mgmt(2) 1 }

DEFINITIONS ::= BEGIN

IMPORTS
    mgmt, NetworkAddress, IPAddress,
    Counter, Gauge, TimeTicks
    FROM RFC1155-SMI
    OBJECT-TYPE
    from RFC-1213;

mib-2 OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { mgmt 1 }-- MIB-II

system          OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { mib-2 1 }
interfaces      OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { mib-2 2 }
at              OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { mib-2 3 }
ip              OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { mib-2 4 }
icmp            OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { mib-2 5 }
tcp             OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { mib-2 6 }
udp             OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { mib-2 7 }
egp             OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { mib-2 8 }
-- cmot         OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { mib-2 9 }
transmission    OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { mib-2 10 }
snmp            OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { mib-2 11 }
```

The file must contain the ASN.1 definition for each MIB variable. The ASN.1 definition is presented in an **OBJECT-TYPE** macro.

Following is the format of an **OBJECT-TYPE** macro:

```
ObjectDescriptor      OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX             ObjectSyntax
    ACCESS             AccessMode
    STATUS             StatusType
    DESCRIPTION        Description
    ::= {ObjectGroup Entry}
```

The following definitions describe the pieces of the macro:

Macro	Description
<i>ObjectDescriptor</i>	Indicates the textual name assigned to the MIB variable being defined. See RFC 1155 for the definition of the <i>ObjectDescriptor</i> variable.

Macro	Description
<i>ObjectSyntax</i>	<p>Indicates the abstract syntax for the object type. It must be one of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • INTEGER • OCTET STRING or DisplayString • OBJECT IDENTIFIER • NULL • Network Address • Counter • Gauge • TimeTicks • Opaque <p>See RFC 1155 for definitions of each <i>ObjectSyntax</i> variable.</p>
<i>AccessMode</i>	<p>Specifies the permissions of the object, which can be either:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • read-only • read-write • write-only • not-accessible <p>See RFC 1155 for definitions of each <i>AccessMode</i> variable.</p>
<i>StatusType</i>	<p>Specifies the status of the object, which can be either:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • mandatory • optional • deprecated • obsolete <p>See RFC 1155 for definitions of each <i>StatusType</i> variable.</p>
<i>Description</i>	Specifies a textual description of the purpose of the MIB variable being defined.
<i>ObjectGroup</i>	Defines the object group for this MIB variable. The <i>ObjectGroup</i> variable identifies the subtree for the MIB variable. See RFC 1213 for information on object groups.
<i>Entry</i>	Defines the unique location of the MIB variable in the <i>ObjectGroup</i> variable.

The *ObjectGroup* and *Entry* variables are used to specify the unique numerical object identifier for each MIB variable. See RFC 1155 for an explanation of the object identifier.

See RFC 1155 for further information on the **OBJECT-TYPE** macro.

This sample **mibII.my** file was created by extracting the definitions from Chapter 6, "Definitions," of RFC 1213. This file is shipped as **/usr/samples/snmpd/mibII.my**.

Examples

The following example of an **OBJECT-TYPE** macro describes the sysDescr managed object:

```
sysDescr      OBJECT-TYPE
              DisplayString (SIZE (0..255))
              read-only
              mandatory
              A textual description of the entity.
              This value should include the full name and
```

```
::= { system 1 }
```

version identification of system's hardware type, software operating-system, and networking software. It is mandatory that this only contain printable ASCII characters.

Files

Item

[/usr/samples/snmpd/mibII.my](#)

[/usr/samples/snmpd/smi.my](#)

[/etc/mib.defs](#)

Description

Specifies the path of the **mibII.my** file.

Defines the ASN.1 definitions by which the SMI is defined in RFC 1155.

Defines the Management Information Base (MIB) variables the **snmpd** agent should recognize and handle. This file is in the format which the **snmpinfo** command requires.

Related reference

[smi.my File](#)

Related information

[mosy command](#)

[snmpinfo command](#)

[Terminology Related to Management Information Base \(MIB\) Variables](#)

mkuser.default File

Purpose

Contains the default attributes for new users.

Description

The **/usr/lib/security/mkuser.default** file contains the default attributes for new users. This file is an ASCII file that contains user stanzas. These stanzas have attribute default values for users created by the **mkuser** command. Each attribute has the *Attribute=Value* form. If an attribute has a value of **\$USER**, the **mkuser** command substitutes the name of the user. The end of each attribute pair and stanza is marked by a new-line character.

There are two stanzas, user and admin, that can contain all defined attributes except the **id** and **admin** attributes. The **mkuser** command generates a unique **id** attribute. The **admin** attribute depends on whether the **-a** flag is used with the **mkuser** command.

For a list of the possible user attributes, see the [chuser](#) command.

Security

Access Control: If read (r) access is not granted to all users, members of the security group should be given read (r) access. This command should grant write (w) access only to the root user.

Examples

A typical user stanza looks like the following:

```
user:
  pgroup = staff
  groups = staff
  shell = /usr/bin/ksh
```

```
home = /home/$USER
auth1 = SYSTEM
```

Files

Item	Description
/usr/lib/security/mkuser.default	Specifies the path to the file.

Related information

[chuser command](#)

[mkuser command](#)

[User Accounts](#)

mtstailor File for MH

Purpose

Tailors the Message Handler (MH) environment to the local environment.

Description

The entries located in the **/etc/mh/mtstailor** file specify how MH commands work. The following list describes the file entries and their default values. All of the file entries are optional.

Entry	Description
localname:	Specifies the host name of the local system. If this entry is not defined, MH queries the system for the default value.
systemname:	Specifies the host name of the local system in the UUCP domain. If this entry is not defined, MH queries the system for the default value.
mmdfldir:	Specifies the location of mail drops. If this entry is present and empty, mail drops are located in the user's \$HOME directory. If this entry does not exist, mail drops are located in the /usr/mail directory.
mmdflfil:	Specifies the name of the file used as the mail drop. If this entry is not defined, the default file name is the same as the user name.
mmdelim1:	Specifies the beginning-of-message delimiter for mail drops. The default value is four Ctrl + A key sequences followed by a new-line character (. 001. 001. 001. 001. 012). A Ctrl + A key sequence is a nonprintable character not displayed on the screen.
mmdelim2:	Specifies the end-of-message delimiter for mail drops. The default value is four Ctrl + A key sequences followed by a new-line character (. 001. 001. 001. 001. 012). A Ctrl + A key sequence is a nonprintable character not displayed on the screen.
mmailid:	Specifies whether support for the <i>MMailID</i> variable in the /etc/passwd file is enabled. If the mmailid: entry is set to a nonzero value, support is enabled. The pw_gecos: field in the /etc/passwd file has the following form:

```
My Full Name MmailID
```

When support for the *MMailID* variable is enabled, the internal MH routines that deal with user and full names return the *MailID* variable and the *My Full Name*, respectively. The default value is 0.

Entry	Description
<code>lockstyle:</code>	Specifies the locking discipline. A value of 0 (zero) uses the <code>lockf</code> system call to perform locks. A value of 1 creates lock names by appending <code>.lock</code> to the name of the file being locked. The default is 0 (zero).
<code>lockldir:</code>	Specifies the directory for locked files. The default value is the <code>/etc/locks</code> file.
<code>sendmail:</code>	Specifies the path name of the sendmail command. The default value is the <code>/usr/lib/sendmail</code> file.
<code>maildelivery:</code>	Specifies the path name of the file containing the system default mail delivery instructions. The default value is the <code>/etc/mh/maildelivery</code> file.
<code>everyone:</code>	Specifies the users to receive messages addressed to everyone. All users having UIDs greater than the specified number (not inclusive) receive messages addressed to everyone. The default value is 200.

Files

Item	Description
<code>/etc/mh/mtstailor</code>	Contains MH command definitions.

Related reference

[.maildelivery](#) File for MH

[/etc/passwd](#) File

Related information

[sendmail](#) command

mrouted.conf File

Purpose

Default configuration information for the multicast routing daemon **mrouted**.

Description

The `/etc/mrouted.conf` configuration file contains entries that provide configuration information used by **mrouted**. You can specify any combination of these entries in this file.

The file format is free-form; white space and newline characters are not significant. The **phyint**, **tunnel**, and **name** entries can be specified more than once. The **boundary** and **altnet** values can be specified as many times as necessary.

The following entries and their options can be used in the `mrouted.conf` file:

phyint *local_addr* [**disable**] [**metric** *m*] [**threshold** *t*] [**rate_limit** *b*] [**boundary**

(*boundary_name* | *scoped_addr/mask_len*)] [**altnet** *network/mask_len*]

The **phyint** entry can be used to disable multicast routing on the physical interface identified by the local IP address *local_addr*, or to associate a non-default metric or threshold with the specified physical interface. The local IP address can be replaced by the interface name (for example, `le0`). If a physical interface is attached to multiple IP subnets, describe each additional subnet with the **altnet** option. **Phyint** entries must precede **tunnel** entries.

The options for the **phyint** entry and the actions they generate are as follows:

local_addr

Specifies the local address, using either an IP address or an interface name, such as `en0`.

disable

Disables multicast routing on the physical interface identified by *local_addr*.

metric *m*

Specifies the "cost" associated with sending a datagram on the given interface or tunnel. This option can be used to influence the choice of routes. The default value of *m* is **1**. Metrics should be kept as small as possible, because **mrouted** cannot route along paths with a sum of metrics greater than 31.

threshold *t*

Specifies the minimum IP time-to-live (TTL) required for a multicast datagram to be forwarded to the given interface or tunnel. This option controls the scope of multicast datagrams. (The TTL of forwarded packets is compared only to the threshold, it is not decremented by the threshold.) The default value of *t* is **1**. In general, all **mrouted** daemons connected to a particular subnet or tunnel should use the same metric and threshold for that subnet or tunnel.

rate_limit *b*

Specifies a bandwidth in Kilobits/second, which is allocated to multicast traffic. The default value of *b* is **500** Kbps on tunnels, and **0** (unlimited) on physical interfaces.

boundary *boundary_name/scoped_addr/mask_len*

Configures an interface as an administrative boundary for the specified scoped address. Packets belonging to this address are not forwarded on a scoped interface. The **boundary** option accepts either a boundary name or a scoped address and mask length. The *boundary_name* is the name assigned to a boundary with the **name** entry. The *scoped_addr* value is a multicast address. The *mask_len* value is the length of the network mask.

altnet *network/mask_len*

Specifies an additional subnet (*network*) attached to the physical interface described in the **phyint** entry. *mask_len* is the length of the network mask.

tunnel *local_addr remote_addr [metric *m*] [threshold *t*] [rate_limit *b*] [boundary {*boundary_name* | *scoped_addr/mask_len*}] [altnet *network/mask_len*]*

The **tunnel** entry can be used to establish a tunnel link between the local IP address (*local_addr*) and the remote IP address (*remote_addr*), and to associate a non-default metric or threshold with that tunnel. The local IP address can be replaced by the interface name (for example, *le0*). The remote IP address can be replaced by a host name, if and only if the host name has a single IP address associated with it. The tunnel must be set up in the **mrouted.conf** files of both routers before it can be used. The **phyint** entry can be used to disable multicast routing on the physical address interface identified by the local IP address *local_addr* , or to associate a non-default metric or threshold with the specified physical interface. The local IP address can be replaced by the interface name (for example, *le0*). If a physical interface is attached to multiple IP subnets, describe each additional subnet with the **altnet** option. **Phyint** entries must precede **tunnel** entries.

For a description of the options used with the **tunnel** entry, see the preceding option descriptions in the **phyint** entry.

cache_lifetime *ct*

The **cache_lifetime** entry determines the amount of time that a cached multicast route stays in the kernel before timing out. The value of *ct* is in seconds, and should lie between 300 (five minutes) and 86400 (one day). The default value is **300** seconds .

pruning *state*

The **pruning** entry enables **mrouted** to act as a non-pruning router. The value of *state* can be either **on** or **off** . You should configure your router as a non-pruning router for test purposes only. The default mode is **on** , which enables pruning.

name *boundary_name scoped_addr/mask-len*

The **name** entry lets you assign names to boundaries to make it easier to configure. The **boundary** option on the **phyint** and **tunnel** entries accepts either a boundary name or a scoped address. The *boundary_name* is the name you want to give to the boundary. The *scoped_addr* value is a multicast address. The *mask_len* value is the length of the network mask.

Example

This example shows a configuration for a multicast router at a large school.

```
#
# mROUTED.conf
#
# Name our boundaries to make it easier
name LOCAL 239.255.0.0/16 name EE 239.254.0.0/16
#
# le1 is our gateway to compsci, don't forward our
#   local groups to them
phyint le1 boundary LOCAL
#
# le2 is our interface on the classroom network,
#   it has four different length subnets on it.
# Note that you can use either an IP address or an
#   interface name
phyint 172.16.12.38 boundary EE altnet 172.16.15.0/26
    altnet 172.16.15.128/26 altnet 172.16.48.0/24
#
# atm0 is our ATM interface, which doesn't properly
# support multicasting
phyint atm0 disable
#
# This is an internal tunnel to another EE subnet.
# Remove the default tunnel rate limit, since this tunnel
#   is over ethernet
tunnel 192.168.5.4 192.168.55.101 metric 1 threshold 1
    rate_limit 0
# This is our tunnel to the outside world.
tunnel 192.168.5.4 10.11.12.13 metric 1 threshold 32
    boundary LOCAL boundary EE
```

netgroup File for NIS

Purpose

Lists the groups of users on the network.

Description

The **/etc/netgroup** file defines network-wide groups. This file is used for checking permissions when doing remote mounts, remote logins, and remote shells. For remote mounts, the information in the **netgroup** file is used to classify machines. For remote logins and remote shells, the file is used to classify users. Each line of the **netgroup** file defines a group and is formatted as follows:

Groupname Member1 Member2 ...

where *Member* is either another group name or consists of three entries as follows:

hostname, username, domainname

Any of these three fields can be empty, in which case it signifies a wild card. The *universal (, ,)* field defines a group to which everyone belongs.

Field names that begin with something other than a letter, digit or underscore (such as -) work in precisely the opposite fashion. For example, consider the following entries:

```
justmachines    (analytica,-,ibm)
```

```
justpeople      (-,babbage,ibm)
```

The machine *analytica* belongs to the group *justmachines* in the domain *ibm*, but no users belong to it. Similarly, the user *babbage* belongs to the group *justpeople* in the domain *ibm*, but no machines belong to it.

A gateway machine should be listed under all possible host names by which it may be recognized:

wan (gateway , ,) (gateway-ebb , ,)

The *domainname* field refers to the domain *n* in which the triple is valid, not the name containing the trusted host.

Examples

The following is an excerpt from a **netgroup** file:

```
machines (venus, -, star)
people   (-, bob, star)
```

In this example, the machine named *venus* belongs to the group *machines* in the *star* domain. Similarly, the user *bob* belongs to the group *people* in the *star* domain.

Files

Item	Description
/etc/netgroup	Specifies the path of the file.

Related information

[makedbm command](#)

[ypserv command](#)

[Network File System Overview](#)

netmasks File for NIS

Purpose

Contains network masks used to implement Internet Protocol (IP) standard subnetting.

Description

The **/etc/netmasks** file contains network masks used to implement IP standard subnetting. This file contains a line for each network that is subnetted. Each line consists of the network number, any number of spaces or tabs, and the network mask to use on that network. Network numbers and masks may be specified in the conventional IP . (dot) notation (similar to IP host addresses, but with zeroes for the host part). The following number is a line from a **netmask** file:

```
128.32.0.0 255.255.255.0
```

This number specifies that the Class B network *128.32.0.0* has 8 bits of subnet field and 8 bits of host field, in addition to the standard 16 bits in the network field. When running network information service, this file on the master is used for the **netmasks.byaddr** map.

Files

Item	Description
/etc/netmasks	Specifies the path of the file.

Related information

[Network File System Overview](#)

[Network Information Service Overview](#)

netmon.cf File

Purpose

Provides network monitoring functions.

Description

The `netmon.cf` file is an optional configuration file that customers can put in place to augment the normally available ping targets with any hosts on the network that are not defined to be part of the cluster itself, and thus would not be picked up automatically, but are reachable from the cluster nodes, specifically from the IP addresses being monitored by topology services.

If the file exists in one of these paths on a node, every NIM on that node reads it when topology services are started and try to use its contents when exercising the network monitor library functions.

This file is not controlled by any cluster subsystems; it is not distributed to any other nodes in the cluster because it is added to one of them. It must be put on each node that needs it manually.

Files

`/opt/rsct/samples/hats/netmon.cf`

Sample version of the `netmon.cf` file

Implementation specifics

This file is part of the Reliable Scalable Cluster Technology (RSCT) filesset for AIX.

Location

`/usr/es/sbin/cluster/netmon.cf`

Location of the `netmon.cf` file in a PowerHA® environment

`/var/ct/cfg/netmon.cf`

Location of the `netmon.cf` file in an RSCT peer domain

Related information

[Issrc Command](#)

netsvc.conf File

Purpose

Specifies the ordering of certain name resolution services.

Description

The `/etc/netsvc.conf` file is used to specify the ordering of name resolution for the **`sendmail`** command, **`gethostbyname`** subroutine, **`gethostaddr`** subroutine, and **`gethostent`** subroutine and alias resolution for the **`sendmail`** command.

Several mechanisms for resolving host names and aliases are available. The **`gethostbyname`**, **`gethostbyaddr`**, and **`gethostent`** subroutines use these mechanisms for resolving names. A default order exists in which the resolver subroutines try the mechanisms for resolving host names and Internet Protocol (IP) addresses.

Resolving Host Names

You can override the default order and the order given in the `/etc/irs.conf` file by creating the `/etc/netsvc.conf` configuration file and specifying the desired ordering. To specify this host ordering, create an entry in the following format:

```
hosts = value [, value]
```

Use one or more of the following values for the **hosts** keyword:

Value	Description
auth	Designates the specified server as <i>authoritative</i> . A resolver does not continue searching for host names further than an authoritative server. For example, when two services are given as values for the host keyword and the first service is made authoritative, and if the resolver cannot find the host name in the authoritative service, then the resolver terminates its search. However, the auth option has no effect if the resolver is unable to contact the authoritative server; in this case, the resolver continues to search the next service given in the same entry. Indicate that the specified service is authoritative by following it by an = and then auth. Note: The auth option is only valid when used in conjunction with a service value for the host keyword.
bind	Uses BIND/DNS services for resolving names
local	Searches the local /etc/hosts file for resolving names
nis	Uses NIS services for resolving names. NIS must be running if you specify this option
nis_ldap	Uses LDAP services for resolving names. This option works if LDAP server schema is RFC 2307 compliant.
bind4	Uses BIND/DNS services for resolving only IPv4 addresses
bind6	Uses BIND/DNS services for resolving only IPv6 addresses
local4	Searches the local /etc/hosts file for resolving only IPv4 addresses
local6	Searches the local /etc/hosts file for resolving only IPv6 addresses
nis4	Uses NIS services for resolving only IPv4 addresses
nis6	Uses NIS services for resolving only IPv6 addresses
nis_ldap4	Uses NIS LDAP services for resolving names for IPv4 addresses
nis_ldap6	Uses NIS LDAP services for resolving names for IPv6 addresses

The environment variable **NSORDER** overrides the host settings in the **/etc/netsvc.conf** file, which in turn overrides the host settings in the **/etc/irs.conf** file.

Resolving Aliases

The **sendmail** command searches the local **/etc/aliases** file, or uses NIS if specified for resolving aliases. You can override the default by specifying how to resolve aliases in the **/etc/netsvc.conf** file. To specify alias ordering to the **sendmail** command, enter the following:

```
alias = value [, value]
```

Use one or more of the following values for the **alias** keyword:

Value	Description
files	Searches the local /etc/aliases file for the alias
nis	Uses NIS services for resolving alias

The order is specified on one line with values separated by commas. White spaces are permitted around the commas and the equal sign. The values specified and their ordering are dependent on the network configuration.

Examples

1. To use only the **/etc/hosts** file for resolving names, enter:

```
hosts = local
```

2. If the resolver cannot find the name in the **/etc/hosts** file and you want to the resolver to use NIS, enter:

```
hosts = local , nis
```

3. To use an LDAP server for resolving names, to indicate that it is authoritative, and to also use the BIND service, enter: `z``

```
host = nis_ldap = auth , bind
```

In this example, if the resolver cannot contact the LDAP server, it searches the BIND service.

4. To override the default order and use only NIS for resolving aliases by the **sendmail** command, enter:

```
aliases = nis
```

Files

Item	Description
/etc/netsvc.conf	Specifies the path to the file.

Related reference

[irs.conf File](#)

[aliases File for Mail](#)

[resolv.ldap File Format for TCP/IP](#)

Related information

[sendmail command](#)

[gethostbyname subroutine](#)

networks File for NFS

Purpose

Contains information about networks on the NFS Internet network.

Description

The **/etc/networks** file contains information regarding the known networks that make up the Internet network. The file has an entry for each network. Each entry consists of a single line with the following information:

- Official network name
- Network number
- Aliases

Items are separated by any number of blanks or tab characters. A # (pound sign) indicates the beginning of a comment; characters up to the end of the line are not interpreted by routines that search the file.

Note: This file is not supported by the operating system. However, if this file resides on your system, Network Information Services (NIS) software will create a map for it.

Files

Item	Description
/etc/networks	Specifies the path of the file.

Related information

[NFS Services](#)

[List of NFS files](#)

NLSvec File

Purpose

Encodes PostScript fonts for the ISO8859-1 codeset characters that have code points of more than 127 decimal.

Description

The **/usr/lib/ps/NLSvec** file can contain optional comments, optional code sets, and optional character encodings.

If a line begins with an ***** (asterisk), it is treated as a comment.

If a specified codeset is used, it must precede all character encodings. If a code set is not specified, the default is ISO8859-1. A specified code set uses the following syntax:

x codeset *CodeSetName*

x

Use a lowercase letter.

codeset

Use all lowercase letters.

CodeSetName

Use any valid code set name available for use with the **iconv** command.

A character encoding uses the following syntax:

CodePoint PostscriptFontPosition PostscriptCharacterName

CodePoint

Displays the decimal code point for the character.

PostScriptFontPosition

Displays the new encoding for that character within the PostScript fonts. The encoding can be octal or decimal.

PostScriptCharacterName

Displays the PostScript character name.

The PostScript assigned character encodings as well as the character names can be found in the following book:

Adobe Systems Incorporated. *PostScript Language Reference Manual, Second Edition*. Reading, MA: Addison-Wesley.

Examples

Note:

1. Following is an example of a specified codeset:

```
x codeset ISO8859-1
```

2. Following is an example of a character encoding:

```
161 0241 exclamdown
```

International Character Support

By default, the output code set for the TranScript commands is ISO8859-1. The output code set can be specified with the **NLSvec** file. For the **enscript**, **ps4014**, **ps630**, and **psplot** TranScript commands, the input codeset is determined from the current locale. The mapping of characters outside the ASCII range is determined through the **iconv** subroutine using the input and output code sets. If there is no corresponding **iconv** converter, the commands treat the input data as if it were produced in ISO8859-1. This means that ASCII data is output correctly for all locales and codesets. For multibyte locales with no **iconv** converters to ISO8859-1 each byte of a multibyte character is treated as individual characters of the ISO8859-1 form. The only exception to this is the **enscript** command, which translates characters rather than bytes in the current locale through the mapping in the **NLSvec** file.

The following table lists the characters from the IBM-850 code set, which does not map directly to the ISO8859-1 code set through the **iconv** subroutine. The following characters would be mapped to 26 (0x1A) by the **iconv** subroutine and thus be discarded on output. It is possible to define an alternative **NLSvec** file for the IBM-850 code set so that more of the characters can be output on a PostScript device. The characters marked with an * (asterisk) before the character name are normally available in a PostScript font.

Code Point	Character Name
159 (0x9F)	* Florin sign, PostScript name: florin
176 (0xB0)	Quarter hashed
177 (0xB1)	Half hashed
178 (0xB2)	Full hashed
179 (0xB3)	Vertical bar
180 (0xB4)	Right-side middle
185 (0xB9)	Double right-side middle
186 (0xBA)	Double vertical bar
187 (0xBB)	Double upper-right corner bar
188 (0xBC)	Double lower-right corner bar
191 (0xBF)	Upper-right corner box
192 (0xC0)	Lower-left corner box
193 (0xC1)	Bottom-side middle
194 (0xC2)	Top-side middle
195 (0xC3)	Left-side middle
196 (0xC4)	Center box bar
197 (0xC5)	Intersection
200 (0xC8)	Double lower-left corner bar
201 (0xC9)	Double upper-left corner bar
202 (0xCA)	Double bottom-side middle
203 (0xCB)	Double top-side middle
204 (0xCC)	Double left-side middle

Code Point	Character Name
205 (0xCD)	Double center box bar
206 (0xCE)	Double intersection
213 (0xD5)	* Small dotless i, PostScript name: dotless i
217 (0xD9)	Lower-right corner box
218 (0xDA)	Upper-left corner box
219 (0xDB)	Bright character cell
220 (0xDC)	Bright character cell lower half
223 (0xDF)	Bright character cell upper half
242 (0xF2)	Double underscore
254 (0xFE)	Vertical solid rectangle

Files

Item	Description
XPSSLIBDIRX	Specifies the /usr/lib/ps directory.
/usr/lib/ps/NLSvec	Contains Adobe TranScript character encodings for the ISO8859-1 code set. This file is the default.
PSVECFILE	Used as an environment variable to define an NLSvec file other than the default file.

Related information

[enscript command](#)
[iconv command](#)
[ps630 command](#)

/etc/nscontrol.conf File

Purpose

Contains configuration information of some name services.

Description

The **/etc/nscontrol.conf** file is a stanza file, with each stanza name representing a database name. You can use the **lssec** command and the **chsec** commands to manage the **/etc/nscontrol.conf** file. The stanza controls the following stanza names and library subroutines:

Stanza Name	RBAC and Domain RBAC library subroutines
authorizations	getauthattr, getauthattr, putauthattr, putauthattr
roles	getroleattr, getroleattr, putroleattr, putroleattr
privcmds	getcmdattr, getcmdattr, putcmdattr, putcmdattr
privdevs	getdevattr, getdevattr, putdevattr, putdevattr
privfiles	getpfileattr, getpfileattr, putpfileattr, putpfileattr

The below stanzas are for EFS Library subroutines and for Remote EFS Keystore support:

- **efsusrkeystore**

- efsgrpkeystore
- efsadmkeystore

The below stanzas are for Trusted Execution Library subroutines and for Trusted Execution Remote Signature and Policy database support:

1. tsddat
2. tepolicies

The following stanza supports the audit configuration file:

- auditconfig

You can specify the following attributes:

Item	Description
secorder	<p>A comma-separated list of module names that library subroutines use in searching and updating a database. The following module names are valid:</p> <p>files Specifies the local module, namely the database files from the /etc/security directory. This is the default value. For EFS Keystore <code>/var/efs/<users/groups>/<username/groupname>/keystore</code> directory.</p> <p>LDAP Specifies the LDAP module. You must configure the system as an LDAP client.</p> <p>A search operation is performed on each module in the order that is specified until a matching entry is found. A failure is returned if no match is found from all of the modules. A modification operation is performed on the first entry match. A creation operation is performed on the first module in the list only.</p> <p>You can override the value of the secorder attribute by calling the setsecorder subroutine in an application program, or by using the -R module option on commands that support the option.</p>
databasename	<p>Specifies the database names to consider with database operations. The databasename attribute is used for Trusted Execution Databases, such as the Trusted Signature Database and the TE policy Database. While the LDAP search operation is performed these names are used as a part of Distinguished Names (DN).</p>

You can specify the following attribute for EFS stanzas:

Item	Description
Searchorder	<p>A comma-separated list of module names that library subroutines use in searching and updating a database. The following module names are valid:</p> <p>files Specifies the local module, namely the database files from the /var/efs/<users/groups>/<username/groupname>/keystore directory.</p> <p>LDAP Specifies the LDAP module. You must configure the system as an LDAP client.</p> <p>A search operation is performed on each module in the order that is specified until a matching entry is found. A failure is returned if no match is found from all of the modules. A modification operation is performed on the first entry match. A creation operation is performed on the first module in the list only.</p> <p>You can override the value of the searchorder attribute by using the -R module option on commands that support the option.</p>

Files

Item	Description
/etc/security/domains	Contains domain definitions.
/etc/security/domobjs	Contains domain objects and their associated security settings.
/etc/security/authorizations	Contains the user-defined authorizations.
/etc/security/roles	Contains role definitions.
/etc/security/privcmds	Contains privileged command names and their associated security settings.
/etc/security/privdevs	Contains privileged device names and their associated security settings.
/etc/security/privfiles	Contains authorization lists for privileged configuration files that the trvi editor can access.
/etc/security/tsd/tsd.dat	Contains trusted signature database.
/etc/security/tsd/tepolices.dat	Contains trusted execution policies for the system.
/var/efs	Contains all the EFS Keystores.

Security

This files grants read and write access to the root user. Access for other users and groups depends on the security policy for the system.

Examples

1. An example of the authorizations stanza follows:

```
authorizations:
    secorder = files,LDAP
```

This entry states that the search for an authorization is done in the local **/etc/security/authorizations** database first. If no matching entry is found, further search is done in the **LDAP** database.

2. An example of the TE Signature Database stanza follows:


```
tsddat:
    secorder = LDAP,files
    databasename = TSD_v1
```

Note: In case of tsddat stanza and tepolicies stanza the secorder *files*, *LDAP* is not a valid use case.

3. An example of the efsusrkeystore stanza follows:

```
efsusrkeystore:
    secorder = LDAP,files
```

Related reference

[/etc/security/authorizations File](#)

[roles File](#)

[/etc/security/privcmds File](#)

Related information

[mkauth command](#)

ntp.conf File

Purpose

Controls how the Network Time Protocol (NTP) daemon **xntpd** operates and behaves.

Description

The **ntp.conf** file is a basic configuration file controlling the **xntpd** daemon.

The following options are discussed in this article:

- [Configuration Options](#)
- [Configuration Authentication Options](#)
- [Configuration Access Control Options](#)
- [Configuration Monitoring Options](#)
- [Miscellaneous Configuration Options](#)

Configuration Options

In the **ntp.conf** file, comments begin with a **#** character and extend to the end of the line. Blank lines are ignored. Options consist of an initial keyword followed by a list of arguments, which may be optional, separated by whitespace. These options may not be continued over multiple lines. Arguments may be host names, host addresses written in numeric (dotted decimal) form, integers, floating point numbers (when specifying times in seconds) and text strings.

Option	Description
peer [<i>HostAddress</i>] [<i>key Number</i>] [<i>version Number</i>] [prefer] [<i>minpoll Number</i>] [<i>maxpoll Number</i>]	<p>Specifies that the local server operate in symmetric active mode with the remote server specified by <i>HostAddress</i>. In this mode, the local server can be synchronized to the remote server, or the remote server can be synchronized to the local server. Use this method in a network of servers where, depending on various failure scenarios, either the local or remote server host may be the better source of time.</p> <p>The <i>key Number</i> specifies that all packets sent to <i>HostAddress</i> include authentication fields encrypted using the specified key number. The value of <i>KeyNumber</i> is the range of an unsigned 32 bit integer.</p> <p>The <i>version Number</i> specifies the version number to use for outgoing NTP packets. The values for <i>Version</i> can be 1 or 2. The default is NTP version 3 implementation.</p> <p>The prefer option marks the host as a preferred host. This host is not subject to preliminary filtering.</p> <p>The <i>minpoll</i> number specifies the minimum poll interval allowed by any peer of the Internet system. The minimum poll interval is calculated, in seconds, as 2 to the power of <i>minpoll</i> value. The default value of <i>minpoll</i> is 6, i.e. the corresponding poll interval is 64 seconds.</p> <p>The <i>maxpoll</i> number specifies the maximum poll interval allowed by any peer of the Internet system. The maximum poll interval is calculated, in seconds, as 2 to the power of <i>maxpoll</i> value. The default value of <i>maxpoll</i> is 10, therefore the corresponding poll interval is ~17 minutes.</p> <p>The allowable range for <i>minpoll</i> and <i>maxpoll</i> is 4 (16 seconds) to 14 (~4.5 hours) inclusive.</p>

Option	Description
server [<i>HostAddress</i>] [key <i>Number</i>] [version <i>Number</i>] [prefer] [mode <i>Number</i>] [minpoll <i>Number</i>] [maxpoll <i>Number</i>] [iburst]	<p>Specifies that the local server operate in client mode with the remote server specified by <i>HostAddress</i>. In this mode, the local server can be synchronized to the remote server, but the remote server can never be synchronized to the local server.</p> <p>The key <i>Number</i> specifies that all packets sent to <i>HostAddress</i> include authentication fields encrypted using the specified key number. The value of <i>KeyNumber</i> is the range of an unsigned 32 bit integer.</p> <p>The version <i>Number</i> specifies the version number to use for outgoing NTP packets. The values for <i>Version</i> can be 1 or 2. The default is NTP version 3 implementation.</p> <p>The prefer argument marks the host as a preferred host. This host is not subject to preliminary filtering.</p> <p>The minpoll number specifies the minimum poll interval allowed by any peer of the Internet system. The minimum poll interval is calculated, in seconds, as 2 to the power of minpoll value. The default value of minpoll is 6, i.e. the corresponding poll interval is 64 seconds.</p> <p>The maxpoll number specifies the maximum poll interval allowed by any peer of the Internet system. The maximum poll interval is calculated, in seconds, as 2 to the power of maxpoll value. The default value of maxpoll is 10, therefore the corresponding poll interval is ~17 minutes.</p> <p>The allowable range for minpoll and maxpoll is 4 (16 seconds) to 14 (~4.5 hours) inclusive.</p> <p>The iburst option causes xntpd to send a burst of eight packets during initial synchronization acquisition instead of the single packet that is normally sent. The packet spacing is two seconds.</p>
broadcast [<i>HostAddress</i>] [key <i>Number</i>] [version <i>Number</i>] [ttl <i>Number</i>]	<p>Specifies that the local server operate in broadcast mode where the local server sends periodic broadcast messages to a client population at the broadcast/multicast address specified by <i>HostAddress</i>. Ordinarily, this specification applies only to the local server operating as a transmitter. In this mode, <i>HostAddress</i> is usually the broadcast address on [one of] the local network[s] or a multicast address. The address assigned to NTP is 224.0.1.1; presently, this is the only number that should be used.</p> <p>The key <i>Number</i> specifies that all packets sent to <i>HostAddress</i> include authentication fields encrypted using the specified key number. The value of <i>Number</i> is the range of an unsigned 32 bit integer.</p> <p>The version <i>Number</i> specifies the version number to use for outgoing NTP packets. The values for <i>Version</i> can be 1 or 2. The default is NTP version 3 implementation.</p> <p>The ttl <i>Number</i> is used only with the broadcast mode. It specifies the time-to-live (TTL) to use on multicast packets. This value defaults to 127.</p>
broadcastclient	<p>Specifies that the local server listen for broadcast messages on the local network in order to discover other servers on the same subnet. When the local server hears a broadcast message for the first time, it measures the nominal network delay using a brief client/server exchange with the remote server, then enters the broadcastclient mode, where it listens for and synchronizes to succeeding broadcast messages.</p>

Option	Description
multicastclient [<i>IPAddress ...</i>]	Works like broadcastclient configuration option, but operates using IP multicasting. If you give one or more IP addresses, the server joins the respective multicast group(s). If you do not give an IP address, the IP address assumed is the one assigned to NTP (224.0.1.1).
driftfile <i>Filename</i>	<p>Specifies the name of the file used to record the frequency offset of the local clock oscillator. The xntpd daemon reads this file at startup, if it exists, in order to set the initial frequency offset and then updates it once per hour with the current offset computed by the daemon. If the file does not exist or you do not give this option, the initial frequency offset assumed is zero. In this case, it may take some hours for the frequency to stabilize and the residual timing errors to subside. The file contains a single floating point value equal to the offset in parts-per-million (ppm).</p> <p>Note: The update of the file occurs by first writing the current drift value into a temporary file and then using rename??? to replace the old version. The xntpd daemon must have write permission in the directory of the drift file, and you should avoid file system links, symbolic or otherwise.</p>
enable auth bclient pll monitor stats [...]	<p>Enables various server options. Does not affect arguments not mentioned.</p> <p>The auth option causes the server to synchronize with unconfigured peers only if the peer has been correctly authenticated using a trusted key and key identifier. The default for this argument is disable (off).</p> <p>The bclient option causes the server to listen for a message from a broadcast or multicast server, following which an association is automatically instantiated for that server. The default for this argument is disable (off).</p> <p>The pll option enables the server to adjust its local clock, with default enable (on). If not set, the local clock free-runs at its intrinsic time and frequency offset. This option is useful when the local clock is controlled by some other device or protocol and NTP is used only to provide synchronization to other clients.</p> <p>The monitor option enables the monitoring facility, with default enable (on).</p> <p>The stats option enables statistics facility filegen, with default enable (on).</p>
disable auth bclient pll monitor stats [...]	<p>Disables various server options. Does not affect arguments not mentioned. The options are described under the enable subcommand.</p>
slewalways yes no	Specifies that xntpd always slews the time. The default value is no .
ignore_bigimestep yes no	Specifies that xntpd does not exit if no configured servers are within 1000 seconds of local system time. The default value is no . If you set the ignore_bigimestep option to yes , this takes effect only for the first instance after reading the configuration file. For later instances of encountering time shift more than 1000 seconds, the system behaves as if the ignore_bigimestep option is set to no .
slewthreshold <i>Seconds</i>	Specifies the maximum clock offset (in seconds) used for slewing. The default is 0.128 seconds.
tracefile <i>TraceFile</i>	Specifies the name of the file for debugging. (see the -o option to xntpd)
tracelevel <i>Number</i>	Specifies the debugging level. (see the -D option to xntpd)

Configuration Authentication Options

Option	Description
keys <i>Filename</i>	Specifies the name of a file which contains the encryption keys and key identifiers used by the xntpd daemon when operating in authenticated mode.
trustedkey <i>Number [Number ...]</i>	<p>Specifies the encryption key identifiers which are trusted for the purposes of authenticating peers suitable for synchronization. The authentication procedures require that both the local and remote servers share the same key and key identifier for this purpose, although you can use different keys with different servers. Each <i>Number</i> is a 32 bit unsigned integer.</p> <p>Note: The NTP key 0 is fixed and globally known. To perform meaningful authentication, the 0 key should not be trusted.</p>
requestkey <i>Number</i>	Specifies the key identifier to use with the xntpd query/control program that diagnoses and repairs problems that affect the operation of the xntpd daemon. The operation of the xntpd query/control program is specific to this particular implementation of the xntpd daemon and can be expected to work only with this and previous versions of the daemon. Requests from a remote xntpd program which affect the state of the local server must be authenticated, which requires both the remote program and local server share a common key and key identifier. The value of <i>Number</i> is a 32 bit unsigned integer. If you do not include requestkey in the configuration file, or if the keys do not match, such requests are ignored.
controlkey <i>Number</i>	Specifies the key identifier to use with the ntp query program, that diagnoses problems that affect the operation of the xntpd daemon. The operation of the ntp query program and the xntpd daemon conform to those specified in RFC 1305. Requests from a remote ntp program which affect the state of the local server must be authenticated, which requires both the remote program and local server share a common key and key identifier. The value of <i>Number</i> is a 32 bit unsigned integer. If you do not include controlkey in the configuration file, or if the keys do not match, such requests are ignored.
authdelay <i>Seconds</i>	Specifies the amount of time it takes to encrypt an NTP authentication field on the local computer. This value corrects transmit timestamps when using authentication on outgoing packets. The value usually lies somewhere in the range 0.0001 seconds to 0.003 seconds, though it is very dependent on the CPU speed of the host computer.

Configuration Access Control Options

The **xntpd** daemon inserts default restriction list entries, with the parameters **ignore** and **ntpport**, for each of the local host's interface addresses into the table at startup to prevent the server from attempting to synchronize to its own time. A default entry is also always present, though if it is otherwise unconfigured it does not associate parameters with the default entry (everything besides your own NTP server is unrestricted).

While this facility may be useful for keeping unwanted or broken remote time servers from affecting your own, do not consider it an alternative to the standard NTP authentication facility.

restrict Address [mask Number | default] [Parameter ...]

Specifies the restrictions to use on the given address. The **xntpd** daemon implements a general purpose address-and-mask based restriction list. The **xntpd** daemon sorts this list by address and by mask, and searches the list in this order for matches, with the last match found defining the restriction flags associated with the incoming packets. The **xntpd** daemon uses the source address of incoming packets for the match, doing a logical and operation with the 32 bit address and the mask associated with the restriction entry. It then compares it with the entry's address (which has also been and'ed with the mask) to look for a match. The **mask** option defaults to 255.255.255.255, meaning that *Address* is treated as the address of an individual host. A default entry (address 0.0.0.0, mask 0.0.0.0) is always included and is always the first entry in the list. The text string **default**, with no mask option, may be used to indicate the default entry.

In the current implementation, *Parameter* always restricts access. An entry with no *Parameter* gives free access to the server. More restrictive *Parameters* will often make less restrictive ones redundant. The *Parameters* generally restrict time service or restrict informational queries and attempts to do run time reconfiguration of the server. You can specify one or more of the following value for *Parameter*:

ignore

Specifies to ignore all packets from hosts which match this entry. Does not respond to queries nor time server polls.

limited

Specifies that these hosts are subject to limitation of number of clients from the same net. Net in this context refers to the IP notion of net (class A, class B, class C, and so on). Only accepts the first **client_limit** hosts that have shown up at the server and that have been active during the last **client_limit_period** seconds. Rejects requests from other clients from the same net. Only takes into account time request packets. Private, control, and broadcast packets are not subject to client limitation and therefore do not contribute to client count. The monitoring capability of the **xntpd** daemon keeps a history of clients. When you use this option, monitoring remains active. The default value for **client_limit** is 3. The default value for **client_limit_period** is 3600 seconds.

lowpriotrap

Specifies to declare traps set by matching hosts to low-priority status. The server can maintain a limited number of traps (the current limit is 3), assigned on a first come, first served basis, and denies service to later trap requestors. This parameter modifies the assignment algorithm by allowing later requests for normal priority traps to override low-priority traps.

nomodify

Specifies to ignore all NTP mode 6 and 7 packets which attempt to modify the state of the server (run time reconfiguration). Permits queries which return information.

nopeer

Specifies to provide stateless time service to polling hosts, but not to allocate peer memory resources to these hosts.

noquery

Specifies to ignore all NTP mode 6 and 7 packets (information queries and configuration requests) from the source. Does not affect time service.

noserve

Specifies to ignore NTP packets whose mode is not 6 or 7. This denies time service, but permits queries.

notrap

Specifies to decline to provide mode 6 control message trap service to matching hosts. The trap service is a subsystem of the mode 6 control message protocol intended for use by remote event-logging programs.

notrust

Specifies to treat these hosts normally in other respects, but never use them as synchronization sources.

ntpport

Specifies to match the restriction entry only if the source port in the packet is the standard NTP UDP port (123).

clientlimit *Number*

Sets **client_limit**. Specifies the number of clients from the same network allowed to use the server. Allows the configuration of client limitation policy.

clientperiod *Seconds*

Sets **client_limit_period**. Specifies the number of seconds to before considering if a client is inactive and no longer counted for client limit restriction. Allows the configuration of client limitation policy.

Configuration Monitoring Options

File generation sets manage statistical files. The information obtained by enabling statistical recording allows analysis of temporal properties of a server running the **xntpd** daemon. It is usually only useful to primary servers.

statsdir *DirectoryPath*

Specifies the full path of the directory in which to create statistical files. Allows modification of the otherwise constant **filegen** filename prefix for file generation sets used for handling statistical logs.

statistics *Type...*

Enables writing of statistical records. The following are the types of statistics supported:

loopstats

Enables recording of loop filter statistical information. Each update of the local clock outputs a line of the following format to the file generation set named **loopstats**:

```
48773 10847.650 0.0001307 17.3478 2
```

The first two fields show the date (Modified Julian Day) and time (seconds and fraction past UTC midnight). The next three fields show time offset in seconds, frequency offset in parts-per-million and time constant of the clock-discipline algorithm at each update of the clock.

peerstats

Enables recording of peer statistical information. This includes statistical records of all peers of an NTP server and of the 1-pps signal, where present and configured. Each valid update appends a line of the following format to the current element of a file generation set named **peerstats**:

```
48773 10847.650 127.127.4.1 9714 -0.001605
0.00000 0.00142
```

The first two fields show the date (Modified Julian Day) and time (seconds and fraction past UTC midnight). The next two fields show the peer address in dotted-quad notation and status, respectively. The status field is encoded in hex in the format described in Appendix A of the NTP specification RFC 1305. The final three fields show the offset, delay and dispersion, all in seconds.

clockstats

Enables recording of clock driver statistical information. Each update received from a clock driver outputs a line of the following form to the file generation set named **clockstats**:

```
49213 525.624 127.127.4.1 93 226
00:08:29.606 D
```

The first two fields show the date (Modified Julian Day) and time (seconds and fraction past UTC midnight). The next field shows the clock address in dotted-quad notation, The final field shows the last timecode received from the clock in decoded ASCII format, where meaningful. You can gather and display a good deal of additional information in some clock drivers.

filegen *Name* [file *FileName*] [type *TypeName*] [flag *flagval*] [link] [nolink] [enable] [disabled]

Configures setting of generation fileset name. Generation filesets provide a means for handling files that are continuously growing during the lifetime of a server. Server statistics are a typical example for such files. Generation filesets provide access to a set of files used to store the actual data. A file generation set is characterized by its type. At any time, at most one element of the set is being written to. Filenames of set members are built from three elements:

Prefix

This is a constant filename path. It is not subject to modifications with the **filegen** option. It is defined by the server, usually specified as a compile time constant. You can, however, configure it for individual file generation sets with other commands. For example, you can configure the prefix used with loopstats and peerstats filegens using the **statsdir** option.

file FileName

The string *FileName* is directly concatenated to the prefix with no intervening slash (/). You can modify this by using the **file** argument to the **filegen** option. To prevent filenames referring to parts outside the filesystem hierarchy denoted by prefix, "." elements are not allowed in this component

Suffix

This part reflects individual elements of a fileset. It is generated according to the type of a fileset.

type TypeName

Specifies when and how to direct data to a new element of the set. This way, information stored in elements of a fileset that are currently unused are available for administrative operations without the risk of disturbing the operation of the **xntpd** daemon. Most important, you can remove them to free space for new data produced. The following types are supported:

none

Specifies that the fileset is actually a single plain file.

pid

Specifies the use of one element of fileset per server running the **xntpd** daemon. This type does not perform any changes to fileset members during runtime; however, it provides an easy way of separating files belonging to different servers running the **xntpd** daemon. The set member filename is built by appending a dot (.) to concatenated prefix and strings denoted in **file Name**, and appending the decimal representation of the process id of the **xntpd** server process.

day

Specifies the creation of one file generation set element per day. The term day is based on UTC. A day is the period between 00:00 and 24:00 UTC. The fileset member suffix consists of a dot (.) and a day specification in the form YYYYMMDD, where YYYY is a 4 digit year number, MM is a two digit month number, and, DD is a two digit day number. For example, all information written at January 10th, 1992 would end up in a file named PrefixFileName.19920110.

week

Specifies the creation of one file generation set element per week. A week is computed as day-of-year modulo 7. The fileset member suffix consists of a dot (.), a four digit year number, the letter W, and a two digit week number. For example, all information written at January, 10th 1992 would end up in a file named PrefixFileName.1992W1.

month

Specifies the creation of one file generation set element per month. The fileset member suffix consists of a dot (.), a four digit year number, and a two digit month number. For example, all information written at January, 1992 would end up in a file named PrefixFileName.199201.

year

Specifies the creation of one file generation set element per year. The fileset member suffix consists of a dot (.) and a four digit year number. For example, all information written at January, 1992 would end up in a file named PrefixFileName.1992.

age

Specifies the creation of one file generation set element every 24 hours of server operation. The fileset member suffix consists of a dot (.), the letter a, and an eight digit number. This number is the number of seconds of run-time of the server since the start of the corresponding 24 hour period.

enable

Enables the writing of information to a file generation set.

disabled

Disables the writing of information to a file generation set.

link

Enables the access of the current element of a file generation set by a fixed name by creating a hard link from the current fileset element to a file without *Suffix*. If a file with this name already exists and the number of links of this file is one, it is renamed by appending a dot (.), the letter C, and the pid of the **xntpd** server process. If the number of links is greater than one, the file is unlinked. This allows access of the current file by a constant name.

nolink

Disables access the current element of a file generation set by a fixed name.

Miscellaneous Configuration Options

Option	Description
precision <i>Number</i>	Specifies the nominal precision of the local clock. The <i>Number</i> is an integer approximately equal to the base 2 logarithm of the local timekeeping precision in seconds. Normally, the xntpd daemon determines the precision automatically at startup, so use this option when the xntpd daemon cannot determine the precision automatically.
broadcastdelay <i>Seconds</i>	Specifies the default delay to use when in broadcast or multicast modes. These modes require a special calibration to determine the network delay between the local and remote servers. Normally, this is done automatically by the initial protocol exchanges between the local and remote servers. In some cases, the calibration procedure may fail due to network or server access controls, for example. Typically for Ethernet, a number between 0.003 and 0.007 seconds is appropriate. The default is 0.004 seconds.
trap <i>HostAddress</i> [port <i>Number</i>] [interface <i>Address</i>]	Configures a trap receiver at the given host address and port number for sending messages with the specified local interface address. If you do not specify the port number, the value defaults to 18447. If you do not specify the interface address, the value defaults to the source address of the local interface. Note: On a multihomed host, the interface used may vary from time to time with routing changes. Normally, the trap receiver logs event messages and other information from the server in a log file. While such monitor programs may also request their own trap dynamically, configuring a trap receiver ensures that when the server starts, no messages are lost.

Option

setvar *Variable* [**default**]

Description

Specifies to add an additional system variable. You can use these variables to distribute additional information such as the access policy. If **default** follows a variable of the form *Name=Value*, then the variable becomes part of the default system variables, as if you used the **ntp rv** command. These additional variables serve informational purposes only; they are not related to the protocol variables. The known protocol variables always override any variables defined with **setvar**.

There are three special variables that contain the names of all variables of the same group. The **sys_var_list** holds the names of all system variables, the **peer_var_list** holds the names of all peer variables, and the **clock_var_list** holds the names of the reference clock variables.

logconfig *Key*

Controls the amount of output written to syslog or the logfile. By default all output is turned on. You can prefix all *KeyWords* with = (equal), + (plus) and - (dash). You can control four classes of messages: sys, peer, clock, and sync. Within these classes, you can control four types of messages:

info

Outputs informational messages that control configuration information.

events

Outputs event messages that control logging of events (reachability, synchronization, alarm conditions).

status

Outputs statistical messages that describe mainly the synchronization status.

all

Outputs all messages having to do with the specified class and suppresses all other events and messages of the classes not specified.

You form the *Keyword* by concatenating the message class with the event class. To just list the synchronization state of **xntp** and the major system events, enter:

```
logconfig =syncstatus +sysevents
```

To list all clock information and synchronization information and have all other events and messages about peers, system events and so on suppressed, enter:

```
logconfig =syncall +clockall
```

Files

Item

/etc/ntp.conf

Description

Specifies the path to the file.

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ntp.conf4 File

Purpose

Controls the operation and behaviour of the Network Time Protocol (NTP) **ntpd** daemon.

Description

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peer address [options ...]
broadcast address [options ...]
manycastclient address [options ...]
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These four commands specify the time server name or address to be used and the mode in which to operate. The address can be either a DNS name or an IP address in dotted-quad notation. Additional information on association behavior can be found in the Association Management page.

Command	Description
server	For type s and r addresses (only), this command normally mobilizes a persistent client mode association with the specified remote server or local reference clock. If the preempt flag is specified, a peerutable association is mobilized instead. In client mode the client clock can synchronize to the remote server or local reference clock, but the remote server can never be synchronized to the client clock. This command should NOT be used for type b or m addresses.
peer	For type s addresses (only), this command mobilizes a persistent symmetric-active mode association with the specified remote peer. In this mode the local clock can be synchronized to the remote peer or the remote peer can be synchronized to the local clock. This is useful in a network of servers where, depending on various failure scenarios, either the local or remote peer may be the better source of time. This command should NOT be used for type b , m or r addresses.

Command	Description
broadcast	For type b and m addresses (only), this command mobilizes a persistent broadcast mode association. Multiple commands can be used to specify multiple local broadcast interfaces (subnets) and/or multiple multicast groups. Note that local broadcast messages go only to the interface associated with the subnet specified, but multicast messages go to all interfaces. In broadcast mode the local server sends periodic broadcast messages to a client population at the address specified, which is usually the broadcast address on (one of) the local network(s) or a multicast address assigned to NTP. The IANA has assigned the multicast group address IPv4 224.0.1.1 and IPv6 ff05::101 (site local) exclusively to NTP, but other nonconflicting addresses can be used to contain the messages within administrative boundaries. Ordinarily, this specification applies only to the local server operating as a sender; for operation as a broadcast client, see the broadcastclient or multicastclient commands below.
manycastclient	For type m addresses (only), this command mobilizes a preemptable manycast client mode association for the multicast group address specified. In this mode a specific address must be supplied which matches the address used on the manycastserver command for the designated manycast servers. The NTP multicast address 224.0.1.1 assigned by the IANA should NOT be used, unless specific means are taken to avoid spraying large areas of the Internet with these messages and causing a possibly massive implosion of replies at the sender. The manycastclient command specifies that the host is to operate in client mode with the remote servers that are discovered as the result of broadcast/multicast messages. The client broadcasts a request message to the group address associated with the specified address and specifically enabled servers respond to these messages. The client selects the servers providing the best time and continues as with the server command. The remaining servers are discarded.

Command options

Command	Options
autokey	All packets sent to and received from the server or peer are to include authentication fields encrypted using the autokey scheme described in the Authentication Options page. This option is valid with all commands.
burst	When the server is reachable, send a burst of eight packets instead of the usual one. The packet spacing is normally 2 s; however, the spacing between the first and second packets can be changed with the calldelay command to allow additional time for a modem or ISDN call to complete. This option is valid with only the server command and is a recommended option with this command when the maxpoll option is 11 or greater.
iburst	When the server is unreachable, send a burst of eight packets instead of the usual one. The packet spacing is normally 2 s; however, the spacing between the first and second packets can be changed with the calldelay command to allow additional time for a modem or ISDN call to complete. This option is valid with only the server command and is a recommended option with this command.
key key	All packets sent to and received from the server or peer are to include authentication fields encrypted using the specified key identifier with values from 1 to 65534, inclusive. The default is to include no encryption field. This option is valid with all commands.

Command	Options
minpoll minpollmaxpoll maxpoll	These options specify the minimum and maximum poll intervals for NTP messages, in seconds as a power of two. The maximum poll interval defaults to 10 (1,024 s), but can be increased by the maxpoll option to an upper limit of 17 (36.4 h). The minimum poll interval defaults to 6 (64 s), but can be decreased by the minpoll option to a lower limit of 4 (16s). These option are valid only with the server and peer commands.
noselect	Marks the server as unused, except for display purposes. The server is discarded by the selection algorithm. This option is valid only with the server and peer commands.
preempt	Specifies the association as preemptable rather than the default persistent. This option is valid only with the server command.
prefer	Marks the server as preferred. All other things being equal, this host will be chosen for synchronization among a set of correctly operating hosts. See the Mitigation Rules and the prefer Keyword page for further information. This option is valid only with the server and peer commands.
true	Force the association to assume truechimer status; that is, always survive the selection and clustering algorithms. This option can be used with any association, but is most useful for reference clocks with large jitter on the serial port and precision pulse-per-second (PPS) signals. Note: This option defeats the algorithms designed to cast out falsetickers and can allow these sources to set the system clock. This option is valid only with the server and peer commands.
ttl ttl	This option is used only with broadcast server and multicast client modes. It specifies the time-to-live ttl to use on broadcast server and multicast server and the maximum ttl for the expanding ring search with multicast client packets. Selection of the proper value, which defaults to 127, is something of a black art and should be coordinated with the network administrator.
version version	Specifies the version number to be used for outgoing NTP packets. Versions 1-4 are the choices, with version 4 the default. This option is valid only with the server, peer and broadcast commands.

Auxiliary Commands

Command	Decription
broadcastclient [novolley]	<p>This command enables reception of broadcast server messages to any local interface (type b) address. Ordinarily, upon receiving a message for the first time, the broadcast client measures the nominal server propagation delay using a brief client/server exchange with the server, after which it continues in listen-only mode. If the novolley keyword is present, the exchange is not used and the value specified in the broadcastdelay command is used or, if the broadcastdelay command is not used, the default 4.0 ms.</p> <p>Note: In order to avoid accidental or malicious disruption in this mode, both the server and client should operate using symmetric key or public key authentication as described in the Authentication Options page. Note that the novolley keyword is incompatible with public key authentication.</p>

Command	Description
manycastserver address [...]	<p>This command enables reception of manycast client messages to the multicast group address(es) (type m) specified. At least one address is required. The NTP multicast address 224.0.1.1 assigned by the IANA should NOT be used, unless specific means are taken to limit the span of the reply and avoid a possibly massive implosion at the original sender.</p> <p>Note: In order to avoid accidental or malicious disruption in this mode, both the server and client should operate using symmetric key or public key authentication as described in the Authentication Options page.</p>
multicastclient address [...]	<p>This command enables reception of multicast server messages to the multicast group address(es) (type m) specified. Upon receiving a message for the first time, the multicast client measures the nominal server propagation delay using a brief client/server exchange with the server, then enters the broadcast client mode, in which it synchronizes to succeeding multicast messages.</p> <p>Note: In order to avoid accidental or malicious disruption in this mode, both the server and client should operate using symmetric key or public key authentication.</p> <p>Note that,</p>

Configuration access control options

The ntpd daemon implements a general purpose address/mask based restriction list. The list contains address/match entries sorted first by increasing address values and then by increasing mask values. A match occurs when the bitwise AND of the mask and the packet source address is equal to the bitwise AND of the mask and address in the list. The list is searched in order with the last match found defining the restriction flags associated with the entry.

While this facility may be useful for keeping unwanted or broken or malicious clients from congesting innocent servers, it should not be considered an alternative to the NTP authentication facilities. Source address based restrictions are easily circumvented by a determined cracker.

Clients can be denied service because they are explicitly included in the restrict list created by the restrict command or implicitly as the result of cryptographic or rate limit violations. Cryptographic violations include certificate or identity verification failure; rate limit violations generally result from defective NTP implementations that send packets at abusive rates. Some violations cause denied service only for the offending packet, others cause denied service for a timed period and others cause the denied service for an indefinite period. When a client or network is denied access for an indefinite period, the only way at present to remove the restrictions is by restarting the server.

Command	Description
discard [average avg][minimum min] [monitor prob]	<p>Set the parameters of the limited facility which protects the server from client abuse. The average subcommand specifies the minimum average packet spacing, while the minimum subcommand specifies the minimum packet spacing. Packets that violate these minima are discarded and a kiss-o'-death packet returned if enabled. The default minimum average and minimum are 5 and 2, respectively. The monitor subcommand specifies the probability of discard for packets that overflow the rate-control window.</p>
restrict address [mask mask] [flag][...]	<p>The address argument expressed in dotted-quad form is the address of a host or network. Alternatively, the address argument can be a valid host DNS name. The mask argument expressed in dotted-quad form defaults to 255.255.255.255, meaning that the address is treated as the address of an individual host. A default entry (address 0.0.0.0, mask 0.0.0.0) is always included and is always the first entry in the list. Note that text string default, with no mask option, may be used to indicate the default entry.</p>

In the current implementation, flag always restricts access, therefore, an entry with no flags indicates that free access to the server is to be given. The flags are not orthogonal, in that more restrictive flags will often make less restrictive ones redundant. The flags can generally be classed into two categories, those which restrict time service and those which restrict informational queries and attempts to do run-time reconfiguration of the server. One or more of the following flags may be specified:

Flags	Description
ignore	Deny packets of all kinds, including ntpq and ntpd queries.
kod	If this flag is set when an access violation occurs, a kiss-o'-death (KoD) packet is sent. KoD packets are rate limited to no more than one per second. If another KoD packet occurs within one second after the last one, the packet is dropped.
limited	Deny service if the packet spacing violates the lower limits specified in the discard command. A history of clients is kept using the monitoring capability of the ntpd command. Monitoring is always active as long as there is a restriction entry with the limited flag.
lowpriotrap	Declare traps set by matching hosts to be low priority. The number of traps a server can maintain is limited (the current limit is 3). Traps are usually assigned on a first come, first served basis, with later trap requestors being denied service. This flag modifies the assignment algorithm by allowing low priority traps to be overridden by later requests for normal priority traps.
nomodify	Deny ntpq and ntpd queries which attempt to modify the state of the server (i.e., run time reconfiguration). Queries which return information are permitted.
noquery	Deny ntpq and ntpd queries. Time service is not affected.
nopeer	Deny packets which would result in mobilizing a new association. This includes broadcast, symmetric-active and manycast client packets when a configured association does not exist.
noserve	Deny all packets except ntpq and ntpd queries.
notrap	Decline to provide mode 6 control message trap service to matching hosts. The trap service is a subsystem of the ntpdq control message protocol which is intended for use by remote event logging programs.
notrust	Deny packets unless the packet is cryptographically authenticated.
ntpport	This is actually a match algorithm modifier, rather than a restriction flag. Its presence causes the restriction entry to be matched only if the source port in the packet is the standard NTP UDP port (123). Both ntpport and non-ntpport may be specified. The ntpport is considered more specific and is sorted later in the list.
version	Deny packets that do not match the current NTP version.

Default restriction list entries with the flags ignore, interface, **ntpport**, for each of the local host's interface addresses are inserted into the table at startup to prevent the server from attempting to synchronize to its own time. A default entry is also always present, though if it is otherwise unconfigured; no flags are associated with the default entry (i.e., everything besides your own NTP server is unrestricted).

Configuration authentication options

Authentication support allows the NTP client to verify that the server is in fact known and trusted and not an intruder intending accidentally or on purpose to masquerade as that server. The NTPv3 specification RFC-1305 defines a scheme which provides cryptographic authentication of received NTP packets. Originally, this was done using the Data Encryption Standard (DES) algorithm operating in Cipher Block Chaining (CBC) mode, commonly called DES-CBC. Subsequently, this was replaced by the RSA Message Digest 5 (MD5) algorithm using a private key, commonly called keyed-MD5. Either algorithm computes a

message digest, or one-way hash, which can be used to verify the server has the correct private key and key identifier.

NTPv4 retains the NTPv3 scheme, properly described as symmetric key cryptography, and, in addition, provides a new Autokey scheme based on public key cryptography. Public key cryptography is generally considered more secure than symmetric key cryptography, since the security is based on a private value which is generated by each host and never revealed. With the exception of the group key described later, all key distribution and management functions involve only public values, which considerably simplifies key distribution and storage. Public key management is based on X.509 certificates, which can be provided by commercial services or produced by utility programs in the OpenSSL software library or the NTPv4 distribution.

Commands	Description
autokey [logsec]	Specifies the interval between regenerations of the session key list used with the Autokey protocol. Note that the size of the key list for each association depends on this interval and the current poll interval. The default value is 12 (4096 s or about 1.1 hours). For poll intervals above the specified interval, a session key list with a single entry will be regenerated for every message sent.
controlkey key	Specifies the key identifier to use with the ntpq utility, which uses the standard protocol defined in RFC-1305. The key argument is the key identifier for a trusted key, where the value can be in the range 1 to 65,534, inclusive.
crypto [cert file] [leap file] [randfile file] [host file] [sign file] [ident scheme] [iffpar file] [gqpar file] [mvpar file] [pw password]	This command requires the OpenSSL library. It activates public key cryptography, selects the message digest and signature encryption scheme and loads the required private and public values described above. If one or more files are left unspecified, the default names are used as described above. Unless the complete path and name of the file are specified, the location of a file is relative to the keys directory specified in the keysdir command or default /usr/local/ etc.

Following are the sub commands.

Subcommands	Description
<i>cert file</i>	Specifies the location of the required host public certificate file. This overrides the link ntpkey_cert_hostname in the keys directory.
<i>gqpar file</i>	Specifies the location of the client GQ parameters file. This overrides the link ntpkey_gq_hostname in the keys directory.
<i>host file</i>	Specifies the location of the required host key file. This overrides the link ntpkey_key_hostname in the keys directory.
<i>ident scheme</i>	Requests the server identity scheme, which can be IFF, GQ or MV. This is used when the host will not be a server for a dependent client.
<i>iffpar file</i>	Specifies the location of the optional IFF parameters file. This overrides the link ntpkey_iff_hostname in the keys directory.
<i>leap file</i>	Specifies the location of the client leapsecond file. This overrides the link ntpkey_leap in the keys directory.
<i>mv</i>	Requests the MV server identity scheme.
<i>mvpar file</i>	Specifies the location of the client MV parameters file. This overrides the link ntpkey_mv_hostname in the keys directory.
<i>pw password</i>	Specifies the password to decrypt files containing private keys and identity parameters. This is required only if these files have been encrypted.
<i>randfile file</i>	Specifies the location of the random seed file used by the OpenSSL library. The defaults are described in the main text above.
<i>sign file</i>	Specifies the location of the optional sign key file. This overrides the link ntpkey_sign_hostname in the keys directory. If this file is not found, the host key is also the sign key.
<i>keys keyfile</i>	Specifies the complete path and location of the MD5 key file containing the keys and key identifiers used by ntpd , ntpq and ntpdcc when operating with symmetric key cryptography. This is the same operation as the -k command line option.

Subcommands	Description
<i>keysdir path</i>	This command specifies the default directory path for cryptographic keys, parameters and certificates. The default is /usr/local/etc/ .
<i>requestkey key</i>	Specifies the key identifier to use with the ntpd utility program, which uses a proprietary protocol specific to this implementation of ntpd. The key argument is a key identifier for the trusted key, where the value can be in the range 1 to 65,534, inclusive.
<i>revoke [logsec]</i>	Specifies the interval between re-randomization of certain cryptographic values used by the Autokey scheme, as a power of 2 in seconds. These values need to be updated frequently in order to deflect brute-force attacks on the algorithms of the scheme; however, updating some values is a relatively expensive operation. The default interval is 16 (65,536 s or about 18 hours). For poll intervals above the specified interval, the values will be updated for every message sent
<i>trustedkey key [...]</i>	Specifies the key identifiers which are trusted for the purposes of authenticating peers with symmetric key cryptography, as well as keys used by the ntpq and ntpd programs. The authentication procedures require that both the local and remote servers share the same key and key identifier for this purpose, although different keys can be used with different servers. The key arguments are 32-bit unsigned integers with values from 1 to 65,534.

Configuration monitoring options

ntpd includes a comprehensive monitoring facility suitable for continuous, long term recording of server and client timekeeping performance. See the statistics command below for a listing and example of each type of statistics currently supported. Statistic files are managed using file generation sets and scripts in the **./scripts** directory of this distribution. Using these facilities and UNIX cron jobs, the data can be automatically summarized and archived for retrospective analysis.

Commands	Description
statistics name [...]	Enables writing of statistics records. Currently, six kinds of namestatistics are supported.
clockstats	<p>Enables recording of clock driver statistics information. Each update received from a clock driver appends a line of the following form to the file generation set named clockstats:</p> <pre>49213 525.624 127.127.4.1 93 226 00:08:29.606 D</pre> <p>The first two fields show the date (Modified Julian Day) and time (seconds and fraction past UTC midnight). The next field shows the clock address in dotted-quad notation, The final field shows the last timecode received from the clock in decoded ASCII format, where meaningful. In some clock drivers a good deal of additional information can be gathered and displayed as well. See information specific to each clock for further details.</p>
cryptostats	<p>This option requires the OpenSSL cryptographic software library. It enables recording of cryptographic public key protocol information. Each message received by the protocol module appends a line of the following form to the file generation set named cryptostats:</p> <pre>49213 525.624 127.127.4.1 message</pre> <p>The first two fields show the date (Modified Julian Day) and time (seconds and fraction past UTC midnight). The next field shows the peer address in dotted-quad notation, The final message field includes the message type and certain ancillary information. See the Authentication Options page for further information.</p>

Commands	Description
loopstats	<p>Enables recording of loop filter statistics information. Each update of the local clock outputs a line of the following form to the file generation set named loopstats:</p> <pre>50935 75440.031 0.000006019 13.778190 0.000351733 0.0133806 6</pre> <p>The first two fields show the date (Modified Julian Day) and time (seconds and fraction past UTC midnight). The next five fields show time offset (seconds), frequency offset (parts per million - PPM), RMS jitter (seconds), Allan deviation (PPM) and clock discipline time constant.</p>
peerstats	<p>Enables recording of peer statistics information. This includes statistics records of all peers of a NTP server and of special signals, where present and configured. Each valid update appends a line of the following form to the current element of a file generation set named peerstats:</p> <pre>48773 10847.650 127.127.4.1 9714 -0.001605376 0.000000000 0.001424877 0.000958674</pre> <p>The first two fields show the date (Modified Julian Day) and time (seconds and fraction past UTC midnight). The next two fields show the peer address in dotted-quad notation and status, respectively. The status field is encoded in hex in the format described in Appendix B of the NTP specification RFC 1305. The final four fields show the offset, delay, dispersion and RMS jitter, all in seconds.</p>
rawstats	<p>Enables recording of raw-timestamp statistics information. This includes statistics records of all peers of a NTP server and of special signals, where present and configured. Each NTP message received from a peer or clock driver appends a line of the following form to the file generation set named rawstats:</p> <pre>50928 2132.543 128.4.1.1 128.4.1.20 3102453281.584327000 3102453281.58622800031 02453332.540806000 3102453332.541458000</pre> <p>The first two fields show the date (Modified Julian Day) and time (seconds and fraction past UTC midnight). The next two fields show the remote peer or clock address followed by the local address in dotted-quad notation, The final four fields show the originate, receive, transmit and final NTP timestamps in order. The timestamp values are as received and before processing by the various data smoothing and mitigation algorithms.</p>

Commands

Description

sysstats

Enables recording of ntpd statistics counters on a periodic basis. Each hour a line of the following form is appended to the file generation set named sysstats:

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50928 2132.543 36000 81965 0 9546 56 71793 512 540 10 147
```

The first two fields show the date (Modified Julian Day) and time (seconds and fraction past UTC midnight). The remaining ten fields show the statistics counter values accumulated since the last generated line.

Time since restart 36000
Time in hours since the system was last rebooted.
Packets received 81965
Total number of packets received.
Packets processed 0
Number of packets received in response to previous
packets sent
Current version 9546
Number of packets matching the current NTP version.
Previous version 56
Number of packets matching the previous NTP
version.
Bad version 71793
Number of packets matching neither NTP version.
Access denied 512
Number of packets denied access for any reason.
Bad length or format 540
Number of packets with invalid length, format or
port number.
Bad authentication 10
Number of packets not verified as authentic.
Rate exceeded 147
Number of packets discarded due to rate limitation.

timingstats

ONLY available when the deamon is compiled with process time debugging support (--enable-debug-timing - costs performance). Enables recording of ntpd processing time information for various selected code paths:

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53876 36.920 10.0.3.5 1 0.000014592 input processing delay
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The first two fields show the date (Modified Julian Day) and time (seconds and fraction past UTC midnight). The next field is a potential peer address, - or - REFCLOCK- depending on the associated io source. Then an event count for the number of processed events in the code path follows. The fifth field is the total time spend for the events. The rest of the line denotes the code path description

statsdir directory_path .

statsdir
directory_path

Indicates the full path of a directory where statistics files should be created (see below). This keyword allows the (otherwise constant) filegen filename prefix to be modified for file generation sets, which is useful for handling statistics logs.

Commands

**filegen name [file
filename] [type
typename] [link |
nolink] [enable |
disable]**

Description

Configures setting of generation file set name. Generation file sets provide a means for handling files that are continuously growing during the lifetime of a server. Server statistics are a typical example for such files. Generation file sets provide access to a set of files used to store the actual data. At any time at most one element of the set is being written to. The type given specifies when and how data will be directed to a new element of the set. This way, information stored in elements of a file set that are currently unused are available for administrative operations without the risk of disturbing the operation of ntpd. (Most important: they can be removed to free space for new data produced.)

Note: Note that this command can be sent from the ntpdc program running at a remote location.

name

This is the type of the statistics records, as shown in the statistics command.

file filename

This is the file name for the statistics records. Filenames of set members are built from three concatenated elements prefix, filename and suffix:

prefix

This is a constant filename path. It is not subject to modifications via the filegen option. It is defined by the server, usually specified as a compile-time constant. It may, however, be configurable for individual file generation sets via other commands. For example, the prefix used with **loopstats** and **peerstats** generation can be configured using the **statsdir** option explained above.

filename

This string is directly concatenated to the prefix mentioned above (no intervening / (slash)). This can be modified using the file argument to the filegen statement. No elements are allowed in this component to prevent file names referring to parts outside the file system hierarchy denoted by prefix.

suffix

This part reflects individual elements of a file set. It is generated according to the type of a file set.

type typename

A file generation set is characterized by its type. The following types are supported:

none

The file set is actually a single plain file.

pid

One element of file set is used per incarnation of a ntpd server. This type does not perform any changes to file set members during runtime, however it provides an easy way of separating files belonging to different ntpd server incarnations. The set member file name is built by appending a . (dot) to concatenated prefix and filename strings, and appending the decimal representation of the process ID of the ntpd server process

day

One file generation set element is created per day. A day is defined as the period between 00:00 and 24:00 UTC. The file set member suffix consists of a . (dot) and a day specification in the form YYYYMMdd. YYYY is a 4-digit year number (e.g., 1992). MM is a two-digit month number. dd is a two-digit day number. Thus, all information written at 10 December 1992 would end up in a file named prefix filename.19921210

Commands

**filegen name [file
filename] [type
typename] [link |
nolink] [enable |
disable]**

Description

week

Any file set member contains data related to a certain week of a year. The term week is defined by computing day-of-year modulo 7. Elements of such a file generation set are distinguished by appending the following suffix to the file set file name base: A dot, a 4-digit year number, the letter W, and a 2-digit week number. For example, information from January, 10th 1992 would end up in a file with suffix 1992W1.

month

One generation file set element is generated per month. The file name suffix consists of a dot, a 4-digit year number, and a 2-digit month.

year

One generation file element is generated per year. The filename suffix consists of a dot and a 4 digit year number.

age

This type of file generation sets changes to a new element of the file set every 24 hours of server operation. The filename suffix consists of a dot, the letter a, and an 8-digit number. This number is taken to be the number of seconds the server is running at the start of the corresponding 24-hour period. Information is only written to a file generation by specifying enable; output is prevented by specifying disable.

link | nolink

It is convenient to be able to access the current element of a file generation set by a fixed name. This feature is enabled by specifying link and disabled using nolink. If link is specified, a hard link from the current file set element to a file without suffix is created. When there is already a file with this name and the number of links of this file is one, it is renamed appending a dot, the letter C, and the pid of the ntpd server process. When the number of links is greater than one, the file is unlinked. This allows the current file to be accessed by a constant name.

enable | disable

Enables or disables the recording function.

Miscellaneous configuration options

Commands

broadcastdelay seconds

Options

The broadcast and multicast modes require a special calibration to determine the network delay between the local and remote servers. Ordinarily, this is done automatically by the initial protocol exchanges between the client and server. In some cases, the calibration procedure may fail due to network or server access controls, for example. This command specifies the default delay to be used under these circumstances. Typically (for Ethernet), a number between 0.003 and 0.007 seconds is appropriate. The default when this command is not used is 0.004 seconds.

calldelay delay

This option controls the delay in seconds between the first and second packets sent in burst or iburst mode to allow additional time for a modem or ISDN call to complete.

Commands

**driftfile driftfile [minutes
[tolerance]]**

Options

This command specifies the complete path and name of the file used to record the frequency of the local clock oscillator. This is the same operation as the **-f** command line **e** option. If the file exists, it is read at startup in order to set the initial frequency and then updated once per hour with the current frequency computed by the daemon. If the file name is specified, but the file itself does not exist, the starts with an initial frequency of zero and creates the file when writing it for the first time. If this command is not given, the daemon will always start with an initial frequency of zero.

The file format consists of a single line containing a single floating point number, which records the frequency offset measured in parts-per-million (PPM). The file is updated by first writing the current drift value into a temporary file and then renaming this file to replace the old version. This implies that ntpd must have write permission for the directory the drift file is located in, and that file system links, symbolic or otherwise, should be avoided.

The two optional values determine how often the file is written, and are particularly useful when it is desirable to avoid spinning up the disk unnecessarily. The parameter minutes is how often the file will be written. If omitted or less than 1, the interval will be 60 minutes (one hour). The parameter tolerance is the threshold to skip writing the new value. If the new value is within tolerance percent of the last value written (compared out to 3 decimal places), the write will be skipped. The default is 0.0, which means that the write will occur unless the current and previous values are the same. A tolerance of .1 equates roughly to a difference in the 2nd decimal place.

**enable [auth | bclient |
calibrate | kernel | monitor
| ntp | pps | stats disable
[auth | bclient | calibrate |
kernel | monitor | ntp | pps
| stats]**

Provides a way to enable or disable various system options. Flags not mentioned are unaffected. Note that all of these flags can be controlled remotely using the ntpdc utility program.

auth

Enables the server to synchronize with unconfigured peers only if the peer has been correctly authenticated using either public key or private key cryptography. The default for this flag is enable

bclient

Enables the server to listen for a message from a broadcast or multicast server, as in the multicastclient command with default address. The default for this flag is disable.

calibrate

Enables the calibrate feature for reference clocks. The default for this flag is disable.

kernel

Enables the kernel time discipline, if available. The default for this flag is enable if support is available, otherwise disable.

monitor

Enables the monitoring facility. See the ntpdc program and the **monlist** command for further information. The default for this flag is enable

ntp

Enables time and frequency discipline. In effect, this switch opens and closes the feedback loop, which is useful for testing. The default for this flag is enable.

pps

Enables the pulse-per-second (PPS) signal when frequency and time is disciplined by the precision time kernel modifications. The default for this flag is disable.

stats

Enables the statistics facility. The default for this flag is disable

includefile includefile

This command allows additional configuration commands to be included from a separate file. Include files may be nested to a depth of five; upon reaching the end of any include file, command processing resumes in the previous configuration file. This option is useful for sites that run ntpd on multiple hosts, with (mostly) common options (e.g., a restriction list).

Commands

Options

logconfig configkeyword

This command controls the amount and type of output written to the system syslog facility or the alternate logfile log file. All configkeyword keywords can be prefixed with =, + and -, where = sets the syslogmask, + adds and - removes messages. syslog messages can be controlled in four classes (clock, peer, sys and sync). Within these classes four types of messages can be controlled: informational messages (info), event messages (events), statistics messages (statistics) and status messages (status). Configuration keywords are formed by concatenating the message class with the event class. The all prefix can be used instead of a message class. A message class may also be followed by the all keyword to enable/disable all messages of the respective message class. By default, logconfig output is set to allsync. Thus, a minimal log configuration could look like this:

```
logconfig=syncstatus +sysevents
```

This would just list the synchronizations state of ntpd and the major system events. For a simple reference server, the following minimum message configuration could be useful:

```
logconfig=allsync +allclock
```

This configuration will list all clock information and synchronization information. All other events and messages about peers, system events and so on is suppressed.

logfile logfile

This command specifies the location of an alternate log file to be used instead of the default system syslog facility. This is the same operation as the -l command line option.

phone dial1 dial2 ...

This command is used in conjunction with the ACTS modem driver (type 18). The arguments consist of a maximum of 10 telephone numbers used to dial USNO, NIST or European time services. The Hayes command ATDT is normally prepended to the number, which can contain other modem control codes as well.

setvar variable [default]

This command adds an additional system variable. These variables can be used to distribute additional information such as the access policy. If the variable of the form name = value is followed by the default keyword, the variable will be listed as part of the default system variables (ntpq rv command). These additional variables serve informational purposes only. They are not related to the protocol other than they can be listed. The known protocol variables will always override any variables defined via the setvar mechanism. There are three special variables that contain the names of all variable of the same group. The sys_var_list holds the names of all system variables. The peer_var_list holds the names of all peer variables and the clock_var_list holds the names of the reference clock variables.

Commands

**tinker [allan allan |
dispersion dispersion |
freq freq | huffpuff
huffpuff | panic panic |
step step | stepout
stepout]**

Options

This command can be used to alter several system variables in very exceptional circumstances. It should occur in the configuration file before any other configuration options. The default values of these variables have been carefully optimized for a wide range of network speeds and reliability expectations. In general, they interact in intricate ways that are hard to predict and some combinations can result in some very nasty behavior. Very rarely is it necessary to change the default values; but, some folks can't resist twisting the knobs anyway and this command is for them. Emphasis added: twisters are on their own and can expect no help from the support group. The variables operate as follows:

allan allan

The argument becomes the new value for the Allan intercept, which is a parameter of the PLL/FLL clock discipline algorithm. The value is in seconds with default 1500 s, which is appropriate for most computer clocks.

dispersion dispersion

The argument becomes the new value for the Allan intercept, which is a parameter of the PLL/FLL clock discipline algorithm. The value is in seconds with default 1500 s, which is appropriate for most computer clocks.

freq freq

The argument becomes the initial value of the frequency offset in parts-per-million. This overrides the value in the frequency file, if present, and avoids the initial training state if it is not.

huffpuff huffpuff

The argument becomes the new value for the experimental huff-n'-puff filter span, which determines the most recent interval the algorithm will search for a minimum delay. The lower limit is 900 s (15 m), but a more reasonable value is 7200 (2 hours). There is no default, since the filter is not enabled unless this command is given.

panic panic

The argument is the panic threshold, by default 1000 s. If set to zero, the panic sanity check is disabled and a clock offset of any value will be accepted

step step

The argument is the step threshold, by default 0.128 s. It can be set to any positive number in seconds. If set to zero, step adjustments will never occur.

Note: The kernel time discipline is disabled if the step threshold is set to zero or greater than the default.

stepout stepout

The argument is the stepout timeout, by default 900 s. It can be set to any positive number in seconds. If set to zero, the stepout pulses will not be suppressed.

trap host_address [port port_number] [interface interface_address]

This command configures a trap receiver at the given host address and port number for sending messages with the specified local interface address. If the port number is unspecified, a value of 18447 is used. If the interface address is not specified, the message is sent with a source address of the local interface the message is sent through. Note that on a multihomed host the interface used may vary from time to time with routing changes. The trap receiver will generally log event messages and other information from the server in a log file. While such monitor programs may also request their own trap dynamically, configuring a trap receiver will ensure that no messages are lost when the server is started.

ttn hop ...

This command specifies a list of TTL values in increasing order. up to 8 values can be specified. In manycast mode these values are used in turn in an expanding-ring search. The default is eight multiples of 32 starting at 31.

Files

/etc/ntp.conf

Specifies the path to the file.

Related information

[ntpdc4 command](#)

[ntpd4 command](#)

Network Time Protocol (NTP)

Description

NTP version 4 is compliant to RFC 2030 (Simple Network Time Protocol). It is available from AIX 6.1.

The Network Time Protocol (NTP) is widely used to synchronize a computer to Internet time servers or other sources, such as a radio or satellite receiver or telephone modem service. It provides accuracies typically less than a millisecond on LANs and up to a few milliseconds on WANs. Typical NTP configurations utilize multiple redundant servers and diverse network paths in order to achieve high accuracy and reliability.

NTP time synchronization services are widely available in the public Internet. The public NTP subnet in early 2008 includes several thousand servers in most countries and on every continent of the globe, including Antarctica. These servers support a total population estimated at over 25 million computers in the global Internet.

The NTP subnet operates with a hierarchy of levels, where each level is assigned a number called the stratum. Stratum 1 (primary) servers at the lowest level are directly synchronized to national time services. Stratum 2 (secondary) servers at the next higher level are synchronize to stratum 1 servers, and so on. Normally, NTP clients and servers with a relatively small number of clients do not synchronize to public primary servers. There are several hundred public secondary servers operating at higher strata and are the preferred choice.

NTPv3 and NTPv4 binaries coexist on AIX.

Important: By default, AIX points to NTP version 3 binaries.

NTP binaries directory mapping on AIX:

NTPv4 Binaries /usr/ sbin/ntp4	NTPv3 Binaries /usr/ sbin/ntp3	Default Symbolic link to NTP version 3 binaries from /usr/ sbin directory
ntpd4	xntpd	/usr/sbin/xntpd-->/usr/sbin/ntp3/xntpd
ntpdate4	ntpdate	/usr/sbin/ntpdate-->/usr/sbin/ntp3/ntpdate
ntpdcc4	xntpdcc	/usr/sbin/ntpdcc-->/usr/sbin/ntp3/xntpdcc
ntpqq4	ntpq	/usr/sbin/ntpq-->/usr/sbin/ntp3/ntpq
ntp-keygen4	Not Available	/usr/sbin/ntp-keygen-->/usr/sbin/ntp4/ntp-keygen4
ntptrace4	ntptrace	/usr/sbin/ntptrace-->/usr/sbin/ntp3/ntptrace
sntp4	sntp	/usr/sbin/sntp-->/usr/sbin/ntp3/sntp

Note: 1 ntp-keygen is a new binary file in NTP version 4, it is not present in NTP version 3. So, the symbolic link needs to be created under **/usr/sbin** directory, pointing to ntp4 binary (**/usr/sbin/ntp4/ntp-keygen4**). **ntptrace** file is a binary file in NTP version 3, but it is a perl script in NTP version 4.

Related information

[ntpq4 command](#)

[sntp4 command](#)

[xntpdcc command](#)

ntp.keys File

Purpose

Contains key identifiers and keys controlling authentication of Network Time Protocol (NTP) transactions.

Description

The **ntp.keys** file contains key identifiers and keys for encryption and decryption of authentication of NTP transactions.

Authentication Key File Format

The NTP standard specifies an extension allowing verification of the authenticity of received NTP packets, and to provide an indication of authenticity in outgoing packets. The **xntpd** daemon implements this by using the MD5 algorithm to compute a message-digest. The specification allows any one of possibly 4 billion keys, numbered with 32 bit key identifiers, to be used to authenticate an association. The servers involved in an association must agree on the key and key identifier used to authenticate their data, although they must each learn the key and key identifier independently.

The **xntpd** daemon reads its keys from a file specified with the **-k** flag or the **keys** statement in the configuration file. You cannot change key number 0 because the NTP standard fixes it as 64 zero bits.

The **ntp.keys** file uses the same comment conventions as the configuration file, **ntp.conf**. Key entries use the following format:

KeyNumber M Key

where,

Entry	Description
<i>KeyNumber</i>	A positive integer
M	Specifies that <i>Key</i> is a 1-to-8 character ASCII string, using the MD5 authentication scheme.
<i>Key</i>	The key itself.

One of the keys may be chosen, by way of the **ntp.conf** configuration file **requestkey** statement, to authenticate run-time configuration requests made using the **xntpd** command. The **xntpd** command obtains the key from the terminal as a password, so it is generally appropriate to specify the key in ASCII format.

Files

Item	Description
/etc/ntp.keys	Specifies the path to the file.

Related reference

[ntp.conf File](#)

Related information

[xntpd command](#)

[xntpd command](#)

objects File

Purpose

Contains the audit events for audited objects (files).

Description

The **/etc/security/audit/objects** file is an ASCII stanza file that contains information about audited objects (files). This file contains one stanza for each audited file. The stanza has a name equal to the path name of the file.

Each file attribute has the following format:

```
access_mode = "audit_event "
```

An audit-event name can be up to 15 bytes long; longer names are rejected. Valid access modes are read (r), write (w), and execute (x) modes. For directories, search mode is substituted for execute mode.

The objects (files) in the **/etc/security/audit/objects** file cannot be symbolic links.

If you are using bin mode auditing, the objects designated as **bin1** and **bin2** in the **/etc/security/audit/config** file cannot be listed in the **/etc/security/audit/objects** file.

Note: The audited object files do not need to exist once the auditing starts. However, to successfully start auditing, ensure that the parent directories of the object files exist. The **audit start** command does not fail when the parent directory does not exist, but the affected files are not audited even if they are created later.

Security

Access Control: This file should grant read (r) access to the root user and members of the audit group and grant write (w) access only to the root user.

Examples

1. To define the audit events for the **/etc/security/passwd** file, add a stanza to the **/etc/security/audit/objects** file. For example:

```
/etc/security/passwd:  
r = "S_PASSWD_READ"  
w = "S_PASSWD_WRITE"
```

These attributes generate a S_PASSWD_READ audit event each time the **passwd** file is read, and a S_PASSWD_WRITE audit event each time the file is opened for writing.

2. To define the audit events for the **/wpar1/etc/security/passwd** file, add a stanza to the **/etc/security/audit/objects** file in the AIX system that is hosting the WPAR. For example:

```
/wpar1/etc/security/passwd:  
r = "WPAR1_PASSWD_RD"  
w = "WPAR1_PASSWD_WR"
```

This stanza is parsed at **audit start -@ <wpar1>** time to enable object auditing for the **/etc/security/passwd** object of wpar1. These attributes generate a WPAR1_PASSWD_RD audit event each time the **/wpar1/etc/security/passwd** file is read, and generate a WPAR1_PASSWD_WR audit event each time the file is opened for writing.

Files

Item	Description
<u>/etc/security/audit/objects</u>	Specifies the path to the file.
<u>/etc/security/audit/config</u>	Contains audit system configuration information.
<u>/etc/security/audit/events</u>	Contains the audit events of the system.
<u>/etc/security/audit/bincmds</u>	Contains auditbin backend commands.
<u>/etc/security/audit/streamcmds</u>	Contains auditstream commands.

Related information

[audit command](#)

[auditobj command](#)

[Setting Up Auditing](#)

pam_aix Module

Purpose

Provides AIX style authentication, account management, password management, and session management for PAM.

Description

The `pam_aix` module provides AIX style authentication behaviors to PAM. The module has support for each of the PAM module types - authentication, account management, password management and session management. Each of these types provides full AIX support for users defined in local or remote registries.

Communication from the `pam_aix` module to the user is handled through the `PAM_CONV` item, which is set by `pam_start` or `pam_set_item`. All messages displayed by `pam_aix` are AIX messages and are internationalized.

Typical usage for the `pam_aix` module is to be used as a backup, or "other" service. This way if a specific authentication stack is not defined for a service, local AIX authentication is used. `pam_aix` should usually be a "required" or "requisite" module. If used for password authentication, `pam_aix` should be marked as being "required" or "requisite".

```
#
# Use AIX system authentication
#
OTHER auth      required pam_aix
OTHER account   required pam_aix
OTHER session   required pam_aix
OTHER password  required pam_aix
```



Attention:

- The **pam_aix** module cannot be used with users who have their `SYSTEM` or registry user attributes set to use the `/usr/lib/security/PAM` module. In such case, an authentication loop is created, and the operation fails.
- The authentication fails if the **pam_aix** module is called from a nonroot user, and the program does not have the `setuid` bit set.

Supported PAM module types

Authentication

Authenticates a user through their AIX password.

Account Management

Verifies that an authenticated user is permitted onto the system and checks for expired passwords. Checks are performed through use of the `passwdexpired()` and `loginrestrictions()` subroutines.

Session Management

Opens a new session and logs the session information.

Password Management

Allows a user to set or modify their AIX password if it is possible. `pam_aix` will then update the user's password entry in the appropriate password table. When `pam_aix` is used for password management, it should be used as "required" or "requisite".

Options

The `pam_aix` module accepts the following parameters specified as options in the PAM configuration file:

Item	Description
<code>debug</code>	Log debugging information to syslog.

Item	Description
<i>mode</i>	<p>Specifying the mode option for a service allows the login restrictions checks to be customized as needed for a PAM service. The value specified for <i>mode</i> can be one of the following strings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • S_DAEMON • S_LOGIN • S_RLOGIN • S_SU • S_DIST_CLNT • S_DIST_SERV <p>The checks performed by each mode are defined in the loginrestrictions subroutine man page. If the option is not specified, then a mode of 0 is passed into the subsequent loginrestrictions invocation. This option is only valid for the Authentication and Account Management module types.</p>
<i>nowarn</i>	Do not display warning messages.
<i>no_pwd_ck</i>	Do not check for password expiration.
<i>use_first_pass</i>	Use a previously entered password, do not prompt for a new one.
<i>try_first_pass</i>	Try a previously entered password. If it fails, prompt for a new one.
<i>use_new_state</i>	AIX builds and maintains state information when authenticating a user. By default, the <code>pam_aix</code> module will use the same state information throughout a PAM session. This can produce results that are correct in terms of AIX authentication but are unexpected within the PAM framework. For example, <code>pam_authenticate</code> requests may fail due to access restrictions. If this behavior is not desired for a given module type, specify the <i>use_new_state</i> option to use new state information for each invocation.

Return Values

Upon successful completion the `pam_aix` module returns `PAM_SUCCESS`. If a failure occurs a PAM error code will be returned, depending on the actual error.

Location

/usr/lib/security/pam_aix

/usr/lib/security/64

Related reference

[pam.conf File](#)

Related information

[loginrestrictions subroutine](#)

[Pluggable Authentication Modules](#)

pam_allow Module

Purpose

Returns `PAM_SUCCESS` for all PAM module types.

Description

The `pam_allow` module returns `PAM_SUCCESS` to all calling applications unless an invalid PAM handle is specified. Support for all four module types is provided.



Attention: This module should be used with caution and should often only be used for PAM debugging purposes. Placing this module in the PAM stack for a service could potentially grant access to all users.

Functionality opposite to that provided by `pam_allow` can be obtained through use of the `pam_prohibit` module.

Supported PAM module types

Authentication

Returns `PAM_SUCCESS` if valid PAM handle.

Account Management

Returns `PAM_SUCCESS` if valid PAM handle.

Session Management

Returns `PAM_SUCCESS` if valid PAM handle.

Password Management

Returns `PAM_SUCCESS` if valid PAM handle.

Options

The `pam_allow` module accepts the following parameters specified as options in the PAM configuration file:

Item	Description
<i>debug</i>	Log debugging information to syslog.
<i>nowarn</i>	Do not display warning messages.

Return Values

Upon successful completion the `pam_allow` module returns `PAM_SUCCESS`. If an invalid PAM handle was specified, `PAM_SYSTEM_ERR` is returned.

Location

`/usr/lib/security/pam_allow`

Related information

[pam_authenticate subroutine](#)

[pam_setcred subroutine](#)

pam_allowroot Module

Purpose

Returns `PAM_SUCCESS` if the authenticating user has a real user ID (UID) of 0.

Description

The `pam_allowroot` module checks the real user ID (UID) under which the PAM application was run. If the UID of the authenticating user is 0 (zero), then it is the root user and `PAM_SUCCESS` is returned.

The `pam_allowroot` module only checks the real user ID. Many applications that require root access will set the effective user ID to 0. For this reason, the effective ID is not used in determining whether or not the user executing the authenticating application is a root user.

It is recommended that `pam_allowroot` be used as sufficient in conjunction with other modules. This allows the root user to bypass the rest of the modules in the stack and for a failure not to impact the result of other authenticating users. An example authentication stack configuration is shown below which mimics the historic behavior of the `su` command.

```
#
# The PAM configuration for standard su behavior.
#
su auth sufficient /usr/lib/security/pam_allowroot
su auth required /usr/lib/security/pam_aix
```

Supported PAM module types

Authentication

Returns `PAM_SUCCESS` if UID of authenticating user is 0.

Account Management

Returns `PAM_SUCCESS` if UID of authenticating user is 0.

Options

The `pam_allowroot` module accepts the following parameters specified as options in the PAM configuration file:

Item	Description
<i>debug</i>	Log debugging information to <code>syslog</code> .
<i>nowarn</i>	Do not display warning messages.

Return Values

Upon successful completion, `PAM_SUCCESS` is returned. If a failure occurs, a PAM error code will be returned, depending on the actual error.

Location

`/usr/lib/security/pam_allowroot`

Related information

[pam_authenticate](#) subroutine

[Pluggable Authentication Modules](#)

pam_ckfile Module

Purpose

Denies all non-root user logins if `/etc/nologin` or an optionally specified file is present.

Description

The `pam_ckfile` module allows or denies authentication, based on the existence of a file. The file checked for existence can be set with the `file=<filename>` module option. If not specified the file defaults to `/etc/nologin`.

If the specified file exists, only root users (those with a user ID of 0) may authenticate. All other users are denied access for the service, and `pam_ckfile` will echo the contents (if any) of that file. If the specified file does not exist, the module returns `PAM_IGNORE`. System administrators should ensure that success or failure of the module stack for a service does not depend solely on the result of this module.

It is recommended that `pam_ckfile` is used as "required" or "requisite" in conjunction with other modules. An example authentication stack is provided below to demonstrate how `/etc/nologin` behavior with the login service can be implemented.

```
#
# Provide the standard /etc/nologin behavior for login.
#
login auth required /usr/lib/security/pam_ckfile file=/etc/nologin
login auth required /usr/lib/security/pam_aix
```

Supported PAM module types

Authentication

Denies non-root user authentication if the specified file is present.

Account Management

Denies account access for non-root users if the specified file is present.

Options

The `pam_allowroot` module accepts the following parameters specified as options in the PAM configuration file:

Item	Description
<i>debug</i>	Log debugging information to syslog.
<i>nowarn</i>	Do not display warning messages.
<i>file=<filename></i>	Use <filename> instead of <code>/etc/nologin</code> .
Note: <filename> must be the full path to the file.	

Return Values

Upon successful completion `PAM_SUCCESS` is returned. If the specified file does not exist the module returns `PAM_IGNORE`. If another failure occurs, a PAM error code will be returned, depending on the actual error.

Location

`/usr/lib/security/pam_ckfile`

Related reference

[pam.conf File](#)

Related information

[pam_acct_mgmt subroutine](#)

[Pluggable Authentication Modules](#)

pam_mkuserhome Module

Purpose

Creates a home directory automatically at user login.

Location

`/usr/lib/security`

`/usr/lib/security/64`

Description

The **pam_mkuserhome** module creates a home directory automatically at user login. This is an optional session module to be used with other PAM session modules, such as the **pam_aix** module.

The **pam_mkuserhome** module is installed in the **/usr/lib/security** directory. To use the **pam_mkuserhome** module, the **/etc/pam.conf** file must be configured. Stacking is still available but is not shown in the following example of the **/etc/pam.conf** file:

```
#
# Session management
#
telnet    auth    optional    pam_mkuserhome
```

Return Value

Item	Description
PAM_SUCCESS	The home directory already exists or the home directory is successfully created.
PAM_USER_UNKNOWN	The user does not exist.
PAM_SYSTEM_ERR	An error occurs.

Related information

[pam_aix module](#)

pam_permission Module

Purpose

Allows or prohibits authentication through a configurable file containing a list of users and/or groups.

Description

The **pam_permission** module is an authentication and account-service PAM module that uses an access-control list to determine whether or not to permit or deny authentication requests. The file to use for the control list is configured via a module option and defaults to **/etc/ftpusers** if not specified.

If the access-control file exists, the **pam_permission** module will scan the file using the authenticating user name and group(s). The first match will then be used to determine the result. The general syntax for an entry in the access-control file is as follows:

```
[+|-] [@]<name>
```

The optional first character controls whether to allow(+) or deny(-) the request for the user or group specified by <name>. If a '+' or '-' is not the first character in an entry, then the value of the **found=<action>** module option determines the behavior.

Preceding a name by the '@' symbol designates the entry as a group. Otherwise the entry is used as a user name. The first match found to a user name or group entry is used to determine access.

All spaces in an entry are ignored. Comments may be added to the file using the '#' character as the first character in the line. Only one entry or comment is allowed per line and the entries are processed one at a time, sequentially, starting at the top of the file.

Using the keyword "ALL" for <name> will match all users. Since the file is parsed sequentially, use of the "ALL" keyword should be reserved for the end of the file as any entries after it are ignored.

Upon reaching the end of the access-control file, if a match to a user name or group has not been made, the result will be the opposite value of the **found=<action>** module option. For example, if

found=prohibit is set and the user is not found within the file, then the result for that user would be allow.

If the specified access control file does not exist, the module will return PAM_IGNORE and have no affect on the module stack. It is not recommended that the overall success or failure of the module stack depend solely on pam_permission.

It is recommended that pam_permission is used as "required" or "requisite" in conjunction with other modules. An example authentication stack is provided below to demonstrate how /etc/ftpusers behavior with the ftp service can be implemented.

```
#
# Provide /etc/ftpusers access-control
# to PAM-enabled ftp.
#
ftp auth requisite /usr/lib/security/pam_permission
                  file=/etc/ftpusers found=prohibit
ftp auth required /usr/lib/security/pam_aix
```

Supported PAM module types

Authentication

Provides user authentication based on the contents of the access-control file.

Account Management

Provides account access and denial based upon the rules in the access-control file.

Options

The pam_permission module accepts the following parameters specified as options in the PAM configuration file:

Item	Description
debug	Log debugging information to syslog.
nowarn	Do not display warning messages.
file=<filename>	Use <filename> as access control file. Defaults to /etc/ftpusers.
found={allow prohibit}	Action if an entry match was found but is not preceded by a '+' or '-'. Default is prohibit.

Return Values

Upon successful completion PAM_SUCCESS is returned. If a failure occurs, a PAM error code will be returned, depending on the actual error.

Location

/usr/lib/security/pam_permission

Related reference

[pam.conf File](#)

Related information

[pam_authenticate subroutine](#)

[Pluggable Authentication Modules](#)

pam_prohibit Module

Purpose

Returns a value denoting a failure for each PAM module type.

Description

The `pam_prohibit` module returns a failure for all PAM module types. If used as a required or requisite module for a service, the stack that this module is incorporated into will always fail. It is recommended that individual services be explicitly configured in `/etc/pam.conf` and then the `pam_prohibit` module used for the OTHER service entries. Configuring the system in this way ensures that only known PAM enabled applications are capable of successfully authenticating users. Listed below is an example of how to configure the OTHER service keyword in `/etc/pam.conf` to use the `pam_prohibit` module:

```
#
# Fail for all PAM services not explicitly configured
#
OTHER auth      required /usr/lib/security/pam_prohibit
OTHER account   required /usr/lib/security/pam_prohibit
OTHER password  required /usr/lib/security/pam_prohibit
OTHER session   required /usr/lib/security/pam_prohibit
```

Functionality opposite to that provided by `pam_prohibit` can be obtained by using the `pam_allow` module.

Supported PAM module types

Authentication

`pam_sm_authenticate` returns `PAM_AUTH_ERR` `pam_sm_setcred` returns `PAM_CRED_ERR`

Account Management

`pam_sm_acct_mgmt` returns `PAM_ACCT_EXPIRED`

Session Management

`pam_sm_open_session` returns `PAM_SESSION_ERR`

Password Management

`pam_sm_chauthtok` returns `PAM_AUTHTOK_ERR`

Options

The `pam_prohibit` module accepts the following parameters specified as options in the PAM configuration file:

Item	Description
debug	Log debugging information to syslog.
nowarn	Do not display warning messages.

Return Values

The `pam_prohibit` module will never return `PAM_SUCCESS`. If an invalid PAM handle is found then `PAM_SYSTEM_ERR` is returned, otherwise the error code returned is PAM module type specific.

Location

`/usr/lib/security/pam_prohibit`

Related reference

[pam.conf File](#)

Related information

[pam_acct_mgmt subroutine](#)

[Pluggable Authentication Modules](#)

pam_rhosts_auth Module

Purpose

Provides rhosts-based authentication for PAM.

Description

The pam_rhosts_auth module provides rhost authentication services similar to the rlogin, rsh, and rcp commands. The module queries the PAM handle for the remote user name, remote host, and the local user name. This information is then compared to the rules in /etc/hosts.equiv and \$HOME/.rhosts.

For a typical user, the module first checks /etc/hosts.equiv. If a match is not found for the username and hostname, the module will continue on to check the \$HOME/.rhosts file. If a username and hostname match is still not found, the module returns the PAM_AUTH_ERR failure code. Otherwise, the result depends on the first rule found matching the specified username and hostname.

When authenticating to the root user (user with the UID of 0), the first check of the /etc/hosts.equiv file is skipped. Success of the rhosts authentication is based solely on the contents of the root user's \$HOME/.rhosts file.

This module requires that a PAM application, before making the call to pam_authenticate, call pam_set_item and at least set the values of PAM_RHOST and PAM_RUSER. If the PAM_USER item is not set, the module will prompt for the user name through the conversation function provided in the PAM handle.

Further description on how rhosts authentication works can be found in the documentation for the ruserok() subroutine. Information regarding the syntax of rhost configuration files can be found in the \$HOME/.rhosts or /etc/hosts.equiv files description.

For expected behavior, pam_rhosts_auth should be used as one of the first authentication modules in the stack and designated as sufficient.

```
#
# PAM authentication stack for typical rlogin behavior.
#
rlogin auth sufficient /usr/lib/security/pam_rhosts_auth
rlogin auth required /usr/lib/security/pam_aix
```

Supported PAM module types

Authentication

Authenticates a user through rhost-based authentication.

Options

The pam_rhosts_auth module accepts the following parameters specified as options in the PAM configuration file:

Item	Description
debug	Log debugging information to syslog.
nowarn	Do not display warning messages.

Return Values

Upon successful completion PAM_SUCCESS is returned. If a failure occurs, a PAM error code will be returned, depending on the actual error.

Location

/usr/lib/security/pam_rhosts_auth

Related reference

[hosts.equiv File Format for TCP/IP](#)

[.rhosts File Format for TCP/IP](#)

Related information

[rlogin Command](#)

[Pluggable Authentication Modules](#)

pam.conf File

Purpose

Contains service entries for each PAM (Pluggable Authentication Modules) module type.

Description

The `/etc/pam.conf` configuration file consists of service entries for each PAM module type and serves to route services through a defined module path. Entries in the file are composed of the following whitespace-delimited fields: `service_name` `module_type` `control_flag` `module_path` `module_options`

Item	Description
<i>service_name</i>	Specifies the name of the PAM enabled service. The keyword OTHER is used to define the default module to use for applications not specified in an entry.
<i>module_type</i>	Specifies the module type for the service. Valid module types are auth, account, session, or password. A given module will provide support for one or more module types.
<i>control_flag</i>	<p>Specifies the stacking behavior for the module. Supported control flags are required, requisite, sufficient, or optional.</p> <p>required All required modules in a stack must pass for a successful result. If one or more of the required modules fail, all of the required modules in the stack will be attempted, but the error from the first failed required module is returned.</p> <p>requisite Similar to required except that if a requisite module fails, no further modules in the stack are processed and it immediately returns the first failure code from a required or requisite module.</p> <p>sufficient If a module flagged as sufficient succeeds and no previous required modules have failed, all remaining modules in the stack are ignored and success is returned.</p> <p>optional If none of the modules in the stack are required and no sufficient modules have succeeded, then at least one optional module for the service must succeed. If another module in the stack is successful, a failure in an optional module is ignored.</p>
<i>module_path</i>	<p>Specifies the module to load for the service. Valid values for <i>module_path</i> may be specified as either the full path to the module or just the module name. If the full path to the module is not specified, the PAM library prepends /usr/lib/security (for 32-bit services) or /usr/lib/security/64 (for 64-bit services) to the module name.</p> <p>If the module path is specified as full path, then it directly uses for 32-bit services, for 64-bit services module path derived as <i>module_path/64/module_name</i>.</p>

Item	Description
<i>module_options</i>	Specifies a space delimited list of module specific options. Values for this field are dependent on the options supported by the module defined in the module_path field. This field is optional.

Malformed entries, or entries with invalid values for the module_type or control_flag fields are ignored by the PAM library. Entries beginning with a number sign (#) character at the beginning of the line are also ignored as this denotes a comment.

PAM supports a concept typically referred to as stacking, which allows multiple mechanisms to be used for each service. Stacking is implemented in the configuration file by creating multiple entries for a service with the same module_type field. The modules are invoked in the order in which they are listed in the file for a given service name, with the final result determined by the control_flag field specified for each entry.

The following /etc/pam.conf subset is an example of stacking in the auth module type for the login service.

```
#
# PAM configuration file /etc/pam.conf
#

# Authentication Management
login    auth    required    /usr/lib/security/pam_ckfile    file=/etc/nologin
login    auth    required    /usr/lib/security/pam_aix
login    auth    optional    /usr/lib/security/pam_test    use_first_pass
OTHER    auth    required    /usr/lib/security/pam_prohibit
```

The example configuration file contains three entries for the login service. Having specified both pam_ckfile and pam_aix as required, both modules will be executed and both must be successful for the overall result to be success. The third entry for the fictitious pam_test module is optional and its success or failure will not affect whether the user is able to login. The option use_first_pass to the pam_test module requires that a previously entered password be used instead of prompting for a new one.

Use of the OTHER keyword as a service name enables a default to be set for any other services that are not explicitly declared in the configuration file. Setting up a default ensures that all cases for a given module type will be covered by at least one module. In the case of this example, all services other than login will always fail since the pam_prohibit module returns a PAM failure for all invocations.

Changing the /etc/pam.conf File

When changing the /etc/pam.conf configuration file, consider the following:

- The file should always be owned by the root user and group security. Permission on the file should be set to 644 to allow everyone read access, but only allow root to modify it.
- For greater security, consider explicitly configuring each PAM enabled service and then using the pam_prohibit module for the OTHER service keyword.
- Read any documentation supplied for a chosen module and service, and determine which control flags, options and module types are supported and what their impact will be.
- Select the ordering of modules and control flags carefully, keeping in mind the behavior of required, requisite, sufficient, and optional control flags in stacked modules.

Note: Incorrect configuration of the PAM configuration file can result in a system that cannot be logged in to since the configuration applies to all users, including root. After making changes to the file, always test the affected applications before logging out of the system. A system that cannot be logged in to can be recovered by booting the system in maintenance mode and correcting the /etc/pam.conf configuration file.

Files

Item	Description
<code>/etc/pam.conf</code>	Location of the <code>pam.conf</code> configuration file.

Related reference

[pam_aix Module](#)

[pam_ckfile Module](#)

[pam_permission Module](#)

[pam_prohibit Module](#)

/etc/passwd File

Purpose

Contains basic user attributes.

Description

The **/etc/passwd** file contains basic user attributes. This is an ASCII file that contains an entry for each user. Each entry defines the basic attributes applied to a user. When you use the **mkuser** command to add a user to your system, the command updates the **/etc/passwd** file.

Note: Certain system-defined group and user names are required for proper installation and update of the system software. Use care before replacing this file to ensure that no system-supplied groups or users are removed.

An entry in the **/etc/passwd** file has the following form:

Name:Password:UserID:PrincipleGroup:Gecos:HomeDirectory:Shell

Attributes in an entry are separated by a : (colon). For this reason, you should not use a : (colon) in any attribute. The attributes are defined as follows:

Attribute	Definition
<i>Name</i>	Specifies the user's login name. There are a number of restrictions on naming users. See the mkuser command for more information.
<i>Password</i>	Contains an * (asterisk) indicating an invalid password or an ! (exclamation point) indicating that the password is in the /etc/security/passwd file. Under normal conditions, the field contains an !. If the field has an * and a password is required for user authentication, the user cannot log in.
<i>UserID</i>	Specifies the user's unique numeric ID. This ID is used for discretionary access control. The value is a unique decimal integer.
<i>PrincipleGroup</i>	Specifies the user's principal group ID. This must be the numeric ID of a group in the user database or a group defined by a network information service. The value is a unique decimal integer.
<i>Gecos</i>	Specifies general information about the user that is not needed by the system, such as an office or phone number. The value is a character string. The <i>Gecos</i> field cannot contain a colon.
<i>HomeDirectory</i>	Specifies the full path name of the user's home directory. If the user does not have a defined home directory, the home directory of the guest user is used. The value is a character string.

Attribute	Definition
<i>Shell</i>	Specifies the initial program or shell that is executed after a user invokes the login command or su command. If a user does not have a defined shell, /usr/bin/sh , the system shell, is used. The value is a character string that may contain arguments to pass to the initial program.

Users can have additional attributes in other system files. See the "[Files](#)" section for additional information.

Changing the User File

You should access the user database files through the system commands and subroutines defined for this purpose. Access through other commands or subroutines may not be supported in future releases. Use the following commands to access user database files:

- **chfn**
- **chsh**
- **chuser**
- **lsuser**
- **mkuser**
- **rmuser**

The **mkuser** command adds new entries to the **/etc/passwd** file and fills in the attribute values as defined in the **/usr/lib/security/mkuser.default** file.

The *Password* attribute is always initialized to an * (asterisk), an invalid password. You can set the password with the **passwd** or **pwdadm** command. When the password is changed, an ! (exclamation point) is added to the **/etc/passwd** file, indicating that the encrypted password is in the **/etc/security/passwd** file.

Use the **chuser** command to change all user attributes except *Password*. The **chfn** command and the **chsh** command change the *Gecos* attribute and *Shell* attribute, respectively. To display all the attributes in this file, use the **lsuser** command. To remove a user and all the user's attributes, use the **rmuser** command.

To write programs that affect attributes in the **/etc/passwd** file, use the subroutines listed in the related information section.

Security

Access Control: This file should grant read (r) access to all users and write (w) access only to the root user and members of the security group.

Examples

1. Typical records that show an invalid password for smith and guest follow:

```
smith:*:100:100:8A-74(office):/home/smith:/usr/bin/sh
guest:*:200:0::/home/guest:/usr/bin/sh
```

The fields are in the following order: user name, password, user ID, primary group, general (gecos) information, home directory, and initial program (login shell). The * (asterisk) in the password field indicates that the password is invalid. Each attribute is separated by a : (colon).

2. If the password for smith in the previous example is changed to a valid password, the record will change to the following:

```
smith!:100:100:8A-74(office):/home/smith:/usr/bin/sh
```


The ! (exclamation point) indicates that an encrypted password is stored in the **/etc/security/passwd** file.

Files

Item	Description
/etc/passwd	Contains basic user attributes.
/usr/lib/security/mkuser.default	Contains default attributes for new users.
/etc/group	Contains the basic attributes of groups.
/etc/security/group	Contains the extended attributes of groups.
/etc/security/passwd	Contains password information.
/etc/security/user	Contains the extended attributes of users.
/etc/security/envIRON	Contains the environment attributes of users.
/etc/security/limits	Contains the process resource limits of users.

passwd_policy File

Purpose

Defines the types and manifest constants required to support the `passwdpolicy()` function.

Description

The `passwdpolicy()` interface uses named policies to determine the strength of a new password. This interface is intended for applications which maintain policy information in either the per-user attribute databases (for example `/etc/security/user`) or which use the new policy files (`/etc/security/passwd_policy` and `/usr/lib/security/passwd_policy`) to create password policies which are not associated with a specific user.

System security applications may name policies which are then enforced using the named rules in `/etc/security/passwd_policy`. Because this file resides in the `/etc/security` directory, it is only accessible by applications run by root or a member of group security. The `/usr/lib/security/passwd_policy` file is intended for applications which wish to use these new APIs to enforce their own password strength rules. There is no support for a default stanza, rather each application must name a stanza it wishes to use as the default and then explicitly check against that stanza. In addition to the basic construction rules which are supported by `passwdstrength()`, this interface supports dictionary checking, per-user password histories, and administrator-defined load module extensions.

The format of the `passwd_policy` file is similar to the password construction rule attributes as stored in the `/etc/security/user` file, with the exception that named policies do not include the `histsize` and `histexpire` attributes. Each file is a sequence of zero or more stanzas with the named policy being the stanza name. Each stanza contains one or more attributes describing the password rules which must be satisfied for a password to be accepted.

Example

```
ibm_corp_policy:
    dictionlist = /usr/share/dict/words,/usr/local/lib/local_words
    maxage = 26
    minage = 2
    maxexpired = 2
    maxrepeats = 2
    mindiff = 6
    minalpha = 4
    minother = 2
```

```
minlen = 7
pwdchecks = /usr/lib/security/more_checks.so
```

The maxage, minage, maxexpired, maxrepeats, mindiff, minalpha, minother, and minlen attributes are integers. The dictionlist and pwdchecks attributes are comma-separated lists of filenames. For more information on valid values for attributes, please see [/etc/security/user](#).

Permissions

The permissions on /etc/security/passwd_policy shall be 660, owner root, group security. This restricts access to processes with the privileges needed to perform other security administrative tasks. The permissions on /usr/lib/security/passwd_policy shall be 664, owner root, group security. This allows all processes to read the file, while restricting administrative access to processes with the privileges needed to perform other security administrative tasks. Applications select between policy files using the type parameter to the passwdpolicy() function.

Location

Item	Description
/usr/lib/security/passwd_policy	Location of policy values for PWP_LOCALPOLICY.
/etc/security/passwd_policy	Location of policy values for PWP_SYSTEMPOLICY.

Related reference

[user File](#)

[pwdpolicy.h File](#)

/etc/security/passwd File

Purpose

Contains password information.

Description

The **/etc/security/passwd** file is an ASCII file that contains stanzas with password information. Each stanza is identified by a user name followed by a : (colon) and contains attributes in the form *Attribute=Value*. Each attribute is ended with a new line character, and each stanza is ended with an additional new line character.

Each stanza can have the following attributes:

Attribute	Definition
password	Specifies the encrypted password. The system encrypts the password created with the passwd command or the pwdadm command. If the password is empty, the user does not have a password. If the password is an * (asterisk), the user cannot log in. The value is a character string. The default value is *.
lastupdate	Specifies the time (in seconds) since the epoch (00:00:00 GMT, January 1, 1970) when the password was last changed. If password aging (the minage attribute or the maxage attribute) is in effect, the lastupdate attribute forces a password change when the time limit expires. (See the /etc/security/user file for information on password aging.) The passwd and pwdadm commands normally set this attribute when a password is changed. The value is a decimal integer that can be converted to a text string using the ctime subroutine.

Attribute	Definition
flags	Specifies the restrictions applied by the login , passwd , and su commands. The value is a list of comma-separated attributes. The flags attribute can be left blank or can be one or more of the following values: <p>ADMIN Defines the administrative status of the password information. If the ADMIN attribute is set, only the root user can change this password information.</p> <p>ADMCHG Indicates that the password was last changed by a member of the security group or the root user. Normally this flag is set implicitly when the pwdadm command changes another user's password. When this flag is set explicitly, it forces the password to be updated the next time a user gives the login command or the su command.</p> <p>NOCHECK None of the system password restrictions defined in the /etc/security/user file are enforced for this password.</p>

When the **passwd** or **pwdadm** command updates a password, the command adds values for the **password** and **lastupdate** attributes and, if used to change another user's password, for the **flags ADMCHG** attribute.

Access to this file should be through the system commands and subroutines defined for this purpose. Other accesses may not be supported in future releases. Users can update their own passwords with the **passwd** command, administrators can set passwords and password flags with the **pwdadm** command, and the root user is able to use the **passwd** command to set the passwords of other users.

Refer to the "Files" section for information on where attributes and other information on users and groups are stored.

Although each user name must be in the **/etc/passwd** file, it is not necessary to have each user name listed in the **/etc/security/passwd** file. If the authentication attributes **auth1** and **auth2** are so defined in the **/etc/security/user** file, a user may use the authentication name of another user. For example, the authentication attributes for user tom can allow that user to use the entry in the **/etc/security/passwd** file for user carol for authentication.

Security

Access Control: This file should grant read (r) and write (w) access only to the root user.

Auditing Events:

Event	Information
S_PASSWD_READ	file name
S_PASSWD_WRITE	file name

Examples

The following line indicates that the password information in the **/etc/security/passwd** file is available only to the root user, who has no restrictions on updating a password for the specified user:

```
flags = ADMIN,NOCHECK
```

An example of this line in a typical stanza for user smith follows:

```
smith:
  password = MGURSj.F056Dj
```

```
lastupdate = 623078865
flags = ADMIN,NOCHECK
```

The password line shows an encrypted password. The lastupdate line shows the number of seconds since the epoch that the password was last changed. The flags line shows two flags: the **ADMIN** flag indicates that the information is available only to the root user, and the **NOCHECK** flag indicates that the root user has no restrictions on updating a password for the specified user.

Files

Item	Description
/etc/security/passwd	Specifies the path to the file.
/etc/passwd	Contains basic user attributes.
/etc/security/user	Contains the extended attributes of users.
/etc/security/login.cfg	Contains configuration information for login and user authentication.

Related reference

[pwdhist File](#)

Related information

[login command](#)

[su command](#)

[endpwdb subroutine](#)

pcnfsd.conf Configuration File

Purpose

Provides configuration options for the **rpc.pcnfsd** daemon.

Description

The **/etc/pcnfsd.conf** file is an ASCII file written by users to add options to the operation of the **rpc.pcnfsd** daemon, which takes no command-line flags. This file is part of Network Support Facilities.

When started, the **rpc.pcnfsd** daemon checks for the presence of the **pcnfsd.conf** configuration file and conforms its performance to the specified arguments. The following options can be entered in the **pcnfsd.conf** file:

Option

aixargs -B*CharacterPair*

Description

Controls the printing of burst pages according to the value of the *CharacterPair* variable, as listed below. The first character applies to the header and the second character to the trailer. Possible values are **n** (never), **a** (always), and **g** (group).

HT

Description

nn

No headers, no trailers

na

No headers, trailer on every file

ng

No header, trailer at the end of the job

an

Header on every file, no trailers

aa

Headers and trailers on every file in the job

ag

Header on every file, trailer after job

gn

Header at beginning of job, no trailer

ga

Header at beginning of job, trailer after every file

gg

Header at beginning of job, trailer at end of job

The header and trailer stanzas in the [/etc/qconfig](#) file define the default treatment of burst pages.

Note: The **-B** flag works exactly like the **-B** flag in the [enq](#) command. Unlike the [enq](#) command, however, the **rpc.pcnfsd** daemon does not allow spaces between the **-B** flag and the *CharacterPair* variable.

getjobnum off

Disables the **rpc.pcnfsd** daemon feature that returns job numbers when print jobs are submitted.

Option

printer *Name AliasFor Command*

Description

Defines a PC-NFS virtual printer, recognized only by **rpc.pcnfsd** daemon clients. Each virtual printer is defined on a separate line in the **pcnfsd.conf** file. The following variables are specified with this option.

Name

Specifies the name of the PC-NFS virtual printer to be defined.

AliasFor

Specifies the name of an existing printer that performs the print job.

Note: To define a PC-NFS virtual printer associated with no existing printer, use a single - (minus sign) instead of the *AliasFor* variable.

Command

Specifies the command that is run when a file is printed on the *Name* printer. This command is executed by the Bourne shell, using the **-c** option. For complex operations, replace the *Command* variable with an executable shell script.

The following list of tokens and substitution values can be used in the *Command* variable:

Token

Substitution Value

\$FILE

The full path name of the print data file. After the command has executed, the file will be unlinked.

\$USER

The user name of the user logged in to the client.

\$HOST

The host name of the client system.

spooldir *PathName*

Designates a new parent directory, *PathName*, where the **rpc.pcnfsd** daemon stores the subdirectories it creates for each of its clients. The default parent directory is **/var/spool/pcnfs**.

uidrange

Specifies the valid UID (user number) range that the **rpc.pcnfsd** daemon accepts. The default UID range is 101-4294967295.

wtmp off

Disables the login record-keeping feature of the **rpc.pcnfsd** daemon. By default, the daemon appends to the **/var/adm/wtmp** file a record of user logins.

Examples

1. The following sample **pcnfsd.conf** configuration file demonstrates the effects some options have on the operation of the **rpc.pcnfsd** daemon:

```
printer test - /usr/bin/cp $FILE
           /usr/tmp/$HOST-$USER
```

```
printer sandman san ls -l $FILE
wtmp off
```

The first line establishes a printer test. Files sent to the test printer will be copied into the **/usr/tmp** directory. Requests to the test PC-NFS virtual printer to list the queue, check the status, or do similar printer operations, will be rejected because a - (minus sign) has been given for the *Alias-For* parameter.

The second line establishes a PC-NFS virtual printer called sandman that lists, in long form, the file specifications for the print data file.

The third line turns off the **rpc.pcnfsd** daemon feature that records user logins.

2. To set a UID range enter:

```
uidrange 1-100,200-50000
```

This entry means that only numbers from 101-199 and over 50000 are invalid UID numbers.

Files

Item	Description
/etc/pcnfsd.conf	Specifies the path of the configuration file.
/var/spool/pcnfs directory	Contains subdirectories for clients of the pcnfsd daemon.
/etc/qconfig	Configures a printer queuing system.
/var/adm/wtmp	Describes formats for user and accounting information.

Related information

[rpc.pcnfsd command](#)

[Bourne shell](#)

[List of NFS files](#)

pkginfo File

Purpose

Describes the format of a package characteristics file.

Description

The **pkginfo** file is an ASCII file that describes the characteristics of the package along with information that helps control the flow of installation. It is created by the software package developer.

Each entry in the **pkginfo** file is a line that establishes the value of a parameter in the following form:

```
PARAM="value"
```

There is no required order in which the parameters must be specified within the file. Each parameter is described below. Only fields marked with an asterisk are mandatory.

Parameter	Description
PKG*	PKG is the parameter to which you assign an abbreviation for the name of the package being installed. The abbreviation must be a short string (no more than nine characters long) and it must conform to file naming rules. All characters in the abbreviation must be alphanumeric and the first cannot be numeric. install , new , and all are reserved abbreviations.
NAME*	Text that specifies the package name (maximum length of 256 ASCII characters).

Parameter	Description
ARCH*	A comma-separated list of alphanumeric tokens that indicate the architecture (for example, ARCH=m68k,i386) associated with the package. The pkgmk(1M) tool can be used to create or modify this value when actually building the package. The maximum length of a token is 16 characters and it cannot include a comma.
VERSION*	Text that specifies the current version associated with the software package. The maximum length is 256 ASCII characters and the first character cannot be a left parenthesis. The pkgmk tool can be used to create or modify this value when actually building the package.
CATEGORY*	<p>A comma-separated list of categories under which a package can be displayed. There are six categories: "application," "graphics," "system," "utilities," "set," and "patch." If you choose, you can also assign a package to one or more categories that you define. Categories are case-insensitive and can contain only alphanumeric characters. Each category is limited in length to 16 characters.</p> <p>For a Set Installation Package (SIP), this field must have the value "set." A SIP is a special purpose package that controls the installation of a set of packages.</p>
DESC	Text that describes the package (maximum length of 256 ASCII characters).
VENDOR	Used to identify the vendor that holds the software copyright (maximum length of 256 ASCII characters).
HOTLINE	Phone number and/or mailing address where further information can be received or bugs can be reported (maximum length of 256 ASCII characters).
EMAIL	An electronic address where further information is available or bugs can be reported (maximum length of 256 ASCII characters).
VSTOCK	The vendor stock number, if any, that identifies this product (maximum length of 256 ASCII characters).
CLASSES	A space-separated list of classes defined for a package. The order of the list determines the order in which the classes are installed. Classes listed first are installed first (on a medium-by-medium basis). This parameter can be modified by the request script. In this way, the request script can be used to select which classes in the package get installed on the system.
ISTATES	A list of allowable run states for package installation (for example, ""S s 1"").
RSTATES	A list of allowable run states for package removal (for example, ""S s 1"").
BASEDIR	The pathname to a default directory where "relocatable" files can be installed. If BASEDIR is not specified and basedir in the <i>admin</i> file (<i>/var/sadm/install/admin/default</i>) is set to <i>default</i> , then BASEDIR is set to <i>/</i> by default. An administrator can override the value of BASEDIR by setting basedir in the <i>admin</i> file.
ULIMIT	If set, this parameter is passed as an argument to the ulimit command, which establishes the maximum size of a file during installation.
ORDER	A list of classes defining the order in which they should be put on the medium. Used by pkgmk(1) in creating the package. Classes not defined in this field are placed on the medium using the standard ordering procedures.
PSTAMP	Production stamp used to mark the <i>pkgmap(4)</i> file on the output volumes. Provides a means for distinguishing between production copies of a version if more than one is in use at a time. If PSTAMP is not defined, the default is used. The default consists of the UNIX system machine name followed by the string ""YYMMDDHHmm"" (year, month, date, hour, minutes).
INTONLY	Indicates that the package should be installed interactively only when set to any non-NULL value.

Parameter	Description
PREDEPEND	Used to maintain compatibility with dependency checking on packages delivered earlier than System V Release 4. Pre-Release 4 dependency checks were based on whether or not the name file for the required package existed in the <i>/usr/options</i> directory. This directory is not maintained for Release 4 and later packages because the <i>depend</i> file is used for checking dependencies. However, entries can be created in this directory to maintain compatibility. This is done automatically by pkgmk . This field is to be assigned the package instance name of the package.
SERIALNUM	A serial number, if any, that uniquely identifies this copy of the package (maximum length of 256 ASCII characters).
ACTKEY	Activation key indicator. Set to YES indicates that an activation key is required to install the package.
PRODUCTNAME	A list of the products to which each package belongs. The format of this variable is: <div style="background-color: #f0f0f0; padding: 5px; margin-top: 5px;"> PRODUCTNAME="<product>[<product> . . .]" </div>

Developers can define their own installation parameters by adding a definition to this file. A developer-defined parameter should begin with a capital letter.

Restrictions placed on a package installation by certain variables in the **pkginfo** file can be overridden by instructions in the **admin** file. For example, the restriction of allowable run states set by the **ISTATES** variable can be overridden by having

```
runlevel=nocheck
```

in the **admin** file being used for installation. (Default is "default".) See the **admin** file for further information.

Examples

Here is a sample **pkginfo** file:

```
PKG="oam"
NAME="OAM Installation Utilities"
VERSION="3"
VENDOR="AT&T"
HOTLINE="1-800-ATT-BUGS"
EMAIL="attunix!olsen"
VSTOCK="0122c3f5566"
CATEGORY="system.essential"
ISTATES="S 2"
RSTATES="S 2"
```

Related reference

[admin File](#)

[setinfo File](#)

pkgmap File

Purpose

Describes the format of a package contents description file.

Description

The **pkgmap** file is an ASCII file that provides a complete listing of the package contents. Each entry in **pkgmap** describes a single "deliverable object file." A deliverable object file includes shell scripts,

executable objects, data files, and directories. The entry consists of several fields of information, each field separated by a space. The fields are described below and must appear in the order shown.

Field	Description
<i>part</i>	A field designating the part number in which the object resides. A part is a collection of files, and is the atomic unit by which a package is processed. A developer can choose the criteria for grouping files into a part (for example, based on class). If no value is defined in this field, part 1 is assumed.
<i>ftype</i>	<p>A one-character field that indicates the file type. Valid values are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> f a standard executable or data file e a file to be edited upon installation or removal v volatile file (one whose contents are expected to change) d directory x an exclusive directory l linked file p named pipe c character special device b block special device i installation script or information file s symbolic link <p>Once a file has the file type attribute v, it will always be volatile. For example, if a file being installed already exists and has the file type attribute v, then even if the version of the file being installed is not specified as volatile, the file type attribute remains volatile.</p>
<i>class</i>	The installation class to which the file belongs. This name must contain only alphanumeric characters and be no longer than 12 characters. It is not specified if the ftype is i (information file).

Field	Description
<i>pathname</i>	<p>The pathname where the object resides on the target machine, such as <i>/usr/bin/mail</i>. Relative pathnames (those that do not begin with a slash) indicate that the file is relocatable.</p> <p>For linked files (ftype is either l or s), pathname must be in the form of path1=path2, with path1 specifying the destination of the link and path2 specifying the source of the link.</p> <p>For symbolically linked files, when path2 is a relative pathname starting with <i>./</i> or <i>../</i>, path2 is not considered relocatable. For example, if you enter a line such as</p> <pre>s /foo/bar/etc/mount=../usr/sbin/mount</pre> <p>path1 (<i>/foo/bar/etc/mount</i>) is a symbolic link to <i>../usr/sbin/mount</i>.</p> <p>pathname can contain variables which support relocation of the file. A "\$" parameter can be embedded in the pathname structure. \$BASEDIR can be used to identify the parent directories of the path hierarchy, making the entire package easily relocatable. Default values for parameter and BASEDIR must be supplied in the <i>pkginfo</i> file and can be overridden at installation.</p> <p>Special characters, such as an equal sign ("="), are included in pathnames by surrounding the entire pathname in single quotes (as in, for example, <i>'usr/lib/~='</i>).</p>
<i>major</i>	The major device number. The field is only specified for block or character special devices.
<i>minor</i>	The minor device number. The field is only specified for block or character special devices.
<i>mode</i>	The octal mode of the file (for example, 0664). A question mark ("?") indicates that the mode is left unchanged, implying that the file already exists on the target machine. This field is not used for linked files, packaging information files or non-installable files.
<i>owner</i>	<p>The owner of the file (for example, <i>bin</i> or <i>root</i>). The field is limited to 14 characters in length. A question mark ("?") indicates that the owner is left unchanged, implying that the file already exists on the target machine. This field is not used for linked files or non-installable files. It is used optionally with a package information file. If used, it indicates with what owner an installation script is executed.</p> <p>The owner can be a variable specification in the form of \$[A-Z] and is resolved at installation time.</p>
<i>group</i>	<p>The group to which the file belongs (for example, bin or sys). The field is limited to 14 characters in length. A question mark ("?") indicates that the group is left unchanged, implying that the file already exists on the target machine. This field is not used for linked files or non-installable files. It is used optionally with a package information file. If used, it indicates with what group an installation script is executed.</p> <p>Can be a variable assignment in the form of \$[A-Z] and is resolved at installation time.</p>
<i>size</i>	The actual size of the file in bytes. This field is not specified for named pipes, special devices, directories, or linked files.
<i>cksum</i>	The checksum of the file contents. This field is not specified for named pipes, special devices, directories, or linked files.
<i>modtime</i>	The time of last modification. This field is not specified for named pipes, special devices, directories, or linked files.

The following three optional fields must be used as a group. That is, all three must be specified if any is specified.

Field	Description
<i>mac</i>	<p>The Mandatory Access Control (MAC) Level Identifier (LID), an integer value that specifies a combination of a hierarchical classification and zero or more non-hierarchical categories. A question mark ("?") indicates that the mac field is to be left unchanged, implying that the file already exists on the target machine. This field can only be applied to a file on a sfs filesystem and is not used for linked files or packaging information files.</p> <p>Note: Mandatory Access Control is not supported in this release; this field is present for compatibility with earlier release only. A value of 0 should be used if you must specify this field.</p>
<i>fixed</i>	<p>A comma-separated list of valid mnemonic fixed privilege names as defined for the filepriv command. The string NULL is used in place of the comma-separated list when fixed privileges are not to be specified. A question mark ("?") indicates that the fixed field is to be left unchanged, implying that the file already exists on the target machine. If the fixed attribute is not supplied, then files are installed with no fixed privileges. This field is not used for linked files or packaging information files.</p> <p>Note: Fixed privileges have no effect in the current release. This capability is maintained solely for compatibility with earlier releases.</p>
<i>inherited</i>	<p>A comma-separated list of valid mnemonic inherited privilege names as defined for the filepriv command. The string NULL is used in place of the comma separated list when privilege is not to be specified. A question mark ("?") indicates that the inherited field is to be left unchanged, implying that the file already exists on the target machine. If the inherited attribute is not supplied, then files are installed with no inheritable privileges. This field is not used for linked files or packaging information files.</p> <p>Note: Inheritable privileges have no effect in the current release. This capability is maintained solely for compatibility with earlier releases.</p>

Each **pkgmap** must have one line that provides information about the number and maximum size (in 512-byte blocks) of parts that make up the package. This line is in the following format:

```
:number_of_parts maximum_part_size
```

Lines that begin with ""#"" are comment lines and are ignored.

When files are saved during installation before they are overwritten, they are normally just copied to a temporary pathname. However, for files whose mode includes execute permission (but which are not editable), the existing version is linked to a temporary pathname and the original file is removed. This allows processes which are executing during installation to be overwritten.

The **pkgmap** file can contain only one entry per unique pathname.

An exclusive directory type (*file*) type *x* specifies directories that are constrained to contain only files that appear in the installation software database (*/var/sadm/install/contents*). If there are other files in the directory, they are removed by **pkgchk -fx** as described on the manual page for the **pkgchk** command.

Variable specifications for the *owner* and *group* fields are defined in the **pkginfo** file. For example, *owner* could be **\$OWNER** in the **pkgmap** file; if **OWNER** is defined as *root* in the **pkginfo** file, **\$OWNER** gets the value *root* when the file is installed.

Examples

The following is an example **pkgmap** file.

```
:2 500
1 i pkginfo 237 1179 541296672
1 b class1 /dev/diskette 17 134 0644 root other
1 c class1 /dev/rdiskette 17 134 0644 root other
1 d none bin 0755 root bin
1 f none bin/INSTALL 0755 root bin 11103 17954 541295535
```

```

1 f none bin/REMOVE 0755 root bin 3214 50237 541295541
1 l none bin/UNINSTALL=bin/REMOVE
1 f none bin/cmda 0755 root bin 3580 60325 541295567 0 NULL
macread,macwrite
1 f none bin/cmdb 0755 root bin 49107 51255 541438368
1 f class1 bin/cmdc 0755 root bin 45599 26048 541295599
1 f class1 bin/cmdd 0755 root bin 4648 8473 541461238
1 f none bin/cmde 0755 root bin 40501 1264 541295622
1 f class2 bin/cmdf 0755 root bin 2345 35889 541295574
1 f none bin/cmdg 0755 root bin 41185 47653 541461242
2 d class2 data 0755 root bin
2 p class1 data/apipe 0755 root other
2 d none log 0755 root bin 0 NULL NULL
2 v none log/logfile 0755 root bin 41815 47563 541461333
2 d none save 0755 root bin
2 d none spool 0755 root bin
2 d none tmp 0755 root bin

```

Related information

[pkgchk command](#)

policy.cfg File

Purpose

The **policy.cfg** file contains attributes that are used while creating certificates when creating users or adding certificates to the local LDAP repository.

Description

The **policy.cfg** file consists of four stanzas: **newuser**, **storage**, **crl** and **comm**. These stanzas modify the behavior of some system administration commands. The **mkuser** command uses the **newuser** stanza. The **certlink** command uses the **storage** stanza. The **certadd** and **certlink** command use the **comm** and **crl** stanzas.

Examples

```

*****
* Example policy.cfg file
*
* newuser Stanza:
*
* cert          Specifies whether the mkuser command generates a certificate (new) or
*               not (get) by default.
* ca            Specifies the CA used by the mkuser command when generating
*               a certificate.
* version       Specifies the version number of the certificate to be created.
*               The value 3 is the only supported value.
* tag           Specifies the auth_cert tag value used by the mkuser command when
*               creating a user when cert = new.
* label         Specifies the private key label used by the mkuser command when
*               generating a certificate.
* keystore       Specifies the keystore URI used by the mkuser command when generating
*               a certificate.
* passwd        Specifies the keystore's password used by the mkuser command when
*               generating a certificate.
* domain        Specifies the domain part of the certificate's subject alternate name
*               email value used by the mkuser command when generating a
*               certificate.
* validity       Specifies the certificate's validity period value used by the mkuser
*               command when generating a certificate.
* algorithm      Specifies the public key algorithm used by the mkuser command when
*               generating a certificate.
* keysize        Specifies the minimum encryption key size in bits used by the mkuser
*               command when generating a certificate.
* keyusage       Specifies the certificate's key usage value used by the mkuser
*
* subalturi      Specifies the certificate's subject alternate name URI value
*               used by the mkuser command when generating a certificate.
*
* storage Stanza:
*

```

```

*          command when generating a certificate.
* replicate Specifies whether the certlink command saves a copy of the certificate
*          (yes) or just the link (no).
*
* crt Stanza
*
* check      Specifies whether the certadd and certlink commands should check the
*          CRL (yes) or not (no).
*
* comm Stanza
*
* timeout    Specifies the timeout period in seconds when requesting certificate
*          information using HTTP (e.g., retrieving CRLs).
*
newuser:
    cert = new
    ca = local
    passwd = pki
    version = "3"
    keysize = 1024
    keystore = test
    validity = 60

storage:
    replicate = no

crl:
    check = yes

comm:
    timeout = 10
* end of policy.cfg

```

File

/usr/lib/security/pki/policy.cfg

Related reference

[acct.cfg File](#)

[ca.cfg File](#)

Related information

[mkuser command](#)

[certcreate command](#)

portlog File

Purpose

Contains per-port unsuccessful login attempt information and port locks.

Description

The **/etc/security/portlog** file is an ASCII file that contains stanzas of per port unsuccessful login attempt information and port locks. Each stanza has a name followed by a : (colon) that defines the port name. Attributes are in the form **Attribute=Value**. Each attribute ends with a new line character and each stanza ends with an additional new line character.

The attributes in the stanzas are as follows:

Attribute

locktime

Definition

Defines the time the port was locked in seconds since the epoch (zero time, January 1, 1970). This value is a decimal integer string.

Attribute

unsuccessful_login_times

Definition

Lists the times of unsuccessful login attempts in seconds since the epoch. The list contains decimal integer strings separated by commas.

These attributes do not have default values. If a value is not specified, the attribute is ignored.

Security

Access Control: This file grants read access to the root user and members of the security group, and write access only to the root user. Access for other users and groups depends upon the security policy of the operating system.

Examples

A typical record looks like the following example for the **/dev/tty0** port:

```
/dev/tty0:
  locktime = 723848478
  unsuccessful_login_times =
723848430,723848450,723848478
```

Files

Item

/etc/security/portlog

/etc/security/login.cfg

Description

Specifies the path to the file.

Contains configuration information for login and user authentication.

Related information

[login command](#)

[loginfailed subroutine](#)

[loginrestrictions subroutine](#)

/etc/security/privcmds File

Purpose

Contains security attributes for privileged commands.

Description

The **/etc/security/privcmds** file is an ASCII stanza file that contains privileged commands and their security attributes. Each stanza in the **/etc/security/privcmds** file is identified by the full path name to the command, followed by a colon (:). Each stanza contains attributes in the *Attribute=Value* form. The path name must be the absolute path to the command and cannot contain symbolic link directories or be a symbolic link to the command. Each *Attribute=Value* pair is ended by a newline character, and each stanza is ended by an additional newline character. For an example of a stanza, see [“Examples” on page 245](#).

Changes made to the **privcmds** file do not impact security considerations until the entire privileged command database is sent to the Kernel Security Tables through the **setkst** command or until the system is rebooted.

Modifying and Listing Entries in the privcmds File

Do not directly edit the **/etc/security/privcmds** file. Use the following commands and subroutines to manipulate the privileged commands database:

setsecattr

Adds a command entry to, or changes a command entry in, the **/etc/security/privcmds** file.

lssecattr

Displays attributes and their values.

rmsecattr

Removes a command from the **privcmds** file.

To write programs that affect entries in the **/etc/security/privcmds** file, use one or more of the following subroutines:

- **getcmdattr**
- **getcmdattrs**
- **putcmdattr**
- **putcmdattrs**

Attributes

A stanza in this file contains one or more of the following security attributes:

Item	Description
accessauths	<p>Specifies the access authorizations as a comma-separated list of authorization names. A user whose current session has one of the authorizations in the list is allowed to run the command. You can specify a maximum of 16 authorizations.</p> <p>This attribute also allows three special values:</p> <p>ALLOW_OWNER</p> <p>Allows the Role Based Access Control (RBAC) framework to be used for the command owner. If the accessauths attribute is specified, when the command owner runs the command, the RBAC framework governs the privileges assigned to the process. If the accessauths attribute is not specified or the user running the command does not have an authorization in the accessauths attribute, DAC controls the execution and the RBAC framework grants no additional privileges.</p> <p>ALLOW_GROUP</p> <p>Allows the RBAC framework to be used for the group. If the accessauths attribute is specified, when the group runs the command, the RBAC framework governs the privileges assigned to the process. If the accessauths attribute is not specified or the user running the command does not have an authorization in the accessauths attribute, DAC controls the execution and the RBAC framework grants no additional privileges.</p> <p>ALLOW_ALL</p> <p>Allows the RBAC framework to be used for everyone. If the accessauths attribute is specified, when anyone runs the command, the RBAC framework governs the privileges assigned to the process. If the accessauths attribute is not specified or the user running the command does not have an authorization in the accessauths attribute, DAC controls the execution and the RBAC framework grants no additional privileges.</p>

Item	Description
authprivs	<p>Specifies the authorized privileges that are assigned to the process on a specific authorization basis. The user running the command must gain access to the command through the accessauths attribute to enable the authprivs attribute. For each authorization in the list that is processed, the associated set of privileges is granted. The maximum number of authorization and privileges pairs is 16. The authorization and its corresponding privileges are separated by an equal sign (=), individual privileges are separated by a plus sign (+), and the authorization and privileges pairs are separated by a comma, as shown in the following line:</p> <pre>auth=priv+priv...,auth=priv+priv...,...</pre> <p>This attribute also supports three special authorization values: ALLOW_OWNER, ALLOW_GROUP, and ALLOW_ALL, to specify the additional privileges granted to the command owner, group or everyone, respectively.</p>
authroles	The role or list of roles. Users having these have to be authenticated to allow execution of the command. A maximum of sixteen roles can be specified.
msgset	Specifies the file name of the message catalog that contains the one-line description of the authorization. The value is a character string.
innateprivs	Specifies a comma-separated list of privileges assigned to the process during the running of the command. The specified privileges are assigned to the process only if the command invocation is authorized through the access authorizations.
inheritprivs	Specifies a comma-separated list of privileges that is passed to child processes.
euid	Specifies the effective user ID to assume during the running of the command.
egid	Specifies the effective group ID to assume during the running of the command.
ruid	Specifies the real user ID to assume during the running of the command.
secflags	<p>Specifies a comma-separated list of file security flags. The following value is valid:</p> <p>FSF_EPS</p> <p>Loads the process maximum privilege set into the effective privilege set upon execution.</p>

Security

The root user and the security group own this file. Read and write access is granted to the root user. Access for other users and groups depends on the security policy for the system.

Examples

The following example for a *Command* displays a typical stanza in the file:

```
/usr/bin/myprog:
  accessauths = aix.security.user.create,aix.security.user.change
  authprivs = aix.ras.audit=PV_AU_ADMIN
  innateprivs = PV_DAC_R,PV_DAC_W
  secflags = FSF_EPS
```

This entry indicates that the user running this command must be in a role session that has one of the authorizations listed in the **accessauths** attribute to run the command. If this condition is true, the privileges listed in the **innateprivs** attribute are granted to the resulting process. Also, if the user running this command has one of the privileged authorizations listed in the **authprivs** attribute, the process is granted the additional associated privileges.

Related reference

[/etc/nscontrol.conf File](#)

Related information

[getcndattr subroutine](#)

[lssecattr command](#)

[rmsecattr command](#)

[swrole command](#)

/etc/security/privdevs File

Purpose

Contains security attributes for privileged devices.

Description

The **/etc/security/privdevs** file is an ASCII stanza file that contains privileged devices and their security attributes. Each stanza in the **/etc/security/privdevs** file is identified by the full path name to the device, followed by a colon (:). Each stanza contains attributes in the *Attribute=Value* form. The path name must be the absolute path to the device and cannot contain symbolic link directories or be a symbolic link to the device. Each *Attribute=Value* pair is ended by a newline character, and each stanza is ended by an additional newline character. For an example of a stanza, see [“Examples” on page 247](#).

Changes made to the **privdevs** file do not impact security considerations until the entire privileged device database is sent to the Kernel Security Tables through the **setkst** command or until the system is rebooted.

Modifying and Listing Entries in the devices File

Do not directly edit the **/etc/security/privdevs** file. Use the following commands and subroutines to manipulate the privileged devices database:

setsecattr

Adds a device entry to, or changes a device entry in, the **/etc/security/privdevs** file.

lssecattr

Displays attributes and their values.

rmsecattr

Removes a command from the devices file.

To write programs that affect entries in the **/etc/security/privdevs** file, use one or more of the following subroutines:

- **getdevattr**
- **getdevattr**s
- **putdevattr**
- **putdevattr**s

Attributes

A stanza in this file contains one or more of the following security attributes:

Attribute	Description
readprivs	Specifies the privileges required to read from the device as a comma-separated list of privilege names. You can define a maximum of eight privileges. A process with any of the specified read privileges can read from the device.

Attribute	Description
writeprivs	Specifies the privileges required to write to the device as a comma-separated list of privilege names. You can define a maximum of eight privileges. A process with any of the specified write privileges can write to the device.

Security

The root user and the security group own this file. Read and write access is granted to the root user. Access for other users and groups depends on the security policy for the system.

Examples

The following example for a *Device* displays a typical stanza in the file:

```
/dev/mydev:
  readprivs = PV_DAC_R,PV_AU_READ
  writeprivs = PV_DAC_W,PV_AU_WRITE
```

This entry indicates that the process must have either the PV_DAC_R privilege or the PV_AU_READ privilege to read from the device. The process also must have either the PV_DAC_W privilege or the PV_AU_WRITE privilege to write to the device.

Related information

[getdevattr subroutine](#)

[setsecattr command](#)

[lssecattr command](#)

/etc/security/privfiles File

Purpose

Contains the security attributes for privileged files.

Description

The **/etc/security/privfiles** file is an ASCII stanza file that contains privileged files and their security attributes. Each stanza in the **/etc/security/privfiles** file is identified by the full path name to the file, followed by a colon (:). Each stanza contains attributes in the *Attribute=Value* form. The path name must be the absolute path to the file and cannot contain symbolic link directories or be a symbolic link to the file. Each *Attribute=Value* pair is ended by a newline character, and each stanza is ended by an additional newline character. For an example of a stanza, see [“Examples” on page 248](#).

Modifying and Listing Entries in the privfiles File

Do not edit the **/etc/security/privfiles** file directly. Instead, use commands and subroutines that are defined for managing privileged file databases. You can use the following commands to modify and list entries in the **privfiles** file:

setsecattr

Adds or changes a file entry in the **/etc/security/privfiles** file.

lssecattr

Display the attributes and their values.

rmsecattr

Remove a file from the **privfiles** file.

To write programs that affect entries in the **/etc/security/privfiles** file, use one or more of the following subroutines:

- **getpfileattr**

- **getpfileattr**
- **putpfileattr**
- **putpfileattr**

Attributes

A stanza in this file can contain one or more of the following security attributes:

Attribute	Description
readauths	Specifies the authorizations required to read from the file as a comma-separated list of authorization names. A user with any of the authorizations can use the /usr/bin/pvi command to read from the privileged file.
writeauths	Specifies the authorizations required to write to the file as a comma-separated list of authorization names. A user with any of the authorizations can use the /usr/bin/pvi command to write to the privileged file.

Security

Read and write access is granted to the root user, and read access is granted to members of the security group. Access for other users and groups depends on the security policy for the system.

Examples

The following example for a *File* displays a typical stanza in the file:

```
/etc/myconf:
  readauths = aix.security.role.list
  writeauths = aix.security.role.change
```

This entry indicates that users with the `aix.security.role.list` authorization can use the **pvi** command to read the **/etc/myconf** file. Users with the `aix.security.role.change` authorization can use the **pvi** command to write to the **/etc/myconf** file.

Related information

[pvi command](#)

[setsecattr command](#)

[lssecattr command](#)

[getpfileattr subroutine](#)

/proc File

Purpose

Contains state information about processes and threads in the system.

Syntax

```
#include <sys/procfs.h>
```

Description

The **/proc** file system provides access to the state of each active process and thread in the system. The name of each entry in the **/proc** file system is a decimal number corresponding to the process ID. These entries are subdirectories and the owner of each is determined by the user ID of the process. Access to the process state is provided by additional files contained within each subdirectory. Except where

otherwise specified, the term */proc file* is meant to refer to a non-directory file within the hierarchy rooted at **/proc**. The owner of each file is determined by the user ID of the process.

The various **/proc** directory, file, and field names contain the term *lwp* (light weight process). This term refers to a kernel thread. The **/proc** files do not refer to user space pthreads. While the operating system does not use the term *lwp* to describe its threads, it is used in the **/proc** file system for compatibility with other UNIX operating systems.

The following standard subroutine interfaces are used to access the **/proc** files:

- **open** subroutine
- **close** subroutine
- **read** subroutine
- **write** subroutine

Most files describe process state and are intended to be read-only. The **ctl** (control) and **lwpcctl** (thread control) files permit manipulation of process state and can only be opened for writing. The **as** (address space) file contains the image of the running process and can be opened for both reading and writing. A write open allows process control while a read-only open allows inspection but not process control. Thus, a process is described as open for reading or writing if any of its associated **/proc** files is opened for reading or writing, respectively.

In general, more than one process can open the same **/proc** file at the same time. Exclusive open is intended to allow process control without another process attempting to open the file at the same time. A process can obtain exclusive control of a target process if it successfully opens any **/proc** file in the target process for writing (the **as** or **ctl** files, or the **lwpcctl** file of any kernel thread) while specifying the **O_EXCL** flag in the **open** subroutine. Such a call of the **open** subroutine fails if the target process is already open for writing (that is, if a **ctl**, **as**, or **lwpcctl** file is open for writing). Multiple concurrent read-only instances of the **open** subroutine can exist; the **O_EXCL** flag is ignored on the **open** subroutine for reading. The first open for writing by a controlling process should use the **O_EXCL** flag. Multiple processes trying to control the same target process usually results in errors.

Data may be transferred from or to any locations in the address space of the traced process by calling the **lseek** subroutine to position the **as** file at the virtual address of interest, followed by a call to the **read** or **write** subroutine. An I/O request extending into an unmapped area is truncated at the boundary. A **read** or **write** request beginning at an unmapped virtual address fails with **errno** set to **EFAULT**.

Information and control operations are provided through additional files. The **<sys/procfs.h>** file contains definitions of data structures and message formats used with these files. Some of these definitions use sets of flags. The set types **pr_sigset_t**, **fltset_t**, and **sysset_t** correspond to signal, fault, and system call enumerations, respectively. These enumerations are defined in the **<sys/procfs.h>** files. The **pr_sigset_t** and **fltset_t** types are large enough to hold flags for its own enumeration. Although they are of different sizes, they have a common structure and can be manipulated by the following macros:

```
prfillset(&set);           /* turn on all flags in set */
premptyset(&set);          /* turn off all flags in set */
praddset(&set, flag);      /* turn on the specified flag */
prdelset(&set, flag);      /* turn off the specified flag */
i = prismember(&set, flag); /* != 0 if flag is turned on */
```

Either the **prfillset** or **premptyset** macro must be used to initialize the **pr_sigset_t** or **fltset_t** type before it is used in any other operation. The **flag** parameter must be a member of the enumeration that corresponds to the appropriate set.

The **sysset_t** set type has a different format, set of macros, and a variable length structure to accommodate the varying number of available system calls. You can determine the total number of system calls, their names, and number of each individual call by reading the **sysent** file. You can then allocate memory for the appropriately sized **sysset_t** structure, by ensuring that the **pr_sysset** array needs an element for every 64 system call numbers, initialize its **pr_size** field, and then use the following macros to manipulate the system call set:

```
int      num;              /* Specifies the syscall's number from sysent */
uint64_t sysnum;           /* Specifies the number of elements in pr_set array */
```

```

uint64_t syssize;          /* Allocates the size */
sysset_t *set;             /* Specifies the pointer to sysset_t */
sysnum = (num - 1)/64 + 1;
syssize = (sysnum + 1) * sizeof(uint64_t);
set = (sysset_t *)malloc(syssize);
set->pr_size = sysnum;
prfillsysset(set)          /* set all syscalls in the sysset */
preptysysset(set)          /* clear all syscalls in the sysset */
praddsysset(set, num)      /* set specified syscall in the sysset */
prdelsysset(set, num)      /* clear specified syscall in the sysset */
prissyssetmember(set, num) /* !=0 if specified syscall is set */

```

See the description of the **sysent** file for more information about system calls.

Every active process contains at least one kernel thread. Every kernel thread represents a flow of execution that is independently scheduled by the operating system. All kernel threads in a process share address space as well as many other attributes. Using the **ctl** and **lwpctl** files, you can manipulate individual kernel threads in a process or manipulate all of them at once, depending on the operation.

When a process has more than one kernel thread, a representative thread is chosen by the system for certain process status file and control operations. The representative thread is stopped only if all the process's threads are stopped. The representative thread may be stopped on an *event of interest* only if all threads are stopped, or it may be stopped by a **PR_REQUESTED** stop only if no other events of interest exist.

The representative thread remains fixed as long as all the threads are stopped on events of interest or are in **PR_SUSPENDED** stop and the **PCRUN** operand is not applied to any of them.

When applied to the process control file (**ctl**), every **/proc** control operation that affects a kernel thread uses the same algorithm to choose which kernel thread to act on. With synchronous stopping (see **PCSET**), this behavior enables an application to control a multiple thread process using only the process level status and control files. For more control, use the thread-specific **lwpctl** files.

The **/proc** file system can be used by both 32-bit and 64-bit control processes to get information about both 32-bit and 64-bit target processes. The **/proc** files provide 64-bit enabled mode invariant files to all observers. The mode of the controlling process does not affect the format of the **/proc** data. Data is returned in the same format to both 32-bit and 64-bit control processes. Addresses and applicable length and offset fields in the **/proc** files are 8 bytes long.

Directory Structure

At the top level, the **/proc** directory contains entries, each of which names an existing process in the system. The names of entries in this directory are process ID (pid) numbers. These entries are directories. Except where otherwise noted, the files described below are read-only. In addition, if a process becomes a *zombie* (one that has been terminated by its parent with an **exit** call but has not been suspended by a **wait** call), most of its associated **/proc** files disappear from the directory structure. Normally, later attempts to open or to read or write to files that are opened before the process is terminated elicit the **ENOENT** message. Exceptions are noted.

The **/proc** files contain data that presents the state of processes and threads in the system. This state is constantly changing while the system is operating. To lessen the load on system performance caused by reading **/proc** files, the **/proc** file system does not stop system activity while gathering the data for those files. A single read of a **/proc** file generally returns a coherent and fairly accurate representation of process or thread state. However, because the state changes as the process or thread runs, multiple reads of **/proc** files may return representations that show different data and therefore appear to be inconsistent with each other.

An *atomic* representation is a representation of the process or thread at a single and discrete point in time. If you want an atomic snapshot of process or thread state, stop the process and thread before reading the state. There is no guarantee that the data is an atomic snapshot for successive reads of **/proc** files for a running process. In addition, a representation is not guaranteed to be atomic for any I/O applied to the **as** (address space) file. The contents of any process address space might be simultaneously modified by a thread of that process or any other process in the system.

Note: Multiple structure definitions are used to describe the **/proc** files. A **/proc** file may contain additional information other than the definitions presented here. In future releases of the operating system, these structures may grow by the addition of fields at the end of the structures.

The **/proc/pid** File Structure

The **/proc/pid** directory contains (but is not limited to) the following entries:

as

Contains the address space image of the process. The **as** file can be opened for both reading and writing. The **lseek** subroutine is used to position the file at the virtual address of interest. Afterwards, you can view and modify the address space with the **read** and **write** subroutines, respectively.

ctl

A write-only file to which structured messages are written directing the system to change some aspect of the process's state or control its behavior in some way. The seek offset is not relevant when writing to this file, see types of control messages for more information. Individual threads also have associated **lwpcctl** files. A control message may be written either to the **ctl** file of the process or to a specific **lwpcctl** file with operation-specific effects as described. The effect of a control message is immediately reflected in the state of the process visible through appropriate status and information files.

status

Contains state information about the process and one of its representative thread. The file is formatted as a **struct pstatus** type containing the following members:

```
uint32_t pr_flag;           /* process flags from proc struct p_flag */
uint32_t pr_flag2;         /* process flags from proc struct p_flag2 */
uint32_t pr_flags;         /* /proc flags */
uint32_t pr_nlwps;         /* number of threads in the process */
char pr_stat;              /* process state from proc p_stat */
char pr_dmodel;            /* data model for the process */
char pr__pad1[6];          /* reserved for future use */
pr_sigset_t pr_sigpend;    /* set of process pending signals */
pr_ptr64_t pr_brkbase;     /* address of the process heap */
uint64_t pr_brksize;       /* size of the process heap, in bytes */
pr_ptr64_t pr_stkbase;     /* address of the process stack */
uint64_t pr_stksize;       /* size of the process stack, in bytes */
pid64_t pr_pid;            /* process id */
pid64_t pr_ppid;           /* parent process id */
pid64_t pr_pgid;           /* process group id */
pid64_t pr_sid;           /* session id */
struct pr_timestruc64_t pr_utime; /* process user cpu time */
struct pr_timestruc64_t pr_stime; /* process system cpu time */
struct pr_timestruc64_t pr_cutime; /* sum of children's user times */
struct pr_timestruc64_t pr_cstime; /* sum of children's system times */
pr_sigset_t pr_sigtrace;   /* mask of traced signals */
fltset_t pr_fltrtrace;     /* mask of traced hardware faults */
uint32_t pr_sysentry_offset; /* offset into pstatus file of sysset_t
                             * identifying system calls traced on
                             * entry. If 0, then no entry syscalls
                             * are being traced. */
uint32_t pr_sysexit_offset; /* offset into pstatus file of sysset_t
                             * identifying system calls traced on
                             * exit. If 0, then no exit syscalls
                             * are being traced. */
uint64_t pr__pad[8];       /* reserved for future use */
lwppstatus_t pr_lwp;       /* "representative" thread status */
```

The members of the **status** file are described below:

pr_flags

Specifies a bit-mask holding these flags:

PR_ISSYS

Process is a kernel process (see **PCSTOP**)

PR_FORK

Process has its inherit-on-fork flag set (see **PCSET**)

PR_RLC

Process has its run-on-last-close flag set (see **PCSET**)

PR_KLC

Process has its kill-on-last-close flag set (see **PCSET**)

PR_ASYNC

Process has its asynchronous-stop flag set (see **PCSET**)

PR_PTRACE

Process is controlled by the **ptrace** subroutine

pr_nlwp

Specifies the total number of threads in the process

pr_brkbase

Specifies the virtual address of the process heap

pr_brksize

Specifies the size, in bytes, of the process heap

Note: The address formed by the sum of the **pr_brkbase** and **pr_brksize** is the process **break** (see the **brk** subroutine).

pr_stkbase

Specifies the virtual address of the process stack

pr_stksize

Specifies the size, in bytes, of the process stack

Note: Each thread runs on a separate stack. The operating system grows the process stack as necessary.

pr_pid

Specifies the process ID

pr_ppid

Specifies the parent process ID

pr_pgid

Specifies the process group ID

pr_sid

Specifies the session ID of the process

pr_utime

Specifies the user CPU time consumed by the process

pr_stime

Specifies the system CPU process time consumed by the process

pr_cutime

Specifies the cumulative user CPU time consumed by the children of the process, expressed in seconds and nanoseconds

pr_cstime

Specifies the cumulative system CPU time, in seconds and nanoseconds, consumed by the process's children

pr_sigtrace

Specifies the set of signals that are being traced (see the **PCSTRACE** signal)

pr_fltrtrace

Specifies the set of hardware faults that are being traced (see the **PCSFault** signal)

pr_sysentry_offset

If non-zero, contains offsets into the *status* file to the **sysset_t** sets of system calls being traced on system call entry (see the **PCSENTRY** signal). This flag is zero if system call tracing is not active for the process.

pr_sysexit_offset

If non-zero, contains offsets into the *status* file to the **sysset_t** sets of system calls being traced on system call exit (see the **PCSEXIT** signal). This field is zero if system call tracing is not active for the process.

pr_lwp

If the process is not a zombie, contains an **lwpstatus_t** structure describing a representative thread. The contents of this structure have the same meaning as if it was read from a **lwpstatus** file.

psinfo

Contains information about the process needed by the **ps** command. If the process contains more than one thread, a representative thread is used to derive the **lwpsinfo** information. The file is formatted as a **struct psinfo** type and contains the following members:

```
uint32_t pr_flag;           /* process flags from proc struct p_flag */
uint32_t pr_flag2;          /* process flags from proc struct p_flag2 */
uint32_t pr_nlwp;           /* number of threads in process */
uid_t pr_uid;               /* real user id */
uid_t pr_euid;              /* effective user id */
gid_t pr_gid;               /* real group id */
gid_t pr_egid;              /* effective group id */
uint32_t pr_argc;           /* initial argument count */
pid64_t pr_pid;             /* unique process id */
pid64_t pr_ppid;            /* process id of parent */
pid64_t pr_pgid;            /* pid of process group leader */
pid64_t pr_sid;             /* session id */
dev64_t pr_ttydev;          /* controlling tty device */
prptr64_t pr_addr;          /* internal address of proc struct */
uint64_t pr_size;           /* size of process image in KB (1024) units */
uint64_t pr_rssize;         /* resident set size in KB (1024) units */
struct pr_timestruc64_t pr_start; /* process start time, time since epoch */
struct pr_timestruc64_t pr_time; /* usr+sys cpu time for this process */
prptr64_t pr_argv;          /* address of initial argument vector in
                             user process */
prptr64_t pr_envp;          /* address of initial environment vector
                             in user process */
char pr_fname[PRFNSZ];      /* last component of exec()ed pathname */
char pr_psargs[PRARGSZ];    /* initial characters of arg list */
uint64_t pr__pad[8];         /* reserved for future use */
struct lwpsinfo pr_lwp;      /* "representative" thread info */
```

Note: Some of the entries in the **psinfo** file, such as **pr_flag**, **pr_flag2**, and **pr_addr**, refer to internal kernel data structures and might not retain their meanings across different versions of the operating system. They mean nothing to a program and are only useful for manual interpretation by a user aware of the implementation details.

The **psinfo** file is accessible after a process becomes a zombie.

The **pr_lwp** flag describes the representative thread chosen. If the process is a zombie, the **pr_nlwp** and **pr_lwp.pr_lwpid** flags are zero and the other fields of **pr_lwp** are undefined.

map

Contains information about the virtual address map of the process. The file contains an array of **prmap** structures, each of which describes a contiguous virtual address region in the address space of the traced process.

Note: The **map** file might contain entries only for the virtual address regions of the process that contain the objects that are loaded into the process.

The **prmap** structure contains the following members:

```
uint64_t pr_size;           /* size of mapping in bytes */
prptr64_t pr_vaddr;         /* virtual address base */
char pr_mapname[PRMAPSZ];   /* name in the /proc/pid/object object */
uint64_t pr_off;            /* offset to the mapped object, if any */
uint32_t pr_mflags;         /* protection and attribute flags */
uint32_t pr_pathoff;        /* if map indicates the entry for a loaded object,
                             * offset points to a null-terminated path name followed
                             * by a null-terminated member name.
                             * If the offset is mapped to a file and it is not an
                             * archive file, the member name is null.
                             * The offset is 0 if map entry is
                             * not applicable for a loaded object. */
int32_t pr_shmid;           /* shared memory ID for the MA_SHM or
                             * MA_RTSHM region.
                             * <0 indicates that the shared memory ID is not
                             * available. */
```

```

dev64_t pr_dev;          /* the dev_t data structure for the MA_FILEMAP file.
                        * -1 indicates that the dev_t is not available
                        * -2 indicates that the file is on remote filesystem,
                        * -3 indicates that the file is in a WPAR.
*/
ino64_t pr_ino;          /* The inode datastructure for the MA_FILEMAP file.
                        * -1 indicates that the ino_t data structure is not
                        * available */
vmid64_t pr_vsid;        /* virtual segment ID for the first segment
                        * in the region. */

```

The members are described below:

pr_vaddr

Specifies the virtual address of the mapping within the traced process

pr_size

Specifies the size of the mapping within the traced process

pr_mapname

If not an empty string, contains the name of a file that resides in the **object** directory and contains a file descriptor for the object to which the virtual address is mapped. The file is opened with the **open** subroutine.

pr_off

Contains the offset within the mapped object (if any) to which the virtual address is mapped

pr_pathoff

If non-zero, contains an offset into the **map** file to the path name and archive member name of a loaded object

pr_mflags

Specifies a bit-mask of protection and the following attribute flags:

MA_MAINEXEC

Indicates that mapping applies to the main executable in the process.

MA_BREAK

Indicates that mapping applies to the program data and heap ranges in the process.

MA_STACK

Indicates that the mapping applies to stack range in the process.

MA_MMAP

Indicates that mapping applies to an object that is mapped to the process by using the [mmap](#) subroutine.

MA_RTSHM

- Indicates that mapping applies to POSIX real-time objects that are created by the [shm_open](#) subroutine.
- These objects are mapped to the process by using the [mmap](#) subroutine.

MA_SHM

Indicates that mapping applies to an object that is mapped to the process by using the [shmat](#) subroutine.

MA_FILEMAP

Indicates that mapping applies to a file object that is mapped to the process by using the [mmap](#) subroutine or the [shmat](#) subroutine.

MA_WORK

Indicates that mapping applies to memory that is mapped to the process by the loader or by other kernel subsystem.

MA_RMMAP

Indicates that mapping applies to a memory or I/O region that is mapped into the process by using the [rmmmap_create](#) subroutine.

MA_KERNTEXT

Indicates that mapping applies to kernel memory that is mapped to the process.

MA_PS4K

Indicates that mapping is supported by 4 KB blocks of physical memory.

MA_PS64K

Indicates that mapping is supported by 64 KB blocks of physical memory.

MA_PS16M

Indicates that mapping is supported by 16 MB blocks of physical memory.

MA_PS16G

Indicates that mapping is supported by 16 GB blocks of physical memory.

MA_READ

Indicates that mapping is readable by the traced process.

MA_WRITE

Indicates that mapping is writable by the traced process.

MA_EXEC

Indicates that mapping is executable by the traced process.

MA_SHARED

Indicates that mapping changes are shared by the mapped object.

pr_shmid

For the MA_SHM mapping, contains the System V shared memory ID of the mapping. Use the **ipcs -m** command to display the shared memory IDs.

pr_dev

For the MA_FILEMAP mapping, contains the device ID number of the mapped file.

pr_ino

For MA_FILEMAP mapping, contains the inode number of the mapped file relative to the device ID in the **pr_dev** field.

pr_vsuid

Contains the first Virtual Memory Manager segment ID in the mapping.

A contiguous area of the address space having the same underlying mapped object may appear as multiple mappings because of varying read, write, execute, and shared attributes. The underlying mapped object does not change over the range of a single mapping. An I/O operation to a mapping marked **MA_SHARED** fails if applied at a virtual address not corresponding to a valid page in the underlying mapped object. Read and write operations to private mappings always succeed. Read and write operations to unmapped addresses always fail.

cred

Contains a description of the credentials associated with the process. The file is formatted as a **struct prcred** type and contains the following members:

```
uid_t    pr_euid;           /* effective user id */
uid_t    pr_ruid;          /* real user id */
uid_t    pr_suid;          /* saved user id (from exec) */
gid_t    pr_egid;          /* effective group id */
gid_t    pr_rgid;          /* real group id */
gid_t    pr_sgid;          /* saved group id (from exec) */
uint32_t pr_ngroups;       /* number of supplementary groups */
gid_t    pr_groups[1];     /* array of supplementary groups */
```

sysent

Contains information about the system calls available to the process. The file can be used to find the number of a specific system call to trace. It can be used to find the name of a system call associated with a system call number returned in a **lwpstatus** file.

The file consists of a header section followed by an array of entries, each of which corresponds to a system call provided to the process. Each array entry contains the system call number and an offset into the **sysent** file to that system call's null-terminated name.

The **sysent** file is characterized by the following attributes:

- The system call names are the actual kernel name of the exported system call.

- The entries in the array do not have any specific ordering.
- There may be gaps in the system call numbers.
- Different processes may have different system call names and numbers, especially between a 32-bit process and a 64-bit process. Do not assume that the same names or numbers cross different processes.
- The set of system calls may change during while the operating system is running. You can add system calls while the operating system is running.
- The names and numbers of the system calls may change within different releases or when service is applied to the system.

cwd

A link that provides access to the current working directory of the process. Any process can access the current working directory of the process through this link, provided it has the necessary permissions.

fd

Contains files for all open file descriptors of the process. Each entry is a decimal number corresponding to an open file descriptor in the process. If an entry refers to a regular file, it can be opened with normal file semantics. To ensure that the controlling process cannot gain greater access, there are no file access modes other than its own read/write open modes in the controlled process. Directories will be displayed as links. An attempt to open any other type of entry will fail (hence it will display 0 permission when listed).

object

A directory containing read-only files with names as they appear in the entries of the **map** file, corresponding to objects mapped into the address space of the target process. Opening such a file yields a descriptor for the mapped file associated with a particular address-space region. The name **a.out** also appears in the directory as a synonym for the executable file associated with the text of the running process.

The object directory makes it possible for a controlling process to get access to the object file and any shared libraries (and consequently the symbol tables), without the process first obtaining the specific path names of those files.

root

A link that provides access to the current root directory of the process. Any process can access the current root directory of the process through this link, provided that the process (that is attempting to access the root directory) has the necessary permissions.

mmap

A file that contains an array of `stat64x` structures. Each structure describes information about a file that is associated with a memory-mapped area that is owned by the process.

lwp

A directory containing entries each of which names a kernel thread within the containing process. The names of entries in this directory are thread ID (tid) numbers. These entries are directories containing additional files described below.

The /proc/pid/lwp/tid Structure

The directory **/proc/pid/lwp/tid** contains the following entries:

lwpctl

This is a write-only control file. The messages written to this file affect only the associated thread rather than the process as a whole (where appropriate).

lwpstatus

Contains thread-specific state information. This information is also present in the **status** file of the process for its representative thread. The file is formatted as a **struct lwpstatus** and contains the following members:

```
uint64_t pr_lwpid;           /* specific thread id */
uint32_t pr_flags;          /* thread status flags */
char pr_state;              /* thread state - from thread.h t_state */
uint16_t pr_cursig;         /* current signal */
```

```

uint16_t pr_why;           /* reason for stop (if stopped) */
uint16_t pr_what;          /* more detailed reason */
uint32_t pr_policy;        /* scheduling policy */
char pr_clname[PRCLSZ];    /* printable character representing pr_policy */
pr_sigset_t pr_lwppend;    /* set of signals pending to the thread */
pr_sigset_t pr_lwphold;    /* set of signals blocked by the thread */
pr_siginfo64_t pr_info;    /* info associated with signal or fault */
pr_stack64_t pr_altstack;  /* alternate signal stack info */
struct pr_sigaction64 pr_action; /* signal action for current signal */
uint16_t pr_syscall;       /* system call number (if in syscall) */
uint16_t pr_nsysarg;       /* number of arguments to this syscall */
uint64_t pr_sysarg[PRSYSARGS]; /* arguments to this syscall */
prgregset_t pr_reg;        /* general and special registers */
prfpregset_t pr_fpreg;     /* floating point registers */
pfamily_t pr_family;       /* hardware platform specific information */

```

The members of the **lwpstatus** file are described below:

pr_flags

Specifies a bit-mask holding these flags:

PR_STOPPED

Indicates that the thread is stopped

PR_ISTOP

Indicates that the thread is stopped on an event of interest (see the **PCSTOP** signal)

PR_DSTOP

Indicates that the thread has a stop directive in effect (see the **PCSTOP** signal)

PR_ASLEEP

Thread is in an interruptible sleep within a system call

PR_NOREGS

No register state was provided for the thread

pr_why and pr_what

Provides the reason for why a thread was stopped. The following are possible values of the **pr_why** member:

PR_REQUESTED

Shows that the thread was stopped in response to a stop directive, normally because the **PCSTOP** signal was applied or because another thread stopped on an event of interest and the asynchronous-stop flag (see the **PCSET** signal) was not set for the process. The **pr_what** member is unused in this case.

PR_SIGNALLED

Shows that the thread stopped on receipt of a signal (see the **PCSTRACE** signal). The **pr_what** signal holds the signal number that caused the stop (for a newly-stopped thread, the same value is given with the **pr_cursig** member).

PR_FAULTED

Shows that the thread stopped upon incurring a hardware fault (see the **PCSFAULT** signal). The **pr_what** member contains the fault number that caused the stop.

PR_SYSENTRY

Shows a stop on entry to a system call (see the **PCSENTRY** signal). The **pr_what** member contains the system call number.

PR_SYSEXIT

Shows a stop on exit from a system call (see the **PCSEXIT** signal). The **pr_what** contains the system call number.

PR_JOBCONTROL

Shows that the thread stopped because of the default action of a job control stop signal (see the **sigaction** subroutine). The **pr_what** member contains the stopping signal number.

pr_lwpid

Names the specific thread I/O

pr_cursig

Names the current signal, which is the next signal to be delivered to the thread. When the thread is stopped by the **PR_SIGNALED** or **PR_FAULTED** signal, the **pr_info** member contains additional information pertinent to the particular signal or fault. The amount of data contained in the **pr_info** member depends on the stop type and whether or not the application specified the **SA_SIGINFO** flag when the signal handler was established. For **PR_FAULTED** stops and **PR_SIGNALED** stops when the **SA_SIGINFO** flag was not specified, only the **si_signo**, **si_code**, and **si_addr** **pr_info** fields contain data. For **PR_SIGNALED** stops when the **SA_SIGINFO** flag is specified, the other **pr_info** fields contain data as well.

pr_action

Contains the signal action information about the current signal. This member is undefined if the **pr_cursig** member is zero. See the [sigaction](#) subroutine.

pr_lwppend

Identifies any synchronously generated or thread-directed signals pending for the thread. It does not include signals pending at the process level.

pr_altstack

Contains the alternate signal stack information for the thread. See the [sigaltstack](#) subroutine.

pr_syscall

Specifies the number of the system call, if any, that is being executed by the thread. It is non-zero if and only if the thread is stopped on **PR_SYSENTRY** or **PR_SYSEXIT**.

If the **pr_syscall** member is non-zero, the **pr_nsysarg** member is the number of arguments to the system call and the **pr_sysarg** array contains the arguments. The **pr_nsysarg** member is always set to 8, the maximum number of system call parameters. The **pr_sysarg** member always contain eight arguments.

pr_clname

Contains the name of the scheduling class of the thread

pr_reg

Structure containing the threads general and special registers. The size and field names of this structure are machine dependent. See the `<sys/m_procfs.h>` header file for description of this structure for your particular machine. The contents of this structure are undefined if the thread is not stopped.

pr_fpreg

Structure containing the threads floating point registers. The size and field names of this structure are machine dependent. The contents of this structure are undefined if the thread is not stopped.

pr_family

Contains the machine-specific information about the thread. Use of this field is not portable across different architectures. The **pr_family** structure contains extended context offset and size fields, which, if non-zero, indicate the availability of extended machine context information for the thread. A subsequent read of the **status** or **lwppstatus** file at the specified offset and size will retrieve the extended context information corresponding to a **prextset** structure. Alternatively, the entire **lwppstatus** file can be read and formatted as a **struct lwppstatusx**, which includes the **prextset** extension. The **pr_family** extended context offset and size members, if non-zero, indicate if the **prextset** member of the **lwppstatusx** structure is valid.

lwpsinfo

Contains information about the thread needed by the **ps** command. This information is also present in the **psinfo** file of the process for its representative thread if it has one. The file is formatted as a **struct lwpsinfo** type containing the following members:

```
uint64_t pr_lwpid;      /* thread id */
prptr64_t pr_addr;      /* internal address of thread */
prptr64_t pr_wchan;      /* wait addr for sleeping thread */
uint32_t pr_flag;       /* thread flags */
uchar_t pr_wtype;       /* type of thread wait */
uchar_t pr_state;       /* numeric scheduling state */
char pr_sname;          /* printable character representing pr_state */
uchar_t pr_nice;        /* nice for cpu usage */
```

```

int      pr_pri;                /* priority, high value = high priority*/
uint32_t pr_policy;            /* scheduling policy */
char     pr_clname[PRCLSZ];    /* printable character representing pr_policy */
cpu_t    pr_onpro;             /* processor on which thread last ran */
cpu_t    pr_bindpro;           /* processor to which thread is bound */

```

Some of the entries in the **lwpsinfo** file, such as **pr_flag**, **pr_addr**, **pr_state**, **pr_wtype**, and **pr_wchan**, refer to internal kernel data structures and should not be expected to retain their meanings across different versions of the operating system. They have no meaning to a program and are only useful for manual interpretation by a user aware of the implementation details.

Control Messages

Process state changes are effected through messages written to the **ctl** file of the process or to the **lwpcctl** file of an individual thread. All control messages consist of an **int** operation code identifying the specific operation followed by additional data containing operands (if any). Multiple control messages can be combined in a single **write** subroutine to a control file, but no partial writes are permitted. Each control message (operation code plus operands) must be presented in its entirety to the **write** subroutine, not in pieces through several system calls.

The following are allowed control messages:

Note: Writing a message to a control file for a process or thread that has already exited elicits the error **ENOENT**.

PCSTOP, PCDSTOP, PCWSTOP

When applied to the process control file,

- **PCSTOP** directs all threads to stop and waits for them to stop;
- **PCDSTOP** directs all threads to stop without waiting for them to stop;
- **PCWSTOP** simply waits for all threads to stop.

When applied to a thread control file,

- **PCSTOP** directs the specific thread to stop and waits until it has stopped;
- **PCDSTOP** directs the specific thread to stop without waiting for it to stop;
- **PCWSTOP** simply waits for the thread to stop.

When applied to a thread control file, **PCSTOP** and **PCWSTOP** complete when the thread stops on an event of interest and immediately if the thread is already stopped.

When applied to the process control file, **PCSTOP** and **PCWSTOP** complete when every thread has stopped on an event of interest.

An *event of interest* is either a **PR_REQUESTED** stop or a stop that has been specified in the process's tracing flags (set by **PCSTRACE**, **PCSFault**, **PCSENTRY**, and **PCSEXIT**). **PR_JOBCONTROL** and **PR_SUSPENDED** stops are not events of interest. (A thread may stop twice because of a stop signal; first showing **PR_SIGNALED** if the signal is traced and again showing **PR_JOBCONTROL** if the thread is set running without clearing the signal.) If **PCSTOP** or **PCDSTOP** is applied to a thread that is stopped, but not because of an event of interest, the stop directive takes effect when the thread is restarted by the competing mechanism; at that time the thread enters a **PR_REQUESTED** stop before executing any user-level code.

A **write** operation of a control message that blocks is interruptible by a signal so that, for example, an **alarm** subroutine can be set to avoid waiting for a process or thread that may never stop on an event of interest. If **PCSTOP** is interrupted, the thread stop directives remain in effect even though the **write** subroutine returns an error.

A kernel process (indicated by the **PR_ISSYS** flag) is never executed at user level and cannot be stopped. It has no user-level address space visible through the **/proc** file system. Applying **PCSTOP**, **PCDSTOP**, or **PCWSTOP** to a system process or any of its threads elicits the error **EBUSY**.

PCRUN

Executes a thread again after it was stopped. The operand is a set of flags, contained in an **int** operand, describing optional additional actions.

The allowed flags for **PCRUN** are described below:

PRCSIG

Clears the current signal, if any. See **PCSSIG**.

PRCFAULT

Clears the current fault, if any. See **PCCFAULT**.

PRSTEP

Directs the thread to execute a single machine instruction. On completion of the instruction, a trace trap occurs. If **FLTTRACE** is being traced, the thread stops, otherwise it is sent **SIGTRAP**. If **SIGTRAP** is being traced and not held, the thread stops. When the thread stops on an event of interest the single-step directive is cancelled, even if the stop occurs before the instruction is executed.

PRSABORT

Instructs the thread to abort execution of the system call. See **PCSENTRY**, and **PCSEXIT**. It is significant only if the thread is in a **PR_SYSENTRY** stop or is marked **PR_ASLEEP**.

PRSTOP

Directs the thread to stop again as soon as possible after resuming execution. See **PCSTOP**. In particular, if the thread is stopped on **PR_SIGNALLED** or **PR_FAULTED**, the next stop shows **PR_REQUESTED**, no other stop intervenes, and the thread does not execute any user-level code.

When applied to a thread control file, **PCRUN** makes the specific thread runnable. The operation fails and returns the error **EBUSY** if the specific thread is not stopped on an event of interest.

When applied to the process control file, a representative thread is chosen for the operation as described for the **/proc/pid/status** file. The operation fails and returns the error **EBUSY** if the representative thread is not stopped on an event of interest. If **PRSTEP** or **PRSTOP** were requested, **PCRUN** makes the representative thread runnable. Otherwise, the chosen thread is marked **PR_REQUESTED**. If as a result all threads are in the **PR_REQUESTED** stop state, they all become runnable.

Once **PCRUN** makes a thread runnable, it is no longer stopped on an event of interest, even if it remains stopped because of a competing mechanism.

PCSTRACE

Defines a set of signals to be traced in the process. Upon receipt of one of these signals, the thread stops. The set of signals is defined using an operand **pr_sigset_t** contained in the control message. Receipt of **SIGKILL** cannot be traced. If you specify **SIGKILL**, the thread ignores it.

If a signal that is included in a thread's held signal set is sent to that thread, the signal is not received and does not cause a stop until it is removed from the held signal set. Either the thread itself removes it or you remove it by setting the held signal set with **PCSHOLD** or the **PRSHOLD** option of **PCRUN**.

PCSSIG

Specifies the current signal and its associated signal information for the specific thread or representative thread. This information is set according with the operand **pr_siginfo64** structure. If the specified signal number is zero, the current signal is cleared. The error **EBUSY** is returned if the thread is not stopped on an event of interest.

The syntax of this operation are different from those of the **kill** subroutine, **pthread__kill** subroutine, or **PCKILL**. With **PCSSIG**, the signal is delivered to the thread immediately after execution is resumed (even if the signal is being held) and an additional **PR_SIGNALLED** stop does not intervene even if the signal is being traced. Setting the current signal to **SIGKILL** ends the process immediately.

PCKILL

If applied to the process control file, a signal is sent to the process with syntax identical to those of the **kill** subroutine. If applied to a thread control file, a signal is sent to the thread with syntax identical to those of the **pthread__kill** subroutine. The signal is named in an operand **int** contained in the message. Sending **SIGKILL** ends the process or thread immediately.

PCUNKILL

Specifies a signal to be removed from the set of pending signals. If applied to the process control file, the signal is deleted from the process's pending signals. If applied to a thread control file, the signal is deleted from the thread's pending signals. The current signal (if any) is unaffected. The signal is named in an operand **int** in the control message. An attempt to delete **SIGKILL** results in the error **EINVAL**.

PCSHOLD

Sets the set of held signals for the specific or representative thread according to the operand **sigset_t** structure. Held signals are those whose delivery is delayed if sent to the thread. **SIGKILL** or **SIGSTOP** cannot be held. If specified, they are silently ignored.

PCSFault

Defines a set of hardware faults to be traced in the process. When incurring one of these faults, a thread stops. The set is defined via the operand **fltset_t** structure. Fault names are defined in the `<sys/procfs.h>` file and include the following:

Note: Some of these may not occur on all processors; other processor-specific faults may exist in addition to those described here.

FLTILL

Illegal instruction

FLTPRIV

Privileged instruction

FLTBPT

Breakpoint trap

FLTTRACE

Trace trap

FLTACCESS

Memory access fault (bus error)

FLTBOUNDS

Memory bounds violation

FLTIOVF

Integer overflow

FLTIZDIV

Integer zero divide

FLTTFPE

Floating-point exception

FLTSTACK

Unrecoverable stack fault

When not traced, a fault normally results in the posting of a signal to the thread that incurred the fault. If a thread stops on a fault, the signal is posted to the thread when execution is resumed unless the fault is cleared by **PCCFAULT** or by the **PRCFault** option of **PCRUN**. The **pr_info** field in `/proc/pid/status` or in `/proc/pid/lwp/tid/lwpstatus` identifies the signal to be sent and contains machine-specific information about the fault.

PCCFAULT

Specifies the current fault, if any, to be cleared. The associated signal is not sent to the specified thread or representative thread.

PCSENTRY

Instructs the process's threads to stop on entry to specified system calls. The set of system calls to be traced is defined via an operand **sysset_t** structure. When entry to a system call is being traced, a thread stops after having begun the call to the system but before the system call arguments have been fetched from the thread.

If a thread is stopped on entry to a system call (**PR_SYSENTRY**) or when sleeping in an interruptible system call (**PR_ASLEEP** is set), it may be instructed to go directly to system call exit by specifying the

PR SABORT flag in a **PCRUN** control message. Unless exit from the system call is being traced, the thread returns to user level showing error **EINTR**.

PCSEXIT

Instructs the process's threads to stop on exit from specified system calls. The set of system calls to be traced is defined via an operand **sysset_t** structure. When exit from a system call is being traced, a thread stops on completion of the system call just before checking for signals and returning to user level. At this point, all return values have been stored into the threads's registers.

PCSET, PCRESET, PCUNSET

PCSET sets one or more modes of operation for the traced process. **PCRESET** or **PCUNSET** resets these modes. The modes to be set or reset are specified by flags in an operand **int** in the control message:

PR_FORK (inherit-on-fork)

When set, the tracing flags of the process are inherited by the child of a **fork** or **vfork** subroutine. When reset, child processes start with all tracing flags cleared.

PR_RLC (run-on-last-close)

When set and the last writable **/proc** file descriptor referring to the traced process or any of its thread is closed, all the tracing flags of the process are cleared, any outstanding stop directives are cancelled, and if any threads are stopped on events of interest, they are set running as though **PCRUN** had been applied to them. When reset, the process's tracing flags are retained and threads are not set running on last close.

PR_KLC (kill-on-last-close)

When set and the last writable **/proc** file descriptor referring to the traced process or any of its threads is closed, the process is exited with **SIGKILL**.

PR_ASYNC (asynchronous-stop)

When set, a stop on an event of interest by one thread does not directly affect other threads in the process. When reset and a thread stops on an event of interest other than **PR_REQUESTED**, all other threads in the process are directed to stop.

The error **EINVAL** is returned if you specify flags other than those described above or to apply these operations to a system process. The current modes are reported in the **pr_flags** field of the **/proc/pid/status** file.

PCSREG

Sets the general and special registers for the specific or representative thread according to the operand **prgregset_t** structure. There may be machine-specific restrictions on the allowable set of changes. **PCSREG** fails and returns the error **EBUSY** if the thread is not stopped on an event of interest or is stopped in the kernel.

PCSFPRREG

Sets the floating point registers for the specific or representative thread according to the operand **fpregset_t** structure. The error **EINVAL** is returned if the system does not support floating-point operations (no floating-point hardware and the system does not emulate floating-point machine instructions). **PCSFPRREG** fails and returns the error **EBUSY** if the thread is not stopped on an event of interest or is stopped in the kernel.

PCSVREG

Sets the vector registers for the specific or representative thread according to the operand **prvregset_t** structure. The error **EINVAL** is returned if the system does not support vector operations (no vector hardware and the system does not emulate vector machine instructions), or if the representative thread has not referenced the vector unit. **PCSVREG** fails and returns the error **EBUSY** if the thread is not stopped on an event of interest or is stopped in the kernel.

PCNICE

The traced process's **nice** priority is incremented by the amount contained in the operand **int**. Only the superuser may better a process's priority in this way, but any user may make the priority worse. This operation is significant only when applied to a process in the time-sharing scheduling class.

Files

Item	Description
/proc	Directory (list of processes)
/proc/<i>pid</i>	Directory for the process <i>pid</i>
/proc/<i>pid</i>/status	Status of process <i>pid</i>
/proc/<i>pid</i>/ctl	Control file for process <i>pid</i>
/proc/<i>pid</i>/psinfo	ps info for process <i>pid</i>
/proc/<i>pid</i>/as	Address space of process <i>pid</i>
/proc/<i>pid</i>/map	as map info for process <i>pid</i>
/proc/<i>pid</i>/cred	Credentials information for process <i>pid</i>
/proc/<i>pid</i>/object	Directory for objects for process <i>pid</i>
/proc/<i>pid</i>/root	Link to the current root directory for process <i>pid</i>
/proc/<i>pid</i>/mmap	Memory-mapped files information for process <i>pid</i>
/proc/<i>pid</i>/sigact	Signal actions for process <i>pid</i>
/proc/<i>pid</i>/sysent	System call information for process <i>pid</i>
/proc/<i>pid</i>/cwd	Link to the current working directory for process <i>pid</i>
/proc/<i>pid</i>/fd	Directory for open file descriptors for process <i>pid</i>
/proc/<i>pid</i>/lwp/<i>tid</i>	Directory for thread <i>tid</i>
proc/<i>pid</i>/lwp/<i>tid</i>/lwpstatus	Status of thread <i>tid</i>
/proc/<i>pid</i>/lwp/<i>tid</i>/lwpctl	Control file for thread <i>tid</i>
/proc/<i>pid</i>/lwp/<i>tid</i>/lwpsinfo	ps info for thread <i>tid</i>

Error Codes

Other errors can occur in addition to the errors normally associated with file system access:

Error Code	Description
ENOENT	The traced process or thread has exited after being opened.
EFAULT	A read or write request was begun at an invalid virtual address.
EIO	A write subroutine was attempted at an illegal address in the traced process.

Error Code

EBUSY

Description

This error is returned because of one of the following reasons:

- **PCSTOP**, **PCDSTOP** or **PCWSTOP** was applied to a system process.
- An exclusive **open** subroutine was attempted on a process file already open for writing.
- **PCRUN**, **PCSSIG**, **PCSREG** or **PCSFREG** was applied to a process or thread that was not stopped on an event of interest.
- An attempt was made to mount the **/proc** file system when it is already mounted.

EPERM

Someone other than the privileged user attempted to better a process's priority by issuing **PCNICE**.

ENOSYS

An attempt was made to do an unsupported operation (such as create, remove, link, or unlink) on an entry in the **/proc** file system.

EINVAL

An invalid argument was supplied to a system call. The following are some—but not all—possible conditions that can elicit this error:

- A control message operation code is undefined.
- A control message is ill-formed.
- The **PRSTEP** option of the **PCRUN** operation was used on an implementation that does not support single-stepping.
- An out of range signal number was specified with **PCSSIG**, **PCKILL**, or **PCUNKILL**.
- **SIGKILL** was specified with **PCUNKILL**.
- **PCSFREG** was applied on a machine without floating-point support.
- **PCSVREG** was applied on a machine without vector support or was applied to a thread that has not referenced the vector unit.

EINTR

A signal was received by the controlling process while waiting for the traced process or thread to stop via **PCSTOP** or **PCWSTOP**.

EBADF

The traced process performed an **exec** subroutine on a **setuid/setgid** object file or on an object file that is not readable for the process. All further operations on the process or thread file descriptor (except the **close** subroutine) elicit this error.

Security

The effect of a control message is guaranteed to be atomic with respect to the traced process.

For security reasons, except for the privileged user, an **open** subroutine of a **/proc** file fails unless both the effective user ID and effective group ID of the caller match those of the traced process and the process's object file is readable by the caller. Files corresponding to **setuid** and **setgid** processes can be opened only by the privileged user. Even if held by the privileged user, an open process or thread file descriptor

becomes invalid if the traced process performs an **exec** subroutine on a setuid/setgid object file or on an object file that it cannot read. Any operation performed on an invalid file descriptor, except for the **close** subroutine, fails with **EBADF**. In this case, if any tracing flags are set and the process or any thread file is open for writing, the process is directed to stop and its run-on-last-close flag is set (see **PCSET**).

This feature enables a controlling process (that has the necessary permission) to reopen the process file to obtain new valid file descriptors, close the invalid file descriptors, and proceed. Just closing the invalid file descriptors causes the traced process to resume execution with no tracing flags set. Any process that is not currently open for writing with tracing flags left over from a previous **open** subroutine and that performs an **exec** subroutine on a setuid/setgid or unreadable object file is not stopped. However, that process does not have all its tracing flags cleared.

proxy.ldif.template File

Purpose

Defines the ACL that will be set for the proxy identity when the `mksecdap` command is invoked with the `-x` and `-X` command options.

Description

The `proxy.ldif.template` file contains LDAP data interchange formatted (LDIF) entries used by `mksecdap` when creating a proxy identity during server setup. By default, the file contains entries to create the proxy identity and password and set the default ACL to propagate down from the base DN (distinguished name).

Entries in the file may be modified or added by the system administrator to customize the LDAP server setup performed by the `mksecdap` command. Several case sensitive key words exist in the file that are dynamically replaced with the values that `mksecdap` is invoked with as described in the following table.

Keyword	Substitution
{baseDN}	Replaced with base distinguished name specified by the <code>-d</code> option of the <code>mksecdap</code> command.
{proxyDN}	Replaced with proxy user distinguished name specified by the <code>-x</code> option of <code>mksecdap</code> .
{proxyUser}	Replaced with proxy user name (proxyDN stripped of suffix and prefix).
{proxyPWD}	Replaced with proxy user password specified by the <code>-X</code> option of <code>mksecdap</code> .

Related information

[mksecdap command](#)

[Lightweight Directory Access Protocol](#)

prtglobalconfig File

Purpose

Configures global configurations for AIX printing subsystem.

Description

The `/etc/prtglobalconfig` file describes the global printing configurations available for use which a root user or a user with proper privileges can set.

This file stores the configuration which affects the AIX printing subsystem. Any authorized user can configure the settings pertaining to printing subsystem. Currently only one property of the printing subsystem can be set using this command. This file consists of **<name>=<value>** pair. The name is the

setting and the value is the corresponding value for the setting. The following list shows the setting which can be set using this file.

1. ERRMSGCONTROL

This setting affects the global printer message. This setting can be used to select one of the following.

1. ALLON (All messages turned on).
2. LOGALL (All messages turned on, but logged to a log file). Currently not supported.
3. CRITON (Only the most critical error messages turned on). Currently this is the same as option 1.
4. ALLOFF (All messages turned off).

Examples

1. The file might contain the following to suppress all printer error messages:

```
ERRMSGCONTROL=ALLOFF
```

Note: Some messages generated by the printing subsystem cannot be ignored and are logged in the console log file.

Files

Item	Description
/etc/prtgglobalconfig	Contains the global configuration file.
/etc/prtglibconfig	Contains the program which can be used to configure the global printer configuration.
/dev/null	Provides access to the null device.
/etc/qconfig	Contains the configuration file.
/etc/qconfig.bin	Contains the digested, binary version of the /etc/qconfig file.

Related reference

[prtgglobalconfig File](#)

Related information

[qdaemon command](#)

[Printing administration](#)

pwdhist File

Purpose

Contains password history information.

Description

The **/etc/security/pwdhist.dir** and **/etc/security/pwdhist.pag** files are database files created and maintained by Database Manager (DBM) subroutines. The files maintain a list of previous user passwords.

The **pwdhist** files store information by user name. User names are the keys of the DBM subroutines. The password list contains multiple pairs of a **lastupdate** value and an encrypted, null-terminated password. This password list is a key's associated content and the **lastupdate** value is a 4-byte, unsigned long. The encrypted password is the size of the **PW_CRYPTLEN** value. Thus, an entry in the database file is of the following format:

```
lastupdatepasswordlastupdatepasswordlastupdatepassword...
d...
```

The password list is in descending chronological order, with the most recent password appearing first in the list.

To retrieve a user's password history, use the **dbm_fetch** subroutine. To delete a user's password history, use the **dbm_delete** subroutine.

Security

Access Control: The files grant read and write access only to the root user.

Examples

If user sally has the following previous passwords:

```
password = 6PugcayXL.1Rw ;
lastupdate = 737161212
```

```
password = r5MZvr69mGeLE ;
lastupdate = 746458629
```

the **dbm_fetch** subroutine returns the following entry for the key sally:

```
XXXXr5MZvr69mGeLEXXXX6PugcayXL.1Rw
```

where **XXXX** would be four bytes that can be copied into an unsigned long to get the last update time.

Related reference

[/etc/security/passwd File](#)
[user File](#)

Related information

[passwd command](#)

publickey File for NIS

Purpose

Contains public or secret keys for maps.

Description

The **/etc/publickey** file is the public key file used for secure networking. Each entry in the file consists of a network user name (which may refer to either a user or a host name), followed by the user's public key (in hex notation), a colon, and then the user's secret key encrypted with its login password (also in hex notation). This file is part of the Network Support Facilities.

This file is altered either by the user through the **chkey** command or by the person who administers the system through the **newkey** command. The **publickey** file should only contain data on the master server, where it is converted into the **publickey.byname** NIS map.

Related reference

[updaters File for NIS](#)

Related information

[chkey command](#)

[keylogin command](#)

[Network File System Overview](#)

[Network Information Service Overview](#)

/etc/security/pwldalg.cfg File

Purpose

Contains configuration information for loadable password algorithms (LPA).

Description

The **/etc/security/pwldalg.cfg** file is an ASCII file that contains stanzas of configuration information for loadable password algorithms (LPA). Each stanza has a name, followed by a colon (:), which defines an LPA. An LPA name is used in the **/etc/security/login.cfg** file to specify the default system-wide password algorithm. Attributes are in the form *Attribute=Value*. Each attribute ends with a newline character, and each stanza ends with an additional newline character. For an example of a stanza, see [“Examples” on page 268](#).

Attribute	Definition
lpa_module	Defines the path of the LPA to load. If you do not specify a full path, the /usr/lib/security directory is prefixed for 32-bit. The full path of the 64-bit load module is the full path of the 32-bit module suffixed with _64 .
lpa_options	Specifies an optional attribute that provides a means to communicate run-time configuration options to the load module. The value is a comma-separated list of items. Options that can be used are specific to the LPA that you specify in the lpa_module attribute. The optional flags for each LPA module are described in the product documentation for that LPA.

Security

Read and write access is granted to the root user and members of the security group.

Examples

The following example is a typical stanza:

```
*****
*
* /usr/lib/security/smd5 is a password hashing load module using
* the MD5 algorithm.
*
* It supports password length up to 255 characters.
*
* To generate smd5 password hash compatible to standard salted MD5,
* add the following option line for smd5 stanza.
*     lpa_options = std_hash=true
*
* Note: password hash generated with this option won't be compatible with
* hash generated without this option.
*
*****
smd5:
    lpa_module = /usr/lib/security/smd5

ssha256:
    lpa_module = /usr/lib/security/ssha
    lpa_options = algorithm=sha256,cost_num=9,salt_len=24
```

Files

Item	Description
/etc/security/pwldalg.cfg	Specifies the path to the file.

Item	Description
/etc/security/login.cfg	Contains configuration information for login and user authentication.
/etc/passwd	Contains the basic attributes of users.
/etc/security/passwd	Contains password information.

Related information

[chsec command](#)

[passwd command](#)

[crypt subroutine](#)

[Security](#)

qconfig File

Purpose

Configures a printer queuing system.

Description

The [/etc/qconfig](#) file describes the queues and devices available for use by both the [enq](#) command, which places requests on a queue, and the [qdaemon](#) command, which removes requests from the queue and processes them. The [qconfig](#) file is an attribute file.

Some stanzas in this file describe queues, and other stanzas describe devices. Every queue stanza requires that one or more device stanzas immediately follow it in the file. The first queue stanza describes the default queue. Unless the **LPDEST** or **PRINTER** environment variable is set, the **enq** command uses this queue when it receives no queue parameter. If **LPDEST** contains a value, that value takes precedence over the **PRINTER** environment variable. Destination command-line options always override both variables.

The name of a queue stanza can be from 1 to 20 characters long. Some of the fields and their possible values that can appear in this file are:

Field	Definition
acctfile	Identifies the file used to save print accounting information. FALSE , the default value, indicates suppress accounting. If the named file does not exist, no accounting is done.
device	Identifies the symbolic name that refers to the device stanza.
discipline	Defines the queue serving algorithm. The default value, fcfs, means first-come-first-served. sjn means shortest job next.
up	Defines the state of the queue. TRUE , the default value, indicates that the queue is running. FALSE indicates that it is not running.

Field	Definition
recovery_type	<p>Enables users to specify a recovery option when a print queue goes down. By default, the queue remains in the down state pending user intervention.</p> <p>Other options can be specified using the following values:</p> <p>runscript <PathName> A user-defined script is run when the queue goes down. The actions taken by the script are left to the discretion of the system administrator.</p> <p>retry -T <delay> -R <retries> The queue will stay down for the period of time specified in <i>delay</i> (expressed in minutes). Subsequently, it will be taken back up and the job will be retried. This is repeated up to the number of retries specified in <i>retries</i>. This is particularly useful in cases where job failures are due to temporary conditions likely to be resolved within the lapse of a certain time period (for example, a paper out condition or a temporary network glitch or slowdown).</p> <p>sendmail <username> The specified user will receive mail when the queue goes down notifying him or her that the specific printer is down.</p>

Note: **lp** is a BSD standard reserved queue name and should not be used as a queue name in the **qconfig** file.

The following list shows some of the fields and their possible values that appear in the **qconfig** file for remote queues:

Item	Description
host	Indicates the remote host where the remote queue is found.
s_statfilter	<p>Specifies the short version filter used to translate remote queue status format. The following are possible values:</p> <p>/usr/lib/lpd/bsdshort BSD remote system</p> <p>/usr/lib/lpd/aixv2short RT remote system</p> <p>/usr/lib/lpd/attshort AT&T remote system</p>
l_statfilter	<p>Specifies the long version filter used to translate remote queue status format. The following are possible values:</p> <p>/usr/lib/lpd/bsdlong BSD remote system</p> <p>/usr/lib/lpd/aixv2long RT remote system</p> <p>/usr/lib/lpd/attlong AT&T remote system</p>
rq	Specifies the remote queue name. In a remote print environment, the client configuration should specify the remote queue name or the server. Using the default remote queue name may cause unpredictable results.

If a field is omitted, its default value is assumed. The default values for a queue stanza are:

```
discipline = fcfs
up         = TRUE
acctfile   = FALSE
recovery_type = queuedown
```

The device field cannot be omitted.

The name of a device stanza is arbitrary and can be from 1 to 20 characters long. The fields that can appear in the stanza are:

Field	Definition
access	Specifies the type of access the backend has to the file specified by the file field. The value of access is write if the backend has write access to the file or both if it has both read and write access. This field is ignored if the file field has the value FALSE.
align	Specifies whether the backend sends a form-feed control before starting the job if the printer was idle. The default value is TRUE.
backend	Specifies the full path name of the backend, optionally followed by the flags and parameters to be passed to it. The path names most commonly used are /usr/lib/lpd/piobe for local print and /usr/lib/lpd/rembak for remote print.
feed	Specifies either the number of separator pages to print when the device becomes idle or the value never , the default, which indicates that the backend is not to print separator pages.
file	Identifies the special file where the output of backend is to be redirected. FALSE , the default value, indicates no redirection and that the file name is /dev/null . In this case, the backend opens the output file.
header	Specifies whether a header page prints before each job or group of jobs. A value of never , the default value, indicates no header page at all. always means a header page before each job. group means a header before each group of jobs for the same user. In a remote print environment, the default action is to print a header page and not to print a trailer page.
trailer	Specifies whether a trailer page prints after each job or group of jobs. A value of never , the default, means no trailer page at all. always means a trailer page after each job. group means a trailer page after each group of jobs for the same user. In a remote print environment, the default action is to print a header page and not to print a trailer page.

The **qdaemon** process places the information contained in the feed, header, trailer, and align fields into a status file that is sent to the backend. Backends that do not update the status file do not use the information it contains.

If a field is omitted, its default value is assumed. The backend field cannot be omitted. The default values in a device stanza are:

```
file      = FALSE
access    = write
feed      = never
header    = never
trailer   = never
align     = TRUE
```

The **enq** command automatically converts the ASCII **qconfig** file to binary format when the binary version is missing or older than the ASCII version. The binary version is found in the **/etc/qconfig.bin** file.

Note: The **qconfig** file should not be edited while there are active jobs in any queue. Any time the **qconfig** file is changed, jobs submitted prior to the change will be processed before jobs submitted after the change.

Editing includes both manual editing and use of the **mkque**, **rmque**, **chque**, **mkquedev**, **rmquedev**, or **chquedev** command. It is recommended that all changes to the **qconfig** file be made using these commands. However, if manual editing is desired, first issue the **enq -G** command to bring the queuing system and the **qdaemon** to a halt after all jobs are processed. Then edit the **qconfig** file and restart the **qdaemon** with the new configuration.

Examples

1. The batch queue supplied with the system might contain these stanzas:

```

bsh:
  discipline = fcfs
  device = bshdev
bshdev:
  backend = /usr/bin/ksh

```

To run a shell procedure called myproc using this batch queue, enter:

```
qprt -Pbsh myproc
```

The queuing system runs the files one at a time, in the order submitted. The **qdaemon** process redirects standard input, standard output, and standard error to the **/dev/null** file.

2. To allow two batch jobs to run at once, enter:

```

bsh:
  discipline = fcfs
  device = bsh1,bsh2
bsh1:
  backend = /usr/bin/ksh
bsh2:
  backend = /usr/bin/ksh

```

3. To set up a remote queue, bsh, enter:

```

remh:
  device = rd0
  host = pluto
  rq = bsh
rd0:
  backend = /usr/lib/lpd/rembak

```

4. To set a local queue such that mail is sent to user1@xyz.com when it goes down, enter:

```

ps:
  recovery_type = sendmail user1@xyz.com
  device = lp0
lp0:
  file = /dev/lp0
  header = never
  trailer = never
  access = both
  backend = /usr/lib/lpd/piobe

```

Files

Item	Description
/etc/qconfig	Contains the configuration file.
/etc/qconfig.bin	Contains the digested, binary version of the /etc/qconfig file.
<u>/dev/null</u>	Provides access to the null device.
<u>/usr/lib/lpd/piobe</u>	Specifies the path of the local printer backend.
<u>/usr/lib/lpd/rembak</u>	Specifies the path of the remote printer backend.
<u>/usr/lib/lpd/digest</u>	Contains the program that converts the /etc/qconfig file to binary format.

Related information

[enq command](#)

[qdaemon command](#)

[Print spooler](#)

raspertune File

Purpose

Contains persistent RAS customization.

Description

You can use the **/var/adm/ras/raspertune** file to specify persistent RAS attribute values, which are used when the system is rebooted, if the **bosboot** command is run after the file is modified.

This file consists of a series of control commands: the **ctctrl** command, the **dumpctrl** command, and the **errctrl** command. Other commands are not allowed. You must use the **-p** flag in each command. Otherwise, the **bosboot** command ignores the control command. You can continue lines by ending them with a backslash (****) character. Use rules for the **/bin/sh** file to quote command line arguments.

The file is automatically modified when you use a control command with the **-P** flag. You can also modify the file manually, but only when IBM Service personnel requests it.

Files

Item	Description
/var/adm/ras/raspertune	Specifies the path to the file.

Related information

[ctctrl command](#)

[dumpctrl command](#)

rc.boot File

Purpose

Controls the machine boot process.

Description



Attention: Executing the **rc.boot** script on a system that is already running may cause unpredictable results.

The **/sbin/rc.boot** file is a shell script that is called by the simple shell **init** and the standard **init** command to bring up a system. Depending upon the type of boot device, the **rc.boot** file configures devices and also calls the appropriate applications. Appropriate applications include:

- Booting from disk
- Varying on a root volume group
- Enabling file systems
- Calling the BOS installation programs or diagnostics

The **rc.boot** program is only called by an **init** process.

Files

Item	Description
/etc/inittab	Controls the initialization process.
/usr/lib/boot/ssh	Calls the rc.boot file.

Related information

[Systems that will not boot](#)

[Logical volume storage](#)

rc.tcpip File for TCP/IP

Purpose

Initializes daemons at each system restart.

Description

The **/etc/rc.tcpip** file is a shell script that, when executed, uses SRC commands to initialize selected daemons. The **rc.tcpip** shell script is automatically executed with each system restart. It can also be executed at any time from the command line.

Most of the daemons that can be initialized by the **rc.tcpip** file are specific to TCP/IP. These daemons are:

- **inetd** (started by default)
- **gated**
- **routed**
- **named**
- **timed**
- **rwhod**

Note: Running the **gated** and **routed** daemons at the same time on a host may cause unpredictable results.

There are also daemons specific to the base operating system or to other applications that can be started through the **rc.tcpip** file. These daemons are:

- **lpd**
- **portmap**
- **sendmail**
- **syslogd**

The **syslogd** daemon is started by default.

Examples

1. The following stanza starts the **syslogd** daemon:

```
#Start up syslog daemon (for err  
or and event logging)  
start /usr/sbin/syslogd "$src_running"
```

2. The following stanza starts the **lpd** daemon:

```
#Start up print daemon  
start /usr/sbin/lpd "$src_running"
```

3. The following stanza starts the **routed** daemon, but not the **gated** daemon:

```
#Start up routing daemon (only s  
tart ONE)  
start /usr/sbin/routed "$src_running" -g  
#start /usr/sbin/gated "$src_running"
```

Related information

[startsrc command](#)

realm.map File

Purpose

Contains the NFS local realm-to-domain maps.

Description

The `/etc/nfs/realm.map` file contains the local NFS realm-to-domain mappings. These mappings are used by NFS V4 to convert Kerberos principals to UNIX credentials. The `/etc/nfs/realm.map` file may be modified using the `chnfsrtd` command. The format of the `/etc/nfs/realm.map` file has one Kerberos realm and its corresponding NFS domain per line. A Kerberos realm should only be specified once in the file.

Files

Item	Description
<code>/etc/nfs/realm.map</code>	The <code>realm.map</code> file.

remote.unknown File for BNU

Purpose

Logs access attempts by unknown remote systems.

Description

The `/usr/sbin/uucp/remote.unknown` file is a shell script. It is executed by the Basic Networking Utilities (BNU) program when a remote computer that is not listed in the local `/etc/uucp/Permissions` file attempts to communicate with that local system. The BNU program does not permit the unknown remote system to connect with the local system. Instead, the `remote.unknown` shell procedure appends an entry to the `/var/spool/uucp/.Admin/Foreign` file.

Modify the `remote.unknown` file to fit the needs of your site. For example, to allow unknown systems to contact your system, remove the execute permissions for the `remote.unknown` file. You can also modify the shell script to send mail to the BNU administrator or to recognize certain systems and reject others.

Note: Only someone with root user authority can edit the `remote.unknown` file, which is owned by the `uucp` program login ID.

Files

Item	Description
<code>/usr/sbin/uucp/remote.unknown</code>	Contains the <code>remote.unknown</code> shell script.
<code>/etc/sbin/Permissions</code>	Describes access permissions for remote systems.
<code>/var/spool/uucp/.Admin/Foreign</code>	Lists access attempts by unknown systems.

Related information

[Basic Networking Utilities](#)

resource_data_input Information

Purpose

Provides information about using an input file for passing resource class and resource attribute names and values to the resource monitoring and control (RMC) command-line interface (CLI).

Description

You can specify the name of a resource data input file with the `-f` command-line flag to pass resource persistent attribute values to the RMC CLI when using the command line directly would be too cumbersome or too prone to typographical errors. The data in this file is used for defining resources or for changing the persistent attribute values of a resource or resource class. This file has no set location. It can be a temporary file or a permanent file, depending on requirements.

The `mkrsrc` and `chrsrc` commands read this file when they are issued with the `-f` flag. The `lsrsrcdef` and `lsactdef` commands generate a file with this format when issued with the `-i` flag.

PersistentResourceAttributes

Persistent attribute names and values for one or more resources for a specific resource class used to define a new resource or change attribute values for an existing resource. The persistent resource attributes are read in by the commands `mkrsrc` and `chrsrc`. These attributes are ignored if the input file is read by the `chrsrc` command that has been specified with the `-c` flag.

PersistentResourceClassAttributes

Persistent attribute names and values for a resource class used to change the attribute values of an existing resource class. The persistent resource class attributes are read in by the command `chrsrc` only when the `-c` flag is specified.

In general, a *resource_data_input* file is a flat text file with the following format. **Bold** words are literal. Text that precedes a single colon (:) is an arbitrary label and can be any alphanumeric text.

```
PersistentResourceAttributes::
# This is a comment
  label:
    AttrName1 = value
    AttrName2 = value
    AttrName3 = value
  another label:
    Name      = name
    NodeNumber = 1
    ::
PersistentResourceClassAttributes::
  label:
    SomeSettableAttrName      = value
    SomeOtherSettableAttrName = value
  ::
```

See the Examples section for more details.

Some notes about formatting follow:

- The keywords `PersistentResourceAttributes` and `PersistentResourceClassAttributes` are followed by a double colon (::).
- The order of the keyword stanzas is not significant in the file. For example, `PersistentResourceClassAttributes` could precede `PersistentResourceClass`. It does not affect the portion of the data that is read in by the calling CLI.
- Individual stanza headings (beneath the keywords) are followed by a single colon (:), for example: `c175n05 resource info:`
- White space at the beginning of lines is not significant. Tabs or spaces are suggested for readability.
- Any line with a pound sign (#) as the first printable character is a comment.
- Each entry on an individual line is separated by white space (spaces or tabs).
- Blank lines in the file are not significant and are suggested for readability.

- There is no limit to the number of resource attribute stanzas included in a particular `PersistentResourceAttributes` section.
- There is no limit to the number of resource class attribute stanzas included in a particular `PersistentResourceClassAttributes` section. Typically, there is only one instance of a resource class. In this case, only one stanza is expected.
- If only one resource attribute stanza is included in a particular `PersistentResourceAttributes` section, the `label:` line can be omitted.
- If only one resource class attribute stanza is included in a particular `PersistentResourceClassAttributes` section, the `label:` line can be omitted.
- Values that contain spaces must be enclosed in quotation marks.
- A double colon (`::`) indicates the end of a section. If a terminating double colon is not found, the next `Reserved Keyword` or `end of file` signals the end of a section.
- Double quotation marks included within a string that is surrounded by double quotation marks must be escaped. (`\`).

Note: Double quotation marks can be nested within single quotation marks.

These are examples:

- `"Name == \"testing\""`
- `'Name == "testing"'`

This syntax is preferred if your string is a selection string and you are going to cut and paste to the command line.

- Single quotation marks included within a string that is surrounded by single quotation marks must be escaped. (`\`).

Note: Single quotation marks can be nested within double quotation marks.

These are examples:

- `'Isn\'t that true'`
- `"Isn't that true"`

This syntax is preferred if you are going to cut and paste to the command line.

- The format you use to enter data in a `resource_data_input` file may not be the same format used on the command line. The shell you choose to run the commands in has its own rules with regard to quotation marks. Refer to the documentation for your shell for these rules, which determine how to enter data on the command line.

Examples

1. This sample `mkrsrc` command:

```
mkrsrc -f /tmp/my_resource_data_input_file IBM.Example
```

uses the sample input file `/tmp/my_resource_data_input_file` for the `IBM.Example` resource class. The contents of the input file look like this:

```
PersistentResourceAttributes::
# Resource 1 - only set required attributes
resource 1:
    Name="c175n04"
    NodeList = {1}
# Resource 2 - setting both required and optional attributes
# mkrsrc -e2 IBM.Example displays required and optional
# persistent attributes
resource 2:
    Name="c175n05"
    NodeList = {1}
    Int32 = -99
    UInt32 = 99
    Int64 = -123456789123456789
```

```

Uint64 = 123456789123456789
Float32 = -9.89
Float64 = 123456789.123456789
String = "testing 123"
Binary = 0xaabbccddeeff
RH = "0x0000 0x0000 0x00000000 0x00000000 0x00000000 0x00000000"
SD = [hello,1,{2,4,6,8}]
Int32Array = {-4, -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4}
Int64Array = {-4, -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4}
Uint32Array = {0,1,2,3,4,5,6}
Uint64Array = {0,1,2,3,4,5,6}
Float32Array = {-3.3, -2.2, -1.2, 0, 1, 2.2, 3.3}
Float64Array = {-3.3, -2.2, -1.2, 0, 1, 2.2, 3.3}
StringArray = {abc,"do re mi", 123}
BinaryArray = {"0x01", "0x02", "0x0304"}
RHArray = {"0x0000 0x0000 0x00000000 0x00000000 0x00000000 0x00000000",
            "0xaaaa 0xaaaa 0xbbbbbbbb 0xcccccccc 0xdddddddd 0xeeeeeeee"}
SDArray = {[hello,1,{0,1,2,3}], [hello2,2,{2,4,6,8}]}

```

2. This sample `chsrc` command:

```
chsrc -f /tmp/Example/ch_resources -s 'Name == "c175n05"' IBM.Example
```

uses the sample input file `/tmp/Example/ch_resources` to change the attribute values of existing `IBM.Example` resources. The contents of the input file look like this:

```

PersistentResourceAttributes::
# Changing resources that match the selection string entered
# when running chsrc command.
resource 1:
    String          = "this is a string test"
    Int32Array      = {10,-20,30,-40,50,-60}

```

rmccli Information

Purpose

Provides general information about resource monitoring and control (RMC) and related commands.

Description

Provides general information about RMC and related commands, including datatypes, terminology, and references to related information.

Command structure and use

The RMC commands may be grouped into categories representing the different operations that can be performed on resource classes and resources:

- Creating and removing resources: `mkrsrc`, `rmrsrc`
- Modifying resources: `chsrc`, `refrsrc`
- Viewing definitions and data: `lsrsrc`, `lsrsrcdef`
- Viewing actions: `lsactdef`
- Running actions: `runact`

The RMC commands can be run directly from the command line or called by user-written scripts. In addition, the RMC commands are used as the basis for higher-level commands, such as the event response resource manager (ERRM) commands.

Data display information

The flags that control the display function for the RMC CLI routines, in order of precedence, are:

1. `-l` for long display. This is the default display format.

For example, the command:

```
lsrsrc -s 'Name == "c175n05"' IBM.Foo Name NodeList SD Binary RH Int32Array
```

produces output that looks like this:

```
Persistent Attributes for Resource: IBM.Foo
resource 1:
  Name      = "c175n05"
  NodeList  = {1}
  SD        = ["testing 1 2 3",1,{0,1,2}]
  Binary    = "0xaabbcc00 0xeeff"
  RH        = "0x0000 0x0000 0x00000000 0x00000000 0x00000000 0x00000000"
  Int32Array = {1,5,-10,1000000}
```

2. `-t` for tabular display.

For example, the command:

```
lsrsrc -s 'Name ?= "Page"' -t IBM.Condition Name EventExpression
```

produces output that looks like this:

```
Persistent Attributes for Resource: IBM.Condition

Name      EventExpression
"Page space out rate"  "VMPgSpOutRate > 500"
"Page fault rate"     "VMPgFaultRate > 500"
"Page out rate"       "VMPgOutRate > 500"
"Page in rate"        "VMPgInRate > 500"
"Page space in rate"  "VMPgSpInRate > 500"
```

3. `-x` for suppressing headers when printing.

4. `-d` for colon (:) delimited display.

For example, the command:

```
lsrsrc -xd -s 'Name == "c175n05"' IBM.Foo Name Int32 Uint32Array SD Binary
```

produces output that looks like this:

```
c175n05:-100:{:}:["hel lo1",1,{0,1,2}]:"0xaabbcc00 0xeeff":
```

Note the use of the `-x` flag along with the `-d` flag.

5. `-D delimiter` for string-delimited display.

For example, the command:

```
lsrsrc -xD:: -s 'Name == "c175n05"' IBM.Foo Name Int32 Uint32Array SD Binary
```

produces output that looks like this:

```
c175n05:::-100::{:}:["hel lo1",1,{0,1,2}]::"0xaabbcc00 0xeeff"::
```

Note the use of the `-x` flag along with the `-D Delimiter` flag.

When output of any list command (`lsrsrc`, `lsrsrcdef`) is displayed in the tabular output format, the printing column width may be truncated. If more characters need to be displayed (as in the case of strings) use the `-l` flag to display the entire field.

Data input formatting

Binary data can be entered in the following formats:

- "0x##### 0x##### 0x####..."
- "0x#####"
- 0x#####

Be careful when you specify strings as input data:

- Strings that contain no white space or non-alphanumeric characters can be entered as input without enclosing quotation marks

- Strings that contain white space or other alphanumeric characters must be enclosed in quotation marks
- Strings that contain single quotation marks (') must be enclosed by double quotation marks ("), as shown in this example: "this is a string with 'single quotations marks'"

Selection strings must be enclosed in double quotation marks, unless the selection string itself contains double quotation marks, in which case the selection string must be enclosed in single quotation marks. For information on how to specify selection strings, see the *RSCT: Administration Guide*.

- Sample selection string input: "NodeNumber == 1"
- Selection string input where double quotation marks are part of the selection string: 'Name == "c175n05"'

Structured data (SD) types must be enclosed in square brackets: [hello,1,{2,4,6,8}]

When supplying structured data (SD) as command-line input to the RMC commands, enclose the SD in single quotation marks: SD=' [hello,1,{2,4,6,8}] '

Arrays of any type must be enclosed in braces {}:

- Array of integers: {-4, -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4}
- Array of strings: {abc, "do re mi", 123}
- Array of structured data: {[hello,1,{0,1,2,3}], [hello2,2,{2,4,6,8}]}

Arrays of any type with more than one element must be enclosed in quotation marks. For example:

- mkrsrc IBM Foo Name=testing NodeList={1} Uint32Array='{1,2,3}'
- mkrsrc IBM Foo Name=testing NodeList='{1}' Uint32_array='{1,2,3}'

Arrays of strings and arrays of structured data must always be enclosed in quotation marks.

When supplying arrays of structured data or arrays containing strings enclosed in quotation marks as command-line input to the RMC commands, enclose the entire array in single quotation marks:

- Array of strings: mkrsrc IBM.Foo Name="c175n05" NodeList={1} StringArray='{ "a string", "a different string" }'
- Array of structured data: mkrsrc IBM.Foo Name="c175n05" NodeList={1} SDArray='{ ["string 1",1,{1,1}], ["string 2",2,{1,2,3}] }'

For more examples, see the resource_data_input information file.

Data output formatting

String data is always displayed in either double or single quotation marks, as shown below:

- A description attribute that equals the string "This is a string that contains white space" is displayed using long format as:

```
Description = "This is a string that contains white space"
```

- A description attribute value that equals an empty string "" is displayed in long format as:

```
Description = ""
```

- A description attribute value that equals a string that contains a new-line character at the end of the string is displayed in long format as:

```
Description = "This string ends with a new-line character..."
```

- A selection string containing double quotation marks is displayed in long format as:

```
SelectionString = 'Name == "c175n05"'
```

- A name attribute value that equals the string "c175n05" is displayed in long format as:

```
Name = "c175n05"
```

Binary data is displayed as follows:

```
"0x##### 0x##### 0x##### 0x###..."
```

Naming conventions

The following variable names are used throughout the RMC command informations:

Variable

Description

attr

The name of a resource class or a resource attribute

resource_class

The name of a resource class

Terminology

attribute

Attributes are either persistent or dynamic. A resource class is defined by a set of persistent and dynamic attributes. A resource is also defined by a set of persistent and dynamic attributes. Persistent attributes define the configuration of the resource class and resource. Dynamic attributes define a state or a performance-related aspect of the resource class and resource. In the same resource class or resource, a given attribute name can be specified as either persistent or dynamic, but not both.

resource

An entity in the system that provides a set of services. Examples of hardware entities are processors, disk drives, memory, and adapters. Examples of software entities are database applications, processes, and file systems. Each resource in the system has one or more attributes that define the state of the resource.

resource class

A broad category of system resource, for example: node, file system, adapter. Each resource class has a container that holds the functions, information, dynamic attributes, and conditions that apply to that resource class. For example, the "/tmp space used" condition applies to a file system resource class.

resource manager

A process that maps resource and resource-class abstractions into calls and commands for one or more specific types of resources. A resource manager can be a standalone daemon, or it can be integrated into an application or a subsystem directly.

To see all of the resource classes defined in the system, run the `lsrsrc` command without any flags or parameters. To see all of the resources defined in the system for the `IBM.FileSystem` resource class, enter:

```
lsrsrc IBM.FileSystem
```

selection string

Must be enclosed within either double or single quotation marks. If the selection string contains double quotation marks, enclose the entire selection string in single quotation marks, for example:

```
-s 'Name == "testing"'
-s 'Name != "test"'
```

Only persistent attributes can be listed in a selection string. For information on how to specify selection strings, see the *RSCT: Administration Guide*.

Flags

-h

Writes the command's usage statement to standard output.

-T

Writes the command's trace messages to standard error. For your software service organization's use only.

-V

Writes the command's verbose messages to standard output.

All RMC commands include a -T flag and a -V flag. Use the -T flag only when your software service organization instructs you to turn tracing on. Trace messages are not translated. Use the -V flag, which indicates "verbose" mode, to see more information about the command. Verbose messages are contained in message catalogs and are translated based on the locale in which you are running and other criteria.

Environment Variables

CT_CONTACT

When the CT_CONTACT environment variable is set to a host name or IP address, the command contacts the resource monitoring and control (RMC) daemon on the specified host. If the environment variable is not set, the command contacts the RMC daemon on the local system where the command is being run. The resource class or resources that are displayed or modified by the command are located on the system to which the connection is established.

CT_MANAGEMENT_SCOPE

Determines the management scope that is used for the session with the RMC daemon to monitor and control the resources and resource classes. The management scope determines the set of possible target nodes where the resources and resource classes can be monitored and controlled. The valid values are:

0

Specifies *local* scope.

1

Specifies *local* scope.

2

Specifies *peer domain* scope.

3

Specifies *management domain* scope.

If this environment variable is *not* set, *local* scope is used.

rndc.conf File

Purpose

Defines the name server, algorithm, and key for the **rndc** command to use.

Syntax

```
options { server ;  
key ;  
port ;  
address ;  
address-ipv6; };  
  
server { key ;  
port ;  
host | address ; };  
  
key { algorithm ;  
secret "strings"; };
```

Description

The **rndc.conf** file is the configuration file for the **rndc** command, which is also the BIND 9 name server control utility. The **rndc.conf** file has similar structure and syntax to that of the **named.conf** file. It supports comment styles, such as the C style, the C++ style, and the UNIX style.

The **rndc.conf** file contains three statements: the options statement, the server statement, and the key statement.

options Statement

The *options* statement contains the following attributes:

Attributes	Definition
<i>server</i>	Defines the default name server to be used when the rndc command does not specify a name server. The name or address of a name server can be used in this attribute.
<i>key</i>	Defines the default key to authenticate the commands and responses from a server. The key is defined in a key statement. If the rndc command does not specify a key ID, or no key attribute is defined in a matching server statement, the value in this <i>key</i> attribute is used.
<i>port</i>	Defines the default port for connection to the remote name server. If the rndc command does not specify a port, or no port attribute is defined in a matching server statement, the value in the <i>port</i> attribute is used.
<i>address</i>	Defines the IPv4 source address to be used by default.
<i>address-ipv6</i>	Defines the IPv6 source address to be used by default.

server Statement

Attributes	Definition
<i>key</i>	Defines the key for the server. The key name must match the name of a key statement in the file.
<i>port</i>	Specifies the port to connect to.
<i>host address</i>	Specifies the server name or the address of the server. If the address is specified, it is used instead of the server name. Each address can use an optional port. A source address is used to specify IPv4 source address, and a source address of IPv6 is used to specify IPv6 source address.

key Statement

The *key* statement begins with the name of the key, which is an identifying string.

Attributes	Definition
<i>algorithm</i>	Identifies the encryption algorithm for the rndc command to use. Only the HMAC-MD5 algorithm is supported currently.
<i>secret " strings "</i>	Contains the base-64 encoding of the algorithm encryption key. The base-64 string is enclosed in quotation marks (" "). To generate the base-64 string for the <i>secret</i> attribute, you can run the rndc-confgen command. The rndc-confgen command generates a random key for the rndc command.

Example

In the following example, the **rndc** command uses the server at local host (127.0.0.1) by default, and the key is **samplekey**.

```
options {
  default-server localhost;
  default-key samplekey;
};
server localhost {
  key samplekey;
};
server testserver {
  key testkey;
  addresses { localhost port 5353; };
};
key samplekey {
  algorithm hmac-md5;
  secret "6FMfj430sz4lyb240Ie2iGEz9lf11lJ0+lz";
};
key testkey {
  algorithm hmac-md5;
  secret "R3HI8P6BKw9ZwXwN3VZKuQ==";
};
```

In the preceding example, the commands to the local host server use the **samplekey** key, which must also be defined in the configuration file of the server with the same name and secret. The key statement indicates that **samplekey** uses the HMAC-MD5 algorithm, and its secret attribute contains the base-64 encoding of the HMAC-MD5 secret. If the **rndc -s testserver** command string is used, the **rndc** command will connect to server on local host port 5353 using the key **testkey**.

Configuration

To accept **rndc** connections and recognize the key specified in the **rndc.conf** file, the name server must be configured with the control statement in the **named.conf** file.

roles File

Purpose

Contains the list of valid roles.

Description

The **/etc/security/roles** file contains the list of valid roles. This is an ASCII file that contains a stanza for each system role. Each stanza is identified by a role name followed by a : (colon) and contains attributes in the form *Attribute=Value*. Each attribute pair ends with a newline character as does each stanza.

The file supports a default stanza. If an attribute is not defined, the default value for the attribute is used, except in the case of the **id** attribute. The **id** attribute must be specified and unique for each role in the file.

A stanza contains the following attributes:

Attribute

rolelist

Description

Contains a list of roles implied by this role and allows a role to function as a super-role. If the **rolelist** attribute contains the value of "*role1,role2*", assigning the role to a user also assigns the roles of *role1* and *role2* to that user.

authorizations

Contains the list of additional authorizations acquired by the user for this specific role.

Attribute	Description
groups	Contains the list of groups that a user should belong to in order to effectively use this role. The user must be added to each group in this list for this role to be effective.
screens	Contains a list of SMIT screen identifiers that allow a role to be mapped to various SMIT screens. The default value for this attribute is * (all screens).
msgcat	Contains the file name of the message catalog that contains the one-line descriptions of system roles.
msgnum	Contains the message ID that retrieves this role description from the message catalog.
id	Specifies the unique numeric ID for the role. This is a required attribute when the system is in enhanced RBAC mode. This is used internally for security decisions. Do not modify the role ID after creating the role.
dfltmsg	Contains the default role-description text if message catalogs are not in use.
msgset	Contains the message set that contains the role description in the message catalog.
auth_mode	Specifies the authentication mode when you assume the role using the swrole command when the system is in the enhanced role-based access control (RBAC) mode. The following values are valid: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NONE - No authentication is necessary. • INVOKER - You must enter your own password while calling the swrole command. This is the default value.
hostsenabledrole	Specifies the hosts that can download the role definition from the Kernel Role table by using the setkst command. This attribute is intended to be used in a networked environment where the role attributes are shared by multiple hosts.
hostsdisabledrole	Specifies the hosts cannot download the role definition from the Kernel Role table by using the setkst command. This attribute is intended to be used in a networked environment where the role attributes are shared by multiple hosts.

For a typical stanza, see the "[Examples](#)" stanza.

Changing the roles File

Do not directly edit the **/etc/security/roles** file. Use the following commands to manipulate the role database:

- **chrole**
- **lsrole**
- **mkrole**

- **rmrole**

The **mkrole** command creates an entry for each new role in the **/etc/security/roles** file. To change the attribute values, use the **chrole** command. To display the attributes and their values, use the **lsrole** command. To remove a role, use the **rmrole** command.

When the system is operating in enhanced RBAC Mode, changes made to the **roles** file do not impact security considerations until the entire roles database is sent to the Kernel Security Tables through the **setkst** command or until the system is rebooted.

To write programs that affect attributes in the **/etc/security/roles** file, use the subroutines listed in Related Information.

Security

The root user and the security group own this file. Read and write access is granted to the root user, and read access to members of the security group. Access for other users and groups depends on the security policy for the system.

Examples

A typical stanza looks like the following example for the ManageAllUsers role:

```
ManageAllUsers:
```

```
id = 110
dfltmsg = "Manage all users"
rolelist = ManageBasicUsers
authorizations = UserAdmin,RoleAdmin,PasswdAdmin,GroupAdmin
groups = security
screens = mkuser,rmuser,!tcpip
```

Files

Item	Description
/etc/security/roles	Contains the list of valid roles.
/etc/security/user.roles	Contains the list of roles for each user.
/etc/security/smitacl.group	Contains the group ACL definitions.
/etc/security/smitacl.user	Contains the user ACL definitions.

Related reference

[/etc/nscontrol.conf File](#)

Related information

[chrole command](#)

[rmrole command](#)

[swrole command](#)

[getroleattr subroutine](#)

rpc File for NFS

Purpose

Contains the database for Remote Procedure Calls (RPC) program numbers using NFS.

Description

The **/etc/rpc** file, part the Network Support Facilities, contains names that are used in place of RPC program numbers. These names can be read by users. Each line of the file contains the following entries:

Entry	Description
<i>Name of Server for the RPC Program</i>	Specifies the name of the server daemon that provides the RPC program.
<i>RPC Program Number</i>	Specifies the number assigned to the program by the RPC protocol.
<i>Aliases</i>	Specifies alternate names by which the service can be requested.

The three entries for each line are entered in the order listed here. Entries can be separated by any number of blanks or tab characters, provided the line does not wrap. Commented lines in the file must begin with a # (pound sign). Characters in a commented line are not interpreted by routines that search the file.

Examples

A sample **/etc/rpc** file follows:

```
portmapper    100000    portmap sunrpc
rstatd        100001    rstat rup perfmeter
rusersd       100002    rusers
nfs           100003    nfsprog
ypserv        100004    ypprog
mountd        100005    mount showmount
```

Related information

[File systems](#)

sectoldif.cfg Configuration File

Purpose

Defines the names to use for defined data types when generating directory information tree (DIT) data for LDAP.

Description

The **sectoldif.cfg** configuration file is used by the **mksecldap**, **sectoldif**, **nistoldif**, and **rbactoldif** commands when generating output to export to LDAP. This file allows a system administrator to customize the naming used for various data branches that will be created in LDAP. Default names are provided and may be used unless customization is desired. Each entry in the file consist of the following fields:

```
Data_Type LDAP_Attribute_Name LDAP_Object_Class LDAP_Value
```

Item	Description
Data_Type	Specifies the data type. Values are USER, GROUP, ID, HOST, SERVICE, PROTOCOL, NETWORK, NETGROUP, RPC, AUTHORIZATION, ROLE, PRIVCMD, PRIVDEV and PRIVFILE.
LDAP_Attribute_Name	Specifies the LDAP attribute name.
LDAP_Object_Class	Specifies the LDAP object class associated with LDAP_Attribute_Name.

Item	Description
LDAP_Value	Specifies the LDAP attribute value.

The Data_Type field must be one of the recognized types. The remaining fields in an entry are configurable by the system administrator. System administrator must ensure that the LDAP_Object_Class field is appropriate for the supplied LDAP_Attribute_Name as the commands do not verify the combination.

Examples

1. The following modifications to sectoldif.cfg will cause users to be exported to *ou=Employees,o=ibm* and groups to *ou=Departments,o=ibm* when *-d o=ibm* is specified for the sectoldif command:

USER	ou	organizationalUnit	Employees
GROUP	ou	organizationalUnit	Departments

2. The following modifications to sectoldif.cfg will cause an AIX compliant DIT and data to be created when sectoldif -d cn=aixsecdb,cn=aixdata -S aix is invoked:

USER	ou	organizationalUnit	aixuser
GROUP	ou	organizationalUnit	aixgroup
ID	ou	organizationalUnit	system

Related information

[mksecldap command](#)

[sectoldif command](#)

[Lightweight Directory Access Protocol](#)

security_default File

Purpose

Contains the NFS security defaults.

Description

The /etc/nfs/security_default file contains the list of security flavors that may be used by the NFS client, in the order in which they should be used. The list of valid security flavors are:

sys	UNIX style (uids, gids)
dh	DES style (encrypted timestamps)
krb5	Kerberos 5, no integrity or privacy
krb5i	Kerberos 5, with integrity
krb5p	Kerberos 5, with privacy

This file may be modified using the [chnfssec](#) command.

The format of the /etc/nfs/security_default file is one security flavor (sys, krb5, etc.) per line.

Files

Item	Description
/etc/nfs/ security_default	The security_default file.

sendmail.cf and submit.cf File

Purpose

Contains the configuration information for the **sendmail** command.

Description

The **/etc/mail/sendmail.cf** configuration file and the **/etc/mail/submit.cf** configuration file contain the configuration information for the **sendmail** command. These files include information such as the host name and domain, and the **sendmail** rule sets.

The configuration files perform the following functions:

- Store information about the type of mailer programs running.
- Define how the **sendmail** command rewrites addresses in messages.
- Define how the **sendmail** command operates in the following environments:
 - Local mail delivery
 - Local area network delivery using TCP/IP
 - Remote delivery using Basic Utilities Network (BNU)

If your environment includes only these types of mail delivery, you can use the supplied **/etc/mail/sendmail.cf** file or **/etc/mail/submit.cf** file with few, if any, changes.

Note: AIX version AIX 7 with 7200-03 and earlier used `sendmail.cf` configuration file for the **sendmail** command. Starting with AIX version AIX 7 with 7200-04 two configuration files `sendmail.cf` and `submit.cf` are installed. The **sendmail** command uses the `submit.cf` configuration file by default. The `sendmail.cf` file exists for compatibility with earlier versions of the **sendmail** command. The following information is valid for both `sendmail.cf` and `submit.cf` configuration files.

Control Lines

The configuration files consist of a series of control lines, each of which begins with a single character defining how the rest of the line is used. Lines beginning with a space or a tab are continuation lines. Blank lines and lines beginning with a # (pound sign) are comments. Control lines are used for defining:

- [Macros and classes for use within the configuration file](#)
- [Message headings](#)
- [Mailers](#)
- [Options for the **sendmail** command](#)

Each of these control line types are discussed in detail below.

Rewrite Rules

The **sendmail** command receives addresses in a number of different formats because different mailers use different formats to deliver mail messages. The **sendmail** command changes the addresses to the format needed to route the message for the mailer program being used. To perform this translation, the **sendmail** command uses a set of rewrite rules, or *rule sets*, that are defined in the configuration files. Rewrite rules have the following format:

Snumber	
Rbefore	after

where `number` is a integer greater than or equal to zero indicating which rule set this is, and `before` and `after` are symbolic expressions representing a particular pattern of characters. The line beginning with `R` means rewrite the expression `before` so that it has the same format as the expression `after`. **Sendmail** scans through the set of rewrite rules looking for a match on the left-hand side (LHS) of the rule. When a rule matches, the address is replaced by the right-hand side (RHS) of the rule.

Note: There must be at least one TAB character (ASCII code 0x09) between the before and after sections of the **/etc/mail/sendmail.cf** file and **/etc/mail/submit.cf** file. For this reason, any editor that translates TAB characters into a series of spaces (ASCII code 0x20) may not be used to edit the **sendmail.cf** and **submit.cf** files. For example, the GNU eMac editor can corrupt the **sendmail.cf** file and **submit.cf** file, but the vi editor does not.

The **/etc/mail/sendmail.cf** and **/etc/mail/submit.cf** files that are installed with the **sendmail** command contain enough rules to perform the translation for BNU and TCP/IP networks using a domain address structure. You should not have to change these rules unless connecting to a system that uses a different addressing scheme.

Macro expansions of the form **\$x** are performed when the configuration file is read. Expansions of the form **\$&x** are performed at run time, using a somewhat less general algorithm. This form is intended only for referencing internally defined macros such as **\$h** that are changed at runtime.

Left-Hand Side (LHS) of Rewrite Rules

The left-hand side of rewrite rules contains a pattern. Normal words are simply matched directly. Metasyntax is introduced using a dollar sign. The metasymbols are:

Metasymbol	Meaning
\$*	Match zero or more tokens
\$+	Match one or more tokens
\$-	Match exactly one token
\$=x	Match any phrase in class <i>x</i>
\$~x	Match any word not in class <i>x</i>

If any of these match, they are assigned to the symbol **\$n** for replacement on the right-hand side, where *n* is the index in the LHS. For example, if the LHS:

```
$- : $+
```

is applied to the input:

```
UCBARPA:linda
```

the rule will match, and the values passed to the RHS will be:

```
$1  UCBARPA
$2  linda
```

Right-Hand Side (RHS) of Rewrite Rules

When the left-hand side of a rewrite rule matches, the input is deleted and replaced by the right-hand side. Tokens are copied directly from the RHS unless they begin with a dollar sign. Metasymbols are:

Metasymbol	Meaning
\$n	Substitute indefinite token n from LHS
\$(name\$)	Canonicalize name
\$(map key\$@arguments \$:default \$)	Generalized keyed mapping function
\$>n	"Call" ruleset n
\$#mailer	Resolve to mailer
\$@host	Specify host
\$.user	Specify user

The `$n` syntax substitutes the corresponding value from a `$+`, `$-`, `$*`, `$=`, or `$~` match on the LHS. It may be used anywhere.

A host name enclosed between `$[` and `$]` is looked up in the host database(s) and replaced by the canonical name. For example, `$[merlin]` might become `merlin.magician` and `$[[128.32.130.2]]` would become `king.arthur`.

The `$(...)` syntax is a more general form of lookup; it uses a named map instead of an implicit map. If no lookup is found, the indicated default is inserted; if no default is specified and no lookup matches, the value is left unchanged. The arguments are passed to the map for possible use.

The `$>n` syntax causes the remainder of the line to be substituted as usual and then passed as the argument to ruleset `n`. The final value of ruleset `n` then becomes the substitution for this rule. The `$>` syntax can only be used at the beginning of the right hand side; it can be only be preceded by `$@` or `$:`.

The `$#` syntax should only be used in ruleset zero or a subroutine of ruleset zero. It causes evaluation of the ruleset to terminate immediately, and signals to **sendmail** that the address has completely resolved. The complete syntax is:

```
$#mailer $@host $:user
```

This specifies the {mailer, host, user} 3-tuple necessary to direct the mailer. If the mailer is local, the host part may be omitted. The mailer must be a single word, but the host and user may be multi-part. If the mailer is the built-in IPC mailer, the host may be a colon-separated list of hosts that are searched in order for the first working address, exactly like MX (machine exchange) records. The user is later rewritten by the mailer-specific envelope rewrite set and assigned to the `$u` macro. As a special case, if the value to `$#` is "local" and the first character of the `$:` value is "@", the "@" is stripped off, and a flag is set in the address descriptor that causes **sendmail** to not do ruleset 5 processing.

Normally, a rule that matches is retried, that is, the rule loops until it fails. An RHS may also be preceded by a `$@` or a `$:` to change this behavior. A `$@` prefix causes the ruleset to return with the remainder of the RHS as the value. A `$:` prefix causes the rule to terminate immediately, but the ruleset to continue; this can be used to avoid continued application of a rule. The prefix is stripped before continuing.

The `$@` and `$:` prefixes may precede a `$>` spec. For example:

```
R$+ $: $>7 $1
```

matches anything, passes that to ruleset seven, and continues; the `$:` is necessary to avoid an infinite loop.

Substitution occurs in the order described; that is, parameters from the LHS are substituted, host names are canonicalized, "subroutines" are called, and finally `$#`, `$@`, and `$:` are processed.

Semantics of Rewrite Rule Sets

There are five rewrite sets that have specific semantics.

Ruleset three should turn the address into "canonical form." This form should have the basic syntax:

```
local-part@host-domain-spec
```

Ruleset three is applied by **sendmail** before doing anything with any address.

If no "@" sign is specified, then the host-domain-spec may be appended (box "D" in "Rewrite Set Semantics") from the sender address (if the C flag is set in the mailer definition corresponding to the sending mailer).

Ruleset zero is applied after ruleset three to addresses that are going to actually specify recipients. It must resolve to a {mailer, host, user} triple. The mailer must be defined in the mailer definitions from the configuration file. The host is defined into the `$h` macro for use in the `argv` expansion of the specified mailer.

IPC Mailers

Some special processing occurs if the ruleset zero resolves to an IPC mailer (that is, a mailer that has "[IPC]" listed as the Path in the M configuration line. The host name passed after "\$@" has MX expansion performed; this looks the name up in DNS to find alternate delivery sites.

The host name can also be provided as a dotted quad in square brackets; for example:

```
[128.32.149.78]
```

This causes direct conversion of the numeric value to a TCP/IP host address.

The host name passed in after the "\$@" may also be a colon-separated list of hosts. Each is separately MX expanded and the results are concatenated to make (essentially) one long MX list. The intent here is to create "fake" MX records that are not published in DNS for private internal networks.

As a final special case, the host name can be passed in as a text string in square brackets:

```
[any.internet.addr]
```

This form avoids the MX mapping if the F=0 flag is set for the selected delivery agent.

Note: This is intended only for situations where you have a network *firewall* (a system or machine that controls the access between outside networks and private networks) or other host that will do special processing for all your mail, so that your MX record points to a gateway machine. This machine could then do direct delivery to machines within your local domain. Use of this feature directly violates RFC 1123 section 5.3.5: it should not be used lightly.

Macros in the `sendmail.cf` file and the `submit.cf` file

Macros in the `/etc/mail/sendmail.cf` file and `/etc/mail/submit.cf` file are interpreted by the **sendmail** command. A macro is a symbol that represents a value or string. A macro is defined by a D command in the `/etc/mail/sendmail.cf` file and `/etc/mail/submit.cf` file.

D — Define Macro

Macros are named with a single character or with a word in {braces}. Single-character names may be selected from the entire ASCII set, but user-defined macros should be selected from the set of uppercase letters only. Lowercase letters and special symbols are used internally. Long names beginning with a lowercase letter or a punctuation character are reserved for use by **sendmail**, so user-defined long macro names should begin with an uppercase letter.

The syntax for macro definitions is:

```
Dxval
```

where *x* is the name of the macro (which may be a single character or a word in braces) and *val* is the value it should have. There should be no spaces given that do not actually belong in the macro value.

Macros are interpolated using the construct `$x`, where *x* is the name of the macro to be interpolated. This interpolation is done when the configuration file is read, except in M lines. The special construct `$&x` can be used in R lines to get deferred interpolation.

Conditionals can be specified using the syntax:

```
$?x text1 $| text2 $.
```

This interpolates `text1` if the macro `$x` is set, and `text2` otherwise. The "else" (`$|`) clause may be omitted.

Lowercase macro names are reserved to have special semantics, used to pass information in or out of **sendmail**, and special characters are reserved to provide conditionals, and so on. Uppercase names (that is, `$A` through `$Z`) are specifically reserved for configuration file authors.

The following macros are defined and/or used internally by **sendmail** for interpolation into `argv`'s for mailers or for other contexts. The ones marked - are information passed into **sendmail**, the ones marked = are information passed both in and out of **sendmail**, and the unmarked macros are passed out of **sendmail** but are not otherwise used internally:

Macro	Definition
\$_	RFC1413-validation & IP source route (V8.1 and above).
\$a	The origin date in RFC822 format.
\${auth_authen}	The client's authentication credentials as determined by authentication (only set if successful). The format depends on the mechanism used, it might be just user , or user@realm , or something similar (SMTP AUTH only).
\${auth_author}	The authorization identity, that is the AUTH=parameter of the SMTP MAIL command if supplied.
\${alg_bits}	The maximum key length (in bits) of the symmetric encryption algorithm used for a TLS connection. This may be less than the effective key length, which is stored in \${cipher_bits} , for export controlled algorithms.
\${addr_type}	The type of the address which is currently being rewritten. This macro contains up to three characters, the first is either e or h for envelope/header address, the second is a space, and the third is either s or r for sender/recipient address.
\${auth_type}	The mechanism used for SMTP authentication (only set if successful).
\$b	The current date in RFC822 format.
\$(bodytype)	The <i>ESMTP BODY</i> parameter.
\$B	The BITNET relay.
\$c	The hop count.
\$(client_addr)	The connecting host's IP address.
\$(cert_issuer)	The DN (distinguished name) of the CA (certificate authority) that signed the presented certificate (the cert issuer) (STARTTLS only).
\$(cert_md5)	The MD5 hash of the presented certificate (STARTTLS only).
\$(client_name)	The connecting host's canonical name.
\$(client_port)	The connecting host's port name.
\$(client_resolve)	Holds the result of the resolve call for \$(client_name) .
\$(cert_subject)	The DN of the presented certificate (called the cert subject) (STARTTLS only).
\$(currHeader)	Header value as quoted string.
\$(cipher)	The cipher suite used for the connection, for example, EDH-DSS-DES-CBC3-SHA, EDH-RSA-DESCBC-SHA, DES-CBC-MD5, and DES-CBC3-SHA (STARTTLS only).
\$(cipher_bits)	The effective key length (in bits) of the symmetric encryption algorithm used for a TLS connection.
\$(client_connections)	The number of open connections in the SMTP server for the client IP address.
\$(client_flags)	The flags specified by the Modifier= part of ClientPortOptions where flags are separated from each other by spaces and upper case flags are doubled. That is, Modifier=hA is represented as h AA in \$(client_flags) , which is required for testing the flags in rulesets.
\$(client_ptr)	The result of the PTR lookup for the client IP address. Note: This is the same as \$(client_name) if and only if \$(client_resolve) is OK. This is defined in the SMTP server only.
\$(client_rate)	The number of incoming connections for the client IP address over the time interval specified by ConnectionRateWindowSize.

Macro	Definition
<code>\${client_resolve}</code>	<p>Holds the result of the resolve call for <code>\${client_name}</code>. The possible values are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OK: Resolved successfully • FAIL: Permanent lookup failure • FORGED: Forward lookup does not match reverse lookup • TEMP: Temporary lookup failure <p>This is defined in the SMTP server only. The sendmail command performs a hostname lookup on the IP address of the connecting client. Next the IP addresses of that hostname are looked up. If the client IP address does not appear in that list, then the hostname is forged. This is reflected as the value FORGED for <code>\${client_resolve}</code>, and it also shows up in <code>\$_</code> as (may be forged).</p>
<code>\${cn_issuer}</code>	<p>The CN (common name) of the CA that signed the presented certificate (STARTTLS only).</p> <p>Note: If the CN can not be extracted properly it is replaced by one of these strings based on the encountered error:</p> <pre>BadCertificateContainsNUL. The CN contains a NULL character BadCertificateTooLong CN is too long BadCertificateUnknown CNcould not be extracted</pre> <p>In the last case, some other (unspecific) error occurred.</p>
<code>\${cn_subject}</code>	The CN (common name) of the presented certificate (STARTTLS only). See <code>\${cn_issuer}</code> for possible replacements.
<code>\${currHeader}</code>	Header value as quoted string (possibly truncated to MAXNAME). This macro is only available in header check rulesets.
<code>\$C</code>	The hostname of the DECnet relay (m4 technique).
<code>\$d</code>	enrealThe current date in UNIX (<i>ctime</i>)(3) format.
<code>\$(daemon_addr)</code>	The IP address on which the daemon is listening for connections. Unless DaemonPortOptions is set, this will be 0.0.0.0.
<code>\$(daemon_family)</code>	If the daemon is accepting network connections, this is the network family.
<code>\$(daemon_flags)</code>	The flags for the daemon as specified by the Modifiers= part of DaemonPortOptions where the flags are separated from each other by spaces and upper case flags are doubled.
<code>\$(daemon_info)</code>	Information about a daemon as a text string. For example, SMTP+queueing@00.
<code>\$(daemon_name)</code>	The name of the daemon from DaemonPortOptions Name= suboption. If this suboption is not used, the default will be set to Daemon#, where # is the daemon number.
<code>\$(daemon_port)</code>	The port on which the daemon is accepting connections. Unless DaemonPortOptions is set, this will most likely be set to the default of 25.
<code>\$(deliveryMode)</code>	The current delivery mode used by sendmail .
<code>\$e</code>	Obsolete. Used SmtpGreetingMessage option instead.
<code>\$(envid)</code>	The original DSN envelope ID.
<code>\$E</code>	X400 relay (unused) (m4 technique).
<code>\$f</code>	The sender's address.
<code>\$F</code>	FAX relay (m4 technique).

Macro	Definition
\$g	The sender's address relative to the recipient.
\$h	Host part of the recipient address.
\${hdrlen}	The length of the header value which is stored in \${currHeader} (before possible truncation). If this value is greater than or equal to MAXNAME the header has been truncated.
\${hdr_name}	The name of the header field for which the current header check ruleset has been called. This is useful for a default header check ruleset to get the name of the header; the macro is only available in header check rulesets.
\$H	The mail hub (m4 technique).
\$(hdrlen)	The length of the header value, which is stored in \$(currHeader) .
\$(hdr_name)	The name of the header field for which the current header check ruleset has been called.
\$i	The queue identifier.
\$(if_addr)	The IP address of an incoming connection interface unless it is in the loopback net.
\${if_addr_out}	The IP address of the interface of an outgoing connection unless it is in the loopback net. The IPv6 addresses are tagged with IPv6: before the address.
\${if_family}	The IP family of the interface of an incoming connection unless it is in the loopback net.
\${if_family_out}	The IP family of the interface of an outgoing connection unless it is in the loopback net.
\$(if_name)	The name of an incoming connection interface.
\$(if_name_out)	The name of the interface of an outgoing connection.
\$j=	The official canonical name.
\$k	The UUCP node name (V8.1 and above).
\${load_avg}	The current load average.
\${msg_id}	The value of the Message-Id: header.
\${msg_size}	The value of the SIZE= parameter, that is, usually the size of the message (in an ESMTP dialogue), before the message has been collected, thereafter the message size as computed by the sendmail command.
\${nbadrcpts}	The number of bad recipients for a single message.
\${nrcpts}	The number of validated recipients for a single message. Note: Since recipient validation happens after check_rcpt has been called, the value in this ruleset is one less than what might be expected.
\${time}	The output of the time(3) function, that is, the number of seconds since 0 hours, 0 minutes, 0 seconds, January 1, 1970, Coordinated Universal Time (UTC).
\${tls_version}	The TLS/SSL version used for the connection, for example, TLSv1, SSLv3, and SSLv2; defined after STARTTLS has been used.
\${total_rate}	The total number of incoming connections over the time interval specified by Connection-RateWindowSize.

Macro	Definition
<code>\${verify}</code>	<p>The result of the verification of the presented cert, only defined after STARTTLS has been used (or attempted). The possible values are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OK: Verification succeeded. • NO: Nocert presented. • NOT: No cert requested. • FAIL: cert presented but could not be verified, for example, the signing CA is missing. • NONE: STARTTLS has not been performed. • TEMP: Temporary error occurred. • PROTOCOL: Some protocol error occurred. • SOFTWARE STARTTLS: The handshake failed, which is a fatal error for this session, the e-mail is queued.
Macro	Definition
<code>\$l</code>	Obsolete. Use UnixFromLine option instead.
<code>\$L</code>	Local user relay (m4 technique).
<code>\$m</code>	The DNS domain name (V8.1 and above).
<code>\$M</code>	Who we are masquerading as (m4 technique).
<code>\$(mail_addr)</code>	The address part of the resolved triple of the address given for the SMTP MAIL command.
<code>\$(mail_host)</code>	The host from the resolved triple of the address given for the SMTP MAIL command.
<code>\$(mail_mailer)</code>	The mailer from the resolved triple of the address given for the SMTP MAIL command.
<code>\$n</code>	The error messages sender.
<code>\$(ntries)</code>	The number of delivery attempts.
<code>\$o</code>	Obsolete. Use OperatorChars option instead.
<code>\$opMode</code>	The startup operating mode (V8.7 and above).
<code>\$p</code>	The sendmail process ID.
<code>\$q-</code>	Default form of the sender address.
<code>\$(queue_interval)</code>	The queue run interval as defined in the -q flag.
<code>\$r</code>	The protocol used.
<code>\$R</code>	The relay for unqualified names (m4 technique).
<code>\$(rcpt_addr)</code>	The address part of the resolved triple of the address given for the SMTP RCPT command.
<code>\$(rcpt_host)</code>	The host from the resolved triple of the address given for the SMTP RCPT command.
<code>\$(rcpt_mailer)</code>	The mailer from the resolved triple of the address given for the SMTP RCPT command.
<code>\$s</code>	The sender's host name.
<code>\$S</code>	The Smart host (m4 technique).

Macro	Definition
\$(server_addr)	The address of the server of the current outgoing SMTP connection.
\$(server_name)	The name of the server of the current outgoing SMTP connection.
\$t	Current time in seconds.
\$u	The recipient's user name.
\$U	The UUCP name to override \$k.
\$v	The sendmail program's version.
\$V	The UUCP relay (for class \$=V) (m4 technique).
\$w	The short name of this host.
\$W	The UUCP relay (for class \$=W) (m4 technique).
\$x	The full name of the sender.
\$X	The UUCP relay (for class \$=X) (m4 technique).
\$y	The home directory of the recipient.
\$z	The name of the controlling TTY.
\$Y	The UUCP relay for unclassified hosts.
\$z	The recipient's home directory.
\$Z	The version of this m4 configuration (m4 technique).

There are three types of dates that can be used. The **\$a** and **\$b** macros are in RFC 822 format; **\$a** is the time as extracted from the "Date:" line of the message (if there was one), and **\$b** is the current date and time (used for postmarks). If no "Date:" line is found in the incoming message, **\$a** is set to the current time also. The **\$d** macro is equivalent to the **\$b** macro in UNIX (ctime) format. The **\$t** macro is the current time in seconds.

The macros **\$w**, **\$j**, and **\$m** are set to the identity of this host. **Sendmail** tries to find the fully qualified name of the host if at all possible; it does this by calling `gethostname(2)` to get the current hostname and then passing that to `gethostbyname(3)` which is supposed to return the canonical version of that host name. Assuming this is successful, **\$j** is set to the fully qualified name, and **\$m** is set to the domain part of the name (everything after the first dot). The **\$w** macro is set to the first word (everything before the first dot) if you have a level 5 or higher configuration file; otherwise, it is set to the same value as **\$j**. If the canonicalization is not successful, it is imperative that the config file set **\$j** to the fully qualified domain name.

The **\$f** macro is the ID of the sender as originally determined; when mailing to a specific host, the **\$g** macro is set to the address of the sender relative to the recipient. For example, if a user sends to `king@castle.com` from the machine `vangogh.painter.com`, the **\$f** macro will be `vincent` and the **\$g** macro will be `vincent@vangogh.painter.com`.

The **\$x** macro is set to the full name of the sender. This can be determined in several ways. It can be passed as flag to **sendmail**. It can be defined in the NAME environment variable. The third choice is the value of the "Full-Name:" line in the header if it exists, and the fourth choice is the comment field of a "From:" line. If all of these fail, and if the message is being originated locally, the full name is looked up in the `/etc/passwd` file.

When sending, the **\$h**, **\$u**, and **\$z** macros get set to the host, user, and home directory (if local) of the recipient. The first two are set from the **\$@** and **\$:** part of the rewrite rules, respectively.

The **\$p** and **\$t** macros are used to create unique strings (for example, for the "Message-Id:" field). The **\$i** macro is set to the queue ID on this host; if put into the timestamp line, it can be useful for tracking messages. The **\$v** macro is set to be the version number of **sendmail**; this is normally put in timestamps and has been proven useful for debugging.

The **\$c** field is set to the "hop count," that is, the number of times this message has been processed. This can be determined by the **-h** flag on the command line or by counting the timestamps in the message.

The **\$r** and **\$s** fields are set to the protocol used to communicate with **sendmail** and the sending hostname. They can be set together using the **-p** command line flag or separately using the **-M** or **-oM** flags.

The **\$_** is set to a validated sender host name. If the sender is running an RFC 1413 compliant IDENT server and the receiver has the IDENT protocol turned on, it will include the user name on that host.

The **\$(client_name)**, **\$(client_addr)**, and **\$(client_port)** macros are set to the name, address, and port number of the connecting host who is invoking **sendmail** as a server. These can be used in the **check_*** rulesets (using the **\$&** deferred evaluation form).

Changing the Domain Name Macro

The domain name macro, **DD**, specifies the full domain name of your local group of hosts. The format of the domain name macro is DD followed by, at most, four period-separated names, for example:

```
DDname1.name2.name3.name4
```

This macro can be set automatically through the **hostname** command. The **sendmail** command reads what has been set with the **hostname** command and uses it to initialize the host and domain macros and classes. The configuration file macros only need to be changed if you want the **sendmail** host and domain names to be different from those set by the **hostname** command.

To change the domain name macro:

1. Enter the command:

```
vi /etc/mail/sendmail.cf
```

2. Find the line beginning with DD.
3. Replace what follows DD with your domain name. For example, if your domain name is `newyork.abc.com`, enter:

```
DDnewyork.abc.com
```

4. Save the file and exit the editor.

Changing the Host Name Macro

The host name macro, **Dw**, specifies the name of your host system used in the return address of all messages you generate. The format of the host name macro is Dw followed by the hostname of this machine, for example:

```
Dwhostname
```

By default, the **sendmail** command reads what has been set with the **hostname** command and uses it to initialize the host and domain name macros and classes. Change the configuration file macros only if you want the **sendmail** command host and domain names to be different from those set by the **hostname** command.

To change the host name macro:

1. Enter the command:

```
vi /etc/mail/sendmail.cf
```

2. Find the line beginning with Dw.
3. Replace what follows Dw with your hostname. For example, if your hostname is `brown`, enter:

```
Dwbrown
```

4. Save the file and exit the editor.

Note: If the **Dw** macro is defined, you must also define the **CW** (hostname) class.

Modifying the `sendmail.cf` File and `submit.cf` File

Before you modify the `/etc/mail/sendmail.cf` file or `/etc/mail/submit.cf` file, make a backup copy. Do this by executing the following command:

```
cp /etc/mail/sendmail.cf /etc/mail/sendmail.cf.working
cp /etc/mail/submit.cf /etc/mail/submit.cf.working
```

If the changes you make cause the mail system not to work properly, you can return to using a copy of the `/etc/mail/sendmail.cf` file or the `/etc/mail/submit.cf` file that you know works.

You can modify the security files by using your favorite text editor. However, some editors store tabs as the number of spaces they represent, not the tab character itself. This can cause unexpected results if the tab character is defined as the field-separator character in rule sets. Use the vi editor to avoid this problem, or change the field-separator character with the **J** option. (For ease of reference, this discussion assumes you use the vi editor to modify the configuration files.)

After changing any information in the `/etc/mail/sendmail.cf` file or in the `/etc/mail/submit.cf` file, you must instruct the daemon to reread the file. See section, [“Making the sendmail Daemon Reread the Configuration Information”](#) on page 299 for those instructions.

Making the sendmail Daemon Reread the Configuration Information

After you have made changes to a configuration file, instruct the daemon to reread the file. If you started the **sendmail** command using the **startsrc** command, enter the command:

```
refresh -s sendmail
```

Or, if you started the **sendmail** daemon using the `/usr/sbin/sendmail` command, enter the command:

```
kill -1 `cat /etc/mail/sendmail.pid`
```

Both of these commands cause the daemon to reread the `/etc/mail/sendmail.cf` file, the `/etc/mail/submit.cf` file, the `/etc/mail/aliases` file, and the `/etc/sendmail.nl` file.

Alias Database

The alias database exists in two forms. One is a text form, maintained in the file `/etc/mail/aliases`. The aliases are of the form:

```
name: name1, name2, ...
```

Only local names may be aliased. For example:

```
linda@cloud.ai.acme.org: linda@CS.
```

has the desired effect. Aliases may be continued by starting any continuation lines with a space or a tab. Blank lines and lines beginning with a pound sign (**#**) are comments.

The second form is processed by the new database manager (NDBM) or Berkeley DB library. This form is in the file `/etc/mail/aliases.db` (if using NEWDB) or `/etc/mail/aliases.dir` and `/etc/mail/aliases.pag` (if using NDBM). This is the form that **sendmail** actually uses to resolve aliases. This technique is used to improve performance.

The service switch sets the control of search order. The following entry

```
AliasFile=switch:aliases
```

is always added as the first alias entry. The first alias file name without a class (for example, without `nis` on the front) will be used as the name of the file for a "files" entry in the aliases switch. For example, if the configuration file contains

```
AliasFile=/etc/mail/aliases
```

and the service switch contains

```
aliases nis files nis
```

then aliases will first be searched in the NIS database, then in **/etc/mail/aliases**.

Rebuilding the Alias Database

The DB or DBM version of the database may be rebuilt explicitly by executing the command:

```
newaliases
```

This is equivalent to giving **sendmail** the **-bi** flag:

```
/usr/sbin/sendmail -bi
```

If the **RebuildAliases** option is specified in the configuration, **sendmail** will rebuild the alias database automatically if possible when it is out of date. Auto-rebuild can be dangerous on heavily loaded machines with large alias files. If it might take more than the rebuild time-out (option **AliasWait**, which is normally five minutes) to rebuild the database, there is a chance that several processes will start the rebuild process simultaneously.

If you have multiple aliases databases specified, the **-bi** flag rebuilds all the database types. **II** understands, for example, it can rebuild NDBM databases, but not NIS databases.

Potential Problems with the Alias Database

There are a number of problems that can occur with the alias database. They all result from a **sendmail** process accessing the DBM version while it is only partially built. This can happen under two circumstances: One process accesses the database while another process is rebuilding it, or the process rebuilding the database dies (due to being killed or a system crash) before completing the rebuild.

Sendmail has three techniques to try to relieve these problems. First, it ignores interrupts while rebuilding the database; this avoids the problem of someone aborting the process leaving a partially rebuilt database. Second, it locks the database source file during the rebuild, but that may not work over NFS or if the file is not writable. Third, at the end of the rebuild, it adds an alias of the form:

```
@: @
```

(which is not normally legal). Before **sendmail** will access the database, it checks to ensure that this entry exists.

List Owners

If an error occurs on sending to a certain address, *x*, **sendmail** will look for an alias of the form *owner-x* to receive the errors. This is typically useful for a mailing list where the submitter of the list has no control over the maintenance of the list itself. In this case, the list maintainer would be the owner of the list. For example:

```
unix-wizards: linda@paintbox, wnj@monet, nosuchuser,  
             sam@matisse  
owner-unix-wizards: unix-wizards-request  
unix-wizards-request: linda@paintbox
```

would cause `linda@paintbox` to get the error that will occur when someone sends to `unix-wizards` due to the inclusion of `nosuchuser` on the list.

List owners also cause the envelope sender address to be modified. The contents of the owner alias are used if they point to a single user. Otherwise, the name of the alias itself is used. For this reason, and to

conform to Internet conventions, the "owner-" address normally points at the "-request" address; this causes messages to go out with the typical Internet convention of using "list-request" as the return address.

Per-User Forwarding (.forward Files)

As an alternative to the alias database, users may put a file with the name ".forward" in their home directory. If this file exists, **sendmail** redirects mail for that user to the list of addresses listed in the **.forward** file. For example, if the home directory for user "kenly" has a **.forward** file with contents:

```
kenly@ernie  
joel@renoir
```

then any mail arriving for "kenly" will be redirected to the specified accounts.

The configuration file defines a sequence of file names to check. By default, this is the user's **.forward** file, but can be defined to be more general using the ForwardPath (**J**) option. If you change this option, you must inform your user base of the change.

IDENT Protocol Support

UCB **sendmail** supports the IDENT protocol as defined in RFC 1413. Although this enhances identification of the author of an e-mail message by doing a "callback" to the originating system to include the owner of a particular TCP connection in the audit trail, it is in no sense perfect; a determined forger can easily violate the security of the IDENT protocol.

Note: The operating system does not support the IDENT protocol. The IDENT timeout is set to zero (0) in the **/etc/mail/sendmail.cf** file or in the **/etc/mail/submit.cf** file to disable IDENT. Modify your **sendmail.cf** file and **submit.cf** file and set IDENT time-out if you wish to enable IDENT.

The following description is excerpted from RFC 1413:

6. Security Considerations

The information returned by this protocol is at most as trustworthy as the host providing it OR the organization operating the host. For example, a PC in an open lab has few if any controls on it to prevent a user from having this protocol return any identifier the user wants. Likewise, if the host has been compromised the information returned may be completely erroneous and misleading.

The Identification Protocol is not intended as an authorization or access control protocol. At best, it provides some additional auditing information with respect to TCP connections. At worst, it can provide misleading, incorrect, or maliciously incorrect information.

The use of the information returned by this protocol for other than auditing is strongly discouraged. Specifically, using Identification Protocol information to make access control decisions, either as the primary method (that is, no other checks) or as an adjunct to other methods may result in a weakening of normal host security.

An Identification server may reveal information about users, entities, objects or processes which might normally be considered private. An Identification server provides service which is a rough analog of the CallerID services provided by some phone companies and many of the same privacy considerations and arguments that apply to the CallerID service apply to Identification. If you would not run a "finger" server due to privacy considerations you may not want to run this protocol.

Tuning

There are a number of configuration parameters you may want to change, depending on the requirements of your site. Most of these are set using an option in the **sendmail.cf** file or **submit.cf** file. For example, the line "O Time-out.queueereturn=5d" sets option "Timeout.queueereturn" to the value "5d" (five days).

Most of these options have appropriate defaults for most sites. However, sites having very high mail loads may find they need to tune them as appropriate for their mail load. In particular, sites experiencing a large number of small messages, many of which are delivered to many recipients, may find that they need to adjust the parameters dealing with queue priorities.

All prior versions of **sendmail** had single-character option names. Although old short names are still accepted, most new options do not have short equivalents.

Timeouts

All time intervals are set using a scaled syntax. For example, "10m" represents ten minutes, whereas "2h30m" represents two and a half hours. The full set of scales is:

s	seconds
m	minutes
h	hours
d	days
w	weeks

Read Timeouts

Timeouts all have option names "Time-out.suboption". The recognized suboptions, their default values, and the minimum values allowed by RFC 1123 section 5.3.2 are:

Suboption	Description
aconnect	The overall timeout waiting for all connection for a single delivery attempt to succeed [0, unspecified] . If 0, no overall limit is applied. This can be used to restrict the total amount of time trying to connect to a long list of host that could accept an e-mail for the recipient. This timeout does not apply to FallbackMXhost , that is, if the time is exhausted, the FallbackMXhost is tried next.
auth	The timeout for a reply in an SMTP AUTH dialogue [10m, unspecified].
command-	In server SMTP, the time to wait for another command. [1h, 5m].
connect	The time to wait for an SMTP connection to open (the connect(2) system call) [0, unspecified]. If zero, uses the kernel default. In no case can this option extend the time-out longer than the kernel provides, but it can shorten it. This is to get around kernels that provide an extremely long connection time-out (90 minutes in one case).
control	The time-out for a complete control socket transaction to complete [2m, none].
datablock-	The wait for reading a data block (that is, the body of the message). [1h, 3m]. This should be long because it also applies to programs piping input to sendmail which have no guarantee of promptness.
datafinal-	The wait for a reply from the dot terminating a message. [1h,10m]. If this is shorter than the time actually needed for the receiver to deliver the message, duplicates will be generated. This is discussed in RFC1047.
datainit-	The wait for a reply from a DATA command [5m, 2m].
fileopen	The time-out for opening .forward and :include:files [60s, none].
iconnect	The same as connect , except it applies only to the initial attempt to connect to a host for a given message [0, unspecified]. This period should be very short (a few seconds). Hosts that are well-connected and responsive will be serviced immediately. Hosts that are slow do not detain other deliveries in the initial delivery attempt.

Suboption	Description
ident-	The time-out waiting for a reply to an IDENT query [30s11, unspecified].
initial	The wait for the initial 220 greeting message [5m, 5m].
helo	The wait for a reply from a HELO or EHLO command [5m, unspecified]. This may require a host name lookup, so five minutes is probably a reasonable minimum.
hoststatus	The time that long status information about a host (for example, host down) will be cached before it is considered stale [30m, unspecified].
mail-	The wait for a reply from a MAIL command [10m, 5m].
misc	The wait for a reply from miscellaneous (but short) commands such as NOOP (no-operation) and VERB (go into verbose mode). [2m, unspecified].
quit	The wait for a reply from a QUIT command [2m, unspecified].
rcpt-	The wait for a reply from a RCPT command [1h, 5m]. This should be long because it could be pointing at a list that takes a long time to expand (see below).
rset	The wait for a reply from a RSET command [5m, unspecified].
resolver.retrans	Sets resolver retransmission time interval in seconds. Sets both the Timeout.resolver.retrans.first and Timeout.resolver.retrans.normal .
resolver.retrans.first	Sets resolver retransmission time interval in seconds for the first attempt to deliver a message.
resolver.retrans.normal	Sets the retransmission time interval in seconds for all resolver lookups except for the first delivery attempt.
resolver.retry	Sets the number of attempts to retransmit a resolver query. Sets both Timeout.resolver.retry.first and Timeout.resolver.retry.normal .
resolver.retry.first	Sets the number of attempts to retransmit a resolver query for the first delivery attempt.
resolver.retry.normal	Sets the number of attempts to retransmit a resolver query for all resolver lookups except the first delivery attempt.
starttls	The timeout for a reply to an SMTP STARTTLS command, and the TLS handshake [1h, unspecified].

For compatibility with old configuration files, if no suboption is specified, all the timeouts marked with - are set to the indicated value.

Message Timeouts

After sitting in the queue for a few days, a message will time out. This is to ensure that at least the sender is aware of the inability to send a message. The time-out is typically set to five days. It is sometimes considered convenient to also send a warning message if the message is in the queue longer than a few hours (assuming you normally have good connectivity; if your messages normally took several hours to send, you would not want to do this because it would not be an unusual event). These timeouts are set using the `Timeout.queuereturn` and `Timeout.queuewarn` options in the configuration file (previously both were set using the **T** option).

Because these options are global and you cannot know how long another host outside your domain will be down, a five-day time-out is recommended. This allows a recipient to fix the problem even if it occurs at the beginning of a long weekend. RFC 1123 section 5.3.1.1 says that this parameter should be "at least 4-5 days".

The `Timeout.queuewarn` value can be piggybacked on the **T** option by indicating a time after which a warning message should be sent; the two timeouts are separated by a slash. For example, the line:

causes e-mail to fail after five days, but a warning message will be sent after four hours. This should be large enough that the message will have been tried several times.

Queue interval

The argument to the **-q** flag specifies how often a subdaemon will run the queue. This is typically set to between fifteen minutes and one hour. RFC 1123, section 5.3.1.1 recommends this be at least 30 minutes.

Forking During Queue Runs

By setting the ForkEachJob (**Y**) option, **sendmail** will fork before each individual message while running the queue. This will prevent **sendmail** from consuming large amounts of memory, so it may be useful in memory-poor environments. However, if the ForkEachJob option is not set, **sendmail** will keep track of hosts that are down during a queue run, which can improve performance dramatically.

If the ForkEachJob option is set, **sendmail** cannot use connection caching.

Queue Priorities

Every message is assigned a priority when it is first instantiated, consisting of the message size (in bytes) offset by the message class (which is determined from the Precedence: header) times the "work class factor" and the number of recipients times the "work recipient factor." The priority is used to order the queue. Higher numbers for the priority mean that the message will be processed later when running the queue.

The message size is included so that large messages are penalized relative to small messages. The message class allows users to send "high priority" messages by including a "Precedence:" field in their message; the value of this field is looked up in the P lines of the configuration file. Because the number of recipients affects the amount of load a message presents to the system, this is also included into the priority.

The recipient and class factors can be set in the configuration file using the RecipientFactor (**y**) and ClassFactor (**z**) options respectively. They default to 30000 (for the recipient factor) and 1800 (for the class factor). The initial priority is:

```
pri = msgsize - (class times bold ClassFactor) + (nrcpt times bold
RecipientFactor)
```

(Remember that higher values for this parameter actually mean that the job will be treated with lower priority.)

The priority of a job can also be adjusted each time it is processed (that is, each time an attempt is made to deliver it) using the "work time factor," set by the RetryFactor (**Z**) option. This is added to the priority, so it normally decreases the precedence of the job, on the grounds that jobs that have failed many times will tend to fail again in the future. The RetryFactor option defaults to 90000.

Load Limiting

Sendmail can be asked to queue (but not deliver) mail if the system load average gets too high using the QueueLA (**x**) option. When the load average exceeds the value of the QueueLA option, the delivery mode is set to **q** (queue only) if the QueueFactor (q) option divided by the difference in the current load average and the QueueLA option plus one exceeds the priority of the message; that is, the message is queued if:

```
pri > { bold QueueFactor } over { LA - { bold QueueLA } + 1 }
```

The QueueFactor option defaults to 600000, so each point of load average is worth 600000 priority points (as described above).

For drastic cases, the RefuseLA (X) option defines a load average at which **sendmail** will refuse to accept network connections. Locally generated mail (including incoming UUCP mail) is still accepted.

Delivery Mode

There are a number of delivery modes that **sendmail** can operate in, set by the DeliveryMode (**d**) configuration option. These modes specify how quickly mail will be delivered. Legal modes are:

Delivery Mode	Definition
----------------------	-------------------

i	Deliver interactively (synchronously)
b	Deliver in background (asynchronously)
q	Queue only (do not deliver)
d	Defer delivery attempts (do not deliver).

There are trade-offs. Mode **i** gives the sender the quickest feedback, but may slow down some mailers and is hardly ever necessary. Mode **b** delivers promptly, but can cause large numbers of processes if you have a mailer that takes a long time to deliver a message. Mode **q** minimizes the load on your machine, but means that delivery may be delayed for up to the queue interval. Mode **d** is identical to mode **q** except that it also prevents all the early map lookups from working; it is intended for "dial on demand" sites where DNS lookups might be very expensive. Some simple error messages (for example, host unknown during the SMTP protocol) will be delayed using this mode. Mode **b** is the default.

If you run in mode **q** (queue only), **d** (defer), or **b** (deliver in background), **sendmail** will not expand aliases and follow **.forward** files upon initial receipt of the mail. This speeds up the response to RCPT commands. Mode **i** cannot be used by the SMTP server.

Log Level

The level of logging can be set for **sendmail**. The default using a standard configuration table is level 9. The levels are as follows:

Log Level	Definition
------------------	-------------------

0	Minimum logging.
1	Serious system failures and potential security problems.
2	Lost communications (network problems) and protocol failures.
3	Other serious failures.
4	Minor failures.
5	Message collection statistics.
6	Creation of error messages, VRFY and EXPN commands.
7	Delivery failures (for example, host or user unknown).
8	Successful deliveries and alias database rebuilds.
9	Messages being deferred (for example, due to a host being down).
10	Database expansion (alias, forward, and userdb lookups).
11	NIS errors and end-of-job processing.
12	Logs all SMTP connections.
13	Logs bad user shells, files with improper permissions, and other questionable situations.
14	Logs refused connections.
15	Log all incoming and outgoing SMTP commands.
20	Logs attempts to run locked queue files. These are not errors, but can be useful to note if your queue appears to be clogged.
30	Lost locks (only if using lockf instead of flock).

File Modes

The modes used for files depend on what functionality you want and the level of security you require.

The database that **sendmail** actually uses is represented by the following file:

/etc/mail/aliases.db

Berkeley DB database

The mode on these files should match the mode of **/etc/mail/aliases**. If **aliases** is writable and the files are not, users will be unable to reflect their desired changes through to the actual database. However, if **aliases** is read-only and DBM files are writable, a slightly sophisticated user can arrange to steal mail anyway.

If your DBM files are not writable, or you do not have auto-rebuild enabled (with the `AutoRebuildAliases` option), then you must be careful to reconstruct the alias database each time you change the text version:

```
newaliases
```

If this step is ignored or forgotten, any intended changes will be lost.

Connection Caching

When processing the queue, **sendmail** will try to keep the last few open connections open to avoid startup and shutdown costs. This only applies to IPC connections.

When trying to open a connection, the cache is first searched. If an open connection is found, it is probed to see if it is still active by sending a **RSET** command. It is not an error if this fails; instead, the connection is closed and reopened.

Two parameters control the connection cache. The **ConnectionCacheSize** (k) option defines the number of simultaneous open connections that will be permitted. If it is set to zero, connections will be closed as quickly as possible. The default is one. This should be set as appropriate for your system size; it will limit the amount of system resources that **sendmail** will use during queue runs. Never set this higher than 4.

The **ConnectionCacheTimeout** (K) option specifies the maximum time that any cached connection will be permitted to idle. When the idle time exceeds this value, the connection is closed. This number should be small (under ten minutes) to prevent you from grabbing too many resources from other hosts. The default is five minutes.

Name Server Access

If you want machine exchange (MX) support, you must be using Domain Name Services (DNS).

The `ResolverOptions(I)` option allows you to tweak name server options. The command line takes a series of flags as documented in `resolver(3)` (with the leading "RES_" deleted). Each can be preceded by an optional '+' or '-'. For example, the line:

```
0 ResolverOptions=+AAONLY -DNSRCH
```

turns on the AAONLY (Accept Authoritative Answers only) and turns off the DNSRCH (search the domain path) options. Most resolver libraries default DNSRCH, DEFNAMES, and RECURSE flags on and all others off. You can also include "HasWildcardMX" to specify that there is a wildcard MX record matching your domain; this turns off MX matching when canonicalizing names, which can lead to inappropriate canonicalizations.

Moving the Per-User Forward Files

Some sites mount each user's home directory from a local disk on their workstation, so that local access is fast. However, the result is that **.forward** file lookups are slow. In some cases, mail can even be delivered on machines inappropriately because of a file server being down. The performance can be especially bad if you run the automounter.

The `ForwardPath(J)` option allows you to set a path of forward files. For example, the config file line:

```
0 ForwardPath=/var/forward/$u:$z/.forward.$w
```

would first look for a file with the same name as the user's login in **/var/forward**. If that is not found (or is inaccessible), the file ".forward.machinename" in the user's home directory is searched.

If you create a directory such as **/var/forward**, it should be mode 1777 (that is, the sticky bit should be set). Users should create the files mode 644.

Free Space

On systems that have one of the system calls in the statfs(2) family (including **statvfs** and **ustat**), you can specify a minimum number of free blocks on the queue file system using the MinFreeBlocks (**b**) option. If there are fewer than the indicated number of blocks free on the filesystem on which the queue is mounted, the SMTP server will reject mail with the 452 error code. This invites the SMTP client to try again later.



Attention: Be careful not to set this option too high; it can cause rejection of e-mail when that mail would be processed without difficulty.

Maximum Message Size

To avoid overflowing your system with a large message, the MaxMessageSize option can set an absolute limit on the size of any one message. This will be advertised in the ESMTP dialogue and checked during message collection.

Privacy Flags

The PrivacyOptions (**p**) option allows you to set certain "privacy" flags. Actually, many of them do not give you any extra privacy, rather just insisting that client SMTP servers use the HELO command before using certain commands or adding extra headers to indicate possible security violations.

The option takes a series of flag names; the final privacy is the inclusive or of those flags. For example:

```
0 PrivacyOptions=needmailhelo, noexpn
```

insists that the HELO or EHLO command be used before a MAIL command is accepted and disables the EXPN command.

The flags are detailed in RFC 1123 S 5.1.6.

Send to Me Too

Normally, **sendmail** deletes the (envelope) sender from any list expansions. For example, if "linda" sends to a list that contains "linda" as one of the members, she will not get a copy of the message. If the **-m** (me too) command line flag, or if the MeToo (**m**) option is set in the configuration file, this behavior is suppressed.

C and F — Define Classes

Classes of phrases may be defined to match on the left hand side of rewrite rules, where a "phrase" is a sequence of characters that do not contain space characters. For example, a class of all local names for this site might be created so that attempts to send to oneself can be eliminated. These can either be defined directly in the configuration file or read in from another file. Classes are named as a single letter or a word in {braces}. Class names beginning with lowercase letters and special characters are reserved for system use. Classes defined in config files may be given names from the set of uppercase letters for short names or beginning with an uppercase letter for long names.

```
Ccphrase1 phrase2...  
Fcfile
```

The first form defines the class c to match any of the named words. It is permissible to split them among multiple lines; for example, the two forms:

```
CHmonet ucbmonet
```

and

are equivalent. The "F" form reads the elements of the class *c* from the named file.

Elements of classes can be accessed in rules using *\$=* or *\$~*. The *\$~* (match entries not in class) only matches a single word; multi-word entries in the class are ignored in this context.

The class *\$=w* is set to be the set of all names this host is known by. This can be used to match local host names.

The class *\$=k* is set to be the same as *\$k*, that is, the UUCP node name.

The class *\$=m* is set to the set of domains by which this host is known, initially just *\$m*.

The class *\$=t* is set to the set of trusted users by the T configuration line. If you want to read trusted users from a file, use **Ft/file/name**.

The class *\$=n* can be set to the set of MIME body types that can never be eight to seven bit encoded. It defaults to "multipart/signed". Message types "message/*" and "multipart/*" are never encoded directly. Multipart messages are always handled recursively. The handling of message/* messages are controlled by class *\$=s*. The class *\$=e* contains the Content-Transfer-Encodings that can be 8->7 bit encoded. It is predefined to contain "7bit", "8bit", and "binary". The class *\$=s* contains the set of subtypes of message that can be treated recursively. By default it contains only "rfc822". Other "message/*" types cannot be 8->7 bit encoded. If a message containing eight-bit data is sent to a seven-bit host, and that message cannot be encoded into seven bits, it will be stripped to 7 bits.

The three classes *\$=U*, *\$=Y*, and *\$=Z* are defined to describe the hosts requiring the use of a uucp mailer. Specifically, *\$=U* should contain all hosts requiring the uucp-old mailer. *\$=Y* should contain all hosts requiring the uucp-new mailer. Finally, *\$=Z* should contain all hosts requiring the uucp-uudom mailer. Each uucp host should belong to one of these classes.

Sendmail can be compiled to allow a scanf(3) string on the F line. This lets you do simplistic parsing of text files. For example, to read all the user names in your system **/etc/passwd** file into a class, use:

```
FL/etc/passwd %[^\:]
```

which reads every line up to the first colon.

Changing the Host Name

Cw contains all the possible names for the local host. It defines aliases. **Cw** specifies the name and all aliases for your host system. If your system uses different names for two different network connections, enter both names as part of the host name class. If you do not define both names, mail sent to the undefined name is returned to the sender.

```
CwCw alias aliasn...
```

By default, the **sendmail** command reads what has been set with the **hostname** command and uses it to initialize the host and domain name macros and classes. Change the configuration file macros only if you want the **sendmail** host and domain names to be different from those set by the **hostname** command.

To change the host name:

1. Enter the command:

```
vi /etc/mail/sendmail.cf
```

or

```
vi /etc/mail/submit.cf
```

2. Find the lines beginning with *Dj* and *Dw*. *Dj* and *Dw* override the host and domain names set with "hostname".
3. Replace *Dj* and *Dw* with the new hostname information. For example, if your hostname is *brown.newyork.abc.com*, and you have one alias, *brown2*, enter:

4. Save the file and exit the editor.

Creating a Class Using a File

To define a class whose members are listed in an external file (one member per line), use a control line that begins with the letter F. The syntax for the F class definition is:

```
FClass FileName [Format]
```

Class is the name of the class that matches any of the words listed in FileName. Filename is the full path name of file (for convenience, you may wish to put the file in the **/etc/mail** directory). Format is an optional **scanf** subroutine format specifier that indicates the format of the elements of the class in FileName. The Format specifier can contain only one conversion specification.

M — Define Mailer

Programs and interfaces to mailers are defined in this line. The format is:

```
Mname, {field=value}*
```

where name is the name of the mailer (used internally only) and the "field=name" pairs define attributes of the mailer. Fields are:

Field	Description
Path	The path name of the mailer
Flags	Special flags for this mailer
Sender	Rewrite set(s) for sender addresses
Recipient	Rewrite set(s) for recipient addresses
Argv	An argument vector to pass to this mailer
Eol	The end-of-line string for this mail
Maxsize	The maximum message length to this mailer
maxmessages	The maximum message delivers per connection
Linelimit	The maximum line length in the message body
Directory	The working directory for the mailer
Userid	The default user and group ID to run
Nice	The nice(2) increment for the mailer
Charset	The default character set for 8-bit characters
Type	The MTS type information (used for error messages)
Wait	The maximum time to wait for the mailer
/	The root directory for the mailer
Queuegroup	The default queue group for the mailer.

Only the first character of the field name is checked.

The flags in the following list may be set in the mailer description. Any other flags may be used freely to conditionally assign headers to messages destined for particular mailers. Flags marked with - are not interpreted by the **sendmail** binary; these are conventionally used to correlate to the flags portion of the H line. Flags marked with = apply to the mailers for the sender address rather than the usual recipient mailers.

Flag	Description
a	Run Extended SMTP (ESMTP) protocol (defined in RFCs 1651, 1652, and 1653). This flag defaults on if the SMTP greeting message includes the word "ESMTP".
A	Look up the user part of the address in the alias database. Normally this is only set for local mailers.
b	Force a blank line on the end of a message. This is intended to work around some versions of /bin/mail that require a blank line, but do not provide it themselves. It would not normally be used on network mail.
c	Do not include comments in addresses. This should only be used if you have to work around a remote mailer that gets confused by comments. This strips addresses of the form "Phrase <address>" or "address (Comment)" down to just "address".
C=	If mail is received from a mailer with this flag set, any addresses in the header that do not have an at sign ("@") after being rewritten by ruleset three will have the "@domain" clause from the sender envelope address tacked on. This allows mail with headers of the form: <div data-bbox="375 684 664 737" data-label="Text"> <pre>From: usera@hosta To: userb@hostb, userc</pre> </div> to be rewritten automatically (although <i>not</i> reliably) as: <div data-bbox="375 827 742 875" data-label="Text"> <pre>From: usera@hosta To: userb@hostb, userc@hosta</pre> </div>
d	Do not include angle brackets around route-address syntax addresses. This is useful on mailers that are going to pass addresses to a shell that might interpret angle brackets as I/O redirection.
D-	This mailer wants a "Date:" header line.
e	This mailer is expensive to connect to, so try to avoid connecting normally. Any necessary connection will occur during a queue run.
E	Escape lines beginning with "From" in the message with a `>' sign.
f	The mailer wants a -f from flag, but only if this is a network forward operation (that is, the mailer will give an error if the executing user does not have special permissions).
F-	This mailer wants a "From:" header line.
g	Normally, sendmail sends internally generated error messages using the null return address as required by RFC 1123. However, some mailers do not accept a null return address. If necessary, you can set the g flag to prevent sendmail from obeying the standards; error messages will be sent as from the MAILER-DAEMON (actually, the value of the \$n macro).
h	Uppercase should be preserved in host names for this mailer.
i	Do User Database rewriting on envelope sender address.
I	This mailer will be speaking SMTP to another sendmail , as such it can use special protocol features. This option is not required (that is, if this option is omitted the transmission will still operate successfully, although perhaps not as efficiently as possible).
j	Do User Database rewriting on recipients as well as senders.
k	Normally when sendmail connects to a host via SMTP, it checks to make sure that this is not accidentally the same host name as might happen if sendmail is misconfigured or if a long-haul network interface is set in loopback mode. This flag disables the loopback check. It should only be used under very unusual circumstances.
K	Currently unimplemented. Reserved for chunking.
l	This mailer is local (that is, final delivery will be performed).

Flag	Description
L	Limit the line lengths as specified in RFC821. This deprecated option should be replaced by the L= mail declaration. For historic reasons, the L flag also sets the 7 flag.
m	This mailer can send to multiple users on the same host in one transaction. When a \$u macro occurs in the argv part of the mailer definition, that field will be repeated as necessary for all qualifying users.
M-	This mailer wants a "Message-Id:" header line.
n	Do not insert a UNIX-style "From" line on the front of the message.
o	Always run as the owner of the recipient mailbox. Normally sendmail runs as the sender for locally generated mail or as "daemon" (actually, the user specified in the u option) when delivering network mail. The normal behavior is required by most local mailers, which will not allow the envelope sender address to be set unless the mailer is running as daemon. This flag is ignored if the S flag is set.
p	Use the route-addr style reverse-path in the SMTP "MAIL FROM:" command rather than just the return address; although this is required in RFC821 section 3.1, many hosts do not process reverse-paths properly. Reverse-paths are officially discouraged by RFC 1123.
P-	This mailer wants a "Return-Path:" line.
q	When an address that resolves to this mailer is verified (SMTP VRFY command), generate 250 responses instead of 252 responses. This will imply that the address is local.

Flag	Description
r	Same as f , but sends an -r flag.
R	Open SMTP connections from a "secure" port. Secure ports are not secure except on UNIX machines, so it is unclear that this adds anything.
s	Strip quote characters (" and \) off the address before calling the mailer.
S	Do not reset the userid before calling the mailer. This would be used in a secure environment where sendmail ran as root. This could be used to avoid forged addresses. If the U= field is also specified, this flag causes the userid to always be set to that user and group (instead of leaving it as root).
u	Uppercase should be preserved in user names for this mailer.
U	This mailer wants UUCP-style "From" lines with the "remote from <host>" on the end.
w	The user must have a valid account on this machine (getpwnam must succeed). If not, the mail is bounced. This is required to get ".forward" capability.
x-	This mailer wants a "Full-Name:" header line.
X	This mailer wants to use the hidden dot algorithm as specified in RFC821; basically, any line beginning with a dot will have an extra dot prepended (to be stripped at the other end). This ensures that lines in the message containing a dot will not terminate the message prematurely.
z	Run Local Mail Transfer Protocol (LMTP) between sendmail and the local mailer. This is a variant on SMTP defined in RFC 2033 that is specially designed for delivery to a local mailbox.
0	Do not look up Mx records for hosts via SMTP.
3	Extend the list of characters converted to =XX notation when converting to Quoted-Printable to include those that do not map cleanly between ASCII and EBCDIC. Useful if you have IBM mainframes on site.

Flag	Description
5	If no aliases are found for this address, pass the address through ruleset 5 for possible alternate resolution. This is intended to forward the mail to an alternate delivery spot.
6	Strip headers to seven bits.
7	Strip all output to seven bits. This is the default if the L flag is set. Note that clearing this option is not sufficient to get full eight-bit data passed through sendmail . If the 7 option is set, this is essentially always set, because the eighth bit was stripped on input. Note that this option will only impact messages that did not have 8->7 bit MIME conversions performed.
8	If set, it is acceptable to send eight bit data to this mailer; the usual attempt to do 8->7 bit MIME conversions will be bypassed.
9	If set, do limited 7->8 bit MIME conversions. These conversions are limited to text/plain data.
:	Check addresses to see if they begin ":include:". If they do, convert them to the "*include" mailer.
	Check addresses to see if they begin with a ` '. If they do, convert them to the "prog" mailer.
/	Check addresses to see if they begin with a `/'. If they do, convert them to the "*file" mailer.
@	Look up addresses in the user database.
%	Do not attempt delivery on initial recipient of a message or on queue runs unless the queued message is selected using one of the -qI/-qR/-qS queue run modifiers or an ETRN request.

Note: Configuration files prior to level 6 assume the `A', `w', `5', `:', `|', `/', and `@' options on the mailer named "local".

The mailer with the special name "error" can be used to generate a user error. The (optional) host field is an exit status to be returned, and the user field is a message to be printed. The exit status may be numeric or one of the values USAGE, NOUSER, NOHOST, UNAVAILABLE, SOFTWARE, TEMPFAIL, PROTOCOL, or CONFIG to return the corresponding EX_ exit code. For example, the entry:

```
$#error $@ NOHOST $: Host unknown in this domain
```

on the RHS of a rule will cause the specified error to be generated and the "Host unknown" exit status to be returned if the LHS matches. It is always available for use in O, S, and check_ ... rulesets and it cannot be defined with **M** commands.

The mailer named "local" must be defined in every configuration file. This is used to deliver local mail, and is treated specially in several ways. Additionally, three other mailers named "prog", **"*file"**, and **"*include"** may be defined to tune the delivery of messages to programs, files, and :include: lists respectively. They default to:

```
Mprog, P=/bin/sh, F=lsoDq9, T=DNS/RFC822/X-Unix, A=sh -c $u
M*file*, P=[FILE], F=lsDFMPEuq9, T=DNS/RFC822/X-Unix, A=FILE $u
M*include*, P=/dev/null, F=su, A=INCLUDE $u
```

The Sender and Recipient rewrite sets may either be a simple ruleset ID or may be two IDs separated by a slash. If so, the first rewrite set is applied to envelope addresses, and the second is applied to headers. Setting any value to zero disables the corresponding mailer-specific rewriting.

The **Directory** field is a path of directories to try. For example, the definition **D=\$z : /** tries to execute the recipient's home directory, but if that is not available, it tries to execute in the root of the filesystem. Use this on the **prog** mailer only, because some shells (e.g., **csh**) do not execute if they cannot read the home directory. Because the queue directory usually cannot be read by unauthorized users, **csh** scripts can fail if they are used as recipients.

The **Userid** field specifies the default user and group ID to run. It overrides the **DefaultUser** option *q.v.* If the **S** mailer flag is also specified, the user and group ID will run in all circumstances. Use the form

user:group to set both the user and group ID. Either of these variables may be an integer or a symbolic name that is looked up in the **passwd** and **group** files respectively.

The **Charset** field is used when converting a message to MIME. It is the character set used in the **Content-Type: header**. If it is not set, the **DefaultCharset** option is used. If the **DefaultCharset** is not set, the value **unknown-8bit** is used. The **Charset** field applies to the *sender's* mailer; *not the recipient's* mailer. For example: if the envelope sender address is on the local network and the recipient is on an external network, the character set is set from the **Charset=** field for the local network mailer, not the external network mailer.

The **Type** field sets the type of information used in MIME error messages (as defined by RFC 1984). It contains three values that are separated by slashes: the MTA type (a description of how hosts are named), address type (a description of e-mail addresses), and diagnostic type (a description of error diagnostic codes). Each must be a registered value or begin with **X-**. The default is **dns/rfc822/smtp**.

Mailer Specifications Examples

1. To specify a local delivery mailer enter:

```
Mlocal, P=/usr/bin/bellmail, F=lsDFMmn, S=10, R=20, A=mail $u
```

The mailer is called **local**. Its path name is **/usr/bin/bellmail**. The mailer uses the following flags:

Item	Description
l	Specifies local delivery.
s	Strips quotation marks from addresses.
DFM	Requires Date: , From: , and Message-ID: fields.
m	Delivers to multiple users.
n	Does not need an operating system From line at the start of the message.

Rule set 10 should be applied to sender addresses in the message. Rule set 20 should be applied to recipient addresses. Additional information sent to the mailer in the **A** field is the word *mail* and words containing the recipient's name.

H — Define Header

The format of the header lines that **sendmail** inserts into the message are defined by the **H** line. The syntax of this line is one of the following:

```
Hname:htemplate
H[?mflags?]hname: htemplate
H[?${macro}?hname:htemplate
```

Continuation lines in this spec are reflected directly into the outgoing message. The **htemplate** is macro expanded before insertion into the message. If the **mflags** (surrounded by question marks) are specified, at least one of the specified flags must be stated in the mailer definition for this header to be automatically output. If one of these headers is in the input, it is reflected to the output regardless of these flags.

Some headers have special semantics that will be described later.

A secondary syntax allows validation of headers as they being read. To enable validation, use:

```
HHeader: $>Ruleset
HHeader: $>+Ruleset
```

The indicated *Ruleset* is called for the specified *Header*. Like other **check_*** rulesets, it can return **\$error** to reject the message or **discard** to discard the message. The header is treated as a

structured field, so comments (in parentheses) are deleted before processing, unless the second form \$>+ is used.

For example, the following configuration lines:

```
HMessage-Id: $>CheckMessageId
SCheckMessageId
R<$+@$+> $@OK
R$*      $#error $: Illegal Message-Id header
```

would refuse any message header that had a Message-Id: header of any of the following forms:

```
Message-Id: <>
Message-Id: some text
Message-Id: <legal test@domain> extra text
```

Message Headings in the sendmail.cf File and submit.cf File

Lines in the configuration file that begin with a capital letter *H*, define the format of the headers used in messages. The format of the H command is:

Lines in the configuration file that begin with a capital letter *H*, define the format of the headers used in messages. The format of the H control line is:

```
H[?MailerFlags?]FieldName: Content
```

The variable parameters are defined as:

Parameter	Definition
MailerFlags	Determines whether the H line is used. This parameter is optional. If you supply this parameter, surround it with ? (question marks). If the mailer requires the field defined by this control line (as indicated in the mailer definition's flags field), then the H control line is included when formatting the heading. Otherwise, the H control line is ignored.
FieldName	Contains the text displayed as the name of the field in the heading information. Typical field names include From:, To:, and Subject:.
Content	Defines the information that is displayed following the field name. Usually macros specify this information.

These example lines are from a typical configuration file:

Example	Meaning
H?P?Return-Path: <\$g>	Defines a field called Return-Path that displays the content of the \$g macro (sender address relative to the recipient). The ?P? portion indicates this line is only used if the mailer uses the P flag (the mailer requires a Return-Path line). The header is generated only if the mailer has the indicated flag. If the header appears in the input message, it is passed through unchanged.

Example

```
HReceived: $?sfrom  
$s $.by $j ($v/$Z)  
id $i; $b
```

Meaning

Defines a field called Received. This field includes:

\$?sfrom \$s \$.

Displays the text `from` followed by the content of the **\$s** macro if an **s** macro is defined (sender's host name).

by \$j

Displays the text `by` followed by the content of the **\$j** macro (official name for a specific location).

(\$v/\$Z)

Displays the version of the **sendmail** command (**\$v**) and the version of the configuration file (**\$Z**), set off by parentheses and separated by a slash.

id \$i;

Displays the text `id` followed by the content of the **\$i** macro (mail-queue ID of the message) and a `;` (semicolon).

\$b

Displays the current date.

O — Set Option

There are several global options that can be set from a configuration file. The syntax of this line is:

```
O option=value
```

This sets option *equal* to *value*. The options supported are listed in the following table.

Option	Description
AliasFile=spec, spec, ...	Specify possible alias file(s). Each spec should be in the format <i>class::file</i> where <i>class::</i> is optional and defaults to implicit if not included. Depending on how sendmail is compiled, valid classes are: implicit search through a compiled-in list of alias file types, for back compatibility hash if NEWDB is specified dbm if NDBM is specified stab Internal symbol table. Not normally used unless there is no other database lookup nis if NIS is specified If a list of specs are provided, sendmail searches them in order.
AliasWait=time-out	Waits up to <i>time-out</i> (units default to minutes) for an <code>@: @</code> entry to exist in the alias database before starting up. If it does not appear in the <i>time-out</i> interval and the AutoRebuildAliases option is also set, rebuild the database. Otherwise, issue a warning.
AllowBogusHELO	Allows HELO SMTP commands that do not include a host name. Setting this violates RFC 1123 section 5.2.5, but is necessary to interoperate with several SMTP clients. If there is a value, it is still checked for legitimacy.
BlankSub=c	Sets the blank substitution character to <i>c</i> . Unquoted spaces in addresses are replaced by this character. If not defined, it defaults to a space and no replacement is made.
CACERTPath	Path to directory with certificates of CAs.
CACERTFile	File containing one CA certificate.
CheckAliases	Validate the RHS of aliases when rebuilding the alias database.

Option	Description
CheckpointInterval = <i>N</i>	Defines the queue checkpoint interval to every <i>N</i> addresses sent. If not specified, the default is 10. If your system crashes during delivery to a large list, this prevents retransmission to any but the last recipients.
ClassFactor = <i>fact</i>	The indicated <i>factor</i> is multiplied by the message class and subtracted from the priority. The message class is determined by the Precedence: field in the user header and the P lines in the configuration file. Messages with a higher Priority: will be favored. If not specified, the defaults is 1800.
ClientCertFile	The file containing the certificate of the client. This certificate is used when sendmail acts as client.
ClientPortOptions = <i>options</i>	Sets client SMTP options. The options are <i>key=value</i> pairs separated by commas. Known keys are: <div> <div>Port Name/number of source port for connection. Default is any free port.</div> <div>Addr Address mask. Default is INADDR_ANY. Can be a numeric address in dot notation or a network name.</div> <div>Family Address family. Default is INET.</div> <div>SndBufSize Size of TCP send buffer.</div> <div>RcvBufSize Size of TCP receive buffer.</div> <div>Modifier Flags for the daemon. Can be the following character: <div> <div>h Use name of interface for HELO command</div> <div>If h is set, the name corresponding to the outgoing interface address (whether chosen via the <i>Connection</i> parameter or the default) is used for the HELO/EHLO command.</div> </div> </div> </div>
ClientKeyFile	The file containing the private key belonging to the client certificate.
ColonOkInAddr	If set, colons are acceptable in e-mail addresses, for example: <div> <pre>host:user</pre> </div> <p>If not set, colons indicate the beginning of a RFC 822 group construct, illustrated below:</p> <div> <pre>groupname: member1, member2, ... memberN;</pre> </div> <p>Doubled colons are always acceptable, such as in</p> <div> <pre>nodename::user</pre> </div> <p>and proper routeaddr nesting is understood, for example:</p> <div> <pre><@relay:user@host></pre> </div> <p>This option defaults to on if the configuration version level is less than 6, for backward compatibility. However, it must be set to off for full compatibility with RFC 822.</p>
ConnectionCacheSize = <i>N</i>	<i>N</i> is the maximum number of open connections that will be cached at a time. If not specified, the default is 1. This delays closing the current connection until either this invocation of sendmail connects to another host or it terminates. Setting it to 0 causes connections to closed immediately. Because this consumes file descriptors, the connection cache should be kept small: 4 is a practical maximum.
ConnectionCacheTimeout = <i>time-out</i>	<i>Timeout</i> is the maximum amount of time a cached connection will be permitted to be idle. If this time is exceeded, the connection is immediately closed. This value should be small: 10 minutes is a practical maximum; the default is 5 minutes. Before sendmail uses a cached connection, it always sends a RSET command to check the connection. If this fails, it reopens the connection. This keeps your end from failing if the other end times out.
ConnectOnlyTo = <i>address</i>	Can be used to override the connection address for testing purposes.

Option	Description
ConnectionRateThrottle = <i>N</i>	If set, allows no more than <i>N</i> incoming daemon connections in a one second period. This is intended to flatten peaks and allow the load-average checking to cut in. If not specified, the default is 0 (no limits).
ControlSocketName = <i>name</i>	Defines the name of the control socket for daemon management. A running sendmail daemon can be controlled through this named socket. Available commands are: help , restart , shutdown , and status . The status command returns the current number of daemon children, the maximum number of daemon children, free disk space blocks of the queue directory, and the load average of the machine expressed as an integer. If not set, no control socket will be available.

Option	Description
DaemonPortOptions = <i>options</i>	<p>Set server SMTP options. Each instance of DaemonPortOptions leads to an additional incoming socket. The options are <i>key=value</i> pairs. Known keys are:</p> <p>Name User-definable name for the daemon. Default is Daemon#. Is used for error messages and logging.</p> <p>To be able to send mail but not receive mail on a system, edit the configuration files:</p> <pre># 0 DaemonPortOptions=Name=MTA 0 DaemonPortOptions=NAME=NoMTA4, Family=inet, Addr=127.0.0.1</pre> <p>Port Name/number of listening port. Default is smtp.</p> <p>Addr Address mask. Default is INADDR_ANY. This may be a numeric address in dot notation or a network name.</p> <p>Family Address family. Default is INET (IPv4). IPv6 systems that need to accept IPv6 connections, should add additional Family=inet6 DaemonPort Options lines.</p> <p>Listen Size of listen queue. Default is 10.</p> <p>Modifier Flags for the daemon. Can be a sequence, without delimiters, of the following characters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a Always require authentication. b Bind to interface through which mail has been received for the outgoing connection. Note: Use the b flag only if outgoing mail can be routed through the incoming connection's interface to its destination. No attempt is made to catch problems that result from incorrectly configuring this parameter. It should only be used for virtual hosting where each virtual interface can connect to every possible location. The b flag can override the settings through ClientPort Options. In addition, sendmail will listen on a new socket for each occurrence of the DaemonPortOptions subcommand in a configuration file. c Perform hostname canonicalization (.cf). Can change the default for hostname canonicalization in the sendmail.cf file or in the submit.cf file. See the documentation for FEATURE(nocanonify) in the /user/samples/tcpip/sendmail/README file. f Require fully qualified hostname (.cf). Cannot use addresses in the form <i>user@host</i> unless they are directly submitted. u Allow unqualified addresses (.cf) (including sender addresses). C Do not perform hostname canonicalization. Can change the default for hostname canonicalization in the sendmail.cf file or in the submit.cf file. See the documentation for FEATURE(nocanonify) in the /user/samples/tcpip/sendmail/README file. E Do not allow ETRN (see RFC 2476). <p>One way to specify a message submission agent (MSA) that always require authentication is:</p> <pre>0 DeamonPortOptions=Name=MSA,Port=587,M=Ea</pre> <p>Modifiers marked with (.cf) are effective only when used in the standard configuration file (available through \${daemon_flags}) and cannot be used from the command line.</p>

Option	Description
DaemonPortOptions = <i>options</i> cont.	<p>SndBufSize Size of TCP send buffer.</p> <p>RcvBufSize Size of TCP receive buffer children maximum number of children per daemon, see MaxDaemonChildren.</p> <p>DeliveryMode Delivery mode per daemon, see DeliveryMode.</p> <p>refuseLA RefuseLA per daemon.</p> <p>delayLA DelayLA per daemon.</p> <p>queueLA QueueLA per daemon.</p>
DefaultAuthInfo	Filename that contains default authentication information for outgoing connections. This file must contain the user ID, authorization ID, password (plain text), and the realm to use on separate lines and must be readable only by root (or the trusted user). If no realm is specified, \$j is used.
DefaultCharSet = <i>charset</i>	When a message that has 8-bit characters, but is not in MIME format, is converted to MIME (see the EightBitMode option) a character set must be included in the Content-Type: header. This character set is normally set from the Charset= field of the mailer descriptor. If that is not set, the value of this option is used. If this option is not set, the value unknown-8bit is used.
DataFileBufferSize = <i>threshold</i>	Sets <i>threshold</i> in bytes before a memory-based queue data file becomes disk-based. The default is 4096 bytes.
DeadLetterDrop = <i>file</i>	Defines the location of the systemwide dead.letter file, formerly hardcoded to /usr/tmp/dead.letter . If this option is not set, sendmail will not attempt to save to a systemwide dead.letter file in the event it cannot bounce the mail to the user or postmaster. Instead, it will rename the qf file.
DefaultUser = <i>user:group</i>	Set the default user ID for mailers to <i>user:group</i> . If <i>group</i> is omitted and <i>user</i> is a user name (as opposed to a numeric user ID) the default group listed in the /etc/passwd file for that user is used as the default group. Both <i>user</i> and <i>group</i> may be numeric. Mailers without the S flag in the mailer definition will run as this user. When not specified, the default is 1:1. The value can also be given as a symbolic user name.
DeliveryMode = <i>x</i>	<p>Deliver in mode <i>x</i>. Legal modes are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i Deliver interactively (synchronously). b Deliver in background (asynchronously). q Just queue the message (deliver during queue run). d Defer delivery and all map lookups (deliver during queue run). <p>Defaults to b if no option is specified, i if it is specified but given no argument (for example, Od is equivalent to Odi). The -v command line flag sets this to i.</p> <p>Note: For internal reasons, i does not work if a milter is enabled which can reject or delete recipients. In that case the mode is changed to b.</p>
DialDelay = <i>sleeptime</i>	Dial-on-demand network connections can see time-outs if a connection is opened before the call is set up. If this is set to an interval and a connection times out on the first connection being attempted, sendmail will sleep for this amount of time and try again. This should give your system time to establish the connection to your service provider. Units default to seconds, so DialDelay=5 would use a five second delay. If not specified, the default is 0 (no retry).

Option

DontBlameSendmail

=option,option,...

Description

In order to avoid possible cracking attempts caused by world- and group-writable files and directories, **sendmail** does paranoid checking when opening most of its support files. However, if a system must run with a group-writable **/etc** directory, then this checking must be turned off. Note that turning off this checking will make your system more vulnerable to attack. The arguments are individual options that turn off checking:

Safe

No special handling.

AssumeSafeChown

Assume that the **chown** call is restricted to root. Because some systems are set up to permit regular users to give away their files to other users on some file systems, **sendmail** often cannot assume that a given file was created by the owner, particularly when it is in a writable directory. You can set this flag if you know that file giveaway is restricted on your system.

ClassFileInUnsafeDirPath

When reading class files (using the **F** line in the configuration file), allow files that are in unsafe directories.

DontWarnForwardFileInUnsafeDirPath

Prevent logging of unsafe directory path warnings for nonexistent forward files.

ErrorHeaderInUnsafeDirPath

Allow the file named in the **ErrorHeader** option to be in an unsafe directory.

FileDeliveryToHardLink

Allow delivery to files that are hard links.

FileDeliveryToSymLink

Allow delivery to files that are symbolic links.

ForwardFileInUnsafeDirPath

Allow **.forward** files in unsafe directories.

ForwardFileInUnsafeDirPathSafe

Allow **.forward** files that are in an unsafe directory to include references to program and files.

ForwardFileIngroupWritableDirPath

Allow **.forward** files in group writable directories.

GroupWritableAliasFile

Allow group-writable alias files.

GroupWritableDirPathSafe

Change the definition of *unsafe directory* to consider group-writable directories to be safe. World-writable directories are always unsafe.

GroupWritableForwardFileSafe

Accept group-writable **.forward** files.

GroupWritableIncludeFileSafe

Accept group-writable **:include:** files.

HelpFileInUnsafeDirPath

Allow the file named in the **HelpFile** option to be in an unsafe directory.

IncludeFileInUnsafeDirPath

Allow **:include:** files in unsafe directories.

Option	Description
	<p>IncludeFileInUnsafeDirPathSafe Allow .forward files that are in an unsafe directory to include references to program and files.</p> <p>IncludeFileIngroupWritableDirPath Allow :include: files in group writable directories.</p> <p>InsufficientEntropy Try to use STARTTLS even if the PRGN for OpenSSL is not properly seeded despite the security problems.</p> <p>LinkedAliasFileInWritableDir Allow alias files that are links in a writable directory.</p> <p>LinkedClassFileInWritableDir Allow class files that are links in writable directories.</p> <p>LinkedForwardFileInWritableDir Allow .forward files that are links in writable directories.</p> <p>LinkedIncludeFileInWritableDir Allow :include: files that are links in writable directories.</p> <p>LinkedMapInWritableDir Allow map files that are links in writable directories.</p> <p>LinkedServiceSwitchFileInWritableDir Allow the service switch file to be a link even if the directory is writable.</p> <p>MapInUnsafeDirPath Allow maps (such as hash, btree, and dbm files) in unsafe directories.</p> <p>NonRootSafeAddr Do not mark file and program deliveries as unsafe if sendmail is not running.</p> <p>RunProgramInUnsafeDirPath Run programs that are in writable directories.</p> <p>RunWritableProgram Run programs that are group- or world-writable.</p> <p>TrustStickyBit Allow group- or world-writable directories if the sticky bit is set on the directory. Do not set this on systems which do not honor the sticky bit on directories.</p> <p>WorldWritableAliasFile Accept world-writable alias files.</p> <p>WriteMapToHardLink Allow writes to maps that are hard links.</p> <p>WriteMapToSymLink Allow writes to maps that are symbolic links.</p> <p>WriteStatsToHardLink Allow the status file to be a hard link.</p> <p>WriteStatsToSymLink Allow the status file to be a symbolic link.</p> <p>Safe is the default. The details of these flags are described above. Use of this option is not recommended.</p>
DontExpandCnames	<p>The standards say that all host addresses used in a mail message must be fully canonical. For example, if your host is named Cruft.Foo.ORG and also has an alias of FTP.Foo.ORG, the name Cruft.Foo.ORG must be used at all times. This is enforced during host name canonicalization (\$ [... \$] lookups). If this option is set, the protocols will be ignored and the wrong name will be used. However, the IETF is moving toward changing this standard, so the behavior may become acceptable. Please note that hosts downstream may still rewrite the address to be the true canonical name.</p>
DontInitGroups	<p>If set, sendmail will avoid using the initgroups(3) call. If you are running NIS, this causes a sequential scan of the groups.byname map, which can cause your NIS server to be badly overloaded in a large domain. The cost of this is that the only group found for users will be their primary group (the one in the password file), which will make file access permissions somewhat more restrictive. Has no effect on systems that do not have group lists.</p>

Option	Description
DontProbeInterfaces	Sendmail normally finds the names of all interfaces active on your machine when it starts up and adds their name to the \$=w class of known host aliases. If you have a large number of virtual interfaces or if your DNS inverse lookups are slow this can be time consuming. This option turns off that probing. However, you will need to be certain to include all variant names in the \$=w class by some other mechanism.
DontPruneRoutes	Sendmail tries to eliminate any unnecessary explicit routes when sending an error message (as discussed in RFC 1123 S 5.2.6). For example, when sending an error message to <@known1,@known2,@known3:user@unknown>, sendmail will strip off the @known1,@known2 in order to make the route as direct as possible. However, if the RR option is set, this will be disabled, and the mail will be sent to the first address in the route, even if later addresses are known. This may be useful if you are caught behind a firewall.
DoubleBounceAddress =error-address	If an error occurs when sending an error message, send the error report to the indicated address. This is termed a <i>double bounce</i> because it is an error bounce that occurs when trying to send another error bounce. The address is macro expanded at the time of delivery. If not set, it defaults to postmaster.
Item	Description
EightBitMode =action	<p>Set handling of eight-bit data. There are two kinds of eight-bit data:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Data declared as eight-bit using the BODY=8BITMIME ESMTP declaration or the B8BITMIME command line flag • Undeclared 8-bit data, which is input that just happens to be eight bits. <p>There are three basic operations that can happen:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Undeclared 8-bit data can be automatically converted to 8BITMIME. • Undeclared 8-bit data can be passed as-is, without conversion to MIME. • Declared 8-bit data can be converted to 7-bits for transmission to a non-8BITMIME mailer. <p>Possible actions are:</p> <p>s Reject undeclared 8-bit data (strict).</p> <p>m Convert undeclared 8-bit data to MIME (mime).</p> <p>p Pass undeclared 8-bit data (pass).</p> <p>In all cases properly declared 8BITMIME data will be converted to 7BIT as needed.</p>
ErrorHeader =file-or-message	Prepend error messages with the indicated message. If it begins with a slash (/), it is assumed to be the pathname of a file containing a message, which is the recommended setting. Otherwise, it is a literal message. The error file might contain the name, e-mail address, and/or phone number of a local postmaster who could provide assistance to end users. If the option is missing or null, or if it names a file which does not exist or are not readable, no message is printed.
ErrorMode =x	<p>Dispose of errors using mode x. The values for x are:</p> <p>p Print error messages (default).</p> <p>q No messages, just give exit status.</p> <p>m Mail back errors.</p> <p>w Write back errors (mail if user not logged in).</p> <p>e Mail back errors and give zero exit status always.</p>
.llbackMXhost =fallbackhost	If specified, the <i>fallbackhost</i> acts like a very low priority MX on every host. This is intended to be used by sites with poor network connectivity. Messages which are undeliverable due to temporary address failures, such as in a DNS failure, also go to the FallBackMX host.
FallBackSmartHost =hostname	If specified, the FallBackSmartHost is be used in a last-ditch effort for each host.

Item	Description
FastSplit	If set to a value greater than zero (the default is one), it suppresses the MX lookups on addresses when they are initially sorted, that is, for the first delivery attempt. This usually results in faster envelope splitting unless the MX records are readily available in a local DNS cache.
ForkEachJob	If set, deliver each job that is run from the queue in a separate process. Use this option if you are short of memory, because the default tends to consume considerable amounts of memory while the queue is being processed.
ForwardPath= <i>path</i>	Sets the path for searching for users' .forward files. The default is <code>\$z/.forward</code> . Some sites that use the automounter may prefer to change this to <code>/var/forward/\$u</code> to search a file with the same name as the user in a system directory. It can also be set to a sequence of paths separated by colons. Sendmail stops at the first file it can successfully and safely open. For example, <div style="background-color: #f0f0f0; padding: 5px; margin: 10px 0;"> <code>/var/forward/\$u:\$z/.forward</code> </div> will search first in <code>/var/forward/username</code> and then in <code>~username/.forward</code> , but only if the first file does not exist.
HelpFile= <i>file</i>	Specifies the help file for SMTP. If no file name is specified, <code>helpfile</code> is used.
HoldExpensive	If an outgoing mailer is marked as being expensive, do not connect immediately. This requires that queueing be compiled in, because it will depend on a queue run process to actually send the mail.
HostsFile= <i>path</i>	Specifies the path to the hosts database, normally <code>/etc/hosts</code> . This option is only consulted when sendmail is canonicalizing addresses, and then only when files is in the hosts service switch entry. In particular, this file is never used when looking up host addresses; that is under the control of the system gethostbyname(3) routine.
HostStatusDirectory= <i>path</i>	Sets the location of the long term host status information. When set, information about the status of hosts (such as if the host down or not accepting connections) will be shared between all sendmail processes. Normally, this information is only held within a single queue run. This option requires a connection cache of at least 1 to function. If the option begins with a leading <code>/</code> , it is an absolute pathname; otherwise, it is relative to the mail queue directory. A suggested value for sites desiring persistent host status is .hoststat , which is a subdirectory of the queue directory.
IgnoreDots	Ignore dots in incoming messages. This is always disabled when reading SMTP mail, and as a result, dots are always accepted.
LDAPDefaultSpec= <i>spec</i>	Sets a default map specification for LDAP maps. The value should only contain LDAP specific settings such as <code>-h host -p port -d bindDN</code> . The settings will be used for all LDAP maps unless the individual map specification overrides a setting. This option should be set before any LDAP maps are defined.
LogLevel= <i>n</i>	Set the log level to <i>n</i> . Defaults to 9.
Mxvalue	Set the macro <code>x</code> to value. This is intended only for use from the command line. The -M flag is preferred.
MatchGECOS	Allow fuzzy matching on the GECOS field. If this flag is set, and the usual user name lookups fail (that is, there is no alias with this name and a getpwnam fails), sequentially search the password file for a matching entry in the GECOS field. This also requires that MATCHGECOS be turned on during compilation. This option is not recommended. Note: Fuzzy matching is performed only on the NIS modules and on local users in the system.
MaxAliasRecursion= <i>N</i>	<i>N</i> is the maximum depth of alias recursion. Default is 10.
MaxDaemonChildren= <i>N</i>	If set, sendmail will refuse connections when it has more than <i>N</i> children processing incoming mail or automatic queue runs. This does not limit the number of outgoing connections. If not set, there is no limit to the number of children; the system load averaging will controls this. If the default DeliveryMode (background) is used, then sendmail may create an almost unlimited number of children (depending on the number of transactions and the relative execution times of mail reception and mail delivery). If the limit should be enforced, then a DeliveryMode other than background must be used. If not set, there is no limit to the number of children, that is, the system load average controls this.
MaxHeadersLength= <i>N</i>	<i>N</i> is the maximum length of the sum of all headers. This can be used to prevent a denial of service attack. The default is no limit.
MaxHopCount= <i>N</i>	The maximum hop count. Messages that have been processed more than <i>N</i> times are assumed to be in a loop and are rejected. Default is 25.

Item	Description
MaxMessageSize = <i>N</i>	Specify the maximum message size to be advertised in the ESMTP EHLO response. Messages larger than <i>N</i> will be rejected.
MaxMimeHeaderLength = <i>N</i> [/ <i>M</i>]	Sets the maximum length of certain MIME header field values to <i>N</i> characters. If <i>M</i> is specified, certain headers that take parameters will use <i>M</i> instead of <i>N</i> . If <i>M</i> is not specified, these headers will use one half of <i>N</i> . By default, these values are 0, which indicates no checks are done.
MaxQueueRunSize = <i>N</i>	<p><i>N</i> is the maximum number of jobs that will be processed in a single queue run. If not set, there is no limit on the size. If you have very large queues or a very short queue run interval this could be unstable. However, because the first <i>N</i> jobs in queue directory order are run (rather than the <i>N</i> highest priority jobs) this should be set as high as possible to avoid losing jobs that happen to fall late in the queue directory.</p> <p>Note: This option also restricts the number of entries printed by mailq. That is, if the MaxQueueRunSize is set to a value <i>N</i> larger than zero, then only <i>N</i> entries are printed per queue group.</p>
MaxRecipientsPerMessage = <i>N</i>	<p>The maximum number of recipients that will be accepted per message in an SMTP transaction. If not set, there is no limit on the number of recipients per envelope.</p> <p>Note: Setting this too low can interfere with sending mail from MUAs that use SMTP for initial submission.</p>
MeToo	Send to me too, even if I am in an alias expansion. This option is deprecated and will be removed from a future version.
MinFreeBlocks = <i>N</i>	Sets at least <i>N</i> blocks free on the file system that holds the queue files before accepting e-mail via SMTP. If there is insufficient space, sendmail gives a 452 response to the MAIL command and invites the sender to try again later.
MinQueueAge = <i>age</i>	Do not process any queued jobs that have been in the queue less than the indicated time interval. This promotes system responsiveness by processing the queue frequently without taxing the system by trying jobs too often. The default units are minutes.
MustQuoteChars = <i>s</i>	Sets the list of characters that must be quoted if used in a full name that is in the phrase part of a <i>phrase</i> < <i>address</i> > syntax. The default is ' . . The characters @ , ; : \ () [] are always added to this list.
NoRecipientAction	<p>The action to take when you receive a message that has no valid recipient headers, such as To: , Cc: , or Bcc: . It can be:</p> <p>None Passes the message on unmodified, which violates the protocol.</p> <p>Add-To Adds a To: header with any recipients it can find in the envelope (which might expose Bcc: recipients).</p> <p>Add-To-Undisclosed Adds a header To: undisclosed-recipients: ; to make the header legal without disclosing anything.</p> <p>Add-Bcc Adds an empty Bcc: header.</p>
OldStyleHeaders	Assume that the headers may be in old format with spaces delimit names. This actually turns on an adaptive algorithm: if any recipient address contains a comma, parenthesis, or angle bracket, it will be assumed that commas already exist. If this flag is not on, only commas delimit names. Headers are always output with commas between the names. Defaults to off.
OperatorChars = <i>charlist</i>	The list of characters that are considered to be operators, that is, characters that delimit tokens. All operator characters are tokens by themselves; sequences of non-operator characters are also tokens. White space characters separate tokens but are not tokens themselves. For example, AAA . BBB has three tokens, but AAA BBB has two. If not set, OperatorChars defaults to . : @ [] " . In addition, the characters " () < > , ; " are always operators. Note that OperatorChars must be set in the configuration file before any rulesets.
PidFile = <i>filename</i>	Sets the <i>filename</i> of the pid file. Default is PATHSENDMAILPID. The filename is macro-expanded before it is opened.
PostmasterCopy = <i>postmaster</i>	If set, copies of error messages will be sent to the named <i>postmaster</i> . Only the header of the failed message is sent. Errors resulting from messages with a negative precedence will not be sent. Because most errors are user problems, this is not a good idea on large sites, and may contain privacy violations. The address is macro expanded at the time of delivery. Defaults to no <i>postmaster</i> copies.

Item	Description
PrivacyOptions = <i>opt,opt,...</i>	Sets privacy options. These are a way of insisting on stricter adherence to the SMTP protocol. The options can be one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> public Allow open access. needmailhelo Insist on HELO or EHLO command before MAIL. needexpnhelo Insist on HELO or EHLO command before EXPN. noexpn Do not allow EXPN, implies noverb. needvrfyhelo Insist on HELO or EHLO command before VERFY. noverfy Do not allow VERFY. noetrn Do not allow ETRN. noverb Do not allow VERB. restrictmailq Restrict mailq command. If mailq is restricted, only people in the same group as the queue directory can print the queue. restrictqrun Restrict -q command line flag. If queue runs are restricted, only root and the owner of the queue directory can run the queue. noreceipts Do not return success DSNs. nobodyreturn Do not return the body of a message with DSNs. goaway Do not allow SMTP status queries. Sets all flags except noreceipts, restrictmailq, restrictqrun, noetrn, and nobodyreturn. authwarnings Put X-Authentication-Warning: headers in messages. Authentication Warnings add warnings about various conditions that may indicate attempts to spoof the mail system, such as using a nonstandard queue directory.
Option	Description
ProcessTitlePrefix = <i>string</i>	Prefix the process title shown on ps listings with <i>string</i> . The string will be macro processed.
QueueDirectory = <i>dir</i>	Use the named <i>dir</i> as the queue directory. To use multiple queues, supply a value ending with an asterisk. For example, entering <i>/var/spool/mqueue/q*</i> will use all of the directories or symbolic links to directories beginning with <i>q</i> in <i>/var/spool/mqueue</i> as queue directories. Do not change the queue directory structure while sendmail is running.
QueueFactor = <i>factor</i>	Use <i>factor</i> as the multiplier in the map function to decide when to just queue up jobs rather than run them. This value is divided by the difference between the current load average and the load average limit (QueueLA option) to determine the maximum message priority that will be sent. Default is 600000.
QueueLA = <i>LA</i>	When the system load average exceeds <i>LA</i> , just queue messages, do not try to send them. Defaults to 8 multiplied by the number of processors online on the system, if that can be determined.

Option	Description
QueueSortOrder = <i>algorithm</i>	Sets the <i>algorithm</i> used for sorting the queue. Only the first character of the value is used. Legal values are: <p>host Orders by the name of the first host name of the first recipient. Makes better use of the connection cache, but may tend to process low priority messages that go to a single host over high priority messages that go to several hosts; it probably should not be used on slow network links.</p> <p>filename Orders by the name of the queue file name. Saves the overhead of reading all of the queued items before starting the queue run.</p> <p>time Orders by the submission time. Should not be used because it allows large, bulk mail to go out before smaller, personal mail. May be appropriate on certain hosts with very fast connections.</p> <p>priority Orders by message priority. Is the default.</p>
QueueTimeout = <i>time-out</i>	Do not use. Use Timeout.queuereturn .
RandFile	Name of file containing random data or the name of the socket if EGD is used. A required prefix egd: or file: specifies the type. STARTTLS requires this filename if the compile flag HASURANDOM is not set (see /user/samples/tcpip/sendmail/README).
ResolverOptions = <i>options</i>	Set resolver options. Values can be set using <i>+flag</i> and cleared using <i>-flag</i> . Available flags are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • debug • aaonly • usevc • primary • igntc • recurse • defnames • stayopen • dnsrch <p>The string HasWildcardMX (without a + or -) can be specified to turn off matching against MX records when doing name canonicalizations.</p> <p>Note: In previous releases, this option indicated that the name server be responding in order to accept addresses. This has been replaced by checking to see if the DNS method is listed in the service switch entry for the hosts service.</p>
RrtImpliesDsn	If this option is set, a ReturnReceipt-To: header causes the request of a DSN to be sent to the envelope sender as required by RFC1891, not to the address given in the header.
RunAsUser = <i>user</i>	The user parameter may be a user name (looked up in /etc/passwd) or a numeric user ID. Either form can have <i>:group</i> attached, <i>group</i> can be numeric or symbolic. If set to a non-zero/non-root value, sendmail will change to this user ID shortly after startup. This avoids a certain class of security problems. However, this means that all .forward and :include: files must be readable by the indicated user and all files to be written must be writable by <i>user</i> . Also, all file and program deliveries will be marked unsafe unless the option DontBlameSendmail=NonRootAddrSafe is set, in which case the delivery will be done as <i>user</i> . It is also incompatible with the SafeFileEnvironment option. It may not actually add much to security on an average system, and may in fact detract from security, because other file permissions must be loosened. However, it may be useful on firewalls and other places where users do not have accounts and the aliases file is well constrained.
RecipientFactor = <i>fact</i>	The indicated <i>factor</i> is added to the priority for each recipient, thus lowering the priority of the job. This value penalizes jobs with large numbers of recipients. Defaults to 30000.
RefuseLA = <i>LA</i>	When the system load average exceeds <i>LA</i> , refuse incoming SMTP connections. Defaults to 12 multiplied by the number of processors online on the system, if that can be determined.
RetryFactor = <i>fact</i>	The <i>factor</i> is added to the priority every time a job is processed. Each time a job is processed, its priority will be decreased by the indicated value. In most environments this should be positive, because hosts that are down may be down for a long time. Default is 90000.

Option	Description
SafeFileEnvironment = <i>dir</i>	If this option is set, sendmail will do a chroot(2) call into the indicated directory before doing any file writes. If the file name specified by the user begins with <i>dir</i> , that partial path name will be stripped off before writing. For example, if the SafeFileEnvironment variable is set to <code>/safe</code> then aliases of <code>/safe/logs/file</code> and <code>/logs/file</code> actually indicate the same file. Additionally, if this option is set, sendmail will refuse to deliver to symbolic links.
SaveFromLine	Save From lines at the front of headers. They are assumed to be redundant and are discarded.
SendMimeErrors	If set, send error messages in MIME format (see RFC2045 and RFC1344 for details). If disabled, sendmail will not return the DSN keyword in response to an EHLO and will not do Delivery Status Notification processing as described in RFC1891.
ServerCertFile	File containing the certificate of the server. This certificate is used when sendmail acts as server.
ServerKeyFile	File containing the private key belonging to the server certificate.
ServiceSwitchFile = <i>filename</i>	If your host operating system has a service switch abstraction, that service will be consulted and this option is ignored. Otherwise, this is the name of a file that provides the list of methods used to implement particular services. The syntax is a series of lines, each of which is a sequence of words. The first word is the service name, and following words are service types. The services that sendmail consults directly are aliases and hosts . Service types can be dns , nis , or files . The appropriate support must be compiled in before the service can be referenced. If ServiceSwitchFile is not specified, it defaults to <code>/etc/mail/service.switch</code> . If that file does not exist, the default switch is <div data-bbox="560 777 1471 852" data-label="Text"> <pre>aliases files hosts dns nis files</pre> </div>
	The default file is <code>/etc/mail/service.switch</code> .
SevenBitInput	Strip input to seven bits for compatibility with old systems. This should not be necessary.
SingleLineFromHeader	If set, From: lines that have embedded newlines are unwrapped onto one line. This is to get around a bug in Lotus Notes® that apparently cannot understand legally wrapped RFC822 headers.
SingleThreadDelivery	If set, a client machine will never try to open two SMTP connections to a single server machine at the same time, even in different processes. That is, if another sendmail is already talking to some host, a new sendmail will not open another connection. Although this reduces the load on the other machine, it can cause mail to be delayed. For example, if one sendmail is delivering a huge message, other sendmail processes will not be able to send even small messages. Also, it requires another file descriptor (for the lock file) per connection, so you may have to reduce the ConnectionCacheSize option to avoid running out of per-process file descriptors. Requires the HostStatusDirectory option.
SmtpgreetingMessage = <i>message</i>	Specifies the <i>message</i> to print when the SMTP server starts up. Defaults to <code>\$j Sendmail \$v ready at \$b</code> .
StatusFile = <i>file</i>	Log summary statistics in the named <i>file</i> . If no file name is specified, <code>statistics</code> is used. If not set, no summary statistics will be saved. This file does not grow in size. It can be printed using the mailstats(8) program.
SuperSafe	Always instantiate the queue file, even if you are going to attempt immediate delivery. Sendmail always instantiates the queue file before returning control to the client under any circumstances. This should always be set.
TempFileMode = <i>mode</i>	Specifies the file mode for queue files. It is interpreted in octal by default. Default is <code>0600</code> .
Timeout.type = <i>time-out</i>	Sets <i>time-out</i> values. For more information, see “Read Timeouts” on page 302.
TimeZoneSpec = <i>tzinfo</i>	Set the local time zone info to <i>tzinfo</i> . If this is not set, the TZ environment variable is cleared and the system default is used. If set but null, the user's TZ variable is used. If set and non-null, the TZ variable is set to this value.
TrustedUser = <i>user</i>	The user parameter can be a user name (looked up in <code>/etc/passwd</code>) or a numeric user ID. Trusted user for file ownership and starting the daemon. If set, generated alias databases and the control socket (if configured) will automatically be owned by this user.

Option	Description
TryNullMXList	If this system is the best (that is, lowest preference) MX for a given host, its configuration rules should detect this situation and treat that condition specially by forwarding the mail to a UUCP feed, treating it as local, and so on. However, in some cases, such as in the case with Internet firewalls, you may want to try to connect directly to that host as though it had no MX records at all. Setting this option causes sendmail to try this. Unfortunately, errors in your configuration are likely to be diagnosed as "host unknown" or "message timed out" instead of something more meaningful. This option is not recommended.
UnixFromLine = <i>fromline</i>	Defines the format used when sendmail must add a UNIX-style From line, such as a line beginning From <space> <i>user</i>). Defaults to From \$g \$d. Do not change this unless your system uses a different mailbox format.
UnsafeGroupWrites	If set, :include: and .forward files that are group writable are considered unsafe, and they will not be able to reference programs or write directly to files. World writable :include: and .forward files are always unsafe.
UserDatabaseSpec = <i>udbspec</i>	The user database specification.
Verbose	Run in Verbose mode. If this is set, sendmail adjusts options HoldExpensive and DeliveryMode so that all mail is delivered completely in a single job so that you can see the entire delivery process. The Verbose option should never be set in the configuration file; it is intended for command line use only.
XscriptFileBufferSize = <i>threshold</i>	Defines the <i>threshold</i> in bytes, before a memory-based queue transcript file becomes disk-based. The default is 4096 bytes.

All options can be specified on the command line using the **-O** or **-o** flag, but most will cause **sendmail** to relinquish its setuid permissions. The options that will not cause this are **SevenBitInput**, **EightBitMode**, **MinFreeBlocks**, **CheckpointInterval**, **DeliveryMode**, **ErrorMode**, **IgnoreDots**, **SendMimeErrors**, **LogLevel**, **OldStyleHeaders**, **PrivacyOptions**, **SuperSafe**, **Verbose**, **QueueSortOrder**, **MinQueueAge**, **DefaultCharSet**, **DialDelay**, **NoRecipientAction**, **ColonOkInAddr**, **MaxQueueRunSize**, **SingleLineFromHeader**, and **AllowBogusHELO**. Actually, **PrivacyOptions** given on the command line are added to those already specified in the configuration file and cannot be reset. Also, **M** (define macro) when defining the **r** or **s** macros is also considered safe.

P - Precedence Definitions

Values for the "Precedence:" field may be defined using the P control line. The syntax of this field is:

```
Pname=num
```

When the name is found in a "Precedence:" field, the message class is set to num. Higher numbers mean higher precedence. Numbers less than zero have the special property that if an error occurs during processing, the body of the message will not be returned; this is expected to be used for "bulk" mail such as through mailing lists. The default precedence is zero. For example, the list of default precedences is:

- Pfirst-class=0
- Pspecial-delivery=100
- Plist=-30
- Pbulk=-60
- Pjunk=-100

V - Configuration Version Level

To provide compatibility with old configuration files, the **V** line has been added to define basic semantics of the configuration file. This is *not* intended as long term support. These compatibility features may be removed in future releases.

Note: Configuration version *levels* are independent of configuration file version *numbers*. For example, version *number* 8.9 configuration files use version *level* 8 configurations.

"Old" configuration files are defined as version level one.

Version level two files make the following changes:

1. Host name canonicalization (`[$[... $]]`) appends a dot if the name is recognized. This gives the configuration file a way to determine if a match occurred. This initializes the host map with the **-a.** flag. You can reset it to anything else by declaring the map explicitly.
2. Default host name extension is consistent throughout processing. Version level one configurations turned off domain extension during certain points in processing by adding the local domain name. Version level two configurations include a trailing dot to indicate that the name is already canonical.
3. Local names that are not aliases are passed through a new distinguished ruleset five. This can be used to append a local relay. This can be prevented by resolving the local name by using the `@` symbol as a prefix (for example, `@vikki`). Something that resolves to a local mailer and a user name of `vikki` will be passed through ruleset five, but a user name of `@vikki` will have the `@` prefix stripped, will not be passed through to ruleset five, but will otherwise be treated the same as the prior example. The exception is that this might be used to implement a policy where mail sent to `vikki` is handled by a central hub but mail sent to `vikki@localhost` is delivered directly.

Version level three files allow `#` initiated comments on all lines. Exceptions are backslash escaped `#` marks and the `##` syntax.

Version level four files are equivalent to level three files.

Version level five files change the default definition of **\$w** to be the first component of the hostname.

Version level six configuration files change many of the local processing options (i.e., aliasing and matching the address beginning for the `|` character) to mailer flags. This allows fine grained control over the special local processing. Version level six files may also use long option names. The **ColonOkInAddr** option (which allows colons in the local part of the address) defaults to **on** in configuration files with lower version numbers. The configuration file requires additional "intelligence" to properly handle the RFC 822 group construct.

Version level seven configuration files use new option names to replace old macros.

Option	Old Macro
\$e became	SmtpGreetingMessage
\$1 became	UnixFromLine
\$o became	OperatorChars

Prior to version seven, the **F=q** flag (use the return value 250 instead of 252 for SMTP VRFY commands) was assumed.

Version level eight configuration files allow **##** on the left side of ruleset lines.

Version level nine configuration files allow parentheses in rulesets, which means they are not treated as comments and are removed.

The **V** line may have an optional `/vendor` variable to indicate that the configuration file uses vendor specific modifications. You may use `/Berkeley` to indicate that the file uses the Berkeley **sendmail** dialect.

K - Key File Declaration

Special maps can be defined using the line:

```
Kmapname mapclass arguments
```

The mapname is the name by which this map is referenced in the rewrite rules. The mapclass is the name of a type of map; these are compiled in to **sendmail**. The arguments are interpreted depending on the class; typically, there would be a single argument naming the file containing the map.

Maps are referenced using the syntax:

```
$( map key $@ arguments $: default $)
```

where either or both of the arguments or default portion may be omitted. The `$@` arguments may appear more than once. The indicated key and arguments are passed to the appropriate mapping function. If it returns a value, it replaces the input. If it does not return a value and the default is specified, the default replaces the input. Otherwise, the input is unchanged.

During replacement of either a map value or default, the string `"%n"` (where `n` is a digit) is replaced by the corresponding argument. Argument zero is always the database key. For example, the rule:

```
R$- ! $+      $: $(uucp $1 $@ $2 $: %1 @ %0 . UUCP $)
```

looks up the UUCP name in a (user-defined) UUCP map. If not found, it turns it into `".UUCP"` form. The database might contain records like:

```
decvax      %1@ %0.DEC.COM
research    %1@%0.ATT.COM
```

Note: The default clauses never perform this mapping.

The built-in map with both name and class `"host"` is the host name canonicalization lookup. Thus, the syntax:

```
$(host hostname$)
```

is equivalent to:

```
[$hostname$]
```

There are many defined classes.

Class	Description
dbm	Database lookups using the <code>ndbm(3)</code> library. Sendmail must be compiled with <code>NDBM</code> defined.
btree	Database lookups using the <code>btree</code> interface to the Berkeley DB library. Sendmail must be compiled with <code>NEWDB</code> defined.
hash	Database lookups using the <code>hash</code> interface to the Berkeley DB library. Sendmail must be compiled with <code>NEWDB</code> defined.
nis	NIS lookups. Sendmail must be compiled with <code>NEWDB</code> defined.
ldap	LDAP X500 directory lookups. Sendmail must be compiled with <code>LDAPMAP</code> defined. The map supports most of the standard arguments and command line arguments of the ldapsearch program. By default, if a single query matches multiple values, only the first value will be returned unless the -z (value separator) map flag is set. Also, the -1 map flag will treat a multiple value return as if there were no matches.
ldapx	LDAP X500 directory lookups. Sendmail must be compiled with <code>LDAPMAP</code> defined. The map supports most of the standard arguments and command line arguments of the ldapsearch program.
text	Text file lookups. The format of the text file is defined by the -k (key field number), -v (value field number), and -z (field delimiter) flags.
stab	Internal symbol table lookups. Used internally for aliasing.
implicit	Really should be called "alias." This is used to get the default lookups for alias files, and is the default if no class is specified for alias files.
user	Looks up users using <code>getpwnam(3)</code> . The -v flag can be used to specify the name of the field to return (although this is normally used only to check the existence of a user).
host	Canonicalizes host domain names. Given a host name, it calls the name server to find the canonical name for that host.

Class	Description
bestmx	Returns the best MX record for a host name given as the key. The current machine is always preferred. For example, if the current machine is one of the hosts listed as the lowest preference MX record, it will be guaranteed to be returned. This can be used to find out if this machine is the target for an MX record and mail can be accepted on that basis. If the -z flag is given, all MX names are returned (separated by the given delimiter).
sequence	<p>The arguments on the `K' line are a list of maps; the resulting map searches the argument maps in order until it finds a match for the indicated key. For example, if the key definition is:</p> <pre>Kmap1 ... Kmap1 ... Kseqmap sequence map1 map2</pre> <p>then a lookup against "seqmap" first does a lookup in map1. If that is found, it returns immediately. Otherwise, the same key is used for map2.</p>
syslog	The key is logged via syslogd(8). The lookup returns the empty string.
switch	<p>Much like the "sequence" map except that the order of maps is determined by the service switch. The argument is the name of the service to be looked up; the values from the service switch are appended to the map name to create new map names. For example, consider the key definition:</p> <pre>Kali switch aliases</pre> <p>together with the service switch entry:</p> <pre>aliases nis files</pre> <p>This causes a query against the map "ali" to search maps named "ali.nis" and "ali.files" in that order.</p>
dequote	<p>Strip double quotes (") from a name. It does not strip backslashes, and will not strip quotes if the resulting string would contain unscannable syntax (that is, basic errors like unbalanced angle brackets; more sophisticated errors such as unknown hosts are not checked). The intent is for use when trying to accept mail from systems such as DECnet that routinely quote odd syntax such as:</p> <pre>"49ers::ubell"</pre> <p>A typical use is probably something like:</p> <pre>Kdequote dequote ... R\$- \$: \$(dequote \$1 \$) R\$- \$+ \$: \$>3 \$1 \$2</pre> <p>Care must be taken to prevent unexpected results; for example,</p> <pre>" someprogram < input > output"</pre> <p>will have quotes stripped, but the result is probably not what was intended. Fortunately, these cases are rare.</p>

Class	Description
regex	<p>The map definition on the K line contains a regular expression. Any key input is compared to that expression using the POSIX regular expressions routines regcomp(), regerr(), and regexexec(). Refer to the documentation for those routines for more information about regular expression matching. No rewriting of the key is done if the -m flag is used. Without it, the key is discarded, or if -s is used, it is substituted by the substring matches, delimited by the \$ or the string specified with the -d flag. The flags available for the map are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -n not -f case sensitive -b basic regular expressions (default is extended) -s substring match -d set the delimiter used for -s -a append string to key -m match only, do not replace/discard value <p>The -s flag can include an optional parameter which can be used to select the substrings in the result of the lookup. For example, -s1,3,4.</p>
program	<p>The arguments on the K line are the path name to a program and any initial parameters to be passed. When the map is called, the key is added to the initial parameters and the program is invoked as the default user/group ID. The first line of standard output is returned as the value of the lookup. This has many potential security problems and terrible performance. It should be used only when absolutely necessary.</p>
macro	<p>Set or clear a macro value. To set a macro, pass the value as the first argument in the map lookup. To clear a macro, do not pass an argument in the map lookup. The map always returns the empty string. Examples of typical usage includes:</p>

```

Kstorage macro
...
# set macro ${MyMacro} to the ruleset match
R$+      ${$(storage {MyMacro} $@ $1 $)} $1
# set macro ${MyMacro} to an empty string
R$*      ${$(storage {MyMacro} $@ $)} $1
# set macro ${MyMacro}
R$-      ${$(storage {MyMacro} $)} $1

```


Class	Description
arith	Perform simple arithmetic operations. The operation is given as key, currently + , - , * , / , 1 (for less than), and = are supported. The two operands are given as arguments. The lookup returns the result of the computation (True or False) for comparisons, integer values otherwise. All options that are possible for maps are ignored. A simple example is:

```
Kcomp arith
...
Scheck_etrn
R$*      $: $(comp 1 $@ ${load_avg} $@ 7 $) $1
RFALSE   $# error ...
```

Most of these accept as arguments the same optional flags and a filename (or a mapname for NIS; the filename is the root of the database path, so that .db or some other extension appropriate for the database type will be added to get the actual database name). Known flags are:

Flag	Description
-o	Indicates that this map is optional. That is, if it cannot be opened, no error is produced, and sendmail will behave as if the map existed but was empty.
-N, -O	If neither -N or -O are specified, sendmail uses an adaptive algorithm to decide whether or not to look for null bytes on the end of keys. It starts by trying both; if it finds any key with a null byte, it never tries again without a null byte and vice versa. If -N is specified, it never tries without a null byte and if -O is specified, it never tries with a null byte. Setting one of these can speed matches but are never necessary. If both -N and -O are specified, sendmail will never try any matches at all. That is, everything will appear to fail.
-a x	Append the string <i>x</i> on successful matches. For example, the default host map appends a dot on successful matches.
-T x	Append the string <i>x</i> on temporary failures. For example, <i>x</i> would be appended if a DNS lookup returned <code>server failed</code> or an NIS lookup could not locate a server. See the -t flag for additional information.
-f	Do not fold upper to lower case before looking up the key.
-m	Match only (without replacing the value). If you only care about the existence of a key and not the value (as you might when searching the NIS map "hosts.byname" for example), this flag prevents the map from substituting the value. However, The -a argument is still appended on a match, and the default is still taken if the match fails.
-k keycol	The key column name (for NIS) or number (for text lookups).
-v valcol	The value column name (for NIS) or number (for text lookups).
-z delim	The column delimiter (for text lookups). It can be a single character or one of the special strings "\n" or "\t" to indicate newline or tab respectively. If omitted entirely, the column separator is any sequence of whitespace.
-t	Normally, when a map attempts to do a lookup and the server fails (e.g., sendmail could not contact any name server — this is <i>not</i> the same as an entry not being found in the map), the message being processed is queued for future processing. The -t flag turns off this behavior, letting the temporary failure (server down) act as though it were a permanent failure (entry not found). It is particularly useful for DNS lookups, where another's misconfigured name server can cause problems on your machine. Care must be taken to avoid "bouncing" mail that would be resolved correctly if another attempt were made. A common strategy is to forward such mail to another mail server.

Flag	Description
-D	Perform no lookup in deferred delivery mode. This flag is set by default for the <i>host</i> map.
-S spacesub	The character to use to replace space characters after a successful map lookup. This is especially useful for regex and syslog maps.
-q	Do not dequote the key before lookup.
-A	When rebuilding an alias file, the -A flag causes duplicate entries in the text version to be merged. For example, the following two entries:

```
list:    user1,user2
list:    user3
```

would be treated as if they were the following single entry:

```
list:    user1,user2,user3
```

The following additional flags are present in the LDAP map only:

Flag	Description
-R	Do not auto chase referrals. Sendmail must be compiled with -DLAP_REFERRALS to use this flag.
-n	Retrieve attribute names only.
-r deref	Set the alias dereference option to one of the following: never , always , search , or find .
-s scope	Set search scope to one of the following: base , one (one level), or sub (subtree).
-h host	LDAP server host name.
-b base	LDAP search base.
-p port	LDAP service port.
-l timelimit	Time limit for LDAP queries.
-Z sizelimit	Size (number of matches) limit for LDAP queries.
-d distinguished_name	The distinguished name to use to log in to the LDAP server.
-M method	The method to authenticate to the LDAP server. Should be one of the following: LDAP_AUTH_NONE , LDAP_AUTH_SIMPLE , OR LDAP_AUTH_KRBV4 .
-P passwordfile	The file containing the secret key for the LDAP_AUTH_SIMPLE authentication method or the name of the Kerberos ticket file for LDAP_AUTH_KRBV4 .
-1	Force LDAP searches to succeed only if a single match is found. If multiple values are found, the search will be treated as if no match was found.

The dbm map appends the strings `.pag` and `.dir` to the given filename; the two db-based maps append `.db`. For example, the map specification

```
Kuucp dbm -o -N /usr/lib/uucpmap
```

specifies an optional map named "uucp" of class "dbm"; it always has null bytes at the end of every string, and the data is located in `/usr/lib/uucpmap.{dir,pag}`.

Commands and Operands

Command and Operand	Description
C <i>XWord1 Word2...</i>	Defines the class of words that can be used to match the left-hand side of rewrite rules. Class specifiers (X) may be any of the uppercase letters from the ASCII character set. Lowercase letters and special characters are reserved for system use.
D <i>XValue</i>	Defines a macro (X) and its associated <i>Value</i> . Macro specifiers may be any of the uppercase letters from the ASCII character set. Lowercase letters and special characters are reserved for system use.
F <i>XFileName [Format]</i>	Reads the elements of the class (X) from the <i>FileName</i> variable, using an optional scanf format specifier. The format specifier contains only one conversion specification. One class number is read for each line in the <i>FileName</i> variable.
H [<i>? MFlags?</i>] <i>HeaderName: HeaderTemplate</i>	Defines the header format the sendmail command inserts into a message. Continuation lines are a part of the definition. The <i>HeaderTemplate</i> is macro-expanded before insertion into the message. If the <i>MFlags</i> are specified and at least one of the specified flags is included in the mailer definition, this header is automatically written to the output message. If the header appears in the input message, it is written to the output message regardless of the <i>MFlags</i> variable.
M <i>Name, [Field=Value]</i>	Defines a Mail program where the <i>Name</i> variable is the name of the Mail program and <i>Field=Value</i> pair defines the attributes of the mailer.
O <i>x[Value]</i>	Sets the option to the value of x. If the option is a valued option, you must also specify the <i>Value</i> variable. Options may also be selected from the command line. Note: For valid values, see “O — Set Option” on page 315 .
P <i>Name=Number</i>	Defines values for the <i>Precedence:</i> header field. When the <i>Name</i> variables found in a message's <i>Precedence:</i> field, the message's precedence is set to the <i>Number</i> variable. Higher numbers indicate higher precedences. Negative numbers indicate that error messages are not returned. The default <i>Number</i> is 0.
R <i>LeftHandSide RightHandSide Comments</i>	Defines a rewrite rule. One or more tab characters separate the three fields of this command. If space characters are used as field separators, option J must be set. The J option allows spaces as well as tabs to separate the left- and right-hand sides of rewrite rules. The J option allows rewrite rules to be modified using an editor that replaces tabs with spaces.
S <i>x</i>	Sets the rule set currently defined to the specified number(x). If a rule set definition is started more than once, the new definition overwrites the old.
T <i>User1 User2 ...</i>	Defines user IDs for the system administrators. These IDs have permission to override the sender address using the -f flag. More than one ID can be specified per line.

Files

Item	Description
/etc/mail/sendmail.cf	Specifies the path of the sendmail.cf file.
/etc/mail/submit.cf	Specifies the path of the submit.cf file.
/etc/passwd	Contains basic user attributes.
/etc/mail/aliases	Contains alias definitions for the sendmail command.

Related reference

[/etc/passwd File](#)

Related information

[sendmail command](#)

setinfo File

Purpose

Describes the format of a set characteristics file.

Description

The **setinfo** file is an ASCII file that describes the characteristics of the set along with information that helps control the flow of installation. It is created by the software set developer and is included in the Set Installation Package (SIP). A SIP is a special purpose package that controls the installation and removal of a set of packages.

Each entry in the **setinfo** file is a line that consists of predefined fields. Each entry corresponds to a package belonging to the set and must contain the following <tab>-separated fields:

1. Package Abbr

This field contains the abbreviated name of the package. The abbreviation must be a short string (no more than nine characters long) and must conform to the file naming rules. All characters in the abbreviation must be alphanumeric and the first character cannot be numeric. **install**, **new**, and **all** are reserved.

This abbreviated name must be the same as the one used in **pkginfo**.

2. Parts

This field specifies the number of parts this package consists of.

3. Default

This field contains the character 'y' indicating that the package is to be installed as a default. Conversely, an 'n' indicates that the package will not be installed.

4. Category

The category under which the package belongs. Release 4 defines four categories: "application," "graphics," "system" and "utilities." All packages must be assigned to one of these categories. If you choose, you can also assign a package to a category you defined. Categories are case-insensitive and may contain only alphanumerics. Each category is limited to 16 characters.

5. Package Full-Name

Text that specifies the package name (maximum length of 256 ASCII characters). This field must be the same as **NAME** in the **pkginfo** file.

The order of the packages listed in the **setinfo** file must reflect any package dependencies (if any) and must represent the order in which packages occur on the media (in the case of datastream). Any package for which there exists a dependency must be listed prior to the package(s) that depends on it.

Examples

Shown below is a **setinfo** file for set **admin**:

```
#ident "@(#)set:cmn/set/admin/setinfo 1.2"
#ident "$Header: $"

# Format for the setinfo file.      Field separator is: <tab>
# pkg  parts  default  category  pkg full-name
# abbr                y/n

oam      4      y      application  OA&M
bkrs     1      y      system      Extended Backup and Restore
face     1      y      application  FACE
```

Related reference

[pkginfo File](#)

setup.csh File

Purpose

Sets the C-shell environment variables needed to build an InfoCrafter database.

Description

The **setup.csh** file defines C-shell environment variables necessary to build an InfoCrafter database from the command line. The **setup.csh** file contains the definition of the **TOOLS DIR** and **TOPLEVEL_BUILD DIR** variables; if there are relative path names of source files in your input list, it also sets the **TOPLEVEL_SOURCE DIR** variable. The **TOOLS DIR** variable is added to your path environment variable so you can use the **icft** command without specifying the full path name.

The default value for the **TOOLS DIR** environment variable is **/usr/lpp/icraft/bin**. The **TOPLEVEL_SOURCE DIR** and **TOPLEVEL_BUILD DIR** variables have no default values.

You must copy the **setup.csh** file from **/usr/lpp/icraft/bin** to another location (such as your home directory) and edit it to define the variables. Then, use the **source setup.csh** command to assign the new definitions to the variables.

Examples

A sample **setup.csh** file appears as follows:

```
setenv      TOPLEVEL_SOURCE DIR      $HOME/desktop
setenv      TOOLS DIR                /usr/lpp/icraft/bin
setenv      TOPLEVEL_BUILD DIR       $TOOLS DIR/master
```

To set the C-shell environment variables, enter the following:

```
source setup.csh
```

The following message is displayed:

```
setup.csh:      assigning environment variables
                for InfoCrafter. . .
```

Files

Item	Description
/usr/lpp/icraft/bin/setup.csh	Contains the definitions of C-shell environment variables.

Related reference

[setup.sh File](#)

setup.sh File

Purpose

Defines the Bourne or Korn shell environment variables needed to build an InfoCrafter database.

Description

The **setup.sh** file defines Bourne or Korn shell environment variables necessary to build an InfoCrafter database from the command line using the **icft** command. The **setup.sh** file sets the **TOOLS DIR** and **TOPLEVEL_BUILDDIR** variables. If there are relative path names of source files in your input list, it also sets the **TOPLEVEL_SOURCEDIR** variable. The **TOOLS DIR** variable is added to your path environment variable so you can enter the **icft** command without specifying the full path name.

Default value for the **TOOLS DIR** environment path variable is **/usr/lpp/icraft/bin**.
TOPLEVEL_SOURCEDIR and **TOPLEVEL_BUILDDIR** have no default values.

You must copy the **setup.sh** file from **/usr/lpp/icraft/bin** to another location (such as your home directory) and edit it to define the variables. Then, use the **. setup.sh** command to set the variables to the defined values.

Examples

A sample **setup.sh** file appears as follows:

```
TOPLEVEL_SOURCEDIR =      $HOME/desktop
TOOLS DIR =              /usr/lpp/icraft/bin
TOPLEVEL_BUILDDIR =      $TOOLS DIR/master
```

To set Bourne or Korn shell environment variables, enter the following:

```
. setup.sh
```

The following message is given:

```
setup.sh: assigning environment variables for InfoCrafter
```

Files

Item	Description
/usr/lpp/icraft/bin/setup.sh	Contains definitions for Bourne and Korn shell environment variables.

Related reference

[setup.csh File](#)

slp.conf File

Purpose

File used by SLP APIs.

Description

To use the **/etc/slp.conf** file, ensure that all parameters for an entry are contained on one line in the configuration file. Comments can be included in the file beginning with a pound sign (**#**) in column 1.

The format is:

```
# <keyword> = <value>
```

or

```
# <keyword> = <value1>,<value2>,..., <valueN>
```

If there are more than 1 value to be configured, use a comma (,) as a separator.

If there are multiple lines configured against the same <keyword>, the first valid configured line is read, and the rest are ignored.

Parameters

- **net.slp.maxResults**

A 32-bit integer that gives the maximum number of results to accumulate and return for a synchronous request before the timeout. Positive integers and -1 are legal values. A value of -1 indicates that all results should be returned. The default value is -1. For example:

```
net.slp.maxResults = 35
```

- **net.slp.useScopes**

A value-list of strings that indicate the only scopes a UA or SA is allowed to use when making requests or registering. Otherwise, indicates the scopes a DA must support. The default scope "DEFAULT" is used if no other information is available. For example:

```
net.slp.useScopes = david,bob
```

- **net.slp.DAAddress**

A value-list of IP addresses or DNS resolvable host names giving the SLPv2 DAs to use for statically configured UAs and SAs. The default is none. For example:

```
net.slp.DAAddress = 9.3.149.20, blahblah.ibm.com
```

- **net.slp.isBroadcastOnly**

A boolean indicating whether broadcast should be used instead of multicast. The default is false (that is, multicast is used). For example:

```
net.slp.isBroadcastOnly = false
```

- **net.slp.multicastTTL**

A positive integer less than or equal to 255, giving the multicast TTL. The default is 255 (in seconds). For example:

```
net.slp.multicastTTL = 255
```

- **net.slp.DAActiveDiscoveryInterval**

A 16-bit positive integer giving the number of seconds between DA active discovery queries. If this parameter is set to 0, the active discovery is turned off. This property corresponds to the protocol specification parameter **CONFIG_DA_FIND**. The default is 900 (in seconds). For example:

```
net.slp.DAActiveDiscoveryInterval = 1200
```

- **net.slp.multicastMaximumWait**

A 32-bit integer giving the maximum amount of time to perform multicast, in milliseconds. This property corresponds to the **CONFIG_MC_MAX** parameter in the protocol specification. The default is 15000 (in ms). For example:

```
net.slp.multicastMaximumWait = 10000
```

- **net.slp.multicastTimeouts**

A value-list of 32-bit integers used as timeouts, in milliseconds, to implement the multicast convergence algorithm. Each value specifies the time to wait before sending the next request. This property corresponds to the **CONFIG_MC_RETRY** parameter in the protocol specification. The default is 3000,3000,3000,3000,3000 (in ms). There is no limitation on the maximum number entries to be specified. However the total sum of the entries cannot be greater than **CONFIG_MC_RETRY** (15000 in ms). For example:

```
net.slp.multicastTimeouts = 2000, 3000, 4000
```

- **net.slp.DADiscoveryTimeouts**

A value-list of 32-bit integers used as timeouts, in milliseconds, to implement the multicast convergence algorithm during active DA discovery. Each value specifies the time to wait before sending the next request. This property corresponds to the protocol specification parameter **CONFIG_RETRY**. The default is 2000,2000,2000,2000,3000,4000 (in ms). There is no limitation on the maximum number entries to be specified. However the total sum of the entries cannot be greater than **CONFIG_RETRY** (15000 in ms). For example:

```
net.slp.DADiscoveryTimeouts = 2000, 3000, 4000
```

- **net.slp.datagramTimeouts**

A value-list of 32-bit integers used as timeouts, in milliseconds, to implement unicast datagram transmission to DAs. The *n*th value gives the time to block waiting for a reply on the *n*th try to contact the DA. The sum of these values is the protocol specification property **CONFIG_RETRY_MAX**. The default is 2000, 2000, 2000, 2000, 3000, 4000 (in ms). There is no limitation on the maximum number of entries to be specified. However, the total sum of the entries cannot be greater than **CONFIG_RETRY_MAX** (15000 in ms). For example:

```
net.slp.datagramTimeouts = 2000, 3000, 4000
```

- **net.slp.loglevel**

By default, the SLP daemon logs messages up to level 3 to the **syslog** file. You can set the variable **slp.net.loglevel** to 6 or 7 for additional logging. Supported values follows:

- 3**
Logs error messages. This is default level.
- 6**
Logs informational messages.
- 7**
Logs debug level messages.

Related information

[SLPAttrCallback](#)

[SLPUnescape](#)

smbctune.conf File

Purpose

Contains the tunable parameter settings that are associated with the Server Message Block (SMB) client file system.

Description

The `/etc/smbc/smbctune.conf` file contains the tunable parameters and its corresponding values that are used by the **smbctune** command. The **smbcd** daemon makes the tunable parameter changes persistent.

This file contains the same tunable parameters as specified by the **smbctune** command. By default, the format of the `/etc/smbc/smbctune.conf` file is as follows:


```
default:
    smbc_lookup_cache_size=32
    smbc_max_concurrent_mount=8
    smbc_max_connections=0
    smbc_request_timeout=0
    smbc_krb5_lifetime=0
    smbc_krb5_renew_till=0
    smbc_oplock_enable=1
    smbc_file_lease_enable=1
    smbc_protocol_version=auto
    smbc_signing=enabled
    smbc_secure_negotiate=desired
    smbc_encryption=desired
```

The `default` keyword must be used to indicate that the same tunable parameters are applicable for each SMB client system that connects to the SMB server.

Example

- To set the maximum number of concurrent mount operations to 1024, the number of maximum available connections on the SMB client system to 4096, and the request timeout duration to 20 seconds, enter the following text in the `smbctune.conf` file:

```
default:
    smbc_request_timeout=20
    smbc_max_concurrent_mount=1024
    smbc_max_connections=4096
```

smi.my File

Purpose

Provides sample SMI input to the **mosy** command.

Description

The `/usr/samples/snmpd/smi.my` file is a sample input file to the **mosy** command, which creates an objects definition file for use by the **snmpinfo** command. The **mosy** compiler requires its input file to contain the ASN.1 definitions described in the Structure and Identification of Management Information (SMI) RFC 1155 and the Management Information Base (MIB) RFC 1213. The **smi.my** file contains the syntax descriptions from the SMI RFC 1155.

The **smi.my** file begins with a definition of the SNMP subtree of the MIB as assigned by the Internet Activities Board (IAB). It then contains the syntax definitions defined in RFC 1155.

Comments are specified by `--` (two dashes). A comment can begin at any location and extends to the end of the line.

The **smi.my** file was created by extracting the definitions from Chapter 6 of RFC 1155. This file is shipped as `/usr/samples/snmpd/smi.my`. The file is part of Simple Network Management Protocol Agent Applications in Network Support Facilities.

Files

Item	Description
<code>/usr/samples/snmpd/mibII.my</code>	Contains the ASN.1 definitions for the MIB II variables defined in RFC 1213.
<code>/etc/mib.defs</code>	Defines the Management Information Base (MIB) variables the snmpd agent should recognize and handle. This file is in the format that the snmpinfo command requires.

Related reference

[mibII.my File](#)

Related information

[mosy command](#)

[snmpinfo command](#)

smitacl.group File

Purpose

Contains the group access control list (ACL) definitions for the System Management Interface Tool (SMIT).

Description

The **/etc/security/smitacl.group** file contains the group ACL definitions for SMIT. This is an ASCII file that contains a stanza for each system group. Each stanza is identified by a group name followed by a : (colon) and contains attributes in the form *Attribute=Value*. Each attribute pair ends with a newline character as does each stanza.

The file supports a default stanza. If an attribute is not defined, either the default stanza or the default value for the attribute is used.

A stanza contains the following attribute:

Item	Description
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screens	Describes the list of SMIT screens for this group. (It is of the type SEC_LIST .) Examples include:
----------------	--

```
screens = *           # Permit all screen access.
screens = !*          # Deny all screen access.
screens =              # Allows no specific screens
                      # (screens can be added on a per user basis)
screens = user,group,!tcpip # Allow user & group
                      # screens, but not
                      # tcpip screen
```

For a typical stanza, see the "[Examples](#)" section. This file may viewed with the `lssec` command and modified with the `chsec` command.

The screen names specified in the `screens` attribute are SMIT fastpath values. Many SMIT fastpath values can be found in the commands documentation. The `smit` command may also be used to determine the fastpath of the current screen. Please see the [smit](#) command for more information.

Security

Access Control: This file grants read and write access to the root user, and read access to members of the security group.

Examples

1. A typical stanza looks like the following example for the group called `group`:

```
group:
    screens = *
```

2. To allow the `mksysb` screen only for a member of a group called `bkupgrp`, remove the default access to all screens and specify only the `mksysb` screen for the `bkupgrp` group by typing:

```
default:
    screens =
```

```
bkupgrp:
    screens = mksysb
```

Note: Changing the default stanza will remove the default access to all screens for members of other groups.

3. To allow members of the `security` group to view the screens for user and group administration, add the following stanza:

```
security:
    screens = top_menu,security,users,groups
```

Additional screens may be granted to individual users by adding stanzas for each user to the `smitacl.user` file.

Files

Item	Description
<code>/etc/security/roles</code>	Contains the list of valid roles.
<code>/etc/security/user.roles</code>	Contains the list of roles for each user.
<code>/etc/security/smitacl.group</code>	Contains the group ACL definitions.
<code>/etc/security/smitacl.user</code>	Contains the user ACL definitions.

Related information

[smit command](#)

[chsec command](#)

[getusraclattr](#)

smitacl.user File

Purpose

Contains the user access control list (ACL) definitions for the System Management Interface Tool (SMIT).

Description

The `/etc/security/smitacl.user` file contains the ACL definitions for SMIT. This is an ASCII file that contains a stanza for each system user. Each stanza is identified by a user name followed by a `:` (colon) and contains attributes in the form *Attribute=Value*. Each attribute pair ends with a newline character as does each stanza.

The file supports a default stanza. If an attribute is not defined, either the default stanza or the default value for the attribute is used.

A stanza contains the following attributes:

Attribute	Description
screens	Describes the list of SMIT screens for the user. (It is of the type SEC_LIST .) Examples include:

```
screens = *           # Permit all screen access.
screens = !*          # Deny all screen access.
screens =              # Allows no specific screens
                      # (screens can be added on a per user basis)
screens = user,group,!tcip  # Allow user & group
                      # screens, but not
                      # tcip screen
```

Attribute	Description
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funcmode	Describes if the role database and/or SMIT ACL database should be used to determine accessibility. It also describes how to combine the screens data from the two databases. (It is of the type SEC_CHAR .) Examples include:
-----------------	---

```
funcmode = roles+acl    # Use both roles and SMIT ACL # databases.
funcmode = roles        # Use only the roles database.
funcmode = acl          # Use only the SMIT ACL # database.
```

The defined values for **funcmode** are:

roles

Only the screen values from the roles database are used.

acl

Only the screen values from the SMIT ACL database are used.

roles+acl

The screen values from both the roles and the SMIT ACL databases are used.

For a typical stanza, see the "[Examples](#)" section . This file may viewed with the `lssec` command and modified with the `chsec` command.

The screen names specified in the `screens` attribute are SMIT fastpath values. Many SMIT fastpath values can be found in the commands documentation. The `smit` command may also be used to determine the fastpath of the current screen. Please see the [smit](#) command for more information.

Security

Access Control: This file grants read and write access to the root user, and read access to members of the security group.

Examples

1. To allow `pwduser` to access the groups which are accessible via the `users` and `passwd` SMIT fastpaths, type the following:

```
pwduser:
  funcmode = roles+acl
  screens = users,passwd
```

2. To allow the `mksysb` screen only for user `bkupuser`, add the following stanza:

```
bkupuser:
  screens = mksysb
```

Files

Item	Description
/etc/security/roles	Contains the list of valid roles.
/etc/security/user.roles	Contains the list of roles for each user.
/etc/security/smitacl.group	Contains the group ACL definitions.
/etc/security/smitacl.user	Contains the user ACL definitions.

Related information

[smit command](#)
[chsec command](#)

snmpd.conf File

Purpose

Defines a sample configuration file for the **snmpdv1** agent.

Description

The **snmpd.conf** file provides the configuration information for the **snmpdv1** agent. This file can be changed while the **snmpdv1** agent is running. If the **refresh** or **kill -1** command is issued, the **snmpdv1** agent will reread this configuration file. The **snmpdv1** agent must be under System Resource Control (SRC) for the **refresh** command to force the reread. This file is part of Simple Network Management Protocol Agent Applications in Network Support Facilities.

This configuration file contains:

- Entries for Community names
- Access privileges and view definitions for incoming Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP) request packets
- Entries for host destinations for trap notification
- Entries for log file characteristics
- Entries for snmpd-specific parameters
- Entries for SNMP Multiplexing Protocol (SMUX) association configurations
- Entries for the sysLocation, sysContact, and sysName variables.

The **snmpd.conf** file must be owned by the root user. If the **snmpd.conf** file is not owned by root, or if the **snmpdv1** daemon cannot open the configuration file, the **snmpdv1** daemon issues a **FATAL** message to the log file if logging is enabled and then the **snmpdv1** daemon terminates.

Certain rules apply for specifying particular parameters in entries in the **snmpd.conf** configuration file. Some entries require the specification of object identifiers or object names or both. The following rules apply:

1. An object identifier is specified in dotted numeric notation and must consist of at least three elements. The maximum number of elements in the object identifier is 50. Elements are separated by a . (dot). The first element must be a single digit in the range of 0 to 2. The second element must be an integer in the range of 1 to 40. The third and subsequent elements must be integers in the range of 1 to the size of an unsigned integer.
2. An object name consists of a textual name with an optional numeric instance. The object name must be known to the **snmpdv1** agent. Object names typically are names of nodes in the Management Information Base (MIB) tree. If the root of the MIB tree, **iso**, is specified as an object name, the numeric instance is absolutely required. A . (dot) separates the textual name from the numeric instance.

Community Entry

The community entry specifies the communities, associated access privileges and MIB views the **snmpdv1** agent allows. See example 1 for a sample entry. A community entry must be in the following format:

```
community CommunityName IPAddress NetMask Permissions ViewName
```

The following definitions apply to the variables in a community entry:

Item	Description
<i>CommunityName</i>	The community name.
<i>IPAddress</i>	The host name, IPv4 address in dotted-decimal format, or IPv6 address for the specified community name.

Item	Description
<i>NetMask</i>	A network mask in dotted-decimal format for the specified IPv4 address, or a prefix length in the range of 0 through 128 for the specified IPv6 address.
<i>Permissions</i>	Specifies one of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • readOnly • writeOnly • readWrite • none. The <i>Permissions</i> string is case-insensitive.
<i>ViewName</i>	A unique object identifier in dotted numeric notation that is associated with a portion of the MIB tree to which the specified community name allows access. The <i>ViewName</i> value is the same as that specified in the view entry.

The minimum specification required for a community entry is:

```
community CommunityName
```

The default values for this minimum community entry are:

Item	Description
<i>IPAddress</i>	0.0.0.0
<i>NetMask</i>	0.0.0.0
<i>Permissions</i>	readOnly
<i>View</i>	iso.3

Fields to the right of the minimum entry are optional, with the limitation that no fields to the left of a specified field are omitted. Any information to the right of the *ViewName* variable is ignored. If an *IPAddress* of 0.0.0.0 is specified, the default *NetMask* is 0.0.0.0. If an *IPAddress* other than 0.0.0.0 is specified, the default *NetMask* is 255.255.255.255.

The *Permissions* default is readOnly. If the *ViewName* is not specified, the view for this community defaults to ISO, the entire MIB tree. For example:

```
community public 192.100.154.1
```

is a valid entry with the default values:

Item	Description
<i>NetMask</i>	255.255.255.255
<i>Permissions</i>	readOnly
<i>View</i>	iso.3

The following entry is not valid because the required *NetMask* variable to the left of the *Permissions* variable is not specified:

```
community public 192.100.154.1
readWrite
```

In this case, the value in the *Permissions* variable is accepted as the *NetMask* value. Since the value in the *Permissions* variable is not in the format required for the *NetMask* variable, an error will occur. The **snmpdv1** agent logs an EXCEPTIONS message if logging is enabled. In the case of an invalid community entry, the **snmpdv1** agent ignores the entry.

View Entry

The view entry specifies the MIB subtrees to which a particular community has access. See example 3 for a sample entry. A view entry must be in the following format:

```
view  ViewName  MibSubtree...
```

The following definitions apply to the variables in the view entry:

Item	Description
<i>ViewName</i>	Specifies a unique object identifier in dotted-numeric notation that is associated with a portion of the MIB tree. This <i>ViewName</i> value is the same as that in the community entry and must be formatted as described there.
<i>MibSubtree</i>	A list of MIB subtrees, or MIB groups, specified as either an object name or an object identifier, that is associated with the <i>ViewName</i> variable. If the <i>MIBSubtree</i> list is not specified, the view defaults to iso, the entire MIB tree.

Together, the view entry and its associated community entry define an access privilege or MIB view allowed by the **snmpdv1** agent.

In the case of an invalid view entry, the **snmpdv1** agent logs an EXCEPTIONS message, if logging is enabled, and ignores the view entry.

If a *ViewName* is specified in the community entry, but there is no view entry to describe that *ViewName*, **snmpdv1** agent logs an EXCEPTIONS message stating that there is no such view for the community. The **snmpdv1** agent will allow no access for that community and view association.

Trap Entry

The trap entry specifies the hosts the **snmpdv1** agent notifies in the event a trap is generated. See Example 2 for a sample entry. A trap entry must be in the following format:

```
trap  CommunityName  IPAddress ViewName TrapMask
```

In this format, the variable definitions are as follows:

Item	Description
<i>CommunityName</i>	The community name to be encoded in the SNMP trap packet.
<i>IPAddress</i>	The host name, or IPv4 address in dotted-decimal format, or IPv6 address for the specified community name.
<i>ViewName</i>	The snmpdv1 agent only checks the <i>ViewName</i> to verify that the format is valid and that there are no duplicate <i>ViewName</i> variables specified.

Item**Description***TrapMask*

The trap mask in hexadecimal format. The bits from left to right stand for *coldStart* trap, *warmStart* trap, *linkDown* trap, *linkUp* trap, *authenticationFailure* trap, *egpNeighborLoss* trap, and *enterpriseSpecific* trap. The rightmost bit does not have any meaning. A value of 1 will enable the corresponding trap to be sent. Otherwise, the trap is blocked.

For example:

hexadecimal	bits	meaning
fe	1111 1110	block no traps
7e	0111 1110	block <i>coldStart</i> trap
be	1011 1110	block <i>warmStart</i> trap
3e	0011 1110	block <i>coldStart</i> trap and <i>warmStart</i> trap

The minimum specification required for a trap entry is:

```
trap    CommunityName  IPAddress
```

The default value of *TrapMask* for this minimum trap entry is *fe*. There is no trap blocked for this case.

Fields to the right of the minimum entry are optional, with the limitation that no fields to the left of a specified field are omitted. There should be no information to the right of the *TrapMask* variable.

In the case of an invalid trap entry, the **snmpdv1** agent places an EXCEPTIONS message in the log file if logging is enabled and ignores the trap entry.

It is assumed that all hosts listed in the trap entries are listening on well-known UDP port 162 for SNMP traps. Because community views for traps are not supported, the **snmpdv1** agent will send trap messages for all traps generated as indicated by the *TrapMask* variable to the hosts listed in the trap entries. If no trap entry appears in the **snmpd.conf** file, the **snmpdv1** agent will not send out trap messages upon the generation of a trap.

Logging Entry

The logging entry specifies the characteristics for the **snmpdv1** agent logging activities if logging is not directed from the **snmpd** command with the **-f** option. See example 4 for a sample entry. A logging entry must be in the following format:

```
logging  FileName      Enablement
logging  size=Limit    level=DebugLevel
```

The following definitions apply to the fields in the logging entries:

Item**Description***FileName*

Specifies the complete path and file name of the log file.

Limit

Specifies the maximum size in bytes of the specified log file. If the limit is specified as 0, the file size is unlimited.

Item	Description
<i>DebugLevel</i>	Specifies the level of logging, which can be one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 All NOTICES, EXCEPTIONS, and FATAL messages 1 Level 0 plus DEBUG messages 2 Level 1 plus a hexadecimal dump of incoming and outgoing packets 3 Level 2 plus an English version of the request and response packets
<i>Enablement</i>	Specifies whether logging is active. The following options are available: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> enabled Turns logging on. disabled Turns logging off.

There is no default log file. The *Enablement* default is disabled. The log file size *Limit* default is 0, which means unlimited. The *DebugLevel* default is 0 if the **snmpd** command is invoked without the **-d** option. If the **-d** option is specified, the default *DebugLevel* is the value specified by the **-d** option on the **snmpd** command line.

The *size=* and *level=* entries are absolutely required if a size or debug level are specified. There can be no spaces around the *=* (equal sign).

There are no restrictions regarding the order in which the variables are entered in the logging entries. A logging entry can contain single or multiple variables.

If the value for the *size=* field or *DebugLevel* variable cannot be converted into an integer, the default size and debug level are used. Because the **snmpd** command sets the log file configuration parameters immediately upon reading them, the parameters in the logging entry are not necessarily ignored if the **snmpd** command determines there is an invalid field in that entry. For example, in the following invalid logging entry:

```
logging size=1000000 garbagestuff enabled
```

The **snmpd** command will set the size parameter, but will discard all information from the field value of *garbagestuff* to the end of the line. In addition, an EXCEPTIONS message will be logged if logging is enabled.

snmpd Entry

The **snmpd** entry specifies configuration parameters for the **snmpdv1** agent. See example 5 for a sample entry. An **snmpd** entry must be in the following format:

```
snmpd Variable=Value
```

The *=* (equal sign) is absolutely required; there can be no spaces around it.

The following definitions apply to the **snmpd** entry:

Item	Description
<i>Variable</i>	Specifies the specific configuration parameter. <i>Variable</i> can be one of the following values: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • maxpacket • querytimeout.
<i>Value</i>	Specifies the value of the specific variable.

The configurable variables and allowable values are:

Item	Description
maxpacket	The maximum packet size, in bytes, that the snmpdv1 agent will transmit. The minimum to which this variable can be set is 300 bytes. The maximum value to which this variable can be set is 56KB. If there is no snmpd entry for maxpacket , the system socket default levels will be used.
querytimeout	The time interval in seconds at which the snmpdv1 agent will query the interfaces to check for interface status changes. The minimum value to which querytimeout can be set is 30 seconds. If 0 is specified, the snmpdv1 agent will not query the interfaces for status changes. If there is no snmpd entry for querytimeout , the default value of 60 seconds is used.

The = (equal sign) is absolutely required; there can be no white space around it. There are no restrictions on the order in which the variables are entered in the **snmpd** entry. An **snmpd** entry can contain single or multiple variables.

The **snmpdv1** agent sets the **snmpd** specific parameters immediately upon reading them. If the values are invalid, the **snmpdv1** agent ignores them. If the **snmpdv1** agent encounters an invalid field in the entry, processing is terminated for that entry and the **snmpdv1** agent logs an EXCEPTIONS message if logging is enabled.

smux Entry

The smux entry specifies configuration information for SMUX associations between the **snmpdv1** agent and SMUX peer clients. See example 6 for a sample entry. A smux entry must be in the following format:

```
smux  ClientOID Password IPAddress NetMask
```

The following definitions apply to the smux entry:

Item	Description
<i>ClientOID</i>	Specifies the unique object identifier in dotted numeric notation of the SMUX peer client. The <i>ClientOID</i> must match the <i>ObjectID</i> specified in the /etc/snmpd.peers file.
<i>Password</i>	Specifies the password that the snmpdv1 agent requires from the SMUX peer client to authenticate the SMUX association. The <i>Password</i> must match the <i>Password</i> in the /etc/snmpd.peers file.
<i>IPAddress</i>	The hostname, or IPv4 address in dotted notation, or IPv6 address of the host on which the SMUX peer client is running.
<i>NetMask</i>	Specifies a network mask in dotted decimal notation for the specified IPv4 address, or a prefix length in the range of 0 through 128 for the specified IPv6 address.

The minimum specification for the smux entry is:

```
smux  ClientOID Password
```

The default values for this minimum smux entry are:

Item	Description
<i>IPAddress</i>	127.0.0.1
<i>NetMask</i>	255.255.255.255

Fields to the right of the minimum entry are optional, with the limitation that no fields to the left of a specified field are omitted. Any information to the right of *NetMask* is ignored. If no password is specified, there is no confirmation for the SMUX association. If neither the *IPAddress* nor *NetMask* are specified, the SMUX association is limited to the local host.

In the case of an invalid smux entry, the **snmpdv1** agent logs an EXCEPTIONS message if logging is enabled and the **snmpdv1** agent ignores that smux entry.

sysLocation, sysContact, and sysName entries

These entries can be specified in the following format:

```
sysLocation "Austin, Texas, USA, XYZ, Bld 905, 5C-11"
sysContact  "Bill Roth, Amber Services, 1-512-849-3999"
sysName     "my_sysname_value"
```

The first part of the entry specifies the variable name: sysLocation, sysContact, or sysName. The second part of the entry is a quoted character string that represents the value of the variable. The length of this string must not exceed 256 characters. For a specific variable name, if more than one entry (value) is available in the configuration file, the last entry is used to define the variable. If an entry does not exist in the configuration file or if no text appears after the variable name, the value is defined as a NULL string. If a quoted character string does not exist after the variable name, the first word after the variable name is used as the value of the variable. The sysName variable entry can be used as a custom system name instead of the default host name of the system.

The **snmpdv1** daemon uses the **snmpd.conf** configuration file to save and read variables. The **snmpd.conf** configuration file can be the default file or it can be specified from the command line. You do not need to refresh the **snmpdv1** daemon to view these new variables.

Note: When you set a value for the variable (set request), the **snmpdv1** daemon writes the value to the **snmpd.conf** configuration file to update these variables. If you are editing the **snmpd.conf** configuration file and a set request changes the variables, the set request could be lost when the edited file is saved. This can be avoided by shutting down the **snmpdv1** daemon to edit the **snmpd.conf** configuration file, or by using the **snmpinfo** command to set the variables.

To enter a comment in the **snmpd.conf** configuration file, type a # (pound sign) character first and then enter the comment. You can enter the comment anywhere in the **snmpd.conf** file. A comment begins at the # character and continues to the end of the line.

Note: The various group of configuration entries such as **Community Entry**, **Trap Entry**, **View Entry**, **Logging Entry**, **snmpd Entry**, and **Smux Entry** can be placed in any order within the **snmpd.conf** configuration file.

Examples

1. Example of community entries in the **snmpd.conf** file:

```
# Community specifications
community public
community private 192.100.154.7 255.255.255.255 readWrite 1.17.2
community monitor 192.100.154.1 255.255.255.0 readWrite 1.17.2
community private oilers
community simple giants
community test 0.0.0.0 0.0.0.0 none
community nobody 0.0.0.0 255.255.255.255 readWrite 1.17.35
community ipv6test 0::0 0
community ipv6monitor 2000:1:1:1:209:6bff:feae:6d67 64 readWrite 1.17.2
```

The first entry exemplifies the minimum required specification for a community entry. The IP address defaults to 0.0.0.0. The network mask defaults to 0.0.0.0. The permissions default to readOnly. The view defaults to the entire MIB tree. This configuration enables the **snmpdv1** agent to accept all readOnly requests under the community name public regardless of the IP address. Write or set requests are rejected.

The second entry limits the **snmpdv1** agent to accept readWrite requests under the community name private only from IP address 192.100.154.7 for MIB variables that are associated with the view name 1.17.2.

The third entry enables the **snmpdv1** agent to accept readWrite requests under the community name **monitor** from all IP addresses that start with 192.100.154, as indicated by the network mask, for all MIB variables that are associated with the view name 1.17.2.

The fourth entry sets the network mask to the default 255.255.255.255 and the permissions to the default, readOnly. This configuration enables the **snmpdv1** agent to accept readOnly requests under the community name **private** from the host named **oilers** for the entire MIB tree. The reuse of the community name **private** is independent of the usage in the second example entry.

The fifth entry sets the network mask to the default 255.255.255.255 and the default permissions to readOnly. This configuration enables the **snmpdv1** agent to accept readOnly requests for the entire MIB tree under the community name **simple** only from the host **giants**. Write or set requests are rejected.

The sixth entry causes the **snmpdv1** agent to reject all requests under the community name **test**, regardless of the IP address, because of the permission restriction of none.

The seventh entry causes the **snmpdv1** agent to reject all requests under the community name **nobody** because the network mask limits the IP address to entry 0.0.0.0, which is reserved and not available for a host.

The eighth entry causes the **snmpdv1** agent to accept all requests through the IPv6 network under the community name **ipv6test**.

The ninth entry causes the **snmpdv1** agent to accept read and write requests under the community name **ipv6monitor** from all IP addresses that start with 2000:1:1:1:209:6bff:feae:6d67, as indicated by the network prefix length for all MIB variables that are associated with the view name 1.17.2.

2. Example of trap entries in the **snmpd.conf** file:

```
# Trap host notification specifications
trap traps 192.100.154.7
trap traps 129.35.39.233
trap events giants
trap public oilers 1.2.3 be
trap private 129.35.42.210 1.2.4 7etrap events 2000:1:1:1:209:6bff:feae:6d67
```

The first entry specifies that the **snmpdv1** agent is to notify the host with IP address 192.100.154.7 of all traps generated. The community name embedded in the trap packet will be **traps**.

The second entry specifies that the **snmpdv1** agent is to notify the host with IP address 129.35.39.233 of all traps generated. The community name embedded in the trap packet will be **traps**.

The third entry specifies that the **snmpdv1** agent is to notify the host **giants** of all traps generated. The community name embedded in the trap packet will be **events**.

The fourth entry specifies that the **snmpdv1** agent is to notify the host **oilers** of all traps generated except for the *warmStart* trap. The community name embedded in the trap packet will be **public**. The *ViewName*, 1.2.3, is ignored.

The fifth entry specifies that the **snmpdv1** agent is to notify the host 129.35.42.210 of all traps generated except the *coldStart* trap. The community name embedded in the trap packet will be **private**. The *ViewName*, 1.2.4, is ignored.

The sixth entry specifies that the **snmpdv1** agent is to notify the IPv6 host 2000:1:1:1:209:6bff:feae:6d67 of all of the traps generated. The community name embedded in the trap packet will be **events**.

3. Examples of view entries in the **snmpd.conf** file:

```
# View specifications
view 1.17.2 system enterprises view
view 1.17.35
view 2.10.1 iso.3
```

The first entry associates the view name 1.17.2 with the system, enterprises, and view MIB groups. A community name that is associated with view 1.17.2 will only be associated with the MIB variables in these three groups. Thus, a host that has read permissions with this community name association can only get values for MIB variables in these specified groups.

The second and third entries configure the **snmpdv1** agent to allow access to the entire MIB tree for hosts that have access privileges associated with these specified view names.

4. Examples of logging entries in the **snmpd.conf** file:

```
# Logging specifications
logging /tmp/snmpdlog enabled
logging level=2 size=100000
```

These logging entries configure the **snmpdv1** agent to log messages at debug level 2 and below to the file named /tmp/snmpdlog. The size parameter limits the file size of the **/tmp/snmpd** log file to 100,000 bytes. When the log file reaches 100,000 bytes, the log file is rotated such that the full file is renamed to **/tmp/snmpdlog.0** and the new log file is named **/tmp/snmpdlog**.

5. Example of snmpd entries in the **snmpd.conf** file:

```
# snmpd parameter specifications
snmpd maxpacket=2048
snmpd querytimeout=120
```

The first snmpd entry limits the size of packets transmitted by the **snmpdv1** agent to 2048 bytes.

The second entry sets the querytimeout parameter to 120 seconds. This configures the **snmpdv1** agent to query all the interfaces known to the TCP/IP kernel every two minutes for status changes.

6. Examples of smux entries in the **snmpd.conf** file:

```
# smux configuration
smux 1.3.6.1.4.1.2.3.1.2.2 #gated
```

This smux entry configures the **snmpdv1** agent to allow the SMUX association only the **gated** SMUX peer client with no authentication. The SMUX peer must be running on the local host.

```
# smux configuration
smux 1.3.6.1.4.1.2.3.1.2.2 private #gated
```

This smux entry configures the **snmpdv1** agent to allow the SMUX association only the **gated** SMUX peer client having the passwordprivate. The SMUX peer must be running on the local host.

```
# smux configuration
smux 1.3.6.1.4.1.2.3.1.2.2 private 0.0.0.0 0.0.0.0
```

This smux entry configures the **snmpdv1** agent to allow the SMUX association only the **gated** SMUX peer client having the passwordprivate. The SMUX peer can be running on any host.

```
# smux configuration
smux 1.3.6.1.4.1.2.3.1.2.2 private 192.100.154.7 255.255.255.255
```

This smux entry configures the **snmpdv1** agent to allow the SMUX association only the **gated** SMUX peer client having the passwordprivate. The gated SMUX peer must be running on the host with IP address 192.100.154.7

```
# smux configuration
smux 1.3.6.1.4.1.2.3.1.2.2 private 192.100.154.1 255.255.255.0
```

This entry configures the **snmpdv1** agent to allow the SMUX association only the **gated** SMUX peer client having the password private. The gated SMUX peer can be running on any host in the network defined by 192.100.154.

```
# smux configuration
smux 1.3.6.1.4.1.2.3.1.2.2 private 2000:1:1:1:209:6bff:feae:6d67 64
```

This entry configures the **snmpdv1** agent to allow the SMUX association with only the **gated** SMUX peer client that has the private password. The gated SMUX peer can be running on any IPv6 host in the network defined by 2000:1:1:1:209:6bff:feae:6d67.

Note: The SMUX peer client object identifier must be unique. Only *one* form of the preceding examples of smux entries for the gated SMUX peer client can be in the **snmpd.conf** file.

7. Example of sysLocation and sysContact variable entries in the **snmpd.conf** file:

```
# Definitions for sysLocation and sysContact
sysLocation "Austin, Texas, USA, XYZ, Bld 905, 5C-11"
sysContact "Bill Roth, Amber Services, 1-512-849-3999"
```

These entries set the value for the **sysLocation** and **sysContact** variables.

8. Example of the default system name when the sysName variable is not set in the **snmpd.conf** file:

```
# snmpinfo -m get sysName.0
1.3.6.1.2.1.1.5.0 = "p8apa-cx3p1.xxx.xxxlabs.ibm.com"
```

9. Example of a customized system name when the sysName variable is set in the **snmpd.conf** file:

```
# snmpinfo -m get sysName.0
1.3.6.1.2.1.1.5.0 = "my_sysname_value"
```

Related information

[snmpdv1 command](#)

[SNMP daemon configuration](#)

snmpd.boots File

Purpose

Provides the boot and engine ID information for the **snmpdv3** agent.

Description

The **snmpd.boots** file provides the boot and engine ID information for the **snmpdv3** agent. The file contains two elements: an **engineID**, and, **engineBoots**, the number of times that the **snmpv3** daemon has been started.

Syntax

```
engineID engineBoots
```

The following list explains the variables in the syntax:

engineID

A string of 2 to 64 (must be an even number) hexadecimal digits. The engine identifier uniquely identifies the agent within an administrative domain. By default, the engine identifier is created using a vendor-specific formula and incorporates the IP address of the agent. However, users can choose to use any engine identifier that is consistent with the **snmpEngineID** definition in RFC 2271, and that is also unique within the administrative domain.

For the engineID that is associated with an IPv4 address, the first 8 hexadecimal digits represent a vendor enterprise ID obtained from the Internet Assigned Numbers Authority (IANA). For IBM, this ID is 00000002. The last 16 hexadecimal digits are determined by vendor-formula. For IBM, the formula follows these rules:

- The first two hexadecimal digits indicate the content of the next 14 hexadecimal digits.
- The string 00 indicates that the next 6 hexadecimal digits are zeros, followed by the IP address of the agent in the last 8 hexadecimal digits.

- The string 01 indicates that the next 6 hexadecimal digits contain a time stamp, followed by the IP address of the agent in the last 8 hexadecimal digits.

The agent is always used without a time stamp, so the engineID for an SNMP agent at IPv4 address 9.67.113.10 is 00000002 00000000 09 43 71 0A (spaces are added for clarity).

An engineID associated with an IPv6 address follows these rules:

- The first 4 octets 80000002, which are a hexadecimal value, is an IANA assigned enterprise number.
- The 5th octet 02, which is a hexadecimal value, indicates that it is an IP address.
- The 6th octet to the 31st octet are hexadecimal values of the 16 bytes IPv6 address.

For example, the engineID for an SNMP agent running on IPv6 address 2000:1:1:1:209:6bff:feae:6d67 is 80000002 02 200000010001000202096BFFFEAE6D67 (spaces are added for clarity).

engineBoots

The number of times (in decimal) the agent has been restarted since the engineID was last changed.

Note:

1. engineID and engineBoots must be specified in order and on the same line.
2. Comments are specified in the file by starting the line with either an asterisk (*) or a pound sign (#).
3. No comments are allowed between engineID and engineBoots values.
4. Only the first non-comment line is read. Subsequent lines are ignored.

Example

The first string of numbers is the **engineID**, the second string is the number of times the **snmpdv3** daemon has been started.

```
000000020000000000903E65F 0000000003
```

Files

Item	Description
etc/snmpd.boots	Provides boot and engineID information.

Related information

[snmpdv3 command](#)

[SNMP daemon configuration](#)

snmpdv3.conf File

Purpose

Defines a sample configuration file for the **snmpdv3** agent.

Description

An entry must be contained on one line (i.e., the newline character will be treated as the end of an entry) All of the entry definitions require that all fields on the entry are specified, either with a specific value or a dash (-) to denote the default value. If an error is detected processing an entry and no appropriate default value can be assumed, the entry will be discarded. Statements in the file are not order-dependent. However, if more than one DEFAULT_SECURITY statement is found, the last one in the file is the one that is used. For more information on sample configuration, refer to the /usr/samples/snmpdv3/snmpdv3.conf file.

General Usage Rules

- All values for an entry must be on the same line.
- All keys need to be regenerated using the `pwtokey` command in order for these sample entries to actually be used.
- In this sample, keys are generated for use with engine ID 000000002000000000943714F.
- Authentication keys were generated with password of `username + password`, such as `u1password`.
- Privacy keys were generated with password of `username + privpass`, such as `u1privpass`.
- Entries defined to use encryption support, which is available only as a separately orderable feature on the base AIX product, are included below but commented out.

Comments may be entered in the **snmpdv3.conf** file, with the following restrictions:

- Comments must begin with the pound sign (#) or asterisk (*).
- Comments must begin in column 1. This allows the pound sign and asterisk to be used in names of users, views, etc.

USM_USER entries

Defines a user for the User-based Security Model (USM). Format is:

```
userName engineID authProto authKey privProto privKey keyType storageType
```

where

userName

Indicates the name of the user for the User-based Security Model (USM) and must be unique to the SNMP agent. The **userName** is used as the security name for the User-based Security Model. The contents of this field will be used as the **securityName** value for other entries (such as the `VACM_GROUP` entry) when the `securityModel` is USM. Valid value is:

- An octet string of 1 to 32 octets (characters).

There is no default value.

engineID

Indicates the **engineID** of the authoritative side of the message. The **engineID** for the AIX SNMP agent is determined at agent initialization. It is either read in from the **SNMPD.BOOT**s file or it is generated automatically and stored in the **SNMPD.BOOT**s file. It can be retrieved dynamically by issuing a **get** request for object **snmpEngineID**. For **get**, **getbulk**, **set**, **response**, and **trap** messages, the authoritative side is the SNMP agent. For inform messages, the authoritative side is the notification receiver.

Note: The **engineID** is defined in RFC 2271.

Valid values are:

- An octet string of 1 to 32 octets (2 to 64 hex digits).
- A '-' (dash) indicates the default value.

The default value is the local SNMP agent's **engineID**.

authProto

Indicates the authentication protocol to be used on authenticated messages on behalf of this user. Valid values are:

- **HMAC-MD5** - indicates HMAC-MD5.
- **HMAC-SHA** - indicates HMAC-SHA.
- **none** - indicates no authentication is to be done.
- '-' (dash) - indicates the default value.

A The default value is HMAC-MD5 (if an authentication key is specified; if no authentication key is specified, no authentication can be done for messages to/from this user).

authKey

Indicates the authentication key to be used in authenticating messages on behalf of this user. This field will be ignored when **authProto** is specified as none. The **keyType** field will indicate whether the key is localized or non-localized. Valid values are:

- An octet string of 16 bytes (32 hex digits) when authProto is HMAC-MD5.
- An octet string of 20 bytes (40 hex digits) when authProto is HMAC-SHA.
- A '-' (dash) indicates the default.

The default value is no key, indicating no authentication.

privProto

Indicates the privacy protocol to be used on encrypted messages on behalf of this user. Privacy can be requested only if authentication is also requested. If authentication is not requested, this field is ignored. Valid values are:

- **DES** - indicates CBC-DES (only with the additional encryption product).
- **none** - indicates no privacy.
- A '-' (dash) indicates default.

The default value is no privacy. No encryption will be done on messages to/from this user.

privKey

The privacy key to be used in authenticating messages to and from this user. This field will be ignored when **privProto** is specified or defaulted as none. The **keyType** field will indicate whether the key is localized or non-localized. Privacy can be requested only if authentication is also requested. If authentication is not requested, this field is ignored. The privacy key and the authentication key are assumed to have been generated using the same authentication protocol (HMAC-MD5 or HMAC-SHA). Valid values are:

- An octet string of 16 bytes (32 hex digits) if the key is localized or if the key is non-localized and the **authProto** is HMAC-MD5.
- An octet string of 20 bytes (40 hex digits) if the key is non-localized and the **authProto** is HMAC-SHA.
- The '-' (dash) indicates default.

Default value is no key, indicating no encryption.

keyType

Indicates whether the keys defined by authKey and privKey are localized or non-localized. Localized indicates that they have been generated with the appropriate engineID making the key usable only at one snmpEngine. Non-localized indicates the key may be used at different snmpEngines. The **authKey** and **privKey**, if both are specified, must both be localized or both be non-localized. This field is ignored if no authentication or privacy is requested. Valid values are:

- **L** - indicates keys are localized.
- **N** - indicates keys are non-localized.
- '-' (dash) indicates default Default value is localized.

storageType

Indicates the type of storage in which this definition is to be maintained. **StorageTypes** are defined in RFC1903. Valid values are:

- **nonVolatile** - indicates the entry definition will persist across reboots of the SNMP agent, but it can, however, be changed or even deleted by dynamic configuration requests.
- **permanent** - indicates the entry definition will persist across reboots of the SNMP agent; it can be changed but not deleted by dynamic configuration requests
- **readonly** - indicates the entry definition will persist across reboots of the SNMP agent; it cannot be changed or deleted by dynamic configuration requests. **readOnly** is not permitted if the authentication protocol is not 'none' (because keys must be changeable per RFC 2274 definition of **usmUserStorageType**) .

- '-' (dash) - indicates default.

Default value is non-volatile.

VACM_GROUP entries

Defines a security group (made up of users or communities) for the View-based Access Control Model (VACM). Format is:

```
groupName securityModel securityName storageType
```

where:

groupName

Indicates the group name for the View-based Access Control Model (VACM) and must be unique to the SNMP agent. Valid value is:

- An octet string of 1 to 32 octets (characters).

There is no default value.

securityModel

Indicates the SNMP security model for this entry. When an SNMP message comes in, the **securityModel** together with the **securityName** are used to determine to which group the user (or community) represented by the **securityName** belongs. Valid values are: **'SNMPv1'** - indicates community-based security using SNMPv1 message processing. **'SNMPv2c'** - indicates community-based security using SNMPv2c message processing. **'USM'** - indicates User-based Security Model. A '-' (dash) - indicates default. Default value is 'USM'.

securityName

Indicates a member of this group. For community-based security, it will be a community name. For the User-based Security Model, it will be a user name. Valid values are:

- An octet string of 1 to 32 octets (characters) indicating a USM userName when securityModel is USM.
- An octet string of 1 to 32 octets (characters) indicating a community Name when securityModel is 'SNMPv1' or 'SNMPv2c'.

There is no default value.

StorageType

As defined above on the **USM_USER** definition.

VACM_VIEW entries

Defines a particular set of MIB data, called a view, for the View-based Access Control Model. Format is:

```
viewName viewSubtree viewMask viewType storageType
```

where:

viewName

Indicates the textual name of the view for the View-based Access Control Model. View names do not need to be unique. Multiple entries with the same name together define one view. However, the **viewname**, together with the **subtree** object ID, must be unique to an SNMP engine. Valid values are:

- An octet string of 1 to 32 octets (characters).

There is no default value.

viewSubtree

Indicates the MIB object prefix of the MIB objects in the view. Valid values are:

- An object id of up to 128 sub-OIDs.
- A textual object name (or object prefix).

- A combination of textual object name followed by numeric sub-OIDs. The name must be found within the compiled MIB or in the logical extension to the MIB, the **MIBS.DATA** file.

There is no default value.

viewMask

Indicates a mask that specifies which of the sub-OIDs in the subtree are relevant. See RFC2275 for a definition of the viewMask. Valid values are:

- A hex string of up to 16 octets (up to 128 bits) where each bit indicates whether or not the corresponding sub-OID in the subtree is relevant.
- A '-' (dash) - indicates default.

The default value is a mask of all (meaning all sub-OIDs are relevant).

viewType

Indicates the type of the view definition. Valid values are:

- **included** - indicating the MIB objects identified by this view definition are within the view.
- **excluded** - indicating the MIB objects identified by this view definition are excluded from the view.
- A '-' (dash) - indicates default.

The default value is **included**.

storageType

As defined above on the **USM_USER** definition.

VACM_ACCESS entries

Identifies the access permitted to different security groups for the View-based Access Control Model. Format is:

```
groupName contextPrefix contextMatch securityLevel, securityModel
readView writeView notifyView storageType
```

where:

groupName

Indicates the group name for the View-based Access Control Model (VACM) for which access is being defined. Valid values are:

- An octet string of 1 to 32 octets (characters).

There is no default value.

contextPrefix

Indicates an octet string to be compared with the incoming contextName if the value specified for the contextMatch field is **prefix**. Note, however, that the SNMP agent in AIX supports MIB objects in only the local (null) context. Valid values are:

- An octet string of 1 to 32 octets (characters).
- A '-' (dash) - indicates default.

The default value is the null context ("").

contextMatch

Indicates whether the incoming **contextName** must be compared with (and match exactly) the entire **contextName** or whether only the first part of the **contextName** (up to the length of the indicated value of the **contextPrefix**) must match. Valid values are:

- **exact** - indicates entire **contextName** must match.
- **prefix** - indicates only the prefix of the **contextName** must match.
- A '-' (dash) - indicates the default.

The default value is exact.

securityLevel

Indicates the **securityLevel** for this entry. Used in determining which access table entry to use. Valid values are:

- **noAuthNoPriv** or 'none' - indicates no authentication or privacy protocols applied.
- **AuthNoPriv** or 'auth' - indicates authentication protocols applied but no privacy protocol is applied.
- **AuthPriv** or 'priv' - indicates both authentication and privacy protocols applied (If the additional encryption pack is not applied, this level can be configured but cannot actually be used).
- A '-' (dash) - indicates default.

The default value is **noAuthNoPriv**.

securityModel

Indicates the SNMP security model for this entry. Used in determining which access table entry to use. Valid values are:

- **SNMPv1** - indicates community-based security using SNMPv1 message processing.
- **SNMPv2c** - indicates community-based security using SNMPv2c message processing.
- **USM** - indicates User-based Security Model.
- A '-' (dash) - indicates default.

The default value is **USM**.

readView

Indicates the name of the view to be applied when read operations (**get**, **getnext**, **getbulk**) are performed under control of this entry in the access table. Valid values are:

- An octet string of 1 to 32 octets (characters) identifying a view defined by a **VACM_VIEW** definition.
- A '-' (dash) - indicates default.

The default value is no view; no **readView** defined for members of this group.

writeView

Indicates the name of the view to be applied when write operations (**set**) are performed under control of this entry in the access table. Valid values are:

- An octet string of 1 to 32 octets (characters) identifying a view defined by a **VACM_VIEW** definition.
- A '-' (dash) - indicates default.

The default value is no view; no **writeView** defined for members of this group.

notifyView

Indicates the name of the view to be applied when notify operations (**traps** or **informs**) are performed under control of this entry in the access table. Valid values are:

- An octet string of 1 to 32 octets (characters) identifying a view defined by a **VACM_VIEW** definition.
- A '-' (dash) - indicates default.

Default value is no view; no **notifyView** defined for members of this group

NOTIFY entries

Identifies management targets to receive notifications. Format is:

```
notifyName tag type storageType
```

where:

notifyName

Is a locally unique identifier for this notify definition. Valid values are:

- An octet string of 1 to 32 octets (characters)

There is no default value.

tag

Indicates a tag value to be compared with the values in the **tagLists** defined in the **snmpTargetAddrTable** (either on TARGET_ADDRESS entries or via dynamic configuration). For each match of this tag with a value in the **tagLists** defined in the **snmpTargetAddrTable**, a notification may be sent. See RFC2273 for a definition of **SnmpTagValue**. Valid values are:

- An octet string of 1 to 255 octets (characters). No delimiters are allowed.
- A '-' indicates the default.

Default value is no tag value.

type

Indicates which type of notification should be generated. Valid values are:

- **trap** - an unconfirmed notification; notification sent with **trap** PDUs.
- A '-' (dash) - indicates the default.

Default value is **trap**.

TARGET_ADDRESS

Defines a management application's address and parameters to be used in sending notifications. Format is:

```
targetAddrName tDomain tAddress tagList targetParams timeout retryCount storageType
```

where:

targetAddrName

Indicates a locally unique identifier for this target address definition. Valid values are:

- An octet string of 1 to 32 octets (characters).

There is no default value.

tDomain

Indicates the transport type of the address indicated by **tAddress**. Valid values are:

- **UDP** - for UDP datagrams.
- A '-' (dash) - for the default value.

Default value is **UDP**.

tAddress

Indicates the transport address to which notifications are sent. Valid values are:

- A 1- to 21- octet string indicating the IP address and optionally the UDP port.

Form is

```
ip_address:port
```

IP address must be specified as a.b.c.d where a, b, c and d are in the range of 0 to 255. The port, if specified, must be in the range of 1 to 65535. Example:

```
9.37.84.48:162
```

The IP address may not be defaulted, but the port, if not specified, will default to 162.

tagList

Indicates a list of tag values which are used to select target addresses for a notification operation. RFC2273 contains the complete definition of **SnmpTagList** and **SnmpTagValue**. The AIX implementation accepts as valid values:

- An octet string of 1 to 255 octets (characters). No delimiters are allowed.
- '-' indicates the default.

The default value is an empty list.

targetParams

Indicates a TARGET_PARAMETERS **paramsName** value that indicates which security and message processing is to be used in sending notifications to this target. Valid values are:

- An octet string of 1 to 32 octets (characters)

There is no default value.

timeout

Indicates the expected maximum round trip time for communicating with this target address (in 1/100ths of a second). **timeout** is used only for inform type notifications; it is not used for traps. Valid values are:

- An integer in the range of (0..2147483647) specifying the number of hundredths of a second for the timeout. Note, however, that this value is not used for notifications of type **trap**.
- '-' (dash) indicating the default.

Default value is 0, meaning no timeout value.

retryCount

Indicates the number of retries to be attempted when a response is not received for a generated message. **retryCount** is used only for inform type notifications; it is not used for traps. Valid values are:

- An integer in the range of (0 to 255), indicating the number of retries to be attempted. Note, however, that this value is not used for notifications of type **trap**.
- A '-' (dash) indicating the default.

Default value is 0, meaning no retry.

TARGET_PARAMETERS

Defines the message processing and security parameters to be used in sending notifications to a particular management target. Format is:

```
paramsName mpModel securityModel securityName securityLevel storageType
```

where:

paramsName

A locally unique identifier for this target parameters definition. Valid values are:

- An octet string of 1 to 32 octets (characters).

There is no default value.

mpModel

The message processing model to be used in sending notifications to targets with this parameter definition. Valid values are:

- **SNMPv1** - indicates SNMPv1.
- **SNMPv2c** - indicates SNMPv2c.
- **SNMPv3** - indicates SNMPv3.

There is no default value.

securityModel

Indicates the security model to be used in sending notifications to targets with this parameter definition. Valid values are:

- **SNMPv1** indicates SNMPv1.
- **SNMPv2c** Indicates SNMPv2c.
- **USM** indicates User-based Security Model.

There is no default value.

securityName

Identifies the principal (user or community) on whose behalf SNMP messages will be generated using this parameter definition. For community based security, this would be a community name. For USM, this would be a user name. Valid values are:

- An octet string of 1 to 32 octets (characters).

There is no default value.

securityLevel

Indicates the security level to be used in sending notifications to targets with this parameter definition. Valid values are:

- **noAuthNoPriv** or **none** - indicates no authentication or privacy. protocols applied.
- **AuthNoPriv** or **auth** - indicates authentication protocols applied but no privacy protocol is applied.
- **AuthPriv** or **priv** - indicates both authentication and privacy protocols applied. (If the additional encryption pack is not applied, this level can be configured, but not actually used.)
- '-' (dash) - indicates default.

Default value is **noAuthNoPriv**.

NOTIFY_FILTER_PROFILE

Associates a notification filter profile with a particular set of target parameters. The format of this parameter is as follows:

```
targetParamsName profileName storageType
```

The following list explains the meaning of the variables in the previous format:

- **targetParamsName**: Defines the message processing and security parameters to be used in sending notifications to a particular management target.
- **profileName**: A locally unique identifier for this profile name definition. The valid value for this parameter must be an octet string of 1 through 32 octets (characters). No default value is defined for this parameter.
- **storageType**: Indicates the type of storage in which this definition is to be maintained.

NOTIFY_FILTER

Determines whether particular management targets receive particular notifications. The format of this parameter is as follows:

```
profileName filterSubtree filterMask filterType storageType
```

The following list explains the meaning of the variables in the **NOTIFY_FILTER** parameter's format:

- **profileName**: A locally unique identifier for this profile name definition. The valid value for this parameter must be an octet string of 1 through 32 octets (characters). No default value is defined for this parameter.
- **filterSubtree**: Indicates the MIB subtree. When the **filterSubtree** parameter is combined with the corresponding instance of **snmpNotifyFilterMask**, it defines a family of subtrees that are included in, or excluded from, the filter profile. The following values are valid:
 - An object ID of up to 128 sub-object IDs

- A textual object name (or object prefix)
- A combination of textual object name followed by numeric sub-object IDs

The name must be found within the compiled MIB or in the logical extension to the MIB, the **MIBS.DEFS** file. There is no default value.

- **filterMask**: Indicates the bit mask in combination with the corresponding instance of **snmpNotifyFilterSubtree**. This parameter defines a family of subtrees that are included in, or excluded from, the filter profile. The valid values must be an octet string of 0 through 16 octets. The default value is an octet string with a length of zero.
- **filterType**: Indicates the type of the filter definition. The following values are valid:
 - **included**: Indicates the family of filter subtrees defined by this entry that are included in a filter.
 - **excluded**: Indicates the family of filter subtrees defined by this entry that are excluded from a filter.
 - **- (dash)**: Indicates the default value.

The default value for this parameter is **included**.
- **storageType**: Indicates the type of storage in which this definition is to be maintained.

COMMUNITY

Defines a community for community-based security.

By default, the AIX **snmpdv3** agent does not configure any default community name, including the **public** community name. The **snmpdv3** agent neither work with the IPv4 address nor with the IPv6 address unless any COMMUNITY entry is configured for the IPv4 and/or IPv6 address.

The format is:

```
communityName securityName securityLevel netAddr netMask storageType
```

where:

communityName

Indicates a community name for community-based security (SNMPv1 or # SNMPv2c). Valid values are:

- An octet string of 1 to 32 octets (characters).

There is no default value.

securityName

Indicates a **securityName** defined for this **communityName**. The **securityName** is the more generic term for the principal (user or community) for which other entries, such as VACM_GROUP and TARGET_PARAMETERS, are defined. Typically, the **securityName** would match **communityName** or, at least, there would be a one-to-one correspondence between **securityName** and **communityName**. (Until the community MIB support is implemented, the community name must match the securityName exactly.) Valid values are:

- An octet string of 1 to 32 octets (characters).
- '-' (dash) - indicates default.

The default value is **securityName** equal to the specified **communityName**.

securityLevel

Indicates the security level to be applied when processing incoming or outgoing messages with this community name.

Note: When the **communityMIB** is implemented, **authNoPriv** will also be a valid level of security, but at the moment, it will be rejected because there is no way to store a **securityLevel** to be associated with a **communityName**. When that happens, the following will be added to the list of valid values below:

- **authNoPriv** or **auth** - indicates authentication protocols applied.

Note that no additional authentication checking is done by specifying **auth**. Authentication still involves verifying that the community name is being used by an IP address for which it has been defined and using the views defined for that entry. However, allowing the specification of **auth** here does allow the system administrator to define a different set of views to be used if the same community name is defined with two different **securityNames** (each with a different **securityLevel**)

Valid values are:

- **noAuthNoPriv** or **none** - indicates no authentication or privacy protocols applied.
- '-' (dash) - indicates default.

Default value is **noAuthNoPriv**. Encryption is not supported on SNMPv1/SNMPv2c messages.

netAddr

A network address indicating the range of addresses for which this community name might be used. The following values are valid:

- An IPv4 network address in the form of a . b . c . d, where a, b, c, and d are in the range of 0 through 255. However, not all of the four octets are required. Also, 255.255.255.255 is not a valid network address.
- An IPv6 network address.

netMask

An IP address mask to be logically ANDed with the origin address of the incoming SNMP message. If the resulting value equals the value specified for **netAddr**, the incoming message is accepted. The following values are valid:

- A network address in the form of a . b . c . d, where a, b, c, and d are in the range of 0 through 255. However, not all of the four octets are required.
- A prefix length in the range of 0 through 128 for IPv6 address.

There is no default value.

storageType

As defined above on the **USM_USER** definition (Note, until the community MIB is implemented, storage type values other than **readOnly** will be treated as **readOnly**; i.e., they cannot be changed dynamically.)

DEFAULT_SECURITY

Identifies the default security posture to be configured for the SNMP agent; additional security definitions defined by the use of the preceding eight entry definition types augment any default security configurations defined as a result of the **DEFAULT_SECURITY** statement. Format is:

```
securityPosture password privacy
```

where:

securityPosture

Indicates the default security posture to be configured for the SNMP agent, as defined by Appendix A of RFC 2275 (and outlined below). Valid values are:

- **minimum-secure** - indicates the SNMP agent will be configured with the least secure default configurations
- **semi-secure** - indicates the SNMP agent will be configured with moderately secure default configurations.
- **no-access** - indicates the SNMP agent will be configured with no default configurations.

The default value is **no-access**.

password

Indicates the password to be used to generate authentication and privacy keys for user 'initial' In the case that **no-access** is specified as the **securityPosture**, this keyword is ignored. Valid values are:

- An octet string of 8 to 255 octets (characters).
- '-' (dash) - indicating the default.

Default value is no password. Default only accepted if **securityPosture** is **no-access**.

privacy

Indicates whether or not encryption is to be supported for messages on behalf of user '**initial**'. Valid values are:

- **Yes** - indicates privacy is supported for user 'initial' (only with the additional encryption product).
- **No** - indicates privacy is not supported for user **initial**.
- '-' (dash) - indicates default value.

Default value is no. If **no-access** is selected as the security posture, this value will be ignored.

Default security definitions based on the selected security posture:

no-access

No initial configurations are done.

semi-secure

The default (null) context is configured. If privacy is not requested, a default user is configured as if the following USM_USER entry had been specified. USM_USER initial- HMAC-MD5 none - N permanent where ### indicates the key generated from the password specified on the DEFAULT_SECURITY entry. If privacy is requested (and available with the additional encryption product) , a default user is configured as if the following USM_USER entry had been specified: USM_USER initial - HMAC-MD5 ### DES ### N permanent where ### indicates the key generated from the password specified on the DEFAULT_SECURITY entry.

A default group is configured as if the following VACM_GROUP entry had been specified:

VACM_GROUP initial USM initial **readOnly**. Three default access entries are configured as if the following VACM_ACCESS entries had been specified:

```
VACM_ACCESS initial - exact none.    USM restricted - restricted  readOnly.
VACM_ACCESS initial - exact auth.    USM internet  internet  internet  readOnly
VACM_ACCESS initial - exact priv     USM internet  internet  internet  readOnly
Two default MIB views are configured as if the following
VACM_VIEW entries .had been specified:
VACM_VIEW internet  internet        - included  readOnly
VACM_VIEW restricted system          - included  readOnly
VACM_VIEW restricted snmp            - included  readOnly
VACM_VIEW restricted snmpEngine      - included  readOnly
VACM_VIEW restricted snmpMPDStats    - included  readOnly
VACM_VIEW restricted usmStats        - included  readOnly
```

minimum-secure

The default (null) context is configured. If privacy is not requested, a default user is configured as if the following USM_USER entry had been specified. : USM_USER initial - HMAC-MD5 ### none - N permanent where ### indicates the key generated from the password specified on the DEFAULT_SECURITY entry.

If privacy is requested (and available with the additional encryption product) , a default user is configured as if the following USM_USER entry had been specified: USM_USER initial - HMAC-MD5 ### DES ### N permanent where ### indicates the key generated from the password specified on the DEFAULT_SECURITY entry.

A default group is configured as if the following VACM_GROUP entry had been specified: VACM_GROUP initial USM initial **readOnly**.

Three default access entries are configured as if the following VACM_ACCESS entries had been specified:

```
VACM_ACCESS initial - exact none    USM restricted - restricted  readOnly
VACM_ACCESS initial - exact auth    USM internet  internet  internet  readOnly
VACM_ACCESS initial - exact priv    USM internet  internet  internet
```

readOnly

Two default MIB views are configured as if the following VACM_VIEW entries had been specified:

```
VACM_VIEW internet    internet    - included readOnly
VACM_VIEW restricted internet    - included readOnly
```

logging

Directs logging from the configuration file. Format is:

```
logging      file=</path/filename>  enabled|disabled
logging      size=<limit>             level=<debug level>
```

There can be no white spaces around the "=" in the file, size and level fields where </path/filename> specifies the complete path and filename of the log file. Valid values are: An octet string of 1 to 255 octets (characters). Default value is **/var/tmp/snmpdv3.log** enabled|disabled. Valid values are: 'enabled' - turns logging on; 'disabled' - turns logging off. Default value is 'enabled'.

<limit>

Specifies the maximum size in bytes of the specified **logfile** Valid values are: '0' - meaning unlimited. An unsigned integer number in the unit of byte. Default value is 0.

<debug level>

specifies the logging level. Valid values are: # 0, 1, 2, 3, or 4 Default value is 0.

```
logging      file=/usr/tmp/snmpdv3.log  enabled
logging      size=0                     level=0
```

smux entry

Sets the SMUX peer configuration parameters # Format is:

```
smux <client OIdentifier> <password> <address> <netmask>
```

Fields to the right of <client OIdentifier> are optional, with the limitation that no fields to the left of a specified field are omitted. Where <client OIdentifier> defines the unique object identifier in dotted decimal notation of the SMUX peer client. Valid values are: An unique object identifier in dotted decimal notation up to 128 sub-OIDs of that SMUX peer. There is no default value.

<password>

Specifies the password that **snmpd** requires from the SMUX peer client to authenticate the SMUX association. If no password is specified, there is no authentication for the SMUX association. Valid values are: An octet string of 8 to 255 octets (characters). Default value is null string

<address>

Identifies the host on which the SMUX peer client is running. The following values are valid:

- A host name of 1 through 80 characters or an IPv4 address that must be specified in the format of a.b.c.d, where a, b, c, and d are in the range of 0 through 255
- An IPv6 address.

The default value of the **<address>** member is 127.0.0.1

<netmask>

Specifies the network mask. Valid values are: network mask must be specified as a.b.c.d where a, b, c and d are in the range of 0 to 255. Default value is 255.255.255.255.

```
smux          1.3.6.1.4.1.2.3.1.2.1.2      gated_password # gated
```

Any SNMP agent configuration entries added by dynamic configuration (SET) requests get added to the end of the **snmpdv3.conf** file.

Related reference

[snmpmibd.conf File](#)

Related information

[snmpdv3 command](#)

[clsnmp command](#)

snmpmibd.conf File

Purpose

Defines the configuration parameters for **snmpmibd dpi2** sub-agent.

Description

The **snmpmibd.conf** file provides the configuration information for the **snmpmibd dpi2** sub-agent. This file can be changed while the **snmpmibd dpi2** sub-agent is running. If the **refresh** command is issued, the **snmpmibd dpi2** sub-agent will reread this configuration file. The **snmpmibd dpi2** sub-agent must be under System Resource Control (SRC) for the **refresh** command to force the reread. To perform a reread, as root user, run:

```
# refresh -s snmpmibd
```

Keywords

The directives are specified in the form of <keyword>=<value>. The keyword is case-insensitive. The value passed is also case-sensitive.

logFilename

The name of the most recent log file. Less recent log files have the number 1 to (n - 1) appended to their names. The larger the number, the less recent the file.

logFileSize

The size of log files in K bytes. Maximum size of a log file. When the size of the most recent log file reaches this value, it is renamed and a new log file is created.

numLogFiles

The number of log files desired. The maximum value for **numLogFiles** is 4. A new file is created when the size of the log file is equal or more than the size specified by the keyword **logFileSize**. When the number of log files reaches the **numLogFiles** the log files start rotating.

tracelevel

The tracing/debug level.

```
8 = DPI level 1
16 = DPI level 2
32 = Internal level 1
64 = Internal level 2
128 = Internal level 3
```

Add the numbers for multiple trace levels

Example

```
logFileName=/usr/tmp/snmpmibd.log
logFileSize=0
numLogFiles=0
tracelevel=0
```

File

Item	Description
/etc/snmpmibd.conf	Defines the configuration parameters for snmpmibd dpi2 sub-agent.

Related reference

[snmpdv3.conf File](#)

Related information

[snmpmibd command](#)

[refresh command](#)

socks5c.conf File

Purpose

Contains mappings between network destinations and SOCKSv5 servers.

Description

The **/etc/socks5c.conf** file contains basic mappings (between network destinations, hosts or networks, and SOCKSv5 servers) to use when accessing network destinations. It is an ASCII file that contains records for server mappings. Text that follows a pound character (#) is ignored until the end of the line. Each record is on a single line in the following format:

destination [/prefixlength] *server* [:port]

You must separate the fields with whitespace. Records are separated by new line characters. The fields and modifiers in a record have the following values:

Item	Description
<i>destination</i>	Specifies a network destination. The <i>destination</i> variable may be either a name fragment or a numeric address (with optional <i>prefixlength</i>). If <i>destination</i> is an address, it may be either IPv4 or IPv6.
<i>prefixlength</i>	If specified, indicates the number of leftmost (network order) bits of an address to use when comparing to this record. It is valid only if <i>destination</i> is an address. If not specified, all bits are used in comparisons.
<i>server</i>	Specifies the SOCKSv5 server associated with <i>destination</i> . If <i>server</i> is NONE (must be all uppercase), this record indicates that target addresses matching <i>destination</i> should not use any SOCKSv5 server; instead, it should be contacted directly.
<i>port</i>	If specified, indicates the port to use when contacting <i>server</i> .

If a name fragment *destination* is present in **/etc/socks5c.conf**, all target addresses in SOCKSv5 operations will be converted into hostnames for name comparison (in addition to numeric comparisons with numeric records). The resulting hostname is considered to match if the last characters in the hostname match the specified name fragment.

When using this configuration information to determine the address of the appropriate SOCKSv5 server for a target destination, the *best* match is used. The *best* match is defined as follows:

- If *destination* is numeric, the most bits in the comparison (i.e., largest *prefixlength*) are used.
- If *destination* is a name fragment, the most characters in the name fragment are.

When both name fragment and numeric addresses are present, all name fragment entries are *better* than numeric address entries.

The following two implicit records are assumed as defaults for all destinations not specified in **/etc/socks5c.conf**:

```
0.0.0.0/0 NONE #All IPv4 destinations; no associated server.
```

```
::/0 NONE #All IPv6 destinations; no associated server.
```

SOCKS5C_CONFIG Environment Variable

The **SOCKS5C_CONFIG** environment variable enables the SOCKS library. To enable the library and to indicate that it uses the **socks5c.conf** file, you must set and export the variable to the pathname of the file, which is **/etc/socks5c.conf**. However, you can use a different configuration file by setting **SOCKS5C_CONFIG** to the pathname of that file. If the specified file is not found, then by default the **socks5c.conf** file is used as a configuration file. If you set this variable to NULL, then SOCKS is not used and traditional network operations occur instead.

Security

Access Control: This file should grant read (r) access to all users and grant write (w) access only to the root user.

Examples

```
#Sample socks5c.conf file
```

```
9.0.0.0/8      NONE      #Direct communication with all hosts in the 9 network.
```

```
129.35.0.0/16  sox1.austin.ibm.com
```

```
ibm.com      NONE      #Direct communication will all hosts matching "ibm.com" (e.g.  
"aguila.austin.ibm.com")
```

Related information

[socks5tcp_connect](#)

space File

Purpose

Describes the format of a disk space requirements file.

Description

The **space** file is an ASCII file that gives information about disk space requirements for the target environment. It defines the maximum additional space a package requires (for example, for files that are installed with the **installf** command).

The generic format of a line in this file is:

```
pathname blocks inodes
```

Definitions for the fields are as follows:

Item	Description
<i>pathname</i>	Specifies a directory name which may or may not be the mount point for a filesystem. Names that do not begin with a slash (/) indicate relocatable directories.
<i>blocks</i>	Defines the number of disk blocks required for installation of the files and directory entries contained in the pathname (using a 512-byte block size).
<i>inodes</i>	Defines the number of inodes required for installation of the files and directory entries contained in the pathname.

Examples

```
# extra space required by config data which is
# dynamically loaded onto the system
data      500      1
```

.srf File

Purpose

Contains all the text components with hypertext information embedded.

Description

The **.srf** file is one of several intermediate files produced for each document by InfoCrafter. The **.srf** file is a binary file that contains all the text components with hypertext link information embedded.

Files

Item	Description
.srf	Contains text components with embedded linking information.

Related reference

[.fig File](#)

streamcmds File

Purpose

Contains auditstream commands.

Description

The **/etc/security/audit/streamcmds** file is an ASCII template file that contains the stream mode commands that are invoked when the audit system is initialized. The path name of this file is defined in the stream stanza of the **/etc/security/audit/config** file.

This file contains command lines, each of which is composed of one or more commands with input and output that may be piped together or redirected. Although the commands usually are one or more of the audit system commands (**auditcat**, **auditpr**, and **auditselect**), this is not a requirement. The first command, however, should be the **auditstream** command.

When the audit system is initialized, the **audit start** command runs each command. No path name substitution is performed on **\$trail** or **\$bin** strings in the commands.

Security

Access Control: This file should grant read (r) access to the root user and members of the audit group, and write (w) access to the root user only.

Examples

1. To read all records from the audit device, select and format those that involve unsuccessful events, and print them on a line printer, include the following in the **/etc/security/audit/streamcmds** file:

```
/usr/sbin/auditstream | /usr/sbin/auditselect -e \  
"result == FAIL" | /usr/sbin/auditpr -v > /dev/lpr0
```

This command is useful for creating a hard-copy trail of system security violations.

2. To read all records from the audit device that have audit events in the authentication class, format them, and display them on the system console. Include the following in the **/etc/security/audit/streamcmds** file:

```
/usr/sbin/auditstream -c authentication | \  
/usr/sbin/auditpr -t0 -v > /dev/console
```

This command allows timely auditing of user authentication events.

Files

Item	Description
/etc/security/audit/streamcmds	Specifies the path to the file.
/etc/security/audit/config	Contains audit system configuration information.
/etc/security/audit/events	Contains the audit events of the system.
/etc/security/audit/objects	Contains audit events for audited objects (files).
/etc/security/audit/bincmds	Contains auditbin backend commands.

Related information

[audit command](#)

[Setting Up Auditing](#)

[Auditing overview](#)

sysck.cfg File

Purpose

Contains file definitions for the trusted computing base.

Description

Note: The **sysck** command does not update this file. It is only updated by the **tcbck** command.

The **/etc/security/sysck.cfg** file is a stanza file that contains definitions of file attributes for the trusted computing base. The name of each stanza is the pathname of a file, followed by a : (colon). Attributes are in the form *Attribute=Value*. Each attribute is ended with a new-line character, and each stanza is ended with an additional new-line character.

Each stanza can have one or more of the following attributes, and must have the **type** attribute:

Item	Description
acl	Defines the access control list of the file, including the SUID, SGID, and SVTX bits. The value is the <i>Access Control List</i> , in the format described in Access control lists in <i>Operating system and device management</i> .
class	Defines a group of files for checking, deleting, or updating. A file can be in more than one class. The value is the <i>ClassName</i> [<i>ClassName</i>]parameter.

Item	Description
checksum	Defines the checksum, as computed with the sysck checksum program. This attribute is valid only for regular files. The value is the output of the sum -r command, including spaces.
group	Defines the group name or numeric group ID, expressed as the <i>GroupName</i> or <i>GroupID</i> parameter.
links	Defines the absolute paths that have hard links to this object. The value must be an absolute pathname, expressed as the <i>Path</i> , [<i>Path ...</i>] parameter.
mode	Defines the file mode, expressed as the <i>Flag</i> , <i>Flag ...</i> , <i>PBits</i> parameters. The <i>Flag</i> parameter can contain the SUID , SGID , SVTX , and tcb mode attributes. The <i>Pbits</i> parameter contains the base file permissions, expressed either in octal form, such as 640, or symbolic form, such as rw-,r-, r-. The order of the attributes in the <i>Flag</i> parameter is not important, but base permissions must be the last entry in the list. The symbolic form may include only read (r), write (w), and execute (x) access. If the acl attribute is defined in the stanza, the SUID , SGID , and SVTX mode attributes are ignored. For a typical mode specification, see the Examples section.
owner	Defines the name or numeric ID of the file owner, expressed as the <i>OwnerName</i> or the <i>OwnerID</i> parameter.
size	Defines the size of the file in bytes. This attribute is valid only for regular files. The value is a decimal number. A VOLATILE value in the size field indicates that the size of the file will change (so no checksum value can be given).
type	The type of object. Select one of the following keywords: FILE , DIRECTORY , FIFO , BLK_DEV , CHAR_DEV , or MPX_DE .

Stanzas in this file can be created and altered with the **sysck** command. Direct alteration by other means should be avoided, since other accesses may not be supported in future releases.

Attributes that span multiple lines must be enclosed in double quotes and have new line characters entered as \n.

Since device configuration and the **sysck.cfg** database are independent and are not integrated, there is no automatic addition of **sysck.cfg** entries when a device is added. Hence, given the automatic configuration of devices at boot time, it is the responsibility of the administrator to maintain **/etc/security/sysck.cfg**. This is also true in the case of mirrored rootvg, since **/dev/ipldevice** gets relinked dynamically to the other disk when the system is rebooted off the mirrored disk.

Security

Access Control: This file should grant read (r) access to the root user and members of the security group, and write (w) access to the root user only. General users do not need read (r) access.

Examples

1. A typical stanza looks like the following example for the **/etc/passwd** file:

```
/etc/passwd:
type = file
owner = root
group = passwd
mode = TCB,640
```

2. A typical mode specification looks like the following example for a program that is part of the trusted computing base, that is a trusted process, and that has the **setuid** attribute enabled:

```
mode = SUID,TP,TCB,IWxr-X--
```

OR

```
mode = SUID,TP,TCB,750
```

Files

Item	Description
/etc/security/sysck.cfg	Specifies the path to the system configuration data base.

Related information

[grpck command](#)

[pwdck command](#)

[Access control lists](#)

syslog.conf File

Purpose

Controls output of the syslogd daemon.

Description

Each line must consist of two parts:

1. A selector to determine the message priorities to which the line applies.
2. An action. Each line can contain an optional part.
3. Rotation.

The fields must be separated by one or more tabs or spaces.

Format

msg_src_list destination [rotate [size *sizek*|m] [files *files*] [time *timeh*|d|w|m|y] [compress] [archive *archive*]]

where *msg_src_list* is a semicolon separated list of *facility.priority* where:

facility

all (except mark)

mark - time marks kern,user,mail,daemon, auth,....

priority

is one of (from high to low):

emerg/panic,alert,crit,err(or),warn(ing),notice,info,debug (meaning all messages of this priority or higher)

destination

is:

/filename - log to this file username [,username2...] - write to user(s)

@hostname - send to syslogd on this machine

* - send to all logged in users

centralizedlog LogSpaceName/LogStreamName - send to the specified PowerHA pureScale® logstream

[rotate [size *sizek*|m] [files *files*] [time *timeh*|d|w|m|y] [compress] [archive *archive*]] is:

If *destination* is a regular file and the word *rotate* is specified, then the *destination* is limited by either *size* or *time*, or both. The *size* value causes the *destination* to be limited to *size*, with *files* files kept in the rotation. The backup filenames are created by appending a period and a number to *destination*, starting

with .0. The *time* value causes the *destination* to be rotated after *time*. If both *time* and *size* are specified, then logfiles will be rotated once the logfile size exceeds *size* or the after *time*, whichever is earlier.

If the compress option is specified then the logfile names will be generated with a .Z extension. The files keyword will be applicable to the logfiles which are currently under rotation. For example, if we specify the compress option, then only file with .Z extension will be under rotation and the number of such files will be limited by *files* files. Any logfiles with an extension other than .Z will not be under the rotation scheme and thus will not be under the restriction of *files* files. Similarly if the compress option is removed then the files which have been generated with .Z extension will no longer be the part of rotation scheme and will not be limited by the *files* files.

The minimum size that can be specified is 10k. The minimum number of files that can be specified is 2. The default size is 1MB and the default for *files* is unlimited. Therefore, if only rotate is specified, the log will be rotated with *size* = 1m. The compress option means that rotated log files that are not in use will be compressed. The archive option will save rotated log files that are not in use to *archive*.

The default is not to rotate log files.

[perm [*mode*]] is:

If destination is a regular file, and the word *perm* is specified it means that rotated files is having the permission specified by mode.

[Filter [*filename*]] is:

If the destination is a regular file, and word *filter* is specified it means that the messages coming from the remote machine is logged on to the file specified with this keyword. The default is not to filter the remote messages and not to set the permissions on rotate log files.

Requirement: The letter indicating the unit must immediately follow the number in the syntax. For example, to specify the log rotation of every two days, the phrase `time 2d` is correct, but `time 2 d` is not.

Note: To use a PowerHA pureScale logstream destination, the PowerHA pureScale client fileset must be installed on the system and bindings information for the service named "CentralizedLogService" must be setup. The log space and log stream objects specified as the PowerHA pureScale logstream destination must exist.

Note: It is recommended not to use same destination file in multiple entries when using file rotation. The following example shows bad configuration, which should be avoided.

```
user.debug          /var/log/syslog.out      rotate size 100k files 4
user.notice         /var/log/syslog.out      rotate size 200k files 16
```

The proper configuration for the above case follows:

```
user.debug          /var/log/syslog.debug.out  rotate size 100k files 4
user.notice         /var/log/syslog.notice.out rotate size 200k files 16
```

Example

```
"mail messages, at debug or higher, go to Log file. File must exist."
"all facilities, at debug and higher, go to console"
"all facilities, at crit or higher, go to all users"
"user messages, at warning or higher, go to logstream"
mail.debug          /usr/spool/mqueue/syslog
*.info              /dev/console
*.crit              *
user.warn           centralizedlog      CentralizedRAS/SyslogUserWarning
```

-or otherwise can have something like:

```
*.debug             /var/log/syslog.debug100k.out rotate size 100k files 4
*.crit              /var/log/syslog.dailycrit.out rotate time 1d
```

Files

Item	Description
<code>/etc/syslog.conf</code>	Controls the output of syslogd .

Related information

[syslogd subroutine](#)

targets File

Purpose

Defines iSCSI targets that will be accessed by the iSCSI software initiator.

Description

The `iSCSI targets` file defines the name and location of the iSCSI targets that the iSCSI software initiator will attempt to access. This file is read any time the iSCSI software initiator driver is loaded.

Any line in this file that begins with `"#"` will be treated as a comment line and ignored. Other non-blank lines will define a target that the iSCSI software initiator will access. The `"\"` character may be used between fields as a line continuation character in order to make the file more readable.

The shipped version of this file contains comments that precisely define the format of the file. However, there are no default target names; the shipped file contains only comments. In order to use the iSCSI software initiator, the user must add target definitions to the file and then reload the iSCSI driver by running `cfgmgr` or by rebooting the system.

Each target is defined by three or four fields, as follows:

```
HostNameOrAddress PortNumber iSCSIName
```

or

```
HostNameOrAddress PortNumber iSCSIName CHAPSecret
```

or

```
HostNameOrAddress PortNumber iSCSIName CHAPSecret CHAPName
```

The fields that define the target are:

HostNameOrAddress

This is the TCP/IP location of the target. The location may be specified by a TCP/IP address in dotted-decimal form, or by a host name which can be resolved to a valid TCP/IP address. The format for the IP Address is taken from RFC2373.

PortNumber

The TCP/IP port number on which the iSCSI target is listening. The standard port number for iSCSI is 3260, but some targets may allow customizing the port number, so this field must be specified.

iSCSIName

The iSCSI name of the target. This name must match the name defined to the target. Note that the iSCSI name will be converted to contain all lower case characters, in accordance with the iSCSI standards.

CHAPSecret

This optional field specifies the secret to be used by this initiator if CHAP authentication is required. The secret is a text string enclosed in double-quote characters. If this field is included in the target line, the iSCSI software initiator will offer CHAP authentication to the target, and if the target requests such authentication, this value will be used as the secret during the authentication process. If the

CHAPSecret field is not included in the target definition, the initiator will attempt to log in to the target without any authentication.

CHAPName

This field represents the CHAP user name during CHAP authentication. The CHAPName field might be included only if the CHAPSecret field is present. If the CHAPName field is not specified, the iSCSI initiator uses the local iSCSI Qualified Name as the CHAP name. The local iSCSI Qualified Name is the value of the **initiator_name** attribute of the iscsi0 device.

Examples

1. iSCSI Target without CHAP(MD5) authentication - Assume the target is at address 192.168.3.2 and the valid port is 5003. The name of the target is iqn.com.ibm-4125-23wwt26. The target line would look like the following:

```
192.168.3.2 5003 iqn.com.ibm-4125-23wwt26
```

2. iSCSI Target with CHAP(MD5) authentication - Assume the target is at address 10.2.1.105 and the valid port is 3260. The name of the target is iqn.com.ibm-k167-42.fc1a and the CHAPSecret is "This is my password." The target line would look like the following:

```
10.2.1.105 3260 iqn.com.ibm-k167-42.fc1a "This is my password."
```

3. iSCSI Target with CHAP(MD5) authentication and line continuation - Assume the target is at address iscsi.fake.com and the valid port is 3260. The name of the target is iqn.2003-01.com.ibm:00.fcd0ab21.shark128 and the CHAPSecret is "123ismysecretpassword.fc1b". The target line would look like the following:

```
iscsi.fake.com 3260 iqn.2003-01.com.ibm:00.fcd0ab21.shark128 \  
"123ismysecretpassword.fc1b"
```

4. iSCSI Target with CHAP(MD5) authentication, line continuation, and CHAP Name - Assume the target is at address iscsi.fake.com and the valid port is 3260. The name of the target is iqn.2003-01.com.ibm:00.fcd0ab21.shark128, the CHAPSecret is "123ismysecretpassword.fc1b", and the CHAPName is "456ismyname". The target line is similar to the following example:

```
iscsi.fake.com 3260 iqn.2003-01.com.ibm:00.fcd0ab21.shark128 \  
"123ismysecretpassword.fc1b" 456ismyname
```

Files

Item	Description
/etc/iscsi/targets	The iSCSI targets file.

Temporary (TM.*) Files for BNU

Purpose

Store data files during transfers to remote systems.

Description

The Basic Networking Utilities (BNU) temporary (**TM.***) files store data files during transfers to remote systems.

After a data (D.*) file is transferred to a remote system by the **uucico** daemon, the BNU program places the file in a subdirectory of the BNU spooling directory named **/var/spool/uucp/SystemName**. The *SystemName* directory is named for the computer transmitting the file. The BNU program creates a temporary data file to hold the original data file.

The full path name of the temporary data file is a form of the following:

/var/spool/uucp/*SystemName*/TM.xxPID.000

where the *SystemName* directory is named for the computer sending the file, and **TM.xxPID.000** is the name of the file; for example, TM.00451.000. The *PID* variable is the process ID of the job.

The **uucico** daemon normally deletes all temporary files when they are no longer needed. However, temporary files can also be removed using the **uucleanup** command with the **-T** flag.

Files

Item	Description
<u>/etc/uucp/Systems</u> file	Describes accessible remote systems.
<u>/var/spool/uucp/<i>SystemName</i></u> directory	Contains BNU command, data, and execute files.
<u>/var/spool/uucppublic/*</u> directories	Contain files that BNU has transferred.
<u>/var/spool/uucp/<i>SystemName</i>/D.*</u> files	Contain data to be transferred.

Related information

[uucp command](#)

[BNU maintenance commands](#)

Workload Manager .times File

Purpose

Defines time ranges for configurations in a configuration set.

Description

Time ranges will appear in the configuration set files. These files are attribute files where the stanzas are the configuration names, and the only attribute is the time range. No default record is allowed (useless and confusing). A missing time range attribute stands for the default time range, which means always outside the other defined time ranges if any.

Time Coherency Checks

It is mandatory that the time ranges do not overlap within a single file. In doing so, it would not be possible to find which is the right config to use. The union of all time ranges must cover all times. The default time range will help for ensuring this.

Note: It might not be possible to make changes to a correct file that result in another correct file without having intermediate incorrect file contents from this coherency point of view, due to commands or SMIT making one change at a time. For this reason, the content of the file is copied to **.running** at Workload Manager explicit update time.

Syntax

This syntax applies to configuration set files and to **confsetcntrl** command, wherever a time range is given. A time range is specified as a range of days with 0 representing Sunday and 6 representing Saturday, and in 24 hour format, with hours and minutes specified. A default time range, which will include all time ranges not otherwise specified, is indicated by a single minus sign (-).

Specification:

```
<time-range>: -  
<time-range>: <weekday-range>, <time-of-the-day-range>  
<time-range>: <weekday-range>
```

```

<time-range>: <time-of-the-day-range>
<weekday-range>: <weekday>-<weekday>
<weekday-range>: <weekday>
<weekday>: 0 through 6 for Sunday through Saturday
<time-of-the-day-range>: <time-of-the-day>-<time-of-the-day>
<time-of-the-day>: <hour>.<minute>
<hour>: 0 through 23
<minute>: 0 through 59

```

Note:

1. A colon is accepted to separate hours and minutes instead of dot, provided that the field is quoted (colon has a special meaning in attributes file format).
2. Value 24 is correct for ending <hour> if <minute> is null.
3. For convenience and for command parameters only, <weekday> may be specified with the name or the abbreviation of the day of the week as they appear in the output of **locale day** or **locale abday** commands, taking into account the current user locale (LC_TIME). This is not appropriate for attribute files which do not have a defined locale.

Example

```

conf1:      time = -
conf2:      time = "1-5,8:00-17:00"
conf2:      time = "6-0,14:00-17:00"
conf3:      time = "22:00-6:00"

```

Files

Item	Description
\$HOME/.time	Specifies the complete path name of the .time file.

unix.map File

Purpose

Defines the operating system identity used for service provider applications on the node by the UNIX host-based authentication (HBA) security mechanism.

Description

Applications that use the cluster security services library must obtain an identity from the security mechanisms supported by the library. These identities are specific to the individual security mechanisms supported by cluster security services. Because cluster security services supports multiple security mechanisms and multiple applications, the cluster security services library must be informed of which identity to use for an application when interacting with a specific security mechanism on its behalf.

The default security mechanism used by the cluster security services library is the HBA mechanism. The `unix.map` file defines the identities used by the core cluster applications when interacting with the HBA mechanism. The cluster security services library expects to locate this file in `/var/ct/cfg/unix.map` (preferred) or `/opt/rsct/cfg/unix.map` (default).

This file is ASCII-text formatted, and can be modified with a standard text editor. However, this file should not be modified unless the administrator is instructed to do so by the cluster software service provider. If this configuration file is to be modified, the default `/opt/rsct/cfg/unix.map` file should not be modified directly. Instead, the file should be copied to `/var/ct/cfg/unix.map`, and modifications should be made to this copy. The default configuration file should never be modified.

All entries within this file use the following format:

```
SERVICE:service_name:user_name_running_the_service
```

Attribute Definition

SERVICE

Required keyword

service_name

Specifies the name commonly used to refer to the application. For example, this could be the name used by the system resource controller to refer to this application.

user_name_running_the_service

Specifies the operating system user identity used to execute the application process. It is the owner identity that would be seen for the application process in the `ps` command output.

Security

- The default identity mapping definition file `/opt/rsct/cfg/ctsec_map.global` is readable by all system users, but permissions prevent this file from being modified by any system user.
- When creating the override identity mapping definition files `/var/ct/cfg/ctsec_map.global` and `/var/ct/cfg/ctsec_map.local`, make sure that the files can be read by any system user, but that they can only be modified by the root user or other restrictive user identity not granted to normal system users.
- By default, these files reside in locally-mounted file systems. While it is possible to mount the `/var/ct/cfg` directory on a networked file system, this practice is discouraged. If the `/var/ct/cfg/ctsec_map.local` file were to reside in a networked file system, any node with access to that networked directory would assume that these definitions were specific to that node alone when in reality they would be shared.

Restrictions

This file should not be modified unless the administrator is instructed to do so by the cluster software service provider. Incorrect modification of this file will result in authentication failures for the applications listed in this file and possibly their client applications. If this configuration file is to be modified, the default `/opt/rsct/cfg/unix.map` file should not be modified directly. Instead, the file should be copied to `/var/ct/cfg/unix.map`, and modifications should be made to this copy. The default configuration file should never be modified.

Examples

This example shows the default contents of the configuration file:

```
SERVICE:ctrmc:root
SERVICE:rmc:root
SERVICE:ctloadl:loadl
SERVICE:ctdpcl:root
SERVICE:ctpmd:root
```

Location

/var/ct/cfg/unix.map

Contains the `unix.map` file

Files

/opt/rsct/cfg/unix.map

Default location of the **unix.map** file

updaters File for NIS

Purpose

Updates NIS maps.

Description

The **/var/yp/updaters** file is a makefile used for updating NIS maps. NIS maps can only be updated in a secure network; that is, one that has a **publickey** file. Each entry in the file is a make target for a particular NIS map. For example, if there is an NIS map named `passwd.byname` that can be updated, there should be a make target named `passwd.byname` in the **updaters** file with the command to update the file.

The information necessary to make the update is passed to the **update** command through standard input. All items are followed by a new line except for actual bytes of key and actual bytes of data. The information passed is described below:

- Network name of client wishing to make the update (a string)
- Kind of update (an integer)
- Number of bytes in key (an integer)
- Actual bytes of key
- Number of bytes in data (an integer)
- Actual bytes of data

After getting this information through standard input, the command to update the map determines whether the user is allowed to make the change. If the user is not allowed, the **update** command exits with the `YPERR_ACCESS` status. If the user is allowed to make the change, the command should make the change and exit with a status of 0. If any errors exist that may prevent the **updaters** file from making the change, the command should exit with the status that matches a valid NIS error code described in the **rpcsvc/ypclnt.h** file.

Related reference

[publickey File for NIS](#)

Related information

[update command](#)

[Network File System \(NFS\) Overview for System Management](#)

user File

Purpose

Contains extended user attributes.

Description

The **/etc/security/user** file contains extended user attributes. This is an ASCII file that contains attribute stanzas for users. The **mkuser** command creates a stanza in this file for each new user and initializes its attributes with the default attributes defined in the **/usr/lib/security/mkuser.default** file.

Each stanza in the **/etc/security/user** file is identified by a user name, followed by a **:** (colon), and contains attributes in the form *Attribute=Value*. Each attribute value pair is ended by a new-line character, and each stanza is ended by an additional new-line character. For an example of a stanza, see the [Examples](#) section.

The file supports a default stanza. If an attribute is not defined for a user, the default value for the attribute is used.

Attributes

If you have the proper authority, you can set the following user attributes:

Item	Description
account_locked	<p>Indicates if the user account is locked. Possible values include:</p> <p>true</p> <p>The user's account is locked. The values <code>yes</code>, <code>true</code>, and <code>always</code> are equivalent. The user is denied access to the system.</p> <p>false</p> <p>The user's account is not locked. The values <code>no</code>, <code>false</code>, and <code>never</code> are equivalent. The user is allowed access to the system. This is the default value.</p>
admin	<p>Defines the administrative status of the user. Possible values are:</p> <p>true</p> <p>The user is an administrator. Only the root user can change the attributes of users defined as administrators.</p> <p>false</p> <p>The user is not an administrator. This is the default value.</p>
admgroups	<p>Lists the groups the user administrates. The <i>Value</i> parameter is a comma-separated list of group names. For additional information on group names, see the <code>adms</code> attribute of the /etc/security/group file.</p>
auditclasses	<p>Lists the user's audit classes. The <i>Value</i> parameter is a list of comma-separated classes, or a value of <code>ALL</code> to indicate all audit classes.</p>
auth1	<p>Lists additional mandatory methods for authenticating the user. The auth1 attribute has been deprecated and may not be supported in a future release. The SYSTEM attribute should be used instead. The authentication process will fail if any of the methods specified by the auth1 attribute fail.</p> <p>The <i>Value</i> parameter is a comma-separated list of <i>Method;Name</i> pairs. The <i>Method</i> parameter is the name of the authentication method. The <i>Name</i> parameter is the user to authenticate. If you do not specify a <i>Name</i> parameter, the name of the user being authenticated is used.</p> <p>Valid authentication methods for the auth1 and auth2 attributes are defined in the <code>/etc/security/login.cfg</code> file.</p>
auth2	<p>Lists additional optional methods for authenticating the user. The auth2 attribute has been deprecated and may not be supported in a future release. The SYSTEM attribute should be used instead. The authentication process will not fail if any of the methods specified by the auth2 attribute fail.</p> <p>The <i>Value</i> parameter is a comma-separated list of <i>Method;Name</i> pairs. The <i>Method</i> parameter is the name of the authentication method. The <i>Name</i> parameter is the user to authenticate. If you do not specify a <i>Name</i> parameter, the name of the user being authenticated is used.</p>
core_compress	<p>Enables or disables core file compression. Valid values for this attribute are <code>On</code> and <code>Off</code>. If this attribute has a value of <code>On</code>, compression is enabled; otherwise, compression is disabled. The default value of this attribute is <code>Off</code>.</p>

Item	Description
core_path	Enables or disables core file path specification. Valid values for this attribute are On and Off. If this attribute has a value of On, core files will be placed in the directory specified by core_pathname (the feature is enabled); otherwise, core files are placed in the user's current working directory. The default value of this attribute is Off.
core_pathname	Specifies a location to be used to place core files, if the core_path attribute is set to On. If this is not set and core_path is set to On, core files will be placed in the user's current working directory. This attribute is limited to 256 characters.
<i>core_naming</i>	Selects a choice of core file naming strategies. Valid values for this attribute are On and Off. A value of On enables core file naming in the form <i>core.pid.time</i> , which is the same as what the CORE_NAMING environment variable does. A value of Off uses the default name of core .
daemon	Indicates whether the user specified by the <i>Name</i> parameter can execute programs using the cron daemon or the src (system resource controller) daemon. Possible values are: <p>true The user can initiate cron and src sessions. This is the default.</p> <p>false The user cannot initiate cron and src sessions.</p>
dce_export	Allows the DCE registry to overwrite the local user information with the DCE user information during a DCE export operation. Possible values are: <p>true Local user information will be overwritten.</p> <p>false Local user information will not be overwritten.</p>

Item	Description
dictionlist	<p>Defines the password dictionaries used by the composition restrictions when checking new passwords.</p> <p>The password dictionaries are a list of comma-separated, absolute path names that are evaluated from left to right. All dictionary files and directories must be write-protected from all users except root. The dictionary files are formatted one word per line. The word begins in the first column and terminates with a new-line character. Only 7-bit ASCII words are supported for passwords. If text processing is installed on your system, the recommended dictionary file is the /usr/share/dict/words file. User name can be disallowed in the password by adding an entry with the key word '\$USER' in the dictionary files. This key word, '\$USER' cannot be part of any word or pattern of the entries in dictionary files. A regular expression can also be disallowed in the password, if mentioned in the dictionary file. To differentiate, between a word and a pattern in the dictionary file. A pattern will be indicated with '*' as first character. For example, if administrator wants to disallow any password ending with "123", then he/she can mention in the dictionary file the following entry :</p> <pre>*.*123</pre> <p>First "*" will be used to indicate a pattern entry and remaining part will be the pattern that is, "*.123". If text processing is installed on your system, the recommended dictionary file is the /usr/share/dict/words file.</p>
minloweralpha	<p>Defines the minimum number of lower case alphabetic characters that must be in a new password. The value is a decimal integer string. The default is a value of 0, indicating no minimum number. Range: 0 to PW_PASSLEN.</p>
minupperalpha	<p>Defines the minimum number of upper case alphabetic characters that must be in a new password. The value is a decimal integer string. The default is a value of 0, indicating no minimum number. Range: 0 to PW_PASSLEN.</p>
mindigit	<p>Defines the minimum number of digits that must be in a new password. The value is a decimal integer string. The default is a value of 0, indicating no minimum number. Range: 0 to PW_PASSLEN.</p>
minspecialchar	<p>Defines the minimum number of special characters that must be in a new password. The value is a decimal integer string. The default is a value of 0, indicating no minimum number. Range: 0 to PW_PASSLEN.</p>
efs_adminks_access	<p>Defines the efs_admin keystore location. Only one value is possible:</p> <p>file</p> <p>Keystore is stored in the /var/efs/efs_admin/ file.</p> <p>Note: This attribute is valid only if the system is EFS-enabled.</p>

Item	Description
efs_allowksmodechangebyuser	<p>Defines whether the user can change the mode or not. The following values are possible:</p> <p>yes The user can change the keystore mode (using the efskeymgr command).</p> <p>no The user cannot change the keystore mode (using the efskeymgr command).</p> <p>Note: This attribute is valid only if the system is EFS-enabled.</p>
efs_file_algo	<p>Defines the algorithm that is used to generate the file protection key. The following values are possible:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AES_128_CBC • AES_192_CBC • AES_256_CBC <p>Note: This attribute is valid only if the system is EFS-enabled.</p>
efs_initialks_mode	<p>Defines the initial mode of the user keystore. The following values are possible:</p> <p>guard When a keystore is in root guard mode, the keys that are contained in this keystore cannot be retrieved without the correct password of this keystore.</p> <p>admin When a keystore is in root admin mode, the keys that are contained in this keystore can be retrieved with the EFS (Encrypted File System) admin key.</p> <p>Notes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This attribute is valid only if the system is EFS-enabled. • This is the initial mode of the keystore. Changing this value using the chuser command, the chgroup command, or the chsec command, or with manual editing, does not change the mode of the keystore. Use this attribute only when you are creating the keystore and do not use it again until the keystore is deleted and a new one is created. To change the keystore mode, use the efskeymgr command.
efs_keystore_access	<p>Defines the user keystore location. The following values are possible:</p> <p>none There is no keystore.</p> <p>file Keystore is stored in the /var/efs/users/ directory.</p> <p>Note: This attribute is valid only if the system is EFS-enabled.</p>

Item	Description
efs_keystore_algo	<p>Defines the algorithm that is used to generate the user private key when the keystore is created. The following values are possible:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RSA_1024 • RSA_2048 • RSA_4096 <p>Notes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This attribute is valid only if the system is EFS-enabled. • Changing the value of this attribute using the chuser command, the chgroup command, or the chsec command, or with manual editing, does not regenerate the private key. Use this attribute only when you are creating the keystore and do not use it again until the keystore is deleted and a new one is created. To change the algorithm for the keys, use the efskeymgr command.
expires	<p>Identifies the expiration date of the account. The <i>Value</i> parameter is a 10-character string in the <i>MMDDhhmmyy</i> form, where <i>MM</i> = month, <i>DD</i> = day, <i>hh</i> = hour, <i>mm</i> = minute, and <i>yy</i> = last 2 digits of the years 1939 through 2038. All characters are numeric. If the <i>Value</i> parameter is 0, the account does not expire. The default is 0. See the date command for more information.</p>
histexpire	<p>Designates the period of time (in weeks) that a user cannot reuse a password. The value is a decimal integer string. The default is 0, indicating that no time limit is set.</p>
histsize	<p>Designates the number of previous passwords a user cannot reuse. The value is a decimal integer string. The default is 0.</p>
login	<p>Indicates whether the user can log in to the system with the login command. Possible values are:</p> <p>true The user can log in to the system. This is the default.</p> <p>false The user cannot log in to the system.</p>

Item

logintimes

Description

Specifies the times, days, or both, the user is allowed to access the system. The value is a comma-separated list of entries of the following form:

```
[!]:time-time  
-or-  
[!]day[-day][:time-time]  
-or-  
[!]date[-date][:time-time]
```

The *day* variable must be one digit between 0 and 6 that represents one of the days of the week. A 0 (zero) indicates Sunday and a 6 indicates Saturday.

The *time* variable is 24-hour military time (1700 is 5:00 p.m.). Leading zeroes are required. For example, you must enter 0800, not 800. The *time* variable must be four characters in length, and there must be a leading colon (:). An entry consisting of only a time specification applies to every day. The start hour of a time value must be less than the end hour.

The *date* variable is a four digit string in the form *mmdd*. *mm* represents the calendar month and *dd* represents the day number. For example 0001 represents January 1. *dd* may be 00 to indicate the entire month, if the entry is not a range, or indicating the first or last day of the month depending on whether it appears as part of the start or end of a range. For example, 0000 indicates the entire month of January. 0600 indicates the entire month of June. 0311-0500 indicates April 11 through the last day of June.

Entries in this list specify times that a user is allowed or denied access to the system. Entries not preceded by an ! (exclamation point) allow access and are called ALLOW entries. Entries prefixed with an ! (exclamation point) deny access to the system and are called DENY entries. The ! operator applies to only one entry, not the whole restriction list. It must appear at the beginning of each entry.

loginretries

Defines the number of unsuccessful login attempts allowed after the last successful login before the system locks the account. The value is a decimal integer string. A zero or negative value indicates that no limit exists. Once the user's account is locked, the user will not be able to log in until the system administrator resets the user's unsuccessful_login_count attribute in the **/etc/security/lastlog** file to be less than the value of **loginretries**. To do this, enter the following:

```
chsec -f /etc/security/lastlog -s username -a \  
unsuccessful_login_count=0
```

maxage

Defines the maximum age (in weeks) of a password. The password must be changed by this time. The value is a decimal integer string. The default is a value of 0, indicating no maximum age.

maxexpired

Defines the maximum time (in weeks) beyond the **maxage** value that a user can change an expired password. After this defined time, only an administrative user can change the password. The value is a decimal integer string. The default is -1, indicating no restriction is set. If the **maxexpired** attribute is 0, the password expires when the **maxage** value is met. If the **maxage** attribute is 0, the **maxexpired** attribute is ignored.

Item	Description
maxrepeats	Defines the maximum number of times a character can be repeated in a new password. Since a value of 0 is meaningless, the default value of 8 indicates that there is no maximum number. The value is a decimal integer string.
minage	Defines the minimum age (in weeks) a password must be before it can be changed. The value is a decimal integer string. The default is a value of 0, indicating no minimum age.
minalpha	Defines the minimum number of alphabetic characters that must be in a new password. The value is a decimal integer string. The default is a value of 0, indicating no minimum number.
mindiff	Defines the minimum number of characters required in a new password that were not in the old password. The value is a decimal integer string. The default is a value of 0, indicating no minimum number.
minlen	<p>Defines the minimum length of a password. The value is a decimal integer string. The default is a value of 0, indicates no minimum length. The maximum value allowed is PW_PASSLEN attribute. This attribute is determined by the minalpha attribute value added to the minother attribute value. If the sum of these values is greater than the minlen attribute value, the minimum length is set to the result.</p> <p>Note: The PW_PASSLEN attribute is defined in /usr/include/userpw.h. The value of the PW_PASSLEN attribute is determined by the system-wide password algorithm that is defined in /etc/security/login.cfg.</p> <p>The minimum length of a password is determined by the minlen attribute and should never be greater than the PW_PASSLEN attribute. If the minalpha attribute + minother attribute is greater than the PW_PASSLEN attribute, then the minother attribute is reduced to PW_PASSLEN attribute - minalpha attribute.</p>
minother	Defines the minimum number of non-alphabetic characters that must be in a new password. The value is a decimal integer string. The default is a value of 0, indicating no minimum number.
projects	Defines the list of projects that the user's processes can be assigned to. The value is a list of comma-separated project names and is evaluated from left to right. The project name should be a valid project name as defined in the system. If an invalid project name is found on the list, it will be reported as an error by the user command.
pwdchecks	Defines the password restriction methods enforced on new passwords. The value is a list of comma-separated method names and is evaluated from left to right. A method name is either an absolute path name or a path name relative to /usr/lib of an executable load module.
pwdwarntime	Defines the number of days before the system issues a warning that a password change is required. The value is a decimal integer string. A zero or negative value indicates that no message is issued. The value must be less than the difference of the maxage and minage attributes. Values greater than this difference are ignored, and a message is issued when the minage value is reached.
registry	Defines the authentication registry where the user is administered. It is used to resolve a remotely administered user to the local administered domain. This situation may occur when network services unexpectedly fail or network databases are replicated locally. Example values are files or NIS or DCE .

Item	Description
rlogin	<p>Permits access to the account from a remote location with the telnet or rlogin commands. Possible values are:</p> <p>true The user account can be accessed remotely. This is the default rlogin value.</p> <p>false The user account cannot be accessed remotely.</p>
su	<p>Indicates whether another user can switch to the specified user account with the su command. Possible values are:</p> <p>true Another user can switch to the specified account. This is the default.</p> <p>false Another user cannot switch to the specified account.</p>
sugroups	<p>Lists the groups that can use the su command to switch to the specified user account. The <i>Value</i> parameter is a comma-separated list of group names, or a value of ALL to indicate all groups. An ! (exclamation point) in front of a group name excludes that group. If this attribute is not specified, all groups can switch to this user account with the su command.</p>
SYSTEM	<p>Defines the system authentication mechanism for the user. The value may be an expression describing which authentication methods are to be used or it may be the keyword NONE.</p> <p>The SYSTEM mechanism is always used to authenticate the user, regardless of the value of the auth1 and auth2 attributes. If the SYSTEM attribute is set to NONE, authentication is only performed using the auth1 and auth2 attributes. If the auth1 and auth2 attributes are blank or ignored, as with the TCP socket daemons (ftpd, rexecd and rshd), no authentication will be performed.</p> <p>The method names compat, files and NIS are provided by the security library. Additional methods may be defined in the file /usr/lib/security/methods.cfg.</p>

Specify the value for **SYSTEM** using the following grammar:

```

"SYSTEM"      ::= EXPRESSION
EXPRESSION    ::= PRIMITIVE |
                "(" EXPRESSION ")" |
                EXPRESSION OPERATOR EXPRESSION
PRIMITIVE     ::= METHOD |
                METHOD "[" RESULT "]"
RESULT        ::= "SUCCESS" | "FAILURE" | "NOTFOUND" |
                "UNAVAIL" | "*"
OPERATOR      ::= "AND" | "OR"
METHOD        ::= "compat" | "files" | "NONE" |
                [a-z,A-Z,0-9]*

```

An example of the syntax is:

```

SYSTEM = "DCE OR DCE[UNAVAIL] AND
compat"

```

Item	Description
tpath	<p>Indicates the user's trusted path status. The possible values are:</p> <p>always The user can only execute trusted processes. This implies that the user's initial program is in the trusted shell or some other trusted process.</p> <p>notsh The user cannot invoke the trusted shell on a trusted path. If the user enters the secure attention key (SAK) after logging in, the login session ends.</p> <p>nosak The secure attention key (SAK) is disabled for all processes run by the user. Use this value if the user transfers binary data that may contain the SAK sequence. This is the default value.</p> <p>on The user has normal trusted path characteristics and can invoke a trusted path (enter a trusted shell) with the secure attention key (SAK).</p>
ttys	Lists the terminals that can access the account specified by the <i>Name</i> parameter. The <i>Value</i> parameter is a comma-separated list of full path names, or a value of ALL to indicate all terminals. The values of RSH and REXEC also can be used as terminal names. An ! (exclamation point) in front of a terminal name excludes that terminal. If this attribute is not specified, all terminals can access the user account. If the <i>Value</i> parameter is not ALL, then /dev/pts must be specified for network logins to work.
umask	Determines file permissions. This value, along with the permissions of the creating process, determines a file's permissions when the file is created. The default is 022.

The following attributes are valid only in the Trusted AIX system. See Trusted AIX in *Security* for more information. Valid values for each attribute are defined in the **/etc/security/enc/LabelEncodings** file for the system. Values must be defined in quotation marks (" ") if they have white spaces.

Item	Description
minsl	<p>Defines the minimum sensitivity clearance level (SCL).</p> <p>Note: The defsl value for the user dominates the minsl value.</p>
maxsl	<p>Defines the maximum SCL.</p> <p>Note: The maxsl value dominates the defsl value for the user.</p>
defsl	<p>Defines the default sensitivity level that the user is assigned during login.</p> <p>Note: The defsl value dominates the minsl value and is dominated by the maxsl value.</p>
mintl	<p>Defines the minimum integrity clearance level.</p> <p>Note: The deftl value for the user dominates the mintl value.</p>
maxtl	<p>Defines the maximum integrity clearance level.</p> <p>Note: The maxtl value dominates the deftl value for the user.</p>

Item	Description
deftl	Defines the default integrity clearance level that the user is assigned during login. Note: The deftl value dominates the mintl value and is dominated by the maxtl value.

Changing the user File

You should access this file through the commands and subroutines defined for this purpose. You can use the following commands to change the **user** file:

- **chuser**
- **lsuser**
- **mkuser**
- **rmuser**

The **mkuser** command creates an entry for each new user in the **/etc/security/user** file and initializes its attributes with the attributes defined in the **/usr/lib/security/mkuser.default** file. To change attribute values, use the **chuser** command. To display the attributes and their values, use the **lsuser** command. To remove a user, use the **rmuser** command.

To write programs that affect attributes in the **/etc/security/user** file, use the subroutines listed in the related information section.

Security

Access Control

This file should grant read (r) access only to the root user and members of the security group. Access for other users and groups depends upon the security policy for the system. Only the root user should have write (w) access.

Auditing Events

Event	Information
S_USER_WRITE	file name

Examples

1. A typical stanza looks like the following example for user dhs:

```
dhs:
  login = true
  rlogin = false
  ttys = /dev/console
  sugroups = security,!staff
  expires = 0531010090
  tpath = on
  admin = true
  auth1 = SYSTEM,METH2;dhs
```

2. To allow all ttys except **/dev/tty0** to access the user account, change the **ttys** entry so that it reads as follows:

```
ttys = !/dev/tty0,ALL
```

Files

Item

[/etc/group](#)

[/etc/passwd](#)

[/etc/security/audit/config](#)

[/etc/security/envIRON](#)

[/etc/security/group](#)

[/etc/security/limits](#)

[/etc/security/login.cfg](#)

[/etc/security/passwd](#)

[/usr/lib/security/mkuser.default](#)

[/etc/security/user](#)

[/etc/security/lastlog](#)

[/etc/security/enc/LabelEncodings](#)

Description

Contains the basic group attributes.

Contains the basic user attributes.

Contains audit system configuration information.

Contains the environment attributes of users.

Contains the extended attributes of groups.

Contains the process resource limits of users.

Contains configuration information for user log in and authentication.

Contains password information.

Contains default user configurations.

Contains extended user attributes.

Contains last login information.

Contains label definitions for the Trusted AIX system.

Related reference

[passwd_policy File](#)

[pwdhist File](#)

[pwdpolicy.h File](#)

Related information

[chuser command](#)

[rmuser command](#)

[Users, roles, and passwords](#)

user.roles File

Purpose

Contains the list of roles for each user.

Description

The **/etc/security/user.roles** file contains the list of roles for each user. This is an ASCII file that contains a stanza for system users. Each stanza is identified by a user name followed by a : (colon) and contains attributes in the form *Attribute=Value*. Each attribute pair ends with a newline character as does each stanza.

This file supports a default stanza. If an attribute is not defined, either the default stanza or the default value for the attribute is used.

A stanza contains the following attribute:

Item	Description
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roles	Contains the list of roles for each user.
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For a typical stanza, see the "[Examples](#)" section.

Typically, the **/etc/security/user.roles** stanza contains an entry for every user and a list of data associated with that user. The roles database does not require an entry per user. The size of each entry is one line.

The **user.roles** file is kept separately from the **/etc/security/user** file for performance reasons. Several commands scan this database, so system performance increases with smaller files to scan (especially on systems with large numbers of users).

Changing the user.roles File

You should access this file through the commands and subroutines defined for this purpose. You can use the following commands to change the **user.roles** file:

- **chuser**
- **lsuser**
- **mkuser**

The **mkuser** command creates an entry in the **/etc/security/user.roles** file for each new user when the **roles** attribute is used. To change the attribute values, use the **chuser** command with the **roles** attribute. To display the attributes and their values, use the **lsuser** command with the **roles** attribute.

To write programs that affect attributes in the **/etc/security/user.roles** file, use the subroutines listed in Related Information.

Security

Access Control: This file grants read and write access to the root user, and read access to members of the security group.

Examples

A typical stanza looks like the following example for the username role:

```
username:
    roles = role1,role2
```

Files

Item	Description
/etc/security/roles	Contains the list of valid roles.
/etc/security/user.roles	Contains the list of roles for each user.
/etc/security/smitacl.group	Contains the group ACL definitions.
/etc/security/smitacl.user	Contains the user ACL definitions.

Related information

[chuser command](#)

[lsuser command](#)

vfs File

Purpose

Describes the virtual file systems (VFS) installed on the system.

Description

The **/etc/vfs** file describes the virtual file systems installed on the system. The name, type number, and file-system helper program are among the types of information listed in the file. Commands, such as the **mount** command, the **fsck** command (file system check), and the **mkfs** command (make file system), use this information.

The **vfs** file is an ASCII file, with one record per line. The following are examples of the three types of lines in the **vfs** file:

- Comments

```
# This is a comment.  
# Comments begin with a # (pound sign).  
# Blank lines are ignored.  
# The following example only locally defines the default vfs file.
```

- General control

```
%defaultvfs jfs nfs
```

The fields for the %defaultvfs control line are:

Item	Description
%defaultvfs	Identifies the control line.
jfs	Indicates the default local virtual file system.
nfs	Indicates the remote virtual file system (optional).

- Entries

#Name	Type	Mount Helper	Fs. helper
jfs	3	none	/sbin/helpers/v3fshelper
nfs	2	/etc/nfsmnthelp	none
cdafs	5	none	none

The comments are in text for explanatory purposes. The general control lines, which are designated by a % (percent) character, configure the actions of the following commands:

- [mount](#)
- [umount](#)
- [mkfs](#)
- [fsck](#)
- [fsdb](#)
- [df](#)
- [ff](#)

For example, a line like %defaultvfs indicates the default local virtual file system is used if no VFS is specified by the **mount** command or in the **/etc/filesystems** file. The entry is the name of the VFS as indicated in the file. If a second entry is listed on the same line, it is taken to be the default remote VFS. The %defaultvfs control line may leave off the remote VFS specification.

The VFS entries take the following form:

Item	Description
name	Canonical name of this type of virtual file system.
type	Decimal representation of the virtual file system type number for the VFS.
mnt_helper	Path name of the mount helper program of this VFS. If a mount helper is not required, the entry should be displayed as none. If this path name does not begin with a slash, it is relative to the /sbin/helpers directory.

Item	Description
<code>fs_helper</code>	Path name of the file system helper program of this VFS. If a file system helper is not required, the entry should be none. If this path name does not begin with a slash, it is relative to the /sbin/helpers directory.

Files

Item	Description
<u>/etc/filesystems</u>	Lists the known file systems and defines their characteristics.

Related information

[chvfs command](#)

[lsvfs command](#)

[rmvfs command](#)

[File systems](#)

Workload Manager classes File

Purpose

Contains the definition of Workload Manager (WLM) superclasses or subclasses for a given configuration.

Description

The **classes** file in the **/etc/wlm/Config** directory describes the superclasses of the WLM configuration, *Config*. If the superclass *Super* of this configuration has subclasses defined, these subclasses are defined in the file **/etc/wlm/Config/Super/classes**.

Some attributes apply to only superclasses or to only subclasses. The description of the **classes** file uses the terms *class* or *classes* when a statement applies to both superclasses and subclasses.

The **classes** file is organized into stanzas. Each stanza names a WLM class and contains attribute-value pairs that describe characteristics of the class.

Attributes

Each stanza names a WLM class. Class names can contain only upper- and lowercase letters, numbers, and underscores. They are limited to 16 characters in length. The only names that have special meaning to the system are Default, Shared, Unclassified, Unmanaged, and System. You cannot use Unclassified and Unmanaged as class names. The superclasses Default, Shared, and System are always defined. The subclasses Default and Shared are always defined.

The following attributes are defined in the **classes** file:

Item	Description
tier	Specifies the position of the class in the hierarchy of resource limitation desirability for all classes. A class with a lower tier value will be more favored than a class with a higher tier value. The tier value is a number from 0 to 9. If this attribute is not defined, it defaults to 0.
inheritance	If the inheritance attribute is given the value Yes, the children of processes in this class remain in the class upon execution, regardless of the automatic assignment rules in effect. If this attribute is given No, the normal assignment rules apply. If not defined, the attribute defaults to No.
localshm	Indicates whether memory segments accessed by processes in different classes remain local to the class they were initially assigned to or if they go to the Shared class. The possible value is Yes or No. If not specified, the default is No.

Item	Description
authuser	Specifies the user name of the user allowed to assign processes to this class. If not defined, this attribute defaults to the empty string ("").
authgroup	Specifies the group name of the group of users allowed to assign processes to this class. If not defined, the attribute defaults to the empty string.
rset	Names the resource set to which the processes in the class have access. If the attribute is not defined, it defaults to an empty string, meaning that the class has access to all the resources on the system.
adminuser	Specifies the user name of the user allowed to administer the subclasses of this superclass. If not defined, the attribute defaults to the empty string. This attribute is valid only for superclasses.
admingroup	Specifies the group name of the group of users allowed to administer the subclasses of this superclass. (Primary group of users should match with this group name.) If this attribute is not defined, it defaults to the empty string. This attribute is valid only for superclasses.
delshm	If set to "yes", or if a killed process due to a virtual memory limit is the last process referencing a shared segment, the segment is deleted. The default is to not delete the shared segments (value set to "no").
vmenforce	When a class reaches its virtual memory limit, if vmenforce is set to "class", all of the processes classified to the faulting class are killed. If vmenforce is set to "proc" (default), then only the process that pushes the usage past the virtual memory limit is killed.

The attributes that have not been explicitly set by a WLM administrator using any of the administration tools (file editing, command line, or SMIT) are omitted in the property files.

The default values mentioned above are the system defaults and can be modified using a special stanza named "default."

Files

Item	Description
classes	Defines the superclasses or subclasses of a WLM configuration

Security

The WLM property files defining the superclasses of a WLM configuration must have write permission only for the root user. The WLM property files defining the subclasses of a superclass must have write permission for the adminuser and admingroup for the superclass.

If there is no adminuser for the superclass, the files should be owned by root. If no admingroup exists for a superclass, the WLM property files for the superclass should be group "system" with no write permission for group.

Example

1. The following entry at the beginning of the **classes** file modifies the default values for the **tier** and **inheritance** attributes so that if they are not defined for some (or all) of the classes specified in the file, the **tier** value is 1 and the **inheritance** value is Yes:

```
default:
  tier      = 1
  inheritance = "yes"
```


The scope of these user-defined default values is limited to the file where they appear. For instance, if the above default stanza appears in the top-level **classes** file of a configuration, it does not affect the default values for the **classes** files defining the subclasses of the various superclasses.

2. The following is an example of a typical `/etc/wlm/Config/classes` file:

```
* system defined classes
* All attributes to default value
* Attribute values can be specified
*
Default:
System:
Shared:
* User defined classes
*
Super1:
    inheritance    = "yes"
    adminuser      = "bob"
    authgroup      = "devlt"
Super2:
    tier            = 4
    localshm       = "yes"
    admingroup     = "sales"
    authuser       = "sally"
    rset           = "part1"
```

Note: The asterisk (*) is a comment character. Comments are added by directly editing the file. However, when you use the command line, or SMIT to create, modify, or delete classes, the comments are removed.

Related reference

[Workload Manager shares File](#)

[Workload Manager limits File](#)

Related information

[lsclass command](#)

[chclass command](#)

[rmclass command](#)

Workload Manager limits File

Purpose

Describes the minimum and maximum limits for the resources allocated to superclasses or subclasses of a WLM configuration.

Description

The **limits** file in the `/etc/wlm/Config` describes the resource limits for the superclasses of the WLM configuration *Config*. If the superclass *Super* of this configuration has subclasses defined, the resource limits for the subclasses are defined in the file `/etc/wlm/Config/Super/limits`.

The limits at the superclass level represent a percentage of the total amount of resources available on the system and the limits at the subclass level represent a percentage of the resource made available to the parent superclass. Despite this difference, the description of resource limits is relevant to both a superclass and a subclass.

The **limits** file is organized into stanzas that are named after WLM classes and contain attribute-value pairs specifying the minimum and maximum resource limit allocated to the class for the various resources. The attribute names identify the resource. For each resource, the following values must be provided:

- Minimum limit (expressed here as *m*)
- Soft maximum limit (expressed here as *SM*)
- Hard maximum limit (expressed here as *HM*)

The limits are expressed as percentages. Both the minimum and maximum limits are each a number between 0 and 100. The hard maximum must be greater than or equal to the soft maximum, which in turn must be greater than or equal to the minimum. When the limits are not specified for a class or a resource type, the system defaults to 0 for the minimum and 100 for both the soft and hard maximum.

Use the following format for defining the limit values:

```
attribute_name = m%-SM%,HM%
```

In the AIX operating system you can also specify per-process and per-class total limits. These are hard limits and can be specified in the following format:

```
attribute_name = <value> [unit]
```

The valid range of values for each attribute, as well as their default and allowed units are described in *Operating system and device management*.

Attributes

Each stanza names a WLM class that must exist in the **classes** file at the corresponding level (superclass or subclass).

The following attributes are defined in the **limits** file:

Item	Description
CPU	Represents the CPU limits for the class
memory	Represents the physical memory limits for the class
diskIO	Represents the disk I/O limits for the class
totalConnectTime	The maximum amount of time a login session in the class can stay active. This is specified as an integer with the units intended (s for seconds, m for minutes, h for hours, d for days, and w for weeks). As a user approaches this connection time limit, WLM will send warning messages. When the limit is reached, the user will be notified and the login session will be terminated.
totalCPU	The total amount of CPU time allowed for each process in the class. This is specified as an integer with the units intended (s for seconds, m for minutes, h for hours, d for days, and w for weeks).
totalDiskIO	The total amount of DiskIO allowed for each process in the class. This is specified as an integer with the units intended (KB for kilobytes, MB for megabytes, TB for terabytes, PB for petabytes, and EB for exabytes).
totalLogins	The total number of login sessions simultaneously available in the class. If a user tries to log onto the system and the login shell would end up in a class that has reached the totalLogins limit, the login operation will fail. Also, if an operation would cause a login shell to be moved into a class that has reached the totalLogins limit, the operation will also fail.
totalProcesses	The maximum number of processes allowed in the class. If an operation would result in a new process entering the class when the class has this many processes in it, the operation will fail.
totalThreads	The maximum number of threads allowed in the class. If an operation would result in a new thread entering the class when the class has this many threads in it, the operation will fail. The total thread limit must be at least as large as the total process limit for a class. If a class has a total thread limit but no total process limit specified, the total process limit will be set to the total thread limit.
classVirtMem	The maximum amount of virtual memory that a class can have at one time. This is specified as an integer with units intended (MB for megabytes, GB for gigabytes, TB for terabytes).

Item	Description
procVirtMem	The maximum amount of virtual memory that a process can have at one time. This is specified as an integer with units intended (MB for megabytes, GB for gigabytes, TB for terabytes).

The default values mentioned above are the system defaults and can be modified using a special stanza named "default."

Consider the following stanza at the beginning of the **limits** file:

```
default:
  CPU    = 10%-50%,80%
  diskIO = 20%-60%,100%
```

This stanza modifies the default values of the limits for CPU and disk I/O so that if those attributes are not specified for some (or all) of the classes, their minimum, soft maximum, and hard maximum default to the values shown above. In this example, the default values for the physical memory limits (specified by the **memory** attribute) are still the system default—the minimum 0% and the soft and hard maximum each 100%.

Classes that use only default values for all the resource types can be omitted in the file.

Security

The **limits** file defining the limits of the superclasses of a WLM configuration must have write permission for root only. The **limits** file defining the limits for the subclasses of a superclass must have write permission for the adminuser and admingroup for the superclass. If no adminuser exists for the superclass, the **limits** file should be owned by root. If no admingroup exists for a superclass, the file for the superclass should be owned by the "system" group and have no write permission for group.

Example

The following is an example of a typical **/etc/wlm/Config/limits** file:

```
* System Defined Classes
* In this example, the system administrator uses
* only default values for the System and Shared
* superclasses. The System class has a memory minimum of
* 1% by default - can be increased by system administrator
* The system administrator gives non default values
* only for the Default class:
*
System:
  memory = 1%-100%,100%
Default:
  CPU    = 0%-50%,75%
  memory = 0%-25%,50%
*
* User defined classes
*
Super1:
  CPU    = 10%-100%,100%
  memory = 20%-100%,100%
  diskIO = 0%-33%,50%
Super2:
  memory =0%-20%,50%
  diskIO =10%-66%,100%
```

Note: The asterisk (*) is a comment character.

Files

Item	Description
limits	Defines the resource entitlements for the superclasses or subclasses of a WLM configuration

Related reference

[Workload Manager classes File](#)

Related information

[rmclass command](#)

[Files](#)

Workload Manager rules File

Purpose

Defines the automatic class assignment rules for the superclasses or subclasses of a given Workload Manager (WLM) configuration.

Description

The **/etc/wlm/Config/rules** file describes the assignment rules for the superclasses of the WLM configuration *Config*. If the superclass *Super* of this configuration has subclasses defined, the assignment rules for the subclasses are defined in the file **/etc/wlm/Config/Super/rules**.

The assignment rules for the superclasses and subclasses are formatted the same.

The **rules** file is a standard text file. Each line represents an assignment rule for a specified class. Several assignment rules can exist at the same time for the same class. Each rule lists the name of a class and a list of values for some attributes of a process; these values are used as classification criteria. The various fields of a rule are separated by white spaces. For attributes that you do not define, represent them with a hyphen (-).

Note: Implicit rules exist for the default superclass and the default subclass of every superclass. These rules catch all processes that did not match any rules explicitly stated in the **rules** file. They apply to a WLM configuration regardless of whether they are explicitly stated.

Assignment Rules

Assignment rules are made of the fields described below. When present, the following fields *must* appear in the order shown below. Order is important because the values are given to the field identified by its position in the string. Only the first three fields (**class**, **reserved**, and **user**) are mandatory. The remaining fields can be omitted if their values are hyphens.

For instance, the assignment rule

```
class1 - user1
```

is the same as the following:

```
class1 - user1 - - -
```

The rule

```
class - - group1 - 32bit+fixed
```

is a valid rule equivalent to the following rule:

```
class - - group1 - 32bit+fixed -
```

But in the case of the rule `class1 - group1`, `group1` is interpreted as a user name because of its position in the string.

Item	Description
class	<p>Contains the name of a class that is defined in the class file corresponding to the level of the rules file (superclass or subclass). Class names can contain only upper- and lowercase letters, numbers, and underscores and are limited to 16 characters in length.</p> <p>No assignment rule can be specified for the system-defined classes "Unclassified," "Unmanaged," and "Shared."</p>
reserved	This field must be set to a hyphen (-)
user	<p>Contains either a hyphen or a list of valid user names (as defined in the /etc/passwd file). The list is composed of one or more names, separated by a comma (,). To exclude a user from the class, place an exclamation mark (!) before the name of that user. Use full Korn shell pattern-matching syntax to specify a wildcard pattern to match a set of user names.</p>
group	<p>Contains either a hyphen or a list of valid group names (as defined in the /etc/group file). The list is composed of one or more names, separated by a comma. To exclude a group from the class, place an exclamation mark before the name of that group. Use full Korn shell pattern-matching syntax to specify a wildcard pattern to match a set of group names.</p>
application	<p>Contains either a hyphen or a list of application path names. This is the path name of the file executed by the processes to be included in the class. The value can be either a full path name or a wildcard pattern that matches a set of path names. The list is composed of one or more path names, separated by a comma. To exclude an application from the class, place an exclamation mark before the name of that application.</p>
type	<p>Contains either a hyphen or a list of attributes for the process. The following are possible values:</p> <p>32bit Indicates that the process is 32-bit</p> <p>64bit Indicates that the process is 64-bit</p> <p>plock Indicates that the process has called the plock subroutine to pin memory</p> <p>fixed Indicates that the process is fixed priority (SCHED_FIFO or SCHED_RR)</p> <p>The value of the type field can be a comma-separated list of combinations of one or more of the values above. Within the combination, each item must be separated by a plus (+) sign. For example, the value fixed,64bit+plock indicates that any fixed priority process (whether 32- or 64-bit) matches. In addition, 64-bit processes calling the plock subroutine matches. But the value fixed+64bit+plock indicates a different rule criteria: only processes that are 64-bit, fixed, and that are calling the plock subroutine match the criteria.</p> <p>The 32bit value and 64bit value mutually exclude each other.</p>
tag	<p>May contain either a hyphen or a list of application tags. The list is composed of one or more application tag values separated by commas.</p>

When classifying a process, WLM attempts to match the values of the process attributes (**user**, **group**, **application**, **type**, and **tag**) with the values provided in the **rules** file. To match values, WLM uses the following criteria:

- If the value in the rule is a hyphen, any value of the corresponding process attribute is a match.

- If the value of a process attribute (other than the **type** attribute) appears in the list of values specified in the corresponding field in the rule and is not preceded by an exclamation mark, it is a match for the specified attribute.
- If the values of the process **type** attribute (**32bit/64bit, plock, fixed**) match all the values (separated by + signs) provided in the list for the **type** field in the rule, they are a match for the process type.
- The process is classified in the class specified in the **class** field of the rule if ALL the values of the process attributes match the values in the corresponding field of the rule.
- WLM scans the rules in the order in which they appear in the **rules** file and classifies the process in the class specified in the *first rule for which a match is detected*. Therefore, the order of the rules in the file is very important.

When classifying a process, WLM first scans the **rules** file for the superclasses of the current configuration to determine which superclass the process is assigned to. Then, WLM scans the **rules** file for this superclass to determine which subclass it assigns the process to.

Threads may also be assigned to a class if they have an application tag. They will be assigned using the same rules as the process. However, threads that do not have an application tag will remain assigned to their process' class.

Groupings

As an improvement for the AIX operating system, you can now use attribute value groupings in the **rules** file. Attribute groupings can be used as element of a selection criteria in the **rules** file for superclasses or subclasses. For more information, syntax and examples, see the **groupings** file.

Security

The file containing the assignment rules for the superclasses must have write permission for the root user only. The file containing the assignment rules for the subclasses of a superclass must have write permission for the adminuser and admingroup for the superclass. If no adminuser exists for the superclass, the file should be owned by root. If no admingroup exists for a superclass, the **rules** file for the superclass should be owned by the system group and have no write permission for group.

Examples

1. The following is an example of a `/etc/wlm/Config/rules` file:

```
* This file contains the rules used by WLM to
* assign a process to a superclass
*
* class resvd user  group  application  type  tag
db1      -      -      -      /usr/bin/oracle* -    _DB1
db2      -      -      -      /usr/bin/oracle* -    _DB2
devlt    -      -      dev      -          -    -

VPs      -      bob,ted -      -          -    -
acctg    -      -      acct*   -          -    -
System   -      root    -      -          -    -
Default  -      -      -      -          -    -
```

2. The following is an example of the **rules** file for the superclass `devlt` in the `/etc/wlm/Config/devlt/` directory:

```
* This file contains the rules used by WLM to
* assign a process to a subclass of the
* superclass devlt
*
* class resvd user  group  application  type  tag
hackers  -      jim,liz -      -          -    -
hogs     -      -      -      -          64bit+plock -
editors  -      !sue   -      /bin/vi,/bin/emacs -    -
build    -      -      -      /bin/make,/bin/cc  -    -
Default  -      -      -      -          -    -
```

Note: The asterisk (*) is a comment character.

Files

Item	Description
rules	Defines the class assignment rules for the superclasses or subclasses of a WLM configuration

Related reference

[Workload Manager groupings File](#)

[Workload Manager shares File](#)

Related information

[wlmcheck command](#)

[Files](#)

Workload Manager shares File

Purpose

Contains the definition of the number of shares of all the resources allocated to superclasses or subclasses for a given configuration.

Description

The **shares** file in the `/etc/wlm/Config` directory describes the resource allocations for the superclasses of the WLM configuration named *Config*. If the superclass named *Super* of this configuration has subclasses defined, the resource allocations for the subclasses are defined in the file `/etc/wlm/Config/Super/shares`.

The file is organized into stanzas that are named after WLM classes and contain attribute-value pairs specifying the number of shares allocated to the class for the various resources. The attribute names identify the resource. The shares value is either an integer between 1 and 65535 or a hyphen (-) to indicate that WLM does not regulate the class for the given resource. The hyphen is the system default.

Attributes

Each stanza names a WLM class that must exist in the **classes** file at the corresponding level (superclass or subclass).

The following are class attributes defined in the **shares** file:

Item	Description
CPU	Specifies the number of CPU shares allocated to the class
memory	Specifies the number of physical memory shares allocated to the class
diskIO	Specifies the number of disk I/O shares allocated to the class

The default values mentioned above are the system default and can be modified using a special stanza named "default."

Consider the following stanza at the beginning of the **shares** file:

```
default:
  CPU      = 10
  diskIO   = 4
```

This stanza defines the default values for the number of shares for CPU and disk I/O so that if the **CPU** and **diskIO** attributes are not specified for some or all of the classes specified, the attributes default to 10 and 4, respectively. In this example, the default value for physical memory is still a hyphen, meaning no regulation. Classes that use only default values for all the resource types can be omitted in the **shares** file.

Security

The **shares** file must have write permission for root user only. The **shares** file for superclasses must have write permission for the adminuser and admingroup for the superclass.

If no adminuser exists for the superclass, the files should be owned by root. If no admingroup exists for a superclass, the **shares** file for the superclass should be owned by the system group and should have no write permission for group.

Example

The following is an example of a typical **/etc/wlm/Config/shares** file:

```
* System Defined Classes
* In this example, the system administrator uses
* only default values for the System
* and Shared
* superclasses, and those are omitted
* in the file
* The system administrator gives non
* default values
* only for the Default class:
*
Default:
    CPU      = 5
    memory   = 10
*
* User defined classes
*
Super1:
    CPU      = 8
    memory   = 20
    diskIO   = 6
Super2:
    memory   = 12
    diskIO   = 6
```

Note: The asterisk (*) is a comment character.

Files

Item	Description
shares	Defines the resource entitlements for the superclasses or subclasses of a WLM configuration

Related reference

[Workload Manager classes File](#)

[Workload Manager rules File](#)

Related information

[lsclass command](#)

[mkclass command](#)

[rmclass command](#)

xferstats File for BNU

Purpose

Contains information about the status of file transfer requests.

Description

The **/var/spool/uucp/.Admin/xferstats** file contains information about the status of each Basic Networking Utilities (BNU) file transfer request. The **xferstats** file contains:

- System name
- Name of the user requesting the transfer
- Date and time of the transfer
- Name of the device used in the transfer
- Size of the transferred file
- Length of time the transfer took

Examples

Following is a typical entry in the **xferstats** file:

```
zeus!jim M (10/11-16:10:33) (C,9234,1) [-] -> 1167 / 0.100secs
```

A file was transferred by user `jim` to system `zeus` at 4:10 p.m. on the 11th of October. The file size was 1167 bytes and the transfer took 0.100 seconds to complete.

Files

Item

`/var/spool/uucp/.Admin` directory

Description

Contains the **xferstats** file and other BNU administrative files.

Related information

[uucp command](#)

[BNU maintenance](#)

xtab File for NFS

Purpose

Contains entries for currently exported NFS directories.

Description

The `/etc/xtab` file contains entries for directories that are currently exported. This file should only be accessed by programs using the **getexportent** subroutine. To remove entries from this file, use the **-u** flag of the **exportfs** command.

Files

Item

`/etc/exports`

Description

Lists the directories that the server can export.

`/etc/hosts`

Contains an entry for each host on the network.

`/etc/netgroup`

Contains information about each user group on the network.

Related information

[exportfs command](#)

[NFS Services](#)

File Formats

Certain files in the operating system are required to have a specific format. The formats of the files that are provided with the operating system are discussed in the documentation for those files. If a file is

generated by either the system or a user rather than provided on the distribution medium, it is discussed as a *file format* in this documentation. File formats often are also associated with header files that contain C-language definitions and structures for the files.

More information about the following file formats is provided in this documentation:

Item	Description
<u>acct</u>	Describes the format of the records in the system accounting files.
<u>ar</u>	Describes the format of an archive file.
<u>audit</u>	Describes values used by the auditing system as well as the structure of a bin.
<u>bootptab</u>	Describes the default configuration database for the Internet Boot Protocol server (bootpd).
CGM	Defines a file format for storage and retrieval of device-independent graphics.
<u>charmap</u>	Defines character symbols as character encodings.
<u>core</u>	Describes the structures created in a core file as a result of a core dump.
<u>cpio</u>	Describes the cpio (copy in/out) archive file.
<u>eqnchar</u>	Contains special character definitions for the eqn and neqn commands.
<u>lastlog</u>	Defines the last login attributes for users.
<u>ldapattribmap</u>	Defines AIX® to LDAP attribute name mapping to support configurable LDAP server schema.
<u>locale definition</u>	Contains one or more categories that describe a locale.
<u>locale method</u>	Specifies the methods to be overridden when constructing a locale.
<u>magic</u>	Defines file types.
<u>mailrc</u>	Sets defaults for the mail command.
<u>mh_alias</u>	Defines aliases for the Message Handler (MH).
<u>mib_defs</u>	Provides descriptions of Management Information Base (MIB) variables for the snmpinfo command.
<u>nroff</u> and <u>troff</u> input	Specifies input file format for the nroff and troff commands.
<u>nterm</u>	Describes the format of the terminal driver tables for the nroff command.
<u>profile</u>	Describes the format of the profile and .profile files, which set the user environment at login time.
<u>queuedefs</u>	Describes the format of the file used by the cron daemon to handle event types.
<u>sccsfile</u>	Describes the format of a Source Code Control System (SCCS) file.
<u>setmaps</u>	Defines the text of a code-set map file and a terminal map file.
<u>terminfo</u>	Contains compiled terminfo source files.
TIFF	Enables InfoCrafter to support scanned images that have been imported into Interleaf documents.
<u>trcfmt</u>	Stores trace templates.
<u>troff</u>	Describes the output language of the troff command.
<u>troff Font</u>	Describes the format of the troff command font files.
<u>tunables</u>	Centralizes tunable parameter values.

Item	Description
<u>UIL</u>	Contains information on the user interface for a widget-based application.
<u>utmp</u> , <u>wtmp</u> , <u>failedlogin</u>	Describes the format of the user and accounting information in the <u>utmp</u> , <u>wtmp</u> , and <u>failedlogin</u> files.
<u>vgrindefs</u>	Contains the language definition database for the vgrind command.
<u>WML</u>	Generates variable UIL compiler components.

Asynchronous Terminal Emulation (ATE) File Formats

Item	Description
<u>ate.def</u>	Determines default settings for use in asynchronous connections and file transfers.
<u>ATE Dialing Directory</u>	Lists phone numbers that the ATE program uses to establish modem connections.

Basic Networking Utilities (BNU) File Formats

Item	Description
<u>Devices</u>	Contains information about devices on the local system that can establish a connection to a remote computer using the Basic Networking Utilities (BNU) program.
<u>Dialcodes</u>	Contains the initial digits of telephone numbers used to establish remote connections over a phone line.
<u>Dialers</u>	Lists modems used for Basic Networking Utilities (BNU) remote communications links.
<u>Maxuuscheds</u>	Limits the number of instances of the uusched and uucico daemons that can run simultaneously.
<u>Maxuuxqts</u>	Limits the number of instances of the BNU uuxqt daemon that can run simultaneously on the local system.
<u>Permissions</u>	Specifies BNU permissions for remote systems that call or are called by the local system.
<u>Poll</u>	Specifies when the BNU program should poll remote systems.
<u>Systems</u>	Lists remote computers with which users of the local system can communicate using the Basic Networking Utilities (BNU) program.

tip File Formats

Item	Description
<u>phones</u>	Describes connections used by the tip command to contact remote systems.
<u>remote</u>	Describes remote systems contacted by the tip command.
<u>.tiprc</u>	Provides initial settings of variables for the tip command.

TCP/IP System Management File Formats

Item	Description
<u>3270keys</u>	Defines user keyboard mapping and colors for TELNET (3270).
<u>Domain Cache</u>	Defines the root name server or servers for a DOMAIN name server host.

Item	Description
<u>Domain Data</u>	Stores name resolution information for the named daemon.
<u>Domain Local Data</u>	Defines the local loopback information for named on the name server host.
<u>Domain Reverse Data</u>	Stores reverse name resolution information for the named daemon.
<u>/etc/ftpd.cnf</u>	Specifies configuration parameters of the ftpd daemon to start a TLS session.
<u>.ftpcnf</u>	Specifies configuration parameters of the ftp command to start a TLS session.
<u>ftpusers</u>	Specifies local user names that cannot be used by remote FTP clients.
<u>gated.conf</u>	Contains configuration information for the gated daemon.
<u>gateways</u>	Specifies Internet routing information to the routed and gated daemons on a network.
<u>hosts</u>	Defines the Internet Protocol (IP) name and address of the local host and specifies the names and addresses of remote hosts.
<u>hosts.equiv</u>	Specifies remote systems that can execute commands on the local system.
<u>hosts.lpd</u>	Specifies remote hosts that can print on the local host.
<u>inetd.conf</u>	Defines how the inetd daemon handles Internet service requests.
<u>map3270</u>	Defines keyboard mapping and colors for the tn3270 command.
<u>netcd.conf</u>	Defines parameters for the netcd daemon.
<u>.netrc</u>	Specifies automatic login information for the ftp and rexec commands.
<u>networks</u>	Contains the network name file.
<u>protocols</u>	Defines the Internet protocols used on the local host.
<u>rc.net</u>	Defines host configuration for the following areas: network interfaces, host name, default gateway, and any static routes.
<u>resolv.conf</u>	Defines DOMAIN name server information for local resolver routines.
<u>rfc1108</u>	Contains the mapping between AIX® Trusted Network labels and rfc1108 labels.
<u>.rhosts</u>	Specifies remote users that can use a local user account on a network.
<u>services</u>	Defines the sockets and protocols used for Internet services.
<u>Standard Resource Record Format</u>	Defines the format of lines in the DOMAIN data files.
<u>telnet.conf</u>	Translates a client's terminal-type strings into terminfo file entries.
<u>cgaparams.sec</u>	Defines the color graphics adapter (CGA) parameter keywords for the ndpd-host daemon and autoconf6 command.
<u>ndpdh.cnf</u>	Defines the configuration file locations for the ndpd-host daemon and the autoconf6 command.
<u>sendh_anch</u>	Defines the trusted anchor for the ndpd-host daemon.
<u>sendr_anch</u>	Defines the trusted anchors for the ndpd-router daemon.

Item	Description
<u>tempaddr.conf</u>	Defines if temporary addresses should be allowed or denied

.3270keys File Format for TCP/IP

Purpose

Defines keyboard mapping and colors for the **tn** and **telnet** command.

Description

The **\$HOME/.3270keys** file specifies for a user a **tn** or **telnet** command key mapping that differs from the default mapping found in the **/etc/3270.keys** file. You can use it, for example, to make the Action key act as the Enter key.

If you are using a color display, you can also customize the colors for various 3270 display attributes by setting attributes in the **.3270keys** file. The default mapping in the **/etc/3270.keys** file is generic. The user can also load the user-defined files for specific terminal types by using the **.3270keys** file.

The **.3270keys** file is specified in the user's home directory. The default background color is black. You cannot configure the background color.

The **tn** or **telnet** command first checks the **\$HOME** directory for the **.3270keys** file and loads it. If the file doesn't exist, the **/etc/3270.keys** file is loaded. Both files, by default, end with an **if** statement and a list of terminal types. If the **TERM** environment variable matches one of the listed terminals, a second file is loaded. If the **TERM** variable does not match, the **tn** or **telnet** command uses the generic key bindings specified before the **if** statement and prints the message **NOBINDINGS**. This file is part of TCP/IP in Network Support Facilities.

Note: When remapping keys to customize your **\$HOME/.3270keys** file, remember that you cannot map a 3270 function to the Esc key alone. You can specify the Esc key only in combination with another key. Also, when mapping keys, do not duplicate key sequences. For example, if you have mapped the backtab function to the ^A (the Ctrl-A key sequence), then mapping the PF1 function key to ^Aep (the Ctrl-Aep key sequence) is going to conflict with the backtab mapping.

The \$HOME/.3270keys.hft File

You can also use the **/usr/lpp/tcpip/samples/3270keys.hft** sample file to create a **\$HOME/.3270keys.hft** file by copying the sample file to your home directory and modifying it as necessary.

The following options can be used in the sequence field:

Ite m	Description
\b	Backspace
\s	Space
\t	Tab
\n	New line
\r	Return
\e	Escape
^	Mask next character with \037; for example, ^M.
~	Set high-order bit for next character.

The following are valid colors for 3270 display attributes:

- black
- blue
- red
- green
- white
- magenta
- cyan

For more information about changing the assignment of a key set, see [Changing the assignment of a key set](#) in *Networks and communication management*.

Note: The **3270keys.hft** file supports the Attention key, which sends an IAC BREAK TELNET protocol sequence to the TELNET server on a VM or MVS™ system. The TELNET server is responsible for implementing the Attention key. Example 2 shows the format for binding the Attention key to the Ctrl-F12 key sequence.

Examples

1. The following example binds the Backspace key and the Tab keys:

	3270 Function	Sequence	Key
bind	backspace	"\b"	#backspace key
bind	tab	"\t"	#tab key

The # (pound sign) is used to indicate comments.

2. The following example binds the Attention key to the Ctrl-F12 key sequence:

	3270 Function	Sequence	Key
bind	attention	"\e[036q"	#attention key

Files

Item	Description
/etc/3270.keys	Contains the default keyboard mapping for non-HFT keyboards.
/etc/3270keys.hft	Contains the default keyboard mapping for HFT keyboards.
/usr/lpp/tcpip/samples/3270keys.hft	Contains a sample HFT keyboard mapping.

Related reference

[map3270 File Format for TCP/IP](#)

Related information

[telnet, tn, or tn3270 command](#)

[Changing the assignment of a key set](#)

acct File Format

Purpose

Provides the accounting file format for each process.

Description

The accounting files provide a means to monitor the use of the system. These files also serve as a method for billing each process for processor usage, materials, and services. The **acct** system call produces

accounting files. The `/usr/include/sys/acct.h` file defines the records in these files, which are written when a process exits.

The acct structure

The **acct** structure in the **acct.h** header file contains the following fields:

Item	Description
<code>ac_flag</code>	Specifies one of the following accounting flags for the process for which the accounting record is written:
AFORK	The process was created using a fork command but an exec subroutine has not yet followed. The exec subroutine turns off the AFORK flag.
ASU	The process used root user authority.
<code>ac_stat</code>	Specifies the exit status. A flag that indicates how the process terminated.
<code>ac_uid</code>	Specifies the user ID of the process for which the accounting record is written.
<code>ac_gid</code>	Specifies the group ID of the process for which the accounting record is written.
<code>ac_tty</code>	Specifies the terminal from which the process was started.
<code>ac_wlmkey</code>	Holds a 64-bit numeric key representing the Workload Manager class to which the process belonged. The Workload Manager Application Programming Interface provides the wlm_key2class subroutine to convert the key back to a class name.
<code>ac_btime</code>	Specifies the beginning time. The time at which the process started.
<code>ac_ftime</code>	Specifies the amount of user time, in seconds, used by the process.
<code>ac_stime</code>	Specifies the amount of system time, in seconds, used by the process.
<code>ac_etime</code>	Specifies the amount of time, in seconds, elapsed since the command ran.
<code>ac_mem</code>	Specifies the average amount of memory used by the process. Every clock interrupt (or clock tick, 100 times per second), the sys_timer routine is called to update the user data for the current process. If the process is in user mode, both its u_ftime value and memory usage values are incremented; otherwise, only its u_stime value is incremented. The sys_timer routine calls the vms_rusage routine to obtain the kilobytes of real memory being used by TEXTSEG (#1), the PRIVSEG (#2), and the big-data segments (#3-11), if used. These values are added to the total memory usage value at each clock tick during which the process is not in kernel mode. When the process ends, the acctexit routine computes how many clock ticks occurred while the process executed (in both user and kernel modes) and divides the total memory usage value by this number to give an average memory usage for the process. This value is recorded as a two-byte unsigned short integer.
<code>ac_io</code>	Specifies the number of characters transferred by the process.
<code>ac_rw</code>	Specifies the number of blocks read or written by the process.
<code>ac_comm</code>	Specifies the name of the command that started the process. A child process created by a fork subroutine receives this information from the parent process. An exec subroutine resets this field.

The tacct Structure

The **tacct** structure, which is not part of the **acct.h** header file, represents the total accounting format used by the various accounting commands:

```
struct tacct {
    uid_t ta_uid;           /* user-ID */
    char ta_name[8];        /* login name */
    float ta_cpu[2];        /* cum. CPU time, p/np (mins) */
    float ta_kcore[2];      /* cum. kcore-mins, p/np */
    float ta_io[2];         /* cum. chars xferred (512s) */
};
```

```

float ta_rw[2];          /* cum. blocks read/written */
float ta_con[2];         /* cum. connect time, p/np, mins */
float ta_du;            /* cum. disk usage */
long ta_qsys;           /* queuing sys charges (pgs) */
float ta_fee;           /* fee for special services */
long ta_pc;             /* count of processes */
unsigned short ta_sc;    /* count of login sessions */
unsigned short ta_dc;    /* count of disk samples */
};

```

Related information

[acctcms command](#)

[runacct command](#)

[Accounting files](#)

ar File Format (Big)

Purpose

Combines several files into one. This is the default **ar** library archive format for the operating system.

Description

The **ar** (archive) file format combines several files into one. The **ar** command creates an archive file. The **ld** (link editor) command searches archive files to resolve program linkage. The **/usr/include/ar.h** file describes the archive file format. This file format accommodates both 32-bit and 64-bit object files within the same archive.

This is the default file format used by the **ar** command.

Fixed-Length Header

Each archive begins with a fixed-length header that contains offsets to special archive file members. The fixed-length header also contains the magic number, which identifies the archive file. The fixed-length header has the following format:

```

#define __AR_BIG__
#define AIAMAGBIG "<bigaf>\n"          /* Magic string */
#define SAIAMAG 8                      /*Length of magic string */
struct fl_hdr                          /*Fixed-length header */
{
char fl_magic[SAIAMAG]; /* Archive magic string */
char fl_memoff[20];     /*Offset to member table */
char fl_gstoffs[20];    /*Offset to global symbol table */
char fl_gst64offs[20];  /*Offset global symbol table for 64-bit objects */
char fl_istmoffs[20];   /*Offset to first archive member */
char fl_lstmoffs[20];   /*Offset to last archive member */
char fl_freeoffs[20];   /*Offset to first mem on free list */
} ;

```

The indexed archive file format uses a double-linked list within the archive file to order the file members. Therefore, file members may not be sequentially ordered within the archive. The offsets contained in the fixed-length header locate the first and last file members of the archive. Member order is determined by the linked list.

The fixed-length header also contains the offsets to the member table, the global symbol table, and the free list. Both the member table and the global symbol table exist as members of the archive and are kept at the end of the archive file. The free list contains file members that have been deleted from the archive. When adding new file members to the archive, free list space is used before the archive file size is expanded. A zero offset in the fixed-length header indicates that the member is not present in the archive file.

File Member Header

Each archive file member is preceded by a file member header, which contains the following information about the file member:

```
#define AIAFMAG  "\n"          /* Header trailer string*/
struct ar_hdr   /* File member header*/
{
    char ar_size[20];          /* File member size - decimal */
    char ar_nxtmem[20];        /* Next member offset-decimal */
    char ar_prvmem[20];        /* Previous member offset-dec */
    char ar_date[12];          /* File member date-decimal */
    char ar_uid[12];           /* File member userid-decimal */
    char ar_gid[12];           /* File member group id-decimal */
    char ar_mode[12];          /* File member mode-octal */
    char ar_namlen[4];         /* File member name length-dec */
    union
    {
        char ar_name[255];     /* Start of member name */
        char ar_fmags[2];      /* AIAFMAG - string to end */
    };
    _ar_name;                  /* Header and member name */
};
```

The member header provides support for member names up to 255 characters long. The `ar_namlen` field contains the length of the member name. The character string containing the member name begins at the `_ar_name` field. The AIAFMAG string is cosmetic only.

Each archive member header begins on an even-byte boundary. The total length of a member header is:

```
sizeof (struct ar_hdr) + ar_namlen
```

The actual data for a file member begins at the first even-byte boundary beyond the member header and continues for the number of bytes specified by the `ar_size` field. The **ar** command inserts null bytes for padding where necessary.

All information in the fixed-length header and archive members is in printable ASCII format. Numeric information, with the exception of the `ar_mode` field, is stored as decimal numbers; the `ar_mode` field is stored in octal format. Thus, if the archive file contains only printable files, you can print the archive.

Member Table

A member table is always present in an indexed archive file. This table quickly locates members of the archive. The `fl_memoff` field in the fixed-length header contains the offset to the member table. The member table member has a zero-length name. The **ar** command automatically creates and updates (but does not list) the member table. A member table contains the following information:

- The number of members. This member is 20 bytes long and stored in ASCII format as a decimal number.
- The array of offsets into the archive file. The length is 20 times the number of members. Each offset is 20 bytes long and stored in ASCII format as a decimal number.
- The name string table. The size is:

```
ar_size - (20 * (the number of members +1));
```

that is, the size equals the total length of all members minus the length of the offsets, minus the length of the number of members.

The string table contains the same number of strings as offsets. All strings are null-terminated. Each offset from the array corresponds sequentially to a name in the string table.

Global Symbol Tables

Immediately following the member table, the archive file contains two global symbol tables. The first global symbol table locates 32-bit file members that define global symbols; the second global symbol table does the same for 64-bit file members. If the archive has no 32-bit or 64-bit file members, the respective global symbol table is omitted. The **strip** command can be used to delete one or both global symbol tables from the archive. The `fl_gstoffs` field in the fixed-length header contains the offset to the 32-bit global symbol table, and the `fl_gst64offs` contains the offset to the 64-bit global symbol table.

The global symbol table members have zero-length names. The **ar** command automatically creates and updates, but does not list the global symbol tables. A global symbol table contains the following information:

- The number of symbols. This is 8 bytes long and can be accessed with the **sgetl** and **sputl** commands.
- The array of offsets into the archive file. The length is eight times the number of symbols. Each offset is 8 bytes long and can be accessed with the **sgetl** and **sputl** commands.
- The name-string table. The size is:

```
ar_size - (8 * (the number of symbols + 1));
```

That is, the size equals the total length of the members, minus the length of the offsets, minus the length of the number of symbols.

The string table contains the same number of strings as offsets. All strings are null-terminated. Each offset from the array corresponds sequentially to a name in the string table.

Related reference

[XCOFF Object File Format](#)

Related information

[ar command](#)

[ld command](#)

[sgetl or sputl subroutine](#)

ar File Format (Small)

Purpose

Describes the small indexed archive file format, in use prior to Version 4.3 of the operating system. This format is recognized by commands for backward compatability purposes only. See [ar File Format \(Big\)](#) for the current archive file format.

Description

The **ar** (archive) command combines several files into one. The **ar** command creates an archive file. The **ld** (link editor) command searches archive files to resolve program linkage. The [/usr/include/ar.h](#) file describes the archive file format. This archive format only handles 32-bit XCOFF members. The [ar File Format \(Big\)](#) handles both 32-bit and 64-bit XCOFF members

Fixed-Length Header

Each archive begins with a fixed-length header that contains offsets to special archive file members. The fixed-length header also contains the magic number, which identifies the archive file. The fixed-length header has the following format:

```
#define AIAMAG "<aiaff>\n"      /* Magic string */
#define SAIAMAG 8              /* Length of magic string */
struct fl_hdr                 /* Fixed-length header */
{
    char fl_magic[SAIAMAG];    /* Archive magic string */
    char fl_memoff[12];        /* Offset to member table */
    char fl_gstoffs[12];       /* Offset to global symbol table */
    char fl_fstoffs[12];       /* Offset to first archive member */
    char fl_lstoffs[12];       /* Offset to last archive member */
    char fl_freeoffs[12];      /* Offset to first mem on free list */
};
```

The indexed archive file format uses a double-linked list within the archive file to order the file members. Therefore, file members may not be sequentially ordered within the archive. The offsets contained in the

fixed-length header locate the first and last file members of the archive. Member order is determined by the linked list.

The fixed-length header also contains the offsets to the member table, the global symbol table, and the free list. Both the member table and the global symbol table exist as members of the archive and are kept at the end of the archive file. The free list contains file members that have been deleted from the archive. When adding new file members to the archive, free list space is used before the archive file size is expanded. A zero offset in the fixed-length header indicates that the member is not present in the archive file.

File Member Header

Each archive file member is preceded by a file member header, which contains the following information about the file member:

```
#define AIAFMAG "`\n"          /* Header trailer string */
struct ar_hdr                 /* File member header */
{
    char ar_size[12];          /* File member size - decimal */
    char ar_nxtmem[12];        /* Next member offset - decimal*/
    char ar_prvmem[12];        /* Previous member offset - dec */
    char ar_date[12];          /* File member date - decimal */
    char ar_uid[12];           /* File member user id - decimal */
    char ar_gid[12];           /* File member group id - decimal */
    char ar_mode[12];          /* File member mode - octal */
    char ar_namlen[4];         /* File member name length - dec */
    union
    {
        char ar_name[2];       /* Start of member name */
        char ar_fmag[2];       /* AIAFMAG - string to end */
    };
    _ar_name;                  /* Header and member name */
};
```

The member header provides support for member names up to 255 characters long. The `ar_namlen` field contains the length of the member name. The character string containing the member name begins at the `_ar_name` field. The AIAFMAG string is cosmetic only.

Each archive member header begins on an even-byte boundary. The total length of a member header is:

```
sizeof (struct ar_hdr) + ar_namlen
```

The actual data for a file member begins at the first even-byte boundary beyond the member header and continues for the number of bytes specified by the `ar_size` field. The `ar` command inserts null bytes for padding where necessary.

All information in the fixed-length header and archive members is in printable ASCII format. Numeric information, with the exception of the `ar_mode` field, is stored as decimal numbers; the `ar_mode` field is stored in octal format. Thus, if the archive file contains only printable files, you can print the archive.

Member Table

A member table is always present in an indexed archive file. This table quickly locates members of the archive. The `fl_memooff` field in the fixed-length header contains the offset to the member table. The member table member has a zero-length name. The `ar` command automatically creates and updates (but does not list) the member table. A member table contains the following information:

- The number of members. This member is 12 bytes long and stored in ASCII format as a decimal number.
- The array of offsets into the archive file. The length is 12 times the number of members. Each offset is 12 bytes long and stored in ASCII format as a decimal number.
- The name string table. The size is:

```
ar_size - (12 * (the number of members +1));
```

that is, the size equals the total length of all members minus the length of the offsets, minus the length of the number of members.

The string table contains the same number of strings as offsets. All strings are null-terminated. Each offset from the array corresponds sequentially to a name in the string table.

Global Symbol Table

If an archive file contains XCOFF object-file members that are not stripped, the archive file will contain a global symbol-table member. This global symbol table locates file members that define global symbols. The **strip** command deletes the global symbol table from the archive. The `fl_gstoffs` field in the fixed-length header contains the offset to the global symbol table. The global symbol table member has a zero-length name. The **ar** command automatically creates and updates, but does not list the global symbol table. A global symbol table contains the following information:

- The number of symbols. This is 4 bytes long and can be accessed with the **sgetl** and **sputl** commands.
- The array of offsets into the archive file. The length is four times the number of symbols. Each offset is 4 bytes long and can be accessed with the **sgetl** and **sputl** commands.
- The name-string table. The size is:

```
ar_size - (4 * (the number of symbols + 1));
```

That is, the size equals the total length of the members, minus the length of the offsets, minus the length of the number of symbols.

The string table contains the same number of strings as offsets. All strings are null-terminated. Each offset from the array corresponds sequentially to a name in the string table.

Related reference

[XCOFF Object File Format](#)

Related information

[ar command](#)

[sgetl or sputl subroutine](#)

ate.def File Format

Purpose

Determines default settings for the Asynchronous Terminal Emulation (ATE) program.

Description

The **ate.def** file sets the defaults for use in asynchronous connections and file transfers. This file is part of Asynchronous Terminal Emulation and is created in the current directory during the first run of ATE. The **ate.def** file contains the default values in the ATE program uses for the following:

- Data transmission characteristics
- Local system features
- Dialing directory file
- Control keys

The first time the ATE program runs from a particular directory, it creates the **ate.def** file in that directory, with settings as follows:

Item	Description
LENGTH	8
STOP	1
PARITY	0
RATE	1200

Item	Description
DEVICE	tty0
INITIAL	ATDT
FINAL	
WAIT	0
ATTEMPTS	0
TRANSFER	p
CHARACTER	0
NAME	kapture
LINEFEEDS	0
ECHO	0
VT100	0
WRITE	0
XON/XOFF	1
DIRECTORY	/usr/lib/dir
CAPTURE_KEY	002
MAINMENU_KEY	026
PREVIOUS_KEY	022

Edit the **ate.def** file with any ASCII text editor to permanently change the values of these characteristics. Temporarily change the values of these characteristics with the ATE **alter** and **modify** subcommands, accessible from either ATE Main Menu.

Parameters in the ate.def File

Type parameter names in uppercase letters in the **ate.def** file. Spell the parameters exactly as they appear in the original default file. Define only one parameter per line. An incorrectly defined value for a parameter causes ATE to return a system message. However, the program continues to run using the default value.

These are the **ate.def** file parameters:

Item	Description
LENGTH	Specifies the number of bits in a data character. This length must match the length expected by the remote system. Options: 7 or 8. Default: 8.
STOP	Specifies the number of stop bits appended to a character to signal that character's end during data transmission. This number must match the number of stop bits used by the remote system. Options: 1 or 2. Default: 1.

Item	Description
PARITY	<p>Checks whether a character is successfully transmitted to or from a remote system. Must match the parity of the remote system.</p> <p>For example, if the user selects even parity, when the number of 1 bits in the character is odd, the parity bit is turned on to make an even number of 1 bits.</p> <p>Options: 0 (none), 1 (odd), or 2 (even).</p> <p>Default: 0.</p>
RATE	<p>Determines the baud rate, or the number of bits transmitted per second (bps). The speed must match the speed of the modem and that of the remote system.</p> <p>Options: 50, 75, 110, 134, 150, 300, 600, 1200, 1800, 2400, 4800, 9600, or 19,200.</p> <p>Default: 1200.</p>
DEVICE	<p>Specifies the name of the asynchronous port used to make a connection to a remote system.</p> <p>Options: Locally created port names.</p> <p>Default: tty0.</p>
INITIAL	<p>Defines the dial prefix, a string that must precede the telephone number when the user autodial with a modem. For the proper dial commands, consult the modem documentation.</p> <p>Options: ATDT, ATDP, or other values, depending on the type of modem.</p> <p>Default: ATDT.</p>
FINAL	<p>Defines the dial suffix, a string that must follow the telephone number when the user autodial with a modem. For the proper dial commands, consult the modem documentation.</p> <p>Options: Blank (none) or a valid modem suffix.</p> <p>Default: No default.</p>
WAIT	<p>Specifies the time to wait between redialing attempts. The wait period does not begin until the connection attempt times out or until it is interrupted. If the ATTEMPTS parameter is set to 0, no redial attempt occurs.</p> <p>Options: 0 (none) or a positive integer designating the number of seconds to wait.</p> <p>Default: 0.</p>
ATTEMPTS	<p>Specifies the maximum number of times the ATE program tries to redial to make a connection. If the ATTEMPTS parameter is set to 0, no redial attempt occurs.</p> <p>Options: 0 (none) or a positive integer designating the number of attempts.</p> <p>Default: 0.</p>

Item	Description
TRANSFER	<p>Defines the type of asynchronous protocol that transfers files during a connection.</p> <p>p</p> <p>pacing:</p> <p>File transfer protocol controls the data transmission rate by waiting for a specified character or for a certain number of seconds between line transmissions. This helps prevent loss of data when the transmission blocks are either too large or sent too quickly for the system to process.</p> <p>x</p> <p>xmodem:</p> <p>An 8-bit file transfer protocol to detect data transmission errors and retransmit the data.</p> <p>Options: p (pacing), x (xmodem).</p> <p>Default: p.</p>
CHARACTER	<p>Specifies the type of pacing protocol to be used.</p> <p>Character</p> <p>Signal to transmit a line. Select one character.</p> <p>When the send subcommand encounters a line-feed character while transmitting data, the subcommand waits to receive the pacing character before sending the next line.</p> <p>When the receive subcommand is ready to receive data, it sends the pacing character, then waits 30 seconds to receive data. The receive subcommand sends a pacing character again whenever it finds a carriage-return character in the data. The receive subcommand ends when it receives no data for 30 seconds.</p> <p>Interval</p> <p>Number of seconds the system waits between each line it transmits. The value of the <i>Interval</i> variable must be an integer. The default value is 0, indicating a pacing delay of 0 seconds.</p> <p>Default: 0.</p>
NAME	<p>File name for incoming data (capture file).</p> <p>Options: A valid file name less than 40 characters long.</p> <p>Default: The kapture file.</p>
LINEFEEDS	<p>Adds a line-feed character after every carriage-return character in the incoming data stream.</p> <p>Options: 1 (on) or 0 (off).</p> <p>Default: 0.</p>

Item	Description
ECHO	<p>Displays the user's typed input.</p> <p>For a remote computer that supports echoing, each character sent returns and displays on the screen. When the ECHO parameter is on, each character is displayed twice: first when it is entered, and again when it returns over a connection. When the ECHO parameter is off, each character displays only when it returns over the connection.</p> <p>Options: 1 (on) or 0 (off).</p> <p>Default: 0.</p>
VT100	<p>The local console emulates a DEC VT100 terminal so DEC VT100 codes can be used with the remote system. With the VT100 parameter off, the local console functions like a workstation.</p> <p>Options: 1 (on) or 0 (off).</p> <p>Default: 0.</p>
WRITE	<p>Captures incoming data and routes it to the file specified in the NAME parameter as well as to the display. Carriage-return or line-feed combinations are converted to line-feed characters before they are written to the capture file. In an existing file, data is appended to the end of the file.</p> <p>Note: The CAPTURE_KEY (usually the Ctrl-B key sequence) can be used to toggle capture mode on or off during a connection.</p> <p>Options: 1 (on) or 0 (off).</p> <p>Default: 0.</p>
XON/XOFF	<p>Controls data transmission at a port as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • When an Xoff signal is received, transmission stops. • When an Xon signal is received, transmission resumes. • An Xoff signal is sent when the receive buffer is nearly full. • An Xon signal is sent when the buffer is no longer full. <p>Options: 1 (On) or 0 (Off).</p> <p>Default: 1.</p>
DIRECTORY	<p>Names the file that contains the user's dialing directory.</p> <p>Default: the /usr/lib/dir file.</p>
<u>CAPTURE_KEY</u>	<p>Defines the control key sequence that toggles capture mode. When pressed, the CAPTURE_KEY (usually the Ctrl-B key sequence) starts or stops capturing (saving) the data that is displayed on the screen during an active connection.</p> <p>Options: Any ASCII control character.</p> <p>Default: ASCII octal 002 (STX).</p>
<u>MAINMENU_KEY</u>	<p>Defines the control key sequence that returns the ATE Connected Main Menu so the user can issue a command during an active connection. The MAINMENU_KEY (usually the Ctrl-V key sequence) functions only from the connected state.</p> <p>Options: Any ASCII control character.</p> <p>Default: ASCII octal 026 (SYN).</p>

Item	Description
<u>PREVIOUS_KEY</u>	<p>Defines the control key sequence that displays the previous screen anytime during the program. The screen displayed varies, depending on the screen in use when the user presses PREVIOUS_KEY (usually the Ctrl-R key sequence).</p> <p>Options: Any ASCII control character.</p> <p>Default: ASCII octal 022 (DC2). The ASCII control character is mapped to the interrupt signal.</p>

Note:

1. Changing or remapping may be necessary if control keys conflict across applications. For example, if the control keys mapped for the ATE program conflict with those in a text editor, remap the ATE control keys.
2. The ASCII control character selected may be in octal, decimal, or hexadecimal format, as follows:

Item	Description
octal	000 through 037. The leading zero is required.
decimal	0 through 31.
hexadecimal	0x00 through 0x1F. The leading 0x is required. The x may be uppercase or lowercase.

Examples

To change characteristics of ATE emulation, create an **ate.def** file that defines those characteristics.

For example, to change the RATE to 300 bps, the DEVICE to tty3, the TRANSFER mode to x (**xmodem** protocol), and the DIRECTORY to my.dir, create the following **ate.def** file in the directory running the ATE program:

```
RATE      300
DEVICE    tty3
TRANSFER  x
DIRECTORY my.dir
```

The time the ATE program starts from that directory, the program uses the defined values.

Files

Item	Description
/usr/lib/dir	Contains the default dialing directory file.

Related information

[ate command](#)

[Asynchronous communications](#)

audit File Format

Purpose

Describes the auditing data structures.

Description

The **/usr/include/sys/audit.h** file contains structure and constant definitions for the auditing system commands, subroutines, and daemons:

Audit Bin Format

The format of the audit bin is described by the **aud_bin** structure. An audit trail consists of a sequence of bins, each of which must start with a bin head and end with a bin tail. The **aud_bin** structure contains the following fields:

Item	Description
bin_magic	The magic number for the bin (0xf0f0).
bin_version	The version number for the bin (0).
bin_tail	Indicates whether the bin describes the audit trail head or tail: 0 Identifies the bin header. 1 Identifies the bin end (tail). 2 Identifies the trail end.
bin_len	The (unpacked) length of the bin's records. A nonzero value indicates that the bin has a tail record.
bin_plen	The current length of the bin's record (might be packed).
bin_time	The time at which the head or tail was written.
bin_reserved1	Not currently used.
bin_reserved2	Not currently used.

Audit Class Format

The format of the audit class is described by the **audit_class** structure, which contains the following fields:

Item	Description
ae_name	A pointer to the name of the audit class.
ae_list	A pointer to a list of null-terminated audit event names for this audit class. The list is ended by a null name (a leading null byte or two consecutive null bytes). Note: Event and class names are limited to 15 significant characters.
ae_len	The length of the event list in the ae_list member. This length includes the terminating null bytes. On an AUDIT_SET operation, the caller must set this member to indicate the actual length of the list (in bytes) pointed to by ae_list. On an AUDIT_GET or AUDIT_LOCK operation, the auditevents subroutine sets this member to indicate the actual size of the list.

Audit Object Format

The format of the audit object is described by the **o_event** structure, which contains the following fields:

Item	Description
o_type	Specifies the type of the object, in terms of naming space. Currently, only one object-naming space is supported: AUDIT_FILE Denotes the file system naming space.
o_name	Specifies the name of the object.

Item	Description
<code>o_event</code>	<p>Specifies any array of event names to be generated when the object is accessed. Note that event names are currently limited to 16 bytes, including the trailing null. The index of an event name in this array corresponds to an access mode. Valid indexes are defined in the audit.h file and include the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AUDIT_READ • AUDIT_WRITE • AUDIT_EXEC <p>Note: The C++ compiler will generate a warning indicating that o_event is defined both as a structure and a field within that structure. Although the o_event field can be used within C++, the warning can be bypassed by defining O_EVENT_RENAME. This will replace the o_event field with o_event_array. o_event is the default field.</p>

Audit Record Format

Each audit record consists of a list of fixed-length event identifiers, each of which can be followed by a variable-length tail. The format of the audit record is described by the **aud_rec** structure, which contains the following fields to identify the event:

Item	Description
<code>ah_magic</code>	Magic number for audit record.
<code>ah_length</code>	The length of the tail portion of the audit record.
<code>ah_event[16]</code>	The name of the event and a null terminator.
<code>ah_result</code>	<p>An indication of whether the event describes a successful operation. The values for this field are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 Indicates successful completion. 1 Indicates a failure. >1 An errno value describing the failure.

The **aud_rec** structure also contains the following fields to identify the user and the process:

Item	Description
<code>ah_ruid</code>	The real user ID; that is, the ID number of the user who created the process that wrote this record.
<code>ah_luid</code>	The login ID of the user who created the process that wrote this record.
<code>ah_name[16]</code>	The program name of the process, along with a null terminator.
<code>ah_pid</code>	The process ID of the process that wrote this record.
<code>ah_ppid</code>	The process ID of the parent of this process.
<code>ah_time</code>	The time in seconds at which this audit record was written.
<code>ah_ntime</code>	The nanoseconds offset from <code>ah_time</code> .

The record tail follows this header information.

Related information

[audit command](#)

[auditproc subroutine](#)

bootptab File Format

Purpose

Default configuration database for the Internet Boot Protocol server (**bootpd**).

Description

The **bootpd** configuration file contains entries for clients that use the **bootpd** daemon to get boot information. This file may be modified using the System Management Interface Tool (SMIT) to configure a Diskless client or the file may be modified manually.

The client host information consists of case-sensitive tag symbols used to represent host parameters. These host parameter declarations are separated by : (colon). For example:

```
HostName:Tg=Value:Tg=Value:Tg=Value
```

where:

HostName

Specifies the name of a BOOTP client. This must always be the first field in the entry.

The **bootpd** daemon attempts to send the entire host name as it is specified in this field. However, if the host name does not fit into the reply packet, the name is shortened to the host field (up to the first period, if present) and tried again. An arbitrarily truncated host name is never sent. If nothing reasonable fits, nothing is sent.

Guidelines and Restrictions

- Blank lines and lines beginning with # are ignored when the file is read.
- Host entries are separated from one another by new lines; a single host entry may be extended over multiple lines if the lines end with a backslash (\). However, individual host entries must not exceed 1024 characters.
- Lines in the configuration file may be longer than 80 characters.
- Tags can be displayed in any order, with the following exceptions:
 - The host name must be the first field in an entry, and
 - The hardware type must precede the hardware address.

Related information

[bootpd command](#)

cgaparams.sec File Format for TCP/IP

Purpose

Defines the Cryptographically Generated Address (CGA) parameter keywords for the **ndpd-host** daemon and **autoconf6** command.

Description

The **/etc/ndpd/cgaparams.sec** file is the default CGA parameters file for the **ndpd-host** daemon and the **autoconf6** application. If the **ndpd-host** daemon or the **autoconf6** application is started without specifying an alternate file through the **/etc/ndpd/ndpdh.cnf** file or a user-specified configuration file, then the **ndpd-host** daemon and the **autoconf6** application read the **/etc/ndpd/cgaparams.sec** file. The **/etc/ndpd/cgaparams.sec** file provides information about enabling the SEND mode with interface.

Prerequisite: To enable the SEND mode, the **clirc.rte** files set and **OpenSSL** must be installed.

The **cgaparams.sec** file has the following format when configuring the **ndpd-host** daemon or the **autoconf6** application:

Keyword	Value	Description
<i>en</i> <value> { CGA key words }	0 through <i>n</i>	Specifies the interface that is configured with the SEND mode

The values and meanings of CGA keywords are listed in the table as follows:

Keyword	Value	Description
BEGIN_RSA_PRIVATE_KEY < value > END_RSA_PRIVATE_KEY < value >	ASN1 encoded private key	Private key to be used for creating the RSA Signature
BEGIN_RSA_PUBLIC_KEY < value > END_RSA_PUBLIC_KEY < value >	ASN1 encoded public key	Public key to be embedded in CGA options
SEND < value >	off, compatible, only	Specifies the SEND mode. The SEND parameter can be specified with one of the following values: off Specifies that the SEND mode is not enabled. The host will behave as it did prior to RFC 3971/3972. compatible Specifies that the interface complies to RFC 3971/3972 when it sends out messages. It does not require the SEND options in the incoming message. This allows a mixed environment where certain routers are SEND-capable while others are not. However, if the SEND options are embedded in the incoming packets, they must be correct. only Specifies that the entire message must conform to RFC 3971/3972, or the message will be rejected.

Files

Item	Description
/usr/samples/tcpip/send/cgaparams.sec	Contains the sample cgaparams.sec file

Related reference

[sendh_anchor](#) File Format for TCP/IP

[ndpdh.cnf](#) File Format for TCP/IP

Related information

[ndpd-host](#) daemon

[autoconf6](#) command

Character Set Description (charmap) Source File Format

Purpose

Defines character symbols as character encodings.

Description

The character set description (**charmap**) source file defines character symbols as character encodings. The **/usr/lib/nls/charmap** directory contains **charmap** source files for supported locales. The **localedef** command recognizes two sections in **charmap** source files, the **CHARMAP** section and the **CHARSETID** section:

Item	Description
<u>CHARMAP</u>	Maps symbolic character names to code points. This section must precede all other sections, and is mandatory.
<u>CHARSETID</u>	Maps the code points within the code set to a character set ID. This sections is optional.

The CHARMAP Section

The **CHARMAP** section of the **charmap** file maps symbolic character names to code points. All supported code sets have the portable character set as a proper subset. Only symbols that are not defined in the portable character set must be defined in the **CHARMAP** section. The portable character set consists of the following character symbols (listed by their standardized symbolic names) and encodings:

Symbol Name	Code (hexadecimal)
<NUL>	000
<SOH>>	001
<STX>	002
<ETX>	003
<EOT>	004
<ENQ>	005
<ACK>	006
<alert>	007
<backspace>	008
<tab>	009
<new-line>	00A
<vertical-tab>	00B
<form-feed>	00C
<carriage-return>	00D
<S0>	00E
<SI>	00F
<DLE>	010
<DC1>	011
<DC2>	012
<DC3>	013

Symbol Name	Code (hexadecimal)
<DC4>	014
<NAK>	015
<SYN>	016
<ETB>	017
<CAN>	018
	019
<SUB>	01A
<ESC>	01B
<IS4>	01C
<IS3>	01D
<IS2>	01E
<IS1>	01F
<space>	020
<exclamation-mark>	021
<quotation-mark>	022
<number-sign>	023
<dollar-sign>	024
<percent>	025
<ampersand>	026
<apostrophe>	027
<left-parenthesis>	028
<right-parenthesis>	029
<asterisk>	02A
<plus-sign>	02B
<comma>	02C
<hyphen>	02D
<period>	02E
<slash>	02F
<zero>	030
<one>	031
<two>	032
<three>	033
<four>	034
<five>	035
<six>	036
<seven>	037
<eight>	038

Symbol Name	Code (hexadecimal)
<nine>	039
<colon>	03A
<semi-colon>	03B
<less-than>	03C
<equal-sign>	03D
<greater-than>	03E
<question-mark>	03F
<commercial-at>	040
<A>	041
	042
<C>	043
<D>	044
<E>	045
<F>	046
<G>	047
<H>	048
<I>	049
<J>	04A
<K>	04B
<L>	04C
<M>	04D
<N>	04E
<O>	04F
<P>	050
<Q>	051
<R>	052
<S>	053
<T>	054
<U>	055
<V>	056
<W>	057
<X>	058
<Y>	059
<Z>	05A
<left-bracket>	05B
<backslash>	05C
<right-bracket>	05D

Symbol Name	Code (hexadecimal)
<circumflex>	05E
<underscore>	05F
<grave-accent>	060
<a>	061
	062
<c>	063
<d>	064
<e>	065
<f>	066
<g>	067
<h>	068
<i>	069
<j>	06A
<k>	06B
<l>	06C
<m>	06D
<n>	06E
<o>	06F
<p>	070
<q>	071
<r>	072
<s>	073
<t>	074
<u>	075
<v>	076
<w>	077
<x>	078
<y>	079
<z>	07A
<left-brace>	07B
<vertical-line>	07C
<right-brace>	07D
<tilde>	07E
	07F

The **CHARMAP** section contains the following sections:

- The CHARMAP section header.

- An optional special symbolic name-declarations section. The symbolic name and value must be separated by one or more blank characters. The following are the special symbolic names and their meanings:

Item	Description
<code_set_name>	Specifies the name of the coded character set for which the charmap file is defined. This value determines the value returned by the nl_langinfo subroutine. The <code_set_name> must be specified using any character from the portable character set, except for control and space characters.
<mb_cur_max>	Specifies the maximum number of bytes in a multibyte character for the encoded character set. Valid values are 1 to 4. The default value is 1.
<mb_cur_min>	Specifies the minimum number of bytes in a multibyte character for the encoded character set. Since all supported code sets have the portable character set as a proper subset, this value must be 1.
<escape_char>	Specifies the escape character that indicates encodings in hexadecimal or octal notation. The default value is a \ (backslash).
<comment_char>	Specifies the character used to indicate a comment within a charmap file. The default value is a # (pound sign). With the exception of optional comments following a character symbol encoding, comments must start with a comment character in the first column of a line.

- Character set mapping statements for the defined code set.

Each statement in this section defines a symbolic name for a character encoding. A character symbol begins with the < (less-than) character and ends with the > (greater-than) character. The characters between the < (less-than) and > (greater-than) can be any characters from the portable character set, except for control and space characters. The > (greater-than) character may be used if it is escaped with the escape character (as specified by the **<escape_char>** special symbolic name). A character symbol cannot exceed 32 characters in length.

The format of a character symbol definition is:

```
<char_symbol>  encoding
                optional comment
```

An encoding is specified as one or more character constants, with the maximum number of character constants specified by the **<mb_cur_max>** special symbolic name. The **localedef** command supports decimal, octal, and hexadecimal constants with the following formats:

```
hexadecimal constant  \xdd
octal constant        \odd
decimal constant      \ddd
```

Some examples of character symbol definitions are:

```
<A>          \d65      decimal constant
<B>          \x42      hexadecimal constant
<j10101>     \x81\d254  mixed hex and decimal constants
```

A range of one or more symbolic names and corresponding encoding values may also be defined, where the nonnumeric prefix for each symbolic name is common, and the numeric portion of the second symbolic name is equal to or greater than the numeric portion of the first symbolic name. In this format, a symbolic name value consists of zero or more nonnumeric characters followed by an integer of one or more decimal digits. This format defines a series of symbolic names. For example, the string

<j0101>...<j0104> is interpreted as the <j0101>, <j0102>, <j0103>, and <j0104> symbolic names, in that order.

In statements defining ranges of symbolic names, the encoded value is the value for the first symbolic name in the range. Subsequent symbolic names have encoding values in increasing order. For example:

```
<j0101>...<j0104>      \d129\d254
```

This character set mapping statement is interpreted as follows:

```
<j0101>      \d129\d254
<j0102>      \d129\d255
<j0103>      \d130\d0
<j0104>      \d130\d1
```

Symbolic names must be unique, but two or more symbolic names can have the same value.

- The END CHARMAP section trailer.

Examples

The following is an example of a portion of a possible **CHARMAP** section from a **charmap** file:

```
CHARMAP
<code_set_name>      ISO8859-1
<mb_cur_max>        1
<mb_cur_min>        1
<escape_char>       \
<comment_char>      #
<NUL>                \x00
<SOH>                \x01
<STX>                \x02
<ETX>                \x03
<EOT>                \x04
<ENQ>                \x05
<ACK>                \x06
<alert>              \x07
<backspace>          \x09
<tab>                \x09
<newline>            \x0a
<vertical-tab>       \x0b
<form-feed>          \x0c
<carriage-return>    \x0d
END CHARMAP
```

The CHARSETID Section

The **CHARSETID** section maps the code points within the code set to a character set ID. The **CHARSETID** section contains the following sections:

- The CHARSETID section header.
- Character set ID mappings for the defined code sets.
- The END CHARSETID section trailer.

Character set ID mappings are defined by listing symbolic names or code points for symbolic names and their associated character set IDs. The following are possible formats for a character set ID mapping statement:

```
<character_symbol>      number
<character_symbol>...<character_symbol>  number
character_constant       number
character_constant...character_constant   number
```

The <character_symbol> used must have previously been defined in the **CHARMAP** section. The character_constant must follow the format described for the **CHARMAP** section.

Individual character set mappings are accomplished by indicating either the symbolic name (defined in the **CHARMAP** section or the portable character set) followed by the character set ID, or the code point associated with a symbolic name followed by the character set ID value. Symbolic names and code points

must be separated from a character set ID value by one or more blank characters. Ranges of code points can be mapped to a character set ID value by indicating appropriate combinations of symbolic names and code point values as endpoints to the range, separated by . . . (ellipsis) to indicate the intermediate characters, and followed by the character set ID for the range. The first endpoint value must be less than or equal to the second end point value.

Examples

The following is an example of a portion of a possible **CHARSETID** section from a **charmap** file:

```
CHARSETID
<space>...<nobreakspace>          0
<tilde>...<y-diaeresis>          1
END CHARSETID
```

Related reference

[Locale Definition Source File Format](#)

[LC_NUMERIC Category for the Locale Definition Source File Format](#)

[LC_TIME Category for the Locale Definition Source File Format](#)

Related information

[localedef command](#)

[Converters Overview for System Management](#)

core File Format

Purpose

Contains an image of a process at the time of an error.

Description

A **.core** file is created in the current directory when various errors occur. Errors such as memory-address violations, illegal instructions, bus errors, and user-generated quit signals, commonly cause this *core dump*. The **core** file that is created contains a memory image of the terminated process. If the faulty process is multi-threaded and the current **core** size **ulimit** is less than what is required to dump the data section, then only the faulting thread stack area is dumped from the data section.

Note: The core dump file can be given a unique name by using the [chcore](#) command. The default behavior is the same as in previous versions of the AIX operating system.

Any shared memory allocated by the process may also be optionally omitted from the core file. This data is only omitted if the CORE_NOSHM environment variable is exported. The default is to include all shared memory in the core file. The CORE_NOSHM variable can be set to any value.

Unique core file naming will only be enabled if the environment variable CORE_NAMING is exported. The default name is core as in previous releases. The value of the variable should be set to true.

The contents of a core dump are organized sequentially in the **core** file as follows:

Item	Description
Core header	Defines basic information about the core dump, and contains offsets that locate the remainder of the core dump information.
ldinfo structures	Defines loader information.
mstsave structures	Defines kernel thread state information. Since the faulting thread mstsave structure is directly saved in the core header, additional structures are saved here only for multi-threaded programs.
Default user stack	Contains a copy of the user stack at the time of the core dump.
Default data area	(Optional) Contains the user data section.

Item	Description
Memory mapped regions	(Optional) Contains the anonymously mapped regions.
vm_info structures	(Optional) Contains offset and size information for memory mapped regions.

By default, the user data is, anonymously mapped regions, and **vm_info** structures are not included in a core dump. This partial core dump includes the current process stack, thread stack, the thread **mstsave** structures, the user structure, and the state of the registers at the time of the fault. A partial core dump contains sufficient information for a stack traceback. The size of a core dump can also be limited by the **setrlimit** subroutine.

To enable a full core dump, set the **SA_FULLDUMP** flag in the **sigaction** subroutine for the signal that is to generate a full core dump. If this flag is set when the core is dumped, the data section is, anonymously mapped regions, and **vm_info** structures are included in the core dump.

Core files are dumped in the following ways:

- All dumped cores are in the context of the running process. They are dumped with an owner and a group matching the effective user ID (UID) and group ID (GID) of the process. If this UID/GID pair does not have permission to write to the target directory that is determined according to the standard core path procedures, no core file is dumped.
- If the real user ID (RUID) is root, the core file can always be dumped, but with a mode of 0600.
- If the effective user ID (EUID) matches the real user ID (RUID), and the effective group ID (EGID) matches any group in the credential's group list, the core file is dumped with permissions of 0600.
- If the EUID matches the RUID, but the EGID does not match any group in the credential's group list, the core file cannot be dumped. The effective user cannot see data that they do not have access to.
- If the EUID does not match the RUID, the core file can be dumped only if you have set a core directory using the **syscorepath** command. This avoids dumping the core file into either the current working directory or a user-specific core directory in such a way that you cannot remove the core file. Core is dumped with a mode of 0600. If you have not used the **syscorepath** command to set a core directory, no core is dumped.

The format of the core header is defined by the **core_dump** structure (in the **core.h** header file), which is organized as follows:

Item	Field Name	Description
char	c_signo	The number of the signal which caused the error.

Item	Field Name	Description
char	c_flag	<p>A bit field which describes the core dump type. The meanings of the bits are as follows:</p> <p>FULL_CORE core contains the data sections (0x01)</p> <p>CORE_VERSION_1 core was generated by AIX Version 4 or higher (0x02)</p> <p>MSTS_VALID core contains mstsave structures (0x04)</p> <p>CORE_BIGDATA core contains big data (0x08)</p> <p>UBLOCK_VALID core contains the u_block structure (0x10)</p> <p>USTACK_VALID core contains the user stack (0x20)</p> <p>LE_VALID core contains at least one module (0x40)</p> <p>CORE_TRUNC core was truncated (0x80)</p>
ushort	c_entries	The number of core dump modules
struct ld_info *	c_tab	The offset to the beginning of the core table
caddr_t	c_stack	The offset to the beginning of the user stack
int	c_size	The size of the user stack
struct mstsave	c_mst	A copy of the faulting mst
struct user	c_u	A copy of the user structure
int	c_nmsts	The number of mstsave structures referenced by the c_msts field
struct mstsave *	c_msts	The offset to the other threads' mstsave structures
int	c_datasize	The size of the data region
caddr_t	c_data	The offset to user data
int	c_vmregions	The number of anonymously mapped regions
struct vm_info *	c_vmm	The offset to the start of the vm_info table

Related information

[chcore command](#)

[syscorepath command](#)

[setrlimit subroutine](#)

[setuid subroutine](#)

cpio File Format

Purpose

Describes the copy in/out (**cpio**) archive file.

Description

The **cpio** utility backs up and recovers files. The files are saved on the backup medium in the **cpio** format.

When the **cpio** command is used with the **-c** flag, the header for the **cpio** structure reads as follows:

```
sscanf(Chdr, "%6ho%6ho%6ho%6ho%6ho%6ho%6ho%6ho%11lo%6ho%11lo%s",
&Hdr.h_magic, &Hdr.h_dev, &Hdr.h_ino, &Hdr.h_mode,
&Hdr.h_uid, &Hdr.h_gid, &Hdr.h_nlink, &Hdr.h_rdev,
&Longtime, &Hdr.h_namesize, &Longfile, &Hdr.h_name);
```

Longtime and Longfile are equivalent to Hdr.h_mtime and Hdr.h_filesize, respectively. The contents of each file, and other items describing the file, are recorded in an element of the array of structures with varying lengths.

Note: Files saved with the **-c** flag must be restored with the **-c** flag.

When the **-c** flag of the **cpio** command is not used, the header structure contains the following fields:

Item	Description
h_magic	Contains the constant octal 070707 (or 0x71c7).
h_dev	Device that contains a directory entry for this file.
h_ino	I-node number that identifies the input file to the file system.
h_mode	Mode of the input file, as defined in the mode.h file.
h_uid	User ID of the owner of the input file.
h_gid	Group ID of the owner of the input file.

For remote files, these fields contain the ID after reverse translation:

Item	Description
h_nlink	Number of links that are connected to the input file.
h_rdev	ID of the remote device from which the input file is taken.
h_mtime	Time when data was last modified. For remote files, this field contains the time at the server. This time can be changed by the creat , fclearf , truncate , mknod , openx , pipe , utime , or writex subroutine.
h_namesize	Length of the path name, including the terminating null byte.
h_filesize	Length of the file in bytes. This is the length of the data section that follows the header structure.
h_name	Null-terminated path name. The length of the path name, including the null byte, is indicated by the <i>n</i> variable, where <i>n</i> equals $((h_namesize \% 2) + h_namesize)$. That is, the <i>n</i> variable is equal to the <i>h_namesize</i> field if the <i>h_namesize</i> field is even. If the <i>h_namesize</i> field is odd, the <i>n</i> variable is equal to the <i>h_namesize</i> field + 1.

The last record of the archive always contains the name TRAILER!!!. Special files, directories, and the trailer are recorded with the *h_filesize* field equal to 0.

Related information

[cpio command](#)

[find command](#)

[fclear subroutine](#)

[truncate or ftruncate subroutine](#)

cronlog.conf File

Purpose

Specifies the default configuration file of the `cron` daemon for logging information.

Description

The `cronlog.conf` configuration file informs the `cron` daemon where and how to log information. If you do not use the `-f` flag, the `cron` daemon reads the default `/etc/cronlog.conf` configuration file. If the `cron` daemon fails to open the configuration file, it continues with the `/var/adm/cron/log` file. The `cron` daemon ignores blank lines and lines beginning with a `#` (pound sign).

Format

archive

Specifies that the saved rotated files will be copied to a directory. It is followed by the directory name. If `archive` is not specified and rotation is valid, files are rotated in the directory of `logfile`.

compress

Specifies that the saved rotated files will be compressed. If keyword is not present then no compression is done.

logfile

Specifies the full path name of the log file. If the file does not exist, it is created with permission 660. Do not create the log file in the `/` file system. If the `cron` daemon cannot create the name of the log file, the daemon creates a log of its activities in the `/var/adm/cron/log` file, and all of the features below it are turned off.

quiet

Specifies that `cron` logging will be disabled.

rotate

Specifies the total number of rotated files. It is followed by a number. If a number is not specified then there are unlimited number of rotated files. If the `rotate` keyword is not present, then no rotation is done. If specified, minimum of number of rotated files is 2.

size

Limits the size of a *logfile*. It is followed by a number and either a `k` (kilobytes) or `m` (megabytes). The default and minimum size is 30K. If the size value is invalid then rotation feature is turned off.

Examples

1. To log information in the directory `/home/user`, log file `cron.out`, size of 2M , total number of rotated files = 4, archive in `/usr/home`, compress archive files, create the configuration file as follows:

```
logfile=/home/user/cron.out
size=2m
rotate=4
archive=/usr/home
compress
```

2. To log information in directory `/home/user`, log file `cron.out`, size of 50k , unlimited log files, archive in `/usr/home`, compress archive files, create the configuration file as follows:

```
logfile=/home/user/cron.out
size=50k
rotate
archive=/usr/home
compress
```


3. To log information in directory `/home/user`, log file `cron.out`, size of 50k , total number of rotated files = 4, create the configuration file as follows:

```
logfile=/home/user/cron.out
size=50K
rotate=4
```

4. To log information in directory `/home/user`, log file `cron.out`, size of 50k , total number of rotated files = 4, archive in `/usr/home`, archive files without compression, no logging of cron jobs, create the configuration file as follows:

```
logfile=/home/user/cron.out
size=50K
rotate=4
archive=/usr/home
quiet
```

In this case, `cron.out` will contain only debug or error messages.

Related information

[cron command](#)

Devices File Format for BNU

Purpose

Contains information about devices on the local system that can establish a connection to a remote computer using the Basic Networking Utilities (BNU) program.

Description

The **`/etc/uucp/Devices`** file and its augmentations and alternatives specified in the **`/etc/uucp/Sysfiles`** file contains information about the devices on the local system that can establish a connection to a remote computer using the Basic Networking Utilities (BNU) program. This file includes information for hardwired, telephone, and TCP/IP communication links.

Note: Only someone with root user authority can edit the **Devices** file, which is owned by the **uucp** login ID.

Fields in the Devices File

The **Devices** file must contain a description of each device on the local system that can establish a remote connection using the BNU program. Each line in the **Devices** file includes the following fields:

Item	Description
<u>Type</u>	Typically specifies the type of hardwired or automatic calling unit (ACU) device.
<u>Line</u>	Specifies the device name for the port.
<u>Line2</u>	Specifies the dialer name if the <i>Line</i> entry specifies an 801 dialer.
<u>Class</u>	Typically specifies the transmission speed.
<u>Dialer-Token Pairs</u>	Specifies a particular type of autodialer (modem) and the token (a defined string of characters) that is passed to the dialer. Valid entries for this field are defined in the <code>/etc/uucp/Dialers</code> file.

The fields appear on the line as follows:

Type Line Line2 Class Dialer-Token Pairs

Every field of a line in the **Devices** file must contain an entry. If a field does not apply to the particular type of device or system, use a - (minus sign) as a placeholder.

Lines in the **Devices** file cannot wrap. Each entry must be on only one line in the file. However, the **Devices** file can contain blank lines and comment lines. Comment lines begin with a # (pound sign). Blank lines are ignored.

Type Field

Enter one of the following keywords in this field:

Keyword	Explanation
ACU	Use this keyword, entered in uppercase letters, if your site connects multiple systems over the telephone network with automatic calling units (autodialers or modems).
Direct	Use this keyword, beginning with an uppercase D, if your site uses hardwired lines to connect multiple systems.
TCP	Use this keyword, in uppercase letters, if your site uses TCP/IP.
<i>SystemName</i>	Enter the name of a particular remote system hardwired to the local system. The <i>SystemName</i> keyword is the name assigned to each individual system, such as her _a , zeus, or merlin.

This field corresponds to the *Type* field in the **/etc/uucp/Systems** file.

Line Field

The device name for the line, or port, used in the communication link is inserted here. For example, use the appropriate device name for a hardwired line, such as tty1. For a line connected to an ACU (a modem), use a device name appropriate to the dialer, such as tty1 or tty2. For a TCP connection, enter a minus sign as a placeholder.

Line2 Field

Unless you are using an 801 dialer, use a - (minus sign) in this field as a placeholder. If you are using an 801 dialer, put the device name of the 801 ACU in this field. For example, if the entry in the *Type* field is ACU and the *Line* field entry (specifying the modem) is tty1, the *Line2* field entry (specifying the 801 dialer for the modem) might be tty3 or tty4.

Note: The *Line2* field is used only to support older modems that require 801-type dialers. The modem is plugged into one serial port, and the 801 dialer is plugged into a separate serial port.

Class Field

For an ACU or a hardwired line, the *Class* field can be the speed of the device. In this case, for a hardwired line, use the transmission rate of the device connecting the two systems. For a telephone connection, use the speed at which the ACU transmits data, such as 300 or 1200 bps.

This field can also contain a letter with a speed (for example, C1200 or 1200) to differentiate between classes of dialers. For example, some offices have more than one telephone network, one for internal use and one for external communications. In such a case, it is necessary to distinguish which lines should be used for each connection.

The *Class* field in the **Devices** file is matched against the *Class* field in the **/etc/uucp/Systems** file. For example, if the **Systems** file entry for system her_a is:

```
hera Any ACU 1200 3-3-5-2 ogin: nuucp ssword: oldoaktree
```

BNU searches for an entry in the **Devices** file with a *Type* of ACU and a *Class* of 1200.

Some devices can be used at several specific speeds. In this case, make multiple entries for the device, specifying each speed on a separate line in the **Devices** file. If BNU cannot connect at the first speed, it will try the successive speeds.

If a device can be used at any speed, type the word Any in the *Class* field. Note that the A in Any must be uppercase.

For a TCP/IP connection, enter a - (minus sign) as a placeholder.

Dialer-Token Pair Field

The *Dialer-Token Pair* field specifies a particular type of autodialer (modem) and the token (a defined string of characters) that is passed to the dialer. Valid entries for this field are defined in the [/etc/uucp/Dialers](#) file.

For a hardwired connection, enter the word `direct` (note the lowercase d) as the *Dialer* entry and leave the *Token* entry blank.

For a telephone connection, enter the type of dialer and the token that is passed to that modem. The *Token* field entry is either a telephone number or a predefined string used to reach the dialer.

For a telephone connection, enter one of the following as the *Dialer* field entry:

Entry	Definition
hayes	A Hayes dialer.
<i>Other Dialers</i>	Other dialers that you can specify by including the relevant information in the /etc/uucp/Dialers file.
TCP	A TCP/IP connection. Enter TCP in the <i>Dialer</i> field entry if you have also entered TCP in the <i>Type</i> field.

Each *Dialer* field entry included as part of a *Dialer-Token Pair* field in the **Devices** file has a corresponding entry in the **Dialers** file.

If the *Token* field entry represents a telephone number, enter one of the following in the *Token* field to specify how the BNU program should use the telephone number listed in the [/etc/uucp/Systems](#) file:

Entry	Definition
\D	The default token in a <i>Dialer-Token Pair</i> field. The \D token specifies that the BNU program should take the phone number listed in the /etc/uucp/Systems file and pass it to the appropriate <i>dialer script</i> (entry) in the /etc/uucp/Dialers file, <i>without</i> including a dial-code abbreviation.
\T	This token instructs the BNU program to process the phone number by including the data specified in the /etc/uucp/Dialcodes file. Note: If you are using dial-code abbreviations specified in the Dialcodes file for certain telephone numbers, you <i>must</i> enter the \T string as the token in those entries in the Dialers file.
blank	Leaving the <i>Token</i> field blank is the same as entering \D, so a blank is usually sufficient as a token if you have included complete telephone numbers in the /etc/uucp/Systems file. If the <i>Token</i> field does not represent a telephone number, enter the predefined string necessary to reach the dialer.

Examples

Setting Up Entries for Hardwired Connections

To set up a **Device** file entry specifying a port and a remote system, make an entry as follows:

```
Direct tty1 - 1200 direct
zeus tty1 - 1200 direct
```

The *Type* field lists `Direct` (for a direct connection) in the first part and `zeus` (the name of the remote system) in the second part. The local system is connected to system `zeus` by way of device `tty1`, which is listed in the *Line* field in both parts of the example.

The *Line2* field contains actual data only when the entry specifies a certain type of telephone connection. A - (minus sign) is used as a placeholder in other types of connections, as in this example. This device transmits at a rate of 1200 bps, which is listed in the *Class* field in both parts of the example. The word *direct* in the *Dialer* field portion of the *Dialer-Token Pair* field indicates that this is a direct connection.

Setting Up Entries for Autodialer Connections

1. For a standard Hayes modem that can be used at only one baud rate, make an entry as follows:

```
ACU tty2 - 1200 hayes
```

The *Type* field is specified as ACU. The *Line* field is specified with the device name `tty2`. Because this modem is not an 801 dialer, a - (minus sign) is used as a placeholder in the *Line2* field. The *Class* field entry is a transmission rate of 1200 baud. The *Dialer* field part of the *Dialer-Token Pair* field is specified as a hayes modem, and the *Token* field part is left blank.

2. To specify a standard Hayes modem that can be used at different baud rates, make an entry as follows:

```
ACU tty3 - 1200 hayes
ACU tty3 - 300 hayes
```

These two lines specify the same modem, a hayes, which can be used at either 1200 or 300 baud, as specified in the *Class* field. The modem is connected to a device named `tty3` (the *Line* field), and the *Line2* field contains the - (minus sign) placeholder. The *Dialer* field part of the *Dialer-Token Pair* field is specified as a hayes modem, and the *Token* field is left blank.

3. To specify a standard Hayes modem that can be used at any baud rate, make an entry as follows:

```
ACU tty2 - Any hayes
```

These two lines specify a hayes modem that can be used at any baud rate, as specified by the word Any entered in the *Class* field. Note that the word Any must be entered with an uppercase A.

4. To specify a connection using a standard 801 dialer, make an entry as follows:

```
ACU tty4 tty5 1200 801
ACU tty6 tty7 300 801
```

In these entries, the ACU entries are connected to devices named `tty4` and `tty6`, specified in the *Line* field. In both cases, there is an entry in the *Line2* field because a standard 801 autodialer is specified in the *Dialer-Token Pair* field. Because 801 is specified as the dialer in these two examples, the *Line2* field must contain the device names of the 801 ACUs. The *Class* field entry specifies a transmission rate of 1200 baud for the first example and 300 for the second. The *Token* field part of the *Dialer-Token Pair* field is blank.

Setting Up the Entry for Use with TCP/IP

If your site is using the TCP/IP system, enter the following in the **Devices** file:

```
TCP - - - TCP
```

TCP is specified in the *Type* field. minus signs are used as placeholders in the *Line*, *Line2*, and *Class* fields. TCP is specified as the *Dialer* field entry, with the *Token* entry left blank.

Setting Up Entries for Both Local and Remote Systems

The following examples illustrate the entries needed in the **Devices** file for both local and remote systems in order for the two systems to communicate using the BNU program.

1. To configure a hardwired connection, note the following information.

The following entries configure local and remote **Devices** files for a hardwired connection between systems `zeus` and `hera`, where `zeus` is considered the local system and `hera` the remote system. The hardwired device on system `zeus` is `tty1`; on system `hera`, it is `tty2`.

The **Devices** file on system zeus contains the following entry in order to connect to the remote system, hera:

```
Direct tty1 - 1200 direct
hera tty1 - 1200 direct
```

The **Devices** file on system hera contains the following entry for communications with system zeus:

```
Direct tty2 - 1200 direct
zeus tty2 - 1200 direct
```

2. To configure a telephone connection, note the following information.

These files are set up to connect systems venus and merlin over a telephone line using modems. System venus is considered the local system, and system merlin is considered the remote system.

On both systems, the device tty1 is hooked to a hayes modem at 1200 baud. Both computers include partial phone numbers in their [/etc/uucp/Systems](#) files and dialing codes in their [/etc/uucp/Dialcodes](#) files.

The **Devices** file on system venus contains the following entry for the connection to system merlin:

```
ACU tty1 - 1200 hayes \T
```

The **Devices** file on system merlin contains the following entry for the connection to system venus:

```
ACU tty1 - 1200 hayes \T
```

Files

Item	Description
/etc/uucp directory	Contains all the configuration files for BNU, including the Devices file.
/etc/uucp/Dialcodes file	Contains dialing code abbreviations.
/etc/uucp/Dialers file	Specifies initial handshaking on a connection.
/etc/uucp/Systems file	Describes accessible remote systems.
/etc/uucp/Sysfiles file	Specifies possible alternative or augmentative files for /etc/uucp/Devices .

Related reference

[Sysfiles File Format for BNU](#)

Related information

[cu command](#)

[uucp command](#)

[Editing Devices File for Hardwired Connections](#)

Dialcodes File Format for BNU

Purpose

Contains the initial digits of telephone numbers used to establish remote connections over a phone line.

Description

The [/etc/uucp/Dialcodes](#) file contains the initial digits of telephone numbers used by the Basic Networking Utilities (BNU) program to establish remote connections over a phone line. The **Dialcodes** file

simplifies entries in the **/etc/uucp/Systems** file for sites where a number of device phone numbers have the same prefix.

If users at your site communicate regularly by way of telephone lines and modems to multiple systems all located at the same remote site, or to multiple systems located at different remote sites, use the dial-code abbreviations in the **/etc/uucp/Systems** file rather than entering the complete phone number of each remote modem in that file.

The **Dialcodes** file contains dial-code abbreviations and partial phone numbers that complete the telephone entries in the **/etc/uucp/Systems** file. Entries in the **Dialcodes** file contain an alphabetic prefix attached to a partial phone number that may include the following information in the order listed:

- Codes for an outside line
- Long-distance access codes
- A 1 (one) plus the area code (if the modem is out of the local area)
- The three-digit exchange number

The relevant alphabetic prefix (representing the partial phone number), together with the remaining four digits of that number, is then entered in the *Phone* field in the **/etc/uucp/Systems** file.

Following is the form of an entry in a **Dialcodes** file:

DialCodeAbbreviation DialingSequence

The *DialCodeAbbreviation* part of the entry is an alphabetic prefix containing up to 8 letters, established when setting up the dialing-code listing. The *DialingSequence* is composed of all the digits in the number that precede the actual four-digit phone number.

Note:

1. If your site uses only a relatively small number of telephone connections to remote systems, include the complete phone numbers of the remote modems in the **/etc/uucp/Systems** file rather than use dial-code abbreviations.
2. Enter each prefix *only once* in the **Dialcodes** file. When you have set up a dial-code abbreviation, use that prefix in all relevant entries in the **/etc/uucp/Systems** file.
3. Only someone with root user authority can edit the **Dialcodes** file, which is owned by the **uucp** program login ID.

Example

The **Dialcodes** file on system venus contains the following dial-code prefix for use with a number in the **/etc/uucp/Systems** file:

```
local 9=445
```

The **Systems** file on system venus contains the following entry for system zeus, including a phone number and a dialing prefix:

```
zeus Any ACU 1200 local8784 in:--in: uzeus word: thunder
```

When BNU on system venus dials system zeus, BNU uses the expanded telephone number 9=4458784.

Files

Item	Description
/etc/uucp directory	Contains all the configuration files for BNU, including the Dialcodes file.
/etc/uucp/Devices file	Contains information about available devices.
/etc/uucp/Dialers file	Specifies initial handshaking on a connection.

Item	Description
/etc/uucp/Systems file	Describes accessible remote systems.
/etc/uucp/Sysfiles file	Specifies possible files used instead of /etc/uucp/System file, /etc/uucp/Devices file, and /etc/uucp/Dialers file.

Related information

[cu command](#)

[tip command](#)

[Understanding the BNU File and Directory Structure](#)

Dialers File Format for BNU

Purpose

Lists modems used for Basic Networking Utilities (BNU) remote communications links.

Description

The [/etc/uucp/Dialers](#) file and its surrogates, specified in the [/etc/uucp/Sysfiles](#) file, lists the modems (dialers) used by the Basic Networking Utilities (BNU) program and specifies the initial handshaking necessary to establish remote communications links. Handshaking is a series of expect-send sequences that specify the initial communications that occur on a link before it is ready to send or receive data. Using the handshaking, the local and remote systems confirm that they are compatible and configured to transfer data.

The **Dialers** file(s) contains entries for each autodialer that is included in the [/etc/uucp/Devices](#) file or one of its surrogate files. Surrogate file are specified in the [/etc/uucp/Sysfiles](#) file. It also contains entries specifying no handshaking for direct hardware links (the `direct` entry) and TCP/IP links (the `TCP` entry). The first field of the **Dialers** file, which specifies the dialer, is matched to the fifth field of the **Devices** file, the *Dialer-Token Pair* field, to determine handshaking when making a connection.

Note: Only someone with root user authority can edit the **Dialers** file, which is owned by the **uucp** login ID.

Fields in a Dialers File

Every modem (dialer) is listed on a line by itself in the **Dialers** file. Each line consists of three groups of information: the *Dialer Name* field, the *Dial Tone and Wait Characters* field, and the *Handshaking* field.

Dialer Name Field

The first field in a **Dialers** file, the *Dialer Name* field, specifies the type of autodialer (modem) used in the connection. It matches the fifth field, the *Dialer-Token Pair* field, in the **Devices** file(s). When a particular device is used to make a connection, BNU uses the *Dialer-Token Pair* field in the **Devices** file(s) to find the handshaking entry in the **Dialers** file(s).

If your system has direct hardware connections to one or more remote systems, include an entry with a *Dialer Name* of `direct`. Similarly, if your system uses TCP/IP to connect to one or more other systems, include an entry with a *DialerName* of `TCP`. These entries correspond, respectively, to the word `direct` and the word `TCP` in the *Dialer-Token Pairs* field of entries in a **Devices** file. Omit the *Dial Tone and Wait Characters* field and the *Handshaking* field, since no handshaking is needed on these connections.

Dial Tone and Wait Characters Field

The second field, the *Dial Tone and Wait Characters* field, consists of two sets of two characters, for a total of four entries. These characters comprise a translation string. In the actual phone number of the remote modem, the first character in each string is mapped to the second character in that set.

Entry	Action
=, -,	Translate the telephone number. Any = (equal sign) represents <i>wait for dial tone</i> and any - (minus sign) represents <i>pause</i> .
" "	Wait for nothing; continue with the rest of the string.
WAIT=n	Enter this before any send string in the Dialers file, where n is the number of seconds to wait before timing out.

This field generally translates the = and - characters into whatever the dialer uses for *wait for dial tone* and *pause*.

For **direct** and **TCP** entries, omit this field.

Handshaking Field

The handshaking, or dialer negotiations, consists of an expect-send sequence of ASCII strings. This sequence is given in the *Handshaking* field, which comprises the remainder of the entry. This string is generally used to pass telephone numbers to a modem, or to make a connection to another system on the same data switch as the local system. The string tells the **cu** or **ct** program or the **uucico** daemon the sequence of characters to use to dial out on a particular type of modem. If the connection succeeds, the appropriate line from a **Dialers** file is interpreted to perform the dialer negotiations.

The handshaking characters include the following key sequences:

Sequence	Result
\c	Suppress new line (\n)
\D	Raw phone number
\T	Translated phone number
\N	Null character (\0)
\b	Backspace
\n	New line
\r	Carriage return
\s	Space
\t	Tab
\\	Backslash
\E	Turn echo check on
\e	Turn echo check off
\d	Delay two seconds
\p	Pause about 1/4 second
\K	Generate a break on the line
\M	Set tty setting CLOCAL on
\m	Turn tty setting CLOCAL off

For **direct** and **TCP** entries, omit this field.

Examples

Setting Up Entries in a Dialers File

1. The following example lists several entries in a typical **Dialers** file:


```

hayes =, -, " " \dAT\i\c OK \pATDT\T
\i\c CONNECT
penril =W-P " " \d > s\p9\c )-W\p\i\ds\p9\c-)
y/c : \E\T
P > 9\c OK
ventel =&-% " " \i\p \i\p-\i\p-$ <K\D%%\i>\c ;ONLINE!
vadic =K-K " " \005\p *- \005\p-* D\p BER? \E\D
\e \i\c
    LINE
direct
TCP

```

Note: In a **Dialers** file, each entry must be entirely on one line.

Notice that the next-to-last entry in the preceding example consists only of the word `direct`. This entry indicates that hardwired connections do not require any handshaking. Similarly, the last entry, `TCP`, indicates that TCP/IP connections require no handshaking.

2. The following example interprets the first line in the preceding **Dialers** file. This is a standard entry that may be included in your **Dialers** file with modifications for use at your site.

```

hayes =, -, " " \dAT\i\c OK \pATDT\T
\i\c CONNECT

```

The first two sequences (`=, -, " "`) comprise the *Dial Tone and Wait Characters* field. The remaining strings comprise the *Handshaking* field. Following is an explanation of how each entry affects the action of the dialer.

Entry	Action
<code>=, -,</code>	Translate the telephone number. Any <code>=</code> (equal sign) represents <i>wait for dial tone</i> and any <code>-</code> (minus sign) represents <i>pause</i> .
<code>" "</code>	Wait for nothing; continue with the rest of the string.
<code>\dAT</code>	Delay; then send AT (the Hayes Attention prefix).
<code>\i\c</code>	Send a carriage return (<code>\i</code>) followed by a new line (<code>\c</code>).
<code>OK</code>	Wait for OK from the remote modem, signaling that the first part of the string has executed.
<code>\pATDT</code>	Pause (<code>p</code>); then send ATDT. AT is the Hayes Attention prefix, D represents a dialing signal, and T represents a touch-tone dial tone.
<code>\T</code>	Send the telephone number, which is specified in the Systems file, with dial-code translation from the Dialcodes file.
<code>\i\c</code>	Send a carriage return and a new line following the number.
<code>CONNECT</code>	Wait for CONNECT from the remote modem, signaling that the modems are connected at the baud rate specified in the Devices file.

Note: If you need to modify this example for use at your site and are unsure about the appropriate entries in the handshaking string, refer to the documentation that accompanied the modems you are including in the **Dialers** file.

Setting Up the Direct Entry

If your BNU configuration includes hardwired connections, a **Dialers** file must contain a `direct` entry, as follows:

```
direct
```

This entry indicates that hardwired connections do not require any handshaking. It corresponds to the word `direct` in the *Dialer-Token Pairs* field of entries for hardwired devices in a **Devices** file (see the `/etc/uucp/Devices` file).

Setting Up the TCP/IP Entry

If your BNU configuration includes TCP/IP connections, the **Dialers** file used by the **uucico** service must contain a TCP entry, as follows:

```
TCP
```

This entry indicates that TCP/IP connections do not require any handshaking. It corresponds to the word TCP in the *Dialer-Token Pairs* field of entries for TCP/IP connections in the **uucico** service **Devices** file(s).

Setting Up Entries for Both Local and Remote Systems

The following example illustrates the entries needed in the **Dialers** file to correspond to entries in the **Devices** file for both local and remote systems so that the two systems can communicate using the BNU program.

These files are set up to connect systems venus and merlin over a telephone line using modems. System venus is considered the local system, and system merlin is considered the remote system. On both systems, the device tty1 is hooked to a hayes modem at 1200 baud.

- The **Devices** file on system venus contains the following entry for the connection to remote system merlin:

```
ACU tty1 - 1200 hayes
```

- The **Dialers** file on system venus contains the following entry for its modem:

```
hayes =,-, "" \dAT\x\c OK \pATDT\T  
\x\c CONNECT
```

- The **Devices** file on system merlin contains the following entry for the connection to system venus:

```
ACU tty1 - 1200 hayes
```

- The **Dialers** file on system merlin contains the following entry for its modem:

```
hayes =,-, "" \dAT\x\c OK \pATDT\T  
\x\c CONNECT
```

Note: The **Dialers** file and **Devices** file for the system venus and merlin can be files other than **/etc/uucp/Dialers** and **/etc/uucp/Devices**. Use of the **/etc/uucp/Sysfiles** file enables a system administrator to allow the use of one or more files on each system to replace or augment the **/etc/uucp/Dialers** and **/etc/uucp/Devices** file. See the **Sysfiles Files Format for BNU** in *Files Reference*.

Troubleshooting Connection Problems

Note: The **Dialer** and **Systems** files discussed in the section can be files other than **/etc/uucp/Dialers** and **/etc/uucp/Systems**. See the **Sysfiles Files Format for BNU** in *Files Reference*.

When establishing a connection between a local and a remote system using a telephone line and modem, the BNU program consults the **Dialers** file. (The BNU program also checks the **Systems** file to make sure it contains a listing for the specified remote computer.) If users report a faulty connection, use the **uucico** command to debug the connection problem. For example, if users are experiencing difficulties connecting to remote system venus, issue the following command:

```
/usr/sbin/uucp/uucico -r1 -svenus -x9
```

where **-r1** specifies the server mode, **-svenus** the name of the remote system to which you are trying to connect, and **-x9** the debug level that produces the most detailed debugging information.

Expect-send debugging output produced by the **uucico** command can come either from information in the **Dialers** file or from information in the **Systems** file. If the relevant line in the **Dialers** file is not set up correctly for the specified modem, the BNU program will probably display the following error message:

```
DIALER SCRIPT FAILED
```

If the dialer script fails, verify the following:

- Make sure that both the local and the remote modems are turned on, that they are both set up correctly, and that the telephone number of the remote modem is correct.
- Check the **Dialers** file and make sure the information is correctly specified for the local modem. If possible, also check the **Dialers** file on the remote system.
- Check the documentation that came with your modem to make sure you have used the correct expect-send sequence characters in the **Dialers** file.

Files

Item	Description
/etc/uucp directory	Contains all the configuration files for BNU, including the Dialers file.
/etc/uucp/Devices file	Contains information about available devices.
/etc/uucp/Dialcodes file	Contains dialing code abbreviations.
/etc/uucp/Systems file	Describes accessible remote systems.
/etc/uucp/Sysfiles file	Specifies possible alternative files for /etc/uucp/System , /etc/uucp/Dialers , and /etc/uucp/Devices .

Related information

[ct command](#)
[uucico command](#)
[Configuring BNU](#)

Dialing Directory File Format for ATE

Purpose

Lists phone numbers used to establish modem connections.

Description

The ATE dialing directory file lists phone numbers that the Asynchronous Terminal Emulation (ATE) uses to establish remote connections by modem.

Users name the dialing directory file with any valid file name and place it in any directory where read and write access is owned. Edit the dialing directory file with any ASCII text editor. The default dialing directory file is the **/usr/lib/dir** file.

The **connect** and **directory** subcommands of ATE access the dialing directory file. Use the **connect** command to use numbers that are not in the dialing directory file. Use the **directory** subcommand to view the dialing directory.

Users can have more than one dialing directory. To change the dialing directory file the ATE program uses, modify the **ate.def** file in the current directory.

Note: The dialing directory file can contain up to 20 lines (one entry per line). ATE ignores subsequent lines.

Format of Dialing Directory File Entries

The dialing directory file is similar to a page in a telephone book. This file contains entries for the remote systems called with the ATE program. The format of a dialing directory entry is:

Name Phone Rate Length StopBit Parity Echo Linefeed

The fields must be separated by at least one space. More spaces can be used to make each entry easier to read. The fields are:

Item	Description
<i>Name</i>	Identifies a telephone number. The name can be any combination of 20 or fewer characters. Use the _ (underscore) instead of a blank between words in a name, for example, data_bank.
<i>Phone</i>	The telephone number to be dialed. The number can be up to 40 characters. Consult the modem documentation for a list of acceptable digits and characters. For example, if a 9 must be dialed to access an outside line, include a 9 and a , (comma) before the telephone number as follows: 9,1112222. Note: Although the telephone number can be up to 40 characters long, the directory subcommand displays only the first 26 characters.
<i>Rate</i>	Transmission or baud rate in bits per second (bps). Determines the number of characters transmitted per second. Select a baud rate that is compatible with the communication line being used. The following are acceptable rates: 50, 75, 110, 134, 150, 300, 600, 1200, 1800, 2400, 4800, 9600, or 19,200.
<i>Length</i>	Number of bits that make up a character. The entry for the Length field can be 7 or 8.
<i>StopBit</i>	Stop bits that signal the end of a character. The entry for the StopBit field can be 1 or 2.
<i>Parity</i>	Checks whether a character was successfully transmitted to or from a remote system. The entry for the Parity field can be 0 (none), 1 (odd), or 2 (even).
<i>Echo</i>	Determines whether typed characters display locally. The entry for the Echo field can be 0 (off) or 1 (on).
<i>Linefeed</i>	Adds a line-feed character at the end of each line of data coming in from a remote system. The line-feed character is similar in function to the carriage-return and new-line characters. The entry for the Linefeed field can be 0 (off) or 1 (on).

Examples

Following is a sample dialing directory entry:

```
CompuAid      111-0000  1200  7  1  2  0  0
```

In this example, CompuAid is the [Name](#), 111-0000 is the [Phone](#), 1200 is the [Rate](#), 7 is the [Length](#), 1 is the [StopBit](#), 2 is the [Parity](#), the first 0 is the [Echo](#), and the second 0 is the [Linefeed](#).

Files

Item	Description
ate.def	Contains ATE default values.
/usr/lib/dir	Contains the default dialing directory listing.

Related information

[ate command](#)

[Asynchronous Terminal Emulation](#)

DOMAIN Cache File Format for TCP/IP

Purpose

Defines the root name server or servers for a DOMAIN name server host.

Description

The **cache** file is one of the DOMAIN data files and contains the addresses of the servers that are authoritative name servers for the root domain of the network. The name of this file is defined in the **named** boot file. If the host serves more than one domain, the cache file should contain an entry for the authoritative name server for each domain.

All entries in this file must be in Standard Resource Record Format. Valid resource records in this file are:

- Name Server (NS)
- Address (A)

Except for comments (starting with a ; [semicolon] and continuing to the end of the line), the resource records in the data files generally follow the format of the resource records that the **named** daemon returns in response to queries from resolver routines.

Examples

The following examples show the various ways to use the cache data file. This example is valid for any name server or either of the two networks.

Network abc consists of:

- gobi.abc, the primary name server for the abc network, 192.9.201.2
- mojava.abc, a host machine, 192.9.201.6
- sandy.abc, secondary name server for the abc network and gateway between abc and xyz, 192.9.201.3

Network xyz consists of:

- kalahari.xyz, primary name server for the xyz network, 160.9.201.4
- lopnor.xyz, a host machine, 160.9.201.5
- sahara.xyz, a host machine and cache-only name server for the xyz network, 160.9.201.13
- sandy.xyz, a secondary name server for the xyz network and gateway between abc and xyz, 160.9.201.3

Note: sandy, a gateway host, is on both networks and also serves as secondary name server for both.

The following are sample entries in a DOMAIN cache file on any of the name servers in either of the domains:

```
;
;cache file for all nameservers in both domains
;
; root name servers.
abc                IN      NS      gobi.abc.
xyz                IN      NS      kalahari.xyz.
gobi.abc.          3600000  IN      A       192.9.201.2
kalahari.xyz       3600000  IN      A       160.9.201.4
```

Files

Item	Description
<u>/etc/named.conf</u>	Defines how the named daemon initializes the DOMAIN name server file.
<u>/usr/samples/tcpip/named.conf</u>	Sample named.conf file, which also contains directions for its use.
<u>/usr/samples/tcpip/named.data</u>	Sample named.data file, which also contains directions for its use.

Related reference

[DOMAIN Data File Format for TCP/IP](#)

[DOMAIN Reverse Data File Format for TCP/IP](#)

[DOMAIN Local Data File Format for TCP/IP](#)

Related information

[named command](#)

DOMAIN Data File Format for TCP/IP

Purpose

Stores name resolution information for the **named** daemon.

Description

The host's data file is one of the DOMAIN data files and contains name-to-address resolution mapping information for all machines in the name server's zone of authority. The name of the host's data file is specified in the **named** boot file. This file should exist only on name servers that are designated as *primary* for a domain. There may be more than one host's data file per primary name server.

All entries in this file must be in [Standard Resource Record Format](#). Valid resource records in this file are:

- Start of Authority ([SOA](#))
- Name Server ([NS](#))
- Address ([A](#))
- Mailbox ([MB](#))
- Mail Exchanger ([MX](#))
- Mail Group ([MG](#))
- Mail Rename ([MR](#))
- Canonical Name ([CNAME](#))
- Well Known Services ([WKS](#))
- Host Information ([HINFO](#))

Except for comments (starting with a ; (semicolon) and continuing to the end of the line), the resource records in the data files generally follow the format of the resource records that the **named** daemon returns in response to queries from resolver routines.

Two **awk** scripts, **addrs.awk** and **hosts.awk**, are provided in the **/usr/samples/tcpip** directory to assist you in converting your existing **/etc/hosts** file to DOMAIN data files. The **awk** scripts also contain instructions for their use. Refer to these files for more information on the conversion.

Examples

The following examples show the various ways to use the DOMAIN host's data file. In these examples, two networks are represented: **abc** and **xyz**.

Network **abc** consists of:

- **gobi.abc**, the primary name server for the **abc** network, **192.9.201.2**
- **mojave.abc**, a host machine, **192.9.201.6**
- **sandy.abc**, secondary name server for the **abc** network and gateway between **abc** and **xyz**, **192.9.201.3**

Network **xyz** consists of:

- **kalahari.xyz**, primary name server for the **xyz** network, **160.9.201.4**

- lopnor.xyz, a host machine, 160.9.201.5
- sahara.xyz, a host machine and cache-only name server for the xyz network, 160.9.201.13
- sandy.xyz, a secondary name server for the xyz network and gateway between abc and xyz, 160.9.201.3

Note: Host sandy, a gateway host, is on both networks and also serves as secondary name server for both.

1. The primary host data file for network abc, stored on host gobi.abc, contains the following entries:

```
;
;primary host data file for abc - gobi.abc
;
@           IN          SOA      gobi.abc.  root.gobi.abc.  (
                                1.1      ;serial
                                3600    ;refresh
                                600     ;retry
                                3600000;expire
                                86400   ;minimum
                                )
;name servers for abc
                                IN      NS      gobi.abc.
;other name servers
                                IN      NS      kalahari.xyz.
kalahari.xyz.  IN          A       160.9.201.4
;
;define local loopback host
localhost     IN          A       127.1
;
;define all hosts in abc
loopback IN      CNAME     localhost.abc
gobi        IN      A       192.9.201.2
gobi-abc IN      CNAME     gobi.abc
sandy       IN      A       192.9.201.3
            IN      WKS     192.9.201.3
udp tftp nameserver domain
            IN      WKS     192.9.201.3 tcp (
                                echo telnet smtp discard uucp-path
                                systat daytime netstat chargen ftp
                                time whois finger hostnames domain
                                )
sandy-abc    IN          CNAME     sandy.abc
mojave       IN          A       192.9.201.6
            IN          HINFO     System ABC 3.1
mojave-abc   IN          CNAME     mojave.abc.
```

2. The primary host data file for network xyz, stored on host kalahari.xyz, contains the following entries:

```
;
;primary host data file for xyz - kalahari.xyz
;
@           IN          SOA      kalahari.xyz.  root.kalahari.xyz.  (
                                1.1      ;serial
                                3600    ;refresh
                                600     ;retry
                                3600000;expire
                                86400   ;minimum
                                )
;
;nameservers for xyz
                                IN      NS      kalahari.xyz.
;
;other nameservers
                                IN      NS      gobi.abc.
gobi.abc.     IN          A       192.9.201.2
;
;define local loopback host
localhost     IN          A       127.1
;
;define all hosts in xyz
loopback IN      CNAME     localhost.xyz.
kalahari IN      A       160.9.201.4
ns-xyz       IN      CNAME     kalahari.xyz.
kalahari-xyz IN      CNAME     kalahari.xyz.
```

sahara	IN	HINFO	System ABC 3.1
	IN	A	160.9.201.13
	IN	WKS	160.9.201.13 (
			udp tftp nameserver domain
	IN	WKS)
			160.9.201.13 tcp (
			echo telnet smtp discard uucp-path
			systat daytime netstat chargen ftp
			time whois finger hostnames domain
)
	IN	HINFO	System ABC 3.1
lopnor	IN	A	160.9.201.5
lopnor-xyz	IN	CNAME	lopnor.xyz.
	IN	HINFO	System ABC 3.1
sandy	IN	A	160.9.201.3

Files

Item	Description
/etc/named.conf	Defines how the named daemon initializes the DOMAIN name server file.
/usr/samples/tcpip/addr.s.awk	Sample awk script for converting an /etc/hosts file to an /etc/named.rev file. The awk script also contains directions for its use.
/usr/samples/tcpip/hosts.awk	Sample awk script for converting an /etc/hosts file to an /etc/named.data file. The awk script also contains directions for its use.
/usr/samples/tcpip/named.conf	Sample named.conf file, which also contains directions for its use.
/usr/samples/tcpip/named.data	Sample named.data file, which also contains directions for its use.

Related reference

[DOMAIN Cache File Format for TCP/IP](#)
[DOMAIN Reverse Data File Format for TCP/IP](#)
[Standard Resource Record Format for TCP/IP](#)

Related information

[named command](#)
[TCP/IP name resolution](#)

DOMAIN Local Data File Format for TCP/IP

Purpose

Defines the local loopback information for the **named** daemon on the name server host.

Description

The local data file is one of the DOMAIN data files and contains local loopback information for the name-server host. The name of the DOMAIN local data files is specified in the **named** boot file.

All entries in this file must be in [Standard Resource Record Format](#). Valid resource records in the local data file are:

- Start of Authority ([SOA](#))
- Name Server ([NS](#))
- Pointer ([PTR](#))

The records in the DOMAIN data files are called **resource records**. Except for comments (starting with a ; (semicolon) and continuing to the end of the line), the resource records in the data files generally follow the format of the resource records that the **named** daemon returns in response to queries from resolver routines.

Examples

The following examples show the various ways to use the DOMAIN local data file. In these examples, two networks are represented: **abc** and **xyz**.

Network **abc** consists of:

- **gobi.abc**, the primary name server for the **abc** network, 192.9.201.2
- **mojave.abc**, a host machine, 192.9.201.6
- **sandy.abc**, secondary name server for the **abc** network and gateway between **abc** and **xyz**, 192.9.201.3.

Network **xyz** consists of:

- **kalahari.xyz**, primary name server for the **xyz** network, 160.9.201.4
- **lopnor.xyz**, a host machine, 160.9.201.5
- **sahara.xyz**, a host machine and cache-only name server for the **xyz** network, 160.9.201.13
- **sandy.xyz**, a secondary name server for the **xyz** network and gateway between **abc** and **xyz**, 160.9.201.3

Note: Host **sandy**, a gateway host, is on both networks and also serves as secondary name server for both.

1. The **named.abclocal** file stored on **gobi.abc** contains the following entries:

```
;
;primary reverse file for local 127 network
;
@           IN      SOA      gobi.abc.  root.gobi.abc.
                        (
                        1.1      ;serial
                        3600     ;refresh
                        600      ;retry
                        3600000  ;expire
                        86400    ;minimum
                        )
1           IN      NS       gobi.abc.
           IN      PTR      localhost.
```

2. The **named.xyzlocal** file stored on **kalahari.xyz** contains the following entries:

```
;
;primary reverse file for local 127 network
;
@           IN      SOA      kalahari.xyz.  root.kalahari.xyz.
                        (
                        1.1      ;serial
                        3600     ;refresh
                        600      ;retry
                        3600000  ;expire
                        86400    ;minimum
                        )
1           IN      NS       kalahari.xyz.
           IN      PTR      localhost.
```

3. The **named.seclocal** file stored on **sandy** contains the following entries:

```
;
;primary reverse file for local 127 network
;
@           IN      SOA      sandy.abc.  root.sandy.abc.
                        (
                        1.1      ;serial
                        3600     ;refresh
```

```

                                600      ;retry
                                3600000;expire
                                86400    ;minimum
                                )
1          IN      NS      sandy.abc.
          IN      PTR     localhost.

```

4. The **named.calocal** file stored on `sahara.xyz` contains the following entries:

```

;
;primary reverse file for local 127 network
;
@          IN      SOA      sahara.xyz.  root.sahara.xyz.
                                (
                                1.1      ;serial
                                3600     ;refresh
                                600      ;retry
                                3600000;expire
                                86400    ;minimum
                                )
1          IN      NS      sahara.xyz.
          IN      PTR     localhost.

```

Files

Item	Description
<u>/etc/named.conf</u>	Defines how the named daemon initializes the DOMAIN name-server file.
<u>/usr/samples/tcpip/named.conf</u>	Sample named.conf file, which also contains directions for its use.
<u>/usr/samples/tcpip/named.data</u>	Sample named.data file, which also contains directions for its use.

Related reference
[DOMAIN Cache File Format for TCP/IP](#)
Related information
[named command](#)
[TCP/IP name resolution](#)

DOMAIN Reverse Data File Format for TCP/IP

Purpose

Stores reverse name resolution information for the **named** daemon.

Description

The Reverse Data file is one of the DOMAIN data files and contains address to name resolution mapping information for all machines in the name server's zone of authority. The name of the reverse hosts data file is specified in the **named** boot file. There may be more than one reverse hosts data file per primary name server.

All entries in this file must be in [Standard Resource Record Format](#). Valid resource records in this file are:

- Start of Authority ([SOA](#))
- Name Server ([NS](#))
- Pointer ([PTR](#))

Except for comments (starting with a ; (semicolon) and continuing to the end of the line), the resource records in the data files generally follow the format of the resource records that the **named** daemon returns in response to queries from resolver routines.

Two **awk** scripts, **addrs.awk** and **hosts.awk**, are provided in the **/usr/samples/tcpip** directory to assist you in converting your existing **/etc/hosts** file to **named** data files. The **awk** scripts also contain instructions for their use. Refer to these files for more information on the conversion.

Examples

The following examples show the various ways to use the DOMAIN Reverse Data file. In these examples, two networks are represented: **abc** and **xyz**.

Network **abc** consists of:

- **gobi.abc**, the primary name server for the **abc** network, **192.9.201.2**
- **mojave.abc**, a host machine, **192.9.201.6**
- **sandy.abc**, secondary name server for the **abc** network and gateway between **abc** and **xyz**, **192.9.201.3**

Network **xyz** consists of:

- **kalahari.xyz**, primary name server for the **xyz** network, **160.9.201.4**
- **lopnor.xyz**, a host machine and cache-only name server for the **xyz** network, **160.9.201.5**
- **sahara.xyz**, a host machine, **160.9.201.13**
- **sandy.xyz**, a secondary name server for the **xyz** network and gateway between **abc** and **xyz**, **160.9.201.3**

Note: Host **sandy**, a gateway host, is on both networks and also serves as secondary name server for both.

1. The reverse data file for **gobi.abc**, primary name server for network **abc**, contains these entries:

```
;
;primary reverse host data file for abc - gobi.abc
;
@                IN      SOA      gobi.abc.  root.gobi.abc. (
                        1:1      ;serial
                        3600      ;refresh
                        600       ;retry
                        3600000    ;expire
                        86400      ;minimum
                        )

;nameservers for abc
                        IN      NS      gobi.abc.
;other nameservers
                        IN      NS      kalahari.xyz.
4.201.9.160.in-addr.arpa  IN      PTR    kalahari.xyz
;
;define all hosts in abc
2                        IN      PTR    gobi.abc.
3                        IN      PTR    sandy.abc.
6                        IN      PTR    mojave.abc.
```

2. The reverse data file for **kalahari.xyz**, primary name server for network **xyz**, contains these entries:

```
;
;primary reverse host data file for xyz - kalahari.xyz
;
@                IN      SOA      kalahari.xyz. root.kalahari.xyz. (
                        1:1      ;serial
                        3600      ;refresh
                        600       ;retry
                        3600000    ;expire
                        86400      ;minimum
                        )

;nameservers for xyz
                        IN      NS      kalahari.xyz.
;other nameservers
                        IN      NS      gobi.abc.
2.201.9.192.in-addr.arpa  IN      PTR    gobi.abc
;
;define all hosts in xyz
```

4.201	IN	PTR	kalahari.xyz.
13.201	IN	PTR	sahara.xyz.
5.201	IN	PTR	lopnotr.xyz.
3.201	IN	PTR	sandy.xyz.

Files

Item	Description
<u>/etc/named.conf</u>	Defines how the named daemon initializes the DOMAIN name server file.
<u>/usr/samples/tcpip/addrns.awk</u>	Sample awk script for converting an /etc/hosts file to an /etc/named.rev file. The awk script also contains directions for its use.
<u>/usr/samples/tcpip/hosts.awk</u>	Sample awk script for converting an /etc/hosts file to an /etc/named.data file. The awk script also contains directions for its use.
<u>/usr/samples/tcpip/named.conf</u>	Contains a sample named.conf file, which also contains directions for its use.
<u>/usr/samples/tcpip/named.data</u>	Contains a sample named.data file, which also contains directions for its use.

Related reference

[DOMAIN Cache File Format for TCP/IP](#)

[DOMAIN Data File Format for TCP/IP](#)

Related information

[named command](#)

[Name server resolution](#)

eqnchar File Format

Purpose

Contains special character definitions for the **eqn** and **neqn** commands.

Description

The **/usr/share/lib/pub/eqnchar** file contains the following **troff** and **nroff** command character definitions not ordinarily available on a phototypesetter or printer. These definitions are primarily intended for use with the **eqn** and **neqn** commands. The **eqnchar** file format contains definitions for the characters shown in the following character definition list.

This illustration shows symbols commonly used in equations.

cplus	\oplus	l	\parallel	square	\square
cimes	\otimes	langle	\langle	circle	\bigcirc
wig	\sim	rangle	\rangle	blot	\blacksquare
-wig	\Re	hbar	\hbar	bullet	\bullet
>wig	\Im	ppd	\perp	prop	\propto
<wig	\Im	\leftrightarrow	\leftrightarrow	empty	\emptyset
-wig	\Re	\longleftrightarrow	\longleftrightarrow	member	\in
star	$*$	l<	\nless	nonmem	\notin
bigstar	$*$	l>	\ngtr	cup	\cup
-dot	\doteq	ang	\angle	cap	\cap
orsign	\vee	rang	\sphericalangle	incl	\sqsubseteq
andsign	\wedge	3dot	\vdots	subset	\subset
-del	\triangle	thf	\therefore	supset	\supset
oppA	\forall	quarter	$\frac{1}{4}$	lsubset	\subseteq
oppE	\exists	3quarter	$\frac{3}{4}$	lsupset	\supseteq
angstrom	\AA	degree	$^\circ$	scrL	ℓ

The `/usr/share/lib/pub/cateqnchar` file is device-independent and should produce output that looks reasonable on any device supported by the **troff** command. You can link the `/usr/share/lib/pub/eqnchar` file to the `/usr/share/lib/pub/cateqnchar` file.

The **eqnchar** file format can be used with either the **eqn** or **neqn** command and then piped to the **troff** or **nroff** command. For example:

```
eqn /usr/share/lib/pub/eqnchar [ Flag... ] [ - ] [ File... ] | troff [ Flag... ]
```

```
eqn /usr/share/lib/pub/cateqnchar [ Flag... ] [ - ] [ File... ] | troff [ Flag... ]
```

```
neqn /usr/share/lib/pub/eqnchar [ Flag... ] [ - ] [ File... ] | nroff [ Flag... ]
```

Files

Item	Description
<code>/usr/share/lib/pub/cateqnchar</code>	Contains the character definitions for troff -supported device.

Related information

[eqn command](#)

[mm command](#)

[neqn command](#)

[troff command](#)

/etc/ftpd.cnf File Format for TCP/IP

Purpose

Specifies the configuration parameters of the `ftpd` daemon to start a transport layer security (TLS) session.

Description

The `/etc/ftpd.cnf` file is an ASCII file that contains configuration parameters of the `ftpd` daemon to set up a TLS session upon receiving a TLS request from an `ftp` client.

The `/etc/ftpd.cnf` file contains the following entries separated by spaces, tabs, or new lines:

Item	Description
CRL_PATH	Specifies the path to the certificate-revocation-list file in privacy enhanced mail (PEM) format. If the CRL_PATH entry is specified, the digital certificate that the client provides is verified against the certificate revocation list. If the <code>ftp</code> client is not using a digital certificate, the connection fails. If the client provides a digital certificate, but the certificate has been revoked, the TLS session fails. If this parameter is not specified, the client does not have to provide a digital certificate.
CA_PATH	Specifies the path to the trusted certificate-authority file in PEM format. If the CA_PATH entry is specified, the client certificate is verified against the certificate authority. If the client does not provide a digital certificate, the connection fails. If the client provides a digital certificate, but the certificate authority has not signed the certificate, the TLS session fails. If this parameter is not specified, the client does not have to provide a digital certificate.
CIPHER_LIST	Specifies the list that is used during the TLS session. If it is not specified, a default cipher list is used.
DEPTH	Verify the certificate that the <code>ftp</code> client provides in the digital certificate hierarchy, if the CA_PATH configuration parameter has been specified. If the DEPTH entry is not provided, a default value of 9 is used.
CERTIFICATE	Specifies the path to a valid chain of digital-certificates files in PEM format. This entry must be specified to start a TLS session. If this entry is not specified, the <code>ftpd</code> server rejects all TLS requests.
CERTIFICATE_PRIVATE_KEY	Specifies the path to the certificate private key in PEM format. This entry must be specified to start a TLS session. If this entry is not specified, the <code>ftpd</code> server rejects all TLS requests.
DH_PARAMETERS_DIR	Specifies the path to a directory containing Diffie-Helman parameters in PEM format. More than one file can be included in this directory. The <code>ftpd</code> daemon searches for the appropriate parameter.

Examples

The following is an example of an entry in the `/etc/ftpd.cnf` file:

```
CRL_PATH          /crl.pem
CA_PATH           /ca.pem
CIPHER_LIST       ALL:!ADH:!LOW:!EXP:!MD5:@STRENGTH
DEPTH            2
CERTIFICATE       /cert.pem
```

```
CERTIFICATE_PRIVATE_KEY /privatekey.pem
DH_PARAMETERS_DIR       /DH_DIR
```

Files

Item	Description
<code>/usr/samples/tcpip/ftpd.cnf</code>	Sample <code>ftpd.cnf</code> file

Related information

[ftpd command](#)

`/etc/security/rtc/rtcd.conf` file format for real-time compliance

Purpose

Contains configuration information for the `rtcd` daemon.

Description

The `/etc/security/rtc/rtcd.conf` file is the configuration file for the `rtcd` daemon. This file is updated by the **mkrtc** command when configuring the real-time compliance subsystem. You can modify the `/etc/security/rtc/rtcd.conf` file by using a file editor. If the real-time compliance subsystem is configured and running, any change to this file becomes effective immediately and it is not necessary to restart the **rtcd** daemon.

Each line is of the form:

```
attribute: value
```

The `/etc/security/rtc/rtcd.conf` file has the following attributes:

- **alertStyle**

Specifies the alert style. The valid values follows:

- **once**

Alert once for the same set of compliance violations. This is default value.

- **event**

Alert once for the same set of compliance violations, but keep alerting for each file modification event.

- **always**

Alert compliance violations and file modification on each file change event.

- **alertMsgSize**

Specifies the alert message size. The limited size is suitable for email addresses that are directed at the smartphone SMS messaging. The valid values follows:

- **verbose**

Provides the entire message. This is the default value.

- **limited**

Limits the size of the alert message to the first violation and the first event. If there are more than one violations or events, it is indicated in the message.

- **debug**

Specifies whether to turn on debug messages on. The valid values are **on** and **off**. The default value is **off**.

- **email**

Specifies the email address to which the alerts will be sent. It allows multiple *email:<email address>* pairs, each pair on a separate line.

- **infolevel**

Specifies the information level of file modification events. The valid values are **1**, **2**, and **3**. The default value is 1. A higher value indicates more details.

- **emailSubject**

Specifies the subject line that is used for the email alert.

- **minCheckTime**

Specifies the minimum amount of time between compliance verifications. This setting ensures regular compliance check without file modification triggers, to check whether the files created by user have compliance implications. For example, the **.rhost** file in the home directory of a user can be checked by using this setting. The default minimum time is 30 minutes. If this value is set to 0, the compliance check is never done.

- **snmptrap**

Specifies the parameters for the **snmptrap** notifications. See the `snmptrap` command for setting the parameters for the **snmptrap** notifications. To enable the **snmptrap** alert, set it to **yes**. To disable the **snmptrap** alert, set it to **no**. The following parameters are set to disable the **snmptrap** alert:

```
snmptrap_enable: no
snmptrap_host:localhost
snmptrap_community:myCommunity
snmptrap_oid:myOid
```

Security

The `/etc/security/rtc/rtcd.conf` file is owned by the root user and the security group. The `/etc/security/rtc/rtcd.conf` file grants read (r) and write (w) access only to the root user.

Examples

The following list is an example of an entry in the `/etc/security/rtc/rtcd.conf` file:

- Lists the email addresses to send alerts to.

```
email: foo@abc.com
email: dummy@abc.com
```

- Specifies the subject of the email alert:

```
emailSubject: Compliance Alert
```

- Specifies the information level of file modifications:

```
infolevel: 1
```

- Specifies the alertStyle attribute of the email alert:

```
alertStyle: once
```

- Specifies whether to turn on debug.

```
debug: on
```

`/etc/security/rtc/rtcd_policy.conf` file format for real-time compliance

Purpose

Defines a list of files and the associated events to be monitored by the real-time compliance subsystem.

Description

The `/etc/security/rtc/rtcd_policy.conf` file contains a list of files and the associated events to be monitored by the real-time compliance subsystem. The file is a stanza file with each stanza name being a file name followed by a colon.

The attributes are in the following form:

```
attribute: value
```

Any change to this file becomes effective immediately, it is not required to restart the **rtcd** daemon.

Users can add or remove files from the `/etc/security/rtc/rtcd_policy.conf` file using the **chsec** command. It is recommended to stop the real-time compliance subsystem if you are adding large number of files using the **chsec** command to avoid potential alerts from these additions.

The `/etc/security/rtc/rtcd_policy.conf` file has the following attribute:

- **eventtype**

Defines the even type to be monitored. It can be one or both of the following values, separated by a comma:

- ModFile**

- File content modifications.

- modFileAttr**

- File attribute modifications.

Security

The `/etc/security/rtc/rtcd_policy.conf` file is owned by the root user and the security group. It grants read (r) and write (w) access only to the root user.

Examples

The following are examples of an entry in the `/etc/security/rtc/rtcd.conf` file:

```
/etc/inetd.conf:
    eventtype = modFile
```

```
/etc/security/audit/config:
    eventtype = modFile,modFileAttr
```

```
/usr/bin/chsec:
    eventtype = modFileAttr
```

`/etc/ftpd.cnf` File Format for TCP/IP

Purpose

Specifies the configuration parameters of the `ftpd` daemon to start a transport layer security (TLS) session.

Description

The `/etc/ftpd.cnf` file is an ASCII file that contains configuration parameters of the `ftpd` daemon to set up a TLS session upon receiving a TLS request from an `ftp` client.

The `/etc/ftpd.cnf` file contains the following entries separated by spaces, tabs, or new lines:

Item	Description
CRL_PATH	Specifies the path to the certificate-revocation-list file in privacy enhanced mail (PEM) format. If the CRL_PATH entry is specified, the digital certificate that the client provides is verified against the certificate revocation list. If the ftp client is not using a digital certificate, the connection fails. If the client provides a digital certificate, but the certificate has been revoked, the TLS session fails. If this parameter is not specified, the client does not have to provide a digital certificate.
CA_PATH	Specifies the path to the trusted certificate-authority file in PEM format. If the CA_PATH entry is specified, the client certificate is verified against the certificate authority. If the client does not provide a digital certificate, the connection fails. If the client provides a digital certificate, but the certificate authority has not signed the certificate, the TLS session fails. If this parameter is not specified, the client does not have to provide a digital certificate.
CIPHER_LIST	Specifies the list that is used during the TLS session. If it is not specified, a default cipher list is used.
DEPTH	Verify the certificate that the ftp client provides in the digital certificate hierarchy, if the <i>CA_PATH</i> configuration parameter has been specified. If the DEPTH entry is not provided, a default value of 9 is used.
CERTIFICATE	Specifies the path to a valid chain of digital-certificates files in PEM format. This entry must be specified to start a TLS session. If this entry is not specified, the ftpd server rejects all TLS requests.
CERTIFICATE_PRIVATE_KEY	Specifies the path to the certificate private key in PEM format. This entry must be specified to start a TLS session. If this entry is not specified, the ftpd server rejects all TLS requests.
DH_PARAMETERS_DIR	Specifies the path to a directory containing Diffie-Helman parameters in PEM format. More than one file can be included in this directory. The ftpd daemon searches for the appropriate parameter.

Examples

The following is an example of an entry in the */etc/ftpd.cnf* file:

```
CRL_PATH          /crl.pem
CA_PATH           /ca.pem
CIPHER_LIST       ALL:!ADH:!LOW:!EXP:!MD5:@STRENGTH
DEPTH            2
CERTIFICATE       /cert.pem
CERTIFICATE_PRIVATE_KEY /privatekey.pem
DH_PARAMETERS_DIR /DH_DIR
```

Files

Item	Description
<i>/usr/samples/tcpip/ftpd.cnf</i>	Sample <i>ftpd.cnf</i> file

Related information

[ftpd command](#)

/etc/tnc_config File

Purpose

Stores the information on the various Integrity Measurement Collector (IMC) and Integrity Measurement Verifier (IMV) modules configured on the system.

Description

The **/etc/tnc_config** file is a Trusted Network Connect (TNC) standard configuration file. It stores the information on the various IMC and IMV modules configured on the system.

Format

ModuleType

Specifies type of the module, whether it is IMC or IMV.

Comment

Specifies the comment on the module.

ModulePath

Specifies the path of the module shared object.

The TNC server and client daemons use this configuration to load the various modules configured on the system. The modules should be standard shared library archives, and the *dlopen()* calls is used to read the symbols.

Examples

```
IMC      "FILESETS"    /usr/lib/security/tnc/imc_filesets.a(shr.o)
```

.ftpcnf File Format for TCP/IP

Purpose

Specifies configuration parameters of the **ftp** command to start a transport layer security (TLS) session.

Description

The **\$HOME/.ftpcnf** file is an ASCII file that contains configuration parameters of the **ftp** command to set up a TLS session.

The **\$HOME/.ftpcnf** file contains the following entries separated by spaces, tabs, or new lines:

Item	Description
CRL_PATH	Specifies the path to the certificate-revocation-list file in privacy enhanced mail (PEM) format. If you specify the CRL_PATH entry, the digital certificate that the server provides is verified against the certificate revocation list. If the certificate has been revoked, the TLS session fails. If you do not specify the CRL_PATH entry, the digital certificate is not verified against a certificate revocation list.
CA_PATH	Specify the path to the trusted certificate-authority file in PEM format. If you specify the CA_PATH entry, the server certificate is verified against the certificate authority. If the certificate authority has not signed the digital certificate that the server provides, the TLS session fails. If you do not specify the CA_PATH entry, the digital certificate that the server provides is not verified against a trusted certificate authority.

Item	Description
CIPHER_LIST	Specifies the list that is used during the TLS session. If you do not specify the CIPHER_LIST entry, a default cipher list is used.
DEPHT	Verifies the certificate that the <code>ftpd</code> server provides in the digital certificate hierarchy, if you have specified the <code>CA_PATH</code> configuration parameter. If you do not provide the DEPHT entry, a default value of 9 is used.
CERTIFICATE	Specifies the path to a valid chain of digital certificates in PEM format. If you specify the CERTIFICATE entry, the <code>ftp</code> command uses the digital certificate chain during the TLS session.
CERTIFICATE_PRIVATE_KEY	Specifies the path to the private key corresponding to the certificate in PEM format.

Examples

The following is an example of an entry in the `.ftpconf` file:

```
CRL_PATH           /home/USERNAME/crl.pem
CA_PATH            /home/USERNAME/ca.pem
CIPHER_LIST        ALL:!ADH:!LOW:!EXP:!MD5:@STRENGTH
DEPHT              2
CERTIFICATE         /home/USERNAME/cert.pem
CERTIFICATE_PRIVATE_KEY /home/USERNAME/privatekey.pem
```

Files

Item	Description
/usr/samples/tcpip/.ftpcnf	Sample <code>.ftpcnf</code> file.

Related information

[ftp command](#)

ftpusers File Format for TCP/IP

Purpose

Specifies local user names that cannot be used by remote FTP clients.

Description

The `/etc/ftpusers` file contains a list of local user names that the `ftpd` server does *not* allow remote File Transfer Protocol (FTP) clients to use. The format of the `ftpusers` file is a simple list of user names that also appear in the `/etc/passwd` file.

Entries to this file can be made using the System Management Interface Tool (SMIT) or the `ruser` command.

Examples

The following are sample entries in an `ftpusers` file:

```
root
guest
ftp
joan
UUCP
```

Files

Item	Description
/etc/passwd	Contains user authentication information.

Related information

[ruser command](#)

[ftpd command](#)

gated.conf File Format for TCP/IP

Purpose

Contains configuration information for the **gated** daemon.

Description

The **/etc/gated.conf** file contains configuration information for the **gated** daemon. The file contains a sequence of statements. Statements are composed of tokens separated by white space. You can create white space using any combination of blanks, tabs, and new lines. The **gated.conf** file supports several statements:

Item	Description
%directory (directive)	Sets the directory for include files.
%include (directive)	Includes a file into gated.conf .
traceoptions (trace)	Specifies which events are traced.
options (definition)	Defines gated.conf options.
interfaces (definition)	Defines gated.conf interfaces.
autonomoussystem	Defines the AS number.
routerid (definition)	Defines the originating router (BGP, OSPF).
martians (definition)	Defines invalid destination addresses.
rip (protocol)	Enables RIP protocol.
ripng	Enables or disables RIPNG. If the RIPNG statement is not specified, the default is ripng on ;. The options are the same for RIPNG as they are for RIP, but all the addresses will be IPv6 addresses.
hello (protocol)	Enables HELLO protocol.
isis (protocol)	Enables ISIS protocol.
ospf (protocol)	Enables OSPF protocol.
EGP (protocol)	Enables EGP protocol.
bgp (protocol)	Enables BGP protocol.
bgp4+	The options are the same as bgp but all the addresses will be IPv6 addresses.
icmp (protocol)	Configures the processing of general ICMP packets.
snmp (protocol)	Enables reporting to SNMP.
static (static)	Defines static routes.
import (control)	Defines which routes to import.

Item	Description
export (control)	Defines which routes to export.
aggregate (control)	Defines which routes to aggregate.
generate (control)	Defines which routes to generate.

Directive Statements

Directive statements provide direction to the **gated.conf** configuration language parser about included files and the directories in which these files reside. Directive statements are immediately acted upon by the parser. Other statements terminate with a semi-colon (;), but directive statements terminate with a newline. The two directive statements are:

Item	Description
%directory " <i>directory</i> "	Defines the directory where the include files are stored. When it is used, gated.conf looks in the directory identified by pathname for any included files that do not have a fully qualified filename, that is, do not begin with "/". This statement does not actually change the current directory, it just specifies the prefix applied to included file names.
%include " <i>filename</i> "	Identifies an include file. The contents of the file are <i>included</i> in the gated.conf file at the point in the gated.conf file where the %include directive is encountered. If the filename is not fully qualified, that is, does not begin with "/", it is considered to be relative to the directory defined in the %directory directive. The %include directive statement causes the specified file to be parsed completely before resuming with this file. Nesting up to ten levels is supported.

In a complex environment, segmenting a large configuration into smaller more easily understood segments might be helpful, but one of the great advantages of **gated.conf** is that it combines the configuration of several different routing protocols into a single file. Segmenting a small file unnecessarily complicates routing configurations.

Trace Statements

Trace statements control tracing options. **gated.conf**'s tracing options may be configured at many levels. Tracing options include the file specifications, control options, and global and protocol specific tracing options. Unless overridden, tracing options from the next higher level are inherited by lower levels. For example, BGP peer tracing options are inherited from BGP group tracing options, which are inherited from global BGP tracing options, which are inherited from global **gated.conf** tracing options. At each level, tracing specifications override the inherited options.

Global tracing options

There are two types of global options, those that only affect global operations, and those that have potential significance to protocols.

Global significance only

The trace flags that only have global significance are:

Item	Description
parse	Traces the lexical analyzer and parser. Mostly used by gated.conf developers for debugging.

Item	Description
adv	Traces the allocation of and freeing of policy blocks. Mostly used by the gated.conf developers for debugging.
symbols	Used to trace symbols read from the kernel at startup. The only useful way to specify this level of tracing is via the -t option on the command line since the symbols are read from the kernel before parsing the configuration file.
iflist	Used to trace the reading of the kernel interface list. It is useful to specify this with the -t option on the command line since the first interface scan is done before reading the configuration file.

Protocol significance

The options flags that have potential significance to protocols are:

Item	Description
all	Turn on all of the following.
general	Shorthand notation for specifying both normal and route.
state	Trace state machine transitions in the protocols.
normal	Trace normal protocols occurrences. Abnormal protocol occurrences are always traced.
policy	Trace application of protocol and user-specified policy to routes being imported and exported.
task	Trace system interface and processing associated with this protocol or peer.
timer	Trace timer usage by this protocol or peer.
route	Trace routing table changes for routes installed by this protocol or peer.

Note:

1. Not all of the above options apply to all of the protocols. In some cases, their use does not make sense (for instance, RIP does not have a state machine) and in some instances the requested tracing has not been implemented (such as RIP support of the policy option).
2. It is not currently possible to specify packet tracing from the command line. This is because a global option for packet tracing would potentially create too much output.

When protocols inherit their tracing options from the global tracing options, tracing levels that don't make sense (such as parse, adv and packet tracing options) are masked out.

Global tracing statements have an immediate effect, especially parsing options that affect the parsing of the configuration file. Tracing values inherited by protocols specified in the configuration file are initially inherited from the global options in effect as they are parsed, unless they are overridden by more specific options. After the configuration file is read, tracing options that were not explicitly specified are inherited from the global options in effect at the end of the configuration file.

Packet tracing

Tracing of packets is very flexible. For any given protocol, there are one or more options for tracing packets. All protocols allow use of the **packets** keyword that allows for tracing all packets sent and received by the protocol. Most protocols have other options for limiting tracing to a useful subset of packet types. These tracing options can be further controlled with the following modifiers:

detail

The **detail** must be specified before **send** or **recv**. Normally packets are traced in a terse form of one or two lines. When **detail** is specified, a more verbose format is used to provide further detail on the contents of the packet.

send

recv

These options limit the tracing to packets sent or received. Without these options both sent and received packets will be traced.

Note: Detail, if specified, must be before send or recv. If a protocol allows for several different types of packet tracing, modifiers may be applied to each individual type. But be aware that within one tracing specification the trace flags are summed up, so specifying detail packets will turn on full tracing for all packets.

Traceoptions syntax

```
traceoptions ["trace_file" [replace] [size size[k|m] files files]]
              [control_options] trace_options [except trace_options] ;

traceoptions none ;
```

Item

Description

trace_file

Specifies the file to receive tracing information. If this file name does not begin with a slash (/), the directory where **gated** was started is prepended to the name.

replace

Indicates tracing should start by replacing an existing file. The default is to append to an existing file.

size *size[k|m]* **files** *files*

Limits the maximum size of the trace file to the specified size (minimum 10k). When the trace file reaches the specified size, it is renamed to *file.0*, then *file.1*, *file.2* up to the maximum number of files (minimum specification is 2).

control_options

Specifies options that control the appearance of tracing. Valid values are:

nostamp

Specifies that a timestamp should not be prepended to all trace lines.

except *trace_options*

Used to enable a broad class of tracing and then disable more specific options.

none

Specifies that all tracing should be turned off for this protocol or peer.

Options Statements

Options statements allow specification of some global options. If used, options must appear before any other type of configuration statement in the **gated.conf** file.

The options statement syntax is:

```
options
  [nosend ]
  [noresolve ]
  [gendefault [preference preference ] [gateway gateway] ]
  [syslog [upto ] log_level ]
  [mark time ]
;
```

The options list can contain one or more of the following options:

Item	Description
gendefault [preference <i>preference</i>] [gateway <i>gateway</i>]	When gendefault is enabled when a BGP or EGP neighbor is up, it causes the creation of a default route with the special protocol default . This can be disabled per BGP/EGP group with the nogendefault option. By default, this route has a preference of 20. This route is normally not installed in the kernel forwarding table, it is only present so it can be announced to other protocols. If a gateway is specified, the default route will be installed in the kernel forwarding table with a next hop of the listed gateway. Note: The use of the more general generate default option is preferred to the use of this gendefault option. See the section on Route Aggregation for more information on the generate statement.
nosend	Do not send any packets. This option makes it possible to run gated.conf on a live network to test protocol interactions without actually participating in the routing protocols. The packet traces in the gated.conf log can be examined to verify that gated.conf is functioning properly. This is most useful for RIP and HELLO.
noresolv	By default, gated.conf will try to resolve symbolic names into IP addresses; this option will prevent that.
syslog [upto] <i>log_level</i>	Controls the amount of data gated.conf logs via syslog.
mark <i>time</i>	Specifying this option causes gated to output a message to the trace log at the specified interval. This can be used as one method of determining if gated is still running.

Interface Statement

Interface Syntax

```

interfaces {
    options
        [ strictinterfaces ]
        [ scaninterval time ]
    ;
    interface interface_list
        [ preference preference ]
        [ down preference preference ]
    [ passive ]
    [ simplex ]
    [ reject ]
    [ blackhole ]
    ;
    define address
        [ broadcast address ] | [ pointtopoint address ]
        [ netmask mask ]
        [ multicast ]
    ;
} ;

```

An interface is the connection between a router and one of its attached networks. A physical interface may be specified by interface name, by IP address, or by domain name, (unless the network is an unnumbered point-to-point network.) Multiple levels of reference in the configuration language allow identification of interfaces using wildcard, interface type name, or delete word addresses. The

interface_list is a list of one or more interface names including wildcard names (names without a number) and names that may specify more than one interface or address, or the token *all* for all interfaces.

Item	Description
interface <u>interface_list</u>	<p>Sets interface options on the specified interfaces. An interface list is <i>all</i> or a list of interface names domain names, or numeric addresses. Options available on this statement are:</p> <p>preference preference Sets the preference for routes to this interface when it is up and appears to be functioning properly. The default preference is 0.</p> <p>down preference preference Sets the preference for routes to this interface when the gated daemon does not believe it to be functioning properly, but the kernel does not indicate it is down. The default value is 120.</p> <p>passive Prevents the gated daemon from changing the preference of the route to this interface if it is not believed to be functioning properly due to lack of received routing information. The gated daemon will only perform this check if the interface is actively participating in a routing protocol.</p>
define <i>address</i>	<p>Defines interfaces that might not be present when the gated daemon is started so they may be referenced in the configuration file when <i>strictinterfaces</i> is defined. Possible define keywords are:</p> <p>broadcast address Defines the interface as broadcast capable (for example, Ethernet or Token Ring) and specifies the broadcast address.</p> <p>pointopoint address Defines the interface as a pointopoint interface (for example, SLIP or PPP) and specifies the address on the local side. The first <i>address</i> on the <i>define</i> statement references the address of the host on the remote end of the interface, the <i>address</i> specified after this <i>pointopoint</i> keyword defines the address on the local side of the interface.</p> <p>An interface not defined as broadcast or pointopoint is assumed to be non-broadcast multiaccess (NBMA).</p> <p>netmask mask Specifies the subnetmask to be used on this interface. This is ignored on pointopoint interfaces.</p> <p>multicast Specifies that the interface is multicast capable.</p>

Interface Lists

An interface list is a list of references to interfaces or groups of interfaces. There are four methods available for referring to interfaces. They are listed here from most general to most specific.

Item	Description
all	This refers to all available interfaces.

Item	Description
Interface name wildcard	This refers to all the interfaces of the same type. The operating system interfaces consist of the name of the device driver, like en, and a unit number, like 0 or 5. References to the name contain only alphabetic characters and match any interfaces that have the same alphabetic part. For example, en would refer to all Ethernet interfaces.
Interface name	This refers to a specific interface, usually one physical interface. These are specified as an alphabetic part followed by a numeric part. This will match one specific interface. For example, en1 will match an interface named en1, but not an interface named en10. In case there are multiple addresses aliased to a single interface, specify the particular ip address to be used by gated , instead of the interface name.
Interface address	This matches one specific interface. The reference can be by protocol address (that is, 10.0.0.51), or by symbolic hostname (that is, hornet.ibm.com). Note that a symbolic hostname reference is only valid when it resolves to only one address. Use of symbolic hostnames is not recommended.

If many interface lists are present in the config file with more than one parameter, these parameters are collected at run-time to create the specific parameter list for a given interface. If the same parameter is specified on more than one list, the parameter with the most specific interface is used.

For example, consider a system with three interfaces: en0, en1, and tr0.

```
rip yes {
    interface all noripin noripout;
    interface en ripin;
    interface en1 ripout;
} ;
```

RIP packets would only be accepted from interfaces en0 and en1, but not from tr0. RIP packets would only be sent on interface en1.

IP Interface Addresses and Routes

Item	Description
loopback	This interface must have the address of 127.0.0.1 . Packets sent to this interface are sent back to the originator. This interface is also used as a catch-all interface for implementing other features, such as reject and blackhole routes. Although a netmask is reported on this interface, it is ignored. It is useful to assign an additional address to this interface that is the same as the OSPF or BGP router id; this allows routing to a system based on the router id that will work if some interfaces are down.
broadcast	This is a multi-access interface capable of a physical level broadcast, such as Ethernet, Token Ring, and FDDI. This interface has an associated subnet mask and broadcast address. The interface route to a broadcast network will be a route to the complete subnet.

Item	Description
point-to-point	<p>This is a tunnel to another host, usually on some sort of serial link. This interface has a local address, and a remote address.</p> <p>The remote address must be unique among all the interface addresses on a given router. The local address may be shared among many point-to-point and up to one non-point-to-point interface. This is technically a form of the <code>router id</code> method for addressless links. This technique conserves subnets as none are required when using this technique.</p> <p>If a subnet mask is specified on a point-to-point interface, it is only used by RIP version 1 and HELLO to determine which subnets may be propagated to the router on the other side of this interface.</p>
non-broadcast multi-access or nbma	<p>This type of interface is multi-access, but not capable of broadcast. An example would be <code>frame relay</code>. This type of interface has a local address and a subnet mask.</p>

The **gated** daemon ensures that there is a route available to each IP interface that is configured and up. Normally this is done by the **ifconfig** command that configures the interface; the **gated** daemon does it to ensure consistency.

For point-to-point interfaces, the **gated** daemon installs some special routes. If the local address on one or more point-to-point interfaces is not shared with a non-point-to-point interface, the **gated** daemon installs a route to the local address pointing at the loopback interface with a preference of 110. This ensures that packets originating on this host destined for this local address are handled locally. OSPF prefers to route packets for the local interface across the point-to-point link where they will be returned by the router on the remote end. This is used to verify operation of the link. Since OSPF installs routes with a preference of 10, these routes will override the route installed with a preference of 110.

If the local address of one or more point-to-point interfaces is shared with a non-point-to-point interface, the **gated** daemon installs a route to the local with a preference of 0 that will not be installed in the forwarding table. This is to prevent protocols like OSPF from routing packets to this address across a serial interface when this system could be functioning as a host.

When the status of an interface changes, the **gated** daemon notifies all the protocols, which take the appropriate action. The **gated** daemon assumes that interfaces that are not marked UP do not exist.

The **gated** daemon ignores any interfaces that have invalid data for the local, remote, or broadcast addresses or the subnet mask. Invalid data includes zeros in any field. The **gated** daemon will also ignore any point-to-point interface that has the same local and remote addresses.

Definition Statements

Definition statements are general configuration statements that relate to all of **gated** daemon or at least to more than one protocol. The three definition statements are `autonomoussystem`, `routerid`, and `martians`. If used, `autonomoussystem`, `routerid`, and `martians` must appear before any other type of configuration statement in the **gated** daemon file.

Autonomous System Configuration

```
autonomoussystem autonomous_system [loops number] ;
```

Sets the autonomous system number of this router to be `autonomous_system`. This option is required if BGP or EGP are in use. The AS number is assigned by the Network Information Center (NIC).

Loops is only for protocols supporting AS paths, such as BGP. It controls the number of times this autonomous system may appear in an AS path and defaults to 1 (one).

Router ID Configuration

```
routerid host ;
```

Sets the router identifier for use by the BGP and OSPF protocols. The default is the address of the first interface encountered by the **gated** daemon. The address of a non-point-to-point interface is preferred over the local address of a point-to-point interface and an address on a loopback interface that is not the loopback address (127.0.0.1) is most preferred.

Martian Configuration

```
martians {  
    host host [allow] ;  
    network [allow] ;  
    network mask mask [allow] ;  
    network masklen number [allow] ;  
    default [allow] ;  
} ;
```

Defines a list of martian addresses about which all routing information is ignored. Sometimes a misconfigured system sends out obviously invalid destination addresses. These invalid addresses, called martians, are rejected by the routing software. This command allows additions to the list of martian addresses. See the section on Route Filtering for more information on specifying ranges. Also, the *allow* parameter may be specified to explicitly allow a subset of a range that was disallowed.

Sample Definition Statements

```
options gendefault ;  
autonomoussystem 249 ;  
interface 128.66.12.2 passive ;  
martians {  
    0.0.0.26  
};
```

The statements in the sample perform the following functions:

- The options statement tells the system to generate a default route when it peers with an EGP or BGP neighbor.
- The autonomoussystem statement tells the **gated** daemon to use the AS number 249 for EGP and BGP.
- The interface statement tells the **gated** daemon not to mark interface 128.66.12.2 as down even if it sees no traffic.
- The martians statement prevents routes to 0.0.0.26 from ever being accepted.

The RIP Statement

```
rip yes | no | on | off [{  
    broadcast ;  
    nobroadcast ;  
    nocheckzero ;  
    preference preference ;  
    defaultmetric metric ;  
    query authentication [none | [[simple|md5] password]] ;  
    interface interface_list  
        [noripin] | [ripin]  
        [noripout] | [ripout]  
        [metricin metric]  
        [metricout metric]
```

```

    [version 1] | [version 2 [multicast|broadcast]]
    [[secondary] authentication [none | [[simple|md5] password]] ;
    trustedgateways gateway_list ;
    sourcegateways gateway_list ;
    traceoptions trace_options ;
} ] ;

```

The `rip` statement enables or disables RIP. If the `rip` statement is not specified, the default is `rip on` ;. If enabled, RIP will assume `nobroadcast` when there is only one interface and `broadcast` when there is more than one.

The options are as follows:

broadcast

Specifies that RIP packets will be broadcast regardless of the number of interfaces present. This is useful when propagating static routes or routes learned from another protocol into RIP. In some cases, the use of broadcast when only one network interface is present can cause data packets to traverse a single network twice.

nobroadcast

Specifies that RIP packets will not be broadcast on attached interfaces, even if there is more than one. If a `sourcegateways` clause is present, routes will still be unicast directly to that gateway.

nocheckzero

Specifies that RIP should not make sure that reserved fields in incoming version 1 RIP packets are zero. Normally RIP will reject packets where the reserved fields are zero.

preference preference

Sets the preference for routes learned from RIP. The default preference is 100. This preference may be overridden by a preference specified in import policy.

defaultmetric metric

Defines the metric used when advertising routes via RIP were learned from other protocols. If not specified, the default value is 16 (unreachable). This choice of values requires you to explicitly specify a metric in order to export routes from other protocols into RIP. This metric may be overridden by a metric specified in export policy.

query authentication [none | [[simple|md5] password]] ;

Specifies the authentication required of query packets that do not originate from routers. The default is none.

interface interface_list

Controls various attributes of sending RIP on specific interfaces. See the section on interface list specification for a description of the interface_list.

Note: If there are multiple interfaces configured on the same subnet, RIP updates will only be sent from the first one from which RIP output is configured.

The possible parameters are:

noripin

Specifies that RIP packets received via the specified interface will be ignored. The default is to listen to RIP packets on all non-loopback interfaces.

ripin

This is the default. This argument may be necessary when `noripin` is used on a wildcard interface descriptor.

noripout

Specifies that no RIP packets will be sent on the specified interfaces. The default is to send RIP on all broadcast and non-broadcast interfaces when in broadcast mode. The sending of RIP on point-to-point interfaces must be manually configured.

ripout

This is the default. This argument is necessary when it is desired to send RIP on point-to-point interfaces and may be necessary when `noripin` is used on a wildcard interface descriptor.

metricin *metric*

Specifies the RIP metric to add to incoming routes before they are installed in the routing table. The default is the kernel interface metric plus 1 (which is the default RIP hop count). If this value is specified it will be used as the absolute value, the kernel metric will not be added. This option is used to make this router prefer RIP routes learned via the specified interface(s) less than RIP routes from other interfaces.

metricout *metric*

Specifies the RIP metric to be added to routes that are sent via the specified interface(s). The default is zero. This option is used to make other routers prefer other sources of RIP routes over this router.

version 1

Specifies that RIP packets sent via the specified interface(s) will be version 1 packets. This is the default.

version 2

Specifies that RIP version 2 packets will be sent on the specified interfaces(s). If IP multicast support is available on this interface, the default is to send full version 2 packets. If it is not available, version 1 compatible version 2 packets will be sent.

multicast

Specifies that RIP version 2 packets should be multicast on this interface. This is the default.

broadcast

Specifies that RIP version 1 compatible version 2 packets should be broadcast on this interface, even if IP multicast is available.

[secondary] authentication [none | [simple|md5] password]

This defines the authentication type to use. It applies only to RIP version 2 and is ignored for RIP-1 packets. The default authentication type is none. If a password is specified, the authentication type defaults to simple. The password should be a quoted string with between 0 and 16 characters.

If secondary is specified, this defines the secondary authentication. If omitted, the primary authentication is specified. The default is primary authentication of none and no secondary authentication.

trustedgateways *gateway_list*

Defines the list of gateways from which RIP will accept updates. The *gateway_list* is simply a list of host names or IP addresses. By default, all routers on the shared network are trusted to supply routing information. But if the `trustedgateways` clause is specified, only updates from the gateways in the list are accepted.

sourcegateways *gateway_list*

Defines a list of routers to which RIP sends packets directly, not through multicast or broadcast. This can be used to send different routing information to specific gateways. Updates to gateways in this list are not affected by `noripout` on the interface.

traceoptions *trace_options*

Specifies the tracing options for RIP. (See [Trace Statements](#) and the RIP specific tracing options below.)

Tracing options

The `policy` option logs info whenever a new route is announced, the metric being announced changes, or a route goes or leaves holddown.

Packet tracing options (which may be modified with `detail`, `send`, or `recv`):

Item	Description
packets	All RIP packets.
request	All RIP information request packets, such as REQUEST, POLL, and POLLENTRY.

Item	Description
response	All RIP RESPONSE packets, which are the types of packets that actually contains routing information.
other	Any other type of packet. The only valid ones are TRACE_ON and TRACE_OFF both of which are ignored.

The RIPNG Statement

Enables or disables **ripng**. If the **ripng** statement is not specified, the default is **ripng** on ;. The options are the same as for **rip**, but all the addresses will be IPv6 addresses.

The syntax is:

```
ripng yes | no | on | off [ {
    broadcast ;
    nobroadcast ;
    nocheckzero ;
    preference <preference> ;
    defaultmetric <metric> ;
    query authentication [none | [[simple|md5] <password>]] ;
    interface <interface_list>
        [noripin] | [ripin]
        [noripout] | [ripout]
        [metricin <metric>]
        [metricout <metric>]
        [version 1] | [version 2 [multicast|broadcast]]
        [[secondary] authentication [none | [[simple|md5] <password>]]] ;
    trustedgateways <gateway_list> ;
    sourcegateways <gateway_list> ;
    traceoptions <trace_options> ;
} ] ;
```

The Hello Statement

```
hello yes | no | on | off [{
    broadcast ;
    nobroadcast ;
    preference preference ;
    defaultmetric metric ;
    interface interface_list
        [nohelloin] | [helloin]
        [nohelloout] | [helloout]
        [metricin metric]
        [metricout metric] ;
    trustedgateways gateway_list ;
    sourcegateways gateway_list ;
    traceoptions trace_options ;
} ] ;
```

The hello statement enables or disables HELLO. If the hello statement is not specified, the default is hello off. If enabled, HELLO will assume nobroadcast when there is only one interface and broadcast when there is more than one interface.

Item	Description
broadcast	Specifies that HELLO packets will be broadcast regardless of the number of interfaces present. This is useful when propagating static routes or routes learned from another protocol into HELLO. In some cases, the use of broadcast when only one network interface is present can cause data packets to traverse a single network twice.

Item	Description
nobroadcast	Specifies that HELLO packets will not be broadcast on attached interfaces, even if there are more than one. If a <code>sourcegateways</code> clause is present, routes will still be unicast directly to that gateway.
preference preference	Sets the preference for routes learned from HELLO. The default preference is <code>op</code> . This preference may be overridden by a preference specified in import policy.
defaultmetric <i>metric</i>	Defines the metric used when advertising routes via HELLO were learned from other protocols. If not specified, the default value is 30000 (unreachable). This choice of values requires you to explicitly specify a metric in order to export routes from other protocols into HELLO. This metric may be overridden by a metric specified in export policy.
interface interface_list	<p>Controls various attributes of sending HELLO on specific interfaces. See the section on interface list specification for the description of the interface_list.</p> <p>Note: If there are multiple interfaces configured on the same subnet, HELLO updates will only be sent from the first one from which the HELLO output is configured.</p> <p>The possible parameters are:</p> <p>nohelloin Specifies that HELLO packets received via the specified interface will be ignored. The default is to listen to HELLO on all non-loopback interfaces.</p> <p>helloin This is the default. This argument may be necessary when <code>nohelloin</code> is used on a wildcard interface descriptor.</p> <p>nohelloout Specifies that no HELLO packets will be sent on the specified interfaces. The default is to send HELLO on all broadcast and non-broadcast interfaces when in broadcast mode. The sending of HELLO on point-to-point interfaces must be manually configured.</p> <p>helloout This is the default. This argument is necessary when it is desired to send HELLO on point-to-point interfaces and may be necessary when <code>nohelloin</code> is used on a wildcard interface descriptor.</p> <p>metricin <i>metric</i> Specifies the HELLO metric to add to incoming routes before they are installed in the routing table. The default is the kernel interface metric plus 1 (which is the default HELLO hop count). If this value is specified it will be used as the absolute value; the kernel metric will not be added. This option is used to make this router prefer HELLO routes learned via the specified interface(s) less than HELLO routes from other interfaces.</p> <p>metricout <i>metric</i> Specifies the HELLO metric to be added to routes that are sent via the specified interface(s). The default is zero. This option is used to make other routers prefer other sources of HELLO routes over this router.</p>

Item	Description
trustedgateways <i>gateway_list</i>	Defines the list of gateways from which HELLO will accept updates. The <i>gateway_list</i> is simply a list of host names or IP addresses. By default, all routers on the shared network are trusted to supply routing information. But if the trustedgateways clause is specified, only updates from the gateways in the list are accepted.
sourcegateways <i>gateway_list</i>	Defines a list of routers to which HELLO sends packets directly, not through multicast or broadcast. This can be used to send different routing information to specific gateways. Updates to gateways in this list are not affected by noripout on the interface.
traceoptions <i>trace_options</i>	Specifies the tracing options for HELLO. (See Trace Statements and the HELLO specific tracing options below.) The default preference is 90. The default metric is 30000.

Tracing options

The policy option logs info whenever a new route is announced, the metric being announced changes, or a route goes or leaves holddown.

Packet tracing options (which may be modified with **detail**, **send**, and/or **recv**):

Item	Description
packets	All HELLO packets

The IS-IS Statement

```
isis no | dual | ip | iso {
    level 1|2 ;
    [traceoptions <isis_traceoptions> ;]
    [systemid <6_digit_hexstring> ;]
    [area <hexstring> ;]
    [set <isis_parm> <value> ; ... ]
    circuit <string>
        metric [level 1|2] <1..63>
        ...
        priority [level 1|2] <0..127>
        ...
    ;
} ; ...
```

This statement enables the IS-IS protocol in the **gated** daemon. By default, IS-IS is disabled. The **dual** option specifies that the IS-IS protocol is enabled for both ISO and IP addressing. The **isis** statement consists of an initial description of the IS and a list of statements that determine the configuration of the specific circuits and networks to be managed. Statements may appear in any order and include:

Item	Description
level	Indicates whether gated is running on a Level 1 (intra-area) or Level 2 (inter-area) IS. The default is Level 1.
traceoptions	Covered in the Tracing options section below.
systemid	Overrides the autoconfigured system ID (determined from interface addresses and corresponding netmasks). If no system identifier is specified, the system ID portion of the first real circuit's NSAP is used. Once a system ID is set, it cannot be changed without disabling and reenabling all of IS-IS.

Item	Description
area	IS-IS area addresses are automatically configured based on the real circuits over which IS-IS runs. Addresses specified in this statement are maintained in addition to those configured automatically from the circuits. This command is used primarily for simulation.
circuit	Each circuit statement specifies one of the circuits the system will manage. Circuits normally correspond to UNIX interfaces, with string being the interface name, but simulated device names may also be specified. If the string is in the form of "simN", where N is an integer, the circuit is assumed to be a simulated circuit managed by the network simulator troll. The circuit attributes are a list of options that may appear in any order in the circuit statement.
metric	Allows specifications of Level 1 and Level 2 metrics for each circuit. Only the default metric type is supported. IS-IS metrics must be in the range 1 to 63. If no metric is set for the circuit, the default value is 63.
priority	Determines designated router election results; higher values give a higher likelihood of becoming the designated router. The level defaults to Level 1. If no priority is specified, priority is set to a random value between 0 and 127.

On a level 2 IS, to configure a circuit with a Level 1 metric of 10 and a Level 2 metric of 20, add two metric options to the circuit statement.

The default Level is 1: the default metric is 63. The default preference for IS-IS Level 1 is 15 for IS-IS Level 2 is 18.

Tracing options

Traceoptions can be one or more of the following:

```
all
iih
lanadj
p2padj
lspdb
lspcontent
lspinput
flooding
buildlsp
csnp
psnp
route
update
paths
spf
events
```

The OSPF Statement

```
ospf yes | no | on | off [{
    defaults {
        preference preference ;
        cost cost ;
        tag [as ] tag ;
        type 1 | 2 ;
    } ;
    exportlimit routes ;
    exportinterval time ;
    traceoptions trace_options ;
    monitorauthkey authkey ;
    monitorauth none | ( [simple | md5 ] authkey ) ;
    backbone | ( area area ) {
        authtype 0 | 1 | none | simple | md5 ;
```

```

stub [cost cost] ;
  networks {
    network [restrict ] ;
    network mask mask [restrict ] ;
    network masklen number [restrict ] ;
    host host [restrict ] ;
  } ;
  stubhosts {
    host cost cost ;
  } ;
  interface interface_list; [cost cost ] {
    interface_parameters
  } ;
  interface interface_list nonbroadcast [cost cost ] {
    pollinterval time ;
    routers {
      gateway [eligible ] ;
    } ;
    interface_parameters
  } ;
  Backbone only:
  virtuallink neighborid router_id transitarea area {
    interface_parameters
  } ;
};
} ];

```

The following are the *interface_parameters* referred to above. They may be specified on any class of interface and are described under the `interface` clause.

```

enable | disable;
retransmitinterval time;
transitdelay time;
priority priority;
hellointerval time;
routerdeadinterval time;
authkey auth_key | auth md5 key auth_key id key_id ;

```

defaults

These parameters specify the defaults used when importing OSPF ASE routes into the gated routing table and exporting routes from the gated routing table into OSPF ASEs.

preference preference

Preference is used to determine how OSPF routes compete with routes from other protocols in the gated routing table. The default value is 150.

cost cost

Cost is used when exporting a non-OSPF route from the gated routing table into OSPF as an ASE. The default value is 1. This may be explicitly overridden in export policy.

tag [as] tag

OSPF ASE routes have a 32 bit tag field that is not used by the OSPF protocol, but may be used by export policy to filter routes. When OSPF is interacting with an EGP, the tag field may be used to propagate AS path information, in which case the `as` keyword is specified and the tag is limited to 12 bits of information. If not specified, the tag is set to zero.

type 1 | 2

Routes exported from the gated routing table into OSPF default to becoming type 1 ASEs. This default may be explicitly changed here and overridden in export policy.

ASE export rate

Because of the nature of OSPF, the rate at which ASEs are flooded must be limited. These two parameters can be used to adjust those rate limits.

exportinterval time

This specifies how often a batch of ASE link state advertisements will be generated and flooded into OSPF. The default is once per second.

exportlimit routes

This parameter specifies how many ASEs will be generated and flooded in each batch. The default is 100.

traceoptions trace_options

Specifies the tracing options for OSPF. (See [Trace Statements](#) and the OSPF specific tracing options below.)

monitorauthkey authkey

OSPF state may be queried using the **ospf_monitor** command utility. This utility sends non-standard OSPF packets that generate a text response from OSPF. By default, these requests are not authenticated if an authentication key is configured, the incoming requests must match the specified authentication key. No OSPF state may be changed by these packets, but the act of querying OSPF can utilize system resources.

backbonearea area

Each OSPF router must be configured into at least one OSPF area. If more than one area is configured, at least one must be backbone. The backbone may only be configured using the **backbone** keyword, it may not be specified as area 0. The backbone interface may be a **virtuallink**.

authtype 0 | 1 | none | simple | md5

OSPF specifies an authentication scheme per area. Each interface in the area must use this same authentication scheme although it may use a different authenticationkey. The currently valid values are none (0) for no authentication, simple (1) for simple password authentication or md5 for MD5 authentication.

stub [cost cost]

A stub area is one in which there are no ASE routes. If a cost is specified, this is used to inject a default route into the area with the specified cost.

networks

The networks list describes the scope of an area. Intra-area LSAs that fall within the specified ranges are not advertised into other areas as inter-area routes. Instead, the specified ranges are advertised as summary network LSAs. If **restrict** is specified, the summary network LSAs are not advertised. Intra-area LSAs that do not fall into any range are also advertised as summary network LSAs. This option is very useful on well designed networks in reducing the amount of routing information propagated between areas. The entries in this list are either networks, or a subnetwork/mask pair. See the section on [Route Filtering](#) for more detail about specifying ranges.

stubhosts

This list specifies directly attached hosts that should be advertised as reachable from this router and the costs they should be advertised with. Point-to-point interfaces on which it is not desirable to run OSPF should be specified here.

It is also useful to assign an additional address to the loopback interface (one not on the 127 network) and advertise it as a stub hosts. If this address is the same one used as the router-id, it enables routing to OSPF routers by router-id, instead of by an interface address. This is more reliable than routing to one of the router's interface addresses that may not always be reachable.

interface interface_list [cost cost]

This form of the interface clause is used to configure a broadcast (which requires IP multicast support) or a point-to-point interface. See the section on interface list specification for the description of the *interface_list*.

Each interface has a cost. The costs of all interfaces a packet must cross to reach a destination are summed to get the cost to that destination. The default cost is one, but another non-zero value may be specified.

Interface parameters common to all types of interfaces are:

retransmitinterval time

The number of seconds between link state advertisement retransmissions for adjacencies belonging to this interface.

transitdelay time

The estimated number of seconds required to transmit a link state update over this interface.

Transitdelay takes into account transmission and propagation delays and must be greater than 0.

priority priority

A number between 0 and 255 specifying the priority for becoming the designated router on this interface. When two routers attached to a network both attempt to become the designated router, the one with the highest priority wins. A router whose router priority is set to 0 is ineligible to become the designated router.

hellointerval time

The length of time, in seconds, between Hello packets that the router sends on the interface.

routerdeadinterval time

The number of seconds not hearing a router's Hello packets before the router's neighbors will declare it down.

authkey *auth_key* | auth md5 key *auth_key* id *key_id* ;

Used by OSPF authentication to generate and verify the authentication field in the OSPF header. The authentication key can be configured on a per interface basis. It is specified by one to eight decimal digits separated by periods, a one to eight byte hexadecimal string preceded by 0x, or a one to eight character string in double quotes.

For MD5 authentication, the **auth_key** is specified by a 1 to 8 character string in double quotes. The **id** specifies the algorithm used by MD5 to calculate the message-digest and its value ranges from 1 to 255.

Point-to-point interfaces also support this additional parameter:

nomulticast

By default, OSPF packets to neighbors on point-to-point interfaces are sent via the IP multicast mechanism. If the use of IP multicasting is not desired, the *nomulticast* parameter may be specified to force the use of unicast OSPF packets. **gated.conf** will detect this condition and fall back to using sending unicast OSPF packets to this point-to-point neighbor.

If the use of IP multicasting is not desired because the remote neighbor does not support it, the *nomulticast* parameter may be specified to force the use of unicast OSPF packets. This option may also be used to eliminate warnings when **gated.conf** detects the bug mentioned above.

interface *interface_list* nonbroadcast [*cost cost*]

This form of the interface clause is used to specify a nonbroadcast interface on a non-broadcast multi-access (NBMA) media. Since an OSPF broadcast media must support IP multicasting, a broadcast-capable media, such as Ethernet, that does not support IP multicasting must be configured as a non-broadcast interface.

A non-broadcast interface supports any of the standard interface clauses listed above, plus the following two that are specific to non-broadcast interfaces:

pollinterval time

Before adjacency is established with a neighbor, OSPF packets are sent periodically at the specified pollinterval.

routers

By definition, it is not possible to send broadcast packets to discover OSPF neighbors on a non-broadcast, so all neighbors must be configured. The list includes one or more neighbors and an indication of their eligibility to become a designated router.

virtuallink neighborid *router_id* transitarea *area*

Virtual links are used to establish or increase connectivity of the backbone area. The neighborid is the *router_id* of the other end of the virtual link. The transit area specified must also be configured on this system. All standard interface parameters defined by the interface clause above may be specified on a virtual link.

Tracing options

In addition to the following OSPF specific trace flags, OSPF supports the state that traces interface and neighbor state machine transitions.

Item	Description
lsabuild	Link State Advertisement creation
spf	Shortest Path First (SPF) calculations

Packet tracing options (which may be modified with `detail`, `send` and `recv`):

Item	Description
hello	OSPF HELLO packets that are used to determine neighbor reachability.
dd	OSPF Database Description packets that are used in synchronizing OSPF databases.
request	OSPF Link State Request packets that are used in synchronizing OSPF databases.
lsu	OSPF Link State Update packets that are used in synchronizing OSPF databases.
ack	OSPF Link State Ack packets that are used in synchronizing OSPF databases.

The EGP Statement

```
EGP yes | no | on | off
[ {
    preference preference ;
    defaultmetric metric ;
    packetsize number ;
    traceoptions trace_options ;
    group
        [ peeras autonomous_system ]
        [ localas autonomous_system ]
        [ maxup number ]
    {
        neighbor host
            [ metricout metric ]
            [ preference preference ]
            [ preference2 preference ]
        [ ttl ttl ]
            [ nogendefault ]
            [ importdefault ]
            [ exportdefault ]
            [ gateway gateway ]
            [ lcladdr local_address ]
            [ sourcenet network ]
            [ minhello | p1 time ]
            [ minpoll | p2 time ]
            [ traceoptions trace_options ]
        ;
    } ;
} ] ;
```

preference preference

Sets the preference for routes learned from RIP. The default preference is 200. This preference may be overridden by a preference specified on the group or neighbor statements or by import policy.

defaultmetric metric ;

Defines the metric used when advertising routes via EGP. If not specified, the default value is 255 that some systems may consider unreachable. This choice of values requires you to explicitly specify a

metric when exporting routes to EGP neighbors. This metric may be overridden by a metric specified on the neighbor or group statements or in export policy.

packetsize *maxpacketsize*

This defines the expected maximum size of a packet that EGP expects to receive from this neighbor. If a packet larger than this value is received, it will be incomplete and have to be discarded. The length of this packet will be noted and the expected size will be increased to be able to receive a packet of this size. Specifying the parameter here will prevent the first packet from being dropped. If not specified, the default size is 8192 bytes. All packet sizes are rounded up to a multiple of the system page size.

traceoptions *trace_options*

Specifies the tracing options for EGP. By default these are inherited from the global trace options. These values may be overridden on a group or neighbor basis. (See [Trace Statements](#) and the EGP specific tracing options below.)

group

EGP neighbors must be specified as members of a group. A group is usually used to group all neighbors in one autonomous system. Parameters specified on the group clause apply to all of the subsidiary neighbors unless explicitly overridden on a neighbor clause. Any number of group clauses may specify any number of neighbor clauses.

Any parameters from the neighbor subclause may be specified on the group clause to provide defaults for the whole group (which may be overridden for individual neighbors). In addition, the group clause is the only place to set the following attributes:

peeras

Identifies the autonomous system number expected from peers in the group. If not specified, it will be learned dynamically.

localas

Identifies the autonomous system that **gated.conf** is representing to the group. The default is that which has been set globally in the [autonomoussystem](#) statement. This option is usually only used when *masquerading* as another autonomous system and its use is discouraged.

maxup

Specifies the number of neighbors the **gated** daemon should acquire from this group. The default is to acquire all of the neighbors in the group. The **gated** daemon will attempt to acquire the first maxup neighbors in the order listed. If one of the first neighbors is not available, it will acquire one further down the list. If after start-up the **gated** daemon does manage to acquire the more desirable neighbor, it will drop the less desirable one.

neighbor *neighbor_address*

Each neighbor subclause defines one EGP neighbor within a group. The only part of the subclause that is required is the *neighbor_address* argument that is the symbolic host name or IP address of the neighbor. All other parameters are optional.

preference *preference*

Specifies the preference used for routes learned from these neighbors. This can differ from the default EGP preference set in the EGP statement, so that the **gated** daemon can prefer routes from one neighbor, or group of neighbors, over another. This preference may be explicitly overridden by import policy.

preference2 *preference*

In the case of a preference tie, the second preference, preference2 may be used to break the tie. The default value is 0.

metricout *metric*

This defines a metric to be used for all routes sent to this neighbor. The value overrides the default metric set in the EGP statement and any metrics specified by export policy, but only for this specific neighbor or group of neighbors.

nogendefault

Prevents **gated.conf** from generating a default route when EGP receives a valid update from its neighbor. The default route is only generated when the **gendefault** option is enabled.

importdefault

Enables the **gated** daemon to accept the default route (0.0.0.0) if it is included in a received EGP update. If not specified, the default route contained in an EGP update is ignored. For efficiency, some networks have external routers announce a default route to avoid sending large EGP update packets.

exportdefault

Enables the **gated** daemon to include the default route (0.0.0.0) in EGP updates sent to this EGP neighbor. This allows the system to advertise the default route via EGP. Normally a default route is not included in EGP updates.

gateway gateway

If a network is not shared with a neighbor, gateway specifies a router on an attached network to be used as the next hop router for routes received from this neighbor. This option is only rarely used.

lcladdr local_address

Specifies the address to be used on the local end of the connection with the neighbor. The local address must be on an interface that is shared with the neighbor or with the neighbor's *gateway* when the *gateway* parameter is used. A session will only be opened when an interface with the appropriate local address (through which the neighbor or gateway address is directly reachable) is operating.

sourcenet network

Specifies the network queried in the EGP Poll packets. By default, this is the network shared with the neighbor's address specified. If there is no network shared with the neighbor, one of the networks the neighbor is attached to should be specified. This parameter can also be used to specify a network shared with the neighbor other than the one on which the EGP packets are sent. This parameter is normally not needed.

p1 time**minhello time**

Sets the minimum acceptable interval between the transmission of EGP HELLO packets. The default hello interval is 30 seconds. If the neighbor fails to respond to three hello packets, the **gated** daemon stops trying to acquire the neighbor. Setting a larger interval gives the neighbor a better chance to respond. **Minhello** is an alias for the P1 value defined in the EGP specification.

p2 time**minpoll time**

Sets the time interval between polls to the neighbor. The default is 120 seconds. If three polls are sent without a response, the neighbor is declared "down" and all routes learned from that neighbor are removed from the routing database. A longer polling interval supports a more stable routing database but is not as responsive to routing changes. **Minpoll** is an alias for the P2 value defined in the EGP specification.

ttd ttl

By default, the **gated** daemon sets the IP TTL for local neighbors to *one* and the TTL for non-local neighbors to 255. This option is provided when attempting to communicate with improperly functioning routers that ignore packets sent with a TTL of one.

traceoptions trace_options

Specifies the tracing options for this EGP neighbor. By default, these are inherited from group or EGP global trace options. (See [Trace Statements](#) and the EGP specific tracing options below.)

Tracing options

The state and policy options work with EGP.

Packet tracing options (which may be modified with *detail*, *send* and *recv*):

Item	Description
packets	All EGP packets
hello	EGP HELLO/I-HEARD-U packets that are used to determine neighbor reachability.

Item	Description
acquire	EGP ACQUIRE/CEASE packets that are used to initiate and terminate EGP sessions.
update	EGP POLL/UPDATE packets that are used to request and receive reachability updates.

The BGP Statement

```

bgp    yes | no | on | off
[ {
    preference preference ;
    defaultmetric metric ;
    traceoptions trace_options ;
    group type ( external peeras autonomous_system )
    | ( internal peeras autonomous_system )
    | ( IGP peeras autonomous_system proto proto )
    | ( routing peeras autonomous_system proto proto
        interface interface_list )
    | ( test peeras autonomous_system )
    {
        allow {
            network
            network mask mask
            network masklen number
            all
            host host
        }
    } ;
    peer host
    [ metricout metric ]
    [ localas autonomous_system ]
    [ nogendefault ]
    [ gateway gateway ]
    [ preference preference ]
    [ preference2 preference ]
    [ lcladdr local_address ]
    [ holdtime time ]
    [ version number ]
    [ passive ]
    [ indelay time ]
    [ outdelay time ]
    [ keep [ all | none ] ]
    [ noagggregatorid ]
    [ keepalivesalways ]
    [ v3asloopokay ]
    [ nov4asloop ]
    [ logupdown ]
    [ ttl ttl ]
    [ traceoptions trace_options ]
    ;
} ;
}] ;

```

external | **internal** | **IGP** | **test**

The bgp statement enables or disables BGP. By default, BGP is disabled. The default metric for announcing routes via BGP is not to send a metric.

Item	Description
preference preference	Sets the preference for routes learned from RIP. The default preference is 170. This preference may be overridden by a preference specified on the <code>group</code> or <code>peer</code> statements or by import policy.
defaultmetric <i>metric</i>	Defines the metric used when advertising routes via BGP. If not specified, no metric is propagated. This metric may be overridden by a metric specified on the <code>neighbor</code> or <code>group</code> statements or in export policy.
traceoptions <i>trace_options</i>	Specifies the tracing options for BGP. By default these are inherited from the global trace options. These values may be overridden on a group or neighbor basis. (See Trace Statements and the BGP specific tracing options below.)

Groups

BGP peers are grouped by type and the autonomous system of the peers. Any number of groups may be specified, but each must have a unique combination of type and peer autonomous system. There are four possible group types:

group type external *peer as autonomous_system*

In the classic external BGP group, full policy checking is applied to all incoming and outgoing advertisements. The external neighbors must be directly reachable through one of the machine's local interfaces. By default no metric is included in external advertisements, and the next hop is computed with respect to the shared interface.

group type internal *peer as autonomous_system*

An internal group operating where there is no IP-level IGP. All neighbors in this group are required to be directly reachable via a single interface. All next hop information is computed with respect to this interface. Import and export policy may be applied to group advertisements. Routes received from external BGP or EGP neighbors are by default readvertised with the received metric.

group type IGP *peer as autonomous_system proto proto*

An internal group that runs in association with an interior protocol. The IGP group examines routes that the IGP is exporting and sends an advertisement only if the path attributes could not be entirely represented in the IGP tag mechanism. Only the AS path, path origin, and transitive optional attributes are sent with routes. No metric is sent, and the next hop is set to the local address used by the connection. Received internal BGP routes are not used or readvertised. Instead, the AS path information is attached to the corresponding IGP route and the latter is used for readvertisement. Since internal IGP peers are sent only a subset of the routes that the IGP is exporting, the export policy used is the IGP's. There is no need to implement the "don't routes from peers in the same group" constraint since the advertised routes are routes that IGP already exports.

group type routing *peer as autonomous_system proto proto interface interface_list*

An internal group that uses the routes of an interior protocol to resolve forwarding addresses. A type routing group propagates external routes between routers that are not directly connected, and computes immediate next hops for these routes by using the BGP next hop that arrived with the route as a forwarding address to be resolved via an internal protocol's routing information. In essence, internal BGP is used to carry AS external routes, while the IGP is expected to only carry AS internal routes, and the latter is used to find immediate next hops for the former.

The *proto* names the interior protocol to be used to resolve BGP route next hops, and may be the name of any IGP in the configuration. By default, the next hop in BGP routes advertised to type routing peers will be set to the local address on the BGP connection to those peers, as it is assumed a route to this address will be propagated via the IGP. The *interface_list* can optionally provide list interfaces whose routes are carried via the IGP for which third party next hops may be used instead.

group type test peers *autonomous_system*

An extension to external BGP that implements a fixed policy using test peers. Fixed policy and special case code make test peers relatively inexpensive to maintain. Test peers do not need to be on a directly attached network. If the **gated** daemon and the peer are on the same (directly attached) subnet, the advertised next hop is computed with respect to that network, otherwise the next hop is the local machine's current next hop. All routing information advertised by and received from a test peer is discarded, and all BGP advertisable routes are sent back to the test peer. Metrics from EGP- and BGP-derived routes are forwarded in the advertisement, otherwise no metric is included.

Group parameters

The BGP statement has group clauses and peer subclauses. Any number of peer subclauses may be specified within a group. A group clause usually defines default parameters for a group of peers, these parameters apply to all subsidiary peer subclauses. Any parameters from the peer subclause may be specified on the group clause to provide defaults for the whole group (which may be overridden for individual peers).

Specifying peers

Within a group, BGP peers may be configured in one of two ways. They may be explicitly configured with a **peer** statement, or implicitly configured with the **allow** statement. Both are described here:

Item	Description
allow	The allow clause allows for peer connections from any addresses in the specified range of network and mask pairs. All parameters for these peers must be configured on the group clause. The internal peer structures are created when an incoming open request is received and destroyed when the connection is broken. For more detail on specifying the network/mask pairs, see the section on Route Filtering .
peer host	A peer clause configures an individual peer. Each peer inherits all parameters specified on a group as defaults. Those defaults may be overridden by parameters explicitly specified on the peer subclause.

Within each group clause, individual peers can be specified or a group of *potential* peers can be specified using **allow**. Allow is used to specify a set of address masks. If the **gated** daemon receives a BGP connection request from any address in the set specified, it will accept it and set up a peer relationship.

Peer parameters

The BGP peer subclause allows the following parameters, which can also be specified on the group clause. All are optional.

metricout metric

If specified, this metric is used as the primary metric on all routes sent to the specified peer(s). This metric overrides the default metric, a metric specified on the group and any metric specified by export policy.

localas *autonomous_system*

Identifies the autonomous system that the **gated** daemon is representing to this group of peers. The default is that which has been set globally in the **autonomous_system** statement.

nogendefault

Prevents **gated.conf** from generating a default route when EGP receives a valid update from its neighbor. The default route is only generated when the **gendefault** option is enabled.

gateway gateway

If a network is not shared with a peer, gateway specifies a router on an attached network to be used as the next hop router for routes received from this neighbor. This parameter is not needed in most cases.

preference *preference*

Specifies the preference used for routes learned from these peers. This can differ from the default BGP preference set in the `bgp` statement, so that the **gated** daemon can prefer routes from one peer, or group of peer, over others. This preference may be explicitly overridden by import policy.

preference2 *preference*

In the case of a preference tie, the second preference, `preference2` may be used to break the tie. The default value is 0.

lcladdr *local_address*

Specifies the address to be used on the local end of the TCP connection with the peer. For external peers the local address must be on an interface that is shared with the peer or with the peer's gateway when the `gateway` parameter is used. A session with an external peer will only be opened when an interface with the appropriate local address (through which the peer or gateway address is directly reachable) is operating. For other types of peers, a peer session will be maintained when any interface with the specified local address is operating. In either case, incoming connections will only be recognized as matching a configured peer if they are addressed to the configured local address.

holdtime *time*

Specifies the BGP holdtime value to use when negotiating the connection with this peer, in seconds. According to BGP, if the **gated** daemon does not receive a keepalive, update, or notification message within the period specified in the Hold Time field of the BGP Open message, then the BGP connection will be closed. The value must be either 0 (no keepalives will be sent) or at least 3.

version *version*

Specifies the version of the BGP protocol to use with this peer. If not specified, the highest supported version is used first and version negotiation is attempted. If it is specified, only the specified version will be offered during negotiation. Currently supported versions are 2, 3 and 4.

passive

Specifies that active OPENs to this peer should not be attempted. the **gated** daemon should wait for the peer to issue an OPEN. By default, all explicitly configured peers are active, they periodically send OPEN messages until the peer responds.

indelay *time***outdelay *time***

Used to dampen route fluctuations. `Indelay` is the amount of time a route learned from a BGP peer must be stable before it is accepted into the gated routing database. `Outdelay` is the amount of time a route must be present in the gated routing database before it is exported to BGP. The default value for each is 0, meaning that these features are disabled.

keep all

Used to retain routes learned from a peer even if the routes' AS paths contain one of our exported AS numbers.

noagggregatorid

Causes the **gated** daemon to specify the routerid in the aggregator attribute as zero (instead of its routerid) in order to prevent different routers in an AS from creating aggregate routes with different AS paths.

keepalivesalways

Causes the **gated** daemon to always send keepalives, even when an update could have correctly substituted for one. This allows interoperability with routers that do not completely obey the protocol specifications on this point.

v3asloopokay

By default, the **gated** daemon will not advertise routes whose AS path is looped (that is, with an AS appearing more than once in the path) to version 3 external peers. Setting this flag removes this constraint. Ignored when set on internal groups or peers.

nov4asloop

Prevents routes with looped AS paths from being advertised to version 4 external peers. This can be useful to avoid advertising such routes to peers that would incorrectly forward the routes on to version 3 neighbors.

logupdown

Causes a message to be logged via the syslog mechanism whenever a BGP peer enters or leaves the ESTABLISHED state.

traceoptions *trace_options*

Specifies the tracing options for this BGP neighbor. By default, these are inherited from group or BGP global trace options.(See [Trace Statements](#) and the BGP specific tracing options below.)

Tracing options

Note: The state option works with BGP, but does not provide true state transition information.

Packet tracing options (which may be modified with detail, send, and recv):

Item	Description
packets	All BGP packets.
open	BGP OPEN packets that are used to establish a peer relationship.
update	BGP UPDATE packets that are used to pass network reachability information.
keepalive	BGP KEEPALIVE packets that are used to verify peer reachability.

The BGP4+ Statement

The options are the same for BGP4+ as they are for **bgp** but all the addresses will be IPv6 addresses.

The syntax is:

```
bgp4+ yes | no | on | off
[ {
  preference <preference> ;
  defaultmetric <metric> ;
  traceoptions <trace_options> ;
  group type ( external peeras <autonomous_system> )
    | ( internal peeras <autonomous_system> )
    | ( igp peeras <autonomous_system> proto <proto> )
    | ( routing peeras <autonomous_system> proto <proto>
        interface <interface_list> )
    | ( test peeras <autonomous_system> )
  {
    allow {
      <network>
      <network> masklen <number>
      all
      host <IPv6 host address>
    } ;
    peer <IPv6 host address>
      [ metricout <metric> ]
      [ localas <autonomous_system> ]
      [ nogendefault ]
      [ gateway <gateway> ]
      [ preference <preference> ]
      [ preference2 <preference> ]
      [ lcladdr <local_address> ]
      [ holdtime <time> ]
      [ version <number> ]
      [ passive ]
      [ sendbuffer <number> ]
      [ rcvbuffer <number> ]
      [ indelay <time> ]
      [ outdelay <time> ]
      [ keep [ all | none ] ]
      [ analretentive ]
      [ noauthcheck ]
      [ noaggregatorid ]
      [ keepalivesalways ]
      [ v3asloopokay ]
      [ nov4asloop ]
      [ logupdown ]
      [ ttl <ttl> ]
      [ traceoptions <trace_options> ]
  ;
}
```

```
    } ;  
} ] ;
```

The ICMP Statement

```
icmp {  
    traceoptions trace_options ;  
}
```

Item	Description
traceoptions <i>trace_options</i> ;	Specifies the tracing options for ICMP. (See Trace Statements and the ICMP specific tracing options below.)

Tracing options

Packet tracing options (which may be modified with `detail` and `recv`):

Item	Description
packets	All ICMP packets received.
redirect	Only ICMP REDIRECT packets received.
routerdiscovery	Only ICMP ROUTER DISCOVERY packets received.
info	Only ICMP informational packets, which include mask request/response, info request/response, echo request/response, and time stamp request/response.
error	Only ICMP error packets, which include time exceeded, parameter problem, unreachable and source quench.

The SNMP Statement

The Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP) is not a routing protocol but a network management protocol. The `snmp` statement controls whether **gated.conf** tries to contact the SNMP Multiplexing daemon to register supported variables. The SNMP daemon, `smuxd`, must be run independently. The `snmp` statement only controls whether **gated.conf** keeps the management software apprised of its status.

gated.conf communicates with the SNMP daemon via the SMUX protocol that is described in RFC 1227.

```
snmp yes | no | on | off  
[ {  
    port port ;  
    debug;  
    traceoptions trace_options;  
}] ;
```

Reporting is enabled by specifying `yes` or `on` and disabled with `no` or `off`. The default is `on`.

Item	Description
port <i>port</i>	By default, the SMUX daemon listens for requests on port 199. The gated.conf subroutine can be configured to try to contact the SMUX daemon on a different port by explicitly specifying the port.
debug	Specifying this option enables debugging of the ISODE SMUX code. The default is debugging disabled.
traceoptions <i>trace_options</i>	Specifies the tracing options for SMUX. (See Trace Statements and the SMUX specific tracing options below.)

Tracing options

There are no SNMP-specific trace options. The detail, send, and recv options are not supported.

Item	Description
receive	SNMP requests received from the SMUX daemon and the associated responses.
register	Protocol requests to register variables.
resolve	Protocol requests to resolve variable names.
trap	SNMP trap requests from protocols.

Static Statements

Static statements define the static routes used by the **gated** daemon. A single static statement can specify any number routes. The static statements occur after protocol statements and before control statements in the **gated.conf** file. Any number of static statements may be specified, each containing any number of static route definitions. These routes can be overridden by routes with better preference values.

```
static {
  ( host host ) | default |
  ( network [ ( mask mask ) | ( masklen number ) ] )
    gateway gateway_list
  [ interface interface_list ]
  [ preference preference ]
  [ retain]
  [ reject]
  [ blackhole]
  [ noinstall] ;
  ( network [ ( mask mask ) | ( masklen number ) ] )
    interface interface
  [ preference preference ]
  [ retain]
  [ reject]
  [ blackhole]
  [ noinstall] ;
} ;
```

host host gateway gateway_list (network [(mask mask) | (masklen number)]) default gateway gateway_list

This is the most general form of the static statement. It defines a static route through one or more gateways. Static routes are installed when one or more of the gateways listed are available on directly attached interfaces.

Parameters for static routes are:

Item	Description
interface <u>interface_list</u>	When this parameter is specified, gateways are only considered valid when they are on one of these interfaces. See the section on <u>interface_list</u> specification for the description of the <i>interface_list</i> .
preference <u>preference</u>	This option selects the preference of this static route. The preference controls how this route competes with routes from other protocols. The default preference is 60.

Item	Description
retain	Normally the gated daemon removes all routes except interface routes from the kernel forwarding table during a graceful shutdown. The retain option may be used to prevent specific static routes from being removed. This is useful to ensure that some routing is available when gated is not running.
reject	Instead of forwarding a packet like a normal route, reject routes cause packets to be dropped and unreachable messages to be sent to the packet originators. Specifying this option causes this route to be installed as a reject route. Not all kernel forwarding engines support reject routes.
blackhole	A blackhole route is the same as a reject route except that unreachable messages are not supported.
noinstall	Normally the route with the lowest preference is installed in the kernel forwarding table and is the route exported to other protocols. When noinstall is specified on a route, it will not be installed in the kernel forwarding table when it is active, but it will still be eligible to be exported to other protocols.

(*network* [(*mask mask*) | (*masklen number*)]) interface *interface*

This form defines a static interface route that is used for primitive support of multiple network addresses on one interface. The preference, **retain**, **reject**, **blackhole** and **noinstall** options are the same as described above.

The Import Statement

Importation of routes from routing protocols and installation of the routes in the **gated** daemon's routing database is controlled by **import** statements. The format of an **import** statement varies depending on the source protocol.

Specifying preferences

In all cases, one of two keywords may be specified to control how routes compete with other protocols:

restrict
preference preference

Item	Description
restrict	Specifies that the routes are not desired in the routing table. In some cases, this means that the routes are not installed in the routing table. In others, it means that they are installed with a negative preference; this prevents them from becoming <i>active</i> so they will not be installed in the forwarding table, or exported to other protocols.
preference <i>preference</i>	Specifies the preference value used when comparing this route to other routes from other protocols. The route with the lowest preference available at any given route becomes the <i>active</i> route, is installed in the forwarding table, and is eligible to be exported to other protocols. The default preferences are configured by the individual protocols.

Route Filters

All the formats allow route filters as shown below. See the section on [route filters](#) for a detailed explanation of how they work. When no route filtering is specified (that is, when `restrict` is specified on the first line of a statement), all routes from the specified source will match that statement. If any filters are specified, only routes that match the specified filters will be imported. Put differently, if any filters are specified, an all `restrict`; is assumed at the end of the list.

```
network [ exact | refines ]
network mask mask [exact | refines ]
network masklen number [ exact | refines ]
default
host host
```

Importing Routes from BGP and EGP

```
import proto bgp | EGP autonomoussystem autonomous_system
    restrict ;
import proto bgp | EGP autonomoussystem autonomous_system
    [ preference preference ] {
    route_filter [ restrict | ( preference preference ) ] ;
} ;

import proto bgp aspath aspath_regexp
    origin any | ( [ IGP ] [EGP ] [ incomplete ] )
    restrict ;
import proto bgp aspath aspath_regexp
    origin any | ( [ IGP ] [EGP ] [ incomplete ] )
    [ preference preference ] {
    route_filter [ restrict | ( preference preference ) ] ;
} ;
```

EGP importation may be controlled by autonomous system.

BGP also supports controlling propagation by the use of AS path regular expressions, which are documented in the section on [Matching AS paths](#).

Note: EGP and BGP versions 2 and 3 only support the propagation of *natural* networks, so the `host` and `default` route filters are meaningless. BGP version 4 supports the propagation of any destination along with a *contiguous* network mask.

EGP and BGP both store any routes that were rejected implicitly by not being mentioned in a route filter, or explicitly with the `restrict` keyword in the routing table with a negative preference. A negative preference prevents a route from becoming active, which prevents it from being installed in the forwarding table, or exported to other protocols. This alleviates the need to break and re-establish a session upon reconfiguration if importation policy is changed.

Importing Routes from RIP, HELLO and Redirects

```
import proto rip | hello | redirect
    [ ( interface interface_list ) | (gateway gateway_list ) ]
    restrict ;
import proto rip | hello | redirect
    [ ( interface interface_list ) | (gateway gateway_list ) ]
    [ preference preference ] {
    route_filter [ restrict | ( preference preference ) ] ;
} ;
```

The importation of RIP, HELLO, and Redirect routes may be controlled by any of protocol, source interface, and source gateway. If more than one is specified, they are processed from most general (protocol) to most specific (gateway).

RIP and HELLO don't support the use of preference to choose between routes of the same protocol. That is left to the protocol metrics. These protocols do not save routes that were rejected since they have short update intervals.

Importing Routes from OSPF

```
import proto ospfase [ tag ospf_tag ] restrict ;
import proto ospfase [ tag ospf_tag ]
    [ preference preference ] {
    route_filter [ restrict | ( preference preference ) ] ;
} ;
```

Due to the nature of OSPF, only the importation of ASE routes may be controlled. OSPF intra- and inter-area routes are always imported into the gated routing table with a preference of 10. If a tag is specified, the import clause will only apply to routes with the specified tag.

It is only possible to restrict the importation of OSPF ASE routes when functioning as an AS border router. This is accomplished by specifying an **export ospfase** clause. Specification of an empty export clause may be used to restrict importation of ASEs when no ASEs are being exported.

Like the other interior protocols, preference can not be used to choose between OSPF ASE routes, that is done by the OSPF costs. Routes that are rejected by policy are stored in the table with a negative preference.

The Export Statement

The **import** statement controls routes received from other systems that are used by the **gated** daemon, and the **export** statement controls which routes are advertised by the **gated** daemon to other systems. Like the **import** statement, the syntax of the **export** statement varies slightly per protocol. The syntax of the **export** statement is similar to the syntax of the **import** statement, and the meanings of many of the parameters are identical. The main difference between the two is that while route importation is just controlled by source information, route exportation is controlled by both destination and source.

The outer portion of a given **export** statement specifies the destination of the routing information you are controlling. The middle portion restricts the sources of importation that you wish to consider. And the innermost portion is a route filter used to select individual routes.

Specifying Metrics

The most specific specification of a metric is the one applied to the route being exported. The values that may be specified for a metric depend on the destination protocol that is referenced by this **export** statement.

```
restrict
metric metric
```

Item	Description
restrict	Specifies that nothing should be exported. If specified on the destination portion of the export statement, it specifies that nothing at all should be exported to this destination. If specified on the source portion, it specifies that nothing from this source should be exported to this destination. If specified as part of a route filter, it specifies that the routes matching that filter should not be exported.
metric <i>metric</i>	Specifies the metric to be used when exporting to the specified destination.

Route Filters

All the formats allow route filters as shown below. See the section on [route filters](#) for a detailed explanation of how they work. When no route filtering is specified (that is, when **restrict** is specified on the first line of a statement), all routes from the specified source will match that statement. If any filters

are specified, only routes that match the specified filters will be exported. Put differently, if any filters are specified, an all `restrict` ; is assumed at the end of the list.

```
network [ exact | refines ]
network mask mask [exact | refines ]
network masklen number [ exact | refines ]
default
host host
```

Specifying the Destination

As mentioned above, the syntax of the `export` statement varies depending on the protocol to which it is being applied. One thing that applies in all cases is the specification of a metric. All protocols define a default metric to be used for routes being exported, in most cases this can be overridden at several levels of the export statement.

The specification of the source of the routing information being exported (the `export_list`) is described below.

Exporting to EGP and BGP

```
export proto bgp | EGP as autonomous system
  restrict ;
export proto bgp | EGP as autonomous system
  [ metric metric ] {
    export_list ;
  } ;
```

Exportation to EGP and BGP is controlled by autonomous system, the same policy is applied to all routers in the AS.

EGP metrics range from 0 to 255 inclusive with 0 being the most attractive.

BGP metrics are 16 bit unsigned quantities, that is, they range from 0 to 65535 inclusive with 0 being the most attractive.

If no export policy is specified, only routes to attached interfaces will be exported. If any policy is specified, the defaults are overridden. It is necessary to explicitly specify everything that should be exported.

Note: EGP and BGP versions 2 and 3 only support the propagation of *natural* networks, so the `host` and `default` route filters are meaningless. BGP version 4 supports the propagation of any destination along with a *contiguous* network mask.

Exporting to RIP and HELLO

```
export proto rip | hello
  [ ( interface interface_list ) | (gateway gateway_list ) ]
  restrict ;
export proto rip | hello
  [ ( interface interface_list ) | (gateway gateway_list ) ]
  [ metric metric ] {
    export_list ;
  } ;
```

Exportation to RIP and HELLO is controlled by any of protocol, interface or gateway. If more than one is specified, they are processed from the most general (protocol) to the most specific (gateway).

It is not possible to set metrics for exporting RIP routes into RIP, or exporting HELLO routes into HELLO. Attempts to do this are silently ignored.

If no export policy is specified, RIP and interface routes are exported into RIP and HELLO and interface routes are exported into HELLO. If any policy is specified, the defaults are overridden. It is necessary to explicitly specify everything that should be exports.

RIP version 1 and HELLO assume that all subnets of the shared network have the same subnet mask so they are only able to propagate subnets of that network. RIP version 2 removes that restriction and is capable of propagating all routes when not sending version 1 compatible updates.

To announce routes that specify a next hop of the loopback interface (that is, static and internally generated default routes) via RIP or HELLO, it is necessary to specify the metric at some level in the export clause. For example, just setting a default metric for RIP or HELLO is not sufficient. This is a safeguard to verify that the announcement is intended.

Exporting to OSPF

```
export proto ospfase [ type 1 | 2 ] [ tag ospf_tag ]
  restrict ;
export proto ospfase [ type 1 | 2 ] [ tag ospf_tag ]
  [ metric metric ] {
    export_list ;
  } ;
```

It is not possible to create OSPF intra- or inter-area routes by exporting routes from the the **gated** daemon routing table into OSPF. It is only possible to export from the **gated** daemon routing table into OSPF ASE routes. It is also not possible to control the propagation of OSPF routes within the OSPF protocol.

There are two types of OSPF ASE routes, *type 1* and *type 2*. See the [OSPF protocol configuration](#) for a detailed explanation of the two types. The default type is specified by the defaults subclause of the ospf clause. This may be overridden by a specification on the export statement.

OSPF ASE routes also have the provision to carry a *tag*. This is an arbitrary 32 bit number that can be used on OSPF routers to filter routing information. See the [OSPF protocol configuration](#) for detailed information on OSPF tags. The default tag specified by the ospf defaults clause may be overridden by a tag specified on the export statement.

Specifying the Source

The export list specifies **export** based on the origin of a route and the syntax varies depending on the source.

Exporting BGP and EGP Routes

```
proto bgp | EGP autonomoussystem autonomous_system
  restrict ;
proto bgp | EGP autonomoussystem autonomous_system
  [ metric metric ] {
    route_filter [ restrict | ( metric metric ) ] ;
  } ;
```

BGP and EGP routes may be specified by the source autonomous system. All routes may be exported by as path, see the [Exporting by AS Path](#) section for more information.

Exporting RIP and HELLO Routes

```
proto rip | hello
  [ ( interface interface_list ) | ( gateway gateway_list ) ]
  restrict ;
proto rip | hello
  [ ( interface interface_list ) | ( gateway gateway_list ) ]
  [ metric metric ] {
    route_filter [ restrict | ( metric metric ) ] ;
  } ;
```

RIP and HELLO routes may be exported by protocol, source interface, and/or source gateway.

Exporting OSPF Routes

```
proto ospf | ospfase restrict ;
proto ospf | ospfase [ metric metric ] {
    route_filter [ restrict | ( metric metric ) ] ;
} ;
```

Both OSPF and OSPF ASE routes may be exported into other protocols. See below for information on exporting by tag.

Exporting Routes from Non-routing Protocols

Non-routing with Interface

```
proto direct | static | kernel
    [ (interface interface_list ) ]
    restrict ;
proto direct | static | kernel
    [ (interface interface_list ) ]
    [ metric metric ] {
        route_filter [ restrict | ( metric metric ) ] ;
    } ;
```

These protocols may be exported by protocol, or by the interface of the next hop. These protocols are:

Item	Description
direct	Routes to directly attached interfaces.
static	Static routes specified in a static clause.
kernel	Routes learned from the routing socket are installed in the gated routing table with a protocol of <i>kernel</i> . These routes may be exported by referencing this protocol.

Non-routing by Protocol

```
proto default | aggregate
    restrict ;
proto default | aggregate
    [ metric metric ] {
        route_filter [ restrict | ( metric metric ) ] ;
    } ;
```

These protocols may only be referenced by protocol.

Item	Description
default	Refers to routes created by the <code>gendefault</code> option. It is recommended that route generation be used instead.
aggregate	Refers to routes synthesized from other routes when the <code>aggregate</code> and <code>generate</code> statements are used. See the section on Route Aggregation for more information.

Exporting by AS Path

```
proto proto | all aspath aspath_regex
    origin any | ( [ IGP ] [EGP] [ incomplete ] )
    restrict ;
proto proto | all aspath aspath_regex
    origin any | ( [ IGP ] [EGP] [ incomplete ] )
    [ metric metric ] {
        route_filter [ restrict | ( metric metric ) ] ;
    } ;
```

When BGP is configured, all routes are assigned an AS path when they are added to the routing table. For all interior routes, this AS path specifies IGP as the origin and no ASEs in the AS path (the current AS is

added when the route is exported). For EGP routes this AS path specifies EGP as the origin and the source AS as the AS path. For BGP routes, the AS path is stored as learned from BGP.

AS path regular expressions are documented in the section on [Matching AS paths](#).

Exporting by Route Tag

```
proto proto | all tag tag restrict ;
proto proto | all tag tag
[ metric metric ] {
    route_filter [ restrict | ( metric metric ) ] ;
} ;
```

Both OSPF and RIP version 2 currently support tags; all other protocols always have a tag of zero. The source of exported routes may be selected based on this tag. This is useful when routes are classified by a tag when they are exported into a given routing protocol.

Route Aggregation

Route aggregation is a method of generating a more general route given the presence of a specific route. It is used, for example, at an autonomous system border to generate a route to a network to be advertised via EGP given the presence of one or more subnets of that network learned via RIP. No aggregation is performed unless explicitly requested in an aggregate statement.

Route aggregation is also used by regional and national networks to reduce the amount of routing information passed around. With careful allocation of network addresses to clients, regional networks can just announce one route to regional networks instead of hundreds.

Aggregate routes are not actually used for packet forwarding by the originator of the aggregate route, only by the receiver (if it wishes).

A slight variation of aggregation is the generation of a route based on the existence of certain conditions. This is sometimes known as the *route of last resort*. This route inherits the next hops and aspath from the contributor specified with the lowest (most favorable) preference. The most common usage for this is to generate a default based on the presence of a route from a peer on a neighboring backbone.

Aggregation and Generation syntax

aggregate default

```
| ( network [ ( mask mask ) | ( masklen number ) ] )
[ preference preference ] [ brief ] {
proto [ all | direct | static | kernel | aggregate | proto ]
    [ ( as autonomous system ) | ( tag tag )
      | ( aspath aspath_regexp ) ]
    restrict ;
proto [ all | direct | static | kernel | aggregate | proto ]
    [ ( as autonomous system ) | ( tag tag )
      | ( aspath aspath_regexp ) ]
    [ preference preference ] {
    route_filter [ restrict | ( preference preference ) ] ;
} ;
} ;
```

generate default

```
| ( network [ ( mask mask ) | ( masklen number ) ] )
[ preference preference ] {
    [ ( as autonomous system ) | ( tag tag )
      | ( aspath aspath_regexp ) ]
    restrict ;
proto [ all | direct | static | kernel | aggregate | proto ]
```

```

    [ ( as autonomous system ) | ( tag tag )
      | ( aspath aspath_regex ) ]
    [ preference preference ] {
route_filter [ restrict | ( preference preference ) ] ;
    } ;
} ;

```

Routes that match the route filters are called *contributing* routes. They are ordered according to the aggregation preference that applies to them. If there are more than one contributing routes with the same aggregating preference, the route's own preferences are used to order the routes. The preference of the aggregate route will be that of contributing route with the lowest aggregate preference.

Item	Description
preference preference	Specifies the preference to assign to the resulting aggregate route. The default preference is 130.
brief	Used to specify that the AS path should be truncated to the longest common AS path. The default is to build an AS path consisting of SETs and SEQUENCES of all contributing AS paths.
proto <i>proto</i>	In addition to the special protocols listed, the contributing protocol may be chosen from among any of the ones supported (and currently configured into) gated .
as <i>autonomous_system</i>	Restrict selection of routes to those learned from the specified autonomous system.
tag <i>tag</i>	Restrict selection of routes to those with the specified tag.
aspath <i>aspath_regex</i>	Restrict selection of routes to those that match the specified AS path.
restrict	Indicates that these routes are not to be considered as contributors of the specified aggregate. The specified protocol may be any of the protocols supported by the gated daemon.
<i>route_filter</i>	See the section on Route Filters for more detail.

A route may only contribute to an aggregate route that is more general than itself; it must match the aggregate under its mask. Any given route may only contribute to one aggregate route, which will be the most specific configured, but an aggregate route may contribute to a more general aggregate.

Route Filters

All the formats allow route filters as shown below. See the section on [route filters](#) for a detailed explanation of how they work. When no route filtering is specified (that is, when **restrict** is specified on the first line of a statement), all routes from the specified source will match that statement. If any filters are specified, only routes that match the specified filters will be considered as contributors. Put differently, if any filters are specified, an `all restrict ;` is assumed at the end of the list.

```

network [ exact | refines ]
network mask mask [ exact | refines ]
network masklen number [ exact | refines ]
default
host host

```


Preference

Preference is the value the **gated** daemon uses to order preference of routes from one protocol or peer over another. Preference can be set in the **gated.conf** configuration file in several different configuration statements.

Preference can be set based on network interface over another, from one protocol over another, or from one remote gateway over another.

Preference may not be used to control the selection of routes within an **IGP**, this is accomplished automatically by the protocol based on metric. Preference may be used to select routes from the same **EGP** learned from different peers or autonomous systems.

Each route has only one preference value associated with it, even though preference can be set at many places in the configuration file. Simply, the last or most specific preference value set for a route is the value used. The preference value is an arbitrarily assigned value used to determine the order of routes to the same destination in a single routing database. The active route is chosen by the lowest preference value.

Some protocols implement a second preference (preference2), sometimes referred to as a tie-breaker.

Selecting a Route

- The route with the best (numerically smallest) preference is preferred.
- If the two routes have the same preference, the route with the best (numerically smallest) preference2 (also known as a tie-breaker) is preferred.
- A route learned from a **IGP** is preferred to a route learned from an **EGP**. Least preferred is a route learned indirectly by an **IGP** from an **EGP**.
- If AS path information is available it is used to help determine the most preferred route.
 - A route with an AS path is preferred over one without an AS path.
 - If the AS paths and origins are identical, the route with the lower metric is preferred.
 - A route with an AS path origin of **IGP** is preferred over a route with an AS path origin of **EGP**. Least preferred is an AS path with an **unknown** origin.
 - A route with a shorter AS path is preferred.
- If both routes are from the same protocol and AS, the one with the lowest metric is preferred.
- The route with the lowest numeric next-hop address is used.

Assigning Preferences

A default preference is assigned to each source from which the **gated** daemon receives routes. Preference values range from 0 to 255 with the lowest number indicating the most preferred route.

The following table summarizes the default preference values for routes learned in various ways. The table lists the statements (some of these are clauses within statements) that set preference, and shows the types of routes to which each statement applies. The default preference for each type of route is listed, and the table notes preference precedence between protocols. The narrower the scope of the statement, the higher precedence its preference value is given, but the smaller the set of routes it affects.

Preference Of	Defined by Statement	Default
direct connected networks	interface	0
OSPF routes	ospf	10
IS-IS level 1 routes	isis level 1	15
IS-IS level 2 routes	isis level 2	18
internally generated default	gendefault	20
redirects	redirect	30
routes learned via route socket	kernel	40
static routes from config	static	60
ANS SPF (SLSP) routes	slsp	70
HELLO routes	hello	90
RIP routes	rip	100
point-to-point interface		110

routes to interfaces that are down	interfaces	120
aggregate/generate routes	aggregate/generate	130
OSPF AS external routes	ospf	150
BGP routes	bgp	170
EGP	EGP	200

Sample Preference Specifications

```

interfaces {
    interface 138.66.12.2 preference 10 ;
} ;
rip yes {
    preference 90 ;
} ;
import proto rip gateway 138.66.12.1 preference 75 ;

```

In these statements, the preference applicable to routes learned via RIP from gateway 138.66.12.1 is 75. The last preference applicable to routes learned via RIP from gateway 128.66.12.1 is defined in the accept statement. The preference applicable to other RIP routes is found in the rip statement. The preference set on the interface statement applies only to the route to that interface.

The Router Discovery Protocol

The Router Discovery Protocol is an IETF standard protocol used to inform hosts of the existence of routers. It is used in place of, or in addition to statically configured default routes in hosts.

The protocol is split into two portions, the *server* portion which runs on routers, and the *client* portion that runs on hosts. The **gated** daemon treats these much like two separate protocols, only one of which may be enabled at a time.

The Router Discovery Server

The Router Discovery Server runs on routers and announces their existence to hosts. It does this by periodically multicasting or broadcasting a **Router Advertisement** to each interface on which it is enabled. These Router Advertisements contain a list of all the routers addresses on a given interface and their preference for use as default routers.

Initially, these Router Advertisements occur every few seconds, then fall back to every few minutes. In addition, a host may send a **Router Solicitation** to which the router will respond with a unicast Router Advertisement (unless a multicast or broadcast advertisement is due momentarily).

Each Router Advertisement contains an *Advertisement Lifetime* field indicating for how long the advertised addresses are valid. This lifetime is configured such that another Router Advertisement will be sent before the lifetime has expired. A lifetime of zero is used to indicate that one or more addresses are no longer valid.

The Router Advertisements are by default sent to the all-hosts multicast address 224.0.0.1. However, the use of broadcast may be specified. When Router Advertisements are being sent to the all-hosts multicast address, or an interface is configured for the limited-broadcast address 255.255.255.255, all IP addresses configured on the physical interface are included in the Router Advertisement. When the Router Advertisements are being sent to a net or subnet broadcast, only the address associated with that net or subnet is included.

The Router Discovery Server Statement

```

routerdiscovery server yes | no | on | off [ {
    traceoptions trace_options ;
    interface interface_list
        [minadvinterval time]
        [maxadvinterval time]
        [lifetime time]
    ;
}

```

```

    address interface_list
        [advertise] | [ignore]
        [broadcast] | [multicast]
        [ineligible] | [preference preference]
    ;
} ] ;

```

traceoptions trace_options

Specifies the Router Discovery tracing options. (See [Trace Statements](#) and the Router Discovery specific tracing options below.)

interface interface_list

Specifies the parameters that apply to physical interfaces. Note a slight difference in convention from the rest of the gated daemon, **interface** specifies just physical interfaces (such as `en0` and `tr0`), while **address** specifies protocol (in this case IP) addresses.

Interface parameters are:

maxadvinterval time

The maximum time allowed between sending broadcast or multicast Router Advertisements from the interface. Must be no less than 4 and no more than 30:00 (30 minutes or 1800 seconds). The default is **10:00** (10 minutes or 600 seconds).

minadvinterval time

The minimum time allowed between sending unsolicited broadcast or multicast Router Advertisements from the interface. Must be no less than 3 seconds and no greater than **maxadvinterval**. The default is **0.75 * maxadvinterval**.

lifetime time

The lifetime of addresses in a Router Advertisement. Must be no less than **maxadvinterval** and no greater than 2:30:00 (two hours, thirty minutes or 9000 seconds). The default is **3 * maxadvinterval**.

address interface_list

Specifies the parameters that apply to the specified set of addresses on this physical interface. Note a slight difference in convention from the rest of **gated.conf**; **interface** specifies just physical interfaces (such as `en0` and `tr0`), while **address** specifies protocol (in this case IP) addresses.

advertise

Specifies that the specified address(es) should be included in Router Advertisements. This is the default.

ignore

Specifies that the specified address(es) should not be included in Router Advertisements.

broadcast

Specifies that the given address(es) should be included in a broadcast Router Advertisement because this system does not support IP multicasting, or some hosts on attached network do not support IP multicasting. It is possible to mix addresses on a physical interface such that some are included in a broadcast Router Advertisement and some are included in a multicast Router Advertisement. This is the default if the router does not support IP multicasting.

multicast

Specifies that the given address(es) should only be included in a multicast Router Advertisement. If the system does not support IP multicasting the address(es) will not be included. If the system supports IP multicasting, the default is to include the address(es) in a multicast Router Advertisement if the given interface supports IP multicasting, if not the address(es) will be included in a broadcast Router Advertisement.

preference preference

The preferability of the address(es) as a default router address, relative to other router addresses on the same subnet. A 32-bit, signed, twos-complement integer, with higher values meaning more preferable. Note that hex 80000000 may only be specified as **ineligible**. The default is **0**.

ineligible

Specifies that the given address(es) will be assigned a preference of (hex 80000000) that means that it is not eligible to be the default route for any hosts.

This is useful when the address(es) should not be used as a default route, but are given as the next hop in an ICMP redirect. This allows the hosts to verify that the given addresses are up and available.

The Router Discovery Client

A host listens for Router Advertisements via the all-hosts multicast address (224.0.0.2), If IP multicasting is available and enabled, or on the interface's broadcast address. When starting up, or when reconfigured, a host may send a few Router Solicitations to the all-routers multicast address, 224.0.0.2, or the interface's broadcast address.

When a Router Advertisement with non-zero lifetime is received, the host installs a default route to each of the advertised addresses. If the preference **ineligible**, or the address is not on an attached interface, the route is marked unusable but retained. If the preference is usable, the metric is set as a function of the preference such that the route with the best preference is used. If more than one address with the same preference is received, the one with the lowest IP address will be used. These default routes are not exportable to other protocols.

When a Router Advertisement with a zero lifetime is received, the host deletes all routes with next-hop addresses learned from that router. In addition, any routes learned from ICMP redirects pointing to these addresses will be deleted. The same will happen when a Router Advertisement is not received to refresh these routes before the lifetime expires.

The Router Discovery Client Statement

```
routerdiscovery client yes | no | on | off [ {
    traceoptions trace_options ;
    preference preference ;
    interface interface_list
        [ enable ] | [ disable ]
    [ broadcast ] | [ multicast ]
    [ quiet ] | [ solicit ]
    ;
} ] ;
```

traceoptions *trace_options*

Specifies the tracing options for Router Discovery Client. (See [Trace Statements](#) and the Router Discovery Client specific tracing options below.)

preference *preference* ;

Specifies the preference of all Router Discovery default routes. The default is **55**.

interface *interface_list*

Specifies the parameters that apply to physical interfaces. Note a slight difference in convention from the rest of **gated**, **interface** specifies just physical interfaces (such as `en0` and `tr0`). The Router Discovery Client has no parameters that apply only to interface addresses.

enable

Specifies that Router Discovery should be performed on the specified interface(s). This is the default.

disable

Specifies that Router Discovery should not be performed on the specified interface(s).

broadcast

Specifies that Router Solicitations should be broadcast on the specified interface(s). This is the default if IP multicast support is not available on this host or interface.

multicast

Specifies that Router Solicitations should be multicast on the specified interface(s). If IP multicast is not available on this host and interface, no solicitation will be performed. The default is to multicast Router Solicitations if the host and interface support it, otherwise Router Solicitations are broadcast.

quiet

Specifies that no Router Solicitations will be sent on this interface, even though Router Discovery will be performed.

solicit

Specifies that initial Router Solicitations will be sent on this interface. This is the default.

Tracing options

The Router Discovery Client and Server support the `state trace` flag that traces various protocol occurrences.

Item	Description
state	State transitions

The Router Discovery Client and Server do not directly support any packet tracing options, tracing of router discovery packets is enabled via the [ICMP Statement](#).

Route Filtering

Routes are filtered by specifying configuration language that will match a certain set of routes by destination, or by destination and mask. Among other places, route filters are used on `martians`, `import` and `export` statements.

The action taken when no match is found is dependent on the context, for instance `import` and `export` route filters assume an `all reject` ; at the end of a list.

A route will match the most specific filter that applies. Specifying more than one filter with the same destination, mask and modifiers will generate an error.

Filtering syntax

```
network [ exact | refines ]
network mask mask [ exact | refines ]
network masklen number [ exact | refines ]
all
default
host host
```

These are all the possible formats for a route filter. Not all of these formats are available in all places, for instance the `host` and `default` formats are not valid for `martians`.

In most cases it is possible to specify additional parameters relevant to the context of the filter. For example, on a `martian` statement it is possible to specify the `allow` keyword, on an `import` statement you can specify a preference, and on a `export` you can specify a metric.

network [exact | refines]

network mask mask [exact | refines]

network masklen number [exact | refines]

Matching usually requires both an address and a mask, although the mask is implied in the shorthand forms listed below. These three forms vary in how the mask is specified. In the first form, the mask is implied to be the natural mask of the network. In the second, the mask is explicitly specified. In the third, the mask is specified by the number of contiguous one bits.

If no additional parameters are specified, any destination that falls in the range given by the network and mask is matched, the mask of the destination is ignored. If a *natural* network is specified, the network, any subnets, and any hosts will be match. The two optional modifiers cause the mask of the destination to be considered also:

exact

This parameter specifies that the mask of the destination must match the supplied mask *exactly*. This is used to match a network, but no subnets or hosts of that network.

refines

Specifies that the mask of the destination must be more specified (that is, longer) than the filter mask. This is used to match subnets and/or hosts of a network, but not the network.

all

This entry matches anything. It is equivalent to:

```
0.0.0.0 mask 0.0.0.0
```

default

Matches the **default** route. To match, the address must be the default address and the mask must be all zeros. This is equivalent to:

```
0.0.0.0 mask 0.0.0.0 exact
```

host host

Matches the specific host. To match, the address must exactly match the specified *host* and the network mask must be a host mask (that is, all ones). This is equivalent to:

```
host mask 255.255.255 exact
```

Matching AS Paths

An AS path is a list of autonomous systems that routing information has passed through to get to this router, and an indicator of the origin of the AS path. This information can be used to prefer one path to a destination network over another. The primary method for doing this with **gated.conf** is to specify a list of patterns to be applied to AS paths when importing and exporting routes.

Each autonomous system that a route passed through prepends its AS number to the beginning of the AS path.

The origin information details the completeness of AS path information. An origin of **IGP** indicates the route was learned from an interior routing protocol and is most likely complete. An origin of **EGP** indicates the route was learned from an exterior routing protocol that does not support AS paths (EGP, for example) and the path is most likely not complete. When the path information is definitely not complete, an origin of **incomplete** is used.

AS path regular expressions are defined in RFC 1164 section 4.2.

AS Path Matching Syntax

An AS path is matched using the following syntax:

```
aspath aspath_regexp origin any | ( [IGP] [EGP] [incomplete] )
```

This specifies that an AS matching the *aspath_regexp* with the specified origin is matched.

AS Path Regular Expressions

Technically, an AS path regular expression is a regular expression with the alphabet being the set of AS numbers. An AS path regular expression is composed of one or more AS paths expressions. An AS path expressions is composed of AS path terms and AS path operators.

AS Path Terms

An AS path term is one of the following three objects:

```
autonomous_system
( aspath_regexp )
```

Item	Description
<i>autonomous_system</i>	Is any valid autonomous system number, from one through 65534 inclusive.
.	Matches any autonomous system number.
(<i>aspath_regexp</i>)	Contains parentheses group subexpressions—an operator, such as * or ? works on a single element or on a regular expression enclosed in parentheses.

AS Path Operators

An AS path operator is one of the following:

```
aspath_term {m,n}
aspath_term {m}
aspath_term {m,}
aspath_term *
aspath_term +
aspath_term ?
aspath_term | aspath_term
```

Item	Description
<i>aspath_term</i> {m,n}	a regular expression followed by {m, n} (where m and n are both non-negative integers and m <= n) means at least m and at most n repetitions.
<i>aspath_term</i> {m}	a regular expression followed by {m} (where m is a positive integer) means exactly m repetitions.
<i>aspath_term</i> {m,}	a regular expression followed by {m, } (where m is a positive integer) means m or more repetitions.
<i>aspath_term</i> *	an AS path term followed by * means zero or more repetitions. This is shorthand for {0, }.
<i>aspath_term</i> +	a regular expression followed by + means one or more repetitions. This is shorthand for {1, }.
<i>aspath_term</i> ?	a regular expression followed by ? means zero or one repetition. This is shorthand for {0, 1}.
<i>aspath_term</i> <i>aspath_term</i>	matches the AS term on the left, or the AS term on the right.

gateways File Format for TCP/IP

Purpose

Specifies Internet routing information to the **routed** daemon on a network.

Description

The **/etc/gateways** file identifies gateways for the **routed** daemon. Ordinarily, the daemon queries the network and builds routing tables. The daemon builds the tables from routing information transmitted by other hosts directly connected to the network. Gateways that the daemon cannot identify through its queries are known as *distant gateways*. Such gateways should be identified in the **gateways** file, which the **routed** daemon reads when it starts.

The general format of an entry (contained on a single line) in the **gateways** file is:

Following is a brief description of each element in an **gateways** file entry:

Item	Description
Destination	A keyword that indicates whether the route is to a network or a specific host. The two possible keywords are net and host .
Name1	The name associated with <i>Destination</i> . The <i>Name1</i> variable can be either a symbolic name (as used in the <u>/etc/hosts</u> or <u>/etc/networks</u> file) or an Internet address specified in dotted-decimal format.
gateway	An indicator that the following string identifies the gateway host.
Name2	The name or address of the gateway host to which messages should be forwarded.
metric	An indicator that the next string represents the hop count to the destination host or network.
Value	The hop count, or number of gateways from the local network to the destination network.
Type	A keyword that indicates whether the gateway should be treated as active, passive, or external. The three possible keywords are:
active	An active gateway is treated like a network interface. That is, the gateway is expected to exchange Routing Information Protocol (RIP) information. As long as the gateway is active, information about it is maintained in the internal routing tables. This information is included with any routing information transmitted through RIP. If the gateway does not respond for a period of time, the associated route is deleted from the internal routing tables.
passive	A passive gateway is not expected to exchange RIP information. Information about the gateway is maintained in the routing tables indefinitely and is included with any routing information transmitted through RIP.
external	An external gateway is identified to inform the routed daemon that another routing process will install such a route and that alternative routes to that destination should not be installed. Information about external gateways is not maintained in the internal routing tables and is not transmitted through RIP.

Note: These routes must be to networks.

Examples

1. To specify a route to a network through a gateway host with an entry in the **gateways** file, enter a line in the following format:

```
net net2 gateway host4 metric 4 passive
```

This example specifies a route to a network, `net2`, through the gateway `host4`. The hop count `metric` to `net2` is 4 and the gateway is treated as `passive`.

2. To specify a route to a host through a gateway host with an entry in the **gateways** file, enter a line in the following format:

```
host host2 gateway host4 metric 4 passive
```

This example specifies a route to a host, `host2`, through the gateway `host4`. The hop count `metric` to `host2` is 4 and the gateway is treated as `passive`.

3. To specify a route to a host through an active Internet gateway with an entry in the **gateways** file, enter a line in the following format:


```
host host10 gateway 192.100.11.5 metric 9
active
```

This example specifies a route to a specific host, host10, through the gateway 192.100.11.5. The hop count metric to host10 is 9 and the gateway is treated as active

4. To specify a route to a host through a passive Internet gateway with an entry in the **gateways** file, enter a line in the following format:

```
host host10 gateway 192.100.11.5 metric 9
passive
```

5. To specify a route to a network through an external gateway with an entry in the **gateways** file, enter a line in the following format:

```
net net5 gateway host7 metric 11 external
```

This example specifies a route to a network, net5, through the gateway host7. The hop count metric to net5 is 11 and the gateway is treated as external (that is, it is not advertised through RIP but instead through an unspecified routing protocol).

Files

Item

/usr/lpp/tcpip/samples/gateways

Description

Contains the sample **gateways** file, which also contains directions for its use.

Related information

[routed command](#)

[TCP/IP routing gateways](#)

hosts File Format for TCP/IP

Purpose

Defines the Internet Protocol (IP) name and address of the local host and specifies the names and addresses of remote hosts.

Description

The **/etc/hosts** file contains the Internet Protocol (IP) host names and addresses for the local host and other hosts in the Internet network. This file is used to resolve a name into an address (that is, to translate a host name into its Internet address). When your system is using a name server, the file is accessed only if the name server cannot resolve the host name.

When the local host is using the DOMAIN protocol, the resolver routines query a remote DOMAIN name server before searching this file. In a flat network with no name server, the resolver routines search this file for host name and address data.

Entries in the **hosts** file have the following format:

Address HostName

In this entry, *Address* is an IP address specified in either dotted decimal or octal format, and *HostName* is the name of a host specified in either relative or absolute domain name format. If you specify the absolute domain name, the portion of the name preceding the first . (period) has a maximum length of 63 characters and cannot contain blanks. For both formats of the name, the total number of characters cannot exceed 255 characters, and each entry must be contained on one line. Multiple *HostNames* (or aliases) can be specified.

Note: Valid host names or alias host names must contain at least one alphabetic character. If you choose to specify a host name or alias that begins with an x followed by any hexadecimal digit (0-f), the host name or alias must also contain at least one additional letter that cannot be expressed as a hexadecimal digit. The system interprets a leading x followed by a hexadecimal digit as the base 16 representation of an address, unless there is at least one character in the host name or alias that is not a hexadecimal digit. Thus, xdeer would be a valid host name, whereas xdee would not.

This file can contain two special case entries that define reserved (or well-known) host names. These host names are:

Item	Description
timeserver	Identifies a remote time server host. This host name is used by the setclock command.
printserver	Identifies the default host for receiving print requests.

In this **hosts** file entry, the *Address* parameter is an IP address specified in either dotted decimal or octal format, and each *HostName* parameter is a host name specified in either relative or absolute domain name format. These never have the full domain name listed; they are always listed as either **printserver** or **timeserver**.

Note: The local **/etc/resolv.conf** file defines where DOMAIN name servers are, and the name server file defines where Internet services are available. Although it is not necessary to define well-known hosts in the **hosts** file when using the DOMAIN protocol, it may be useful if they are not defined by your name server.

Entries in this file can be made by using the System Management Interface Tool (SMIT) or the **hostent** command, or by creating and editing the file with an editor.

Examples

In these examples, the name of the local host is the first line in each **hosts** file. This is to help you identify the host whose file is being displayed. Your host does not have to be defined on the first line of your **hosts** file.

1. The following sample entries might be contained in the **hosts** files for two different hosts on a network that is not running a DOMAIN name server:

Host1

```
185.300.10.1 host1
185.300.10.2 host2
185.300.10.3 host3
185.300.10.4 host4 merlin
185.300.10.5 host5 arthur king
185.300.10.5 timeserver
```

Host 2

```
185.300.10.2 host2
185.300.10.1 host1
185.300.10.3 host3
185.300.10.4 host4 merlin
185.300.10.5 host5 arthur king
```

In this sample network with no name server, the **hosts** file for each host must contain the Internet address and host name for each host on the network. Any host that is not listed cannot be accessed. The host at Internet address 185.300.10.4 in this example can be accessed by either name: host4 or merlin. The host at Internet address 185.300.10.5 can be accessed by any of the names host5, arthur, or king.

2. Following is a sample entry in the **hosts** files for a different host on a DOMAIN network, but the host is not the name server, and the host is keeping some additional host names for a smaller network:

Host 5

```
128.114.1.15 name1.xyz.aus.century.com name1
128.114.1.14 name2.xyz.aus.century.com name2
128.114.1.16 name3.xyz.aus.century.com name3
```

In this sample, `host5` is not a name server, but is attached to a DOMAIN network. The `hosts` file for `host5` contains address entries for all hosts in the smaller network, and the DOMAIN data files contain the DOMAIN database. The entries in the `host5` **hosts** file that begin with `128.114` indicate that `host5` resolves names for hosts on the smaller network.

Related reference

[ethers File for NIS](#)

[irs.conf File](#)

[resolv.ldap File Format for TCP/IP](#)

Related information

[hostent command](#)

[gethostbyaddr](#)

[TCP/IP name resolution](#)

hosts.equiv File Format for TCP/IP

Purpose

Specifies remote systems that can execute commands on the local system.

Description

The `/etc/hosts.equiv` file, along with any local `$HOME/.rhosts` files, defines the hosts (computers on a network) and user accounts that can invoke remote commands on a local host without supplying a password. A user or host that is not required to supply a password is considered trusted.

When a local host receives a remote command request, the appropriate local daemon first checks the `/etc/hosts.equiv` file to determine if the request originates with a trusted user or host. For example, if the local host receives a remote login request, the **rlogin** daemon checks for the existence of a **hosts.equiv** file on the local host. If the file exists but does not define the host or user, the system checks the appropriate `$HOME/.rhosts` file. This file is similar to the `/etc/hosts.equiv` file, except that it is maintained for individual users.

Both files, **hosts.equiv** and **.rhosts** must have permissions denying write access to group and other. If either group or other have write access to a file, that file will be ignored.

Do not give write permission to the `/etc/hosts.equiv` file to group and others. Permissions of the `/etc/hosts.equiv` file should be set to 600 (read and write by owner only).

If a remote command request is made by the root user, the `/etc/hosts.equiv` file is ignored and only the `.rhosts` file is read.

Note: Be careful when establishing trusted relationships. Networks that use trusted facilities can be less secure than those that do not.

Granting and Denying Trust

You grant trust from a local host to a remote host or remote user. The local machine's `/etc/hosts.equiv` file contains entries for each trusted host or user. The format of an entry is:

```
HostName [UserName]
```

The `HostName` field specifies the name of the host to trust. The `UserName` field specifies the name of the user on that remote host to trust. The `UserName` field is optional.

You can use the + (plus sign) as a wildcard in either the *HostName* or *UserName* field to grant trust to all users from a particular host or from all hosts that a specific user has an account on. To grant trust to every user on every machine on the network, place a plus sign (+) at the beginning of the file.

Note: When granting access through the **/etc/hosts.equiv** file, extreme caution must be used. Lines that include a *UserName*, either as an individual user, a netgroup, or the + (plus sign used as a wildcard character), permit the qualifying users to access the system as any non-root local user.

You deny a host or user trust by omitting them from the **/etc/hosts.equiv** file altogether. By omitting the host or user, you imply they are not trusted. This is the most secure way to deny trust. Otherwise, you can explicitly deny trust to a specific host or user by using the - (minus sign). The format to explicitly deny a host is:

```
-HostName
```

The format to explicitly deny a specific user from a host is:

```
HostName [-UserName]
```

Using NIS with the /etc/hosts.equiv file

If your network uses the Network Information Services (NIS), you can use netgroups in place of either the *HostName* or *UserName* field. The system resolves the netgroup depending on which field the netgroup replaces. For example, if you place a netgroup in the *HostName* field, the system resolves the hosts component of the netgroup. If the netgroup appears in the *UserName* field, the user component is resolved. Use the following format to grant trust to a netgroup:

```
+@NetGroup
```

To deny trust, use the following:

```
-@NetGroup
```

Refer to the NIS [netgroup](#) file for more information on netgroups.

Ordering Entries in the /etc/hosts.equiv File

The order of entries in the **/etc/hosts.equiv** file is important. When verifying trust, the system parses the **/etc/hosts.equiv** file from top to bottom. When it encounters an entry that matches the host or user attempting a remote command, the system stops parsing the file and grants or denies trust based on the entry. Any additional entries that appear later in the file are ignored.

Examples

1. To allow all the users on remote hosts *emerald* and *amethyst* to log in to host *diamond*, enter:

```
emerald  
amethyst
```

These entries in *diamond*'s **/etc/hosts.equiv** file allow all the users on *emerald* and *amethyst* with local accounts on *diamond* to remotely log in without supplying a password.

2. To allow only the user *gregory* to remotely login to *diamond* from host *amethyst*, enter:

```
emerald  
amethyst gregory
```

This entry in *diamond*'s **/etc/hosts.equiv** file forces all the users on *amethyst*, except for *gregory*, to supply a password when remotely logging in to *diamond*.

3. To grant trust to *peter* regardless of the host he attempts to execute remote commands from, enter:

```
emerald
amethyst gregory
+ peter
```

This entry in diamond's **/etc/hosts.equiv** file allows peter to execute remote commands on diamond from any host that he has an account on.

4. To allow all hosts in the century netgroup to execute remote commands on host diamond, enter:

```
emerald
amethyst gregory
+ peter
+@century
```

This entry in diamond's **/etc/hosts.equiv** file grants trust to all hosts in the century netgroup. This means that any user with an account on a century host and an account on diamond can execute remote commands on diamond without supplying a password.

5. To allow all the users in the engineers netgroup with accounts on citrine to execute remote commands on host diamond, enter:

```
emerald
amethyst gregory
+ peter
+@century
citrine +@engineers
```

This entry in diamond's **/etc/hosts.equiv** file grants trust to all of netgroup engineers users with an account on citrine.

6. To grant trust to all users with accounts on hosts in the servers netgroup that are users in the sysadmins netgroup, enter:

```
emerald
amethyst gregory
+ peter
+@century
citrine +@engineers
+@servers +@sysadmins
```

This entry in diamond's **/etc/hosts.equiv** file grants trust to any user in the sysadmins netgroup who is remotely executing commands from hosts that are in the servers netgroup.

7. To force an engineers netgroup user lydia who has an account on citrine to use a password while allowing all other engineers users not to, enter:

```
emerald
amethyst gregory
+ peter
+@century
citrine -lydia
citrine +@engineers
+@servers +@sysadmins
```

This entry in diamond's **/etc/hosts.equiv** file grants trust to all of netgroup engineers users, except for lydia, who must supply a password. The order of entries is very important. Recall that the system grants trust based on the first entry it encounters. If the order of the entries appeared as follows:

```
emerald
amethyst gregory
+ peter
+@century
citrine +@engineers
citrine -lydia
+@servers +@sysadmins
```

User lydia, as a member of engineers, would be allowed to execute remote commands on diamond even though a later entry explicitly denies her trust.

Files

Item	Description
<u>\$HOME/.rhosts</u>	Specifies remote users who can use a local-user account.

Related reference

[pam_rhosts_auth Module](#)

[netgroup File for NIS](#)

[hosts.lpd File Format for TCP/IP](#)

Related information

[lpd command](#)

[rcp command](#)

[TCP/IP name resolution](#)

hosts.lpd File Format for TCP/IP

Purpose

Specifies remote hosts that can print on the local host.

Description

The **/etc/hosts.lpd** file defines which remote systems are permitted to print on the local system. The remote systems listed in this file do not have the full privileges given to files listed in the **/etc/hosts.equiv** file.

Host-Name Field

The **hosts.lpd** file supports the following host-name entries:

```
+
HostName
-HostName
+@NetGroup
-@NetGroup
```

A + (plus sign) signifies that any host on the network can print using the local host. The HostName entry is the name of a remote host and signifies that HostName can print, using the local host. A -HostName entry signifies the host is not allowed to print using the local host. A +@NetGroup or -@NetGroup entry signifies all hosts in the netgroup or no hosts in the netgroup, respectively, are allowed to print using the local host.

The @NetGroup parameter is used by Network Information Service (NIS) for grouping. Refer to the NIS **netgroup** file for more information on netgroups.

Entries in this file can be made using the System Management Interface Tool (SMIT) or the **ruser** command.

Note: Comments must be entered on separate lines in the **hosts.lpd** file. Comments should not be entered on lines containing host names.

To implement **hosts.lpd** file changes without restarting the system, use the System Resource Controller (SRC) **refresh** command.

Examples

1. To allow remote specified hosts to print using a local host, enter:

```
hamlet
lear
```

```
prospero
setebos
```

These entries in the local host's **/etc/hosts.lpd** file allow hosts hamlet, lear, prospero, and setebos to print files, using the local host.

2. To prevent a remote host from printing using a local host, enter:

```
-hamlet
```

This entry in the local host's **/etc/hosts.lpd** file prevents host hamlet from printing files, using the local host.

3. To allow all hosts in an NIS netgroup to print using the local host, enter:

```
+@century
```

This entry in the local host's **/etc/hosts.lpd** file allows all hosts in the century netgroup to print files, using the local host. The @ (at sign) signifies the network is using NIS grouping.

Files

Item	Description
/etc/hosts.equiv	Specifies remote systems that can execute commands on the local system.

Related reference

[netgroup File for NIS](#)

[hosts.equiv File Format for TCP/IP](#)

Related information

[lpd command](#)

[ruser command](#)

[Managing and Using Remote Printers and Queues](#)

hty_config File Format

Purpose

Specifies the number of htys to configure on a Network Terminal Accelerator adapter.

Description

The **/etc/hty_config** file supplies the **hty_load** command with information to define ports for a specified device. The System Management Interface Tool (SMIT) writes to this file when **hty** devices are configured, specifying the device by supplying the adapter minor number for the device. Both the number of ports and the device are specified in a three-column table that can have multiple lines.

The **Cluster Address** column defines the cluster controller's network address. For the boards, the cluster address should be set to 1. Any other value may cause unpredictable results.

After you have configured the Network Terminal Accelerator adapter with SMIT, the **hty_config** file appears similar to the following:

Adapter minor # -----	Cluster address -----	Number of ports -----
0	1	256
1	1	700
2	1	85

In this example, the host has three adapters, the first of which is configured for 256 **hty** devices, the second for 700, and the third for 85.

Related information

[hty_load command](#)

inetd.conf File Format for TCP/IP

Purpose

Defines how the **inetd** daemon handles Internet service requests.

Description

The **/etc/inetd.conf** file is the default configuration file for the **inetd** daemon. This file enables you to specify the daemons to start by default and supply the arguments that correspond to the desired style of functioning for each daemon. This file is part of TCP/IP in Network Support Facilities.

If you change the **/etc/inetd.conf** file, run the **refresh -s inetd** or **kill -1 InetdPID** command to inform the **inetd** daemon of the changes to its configuration file. The **inetd.conf** file specifies which daemons start by default and supplies arguments determining the style of functioning for each daemon.

The following daemons are controlled by the **inetd** daemon:

- **comsat**
- **ftpd**
- **telnetd**
- **rshd**
- **rlogind**
- **rexecd**
- **fingerd**
- **tftpd**
- **talkd**
- **uucpd**

The **ftpd**, **rlogind**, **rexecd**, **rshd**, **talkd**, **telnetd**, and **uucpd** daemons are started by default. The **tftpd**, **fingerd**, and **comsat** daemons are not started by default unless they are uncommented in the **/etc/inetd.conf** file.

Service Requests

The following Internet service requests are supported internally by the **inetd** daemon and are generally used for debugging:

Item	Description
ECHO	Returns data packets to a client host.
DISCARD	Discards received data packets.
CHARGEN	Discards received data packets and sends predefined or random data.
DAYTIME	Sends the current date and time in user-readable form.
TIME	Sends the current date and time in machine-readable form.

The **inetd** daemon reads its configuration file only when the **inetd** daemon starts, when the **inetd** daemon receives a **SIGHUP** signal, or when the SRC **refresh -s inetd** command is entered. Each line in the **inetd** configuration file defines how to handle one Internet service request only.

Each line is of the form:

ServiceName SocketType ProtocolName Wait/NoWait UserName ServerPath ServerArgs

These fields must be separated by spaces or tabs and have the following meanings:

Item	Description
<i>ServiceName</i>	Contains the name of an Internet service defined in the <u>etc/services</u> file. For services provided internally by the inetd daemon, this name must be the official name of the service. That is, the name must be identical to the first entry on the line that describes the service in the /etc/services file.
<i>SocketType</i>	<p>Contains the name for the type of socket used for the service. Possible values for the <i>SocketType</i> parameter are:</p> <p>stream Specifies that a stream socket is used for the service.</p> <p>dgram Specifies that a datagram socket is used for the service</p> <p>sunrpc_tcp Specifies that a Sun remote procedure call (RPC) socket is used for the service, over a stream connection.</p> <p>sunrpc_udp Specifies that a Sun RPC socket is used for the service, over a datagram connection.</p>
<i>ProtocolName</i>	Contains the name of an Internet protocol defined in the <u>etc/protocols</u> file. For example, use the tcp value for a service that uses TCP/IP and the udp value for a service that uses the User Datagram Protocol (UDP).
<i>Wait/NoWait/SRC</i>	Contains either the wait , the nowait , or the SRC instruction for datagram sockets and the nowait instruction for stream sockets. The <i>Wait/NoWait/SRC</i> field determines whether the inetd daemon waits for a datagram server to release the socket before continuing to listen at the socket. The SRC instruction works like wait, but instead of forking and waiting for the child to die, it does a startsrc on the subsystem and stores information about the starting of the service. When the service is removed from the inetd.conf file and inetd is restarted, the service then has a stopsrc issued to the service to stop it. If DEBUG[=level] is specified after wait or nowait , the SO_DEBUG socket debugging flag will be turned on for this service. If <i>level</i> is specified, the trace level is set to the specified level; otherwise the level is set to normal . Valid values for <i>level</i> are min , normal , or detail .
<i>UserName</i>	Specifies the user name that the inetd daemon should use to start the server. This variable allows a server to be given less permission than the root user.
<i>ServerPath</i>	Specifies the full path name of the server that the inetd daemon should execute to provide the service. For services that the inetd daemon provides internally, this field should be internal.
<i>ServerArgs</i>	Specifies the command line arguments that the inetd daemon should use to execute the server. The maximum number of arguments is five. The first argument specifies the name of the server used. If the <i>SocketType</i> parameter is sunrpc_tcp or sunrpc_udp , the second argument specifies the program name and the third argument specifies the version of the program. For services that the inetd daemon provides internally, this field should be empty.

Examples

The following are example entries in the **/etc/inetd.conf** file for an **inetd** daemon that:

- Uses the **ftpd** daemon for servicing **ftp** requests
- Uses the **talkd** daemon for **ntalk** requests

- Uses the **telnetd** daemon for telnet requests, sets the **SO_DEBUG** flag for sockets used for this service, and sets the trace level for these sockets to normal.
- Provides time requests internally.

```
ftp;stream tcp nowait root /usr/sbin/ftpd ftpd
ntalk dgram udp wait root /usr/sbin/talkd talkd
telnet stream tcp6 nowait|DEBUG root /usr/sbin/telnetd telnetd -a
time stream tcp nowait root internal
time dgram udp wait root internal
```

Files

Item	Description
etc/services	Defines the sockets and protocols used for Internet services.
/etc/protocols	Defines the Internet protocols used on the local host.

Related reference

[protocols File Format for TCP/IP](#)

[services File Format for TCP/IP](#)

Related information

[kill command](#)

[Configuring the inetd daemon](#)

lastlog File Format

Purpose

Defines the last login attributes for users.

Description

The **/etc/security/lastlog** file is an ASCII file that contains stanzas with the last login attributes for users. Each stanza is identified by a user name and contains attributes in the *Attribute=Value* form. Each attribute is ended by a new-line character, and each stanza is ended by an additional new-line character.

Each stanza can have the following attributes:

Item	Description
time_last_login	Specifies the number of seconds since the epoch (00:00:00 GMT, January 1, 1970) since the last successful login. The value is a decimal integer.
tty_last_login	Specifies the terminal on which the user last logged in. The value is a character string.
host_last_login	Specifies the host from which the user last logged in. The value is a character string.

Item	Description
unsuccessful_login_count	Specifies the number of unsuccessful login attempts since the last successful login. The value is a decimal integer. This attribute works in conjunction with the user's <code>loginretries</code> attribute, specified in the /etc/security/user file, to lock the user's account after a specified number of consecutive unsuccessful login attempts. Once the user's account is locked, the user will not be able to log in until the system administrator resets the user's <code>unsuccessful_login_count</code> attribute to be less than the value of <code>loginretries</code> . To do this, enter the following: <pre>chsec -f /etc/security/lastlog -s username -a \ unsuccessful_login_count=0</pre>
time_last_unsuccessful_login	Specifies the number of seconds since the epoch (00:00:00 GMT, January 1, 1970) since the last unsuccessful login. The value is a decimal integer.
tty_last_unsuccessful_login	Specifies the terminal on which the last unsuccessful login attempt occurred. The value is a character string.
host_last_unsuccessful_login	Specifies the host from which the last unsuccessful login attempt occurred. The value is a character string.

All user database files should be accessed through the system commands and subroutines defined for this purpose. Access through other commands or subroutines may not be supported in future releases.

The **mkuser** command creates a user stanza in the **lastlog** file. The attributes of this user stanza are initially empty. The field values are set by the **login** command as a result of logging in to the system. The **lsuser** command displays the values of these attributes; the **rmuser** command removes the user stanza from this file, along with the user account.

Note: If the `/etc/nologin` file exists, any user, except root user, cannot login. Any other user login attempt is considered as unsuccessful, irrespective of correct or incorrect user login credentials, and this unsuccessful attempt is updated in `/etc/security/lastlog` file. The `/etc/nologin` file is deleted when the system is rebooted.

Security

Access Control: This command should grant read (r) access to the root user, members of the security group, and others consistent with the security policy for the system. Only the root user should have write (w) access.

Examples

A typical stanza is similar to the following example for user `bck`:

```
bck:
time_last_unsuccessful_login = 732475345
tty_last_unsuccessful_login = tty0
host_last_unsuccessful_login = waterski
unsuccessful_login_count = 0
time_last_login = 734718467
tty_last_login = lft/0
host_last_login = waterski
```

Files

Item	Description
<u>/etc/security/lastlog</u>	Specifies the path to the lastlog file.
<u>/etc/group</u>	Contains the basic attributes of groups.
<u>/etc/security/group</u>	Contains the extended attributes of groups.
<u>/etc/passwd</u>	Contains the basic attributes of users.
<u>/etc/security/passwd</u>	Contains password information.
<u>/etc/security/envIRON</u>	Contains the environment attributes of users.
<u>/etc/security/user</u>	Contains the extended attributes of users.
<u>/etc/security/limits</u>	Contains the process resource limits of users.

Related reference

[utmp, wtmp, failedlogin File Format](#)

Related information

[login command](#)

[rmuser command](#)

[getuserattr subroutine](#)

ldap.cfg File Format

Purpose

The **secldapclntd** LDAP client side daemon configuration file.

Description

The **/etc/security/ldap/ldap.cfg** file contains information for the **secldapclntd** daemon to start and function properly as well as information for fine tuning the daemon's performance. The **/etc/security/ldap/ldap.cfg** file is updated by the **mksecldap** command at client setup.

The **/etc/security/ldap/ldap.cfg** file may contain the following fields:

Item	Description
<i>ldapservers</i>	Specifies a comma separated list of Lightweight Directory Access Protocol (LDAP) Security Information Servers. These servers can either be the primary server or the replica of the primary server. The first server in the list has the highest priority.
<i>binddn</i>	Specifies the distinguished name (DN) LDAP used to bind to the LDAP Security Information Server(s).
<i>bindpwd</i>	Specifies the password for the <i>binddn</i> .

Item	Description
<i>authtype</i>	<p>Specifies the authentication mechanism to use. Valid values are unix_auth and ldap_auth. The default is unix_auth.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • unix_auth - Retrieves the user password from LDAP and authenticate the user locally. • ldap_auth - Binds to the LDAP server as the authenticating user in order to authenticate. <p>Note: Password will be sent in clear text to the LDAP server for ldap_auth authentication mechanism. Use of SSL is strongly encouraged.</p>
<i>useSSL</i>	<p>Specifies whether to use the SSL communication. Valid values are yes, SSL, TLS, NONE and no. The default value is no.</p> <p>Note: You will need the SSL key and the password to the key to enable this feature.</p>
<i>ldapsslkeyf</i>	Specifies the full path of the SSL or TLS key.
<i>ldapsslkeypwd</i>	<p>Specifies the password of the SSL or TLS key.</p> <p>Note: Comment out this line to use stashed password. The password stash file must reside in the same directory as the SSL, or TLS key, and must have the same name as the key file but with an extension of .sth instead of .kdb.</p>
<i>useKRB5</i>	<p>Specifies whether to use Kerberos for the initial bind to the server. Valid values are yes or no. The default is no.</p> <p>Note: The Kerberos principal, key path and kinit command directory are required to enable this feature. If Kerberos bind is enabled then the <i>binddn</i> and <i>bindpwd</i> are not required.</p>
<i>krbprincipal</i>	Specifies the Kerberos principal used to bind to the server.
<i>krbkeypath</i>	Specifies the path to the kerberos keytab. The default is /etc/security/ldap/krb5.keytab .
<i>krbcmddir</i>	Specifies the directory that contains the Kerberos kinit command. The default is /usr/krb5/bin/ .
<i>pwdalgorithm</i>	<p>Specifies the password encryption algorithm used for the unix_auth mode. The ldap_auth mode ignores this attribute. Valid value is either crypt or system. The default value is crypt.</p> <p>crypt Specifies the legacy crypt() (DES) algorithm.</p> <p>system Specifies to use the system-wide password algorithm configured in the /etc/security/login.cfg file. To use the system-wide password algorithm, the LDAP server's password encryption must be disabled to avoid double encryption. Double encryption can make the password unusable. Ensure that all clients of the LDAP server understand the algorithm that is used.</p>
<i>userattrmappath</i>	Specifies the full path to the AIX-LDAP attribute map for users.
<i>groupattrmappath</i>	Specifies the full path to the AIX-LDAP attribute map for groups.

Item	Description
<i>idattrmappath</i>	Specifies the full path to the AIX-LDAP attribute map for IDs. These IDs are used by the mkuser command when creating LDAP users.
<i>userbasedn</i>	Specifies the user base DN. For more information, see Detailed information .
<i>groupbasedn</i>	Specifies the group base DN. For more information, see Detailed information .
<i>idbasedn</i>	Specifies the ID base DN. For more information, see Detailed information .
<i>hostbasedn</i>	Specifies the host base DN. For more information, see Detailed information .
<i>servicebasedn</i>	Specifies the service base DN. For more information, see Detailed information .
<i>protocolbasedn</i>	Specifies the protocol base DN. For more information, see Detailed information .
<i>networkbasedn</i>	Specifies the network base DN. For more information, see Detailed information .
<i>netgroupbasedn</i>	Specifies the netgroup base DN. For more information, see Detailed information .
<i>rpcbasedn</i>	Specifies the RPC base DN. For more information, see Detailed information .
<i>aliasbasedn</i>	Specifies the alias base DN. For more information, see Detailed information .
<i>automountbasedn</i>	Specifies the automount base DN. For more information, see Detailed information .
<i>bootparambasedn</i>	Specifies the bootparams base DN. For more information, see Detailed information .
<i>etherbasedn</i>	Specifies the ether base DN. For more information, see Detailed information .
<i>authbasedn</i>	Specifies the authorizations base DN. For more information, see Detailed information .
<i>rolebasedn</i>	Specifies the roles base DN. For more information, see Detailed information .
<i>privcmdbasedn</i>	Specifies the privileged commands base DN. For more information, see Detailed information .
<i>privdevbasedn</i>	Specifies the privileged devices base DN. For more information, see Detailed information .
<i>privfilebasedn</i>	Specifies the privileged files base DN. For more information, see Detailed information .
<i>domainbasedn</i>	Specifies the domain base DN. For more information, see Detailed information .
<i>domobjbasedn</i>	Specifies the domain object base DN. For more information, see Detailed information .
<i>tsddatbasedn</i>	Specifies the file's Trusted Signature Database base DN. For more information, see Detailed information .

Item	Description
<i>tepoliciesbasedn</i>	Specifies the machine's trusted execution policies base DN. For more information, see Detailed information .
<i>userclasses</i>	Specifies a comma-separated list of object classes that are used for the user entry. For more information, see Detailed information .
<i>groupclasses</i>	Specifies a comma-separated list of object classes that are used for the group entry. For more information, see Detailed information .
<i>ldapversion</i>	Specifies the LDAP server protocol version. Default is 3.
<i>ldapport</i>	Specifies the port on which the LDAP server listens to. The default value is 389. Also, TLS use this port as default port.
<i>ldapsport</i>	Specifies the SSL port on which the LDAP server listens. The default value is 636.
<i>followalias</i>	Specifies whether to follow aliases. Valid values are NEVER, SEARCHING, FINDING, and ALWAYS. Default is NEVER.
<i>usercachesize</i>	Specifies the user cache size. Valid values are 100 - 65536 entries. The default value is 1000.
<i>groupcachesize</i>	Specifies the group cache size. Valid values are 10 - 65536 entries. The default value is 100.
<i>cachetimeout</i>	Specifies the cache TTL (time to live) for users and groups. Value must be >= 0 seconds. Default is 300. Set to 0 to disable caching. Note: The cachetimeout field is a deprecated attribute. Please use the <i>usercachetimeout</i> and <i>groupcachetimeout</i> attributes instead.
<i>usercachetimeout</i>	Specifies the cache TTL (time to live) for users. Value must be >= 0 seconds. Default is 300. Set to 0 to disable user caching. When specified, this value overrides the <i>cachetimeout</i> setting.
<i>groupcachetimeout</i>	Specifies the cache TTL (time to live) for groups. Value must be >= 0 seconds. Default is 300. Set to 0 to disable group caching. When specified, this value overrides the <i>cachetimeout</i> setting.
<i>ldapsizelimit</i>	Specifies the maximum entries to be requested to the ldap server in an ALL query. Default is 0 (no limit). If the <i>ldapsizelimit</i> is greater than the server size limit, the server size limits the number of entries returned. Setting the <i>ldapsizelimit</i> to a lower number increases the performance of some commands. For example, the lsuser -R LDAP ALL command.
<i>heartbeatinterval</i>	Specifies the interval in seconds that the client contacts the server for server status. Valid values are 5 - 3,600 seconds. Default is 300.
<i>numberofthread</i>	Specifies the number of threads for the secdapclntd daemon. Valid values are 1 - 256. Default is 10.
<i>nsorder</i>	Specifies the order of host name resolution by the secdapclntd daemon. The default order is dns, nis, local . For more information about valid resolvers, see TCP/IP Name Resolution . Note: Do not use nis_ldap , because it could result in the secdapclntd daemon hang.

Item	Description
<i>searchmode</i>	<p>Specifies the set of user and group attributes to be retrieved. This attribute is intended for use for performance reasons. The AIX commands may not be enabled to support all non-OS attributes. Valid values are ALL and OS. The default is ALL.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ALL - Retrieve all attributes of an entry. • OS - Retrieve only the operating system required attributes of an entry. Non-OS attributes like telephone number, binary images etc. will not be returned. <p>Note: Only use OS when entries have many non-OS required attributes or attributes with large value, e.g. binary data, to reduce sorting effort by the LDAP server.</p>
<i>defaultentrylocation</i>	<p>Specifies the location of the default entry. Valid values are ldap and local. The default is ldap.</p> <p>ldap - Use the default entry in LDAP for all attribute default values.</p> <p>local - Use the default stanza from local /etc/security/user file for all attribute default values.</p>
<i>ldaptimeout</i>	<p>Specifies the timeout period in seconds for LDAP client requests to the server. This value determines how long the client will wait for a response from the LDAP server. Valid range is 0 - 3600 (1 hour). Default is 60 seconds. Set this value to 0 to disable the timeout.</p>
<i>connectionsperserver</i>	<p>Specifies the maximum number of connections to the LDAP server. If the specified value is greater than the value in the <i>numberofthread</i> field, the <i>secldapclntd</i> field uses the value of the <i>numberofthread</i> field instead. The secldapclntd daemon starts with one connection and dynamically adds new connections at high LDAP request demand into the <i>connectionsperserver</i> field, and closes the idle connections at low demand. The valid value of this field ranges from 1 through 100. The default value is 10.</p>
<i>connectionmissratio</i>	<p>Specifies the percentage of LDAP operations that can miss an LDAP handle in the first attempt (handle-miss). If the number of missed attempts reaches this value, the <i>secldapclntd</i> daemon adds a new connection. The total number of connections do not exceed the value of the <i>connectionsperserver</i> field. The valid value of this field ranges from 10 through 90. The default value is 50.</p>
<i>newconnT</i>	<p>Specifies the interval to check for connection-miss-ratio (<i>connectionmissratio</i>) to determine if a new connection needs to be created.</p>
<i>connectiontimeout</i>	<p>Specifies time in seconds that an LDAP connection to the server can be idle before the secldapclntd daemon closes it. The valid value is 5 seconds or greater. The default value is 300.</p>
<i>serverschematype</i>	<p>Specifies the schema type of the LDAP server. It is set by the mksecldap command at LDAP client configuration time. Do not modify this attribute. Valid values are: rfc2307aix, rfc2307, aix, sfu30, and sfur2.</p>
<i>enableutf8_xlation</i>	<p>Enables the saving of data to the LDAP server in UTF-8 format. Valid values are yes and no. The default value is no.</p>

Item	Description
<i>rbacinterval</i>	Specifies the time interval (in seconds) for the secldapclntd daemon to invoke the setkst command to update the kernel RBAC tables. The value must be greater than 60 seconds. Set the value to 0 to disable the setkst command. The default value is 3600 .
<i>useprivport</i>	Specifies whether to use local privileged ports to connect to LDAP servers. The valid values are yes and no. The default value is no. The <i>useprivport</i> attribute is for backward compatibility only.
<i>memberfulldn</i>	Specifies whether to use DN or account name for group members. The valid values are yes and no . The default value is no . In most cases when you use account names, do not change the value of the <i>memberfulldn</i> attribute. If you want group members in DN format, set the value to yes . For backward compatibility, if the LDAP server is Active Directory, the group member attribute is mapped to the msSFU30PosixMember member. The secldapclntd daemon always uses DN format regardless of this setting.
<i>pwdpolicydn</i>	Specifies the DN of the LDAP server global password policies. The secldapclntd daemon uses this policy entry to inform the user what is wrong in case of a noncompliant password. If you have specified password policies, these policies are used instead of the global policies.
<i>usrkeystorebasedn</i>	Specifies the User's EFS PKCS#12 keystore base DN. For more information, see Detailed information .
<i>grpkeystorebasedn</i>	Specifies the Groups's EFS PKCS#12 keystore base DN. For more information, see Detailed information .
<i>efscookiesbasedn</i>	Specifies the EFS Cookie base DN. For more information, see Detailed information .
<i>admkeystorebasedn</i>	Specifies the EFS Admin's PKCS#12 keystore base DN. For more information, see Detailed information .
<i>followreferrals</i>	Specifies if the AIX LDAP client should chase the referrals received from the LDAP server. The valid values are on and off , default is on meaning chase the referrals.
<i>caseExactAccountName</i>	<p>Specifies whether to match account names as case-sensitive or case-insensitive. Most LDAP servers treat account names as case-insensitive. Therefore, account names like foo, Foo, FOo, and FOO are treated as the same user, and these servers allow only one of them defined in LDAP. The valid values are:</p> <p>No</p> <p>Specifies to return account name which matches the requested name as case-insensitive. For example, querying user foo may return any of foo, Foo, FOo, and FOO. This is the default value.</p> <p>Yes</p> <p>Specifies to return account name which matches the requested name as case-sensitive. For example, querying user foo will fail if one of the names Foo, FOo, or FOO exists in LDAP instead of foo.</p>

Item	Description
<i>auditpolicy</i>	<p>Specifies the action that needs to be taken if there is any change in audit configuration on LDAP. It is effective only when an attribute <i>auditrefreshed</i> is set. It takes following two values:</p> <p>WARN Logs in message in the syslog file on LDAP client, whenever there is a change in audit configuration on LDAP so that administrator starts auditing on the LDAP client.</p> <p>RESTART Automatically starts the auditing on the LDAP client, whenever there is a change in audit configuration on LDAP.</p>
<i>auditrefreshed</i>	<p>Specifies the time interval (in seconds) or time in 24 hour format for the secldapclntd daemon to take action according to the <i>auditpolicy</i> attribute. If the <i>auditpolicy</i> attribute is not set then this attribute is disabled. The time interval mentioned in seconds. The value must be greater than 60 seconds. Set the value to 0 to disable it. The default value is 3600. If the time is mentioned in 24 hr format then it should start with letter T.</p>
<i>DisplayNetgroupUserInfo</i>	<p>Specifies whether non-privileged users can or cannot run <code>lsldap -a passwd</code> command to display users that belong to a Netgroup enabled LDAP module. Specify yes, the default value to display users from Netgroup enabled LDAP module. Specify no if you do not want to display users from Netgroup enabled LDAP module. This option does not affect root users or users who have the <code>aix.security.ldap</code> authorization.</p>

Detailed information

- Multiple base DN's

All of the base DN attributes accept multiple values, with each *<basedn>: <value>* pair on a separate line. For example, to allow users in the `ou=dept1users,cn=aixdata` base DN's and the `ou=dept2users,cn=aixdata` base DN's to log in to the system, you can specify the **userbasedn** attribute as follows:

```
userbasedn: ou=dept1users,cn=aixdata
userbasedn: ou=dept2users,cn=aixdata
```

You can specify up to 10 base DN's for each entity in the `/etc/security/ldap/ldap.cfg` file. The base DN's are prioritized in the order they appear in the `/etc/security/ldap/ldap.cfg` file. The following list describes the system behaviors in regards to multiple base DN's:

- Query operations, such as the **lsuser** command, are done according to the base DN order that is specified until a matching account is found. A failure is returned only if all of the base DN's are searched without finding a match.
- Modification operations, such as the **chuser** command, are done to the first matching account.
- Deletion operations, such as the **rmuser** command, are done to the first matching account.
- Creation operations, such as the **mkuser** command, are done only to the first base DN.

- Domain RBAC base DN's

```
#domainbasedn:ou=domains,cn=aixdata
#domobjbasedn:ou=domobjs,cn=aixdata
```

The time interval in minutes specifies the frequency in which the kernel RBAC and the domain RBAC tables are updated. A value of 0 disables the automatic update.

```
rbacinterval: 0
```

- Extended base DN format

You can specify optional parameters of search scope and search filter for base DN attributes. You can append the parameters to the base DN with fields separated by question mark (?) characters. The following list shows the valid base DN formats:

- This format represents the default format that the **secdapclntd** daemon uses:

```
userbasedn: ou=people, cn=aixdata
```

- This format limits the search by a scope attribute:

```
userbasedn: ou=people, cn=aixdata?scope
```

The scope attribute accepts the following values:

- **sub**
- **one**
- **base**

If you do not specify the scope attribute, the default value is **sub**.

- This format limits the search by a filter attribute.

```
userbasedn: ou=people, cn=aixdata??filter
```

The filter attribute limits the entries that are defined in the LDAP server. You can use this filter to make only users with certain properties visible to the system. The following list shows some valid filter formats, where *attribute* is the name of an LDAP attribute, and *value* specifies the search criteria, which can be a wild card (*).

- (attribute=value)
- (&(attribute=value)(attribute=value))
- (|(attribute=value)(attribute=value))
- This format uses both a scope attribute and a filter attribute.

```
userbasedn: ou=people, cn=aixdata?scope?filter
```

- Object classes

The first object class in the list is the key object class, which can be used for search operations. By default, the **keyobjectclass** attribute in the attribute mapping file is used for this purpose. But if the mapping file does not exist, or the **keyobjectclass** attribute is not present in the mapping file, the first object class in this list is used.

Related reference

[LDAP Attribute Mapping File Format](#)

Related information

[mksecdap command](#)

[secdapclntd command](#)

[lsldap Command](#)

LDAP Attribute Mapping File Format

Purpose

Defines AIX to LDAP attribute name mapping to support configurable LDAP server schema.

Description

These map files are used by the `/usr/lib/security/LDAP` module and the `secldapclntd` daemon for translation between AIX attribute names to LDAP attribute names. Each entry in a mapping file represents a translation for an attribute. A entry has five space separated fields:

```
AIX_Attribute_Name AIX_Attribute_Type LDAP_Attribute_Name LDAP_Value_Type LDAP_Value_Unit
```

Item	Description
AIX_Attribute_Name	Specifies the AIX attribute name.
AIX_Attribute_Type	Specifies the AIX attribute type. Values are SEC_CHAR, SEC_INT, SEC_LIST, and SEC_BOOL.
LDAP_Attribute_Name	Specifies the LDAP attribute name.
LDAP_Value_Type	Specifies the LDAP value type. Values are s for single value and m for multi-value.
LDAP_Value_Unit	<p>Specifies the LDAP value unit for some attributes. The following values are available for the maxage, minage, maxexpires, and the pwdwarntime attributes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• seconds• minutes• hours• days• weeks• months• years <p>The following values are available for the cpu, cpu_hard, fsize, fsize_hard, rss, rss_hard, stack, and the stack_hard attributes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• bytes• 512-byte blocks• kilobytes• megabytes• gigabytes <p>The following values are available for the lastupdate attribute:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Coordinated Universal Time (UTC) recorded in 100 nanoseconds, since January 1, 1601. <p>Note: The attributes of Microsoft Active Directory Server, such as <code>pwdLastSet</code>, store values only in the UTC unit, that is, these attribute values of the Microsoft Active Directory Server do not support any other units.</p> <p>For all of the other attributes, the value is N/A. If no unit mapping is required, the values are also N/A.</p>
TO_BE_CACHED	Specifies whether this attribute is to be cached. Valid values are yes and no . Default is yes .

Files

AIX includes the following sets of attribute mapping files in the `/etc/security/ldap` directory:

The following attribute mappings are defined for AIX specific schema:

Item	Description
aixuser.map	Specifies the mapping for the <code>aixAccount</code> object class.
aixgroup.map	Specifies the mapping for the <code>aixAccessGroup</code> object class.
aixid.map	Specifies the mapping for the <code>aixAdmin</code> object class.

The following attribute mappings are defined for `nisSchema` (RFC 2307):

Item	Description
2307user.map	Specifies the mapping for the <code>posixAccount</code> object class.
2307group.map	Specifies the mapping for the <code>posixGroup</code> object class.

The following attribute mappings are defined for `nisSchema` with AIX extensions:

Item	Description
2307aixuser.map	Specifies the mapping for the posixAccount object class and the aixAuxAccount object class.
2307aixgroup.map	Specifies the mapping for the posixGroup object class and the aixAuxGroup object class.

The following attribute mappings are defined for Active Directory with service for UNIX:

Item	Description
sfu30user.map	Specifies the mapping for the user object class.
sfu30group.map	Specifies the mapping for the group object class.

The following attribute mappings are defined for Active Directory with Windows 2003 R2 schema:

Item	Description
sfur2user.map	Specifies the mapping for the user object class.
sfur2group.map	Specifies the mapping for the group object class.

The **mksecldap** command, at LDAP client configuration, will automatically figure out the server type and select the corresponding mapping files to use. If an LDAP server uses schema that is not included in these mapping files under the **/etc/security/ldap** directory, you must configure the LDAP client manually by creating your own mapping sets and edit the **/etc/security/ldap.cfg** file to use your mapping files.

The user and group maps might contain an entry that is used to designate the required object class that each user or group must have. This object class will be used in the filter for searches performed on user or group entries. As an example, listed below are the default entries for the keyobjectclass in the **aix2307user.map** and **aix2307group.map** files.

```
aix2307user.map:
    keyobjectclass SEC_CHAR      posixgroup      s na yes
aix2307group.map:
    keyobjectclass SEC_CHAR      posixaccount    s na yes
```

The **aixid.map** contains attribute mappings for user and group IDs. The IDs are used when one creates a new LDAP user/group with the **mkuser** or **mkgroup** command.

Related reference

[ldap.cfg File Format](#)

Related information

[mksecldap command](#)

[flush-secldapclntd command](#)

[Lightweight Directory Access Protocol](#)

Locale Definition Source File Format

Purpose

Contains one or more categories that describe a locale.

Description

A locale definition source file contains one or more categories that describe a locale. Files using this format can be converted into a locale by using the **localedef** command. Locales can be modified only by editing a locale definition source file and then using the **localedef** command again on the new source file. Locales are not affected by a locale definition source file unless the file is first converted using the **localedef** command.

The locale definition source file sections define categories of locale data. A source file should not contain more than one section for the same category. The following categories are supported:

Item	Description
<u>LC_COLLATE</u>	Defines character or string collation information.
<u>LC_CTYPE</u>	Defines character classification, case conversion, and other character attributes.
<u>LC_MESSAGES</u>	Defines the format for affirmative and negative responses.
<u>LC_MONETARY</u>	Defines rules and symbols for formatting monetary numeric information.
<u>LC_NUMERIC</u>	Defines a list of rules and symbols for formatting non-monetary numeric information.
<u>LC_TIME</u>	Defines a list of rules and symbols for formatting time and date information.

The category definition consists of:

- The category header (category name)
- The associated keyword/value pairs that comprise the category body
- The category trailer (which consists of `END category-name`)

For example:

LC_CTYPE *source for LC_CTYPE category* **END LC_CTYPE**

The source for all of the categories is specified using keywords, strings, character literals, and character symbols. Each keyword identifies either a definition or a rule. The remainder of the statement containing the keyword contains the operands to the keyword. Operands are separated from the keyword by one or more blank characters. A statement may be continued on the next line by placing a / (slash) as the last character before the new-line character that terminates the line. Lines containing the `comment_char` entry in the first column are treated as comment lines. The default is `#` (pound sign).

The first category header in the file can be preceded by a line that changes the comment character. It has the following format, starting in column 1:

```
comment_char character
```

where `character` is the new comment character.

Blank lines and lines containing the comment character in the first position are ignored.

A character symbol begins with the `<` (less-than) character, followed by up to 30 non-control, non-space characters, and ends with the `>` (greater-than) character. For example, `<A-diaeresis>` is a valid character symbol. Any character symbol referenced in the source file should either be one of the [portable character set symbols](#) or should be defined in the provided [character set description \(charmap\) source file](#).

A character literal is the character itself, or else a decimal, hexadecimal, or octal constant. A decimal constant is of the form:

```
\dxxx
```

where `x` is a decimal digit. A hexadecimal constant is of the form:

```
\xdddd
```

where `d` is a hexadecimal digit. An octal constant is of the form:

```
\ddd
```

where d is an octal digit.

A string is a sequence of character symbols, or literals enclosed by " " (double-quotation marks). For example:

```
"<A-diaeresis> \d65\d120 <B>"
```

The explicit definition of each category in a locale definition source file is not required. When a category is undefined in a locale definition source file, it defaults to the C locale definition.

The first category header in the file can be preceded by a line that changes the escape character used in the file. It has the following format, starting in column 1:

```
escape_char character
```

where character is the new escape character.
The escape character defaults to the \ (backslash).

Files

Item	Description
/usr/lib/nls/loc/*	Specifies locale definition source files for supported locales.
/usr/lib/nls/charmap/*	Specifies character set description (charmap) source files for supported locales.

Related reference

- [Character Set Description \(charmap\) Source File Format](#)
- [Locale Method Source File Format](#)
- [LC_COLLATE Category for the Locale Definition Source File Format](#)
- [LC_CTYPE Category for the Locale Definition Source File Format](#)
- [LC_MESSAGES Category for the Locale Definition Source File Format](#)
- [LC_MONETARY Category for the Locale Definition Source File Format](#)

Related information

- [locale command](#)
- [Changing Your Locale](#)

LC_COLLATE Category for the Locale Definition Source File Format

Purpose

Defines character or string collation information.

Description

A collation element is the unit of comparison for collation. A collation element may be a character or a sequence of characters. Every collation element in the locale has a set of weights, which determine if the collation element collates before, equal to, or after the other collation elements in the locale. Each collation element is assigned collation weights by the **localedef** command when the locale definition source file is converted. These collation weights are then used by applications programs that compare strings.

Comparison of strings is performed by comparing the collation weights of each character in the string until either a difference is found or the strings are determined to be equal. This comparison may be performed several times if the locale defines multiple collation orders. For example, in the French locale, the strings are compared using a primary set of collation weights. If they are equal on the basis of this comparison,

they are compared again using a secondary set of collation weights. A collating element has a set of collation weights associated with it that is equal to the number of collation orders defined for the locale.

Every character defined in the **charmap** file (or every character in the portable character set if no **charmap** file is specified) is itself a collating element. Additional collating elements can be defined using the **collating-element** statement. The syntax is:

collating-element *character-symbol* **from** *string*

The **LC_COLLATE** category begins with the **LC_COLLATE** keyword and ends with the **END LC_COLLATE** keyword.

The following keywords are recognized in the **LC_COLLATE** category:

Item	Description
copy	The copy statement specifies the name of an existing locale to be used as the definition of this category. If a copy statement is included in the file, no other keyword can be specified.
collating-element	The collating-element statement specifies multicharacter collating elements.

The syntax for the **collating-element** statement is:

collating-element *<collating-symbol>* **from** *<string>*

The *collating-symbol* value defines a collating element that is a string of one or more characters as a single collating element. The *collating-symbol* value cannot duplicate any symbolic name in the current **charmap** file, or any other symbolic name defined in this collation definition. The *string* value specifies a string of two or more characters that define the *collating-symbol* value. Following are examples of the syntax for the **collating-element** statement:

collating-element *<ch>* **from** *<c><h>* **collating-element** *<e-acute>* **from** *<acute><e>* **collating-element** *<11>* **from** *<1><1>*

A *collating-symbol* value defined by the **collating-element** statement is recognized only with the **LC_COLLATE** category.

Item	Description
collating-symbol	The collating-symbol statement specifies collation symbols for use in collation sequence statements.

The syntax for the **collating-symbol** statement is:

collating-symbol *<collating-symbol>*

The *collating-symbol* value cannot duplicate any symbolic name in the current **charmap** file, or any other symbolic name defined in this collation definition. Following are examples of the syntax for the **collating-symbol** statement:

collating-symbol *<UPPER_CASE>* **collating-symbol** *<HIGH>*

A *collating-symbol* value defined by the **collating-symbol** statement is recognized only within the **LC_COLLATE** category.

Item	Description
order_start	The order_start statement must be followed by one or more collation order statements, assigning collation weights to collating elements. This statement is mandatory.

The syntax for the **order_start** statement is:

order_start *<sort-rules>*, *<sort-rules>*,...*<sort-rules>* *collation order statements* **order_end**

The `<sort-rules>` directives have the following syntax:

keyword, keyword,...keyword; keyword, keyword,...keyword

where *keyword* is one of the keywords **forward**, **backward**, and **position**.

The *sort-rules* directives are optional. If present, they define the rules to apply during string comparison. The number of specified *sort-rules* directives defines the number of weights each collating element is assigned (that is, the number of collation orders in the locale). If no *sort-rules* directives are present, one **forward** keyword is assumed and comparisons are made on a character basis rather than a string basis. If present, the first *sort-rules* directive applies when comparing strings using primary weight, the second when comparing strings using the secondary weight, and so on. Each set of *sort-rules* directives is separated by a ; (semicolon). A *sort-rules* directive consists of one or more comma-separated keywords. The following keywords are supported:

Item	Description
forward	Specifies that collation weight comparisons proceed from the beginning of a string toward the end of the string.
backward	Specifies that collation weight comparisons proceed from the end of a string toward the beginning of the string.
position	Specifies that collation weight comparisons consider the relative position of elements in the string not subject to the special symbol IGNORE . That is, if strings compare equal, the element with the shortest distance from the starting point of the string collates first.

The **forward** and **backward** keywords are mutually exclusive. Following is an example of the syntax for the `<sort-rules>` directives:

order_start *forward; backward, position*

The optional operands for each collation element are used to define the primary, secondary, or subsequent weights for the collating element. The special symbol **IGNORE** is used to indicate a collating element that is to be ignored when strings are compared.

A collation statement with the **ellipsis** keyword on the left-hand side results in the *collating-element-list* on the right-hand side being applied to every character with an encoding that falls numerically between the character on the left-hand side in the preceding statement and the character on the left-hand side of the following statement. If the **ellipsis** occur in the first statement, it is interpreted as though the preceding line specified the **NUL** character. (The **NUL** character is a character with all bits set to 0.) If the **ellipsis** occur in the last statement, it is interpreted as though the following line specified the greatest encoded value.

An **ellipsis** keyword appearing in place of a *collating-element-list* indicates the weights are to be assigned, for the characters in the identified range, in numerically increasing order from the weight for the character symbol on the left-hand side of the preceding statement.

Note: The use of the **ellipsis** keyword results in a locale that may collate differently when compiled with different character set description (**charmap**) source files. For this reason, the **localedef** command issues a warning when the **ellipsis** keyword is encountered.

All characters in the character set must be placed in the collation order, either explicitly or implicitly by using the **UNDEFINED** special symbol. The **UNDEFINED** special symbol includes all coded character set values not specified explicitly or with an ellipsis symbol. These characters are inserted in the character collation order at the point indicated by the **UNDEFINED** special symbol in the order of their character code set values. If no **UNDEFINED** special symbol exists and the collation order does not specify all collation elements from the coded character set, a warning is issued and all undefined characters are placed at the end of the character collation order.

Examples

The following is an example of a collation order statement in the **LC_COLLATE** locale definition source file category:

```

order_start      forward;backward
UNDEFINED        IGNORE;IGNORE
<LOW>            <LOW>;<space>
...              <LOW>;...
<a>              <a>;<a>
<a-acute>        <a>;<a-acute>
<a-grave>        <a>;<a-grave>
<A>              <a>;<A>
<A-acute>        <a>;<A-acute>
<A-grave>        <a>;<A-grave>
<ch>             <ch>;<ch>
<Ch>             <ch>;<Ch>
<s>              <s>;<s>
<ss>            <s><s>;<s><s>
<eszet> <s><s>;<eszet><eszet>
...              <HIGH>;...
<HIGH>
order_end

```

This example is interpreted as follows:

- The **UNDEFINED** special symbol indicates that all characters not specified in the definition (either explicitly or by the ellipsis symbol) are ignored for collation purposes.
- All collating elements between <space> and <a> have the same primary equivalence class and individual secondary weights based on their coded character set values.
- All characters based on the uppercase or lowercase a character belong to the same primary equivalence class.
- The <c><h> multicharacter collating element is represented by the <ch> collating symbol and belongs to the same primary equivalence class as the <C><H> multicharacter collating element.
- The <eszet> character is collated as an <s><s> string. That is, one <eszet> character is expanded to two characters before comparing.

Files

Item	Description
<code>/usr/lib/nls/loc/*</code>	Specifies locale definition source files for supported locales.
<code>/usr/lib/nls/charmap/*</code>	Specifies character set description (charmap) source files for supported locales.

Related reference

[Locale Definition Source File Format](#)

Related information

[ed command](#)

[locale command](#)

[Changing Your Locale](#)

LC_CTYPE Category for the Locale Definition Source File Format

Purpose

Defines character classification, case conversion, and other character attributes.

Description

The **LC_CTYPE** category of a locale definition source file defines character classification, case conversion, and other character attributes. This category begins with an **LC_CTYPE** category header and terminates with an **END LC_CTYPE** category trailer.

All operands for **LC_CTYPE** category statements are defined as lists of characters. Each list consists of one or more semicolon-separated characters or symbolic character names.

The following keywords are recognized in the **LC_CTYPE** category. In the descriptions, the term *automatically included* means that an error does not occur if the referenced characters are included or omitted. The characters will be provided if they are missing and will be accepted if they are present.

Item	Description
copy	Specifies the name of an existing locale to be used as the definition of this category. If a copy statement is included in the file, no other keyword can be specified.
upper	Defines uppercase letter characters. No character defined by the cntrl , digit , punct , or space keyword can be specified. At a minimum, the uppercase letters A-Z must be defined.
lower	Defines lowercase letter characters. No character defined by the cntrl , digit , punct , or space keyword can be specified. At a minimum, the lowercase letters a-z must be defined.
alpha	Defines all letter characters. No character defined by the cntrl , digit , punct , or space keyword can be specified. Characters defined by the upper and lower keywords are automatically included in this character class.
digit	Defines numeric digit characters. Only the digits 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9 can be specified.
alnum	Defines alphanumeric characters. No character defined by the cntrl , punct , or space keyword can be specified. Characters defined by the alpha and digit keywords are automatically included in this character class.
space	Defines whitespace characters. No character defined by the upper , lower , alpha , digit , graph , cntrl , or xdigit keyword can be specified. At a minimum, the <space>, <form-feed>, <newline>, <carriage return>, <tab>, and <vertical-tab> characters, and any characters defined by the blank keyword, must be specified.
cntrl	Defines control characters. No character defined by the upper , lower , alpha , digit , punct , graph , print , xdigit , or space keyword can be specified.
punct	Defines punctuation characters. A character defined as the <space> character and characters defined by the upper , lower , alpha , digit , cntrl , or xdigit keyword cannot be specified.
graph	Defines printable characters, excluding the <space> character. If this keyword is not specified, characters defined by the upper , lower , alpha , digit , xdigit , and punct keywords are automatically included in this character class. No character defined by the cntrl keyword can be specified.
print	Defines printable characters, including the <space> character. If this keyword is not specified, the <space> character and characters defined by the upper , lower , alpha , digit , xdigit , and punct keywords are automatically included in this character class. No character defined by the cntrl keyword can be specified.
xdigit	Defines hexadecimal digit characters. The digits 0-9 and the letters A-F and a-f can be specified. The xdigit keyword defaults to its normal class limits.
blank	Defines blank characters. If this keyword is not specified, the <space> and <horizontal-tab> characters are included in this character class. Any characters defined by this statement are automatically included in the space keyword class.

Item	Description
charclass	Defines one or more locale-specific character class names as strings separated by semicolons. Each named character class can then be defined subsequently in the LC_CTYPE definition. A character class name consists of at least one, and at most 32 bytes, of alphanumeric characters from the portable character set symbols . The first character of a character class name cannot be a digit. The name cannot match any of the LC_CTYPE keywords defined in this section.
<i>charclass-name</i>	<p>Defines characters to be classified as belonging to the named locale-specific character class. Locale-specific named character classes need not exist in the POSIX locale.</p> <p>If a class name is defined by a charclass keyword, but no characters are subsequently assigned to it, it represents a class without any characters belonging to it.</p> <p>The <i>charclass-name</i> can be used as the <i>Property</i> parameter in the wctype subroutine, in regular expressions and shell pattern-matching expressions, and by the tr command.</p>
toupper	<p>Defines the mapping of lowercase characters to uppercase characters. Operands for this keyword consist of semicolon-separated character pairs. Each character pair is enclosed in () (parentheses) and separated from the next pair by a , (comma). The first character in each pair is considered lowercase; the second character is considered uppercase. Only characters defined by the lower and upper keywords can be specified.</p>
tolower	<p>Defines the mapping of uppercase characters to lowercase characters. Operands for this keyword consist of semicolon-separated character pairs. Each character pair is enclosed in () (parentheses) and separated from the next pair by a , (comma). The first character in each pair is considered uppercase; the second character is considered lowercase. Only characters defined by the lower and upper keywords can be specified.</p>

The **tolower** keyword is optional. If this keyword is not specified, the mapping defaults to the reverse mapping of the **toupper** keyword, if specified. If the **toupper** and **tolower** keywords are both unspecified, the mapping for each defaults to that of the **C** locale.

The **LC_CTYPE** category does not support multicharacter elements. For example, the German sharp-s character is traditionally classified as a lowercase letter. There is no corresponding uppercase letter; in proper capitalization of German text, the sharp-s character is replaced by the two characters ss. This kind of conversion is outside of the scope of the **toupper** and **tolower** keywords.

Examples

The following is an example of a possible **LC_CTYPE** category listed in a locale definition source file:

```
LC_CTYPE
#"alpha" is by default "upper" and "lower"
#"alnum" is by default "alpha" and "digit"
#"print" is by default "alnum", "punct" and the space character
#"graph" is by default "alnum" and "punct"
#"tolower" is by default the reverse mapping of "toupper"
#
upper      <A>;<B>;<C>;<D>;<E>;<F>;<G>;<H>;<I>;<J>;<K>;<L>;<M>;\
           <N>;<O>;<P>;<Q>;<R>;<S>;<T>;<U>;<V>;<W>;<X>;<Y>;<Z>
#
lower      <a>;<b>;<c>;<d>;<e>;<f>;<g>;<h>;<i>;<j>;<k>;<l>;<m>;\
           <n>;<o>;<p>;<q>;<r>;<s>;<t>;<u>;<v>;<w>;<x>;<y>;<z>
#
digit      <zero>;<one>;<two>;<three>;<four>;<five>;<six>;\
           <seven>;<eight>;<nine>
#
space      <tab>;<newline>;<vertical-tab>;<form-feed>;\
           <carriage-return>;<space>
```

```
#
cntrl      <alert>;<backspace>;<tab>;<newline>;<vertical-tab>;/
           <form-feed>;<carriage-return>;<NUL>;<SOH>;<STX>;/
           <ETX>;<EOT>;<ENQ>;<ACK>;<SO>;<SI>;<DLE>;<DC1>;<DC2>;/
           <DC3>;<DC4>;<NAK>;<SYN>;<ETB>;<CAN>;<EM>;<SUB>;/
           <ESC>;<IS4>;<IS3>;<IS2>;<IS1>;<DEL>

#
punct      <exclamation-mark>;<quotation-mark>;<number-sign>;\
           <dollar-sign>;<percent-sign>;<ampersand>;<asterisk>;\
           <apostrophe>;<left-parenthesis>;<right-parenthesis>;\
           <plus-sign>;<comma>;<hyphen>;<period>;<slash>;/
           <colon>;<semicolon>;<less-than-sign>;<equals-sign>;\
           <greater-than-sign>;<question-mark>;<commercial-at>;\
           <left-square-bracket>;<backslash>;<circumflex>;\
           <right-square-bracket>;<underline>;<grave-accent>;\
           <left-curly-bracket>;<vertical-line>;<tilde>;\
           <right-curly-bracket>

#
xdigit     <zero>;<one>;<two>;<three>;<four>;<five>;<six>;\
           <seven>;<eight>;<nine>;<A>;<B>;<C>;<D>;<E>;<F>;\
           <a>;<b>;<c>;<d>;<e>;<f>

#
blank      <space>;<tab>
#
toupper    (<a>,<A>);(<b>,<B>);(<c>,<C>);(<d>,<D>);(<e>,<E>);\
           (<f>,<F>);(<g>,<G>);(<h>,<H>);(<i>,<I>);(<j>,<J>);\
           (<k>,<K>);(<l>,<L>);(<m>,<M>);(<n>,<N>);(<o>,<O>);\
           (<p>,<P>);(<q>,<Q>);(<r>,<R>);(<s>,<S>);(<t>,<T>);\
           (<u>,<U>);(<v>,<V>);(<w>,<W>);(<x>,<X>);(<y>,<Y>);\
           (<z>,<Z>)

#
END LC_CTYPE
```

Files

Item	Description
<u>/usr/lib/nls/loc/*</u>	Specifies locale definition source files for supported locales.
<u>/usr/lib/nls/charmap/*</u>	Specifies character set description (charmap) source files for supported locales.

Related reference

[Locale Definition Source File Format](#)

Related information

[locale command](#)

[wctype subroutine](#)

LC_MESSAGES Category for the Locale Definition Source File Format

Purpose

Defines the format for affirmative and negative system responses.

Description

The **LC_MESSAGES** category of a locale definition source file defines the format for affirmative and negative system responses. This category begins with an **LC_MESSAGES** category header and terminates with an **END LC_MESSAGES** category trailer.

All operands for the **LC_MESSAGES** category are defined as strings or extended regular expressions enclosed by " " (double-quotation marks). These operands are separated from the keyword they define by one or more blanks. Two adjacent " " (double-quotation marks) indicate an undefined value. The following keywords are recognized in the **LC_MESSAGES** category:

Item	Description
copy	Specifies the name of an existing locale to be used as the definition of this category. If a copy statement is included in the file, no other keyword can be specified.
yesexpr	Specifies an extended regular expression that describes the acceptable affirmative response to a question expecting an affirmative or negative response.
noexpr	Specifies an extended regular expression that describes the acceptable negative response to a question expecting an affirmative or negative response.
yesstr	A colon-separated string of acceptable affirmative responses. This string is accessible to applications through the nl_langinfo subroutine as nl_langinfo (YESSTR) .
nostr	A colon-separated string of acceptable negative responses. This string is accessible to applications through the nl_langinfo subroutine as nl_langinfo (NOSTR) .

Examples

The following is an example of a possible **LC_MESSAGES** category listed in a locale definition source file:

```
LC_MESSAGES
#
yesexpr "([yY][[:alpha:]]*)|(OK)"
noexpr  "[nN][[:alpha:]]*"
yesstr  "Y:y:yes"
nostr   "N:n:no"
#
END LC_MESSAGES
```

Files

Item	Description
/usr/lib/nls/loc/*	Specifies locale definition source files for supported locales.
/usr/lib/nls/charmap/*	Specifies character set description (charmap) source files for supported locales.

Related reference

Locale Definition Source File Format

[LC_TIME Category for the Locale Definition Source File Format](#)

Related information

[locale command](#)

[Changing Your Locale](#)

LC_MONETARY Category for the Locale Definition Source File Format

Purpose

Defines rules and symbols for formatting monetary numeric information.

Description

The **LC_MONETARY** category of a locale definition source file defines rules and symbols for formatting monetary numeric information. This category begins with an **LC_MONETARY** category header and terminates with an **END LC_MONETARY** category trailer.

All operands for the **LC_MONETARY** category keywords are defined as string or integer values. String values are enclosed by " " (double-quotation marks). All values are separated from the keyword they define by one or more spaces. Two adjacent double-quotation marks indicate an undefined string value. A

-1 indicates an undefined integer value. The following keywords are recognized in the **LC_MONETARY** category:

Item	Description
copy	Specifies the name of an existing locale to be used as the definition of this category. If a copy statement is included in the file, no other keyword can be specified.
int_curr_symbol	Specifies the string used for the international currency symbol. The operand for the int_curr_symbol keyword is a four-character string. The first three characters contain the alphabetic international-currency symbol. The fourth character specifies a character separator between the international currency symbol and a monetary quantity.
currency_symbol	Specifies the string used for the local currency symbol.
mon_decimal_point	Specifies the string used for the decimal delimiter used to format monetary quantities.
mon_thousands_sep	Specifies the character separator used for grouping digits to the left of the decimal delimiter in formatted monetary quantities.
mon_grouping	<p>Specifies a string that defines the size of each group of digits in formatted monetary quantities. The operand for the mon_grouping keyword consists of a sequence of semicolon-separated integers. Each integer specifies the number of digits in a group. The initial integer defines the size of the group immediately to the left of the decimal delimiter. The following integers define succeeding groups to the left of the previous group. If the last integer is not -1, the size of the previous group (if any) is repeatedly used for the remainder of the digits. If the last integer is -1, no further grouping is performed.</p> <p>The following is an example of the interpretation of the mon_grouping statement. Assuming the value to be formatted is 123456789 and the operand for the mon_thousands_sep keyword is ' ' (single-quotation mark), the following results occur:</p>
mon_grouping Value	Formatted Value
3; -1	123456'789
3	123'456'789
3;2; -1	1234'56'789
3;2	12'34'56'789
	-1
	123456789
positive_sign	Specifies the string used to indicate a nonnegative-valued formatted monetary quantity.
negative_sign	Specifies the string used to indicate a negative-valued formatted monetary quantity.
int_frac_digits	Specifies an integer value representing the number of fractional digits (those after the decimal delimiter) to be displayed in a formatted monetary quantity using the int_curr_symbol value.
frac_digits	Specifies an integer value representing the number of fractional digits (those after the decimal delimiter) to be displayed in a formatted monetary quantity using the currency_symbol value.

mon_grouping Value**p_cs_precedes****Formatted Value**

Specifies an integer value indicating whether the **int_curr_symbol** or **currency_symbol** string precedes or follows the value for a nonnegative formatted monetary quantity. The following integer values are recognized:

0

Indicates that the currency symbol follows the monetary quantity.

1

Indicates that the currency symbol precedes the monetary quantity.

p_sep_by_space

Specifies an integer value indicating whether the **int_curr_symbol** or **currency_symbol** string is separated by a space from a nonnegative formatted monetary quantity. The following integer values are recognized:

0

Indicates that no space separates the currency symbol from the monetary quantity.

1

Indicates that a space separates the currency symbol from the monetary quantity.

2

Indicates that a space separates the currency symbol and the **positive_sign** string, if adjacent.

n_cs_precedes

Specifies an integer value indicating whether the **int_curr_symbol** or **currency_symbol** string precedes or follows the value for a negative formatted monetary quantity. The following integer values are recognized:

0

Indicates that the currency symbol follows the monetary quantity.

1

Indicates that the currency symbol precedes the monetary quantity.

n_sep_by_space

Specifies an integer value indicating whether the **int_curr_symbol** or **currency_symbol** string is separated by a space from a negative formatted monetary quantity. The following integer values are recognized:

0

Indicates that no space separates the currency symbol from the monetary quantity.

1

Indicates that a space separates the currency symbol from the monetary quantity.

2

Indicates that a space separates the currency symbol and the **negative_sign** string, if adjacent.

mon_grouping Value**p_sign_posn****Formatted Value**

Specifies an integer value indicating the positioning of the **positive_sign** string for a nonnegative formatted monetary quantity. The following integer values are recognized:

0

Indicates that a **left_parenthesis** and **right_parenthesis** symbol enclose both the monetary quantity and the **int_curr_symbol** or **currency_symbol** string.

1

Indicates that the **positive_sign** string precedes the quantity and the **int_curr_symbol** or **currency_symbol** string.

2

Indicates that the **positive_sign** string follows the quantity and the **int_curr_symbol** or **currency_symbol** string.

3

Indicates that the **positive_sign** string immediately precedes the **int_curr_symbol** or **currency_symbol** string.

4

Indicates that the **positive_sign** string immediately follows the **int_curr_symbol** or **currency_symbol** string.

n_sign_posn

Specifies an integer value indicating the positioning of the **negative_sign** string for a negative formatted monetary quantity. The following integer values are recognized:

0

Indicates that a **left_parenthesis** and **right_parenthesis** symbol enclose both the monetary quantity and the **int_curr_symbol** or **currency_symbol** string.

1

Indicates that the **negative_sign** string precedes the quantity and the **int_curr_symbol** or **currency_symbol** string.

2

Indicates that the **negative_sign** string follows the quantity and the **int_curr_symbol** or **currency_symbol** string.

3

Indicates that the **negative_sign** string immediately precedes the **int_curr_symbol** or **currency_symbol** string.

4

Indicates that the **negative_sign** string immediately follows the **int_curr_symbol** or **currency_symbol** string.

debit_sign

Specifies the string used for the debit symbol (**DB**) to indicate a nonnegative formatted monetary quantity.

credit_sign

Specifies the string used for the credit symbol (**CR**) to indicate a negative formatted monetary quantity.

left_parenthesis

Specifies the character, equivalent to a ((left parenthesis), used by the **p_sign_posn** and **n_sign_posn** statements to enclose a monetary quantity and currency symbol.

right_parenthesis

Specifies the character, equivalent to a) (right parenthesis), used by the **p_sign_posn** and **n_sign_posn** statements to enclose a monetary quantity and currency symbol.

A unique customized monetary format can be produced by changing the value of a single statement. For example, the following table shows the results of using all combinations of defined values for the **p_cs_precedes**, **p_sep_by_space**, and **p_sign_posn** statements.

<i>Table 4. Results of Various Locale Variable Value Combinations</i>		
Item	Description	
p_cs_precedes	p_sign_posn	p_sep_by_space =
p_cs_precedes = 1	p_sign_posn = 0	2 (\$1.25) 1 (\$ 1.25) 0 (\$1.25)
	p_sign_posn = 1	2 + \$1.25 1 +\$ 1.25 0 +\$1.25
	p_sign_posn = 2	2 \$1.25 + 1 \$ 1.25+ 0 \$1.25+
	p_sign_posn = 3	2 + \$1.25 1 +\$ 1.25 0 +\$1.25
	p_sign_posn = 4	2 \$ +1.25 1 \$+ 1.25 0 \$+1.25
p_cs_precedes = 0	p_sign_posn = 0	2 (1.25 \$) 1 (1.25 \$) 0 (1.25\$)

Table 4. Results of Various Locale Variable Value Combinations (continued)

Item	Description	
	p_sign_posn = 1	2 +1.25 \$ 1 +1.25 \$ 0 +1.25\$
	p_sign_posn = 2	2 1.25\$ + 1 1.25 \$+ 0 1.25\$+
	p_sign_posn = 3	2 1.25+ \$ 1 1.25 +\$ 0 1.25+\$
	p_sign_posn = 4	2 1.25\$ + 1 1.25 \$+ 0 1.25\$+

Example

The following is an example of a possible **LC_MONETARY** category listed in a locale definition source file:

```
LC_MONETARY
#
int_curr_symbol    "<U><S><D>"
currency_symbol    "<dollar-sign>"
mon_decimal_point  "<period>"
mon_thousands_sep "<comma>"
mon_grouping       <3>
positive_sign      "<plus-sign>"
negative_sign      "<hyphen>"
int_frac_digits    <2>
frac_digits        <2>
p_cs_precedes      <1>
p_sep_by_space     <2>
n_cs_precedes      <1>
n_sep_by_space     <2>
p_sign_posn        <3>
n_sign_posn        <3>
debit_sign         "<D><B>"
credit_sign        "<C><R>"
left_parenthesis   "<left-parenthesis>"
right_parenthesis  "<right-parenthesis>"
#
END LC_MONETARY
```

Files

Item	Description
<u>/usr/lib/nls/loc/*</u>	Specifies locale definition source files for supported locales.
<u>/usr/lib/nls/charmap/*</u>	Specifies character set description (charmap) source files for supported locales.

Related reference

[Locale Definition Source File Format](#)

Related information

[locale command](#)

[Changing Your Locale](#)

LC_NUMERIC Category for the Locale Definition Source File Format

Purpose

Defines rules and symbols for formatting non-monetary numeric information.

Description

The **LC_NUMERIC** category of a locale definition source file defines rules and symbols for formatting non-monetary numeric information. This category begins with an **LC_NUMERIC** category header and terminates with an **END LC_NUMERIC** category trailer.

All operands for the **LC_NUMERIC** category keywords are defined as string or integer values. String values are enclosed by " " (double-quotation marks). All values are separated from the keyword they define by one or more spaces. Two adjacent double-quotation marks indicate an undefined string value. A -1 indicates an undefined integer value. The following keywords are recognized in the **LC_NUMERIC** category:

Item	Description
copy	The copy statement specifies the name of an existing locale to be used as the definition of this category. If a copy statement is included in the file, no other keyword can be specified.
decimal_point	Specifies the string used for the decimal delimiter used to format numeric, non-monetary quantities.
thousands_sep	Specifies the string separator used for grouping digits to the left of the decimal delimiter in formatted numeric, non-monetary quantities.
grouping	Defines the size of each group of digits in formatted monetary quantities. The operand for the grouping keyword consists of a sequence of semicolon-separated integers. Each integer specifies the number of digits in a group. The initial integer defines the size of the group immediately to the left of the decimal delimiter. The following integers define succeeding groups to the left of the previous group. If the last integer is not -1, the size of the previous group (if any) is used repeatedly for the remainder of the digits. If the last integer is -1, no further grouping is performed.

The following is an example of the interpretation of the **grouping** statement. Assuming the value to be formatted is 123456789 and the operand for the **thousands_sep** keyword is ' (single quotation mark) the following results occur:

Grouping Value	Formatted Value
3; -1	123456'789

Grouping Value	Formatted Value
3	123'456'789
3;2;-1	1234'56'789
3;2	12'34'56'789
-1	123456789

Examples

Following is an example of a possible **LC_NUMERIC** category listed in a locale definition source file:

```
LC_NUMERIC
#
decimal_point      "<period>"
thousands_sep     "<comma>"
grouping           <3>
#
END LC_NUMERIC
```

Files

Item	Description
/usr/lib/nls/loc/*	Specifies locale definition source files for supported locales.
/usr/lib/nls/charmap/*	Specifies character set description (charmap) source files for supported locales.

Related reference

[Character Set Description \(charmap\) Source File Format](#)

Related information

[locale command](#)

[Changing Your Locale](#)

LC_TIME Category for the Locale Definition Source File Format

Purpose

Defines rules and symbols for formatting time and date information.

Description

The **LC_TIME** category of a locale definition source file defines rules and symbols for formatting time and date information. This category begins with an **LC_TIME** category header and terminates with an **END LC_TIME** category trailer.

Keywords

All operands for the **LC_TIME** category keywords are defined as string or integer values. String values are enclosed by " " (double-quotation marks). All values are separated from the keyword they define by one or more spaces. Two adjacent double-quotation marks indicate an undefined string value. A -1 indicates an undefined integer value. Field descriptors are used by commands and subroutines that query the **LC_TIME** category to represent elements of time and date formats. The following keywords are recognized in the **LC_TIME** category:

Item	Description
copy	The copy statement specifies the name of an existing locale to be used as the definition of this category. If a copy statement is included in the file, no other keyword can be specified.
abday	Defines the abbreviated weekday names corresponding to the %a field descriptor. Recognized values consist of 7 semicolon-separated strings. Each string must be of equal length and contain 5 characters or less. The first string corresponds to the abbreviated name (Sun) for the first day of the week (Sunday), the second to the abbreviated name for the second day of the week, and so on.
day	Defines the full spelling of the weekday names corresponding to the %A field descriptor. Recognized values consist of seven semicolon-separated strings. The first string corresponds to the full spelling of the name of the first day of the week (Sunday), the second to the name of the second day of the week, and so on.
abmon	Defines the abbreviated month names corresponding to the %b field descriptor. Recognized values consist of 12 semicolon-separated strings. Each string must be of equal length and contain 5 characters or less. The first string corresponds to the abbreviated name (Jan) for the first month of the year (January), the second to the abbreviated name for the second month of the year, and so on.
mon	Defines the full spelling of the month names corresponding to the %B field descriptor. Recognized values consist of 12 semicolon-separated strings. The first string corresponds to the full spelling of the name for the first month of the year (January), the second to the full spelling of the name for the second month of the year, and so on.
d_t_fmt	Defines the string used for the standard date and time format corresponding to the %c field descriptor. The string can contain any combination of characters and field descriptors.
d_fmt	Defines the string used for the standard date format corresponding to the %x field descriptor. The string can contain any combination of characters and field descriptors.
t_fmt	Defines the string used for the standard time format corresponding to the %X field descriptor. The string can contain any combination of characters and field descriptors.
am_pm	Defines the strings used to represent <i>ante meridiem</i> (before noon) and <i>post meridiem</i> (after noon) corresponding to the %p field descriptor. Recognized values consist of two semicolon-separated strings. The first string corresponds to the <i>ante meridiem</i> designation, the last string to the <i>post meridiem</i> designation.
t_fmt_ampm	Defines the string used for the standard 12-hour time format that includes an am_pm value (the %p field descriptor). This statement corresponds to the %I field descriptor. The string can contain any combination of characters and field descriptors.

Item	Description
era	<p>Defines how the years are counted and displayed for each era (or emperor's reign) in a locale, corresponding to the %E field descriptor modifier. For each era, there must be one string in the following format:</p> <pre><i>direction:offset:start_date:end_date:name:format</i></pre> <p>The variables for the era-string format are defined as follows:</p> <p><i>direction</i> Specifies a - (minus sign) or + (plus sign) character. The plus sign character indicates that years count in the positive direction when moving from the start date to the end date. The minus sign character indicates that years count in the negative direction when moving from the start date to the end date.</p> <p><i>offset</i> Specifies a number representing the first year of the era.</p> <p><i>start_date</i> Specifies the starting date of the era in the <i>yyyy/mm/dd</i> format, where <i>yyyy</i>, <i>mm</i>, and <i>dd</i> are the year, month, and day, respectively. Years prior to the year AD 1 are represented as negative numbers. For example, an era beginning March 5th in the year 100 BC would be represented as -100/03/05.</p> <p><i>end_date</i> Specifies the ending date of the era in the same form used for the <i>start_date</i> variable or one of the two special values -* or +. A -* value indicates that the ending date of the era extends backward to the beginning of time. A + value indicates that the ending date of the era extends forward to the end of time. Therefore, the ending date can be chronologically before or after the starting date of the era. For example, the strings for the Christian eras AD and BC would be entered as follows:</p> <pre>+:0:0000/01/01:+:AD:%o %N +:1:-0001/12/31:-*:BC:%o %N</pre> <p><i>name</i> Specifies a string representing the name of the era that is substituted for the %N field descriptor.</p> <p><i>format</i> Specifies a string for formatting the %E field descriptor. This string is usually a function of the %o and %N field descriptors.</p> <p>An era value consists of one string for each era. If more than one era is specified, each era string is separated by a ; (semicolon).</p>
era_year	Defines the string used to represent the year in alternate-era format corresponding to the %Ey field descriptor. The string can contain any combination of characters and field descriptors.
era_d_fmt	Defines the string used to represent the date in alternate-era format corresponding to the %Ex field descriptor. The string can contain any combination of characters and field descriptors.
era_t_fmt	Defines the alternative time format of the locale, as represented by the %EX field descriptor for the strftime subroutine.
era_d_t_fmt	Defines the alternative date and time format of the locale, as represented by the %Ec field descriptor for the strftime subroutine.

Item	Description
alt_digits	Defines alternate strings for digits corresponding to the %o field descriptor. Recognized values consist of a group of semicolon-separated strings. The first string represents the alternate string for 0, the second string represents the alternate string for one, and so on. A maximum of 100 alternate strings can be specified.

Field Descriptors

The **LC_TIME** locale definition source file uses field descriptors to represent elements of time and date formats. Combinations of these field descriptors create other field descriptors or create time-and-date format strings. When used in format strings containing field descriptors and other characters, field descriptors are replaced by their current values. All other characters are copied without change. The following field descriptors are used by commands and subroutines that query the **LC_TIME** category for time formatting:

Item	Description
%a	Represents the abbreviated weekday name (for example, Sun) defined by the abday statement.
%A	Represents the full weekday name (for example, Sunday) defined by the day statement.
%b	Represents the abbreviated month name (for example, Jan) defined by the abmon statement.
%B	Represents the full month name (for example, January) defined by the month statement.
%c	Represents the time-and-date format defined by the d_t_fmt statement.
%C	Represents the century as a decimal number (00 to 99).
%d	Represents the day of the month as a decimal number (01 to 31).
%D	Represents the date in %m/%d/%y format (for example, 01/31/91).
%e	Represents the day of the month as a decimal number (01 to 31). The %e field descriptor uses a two-digit field. If the day of the month is not a two-digit number, the leading digit is filled with a space character.
%Ec	Specifies the locale's alternate appropriate date and time representation.
%EC	Specifies the name of the base year (period) in the locale's alternate representation.
%Ex	Specifies the locale's alternate date representation.
%EX	Specifies the locale's alternate time representation.
%Ey	Specifies the offset from the %EC (year only) field descriptor in the locale's alternate representation.
%EY	Specifies the full alternate year representation.
%Od	Specifies the day of the month using the locale's alternate numeric symbols.
%Oe	Specifies the day of the month using the locale's alternate numeric symbols.
%OH	Specifies the hour (24-hour clock) using the locale's alternate numeric symbols.
%OI	Specifies the hour (12-hour clock) using the locale's alternate numeric symbols.
%Om	Specifies the month using the locale's alternate numeric symbols.
%OM	Specifies the minutes using the locale's alternate numeric symbols.
%OS	Specifies the seconds using the locale's alternate numeric symbols.
%OU	Specifies the week number of the year (Sunday as the first day of the week) using the locale's alternate numeric symbols.

Item	Description
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%Ow	Specifies the weekday as a number in the locale's alternate representation (Sunday = 0).
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Item	Description
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%OW	Specifies the week number of the year (Monday as the first day of the week) using the locale's alternate numeric symbols.
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%Oy	Specifies the year (offset from the %C field descriptor) in alternate representation.
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%h	Represents the abbreviated month name (for example, Jan) defined by the abmon statement. This field descriptor is a synonym for the %b field descriptor.
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%H	Represents the 24-hour clock hour as a decimal number (00 to 23).
-----------	---

%I	Represents the 12-hour clock hour as a decimal number (01 to 12).
-----------	---

%j	Represents the day of the year as a decimal number (001 to 366).
-----------	--

%m	Represents the month of the year as a decimal number (01 to 12).
-----------	--

%M	Represents the minutes of the hour as a decimal number (00 to 59).
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%n	Specifies a new-line character.
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%N	Represents the alternate era name.
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%o	Represents the alternate era year.
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%p	Represents the a.m. or p.m. string defined by the am_pm statement.
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%r	Represents the 12-hour clock time with a.m./p.m. notation as defined by the t_fmt_ampm statement.
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%S	Represents the seconds of the minute as a decimal number (00 to 59).
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%t	Specifies a tab character.
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%T	Represents 24-hour clock time in the format %H:%M:%S (for example, 16:55:15).
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%U	Represents the week of the year as a decimal number (00 to 53). Sunday, or its equivalent as defined by the day statement, is considered the first day of the week for calculating the value of this field descriptor.
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%w	Represents the day of the week as a decimal number (0 to 6). Sunday, or its equivalent as defined by the day statement, is considered as 0 for calculating the value of this field descriptor.
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%W	Represents the week of the year as a decimal number (00 to 53). Monday, or its equivalent as defined by the day statement, is considered the first day of the week for calculating the value of this field descriptor.
-----------	---

%x	Represents the date format defined by the d_fmt statement.
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%X	Represents the time format defined by the t_fmt statement.
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%y	Represents the year of the century (00 to 99).
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Note: When the environment variable **XPG_TIME_FMT=ON**, **%y** is the year within the century. When a century is not otherwise specified, values in the range 69-99 refer to years in the twentieth century (1969 to 1999, inclusive); values in the range 00-68 refer to 2000 to 2068, inclusive.

%Y	Represents the year as a decimal number (for example, 1989).
-----------	--

%Z	Represents the time-zone name, if one can be determined (for example, EST); no characters are displayed if a time zone cannot be determined.
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%%	Specifies a % (percent sign) character.
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Example

The following is an example of a possible **LC_TIME** category listed in a locale definition source file:

```
LC_TIME
#
#Abbreviated weekday names (%a)
abday    "<S><u><n>"; "<M><o><n>"; "<T><u><e>"; "<W><e><d>"; \
        "<T><h><u>"; "<F><r><i>"; "<S><a><t>"
#
#Full weekday names (%A)
day      "<S><u><n><d><a><y>"; "<M><o><n><d><a><y>"; \
        "<T><u><e><s><d><a><y>"; "<W><e><d><n><e><s><d><a><y>"; \
        "<T><h><u><r><s><d><a><y>"; "<F><r><i><d><a><y>"; \
        "<S><a><t><u><r><d><a><y>"
#
#Abbreviated month names (%b)
abmon    "<J><a><n>"; "<F><e><b>"; "<M><a><r>"; "<A><p><r>"; \
        "<M><a><y>"; "<J><u><n>"; "<J><u><l>"; "<A><u><g>"; \
        "<S><e><p>"; "<O><c><t>"; "<N><o><v>"; "<D><e><c>"
#
#Full month names (%B)
mon      "<J><a><n><u><a><r><y>"; "<F><e><b><r><u><a><r><y>"; \
        "<M><a><r><c><h>"; "<A><p><r><i><l>"; "<M><a><y>"; \
        "<J><u><n><e>"; "<J><u><l><y>"; "<A><u><g><u><s><t>"; \
        "<S><e><p><t><e><m><b><e><r>"; "<O><c><t><o><b><e><r>"; \
        "<N><o><v><e><m><b><e><r>"; "<D><e><c><e><m><b><e><r>"
#
#Date and time format (%c)
d_t_fmt  "%a %b %d %H:%M:%S %Y"
#
#Date format (%x)
d_fmt     "%m/%d/%y"
#
#Time format (%X)
t_fmt     "%H:%M:%S"
#
#Equivalent of AM/PM (%p)
am_pm     "<A><M>"; "<P><M>"
#
#12-hour time format (%r)
t_fmt_ampm "%I:%M:%S %p"
#
era       "+:0:0000/01/01:+*:AD:%o %N"; \
        "+:1:-0001/12/31:-*:BC:%o %N"
era_year  ""
era_d_fmt ""
alt_digits "<0><t><h>"; "<1><s><t>"; "<2><n><d>"; "<3><r><d>"; \
        "<4><t><h>"; "<5><t><h>"; "<6><t><h>"; "<7><t><h>"; \
        "<8><t><h>"; "<9><t><h>"; "<1><0><t><h>"
#
END LC_TIME
```

Files

Item	Description
<u>/usr/lib/nls/loc/*</u>	Specifies locale definition source files for supported locales.
<u>/usr/lib/nls/charmap/*</u>	Specifies character set description (charmap) source files for supported locales.

Related reference

[LC_MESSAGES Category for the Locale Definition Source File Format](#)
[Character Set Description \(charmap\) Source File Format](#)

Related information

[locale command](#)
[strftime command](#)

Locale Method Source File Format

Purpose

Specifies the methods to be overridden when constructing a locale.

Description

The **methods** source file maps methods names to the National Language Support (NLS) subroutines that implement those methods. The **methods** file also specifies the libraries where the implementing subroutines are stored.

The methods correspond to those subroutines that require direct access to the data structures representing locale data.

The following is the expected grammar for a **methods** file:

```
method_def : "METHODS"
            | method_assign_list "END METHODS"
            ;
```

```
method_assign_list :
    method_assign_list method_assign
    | method_assign_list
    | method_assign
    ;
```

```
method_assign :
    "csid" meth_name meth_lib_path
    | "fnmatch" meth_name meth_lib_path
    | "get_wctype" meth_name meth_lib_path
    | "is_wctype" meth_name meth_lib_path
    | "mblen" meth_name meth_lib_path
    | "__mbstopcs" meth_name meth_lib_path
    | "mbstowcs" meth_name meth_lib_path
    | "__mbtopc" meth_name meth_lib_path
    | "mbtowc" meth_name meth_lib_path
    | "__pcstombs" meth_name meth_lib_path
    | "__pctomb" meth_name meth_lib_path
    | "regcomp" meth_name meth_lib_path
    | "regerror" meth_name meth_lib_path
    | "regex" meth_name meth_lib_path
    | "regfree" meth_name meth_lib_path
    | "rpmatch" meth_name meth_lib_path
    | "strcoll" meth_name meth_lib_path
    | "strfmon" meth_name meth_lib_path
    | "strftime" meth_name meth_lib_path
    | "strptime" meth_name meth_lib_path
    | "strxfrm" meth_name meth_lib_path
    | "towlower" meth_name meth_lib_path
    | "towupper" meth_name meth_lib_path
    | "wcscoll" meth_name meth_lib_path
    | "wcsftime" meth_name meth_lib_path
    | "wcsid" meth_name meth_lib_path
    | "wcstombs" meth_name meth_lib_path
    | "wcswidth" meth_name meth_lib_path
    | "wcsxfrm" meth_name meth_lib_path
    | "wctomb" meth_name meth_lib_path
    | "wcwidth" meth_name meth_lib_path
    ;
```

```
meth_name: global_name
          | cfunc_name
          ;
```

```
global_name: "CSID_STD"
            | "FNMATCH_C"
            | "FNMATCH_STD"
            | "GET_WCTYPE_STD"
            | "IS_WCTYPE_SB"
            | "IS_WCTYPE_STD"
            | "LOCALECONV_STD"
```

```

"MBLEN_932"
"MBLEN_EUCJP"
"MBLEN_SB"
"__MBSTOPCS_932"
"__MBSTOPCS_EUCJP"
"__MBSTOPCS_SB"
"MBSTOWCS_932"
"MBSTOWCS_EUCJP"
"MBSTOWCS_SB"
"__MBTOPC_932"
"__MBTOPC_EUCJP"
"__MBTOPC_SB"
"MBTOWC_932"
"MBTOWC_EUCJP"
"MBTOWC_SB"
"NL_MONINFO"
"NL_NUMINFO"
"NL_RESPINFO"
"NL_TIMINFO"
"__PCSTOMBS_932"
"__PCSTOMBS_EUCJP"
"__PCSTOMBS_SB"
"__PCTOMB_932"
"__PCTOMB_EUCJP"
"__PCTOMB_SB"
"REGCOMP_STD"
"REGERROR_STD"
"REGEXEC_STD"
"REGFREE_STD"
"RPMATCH_C"
"RPMATCH_STD"
"STRCOLL_C"
"STRCOLL_SB"
"STRCOLL_STD"
"STRFMON_STD"
"STRFTIME_STD"
"STRPTIME_STD"
"STRXFRM_C"
"STRXFRM_SB"
"STRXFRM_STD"
"TOWLOWER_STD"
"TOWUPPER_STD"
"WCSOLL_C"
"WCSOLL_STD"
"WCSFTIME_STD"
"WCSID_STD"
"W CSTOMBS_932"
"W CSTOMBS_EUCJP"
"W CSTOMBS_SB"
"WCSWIDTH_932"
"WCSWIDTH_EUCJP"
"WCSWIDTH_LATIN"
"WCSXFRM_C"
"WCSXFRM_STD"
"WCTOMB_932"
"WCTOMB_EUCJP"
"WCTOMB_SB"
"WCWIDTH_932"
"WCWIDTH_EUCJP"
"WCWIDTH_LATIN"
;

```

Where **cfunc_name** is the name of a user supplied subroutine, and **meth_lib_path** is an optional path name for the library containing the specified subroutine.

Note: If a 64-bit locale is to be created, then **meth_lib_path** must specify the path for a single archive for the two shared objects, one 32-bit and the other 64-bit, containing the specified subroutines. Specifying separate paths to the 32-bit and 64-bit shared objects will result in **localedef** failing due to incompatible **XCOFF** format.

The **localedef** command parses this information to determine the methods to be used for this locale. The following subroutines must be specified in the **method** file:

- [__mbtopc](#)
- [__mbstopcs](#)
- [__pctomb](#)

- [__pcstombs](#)
- [mblen](#)
- [mbstowcs](#)
- [mbtowc](#)
- [wcstombs](#)
- [wcswidth](#)
- [wctomb](#)
- [wcwidth](#)

Any other method not specified in the **method** file retains the default.

Mixing of **cfunc_name** values and **global_name** values is not allowed. A **method** file should not include both. If the **localedef** command receives a **method** file containing both **cfunc_name** values and **global_name** values, an error is generated and the locale is not created.

It is not mandatory that the **METHODS** section specify the library name. If an individual method does not specify a library, the method inherits the most recently specified library. The **libc.a** library is the default library.

The method for the **mbtowc** and **wcwidth** subroutines should avoid calling other methods where possible.

An understanding of how the **__mbtopc**, **__mbstopcs**, **__pctomb**, and **__pcstombs** subroutines process wide characters is useful when constructing a **method** file. These subroutines should not be used in applications programs.

__mbtopc Subroutine

The **__mbtopc** subroutine converts a character to a process code.

The syntax for the **__mbtopc** subroutine is as follows:

```
size_t __mbtopc(PC, S, LenS, Err) wchar_t * PC; uchar * S; size_t LenS; int * Err;
```

The input buffer pointed to by the *S* parameter contains the number of bytes of character data specified in the *LenS* parameter. The **__mbtopc** subroutine attempts to convert the character to a process code. If a valid character is found in the input buffer pointed to by the *S* parameter, the character is converted and stored in the *PC* parameter, and the number of bytes in the character is returned.

If the number of bytes specified by the *LenS* parameter in the input buffer pointed to by the *S* parameter form an invalid character, the subroutine returns 0 and sets the *Err* parameter to the value -1. If a character cannot be formed in the number of bytes specified by the *LenS* parameter or less, the subroutine returns 0 and sets the *Err* parameter to the number of bytes required to form a character beginning with the data pointed to by the *S* parameter.

The parameters have the following values:

Item	Description
<i>PC</i>	Points to a wide character to contain the converted character.
<i>S</i>	Points to the buffer of character data to be converted.
<i>LenS</i>	Specifies the number of bytes of character data pointed to by the <i>S</i> parameter.
<i>Err</i>	Specifies an error value indicating why the conversion failed.

__mbstopcs Subroutine

The **__mbstopcs** subroutine converts a character string to a process code string.

The syntax for the **__mbstopcs** subroutine is as follows:

```
size_t __mbstopcs(PC, LenPC, S, LenS, StopCh, EndPtr, Err) wchar_t * PC; size_t LenPC; uchar * S; size_t LenS; uchar StopCh; uchar ** EndPtr; int * Err;
```

The input buffer pointed to by the *S* parameter contains the number of bytes of character data specified in the *LenS* parameter. The **__mbstopcs** subroutine attempts to convert the character data to process codes. The conversion of characters continues until one of the following occurs:

- The number of bytes specified by the *LenS* parameter have been converted.
- The number of characters specified by the *LenPC* parameter have been converted.
- The byte value specified in the *StopCh* parameter is encountered in the input buffer pointed to by the *S* parameter.
- An invalid or incomplete character is found in the input buffer pointed to by the *S* parameter.

If the number of bytes specified by the *LenS* parameter or the number of characters specified by the *LenPC* parameter are successfully converted, the **__mbstopcs** subroutine returns the number of characters converted, sets the *Err* parameter to 0, and sets the *EndPtr* parameter to point immediately after the last character converted in the input buffer pointed to by the *S* parameter.

If the byte specified by the *StopCh* parameter is found in the input buffer pointed to by the *S* parameter, the following occurs:

- Conversion ceases.
- The value specified by the *StopCh* parameter is placed in the *PC* parameter.
- The *EndPtr* parameter is set to point immediately after the value specified by the *StopCh* parameter.
- The *Err* parameter is set to 0.
- The number of characters converted is returned.

If an invalid character is found in the input buffer pointed to by the *S* parameter, the *EndPtr* parameter is set to point to the start of this character, the *Err* parameter is set to **(size_t)-1**, and the **__mbstopcs** subroutine returns the number of characters converted.

If an incomplete character is found at the end of the input buffer pointed to by the *S* parameter, the *EndPtr* parameter is set to point to the start of the incomplete character, and the *Err* parameter is set to the number of bytes in a character starting with the byte pointed to by *EndPtr* parameter. The **__mbstopcs** subroutine returns the number of characters converted.

The parameters have the following values:

Item	Description
<i>PC</i>	Points to a wchar_t array to contain the converted characters.
<i>LenPC</i>	Specifies the maximum number of wide characters that can be placed in the <i>PC</i> parameter.
<i>S</i>	Points to a buffer of character data to be converted.
<i>LenS</i>	Specifies the number of bytes of character data in the <i>S</i> parameter.
<i>StopCh</i>	Specifies a single-byte character value to indicate end of data in the <i>S</i> parameter.
<i>EndPtr</i>	Points into the <i>S</i> parameter where character conversion ended.
<i>Err</i>	Specifies an error value indicating why the conversion failed.

__pctomb Subroutine

The **__pctomb** subroutine converts a process code to a character.

The syntax for the **__pctomb** subroutine is as follows:

```
size_t __pctomb(S, LenS, PC, Err) char * S; size_t LenS; wchar_t * PC; int * Err;
```

The input buffer pointed to by the *PC* parameter contains a wide character that the subroutine attempts to convert to a character in the input buffer pointed to by the *S* parameter. If a valid process code is found in the input buffer pointed to by the *PC* parameter, it is converted and stored in the input buffer pointed to by the *S* parameter, and the number of bytes in the character is returned.

If the wide character in the input buffer pointed to by the *PC* parameter is invalid, the **__pctomb** subroutine returns 0 and sets the *Err* parameter to the value (**size_t**)-1. If the length of the character is greater than the number of bytes specified by the *LenS* parameter, the **__pctomb** subroutine returns 0 and sets the *Err* parameter to the number of bytes required to form the character.

The parameters have the following values:

Item	Description
<i>S</i>	Points to a buffer to contain the converted process code.
<i>LenS</i>	Specifies the size of the character array pointed to by the <i>S</i> parameter.
<i>PC</i>	Points to the wide character to be converted.
<i>Err</i>	Specifies an error value indicating why the conversion failed.

__pcstombs Subroutine

The **__pcstombs** subroutine converts a wide character string to a character string.

The syntax for the **__pcstombs** subroutine is as follows:

```
size_t __pcstombs(S, LenS, PC, LenPC, StopCh, EndPtr, Err) char * S; size_t LenS; wchar_t * PC; size_t LenPC; wchar_t StopCh; char ** EndPtr; int * Err;
```

The input buffer pointed to by the *PC* parameter contains the number of wide characters specified by the *LenPC* parameter. The **__pcstombs** subroutine attempts to convert the process codes to characters. The conversion continues until one of the following occurs:

- The number of wide characters specified by the *LenPC* parameter have been converted.
- The number of bytes specified by the *LenS* parameter have been converted.
- The character value specified in the *StopCh* parameter is encountered in the input buffer pointed to by the *PC* parameter.
- An invalid wide character is found in the input buffer pointed to by the *PC* parameter.

If the number of bytes specified by the *LenS* parameter or the number of characters specified by the *LenPC* parameter are successfully converted, the **__pcstombs** subroutine returns the number of bytes placed in the buffer pointed to by the *S* parameter, sets the *Err* parameter to 0, and sets the *EndPtr* parameter to point immediately after the last character converted in the input buffer pointed to by the *PC* parameter.

If the character specified by the *StopCh* parameter is found in the input buffer pointed to by the *PC* parameter, the following occurs:

- Conversion ceases.
- The character specified by the *StopCh* parameter is placed at the end of the data currently pointed to by the *S* parameter.
- The *EndPtr* parameter is set to point immediately after the character specified by the *StopCh* parameter.
- The *Err* parameter is set to 0.
- The number of bytes placed in the buffer pointed to by the *S* parameter is returned.

If an invalid wide character is found in the input buffer pointed to by the *PC* parameter, the *EndPtr* parameter is set to point to the start of this character, the *Err* parameter is set to (**size_t**)-1, and the **__pcstombs** subroutine returns the number of bytes placed in the buffer pointed to by the *S* parameter.

The parameters have the following values:

Item	Description
<i>S</i>	Points to a buffer to contain the converted data.
<i>LenS</i>	Specifies the size in bytes of the character array pointed to by the <i>S</i> parameter.

Item	Description
<i>PC</i>	Points to a wchar_t array to be converted.
<i>LenPC</i>	Specifies the number of wide characters in the array pointed to by the <i>PC</i> parameter.
<i>StopCh</i>	Specifies a wide-character value to indicate end of data in the array pointed to by the <i>PC</i> parameter.
<i>EndPtr</i>	Points into the <i>S</i> parameter where character conversion ended.
<i>Err</i>	Specifies the error value indicating why the conversion failed.

Files

Item	Description
/usr/lib/nls/loc/*	Specifies locale definition source files for supported locales.
/usr/lib/nls/charmap/*	Specifies character set description (charmap) source files for supported locales.

Related reference

[Locale Definition Source File Format](#)

Related information

[locale command](#)

[National Language Support Overview for System Management](#)

magic File Format

Purpose

Defines file types.

Description

The **/etc/magic** file is used by commands such as the following to determine the type of a given file:

- **file** command
- **more** command

Entering the following command would result in a printed message describing the file type of the *FileName* parameter:

```
file FileName
```

If *FileName* contains a byte pattern corresponding to an executable file, the pattern would match a stanza in the **/etc/magic** file and the executable message would be displayed. If the *FileName* is a data file, a data message is displayed, and so on.

The fields of the magic file are as follows:

1. Byte offset
2. Value type
3. Optional relational operator ("=" by default) and value to match (numeric or string constant)
4. String to be printed

Numeric values may be decimal, octal, or hexadecimal. Strings can be entered as hexadecimal values by preceding them with '0x'.

The last string can have one **printf** format specification.

The > (greater than) symbol in occasional column 1s is magic; it forces commands to continue scanning and matching additional lines. The first line not marked with the > sign terminates the search.

Examples

```
0 short 2345 this is a dummy type file
```

```
0 long 0x1234 this is a different dummy type file
```

```
>12 long >0 another possible type
```

```
0 short 7895 last type of file
```

Related information

[file command](#)

[more or page command](#)

.mailrc File Format

Purpose

Sets defaults for the **mail** command.

Description

The **.mailrc** file can be placed in your **\$HOME** directory to personalize the **Mail** program. You can create the **.mailrc** file with any ASCII editor. Once the file is created, the **Mail** program reads the file when you send or read mail, and applies the options you have set. In the file, you can define aliases for other users' mail addresses. You can also change the way mail is displayed and stored on your system.

The **Mail** program uses a master file in the same format, **/usr/share/lib/Mail.rc**. Options you set in your **\$HOME/.mailrc** file override comparable options in the **Mail.rc** file.

A line that begins with a # (pound sign) followed by a space is treated as a comment. The Mail program ignores the entire line and any entries or options it contains.

Entries

Use the following **mail** subcommands as entries in the **.mailrc** file:

mail Subcommand

alias *NewAlias* { *Address...* | *PreviousAlias...* }

ignore *FieldList*

Definition

Defines an alias or distribution list. The alias can be defined as an actual mail address, or as another alias defined in a previous entry in the **.mailrc** file. To define a group, enter multiple addresses or previous aliases separated by spaces.

Adds the header fields in the *FieldList* parameter to the list of fields to be ignored. Ignored fields are not displayed when you look at a message with the **type** or **print** subcommand. Use this subcommand to suppress machine-generated header fields. Use the **Type** or **Print** subcommand to print a message in its entirety, including ignored fields.

mail Subcommand

set [*OptionList* | *Option=Value...*]

Definition

Sets an option. The argument following the **set** option can be either an *OptionList* giving the name of a binary option (an option that is either set or unset) or an *Option=Value* entry used to assign a value to an option.

unset *OptionList*

Disables the values of the options specified in *OptionList*. This action is the inverse of the **set** *OptionList* entry.

Binary Options for the set and unset Entries

Use the **set** entry to enable options and the **unset** entry to disable options. Add the options you want to set or unset to the **\$HOME/.mailrc** file. The options and the actions they generate are as follows:

Item	Description
append	Adds messages saved in your mailbox to the end rather than to the beginning of the \$HOME/mbox file.
ask	Prompts for the subject of each message sent. If you do not wish to create a subject field, press the Enter key at the prompt.
askcc	Prompts for the addresses of people who should receive copies of the message. If you do not wish to send copies, press the Enter key at the prompt.
autoprint	Sets the delete subcommand to delete the current message and display the next message.
debug	Displays debugging information. Messages are not sent while in debug mode. This is the same as specifying the -d flag on the command line.
dot	Interprets a period entered on a line by itself as the end of a message you are sending.
hold	Holds messages that you have read but have not deleted or saved in the system mailbox instead of in your personal mailbox. This option has no effect on deleted messages.
ignore	Ignores interrupt messages from your terminal and echoes them as @ (at sign) characters.
ignoreeof	Sets the mail command to refuse the Ctrl-D key sequence as the end of a message.
keepsave	Prevents the Mail program from deleting messages that you have saved with the s or w mailbox subcommand. Normally, messages are deleted automatically when you exit the mail command. Use the keepsave and hold options to hold messages in your system mailbox. Otherwise, the messages are placed in your personal mailbox (\$HOME/mbox).
metoo	Includes the sender in the alias expansion. By default, expanding the alias removes the sender. When this option is set in your .mailrc file, sending a message using an alias that includes your name sends a copy of the message to your mailbox.
noheader	Suppresses the list of messages in your mailbox when you start the Mail program. Instead, only the mailbox prompt (&) is displayed. To get a list of messages, use the h mailbox subcommand.
nosave	Prevents retention of interrupted letters in the \$HOME/dead.letter file.
quiet	Suppresses the printing of the banner when the Mail program starts. The banner is the line that shows the name of the Mail program.

Item	Description
Replyall	Reverses the meaning of the reply subcommand and the Reply subcommand.
verbose	Displays the actual delivery of messages on the terminal. This is the same as specifying the -v flag on the command line.

Value Options for the set Entry

You can use a **set** entry to assign values to the following options. For example, enter `set screen=20` to limit headers to 20 lines per screen.

Item	Description
crt=Lines	Defines the number of lines of a mail message the Mail program displays before pausing for input (this option starts the pg command to control the scrolling).
EDITOR=Editor	Gives the full path name of the editor to be started with the e mailbox subcommand or the ~e mail editor subcommand. The default editor is /usr/bin/e .
escape=Character	Changes the escape character used for mail editor subcommands . The default character is ~ (tilde).
folder=PathName	Gives the path name of a directory in which to store mail folders. Once the directory is defined, you can use the + (plus sign) notation to refer to it when using the <i>FileName</i> parameter with mailbox subcommands.
record=FileName	Defines a file in which to record outgoing mail. The path name must be absolute (that is, a full path name), or be given relative to the current directory. Note: If you set up a file to record outgoing messages, read the file periodically with the mail -f command and delete unnecessary messages. Otherwise, the file will grow and eventually use all of your storage space.
screen=Lines	Defines the number of lines of message headers displayed (for example, in response to the h mailbox subcommand) before pausing for input.
toplines=Lines	Defines the number of lines displayed by the top mailbox subcommand.
VISUAL=Editor	Gives the full path name of the editor to be started with the v mailbox subcommand or the ~v mail editor subcommand. The default editor is /usr/bin/vi .

Examples

1. To ignore the Message-ID field and the Received field, place the following entry in the **.mailrc** file:

```
ignore message-id received
```

When messages are displayed in the mailbox, the machine message ID number and the date your system received the message are not displayed.

2. To set a folder directory, place the following entry in the **.mailrc** file:

```
set folder=/home/kaye/notes
```

To save message 1 from the mailbox in the folder `procedures`, enter the following at the mailbox prompt (**&**):

```
s 1 +procedure
```

Message 1 is saved in the `/home/kaye/notes/procedures` file (if the file already exists, the message is appended to the file).

3. To record outgoing mail in a folder directory, place the following pair of entries in the **.mailrc** file:

```
set record=/home/pierre/letters/mailout
set folder=/home/pierre/letters
```

Outgoing mail is placed in the `/home/pierre/letters/mailout` file, and can be read with the following command:

```
mail -f +mailout
```

4. To combine the delete and print commands and also instruct the Mail program to include your user ID when expanding aliases, enter the following in your **.mailrc** file:

```
set autoprint metoo
```

The **autoprint** option causes the next message to be displayed whenever you delete a message. The **metoo** option causes the Mail program to send a copy of messages to you when it expands mail aliases. By default, the Mail program discards your user address when it expands an alias, so that you do not get a copy of mail you send.

5. To unset an option that is set in the **/usr/share/lib/Mail.rc** file, enter the following in your **.mailrc** file:

```
unset askcc
```

This entry prevents the mail editor from requesting a carbon copy list when you create messages, even if the **askcc** option is set in the **Mail.rc** file.

6. To set aliases for two users and a distribution list that includes several users, enter the following in your **.mailrc** file:

```
alias george george@thor.valhalla.dbm.comm
alias bill @odin.UUCP:@depta.UCCP:@deptb:bill@deptc
alias mygroup amy@cleo george bill
```

To send mail to user **bill** using his alias, enter:

```
mail bill
```

To send mail to everyone in the **mygroup** list, enter:

```
mail mygroup
```

When you complete and send the message, the **mail** command actually addresses it as follows:

```
amy@cleo george@thor.valhalla.dbm.comm @odin.UUCP:@depta.UCCP:
@deptb:bill@deptc
```

Files

Item

/usr/share/lib/Mail.rc

\$HOME/.mailrc

Description

Contains systemwide defaults for the Mail program.

Contains user-specific defaults for the Mail program.

Related reference

[aliases File for Mail](#)

Related information

[mail command](#)

[pg command](#)

[Creating and sending mail](#)

map3270 File Format for TCP/IP

Purpose

Defines keyboard mapping and colors for the **tn3270** command.

Description

The **/etc/map3270** file defines keyboard mapping and colors for the **tn3270** command. When emulating 3270 terminals, mapping must be performed between key sequences entered on a user's (ASCII) keyboard and the keys that are available on a 3270 emulator.

For example, the 3270 emulator key **EEOF** erases the contents of the current field from the location of the cursor to the end of the field. In order to accomplish this function, the terminal user and a program emulating a 3270 emulator must be compatible with regard to what keys invoke the **EEOF** function.

The requirements for these sequences are:

- The first character of the sequence is outside of the standard ASCII printable characters.
- No one sequence is an initial part of another (although sequences may share initial parts).

The **/etc/map3270** file consists of entries for various terminals. The first part of an entry lists names of terminals using that entry. These names should be the same as those in the **/usr/share/lib/terminfo/*.ti** files.

Note: Often, several terminals from different **/usr/share/lib/terminfo/*.ti** entries use the same **/etc/map3270** file entry. For example, both 925 and 925vb (for 925 with visual bells) might use the same **map3270** file entry. Each name is separated by a | (vertical bar), after which comes a { (left brace); the definitions; and finally, a } (right brace).

Format

The definitions begin with a reserved keyword, which identifies the 3270 function. The keyword is followed by an = (equal sign), which in turn is followed by the various string sequences to generate the particular function. The definitions end with a ; (semi-colon). The string sequences are printable ASCII characters enclosed inside ' (single quotes) and separated by | (vertical bars).

Special characters can be used within ' (single quotes). A ^ (caret) indicates a control character. For example, the string '^a' represents Ctrl-A; that is, hexadecimal 1 (the string '^A' generates the same code). To generate delete or rubout, enter '^d' '^?' (Ctrl-D or Ctrl-?). To represent a control character in the **/etc/map3270** file, you must use the caret. Typing Ctrl-A or Ctrl-A does not work.

Note: The Ctrl-^ key sequence (to generate a hexadecimal 1E) is represented as '^ ^' (not '^ \ ^').

The \ (backslash) special character precedes other characters to change their meaning. Because this has little effect for most characters, its use is not recommended. The backslash prevents a single quote from terminating a string, for example the string '^ \ ' represents Ctrl-'. For a backslash to be part of a string, place two backslashes ('\\ ') in the string.

In addition, the following characters are special:

'\e'	Specifies an escape character.
'\n'	Specifies a new line.
'\t'	Specifies a tab.
'\r'	Specifies a carriage return.

It is not necessary for each character in a string to be enclosed within single quotes. The string '\e\e\e' means three escape characters.

Comments, which may appear anywhere on a line, begin with a # (pound sign) and terminate at the end of that line. However, comments cannot begin inside a quoted string. A pound sign inside a quoted string has no special meaning.

3270 Keys Supported

Note: Some of the following keys do not exist on a 3270 emulator. The functions listed with an * (asterisk) are not supported by the **tn3270** command. An unsupported function causes the **tn3270** command to send a bell sequence to the user's terminal.

The **/etc/map3270** file supports the following list of 3270 key names:

Key Name	Functional Description
altk*	Alternate keyboard dvorak
aplend*	Treat input as ASCII
aploff*	APL off
apl on*	APL on
attention	Attention key. The attention key sends an IAC BREAK TELNET protocol sequence to the TELNET server on a VM or MVS system. The TELNET server is responsible for implementing the attention key.
btab	Field tab back
clear	Local clear of the 3270 screen
clrtab	Clear all column tabs
colbak	Column back tab
coltab	Column tab
cursel*	Cursor select
delete	Delete character
deltab	Delete a column tab
disc	Disconnect (suspend)
down	Down cursor
dp	Duplicate character
eeof	Erase end of field
einp	Erase input
enter	Enter key
erase	Erase last character
escape	Enter TELNET command mode
ferase	Erase field
fieldend	Tab to last non-blank of current or next unprotected (writable) field
flinp	Flush input
fm	Field mark character
home	Home the cursor
indent	Indent one tab stop
init*	New terminal type
insrt	Toggle insert mode
Item	Description
left	Left cursor

Item	Description
lp^{rt}*	Local print
master_reset	Reset, unlock, and redisplay
nl	New line
pa1	Program attention 1
pa2	Program attention 2
pa3	Program attention 3
pfk1	Program function key 1
pfk2	Program function key 2
.	.
.	.
.	.
pfk36	Program function key 36.
pcoff*	Xon/xoff off
pcon*	Xon/xoff on
reset	Reset key-unlock keyboard
reshow	Redisplay the screen
right	Right cursor
sethom	Set home position
setmrg	Set left margin
settab	Set a column tab
synch	In synch with the user
tab	Field tab
treq	Test request
undent	Undent one tab stop
up	Up cursor
werase	Erase last word
wordbacktab	Tab to beginning of current or last word
wordend	Tab to end of current or next word
wordtab	Tab to beginning of next word
xoff*	Hold output
xon*	Release output

A Sample Entry

The following default entry is included within the **tn3270** command and is used when it is unable to locate a version in the user's environment or the **/etc/map3270** file.

```
name {                                # actual name comes from TERM variable
clear = '^z';
flinp = '^x';
enter = '^m';
delete = '^d' | '^?';                # note that '^?' is delete (rubout)
```

```

synch = '^r';
reshow = '^v';
eeof = '^e';
tab = '^i';
btab = '^b';

nl = '^n';
left = '^h';
right = '^l';
up = '^k';
down = '^j';
einp = '^w';
reset = '^t';
xoff = '^s';
xon = '^q';
escape = '^c';
ferase = '^u';
insrt = ' ';
# program attention keys
pa1 = '^p1'; pa2 = '^p2'; pa3 = '^p3';
# program function keys
pfk1 = '1'; pfk2 = '2'; pfk3 = '3'; pfk4 = '4';
pfk5 = '5'; pfk6 = '6'; pfk7 = '7'; pfk8 = '8';
pfk9 = '9'; pfk10 = ' '; pfk11 = '-'; pfk12 = '=';
pfk13 = ' '; pfk14 = '@'; pfk15 = '0';
pfk17 = ' '; pfk18 = ' '; pfk19 = ' '; pfk20 = ' ';
pfk21 = ' '; pfk22 = ')'; pfk23 = '_'; pfk24 = ' ';
}

```

3270 Key Definitions

The following table shows the proper keys to emulate each 3270 function when using the default key mapping supplied with the **tn3270** command.

Table 5. 3270 Key Definitions		
Function	3270 Key	Default Key(s)
Command Keys	Enter	RETURN
	Clear	Ctrl-z
	Attention	Ctrl-F12
Cursor Movement Keys	New line	Ctrl-n or Home
	Tab	Ctrl-i
	Back tab	Ctrl-b
	Cursor left	Ctrl-h
	Cursor right	Ctrl-l
	Cursor up	Ctrl-k
	Cursor down	Ctrl-j or LINE FEED
Edit Control Keys	Delete char	Ctrl-d or RUB
	Erase EOF	Ctrl-e
	Erase input	Ctrl-w
	Insert mode	ESC Space
	End insert	ESC Space
Item	Description	
Program Function Keys	PF1	ESC 1

Item	Description	
	PF2	ESC 2

	PF10	ESC 0
	PF11	ESC -
	PF12	ESC =
	PF13	ESC !
	PF14	ESC @

	PF24	ESC +
Program Attention Keys	PA1	Ctrl-p 1
	PA2	Ctrl-p 2
	PA3	Ctrl-p 3
Local Control Keys	Reset after error	Ctrl-r
	Purge input buffer	Ctrl-x
	Keyboard unlock	Ctrl-t
	Redisplay screen	Ctrl-v
Other Keys	Erase current field	Ctrl-u

Files

Item

/etc/3270.keys

/usr/share/lib/terminfo/*.ti

Description

Contains the default keyboard mapping.

Files containing terminal information.

Related reference

[.3270keys File Format for TCP/IP](#)

Related information

[telnet, tn, or tn3270 command](#)

[Changing the assignment of a key set](#)

Maxuuscheds File Format for BNU

Purpose

Limits the number of instances of the **uusched** and **uucico** daemons that can run simultaneously.

Description

The **/etc/uucp/Maxuuscheds** file limits the number of instances of the Basic Networking Utilities (BNU) **uusched** daemons that can run simultaneously. Since each instance of the **uusched** daemon is associated with one instance of the **uucico** daemon, the file limits the instances of the **uucico** daemon in a similar way. This file is used in conjunction with the lock files in the **/etc/locks** directory to determine the number of systems currently being polled. Use this file to help manage system resources and load averages.

The **Maxuuscheds** file contains an ASCII number that can be changed for your installation. The default is 2. The larger the number, the greater the potential load on the local system. In any case, the limit should always be less than the number of outgoing lines used by BNU.

The **Maxuuscheds** file requires neither configuration nor maintenance, unless the system on which it is installed is contacted frequently and heavily by users on remote systems.

Files

Item	Description
/etc/locks directory	Contains lock files that prevent multiple uses of devices and multiple calls to systems.
/etc/uucp directory	Contains some of the configuration files for BNU, including the Maxuuscheds file.

Related information

[uucico command](#)

[Configuring BNU](#)

[Understanding the BNU File and Directory Structure](#)

Maxuuxqts File Format for BNU

Purpose

Limits the number of instances of the BNU **uuxqt** daemon that can run simultaneously on the local system.

Description

The [/etc/uucp/Maxuuxqts](#) file limits both the number of instances of the Basic Networking Utilities (BNU) **uuxqt** daemon that can run simultaneously on the local system and the number of commands from remote systems that can run at one time.

This file contains an ASCII number that can be changed for your installation. The default value is 2. The larger the number, the greater the potential load on the local system.

The **Maxuuxqts** file requires neither configuration nor maintenance, unless the system on which it is installed is used frequently and heavily by users on remote systems.

Files

Item	Description
/etc/uucp directory	Contains some of the configuration files for BNU, including the Maxuuxqts file.

Related information

[uuxqt command](#)

[Configuring BNU](#)

[Understanding the BNU File and Directory Structure](#)

.mh_alias File Format

Purpose

Defines aliases.

Description

An alias file contains lines that associate an alias name with an address or group of addresses. The Message Handler (MH) package reads both personal alias files (customarily the **\$HOME/.mh_alias** file) and a systemwide alias file, the **/etc/mh/MailAliases** file. Depending on the MH configuration, aliases may also be defined in the **/etc/aliases** file (see the [sendmail](#) command).

The alias file name is an argument to several MH commands. These commands can be set automatically by entries in the **.mh_profile** file. Personal alias files can have any name, but must follow the format described here. The **/etc/mh/MailAliases** file is the default alias file for systemwide aliases. This file is set up by a user with root user authority.

Specify your personal alias file in your **.mh_profile** file. Otherwise, you must use the **-alias** flag each time you use an MH command that requires this flag.

Each line of an **.mh_alias** file has one of the following formats:

- *Alias : Address-Group*
- *Alias ; Address-Group*
- *<Alias-File*

The variables are described as follows:

Item	Description
<i>Alias</i>	Specifies a simple address.
<i>Address</i>	Specifies a simple Internet-style address.
<i>Group</i>	Specifies a group name (or number) from the /etc/group file.
<i>Alias-File</i>	Specifies a system file name. The MH package treats alias file names as case-sensitive. Alias expansion is case-sensitive as well.

The *Address-Group* variable can be either of the following:

Item	Description
<i>AddressList</i>	List of addresses that make up a group.
<i><Alias-File</i>	System file to be read for more alias definitions.

The addresses in the *AddressList* variable must be separated by commas.

Note: If there are references to aliases within an alias definition, those aliases must be defined in a following line of the alias file.

Special Characters

Item	Description
<i>\</i> (backslash)	You can continue an alias definition on the next line by ending the line to be continued with a <i>\</i> (backslash) followed by a new-line character.
<i><</i> (less than)	<p>If a line starts with a <i><</i> (less-than sign), MH reads the file specified after the less-than sign for more alias definitions. The reading is done recursively.</p> <p>If an address group starts with a <i><</i> (less-than sign), MH reads the file specified after the less-than sign and adds the contents of that file to the address list for the alias.</p>
<i>=</i> (equal)	If an address group starts with an <i>=</i> (equal sign), MH consults the /etc/group file for the group specified after an equal sign. The MH package adds each login name occurring as a member of the group to the address list for the alias.

Item	Description
+ (plus)	If an address group starts with a + (plus sign), MH consults the /etc/group file to determine the ID of the group. Each login name appearing in the /etc/passwd file that matches the address group is added to the address list for the alias.
* (asterisk)	If an address group is defined by an * (asterisk), MH consults the /etc/passwd file and adds all login names with a user number greater than 200 (or the value set for everyone in the /etc/mh/mtstailor file) to the address list for the alias.

The following list explains how the system resolves aliases at posting time:

1. The system builds a list of all addresses from the message to be delivered, eliminating duplicate addresses.
2. If the draft originated on the local host, the system performs alias resolution for addresses that have no specified host.
3. For each line in the alias file, the system compares the alias with all existing addresses. If a match is found, the system removes the matched alias from the address list. The system then adds each new address in the address group to the address list. The alias itself is not usually output. Instead, the address group to which the alias maps is output. If the alias is terminated with a ; (semicolon) instead of a : (colon), both the alias and the address are output in the correct form. (This correct form makes replies possible since MH aliases and personal aliases are unknown to the mail transport system.)

In pattern matching, a trailing * (asterisk) in an alias matches just about anything appropriate.

Examples

The following example of an **.mh_alias** file illustrates some of its features:

```
</home/sarah/morealiases
systems:= systems
staff:+ staff
everyone:**
manager: harold@harold
project:lance,mark@remote,peter,manager
```

The first line says that more aliases should be read from the **/home/sarah/morealiases** file. The **systems** alias is defined as all users listed as members of the group **systems** in the **/etc/group** file. The **staff** alias is defined as all users whose group ID in the **/etc/passwd** file is equivalent to the **staff** group. Finally, the **everyone** alias is defined as all users with a user ID in the **/etc/passwd** file greater than 200.

The **manager** alias is defined as an alias for user **harold@harold**. The **project** alias is defined as the users **lance**, **mark@remote**, **peter**, and **manager**.

Files

Item	Description
/etc/aliases	Contains systemwide aliases for the sendmail command.
/etc/group	Contains basic group attributes.
/etc/passwd	Contains user authentication information.
/etc/mh/MailAliases	Contains the defaults alias file for systemwide aliases, which is set up by a user with root user authority.
/etc/mh/mtstailor	Tailors the Message Handler (MH) environment to the local environment.

Item	Description
.mh_profile	Customizes the Message Handler (MH) package.

Related reference

[aliases File for Mail](#)

[/etc/group File](#)

[/etc/passwd File](#)

[.mh_profile File](#)

Related information

[ali command](#)

[sendmail command](#)

mib.defs File Format

Purpose

Provides descriptions of Management Information Base (MIB) variables for the **snmpinfo** command.

Description

The **mib.defs** file provides object descriptions of MIB variables for the **snmpinfo** command issued with the **get**, **next**, **set**, and **dump** options. See the [snmpinfo](#) command for more information. This command is part of Simple Network Management Protocol Agent Applications in Network Support Facilities.

The **mib.defs** file is not intended to be edited by the user. The file should be created with the **mosy** command. See the [mosy](#) command for information on how to create the **mib.defs** file. This file has the following format:

The MIB group fields are separated by spaces or tabs and contain the following information:

Item	Description
<i>GroupDescriptor</i>	Holds the textual name of the MIB group.
<i>GroupEntry</i>	Denotes the parent MIB group and the location of this MIB group in the parent group. This field is used by the snmpinfo command to resolve the ASN.1 dotted notation for MIB variables under this group.

The MIB groups are defined as follows:

Group Descriptor	Group Entry
internet	iso.3.6.1
directory	internet.1
mgmt	internet.2
.	.
.	.
.	.
mib-2	mgmt.1
system	mib-2.1
.	.
.	.

The object definitions of MIB variables are formatted as follows:

Object Descriptor	Group Entry	Syntax	Access	Status
sysDescr	system.1	DisplayString	read-only	mandatory

The MIB variable fields are separated by spaces or tabs, and contain the following information:

Item	Description
<i>ObjectDescriptor</i>	Holds the textual name of the object.
<i>GroupEntry</i>	Denotes the MIB object group and the location of this MIB variable in this group. This field is used by the snmpinfo command to resolve the ASN.1 dotted notation for this MIB variable.
<i>Syntax</i>	Denotes the type of the object as one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • INTEGER • OCTET STRING or DisplayString • OBJECT IDENTIFIER • Network Address • Counter • Gauge • TimeTicks • Opaque
<i>Access</i>	Designates the access permissions for the object and can be one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Read-only • Read-write • Write-only • Not-accessible
<i>Status</i>	Designates the RFC 1213 compliance status of the object and can be one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mandatory • Optional • Deprecated • Obsolete

The parent MIB group definition required for a particular MIB variable *GroupEntry* definition must precede the object definition for the MIB variable.

Comments begin with a # (pound sign) or - - (two dashes) and continue to the end of the line.

Files

Item	Description
<u>/usr/samples/snmpd/smi.my</u>	Defines the ASN.1 definitions by which the SMI is defined as in RFC 1155.
<u>/usr/samples/snmpd/mibII.my</u>	Defines the ASN.1 definitions for the MIB II variables as defined in RFC 1213.

Related information

[mosy command](#)

[snmpinfo command](#)

[Understanding the Management Information Base \(MIB\)](#)

named.conf File Format for TCP/IP

Purpose

Defines the configuration and behavior of the **named** daemon.

Description

The **/etc/named.conf** file is the default configuration file for the **named8** and **named9** server. If the **named** daemon is started without specifying an alternate file, the **named** daemon reads this file for information on how to set up the local name server.

The format of the **named.conf** file is different depending on which version of the **named** server is configured. The file format information for both **named8** and **named9** can be found below.

Note: The **named** daemon reads the configuration file only when the **named** daemon starts, or when the **named** daemon receives an SRC **refresh** command or a **SIGHUP** signal.

The data in the **named.conf** file specifies general configuration characteristics for the name server, defines each zone for which the name server is responsible (its zones of authority), and provides further config information per zone, possibly including the source DOMAIN database file for the zone.

Any database files referenced in the **named.conf** file must be in the Standard Resource Record Format. These data files can have any name and any directory path. However, for convenience in maintaining the **named** database, they are given names in the following form: **/etc/named.extension**. The general format of **named** data files is described in [DOMAIN Data File](#), [DOMAIN Reverse Data File](#), [DOMAIN Cache File](#), and [DOMAIN Local File](#).

Format of the named.conf file when configuring named8

General

Comments in the **named.conf** file can begin with a # (pound sign) or // (two forward slashes), or can be enclosed in the C-style comment characters, for example, **/* comment text */**.

Configuration options are lines of text beginning with a keyword, possibly including some option text or a list, and ending in a ; (semicolon).

The **named.conf** file is organized into stanzas. Each stanza is an enclosed set of configuration options that define either general characteristics of the daemon or a zone configuration. Certain stanza definitions are allowed only at the top level, therefore nesting these stanzas is not allowed. The current top-level configuration stanza keywords are: [acl](#), [key](#), [logging](#), [options](#), [server](#), and [zone](#).

Further configuration information can be incorporated through the **include** keyword into the **conf** file. This keyword directs the daemon to insert the contents of the indicated file into the current position of the **include** directive.

Access Control List (ACL) Definition

```
acl acl-name {  
    access-element;  
    [ access-element; ... ]  
};
```

Defines an access control list to be referenced throughout the configuration file by *acl-name*. Multiple *acl* definitions can exist within one configuration file if each *acl-name* is unique. Additionally, four default access control lists are defined:

- **any** Any host is allowed.
- **none** No host is allowed.
- **localhost** Only the localhost is allowed.
- **localnets** Only hosts on a network matching a name server interface is allowed.

Option	Values	Explanation
<i>access-element</i>	IP-address IP-prefix acl-reference	<p>Defines a source as allowed or disallowed. Multiple <i>access-elements</i> are allowed inside the acl stanza.</p> <p>Each element can be an IP address in dot notation (for example, 9.3.149.66) an IP prefix in CIDR or slash notation (for example, 9.3.149/24) or a reference to another access control list (for example, localhost).</p> <p>Additionally, each element indicates whether the element is allowed or disallowed access through an ! (exclamation point) modifier prepended to the element.</p> <p>For example:</p> <pre>acl hostlist1 { !9.53.150.239; 9.3.149/24; };</pre> <p>When the access control list “hostlist1” is referenced in the configuration, it implies to allow access from any host whose IP address begins with 9.3.149 and to disallow access from the internet host 9.53.150.239.</p>

Key Definition

```
key key-name {
    algorithm alg-id;
    secret secret-string;
};
```

Defines an algorithm and shared secret key to be referenced in a server stanza and used for authentication by that name server. This feature is included for future use and is currently unused in the name server.

Option	Values	Explanation
algorithm	<i>alg-id</i> string	A quoted-string that defines the type of security algorithm that is used when interpreting the secret string. None are defined at this time.
secret	<i>secret-string</i> string	A quoted-string that is used by the algorithm to authenticate the host.

Logging Configuration

```
logging {
    [ channel channel-name {
        ( file file-name
          [ versions ( num-vers | unlimited ) ]
          [ size size-value ]
        | syslog ( kern | user | mail | daemon |
                  syslog | lpr | news | uucp )
        | null );
        [ print-category ( yes | no ); ]
        [ print-severity ( yes | no ); ]
        [ print-time ( yes | no ); ]
      }; ... ]
    [ category category-name {
        channel-reference;
        [ channel-reference; ... ]
      }; ... ]
};
```

In this newest version of the name server, the logging facility has been greatly improved to allow for much reconfiguration of the default logging mechanism. The **logging** stanza is used to define logging output channels and to associate the predefined logging categories with either the predefined or user-defined logging output channels.

When no logging stanza is included in the conf file, the name server still logs messages and errors just as it has in previous releases. Informational and some critical messages are logged through the syslog daemon facility, and debug and other esoteric information are logged to the **named.run** file when the global debug level (set with the -d command-line option) is non-zero.

Option	Values	Explanation
channel		<p>Defines an output channel to be referenced later by the <i>channel-name</i> identifier. An output channel specifies a destination for output messages to be sent as well as some formatting information to be used when writing the output message. More than one output channel can be defined if each <i>channel-identifier</i> is unique. Also, each output channel can be referenced from multiple logging categories.</p> <p>There are four predefined output channels:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • default_syslog sends “info” and higher severity messages to syslog's “daemon” facility • default_debug writes debug messages to the named.run file as specified by the global debug level • default_stderr writes “info” and higher severity messages to stderr • null discards all messages
file	<i>file-name</i> string	<p>Defines an output channel as one that logs messages to an output file. The file used for output is specified with the <i>file-name</i> string. Additionally, the file option allows controlling the number of versions of the output file that should be kept, and the size limit that the output file should not exceed.</p> <p>The file, syslog, and null output paths are mutually exclusive.</p>

Option	Values	Explanation
versions	<i>num-versions</i> unlimited	Specifies the number of old output files that should be kept. When an output file is reopened, rather than replacing a possible existing output file, the existing output file is saved as an old output file with a <i>.value</i> extension. Using the <i>num-versions</i> value, one can limit the number of old output files to be kept. However, specifying the <i>unlimited</i> keyword indicates to continually accumulate old output file versions. By default, no old versions of any log file are kept.
size	<i>size-value</i>	<p>Specifies the maximum size of the log file used by this channel. By default, the size is unlimited. However, when a size is configured, once <i>size-value</i> bytes are written to the file, nothing more is written until the file is reopened.</p> <p>Accepted values for <i>size-value</i> include the word “unlimited” and numbers with k, m, or g modifiers specifying kilobytes, megabytes, and gigabytes respectively. For example, 1000k and 1m indicate one thousand kilobytes and one megabyte respectively.</p>

Option	Values	Explanation
syslog	kern user mail daemon auth syslog lpr news uucp	<p>Defines an output channel as one that redirects its messages to the syslog service. The supported value keywords correspond to facilities logged by the syslog service.</p> <p>Ultimately, the syslog service defines which received messages are logged through the service, therefore, if defining a channel to redirect its messages to the syslog service's user facility would not result in any visibly logged messages if the syslog service is not configured to output messages from this facility.</p> <p>For more information concerning the syslog service, see the syslogd daemon.</p> <p>The file, syslog, and null output paths are mutually exclusive.</p>
null		<p>Defines an output channel through which all messages are discarded. All other output channel options are invalid for an output channel whose output path is null.</p>

Option	Values	Explanation
severity	critical error warning notice info debug [<i>level</i>] dynamic	<p>Sets a threshold of message severities to be logged through the output channel. While these severity definitions are like those used by the syslog service, for the name server they also control output through file path channels. Messages must meet or exceed the severity level to be logged through the output channel. The dynamic severity specifies that the name server's global debug level (specified when the daemon is invoked with the -d flag) controls which messages pass through the output channel.</p> <p>Also, the debug severity can specify a <i>level</i> modifier which is an upper threshold for debug messages whenever the name server has debugging enabled at any level. A lower debug level indicates less information is to be logged through the channel. It is not necessary for the global debug level to meet or exceed the debug <i>level</i> value.</p> <p>If used with the syslog output path, the syslog facility ultimately controls what severities are logged through the syslog service. For example, if the syslog service is configured to only log daemon.info messages, and the name server is configured to channel all debug messages to the syslog service, the syslog service filters the messages from its output path.</p>

Option	Values	Explanation
print-category print-severity print-time	yes no	<p>Controls the format of the output message when it is sent through the output path. Regardless of which, how many, or in which order these options are listed inside the channel stanza, the message is prepended with the text in a time, category, severity order.</p> <p>The following is an example of a message with all three print-options enabled:</p> <pre>28-Apr-1997 15:05:32.863 default: notice: Ready to answer queries.</pre> <p>By default, no extra text is prepended to an output message.</p> <p>Note that when the syslog service logs messages, it also prepends the date and time information to the text of the message. Thus, enabling print-time on a channel that uses the syslog output path would result in the syslog service logging a message with two dates prepended to it.</p>
category		<p>The category keyword defines a stanza which associates a logging or messaging category with predefined or user-defined output channels.</p> <p>By default, the following categories are defined:</p> <pre>category default { default_syslog; default_debug; }; category panic { default_syslog; default_debug; };</pre>

Option	Values	Explanation
<i>category-name</i>	default config parser queries lame-servers statistics panic update ncache xfer-in xfer-out db event-lib packet notify cname security os insist maintenance load response-checks	<p>The <i>category-name</i> specifies which logging category is to be associated with the listed <i>channel-references</i>. This results in any output text generated by the name server daemon for that logging category to be redirected through each of the <i>channel-references</i> listed.</p> <p>The default category defines all messages that are not listed in one of the specific categories listed. Also, the <i>insist</i> and <i>panic</i> categories are associated with messages that define a fatal inconsistency in the name server's state. The remaining categories define messages that are generated when handling specific functions of the name server. For example, the <i>update</i> category is used when logging errors or messages specific to the handling of a dynamic zone update, and the <i>parser</i> category is used when logging errors or messages during the parsing of the conf file.</p>
<i>channel-reference</i>		References a <i>channel-name</i> identifier defined previously in the logging configuration stanza. Therefore, every message associated with the defined <i>category-name</i> is logged through each of the defined <i>channel-references</i> .

Global Options

```

options {
    [ directory path-string; ]
    [ named-xfer path-string; ]
    [ dump-file path-string; ]
    [ pid-file path-string; ]
    [ statistics-file path-string; ]
    [ auth-nxdomain ( yes | no ); ]
    [ fake-iquery ( yes | no ); ]
    [ fetch-glue ( yes | no ); ]
    [ multiple-cnames ( yes | no ); ]
    [ notify ( yes | no ); ]
    [ recursion ( yes | no ); ]
    [ forward ( only | first ); ]
    [ forwarders { ipaddr; [...] }; ]
    [ check-names
      ( master|slave|response )
      ( warn|fail|ignore ); ]
    [ allow-query { access-element; [...] }; ]
    [ allow-transfer { access-element; [...] }; ]
    [ listen-on [ port port-num ] { access-element; [...] }; ... ]
    [ query-source [ address ( ipaddr|* ) ] [ port ( port|* ) ]; ]
    [ max-transfer-time-in seconds; ]

```

```
[ transfer-format ( one-answer | many-answers ); ]
[ transfers-in value; ]
[ transfers-out value; ]
[ transfers-per-ns value; ]
[ coresize size-value; ]
[ datasize size-value; ]
[ files size-value; ]
[ stacksize size-value; ]
[ clean-interval value; ]
[ interface-interval value; ]
[ statistics-interval value; ]
[ topology { access-element; [...] }; ]
};
```

Defines many globally available options to modify basic characteristics of the name server.

Because some of the options in this configuration stanza may modify the behavior in how the **named** daemon reads and interprets later sections of the named file, it is highly recommended that the **options** stanza be the first stanza listed in the configuration file.

Option	Values	Default
directory Indicates the directory from which all relative paths are anchored. The <i>path-string</i> parameter must be a quoted string. For example, to indicate that all zone files exist in the “/usr/local/named/data” without listing each file in the zone definitions, specify the global option directory as: options { directory “/usr/local/named/data”; };	<i>path-string</i>	“.”
named-xfer Specifies the path and executable name of the named-xfer command used for inbound zone transfers. The <i>path-string</i> parameter must be a quoted string.	<i>path-string</i>	“/usr/sbin/named-xfer”
dump-file Specifies a filename to which the database in the memory is dumped whenever the named daemon receives a SIGINT signal.	<i>path-string</i>	“/usr/tmp/named_dump.db”
pid-file Specifies the file in which the named daemon writes its PID value.	<i>path-string</i>	“/etc/named.pid”
statistics-file Specifies the file to which the name server appends operating statistics when it receives the SIGILL signal.	<i>path-string</i>	“/usr/tmp/named.stats”
auth-nxdomain Controls whether the server should respond authoritatively when returning an NXDOMAIN response.	yes no	yes
fake-iquery Controls whether the server should respond to obsolete IQUERY requests.	yes no	no

Option	Values	Default
fetch-glue Controls whether the server should search for “glue” records to include in the additional section of a query response.	yes no	yes
multiple-cnames Controls whether the server will allow multiple CNAME records for one domain name in any of its zone databases. This practice is discouraged but an option remains for backwards compatibility.	yes no	no
notify Controls whether the name server will send NOTIFY messages to its worker servers upon realization of zone changes. Because the worker servers almost immediately respond to the NOTIFY message with a request for zone transfer, this limits the amount of time that the databases are out of synchronization in the controller and worker relationship.	yes no	yes
recursion Controls whether the server will attempt to resolve names outside of its domains on behalf of the client. If set to no, the name server returns a referral to the client in order for the client to continue searching for the name. Used with the <code>fetch-glue</code> option, one can contain the amount of data that grows in the memory cache of the name server.	yes no	yes
forward Controls how forwarding is used when forwarding is enabled. When set to <code>first</code> , the name server attempts to search for a name whenever the forwarded host does not provide an answer. However, when set to <code>only</code> , the name server does not attempt this extra work.	only first	first
forwarders Enables the use of query forwarding when defining a Forwarding Name Server. The <i>ipaddr</i> parameter list specifies the hosts to which the query should be forwarded when it cannot be resolved from the local database. Each <i>ipaddr</i> is an internet address in standard dot notation.	<i>ipaddr</i>	(empty list)

Option	Values	Default
check-names Controls how the name server handles non-RFC compliant host names and domain names through each of its operation domains. The <code>master</code> keyword specifies how to handle malformed names in a master zone file. The <code>slave</code> keyword specifies how to handle malformed names received from a controller server. The <code>response</code> keyword specifies how to handle malformed names received in response to a query. <code>ignore</code> directs the server to ignore any malformed names and continue normal processing. <code>warn</code> directs the server to warn the administrator through logging, but to continue normal processing. <code>fail</code> directs the server to reject the name entirely. For the responses to queries, this implies that the server will return a REFUSED message to the original query host.	master ignore master warn master fail slave ignore slave warn slave fail response ignore response warn response fail	master fail slave warn response ignore

Option	Values	Default
allow-query Limits the range of querying hosts allowed to access the system. Each <i>access-element</i> is specified in the same manner as in the acl stanza defined earlier.	<i>access-element</i>	any
allow-transfer Limits the range of querying hosts that are requesting zone transfers. Each <i>access-element</i> is specified in the same manner as in the acl stanza defined earlier.	<i>access-element</i>	any
listen-on Limits the interfaces available to the name server daemon and controls which port to use to listen for queries. By default, the name server uses all interfaces on the system and listens on port 53. Additionally, multiple <code>listen-on</code> definitions are allowed within the options stanza. Each access element is specified in the same manner as in the <code>acl</code> stanza defined earlier. The following example limits the name server to using only the interface with address 9.53.150.239: <code>listen-on port 53 { 9.53.150.239; };</code>	port <i>port-num</i> <i>access-element</i>	port 53 { localhost; }
query-source Modifies the default address and port from which queries will originate.	address <i>ipaddr</i> address * port <i>port</i> port *	address * port *

Option	Values	Default
max-transfer-time-in Specifies the maximum amount of time an inbound zone transfer is allowed to run before it is aborted. This is used to control an event in which a child process of the name server does not execute or terminate properly.	<i>seconds</i>	120
transfer-format Controls the method in which full zone transfers are sent to requestors. The one-answer method uses one packet per zone resource record while many-answers inserts as many resource records into one packet as possible. While the many-answers method is more efficient, it is only understood by the newest revisions of the name server. This option can be overridden in the server stanza to specify the method on a per name server basis.	one-answer many-answers	many-answers
transfers-in Specifies the maximum number of concurrent inbound zone transfers. While this limits the amount of time each slave zone is out of synchronization with the controller's database, because each inbound transfer runs in a separate child process, increasing the <i>value</i> may also increase the load on the worker server.	<i>value</i>	10
transfers-out Specifies the maximum number of concurrent outbound zone transfers for the name server. This option is currently unused in the server, but will be available at a later time.	<i>value</i>	N/A
transfers-per-ns Specifies the maximum amount of concurrent zone transfers from a specific remote name server. While this limits the amount of time each slave zone is out of synchronization with the controller's database, increasing this value may increase the load on the remote controller server.	<i>value</i>	2
coresize Configures some process-specific values for the daemon. The default values or those inherited by the system and by the system's resources. Each <i>size-value</i> can be specified as a number or as a number followed by the k, m, and g modifiers indicating kilobytes, megabytes, and gigabytes respectively.	<i>size-value</i>	default
datasize See coresize .	<i>size-value</i>	default

Option	Values	Default
files See <code>coresize</code> .	<i>value</i>	unlimited
stacksize See <code>coresize</code> .	<i>size-value</i>	default
clean-interval Controls the intervals for the periodic maintenance tasks of the name server. The <code>clean-interval</code> specifies how frequently the server removes expired resource records from the cache. The <code>interface-interval</code> specifies how frequently the server rescans for interfaces in the system. The <code>statistics-interval</code> specifies how frequently the name server will output statistics data. A <i>minutes</i> value of zero indicates that the service task should only run when the configuration file is reread.	<i>minutes</i>	60
interface-interval See <code>clean-interval</code> .	<i>minutes</i>	60
statistics-interval See <code>clean-interval</code> .	<i>minutes</i>	60
cleandb-time Specifies a time of day in which the database is scanned and any dynamic records whose set of SIG resource records are all expired are removed. For a dynamic zone which has update-security set to presecured, only the expired SIG KEY remains. The default is to never perform this scan. Instead, the expired records remain until the name is queried. <i>time</i> is specified as HH:MM in a 24-hour format.	<i>time</i>	N/A
topology Specifies a search order to use to find a preference in a list of addresses corresponding to a name server. Whenever a query is forwarded or a query must be made to another name server, it may be necessary to choose an address from a list of available addresses. Each <i>access-element</i> , while seemingly similar to those specified in an <code>acl</code> stanza, is interpreted by its position in the list. The first elements in the list are preferred more than those following them. Negated elements (those specified with the ! (exclamation point) modifier) are considered least desirable.	<i>access-element</i>	localhost; localnets;

Server Specific Options

```
server ipaddr
{
    [ bogus ( yes | no ); ]
    [ transfers value; ]
}
[ transfer-format ( one-answer |
many-answers ); ]
}
```

Modifies the behavior in which the remote name server matching the specified *ipaddr* IP address should be treated.

Option	Values	Explanation
bogus	yes no	Indicates that the name server identified by the stanza should not be used again. The default value is no.
transfers	<i>value</i>	Overrides the globally available option <code>transfers-per-ns</code> . Specifies a maximum value for the number of concurrent inbound zone transfers from the foreign name server identified by the stanza.
transfer-format	one-answer many-answers	Overrides the globally available option transfer-format to a specific value for the specified server. The transfer-format option indicates to the name server how to form its outbound full zone transfers. By default, the value is inherited from the options stanza (where it defaults to <code>many-answers</code>). <code>one-answer</code> specifies that only one resource record can be sent per packet during the zone transfer, whereas <code>many-answers</code> indicates to entirely fill the outbound packet with resource records. The <code>many-answers</code> format is only available in the newest revisions of the name server.

Zone Definition

```
zone domain-string [ class ] {
    type ( hint | stub | slave | master );
    [ file path-string; ]
    [ masters { ipaddr; [...] }; ]
    [ check-names ( warn | fail | ignore ); ]
    [ allow-update { access-element; [...] }; ]
    [ update-security ( unsecured | presecured | controlled ); ]
    [ allow-query { access-element; [...] }; ]
    [ allow-transfer { access-element; [...] }; ]
    [ max-transfer-time-in seconds; ]
    [ notify ( yes | no ); ]
    [ also-notify { ipaddr; [...] }; ]
    [ dont-notify { ipaddr; [...] }; ]
}
```

```
[ notify-delaytime seconds; ]
[ notify-retrytime seconds; ]
[ notify-retrycount value; ]
[ dump-interval seconds; ]
[ incr-interval seconds; ]
[ deferupdcnt value; ]
[ key-xfer ( yes | no ); ]
[ timesync ( yes | no ); ]
[ timesync-xfer ( yes | no ); ]
[ save-backups ( yes | no ); ]
[ ixfr-directory path-string; ]
[ separate-dynamic ( yes | no ); ]
};
```

The zone stanza is used to define a zone, its type, possible location of data, and operating parameters. The *domain-string* is a quoted string specifying the zone, where “.” is used to specify the root zone. The *class* parameter specifies the *class* of the zone as either in, hs, hesiod, or chaos. By default, the *class* is assumed to be IN.

Option and Description	Values	Default
type Defines the type of the zone. <i>hint</i> zones, previously regarded as cache zones, only describe a source for information not contained in the other defined zones. A <i>stub</i> zone is one similar to a <i>slave</i> zone. While the <i>slave</i> zone replicates the entire database of its controller, the <i>stub</i> zone only replicates the NS resource records. The <i>master</i> zone maintains a database on disk. Based upon the selection of zone type, some of the other options are required while others may be impertinent. Zones of type <i>hint</i> and <i>master</i> require the <i>file</i> option, while zones of type <i>slave</i> and <i>stub</i> require the <i>masters</i> option. Additionally, the only other option available to a <i>hint</i> zone is the <i>check-names</i> option.	hint stub slave master	N/A
file Specifies the location for the source of data specific to the zone. This parameter is only optional for <i>stub</i> and <i>slave</i> zones, where its inclusion indicates that a locally saved copy of the remote zone can be kept. The <i>path-string</i> parameter is a quoted string which can specify the file name either non-relative or relative to the <i>options</i> stanza's <i>directory</i> . If the path is intended to be specified relative to the server root, the <i>options</i> stanza must be specified before the zone stanza.	<i>path-string</i>	N/A
masters Specifies a list of sources that are referenced for a <i>slave</i> or <i>stub</i> zone to retrieve its data. This option is not valid for any other type of zone, and must be included for either of these two types.	<i>ipaddr</i>	N/A

Option and Description	Values	Default
check-names Overrides the check-names option in the global options stanza. The default value is inherited from the options stanza, where its default is fail for master zones and warn for slave zones.	warn fail ignore	
allow-update Indicates from what source addresses a zone accepts dynamic updates. <i>access-elements</i> are specified in the same manner as they are for the acl stanza. Because of the inherent insecurity of a dynamic update, this value defaults to none. If no update-security is specified, dynamic updates should be limited to a specific set of secured machines.	<i>access-element</i>	none
update-security Valid only when the allow-update option specifies at least one source address, update-security defines what type of secured update mechanism the zone uses. The current zone update security method is a non-standard two-key method, but is compatible with previous releases of the name server. presecured indicates that a zone only accepts updates for which names and resource records exist, unless the update is signed by the authorizing key of the zone. Normally, this means that the zone must be prepopulated with the names and records it is to maintain. controlled specifies a zone in which names can be added to the database without the signature of the zone's authorizing key, but existing records cannot be modified without being signed by the KEY resource record's corresponding private key. Note that a proper presecured or controlled zone must contain a zone KEY resource record. See the TCP/IP name resolution for more information regarding zone update security.	unsecured presecured controlled	unsecured
allow-query Overrides the globally available option allow-query. This option's default is inherited from the global options stanza, where its default is any.	<i>access-element</i>	NA
allow-transfer Overrides the globally available option allow-transfer. This option's default is inherited from the global options stanza, where its default is any.	<i>access-element</i>	NA

Option and Description	Values	Default
max-transfer-time-in Overrides the globally available option <code>max-transfer-time-in</code> . This option's default is inherited from the global options stanza, where its default is 120.	<i>seconds</i>	
notify Overrides the globally available option <code>notify</code> . This option's default is inherited from the global options stanza, where its default is yes.	yes no	
also-notify The default NOTIFY mechanism notifies worker servers of a change in the DOMAIN database in order to limit the amount of time that the worker server retains a zone out of synchronization with the controller server. The <code>also-notify</code> option allows for the addition of addresses to submit the notifications.	<i>ipaddr</i>	N/A
dont-notify Specifies a list of IP addresses to be removed from the default list of NOTIFY recipients. This option is useful if a name server is known to be problematic when receiving NOTIFY requests.	<i>ipaddr</i>	N/A
notify-delaytime Specifies an estimated time of delay between notifications to multiple name servers. Because the receipt of a NOTIFY message usually triggers the prompt request for a zone transfer, this option can tune to latency in which each server responds with the request for the modified zone. The real value used is randomized between the specified number of <i>seconds</i> and twice this value.	<i>seconds</i>	30
notify-retrytime Specifies the number of <i>seconds</i> in which the name server waits to retransmit a NOTIFY message which has gone unresponded.	<i>seconds</i>	60
notify-retrycount Specifies the maximum number of tries that the name server attempts to send unanswered NOTIFY messages to other name servers.	<i>value</i>	3

Option and Description	Values	Default
dump-interval Specifies an interval in which the name server rewrites a dynamic zone to the zone file. In the interim, all updates and other transactions are logged in the transaction log file for performance reasons. Aside from this periodic zone dump, the transaction log file is only discarded and the zone is only dumped when the name server is properly shut down. This option is only valid for zones in which the allow-update option specifies at least one valid accessor. Note: The transaction log file name is the zone file name with an appended “.log” extension.	seconds	3600
incr-interval Specifies an interval in which the name server accepts dynamic updates while not increasing the zone's SOA record's serial level. Because a change in the zone SOA record instantiates a NOTIFY message, limiting this occurrence limits the amount of zone transfer requests at the expense of minimal zone differences between a dynamic controller server and its worker server. This option is only valid for zones in which the allow-update option specifies at least one valid accessor.	seconds	300
deferupdcnt Specifies a threshold value for the number of properly applied updates received during one incr-interval interval. If more than value updates are realized during the interval, the name server modifies the zone SOA serial level and later will NOTIFY each of the worker servers. Use this value to limit the database replication inconsistencies in an environment where dynamic zone updates occur infrequently but in large magnitude. This option is only valid for zones in which the allow-update option specifies at least one valid accessor.	value	100
key-xfer Specifies whether the server should transmit KEY resource records during a zone transfer. In a very controlled environment where KEY queries are only made to the controller name server, setting this option to no saves the zone transfer time and improves performance.	yes no	yes

Option and Description	Values	Default
timesync Specifies that a name server should calculate the true expiration time of a SIG resource record using its own clock rather than relying on the expiration time set by a possible update source. This removes the inconsistencies involved when dynamic zone updaters have their system clocks misaligned from the name server host. Because enabling this option modifies the output and interpretation of a SIG resource record in a DOMAIN database file, disabling this option may be required when manually transferring a DOMAIN database file to another name server.	yes no	yes
timesync-xfer Specifies which SIG resource record expiration time is transferred during a zone transfer. Enabling this option is only valid when the timesync option is enabled.	yes no	yes
ixfr-directory Specifies a directory in which temporary data files are contained for use with this zone. The datafiles contain incremental zone changes and are essential to the proper use of the Incremental Zone Transfer (IXFR) method. Because these files are created and destroyed dynamically by the name server, one should not specify a globally-writable directory. Additionally, the directory specified must be unique from other ixfr-directory options specified in other zones. The default value for this directory is derived from the zone's file name or domain name. By default, a directory is created in an "ixfrdata" directory within the name server's default directory. Contained in this directory will be subdirectory matching the base name of the zone's file name or domain name. It is not necessary to specify this option for the proper behavior of the IXFR feature.	<i>path-string</i>	

Option and Description	Values	Default
save-backups To properly calculate an incremental zone difference between server invocations, it is necessary to determine the zone database differences prior to the shutdown of the server and after the loading of the server. By enabling this option, a backup of the zone file is written and read upon loading of the name server to determine any zone differences. While enabling this option is necessary to use the IXFR transfer method after a stop and restart transition of the name server, it is not necessary to realize incremental zone differences when a zone file is modified and signalled to reload through the SRC refresh command or SIGHUP signal.	yes no	no
separate-dynamic Instructs the name server to retain \$INCLUDE references in a dynamic zone when the DOMAIN database file is written to disk. The behavior of this feature implies that resource records that can be modified through the dynamic update mechanism exist in the DOMAIN database file referenced by the file option, while other resource records that should not be modified through the dynamic update mechanism be contained in files included (through the \$INCLUDE directive) by the DOMAIN database file.	yes no	no

Examples

The following examples show some of the various methods to use to configure a simple **named.conf** file. In these examples, two networks are represented: abc and xyz.

Network abc consists of:

- `gobi.abc`, the controller name server for the abc network, 192.9.201.2
- `mojave.abc`, a host machine, 192.9.201.6
- `sandy.abc`, a worker name server for the abc network and the gateway between abc and xyz, 192.9.201.3

Network xyz consists of:

- `kalahari.xyz`, controller name server for the xyz network, 160.9.201.4
- `lopnor.xyz`, a host machine, 160.9.201.5
- `sahara.xyz`, a host machine and hint name server for the xyz network, 160.9.201.13
- `sandy.xyz`, a worker name server for the xyz network and gateway between abc and xyz, 160.9.201.3

Note: `sandy`, a gateway host, is on both networks and also serves as a worker name server for both domains.

1. The **/etc/named.conf** file for `gobi.abc`, the controller name server for network abc, contains these entries:

```
# # conf file for abc controller server - gobi.abc # server 192.9.201.3 { transfer-format many-answers; };
```

```
zone "abc" in { type master; file "/etc/named.abcddata"; allow-update { localhost; }; };
```

```
zone "201.9.192.in-addr.arpa" in { type master; file "/etc/named.abcrev"; allow-update { localhost; }; };
```

```
zone "0.0.127.in-addr.arpa" in { type master; file "/etc/named.abclocal"; };
```

2. The **/etc/named.conf** file for kalahari.xyz, the controller name server for network xyz, contains these entries:

```
# # conf file for abc controller server - kalahari.xyz # acl xyz-slaves { 160.9.201.3; };
```

```
options { directory "/etc"; allow-transfer { xyz-slaves; localhost; }; };
```

```
zone "xyz" in { type master; file "named.xyzdata"; };
```

```
zone "9.160.in-addr.arpa" in { type master; file "named.xyxrev"; };
```

```
zone "0.0.127.in-addr.arpa" in { type master; file "named.xyzlocal"; };
```

3. The **/etc/named.conf** file for sandy, the controller name server for networks abc and xyz, contains the following entries:

```
# # conf file for worker server for abc and xyz - sandy # options { directory "/etc"; };
```

```
zone "abc" in { type slave; masters { 192.9.201.2; }; file "named.abcddata.bak"; };
```

```
zone "xyz" in { type slave; masters { 160.9.201.4; }; file "named.xyzdata.bak"; };
```

```
zone "201.9.192.in-addr.arpa" in { type slave; masters { 192.9.201.2; }; };
```

```
zone "9.160.in-addr.arpa" in { type slave; masters { 192.9.201.4; }; };
```

```
zone "0.0.127.in-addr.arpa" in { type master; file "named.local"; };
```

4. The **/etc/named.conf** file for sahara, a hint name server for the network xyz, contains the following entries:

```
# # conf file for hint server for xyz - sahara # zone "." in { type hint; file "/etc/named.ca"; };
```

```
zone "0.0.127.in-addr.arpa" in { type master; file "/etc/named.local"; };
```

Format of the named.conf file when configuring named9

General

A BIND 9 configuration consists of statements and comments. Statements end with a semicolon. Statements and comments are the only elements that can appear without enclosing braces. Many statements contain a block of substatements, which are also terminated with a semicolon.

The following statements are supported:

Item	Description
acl	Defines a named IP address matching list, for access control and other uses.
controls	Declares control channels to be used by the rndc utility.
include	Includes a file.

Item	Description
key	Specifies key information for use in authentication and authorization using TSIG.
logging	Specifies what the server logs, and where the log messages are sent.
options	Controls global server configuration options and sets defaults for other statements.
server	Sets certain configuration options on a per-server basis.
trusted-keys	Defines trusted DNSSEC keys.
view	Defines a view.
zone	Defines a zone.

The **logging** and **options** statements may only occur once per configuration.

acl Statement Grammar

```
acl acl-name {
    address_match_list
};
```

acl Statement Definition and Usage

The **acl** statement assigns a symbolic name to an address match list. It gets its name from a primary use of address match lists: Access Control Lists (ACLs).

Note that an address match list's name must be defined with **acl** before it can be used elsewhere; no forward references are allowed.

The following ACLs are built-in:

Item	Description
any	Matches all hosts.
none	Matches no hosts.
localhost	Matches the IPv4 addresses of all network interfaces on the system.
localnets	Matches any host on an IPv4 network for which the system has an interface.

The **localhost** and **localnets** ACLs do not currently support IPv6 (that is, **localhost** does not match the host's IPv6 addresses, and **localnets** does not match the host's attached IPv6 networks) due to the lack of a standard method of determining the complete set of local IPv6 addresses for a host.

controls Statement Grammar

```
controls {
    inet ( ip_addr | * ) [ port ip_port ] allow { address_match_list }
    keys { key_list };
    [ inet ...; ]
};
```

controls Statement Definition and Usage

The **controls** statement declares control channels to be used by system administrators to affect the operation of the local nameserver. These control channels are used by the **rndc** utility to send commands to and retrieve non-DNS results from a nameserver.

An **inet** control channel is a TCP/IP socket accessible to the Internet, created at the specified **ip_port** on the specified **ip_addr**. If no port is specified, port 953 is used by default. "*" cannot be used for **ip_port**.

The ability to issue commands over the control channel is restricted by the **allow** and **keys** clauses. Connections to the control channel are permitted based on the address permissions in **address_match_list**. **key_id** members of the **address_match_list** are ignored, and instead are interpreted independently based the **key_list**. Each **key_id** in the **key_list** is allowed to be used to

authenticate commands and responses given over the control channel by digitally signing each message between the server and a command client. All commands to the control channel must be signed by one of its specified keys to be honored.

If no controls statement is present, **named9** sets up a default control channel listening on the loopback address 127.0.0.1 and its IPv6 counterpart ::1. In this case, and also when the controls statement is present but does not have a keys clause, **named9** attempts to load the command channel key from the **/etc/rndc.key** file in (or whatever **sysconfdir** was specified as when BIND was built). To create a **rndc.key** file, run **rndc-confgen -a**.

The **rndc.key** feature was created to ease the transition of systems from BIND 8, which did not have digital signatures on its command channel messages and thus did not have a keys clause. It makes it possible to use an existing BIND 8 configuration file in BIND 9 unchanged, and still have **rndc** work the same way **ndc** worked in BIND 8, simply by executing the command **rndc-keygen -a** after BIND 9 is installed.

Since the **rndc.key** feature is only intended to allow the backward-compatible usage of BIND 8 configuration files, this feature does not have a high degree of configurability. You cannot easily change the key name or the size of the secret, so you should make a **rndc.conf** with your own key if you wish to change those things. The **rndc.key** file also has its permissions set such that only the owner of the file (the user that named is running as) can access it. If you desire greater flexibility in allowing other users to access **rndc** commands then you need to create an **rndc.conf** and make it group readable by a group that contains the users who should have access. The UNIX control channel type of BIND 8 is not supported in BIND 9. If it is present in the controls statement from a BIND 8 configuration file, it is ignored and a warning is logged.

include Statement Grammar

```
include filename;
```

include Statement Definition and Usage

The **include** statement inserts the specified file at the point that the **include** statement is encountered. The **include** statement facilitates the administration of configuration files by permitting the reading or writing of some things but not others. For example, the statement could include private keys that are readable only by a nameserver.

key Statement Grammar

```
key key_id {
    algorithm string;
    secret string;
};
```

key Statement Definition and Usage

The **key** statement defines a shared secret key for use with TSIG.

The **key** statement can occur at the top level of the configuration file or inside a view statement. Keys defined in top-level **key** statements can be used in all views. Keys intended for use in a controls statement must be defined at the top level.

The *key_id*, also known as the key name, is a domain name uniquely identifying the key. It can be used in a "server" statement to cause requests sent to that server to be signed with this key, or in address match lists to verify that incoming requests have been signed with a key matching this name, algorithm, and secret. The *algorithm_id* is a string that specifies a security/authentication algorithm. The only algorithm currently supported with TSIG authentication is **hmac-md5**. The *secret_string* is the secret to be used by the algorithm, and is treated as a base-64 encoded string.

logging Statement Grammar

```
logging {
    [ channel channel_name {
        ( file path name
          [ versions ( number | unlimited ) ]
```

```

        [ size size spec ]
        | syslog syslog_facility
        | stderr
        | null );
    [ severity (critical | error | warning | notice |
               info | debug [ level ] | dynamic ); ]
    [ print-category yes or no; ]
    [ print-severity yes or no; ]
    [ print-time yes or no; ]
}; ]
[ category category_name {
  channel_name ; [ channel_name ; ... ]
}; ]
...
};

```

logging Statement Definition and Usage

The **logging** statement configures a wide variety of logging options for the nameserver. Its **channel** phrase associates output methods, format options, and severity levels with a name that can then be used with the **category** phrase to select how various classes of messages are logged.

Only one **logging** statement is used to define as many channels and categories as are wanted. If there is no **logging** statement, the logging configuration will be:

```

logging {
    category "unmatched" { "null"; };
    category "default" { "default_syslog"; "default_debug"; };
};

```

In BIND 9, the logging configuration is only established when the entire configuration file has been parsed. In BIND 8, it was established as soon as the **logging** statement was parsed. When the server is starting up, all logging messages regarding syntax errors in the configuration file go to the default channels, or to standard error if the **-g** option was specified.

The channel Phrase

All log output goes to one or more channels; you can make as many of them as you want.

Every channel definition must include a destination clause that says whether messages selected for the channel go to a file, to a particular **syslog** facility, to the standard error stream, or are discarded. It can optionally also limit the message severity level that is accepted by the channel (the default is info), and whether to include a named-generated time stamp, the category name and/or severity level (the default is not to include any).

The **null** destination clause causes all messages sent to the channel to be discarded; in that case, other options for the channel are meaningless.

The **file** destination clause directs the channel to a disk file. It can include limitations both on how large the file is allowed to become, and how many versions of the file are saved each time the file is opened.

If you use the **versions** log file option, then **named9** retains that many backup versions of the file by renaming them when opening. For example, if you choose to keep 3 old versions of the file **lamers.log** then just before it is opened **lamers.log.1** is renamed to **lamers.log.2**, **lamers.log.0** is renamed to **lamers.log.1**, and **lamers.log** is renamed to **lamers.log.0**. You can say **versions unlimited**; to not limit the number of versions. If a size option is associated with the log file, then renaming is only done when the file being opened exceeds the indicated size. No backup versions are kept by default; any existing log file is simply appended.

The **size** option for files is used to limit log growth. If the file ever exceeds the size, then **named9** stops writing to the file unless it has a **versions** option associated with it. If backup versions are kept, the files are rolled as described above and a new one begun. If there is no **versions** option, no more data is written to the log until some out-of-band mechanism removes or truncates the log to less than the maximum size. The default behavior is not to limit the size of the file.

Example usage of the size and versions options:

```

channel "an_example_channel" {
    file "example.log" versions 3 size 20m;
}

```

```

    print-time yes;
    print-category yes;
};

```

The **syslog** destination clause directs the channel to the system log. Its argument is a **syslog** facility as described in the syslog man page. How **syslog** handles messages sent to this facility is described in the **syslog.conf** man page. If you have a system which uses a very old version of **syslog** that only uses two arguments to the **openlog()** function, then this clause is silently ignored. The severity clause works like **syslog**'s "priorities," except that they can also be used if you are writing straight to a file rather than using **syslog**. Messages which are not at least of the severity level given are not selected for the channel; messages of higher severity levels are accepted.

If you are using **syslog**, then the **syslog.conf** priorities also determine what eventually passes through. For example, defining a channel facility and severity as daemon and debug but only logging daemon.warning via **syslog.conf** causes messages of severity **info** and **notice** to be dropped. If the situation is reversed, with **named9** writing messages of only **warning** or higher, then **syslogd** prints all messages it received from the channel.

The **stderr** destination clause directs the channel to the server's standard error stream. This is intended for use when the server is running as a foreground process, for example when debugging a configuration.

The server can supply extensive debugging information when it is in debugging mode. If the server's global debug level is greater than zero, then debugging mode is active. The global debug level is set either by starting the **named9** server with the **-d** flag followed by a positive integer, or by running **rndc trace**. The global debug level can be set to zero, and debugging mode turned off, by running **ndc notrace**. All debugging messages in the server have a debug level, and higher debug levels give more detailed output. Channels that specify a specific debug severity, for example:

```

channel "specific_debug_level" {
    file "foo";
    severity debug 3;
};

```

gets debugging output of level 3 or less any time the server is in debugging mode, regardless of the global debugging level. Channels with **dynamic** severity use the server's global level to determine what messages to print.

If **print-time** has been turned on, then the date and time are logged. **print-time** may be specified for a **syslog** channel, but is usually pointless since **syslog** also prints the date and time. If **print-category** is requested, then the category of the message is logged as well. Finally, if **print-severity** is on, then the severity level of the message is logged. The **print-** options may be used in any combination, and are always printed in the following order: time, category, severity. Here is an example where all three **print-** options are on:

```

28-Feb-2000 15:05:32.863 general: notice: running

```

There are four predefined channels that are used for **named9**'s default logging as follows.

```

channel "default_syslog" {
    syslog daemon;                // send to syslog's daemon
    severity info;                 // facility
                                // only send priority info
                                // and higher
};

channel "default_debug" {
    file "named.run";             // write to named.run in
                                // the working directory
                                // Note: stderr is used instead
                                // of "named.run"
                                // if the server is started
                                // with the '-f' option.
    severity dynamic;             // log at the server's
                                // current debug level
};

channel "default_stderr" {
    stderr;                       // writes to stderr
};

```



```

        severity info;                                // only send priority info
                                                    // and higher
};

channel "null" {
    null;                                              // toss anything sent to
                                                    // this channel
};

```

The **default_debug** channel has the special property that it only produces output when the server's debug level is nonzero. It normally writes to a file **named9run** in the server's working directory.

For security reasons, when the **-u** command-line option is used, the **named9run** file is created only after **named9** has changed to the new UID, and any debug output generated while **named9** is starting up and still running as root is discarded. If you need to capture this output, you must run the server with the **-g** option and redirect standard error to a file.

Once a channel is defined, it cannot be redefined. Thus you cannot alter the built-in channels directly, but you can modify the default logging by pointing categories at channels you have defined.

The category Phrase

There are many categories, so you can send the logs you want to see wherever you want, without seeing logs you do not want. If you do not specify a list of channels for a category, then log messages in that category are sent to the **default** category instead. If you do not specify a default category, the following "default default" is used:

```
category "default" { "default_syslog"; "default_debug"; };
```

As an example, if you want to log security events to a file, but you also want to keep the default logging behavior, specify the following:

```

channel "my_security_channel" {
    file "my_security_file";
    severity info;
};
category "security" {
    "my_security_channel";
    "default_syslog";
    "default_debug";
};

```

To discard all messages in a category, specify the null channel:

```
category "xfer-out" { "null"; };
category "notify" { "null"; };
```

Following are the available categories and brief descriptions of the types of log information they contain.

Item	Description
default	The default category defines the logging options for those categories where no specific configuration has been defined.
general	The catch-all. Many things still are not classified into categories, and they all end up here.
database	Messages relating to the databases used internally by the name server to store zone and cache data.
security	Approval and denial of requests.
config	Configuration file parsing and processing.
resolver	DNS resolution, such as the recursive lookups performed on behalf of clients by a caching name server.
xfer-in	Zone transfers the server is receiving.
xfer-out	Zone transfers the server is sending.

Item	Description
notify	The NOTIFY protocol.
client	Processing of client requests.
unmatched	Messages that named was unable to determine the class of or for which there was no matching view . A one line summary is also logged to the client category. This category is best sent to a file or stderr, by default it is sent to the null channel.
network	Network operations.
update	Dynamic updates.
queries	Queries. Using the category queries enables query logging.
dispatch	Dispatching of incoming packets to the server modules where they are to be processed.
dnssec	DNSSEC and TSIG protocol processing.
lame-servers	Lame servers. These are misconfigurations in remote servers, discovered by BIND 9 when trying to query those servers during resolution.

options Statement Grammar

```
options {
  [ version version_string; ]
  [ directory path_name; ]
  [ named-xfer path_name; ]
  [ tkey-domain domainname; ]
  [ tkey-dhkey key_name key_tag; ]
  [ dump-file path_name; ]
  [ memstatistics-file path_name; ]
  [ pid-file path_name; ]
  [ statistics-file path_name; ]
  [ zone-statistics yes_or_no; ]
  [ auth-nxdomain yes_or_no; ]
  [ deallocate-on-exit yes_or_no; ]
  [ dialup dialup_option; ]
  [ fake-iquery yes_or_no; ]
  [ fetch-glue yes_or_no; ]
  [ has-old-clients yes_or_no; ]
  [ host-statistics yes_or_no; ]
  [ minimal-responses yes_or_no; ]
  [ multiple-cnames yes_or_no; ]
  [ notify yes_or_no | explicit; ]
  [ recursion yes_or_no; ]
  [ rfc2308-type1 yes_or_no; ]
  [ use-id-pool yes_or_no; ]
  [ maintain-ixfr-base yes_or_no; ]
  [ forward ( only | first ); ]
  [ forwarders { ip_addr [port ip_port] ; [ ip_addr [port ip_port] ; ... ] }; ]
  [ check-names ( master | slave | response ) ( warn | fail | ignore ); ]
  [ allow-notify { address_match_list }; ]
  [ allow-query { address_match_list }; ]
  [ allow-transfer { address_match_list }; ]
  [ allow-recursion { address_match_list }; ]
  [ allow-v6-synthesis { address_match_list }; ]
  [ blackhole { address_match_list }; ]
  [ listen-on [ port ip_port ] { address_match_list }; ]
  [ listen-on-v6 [ port ip_port ] { address_match_list }; ]
  [ query-source [ address ( ip_addr | * ) ] [ port ( ip_port | * ) ]; ]
  [ max-transfer-time-in number; ]
  [ max-transfer-time-out number; ]
  [ max-transfer-idle-in number; ]
  [ max-transfer-idle-out number; ]
  [ tcp-clients number; ]
  [ recursive-clients number; ]
  [ serial-query-rate number; ]
  [ serial-queries number; ]
  [ transfer-format ( one-answer | many-answers ); ]
  [ transfers-in number; ]
  [ transfers-out number; ]
  [ transfers-per-ns number; ]
  [ transfer-source ( ip4_addr | * ) [port ip_port] ; ]
  [ transfer-source-v6 ( ip6_addr | * ) [port ip_port] ; ]
}
```

```
[ notify-source (ip4_addr | *) [port ip_port] ; ]
[ notify-source-v6 (ip6_addr | *) [port ip_port] ; ]
[ also-notify { ip_addr [port ip_port] ; [ ip_addr [port ip_port] ; ... ] } ; ]
[ max-ixfr-log-size number ; ]
[ coresize size_spec ; ]
[ datasize size_spec ; ]
[ files size_spec ; ]
[ stacksize size_spec ; ]
[ cleaning-interval number ; ]
[ heartbeat-interval number ; ]
[ interface-interval number ; ]
[ statistics-interval number ; ]
[ topology { address_match_list } ; ]
[ sortlist { address_match_list } ; ]
[ rrset-order { order_spec ; [ order_spec ; ... ] } ; ]
[ lame-ttl number ; ]
[ max-ncache-ttl number ; ]
[ max-cache-ttl number ; ]
[ sig-validity-interval number ; ]
[ min-roots number ; ]
[ use-ixfr yes_or_no ; ]
[ provide-ixfr yes_or_no ; ]
[ request-ixfr yes_or_no ; ]
[ treat-cr-as-space yes_or_no ; ]
[ min-refresh-time number ; ]
[ max-refresh-time number ; ]
[ min-retry-time number ; ]
[ max-retry-time number ; ]
[ port ip_port ; ]
[ additional-from-auth yes_or_no ; ]
[ additional-from-cache yes_or_no ; ]
[ random-device path_name ; ]
[ max-cache-size size_spec ; ]
[ match-mapped-addresses yes_or_no ; ]
```

options Statement Definition and Usage

The **options** statement sets up global options to be used by BIND. This statement may appear only once in a configuration file. If more than one occurrence is found, the first occurrence determines the actual options used, and a warning is generated. If there is no **options** statement, an options block with each option set to its default is used.

version

The version the server should report through a query of name `version.bind` in class **CHAOS**. The default is the real version number of this server.

directory

The working directory of the server. Any non-absolute pathnames in the configuration file are taken as relative to this directory. The default location for most server output files (for example, `named.run`) is this directory. If a directory is not specified, the working directory defaults to `"."`, the directory from which the server was started. The directory specified should be an absolute path.

named-xfer

This option is obsolete. It was used in BIND 8 to specify the pathname to the `named-xfer` program. In BIND 9, no separate `named-xfer` program is needed; its functionality is built into the name server.

tkey-domain

The domain appended to the names of all shared keys generated with **TKEY**. When a client requests a **TKEY** exchange, it may or may not specify the desired name for the key. If present, the name of the shared key is **client specified part + tkey-domain**. Otherwise, the name of the shared key is **random hex digits + tkey-domain**. In most cases, the **domainname** should be the server's domain name.

tkey-dhkey

The Diffie-Hellman key used by the server to generate shared keys with clients using the Diffie-Hellman mode of **TKEY**. The server must be able to load the public and private keys from files in the working directory. In most cases, the keyname should be the server's host name.

dump-file

The pathname of the file the server dumps the database to when instructed to do so with **rndc dumpdb**. If not specified, the default is **named_dump.db**.

memstatistics-file

The pathname of the file the server writes memory usage statistics to on exit. If not specified, the default is `named.memstats`.

Note: Not yet implemented in BIND 9.

pid-file

The pathname of the file the server writes its process ID in. If not specified, the default is `/var/run/named.pid`. The pid-file is used by programs that want to send signals to the running nameserver.

statistics-file

The pathname of the file the server appends statistics to when instructed to do so using `rndc stats`. If not specified, the default is `named.stats` in the server's current directory.

port

The UDP/TCP port number the server uses for receiving and sending DNS protocol traffic. The default is 53. This option is mainly intended for server testing; a server using a port other than 53 will not be able to communicate with the global DNS.

random-device

The source of entropy to be used by the server. Entropy is primarily needed for DNSSEC operations, such as TKEY transactions and dynamic update of signed zones. This option specifies the device (or file) from which to read entropy. If this is a file, operations requiring entropy fail when the file has been exhausted. If not specified, the default value is `/dev/random` (or equivalent) when present, and none otherwise. The random-device option takes effect during the initial configuration load at server startup time and is ignored on subsequent reloads.

Boolean Options

auth-nxdomain

If yes, then the **AA** bit is always set on NXDOMAIN responses, even if the server is not actually authoritative. The default is no; this is a change from BIND 8. If you are using very old DNS software, you may need to set it to yes.

deallocate-on-exit

This option was used in BIND 8 to enable checking for memory leaks on exit. BIND 9 ignores the option and always performs the checks.

dialup

If yes, the server treats all zones as if they are doing zone transfers across a dial on demand dialup link, which can be brought up by traffic originating from this server. This has different effects according to zone type and concentrates the zone maintenance so that it all happens in a short interval, once every **heartbeat-interval** and hopefully during the one call. It also suppresses some of the normal zone maintenance traffic. The default is no. The **dialup** option may also be specified in the **view** and **zone** statements, in which case it overrides the global **dialup** option.

If the zone is a master zone then the server sends out a NOTIFY request to all the slave zones. This triggers the zone serial number check in the slave (providing it supports NOTIFY) allowing the slave to verify the zone while the connection is active.

If the zone is a slave or stub zone, then the server suppresses the regular "zone up to date" (refresh) queries and only perform them when the **heartbeat-interval** expires in addition to sending NOTIFY requests.

Finer control can be achieved by using `notify`, which only sends NOTIFY messages; `notify-passive`, which sends NOTIFY messages and suppresses the normal refresh queries; and `refresh`, which suppresses normal refresh processing and send refresh queries when the **heartbeat-interval** expires and `passive` which just disables normal refresh processing.

fake-iquery

In BIND 8, this option was used to enable simulating the obsolete DNS query type IQUERY. BIND 9 never does IQUERY simulation.

fetch-glue

This option is obsolete. In BIND 8, `fetch-glue yes` caused the server to attempt to fetch glue resource records it did not have when constructing the additional data section of a response. This is now considered bad practice, and BIND 9 never does it.

has-old-clients

This option was incorrectly implemented in BIND 8, and is ignored by BIND 9. To achieve the intended effect of `has-old-clients yes`, specify the two separate options **`auth-nxdomain yes`** and **`rfc2308-type1 no`** instead.

host-statistics

In BIND 8, this enables keeping of statistics for every host that the nameserver interacts with. It is not implemented in BIND 9.

maintain-ixfr-base

This option is obsolete. It was used in BIND 8 to determine whether a transaction log was kept for Incremental Zone Transfer. BIND 9 maintains a transaction log whenever possible. If you need to disable outgoing incremental zone transfers, use **`provide-ixfr no`**.

minimal-responses

If yes, then when generating responses, the server only adds records to the authority and additional data sections when they are required. This may improve the performance of the server. The default is no.

multiple-cnames

This option was used in BIND 8 to allow a domain name to allow multiple CNAME records in violation of the DNS standards. BIND 9.2 strictly enforces the CNAME rules both in master files and dynamic updates.

notify

If yes (default), DNS NOTIFY messages are sent when a zone the server is authoritative for changes. The messages are sent to the servers listed in the zone's NS records (except the controller server identified in the SOA MNAME field), and to any servers listed in the **`also-notify`** option. If explicit, notifies are sent only to servers explicitly listed using **`also-notify`**. If no, no notifies are sent.

The **`notify`** option may also be specified in the **`zone`** statement, in which case it overrides the **`options notify`** statement. It would only be necessary to turn off this option if it caused slaves to crash.

recursion

If yes, and a DNS query requests recursion, then the server attempts to do all the work required to answer the query. If recursion is off and the server does not already know the answer, it returns a referral response. The default is yes.

Note: Setting **`recursion no`** does not prevent clients from getting data from the cache on the server; it only prevents new data from being cached as an effect of client queries. Caching may still occur as an effect the server's internal operation, such as NOTIFY address lookups.

rfc2308-type1

Setting this to yes causes the server to send NS records along with the SOA record for negative answers. The default is no.

Note: Not yet implemented in BIND 9.

use-id-pool

This option is obsolete. BIND 9 always allocates query IDs from a pool.

zone-statistics

If yes, the server, by default, collects statistical data on all zones in the server. These statistics may be accessed using **`rndc stats`**, which dumps them to the file listed in the **`statistics-file`**. See [“The Statistics File”](#) on page 608.

use-ixfr

This option is obsolete. If you need to disable IXFR to a particular server or servers see the information on the `provide-ixfr` option in [“Server Statement Definition and Usage”](#) on page 609.

provide-ixfr

See the description of **`provide-ixfr`** in [“Server Statement Definition and Usage”](#) on page 609.

request-ixfr

See the description of request-ixfr in [“Server Statement Definition and Usage” on page 609](#).

treat-cr-as-space

This option was used in BIND 8 to make the server treat carriage return ("`\r`") characters the same way as a space or tab character to facilitate loading of zone files on a UNIX system that were generated on a Windows NT or DOS machine. In BIND 9, both UNIX "`\n`" and NT/DOS "`\r\n`" newlines are always accepted, and the option is ignored.

additional-from-auth, additional-from-cache

These options control the behavior of an authoritative server when answering queries which have additional data, or when following CNAME and DNAME chains. When both of these options are set to yes (default) and a query is being answered from authoritative data (a zone configured into the server), the additional data section of the reply is filled in using data from other authoritative zones and from the cache. In some situations this is undesirable, such as when there is concern over the correctness of the cache, or in servers where slave zones may be added and modified by untrusted third parties. Also, avoiding the search for this additional data speeds up server operations at the possible expense of additional queries to resolve what would otherwise be provided in the additional section.

For example, if a query asks for an MX record for host `foo.example.com`, and the record found is "`MX 10 mail.example.net`", normally the address records for `mail.example.net` are provided as well, if known. Setting these options to no disables this behavior.

These options are intended for use in authoritative-only servers, or in authoritative-only views. Attempts to set them to no without also specifying **recursion no**; causes the server to ignore the options and log a warning message.

Specifying **additional-from-cache no** actually disables the use of the cache not only for additional data lookups but also when looking up the answer. This is usually the desired behavior in an authoritative-only server where the correctness of the cached data is an issue.

When a name server is non-recursively queried for a name that is not below the apex of any served zone, it normally answers with an "upwards referral" to the root servers or the servers of some other known parent of the query name. Since the data in an upwards referral comes from the cache, the server will not be able to provide upwards referrals when **additional-from-cache no** has been specified. Instead, it responds to such queries with REFUSED. This should not cause any problems since upwards referrals are not required for the resolution process.

match-mapped-addresses

If yes, then an IPv4-mapped IPv6 address matches any address match list entries that match the corresponding IPv4 address. Enabling this option is sometimes useful on IPv6-enabled Linux® systems, to work around a kernel quirk that causes IPv4 TCP connections such as zone transfers to be accepted on an IPv6 socket using mapped addresses, causing address match lists designed for IPv4 to fail to match. The use of this option for any other purpose is discouraged.

Forwarding

The forwarding facility can be used to create a large site-wide cache on a few servers, reducing traffic over links to external nameservers. It can also be used to allow queries by servers that do not have direct access to the Internet, but wish to look up exterior names anyway. Forwarding occurs only on those queries for which the server is not authoritative and does not have the answer in its cache.

forward

This option is only meaningful if the forwarders list is not empty. A value of `first`, the default, causes the server to query the forwarders first, and if that does not answer the question the server then looks for the answer itself. If only is specified, the server only queries the forwarders.

forwarders

Specifies the IP addresses to be used for forwarding. The default is the empty list (no forwarding).

Forwarding can also be configured on a per-domain basis, allowing for the global forwarding options to be overridden in various ways. You can set particular domains to use different forwarders, or have a different forward only/first behavior, or not forward at all. See [“Zone Statement Grammar” on page 611](#).

Access Control

Access to the server can be restricted based on the IP address of the requesting system.

allow-notify

Specifies which hosts are allowed to notify slaves of a zone change in addition to the zone masters. The **allow-notify** option may also be specified in the **zone** statement, in which case it overrides the **options allow-notify** statement. It is only meaningful for a slave zone. If not specified, the default is to process notify messages only from a zone's master.

allow-query

Specifies which hosts are allowed to ask ordinary questions. The **allow-query** option may also be specified in the **zone** statement, in which case it overrides the **options allow-query** statement. If not specified, the default is to allow queries from all hosts.

allow-recursion

Specifies which hosts are allowed to make recursive queries through this server. If not specified, the default is to allow recursive queries from all hosts. Note that disallowing recursive queries for a host does not prevent the host from retrieving data that is already in the cache on the server.

allow-transfer

Specifies which hosts are allowed to receive zone transfers from the server. **allow-transfer** may also be specified in the **zone** statement, in which case it overrides the **options allow-transfer** statement. If not specified, the default is to allow transfers from all hosts.

blackhole

Specifies a list of addresses that the server does not accept queries from or uses to resolve a query. Queries from these addresses are not responded to. The default is none.

Interfaces

The interfaces and ports that the server answers queries from may be specified using the **listen-on** option. **listen-on** takes an optional port, and an `address_match_list`. The server listens on all interfaces allowed by the address match list. If a port is not specified, port 53 is used.

Multiple **listen-on** statements are allowed. For example:

```
listen-on { 5.6.7.8; };  
listen-on port 1234 { !1.2.3.4; 1.2/16; };
```

This enables the nameserver on port 53 for the IP address 5.6.7.8, and on port 1234 of an address on the machine in net 1.2 that is not 1.2.3.4.

If no **listen-on** is specified, the server listens on port 53 on all interfaces.

Query Address

If the server does not know the answer to a question, it queries other nameservers. **query-source** specifies the address and port used for such queries. If **address** is * or is omitted, a wildcard IP address (**INADDR_ANY**) is used. If **port** is * or is omitted, a random unprivileged port is used. The defaults are as follows:

```
query-source address * port *;  
query-source-v6 address * port *
```

Note: The address specified in the **query-source** option is used for both UDP and TCP queries, but the port applies only to UDP queries. TCP queries always use a random unprivileged port.

Zone Transfers

BIND has mechanisms in place to facilitate zone transfers and set limits on the amount of load that transfers place on the system. The following options apply to zone transfers.

also-notify

Defines a global list of IP addresses of name servers that are also sent NOTIFY messages whenever a fresh copy of the zone is loaded, in addition to the servers listed in the zone's NS records. This helps to

ensure that copies of the zones quickly converge on stealth servers. If an **also-notify** list is given in a zone statement, it overrides the **options also-notify** statement. When a **zone notify** statement is set to no, the IP addresses in the global **also-notify** list are not sent NOTIFY messages for that zone. The default is the empty list (no global notification list).

max-transfer-time-in

Inbound zone transfers running longer than this many minutes are terminated. The default is 120 minutes (2 hours).

max-transfer-idle-in

Inbound zone transfers making no progress in this many minutes are terminated. The default is 60 minutes (1 hour).

max-transfer-time-out

Outbound zone transfers running longer than this many minutes are terminated. The default is 120 minutes (2 hours).

max-transfer-idle-out

Outbound zone transfers making no progress in this many minutes are terminated. The default is 60 minutes (1 hour).

serial-query-rate

Worker servers periodically query controller servers to find out if zone serial numbers have changed. Each such query uses a minute amount of the worker server's network bandwidth. To limit the amount of bandwidth used, BIND 9 limits the rate at which queries are sent. The value of the **serial-query-rate** option, an integer, is the maximum number of queries sent per second. The default is 20.

serial-queries

In BIND 8, the **serial-queries** option set the maximum number of concurrent serial number queries allowed to be outstanding at any given time. BIND 9 does not limit the number of outstanding serial queries and ignores the **serial-queries** option. Instead, it limits the rate at which the queries are sent as defined using the **serial-query-rate** option.

transfer-format

Zone transfers can be sent using two different formats, **one-answer** and **many-answers**. The **transfer-format** option is used on the controller server to determine which format it sends. **one-answer** uses one DNS message per resource record transferred. **many-answers** packs as many resource records as possible into a message. **many-answers** is more efficient, but is only supported by relatively new worker servers, such as BIND 9, BIND 8.x and patched versions of BIND 4.9.5. The default is **many-answers**. **transfer-format** may be overridden on a per-server basis by using the server statement.

transfers-in

The maximum number of inbound zone transfers that can be running concurrently. The default value is 10. Increasing **transfers-in** may speed up the convergence of slave zones, but it also may increase the load on the local system.

transfers-out

The maximum number of outbound zone transfers that can be running concurrently. Zone transfer requests in excess of the limit are refused. The default value is 10.

transfers-per-ns

The maximum number of inbound zone transfers that can be concurrently transferring from a given remote nameserver. The default value is 2. Increasing **transfers-per-ns** may speed up the convergence of slave zones, but it also may increase the load on the remote nameserver. **transfers-per-ns** may be overridden on a per-server basis by using the **transfers** phrase of the **server** statement.

transfer-source

transfer-source determines which local address is bound to IPv4 TCP connections used to fetch zones transferred inbound by the server. It also determines the source IPv4 address, and optionally the UDP port, used for the refresh queries and forwarded dynamic updates. If not set, it defaults to a system controlled value which is usually the address of the interface "closest to" the remote end. This address must appear in the remote end's **allow-transfer** option for the zone being transferred, if one is specified. This statement sets the **transfer-source** for all zones, but can be overridden on a per-

view or per-zone basis by including a **transfer-source** statement within the **view** or **zone** block in the configuration file.

notify-source

notify-source determines which local source address, and optionally UDP port, is used to send NOTIFY messages. This address must appear in the worker server's **masters zone** clause or in an **allow-notify** clause. This statement sets the **notify-source** for all zones, but can be overridden on a per-zone / per-view basis by including a **notify-source** statement within the **zone** or **view** block in the configuration file.

Operating System Resource Limits

The server's usage of many system resources can be limited. Scaled values are allowed when specifying resource limits. For example, 1G can be used instead of **1073741824** to specify a limit of one gigabyte. The **unlimited** option requests unlimited use, or the maximum available amount. The **default** option uses the limit that was in force when the server was started.

The following options set operating system resource limits for the name server process. Some operating systems do not support some or any of the limits. On such systems, a warning is issued if the unsupported limit is used.

coresize

The maximum size of a core dump. The default is **default**.

datasize

The maximum amount of data memory the server may use. The default is **default**. This is a hard limit on server memory usage. If the server attempts to allocate memory in excess of this limit, the allocation fails, which may in turn leave the server unable to perform DNS service. Therefore, this option is rarely useful as a way of limiting the amount of memory used by the server, but it can be used to raise an operating system data size limit that is too small by default. If you wish to limit the amount of memory used by the server, use the **max-cache-size** and **recursive-clients** options instead.

files

The maximum number of files the server may have open concurrently. The default is **unlimited**.

stacksize

The maximum amount of stack memory the server may use. The default is **default**.

Server Resource Limits

The following options set limits on the server's resource consumption that are enforced internally by the server rather than the operating system.

max-ixfr-log-size

This option is obsolete; it is accepted and ignored for BIND 8 compatibility.

recursive-clients

The maximum number of simultaneous recursive lookups the server performs on behalf of clients. The default is 1000. Because each recursing client uses a fair bit of memory, on the order of 20 KB, the value of the **recursive-clients** option may have to be decreased on hosts with limited memory.

tcp-clients

The maximum number of simultaneous client TCP connections that the server accepts. The default is 100.

max-cache-size

The maximum amount of memory to use for the cache on the server, in bytes. When the amount of data in the cache reaches this limit, the server causes the records to expire prematurely so that the limit is not exceeded. In a server with multiple views, the limit applies separately to the cache of each view. The default value is **unlimited**, indicating that records are purged from the cache only when their TTLs expire. The minimum value that you can set for this limit is 2 MB.

Periodic Task Intervals

cleaning-interval

The server removes expired resource records from the cache every **cleaning-interval** minutes. The default is 60 minutes. If set to 0, periodic cleaning does not occur.

heartbeat-interval

The server performs zone maintenance tasks for all zones marked as **diagnose** whenever this interval expires. The default is 60 minutes. Reasonable values are up to 1 day (1440 minutes). If set to 0, zone maintenance for these zones does not occur.

interface-interval

The server scans the network interface list every **interface-interval** minutes. The default is 60 minutes. If set to 0, interface scanning only occurs when the configuration file is loaded. After the scan, listeners are started on any new interfaces (provided they are allowed by the **listen-on** configuration). Listeners on interfaces that have gone away are cleaned up.

statistics-interval

Nameserver statistics are logged every **statistics-interval** minutes. The default is 60. If set to 0, no statistics are logged.

Note: Not yet implemented in BIND 9.

Topology

All other things being equal, when the server chooses a nameserver to query from a list of nameservers, it prefers the one that is topologically closest to itself. The **topology** statement takes an **address_match_list** and interprets it in a special way. Each top-level list element is assigned a distance. Non-negated elements get a distance based on their position in the list, where the closer the match is to the start of the list, the shorter the distance is between it and the server. A negated match is assigned the maximum distance from the server. If there is no match, the address gets a distance which is further than any non-negated list element, and closer than any negated element. For example,

```
topology {  
    10/8;  
    !1.2.3/24;  
    { 1.2/16; 3/8; };  
};
```

prefers servers on network 10 the most, followed by hosts on network 1.2.0.0 (netmask 255.255.0.0) and network 3, except for hosts on network 1.2.3 (netmask 255.255.255.0), which is preferred least of all.

The default topology is

```
topology { localhost; localnets; };
```

Note: The **topology** option is not implemented in BIND 9.

The sortlist Statement

The response to a DNS query may consist of multiple resource records (RRs) forming a resource records set (RRset). The name server normally returns the RRs within the RRset in an indeterminate order (but see the **rrset-order** statement in “RRset Ordering” on page 607). The client resolver code should rearrange the RRs as appropriate, that is, using any addresses on the local net in preference to other addresses. However, not all resolvers can do this or are correctly configured. When a client is using a local server the sorting can be performed in the server, based on the client's address. This only requires configuring the nameservers, not all the clients.

The **sortlist** statement (see below) takes an **address_match_list** and interprets it even more specifically than the **topology** statement does (“Topology” on page 606). Each top-level statement in the **sortlist** must itself be an explicit **address_match_list** with one or two elements. The first element (which may be

an IP address, an IP prefix, an ACL name or a nested **address_match_list**) of each top-level list is checked against the source address of the query until a match is found.

Once the source address of the query has been matched, if the top-level statement contains only one element, the actual primitive element that matched the source address is used to select the address in the response to move to the beginning of the response. If the statement is a list of two elements, then the second element is treated the same as the **address_match_list** in a **topology** statement. Each top-level element is assigned a distance and the address in the response with the minimum distance is moved to the beginning of the response.

In the following example, any queries received from any of the addresses of the host itself get responses preferring addresses on any of the locally connected networks. Next most preferred are addresses on the 192.168.1/24 network, and after that either the 192.168.2/24 or 192.168.3/24 network with no preference shown between these two networks. Queries received from a host on the 192.168.1/24 network prefer other addresses on that network to the 192.168.2/24 and 192.168.3/24 networks. Queries received from a host on the 192.168.4/24 or the 192.168.5/24 network only prefer other addresses on their directly connected networks.

```
sortlist {
  { localhost;
    { localnets;
      192.168.1/24;
      { 192.168.2/24; 192.168.3/24; }; }; }; // IF the local host
                                              // THEN first fit on the
                                              // following nets
    { 192.168.1/24;
      { 192.168.1/24;
        { 192.168.2/24; 192.168.3/24; }; }; }; // IF on class C 192.168.1
                                              // THEN use .1, or .2 or .3
    { 192.168.2/24;
      { 192.168.2/24;
        { 192.168.1/24; 192.168.3/24; }; }; }; // IF on class C 192.168.2
                                              // THEN use .2, or .1 or .3
    { 192.168.3/24;
      { 192.168.3/24;
        { 192.168.1/24; 192.168.2/24; }; }; }; // IF on class C 192.168.3
                                              // THEN use .3, or .1 or .2
    { { 192.168.4/24; 192.168.5/24; };
      }; // if .4 or .5, prefer that net
  };
};
```

The following example gives reasonable behavior for the local host and hosts on directly connected networks. It is similar to the behavior of the address sort in BIND 4.9.x. Responses sent to queries from the local host favor any of the directly connected networks. Responses sent to queries from any other hosts on a directly connected network prefer addresses on that same network. Responses to other queries are not sorted.

```
sortlist {
  { localhost; localnets; };
  { localnets; };
};
```

RRset Ordering

When multiple records are returned in an answer it may be useful to configure the order of the records placed into the response. The **rrset-order** statement permits configuration of the ordering of the records in a multiple record response. See also the **sortlist** statement, [“The sortlist Statement” on page 606](#).

An **order_spec** is defined as follows:

```
[ class class_name ][ type type_name ][ name "domain_name" ]
  order ordering
```

If no class is specified, the default is **ANY**. If no type is specified, the default is **ANY**. If no name is specified, the default is **"*"**.

The legal values for **ordering** are:

Item	Description
fixed	Records are returned in the order they are defined in the zone file.

Item	Description
random	Records are returned in some random order.
cyclic	Records are returned in a round-robin order.

For example:

```
rrset-order {
    class IN type A name "host.example.com" order random;
    order cyclic;
};
```

causes any responses for type A records in class IN that have "host.example.com" as a suffix, to always be returned in random order. All other records are returned in cyclic order.

If multiple **rrset-order** statements appear, they are not combined — the last one applies.

Note: The **rrset-order** statement is not yet implemented in BIND 9. BIND 9 currently supports only a "random-cyclic" ordering, where the server randomly chooses a starting point within the RRset and returns the records in order starting at that point, wrapping around the end of the RRset if necessary.

Tuning

lame-ttl

Sets the number of seconds to cache a lame server indication. 0 disables caching. (This is not recommended.) Default is 600 (10 minutes). Maximum value is 1800 (30 minutes).

max-ncache-ttl

To reduce network traffic and increase performance the server stores negative answers. **max-ncache-ttl** is used to set a maximum retention time for these answers in the server in seconds. The default **max-ncache-ttl** is 10800 seconds (3 hours). **max-ncache-ttl** cannot exceed 7 days and is silently truncated to 7 days if set to a greater value.

max-cache-ttl

max-cache-ttl sets the maximum time for which the server will cache ordinary (positive) answers. The default is one week (7 days).

min-roots

The minimum number of root servers that is required for a request for the root servers to be accepted. Default is 2.

Note: Not yet implemented in BIND 9.

sig-validity-interval

Specifies the number of days into the future when DNSSEC signatures automatically generated as a result of dynamic updates ((Section 4.1)) will expire. The default is 30 days. The signature inception time is unconditionally set to one hour before the current time to allow for a limited amount of clock skew.

min-refresh-time, max-refresh-time, min-retry-time, max-retry-time

These options control the server's behavior on refreshing a zone (querying for SOA changes) or retrying failed transfers. Usually the SOA values for the zone are used, but these values are set by the controller, giving worker server administrators little control over their contents.

These options allow the administrator to set a minimum and maximum refresh and retry time either per-zone, per-view, or per-server. These options are valid for master, slave and stub zones, and clamp the SOA refresh and retry times to the specified values.

The Statistics File

The statistics file generated by BIND 9 is similar, but not identical, to that generated by BIND 8.

The statistics dump begins with the line **+++ Statistics Dump +++ (973798949)**, where the number in parentheses is a standard UNIX-style timestamp, measured as seconds since January 1, 1970. Following that line, are a series of lines containing a counter type, the value of the counter, optionally a zone name, and optionally a view name. The lines without view and zone listed are global statistics for the entire server. Lines with a zone and view name for the given view and zone (the view name is omitted for the default view). The statistics dump ends with the line **--- Statistics Dump --- (973798949)**, where the number is identical to the number in the beginning line.

The following statistics counters are maintained:

Item	Description
success	The number of successful queries made to the server or zone. A successful query is defined as query which returns a NOERROR response other than a referral response.
referral	The number of queries which resulted in referral responses.
nxrrset	The number of queries which resulted in NOERROR responses with no data.
nxdomain	The number of queries which resulted in NXDOMAIN responses.
recursion	The number of queries which caused the server to perform recursion in order to find the final answer.
failure	The number of queries which resulted in a failure response other than those above.

server Statement Grammar

```
server ip_addr {
    [ bogus yes_or_no ; ]
    [ provide-ixfr yes_or_no ; ]
    [ request-ixfr yes_or_no ; ]
    [ edns yes_or_no ; ]
    [ transfers number ; ]
    [ transfer-format ( one-answer | many-answers ) ; ]
    [ keys { string ; [ string ; [...]] } ; ]
};
```

Server Statement Definition and Usage

The **server** statement defines characteristics to be associated with a remote nameserver.

The **server** statement can occur at the top level of the configuration file or inside a **view** statement. If a **view** statement contains one or more **server** statements, only those apply to the view and any top-level ones are ignored. If a view contains no **server** statements, any top-level **server** statements are used as defaults.

If you discover that a remote server is giving out bad data, marking it as bogus prevents further queries to it. The default value of **bogus** is **no**.

The **provide-ixfr** clause determines whether the local server, acting as controller, responds with an incremental zone transfer when the given remote server, a worker, requests it. If set to **yes**, incremental transfer is provided whenever possible. If set to **no**, all transfers to the remote server are nonincremental. If not set, the value of the **provide-ixfr** option in the view or global options block is used as a default.

The **request-ixfr** clause determines whether the local server, acting as a worker, requests incremental zone transfers from the given remote server, a controller. If not set, the value of the **request-ixfr** option in the view or global options block is used as a default.

IXFR requests to servers that do not support IXFR automatically fall back to AXFR. Therefore, there is no need to manually list which servers support IXFR and which ones do not; the global default of **yes** should

always work. The purpose of the **provide-ixfr** and **request-ixfr** clauses is to make it possible to disable the use of IXFR even when both controller and worker claim to support it, for example if one of the servers is buggy and crashes or corrupts data when IXFR is used.

The **edns** clause determines whether the local server will attempt to use EDNS when communicating with the remote server. The default is **yes**.

The server supports two zone transfer methods. The first, **one-answer**, uses one DNS message per resource record transferred. **many-answers** packs as many resource records as possible into a message. **many-answers** is more efficient, but is only known to be understood by BIND 9, BIND 8.x, and patched versions of BIND 4.9.5. You can specify which method to use for a server with the **transfer-format** option. If **transfer-format** is not specified, the **transfer-format** specified by the **options** statement is used.

transfers is used to limit the number of concurrent inbound zone transfers from the specified server. If no **transfers** clause is specified, the limit is set according to the **transfers-per-ns** option.

The **keys** clause is used to identify a **key_id** defined by the **key** statement, to be used for transaction security when talking to the remote server. The **key** statement must come before the **server** statement that references it. When a request is sent to the remote server, a request signature is generated using the key specified here and appended to the message. A request originating from the remote server is not required to be signed by this key.

Although the grammar of the **keys** clause allows for multiple keys, only a single key per server is currently supported.

trusted-keys Statement Grammar

```
trusted-keys {  
    string number number number string ;  
    [ string number number number string ; [...]]  
};
```

trusted-keys Statement Definition and Usage

The **trusted-keys** statement defines DNSSEC security roots. A security root is defined when the public key for a non-authoritative zone is known, but cannot be securely obtained through DNS, either because it is the DNS root zone or its parent zone is unsigned. Once a key has been configured as a trusted key, it is treated as if it had been validated and proven secure. The resolver attempts DNSSEC validation on all DNS data in subdomains of a security root.

The **trusted-keys** statement can contain multiple key entries, each consisting of the key's domain name, flags, protocol, algorithm, and the base-64 representation of the key data.

view Statement Grammar

```
view view_name [class] {  
    match-clients { address_match_list } ;  
    match-destinations { address_match_list } ;  
    match-recursive-only { yes_or_no } ;  
    [ view_option; ...]  
    [ zone-statistics yes_or_no ; ]  
    [ zone_statement; ...]  
};
```

6.2.20. view Statement Definition and Usage

The **view** statement is a powerful new feature of BIND 9 that lets a name server answer a DNS query differently depending on who is asking. It is particularly useful for implementing split DNS setups without having to run multiple servers.

Each **view** statement defines a view of the DNS namespace that is seen by a subset of clients. A client matches a view if its source IP address matches the **address_match_list** of the view's **match-clients** clause and its destination IP address matches the **address_match_list** of the view's **match-destinations** clause. If not specified, both **match-clients** and **match-destinations** default to matching all addresses. A view can also be specified as **match-recursive-only**, which means that only recursive requests from matching clients match that view. The order of the **view** statements is significant — a client request is resolved in the context of the first **view** that it matches.

Zones defined within a **view** statement are only accessible to clients that match the **view**. By defining a zone of the same name in multiple views, different zone data can be given to different clients, for example, "internal" and "external" clients in a split DNS setup.

Many of the options given in the **options** statement can also be used within a **view** statement, and then apply only when resolving queries with that view. When no view-specific value is given, the value in the **options** statement is used as a default. Also, zone options can have default values specified in the **view** statement; these view-specific defaults take precedence over those in the **options** statement.

Views are class-specific. If no class is given, class IN is assumed. Note that all non-IN views must contain a hint zone, since only the IN class has compiled-in default hints.

If there are no **view** statements in the config file, a default view that matches any client is automatically created in class IN, and any **zone** statements specified on the top level of the configuration file are considered to be part of this default view. If any explicit **view** statements are present, all **zone** statements must occur inside **view** statements.

Here is an example of a typical split DNS setup implemented using **view** statements.

```
view "internal" {
    // This should match our internal networks.
    match-clients { 10.0.0.0/8; };
    // Provide recursive service to internal clients only.
    recursion yes;
    // Provide a complete view of the example.com zone
    // including addresses of internal hosts.
    zone "example.com" {
        type master;
        file "example-internal.db";
    };
};
view "external" {
    match-clients { any; };
    // Refuse recursive service to external clients.
    recursion no;
    // Provide a restricted view of the example.com zone
    // containing only publicly accessible hosts.
    zone "example.com" {
        type master;
        file "example-external.db";
    };
};
```

Zone Statement Grammar

```
zone zone_name [class] [{
    type { master | slave | hint | stub | forward ) ;
    [ allow-notify { address_match_list } ; ]
    [ allow-query { address_match_list } ; ]
    [ allow-transfer { address_match_list } ; ]
    [ allow-update { address_match_list } ; ]
    [ update-policy { update_policy_rule [...] } ; ]
    [ allow-update-forwarding { address_match_list } ; ]
    [ also-notify { ip_addr [port ip_port] ; [ ip_addr [port ip_port] ; ... ] } ; ]
    [ check-names (warn|fail|ignore) ; ]
    [ dialup dialup_option ; ]
    [ file string ; ]
    [ forward (only|first) ; ]
    [ forwarders { ip_addr [port ip_port] ; [ ip_addr [port ip_port] ; ... ] } ; ]
    [ ixfr-base string ; ]
    [ ixfr-tmp-file string ; ]
    [ maintain-ixfr-base yes_or_no ; ]
    [ masters [port ip_port] { ip_addr [port ip_port] [key key]; [...] } ; ]
    [ max-ixfr-log-size number ; ]
    [ max-transfer-idle-in number ; ]
    [ max-transfer-idle-out number ; ]
    [ max-transfer-time-in number ; ]
    [ max-transfer-time-out number ; ]
    [ notify yes_or_no | explicit ; ]
    [ pubkey number number number string ; ]
    [ transfer-source (ip4_addr | *) [port ip_port] ; ]
    [ transfer-source-v6 (ip6_addr | *) [port ip_port] ; ]
    [ notify-source (ip4_addr | *) [port ip_port] ; ]
    [ notify-source-v6 (ip6_addr | *) [port ip_port] ; ]
}]
```

```
[ zone-statistics yes_or_no ; ]
[ sig-validity-interval number ; ]
[ database string ; ]
[ min-refresh-time number ; ]
[ max-refresh-time number ; ]
[ min-retry-time number ; ]
[ max-retry-time number ; ]

}];
```

zone Statement Definition and Usage

Zone Types

Item	Description
master	The server has a master copy of the data for the zone and will be able to provide authoritative answers for it.
slave	<p>A slave zone is a replica of a master zone. The masters list specifies one or more IP addresses of controller servers that the worker contacts to update its copy of the zone. By default, transfers are made from port 53 on the servers; this can be changed for all servers by specifying a port number before the list of IP addresses, or on a per-server basis after the IP address. Authentication to the controller server can also be done with per-server TSIG keys. If a file is specified, then the replica is written to this file whenever the zone is changed, and reloaded from this file on a server restart. Use of a file is recommended, since it often speeds server start-up and eliminates a needless waste of bandwidth. Note that for large numbers (in the tens or hundreds of thousands) of zones per server, it is best to use a two level naming scheme for zone file names. For example, a worker server for the zone <code>example.com</code> might place the zone contents into a file called <code>ex/example.com</code> where <code>ex/</code> is just the first two letters of the zone name. (Most operating systems behave very slowly if you put 100K files into a single directory.)</p>
stub	<p>A stub zone is similar to a slave zone, except that it replicates only the NS records of a master zone instead of the entire zone. Stub zones are not a standard part of the DNS; they are a feature specific to the BIND implementation.</p> <p>Stub zones can be used to eliminate the need for glue NS record in a parent zone at the expense of maintaining a stub zone entry and a set of name server addresses in <code>named.conf</code>. This usage is not recommended for new configurations, and BIND 9 supports it only in a limited way. In BIND 4/8, zone transfers of a parent zone included the NS records from stub children of that zone. This meant that, in some cases, users could get away with configuring child stubs only in the controller server for the parent zone. BIND 9 never mixes together zone data from different zones in this way. Therefore, if a BIND 9 controller serving a parent zone has child stub zones configured, all the worker servers for the parent zone also need to have the same child stub zones configured.</p> <p>Stub zones can also be used as a way of forcing the resolution of a given domain to use a particular set of authoritative servers. For example, the caching name servers on a private network using RFC2157 addressing may be configured with stub zones for <code>10.in-addr.arpa</code> to use a set of internal name servers as the authoritative servers for that domain.</p>

Item	Description
forward	A "forward zone" is a way to configure forwarding on a per-domain basis. A zone statement of type forward can contain a forward and/or forwarders statement, which will apply to queries within the domain given by the zone name. If no forwarders statement is present or an empty list for forwarders is given, then no forwarding is done for the domain, canceling the effects of any forwarders in the options statement. Thus if you want to use this type of zone to change the behavior of the global forward option (that is, "forward first to", then "forward only", or vice versa, but want to use the same servers as set globally) you need to respecify the global forwarders.
hint	The initial set of root nameservers is specified using a "hint zone". When the server starts up, it uses the root hints to find a root nameserver and get the most recent list of root nameservers. If no hint zone is specified for class IN, the server uses a compiled-in default set of root servers hints. Classes other than IN have no built-in defaults hints.

Class

The zone's name may optionally be followed by a class. If a class is not specified, class IN (for Internet), is assumed. This is correct for the vast majority of cases.

The hesiod class is named for an information service from MIT's Project Athena. It is used to share information about various systems databases, such as users, groups, printers, and so on. The keyword HS is a synonym for hesiod.

Another MIT development is CHAOSnet, a LAN protocol created in the mid-1970s. Zone data for it can be specified with the CHAOS class.

Zone Options

allow-notify

See the description of **allow-notify** in ["Access Control"](#) on page 603.

allow-query

See the description of **allow-query** in ["Access Control"](#) on page 603.

allow-transfer

See the description of **allow-transfer** in ["Access Control"](#) on page 603.

allow-update

Specifies which hosts are allowed to submit Dynamic DNS updates for master zones. The default is to deny updates from all hosts.

update-policy

Specifies a "Simple Secure Update" policy. See ["Dynamic Update Policies"](#) on page 615.

allow-update-forwarding

Specifies which hosts are allowed to submit Dynamic DNS updates to slave zones to be forwarded to the master. The default is { none; }, which means that no update forwarding is performed. To enable update forwarding, specify `allow-update-forwarding { any; };`. Specifying values other than { none; } or { any; } is usually counterproductive, since the responsibility for update access control should rest with the controller server, not the worker server.

Note that enabling the update forwarding feature on a worker server may expose controller servers relying on insecure IP address based access control to attacks.

also-notify

Only meaningful if **notify** is active for this zone. The set of machines that will receive a DNS NOTIFY message for this zone is made up of all the listed name servers (other than the primary controller) for the zone plus any IP addresses specified with **also-notify**. A port may be specified with each **also-notify** address to send the notify messages to a port other than the default of 53. **also-notify** is not meaningful for stub zones. The default is the empty list.

check-names

This option was used in BIND 8 to restrict the character set of domain names in master files or DNS responses received from the network. BIND 9 does not restrict the character set of domain names and does not implement the **check-names** option.

database

Specify the type of database to be used for storing the zone data. The string following the **database** keyword is interpreted as a list of whitespace-delimited words. The first word identifies the database type, and any subsequent words are passed as arguments to the database to be interpreted in a way specific to the database type.

The default is "rbt", BIND 9's native in-memory red-black-tree database. This database does not take arguments.

Other values are possible if additional database drivers have been linked into the server. Some sample drivers are included with the distribution but none are linked in by default.

dialup

See the description of **dialup** in ["Boolean Options"](#) on page 600.

forward

Only meaningful if the zone has a forwarders list. The **only** value causes the lookup to fail after trying the forwarders and getting no answer, while **first** would allow a normal lookup to be tried.

forwarders

Used to override the list of global forwarders. If it is not specified in a zone of type **forward**, no forwarding is done for the zone; the global options are not used.

ixfr-base

Was used in BIND 8 to specify the name of the transaction log (journal) file for dynamic update and IXFR. BIND 9 ignores the option and constructs the name of the journal file by appending ".jn1" to the name of the zone file.

ixfr-tmp-file

Was an undocumented option in BIND 8. Ignored in BIND 9.

max-transfer-time-in

See the description of **max-transfer-time-in** in ["Zone Transfers"](#) on page 603.

max-transfer-idle-in

See the description of **max-transfer-idle-in** in ["Zone Transfers"](#) on page 603.

max-transfer-time-out

See the description of **max-transfer-time-out** in ["Zone Transfers"](#) on page 603.

max-transfer-idle-out

See the description of **max-transfer-idle-out** in ["Zone Transfers"](#) on page 603.

notify

See the description of **notify** in ["Boolean Options"](#) on page 600.

pubkey

In BIND 8, this option was intended for specifying a public zone key for verification of signatures in DNSSEC signed zones when they are loaded from disk. BIND 9 does not verify signatures on loading and ignores the option.

zone-statistics

If yes, the server keeps statistical information for this zone, which can be dumped to the **statistics-file** defined in the server options.

sig-validity-interval

See the description of **sig-validity-interval** in [“Tuning” on page 608](#).

transfer-source

See the description of **transfer-source** in [“Zone Transfers” on page 603](#)

notify-source

See the description of **notify-source** in [“Zone Transfers” on page 603](#)

min-refresh-time, max-refresh-time, min-retry-time, max-retry-time

See the description in [“Tuning” on page 608](#).

Dynamic Update Policies

BIND 9 supports two alternative methods of granting clients the right to perform dynamic updates to a zone, configured by the **allow-update** and **update-policy** option, respectively.

The **allow-update** clause works the same way as in previous versions of BIND. It grants given clients the permission to update any record of any name in the zone.

The **update-policy** clause is new in BIND 9 and allows more fine-grained control over what updates are allowed. A set of rules is specified, where each rule either grants or denies permissions for one or more names to be updated by one or more identities. If the dynamic update request message is signed (that is, it includes either a TSIG or SIG(0) record), the identity of the signer can be determined.

Rules are specified in the **update-policy** zone option, and are only meaningful for master zones. When the **update-policy** statement is present, it is a configuration error for the **allow-update** statement to be present. The **update-policy** statement only examines the signer of a message; the source address is not relevant.

This is how a rule definition looks:

```
( grant | deny ) identity nametype name [ types ]
```

Each rule grants or denies privileges. Once a message has successfully matched a rule, the operation is immediately granted or denied and no further rules are examined. A rule is matched when the signer matches the identity field, the name matches the name field, and the type is specified in the type field.

The identity field specifies a name or a wildcard name. The nametype field has 4 values: name, subdomain, wildcard, and self

Item	Description
name	Matches when the updated name is the same as the name in the name field.
subdomain	Matches when the updated name is a subdomain of the name in the name field (which includes the name itself).
wildcard	Matches when the updated name is a valid expansion of the wildcard name in the name field.

Item	Description
self	Matches when the updated name is the same as the message signer. The name field is ignored.

If no types are specified, the rule matches all types except SIG, NS, SOA, and NXT. Types may be specified by name, including "ANY" (ANY matches all types except NXT, which can never be updated).

Zone File

DOMAIN Data File, DOMAIN Reverse Data File, DOMAIN Cache File, and DOMAIN Local

Types of Resource Records and When to Use Them

This section, largely borrowed from RFC 1034, describes the concept of a Resource Record (RR) and explains when each is used. Since the publication of RFC 1034, several new RRs have been identified and implemented in the DNS. These are also included.

Resource Records

A domain name identifies a node. Each node has a set of resource information, which may be empty. The set of resource information associated with a particular name is composed of separate RRs. The order of RRs in a set is not significant and need not be preserved by nameservers, resolvers, or other parts of the DNS. However, sorting of multiple RRs is permitted for optimization purposes, for example, to specify that a particular nearby server be tried first. See [“The sortlist Statement” on page 606](#) and [“RRset Ordering” on page 607](#).

The components of a Resource Record are:

Item	Description
owner name	the domain name where the RR is found.
type	an encoded 16 bit value that specifies the type of the resource in this resource record. Types refer to abstract resources.
TTL	the time to live of the RR. This field is a 32 bit integer in units of seconds, and is primarily used by resolvers when they cache RRs. The TTL describes how long an RR can be cached before it should be discarded.
class	an encoded 16 bit value that identifies a protocol family or instance of a protocol.
RDATA	the type and sometimes class-dependent data that describes the resource.

The following are *types* of valid RRs (some of these listed, although not obsolete, are experimental (x) or historical (h) and no longer in general use):

Item	Description
A	a host address.
A6	an IPv6 address.
AAAA	Obsolete format of IPv6 address
AFSDB	(x) location of AFS® database servers. Experimental.
CNAME	identifies the canonical name of an alias.
DNAME	for delegation of reverse addresses. Replaces the domain name specified with another name to be looked up. Described in RFC 2672.

Item	Description
HINFO	identifies the CPU and OS used by a host.
ISDN	(x) representation of ISDN addresses. Experimental.
KEY	stores a public key associated with a DNS name.
LOC	(x) for storing GPS info. See RFC 1876. Experimental.
MX	identifies a mail exchange for the domain. See RFC 974 for details.
NS	the authoritative nameserver for the domain.
NXT	used in DNSSEC to securely indicate that RRs with an owner name in a certain name interval do not exist in a zone and indicate what RR types are present for an existing name. See RFC 2535 for details.
PTR	a pointer to another part of the domain name space.
RP	(x) information on persons responsible for the domain. Experimental.
RT	(x) route-through binding for hosts that do not have their own direct wide area network addresses. Experimental.
SIG	("signature") contains data authenticated in the secure DNS. See RFC 2535 for details.
SOA	identifies the start of a zone of authority.
SRV	information about well known network services (replaces WKS).
WKS	(h) information about which well known network services, such as SMTP, that a domain supports. Historical, replaced by newer RR SRV.

The following *classes* of resource records are currently valid in the DNS:

Item	Description
IN	For information about other, older classes of RRs the Internet system.

RDATA is the type-dependent or class-dependent data that describes the resource:

Item	Description
A	for the IN class, a 32 bit IP address.
A6	maps a domain name to an IPv6 address, with a provision for indirection for leading "prefix" bits.
CNAME	a domain name.
DNAME	provides alternate naming to an entire subtree of the domain name space, rather than to a single node. It causes some suffix of a queried name to be substituted with a name from the DNAME record's RDATA.

Item	Description
MX	a 16 bit preference value (lower is better) followed by a host name willing to act as a mail exchange for the owner domain.
NS	a fully qualified domain name.
PTR	a fully qualified domain name.
SOA	several fields.

The owner name is often implicit, rather than forming an integral part of the RR. For example, many nameservers internally form tree or hash structures for the name space, and chain RRs off nodes. The remaining RR parts are the fixed header (type, class, TTL) which is consistent for all RRs, and a variable part (RDATA) that fits the needs of the resource being described.

The meaning of the TTL field is a time limit on how long an RR can be kept in a cache. This limit does not apply to authoritative data in zones; it is also timed out, but by the refreshing policies for the zone. The TTL is assigned by the administrator for the zone where the data originates. While short TTLs can be used to minimize caching, and a zero TTL prohibits caching, the realities of Internet performance suggest that these times should be on the order of days for the typical host. If a change can be anticipated, the TTL can be reduced prior to the change to minimize inconsistency during the change, and then increased back to its former value following the change.

The data in the RDATA section of RRs is carried as a combination of binary strings and domain names. The domain names are frequently used as "pointers" to other data in the DNS.

Textual expression of RRs

RRs are represented in binary form in the packets of the DNS protocol, and are usually represented in highly encoded form when stored in a nameserver or resolver. In the examples provided in RFC 1034, a style similar to that used in master files was employed in order to show the contents of RRs. In this format, most RRs are shown on a single line, although continuation lines are possible using parentheses.

The start of the line gives the owner of the RR. If a line begins with a blank, then the owner is assumed to be the same as that of the previous RR. Blank lines are often included for readability.

Following the owner, we list the TTL, type, and class of the RR. Class and type use the mnemonics defined above, and TTL is an integer before the type field. In order to avoid ambiguity in parsing, type and class mnemonics are disjoint, TTLs are integers, and the type mnemonic is always last. The IN class and TTL values are often omitted from examples in the interests of clarity.

The resource data or RDATA section of the RR are given using knowledge of the typical representation for the data.

For example, we might show the RRs carried in a message as:

Item	Description	Value
ISI.EDU.	MX	10 VENERA.ISI.EDU.
	MX	10 VAXA.ISI.EDU
VENERA.ISI.EDU	A	128.9.0.32
	A	10.1.0.52
VAXA.ISI.EDU	A	10.2.0.27
	A	128.9.0.33

The MX RRs have an RDATA section which consists of a 16 bit number followed by a domain name. The address RRs use a standard IP address format to contain a 32 bit internet address.

This example shows six RRs, with two RRs at each of three domain names.

Similarly we might see:

Item	Description	Value
XX.LCS.MIT.EDU. IN	A	10.0.0.44
CH	A	MIT.EDU. 2420

This example shows two addresses for XX.LCS.MIT.EDU, each of a different class.

Discussion of MX Records

As described above, domain servers store information as a series of resource records, each of which contains a particular piece of information about a given domain name (which is usually, but not always, a host). The simplest way to think of an RR is as a typed pair of datum, a domain name matched with relevant data, and stored with some additional type information to help systems determine when the RR is relevant.

MX records are used to control delivery of email. The data specified in the record is a priority and a domain name. The priority controls the order in which email delivery is attempted, with the lowest number first. If two priorities are the same, a server is chosen randomly. If no servers at a given priority are responding, the mail transport agent falls back to the next largest priority. Priority numbers do not have any absolute meaning — they are relevant only relative to other MX records for that domain name. The domain name given is the machine to which the mail is delivered. It must have an associated A record — CNAME is not sufficient.

For a given domain, if there is both a CNAME record and an MX record, the MX record is in error, and is ignored. Instead, the mail is delivered to the server specified in the MX record pointed to by the CNAME.

example.com.	IN	MX	10	mail.example.com.
		IN	MX	10
		IN	MX	10
mail.example.com.	IN	A	10.0.0.1	mail2.example.com.
mail2.example.com.	IN	A	10.0.0.2	mail.backup.org.

For example:

Mail delivery is attempted to mail.example.com and mail2.example.com (in any order), and if neither of those succeed, delivery to mail.backup.org is attempted.

Setting TTLs

The time to live of the RR field is a 32 bit integer represented in units of seconds, and is primarily used by resolvers when they cache RRs. The TTL describes how long an RR can be cached before it should be discarded. The following three types of TTL are currently used in a zone file.

Item	Description
SOA	The last field in the SOA is the negative caching TTL. This controls how long other servers will cache no-such-domain (NXDOMAIN) responses from you. The maximum time for negative caching is 3 hours (3h).
\$TTL	The \$TTL directive at the top of the zone file (before the SOA) gives a default TTL for every RR without a specific TTL set.
RR TTLs	Each RR can have a TTL as the second field in the RR, which controls how long other servers can cache it.

All these TTLs default to units of seconds, though units can be explicitly specified, for example, 1h30m.

Inverse Mapping in IPv4

Reverse name resolution (that is, translation from IP address to name) is achieved by means of the *in-addr.arpa* domain and PTR records. Entries in the in-addr.arpa domain are made in least-to-most significant order, read left to right. This is the opposite order to the way IP addresses are usually written. Thus, a machine with an IP address of 10.1.2.3 would have a corresponding in-addr.arpa name of 3.2.1.10.in-addr.arpa. This name should have a PTR resource record whose data field is the name of the machine or, optionally, multiple PTR records if the machine has more than one name. For example, in the [example.com] domain:

Item	Description
\$ORIGIN	2.1.10.in-addr.arpa
3	IN PTR foo.example.com.

Note: The **\$ORIGIN** lines in the examples are for providing context to the examples only—they do not necessarily appear in the actual usage. They are only used here to indicate that the example is relative to the listed origin.

Other Zone File Directives

The Master File Format was initially defined in RFC 1035 and has subsequently been extended. While the Master File Format itself is class independent all records in a Master File must be of the same class.

Master File Directives include **\$ORIGIN**, **\$INCLUDE**, and **\$TTL**.

The \$ORIGIN Directive

Syntax: **\$ORIGIN** domain-name [comment]

\$ORIGIN sets the domain name that is appended to any unqualified records. When a zone is first read in there is an implicit **\$ORIGIN** < zone-name > . The current **\$ORIGIN** is appended to the domain specified in the **\$ORIGIN** argument if it is not absolute.

```
$ORIGIN example.com.  
www      CNAME    MAIN-SERVER
```

is equivalent to

```
WWW.EXAMPLE.COM. CNAME MAIN-SERVER.EXAMPLE.COM.
```

The \$INCLUDE Directive

Syntax: **\$INCLUDE** filename [origin] [comment]

Read and process the file *filename* as if it were included into the file at this point. If **origin** is specified the file is processed with **\$ORIGIN** set to that value, otherwise the current **\$ORIGIN** is used.

The origin and the current domain name revert to the values they had prior to the **\$INCLUDE** once the file has been read.

Note: RFC 1035 specifies that the current origin should be restored after an **\$INCLUDE**, but it is silent on whether the current domain name should also be restored. BIND 9 restores both of them. This could be construed as a deviation from RFC 1035, a feature, or both.

The \$TTL Directive

Syntax: **\$TTL** default-ttl [comment]

Set the default Time To Live (TTL) for subsequent records with undefined TTLs. Valid TTLs are of the range 0-2147483647 seconds.

\$TTL is defined in RFC 2308.

BIND Master File Extension: the \$GENERATE Directive

Syntax: **\$GENERATE** range lhs type rhs [comment]

\$GENERATE is used to create a series of resource records that only differ from each other by an iterator. **\$GENERATE** can be used to easily generate the sets of records required to support sub /24 reverse delegations described in RFC 2317: Classless IN-ADDR.ARPA delegation.

```
$ORIGIN 0.0.192.IN-ADDR.ARPA.  
$GENERATE 1-2 0 NS SERVER$.EXAMPLE.  
$GENERATE 1-127 $ CNAME $.0
```

is equivalent to

```
0.0.0.192.IN-ADDR.ARPA NS SERVER1.EXAMPLE.  
0.0.0.192.IN-ADDR.ARPA NS SERVER2.EXAMPLE.  
1.0.0.192.IN-ADDR.ARPA CNAME 1.0.0.0.192.IN-ADDR.ARPA  
2.0.0.192.IN-ADDR.ARPA CNAME 2.0.0.0.192.IN-ADDR.ARPA  
..  
127.0.0.192.IN-ADDR.ARPA CNAME 127.0.0.0.192.IN-ADDR.ARPA  
.
```

Item	Description
range	This can be one of two forms: start-stop or start-stop/step. If the first form is used then step is set to 1. All of start, stop, and step must be positive.
lhs	lhs describes the owner name of the resource records to be created. Any single \$ symbols within the lhs side are replaced by the iterator value. To get a \$ in the output you need to escape the \$ using a backslash \, e.g. \\$. The \$ may optionally be followed by modifiers which change the offset from the iterator, field width, and base. Modifiers are introduced by a { immediately following the \$ as \$ {offset[,width[,base]]} . For example, \${-20,3,d} which subtracts 20 from the current value, prints the result as a decimal in a zero padded field of with 3. Available output forms are decimal (d), octal (o) and hexadecimal (x or X for uppercase). The default modifier is \${0,0,d} . If the lhs is not absolute, the current \$ORIGIN is appended to the name. For compatibility with earlier versions, \$\$ is still recognised as indicating a literal \$ in the output.
type	At present the only supported types are PTR, CNAME, DNAME, A, AAAA, and NS.
rhs	rhs is a domain name. It is processed similarly to lhs.

The **\$GENERATE** directive is a BIND extension and not part of the standard zone file format.

Files

Item	Description
/usr/samples/tcpip/named.conf	Contains the sample named.conf file.

ndpdh.cnf File Format for TCP/IP

Purpose

Defines the configuration file locations for the **ndpd-host** daemon and the **autoconf6** command.

Description

The **/etc/ndpd/ndpdh.cnf** file is the default configuration file for the **ndpd-host** daemon and the **autoconf6** command. If the **ndpd-host** daemon or the **autoconf6** command is started without specifying an alternate file, they will read this file for information about how to locate all of the necessary files for enabling the SEND mode.

Prerequisite: To enable the SEND mode, the **clirc.rte** files and OpenSSL must be installed.

The format of the **ndpdh.cnf** file when configuring the **ndpd-host** daemon and the **autoconf6** command is shown as follows:

Keywords	Values	Description
<i>cga-params-file</i>	Any file name	Name of the Cryptographically Generated Address (CGA) file
<i>anchor-file</i>	Any file name	Name of the trust anchor file

Files

Item	Description
/usr/samples/tcpip/send/ndpdh.cnf	Contains the sample ndpdh.cnf file

Related reference

[cgaparams.sec File Format for TCP/IP](#)

[sendh_anchor File Format for TCP/IP](#)

Related information

[ndpd-host daemon](#)

[autoconf6 command](#)

netcd.conf File Format for netcd

Purpose

Defines parameters for the **netcd** daemon.

Description

The **/etc/netcd.conf** file is the default configuration file for the **netcd** daemon. This file is part of TCP/IP in Network Support Facilities.

To change the **/etc/netcd.conf** file, run the **stopsrc -s netcd** command and then the **startsrc -s netcd** command. The **netcd.conf** file specifies the map resolvers that are cached, and supplies parameters to the **netcd** daemon.

A template of the **netcd.conf** file is provided in the **/usr/samples/tcpip** directory.



Attention: Further installations can overwrite the **/usr/samples/tcpip/netcd.conf** file. You can copy this file to another location and use it as a template to create your customized **netcd** configuration.

If you do not use any configuration files, the **netcd** daemon proceeds with the default values indicated later in this section.

There are 4 types of declarations (a declaration or statement being a line starting with one of the keywords followed by parameters):

- cache description declarations (keyword - **cache**)
- security declarations (keywords - **owner**, **group** and **home_dir**)

- log file declarations (keywords - **log_file**, **log_rotate**, and **log_size**)
- additional declarations to control the **netcd** daemon (keywords - **net_scan_frequency**, **local_scan_frequency**, and **socket_queue_size**)

Syntax

The general syntax is a string of characters that follows one or more spaces or tabs that follow the keyword, as shown in the following example:

```
cache <space><space><tab><tab> dns <space><space> local <tab><tab> foo
```

The syntax for each individual keyword is described in the following sections.

Cache description declarations

Syntax

cache <type_of_cache> <type_of_map> <hash_size> <cache_ttl>

0 to n **cache** declarations describe what is cached. If no such line is specified, the default line is `cache all all 128 60`.

The *type_of_cache* parameter can have the following values:

- **local** - local resolver
- **dns** - DNS resolver
- **nis** - nis resolver
- **nisplus** - nisplus resolver
- **yp** - yellow pages services
- **ulm** - other resolvers that you are using on your machine (if any)
- **all** - **local**, **dns**, **nis**, **nisplus**, **ulm**, and **yp** for the *type_of_cache* parameter
- a ulm name - the name of a specific resolver other than **local**, **dns**, **nis**, and **nisplus** that you installed

Any string other than **local**, **dns**, **nis**, **nisplus**, **yp**, **ulm**, and **all** is taken as a ulm name. You can declare up to 16 ulms.

The *type_of_map* parameter can have the following values:

- **hosts** - hosts map type of the resolver
- **protocols** - protocols map type of the resolver
- **services** - services map type of the resolver
- **networks** - networks map type of the resolver
- **netgroup** - netgroup map type of the resolver
- **all** - all map types applicable for the *type_of_map* parameter that you specified
- a yp map name - the name of a yellow page service from the list `passwd.byname`, `passwd.byuid`, `group.byname`, `group.bygid`, `netid.byname`, and `passwd.adjunct.byname`

The map types supported for **local**, **nis**, **nisplus** and **ulm** resolutions are **hosts**, **services**, **networks**, **protocols** and **netgroup**. For the **dns** cache, **hosts** is the only map supported.

The maps supported for **yp** are **passwd.byname**, **passwd.byuid**, **group.byname**, **group.bygid**, **netid.byname**, and **passwd.adjunct.byname**.

The *hash_size* parameter specifies the number of lines for the cache (a cache is a hash table). The default value is 128.

The *cache_ttl* parameter specifies the length of time during which an entry is kept in the cache. Its unit is minute. The value of 0 is infinite; the default value is 60. The *cache_ttl* parameter is not taken into account for local caches. For **dns**, it is not suggested to specify a non-null value, because if you specify a non-null

value, it overwrites the DNS time-to-live (TTL) sent back when DNS finds the entry. Otherwise, each entry is kept in the cache for the duration of the TTL that the DNS specifies.

Security declarations

The three following declarations allow the **netcd** daemon to run in the secure mode (for example, security against code execution because of stack overflow):

Item	Description
owner <value>	Specifies the owner of the netcd daemon during its execution. The default value is root .
group <value>	Specifies the group owner of the netcd daemon during its execution. The default value is system .
home_dir <value>	Specifies the working directory for the netcd daemon during its execution. The default value is / .

Log file declarations

Item	Description
log_file <file>	Specifies the name of the log file for the netcd daemon. The default value is /var/tmp/netcd.log .
log_rotate <number>	Specifies the number of rotations for the log file. The default is no rotation, which is specified by not including a log_rotate declaration.
log_size <number>	Specifies the size of the log file, in case of rotation, in KB.

Additional declarations

Item	Description
net_scan_frequency <value>	Specifies the scan frequency, in minutes, of the network cache for expired entries because of TTL. The default value is 1.
local_scan_frequency <value>	Specifies the scan frequency, in minutes, of the local files for modified dates. When a local file (for example, /etc/hosts) is detected as modified, the corresponding local cache is reloaded with the content of the file. The default value is 1.
socket_queue_size <value>	Specifies the size of the message queue for the socket that the netcd daemon uses to communicate with the requesting applications. This value indicates how many waiting requests the netcd daemon will accept. The default value is 256.

Examples

1. To cache only local host resolutions with a hash table of 1024 lines, use the following cache declaration:

```
cache local hosts 1024
```

2. To cache all of the local resolutions with caches of 512 lines, use the following cache declaration:

```
cache local all 512
```

3. For all protocol resolutions with a hash table of 600 lines and with an expiration of 1 day, use the following cache declaration:

```
cache all protocols 600 1440
```

4. For a david ulm for all maps with a hash table of 128 lines and with an expiration of 1 hour by default, use the following cache declaration:

```
cache david all 128
```

Netcd dns configuration for negative response

Netcd dns configuration for negative response is supported for AIX 7.1 and AIX 7.2 onwards.

Netcd can be configured to use a local TTL value for negative queries. This TTL value may be an entry in the **netcd** configuration file. This will ensure that negative responses cached by **netcd** daemon will be erased after this time interval expires.

```
cache <type_of_cache> <type_of_map> <hash_size> <cache_ttl>:<negative cache_ttl>
```

1. Cache **dns** hosts 128 obey the TTL from **dns** server for positive and negative responses
2. Cache **dns** hosts 128 20 overwrite the TTL from **dns** server for positive and negative responses
3. Cache **dns** hosts 128 20:30 overwrite the TTL from **dns** server for positive and negative responses with different TTL values
4. Cache **dns** hosts 128 0:20 overwrite the TTL from **dns** server for negative response only
5. Cache **dns** hosts 128 20:0 overwrite the TTL from **dns** server for positive response only
6. Cache **dns** hosts 128: ERROR
7. Cache **dns** hosts 128 20: ERROR
8. Cache **dns** hosts 128: 20 ERROR

Related information

[kill command](#)

[startsrc command](#)

[netcdctrl command](#)

.netrc File Format for TCP/IP

Purpose

Specifies automatic login information for the **ftp** and **rexec** commands.

Description

The **\$HOME/.netrc** file contains information used by the automatic login feature of the **rexec** and **ftp** commands. It is a hidden file in a user's home directory and must be owned either by the user executing the command or by the root user. If the **.netrc** file contains a login password, the file's permissions must be set to 600 (read and write by owner only). This file is part of TCP/IP in Network Support Facilities.

Note: The **.netrc** file is not used by any programs when the **securetcip** command is running on your system.

The **.netrc** can contain the following entries (separated by spaces, tabs, or new lines):

Item	Description
machine <i>HostName</i>	The <i>HostName</i> variable is the name of a remote host. This entry begins the definition of the automatic login process for the specified host. All following entries up to the next machine entry or the end of the file apply to that host.
default	<p>The <i>default</i> variable is the same as <i>machine</i> except that <i>default</i> matches any name. There can be only one default entry. It must be the last entry (after all machine entries); otherwise, entries that follow it will be ignored. This is normally used as:</p> <pre>default login anonymous password user@site</pre> <p>thereby giving the user automatic anonymous ftp login to machines not specified in the .netrc file. This can be overridden by using the -n flag to disable the auto-login.</p>
login <i>UserName</i>	The <i>UserName</i> variable is the full domain user name for use at the remote host. If this entry is found, the automatic login process initiates a login, using the specified name. If this entry is missing, the automatic login process is unsuccessful.
password <i>Password</i>	<p>The <i>Password</i> variable is the login password to be used. The automatic login process supplies this password to the remote server. A login password must be established at the remote host, and that password must be entered in the .netrc file. Otherwise the automatic login process is unsuccessful, and the user is prompted for the login password.</p> <p>Note: You cannot use a space when you enter the password.</p>
account <i>Password</i>	The <i>Password</i> variable is the account password to be used. If this entry is found and an account password is required at the remote host, the automatic login process supplies the password to the remote server. If the remote host requires an account password but this entry is missing, the automatic login process prompts for the account password.
macdef <i>MacroName</i>	The <i>MacroName</i> variable is the name of an ftp subcommand macro. The macro is defined to contain all of the following ftp subcommands up to the next blank line or the end of the file. If the macro is named init , the ftp command executes the macro upon successful completion of the automatic login process. The rexec command does not recognize a macdef entry.

Examples

The following is an example of an entry in a **.netrc** file:

```
machine host1.austin.century.com login fred password bluebonnet
```

Files

Item	Description
/usr/samples/tcpip/netrc	Sample .netrc file

Related information

[ftp command](#)

[rexec command](#)

[Creating the .netrc file](#)

networks File Format for TCP/IP

Purpose

Contains network name information.

Description

The **/etc/networks** file contains information about the known networks that comprise the DARPA Internet. Each network is represented by a single line in the **networks** file. The format for the entries in the **networks** file is:

Name Number Aliases

The fields are described as follows:

Item	Description
<i>Name</i>	Specifies an official network name.
<i>Number</i>	Specifies a network number.
<i>Aliases</i>	Specifies any unofficial names used for the network.

Items on a line are separated by one or more spaces or tab characters. Comments begin with a # (pound sign). Routines that search the **networks** file do not interpret characters from the beginning of a comment to the end of that line. Network numbers are specified in dotted-decimal notation. A network name can contain any printable character except a field delimiter, new-line character, or comment character.

The **networks** file is normally created from the official network database maintained at the Network Information Center (NIC). The file can be modified locally to include unofficial aliases or unknown networks. This file is part of TCP/IP in Network Support Facilities.

Files

Item	Description
/usr/samples/tcpip/networks	Contains a sample networks file, which also contains directions for its use.

Related reference

irs.conf File

Related information

[getnetent subroutine](#)

[TCP/IP name resolution](#)

nroff or troff Input File Format

Purpose

Specifies input file format for the **nroff** and **troff** commands.

Description

The **nroff** and **troff** commands format text for printing by interspersing the text with control sequences. Control sequences are either control line requests or escape requests that control text processing by the printing device.

Control lines begin with a control character followed by a one- or two-character name that specifies a basic request or a user-defined macro. Default control characters are the . (dot) or the ' (apostrophe). The

' (apostrophe) control character suppresses the **nroff** or **troff** command break function, which is caused by some requests. This break function forces output of a partially filled line. To separate the control character from the request or macro, use white space created with either a tab or the space bar. The **nroff** and **troff** commands ignore control lines with unrecognized names.

Escape requests can be inserted anywhere in the input text by means of an escape character. The \ (backslash) character is the default escape character. For example, the escape request \nr causes the contents of the number register, r, to be read.

Note: If text must begin a line with a . (dot), a zero-width character sequence (\&) must precede the control character. This is true even if the control character is preceded by an escape request. The zero-width character prevents the command from interpreting the text as a control character. See the example for an illustration of the use of a zero-width character.

Examples

To print the words .dean, enter:

```
\fB\&.dean
```

If you neglected to add the \&, the formatter would read the statement as the macro request:

```
.de an
```

Related information

[nroff command](#)

[troff command](#)

nterm File Format

Purpose

Describes terminal driving tables for the **nroff** command.

Description

The **nroff** command uses driving tables to customize its output for various types of output devices such as printing terminals, special word-processing terminals (such as Diablo, Qume, or NEC Spinwriter mechanisms), or special output-filter programs. These driving tables are written as ASCII files and are installed in the **/usr/share/lib/nterm/tab.Name** file, where the *Name* variable is the name for a terminal type.

The first line of a driving table should contain the name of the terminal, which is simply a string with no imbedded white space (any combination of spaces, tabs, and newline characters). The next part of the driver table is structured as follows:

- **bset** [*Integer*]
- **breset** [*Integer*]
- **hor** [*Integer*]
- **vert** [*Integer*]
- **newline** [*Integer*]
- **char** [*Integer*]
- **em** [*Integer*]
- **halfline** [*Integer*]
- **adj** [*Integer*]
- **twinit** [*Character String*]

- **twrest** [Character String]
- **twnl** [Character String]
- **h1r** [Character String]
- **h1f** [Character String]
- **flr** [Character String]
- **bdon** [Character String]
- **bdoff** [Character String]
- **iton** [Character String]
- **itoff** [Character String]
- **ploton** [Character String]
- **plotoff** [Character String]
- **up** [Character String]
- **down** [Character String]
- **right** [Character String]
- **left** [Character String]
- **codeset** [Character String]

The meanings of these fields are as follows:

Item	Description
bset	Specifies bits to set in the <code>c_oflag</code> field of the termio structure before output.
breset	Specifies bits to reset in the <code>c_oflag</code> field of the termio structure before output.
hor	Specifies horizontal resolution in units of 1/240 of an inch.
vert	Defines vertical resolution in units of 1/240 of an inch.
newline	Defines space moved by a new-line (linefeed) character in units of 1/240 of an inch.
char	Defines a quantum of character sizes, in units of 1/240 of an inch (that is, a character is a multiple of char units wide).
em	Defines the size of an em space in units of 1/240 of an inch.
halfline	Defines the amount of space moved by a half-linefeed (or half-reverse-linefeed) character in units of 1/240 of an inch.
adj	<p>Defines a quantum of white space, in 1/240 of an inch; that is, white spaces are a multiple of adj units wide.</p> <p>Note: If this is less than the size of the space character, the nroff command outputs fractional spaces using plot mode. Also, if the -e switch to the nroff command is used, the adj variable is set equal to the hor variable by the nroff command.</p>
twinit	Specifies a sequence of characters used to initialize the terminal in a mode suitable for the nroff command.
twrest	Specifies a sequence of characters used to restore the terminal to normal mode.
twnl	Specifies a sequence of characters used to move down one line.
h1r	Specifies a sequence of characters used to move up one-half line.
h1f	Specifies a sequence of characters used to move down one-half line.
flr	Specifies a sequence of characters used to move up one line.

Item	Description
bdon	Specifies a sequence of characters used to turn on hardware boldface mode, if any.
bdooff	Specifies a sequence of characters used to turn off hardware boldface mode, if any.
iton	Specifies a sequence of characters used to turn on hardware italics mode, if any.
itoff	Specifies a sequence of characters used to turn off hardware italics mode, if any.
ploton	Specifies a sequence of characters used to turn on hardware plot mode (for Diablo-type mechanisms), if any.
plotoff	Specifies a sequence of characters used to turn off hardware plot mode (for Diablo-type mechanisms), if any.
up	Specifies a sequence of characters used to move up one resolution unit (vert) in plot mode, if any.
down	Specifies a sequence of characters used to move down one resolution unit (vert) in plot mode, if any.
right	Specifies a sequence of characters used to move right one resolution unit (hor) in plot mode, if any.
left	Specifies a sequence of characters used to move left one resolution unit (hor) in plot mode, if any.
codeset <i>CodeSetName</i>	<p>Specifies the code set for the particular output device. <i>CodesetName</i> is any valid name for use with the iconv command. The code set defines character entries within the font description file for the character set section. The code set field is optional. If used, the code set field must follow the "left" field and precede the character set section, if provided. The default is IBM-850.</p> <p>The nroff command uses the specified <i>CodesetName</i> and the code set implied by the current locale to determine if code set conversions are necessary for the input characters. The iconv function is used to perform the code set conversion if necessary.</p>

This part of the driving table is fixed-format; you cannot change the order of entries. Entries should be on separate lines each containing two fields (no comments allowed) separated by white space; for example:

```
bset      0
breset    0
Hor       24
```

Follow this first part of the driving table with a line containing only the word `charset`, and then specify a table of special characters that you want to include. That is, specify all the non-ASCII characters that the **nroff** command knows by 2-character names, such as `\(hy`. If the **nroff** command does not find the word `charset` where it expects, it terminates processing with an error message.

Each definition after `charset` occupies one line and has the following format:

```
chname width output
```

The `chname` field is the (2-letter) name of the special character, the `width` field is its width in ems, and the `output` field is the string of characters and escape sequences to send to the terminal to produce the special character.

International Character Support

For fonts for large character sets in which most characters are the same width, as in Japanese, Chinese, and Korean, prototype characters are provided for the character set section of the **nterm** table. These prototype characters specify the width of characters of varying byte lengths. The code field for prototype character entries must contain a single `?` (question mark). The prototype character entries apply to all characters not explicitly defined on their own in the character set section. It is assumed the output device

code for characters handled via prototype characters is the same as the input code for characters (with possible codeset conversions). The following are the prototype character definitions:

X1 elsewhere.	Width	?	Represents the width of all one-byte characters not defined elsewhere.
X2 elsewhere.	Width	?	Represents the width of all two-byte characters not defined elsewhere.
X3 elsewhere.	Width	?	Represents the width of all three-byte characters not defined elsewhere.
X4 elsewhere.	Width	?	Represents the width of all four-byte characters not defined elsewhere.

If any field in the `charset` part of the driving table does not pertain to the output device, you can give that particular sequence as a null string or leave out the entry. Special characters that do not have a definition in this file are ignored on output by the **nroff** command.

You can put the `charset` definitions in any order, so it is possible to speed up the **nroff** command by putting the most used characters first. For example:

```
charset
em 1-
hy 1-
\ 1-
bu 1 +\bo
```

The best way to create a terminal table for a new device is to take an existing terminal table and edit it to suit your needs. Once you create such a file, put it in the `/usr/share/lib/nterm` directory. Then, give it the name **tab.xyz**, where the `xyz` variable is the name of the terminal and also the name that you pass the **nroff** command by way of the **-T** flag. For example:

```
nroff -Txyz
```

Files

Item	Description
<code>/usr/share/lib/nterm/tab.Name</code>	Contains terminal files.

Related information

[iconv command](#)

[nroff command](#)

[International character support in text formatting](#)

Permissions File Format for BNU

Purpose

Specifies BNU permissions for remote systems that call or are called by the local system.

Description

The `/etc/uucp/Permissions` file specifies access for remote systems that use the Basic Networking Utilities (BNU) program to communicate with the local system. The **Permissions** file contains an entry for each system the local system contacts using BNU. These entries correspond to entries in the `/etc/uucp/Systems` file or other systems files listed in the `/etc/uucp/Sysfiles` file with the same format. The **Permissions** file also contains an entry for each login ID that remote systems are permitted to use when using BNU to log into the local system.

Entries in the **Permissions** file specify:

- The login ID for a remote system

- The circumstances under which a remote system is allowed to send files to and receive files from the local system
- The commands a remote system is permitted to execute on the local system.

The access permissions set in a **Permissions** file affect remote systems as a whole. They do *not* pertain to individual users who work on those remote systems. Permissions limiting **uucico** and **uuxqt** daemon activities restrict the BNU access to a local system by *all* users on a specified remote system. The default permissions for sending and receiving files and executing commands are very restrictive. However, the file also provides options that enable you to change these defaults if you want to allow remote systems to have less restricted access to the local system.

Each entry in a **Permissions** file is a logical line. If an entry is too long to fit on the screen, make the last character in that physical line a \ (backslash), which indicates continuation, and then type the remainder of the entry on the next physical line.

Each logical line contains a required entry specifying a login ID (LOGNAME entry) or the name of a remote system (MACHINE entry), followed by optional option/value pairs separated by either spaces or tabs. Both the LOGNAME and MACHINE entries and the option/value pairs are composed of name/value pairs. Name/value pairs consist of the name of the entry or option followed by an = (equal sign) and the value of the entry or option, with no spaces allowed within the pair.

The **Permissions** file can also contain comment lines and blank lines. Comment lines begin with a # (pound sign) and occupy the entire physical line. Blank lines are ignored.

Note:

1. Access permissions set in the **Permissions** file affect all BNU communications, including those made through the mail facility or over a TCP/IP connection. Entries in a **Permissions** file do *not* affect a remote-system user with a valid login on a specified local system. Remote login commands (such as **cu**, **ct**, **tn**, or **tip**) connect to and log in on a system regardless of the restrictions set up in the local **Permissions** file. A user with a valid login ID is subject only to the permission codes established for that user's user ID (UID) and group ID (GID).
2. Examples of using the **Permissions** file are provided. The examples include issuing default or restricted access to remote systems and combining LOGNAME and MACHINE entries.

LOGNAME and MACHINE Entries

The **Permissions** file contains two types of required entries:

Item	Description
<u>LOGNAME</u>	Specifies the login IDs and access permissions for remote systems that are allowed to contact the local system.
<u>MACHINE</u>	Specifies the names and access permissions for the remote systems that the local system can contact.

Both LOGNAME and MACHINE entries specify *what the remote system can do on the local system*. LOGNAME entries take effect when a remote system contacts the local system. MACHINE entries take effect when the local system contacts a remote system. The permissions given to the remote system in the two types of entries can be the same or different.

For example, if remote system hera contacts local system zeus and logs in as uhera, the LOGNAME=uhera entry in the **Permissions** file on zeus controls what actions system hera can take on system zeus. If system zeus contacts system hera, the MACHINE=hera entry in the **Permissions** file on zeus controls what actions system hera can take on system zeus.

The most restrictive LOGNAME and MACHINE entry is an entry without any option/value pairs, which means that the remote system's access to the local system is defined by the default permissions. To override these defaults, include option/value pairs in the entry. The available options are:

- REQUEST

- **SENDFILES**
- **READ,WRITE**
- **NOREAD,NOWRITE**
- **COMMANDS**
- **VALIDATE**
- **CALLBACK**

These options allow different remote systems different types of access to the local system when using the BNU file transport and command execution programs. A LOGNAME and a MACHINE entry can be combined into a single entry when both include the same options.

LOGNAME Entry

A LOGNAME entry specifies one or more login IDs for remote systems permitted to log into the local system to conduct **uucico** and **uuxqt** daemon transactions, plus the access permissions for those remote systems. The login ID can be any valid login name. The LOGNAME entry specifies permissions for the remote system when it contacts the local system. The format of a LOGNAME entry is:

LOGNAME=LoginID[:LoginID . . .] [Option=Value . . .]

Remote systems log in with one of the IDs listed in the *LoginID* list. While logged in with that ID, the remote system has the permissions specified in the *Option=Value* list. The remote system that is calling must be listed in the **/etc/uucp/Systems** file or an alternative **uucico** service systems file specified in **/etc/uucp/Sysfiles** on the local system.

To specify more than one login ID with the same option/value pairs, list them in the same LOGNAME entry, separated by colons but without spaces. To specify multiple login IDs with different option/value pairs, list them in separate LOGNAME entries.

The most restrictive LOGNAME entry is an entry without any option/value pairs. The remote system's access to the local system is then defined by these default permissions:

- The remote system cannot ask to receive any queued files from the local system.
- The local system cannot send queued work to the calling remote system when the remote system has completed its current operations. Instead, the queued work can be sent only when the local system contacts the remote system.
- The remote system cannot send files to (write) or transfer files from (read) any location except the BNU public directory (**/var/spool/uucppublic/SystemName**) on the local system.
- Users on the remote system can execute only the default commands on the local system. (The default command set includes only the **rmail** command, which users implicitly execute by issuing the **mail** command.)

To override these defaults, include option/value pairs in the LOGNAME entry.

Note: A login ID can appear in only one LOGNAME entry. If there is a single entry for a login ID, that entry alone is sufficient for all remote systems using that login ID.

Attention: Allowing remote systems to log in to the local system with the **uucp** login ID seriously jeopardizes the security of your system. Remote systems logged in with the **uucp** ID can display and possibly modify (depending on the other permissions specified in the LOGNAME entry) the local **Systems** and **Permissions** files. It is strongly recommended that you create other BNU login IDs for remote systems and reserve the **uucp** login ID for the person responsible for administering BNU on the local system. Each remote system that contacts the local system should have a unique login ID with a unique UID.

MACHINE Entry

The **Permissions** file contains a MACHINE entry for each remote system the local system is permitted to contact. The access permissions specified in the MACHINE entry affect the remote system's access to the local system when the local system contacts the remote system. Following is the format of a MACHINE entry:

MACHINE=*SystemName[:SystemName . . .]* [*Option=Value . . .*]

OR

MACHINE=OTHER [*Option=Value . . .*]

The most restrictive type of MACHINE entry, which uses the default permissions, is:

MACHINE=*SystemName[:SystemName . . .]*

The system names are separated by a colon. The entry includes no spaces or tab characters. There are no option/value pairs, indicating that remote system access to the local system is defined by the following default permissions:

- The remote system cannot ask to receive any local system files queued to run on the calling remote system.
- The remote system cannot access (read) any files except those in the public directory on the local system.
- The remote system can send (write) files only to the local public directory.
- The remote system can execute only those commands in the default command set on the local system.

To override these defaults, include option/value pairs in the LOGNAME entry.

The *SystemName* list in a MACHINE entry may include a number of different remote systems. A MACHINE entry can also be:

MACHINE=OTHER [*Option=Value . . .*]

where the word OTHER represents a system name. This sets up access permissions for remote systems not specified in the existing MACHINE entries in a **Permissions** file. The **MACHINE=OTHER** entry is useful in these circumstances:

- When your installation includes a large number of remote systems that the local system regularly contacts for **uucico** and **uuxqt** daemon transactions
- When it is occasionally necessary to change the default command set specified in the COMMANDS option in the MACHINE entry.

Rather than create separate MACHINE entries for each of a large group of remote systems, set up one **MACHINE=OTHER** entry that includes the appropriate commands specified in a COMMANDS option entry. Then, when it becomes necessary to change the default command set, change the list of commands in only one entry rather than in numerous entries. Usually, a **MACHINE=OTHER** entry also specifies more restrictive option values for the unidentified remote systems.

Note: The local system cannot call any remote system that is not listed by name in a MACHINE entry, unless there is a **MACHINE=OTHER** entry in the **Permissions** file on the local system.

Option/Value Pairs

Option/value pairs can be used with the LOGNAME and MACHINE entries. The default permissions are restrictive, but can be changed with one or more of the option/value pairs. These options allow different remote systems different types of access to the local system when using the BNU file transport and command execution programs.

CALLBACK Option

The CALLBACK option, included in LOGNAME entries, specifies that no file transfer transactions will occur until the local system contacts the targeted remote system. The format of the CALLBACK option is either:

CALLBACK=no

OR

CALLBACK=yes

Note: If two systems both include the **CALLBACK=yes** option in their respective **Permissions** files, they cannot communicate with each other using BNU.

The default value, **CALLBACK=no**, specifies that the remote system may contact the local system and begin transferring files without the local system initiating the operations.

For tighter security, use the **CALLBACK=yes** option to specify that the local system must contact the remote system before the remote system may transfer any files to the local system.

If you include the **CALLBACK=yes** option in the LOGNAME entry, you must also have a MACHINE entry for that system so that your system can call it back. You can have a **MACHINE=OTHER** entry to allow your system to call any remote system, including the one for which the **CALLBACK=yes** option is specified.

The default value, **CALLBACK=no**, is generally sufficient for most sites.

COMMANDS Option

The COMMANDS option, included only in a MACHINE entry, specifies the commands that the remote systems listed in that MACHINE entry can execute on the local system. The format of the COMMANDS option is either:

COMMANDS=*CommandName[:CommandName . . .]*

OR

COMMANDS=ALL

The default is **COMMANDS=rmail:uucp**. Under the default, remote systems can run only the **rmail** and **uucp** commands on the local system. (Users enter the **mail** command, which then calls the **rmail** command.)

The commands listed in the COMMANDS option override the default. You can also specify path names to those locations on the local system where commands issued by users on remote systems are stored. Specifying path names is useful when the default path of the **uuxqt** daemon does not include the directory where a command resides.

Note: The default path of the **uuxqt** daemon includes only the **/usr/bin** directory.

To allow a certain remote system to execute all available commands on the local system, use the **COMMANDS=ALL** format. This specifies that the command set available to the designated remote system includes all commands available to users on the local system.

Note: The COMMANDS option can jeopardize the security of your system. Use it with extreme care.

NOREAD and NOWRITE Options

The NOREAD and NOWRITE options, used in both LOGNAME and MACHINE entries, delineate exceptions to the **READ** and **WRITE** options by explicitly forbidding access by the remote system to directories and files on the local system.

The formats of these options follow:

NOREAD=*PathName[:PathName . . .]*

NOWRITE=*PathName[:PathName . . .]*

Note: The specifications you enter with the READ, WRITE, NOREAD, and NOWRITE options affect the security of your local system in terms of BNU transactions.

READ and WRITE Options

The READ and WRITE options, used in both LOGNAME and MACHINE entries, specify the path names of directories that the **uucico** daemon can access when transferring files to or from the local system. You can specify more than one path for **uucico** daemon activities.

The default location for both the READ and WRITE options is the **/var/spool/uucppublic** directory (the BNU public directory) on the local system. The formats for these options follow:

READ=*PathName[: PathName . . .]*

WRITE=*PathName[: PathName . . .]*

The source file, destination file, or directory must be readable or writable for the other group for the BNU program to access it. Set these permissions with the **chmod** command. A user without root user authority can take away permissions granted by the READ and WRITE options, but that user cannot grant permissions that are denied by these options.

If the READ and WRITE options are not present in the **Permissions** file, the BNU program transfers files only to the **/var/spool/uucppublic** directory. However, if you specify path names in these options, enter the path name for every source and destination, including the **/var/spool/uucppublic** directory if the remote system is to be permitted access to it.

Attention: Specifications with the READ, WRITE, NOREAD, and NOWRITE options affect the security of your local system in terms of BNU transactions. The subdirectories of directories specified in the READ and WRITE options can also be accessed by the remote system unless these subdirectories are forbidden with the NOREAD or NOWRITE options.

REQUEST Option

The REQUEST option, used in both LOGNAME and MACHINE entries, enables a remote system to ask to receive any queued files containing work that users on the local system have requested to be executed on that remote system. The default is not to allow such requests.

When a remote system contacts the local system to transfer files or execute commands, the remote system may also request permission to receive any files queued on the local system for transfer to or execution on that remote system. This format of the REQUEST option permits such requests:

REQUEST=yes

The default, **REQUEST=no**, does not have to be entered. This specifies that the remote system cannot ask to receive any work queued for it on the local system. The local system must contact the remote system before transmitting files and execute commands queued on the local system to the remote system.

Use the **REQUEST=yes** option in both LOGNAME and MACHINE entries to allow remote-system users to transfer files to and execute commands on a local system on demand. Restrict access with the **REQUEST=no** option so that the local system retains control of file transfers and command executions initiated by remote systems.

Note: Entries in the **Permissions** file affect only BNU transactions. They do not affect remote-system users with valid logins on a local system.

SENDFILES Option

The default allows the local system to transfer queued work to the remote system only when the local system contacts the remote system. However, when a remote system finishes transferring files to or executing commands on a local system, that local system may try to send queued work to the calling remote system immediately. To enable an immediate transfer, use the following SENDFILES option:

SENDFILES=yes

The **SENDFILES=yes** option allows the transfer of queued work from the local to the remote system once the remote system has completed its operations. The default value, **SENDFILES=call**, specifies that local files queued to run on the remote system are sent only when the local system contacts the remote system.

Note:

1. The SENDFILES option is ignored when it is included in a MACHINE entry.
2. Entries in the **Permissions** file affect only BNU transactions. They do not affect remote-system users with valid logins on a local system.

VALIDATE Option

The VALIDATE option provides more security when including commands in the default command set that could cause damage when executed by a remote system on a local system. Use this option, specified only in a MACHINE entry, in conjunction with a COMMANDS option. The format of the VALIDATE option is:

VALIDATE=*LoginName[: LoginName . . .]*

The **VALIDATE** option verifies the identity of the calling remote system. Including this option in a **MACHINE** entry means that the calling remote system must have a unique login ID and password for file transfers and command executions.

Note: This option is meaningful only when the login ID and password are protected. Giving a remote system a special login and password that provide unlimited file access and remote command-execution ability is equivalent to giving any user on that remote system a normal login and password on the local system, unless the special login and password are well-protected.

The **VALIDATE** option links a **MACHINE** entry, which includes a specified **COMMANDS** option, to a **LOGNAME** entry associated with a privileged login. The **uuxqt** daemon, which executes commands on the local system on behalf of users on a remote system, is not running while the remote system is logged in. Therefore, the **uuxqt** daemon does not know which remote system sent the execution request.

Each remote system permitted to log in to a local system has its own spooling directory on that local system. Only the BNU file transport and command execution programs are allowed to write to these directories. For example, when the **uucico** daemon transfers execution files from the remote system **hera** to the local system **zeus**, it places these files in the **/var/spool/uucppublic/hera** directory on system **zeus**.

When the **uuxqt** daemon attempts to execute the specified commands, it determines the name of the calling remote system (**hera**) from the path name of the remote-system spooling directory (**/var/spool/uucppublic/hera**). The daemon then checks for that name in a **MACHINE** entry in the **Permissions** file. The daemon also checks for the commands specified in the **COMMANDS** option in a **MACHINE** entry to determine whether the requested command can be executed on the local system.

Security

Access Control: Only a user with root authority can edit the **Permissions** file.

Examples

The following are examples of using the **Permissions** file.

Providing Default Access to Remote Systems

1. To provide the default permissions to any system logging in as **uucp1**, enter:

```
LOGNAME=uucp1
```

2. To provide the default permissions to systems **venus**, **apollo**, and **athena** when called by the local system, enter:

```
MACHINE=venus:apollo:athena
```

Providing Less Restricted Access to Remote Systems

1. The following **LOGNAME** entry allows remote system **merlin** to read and write to more directories than just the spool directory:

```
LOGNAME=umerlin READ=/ NOREAD=/etc:/usr/sbin/uucp  
WRITE=/home/merlin:/var/spool/uucppublic
```

A system logging in as user **umerlin** can read all directories except the **/usr/sbin/uucp** and **/etc** directories, but can write only to the **/home/merlin** and public directories. Because the login name **umerlin** has access to more information than is standard, BNU validates the system before allowing **merlin** to log in.

2. The following example allows remote system **hera** unrestricted access to system **zeus**, and shows the relationship between the **LOGNAME** and **MACHINE** entries:

```
LOGNAME=uhera REQUEST=yes SENDFILES=yes READ  
=/ WRITE=/MACHINE=hera VALIDATE=uhera REQUEST=yes \COMMANDS=ALL READ=/ WRITE=
```

The remote system hera may engage in the following **uucico** and **uuxqt** transactions with system zeus:

- System hera may request that files be sent from system zeus, regardless of which system placed the call (REQUEST=yes appears in both entries);
- System zeus may send files to system hera when system hera contacts system zeus (SENDFILES=yes in the LOGNAME entry);
- System hera may execute all available commands on system zeus (COMMANDS=ALL in the MACHINE entry);
- System hera may read from and write to all directories and files under the **root** directory on system zeus, regardless of which system placed the call (READ=/ WRITE=/ in both entries).

Because the entries provide system hera with relatively unrestricted access to system zeus, BNU validates the log name before permitting system hera to log in.

Note: This entry allows unrestricted access to the local system by the remote system listed in the MACHINE entry. This entry can jeopardize the security of your system.

Combining LOGNAME and MACHINE Entries

1. Following are LOGNAME and MACHINE entries for system hera:

```
LOGNAME=uhera REQUEST=yes SENDFILES=yes  
MACHINE=hera VALIDATE=uhera REQUEST=yes COMMANDS=rmail:news:uucp
```

Since they have the same permissions and apply to the same remote system, these entries can be combined as:

```
LOGNAME=uhera SENDFILES=yes REQUEST=yes \  
MACHINE=hera VALIDATE=uhera COMMANDS=rmail:news:uucp
```

2. LOGNAME and MACHINE entries used for more than one remote system can be combined if they have the same permissions. For example:

```
LOGNAME=uucp1 REQUEST=yes SENDFILES=yes  
MACHINE=zeus:apollo:merlin REQUEST=yes COMMANDS=rmail:uucp
```

can be combined as:

```
LOGNAME=uucp1 REQUEST=yes SENDFILES=yes \MACHINE=zeus:apollo:  
merlin COMMANDS=rmail:uucp
```

Either form of the entries allows systems zeus, apollo, and merlin the same permissions. They can:

- Log into the local system as uucp1.
- Execute the **rmail** and **uucp** commands.
- Request files from the local system, regardless of which system placed the call.

Allowing Access to Unnamed Systems

To allow your system to call systems that are not specified by name in a MACHINE entry, use a MACHINE=OTHER entry as follows:

```
MACHINE=OTHER COMMANDS=rmail
```

This entry allows your system to call any machine. The machine called will be able to request execution of the **rmail** command. Otherwise, the default permissions apply.

Permissions File Entries for Three Systems

The following examples show the **Permissions** files for three connected systems:

On system venus:

```
LOGNAME=uhera MACHINE=hera \  
READ=/ WRITE=/ COMMANDS=ALL \  
NOREAD=/usr/secure:/etc/uucp \  
NOWRITE=/usr/secure:/etc/uucp \  
SENDFILES=yes REQUEST=yes VALIDATE=hera
```

On system hera:

```
LOGNAME=uvenus MACHINE=venus \  
READ=/ WRITE=/ COMMANDS=rmail:who:lp:uucp \  
SENDFILES=yes REQUEST=yes  
  
LOGNAME=uucp1 MACHINE=OTHER \  
REQUEST=yes SENDFILES=yes
```

On system apollo:

```
LOGNAME=uhera MACHINE=hera \  
READ=/var/spool/uucppublic:/home/hera \  
REQUEST=no SENDFILES=call
```

Given these permissions:

- System hera logs into system venus as uhera. It can request or send files regardless of who initiated the call and can read or write to all directories except **/usr/secure** and **/usr/sbin/uucp**. It can execute any command. However, before system venus allows any system to log in as uhera, it checks to make sure that system is hera.
- System venus logs into system hera as uvenus. After it logs in, it can read or write to all directories on system hera and can request or send commands regardless of who initiated the call. It can execute the **rmail**, **who**, **lp**, and **uucp** commands only.
- System hera logs into system apollo as uhera. After it logs in, it can send files, but requests to receive files will be denied. It can read and write only from the public directory and the **/home/hera** directory, and can execute only the default list of commands.
- System apollo logs into system hera as uucp1, since it does not have a unique login ID on system hera. It can request and send files, regardless of who initiated the call. It can read and write only from the public directory (the default) and execute only the default list of commands.

Note: The uucp1 login ID defined on system hera can be used by any remote system, not just by system apollo. In addition, the presence of the MACHINE=OTHER entry allows system hera to call machines not specified elsewhere in the **Permissions** file. If system hera calls an unknown machine, the permissions in the MACHINE=OTHER entry take effect.

Files

Item	Description
/etc/uucp/Permissions file	Describes access permissions for remote systems.
/etc/uucp/Systems file	Describes accessible remote systems.
/etc/uucp/Sysfiles file	Specifies possible alternative files for the /etc/uucp/Systems file.
/var/spool/uucppublic directory	Contains files that have been transferred.

Related information

[chmod command](#)

[mail command](#)

[Configuring BNU](#)

phones File Format for tip

Purpose

Describes connections used by the **tip** command to contact remote systems.

Description

The **/etc/phones-file** file lists the remote systems that can be contacted using the **tip** command, along with the telephone numbers used to contact those systems.

A sample **phones-file** for the **tip** command is included with the operating system. The sample file is named **/usr/lib/phones-file**. A user with root user authority can copy the sample file to the **/etc/phones** file and modify it to suit the needs of a particular site.

Any **tip** user can create an individual phones file in the format of the **phones-file** file. The individual phones file can be named with any operating system file name and placed in any directory to which the user has access. To instruct the **tip** command to use the new file, either set the **tip** command **phones** variable or set an environment variable named **PHONES**.

Systems listed in the **phones** file must also be described in the **/etc/remote-file** file, in the file specified by the **REMOTE** environment variable, or in the file specified by the **tip** command **remote** variable.

Format of Entries

The format of an entry in the **phones** file is:

<i>SystemName</i>	<i>PhoneNumber</i>
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The *SystemName* field and the *PhoneNumber* field must be separated by at least one space. More than one space can be used to improve readability.

Item	Description
<i>SystemName</i>	Specifies the name of the remote system to be contacted.
<i>PhoneNumber</i>	Specifies the telephone number, including line access codes, to be used to reach the remote system. Dashes may be used for readability.

If more than one phone number can be used to reach a certain system, make multiple entries for that system, placing each entry on a separate line.

Any line beginning with a # (pound sign) is interpreted as a comment.

Examples

1. To list phone numbers in a **phones** file, make entries similar to the following:

```
hera      1237654
zeus      9-512-345-9999
```

System **hera** is contacted using the telephone number 123-7654. To contact system **zeus**, a line-access code of 9 is followed by the telephone number 512-345-9999.

2. To define more than one phone number for the same system, make multiple entries for that system, as follows:

```
decvax    9-915-987-1111
decvax    9-915-987-2222
```

If the **tip** command cannot reach the **decvax** system using the first phone number, it attempts to contact the system using the second phone number.

Files

Item	Description
/etc/phones	Denotes complete path name of the phones file.
/usr/lib/phones-file	Contains an example phones file.
/etc/<u>remote</u>	Describes remote systems that can be contacted using the tip command.

Related information

[tip command](#)

[Communication with connected systems using the tip command](#)

Poll File Format for BNU

Purpose

Specifies when the BNU program should poll remote systems.

Description

The **/etc/uucp/Poll** file specifies when the Basic Networking Utilities (BNU) program should poll (initiate automatic calls to) designated remote computers. This file is used in conjunction with the **/var/spool/cron/crontabs/uucp** file, **uudemon.hour** command, and **uudemon.poll** command. Together, these files are responsible for initiating automatic calls to certain remote systems.

Each entry in the **Poll** file contains the name of the remote computer followed by a sequence of times when the BNU program should poll that system. Modify the times specified in the **Poll** file based on how the systems at your site are used. Specify times as digits between 0 and 23. The format of the entry is as follows:

```
SystemName Time [Time ...]
```

The fields in the **Poll** file entry must be separated by at least one space. More spaces can be used for readability. A tab character between the *SystemName* field and the first *Time* field is optional.

Note:

1. Only someone with root user authority can edit the **Poll** file, which is owned by the **uucp** program login ID.
2. Most versions of UUCP require a tab character between the *SystemName* field and the first *Time* field. In BNU, either a tab or spaces will work.

Examples

Following is a standard entry in the **Poll** file:

```
hera <TAB> 0 4 8 12 16 20
```

This entry specifies that the local system will poll the remote system **hera** every 4 hours.

The tab character can be replaced by one or more spaces. Thus the preceding entry is equivalent to the following one:

```
hera    0 4 8 12 16 20
```

Files

Item	Description
/etc/locks	Contains lock files that prevent multiple uses of devices and multiple calls to systems.
/var/spool/cron/crontabs/uucp	Schedules BNU jobs for the cron daemon.
Related information	
uucpadm command	
cron command	
Configuring BNU	

profile File Format

Purpose

Sets the user environment at login time.

Description

The **\$HOME/.profile** file contains commands that the system executes when you log in. The **.profile** also provides variable profile assignments that the system sets and exports into the environment. The **/etc/profile** file contains commands run by all users at login.

After the **login** program adds the **LOGNAME** (login name) and **HOME** (login directory) variables to the environment, the commands in the **\$HOME/.profile** file are executed, if the file is present. The **.profile** file contains the individual user profile that overrides the variables set in the **profile** file and customizes the user-environment profile variables set in the **/etc/profile** file. The **.profile** file is often used to set exported environment variables and terminal modes. The person who customizes the system can use the **mkuser** command to set default **.profile** files in each user home directory. Users can tailor their environment as desired by modifying their **.profile** file.

Note: The **\$HOME/.profile** file is used to set environments for the Bourne and Korn shells. An equivalent environment for the C shell is the **\$HOME/.cshrc** file.

Examples

The following example is typical of an **/etc/profile** file:

```
#Set file creation mask unmask 022
#Tell me when new mail arrives
MAIL=/usr/mail/$LOGNAME
#Add my /bin directory to the shell
search sequence
PATH=/usr/bin:/usr/sbin:/etc::
#Set terminal type
TERM=ltf
#Make some environment variables global
export MAIL PATH TERM
```

Files

Item	Description
/etc/profile	Contains profile variables.

Related information

[bsh command](#)
[login command](#)

protocols File Format for TCP/IP

Purpose

Defines the Internet protocols used on the local host.

Description

The **/etc/protocols** file contains information about the known protocols used in the DARPA Internet. Each protocol is represented by a single line in the **protocols** file. Each entry corresponds to the form:

Name Number Aliases

The fields contain the following information:

Item	Description
<i>Name</i>	Specifies an official Internet Protocol name.
<i>Number</i>	Specifies a protocol number.
<i>Aliases</i>	Specifies any unofficial names used for the protocol.

Items on a line are separated by one or more spaces or tab characters. Comments begin with the # (pound sign), and routines that search the **protocols** file do not interpret characters from the beginning of a comment to the end of the line. A protocol name can contain any printable character except a field delimiter, new line character, or comment character.

The protocol and alias names are case sensitive.

The lines appear as follows:

```
ip          0          #dummy for IP
icmp        1          #control message protocol
#gftp       2          #gateway^2 (not normally used)
tcp         6          #tcp
#egp        8          #exterior gateway protocol
#pup        12         #pup
udp         17         #user datagram protocol
```

Related reference

[inetd.conf File Format for TCP/IP](#)

Related information

[getprotoent subroutine](#)

[TCP/IP protocols](#)

queuedefs File Format

Purpose

Specifies the handling of **cron** daemon events.

Description

The **/var/adm/cron/queuedefs** file defines how the system handles different **cron** daemon events types. The file specifies the maximum number of processes per event type to schedule at one time, the nice value of the event type, and how long to wait before retrying to execute a process. The following event types can be scheduled by the **cron** daemon:

- **at** command events
- **batch** command events
- **crontab** command events
- **sync** subroutine events
- **ksh** command events
- **cs** command events

This file is empty as shipped, but can be modified to change how the **cron** daemon handles each event type. Each entry in the **queuedefs** file is of the form:

```
EventType.[Jobsj][Nicen][Waitw]
```

The fields are described as follows:

Item	Description
EventType	Specifies a character representing an event type. The following are valid values for the EventType field:
a	Specifies an at command event.
b	Specifies a batch command event.
c	Specifies a crontab command event.
d	Specifies a sync subroutine event.
e	Specifies a ksh command event.
f	Specifies a cs command event.
Jobsj	Specifies the maximum number of jobs the cron daemon can start at one time. The default value is 100.
Nicen	Specifies the nice value for job execution. The default value is 2.
Waitw	Specifies the time, in seconds, to wait before attempting to execute the command again. The default value is 60 seconds.

Note: You must have root user authority to modify this file.

The **at** command allows you to specify the time when a command should be run. Each command or program will be assigned a job number and will be queued in the **/var/spool/cron/atjobs** directory.

The queueing system may also be set up by defining a batch queue in the **/etc/qconfig** file and using the **enq** command to submit a job to this queue. This queue may be set up with a first-come, first-serve discipline. The following stanzas should be added to the **/etc/qconfig** file to enable this:

```
bsh
device = bshdev
discipline = fcfs
bshdev:
backend = usr/bin/sh
```

This configuration may already exist in the **/etc/qconfig** file. If you want your commands and programs to run under the Korn shell, you should change the last line in the above stanza to:

```
backend = usr/bin/ksh
```

After creating the above stanza in the **/etc/qconfig** file, enable the queue by issuing the following:

```
qchk -A
```

Programs and commands may now be run on a first-come, first-serve basis using the **enq** command. For example, to run the program PROGRAM1 from the bsh queue, enter:


```
enq -P bsh PROGRAM1
```

The flags for the batch facility and queueing are:

Item	Description
at -qa	This is for queueing at jobs.
at -qb	This is for queueing batch jobs.
at -qe	This is for queueing ksh jobs.
at -qf	This is for queueing cs h jobs.

Examples

1. To set the **at** command job queue to handle 4 concurrent jobs with a nice value of 1 and no retries, enter:

```
a.4j1n
```

2. To set the **crontab** command job queue to handle 2 concurrent jobs with a nice value of 2 and a retry in 90 seconds if the **fork** subroutine fails, enter:

```
c.2j2n90w
```

Related information

[at command](#)
[enq command](#)
[ksh command](#)
[rc command](#)

rc.net File Format for TCP/IP

Purpose

Defines host configuration for network interfaces, host name, default gateway, and static routes.

Description

The **/etc/rc.net** file is a shell script that contains configuration information. The stanzas allow you to enable the network interfaces and set the host name, the default gateway, and any static routes for the current host. This file can be used as a one-step configuration alternative to using individually the set of commands and files necessary to configure a host.

The **rc.net** shell script is run by the configuration manager program during the second phase of configuration. If TCP/IP is installed, a second script, **rc.tcpip**, is run from the **init** command after the second phase of configuration has completed and after the **init** command has started the SRC master.

Stanzas in the file should appear in the order in which they are presented here.

The **rc.net** shell script may also be run by the configuration manager program (**cfgmgr**) if **cfgmgr** is run after system configuration is completed. It is often run at other times to configure new devices that have been added to the system since boot time. If **cfgmgr** runs **rc.net**, both the configuration methods and **rc.net** itself check to see if networking devices are already in the Available state. If so, the values of device attributes are not changed to avoid overwriting any configuration changes that have been made since boot time.

If **/etc/rc.net** is run without **cfgmgr**, device attributes will be reset to the values in the ODM database regardless of the states of the devices. This allows a system's configuration to be restored to the values specified in the ODM database.

Using the Configuration Methods

These stanzas use the configuration methods for TCP/IP to manipulate the ODM database.

Configuring Network Interfaces

For each network adapter that has been previously configured, a set of stanzas is required. The following stanzas define, load, and configure the appropriate network interfaces for every configured network adapter. These configuration methods require that the interface and protocol information be entered in the ODM database, using either SMIT or high-level configuration commands such as the **mkdev** command. The network interface configuration information is held in the running system only and must be reset at each system restart.

```
/usr/lib/methods/defif >>  
$LOGFILE 2>&1  
/usr/lib/methods/cfgif $* >> $LOGFILE  
2>&1
```

The **defif** method defines the network interfaces. The **cfgif** method configures the network interfaces in the configuration database.

The second part of the stanzas indicates that output should be sent to a log file. The log file must include the full path name. If no log file is specified, the default log file is **/dev/null**.

Along with the network interface configuration, you must run the **slattach** command for SLIP connections. The **slattach** command is used to assign a TTY line to an interface for SLIP. For each SLIP interface, the **slattach** command must be executed for the appropriate TTY.

At times, when diskless clients reboot using these configuration methods they hang on LED 581. This happens because diskless clients use server disk space to store the logging information. To get the client to reboot when this happens, execute the **/usr/lib/methods/cgfig** configuration method in the client **rc.net** file that resides on the server without message logging as follows:

```
/usr/lib/methods/cfgif $*
```

Setting the Host Name, Default Gateway, and Any Static Routes

The following stanzas set the host name, default gateway, and static routes, using the **definet** and **cfginet** subroutines to alter the ODM database for the **inet0** object.

```
/usr/lib/methods/definet >>  
$LOGFILE 2>&1/usr/lib/methods/cfginet >> $LOGFILE  
2>&1
```

The second part of the stanzas indicates that output should be sent to a log file. The log file must include the full path name. If no log file is specified, the default log file is **/dev/null**.

Using Traditional Configuration Commands

These stanzas use configuration commands for TCP/IP to set configuration values.

Configuring Network Interfaces

The following stanza defines, loads, and configures the specified network interface:

```
/usr/sbin/ifconfig Interface inet  
InternetAddress up>>$LOGFILE 2 &1
```

The *Interface* parameter should specify the type and number of the interface, for example, **tr0**. The *InternetAddress* parameter should specify the Internet address of the interface, for example, **192.1.8.0**.

The last part of the stanza indicates that output should be sent to a log file. The log file must include the full path name. If no log file is specified, the default log file is **/dev/null**.

Setting the Host Name, Default Gateway, and Any Static Routes

These stanzas should follow any stanzas for the network interfaces. These stanzas use the **hostname** command to set the host name and the **route** command to define the default gateway and any static routes. The static route information is held in the running system only and must be reset at each system restart.

```
/usr/bin/hostname Hostname >>  
$LOGFILE 2>&1/usr/sbin/route add 0  
Gateway >> $LOGFILE 2>&1  
/usr/sbin/route add DestinationAddress  
Gateway >>$LOGFILE 2>&1
```

The **add** variable for the **route** command adds a static route to the host. This route can be to the default gateway (by specifying a hop count, or metric, of 0), or to another host through a gateway.

The last part of the stanzas indicates that output should be sent to a log file. The log file must include the full path name. If no log file is specified, the default log file is **/dev/null**.

Miscellaneous Functions

Use these stanzas to set the host ID and user name. By default, the host ID and user name are set to the host name. However, these stanzas can be altered to customize the host ID and user name.

```
/usr/sbin/hostid `hostname`  
/usr/bin/uname -s `hostname | sed -e 's/\..*$//'`  
>> $LOGFILE 2>&1
```

To customize these stanzas, replace the hostname entry in single quotation marks with the desired host ID or user name.

The second part of the user name stanza indicates that output should be sent to a log file. The log file must include the full path name. If no log file is specified, the default log file is **/dev/null**.

Load Network File System (NFS)

If you have the Network File System (NFS) installed on the current host, the following stanza loads and configures the NFS kernel extension:

```
if [ -x /usr/sbin/gfsinstall -a  
-x /usr/lib/drivers/nfs.ext ] ; then  
/usr/sbin/gfsinstall -a /usr/lib/drivers/  
nfs.ext >>$LOGFILE 2>&1fi
```

The last part of the NFS stanza indicates that output should be sent to a log file. The log file must include the full path name. If no log file is specified, the default log file is **/dev/null**.

Examples

1. To set up a Token-Ring interface, using the **ifconfig** command, include the following stanza:

```
/usr/sbin/ifconfig tr0 inet  
192.1.8.0 up >>$LOGFILE 2>&1
```

This stanza defines Token-Ring interface **tr0**, with the Internet address **192.1.8.0**.

2. To set the host name, using the **hostname** command, include the following stanza:

```
/usr/bin/hostname robo.austin.century.com  
>>$LOGFILE 2>&1
```

This stanza sets host name **robo.austin.century.com**. The host name in this example includes domain and subdomain information, which is necessary if the host is using the domain naming system.

3. To set up a default gateway, using the **route** command, include the following stanza:

```
/usr/sbin/route add 0
192.100.13.7 >> $LOGFILE 2>&1
```

The value 0 for the *Metric* parameter means that any packets sent to destinations not previously defined and not on a directly connected network go through the default gateway. The 192.100.13.7 address is the default gateway.

4. To set up a static route, using the **route** command, include the following stanza:

```
/usr/sbin/route add net
192.100.201.7 192.100.13.7 >> $LOGFILE 2>&1
```

The 192.100.201.7 address is the receiving computer (the *Destination* parameter). The 192.100.13.7 address is the routing computer (the *Gateway* parameter).

Files

Item	Description
/etc/rc.tcpip	Initializes daemons at each system restart.

Related information

[hostname command](#)

[ifconfig command](#)

[init command](#)

rc.ntx File Format

Purpose

Supplies configuration information for the Network Terminal Accelerator adapter card.

Description

The **/etc/rc.ntx** file invokes the **hty_load** command to load the **/etc/hty_config** file. This file can also specify a route to a gateway, using the **ntx_route** command. Also, the **rc.ntx** file enables SNMP.

The **/etc/rc.ntx** file can be used to perform different configuration tasks. For example, to supply a route to an additional gateway, add the following line immediately after the comment about additional routes, and supply an IP address for the *Destination* and *Gateway* parameters:

```
/usr/bin/ntx_route -drhp$i net Destination
Gateway
```

Following is the file as it is shipped with the software package. You can add additional commands to the file, as indicated above.

```
echo "Executing hty_load"
/usr/bin/hty_load -f /etc/hty_config
echo "Finished executing hty_load"

#
# Maximum number of Network Terminal Accelerator adapters
# supported on each workstation.
#

MAX_RHP_DEVICES=7

i=0
while [ $i -le $MAX_RHP_DEVICES ]
do
    if [ -f /etc/rhp$i.ntx_comun.conf ]; then
        echo "Configuring SNMP communities on NTX
            Adapter rhp$i"
        /usr/bin/ntx_comun -d /dev/rhp$i -f
```

```

        /etc/rhp$i.ntx_comun.conf
    fi
    if [ -f /etc/rhp$i.ntx_traps.conf ]; then
        echo "Configuring SNMP traps on NTX Adapter rhp$i"
        /usr/bin/ntx_traps -d /dev/rhp$i -f
        /etc/rhp$i.ntx_traps.conf
    fi
    if [ -f /etc/rhp$i.ntx_nms.conf ]; then
        echo "Configuring SNMP nms on NTX Adapter rhp$i"
        /usr/bin/ntx_nms -d /dev/rhp$i -f
        /etc/rhp$i.ntx_nms.conf
    fi
    if [ -f /etc/rhp$i.ntx_descr.conf ]; then
        echo "Configuring SNMP site-specific variables on
        NTX Adapter rhp$i"
        /usr/bin/ntx_descr -d /dev/rhp$i -f
        /etc/rhp$i.ntx_descr.conf
    fi
    if [ -c /dev/rhp$i ]; then
        STATE=`lsattr -E -l rhp$i -a snmp -F value`
        echo "Turning $STATE SNMP on NTX Adapter rhp$i"
        /usr/bin/ntx_snmp -d /dev/rhp$i $STATE
    fi
    # Additional routes for each NTX Adapter can be added here
    # example: /usr/bin/ntx_route -d /dev/rhp$i X.X.X X.X.X.X

    i=`expr $i + 1` # increment count

done

```

Related information

[hty_load command](#)

remote File Format for tip

Purpose

Describes remote systems contacted by the **tip** command.

Description

The **/etc/remote-file** file describes the remote systems that can be contacted using the **tip** command. When a user invokes the **tip** command, the command reads the **remote** file to find out how to contact the specified remote system. If invoked with the *SystemName* parameter, the **tip** command searches the **remote** file for an entry beginning with that system name. If invoked with the *PhoneNumber* parameter, the command searches the **remote** file for an entry beginning with **tipBaudRate**, where *BaudRate* designates the baud rate to be used for the connection.

Any **tip** user can create an individual remote file in the format of the **remote** file. The individual remote file can be named with any operating system file name and placed in any directory to which the user has access. To instruct the **tip** command to use the new file, set the **REMOTE** environment variable before issuing the **tip** command, or use the **tip** command **remote** variable.

A sample **remote** file for **tip** is included with the operating system. The sample file is named **/usr/lib/remote-file**. This sample file contains two examples, either of which is a complete **remote** file. One of the examples uses a set of general dialer definitions, followed by general system definitions, and specific systems. The second example defines each system individually.

Any user can copy the sample file to some other directory and modify it for individual use. A user with root user authority can copy the sample file to the **/etc/remote** file and modify it to suit the needs of a particular site.

Format of Entries

The general format of an entry in the **/etc/remote-file** file is a system name, baud rate, or dialer name followed by a description and one or more attributes, as follows:

SystemName[*|SystemName ...*]| *Description:Attribute[:Attribute ...]*:

OR

tip*BaudRate*|*Description: Attribute[:Attribute ...]:*

OR

DialerName[|*DialerName ...*]| *Description:Attribute[:Attribute ...]:*

The name of the system or dialer is followed by a | (pipe symbol) and a description of the system or dialer. More than one system or dialer name can be given; in this case, they must be separated by pipe symbols and precede the *Description* parameter. The last section in this list is always treated by the **tip** command as a description, not a system name.

The *Description* field is followed by a : (colon) and a list of attributes separated by colons. Each entry must also end with a colon.

An entry can be continued on the next line by typing a \ (backslash). The continuation line must begin with a : (colon) and can be indented for readability.

Any line beginning with a # (pound sign) is read as a comment line.

Note: Spaces can be used only within the *Description* parameter or in comment lines.

Attributes Used to Define Systems and Dialers

Use the following attributes to describe systems in the **remote** file:

Item	Description
at = <i>ACUType</i>	Defines the type of automatic calling unit (also known as the ACU or modem). This attribute should be specified in each entry (or in another entry included with the tc attribute) unless the system is linked to a modem. The <i>ACUType</i> must be one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• biz31f• biz31w• bix22f• biz22w• df02• df03• dn11• ventel• hayes• courier• vadic• v3451• v831
br = <i>BaudRate</i>	Specifies the baud rate to be used on the connection. The default rate is 1200 baud. This attribute should be specified in each entry or in another entry included with the tc attribute. The baud rate specified can be overridden using the tip command -BaudRate parameter.
cu = <i>Device</i>	Specifies the device for the call unit if it is different from the device defined in the dv statement. The default is the device defined in the dv statement.
du	Makes a call. This attribute must be specified in each entry or in another entry included with the tc attribute.

Item	Description
dv=Device [,Device ...]	<p>Lists one or more devices to be used to link to the remote system. If the first device listed is not available, the tip command attempts to use the next device in the list, continuing until it finds one available or until it has tried all listed devices.</p> <p>This attribute must be specified in each entry or in another entry included with the tc attribute.</p>
el=Mark	<p>Defines the mark used to designate an end-of-line in a file transfer. This setting is the same as that defined by the tip command eol variable.</p>
fs=Size	<p>Specifies the frame size. The default is the value of the BUFSIZ environment variable. This value can also be changed using the tip command framesize variable.</p>
ie=InputString	<p>Specifies the input end-of-file mark. The default setting is null value.</p>
oe=OutputString	<p>Specifies the output end-of-file mark. The default setting is a null value.</p>
pa=Parity	<p>Specifies the required parity setting for connecting to the remote system. The default setting is Even. Valid choices are: Even (7 bits, even parity), Odd (7 bits, odd parity), None (7 bits, no parity), and Graphic (8 bits, no parity).</p>
pn=	<p>Lists telephone numbers to be used to call the remote system. This entry is required if a modem is used to call a remote system, except in a tipBaudRate entry when a telephone number is entered with the tip command.</p> <p>If the tip command is invoked with the <i>PhoneNumber</i> parameter, the pn attribute in the appropriate tipBaudRate entry is ignored and the number given when the command is invoked is used instead.</p> <p>The pn attribute can be in either of the following forms:</p> <p>pn=@ Instructs tip to search the /etc/phones-file file, or the file specified with the phones variable, for the telephone number.</p> <p>pn=Number[,Number ...] Lists one or more phone numbers to be used to call the remote system.</p>
tc=Entry	<p>Refers to another entry in the file. This allows you to avoid defining the same attributes in more than one entry. If used, this attribute should be at the end of the entry.</p>
tc=DialerName	<p>Includes the specified <i>DialerName</i> entry. The <i>DialerName</i> entry must be defined elsewhere in the remote file.</p>
tc=SystemName	<p>Includes the specified <i>SystemName</i> entry. The <i>SystemName</i> entry must be defined elsewhere in the remote file.</p>

Setting Up Group Entries

Set up entries in the **remote** file in two ways. Define each system individually, giving all of its attributes in that entry. This works well if you are contacting several dissimilar systems.

Or group the systems by similarity. To do this, use two or three groups, depending on how the systems are similar. The groups can be arranged by:

- Dialer definitions, including the device, baud rate, call unit, ACU type, and dial-up connection flag.
- General system definitions, including any information that several systems have in common. Use the **tc** attribute to refer to a dialer entry.
- Specific system descriptions, which use the **tc** attribute to refer to one of the general system types or a dialer entry.

You can omit either the dialer definitions or the general system definitions, depending on the way the remote systems are grouped.

Examples

Defining a System Individually

To define a system without using the **tc=** attribute, enter:

```
vms750|ghost|NPG 750:\
:dv=/dev/tty36,/dev/tty37:br#9600:e1=^Z^U^C^S^Q^0:\
:ie=$@:oe=^Z:
```

This entry defines system vms750, which can also be referred to as ghost. The system can be accessed using either /dev/tty36 or /dev/tty37, at a baud rate of 9600. The end-of-line mark is ^Z^U^C^S^Q^0. The input end-of-file mark is @\$ and the output end-of-file mark is ^Z. Since no phone number is defined, the system is accessed over a direct connection.

Grouping Systems by Similarity

The following examples use a dialer entry and a general system entry, followed by specific system entries that refer to the general entries.

1. To define a dialer, enter:

```
dial1200|1200 Baud Able Quadracall attributes:\
:dv=/dev/cu11:br#1200:at=dn11:du:
```

This entry defines a dialer called dial1200. The dialer is connected to device /dev/cu11 and is an ACU type of dn11. The dial-up connection (du) flag is set.

2. To define a general system type and refer to a dialer entry, enter:

```
unix1200|1200 Baud dial-out to another UNIX system:\
:dv=/dev/cu11:br#1200:at=dn11:du:
$ :oe=^D:tc=dial1200:
```

This entry defines a system type called unix1200. The end-of-line mark for communication with this type of remote system is ^U^C^R^0^D^S^Q. The input end-of-file mark is %\$ and the output end-of-file mark is ^D. The dialer defined by the dial1200 entry is used.

3. To describe a specific system, enter:

```
zeus|CSRG ARPA VAX-11/780:pn=@:tc=unix1200:
```

This entry describes system zeus, which is described as a CSRG ARPA VAX-11. The **tip** command then searches the **/etc/phones** file for the telephone number (pn=@) and uses the attributes of a unix1200 system type (tc=unix1200).

Files

Item	Description
/etc/remote	Denotes the complete path name of the remote file.
/etc/phones	Lists the phone numbers used to contact remote systems.

Item	Description
/usr/lib/remote-file	Contains an example remote file.

Related information

[tip command](#)

[Communication with connected systems using the tip command](#)

resolv.conf File Format for TCP/IP

Purpose

Defines Domain Name Protocol (DOMAIN) name-server information for local resolver routines.

Description

If the **/etc/resolv.conf** file exists, the local resolver routines either use a local name resolution database maintained by a local **named** daemon (a process) to resolve Internet names and addresses, or they use the Domain Name Protocol to request name resolution services from a remote DOMAIN name server host. If no **resolv.conf** file exist than the resolver routines continue searching their direct path, which may include searching through **/etc/hosts** file or the NIS hosts map.

Note: If the **resolv.conf** file does not exist, the resolver routines attempt name resolution using the default paths, the **/etc/netsvc.conf** file, or the NSORDER environment variable.

If the host is a name server, the **resolv.conf** file must exist and contain a nameserver reference to itself as well as a default domain.

The **resolv.conf** file can contain one domain entry or one search entry, a maximum of three nameserver entries, and any number of options entries.

A domain entry tells the resolver routines which default domain name to append to names that do not end with a . (period). There can be only one domain entry. This entry is of the form:

```
domain DomainName
```

The *DomainName* variable is the name of the local Internet domain. If there is no domain or search entry in the file, the **gethostbyname** subroutine returns the default domain (that is, everything following the first period). If the host name does not have a domain name included, the root domain is assumed.

A search entry defines the list of domains to search when resolving a name. Only one domain entry or search entry can be used. If the domain entry is used, the default search list is the default domain. A search entry should be used when a search list other than the default is required. The entry is of the form:

```
search DomainName ...
```

The search entry can have up to a maximum of 1024 character strings for the *DomainName* variable. The first *DomainName* variable is interpreted as the default domain name. The *DomainName* variable is the name of a domain that should be included in the search list.

Note:

1. The domain entry and search entry are mutually exclusive. If both entries are used, the one that appears last will override the other.
2. The resolver routines require you to set the default domain. If the default domain is not set in the **/etc/resolv.conf** file, then you must set it in the *HostName* on the machine.

A nameserver entry defines the Internet email address of a remote DOMAIN name server to the resolver routines on the local domain. This entry is of the form:

```
nameserver Address
```

The *Address* variable is the dotted decimal address of the remote name server. If more than one name server is listed, the resolver routines query each name server (in the order listed) until either the query succeeds or the maximum number of attempts have been made.

The *Address* variable is the address of the preferred network on which you want the address returned. The *Netmask* variable is the netmask of the corresponding network address.

The options entry specifies miscellaneous behaviors of the resolver. The entry is of the form:

```
options OptionName
```

The *OptionName* variable can have one of the following values:

Item	Description
debug	Turns on the RES_DEBUG resolver option, which enables resolver debugging.
ndots:n	Specifies that for a domain name with <i>n</i> or more periods (.) in it, the resolver should try to look up the domain name "as is" before applying the search list.
timeout:n	Enables you to specify the initial timeout for a query to a nameserver. The default value is five seconds. The maximum value is 30 seconds. For the second and successive rounds of queries, the resolver doubles the initial timeout and is divided by the number of nameservers in the resolv.conf file.
attempts:n	Enables you to specify how many queries the resolver should send to each nameserver in the resolv.conf file before it stops execution. The default value is 4 . The maximum value is 5 .
rotate	Enables the resolver to use all the nameservers in the resolv.conf file, not just the first one.
inet6	Uses or maps IPv6 in the gethostbyname subroutine.

Entries in this file can be made using the System Management Interface Tool (SMIT), by using the **namerslv** command, or by creating and editing the file with an editor.

Examples

To define a domain host that is not a name server, enter:

```
domain abc.aus.century.com
nameserver 192.9.201.1
nameserver 192.9.201.2
```

The example contains entries in the **resolv.conf** file for a host that is not a name server.

Files

Item	Description
/usr/lpp/tcpip/samples/ resolv.conf	Contains the sample resolv.conf file.

Related information

[namerslv command](#)

[gethostbyaddr subroutine](#)

resolv.ldap File Format for TCP/IP

Purpose

Defines Lightweight Directory Access Protocol (LDAP) server information for **ldap** mechanism used by local resolver subroutines.

Description

The **/etc/resolv.ldap** file specifies the IP address of the LDAP server, which contains the name resolution database. This database is used by the local resolver subroutines to resolve symbolic host names into Internet email addresses. LDAP server specifications are obtained from **resolv.ldap** file only for the **ldap** mechanism.

Note: Although still supported, the use of the **ldap** mechanism is not recommended. Instead, the use of the **nis_ldap** mechanism is advised. For the **nis_ldap** mechanism, use the [ldap.cfg](#) file for configuring the LDAP server and other details.

However, if the **resolv.ldap** file does not exist, then the resolver subroutines continue searching their direct paths, which may include searching through a DNS server, the **/etc/hosts** file, or the NIS hosts map. In addition to the default paths, the resolver subroutines may also use the **/etc/irs.conf** file, the **/etc/netsvc.conf** file, or the **NSORDER** environment variable.

The **resolv.ldap** file contains one **ldapserver** entry, which is required, and one **searchbase** entry, which is optional. The **ldapserver** entry specifies the Internet email address of the LDAP server to the resolver subroutines. The entry must take the following format:

`ldapserver Address [Port]`

The *Address* parameter specifies the dotted decimal address of the LDAP server. The *Port* parameter is optional; it specifies the port number that the LDAP server is listening on. If you do not specify the *Port* parameter, then it defaults to 389.

The **searchbase** optional entry specifies the base DN (distinguished name) of the name resolution database on the LDAP server. This entry must take the following format:

`searchbase baseDN`

The *baseDN* parameter specifies the starting point for the name resolution database on the LDAP server. If you do not define this entry, then the **searchbase** entry defaults to `cn=hosttab`.

Example

To define an LDAP server with an IP address `192.9.201.1`, that listens on the port 636, and with a searchbase `cn=hosttab`, enter the following:

```
ldapserver 192.9.201.1 636
searchbase cn=hosttab
```

Files

Item	Description
/etc/resolv.ldap	Contains the IP address of the LDAP server.

Related reference

[hosts File Format for TCP/IP](#)

[netsvc.conf File](#)

Related information

[TCP/IP name resolution](#)

rfc1108 table

Description

An rfc1108 table contains the mapping between AIX Trusted Network labels and rfc1108 labels. This mapping is used by the AIX Trusted Network implementation of RIPS0. A sample file containing this table is stored in the **/usr/samples/tcpip/rfc1108.example** directory.

Each entry in the file must have the following fields. Each field is separated by a "|" from the one preceding it. The entry is ended by the newline character.

Item	Description
index	Tracks the maximum number of the entries and designates an entry number for each entry.
rfclable	Specifies the rfc name for the label. These names are specified in RFC1108 that the U.S. Department of Defense published.
rfcvalue	Specifies the rfc value corresponding to rfclabel . These values are specified in RFC1108 that the U.S. Department of Defense published.
ourlabel	Specifies the classification level that the AIX Trusted Network system uses. The system corresponds to the value of the rfclabel field for the purpose of translation between the RFC1108 labeling system and the local labeling system. Thus, the processing of a packet with the rfclabel field takes place at the corresponding ourlabel field. The specified classification level must be one of the classifications that are specified in the Label Encodings file that the local system uses.
valid	<p>Indicates whether datagrams, which is the information transmitted over the TCP/IP network, with labeling as specified previously are accepted or transmitted. This flag is not enforced.</p> <p>A 1 in this field indicates that datagrams labeled as specified in this entry are processed unless other conditions preclude it. This is the default value.</p> <p>A 0 in this field indicates that datagrams labeled as specified in this entry are neither accepted nor transmitted.</p> <p>All other values for this field are not valid. If more than one character is supplied, only the first character is significant.</p>

Examples

The following is an example of an rfc1108 file:

```
1|top secret|61|TOP SECRET|1
```

Files

Item	Description
<code>/usr/samples/tcpip/rfc1108.example</code>	An example of the rfc1108 ASCII table file.
<code>/etc/security/enc/LabelEncodings</code>	The system Label Encodings file.

Related information

[tninit command](#)

.rhosts File Format for TCP/IP

Purpose

Specifies remote users that can use a local user account on a network.

Description

The **\$HOME/.rhosts** file defines which remote hosts (computers on a network) can invoke certain commands on the local host without supplying a password. This file is a hidden file in the local user's home directory and must be owned by the local user. It is recommended that the permissions of the **.rhosts** file be set to 600 (read and write by the owner only). The group user and others should not have write permission for the **.rhosts** file. If write permission is granted to the group user (and others), then permission to invoke any command on the local host will not be given to the remote host. The format of the **\$HOME/.rhosts** file is:

HostNameField [*UserNameField*]

When a remote command executes, the local host uses the local **/etc/hosts.equiv** file and the **\$HOME/.rhosts** file of the local user account to validate the remote host and remote user.

Host-Name Field

The **.rhosts** file supports the following host-name entries:

```
+
HostName
-HostName
+@NetGroup
-@NetGroup
```

A + (plus sign) signifies that any host on the network is trusted. The *HostName* entry is the name of a remote host and signifies that any user logging in from *HostName* is trusted. A *-HostName* entry signifies that the host is not trusted. A *+@NetGroup* or *-@NetGroup* entry signifies that all hosts in the netgroup or no hosts in the netgroup, respectively, are trusted.

The *@NetGroup* parameter is used by Network Information Service (NIS) for grouping. Refer to the NIS **netgroup** file for more information.

User-Name Field

The **.rhosts** file supports the following user-name entries:

```
+
UserName
-UserName
+@NetGroup
-@NetGroup
```

A + (plus sign) signifies that any user on the network is trusted. The *UserName* entry is the login name of the remote user and signifies that the user is trusted. If no user name is specified, the remote user name must match the local user name. A *-UserName* entry signifies that the user is not trusted. A *+@NetGroup* or *-@NetGroup* entry signifies that all users in the netgroup or no users in the netgroup, respectively, are trusted.

The *@NetGroup* parameter is used by NIS for grouping. Refer to the NIS **netgroup** file for more information.

Examples

1. To allow remote users to log in to a local-user account, enter:

```
hamlet dewey
hamlet irving
```

These entries in the local user's **\$HOME/.rhosts** file allow users dewey and irving at remote host hamlet to log in as the local user on the local host.

2. To prevent any user on a given remote host from logging in to a local-user account, enter:

```
-hamlet
```

This entry in the local user's **\$HOME/.rhosts** file prevents any user on remote host hamlet from logging in as a local user on the local host.

3. To allow all hosts in a netgroup to log in to a local-user account, while restricting specified users, enter:

```
+@century -joe  
+@century -mary  
+@century
```

This entry in the local user's **\$HOME/.rhosts** file allows all hosts in the century netgroup to log in to the local host. However, users joe and mary are not trusted, and therefore are requested to supply a password. The deny, or - (minus sign), statements must precede the accept, or + (plus sign), statements in the list. The @ (at sign) signifies the network is using NIS grouping.

Files

Item	Description
<u>/etc/host.equiv</u>	Specifies remote systems that can execute commands on the local system.
<u>netgroup</u>	Lists the groups of users on the network.

Related reference

[pam_rhosts_auth Module](#)

[netgroup File for NIS](#)

Related information

[lpd command](#)

[rlogind command](#)

sccsfile File Format

Purpose

Describes the format of a Source Code Control System (SCCS) file.

Description

The SCCS file is an ASCII file consisting of the following logical parts:

Item	Description
<u>Checksum</u>	The logical sum of all characters except the characters in the first line
<u>Delta table</u>	Information about each delta including type, SCCS identification (SID) number, date and time of creation, and comments about the delta
<u>User Names</u>	Login names, group names, or numerical group IDs of users who are allowed to add or remove deltas from the SCCS file
<u>Header flags</u>	Flags defining how some SCCS commands work with the SCCS file, or defining values for identification keywords in the file
<u>Comments</u>	Descriptive information about the file
<u>Body</u>	The actual text lines intermixed with control lines

Note: Several lines in an SCCS file begin with the ASCII SOH (start-of-heading) character (octal 001). This character is called the *control character* and is represented graphically as the @ (at sign) in the following text. Any line described in the following text that does not begin with the control character contains text from the source file. Text lines cannot begin with the control character.

Checksum

The checksum is the first line of an SCCS file. This line has the following format:

@hNumber

The control character and variables in the checksum line have the following meanings:

Item	Description
@h	Designates a magic number of 064001 octal (or 0x6801).
Number	Represents the logical sum of all characters in the SCCS file (not including the characters in this line). It is recalculated each time the SCCS file is updated with SCCS commands, and is used to detect possibly damaging changes made to an SCCS file by non-SCCS commands.

Delta Table

Each time a group of changes, known as a delta, is made to an SCCS file, the delta table creates a new entry. Each entry contains descriptive information about the delta. The @s (at sign, letter s) character defines the beginning of a delta table entry, and the @e (at sign, letter e) character defines the end of the entry. For each delta created, there is a delta table entry in the following format:

```
@s NumberLinesInserted/NumberLinesDeleted/NumberLinesUnchanged
@d DeltaType SIDDate Time UserID Number PreNumber
@i NumbersIncluded . . .
@x NumbersExcluded . . .
@g NumbersIgnored . . .
@m ModificationRequestNumber
@c Comments . . .
```

The control characters and variables in the delta table entries have the following meanings:

Item	Description
@s	Designates the first line of each entry, which contains the number of lines inserted, deleted, and unchanged from the previous delta.
@d	Designates the second line of each entry, which contains the following variables: <div>DeltaType Type of delta. The letter d designates a normal delta; the letter r designates a delta that has been removed with the rmDEL command.</div> <div>SID SCCS ID (SID) of the delta.</div> <div>Date Date, in the YY/MM/DD format, that the delta was created.</div> <div>Time Time, in the HH:MM:SS format, that the delta was created.</div> <div>UserID Login name that corresponds to the real user ID at the time the delta was created.</div> <div>Number Serial numbers of the delta.</div> <div>PreNumber Serial numbers of the delta's predecessor.</div>

Item	Description
@i	Indicates the serial numbers of the deltas that are included in the creation of this delta by using the get command with the -i flag. This line can contain several delta numbers and is optional.
@x	Indicates the serial numbers of the deltas that were excluded from the creation of this delta by using the get command with the -x flag. This line can contain several delta numbers and is optional.
@g	Indicates the serial numbers of the deltas that were ignored in the creation of this delta by using the delta command with the -g flag. This line can contain several delta numbers and is optional.
@m	Indicates a modification request (MR) number associated with the delta. There can be several MR lines in an SCCS file, each one containing a different MR number. These lines are optional.
@c	Comment lines associated with the delta. There can be several comment lines in an SCCS file. These lines are optional.
@e	Ends the delta table entry.

User Names

This section of the file contains the list of login names, group names, or numerical group IDs of users who can add deltas to the file. The names and IDs are separated by new-line characters. This section uses the following control characters:

Item	Description
@u	A bracketing line that indicates the beginning of a user-name list. This line appears before the first line in the list.
@U	A bracketing line that indicates the end of a user name list. This line appears after the last line in the list.

An empty list allows any user to make a delta. The list is changed using the **admin** command with the **-a** or **-e** flag.

Header Flags

Flags control commands and define keywords used internally in the SCCS. Header flags are set using the **admin** command with various flags. The format of each line is:

```
@f Flag Text
```

The control character and variables in the header flags section have the following meanings:

Item	Description
@fb	Branch. Allows the use of the -b flag of the get command to cause a branch in the delta tree.
@fc	Ceiling. Defines the highest release number from 0 through 9999 that can be retrieved by a get command for editing. This release number is called the <i>ceiling release number</i> .
@fd	Default SCCS ID. Defines the default SID to be used when one is not specified with a get command. When this flag is not set, the get command uses the most recently created delta.
@ff	Floor. Defines the lowest release number from 0 through 9999 that can be retrieved by a get command for editing. This release number is called the <i>floor release number</i> .

Item	Description
@fi	ID keywords. Controls the No ID keywords error warning message. When this flag is not set, the message is only a warning. When this flag is set, the absence of ID keywords causes an error and the delta fails.
@fj	Joint edit. Causes the get command to allow concurrent edits of the same base SID.
@fl	Lock releases. Defines a list of releases that cannot be edited with the get command using the -e flag.
@fm	Module name. Defines the replacement of a module name for the 11 identification keyword. This value is used to override the default.
@fn	No changes. Causes the delta command to insert null deltas (delta entries with no changes) for any skipped releases when a delta for a new release is created. For example, delta 5.1 is created after delta 2.1, skipping releases 3 and 4. When this flag is omitted, skipped releases are omitted from the delta table.
@fq	User-defined flag. Defines the replacement of the identification keyword.
@ft	Type of program. Defines the replacement of the identification keyword.
@fv	Program name. Controls prompting for MR numbers in addition to comments on delta creation. If a value is assigned, it defines an MR number validity-checking program.

Comments

When comments are taken from a file containing descriptive text by using the **admin** command with the **-t** flag option, the contents of that file are displayed in the comments section. Typically, the comments section contains a description of the purpose of the entire file and uses the following control characters:

Item	Description
@t	A bracketing line that indicates the beginning of the comments section. This line appears before the first comment line.
@T	A bracketing line that indicates the end of the comments section. This line appears after the last comment line.

Body

The body consists of two types of lines: control lines and text lines. Control lines bracket text lines. The text lines contain pieces of text that were inserted or deleted for a particular version of the file. The control lines that bracket a piece of text indicate whether a piece of text was inserted or deleted, and in what version. When a particular version of a file is created from the SCCS file, the control lines identify the pieces of text that should be added or deleted for that version of the file.

Control lines can be nested within one another, so the same portion of text can be bracketed by several sets of control lines. The body of a long SCCS file can be very complicated. The SCCS commands, however, provide a better way to understand the different versions of an SCCS file.

Item	Description
@I <i>Number</i>	Indicates an insert control line. The <i>Number</i> variable indicates the serial number that corresponds to the delta for the control line. Text inserted between this control line and an end control line with the same serial number was inserted as part of the delta that corresponded to the same serial number.
@D <i>Number</i>	Indicates a delete control line. The <i>Number</i> variable indicates the serial number that corresponds to the delta for the control line is indicated by the <i>Number</i> variable. Text deleted between this control line and an end control line with the same serial number was deleted as part of the delta that corresponded to the same serial number.

Item	Description
@E <i>Number</i>	Indicates an end control line. The serial number that corresponds to the delta for the control line is indicated by the <i>Number</i> variable. This indicates the end of a section of text to be inserted or deleted.

Within the text are also identification keywords that are specific to the SCCS file system. These keywords represent identifying information about the SCCS file. When using the **get** command without the **-e** or **-k** flag, these keywords will be replaced by their values. Because different versions have different identifying information, the identification keywords provide an easy way for the SCCS file system to provide the correct identifying information for any version of the file requested by the **get** command. Keywords can be used to provide several kinds of information:

- Version identification information:

Keyword	Value
%M%	Module name; the value of the m header flag in the SCCS file
%I%	SID (1, 1, 0, 0)
%R%	Release
%L%	Level
%B%	Branch
%S%	Sequence

- Time and date information:

Keyword	Value
11/10/24	Date of the current get command (YY/MM/DD)
10/24/11	Date of the current get command (MM/DD/YY)
01:02:56	Time of the current get command (HH:MM:SS)
11/05/10	Date newest applied delta was created (YY/MM/DD)
5/10/11	Date newest applied delta was created (MM/DD/YY)
06:12:56	Time <i>newest applied</i> delta was created (HH:MM:SS)

- Name information:

Keyword	Value
/family/aix/vc/8/9/7/3/s.11	SCCS file name
/family/aix/vc/8/9/7/3/s.11	Full path name of the SCCS file

- Flag values:

Keyword	Value
-q	Value of the -q header flag in the SCCS file.
-t	Module type; the value of the -t header flag in the SCCS file.

- Line numbers:

Keyword	Value
562	The current line number. This keyword identifies message output by the program. It should not be used on every line to provide sequence numbers.

- Constructing **what** strings:

Keyword

`src/idd/en_US/files/aixfiles/sccsfile.ide, idaixfiles, idd71D`

`@(#) 11 1.14@(#)`

`@(#)`

Value

A shorthand notation for constructing **what** strings for program files specific to other operating systems. Its value equals the following key letters:

```
src/idd/en_US/files/aixfiles/sccsfile.ide, idaixfiles, idd71D =
@(#)11<tab>1.14
```

Another shorthand notation for constructing **what** strings for program files specific to this operating system. Its value is the characters and key letters:

`@(#) 11 1.14@(#) = @(#) 11 1.14 @(#)`

The 4-character string `@(#)` (at sign, left parenthesis, pound sign, right parenthesis) recognized by the **what** command.

Related information

[Source Code Control System \(SCCS\) Overview](#)

[admin command](#)

[rmdel command](#)

sendh_anchor File Format for TCP/IP

Purpose

Defines the trusted anchor for the **ndpd-host** daemon.

Description

The `/etc/ndpd/sendh_anchor` file is the default trust anchor file for the **ndpd-host** daemon. If the **ndpd-host** daemon is started without specifying an alternate file through the `/etc/ndpd/ndpdh.cnf` file or a user-specified configuration file, the application will read the `/etc/ndpd/sendh_anchor` file for information about the trust anchor.

The format of the **sendh_anchor** file when configuring the **ndpd-host** daemon is shown as follows:

Keyword	Value	Description
-----BEGIN CERTIFICATE----- <value>-----END CERTIFICATE-----	Certificate of the trust anchor	Certificate to be used to validate Router Advertisements.

Files

Item	Description
<code>/usr/samples/tcpip/send/ sendh_anchor</code>	Contains the sample sendh_anchor file.

Related reference

[cgaparams.sec File Format for TCP/IP](#)

[ndpdh.cnf File Format for TCP/IP](#)

Related information

[ndpd-host daemon](#)

[tempaddr.conf File Format for TCP/IP](#)

sendr_anchor File Format for TCP/IP

Purpose

Defines the trusted anchors for the **ndpd-router** daemon.

Description

The **/etc/ndpd/sendr_anchor** file is the trust anchor file for the **ndpd-router** daemon.

The keywords, values and the corresponding meaning of each value of the **sendr_anchor** file for configuring the **ndpd-hostis** are shown as follows:

Keyword	Value	Description
-----BEGIN CERTIFICATE----- <value>-----END CERTIFICATE-----	an X509v3 type certificate	One or more certificates of a chain, starting from the certificate of the topmost router to the certificate of this router.
-----BEGIN RSA PRIVATE KEY----- <value> -----END RSA PRIVATE KEY-----	private key for this router	Private key that corresponds to the public key embedded in the certificate of this router. This keyword must be the last entry in the file, which follows the certificate of this router.

Files

Item	Description
/usr/samples/tcpip/send/sendr_anchor	Contains the sample sendr_anchor file.

Related information

[ndpd-router Daemon](#)

services File Format for TCP/IP

Purpose

Defines the sockets and protocols used for Internet services.

Description

The **/etc/services** file contains information about the known services used in the DARPA Internet network. Each service is listed on a single line corresponding to the form:

ServiceName PortNumber/ProtocolName Aliases

These fields contain the following information:

Item	Description
<i>ServiceName</i>	Specifies an official Internet service name.
<i>PortNumber</i>	Specifies the socket port number used for the service.
<i>ProtocolName</i>	Specifies the transport protocol used for the service.
<i>Aliases</i>	Specifies a list of unofficial service names.

Items on a line are separated by spaces or tabs. Comments begin with a # (pound sign) and continue until the end of the line.

The service and alias names are case sensitive.

If you edit the **/etc/services** file, run the **refresh -s inetd** or **kill -1 InetdPID** command to inform the **inetd** daemon of the changes.

Examples

Entries in the **services** file for the **inetd** internal services may look like this:

```

echo          7/tcp
echo          7/udp
discard       9/tcp      sink null
discard       9/udp      sink null
daytime       13/tcp
daytime       13/udp
chargen       19/tcp      ttytst source
chargen       19/udp      ttytst source
ftp           21/tcp
time          37/tcp      timeserver
time          37/udp      timeserver

```

Related reference

[inetd.conf File Format for TCP/IP](#)

Related information

[getservent subroutine](#)

[Object Data Manager \(ODM\) Overview for Programmers](#)

setmaps File Format

Purpose

Defines the text of a code-set map file and a terminal map file.

Description

The text of a code set map file consists of a description of the code set. The text of a terminal map file consists of a set of rules.

Code-Set Map File

The text of a code set map file is a description of the code set. It specifies the optional [converter modules](#) to push on the stream. The code set map file is located in the **/usr/lib/nls/csmmap** directory. Its name is the code set name.

The code set map file contains the following lines:

Item	Description
Name :	<i>name</i>
Type :	M S
Multibyte handling :	EUC
ioctl EUC_WSET :	<i>w1:d1, w2:d2, w3:d3</i>
lower converter :	/usr/lib/drivers/lwconv
upper converter :	/usr/lib/drivers/upconv

The lines have the following meaning:

Item	Description
Name	Specifies the code set name. It is also the code set map file name.
Type	Specifies the code set type. It can be one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> M Denotes a multibyte code set. S Denotes a single byte code set.

Item	Description
Multibyte handling	Specifies the type of multibyte handling of the code set. This line is required only if Type is M . It must be EUC , denoting an EUC multibyte code set.
ioctl EUC_WSET	Specifies the parameters for the EUC_WSET ioctl operation. This line is required only if Type is M . The <i>w1</i> , <i>w2</i> , and <i>w3</i> parameters specify the memory width of the code set; the <i>d1</i> , <i>d2</i> , and <i>d3</i> parameters specify the screen width of the code set.
lower converter	
upper converter	Specifies the <u>lower and upper converters</u> to use on the stream. This line is required only if the code set is a non-EUC multibyte code set.

For example, the code set map file for the ISO 8859-1 code set would contain the following lines:

```
Name:  ISO8859-1
Type:  S
```

Another example: the code set map file for the IBM-943 code set would contain the following lines:

```
Name :      IBM-943
Type :      M
Multibyte handling :  EUC
ioctl EUC_WSET :      2:2,1:1,2:2
lower converter :      /usr/lib/drivers/lc_sjis
upper converter :      /usr/lib/drivers/up_sjis
```

Terminal Map File

The text of a terminal map file is a set of rules. Each rule has the following format:

```
pattern:replacement
```

The size of the input pattern string is limited to 10 characters in length and the size of the replacement pattern string is limited to 16 characters in length.

The pattern string can include the following special characters:

Item	Description
?	Matches any single byte.
@x	Matches this rule only if the pattern processor is in state <i>x</i> , where <i>x</i> is any single byte. (This sequence does not match a character in the input buffer.)
\?, \@, or \\\	Prevents the pattern processor from interpreting ? (question mark), @ (at sign), or \ (backslash) as special characters.
\ddd	Represents any byte in octal notation.
\xdd	Represents any byte in hexadecimal notation.

The replacement string can include the following special characters:

Item	Description
\$n	Uses the <i>n</i> th character in the input string that matched this pattern, where <i>n</i> is a decimal digit.
@x	Moves the pattern processor into state <i>x</i> . (This sequence does not become part of the replacement string.)
\\$, \@, or \\\	Prevents the pattern processor from interpreting \$, @, or \ as special characters.

Item	Description
<code>\ddd</code>	Represents any byte in octal notation.
<code>\xdd</code>	Represents any byte in hexadecimal notation.

Files

Item	Description
<code>/usr/lib/nls/csmmap/sbcs</code>	Code set map for a single-byte code page
<code>/usr/lib/nls/csmmap/IBM-943</code>	Code set map for the IBM-943 code page
<code>/usr/lib/nls/csmmap/IBM-eucJP</code>	Code set map for the IBM-eucJP code page
<code>/usr/lib/nls/csmmap/IBM-eucKR</code>	Code set map for the IBM-eucKR code page
<code>/usr/lib/nls/csmmap/IBM-eucTW</code>	Code set map for the IBM-eucTW code page
<code>/usr/lib/nls/termmap/*.in</code>	Input map files
<code>/usr/lib/nls/termmap/*.out</code>	Output map files

Related reference

[eucioctl.h File](#)

Related information

[setmaps command](#)

[setcsmmap subroutine](#)

simprof File Format

Purpose

Specifies PC Simulator startup options.

Description

When you start PC Simulator with the **pcsim** command, PC Simulator searches for a profile of startup options. The profile used by PC Simulator is the **simprof** file format. It is a pure ASCII text file that you can edit with any text editor.

You can specify the name of a profile with the **-profile** flag at the **pcsim** command. If you do not enter a **-profile** flag, PC Simulator searches for the **simprof** default profile. This sample profile, included with PC Simulator, is located in the `/usr/lpp/pcsim/samples` directory.

You can define more than one profile. These profiles can be for different users or for starting PC Simulator with different options. PC Simulator first searches for the specified profile in the current working directory, then in the **\$HOME** directory, and finally in the `/usr/lpp/pcsim` directory. To operate with only one profile, you can copy the **simprof** sample profile to one of these directories, and edit it to set the options you want.

Even if PC Simulator finds a profile, it searches all three directories. It can, therefore, find more than one profile with the same file name. If this happens, PC Simulator accumulates options from each profile. It overlays values for the same option in each profile and uses the last value it reads. You can set options with flags from the command line that override any options in a profile.

Examples

A simulator profile resembles an AIXwindows default profile. Options are listed by flag name, followed by a **:** (colon), then a parameter value. The **simprof** sample profile included with PC Simulator is similar to this example, except that it includes no parameter values.

If an option is not listed or no value is specified, PC Simulator starts with the default value for this option. A blank space between the colon and parameter value is optional. Any text following a # (pound sign) is a comment. PC Simulator expands environment variables inside the **simprof** file.

Note: If there is no diskette drive present, the entries for Adiskette and Bdiskette should be removed from the profile. If there is only one diskette drive present, the entry for Bdiskette should be removed from the profile.

```
Cdrive      : /home/dos1/txt.fil  # select file /home/dos1/txt.fil
                                   # for fixed disk C:
Ddrive      : /home/dos2          # select directory /home/dos2
                                   # for fixed disk D:
permission  : 666                 # read/write permissions to
                                   # all users for files saved
                                   # to fixed disk
Adiskette   : 3                   # select 3.5-inch diskette drive
Bdiskette   :                     # no B diskette drive selected
dtime       : 5                   # release diskette drive to
                                   # AIX after 5 seconds
display     :                     # use default AIXwindows
                                   # server, unix:0
dmode       : V                   # select VGA display mode
geometry    :                     # use default window size
                                   # & position, 720x494+152+265
iconGeometry : =64X64+10+10      # size and position of icon
iconName    :                     # use default, pcsim
kbdmap      :                     # no file selected
name        : BUDGET              # name in window title bar
refresh     : 100                 # refresh display every
                                   # 100 milliseconds
lpt1        : lp0                 # emulate DOS lpt1 with AIX lp0
lpt2        :                     # none selected
lpt3        :                     # none selected
mouse       : com1                # emulate Microsoft serial mouse
ptime       : 30                  # print job file buffering
                                   # time out after 30 seconds
xmemory     : 1024                # provide 1MB extended memory
```

Files

Item	Description
/usr/lpp/pcsim/samples/simprof	Contains an example startup profile.

Standard Resource Record Format for TCP/IP

Purpose

Defines the format of lines in the **named** data files.

Description

Records in the **named** files are called *resource records*. Files using the standard resource record format are:

- **DOMAIN data** file
- **DOMAIN reverse data** file
- **DOMAIN cache** file
- **DOMAIN local** file

Resource records in the **named** files have the following general format:

{Name} {TTL} AddressClass RecordType RecordSpecificData

Field Definitions

<i>Name</i>	Varies depending on the <i>RecordType</i> field. The <i>Name</i> field can specify the name of a domain, a zone of authority, the name of a host, the alias of a host or of a mailbox, or a user login ID. The <i>Name</i> field must begin in column one. If this field is left blank, the name defaults to the value of the previous resource record.
<i>TTL</i>	Time to live. This specifies how long the record is stored in the database. If this field is left blank, the time to live defaults to the time to live specified in the start of authority record. This field is optional.
<i>AddressClass</i>	Address class of the record. There are three valid entries for this field: ANY for all address classes, IN for Internet, and CHAOS for Chaos net.
<i>RecordType</i>	The type of resource record. Valid record types are:
<u>SOA</u>	Start of authority record
<u>NS</u>	Name server record
<u>A</u>	Address record
<u>HINFO</u>	Host information record
<u>WKS</u>	Well-known services record
<u>CNAME</u>	Canonical name record
<u>PTR</u>	Domain name pointer record
<u>MB</u>	Mailbox record
<u>MR</u>	Mail rename name record
<u>MINFO</u>	Mailbox information record
<u>MG</u>	Mail group member record
<u>MX</u>	Mail exchanger record
	Details and examples of record types are given below.
<i>RecordSpecificData</i>	These fields are dependent on the <i>RecordType</i> field.

Although case distinctions are kept when loading databases, all queries to the name server database are case insensitive.

The following characters have special meanings:

Special Characters

.	If used in the <i>Name</i> field, a . (period) indicates the current domain. Note: Use the . (period) at the end of resource records to append the path of the current domain.
..	If used in the <i>Name</i> field, two periods indicate the null domain name of the root domain.
@	If used in the <i>Name</i> field, an @ (at sign) indicates the current origin.

Special Characters

<code>\X</code>	Where X is any character except numbers 0 through 9 or the character . (period), a backslash preceding a character indicates that the character's special meaning should not be used. For example, <code>\@</code> (backslash, at sign) can be used to put an @ character in the label of an entry in the <i>Name</i> field.
<code>\DDD</code>	<p>Where each D is any number between 0 and 9. Each number is identified as the binary octet corresponding to the number. These octets are not checked for special meaning.</p> <p>Note: The <code>\DDD</code> character is not used in the <i>Name</i> field of a resource record.</p>
<code>()</code>	Parentheses indicate that data broken into more than one line should be grouped together. The <code>()</code> (parentheses) are currently used in the SOA and WKS resource records.
<code>;</code>	Indicates a comment line. All characters after the <code>;</code> (semicolon) are ignored.
<code>*</code>	<p>An <code>*</code> (asterisk) indicates wildcards.</p> <p>Note: The <code>*</code> (asterisk) character is not used in the <i>Name</i> field of a resource record.</p>

There are two special types of lines that are not data lines. Instead they specify special processing. These lines are the **\$INCLUDE** and **\$ORIGIN** lines.

Special Types of Lines

\$INCLUDE <i>FileName</i>	<p>This line begins in column one and is followed by a file name. It indicates that the specified file should be included in the name server database. This is useful in separating different types of data into multiple files. For example:</p> <pre>\$INCLUDE /usr/named/data/mailbox</pre> <p>indicates that this file should be loaded into the name server's database. Data files specified by the \$INCLUDE line are not treated differently from any other named data file.</p>
\$ORIGIN <i>OriginName</i>	<p>This line begins in column one and is followed by the name of a domain. This line indicates that the origin from more than one domain in a data file should be changed.</p>

Resource Record Types

Following is a list of the resource record types used in the **named** data files:

- Start of authority record
- [Name server record](#)
- [Address record](#)
- [Host information record](#)
- [Well-known services record](#)
- [Canonical name record](#)
- [IN-ADDR.ARPA record](#)
- [Domain-name pointer record](#)
- [Gateway PTR record](#)

- [Mailbox record](#)
- [Mail rename name record](#)
- [Mailbox information record](#)
- [Mail group member record](#)
- [Mail exchanger record](#)

Start of Authority Record

The start of authority (**SOA**) record indicates the start of a zone of authority. There should be only one start of authority record per zone, indicated by a value of **SOA** in the *RecordType* field. However, the **SOA** record for the zone should be in each **named.data** and **named.rev** file on each name server in the zone. Its structure corresponds to the following format:

```
{Name}{TTL} AddressClass RecordType Origin PersonInCharge @ IN SOA merl.century.com
jane.merl.century.com (1.1 ;Serial 3600 ;Refresh 600 ;Retry 3600000 ;Expire 86400) ;Minimum
```

Fields

Item	Description
<i>Name</i>	Name of the zone.
<i>TTL</i>	Time to live.
<i>AddressClass</i>	Internet (IN).
<i>RecordType</i>	Start of authority (SOA).
<i>Origin</i>	Name of the host on which this data file resides.
<i>PersonInCharge</i>	Person responsible for keeping the data file current. The format is similar to a mailing address, but the @ (at sign) that normally separates the user from the host name is replaced by a . (period).
<i>Serial</i>	Version number of this data file. This number should be incremented each time a change is made to the data. The upper limit for the number to the right of the decimal point is 9999.
<i>Refresh</i>	The number of seconds after which a secondary name server checks with the primary name server to see if an update is needed. A suggested value for this field is 3600 (1 hour).
<i>Retry</i>	The number of seconds after which a secondary name server is to retry after a refresh attempt fails. A suggested value for this field is 600 (10 minutes).
<i>Expire</i>	The upper limit in seconds that a secondary name server can use the data before it expires because it has not been refreshed. This value should be fairly large, and a suggested value is 3600000 (42 days).
<i>Minimum</i>	The minimum time, in seconds, to use as time-to-live values in resource records. A suggested value is 86400 (one day).

Name Server Record

The name server record specifies the name server responsible for a given domain. There should be one name server record for each primary server for the domain, indicated by a value of **NS** in the *RecordType* field. The name server record can be in the **named.data** file, the **named.rev** file, the **named.ca** file, and the **named.local** file. Its structure corresponds to the following format:

```
{Name} {TTL} AddressClass RecordType NameServerName
```

```
IN      NS      arthur.century.com
```

Fields

Item	Description
<i>Name</i>	Indicates the domain serviced by the specified name server. In this case, the domain defaults to the value in the previous resource record.
<i>TTL</i>	Time to live.
<i>AddressClass</i>	Internet (IN).
<i>RecordType</i>	Name server (NS).
<i>NameServerName</i>	The name server responsible for the specified domain.

Address Record

The address record specifies the address for the host and is indicated by a value of **A** in the *RecordType* field. Address records can be entries in the **named.ca**, **named.data**, and **named.rev** files. Its structure corresponds to the following format:

{Name} {TTL} AddressClass RecordType Address

arthur	IN	A	132.10.8.1
	IN	A	10.0.4.1

Fields

Item	Description
<i>Name</i>	Name of the host.
<i>TTL</i>	Time to live.
<i>AddressClass</i>	Internet (IN).
<i>RecordType</i>	Address (A).
<i>Address</i>	Internet address of the host in dotted decimal form. There should be one address record for each Internet address of the host. If the name server host for a particular domain resides inside the domain, then an A (address) resource record that specifies the address of the server is required. This address record is only needed in the server delegating the domain, not in the domain itself. If, for example, the server for domain <code>aus.century.com</code> was <code>fran.aus.century.com</code> , then the NS record and the required A record would look like:

```
aus.century.com.      IN      NS      fran.aus.century.com.  
fran.aus.century.com. IN      A      192.9.201.14
```

Host Information Record

The host information (**HINFO**) record lists host specific information, and is indicated by **HINFO** in the *RecordType* field. This lists the hardware and operating system that are running at the specified host. Note that the hardware and operating system information is separated by a single space. There must be one host information record for each host. The **HINFO** record is a valid entry in the **named.data** and the **named.rev** files. Its structure corresponds to the following format:

{Name} {TTL} AddressClass RecordType Hardware OS

Fields

Item	Description
<i>Name</i>	Name of the host.
<i>TTL</i>	Time to live.
<i>AddressClass</i>	Address class. Valid values are IN for Internet and CHAOS for Chaos net.
<i>RecordType</i>	Host information (HINFO).
<i>Hardware</i>	Make and model of hardware.
<i>OS</i>	Name of the operating system running on the host.

Well-Known Services Record

The well-known services (**WKS**) record lists the well-known services supported by a particular protocol at a specified address. This record is indicated by **WKS** in the *RecordType* field. Although TCP/IP provides the record for backward compatibility, it is now obsolete.

The services and port numbers come from the list of services in the **/etc/services** file. There should be only one **WKS** record per protocol per address. The **WKS** record is a valid entry in the **named.data** file. Its structure corresponds to the following format:

{Name}{TTL} AddressClass RecordType Address Protocol ListOfServices

IN	WKS	125.10.0.4	UDP	(who route timed domain)
IN	WKS	125.10.0.4	TCP	(echo telnet ftp netstat finger)

Fields

Item	Description
<i>Name</i>	Name of the host. In this case, the name of the host defaults to the value in the previous resource record.
<i>TTL</i>	Time to live
<i>AddressClass</i>	Internet (IN)
<i>RecordType</i>	Well-known services (WKS)
<i>Address</i>	Internet address of the adapter in dotted decimal form
<i>Protocol</i>	Protocol used by the list of services at the specified address
<i>ListOfServices</i>	Services supported by a protocol at the specified address

Canonical Name Record

The canonical name record specifies an alias for a canonical name (**CNAME**), and is indicated by **CNAME** in the *RecordType* field. The **CNAME** record is the only Resource record that can use the alias of a canonical name. All other resource records must use the full canonical (or domain) name. The **CNAME** record is a valid entry in the **named.data** file. For each **CNAME** record, there must be a corresponding address (**A**) record. Its structure corresponds to the following format:

{Aliases}{TTL} AddressClass RecordType CanonicalName

knight	IN	CNAME	lancelot
john	IN	CNAME	lancelot

Fields

Item	Description
<i>Aliases</i>	Alias by which the host is known

Item	Description
<i>TTL</i>	Time to live
<i>AddressClass</i>	Internet (IN)
<i>RecordType</i>	Canonical name (CNAME)
<i>CanonicalName</i>	Official name associated with the alias

IN-ADDR.ARPA Record

The structure of names in the domain system is set up in a hierarchical fashion. The address of a name can be found by tracing down the domain structure, contacting a server for each label in the name. Because the structure is based on names, there is no easy way to translate a host address back into its host name.

In order to allow simple reverse translation, the IN-ADDR.ARPA domain was created. This domain uses host addresses as part of a name that points to the data for that host. The IN-ADDR.ARPA domain provides an index to the resource records of each host based on its address. There are subdomains within the IN-ADDR.ARPA domain for each network, based on network number. Also, to maintain consistency and natural groupings, the 4 octets of a host number are reversed. The IN-ADDR.ARPA domain is defined by the IN-ADDR.ARPA record in the **named.boot** files and the DOMAIN hosts data file.

For example, the ARPANET is net 10, which means that there is a domain called `10.in-addr.arpa`. Within this domain, there is a PTR resource record at `51.0.0.10.IN-ADDR`, which points to the resource records for the host `sri-nic.arpa` (whose address is `10.0.0.51`). Since the NIC is also on the MILNET (net 26, address `26.0.0.73`), there is also a **PTR** resource record at `73.0.0.26.in-addr.arpa` that points to the same resource records for SRI-NIC.ARPA. The format of these special pointers is defined in the following section on **PTR** resource records, along with the examples for the NIC.

Domain-Name Pointer Record

The Domain-Name Pointer record allows special names to point to some other location in the domain. This record is indicated by **PTR** in the *RecordType* field. **PTR** resource records are mainly used in IN-ADDR.ARPA records to translate addresses to names.

Note: **PTR** records should use official host names, not aliases.

The **PTR** record is a valid entry in the **named.rev** file. Its structure corresponds to the following format:

{Aliases}{TTL} AddressClass RecordType RealName

7.0	IN	PTR	arthur.century.com.
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Fields

Item	Description
<i>Aliases</i>	Specifies where this record should point in the domain. Also specifies the Internet address of the host with the octets in reverse order. If you have not defined the IN-ADDR.ARPA domain in your named.boot file, this address must be followed by <code>.in-addr.arpa</code> .
<i>TTL</i>	Time to live.
<i>AddressClass</i>	Internet (IN).
<i>RecordType</i>	Pointer (PTR).
<i>RealName</i>	The domain name of the host to which this record points.

Gateway PTR Record

The IN-ADDR domain is also used to locate gateways on a particular network. Gateways have the same kind of **PTR** resource records as hosts, but they also have other **PTR** records used to locate them by network number alone. These records have 1, 2, or 3 octets as part of the name, depending on whether they are class A, B, or C networks, respectively.

The gateway host named gw, for example, connects three different networks, one for each class, A, B, and C. The gw gateway has the standard resource records for a host in the csl.sri.com zone:

gw.csl.sri.com.	IN	A	10.2.0.2
	IN	A	128.18.1.1
	IN	A	192.12.33.2

In addition, this gateway has one of the following pairs of number-to-name translation pointers and gateway location pointers in each of the three different zones (one for each network). In each example, the number-to-name pointer is listed first, followed by the gateway location pointer.

Class A

2.0.2.10.in-addr.arpa.	IN	PTR	gw.csl.sri.com.
10.in-addr.arpa.	IN	PTR	gw.csl.sri.com.

Class B

1.1.18.128.in-addr.arpa.	IN	PTR	gw.csl.sri.com.
18.128.in-addr.arpa.	IN	PTR	gw.csl.sri.com.

Class C

2.33.12.192.in-addr.arpa.	IN	PTR	gw.csl.sri.com.
33.12.192.in-addr.arpa.	IN	PTR	gw.csl.sri.com.

For example, a user named elizabeth used the following resource record to have her mail delivered to host venus.abc.aus.century.com:

elizabeth	IN	MB	venus.abc.aus.century.com.
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Mailbox Record

The mailbox (**MB**) record defines the machine where a user wants to receive mail, and is indicated by **MB** in the *RecordType* field. The **MB** record is a valid entry in the **named.data** file. Its structure corresponds to the following format:

{Aliases} {TTL} AddressClass RecordType Machine

jane	IN	MB	merlin.century.com
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Fields

Item	Description
<i>Aliases</i>	The user login ID
<i>TTL</i>	Time to live
<i>AddressClass</i>	Internet (IN)
<i>RecordType</i>	Mailbox (MB)
<i>Machine</i>	Name of the machine at which the user wants to receive mail

Mail Rename Name Record

The mail rename (**MR**) name record allows a user to receive mail addressed to a list of aliases. This record is indicated by **MR** in the *RecordType* field. The **MR** record is a valid entry in the **named.data** file. Its structure corresponds to the following format:

{Aliases} {TTL} AddressClass RecordType CorrespondingMB

merlin	IN	MR	jane
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Fields

Item	Description
<i>Aliases</i>	Alias for the mailbox name listed in the last field.
<i>TTL</i>	Time to live.
<i>AddressClass</i>	Internet (IN).
<i>RecordType</i>	Mail rename (MR).
<i>CorrespondingMB</i>	The name of the mailbox. This record should have a corresponding MB record.

Mailbox Information Record

The mailbox information (**MINFO**) record creates a mail group for a mailing list, and is indicated by **MINFO** in the *RecordType* field. This record usually has a corresponding mail group record, but may also be used with a mailbox record. The **MINFO** record is a valid entry in the **named.data** file. Its structure corresponds to the following format:

{Name} {TTL} AddressClass RecordType Requests Maintainer

postmaster	IN	MINFO	post-request	greg.century.com
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Fields

Item	Description
<i>Name</i>	The name of the mailbox.
<i>TTL</i>	Time to live.
<i>AddressClass</i>	Internet (IN).
<i>RecordType</i>	Mail Information record (MINFO).
<i>Requests</i>	Where mail requests (such as a request to be added to the mailing list) should be sent.
<i>Maintainer</i>	The mailbox that should receive error messages. This is particularly useful when mail errors should be reported to someone other than the sender.

Mail Group Member Record

The mail group member (**MG**) record lists the members of a mail group. This record is indicated by **MG** in the *RecordType* field. The **MG** record is a valid entry in the **named.data** file. Its structure corresponds to the following format:

{MailGroupName} {TTL} AddressClass RecordType MemberName

dept	IN	MG	Tom
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Fields

Item	Description
<i>MailGroupName</i>	Name of the mail group.
<i>TTL</i>	Time to live.
<i>AddressClass</i>	Internet (IN).
<i>RecordType</i>	Mail group member record (MG).

Item	Description
<i>MemberName</i>	The login ID of the group member.

Mail Exchanger Record

The mail exchanger (**MX**) records identify machines (gateways) that know how to deliver mail to a machine that is not directly connected to the network. This record is indicated by **MX** in the *RecordType* field. Wildcard names containing an * (asterisk) can be used for mail routing with **MX** records. There may be servers on the network that state that any mail to a domain is to be routed through a relay. The **MX** record is a valid entry in the **named.data** file. Its structure corresponds to the following format:

{Name}{TTL} AddressClass RecordType PrefValue MailExchanger

Ann.bus.com	IN	MX	0	Hamlet.Century.Com
*.dev.bus.com	IN	MX	0	Lear.Century.Com

Fields

Item	Description
<i>Name</i>	Specifies the full name of the host to which the mail exchanger knows how to deliver mail. Note: The * (asterisk) in the second <i>name</i> entry is a wildcard name entry. It indicates that any mail to the domain dev . bus . com should be routed through the mail gateway Lear . Century . Com.
<i>TTL</i>	Time to live.
<i>AddressClass</i>	Internet (IN).
<i>RecordType</i>	Mail Exchanger (MX).
<i>PrefValue</i>	Indicates the order the mailer should follow when there is more than one way to deliver mail to a host.
<i>MailerExchanger</i>	The full name of the mail gateway. See RFC 974 for more information.

Examples

The following is an example of a mailing list:

dept	IN	MINFO	dept-request jane.merlin.century.com
	IN	MG	greg.arthur.century.com
	IN	MG	tom.lancelot.century.com
	IN	MG	gary.guinevere.century.com
	IN	MG	kent.gawain.century.com

Related reference

[DOMAIN Data File Format for TCP/IP](#)

Related information

[named command](#)

[Name server resolution](#)

Sysfiles File Format for BNU

Purpose

Gives system administrators flexibility in configuring their **Systems**, **Devices** and **Dialers** files for use with BNU commands.

Description

The **/etc/uucp/Sysfiles** file let system administrators specify alternate **Systems**, **Devices** and **Dialers** files to replace the default files in the **/etc/uucp** directory or to supplement those files to enable a separation of the data needed to access remote systems. It is organized so a user can invoke two distinct types of services, **uucico** and **cu**. The **uucico** service refers to the **/usr/sbin/uucp/uucico** command and the commands that invoke it, for example **uucp**, **uux**, **uusend**, **uucico**. It automatically logs into remote systems and sends and receives data. The **cu** service connects to remote systems without attempting to login and uses the **cu**, **ct**, and **slattach** commands to contact remote systems. The responses to the user name and password prompts as well as any data transfer is the responsibility of the user. Based upon these differences a system administrator can split the data used to contact remote systems according the service types

The **Sysfiles** file contains a description of each BNU service on the local system that can establish a remote connection. Each line in the **Sysfiles** file corresponds to the following syntax:

```
service=uucico|cu [systems=filename[:filename]] \
                  [devices=filename[:filename]] \
                  [dialers=filename[:filename]] \
```

If a service does not have a corresponding line in the **Sysfiles** file, the default files are used.

Examples

1. A **Sysfiles** configuration that splits the configuration files for **uucico** and **cu** into different sets of files would be as follows:

```
service=uucico  systems=Systems.cico  devices=Devices.cico \
                 dialers=Dialers.cico
service=cu      systems=Systems.cu    devices=Devices.cu    \
                 dialers=Dialers.cu
```

These two lines in a **Sysfiles** file state that two separate sets of **Systems**, **Devices** and **Dialers** files are used for each service. Each service is specified by the **service=** at the beginning of a line with no leading white space. The files used for each service is named on the same line according to the substrings appended to the **systems=**, **devices=** and **dialers=**. Their default location is in the **/etc/uucp** directory.

2. A configuration to split the **uucico** and **cu** service entries into separate files, but to combine common configuration data would be as follows:

```
service=uucico  systems=Systems.cico:Systems \
                 devices=Devices.cico:Devices \
                 dialers=Dialers.cico:Dialers
service=cu      systems=Systems.cu:Systems \
                 devices=Devices.cu:Devices \
                 dialers=Dialers.cu:Dialers
```

This example provides separate **Systems**, **Devices**, and **Dialers** files for each service, but combines any common data into the default files. As the example shows, multiple **Systems**, **Devices** and **Dialers** files can be specified for each service. A colon is used as the filename delimiter in such a case.

3. This example specifies separate **Systems** files for each service. Each service uses the default **Devices** and **Dialers** files.

```
service=uucico  systems=Systems.cico
service=cu      systems=Systems.cu
```

If no **Sysfiles** service entry is made for a **Systems**, **Devices**, or **Dialers** file, the default file is used. Any files specified in **Sysfiles** to serve as **Systems**, **Devices**, or **Dialers** files need to conform to the syntax used in the default files, **/etc/uucp/Systems**, **/etc/uucp/Devices** or **/etc/uucp/Dialers**.

Files

Item	Description
/etc/uucp	Contains all the default configuration files for BNU, including the Sysfiles file.
/etc/uucp/Sysfiles	Contains information about alternate Systems , Devices and Dialers files.
/etc/uucp/Systems	Lists and describes remote systems accessible to a local system, using the Basic Networking Utilities (BNU).
/etc/uucp/Devices	Contains information about available devices.
/etc/uucp/Dialers	Contains dialing sequences for various types of modems and other types of dialers.

Related reference

[Devices File Format for BNU](#)

[Systems File Format for BNU](#)

Related information

[uucico command](#)

Systems File Format for BNU

Purpose

Lists and describes remote systems accessible to a local system, using the Basic Networking Utilities (BNU).

Description

BNU Systems files, **/etc/uucp/Systems** by default, list the remote computers with which users of a local system can communicate using the Basic Networking Utilities (BNU) program. Other files specified in the **/etc/uucp/Sysfiles** file can be configured and BNU Systems files. Each entry in a **Systems** file represents a remote system, and users on the local system cannot communicate with a remote system unless that system is listed in the local **Systems** file. A **Systems** file must be present on every computer at your site that uses the BNU facility.

Each entry in a **Systems** file contains:

- Name of the remote system
- Times when users can connect to the remote system
- Type of link (direct line or modem link)
- Speed of transmission over the link
- Information needed to log in to the remote system

Note:

1. When a remote system not listed in a **Systems** file attempts to contact the remote system, the BNU program calls the **/usr/sbin/uucp/remote.unknown** shell procedure.
2. Only someone with root user authority can edit a **Systems** file, which is owned by the **uucp** program login ID.

Fields in a Systems File

Each entry in a **Systems** file is a logical line containing fields and optional subfields. These fields appear in the following order:

SystemName Time[:RetryTime] Type[,ConversationProtocol] Class Phone Login

There must be an entry in every field of a line in a **Systems** file. If a field does not apply to the particular remote system (for example, a hardwired connection would not need a telephone number in the *Phone* field), use a - (minus sign) as a placeholder.

Lines in a **Systems** file cannot wrap. In addition, each entry must be on only one line in the file. However, a **Systems** file can contain blank lines and comment lines. Comment lines begin with a # (pound sign). Blank lines are ignored.

System Name

The *SystemName* field contains the name of the remote system. You can list an individual remote system in a **Systems** file more than once. Each additional entry for a system represents an alternate communication path that the BNU program uses in sequential order when trying to establish a connection between the local and the remote system.

Time

The *Time* field contains a string that indicates the days of the week and the times of day during which users on the local system can communicate with the specified remote system. For example, the MoTuTh0800-1730 string indicates that local users can contact the specified remote system on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays from 8 a.m. until 5:30 p.m.

The day part of the entry can be a list including any day or days represented by Mo, Tu, We, Th, Fr, Sa, or Su. The day entry may also be Wk if users can contact the remote system on any weekday, or Any if they can use the remote system on any day of the week including Saturday and Sunday.

Enter the time at which users can contact the remote system as a range of times, using the 24-hour clock notation. For example, if users can communicate with the specified remote system only during the morning hours, type a range such as 0800-1200. If users can contact the remote computer at any time of day or night, simply leave the time range blank.

It is also possible to specify times during which users cannot communicate with the remote system by specifying a time range that spans 0000. For example, typing 0800-0600 means that users can contact the specified system at any time *except* between 6 a.m. and 8 a.m. This is useful if a free line is needed at a certain time of day in order to use the remote system for administrative purposes.

If the remote system calls the local system, but users on the local system cannot call the remote system, the time entry may be Never.

Multiple *Time* fields are separated by a , (comma). For example, Wk1800-0600 , Sa , Su means that users can contact the remote system on any weekday at any time except between the hours of 6 p.m. and 6 a.m. and at any time on Saturday and Sunday.

RetryTime Subfield

The *RetryTime* subfield is an optional subfield that specifies the minimum time in minutes between an unsuccessful attempt to reach the remote system and the retry time when the BNU program again attempts to communicate with that system. This subfield is separated from the rest of the string by a ; (semicolon). For example, Wk1800-0600 , Sa , Su ; 2 indicates that if the first attempt to establish communications fails, BNU should continue to attempt to contact the remote system at no less than 2-minute intervals.

Note:

1. This subfield, when present, overrides the default retry time of 5 minutes.
2. The retry time does *not* cause BNU to attempt contact with the system once the time has elapsed. It specifies the *minimum* time BNU must wait before attempting to contact the remote system.

Type

The *Type* field identifies the type of connection used to communicate with the remote system. The available types of connections are ACU for a telephone connection using a modem, the remote system name (as in the *SystemName* field) for a hardwired connection, and TCP for a connection using TCP/IP.

There must be a corresponding entry for the type of connection in either the **/etc/uucp/Devices** file or the **Devices** file specified in the **/etc/uucp/Sysfiles** file.

Conversation Protocol Subfield

If you use the TCP entry in the *Type* field, the *ConversationProtocol* subfield, associated with the caller, specifies a conversation protocol. The default is the **g** protocol. To use a different subfield, enter a **,** (comma) and the letter representing one of the other conversation protocols, either **t** or **e**. These protocols are faster and more efficient than the **g** protocol.

Protocol	Explanation
g	This is the default. The g protocol is preferred for modem connections, but it involves a large overhead in running BNU commands because it uses the checksumming and packetizing functions.
t	<p>The t protocol presumes an error-free channel and is essentially the g protocol without the checksumming and packetizing functions. Use the t protocol:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• To communicate with a site running the operating system version of the BNU program• To communicate with a site running the Berkeley version of the UNIX-to-UNIX Copy Program (UUCP). <p>The t protocol cannot be used when the <i>Type</i> field is ACU or when a modem connection is being used.</p>
e	<p>Use the e protocol:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• To communicate with a site running the BNU program on• To communicate with a site running the operating system version of the BNU program. <p>The e protocol is not reliable for modem connections.</p> <p>Use either the t or e protocol to communicate with a site running the operating system version of the BNU program. Use the e protocol for a site running a non-operating system version of the BNU program. Use the t protocol for sites running the Berkeley version of the UNIX-to-UNIX Copy Program (UUCP).</p>

Class

The *Class* field typically specifies the speed at which the specified hardwired or telephone line transmits data. It is generally 300, 1200, 2400, or higher for a hardwired device, and 300, 1200, or 2400 for a telephone connection.

This field can also contain a letter with a speed (for example, C1200, D1200) to differentiate between classes of dialers. For example, some offices have more than one telephone network, one for internal use and one for external communications. In such a case, it is necessary to distinguish which lines should be used for each connection.

If the entry in the *Type* field is ACU, the *Class* field in a **Systems** file is matched against the *Class* field in a **Devices** file to find the device to use for connections. For example, if a **Systems** file entry for system hera is:

```
hera Any ACU 1200 3-3-5-2 ogin: nuucp ssword: oldoaktree
```

BNU searches for an entry in the **Devices** file with a *Type* of ACU and a *Class* of 1200 and connects to system hera using the first available device that meets these specifications.

If the device can match any speed, enter the word Any in the *Class* field. Note that the word Any begins with an uppercase A.

Do not include a transmission rate for a TCP/IP connection. If you do not type a transmission rate in the *Class* field, use a - (minus sign) as a placeholder.

Phone

For a telephone connection over a modem, the *Phone* field specifies the telephone number used to reach the remote modem. If this entry represents a hardwired connection, type a - (minus sign) as a placeholder. If this entry represents a telephone connection using a modem, type the remote modem's phone number.

The *Phone* field for a telephone connection must include all of the following items that apply, in the following order:

1. Outside line code
2. Long-distance access codes
3. Number 1 (one) plus the area code (if the modem is out of the local area)
4. Three-digit exchange number
5. Four-digit modem number

Entering a complete phone number is the most efficient method of including phone numbers if your site uses only a relatively small number of telephone connections. However, if your site includes a large number of remote connections established using a phone line and a modem, you may prefer to use the **/etc/uucp/Dialcodes** file to set up dial-code abbreviations.

For example, if your site communicates regularly using modems to other systems at the same remote site, it is more efficient to use a dial-code abbreviation in a **Systems** file than to type the complete phone number of each remote modem.

The dial-code entry in the **/etc/uucp/Dialcodes** file defines an alphabetic abbreviation that represents the following portions of the phone number:

- Outside line code
- Long-distance access code
- Number 1 (one) plus the area code (if the modem is out of the local area)
- Three-digit exchange number

In the *Phone* field in a **Systems** file entry, type the alphabetic abbreviation followed by the four-digit modem number.

Note: Enter the alphabetic abbreviation in the **/etc/uucp/Dialcodes** file *only once* for all the remote modems listed in a **Systems** file. Then use the same abbreviation for all entries in a **Systems** file for modems at that site.

For callers that are actually switches, the *Phone* field is the token the switch requires to get to the particular computer. The token you enter here is used by the functions specified in the *Type* field of the **/etc/uucp/Dialcodes** file.

Login

The *Login* field specifies login information that the remote system must receive before allowing the calling local system to establish a connection. The *Login* field is a series of fields and subfields called *expect-send* characters.

Expect-Send Characters in Login Fields

Enter the required login information as:

```
[Expect Send] ...
```

The *Expect* subfield contains characters that the local system expects to receive from the remote system. Once the local system receives those characters, it sends another string of characters that comprise the *Send* subfield.

For example, the first *Expect* subfield generally contains the remote system's login prompt, and the first *Send* subfield generally contains the remote system login ID. The second *Expect* subfield contains the remote password prompt, and the second *Send* subfield contains the remote system password.

The *Expect* subfield may include subfields entered in the following form:

```
Expect[-Send-Expect] ...
```

In this case, the first *Expect* subfield still represents the string that the local system expects to receive from the remote system. However, if the local system does not receive (or cannot read) the first *Expect* string, it sends its own string (the *Send* string within brackets) to the remote system. The local system then expects to receive another *Expect* string from the remote system.

For example, the *Expect* string may contain the following characters:

```
login:--login:
```

The local system expects to receive the `login:` string. If the remote system sends that string and the local system receives it correctly, the BNU program goes on to the next field in the expect-send sequence. However, if the local system does not receive the `login:` string, it sends a null character followed by a new line, and then expects to receive a second `login:` string from the remote computer.

If the remote system does not send an *Expect* string to the local system, type "" (two double quotation marks), representing a null string, in the first *Expect* subfield.

Every time the local system sends a field, it automatically transmits a new line following that *Send* subfield. To disable this automatic new line, type \c (backslash and the letter c) as the last two characters in the *Send* string.

Two special strings can be included in the login sequence. The EOT string sends an ASCII EOT (end of transmission) character, and the BREAK string attempts to send an ASCII BREAK character.

Valid Expect-Send Sequences

Following are the valid expect-send strings for the *Login* field:

String	Explanation
\N	Null character.
\b	Backspace character.
\c	At the end of a field, suppress the new line that normally follows the characters in a <i>Send</i> subfield. Otherwise, ignore this string.
\d	Delay 2 seconds before sending or reading more characters.
\p	Pause for approximately .25 to .50 seconds.
\E	Turn on the echo check.
\e	Turn off the echo check.
\K	Send a BREAK character. This is the same as entering BREAK. This character can be used to <u>cycle a modem's speed</u> .
\n	New-line character.
\r	Carriage return.
\s	Space character.
\t	Tab character.
\\	Backslash character.
EOT	EOT character. When you enter this string, the system sends two EOT new-line characters.
BREAK	BREAK character. This character can be used to <u>cycle the modem speed</u> .
\ddd	Collapse the octal digits (ddd) into a single character and send that character.

Using the BREAK Character to Cycle a Modem

A BREAK or \K character is usually sent to cycle the line speed on computers that have a multispeed modem. For example, if you are using a 2400 baud modem to contact a remote system with a multi speed modem that normally answers the phone at 9600 baud, you can begin the chat script for that system with a \K character to cause the remote system modem to cycle down to 2400 baud.

Entries for Use with TCP/IP

If your site is using TCP/IP, include the relevant TCP/IP entries in a **Systems** file. For a remote system connected to the local system using TCP/IP, the entries in the *SystemName*, *Time*, and *Login* fields are the same as for a remote system using any other type of connection. For the *Type* field, decide on the appropriate TCP/IP conversation protocol to enter in the *TCP ConversationProtocol* subfield. Enter TCP followed by a , (comma) followed by the letter representing the protocol. In the *Class* and *Phone* fields, enter a - (minus sign) as a placeholder.

Examples

Setting Up Entries Using Modems

1. A standard entry for a telephone connection using a modem looks like this:

```
merlin 0830-1730 ACU 1200 123-4567 in:--in: uucp1 word: rainday
```

This entry allows users to contact system merlin daily between 8:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m., using an ACU at 1200 bps. The telephone number is 123-4567. The login name on merlin is uucp1 and the password is rainday. The local system expects the phrase in: before it sends the login name. If the local system does not receive the phrase in:, it sends a null character and a new-line character and expects the phrase again.

2. To use a 1200 baud modem to contact a system with a multispeed modem, make an entry similar to the following:

```
athena Any ACU 1200 123-7654 \K\K in:--in: uucpa word: shield
```

The \K prefacing the login script instructs the remote modem to cycle down one speed. If the modem has three speeds, 9600, 2400, and 1200, the first \K character causes it to cycle to the 2400 baud setting, and the second \K character causes it to use the 1200 baud setting. (A third \K causes the modem to start the cycle over by returning to 9600 baud.)

Setting Up Entries Using Direct Connections

A standard entry for a hardwired connection between a local and a remote system looks like this:

```
hera Any hera 1200 - login:--login: uzeus word: thunder
```

The remote system is hera, which can be called at any time. The entry in the *Type* field is also hera, indicating a directory connection at 1200 bps (the *Class* field). There is a placeholder in the *Phone* field since no telephone number is necessary.

Setting Up Entries Using TCP/IP Connections

In order to make the appropriate entries in a **Systems** file, decide on the appropriate TCP/IP conversation protocol to enter in the *TCP Caller* subfield. For example, enter the following in a **Systems** file to use TCP/IP to connect to system venus with the default g protocol:

```
venus Any TCP - - in:--in: uzeus word: lamplight
```

Replace the *send* and *expect* characters in the sample login field with the login prompt, login, password prompt, and password appropriate to the remote system for which you are establishing a connection.

Using Dialcode Abbreviations

To use a dialcode abbreviation defined in the **/etc/uucp/Dialcodes** file, enter the following in a **Systems** file:

```
merlin Any ACU 1200 local8784 in:--in: uucp1 word: magic
```

This assumes that an entry for the dial code `local` exists in the **Dialcodes** file. For example, the following entry:

```
local 9=445
```

in the **Dialcodes** file would cause BNU to expand the telephone number as 9=4458784.

Setting Up Entries for Both Local and Remote Systems

For a direct connection between two systems, a **Systems** file on system `zeus` contains the following entry for the remote system `hera`:

```
hera Any hera 1200 - "" \r\d\r\d\r in:--in: uzeus word: thunder
```

A **Systems** file on system `hera` contains the following entry for system `zeus`:

```
zeus Any zeus 1200 - "" \r\d\r\d\r in:--in: uhera word: lostleaf
```

Files

Item	Description
/etc/uucp directory	Contains all the configuration files for BNU, including a Systems file.
/etc/uucp/Sysfiles file	Specifies possible alternative foles for the /etc/uucp/Systems file.
/etc/uucp/Devices file	Contains information about available devices.
/etc/uucp/Dialcodes file	Contains dialing code abbreviations.
/etc/uucp/Permissions file	Describes access permissions for remote systems.
/usr/sbin/uucp/remote.unknown file	Records contacts from unknown systems.

Related reference

[Sysfiles File Format for BNU](#)

Related information

[mail command](#)

[sendmail command](#)

[Monitoring a BNU remote connection](#)

telnet.conf File Format for TCP/IP

Purpose

Translates a client's terminal-type strings into **terminfo** file entries.

Description

The **telnetd** daemon uses the **/etc/telnet.conf** file during terminal negotiation to translate a client's terminal-type strings into **terminfo** file entries. The **telnet.conf** file is used when a client's terminal does not correspond directly to a **terminfo** file entry. If this is the case, the **telnet.conf** file can map standard

terminal names (defined in RFC-1060 Assigned Numbers) to **terminfo** file entries that the system can emulate.

Each line in the **telnet.conf** file can contain up to 255 characters. Lines beginning with a # (pound sign) are comment lines.

The **telnet.conf** file is structured in a two-column line format, with dashes separating the items in each column. The first column specifies a manufacturer, model type, and optional additional information. The second column specifies the **terminfo** file entry that corresponds to the manufacturer, model, and optional information in the first column. The items in the first column can be either uppercase or lowercase. The items in the second column must be lowercase. RFC-1060 specifies the first terminal type in the **telnet.conf** file. The format for the **telnet.conf** file is:

```
Manufacturer-Model-Options TerminfoModel-Options
```

Security

Suggested permissions for the **telnet.conf** file are `rw-rw-r--` or `664`. Suggested ownership is `root` for owner and `system` for group.

Examples

Sample **telnet.conf** entries might look like the following:

```
DEC-VT100-AM vt100-am
diablo-1620-m8 1620-m8
h-19-a 19-a
TI-800 ti-800
```

In the first entry, the manufacturer is DEC (Digital Equipment Corporation), the model is VT100, and the AM option specifies automargin. In the second entry, the manufacturer is diablo, the model is 1620, and the m8 option specifies a left margin of 8 columns. In the third entry, the manufacturer is h (Heath), the model is 19, and the a option specifies ANSI mode. In the fourth entry, the manufacturer is TI (Texas Instruments), and the model is 800; no options are specified. For additional **terminfo** options, refer to the ***.ti** files in the **/usr/lib/terminfo** directory.

Files

Item	Description
terminfo	Describes terminal by capability.

Related information

[telnet command](#)
[telnetd command](#)

tempaddr.conf File Format for TCP/IP

Purpose

Defines if temporary addresses should be allowed or denied for a set of prefixes or for a particular interface.

Available Directives

The main directives for the **/etc/ndpd/tempadr.conf** file is:

Syntax

<allow | deny> all

This directive tells whether temporary addresses should/should not be generated for the prefixes not mentioned in `tempaddr.conf`.

<allow | deny> <interface> all

This directive tells whether temporary addresses should or should not be generated for all the prefixes on the specified interface.

<allow | deny> <interface> <prefix>/ <prefix length>

This directive tells whether temporary addresses should/should not be generated for the prefix/ list of prefixes on the specified interface. Multiple prefixes and prefix lengths are separated by comma (,)
Most recent entry in the **tempaddr.conf** file will override the older entries while generating temporary addresses.

Files

Item	Description
<code>/usr/samples/tcpip/tempaddr.conf</code>	Contains the sample tempaddr.conf data.

Related information

[ndpd-host daemon](#)

[cgaparams.sec File Format for TCP/IP](#)

[ndpdh.cnf File Format for TCP/IP](#)

tepolices.dat File Format

Purpose

Contains trusted execution policies for the system.

Description

The `/etc/security/tsd/tepolices.dat` file is a configuration file where the system wide trusted execution policies are defined. The trusted execution policies can be configured using the following policies:

```
TE=ON
CHKEXEC=ON
CHKSHLIB=OFF
CHKSCRIPT=OFF
CHKKERNEXT=OFF
STOP_UNTRUSTD=OFF
STOP_ON_CHKFAIL=OFF
LOCK_KERN_POLICIES=OFF
TSD_FILES_LOCK=OFF
TSD_LOCK=OFF
TEP=OFF
TEP=/usr/bin:/usr/sbin:/etc:/bin:/sbin:/sbin/helpers/jfs2:/usr/lib/instl:/usr/ccs/bin
TLP=OFF
TLP=/usr/lib:/usr/ccs/lib:/lib:/var/lib
```

The description of each configuration parameter and more details of the trusted execution can be found in the [Security policies configuration](#) topic.

terminfo Directory

Purpose

Contains compiled **terminfo** source files.

Description

Terminfo is a compiled database describing the capabilities of terminals. Terminals are described in the **terminfo** source files via entries. Each entry contains information about the capabilities for a particular terminal or set of common terminals. Capabilities include the operations that can be performed, the padding requirements, cursor positioning, command sequences, and initialization sequences.

The compiled **terminfo** database is used by applications such as `curses` and `vi` that must have knowledge of the terminal but do not want to be terminal-dependent.

An [example](#) of a **terminfo** source file is provided.

This article explains the **terminfo** source file format. Before a **terminfo** description can be used by applications, the **terminfo** source file it resides in must be compiled using the **tic** command. Using the **tic** command results in the creation of one or more binaries, one for each terminal. The collection of **terminfo** binaries in a directory (usually `/usr/share/lib/terminfo`) is known as the **terminfo** database, or **terminfo**.

Source File Entries

You can edit or modify source files. A source file can contain one or more terminal descriptions or entries. A **terminfo** source file has a **.ti** suffix. Examples of source files are the `/usr/share/lib/terminfo/ibm.ti` file, which describes IBM terminals, and the `/usr/share/lib/terminfo/dec.ti` file, which describes DEC terminals.

See the **infocmp** command for obtaining the source description for a terminal when only the binary is available.

Each entry in a **terminfo** source file consists of a number of fields separated by commas. White space between commas is ignored. The following example shows a source file entry:

```
ibm6155-113|IBM 6155 Black & White display,
    font0=\E[10m,    font1=\E[11m,    font2=\E[12m,
    bold=\E[12m,    sgr0=\E[0;10m,
    cols#113,        lines#38,
    sgr=\E[%?%p1%t;7%;%?%p2%t;4%;%?%p3%t;7%;%?%p4%t;5%;%?%p6%t;12%;m,
    blink@,          use=ibm5151,
```

Entries can continue onto multiple lines by placing white space at the beginning of each subsequent line. To create a comment line, begin the line with a `#` (pound sign) character. To comment out an individual terminal capability, put a period before the capability name.

The first field (or line) for each terminal gives the various names by which the terminal is known, separated by `|` (pipe symbol) characters. The first given name should be the most common abbreviation for the terminal. (This name is the one most commonly used when setting the `TERM` environment variable.) The last name given should be a long name fully identifying the terminal. All other names are understood as synonyms for the terminal name. All names but the last should contain no blanks. The last name may contain blanks for readability. All names should be unique.

The remaining fields identify the terminal's capabilities.

When choosing terminal names, there are some conventions you should follow. The root name should represent the particular hardware class of the terminal. Do not use hyphens in the root name, except to avoid synonyms that conflict with other names. To indicate possible modes for the hardware or user preferences, append a `-` (minus sign) and one of the following suffixes:

Table 6. Root Name Suffixes		
Suffix	Meaning	Example
-am	With automatic margins (usually default)	<i>Terminal-am</i>
-m	Monochrome mode	<i>Terminal-m</i>
-w	Wide mode (more than 80 columns)	<i>Terminal-w</i>
-nam	Without automatic margins	<i>Terminal-nam</i>

Table 6. Root Name Suffixes (continued)		
Suffix	Meaning	Example
-n	Number of lines on the screen	<i>Terminal-60</i>
-na	No arrow keys (leave them in local)	<i>Terminal-na</i>
-np	Number of pages of memory	<i>Terminal-4p</i>
-rv	Reverse video	<i>Terminal-rv</i>
-s	Status line simulation. The terminal allows for one or more lines that are normally part of the screen to be used for the status line. This is not the same as terminals that have permanently dedicated status lines.	<i>Terminal-s</i>
-unk	Unknown mode. This entry can be used to define a general description of a terminal that has several of the modes described above. The other entries would use the unknown entry as a base description and add the appropriate customization. See the <code>use=</code> field.	<i>Terminal-unk</i>

A terminal in 132-column mode would be *Terminal-w*.

Types of Capabilities

A **terminfo** entry can define any number of capabilities. All capabilities belong to one of three types:

Item	Description
<u>Boolean</u>	Indicates that the terminal has a particular feature. Boolean capabilities are true if the corresponding name is contained in the terminal description.
<u>Numeric</u>	Gives the size of the terminal or the size of particular delays.
<u>String</u>	Gives a sequence that can be used to perform particular terminal operations.

This article provides tables that document the capability types. All the tables list the following:

Item	Description
Variable	The name the application uses to access a capability.
Cap Name	The short capability name. This name is used in the terminfo database text and by the person creating or editing a source file entry. You can use the tput command to output the value of a capability for a particular terminal.
I.Code	The 2-letter internal code used in the compiled database. This code always corresponds to a termcap capability name.
Description	A description of the capability.

Capability names have no absolute length limit. An informal limit of five characters is adopted to keep them short and to allow the tabs in the caps source file to be aligned. Whenever possible, names are chosen to be the same as or similar to the ANSI X3.64 standard of 1979.

Boolean Capabilities

A Boolean capability indicates that the terminal has some particular feature. For instance, the **am** capability in a terminal description indicates that the terminal has automatic margins (such as an automatic new line when the end of a line is reached). The following are the Boolean capabilities:

<i>Table 7. Boolean Capabilities</i>		
Variable	Cap Name	I.Code
auto_left_margin Indicates cub1 wraps from column 0 to last column.	bw	bw
auto_right_margin Indicates terminal has automatic margins.	am	am
back_color_erase Erases screen with current background.	bce	ut
can_change Can redefine existing color.	ccc	cc
ceol_standout_glitch Indicates that standout is not erased by overwriting.	xhp	xs
col_addr_glitch Indicates only positive motion for hpa/mhpa caps.	xhpa	YA
cpi_changes_res Indicates resolution changed when changing character pitch.	cpix	YF
cr_cancels_micro_mode Indicates cr turns off micro mode.	crxm	YB
dest_tabs_magic_sms0 (or teleray_glitch) Indicates destructive tabs and blanks inserted while entering standout mode.	xt	xt
eat_newline_glitch Ignores new-line character after 80 columns.	xenl	xn
erase_overstrike Erases overstrikes with a blank.	eo	eo
generic_type Indicates generic line type, such as, dialup or switch.	gn	gn
hard_copy Indicates hardcopy terminal.	hc	hc
hard_cursor Indicates cursor is hard to see.	chts	HC
has_meta_key Indicates terminal has a meta key, such as shift or sets parity bit.	km	km
has_print_wheel Indicates operator needed to change character set.	daisy	YC
has_status_line Indicates terminal has a dedicated status line.	hs	hs

<i>Table 7. Boolean Capabilities (continued)</i>		
Variable	Cap Name	I.Code
hue_lightness_saturation Uses HLS color notation (Tektronix).	hls	hl
insert_null_glitch Indicates insert mode distinguishes nulls.	in	in
lpi_changes_res Indicates resolution changed when changing line pitch.	lpix	YG
memory_above Display retained above the screen (usually multi-page terminals).	da	da
memory_below Display retained below the screen (usually multi-page terminals)	db	db
move_insert_mode Indicates safe to move while in insert mode.	mir	mi
move_standout_mode Indicates safe to move in standout modes.	msgr	ms
needs_xon_xoff Indicates padding will not work, that xon/xoff is required.	nxon	nx
no_esc_ctlc (or beehive_glitch) Indicates a terminal with F1=escape and F2=Ctrl-C.	xsb	xb
no_pad_char Indicates pad character does not exist.	npc	NP
non_dest_scroll_region Indicates non-destructive scrolling region.	ndscr	ND
non_rev_rmcup Indicates smcup does not reverse rmcup.	nrrmc	NR
over_strike Indicates terminal overstrikes.	os	os
prtr_silent Indicates printer will not echo on screen.	mc5i	5i
row_addr_glitch Indicates only positive motion for vpa/mvpa caps.	xvpa	YD
semi_auto_right_margin Indicates printing in last column causes carriage return.	sam	YE
status_line_esc_ok Indicates escape can be used on the status line.	eslok	es
tilde_glitch Indicates terminal cannot print the ~ (tilde) character.	hz	hz

<i>Table 7. Boolean Capabilities (continued)</i>		
Variable	Cap Name	I.Code
transparent_underline Overstrikes with underline character.	ul	ul
xon_xoff Indicates terminal uses xon/xoff handshaking.	xon	xo

Numeric Capabilities

Numeric capabilities are followed by the # (pound sign) character and a numeric value. The **cols#80** capability indicates the terminal has 80 columns. The following are the numeric capabilities:

<i>Table 8. Numeric Capabilities</i>		
Variable	Cap Name	I.Code
buffer_capacity Specifies the number of bytes buffered before printing.	bufsz	Ya
columns Specifies the number of columns in a line.	cols	co
dot_horz_spacing Identifies the horizontal spacing of dots in dots per inch.	spinh	Yc
dot_vert_spacing Specifies vertical spacing of pins in pins per inch.	spinv	Yb
init_tabs Provides initial tabs every specified number of spaces.	it	it
label_height Specifies the number of rows in each label.	lh	lh
label_width Specifies the number of columns in each label.	lw	lw
lines Specifies the number of lines on screen or page.	lines	li
lines_of_memory Specifies the number of lines of memory if > lines. A value of 0 indicates a variable number.	lm	lm
magic_cookie_glitch Indicates number of blank characters left by smso or rmso .	xmc	sg
max_attributes Identifies the maximum combined video attributes the terminal can display.	ma	ma
max_colors Specifies the maximum number of colors supported.	colors	Co
max_micro_address Indicate the limit on use of mhpa and mvpa .	maddr	Yd

<i>Table 8. Numeric Capabilities (continued)</i>		
Variable	Cap Name	I.Code
max_micro_jump Specifies the limit on use of the mcub1 , mcuf1 , mcuu1 , and mcud1 capabilities.	mjump	Ye
max_pairs Specifies the maximum number of color pairs supported.	pairs	pa
maximum_windows Specifies the maximum number of defineable windows.	wnum	MW
micro_char_size Specifies the character step size when in micro mode.	mcs	Yf
micro_line_size Identifies the line step size when in micro mode.	mls	Yg
no_color_video Indicates video attributes that cannot be used with colors.	ncv	NC
num_labels Specifies the number of labels on the screen. This value starts at 1.	nlab	Nl
number_of_pins Identifies the number of pins in the print-head.	npins	Yh
output_res_char Specifies the horizontal resolution in units per character.	orc	Yi
output_res_horz_inch Specifies the horizontal resolution in units per inch.	orhi	Yk
output_res_line Specifies the vertical resolution in units per line.	orl	Yj
output_res_vert_inch Indicates vertical resolution in units per inch.	orvi	Yl
padding_baud_rate Indicates lowest baud rate where carriage-return and line-return padding is needed.	pb	pb
print_rate Indicates print rate in characters per second.	cps	Ym
virtual_terminal Indicates virtual terminal number.	vt	vt
wide_char_size Identifies the character step size when the terminal is in double-wide mode.	widcs	Yn
width_status_lines Specifies the number of columns in status lines.	wsl	ws

String Capabilities

You define string-valued capabilities, such as the **el** capability (clear to end of line) with a 2-character code, an = (equal sign), and a string ending with a , (comma). A delay in milliseconds can appear anywhere in a string capability. To define a delay, enclose the delay between a \$< and a >. The following shows the **el** capability with a delay of 3:

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e1=\EK$<3>
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The **tputs** subroutine provides padding characters for a delay. A delay can be a number, such as 20, or a number followed by an * (asterisk), such as 3*. An asterisk indicates that the required padding is proportional to the number of lines affected by the operation. The number given represents the required padding for each affected unit. (For insert character, the factor is the number of lines affected, which is always 1, unless the terminal has the **xenl** capability and the software supports it). If you specify an asterisk, it is sometimes useful to give a delay of the form *a.b*, such as 3.5, to specify a delay for each unit to tenths of milliseconds. You can only specify one decimal place.

The **terminfo** database provides several escape sequences in the string-valued capabilities for easy encoding of characters. The following escape codes are recognized:

Escape Code	Meaning
\E,\e	Escape
\n	New line
\l	Line feed
\r	Carriage return
\t	Tab
\b	Backspace
\f	Form feed
\s	Space
\^	Caret
\\	Backslash
\,	Comma
\:	Colon
\nnn	Character with octal value <i>nnn</i>
^x	Ctrl-x for any appropriate x
\0	Null character. \0 actually produces \200, which does not end a string but behaves as a null character on most terminals.

The following conventions are used in the String Capabilities table:

- (G)** Indicates that the string is passed through **tparm**, with parameters as given (#i).
- (*)** Indicates that padding can be based on the number of lines affected.
- (#i)** Indicates the *i*th parameter.

<i>Table 9. String Capabilities</i>		
Variable	Cap Name	I.Code
appl_defined_str Application-defined terminal string.	apstr	za
asc_chars Alternate character set mapping of glyph to characters.	acsc	ac
back_tab Back tab.	cbt	bt
bell Produces an audible signal (bell).	bel	bl
box_chars_1 Box characters, primary set.	box1	bx
box_chars_2 Box characters, alternate set.	box2	by
box_attr_1 Attributes for box_chars_1.	batt1	Bx
box_attr_2 Attributes for box_chars_2.	batt2	By
carriage_return Indicates carriage return. (*)	cr	cr
change_char_pitch Change number of characters per inch.	cpi	ZA
change_line_pitch Change number of lines per inch.	lpi	ZB
change_res_horz Change horizontal resolution.	chr	ZC
change_res_vert Change vertical resolution.	cvr	XD
char_padding Specifies character padding when in replace mode.	rmp	rP
change_scroll_region Changes scroll region to lines #1 through #2. (G)	csr	cs
char_set_names List of character set names.	csnm	Zy
clear_all_tabs Clears all tab stops.	tbc	ct

<i>Table 9. String Capabilities (continued)</i>		
Variable	Cap Name	I.Code
clear_margins Clear left and right soft margins.	mgc	MC
clear_screen Clears screen and puts cursor in home position. (*)	clear	cl
clr_bol Clear to beginning of line, inclusive.	el1	cb
clr_eol Clears to end of line.	el	ce
clr_eod Clears to end of the display.(*)	ed	cd
color_bg_0 Background color 0, black.	colb0	d0
color_bg_1 Background color 1, red.	colb1	d1
color_bg_2 Background color 2, green.	colb2	d2
color_bg_3 Background color 3, brown.	colb3	d3
color_bg_4 Background color 4, blue.	colb4	d4
color_bg_5 Background color 5, magenta.	colb5	d5
color_bg_6 Background color 6, cyan.	colb6	d6
color_bg_7 Background color 7, white.	colb7	d7
color_fg_0 Foreground color 0, black.	colf0	c0
color_fg_1 Foreground color 1, red.	colf1	c1
color_fg_2 Foreground color 2, green.	colf2	c2
color_fg_3 Foreground color 3, brown.	colf3	c3
color_fg_4 Foreground color 4, blue.	colf4	c4

<i>Table 9. String Capabilities (continued)</i>		
Variable	Cap Name	I.Code
color_fg_5 Foreground color 5, magenta.	colf5	c5
color_fg_6 Foreground color 6, cyan.	colf6	c6
color_fg_7 Foreground color 7, white.	colf7	c7
column_address Sets cursor column. (G)	hpa	ch
command_character Indicates that a terminal command- prototype character can be set.	cmdch	CC
create_window Define win #1 to go from #2, #3 to #4, #5.	cwin	CW
cursor_address Indicates screen-relative cursor motion row #1, col #2. (G)	cup	cm
cursor_down Moves cursor down one line.	cud1	do
cursor_home Moves cursor to home position (if no cup addressing).	home	ho
cursor_invisible Makes cursor invisible.	civis	vi
cursor_left Moves cursor left one space.	cub1	le
cursor_mem_address Indicates memory relative cursor addressing. (G)	mrcup	CM
cursor_normal Makes cursor appear normal (undo vs or vi).	cnorm	ve
cursor_right Indicates nondestructive space (cursor right).	cuf1	nd
cursor_to_ll Moves cursor to first column of last line (if no cup addressing).	ll	ll
cursor_up Moves cursor up one line.	cuu1	up

<i>Table 9. String Capabilities (continued)</i>		
Variable	Cap Name	I.Code
cursor_visible Makes cursor very visible.	cvvis	vs
define_char Define a character in a character set.	defc	ZE
delete_character Deletes character. (*)	dch1	dc
delete_line Deletes line. (*)	dl1	dl
dial_phone Dial phone number #1.	dial	DI
dis_status_line Disables status line.	dsl	ds
display_clock Display time-of-day clock.	dclk	DK
down_half_line Indicates subscript (forward 1/2 line feed).	hd	hd
ena_acs Enable alternate character set.	enacs	eA
enter_alt_charset_mode Starts alternate character set.	smacs	as
enter_am_mode Turn on automatic margins.	smam	SA
enter_blink_mode Enables blinking.	blink	mb
enter_bold_mode Enables bold (extra bright) mode.	bold	md
enter_bottom_mode Starts bottom line mode. This string capability is an aid for drawing tables and is valid only for aixterm and aixterm-m terminal definitions.	btml	bm
enter_ca_mode Begins programs that use cup addressing.	smcup	ti
enter_delete_mode Starts delete mode.	smdc	dm
enter_dim_mode Enables half-bright mode.	dim	mh

<i>Table 9. String Capabilities (continued)</i>		
Variable	Cap Name	I.Code
enter_doublewide_mode Enable double-wide printing.	swidm	ZF
enter_draft_quality Set draft quality print.	sdrfq	ZG
enter_insert_mode Starts insert mode.	smir	im
enter_italics_mode Enable italics.	sitm	ZH
enter_leftward_mode Enable leftward carriage motion.	slm	ZI
enter_lvert_mode Starts left vertical line mode. This string capability is an aid for drawing tables. Valid only for aixterm and aixterm-m terminal definitions.	lvert	lv
enter_micro_mode Enable micro motion capabilities.	smicm	ZJ
enter_near_letter_quality Set near-letter quality print.	snlq	ZK
enter_normal_quality Set normal quality print.	snrmq	ZL
enter_protected_mode Enables protected mode.	prot	mp
enter_reverse_mode Enables reverse video mode.	rev	mr
enter_rvert_mode Starts right vertical line mode. This string capability is an aid for drawing tables and is valid only for aixterm and aixterm-m terminal definitions.	rvert	rv
enter_secure_mode Enables blank mode (characters are invisible).	invis	mk
enter_shadow_mode Enable shadow printing.	sshm	ZM
enter_standout_mode Begins standout mode.	smso	so
enter_subscript_mode Enable subscript printing.	ssubm	ZN

<i>Table 9. String Capabilities (continued)</i>		
Variable	Cap Name	I.Code
enter_superscript_mode Enable superscript printing.	ssupm	ZO
enter_topline_mode Starts top line mode. This string capability is an aid for drawing tables and is valid only for aixterm and aixterm-m terminal definitions.	topl	tp
enter_underline_mode Starts underscore mode.	smul	us
enter_upward_mode Enable upward carriage motion.	sum	ZP
enter_xon_mode Turn on xon/xoff handshaking.	smxon	SX
erase_chars Erases #1 characters. (G)	ech	ec
exit_alt_charset_mode Ends alternate character set.	rmacs	ae
exit_am_mode Turn off automatic margins.	rmam	RA
exit_attribute_mode Disables all attributes.	sgr0	me
exit_ca_mode Ends programs that use cup addressing.	rmcup	te
exit_delete_mode Ends delete mode.	rmdc	ed
exit_doublewide_mode Disable double-wide printing.	rwidm	ZQ
exit_insert_mode Ends insert mode.	rmir	ei
exit_italics_mode Disable italics.	ritm	ZR
exit_leftward_mode Enable rightward (normal) carriage motion.	rlm	ZS
exit_micro_mode Disable micro motion capabilities.	micm	ZT
exit_shadow_mode Disable shadow printing.	rshm	ZU
exit_standout_mode Ends standout mode.	rmso	se

<i>Table 9. String Capabilities (continued)</i>		
Variable	Cap Name	I.Code
exit_subscript_mode Disable subscript printing.	rsubm	ZV
exit_superscript_mode Disable superscript printing.	rsupm	ZW
exit_underline_mode Ends underscore mode.	rmul	ue
exit_upward_mode Enable downward (normal) carriage motion.	rum	ZX
exit_xon_mode Turn off xon/xoff handshaking.	rmxon	RX
flash_screen Indicates visual bell (may not move cursor).	flash	vb
fixed_pause Pause for 2-3 seconds.	pause	PA
flash_hook Flash the switch hook.	hook	fh
font_0 Select font 0.	font0	f0
font_1 Select font 1.	font1	f1
font_2 Select font 2.	font2	f2
font_3 Select font 3.	font3	f3
font_4 Select font 4.	font4	f4
font_5 Select font 5.	font5	f5
font_6 Select font 6.	font6	f6
font_7 Select font 7.	font7	f7
form_feed Ejects page (hardcopy terminal). (*)	ff	ff
from_status_line Returns from status line.	fsl	fs

<i>Table 9. String Capabilities (continued)</i>		
Variable	Cap Name	I.Code
goto_window Go to window #1.	wingo	WG
hangup Hang-up phone.	hup	HU
init_1string Initializes terminal.	is1	i1
init_2string Initializes terminal.	is2	is
init_3string Initializes terminal.	is3	i3
init_file Identifies file containing is long initialization strings.	if	if
init_prog Locates the program for initialization.	iprog	iP
initialize_color Initialize the color definition.	initc	Ic
initialize_pair Initialize color pair.	initp	Ip
insert_character Inserts character.	ich1	ic
insert_line Adds new blank line. (*)	il1	al
insert_padding Inserts pad after character inserted. (*)	ip	ip
key_a1 Specifies upper left of keypad.	ka1	K1
key_a3 Specifies upper right of keypad.	ka3	K3
key_action Sent by action key.	kact	kJ
key_b2 Specifies center of keypad.	kb2	K2
key_backspace Sent by backspace key.	kbs	kb
key_beg Beginning key. KEY_BEG	kbeg	@1

<i>Table 9. String Capabilities (continued)</i>		
Variable	Cap Name	I.Code
key_btab Sent by backtab key. KEY_BTAB	kcbt	kB
key_c1 Specifies lower left of keypad.	kc1	K4
key_c3 Specifies lower right of keypad.	kc3	K5
key_cancel Cancel key. KEY_CANCEL	kcan	@2
key_catab Sent by clear-all-tabs key.	ktbc	ka
key_clear Sent by clear screen or erase key.	kclr	kC
key_close Close key. KEY_CLOSE	kclo	@3
key_command Command-request key.	kcmd	@4
key_command_pane Command-pane key.	kcpn	@7
key_copy Copy key. KEY_COPY	kcpy	@5
key_create Create key. KEY_CREATE	kcrt	@6
key_ctab Sent by clear tab key.	kctab	kt
key_dc Sent by delete-character key.	kdch1	kD
key_dl Sent by delete-line key.	kdl1	kL
key_do Do request key.	kdo	ki
key_down Sent by terminal down-arrow key.	kcud1	kd
key_eic Sent by rmir or smir in insert mode.	krmir	kM
key_end End key. KEY_END	kend	@7

<i>Table 9. String Capabilities (continued)</i>		
Variable	Cap Name	I.Code
key_enter Enter/send (unreliable). KEY_ENTER.	kent	@8
key_eol Sent by clear-to-end-of-line key.	kel	kE
key_eos Sent by clear-to-end-of-screen key.	ked	kS
key_exit Exit key. KEY_EXIT.	kext	@9
key_f0 Sent by function key F0.	kf0	k0
key_f1 Sent by function key F1.	kf1	k1
key_f2 Sent by function key F2.	kf2	k2
key_f3 Sent by function key F3.	kf3	k3
key_f4 Sent by function key F4.	kf4	k4
key_f5 Sent by function key F5.	kf5	k5
key_f6 Sent by function key F6.	kf6	k6
key_f35 Sent by function key 35. KEY_F(35)	kf35	FP
key_f36 Sent by function key 36. KEY_F(36)	kf36	FP
key_f37 Sent by function key 37. KEY_F(37)	kf37	FQ
key_f38 Sent by function key 38. KEY_F(38)	kf38	FR
key_f39 Sent by function key 39. KEY_F(39)	kf39	FS
key_f40 Sent by function key 40. KEY_F(40)	kf40	FT
key_f41 Sent by function key 41. KEY_F(41)	kf41	FU

<i>Table 9. String Capabilities (continued)</i>		
Variable	Cap Name	I.Code
key_f42 Sent by function key 42. KEY_F(42)	kf42	FV
key_f43 Sent by function key 43. KEY_F(43)	kf43	FW
key_f44 Sent by function key 44. KEY_F(44)	kf44	FX
key_f45 Sent by function key 45. KEY_F(45)	kf45	FY
key_f46 Sent by function key 46. KEY_F(46)	kf46	FZ
key_f47 Sent by function key 47. KEY_F(47)	kf47	Fa
key_f48 Sent by function key 48. KEY_F(48)	kf48	Fb
key_f49 Sent by function key 49. KEY_F(49)	kf49	Fc
key_f50 Sent by function key 50. KEY_F(50)	kf50	Fd
key_f51 Sent by function key f51. KEY_F(51)	kf51	Fe
key_f52 Sent by function key f52. KEY_F(52)	kf52	Ff
key_f53 Sent by function key f53. KEY_F(53)	kf53	Fg
key_f54 Sent by function key f54. KEY_F(54)	kf54	Fi
key_f55 Sent by function key f55. KEY_F(55)	kf55	Fj
key_f56 Sent by function key f56. KEY_F(56)	kf56	Fk
key_f57 Sent by function key f57. KEY_F(57)	kf57	Fl
key_f58 Sent by function key f58. KEY_F(58)	kf58	Fm
key_f59 Sent by function key f59. KEY_F(59)	kf59	Fn

<i>Table 9. String Capabilities (continued)</i>		
Variable	Cap Name	I.Code
key_f60 Sent by function key f60. KEY_F(60)	kf60	Fo
key_f61 Sent by function key f61. KEY_F(61)	kf61	Fp
key_f62 Sent by function key f62. KEY_F(62)	kf62	Fq
key_f63 Sent by function key f63. KEY_F(63)	kf63	Fr
key_find Find key. KEY_FIND	kfnd	@0
key_help Help key.	khlp	kq
key_home Sent by home key.	khome	kh
key_ic Sent by insert-character/ enter-insert-mode key.	kich1	kI
key_il Sent by insert line key.	kil1	kA
key_left Sent by terminal left-arrow key.	kcub1	kl
key_ll Sent by home-down key.	kll	kH
key_mark Mark key. KEY_MARK	kmrk	%2
key_message Message key. KEY_MESSAGE	kmsg	%3
key_move Move key. KEY_MOVE	kmov	%4
key_newline New-line key.	kn1	kn
key_next Next object key. KEY_NEXT	knxt	%5
key_next_pane Next-pane key.	knpn	kv
key_npage Sent by next-page key.	knp	kN

<i>Table 9. String Capabilities (continued)</i>		
Variable	Cap Name	I.Code
key_open Open key. KEY_OPEN	kopn	%6
key_options Options key. KEY_OPTIONS	kopt	%7
key_ppage Sent by previous-page key.	kpp	kP
key_prev_pane Sent by previous-pane key.	kppn	kV
key_prev_cmd Sent by previous-command key.	kpcmd	kp
key_previous Previous object key. KEY_PREVIOUS	kprv	%8
key_print Print or copy. KEY_PRINT	kpvt	%9
key_quit Quit key.	kquit	kQ
key_redo Redo key. KEY_REDO	krdo	%0
key_reference Reference key. KEY_REFERENCE	kref	&1
key_refresh Refresh key. KEY_REFRESH	krfr	&2
key_replace Replace key. KEY_REPLACE	krpl	&3
key_restart Restart key. KEY_RESTART	krst	&4
key_resume Resume key. KEY_RESUME	kres	&5
key_right Sent by terminal right-arrow key.	kcuf1	kr
key_save Save key. KEY_SAVE	ksav	&6
key_sbeg Shifted beginning key. KEY_SBEG	kBEG	&9
key_scancel Shifted cancel key. KEY_SCANCEL	kCAN	&0

<i>Table 9. String Capabilities (continued)</i>		
Variable	Cap Name	I.Code
key_scommand Shifted command key. KEY_SCOMMAND	kCMD	*1
key_scopy Shifted copy key. KEY_SCOPY	kCPY	*2
key_screate Shifted create key. KEY_SCREATE	kCRT	*3
key_scroll_left Scroll left.	kscl	kz
key_scroll_right Scroll right.	kscr	kZ
key_sdc Shifted delete-character key. KEY_SDC	kDC	*4
key_sdl Shifted delete-line key. KEY_SDL	kDL	*5
key_select Select key.	kslt	*6
key_send Shifted end key. KEY_SEND	kEND	*7
key_seol Shifted clear-line key. KEY_SEOL	kEOL	*8
key_sexit Shifted exit key. KEY_SEXIT	kEXT	*9
key_sf Sent by scroll-forward/ scroll-down key.	kind	kF
key_sf1 Special function key 1.	ksf1	S1
key_sf2 Special function key 2.	ksf2	S2
key_sf3 Special function key 3.	ksf3	S3
key_sf4 Special function key 4.	ksf4	S4
key_sf5 Special function key 5.	ksf5	S5
key_sf6 Special function key 6.	ksf6	S6

<i>Table 9. String Capabilities (continued)</i>		
Variable	Cap Name	I.Code
key_sf7 Special function key 7.	ksf7	S7
key_sf8 Special function key 8.	ksf8	S8
key_sf9 Special function key 9.	ksf9	S9
key_sf10 Special function key 10.	ksf10	S0
key_sfind Shifted find key. KEY_SFIND	kFND	*0
key_shelp Shifted help key. KEY_SHELP	kHLP	#1
key_shome Shifted home key. KEY_SHOME	kHOM	#2
key_sic Shifted input key. KEY_SIC	kIC	#3
key_sleft Shifted left-arrow key. KEY_SLEFT	kLFT	#4
key_smap_in1 Input for special mapped key 1.	kmpf1	Kv
key_smap_in2 Input for special mapped key 2.	kmpf2	Kw
key_smap_in3 Input for special mapped key 3.	kmpf3	Kx
key_smap_in4 Input for special mapped key 4.	kmpf4	Ky
key_smap_in5 Input for special mapped key 5.	kmpf5	Kz
key_smap_in6 Input for special mapped key 6.	kmpf6	Kr
key_smap_in7 Input for special mapped key 7.	kmpf7	Ks
key_smap_in8 Input for special mapped key 8.	kmpf8	Kt
key_smap_in9 Input for special mapped key 9.	kmpf9	Ku

<i>Table 9. String Capabilities (continued)</i>		
Variable	Cap Name	I.Code
key_smap_out1 Output for mapped key 1.	kmpt1	KV
key_smap_out2 Output for mapped key 2.	kmpt2	KW
key_smap_out3 Output for mapped key 3.	kmpt3	KX
key_smap_out4 Output for mapped key 4.	kmpt4	KY
key_smap_out5 Output for mapped key 5.	kmpt5	KZ
key_smap_out6 Output for mapped key 6.	kmpt6	KR
key_smap_out7 Output for mapped key 7.	kmpt7	KS
key_smap_out8 Output for mapped key 8.	kmpt8	KT
key_smap_out9 Output for mapped key 9.	kmpt9	KU
key_smessage Shifted message key. KEY_SMESSAGE	kMSG	%a
key_smove Shifted move key. KEY_SMOVE	kMOV	%b
key_snext Shifted next key. KEY_SNEXT	kNXT	%c
key_soptions Shifted options key. KEY_SOPTIONS	kOPT	%d
key_sprevious Shifted previous key. KEY_SPREVIOUS	kPRV	%e
key_sprint Shifted print key. KEY_SPRINT	kPRT	%f
key_sr Sent by scroll-backward key.	kri	kR
key_redo Shifted redo key. KEY_SREDO	kRDO	%g
key_replace Shifted replace key. KEY_REPLACE	krPL	%h

<i>Table 9. String Capabilities (continued)</i>		
Variable	Cap Name	I.Code
key_sright Shifted right-arrow key. KEY_SRIGHT	kRIT	%i
key_srsune Shifted resume key. KEY_SRSUNE	kRES	%j
key_ssane Shifted save key. KEY_SSAVE	kSAV	!1
key_ssuspend Shifted suspend key. KEY_SSUPEND	kSPD	!2
key_stab Sent by set-tab key.	khts	kT
key_sundo Shifted undo key. KEY_SUNDO	kUND	!3
key_suspend Suspend key. KEY_SUSPEND	kspd	&7
key_tab Tab key.	ktab	ko
key_undo Undo key. KEY_UNDO	kund	&8
key_up Sent by terminal up-arrow key.	kcuu1	ku
keypad_local Ends keypad transmit mode.	rmkx	ke
keypad_xmit Puts terminal in keypad transmit mode.	smkx	ks
lab_f0 Labels function key F0, if not F0.	lf0	l0
lab_f1 Labels function key F1, if not F1.	lf1	l1
lab_f2 Labels function key F2, if not F2.	lf2	l2
lab_f3 Labels function key F3, if not F3.	lf3	l3
lab_f4 Labels function key F4, if not F4.	lf4	l4
lab_f5 Labels function key F5, if not F5.	lf5	l5

<i>Table 9. String Capabilities (continued)</i>		
Variable	Cap Name	I.Code
lab_f6 Labels function key F6, if not F6.	lf6	l6
lab_f7 Labels function key F7, if not F7.	lf7	l7
lab_f8 Labels function key F8, if not F8.	lf8	l8
lab_f9 Labels function key F9, if not F9.	lf9	l9
lab_f10 Labels function key F10, if not F10.	lf10	la
label_format Label format.	fln	Lf
label_off Turn off soft labels.	rmln	LF
label_on Turn on soft labels.	smln	LO
meta_on Enables meta mode (8th bit).	smm	mm
meta_off Disables meta mode.	rmm	mo
micro_column_address Move N steps from the left.	mhpa	ZY
micro_down Move 1 step down.	mcud1	ZZ
micro_left Move 1 step left.	mcub1	Za
micro_right Move 1 step right.	mcuf1	Zb
micro_row_address Move N steps from the top.	mvpa	Zc
micro_up Move 1 step up.	mcuu1	Zd
newline Performs new-line function (behaves like carriage return followed by line feed).	nel	nw
order_of_pins Matches software bits to print-head pins.	porder	Ze

<i>Table 9. String Capabilities (continued)</i>		
Variable	Cap Name	I.Code
orig_colors Original colors.	oc	oc
orig_pair Original color-pair.	op	op
pad_char Pads character (instead of NULL).	pad	pc
parm_dch Deletes #1 characters. (G)	dch	DC
parm_delete_line Deletes #1 lines. (G)	dl	DL
parm_down_cursor Moves cursor down #1 lines. (G*)	cud	DO
parm_down_micro Move <i>N</i> steps down. (G*)	mcud	Zf
parm_ich Inserts #1 blank characters. (G*)	ich	IC
parm_index Scrolls forward #1 lines. (G)	indn	SF
parm_insert_line Adds #1 new blank lines. (G*)	il	AL
parm_left_cursor Moves cursor left #1 spaces. (G)	cub	LE
parm_left_micro Move <i>N</i> steps left.	mcub	Zg
parm_right_cursor Moves cursor right #1 spaces. (G*)	cuf	RI
parm_right_micro Move <i>N</i> steps right.	mcuf	Zh
parm_rindex Scrolls backward #1 lines. (G)	rin	SR
parm_up_cursor Moves cursor up #1 lines. (G*)	cuu	UP
parm_up_micro Move <i>N</i> steps up.	mcuu	Zi
pkey_key Programs function key #1 to type string #2.	pfkey	pk

<i>Table 9. String Capabilities (continued)</i>		
Variable	Cap Name	I.Code
pkey_local Programs function key #1 to execute string #2.	pfloc	pl
pkey_xmit Programs function key #1 to transmit string #2.	pfx	px
plab_norm Program label #1 to show string #2.	pln	pn
print_screen Prints contents of the screen.	mc0	ps
prtr_non Enables the printer for #1 bytes.	mc5p	pO
prtr_off Disables the printer.	mc4	pf
prtr_on Enables the printer.	mc5	po
pulse Select pulse dialing.	pulse	PU
quick_dial Dial phone number #1, without progress detection.	qdial	QD
remove_clock Remove time-of-day clock.	rmclk	RC
repeat_char Repeats #1 character #2 times. (G*)	rep	rp
req_for_input Send next input char (for pty's).	rfi	RF
reset_1string Resets terminal to known modes.	rs1	r1
reset_2string Resets terminal to known modes.	rs2	r2
reset_3string Resets terminal to known modes.	rs3	r3
reset_file Identifies the file containing reset string.	rf	rf
restore_cursor Restores cursor to position of last sc (save_cursor).	rc	rc

<i>Table 9. String Capabilities (continued)</i>		
Variable	Cap Name	I.Code
row_address Positions cursor to an absolute vertical position (set row). (G)	vpa	cv
save_cursor Saves cursor position.	sc	sc
scroll_forward Scrolls text up.	ind	sf
scroll_reverse Scrolls text down.	ri	sr
select_char_set Select character set.	scs	Zj
set_attributes Defines the video attributes. (G) #1-#9	sgr	sa
set_background Set background color.	setb	Sb
set_bottom_margin Set soft bottom margin at current line.	smgb	Zk
set_bottom_margin_parm Set soft bottom margin.	smgbp	Zl
set_clock Set time-of-day clock.	sclk	SC
set_color_pair Set color pair.	scp	sp
set_foreground Set foreground color.	setf	Sf
set_left_margin Set soft left margin.	smgl	ML
set_left_margin_parm Set soft left margin.	smglp	Zm
set_right_margin Set soft right margin.	smgr	MR
set_right_margin_parm Set soft right margin.	smgrp	Zn
set_tab Sets a tab in every row of the current column.	hts	st
set_top_margin Set top margin at current line.	smgt	Zo

<i>Table 9. String Capabilities (continued)</i>		
Variable	Cap Name	I.Code
set_top_margin_parm Set soft top margin.	smgtp	Zp
set_window Indicates current window is lines #1-#2, columns #3-#4. (G)	wind	wi
start_bit_image Start printing bit-image graphics.	sbim	Zq
start_char_set_def Start definition of a character set.	scsd	Zr
stop_bit_image End printing bit image graphics.	rbim	Zs
stop_char_set_def End definition of a character set.	rcsd	Zt
subscript_characters List of charcters that can appear in subscript.	subcs	Zu
superscript_characters List of characters that can appear in superscript.	supcs	Zv
tab Tabs to next 8-space hardware tab stop.	ht	ta
these_cause_cr Printing any of these characters cause a carrige return.	docr	Zw
tone Select touch-tone dialing.	tone	TO
to_status_line Moves to status line, column #1. (G)	tsl	ts
underline_char Underscores one character and moves beyond it.	uc	uc
up_half_line Indicates superscript (reverse 1/2 line-feed)	hu	hu
user0 User string 0.	u0	u0
user1 User string 1.	u1	u1
user2 User string 2.	u2	u2

<i>Table 9. String Capabilities (continued)</i>		
Variable	Cap Name	I.Code
user3 User string 3.	u3	u3
user4 User string 4.	u4	u4
user5 User string 5.	u5	u5
user6 User string 6.	u6	u6
user7 User string 7.	u7	u7
user8 User string 8.	u8	u8
user9 User string 9.	u9	u9
wait_tone Wait for dial tone.	wiat	WA
xoff_character X-off character.	xoffc	XF
xon_character X-on character.	xonc	XN
zero_motion No motion for the subsequent character.	zerom	Zx

Preparing Descriptions

You can create a terminal description by copying and then modifying the description of a similar terminal. You can check the accuracy of your partial descriptions with the vi editor. Some terminals may reveal bugs in the vi editor as well as deficiencies in the ability of the **terminfo** database to provide a terminal description.

To test a new terminal description, set the **TERMINFO** environment variable to the path name of the directory containing the compiled description on which you are working. Programs then check that directory instead of the **/usr/share/lib/terminfo** directory.

To test for correct padding (if known), do the following:

1. Edit the **/etc/passwd** file at 9600 baud.
2. Delete about 16 lines from the middle of the screen.
3. Press the u key several times quickly.

If the terminal fails to display the result properly, more padding is usually needed. You can perform a similar test for insert character.

Note: Excessive padding slows down the terminal.

Basic Capabilities

This section describes some basic terminal capabilities. If a terminal supports one of these capabilities, the terminal's **terminfo** source file entry indicates it. The following list is a list of basic capabilities:

Item	Description
am	Indicates that the cursor moves to the beginning of the next line when it reaches the right margin. This capability also indicates whether the cursor can move beyond the bottom right corner of the screen.
bel	Produces an audible signal (such as a bell or a beep).
bw	Indicates that a backspace from the left edge of the terminal moves the cursor to the last column of the previous row.
clear	Clears the screen, leaving the cursor in the home position.
cols	Specifies the number of columns on each line for the terminal.
cr	Moves the cursor to the left edge of the current row. This code is usually carriage return (Ctrl-M).
cub1	Moves the cursor one space to the left, such as backspace.
cuf1	Moves the cursor to the right one space.
cuu1	Moves the cursor up one space.
cud1	Move the cursor down one space.
hc	Specifies a printing terminal with no softcopy unit. You should also specify the os capability.
ind	Scrolls text up.
lf	Specifies a line-feed.
lines	Specifies the number of lines on a cathode ray tube (CRT) terminal.
nel	Specifies a newline. The terminal behaves as if it received a carriage return followed by a line feed.
os	Indicates that when a character is displayed or printed in a position already occupied by another character, the terminal overstrikes the existing character, rather than replacing it with the new character. The os capability applies to storage scope, printing, and APL terminals.
ri	Scrolls text down.

If the **LINES** and **COLUMNS** environment variables are set, these variables override the values in the **terminfo** database.

The local cursor motions encoded in the **terminfo** database files are undefined at the left and top edges of a CRT terminal. Programs should never attempt to backspace around the left edge (unless the **bw** string is given) or to go up locally off the top.

To scroll text up, a program should go to the bottom left corner of the screen and send the index string. To scroll text down, a program goes to the top left corner of the screen and sends the reverse index string. The index string is specified by the **ind** capability and the reverse index string is specified by the **ri** capability. The index string and the reverse index string are undefined when not on their respective corners of the screen.

The **am** capability determines whether the cursor sticks at the right edge of the screen when text is output, but this does not necessarily apply when the cursor is moved to the right (the **cuf1** capability) from the last column. A terminal has local motion from the left edge only if the **bw** capability is defined. The cursor then goes to the right edge of the previous row when moved to the left (the **cub1** capability) from the left edge. If the terminal does not have the **bw** capability, the effect is undefined, which is useful for drawing a box around the edge of the screen, for example.

A terminal has switch-selectable automatic margins if the **am** capability is specified. If the terminal has a command that moves to the first column of the next line, you can define the **nel** (new-line) capability. It does not matter whether the command clears the remainder of the current line. Therefore, if the terminal has no **cr** and **lf**, a working **nel** can still be crafted out of one or both of them.

These capabilities suffice to describe printing terminals and simple CRT terminals. Thus, the Model 33 Teletype is described as:

```
33 | tty33 | tty | Model 33 Teletype
    bel=^G, cols#72, cr=^M, cud1=^J, hc, ind=^J, os, xon,
```

Another terminal is described as:

```
xxxx | x | xxxxxxxx,
      am, bel=^G, clear=^Z, cols#80, cr=^M, cub1=^H, cud1=^J,
      ind=^J, lines#24,
```

Parameterized Strings

Cursor-addressing and other strings requiring parameters are described by parameterized string capabilities. These strings have escape sequences similar to the **printf %x** format. For example, to address the cursor, you specify the **cup** capability using the row and column parameters.

The parameterized capabilities include:

Item	Description
cub1	Backspaces the cursor one space.
cup	Addresses the cursor using the row and column parameters. Rows and columns are numbered starting with 0 and refer to the physical screen visible to the user, not to memory.
hpa and vpa	Indicates the cursor has row or column absolute cursor addressing: horizontal position absolute (hpa) or vertical absolute (vpa). Sometimes the hpa and vpa capabilities are shorter than the more general two-parameter sequence and you can use them in preference to the cup capability. Parameterized local motions (such as, a move of <i>n</i> spaces to the right) are defined with the cud , cub , cuf , and cuu capabilities, with a single parameter indicating how many spaces to move. These capabilities are primarily useful if the terminal does not have cup capability.
indn and rin	Scrolls text. These are parameterized versions of the basic ind and ri capabilities. The <i>n</i> value is a number of lines.
mrcup	Indicates the terminal has memory-relative cursor addressing.

The parameter mechanism uses a stack and has special **%** (percent sign) codes to manipulate the stack. Typically, a sequence pushes one of the parameters onto the stack and then prints it in some format. Often, more complex operations are necessary. The encodings have the following meanings:

Item	Description
%%	Outputs a % (percent sign).
%[[:] Flags] [Width [.Precision]] [doxXs]	As in the printf command, flags are the [- + #] and space.
%d	Prints pop() as in the printf command (numeric string from stack).
%2d	Prints pop() like %2d (minimum 2 digits output from stack).

Item	Description
%3d	Prints pop() like %3d (minimum 3 digits output from stack).
%02d	Prints as in the printf command (2 digits output).
%03d	Prints as in the printf command (3 digits output).
%c	Prints pop() gives %c (character output from stack).
%s	Prints pop() gives %s (string output from stack).
%p[i]	Pushes the <i>i</i> th parameter onto the stack where <i>i</i> is a number between 1 and 9.
%P[a-z]	Sets variable [a-z] to pop() (variable output from stack).
%g[a-z]	Gets variable [a-z] and pushes it onto the stack.
%'c'	Character constant <i>c</i> .
%{nn}	Integer constant <i>nn</i> .
%l	Push strlen (pop())
%+ %- %* %/ %m	Arithmetic operators (%m is modulus): push (pop() <i>operation</i> pop()).
%& % %^	Bit operations: push (pop() <i>operation</i> pop()).
%= %> %<	Logical operations: push (pop() <i>operation</i> pop()).
%! %~	Unary operations: push (<i>operation</i> pop()).
%i	Add 1 to first two parameters (for ANSI terminals).
%?expr %t thenpart %e elsepart %;	If-then-else. The %e elsepart is optional. You can make an else-if construct as with Algol 68 in the following example, where ci denotes conditions and bi bodies.

```
%? c1 %t b1 %e c2 %t b2 %e c3 %t b3 %e b4 %;
```

Binary operations are in postfix form with the operands in the usual order. That is, to get $x - 5$ use `%gx %5}%-`.

If you use the - (minus sign) flag with `%[doxXs]`, then you must place a colon between the % (percent sign) and the - (minus sign) to differentiate the flag from the %- binary operation, for example, `%: -16.16s`.

Consider a terminal that needs to be sent `\E&a12c03Y` padded for 6 milliseconds to get to row 3 and column 12. Here the order of the rows and columns is inverted, and the row and column are zero-padded as two digits. Thus, the **cup** capability of this terminal is `cup=\E&a%p2%2.2dc%p1%2.2dY$<6>`.

Some terminals need the current row and column sent, preceded by a **^T**, with the row and column encoded in binary: `cup=^T%p1%c%p2%c`. Terminals that use **%c** need to be able to backspace the cursor (**cub1**) and to move the cursor up one line on the screen (**cuu1**). This is necessary because it is not always safe to transmit **\n**, **^D**, and **\r** characters, since the system may change or discard them.

Note: The library routines dealing with the **terminfo** database files set terminal modes so that tabs are not expanded by the operating system; thus, **\t** (tab) is safe to send.

A final example is a terminal that uses row and column offset by a blank character: `cup=\E=%p1%' \s '%+ %c%p2' \s '%+%c`. After sending `\E=`, this operation pushes the first parameter, pushes the ASCII value for a space (32), adds them (pushing the sum on the stack in place of the two previous values), and

outputs that value as a character. Then the same is done for the second parameter. More complex arithmetic is possible using the stack.

Cursor Motions

The top left corner of the screen is the home position. If the terminal has a fast way to get the cursor to the home position, specify the **home** capability. Specify, a fast way of getting to the bottom left corner with the **ll** capability. This method may involve going up (**cuu1**) from the home position, but a program should never do this itself (unless **ll** does) because the effect of moving up from the home position is not certain.

Note: The home position is the same as addressing (0,0) to the top left corner of the screen, not of memory.

If the terminal has row or column absolute-cursor addressing, you should specify the single **hpa** capability (horizontal position above) and the **vpa** capability (vertical position absolute). Sometimes these are shorter than the more general two parameter sequence and you can use them instead of the **cup** capability.

If the terminal has parameterized local motions for example, it is capable of moving the cursor *n* spaces right, you can specify the **cud**, **cub**, **cuf**, and **cuu** capabilities with a single parameter indicating how many spaces to move. These capabilities are useful if the terminal does not have the **cup** capability.

Area Clears

The following capabilities clear large areas of the terminal:

Item	Description
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- | | |
|------------|---|
| ed | Clears from the current position to the end of the display. This is defined only from the first column of a line. (Thus, it can be simulated by a request to delete a large number of lines, if a true ed is not available.) |
| el | Clears from the current cursor position to the end of the line without moving the cursor. |
| el1 | Clears from the beginning of the line to the current position, inclusive. The cursor is not moved. |

Scrolling

The following insert-line and delete-line capabilities are used to indicate a terminal can:

Item	Description
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- | | |
|------------|---|
| csr | Change the scrolling region. This capability takes two parameters: the top and bottom lines of the scrolling region. The top line of the screen is 0. After using this capability, the cursor position is undefined. See the sc and rc capabilities in this section. |
| da | Retain the display above the screen. If a line is deleted or the screen is scrolled, non-blank lines can be brought in at the top. This capability is usually defined for multipage terminals. |
| db | Retain the display below the screen. If a line is deleted or the screen is reverse scrolled, the terminal can bring the non-blank lines at the bottom. This capability is usually defined for multipage terminals. |
| dl1 | Delete the line the cursor is on. This is done only from the first position on the line to be deleted. Additionally, the dl capability takes a single parameter indicating the number of lines to be deleted. |
| il1 | Create a new blank line before the line where the cursor is currently located and scrolls the rest of the screen down. This is done only from the first position of a line. The cursor then appears on the newly blank line. Additionally, the il capability can take a single parameter indicating the number of lines to insert. |

Item	Description
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ind	Index or scroll forward. A terminal with this capability can shift the display up one line by deleting the top line and adding a blank line at the bottom.
indn	Specify the number of lines to scroll forward. This capability has meaning only if the ind capability is also defined.
rc	Restore the cursor. This capability is useful with the csr and sc capabilities.
ri	Reverse scrolling. With this capability, the terminal can shift the screen down by deleting the bottom line and adding a blank line at the top.
rin	Specify the number of lines to reverse scroll. This capability has meaning only if the ri capability also is defined.
sc	Save the cursor. If defined, you can use the sc capability to save the cursor before using the csr capability. Saving the cursor is necessary because the cursor position is undefined after you use the csr capability. Use the rc capability to restore the cursor to the position it held before you used the csr capability.
wind	Indicates the terminal has the ability to define a window as part of memory. This is a parameterized string capability with four parameters: the starting and ending lines in memory and the starting and ending columns in memory, in that order.

A terminal that has the **csr** capability can scroll part of its screen while leaving other lines above and below the region untouched. A forward scroll applied to a region deletes the top of the region, shifts, and adds a line to the bottom of the region. When finished with the scrolling region, you should use the **csr** capability to restore the scrolling region to the full screen.

Be sure you move the cursor into the scrolling region with the **cup** capability before you attempt to scroll the region. You should not move the cursor from the region until you are done with it.

Note: If you are using a terminal's **csr** capability, you may also need to use the **sc** and **rc** capability.

Terminals that have **csr** defined have a destructive scrolling region. Once a line is scrolled off the screen, the terminal cannot retrieve it. A terminal with a non-destructive scrolling region can restore scrolled lines by reversing the scrolling. Unless the **ind**, **ri**, **indn**, **rin**, **dl**, and **dl1** all simulate destructive scrolling, do not specify the **csr** capability if the terminal has non-destructive scrolling regions.

On multipage terminals, scrolling can put a line onto another page and scrolling in the opposite direction brings the line back. Similarly, deleting a line can cause a line from another page to appear on the screen. Multipage terminals should have the **da** and **db** capabilities defined so that programs that use scrolling can adjust their behavior.

A few terminals can define a window as part of memory. For these types of terminals, all clearing, deletion, insertion, and wrapping commands affect the area in memory where the window is defined.

Insert or Delete Character

Generally, terminals handle insert/delete character operations in one of two ways. The most common insert/delete character operations affect only the characters on the current line and shift characters to the right and off the line. Other terminals make a distinction between typed and untyped blanks on the screen. When inserting a character, the displayed data is shifted and an untyped blank is eliminated. Once all the untyped blanks are eliminated, the displayed data wraps to the next line if you continue to insert characters. When deleting a character, an untyped blank is added to the line to compensate for the deleted character.

Generally, terminals insert/delete characters in one-line mode or multiline mode. The two types of terminals also handle untyped spaces differently. One-line mode is the most common mode. In one-line mode, insert/delete character operations affect only the characters on the current line. Insertions shift characters to the right and off the line.

Multiline mode terminals can affect more than one line. In this mode, the terminal makes a distinction between typed and untyped blanks on the screen. Inserting a character on a multiline mode terminal shifts the displayed data and eliminates untyped blanks. If all the untyped blanks are eliminated and you continue to insert characters, the display wraps to the next line. When deleting a character, multiline terminals add an untyped blank to the line to compensate for the deleted character.

Determining Your Terminal's Type

Clearing a screen and then typing text separated by cursor motions helps you determine the type of insert/delete operations your terminal performs. Clear the screen, then proceed as follows:

1. Type `abc def` using local cursor movements, not spaces, between the `abc` and the `def`.
2. Position the cursor before the `abc`.
3. Place the terminal in insert mode.
4. Type a line of text. If your typing causes the `abc def` characters to shift right and exit the right side of the display, the terminal does not distinguish between blanks and untyped positions.

If the `abc` moves to positions to the immediate left of the `def` and the characters move to the right on the line, around the end, and to the next line, the terminal is the second type. This is described by the **in** capability, which signifies insert null.

Although these two attributes (one-line versus multiline insert mode, and different treatment of untyped spaces) are logically separate, there are no known terminals whose insert mode cannot be described with a single attribute.

Insert or Delete Character Capabilities

The **terminfo** database describes terminals that have an insert mode as well as terminals that send a simple sequence to open a blank position on the current line. The following are used to describe insert/delete character capabilities:

Item	Description
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dch1	Deletes a single character. The dch capability with one parameter, <i>n</i> , deletes <i>n</i> characters.
ech	Replaces the specified number of characters, starting at the cursor, with blanks. The cursor position remains unchanged.
ich1	Opens a space in a line for a character to be inserted. This sequence precedes the actual character insertion. Terminals with a true insert mode would not use this capability.
ip	Indicates post-padding needed. This is given as a number of milliseconds. Any other sequence that may need to be sent after inserting a single character can be given in this capability.
mir	Allows cursor movement while in insert mode. It is sometimes necessary to move the cursor while in insert mode to delete characters on the same line. Some terminals may not have this capability due to their handling of insert mode.
rmdc	Exits delete mode.
rmir	Ends insert mode.
rmp	Indicates that padding is necessary between characters typed while not in insert mode. This capability is used in replace mode.
smdc	Enters delete mode.
smir	Begins insert mode.

If you are creating a **terminfo** description for a terminal that requires an insert mode and also needs a special code to precede each inserted character, then define the **smir/rmr**, and **ich1** capabilities. The **ich** capability, with the one parameter *n*, opens up *n* spaces so that *n* characters can be inserted.

Highlighting, Underlining, and Visual Bells

If your terminal has one or more kinds of display attributes, such as highlighting, underlining, and visual bells, you can present these in a number of ways. Highlighting, such as standout mode, presents a high-contrast, easy-to-read format that adds emphasis to error messages and other important messages. Underlining is another method to focus attention on a particular portion of the terminal. Visual bells include methods such as flashing the screen. The following capabilities describe highlighting, underlining, and visual bells:

blink

Indicates terminal has blink highlighting mode.

bold

Indicates terminal has extra bright highlighting mode.

civis

Makes the cursor invisible.

cnorm

Displays a normal cursor. This capability reverses the effects of the **civis** and **cvvis** capabilities.

cvvis

Makes the cursor more visible than normal when it is not on the bottom line.

dim

Indicates the terminal has half-bright highlighting modes.

eo

Indicates that blanks erase overstrikes.

enacs

Specifies a command string that enables alternate character set mode. Some terminals cannot enter alternate character set mode without first receiving a specific command. The **enacs** capability defines the command.

flash

Indicates the terminal has a way of making the screen flash (as a bell replacement) for errors, without moving the cursor.

invis

Indicates the terminal has blanking or invisible-text highlighting modes.

msgr

Indicates it is safe to move the cursor in standout mode. Otherwise, programs using standout mode should exit this mode before moving the cursor or sending a new-line. Some terminals automatically leave standout mode when they move to a new line or when the cursor is addressed.

nrrmc

Indicates that the **smcup** sequence does not restore the screen after a **rmcup** sequence is output. This means that you cannot restore the screen to the state prior to outputting **rmcup**.

os

Indicates the terminal can overstrike an existing character without erasing the original. Overstriking creates a compound character.

prot

Indicates the terminal has protected text mode. This means the terminal protects the text from overwriting or erasing. The method of protection is terminal dependent.

rev

Indicates the terminal has reverse-video mode.

rmacs

Exits the alternate character set mode.

rmso

Exits standout mode.

rmul

Ends underlining.

sgr

Provides a sequence to set arbitrary combinations of attributes. The **sgr** capability can set nine attributes. In order, these attributes are the following:

- standout
- underline
- blink
- dim
- bold
- blank
- protect
- alternate character set

To turn a mode on, set it to a nonzero value. To turn a mode off, set it to 0. The **sgr** capability can only support those modes for which separate capabilities already exist on the terminal.

sgr0

Turns off all the special modes, including the alternate character set.

smacs

Enters the alternate character set mode.

smcup and rmcup

Indicate the terminal must be in a special mode when running a program that uses any of the highlighting, underlining, or visual bell capabilities. The **smcup** capability enters this mode, and the **rmcup** capability exits this mode.

This need arises, for example, with terminals having more than one page of memory. If the terminal has only memory-relative cursor addressing, and not screen-relative cursor addressing, a screen-sized window must be fixed into the terminal for cursor addressing to work properly. This is also used when the **smcup** capability sets the command character to be used by the **terminfo** database file.

smso

Enters standout mode.

smul

Begins underlining.

uc

Underlines the current character and moves the cursor one space to the right.

ul

Indicates the terminal correctly generates underlined characters (with no special codes needed), even though it does not overstrike.

xmc

Indicates the number of blanks left if the capability to enter or exit standout mode leaves blank spaces on the screen.

Highlighting, Overstriking, and Underlining

You should choose one display method as standout mode and use it to highlight error messages and other kinds of text to which you want to draw attention. For example, you could choose reverse-video plus half-bright or reverse-video alone. The sequences to enter and exit standout mode are given by the **smso** and **rmso** capabilities. If the code to change into or out of standout mode leaves one or even two blank spaces on the screen, then **xmc** should be given to tell how many spaces are left.

You should specify the **ul** boolean capability if your terminal generates underlined characters by using the underline character with no special codes. You should specify this capability even if the terminal does not otherwise overstrike characters. For terminals where a character overstriking another leaves both characters on the screen, specify the **os** capability. If the terminal can erase overstrikes with a blank, then indicate this by specifying the **eo** capability.

Example of Using the sgr Capability

The following example demonstrates how to use the **sgr** capability to turn on various modes. Assume that you must define a terminal that requires the following escape sequences to turn on various modes:

Terminfo Parameter	Mode	Escape Sequence
	none	\E[0m
p1	standout	\E[0;4;7m
p2	underline	\E[0;3m
p3	reverse	\E[0;4m
p4	blink	\E[0;5m
p5	dim	\E[0;7m
p6	bold	\E[0;3:4m
p7	invis	\E[0;8m
p8	protect	not available
p9	altcharset	^O (off) ^N (on)

Note: Each escape sequence requires a 0 to turn off other modes before turning on its own mode.

You can simulate some modes by combining others. In this example, the **standout** attribute escape sequence is a combination of the **reverse** and **dim** sequences. Also, in the example the **bold** sequence is a combination of the **reverse** and **underline** sequences. To combine such modes as **underline** and **blink**, the sequence to use would be \E[0;3;5m.

You cannot simulate certain modes by combining others. For example, you cannot simulate the **protect** mode. In this example, the system ignores the p8 parameter. The **altcharset** mode is different in that it is either **^O** or **^N**, depending on whether the alternate character mode set is on or off. If all modes were turned on, the sequence would appear as \E[0;3;4;5;7;8m^N.

Some sequences are outputted for one or more modes. For example, the ;3 is outputted when either the p2 parameter or p6 parameter is true. If you write out the above sequences along with their dependencies, the result is the following:

Sequence	When To Output	terminfo Translation
\E[0	always	\E[0
;3	if p2 or p6	%%p2%p6% %%t;3%;
;4	if p1 or p3 or p6	%%p1%p3% %%p6% %%t;4%;
;5	if p4	%%p4%%t;5%;
;7	if p1 or p5	%%p1%p5% %%t;7%;
;8	if p7	%%p1%%t;8%;
m	always	m
^N or ^O	if p9 ^N, else ^O	%%p9%%t^N%e^O%;

The final result would produce a **sgr** sequence that appears as follows:

```
sgr=\E[0%%p2%p6%|%%t;3%;%%p1%p3%|%%p6%|%%t;4%;%%p4%%t;5%;%%p1%p5%|%%t;7%;%%p1%%t;8%;m%%p9%%t^N%e^O%;
```

Keypad

If the terminal has a keypad that transmits codes when the keys are pressed, you can define this in the **terminfo** entry for the terminal. It is not possible to handle terminals where the keypad only works in local

mode. If the keypad can be set to transmit or not transmit, give these codes as **smkx** and **rmkx**. Otherwise, the keypad is assumed to always transmit.

To define the codes sent by the left-arrow, right-arrow, up-arrow, down-arrow, and home keys, use the **kcub1**, **kcuf1**, **kcud1**, and **khome** capabilities, respectively. If there are function keys such as F0, F1, ..., F63, the codes they send can be given as the **kf0**, **kf1**, ..., **kf63** capabilities. If the first eleven keys have labels other than the default F0 through F10, you can specify the labels with the **lf0**, **lf1**, ..., **lf10** capabilities. The codes transmitted by certain other special keys can be defined with:

Item	Description
kbs	Backspace key.
kclr	Clear-screen or erase key.
kctab	Clear the tab stop in this column.
kdch1	Delete-character key.
kdl1	Delete-line key.
ked	Clear to end of screen.
kel	Clear to end of line.
khts	Set a tab stop in this column.
kich1	Insert character or enter insert mode.
kil1	Insert line.
kind	Scroll forward or down, or both.
kll	Home down key (home is the lower left corner of the display, in this instance).
krmir	Exit insert mode.
knp	Next page.
kpp	Previous page.
ktbc	Clear-all-tabs key.
ri	Scroll backward or up, or both.

In addition, if the keypad has a three-by-three array of keys including the four arrow keys, specify the other five keys as **ka1**, **ka3**, **kb2**, **kc1**, and **kc3**. These keys are useful when you need the effects of a three-by-three directional pad.

Strings that program function keys can be given as the **pfkey**, **pfloc**, and **pfx** capabilities. A string to program the soft screen labels can be given as **pln**. Each of these strings takes two parameters: the function key number to program (from 0 to 10) and the string with which to program it. Function key numbers out of this range can program undefined keys in a terminal-dependent manner. The capabilities differ in that **pfkey** causes pressing a given key to be the same as the user typing the given string, **pfloc** causes the string to be executed by the terminal in local mode, and **pfx** causes the string to be transmitted to the computer. The capabilities **nlab**, **lw**, and **lh** define the number of soft labels and the width and height. Use **smln** and **rmln** to specify the commands for turning on and off soft labels. **smln** is normally output after one or more **pln** sequences to ensure the change becomes visible.

Tabs and Initialization

If the terminal has hardware tabs, you can use **ht** capability (usually Ctrl-I) to specify the command to advance to the next tab stop. To specify the command to move left toward the previous tab stop, use the **cbt** capability. By convention, if the terminal modes indicate that operating system is expanding the tabs rather than sending them to the terminal, programs should not use the **ht** or **cbt** capabilities even if they are present, since the user may not have the tab stops properly set.

If the terminal has hardware tabs that are initially set every *n* spaces when the terminal is powered up, its **terminfo** description should define the numeric capability **it** to show the number of spaces the tabs are set to. Normally, the **tput init** command uses the **it** parameter to determine whether to set the mode for hardware tab expansion and whether to set the tab stops. If the terminal has tab stops that can be saved in nonvolatile memory, the **terminfo** description can assume that they are properly set.

Other, similar capabilities include the **is1**, **is2**, and **is3** initialization strings for the terminal; the **iprog** capability that specifies the terminal's initialization program, and the **if** capability that identifies the name of a file containing long initialization strings. These strings are expected to set the terminal into modes consistent with the rest of the **terminfo** file description. They are normally sent to the terminal by the **tput init** command each time the user logs in. When the user logs in, the system does the following:

- Runs the **iprog** program.
- Prints **is1**.
- Print **is2**.
- Sets the margins using the **mgc**, **smgl**, and **smgr** capabilities.
- Sets the tabs using **tbc** and **hts** capabilities.
- Prints the **if** file.
- Prints **is3**.

You can set up special terminal modes without duplicating strings by putting the common sequences in the **is2** capability and special cases in the **is1** and **is3** capabilities. To specify sequences that do a harder reset from a totally unknown state, specify the **rs1**, **rs2**, **rs3**, and **rf** capabilities that are the same as **is1**, **is2**, **is3**, and the **if** capabilities.

A few terminals use the **if** and **rf** files. However, the recommended method is to use the initialization and reset strings. These strings are output by the **tput reset** command. This command is used when the terminal starts behaving strangely or is not responding at all. Commands are normally placed in the **rs1**, **rs2**, **rs3** and **rf** capabilities only if they produce annoying effects on the screen and are not necessary when logging in. For example, the command to set the terminal into 80-column mode would normally be part of **is2**, but it causes an annoying screen behavior and is not necessary since most terminals initialize in 80-column mode.

If there are commands to set and clear tab stops, specify them using the **tbc** (clear all tab stops) and the **hts** (set a tab stop in the current column of every row) capabilities. If a more complex sequence is needed to set the tabs, the place the sequence in the **is2** or the **if** capability.

The **mgc** capability can clear any margin. For more information about how to set and clear margins, see [Margins](#).

Miscellaneous Strings

If the terminal requires a character other than a null character as a pad, then specify the **pad** string. Only the first character of the **pad** string is used. If a terminal does not have a pad character, specify the **npc** capability.

If the terminal can move up or down half a line, define the **hu** (half-line up) and **hd** (half-line down) capabilities. These capabilities are primarily useful for superscripts and subscripts on hardcopy terminals. If a hardcopy terminal can eject to the next page (form feed), specify the as **ff** (usually Ctrl-L) capability.

If there is a command to repeat a given character a given number of times (to save time transmitting a large number of identical characters), this can be indicated with the **rep** parameterized string. The first parameter is the character to be repeated, and the second is the number of times to repeat it. Thus following:

```
tparm(repeat_char, 'x', 10)
```

is the same as

```
xxxxxxxxxx
```

If the terminal has a settable command character, such as the Tektronix 4025, indicate this with the **cmdch** capability. A prototype command character is chosen that is used in all capabilities. This character is given in the **cmdch** capability to identify it. On some UNIX systems, if the **CC** environment variable exists, all occurrences of the prototype character are replaced with the character in the **CC** variable.

Terminal descriptions that do not represent a specific kind of known terminal such as switch, dialup, patch, and network, should include the **gn** (generic) capability. This capability allows programs to return errors if they cannot talk to the terminal. The **gn** capability does not apply to virtual terminal descriptions for which the escape sequences are known. If a terminal is supported by the UNIX system virtual terminal protocol, use the **vt** capability to define its terminal number.

If a terminal uses xon/xoff handshaking for the flow control, its description should include the **xon** capability. You should still include padding information as well so that routines can make better decisions about costs. However, actual pad characters are not transmitted. To specify sequences to turn on and off xon/xoff handshaking, use the **smxon** and **rmxon** capabilities. If the characters used for handshaking are not ^S and ^Q, use the **xonc** and **xoffc** capabilities to define them.

If a terminal has a meta key that acts as a shift key to set the eighth bit of any character transmitted, identify the key with the **km** capability. Otherwise, software assumes that the eighth bit is parity, and it will usually be cleared. If strings exist to turn this meta mode on and off, they can be given as the **smm** and **rmm** capabilities.

If a terminal has more lines of memory than fit on the screen at once, use the **lm** capability to define the number of lines of memory. A value of **lm#0** indicates that the number of lines is not fixed, but that there are still more lines of memory than fit on the screen.

Media copy strings that control an auxiliary printer connected to the terminal are identified with the following capabilities:

Item	Description
mc0	Prints the contents of the screen
mc4	Turns off the printer, and
mc5	Turns on the printer. When the printer is on, all text sent to the terminal is sent to the printer. It is undefined whether the text is also displayed on the terminal screen when the printer is on.
mc5 p	Leaves the printer on for a specified number of characters and then turns the printer off. The parameter passed to mc5p should not exceed 255.

If the terminal screen does not display the text when the printer is on, specify the **mc5i** capability to signify a silent printer. All text, including the **mc4**, is transparently passed to the printer while an **mc5p** is in effect.

Status Lines

You can use the **terminfo** entry to indicate that the terminal has an extra status line that is not normally used by software,. If the status line is viewed as an extra line below the bottom line, into which the cursor can be addressed normally, the **hs** capability should be given. Special strings to go to the beginning of the status line and to return from the status line can be given as the **tsl** and **fsl** capabilities, respectively. (The **fsl** must leave the cursor position in the same place it was before the **tsl**. If necessary, the **sc** string and the **rc** string can be included in **tsl** and **fsl** to get this effect.) The **tsl** capability takes one parameter, which is the column number of the status line to which the cursor is to be moved.

If escape sequences and other special commands, such as tab, work while in the status line, specify the **eslok** capability. A string that turns off the status line (or otherwise erases its contents) should be given as **dsl**. If the terminal has commands to save and restore the position of the cursor, give them as **sc** and **rc** capabilities. The status line is normally assumed to be the same width as the rest of the screen, such as

cols. If the status line is a different width (possibly because the terminal does not allow an entire line to be loaded), the width, in columns, can be indicated with the **ws1** numeric parameter.

Line Graphics

If the terminal has a line drawing alternate character set, specify the mapping of glyph to character in the **acs** capability. The definition of this string is based on the alternate character set used in the DEC VT100 terminal, extended slightly with some characters from the AT&T4410v1 terminal. Use the following to define the string:

Glyph Name	vt100+ Character
arrow pointing right	+
arrow pointing left	,
arrow pointing down	.
solid square block	O
lantern symbol	I
arrow pointing up	-
diamond	'
check board (stipple)	a
degree symbol	f
plus or minus sign	g
board of squares	h
lower right corner	j
upper right corner	k
upper left corner	l
lower left corner	m
plus	n
scan line 1	o
horizontal line	q
scan line 9	s
left tee	t
right tee	u
bottom tee	v
top tee	w
vertical line	x
bullet	~

The best way to describe a new terminal's line graphics set is to add a third column to the above table with the characters for the new terminal that would produce the appropriate glyph when the terminal is in alternate character set mode. For example:

glyph name	vt100 character	tty character
upper left corner	l	R

lower left corner	m	F
upper right corner	k	T
lower right corner	j	G
horizontal line	q	,
vertical line	x	.

Then, you specify the **acsc** capability by specifying the characters from left to right as follows:

```
acsc=lRmFkTjGq\,x.
```

Color Manipulation

There are two methods of color manipulation, the HP method and the Tektronix method. Most existing color terminals belong to one of these two classes. The Tektronix method uses a set of N predefined colors (usually 8) from which a user can select *current* foreground and background colors. Thus, the terminal can support up to N colors mixed into $N*N$ color-pairs that are displayed on the screen at the same time.

The HP method restricts the user from both defining the foreground independently of the background or the background independently of the foreground. Instead, the user must define an entire color-pair at once. Up to M color-pairs, made from $2*M$ different colors, can be defined this way.

The numeric variables **colors** and **pairs** define the number of colors and color-pairs that the terminal can display on the screen at one time. If a terminal can change the definition of a color, you should specify the **ccc** capability. To change the definition of a color using the Tektronix method, use the **initc** capability. This capability requires four parameters: a color number ranging from 0 to colors-1 and three Red, Green, Blue (RGB) values ranging from 0 to 1,000.

Tektronix 4100 series terminals use a type of color notation called HLS (Hue Lightness Saturation) instead of RGB color notation. For such terminals, you should define the **hls** boolean capability. The last three arguments to the **initc** capability would then be HLS values where H ranges from 0 to 360 and L and S range from 0 to 100.

Note: If a terminal can change the definitions of colors but uses a color notation different from RGB or HLS, you must develop a mapping to either RGB or HLS.

To set current foreground and background to a given color, use the **setf** and **setb** capabilities. These capabilities require a single parameter that specifies the number of the color. To use the HP method to initialize a color-pair, use the **initp** capability. This capability requires seven parameters:

- the number of the color-pair in the range of 0 to pairs -1
- three RGB values for the foreground
- three RGB values for the background

When you use the **initc** or **initp** capabilities, be sure you specify the values in the order red, green, blue or hue, lightness, saturation, respectively. To make a color-pair current, use the **scp** capability. This capability takes one parameter, the number of the color-pair.

Some terminals erase areas of the screen with the current background color. In such cases, define the **bce** capability. The **op** capability contains a sequence for setting the foreground and the background colors to what they were at the terminal start-up time. Similarly, the **oc** capability contains a control sequence for setting all colors or -pairs to the values they had at the terminal start-up time.

Some color terminals substitute color for video attributes. Such video attributes should not be combined with colors. You should pack information about these video attributes into the **ncv** capability. There is a one-to-one correspondence between the nine least significant bits of that variable and the video attributes. The following table depicts this correspondence:

Attribute	NCV Bit Number
A_STANDOUT	0
A_UNDERLINE	1
A_REVERSE	2
A_BLINK	3
A_DIM	4
A_BOLD	5
A_INVIS	6
A_PROTECT	7
A_ALTCHARSET	8

When a particular video attribute should not be used with colors, the corresponding **ncv** bit should be set to 1. Otherwise, set the bit to 0. For example, if the terminal uses colors to simulate reverse video and bold, bits 2 and 5 should be set to 1. The resulting values for **ncv** will be 22.

Special Cases

Some terminals require special support by the **terminfo** database. These terminals are not deficient. These terminals have hardware that may be slightly different than what the **terminfo** database expects of most terminals. Some of the special cases are discussed in this section. The programmer's manual for a terminal should provide all the information you need to code a **terminfo** description for the terminal.

For terminals that do not allow the ~ (tilde) character, use the **hz** capability.

Descriptions of terminals that ignore a line-feed character immediately after an **am** wrap should include the **xenl** capability. Those terminals whose cursor remains on the right-most column until another character is received rather than wrapping immediately upon receiving the right-most character, should also use the **xenl** capability.

If **el** capability is required to get rid of standout (instead of merely writing normal text on top of it), then you should specify **xhp** capability.

Terminals for which tabs change all moved characters into blanks should indicate the **xt** capability (destructive tabs). This capability is interpreted to mean that it is not possible to position the cursor on top of the pads inserted for standout mode. Instead, it is necessary to erase standout mode using delete and insert line.

A terminal that is unable to correctly transmit the ESC (escape) or Ctrl-C characters should specify the **xsb** capability, indicating that the F1 key is used for ESC and the F2 key is used for Ctrl-C.

Other specific terminal problems can be corrected by adding more capabilities.

Similar Terminals

If two terminals are very similar, you can define one as being just like the other with the **use** string capability. You can also use all of the definitions from an existing description and identify exceptions. The capabilities given before the **use** capability override those in the terminal type called by the **use** capability. To cancel a capability place **xx@** to the left of the **use** capability definition, where **xx** is the capability. For example, the entry:

```
term-nl | Terminal smkx@, rmkx@, use=term
```

defines a terminal that does not have either the **smkx** or the **rmkx** capability, and hence does not turn on the function key labels when in visual mode. This is useful for different terminal modes or for different user preferences. You can specify more than one **use** capability.

Printer Capabilities

The **terminfo** database allows you to define the capabilities of printers as well as terminals. To find out what capabilities are available for printers as well as for terminals, see the two lists under Terminal Capabilities that list the capabilities by variable and by capability name.

Rounding Values

Because parameterized string capabilities work only with integer values, we recommend that **terminfo** designers create strings that expect rounded numeric values. Programmers should always round values to the nearest integer before using them with a parameterized string capability.

Printer Resolution

A printer's resolution is the smallest spacing of characters it can achieve. In general, printers have independent resolution horizontally and vertically. To determine the vertical resolution of a printer, measure the smallest achievable distance between consecutive printing baselines. To determine the horizontal resolution, measure the smallest achievable distance between the left-most edges of consecutive printed, identical, characters.

The **terminfo** database assumes all printers are capable of printing with a uniform horizontal and vertical resolution. The **terminfo** database currently interacts with printers as if they print inside a uniform matrix. All characters are printed at fixed positions relative to each cell in the matrix. Furthermore, each cell has the same size given by the smallest horizontal and vertical step sizes dictated by the resolution.

Many printers are capable of proportional printing where the horizontal spacing depends on the size of the last character printed. The **terminfo** database does not make use of this capability, although it does provide enough capability definitions to allow an application to simulate proportional printing.

A printer must not only be able to print characters as close together as the horizontal and vertical resolutions suggest, but also of moving to a position that is an integral multiple of the smallest distance away from a previous position. Thus, printed characters can be spaced apart a distance that is an integral multiple of the smallest distance, up to the length or width of a single page.

Some printers can have different resolutions depending on different modes. In normal mode, the existing **terminfo** capabilities are assumed to work on columns and lines, just like a video terminal. For example, the old **lines** capability specifies the length of a page in lines, and the **cols** capability specifies the width of a page in columns. In **micro** mode many **terminfo** capabilities work on increments of lines and columns. With some printers, the **micro** mode may exist concurrently with **normal** mode, so that all the capabilities work at the same time.

Specifying Printer Resolution

You can specify a printer's printing resolution with several different capabilities. Each capability specifies distance in a different way. The following capabilities define print resolution:

Capability	Defined as
orhi	steps per inch horizontally
orvi	steps per inch vertically
orc	steps per column
orl	steps per line

When printing in normal mode, each character printed causes the printer to move to the next column, except in special cases described later. The distance moved is the same as the per-column resolution. Some printers cause an automatic movement to the next line when a character is printed in the rightmost position. The vertical distance moved is the same as the per-line resolution. When printing in micro mode, these distances can be different, and may be zero for some printers. The following specify printer resolution automatic motion after printing:

Capability	Defined as
orc	Steps moved horizontally in normal mode.
orl	Steps moved vertically in normal mode.
mcs	Steps moved horizontally in micro mode.
mls	Steps moved vertically in micro mode.

Some printers can print wide characters. The distance moved when a wide character is printed in normal mode may be different from when a regular width character is printed. The distance moved when a wide character is printed in micro mode may also be different from when a regular character is printed in micro mode, but the differences are assumed to be related.

If the distance moved for a regular character is the same in normal mode or micro mode (**mcs=ocs**), then the distance moved for a wide character is also the same in both modes. This does not mean the normal character distance is necessarily the same as the wide character distance, just that the distances do not change with a change from normal to micro mode. Use the **widcs** capability to specify the printer resolution when the automatic motion after printing a wide character is the same in both normal or micro mode.

If the distance moved for a regular character is different in micro mode from the distance moved in normal mode (**mcs<orc**), you can assume the micro mode distance is the same for a wide character printed in micro mode. In this case, you use the **mcs** capability to specify the distance moved. The printer uses the value you specify for both regular and wide characters

A printer may use control sequences to change the number of columns per inch (the character pitch) and to change the number of lines per inch (the line pitch). If these are used, the resolution of the printer changes but the type of change depends on the printer.

Capability	Defined as
cpi	Change character pitch.
cpix	If set, cpi changes orhi , otherwise the cpi capability changes the orc value.
lpi	Change line pitch
lpix	If set, lpi changes the orvi value, otherwise the orl value is changed.
chr	Changes steps per column.
cvr	Changes steps per line.

The **cpi** and **lpi** string capabilities have a single argument, the pitch in columns (or characters) and lines per inch, respectively. The **chr** capability and **cvr** string capabilities each have a single argument, the number of steps per column and line, respectively.

Using any of the control sequences in these strings implies a change in some of the values of the **orc**, **orhi**, **orl**, and **orvi** capabilities. Also, the distance moved when a wide character is printed, specified by the **widcs** capability, changes in relation to the **orc** value. The distance moved when a character is printed in micro mode, **mcs**, changes similarly, with one exception: if the distance is 0 or 1, then no change is assumed.

Programs that use the **cpi**, **lpi**, **chr**, or **cvr** capability should recalculate the printer resolution and should recalculate other values. For more information, see [Effect of Changing Printing Resolution](#) .

The following figure, "Specification of Printer Resolution Effects of Changing the Character/Line Pitches" shows the effects on printer resolution before and after a change.

This illustration shows the effects of changing characterpitch and line pitch on printer resolution.

Specification of Printer Resolution	
Effects of Changing the Character/Line Pitches	
<i>Before</i>	<i>After</i>
<i>Using cpi with cpixclear:</i>	
orhi '	orhi
orc '	$\text{orc} = \frac{\text{orhi}}{V_{cpi}}$
<i>Using cpi with cpixset:</i>	
orhi '	$\text{orhi} = \text{orc} \cdot V_{cpi}$
orc '	orc
<i>Using lpi with lpixclear:</i>	
orvi '	orvi
orl '	$\text{orl} = \frac{\text{orvi}}{V_{lpi}}$
<i>Using lpi with lpixset:</i>	
orvi '	$\text{orvi} = \text{orl} \cdot V_{lpi}$
orl '	orl
<i>Using chr:</i>	
orhi '	orhi
orc '	V_{chr}
<i>Using cvr:</i>	
orvi '	orvi
orl '	V_{cvr}
<i>Using cpi or chr:</i>	
widcs '	$\text{widcs} = \text{widcs}' \frac{\text{orc}}{\text{orc}'}$
mcs ' †	$\text{mcs} = \text{mcs}' \frac{\text{orc}}{\text{orc}'}$

V_{cpi} , V_{lpi} , V_{chr} , and V_{cvr} are the arguments used with **cpi**, **lpi**, **chr**, and **cvr** respectively. The dagger symbol indicates the old value.

Capabilities that Cause Movement

In the following descriptions, *movement* refers to the motion of the *current position*. With video terminals this would be the cursor; with some printers this is the carriage position. Other printers have different equivalents. In general, the current position is where a character would be displayed if printed.

The **terminfo** database has string capabilities for control sequences that cause movement a number of full columns or lines. It also has equivalent string capabilities for control sequences that cause movement a number of small steps. The following are the string capabilities for motion:

Capability	Description
mcub1	Move 1 step left.
mcuf1	Move 1 step right.
mcuu1	Move 1 step up.
mcud1	Move 1 step down.
mcub	Move <i>N</i> steps left.
mcuf	Move <i>N</i> steps right.
mcuu	Move <i>N</i> steps up.
mcud	Move <i>N</i> steps down.
mhpa	Move <i>N</i> steps from the left.
mvpa	Move <i>N</i> steps from the top.

The last six strings are each used with a single *N* argument.

Sometimes the motion is limited to less than the width or length of a page. Also, some printers do not accept absolute motion to the left of the current position. The following capabilities limit motion:

Capability	Description
mjump	Limits the use of mcub1 , mcuf1 , mcuu1 , and mcud1 capabilities.
maddr	Limits the use of the mhpa and mvpa capabilities.
xhpa	If set, the hpa and mhpa capabilities are negated.
xvpa	If set, the vpa and mvpa capabilities are negated.

If a printer needs to be in *micro mode* for the motion capabilities to work, you can define a string capability to contain the control sequence to enter and exit micro mode. A boolean is available for those printers where using a carriage return causes an automatic return to normal mode. The following capabilities are related to micro mode behavior:

Capability	Description
smicm	Enter micro mode.
rmicm	Exit micro mode.
crxm	Using the key specified by the cr capability exits micro mode.

The movement made when a character is printed in the rightmost position varies among printers. Some make no movement, some move to the beginning of the next line, others move to the beginning of the same line. The **terminfo** database has boolean capabilities that description all three cases. The **sam** capability specifies that the printer automatically moves to the beginning of the same line after the character is printed in the rightmost margin.

Some printers can be put in a mode where the normal direction of motion is reversed. This mode is especially useful when there exists no capabilities for leftward or upward motion, you can build these capabilities from the motion reversal capability and the rightward or downward motion capabilities. It is best to leave it up to an application to build the leftward or upward capabilities, though, and not enter them into to the **terminfo** database. This allows several reverse motions to be strung together without intervening wasted steps that leave and reenter reverse mode. The following capabilities control entering and exiting reverse modes:

Capability	Description
slm	Reverse sense of horizontal motions.

Capability	Description
rlm	Restore sense of horizontal motions.
sum	Reverse sense of vertical motions.
rum	Restore sense of vertical motions.

The following capabilities affect the screen while the horizontal motions are reversed:

Capability	Description
mcub1	Move 1 step right.
mcuf1	Move 1 step left.
mcub	Move <i>N</i> steps right.
mcuf	Move <i>N</i> steps left.
cub1	Move 1 column right.
cuf1	Move 1 column left.
cub	Move <i>N</i> columns right.
cuf	Move <i>N</i> columns left.

The following capabilities affect the screen while the vertical motions are reversed:

Capability	Description
mcuu1	Move 1 step down.
mcud1	Move 1 step up.
mcuu	Move <i>N</i> steps down.
mcud	Move <i>N</i> steps up.
cuu1	Move 1 line down.
cud1	Move 1 line up.
cuu	Move <i>N</i> lines down.
cud	Move <i>N</i> lines up.

The reverse motion mode should not affect the **mvpa** and **mhpa** absolute motion capabilities. The reverse vertical motion mode should, however, also reverse the action of the line *wrapping* that occurs when a character is printed in the right-most position. Thus printers that have the standard **terminfo** capability **am** defined should move to the beginning of the previous line when a character is printed on the right-most position and the printer is in reverse-vertical motion mode.

The action when any other motion capabilities are used in reverse motion modes is not defined. Thus, programs must exit reverse motion modes before using other motion capabilities.

Two miscellaneous capabilities complete the list of new motion capabilities, the **docr** and the **zerom** capability. The **docr** capability provides a list of control characters that cause a carriage return. This capability is useful for printers that move the current position to the beginning of a line when certain control characters, like line-feed or form-feed are used. The **zerom** capability prevents automatic motion after printing a single character. This capability suspends the motion that normally occurs after printing a character.

Margins

The **terminfo** database provides two strings for setting margins on terminals: one for the left and one for the right margin. Printers, however, have two additional margins for the top and bottom margins of each page. Furthermore, some printers do not require using motion strings to move the current position to a

margin and fixing the margin there, as with existing capabilities, but require the specification of where a margin should be regardless of the current position. Therefore, the **terminfo** database offers six additional strings for defining margins with printers. The following capabilities affect margins:

Capability	Definition
smgl	Set left margin at the current column.
smgr	Set right margin at the current column.
smgb	Set the soft bottom margin at the current line.
smgt	Set the soft top margin at the current line.
smgbp	Set the soft bottom margin at line <i>N</i> .
smglp	Set the soft left margin at column <i>N</i> .
smgrp	Set the soft right margin at column <i>N</i> .
smgtp	Set soft top margin at line <i>N</i> .

The last four strings are used with a single *N* parameter. This parameter specifies a line or column number, where 0 is the top line and column 0 is the left-most column.

Note: Not all printers use 0 for the top line or the left-most column.

All margins can be cleared with the **mgc** capability.

Shadows, Italics, Wide Characters, Superscripts, and Subscripts

Five new sets of strings are used to describe the capabilities that printers have of enhancing printed text. The following define enhanced printing capabilities:

Capability	Definition
sshm	Enter shadow-printing mode.
rshm	Exit shadow-printing mode.
sitm	Enter italicizing mode.
ritm	Exit italicizing mode.
swidm	Enter wide-character mode.
rwidm	Exit wide-character mode.
ssupm	Enter superscript mode.
rsupm	Exit superscript mode.
supcs	List of characters available as superscripts.
ssubm	Enter subscript mode.
rsubm	Exit subscript mode.
subcs	List of characters available as subscripts.

If a printer requires the **sshm** control sequence before every character to be shadow-printed, the **rshm** string is left blank. Thus, programs that find a control sequence in **sshm** but none in shadow printing mode should use the control sequence specified by the **sshm** capability before every character to be shadow printed. Otherwise, the control sequence should be used once before the set of characters to be shadow-printed, followed by exiting shadow-printing mode.

The **terminfo** database also has a capability for printing emboldened text, the **bold** capability. While shadow printing and emboldened printing are similar in that they darken the text, many printers produce these two types of print in slightly different ways. Generally emboldened printing is done by overstriking

the same character one or more times. Shadow printing likewise usually involves overstriking, but with a slight movement up and/or to the side so that the character is fatter.

It is assumed that enhanced printing modes are independent modes, so that it would be possible, for instance, to shadow print italicized subscripts.

As mentioned earlier, the amount of motion automatically made after printing a wide character should be given in the **widcs** capability.

If only a subset of the printable ASCII characters can be printed as superscripts or subscripts, they should be listed in the **supcs** or **subcs** capabilities, respectively. If the **ssupm** or **ssubm** strings contain control sequences, but the corresponding **supcs** or **subcs** strings are empty, it is assumed that all printable ASCII characters are available as superscripts or subscripts.

Automatic motion made after printing a superscript or subscript is assumed to be the same as for regular characters. For example, printing any of the following result in equivalent motion:

```
Bi Bi Bi
```

The boolean capability **msgr** describes whether an application can use motion control sequences while in standout mode. This capability is extended to cover the enhanced printing modes added here. The **msgr** capability should be set for those printers that accept any motion control sequences without affecting shadow, italicized, widened, superscript, or subscript printing. Conversely, if the **msgr** capability is not set, a program should end these modes before attempting any motion.

Alternate Character Sets

In addition to allowing you to define line graphics, the **terminfo** database also lets you define alternate character sets. The following capabilities cover printers and terminals with multiple selectable or definable character sets:

Capability	Definition
scs	Select character set <i>N</i> . The <i>N</i> parameter specifies a number from 0 to 63 that identifies a character set.
scsd	Start definition of character set <i>N</i> , <i>M</i> characters. The <i>N</i> parameter specifies a number from 0 to 63 that identifies a character set and the <i>M</i> parameter specifies the number of characters in the set.
defc	Defines a character <i>A</i> to be <i>B</i> dots wide with a descender <i>D</i> . The <i>A</i> parameter is the ASCII code representation for the character. The <i>B</i> parameter specifies the width of the character in dots. The <i>D</i> parameter specifies whether the character is a descender or not. If the character is a descender, specify a 1 for the <i>D</i> parameter. Otherwise, specify a 1. This string is followed by a string of image-data bytes that describe how the character looks.
rcsd	End definition of character set <i>N</i> . The <i>N</i> parameter specifies a number from 0 to 63 that identifies a character set.
csnm	List of character set names.
daisy	Indicates the printer has manually changed print-wheels.

Character set 0 is the default character set. This is the set that is present after the printer is initialized. Not every printer supports 64 character sets. If you specify a set that a printer does not support, the **tparm** subroutine returns a null result.

If your application must define a character before using it, use the **scsd** control sequence before defining the character set, and the **rcsd** after. If you specify an invalid character set for either of these capabilities, the **tparm** subroutine returns a null resolution. If your application must select a character set after it is defined, the **scs** control sequence should follow the **rcsd** control sequence. By examining the results of using each of the **scs**, **scsd**, and **rcsd** strings with a character set number in a call to the **tparm** subroutine, a program can determine which of the three are needed.

Between use of the **scsd** and **rcsd** strings, the **defc** string should be used to define each character. To print any character on printers defined in the **terminfo** database, the ASCII cod is sent to the printer. This is true for characters in an alternate set as well as *normal* characters. Thus, the definition of a character includes the ASCII code that represents it. In addition, the width of the character includes the ASCII code that represents it. In addition, the width of the character in dots is given, along with an indication of whether the character is a descender. A descender is a character whose shape extends below the baseline, for example the character g is a descender. The width of the character in dots also indicates the number of image-data bytes that will follow the **defc** string. These image-data bytes indicate where in a dot-matrix pattern ink should be applied to *draw* the character. The number of these bytes and their form are defined below under Dot-Mapped Graphics.

It is easiest for the creator of **terminfo** entries to refer to each character set by number. However, these numbers will be meaningless to the application developer. The **csnm** capability alleviates this problem by providing names for each number.

When used with a character set number in a call to the **tparm** subroutine, the **csnm** capability produces the equivalent name. Use these names as a references only. No naming convention is implied, although anyone who creates a **terminfo** entry for a printer should use names consistent with the names found in user documents for the printer. Application developers should allow a user to specify a character set by number (leaving it up to the user to examine the **csnm** string to determine the correct number), or by name, where the application examines the **csnm** capability to determine the corresponding character set number.

The alternate character set capabilities are likely to be used only with dot-matrix printers. If they are not available, do not define these strings. For printers that have manually changed print-wheels or font cartridges, set the boolean **daisy** capability.

Dot-Matrix Graphics

Dot-matrix printers typically have the capability to reproduce raster-graphics images. Three new numeric capabilities and three new string capabilities can help a program draw raster-graphic images independent of the type of dot-matrix printer or the number of pins or dots the printer can handle at one time. The dot-matrix capabilities are as follows:

Capability	Definition
npins	Number of pins <i>N</i> in the print-head. The <i>N</i> parameter specifies the number of pins.
spinv	Spacing of pins vertically in pins per inch.
spinh	Spacing of dots horizontally in dots per inch.
porder	Matches software bits to print-head pins.
sbim	Start printing bit image graphics, <i>B</i> bits wide. The <i>B</i> value specifies the width of the image in dots.
rbim	End printing bit image graphics.

The model of dot-matrix or raster-graphics that the **terminfo** database presents is similar to the technique used for most dot-matrix printers. Each pass of the printer's print-head is assumed to produce a dot-matrix that is *N* dots high and *B* dots wide. This is typically a wide, squat, rectangle of dots. The height of this rectangle in dots varies from one printer to the next. This is given in the **npins** numeric capability. The size of the rectangle in fractions of an inch will also vary. The size can be deduced from the **spinv** and **spinh** numeric capabilities. With these three values an application can divide a complete raster-graphics image into several horizontal strips, perhaps interpolating to account for different dot spacing vertically and horizontally.

The **sbim** and **rbim** capabilities are used to start and end a dot-matrix image, respectively. The **sbim** capability is used with a single argument that gives the width of the dot-matrix in dots. A sequence of image-data bytes are sent to the printer after the **sbim** capability and before the **rbim** string. The number of bytes is an integral multiple of the width of the dot-matrix. The multiple and the form of each byte is determined by the **porder** capability is described below.

The **porder** capability is a comma-separated list of pin numbers. The position of each pin number in the list corresponds to a bit in a data byte. The pins are numbered consecutively from 1 to **npins**, with 1 being the top pin. The term pin is used loosely here. Ink-jet dot matrix printers don't have pins but they do have an equivalent method of applying a single dot of ink to paper. The bit positions in **porder** are in groups of 8, with the first position in each group the most significant bit and the last position the least significant bit.

The image-data bytes are computed from the dot-matrix image, mapping vertical dot positions in each print-head pass into eight-bit bytes, using a 1 bit where ink should be applied and 0 where no ink should be applied. If a position is skipped in **porder**, a 0 bit is used. There must be a multiple of 8 bit positions used or skipped in **porder**. If not, 0 bits are used to fill the last byte in the least significant bits.

Effect of Changing Printing Resolution

If the control sequences to change the character pitch or the line pitch are used, the pin or dot spacing may change. The following capabilities change pitch on dot-matrix graphics:

Capabilities	Definition
cpi	Change the character pitch.
cpix	If set, cpi changes spinh .
lpi	Change line pitch.
lpix	If set, lpi changes spinv .

Programs that use **cpi** or **lpi** should recalculate the dot spacing. The following figure "Dot-Matrix Graphics Effects of Changing the Character/Line Pitches" shows graphics both before and after a change in pitch.

Dot-Matrix Graphics Effects of Changing the Character/Line Pitches	
Before	After
Using cpi with cpix clear: spinh'	spinh
Using cpi with cpix set: spinh'	$\text{spinh} = \text{spinh}' \cdot \frac{\text{orhi}}{\text{orhi}'}$
Using lpi with lpix clear: spinv'	spinv
Using lpi with lpix set: spinv'	$\text{spinv} = \text{spinv}' \cdot \frac{\text{orhi}}{\text{orhi}'}$
Using chr : spinh'	spinh
Using cvr : spinv'	spinv

Figure 1. Dot-Matrix Graphics

The **orhi'** and **orhi** values are the values of the horizontal resolution in steps per inch, before using **cpi** and after using **cpi**, respectively. Likewise, **orvi'** and **orvi** are the values of the vertical resolution in steps per inch, before using **lpi** and after using **lpi**, respectively. Thus, the changes in the dots per inch for dot-matrix graphics follow the changes in steps per inch for printer resolution.

Print Quality

Many dot-matrix printers can alter the dot spacing of printed text to produce near letter-quality printing or draft-quality printing. Usually, it is important to be able to choose one or the other because the rate of printing generally falls off as the quality improves. The capabilities that specify print quality are the following:

Capability	Definition
snlq	Set near-letter quality print.
snrmq	Set normal quality print.
sdrfq	Set draft-quality print.

The capabilities are listed in decreasing levels of quality. If a printer does not have all three levels, one or two of the strings should be left blank as appropriate.

Printing Rate and Buffer Size

Because there is no standard protocol that synchronizes a printer with a program, and because modern printers can buffer data before printing it, a program generally cannot determine at any time what has printed. Two new numeric capabilities can help a program estimate what has printed, the **cps** and **bufsz** capabilities.

The **cps** capability specifies the nominal print rate in characters per second. The **cps** capability is the nominal or average rate at which the printer prints characters. If this value is not given, estimate the rate at one-tenth the prevailing baud rate.

The **bufsz** capability defines a terminal's buffer capacity in characters. The **bufsz** value is the maximum number of subsequent characters buffered before the guaranteed printing of an earlier character, assuming proper flow control was used. If this value is not given it is assumed that the printer does not buffer characters, but prints them as they are received.

As an example, if a printer has a 1000-character buffer, then sending the letter "a" followed by 1000 additional characters is guaranteed to cause the letter "a" to print. If the same printer prints at the rate of 100 characters per second, then it should take 10 seconds to print all the characters in the buffer, less if the buffer is not full. By keeping track of the characters sent to a printer, and knowing the print rate and buffer size, a program can synchronize itself with the printer.

Most printer manufacturers advertise the maximum print rate, not the nominal print rate. A good way to get a value to put in for **cps** is to generate a few pages of text, count the number of printable characters, then see how long it takes to print the text.

Applications that use these values should recognize the variability in the print rate. Straight text, in short lines, with no embedded control sequences will probably print at close to the advertised print rate and probably faster than the rate in **cps**. Graphics data with a lot of control sequences, or very long lines of text, will print at well below the advertised rate and below the rate in **cps**. If the application is using **cps** to decide how long it should take a printer to print a block of text, the application should pad the estimate. If the application is using **cps** to decide how much text has already been printed, it should shrink the estimate. The application errs in favor of the user, who wants, above all, to see all the output in its correct place.

Database File Names

Compiled **terminfo** file descriptions are placed in subdirectories under the **/usr/share/lib/terminfo** directory to avoid performing linear searches through a single directory containing all of the **terminfo** file description files. A given description file is stored in the **/usr/share/lib/terminfo/c/name** file, where *name* is the name of the terminal, and *c* is the first letter of the terminal name. For example, the compiled description for the terminal **term4-nl** can be found in the file **/usr/share/lib/terminfo/t/term4-nl**. You can create synonyms for the same terminal by making multiple links to the same compiled file. (See the **ln** command on how to create multiple links to a file.)

Example

The following **terminfo** entry describes a terminal:

```
hft|High Function Terminal,
  cr=^M, cud1=\E[B, ind=\E[S, bel=^G, il1=\E[L, am,
  cub1=^H, ed=\E[J, el=\E[K, clear=\E[H\E[J,
  cup=\E[%p1%d;%p2%dH, cols#80, lines#25,
  dch1=\E[P, dl1=\E[M, home=\E[H,
  ich=\E[%p1%d@, ich1=\E[@, smir=\E[6, rmir=\E[6,
  bold=\E[1m, rev=\E[7m, blink=\E[5m, invis=\E[8m, sgr0=\E[0m,
  sgr=\E[%?%p1%t7;%;%?%p2%t4;%;%?%p3%t7;%;%?%p4%t5;%;%?%p6%t1;%;m,
  kcuu1=\E[A, kcud1=\E[B, kcub1=\E[D,
  kcu1=\E[C, khome=\E[H, kbs=^H,
  cuf1=\E[C, ht=^I, cuu1=\E[A, xon,
  rmul1=\E[m, smul=\E[4m, rmso=\E[m, smso=\E[7m,
  kpp=\E[150q, knp=\E[154q,
  kf1=\E[001q, kf2=\E[002q, kf3=\E[003q, kf4=\E[004q,
  kf5=\E[005q, kf6=\E[006q, kf7=\E[007q, kf8=\E[008q,
  kf9=\E[009q, kf10=\E[010q,
  bw, eo, it#8, ms,
  ch=\E%i%p1%dG, ech=\E[%p15dx,
  kdch1=\E[P, kind=\E[151q, kich1=\E[139q, kimr=\E[41,
  kn=^M, ko=^I, ktab=\E[Z, kri=\E[155q,
  cub=\E[%p1%dD, cuf=\E[%p1%dC, indn=\E[%p1dS, rin=\E[%p1dT,
  ri=\E[T, cuu=\E[%p1dA,
  box1=332\304\277\263\331\300\302\264\301\303\305,
  box2=311\315\273\272\274\310\313\271\312\314\316,
  batt2=md,
  colf0=\E[30m, colf1=\E[31m, colf2=\E[32m, colf3=\E[33m,
  colf4=\E[34m, colf5=\E[35m, colf6=\E[36m, colf7=\E[37m,
  colb0=\E[40m, colb1=\E[41m, colb2=\E[42m, colb3=\E[43m,
  colb4=\E[44m, colb5=\E[45m, colb6=\E[46m, colb7=\E[47m,
```

The following **terminfo** entry describes a terminal:

```
ibm3161|ibm3163|wy60-316X|wyse60-316X|IBM 3161/3163 display,
  am, mir, cr=^M, ind=^J,
  cols#80, it#8, lines#24,
  kich1=\EP\040\010,
  ed=\EJ, el=\EI, cup=\EY%p1%' '%+;%c%p2%'
  '%+;%c,
  clear=\EH\EJ, dch1=\EQ, dl1=\E0, cud1=\EB,
  cub1=\ED, blink=\E4D, bold=\E4H,
  sgr0=\E4@\E<@,
  invis=\E4P, rev=\E4A, cuf1=\EC,
  rmso=\E4@,
  smso=\E4A, rmul=\E4@, cuu1=\EA,
  smul=\E4B,
  sgr=\E4%'@'%%?%p1%t%'A'%'%;
  %%?%p2%t%'B'%'%;
  %%?%p3%t%'A'%'%;
  %%?%p4%t%'D'%'%;
  %%?%p5%t%'@'%'%;
  %%?%p6%t%'H'%'%;
  %%?%p7%t%'P'%'%;%c
  %%?%p9%t'\E>A%e\E<@%;
  box1=\354\361\353\370\352\355\367\365\366\364\356,
  box2=\354\361\353\370\352\355\367\365\366\364\356,
  batt2=md,
  ktbc=\E\0401, kil1=\EN, kbs=^H,
  kclr=\EL^M,
  kcud1=\EB, kdch1=\EQ, kel=\EI,
  khome=\EH,
  kcub1=\ED, kd1=\E0, ktab=^I, kcbt=\E2,
  kcu1=\EC, ked=\EJ, kctab=\E1, khts=\E0,
  kcuu1=\EA, knl=\r, kact=\E8\r,
  kf1=\Ea\r, kf2=\Eb\r, kf3=\Ec\r,
  kf4=\Ed\r,
  kf5=\Ee\r, kf6=\Ef\r, kf7=\Eg\r,
  kf8=\Eh\r,
  kf9=\Ei\r, kf10=\Ej\r, kf11=\Ek\r,
  kf12=\El\r,
  kf13=\E!a\r, kf14=\E!b\r, kf15=\E!c\r,
  kf16=\E!d\r,
  kf17=\E!e\r, kf18=\E!f\r, kf19=\E!g\r,
  kf20=\E!h\r,
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kf21=\E!i\r,    kf22=\E!j\r,    kf23=\E!k\r,
kf24=\E!l\r,
smcup=\E>A,      rmcup=\E>A,      msg\r,
home=\EH,        bel=^G, mc5=^P^R, mc4=^P^T,

```

Files

Item	Description
/usr/share/lib/terminfo/?/*	Compiled terminal capability database.

Related reference

[vgrindefs File Format](#)

Related information

[captainfo command](#)

[infocmp command](#)

[tic command](#)

[Curses Overview for Programming](#)

.tiprc File Format for tip

Purpose

Provides initial settings of variables for the **tip** command.

Description

The **.tiprc** file allows you to initialize variable settings for the **tip** command. When first invoked the **tip** command searches the user's home directory (defined by the **\$HOME** environment variable) for a **.tiprc** file. If the file is present, the **tip** command sets the **tip** variables according to instructions in the **.tiprc** file.

The **tip** command uses several different types of variables: numeric, string, character, or Boolean. A Boolean variable can be toggled by putting the variable name in the **.tiprc** file, or it can be reset by putting an ! (exclamation point) in front of the variable name. Other types of variables are set by following the variable name with an = (equal sign) and the new value of the variable.

You can use the **-v** flag of the **tip** command to see the variable settings as they are made. Also, you can use the **~s** escape signal to change variables while the **tip** command is running.

Examples

Following is a sample **.tiprc** file:

```

be
ba=9600
!echocheck

```

This file toggles the **beautify** (be) variable, sets the **baudrate** (ba) variable to 9600, and resets the **echocheck** variable to the default setting.

Files

Item	Description
\$HOME/.tiprc	Specifies the complete path name of the .tiprc file.

Related information

[tip command](#)

trcfmt File Format

Purpose

Stores trace templates.

Description

The **trcrpt** command, which formats trace reports, uses trace templates to determine how the data contained in trace entries should be formatted. All trace templates are stored in the master template file, **/etc/trcfmt**. Trace templates identify the trace hook ID, the version and release number, the indentation level, the event label, and data description fields. The data description fields contain formatting information for the trace entry data and can be repeated as many times as is necessary to format all of the trace data in the trace entry.

Modifying this File

The **trcfmt** file should only be modified using the **trcupdate** command. Trace hooks with values less than 010 are for internal use by the trace facilities. If these hooks are changed, the performance of trace, in particular **trcrpt**, is unpredictable.

Trace Entries

The data that is recorded for each traced event consists of the following elements in the following order:

- A hook word containing a trace hook identifier and the hook type or size.
- A variable number of words of trace data.
- A timestamp.

The organization of the hook word depends on whether the application that produces the hook word is a 32-bit application or a 64-bit application.

32-bit trace hook words:

Item	Description
<i>HookWord</i>	The first two bytes of a <i>HookWord</i> contain the <i>HookID</i> and <i>HookType</i> . The contents of the second two bytes depends on the value of the <i>HookType</i> .
<i>HookID</i>	The <i>HookID</i> is represented in the trace entry as 3 hexadecimal digits. For user programs, the hook id may be a value ranging from 0x010 to 0xFF. <i>HookIDs</i> are defined in the /usr/include/sys/trchkid.h file.

Item	Description
<i>HookType</i>	<p>The <i>HookType</i> is a 4-bit value that identifies the format of the remainder of the trace entry. You specify the <i>HookType</i> when you record the trace entry.</p> <p>Value</p> <p>Trace Entry Format</p> <p>1</p> <p>The trace entry consists of only the <i>HookWord</i>. The third and fourth bytes of the <i>HookWord</i> contain trace data. Trace entries of this type are recorded using the trchook or utrchook subroutine.</p> <p>2</p> <p>The trace entry consists of the <i>HookWord</i> and one additional word of trace data. The third and fourth bytes of the <i>HookWord</i> contain trace data. Trace entries of this type are recorded using the trchook or utrchook subroutine.</p> <p>6</p> <p>The trace entry consists of the <i>HookWord</i> and up to five additional words of trace data. The third and fourth bytes of the <i>HookWord</i> contain trace data. Trace entries of this type are recorded using the trchook or utrchook subroutine.</p> <p>8</p> <p>The trace entry consists of the <i>HookWord</i> and a data word followed by a variable number of bytes of trace data and a timestamp. The third and fourth bytes of the <i>HookWord</i> contain the number of bytes of trace data which follows the trace word. Trace entries of this type are recorded using the trcgent subroutine or the trcgenkt kernel service.</p> <p>9</p> <p>The trace entry consists of the <i>HookWord</i> and a timestamp. The third and fourth bytes of the <i>HookWord</i> contain trace data. Trace entries of this type are recorded using the trchook or utrchook subroutine.</p> <p>A</p> <p>The trace entry consists of the <i>HookWord</i>, one additional word of trace data, and a timestamp. The third and fourth bytes of the <i>HookWord</i> contain trace data. Trace entries of this type are recorded using the trchook or utrchook subroutine.</p> <p>E</p> <p>The trace entry consists of the <i>HookWord</i>, up to five additional words of trace data, and a timestamp. The third and fourth bytes of the <i>HookWord</i> contain trace data. Trace entries of this type are recorded using the trchook or utrchook subroutine.</p> <p>0</p> <p>The trace entry consists of the <i>HookWord</i> and a data word followed by a variable number of bytes of trace data. The third and fourth bytes of the <i>HookWord</i> contain the number of bytes of trace data which follows the trace word. Trace entries of this type are recorded using the trcgen subroutine or the trcgenk kernel service.</p>

64-bit trace hook words:

Item	Description
<i>HookWord</i>	<p>The first two bytes of a <i>HookWord</i> contain internal trace meta-data. The second two bytes contain the size of the trace entry minus the hook word and any internal data (such as timestamps or CPU ID). The third two bytes contain the hook ID that can use the full two bytes. A 12-bit hook ID valid in a 32-bit application of the form 0xhhh is equivalent to the 16-bit hook ID 0xhhh0 in a 64-bit application. The last two bytes represent the sub-hook ID.</p>

Item	Description
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<i>HookID</i>	The <i>HookID</i> is represented in the trace entry as three or four hexadecimal digits. Four-digit hook IDs are valid only in AIX 6.1 and later releases. For releases earlier than AIX 6.1, the hook ID can be a value ranging from 0x010 to 0xFFF. For user programs in AIX 6.1 and later releases, the hook ID can be a value ranging from 0x0100 to 0xFFFF. However, if the first hexadecimal digit is zero, the last digit must also be zero. For example, <i>HookID</i> 0AA0 is legal, but 0AAA is not. Many of the AIX system hook IDs are defined in the /usr/include/sys/trchkid.h file.
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Data Pointer

The DATA POINTER is a pointer to the current position in the trace entry. The DATA POINTER is changed by the **trcrpt** as it interprets the template and formats the trace entry. The initial position of the DATA POINTER is the third byte of the *HookWord* for *HookTypes* 1, 9, 2, A, 6, and E and the first byte after the *HookWord* for *HookTypes* 0 and 8.

Trace Data Formatting

Indentation Level

The formatted trace data is aligned in columns corresponding to the source of the trace event. This is identified in each template using the **L=X** descriptor. The possible values of the **L=X** command are as follows:

Item	Description
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L=APPL	Outputs the trace data in the APPL (application) column.
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L=SVC	Outputs the trace data in the SVC (system call) column.
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L=KERN	Outputs the trace data in the KERN (kernel) column.
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L=INT	Outputs the trace data in the INT (interrupt)column.
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Continuation Character

A \ (backslash) at the end of a line must be used to continue a template on the next line.

Labels or Text Strings

Individual strings (or labels) can be separated by any number of spaces or tabs, but all excess spacing is compressed to one blank on the trace report unless other format structures are put into effect. Labels are enclosed in double quotes (" ").

Item	Description
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\n	Outputs to a new line. Data on the new line is left-justified according to the value set in the INDENTATION LEVEL.
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\t	Inserts a tab. Tabs are expanded to spaces, using a fixed tabstop separation of 8.
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Format Codes

DATA POINTER Position Format Codes

Item	Description
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G <i>m.n</i>	Sets DATA POINTER to byte.bit location <i>m.n</i> .
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O <i>m.n</i>	Advances DATA POINTER by <i>m.n</i> byte.bits.
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R <i>m</i>	Decrements DATA POINTER by <i>m</i> bytes.
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Output Format Codes

Item	Description
<i>Bm.n</i>	Sends output in Binary format where <i>m</i> is the length of the data in bytes and <i>n</i> is the length in bits. Unlike the other printing format codes, the DATA POINTER can be bit aligned and is not rounded up to the next byte boundary.
D2, D4 , D8	Converts data to signed decimal format. The length of the data is two, four, or eight bytes, and the DATA POINTER is advanced by the same number of bytes.
F4	Converts data to C type 'float' floating point format. The length of the data is 4 bytes, and the DATA POINTER is advanced by 4 bytes.
F8	Converts data to C type 'double' floating point format. The length of the data is 8 bytes, and the DATA POINTER is advanced by 8 bytes.
S1, S2, S4	Left-justifies ASCII strings. The length of the string is in the first byte (half-word, word) of the data. The length of the string does not include this byte.
T4	Outputs the next 4 bytes as a date and time string.
U2, U4 , U8	Converts data to unsigned decimal format. The length of the data is two, four, or eight bytes, and the DATA POINTER is advanced by the same number of bytes.
X <i>m</i>	Converts data to hexadecimal format. The DATA POINTER is advanced by <i>m</i> bytes.

Interpreter Format Codes

Item	Description
E1, E2, E4	Outputs the next byte (half_word, word) as an 'errno' value, replacing the numeric code with the corresponding #define name in the /usr/include/sys/errno.h file. The DATA POINTER is advanced by 1, 2, or 4 bytes.
P4	Uses the next word as a process ID, and outputs the pathname of the executable with that process ID. Process IDs and their pathnames are acquired by the trace command at the start of a trace and by the trcrpt command via a special EXEC tracehook. The DATA POINTER is advanced by 4 bytes.

Switch Statements

A SWITCH statement is a format code followed by a comma. Each CASE entry of the SWITCH statement consists of:

1. A '*MatchValue*' with a type (usually numeric) corresponding to the format code.
2. A simple '*String*' or a new '*Descriptor*' bounded by braces. A descriptor is a sequence of format codes, strings, switches, and loops.
3. A comma delimiter.

The switch is terminated by a CASE entry without a comma delimiter. The CASE entry is selected as the first entry whose *MatchValue* is equal to the expansion of the format code. The special matchvalue '*' is a wildcard and matches anything.

The DATA POINTER is advanced by the format code.

LOOP Statements

Loops are used to output binary buffers of data; therefore, the descriptor for a LOOP is usually X0 or X1. The syntax of a loop is LOOP format_code {descriptor}. The descriptor is executed *N* times, where *N* is the numeric value of the format code.

The DATA POINTER is advanced by the format code and by the operations of the descriptor.

Macros

Macros are temporary variables that work like shell variables. They are assigned a value with the syntax:

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{ { $xxx = EXPR } }
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where EXPR is a combination of format codes, macros, and constants. The operators + (addition), - (subtraction), / (division), and * (multiplication). are permissible within macros.

Predefined Macros

Macro Name	Description														
\$BASEPOINTER	Marks the starting offset into an event. The default is 0, but the actual offset is the sum of the values of DATA POINTER and BASE_POINTER. It is used with template subroutines when the parts of an event have same structure and can be printed by same template but may have different starting points into an event.														
\$BREAK	Ends the current trace event.														
\$D1 - \$D5	Dataword 1 through dataword 5. The DATA POINTER is not moved.														
\$DATAPOINTER	Activates the DATA POINTER. It can be set and manipulated like other user macros.														
\$DEFAULT	Uses the DEFAULT template 008.														
\$ERROR	Outputs an error message to the report and exit from the template after the current descriptor is processed. The error message supplies the logfile, the logfile offset of the start of that event, and the trace ID.														
\$EXECPATH	Outputs the pathname of the executable for the current process.														
\$HB	Number of bytes in trcgen subroutine variable length buffer. This is also equal to the 16-bit hook data.														
\$HD	Hook data (lower 16 bits).														
\$HT	Allows for multiple, different trchhook subroutine call with the same template. The return values of the \$HT macro are: <table><tr><th>Value</th><th>Description</th></tr><tr><td>1</td><td>hook word</td></tr><tr><td>2</td><td>hook word and one additional word</td></tr><tr><td>6</td><td>hook word and up to five data words</td></tr><tr><td>9</td><td>hook word and a timestamp</td></tr><tr><td>A</td><td>hook word, one data word, and a timestamp</td></tr><tr><td>E</td><td>hook word, up to five data words, and a timestamp.</td></tr></table> <p>The DATA POINTER is not changed.</p>	Value	Description	1	hook word	2	hook word and one additional word	6	hook word and up to five data words	9	hook word and a timestamp	A	hook word, one data word, and a timestamp	E	hook word, up to five data words, and a timestamp.
Value	Description														
1	hook word														
2	hook word and one additional word														
6	hook word and up to five data words														
9	hook word and a timestamp														
A	hook word, one data word, and a timestamp														
E	hook word, up to five data words, and a timestamp.														
\$L1-\$L2	Long (64-bit) dataword 1, or 2. For example, \$L1 is the concatenation of \$d1 and \$d2 . The 64-bit values would most likely have been traced with the TRCHK64L1 or TRCHK64L2 macros. No change to data pointer.														
\$LOGIDO	Current logfile offset at the start of the event.														
\$LOGIDX	Current logfile offset into this event.														

Macro Name	Description
\$LOGFILE	Returns the name of the logfile being processed.
\$MCR0, \$MCR1, \$MCRA	Machine MCR registers 0, 1, and A.
\$PID	Outputs the current process ID.
\$PMC1 - \$PMC8	Machine PMC registers 1 through 8.
\$PURR	Machine PURR register.
\$RELLINENO	Line number for this event. The first line starts at 1.
\$SKIP	Ends the current trace event without printing.
\$STOP	Immediately ends a trace report.
\$SVC	Outputs the name of the current system call.
\$TID	Outputs the current kernel thread ID.
\$TRACEID	Returns the trace ID of the current event.

Built-in Macros

The built-in macros are:

Item	Description
buftofilename (bp)	Looks up filename by buf struct.
fdinstall ()	Installs the file descriptor and the current v-node from lookupp as a file_descriptor/v-node pair for this process ID.
fdtofilename ()	Looks up the filename for the given file descriptor for this process ID. If the filename is not found, nothing is output.
flih ()	Advances the Interrupt Depth.
lookuppinstall1	Installs the filename as the current file with the trcrpt command.
lookuppinstall2	Install the v-node as the current v-node. It also installs the current_v-node/current_file as a v-node/ filename par.
pfsrdwinstall1 (vp)	Sets the current v-node of this process to vp.
pfsrdwinstall2 (VA.S, count)	Creates a virtual address/v-node structure to be filled in be VMM hooks if a page fault occurs.
resume ()	Decrements the Interrupt Depth.
setdelim ()	Inhibits spaces between characters.
slihlookup ()	Looks up the second level interrupt handler.
sidtofilename (sid)	Looks up filename by segment ID.
vmbufinstall ()	Looks up the v-node of the file through the virtual page/sid and install the v-node and buf as a v-node/bp pair. This will be used by lvm on down.
v-nodetofilename (vp)	Looks up filenames by v-node.
vpagetofilename (vpage, sid)	Looks up filenames by vpage and segment ID.

Files

Item	Description
<code>/etc/trcfmt</code>	Stores trace templates.
<code>/usr/include/sys/trchkid.h</code>	Defines hook identifiers.
<code>/usr/include/sys/trcmacros.h</code>	Defines trace macros.

Related information

[trcupdate command](#)

[trcgen subroutine](#)

[trchhook subroutine](#)

troff File Format

Purpose

Describes the output language from the **troff** command.

Description

The device-independent **troff** file format outputs a pure ASCII description of a typeset document. The description specifies the typesetting device, the fonts, and the point sizes of characters to be used, as well as the position of each character on the page.

A list of all the legal commands follows. Most numbers are denoted by the *Number* variable and are ASCII strings. Strings inside **[]** (brackets) are optional. The **troff** command can produce them, but they are not required for the specification of the language. The **\n** command character has the standard meaning of new-line character. Between commands, white space has no meaning. White-space characters are spaces and new lines.

The following are the legal commands:

Item	Description
s <i>Number</i>	Specifies the point size of the characters to be generated.
f <i>Number</i>	Indicates the font is to be mounted in the position specified by the <i>Number</i> variable value, which ranges from 0 (zero) to the highest font currently mounted. The 0 (zero) value is a special position, called by the troff command, but not directly accessible by the user. Fonts are normally mounted starting at position 1 (one).
c <i>Character</i>	Generates the specified character at the current location on the page; the value specified by the <i>Character</i> variable is a single-byte character.
C <i>XYZ</i>	Generates the <i>XYZ</i> special character whose name is delimited by white space. The name is one of the special characters legal for the typesetting device as specified in the DESC file. This file resides in a directory specific to the typesetting device. For instruction, see troff Font File Format and the <code>/usr/lib/font/dev</code> directory.
H <i>Number</i>	Changes the horizontal position on the page to the number specified. The number is in basic units of motions as specified by the DESC file. This is an absolute goto statement.
h <i>Number</i>	Adds the number specified to the current horizontal position. This is a relative goto statement.

Item	Description
V <i>Number</i>	Changes the vertical position on the page to the number specified (down is positive).
v <i>Number</i>	Adds the number specified to the current vertical position.
NumberCharacter	This is a two-digit number followed by an single-byte character. The meaning is a combination of the h <i>Number</i> command followed by the c <i>Character</i> command. The specified number is added to the current horizontal position and then the single-byte character, specified by the <i>Character</i> variable, is produced. This is the most common form of character specification.
n <i>B A</i>	Indicates that the end of a line has been reached. No action is required, though by convention the horizontal position is set to 0 (zero). The troff command specifies a resetting of the x,y coordinates on the page before printing more characters. The first number, <i>B</i> , is the amount of space before the line and the second number, <i>A</i> , the amount of space after the line. The second number is delimited by white space.
w	A w command appears between words of the input document. No action is required. It is included so that one device can be emulated more easily on another device.
p <i>Number</i>	Begins a new page. The new page number is included in this command. The vertical position on the page should be set to 0 (zero).
#... \n	Initiates a comment line with the # (pound sign).
D <i>l X Y</i>	Draws a line from the current position to that specified by the <i>X,Y</i> variables.
D <i>c D \n</i>	Draws a circle of the diameter specified by the <i>D</i> variable with the leftmost edge being at the current location (<i>X,Y</i>). The current location after drawing the circle is <i>X+D,Y</i> , the rightmost edge of the circle.
D <i>eDX DY \n</i>	Draws an ellipse with the specified axes. The <i>DX</i> variable is the axis in the <i>X</i> direction and the <i>DY</i> variable is the axis in the <i>Y</i> direction. The leftmost edge of the ellipse is at the current location. After drawing the ellipse, the current location is <i>X+DX,Y</i> .
D <i>a DH1 DV1 DH2 DV2 \n</i>	Draws a counterclockwise arc from the current position to the <i>DH1I +DH2, DV1+DV2</i> variable that has a center of <i>DH1, DV1</i> from the current position. The current location after drawing the arc is at its end.
D ~ <i>X Y X Y ... \n</i>	Draws a spline curve (wiggly line) between each of the <i>X,Y</i> coordinate pairs starting at the current location. The final location is the final <i>X,Y</i> pair of the list.
x P[aper] <i>PaperSize W L \n</i>	Specifies the name of the paper size to be printed. Valid paper sizes are Letter, Legal, A4, B5, Executive, and A5, where <i>W</i> and <i>L</i> are the paper width and length in machine units.
x i[nit] \n	Initializes the typesetting device. The actions required are dependent on the device. An initializing command always occurs before any output generation is attempted.
x T <i>Device \n</i>	Specifies the name of the typesetter with the <i>Device</i> variable. This is the same as the variable to the -T flag. Information about the typesetter is found in the /usr/lib/font/dev <i>Device</i> directory.

Item	Description
x r[es] <i>N H V</i> \n	Specifies the resolution of the typesetting device in increments per inch with the <i>N</i> variable. The <i>H</i> variable specifies units of basic increments that horizontal motion will take place. The <i>V</i> variable indicates the units of basic increments for vertical motion.
x p[ause] \n	Pauses the process by causing the current page to finish but does not relinquish the typesetter.
x s[top] \n	Stops the process by causing the current page to finish and then relinquishes the typesetter. Performs any shutdown and bookkeeping procedures required.
x t[railer] \n	Generates a trailer. On some devices, no operation is performed.
x f[ont] <i>N Font</i> \n	Loads the specified font into position <i>N</i> .
x H[eight] <i>N</i> \n	Sets the character height to <i>N</i> points. This causes the letters to be elongated or shortened. It does not affect the width of a letter. Not all typesetters can do this.
x S[lant] <i>N</i> \n	Sets the slant to <i>N</i> degrees. Only some typesetters can do this and not all angles are supported.
x c[codeset] CS \n	Switch to codeset CS . For example:
	<pre>x codeset ISO8859-1</pre>

The following commands are effective on multi-byte characters.

Item	Description
QC1C2	Outputs the character specified by the 2 bytes specified by the <i>C1</i> and <i>C2</i> variables. The high-order bits can be set in these bytes.
RC1C2C3	Outputs the character specified by the three bytes of the <i>C1</i> , <i>C2</i> , and <i>C3</i> parameters. The high-order bits can be set in these bytes.
SC1C2C3C4	Outputs the character specified by the four bytes of the <i>C1</i> , <i>C2</i> , <i>C3</i> , and <i>C4</i> parameters. The high-order bits can be set in these bytes.

Files

Item	Description
/usr/lib/font/dev <i>Device</i>	Contains the DESC file and phototypesetter-specific files.

Related reference

[troff Font File Format](#)

Related information

[International character support in text formatting](#)

[troff command](#)

troff Font File Format

Purpose

Specifies description files for the **troff** command.

Description

For each phototypesetter that the **troff** command supports and that is available on your system, there is a directory that contains files describing the phototypesetter and its fonts. This directory is named **/usr/lib/font/devName**, where the *Name* variable specifies the name of the phototypesetter.

The ASCII **DESC** file in the **/usr/lib/font/devName** directory within the **troff** command source directory describes the characteristics of the phototypesetter specified by the *Name* variable. A binary version of this file is found in the **/usr/lib/font/devName/DESC.out** file. Each line of this ASCII file starts with a word that identifies a characteristic, followed by appropriate specifiers. Blank lines and lines beginning with the # (pound sign) are ignored.

For many typesetters, downloaded fonts are supported in a general fashion. The bitmaps for these fonts are stored in the **/usr/lib/font/devName/bitmaps** directory. Each font size pair is stored in a file with a name of the form *Fontname-Size.pk*. For example:

```
B-24.pk
```

These bitmaps are stored in the PK packed-font format used by TeX and its post-processors. These bitmaps are easily generated from readily available programs, such as METAFONT, or easily converted from other forms.

In addition to the bitmap files, a **troff** font file, as described here, is required for each font typeface. In the unitwidth field of this file, the width of each character bitmap in device units is given.

The legal lines for the **DESC** file are:

Item	Description
res <i>Number</i>	Resolution of device in basic increments per inch.
unitwidth <i>Number</i>	Point size in which all width tables in the font description files are given. The troff command automatically scales the widths from the unitwidth size to the point size with which it is working.
sizescale <i>Number</i>	Scaling for fractional point sizes. The value of the <i>Number</i> variable is 1. The sizescale line is not currently used.
paperwidth <i>Number</i>	Width of paper in basic increments.
paperlength <i>Number</i>	Length of paper in basic increments.
biggestfont <i>Number</i>	Maximum number of characters in a font.
sizes <i>Number1 Number2...</i>	List of point sizes available on typesetter, ended by 0.
fonts <i>NumberName...</i>	Number of initial fonts, followed by the ASCII names of the fonts. For example:
<pre>fonts 4 R I B S</pre>	

Item	Description
codeset <i>codesetName</i>	Code set for the particular printer or typesetter, where <i>CodesetName</i> is a valid code set name for use with the iconv command. The specified code set is used to define character entries in the charset section of font description files. For example: <pre>codeset IS08859-1</pre> <p>The troff command uses the specified <i>CodesetName</i> and the code set implied by the current locale to determine if code set conversions are necessary for the input characters. The iconv function is used to perform the code set conversion if necessary.</p>
charset	Last keyword in the file is on a line by itself. Following it is the list of special character names for this device. Names are separated by a space or a new line. The list can be as long as necessary. Names not in this list are not allowed in the font description files.
hor <i>Number</i>	Smallest unit of horizontal motion.
vert <i>Number</i>	Smallest unit of vertical motion. The hor and vert lines describe the relationships between motions in the horizontal and vertical directions. For example, if the device moves in single basic increments in both directions, both the hor and vert lines have values of 1. If vertical motion occurs only in multiples of two basic units and horizontal motion occurs only in one basic unit, vert is 2 and hor is 1.

For each font supported by the phototypesetter, there is also an ASCII file with the same name as the font (for instance, **R**, **I**, **CW**) that describes it. The format for a font description file is as follows:

Item	Description
name <i>Name</i>	Name of the font, such as R or CW .
internalname <i>Name</i>	Internal name of the font.
special	Sets the flag indicating that the font is special.
ligatures <i>Name...0</i>	Sets the flag indicating that the font has ligatures. The list of ligatures follows and is ended by a 0 (zero). Accepted ligatures are ff fi fl ffi ffl .
spacewidth <i>Number</i>	Specifies width of space if something other than the default (1/3 of an em space) is desired.

Item	Description
charset	<p>The character set must come at the end. Each line following the charset word describes one character in the font. Each line has one of two formats:</p> <pre>Name Width Kerning Code</pre> <p>OR</p> <pre>Name "</pre> <p>where the value of the Name field is either a single-byte character or a special character name from the list found in the DESC file. The Width field is in basic increments. The Kerning field is 1 if the character descends below the line, 2 if it rises above the letter 'a', and 3 if it both rises and descends. The Code field is the number sent to the typesetter to produce the character. For an nls font, the Code field can be a multi-byte sequence.</p> <p>For fonts of extended-character output devices, the Code field can be a multi-byte sequence that begins and ends with a double quotation mark. In the sequence, control or nonprinting characters can be represented by the following escape sequences:</p> <p>\n Produces a new line.</p> <p>\r Produces a return.</p> <p>\t Produces a tab.</p> <p>\b Produces a backspace.</p> <p>\ " Produces a double quote.</p> <p>\xdd Produces a hexadecimal number, where dd is two hexadecimal digits.</p> <p>\ooo Produces an octal number, where ooo is three octal digits.</p> <p>The second format, Name " , is used to show that the character has more than one name. The double quotation marks indicate that this name has the same values as the preceding line. The Kerning and Code fields are not used if the value of the Width field is a double quotation mark. The total number of different characters in this list should not be greater than the value of the biggestfont line in the DESC file.</p>

The **DESC.out** and *Font.out* files were created as a result of executing the **makedev** program on the **DESC** file.

Prototype characters are provided for the charset section of the font table for fonts in large-character sets. Most characters in large-character sets, such as the Japanese, Chinese, and Korean character sets, have the same width. These prototype characters specify the width of characters with varying byte lengths. The kerning and code fields are not available for prototype character entries. These entries apply to all characters not explicitly defined in the charset section. It is assumed that the printer or typesetter code for characters handled through prototype characters is the same as the input code for the character after conversion by the **iconv** function. The following are the prototype character definitions:

Item	Description	
X0	Width	Width of all characters that return a value of 0 for csid() .
X1	Width	Width of all 1-byte characters not defined elsewhere.

Item	Description	
X1	Width	Width of all characters that return a value of 1 for csid() .
X2	Width	Width of all 2-byte characters not defined elsewhere.
X_i	Width	Width of all characters that return a value of <i>i</i> for csid() .
X3	Width	Width of all 3-byte characters not defined elsewhere.
X4	Width	Width of all 4-byte characters not defined elsewhere.

For example, the following prototype character definitions apply to the Japanese character sets (both IBM-932 and IBM-eucJP):

```
X0 : alphanumeric characters
X1 : JIS level 1 and 2 Kanji characters in JISX0208.1990
X2 : Katakana characters
X3 : IBM selected characters
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Files

Item

/usr/lib/font/devName/DESC.out file

/usr/lib/font/devName/bitmaps directory

/usr/lib/font/devName/Font.out file

Description

Contains the description file for phototypesetter specified by the *Name* variable.

Contains bitmap files.

Contains the font description file for phototypesetter specified by the *Name* variable.

Related reference

[troff File Format](#)

Related information

[troff command](#)

tunables File Format

Purpose

Centralizes tunable parameter values.

Description

Tunables files contain one or more sections, called "stanzas". A stanza is started by a line containing the stanza name followed by a colon (:). There is no marking for the end of a stanza. It simply continues until another stanza starts. Each stanza contains a set of parameter/value pairs; one pair per line. The values are surrounded by double quotes ("), and an equal sign (=) separates the parameter name from its value. A parameter/value pair must necessarily belong to a stanza. It has no meaning outside of a stanza. Two parameters sharing the same name but belonging to different stanzas are considered to be different parameters. If a parameter appears several times in a stanza, only its first occurrence is used. Following occurrences are simply ignored. Similarly, if a stanza appears multiple times in the file, only the first occurrence is used. Everything following a number sign (#) is considered a comment and ignored. Heading and trailing blanks are also ignored.

A tunable file uses the following syntax:

```
# first stanza
stanza1:
    param1 = "value1"
    param2 = "value2"
    param2 = "value3" # ignored, since already defined

# another stanza
stanza2:
    param1 = "value4" # not the same parameter as param1 in stanza1

# the first stanza again
stanza1: # ignored since already defined
```

Tunables files currently support seven different stanzas: one for each of the tunable commands (**schedo**, **vmo**, **ioo**, **raso**, **no** and **nfso**), plus a special **info** stanza. The six stanzas, **schedo**, **vmo**, **ioo**, **raso**, **no** and **nfso** contain tunable parameters managed by the corresponding command. For the complete parameter lists, see the display resulting from running the corresponding command lines specifying the **-a** or **-L** option.

The value of the tunable can be either a numerical value or the following literal words:

DEFAULT

This tunable's default value.

STATIC

A Static variable that is never restored.

RESTRICTED

The value for restricted tunables that have been modified so that the value is not the default value.

It is possible that a stanza contains values for non-existent parameters (in the case a tunable file was copied from a machine running an older version of AIX and one or more tunables do not exist anymore). Both the **tunrestore** and the **tuncheck** commands will print warnings about such parameters.

The **info** stanza is used to store information about the purpose of the tunable file and the level of AIX on which it was validated. Any parameter is acceptable in this stanza, however, some fields have a special meaning:

Item	Description
Description	A character string describing the tunable file. SMIT displays this field in the file selection box.
AIX_level	AIX version. This field is automatically updated by tunsave and tuncheck (on success only).
Kernel_type:	MP64 " this is a 64 bits multiprocessor kernel. This field is automatically updated by tunsave and tuncheck (on success only).
Last_validation	The date this file was validated for the last time, and the type of validation: "current" the file has been validated against the current context. "reboot" the file has been validated against the nextboot context. This field is automatically updated by tunsave and tuncheck (on success only).
Logfile_checksum	The checksum of the lastboot.log file matching this tunables file. This field is present only in the lastboot file.

Other stanzas like **info**, **schedo**, **vmo**, **ioo**, **raso**, **no** and **nfso** may be present. These stanzas are simply ignored by the **tunrestore** command, but flagged by the **tuncheck** command.

Three files under **/etc/tunables** have special names and meaning:

Item	Description
nextboot	This file is automatically applied at boot time. The bosboot command also get the value of Bosboot types tunables from this file. It contains all tunable settings made permanent.

Item	Description
lastboot	This file is automatically generated at boot time. It contains the full set of tunable parameters, with their values after the last boot. Default values are marked with # DEFAULT VALUE . Restricted tunables that have been modified are marked with # RESTRICTED not at default value .
lastboot.log	This should be the only file in /etc/tunables that is not in the stanza format described here. It is automatically generated at boot time, and contains the logging of the creation of the lastboot file, i.e. any parameter change made is logged. Any change which could not be made (possible if the nextboot file was created manually and not validated with tuncheck) is also logged.

Examples

The following is a sample **tunables** file:

```
info:
  Description = "Set of tunables for departmental server"
  AIX_level = "5.2.0.0"
  Kernel_type = "UP"
  Last_validation = "2002-06-16 12:11:11 CDT current"

schedo:
  timeslice = "2" # set timeslice to 30ms
  sched_D = "DEFAULT" # value was 123

vmo:
  minperm = "48538"
  memory_frames = "65536" # STATIC (never restored)

ioo:
  iotunable = "value"

no:
  ipforwarding = "1"
  ipsrouteforward = "1"
  thewall = "STATIC" # value was 131072 (never restored)

nfso:
  nfs_allow_all_signals = "0" # DEFAULT VALUE
  nfs_device_specific_bufs = "0"

raso:
  recovery_framework = "0"      # RESTRICTED not at default value
  recovery_debugger = "0"      # DEFAULT VALUE
```

Files

All the tunable files are located in the **/etc/tunables** directory.

Item	Description
/etc/tunables/nextboot	Contains the values to be applied at the next rebooting of the machine.
/etc/tunables/lastboot	Contains the values for all tuning parameters after the last rebooting of the machine.
/etc/tunables/lastboot.log	Contains logging information about changes made and errors encountered during the last rebooting of the machine.

Related information

[schedo command](#)

[ioo command](#)

[tunchange command](#)

uconvdef Source File Format

Purpose

Defines UCS-2 (Unicode) conversion mappings for input to the **uconvdef** command.

Description

Conversion mapping values are defined using UCS-2 symbolic character names followed by character encoding (code point) values for the multibyte code set. For example,

```
<U0020>    \x20
```

represents the mapping between the <U0020> UCS-2 symbolic character name for the space character and the \x20 hexadecimal code point for the space character in ASCII.

In addition to the code set mappings, directives are interpreted by the **uconvdef** command to produce the compiled table. These directives must precede the code set mapping section. They consist of the following keywords surrounded by < > (angle brackets), starting in column 1, followed by white space and the value to be assigned to the symbol:

Item	Description
<code_set_name>	The name of the coded character set, enclosed in quotation marks (" "), for which the character set description file is defined.
<mb_cur_max>	The maximum number of bytes in a multibyte character. The default value is 1.
<mb_cur_min>	An unsigned positive integer value that defines the minimum number of bytes in a character for the encoded character set. The value is less than or equal to <mb_cur_max>. If not specified, the minimum number is equal to <mb_cur_max>.
<escape_char>	The escape character used to indicate that the character following is interpreted in a special way. This defaults to a backslash (\).
<comment_char>	The character that, when placed in column 1 of a charmap line, is used to indicate that the line is ignored. The default character is the number sign (#).
<char_name_mask>	A quoted string consisting of format specifiers for the UCS-2 symbolic names. This must be a value of AXXXX, indicating an alphabetic character followed by 4 hexadecimal digits. Also, the alphabetic character must be a U, and the hexadecimal digits must represent the UCS-2 code point for the character. An example of a symbolic character name based on this mask is <U0020> Unicode space character.

Item	Description
<uconv_class>	<p>Specifies the type of the code set. It must be one of the following:</p> <p>SBCS Single-byte encoding</p> <p>DBCS Stateless double-byte, single-byte, or mixed encodings</p> <p>EBCDIC_STATEFUL Stateful double-byte, single-byte, or mixed encodings</p> <p>MBCS Stateless multibyte encoding</p> <p>This type is used to direct uconvdef on what type of table to build. It is also stored in the table to indicate the type of processing algorithm in the UCS conversion methods.</p>
<locale>	Specifies the default locale name to be used if locale information is needed.
<subchar>	Specifies the encoding of the default substitute character in the multibyte code set.

The mapping definition section consists of a sequence of mapping definition lines preceded by a **CHARMAP** declaration and terminated by an **END CHARMAP** declaration. Empty lines and lines containing **<comment_char>** in the first column are ignored.

Symbolic character names in mapping lines must follow the pattern specified in the **<char_name_mask>**, except for the reserved symbolic name, **<unassigned>**, that indicates the associated code points are unassigned.

Each noncomment line of the character set mapping definition must be in one of the following formats:

1. "%s %s %s/n", <symbolic-name>, <encoding>, <comments>

For example:

```
<U3004>      \x81\x57
```

This format defines a single symbolic character name and a corresponding encoding.

The encoding part is expressed as one or more concatenated decimal, hexadecimal, or octal constants in the following formats:

- "%cd%d", <escape_char>, <decimal byte value>
- "%cx%x", <escape_char> , <hexadecimal byte value>
- "%co", <escape_char>, <octal byte value>

Decimal constants are represented by two or more decimal digits preceded by the escape character and the lowercase letter **d**, as in \d97 or \d143. Hexadecimal constants are represented by two or more hexadecimal digits preceded by an escape character and the lowercase letter **x**, as in \x61 or \x8f. Octal constants are represented by two or more octal digits preceded by an escape character.

Each constant represents a single-byte value. When constants are concatenated for multibyte character values, the last value specifies the least significant octet and preceding constants specify successively more significant octets.

2. "%s. . .%s %s %s/n", <symbolic-name>, <symbolic-name>, <encoding>, <comments>

For example:

```
<U3003>...<U3006>  \x81\x56
```

This format defines a range of symbolic character names and corresponding encodings. The range is interpreted as a series of symbolic names formed from the alphabetic prefix and all the values in the range defined by the numeric suffixes.

The listed encoding value is assigned to the first symbolic name, and subsequent symbolic names in the range are assigned corresponding incremental values. For example, the line:

```
<U3003>...<U3006> \x81\x56
```

is interpreted as:

```
<U3003> \x81\x56
<U3004> \x81\x57
<U3005> \x81\x58
<U3006> \x81\x59
```

3. "<unassigned> %s. . %s %s/n", <encoding>, <encoding>, <comments>

This format defines a range of one or more unassigned encodings. For example, the line:

```
<unassigned> \x9b...\x9c
```

is interpreted as:

```
<unassigned> \x9b
<unassigned> \x9c
```

Related information

[uconvdef command](#)

[Code Set Overview](#)

UIL File Format

Purpose

Contains information on the user interface for a widget-based application.

Description

User Interface Language (UIL) is used to describe the initial state of a user interface for a widget-based application. UIL describes the widgets used in the interface, the resources of those widgets, and the callbacks of those widgets. A UIL file is compiled into a user interface definition (UID) file using the **uil** command or the **Uil** callable compiler function. The contents of the compiled UID file can then be accessed by the various Motif Resource Manager (MRM) functions from within an application program.

The syntax for the UIL is as follows:

```
MODULE ModuleName [ NAMES = CASE_INSENSITIVE | CASE_SENSITIVE ] [ CHARACTER_SET =  
CharacterSet ] [ OBJECTS = { WidgetName = GADGET | WIDGET; [...] } { [ ValueSection ] |  
[ ProcedureSection ] | [ ListSection ] | [ ObjectSection ] | [ IdentifierSection ] | [ ... ] } END MODULE;
```

File Format

UIL is a free-form language. This means that high-level constructs, such as object and value declarations, do not need to begin in any particular column and can span any number of lines. Low-level constructs, such as keywords and punctuation characters, can also begin in any column; however, except for string literals and comments, they cannot span lines.

The UIL compiler accepts input lines up to 132 characters in length.

Item	Description
MODULE <i>ModuleName</i>	The name by which the UIL module is known in the UID file. This name is stored in the UID file for later use in the retrieval of resources by the MRM. This module name is always uppercase.
NAMES = CASE_INSENSITIVE CASE_SENSITIVE	Indicates whether names should be treated as case-sensitive or case-insensitive. The default is case-sensitive. The case-sensitivity clause should be the first clause in the module header and must precede any statement that contains a name. If names are case-sensitive in a UIL module, UIL keywords in that module must be in lowercase. Each name is stored in the UIL file in the same case as it appears in the UIL module. If names are case-insensitive, keywords can be in uppercase, lowercase, or mixed case, and the uppercase equivalent of each name is stored in the UID file.
CHARACTER_SET = <i>CharacterSet</i>	Specifies the default character set for string literals in the module that do not explicitly set their character set. In the absence of this clause, the default character set is the codeset component of the LANG environment variable, or the value of XmFALLBACK_CHARSET if LANG is not set or has no codeset component. The value of XmFALLBACK_CHARSET is defined by the UIL supplier, but is usually ISO8859-1 (equivalent to ISO_LATIN1). Use of this clause turns off all localized string literal processing turned on by either the -s compiler flag or the Uil_command_type data structure element use_setlocale_flag .
OBJECTS = { <i>WidgetName</i> = GADGET WIDGET;	Indicates whether the widget or gadget form of the control specified by <i>WidgetName</i> variable is used by default. The widget form is used by default. The specified control should be one that has both a widget and gadget version, for example: XmCascadeButton , XmLabel , XmPushButton , XmSeparator , and XmToggleButton . The form of more than one control can be specified by delimiting them with ; (semicolons). The gadget or widget form of an instance of a control can be specified with the GADGET and WIDGET keywords in a particular object declaration.
<i>ValueSection</i>	Provides a way to name a value expression or literal. The value name can then be referred to by declarations that occur elsewhere in the UIL module in any context where a value can be used. Values can be forward-referenced. See " Value Sections " for more detail.
<i>ProcedureSection</i>	Defines the callback functions used by a widget and the creation functions for user-defined widgets. These definitions are used for error checking. See " Procedure Sections " for more detail.

Item	Description
<i>ListSection</i>	Provides a way to group together a set of arguments, controls (children), callbacks, or procedures for later use in the UIL module. Lists can contain other lists so you can set up a hierarchy to clearly show which arguments, controls, callbacks, and procedures are common to which widgets. See " List Sections " for more detail.
<i>ObjectSection</i>	Defines the objects that make up the user interface of the application. You can reference the object names in declarations that occur elsewhere in the UIL module in any context where an object name can be used (for example, in a controls list, as a symbolic reference to a widget ID, or as the <i>TagValue</i> argument for a callback procedure). Objects can be forward-referenced. See " Object Sections " for more detail.
<i>IdentifierSection</i>	Defines a run-time binding of data to names that appear in the UIL module. See " Identifier Sections " for more detail.

The UIL file can also contain comments and include directives. These, as well as the main elements of the **UIL** file format, are described in the following sections.

Comments

Comments can take one of two forms, neither of which can be nested:

- The comment is introduced with the */** sequence followed by the text of the comment and terminated with the **/* sequence. This form of comment can span multiple source lines.
- The comment is introduced with an *!* (exclamation point) followed by the text of the comment and terminated by the end of the source line.

Value Sections

A value section consists of the **VALUE** keyword followed by a sequence of value declarations. It has the following syntax:

VALUE *ValueName* : [**EXPORTED** | **PRIVATE**] *ValueExpression* | **IMPORTED** *ValueType* ;

ValueExpression is assigned to *ValueName*, or a *ValueType* is assigned to an imported value name. A value declaration provides a way to name a value expression or literal. The value name can be referred to by declarations that occur later in the UIL module in any context where a value can be used. Values can be forward-referenced.

Item	Description
EXPORTED	A value that you define as exported is stored in the UID file as a named resource and can be referenced by name in other UID files. When you define a value as exported, MRM looks outside the module in which the exported value is declared to get its value at run time.
PRIVATE	A private value is a value that is not imported or exported. A value that you define as private is not stored as a distinct resource in the UID file. You can reference a private value only in the UIL module containing the value declaration. The value or object is directly incorporated into anything in the UIL module that references the declaration.
IMPORTED	A value that you define as imported is one that is defined as a named resource in a UID file. MRM resolves this declaration with the corresponding exported declaration at application run time.

By default, values and objects are private. The following is a list of the supported value types in UIL:

- **ANY**
- **ARGUMENT**
- **BOOLEAN**
- **COLOR**
- **COLOR_TABLE**
- **COMPOUND_STRING**
- **FLOAT**
- **FONT**
- **FONT_TABLE**
- **FONTSET**
- **ICON**
- **INTEGER**
- **INTEGER_TABLE**
- **KEYSYM**
- **REASON**
- **SINGLE_FLOAT**
- **STRING**
- **STRING_TABLE**
- **TRANSLATION_TABLE**
- **WIDE_CHARACTER**
- **WIDGET**

Procedure Sections

A procedure section consists of the **PROCEDURE** keyword followed by a sequence of procedure declarations. It has the following syntax:

PROCEDURE *ProcedureName* [([*ValueType*])] ;

Use a procedure declaration to declare the following:

- A function that can be used as a callback function for a widget
- The creation function for a user-defined widget.

You can reference a procedure name in declarations that occur later in the UIL module in any context where a procedure can be used. Procedures can be forward-referenced. You *cannot* use a name that you used in another context as a procedure name.

In a procedure declaration, you have the option of specifying that a parameter is passed to the corresponding callback function at run time. This parameter is called the *callback tag*. You can specify the data type of the callback tag by putting the data type in parentheses following the procedure name. When you compile the module, the UIL compiler checks that the argument you specify in references to the procedure is of this type. Note that the data type of the callback tag must be one of the valid UIL data types. You can use a widget as a callback tag, as long as the widget is defined in the same widget hierarchy as the callback; that is, they must have a common ancestor that is in the same UIL hierarchy.

The following list summarizes how the UIL compiler checks argument type and argument count, depending on the procedure declaration:

Item	Description
No parameters	No argument type or argument count checking occurs. You can supply either 0 or 1 arguments in the procedure reference.
()	Checks that the argument count is 0.

Item	Description
(ANY)	Checks that the argument count is 1. Does not check the argument type. Use the ANY data type to prevent type checking on procedure tags.
(Type)	Checks for one argument of the specified type.
(ClassName)	Checks for one widget argument of the specified widget class.

While it is possible to use any UIL data type to specify the type of a tag in a procedure declaration, you must be able to represent that data type in the programming language you are using. Some data types (such as integer, Boolean, and string) are common data types recognized by most programming languages. Other UIL data types (such as string tables) are more complicated and may require you to set up an appropriate corresponding data structure in the application in order to pass a tag of that type to a callback function.

You can also use a procedure declaration to specify the creation function for a user-defined widget. In this case, you specify no formal parameters. The procedure is called with the standard three arguments passed to all widget creation functions.

List Sections

A list section consists of the **LIST** keyword followed by a sequence of list declarations. It has the following syntax:

```
LIST ListName : { ListItem; [...] } [...]
```

You can also use list sections to group together a set of arguments, controls (children), callbacks, or procedures for later use in the UIL module. Lists can contain other lists so you can set up a hierarchy to clearly show which arguments, controls, callbacks, and procedures are common to which widgets. You cannot mix the different types of lists; a list of a particular type cannot contain entries of a different list type or reference the name of a different list type. A list name is always private to the UIL module in which you declare the list and cannot be stored as a named resource in a UID file.

The additional list types are described in the following sections.

Arguments List Structure

An arguments list defines which arguments are specified in the arguments-list parameter when the creation function for a particular object is called at run time. An arguments list also specifies the values for those arguments. Arguments lists have the following syntax:

```
LIST ListName : ARGUMENTS { ArgumentName = ValueExpression; [...] } [...]
```

The argument name (*ArgumentName*) must be either a built-in argument name or a user-defined argument name that is specified with the **ARGUMENTS** function.

If you use a built-in argument name as an arguments list entry in an object definition, the UIL compiler checks the argument name to be sure that it is supported by the type of object that you are defining. If the same argument name is displayed more than once in a given arguments list, the last entry that uses that argument name supersedes all previous entries with that name, and the compiler issues a message.

Some arguments, such as **XmNitems** and **XmNitemCount**, are coupled by the UIL compiler. When you specify one of the coupled arguments, the compiler also sets the other one. The coupled argument is not available to you.

AIXwindows and the X Toolkit (Intrinsics) support *constraint arguments*. A constraint argument is one that is passed to children of an object, beyond those arguments normally available. For example, the **Form** widget grants a set of constraint arguments to its children. These arguments control the position of the children within the **Form** widget.

Unlike the arguments used to define the attributes of a particular widget, constraint arguments are used exclusively to define additional attributes of the children of a particular widget. These attributes affect the behavior of the children within their parent. To supply constraint arguments to the children, include the arguments in the arguments list for the child.

Callbacks List Structure

Use a callbacks list to define which callback reasons are to be processed by a particular widget at run time. Callback lists have the following syntax:

```
LIST ListName : CALLBACKS { ReasonName = PROCEDURE ProcedureName [ ( [ ValueExpression ] ) ]; |  
ReasonName = ProcedureList ; [...] } [...]
```

For AIXwindows widgets, the reason name must be a built-in reason name. For a user-defined widget, you can use a reason name that you previously specified using the **REASON** function. If you use a built-in reason in an object definition, the UIL compiler ensures that reason is supported by the type of object you are defining.

If the same reason is displayed more than once in a callbacks list, the last entry referring to that name supersedes all previous entries using the same reason. The UIL compiler then issues a diagnostic message.

If you specify a named value for the procedure argument (callback tag), the data type of the value must match the type specified for the callback tag in the corresponding procedure declaration. When specifying a widget name as a procedure value expression, you must also specify the type of the widget and a space before the name of the widget.

Because the UIL compiler produces a UID file rather than an object module (.o), the binding of the UIL name to the address of the entry point and then to the procedure is not done by the loader. Instead, this binding is established at run time with the **MrmRegisterNames** MRM function. You call this function before fetching any objects, giving it both the UIL names and the procedure addresses of each callback. The name you register with MRM in the application program must match the name you specified for the procedure in the UIL module.

Each callback procedure received three arguments. The first two arguments have the same form for each callback. The form of the third argument varies from object to object.

The first argument is the address of the data structure maintained by the AIXwindows for this object instance. This address is called the widget ID for this object.

The second argument is the address of the value you specified in the callbacks list for this procedure. If you do not specify an argument, the address is null.

The third argument is the reason name you specified in the callbacks list.

Controls List Structure

A controls list defines which objects are children of, or controlled by, a particular object. Each entry in a controls list has the following syntax:

```
LIST ListName : CONTROLS { [ ChildName] [MANAGED | UNMANAGED] ObjectDefinition; [...] } [...]
```

If you specify the **MANAGED** keyword at run time, the object is created and managed; if you specify the **UNMANAGED** keyword at run time, the object is only created. Objects are managed by default.

You can use the *ChildName* parameter to specify resources for the automatically created children of a particular control. Names for automatically created children are formed by appending **Xm_** to the name of the child widget. This name is specified in the documentation for the parent widget.

Unlike the arguments list and the callbacks list, a controls list entry that is identical to a previous entry does *not* supersede the previous entry. At run time, each controls list entry causes a child to be created when the parent is created. If the same object definition is used for multiple children, multiple instances of the child are created at run time.

Procedures List Structure

You can specify multiple procedures for a callback reason in UIL by defining a procedures list. Just as with other list types, procedures lists can be defined in-line or in a list section and referenced by name.

If you define a reason more than once (for example, when the reason is defined both in a referenced procedures list and in the callbacks list for the object), previous definitions are overridden by the latest definition. The syntax for a procedures list is as follows:

LIST *ListName* : **PROCEDURES** { *ProcedureName* [([*ValueExpression*])]; [...] } [...]

When specifying a widget name as a procedure value expression, you must also specify the type of the widget and a space before the name of the widget.

Object Sections

An object section consists of the **OBJECT** keyword followed by a sequence of object declarations. It has the following syntax:

OBJECT *ObjectName* : [**EXPORTED** | **PRIVATE** | **IMPORTED**] *ObjectType* [**PROCEDURE** *CreationFunction*] [*ObjectName* [**WIDGET** | **GADGET**]] { *ListDefinitions* }

Use an object declaration to define the objects that are stored in the UID file. You can reference the object name in declarations that occur elsewhere in the UIL module in any context where an object name can be used (for example, in a controls list, as a symbolic reference to a widget ID, or as the *TagValue* argument for a callback procedure). Objects can be *forward-referenced*, meaning that you can declare an object name after you have referenced it. All references to an object name must be consistent with the type of the object, as specified in the object declaration. You can specify an object as exported, imported, or private.

The object definition can contain a sequence of lists that define the arguments, hierarchy, and callbacks for the widget. You can only specify one list of each type for an object. When you declare a user-defined widget, you must include a reference to the widget creation function for the user-defined widget.

Use the **GADGET** or **WIDGET** keyword to specify the object type or to override the default variant for this object type. You can use the AIXwindows name of an object type that has a gadget variant (for example, **XmLabelGadget**) as an attribute of an object declaration. The *ObjectType* can be any object type, including gadgets. You need to specify the **GADGET** or **WIDGET** keyword only in the declaration of an object, not when you reference the object. You *cannot* specify the **GADGET** or **WIDGET** keyword for a user-defined object; user-defined objects are always widgets.

Identifier Sections

The identifier section allows you to define an *identifier*, a mechanism that achieves run-time binding of data to names that appear in a UIL module. The identifier section consists of the reserved **IDENTIFIER** keyword, followed by a list of names. Each name is followed by a semicolon (;). The syntax is as follows:

IDENTIFIER *IdentifierName*; [...;]

You can use these names later in the UIL module as either the value of an argument to a widget or the tag value to a callback procedure. At run time, use the **MrmRegisterNames** and **MrmRegisterNamesInHierarchy** MRM functions to bind the identifier name with the data (or, in the case of callbacks, with the address of the data) associated with the identifier.

Each UIL module has a single name space; therefore, you cannot use the name you used for a value, object, or procedure as an identifier name in the same module.

The UIL compiler does not do any type checking on the use of identifiers in a UIL module. Unlike a UIL value, an identifier does not have a UIL type associated with it. Regardless of what particular type a widget argument or callback procedure tag is defined to be, you can use an identifier in that context instead of a value of the corresponding type.

To reference these identifier names in a UIL module, use the name of the identifier wherever you want its value to be used.

Include Directives

The include directive incorporates the contents of a specified file into a UIL module. This mechanism allows several UIL modules to share common definitions. The syntax for the include directive is as follows:

INCLUDE FILE *FileName* ;

The UIL compiler replaces the include directive with the contents of the include file and processes it as if these contents were displayed in the current UIL source file.

You can nest include files, meaning that an include file can contain include directives. The UIL compiler can process up to 100 references (including the file containing the UIL module). Therefore, you can include up to 99 files in a single UIL module, including nested files. Each time a file is opened counts as a reference; therefore, including the same file twice counts as two references.

The character expression is a file specification that identifies the file to be included. The rules for finding the specified file are similar to the rules for finding header, or **.h**, files using the include directive, **#include**, with a quoted string in C language. The **uil** command uses the **-I** option for specifying a search directory for include files. Search rules are as follows:

- If you supply a directory, the UIL compiler searches only that directory for the include file.
- If you do not supply a directory, the UIL compiler searches for the include file in the directory of the main source file.
- If the include file is not found in the main source file directory, the compiler looks in the same directory as the source file.

Language Syntax

This section contains information on the following:

- [Names and Strings](#)
- [Data Types](#)
- [String Literals](#)
- [Integer Literals](#)
- [Boolean Literals](#)
- [Floating-Point Literals](#)
- [ANY Data Type](#)
- [Expressions](#)
- [Functions](#).

Names and Strings

Names can consist of any of the characters A to Z, a to z, 0 to 9, \$ (dollar sign), and _ (underscore). Names cannot begin with a digit (0 to 9). The maximum length of a name is 31 characters.

UIL gives you a choice of either case-sensitive or case-insensitive names through a clause in the **MODULE** header. For example, if names are case-sensitive, the names "sample" and "Sample" are distinct from each other. If names are case-insensitive, these names are treated as the same name and can be used interchangeably. By default, UIL assumes names are case-sensitive.

In case-insensitive mode, the compiler outputs all names in the UID file in uppercase form. In case-sensitive mode, names are displayed in the UIL file exactly as they are displayed in the source file.

The following lists the reserved keywords, which *cannot* be used for programmer-defined names:

Table 10. Reserved Keywords

Item	Description	Description
ARGUMENTS	CALLBACKS	CONTROLS
END	EXPORTED	FALSE
GADGET	IDENTIFIER	INCLUDE
LIST	MODULE	OFF
ON	OBJECT	PRIVATE
PROCEDURE	PROCEDURES	TRUE
VALUE	WIDGET	

The following lists UIL unreserved keywords. These keywords can be used as programmer-defined names; however, if you use any of these keywords as names, you cannot use the UIL-supplied form of that keyword.

Built-in argument names (for example, **XmNx**, **XmNheight**) Built-in reason names (for example, **XmNactivateCallback**, **XmNhelpCallback**) Character set names (for example, **ISO_LATIN1**, **ISO_HEBREW_LR**) Constant value names (for example, **XmMENU_OPTION**, **XmBROWSE_SELECT**) Object types (for example, **XmPushButton**, **XmBulletinBoard**)

Table 11. Unreserved Keywords

Item	Description	Description
ANY	FILE	IMPORTED
ARGUMENT	FLOAT	REASON
ASCIZ_STRING_TABLE	FONT	RGB
ASCIZ_TABLE	FONTSET	SINGLE_FLOAT
BACKGROUND	FONT_TABLE	STRING
BOOLEAN	FOREGROUND	STRING_TABLE
CASE_INSENSITIVE	ICON	TRANSLATION_TABLE
CASE_SENSITIVE	INTEGER	UNMANAGED
CHARACTER_SET	INTEGER_TABLE	USER_DEFINED
COLOR	KEYSYM	VERSION
COLOR_TABLE	MANAGED	WIDE_CHARACTER
COMPOUND_STRING	NAMES	WIDGET
COMPOUND_STRING_TABLE	OBJECTS	XBITMAPFILE
	RIGHT_TO_LEFT	

String literals can be composed of uppercase and lowercase letters, digits, and punctuation characters. Spaces, tabs, and comments are special elements in the language. They are a means of delimiting other elements, such as two names. One or more of these elements can be displayed before or after any other element in the language. However, spaces, tabs, and comments that are displayed in string literals are treated as character sequences rather than delimiters.

Data Types

UIL provides literals for several of the value types it supports. Some of the value types are not supported as literals (for example, pixmaps and string tables). You can specify values for these types by using functions described in the "[Functions](#)" section. UIL directly supports the following literal types:

- String literal
- Integer literal
- Boolean literal
- Floating-point literal

UIL also includes the **ANY** data type, which is used to turn off compile-time checking of data types.

String Literals

A string literal is a sequence of 0 or more 8-bit or 16-bit characters or a combination delimited by ' (single quotation marks) or " (double quotation marks). String literals can also contain multibyte characters delimited with double quotation marks. String literals can be no more than 2,000 characters long.

A single-quoted string literal can span multiple source lines. To continue a single-quoted string literal, end the continued line with a \ (backslash). The literal continues with the first character on the next line.

Double-quoted string literals cannot span multiple source lines. (Because double-quoted strings can contain escape sequences and other special characters, you cannot use the backslash character to designate the continuation of the string.) To build a string value that must span multiple source lines, use the concatenation operation that is described later in this section.

The syntax of a string literal can be one of the following:

```
'[CharacterString]'  
[#CharSet]"[CharacterString]"
```

Both string forms associate a character set with a string value. UIL uses the following rules to determine the character set and storage format for string literals:

- A string declared as `'String'` is equivalent to `#CurCharSet"String"`, where *CurCharSet* is the codeset portion of the value of the **LANG** environment variable. If the **LANG** environment variable is not set or has no code set component, *CurCharSet* is the value of **XmFALLBACK_CHARSET**. By default, **XmFALLBACK_CHARSET** is **ISO8859-1** (equivalent to **ISO_LATIN1**), but vendors can define a different default.
- A string declared as `"String"` is equivalent to `#CharSet"String"` if you specified *CharSet* as the default character set for the module. If no default character set has been specified for the module and either the **-s** option is provided to the **uil** command or the **use_setlocale_flag** value is set for the **Uil** function callable compiler, the string is interpreted to be a string in the current locale. This means that the string is parsed in the locale of the user by calling **setlocale** and its character set is set to a value of **XmFONTLIST_DEFAULT_TAG**. If the string is converted to a compound string, it is stored as a locale-encoded text segment. Otherwise, `"String"` is equivalent to `#CurCharSet"String"`, where *CurCharSet* is interpreted as described for single-quoted strings.
- A string of the form `"String"` or `#CharSet"String"` is stored as a null-terminated string.

The following lists the character sets supported by the UIL compiler for string literals. Note that several UIL names map to the same character set. In some cases, the UIL name influences how string literals are read. For example, strings identified by a UIL character set name ending in **_LR** are read left-to-right. Names that end in a different number reflect different fonts (for example, **ISO_LATIN1** or **ISO_LATIN6**). All character sets in this list are represented by 8 bits.

UIL Name	Description
ISO_LATIN1	GL: ASCII, GR: Latin-1 Supplement
ISO_LATIN2	GL: ASCII, GR: Latin-2 Supplement
ISO_ARABIC	GL: ASCII, GR: Latin-Arabic Supplement
ISO_LATIN6	GL: ASCII, GR: Latin-Arabic Supplement
ISO_GREEK	GL: ASCII, GR: Latin-Greek Supplement
ISO_LATIN7	GL: ASCII, GR: Latin-Greek Supplement
ISO_HEBREW	GL: ASCII, GR: Latin-Hebrew Supplement
ISO_LATIN8	GL: ASCII, GR: Latin-Hebrew Supplement
ISO_HEBREW_LR	GL: ASCII, GR: Latin-Hebrew Supplement
ISO_LATIN8_LR	GL: ASCII, GR: Latin-Hebrew Supplement
JIS_KATAKANA	GL: JIS Roman, GR: JIS Katakana

Following are the parsing rules for each of the character sets:

Character Set

All character sets

**ISO_LATIN1, ISO_LATIN2, ISO_ARABIC,
ISO_LATIN6, ISO_GREEK, ISO_LATIN7**

ISO_HEBREW, ISO_LATIN8

ISO_HEBREW_LR, ISO_LATIN8_LR

JIS_KATAKANA

Parsing Rule

Character codes in the range 00 to 1F, 7F, and 80 to 9F are control characters including both bytes of 16-bit characters. The compiler flags these as illegal characters.

These sets are parsed from left to right. The escape sequences for null-terminated strings are also supported by these character sets.

These sets are parsed from right to left. For example, the string `#ISO_HEBREW"012345"` generates a primitive string `"543210"` with the character set **ISO_HEBREW**. A DDIS descriptor for such a string has this segment marked as being right to left. The escape sequences for null-terminated strings are also supported by these character sets, and the characters that compose the escape sequences are in left-to-right order. For example, you type `\n`, not `n\`.

These sets are parsed from left to right. For example, the string `#ISO_HEBREW"012345"` generates a primitive string `"012345"` with the character set **ISO_HEBREW**. A DDIS descriptor for such a string marks this segment as being left to right. The escape sequences for null-terminated strings are also supported by these character sets.

This set is parsed from left to right. The escape sequences for null-terminated strings are also supported by these character sets. Note that the `\` (backslash) can be displayed as a yen symbol.

In addition to designating parsing rules for strings, character set information remains an attribute of a compound string. If the string is included in a string consisting of several concatenated segments, the character set information is included with that string segment. This gives AIXwindows the information it needs to decipher the compound string and choose a font to display the string.

For an application interface displayed only in English, UIL lets you ignore the distinctions between the two uses of strings. The compiler recognizes by context when a string must be passed as a null-terminated string or as a compound string.

The UIL compiler recognizes enough information about the various character sets to correctly parse string literals. The compiler also issues errors if you use a compound string in a context that supports only null-terminated strings.

Since the character set names are keywords, you must put them in lowercase if case-sensitive names are in force. If names are case-insensitive, character set names can be uppercase, lowercase, or mixed case.

In addition to the built-in character sets recognized by UIL, you can define your own character sets with the **CHARACTER_SET** function. You can use the **CHARACTER_SET** function anywhere a character set can be specified.

String literals can contain characters with the eighth (high-order) bit set. You cannot type control characters (00 to 1F, 7F, and 80 to 9F) directly in a single-quoted string literal. However, you can represent these characters with escape sequences. The following list shows the escape sequences for special characters:

Item	Description
<code>\b</code>	Backspace

Item	Description
<code>\f</code>	Form-feed
<code>\n</code>	New-line
<code>\r</code>	Carriage return
<code>\t</code>	Horizontal tab
<code>\v</code>	Vertical tab
<code>\'</code>	Single quotation mark
<code>\"</code>	Double quotation mark
<code>\\</code>	Backslash
<code>\Integer\</code>	Character whose internal representation is given by <i>Integer</i> (in the range 0 to 255 decimal).

Note: Escape sequences are processed literally in strings that are parsed in the current locale (localized strings).

The UIL compiler does not process new-line characters in compound strings. The effect of a new-line character in a compound string depends only on the character set of the string. The result is not guaranteed to be a multiline string.

Compound String Literals

A compound string consists of a string of 8-bit, 16-bit, or multibyte characters, a named character set, and a writing direction. Its UIL data type is **compound_string**.

The writing direction of a compound string is implied by the character set specified for the string. You can explicitly set the writing direction for a compound string by using the **COMPOUND_STRING** function.

A compound string can consist of a sequence of concatenated compound strings, null-terminated strings, or a combination of both, each of which can have a different character set property and writing direction. Use the & (ampersand) concatenation operator to create a sequence of compound strings.

Each string in the sequence is stored, including the character set and writing direction information.

Generally, a string literal is stored in the UID file as a compound string when the literal consists of concatenated strings having different character sets or writing directions, or when you use the string to specify a value for an argument that requires a compound string value. If you want to guarantee that a string literal is stored as a compound string, you *must* use the **COMPOUND_STRING** function.

Data Storage Consumption for String Literals

The way a string literal is stored in the UID file depends on how you declare and use the string. The UIL compiler automatically converts a null-terminated string to a compound string if you use the string to specify the value of an argument that requires a compound string. However, this conversion is costly in terms of storage consumption.

PRIVATE, **EXPORTED**, and **IMPORTED** string literals require storage for a single allocation when the literal is declared; thereafter, storage is required for each reference to the literal. Literals declared in-line require storage for both an allocation and a reference.

The following list summarizes data storage consumption for string literals. The storage requirement for an allocation consists of a fixed portion and a variable portion. The fixed portion of an allocation is roughly the same as the storage requirement for a reference (a few bytes). The storage consumed by the variable portion depends on the size of the literal value (the length of the string). To conserve storage space, avoid making string literal declarations that result in an allocation per use.

Declaration (and Data Type)	Used As	Storage Requirements Per Use
In-line (Null-terminated)	Null-terminated	An allocation and a reference (within the module)
Private (Null-terminated)	Null-terminated	A reference (within the module)
Exported (Null-terminated)	Null-terminated	A reference (within the UID hierarchy)
Imported (Null-terminated)	Null-terminated	A reference (within the UID hierarchy)
In-line (Null-terminated)	Compound	An allocation and a reference (within the module)
Private (Null-terminated)	Compound	An allocation and a reference (within the module)
Exported (Null-terminated)	Compound	A reference (within the UID hierarchy)
Imported (Null-terminated)	Compound	A reference (within the UID hierarchy)
In-line (Compound)	Compound	An allocation and a reference (within the module)
Private (Compound)	Compound	A reference (within the module)
Exported (Compound)	Compound	A reference (within the UID hierarchy)
Imported (Compound)	Compound	A reference (within the UID hierarchy)

Integer Literals

An integer literal represents the value of a whole number. Integer literals have the form of an optional sign followed by one or more decimal digits. An integer literal must not contain embedded spaces or commas.

Integer literals are stored in the UID file as long integers. Exported and imported integer literals require a single allocation when the literal is declared; thereafter, a few bytes of storage are required for each reference to the literal. Private integer literals and those declared in-line require allocation and reference storage per use. To conserve storage space, avoid making integer literal declarations that result in an allocation per use.

The following list shows data storage consumption for integer literals:

Declaration	Storage Requirements Per Use
In-line	An allocation and a reference (within the module).
Private	An allocation and a reference (within the module).
Exported	A reference (within the UID hierarchy).
Imported	A reference (within the UID hierarchy).

Boolean Literals

A Boolean literal represents the True value (reserved keyword **TRUE** or **On**) or False value (reserved keyword **FALSE** or **Off**). These keywords are subject to case-sensitivity rules.

In a UID file, **TRUE** is represented by the integer value 1 and **FALSE** is represented by the integer value 0.

Data storage consumption for Boolean literals is the same as that for integer literals.

Floating-Point Literals

A floating-point literal represents the value of a real (or float) number. Floating-point literals have the following form:

```
[+|-][Integer].Integer[E|e[+|-]Exponent]
```

For maximum portability, a floating-point literal can represent values in the range 1.0E-37 to 1.0E+37 with at least six significant digits. On many machines, this range is wider, with more significant digits. A floating-point literal must not contain embedded spaces or commas.

Floating-point literals are stored in the UID file as double-precision, floating-point numbers. The following gives examples of valid and invalid floating-point notation for the UIL compiler:

Valid Floating-Point Literals

1.0
 .1
 3.1415E-2 (equals .031415)
 -6.29e7 (equals -62900000)

Invalid Floating-Point Literals

1e1 (no decimal point)
 E-1 (no decimal point or digits)
 2.87 e6 (embedded blanks)
 2.0e100 (out of range)

Data storage consumption for floating-point literals is the same as that for integer literals.

ANY Data Type

The purpose of the **ANY** data type is to shut off the data-type checking feature of the UIL compiler. You can use the **ANY** data type for either of the following:

- Specifying the type of a callback procedure tag.
- Specifying the type of a user-defined argument.

You can use the **ANY** data type when you need to use a type not supported by the UIL compiler or when you want the data-type restrictions imposed by the compiler to be relaxed. For example, you might want to define a widget having an argument that can accept different types of values, depending on run-time circumstances.

If you specify that an argument takes an **ANY** value, the compiler does not check the type of the value specified for that argument. Therefore, you need to take care when specifying a value for an argument of the **ANY** data type. You may get unexpected results at run time if you pass a value having a data type that the widget does not support for that argument.

Expressions

UIL includes compile-time value expressions. These expressions can contain references to other UIL values, but cannot be forward-referenced.

The following lists the set of operators in UIL that allow you to create integer, real, and Boolean values based on other values defined with the UIL module. In the list, a precedence of 1 is the highest.

Operator (And Its Meaning)	Operand Types	Precedence
~ (NOT)	Boolean	1
(Ones complement)	integer	
- (Negate)	float	1
(Negate)	integer	
+ (NOP)	float	1
(NOP)	integer	
* (Multiply)	float,float	2
(Multiply)	integer,integer	
/ (Divide)	float,float	2
(Divide)	integer,integer	
+ (Add)	float,float	3
(Add)	integer,integer	
- (Subtract)	float,float	3
(Subtract)	integer,integer	

Operator (And Its Meaning)	Operand Types	Precedence
>> (Shift right)	integer, integer	4
<< (Shift left)	integer, integer	4
& (NOT)	Boolean, Boolean	5
(Bitwise AND)	integer, integer	
(Concatenate)	string, string	
(OR)	Boolean, Boolean	6
(Bitwise OR)	integer, integer	
^ (XOR)	Boolean, Boolean	6
(Bitwise XOR)	integer, integer	

A string can be either a single compound string or a sequence of compound strings. If the two concatenated strings have different properties (such as writing direction or character set), the result of the concatenation is a multisegment compound string.

The string resulting from the concatenation is a null-terminated string unless one or more of the following conditions exists:

- One of the operands is a compound string.
- The operands have different character set properties.
- The operands have different writing directions.

If one or more of previous conditions are met, the resulting string is a compound string. You cannot use imported or exported values as operands of the concatenation operator.

The result of each operator has the same type as its operands. You cannot mix types in an expression without using conversion functions.

You can use parentheses to override the normal precedence of operators. In a sequence of unary operators, the operations are performed in right-to-left order. For example, `- + -A` is equivalent to `-(+(-A))`. In a sequence of binary operators of the same precedence, the operations are performed in left-to-right order. For example, `A*B/C*D` is equivalent to `((A*B)/c)*D`.

A value declaration gives a value a name. You cannot redefine the value of that name in a subsequent value declaration. You can use a value containing operators and functions anywhere you can use a value in a UIL module. You cannot use imported values as operands in expressions.

Several of the binary operators are defined for multiple data types. For example, the operator for multiplication (*) is defined for both floating-point and integer operands.

For the UIL compiler to perform these binary operations, both operands must be of the same type. If you supply operands of different data types, the UIL compiler automatically converts one of the operands to the type of the other according to the following conversion rules:

- If the operands are an integer and a Boolean, the Boolean is converted to an integer.
- If the operands are an integer and a floating-point, the integer is converted to a floating-point.
- If the operands are a floating-point and a Boolean, the Boolean is converted to a floating-point.

You can also explicitly convert the data type of a value by using one of the **INTEGER**, **FLOAT**, or **SINGLE_FLOAT** conversion functions.

Functions

UIL provides functions to generate the following types of values:

- Character sets
- Keysyms

- Colors
- Pixmaps
- Single-precision, floating-point numbers
- Double-precision, floating-point numbers
- Fonts
- Font sets
- Font tables
- Compound strings
- Compound string tables
- ASCIZ (null-terminated) string tables
- Wide character strings
- Widget class names
- Integer tables
- Arguments
- Reasons
- Translation tables.

All examples in the following sections assume case-insensitive mode. Keywords are shown in uppercase letters to distinguish them from user-specified names, which are shown in mixed-case italics. This use of uppercase letters is not required in case-insensitive mode. In case-sensitive mode, keywords must be in lowercase letters.

CHARACTER_SET(*StringExpression*[,*Property*[, ...]])

You can define your own character sets with the **CHARACTER_SET** function. You can use the **CHARACTER_SET** function anywhere a character set can be specified.

The result of the **CHARACTER_SET** function is a character set with the name *StringExpression* and the properties you specify. *StringExpression* must be a null-terminated string. You can optionally include one or both of the following clauses to specify properties for the resulting character set:

RIGHT_TO_LEFT = *BooleanExpression* **SIXTEEN_BIT** = *BooleanExpression*

The **RIGHT_TO_LEFT** clause sets the default writing direction of the string from right to left if *BooleanExpression* is True, and left to right otherwise.

The **SIXTEEN_BIT** clause allows the strings associated with this character set to be interpreted as 16-bit characters if *BooleanExpression* is True, and 8-bit characters otherwise.

KEYSYM(*StringLiteral*)

The **KEYSYM** function is used to specify a keysym for a mnemonic resource. The *StringLiteral* must contain exactly one character. If the **-s** compiler flag is used, *StringLiteral* which uses double quotes must specify a character set.

COLOR(*StringExpression*[,FOREGROUND**|**BACKGROUND**])**

The **COLOR** function supports the definition of colors. Using the **COLOR** function, you can designate a value to specify a color and use that value for arguments requiring a color value. The string expression names the color you want to define. The optional **FOREGROUND** and **BACKGROUND** keywords identify how the color is to be displayed on a monochrome device when the color is used in the definition of a color table.

The UIL compiler does not have built-in color names. Colors are a server-dependent attribute of an object. Colors are defined on each server and may have different red-green-blue (RGB) values on each server. The string you specify as the color argument must be recognized by the server on which your application runs.

In a UID file, UIL represents a color as a character string. MRM calls X translation functions that convert a color string to the device-specific pixel value. If you are running on a monochrome server, all

colors translate to black or white. If you are on a color server, the color names translate to their proper colors if the following conditions are met:

- The color is defined.
- The color map is not yet full.

If the color map is full, even valid colors translate to black or white (foreground or background).

Generally, interfaces do not specify colors for widgets. This enables the selection of colors to be controlled by the user through the **.Xdefaults** file.

To write an application that runs on both monochrome and color devices, you need to specify which colors in a color table (defined with the **COLOR_TABLE** function) map to the background and which colors map to the foreground. UIL lets you use the **COLOR** function to map the color red to the background color on a monochrome device as follows:

```
VALUE c: COLOR ( 'red',BACKGROUND );
```

Mapping is necessary only when the MRM is given a color and the application is to be displayed on a monochrome device. In this case, each color is considered to be in one of the following three categories:

- The color is mapped to the background color on the monochrome device.
- The color is mapped to the foreground color on the monochrome device.
- Monochrome mapping is undefined for this color.

If the color is mapped to the foreground or background color, MRM substitutes the foreground or background color, respectively. If you do not specify the monochrome mapping for a color, MRM passes the color string to AIXwindows for mapping to the foreground or background color.

RGB(*RedInteger*, *GreenInteger*, *BlueInteger*)

The three integers define the values for the red, green, and blue components of the color, in that order. The values of these components can range from 0 to 65,535, inclusive.

In a UID file, UIL represents an RGB value as three integers. MRM calls X translation functions that convert the integers to the device-specific pixel value. If you are running on a monochrome server, all colors translate to black or white. If you are on a color server, RGB values translate to their proper colors if the color map is not yet full. If the color map is full, values translate to black or white (foreground or background).

COLOR_TABLE(*ColorExpression*='Character'[, ...])

The color expression is a previously defined color, a color defined in-line with the **COLOR** function, or the phrase **BACKGROUND COLOR** or **FOREGROUND COLOR**. The character can be any valid UIL character.

The **COLOR_TABLE** function provides a device-independent way to specify a set of colors. The **COLOR_TABLE** function accepts either previously defined UIL color names or in-line color definitions (using the **COLOR** function). A color table must be private because its contents must be known by the UIL compiler to construct an icon. The colors within a color table, however, can be imported, exported, or private.

The single letter associated with each color is the character you use to represent that color when creating an icon. Each letter used to represent a color must be unique within the color table.

ICON([COLOR_TABLE**=*ColorTableName*,] *Row*[, ...])**

The color table name must refer to a previously defined color table. The row is a character expression that gives one row of the icon.

The **ICON** function describes a rectangular icon that is x pixels wide and y pixels high. The strings surrounded by single quotation marks describe the icon. Each string represents a row in the icon; each character in the string represents a pixel.

The first row in an icon definition determines the width of the icon. All rows must have the same number of characters as the first row. The height of the icon is dictated by the number of rows.

The first argument of the **ICON** function (the color table specification) is optional and identifies the colors that are available in this icon. By using the single letter associated with each color, you can specify the color of each pixel in the icon. The icon must be constructed of characters defined in the specified color table.

A default color table is used if you omit the argument specifying the color table. To make use of the default color table, the rows of your icon must contain only spaces and asterisks. The default color table is defined as follows:

```
COLOR_TABLE( BACKGROUND COLOR = ' ', FOREGROUND COLOR = '*' )
```

You can define other characters to represent the background color and foreground color by replacing the space and asterisk in the **BACKGROUND COLOR** and **FOREGROUND COLOR** clauses shown in the example statement. You can specify icons as private, imported, or exported. Use the **MrmFetchIconLiteral** MRM function to retrieve an exported icon at run time.

XBITMAPFILE(StringExpression)

The **XBITMAPFILE** function is similar to the **ICON** function in that both describe a rectangular icon that is x pixels wide and y pixels high. However, the **XBITMAPFILE** function allows you to specify an external file containing the definition of an X bitmap, while all **ICON** function definitions must be coded directly within UIL. X bitmap files can be generated by many different X applications. UIL reads these files through the **XBITMAPFILE** function, but does not support creation of these files. The X bitmap file specified as the argument to the **XBITMAPFILE** function is read by MRM at application run time.

The **XBITMAPFILE** function returns a value of type pixmap and can be used anywhere a pixmap data type is expected.

SINGLE_FLOAT(RealNumberLiteral)

The **SINGLE_FLOAT** function lets you store floating-point literals in UIL files as single-precision, floating-point numbers. Single-precision, floating-point numbers can often be stored using less memory than double-precision, floating-point numbers. The *RealNumberLiteral* can be either an integer literal or a floating-point literal. A value defined using this function cannot be used in an arithmetic expression.

FLOAT(RealNumberLiteral)

The **FLOAT** function lets you store floating-point literals in UIL files as double-precision, floating-point numbers. The *RealNumberLiteral* can be either an integer literal or a floating-point literal.

FONT(StringExpression[,CHARACTER_SET=CharSet])

You define fonts with the **FONT** function. Using the **FONT** function, you designate a value to specify a font and use that value for arguments that require a font value. The UIL compiler has no built-in fonts.

Each font makes sense only in the context of a character set. The **FONT** function has an additional parameter to let you specify the character set for the font. This parameter is optional; if you omit it, the default character set depends on the value of the **LANG** environment variable. If **LANG** is not set, the default character set is set to **XmFALLBACK_CHARSET**.

The string expression specifies the name of the font and the clause **CHARACTER_SET=CharSet** specifies the character set for the font. The string expression used in the **FONT** function cannot be a compound string.

FONTSET(StringExpression[,...][,CHARACTER_SET=CharSet])

You define fontsets with the **FONTSET** function. Using the **FONTSET** function, you designate a set of values to specify a font and use those values for arguments that require a fontset value. The UIL compiler has no built-in fonts.

Each font makes sense only in the context of a character set. The **FONTSET** function has an additional parameter to let you specify the character set for the font. This parameter is optional; if you omit it, the default character set depends on the value of the **LANG** environment variable. If **LANG** is not set, the default character set is set to **XmFALLBACK_CHARSET**.

The string expression specifies the name of the font and the clause **CHARACTER_SET=CharSet** specifies the character set for the font. The string expression used in the **FONTSET** function cannot be a compound string.

FONT_TABLE(FontExpression[,...])

A font table is a sequence of pairs of fonts and character sets. At run time when an object needs to display a string, the object scans the font table for the character set that matches the character set of the string to be displayed. UIL provides the **FONT_TABLE** function to let you supply such an argument. The font expression is created with the **FONT** and **FONTSET** functions.

If you specify a single font value to specify an argument that requires a font table, the UIL compiler automatically converts a font value to a font table.

COMPOUND_STRING(StringExpression[,Property[,...]])

Use the **COMPOUND_STRING** function to set properties of a null-terminated string and to convert it into a compound string. The properties you can set are the character set, writing direction, and separator.

The result of the **COMPOUND_STRING** function is a compound string with the string expression as its value. You can optionally include one or more of the following clauses to specify properties for the resulting compound string:

CHARACTER_SET=CharacterSet **RIGHT_TO_LEFT=BooleanExpression**
SEPARATE=BooleanExpression

The **CHARACTER_SET** clause specifies the character set for the string. If you omit the **CHARACTER_SET** clause, the resulting string has the same character set as *StringExpression*.

The **RIGHT_TO_LEFT** clause sets the writing direction of the string from right to left if *BooleanExpression* is True. Otherwise, writing direction is left to right. Specifying this argument does not cause the value of the string expression to change. If you omit the **RIGHT_TO_LEFT** argument, the resulting string has the same writing direction as *StringExpression*.

The **SEPARATE** clause appends a separator to the end of the compound string if *BooleanExpression* is True. If you omit the **SEPARATE** clause, the resulting string does not have a separator.

You cannot use imported or exported values as the operands of the **COMPOUND_STRING** function.

COMPOUND_STRING_TABLE(StringExpression[,...])

A compound string table is an array of compound strings. Objects requiring a list of string values, such as the **XmNitems** and **XmNselectedItems** arguments for the **List** widget, use string table values. The **COMPOUND_STRING_TABLE** function builds the values for these two arguments of the **List** widget. The **COMPOUND_STRING_TABLE** function generates a value of type *string_table*. The name **STRING_TABLE** is a synonym for **COMPOUND_STRING_TABLE**.

The strings inside the string table can be simple strings, which the UIL compiler automatically converts to compound strings.

ASCIZ_STRING_TABLE(StringExpression[,...])

An ASCIZ string table is an array of ASCIZ (null-terminated) string values separated by commas. This function allows you to pass more than one ASCIZ string as a callback tag value. The **ASCIZ_STRING_TABLE** function generates a value of type *asciz_table*. The name **ASCIZ_TABLE** is a synonym for **ASCIZ_STRING_TABLE**.

WIDE_CHARACTER(StringExpression)

Use the **WIDE_CHARACTER** function to generate a wide character string from a null-terminated string in the current locale.

CLASS_REC_NAME(StringExpression)

Use the **CLASS_REC_NAME** function to generate a widget class name. For a widget class defined by the toolkit, the string argument is the name of the class. For a user-defined widget, the string argument is the name of the creation function for the widget.

INTEGER_TABLE(*IntegerExpression*[,...])

An integer table is an array of integer values separated by commas. This function allows you to pass more than one integer per callback tag value. The **INTEGER_TABLE** function generates a value of type **integer_table**.

ARGUMENTS(*StringExpression*[,*ArgumentType*])

The **ARGUMENTS** function defines the arguments to a user-defined widget. Each of the objects that can be described by UIL permits a set of arguments. For example, **XmNheight** is an argument to most objects and has the integer data type. To specify height for a user-defined widget, you can use the built-in argument name **XmNheight** and specify an integer value when you declare the user-defined widget. Do not use the **ARGUMENTS** function to specify arguments that are built into the UIL compiler.

The *StringExpression* name is the name the UIL compiler uses for the argument in the UID file. The *ArgumentType* is the type of value that can be associated with the argument. If you omit the second argument, the default type is **ANY** and no value type checking occurs. Use any of the following keywords to specify the argument type:

- **Any**
- **Asciz_Table**
- **Boolean**
- **Color**
- **Color_Table**
- **Compound_String**
- **Float**
- **Font**
- **Font_Table**
- **Fontset**
- **Icon**
- **Integer**
- **Integer_Table**
- **Reason**
- **Single_Float**
- **String**
- **String_Table**
- **Translation_Table**
- **Wide_Character**
- **Widget**

You can use the **ARGUMENTS** function to allow the UIL compiler to recognize extensions to AIXwindows. For example, an existing widget can accept a new argument. Using the **ARGUMENTS** function, you can make this new argument available to the UIL compiler before the updated version of the compiler is released.

REASON(*StringExpression*)

The **REASON** function is useful for defining new reasons for user-defined widgets.

Each of the objects in AIXwindows defines a set of conditions under which it calls a user-defined function. These conditions are known as *callback reasons*. The user-defined functions are called *callback procedures*. In a UIL module, you use a callbacks list to specify which user-defined functions are to be called for which reasons.

When you declare a user-defined widget, you can define callback reasons for that widget using the **REASON** function. The string expression specifies the argument name stored in the UID file for the reason. This reason name is supplied to the widget creation function at run time.

TRANSLATION_TABLE(*StringExpression*[,...])

Each of the AIXwindows widgets have a translation table that maps X events (for example, pressing mouse button 1) to a sequence of actions. Through widget arguments, such as the common translations argument, you can specify an alternate set of events or actions for a particular widget. The **TRANSLATION_TABLE** function creates a translation table that can be used as the value of an argument that is of the data type translation_table.

You can use one of the following translation table directives with the **TRANSLATION_TABLE** function: **#override**, **#augment**, or **#replace**. The default is **#replace**. If you specify one of these directives, it must be the first entry in the translation table.

The **#override** directive causes any duplicate translations to be ignored. For example, if a translation for <Btn1Down> is already defined in the current translations for a PushButton, the translation defined by *NewTranslations* overrides the current definition. If the **#augment** directive is specified, the current definition takes precedence. The **#replace** directive replaces all current translations with those specified in the **XmNtranslations** resource.

Files

- /usr/include/uil/Uil.h
- /usr/include/uil/UilDBDef.h
- /usr/include/uil/UilDef.h
- /usr/include/uil/UilSymDef.h
- /usr/include/uil/UilSymGl.h

Related reference

[WML File Format](#)

Related information

[uil command](#)

utmp, wtmp, failedlogin File Format

Purpose

Describes formats for user and accounting information.

Description

The **utmp** file, the **wtmp** file, and the **failedlogin** file contain records with user and accounting information.

When a user attempts to logs in, the **login** program writes entries in two files:

- The **/etc/utmp** file, which contains a record of users logged into the system.
- The **/var/adm/wtmp** file (if it exists), which contains connect-time accounting records.

On an invalid login attempt, due to an incorrect login name or password, the **login** program makes an entry in:

- The **/etc/security/failedlogin** file, which contains a record of unsuccessful login attempts.

The records in these files follow the **utmp** format, defined in the [utmp.h](#) header file.

Files

Item	Description
/etc/utmp	Contains a record of users logged into the system.
/var/adm/wtmp	Contains connect accounting information.

Item	Description
/etc/security/failedlogin	Contains a record of invalid login attempts.

Related reference

[utmp.h File](#)

[lastlog File Format](#)

Related information

[fwtmp command](#)

[init command](#)

vgrindefs File Format

Purpose

Contains the language definition database for the **vgrind** command.

Description

The **vgrindefs** file format contains all the language definitions for the **vgrind** command. The database is very similar to the [terminfo](#) file format (file of terminal capabilities).

Fields

The following table contains the name and description of each field:

Name	Type	Description
ab	str	Alternate regular expression for the start of a comment.
ae	str	Alternate regular expression for the end of a comment.
pb	str	Regular expression for the start of a procedure.
bb	str	Regular expression for the start of a lexical block.
be	str	Regular expression for the end of a lexical block.
cb	str	Regular expression for the start of a comment.
ce	str	Regular expression for the end of a comment.
sb	str	Regular expression for the start of a string.
se	str	Regular expression for the end of a string.
lb	str	Regular expression for the start of a character constant.
le	str	Regular expression for the end of a character constant.
tl	bool	Presence means procedures are only defined at the top lexical level.
oc	bool	Presence means upper and lowercase are equivalent.
kw	str	List of keywords separated by spaces.

Examples

The following entry, which describes the C language, is typical of a language entry:

```
C|c:      :pb=^\d?*?\d?\p\d??):bb={:be=}:cb=/*:ce=*/:sb=":se="\e":\
          :lb=':le="\e':tl:\
          :kw=asm auto break case char continue default do
          double else enum\
          extern float for fortran goto if int long register
          return short\
```

```
sizeof static struct switch typedef union unsigned
while #define\
#else #endif #if #ifdef #ifndef #include #undef # define
else endif\
if ifdef ifndef include undef:
```

The first field is the language name or any variants of the name. Thus the C language can be specified to the **vgrind** command in either lowercase or uppercase c.

Entries can continue onto multiple lines by giving a \ (backslash) as the last character of a line. The **vgrindefs** file format has the following two capabilities:

- Boolean capabilities that indicate a particular feature of the language
- String capabilities that give a regular expression or keyword list.

In the Java™ language, where comments can be delimited either by a starting `"/"` or an ending `"*/"`, or by a starting `"/"` and `"end"` at the end of the line, the Java **vgrindefs** definition might be:

```
cb=/*:ce=*/:ab=//:ae=$
```

Regular Expressions

The **vgrindefs** file format uses regular expressions similar to those of the **ex** command and the **lex** command. The characters ^ (caret), \$ (dollar sign), : (colon), and \ (backslash) are reserved characters and must be quoted with a preceding \ (backslash) if they are to be included as normal characters. The metasympols and their meanings follow:

Item Description

- \$ End of a line.
- ^ Beginning of a line.
- \d Delimiter (space, tab, newline, start of line).
- \a Matches any string of symbols, such as .* in the **lex** command.
- \p Matches any alphanumeric name. In a procedure definition (pb), the string that matches this symbol is used as the procedure name.
- () Grouping.
- | Alternation.
- ? Last item is optional.
- \e Preceding any string, means that the string does not match an input string if the input string is preceded by an escape character (\). Typically used for languages (such as C) that can include the string delimiter in a string by escaping it.

Unlike other regular expressions in the system, these metasympols match words and not characters. Hence the pattern `"(tramp|steamer)flies?"` matches `"tramp," "steamer," "trampflies,"` or `"steamerflies."`

Keyword List

The keyword list lists keywords in the language, separated by spaces. If the oc field is specified, indicating that uppercase and lowercase are equivalent, then all the keywords should be specified in lowercase.

Files

Item	Description
/usr/share/lib/vgrindefs	Contains terminal descriptions.

Related reference

[terminfo Directory](#)

Related information

[ex command](#)

[lex command](#)

WML File Format

Purpose

Generates variable UIL compiler components.

Description

The widget meta-language facility (WML) is used to generate changeable components of the user interface language (UIL) compiler, depending on the widget set. Using WML, you can add new widget UIL support to the AIXwindows widget set or add support for a totally new widget set.

File Format

WML files are ASCII files and can be modified with any standard text editor. They are accessed by WML in the **tools/wml** directory and have a **.wml** suffix. The Motif AIXwindows widget set is described in the **motif.wml** file. This is also the default WML file when using the WML facility.

When creating a WML file to add new widgets or change widget characteristics, you can make a copy of the **motif.wml** file and modify it. If you are creating a new widget set for use with UIL, create a completely new file. In either case, the **motif.wml** file is a good example of WML syntax and can help familiarize you with the language before attempting to write your own WML file.

WML files have a basic syntax that is similar in structure to UIL. WML syntax is made up of the following elements:

- [Comments](#)
- [Data Type Definitions](#)
- [Character Set Definitions](#)
- [Enumeration Set Definitions](#)
- [Control List Definitions](#)
- [Class Definitions](#)
- [Child Definitions](#)
- [Resource Definitions](#)

You can use spaces, tabs, or new-line characters anywhere in syntax, as long as they do not split keywords or strings. Comments end at a new-line character. The order of elements in syntax is not important.

The widget meta-language syntax examples shown use the following additional conventions:

Ite	Description
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- | | |
|------------|---|
| [] | Indicates optional elements. |
| ... | Indicates where an element of syntax can be repeated. |
| | Indicates a choice among multiple items. |

Comments

You can include comments in the WML file. Comments have the following syntax:

[AnyElement]!AnyComment

Comments begin with an ! (exclamation point) and extend to the end of the line. A comment can begin on a line by itself or follow any part of another element. A comment does not change the meaning of any other element. For example:

```
!This is a comment
!  that spans two lines.
DataType  !This is a comment that follows code.
```

Data Type Definitions

Data type definitions register all the resource data types used in the file. You must register all the data types used in your WML file. Data type definitions have the following syntax:

DataType *AnyDatatype* { **InternalLiteral** = *InternalName* | **DocName** = "*String*"; [...]}; [...]

A data type definition begins with the **DataType** keyword. Following the **DataType** keyword is a list of data types that can be modified with the following:

Item	Description
InternalLiteral	Forces the value of the internal symbol table literal definition of the data type name. This modifier is used only to circumvent symbol table definitions hard-coded into the UIL compiler and should be used sparingly.
DocName	Gives an arbitrary string for use in the documentation. This string supplies a different name for the data type or a single name for the data type if the data type has aliases. For example:

```
DataType OddNumber {DocName="OddNumber";};
NewString;
```

Character Set Definitions

Character set definitions register the AIXwindows Toolkit name and other information for the character set names used in UIL. Character set definitions have the following syntax:

CharacterSet *AnyCharacterSet* { [**FontListElementTag** | **XmStringCharsetName**] = "*String*"; [**Alias** = "*String*" ... ; | **Direction** = [**LeftToRight** | **RightToLeft**] ; | **ParseDirection** = [**LeftToRight** | **RightToLeft**] ; | **CharacterSize** = [**OneByte** | **TwoByte**] ; } [...] ; [...]

A character set definition begins with the **CharacterSet** keyword. Following the **CharacterSet** keyword is a list of character sets that can be modified with the following:

Item	Description
FontListElementTag XmStringCharsetName	Specifies the name of the character set. The set specified becomes the character set component of the compound string segment that is created. One of these character sets must be specified.
Alias	Specifies one or more aliases for the character set name. Each alias can be used within UIL to refer to the same character set.
Direction	Specifies the direction of a compound string segment created using this character set. The default is LeftToRight .

Item

ParseDirection

Description

Specifies the direction in which an input string is parsed when a compound string segment is created using this character set. If this is not specified, the value of **Direction** is the default.

CharacterSize

Specifies the number of bytes in each character of a compound string segment created using this character set. The default is **OneByte**.

An example of the character set definition syntax is as follows:

```
CharacterSet
  iso_latin1
    { XmStringCharsetName = "ISO8859-1";
      Alias = "ISOLatin1"; } ;
  iso_hebrew_lr
    { XmStringCharsetName = "ISO8859-8";
      Alias = "iso_latin8_lr";
      Direction = RightToLeft;
      ParseDirection = LeftToRight; } ;
  ksc_korean
    { XmStringCharsetName = "KSC5601.1987-0";
      CharacterSize = TwoByte; } ;
```

Enumeration Set Definitions

Enumeration set definitions register the named constants used in the AIXwindows Toolkit to specify certain resource values. Enumeration set definitions have the following syntax:

EnumerationSet *ResourceName* : *ResourceType* { *EnumerationValueName* ; [...] } ;

An enumeration set definition begins with the **EnumerationSet** keyword. For each enumeration set defined, the name and type of the resource is listed. The resource name is the AIXwindows Toolkit resource name, with the beginning **XmN** prefix removed and the initial letter capitalized. For example, the name of the AIXwindows Toolkit resource **XmNrowColumnType** would be **RowColumnType**. The resource type is the data type for the resource; for most resources, this is the integer data type. Following the resource name and type is a list of enumeration value names that can be used as settings for the resource. These names are the same as those in the AIXwindows Toolkit.

An example of the enumeration set definition syntax is as follows:

```
EnumerationSet
  RowColumnType: integer
    { XmWORK_AREA; XmMENU_BAR; XmMENU_POPUP;
      XmMENU_PULLDOWN; XmMENU_OPTION; } ;
```

Control List Definitions

Control list definitions assign a name to groups of controls. You can use these control lists later in class definitions to simplify the structure of your WML file. Control list definitions have the following syntax:

Controllist *AnyControlList* [{ *AnyControl*; [...]}];

A control list definition starts with the **Controllist** keyword. Following the **Controllist** keyword are any number of control list definitions. Control list definitions are made up of a control list name followed by the set of controls it represents. For example:

```
Controllist
  Buttons {PushButton;
          RadioButton;}
```

```
CascadeButton;
NewCascadebutton; } ;
```

Each control specified in the control list must be defined as a class in the file.

Class Definitions

Class definitions describe a particular widget class. Included in this description is its position in the class hierarchy, toolkit convenience function, resources, and controls. There should be one class definition for each widget or gadget in the widget set you want to support in UIL. Class definitions have the following syntax:

```
Class ClassName : MetaClass | Widget | Gadget [{ SuperClass = ClassName; | ParentClass = ParentClassName; | InternalLiteral = InternalName; | Alias = Alias; | ConvenienceFunction = ConvenienceFunction; | WidgetClass = WidgetClass; | DocName = "String"; | DialogClass = True | False; | Resources { AnyResourceName [{ Default = NewDefaultValue; | Exclude = True | False; [...] } ]; [...] }; | Controls { AnyControlName; [...] }; Children { AnyChildName; [...] }; [...] }];
```

Class definitions start with the **Class** keyword. For each class defined, the name of the class and whether the class is a metaclass, widget, or gadget is listed. Each class definition can be modified using the following:

Item	Description
SuperClass	Indicates the name of the parent class. Only the root of the hierarchy does not specify a super class.
ParentClass	Indicates the name of the widget's automatically created parent class, if one exists. This allows resources for the automatically created parent class to be used in this class definition. For example, XmBulletinBoardDialog creates both an XmBulletinBoard and an XmDialogShell . To access the resources of the XmDialogShell parent class, specify it here.
InternalLiteral	Forces the value of the internal symbol table literal definition of the class name. This modifier is used only to circumvent symbol table definitions hard-coded into the UIL compiler and should be used sparingly.
Alias	Indicates alternate class names for use in a UIL specification.
ConvenienceFunction	Indicates the name of the creation convenience function for this class. All widget and gadget classes must have ConvenienceFunction specified.
WidgetClass	Indicates the associated widget class of gadget type classes. This value is currently not recognized.
DocName	Defines an arbitrary string for use in the documentation. This value is currently not recognized.
DialogClass	Indicates whether the class is a dialog class. This value is currently not recognized.
Resources	Lists the resources of the widget class. This keyword can be further modified with the following:
Default	Specifies a new default value for this resource. Resource default values are usually set in the resource definition. If an inherited resource's default value is changed by the class, the new default value should be noted here.
Exclude	Specifies whether an inherited resource should be excluded from the resource list of the class. The default value is False.

Item	Description
Children	Lists the names of the automatically created children of this class. This allows those children to be accessed in the UIL file.
Controls	Lists the controls that the widget class allows. The controls can be other classes or a control list from the control definition list.

An example of the usage of the preceding data type and control list definitions is shown:

```

Class
    TopLevelWidget : MetaClass
    {
        Resources
        {
            XtbNfirstResource;
            XtbNsecondResource;
        };
    };

NewWidget : Widget
{
    SuperClass = TopLevelWidget;
    ConvenienceFunction =
        XtbCreateNewWidget;
    Resources
    {
        XtbNnewResource;
        XtbNfirstResource
            {Default="XtbNEW_VALUE";};
        XtbNsecondResource
            {Exclude=True;};
    };
    Controls
    {
        NewWidget;
        Buttons;
    };
};

```

Child Definitions

Child definitions register the classes of automatically created children. Automatically created children are referenced elsewhere in a UIL file using the **Children** keyword within a class definition. Child definitions have the following syntax:

Child *ChildName* : *ClassName*; [...]

ChildName is the name of the automatically created child and *ClassName* is the name of the class of that child.

Resource Definitions

Resource definitions describe a particular resource. Included in this description is its type and default value. Each new resource reference in a class definition should have a resource definition. Resource definitions have the following syntax:

Resource *ResourceName* : **Argument** | **Reason** | **Constraint** | **SubResource** [{ **Type** = *Type* ; | **ResourceLiteral** = *ResourceLiteral* ; | **InternalLiteral** = *InternalName* ; | **Alias** = *Alias* ; | **Related** = *Related* ; | **Default** = *Default* ; | **DocName** = *DocumentName* ; | [...] } [...]

Resource definitions start with the **Resource** keyword. For each resource definition, the name of the resource and whether the resource is an argument, reason, constraint, or subresource is listed.

Item	Description
Argument	Indicates a standard resource.
Reason	Indicates a callback resource.
Constraint	Indicates a constraint resource.

Item	Description
SubResource	This value is currently not recognized.

A resource definition can be modified with the following:

Item	Description
Type	Indicates the data type of the resource. The data type specified must be listed in the data type definition.
ResourceLiteral	Indicates the keyword used in the UIL file to reference the resource. In AIXwindows, the resource name is the same as the resource literal name (ResourceLiteral).
InternalLiteral	Forces the value of the internal symbol table literal definition of the resource name. This modifier is used only to circumvent symbol table definitions hard-coded into the UIL compiler and should be used sparingly.
Alias	Indicates alternate names for the resources used in a UIL specification.
Related	Special purpose field that allows resources that act as a counter for the current resources to be related to the resource. UIL automatically sets the value of this related resource to the number of items in the compiled instance of the <i>ResourceName</i> type.
Default	Indicates the default value of the resource.
DocName	Defines an arbitrary string for use in the documentation. This value is currently not recognized.

An example of the usage of data type, control list, and class definitions is shown:

```
Resource
  XtbNfirstResource : Argument
    { Type = OddNumber;
      Default = "XtbOLD_VALUE"; };
  XtbNsecondResource : Argument
    { Type = NewString;
      Default = "XtbNEW_STRING"; };
  XtbNnewResource : Argument
    { Type = OddNumber;
      Default = "XtbODD_NUMBER"; };
```

Related reference

[UIL File Format](#)

XCOFF Object File Format

Purpose

The extended common object file format (XCOFF) is the object file format for the operating system. XCOFF combines the standard common object file format (COFF) with the TOC module format concept, which provides for dynamic linking and replacement of units within an object file. A variation of XCOFF is used for 64-bit object files and executable files.

XCOFF is the formal definition of machine-image object and executable files. These object files are produced by language processors (assemblers and compilers) and the binder (or link editor), and are used primarily by the binder and the system loader.

The default name for an XCOFF executable file is **a.out**.

Note: This information lists bits in big-endian order.

Read the following information to learn more about XCOFF object files:

- [Composite File Header](#)
- [Sections and Section Headers](#)
- [Relocation Information for XCOFF File \(reloc.h\)](#)
- [Line Number Information for XCOFF File \(linenum.h\)](#)
- [Symbol Table Information](#)
- [dbx Stabstrings](#)

Writing Applications that Use XCOFF Declarations

Programs can be written to understand 32-bit XCOFF files, 64-bit XCOFF files, or both. The programs themselves may be compiled in 32-bit mode or 64-bit mode to create 32-bit or 64-bit programs. By defining preprocessor macros, applications can select the proper structure definitions from the XCOFF header files.

Note: This document uses "XCOFF32" and "XCOFF64" as shorthand for "32-bit XCOFF" and "64-bit XCOFF", respectively.

Selecting XCOFF32 Declarations

To select the XCOFF32 definitions, an application merely needs to include the appropriate header files. Only XCOFF32 structures, fields, and preprocessor defines will be included.

Selecting XCOFF64 Declarations

To select the XCOFF64 definitions, an application should define the preprocessor macro `__XCOFF64__`. When XCOFF header files are included, the structures, fields, and preprocessor defines for XCOFF64 will be included. Where possible, the structure names and field names are identical to the XCOFF32 names, but field sizes and offsets may differ.

Selecting Both XCOFF32 and XCOFF64 Declarations

To select structure definitions for both XCOFF32 and XCOFF64, an application should define both the preprocessor macros `__XCOFF32__` and `__XCOFF64__`. This will define structures for both kinds of XCOFF files. Structures and typedef names for XCOFF64 files will have the suffix "_64" added to them. (Consult the header files for details.)

Selecting Hybrid XCOFF Declarations

An application may choose to select single structures that contain field definitions for both XCOFF32 and XCOFF64 files. For fields that have the same size and offset in both XCOFF32 and XCOFF64 definitions, the field names are retained. For fields whose size or offset differ between XCOFF32 and XCOFF64 definitions, the XCOFF32 fields have a "32" suffix, while the XCOFF64 fields have a "64" suffix. To select hybrid structure definitions, an application should define the preprocessor macro `__XCOFF_HYBRID__`. For example, the symbol table definition (in `/usr/include/syms.h`) will have the name `n_offset32` used for the `n_offset` field for XCOFF32, and the name `n_offset64` used for the `n_offset` field for XCOFF64.

Understanding XCOFF

Assemblers and compilers produce XCOFF object files as output. The binder combines individual object files into an XCOFF executable file. The system loader reads an XCOFF executable file to create an executable memory image of a program. The symbolic debugger reads an XCOFF executable file to provide symbolic access to functions and variables of an executable memory image.

An XCOFF file contains the following parts:

- A composite header consisting of:
 - A file header
 - An optional auxiliary header
 - Section headers, one for each of the file's raw-data sections
- Raw-data sections, at most one per section header

- Optional relocation information for individual raw-data sections
- Optional line number information for individual raw-data sections
- An optional symbol table
- An optional string table, which is used for all symbol names in XCOFF64 and for symbol names longer than 8 bytes in XCOFF32.

Not every XCOFF file contains every part. A minimal XCOFF file contains only the file header.

Object and Executable Files

XCOFF object files and executable files are similar in structure. An XCOFF executable file (or "module") must contain an auxiliary header, a loader section header, and a loader section.

The loader raw-data section contains information needed to dynamically load a module into memory for execution. Loading an XCOFF executable file into memory creates the following logical segments:

- A text segment (initialized from the `.text` section of the XCOFF file).
- A data segment, consisting of initialized data (initialized from the `.data` section of the XCOFF file) followed by uninitialized data (initialized to 0). The length of uninitialized data is specified in the `.bss` section header of the XCOFF file.

The XCOFF file Organization illustrates the structure of the XCOFF object file.

XCOFF Header Files

The **xcoff.h** file defines the structure of the XCOFF file. The **xcoff.h** file includes the following files:

Item	Description
filehdr.h	Defines the file header.
aouthdr.h	Defines the auxiliary header.
scnhdr.h	Defines the section headers.
loader.h	Defines the format of raw data in the <code>.loader</code> section.
typchk.h	Defines the format of raw data in the <code>.typchk</code> section.
exceptab.h	Defines the format of raw data in the <code>.except</code> section.
debug.h	Defines the format of raw data in the <code>.debug</code> section.
reloc.h	Defines the relocation information.
linenum.h	Defines the line number information.
syms.h	Defines the symbol table format.
storclass.h	Defines ordinary storage classes.
dbxstclass.h	Defines storage classes used by the symbolic debuggers.

The **a.out.h** file includes the **xcoff.h** file. All of the XCOFF include files include the **xcoff32_64.h** file.

For more information on sections of the XCOFF object file, see ["Sections and Section Headers."](#) For more information on the symbol table, see ["Symbol Table Information."](#) For more information on the string table, see ["String Table."](#) For more information on the Debug section, see ["Debug Section."](#)

Composite File Header

The following sections describe the XCOFF composite file header components:

- File Header (filehdr.h)
- [Auxiliary Header](#) (aouthdr.h)
- [Section Headers](#) (scnhdr.h)

File Header (filehdr.h)

The **filehdr.h** file defines the file header of an XCOFF file. The file header is 20 bytes long in XCOFF32 and 24 bytes long in XCOFF64. The structure contains the fields shown in the following table.

Table 12. File Header Structure (Defined in filehdr.h)

Field Name and Description	XCOFF32	XCOFF64
f_magic Target machine	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Offset: 0• Length: 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Offset: 0• Length: 2
f_nscns Number of sections	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Offset: 2• Length: 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Offset: 2• Length: 2
f_timdat Time and date of file creation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Offset: 4• Length: 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Offset: 4• Length: 4
f_symptr ⁺ Byte offset to symbol table start	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Offset: 8• Length: 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Offset: 8• Length: 8
f_nsyms ⁺ Number of entries in symbol table	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Offset: 12• Length: 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Offset: 20• Length: 4
f_opthdr Number of bytes in optional header	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Offset: 16• Length: 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Offset: 16• Length: 2
f_flags Flags (see "Field Definitions")	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Offset: 18• Length: 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Offset: 18• Length: 2

Note: + Use "32" or "64" suffix when **__XCOFF_HYBRID__** is defined.

Field Definitions

Item	Description
f_magic	Specifies an integer known as the <i>magic number</i> , which specifies the target machine and environment of the object file. For XCOFF32, the only valid value is 0x01DF (0737 Octal). For XCOFF64 the only valid value is 0x01F7 (0767 Octal). Symbolic names for these values are found in the file, /usr/include/filehdr.h .
f_nscns	Specifies the number of section headers contained in the file. The first section header is section header number one; all references to a section are one-based.
f_timdat	Specifies when the file was created (number of elapsed seconds since 00:00:00 Universal Coordinated Time (UCT), January 1, 1970). This field should specify either the actual time or be set to a value of 0.
f_symptr	Specifies a file pointer (byte offset from the beginning of the file) to the start of the symbol table. If the value of the f_nsyms field is 0, then f_symptr is undefined.
f_nsyms	Specifies the number of entries in the symbol table. Each symbol table entry is 18 bytes long.
f_opthdr	Specifies the length, in bytes, of the auxiliary header. For an XCOFF file to be executable, the auxiliary header must exist and be _AOUTHSZ_EXEC bytes long. (_AOUTHSZ_EXEC is defined in aouthdr.h .)

Item	Description
<code>f_flags</code>	Specifies a bit mask of flags that describe the type of the object file. The following information defines the flags:
Bit Mask	Flag
0x0001	<code>F_RELFLG</code> Indicates that the relocation information for binding has been removed from the file. This flag must not be set by compilers, even if relocation information was not required.
0x0002	<code>F_EXEC</code> Indicates that the file is executable. No unresolved external references exist.
0x0004	<code>F_LNNO</code> Indicates that line numbers have been stripped from the file by a utility program. This flag is not set by compilers, even if no line-number information has been generated.
0x0008	Reserved.
0x0010	<code>F_FDPR_PROF</code> Indicates that the file was profiled with the <code>fdpr</code> command.
0x0020	<code>F_FDPR_OPTI</code> Indicates that the file was reordered with the <code>fdpr</code> command.
0x0040	<code>F_DSA</code> Indicates that the file uses Very Large Program Support.
0x0080	Reserved.
0x0100	<code>F_VARPG</code> Indicates that one of the members of the auxiliary header specifying the medium page sizes is non-zero. By default, the value of this bit is always zero.
0x0200	Reserved.
0x0400	Reserved.
0x0800	Reserved.
0x1000	<code>F_DYNLOAD</code> Indicates the file is dynamically loadable and executable. External references are resolved by way of imports, and the file might contain exports and loader relocation.
0x2000	<code>F_SHROBJ</code> Indicates the file is a shared object (shared library). The file is separately loadable. That is, it is not normally bound with other objects, and its loader exports symbols are used as automatic import symbols for other object files.
0x4000	<code>F_LOADONLY</code> If the object file is a member of an archive, it can be loaded by the system loader, but the member is ignored by the binder. If the object file is not in an archive, this flag has no effect.
0x8000	Reserved.

Auxiliary Header (aouthdr.h)

The auxiliary header contains system-dependent and implementation-dependent information, which is used for loading and executing a module. Information in the auxiliary header minimizes how much of the file must be processed by the system loader at execution time.

The binder generates an auxiliary header for use by the system loader. Auxiliary headers are not required for an object file that is not to be loaded. When auxiliary headers are generated by compilers and assemblers, the headers are ignored by the binder.

The auxiliary header immediately follows the file header.

Note: If the value of the `f_opthdr` field in the file header is 0, the auxiliary header does not exist.

The C language structure for the auxiliary header is defined in the **aouthdr.h** file. The auxiliary header contains the fields shown in the following table.

Table 13. Auxiliary Header Structure (Defined in *aouthdr.h*)

Field Name and Description	XCOFF32	XCOFF64
o_mflag Flags	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 0 • Length: 2 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 0 • Length: 2
o_vstamp Version	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 2 • Length: 2 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 2 • Length: 2
o_tsize⁺ Text size in bytes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 4 • Length: 4 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 56 • Length: 8
o_dsize⁺ Initialized data size in bytes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 8 • Length: 4 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 64 • Length: 8
o_bsize⁺ Uninitialized data size in bytes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 12 • Length: 4 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 72 • Length: 8
o_entry⁺ Entry point descriptor (virtual address)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 16 • Length: 4 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 80 • Length: 8
o_text_start⁺ Base address of text (virtual address)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 20 • Length: 4 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 8 • Length: 8
o_data_start⁺ Base address of data (virtual address)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 24 • Length: 4 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 16 • Length: 8
o_toc⁺ Address of TOC anchor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 28 • Length: 4 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 24 • Length: 8
o_sentry Section number for entry point	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 32 • Length: 2 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 32 • Length: 2
o_sntext Section number for .text	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 34 • Length: 2 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 34 • Length: 2
o_sndata Section number for .data	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 36 • Length: 2 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 36 • Length: 2
o_sntoc Section number for TOC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 38 • Length: 2 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 38 • Length: 2
o_snloader Section number for loader data	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 40 • Length: 2 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 40 • Length: 2
o_snbss Section number for .bss	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 42 • Length: 2 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 42 • Length: 2

Table 13. Auxiliary Header Structure (Defined in *aouthdr.h*) (continued)

Field Name and Description	XCOFF32	XCOFF64
o_algntext Maximum alignment for .text	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 44 • Length: 2 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 44 • Length: 2
o_algndata Maximum alignment for .data	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 46 • Length: 2 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 46 • Length: 2
o_modtype Module type field	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 48 • Length: 2 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 48 • Length: 2
o_cpuflag Bit flags - cpu types of objects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 50 • Length: 1 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 50 • Length: 1
o_cputype Reserved for CPU type	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 51 • Length: 1 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 51 • Length: 1
o_maxstack⁺ Maximum stack size allowed (bytes)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 52 • Length: 4 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 88 • Length: 8
o_maxdata⁺ Maximum data size allowed (bytes)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 56 • Length: 4 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 96 • Length: 8
o_debugger⁺ Reserved for debuggers.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 60 • Length: 4 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 4 • Length: 4
o_textsize⁺ Requested text page size.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 64 • Length: 1 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 52 • Length: 1
o_datasize⁺ Requested data page size.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 65 • Length: 1 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 53 • Length: 1
o_datasize⁺ Requested data page size.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 65 • Length: 1 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 53 • Length: 1
o_datasize⁺ Requested data page size.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 65 • Length: 1 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 53 • Length: 1
o_stacksize⁺ Requested stack page size.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 66 • Length: 1 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 53 • Length: 1
o_flags Flags and thread-local storage alignment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 67 • Length: 1 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 55 • Length: 1
o_sntdata Section number for .tdata	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 68 • Length: 2 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 104 • Length: 2

Table 13. Auxiliary Header Structure (Defined in *aouthdr.h*) (continued)

Field Name and Description	XCOFF32	XCOFF64
o_sntbss Section number for .tbss	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 70 • Length: 2 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 106 • Length: 2
o_x64flags XCOFF64 flags	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: N/A • Length: N/A 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 108 • Length: 2

Note: + Use "32" or "64" suffix when **__XCOFF_HYBRID__** is defined.

Field Definitions

The following information defines the auxiliary header fields. For entries with two labels, the label in parentheses is the alternate original COFF **a.out** file format name.

Item	Description
o_mflags (magic)	If the value of the o_vstamp field is greater than 1, the o_mflags field is reserved for future use and it should contain 0. Otherwise, this field is not used.
o_vstamp (vstamp)	Specifies the format version for this auxiliary header. The valid values are 1 and 2. When the o_vstamp field is 2 in an XCOFF32 file, the new interpretation of the n_type field in the symbol table entry is used.
o_tsize (tsize)	Specifies the size (in bytes) of the raw data for the .text section. The .text section typically contains the read-only part of the program. This is the same value as contained in the s_size field of the section header for the .text section.
o_dsize (dsize)	Specifies the size (in bytes) of the raw data for the .data section. The .data section contains the initialized data of the program and is writable. This is the same value as contained in the s_size field of the section header for the .data section.
o_bsize (bsize)	Specifies the size (in bytes) of .bss area, which is used for uninitialized variables during execution and is writable. No raw data exists in the file for the .bss section. This is the same value as contained in the s_size field of the section header for the .bss section.
o_entry (entry)	Specifies the virtual address of the entry point. (See the definition of the o_snentry field.) For application programs, this virtual address is the address of the function descriptor. The function descriptor contains the addresses of both the entry point itself and its TOC anchor. The offset of the entry point function descriptor from the beginning of its containing section can be calculated as follows: <div style="background-color: #f0f0f0; padding: 5px; margin: 5px 0;"> $\text{Section_offset_value} = \text{o_entry} - \text{s_paddr}[\text{o_snentry} - 1],$ </div> where s_paddr is the virtual address contained in the specified section header.
o_text_start (text_start)	Specifies the virtual address of the .text section. This is the address assigned to (that is, used for) the first byte of the .text raw-data section. This is the same value as contained in the s_paddr field of the section header for the .text section.

Item	Description
o_data_start (data_start)	Specifies the virtual address of the .data section. This is the address assigned to (that is, used for) the first byte of the .data raw-data section. This is the same value as contained in the s_paddr field of the section header for the .data section. For addressing purposes, the .bss section is considered to follow the .data section.
o_toc	Specifies the virtual address of the TOC anchor (see the definition of the o_sntoc field).
o_snentry	Specifies the number of the file section containing the entry-point. (This field contains a file section header sequence number.) The entry point must be in the .text or .data section.
o_sntext	Specifies the number of the file .text section. (This field contains a file section header sequence number.)
o_sndata	Specifies the number of the file .data section. (This field contains a file section header sequence number.)
o_sntoc	Specifies the number of the file section containing the TOC. (This field contains a file section header sequence number.)
o_snloader	Specifies the number of the file section containing the system loader information. (This field contains a file section header sequence number.)
o_snbss	Specifies the number of the file .bss section. (This field contains a file section header sequence number.)
o_algn_text	Specifies the log (base 2) of the maximum alignment needed for any csect in the .text section.
o_algn_data	Specifies the log (base 2) of the maximum alignment needed for any csect in the .data and .bss sections.
o_modtype	Specifies a module type. The value is an ASCII character string. The following module type is recognized by the system loader: RO Specifies a read-only module. If a shared object with this module type has no BSS section and only depends on other read-only modules, the data section of the module will be mapped read-only and shared by all processes using the object.
o_cpuflag	Bit flags - cputypes of objects.
o_cputype	Reserved. This byte must be set to 0.
o_maxstack	Specifies the maximum stack size (in bytes) allowed for this executable. If the value is 0, the system default maximum stack size is used.
o_maxdata	Specifies the maximum data size (in bytes) allowed for this executable. If the value is 0, the system default maximum data size is used.
o_debugger	This field should contain 0. When a loaded program is being debugged, the memory image of this field may be modified by a debugger to insert a trap instruction.
o_sntdata	Specifies the number of the .tdata file section. (This field contains a file section header sequence number.)
o_sntbss	Specifies the number of the .tbss file section. (This field contains a file section header sequence number.)

Item	Description										
o_flags	<p>Consists of four 1-bit flags and a 4-bit .tdata alignment:</p> <p>_AOUT_TLS_LE 0x80 (High-order bit of o_flags) Program uses local-exec model for thread-local storage. Such a program cannot be loaded dynamically.</p> <p>_AOUT_RAS 0x40 Indicates that a kernel extension is key and recovery safe.</p> <p>_AOUT_ALGNTDATA (Low-order 4 bits of o_flags) This field specifies the desired alignment of the module's thread-local storage. The value of this 4-bit number is interpreted as follows:</p> <table> <tr> <td>Bit 0-8</td><td>Log (base 2) of desired alignment</td></tr> <tr> <td>Bit 9-11</td><td>Reserved.</td></tr> <tr> <td>Bit 12</td><td>4KB page alignment</td></tr> <tr> <td>Bit 13</td><td>64KB page alignment</td></tr> <tr> <td>Bit 14-15</td><td>Reserved.</td></tr> </table>	Bit 0-8	Log (base 2) of desired alignment	Bit 9-11	Reserved.	Bit 12	4KB page alignment	Bit 13	64KB page alignment	Bit 14-15	Reserved.
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Bit 9-11	Reserved.										
Bit 12	4KB page alignment										
Bit 13	64KB page alignment										
Bit 14-15	Reserved.										
o_textsize	Specifies the size of pages for the exec text. The default value is 0 (system-selected page size).										
o_datapsize	Specifies the size of pages for the exec data. The default value is 0 (system-selected page size). The value of o_datapsize overrides the large page data request (by setting the F_LPDATA bit in the XCOFF file).										
o_stacksize	Specifies the size of pages for the stack. The default value is 0 (system-selected page size).										
o_x64flags	<p>Consists of 16 flag bits. This field only exists in the XCOFF64 definition.</p> <p>_AOUT_SHR_SYMTAB 0x8000 Requests the creation of shared symbol table be created for this program, which is used by all instances of the program on the system. This flag is ignored in a shared library.</p> <p>_AOUT_FORK_POLICY 0x4000 If the _AOUT_FORK_POLICY flag is set, an explicit forktree policy is requested. The _AOUT_FORK_COR flag determines which policy is requested. This flag is ignored in a shared library.</p> <p>_AOUT_FORK_COR 0x2000 If the _AOUT_FORK_POLICY and _AOUT_FORK_COR flags are both set, the copy-on-reference forktree policy is requested. If the _AOUT_FORK_POLICY flag is set but the _AOUT_FORK_COR flag is not set, the copy-on-write forktree policy is requested.</p> <p>If the _AOUT_FORK_POLICY is not set, the _AOUT_FORK_COR flag is reserved for future use and should be set to 0. This flag is ignored in a shared library.</p>										

In general, an object file might contain multiple sections of a given type, but in a loadable module, there must be exactly one .text, .data, .bss, and .loader section. A loadable object might also have one .tdata section and one .tbss section.

Section Headers (scnhdr.h)

Each section of an XCOFF file has a corresponding section header, although some section headers may not have a corresponding raw-data section. A section header provides identification and file-accessing information for each section contained within an XCOFF file. Each section header in an XCOFF32 file is 40 bytes long, while XCOFF64 section headers are 72 bytes long. The C language structure for a section header can be found in the **scnhdr.h** file. A section header contains the fields shown in the following table.

Table 14. Section Header Structure (Defined in *scnhdr.h*)

Field Name and Description	XCOFF32	XCOFF64
s_name Section name	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 0 • Length: 8 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 0 • Length: 8
s_paddr⁺ Physical address	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 8 • Length: 4 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 8 • Length: 8
s_vaddr⁺ Virtual address (same as physical address)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 12 • Length: 4 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 16 • Length: 8
s_size⁺ Section size	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 16 • Length: 4 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 24 • Length: 8
s_scnptr⁺ Offset in file to raw data for section	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 20 • Length: 4 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 32 • Length: 8
s_relptr⁺ Offset in file to relocation entries for section	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 24 • Length: 4 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 40 • Length: 8
s_lnnoptr⁺ Offset in file to line number entries for section	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 28 • Length: 4 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 48 • Length: 8
s_nreloc⁺ Number of relocation entries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 32 • Length: 2 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 56 • Length: 4
s_nlnno⁺ Number of line number entries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 34 • Length: 2 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 60 • Length: 4
s_flags⁺ Flags to define the section type	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 36 • Length: 2 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 64 • Length: 4

Note: + Use "32" or "64" suffix when **__XCOFF_HYBRID__** is defined.

Field Definitions

The following information defines the section header fields:

Item	Description
s_name	Specifies an 8-byte, null-padded section name. An 8-byte section name will not have a terminating null character. Use the s_flags field instead of the s_name field to determine a section type. Two sections of the same type may have different names, allowing certain applications to distinguish between them.
s_paddr	Specifies the physical address of the section. This is the address assigned and used by the compilers and the binder for the first byte of the section. This field should contain 0 for all sections except the .text, .data, and .bss sections.
s_vaddr	Specifies the virtual address of the section. This field has the same value as the s_paddr field.
s_size	Specifies the size (in bytes) of this section.
s_scnptr	Specifies a file pointer (byte offset from the beginning of the file) to this section's raw data. If this field contains 0, this section has no raw data. Otherwise, the size of the raw data must be contained in the s_size field.

Item	Description
s_relptr	Specifies a file pointer (byte offset from the beginning of the file) to the relocation entries for this section. If this section has no relocation entries, this field must contain 0.
s_lnnoptr	Specifies a file pointer (byte offset from the beginning of the file) to the line number entries for this section. If this section has no line number entries, this field must contain 0.
s_nreloc	Specifies the number of relocation entries for this section. In an XCOFF32 file, if more than 65,534 relocation entries are required, the field value will be 65535, and an STYP_OVRFLO section header will contain the actual count of relocation entries in the s_paddr field. Refer to the discussion of overflow headers in "Sections and Section Headers" . If this field is set to 65535, the s_nlnno field must also be set to 65535.
s_nlnno	Specifies the number of line number entries for this section. In an XCOFF32 file, if more than 65,534 line number entries are required, the field value will be 65535, and an STYP_OVRFLO section header will contain the actual number of line number entries in the s_vaddr field. Refer to the discussion of overflow headers in "Sections and Section Headers" . If this field is set to 65535, the s_nreloc field must also be set to 65535.

Item

s_flags

Description

Specifies flags defining the section type. A section type identifies the contents of a section and specifies how the section is to be processed by the binder of the system loader. The **s_flags** field consists of two 16-bit fields. The low-order 16 bits specify the primary section type. Only a single bit should be set in the low-order 16 bits. The high-order 16-bits specify a section subtype. For a primary section type without subtypes, the high-order 16 bits should be 0.

Note: The **strip** command logically deletes a section header by setting the **s_flags** field to -1.

Valid bit values are:

Value

Flag

0x0000

Reserved.

0x0001

Reserved.

0x0002

Reserved.

0x0004

Reserved.

0x0008

STYP_PAD

Specifies a pad section. A section of this type is used to provide alignment padding between sections within an XCOFF executable object file. This section header type is obsolete since padding is allowed in an XCOFF file without a corresponding pad section header.

0x0010

STYP_DWARF

Specifies a DWARF debugging section, which provide source file and symbol information for the symbolic debugger.

There are multiple types of DWARF sections defined. The type of a DWARF section is specified with the high-order 16 bits of the **s_flags** field. Valid subtypes are:

Value	Macro	Description
0x10000	SSUBTYP_DWINFO	DWARF info section
0x20000	SSUBTYP_DWLINE	DWARF line-number section
0x30000	SSUBTYP_DWPBNMS	DWARF public names section
0x40000	SSUBTYP_DWPBTYP	DWARF public types section
0x50000	SSUBTYP_DWARNGE	DWARF aranges section
0x60000	SSUBTYP_DWABREV	DWARF abbreviation section
0x70000	SSUBTYP_DWSTR	DWARF strings section
0x80000	SSUBTYP_DWRNGES	DWARF ranges section
0x90000	SSUBTYPE_DWLOC	DWARF location lists section
0xA0000	SSUBTYPE_DWFRAME	DWARF frames section
0xB0000	SSUBTYPE_DWMAC	DWARF macros section

0x0020

STYP_TEXT

Specifies an executable text (code) section. A section of this type contains the executable instructions of a program.

0x0040

STYP_DATA

Specifies an initialized data section. A section of this type contains the initialized data and the TOC of a program.

0x0080

STYP_BSS

Specifies an uninitialized data section. A section header of this type defines the uninitialized data of a program.

0x0100

STYP_EXCEPT

Specifies an exception section. A section of this type provides information to identify the reason that a trap or exception occurred within an executable object program.

Item	Description
	0x0200 STYP_INFO <p>Specifies a comment section. A section of this type provides comments or data to special processing utility programs.</p>
	0x0400 STYP_TDATA <p>Specifies an initialized thread-local data section.</p>
	0x0800 STYP_TBSS <p>Specifies an uninitialized thread-local data section.</p>
s_flags continued	Valid bit values are: Value Flag 0x1000 STYP_LOADER <p>Specifies a loader section. A section of this type contains object file information for the system loader to load an XCOFF executable. The information includes imported symbols, exported symbols, relocation data, type-check information, and shared object names.</p>
	0x2000 STYP_DEBUG <p>Specifies a debug section. A section of this type contains stabstring information used by the symbolic debugger.</p>
	0x4000 STYP_TYPCHK <p>Specifies a type-check section. A section of this type contains parameter/argument type-check strings used by the binder.</p>
	0x8000 STYP_OVRFLO <p>Note: An XCOFF64 file may not contain an overflow section header.</p> <p>Specifies a relocation or line-number field overflow section. A section header of this type contains the count of relocation entries and line number entries for some other section. This section header is required when either of the counts exceeds 65,534. See the s_nreloc and s_nlnno fields in "Sections and Section Headers" for more information on overflow headers.</p>

Sections and Section Headers

Section headers are defined to provide a variety of information about the contents of an XCOFF file. Programs that process XCOFF files will recognize only some of the valid sections.

See the following information to learn more about XCOFF file sections:

- [Loader Section \(loader.h\)](#)
- [Debug Section](#)
- [Type-Check Section](#)
- [Exception Section](#)

- Comment Section

Current applications do not use the `s_name` field to determine the section type. Nevertheless, conventional names are used by system tools, as shown in the following table.

Table 15. Conventional Header Names

Description	Multiple Allowed?	s_flag (and its conventional name)
Text section	Yes	STYP_TEXT (.text)
Data section	Yes	STYP_DATA (.data)
BSS section	Yes	STYP_BSS (.bss)
Pad section	Yes	STYP_PAD (.pad)
Loader section	No	STYP_LOADER (.loader)
Debug section	No	STYP_DEBUG (.debug)
Type-check section	Yes	STYP_TYPCHK (.typchk)
Exception section	No	STYP_EXCEPT (.except)
Overflow section	Yes (one per .text or .data section)	STYP_OVRFLO (.ovrflo)
Comment section	Yes	STYP_INFO (.info)
Tdata section	Yes	STYP_TDATA (.tdata)
TBSS section	Yes	STYP_TBSS (.tbss)
DWARF section	Yes	STYP_DWARF SSUBTYPE_DWINFO (.dwinfo) SSUBTYPE_DWLINE (.dwline) SSUBTYPE_DWPBNMS (.dwpbnms) SSUBTYPE_DWBTP (.dwpbtyp) SSUBTYPE_DWARNGE (.dwarange) SSUBTYPE_DWABREV (.dwabrev) SSUBTYPE_DWSTR (.dwstr) SSUBTYPE_DWRNGES (.dwringes) SSUBTYPE_DWLOC (.dwloc) SSUBTYPE_DWFRAME (.dwframe) SSUBTYPE_DWMAC (.dwmac)

Some fields of a section header may not always be used, or may have special usage. This pertains to the following fields:

Item	Description
<code>s_name</code>	On input, ignored by the binder and system loader. On output, the conventional names (shown in the "Conventional Header Names" table) are used.
<code>s_scnptr</code>	Ignored for .bss sections.
<code>s_relptr</code>	Recognized for the .text , .data , .tdata, and STYP_DWARF sections only.
<code>s_lnnoptr</code>	Recognized for the .text section only. Otherwise, it must be 0.

Item	Description
s_nreloc , s_nlnno	<p>Handles relocation or line-number field overflows in an XCOFF32 file. (XCOFF64 files may not have overflow section headers.) If a section has more than 65,534 relocation entries or line number entries, both of these fields are set to a value of 65535. In this case, an overflow section header with the s_flags field equal to STYP_OVRFLO is used to contain the relocation and line-number count information. The fields in the overflow section header are defined as follows:</p> <p>s_nreloc Specifies the file section number of the section header that overflowed; that is, the section header containing a value of 65535 in its s_nreloc and s_nlnno fields. This value provides a reference to the primary section header. This field must have the same value as the s_nlnno field.</p> <p>Note: There is no reference in the primary section header that identifies the appropriate overflow section header. All the section headers must be searched to locate an overflow section header that contains the correct primary section header reference in this field.</p> <p>s_nlnno Specifies the file section number of the section header that overflowed. This field must have the same value as the s_nreloc field.</p> <p>s_paddr Specifies the number of relocation entries actually required. This field is used instead of the s_nreloc field of the section header that overflowed.</p> <p>s_vaddr Specifies the number of line-number entries actually required. This field is used instead of the s_nlnno field of the section header that overflowed.</p> <p>The s_size and s_scnptr fields have a value of 0 in an overflow section header. The s_relptr and s_lnnoptr fields must have the same values as in the corresponding primary section header.</p>

An XCOFF file provides special meaning to the following sections:

- The .text, .data, and .bss sections, and the optional .tdata and .tbss sections, define the memory image of the program. The relocation parts associated with the .text and .data sections contain the full binder relocation information so it can be used for replacement link editing. Only the .text section is associated with a line number part. The parts associated with the executable code are produced by the compilers and assemblers.
- The .pad section is defined as a null-filled, raw-data section that is used to align a subsequent section in the file on some defined boundary such as a file block boundary or a system page boundary. Padding is allowed in an XCOFF file without a corresponding section header so that the binder does not generate pad section headers.
- The .loader section is a raw-data section defined to contain the dynamic loader information. This section is generated by the binder and has its own self-contained symbol table and relocation table. There is no reference to this section from the XCOFF Symbol Table.
- The .debug section is a raw-data section defined to contain the stab (symbol table) or dictionary information required by the symbolic debugger.
- The .dwinfo, .dwline, .dwpbnms, .dwpbtyp, .dwarng, .dwabrev, .dwstr, and .dwinges sections are raw-data sections defined to contain symbol table and source file information for the symbolic debugger.
- The .typchk section is a raw-data section defined to contain parameter and argument type-checking strings.
- The .except section is a raw-data section defined to contain the exception tables used to identify the reasons for an exception in program execution.

- The `.info` comment section is a raw-data section defined to contain comments or data that are of significance to special processing utility programs.
- The `.debug`, `.except`, `.info`, and `.typchk` sections are produced by compilers and assemblers. References to these sections or to items within these sections are made from the XCOFF Symbol Table.

For more information on XCOFF file sections, see "[Loader Section \(loader.h\)](#)," "[Debug Section](#)," "[Type-Check Section](#)," "[Exception Section](#)," and "[Comment Section](#)."

Loader Section (loader.h)

The loader section contains information required by the system loader to load and relocate an executable XCOFF object. The loader section is generated by the binder. The loader section has an `s_flags` section type flag of **STYP_LOADER** in the XCOFF section header. By convention, `.loader` is the loader section name. The data in this section is not referenced by entries in the XCOFF symbol table.

The loader section consists of the following parts:

- Header fields
- Symbol table
- Relocation table
- Import file ID strings
- Symbol name string table

The C language structure for the loader section can be found in the **loader.h** file.

Loader Header Field Definitions

The following table describes the loader section's header field definitions.

Table 16. Loader Section Header Structure (Defined in loader.h)

Field Name and Description	XCOFF32	XCOFF64
l_version Loader section version number	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 0 • Length: 4 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 0 • Length: 4
l_nsyms Number of symbol table entries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 4 • Length: 4 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 4 • Length: 4
l_nreloc Number of relocation table entries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 8 • Length: 4 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 8 • Length: 4
l_istlen Length of import file ID string table	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 12 • Length: 4 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 12 • Length: 4
l_nimpid Number of import file IDs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 16 • Length: 4 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 16 • Length: 4
l_impoff⁺ Offset to start of import file IDs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 20 • Length: 4 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 24 • Length: 8
l_stlen⁺ Length of string table	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 24 • Length: 4 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 20 • Length: 4

Table 16. Loader Section Header Structure (Defined in loader.h) (continued)

Field Name and Description	XCOFF32	XCOFF64
l_stoff* Offset to start of string table	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 28 • Length: 4 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 32 • Length: 8
l_symoff Offset to start of symbol table	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: N/A • Length: N/A 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 40 • Length: 8
l_rldoff Offset to start of relocation entries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 36 • Length: 2 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 64 • Length: 4

Note: +Use "32" or "64" suffix when `__XCOFF_HYBRID__` is defined.

The following information defines the loader section's header fields:

Item	Description
<code>l_version</code>	Specifies the loader section version number. This value must be 1 for XCOFF32, 2 for XCOFF64.
<code>l_nsyms</code>	Specifies the number of symbol table entries in the loader section. This value is the actual count of symbol table entries contained in the loader section and does not include the three implicit entries for the <code>.text</code> , <code>.data</code> , and <code>.bss</code> symbol entries.
<code>l_nreloc</code>	Specifies the number of relocation table entries in the loader section.
<code>l_istlen</code>	Specifies the byte length of the import file ID string table in the loader section.
<code>l_nimpid</code>	Specifies the number of import file IDs in the import file ID string table.
<code>l_impoff</code>	Specifies the byte offset from beginning of the loader section to the first import file ID.
<code>l_stlen</code>	Specifies the length of the loader section string table.
<code>l_stoff</code>	Specifies the byte offset from beginning of the loader section to the first entry in the string table.
<code>l_symoff</code>	Specifies the byte offset from beginning of the loader section to the start of the loader symbol table (in XCOFF64 only).
<code>l_rldoff</code>	Specifies the byte offset from beginning of the loader section to the start of the loader section relocation entries (in XCOFF64 only).

Loader Symbol Table Field Definitions

The loader section symbol table contains the symbol table entries that the system loader needs for its import and export symbol processing and dynamic relocation processing.

The **loader.h** file defines the symbol table fields. Each entry is 24 bytes long.

There are five implicit external symbols, one each for the `.text`, `.data`, `.bss`, `.tdata`, and `.tbss` sections. These symbols are referenced from the relocation table entries using symbol table index values 0, 1, 2, -1, and -2, respectively.

Table 17. Loader Section Symbol Table Entry Structure

Field Name and Description	XCOFF32	XCOFF64
l_name* Symbol name or byte offset into string table	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 0 • Length: 8 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: N/A • Length: N/A

Table 17. Loader Section Symbol Table Entry Structure (continued)

Field Name and Description	XCOFF32	XCOFF64
l_zeroes⁺ Zero indicates symbol name is referenced from l_offset	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 0 • Length: 4 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: N/A • Length: N/A
l_offset⁺ Byte offset into string table of symbol name	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 4 • Length: 4 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 8 • Length: 4
l_value⁺ Address field	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 8 • Length: 4 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 0 • Length: 8
l_scnnum Section number containing symbol	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 12 • Length: 2 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 12 • Length: 2
l_smttype Symbol type, export, import flags	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 14 • Length: 1 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 14 • Length: 1
l_smclas Symbol storage class	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 15 • Length: 1 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 15 • Length: 1
l_ifile Import file ID; ordinal of import file IDs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 16 • Length: 4 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 16 • Length: 4
l_parm Parameter type-check field	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 20 • Length: 4 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 20 • Length: 4

Note: +Use "32" or "64" suffix when **__XCOFF_HYBRID__** is defined.

The symbol table fields are:

Item	Description
l_name	(XCOFF32 only) Specifies an 8-byte, null-padded symbol name if it is 8 bytes or less in length. Otherwise, the field is treated as the following two 4-byte integers for accessing the symbol name: l_zeroes (XCOFF32 only) A value of 0 indicates that the symbol name is in the loader section string table. This field overlays the first word of the l_name field. An l_name field having the first 4 bytes (first word) equal to 0 is used to indicate that the name string is contained in the string table instead of the l_name field. l_offset (XCOFF32 only) This field overlays the second word of the l_name field. The value of this field is the byte offset from the beginning of the loader section string table to the first byte of the symbol name (not its length field).
l_offset	(XCOFF64 only) This field has the same use as the l_offset field in XCOFF32.
l_value	Specifies the virtual address of the symbol
l_scnnum	Specifies the number of the XCOFF section that contains the symbol. If the symbol is undefined or imported, the section number is 0. Otherwise, the section number refers to the .text, .data, or .bss section. Section headers are numbered beginning with 1.

Item	Description
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l_smttype	Specifies the symbol type, import flag, export flag, and entry flag.
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Bits 0-4 are flag bits defined as follows:

Bit 0	0x80	Reserved.
Bit 1	0x40	Specifies an imported symbol.
Bit 2	0x20	Specifies an entry point descriptor symbol.
Bit 3	0x10	Specifies an exported symbol.
Bit 4	0x08	Specifies a weak symbol.
Bits 5-7	0x07	Symbol type--see below.

Bits 5-7 constitute a 3-bit symbol type field with the following definitions:

0

XTY_ER

Specifies an external reference providing a symbol table entry for an external (global) symbol contained in another XCOFF object file.

1

XTY_SD

Specifies the csect section definition, providing the definition of the smallest initialized unit within an XCOFF object file.

2

XTY_LD

Specifies the label definition, providing the definition of the global entry points for initialized csects. An uninitialized csect of type **XTY_CM** may not contain a label definition.

3

XTY_CM

Specifies a common (BSS uninitialized data) csect definition, providing the definition of the smallest uninitialized unit within an XCOFF object file.

4-7

Reserved.

l_smclas

Specifies the storage mapping class of the symbol, as defined in **syms.h** for the x_smclas field of the csect auxiliary symbol table entry. Values have the symbolic form XMC_xx, where xx is PR, RO, GL, XO, SV, SV64, SV3264, RW, TC, TD, DS, UA, BS, UC, TL, or UL. See ["csect Auxiliary Entry for the C_EXT, C_WEAKEXT, and C_HIDEXT Symbols"](#) for more information.

l_ifile

Specifies the import file ID string. This integer is the ordinal value of the position of the import file ID string in the import file ID name string table of the loader section. For an imported symbol, the value of 0 in this field identifies the symbol as a deferred import to the system loader. A deferred import is a symbol whose address can remain unresolved following the processing of the loader. If the symbol was not imported, this field must have a value of 0.

l_parm

Specifies the offset to the parameter type-check string. The byte offset is from the beginning of the loader section string table. The byte offset points to the first byte of the parameter type-check string (not to its length field). For more information on the parameter type-check string, see ["Type-Check Section"](#). A value of 0 in the l_parm field indicates that the parameter type-checking string is not present for this symbol, and the symbol will be treated as having a universal hash.

Loader Relocation Table Field Definitions

The Loader Section Relocation Table Structure contains all of the relocation information that the system loader needs to properly relocate an executable XCOFF file when it is loaded. The **loader.h** file defines the relocation table fields. Each entry in the loader section relocation table is 12 bytes long in XCOFF32, and 16 bytes long in XCOFF64. The `l_vaddr`, `l_symndx`, and `l_rtype` fields have the same meaning as the corresponding fields of the regular relocation entries, which are defined in the **reloc.h** file. For more information about relocation entries, see [Relocation Information for XCOFF File \(reloc.h\)](#).

Table 18. Loader Section Relocation Table Entry Structure

Field Name and Description	XCOFF32	XCOFF64
l_vaddr⁺ Address field	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 0 • Length: 4 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 0 • Length: 8
l_symndx⁺ Loader section symbol table index of referenced item	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 4 • Length: 4 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 12 • Length: 4
l_rtype Relocation type	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 4 • Length: 4 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 8 • Length: 4
l_value⁺ Address field	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 8 • Length: 2 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 8 • Length: 2
l_rsecnm File section number being relocated	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 10 • Length: 2 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 10 • Length: 2

Note: + Use "32" or "64" suffix when `__XCOFF_HYBRID__` is defined.

The **loader.h** file defines the following fields:

Name	Description
<code>l_vaddr</code>	Specifies the virtual address of the relocatable reference.
<code>l_symndx</code>	Specifies the loader section symbol table index (<i>n</i> -th entry) of the symbol that is being referenced. Values 0, 1, and 2 are implicit references to <code>.text</code> , <code>.data</code> , and <code>.bss</code> sections, respectively. Symbol index 3 is the index for the first symbol actually contained in the loader section symbol table. Note: A reference to an exported symbol can be made using the symbol's section number (symbol number 0, 1, or 2) or using the actual number of the exported symbol.
<code>l_rtype</code>	Specifies the relocation size and type. (This field has the same interpretation as the <code>r_type</code> field in the reloc.h file.) For more information about relocation entries, see Relocation Information for XCOFF File (reloc.h) .
<code>l_rsecnm</code>	Specifies the section number of the sections being relocated. This is a one-based index into the section headers.

Loader Import File ID Name Table Definition

The loader section import file ID name strings of a module provide a list of dependent modules that the system loader must load in order for the module to load successfully. However, this list does not contain the names of modules that the named modules depend on.

Table 19. Loader Section Import File IDs - Contains Variable Length Strings

Offset	Length in Bytes	Name and Description
0	$n1$	$l_impidpath$ Import file ID path string, null-delimited
$n1 + 1$	$n2$	$l_impidbase$ Import file ID base string, null-delimited
$n1 + n2 + 2$	$n3$	$l_impidmem$ Import file ID member string, null-delimited Fields repeat for each string.

Each import file ID name consists of three null-delimited strings.

The first import file ID is a default **LIBPATH** value to be used by the system loader. The **LIBPATH** information consists of file paths separated by colons. There is no base name or archive member name, so the file path is followed by three null bytes.

Each entry in the import file ID name table consists of:

- Import file ID path name
- Null delimiter (ASCII null character)
- Import file ID base name
- Null delimiter
- Import file ID archive-file-member name
- Null delimiter

For example:

/usr/lib\0mylib.a\0shr.o\0

Loader String Table Definition

The loader section string table contains the parameter type-checking strings, all symbols names for an XCOFF64 file, and the names of symbols longer than 8 bytes for an XCOFF32 file. Each string consists of a 2-byte length field followed by the string.

Table 20. Loader Section String Table

Offset	Length in Bytes	Description
0	2	Length of string.
2	n	Symbol name string (null-delimited) or parameter type string (not null-delimited). Fields repeat for each string.

Symbol names are null-terminated. The value in the length-field includes the length of the string plus the length of the null terminator but does not include the length of the length field itself.

The parameter type-checking strings contain binary values and are not null-terminated. The value in the length field includes the length of the string only but does not include the length of the length field itself.

The symbol table entries of the loader section contain a byte offset value that points to the first byte of the string instead of to the length field.

Loader Section Header Contents

The contents of the section header fields for the loader section are:

Name	Contents
s_name	.loader
s_paddr	0
s_vaddr	0
s_size	The size (in bytes) of the loader section
s_scnptr	Offset from the beginning of the XCOFF file to the first byte of the loader section data
s_relptr	0
s_innptr	0
s_nreloc	0
s_nlnno	0
s_flags	STYP_LOADER

For general information on the XCOFF file format, see ["XCOFF Object File Format."](#)

For more information on XCOFF file sections, see ["Sections and Section Headers,"](#) ["Debug Section,"](#) ["Type-Check Section,"](#) ["Exception Section,"](#) and ["Comment Section."](#)

Debug Section

The debug section contains the symbolic debugger stabstrings (symbol table strings). It is generated by the compilers and assemblers. It provides symbol attribute information for use by the symbolic debugger. The debug section has a section type flag of **STYP_DEBUG** in the XCOFF section header. By convention, `.debug` is the debug section name. The data in this section is referenced from entries in the XCOFF symbol table. A stabstring is a null-terminated character string. Each string is preceded by a 2-byte length field in XCOFF32 or a 4-byte length field in XCOFF64.

Field Definitions

The following two fields are repeated for each symbolic debugger stabstring:

- A 2-byte (XCOFF32) or 4-byte (XCOFF64) length field containing the length of the string. The value contained in the length field includes the length of the terminating null character but does not include the length of the length field itself.
- The symbolic debugger stabstring.

Refer to discussion of [symbolic debugger stabstring grammar](#) for the specific format of the stabstrings.

Debug Section Header Contents

The contents of the section header fields for the debug section are:

Name	Contents
s_name	.debug
s_paddr	0
s_vaddr	0
s_size	The size (in bytes) of the debug section
s_scnptr	Offset from the beginning of the XCOFF file to the first byte of the debug section data
s_relptr	0
s_innptr	0
s_nreloc	0

Name	Contents
s_nlnno	0
s_flags	STYP_DEBUG

For general information on the **XCOFF** file format, see ["XCOFF Object File Format."](#)

For more information on **XCOFF** file sections, see ["Sections and Section Headers,"](#) ["Debug Section,"](#) ["Type-Check Section,"](#) ["Exception Section,"](#) and ["Comment Section."](#)

DWARF Sections

The DWARF sections contain debugging information for the symbolic debugger. DWARF is an alternate debugging format used instead of debugger stabstrings. The contents of the various DWARF sections is described in the "DWARF Debugging Information Format" which can be obtained from www.dwarfstd.org.

All DWARF sections have a primary section type flag of **STYP_DWARF** in the XCOFF section header. Conventional sections names are listed in ["Conventional Header Names"](#).

DWARF Section Header Contents

The contents of the section header fields for the debug section are:

Name	Contents
s_name	Depends on s_flags
s_paddr	0
s_vaddr	0
s_size	The size (in bytes) of the section.
s_scnptr	Offset from the beginning of the XCOFF file to the first byte of the section data.
s_relptr	Offset from the beginning of the XCOFF file to the relocation entries for the section.
s_lnnoptr	0
s_nreloc	Number of relocation entries.
s_nlnno	0
s_flags	STYP_DWARF ored with a DWARF subtype value.

Type-Check Section

The type-check section contains the type-checking hash strings and is produced by compilers and assemblers. It is used by the binder to detect variable mismatches and argument interface errors when linking separately compiled object files. (The type-checking hash strings in the loader section are used to detect these errors prior to running a program.) The type-check section has a section type flag of **STYP_TYPCHK** in the **XCOFF** section header. By convention, `.typchk` is the type-check section name. The strings in this section are referenced from entries in the **XCOFF** symbol table.

Field Definitions

The following two fields are repeated for each parameter type-checking string:

- A 2-byte length field containing the length of the type-checking string. The value contained in the length field does not include the length of the length field itself.
- The parameter type-checking hash string.

Type Encoding and Checking Format for Data

The type-checking hash strings are used to detect errors prior to execution of a program. Information about all external symbols (data and functions) is encoded by the compilers and then checked for

consistency at bind time and load time. The type-checking strings are designed to enforce the maximum checking required by the semantics of each particular language supported, as well as provide protection to applications written in more than one language.

The type encoding and checking mechanism features 4-part hash encoding that provides some flexibility in checking. The mechanism also uses a unique value, UNIVERSAL, that matches any code. The UNIVERSAL hash can be used as an escape mechanism for assembly programs or for programs in which type information or subroutine interfaces might not be known. The UNIVERSAL hash is four blank ASCII characters (0x20202020) or four null characters (0x00000000).

The following fields are associated with the type encoding and checking mechanism:

Item	Description
code length	A 2-byte field containing the length of the hash. This field has a value of 10.
language identifier	A 2-byte code representing each language. These codes are the same as those defined for the e_lang field in the "Exception Section" information .
general hash	A 4-byte field representing the most general form by which a data symbol or function can be described. This form is the most common to languages supported by . If the information is incomplete or unavailable, a universal hash should be generated. The general hash is language-independent and must match for the binding to succeed.
language hash	A 4-byte field containing a more detailed, language-specific representation of what is in the general hash. It allows for the strictest type-checking required by a given language. This part is used in intra-language binding and is not checked unless both symbols have the same language identifier.

Section Header Contents

The contents of the section header fields for the type-check section are:

Name	Contents
s_name	.typchk
s_paddr	0
s_vaddr	0
s_size	The size (in bytes) of the type-check section
s_scnptr	Offset from the beginning of the XCOFF file to the first byte of the type-check section data
s_relptr	0
s_lnnoptr	0
s_nreloc	0
s_nlnno	0
s_flags	STYP_TYPCHK.

For general information on the **XCOFF** file format, see ["XCOFF Object File Format."](#)

For more information on **XCOFF** file sections, see ["Sections and Section Headers,"](#) ["Debug Section,"](#) ["Type-Check Section,"](#) ["Exception Section,"](#) and ["Comment Section."](#)

Exception Section

The exception section contains addresses of trap instructions, source language identification codes, and trap reason codes. This section is produced by compilers and assemblers, and used during or after run time to identify the reason that a specific trap or exception occurred. The exception section has a section

type flag of **STYP_EXCEPT** in the XCOFF section header. By convention, `.except` is the exception section name. Data in the exception section is referenced from entries in the XCOFF symbol table.

An exception table entry with a value of 0 in the `e_reason` field contains the symbol table index to a function's **C_EXT**, **C_WEAKEXT**, or **C_HIDEXT** symbol table entry. Reference from the symbol table to an entry in the exception table is via the function auxiliary symbol table entry. For more information on this entry, see ["csect Auxiliary Entry for C_EXT, C_WEAKEXT and C_HIDEXT Symbols."](#)

The C language structure for the exception section entries can be found in the **exceptab.h** file.

The exception section entries contain the fields shown in the following tables.

Table 21. Initial Entry: Exception Section Structure

Field Name and Description	XCOFF32	XCOFF64
e_addr.e_symndx⁺ Symbol table index for function	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 0 • Length: 4 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 0 • Length: 4
e_lang⁺ Compiler language ID code	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 4 • Length: 1 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 8 • Length: 1
e_reason⁺ Value 0 (exception reason code 0)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 5 • Length: 1 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 9 • Length: 1

Note: +Use "32" or "64" suffix when **__XCOFF_HYBRID__** is defined. With `e_addr.e_symndx`, the suffix is added to `e_addr` (i.e. `e_addr32.e_symndx`).

Table 22. Subsequent Entry: Exception Section Structure

Field Name and Description	XCOFF32	XCOFF64
e_addr.e_paddr⁺ Address of the trap instruction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 0 • Length: 4 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 0 • Length: 8
e_lang⁺ Compiler language ID code	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 4 • Length: 1 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 8 • Length: 1
e_reason⁺ Trap exception reason code	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 5 • Length: 1 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 9 • Length: 1

Note: +Use "32" or "64" suffix when **__XCOFF_HYBRID__** is defined. With `e_addr.e_paddr`, the suffix is added to `e_addr` (i.e. `e_addr32.e_paddr`).

Field Definitions

The following defines the fields listed of the exception section:

Item	Description
<code>e_symndx</code>	Contains an integer (overlays the <code>e_paddr</code> field). When the <code>e_reason</code> field is 0, this field is the symbol table index of the function.
<code>e_paddr</code>	Contains a virtual address (overlays the <code>e_symndx</code> field). When the <code>e_reason</code> field is nonzero, this field is the virtual address of the trap instruction.

Item	Description
e_lang	Specifies the source language. The following list defines the possible values of the e_lang field. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ID <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Language 0x00 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> C 0x01 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> FORTRAN 0x02 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pascal 0x03 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ada 0x04 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> PL/I 0x05 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> BASIC 0x06 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lisp 0x07 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> COBOL 0x08 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Modula2 0x09 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> C++ 0x0A <ul style="list-style-type: none"> RPG 0x0B <ul style="list-style-type: none"> PL8, PLIX 0x0C <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assembly 0x0D-0xFF <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reserved
e_reason	Specifies an 8-bit, compiler-dependent trap exception reason code. Zero is not a valid trap exception reason code because it indicates the start of exception table entries for a new function.

Section Header Contents

The following fields are the contents of the section header fields for the exception section.

Name	Contents
s_name	.except
s_paddr	0
s_vaddr	0
s_size	The size (in bytes) of the exception section
s_scnptr	Offset from the beginning of the XCOFF file to the first byte of the exception section data
s_relptr	0

Name	Contents
s_inno_ptr	0
s_nreloc	0
s_nlnno	0
s_flags	STYP_EXCEPT

For general information on the **XCOFF** file format, see ["XCOFF Object File Format."](#)

For more information on **XCOFF** file sections, see ["Sections and Section Headers,"](#) ["Debug Section,"](#) ["Type-Check Section,"](#) ["Exception Section,"](#) and ["Comment Section."](#)

Comment Section

The comment section contains information of special processing significance to an application. This section can be produced by compilers and assemblers and used during or after run time to fulfill a special processing need of an application. The comment section has a section type flag of **STYP_INFO** in the **XCOFF** section header. By convention, `.info` is the comment section name. Data in the comment section is referenced from **C_INFO** entries in the **XCOFF** symbol table.

The contents of a comment section consists of repeated instances of a 4-byte length field followed by a string of bytes (containing any binary value). The length of each string is stored in its preceding 4-byte length field. The string of bytes need not be terminated by a null character nor by any other special character. The specified length does not include the length of the length field itself. A length of 0 is allowed. The format of the string of bytes is not specified.

A comment section string is referenced from an entry in the **XCOFF** symbol table. The storage class of the symbol making a reference is **C_INFO**. See ["Symbol Table Field Contents by Storage Class"](#) for more information.

A **C_INFO** symbol is associated with the nearest **C_FILE**, **C_EXT**, **C_WEAKEXT**, or **C_HIDEXT** symbol preceding it.

Section Header Contents

The following fields are the contents of the section header fields for the comment section.

Name	Contents
s_name	.info
s_paddr	0
s_vaddr	0
s_size	The size (in bytes) of the comment section
s_scnptr	Offset from the beginning of the XCOFF file to the first byte of the comment section data
s_relptr	0
s_inno_ptr	0
s_nreloc	0
s_nlnno	0
s_flags	STYP_INFO

For general information on the **XCOFF** file format, see ["XCOFF Object File Format."](#)

For more information on **XCOFF** file sections, see ["Sections and Section Headers,"](#) ["Debug Section,"](#) ["Type-Check Section,"](#) ["Exception Section,"](#) and ["Comment Section."](#)

Relocation Information for XCOFF File (reloc.h)

Some sections have relocation information. The `s_relptr` field in the section header specifies the file offset to the relocation entries for the section. The binder uses the relocation information to modify address constants and other relocatable values when individual XCOFF object files are linked to create an XCOFF executable file.

Compilers and assemblers generate the relocation entries for the information for sections. The binder generates relocation information contained in the `.loader` section, as required by the system loader.

Each relocation entry is 10 bytes long (14 for XCOFF64). (A relocation entry in the `.loader` section is 12 bytes long (16 for XCOFF64) and is explained in the loader section description in this document. See "Relocation Table Field Definitions" for more information.) You can find the C language structure for a relocation entry in the **reloc.h** file. A relocation entry contains the fields shown in the following table.

Table 23. Relocation Entry Structure

Field Name and Description	XCOFF32	XCOFF64
r_vaddr⁺ Virtual address (position) in section to be relocated	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Offset: 0• Length: 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Offset: 0• Length: 8
r_symndx⁺ Symbol table index of item that is referenced	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Offset: 4• Length: 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Offset: 8• Length: 4
r_rsize⁺ Relocation size and information	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Offset: 8• Length: 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Offset: 12• Length: 1
r_rtype⁺ Relocation type	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Offset: 9• Length: 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Offset: 13• Length: 1

Note: +Use "32" or "64" suffix when `__XCOFF_HYBRID__` is defined.

The relocation entries for a section must be in ascending address order.

(The loader section contains a single set of relocation entries used by the system loader; so a section number is required within each relocation entry to identify the section that needs to be modified.)

Field Definitions

The following defines the relocation-information fields:

Item	Description
<code>r_vaddr</code>	Specifies the virtual address of the value that requires modification by the binder. The byte offset value to the data that requires modification from the beginning of the section that contains the data can be calculated as follows: $\text{offset_in_section} = \text{r_vaddr} - \text{s_paddr}$
<code>r_symndx</code>	Specifies a zero-based index into the XCOFF symbol table for locating the referenced symbol. The symbol table entry contains an address used to calculate a modification value to be applied at the <code>r_vaddr</code> relocation address.
<code>r_rsize</code>	Specifies the relocation size and sign. Its contents are detailed in the following list: 0x80 (1 bit) Indicates whether the relocation reference is signed (1) or unsigned (0). 0x40 (1 bit) If this field is one, it indicates that the binder replaced the original instruction with a modified instruction. 0x3F (6 bits) Specifies the bit length of the relocatable reference minus one. The current architecture allows for fields of up to 32 bits (XCOFF32) or 64 bits (XCOFF64) to be relocated.

Item	Description
<code>r_rtype</code>	<p>Specifies an 8-bit relocation type field that indicates to the binder which relocation algorithm to use for calculating the modification value. This value is applied at the relocatable reference location specified by the <code>r_vaddr</code> field. The following relocation types are defined:</p> <p>0x00 R_POS</p> <p>Specifies positive relocation. Provides the address of the symbol specified by the <code>r_symndx</code> field.</p> <p>0x01 R_NEG</p> <p>Specifies negative relocation. Provides the negative of the address of the symbol specified by the <code>r_symndx</code> field.</p> <p>0x02 R_REL</p> <p>Specifies relative-to-self relocation. Provides a displacement value between the address of the symbol specified by the <code>r_symndx</code> field and the address of the csect to be modified.</p> <p>0x03 R_TOC</p> <p>Specifies a relocation that is relative to TOC. Provides a displacement value that is the difference between the address value in the symbol specified by the <code>r_symndx</code> field and the address of the TOC anchor csect. The TOC anchor csect is a symbol with storage-mapping class defined as XMC_TC0 and with a length of 0. At most, one TOC anchor csect is allowed per XCOFF section.</p> <p>A link editor is allowed to transform the instruction referenced by the <code>r_vaddr</code> field. The symbol specified by the <code>r_symndx</code> field is a TOC symbol if its storage-mapping class is XMC_TC, and the TOC symbol contains the address of another symbol that is within 32,768 bytes of the TOC anchor or the thread-local storage base. Therefore, if the referenced instruction is a load, and the symbol specified by the <code>r_symndx</code> field is a TOC symbol, the load can be converted in to an add-immediate instruction. This transformation eliminates a storage reference during execution. If the instruction is transformed, the R_TOC relocation type is replaced by a R_TRLA relocation type when the output file is written. This enables a reverse transformation if the object is re-linked.</p> <p>0x04 R_TRL</p> <p>Specifies a relocation that is relative to TOC. This relocation entry is treated the same as an R_TOC relocation entry, except that link editors are not allowed to convert the instruction from a load to an add-immediate instruction.</p> <p>0x13 R_TRLA</p> <p>Specifies a relocation that is either relative to TOC or relative to the thread-local storage base. The instruction specified by the <code>r_vaddr</code> field is an add-immediate instruction, and the symbol specified by the <code>r_symndx</code> field must be a TOC symbol, which means that its storage-mapping class is XMC_TC. This instruction is previously transformed by a link editor from a load instruction into an add-immediate instruction. The link editor transforms the instruction back into a load instruction, and changes the relocation type from R_TRLA to R_TOC. The instruction can be transformed again as described for the R_TOC relocation entry.</p> <p>Compilers are not permitted to generate this relocation type.</p>

Item	Description
<code>r_rtype</code> continued	<p>0x05 <code>R_GL</code></p> <p>Specifies Global Linkage-External TOC address relocation. Provides the address of the TOC associated with a defined external symbol. The external symbol with the required TOC address is specified by the <code>r_symndx</code> field of the relocation entry. This relocation entry provides a method of accessing the address of the TOC contained within the same executable where the <code>r_symndx</code> external symbol is defined.</p> <p>0x06 <code>R_TCL</code></p> <p>Specifies local object TOC address relocation. Provides the address of the TOC associated with a defined external symbol. The external symbol for which the TOC address is required is specified by the <code>r_symndx</code> field of the relocation entry. The external symbol is defined locally within the resultant executable. This relocation entry provides a method of accessing the address of the TOC contained within the same executable where the <code>r_symndx</code> external symbol is defined.</p> <p>0x0C <code>R_RL</code></p> <p>Treated the same as the R_POS relocation type.</p> <p>0x0D <code>R_RLA</code></p> <p>Treated the same as the R_POS relocation type.</p> <p>0x0F <code>R_REF</code></p> <p>Specifies a nonrelocating reference to prevent garbage collection (by the binder) of a symbol. This relocation type is intended to provide compilers and assemblers a method to specify that a given csect has a dependency upon another csect without using any space in the actual csect. The reason for making the dependency reference is to prevent the binder from garbage-collecting (eliminating) a csect for which another csect has an implicit dependency.</p> <p>0x08 <code>R_BA</code></p> <p>Treated the same as the R_RBA relocation type.</p> <p>0x18 <code>R_RBA</code></p> <p>Specifies branch absolute relocation. Provides the address of the symbol specified by the <code>r_symndx</code> field as the target address of a branch instruction. The instruction can be modified to a (relative) branch instruction if the target address is relocatable.</p> <p>0x0A <code>R_BR</code></p> <p>Treated the same as the R_RBR relocation type.</p> <p>0x1A <code>R_RBR</code></p> <p>Specifies (relative) branch relocation. Provides a displacement value between the address of the symbol specified by the <code>r_symndx</code> field and the address of the csect containing the branch instruction to be modified. The instruction can be modified to an absolute branch instruction if the target address is not relocatable.</p> <p>The R_RBR relocation type is the standard branch relocation type used by compilers and assemblers for the . This relocation type along with glink code allows an executable object file to have a text section that is position-independent.</p>

Item	Description
<code>r_rtype</code> continued	<p>0x20 <code>R_TLS</code></p> <p>Specifies thread-local storage relocation, using the general-dynamic model. Provides an offset into the thread-local storage for the module.</p> <p>0x21 <code>R_TLS_IE</code></p> <p>Same as R_TLS, except that the initial-exec model is used. That is, the referenced symbol must be exported by the main program or a module that is loaded at exec time.</p> <p>0x22 <code>R_TLS_LD</code></p> <p>Same as R_TLS, except that the local-dynamic model is used. That is, the referenced symbol must be in the referencing module.</p> <p>0x23 <code>R_TLS_LE</code></p> <p>Same as R_TLS, except that local-exec model is used. That is, both the reference and the referenced symbol must be in the main program.</p> <p>0x24 <code>R_TLSM</code></p> <p>Specifies thread-local storage relocation. Provides a handle for the thread-local storage of the referenced variable. The handle is used by the pthread runtime to locate the thread-local storage.</p> <p>0x25 <code>R_TLSQL</code></p> <p>Specifies thread-local storage relocation. Provides a handle for the module containing the reference. The <code>r_symndx</code> field must specify the symbol table index of the csect symbol containing the reference.</p> <p>0x30 <code>R_TOCU</code></p> <p>Specifies the high-order 16 bits of a TOC-relative relocation. Similar to the <code>R_TOC</code> relocation, a displacement value is computed. The displacement value is the difference between the address value in the symbol that the <code>r_symndx</code> field specifies and the address of the TOC anchor csect. The high-order 16 bits of the displacement are used to update the instruction. This relocation can overflow if the TOC size is larger than 2^{31} bytes.</p> <p>0x31 <code>R_TOCL</code></p> <p>Specifies the low-order 16 bits of a TOC-relative relocation. Similar to the <code>R_TOC</code> relocation, a displacement value is computed. The displacement value is the difference between the address value in the symbol that the <code>r_symndx</code> field specifies and the address of the TOC anchor csect. The low-order 16 bits of the displacement are used to update the instruction.</p>

Additional Relocation Features

Standard practice is to retain relocation information only for unresolved references or references between distinct sections. Once a reference is resolved, the relocation information is discarded. This is sufficient for an incremental bind and a fixed address space model. To provide the capability for rebinding and handling a relocatable address space model, the relocation information is not discarded from an **XCOFF** file.

For general information on the **XCOFF** file format, see ["XCOFF Object File Format."](#)

For more information on relocation field table definitions, see ["Relocation Table Field Definitions"](#) in the loader section.

Line Number Information for XCOFF File (linenum.h)

Line number entries are used by the symbolic debugger to debug code at the source level. When present, there is a single line number entry for every source line that can have a symbolic debugger breakpoint. The line numbers are grouped by function. The beginning of each function is identified by the `l_1nno` field containing a value of 0. The first field, `l_1symndx`, is the symbol table index to the **C_EXT**, **C_WEAKEXT**, or **C_HIDEXT** symbol table entry for the function.

Each line number entry is six bytes long. The C language structure for a line number entry can be found in the **linenum.h** file. A line number entry contains the fields shown in the following tables.

Table 24. Initial Line Number Structure Entry for Function

Field Name and Description	XCOFF32	XCOFF64
l_addr.l_symndx⁺ Symbol table index for function	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 0 • Length: 4 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 0 • Length: 4
l_lno⁺ Value 0 (line number 0)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 4 • Length: 2 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 8 • Length: 4

Note: +Use "32" or "64" suffix when **__XCOFF_HYBRID__** is defined. With **l_addr.l_symndx**, the suffix is added to **l_addr** (i.e. **l_addr32.l_symndx**).

Table 25. Subsequent Line Number Entries for Function

Field Name and Description	XCOFF32	XCOFF64
l_paddr⁺ Address at which break point can be inserted	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 0 • Length: 4 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 0 • Length: 8
l_lno⁺ Line number relative to start of function	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 4 • Length: 2 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 8 • Length: 4

Note: +Use "32" or "64" suffix when **__XCOFF_HYBRID__** is defined. With **l_addr.l_paddr**, the suffix is added to **l_addr** (i.e. **l_addr32.l_paddr**).

Field Definitions

The following list defines the line number entries:

Item	Description
l_symndx	Specifies the symbol table index to the function name (overlays the l_paddr field). When the l_lno field is 0, this interpretation of the field is used.
l_paddr	Specifies the virtual address of the first instruction of the code associated with the line number (overlays the l_symndx field). When the l_lno field is not 0, this interpretation of the field is used.
l_lno	Specifies either the line number relative to the start of a function or 0 to indicate the beginning of a function.

Note: If part of a function other than the beginning comes from an include file, the line numbers are absolute, rather than relative to the beginning of the function. (See the **C_BINCL** and **C_EINCL** symbol types in "Storage Classes by Usage and Symbol Value Classification" for more information.)

For general information on the **XCOFF** file format, see ["XCOFF Object File Format."](#)

For information on debugging, see ["Debug Section."](#)

Symbol Table Information

One composite symbol table is defined for an **XCOFF** file. The symbol table contains information required by both the binder (external symbols) and the symbolic debugger (function definitions and internal and external symbols).

The symbol table consists of a list of 18-byte, fixed-length entries. Each symbol represented in the symbol table consists of at least one fixed-length entry, and some are followed by auxiliary entries of the same size.

See the following information to learn more about the symbol table:

- [Symbol Table Auxiliary Information](#)
- [Symbol Table Field Contents by Storage Class](#)
- [String Table](#)

For each external symbol, one or more auxiliary entries are required that provide additional information concerning the external symbol. There are three major types of external symbols of interest to the binder, performing the following functions:

- Define replaceable units or csects.
- Define the external names for functions or entry points within csects.
- Reference the names of external functions in another **XCOFF** object.

For symbols defining a replaceable unit (csect), a csect auxiliary entry defines the length and storage-mapping class of the csect. For symbols defining external names for functions within a csect, the csect auxiliary entry points to the containing csect, the parameter type-checking information, and the symbolic debugger information for the function. For symbols referencing the name of an external function, a csect auxiliary entry identifies the symbol as an external reference and points to parameter type-checking information.

Symbol Table Contents

An XCOFF symbol table has the following general contents and ordering:

- The **C_FILE** symbol table entries used to bracket all the symbol table entries associated with a given source file.
- The **C_INFO** comment section symbol table entries that are of source file scope. These follow the **C_FILE** entry but before the first csect definition symbol table entry.
- The symbolic debugger symbol table entries that are of file scope. These follow the **C_FILE** entry but before the first csect entry.
- The **C_DWARF** symbols for **DWARF** debugging information. These follow the **C_FILE** entry and no csect symbols should appear between the **C_FILE** entry and its **C_DWARF** symbols.
- csect definition symbol table entries used to define and bracket all the symbols contained with a csect.
- **C_INFO** comment section symbol table entries that follow a csect definition symbol table entry are associated with that csect.
- All symbolic debugger symbol table entries that follow a csect definition symbol table entry or label symbol table entry are associated with that csect or label.

The ordering of the symbol table must be arranged by the compilers and assemblers both to accommodate the symbolic debugger requirements and to permit effective management by the binder of the different sections of the object file as a result of such binder actions as garbage collection, incremental binding, and rebinding. This ordering is required by the binder so that if a csect is deleted or replaced, all the symbol table information associated with the csect can also be deleted or replaced. Likewise, if all the csects associated with a source file are deleted or replaced, all the symbol table and related information associated with the file can also be deleted or replaced.

Symbol Table Layout

The following example shows the general ordering of the symbol table.

un_external	Undefined global symbols
.file	Prolog --defines stabstring compaction level
.file	Source file 1
.info	Comment section reference symbol with file scope
stab	Global Debug symbols of a file
dwarf	DWARF Information of a file

csect	Replaceable unit definition (code)
.info	Comment section reference symbol with csect scope
function	Local/External function
stab	Debug and local symbols of function
function	Local/External function
stab	Debug and local symbols of function
.....	
csect	Replaceable unit definition (local statics)
stab	Debug and local statics of file
.....	
csect	Relocatable unit definition (global data)
external	Defined global symbol
stab	Debug info for global symbol
.....	
.file	Source file 2
stab	Global Debug symbols of a file
dwarf	DWARF Information of a file
csect	Replaceable unit definition (code)
function	Local/External function
stab	Debug and local symbols of function
.....	
csect	Replaceable unit definition (local statics)
stab	Debug and Local statics of file
.....	
csect	Replaceable unit definition (global data)
external	Defined global symbol
stab	Debug info for global symbol
.file	Source file
.....	

Symbol Table Entry (syms.h)

Each symbol, regardless of storage class and type, has a fixed-format entry in the symbol table. In addition, some symbol types may have additional (auxiliary) symbol table entries immediately following the fixed-format entry. Each entry in the symbol table is 18 bytes long. The C language structure for a symbol table entry can be found in the **syms.h** file. The index for the first entry in the symbol table is 0. The following table shows the structure of the fixed-format part of each symbol in the symbol table.

Table 26. Symbol Table Entry Format

Field Name and Description	XCOFF32	XCOFF64
n_name Symbol name (occupies the same 8 bytes as n_zeroes and n_offset)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 0 • Length: 8 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: N/A • Length: N/A
n_zeroes Zero, indicating name in string table or .debug section (overlays first 4 bytes of n_name)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 0 • Length: 4 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: N/A • Length: N/A
n_offset* Offset of the name in string table or .debug section (In XCOFF32: overlays last 4 bytes of n_name)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 4 • Length: 4 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 8 • Length: 4
n_value* Symbol value; storage class-dependent	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 8 • Length: 4 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 0 • Length: 8
n_scnm Section number of symbol	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 12 • Length: 2 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 12 • Length: 2

Table 26. Symbol Table Entry Format (continued)

Field Name and Description	XCOFF32	XCOFF64
n_type Basic and derived type specification	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 14 • Length: 2 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 14 • Length: 2
n_lang Source language ID (overlays first byte of n_type)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 14 • Length: 1 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 14 • Length: 1
n_cpu CPU Type ID (overlays second byte of n_type)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 15 • Length: 1 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 15 • Length: 1
n_sclass Storage class of symbol	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 16 • Length: 1 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 16 • Length: 1
n_numaux Number of auxiliary entries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 17 • Length: 1 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 17 • Length: 1

Note: +Use "32" or "64" suffix when `__XCOFF_HYBRID__` is defined.

Field Definitions

The following defines the symbol table entry fields:

Item	Description
n_name	<p>Used by XCOFF32 only. Specifies an 8-byte, null-padded symbol name or symbolic debugger stabstring. The storage class field is used to determine if the field is a symbol name or symbolic debugger stabstring. By convention, a storage class value with the high-order bit on indicates that this field is a symbolic debugger stabstring.</p> <p>If the XCOFF32 symbol name is longer than 8 bytes, the field is interpreted as the following two fields:</p> <p>n_zeroes A value of 0 indicates that the symbol name is in the string table or .debug section (overlays first word of n_name).</p> <p>n_offset Specifies the byte offset to the symbol name in the string table or .debug section (overlays last 4 bytes of n_name). The byte offset is relative to the start of the string table or .debug section. A byte offset value of 0 is a null or zero-length symbol name.</p>
n_offset	<p>For XCOFF64: Specifies the byte offset to the symbol name in the string table or .debug section. The byte offset is relative to the start of the string table or .debug section. A byte offset value of 0 is a null or zero-length symbol name. (For XCOFF32 only, used in conjunction with n_zeroes. See entry immediately above.)</p>

Item	Description
n_value	<p>Specifies the symbol value. The contents of the symbol value field is storage class-dependent, as shown in the following definitions:</p> <p>Content Storage Class</p> <p>Relocatable address C_EXT, C_WEAKEXT, C_HIDEXT, C_FCN, C_BLOCK, C_STAT</p> <p>Zero C_GSYM, C_BCOMM, C_DECL, C_ENTRY, C_ESTAT, C_ECOMM</p> <p>Offset in csect C_FUN, C_STSYM</p> <p>Offset in file C_BINCL, C_EINCL</p> <p>Offset in comment section C_INFO</p> <p>Symbol table index C_FILE, C_BSTAT</p> <p>Offset relative to stack frame C_LSYM, C_PSYM</p> <p>Register number C_RPSYM, C_RSYM</p> <p>Offset within common block C_ECOML</p> <p>Offset within corresponding DWARF section C_DWARF</p>
n_scnm	<p>Specifies a section number associated with one of the following symbols:</p> <p>-2 Specifies N_DEBUG, a special symbolic debugging symbol.</p> <p>-1 Specifies N_ABS, an absolute symbol. The symbol has a value but is not relocatable.</p> <p>0 Specifies N_UNDEF, an undefined external symbol.</p> <p>Any other value Specifies the section number where the symbol was defined.</p>

Item	Description								
n_type	<p>The use of this field depends on the storage class of the symbol. For C_FILE symbols, see "File Auxiliary Entry for the C_FILE Symbol" .</p> <p>For the C_EXT, C_HIDEXT, and C_WEAKEXT symbols, the n_type field has two interpretations in XCOFF32, and a single interpretation in XCOFF64. The old interpretation is used in XCOFF32 if the value of the o_vstamp field in the auxiliary header is 1.</p> <p>In the old XCOFF32 interpretation, bit 10 (0x0020) can be set if the symbol is a function. Otherwise, bit 10 should be 0. The remaining bits are defined in COFF file to represent type information and are no longer used.</p> <p>In XCOFF64 and the new XCOFF32 interpretation, the n_type field is used for the symbol type and visibility as follows:</p> <p>Bits 0-3</p> <p>Symbol visibility. The SYM_V_MASK macro, with the value 0xF000, can be used to mask off bits in the n_type field that do not specify visibility. The following visibilities are defined:</p> <table> <tr> <td>0x1000</td><td>SYM_V_INTERNAL</td></tr> <tr> <td>0x2000</td><td>SYM_V_HIDDEN</td></tr> <tr> <td>0x3000</td><td>SYM_V_PROTECTED</td></tr> <tr> <td>0x4000</td><td>SYM_V_EXPORTED</td></tr> </table> <p>Bit 10</p> <p>Optionally set to 1 if the symbol is a function. Otherwise, it is set to 0.</p> <p>Bits 4-9, 11-15</p> <p>Reserved for future use.</p> <p>Symbol visibility is described in the ld command.</p> <p>Note: For all other storage classes, the n_type field is reserved for future use and should contain 0.</p>	0x1000	SYM_V_INTERNAL	0x2000	SYM_V_HIDDEN	0x3000	SYM_V_PROTECTED	0x4000	SYM_V_EXPORTED
0x1000	SYM_V_INTERNAL								
0x2000	SYM_V_HIDDEN								
0x3000	SYM_V_PROTECTED								
0x4000	SYM_V_EXPORTED								
n_sclass	Specifies the storage class of the symbol. The storclass.h and dbxstclass.h files contain the definitions of the storage classes. See "Symbol Table Field Contents by Storage Class" for more information.								
n_numaux	Specifies the number of auxiliary entries for the symbol. In XCOFF64, auxiliary symbols have an identifying type field, but in XCOFF32, there is no type field. Therefore, if more than one auxiliary entry is required for a symbol, the order of the auxiliary entries is determined by convention.								

For general information on the XCOFF file format, see ["XCOFF Object File Format."](#)

Symbol Table Auxiliary Information

The symbol table contains auxiliary entries to provide supplemental information for a symbol. The auxiliary entries for a symbol follow its symbol table entry. The length of each auxiliary entry is the same as a symbol table entry (18 bytes). The format and quantity of auxiliary entries depend on the storage class (n_sclass) and type (n_type) of the symbol table entry.

In XCOFF32, symbols having a storage class of **C_EXT**, **C_WEAKEXT** or **C_HIDEXT** and more than one auxiliary entry must have the csect auxiliary entry as the last auxiliary entry. In XCOFF64, the x_auxtype field of each auxiliary symbol table entry differentiates the symbols, but the convention is to generate the csect auxiliary symbol table entry last.

File Auxiliary Entry for C_FILE Symbols

The file auxiliary symbol table entry is defined to contain the source file name and compiler-related strings. A file auxiliary entry is optional and is used with a symbol table entry that has a storage-class

value of **C_FILE**. The C language structure for a file auxiliary entry can be found in the **x_file** structure in the **syms.h** file.

The **C_FILE** symbol provides source file-name information, source-language ID and CPU-version ID information, and, optionally, compiler-version and time-stamp information.

The **n_type** field of the symbol table entry identifies the source language of the source file and the CPU version ID of the compiled object file. The field information is as follows:

Item	Description
Source Language ID	<p>Overlays the high-order byte of the n_type field. This field contains the source-language identifier. The values for this field are defined in the e_lang field in "Exception Section" . This field can be used by the symbolic debuggers to determine the source language.</p> <p>The optional values for this field are 248 (TB_OBJECT) for symbols from object files with no C_FILE symbol table entry; or 249 (TB_FRONT) or 250 (TB_BACK) for generated entries used to provide debugging information. If the source language is TB_FRONT or TB_BACK, the 8-character name field begins with ' ' (blank) , '\0'(NULL). If the source language is TB_FRONT, the third byte is the stabstring compaction level for the object file, and the n_offset field contains the symbol table index of the TB_BACK symbol table entry, if it exists, or 0 otherwise.</p>

Item	Description
CPU Version ID	Defined as the low-order byte of the n_type field. Describes the kind of instructions generated for the file. The following values are defined:
0	Reserved.
1	Specifies , 32-bit mode.
2	Reserved.
3	Specifies the common intersection of 32-bit and Processor.
4	Specifies Processor.
5	Specifies any mix of instructions between different architectures.
6	Specifies a mix of and instructions ().
7-223	Reserved.
224	Specifies instructions.
225-255	Reserved.

If both fields are 0, no information is provided about the source language.

File Name Auxiliary Entry Format

Offset	Length in Bytes	Name	Description
0	14	x_fname	Source file string
0	4	x_zeroes	Zero, indicating file string in string table (overlays first 4 bytes of x_fname)
4	4	x_offset	Offset of file string in string table (overlays 5th-8th bytes of x_fname)
14	1	x_ftype	File string type
15	2		Reserved. Must contain 0.
17	1	x_auxtype	Auxiliary symbol type(XCOFF64 only)

Field Definitions

The following defines the fields listed above:

Item	Description
x_fname	<p>Specifies the source file name or compiler-related string.</p> <p>If the file name or string is longer than 8 bytes, the field is interpreted as the following two fields:</p> <p>x_zeroes A value of 0 indicates that the source file string is in the string table (overlays first 4 bytes of x_fname).</p> <p>x_offset Specifies the offset from the beginning of the string table to the first byte of the source file string (overlays last 4 bytes of x_fname).</p>
x_ftype	<p>Specifies the source-file string type.</p> <p>0 XFT_FN Specifies the source-file name</p> <p>1 XFT_CT Specifies the compiler time stamp</p> <p>2 XFT_CV Specifies the compiler version number</p> <p>128 XFT_CD Specifies compiler-defined information</p>
(no name)	Reserved. This field must contain 2 bytes of 0.
x_auxtype	(XCOFF64 only) Specifies the type of auxiliary entry. Contains _AUX_FILE for this auxiliary entry.

If the file auxiliary entry is not used, the symbol name is the name of the source file. If the file auxiliary entry is used, then the symbol name should be `.file`, and the first file auxiliary entry (by convention) contains the source file name. More than one file auxiliary entry is permitted for a given symbol table entry. The `n_numaux` field contains the number of file auxiliary entries.

csect Auxiliary Entry for C_EXT, C_WEAKEXT, and C_HIDEXT Symbols

The csect auxiliary entry identifies csects (section definitions), entry points (label definitions), and external references (label declarations). A csect auxiliary entry is required for each symbol table entry that has a storage class value of **C_EXT**, **C_WEAKEXT**, or **C_HIDEXT**. See ["Symbol Table Entry \(syms.h\)"](#) for more information. By convention, the csect auxiliary entry in an XCOFF32 file must be the last auxiliary entry for any external symbol that has more than one auxiliary entry. The C language structure for a csect auxiliary entry can be found in the **x_csect** structure in the **syms.h** file.

Table 27. csect Auxiliary Entry Format

Field Name and Description	XCOFF32	XCOFF64
x_scnlen (See field definition section)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Offset: 0 Length: 4 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Offset: N/A Length: N/A
x_scnlen_lo (See field definition section) Low 4 bytes of section length	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Offset: N/A Length: N/A 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Offset: 0 Length: 4
x_parmhash Offset of parameter type-check hash in <code>.typchk</code> section	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Offset: 4 Length: 4 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Offset: 4 Length: 4

Table 27. csect Auxiliary Entry Format (continued)

Field Name and Description	XCOFF32	XCOFF64
x_snhash .typchk section number	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Offset: 8 Length: 2 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Offset: 8 Length: 2
x_smtyp Symbol alignment and type 3-bit symbol alignment (log 2) 3-bit symbol type	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Offset: 10 Length: 1 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Offset: 10 Length: 1
x_smclas Storage mapping class	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Offset: 11 Length: 1 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Offset: 11 Length: 1
x_stab Reserved	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Offset: 12 Length: 4 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Offset: N/A Length: N/A
x_snstab Reserved	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Offset: 16 Length: 2 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Offset: N/A Length: N/A
x_scnlen_hi (See field definition section) High 4 bytes of section length	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Offset: N/A Length: N/A 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Offset: 12 Length: 4
(pad) Reserved	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Offset: N/A Length: N/A 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Offset: 16 Length: 1
x_auxtype Contains _AUX_CSECT; indicates type of auxiliary entry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Offset: N/A Length: N/A 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Offset: 17 Length: 1

Field Definitions

The following defines the fields listed above:

Item	Description
x_scnlen	<p>Specifies a meaning dependent on x_smtyp as follows:</p> <p>If</p> <p>Then</p> <p>XTY_SD x_scnlen contains the csect length.</p> <p>XTY_LD x_scnlen contains the symbol table index of the containing csect.</p> <p>XTY_CM x_scnlen contains the csect length.</p> <p>XTY_ER x_scnlen contains 0.</p> <p>In the XCOFF64 format, the value of x_scnlen is divided into two fields: x_scnlen_hi, representing the upper 4 bytes of the value, and x_scnlen_lo, representing the lower 4 bytes of the value.</p>
x_parmhash	<p>Specifies the byte offset of the parameter type-check string in the .typchk section. The byte offset is from the beginning of the .typchk section in an XCOFF file. The byte offset points to the first byte of the parameter type-check string (not to its length field). See "Type-Check Section" for more information. A value of 0 in the x_parmhash field indicates that the parameter type-checking string is not present for this symbol, and the symbol will be treated as having a universal hash. The value should be 0 for C_HIDEXT symbols.</p>

Item	Description
x_snhash	Specifies the .typchk section number. The XCOFF section number containing the parameter type-checking strings. The section numbers are one-based. For compatibility with object files generated by some compilers, if x_parmhash is not equal to 0 but x_snhash does equal 0, then the first .typchk section in the file is used. The value should be 0 for C_HIDEXT symbols.
x_smtyp	Specifies symbol alignment and type: <p>Bits 0-4 Contains a 5-bit csect address alignment value (log base 2). For example, a value of 3 in this field indicates 23, or 8, meaning the csect is to be aligned on an 8-byte address value. The alignment value is used only when the value of bits 5-7 of the x_smtyp field is either XTY_SD or XTY_CM.</p> <p>Bits 5-7 Contains a 3-bit symbol type field. See the definitions for bits 5-7 of the l_smtyp field in "Loader Section" for more information.</p>
x_smclas	Specifies the csect storage-mapping class. This field permits the binder to arrange csects by their storage-mapping class. The x_smclas field is used only when the value of bits 5-7 of the x_smtyp field is either XTY_SD or XTY_CM . <p>The following storage-mapping classes are read-only and normally mapped to the .text section:</p> <p>Value Class Description</p> <p>0 XMC_PR Specifies program code. The csect contains the executable instructions of the program.</p> <p>1 XMC_RO Specifies a read-only constant. The csect contains data that is constant and will not change during execution of the program.</p> <p>2 XMC_DB Specifies the debug dictionary table. The csect contains symbolic-debugging data or exception-processing data. This storage mapping class was defined to permit compilers with special symbolic-debugging or exception-processing requirements to place data in csects that are loaded at execution time but that can be collected separately from the executable code of the program.</p> <p>6 XMC_GL Specifies global linkage. The csect provides the interface code necessary to handle csect relative calls to a target symbol that can be out-of-module. This global linkage csect has the same name as the target symbol and becomes the local target of the relative calls. As a result, the csect maintains position-independent code within the .text section of the executable XCOFF object file.</p> <p>7 XMC_XO Specifies extended operation. A csect of this type has no dependency on (references through) the TOC. It is intended to reside at a fixed address in memory such that it can be the target of a branch-absolute instruction.</p> <p>12 XMC_TI Reserved.</p> <p>13 XMC_TB Reserved.</p> <p>The following storage-mapping classes are read/write and normally mapped to the .data or .bss section:</p> <p>Value Class Description</p> <p>5 XMC_RW Specifies read/write data. A csect of this type contains initialized or uninitialized data that is permitted to be modified during program execution. If the x_smtyp value is XTY_SD, the csect contains initialized data and is mapped into the .data section. If the x_smtyp value is XTY_CM, the csect is uninitialized and is mapped into the .bss section. Typically, all the initialized static data from a C source file is contained in a single csect of this type. The csect would have a storage class value of C_HIDEXT. An initialized definition for a global data scalar or structure from a C source file is contained in its own csect of this type. The csect would have a storage class value of C_EXT. A csect of this type is accessible by name references from other object files.</p>

Item	Description
x_smclas continued	<p>Value Class Description</p> <p>15 XMC_TCO Specifies TOC anchor for TOC addressability. This is a zero-length csect whose n_value address provides the base address for TOC relative addressability. Only one csect of type XMC_TCO is permitted per section of an XCOFF object file. In implementations that permit compilers and assemblers to generate multiple .data sections, there must be a csect of type XMC_TCO in each section that contains data that is referenced (by way of a relocation entry) as a TOC-relative data item. Some hardware architectures limit the value that a relative displacement field within a load instruction may contain. This limit then becomes an inherent limit on the size of a TOC for an executable XCOFF object. For RS/6000®, this limit is 65,536 bytes, or 16,384 4-byte TOC entries.</p> <p>3 XMC_TC</p> <p>22 XMC_TE Specifies general TOC entries. Csects of this type are the same size as a pointer and contain the address of other csects or global symbols. These csects provide addressability to other csects or symbols. The symbols might be in either the local executable XCOFF object or another executable XCOFF object. The binder uses special processing semantics to eliminate duplicate TOC entries as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Symbols that have a storage class value of C_EXT are global symbols and must have names (a non-null n_name field). These symbols require no special TOC processing logic to combine duplicate entries. Duplicate entries with the same n_name value are combined into a single entry. • Symbols that have a storage class value of C_HIDEXT are not global symbols, and duplicate entries are resolved by context. Any two such symbols are defined as duplicates and combined into a single entry whenever the following conditions are met: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – The n_name fields are the same. That is, they have either a null name or the same name string. – Each is the same size as a pointer. – Each has a single RLD entry that references external symbols with the same name. <p>To minimize the number of duplicate TOC entries that the binder cannot combine, compilers and assemblers should adhere to a common naming convention for TOC entries. By convention, compilers and assemblers produce TOC entries that have a storage class value of C_HIDEXT and an n_name string that is the same as the n_name value for the symbol that the TOC entry addresses.</p> <p>Storage-mapping classes XMC_TC and XMC_TE are equivalent, except that the binder should map XMC_TE symbols after XMC_TC and XMC_TD symbols.</p>

Item	Description
x_smclas continued	<p>Value Class Description</p> <p>16 XMC_TD Specifies scalar data entry in the TOC. A csect that is a special form of an XMC_RW csect that is directly accessed from the TOC by compiler generated code. This lets some frequently used global symbols be accessed directly from the TOC rather than indirectly through an address pointer csect contained in the TOC. A csect of type XMC_TD has the following characteristics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The compiler generates code that is TOC relative to directly access the data contained in the csect of type XMC_TD. • It is 4-bytes long or less. • It has initialized data that can be modified as the program runs. • If a same named csect of type XMC_RW or XMC_UA exist, it is replaced by the XMC_TD csect. <p>For the cases where TOC scalar cannot reside in the TOC, the binder must be capable of transforming the compiler generated TOC relative instruction into a conventional indirect addressing instruction sequence. This transformation is necessary if the TOC scalar is contained in a shared object.</p> <p>10 XMC_DS Specifies a csect containing a function descriptor, which contains the following three values:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The address of the executable code for a function. • The address of the TOC anchor (TOC base address) of the module that contains the function. • The environment pointer (used by languages such as Pascal and PL/I). <p>There is only one function descriptor csect for a function, and it must be contained within the same executable as the function itself is contained. The function descriptor has a storage class value of C_EXT and has an n_name value that is the same as the name of the function in the source file. The addresses of function descriptors are imported to and exported from an executable XCOFF file.</p> <p>8 XMC_SV Specifies 32-bit supervisor call descriptor csect. The supervisor call descriptors are contained within the operating system kernel. To an application program, the reference to a supervisor call descriptor is treated the same as a reference to a regular function descriptor. It is through the import/export mechanism that a function descriptor is treated as a supervisor call descriptor. These symbols are only available to 32-bit programs.</p> <p>17 XMC_SV64 Specifies 64-bit supervisor call descriptor csect. See XMV_SV for supervisor call information. These symbols are only available to 64-bit programs.</p> <p>18 XMC_SV3264 Specifies supervisor call descriptor csect for both 32-bit and 64-bit. See XMV_SV for supervisor call information. These symbols are available to both 32-bit and 64-bit programs.</p> <p>4 XMC_UA Unclassified. This csect is treated as read/write. This csect is frequently produced by an assembler or object file translator program that cannot determine the true classification of the resultant csect.</p> <p>9 XMC_BS Specifies BSS class (uninitialized static internal). A csect of this type is uninitialized, and is intended to be mapped into the .bss section. This type of csect must have a x_smtyp value of XTY_CM.</p>
x_smclas continued	<p>Value Class Description</p> <p>11 XMC_UC Specifies unnamed FORTRAN common. A csect of this type is intended for an unnamed and uninitialized FORTRAN common. It is intended to be mapped into the .bss section. This type of csect must have a x_smtyp value of XTY_CM.</p> <p>The following storage mapping class is read-write and is mapped to the .tdata section:</p> <p>20 XMC_TL Specifies read/write thread-local data. A csect of this type contains initialized data that is local to every thread in a process. When a new thread is created, a csect with type XMC_TL is used to initialize the thread-local data for the thread.</p> <p>The following storage mapping class is read-write and is mapped to the .tbss section:</p> <p>21 XMC_UL Specifies read/write thread-local data. A csect of this type contains uninitialized data that is local to every thread in a process. When a new thread is created, the thread-local storage for a csect of this type is initialized to zero.</p>

Item	Description
x_stab	Reserved (Unused for 64-bit).
x_snstab	Reserved (Unused for 64-bit).

Auxiliary Entries for the C_EXT, C_WEAKEXT, and C_HIDEXT Symbols

Auxiliary symbol table entries are defined in XCOFF to contain reference and size information associated with a defined function. These auxiliary entries are produced by compilers and assembler for use by the symbolic debuggers. In XCOFF32, a function auxiliary symbol table entry contains the required information. In XCOFF64, both a function auxiliary entry and an exception auxiliary entry may be needed. When both auxiliary entries are generated for a single **C_EXT**, **C_WEAKEXT**, or **C_HIDEXT** symbol, the x_size and x_endndx fields must have the same values.

The function auxiliary symbol table entry is defined in the following table.

Table 28. Function Auxiliary Entry Format

Field Name and Description	XCOFF32	XCOFF64
x_exptr File offset to exception table entry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Offset: 0 Length: 4 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Offset: N/A Length: N/A
x_fsize Size of function in bytes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Offset: 4 Length: 4 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Offset: 8 Length: 4
x_lnnoptr File pointer to line number	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Offset: 8 Length: 4 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Offset: 0 Length: 8
x_endndx Symbol table index of next entry beyond this function	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Offset: 12 Length: 4 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Offset: 12 Length: 4
(pad) Unused	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Offset: 16 Length: 1 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Offset: 16 Length: 1
x_auxtype Contains _AUX_FCN; Type of auxiliary entry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Offset: N/A Length: N/A 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Offset: 17 Length: 1

Field Definitions

The following defines the fields listed in the Function Auxiliary Entry Format table:

Item	Description
x_exptr	(XCOFF32 only) This field is a file pointer to an exception table entry. The value is the byte offset from the beginning of the XCOFF object file. In an XCOFF64 file, the exception table offsets are in an exception auxiliary symbol table entry.
x_fsize	Specifies the size of the function in bytes.
x_lnnoptr	Specifies a file pointer to the line number. The value is the byte offset from the beginning of the XCOFF object file.
x_endndx	Specifies the symbol table index of the next entry beyond this function.

The exception auxiliary symbol table entry, defined in XCOFF64 only, is shown in the following table.

Table 29. Exception Auxiliary Entry Format (XCOFF64 only)

Offset	Length	Name and Description
0	8	x_exptr File offset to exception table entry.
8	4	x_fsize Size of function in bytes
12	4	x_endndx Symbol table index of next entry beyond this function
16	1	(pad) Unused
17	1	x_auxtype Contains _AUX_EXCEPT; Type of auxiliary entry

Field Definitions

The following defines the fields listed in the Exception Auxiliary Entry Format table:

Item	Description
x_exptr	This field is a file pointer to an exception table entry. The value is the byte offset from the beginning of the XCOFF object file.
x_fsize	Specifies the size of the function in bytes.
x_endndx	Specifies the symbol table index of the next entry beyond this function.

Block Auxiliary Entry for the C_BLOCK and C_FCN Symbols

The symbol auxiliary symbol table entry is defined in XCOFF to provide information associated with the begin and end blocks of functions. The symbol auxiliary symbol table entry is produced by compilers for use by the symbolic debuggers.

Table 30. Table Entry Format

Field Name and Description	XCOFF32	XCOFF64
(no name) Reserved	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Offset: 0 Length: 2 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Offset: N/A Length: N/A
x_innohi High-order 2 bytes of the source line number	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Offset: 2 Length: 2 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Offset: N/A Length: N/A
x_inno Low-order 2 bytes of the source line number	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Offset: 4 Length: 2 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Offset: N/A Length: N/A
x_inno Source line number	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Offset: N/A Length: N/A 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Offset: 0 Length: 4
(no name) Reserved	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Offset: 6 Length: 12 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Offset: 4 Length: 13

Table 30. Table Entry Format (continued)

Field Name and Description	XCOFF32	XCOFF64
x_auxtype Contains <code>_AUX_SYM</code> ; Type of auxiliary entry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: N/A • Length: N/A 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offset: 17 • Length: 1

Field Definitions

The following defines the fields above:

Item	Description
(no name)	Reserved.
x_lnnohi	For XCOFF32, specifies the high-order 16 bits of a source file line number.
x_lnnlo	Specifies the line number of a source file. The maximum value of this field is 65535 for XCOFF64 and 2^{32} for XCOFF64.

Section Auxiliary Entry for the C_STAT Symbol

The section auxiliary symbol table entry ID is defined in XCOFF32 to provide information in the symbol table concerning the size of sections produced by a compiler or assembler. The generation of this information by a compiler is optional, and is ignored and removed by the binder.

Note: The + after **x_scnlen** and **x_nreloc** should be a superscript. You can find other instances of this superscript in the existing documentation.

Table 31. Section Auxiliary Entry Format (XCOFF32 Only)

Offset	Length in Bytes	Name and Description
0	4	x_scnlen Section length
4	2	x_nreloc Number of relocation entries
6	2	x_nlinno Number of line numbers
8	10	(no name) Reserved

Field Definitions

The following list defines the fields:

Item	Description
x_scnlen	Specifies section length in bytes.
x_nreloc	Specifies the number of relocation entries. The maximum value of this field is 65535.
x_nlinno	Specifies the number of line numbers. The maximum value of this field is 65535.
(no name)	Reserved.

For general information on the XCOFF file format, see ["XCOFF Object File Format."](#) For more information on the symbol table, see ["Symbol Table Information."](#)

For information on debugging, see ["Debug Section."](#)

SECT Auxiliary Entry for the C_DWARF Symbol

The SECT auxiliary symbol table entry is defined to provide information in the symbol table concerning the size of the portion of the section represented by the **C_DWARF** symbol.

Table 32. Section Auxiliary Entry Format for C_DWARF symbols

Field Name and Description	XCOFF32	XCOFF64
x_scnlen+ Length of portion of section represented by symbol.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Offset: 0• Length: 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Offset: 0• Length: 8
(no name) Reserved	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Offset: 4• Length: 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Offset: N/A• Length: N/A
x_nreloc + Number of relocation entries in section	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Offset: 8• Length: 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Offset: 8• Length: 8
(no name) Reserved	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Offset: 12• Length: 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Offset: N/A• Length: N/A
(no name) Reserved	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Offset: 16• Length: 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Offset: 16• Length: 1
x_auxtype Contains _AUX_SECT; Type of Auxillary entry	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Offset: N/A• Length: N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Offset: 17• Length: 1

Note: + Use "32" or "64" suffix when **__XCOFF_HYBRID__** is defined.

Field Definitions

The following list defines the fields:

Item	Description
(no name)	Reserved
x_scnlen	Size of portion of section represented by this symbol.
x_nreloc	Number of relocation entries for this symbol. The binder sets this field to 0.

Symbol Table Field Contents by Storage Class

This section defines the symbol table field contents for each of the defined storage classes (n_sclass) that are used in XCOFF. The following table lists storage class entries in alphabetic order. See "[Symbol Table Entry \(syms.h\)](#)" for more information.

Table 33. Symbol Table by Storage Class

Class Definition	Field Contents
C_BCOMM 135 Beginning of common block	n_name Name of the common block* n_value 0, undefined n_scnnum N_DEBUG Aux. Entry
C_BINCL 108 Beginning of include file	n_name Source name of the include file** n_value File pointer n_scnnum N_DEBUG Aux. Entry
C_BLOCK 100 Beginning or end of inner block	n_name .bb or .eb n_value Relocatable address n_scnnum N_SCNUM Aux. Entry BLOCK
C_BSTAT 143 Beginning of static block	n_name .bs n_value Symbol table index n_scnnum N_DEBUG Aux. Entry
C_DECL 140 Declaration of object (type)	n_name Debugger stabstring* n_value 0, undefined n_scnnum N_SCNUM Aux. Entry

Table 33. Symbol Table by Storage Class (continued)

Class Definition	Field Contents
C_DWARF 112 DWARF symbol	n_name Same as name of corresponding DWARF section n_value Relocatable offset into corresponding DWARF section n_scnnum Section number of a DWARF section Aux. Entry SECT
C_ECOML 136 Local member of common block	n_name Debugger stabstring* n_value Offset within common block n_scnnum N_ABS Aux. Entry
C_ECOMM 137 End of common block	n_name Debugger stabstring* n_value 0, undefined n_scnnum N_DEBUG Aux. Entry
C_EINCL 109 End of include file	n_name Source name of the include file** n_value File pointer n_scnnum N_DEBUG Aux. Entry
C_ENTRY 141 Alternate entry	n_name * n_value 0, undefined n_scnnum N_DEBUG Aux. Entry
C_ESTAT 144 End of static block	n_name .es n_value 0, undefined n_scnnum N_DEBUG Aux. Entry

Table 33. Symbol Table by Storage Class (continued)

Class Definition	Field Contents
C_EXT 2 External symbol (defining external symbols for binder processing)	n_name Symbol Name** n_value Relocatable address n_scnun N_SCNUM or N_UNDEF Aux. Entry FUNCTION CSECT
C_FCN 101 Beginning or end of function	n_name .bf or .ef n_value Relocatable address n_scnun N_SCNUM Aux. Entry BLOCK
C_FILE 103 Source file name and compiler information	n_name .file or source file name (if no auxiliary entries)** n_value Symbol table index n_scnun N_DEBUG Aux. Entry FILE
C_FUN 142 Function or procedure	n_name Debugger stabstring* n_value Offset within containing csect n_scnun N_ABS Aux. Entry
C_GSYM 128 Global variable	n_name Debugger stabstring* n_value 0, undefined n_scnun N_DEBUG Aux. Entry

Table 33. Symbol Table by Storage Class (continued)

Class Definition	Field Contents
C_GTLS 145 Global thread-local variable	n_name Debugger stabstring* n_value 0, undefined n_scnm N_DEBUG Aux. Entry
C_HIDEXT 107 Unnamed external symbol	n_name Symbol Name or null** n_value Relocatable address n_scnm N_SCNUM Aux. Entry FUNCTION CSECT
C_INFO 100 Comment section reference	n_name Info Name Identifier or null** n_value Offset within comment section n_scnm N_SCNUM Aux. Entry
C_LSYM 129 Automatic variable allocated on stack	n_name Debugger stabstring* n_value Offset relative to stack frame n_scnm N_ABS Aux. Entry
C_NULL 0 Symbol table entry marked for deletion.	n_name n_value 0x00DE1E00 n_scnm Aux. Entry Any
C_PSYM 130 Argument to subroutine allocated on stack	n_name Debugger stabstring* n_value Offset relative to stack frame n_scnm N_ABS Aux. Entry

Table 33. Symbol Table by Storage Class (continued)

Class Definition	Field Contents
C_RPSYM 132 Argument to function or procedure stored in register	n_name Debugger stabstring* n_value Register number n_scnm N_ABS Aux. Entry
C_RSYM 131 Register variable	n_name Debugger stabstring* n_value Register number n_scnm N_ABS Aux. Entry
C_STAT 3 Static symbol (Unknown. Some compilers generate these symbols in the symbol table to identify size of the .text , .data , and .bss sections. Not used or preserved by binder.)	n_name Symbol Name** n_value Relocatable address n_scnm N_SCNUM Aux. Entry SECTION
C_STSYM 133 Statically allocated symbol	n_name Debugger stabstring* n_value Offset within csect n_scnm N_DEBUG Aux. Entry
C_STTLS 146 Static thread-local variable	n_name Debugger stabstring* n_value 0, undefined n_scnm N_DEBUG Aux. Entry
C_TCSYM 134 Reserved	n_name Debugger stabstring* n_value n_scnm Aux. Entry

Table 33. Symbol Table by Storage Class (continued)

Class Definition	Field Contents
C_WEAKEXT 111 Weak external symbol (defining weak external symbols for binder processing)	n_name Symbol Name** n_value Relocatable address n_scnnum N_SCNUM or N_UNDEF Aux. Entry FUNCTION CSECT

Note:

1. *For long name, the n_offset value is an offset into the .debug section.
2. **For long name, the n_offset value is an offset into the string table.

Storage Classes by Usage and Symbol Value Classification

Following are the storage classes used and relocated by the binder. The symbol values (n_value) are addresses.

Class	Description
C_EXT	Specifies an external or global symbol
C_WEAKEXT	Specifies an external or global symbol with weak binding
C_HIDEXT	Specifies an internal symbol
C_BLOCK	Specifies the beginning or end of an inner block (.bb or .eb)
C_FCN	Specifies the beginning or end of a function (.bf or .ef only)
C_STAT	Specifies a static symbol (contained in statics csect)

Following are storage classes used by the binder and symbolic debugger or by other utilities for file scoping and accessing purposes:

Class	Description
C_FILE	Specifies the source file name. The n_value field holds the symbol index of the next file entry. The n_name field is the name of the file.
C_BINCL	Specifies the beginning of include header file. The n_value field is the line number byte offset in the object file to the first line number from the include file.
C_EINCL	Specifies the end of include header file. The n_value field is the line number byte offset in the object file to last line number from the include file.
C_INFO	Specifies the location of a string in the comment section. The n_value field is the offset to a string of bytes in the specified STYP_INFO section. The string is preceded by a 4-byte length field. The n_name field is preserved by the binder. An application-defined unique name in this field can be used to filter access to only those comment section strings intended for the application.
C_DWARF	Specifies the portion of the DWARF section that applies to the current C_FILE symbol. The n_value field contains the offset with the section to the portion of the section represented by this symbol. The n_scnlen field in the SECT auxiliary entry contains the length of the portion of the section represented by this symbol.

Following are the storage classes that exist only for symbolic debugging purposes:

Class	Description
C_BCOMM	Specifies the beginning of a common block. The <code>n_value</code> field is meaningless; the name is the name of the common block.
C_ECOML	Specifies a local member of a common block. The <code>n_value</code> field is byte-offset within the common block.
C_ECOMM	Specifies the end of a common block. The <code>n_value</code> field is meaningless.
C_BSTAT	Specifies the beginning of a static block. The <code>n_value</code> field is the symbol table index of the csect containing static symbols; the name is <code>.bs</code> .
C_ESTAT	Specifies the end of a static block. The <code>n_value</code> field is meaningless; the name is <code>.es</code> .
C_DECL	Specifies a declaration of object (type declarations). The <code>n_value</code> field is undefined.
C_ENTRY	Specifies an alternate entry (FORTRAN) and has a corresponding C_EXT or C_WEAKEXT symbol. The <code>n_value</code> field is undefined.
C_FUN	Specifies a function or procedure. May have a corresponding C_EXT or C_WEAKEXT symbol. The <code>n_value</code> field is byte-offset within the containing csect.
C_GSYM	Specifies a global variable and has a corresponding C_EXT or C_WEAKEXT symbol. The <code>n_value</code> field is undefined.
C_LSYM	Specifies an automatic variable allocated on the stack. The <code>n_value</code> field is byte offset relative to the stack frame (platform dependent).
C_PSYM	Specifies an argument to a subroutine allocated on the stack. The <code>n_value</code> field is byte-offset relative to the stack frame (platform dependent).
C_RSYM	Specifies a register variable. The <code>n_value</code> field is the register number.
C_RPSYM	Specifies an argument to a function or procedure stored in a register. The <code>n_value</code> field is the register number where argument is stored.
C_STSYM	Specifies a statically allocated symbol. The <code>n_value</code> field is byte-offset within csect pointed to by containing C_BSTAT entry.
C_GTLS	Specifies a global thread-local variable and follows a C_EXT or C_WEAKEXT symbol with the same name. The <code>n_value</code> field is undefined.
C_STTLS	Specifies a static thread-local variable and follows a C_HIDEXT symbol with the same name. The <code>n_value</code> field is undefined.

For general information on the XCOFF file format, see ["XCOFF Object File Format."](#) For more information on the symbol table, see ["Symbol Table Information."](#)

For information on debugging, see ["Debug Section."](#)

String Table

IN XCOFF32, the string table contains the names of symbols that are longer than 8 bytes. In XCOFF64, the string table contains the names of all symbols. If the string table is present, the first 4 bytes contain the length (in bytes) of the string table, including the length of this length field. The remainder of the table is a sequence of null-terminated ASCII strings. If the `n_zeroes` field in the symbol table entry is 0, then the `n_offset` field gives the byte offset into the string table of the name of the symbol.

If a string table is not used, it may be omitted entirely, or a string table consisting of only the length field (containing a value of 0 or 4) may be used. A value of 4 is preferable. The following table shows string table organization.

Table 34. String Table Organization

Offset	Length in Bytes	Description
0	4	Length of string table.
4	<i>n</i>	Symbol name string, null-terminated. Field repeats for each symbol name.

For general information on the **XCOFF** file format, see ["XCOFF Object File Format."](#)

dbx Stabstrings

The debug section contains the symbolic debugger stabstrings (symbol table strings). It is generated by the compilers and assemblers. It provides symbol attribute information for use by the symbolic debugger.

See ["Debug Section"](#) for a general discussion.

Stabstring Terminal Symbols

In the stabstring grammar, there are five types of terminal symbols, which are written in all capital letters. These symbols are described by the regular expressions in the following list:

Note: The [] (brackets) denote one instance, []* (brackets asterisk) denote zero or more instances, []+ (brackets plus sign) denote one or more instances, () (parentheses) denote zero or one instance, .* (dot asterisk) denotes a sequence of zero or more bytes, and | (pipe) denotes alternatives.

Symbol	Regular Expression
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NAME	[^ ; ' "] (A name consists of any non-empty set of characters, excluding ; ' or ".)
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STRING	'.*' ".*", where \", \', or \\ can be used inside the string
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Within a string, the \ (backslash character) may have a special meaning. If the character following the \ is another \, one of the backslashes is ignored. If the next character is the quote character used for the current string, the string is interpreted as containing an embedded quote. Otherwise, the \ is interpreted literally. However, if the closing quote is the last character in the stabstring, and a \ occurs immediately before the quote, the \ is interpreted literally. This use is not recommended.

The \ must be quoted only in the following instances:

- The \ is the last character in the string (to avoid having the closing quote escaped).
- The \ is followed by the current quote character.
- The \ is followed by another \.

An escaped quote is required only when a single string contains both a single quote and a double quote. Otherwise, the string should be quoted with the quote character not contained in the strings.

A string can contain embedded null characters, so utilities that process stabstrings must use the length field to determine the length of a stabstring.

INTEGER	(-)[0-9]+
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HEXINTEGER	[0-9A-F]+
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The hexadecimal digits **A-F** must be uppercase.

REAL	[H D DD][(+ -)[0-9]+(.[0-9]*([eEqQ](+ -)[0-9]+) (+-) INF QNAN SNAN)
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Stabstring Grammar

REALs may be preceded by white space, and STRINGs may contain any characters, including null and blank characters. Otherwise, there are no null or blank characters in a stabstring.

Long stabstrings can be split across multiple symbol table entries for easier handling. In the stabstring grammar, a # (pound sign) indicates a point at which a stabstring may be continued. A continuation is indicated by using either the ? (question mark) or \ as the last character in the string. The next part of the stabstring is in the name of the next symbol table entry. If an alternative for a production is empty, the grammar shows the keyword /*EMPTY*/.

The following list contains the stabstring grammar:

Stabstring:

Basic structure of stabstring:

NAME : Class

Name of object followed by object classification

:Class

Unnamed object classification.

Class:

Object classifications:

c = Constant ;

Constant object

NamedType

User-defined types and tags

Parameter

Argument to subprogram

Procedure

Subprogram declaration

Variable

Variable in program

Label

Label object.

Constant:

Constant declarations:

b OrdValue

Boolean constant

c OrdValue

Character constant

e TypeID , OrdValue

Enumeration constant

i INTEGER

Integer constant

r REAL

Decimal or binary floating point constant

s STRING

String constant

C REAL, REAL

Complex constant

S TypeID , NumElements , NumBits , BitPattern

Set constant.

OrdValue:

Associated numeric value: INTEGER

NumElements:

Number of elements in the set: INTEGER

NumBits:

Number of bits in item: INTEGER

NumBytes:

Number of bytes in item: INTEGER

BitPattern:

Hexadecimal representation, up to 32 bytes: HEXINTEGER

NamedType:

User-defined types and tags:

t *TypeID*

User-defined type (TYPE or typedef), excluding those that are valid for **T *TypeID***

T *TypeID*

Struct, union, class, or enumeration tag

Parameter:

Argument to procedure or function:

a *TypeID*

Passed by reference in general register

p *TypeID*

Passed by value on stack

v *TypeID*

Passed by reference on stack

C *TypeID*

Constant passed by value on stack

D *TypeID*

Passed by value in floating point register

R *TypeID*

Passed by value in general register

X *TypeID*

Passed by value in vector register

Procedure:

Procedure or function declaration:

Proc

Procedure at current scoping level

Proc , NAME : NAME

Procedure named 1st NAME, local to 2nd NAME, where 2nd NAME is different from the current scope.

Variable:

Variable in program:

TypeID

Local (automatic) variable of type *TypeID*

d *TypeID*

Floating register variable of type *TypeID*

h*TypeID*

Static thread-local variable of type *TypeID*

r *TypeID*

Register variable of type *TypeID*

x *TypeID*

Vector register variable of type *TypeID*

G *TypeID*

Global (external) variable of type *TypeID*

H *TypeID*

Global (external) thread-local variable of type *TypeID*

S *TypeID*

Module variable of type *TypeID* (C static global)

V *TypeID*

Own variable of type *TypeID* (C static local)

Y

FORTRAN pointer variable

Z *TypeID* NAME

FORTRAN pointee variable

Label:

Label:

L

Label name.

Proc:

Different types of functions and procedures:

f *TypeID*

Private function of type *TypeID*

g *TypeID*

Generic function (FORTRAN)

m *TypeID*

Module (Modula-2, ext. Pascal)

J *TypeID*

Internal function of type *TypeID*

F *TypeID*

External function of type *TypeID*

I

(capital i) Internal procedure

P

External procedure

Q

Private procedure

***TypeID*:**

Type declarations and identifiers:

INTEGER

Type number of previously defined type

INTEGER = *TypeDef*

New type number described by *TypeDef*

INTEGER = *TypeAttrs* *TypeDef*

New type with special type attributes

***TypeAttrs*:**

@ *TypeAttrList* ;

Note: Type attributes (*TypeAttrs*) are extra information associated with a type, such as alignment constraints or pointer-checking semantics. The **dbx** program recognizes only the **size** attribute and the **packed** attribute. The **size** attribute denotes the total size of a padded element within an array. The **packed** attribute indicates that a type is a packed type. Any other attributes are ignored by **dbx**.

***TypeAttrList*:**

List of special type attributes:

TypeAttrList ;

@ *TypeAttr* *TypeAttr*

TypeAttr:

Special type attributes:

a INTEGER

Align boundary

s INTEGER

Size in bits

p INTEGER

Pointer class (for checking)

P

Packed type

Other

Anything not covered is skipped entirely

TypeDef:

Basic descriptions of objects:

INTEGER

Type number of a previously defined type

b *TypeID* ; # *NumBytes*

Pascal space type

c *TypeID* ; # *NumBits*

Complex type *TypeID*

d *TypeID*

File of type *TypeID*

e *EnumSpec* ;

Enumerated type (default size, 32 bits)

g *TypeID* ; # *NumBits*

Floating-point type of size *NumBits*

D *TypeID* ; # *NumBits*

Decimal floating-point type of size *NumBits*

For **i** types, *ModuleName* refers to the Modula-2 module from which it is imported.

i NAME : NAME ;

Imported type *ModuleName:Name*

i NAME : NAME , *TypeID* ;

Imported type *ModuleName:Name* of type *TypeID*

k *TypeID*

C++ constant type

l ; #

Usage-is-index; specific to COBOL

m *OptVBaseSpec* *OptMultiBaseSpec* *TypeID* : *TypeID* : *TypeID* ;

C++ pointer to member type; the first *TypeID* is the member type; the second is the type of the class

n *TypeID* ; # *NumBytes*

String type, with maximum string length indicated by *NumBytes*

o NAME ;

Opaque type

o NAME , *TypeID*

Opaque type with definition of *TypeID*

w *TypeID*
Wide character

z *TypeID* ; # *NumBytes*
Pascal gstring type

C *Usage*
COBOL Picture

I *NumBytes* ; # *PicSize*
(uppercase i) Index is type; specific to COBOL

K *CobolFileDesc*;
COBOL File Descriptor

M *TypeID* ; # *Bound*
Multiple instance type of *TypeID* with length indicated by *Bound*

N
Pascal *Stringptr*

S *TypeID*
Set of type *TypeID*

*** *TypeID***
Pointer of type *TypeID*

& *TypeID*
C++ reference type

V *TypeID*
C++ volatile type

Z
C++ ellipses parameter type

Array *Subrange ProcedureType*
For function types rather than declarations

Record
Record, structure, union, or group types

EnumSpec:
List of enumerated scalars:

EnumList
Enumerated type (C and other languages)

***TypeID* : EnumList**
C++ enumerated type with repeating integer type

EnumList: Enum
EnumList Enum

Enum:
Enumerated scalar description: NAME : *OrdValue* , #

Array:
Array descriptions:

a *TypeID* ; # *TypeID*
Array; *FirstTypeID* is the index type

A *TypeID*
Open array of *TypeID*

D INTEGER , *TypeID*
N-dimensional dynamic array of *TypeID*

E INTEGER , *TypeID*
N-dimensional dynamic subarray of *TypeID*

O INTEGER , *TypeID*

New open array

P *TypeID* ; # *TypeID*

Packed array

Subrange:

Subrange descriptions:

r *TypeID* ; # *Bound* ; # *Bound*

Subrange type (for example, char, int,\,), lower and upper bounds

Bound:

Upper and lower bound descriptions:

INTEGER

Constant bound

Boundtype INTEGER

Variable or dynamic bound; value is address of or offset to bound

J

Bound is indeterminable (no bounds)

Boundtype:

Adjustable subrange descriptions:

A

Bound passed by reference on stack

S

Bound passed by value in static storage

T

Bound passed by value on stack

a

Bound passed by reference in register

t

Bound passed by value in register

ProcedureType:

Function variables (1st type C only; others Modula-2 & Pascal)

f *TypeID* ;

Function returning type *TypeID*

f *TypeID* , *NumParams* ; *TParamList* ;

Function of N parameters returning type *TypeID*

p *NumParams* ; *TParamList* ;

Procedure of N parameters

R *NumParams* ; *NamedTParamList*

Pascal subroutine parameter

F *TypeID*, *NumParams* ; *NamedTParamList* ;

Pascal function parameter

NumParams:

Number of parameters in routine:

INTEGER.

TParamList:

Types of parameters in Modula-2 function variable:

TParam

Type of parameter and passing method

TParam:

Type and passing method

TypeID , *PassBy* ; #

NamedTParamList:

Types of parameters in Pascal-routine variable: /*EMPTY*/ *NamedTPList*

NamedTPList:

NamedTParam *NamedTPList* *NamedTParam*

NamedTParam:

Named type and passing method: *Name* : *TypeID* , *PassBy* *InitBody* ; # : *TypeID* , *PassBy* *InitBody* ; #

Unnamed parameter

Record:

Types of structure declarations:

- **s** *NumBytes* # *FieldList* ;
- Structure or record definition
- **u** *NumBytes* # *FieldList* ;
- Union
- **v** *NumBytes* # *FieldList* *VariantPart* ;
- Variant Record
- **Y** *NumBytes* *ClassKey* *OptPBV* *OptBaseSpecList* (*ExtendedFieldList* *OptNameResolutionList* ;
- C++ class
- **G** *Redefinition* , **n** *NumBits* # *FieldList* ;
- COBOL group without conditionals

Gn *NumBits* *FieldList* ;

- **G** *Redefinition* , **c** *NumBits* # *CondFieldList* ;
- COBOL group with conditionals

Gc *NumBits* *CondFieldList* ;

OptVBaseSpec:

v

ptr-to-mem class has virtual bases.

/*EMPTY*/

Class has no virtual bases.

OptMultiBaseSpec:

m

Class is multi-based.

/*EMPTY*/

Class is not multi-based.

OptPBV:

v

Class is always passed by value.

/*EMPTY*/

Class is never passed by value.

ClassKey:

s

struct

u
union

c
class

OptBaseSpecList:
*/*EMPTY*/ BaseSpecList*

BaseSpecList:
BaseSpec BaseSpecList , BaseSpec

BaseSpec:
VirtualAccessSpec BaseClassOffset : ClassTypeID

BaseClassOffset:
INTEGER
Base record offset in bytes

ClassTypeID:
TypeID
Base class type identifier

VirtualAccessSpec:
v AccessSpec
Virtual

v
Virtual

AccessSpec
*/*EMPTY*/*

GenSpec:
c
Compiler-generated

*/*EMPTY*/*

AccessSpec:
i #
Private

o #
Protected

u #
Public

AnonSpec:
a
Anonymous union member

*/*EMPTY*/*

VirtualSpec:
v p
Pure virtual

v
Virtual

*/*EMPTY*/*

ExtendedFieldList:
*ExtendedFieldList ExtendedField /*EMPTY*/*

ExtendedField:

*GenSpec AccessSpec AnonSpec DataMember GenSpec VirtualSpec AccessSpec OptVirtualFuncIndex
MemberFunction AccessSpec AnonSpec NestedClass AnonSpec FriendClass AnonSpec FriendFunction*

DataMember:

MemberAttrs : Field ;

MemberAttrs:

IsStatic IsVtblPtr IsVBasePtr

IsStatic:

*/*EMPTY*/*

s

Member is static.

IsVtblPtr:

*/*EMPTY*/*

p INTEGER NAME

Member is vtbl pointer; NAME is the external name of v-table.

IsVBasePtr:

*/*EMPTY*/*

b

Member is vbase pointer.

r

Member is vbase self-pointer.

Member Function:

[FuncType MemberFuncAttrs : NAME : TypeID ; #

MemberFuncAttrs:

IsStatic IsInline IsConst IsVolatile

IsInline:

*/*EMPTY*/*

i

Inline function

IsConst:

*/*EMPTY*/*

k

const member function

IsVolatile:

*/*EMPTY*/*

v

Volatile member function

NestedClass:

N TypeID ; #

FriendClass:

(TypeID ; #

FriendFunction:

] NAME : TypeID ; #

OptVirtualFuncIndex:

*/*EMPTY*/ INTEGER*

FuncType:

f

Member function

c
 Constructor

d
 Destructor

InitBody:
 STRING /*EMPTY*/

OptNameResolutionList:
 /*EMPTY*/) NameResolutionList

NameResolutionList: NameResolution
 NameResolution , NameResolutionList

NameResolution: MemberName : ClassTypeID
 Name is resolved by compiler.

MemberName:
 Name is ambiguous.

MemberName:
 NAME

FieldList:
 Structure content descriptions:

Field
 /*EMPTY*/

FieldList Field
 Member of record or union.

Field:
 Structure-member type description:
 NAME : TypeID , BitOffset , NumBits ; #

VariantPart:
 Variant portion of variant record:

[Vtag VFieldList]
 Variant description

VTag:
 Variant record tag:

(Field
 Member of variant record

(NAME ; ; #
 Variant key name

VFieldList:
 Variant record content descriptions:

VList VFieldList VList
 Member of variant record

VList:
 Variant record fields:

VField VField VariantPart
 Member of variant record

VField:
 Variant record member type description:

(VRangeList : FieldList
 Variant with field list

VRangeList:

List of variant field labels:

VRange VRangeList , VRange

Member of variant record

VRange:

Variant field descriptions:

b OrdValue

Boolean variant

c OrdValue

Character variant

e TypeID , OrdValue

Enumeration variant

i INTEGER

Integer variant

r TypeID ; Bound ; Bound

Subrange variant

CondFieldList:

Conditions, #FieldList *FieldList#* ;

Conditions:

*/*Empty*/ Conditions condition*

BitOffset:

Offset in bits from beginning of structure: INTEGER

Usage:

Cobol usage description: *PICStorageType NumBits , EditDescription , PicSize ; Redefinition , PICStorageType NumBits , EditDescription , PicSize ; PICStorageType NumBits , EditDescription , PicSize , # Condition ; Redefinition , PICStorageType NumBits , EditDescription , PicSize , # Condition ;*

Redefinition:

Cobol redefinition: **r** NAME

PICStorageType:

Cobol PICTURE types:

a

Alphabetic

b

Alphabetic, edited

c

Alphanumeric

d

Alphanumeric, edited

e

Numeric, signed, trailing, included

f

Numeric, signed, trailing, separate

g

Numeric, signed, leading, included

h

Numeric, signed, leading, separate

i

Numeric, signed, default, comp

j	Numeric, unsigned, default, comp
k	Numeric, packed, decimal, signed
l	Numeric, packed, decimal, unsigned
m	Numeric, unsigned, comp-x
n	Numeric, unsigned, comp-5
o	Numeric, signed, comp-5
p	Numeric, edited
q	Numeric, unsigned
s	Indexed item
t	Pointer

EditDescription:

Cobol edit description:

STRING

Edit characters in an alpha PIC

INTEGER

Decimal point position in a numeric PIC

PicSize:

Cobol description length:

INTEGER

Number of repeated '9's in numeric clause, or length of edit format for edited numeric

Condition:

Conditional variable descriptions:

NAME : INTEGER = **q** *ConditionType* , *ValueList* ; #

ConditionType:

Condition descriptions:

ConditionPrimitive , *KanjiChar*

ConditionPrimitive:

Primitive type of Condition:

n Sign DecimalSite

Numeric conditional

a

Alphanumeric conditional

f

Figurative conditional

Sign:

For types with explicit sign:

+

Positive

- Negative
- [^+-] Not specified

DecimalSite:

Number of places from left for implied decimal point:

INTEGER

KanjiChar:

0 only if Kanji character in value: INTEGER

ValueList

Values associated with condition names

Value ValueList Value

Value

Values associated with condition names:

INTEGER : ArbitraryCharacters #

Integer indicates length of string

CobolFileDesc:

COBOL file description: *Organization AccessMethod NumBytes*

Organization:

COBOL file-description organization:

- i** Indexed
- l** Line Sequential
- r** Relative
- s** Sequential

AccessMethod:

COBOL file description access method:

- d** Dynamic
- o** Sort
- r** Random
- s** Sequential

PassBy:

Parameter passing method:

INTEGER

0 = passed-by reference; 1 = passed-by value

Related reference

[ar File Format \(Big\)](#)

[ar File Format \(Small\)](#)

Related information

[as command](#)

[dbx command](#)

Special Files

A *special file* is associated with a particular hardware device or other resource of the computer system. The operating system uses special files, sometimes called *device files*, to provide file I/O access to specific character and block device drivers.

Special files, at first glance, appear to be just like ordinary files, in that they:

- Have path names that appear in a directory.
- Have the same access protection as ordinary files.
- Can be used in almost every way that ordinary files can be used.

However, there is an important difference between the two. An ordinary file is a logical grouping of data recorded on disk. A special file, on the other hand, corresponds to a device entity. Examples are:

- An actual device, such as a line printer.
- A logical subdevice, such as a large section of the disk drive.
- A pseudo device, such as the physical memory of the computer (**/dev/mem**) or the null file (**/dev/null**).

Special files are distinguished from other files by having a file type (c or b, for character or block) stored in the i-nodes to indicate the type of device access provided. The i-node for the special file also contains the device major and minor numbers assigned to the device at device configuration time.

Note: Data corruption, loss of data, or loss of system integrity (a system crash) will occur if devices supporting paging, logical volumes, or mounted file systems are accessed using block special files. Block special files are provided for logical volumes and disk devices on the operating system and are solely for system use in managing file systems, paging devices, and logical volumes. These files should not be used for other purposes.

Several special files are provided with the operating system. By convention, special files are located in the **/dev** directory.

More information is provided about the following special files:

Item	Description
<u>3270cn</u>	Provides access to 3270 connection adapters by way of the 3270 connection adapter device driver.
<u>bus</u>	Provides access to the hardware bus by way of the machine I/O device driver.
<u>cd</u>	Provides access to the cdrom device driver.
<u>console</u>	Provides access to the system console.
<u>dials</u>	Provides access to the dials.
<u>dump</u>	Supports system dump.
<u>entn</u>	Provides access to the 3COM Ethernet adapters by way of the Ethernet device handler for this platform.
<u>error</u>	Supports error logging.
<u>fd</u>	Provides access to the diskette device driver.
<u>fddin</u>	Provides access to the FDDI device driver by way of the FDDI device handler.
<u>GIO</u>	Provides access to the graphics I/O (GIO) adapter.
<u>ide</u>	Provides access to the Integrated Device Electronics (IDE) adapter device driver.
<u>kbd</u>	Provides access to the natively attached keyboard.

Item	Description
<u>kmem and mem</u>	Provides privileged read and write access to virtual memory.
<u>lft</u>	Implements a low-function terminal (LFT) device.
<u>lp</u>	Provides access to the line printer device driver.
<u>lpfk</u>	Provides access to the lighted program function key (LPFK) array.
<u>lvdd</u>	Provides access to the logical volume device driver.
<u>mouse</u>	Provides access to the natively attached mouse.
<u>mpqi</u>	Provides access to the Multiport Model 2 Adapter (MM2) SDLC device driver.
<u>mpqn</u>	Provides access to multiprotocol adapters by way of the Multiprotocol Quad Port (MPQP) device handler.
<u>null</u>	Provides access to the null device.
<u>nvrnm</u>	Provides access to platform-specific nonvolatile RAM used for system boot, configuration, and fatal error information.
<u>omd</u>	Provides access to the read/write optical device driver.
<u>opn</u>	Provides diagnostic interface to the Serial Optical Link device driver.
<u>ops0</u>	Provides access to the Serial Optical Link device driver
<u>pty</u>	Provides the pseudo-terminal (pty) device driver.
<u>random</u>	Source of secure random output.
<u>rcm</u>	Provides application interface to obtain and relinquish status of a graphics process through the Rendering Context Manager (RCM) device driver.
<u>rhdisk</u>	Provides raw access to the physical volume (fixed-disk) device driver.
<u>rmt</u>	Provides access to the sequential-access bulk-storage medium device driver.
<u>scsi</u>	Provides access to the SCSI adapter device driver.
<u>tablet</u>	Provides access to the tablet.
<u>tmscsi</u>	Provides access to the SCSI Target-mode interface by way of the SCSI tmscsi device driver.
<u>tokn</u>	Provides access to the token-ring adapters by way of the token-ring device handler.
<u>trace</u>	Supports event tracing.
<u>tty</u>	Supports the controlling terminal interface.
<u>urandom</u>	Source of secure random output.
<u>vty_server</u>	Creates a tty-style connection from the partition on which a virtual terminal server is running to a virtual terminal (not a virtual terminal server) on another partition.

3270cn Special File

Purpose

Provides access to 3270 connection adapters by way of the 3270 connection adapter device handler.

Description

The **3270cn** character special file provides access to the 3270 connection adapter device handler for the purpose of emulating 3270 display stations and printers. The device handler is a multiplexed device handler that supports an independent logical 3270 session on each of its channels.

The device handler supports two modes of operation:

Item	Description
Distributed Function Terminal (DFT) mode	In DFT mode, the adapter can appear as multiple SNA or non-SNA display sessions, non-SNA printer sessions, or both, and is an intelligent device to the control unit. In this mode, the device handler provides the capability of emulating several 3278/79 display stations. If the attached control unit does not support Extended Asynchronous Event Device Status, either the control unit port or the device handler must be configured for one session only.
3278/79 emulation Control Unit Terminal (CUT) mode	In CUT mode, the adapter appears as a single-session, unintelligent device to the control unit. In this mode, the device handler provides the capability of emulating a single 3278/79 display station.

The device handler supports up to four 3270 connection adapters, each of which may have up to five DFT sessions or one CUT session.

The **/usr/include/sys/io3270.h** file contains the definitions of the structures used by the device handler.

Usage Considerations

When accessing the 3270 connection device handler, the following should be taken into account:

Item	Description
Driver initialization and termination	The device handler may be loaded and unloaded. The device handler supports the configuration calls to initialize and terminate itself, but does not support the configuration call to query vital product data (VPD).
Special file support	Subroutines other than open and close are discussed in regard to the mode in which the device handler is operating.

Subroutine Support

The 3270 device handler provides 3270-specific support for the following subroutines:

- **open**
- **close**
- **read**
- **readx** (non-SNA DFT mode only)
- **write**

- **writex** (non-SNA DFT mode only)
- **ioctl**

open and close Subroutines

The device handler supports the **3270cn** special file as a character-multiplex special file. The special file must be opened for both reading and writing (**O_RDWR**).

A special consideration exists for closing the **3270cn** special file. If the file was opened in both CUT mode and CUT-File Transfer mode, the **close** operation for CUT-File Transfer mode must precede the **close** operation for CUT mode.

The special file name used in an **open** call takes on several different forms, depending on how the device is to be opened. Types of special file names are:

Item	Description
dev/3270cn/C	Starts the device handler in CUT mode for the selected port, where the value of <i>n</i> is $0 \leq n \leq 7$.
/dev/3270cn/F	Starts the device handler in CUT File-Transfer mode for the selected port, where the value of <i>n</i> is $0 \leq n \leq 7$. The file must be currently open in CUT mode before it can be opened in CUT File-Transfer mode.
/dev/3270cn/*	Starts the device handler in DFT mode for the selected port, where the value of <i>n</i> is $0 \leq n \leq 7$ and the * (asterisk) is defined by <i>P/a</i> , as follows: P/00, P/01, P/02,...P/1F The printer session specified by the <i>P</i> variable is equal to the control unit session address, and the value of <i>a</i> is less than or equal to 0x1F. 01 through 05 Terminal session number.
/dev/3270cn	Starts the device handler in DFT mode for the selected port, where the value of <i>n</i> is $0 \leq n \leq 7$.

read Subroutine in Non-SNA DFT Mode

Data received by the communication adapter from the host is placed in the buffer until the message is completed or the buffer is full. When either condition occurs, the driver returns program control back to the application. The application can determine the status of a **read** subroutine call by issuing a **WDC_INQ** **ioctl** operation.

If the **WDC_INQ** operation returns a status indicating that more data is available, the application should immediately issue another **read** call. Available data must be read as soon as possible to avoid degrading link or host performance.

If a **read** call is made and no data is available, the calling process is blocked until data becomes available. To avoid blocking, use the **poll** subroutine to determine if data is available.

The host sends data as an outbound 3270 data stream. The device handler translates the command codes in the outbound 3270 data stream. The command codes and translations are as follows:

Command Code	Into Driver	Out of Driver
Erase All Unprotected	0x6F	0x0F
Erase/Write	0xF5	0x03
Erase/Write Alternate	0x7E	0x0D
Read Buffer	0xF2	0x02
Read Modified	0xF6	0x06
Write	0xF1	0x01

Command Code	Into Driver	Out of Driver
Write Structured Field	0xF3	0x11

read Subroutine in SNA DFT Mode

The communication adapter receives data from the control unit in individual SNA data segments. The device driver notifies the application that data is available. During the **read** subroutine call, the data is transferred to the application's user space from the device driver's kernel space (without the TCA header from the control unit), and control is passed back to the application. The device driver acknowledges each SNA data segment received, making it unnecessary for the application to inquire about the link status after the **read** call.

Note: The **STAT_ACK** ioctl operation is not valid in SNA DFT mode.

Unlike non-SNA DFT mode, neither chaining nor command interpretation is performed by the device driver in SNA DFT mode. The application must both accumulate SNA data segments to form an response unit (RU) and interpret any 3270 data contained within.

readx Subroutine in Non-SNA DFT Mode

Data received by the communication adapter from the host is placed in the buffer until either the message completes or the buffer is full. Upon completion of the **read** call, the **io3270** structure pointed to by the **read** extension contains the status. One of the following status codes is set in the **io_flags** field of the **io3270** structure:

Item	Description
WDI_DAVAIL	Additional data is available for this link address.
WDI_COMM	A communication error occurred. The io_status field contains the corresponding message code.
WDI_PROG	A program error occurred. The io_status field contains the corresponding message code.
WDI_MACH	A hardware error occurred. The io_status field contains the corresponding message code.
WDI_FATAL	An error occurred that prevents further communication with the host. This flag is optionally set in addition to the WDI_COMM , WDI_PROG , or WDI_MACH flag. It is also set when a coax failure occurs. In this case, the io_status field contains a value of WEB_610 , but the WDI_COMM , WDI_PROG , or WDI_MACH flag is not set.

When reset, the **WDI_DAVAIL** flag indicates that the data just read marks the completion of an outbound 3270 data stream.

If the **WDI_DAVAIL** flag indicates more data is available, another **readx** subroutine should be issued immediately. Available data must be read as soon as possible to avoid degrading link or host performance.

If a **readx** subroutine call is made and no data is available, the calling process is blocked until data becomes available. To avoid blocking, use the **poll** subroutine to determine if data is available.

Data received from the host is in the form of an outbound 3270 data stream. The device driver translates the command codes in the outbound 3270 data stream.

Note: The 3270 write commands require the application to send a status to the host. Status is sent using the **WDC_SSTAT** ioctl operation.

write Subroutine in Non-SNA DFT Mode

In non-SNA DFT mode, the **write** subroutine sends an inbound 3270 data stream to the host. The buffer specified on a **write** subroutine call must contain a complete inbound 3270 data stream. The **write** call is complete when it has successfully transferred from the buffer specified on the subroutine call.

write Subroutine in SNA DFT Mode

In SNA DFT mode, the **write** subroutine transmits SNA data to the host system. This data can be either a 3270 data stream with SNA headers or an SNA response.

The application sends data to the device driver, one RU at a time. The device driver is then responsible for segmenting the inbound SNA data. If a second **write** call is made before the first call is processed, the second call does not proceed until the device driver is ready. After the data is transferred from the application's user space to the device driver's kernel space, the **write** subroutine completes and control is returned to the application.

If the device driver detects a coax disconnect between two **write** calls, the second **write** call will return to the application, with the **errno** global variable set to **EFAULT**.

writex Subroutine in Non-SNA DFT Mode

The **writex** subroutine sends an inbound 3270 data stream to the host. The buffer specified on a **writex** subroutine call must contain a complete inbound 3270 data stream.

The **write** subroutine is complete when it has successfully transferred the data from the specified buffer. Upon completion of the **write** subroutine call, the **io3270** structure pointed to by the **write** extension contains the status. One of the following status codes is set in the **io_flags** field of the **io3270** structure:

Item	Description
WDI_DAVAIL	Indicates that data is available for this link address; the data must be read before any write can occur.
WDI_COMM	Indicates a communication error. The io_status field contains the corresponding message code.
WDI_PROG	Indicates a program error. The io_status field contains the corresponding message code.
WDI_MACH	Indicates a hardware error. The io_status field contains the corresponding message code.

ioctl Subroutine in DFT Mode

The **ioctl** subroutine may be issued to the device handler when it is in DFT mode. The following are the available **ioctl** operations:

Item	Description
IOCINFO	Returns the logical terminal number. This number is the EBCDIC representation of the controller type and the controller attachment protocol in the iocinfo structure.
WDC_AUTO	Valid only for non-SNA DFT mode. Provides the handler with the option to automatically acknowledge the receipt of a valid 3270 data stream. An acknowledgment is sent only if the beginning of the 3270 data stream consists of 0xF3 00 06 40 00 F1 C2 xx xx 10 14, where the xx fields are not examined. This command also allows the driver not to indicate acknowledgment upon receipt of data.

Item	Description
WDC_INQ	<p>Queries the status of the last non-SNA read or write call issued by the application. Also, the WDC_INQ operation determines if data is available for reading. The status is placed in the <code>io_flags</code> field of the io3270 structure. This field accepts the following values:</p> <p>WDI_DAVAIL Data is available for reading. The data is buffered either in the driver or in the communication adapter. The data should be read immediately to avoid its having an impact on performance.</p> <p>In non-SNA DFT mode, a write or writex subroutine call cannot complete until the data has been read. In SNA DFT mode, the WDI_DAVAIL flag is used only to indicate that data is available when the device driver wakes up the application (if waiting on a poll or select call) after receiving data from the control unit.</p> <p>WDI_COMM, WDI_PROG, or WDI_MACH Indicates a communication check, program check, or machine check, respectively. In each of these cases, the <code>io_status</code> field contains a message code that specifies the type of check.</p> <p>WDI_FATAL Indicates that an error has occurred that prevents further communication between the application and the device driver, typically a coax disconnect or adapter failure. This flag may be set in conjunction with the WDI_COMM, WDI_PROG, or WDI_MACH flag. If the communications failure was caused by a coax disconnect, the <code>io_status</code> field contains a value of WEB_610.</p> <p>WDI_WCUS_30 A communications check reminder that occurs when there is a network failure and the control unit is still communicating with the communication adapter. The specific type of error is contained in the <code>io_status</code> field as a 5XX error code. The communications check reminder is cleared automatically after the network condition is corrected.</p> <p>WDI_WCUS_31 Indicates that the communications check reminder has been cleared.</p> <p>WDI_CU Valid only for SNA DFT mode. Indicates that an ACTLU or DACTLU request was received by the device driver. The accompanying data is contained in the <code>io_extra</code> field of the io3270 structure.</p>
WDC_POR	<p>The link address is first disabled and then re-enabled to emulate a 3270 terminal power-on reset function.</p>

Item	Description
WDC_SSTAT	Valid only for non-SNA DFT mode. Sends status to the host. The argument field contains one of the following values:
STAT_ACK	The previously received 3270 data stream is valid, and the proper response is made to the host.
STAT_RESET	Sends a RESET Key to the DFT device handler.
STAT_PRTCMP	The printer session has completed printing the data.
STAT_BERR	Received a bad buffer order or an invalid buffer address.
STAT_UNSUP	Received an unsupported 3270 command.
	The /usr/include/sys/io3270.h file contains the definitions of the structures used by the device handler.

Error Conditions in DFT Mode

The following error conditions may be returned when accessing the device handler through the **3270cn** special file:

Item	Description
EBUSY	An open was requested for a channel that is already open.
EFAULT	A buffer specified by the caller was not valid.
EINTR	A subroutine call was interrupted.
EINVAL	An invalid argument was received.
EIO	An unrecoverable I/O error occurred on the requested data transfer.
ENODEV	An open was requested for an invalid channel.
ENOMEM	The driver could not allocate memory for use in the data transfer.
ENXIO	An operation was requested for an invalid minor device number.

read Subroutine in CUT Mode

The **read** subroutine places data received by the communication adapter in a buffer.

Note: To set the offset into the communication adapter's buffer from which to read, use the **EMSEEK** ioctl operation.

Two ioctl operations control the way the **read** subroutine operates: the **EMNWAIT** and **EMWAIT** operations. The **EMNWAIT** operation indicates that subsequent read calls should be satisfied immediately. The **EMWAIT** ioctl operation (the default) indicates that read calls should be satisfied only after an interrupt from the control unit indicates that something has changed on the display. The following are control unit interrupts:

Item	Description
Buffer Modification Complete	The read subroutine returns the number of bytes requested.
Load I/O Address Command Decoded	The read subroutine returns 0 for the number of bytes read.

write Subroutine in CUT Mode

The **write** subroutine sends an inbound 3270 data stream to the host. The buffer specified on a **write** subroutine must contain a complete inbound 3270 data stream. To set the offset into the communication adapter buffer to begin to write, use the **EMSEEK** ioctl operation.

ioctl Subroutine in CUT Mode

The **ioctl** subroutine may be issued to the device handler in CUT mode. The following are acceptable **ioctl** operations:

Item	Description
EMKEY	Sends a scan code to the emulation adapter. The scan code is logically ORed with the EMKEY operation, and the result is used as the command field on the ioctl subroutine call.
EMCPOS	Returns the position of the cursor relative to the start of the communication adapter buffer.
EMXPOR	Disables the link address and then re-enables it to emulate a 3270 terminal power-on reset function.
EMNWAIT	Specifies that read subroutine calls should be satisfied immediately.
EMWAIT	Specifies that read subroutine calls should be satisfied only after a change to the emulation buffer or the cursor position (this is the default setting).
EMVISND	Returns the current contents of the emulation Visual/Sound register in the <code>integer</code> field. The address of this field is specified as the argument to the EMVISND operation.
EMIMASK	<p>Provides a mask to specify which interrupts appear. The argument field specifies the address of the mask. The low-order bits of the mask (0 through 7) correspond to bits 0 through 7 of the Interrupt Status register. Bits 8 through 15 of the mask correspond to bits 0 through 7 of the Visual/Sound register.</p> <p>This operation allows the driver to ignore visual or sound interrupts except for those bits specifically masked ON. When a bit is on, the interrupt that corresponds to that bit position appears. Interrupts that correspond to off (0) bit positions in the mask are discarded by the device handler. The previous mask setting is returned to the caller in the mask field. The interrupt status bits and the visual or sound bits are documented in the <i>IBM 3270 Connection Technical Reference</i>.</p>
IOCINFO	Returns a structure of device information, as defined in the <code>/usr/include/sys/devinfo.h</code> file, to the user-specified area. The <code>devtype</code> field has a value of DD_EM78 , which is defined in the <code>devinfo.h</code> file, and the <code>flag</code> field value has a value of 0.
EMSEEK	Sets the offset into the communication adapter buffer to begin a read or write subroutine call.

Error Conditions in CUT Mode

The following error conditions may be returned when accessing the device handler through the **dev/3270cn** special file:

Item	Description
EBUSY	An open was requested for a channel that is already open. The keystroke buffer is full.
EFAULT	A buffer specified by the caller is not valid.
EINTR	A subroutine call was interrupted.
EINVAL	An invalid argument was specified on an ioctl call.
EL3RST	A reset command was received by the communications adapter.
ENOCCONNECT	The connection to the control unit stopped while a read operation, for which the EMWAIT ioctl operation had been specified, was waiting.

Item	Description
EIO	An unrecoverable I/O error occurred on the requested data transfer.
ENXIO	An operation was requested for a minor device number that is not valid.

This special file requires the IBM 3270 Connection Adapter.

Related information

[close subroutine](#)

[read subroutine](#)

bus Special File

Purpose

Provides access to each of the hardware buses by way of the machine I/O device driver.

Description

The **bus** special files consist of a pseudo-driver in the kernel that allows a privileged user to access each hardware I/O bus. This is done indirectly by using the **ioctl** subroutine. The calling process, however, must have the appropriate system privilege to open the **bus** special files.

This capability should be used only by device initialization and [configuration](#) programs. Programs that depend upon the **bus** device interface may not be portable to machines with different hardware.

There is at least one **bus** special file, usually the **/dev/pci0** or the **/dev/bus0** special file. This file accesses the primary hardware bus. One **bus** special file exists for each hardware bus on the machine. Each **bus** special file gains access to the corresponding hardware bus, and exists only if the hardware bus is present or was present at one time. Run the following command to generate a list of all the defined **bus** special files for a machine:

```
lsdev -C -c bus -F name | xargs -i echo
/dev/{} 
```

Related information

[ioctl subroutine](#)

[Device Configuration Subsystem Programming Introduction](#)

cd Special File

Purpose

Provides access to the CD-ROM device driver.

Description

The CD-ROM special file provides block and character (raw) access to disks in the CD-ROM drives.

The **r** prefix on a special file name means the drive is accessed as a raw device rather than a block device. Performing raw I/O with a compact disk requires the performance of all data transfers in multiples of the compact-disk logical block length. Also, all [lseek](#) subroutines made to the raw CD-ROM device driver must set the file offset pointer to a value that is a multiple of the specified logical block size.

CD-ROM Device Drivers

Compact disks, used in CD-ROM device drivers, are read-only media that provide storage for large amounts of data. The special files **/dev/cd0**, **/dev/cd1**,... provide block access to compact disks. The special files **/dev/rcd0**, **/dev/rc1**,... provide character access.

When a CD-ROM disc is ejected from the drive for a mounted CD-ROM file system, the files on the compact disc can no longer be accessed. Before these files can be accessed again, the file systems mounted from the CD-ROM must be unmounted. Processes having files open on these file systems should be exited. Processes having current directories on these file systems should be moved. If these actions do not work, perform a forced unmount.

Another problem that results from ejecting the CD-ROM disc for a mounted CD-ROM file system is that the **man** command can become unresponsive. Reinserting the CD-ROM disc will not fix the problem. All processes (graphical and ASCII) should be exited and the file system should be forced unmounted and mounted again. Afterwards, any **man** commands can be started again.

Device-Dependent Subroutines

Most CD-ROM operations are implemented using the **open**, **read**, and **close** subroutines. However, for some purposes, use of the **openx** (extended) subroutine is required.

Item	Description
openx Subroutine	The openx subroutine is supported to provide additional functions to the open sequence. The openx subroutine requires appropriate authority to start. Attempting to execute this subroutine without the proper authority results in a return value of -1, with the errno global variable set to EPERM .
ioctl Subroutine	The IOCINFO ioctl operation is defined for all device drivers that use the ioctl subroutine. The remaining ioctl operations are all physical volume device-specific operations. Diagnostic mode is not required for the following operation. The IOCINFO operation returns a devinfo structure, which is defined in the devinfo.h file.

Error Codes

In addition to the error codes listed for the **ioctl**, **open**, **read**, and **write** subroutines, the following error codes are also possible:

Item	Description
EACCES	A subroutine other than ioctl or close was attempted while in Diagnostic mode.
EACCES	A normal read call was attempted while in Diagnostic mode.
EFAULT	Illegal user address.
EBUSY	The target device is reserved by another initiator.
EINVAL	The device was opened with a mode other than read-only.
EINVAL	An <i>nbyte</i> parameter to a read subroutine is not an even multiple of the block size.
EINVAL	A sense-data buffer length greater than 255 is not valid for a CDIOCMD ioctl operation.
EINVAL	A data buffer length greater than that allowed by the drive is not valid for a CDIOCMD ioctl operation.
EINVAL	An attempt was made to configure a device that is still open.
EINVAL	An illegal configuration command has been given.
EMFILE	An open call has been attempted for a SCSI adapter that already has the maximum permissible number of open devices.
ENOTREADY	There is no compact disk in the drive.
ENODEV	An attempt was made to access a device that is not defined.
ENODEV	An attempt was made to close a device that has not been defined.
EMEDIA	The media was changed.
EIO	Hardware error or aborted command or illegal request.

Item	Description
EIO	An attempt has been made to read beyond the end of media.
EPERM	This subroutine requires appropriate authority.
ESTALE	A CD-ROM disk was ejected (without first being closed by the user) and then either re-inserted or replaced with a second disk.
ETIMEDOUT	An I/O operation has exceeded the given timer value.

Related information

[close subroutine](#)

[scdisk subroutine](#)

[SCSI Subsystem Overview](#)

console Special File

Purpose

Provides access to the system console.

Description

The **/dev/console** special file provides access to the device or file designated as the system console. This file can be designated as the console device by the person administering the system or a user with the appropriate permissions. The **console** character special file provides access to the console device driver. The console device driver in turn directs input and output to the device or file selected as the system console.

The system console is typically a terminal or display located near the system unit. It has two functions in the operating system. First, it provides access to the system when it is operating in a non-multiuser mode. (This would be the case during maintenance and diagnostic sessions.) A console login is also normally provided on this device for all operating system run levels.

Second, the system console displays messages for system errors and other problems requiring intervention. These messages are generated by the operating system and its various subsystems when starting or operating. The system console can also be redirected to a file or to the **/dev/null** special file for systems operating without a console device.

Console Driver Configuration Support

Console driver configuration support allows the system console to be assigned or reassigned to a specified device or file. Such support also provides query functions to determine the current and configured path names for the device or file designated as the console. This configuration support is used by the **swcons**, **chcons**, and **lscons** high-level system management commands. It is also used by the console configuration method at system startup.

The **swcons** (switch console) command can be used during system operation to switch the system console output to a different target temporarily. This command switches only system information, error, and intervention-required messages to the specified destination. The **swcons** command does not affect the operation of the system console device that provides a login through the **getty** command. The device or file specified when using the **swcons** command remains the target for console output until one of the following happens:

- Another **swcons** command is issued.
- The system is started again.
- The console driver detects an error when accessing the designated device or file.

If an open or write error is detected on the device or file specified by the **swcons** command, the console device driver switches all output back to the device or file providing console support when the system started.

The **chcons** (change console) command can be used to switch the system console output to a different device or file for the next startup. This command does not affect the current console selection, but becomes effective when the system is started again.

When requested to activate a login on the console device, the **getty** program (which provides login support) uses the console configuration support to determine the path name of the targeted console device used at startup. This action ensures that the **swcons** command does not effect the console device being used for login.

Usage Considerations

The **open**, **close**, **read**, **write**, **ioctl**, **select**, and **poll** subroutines are supported by the console device driver and may be used with the **/dev/console** special file. These subroutines are redirected to the device or file serving as the current system console device by the console device driver.

open and close Subroutines

When an **open** subroutine call is issued to the console device driver, it is redirected to the device or file currently chosen as the console device. If the system console choice is a file, the file is opened with the *append* and *create* options when the first open of the **dev/console** file is received. Subsequent opens have no effect when the console selection is a file. However, the opens are then passed to the device driver supporting the device chosen as the console.

If the console selection has been temporarily switched using the **swcons** command and the first open of the new underlying device fails, the console device driver switches back to the console device or file with which the system was booted. This prevents important system messages from being lost.

An *ext* parameter passed using the **openx** subroutine is passed to the device driver supporting the console target or else ignored. (The latter is true if the console selection is a file.)

The **close** subroutine support is standard.

select, poll, and ioctl Subroutines

The **select**, **poll**, and **ioctl** subroutines are redirected to the current system console device when the console selection is not a file. If the selected console device is a file, the console device driver returns an error indicating that the subroutine is not supported.

An *ext* parameter passed to the **ioctlx** subroutine is then passed to the device driver supporting the console target, or else ignored. (The latter is true if the console selection is a file.)

read and write Subroutines

The **write** subroutine calls are redirected to the current console device or file. If the console selection has been temporarily switched using the **swcons** command, and the write to the targeted device or file is unsuccessful, the console device driver switches back to the console device or file from which the system was started and tries the write again. This prevents important system messages from being lost in case the temporary console target is unavailable or unsuccessful. The console device driver should stay connected to the original system device until another **swcons** command is issued.

If the current console selection is a device, it redirects the **read** subroutine call. If the current console selection is a file, the **read** call is rejected with an error (**EACCES**).

An *ext* parameter passed to the **readx** or **writex** subroutine is passed to the device driver supporting the console target, or else ignored. (The latter is true if the console selection is a file.)

Note: The EIO errors resulting from the console write function are restricted. Because when a tty attached to a modem gets disconnected, the streams file is marked. The console redirects any writes to the console to where the console points to. Then, any writes to the file descriptor are returned with EIO errors. These EIO errors continue until some process reopens the console. Therefore, the EIO errors are restricted in certain situation when the connection to the console is lost.

Console Output Logging

All output sent to the console is logged to a system log file. Only output sent to the console is logged. Any output sent to a device acting as the console is not logged. This means that system informational, error, and intervention-required messages are captured (logged), while other types of output seen at the console are not; e.g., getty output, smitty output, user interaction at the console device, etc.

The log file is based on the **alog** format; this format allows the file to wrap after it attains a predetermined maximum size. The **alog** command is typically used to view the console log file. The console log file deviates from the normal **alog** format in that each record of the file contains, in addition to the logged text, the user id who wrote to the console and the epoch time when it was written. The epoch time is formatted and displayed in the user's locale date and time when the file is output by the **alog** command.

When the console device is configured or when any modification is made to the console log file, ownership of the file is set to root and permissions are set to 620. The root user can modify the ownership or permissions, but they will not persist across boots.

The **swcons** command is used to make changes to console logging parameters during system operation; these changes are rescinded at the next console device configuration (typically reboot), and the original console logging parameters are reinstated.

The **chcons** command is used to make changes to the console logging parameters for the next console device configuration (typically reboot). These changes do not apply to the current running system.

The console logging facility can also be configured using the **alog** command. When the **alog -C** flag is used, changes are effective in the current running system and are persistent across boots. When the **-s** flag is used (without) the **-C** to change the file size, the file is changed immediately but this change is not saved in the ODM and is not persistent across boots.

The parameters that control the console logging facility are the pathname of the log file, the maximum size of the log file, and the verbosity index for logging. Restrictions on these parameters are:

- the log file path must be absolute
- the maximum file size must not exceed the current free space of the file system on which it is stored (and the user entered value is rounded up to the nearest 4K boundary)
- verbosity values are 0-9 with any value greater than 0 indicating that all console output is to be recorded.

Console Output Tagging

A facility is provided to prefix each console output message with the effective user ID of the user that sent the message to the console. Only output sent to the console is tagged, any output sent to the device acting as the console is not.

Both the **swcons** command and the **chcons** commands can be used to enable and disable console output tagging with the same caveats about the persistence of the values applying as mentioned above in Console Output Logging.

The console output tagging verbosity value is limited to the range 0-9. Any value greater than 0 causes all console output to be tagged.

Console Special File Limitation

The Error Input/Output (EIO) errors are restricted in some cases when the connection to the console is lost. The EIO errors that result from the console write function are restricted because the streams file is marked when a **tty** device that is connected to a modem is disconnected. All write operations to the console are redirected to where the console points and writes operation to the file descriptor are returned with EIO errors. These EIO errors continue until a process reopens the console.

Files

Item	Description
/dev/null	Provides access to the null device.

Related reference

[consdef File](#)

Related information

[chcons command](#)

[getty command](#)

[close subroutine](#)

[read subroutine](#)

dials Special File

Purpose

Provides access to the dials.

Description

The **dials** special file is the application interface to the dials. It allows the applications to receive operator input from the dials and to set the granularity of the dials.

Configuration

Standard configuration methods are provided for the **dials** special file. The user cannot enter configurable attributes by way of the command line.

Usage Considerations

open

An [open](#) subroutine call specifying the **dials** special file is processed normally except that the *Oflag* and *Mode* parameters are ignored. An open request is rejected if the special file is already opened or if a kernel extension attempts to open the **dials** special file. All dials inputs are flushed following an open call until an input ring is established.

read and write

The **dials** special file does not support read or write subroutine calls. Input data is obtained from the dials via the input ring. The read and write subroutine calls behave the same as read or write to **/dev/null**. See "LFT Input Ring" in *Kernel Extensions and Device Support Programming Concepts* for how to use the input ring.

ioctl

The dials special file supports the following [ioctl](#) operations:

Item	Description
IOCINFO	Returns the devinfo structure.
DIALREGRING	Registers input ring.
DIALRFLUSH	Flushes input ring.
DIALSETGRAND	Sets dial granularity.

Error Codes

The error codes can be found in the **/usr/include/sys/errno.h** file.

Item	Description
EFAULT	Indicates insufficient authority to access address or invalid address.
EIO	Indicates I/O error.
ENOMEM	Indicates insufficient memory for required paging operation.
ENOSPC	Indicates insufficient file system or paging space.
EINVAL	Indicates invalid argument specified.
EINTR	Indicates request interrupted by signal.
EPERM	Indicates a permanent error occurred.
EBUSY	Indicates device busy.
ENXIO	Indicates unsupported device number.
ENODEV	Indicates unsupported device or device type mismatch.

Files

Item	Description
/usr/include/sys/inputdd.h	Contains declarations for ioctl commands and input ring report format.

Related reference

[GIO Special File](#)
[kbd Special File](#)
[lpfk Special File](#)
[tablet Special File](#)

Related information

[write subroutine](#)

dump Special File

Purpose

Supports system dump.

Syntax

```
#include <sys/dump.h>
```

Description

The **/dev/sysdump** and **/dev/sysdumpctl** special files support system dumping. Minor device 0 of the **sysdump** driver provides the interfaces for the system dump routine to write data to the dump device. The **sysdump** driver also provides interfaces for querying or assigning the dump devices and initiating a dump.

Related information

[dmp_ctl subroutine](#)
[RAS Kernel Services](#)

entn Special File

Purpose

Provides access to Ethernet high-performance LAN adapters by way of the Ethernet device handler.

Description

The `/dev/entn` character special file provides access to the Ethernet device handler for the purpose of providing access to an Ethernet LAN. The device handler supports up to four adapters, each of which may be running either or both of the standard Ethernet and IEEE 802.3 protocols.

Usage Considerations

When accessing the Ethernet device handler, the following should be taken into account:

Driver Initialization and Termination

The device handler can be loaded and unloaded. The handler supports the configuration calls to initialize and terminate itself.

Special File Support

Calls other than the `open` and `close` subroutines are discussed based on the mode in which the device handler is operating.

Subroutine Support

The Ethernet device handler supports the `open` and `close`, `read`, and `write` subroutines in the following manner:

open and close Subroutines

The device handler supports the `/dev/entn` special file as a character-multiplex special file. The special file must be opened for both reading and writing (`O_RDWR`). However, there are no particular considerations for closing the special file. The special file name used in an `open` call depends upon how the device is to be opened. Types of special file names are:

Item	Description
<code>/dev/entn</code>	An <code>open</code> call to this device is used to start the device handler for the selected port, where the value of n is $0 \leq n \leq 7$.
<code>/dev/entn/D</code>	An <code>open</code> call to this device is used to start the device handler for the selected port in diagnostic mode, where the value of n is $0 \leq n \leq 7$.

read Subroutine

Can take the form of a `read`, `readx`, `readv`, or `readvx` subroutine. For this call, the device handler copies the data into the buffer specified by the caller.

write Subroutine

Can take the form of a `write`, `writex`, `writev`, or `writevx` subroutine. For this call, the device handler copies the user data into a buffer and transmits the data on the LAN.

Error Codes

The following error codes may be returned when accessing the device handler through the `dev/entn` special file:

Item	Description
EACCES	Permission to access the port is denied for one of the following reasons: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The device has not been initialized. • The request to open the device in Diagnostic mode is denied. • The call is from a kernel mode process.
EAFNOSUPPORT	The address family is not supported by the protocol, or the multicast bit in the address is not set.
EAGAIN	The transmit queue is full.
EBUSY	The request is denied because the device is already opened in Diagnostic mode, or the maximum number of opens was reached.
EEXIST	The define device structure (DDS) already exists.
EFAULT	An address or parameter was specified that is not valid.
EINTR	A subroutine call was interrupted.
EINVAL	A range or operation code that is not valid was specified, or the device is not in Diagnostic mode.
EIO	An I/O error occurred.
ENOBUFS	No buffers are available.
ENOCONNECT	A connection was not established.
ENODEV	The device does not exist.
ENOENT	There is no DDS to delete.
ENOMEM	The device does not have enough memory.
ENOMSG	No message of desired type was available.
ENOSPC	No space is left on the device (the multicast table is full).
ENOTREADY	The device is not ready, a CIO_START operation was not issued, or the operation was issued but did not complete.
ENXIO	The device does not exist, or the maximum number of adapters was exceeded.
EUNATCH	The protocol driver is not attached.

Related information

[close subroutine](#)

[write subroutine](#)

Error Logging Special Files

Purpose

Support error logging.

Description

The **error** and **errorctl** special files support the logging of error events. Minor device 0 (zero) of the **error** special file is the interface between processes that log error events and the **errdemon** (error daemon). Error records are written to the **error** special file by the **errlog** library routine and the **errsave** and **errlast** kernel services. The **error** special file timestamps each error record entry.

The error daemon opens **error** file for reading. Each read retrieves an entire error record. The format of error records is described in the **erec.h** header file.

Each time an error is logged, the error ID, the resource name, and the time stamp are recorded in nonvolatile random access memory (NVRAM). Therefore, in the event of a system crash, the last logged error is not lost. When the **error** file is restarted, the last error entry is retrieved from NVRAM.

The standard device driver interfaces (open, close, read, and write) are provided for the **error** file. The **error** file has no **ioctl** functions.

The **ioctl** function interface for the **error** special file is provided by the **errorctl** special file. This interface supports stopping the error logging system, synchronizing the error logging system, and querying the status of the error special file.

Related information

[errclear command](#)

[errlog subroutine](#)

[errsave and errlast subroutine](#)

[RAS Kernel Services](#)

fd Special File

Purpose

Provides access to the diskette device driver.

Description

The **fd** special file provides block and character (raw) access to diskettes in the diskette drives. The special file name usually specifies both the drive number and the format of the diskette. The exceptions are **/dev/fd0** and **/dev/fd1**, which specify diskette drives 0 and 1, respectively, without specifying their formats.

The generic special files **/dev/fd0** and **/dev/fd1** determine the diskette type automatically for both drive 0 and drive 1. First, the device-driver attempts to read the diskette using the characteristics of the default diskette for the drive type. If this fails, the device-driver changes its characteristics and attempts to read until it has read the diskette successfully or until it has tried all the possibilities supported for the drive type by the device driver.

An **r** prefix on a special file name means that the drive is accessed as a raw device rather than a block device. Performing raw I/O with a diskette requires that all data transfers be in multiples of the diskette sector length. Also, all **lseek** subroutine calls made to the raw diskette device driver must result in a file offset value that is a multiple of the sector size. For the diskette types supported, the sector length is always 512 bytes.

Note: The diskette device driver does not perform read verification of data that is written to a diskette.

Types of Diskettes Supported

The **fd** special file supports three diskette drives: the 1.2MB, 5.25-inch diskette drive, and the 1.44MB and 2.88MB, 3.5-inch diskette drives. All **fd** special file names (except the generic special files **/dev/fd0**, **/dev/fd1**, **/dev/rfd0**, and **/dev/rfd1**) contain suffixes that dictate how a diskette is to be treated. These special file names have a format of *PrefixXY*, where the *Prefix*, *X*, and *Y* variables have the following meanings:

Item	Description
<i>Prefix</i>	Special file type. Possible values are fd and rfd , where the r indicates raw access to the special file.
<i>X</i>	Drive number indicator. Possible values of 0 and 1 indicate drives 0 and 1, respectively.

Item	Description
Y	Diskette format indicator. Possible values depend on the type of diskette being used. Either a single character or a decimal point followed by numeric characters is allowed. Possible values are:
h	Highest density supported by the drive type
l	Lowest density supported by the drive type
.9	9 sectors per track (all three drive types)
.15	15 sectors per track (1.2MB, 5.25-inch drive only)
.18	18 sectors per track (both 3.5-inch drive types)
.36	36 sectors per track (2.88MB, 3.5-inch drive only)

1.44MB, 3.5-inch Diskette Special Files

Ten different special files are available for use with the 1.44MB, 3.5-inch diskette drive. The default diskette type assumed for this drive type is a double-sided, 80-cylinder, 18 sectors-per-track diskette.

An **h** or **.18** as the suffix of the special file name (for example, `/dev/rfd0h` or `/dev/fd0.18`) forces a diskette to be treated as a double-sided, 80-cylinder, 18 sectors-per-track diskette. An **l** or **.9** as the suffix of the special file name (for example, `/dev/fd1l` or `/dev/rfd0.9`) forces a diskette to be treated as a double-sided, 80-cylinder, 9 sectors-per-track diskette.

2.88MB, 3.5-inch Diskette Special Files

Twelve different special files are available for use with the 2.88MB, 3.5-inch diskette drive. The default diskette type assumed for this drive type is a double-sided, 80-cylinder, 36 sectors-per-track diskette.

An **h** or **.36** as the suffix of the special file name (for example, `/dev/fd1h` or `/dev/fd0.36`) forces a diskette to be treated as a double-sided, 80-cylinder, 36 sectors-per-track diskette. An **l** or **.9** as the suffix of the special file name (for example, `/dev/rfd0l` or `/dev/fd1.9`) forces a diskette to be treated as a double-sided, 80-cylinder, 9 sectors-per-track diskette. A suffix of **.18** (for example, `/dev/fd1.18`) forces a diskette to be treated as a double-sided, 80-cylinder, 18-sectors-per-track diskette.

1.2MB, 5.25-inch Diskette Special Files

Ten different special files are available for use with the 1.2MB, 5.25-inch diskette drive. The default diskette type assumed for this drive type is a double-sided, 80-cylinder, 15 sectors-per-track diskette.

An **h** or **.15** as the suffix of the special file name (for example, `/dev/rfd1h` or `/dev/fd0.15`) forces a diskette to be treated as a double-sided, 80-cylinder, 15 sectors-per-track diskette. An **l** or **.9** as the suffix of the special file name (for example, `/dev/fd0l` or `/dev/rfd1.9`) forces a diskette to be treated as a double-sided, 80-cylinder, 9 sectors-per-track diskette.

Note: Regardless of the diskette drive type, an **h** as the suffix of the special file name forces a diskette to be treated as the highest capacity diskette supported by the drive type. When an **l** is used as the suffix of the special file name, the diskette is treated as the lowest capacity diskette supported by the drive type.

Usage Considerations

When using subroutines with the **fd** special file, consider the following items:

Item

open and close subroutines

read and write subroutines

ioctl subroutines

Description

Only one process at a time can issue an **open** subroutine to gain access to a particular drive. However, all child processes created by a parent process that successfully opens a diskette drive inherit the open diskette drive.

No special considerations.

The possible **ioctl** operations and their descriptions are:

IOCINFO

Returns a **devinfo** structure (defined in the **/usr/include/sys/devinfo.h** file) that describes the device.

FDIOCSINFO

Sets the characteristics of the device driver diskette to the values passed in the **fdinfo** structure, as defined in the **/usr/include/sys/fd.h** file.

FDIOCGINFO

Gets the device-driver diskette characteristics and returns the values in the **fdinfo** structure, as defined in the **/usr/include/sys/fd.h** file.

FDIOCFORMAT

Formats a diskette track. The diskette is formatted using data passed in an array of bytes. The length of this array is four times the number of sectors per track on the diskette. The reason for this is that 4 bytes of data must be passed in for every sector on the track. The 4 bytes contain, in this order, the cylinder number, the side number (0 or 1), the sector number, and the number of bytes per sector. This pattern must be repeated for every sector on the track.

The diskette characteristics used during formatting are whatever values are in the device driver when it receives the format command. These characteristics need to be set to the desired values prior to issuing the **format** command. There are three ways to do this:

- Open the diskette driver using one of the format-specific special files. As a result, the diskette characteristics for the driver will be those of the diskette indicated by the special file.
- Open the diskette driver using one of the generic special files. In this case, the diskette characteristics will be the default characteristics for that driver.
- Set the characteristics explicitly using the **FDIOCSINFO** **ioctl** operation.

For formatting, the diskette driver should be opened only when the **O_NDELAY** flag is set. Otherwise, the driver will attempt to determine the type of diskette in the drive, causing the open to fail.

Related information

[close subroutine](#)

[read subroutine](#)

fddin Special File

Purpose

Provides access to the FDDI device driver by way of the FDDI device handler.

Description

The **fddin** special file provides access to the FDDI device handler that provides access to a FDDI local area network.

When accessing the FDDI device driver, the following information should be taken into account.

Driver Initialization and Termination

The device driver can be loaded and unloaded. The device driver supports the configuration calls to initialize and terminate itself.

Special File Support

Subroutine calls other than those made with the [open](#) and [close](#) subroutines are discussed based on the mode in which the device driver is operating.

Subroutine Support

The FDDI device driver provides specific support for the [open](#), [close](#), [read](#), [write](#), [ioctl](#), [select](#), and [poll](#) subroutines.

The device driver supports the **/dev/fddin** special file as a character-multiplex special file. The special file must be opened for both reading and writing. There are no particular considerations for closing the special file. The special file name used in an open call differs depending upon how the device is to be opened. Types of special file names are:

Item	Description
/dev/fddin	Starts the device driver for the selected port.
/dev/fddin/D	Starts the device driver for the selected port in Diagnostic mode.
/dev/fddin/C	Starts the device driver for the selected port in Diagnostic Configuration mode.

Error Codes

The following error conditions may be encountered when accessing the FDDI device driver through the **/dev/fddin** special file. The error codes can be found in the **/usr/include/sys/errno.h** file.

Item	Description
ENODEV	Indicates that an invalid minor number was specified.
EINVAL	Indicates that an invalid parameter was specified.
ENOMEM	Indicates that the device driver was unable to allocate the required memory.
EINTR	Indicates that a system call was interrupted.
EPERM	Indicates that the Diagnostic mode open request was denied because the device was already open.
EACCES	Indicates one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• A non-privileged user tried to open the device in Diagnostic mode.• An illegal call from a kernel-mode user.• An illegal call from a user-mode user.

Item	Description
ENETDOWN	Indicates one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The network is down. The device is unable to process the requested operation. • An unrecoverable hardware error.
ENETUNREACH	Indicates that the device is in Network Recovery mode and is unable to process the requested operation.
ENOCCONNECT	Indicates that the device has not been started.
EAGAIN	Indicates that the transmit queue is full.
EFAULT	Indicates that an invalid address was supplied.
EIO	Indicates an error. See the status field for detailed information.
EMSGSIZE	Indicates that the data was too large to fit into the receive buffer and that no <i>ext</i> parameter was supplied to provide an alternate means of reporting this error with a status of CIO_BUF_OVFLW .

Related information

[close subroutine](#)

[select subroutine](#)

GIO Special File

Purpose

Provides access to the graphics I/O (GIO) adapter.

Description

The **GIO** special file is the application interface to the GIO adapter. The **GIO** special file provides applications with the ability to determine what I/O devices are attached to the GIO adapter.

Configuration

Standard configuration methods are provided for the **GIO** special file. User configurable attributes for the **GIO** special file do not exist.

Usage Considerations

The **open** subroutine call specifying the **GIO** special file is processed normally except that the *Oflag* and *Mode* parameters are ignored. An **open** request is rejected if the special file is already opened or if a kernel extension attempts to open the **GIO** special file.

Calls to the **read** and **write** routines behave as if the call was made to the **/dev/null** file.

The **GIO** special file supports the following functions with **ioctl**s:

Item	Description
IOCINFO	Returns the devinfo structure.
GIOQUERYID	Returns the identifier of device connected to the GIO adapter.

Error Codes

The following error codes can be found in the **/usr/include/sys/errno.h** file:

Item	Description
EFAULT	Indicates insufficient authority to access address or invalid address.
EIO	Indicates an I/O error.
ENOMEM	Indicates insufficient memory for required paging operation.
ENOSPC	Indicates insufficient file system or paging space.
EINVAL	Indicates that an invalid argument was specified.
EINTR	Indicates a request interrupted by signal.
EPERM	Indicates a permanent error occurred.
EBUSY	Indicates the device is busy.
ENXIO	Indicates an unsupported device number.
ENODEV	Indicates an unsupported device or device type mismatch occurred.

Files

Item	Description
/usr/include/sys/inputdd.h	Contains the ioctl commands.

Related reference

[dials Special File](#)

[lpfk Special File](#)

Related information

[close subroutine](#)

ide Special File

Purpose

Provides access to the Integrated Device Electronics (IDE) adapter driver.

Description

The **ide** special file provides an interface to an attached IDE Bus. This special file should not be opened directly by application programs. The **/dev/ide0**, **/dev/ide1**, ... **/dev/iden** files are the **ide** special files.

kbd Special File

Purpose

Provides access to the natively attached keyboard.

Description

The **kbd** special file is the interface to the native keyboard. It provides an interface through which applications can receive operator input from the keyboard, control the keyboard LED's, and changing various keyboard parameters. The special file also allows an application to send an audible signal to the operator via the speaker located within the keyboard.

Configuration

The sound volume, click volume, typematic rate and typematic delay are configurable by the application through the **ioctl** subroutine. These changes are not reflected in the ODM database. To change these attributes in the ODM database, use the **chhwkbd** command.

Usage Considerations

open

This subroutine call creates a channel between the application and the natively attached keyboard. Two channels are supported. The open subroutine call is processed normally except that the *MODE* and *Oflag* parameters are ignored. All keyboard input is flushed until an input ring is established. Only the input ring associated with the most recent open receives input reports.

close

When the **kbd** device has been opened twice, input is reported through the input ring registered previous to the first **open**, after the **close** subroutine call.

read and write

The keyboard device driver does not return nor accept data via **read** and **write**. These calls behave as if the call was made to **/dev/null**. Input data is received from the input drivers via the input ring.

ioctl

The keyboard device driver supports the following ioctl commands:

Item	Description
IOCINFO	Return devinfo structure.
KSALARM	Sound alarm.
KSCFGCLICK	Control keyboard click.
KSDIAGMODE	Enable/disable diagnostics mode (user mode only).
KSLED	Set/reset keyboard LED's.
KSKAP	Enable/disable keep alive poll (user mode only).
KSKAPACK	Acknowledge keep alive poll (user mode only).
KSQUERYID	Query keyboard device identifier.
KSQUERYSV	Query keyboard service vector (kernel mode only).
KSREGRING	Register input ring.
KSRFLUSH	Flush input ring.
KSTDELAY	Set typematic delay.
KSTRATE	Set typematic rate.
KSVOLUME	Set alarm volume

Error Codes

The error codes can be found in the **/usr/include/sys/errno.h** file.

Item	Description
EFAULT	indicates insufficient authority to access address or invalid address.
EIO	indicates that an I/O error occurred.

Item	Description
ENOMEM	indicates there was insufficient memory for required paging operation.
ENOSPC	indicates there was insufficient file system or paging space.
EINVAL	indicates that an invalid argument was specified.
EINTR	indicates the request was interrupted by signal.
EPERM	indicates that a permanent error occurred.
EBUSY	indicates the device is busy.
ENXIO	indicates unsupported device number was specified.
ENODEV	indicates an unsupported device or device type mismatch.

Files

Item	Description
/usr/include/sys/inputdd.h	Contains declarations for ioctl commands and input ring report format.

Related reference

[dials Special File](#)

[lft Special File](#)

Related information

[close subroutine](#)

[write subroutine](#)

lft Special File

Purpose

Provides character-based terminal support for the local graphics display and keyboard.

Description

The **lft** file is the application interface to the "[Low Function Terminal \(LFT\) Subsystem](#)". It provides support for a VT100-like terminal which is associated with the local graphics display and keyboard. It provides only character operations and is designed to be used during system installation, startup, shutdown, and stand-alone diagnostics.

The terminal supports a single logical screen size of 80 characters and 25 lines and a single color. Dynamic Logical Partitioning is not supported, configuration changes take effect at the next system startup. In the cases when multiple fonts may be used to achieve the 80x25 screen size, the user may set which font is used with the next system restart. See "LFT User Commands" for details of the available commands.

When multiple displays are available, the LFT Subsystem initially uses the default display. The user may change to another display and set the default display. See "LFT User Commands" for details of the available commands.

Usage Considerations

The LFT device driver supports the **lft** special file. The device driver is a streams based driver. It handles only the system attached keyboard and graphics displays.

Sharing Displays with Graphic Subsystem

Certain LFT **ioctl** commands allow graphics subsystems to obtain exclusive use of the displays, a right initially held by the LFT. However, this is done by the Rendering Context Manager (RCM) on behalf of the graphics subsystem. See ["Rendering Context Manager"](#) for details of the procedure for becoming a *graphics process*.

Subroutine Support

The **lft** special file supports the **open**, **close**, **read**, **write**, and **ioctl** subroutines.

ioctl system call

The functions performed by the **ioctl** commands fall into three categories:

- [Sharing devices between the lft and a graphic subsystem](#)
- [Query information about configured displays and keyboard devices](#)
- [Compatibility with the common tty ioctl commands](#)

Sharing devices

Item	Description
IOCINFO	The IOCINFO ioctl operation is defined for all device drivers that use the ioctl subroutine. The IOCINFO operation returns a devinfo structure, which is defined in the devinfo.h file.
LFT_SET_DEFLT_DISP	Sets the default display.
LFT_ACQ_DISP	Acquire display for exclusive use.
LFT_REL_DISP	Release display.
LFT_DIAG_OWNER	Acquire display for diagnostics.

Query information about configured displays and keyboard devices

Item	Description
LFT_QUERY_LFT	Query common LFT information.
LFT_QUERY_DISP	Query display information.

Compatibility with the common tty ioctl commands

TCSAK
TCGETA
TCSETAW
TCSETAF
TCSETA
TIOCGWINSZ
TIOCSWINSZ
TIOCTTYNAME
TSCBRK

Related reference

[rcm Special File](#)

[kbd Special File](#)

Related information

[Low Function Terminal \(LFT\) Subsystem Overview](#)

lp Special File

Purpose

Provides access to the line printer device driver.

Description

The **lp** driver provides an interface to the port used by a printer.

Printer Modes

The **lp** driver interprets carriage returns, backspaces, line feeds, tabs, and form feeds in accordance with the modes that are set in the driver (through the **splp** command or configuration). The number of lines per page, columns per line, and the indentation at the beginning of each line can also be selected. The default for these modes can be found using the **lsattr** command. The following modes can be set with the **LPRMODS** [ioctl](#) operation:

Item	Description
PLOT	<p>Determines if the data stream is interpreted by the device driver when formatting the text. If the PLOT mode is off, the text is formatted using the current values set with the LPRSET ioctl operation.</p> <p>If the PLOT mode is set, no interpretation of the data stream is performed and the bytes are sent to the printer without modification. Setting the PLOT mode causes other formatting modes, such as NOFF and NOFL, to be ignored. The default printer backend, piobe, sends all output in PLOT mode.</p> <p>When in PLOT mode, the application must send a final form-feed character. If the last write operation was performed while not in PLOT mode, the final form-feed character will be sent by the device driver.</p>
NOFF	<p>If this mode is on, each form-feed character is replaced with a line-feed character, based on the current line value set with the LPRSET ioctl operation. This mode is ignored if the PLOT mode is active.</p>
NONL	<p>If this mode is on, each line-feed character is replaced with a carriage return. This mode is ignored if the PLOT mode is active.</p>
NOCL	<p>If this mode is off, a carriage return is inserted after each line-feed character. If the mode is on, no carriage return is inserted after the line-feed character. This mode is ignored if the PLOT mode is active.</p>
NOTAB	<p>If this mode off, 8 position tabs are simulated using spaces. If the NOTAB mode is on, the tab character is replaced with a space. This mode is ignored if the PLOT mode is active.</p>
NOBS	<p>If this mode off, backspaces are sent to the printers. If the NOBS mode is on, the backspace is simulated by sending a carriage return followed by spaces to the proper print position. This mode is ignored if the PLOT mode is active.</p>
NOCR	<p>If this mode on, each carriage return is replaced with a line-feed character. This mode is ignored if the PLOT mode is active.</p>
CAPS	<p>If this mode on, lowercase characters are converted to uppercase. This mode is ignored if the PLOT mode is active.</p>
WRAP	<p>If this mode off, the line is truncated at the right margin and any characters received past the right margin are discarded. If the WRAP mode is on, the characters received after the right margin are printed on the next line preceded by ... (ellipsis). This mode is ignored if the PLOT mode is active.</p>

Item	Description
FONTINIT	<p>The FONTINIT mode is initially off. It is turned on by an application when a printer font has been initialized. It can be turned off in the following two cases:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An application needs fonts to be reinitialized. • A fatal printer error occurs. In this case, the lp device driver turns the FONTINIT mode off.
RPTERR	<p>If the RPTERR mode is off and an error occurs, the device driver does not return until the error has been cleared or a cancel signal is received. If the RPTERR mode is on, the device driver waits the amount of time specified by a previous LPRSTOV ioctl operation and then returns with an error.</p>
IGNOREPE	<p>If IGNOREPE mode is on, the device driver allows writes to the device regardless of the state of the PE (paper-end) line on the parallel interface. An application can make use of this mode, for example, to change the paper tray of a printer under software control when detecting that the printer is out of paper.</p>

Error Handling When the RPTERR Mode Is Off

If the RPTERR mode is off, no error reporting is performed. The device driver waits for the error to be cleared or a cancel signal to be received before returning to the application. RPTERR is the default mode and is intended for existing applications that do not perform error recovery.

If a signal is received by the device driver, the current operation is returned incomplete with an **EINTR** error code.

If printing is canceled and the printer is in PLOT mode, it is the application must send the final form-feed character to eject the partial page. If the printer is not in PLOT mode, the final form-feed character after cancelation will be sent by the device driver.

Error Handling When the RPTERR Mode Is On

If the RPTERR mode is on, the device driver will wait for the time specified in the **v_timeout** configuration parameter and then return the uncompleted operation with an error code. This return allows the application to get the printer status and possibly display an error message.

Note: When a device driver returns an incomplete operation with an error code (as previously described), the application must resend any data not printed.

Usage Considerations

Device-Dependent Subroutines

Most printer operations are implemented using the **open**, **read**, **write**, and **close** subroutines. However, these subroutines provide little or no information to the calling program about the configuration and state of the printer. The **ioctl** subroutine provides a more device-specific interface to the printer device driver.

Most of these subroutines pass data contained in structures. In all cases, a structure of the type indicated should be allocated in the calling routine. A pointer to this structure should then be passed to the device driver.

open and close Subroutines

If an adapter for a printer is not installed, an attempt to open fails. If the printer adapter is busy, the **open** subroutine returns an error. However, all child processes created by a parent process that successfully opens the **lp** special file inherit the open printer.

The driver allows multiple **open** subroutines to occur if they all have a *mode* parameter value of read-only. Thus, the **splp** command can perform inquiries when the printer adapter is currently in use. The **lp** driver allows only one process to write to a printer adapter at a time.

The **close** subroutine waits until all output completes before returning to the user.

read and write Subroutines

The **read** subroutine is not implemented for the native I/O parallel port.

When printing to a parallel printer that is offline, the **write** subroutine may return one fewer than the actual number of bytes that are buffered and ready to be written when the printer is put back online. This is used as a mechanism to indicate to the calling application that there is a problem with the printer requiring user intervention, possibly allowing the user to put the printer online and continue with printing. In this situation, no error is returned by the **write** subroutine.

ioctl Subroutine

The possible **ioctl** operations and their descriptions are:

Item	Description
IOCINFO	Returns a structure defined in the /usr/include/sys/devinfo.h file, which describes the device.
LPQUERY	Provides access to the printer status. Refer to the /usr/include/sys/lpio.h file for value definitions. The types of errors are the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The printer is out of paper.• No select bit: the printer may be turned off or not installed.• The printer is busy.• The printer is unknown.
LPRGET	Returns the page length, width and indentation values. These values are used by the device driver when PLOT mode is not set. The default printer backend, piobe , sends all print jobs with PLOT mode set. The LPRGET operation uses the lprio structure, as defined in the /usr/include/sys/lpio.h file.
LPRGETA	Gets the RS232 parameters. These are the values for baud rate, character rate, character size, stop bits and parity. Refer to the LPR232 structure and to the termio structure, as defined in the termios.h file. Note: This operation is supported for compatibility reasons. The use of the tcgetattr subroutine is recommended.
LPRGTOV	Gets the current time-out value and stores it in the lptimer structure defined in the /usr/include/sys/lpio.h file. The time-out value is measured in seconds.
LPRMODG	Gets the printer modes. These printer modes support the various formatting options and error reporting. This ioctl operation uses the LPRMOD structure, as defined in the /usr/include/sys/lpio.h file.
LPRMODS	Sets the <u>printer modes</u> . These printer modes support the various formatting options and error reporting. This ioctl operation uses the LPRMOD structure, as defined in the /usr/include/sys/lpio.h file.
LPRSET	Sets the page length, width and indent values. These values are used by the device driver when PLOT mode is not set. The default printer backend, piobe , sends all print jobs with PLOT mode set. The LPRSET operation uses the lprio structure, as defined in the /usr/include/sys/lpio.h file.
LPRSETA	Sets the RS232 parameters. These are the values for baud rate, character rate, character size, stop bits and parity. Refer to the LPR232 structure and to the termio structure, as defined in the termios.h header file. Note: This operation is supported for compatibility reasons. The use of the tcsetattr subroutine is recommended.
LPRSTOV	Sets the time-out value. The <i>arg</i> parameter to this ioctl operation points to a lptimer structure defined in the /usr/include/sys/lpio.h file. The time-out value must be given in seconds.

Related information

Printer Addition Management Subsystem: Programming Overview

[piobe command](#)

[write subroutine](#)

lpfk Special File

Purpose

Provides access to the lighted program function key (LPFK) array.

Description

The **lpfk** special file is the application interface to the lighted program function keys. It allows the application to receive operator input from the LPFKs and to illuminate and darken each key in the array.

Configuration

Standard configuration methods are provided for the **lpfk** special file. The user cannot enter configurable attributes by way of the command line.

Usage Considerations

open

An **open** subroutine call specifying the **lpfk** special file is processed normally except that the *Oflag* and *Mode* parameters are ignored. An open request is rejected if the special file is already opened or if a kernel extension attempts to open the **lpfk** special file. All LPFK inputs are flushed following an open call until an input ring is established.

read and write

The **lpfk** special file does not support **read** or **write** subroutine calls. Instead, input data is obtained from the LPFKs through the input ring. The **read** and **write** subroutine calls behave the same as **read** and **write** functions of the **/dev/null** file. See "LFT Input Ring" in *Kernel Extensions and Device Support Programming Concepts* for how to use the input ring.

ioctl

The **lpfk** special file supports the following **ioctl** operations:

Item	Description
IOCINFO	Returns the devinfo structure.
LPFKREGRING	Registers input ring.
LPFKRFLUSH	Flushes input ring.
LPFKLIGHT	Sets key lights.

Error Codes

The error codes can be found in the **/usr/include/sys/errno.h** file.

Item	Description
EFAULT	Indicates insufficient authority to access address, or invalid address.
EIO	Indicates I/O error.
ENOMEM	Indicates insufficient memory for required paging operation.
ENOSPC	Indicates insufficient file system or paging space.

Item	Description
EINVAL	Indicates invalid argument specified.
EINTR	Indicates request interrupted by signal.
EPERM	Indicates a permanent error occurred.
EBUSY	Indicates device busy.
ENXIO	Indicates unsupported device number.
ENODEV	Indicates unsupported device, or device type mismatch.

Files

Item	Description
/usr/include/sys/inputdd.h	Contains declarations for ioctl commands and input ring report format

Related reference

[GIO Special File](#)

[dials Special File](#)

Related information

[open subroutine](#)

[read subroutine](#)

lvdd Special File

Purpose

Provides access to the logical volume device driver.

Description

The logical volume device driver provides character (raw) access to logical volumes. The Logical Volume Manager associates a major number with each volume group (VG) and a minor number with each logical volume in a volume group.

Logical volume special file names can be assigned by the administrator of the system. However, **/dev/lv1**, **/dev/lv2** and **/dev/rlv1**, **/dev/rlv2** are the names conventionally chosen.

When performing character I/O, each request must start on a logical block boundary of the logical volume. The logical block size of the logical volume is the block size of the physical volume within the volume group. This means that for character I/O to a logical volume device, the offset supplied to the **[lseek](#)** subroutine must specify a multiple of logical block size. In addition, the number of bytes to be read or written, supplied to the **[read](#)** or **[write](#)** subroutine, must be a multiple of the logical block size.

Usage Considerations

Note: Data corruption, loss of data, or loss of system integrity (system crashes) will occur if devices supporting paging, logical volumes, or mounted file systems are accessed using block special files. Block special files are provided for logical volumes and disk devices on the operating system and are solely for system use in managing file systems, paging devices and logical volumes. They should not be used for other purposes. Additional information concerning the use of special files may be obtained in "Understanding I/O Access through Special Files" in *Kernel Extensions and Device Support Programming Concepts*.

open and close Subroutines

No special considerations.

Extension Word Specification for the **readx** and **writex** Subroutines

The *ext* parameter for the **readx** and **writex** extended I/O subroutines indicates specific physical or logical operations, or both. The upper 4 bits of the *ext* parameter are reserved for internal LVDD use. The value of the *ext* parameter is defined by logically ORing values from the following list, as defined in the `/usr/include/sys/lvdd.h` file:

Item	Description
WRITEV	Perform physical write verification on this request. This operation can be used only with the writex subroutine.
RORELOC	For this request, perform relocation on existing relocated defects only. Newly detected defects should not be relocated.
MWC_RCV_OP	Mirror-write-consistency recovery operation. This option is used by the recovery software to make consistent all mirrors with writes outstanding at the time of the crash.
NOMWC	Inhibit mirror-write-consistency recovery for this request only. This operation can only be used with the writex subroutine.
AVOID_C1, AVOID_C2, AVOID_C3	For this request, avoid the specified mirror. This operation can only be used with the readx subroutine.
RESYNC_OP	For this request, synchronize the specified logical track group (LTG). This operation can only be used with the readx subroutine and must be the only operation. When synchronizing a striped logical volume, the data returned is not usable by the application because the logical track group is not read on a striped basis.
LV_READ_BACKUP	Read only the mirror copy that is designated as the backup mirror copy.
LV_WRITE_BACKUP	Write only the mirror copy that is designated as the backup mirror copy.
LV_READ_ONLY_C1	Read only copy one of the data.
LV_READ_ONLY_C2	Read only copy two of the data.
LV_READ_ONLY_C3	Read only copy three of the data.
LV_READ_STALE_C1	Read only copy one of the data even if it is stale.
LV_READ_STALE_C2	Read only copy two of the data even if it is stale.
LV_READ_STALE_C3	Read only copy three of the data even if it is stale.

There are some restrictions when using this operation. To synchronize a whole logical partition (LP), a series of **readx** subroutines using the **RESYNC_OP** operation must be done. The series must start with the first logical track group (LTG) in the partition and proceed sequentially to the last LTG. Any deviation from this will result in an error. The length provided to each **readx** operation must be exactly 128KB (the LTG size).

Normal I/O can be done concurrently anywhere in the logical partition while the **RESYNC_OP** is in progress. If an error is returned, the series must be restarted from the first LTG. An error is returned only if resynchronization fails for every stale physical partition copy of any logical partition. Therefore, stale physical partitions are still possible at the end of synchronizing an LP.

Normal I/O operations do not need to supply the *ext* parameter and can use the **read** and **write** subroutines.

IOCINFO ioctl Operation

IOCINFO ioctl operation returns the **devinfo** structure, which is defined in the **/usr/include/sys/devinfo.h** file. The logical block size of the logical volume is the block size of the physical volume within the volume group. The values returned in this structure are defined as follows for requests to the logical volume device driver:

Item	Description
devtype	Equal to DD_DISK (as defined in the devinfo.h file)
flags	Equal to DF_RAND
devsubtype	Equal to DS_LV or DS_LVZ . The DS_LVZ devsubtype indicates that the logical volume control block will not occupy the first block of the logical volume, therefore, the space is available for application data. For oldvg format volume groups, the devsubtype of a logical volume is always DS_LV . For bigvg format volume groups, the devsubtype of a logical volume will be DS_LVZ if mk1v -T 0 was used to create the logical volume. For scalable format volume groups, the devsubtype of a logical volume is always DS_LVZ (regardless of whether or not the mk1v -T 0 flag was used to create the logical volume).
bytppsec	Bytes per block for the logical volume
secptrk	Number of blocks per logical track group
trkpcyl	Number of logical track groups per partition
numblks	Number of logical blocks in the logical volume

XLATE ioctl Operation

The **XLATE** ioctl operation translates a logical address (logical block number and mirror number) to a physical address (physical device and physical block number on that device). The caller supplies the logical block number and mirror number in the **xlate_arg** structure, which is defined in the **/usr/include/sys/lvdd.h** file. The logical block size of the logical volume is the block size of the physical volume within the volume group. This structure contains the following fields:

Item	Description
lbn	Logical block number to translate
mirror	The number of the copy for which to return a pbn (physical block number on disk). Possible values are: 1 Copy 1 (primary) 2 Copy 2 (secondary) 3 Copy 3 (tertiary)
p_devt	Physical dev_t (major/minor number of the disk)
pbn	Physical block number on disk

XLATE64 ioctl Operation

The **XLATE64** ioctl operation functions the same as the **XLATE** operation except that it uses the **xlate_arg64** structure, in which the logical and physical block numbers and the device (major/minor) number fields are 64-bit wide.

PBUFCNT ioctl Operation

The **PBUFCNT** ioctl operation increases the size of the physical buffer header, **pbuf**, pool that is used by LVM for logical-to-physical request translation. The size of this pool is determined by the number of active disks in the system, although the pool is shared for request to all disks.

The **PBUFCNT** ioctl operation can be issued to any active volume group special file, for example **/dev/VolGrpName**. The parameter passed to this ioctl is a pointer to an unsigned integer that contains the *pbufs-per-disk* value. The valid range is 16 - 128. The default value is 16. This value can only be increased and is reset to the default at IPL. The size of the **pbuf** pool is not reduced when the number of active disks in the system is decreased.

The **PBUFCNT** ioctl operation returns the following:

Item	Description
EINVAL	Indicates an invalid parameter value. The value is larger than the maximum allowed, or smaller than or equal to the current value.
EFAULT	Indicates that the copy in of the parameter failed.
LVDD_ERROR	An error occurred in allocating space for additional buffer headers.
LVDD_SUCCESS	Indicates a successful ioctl operation.

LV_INFO ioctl Operation

The LV_INFO ioctl operation returns information about the logical volume.

The caller supplies the logical volume special file in the system open call and the information is returned via the **lv_info** structure, as defined in the **/usr/include/sys/lvdd.h** file. This structure contains the following fields:

Item	Description
vg_id	Volume group ID of which the logical volume is a member
major_num	Major number of logical volume
minor_num	Minor number of the logical volume
max_lps	Maximum number of logical partitions allowed for this logical volume
current_lps	Current size of the logical volume in terms of logical partitions
mirror_policy	Specifies the type of mirroring, if the logical volume is mirrored. Valid values are parallel, sequential, striped, and striped_parallel.
permissions	Specifies whether the logical volume is read only or read-write
bb_relocation	Specifies whether bad block relocation is activated for the logical volume
write_verify	Specifies whether the write verify command for writes to the logical volume is enforced
num_blocks	Number of logical blocks that form the logical volume. The logical block size of the logical volume is the block size of the physical volume within the volume group. This value does not include mirrored logical volumes.
mwcc	Specifies which mirrored write consistency check algorithm is set, if it is active. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> MWCC_NON_ACTIVE mwcc disabled for this logical volume MWCC_ACTIVE_MODE ACTIVE mwcc algorithm set for this logical volume MWCC_PASSIVE_MODE PASSIVE mwcc algorithm set for this logical volume MWCC_PASSIVE_RECOVERY logical mirrors undergoing PASSIVE mwcc recovery after system interruption
mirr_able	Specifies whether the logical volume is capable of being mirrored

Item	Description
num_mirrors	Number of mirror copies for this logical volume
striping_width	Number of drives across which this logical volume is striped
stripe_exp	Stripe block exponent value
backup_mirror	Backup mirror mask will be zero indicating there is not a backup copy active.
AVOID_C1	For the first copy
AVOID_C2	For the second copy
AVOID_C3	For the third copy.

The LV_INFO ioctl operation returns the following:

Item	Description
EFAULT	Indicates that the copy of the parameter failed.

LVM ioctl Operations Used to Modify Single Logical Volumes

Item	Description
LV_QRYBKPCOPY	Query for designated backup mirror copy.
LV_SETBKPCOPY	Designate backup mirror copy.
LV_FSETBKPCOPY	Force new designation for backup mirror copy. Used when there are stale partitions on either the active mirror or backup mirror.
SET_SYNC_ON_RD	Causes the logical volume to go into MWCC_PASSIVE_RECOVERY mode. All reads from one mirror copy will cause non-read mirror copies to undergo a sync write.
CLR_SYNC_ON_RD	Clears the MWCC_PASSIVE_RECOVERY mode of the logical volume, if it exists. This clear should not be exercised if mirror consistency is not guaranteed.

LV_INFO64 ioctl Operation

The **LV_INFO64** ioctl operation functions the same as the **LV_INFO** operation except that it uses the **lv_info64** structure, in which the **major_num** and **minor_num** fields are 32-bit wide each and the **num_blocks** field is 64-bit wide.

LVM_CFG_ASSIST ioctl Operation

The **LVM_CFG_ASSIST** ioctl operation returns the performance statistics of a logical volume. It returns the **cfg_assist** structure, which is defined in the **/usr/include/sys/lvdd.h** file. This structure contains the following fields:

Item	Description
throughput	Average throughput of the disks in the logical volume in KB/sec. For supported storage devices, throughput is obtained from the device; otherwise, runtime throughput of the logical volume is returned.
latency	Average latency of the disks in the logical volume in milliseconds. For supported storage devices, throughput is obtained from the device; otherwise, runtime latency of the logical volume is returned.
flags	Flags to be used. For a list of valid flags, see the /usr/include/sys/lvdd.h file.

Item	Description
vg_max_transfer	The maximum transfer size of the volume group (VG), in KB. The vg_max_transfer field value is the maximum amount of data that can be transferred in one I/O request to the disks of the volume group.
write_atomicity	Write atomicity in Bytes. The write_atomicity field value is the largest number of bytes that are not broken up when they are written on aligned boundaries.

The **LVM_CFG_ASSIST** ioctl operation returns the following parameters only for supported storage devices; otherwise, it returns a null value.

Item	Description
atomicWriteAlignment	Required alignment for write atomicity in KB.
ideal_sequential_read_size	Ideal, sequential, read size of the disks under the file system in KB.
ideal_sequential_write_size	Ideal, sequential, write size of the disks under the file system in KB.
ideal_random_read_size	Ideal, random, read size of the disks under the file system in KB.
ideal_random_write_size	Ideal, random, write size of the disks under the file system in KB.
stripsize	Strip size of the disks under the file system in KB. This is the amount of data that is contiguous on a single spindle in the raid array.
stripesize	Stripesize is in KB. (Stripesize = stripsize x num spindles in raid array – parity.)
parallelism	Number of spindles that comprise the RAID device that can be concurrently read from, and written to, in parallel.

Return Values

When you complete this operation, a value of 0 is returned. If the operation fails, a value of -1 is returned and the **errno** global variable is set to one of the following values:

Item	Description
EFAULT	Indicates that the copy of the parameter failed.
ENOMEM	Indicates that the allocation of the memory failed.
EAGAIN	Indicates that the runtime statistics are unavailable for any of the physical volumes in the logical volume. Try again after more I/O has been issued to the logical volume.

FORCEOFF_VG ioctl Operation

You can force a volume group offline by the **FORCEOFF_VG** ioctl operation. You can issue this operation to any active volume group special file, for example the **/dev/VolGrpName** file. The parameter passed to this ioctl is a pointer to an integer that contains the value **FORCE_VG_OFF** as defined in the **/usr/include/sys/lvdd.h** file.

When you force the volume group offline, subsequent logical volume opens, and I/O requests and changes for volume group configuration fail. You must vary off the volume group and vary it on again to clear the forced offline condition.

If this operation is completed, a value of 0 is returned. Otherwise, a value of -1 is returned and the **errno** global variable is set to one of the following values:

Item	Description
EFAULT	Indicates that the copy-in of the parameter fails.
EINVAL	Indicates the parameter value is not valid.

Error Codes

In addition to the possible general errors returned by the **ioctl** subroutine, the following errors can also be returned from specific ioctl operation types.

Item	Description
ENXIO	The logical volume does not exist. (This error type is relevant to the IOCINFO , XLATE ioctl, and XLATE64 operations.)
ENXIO	The logical block number is larger than the logical volume size. (This error type is relevant only to the XLATE ioctl and XLATE64 ioctl operations.)
ENXIO	The copy (mirror) number is less than 1 or greater than the number of actual copies. (This error type is relevant only to the XLATE ioctl and XLATE64 ioctl operations.)
ENXIO	No physical partition has been allocated to this copy (mirror). (This error type is relevant only to the XLATE ioctl and XLATE64 ioctl operations.)

Related information

[close subroutine](#)

[write subroutine](#)

[Logical volume storage](#)

mem or kmem Special File

Purpose

Provides privileged virtual memory read and write access.

Description

Note: When incorrect access to virtual memory is made through these files, process termination, a system crash, or loss of system data integrity can result.

The **/dev/mem** and **/dev/kmem** character [special files](#) provide access to a pseudo device driver that allows read and write access to system memory or I/O address space. Typically, these special files are used by operating system utilities and commands (such as **sar**, **iostat**, and **vmstat**) to obtain status and statistical information about the system.

Note: Programs accessing these special files must have appropriate privilege. Commercial application programs should avoid using the **/dev/mem** and **/dev/kmem** files, since the virtual memory image is quite specific to the operating system level and machine platform. Use of these special files thus seriously affects the portability of the application program to other systems.

Usage Considerations

kmem Special File Access

The **kmem** special file provides access to the virtual memory address space for the current process, as it is seen by the kernel. The seek offset, set by the **lseek** subroutine, is used to specify the virtual address targeted for the read or write. The **kmem** pseudo-device driver only supports the **open**, **close**, **read**, **readx**, **writex**, and **write** subroutines.

The **knlist** system subroutine is typically used to obtain the addresses of kernel symbols to read or write through access provided by the **kmem** special file.

Before issuing a read or write operation, the **lseek** subroutine must be used to designate the relevant starting address in virtual memory. If this address is within the first two gigabytes of address space, then the **read** or **write** subroutine calls can be used. However, if the upper two gigabytes of address space are to be accessed, the **readx** and **writex** form of the subroutine calls must be used. In this case, the **ext** (extension) parameter must be set to a value of True. This causes the **lseek** offset to be interpreted relative to the upper 2 gigabytes of address space.

Note: The process address space is defined as shown in the [Implementation of mem Special File Access](#) section. This address space layout can vary on other machine platforms and versions of the operating system.

mem Special File Access

Note: Use of this special file by application programs should be strictly avoided, as it is provided for diagnostic and problem determination procedures only.

The **mem** special file access is specific to the system on which the operating system is running.

Please refer to the [Implementation of mem Special File Access](#) section for details on the function provided by this special file.

Process Address Space Regions for the /dev/kmem Special File

The "Process Address Space Map" illustrates the layout of process address space regions as accessed through the **/dev/kmem** special file on this system.

Item	Description
Lower 2 gigabytes of address space: Use read or write subroutines	Upper 4 bits of lseek offset Process Address Space Regions
	0 Primary Kernel Region
	1 User Text Region
	2 Process Private Region
	3 Attached Data Mapped Files Region
	4 Attached Data Mapped Files Region
	5 Attached Data Mapped Files Region
	6 Attached Data Mapped Files Region
	7 Attached Data Mapped Files Region
	0 Attached Data Mapped Files Region
	1 Attached Data Mapped Files Region
	2 Attached Data Mapped Files Region
	3 Attached Data Mapped Files Region
	4 Attached Data Mapped Files Region
Upper 2 gigabytes of address space: Use readx or writex subroutines with ext parameter = TRUE.	

Item	Description
5	Shared Library Text Region
6	Secondary Kernel Region
7	Shared Data Region

Implementation of mem Special File Access

The **mem** special file has traditionally provided direct access to physical memory. This capability and its interface requirements are machine-specific. However, for this operating system this function is indirectly provided by using the *ext* (extension) parameter on the **readx** and **writex** subroutine calls. When a **readx** or **writex** subroutine call associated with the **/dev/mem** special file is issued, the *ext* parameter must contain a valid segment register value as defined in the *POWERstation and POWERserver Hardware Technical Reference - General Information* documentation for the platform type(s) on which the program will be run. This allows the program to access all physical memory mapped by the page table as well as the platform-specific I/O (T=1) segments.

The seek offset set by the **lseek** subroutine call is used to specify the address offset within the segment described by the *ext* parameter. The upper four bits of the offset are not used. The pseudo-device driver only supports the **open**, **close**, **read**, **readx**, **write**, and **writex** subroutine calls. The **lseek** subroutine call must also be used before the **readx** or **writex** subroutine calls are issued, in order to specify the address offset.

If a **read** or **write** subroutine call is used with this special file, the access to memory is identical to that provided by the **/dev/kmem** special file.

The **mem** special file is part of Base Operating System (BOS) Runtime.

Files

Item	Description
/dev/mem	Provides privileged virtual memory read and write access.
/dev/kmem	Provides privileged virtual memory read and write access.

Related information

[vmstat command](#)
[close subroutine](#)
[read subroutine](#)

mouse Special File

Purpose

Provides access to the natively attached mouse.

Description

The **mouse** special file serves as an interface between the application interface and the system mouse. This special file provides the application with the ability to receive input from the mouse and allows the application to change mouse configuration parameters, such as mouse sampling rates and resolution.

Configuration

Standard configuration methods work with the mouse special file. No user configurable attribute commands exist for this special file. Applications that open the special file can modify device attribute dynamically using the appropriate ioctl interface; however, modifications are not saved in the configuration database.

Usage Considerations

The **open** subroutine call specifying the **mouse** special file is processed normally except that the *Oflag* and *Mode* parameters are ignored. The **open** request is rejected when the special file is already opened or when a kernel extension attempts to open the special file. All mouse inputs are flushed following an **open** subroutine call until an input ring is established. The mouse device is reset to the default configuration when an open request is made.

The **mouse** special file does not support the **read** or **write** subroutine calls. Instead, input data is obtained from the mouse via the input ring. The **read** and **write** subroutine calls behave the same as **read** or **write** to the **/dev/null** file.

The **mouse** special file supports the following functions with ioctls:

Item	Description
IOCINFO	Returns a devinfo structure.
MQUERYID	Returns the query mouse device identifier.
MREGRING	Specifies the address of the input ring and the value to be used as the source identifier when enqueueing reports on the ring.
MRFLUSH	Flushes the input ring.
MTHRESHOLD	Sets the mouse reporting threshold.
MRESOLUTION	Sets the mouse resolution.
MSCALE	Sets the mouse scale factor.
MSAMPLERATE	Sets the mouse sample rate.

Error Codes

The following error codes can be found in the **/usr/include/sys/errno.h** file:

Item	Description
EFAULT	Indicates insufficient authority to access an address or invalid address.
EIO	Indicates an I/O error.
ENOMEM	Indicates insufficient memory for required paging operation.
ENOSPC	Indicates insufficient file system or paging space.
EINVAL	Indicates invalid argument specified.
EINTR	Indicates that the request has been interrupted by a signal.
EPERM	Specifies a permanent error occurred.
EBUSY	Indicates a device is busy.
ENXIO	Indicates an unsupported device number.
ENODEV	Indicates an unsupported device or device type mismatch.
EACCES	Indicates that an open is not allowed.

Files

Item	Description
/usr/include/sys/inputdd.h	Contains the ioctl commands.

Related information

[close subroutine](#)

[write subroutine](#)

mpcn Special File

Purpose

Provides access to the HDLC network device driver by way of the SDLC COMIO device driver emulator.

Description

The **/dev/mpcn** character special file provides access to the HDLC network device driver via the SDLC COMIO device driver emulator in order to provide access to a synchronous network. The SDLC COMIO emulator device handler supports multiple HDLC network devices.

Usage Considerations

When accessing the SDLC COMIO emulator device handler, consider the following information.

Driver Initialization and Termination

The device handler can be loaded and unloaded. The handler supports the configuration calls to initialize and terminate itself.

Special File Support

The SDLC COMIO emulator device handler uses the **t_start_dev** and **t_chg_parms** structures defined in the **/usr/include/sys/mpqp.h** file to preserve compatibility with the existing GDLC, MPQP API, and SNA Services interface. However, only a subset of the *#define* values are supported for the following **t_start_dev** structure fields:

Item	Description
phys_link	Indicates the physical link protocol. Only one type of physical link is valid at a time. The SDLC COMIO emulator device handler supports PL_232D (EIA-232D), PL_422A (EIA-422A/v.36), PL_V35 (V.35), PL_X21 (X.21 leased only), and PL_V25 (V.25bis EIA-422A autodial).
data_proto	Identifies the data protocol. The SDLC COMIO emulator device handler supports only the SDLC DATA_PRO_SDLC_HDX (half duplex) and the DATA_PRO_SDLC_FDX (full duplex) values.
baud_rate	Specifies the baud rate for transmit and receive clocks. The SDLC COMIO emulator device handler supports only external clocking where the DCE supplies the clock, and this field should be set to zero.

Subroutine Support

The SDLC COMIO emulator device handler supports the **open**, **close**, **read**, **write**, and **ioctl** subroutines in the following manner:

open and close Subroutines

The device handler supports the **/dev/mpcn** special file as a character-multiplex special file. The special file must be opened for both reading and writing (**O_RDWR**). No special considerations exist for closing the special file.

read Subroutine

Can take the form of a **read**, **readx**, **readv**, or **readvx** subroutine call. For this call, the device handler copies the user data in to the buffer specified by the caller.

write Subroutine

Can take the form of a **write**, **writex**, **writev**, or **writevx** subroutine call. For this call, the device handler copies the user data into a buffer and transmits the data on the wide area network using the HDLC network device driver.

ioctl Subroutine

The **ioctl** subroutine supports the following flags:

Item	Description
CIO_START	Starts a session and registers a network ID.
CIO_HALT	Halts a session and removes a network ID.
CIO_QUERY	Returns the current reliability, availability, and serviceability (RAS) counter values. These values are defined in the /usr/include/sys/comio.h file.
MP_CHG_PARMS	Permits the data link control (DLC) to change certain profile parameters after the SDLC COMIO device driver emulator is started.

Error Codes

The following error codes can be returned when gaining access to the device handler through the **/dev/mpcn** special file:

Item	Description
ECHRNG	Indicates that the channel number is out of range.
EAGAIN	Indicates that the device handler cannot transmit data because of a lack of system resources, or, because an error returned from the HDLC network device driver's transmit routine.
EBUSY	Indicates that the device handler is already in use (opened/started) by another user.
EIO	Indicates that the handler cannot queue the request to the adapter.
EFAULT	Indicates that the cross-memory copy service failed.
EINTR	Indicates that a signal has interrupted the sleep.
EINVAL	Indicates one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The port is not set up properly.• The handler cannot set up structures for write.• The port is not valid.• A kernel process called a select operation.• The specified physical-link parameter is not valid for that port.• A kernel process called a read operation.
ENOMEM	Indicates one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• No mbuf or mbuf clusters are available.• The total data length is more than one page.• There is no memory for internal structures.
ENOMSG	Indicates that the status-queue pointer is null, and there are no entries.

Item	Description
ENOTREADY	Indicates that the port state in the define device structure (DDS) is not in Data Transfer mode or that the implicit halt of port failed.
ENXIO	Indicates one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The port was not started successfully. • The channel number is illegal. • The driver control block pointer is null or does not exist.

This file functions with the SDLC COMIO emulator device handler over the HDLC network device driver. It emulates the SDLC API (full and half duplex) of the Multiprotocol Quad Port (MPQP) device handler.

Related information

[close subroutine](#)

[2-Port Multiprotocol HDLC network device driver](#)

[MPQP Device Handler Interface Overview](#)

mpqi Special File

Purpose

Provides access to the Multiport Model 2 Adapter (MM2) device driver via SNA Services, GDLC, or user-written applications compatible with current MPQP Applications Programming Interface (API).

Description

The Multiport Model 2 device driver provides access to the **mpqi** special file through SNA Services, Generic Data Link Control, or through user-written applications.

Usage Considerations

When accessing the Multiport Model 2 device driver via these methods, consider the following information:

Driver Initialization and Termination

The device driver can be loaded and unloaded in the kernel in the same way as other communications device drivers. The device driver supports the configuration calls to initialize and terminate itself. Therefore, you must ensure that the device driver is initialized before using it. A listing of the device driver, either via SMIT or by using the **lsdev** command, should indicate the device driver state as *Available*.

Special File Support

The Multiport Model 2 device driver is a character I/O device and provides a special file entry in the **/dev** directory for file system access. The Multiport Model 2 device driver uses the **t_start_dev** and **t_chg_parms** structures defined in the **/usr/include/sys/mpqp.h** file to preserve compatibility with the existing GDLC, MPQP API and SNA Services interface. However, only a subset of the *#define* values is supported for the following **t_start_dev** structure fields:

Item	Description
data_proto	Identifies the data protocol. The Multiport Model 2 device driver supports the SDLC DATA_PRO_SDLC_HDX value (indicating half duplex only) and the bisync DATA_PRO_BSC value.

Item	Description
baud_rate	Specifies the baud rate for transmit and receive clock. The Multiport Model 2 device driver only supports external clocking where the modem supplies the clock, and this field should be set to zero. However, when using SNA Services, this field is ignored when external clocking is specified in the physical link profile and does not need to be zero.

Related information

[MPQP Device Handler Interface Overview](#)

[Data Link Control](#)

mpqn Special File

Purpose

Provides access to multiprotocol adapters by way of the [Multiprotocol Quad Port \(MPQP\) device handler](#).

Description

The **/dev/mpqn** character special file provides access to the MPQP device handler for the purpose of providing access to a synchronous network. The MPQP device handler supports multiple adapters.

Usage Considerations

When accessing the MPQP device handler, the following should be taken into account:

Driver initialization and termination

The device handler may be loaded and unloaded. The handler supports the configuration calls to initialize and terminate itself.

Special file support

Calls other than the **open** and **close** subroutine calls are discussed in relation to the mode in which the device handler is operating.

Subroutine Support

The MPQP device handler supports the **open**, **close**, **read**, **write**, and **ioctl** subroutines in the following manner:

- The **open** and **close** subroutines

The device handler supports the **/dev/mpqn** special file as a character-multiplex special file. The special file must be opened for both reading and writing (**O_RDWR**). There are no particular considerations for closing the special file. Which special file name is used in an **open** call depends on how the device is to be opened. Types of special file names are:

Item	Description
/dev/mpqn	Starts the device handler for the selected port.
/dev/mpqn/D	Starts the device handler in Diagnostic mode for the selected port.

- The **read** subroutine

Can take the form of a **read**, **readx**, **readv**, or **readvx** subroutine call. For this call, the device handler copies the data into the buffer specified by the caller.

- The **write** subroutine

Can take the form of a **write**, **writex**, **writev**, or **writevx** subroutine call. For this call, the device handler copies the user data into a buffer and transmits the data on the LAN.

- The **ioctl** subroutine

Item	Description
CIO_START	Starts a session and registers a network ID.
CIO_HALT	Halts a session and removes a network ID.
CIO_QUERY	Returns the current RAS counter values. These values are defined in the /usr/include/sys/comio.h file.
CIO_GET_STAT	Returns the current adapter and device handler status.
MP_START_AR	Puts the MPQP port into Autoresponse mode.
MP_STOP_AR	Permits the MPQP port to exit Autoresponse mode.
MP_CHG_PARMS	Permits the data link control (DLC) to change certain profile parameters after the MPQP device has been started.
MP_SET_DELAY	Sets the value of NDELAY .

Error Codes

The following error codes may be returned when accessing the device handler through the **/dev/mpqn** special file:

Item	Description
ECHRNG	Indicates that the channel number is out of range.
EAGAIN	Indicates that the maximum number of direct memory accesses (DMAs) was reached, so that the handler cannot get memory for internal control structures.
EBUSY	Indicates one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The port is not in correct state. • The port should be configured, but is not opened or started. • The port state is not opened for start of an ioctl operation. • The port is not started or is not in data-transfer state.
EIO	Indicates that the handler could not queue the request to the adapter.
EFAULT	Indicates that the cross-memory copy service failed.
EINTR	Indicates that the sleep was interrupted by a signal.
EINVAL	Indicates one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The port not set up properly. • The handler could not set up structures for write. • The port is not valid. • A select operation was called by a kernel process. • The specified physical-link parameter is not valid for that port. • The read was called by a kernel process.
ENOMEM	Indicates one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No mbuf or mbuf clusters are available. • The total data length is more than a page. • There is no memory for internal structures.
ENOMSG	Indicates that the status-queue pointer is null, and there are no entries.

Item	Description
ENOTREADY	Indicates that the port state in define device structure (DDS) is not in Data Transfer mode or that the implicit halt of port failed.
ENXIO	Indicates one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The port has not been started successfully. • An invalid adapter number was specified. • The channel number is illegal. • The adapter is already open in Diagnostic mode. • The adapter control block (ACB) pointer is null or does not exist. • The registration of the interrupt handler failed. • The port does not exist or is not in proper state. • The adapter number is out of range.

The communication device handler topic defines specific errors returned on each subroutine call.

Related information

[close subroutine](#)

[write subroutine](#)

[MPQP Device Handler Interface Overview](#)

mstor Special File

Purpose

Provides access to the virtual removable disk device.

Description

The **mstor** special file provides block and character (raw) access to the virtual removable disk devices, which are backed by the Universal Serial Bus (USB) mass storage devices (such as RDX, flash drives, and storage devices) on the Virtual I/O Server (VIOS). The capability of the AIX operating system to read from and write to the virtual removable disk drives is validated against the IBM RDX and a sample of industry standard original equipment manufacturer (OEM) USB flash drives is used as backing store on VIOS.

Note: The AIX Small Computer System Interface (SCSI) disk driver supports virtual removable disks on the AIX Version 6.1 with Technology Level 6100-09, and later, and on the AIX Version 7.1 with Technology Level 7100-03, and later.

The backing USB mass storage devices can be exported to only one client at a time. If the user wants to export the backing device to another client, the virtual removable disk device must be removed from the old client by using the **rmdev** command and then, the backing device must be remapped to the new client on the VIOS.

The virtual removable disk drivers are configured by using the logical names, such as **mstor0** and **mstor1**. The driver presents both **raw** and **blocks** special files. For example, the raw special file for the **mstor0** file is **/dev/rmstor0** file, and the block special file is **/dev/mstor0**. To install raw I/O on a virtual removable disk, all data transfers in multiples of block length (512 bytes) the virtual removable disk device is required. Also, all the **lseek** subroutines made to the virtual removable disk device driver must set the file offset pointer to a value that is a multiple of the specified logical block size.

A virtual removable disk device cannot be used with the AIX Logical Volume Manager (LVM) or the AIX Journaled File System (JFS) or JFS2 file systems. A virtual removable disk device can be used with the User-defined file system (UDFS) file system, with backup commands, such as **tar** and the **savevg** commands, and with media access commands, such as the **dd** command. The user can also create a

mksysb image on the device and can start and install from the device. It can be used as a memory dump device on the AIX operating system.

The virtual removable disk device is dependent on the device or media that is connected and available on the VIOS. When the backing USB disk device is disconnected from the VIOS while the device is still in use on the AIX client, the device becomes unavailable on the client. On reconnecting the USB device to VIOS, the device must be remapped by removing the older mapping and then creating a new mapping, running the **cfgmgr** command on the AIX client to make the device available again on client. This task can be accomplished by running the following commands:

On Virtual I/O Server

1. To get the current mapping, run the following command:

```
lsmap -all
```

2. To remove the current mapping, run the following command:

```
rmvdev -vtd VTD of the device from lsmap
```

3. To create the new mapping, run the following command:

```
mkvdev -vdev usb device -vadapter virtual adapter name
```

On an AIX client

```
cfgmgr
```

The removable disk devices defines a *prevent_eject* attribute, which has a default value of **yes** and can be changed by using the System Management Interface Tool (SMIT) interface or the **chdev** command. If a user sets the value of the *prevent_eject* attribute as **yes**, it causes a Media Eject Prevent and Media Eject Allow action while opening and closing of the device. This operation is only applicable if the backing device has ejectable media and this operation is not supported for flash drives.

If the backing device has ejectable media and the *prevent_eject* attribute is set to **no**, and the media is ejected from the drive for an exported UDFS file system, the files on the disk cartridge cannot be accessed. To access these files again, the file systems that are mounted from the virtual removable disk drive must be unmounted. The processes that have files in an open state on these file systems must be exited. The processes that have current directories on these file systems must be moved. If these actions fail, perform a forced unmount operation.

Device-Dependent Subroutines

Most virtual disk device operations are implemented by using the **open**, **read**, and **close** subroutines. However, for some purposes, the **openx** (extended) subroutine must be used..

Subroutines

ioctl Subroutine

Description

The virtual removable disk device uses SCSI disk device driver for its operation. It supports **ioctls** operations which are supported by the SCSI disk driver, such as the IOCINFO, DKIOLCMD, DK_PASSTHRU, DKPMR, DKAMR, and DKEJECT operations.

openx Subroutine

The **openx** subroutine is supported to provide more functions to the **open** sequence. The **openx** subroutine requires appropriate authority to start. If you attempt to run this subroutine without the access right might results in a return value of -1, with the *errno* global variable is set to *EPERM*.

Error Codes

In addition to the error codes listed for the **ioctl**, **open**, **read**, and **write** subroutines. The following error codes are also supported:

Error code	Description
EACCES	A subroutine other than ioctl or close was attempted while in diagnostic mode.
EACCES	A normal read call was attempted while in diagnostic mode.
EFAULT	An incorrect user address.
EBUSY	The target device is reserved by another initiator.
EINVAL	A <i>nbyte</i> parameter of a read subroutine is not an even multiple of the block size.
EINVAL	An attempt was made to configure a device that is still open.
EINVAL	An incorrect configuration command is entered.
EMFILE	An open call is attempted for a SCSI adapter that already has the maximum permissible number of open devices.
ENOTRE ADY	There is no cartridge in the drive that is attached to VIOS.
ENODEV	An attempt was made to access a device that is not defined.
ENODEV	An attempt was made to close a device that is not defined.
EMEDIA	The media was changed.
EIO	A hardware error, an aborted command, invalid request.
EIO	An attempt is made to read beyond the end of media.
EPERM	The subroutine requires appropriate authority.
ESTALE	The media was ejected (without first being closed by the user) and then either reinserted or replaced with a second disk.
ETIMED OUT	An I/O operation exceeded the specified timer value.

null Special File

Purpose

Provides access to the null device, typically for writing to the bit bucket.

Description

The **/dev/null** special file provides character access to the null device driver. This device driver is normally accessed to write data to the bit bucket (when the data is to be discarded).

Usage Considerations

When using subroutines with the null device file, consider the following items:

Item	Description
open and close subroutines	The null device can be opened by using the open subroutine with the /dev/null special file name. The close subroutine should be used when access to the null device is no longer required.

Item	Description
read and write subroutines	Data written to this file is discarded. Reading from this file always returns 0 bytes.
ioctl subroutine	There are no ioctl operations available for use with the null special file. Any ioctl operation issued returns with the ENODEV error type.
Related information close subroutine	

nvrAm Special File

Purpose

Provides access to platform-specific nonvolatile RAM used for system boot, configuration, and fatal error information. This access is achieved through the machine I/O device driver.

Description

The **/dev/nvrAm** character special file provides access to the [machine device driver](#) for accessing or modifying machine-specific nonvolatile RAM. The appropriate privilege is required to open the **nvrAm** special file. The **nvrAm** special file is used by machine-specific configuration programs to store or retrieve configuration and boot information using the nonvolatile RAM or ROM provided on the machine. The **nvrAm** special file supports open, close, read, and ioctl operations.

Note: Application programs should not access the nonvolatile RAM. Since nonvolatile RAM is platform-specific, any reliance on its presence and implementation places portability constraints upon the using application. In addition, accessing the nonvolatile RAM may cause loss of system startup and configuration information. Such a loss could require system administrative or maintenance task work to rebuild or recover.

Usage Considerations

When using subroutines with the **nvrAm** special file, consider the following items.

open and close Subroutines

The machine device driver supports the **nvrAm** special file as a multiplexed character special file.

A special channel name of **base** can be used to read the base customize information stored as part of the boot record. The **nvrAm** special file must be opened with a channel name of **base**, as follows:

```
/dev/nvrAm/base
```

The special file **/dev/nvrAm/base** can only be opened once. When it is closed for the first time after a boot, the buffer containing the base customize information is free. Subsequent opens return a **ENOENT** error code.

read, write, and lseek Subroutines

The **read** subroutine is supported after a successful open of the **nvrAm** special file with a channel name of **base**. The **read** operation starts transferring data at the location associated with the base customization information and with an offset specified by the offset value associated with the file pointer being used on the subroutine.

On a **read** subroutine, if the end of the data area is reached before the transfer count is reached, the number of bytes read before the end of the data area was reached is returned. If the read starts after the end of the data area, an error of **ENXIO** is returned by the driver.

The **lseek** subroutine can be used to change the starting read offset within the data area associated with the base customization information. The **write** subroutine is not supported on this channel and results in an error return of **ENODEV**.

ioctl Subroutine

ioctl commands can be issued to the machine device driver after the **/dev/nvram** special file has been successfully opened. The **IOCINFO** parameter returns machine device driver information in the caller's **devinfo** structure, as pointed to by the *arg* parameter to the **ioctl** subroutine. This structure is defined in the **/usr/include/sys/devinfo.h** file. The device type for this device driver is **DD_PSEU**.

Error Codes

The following error conditions can be returned when accessing the machine device driver using the **nvram** special file name:

Item	Description
EFAULT	A buffer specified by the caller was invalid on a read , write , or ioctl subroutine call.
ENXIO	A read operation was attempted past the end of the data area specified by the channel.
ENODEV	A write operation was attempted.
ENOMEM	A request was made with a user-supplied buffer that is too small for the requested data.

Security

Programs attempting to open the **nvram** special file require the appropriate privilege.

Files

Item	Description
/dev/nvram/base	Allows read access to the base customize information stored as part of the boot record.

Related information

[Device Configuration Subsystem Programming Introduction](#)
[close subroutine](#)

random and urandom Devices

Purpose

Source of secure random output.

Description

The **/dev/random** and **/dev/urandom** character devices provide cryptographically secure random output generated from interrupt timings or input written to the devices.

The **/dev/random** device is intended to provide high quality, cryptographically secure random output and will only return output for which sufficient (an equal or greater amount) random input is available to generate the output. If insufficient random input is available, reads from the **/dev/random** device will block until the request can be fulfilled unless the **O_NONBLOCK** flag was specified when the device was opened, in which case as much high quality output as could be generated is returned with the error code **EAGAIN**.

The **/dev/urandom** device provides a reliable source of random output, however the output will not be generated from an equal amount of random input if insufficient input is available. Reads from the **/dev/**

urandom device always return the quantity of output requested without blocking. If insufficient random input is available, alternate input will be processed by the random number generator to provide cryptographically secure output, the strength of which will reflect the strength of the algorithms used by the random number generator. Output generated without random input is theoretically less secure than output generated from random input, so **/dev/random** should be used for applications for which a high level of confidence in the security of the output is required.

Data written to either device is added to the pool of stored random input and may be used for generating output. Writes behave identically for both devices and will not block.

Implementation Specifics

The **/dev/random** and **/dev/urandom** devices are created from major and minor numbers assigned by the device configuration subsystem when the random number generator is loaded, so the device names should always be used when attempting to locate or open the devices. The devices are deleted when the random number generator is unloaded. When the system is shut down using the shutdown command, output is taken from the **/dev/urandom** device and is written back to the **/dev/random** device when the random number generator is loaded on the next boot to provide starting entropy to the generator, enhancing the quality of the stored random input after boot.

Input is gathered from interrupt timings when the pool of stored random input falls below half full and continues to be gathered until the pool is again full. This process causes a minor performance impact to all external interrupts while timings are being gathered, which ceases when timings cease to be gathered. Data written to either of the random devices will also contribute to the pool of stored random input and can influence the output, thus writing to these devices should be a privileged operation. This is enforced by the permissions of the devices, so it can be changed by the administrator to be completely disallowed if desired.

omd Special File

Purpose

Provides access to the read/write optical device driver.

Description

The **omd** special file provides block and character (raw) access to disks in the read/write optical drive.

The **r** prefix on a special file name means that the drive is accessed as a raw device rather than a block device. Performing raw I/O with an optical disk requires that all data transfers be in multiples of the optical-disk logical block length. Also, all **lseek** subroutines that are made to the raw read/write optical device driver must set the file offset pointer to a value that is a multiple of the specified logical block size.

The **scdisk** SCSI Device Driver provides more information about implementation specifics.

Read/Write Optical Device Driver

Read/write optical disks, used in read/write optical drives, are media that provide storage for large amounts of data. Block access to optical disks is achieved through the special files **/dev/omd0**, **/dev/omd1**, ... **/dev/omdn**. Character access is provided through the special files **/dev/romd0**, **/dev/romd1**, ... **/dev/romdn**.

When a read/write optical disk is ejected from the drive for a mounted read/write optical file system, the files on the optical disk can no longer be accessed. Before attempting to access these files again, perform the following steps for a file system mounted from the read/write optical disk:

1. Stop processes that have files open on the file system.
2. Move processes that have current directories on the file system.
3. Unmount the file system.
4. Remount the file system after reinserting the media.

If these actions do not work, perform a forced unmount of the file system; then, remount the file system.

Note: Reinserting the read/write optical disk will not fix the problem. Stop all processes (graphical and ASCII), and then forcibly unmount the file system. Then remount the file system. After performing this procedure, you can restart any **man** commands.

Device-Dependent Subroutines

Most read/write optical operations are implemented using the **open**, **read**, **write**, and **close** subroutines. However, for some purposes, use of the **openx** (extended) subroutine is required.

The openx Subroutine

The **openx** subroutine is supported to provide additional functions to the **open** sequence. Appropriate authority is required for execution. If an attempt is made to run the **openx** subroutine without the proper authority, the subroutine returns a value of -1 and sets the **errno** global variable to a value of **EPERM**.

The ioctl Subroutine

The **ioctl** subroutine **IOCINFO** operation returns the **devinfo** structure defined in the **/usr/include/sys/devinfo.h** file. The **IOCINFO** operation is the only operation defined for all device drivers that use the **ioctl** subroutine. Other **ioctl** operations are specific for the type of device driver. Diagnostic mode is not required for the **IOCINFO** operation.

Error Conditions

Possible **errno** values for **ioctl**, **open**, **read**, and **write** subroutines when using the **omd** special file include:

Item	Description
EACCES	Indicates one of the following circumstances: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• An attempt was made to open a device currently open in Diagnostic or Exclusive Access mode.• An attempt was made to open a Diagnostic mode session on a device already open.• The user attempted a subroutine other than an ioctl or close subroutine while in Diagnostic mode.• A DKIOCMD operation was attempted on a device not in Diagnostic mode.• A DKFORMAT operation was attempted on a device not in Exclusive Access mode.
EBUSY	Indicates one of the following circumstances: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The target device is reserved by another initiator.• An attempt was made to open a session in Exclusive Access mode on a device already opened.
EFAULT	Indicates an illegal user address.
EFORMAT	Indicates the target device has unformatted media or media in an incompatible format.

Item	Description
EINVAL	<p>Indicates one of the following circumstances:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The read or write subroutine supplied an <i>nbyte</i> parameter that is not an even multiple of the block size. • A sense data buffer length of greater than 255 bytes is not valid for a DKIOWRSE or DKIORDSE ioctl subroutine operation. • The data buffer length exceeded the maximum defined in the devinfo structure for a DKIORDSE, DKIOWRSE, or DKIOCMD ioctl subroutine operation. • An unsupported ioctl subroutine operation was attempted. • An attempt was made to configure a device that is still open. • An illegal configuration command has been given. • A DKPMR (Prevent Media Removal), DKAMR (Allow Media Removal), or DKEJECT (Eject Media) command was sent to a device that does not support removable media. • A DKEJECT (Eject Media) command was sent to a device that currently has its media locked in the drive.
EIO	<p>Indicates one of the following circumstances:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The target device cannot be located or is not responding. • The target device has indicated an unrecovered hardware error.
EMEDIA	<p>Indicates one of the following circumstances:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The target device has indicated an unrecovered media error. • The media was changed.
EMFILE	Indicates an open operation was attempted for an adapter that already has the maximum permissible number of opened devices.
ENODEV	<p>Indicates one of the following circumstances:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An attempt was made to access an undefined device. • An attempt was made to close an undefined device.
ENOTREADY	Indicates no read/write optical disk is in the drive.
ENXIO	<p>Indicates one of the following circumstances:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The ioctl subroutine supplied an invalid parameter. • A read or write operation was attempted beyond the end of the physical volume.
EPERM	Indicates the attempted subroutine requires appropriate authority.
ESTALE	Indicates a read-only optical disk was ejected (without first being closed by the user) and then either reinserted or replaced with a second disk.
ETIMEDOUT	Indicates an I/O operation has exceeded the given timer value.
EWRPROTECT	<p>Indicates one of the following circumstances:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An open operation requesting read/write mode was attempted on read-only media. • A write operation was attempted to read-only media.

Files

Item	Description
<code>/dev/romd0, /dev/romd1,..., /dev/romdn</code>	Provides character access to the read/write optical device driver.
<code>/dev/omd0, /dev/omd1,..., /dev/omdn</code>	Provides block access to the read/write optical device driver.

Related information

[scdisk SCSI Device Driver.](#)

[open subroutine](#)

[read subroutine](#)

opn Special File

Purpose

Provides a diagnostic interface to the serial optical ports by way of the [Serial Optical Link device driver](#).

Description

The **opn** character special file provides strictly diagnostic access to a specific serial optical port. The normal interface to the serial optical link is through the **ops0** special file.

Related information

[Serial Optical Link Device Handler Overview](#)

ops0 Special File

Purpose

Provides access to the serial optical link by way of the [Serial Optical Link Device Handler Overview](#).

Description

The Serial Optical Link device driver is a component of the Communication I/O subsystem. The device driver can support from one to four serial optical ports. An optical port consists of two separate pieces. The Serial Link Adapter is on the system planar, and is packaged with two to four adapters in a single chip. The Serial Optical Channel Converter plugs into a slot on the system planar and provides two separate optical ports.

The **ops0** special file provides access to the optical port subsystem. An application that opens this special file has access to all the ports, but does not need to be aware of the number of ports available. Each write operation will include a destination processor ID, and the device driver will route the data through the correct port to reach that processor. If there is more than one path to the destination, the device driver will use any link that is available, in case of a link failure.

Usage Considerations

When accessing the Serial Optical Link device driver, the following should be taken into account:

Item	Description
driver initialization and termination	The device driver may be loaded and unloaded. The device driver supports the configuration calls to initialize and terminate itself.

Item	Description
special file support	Calls other than the open and close subroutines are discussed based on the mode in which the device driver is operating.

Subroutine Support

The Serial Optical Link device driver provides specific support for the [open](#), [close](#), [read](#), and [write](#) subroutines.

open and close Subroutines

The device driver supports the `/dev/ops0` special file as a character-multiplex special file. The special file must be opened for both reading and writing (**O_RDWR**). There are no particular considerations for closing the special file. The special file name is used in an **open** call depending on how the device is to be opened. The two types of special file names are:

Item	Description
<code>/dev/ops0</code>	Starts the device driver in normal mode.
<code>/dev/ops0/S</code>	Starts the device driver in serialized mode. As a result, the device driver transmits data in the same order in which it receives the data.

read Subroutine

Can take the form of a [read](#), [readx](#), [readv](#), or [readvx](#) subroutine. For this call, the device driver copies the data into the buffer specified by the caller.

write Subroutine

Can take the form of a [write](#), [writex](#), [writev](#), or [writevx](#) subroutine. For this call, the device driver copies the user data into a kernel buffer and transmits the data.

Error Codes

The following error codes may be returned when accessing the device driver through the `/dev/ops0` special file:

Item	Description
EACCES	Indicates access to the device is denied for one of the following reasons: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A non-privileged user tried to open the device in Diagnostic mode. • A kernel-mode user attempted a user-mode call. • A user-mode user attempted a kernel-mode call.
EADDRINUSE	Indicates the network ID is in use.
EAGAIN	Indicates that the transmit queue is full.
EBUSY	Indicates one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The device was already initialized. • There are outstanding opens; unable to terminate. • The device is already open in Diagnostic mode. • The maximum number of opens has been exceeded.
EFAULT	Indicates that the specified address is not valid.
EINTR	Indicates that a system call was interrupted.
EINVAL	Indicates that the specified parameter is not valid.

Item	Description
EIO	Indicates a general error. If an extension was provided in the call, additional data identifying the cause of the error can be found in the status field.
EMSGSIZE	Indicates that the data was too large to fit into the receive buffer and that no <i>arg</i> parameter was supplied to provide an alternate means of reporting this error with a status of CIO_BUF_OVFLW .
ENETDOWN	Indicates that the network is down. The device is unable to process the write.
ENOCCONNECT	Indicates one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The device is not started. • The processor ID is not connected to the Serial Optical Link subsystem.
ENODEV	Indicates that the specified minor number is not valid.
ENOMEM	Indicates that the device driver was unable to allocate the required memory.
ENOSPC	Indicates the network ID table is full.
EPERM	Indicates that the device is open in a mode that does not allow a Diagnostic-mode open request.

Related information

[close subroutine](#)

[write subroutine](#)

[Serial Optical Link Device Handler Overview](#)

pty Special File

Purpose

Provides the pseudo-terminal (pty) device driver.

Description

The **pty** device driver provides support for a *pseudo-terminal*. A pseudo-terminal includes a pair of *controller* and *worker* character devices.

Note: Controller and worker devices are conventionally known as master and server devices. These terms are used interchangeably to use more inclusive language.

The worker device provides processes with essentially the same interface as that provided by the **tty** device driver. However, instead of providing support for a hardware device, the worker device is manipulated by another process through the control half of the pseudo-terminal. That is, anything written on the control device is given to the worker device as input and anything written on the worker device is presented as input on the control device.

In AIX Version 4, the pty subsystem uses naming conventions similar to those from UNIX System V. There is one node for the control driver, **/dev/ptc**, and a maximum number of *N* nodes for the worker drivers, **/dev/pts/*n***. *N* is configurable at pty configuration and may be changed dynamically by pty reconfiguration, without closing the opened devices.

The control device is set up as a *clone device* whose major device number is the clone device's major number and whose minor device number is the control driver's major number. There is no node in the filesystem for control devices. A control device can be opened only once, but worker devices can be opened several times.

By opening the control device with the **/dev/ptc** special file, an application can quickly open the control and worker sides of an unused pseudo-terminal. The name of the corresponding worker side can be retrieved using the [ttyname](#) subroutine, which always returns the name of the worker side.

With Berkeley pty subsystems, commands have to search for an unused pseudo-terminal by opening each control side sequentially. The control side could not be opened if it was already in use. Thus, the opens would fail, setting the **errno** variable to **EIO**, until an unused pseudo-terminal was found. It is possible to configure the pty subsystem in order to use special files with the BSD pty naming convention:

Item	Description
Control devices	/dev/pty[p-zA-Z][0-f]
worker devices	/dev/tty[p-zA-Z][0-f]

These special files are not symbolic links to the operating system special files. They are completely separate. The number of control and worker pair devices using the BSD naming convention is configurable.

The following ioctl commands apply to pseudo-terminals:

Item	Description
TIOCSTOP	Stops output to a terminal. This is the same as using the Ctrl-S key sequence. No parameters are allowed for this command.
TIOCSTART	Restarts output that was stopped by a TIOCSTOP command or by the Ctrl-S key sequence. This is the same as typing the Ctrl-Q key sequence. No parameters are allowed for this command.
TIOCPKT	Enables and disables the packet mode. Packet mode is enabled by specifying (by reference) a nonzero parameter. It is disabled by specifying (by reference) a zero parameter. When applied to the control side of a pseudo-terminal, each subsequent read from the terminal returns data written on the worker part of the pseudo terminal. The data is preceded either by a zero byte (symbolically defined as TIOCPKT_DATA) or by a single byte that reflects control-status information. In the latter case, the byte is an inclusive OR of zero or more of the following bits: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> TIOCPKT_FLUSHREAD The read queue for the terminal is flushed. TIOCPKT_FLUSHWRITE The write queue for the terminal is flushed. TIOCPKT_STOP Output to the terminal is stopped with Ctrl-S. TIOCPKT_START Output to the terminal is restarted. TIOCPKT_DOSTOP The stop character defined by the current tty line discipline is Ctrl-S; the start character defined by the line discipline is Ctrl-Q. TIOCPKT_NOSTOP The start and stop characters are not Ctrl-S and Ctrl-Q.

While this mode is in use, the presence of control-status information to be read from the control side can be detected by a select for exceptional conditions.

This mode is used by the **rlogin** and **rlogind** commands to log in to a remote host and implement remote echoing and local Ctrl-S and Ctrl-Q flow control with proper back-flushing of output.

Item	Description
TIOCUCNTL	<p>Enables and disables a mode that allows a small number of simple user ioctl commands to be passed through the pseudo-terminal, using a protocol similar to that of the TIOCPKT mode. The TIOCUCNTL and TIOCPKT modes are mutually exclusive.</p> <p>This mode is enabled from the control side of a pseudo-terminal by specifying (by reference) a nonzero parameter. It is disabled by specifying (by reference) a zero parameter. Each subsequent read from the control side will return data written on the worker part of the pseudo-terminal, preceded either by a zero byte or by a single byte that reflects a user control operation on the worker side.</p> <p>A user-control command consists of a special ioctl operation with no data. That command is issued as UIOCCMD(Value), where the <i>Value</i> parameter specifies a number in the range 1 through 255. The operation value is received as a single byte on the next read from the control side.</p> <p>A value of 0 can be used with the UIOCCMD ioctl operation to probe for the existence of this facility. The zero is not made available for reading by the control side. Command operations can be detected with a select for exceptional conditions.</p>
TIOCREMOTE	<p>A mode for the control half of a pseudo-terminal, independent of TIOCPKT. This mode implements flow control, rather than input editing, for input to the pseudo-terminal, regardless of the terminal mode. Each write to the control terminal produces a record boundary for the process reading the terminal. In normal usage, a write of data is like the data typed as a line on the terminal, while a write of zero bytes is like typing an end-of-file character. This mode is used for remote line editing in a window-manager and flow-controlled input.</p>

Related information

[rlogin command](#)

[ioctl subroutine](#)

[ttyname subroutine](#)

rcm Special File

Purpose

Provides the application interface to obtain and relinquish the status of a graphics process through the **Rendering Context Manager (RCM)** device driver.

Description

The **rcm** is used by graphics systems to obtain a **gsc_handle**. This handle is required in the call to **aixgsc** which is part of the procedure of becoming a graphics process.

Usage Considerations

The **RCM** device driver supports [open](#), [close](#), and [ioctl](#) subroutines.

A application uses the GSC_HANDLE **ioctl** command to get a **gsc_handle** as part of becoming a graphics process. When it closes **rcm**, either normally, or by abnormal termination, the **RCM** releases any displays which it owns. This is implemented as a LFT_REL_DISP **ioctl** command to the **LFT** device driver.

Item	Description
IOCINFO	Returns devinfo structure.
GSC_HANDLE	Returns a gsc_handle .
RCM_SET_DIAG_OWNER	Obtain exclusive use of the display adapter for diagnostics.

Related reference

[lft Special File](#)

rhdisk Special File

Purpose

Provides raw I/O access to the physical volumes (fixed-disk) device driver.

Description

The **rhdisk** special file provides raw I/O access and control functions to physical-disk device drivers for physical disks. Raw I/O access is provided through the **/dev/rhdisk0**, **/dev/rhdisk1**, ..., character special files.

Direct access to physical disks through block special files should be avoided. Such access can impair performance and also cause data consistency problems between data in the block I/O buffer cache and data in system pages. The **/dev/hdisk** block special files are reserved for system use in managing file systems, paging devices and logical volumes.

The **r** prefix on the special file name indicates that the drive is to be accessed as a raw device rather than a block device. Performing raw I/O with a fixed disk requires that all data transfers be in multiples of the disk block size. Also, all **lseek** subroutines that are made to the raw disk device driver must result in a file-pointer value that is a multiple of the disk-block size.

Usage Considerations

Note: Data corruption, loss of data, or loss of system integrity (system crashes) will occur if devices supporting paging, logical volumes, or mounted file systems are accessed using block special files. Block special files are provided for logical volumes and disk devices on the operating system and are solely for system use in managing file systems, paging devices, and logical volumes. They should not be used for other purposes.

open and close Subroutines

The **openx** subroutine provides additional functions to the open sequence. This subroutine requires appropriate permission to execute. Attempting to do so without the proper permission results in a return value of -1, with the **errno** global variable set to **EPERM**.

read and write Subroutines

The **readx** and **writex** subroutines provide for additional parameters affecting the raw data transfer. The **ext** parameter specifies certain options that apply to the request being made. The options are constructed by logically ORing zero or more of the following values.

Note: The following operations can be used only with the **writex** subroutine.

Item	Description
WRITEV	Perform physical write verification on this request.
HWRELOC	Perform hardware relocation of the specified block before the block is written. This is done only if the drive supports safe relocation. Safe relocation ensures that once the relocation is started, it will complete safely regardless of power outages.
UNSAFEREL	Perform hardware relocation of the specified block before the block is written. This is done if the drive supports any kind of relocation (safe or unsafe).

ioctl Subroutine

Only one **ioctl** operation, **IOCINFO**, is defined for all device drivers that use the **ioctl** subroutine. The remaining **ioctl** operations are all specific to physical-disk devices. Diagnostic mode is not required for the **IOCINFO** operation.

The **IOCINFO** ioctl operation returns a structure for a device type of **DD_DISK**. This structure is defined in the **/usr/include/sys/devinfo.h** file.

Error Codes

In addition to the errors listed for the **ioctl**, **open**, **read**, and **write** subroutines, the following other error codes are also possible:

Item	Description
EACCES	An open subroutine call has been made to a device in Diagnostic mode.
EACCES	A diagnostic openx subroutine call has been made to a device already opened.
EACCES	A diagnostic ioctl operation has been attempted when not in Diagnostic mode.
EINVAL	An <i>nbyte</i> parameter to a read or write subroutine is not a multiple of the disk block size.
EINVAL	An unsupported ioctl operation has been attempted.
EINVAL	An unsupported readx or writex subroutine has been attempted.
EMEDIA	The target device has indicated an unrecovered media error.
ENXIO	A parameter to the ioctl subroutine is invalid.
ENXIO	A read or write subroutine has been attempted beyond the end of the disk.
EIO	The target device cannot be located or is not responding.
EIO	The target device has indicated an unrecovered hardware error.
EMFILE	An open subroutine has been attempted for an adapter that already has the maximum permissible number of opened devices.
EPERM	The caller lacks the appropriate privilege.

Files

Item	Description
/dev/hdisk0, /dev/hdisk1, ... /dev/hdiskn	Provide block I/O access to the physical volumes (fixed-disk) device driver.

Related information

[read subroutine](#)

[lseek subroutine](#)

rmt Special File

Purpose

Provides access to the sequential-access bulk storage medium device driver.

Description

Magnetic tapes are used primarily for backup, file archives, and other off-line storage. Tapes are accessed through the **/dev/rmt0, ... , /dev/rmt255** special files. The **r** in the special file name indicates *raw* access through the character special file interface. A tape device does not lend itself well to the category of a block device. Thus, only character interface special files are provided.

[Special files](#) associated with each tape device determine which action is taken during open or close operations. These files also dictate, for applicable devices, at what density data is to be written to tape. The following table shows the names of these special files and their corresponding characteristics:

Table 35. Tape Drive Special File Characteristics

Special File Name	Characteristics
/dev/rmt*	Rewind-on-Close Yes Retention-on-Open No Bytes per Inch Density setting #1
/dev/rmt*.1	Rewind-on-Close No Retention-on-Open No Bytes per Inch Density setting #1
/dev/rmt*.2	Rewind-on-Close Yes Retention-on-Open Yes Bytes per Inch Density setting #1
/dev/rmt*.3	Rewind-on-Close No Retention-on-Open Yes Bytes per Inch Density setting #1
/dev/rmt*.4	Rewind-on-Close Yes Retention-on-Open No Bytes per Inch Density setting #2
/dev/rmt*.5	Rewind-on-Close No Retention-on-Open No Bytes per Inch Density setting #2
/dev/rmt*.6	Rewind-on-Close Yes Retention-on-Open Yes Bytes per Inch Density setting #2

Table 35. Tape Drive Special File Characteristics (continued)

Special File Name	Characteristics
/dev/rmt*.7	Rewind-on-Close No Retension-on-Open Yes Bytes per Inch Density setting #2

1. The values of density setting #1 and density setting #2 come from tape drive attributes that can be set using SMIT. Typically density setting #1 is set to the highest possible density for the tape drive while density setting #2 is set to a lower density. However, density settings are not required to follow this pattern.
2. The density value (bytes per inch) is ignored when using a magnetic tape device that does not support multiple densities. For tape drives that do support multiple densities, the density value only applies when writing to the tape. When reading, the drive defaults to the density at which the tape is written.
3. Most tape drives use 512-byte block size. The 8mm tape drive uses a minimum block size of 1024 bytes. Using SMIT to lower the block size, will waste space.

Usage Considerations

Most tape operations are implemented using the [open](#), [read](#), [write](#), and [close](#) subroutines. However, for diagnostic purposes, the [openx](#) subroutine is required.

open and close Subroutines

Care should be taken when closing a file after writing. If the application reverses over the data just written, no file marks will be written. However, for tape devices that allow for block update, unless the application spaces in the reverse direction or returns the tape position to the beginning of tape (BOT), one or two file marks will be written upon closing the device. (The number of file marks depends on the special file type.)

For multtape jobs, the special file must be opened and closed for each tape. The user is not allowed to continue if the special file is opened and the tape has been changed.

The [openx](#) subroutine is intended primarily for use by the diagnostic commands and utilities. Appropriate authority is required for execution. Executing this subroutine without the proper authority results in a return value of -1, with the [errno](#) global variable set to **EPERM**.

read and write Subroutines

When opened for reading or writing, the tape is assumed to be positioned as desired. When the tape is opened as no-rewind-on-close ([/dev/rmt*.1](#)) and a file is written, a single file mark is written upon closing the tape. When the tape is opened as rewind-on-close ([/dev/rmt*](#)) and a file is written, a double file mark is written upon closing the tape. When the tape is opened as no-rewind-on-close and reads from a file, the tape is positioned upon closing after the end-of-file (EOF) mark following the data just read.

By specifically choosing the **rmt** file, it is possible to create multiple file tapes.

Although tapes are accessed through character interface special files, the number of bytes required by either a read or write operation must be a multiple of the block size defined for the magnetic tape device. When the tape drive is in variable block mode, read requests for less than the tape's block size return the number of bytes requested and set the [errno](#) global variable to a value of 0. In this case, the [readx](#) subroutine's *Extension* parameter must be set to **TAPE_SHORT_READ**.

During a read, the record size is returned as the number of bytes read, up to the buffer size specified. If an EOF condition is encountered, then a zero-length read is returned, with the tape positioned after the EOF.

An end-of-media (EOM) condition encountered during a read or write operation results in the return of the number of bytes successfully ready or written. When a write is attempted after the device has reached the

EOM, a value of -1 is returned with the **errno** global variable set to the **ENXIO** value. When a read is attempted after the device has reached the EOM, a zero-length read is returned. Successive reads continue to return a zero-length read.

Data Buffering With a Tape Device: Some tape devices contain a data buffer to maximize data transfer speed when writing to tape. A write operation sent to tape is returned as complete when the data is transferred to the data buffer of the tape device. The data in the buffer is then written to tape asynchronously. As a result, data-transfer speed increases since the host need not wait for I/O completion.

Two modes are provided by the tape device driver to facilitate use of these data buffers. The non-buffered mode causes writes to tape to bypass the data buffer and go directly to tape. In buffered mode, all write subroutines are returned as complete when the transfer data has been successfully written to the tape device buffer. The device driver does not flush the data buffer until the special file is closed or an EOM condition is encountered.

If an EOM condition is encountered while running in buffered mode, the device attempts to flush the device data buffer. The residual count can exceed the write transfer length in buffered mode. In some cases, the flushing of residual data may actually run the tape off the reel. Either case is considered a failure and results in a return value of -1, with the **errno** global variable set to **EIO**. These errors can require the user to run in non-buffered mode.

rmt Special File Considerations: Failures that result in a device reset while reading or writing to tape require the special file to be closed and the job restarted. Any commands issued after this condition occurs and until the special file is closed result in a return value of -1, with the **errno** global variable set to **EIO**. Non-reset type errors (that is, media or hardware errors) result in the tape being left positioned where the error occurred.

For multi-tape jobs, the special file must be opened and closed for each tape. The user is not allowed to continue if the special file is opened and the tape has been changed.

A signal received by the tape device driver will cause the current command to abort. As a result, the application halts time-consuming commands (for instance, an erase operation) without recycling the drive power or waiting for a timeout to occur.

Use of zero (0) as a block-size parameter indicates the blocksize is of variable length.

ioctl Subroutine

A single **ioctl** operation, **IOCINFO**, is defined for all device drivers that use the **ioctl** subroutine. For the **rmt** special file, the **STIOCTOP** operation has also been defined.

The IOCINFO ioctl operation: The **IOCINFO** **ioctl** operation returns a structure defined in the **/usr/include/sys/devinfo.h** file.

The STIOCTOP ioctl operation: The **STIOCTOP** **ioctl** operation provides for command execution operations, such as erase and retension. The parameter to the **ioctl** subroutine using the **STIOCTOP** operation specifies the address of a **stop** structure, as defined in the **/usr/include/sys/tape.h** file.

The operation found in the **st_op** field in the **stop** structure is performed **st_count** times, except for rewind, erase, and retension operations. The available operations are:

Item	Description
STREW	Rewind.
STOFFL	Rewind and unload the tape. A tape must be inserted before the device can be used again.
STERASE	Erase tape; leave at load point.
STRETEN	Retension tape; leave at load point.
STWEOF	Write and end-of-file mark.
STFSF	Forward space file.
STFSR	Forward space record.

Item	Description
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STRSF	Reverse space file.
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STRSR	Reverse space record.
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STDEOF	Disable end-of-file check.
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Note: Use of the **STDEOF** command enables an application to write beyond the end of the tape. When disabling end-of-file checking by issuing the **STDEOF** command, it is the responsibility of the application to guard against error conditions that can arise from the use of this command.

Note: Execution of the preceding commands depends on the particular tape device and which commands are supported. If the command is not supported on a particular device, a value of -1 is returned, with the **errno** global variable set to **EINVAL**.

Error Codes

In addition to general error codes listed for **ioctl**, **open**, **read**, and **write** subroutines, the following specific error codes may also occur:

Item	Description
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EAGAIN	An open operation was attempted to a device that is already open.
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EBUSY	The target device is reserved by another initiator.
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EINVAL	O_APPEND is supplied as a mode in which to open.
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EINVAL	An <i>nbyte</i> parameter to a read or write subroutine is not an even multiple of the blocksize.
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EINVAL	A parameter to the ioctl subroutine is invalid.
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EINVAL	The requested ioctl operation is not supported on the current device.
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EIO	Could not space forward or reverse <i>st_count</i> records before encountering an EOM condition or a file mark.
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EIO	Could not space forward or reverse <i>st_count</i> file marks before encountering an EOM condition.
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EMEDIA	The tape device has encountered an unrecoverable media error.
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ENOMEM	The number of bytes requested for a read of a variable-length record on tape is less than the actual size (in bytes) of the variable-length record.
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ENOTREADY	There is no tape in the drive or the drive is not ready.
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ENXIO	A write operation was attempted while the tape was at the EOM.
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EPERM	The requested subroutine requires appropriate authority.
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ETIMEDOUT	A command has timed out.
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EWRPROTECT	An open operation for read/write was attempted on a read-only tape.
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EWRPROTECT	An ioctl operation that effects media was attempted on a read-only tape.
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Related information

[rmt SCSI Device Driver](#)

[ioctl subroutine](#)

[read subroutine](#)

scsi Special File

Purpose

Provides access to the SCSI adapter driver.

Description

The **scsi** special file provides an interface to an attached SCSI adapter. This special file should not be opened directly by application programs (with the exception of diagnostics applications). The **/dev/scsi0**, **/dev/scsi1**, ... **/dev/scsin** files are the **scsi** special files.

Related information

[SCSI Subsystem Overview](#)

[scdisk subroutine](#)

secvars.cfg File

Purpose

Consists of configuration values for various system security properties.

Description

The **/etc/secvars.cfg** file is a stanza file, where each stanza name represents a security property. The **lssec** and the **chsec** commands can be used to view and modify the files. The stanza contains the following stanza names:

groups

Defines the behavior of groups on the system. This stanza has the following attributes:

domainlessgroups

Controls the system configuration for merging the user's group attributes from Lightweight Directory Access Protocol (LDAP) and files domains. Only the files and the LDAP modules are supported. The **domainlessgroups** feature recognizes whether users or groups belong to the supported domains based on the registry values of the users or groups. Hence, the registry value specified for the users or groups must be either **files** or **LDAP**. The registry value cannot be a compound module or a compat registry even though the specified compound modules or compat registries might contain **files** domain, **LDAP** domain or both. The **domainlessgroups** feature is not applicable to values such as **netgroups** that are specified for the **options** parameter for LDAP module. The LDAP module is defined in the **/etc/methods.cfg** file.

The following values are valid for the **domainlessgroups** attribute.

True

When this attribute is set to true, a user can be assigned groups from both the LDAP and files domains simultaneously irrespective of user's domain. The user must belong to either the LDAP or file domains.

For example, the users that are defined on the LDAP can be assigned the local groups and vice versa.

False

When this attribute is set to false, the users can be assigned groups only from the domain where the user definition exists. The default value is false.

Notes:

1. If the LDAP server is down or not reachable, and this variable is set to **true**, some operations on groups and users fail. If this variable is set to **true**, it mandates a properly functioning LDAP server.

For example, when the LDAP server is not reachable, the **rmgroup** for local groups fails because these groups can be a primary group to an LDAP user. Also, if the LDAP server is not reachable, a local user with an LDAP group, as primary group fails to login.

2. You must not have same names or IDs for the users or groups across LDAP and local (files) domains when this variable is set to **true**, because the behavior of some commands is unpredictable. To avoid creation of same ID, set the **dist_uniqid** system attribute.
3. When the LDAP server is not reachable, the **lsuser** and **lsgroup** commands displays information from the local systems.
4. Adding a local user to an LDAP group effectively makes that user belong to the LDAP group not only on the current host, but also on any other host where the user with the same name exists locally. In other words, if a user with the same name exists locally on two or more hosts, adding that user to an LDAP group from one host makes it effective on the other host.
5. When local user is removed from the system, it is automatically removed from an LDAP group. This means that, when a local user that has the same name across two or more hosts is removed from an LDAP group from one host, all the local users with the same name across all the other hosts lose their membership from that LDAP group.
6. When a user is assigned to a group, a user with same name exists in the other domain, the user that gets assigned to the group is the one from the same domain as the group.

Example: specifying similar names to users or groups, across domains

```
User "user1" is present in the LDAP domain.
mkuser -R LDAP id=10001 user1

Another user also named "user1" is present in the local domain.
mkuser -R files id=1000 user1

Ldgrp1's user user1 belongs to the LDAP domain.
mkgroup -R LDAP id=20001 users=user1 Ldgrp1
```

7. When an LDAP group is assigned as a primary group to a local user on one client or host, the group can be removed from another host. This is possible because the second host does not have any knowledge about the local users on the first client.
8. If this feature is turned on, user validation is skipped while creating or modifying groups. For example:

```
chgroup users=user1,user2,user3 group_name
```

users user1, user2, and user3 are not checked for their existence.

Also, a group existing locally on one LDAP client cannot be assigned to users from another LDAP client.

9. The root user cannot be assigned LDAP groups irrespective of the value of the **domainlessgroups** attribute.
10. For the **domainlessgroups** feature to work properly, the user map files under `/etc/security/ldap` directory must contain the mapping for the **pgid** attribute.
11. You must ensure that LDAP client daemon and LDAP server are up and running before you delete a local user or a local group. Otherwise the entry of such a local user or a local group continues to exist in the LDAP.

rbac

Defines the behavior of the syslog messages that are logged whenever the privileged commands are run. Privileged commands appear in the `/etc/security/privcmds` database. This stanza contains following attributes:

loglevel

Defines the syslog level for privileged commands. The `loglevel` attribute can have one of the following values:

all

Indicates that when the privileged commands are run, the results are logged in to the syslog file. The default value for `loglevel` is `all`.

crit

Indicates that the syslog messages are logged when privileged commands are run without the `ALLOW_ALL`, `ALLOW_OWNER`, or `ALLOW_GROUP` authorization in the `/etc/security/privcmds` file.

none

Indicates that the syslog messages are not logged when privileged commands are run.

suid_profile

Defines the restriction on the `/etc/suid_profile` file. This stanza has the following attributes:

chkperm

Defines the system configuration for checking the ownership and permission of the `/etc/suid_profile` file. The Korn shell (ksh) interprets the `/etc/suid_profile` file as a profile when the process, whose `ruid != euid` or `rgid != egid`, spawns a new shell.

The following values are valid for the `chkperm` attribute.

True

When this attribute is set to **true**, the ksh verifies the ownership [root] and file permissions [644] of the `/etc/suid_profile` file before interpreting it as a profile. If the ownership or permission is not proper, the ksh ignores the `/etc/suid_profile` file. You can set the `chkperm` attribute to **true** to enhance the security of the system.

False

When this attribute is set to **false**, the ksh does not validate the ownership and file permissions of the `/etc/suid_profile` file. The default value is **false**.

Note: Set the **chkperm** attribute to **true** regardless of the existence of the `/etc/suid_profile` file in the system.

Stanza-Variable association table

This stanza contains the following attributes:

Stanza	Attribute
groups	domainlessgroups
rbac	loglevel

Security

Access Control

These files grants read and write access to the root user. Access for other users and groups depends on the security policy for the system.

Files

Item	Description
<code>/etc/secvars.cfg</code>	Specifies the path to the file.
<code>/etc/group</code>	Contains the basic attributes of groups.
<code>/etc/security/group</code>	Contains the extended attributes of groups.

Examples

An example of the group stanza is follows:

```
groups:
    domainlessgroups=true
```

tablet Special File

Purpose

Provides access to the tablet.

Description

The tablet special file is the application interface to the tablet. It provides the applications with the capability of receiving input from the tablet and it allows the application to change the sampling rate, dead zones, origin, resolution, and conversion mode.

Configuration

There are no user commands to change the configuration of the tablet device. Applications may use [ioctl](#) commands to modify the configuration but these modifications are effective only until the tablet is closed.

Usage Considerations

The **open** subroutine call specifying the **tablet** special file is processed normally except that the *Oflag* and *Mode* parameters are ignored. The open request is rejected if the special file is already opened or if a kernel extension attempts to open the special file. All tablet inputs are flushed following an **open** subroutine call until an input ring is established. The tablet device is reset to the default configuration when an open request is made.

The **tablet** special file does not support the **read** or **write** subroutine calls. Instead, input data is obtained from the tablet through the input ring. The **read** and **write** subroutine calls behave the same as **read** or **write** subroutine calls to the **/dev/null** file.

The **tablet** special file supports the following functions with **ioctl** subroutines:

Item	Description
IOCFINFO	Returns devinfo structure.
TABCONVERSION	Sets tablet conversion mode.
TABDEADZONE	Sets tablet dead zones.
TABFLUSH	Flushes input ring.
TABORIGIN	Sets tablet origin.
TABQUERYID	Queries tablet device identifier.
TABREGRING	Registers input ring.
TABRESOLUTION	Sets resolution.
TABSAMPELRATE	Sets sample rate.

Error Codes

The error codes can be found in the **/usr/include/sys/errno.h** file.

Item	Description
EFAULT	Indicates insufficient authority to access address or invalid address.
EIO	Indicates an I/O error.
ENOMEM	Indicates insufficient memory for required paging operation.
ENOSPC	Indicates insufficient file system or paging space.
EINVAL	Indicates an invalid argument.
EINTR	Indicates the request was interrupted by signal.
EPERM	Indicates a permanent error occurred.
EBUSY	Indicates the device is busy.
ENXIO	Indicates an unsupported device number was specified.
ENODEV	Indicates an unsupported device or device type mismatch.
EACCES	Indicates open is not allowed.

Files

Item	Description
/usr/include/sys/inputdd.h	Contains declarations for ioctl commands and input ring report format.

Related reference

[dials Special File](#)

Related information

[close subroutine](#)

[write subroutine](#)

tap Special File

Purpose

Provides software network interface which is Ethernet tunnel.

Description

The **tap** interface is a software loopback mechanism. It is a network interface analog of the pseudoterminal (**pty**).

The tap driver, like the **pty** driver, provides two interfaces: a simulating interface (an Ethernet interface for **tap** or a terminal for **pty**) and a character-special device, the *control* interface.

The network interfaces are named as *tap0*, *tap1*, and so on, one for each open control device that has been opened. These Ethernet network interfaces persist until the **if_tap.ko** module is unloaded or until removed with the **ifconfig destroy** command.

The **tap** devices are created by using interface cloning with the **ifconfig tapN create** command. This is the preferred method for creating the **tap** devices. You can remove of interfaces by using the **ifconfig tapN destroy** command.

Each interface supports the usual Ethernet network interface ioctl, such as **SIOSIFADDR** and **SIOSIFNETMASK**, and thus can be used with the **ifconfig** command like any other Ethernet interface. When the system chooses to transmit an Ethernet frame on the network interface, the frame can be read from the control device. It appears as input there. The process of writing an Ethernet frame to the control

device generates an input frame on the network interface, as if the (nonexistent) hardware had just received it.

The Ethernet tunnel device, normally */dev/tapN*, is exclusive-open (it cannot be opened if it is already open), and is restricted to the super-user or users with the **PV_NET_CNTL** privilege. The tunnel device is not marked **up** when the control device is opened. A **read()** call returns an error (**EHOSTDOWN**) if the interface is not ready. After the interface is ready, the **read()** call returns an Ethernet frame, if any frame is available. In case the frame is not available, it either blocks until one frame is available or returns an **EWOULDBLOCK** error, depending on whether the nonblocking I/O has been enabled. If the frame is longer than is allowed in the buffer passed to the **read()** call, the extra data is dropped.

A **write(2)** call passes an Ethernet frame to be received on the pseudointerface. Each **write()** call supplies exactly one frame. The frame length is taken from the amount of data provided to the **write()** call. If the frame cannot be accepted for a transient reason (for example, no buffer space is available), the **write()** call is not block, but is dropped. However, if the reason is not transient (for example, the frame is too large), an error is returned.

The following ioctl calls are supported and are defined in the **<net/if_tap.h>** file:

Item	Description
TAPSIFINFO	Sets the network interface information (line speed, MTU, and type). The argument should be a pointer to the struct tapinfo parameter.
TAPGIFINFO	Retrieves the network interface information, such as line speed, MTU, and type. The argument should be a pointer to a struct tapinfo parameter.
TAPSDEBUG	Sets the internal debugging variable to that value. The argument should be a pointer to an int variable.
TAPGDEBUG	Stores the internal debugging variable's value into it. The argument should be a pointer to an int variable.
TAPGIFNAME	Retrieves the network interface name. The argument should be a pointer to the struct ifreq parameter. The interface name is returned in the ifr_name field.
FIONBIO	Turns nonblocking I/O for read operation off or on, depending on whether the value of the int argument is zero. Write operation are always nonblocking.
FIOASYNC	Turns asynchronous I/O for read operation (that is generation of the SIGIO signal when data is available to be read) off or on, depending on whether the value of the int argument is zero.
FIONREAD	Stores the size of the first one into the int argument if any frames are queued to be read; otherwise, stores zero..
TIOCSPGRP	Sets the process group to receive the SIGIO signals, when asynchronous I/O is enabled, to the int argument value.
TIOCGPGRP	Retrieves the process group value for the SIGIO signals into the argument int value.

The control device also supports the **select()** call for a read operation. Although the **write()** call is supported, it is rarely chosen. The **write()** call always succeeds because write operations are nonblocking. On the last close operation of the data device, the interface is brought down (as if with the **ifconfig tapN down**). All the queued frames are thrown away. If the interface is up when the data device is not open, output frames are thrown away to avoid piling up.

Related information

[ioctl subroutine](#)

[tty Subsystem Overview](#)

tmscsi Special File

Purpose

Provides access to the SCSI **tmscsi** device driver.

Description

The **tmscsi** special file provides an interface to allow processor-to-processor data transfer using the SCSI **send** command. This single device driver handles both SCSI initiator and SCSI target mode roles.

The user accesses the data transfer functions through the special files **/dev/tmscsi0.xx**, **/dev/tmscsi1.xx**, These are all character special files. The xx variable can be either **im**, initiator-mode interface, or **tm**, target-mode interface. The initiator-mode interface transmits data, and the target-mode interface receives data.

The least significant bit of the minor device number indicates to the device driver which mode interface is selected by the caller. When the least significant bit of the minor device number is set to 1, the target-mode interface is selected. When the least significant bit is set to 0, the initiator-mode interface is selected.

When the caller opens the initiator-mode special file, a logical path is established allowing data to be transmitted. The **write**, **writex**, **writev**, or **writevx** subroutine initiates data transmission for a user-mode caller, and the **fp_write** or **fp_rwuio** kernel services initiate data transmission for a kernel-mode caller. The SCSI target-mode device driver then builds a SCSI **send** command to describe the transfer, and the data is sent to the device. Once the write entry point returns, the calling program can access the transmit buffer.

When the caller opens the target-mode special file, a logical path is established allowing data to be received. The **read**, **readx**, **readv**, or **readvx** subroutine initiates data reception for a user-mode caller, and the **fp_read** or **fp_rwuio** kernel service initiates data reception for a kernel-mode caller. The SCSI target-mode device driver then returns data received for the application.

Note: This operation is not supported by all SCSI I/O controllers.

Related information

[tmscsi subroutine](#)

[close subroutine](#)

[SCSI Target-Mode Overview](#)

tokn Special File

Purpose

Provides access to the token-ring adapters by way of the token-ring device handler.

Description

The **tokn** character special file provides access to the token-ring device handler that provides access to a token-ring local area network. The device handler supports up to four token-ring adapters.

Usage Considerations

When accessing the token-ring device handler, the following should be taken into account:

Driver initialization and termination

The device handler may be loaded and unloaded. The device handler supports the configuration calls to initialize and terminate itself.

Special file support

Calls other than the **open** and **close** subroutines are discussed based on the mode in which the device handler is operating.

Subroutine Support

The token-ring device handler provides specific support for the **open**, **close**, **read**, and **write** subroutines.

open and close Subroutines

The device handler supports the **/dev/tokn** special file as a character-multiplex special file. The special file must be opened for both reading and writing (**O_RDWR**). There are no particular considerations for closing the special file. The special file name used in an **open** call depends upon how the device is to be opened. The three types of special file names are:

Item	Description
/dev/tokn	Starts the device handler for the selected port, where the value of <i>n</i> is $0 \leq n \leq 7$.
/dev/tokn/D	Starts the device handler for the selected port in Diagnostic mode, where the value of <i>n</i> is $0 \leq n \leq 7$.
/dev/tokn/W	Starts the device handler for the selected port in Diagnostic Wrap mode, where the value of <i>n</i> is $0 \leq n \leq 7$.

read Subroutine

Can take the form of a **read**, **readx**, **readv**, or **readvx** subroutine. For this call, the device handler copies the data into the buffer specified by the caller.

write Subroutine

Can take the form of a **write**, **writex**, **writev**, or **writevx** subroutine. For this call, the device handler copies the user data into a kernel buffer and transmits the data on the LAN.

Error Conditions

The following error conditions may be returned when accessing the device handler through the **dev/tokn** special file:

Item	Description
EACCES	Indicates that permission to access the adapter is denied for one of the following reasons: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Device has not been configured.• Diagnostic mode open request denied.• The call is from a kernel-mode process.
EAGAIN	Indicates that the transmit queue is full.
EBUSY	Indicates one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The device is already opened in Diagnostic mode.• The maximum number of opens has already been reached.• The request is denied.• The device is in use.• The device handler cannot terminate.
EEXIST	Indicates that the device is already configured or the device handler is unable to remove the device from switch table.
EFAULT	Indicates that the an invalid address or parameter was specified.
EINTR	Indicates that the subroutine was interrupted.

Item	Description
EINVAL	Indicates one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The parameters specified were invalid. • The define device structure (DDS) is invalid. • The device handler is not in Diagnostic mode.
ENOCCONNECT	Indicates that the device has not been started.
ENETDOWN	Indicates that the network is down and the device handler is unable to process the command.
ENOENT	Indicates that there was no DDS available.
ENOMEM	Indicates that the device handler was unable to allocate required memory.
ENOMSG	Indicates that there was no message of desired type.
ENOSPC	Indicates that the network ID table is full or the maximum number of opens was exceeded.
EADDRINUSE	Indicates that the specified network ID is in use.
ENXIO	Indicates that the specified minor number was not valid.
ENETUNREACH	Indicates that the device handler is in Network Recovery mode and is unable to process the write operation.
EMSGSIZE	Indicates that the data is too large for the supplied buffer.

Related information

[close subroutine](#)

[write subroutine](#)

trace Special File

Purpose

Supports event tracing.

Description

The **/dev/systrace** and **/dev/systrcctl** special files support the monitoring and recording of selected system events. Minor device 0 of the **trace** drivers is the interface between processes that record trace events and the trace daemon. Write trace events to the **/dev/systrace** file by the **trchk** and **trcgen** subroutines and the **trcgenk** kernel service. Minor devices 1 through 7 of the **trace** drivers support generic trace channels for tracing system activities such as communications link activities.

The **trace** special file is part of Software Trace Service Aids package.

Related information

[trcgenk subroutine](#)

[RAS Kernel Services](#)

tty Special File

Purpose

Supports the controlling terminal interface.

Description

For each process, the **/dev/tty** special file is a synonym for the controlling terminal associated with that process. By directing messages to the **tty** file, application programs and shell sequences can ensure that the messages are written to the terminal even if output is redirected. Programs can also direct their display output to this file so that it is not necessary to identify the active terminal.

A terminal can belong to a process as its controlling terminal. Each process of a session that has a controlling terminal has the same controlling terminal. A terminal can be the controlling terminal for one session at most. If a session leader has no controlling terminal and opens a terminal device file that is not already associated with a session (without using the **O_NOCTTY** option of the [open](#) subroutine), the terminal becomes the controlling terminal of the session leader. If a process that is not a session leader opens a terminal file or if the **O_NOCTTY** option is used, that terminal does not become the controlling terminal of the calling process. When a controlling terminal becomes associated with a session, its foreground process group is set to the process group of the session leader.

The controlling terminal is inherited by a child process during a [fork](#) subroutine. A process cannot end the association with its controlling terminal by closing all of its file descriptors associated with the controlling terminal if other processes continue to have the terminal file open. A process that is not already the session leader or a group leader can break its association with its controlling terminal by using the [setsid](#) subroutine. Other processes remaining in the old session retain their association with the controlling terminal.

When the last file descriptor associated with a controlling terminal is closed (including file descriptors held by processes that are not in the controlling terminal's session), the controlling terminal is disassociated from its current session. The disassociated controlling terminal can then be acquired by a new session leader.

A process can also remove the association it has with its controlling terminal by opening the **tty** file and issuing the following **ioctl** command:

```
ioctl (FileDescriptor, TIOCN0TTY, 0):
```

It is often useful to disassociate server processes from their controlling terminal so they cannot receive input from or be stopped by the terminal.

This device driver also supports the POSIX and Berkeley line disciplines.

Related information

[fork subroutine](#)

[tty Subsystem Overview](#)

urandom and random Devices

Purpose

Source of secure random output.

Description

The **/dev/random** and **/dev/urandom** character devices provide cryptographically secure random output generated from interrupt timings or input written to the devices.

The **/dev/random** device is intended to provide high quality, cryptographically secure random output and will only return output for which sufficient (an equal or greater amount) random input is available to generate the output. If insufficient random input is available, reads from the **/dev/random** device will block until the request can be fulfilled unless the **O_NONBLOCK** flag was specified when the device was opened, in which case as much high quality output as could be generated is returned with the error code **EAGAIN**.

The **/dev/urandom** device provides a reliable source of random output, however the output will not be generated from an equal amount of random input if insufficient input is available. Reads from the **/dev/urandom** device always return the quantity of output requested without blocking. If insufficient random input is available, alternate input will be processed by the random number generator to provide cryptographically secure output, the strength of which will reflect the strength of the algorithms used by the random number generator. Output generated without random input is theoretically less secure than output generated from random input, so **/dev/random** should be used for applications for which a high level of confidence in the security of the output is required.

Data written to either device is added to the pool of stored random input and may be used for generating output. Writes behave identically for both devices and will not block.

Implementation Specifics

The **/dev/random** and **/dev/urandom** devices are created from major and minor numbers assigned by the device configuration subsystem when the random number generator is loaded, so the device names should always be used when attempting to locate or open the devices. The devices are deleted when the random number generator is unloaded. When the system is shut down using the shutdown command, output is taken from the **/dev/urandom** device and is written back to the **/dev/random** device when the random number generator is loaded on the next boot to provide starting entropy to the generator, enhancing the quality of the stored random input after boot.

Input is gathered from interrupt timings when the pool of stored random input falls below half full and continues to be gathered until the pool is again full. This process causes a minor performance impact to all external interrupts while timings are being gathered, which ceases when timings cease to be gathered. Data written to either of the random devices will also contribute to the pool of stored random input and can influence the output, thus writing to these devices should be a privileged operation. This is enforced by the permissions of the devices, so it can be changed by the administrator to be completely disallowed if desired.

usb0 Special File

Purpose

Provides access to the Universal Serial Bus (USB) protocol driver.

Syntax

```
#include <sys/dump.h>
```

Description

The **usb0** special file provides an interface to a USB protocol pseudo device. This special file must not be opened directly by application programs (with the exception of diagnostics applications). The **usb0** special file is only special file created as USB protocol pseudo device irrespective of the type of the host controllers.

usbhc Special File

Purpose

Provides access to the Universal Serial Bus (USB) adapter device driver. This host controller adapter device can be: a Enhanced Host Controller Interface (EHCI) or Extensible Host Controller Interface (xHCI) or Open Host Controller Interface (OHCI).

Description

The **usbhc** special file provides an interface to an USB adapter device. This special file must not be opened directly by the application programs (with the exception of diagnostics applications). The **/dev/usbhc0..** and **/dev/usbhc1..** are the special files.

For each physical EHCI capable adapter, three special files will be created out of which two provide interface to the OHCI (companion controllers) and the other provides interface to the EHCI controller. For each physical OHCI and XHCI capable adapters, one special file will be created.

Related information

[Enhanced Host Controller Adapter Device Driver](#)

[Extensible Host Controller Adapter Device Driver](#)

[Open Host Controller Adapter Device Driver](#)

usbllibdev Special File

Purpose

Provides access to the libusb devices.

Description

The usbllibdev special file provides access to the libusb devices. The libusb devices can belong to any of the USB class, USB subclass, or USB protocol. The libusb devices are discovered only when the usbllibconfig attribute of the USB protocol device (usb0) is set to available.

To enable the libusb devices, enter:

```
#chdev -a usbllibconfig="available" -l usb0
```

To disable the libusb devices, enter:

```
#chdev -a usbllibconfig="defined" -l usb0
```

Note: The usbllibconfig attribute can also be set by using the `smitty usb` command. The usb0 USB protocol device must be in the state defined to successfully change the usbllibconfig attribute. The usbllibdev special file might not be opened by the applications directly. You can open the devices only by using the libusb APIs.

Related information

[USBLIBDD Passthrough Driver](#)

[smitty command](#)

usbms Special File

Purpose

Provides access to the [USB mass storage client device driver](#).

Description

The **usbms** special file provides block and character (raw) access to USB Bulk Mass Storage devices similar to Removable Disk EXchange (RDX), flash drives, and disk devices.

The **r** prefix on a special file name means that the drive is accessed as a raw device rather than a block device. The performance of all data transfers in multiples of the logical block length of the disk is required for performing raw I/O operation on a RDX, flash drive, and disk drive devices. Also, all the **lseek** subroutines made to the raw USB Mass storage device must set the file offset pointer to a value that is a multiple of the specified logical block size.

USB Mass Storage Bulk Flash or RDX Devices

The special files `/dev/usbms0` and `/dev/usbms1,...` provide block access to USB Mass Storage Bulk Flash or RDX devices. The special file `/dev/rusbms0`, `/dev/rusbms1,...` provide character access.

When a RDX cartridge is ejected from the drive for a mounted CD-ROM or UDFS file system, the files on the cartridge cannot be accessed. Before these files can be accessed again, the file systems mounted from the cartridge must be unmounted. Processes that have open files on these file systems must be exited. Processes that have current directories on these file systems must be moved. If these actions do not work, perform a force unmount.

The **man** command can become unresponsive if you eject the RDX cartridge from a mounted CD-ROM or UDFS file system. Reinserting the cartridge disc does not fix the problem. All processes (graphical and ASCII) must be exited and the file system must be force unmounted and mounted again. The **man** commands can then be started again.

vty_server Special File

Purpose

The virtual terminal server (vty_server or vts) is an AIX device driver used to create a tty-style connection from the partition on which the virtual terminal server is running to a virtual terminal (not a virtual terminal server) on another partition.

Description

The vty has a controller side (vty server) and a worker side (vty). The vty server is opened and used by special programs such as `mkvtterm`. The vty is opened and used by shells such as `ksh`. The data path is bidirectional.

vts_ioctl

The `vts_ioctl` command is called via the device switch table when an application calls `ioctl` with a file descriptor that was returned from a successful `open` of a vts port. `vts_ioctl` performs specialized control operations on the port.

Syntax

```
struct vts_ioctl {
    void *vi_buffer;           /* pointer to user's buffer */
    int vi_bufsize;           /* size of user's buffer */
    int vi_offset;             /* offset into data */
    int vi_result;             /* bytes transferred */
};
```

The `vi_buffer` parameter is a pointer to a buffer in user space. The `vi_bufsize` parameter specifies the size of the buffer. For `VTS_READ_CLCS` and `VTS_READ_PARTNER`, data is moved from the vts driver into the buffer specified by `vi_buffer`. For `VTS_WRITE_PARTNER`, data is pulled from the buffer specified by `vi_buffer` and moved into the vts driver.

The `vi_offset` parameter is used only for `VTS_READ_CLCS`. An application can make multiple `VTS_READ_CLCS` `ioctl` calls; the driver may have more data to transfer to the application than will fit in the buffer that is specified by the `vi_buffer` parameter.

The `vi_offset` is set to 0 for the first `VTS_READ_CLCS`. This causes the driver to query PHYP for the current list of possible CLCs. The first sequence of the CLCs is moved into user space. Each CLC is separated by a new line and the last CLC is terminated by a null. A count of the number of bytes moved into user space (excluding the terminating null) is stored in `vi_result`.

The application determines how the data is processed (for example, the application may save the data in a linked list). `vi_result` is then added to `vi_offset` and another `VTS_READ_CLCS` is performed. This causes the driver to move the next set of CLCs into the application's buffer. This sequence of operations continues until zero is returned in `vi_result`.

A sequence of VTS_READ_CLCS calls results in a sequence of CLCs separated by new lines and terminated by a null. The following are the possible error conditions:

EIO

A driver call to PHYP returned with an error.

ENOMEM

No memory is available to hold the CLC list.

EPERM

The copyin or copyout failed.

A VTS_READ_PARTNER call returns the value that was passed on the last successful VTS_WRITE_PARTNER call. If the vts is not currently connected, a null string is returned. The only possible errors are errors that are returned by copyin or copyout routines.

The VTS_WRITE_PARTNER call creates and ends connections. The following are possible errors when ending a connection:

ENXIO

The vts is not currently connected.

EIO

The H_FREE_VTERM call to PHYP returned H_HARDWARE. This usually indicates that there is a problem with PHYP or that the partition connection failed.

EINVAL

The H_FREE_VTERM call to PHYP returned H_PARAMETER. This usually indicates a driver problem.

To create a connection, the buffer must contain a CLC that was passed from VTS_READ_CLCS. The CLC can contain the ending new line, which is removed. The following are possible errors:

EBUSY

The vts is already connected. Use VTS_READ_PARTNER to determine where the vts is connected, or use VTS_WRITE_PARTNER with a null name to end the connection.

EINVAL

The CLC that was passed is not in the list of valid connections for this vts. EINVAL is also returned if the H_REGISTER_VTERM call to PHYP returns H_PARAMETER.

Note: If a reconfiguration has occurred, the list of valid CLCs may have changed.

EIO

The H_REGISTER_VTERM call to PHYP returned H_PARAMETER. This may be due to a failed PHYP.

Related information

[ioctl subroutine](#)

[ttyname subroutine](#)

[tty Subsystem](#)

Header Files

Information that is needed by several different files or functions is collected into a header file. A header file contains C-language definitions and structures. Centralizing information into a header file facilitates the creation and update of programs. Because **#include** statements are used to insert header files into a C-language program, header files are often referred to as include files.

Header files define the following functions:

- Structures of certain files and subroutines
- Type definition (typedef) synonyms for data types
- System parameters or implementation characteristics
- Constants and macros that are substituted during the C language preprocessing phase

By convention, the names of header files end with **.h** (dot h). The **.h** suffix is used by header files that are provided with the operating system; however, the suffix is not required for user-generated header files.

Note: Several of the header files provided with the operating system end with **.inc** (include file).

Additional header files are provided with the operating system. Most of these can be found in either the **/usr/include** directory or the **/usr/include/sys** directory. Use the **pg** command to view the contents of a header file.

More information about the following header files is provided in this documentation:

Item	Description
<u>a.out.h</u>	Defines the structure of the standard a.out file.
<u>acct.h</u>	Describes the format of the records in the system accounting files.
<u>ar.h</u>	Describes the format of an archive file.
<u>audit.h</u>	Defines values used by the auditing system as well as the structure of a bin.
<u>core.h</u>	Describes the structures created as a result of a core dump.
<u>ct_ffdc.h</u>	Provides data types, definitions, and interface prototypes for the First Failure Data Capture (FFDC) C language library interfaces.
<u>dirent.h</u>	Describes the format of a file system-independent directory entry.
<u>eucioctl.h</u>	Defines ioctl operations and data types for handling EUC code sets.
<u>fcntl.h</u>	Defines values for the fcntl and open subroutines.
<u>filsys.h</u>	Contains the format of a file system logical volume.
<u>flock.h</u>	Defines the file control options.
<u>fullstat.h</u>	Describes the data structure returned by the fullstat and ffullstat subroutines.
<u>iconv.h</u>	Defines types, macros, and subroutines for character code set conversion.
<u>ipc.h</u>	Defines structures used by the subroutines that perform interprocess communications operations.
<u>ldr.h</u>	Describes the ld_info data type and loader entry points.
<u>libperfstst.h</u>	Describes the structures and constants used by the libperfstat.h API subroutines.
<u>limits.h</u>	Defines implementation limits identified by the IEEE POSIX 1003 standard.
<u>math.h</u>	Defines math subroutines and constants
<u>mode.h</u>	Defines the interpretation of a file mode.
<u>msg.h</u>	Defines structures used by the subroutines that perform message queueing operations.
<u>mtio.h</u>	Defines the magnetic tape user include file.
<u>param.h</u>	Defines certain hardware-dependent parameters.
<u>poll.h</u>	Defines the pollfd structure used by the poll subroutine.
<u>sem.h</u>	Defines the structures that are used by subroutines that perform semaphore operations.
<u>sgtty.h</u>	Defines structures used by the Berkeley terminal interface.
<u>shm.h</u>	Defines structures used by the subroutines that perform shared memory operations.
<u>spc.h</u>	Defines external interfaces provided by the System Resource Controller (SRC) subroutines.
<u>srcobj.h</u>	Defines structures used by the System Resource Controller (SRC) subsystem.
<u>stat.h</u>	Describes the data structure returned by the status subroutines.

Item	Description
statfs.h	Describes the structure of the statistics returned by the status subroutines.
statvfs.h	Describes the structure of the statistics that are returned by the statvfs subroutines and fsatvfs subroutines.
systemcfg.h	Defines the _system_configuration structure.
tar.h	Defines flags used in the tar archive header.
termio.h	Defines structures used by the terminal interface for compatibility of Version 2 of the operating system.
termios.h	Defines structures used by the POSIX terminal interface.
termiox.h	Defines the structure of the termiox file, which provides the extended terminal interface.
trace.h	Defines implementation trace identified by IEEE POSIX 1003.
types.h	Defines primitive system data types.
unistd.h	Defines POSIX implementation characteristics.
utmp.h	Defines the format of certain user and accounting information files.
values.h	Defines hardware-dependent values.
vmount.h	Describes the structure of a mounted file system.

Related information

[pg Command](#)

List of Major Control Block Header Files

The Base Operating System constants and control block structure definitions are contained in [header files](#) in the **/usr/include** and **/usr/include/sys** directories. The following are the major constants and control blocks and their corresponding header files:

Item	Description
/usr/include/a.out.h	Common Object File Format (COFF) structures
/usr/include/core.h	An include file for the /usr/include/sys/core.h header file
/usr/include/errno.h	An include file for the /usr/include/sys/errno.h header file
/usr/include/lvmrec.h	LVM record structure
/usr/include/sgtty.h	Line discipline structures and constants for Berkeley compatibility
/usr/include/signal.h	An include file for the /usr/include/sys/signal.h header file
/usr/include/termio.h	An include file for the /usr/include/sys/termio.h header file
/usr/include/termios.h	POSIX line-discipline structures and constants
/usr/include/xcoff.h	Extended Common Object File Format structures
/usr/include/sys/acct.h	Accounting structures
/usr/include/sys/badisk.h	Bus-attached-disk structures
/usr/include/sys/bbdir.h	Bad-block directory structure
/usr/include/sys/bootrecord.h	Boot record structure
/usr/include/sys/buf.h	Buffer header structures
/usr/include/sys/cdrom.h	CD-ROM structures

Item	Description
<code>/usr/include/sys/cfgodm.h</code>	Configuration object class structures
<code>/usr/include/sys/configrec.h</code>	Disk configuration record structure
<code>/usr/include/sys/core.h</code>	Core dump structure
<code>/usr/include/sys/debug.h</code>	Traceback table or procedure-end table
<code>/usr/include/sys/device.h</code>	Device switch table
<code>/usr/include/sys/deviceq.h</code>	Device queue-management structures
<code>/usr/include/sys/devinfo.h</code>	Device information structures
<code>/usr/include/sys/dir.h</code>	Directory entry structures
<code>/usr/include/sys/display.h</code>	Virtual display driver structures
<code>/usr/include/sys/dump.h</code>	Component dump table structure
<code>/usr/include/sys/entuser.h</code>	Ethernet device driver structures
<code>/usr/include/sys/errids.h</code>	Error-log record identifiers
<code>/usr/include/sys/errno.h</code>	Error codes
<code>/usr/include/sys/fd.h</code>	Diskette device driver structures
<code>/usr/include/sys/file.h</code>	File structure
<code>/usr/include/sys/fstypes.h</code>	File-system parameter table
<code>/usr/include/sys/hd_psn.h</code>	Layout of reserved space on the disk
<code>/usr/include/sys/ide.h</code>	IDE device driver structures
<code>/usr/include/sys/inode.h</code>	I-node structures
<code>/usr/include/sys/intr.h</code>	Interrupt handler structures
<code>/usr/include/sys/ipc.h</code>	Interprocess Communications (IPC) structures

Item	Description
<code>/usr/include/sys/iplcb.h</code>	Initial Program Load (IPL) control block structure
<code>/usr/include/sys/ldr.h</code>	Loader structures and constants
<code>/usr/include/sys/low.h</code>	Kernel Page 0 definition
<code>/usr/include/sys/machine.h</code>	Machine dependent control registers
<code>/usr/include/sys/mbuf.h</code>	Memory buffer structures
<code>/usr/include/sys/mdio.h</code>	Machine device driver structures
<code>/usr/include/sys/mount.h</code>	Mount structures
<code>/usr/include/sys/mpqp.h</code>	Multiprotocol Quad Port (MPQP) device-driver structures
<code>/usr/include/sys/msg.h</code>	Message queue structures
<code>/usr/include/sys/mstsave.h</code>	Machine State Save Area structures
<code>/usr/include/sys/param.h</code>	Process management constants
<code>/usr/include/sys/pri.h</code>	Constants for process priorities
<code>/usr/include/sys/proc.h</code>	Process table structure
<code>/usr/include/sys/pseg.h</code>	Process private segment layout
<code>/usr/include/sys/reg.h</code>	Machine-dependent registers

Item	Description
<code>/usr/include/sys/scdisk.h</code>	SCSI-disk device driver structures
<code>/usr/include/sys/scsi.h</code>	SCSI device driver structures
<code>/usr/include/sys/seg.h</code>	Memory management constants
<code>/usr/include/sys/sem.h</code>	Semaphore structures
<code>/usr/include/sys/shm.h</code>	Shared-memory facility structures
<code>/usr/include/sys/signal.h</code>	Signal structures and constants
<code>/usr/include/sys/socketvar.h</code>	Sockets structures
<code>/usr/include/sys/stat.h</code>	File status structure
<code>/usr/include/sys/system.h</code>	System global declarations
<code>/usr/include/sys/termio.h</code>	Line discipline structures and constants for compatibility of Version 2 of the operating system
<code>/usr/include/sys/timer.h</code>	Timer structures
<code>/usr/include/sys/tokuser.h</code>	Token-ring device handler structures
<code>/usr/include/sys/trchkid.h</code>	Trace hook IDs
<code>/usr/include/sys/user.h</code>	User structure or user area (ublock)
<code>/usr/include/sys/utsname.h</code>	UTSNAME structure (system name, node ID, machine ID)
<code>/usr/include/sys/var.h</code>	Runtime system parameter structure
<code>/usr/include/sys/vfs.h</code>	Virtual file system structures
<code>/usr/include/sys/vnode.h</code>	Virtual i-node (v-node) structures
<code>/usr/include/sys/xcoff.h</code>	Extended Common Object File Format structures
<code>/usr/include/sys/xmalloc.h</code>	Heap structure
<code>/usr/include/sys/xmem.h</code>	Cross memory service structures

ct_ffdc.h File

Purpose

Provides data types, definitions, and interface prototypes for the First Failure Data Capture (FFDC) C language library interfaces.

Description

This header file must be included by any C and C++ language source code files that make use of the First Failure Data Capture C language interfaces. This file contains the C language prototypes for the First Failure Data Capture interfaces, the symbolic constants used as return codes from these interfaces, and data type definitions needed by First Failure Data Capture C and C++ language clients.

C Language Interface Selection Control

This file provides the compiler definition **FC_VERSION**. This definition controls which version of the First Failure Data Capture interfaces should be used during compilation of the source code. Currently, only one version of the First Failure Data Capture interfaces are available, and the value of **FC_VERSION** is set to a default value of 1. Future versions of the First Failure Data Capture interfaces can be used during compilation—when they become available—by setting the value for **FC_VERSION** on the compilation command line. If this variable is not set during compilation, the value for **FC_VERSION** reverts to the default value of 1, and the initial version of the FFDC interfaces is used.

Data Types

The **fc_eid_t** data type defined by this module is used to store a First Failure Data Capture Failure Identifier. This identifier is created by the **fc_push_stack** and **fc_log_error** interfaces whenever these interfaces are successful in recording failure information. This identifier contains information in an encoded form to indicate the system on which the record was made, the time when the record was made, and the location of the record. First Failure Data Capture commands such as **fcreport** and **fcstkprpt** can be used at a later time to obtain the exact failure report for problem determination efforts.

FFDC Environment Establishment Codes

A First Failure Data Capture client application uses the **fc_init** interface to specify how the FFDC Environment should be established. The following selections are supported:

FC_LOG

A basic FFDC Environment is established, which permits the application to record failure information to the AIX Error Log and the BSD System Log. An FFDC Error Stack is not established for use by the application in this case, unless this value is combined with either the **FC_STACK_CREAT** or the **FC_STACK_INHERIT** options described below. This selection would be used by applications making use of the **fc_log_error** interface only.

FC_STACK_CREAT

Creates an FFDC Error Stack Environment if one was not previously created by an ancestor of this process, or inherits the FFDC Error Stack Environment if an ancestor previously established one. The FFDC Error Stack Environment permits the application to record information to the AIX Error Log, the BSD System Log, and the FFDC Error Stack. This selection is used by applications that wish to use the **fc_push_stack** interface as well as the **fc_log_error** interface. This selection is not to be combined with the **FC_STACK_INHERIT** option described next.

FC_STACK_INHERIT

Inherit an FFDC Error Stack Environment only if an ancestor process previously established an FFDC Error Stack Environment. If an ancestor did not establish such an environment, the application does not make use of an FFDC Error Stack, but may still make use of the AIX Error Log and the BSD System Log. Do not combine this selection with the **FC_STACK_CREAT** option specified previously.

Record Type Definitions

Seven FFDC Event Types are specified in this file. These event types are used to instruct the **fc_log_error** interface as to the severity of the condition being logged:

FFDC_EMERG

A severe failure has occurred, and the system is in danger of coming offline. This information is required by the system administrator to bring the system back online. The AIX Error Log type equivalent is **PEND**. The BSD System Log priority equivalent is **LOG_EMERG**.

FFDC_ERROR

A permanent failure has occurred, and the condition will persist until it is repaired. The system is not in danger of coming offline. The AIX Error Log type equivalent is **PERM**. The BSD System Log priority equivalent is **LOG_ERR**.

FFDC_STATE

An event of some significance has occurred, but the event does not constitute a failure condition. The AIX Error Log type equivalent is **INFO**. The BSD System Log priority equivalent is **LOG_NOTICE**.

FFDC_PERF

A condition has been noticed which can or will degrade the system's performance below acceptable levels. The system is not in danger of coming offline, but performance may be unacceptably slow, which can result in random failures in system applications, such as timeout conditions. The AIX Error Log type equivalent is **PERF**. The BSD System Log priority equivalent is **LOG_WARNING**.

FFDC_TRACE

This entry identifies the name and location of a trace file generated by an application or system component. Such an entry would be made when a trace has been enabled in an application or a component, to indicate where the trace file resides. The AIX Error Log type equivalent is UNKN. The BSD System Log priority equivalent is LOG_INFO.

FFDC_RECOV

A recovery action has been successfully completed by the system in response to an FFDC_EMERG, FFDC_ERROR, or FFDC_PERF condition. Such an entry would be created only after an FFDC_EMERG, FFDC_ERROR, or FFDC_PERF condition was detected, and a recovery action started in response to that condition completed successfully. The AIX Error Log type equivalent is TEMP. The BSD System Log priority equivalent is LOG_DEBUG.

FFDC_DEBUG

A failure condition was detected. Unlike the FFDC_ERROR case, the failure is not a permanent condition, or the system can continue successfully with the condition present. The AIX Error Log type equivalent is UNKN. The BSD System Log priority equivalent is LOG_DEBUG.

Examples

To use this file in a C or C++ language program, add the following line near the beginning of the source code module:

```
#include <rsct/ct_ffdc.h>
```

Location

/opt/rsct/include/ct_ffdc.h

/usr/include/rsct/ct_ffdc.h

dirent.h File

The **_DNAME_MAX** and **PATH_MAX** constants specify maximum file names and path names, respectively, across all types of file systems. The constants defined by a particular file system are applicable only to that file system. Using file system-specific constants and directory structures makes it very difficult to port code across different types of file systems.

Purpose

Describes the format of a file system-independent directory entry.

Description

The **/usr/include/dirent.h** file describes the format of a directory entry without reference to the type of underlying system.

The **dirent** structure, defined in the **dirent.h** file, is used for directory access operations. Using these access operations and the **dirent** structure, along with its associated constants and macros, shields you from the details of implementing a directory and provides a consistent interface to directories across all types of file systems.

The **dirent** structure contains the following fields for each directory entry:

```
ulong_t d_offset;          /* actual offset of this entry */
ino_t    d_ino;            /* inode number of entry */
ushort_t d_reclen;         /* length of this entry */
ushort_t d_namlen;         /* length of string in d_name */
char d_name[_D_NAME_MAX+1]; /* name of entry (filename) */
```

_D_NAME_MAX is a constant that indicates the maximum number of bytes in a file name for all file systems. (Related to this constant is the **PATH_MAX** constant, which specifies the maximum number of bytes in the full path name of a file, not including the terminating null byte.)

The value of the **_D_NAME_MAX** constant is specific to each type of filesystem type. It can be determined by using the **pathconf** or **fpathconf** subroutine.

The size of a **dirent** structure depends on the number of bytes in the file name.

Related reference

[dir File](#)

[types.h File](#)

Related information

[pathconf or fpathconf subroutine](#)

dlfcn.h File

Purpose

Describes dynamic linking.

Syntax

#include <dlfcn.h>

Description

The **<dlfcn.h>** header defines at least the following macros for use in the construction of a dlopen mode argument:

Item	Description
RTLD_LAZY	Relocations are performed at an implementation-dependent time.
RTLD_NOW	Relocations are performed when the object is loaded.
RTLD_GLOBAL	All symbols are available for relocation processing of other modules
RTLD_LOCAL	All symbols are not made available for relocation processing by other modules.

The header **<dlfcn.h>** declares the following functions, which may also be defined as macros:

```
void    *dlopen(const char *, int);
void    *dlsym(void *, const char *);
int      dlclose(void *);
char    *dLError(void);
```

eucioctl.h File

Purpose

Defines ioctl operations and data types for handling EUC code sets.

Description

The **eucioctl.h** file contains information used for handling Extended UNIX Code (EUC) multibyte code sets. It consists of ioctl operations and the related data structure.

The **eucioc** structure contains the following fields:

Item	Description
<code>euclw[4]</code>	Specifies the memory width of the code set. It indicates the number of bytes used to store the multibyte characters of each of the four classes.
<code>scrlw[4]</code>	Specifies the screen width of the code set. It indicates the number of columns used to display the multibyte characters of each of the four classes.

This structure is used in the following `ioctl` operations:

Item	Description
EUC_WGET	Returns the EUC character widths. The euclw structure is filled with the memory and screen widths of the current EUC code set.
EUC_WSET	Sets the EUC character widths. The euclw structure is used to set the memory and screen widths of the current EUC code set.

Related reference

[setmaps File Format](#)

Related information

[ioctl subroutine](#)

[tty Subsystem Overview](#)

[Understanding Converter Modules](#)

fcntl.h File

Purpose

Defines file control options.

Description

The `/usr/include/fcntl.h` file defines the values that can be specified for the *Command* and *Argument* parameters of the **fcntl** subroutine and for the *Oflag* parameter of the **open** subroutine. The file-status flags of an open file are described in the following information.

Flag Values for open Subroutine

The following flag values are accessible only to the **open** subroutine:

Item	Description
O_RDONLY	Read-only
O_WRONLY	Write-only
O_RDWR	Read and write
O_CREAT	Open with file create (uses the third open argument)
O_TRUNC	Open with truncation
O_DIRECT	Open for Direct I/O
O_EXCL	Exclusive open
	Note: The O_EXCL flag is not fully supported for Network File Systems (NFS). The NFS protocol does not guarantee the designed function of the O_EXCL flag.
O_NOCTTY	Do not assign a controlling terminal
O_RSHARE	Read shared open

Item	Description
O_NSHARE	Read shared open

File Access Mode Mask

The **O_ACCMODE** mask is used to determine the file access mode.

File Status Flags for open and fcntl Subroutines

The following file status flags are accessible to both the **open** and **fcntl** subroutines:

Item	Description
O_NONBLOCK	POSIX nonblocking I/O
FNONBLOCK	POSIX nonblocking I/O
O_APPEND	An append with writes guaranteed at the end
FAPPEND	An append with writes guaranteed at the end
O_SYNC	Synchronous write option
FSYNC	Synchronous write option
O_DSYNC	Synchronous write option (file data only).
FDATASYNC	Synchronous write option (file data only).
O_RSYNC	Synchronous file attributes on read.
FREADSYNC	Synchronous file attributes on read.
FASYNC	Asynchronous I/O
O_NDELAY	Nonblocking I/O
FNDELAY	Nonblocking I/O
O_LARGEFILE	Access to large files enabled .

File Status Flags for open Subroutine

The following file status flags are accessible to the **open** subroutine:

Item	Description
O_DEFER	Deferred update
O_DELAY	Open with delay
O_DIRECT	Open for Direct I/O

File Descriptor Flags for fcntl Subroutine

The following file descriptor flag is accessible to the **fcntl** subroutine:

Item	Description
FD_CLOEXEC	Close this file during an exec.

File flag values corresponding to file access modes are as follows:

Item	Description
FREAD	File is open for read.
FWRITE	File is open for write.

Note:

1. The **FREAD** and **FWRITE** flags cannot be used unless the **_KERNEL** flag has been defined.
2. The **ldfcn.h** file also assigns values to the **FREAD** and **FWRITE** options. If you use the **ldfcn.h** and **fcntl.h** files together, directly or indirectly, you should use the **#undef** statement on the **FREAD** and **FWRITE** options of one of the header files. If you do not, the compiler will return a warning about using duplicate definitions.

Command Values for fcntl Subroutine

The *Command* values for the **fcntl** subroutine (that is, for **fcntl** subroutine requests) are:

Item	Description
F_DUPFD	Duplicate the file description.
F_GETFD	Get the file description flags.
F_SETFD	Set the file description flags.
F_GETFL	Get the file status flags and file access modes.
F_SETFL	Set the file flags.
F_GETLK	Return information about an existing file lock.
F_GETLK64	Return information about an existing file lock.
F_SETLK	Set or clear a file lock.
F_SETLK64	Set or clear a file lock.
F_SETLKW	Set or clear a file lock and wait if blocked.
F_SETLKW64	Set or clear a file lock and wait if blocked.
F_GETOWN	Get the descriptor owner.
F_SETOWN	Set the descriptor owner.

Socket Restrictions

The following *Command* values return **EINVAL** for sockets:

- **F_SETLK**
- **F_SETLKW**
- **F_SETLK64**
- **F_SETLKW64**
- **F_GETLK**
- **F_GETLK64**

Related reference

[types.h File](#)

[unistd.h File](#)

Related information

[fcntl subroutine](#)

filsys.h File

Purpose

Contains the format of a Journaled File System (JFS) logical volume.

Syntax

```
#include <sys/filsys.h>
```


Description

The **filsys.h** file contains the format of a JFS file system. A JFS file system has a common format for vital information and is divided into a number of fixed-sized units, or fragments. Fragments serve as the basic unit of file system disk space allocation and can be smaller than the file system logical block size, which is 4096 bytes. The file system superblock records the logical block size and fragment size, as well as the size of the entire file system.

A unique feature of the JFS is the implementation of file system metadata as unnamed files that reside in that file system. For example, the disk i-nodes for any file system are contained in the blocks fragments allocated to the file described by the **INODES_I** i-node. The i-node number for the boot file is 0. Each of the following reserved i-nodes corresponds to a file system metadata file:

Item	Description
SUPER_I	Superblock file
INODES_I	Disk i-nodes
INDIR_I	Indirect file blocks, double and single
INOMAP_I	i-node allocation bit map
ROOTDIR_I	Root directory i-node
DISKMAP_I	Block Fragment allocation bit map
INDEX_I	i-node extensions
INDEXMAP_I	Allocation map for i-node extensions

The first 4096 bytes of the file system are unused and available to contain a bootstrap program or other information. The second 4096 bytes of the file system are used to hold the file system superblock. The structure of a JFS superblock follows:

```
/* The following disk-blocks are formatted or reserved:
*
*      ipl block 0 - not changed by filesystem.
*
*      superblocks at 1 x 4096 (primary superblock) and 31 x
*      4096 (secondary superblock). the secondary super-block
*      location is likely to be on a different disk-surface than
*      the primary super-block. both structures are allocated as
*      fragments in ".superblock".
*
*      fragments for .inodes according to BSD layout. each
*      allocation group contains a fixed number of disk inodes.
*      for fsv3 file systems, each allocation group contains one
*      inode per 4096 byte fragment of the allocation group,
*      with the number of fragments within each group described
*      by the s_agsize field of the superblock. for fsv3p file
*      systems, the number of inodes per group is described by
*      the s_iagsize field of the superblock and may be less
*      than or greater than the number of fragments per group.
*      for these file systems, s_agsize describes the number of
*      s_fragsize fragments contained within each allocation
*      group.
*
*      the first allocation group inodes starts at 32 x
*      4096 bytes and consumes consecutive fragments sufficient
*      to hold the group's inodes. the inode fragments for all
*      other allocation groups start in the first fragments of
*      the allocation group and continue in consecutive
*      fragments sufficient to hold the group's inodes.
*
*      other fragments are allocated for .indirect, .diskmap,
*      .inodemap, and their indirect blocks starting in the
*      first allocation-group.
*
* The special fs inodes formatted and their usage is as follows:
*
*      inode 0 - never allocated - reserved by setting
*      n_link = 1
*      inode 1 - inode for .superblock
```

```

*      inode 2 - inode for root directory
*      inode 3 - inode for .inodes
*      inode 4 - inode for .indirect
*      inode 5 - inode for .inodemap - allocation map for
*      .inodes
*      inode 6 - inode for .diskmap - disk allocation map
*      inode 7 - inode for .inodex - inode extensions
*      inode 8 - inode for .inodexmap - allocation map for
*      .inodex
*      inode 9 - 16 - reserved for future extensions
*
* except for the root directory, the special inodes are not in
* any directory.
*
*/

```

```

#define
IPL_B          0
#define SUPER_B 1
#define SUPER_B1      31
#define INODES_B      32
#define NON_B        0
#define SUPER_I 1
#define ROOTDIR_I     2
#define INODES_I      3
#define INDIR_I 4
#define INOMAP_I      5
#define DISKMAP_I     6
#define INODEX_I      7
#define INDOESMAP_I   8

```

```

/*
 * super block format. primary superblock is located in the
 * second 4096 bytes of the file system.
 * the secondary super-block is not used except for disaster
 * recovery.
*/
struct superbblock
{
    char s_magic[4];      /* magic number */
    char s_flag[4];       /* flag word (see below) */
    int s_agsize;         /* fragments per allocation group */
    int s_logserial;      /* serial number of log when fs mounted */
    daddr_t s_fsize;      /* size (in 512 bytes) of entire fs */
    short s_bsize;        /* block size (in bytes) for this

        system */
    short s_spare;         /* unused. */
    char s_fname[6];      /* name of this file system */
    char s_fpack[6];      /* name of this volume */
    dev_t s_logdev;       /* device address of log */

    /* current file system state information, values change over
    time */
    char s_fmmod;         /* flag: set when file system is mounted */
    char s_ronly;         /* flag: file system is read only */
    time_t s_time;        /* time of last superbblock update */

    /* more persistent
    information
    nbsp;
    nbsp; */
    int s_version;        /* version
    number

        */
    int s_fragsize;       /* fragment size in bytes (fsv3p only) */
    int s_iagsize;        /* disk inodes per alloc grp (fsv3p only) */
    int s_compress;       /* > 0 if data compression */

};

/* Version 4 fs magic number */
#define fsv4magic "\102\041\207\145"
/* Version 4p fs magic number */
#define fsv4pmagic "\145\207\041\102"
/* Version 4p version number */
#define fsv4pvers 1

```

The path name of this file is `/usr/include/jfs/filsys.h`. But, if the `/usr/include/sys/filsys.h` file is included, the `/usr/include/jfs/filsys.h` file is included by default.

The fields of the superblock structure have the following functions:

Item	Description
<code>s_fname</code>	Specifies the name of the file system.
<code>s_fpack</code>	Specifies the name of the volume on which the file system resides.
<code>s_fsize</code>	Specifies the entire file system size in 512-byte units.
<code>s_bsize</code>	Specifies the file-system logical block size in bytes.
<code>s_fragsize</code>	Specifies the file system fragment size and is only valid for fsv3p file systems. For fsv3 file systems, the file-system fragment size is logically defined as the file-system logical block size.
<code>s_agsize</code>	Specifies the number of fragments per file system allocation group. For fsv3 file systems, this field also specifies the number of disk i-nodes per file system allocation group.
<code>s_iagsize</code>	Specifies the number of disk i-nodes per file system allocation group for fsv3p file systems. The <code>s_iagsize</code> field is only valid for fsv3p file systems.
<code>s_magic</code>	<p>Specifies the file-system magic number and is used to validate file systems. The <i>magic number</i> is encoded as a 4-byte character string to make it possible to validate the superblock without knowing the byte order of the remaining fields. To check for a valid fsv3 superblock, use a condition similar to:</p> <pre>if (strncmp(sp->s_magic,fsv3magic,4) == 0)</pre> <p>For fsv3p file systems, superblock validation is made by checking both the <code>s_magic</code> and <code>s_version</code> fields.</p>
<code>s_version</code>	<p>Specifies the file-system version number and is only valid for fsv3p file systems. To check for a valid fsv3p superblock, use a condition similar to:</p> <pre>if (strncmp(sp->s_magic,fsv3pmagic,4) == 0 && sp->s_version == fsv3pvers)</pre>
<code>s_logdev</code>	Specifies the device ID of the file system log device.
<code>s_logserial</code>	Records the serial number of the log device at the time the file system was last mounted as modifiable.
<code>s_fmod</code>	<p>Contains a flag to indicate the cleanliness of the file system. Whenever a file system is mounted, this flag is checked and a warning message is printed if the <code>s_fmod</code> field is equal to nonzero. A file system whose <code>s_fmod</code> field is equal to 0 is very likely to be clean, and a file system whose <code>s_fmod</code> field is equal to 2 is likely to have problems. The <code>s_fmod</code> field is intended to be a three-state flag with the third state being a sticky state. The three states are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 0 = File system is clean and unmounted.• 1 = File system is clean and mounted.• 2 = File system was mounted dirty. <p>If you only mount and unmount the file system, the flag toggles back and forth between states 0 and 1. If you mount the file system while the flag is in state 1, the flag goes to state 2 and stays there until you run the fsck command. The only way to clean up a corrupted file system (change the flag from state 2 back to state 0) is to run the fsck command.</p>

Item	Description
s_ronly	Contains a flag indicating that the file system is mounted read-only. This flag is maintained in memory only; its value on disk is not valid.
s_time	Specifies the last time the superblock of the file system was changed (in seconds since 00:00 Jan. 1, 1970 (GMT)).

Related reference

[param.h File](#)

Related information

[fsck command](#)

[fsdb command](#)

flock.h File

Purpose

Defines file control options.

Description

The **flock** structure in the **/usr/include/sys/flock.h** file, which describes a lock, contains the following fields:

Item	Description
l_type	Describes the type of lock. If the value of the <i>Command</i> parameter to the fcntl subroutine is F_SETLK or F_SETLKW , the l_type field indicates the type of lock to be created. Possible values are: <p>F_RDLCK A read lock is requested.</p> <p>F_WRLCK A write lock is requested.</p> <p>F_UNLCK Unlock. An existing lock is to be removed.</p> <p>If the value of the <i>Command</i> parameter to the fcntl subroutine is F_GETLK, the l_type field describes an existing lock. Possible values are:</p> <p>F_RDLCK A conflicting read lock exists.</p> <p>F_WRLCK A conflicting write lock exists.</p> <p>F_UNLCK No conflicting lock exists.</p>

Item	Description
<code>l_whence</code>	<p>Defines the starting offset. The value of this field indicates the point from which the relative offset, the <code>l_start</code> field, is measured. Possible values are:</p> <p>SEEK_SET The relative offset is measured from the start of the file.</p> <p>SEEK_CUR The relative offset is measured from the current position.</p> <p>SEEK_END The relative offset is measured from the end of the file.</p> <p>These values are defined in the unistd.h file.</p>
<code>l_start</code>	Defines the relative offset in bytes, measured from the starting point in the <code>l_whence</code> field.
<code>l_len</code>	Specifies the number of consecutive bytes to be locked.
<code>l_sysid</code>	Contains the ID of the node that already has a lock placed on the area defined by the fcntl subroutine. This field is returned only when the value of the <i>Command</i> parameter is F_GETLK .
<code>l_pid</code>	Contains the ID of a process that already has a lock placed on the area defined by the fcntl subroutine. This field is returned only when the value of the <i>Command</i> parameter is F_GETLK .
<code>l_vfs</code>	Specifies the file system type of the node identified in the <code>l_sysid</code> field.

Although the **flock** structure is used by application programs to make file lock requests, the extended **flock** structure, **struct eflock**, is used internally by the kernel. The **eflock** structure is identical to the **flock** structure in that it has the same fields. The differences are that the `l_len` and `l_start` fields are 64 bit integers.

The **flock64** structure in the `/usr/include/sys/flock.h` file, which describes a lock, contains the following fields:

Item	Description
<code>l_type</code>	<p>Describes the type of lock. If the value of the <i>Command</i> parameter to the fcntl subroutine is F_SETLK or F_SETLKW, the <code>l_type</code> field indicates the type of lock to be created. Possible values are:</p> <p>F_RDLCK A read lock is requested.</p> <p>F_WRLCK A write lock is requested.</p> <p>F_UNLCK Unlock. An existing lock is to be removed.</p> <p>If the value of the <i>Command</i> parameter to the fcntl subroutine is F_GETLK, the <code>l_type</code> field describes an existing lock. Possible values are:</p> <p>F_RDLCK A conflicting read lock exists.</p> <p>F_WRLCK A conflicting write lock exists.</p> <p>F_UNLCK No conflicting lock exists.</p>

Item	Description
<code>l_whence</code>	Defines the starting offset. The value of this field indicates the point from which the relative offset, the <code>l_start</code> field, is measured. Possible values are: SEEK_SET The relative offset is measured from the start of the file. SEEK_CUR The relative offset is measured from the current position. SEEK_END The relative offset is measured from the end of the file. These values are defined in the unistd.h file.
<code>l_start</code>	Defines the relative offset in bytes, measured from the starting point in the <code>l_whence</code> field. This field is of the type <code>off64_t</code> .
<code>l_len</code>	Specifies the number of consecutive bytes to be locked. This field is of the type <code>off64_t</code> .
<code>l_sysid</code>	Contains the ID of the node that already has a lock placed on the area defined by the fcntl subroutine. This field is returned only when the value of the <i>Command</i> parameter is F_GETLK .
<code>l_pid</code>	Contains the ID of a process that already has a lock placed on the area defined by the fcntl subroutine. This field is returned only when the value of the <i>Command</i> parameter is F_GETLK .
<code>l_vfs</code>	Specifies the file system type of the node identified in the <code>l_sysid</code> field.

Related reference

[unistd.h File](#)

Related information

[fcntl subroutine](#)

[lockfx, lock, or flock subroutine](#)

fullstat.h File

Purpose

Defines the data structure returned by the **fullstat** subroutine.

Description

The **/usr/include/sys/fullstat.h** file defines the data structure returned by the **fullstat** and **ffullstat** subroutines. This file also defines the *Command* parameters used by the **fullstat** and **ffullstat** subroutines. The **fullstat** structure contains the following fields:

Note: Time is measured in seconds since 00:00:00 GMT, January 1, 1970.

Item	Description
<code>st_dev</code>	ID of device containing a directory entry for this file. The file serial number and the device ID uniquely identify the file within the system.
<code>st_ino</code>	File serial number.
<code>st_mode</code>	The mode of the file, as defined in the /usr/include/sys/mode.h file.
<code>st_nlink</code>	Number of links to file.
<code>st_uid</code>	User ID of the owner of the file.
<code>st_gid</code>	Group ID of the file owner group.

Item	Description
<code>st_rdev</code>	ID of this device. This field is defined only for character or block special files.
<code>st_size</code>	File size in bytes.
<code>st_atime</code>	Time of last access.
<code>st_mtime</code>	Time of last data modification.
<code>st_ctime</code>	Time of last file status change.
<code>st_blksize</code>	Optimal block size for the file system.
<code>st_blocks</code>	Number of blocks actually allocated to the file.
<code>st_vfstype</code>	File-system type as defined in the vmount.h file.
<code>fst_type</code>	Type of v-node.
<code>fst_vfs</code>	Virtual file system ID.
<code>fst_flag</code>	Indicates whether directory or file is a virtual mount point.
<code>fst_i_gen</code>	Generation number of the i-node.
<code>fst_reserved[8]</code>	Reserved.

The following fields are maintained for source-level compatibility with previous versions of the operating system:

```
fst_uid_rev_tag
fst_gid_rev_tag
fst_nid
```

Related reference

[mode.h File](#)

[vmount.h File](#)

Related information

[statx, stat, lstat, fstax, fstat, fullstat, or ffullstat subroutine](#)

grp.h File

Purpose

Describes group structure.

Syntax

#include <grp.h>

Description

The **grp.h** header declares the structure **group** that includes the following members:

```
char    *gr_name  the name of the group
gid_t   gr_gid    numerical group ID
char    **gr_mem  pointer to a null-terminated array of character pointers to member names
```

The **gid_t** type is defined as described in the **sys/types.h** header file.

The following are declared as functions and may also be defined as macros. Function prototypes must be provided for use with an ISO C compiler.

```
struct group *getgrgid(gid_t);
struct group *getgrnam(const char *);
```

```

int      getgrgid_r(gid_t, struct group *, char *, size_t, struct group **);
int      getgrnam_r(const char *, struct group *, char *, size_t, struct group **);
struct group *getgrent(void);
void     endgrent(void);
void     setgrent(void);

```

Related reference

[types.h File](#)

Related information

[getgrent, endgrent, getgrnam, getgrgid subroutine](#)

iconv.h File

Purpose

Defines types, macros, and subroutines for character code set conversion.

Description

The **/usr/include/iconv.h** file defines types, subroutines, and macros used in character code-set conversion by the iconv family of subroutines and commands. The **iconv.h** file defines the **iconv_t** data type.

Related information

[genxlt command](#)

[iconv command](#)

[Converters Overview for Programming](#)

inode.h File

Purpose

Describes a file system file or directory entry as it is listed on a disk.

Syntax

```

#include <sys/types.h>
#include <sys/ino.h>

```

Description

The **inode** file for an ordinary file or directory in a file system has the following structure defined by the **sys/ino.h** file format:

```

struct dinode
{
    /* generation number */
    ulong di_gen;
    /* mode_t returned by stat () */
    /* format, attributes and permission bits */
    mode_t di_mode;

    /* number of links to file(if 0, inode is available) */
    ushort di_nlink;

    /* accounting ID */
    ushort di_acct;

    /* user id of owner */
    uid_t di_uid;

    /* group id of owner */
    gid_t di_gid;

```



```

/* size of file */
off_t di_size;

/* number of blocks actually used by file */
ulong di_nblocks;

/* time last modified */
struct timestruc_t di_mtime_ts;

/* time last accessed */
struct timestruc_t di_atime_ts;

/* time last changed inode */
struct timestruc_t di_ctime_ts;

/*defines for old time_t names */
#define di_mtime    di_mtime_ts.tv_sec
#define di_atime    di_atime_ts.tv_sec
#define di_ctime    di_ctime_ts.tv_sec

/* extended access control information */
long di_acl; /* acl pointer */
#define ACL_INCORE (1<<31)
ulong di_sec; /* reserved */

/* spares */
ulong di_rsrvd[5];

/***** file type-dependent information *****/
/* size of private data in disk inode is D_PRIVATE.
 * location and size of fields depend on object type.
 */
#define D_PRIVATE 48

union di_info
{
    /* all types must fit within d_private */
    char d_private[D_PRIVATE];
    /* jfs regular file or directory. */
    struct regdir
    {
        /*privilege vector-only for non-directory */
        struct
        {
            ulong_di_offset;
            ulong_di_flags;
            define;PCL_ENABLED(1<<31)
            define PCL_EXTENDED(1<<30)
            define PCL_FLAGS\
                (PCL_ENABLED|PCL_EXTENDED)
        }_di_privinfo;
        priv_t_di_priv;
        /* ACL templates - only for directory */
        struct
        {
            ulong_di_aclf;
            ulong_di_acld;
            {_di_aclinfo;
        }_di_sec;
    }_di_file;

/* offsets of regular file or directory private data. */
#define di_rdaddr    _di_info._di_file._di_rdaddr
#define di_vindirect _di_info._di_file._di_vindirect
#define di_rindirect _di_info._di_file._di_rindirect
#define di_privinfo  _di_info._di_file._di_sec._di_privinfo
#define di_privoffset _di_privinfo._di_privoffset
#define di_privflags _di_privinfo._di_privflags
#define di_priv      _di_info._di_file._di_sec._di_priv
#define di_aclf      _di_info._di_file._di_sec._di_aclinfo._di_aclf
#define di_acld      _di_info._di_file._di_sec._di_aclinfo._di_acld
/*special file (device) */
    struct
    {
        dev_t_di_rdev;
    }_di_dev;

/* offsets of special file private data. */
#define di_rdev      _di_infor._di_dev._di_rdev
#define di_bnlastr   _di_info._di_dev._di_bnlastr
#define di_dgp       _di_info._di_dev._di_dgp

```

```

#   define di_pino           _di_info._di_dev._di_pino

/*
 * symbolic link.link is stored inode if its
 * length is less than D_PRIVATE. Otherwise like
 * regular file.
 */
union
{
    char        _s_private[D_PRIVATE];
    struct      regdir_s_symfile;
} _di_sym;

/* offset of symbolic link private data */
#   define di_symlink       _di_info._di_sym._s_private

/*
 *data for mounted filesystem. kept in inode = 0
 *and dev = devt of mounted filesystem in inode table.
 */
struct mountnode
{
    struct inode    *_iplog;        /*itab of log*/
    struct inode    *_ipinode;     /*itab of .inodes*/
    struct inode    *_ipind;       /*itab of .indirect*/
    struct inode    *_ipinomap;    /*itab of inode map*/
    struct inode    *_ipdmap;      /*itab of disk map*/
    struct inode    *_ipsuper;     /*itab of super blk*/
    struct inode    *_ipinodex;    /*itab of .inodex*/
    struct jfsmnt   *_jfsmnt;      /* ptr to mount data*/
    ushort          _fperpage;     /* frag per block */
    ushort          _agsize;       /* frags per ag */
    ushort          _iagsize;      /* inodes per ag */
} _mt_info;

/*
 * data for mounted filesystem. kept in inode = 0
 * and dev = devt of mounted filesystem in inode table.
 */
struct mountnode
{
    struct inode    *_iplog;        /*itab of log*/
    struct inode    *_ipinode;     /*itab of .inodes*/
    struct inode    *_ipind;       /*itab of .indirect*/
    struct inode    *_ipinomap;    /*itab of inode map*/
    struct inode    *_ipdmap;      /*itab of disk map*/
    struct inode    *_ipsuper;     /*itab of super blk*/
    struct inode    *_ipinodex;    /*itab of .inodex*/
    struct jfsmnt   *_jfsmnt;      /* ptr to mount data*/
    ushort          _fperpage;     /* frag per block */
    ushort          _agsize;       /* frags per ag */
    ushort          _iagsize;      /* inodes per ag */
    ushort          _compress      /* > 0 if data comp */
} _mt_info;

/* offsets of MOUNT data */
#   define di_iplog         _di_info._mt_info._iplog
#   define di_ipinode       _di_info._mt_info._ipinode
#   define di_ipind         _di_info._mt_info._ipind
#   define di_ipinomap      _di_info._mt_info._ipinomap
#   define di_ipdmap        _di_info._mt_info._ipdmap
#   define di_ipsuper       _di_info._mt_info._ipsuper
#   define di_ipinodex      _di_info._mt_info._ipinodex
#   define di_jfsmnt        _di_info._mt_info._jfsmnt
#   define di_fperpage      _di_info._mt_info._fperpage
#   define di_agsize        _di_info._mt_info._agsize
#   define di_iagsize       _di_info._mt_info._iagsize

/*
 * log info. kept in inode = 0 and dev = devt of
 * log device filesystem in inode table.
 */
struct lognode
{
    int _logptr          /* page number end of log */
    int _logsize         /* log size in pages */
    int _logend          /* eor in page _logptr */
    int _logsync         /* addr in last syncpt record */
    int _nextsync        /* bytes to next logsyncpt */
    struct gnode *_logdgp; /* pointer to device gnode */
} _di_log;

```

```

/* offsets of MOUNT data */
# define di_iplog      _di_info._mt_info._iplog
# define di_ipinode    _di_info._mt_info._ipinode
# define di_ipind      _di_info._mt_info._ipind
# define di_ipinomap   _di_info._mt_info._ipinomap
# define di_ipdmap     _di_info._mt_info._ipdmap
# define di_ipsuper    _di_info._mt_info._ipsuper
# define di_ipindex    _di_info._mt_info._ipindex
# define di_jfsmnt     _di_info._mt_info._jfsmnt
# define di_fperpage   _di_info._mt_info._fperpage
# define di_agsize     _di_info._mt_info._agsize
# define di_iagsize    _di_info._mt_info._iagsize
# define di_compress   _di_info._mt_info._compress

/*
 * log info. kept in inode = 0 and dev = devt of
 * log device filesystem in inode table.
 */
struct lognode
{
    int _logptr          /* page number end of log */
    int _logsize         /* log size in pages */
    int _logend          /* eor in page _logptr */
    int _logsync         /* addr in last syncpt record */
    int _nextsync        /* bytes to next logsyncpt */
    struct gnode * _logdgp; /* pointer to device gnode */
} _di_log;

/* offsets of LOG data */
# define di_logptr     _di_info._di_log._logptr
# define di_logsize    _di_info._di_log._logsize
# define di_logend     _di_info._di_log._logend
# define di_logsync    _di_info._di_log._logsync
# define di_nextsync   _di_info._di_log._nextsync
# define di_logdgp     _di_info._di_log._logdgp
} _di_info;
};

```

Related reference

[dir File](#)

[filsys.h File](#)

[stat.h File](#)

Related information

[File systems](#)

inttypes.h File

Purpose

Contains fixed size integral types.

Syntax

#include <inttypes.h>

Description

The **inttypes.h** header includes definitions of, at least, the following types:

Item	Description
int8_t	8-bit signed integral type.
int16_t	16-bit signed integral type.
int32_t	32-bit signed integral type.
int64_t	64-bit signed integral type.

Item	Description
uint8_t	8-bit unsigned integral type.
uint16_t	16-bit unsigned integral type.
uint32_t	32-bit unsigned integral type.
uint64_t	64-bit unsigned integral type.
intptr_t	Signed integral type large enough to hold any pointer.
uintptr_t	Unsigned integral type large enough to hold any pointer.

ipc.h File

Purpose

Describes the structures that are used by the subroutines that perform interprocess communications operations.

Syntax

#include <sys/ipc.h>

Description

The **ipc.h** file defines the following symbolic constants, types, and structures:

Symbolic Constants:

IPC_CREAT	create entry if key doesn't exist
IPC_EXCL	fail if key exists
IPC_NOWAIT	error if request must wait
IPC_PRIVATE	private key
IPC_RMID	remove identifier
IPC_SET	set options
IPC_STAT	get options
IPC_ALLO	Entry currently allocated
IPC_R	read or receive permission
IPC_W	write or send permission
IPC_NOERROR	truncates a message if too long
SHM_SIZE	change segment size (shared mem only)

The structure **ipc_perm** contains the following members:

uid_t	uid	owner's user id
gid_t	gid	owner's group id
uid_t	cuid	creator's user id
gid_t	cgid	creator's group id
mode_t	mode	access modes
unsigned short	seq	slot usage sequence number
key_t	key	key

The types **uid_t**, **gid_t**, **mode_t**, and **key_t** are as defined in **<sys/types.h>**.

The following is declared as a function:

```
key_t      ftok(const char *, int);
```

Related reference

[types.h File](#)

Related information

[ftok subroutine](#)

iso646.h File

Purpose

Provides alternate spellings.

Syntax

```
#include <iso646.h>
```

Description

The **iso646.h** header file defines the following eleven macros (on the left) that expand to the corresponding tokens (on the right):

```
and      &&
and_eq   &=
bitand   &
bitor    |
compl    ~
not       !
not_eq   !=
or       ||
or_eq    |=
xor      ^
xor_eq   ^=
```

ldr.h File

Purpose

Describes the **ld_info** and **ld_xinfo** data types, along with associated loader entry points.

Syntax

```
#include <sys/ldr.h>
```

Description

The **/usr/include/sys/ldr.h** header file contains declarations of the **ld_info** and **ld_xinfo** data structures and the system loader entry points available to processes and kernel extensions.

The **ld_info** structure describes a loadable module in the context of either tracing a process (with the **ptrace** system call) or examining a core file. The **ldr.h** file can define 2 variants of the **ld_info** structure, one for describing 32-bit processes (**__ld_info32**) and one for describing 64-bit processes (**__ld_info64**). If the **__LDINFO_PTRACE32__** symbol is defined, so is the **struct __ld_info32** type. If the **__LDINFO_PTRACE64__** symbol is defined, so is the **struct __ld_info64** type. If the compilation mode is 32-bit and the **__LDINFO_PTRACE32__** symbol is defined, the **struct __ld_info32** and **struct ld_info** types are equivalent. If the compilation mode is 64-bit and the **__LDINFO_PTRACE64__** symbol is defined, the **struct __ld_info64** and **struct ld_info** types are equivalent.

When using **ptrace** in a 32-bit program to debug a 64-bit process, define **__LDINFO_PTRACE64__**. When using **ptrace** in a 64-bit program to debug a 32-bit process, define **__LDINFO_PTRACE32__**.

The types and sizes of these structures' fields depend on whether the compilation mode is 32-bit or 64-bit. The same field names are generated in both structure modes, with the exception that the 64-bit structure has an **ldinfo_flags** field.

The **__ld_info32** and **__ld_info64** structures contain the following fields of the indicated sizes and types; when two types are listed, the first is used when the compilation mode is 32-bit and the second is used when the mode is 64-bit:

Field and Description	__ld_info32	__ld_info64
ldinfo_next Offset from current entry of next entry, or zero if last entry.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: 4 • Type: uint 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: 4 • Type: uint
ldinfo_flags Flags.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: N/A • Type: N/A 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: 4 • Type: uint
ldinfo_fd File descriptor returned by ptrace to debugger.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: 4 • Type: int 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: 4 • Type: int
ldinfo_core Offset into core file of object. (Overlays the ldinfo_fd field.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: 4 • Type: int 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: 8 • Type: long long, long
ldinfo_textorg Effective address of the loaded program image, including the XCOFF headers.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: 4 • Type: void *, uint 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: 8 • Type: unsigned long long, void *
ldinfo_textsize Length of loaded program image.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: 4 • Type: int 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: 8 • Type: long long, long
ldinfo_dataorg Effective address of the start of data.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: 4 • Type: void *, uint 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: 8 • Type: unsigned long long, void *
ldinfo_datasize Size of data, including the .bss section.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: 4 • Type: int 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: 8 • Type: long long, long
ldinfo_filename Nul-terminated path name followed by nul-terminated member name; member name is empty if not an archive.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: variable • Type: char[2] 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: variable • Type: char[2]

The **ld_xinfo** structure is similar to the **ld_info** structure, but the **ld_xinfo** structure has additional fields for modules defining thread-local storage. Furthermore, all fields are large enough to describe regions of a 64-bit process, so only a single variant of the **ld_xinfo** structure exists.

The additional fields in the **ld_xinfo** structure are the following:

Field	Description
ldinfo_tdatasize	Size of the .tdata section.
ldinfo_tbsssize	Size of the .tbss section.
ldinfo_tdataorg	Effective address of the initialization template for .tdata .
ldinfo_tdataoff	Offset of the module's thread-local storage in its region.

Field	Description
ldinfo_tls_rnum	Thread-local storage region number.

In addition, the **ldinfo_filename** field has a different interpretation in the **ld_xinfo** structure. The value of this field in the **ld_xinfo** structure is an offset from the beginning of the structure to a null-terminated path name followed by null-terminated member name.

The **ldr.h** header declares the following functions:

```
int      kmod_load(caddr_t path, uint flags, caddr_t libpath, mid_t *kmid);
int      kmod_unload(mid_t kmid, uint flags);
void     (*(kmod_entrypt(mid_t kmid, uint flags)))();
int      ld_info(int __flags, pid_t __pid, void *__buffer, unsigned int __length);
__LOAD_T *load(char *__filenameparm, uint __flags, char *__libpathparm);
int      loadbind(int __lflags, void *__exporter, void *__importer);
int      unload(void *__function);
int      loadquery(int __lflags, void *__buffer, unsigned int __length);
__handler_t *__lazySetErrorHandler( __handler_t *fp );
```

Related information

[load subroutine](#)

[unload subroutine](#)

limits.h File

Purpose

Defines implementation limits identified by IEEE POSIX 1003.

Description

The **limits.h** file contains definitions required by the ANSI X3.159-198x Programming Language C Standard and the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) P1003.1 Portable Operating System Interface for Computer Environments (POSIX) standard.

The constants required by the ANSI C Standard describe the sizes of basic data types, as follows:

Symbol	Value	Explanation
CHAR_BIT	8	Number of bits in a variable of type char
CHAR_MAX	255	Maximum value of a variable of type char
CHAR_MIN	0	Minimum value of a variable of type char
INT_MAX	2,147,483,647	Maximum value of a variable of type int
INT_MIN	-2,147,483,648	Minimum value of a variable of type int
LONG_MAX	2,147,483,647	Maximum value of a variable of type long
LONG_MIN	-2,147,483,648	Maximum value of a variable of type long
SCHAR_MAX	127	Maximum value of a variable of type signed char
SCHAR_MIN	-128	Minimum value of a variable of type signed char
SHRT_MAX	32,767	Maximum value of a variable of type short
SHRT_MIN	-32,768	Maximum value of a variable of type short
UCHAR_MAX	255	Maximum value of a variable of type unsigned char
UINT_MAX	4,294,967,295	Maximum value of a variable of type unsigned int

Symbol	Value	Explanation
ULONG_MAX	4,294,967,295	Maximum value of a variable of type unsigned long
USHRT_MAX	65,535	Maximum value of a variable of type unsigned short

Run-Time Invariant Values

The first set of values required by POSIX, run-time invariant values, are simple constants determined by basic operating system data-structure sizes.

Symbol	Value	Explanation
MAX_INPUT	512	No fewer than the number of bytes specified by the MAX_INPUT symbol are allowed in a terminal input queue.
NGROUPS_MAX	2048	Maximum size of the concurrent group list.
PASS_MAX	255	Maximum number of bytes in a password (not including the null terminator).
PID_MAX	INT_MAX	Maximum value for a processID.
UID_MAX	ULONG_MAX	Maximum value for a user or group ID.

Run-Time Invariant Values (Possibly Indeterminate)

The second set of run-time invariant values required by POSIX specify values that might vary, especially due to system load, but that can be attained on a lightly loaded system.

Symbol	Value	Explanation
ARG_MAX	1048576	Maximum length (in bytes) of arguments for the exec subroutine, including the environment. This is a default value that can be configured to a different size.

Note: The argument list and environment are allowed to consume all of the user data segment.

Symbol	Value	Explanation
CHILD_MAX	40	Maximum number of simultaneous processes per user ID
MAX_CANON	256	Maximum number of bytes in a canonical input line
OPEN_MAX	65534	Maximum number of files that one process can have open at any given time
CHRS_OPEN_MAX	65000	The maximum number of file descriptors to fit in the checkpoint/restart segment.

Path-Name Variable Values

The third set of values required by POSIX, path-name variable values, represent constraints imposed by the file system on file path names. Further constraints on these values might be imposed by the underlying file-system implementation. Use the **pathconf** or **fpathconf** subroutine to determine any file-implementation characteristics specific to the underlying file system.

Symbol	Value	Explanation
NAME_MAX	Undefined	Maximum number of bytes in a file component name (not including the null terminator)
PATH_MAX	512	Maximum number of bytes in a path name (not including the null terminator)

Run-Time Increaseable Values

The fourth set of values required by POSIX specify values that might be increased at run time. Use the **pathconf** or **fpathconf** subroutine to determine any file-implementation characteristics specific to the underlying file system.

Item	Description	
Symbol	Value	Explanation
LINK_MAX	32,767	Maximum value of a file's link count (SHRT_MAX).
PIPE_BUF	32,768	Maximum number of bytes guaranteed to be written automatically to a pipe.

Related reference

[values.h File](#)

[unistd.h File](#)

Related information

[exec subroutine](#)

libperfstat.h File

Purpose

Describes the structures and constants used by the **libperfstat** API subroutines.

Syntax

```
#include <libperfstat.h>
```

Description

The **libperfstat.h** file defines the following symbolic constants, types, and structures:

Item	Description
IDENTIFIER_LENGTH	Length of strings included in the structures.
FIRST_LOGICALVOLUME	Pseudo-name for the first logical volume.
FIRST_VOLUMEGROUP	Pseudo-name for the first volume group.

Item	Description
FIRST_CPU	Pseudo-name for the first logical processor.
FIRST_DISK	Pseudo-name for the first disk.
FIRST_DISKADAPTER	Pseudo-name for the first disk adapter.
FIRST_FCADAPTER	Pseudo-name for the first fiber channel adapter.
FIRST_DISKPATH	Pseudo-name for the first disk path.
FIRST_NETINTERFACE	Pseudo-name for the first network interface.
FIRST_PAGINGSPACE	Pseudo-name for the first paging space.
FIRST_PROTOCOL	Pseudo-name for the first protocol.
FIRST_NETADAPTER	pseudo-name for the first network adapter.
FIRST_NETBUFFER	Pseudo-name for the first network buffer size.
FIRST_PSIZE	Pseudo-name for the first paging size.
FIRST_TAPE	Pseudo-name for the first tape.
FIRST_WPARNAME	Pseudo-name for the first.WPAR
FIRST_WPARIDH	Pseudo-id for the first.WPAR
FIRST_CLUSTERNAME	Pseudo-name for the first cluster.
FIRST_NODENAME	Pseudo-name for the first node in the cluster.
FIRST_HFI	Pseudo-name for the first host fabric interface (HFI).
FIRST_WINDOW	Pseudo-id for the first HFI window.
PAGE_4K	Pseudo-name for 4 kilobyte page size.
PAGE_64K	Pseudo name for 64 kilobyte page size.
PAGE_16M	Pseudo-name for 16 megabyte page size.
PAGE_16G	Pseudo-name for 16 gigabyte page size.
PERFSTAT_ENABLE	Mask for perfstat_config to start the statistics collection.
PERFSTAT_DISABLE	Mask for perfstat_config to disable statistics collection.
PERFSTAT_LV	Mask for perfstat_config to indicate logical volume component.
PERFSTAT_CLUSTER_STATS	Mask for perfstat_config to indicate cluster statistics.
PERFSTAT_HFISTATS	Mask for perfstat_config to indicate HFI statistics.
PERFSTAT_SIZE	Size of the adapter name.
FLUSH_CPUTOTAL	Mask for <code>perfstat_partial_reset</code> to flush cached fields for <code>perfstat_cpu_total_t</code> .
FLUSH_DISK	Mask for <code>perfstat_partial_reset</code> to flush cached fields for <code>perfstat_disk_t</code> .
RESET_DISK_MIN_MAX	Mask for <code>perfstat_partial_reset</code> to reset minimum and maximum service and wait time statistics of the disk.
FLUSH_DISKADAPTER	Mask for <code>perfstat_partial_reset</code> to flush cached fields for <code>perfstat_diskadapter_t</code> .
FLUSH_DISKPATH	Mask for <code>perfstat_partial_reset</code> to flush cached fields for <code>perfstat_diskpath_t</code> .

Item	Description
FLUSH_PAGINGSPEACE	Mask for <code>perfstat_partial_reset</code> to flush cached fields for <code>perfstat_pagingspace_t</code> .
FLUSH_NETINTERFACE	Mask for <code>perfstat_partial_reset</code> to flush cached fields for <code>perfstat_netinterface_t</code> .
FLUSH_LOGICALVOLUME	Mask for <code>perfstat_partial_reset</code> to flush cached fields for <code>perfstat_logicalvolume_t</code> .
FLUSH_VOLUMEGROUP	Mask for <code>perfstat_partial_reset</code> to flush cached fields for <code>perfstat_volume_group_t</code> .

The **`perfstat_id_t`** structure contains the following members:

Item	Description
<code>char name [IDENTIFIER_LENGTH]</code>	Name of the identifier.

The **`perfstat_id_wpar_t`** structure contains the following members:

Item	Description
<code>wparid_specifier spec</code>	Specifies the input type. It can be <code>WPARNAME</code> , <code>WPARID</code> , or <code>RSETHANDLE</code> .
<code>union u</code>	Specifies the WPAR identifier. The <code>union u</code> variable contains the following members: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <code>cid_t wpar_id</code>: WPAR ID • <code>rsethandle_t rset</code>: resource set handle • <code>char wparname[MAXCORRALNAMELEN+1]</code>: name of the WPAR
<code>char name [IDENTIFIER_LENGTH]</code>	Specifies the component identifier.

The **`perfstat_id_node_t`** structure contains the following members:

Item	Description
<code>nodeid_specifier spec</code>	Specifies the input type. It must be <code>NODENAME</code> for <code>perfstat_subsystem_node()</code> interfaces. It must be <code>CLUSTERNAME</code> for <code>perfstat_cluster_total()</code> and <code>perfstat_node_list()</code> interfaces.
<code>union u</code>	Specifies the WPAR identifier. The <code>union u</code> variable contains the following members: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <code>char nodename[MAXHOSTNAMELEN]</code>: name of the node/cluster.
<code>char name [IDENTIFIER_LENGTH]</code>	Specifies the component identifier.

The **`perfstat_id_window_t`** structure contains the following members:

Item	Description
<code>char name[IDENTIFIER_LENGTH]</code>	Specifies the HFI identifier (<code>FIRST_HFI</code> , <code>hfi0</code> or <code>hfi1</code> , and so on).
<code>u_longlong_t windowid</code>	Specifies the HFI window ID (0,1, 2, 3, and so on).

The **`perfstat_psize_t`** structure contains the following members:

Item	Description
psize_t psize	Specifies the page size.

Some members of the following structures are retrieved only once and stored in a memory cache by the library. A call to the perfstat_reset structure or the perfstat_partial_reset structure will flush those members. When possible, it is preferable to use the perfstat_partial_reset structure instead of the perfstat_reset structure.

The **perfstat_cpu_t** structure contains the following members:

Item	Description
char name [IDENTIFIER_LENGTH]	Logical processor name (processor0, processor1,...).
State	Specifies whether the CPU is offline or online.
u_longlong_t user	Raw number of clock ticks spent in user mode.
u_longlong_t sys	Raw number of clock ticks spent in system mode.
u_longlong_t idle	Raw number of clock ticks spent idle.
u_longlong_t wait	Raw number of clock ticks spent waiting for I/O.
_longlong_t pswitch	Number of context switches (changes of currently running process).
u_longlong_t syscall	Number of system calls executed.
u_longlong_t sysread	Number of read system calls executed.
u_longlong_t syswrite	Number of write system calls executed.
u_longlong_t sysfork	Number of fork system call executed.
u_longlong_t sysexec	Number of exec system call executed.
u_longlong_t readch	Number of characters transferred with read system call.
u_longlong_t writetech	Number of characters transferred with write system call.
u_longlong_t bread	Number of block reads.
u_longlong_t bwrite	Number of block writes.
u_longlong_t lread	Number of logical read requests.
u_longlong_t lwrite	Number of logical write requests.
u_longlong_t phread	Number of physical reads (reads on raw device).
u_longlong_t phwrite	Number of physical writes (writes on raw device).
u_longlong_t iget	Number of inode lookups.
u_longlong_t namei	Number of vnode lookup from a path name.
u_longlong_t dirblk	Number of 512-byte blocks reads by the directory search routine to locate an entry for a file.
u_longlong_t msg	Number of interprocess communication (IPC) message operations.
u_longlong_t sema	Number of IPC semaphore operations.
u_longlong_t minfaults	Number of page faults with no I/O.
u_longlong_t majfaults	Number of page faults with disk I/O.
u_longlong_t puser	Raw number of physical processor ticks in user mode.
u_longlong_t psys	Raw number of physical processor ticks in system mode.

Item	Description
u_longlong_t pidle	Raw number of physical processor ticks idle.
u_longlong_t pwait	Raw number of physical processor ticks waiting for I/O.
u_longlong_t redisp_sd0	Number of thread redispatches within the scheduler affinity domain 0.
u_longlong_t redisp_sd1	Number of thread redispatches within the scheduler affinity domain 1.
u_longlong_t redisp_sd2	Number of thread redispatches within the scheduler affinity domain 2.
u_longlong_t redisp_sd3	Number of thread redispatches within the scheduler affinity domain 3.
u_longlong_t redisp_sd4	Number of thread redispatches within the scheduler affinity domain 4.
u_longlong_t redisp_sd5	Number of thread redispatches within the scheduler affinity domain 5.
u_longlong_t migration_push	Number of thread migrations from the local runque to another queue due to starvation load balancing.
u_longlong_t migration_S3grq	Number of thread migrations from the global runque to the local runque resulting in a move across scheduling domain 3.
u_longlong_t migration_S3pull	Number of thread migrations from another processor's runque resulting in a move across scheduling domain 3.
u_longlong_t invol_cswitch	Number of involuntary thread context switches.
u_longlong_t vol_cswitch	Number of voluntary thread context switches.
u_longlong_t runque	Number of threads on the runque.
u_longlong_t bound	Number of bound threads.
u_longlong_t decrintrs	Number of decremter interrupts.
u_longlong_t mpcrintrs	Number of received interrupts for MPC.
u_longlong_t mpcsintrs	Number of sent interrupts for MPC.
u_longlong_t devintrs	Number of device interrupts.
u_longlong_t softintrs	Number of offlevel handlers called.
u_longlong_t phantintrs	Number of phantom interrupts.
u_longlong_t idle_donated_purr	Number of idle cycles donated by a dedicated partition enabled for donation.
u_longlong_t idle_donated_spurr	Number of idle spurr cycles donated by a dedicated partition enabled for donation.
u_longlong_t busy_donated_purr	Number of busy cycles donated by a dedicated partition enabled for donation.
u_longlong_t busy_donated_spurr	Number of busy spurr cycles donated by a dedicated partition enabled for donation.
u_longlong_t idle_stolen_purr	Number of idle cycles stolen by the hypervisor from a dedicated partition.
u_longlong_t idle_stolen_spurr	Number of idle spurr cycles stolen by the hypervisor from a dedicated partition.

Item	Description
<code>u_longlong_t busy_stolen_purr</code>	Number of busy cycles stolen by the hypervisor from a dedicated partition.
<code>u_longlong_t busy_stolen_spurr</code>	Number of busy spurr cycles stolen by the hypervisor from a dedicated partition.
<code>u_longlong_t shcpus_in_sys</code>	Number of physical processors allocated for shared processor use, across all shared processors pools.
<code>u_longlong_t entitled_pool_capacity</code>	Entitled processor capacity of partition's pool
<code>u_longlong_t pool_max_time</code>	Summation of maximum time that can be consumed by the pool (nanoseconds)
<code>u_longlong_t pool_busy_time</code>	Summation of busy (nonidle) time accumulated across all partitions in the pool (nanoseconds)
<code>u_longlong_t pool_scaled_busy_time</code>	Scaled summation of busy (nonidle) time accumulated across all partitions in the pool (nanoseconds)
<code>u_longlong_t shcpu_tot_time</code>	Summation of total time across all physical processors allocated for shared processor use (nanoseconds)
<code>u_longlong_t shcpu_busy_time</code>	Summation of busy (nonidle) time accumulated across all shared processor partitions (nanoseconds)
<code>u_longlong_t shcpu_scaled_busy_time</code>	Scaled summation of busy time accumulated across all shared processor partitions (nanoseconds)
<code>int ams_pool_id</code>	AMS pool ID of the pool the LPAR belongs to
<code>int var_mem_weight</code>	Variable memory capacity weight
<code>u_longlong_t iome</code>	I/O memory entitlement of the partition in bytes
<code>u_longlong_t pmem</code>	Physical memory currently backing the partition's logical memory in bytes
<code>u_longlong_t hpi</code>	Number of hypervisor page-ins
<code>u_longlong_t hpit</code>	Time spent in hypervisor page-ins (in nanoseconds)
<code>u_longlong_t hypv_pagesize</code>	Hypervisor page size in KB
<code>uint online_lcpus</code>	Number of online logical processors
<code>uint smt_thrds</code>	Number of SMT threads

The **`perfstat_cpu_total_wpar_t`** structure contains the following members:

Item	Description
<code>int ncpus</code>	Number of active logical processors in Global environment.
<code>char description[IDENTIFIER_LENGTH]</code>	Processor description (type or official name).
<code>u_longlong_t processorHZ</code>	Processor speed, in Hz.
<code>u_longlong_t pswitch</code>	Number of process switches (change in running process).
<code>u_longlong_t sysfork</code>	Number of forks system calls that are run.
<code>u_longlong_t loadavg[3]</code>	(1<< SBITS) times the average number of runnable processes during the last 1, 5, and 15 minutes. To calculate the load average, divide the numbers by (1<< SBITS). SBITS is defined in the <sys/proc.h> file.

Item	Description
<code>u_longlong_t runque</code>	Length of the run queue (processes ready).
<code>u_longlong_t swpque</code>	Length of the swap queue (processes waiting to be paged in).
<code>u_longlong_t runocc</code>	Updated whenever a runque is updated or occupied. This structure can be used to compute the simple average of ready processes.
<code>u_longlong_t swpocc</code>	Updated whenever a swpque is updated or occupied. This structure can be used to compute the simple average processes waiting to be paged in.
<code>u_longlong_t puser</code>	Raw number of physical processor ticks in user mode.
<code>u_longlong_t psys</code>	Raw number of physical processor ticks in system mode.
<code>u_longlong_t pidle</code>	Raw number of physical processor ticks idle.
<code>u_longlong_t pwait</code>	Raw number of physical processor ticks waiting for I/O.
<code>int ncpus_cfg</code>	Number of configured processors in the system.
<code>u_longlong_t syscall</code>	Number of system calls that are run.
<code>u_longlong_t sysread</code>	Number of read system calls that are run.
<code>u_longlong_t syswrite</code>	Number of write system calls that are run.
<code>u_longlong_t sysexec</code>	Number of execs system calls that are run.
<code>u_longlong_t readch</code>	Number of characters transferred with read system call.
<code>u_longlong_t writetech</code>	Number of characters transferred with write system call.
<code>u_longlong_t devintrs</code>	Number of device interrupts.
<code>u_longlong_t softintrs</code>	Number of software interrupts.
<code>u_longlong_t bread</code>	Number of blocks read.
<code>u_longlong_t bwrite</code>	Number of blocks written.
<code>u_longlong_t lread</code>	Number of logical read requests.
<code>u_longlong_t lwrite</code>	Number of logical write requests.
<code>u_longlong_t phread</code>	Number of physical reads (reads on raw devices).
<code>u_longlong_t phwrite</code>	Number of physical writes (writes on raw devices).
<code>u_longlong_t iget</code>	Number of inode lookups.
<code>u_longlong_t namei</code>	Number of vnode lookup from a path name.
<code>u_longlong_t dirblk</code>	Number of 512-byte blocks read by the directory search routine to locate an entry for a file.
<code>u_longlong_t msg</code>	Number of IPC message operations.
<code>u_longlong_t sema</code>	Number of IPC semaphore operations.
<code>u_longlong_t ksched</code>	Number of kernel processes created.
<code>u_longlong_t koverf</code>	Kernel process creation attempts when the configuration limit of processes has been reached or the user has forked to the maximum limit.
<code>u_longlong_t kexit</code>	Number of kernel processes that became zombie processes.

The **perfstat_cpu_total_t** structure contains the following members:

Item	Description
int ncpus	Number of active logical processors.
int ncpus_cfg	Number of configured processors.
char description [IDENTIFIER_LENGTH]	Processor description (type/official name).
u_longlong_t processorHZ	Processor speed in Hz.
u_longlong_t user	Raw total number of clock ticks spent in user mode.
u_longlong_t sys	Raw total number of clock ticks spent in system mode.
u_longlong_t idle	Raw total number of clock ticks spent idle.
u_longlong_t wait	Raw total number of clock ticks spent waiting for I/O.
u_longlong_t pswitch	Number of process switches (change in currently running process).
u_longlong_t syscall	Number of system calls executed.
u_longlong_t sysread	Number of read system calls executed.
u_longlong_t syswrite	Number of write system calls executed.
u_longlong_t sysfork	Number of forks system calls executed.
u_longlong_t sysexec	Number of execs system calls executed.
u_longlong_t readch	Number of characters transferred with read system call.
u_longlong_t writetech	Number of characters transferred with write system call.
u_longlong_t devintrs	Number of device interrupts.
u_longlong_t softintrs	Number of software interrupts.
ime_t lbolt	Number of ticks since last reboot.
u_longlong_t loadavg[3]	(1<< SBITS) times the average number of runnable processes during the last 1, 5 and 15 minutes. To calculate the load average, divide the numbers by (1<< SBITS). SBITS is defined in the <sys/proc.h> file.
u_longlong_t runque	Length of the run queue (processes ready).
u_longlong_t swpque	Length of the swap queue (processes waiting to be paged in).
u_longlong_t bread	Number of blocks read.
u_longlong_t bwrite	Number of blocks written.
u_longlong_t lread	Number of logical read requests.
u_longlong_t lwrite	Number of logical write requests.
u_longlong_t phread	Number of physical reads (reads on raw devices).
u_longlong_t phwrite	Number of physical writes (writes on raw devices).
u_longlong_t runocc	Updated whenever runque is updated. For example, when the run queue is occupied. This can be used to compute the simple average of ready processes.
u_longlong_t swpocc	Updated whenever swpque is updated. For example, when the swpqueue is occupied. This can be used to compute the simple average processes waiting to be paged in.
u_longlong_t iget	Number of inode lookups.

Item	Description
<code>u_longlong_t namei</code>	Number of vnode lookup from a path name.
<code>u_longlong_t dirblk</code>	Number of 512-byte blocks reads by the directory search routine to locate an entry for a file.
<code>u_longlong_t msg</code>	Number of IPC message operations.
<code>u_longlong_t sema</code>	Number of IPC semaphore operations.
<code>u_longlong_t rcvint</code>	Number of tty receive interrupts.
<code>u_longlong_t xmtint</code>	Number of tty transmit interrupts.
<code>u_longlong_t mdmint</code>	Number of modem interrupts.
<code>u_longlong_t tty_rawinch</code>	Number of raw input characters.
<code>u_longlong_t tty_caninch</code>	Number of canonical input characters (always zero).
<code>u_longlong_t tty_rawoutch</code>	Number of raw output characters.
<code>u_longlong_t ksched</code>	Number of kernel processes created.
<code>u_longlong_t koverf</code>	Number of kernel process creation attempts where: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the user has forked to their maximum limit • the configuration limit of processes has been reached
<code>u_longlong_t kexit</code>	Number of kernel processes that became zombies.
<code>u_longlong_t rbread</code>	Number of remote read requests.
<code>u_longlong_t rbread</code>	Number of remote read requests.
<code>u_longlong_t rbwrt</code>	Number of remote writes.
<code>u_longlong_t rcwrt</code>	Number of cached remote writes.
<code>u_longlong_t traps</code>	Number of traps.
<code>int ncpus_high</code>	Index of highest processor online.
<code>u_longlong_t puser</code>	Raw number of physical processor ticks in user mode.
<code>u_longlong_t psys raw</code>	Number of physical processor ticks in system mode.
<code>u_longlong_t pidle raw</code>	Number of physical processor ticks idle.
<code>u_longlong_t pwait raw</code>	Number of physical processor ticks waiting for I/O.
<code>u_longlong_t decrintrs</code>	Number of decremter interrupts.
<code>u_longlong_t mpcrintrs</code>	Number of received interrupts for MPC.
<code>u_longlong_t mpcsintrs</code>	Number of sent interrupts for MPC.
<code>u_longlong_t phantintrs</code>	Number of phantom interrupts.
<code>u_longlong_t idle_donated_purr</code>	Number of idle cycles donated by a dedicated partition enabled for donation.
<code>u_longlong_t idle_donated_spurr</code>	Number of idle spurr cycles donated by a dedicated partition enabled for donation.
<code>u_longlong_t busy_donated_purr</code>	Number of busy cycles donated by a dedicated partition enabled for donation.
<code>u_longlong_t busy_donated_spurr</code>	Number of busy spurr cycles donated by a dedicated partition enabled for donation.

Item	Description
<code>u_longlong_t idle_stolen_purr</code>	Number of idle cycles stolen by the hypervisor from a dedicated partition.
<code>u_longlong_t idle_stolen_spurr</code>	Number of idle spurr cycles stolen by the hypervisor from a dedicated partition.
<code>u_longlong_t busy_stolen_purr</code>	Number of busy cycles stolen by the hypervisor from a dedicated partition.
<code>u_longlong_t busy_stolen_spurr</code>	Number of busy spurr cycles stolen by the hypervisor from a dedicated partition.
<code>short iowait</code>	Number of processes that are asleep waiting for buffered I/O.
<code>short physio</code>	Number of processes waiting for raw I/O.
<code>longlong_t twait</code>	Number of threads that are waiting for file system direct (cio).
<code>u_longlong_t hpi</code>	Number of hypervisor page-ins.
<code>u_longlong_t hpit</code>	Time spent in hypervisor page-ins (in nanoseconds).

The description and speed members of the `perfstat_cpu_total_t` structure are stored in the information cache. They can be flushed by making one of the following calls:

- `perfstat_reset()`
- `perfstat_partial_reset(NULL, FLUSH_CPOTOTAL)`

The `perfstat_rawdata_t` structure contains the following members:

Item	Description
<code>int type</code>	Holds one of the following defined values: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <code>#define UTIL_CPU_TOTAL 10</code> • <code>#define UTIL_CPU 11</code> • <code>#define UTIL_PROCESS 12</code> • <code>#define SHARED_POOL_UTIL 13</code>
<code>perfstat_id_t name</code>	Name element.
<code>void *curstat</code>	Pointer to the data buffer.
<code>void *prevstat</code>	Pointer to the data buffer.
<code>int sizeof_data</code>	Size of the stat buffer.
<code>int cur_elems</code>	Number of current elements.
<code>int prev_elems</code>	Number of previous elements.

The `perfstat_partition_total_t` structure contains the following members:

Item	Description
<code>char name[IDENTIFIER_LENGTH]</code>	Name [IDENTIFIER_LENGTH].
<code>perfstat_partition_type_t type</code>	Set of bits describing partition type.
<code>int lpar_id</code>	Logical partition identifier.
<code>int group_id</code>	Identifier of the LPAR group this partition is a member of.

Item	Description
<code>int pool_id</code>	Identifier of the shared pool of physical processors this partition is a member of.
<code>int online_cpus</code>	Number of virtual processors currently online on the partition.
<code>int max_cpus</code>	Maximum number of virtual processors this partition can ever have.
<code>int min_cpus</code>	Minimum number of virtual processors this partition must have.
<code>purrr_counter</code>	Number of purrr cycles spent in user and kernel mode.
<code>real_free</code>	Free real memory (in 4 KB pages).
<code>real_avail</code>	Number of pages (in 4 KB pages) of memory available without paging out working segments.
<code>spurr_counter</code>	Number of spurr cycles spent in user and kernel mode.
<code>u_longlong_t online_memory</code>	Amount of memory currently online.
<code>u_longlong_t max_memory</code>	Maximum amount of memory this partition can ever have.
<code>u_longlong_t min_memory</code>	Minimum amount of memory this partition must have.
<code>int entitled_proc_capacity</code>	Number of processor units this partition is entitled to receive.
<code>int max_proc_capacity</code>	Maximum number of processor units this partition can ever have.
<code>int min_proc_capacity</code>	Minimum number of processor units this partition must have.
<code>int proc_capacity_increment</code>	Increment value to the entitled capacity.
<code>int unalloc_proc_capacity</code>	Unallocated processor units in the shared processor pool to which this partition belongs.
<code>int var_proc_capacity_weight</code>	Unallocated variable processor capacity weight units in the shared processor pool to which this partition belongs.
<code>int unalloc_var_proc_capacity_weight</code>	Number of variable processor capacity weight units currently unallocated in the shared processor pool this partition belongs to.
<code>int online_phys_cpus_sys</code>	Number of physical processors currently active in the system containing this partition.
<code>int max_phys_cpus_sys</code>	Maximum number of physical processors in the system containing this partition.
<code>int phys_cpus_pool</code>	Available physical processors in the shared processor pool to which this partition belongs.
<code>u_longlong_t puser</code>	Raw number of physical processor ticks in user mode.
<code>u_longlong_t psys</code>	Raw number of physical processor ticks in system mode.
<code>u_longlong_t pidle</code>	Raw number of physical processor ticks idle.
<code>u_longlong_t pwait</code>	Raw number of physical processor ticks waiting for I/O.
<code>u_longlong_t pool_idle_time</code>	The summation of idle time (in nanoseconds) accumulated across all partitions in the shared processor pool to which this partition belongs.

Item	Description
<code>u_longlong_t phantintrs</code>	Number of phantom interrupts.
<code>u_longlong_t invol_virt_cswitch</code>	Number involuntary virtual processor context switches.
<code>u_longlong_t vol_virt_cswitch</code>	Number voluntary virtual processor context switches.
<code>u_longlong_t timebase_last</code>	Most recent processor time base timestamp.
<code>u_longlong_t reserved_pages</code>	Number of 16 GB pages; cannot participate in DR operations.
<code>u_longlong_t reserved_pagesize</code>	16 GB pagesize; cannot participate in DR operations.
<code>u_longlong_t idle_donated_purr</code>	Number of idle cycles donated by a dedicated partition enabled for donation.
<code>u_longlong_t idle_donated_spurr</code>	Number of idle spurr cycles donated by a dedicated partition enabled for donation.
<code>u_longlong_t busy_donated_purr</code>	Number of busy cycles donated by a dedicated partition enabled for donation.
<code>u_longlong_t busy_donated_spurr</code>	Number of busy spurr cycles donated by a dedicated partition enabled for donation.
<code>u_longlong_t idle_stolen_purr</code>	Number of idle cycles stolen by the hypervisor from a dedicated partition.
<code>u_longlong_t idle_stolen_spurr</code>	Number of idle spurr cycles stolen by the hypervisor from a dedicated partition.
<code>u_longlong_t busy_stolen_purr</code>	Number of busy cycles stolen by the hypervisor from a dedicated partition.
<code>u_longlong_t busy_stolen_spurr</code>	Number of busy spurr cycles stolen by the hypervisor from a dedicated partition.
<code>u_longlong_t shcpus_in_sys</code>	Number of physical processors allocated for shared processor use, across all shared processors pools.
<code>u_longlong_t max_pool_capacity</code>	Maximum processor capacity of shared processor pool to which this partition belongs
<code>u_longlong_t entitled_pool_capacity</code>	Entitled processor capacity of shared processor pool to which this partition belongs.
<code>u_longlong_t pool_max_time</code>	The summation of maximum time (in nanoseconds) that might be used by the shared processor pool to which this partition belongs.
<code>u_longlong_t pool_busy_time</code>	The summation of busy (nonidle) time (in nanoseconds) accumulated across all partitions in the shared processor pool to which this partition belongs.
<code>u_longlong_t pool_scaled_busy_time</code>	The summation of busy (nonidle) time in (nanoseconds) accumulated across all partitions in the shared processor pool to which this partition belongs. The time is against rated or nominal frequency.
<code>u_longlong_t shcpu_tot_time</code>	The summation of total time (in nanoseconds) across all physical processors that are allocated to the shared processor pool (where the Pool ID equals 0) use across all shared processor pools.

Item	Description
<code>u_longlong_t shcpu_busy_time</code>	The summation of busy (nonidle) time (in nanoseconds) accumulated across all physical processors for shared processor pool (where the Pool ID equals 0) use across all shared processor pools.
<code>u_longlong_t shcpu_scaled_busy_time</code>	The summation of scaled busy (nonidle) time (in nanoseconds) accumulated across all partitions in the shared processor pool to which this partition belongs. The time is against rated or nominal frequency.
<code>int ams_pool_id</code>	AMS pool ID of the pool the LPAR belongs to.
<code>int var_mem_weight</code>	Variable memory capacity weight.
<code>u_longlong_t iome</code>	I/O memory entitlement of the partition in bytes.
<code>u_longlong_t pmem</code>	Physical memory currently backing the partition's logical memory in bytes.
<code>u_longlong_t hpi</code>	Number of hypervisor page-ins.
<code>u_longlong_t hpit</code>	Time spent in hypervisor page-ins (in nanoseconds).
<code>u_longlong_t hypv_pagesize</code>	Hypervisor page size in KB.
<code>uint online_lcpus</code>	Number of online logical processors.
<code>uint smt_thrds</code>	Number of SMT threads.
<code>uint power_save_mode</code>	Power save mode for the LPAR.
<code>ushort ame_version</code>	AME version.
<code>u_longlong_t true_memory</code>	True memory size in 4 KB pages.
<code>u_longlong_t expanded_memory</code>	Expanded memory size in 4 KB pages.
<code>u_longlong_t target_memexp_factor</code>	Target memory expansion factor scaled by 100.
<code>u_longlong_t current_memexp_factor</code>	Current memory expansion factor scaled by 100.
<code>u_longlong_t target_cpool_size</code>	Target compressed pool size in bytes.
<code>u_longlong_t max_cpool_size</code>	Maximum size of compressed pool in bytes.
<code>u_longlong_t min_ucpool_size</code>	Minimum size of uncompressed pool in bytes.
<code>u_longlong_t ame_deficit_size</code>	Deficit memory size in bytes.
<code>u_longlong_t MemPoolSize</code>	The memory pool size of the pool to which the partition belongs in bytes.
<code>u_longlong_t IOMemEntInUse</code>	The I/O memory entitlement of the LPAR that is in use (in bytes).
<code>u_longlong_t IOMemEntFree</code>	Free I/O memory entitlement (in bytes).
<code>u_longlong_t IOHighWaterMark</code>	The high watermark of the I/O memory entitlement usage (in bytes).

Note: The fields `IOMemEntInUse`, `IOMemEntFree`, and `IOHighWaterMark` fields displays the actual values if the system is AMS enabled. Otherwise, it displays a 0. If AMS is enabled and displays a value of 0, it indicates the actual values. The **amepat** command can be used to know whether the system is AMS enabled.

The `perfstat_partition_type_t` structure contains the following members:

Item	Description
unsigned:1 smt_capable	OS supports SMT mode.
unsigned:1 smt_enabled	SMT mode is on.
unsigned:1 lpar_capable	OS supports logical partitioning.
unsigned:1 lpar_enabled	Logical partitioning is on.
unsigned:1 shared_capable	OS supports shared processor LPAR.
unsigned:1 shared_enabled	Partition runs in shared mode.
unsigned:1 dlpar_capable	OS supports dynamic LPAR.
unsigned:1 capped	Partition is capped.
unsigned:1 kernel_is_64	Kernel is 64 bits.
unsigned:1 pool_util_authority	Pool utilization data is available.
unsigned:1 donate_capable	Partition capable of donating cycles.
unsigned:1 donate_enabled	Partition enabled for donating cycles.
unsigned:1 power_save_mode	Partition enabled for power savings.
unsigned:1 ame_enabled	Partition enabled for AME

The perfstat_value_t structure contains the following members:

Item	Description
u_longlong_t online	Online statistics.
u_longlong_t max	Maximum statistics.
u_longlong_t min	Minimum statistics.
u_longlong_t desired	Desired statistics.

The perfstat_partition_config_t structure contains the following members:

Item	Description
u_longlong_t version	Version number of data structure.
char partitionname[64]	Partition name.
char nodename[64]	Node name.
perfstat_partition_type_t conf	Partition properties.
uint partitionnum	Partition number.
uint groupid	Group ID.
char processorFamily[64]	Processor type.
char processorModel[64]	Processor model.
char machineID[64]	Machine ID.
double processorMHz	Processor clock speed in MHz
perfstat_value_t numProcessors	Number of configured physical processors in frame.
char OSName[64]	Name of operating system.
char OSVersion[64]	Version of operating system.
char OSBuild[64]	Build of operating system.

Item	Description
uint lcpus	Number of logical CPUs.
uint smtthreads	Number of SMT threads.
uint drives	Total number of drives.
uint nw_adapters	Total number of network adapters.
perfstat_value_t cpucap	Min, max, and online CPU capacity.
uint cpucap_weightage	Variable processor capacity weightage.
int entitled_proc_capacity	Number of processor units this partition is entitled to receive.
perfstat_value_t vcpus	Min, max, and online virtual CPUs.
uint processor_poolid	Shared pool ID of physical processors, to which this partition belongs.
uint activecpusinpool	Count of physical CPUs in the shared processor pool, to which this partition belongs.
uint cpupool_weightage	Pool weightage.
uint sharedpcpu	Number of physical processors allocated for shared processor use.
uint maxpoolcap	Maximum processor capacity of partition's pool.
uint entpoolcap	Entitled processor capacity of partition's pool.
perfstat_value_t mem	Min, max, and online memory.
uint mem_weightage	Variable memory capacity weightage.
u_longlong_t totiomement	I/O memory entitlement of the partition in bytes.
int mempoolid	AMS pool ID of the pool the LPAR belongs to.
u_longlong_t hyperpgsize	Hypervisor page size in KB.
perfstat_value_t exp_mem	Min, max, and online expanded memory.
u_longlong_t targetmemexpfactor	Target memory expansion factor scaled by 100.
u_longlong_t targetmemexpsize	Expanded memory size in MB.
uint subprocessormode	Sub processor mode for the partition.

The **perfstat_wpar_total_t** structure contains the following members:

Item	Description
char name[MAXCORRALNAMELEN+1]	Name of the workload partition
perfstat_wpar_type_t type	Set of bits describing the WPAR
cid_t wpar_id	workload partition identifier.
uint online_cpus	Number of virtual processors in partition resource set (reset) or number of virtual processors that are online in the Global partition.
int cpu_limit	Processor limit. This value is represented in percentage multiplied by 100. For example, if the limit is 50%, the value is 5000.

Item	Description
int mem_limit	Memory limit. This value is represented in percentage multiplied by 100. For example, if the limit is 50%, the value is 5000.
u_longlong_t online_memory	Amount of memory that is online in the Global partition.
int entitled_proc_capacity	Number of processor units that the partition is entitled to receive.

The **perfstat_wpar_type_t** structure contains the following members:

Item	Description
uint	w
struct	b

The **b** structure contains the following members:

Item	Description
unsigned:1 app_wpar	WPAR application.
unsigned:1 cpu_rset	WPAR restricted to processor resource set.
unsigned:1 cpu_xrset	WPAR restricted to processor exclusive resource set.
unsigned:1 cpu_limits	Processor resource limits enforced.
unsigned:1 mem_limits	Memory resource limits enforced.
unsigned:1 spare	Reserved for future usage.

The **perfstat_disk_t** structure contains the following members:

Item	Description
char name[IDENTIFIER_LENGTH]	Name of the disk.
char description[IDENTIFIER_LENGTH]	Disk description (from ODM).
char vgroupname[IDENTIFIER_LENGTH]	Volume group name (from ODM).
u_longlong_t size	Size of the disk (in MB).
u_longlong_t free	Free portion of the disk (in MB).
u_longlong_t bsize	Disk block size (in bytes).
u_longlong_t __rxfers	Number of transfers from disk.
u_longlong_t xfers	Number of transfers to/from disk.
u_longlong_t wblks	Number of blocks written to disk.
u_longlong_t rblks	Number of blocks read from disk.
u_longlong_t time	Amount of time (in clock ticks) disk is active.
char adapter[IDENTIFIER_LENGTH]	Disk adapter name.
uint paths_count	Number of paths defined to the disk.
u_longlong_t qdepth	Instantaneous "service" queue depth (number of requests sent to disk and not completed yet).
u_longlong_t q_full	"Service" queue full occurrence count (number of times the disk is not accepting any more request).

Item	Description
u_longlong_t q_sampled	Accumulated sampled "service" queue depth.
u_longlong_t rserv	Read service time.
u_longlong_t rtimeout	Number of read request timeout.
u_longlong_t rfailed	Number of failed read requests.
u_longlong_t min_rserv	Minimum read service time.
u_longlong_t max_rserv	Maximum read service time.
u_longlong_t wserv	Write service time.
u_longlong_t wtimeout	Number of write request timeout.
u_longlong_t wfailed	Number of failed write requests.
u_longlong_t min_wserv	Minimum write service time.
u_longlong_t max_wserv	Maximum write service time.
u_longlong_t wq_depth	Instantaneous wait queue depth (number of requests waiting to be sent to disk).
u_longlong_t wq_sampled	Accumulated sampled wq_depth .
u_longlong_t wq_time	Accumulated wait queuing time.
u_longlong_t wq_min_time	Minimum wait queuing time.
u_longlong_t wq_max_time	Maximum wait queuing time.
cid_t wpar_id	WPAR identifier.

The size, free, vname, adapter, and description members of the `perfstat_disk_t` structure are stored in the information cache. They can be flushed by making one of the following calls:

- `perfstat_reset()`
- `perfstat_partial_reset(NULL, FLUSH_DISK)`
- `perfstat_partial_reset("disk name", FLUSH_DISK)`
- `perfstat_partial_reset(NULL, FLUSH_DISKADAPTER)`
- `perfstat_partial_reset("adapter name of this disk", FLUSH_DISKADAPTER)`

The **`perfstat_disk_total_t`** structure contains the following members:

Item	Description
int number	Total number of disks.
u_longlong_t size	Total size of all disks (in MB).
u_longlong_t free	Free portion of all disks (in MB).
u_longlong_t __rxfers	Total number of transfers from disk.
u_longlong_t xfers	Total number of transfers to/from disk.
u_longlong_t wblks	512 bytes blocks written to all disks.
u_longlong_t rblks	512 bytes blocks read from all disks.
u_longlong_t time	Amount of time (in clock ticks) disks are active.
cid_t wpar_id	WPAR identifier.
u_longlong_t rserv;	Average read or receive service time.
u_longlong_t min_rserv	Min read or receive service time.

Item	Description
<code>u_longlong_t max_rserv</code>	Max read or receive service time.
<code>u_longlong_t rtimeout</code>	Number of read request timeouts.
<code>u_longlong_t rfailed</code>	Number of failed read requests.
<code>u_longlong_t wserv</code>	Average write or send service time.
<code>u_longlong_t min_wserv</code>	Min write or send service time.
<code>u_longlong_t max_wserv</code>	Max write or send service time.
<code>u_longlong_t wtimeout</code>	Number of write request timeouts.
<code>u_longlong_t wfailed</code>	Number of failed write requests.
<code>u_longlong_t wq_depth</code>	Instantaneous wait queue depth (number of requests waiting to be sent to disk).
<code>u_longlong_t wq_time</code>	Accumulated wait queueing time.
<code>u_longlong_t wq_min_time</code>	Min wait queueing time.
<code>u_longlong_t wq_max_time</code>	Max wait queueing time.

The size and free members of the `perfstat_disk_total_t` structure are stored in the information cache. They can be flushed by making one of the following calls:

- `perfstat_reset()`
- `perfstat_partial_reset(NULL, FLUSH_DISK)`
- `perfstat_partial_reset("disk name", FLUSH_DISK)`
- `perfstat_partial_reset(NULL, FLUSH_DISKADAPTER)`
- `perfstat_partial_reset("adapter name of this disk", FLUSH_DISKADAPTER)`

The **`perfstat_diskadapter_t`** structure contains the following members:

Item	Description
<code>adapter_type</code>	<p>0 SCSI, SAS, other legacy adapter types</p> <p>1 Virtual SCSI/SAS Adapter</p> <p>2 Fiber Channel Adapter</p>
<code>char name[IDENTIFIER_LENGTH]</code>	Name of the adapter (from ODM).
<code>char description[IDENTIFIER_LENGTH]</code>	Adapter description (from ODM).
<code>int number</code>	Number of disks connected to adapter.
<code>u_longlong_t size</code>	Total size of all disks (in MB).
<code>u_longlong_t free</code>	Free portion of all disks (in MB).
<code>u_longlong_t __rxfers</code>	Total number of reads via adapter.
<code>u_longlong_t xfers</code>	Total number of transfers to/from disk.
<code>u_longlong_t wblks</code>	512 bytes blocks written via adapter.
<code>u_longlong_t rblks</code>	512 bytes blocks read via adapter.
<code>u_longlong_t time</code>	Amount of time (in clock ticks) disks are active.

Item	Description
<code>u_longlong_t dk_bsize</code>	Adapter block size (wherever applicable).
<code>u_longlong_t dk_rxfers</code>	Number of read transfers via the adapter.
<code>u_longlong_t dk_rserv</code>	Read or receive service time.
<code>u_longlong_t dk_wserv</code>	Write or send service time.
<code>u_longlong_t min_rserv</code>	Minimum read or receive service time.
<code>u_longlong_t max_rserv</code>	Maximum read or receive service time.
<code>u_longlong_t min_wserv</code>	Minimum write or send service time.
<code>u_longlong_t max_wserv</code>	Maximum write or send service time.
<code>u_longlong_t wq_depth</code>	Driver wait queue depth.
<code>u_longlong_t wq_sampled</code>	Accumulated sampled <code>dk_wq_depth</code> .
<code>u_longlong_t wq_time</code>	Accmulated wait queueing time.
<code>u_longlong_t wq_min_time</code>	Minimum wait queueing time.
<code>u_longlong_t wq_max_time</code>	Maximum wait queueing time.
<code>u_longlong_t q_full</code>	Service queue full occurrence count (number of times the devices connected to the adapter is not accepting any more request).
<code>u_longlong_t q_sampled</code>	Accumulated sampled service queue depth.

The list of the disk adapters and the size, free, and description members of the `perfstat_diskadapter_t` structure are stored in the information cache. They can be flushed by making one of the following calls:

- `perfstat_reset()`
- `perfstat_partial_reset(NULL, FLUSH_DISKADAPTER)`
- `perfstat_partial_reset("diskadapter name", FLUSH_DISKADAPTER)`
- `perfstat_partial_reset(NULL, FLUSH_DISK)`
- `perfstat_partial_reset("disk linked to this adapter", FLUSH_DISK)`

The **`perfstat_diskpath_t`** structure contains the following members:

Item	Description
<code>char name [IDENTIFIER_LENGTH]</code>	Name of the path.
<code>u_longlong_t __rxfers</code>	Number of reads completed through the path.
<code>u_longlong_t xfers</code>	Total number of transfers through the path.
<code>u_longlong_t wblks</code>	512 bytes blocks written through the path.
<code>u_longlong_t rblks</code>	512 bytes blocks read through the path.
<code>u_longlong_t time</code>	Amount of time (in clock ticks) path is active.
<code>char adapter [IDENTIFIER_LENGTH]</code>	Name of the adapter.
<code>u_longlong_t q_full</code>	"Service" queue full occurrence count (number of times the disk is not accepting any more request).
<code>u_longlong_t q_sampled</code>	Accumulated sampled "service" queue depth.
<code>u_longlong_t rserv</code>	Read service time.
<code>u_longlong_t rtimeout</code>	Number of read request timeout.

Item	Description
u_longlong_t rfailed	Number of failed read requests.
u_longlong_t min_rserv	Minimum read service time.
u_longlong_t max_rserv	Maximum read service time.
u_longlong_t wserv	Write service time.
u_longlong_t wtimeout	Number of write request timeout.
u_longlong_t wfailed	Number of failed write requests.
u_longlong_t min_wserv	Minimum write service time.
u_longlong_t max_wserv	Maximum write service time.
u_longlong_t wq_depth	Instantaneous wait queue depth (number of requests waiting to be sent to disk).
u_longlong_t wq_sampled	Accumulated sampled wq_depth .
u_longlong_t wq_time	Accumulated wait queuing time.
u_longlong_t wq_min_time	Minimum wait queuing time.
u_longlong_t wq_max_time	Maximum wait queuing time.

The adapter member of the `perfstat_diskpath_t` structure is stored in the information cache. It can be flushed by making one of the following calls:

- `perfstat_reset()`
- `perfstat_partial_reset(NULL, FLUSH_DISKPATH)`
- `perfstat_partial_reset("diskpath name", FLUSH_DISKPATH)`
- `perfstat_partial_reset(NULL, FLUSH_DISKADAPTER)`
- `perfstat_partial_reset("diskadapter name of this diskpath", FLUSH_DISKADAPTER)`
- `perfstat_partial_reset(NULL, FLUSH_DISK)`
- `perfstat_partial_reset("disk pointed by this path", FLUSH_DISK)`

The **`perfstat_memory_total_t`** structure contains the following members:

Item	Description
u_longlong_t virt_total	Total virtual memory (in 4 KB pages).
u_longlong_t real_total	Total real memory (in 4 KB pages).
u_longlong_t real_free	Free real memory (in 4 KB pages).
u_longlong_t real_pinned	Real memory which is pinned (in 4 KB pages).
u_longlong_t real_inuse	Real memory which is in use (in 4 KB pages).
u_longlong_t pgbad	Number of bad pages.
u_longlong_t pgexct	Number of page faults.
u_longlong_t pgins	Number of pages paged in.
u_longlong_t pgouts	Number of pages paged out.
u_longlong_t pgspins	Number of page ins from paging space.
u_longlong_t pgspouts	Number of page outs from paging space.
u_longlong_t scans	Number of page scans by clock.
u_longlong_t cycles	Number of page replacement cycles.

Item	Description
u_longlong_t pgsteals	Number of page steals.
u_longlong_t numperm	Number of frames used for files (in 4 KB pages).
u_longlong_t pgsp_total	Total paging space (in 4 KB pages).
u_longlong_t pgsp_free	Free paging space (in 4 KB pages).
u_longlong_t pgsp_rsvd	Reserved paging space (in 4 KB pages).
u_longlong_t real_system	Real memory used by system segments (in 4 KB pages). This value is the sum of all the used pages in segment marked for system usage. Because segment classifications are not always guaranteed to be accurate, this number is only an approximation.
u_longlong_t real_user	Real memory used by non-system segments (in 4 KB pages). This is the sum of all pages used in segments not marked for system usage. Because segment classifications are not always guaranteed to be accurate, this number is only an approximation.
u_longlong_t real_process	Real memory used by process segments (in 4 KB pages). This is real_total-real_free-numperm-real_system. Because real_system is an approximation, this number is as well.
u_longlong_t virt_active	Active virtual pages (avm column in vmstat output). Virtual pages are considered active if they have been accessed.
u_longlong_t iome	I/O memory entitlement of the partition in bytes.
u_longlong_t iomu	I/O memory entitlement of the partition in use in bytes.
u_longlong_t iohwm	High water mark of I/O memory entitlement used in bytes.
u_longlong_t pmem	Amount of physical memory currently backing partition's logical memory in bytes.
u_longlong_t comprsd_total	Total numbers of pages in compressed pool (in 4 KB pages).
u_longlong_t comprsd_wseg_pgs	Number of compressed working storage pages.
u_longlong_t cpkins	Number of page ins to compressed pool.
u_longlong_t cpkout	Number of page outs from compressed pool.
u_longlong_t true_size	True memory size in 4 KB pages.
u_longlong_t expanded_memory	Expanded memory size in 4 KB pages.
u_longlong_t comprsd_wseg_size	Total size of the compressed working storage pages in the pool.
u_longlong_t target_cpool_size	Target compressed pool size in bytes.
u_longlong_t max_cpool_size	Maximum size of compressed pool in bytes.
u_longlong_t min_ucpool_size	Minimum size of uncompressed pool in bytes.
u_longlong_t cpool_size	Compressed pool size in bytes.
u_longlong_t ucpool_size	Uncompressed pool size in bytes.
u_longlong_t cpool_inuse	Compressed pool used in bytes.
u_longlong_t ucpool_inuse	Uncompressed pool used in bytes.

The **perfstat_memory_total_wpar_t** structure contains the following members:

Item	Description
u_longlong_t real_total	Global total real memory (in 4 KB pages).
u_longlong_t real_free	Global free real memory (in 4 KB pages).
u_longlong_t real_pinned	Real memory that is pinned (in 4 KB pages).
u_longlong_t real_inuse	Real memory that is in use (in 4 KB pages).
u_longlong_t pgexct	Number of page faults.
u_longlong_t pgins	Number of pages paged in.
u_longlong_t pgouts	Number of pages paged out.
u_longlong_t pgspins	Number of page-ins from paging space.
u_longlong_t pgspouts	Number of page-outs from paging space.
u_longlong_t scans	Number of page-scans by clock.
u_longlong_t pgsteals	Number of page-steals.
u_longlong_t numperm	Number of frames used for files (in 4 KB pages).
u_longlong_t virt_active	Active virtual pages. Virtual pages are considered active if they have been accessed.
u_longlong_t comprsd_total	Total numbers of pages in compressed pool (in 4 KB pages).
u_longlong_t comprsd_wseg_pgs	Number of compressed working storage pages.
u_longlong_t cpkins	Number of page ins to compressed pool.
u_longlong_t cpkout	Number of page outs from compressed pool.
u_longlong_t comprsd_wseg_size	Total size of the compressed working storage pages in the pool.
u_longlong_t ucpool_size	Uncompressed pool size in bytes.

The **perfstat_tape_t** structure contains the following members:

Item	Description
char name[IDENTIFIER_LENGTH]	Name of the tape.
char description[IDENTIFIER_LENGTH]	Tape description (from ODM).
u_longlong_t size	Size of the tape (in MB).
u_longlong_t free	Free portion of the tape (in MB).
u_longlong_t bsize	Tape block size (in bytes).
u_longlong_t xfers	Number of transfers to/from tape.
u_longlong_t rxfers	Number of read transfers to/from tape.
u_longlong_t wblks	Number of blocks written to tape.
u_longlong_t rblks	Number of blocks read from tape.
u_longlong_t time	Amount of time tape is active.
char adapter[IDENTIFIER_LENGTH]	Tape adapter name.
uint paths_count	Number of paths to this tape.

Item	Description
u_longlong_t rserv	Read or receive service time.
u_longlong_t rtimeout	Number of read request timeout.
u_longlong_t rfailed	Number of failed read requests.
u_longlong_t min_rserv	Minimum read or receive service time.
u_longlong_t max_rserv	Maximum read or receive service time.
u_longlong_t wserv	Write or send service time.
u_longlong_t wtimeout	Number of write request timeout.
u_longlong_t wfailed	Number of failed write requests.
u_longlong_t min_wserv	Minimum write or send service time.
u_longlong_t max_wserv	Maximum write or send service time.

The **perfstat_tape_total_t** structure contains the following members:

Item	Description
int number	Total number of tapes.
u_longlong_t size	Total size of all tapes (in MB).
u_longlong_t free	Free portion of all tapes (in MB).
u_longlong_t rxfers	Number of read transfers to/from tape.
u_longlong_t xfers	Total number of transfers to/from tape.
u_longlong_t wblks	512 bytes blocks written to all tapes.
u_longlong_t rblks	512 bytes blocks read from all tapes.
u_longlong_t time	Total time the tapes are active.

The **perfstat_memory_page_t** structure contains the following members:

psize_t	psize	page size in bytes
u_longlong_t real_total		Number of real memory frames of this page size.
u_longlong_t real_free		Number of pages on free list.
u_longlong_t real_pinned		Number of pages pinned.
u_longlong_t real_inuse		Number of pages in use.
u_longlong_t pgexct		Number of page faults.
u_longlong_t pgins		Number of pages paged in.
u_longlong_t pouts		Number of pages paged out.
u_longlong_t pgspins		Number of page ins from paging space.

psize_t	psize	page size in bytes
u_longlong_t	pgspouts	Number of page outs from paging space.
u_longlong_t	scans	Number of page scans by clock.
u_longlong_t	cycles	Number of page replacement cycles.
u_longlong_t	pgsteals	Number of page steals.
u_longlong_t	numperm	Number of frames used for files.
u_longlong_t	numpgsp	Number of pages with allocated paging space.
u_longlong_t	real_system	Number of pages used by system segments. This is the sum of all the used pages in segment marked for system usage. Because segment classifications are not always guaranteed to be accurate, This number is only an approximation.
u_longlong_t	real_user	Number of pages used by non-system segments. This is the sum of all pages used in segments not marked for system usage. Because segment classifications are not always guaranteed to be accurate, This number is only an approximation.
u_longlong_t	real_process	Number of pages used by process segments. This is real_total - real_free - numperm - real_system. Because real_system is an approximation, this number is too.
u_longlong_t	virt_active	Active virtual pages. Virtual pages are considered active if they have been accessed.
u_longlong_t	comprsd_total	Number of pages of this size compressed.
u_longlong_t	comprsd_wseg_pgs	Number of compressed working storage pages.
u_longlong_t	cpbins	Number of page ins of this page size to compressed pool.
u_longlong_t	cpgouts	Number of page outs of this page size from compressed pool.
u_longlong_t	cpool_inuse	Compressed size (in MB) of this page size in compressed pool.
u_longlong_t	ucpool_size	Uncompressed pool size in MB of this page size.
u_longlong_t	comprsd_wseg_size	Total size of the compressed working storage pages in the pool.

The **perfstat_memory_page_wpar_t** structure contains the following members:

psize_t	psize	page size in bytes
u_longlong_t	real_total	Number of real memory frames of this page size.
u_longlong_t	real_pinned	Number of pages pinned.

psize_t	psize	page size in bytes
u_longlong_t	real_inuse	Number of pages in use.
u_longlong_t	pgexct	Number of page faults.
u_longlong_t	pgins	Number of pages paged in.
u_longlong_t	pouts	Number of pages paged out.
u_longlong_t	pgspins	Number of page ins from paging space.
u_longlong_t	pgspouts	Number of page outs from paging space.
u_longlong_t	scans	Number of page scans by clock.
u_longlong_t	pgsteals	Number of page steals.
u_longlong_t	comprsd_total	Number of pages of this size compressed.
u_longlong_t	comprsd_wseg_pgs	Number of compressed working storage pages.
u_longlong_t	cpgins	Number of page ins of this page size to compressed pool.
u_longlong_t	cpgouts	Number of page outs of this page size from compressed pool.
u_longlong_t	cpool_inuse	Compressed size (in MB) of this page size in compressed pool.
u_longlong_t	ucpool_size	Uncompressed pool size in MB of this page size.
u_longlong_t	comprsd_wseg_size	Total size of the compressed working storage pages in the pool.

The **perfstat_process_t** structure contains the following members:

Item	Description
u_longlong_t version	Version number of the data structure.
u_longlong_t pid	Process ID.
char proc_name[64]	Name of the process.
int proc_priority	Process priority.
u_longlong_t num_threads	Thread count.
u_longlong_t proc_uid	Owner information.
u_longlong_t proc_classid	WLM class name.
u_longlong_t proc_size	Virtual size of the process (exclusive usage, leaving all shared library text & shared file pages, shared memory, and memory mapped).
u_longlong_t proc_real_mem_data	Real memory used for data in KB.
u_longlong_t proc_real_mem_text	Real memory used for text in KB.
u_longlong_t proc_virt_mem_data	Virtual memory used for data in KB.
u_longlong_t proc_virt_mem_text	Virtual memory used for text in KB.
u_longlong_t shared_lib_data_size	Data size from shared library in KB.
u_longlong_t heap_size	Heap size in KB.

Item	Description
<code>u_longlong_t real_inuse</code>	The Real memory (in KB) in use by the process including all kind of segments (excluding system segments). This includes text, data, shared library text, shared library data, file pages, shared memory, and memory mapped.
<code>u_longlong_t virt_inuse</code>	The virtual memory (in KB) in use by the process including all kind of segments (excluding system segments). This includes text, data, shared library text, shared library data, file pages, shared memory, and memory mapped.
<code>u_longlong_t pinned</code>	Pinned memory (in KB) for this process inclusive of all segments.
<code>u_longlong_t pgsp_inuse</code>	Paging space used (in KB) inclusive of all segments.
<code>u_longlong_t filepages</code>	File pages used (in KB) including shared pages.
<code>u_longlong_t real_inuse_map</code>	Real memory used (in KB) for shared memory and memory mapped regions
<code>u_longlong_t virt_inuse_map</code>	Virtual memory used (in KB) for shared memory and memory mapped regions.
<code>u_longlong_t pinned_inuse_map</code>	Pinned memory used (in KB) for shared memory and memory mapped regions.
<code>double ucpu_time</code>	User mode CPU time is in percentage or milliseconds, which is based on, whether it is filled by <code>perfstat_process_util</code> or <code>perfstat_process</code> respectively.
<code>double scpu_time</code>	System mode CPU time is in percentage or milliseconds, which is based on whether it is filled by <code>perfstat_process_util</code> or <code>perfstat_process</code> respectively.
<code>u_longlong_t last_timebase</code>	Timebase counter.
<code>u_longlong_t inBytes</code>	Bytes written to disk.
<code>u_longlong_t outBytes</code>	Bytes read from disk.
<code>u_longlong_t inOps</code>	In operations from disk.
<code>u_longlong_t outOps</code>	Out operations from disk

The **`perfstat_netinterface_t`** structure contains the following members:

Item	Description
<code>char name[IDENTIFIER_LENGTH]</code>	Name of the interface.
<code>char description[IDENTIFIER_LENGTH]</code>	Interface description (from ODM, similar to <code>lscfg</code> output).
<code>uchar type</code>	Ethernet, token ring, and so on. Interpretation can be done using the <code>/usr/include/net/if_types.h</code> file.
<code>u_longlong_t mtu</code>	Network frame size.
<code>u_longlong_t ipacets</code>	Number of packets received on interface.
<code>u_longlong_t ibytes</code>	Number of bytes received on interface.
<code>u_longlong_t ierrors</code>	Number of input errors on interface.
<code>u_longlong_t opackets</code>	Number of packets sent on interface.
<code>u_longlong_t obytes</code>	Number of bytes sent on interface.

Item	Description
u_longlong_t oerrors	Number of output errors on interface.
u_longlong_t collisions	Number of collisions on csma interface.
u_longlong_t bitrate	Adapter rating in bit per second.
u_longlong_t if_iqdrops	Dropped on input, this interface.
u_longlong_t if_arpdrops	Dropped because no arp response.

The **perfstat_logicalvolume_t** structure contains the following members:

Item	Description
char name[IDENTIFIER_LENGTH]	Logical volume name.
char vgname[IDENTIFIER_LENGTH]	Volume group name.
u_longlong_t open_close	LVM_QLVOPEN, and so on. For more information, see the lvm.h file.
u_longlong_t state	LVM_UNDEF, and so on. For more information, see the lvm.h file.
u_longlong_t mirror_policy	LVM_PARALLEL, and so on. For more information, see the lvm.h file.
u_longlong_t mirror_write_consistency	LVM_CONSIST, and so on. For more information, see the lvm.h file.
u_longlong_t write_verify	LVM_VERIFY, and so on. For more information, see the lvm.h file.
u_longlong_t ppsize	Physical partition size in MB.
u_longlong_t logical_partitions	Total number of logical partitions configured for this logical volume.
ushort mirrors	Number of physical mirrors for each logical partition.
u_longlong_t iocnt	Number of read and write requests.
u_longlong_t kbreads	Number of kilobytes read.
u_longlong_t kbwrites	Number of kilobytes written.
u_longlong_t if_iqdrops	Dropped on input, this interface.
u_longlong_t if_arpdrops	Dropped because no arp response.

The logical volume statistics collection must be enabled by using the following call:

```
perfstat_config(PERFSTAT_ENABLE | PERFSTAT_LV, NULL)
```

The logical volume statistics collection must be disabled after collecting the data by using the following call:

```
perfstat_config(PERFSTAT_DISABLE | PERFSTAT_LV, NULL)
```

The **perfstat_volumegroup_t** structure contains the following members:

Item	Description
char name[IDENTIFIER_LENGTH]	Volume group name.
u_longlong_t total_disks	Number of physical volumes in the volume group.
u_longlong_t active_disks	Number of active physical volumes in the volume group.

Item	Description
u_longlong_t total_logical_volumes	Number of logical volumes in the volume group.
u_longlong_t opened_logical_volumes	Number of logical volumes opened in the volume group.
u_longlong_t iocnt	Number of read and write requests.
u_longlong_t kbreads	Number of kilobytes read.
u_longlong_t kbwrites	Number of kilobytes written.
unsigned variedState	Volume Group is Available or not <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 0 = Available which implies varied ON • 1 = Not Available which implies varied OFF

The volume group statistics collection must be enabled by using the following call:

```
perfstat_config(PERFSTAT_ENABLE | PERFSTAT_LV, NULL)
```

The volume groups statistics collection must be disabled after collecting the data by using the following call:

```
perfstat_config(PERFSTAT_DISABLE | PERFSTAT_LV, NULL)
```

The description member of the `perfstat_netinterface_t` structure is stored in the information cache. It can be flushed by making one of the following calls:

- `perfstat_reset()`
- `perfstat_partial_reset(NULL, FLUSH_NETINTERFACE)`
- `perfstat_partial_reset("netinterface name", FLUSH_NETINTERFACE)`

The **`perfstat_netinterface_total_t`** structure contains the following members:

Item	Description
int number	Number of network interfaces.
u_longlong_t ipackets	Number of packets received on interface.
u_longlong_t ibytes	Number of bytes received on interface.
u_longlong_t ierrors	Number of input errors on interface.
u_longlong_t opackets	Number of packets sent on interface.
u_longlong_t obytes	Number of bytes sent on interface.
u_longlong_t oerrors	Number of output errors on interface.
u_longlong_t collisions	Number of collisions on csma interface.

The **`perfstat_pagingspace_t`** structure contains the following members:

Item	Description
char name[IDENTIFIER_LENGTH]	Paging space name.
char type	Type of paging device.

The possible values of the members are as follows:

Item	Description
LV_PAGING	Logical volume.
NFS_PAGING	NFS file.

The **nfs_paging** union has the following fields:

Item	Description
char nfs_paging.hostname[IDENTIFIER_LENGTH]	Host name of paging server.
char nfs_paging.filename[IDENTIFIER_LENGTH]	Swap file name on server.

The **lv_paging** union has the following fields:

Item	Description
char lv_paging.vgname[IDENTIFIER_LENGTH]	Volume group name.
longlong_t lp_size	Size in number of logical partitions.
longlong_t mb_size	Size in megabytes.
longlong_t mb_used	Portion used in megabytes.
longlong_t io_pending	Number of pending I/O.
char active	Indicates if active (1 if yes, 0 if not).
char automatic	Indicates if automatic (1 if yes, 0 if not).

The list of the paging spaces and the automatic, type, lpsize, mbsize, host name, file name, and vgname members of the `perfstat_pagingspace_t` structure are stored in the information cache. They can be flushed by making one of the following calls:

- `perfstat_reset()`
- `perfstat_partial_reset(NULL, FLUSH_PAGINGSPEACE)`
- `perfstat_partial_reset("paging space name", FLUSH_PAGINGSPEACE)`

The **perfstat_netbuffer_t** structure contains the following members:

Item	Description
char name[IDENTIFIER_LENGTH]	Size in ASCII. It is always a power of 2. For example, 32, 64, and 128.
u_longlong_t inuse	Number of buffer currently allocated.
u_longlong_t calls	Number of buffer allocations since last reset.
u_longlong_t delayed	Number of delayed allocations.
u_longlong_t free	Number of free calls.
u_longlong_t failed	Number of failed allocations.
u_longlong_t highwatermark	High threshold for number of buffer allocated.
u_longlong_t freed	Number of buffers freed.

The **perfstat_prottool_t** structure contains the following members:

Item	Description
<code>char name[IDENTIFIER_LENGTH]</code>	ip, ipv6, icmp, icmpv6, udp, tcp, rpc, nfs, nfsv2, nfsv8

The **ip** union contains the following fields:

Item	Description
<code>u_longlong_t ip.ipackets</code>	Number of input packets.
<code>u_longlong_t ip.ierrors</code>	Number of input errors.
<code>u_longlong_t ip.iqueueoverflow</code>	Number of input queue overflows.
<code>u_longlong_t ip.opackets</code>	Number of output packets.
<code>u_longlong_t ip.oerrors</code>	Number of output errors.

The **ipv6** union contains the following fields:

Item	Description
<code>u_longlong_t ipv6.ipackets</code>	Number of input packets.
<code>u_longlong_t ipv6.ierrors</code>	Number of input errors.
<code>u_longlong_t ipv6.iqueueoverflow</code>	Number of input queue overflows.
<code>u_longlong_t ipv6.opackets</code>	Number of output packets.
<code>u_longlong_t ipv6.oerrors</code>	Number of output errors.

The **icmp** union contains the following fields:

Item	Description
<code>u_longlong_t icmp.received</code>	Number of packets received.
<code>u_longlong_t icmp.sent</code>	Number of packets sent.
<code>u_longlong_t icmp.errors</code>	Number of errors.

The **icmpv6** union contains the following fields:

Item	Description
<code>u_longlong_t icmpv6.received</code>	Number of packets received.
<code>u_longlong_t icmpv6.sent</code>	Number of packets sent.
<code>u_longlong_t icmpv6.errors</code>	Number of errors.

The **udp** union contains the following fields:

Item	Description
<code>u_longlong_t udp.ipackets</code>	Number of input packets.
<code>u_longlong_t udp.ierrors</code>	Number of input errors.
<code>u_longlong_t udp.opackets</code>	Number of output packets.
<code>u_longlong_t udp.no_socket</code>	Number of packets dropped due to no socket.

The **tcp** union contains the following fields:

Item	Description
<code>u_longlong_t tcp.ipackets</code>	Number of input packets.

Item

u_longlong_t tcp.ierrors
 u_longlong_t tcp.opackets
 u_longlong_t tcp.initiated
 u_longlong_t tcp.accepted
 u_longlong_t tcp.established
 u_longlong_t tcp.dropped

Description

Number of input errors.
 Number of output packets.
 Number of connections initiated.
 Number of connections accepted.
 Number of connections established.
 Number of connections dropped.

The **rpc** union contains the following fields:

Item

u_longlong_t
 rpc.client.stream.calls
 u_longlong_t
 rpc.client.stream.badcalls
 u_longlong_t
 rpc.client.stream.badxids
 u_longlong_t
 rpc.client.stream.timeouts
 u_longlong_t
 rpc.client.stream.newcreds
 u_longlong_t
 rpc.client.stream.badverfs
 u_longlong_t
 rpc.client.stream.timers
 u_longlong_t
 rpc.client.stream.nomem
 u_longlong_t
 rpc.client.stream.cantconn
 u_longlong_t
 rpc.client.stream.interrupts
 u_longlong_t
 rpc.client.dgram.calls
 u_longlong_t
 rpc.client.dgram.badcalls
 u_longlong_t
 rpc.client.dgram.retrans
 u_longlong_t
 rpc.client.dgram.badxids
 u_longlong_t
 rpc.client.dgram.timeouts
 u_longlong_t
 rpc.client.dgram.newcreds
 u_longlong_t
 rpc.client.dgram.badverfs

Description

Total NFS client RPC connection-oriented calls.
 Rejected NFS client RPC calls.
 Bad NFS client RPC call responses.
 Timed out NFS client RPC calls with no reply.
 Total NFS client RPC authentication refreshes.
 Total NFS client RPC bad verifier in response.
 NFS client RPC timeout greater than timeout value.
 NFS client RPC calls memory allocation failure.
 Failed NFS client RPC calls.
 NFS client RPC calls fail due to interrupt.
 Total NFS client RPC connectionless calls.
 Rejected NFS client RPC calls.
 Retransmitted NFS client RPC calls.
 Bad NFS client RPC call responses.
 Timed out NFS client RPC calls with no reply.
 Total NFS client RPC authentication refreshes.
 Total NFS client RPC bad verifier in response.

Item	Description
u_longlong_t rpc.client.dgram.timers	NFS client RPC timeout greater than timeout value.
u_longlong_t rpc.client.dgram.nomem	NFS client RPC calls memory allocation failure.
u_longlong_t rpc.client.dgram.cantsend	NFS client RPC calls not sent.
u_longlong_t rpc.server.stream.calls	Total NFS server RPC connection-oriented requests.
u_longlong_t rpc.server.stream.badcalls	Rejected NFS server RPC requests.
u_longlong_t rpc.server.stream.nullrecv	NFS server RPC calls failed due to unavailable packet.
u_longlong_t rpc.server.stream.badlen	NFS server RPC requests failed due to bad length.
u_longlong_t rpc.server.stream.xdrCALL	NFS server RPC requests failed due to bad header.
u_longlong_t rpc.server.stream.dupchecks	NFS server RPC calls found in request cache.
u_longlong_t rpc.server.stream.dupreqs	Total NFS server RPC call duplicates.
u_longlong_t rpc.server.dgram.calls	Total NFS server RPC connectionless requests.
u_longlong_t rpc.server.dgram.badcalls	Rejected NFS server RPC requests.
u_longlong_t rpc.server.dgram.nullrecv	NFS server RPC calls failed due to unavailable packet.
u_longlong_t rpc.server.dgram.badlen	NFS server RPC requests failed due to bad length.
u_longlong_t rpc.server.dgram.xdrCALL	NFS server RPC requests failed due to bad header.
u_longlong_t rpc.server.dgram.dupchecks	NFS server RPC calls found in request cache.
u_longlong_t rpc.server.dgram.dupreqs	Total NFS server RPC call duplicates.

The **nfs** union contains the following fields:

Item	Description
u_longlong_t nfs.client.calls	Total NFS client requests.
u_longlong_t nfs.client.badcalls	Total NFS client failed calls.
u_longlong_t nfs.client.clgets	Total number of client NFS clgets .
u_longlong_t nfs.client.cltoomany	Total number of client NFS cltoomany .
u_longlong_t nfs.server.calls	Total NFS server requests.
u_longlong_t nfs.server.badcalls	Total NFS server failed calls.

Item	Description
u_longlong_t nfs.server.public_v2	Total number of NFS version 2 server calls.
u_longlong_t nfs.server.public_v3	Total number of NFS version 3 server calls.

The **nfsv2** union contains the following fields:

Item	Description
u_longlong_t nfsv2.client.calls	NFS V2 client requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv2.client.null	NFS V2 client null requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv2.client.getattr	NFS V2 client getattr requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv2.client.setattr	NFS V2 client setattr requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv2.client.root	NFS V2 client root requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv2.client.lookup	NFS V2 client file name lookup requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv2.client.readlink	NFS V2 client readlink requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv2.client.read	NFS V2 client read requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv2.client.writecache	NFS V2 client write cache requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv2.client.write	NFS V2 client write requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv2.client.create	NFS V2 client file creation requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv2.client.remove	NFS V2 client file removal requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv2.client.rename	NFS V2 client file rename requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv2.client.link	NFS V2 client link creation requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv2.client.symlink	NFS V2 client symbolic link creation requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv2.client.mkdir	NFS V2 client directory creation requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv2.client.rmdir	NFS V2 client directory removal requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv2.client.readdir	NFS V2 client read-directory requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv2.client.statfs	NFS V2 client file stat requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv2.server.calls	NFS V2 server requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv2.server.null	NFS V2 server null requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv2.server.getattr	NFS V2 server getattr requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv2.server.setattr	NFS V2 server setattr requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv2.server.root	NFS V2 server root requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv2.server.lookup	NFS V2 server file name lookup requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv2.server.readlink	NFS V2 server readlink requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv2.server.read	NFS V2 server read requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv2.server.writecache	NFS V2 server cache requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv2.server.write	NFS V2 server write requests.

Item	Description
u_longlong_t nfsv2.server.create	NFS V2 server file creation requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv2.server.remove	NFS V2 server file removal requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv2.server.rename	NFS V2 server file rename requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv2.server.link	NFS V2 server link creation requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv2.server.symlink	NFS V2 server symbolic link creation requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv2.server.mkdir	NFS V2 server directory creation requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv2.server.rmdir	NFS V2 server directory removal requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv2.server.readdir	NFS V2 server read-directory requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv2.server.statfs	NFS V2 server file stat requests.

The **nfsv3** union contains the following fields:

Item	Description
u_longlong_t nfsv3.client.calls	NFS V3 client calls.
u_longlong_t nfsv3.client.null	NFS V3 client null requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv3.client.getattr	NFS V3 client getattr requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv3.client.setattr	NFS V3 client setattr requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv3.client.lookup	NFS V3 client file name lookup requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv3.client.access	NFS V3 client access requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv3.client.readlink	NFS V3 client readlink requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv3.client.read	NFS V3 client read requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv3.client.write	NFS V3 client write requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv3.client.create	NFS V3 client file creation requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv3.client.mkdir	NFS V3 client directory creation requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv3.client.symlink	NFS V3 client symbolic link creation requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv3.client.mknod	NFS V3 client mknod creation requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv3.client.remove	NFS V3 client file removal requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv3.client.rmdir	NFS V3 client directory removal requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv3.client.rename	NFS V3 client file rename requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv3.client.link	NFS V3 client link creation requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv3.client.readdir	NFS V3 client read-directory requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv3.client.readdirplus	NFS V3 client read-directory plus requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv3.client.fsstat	NFS V3 client file stat requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv3.client.fsinfo	NFS V3 client file info requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv3.client.pathconf	NFS V3 client path configure requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv3.client.commit	NFS V3 client commit requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv3.server.calls	NFS V3 server requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv3.server.null	NFS V3 server null requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv3.server.getattr	NFS V3 server getattr requests.

Item	Description
u_longlong_t nfsv3.server.setattr	NFS V3 server setattr requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv3.server.lookup	NFS V3 server file name lookup requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv3.server.access	NFS V3 server file access requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv3.server.readlink	NFS V3 server readlink requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv3.server.read	NFS V3 server read requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv3.server.write	NFS V3 server write requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv3.server.create	NFS V3 server file creation requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv3.server.mkdir	NFS V3 server director6 creation requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv3.server.symlink	NFS V3 server symbolic link creation requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv3.server.mknod	NFS V3 server mknod creation requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv3.server.remove	NFS V3 server file removal requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv3.server.rmdir	NFS V3 server directory removal requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv3.server.rename	NFS V3 server file rename requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv3.server.link	NFS V3 server link creation requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv3.server.readdir	NFS V3 server read-directory requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv3.server.readdirplus	NFS V3 server read-directory plus requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv3.server.fsstat	NFS V3 server file stat requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv3.server.fsinfo	NFS V3 server file info requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv3.server.pathconf	NFS V3 server path configure requests.
u_longlong_t nfsv3.server.commit	NFS V3 server commit requests.

The **perfstat_bio_dev_t** structure contains the following members:

Item	Description
char name[32]	Device Name.
dev64_t	64bit device ID.
u_longlong_t rbytes	Bytes read
u_longlong_t wbytes	Bytes Written
u_longlong_t rerrs	Number of read errors
u_longlong_t werrs	Number of write errors
u_longlong_t rtime	Aggregate time (reads)
u_longlong_t wtime	Aggregate time (writes)
u_longlong_t nread	Number of reads
u_longlong_t nwrite	Number of writes
u_longlong_t dev_status	Status of device

1 - Available
0 - Unavailable
0xFFFFFFFF0ERRORNO otherwise

```
#define GET_DEVEERROR(x) ((int)((x<0)?(x & 0x00000000FFFFFFFFLL):0))
```

The **perfstat_cluster_total_t** structure contains the following members:

Item	Description
char name[MAXHOSTNAMELEN]	Name of the cluster.
Perfstat_cluster_type_p type	Set of bits describing the cluster.
u_longlong_t num_nodes	Number of nodes in the cluster.
perfstat_node_data_t *node_data	Contains node details. Can be either NULL or (sizeof_node_data * total number of nodes). Note: Memory needs to be allocated by the user.
u_longlong_t sizeof_node_data	Equals sizeof(perfstat_node_data_t). Note: The value is entered by the user.
u_longlong_t num_disks	Number of disks in the cluster.
perfstat_disk_data_t *disk_data	Contains disk details. Can be either NULL or (sizeof_disk_data * total number of disks). Note: Memory needs to be allocated by the user.
u_longlong_t sizeof_disk_data	Equals sizeof(perfstat_disk_data_t). Note: The value is entered by the user.

The **perfstat_cluster_type_t** structure contains the following members:

Item	Description
unsigned:1 is_local	Cluster type is Local.
unsigned:1 is_zone	Cluster type is Zone.
unsigned:1 is_link	Cluster type is Link.

The **perfstat_node_data_t** structure contains the following members:

Item	Description
char name[MAXHOSTNAMELEN]	Name of the node.
u_longlong_t shorthand_id	Cluster shorthand ID for the node.
perfstat_node_status_t status	State of the node.
u_longlong_t num_clusters	Number of clusters node is a member in.
u_longlong_t num_zones	Number of zones node is a member in.
u_longlong_t num_points_of_contact	Number of interfaces node has communicated on.
perfstat_ip_addr_t net_addr	Primary IP address of the node.

The **perfstat_node_status_t** structure contains the following members:

Item	Description
unsigned:1 is_up	State of the node is UP.
unsigned:1 is_down	State of the node is DOWN.
unsigned:1 is_down_not_posted	State of the node is DOWN, BUT NOT POSTED TO CLUSTER.

Item	Description
unsigned:1 is_deleted	State of the node is DELETED.
unsigned:1 is_joined	State of the node is JOINED.

The **perfstat_ip_addr_t** structure contains the following members:

Item	Description
sa_family_t the_family	Address family
union ip	IP address.

The **perfstat_ip_addr_t.ip** structure contains the following members:

Item	Description
struct in_addr ip.ip4	IP address Version 4.
struct in_addr ip.ip6	IP address Version 6.

The **perfstat_disk_data_t** structure contains the following members:

Item	Description
char name[IDENTIFIER_LENGTH]	Specifies the name of the disk.
dev64_t cluster_dev_t	Specifies the dev_t structure of the disk in the cluster.
char uuid[ATTRVALSIZE]	Specifies the universally unique identifier (UUID) of the disk.
char udid[ATTRVALSIZE]	Specifies the unique disk identifier (UDID) of the disk.
perfstat_disk_status_t status	Specifies the status of the disk.

The **perfstat_disk_status_t** structure contains the following members:

Item	Description
unsigned:1 is_found	Cluster disk is found.
Unsigned:1 is_ready	Cluster disk is ready for use.

The **perfstat_processor_pool_util_t** structure contains the following members:

Item	Description
max_capacity	Maximum processor capacity of pool that is in a partition.
entitled_capacity	Entitled processor capacity of pool that is in a partition.
phys_cpus_pool	Available physical processors in the shared processor pool, to which this partition belongs.
idle_cores	Available physical processors in the shared processor pool over the last interval.
max_cores	For the last interval, the total maximum number of cores that might be used by the shared processor pool, to which this partition belongs.
busy_cores	For the last interval, the total busy (nonidle) cores which are accumulated across all partitions in the shared processor pool to which this partition belongs.

Item	Description
sbusy_cores	For the last interval, normalized total busy (nonidle) cores which are accumulated across all partitions in the shared processor pool to which this partition belongs. This is true when the processor cores run at nominal or rated frequency.
gpool_tot_cores	For the last interval, total cores, across all physical processors that are allocated for the shared processor pool use (across all pools).
gpool_busy_cores	For the last interval, the total of busy (nonidle) cores which are accumulated across all shared processor partitions (across all pools).
gpool_sbusy_cores	For last interval, the normalized total busy cores which are accumulated across all shared processor partitions (across all pools). This is true when the processor cores run at nominal or rated frequency.
ssp_id	Identifier of shared pool of the physical processors to which this partition belongs.
tb_last_delta	Elapsed number of clock ticks.
version	Version number for the data structure.

The node/cluster statistics collection must be enabled by using the following call:

```
perfstat_config(PERFSTAT_ENABLE | PERFSTAT_CLUSTER_STATS, NULL)
```

The node/cluster statistics collection must be disabled after collecting the data by using the following call:

```
perfstat_config(PERFSTAT_DISABLE | PERFSTAT_CLUSTER_STATS, NULL)
```

The **perfstat_hfistat_t** structure contains the following members:

Item	Description
u_longlong_t version	The version number (1, 2, and so on).
u_longlong_t hfiid	The HFI identifier (0, 1, and so on).
u_longlong_t cycles_blocked_sending	The number of cycles blocked from sending.
u_longlong_t flits_sent	The flit sent.
u_longlong_t flits_dropped	The flit dropped.
u_longlong_t link_retries	The link level retries.
u_longlong_t pkts_sent	The aggregate count of the packet sent.
u_longlong_t pkts_dropped_sending	The aggregate count of the packet dropped from sending.
_longlong_t pkts_received	The aggregate count of the packet received.
u_longlong_t pkts_dropped_receiving	The aggregate count of the packet dropped from receiving.
u_longlong_t immediate_send_pkt_count	The aggregate of the immediate send packet count.
u_longlong_t send_rcv_pkt_count	The aggregate of the send/receive packet count.

Item	Description
u_longlong_t fullRDMA_sent_count	The aggregate of the full-RDMA packet sent count.
u_longlong_t halfRDMA_sent_count	The aggregate of the half-RDMA packet sent count.
u_longlong_t smallRDMA_sent_count	The aggregate of the small-RDMA packet sent count.
u_longlong_t ip_pkt_sent_count	The aggregate of the IP packet sent count.
u_longlong_t cau_pkt_sent_count	The aggregate of the CAU packet sent count.
u_longlong_t gups_pkt_sent_count	The aggregate of the GUPS packet sent count.
u_longlong_t addr_xlat_wait_count	The address of the xlat wait count.
u_longlong_t mmu_cache_hits	Number of hits to the Nest Memory management Unit Cache
u_longlong_t mmu_cache_misses	Number of hits missed to the Nest Memory management Unit Cache
u_longlong_t mmu_atlb_hits	Number of buffer hits to the Nest Memory management Unit Address Translation Look-Ahead.
u_longlong_t mmu_atlb_misses	Number of buffer hits missed to the Nest Memory management Unit Address Translation Look-Ahead.
u_longlong_t cycles_waiting_on_a_credit	Cycles waiting on credit.

The **perfstat_hfistat_window_t** structure contains the following members:

Item	Description
u_longlong_t version	The version number (1, 2, and so on).
u_longlong_t hfiid	The HFI identifier (0, 1, and so on).
u_longlong_t windowid	The window number (0, 1, 2, and so on).
u_longlong_t pkts_sent	The number of packets sent.
u_longlong_t pkts_dropped_sending	The number of packets dropped while sending.
u_longlong_t pkt_indicated_send_count	The number of indicated packets that were sent.
u_longlong_t immediate_send_pkt_count	The number of immediate send packets.
u_longlong_t pkts_received	The number of packets received.
u_longlong_t pkts_dropped_receiving	The number of packets dropped from receiving.
u_longlong_t pkt_indicated_rcv_count	The number of indicated packets that were received.

A **perfstat_config()** query is provided to verify, if the HFI statistics collection is available.

```
perfstat_config(PERFSTAT_QUERY|PERFSTAT_HFISTATS, NULL);
```

The **perfstat_netadapter_t** structure contains the following members:

Item	Description
u_longlong_t version	The version number (1, 2, and so on).
char name[IDENTIFIER_LENGTH]	Name of the adapter.

Item	Description
u_longlong_t tx_packets	Transmit packets on the interface.
u_longlong_t tx_bytes	Transmit bytes on the interface.
u_longlong_t tx_interrupts	Transfer interrupts.
u_longlong_t tx_errors	Transmit errors.
u_longlong_t tx_packets_dropped	Packets that are dropped at the time of data transmission.
u_longlong_t tx_queue_size	Maximum packets on the software transmit queue.
u_longlong_t tx_queue_len	Transmission queue length.
u_longlong_t tx_queue_overflow	Transmission queue overflow.
u_longlong_t tx_broadcast_packets	Number of broadcast packets transmitted.
u_longlong_t tx_multicast_packets	Number of multicast packets transmitted.
u_longlong_t tx_carrier_sense	Lost carrier sense signal count.
u_longlong_t tx_lost_CTS_errors	The number of unsuccessful transmissions due to the loss of the clear-to-send signal error.
u_longlong_t tx_DMA_underrun	Number of DMA underruns for transmission.
u_longlong_t tx_max_collision_errors	Maximum collision errors at transmission.
u_longlong_t tx_late_collision_errors	Late collision errors at transmission.
u_longlong_t tx_deferred	The number of packets that are deferred for transmission.
u_longlong_t tx_timeout_errors	Time out errors for transmission.
u_longlong_t tx_single_collision_count	Number of single collision errors at transmission.
u_longlong_t tx_multiple_collision_Count	Number of multiple collision errors at transmission.
u_longlong_t rx_packets	Received packets on interface.
u_longlong_t rx_bytes	Received bytes on interface.
u_longlong_t rx_errors	Input errors on interface.
u_longlong_t rx_packets_dropped	The number of packets that are accepted by the device driver for transmission that were not (for any reason) given to the device.
u_longlong_t rx_bad_packets	Number of bad packets received.
u_longlong_t rx_multicast_packets	Number of multicast packets received.
u_longlong_t rx_broadcast_packets	Number of broadcast packets received.
u_longlong_t rx_CRC_errors;	Number of packets received with the CRC errors.
u_longlong_t rx_DMA_overrun;	Number of the DMA overruns for the received data.
u_longlong_t rx_alignment_errors	Packets received with an alignment error.

Item	Description
u_longlong_t rx_noresource_errors	Packets received with no resource errors.
u_longlong_t rx_collision_errors	Packets received with collision errors.
u_longlong_t rx_packet_tooshort_errors	Number of short packets received.
u_longlong_t rx_packet_toolong_errors	Number of packets received that are too long.
u_longlong_t rx_packets_discardedbyadapter	Number of received packets that are discarded by the adapter.

The **perfstat_fcstat_t** structure contains the following members:

Item	Description
u_longlong_t version	The version number (1, 2, and so on).
char name[IDENTIFIER_LENGTH]	Name of the adapter.
u_longlong_t InputRequests	Number of input requests.
u_longlong_t OutputRequests	Number of output requests.
u_longlong_t InputBytes	Number of input bytes.
u_longlong_t OutputBytes	Number of output bytes.
u_longlong_t EffMaxTransfer	Effective maximum transfer value of the adapter.
u_longlong_t NoDMAResourceCnt	Number of the DMA failures caused due to no DMA resource available.
u_longlong_t NoCmdResourceCnt	Number of failures to allocate a command due to unavailability of command resource.
int AttentionType	Link up or down the indicator.
u_longlong_t SecondsSinceLastReset	Displays the seconds since the last reset of the statistics on the adapter.
u_longlong_t TxFrames	Number of frames transmitted.
u_longlong_t TxWords	Fiber Channel Kbytes transmitted.
u_longlong_t RxFrames	Number of frames received.
u_longlong_t RxWords	Fiber Channel Kbytes received.
u_longlong_t LIPCount	Number of loop initialization protocol (LIP) events received in case we have FC-AL (arbitrated loop which is a FC topology).
u_longlong_t NOSCount	Number of Not_Operational (NOS) events. This indicates a link failure state. At a high level, this indicates that the connection to FC network is lost.
u_longlong_t ErrorFrames	Number of frames received with the CRC error.
u_longlong_t DroppedFrames	Number of lost frames.
u_longlong_t LinkFailureCount	Number of link failures.
u_longlong_t LossofSyncCount	Number of loss of sync.
u_longlong_t LossofSignal	Number of signal lost.

Item	Description
u_longlong_t PrimitiveSeqProtocolErrCount	Number of times a primitive sequence was in error.
u_longlong_t InvalidTxWordCount	Number of invalid transmission words received.
u_longlong_t InvalidCRCCount	Number of CRC errors in a received frame.
u_longlong_t PortFcId	SCSI ID of the adapter.
u_longlong_t PortSpeed	Speed of the adapter in Gb (gigabits).
char PortType[PERFSTAT_SIZE]	Type of connection. Valid values are fabric, private loop, point-to-point, and unknown.
u_longlong_t PortWWN	Worldwide port name.
u_longlong_t PortSupportedSpeed	Supported port speed in Gb (gigabits).

The **perfstat_thread_t** structure contains the following members:

Item	Description
u_longlong_t version	Version number of data structure.
u_longlong_t pid	Process ID of the kernel thread.
u_longlong_t tid	Kernel thread ID.
u_longlong_t cpuid	Processor ID to which the thread is bound to.
double ucpu_time	User mode CPU time is in percentage or milliseconds based on, whether it is filled by perfstat_thread_util or perfstat_thread subroutine respectively.
double scpu_time	System mode CPU time is in percentage or milliseconds based on, whether it is filled by perfstat_thread_util or perfstat_thread subroutine respectively.

The **perfstat_cpu_util_t** structure contains the following members:

Item	Description
u_longlong_t version	The version number (1, 2, and so on).
char cpu_id[IDENTIFIER_LENGTH]	Holds the ID of the processors.
float entitlement	Percentage entitlement of the partition.
float user_pct	Percentage of utilization in user mode.
float kern_pct	Percentage of utilization in kernel mode.
float idle_pct	Percentage of utilization in idle mode.
float wait_pct	Percentage of utilization in wait mode.
float physical_busy	Physical processors busy.
float physical_consumed	Total processors used up by the partition
float freq_pct	Average frequency percentage over the last interval
float entitlement_pct	Percentage of entitlement used.
float busy_pct	Percentage of entitlement busy.
float idle_donated_pct	Percentage idle cycles donated.
float busy_donated_pct	Percentage of busy cycles donated.

Item	Description
<code>float idle_stolen_pct</code>	Percentage idle cycles stolen.
<code>float busy_stolen_pct</code>	Percentage busy cycles stolen.
<code>float l_user_pct</code>	Percentage of utilization in user mode, in terms of logical processor ticks.
<code>float l_kern_pct</code>	Percentage of utilization in kernel mode, in terms of logical processor ticks.
<code>float l_idle_pct</code>	Percentage of utilization in idle mode, in terms of logical processor ticks.
<code>float l_wait_pct</code>	Percentage of utilization in wait mode, in terms of logical processor ticks.
<code>u_longlong_t delta_time</code>	Delta time in milliseconds for which the utilization is evaluated.

The **perfstat_ssp_t** structure contains the following members:

Item	Description
<code>u_longlong_t version</code>	Version number for the data structure.
<code>char cluster_name[CLUSTERNAMELN]</code>	Name of the cluster.
<code>char spool_name[POOLNAME]</code>	Name of the shared storage pool.
<code>union u</code>	Details of the shared storage pool. The union structure has the following members: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <code>struct global</code> • <code>perfstat_ssp_disk_data_t disk</code> • <code>struct vtd</code> • <code>perfstat_ssp_tier_t tier</code> • <code>perfstat_ssp_fg_t fg</code> • <code>perfstat_ssp_node_t node</code>
<code>char poolid[MAXPOOLIDSZ]</code>	Specifies the identifier of the shared storage pool.
<code>char clusterid[VIOS_STR_128]</code>	Specifies the identifier of the Cluster.

The **struct global** structure contains the following members:

Item	Description
<code>u_longlong_t total_space</code>	Specifies the total space in the shared storage pool.
<code>u_longlong_t total_used_space</code>	Specifies the used space in the shared storage pool.

The **perfstat_ssp_disk_data_t** structure contains the following members:

Item	Description
<code>char diskname[]</code>	Specifies the disk name.
<code>char udid[ATTRVALSIZE]</code>	Specifies the unique disk identifier (UDID) of the disk.
<code>unsigned long long capacity</code>	Specifies the capacity of the disk.
<code>char tiername[128]</code>	Specifies the tier name that contains the disk.
<code>char fgname[128]</code>	Specifies the failure group name that contains the disk.

Item	Description
unsigned long long fgid	Specifies the failure group ID that contains the disk.
unsigned long long tierid	Specifies the tier ID that contains the disk.
unsigned long long free	Specifies the available size in the physical volume.

The **struct vtd** structure contains the following members:

Item	Description
char vtd_name[IDENTIFIER_LENGTH]	Specifies the virtual target device (VTD) name.
char lu_name[IDENTIFIER_LENGTH]	Specifies the logical unit name.
char lu_type[IDENTIFIER_LENGTH]	Specifies the logical unit type.
u_longlong_t lu_size	Specifies the size of the logical unit.
u_longlong_t lu_free	Specifies the free space that is available in logical unit.
u_longlong_t lu_usage	Specifies the physical usage of logical unit in MB.
int client_id	Specifies the virtual I/O client ID.
char mtm[128]	Specifies the Machine Type Model (MTM).
char drcname[VIOS_STR_256]	Specifies the DLPAR resource connector (DRC) name of the Virtual Host Adapter.
char lu_udid[VIOS_UDID_LENGTH]	Specifies the unique device identifier (UDID) for the Virtual Host Adapter.

The **perfstat_ssp_tier_t** structure contains the following members:

Item	Description
char tiername[128]	Specifies the tier name.
unsigned long long tierid	Specifies the tier identifier.

The **perfstat_ssp_fg_t** structure contains the following members:

Item	Description
char fgname[128]	Specifies the name of the failure group.
unsigned long long fgid	Specifies the identifier of the failure group.
char tiername[128]	Specifies the tier name that contains the failure group.
unsigned long long tierid	Specifies the identifier of the failure group.

The **perfstat_ssp_id_t** structure contains the following members:

Item	Description
unsigned int version	Version number for the data structure.
int spec	Specifies the filter.
sspfilter_t pool	Specifies the pool details to filter.
sspfilter_t tier	Specifies the tier details to filter.
sspfilter_t fg	Specifies the failure group details to filter.
sspfilter_t pv	Specifies the disk details to filter.
perfstat_id_t node	Specifies the node name to filter.

The **ssp_filter_t** structure contains the following members:

Item	Description
char name[128]	Specifies the name of the filter.
unsigned long long id	Specifies the identifier of the filter.

The **perfstat_ssp_node_t** structure contains the following members:

Item	Description
char hostname[MAXHOSTNAMELEN]	Specifies the node name.
char mtms[256]	Specifies the machine type and serial number of the node.
char ip[MAXHOSTNAMELEN]	Specifies the IP address of the host.
unsigned int lparid	Specifies the LPAR identifier of the node.
char ioslevel[256]	Specifies the operating system level of the node.
unsigned int status	Specifies the state of the node: VIO_DOWN or VIO_UP.
unsigned int poolstatus	Specifies the pool status of the node: VIO_DOWN or VIO_UP.

The following are declared as functions:

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int perfstat_cpu(perfstat_id_t *name,
                perfstat_cpu_t *userbuff,
                int sizeof_userbuff,
                int desired_number)
int perfstat_cpu_node(perfstat_id_node_t *name,
                    perfstat_cpu_t *userbuff,
                    int sizeof_userbuff,
                    int desired_number)
int perfstat_cpu_total(perfstat_id_t *name,
                    perfstat_cpu_total_t *userbuff,
                    int sizeof_userbuff,
                    int desired_number)
int perfstat_cpu_total_node(perfstat_id_node_t *name,
                        perfstat_cpu_total_t *userbuff,
                        int sizeof_userbuff,
                        int desired_number)
int perfstat_cpu_total_wpar(perfstat_id_wpar_t *name,
                        perfstat_cpu_total_wpar_t *userbuff,
                        int sizeof_userbuff,
                        int desired_number)
int perfstat_cpu_total_rset(perfstat_id_wpar_t *name,
                        perfstat_cpu_total_t *userbuff,
                        int sizeof_userbuff,
                        int desired_number)
int perfstat_cpu_rset(perfstat_id_wpar_t *name,
                    perfstat_cpu_t *userbuff,
                    int sizeof_userbuff,
                    int desired_number)
int perfstat_partition_total(perfstat_id_t *name,
                        perfstat_partition_total_t *userbuff,
                        int sizeof_userbuff,
                        int devid_number)
int perfstat_partition_total_node(perfstat_id_node_t *name,
                        perfstat_partition_total_t *userbuff,
                        int sizeof_userbuff,
                        int desired_number)
int perfstat_cluster_total(perfstat_id_node_t *name,
                        perfstat_cluster_total_t *userbuff,
                        int sizeof_userbuff,
                        int desired_number)
int perfstat_node_list(perfstat_id_node_t *name,
                    perfstat_node_t *userbuff,
                    int sizeof_userbuff,
                    int desired_number);
int perfstat_disk(perfstat_id_t *name,
                perfstat_disk_t *userbuff,
                int sizeof_userbuff,
                int desired_number)
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int perfstat_disk_node(perfstat_id_node_t *name,
    perfstat_disk_t *userbuff,
    int sizeof_userbuff,
    int desired_number)
int perfstat_disk_total(perfstat_id_t *name,
    perfstat_disk_total_t *userbuff,
    int sizeof_userbuff,
    int desired_number)
int perfstat_disk_total_node(perfstat_id_node_t *name,
    perfstat_disk_total_t *userbuff,
    int sizeof_userbuff,
    int desired_number)
int perfstat_disk_total_wpar(perfstat_id_wpar_t *name,
    perfstat_disk_total_t *userbuff,
    int sizeof_userbuff,
    int desired_number)
int perfstat_tape(perfstat_id_t *name,
    perfstat_tape_t* userbuff, int sizeof_userbuff,
    int desired_number)
int perfstat_tape_node(perfstat_id_node_t *name,
    perfstat_tape_t* userbuff,
    int sizeof_userbuff,
    int desired_number)
int perfstat_tape_total(perfstat_id_t *name,
    perfstat_tape_total_t* userbuff,
    int sizeof_userbuff,
    int desired_number)
int perfstat_tape_total_node(perfstat_id_node_t *name,
    perfstat_tape_total_t* userbuff,
    int sizeof_userbuff,
    int desired_number)
int perfstat_diskadapter(perfstat_id_t *name,
    perfstat_diskadapter_t *userbuff,
    int sizeof_userbuff,
    int desired_number)
int perfstat_diskadapter_node(perfstat_id_node_t *name,
    perfstat_diskadapter_t *userbuff,
    int sizeof_userbuff,
    int desired_number)
int perfstat_memory_total(perfstat_id_t *name,
    perfstat_memory_total_t *userbuff,
    int sizeof_userbuff,
    int desired_number)
int perfstat_memory_total_node(perfstat_id_node_t *name,
    perfstat_memory_total_t *userbuff,
    int sizeof_userbuff,
    int desired_number)
int perfstat_memory_page(perfstat_psize_t *psize,
    perfstat_memory_page_t* userbuff,
    int sizeof_userbuff,
    int desired_number)
int perfstat_memory_page_node(perfstat_id_node_t *name,
    perfstat_psize_t *psize,
    perfstat_memory_page_t* userbuff,
    int sizeof_userbuff,
    int desired_number)
int perfstat_memory_page_wpar(perfstat_id_wpar_t *name,
    perfstat_psize_t *psize,
    perfstat_memory_page_wpar_t* userbuff,
    int sizeof_userbuff,
    int desired_number)
int perfstat_memory_total_wpar(perfstat_id_wpar_t *name,
    perfstat_memory_total_wpar_t* userbuff,
    int sizeof_userbuff,
    int desired_number)
int perfstat_netinterface(perfstat_id_t *name,
    perfstat_netinterface_t *userbuff,
    int sizeof_userbuff,
    int desired_number)
int perfstat_netinterface_node(perfstat_id_node_t *name,
    perfstat_netinterface_t *userbuff,
    int sizeof_userbuff,
    int desired_number)
int perfstat_netinterface_total(perfstat_id_t *name,
    perfstat_netinterface_total_t *userbuff,
    int sizeof_userbuff,
    int desired_number)
int perfstat_netinterface_total_node(perfstat_id_node_t *name,
    perfstat_netinterface_total_t *userbuff,
    int sizeof_userbuff,
    int desired_number)
int perfstat_pagingspace(perfstat_id_t *name,

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        perfstat_pagingspace_t *userbuff,
        int sizeof_userbuff,
        int desired_number)
int perfstat_pagingspace_node(perfstat_id_node_t *name,
        perfstat_pagingspace_t *userbuff,
        int sizeof_userbuff,
        int desired_number)
int perfstat_netbuffer(perfstat_id_t *name,
        perfstat_netbuffer_t *userbuff,
        int sizeof_userbuff,
        int desired_number)
int perfstat_netbuffer_node(perfstat_id_node_t *name,
        perfstat_netbuffer_t *userbuff,
        int sizeof_userbuff,
        int desired_number)
int perfstat_protocol(perfstat_id_t *name,
        perfstat_protocol_t *userbuff,
        int sizeof_userbuff,
        int desired_number)

int perfstat_protocol_node(perfstat_id_node_t *name,
        perfstat_protocol_t *userbuff,
        int sizeof_userbuff,
        int desired_number)

int perfstat_wpar_total(perfstat_id_wpar_t *name,
        perfstat_wpar_total_t* userbuff,
        int sizeof_userbuff,
        int desired_number)
int perfstat_logicalvolume(perfstat_id_t *name,
        perfstat_logicalvolume_t* userbuff,
        int sizeof_userbuff,
        int desired_number)
int perfstat_logicalvolume_node(perfstat_id_node_t *name,
        perfstat_logicalvolume_t* userbuff,
        int sizeof_userbuff,
        int desired_number)
int perfstat_volumegroup(perfstat_id_t *name,
        perfstat_volumegroup_t* userbuff,
        int sizeof_userbuff,
        int desired_number)
int perfstat_volumegroup_node(perfstat_id_node_t *name,
        perfstat_volumegroup_t* userbuff,
        int sizeof_userbuff,
        int desired_number)
int perfstat_partial_reset(char *name,
        u_longlong_t defmask)
int perfstat_config(uint command, void *arg)
int perfstat_bio_stats(perfstat_id_t *name,
        perfstat_bio_dev_t* userbuff,
        int sizeof_userbuff,
        int desired_number);
int perfstat_devname2id(perfstat_id_t *name,
        u_longlong_t *userbuff);
int perfstat_biostat_reset();
void perfstat_reset(void)
int perfstat_partition_config(perfstat_id_t *name,
        perfstat_partition_config_t* userbuff,
        int sizeof_userbuff,
        int desired_number);
int perfstat_cpu_util(perfstat_rawdata_t *cpustats,
        perfstat_cpu_util_t *userbuff,
        int sizeof_userbuff,
        int desired_number);
int perfstat_process(perfstat_id_t *name,
        perfstat_process_t *userbuff,
        int sizeof_userbuff,
        int desired_number);
int perfstat_process_util(perfstat_rawdata_t *data,
        perfstat_process_t *userbuff,
        int sizeof_userbuff,
        int desired_number);
int perfstat_hfistat(perfstat_id_t *name,
        perfstat_hfistat_t *userbuff,
        int sizeof_userbuff,
        int desired_number);
int perfstat_hfistat_window(perfstat_id_window_t *name,
        perfstat_hfistat_window_t *userbuff,
        int sizeof_userbuff,
        int desired_number);
int perfstat_hfistat_window(perfstat_id_window_t *name,
        perfstat_hfistat_window_t *userbuff,

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        int sizeof_userbuff,
        int desired_number
int  perfstat_processor_pool_util(perfstat_rawdata_t *data,
        perfstat_processor_pool_util_t *userbuff,
        int sizeof_userbuff,
        int desired_number);
int  perfstat_netadapter(perfstat_id_t *name,
        perfstat_netadapter_t* userbuff,
        int sizeof_userbuff,
        int desired_number);
int  perfstat_netadapter_node(perfstat_id_node_t *name,
        perfstat_netadapter_t* userbuff,
        int sizeof_userbuff,
        int desired_number);
int  perfstat_fcstat(perfstat_id_t *name
        perfstat_fcstat_t* userbuff,
        int sizeof_userbuff,
        int desired_number);
int  perfstat_fcstat_node(perfstat_id_node_t *name,
        perfstat_fcstat_t* userbuff,
        int sizeof_userbuff,
        int desired_number);
int  perfstat_fcstat_wwpn(perfstat_wwpn_id_t *name,
        perfstat_fcstat_t* userbuff,
        int sizeof_userbuff,
        int desired_number);
int  perfstat_thread(perfstat_id_t * name,
        perfstat_thread_t * userbuff,
        int sizeof_userbuff,
        int desired_number)
int  perfstat_thread_util(perfstat_rawdata_t *data,
        perfstat_thread_t * userbuff,
        int sizeof_userbuff,
        int desired_number)
int  perfstat_cluster_disk(perfstat_id_node_t *name,
        perfstat_disk_data_t* userbuff,
        int sizeof_userbuff, int desired_number);
int  perfstat_virtualdiskadapter(perfstat_id_t *name,
        perfstat_diskadapter_t* userbuff,
        int sizeof_userbuff,
        int desired_number);
int  perfstat_virtualdisktarget(perfstat_id_t *name,
        perfstat_disk_t* userbuff,
        int sizeof_userbuff,
        int desired_number);
int  perfstat_virtual_fcadapter(perfstat_id_t *name,
        perfstat_fcstat_t* userbuff,
        int sizeof_userbuff,
        int desired_number);
int  perfstat_bridgedadapters(perfstat_id_t *name,
        perfstat_netadapter_t * userbuff,
        int sizeof_userbuff, int desired_number);
int  perfstat_ssp(perfstat_id_t *name,
        perfstat_ssp_t * userbuff,
        int sizeof_userbuff, int desired_number, ssp_flag_t flag);
int  perfstat_ssp_ext(perfstat_ssp_id_t* name,
        perfstat_ssp_t* userbuff,
        int sizeof_userbuff,
        int desired_number,
        ssp_flag_t ssp_flag);

```

Related information

[perfstat_cpu subroutine](#)

[Perfstat API Programming](#)

math.h File

Purpose

Defines math subroutines and constants.

Description

The **/usr/include/math.h** header file contains declarations of all the subroutines in the Math library (**libm.a**) and of various subroutines in the Standard C Library (**libc.a**) that return floating-point values.

Among other things, the **math.h** file defines the following macro, which is used as an error-return value:

Item	Description
HUGE_VAL	Specifies the maximum value of a double-precision floating-point number: +infinity on machines that support IEEE-754 and DBL_MAX otherwise.

If you define the **__MATH__** preprocessor variable before including the **math.h** file, the **math.h** file defines macros that make the names of certain math subroutines appear to the compiler as **__xxxx**. The following names are redefined to have the **__** (double underscore) prefix:

Item	Description
exp	sin
asin	log
cos	acos
log10	tan
atan	sqrt
fabs	atan2

These special names instruct the C compiler to generate code that avoids the overhead of the Math library subroutines and issues compatible-mode floating-point subroutines directly. The **__MATH__** variable is defined by default.

If **_XOPEN_SOURCE** variable is defined, the following mathematical constants are defined for your convenience. The values are of type double and are accurate to the precision of this type. That is, the machine value is the mathematical value rounded to double precision.

Item	Description
M_E	Base of natural logarithms (<i>e</i>)
M_LOG2E	Base-2 logarithm of <i>e</i>
M_LOG10E	Base-10 logarithm of <i>e</i>
M_LN2	Natural logarithm of 2
M_LN10	Natural logarithm of 10
M_PI	Pi, the ratio of the circumference of a circle to its diameter
M_PI_2	Value of pi divided by 2
M_PI_4	Value of pi divided by 4
M_1_PI	Value of 1 divided by pi
M_2_PI	Value of 2 divided by pi
M_2_SQRTPI	Value of 2 divided by the positive square root of pi
M_SQRT2	Positive square root of 2
M_SQRT1_2	Positive square root of 1/2

Related reference

[values.h File](#)

mode.h File

Purpose

Defines the interpretation of a file mode.

Description

This version of the operating system supports a 32-bit mode, which is divided into 3 parts. The 16 most significant bits are reserved by the system. The least significant 16 bits define the type of file (**S_IFMT**) and the permission bits. The 12 permission bits can be changed by using the **chmod** or **chacl** subroutine. The file type cannot be changed.

File-Type Bits

The file type determines the operations that can be applied to the file (including implicit operations, such as searching a directory or following a symbolic link). The file type is established when the file is created, and cannot be changed. The following file types are supported:

Item	Description
S_IFDIR	Defines a directory.
S_IFREG	Defines a regular file.
S_IFIFO	Defines a pipe.
S_IFCHR	Defines a character device.
S_IFBLK	Defines a block device.
S_IFLNK	Defines a symbolic link.
S_IFSOCK	Defines a socket.

The **S_IFMT** format mask constant can be used to mask off a file type from the mode.

File-Attribute Bits

The file-attribute bits affect the interpretation of a particular file. With some restrictions, file attributes can be changed by the owner of a file or by a privileged user. The file-attribute bits are:

Item	Description
Attribute	Description

S_ISUID Bit

Item	Description
setuid	When a process runs a regular file that has the S_ISUID bit set, the effective user ID of the process is set to the owner ID of the file. The setuid attribute can be set only by a process on a trusted path. If the file or its access permissions are altered, the S_ISUID bit is cleared.

S_ISGID (S_ENFMT) Bit

Item	Description
setgid	When a process runs a regular file that has both the S_ISGID bit and the S_IXGRP permission bit set, the effective user ID of the process is set to the group ID of the file. The setgid attribute can be set only by a process on a trusted path. If the owner is establishing this attribute, the group of the file must be the effective group ID or in the supplementary group ID of the process. If the file or its access permissions are altered, the S_ISGID bit is cleared.

Item	Description
enforced locking	If a regular file has the S_ISGID bit set and the S_IXGRP permission bit cleared, locks placed on the file with the lockfx subroutine are enforced locks.

S_IFMPX Bit

Item	Description
multiplexed	A character device with the S_IFMPX attribute bit set is a multiplexed device. This attribute is established when the device is created.

S_ISVTX Bit

Item	Description
sticky	If a directory has the S_SVTX bit set, only the owner of the file or the owner of the directory can remove a file from the directory.

S_IXACL Bit

Item	Description
access control list	Any file that has the S_IXACL bit set can have an extended access control list (ACL). Specifying this bit when setting the mode with the chmod command causes the permission bits information in the mode to be ignored. Extended ACL entries are ignored if this bit is cleared. This bit can be implicitly cleared by the chmod subroutine. The /usr/include/sys/acl.h file defines the format of the ACL.

S_ITCB Bit

Item	Description
trusted	Any file that has the S_ITCB bit set is part of the Trusted Computing Base (TCB). Only files in the TCB can acquire privilege on a trusted path. Only files in the TCB are run by the trusted shell (which is invoked with the tsh command). This attribute can be established or cleared only by a process running on the trusted path.

S_IJRNL Bit

Item	Description
journaled	Any file that has the S_IJRNL bit set is defined as a journaled file. Updates to a journaled file are added to a log atomically. All directories and system files have the journaled attribute, which cannot be reset.

S_ICRYPTO Bit

Item	Description
encrypted	Any file that has the S_ICRYPTO bit set is an encrypted file in an Encrypting File System (EFS).

File-Permission Bits

The file-permission bits control which processes can perform operations on a file. This includes read, write, and execute bits for the file owner, the file group, and the default. These bits should not be used to set access-control information; the ACL should be used instead. The file-permission bits are:

Item	Description
S_IRWXU	Permits the owner of a file to read, write, and execute the file.
S_IRUSR	Permits the owner of a file to read the file.
S_IREAD	Permits the owner of a file to read the file.
S_IWUSR	Permits the owner of a file to write to the file.
S_IWRITE	Permits the owner of a file to write to the file.
S_IXUSR	Permits the owner of a file to execute the file or to search the file's directory.
S_IEXEC	Permits the owner of a file to execute the file or to search the file's directory.
S_IRWXG	Permits a file's group to read, write, and execute the file.
S_IRGRP	Permits a file's group to read the file.
S_IWGRP	Permits a file's group to write to the file.
S_IXGRP	Permits a file's group to execute the file or to search the file's directory.
S_IRWXO	Permits others to read, write, and execute the file.
S_IROTH	Permits others to read the file.
S_IWOTH	Permits others to write to the file.
S_IXOTH	Permits others to execute the file or to search the file's directory.

Related reference

[fullstat.h File](#)

[stat.h File](#)

[types.h File](#)

Related information

[chmod command](#)

[tsh command](#)

msg.h File

Purpose

Describes the structures that are used by the subroutines that perform message queueing operations.

Syntax

```
#include <sys/msg.h>
```

Description

The **msg.h** file defines the following symbolic constants, types, and structures:

Types:

```
unsigned int  msgqnum_t;
unsigned int  msglen_t;
```

Symbolic Constants:

Item	Description
MSG_NOERROR	no error if big message */
MSG_R	read permission */

Item	Description
MSG_W	write permission */
MSG_RWAIT	a reader is waiting for a message */
MSG_WWAIT	a writer is waiting to send */
MSG_STAT	Number of bytes to copy for IPC_STAT command
MSGXBUFSIZE	the length of everything but mtext[1] and padding
MSG_SYSSPACE	for rmsgsnd() flags
XMSG	for msgrcv() flags

There is one msg queue id data structure for each q in the system. The **msqid_ds** structure contains the following members:

struct ipc_perm	msg_perm;	operation permission
struct		
void	*__msg_first;	ptr to first message on q
void	*__msg_last;	ptr to last message on q
unsigned int	__msg_cbytes;	current # bytes on q
msgqnum_t	msg_qnum;	# of messages on q
msglen_t	msg_qbytes;	max # of bytes on q
pid_t	msg_lspid;	pid of last msgsnd
pid_t	msg_lrpid;	pid of last msgrcv
time_t	msg_stime;	last msgsnd time
time_t	msg_rtime;	last msgrcv time
time_t	msg_ctime;	last change time
int	__msg_rwait;	wait list for message
receive		
int	__msg_wwait;	wait list for message send
unsigned short	__msg_requevents;	select/poll requested
events		

The **msg_hdr** struct contains the following members:

time_t	mtime;	time message was sent
uid_t	muid;	author's effective uid
gid_t	mgid;	author's effective gid
pid_t	mpid;	author's process id
mtyp_t	mtype;	message type

There is one msg structure for each message that may be in the system. The msg structure contains the following members:

struct msg	*msg_next;	ptr to next message on q
struct msg_hdr	msg_attr;	message attributes
unsigned int	msg_ts;	message text size
char	*msg_spot;	pointer to message text

The structure **msgbuf** is the user message buffer template for **msgsnd** and **msgrcv** system calls and contains the following members:

mtyp_t	mtype;	message type
char	mtext[1];	message text

The **msgxbuf** structure is the user message buffer template for the **msgxrcv** system call and contains the following members:

time_t	mtime;	time message was sent
uid_t	muid;	author's effective uid
gid_t	mgid;	author's effective gid
pid_t	mpid;	author's process id
mtyp_t	mtype;	Message type
char	mtext[1];	Message text

The **msginfo** structure contains the following members:

int	msgmax,	max message size
int	msgmnb,	max # bytes on queue
int	msgmni,	# of message queue identifiers
int	msgmnm;	max # messages per queue identifier

The **time_t**, **size_t**, **off_t**, **mtyp_t**, **pid_t**, and **gid_t** types are as defined in **<sys/types.h>**.

The following are declared as functions:

```
int msgget(key_t, int);
int msgrcv(int, void *, size_t, long, int);
int msgsnd(int, const void *, size_t, int);
int msgctl(int, int, struct msqid_ds *);
int msgxrcv(int, struct msgxbuf*, int, long, int);
```

In addition, all of the symbols from **<sys/ipc.h>** will be defined when this header is included.

Related information

[mmap subroutine](#)

mtio.h File

Purpose

Defines the user include file for the magnetic tape.

Description

The **/usr/include/sys/mtio.h** file is for use with devices that are driven by the magnetic tape driver. Since Linux operating system has an **mtio.h** file, the **sys/mtio.h** file has been added for Linux compatibility. The **sys/mtio.h** file can be used for Linuxsource code compatibility.

Note: For Linux source-code compatibility (that is, source code or definitions based on the Linux operating system), set the following macro before including the **sys/mtio.h** file:

```
#define _LINUX_SOURCE_COMPAT
```

File

/usr/include/sys/mtio.h

param.h File

Purpose

Describes system parameters.

Description

Certain parameters vary for different hardware that uses the operating system. These parameters are defined in the **/usr/include/sys/param.h** file. The most significant parameters are:

Item	Description
NCARGS	Indicates the default number of characters, including terminating null characters, that can be passed using the exec subroutine.
UBSIZE	The unit used by the statistics subroutines for returning block sizes of files.

This file also contains macros for manipulating machine-dependent fields.

Programs that are intended to comply with the POSIX standard should include the **/usr/include/sys/limits.h** file rather than the **param.h** file.

Related reference

[filsys.h File](#)

[statfs.h File](#)

Related information

[exec subroutine](#)

[Kernel tunable parameters](#)

pmapi.h File

Purpose

Describes the structures and constants used by the Performance Monitor APIs subroutines.

Syntax

```
#include <pmapi.h>
```

Description

The **pmapi.h** file defines the following symbolic constants, types, and structures:

Symbolic Constants

Item	Description
MAX_COUNTERS	Maximum number of supported counters
MIN_THRESH_VALUE	Minimum threshold value
MAX_THRESH_VALUE	Maximum threshold value
COUNT_NOTHING	Specifies to not count event

Constants for event filters

Item	Description
PM_VERIFIED	Specifies events that have been verified
PM_UNVERIFIED	Specifies events that have not been verified
PM_CAVEAT	Specifies events that work with caveats
PM_GET_GROUPS	Not a filter; specifies that supported event groups are to be returned by pm_init.

Constants for Processor Idents

Item	Description
PM_CURRENT	Specifies that the PMAPI is to be initialized for the current processor type.
PM_PowerPC®604	Specifies that supported events for the PowerPC®604 are to be returned.
PM_PowerPC®604e	Specifies that supported events for the PowerPC604e are to be returned.
PM_RS64_II	Specifies that supported events for the RS64-II are to be returned.
PM_POWER3	Specifies that supported events for the POWER3 are to be returned.

Item	Description
PM_RS64_III	Specifies that supported events for the RS64-III are to be returned.
PM_POWER3_II	Specifies that supported events for the POWER3-II are to be returned.
PM_POWER4	Specifies that supported events and/or groups for the POWER4 are to be returned.
PM_MPC7450	Specifies that supported events for the MPC7450 are to be returned.
PM_POWER4_II	Specifies that supported events and/or groups for the POWER4-II are to be returned.
PM_POWER5	Specifies that supported events and/or groups for the POWER5 are to be returned.
PM_PowerPC 970	Specifies that supported events and/or groups for the PowerPC 970 are to be returned.
PM_POWER6®	Specifies that supported events and/or groups for the POWER6® are to be returned.
PM_PPowerPC 970MP	Specifies that supported events and/or groups for the PowerPC 970MP are to be returned.
PM_POWER7®	Specifies that supported events and/or groups for the POWER7® are to be returned.
POWER8®	Specifies that supported events and/or groups for the POWER8® are to be returned.
POWER9™	Specifies that supported events and/or groups for the POWER9 are to be returned.
PM_MAXPROCTYPE	Maximum number of processor ids.

Constants for setting mode bits

Item	Description
PM_PROCTREE	Turns process tree counting on
PM_COUNT	Turns counting on immediately
PM_USER	Turns user mode counting on
PM_KERNEL	Turns kernel mode counting on
PM_PROCESS	Creates a process level group

The structure **pm_info_t** contains the following members:

int	maxpmcs	number of available counters
int	*maxevents	number of events for each hw counter
pm_events_t	**list_events	list of available events
int	thresholdmult	threshold multiplier
char	*proc_name	processor name
int	hthresholdmult	upper threshold multiplier

The structure **pm_events_t** contains the following members:

int	event_id	event number
char	status	'v': verified 'u': unverified 'c': caveat
char	threshold	'y': thresholdable 'g': group-only 'G': thresholdable group-only
char	*short_name	mnemonic name

char	*long_name	long name
char	*description	full description

The structure **pm_info2_t** contains the following members:

int	maxpmcs	number of available counters
int	*maxevents	number of events for each hw counter
pm_events2_t	**list_events	list of available events
int	thresholdmult	threshold multiplier
int	hthresholdmult	upper threshold multiplier
int	Hthresholdmult	hyper threshold multiplier
char	*proc_name	processor name
pm_feature_t	proc_feature	processor feature list

The structure **pm_events2_t** contains the following members:

int	event_id	event number
pm_status_t	status	event status
char	*short_name	mnemonic name
char	*long_name	long name
char	*description	full description

The structure **pm_status_t** contains the following members:

unsigned:1	b.unverified	unverified event
unsigned:1	b.verified	verified event
unsigned:1	b.caveat	event verified with some caveat(see description)
unsigned:1	b.group_only	event can only be used within a group
unsigned:1	b.threshold	event can be used with a threshold
unsigned:1	b.shared	event is shared between hardware threads
unsigned:1	b.support_mode	support user, kernel, hypervisor and proctree counting modes applied
unsigned:1	b.overflow	generate an interrupt on overflow
unsigned:1	b.marked	marked event

The structure **pm_feature_t** contains the following members:

unsigned:1	b.hypervisor	hypervisor counting mode is supported
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The structure **pm_groups_info_t** contains the following members:

int	maxgroups	number of available groups
pm_groups_t	*event_groups	list of event groups

The structure **pm_groups_t** contains the following members:

int	group_id	group number
int	*events	events in this group, by ID #
char	*short_name	mnemonic name
char	*long_name	long name
char	*description	full description

The structure **pm_prog_t** contains the following members:

unsigned:6	mode.b.threshold	threshold value
unsigned:1	mode.b.thresh_res	uses upper threshold multiplier if set
unsigned:1	mode.b.thresh_hres	uses hyper threshold multiplier if set
unsigned:1	mode.b.nointerrupt	interrupt counting disable
unsigned:1	mode.b.runlatch	runlatch enable/disable
unsigned:1	mode.b.is_group	is an event group
unsigned:1	mode.b.process	process level group indicator
unsigned:1	mode.b.hypervisor	turns hypervisor mode counting on
unsigned:1	mode.b.kernel	turns kernel mode counting on
unsigned:1	mode.b.user	turns user mode counting on
unsigned:1	mode.b.count	counting state
unsigned:1	mode.b.proctree	turns process tree counting on
unsigned:1	mode.b.shared	turns multiplexing on
int	events[MAX_COUNTERS]	list of counted events

Note: The *mode.b.shared* flag must be set by the user.

The structure **pm_data_t** contains the following members:

pm_ginfo_t	ginfo	group information
long long	accu[MAX_COUNTERS]	accumulated data

The structure **pm_ginfo_t** contains the following members:

int	members;	number of threads in group
unsigned:1	flags.b.process	process level group indicator
unsigned:1	flags.b.consistent	group data consistent with members

The structure **pm_accu_time_t** contains the following members:

timebasestruct_t	accu_timebase	accumulated time base
timebasestruct_t	accu_purr	accumulated PURR time
timebasestruct_t	accu_spurr	accumulated SPURR time

Type for timeslice:

```
typedef    int          pm_events_prog_t[MAX_COUNTERS] array of counted events
```

The structure **pm_prog_mx_t** contains the following members:

unsigned:6	mode.b.threshold	threshold value
unsigned:1	mode.b.thresh_res	uses upper threshold multiplier if set
unsigned:1	mode.b.thresh_hres	uses hyper threshold multiplier if set
unsigned:1	mode.b.runlatch	runlatch enable/disable
unsigned:1	mode.b.is_group	is an event group
unsigned:1	mode.b.process	process level group indicator
unsigned:1	mode.b.hypervisor	turns hypervisor mode counting on
unsigned:1	mode.b.kernel	turns kernel mode counting on
unsigned:1	mode.b.user	turns user mode counting on
unsigned:1	mode.b.count	counting state
unsigned:1	mode.b.proctree	turns process tree counting on
int	slice_duration	duration of each time slice in ms
int	nb_events_prog	number of counted event sets
pm_events_prog_t	*events_set;	array of counted event sets
unsigned:1	mode.b.shared	turns multiplexing on

Note: The *mode.b.shared* flag must be set by the user.

The structure **pm_prog_mm_t** contains the following members:

int	proctree	turns process tree counting on
int	slice_duration	duration of each time slice in ms
int	nb_set_prog	number of counted event sets
pm_prog_t	*prog_set;	array of counted event sets / counting mode

The structure **pm_accu_mx_t** contains the following members:

timebasestruct_t	accu_time	accumulated time
timebasestruct_t	accu_purr	accumulated PURR time
timebasestruct_t	accu_spurr	accumulated SPURR time
long long	accu_data[MAX_COUNTERS]	accumulated data

The structure **pm_data_mx_t** contains the following members:

pm_ginfo_t	ginfo	group information
int	nb_accu_mx	number of data accumulator sets
int	nb_mx_round	number of loops on all the event sets
pm_accu_mx_t	*accu_set	array of data accumulator sets

The structure **pm_wpar_ctx_info_t** contains the following members:

cid_t	cid	WPAR ID
char	name[MAXCORRALNAMELEN + 1]	WPAR name
pm_wp_handle_t	hwpar	WPAR opaque handle (unique identifier)

The profiler_type_t enum contains the following members:

```
P_THREAD = 0
P_THREAD_GROUP
```

```
typedef pm_accu_mx_t pm_accu_t;
```

The `pm_data_time_t` structure contains the following members:

<code>int</code>	<code>nb_accu;</code>	number of data accumulator sets
<code>int</code>	<code>nb_mx_round;</code>	number of loops on all the event sets
<code>timebasestruct_t</code>	<code>total_active_time;</code>	total time the context is active and competing for PMU
<code>timebasestruct_t</code>	<code>total_active_purr;</code>	total PURR time the context is active and competing for PMU
<code>timebasestruct_t</code>	<code>total_active_spurr;</code>	total SPURR time the context is active and competing for PMU
<code>timebasestruct_t</code>	<code>total_profiled_time;</code>	total time the context got the PMU
<code>timebasestruct_t</code>	<code>total_profiled_purr;</code>	total PURR time the context got the PMU
<code>timebasestruct_t</code>	<code>total_profiled_spurr;</code>	total SPURR time the context got the PMU
<code>pm_ginfo_t</code>	<code>ginfo;</code>	group information
<code>pm_accu_t</code>	<code>*accu_set;</code>	array of data accumulator sets

The following are declared as functions:

```
double pm_cycles(void)
void pm_error(char *where, int error)
int pm_get_proctype()

int pm_init(int filter, pm_info_t *pminfo, pm_groups_info_t *pmgroupsinfo)
int pm_initialize(int filter, pm_info2_t *pminfo, pm_groups_info_t *pmgroups, int proctype)

int pm_set_program(pm_prog_t *prog)
int pm_set_program_wp(cid_t cid, pm_prog_t *prog)
int pm_get_program(pm_prog_t *prog)
int pm_get_program_wp(cid_t cid, pm_prog_t *prog)
int pm_start(void)
int pm_tstart(timebasestruct_t *time)
int pm_start_wp(cid_t cid)
int pm_tstart_wp(cid_t cid, timebasestruct_t *time)
int pm_stop(void)
int pm_tstop(timebasestruct_t *time)
int pm_stop_wp(cid_t cid)
int pm_tstop_wp(cid_t cid, timebasestruct_t *time)
int pm_reset_data(void)
int pm_reset_data_wp(cid_t cid)
int pm_get_data(pm_data_t *data)
int pm_get_tdata(pm_data_t *data, timebasestruct_t *time)
int pm_get_Tdata(pm_data_t *data, pm_accu_time_t *time)
int pm_get_data_wp(pm_wp_handle_t wp_handle, pm_data_t *data)
int pm_get_tdata_wp(pm_wp_handle_t wp_handle, pm_data_t *data)
int pm_get_Tdata_wp(pm_wp_handle_t wp_handle, pm_data_t *data)
int pm_get_data_cpu(int cpuid, pm_data_t *data)
int pm_get_tdata_cpu(int cpuid, pm_data_t *data, timebasestruct_t *time)
int pm_get_Tdata_cpu(int cpuid, pm_data_t *data, pm_accu_time_t *time)
int pm_get_data_lcpu(int lcpuid, pm_data_t *data)
int pm_get_tdata_lcpu(int lcpuid, pm_data_t *data, timebasestruct_t *time)
int pm_get_Tdata_lcpu(int lcpuid, pm_data_t *data, pm_accu_time_t *time)
int pm_get_tdata_lcpu_wp(pm_wp_handle_t wp_handle, int lcpuid, pm_data_t *data)
int pm_get_Tdata_lcpu_wp(pm_wp_handle_t wp_handle, int lcpuid, pm_data_t *data, pm_accu_time_t *time)
int pm_get_wplist(const char *name, pm_wpar_ctx_info_t *wp_list, int *size)
int pm_delete_program(void)
int pm_delete_program_wp(cid_t cid, pm_prog_t *prog)

int pm_set_program_mythread(pm_prog_t *prog)
int pm_get_program_mythread(pm_prog_t *prog)
int pm_start_mythread(void)
int pm_tstart_mythread(timebasestruct_t *time)
int pm_stop_mythread(void)
int pm_tstop_mythread(timebasestruct_t *time)
int pm_reset_data_mythread(void)
int pm_get_data_mythread(pm_data_t *data)
int pm_get_tdata_mythread(pm_data_t *data, timebasestruct_t *time)
int pm_get_Tdata_mythread(pm_data_t *data, pm_accu_time_t *time)
int pm_delete_program_mythread(void)

int pm_set_program_thread(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, pm_prog_t *prog)
int pm_get_program_thread(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, pm_prog_t *prog)
int pm_start_thread(pid_t pid, tid_t tid)
int pm_tstart_thread(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, timebasestruct_t *time)
int pm_stop_thread(pid_t pid, tid_t tid)
int pm_tstop_thread(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, timebasestruct_t *time)
int pm_reset_data_thread(pid_t pid, tid_t tid)
int pm_get_data_thread(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, pm_data_t *data)
int pm_get_tdata_thread(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, pm_data_t *data, timebasestruct_t *time)
int pm_get_Tdata_thread(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, pm_data_t *data, pm_accu_time_t *time)
int pm_delete_program_thread(pid_t pid, tid_t tid)

int pm_set_program_mygroup(pm_prog_t *prog)
int pm_get_program_mygroup(pm_prog_t *prog)
int pm_start_mygroup(void)
int pm_tstart_mygroup(timebasestruct_t *time)
int pm_stop_mygroup(void)
int pm_tstop_mygroup(timebasestruct_t *time)
int pm_reset_data_mygroup(void)
int pm_get_data_mygroup(pm_data_t *data)
int pm_get_tdata_mygroup(pm_data_t *data, timebasestruct_t *time)
int pm_get_Tdata_mygroup(pm_data_t *data, pm_accu_time_t *time)
```

```

int    pm_delete_program_mygroup(void)

int    pm_set_program_group(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, pm_prog_t *prog)
int    pm_get_program_group(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, pm_prog_t *prog)
int    pm_start_group(pid_t pid, tid_t tid)
int    pm_tstart_group(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, timebasestruct_t *time)
int    pm_stop_group(pid_t pid, tid_t tid)
int    pm_tstop_group(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, timebasestruct_t *time)
int    pm_reset_data_group(pid_t pid, tid_t tid)
int    pm_get_data_group(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, pm_data_t *data)
int    pm_get_tdata_group(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, pm_data_t *data, timebasestruct_t *time)
int    pm_get_Tdata_group(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, pm_data_t *data, pm_accu_time_t *time)
int    pm_delete_program_group(pid_t pid, tid_t tid)

int    pm_set_program_pthread(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, ptid_t ptid, pm_prog_t *prog)
int    pm_set_program_pgroup(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, ptid_t ptid, pm_prog_t *prog)
int    pm_get_program_pthread(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, ptid_t ptid, pm_prog_t *prog)
int    pm_get_program_pgroup(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, ptid_t ptid, pm_prog_t *prog)
int    pm_start_pthread(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, ptid_t ptid)
int    pm_tstart_pthread(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, ptid_t ptid, timebasestruct_t *time)
int    pm_start_pgroup(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, ptid_t ptid)
int    pm_tstart_pgroup(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, ptid_t ptid, timebasestruct_t *time)
int    pm_stop_pthread(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, ptid_t ptid)
int    pm_tstop_pthread(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, ptid_t ptid, timebasestruct_t *time)
int    pm_stop_pgroup(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, ptid_t ptid)
int    pm_tstop_pgroup(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, ptid_t ptid, timebasestruct_t *time)
int    pm_reset_data_pthread(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, ptid_t ptid)
int    pm_reset_data_pgroup(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, ptid_t ptid)
int    pm_get_data_pthread(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, ptid_t ptid, pm_data_t *data)
int    pm_get_tdata_pthread(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, ptid_t ptid, pm_data_t *data,
    timebasestruct_t *time)
int    pm_get_Tdata_pthread(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, ptid_t ptid, pm_data_t *data,
    pm_accu_time_t *time)
int    pm_get_data_pgroup(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, ptid_t ptid, pm_data_t *data)
int    pm_get_tdata_pgroup(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, ptid_t ptid, pm_data_t *data,
    timebasestruct_t *time)
int    pm_get_Tdata_pgroup(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, ptid_t ptid, pm_data_t *data,
    pm_accu_time_t *time)
int    pm_delete_program_pthread(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, ptid_t ptid)
int    pm_delete_program_pgroup(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, ptid_t ptid)

int    pm_set_program_mx(pm_prog_mx_t *prog)
int    pm_get_program_mx(pm_prog_mx_t *prog)
int    pm_set_program_mm(pm_prog_mm_t *prog)
int    pm_set_program_wp_mm(cid_t cid, pm_prog_mm_t *prog)
int    pm_get_program_mm(pm_prog_mm_t *prog)
int    pm_get_program_wp_mm(cid_t cid, pm_prog_mm_t *prog)
int    pm_get_data_mx(pm_data_mx_t *data)
int    pm_get_tdata_mx(pm_data_mx_t *data, timebasestruct_t *time)
int    pm_get_data_cpu_mx(int cpuid, pm_data_mx_t *data)
int    pm_get_tdata_cpu_mx(int cpuid, pm_data_mx_t *data, timebasestruct_t *time)
int    pm_get_data_lcpu_mx(int lcpuid, pm_data_mx_t *data)
int    pm_get_tdata_lcpu_mx(int lcpuid, pm_data_mx_t *data, timebasestruct_t *time)
int    pm_get_data_wp_mx(pm_wp_handle_t wp_handle, pm_data_mx_t *data)
int    pm_get_tdata_wp_mx(pm_wp_handle_t wp_handle, pm_data_mx_t *data, timebasestruct_t *time)
int    pm_get_data_lcpu_wp_mx(pm_wp_handle_t wp_handle, int lcpuid, pm_data_mx_t *data)
int    pm_get_tdata_lcpu_wp_mx(pm_wp_handle_t wp_handle,
    int lcpuid, pm_data_mx_t *data, timebasestruct_t *time)

int    pm_set_program_mythread_mx(pm_prog_mx_t *prog)
int    pm_get_program_mythread_mx(pm_prog_mx_t *prog)
int    pm_set_program_mythread_mm(pm_prog_mm_t *prog)
int    pm_get_program_mythread_mm(pm_prog_mm_t *prog)
int    pm_get_data_mythread_mx(pm_data_mx_t *data)
int    pm_get_tdata_mythread_mx(pm_data_mx_t *data, timebasestruct_t *time)

int    pm_set_program_thread_mx(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, pm_prog_mx_t *prog)
int    pm_get_program_thread_mx(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, pm_prog_mx_t *prog)
int    pm_set_program_thread_mm(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, pm_prog_mm_t *prog)
int    pm_get_program_thread_mm(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, pm_prog_mm_t *prog)
int    pm_get_data_thread_mx(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, pm_data_mx_t *data)
int    pm_get_tdata_thread_mx(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, pm_data_mx_t *data,
    timebasestruct_t *time)

int    pm_set_program_mygroup_mx(pm_prog_mx_t *prog)
int    pm_get_program_mygroup_mx(pm_prog_mx_t *prog)
int    pm_set_program_mygroup_mm(pm_prog_mm_t *prog)
int    pm_get_program_mygroup_mm(pm_prog_mm_t *prog)
int    pm_get_data_mygroup_mx(pm_data_mx_t *data)
int    pm_get_tdata_mygroup_mx(pm_data_mx_t *data, timebasestruct_t *time)

int    pm_set_program_group_mx(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, pm_prog_mx_t *prog)
int    pm_get_program_group_mx(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, pm_prog_mx_t *prog)
int    pm_set_program_group_mm(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, pm_prog_mm_t *prog)
int    pm_get_program_group_mm(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, pm_prog_mm_t *prog)
int    pm_get_data_group_mx(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, pm_data_mx_t *data)
int    pm_get_tdata_group_mx(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, pm_data_mx_t *data,
    timebasestruct_t *time)

int    pm_set_program_pthread_mx(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, ptid_t ptid, pm_prog_mx_t *prog)
int    pm_set_program_pgroup_mx(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, ptid_t ptid, pm_prog_mx_t *prog)
int    pm_get_program_pthread_mx(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, ptid_t ptid, pm_prog_mx_t *prog)
int    pm_get_program_pgroup_mx(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, ptid_t ptid, pm_prog_mx_t *prog)
int    pm_set_program_pthread_mm(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, ptid_t ptid, pm_prog_mm_t *prog)

```

```

int    pm_set_program_pgroup_mm(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, ptid_t ptid, pm_prog_mm_t *prog)
int    pm_get_program_pthread_mm(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, ptid_t ptid, pm_prog_mm_t *prog)
int    pm_get_program_pgroup_mm(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, ptid_t ptid, pm_prog_mm_t *prog)
int    pm_get_data_pthread_mx(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, ptid_t ptid, pm_data_mx_t *data)
int    pm_get_data_pthread_mx(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, ptid_t ptid,
    pm_data_mx_t *data, timebasestruct_t *time)
int    pm_get_data_pgroup_mx(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, ptid_t ptid,
    pm_data_mx_t *data)
int    pm_get_tdata_pgroup_mx(pid_t pid, tid_t tid, ptid_t ptid,
    pm_data_mx_t *data, timebasestruct_t *time)
int    pm_get_data_generic ( pid_t pid, tid_t tid, ptid_t ptid,
    profiler_type_t prof_type, pm_data_time_t *data)

```

Related information

[pm_cycles subroutine](#)

poll.h File

Purpose

Defines the structures and flags used by the **poll** subroutine.

Description

The **/usr/include/sys/poll.h** file defines several structures used by the **poll** subroutine. An array of **pollfd** or **pollmsg** structures or a **pollist** structure specify the file descriptors or pointers and message queues for which the **poll** subroutine checks the I/O status. This file also defines the returned events flags, error returned events flags, device-type flags and input flags used in polling operations.

During a polling operation on both file descriptors and message queues, the *ListPointer* parameter points to a **pollist** structure, which can specify either file descriptors or pointers and message queues. The program must define the **pollist** structure in the following form:

```

struct pollist {
    struct pollfd fdlist[f];
    struct pollmsg msglist[m];
};

```

The **pollfd** structure and the **pollmsg** structure in the **pollist** structure perform the following functions:

Item	Description
pollfd[f]	This structure defines an array of file descriptors or file pointers. The <i>f</i> variable specifies the number of elements in the array.
pollmsg[m]	This structure defines an array of message queue identifiers. The <i>m</i> variable specifies the number of elements in the array.

A **POLLIST** macro is also defined in the **poll.h** file to define the **pollist** structure. The format of the macro is:

```
POLLIST(f, m) Declarator . . . ;
```

The *Declarator* parameter is the name of the variable that is declared as having this type.

The **pollfd** and **pollmsg** structures defined in the **poll.h** file contain the following fields:

Item	Description
fd	Specifies a valid file descriptor or file pointer to the poll subroutine. If the value of this field is negative, this element is skipped.
msgid	Specifies a valid message queue ID to the poll subroutine. If the value of this field is negative, this element is skipped.

Item	Description
events	<p>The events being tracked. This is any combination of the following flags:</p> <p>POLLIN Input is present on the file or message queue.</p> <p>POLLOUT The file or message queue is capable of accepting output.</p> <p>POLLPRI An exceptional condition is present on the file or message queue.</p>
revents	<p>Returned events. This field specifies the events that have occurred. This can be any combination of the events requested by the events field. This field can also contain one of the following flags:</p> <p>POLLNVAL The value specified by the fd field or the msgid field is neither a valid file descriptor or pointer nor the identifier of an accessible message queue.</p> <p>POLLERR An error condition arose on the specified file or message queue.</p>

Related information

[fp_poll subroutine](#)

[poll subroutine](#)

[Input and Output Handling Programmer's Overview](#)

pollset.h File

Purpose

Defines structures and flags that are used by pollset subroutines.

Description

The `/usr/include/sys/pollset.h` file defines several structures that are used by the pollset subroutines. The pollset_poll subroutine or the pollset_poll_ext subroutine checks the I/O status of the file descriptors specified by an array of poll_ctl or poll_ctl_ext structures. The following table lists the commands that are defined in the `/usr/include/sys/pollset.h` file. These commands can be used with the pollset_poll subroutine or the pollset_poll_ext subroutine.

Table 36. Commands that can be used with the pollset_ctl or pollset_ctl_ext subroutine that are defined in the pollset.h File.	
Command	Description
PS_ADD	Add a valid open file descriptor to the set of pollset file descriptors.
PS_MOD	If the file descriptor is already present in the pollset file descriptors, bits from the events field that is defined in the poll_ctl structure or the pollfd structure, are added to the events that are monitored by the kernel and user-specified data is updated with a new value. If the file descriptor is not present in the pollset file descriptors, the file descriptor is added to the pollset file descriptors.

Table 36. Commands that can be used with the pollset_ctl or pollset_ctl_ext subroutine that are defined in the pollset.h File. (continued)

Command	Description
PS_DELETE	Remove a file descriptor from the set of pollset file descriptors.
PS_REPLACE	If the file descriptor is already present in the set of pollset file descriptors, replace the value in the events field and user-specified data of the pollset file descriptors set, with a new value specified in the poll_ctl structure.

The poll_ctl structure or the poll_ctl_ext structure is used to perform operations on the pollset structure, and the pollset structure is passed as an input to the pollset_ctl subroutine or the pollset_ctl_ext subroutine. Two versions of the poll_ctl structure or the poll_ctl_ext structure are compatible with the pollset_ctl subroutine or the pollset_ctl_ext subroutine.

The following table lists fields of the poll_ctl structure or the poll_ctl_ext structure that is defined in the pollset.h file:

Table 37. Fields of the poll_ctl structure or the poll_ctl_ext structure

Item	Description
version	<p>The version field has the following values:</p> <p>version 0 Original format of the version field that does not support extended fields such as the data field.</p> <p>version 1 Extended format of the version field that supports user-specified data.</p>
command	Specifies the pollset command that is used to read data from the structure and to determine how to modify the pollset file descriptor.

Table 37. Fields of the poll_ctl structure or the poll_ctl_ext structure (continued)	
Item	Description
events	<p>Indicates events that are being tracked by the kernel. The events field can also contain one of the following flags:</p> <p>POLLIN Input to the file descriptor that is present in the file or in the message queue of the device that is sending data to another device.</p> <p>POLLOUT The files or the message queue can accept output from a device.</p> <p>POLLPRI An exceptional condition such as out-of-band data is present in the file or in the message queue of the device that is sending data to another device.</p> <p>POLLET Notifications from a device must be delivered to the device that has created the pollset structure in an edge-triggered manner, that is, the notifications must be delivered as long as the event is being tracked.</p>

The following macros can be used to populate the poll_ctl structure or the poll_ctl_ext structure, or these structures can be populated directly.

Table 38. Macros to initialize the poll_ctl or poll_ctl_ext structure	
Item	Description
POLL_CTL_INIT(struct poll_ctl *, command, events, fd)	Initializes the poll_ctl structure.
POLL_CTL_EXT_INIT_V1(struct poll_ctl_ext *, command, events, fd, data)	Initializes the poll_ctl_ext structure with an extended format that supports user-specified data.

pthread.h File

Purpose

Lists threads.

Syntax

```
#include <pthread.h>
```

Description

The **pthread.h** header defines the following symbols:

```
> | PTHREAD_CANCEL_ASYNCHRONOUS PTHREAD_CANCEL_ENABLE PTHREAD_CANCEL_DEFERRED
   | PTHREAD_CANCEL_DISABLE PTHREAD_CANCELED PTHREAD_COND_INITIALIZER
   | PTHREAD_CREATE_DETACHED PTHREAD_CREATE_JOINABLE PTHREAD_EXPLICIT_SCHED
   | PTHREAD_INHERIT_SCHED PTHREAD_MUTEX_DEFAULT PTHREAD_MUTEX_ERRORCHECK
```



```

PTHREAD_MUTEX_NORMAL PTHREAD_MUTEX_INITIALIZER PTHREAD_MUTEX_RECURSIVE
PTHREAD_MUTEX_ROBUST PTHREAD_MUTEX_STALLED
PTHREAD_ONCE_INIT PTHREAD_PRIO_INHERIT PTHREAD_PRIO_NONE
PTHREAD_PRIO_PROTECT PTHREAD_PROCESS_SHARED PTHREAD_PROCESS_PRIVATE
PTHREAD_RWLOCK_INITIALIZER PTHREAD_SCOPE_PROCESS PTHREAD_SCOPE_SYSTEM

```

The **pthread_attr_t**, **pthread_cond_t**, **pthread_condattr_t**, **pthread_key_t**, **pthread_mutex_t**, **pthread_mutexattr_t**, **pthread_once_t**, **pthread_rwlock_t**, **pthread_rwlockattr_t**, and **pthread_t** types are defined as described in **sys/types.h**.

The following are declared as functions and may also be declared as macros. Function prototypes must be provided for use with an ISO C compiler.

>|

```

int pthread_attr_destroy (pthread_attr_t *);
int pthread_attr_getdetachstate (const pthread_attr_t *, int *);
int pthread_attr_getguardsize (const pthread_attr_t *, size_t *);
int pthread_attr_getinheritsched (const pthread_attr_t *, int *);
int pthread_attr_getschedparam (const pthread_attr_t *, struct sched_param*);
int pthread_attr_getschedpolicy (const pthread_attr_t *, int *);
int pthread_attr_getscope (const pthread_attr_t *, int *);
int pthread_attr_getstackaddr (const pthread_attr_t *, void **);
int pthread_attr_getstacksize (const pthread_attr_t *, size_t *);
int pthread_attr_init (pthread_attr_t *);
int pthread_attr_setdetachstate (pthread_attr_t *, int);
int pthread_attr_setguardsize (pthread_attr_t *, size_t);
int pthread_attr_setinheritsched (pthread_attr_t *, int);
int pthread_attr_setschedparam (pthread_attr_t *, const struct sched_param *);
int pthread_attr_setschedpolicy (pthread_attr_t *, int);
int pthread_attr_setscope (pthread_attr_t *, int);
int pthread_attr_setstackaddr (pthread_attr_t *, void *);
int pthread_attr_setstacksize (pthread_attr_t *, size_t);
int pthread_cancel(pthread_t);
void pthread_cleanup_push (void (*)(void*), void *);
void pthread_cleanup_pop (int);
int pthread_cond_broadcast (pthread_cond_t *);
int pthread_cond_destroy (pthread_cond_t *);
int pthread_cond_init (pthread_cond_t *, const pthread_condattr_t *);
int pthread_cond_signal (pthread_cond_t *);
int pthread_cond_timedwait (pthread_cond_t *, pthread_mutex_t *, const struct timespec *);
int pthread_cond_wait (pthread_cond_t *);
int pthread_condattr_destroy (pthread_condattr_t *);
int pthread_condattr_getpshared (const pthread_condattr_t *, int *);
int pthread_condattr_init (pthread_condattr_t *);
int pthread_condattr_setpshared (pthread_condattr_t *, int);
int pthread_create (pthread_t *, const pthread_attr_t *, void (*)(void*), void *);
int pthread_detach (pthread_t);
int pthread_equal (pthread_t, pthread_t);
void pthread_exit (void *);
int pthread_getconcurrency (void);
int pthread_getschedparam (pthread_t, int *, struct sched_param *);
void *pthread_getspecific (pthread_key_t);
int pthread_join (pthread_t, void **);
int pthread_key_create (pthread_key_t *, void (*)(void*));
int pthread_key_delete (pthread_key_t);
int pthread_mutex_destroy (pthread_mutex_t *);
int pthread_mutex_getprioceiling (const pthread_mutex_t *, int *);
int pthread_mutex_init (pthread_mutex_t *, const pthread_mutexattr_t *);
int pthread_mutex_lock (pthread_mutex_t *);
int pthread_mutex_setprioceiling (pthread_mutex_t *, int, int *);
int pthread_mutex_trylock (pthread_mutex_t *);
int pthread_mutex_unlock (pthread_mutex_t *);
int pthread_mutex_consistent (pthread_mutex_t *);
int pthread_mutexattr_destroy (pthread_mutexattr_t *);
int pthread_mutexattr_getprioceiling (const pthread_mutexattr_t *, int *);
int pthread_mutexattr_getprotocol (const pthread_mutexattr_t *, int *);
int pthread_mutexattr_getpshared (const pthread_mutexattr_t *, int *);
int pthread_mutexattr_getrobust (const pthread_mutexattr_t *, int *);
int pthread_mutexattr_gettype (pthread_mutexattr_t *, int *);
int pthread_mutexattr_init (pthread_mutexattr_t *);
int pthread_mutexattr_setprioceiling (pthread_mutexattr_t *, int);
int pthread_mutexattr_setprotocol (pthread_mutexattr_t *, int);
int pthread_mutexattr_setpshared (pthread_mutexattr_t *, int);
int pthread_mutexattr_setrobust (pthread_mutexattr_t *, int);
int pthread_mutexattr_settype (pthread_mutexattr_t *, int);
int pthread_once (pthread_once_t *, void (*)(void));
int pthread_rwlock_destroy (pthread_rwlock_t *);

```

```

int pthread_rwlock_init (pthread_rwlock_t *, const pthread_rwlockattr_t *);
int pthread_rwlock_rdlock(pthread_rwlock_t *);
int pthread_rwlock_tryrdlock(pthread_rwlock_t *);
int pthread_rwlock_trywrlock(pthread_rwlock_t *);
int pthread_rwlock_unlock(pthread_rwlock_t *);
int pthread_rwlock_wrlock(pthread_rwlock_t *);
int pthread_rwlockattr_destroy(pthread_rwlockattr_t *);
int pthread_rwlockattr_getpshared(const pthread_rwlockattr_t *, int *);
int pthread_rwlockattr_init(pthread_rwlockattr_t *);
int pthread_rwlockattr_setpshared(pthread_rwlockattr_t *, int);
pthread_t pthread_self(void);
int pthread_setcancelstate(int, int *);
int pthread_setcanceltype(int, int *);
int pthread_setconcurrency(int);
int pthread_setschedparam(pthread_t, int *,
const struct sched_param *);
int pthread_setspecific(pthread_key_t, const void *);
void pthread_testcancel(void);

```



Inclusion of the **pthread.h** header will make visible symbols defined in the headers **sched.h** and **time.h**.

pwd.h File

Purpose

Describes password structure.

Syntax

#include <pwd.h>

Description

The **pwd.h** header provides a definition for struct passwd, which includes at least the following members:

char	*pw_name	user's login name
uid_t	pw_uid	numerical user ID
gid_t	pw_gid	numerical group ID
char	*pw_dir	initial working directory
char	*pw_shell	program to use as shell

The **gid_t** and **uid_t** types are defined as described in **sys/types.h**.

The following are declared as functions and may also be defined as macros. Function prototypes must be provided for use with an ISO C compiler.

struct	passwd	*getpwuid(uid_t);
int		getpwnam_r(const char *, struct passwd *, char *, size_t, struct passwd **);
int		getpwuid_r(uid_t, struct passwd *, char *, size_t, struct passwd **);
void		endpwent(void);
struct	passwd	*getpwent(void);
void		setpwent(void);

Related reference

[types.h File](#)

Related information

[endpwent, getpwnam, getpwuid subroutine](#)

pwdpolicy.h File

Purpose

Defines the types and manifest constants required to support the `passwdpolicy()` function.

Description

The format of the `pwdpolicy.h` header file shall be similar to the password construction rule attributes as stored in the `/etc/security/user` file, with the exception that named policies do not include the `histsize` and `histexpire` attributes. Each file is a sequence of zero or more stanzas with the named policy being the stanza name. Each stanza contains one or more attributes describing the password rules which must be satisfied for a password to be accepted.

Password policy parameters are in the following table.

Item	Description
<code>pwp_version</code>	Specifies the version of the <code>passwd_policy_t</code> structure. The current structure version number is <code>PWP_VERSION_1</code> . Future extensions to this structure will use a different version number.
<code>pwp_minage</code>	The number of seconds as a <code>time32_t</code> between the time a password is modified and the time the password may again be modified. This field is referenced if <code>PWP_TOO_SOON</code> is set in checks.
<code>pwp_maxage</code>	The number of seconds as a <code>time32_t</code> after a password has been modified when it is considered to be expired. This field is referenced if <code>PWP_EXPIRED</code> is set in checks.
<code>pwp_maxexpired</code>	The number of seconds, as a <code>time32_t</code> , after a password has expired when it may not longer be modified. A value of 0 indicates that an expired password may not be changed. A value of -1 indicates that an expired password may be changed after any length of time. This field is referenced if <code>PWP_EXPIRED</code> is set in checks.
<code>pwp_minalpha</code>	The minimum number of characters in the password which must be alphabetic characters, as determined by invoking the <code>isalpha()</code> macro. A value less than or equal to 0 disables this test. This field is referenced if <code>PWP_TOO_FEW_ALPHA</code> is set in checks.
<code>pwp_minother</code>	The minimum number of characters in the password which may not be alphabetic characters, as determined by invoking the <code>isalpha()</code> macro. A value less than or equal to 0 disables this test. This field is referenced if <code>PWP_TOO_FEW_OTHER</code> is set in checks.
<code>pwp_minlen</code>	The minimum total number of characters in the password. A value less than or equal to 0 disables this test. This field is referenced if <code>PWP_TOO_SHORT</code> is set in checks.
<code>pwp_maxrepeats</code>	The maximum number of times an individual character may appear in the password. A value less than or equal to 0 disables this test. This field is referenced if <code>PWP_TOO_MANY_REPEATS</code> is set in checks.
<code>pwp_mindiff</code>	The minimum number of characters which must be changed between the old password and the new password. A value less than or equal to 0 disables this test. This field is referenced if <code>PWP_TOO_MANY_SAME</code> is set in checks.

Example

```
#include <sys/types.h>
/* Name types */
#define PWP_USERNAME 1
#define PWP_SYSTEMPOLICY 2
#define PWP_LOCALPOLICY 3 /* Test flag values */
#define PWP_TOO_SOON 0x0001
#define PWP_EXPIRED 0x0002
#define PWP_TOO_FEW_ALPHA 0x0004
#define PWP_TOO_FEW_OTHER 0x0008
#define PWP_TOO_SHORT 0x0010
#define PWP_TOO_MANY_REPEATS 0x0020
#define PWP_TOO_MANY_SAME 0x0040
#define PWP_IN_DICTIONARY 0x0080
```

```

#define PWP_REUSED_PW 0x0100
#define PWP_REUSED_T00_SOON 0x0200
#define PWP_FAILED_OTHER 0x0400
/* Policy structure version number */
#define PWP_VERSION_1 1
/* Policy structure definition */
typedef struct {
    int pwp_version;
    time32_t pwp_minage;
    time32_t pwp_maxage;
    time32_t pwp_maxexpired;
    int pwp_minalpha;
    int pwp_minother;
    int pwp_minlen;
    int pwp_maxrepeats;
    int pwp_mindiff;
} passwd_policy_t;

```

The maxage, minage, maxexpired, maxrepeats, mindiff, minalpha, minother, and minlen attributes are integers. The dictionlist and pwdchecks attributes are comma-separated lists of filenames. For more information on valid values for attributes, please see [/etc/security/user](#).

Permissions

Only the root user should have write (w) access.

Location

/usr/include/pwdpolicy.h

Related reference

[passwd_policy File](#)

[user File](#)

sem.h File

Purpose

Describes the structures that are used by subroutines that perform semaphore operations.

Description

The **/usr/include/sys/sem.h** file defines the structures that are used by the **semop** subroutine and the **semctl** subroutine to perform various semaphore operations.

The **sem** structure stores the values that the *Commands* parameter of the **semctl** subroutine gets and sets. This structure contains the following fields:

Item	Description
semval	Specifies the operation permission structure of a semaphore. The data type of this field is unsigned short.
sempid	Specifies the last process that performed a semop subroutine. The data type of this field is pid_t.
semncnt	Specifies the number of processes awaiting semval > cval. The data type of this field is unsigned short.
semzcnt	Specifies the number of processes awaiting semval = 0. The data type of this field is unsigned short.

The **sembuf** structure stores semaphore information used by the **semop** subroutine. This structure contains the following fields:

sem_num

Specifies a semaphore on which to perform some semaphore operation. The data type of this field is unsigned short.

sem_op

Specifies a semaphore operation to be performed on the semaphore specified by the **sem_num** field and the *SemaphoreID* parameter of the **semop** subroutine. This value can be a positive integer, a negative integer, or 0:

i

If the current process has write permission, the positive integer value of this field is added to the value of the **semval** field of the semaphore.

-i

If the current process has write permission, a negative integer value in this field causes one of the following actions:

If the **semval** field is greater than or equal to the absolute value of the **sem_op** field, the absolute value of the **sem_op** field is subtracted from the value of the **semval** field.

If the **semval** field is less than the absolute value of the **sem_op** field and the **IPC_NOWAIT** flag is set, the **semop** subroutine returns a value of -1 and sets the **errno** global variable to **EAGAIN**.

If the value of the **semval** field is less than the absolute value of the **sem_op** field and the **IPC_NOWAIT** flag is not set, the **semop** subroutine increments the **semncnt** field associated with the specified semaphore and suspends execution of the calling process until one of the following conditions is met:

- The value of the **semval** field becomes greater than or equal to the absolute value of the **sem_op** field. When this occurs, the value of the **semncnt** field associated with the specified semaphore is decremented, the absolute value of the **sem_op** field is subtracted from **semval** value and, if the **SEM_UNDO** flag is set in the **sem_flg** field, the absolute value of the **sem_op** field is added to the *Semadj* value of the calling process for the specified semaphore.
- The semaphore specified by the *SemaphoreID* parameter for which the calling process is awaiting action is removed from the system (see the **semctl** subroutine). When this occurs, the **errno** global variable is set equal to **EIDRM**, and a value of -1 is returned.
- The calling process receives a signal that is to be caught. When this occurs, the value of the **semncnt** field associated with the specified semaphore is decremented, and the calling process resumes execution in the manner prescribed in the **sigaction** subroutine.

0

If the current process has read permission, a value of 0 in this field causes one of the following actions:

- If the **semval** field is 0, the **semop** subroutine returns a value of 0.
- If the **semval** field is not equal to 0 and the **IPC_NOWAIT** flag is set, the **semop** subroutine returns a value of -1 and sets the **errno** global variable to **EAGAIN**.
- If **semval** is not equal to 0 and the **IPC_NOWAIT** flag is not set, the **semop** subroutine increments the **semzcnt** field associated with the specified semaphore and suspends execution of the calling process until one of the following conditions is met:
 - The value of the **semval** field becomes 0, at which time the value of the **semzcnt** field associated with the specified semaphore is decremented.
 - The semaphore specified by the *SemaphoreID* parameter for which the calling process is awaiting action is removed from the system. When this occurs, the **errno** global variable is set equal to **EIDRM**, and a value of -1 is returned.
 - The calling process receives a signal that is to be caught. When this occurs, the value of the **semzcnt** field associated with the specified semaphore is decremented, and the calling process resumes execution in the manner prescribed in the **sigaction** subroutine.

The data type of the **sem_op** field is short.

sem_flg

If the value of this field is not 0 for an operation, the value is constructed by logically ORing one or more of the following values:

SEM_UNDO

Specifies whether to modify the *Semadj* values of the calling process.

If this value is set for an operation and the value of the *sem_op* field is a positive integer, the value of the *sem_op* field is subtracted from the *Semadj* value of the calling process.

If this value is set for an operation and the value of the *sem_op* field is a negative integer, the absolute value of the *sem_op* field is added to the *Semadj* value of the calling process. The **exit** subroutine adds the *Semadj* value to the value of the *semval* field of the semaphore when the process terminates.

SEM_ORDER

Specifies whether to perform atomically or individually the operations specified by the *SemaphoreOperations* array of the **semop** subroutine. (This flag is valid only when included in the *SemaphoreOperations*[0].*sem_flg* parameter, the first operation in the *SemaphoreOperations* array.)

If the **SEM_ORDER** flag is not set (the default), the specified operations are performed atomically. That is, none of the *semval* values in the array are modified until all of the semaphore operations are completed. If the calling process must wait until some *semval* requirement is met, the **semop** subroutine does so before performing any of the operations. If any semaphore operation would cause an error to occur, none of the operations are performed.

If the **SEM_ORDER** flag is set, the operations are performed individually in the order that they appear in the array, regardless of whether any of the operations require the process to wait. If an operation encounters an error condition, the **semop** subroutine sets the **SEM_ERR** flag in the *sem_flg* field of the failing operation; neither the failing operation nor the following operations in the array are performed.

IPC_NOWAIT

Specifies whether to wait or to return immediately when the *semval* of a semaphore is not a certain value.

The data type of the *sem_flg* field is short.

The **semid_ds** structure stores semaphore status information used by the **semctl** subroutine and pointed to by the *Buffer* parameter. This structure contains the following fields:

Item	Description
<i>sem_perm</i>	Specifies the operation permission structure of a semaphore. The data type of this field is struct ipc_perm .
<i>sem_nsems</i>	Specifies the number of semaphores in the set. The data type of this field is unsigned short.
<i>sem_otime</i>	Specifies the time at which a semop subroutine was last performed. The data type of this field is time_t .
<i>sem_ctime</i>	Specifies the time at which this structure was last changed with a semctl subroutine. The data type of this field is time_t .

Related information

[atexit subroutine](#)

[sigaction subroutine](#)

sgtty.h File

Purpose

Provides the terminal interface for the Berkeley line discipline.

Description

The **sgtty.h** file defines the structures used by ioctl subroutines that apply to terminal files. The structures, definitions, and values in this file are provided for compatibility with the Berkeley user interface for asynchronous communication. Window and terminal size operations use the **winsize** structure, which is defined in the **ioctl.h** file. The **winsize** structure and the ioctl functions that use it are described in [tty Subsystem Overview](#) in *General Programming Concepts: Writing and Debugging Programs*.

Note: Version 4 supports the Berkeley line discipline for compatibility with older applications. However, it is strongly recommended to use the POSIX compliant line discipline, which interface is described in the [termios.h](#) file.

Basic sgtty.h Modes

Basic ioctl functions use the **sgttyb** structure defined in the **sgtty.h** file. This structure contains the following fields:

sg_ispeed

Specifies the input speed of the device. For any particular hardware, impossible speed changes are ignored. Symbolic values in the table are as defined in the **sgtty.h** file.

B0

Hangs up. The zero baud rate is used to hang up the connection. If B0 is specified, the 'data terminal ready' signal is dropped. As a result, the line is usually disconnected.

B50

50 baud.

B75

75 baud.

B110

110 baud.

B134

134.5 baud.

B150

150 baud.

B200

200 baud.

B300

300 baud.

B600

600 baud.

B1200

1200 baud.

B1800

1800 baud.

B2400

2400 baud.

B4800

4800 baud.

B9600

9600 baud.

EXTA

External A.

EXTB

External B.

sg_ospeed

Specifies the output speed of the device. Refer to the description of the `sg_ispeed` field. The `sg_ospeed` field has the same values as the `sg_ispeed` field.

sg_erase

Specifies the erase character. (The default is Backspace.)

sg_kill

Specifies the kill character. (The default is Ctrl-U.)

sg_flags

Specifies how the system treats output. The initial output-control value is all bits clear. The possible output modes are:

ALLDELAY

Delays algorithm selection.

BSDELAY

Selects backspace delays. Backspace delays are currently ignored. Possible values are BS0 or BS1.

VTDELAY

Selects form-feed and vertical-tab delays:

FF0

Specifies no delay.

FF1

Specifies one delay of approximately 2 seconds.

CRDELAY

Selects carriage-return delays:

CR0

Specifies no delay.

CR1

Specifies one delay. The delay lasts approximately 0.08 seconds.

CR2

Specifies one delay. The delay lasts approximately 0.16 seconds.

CR3

Specifies one delay. The delay pads lines to be at least 9 characters at 9600 baud.

TBDELAY

Selects tab delays:

TAB0

Specifies no delay.

TAB1

Specifies one delay. The delay is dependent on the amount of movement.

TAB2

Specifies one delay. The delay lasts about 0.10 seconds.

XTABS

Specifies that tabs are to be replaced by the appropriate number of spaces on output.

NLDELAY

Selects the new-line character delays. This is a mask to use before comparing to NL0 and NL1.

NLO

Specifies no delay.

NL1

Specifies one delay. The delay is dependent on the current column.

NL2

Specifies one delay. The delay lasts about 0.10 seconds.

The delay bits specify how long transmission stops to allow for mechanical or other movement when certain characters are sent to the terminal. The actual delays depend on line speed and system load.

EVENP

Allows even parity on input.

The **EVENP** and **ODDP** flags control both parity checking on input and parity generation on output in COOKED and CBREAK mode (unless the LPASS8 bit is enabled). Even parity is generated on output unless the **ODDP** flag is set and the **EVENP** flag is clear, in which case odd parity is generated. Input characters with the wrong parity, as determined by the **EVENP** and **ODDP** flags, are ignored in COOKED and CBREAK mode.

ODDP

Allows odd parity on input. Refer to the description of the **EVENP** flag.

RAW

Indicates the RAW mode, which features a wake up on all characters and an 8-bit interface.

The RAW mode disables all processing except output flushing specified by the **LFLUSHO** bit. The full 8 bits of input are given as soon as they are available; all 8 bits are passed on output. A break condition in the input is reported as a null character. If the input queue overflows in RAW mode, all data in the input and output queues is discarded; this applies to both the new and old drivers.

CRMOD

Maps a carriage return into a new line on input and outputs a new line as a carriage return and a new line.

ECHO

Echo (full duplex).

LCASE

Maps uppercase to lowercase on input and lowercase to uppercase on output on uppercase terminals.

CBREAK

Enables a half-cooked mode. Programs can read each character as it is typed instead of waiting for a full line. All processing is done except input editing. Character and word erase, line kill, input reprint, and special treatment of the backslash character and the EOT character are disabled.

TANDEM

Enables automatic flow control (TANDEM mode), which causes the system to produce a stop character (Ctrl-S) when the input queue is in danger of overflowing, and a start character (Ctrl-Q) when the input queue has drained sufficiently. This mode is useful for flow control when the terminal is actually another computer that understands the conventions.

Note: The same stop and start characters are used for both directions of flow control. The character specified by the `t_stopc` field is accepted on input as the character that stops output and is produced on output as the character to stop input. The character specified by the `t_startc` field is accepted on input as the character that restarts output and is produced on output as the character to restart input.

Basic ioctl Operations

A large number of `ioctl` commands apply to terminals. Some have the general form:

```
#include <sgtty.h>
ioctl(FileDescriptor, Code, Value)
struct sgttyb *Value;
```

The applicable values for the *Code* parameter are:

Item	Description
TIOCGETP	Fetches the basic parameters associated with the terminal and stores them in the sgttyb structure that is pointed to.
TIOCSETP	Sets the parameters according to the sgttyb structure that is pointed to. The interface delays until output stops, then throws away any unread characters before changing the modes.
TIOCSETN	Has the same effect as the TIOCSETP value but does not delay or flush input. Input is not preserved, however, when changing to or from the RAW mode.

For the following codes, the *Value* parameter is ignored:

Item	Description
TIOCEXCL	Sets exclusive-use mode; no further opens are permitted until the file is closed.
TIOCNXCL	Turns off exclusive-use mode.
TIOCHPCL	When the file is closed for the last time, hangs up the terminal. This is useful when the line is associated with a modem used to place outgoing calls.

For the following code, the *Value* parameter is a pointer to an integer.

Item	Description
TIOCFLUSH	If the integer pointed to by the <i>Value</i> parameter has a zero value, all characters waiting in input or output queues are flushed. Otherwise, the value of the integer applies to the FREAD and FWRITE bits defined in the fcntl.h file. If the FREAD bit is set, all characters waiting in input queues are flushed. If the FWRITE bit is set, all characters waiting in output queues are flushed. Note: The FREAD and FWRITE bits cannot be used unless the _KERNEL flag is set.

In the following codes, the argument is 0 unless specified otherwise:

Item	Description
TIOCSTI	The <i>Value</i> parameter points to a character that the system pretends has been typed on the terminal.
TIOCSBRK	The break bit is set in the terminal.
TIOCCBRK	The break bit is cleared.
TIOCSDTR	Data terminal ready is set.
TIOCCDTR	Data terminal ready is cleared.
TIOCSTOP	Output is stopped as if the stop character had been typed.
TIOCSTART	Output is restarted as if the start character had been typed.
TIOCGPGRP	The <i>Value</i> parameter is a pointer to an integer into which is placed the process group ID of the process group for which this terminal is the control terminal.
TIOCSPGRP	The <i>Value</i> parameter is a pointer to an integer which is the value to which the process group ID for this terminal will be set.

Item	Description
TIOCOUTQ	Returns in the integer pointed to by the <i>Value</i> parameter the number of characters queued for output to the terminal.
TIONREAD	Returns in the integer pointed to by the <i>Value</i> parameter the number of characters immediately readable from the argument descriptor. This works for files, pipes, and terminals.

Uppercase Terminals

If the **LCASE** output-mode bit is set, all uppercase letters are mapped into the corresponding lowercase letter. The uppercase letter can be generated by preceding it with a \ (backslash). Uppercase letters are preceded by a backslash when they are output. In addition, the following escape sequences can be generated on output and accepted on input:

For	Use
` (grave)	\'
	\!
~	\^
{	\(
}	\)

To deal with terminals that do not understand that the ~ (tilde) has been made into an ASCII character, the **LTILDE** bit can be set in the local-mode word. When the **LTILDE** bit is set, the ~ (tilde) character will be replaced with the ` (grave) character on output.

Special Characters

A **tchars** structure associated with each terminal specifies special characters for both the old and new terminal interfaces. This structure is defined in the **ioctl.h** file, for which the **sgtty.h** file contains an **#include** statement. The **tchars** structure contains the following fields:

Item	Description
t_intrc	The interrupt character (Ctrl-C, by default) generates a SIGINT signal. This is the normal way to stop a process that is no longer needed or to regain control in an interactive program.
t_quitc	The quit character (Ctrl-\, by default) generates a SIGQUIT signal. This is used to end a program and produce a core image, if possible, in a core file in the current directory.
t_startc	The start-output character (Ctrl-Q, by default).
t_stopc	The stop-output character (Ctrl-S, by default).
t_eofc	The end-of-file character (Ctrl-D, by default).
t_brkc	The input delimiter (-1, by default). This character acts like a newline in that it ends a line, is echoed, and is passed to the program.

The stop and start characters can be the same to produce a toggle effect. The applicable ioctl functions are:

Item	Description
TIOCGETC	Gets the special characters and puts them in the specified structure.
TIOCSETC	Sets the special characters to those given in the structure.

Local Mode

Associated with each terminal is a local-mode word. The bits of the local-mode word are:

Item	Description
LCRTBS	Backspaces on erase rather than echoing erase.
LPRTERA	Printing terminal erase mode.
LCRTERA	Erases character echoes as Backspace-Space-Backspace.
LTILDE	Converts ~ (tilde) to ` (grave) on output (for terminals that do not recognize the tilde as an ASCII character).
LMDBUF	Stops and starts output when carrier drops.
LLITOUT	Suppresses output translations.
LTOSTOP	Sends a SIGTTOU signal for background output.
LFLUSHO	Output is being flushed.
LNOHANG	Do not send hang up when carrier drops.
LCRTKIL	Backspace-Space-Backspace to erase the entire line on line kill.
LPASS8	Passes all 8 bits through on input, in any mode.
LCTLECH	Echoes input control characters as Ctrl-X, delete as Ctrl-?.
LPENDIN	Retypes pending input at next read or input character.
LDECCTQ	Only Ctrl-Q restarts output after a Ctrl-S.
LNOFLSH	Inhibits flushing of pending I/O when an interrupt character is typed.

The following ioctl functions operate on the local-mode word structure:

Item	Description
TIOCLBIS	The <i>Value</i> parameter is a pointer to an integer whose value is a mask containing the bits to be set in the local-mode word.
TIOCLBIC	The <i>Value</i> parameter is a pointer to an integer whose value is a mask containing the bits to be cleared in the local-mode word.
TIOCLSET	The <i>Value</i> parameter is a pointer to an integer whose value is stored in the local-mode word.
TIOCLGET	The <i>Value</i> parameter is a pointer to an integer into which the current local-mode word is placed.

Local Special Characters

The **ltchars** structure associated with each terminal defines control characters for the new terminal driver. This structure contains the following fields:

Item	Description
t_suspc	The suspend-process character (Ctrl-Z, by default). This sends a SIGTSTP signal to suspend the current process group. This character is recognized during input.
t_dsuspc	The delayed suspend-process character (Ctrl-Y, by default). This sends a SIGTSTP signal to suspend the current process group. This character is recognized when the process attempts to read the control character rather than when the character is typed.
t_rprntc	The reprint line-control character (Ctrl-R, by default). This reprints all characters that are preceded by a new-line character and have not been read.
t_flushc	The flush-output character (Ctrl-O, by default). This flushes data that is written but not transmitted.

Item	Description
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<code>t_werasc</code>	The word-erase character (Ctrl-W, by default). This erases the preceding word. This does not erase beyond the beginning of the line.
<code>t_lnextc</code>	The literal-next character (Ctrl-V, by default). This causes the special meaning of the next character to be ignored so that characters can be input without being interpreted by the system.

The following `ioctl` functions, which use the **ltchars** structure, are supported by the terminal interface for the definition of local special characters for a terminal:

Item	Description
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TIOCSLTC	Sets local characters. The argument to this function is a pointer to an ltchars structure, which defines the new local special characters.
TIOCGLTC	Sets local characters. The argument to this function is a pointer to an ltchars structure into which is placed the current set of local special characters.

The **winsize** structure and the `ioctl` functions that use it are described in the discussion of the `tty` common code in "[tty Subsystem Overview](#)" in *General Programming Concepts: Writing and Debugging Programs*.

File

Item	Description
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<code>/dev/tty</code>	The tt y special file, which is a synonym for the controlling terminal.
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Related information

[csh command](#)

[getty command](#)

[tty Subsystem Overview](#)

shm.h File

Purpose

Describes the structures that are used by the subroutines that perform shared memory operations.

Syntax

`#include <sys/shm.h>`

Description

The **shm.h** header file defines the following symbolic constants, types, and structures:

Types:

```
typedef unsigned short  shmat_t;
```

Symbolic Constants:

SHMLBA	segment low boundary address multiple
SHMLBA_EXTSHM	SHMLBA value when environment variable EXTSHM=ON
SHM_RDONLY	attach read-only (else read-write)
SHM_RND	round attach address to SHMLBA
SHM_MAP	map a file instead of share a segment
SHM_FMAP	fast file map
SHM_COPY	deferred update
SHM_R	read permission

SHM_W	write permission
SHM_DEST	destroy segment when # attached = 0
ZERO_MEM	for disclaim
SHMHISEG	highest shared memory segment allowed
SHMLOSEG	lowest shared memory segment allowed
NSHMSEGS	number of shared memory segments allowed

There is a shared mem id data structure for each shared memory and mapped file segment in the system.

Structures

The structure **shmid_ds** contains the following members:

struct ipc_perm	shm_perm	operation permission struct
size_t	shm_segsz	size of segment in bytes
pid_t	shm_lpid	process ID of last shared memory operation
pid_t	shm_cpid	pid of creator
shmatt_t	shm_nattch	number of current attaches
time_t	shm_atime	last shmat time
time_t	shm_dtime	time of last shmdt
time_t	shm_ctime	time of last change by shmctl

The structure **shminfo** contains the following members:

unsigned int	shmmax	max shared memory segment size
int	shmmni	min shared memory segment size
int	shmmni	# of shared memory identifiers

The types **pid_t**, **time_t**, **key_t**, and **size_t** are defined as described in **<sys/types.h>**. The following are declared as functions:

```
void *shmat(int, const void *, int);
int shmctl(int, int, struct shmid_ds *);
int shmdt(const void *);
int shmget(key_t, size_t, int);
```

In addition, all of the symbols from **<sys/ipc.h>** will be defined when this header is included.

Related reference

[types.h File](#)

Related information

[shmat subroutine](#)

spc.h File

Purpose

Defines external interfaces provided by the System Resource Controller (SRC) subroutines.

Description

The **/usr/include/spc.h** file defines data structures and symbolic constants that are used when calling the SRC subroutines. All subsystems that are controlled by the SRC via sockets or message queues should include this header file.

The **scrreq** data structure in the **spc.h** file defines the format of requests sent to a subsystem by the **srcmstr** daemon. This format is also used by SRC subroutines that send requests to the **srcmstr** daemon.

The **scrreq** data structure contains the following fields:

Item	Description
mtype	The message type for the message queue. This field should be included only for message queue subsystems. Programs should be compiled with the -DSRCBYQUEUE flag to generate the mtype field.

Item	Description
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<code>srchdr</code>	The SRC header that must be included in all packets sent to and received from an SRC subsystem.
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<code>subreq</code>	The request to be processed by the SRC subsystem.
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The **srchdr** data structure in the **srcreq** data structure contains the return address that is needed to reply to the request. The **srcrrqs** subroutine can be used to extract this information from the request. The **srchdr** data structure is also part of the reply structure returned by a subsystem.

The **srchdr** data structure contains the following fields:

Item	Description
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<code>retaddr</code>	The return address
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<code>dversion</code>	The SRC packet version.
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<code>cont</code>	The continuation indicator. The possible values are:
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NEWREQUEST

Used in a request to the **srcmstr** daemon.

CONTINUED

Used in a reply returned by a subsystem, indicating another packet follows.

STATCONTINUED

Used in a status reply returned by a subsystem, indicating another packet follows.

END

Used in a request seen by a subsystem or the last packet in reply sequence.

The **subreq** data structure contains the request to be processed by the subsystem. This same structure is used when calling the **srcsrqt** subroutine to send a request to a subsystem. The **srcsrqt** subroutine formats the required **srchdr** structure. The request is processed by the **srcmstr** daemon and passed on to a subsystem.

The **subreq** data structure contains the following fields:

Item	Description
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<code>object</code>	Defines the object on which to act. The possible values are either the SUBSYSTEM constant, or a subserver code point. If the object is a subsystem, the value of this field is the SUBSYSTEM constant as defined in the spc.h file and the <code>objname</code> field contains either a null value or the subsystem name. If the object is a subserver, the <code>object</code> field value is the code point from the subserver object definition, and the <code>objname</code> field is subsystem-defined. The <code>objname</code> field can be null, the subserver name, or the subserver process ID. The object value for the subserver cannot equal the value reserved for the subsystem.
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<code>action</code>	SRC action to perform. Possible types are:
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START

STOP

STATUS or SRCSTATUS

TRACE

REFRESH

The values 0-255 are reserved for use by the SRC.

<code>parm1</code>	Modifies the SRC action type by indicating a variable associated with an action. This field is used in a different manner by each of the actions.
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<code>parm2</code>	Modifies the SRC action type by indicating a variable associated with an action. This field is used in a different manner by each of the actions.
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Item	Description
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objname	Name of the object that the request applies to. This can be a subsystem name, a subserver object, or a subserver process ID.
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The **srcrep** and **statrep** structures in the **spc.h** file define formats for the replies returned by a subsystem. For more information, see the [srcsrpy](#) subroutine.

The **srcrep** data structure must be used for replies to start, stop, refresh, and trace requests. It contains the following fields:

Item	Description
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srchdr	Specifies the SRC request/reply (srchdr) header.
svrreply	A reply structure containing the following fields:
rtncode	Subsystem response to the request. This response is negative on error or subsystem unique message.
objtype	The object type. This is one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SUBSYSTEM <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Subserver code point • Error code
objtext	Text description.
objname	Name of the object (subsystem/subserver).
rtnmsg	Subsystem unique message.

The **statrep** data structure is used for replies to status requests. It contains the following fields:

Item	Description
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srchdr	Specifies the SRC request/reply (srchdr) header.
statcode	A status structure containing the following fields. There may be an array of these structures. This structure contains the following fields:
objtype	The object type. This is one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SUBSYSTEM <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Subserver code point • Error code
status	Status code. See the spc.h file for the symbolic constants that may be used with this field.
objtext	Text description.
objname	Name of the object (subsystem/subserver) this reply belongs to.

The **spc.h** file also defines the following constants that are useful in communicating with the **srcmstr** daemon:

Item	Description
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SRCNAMESZ	The maximum length of an SRC object name (30 bytes, including the null terminator).
SRCPKTMAX	The maximum packet size (8192 bytes).

There are also SRC subroutines to manage SRC objects, including subsystems and subservers. The **spc.h** file defines certain symbolic constants which are useful when defining object attributes. The following SRC object descriptors are defined in the [/usr/include/sys/srcobj.h](#) file:

Item	Description
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Respawn action:

RESPAWN=1

ONCE=2

Item	Description
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Contact options:

SRCIPC=1

SRC SIGNAL=2

SRC SOCKET=3

Item	Description
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Multiple instances of a subsystem are allowed:

SRC YES=1

SRC NO=0

Item	Description
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Display subsystem status under certain conditions:

SRC YES=1

SRC NO=0

Item	Description
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Default time limit:

TIMELIMIT=20 (seconds)

The **spc.h** file also includes the **/usr/include/srcerrno.h** file, which contains symbolic constants for the errors returned by the SRC library subroutines. The [src_err_msg](#) subroutine can be used to retrieve the corresponding error message.

SRC Request Structure Example

The following program excerpt is an example of the SRC request (**srcreq**) structure.

```
struct srcreq
{
    long mtype;          /*Contains the message type in the IPC buffer*/
                        /*This field is included if IPC is used and a
                        message queue is expected*/

    struct srchdr srchdr; /*src header table entry - defined below*/
    struct subreq subreq; /*the request passed to the subsystem*/
};

struct srchdr /*srchdr structure is used by SRC routines*/
              /*subsystems are not responsible for setting \
              this*/
{
    struct sockaddr_un retaddr;
    short dversion; /*the version of the data format*/
    short cont;      /*used to indicate message is continued*/
};
```

```

struct subreq
{
    short object;           /*object to act on*/
    short action;          /*action START, STOP, STATUS,TRACE,REFRESH*/
    short parm1;           /* */
    short parm2;           /* */
    char objname[SRCNAMES]; /*object name*/
};

```

Related reference

[srcobj.h File](#)

Related information

[srcrrqs subroutine](#)

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srcobj.h File

Purpose

Defines object structures used by the System Resource Controller (SRC) subsystem.

Description

The **/usr/include/sys/srcobj.h** header file contains the structures defining SRC objects. The **SRCsubsys** structure contains the following fields:

Item	Description
subsysname	String that contains the subsystem name. This string can contain 30 bytes, including the null terminator.
synonym	String that contains the subsystem synonym. This string can contain 30 bytes, including the null terminator.
cmdargs	String that contains the subsystem command arguments. This string can contain 200 bytes, including the null terminator.
path	String that contains the path to the executable files. This string can contain 200 bytes, including the null terminator.
uid	User ID for the subsystem.
auditid	Audit ID for the subsystem. This value is supplied by the system and cannot be changed by an SRC subroutine.
standin	String that contains the path for standard input. This string can contain 200 bytes, including the null terminator.
standout	String that contains the path for standard output. This string can contain 200 bytes, including the null terminator.
stderr	String that contains the path for standard error. This string can contain 200 bytes, including the null terminator.
action	Respawn action. The value of this field can be either ONCE or RESPAWN .
multi	Multiple instance support. The value of this field can be either SRCYES or SRCNO .
contact	Contact type. The value of this field indicates either a signal (SRC SIGNAL), a message queue (SRC IPC), or a socket (SRC SOCKET).
svkey	IPC message queue key.
svmtype	IPC message type (mtype) for the subsystem.
priority	Nice value, a number from 1 to 40.

Item	Description
signorm	Stop normal signal.
sigforce	Stop force signal.
display	Display inactive subsystem on all or group status. The value of this field can be either SRCYES or SRCNO .
waittime	Stop cancel time to wait before sending a SIGKILL signal to the subsystem restart time period. (A subsystem can be restarted only twice in this time period if it does not terminate normally.
grpname	String that contains the group name of the subsystem. This string can contain 30 bytes, including the null terminator.

The **SRCsubsvr** structure contains the following fields:

Item	Description
sub_type	String that contains the type of the subsystem. This string can contain 30 bytes, including the null terminator.
subsysname	String that contains the subsystem name. This string can contain 30 bytes, including the null terminator.
sub_code	Subsystem code. This is a decimal number.

The **SRCnotify** structure contains the following fields:

Item	Description
notifyname	String that contains the name of the subsystem or group to which the notify method applies. This string can contain 30 bytes, including the null terminator.
notifymethod	String that is executed when the SRC detects abnormal termination of the subsystem or group. This string can contain 256 bytes, including the null terminator.

The possible values indicated for the fields are predefined.

Related reference

[spc.h File](#)

Related information

[getssys subroutine](#)

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stat.h File

Purpose

Defines the data structures returned by the stat family of subroutines.

Description

The **stat** data structure in the **/usr/include/sys/stat.h** file returns information for the **stat**, **fstat**, **lstat**, **statx**, and **fstatx** subroutines.

The **stat** data structure contains the following fields:

Item	Description
st_dev	Device that contains a directory entry for this file.

Item	Description
st_ino	Index of this file on its device. A file is uniquely identified by specifying the device on which it resides and its index on that device.
st_mode	File mode. The possible file mode values are given in the description of the /usr/include/sys/mode.h file.
st_nlink	Number of hard links (alternate directory entries) to the file created using the link subroutine.
st_access	Field is not implemented. All bits are returned as zero.
st_size	Number of bytes in a file (including any holes). This field also defines the position of the end-of-file mark for the file. The end-of-file mark is updated only by subroutines, for example the write subroutine. If the file is mapped by the shmat subroutine and a value is stored into a page past the end-of-file mark, that mark will be updated to include this page when the file is closed or forced to permanent storage.
st_rdev	ID of the device. This field is defined only for block or character special files.
st_atime	Time when file data was last accessed. st_atime and st_atime_n taken together represent the last file access time in number of seconds and nanoseconds since the epoch.
st_atime_n	Time when file data was last accessed. st_atime and st_atime_n taken together represent the last file access time in number of seconds and nanoseconds since the epoch.
st_mtime	Time when file data was last modified. st_mtime and st_mtime_n taken together represent the last file modification time in number of seconds and nanoseconds since the epoch.
st_mtime_n	Time when file data was last modified. st_mtime and st_mtime_n taken together represent the last file modification time in number of seconds and nanoseconds since the epoch.
st_ctime	Time when the file status was last changed. st_ctime and st_ctime_n taken together represent the last file status change in number of seconds and nanoseconds since the epoch.
st_ctime_n	Time when the file status was last changed. st_ctime and st_ctime_n taken together represent the last file status change in number of seconds and nanoseconds since the epoch.
st_blksize	Size, in bytes of each block of the file.
st_blocks	Number of blocks actually used by the file (measured in the units specified by the DEV_BSIZE constant).
st_gen	Generation number of this i-node.

Item	Description
st_type	Type of the v-node for the object. This is one of the following values, which are defined in the /usr/include/sys/vnode.h file: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> VNON Unallocated object; this should not occur VBAD Unknown type of object VREG Regular file VDIR Directory file VBLK Block device VCHR Character device VLNK Symbolic link VSOCK Socket VFIFO FIFO VMPC Multiplexed character device.
st_vfs	Virtual file system (VFS) ID, which identifies the VFS that contains the file. By comparing this value with the VFS numbers returned by the mntctl subroutine, the name of the host where the file resides can be identified.
st_vfstype	File-system type, as defined in the /usr/include/sys/vmount.h file.
st_flag	Flag indicating whether the file or the directory is a virtual mount point. This flag can have the following values: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> FS_VMP Indicates that the file is a virtual mount point. FS_MOUNT Indicates that the file is a virtual mount point. FS_REMOTE Indicates that the file resides on another machine.
st_uid	File owner ID.
st_gid	File group ID.

The **stat64** data structure in the **/usr/include/sys/stat.h** file returns information for the **stat64**, **fstat64**, and **lstat64** subroutines. The **stat64** structure contains the same fields as the **stat** structure, with the exception of the following field:

Item	Description
st_size	Number of bytes in a file. The st_size field is a 64-bit quantity, allowing file sizes greater than OFF_MAX. The st_size field of the stat64 structure is of the type off64_t.

For remote files, the st_atime, st_mtime, and st_ctime fields contain the time at the server.

The value of the st_atime field can be changed by the following subroutines:

- [read, readx, readv, readvx](#)
- [readlink](#)
- [shmdt](#)
- [utime, utimes](#)

The values of the `st_ctime` and `st_mtime` fields can be set by the following subroutines:

- [write, writex, writev, writevx](#)
- [open, openx, creat](#)
- [link](#)
- [symlink](#)
- [unlink](#)
- [mknod](#)
- [mkdir](#)
- [rmdir](#)
- [rename](#)
- [truncate, ftruncate](#)
- [utime, utimes](#)

In addition, the **shmdt** subroutine can change the `st_mtime` field, and the **chmod**, **fchmod**, **chown**, **chownx**, **fchown**, and **fchownx** subroutines can change the `st_ctime` field.

Because they can create a new object, the **open**, **openx**, **creat**, **symlink**, **mknod**, **mkdir**, and **pipe** subroutines can set the `st_atime`, `st_ctime`, and `st_mtime` fields.

Related reference

[inode.h File](#)

[mode.h File](#)

Related information

[openx, open, or creat subroutine](#)

[write, writex, writev, or writevx subroutine](#)

statfs.h File

Purpose

Describes the structure of the statistics returned by the **statfs**, **fstatfs**, or **ustat** subroutine.

Description

The **statfs** and **fstatfs** subroutines return information on a mounted (virtual) file system in the form of a **statfs** structure. The `/usr/include/sys/statfs.h` file describes the **statfs** structure, which contains the following fields:

Item	Description
<code>f_version</code>	Version number of the statfs structure. This value is currently 0.
<code>f_length</code>	Length of the buffer that contains the returned information. This value is currently 0.
<code>f_type</code>	Type of information returned. This value is currently 0.
<code>f_bsize</code>	Optimal block size of the file system.
<code>f_blocks</code>	Total number of blocks in the system.
<code>f_bfree</code>	Number of free blocks in the file system. The size of a free block is given in the <code>f_bsize</code> field.

Item	Description
f_bavail	Number of free blocks available to a nonroot user.
f_files	Total number of file nodes in the file system.
f_ffree	Number of free file nodes in the file system.
f_fsid	File system ID.
f_vfstype	Type of this virtual file system. Possible values are: MNT_JFS Journaled File System (JFS) of the operating system MNT_NFS SUN network file system MNT_CDROM CD-ROM file system.
f_fsize	Fundamental block size of the file system.
f_fname	File system name. The value returned by this field depends on the type of file system: JFS Value returned is copied from the s_fname field of the superblock (see the filsys.h file format). You can set this value at the time the file system is created by using the mkfs command with the -l flag. This field gives the preferred mount point for the file system. Note: The s_fname field in the superblock is only 6 bytes wide. Longer names are truncated to fit. CD-ROM The field is filled with null bytes because the f_fname field is not implemented. NFS The field is filled with null bytes because the f_fname field is not implemented.
f_fpack	File system pack name. The value returned by this field depends on the file system type: JFS The value returned is copied from the s_fpack field of the superblock (see the filsys.h file format). You can set this value at the time the file system is created using the mkfs command with the -v flag. Note: The s_fpack field in the superblock is only 6 bytes wide. Longer pack names are truncated to fit. CD-ROM The value is copied from the volume identifier field in the primary volume descriptor. NFS The field is filled with null bytes because the f_fname field is not implemented.
f_name_max	Maximum length of a component name for this file system.

Note: Fields that are not defined for a particular file system are set to a value of -1.

The **ustat** system returns information on a mounted file system in the form of a **ustat** structure. The **ustat** structure, which is defined in the **/usr/include/ustat.h** file, contains the following fields:

Item	Description
f_tfree	Total number of free blocks in the file system. The size of a free block is given in by the UBSIZE constant. See the param.h file for a description of UBSIZE .

Item	Description
f_inode	Number of free i-nodes in the file system.
f_fname	File system name.
f_fpack	File system pack name.

Files

Item	Description
statfs.h	Path to the statfs.h file.
ustat.h	Path to the ustat.h file.

Related reference

[filsys.h File](#)

[param.h File](#)

statvfs.h File

Purpose

Describes the structure of the statistics that are returned by the **statvfs** subroutines and **fsatvfs** subroutines.

Description

The **statvfs** subroutines and **fsatvfs** subroutines return information on a mounted filesystem in the form of statvfs. The **/usr/include/sys/statvfs.h** file describes the following fields in the **statvfs** subroutine:

Item	Description
f_bsize	Preferred file system block size
f_frsize	Fundamental file system block size
f_block	Total number of block f_frsize in the file system.
f_bfree	Total number of free blocks of f_frsize in the file system.
f_bavail	Total number of available blocks of f_frsize that can be used by users without root access.
f_files	Total number of file nodes in the file system
f_ffree	Number of free file nodes in the file system.
f_favail	Number of free file nodes that can be user without root access.
f_fsid	File system ID.
f_basetype	File system type name
f_flag	File system flags: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ST_RDONLY File system is mounted read only ST_NOSUID File system does not support set used ID file modes ST_NODEV Device opens are not allowed through mounts.

Item	Description
f_namemax	Maximum length of a component name for this file system
f_fstr	File system specific string.

The following prototypes also appear in the **/usr/include/sys/statvfs.h** file:

```
extern int statvfs(const char *, struct statvfs *);
```

```
extern int fsatvfs(int, struct statvfs *);
```

Related information

[stsvfs subroutine](#)

systemcfg.h File

Purpose

Defines the **_system_configuration** structure.

Description

The **systemcfg.h** file defines the **_system_configuration** structure. This is a global structure that identifies system characteristics. The **system_configuration** structure is provided in read-only system memory. The attributes in the **_system_configuration** structure have the following values:

Item	Description
architecture	Identifies the processor architecture. Valid values for Version 4 are:
	POWER_RS Indicates a POWER® family machine.
	POWER_PC Indicates a POWER processor-based.
implementation	Identifies the specific version of the processor. Each implementation is assigned a unique bit to allow for efficient checking of implementation sets. The following are examples of valid values (the header file contains more values):
	POWER_RS1
	POWER_RS2
	POWER_RSC
	POWER_601
	Two special values are also defined: POWER_RS_ALL and POWER_PC_ALL . These labels are defined as the bit OR of all members of their architecture.

Item	Description
version	Identifies the central processing unit (CPU) version number. The following are examples of valid values (the header file contains more values): PV_RS1 Identifies a POWER family RS1 machine. PV_RS2 Identifies a POWER family RS2 machine. PV_RS2G Identifies a POWER family RS2 machine with graphics assist. PV_RSC Identifies a POWER family RSC machine. PV_601 Identifies a PowerPC 601 RISC Microprocessor machine.
width	Contains the processor data-word size. Valid values are 32 or 64. This value is the maximum data-word size and should not be confused with the current execution mode.
ncpus	Identifies the number of CPUs active on a machine. Uniprocessor (UP) machines are identified by a 1. Values greater than 1 indicate multiprocessor (MP) machines.
cache_attr	Specifies the cache attributes. Bit 31 determines if the cache is present. If this bit is 1, the cache is present. If bit 31 is 0, then no cache is present and all other cache characteristics are 0. Bit 30 indicates the type of cache. If bit 30 is 1, the cache is combined. Otherwise, if bit 30 is 0 the instruction and data caches are separate.
icache_size	Contains the L1 instruction-cache size in bytes. For combined caches, this value is the total cache size.
dcache_size	Contains the size of the L1 data-cache size in bytes. For combined caches this the total cache size.
icache_asc	Contains the L1 instruction-cache associativity. For a combined cache, this is the combined caches' associativity.
dcache_asc	Contains the L1 data-cache associativity. For a combined cache, this is the combined caches' associativity.
icache_line	Contains the line size in bytes of the L1 instruction cache.
dcache_line	Contains the line size in bytes of L1 data cache.
L2_cache_size	Contains the size of the L2 cache in bytes. A value of 0 indicates no L2 cache is present.
L2_cache_asc	Identifies the associativity of the L2 cache.
tlb_comb	Identifies the type of Transaction Lookaside Buffer (TLB) attributes. If the TLB is present, bit 31 is 1. Otherwise, if bit 31 is less than 0, the TLB does not exist and all other TLB characteristics are 0. Bit 30 is 1 if the TLB is combined. If the TLB is separate for the instruction and data cache, bit 30 is 0.
itlb_size	Specifies the number of entries in the instruction TLB. For combined TLBs, this is the size of the combined TLB.
dtlb_size	Specifies the number of entries in the data TLB. For combined TLBs, this is the size of the combined TLB.
itlb_asc	Contains the associativity of the instruction TLB. This attribute's value is equal to the itlb_size attribute if the system is fully associative.

Item	Description
dtlb_asc	Contains the associativity of the instruction TLB. This attribute's value is equal to the value of the dtlb_size attribute if the system is fully associative.
resv_size	Contains the POWER processor-based reservation granule size. This field is a 0 on POWER family machines.
priv_ick_cnt	Contains the number of times lock services attempt to lock a spin lock before blocking AP process/thread in supervisor mode. This a 0 on UP machine. This parameter is used by system-locking services.
prob_lck_cnt	Contains the number of times lock services attempt to lock a spin lock before blocking a process or thread in problem state. This a 0 on a UP machine. This parameter is used by system-locking services.
virt_alias	Indicates virtual memory aliasing. If 1, the hardware is available for virtual memory aliasing and this ability is used by the system. Virtual memory aliasing is the mapping of one real address to more than one virtual address.
cach_cong	Contains the number page index bits that can result in a cache synonym. For machines without cache synonyms, this field is 0.

tar.h File

Purpose

Contains definitions for flags used in the **tar** archive header.

Description

The **/usr/include/tar.h** file contains extended definitions used in the `typeflag` and `mode` fields of the **tar** archive header block. The file also provides values for the required POSIX entries.

tar Archive Header Block

Every file archived using the **tar** command is represented by a header block describing the file, followed by zero or more blocks that give the contents of the file. The end-of-archive indicator consists of two blocks filled with binary zeros. Each block is a fixed size of 512 bytes.

Blocks are grouped for physical I/O operations and groups can be written using a single **write** subroutine operation. On magnetic tape, the result of this write operation is a single tape record. The last record is always a full 512 bytes. Blocks after the end-of-archive zeros contain undefined data.

The header block structure is shown in the following table. All lengths and offsets are in decimal.

Table 39. Header Block Structure	
Field Name	Structure
name	Offset: 0 Length in Bytes: 100 Contents: File name without a / (slash)

Table 39. Header Block Structure (continued)

Field Name	Structure
mode	Offset: 100 Length in Bytes: 8 Contents: File mode
uid	Offset: 108 Length in Bytes: MAXIMPL_LOGIN_NAME_MAX Contents: User ID
gid	Offset: 116 Length in Bytes: MAXIMPL_LOGIN_NAME_MAX Contents: Group ID
size	Offset: 124 Length in Bytes: 12 Contents: Size in bytes
mtime	Offset: 136 Length in Bytes: 12 Contents: Latest modification time
cksum	Offset: 148 Length in Bytes: 8 Contents: File and header checksum
typeflag	Offset: 156 Length in Bytes: 1 Contents: File type

Table 39. Header Block Structure (continued)

Field Name	Structure
linkname	Offset: 157 Length in Bytes: 100 Contents: Linked path name or file name
magic	Offset: 257 Length in Bytes: 6 Contents: Format representation for tar
version	Offset: 263 Length in Bytes: 3 Contents: Version representation for tar
uname	Offset: 265 Length in Bytes: 32 Contents: User name
gname	Offset: 297 Length in Bytes: 32 Contents: Group name
devmajor	Offset: 329 Length in Bytes: 8 Contents: Major device representation
devminor	Offset: 337 Length in Bytes: 8 Contents: Minor device representation

Table 39. Header Block Structure (continued)

Field Name	Structure
prefix	Offset: 345 Length in Bytes: 155 Contents: Path name without trailing slashes

Names are preserved only if the characters are chosen from the POSIX portable file-name character set or if the same extended character set is used between systems. During a read operation, a file can be created only if the original file can be accessed using the **open**, **stat**, **chdir**, **fcntl**, or **opendir** subroutine.

Header Block Fields

Each field within the header block and each character on the archive medium are contiguous. There is no padding between fields. More information about the specific fields and their values follows:

name

The file's path name is created using this field, or by using this field in connection with the **prefix** field. If the **prefix** field is included, the name of the file is **prefix/name**. This field is null-terminated unless every character is non-null.

mode

Provides 9 bits for file permissions and 3 bits for SUID, SGID, and SVTX modes. All values for this field are in octal. During a read operation, the designated mode bits are ignored if the user does not have equal (or higher) permissions or if the modes are not supported. Numeric fields are terminated with a space and a null byte. The **tar.h** file contains the following possible values for this field:

Flag	Octal	Description
TSUID	04000	Set user ID on execution.
TSGID	02000	Set group ID on execution.
TSVTX	01000	Reserved.
TUREAD	00400	Read by owner.
TUWRITE	00200	Write by owner.
TUEXEC	00100	Execute or search by owner.
TGREAD	00040	Read by group.
TGWRITE	00020	Write by group.
TGEXEC	00010	Execute or search by group.
TOREAD	00004	Read by others.
TOWRITE	00002	Write by others.
TOEXEC	00001	Execute or search by other.

uid

Extracted from the corresponding archive fields unless a user with appropriate privileges restores the file. In that case, the field value is extracted from the password and group files instead. Numeric fields are terminated with a space and a null byte.

gid

Extracted from the corresponding archive fields unless a user with appropriate privileges restores the file. In that case, the field value is extracted from the password and group files instead. Numeric fields are terminated with a space and a null byte.

size

Value is 0 when the `typeflag` field is set to **LNKTYPE**. This field is terminated with a space only.

mtime

Value is obtained from the modification-time field of the **stat** subroutine. This field is terminated with a space only.

chksum

On calculation, the sum of all bytes in the header structure are treated as spaces. Each unsigned byte is added to an unsigned integer (initialized to 0) with at least 17-bits precision. Numeric fields are terminated with a space and a null byte.

typeflag

The **tar.h** file contains the following possible values for this field:

Flag	Value	Description
REGTYPE	'0'	Regular file.
AREGTYPE	'\0'	Regular file.
LNKTYPE	'1'	Link.
SYMTYPE	'2'	Reserved.
CHRTYPE	'3'	Character special.
BLKTYPE	'4'	Block special.
DIRTYPE	'5'	Directory. In this case, the size field has no meaning.
FIFOTYPE	'6'	FIFO special. Archiving a FIFO file archives its existence, not contents.
CONTTYPE	'7'	Reserved.

If other values are used, the file is extracted as a regular file and a warning issued to the standard error output. Numeric fields are terminated with a space and a null byte.

The **LNKTYPE** flag represents a link to another file, of any type, previously archived. Such linked-to files are identified by each file having the same device and file serial number. The linked-to name is specified in the `linkname` field, including a trailing null byte.

linkname

Does not use the `prefix` field to produce a path name. If the path name or `linkname` value is too long, an error message is returned and any action on that file or directory is canceled. This field is null-terminated unless every character is non-null.

magic

Contains the **TMAGIC** value, reflecting the extended **tar** archive format. In this case, the `uname` and `gname` fields will contain the ASCII representation for the file owner and the file group. If a file is restored by a user with the appropriate privileges, the `uid` and `gid` fields are extracted from the password and group files (instead of the corresponding archive fields). This field is null-terminated.

version

Represents the version of the **tar** command used to archive the file. This field is terminated with a space only.

uname

Contains the ASCII representation of the file owner. This field is null-terminated.

gname

Contains the ASCII representation of the file group. This field is null-terminated.

devmajor

Contains the device major number. Terminated with a space and a null byte.

devminor

Contains the device minor number. Terminated with a space and a null byte.

prefix

If this field is non-null, the file's path name is created using the `prefix/name` values together. Null-terminated unless every character is non-null.

Related information

[tar command](#)

termio.h File

Purpose

Defines the structure of the **termio** file, which provides the terminal interface for Version 2 compatibility.

Description

The `/usr/include/sys/termio.h` file contains the **termio** structure, which defines special characters as well as the basic input, output, control, and line discipline modes. The **termio.h** file is provided for compatibility with Version 2 applications.

Version 2 applications that include the **termio.h** file can use the Version 2 terminal interface provided by the POSIX line discipline. The following Version 2 terminal interface operations are not supported by the POSIX line discipline:

- Terminal Paging (**TCGLEN** ioctl and **TCSLEN** ioctl)
- Terminal Logging (**TCLOG** ioctl)
- Enhanced Edit Line Discipline (**LDSETDT** ioctl and **LDGETDT** ioctl)

The **termio** structure in the **termio.h** file contains the following fields:

- `c_iflag`
- `c_oflag`
- `c_cflag`
- `c_lflag`
- `c_cc`

Field Descriptions

c_iflag

Describes the basic terminal input control. The initial input-control value is all bits clear. The possible input modes are:

IGNBRK

Ignores the break condition. In the context of asynchronous serial data transmission, a *break condition* is defined as a sequence of zero-valued bits that continues for more than the time required to send 1 byte. The entire sequence of zero-valued bits is interpreted as a single break condition, even if it continues for an amount of time equivalent to more than one byte. If the **IGNBRK** flag is set, a break condition detected on input is ignored, which means that the break condition is not put on the input queue and therefore not read by any process.

BRKINT

Interrupts the signal on the break condition. If the **IGNBRK** flag is not set and the **BRKINT** flag is set, the break condition flushes the input and output queues. If the terminal is the controlling terminal of a foreground process group, the break condition generates a single **SIGINT** signal to

that foreground process group. If neither the **IGNBRK** nor the **BRKINT** flag is set, a break condition is read as a single `\0`. If the **PARMRK** flag is set, a break condition is read as `\377, \0, \0`.

IGNPAR

Ignores characters with parity errors. If this flag is set, a byte with a framing or parity error (other than break) is ignored.

PARMRK

Marks parity errors. If the **PARMRK** flag is set and the **IGNPAR** flag is not set, a byte with a framing or parity error (other than break) is given to the application as the three-character sequence `\377, \0, x`, where `\377, \0` is a two-character flag preceding each sequence and `x` is the data of the character received in error. To avoid ambiguity in this case, if the **ISTRIP** flag is not set, a valid character of `\377` is given to the application as `\377, \377`. If neither the **IGNPAR** nor the **PARMRK** flag is set, a framing or parity error (other than break) is given to the application as a single character, `\0`.

INPCK

Enables input parity checking. If this flag is set, input parity checking is enabled. If not set, input parity checking is disabled. This allows for output parity generation without input parity errors.

ISTRIP

Strips characters. If this flag is set, valid input characters are first stripped to 7 bits; otherwise, all 8 bits are processed.

INLCR

Maps a new-line character (NL) to a carriage return (CR) on input. If this flag is set, a received NL character is translated into a CR character.

IGNCR

Ignores a CR character. If this flag is set, a received CR character is ignored and not read.

ICRNL

Maps a CR character to an NL character on input. If the **ICRNL** flag is set and the **IGNCR** flag is not set, a received CR character is translated into an NL character.

IUCLC

Maps uppercase to lowercase on input. If this flag is set, a received uppercase, alphabetic character is translated into the corresponding lowercase character.

IXON

Enables start and stop output control. If this flag is set, a received STOP character suspends output and a received START character restarts output. When the **IXON** flag is set, START and STOP characters are not read, but merely perform flow-control functions. When the **IXON** flag is not set, the START and STOP characters are read.

IXANY

Enables any character to restart output. If this flag is set, any input character restarts output that was suspended.

IXOFF

Enables start-and-stop input control. If this flag is set, the system transmits a STOP character when the input queue is nearly full and a START character when enough input has been read that the queue is nearly empty again.

c_oflag

Specifies how the system treats output. The initial output-control value is "all bits clear". The possible output modes are:

OPOST

Post processes output. If this flag is set, output characters are post-processed as indicated by the remaining flags; otherwise, characters are transmitted without change.

OLCUC

Maps lowercase to uppercase on output. If this flag is set, a lowercase alphabetic character is transmitted as the corresponding uppercase character. This function is often used in conjunction with the **IUCLC** input mode.

ONLCR

Maps NL to CR-NL on output. If this flag is set, the NL character is transmitted as the CR-NL character pair.

OCRNL

Maps CR to NL on output. If this flag is set, the CR character is transmitted as the NL character.

ONOCR

Indicates no CR output at column 0 (first position). If this flag is set, no CR character is transmitted when at column 0 (first position).

ONLRET

NL performs the CR function. If this flag is set, the NL character is assumed to do the carriage-return function. The column pointer is set to 0, and the delay specified for carriage return is used. If neither the **ONLCR**, **OCRNL**, **ONOCR**, nor **ONLRET** flag is set, the NL character is assumed to do the line-feed function only. The column pointer remains unchanged. The column pointer is also set to 0 if the CR character is actually transmitted.

The delay bits specify how long a transmission stops to allow for mechanical or other movement when certain characters are sent to the terminal. The actual delays depend on line speed and system load.

OFILL

Uses fill characters for delay. If this flag is set, fill characters are transmitted for a delay instead of a timed delay. This is useful for high baud rate terminals that need only a minimal delay.

OFDEL

If this flag is set, the fill character is DEL. If this flag is not set, the fill character is NULL.

NLDLY

Selects the new-line character delays. This is the mask to use before comparing to NL0 and NL1:

NL0

Specifies no delay.

NL1

Specifies one delay of approximately 0.10 seconds. If the **ONLRET** flag is set, the carriage-return delays are used instead of the new-line delays. If the **OFILL** flag is set, two fill characters are transmitted.

CRDLY

Selects the carriage-return delays. This is the mask to use before comparing to CR0, CR1, CR2, and CR3:

CR0

Specifies no delay.

CR1

Specifies that the delay is dependent on the current column position. If the **OFILL** flag is set, two fill characters are transmitted.

CR2

Specifies a delay of approximately 0.10 seconds. If the **OFILL** flag is set, this delay transmits four fill characters.

CR3

Specifies one delay of approximately 0.15 seconds.

TABDLY

Selects the horizontal-tab delays. This is the mask to use before comparing to TAB0, TAB1, TAB2, and TAB3. If the **OFILL** flag is set, any of these delays (except TAB3) transmit two fill characters:

TAB0

Specifies no delay.

TAB1

Specifies that the delay is dependent on the current column position. If the **OFILL** flag is set, two fill characters are transmitted.

TAB2

Specifies a delay of approximately 0.10 seconds.

TAB3

Specifies that tabs are to be expanded into spaces.

BSDLY

Selects the backspace delays. This is the mask to use before comparing to BS0 and BS1:

BS0

Specifies no delay.

BS1

Specifies a delay of approximately 0.05 seconds. If the **OFILL** flag is set, this delay transmits one fill character.

VTDLY

Selects the vertical-tab delays. This is the mask to use before comparing to VT0 and VT1:

VT0

Specifies no delay.

VT1

Specifies one delay of approximately 2 seconds.

FFDLY

Selects the form-feed delays. This is a mask to use before comparing to FF0 and FF1:

FF0

Specifies no delay.

FF1

Specifies a delay of approximately 2 seconds.

c_cflag

Describes the hardware control of the terminal. In addition to the basic control modes, this field uses the following control characters:

CBAUD

Specifies baud rate. These bits specify the baud rate for a connection. For any particular hardware, impossible speed changes are ignored.

B0

Specifies a zero baud rate which is used to hang up the connection. If B0 is specified, the 'data terminal ready' signal is not asserted. As a result, the line is usually disconnected. This delay transmits two fill characters. Normally, this disconnects the line.

B50

Specifies 50 baud.

B75

Specifies 75 baud.

B110

Specifies 110 baud.

B134

Specifies 134.5 baud.

B150

Specifies 150 baud.

B200

Specifies 200 baud.

B300

Specifies 300 baud.

B600

Specifies 600 baud.

B1200

Specifies 1200 baud.

B1800

Specifies 1800 baud.

B2400

Specifies 2400 baud.

B4800

Specifies 4800 baud.

B9600

Specifies 9600 baud.

B19200

Specifies 19,200 baud.

B38400

Specifies 38,400 baud.

EXTA

Specifies External A.

EXTB

Specifies External B.

CSIZE

Specifies the character size. These bits specify the character size, in bits, for both transmit and receive operations. The character size does not include the parity bit, if one is used:

CS5

5 bits

CS6

6 bits

CS7

7 bits

CS8

8 bits

CSTOPB

Specifies the number of stop bits. If this flag is set, 2 stop bits are sent; otherwise, only 1 stop bit is sent.

CREAD

Enables the receiver. If this flag is set, the receiver is enabled. Otherwise, characters are not received.

PARENB

Enables parity. If this flag is set, parity generation and detection is enabled and a parity bit is added to each character.

PARODD

Specifies odd parity. If parity is enabled, the **PARODD** flag specifies odd parity if set. If parity is enabled and the **PARODD** flag is not set, even parity is used.

HUPCL

Hangs up on last close. If this flag is set, the line is disconnected when the last process closes the line or when the process terminates (when the 'data terminal ready' signal drops).

CLOCAL

Specifies a local line. If this flag is set, the line is assumed to have a local, direct connection with no modem control. If not set, modem control (dial-up connection) is assumed.

c_lflag

Controls various terminal functions. The initial value after an open is "all bits clear." This field uses the following mask name symbols:

ISIG

Enables signals. If this flag is set, each input character is checked against the INTR and QUIT special control characters. If an input character matches one of these control characters, the function associated with that character is performed. If the **ISIG** function is not set, checking is not done.

ICANON

Enables canonical input. If this flag is set, it turns on canonical processing, which enables the erase and kill edit functions as well as the assembly of input characters into lines delimited by NL, EOF, and EOL characters. If the **ICANON** flag is not set, read requests are satisfied directly from the input queue. In this case, a read request is not satisfied until one of the following conditions is met:

- The minimum number of characters specified by the **MIN** value are received.
- The time-out value specified by the **TIME** value has expired since the last character was received.

As a result bursts of input can be read, while still allowing single-character input. The **MIN** and **TIME** values are stored in the positions for the EOF and EOL characters, respectively. The character values of **MIN** and **TIME** are converted to their ascii equivalents to get the numeric value. The time value represents tenths of seconds.

XCASE

Enables canonical uppercase and lowercase presentation. If this flag is set along with the **ICANON** flag, an uppercase letter (or the uppercase letter translated to lowercase by the **IUCLC** input mode) is accepted on input by preceding it with a \ (backslash) character. The output is then also preceded by a backslash character. In this mode, the output generates and the input accepts the following escape sequences:

For:	Use:
` (grave)	\ `
	\ !
~	\ ^
{	\ (
}	\)
\	\ \

For example, A is input as \a, \n as \\n, and \N as \\N.

NOFLSH

Disables queue flushing. If this flag is set, the normal flushing of the input and output queues associated with the INTR and QUIT characters is not done.

ECHO

Enables echo. If this flag is set, characters are echoed as they are received.

When the **ICANON** flag is set, the following echo functions are possible:

ECHOE

Echoes the erase character as Backspace-Space-Backspace. If the **ECHO** and **ECHOE** flags are both set, the ERASE character is echoed as one or more ASCII Backspace-Space-Backspace sequences, which clears the last characters from the screen.

ECHOK

Echoes the NL character after kill. If the **ECHOK** flag is set, the NL character is echoed after the kill character is received. This emphasizes that the line is deleted.

ECHONL

Echoes the NL character. If the **ECHONL** flag is set, the NL character is echoed even if the **ECHO** flag is not set. This is useful for terminals that are set to "local echo" (also referred to as "half-duplex").

c_cc

Specifies an array that defines the special control characters. The relative positions and initial values for each function are:

VINTR

Indexes the INTR special character (Ctrl-c), which is recognized on input if the **ISIG** flag is set. The INTR character generates a **SIGINT** signal, which is sent to all processes in the foreground process group for which the terminal is the controlling terminal. If the **ISIG** flag is set, the INTR character is discarded when processed.

VQUIT

Indexes the QUIT special character (Ctrl-\\), which is recognized on input if the **ISIG** flag is set. The QUIT character generates a **SIGQUIT** signal, which is sent to all processes in the foreground process group for which the terminal is the controlling terminal, and writes a **core** image file into the current working directory. If the **ISIG** flag is set, the QUIT character is discarded when processed.

VERASE

Indexes the ERASE special character (Backspace), which is recognized on input if the **ICANON** flag is set. The ERASE character does not erase beyond the beginning of the line as delimited by a NL, EOL, EOF, or EOL2 character. If the **ICANON** flag is set, the ERASE character is discarded when processed.

VKILL

Indexes the KILL special character (Ctrl-u), which is recognized on input if the **ICANON** flag is set. The KILL character deletes the entire line, as delimited by an NL, EOL, EOF, or EOL2 character. If the **ICANON** flag is set, the KILL character is discarded when processed.

VEOF

Indexes the EOF special character (Ctrl-d), which is recognized on input if the **ICANON** flag is set. When EOF is received, all the characters waiting to be read are immediately passed to the process, without waiting for a new line, and the EOF is discarded. If the EOF is received at the beginning of a line (no characters are waiting), a character count of zero is returned from the read, indicating an end-of-file. If the **ICANON** flag is set, the EOF character is discarded when processed.

VEOL

Indexes the EOL special character (Ctrl-@ or ASCII NULL), which is recognized on input if the **ICANON** flag is set. EOL is an additional line delimiter, like NL, and is not normally used.

VEOL2

Indexes the EOL2 special character (Ctrl-@ or ASCII NULL), which is recognized on input if the **ICANON** flag is set. EOL2 is another additional line delimiter, like NL, and is not normally used.

VMIN

Indexes the **MIN** value, which is not a special character. The use of the **MIN** value is described in the discussion of non-canonical mode input processing in "POSIX (termios.h File) Line Discipline" in *General Programming Concepts: Writing and Debugging Programs*.

VTIME

Indexes the **TIME** value, which is not a special character. The use of the **TIME** value is described in the discussion of non-canonical mode input processing in "POSIX (termios.h File) Line Discipline" in *General Programming Concepts: Writing and Debugging Programs*.

The character values for the following control characters can be changed:

- INTR
- ERASE
- EOF

- EOL2
- QUIT
- KILL
- EOL

The ERASE, KILL, and EOF characters can also be escaped (preceded with a backslash) so that no special processing is done.

The primary `ioctl` subroutines have the form:

```
ioctl (FileDescriptor, Command, Structure)
struct termio *Structure;
```

The operations using this form are:

TCGETA

Gets the parameters associated with the terminal and stores them in the **termio** structure referenced by the *Structure* parameter.

TCSETA

Sets the parameters associated with the terminal from the structure referenced by the *Structure* parameter. The change is immediate.

TCSETAF

Waits for the output to drain, and then flushes the input queue and sets the new parameters.

TCSETAW

Waits for the output to drain before setting the new parameters. This form should be used when changing parameters that will affect output.

Other `ioctl` subroutines have the form:

```
ioctl (FileDescriptor, Command, Value)
int Value;
```

The operations using this form are:

Note: If the user writes an application that performs a **TCSBRK** operation followed by a **TCFLSH** operation prior to closing a port, the last data left in the concentrator box on the 64-port adapter is lost. However, no problem occurs if an SIO, 8-port, or 16-port adapter is used.

TCSBRK

Waits for the output to drain. If the *Value* parameter has a value of 0, it sends a break of 0.25 seconds. A nonzero value causes a break condition of that many milliseconds.

TCSBREAK

Waits for the output to drain. If the *Value* parameter has a value of 0, it sends a break of .25 seconds. A nonzero value causes a break condition of that many milliseconds.

TCXONC

Starts and stops control. If the *Value* parameter has a value of 0, it suspends output. If the *Value* parameter has a value of 1, it restarts suspended output. If the *Value* parameter has a value of 2, it blocks input. If the *Value* parameter has a value of 3, it unblocks input.

TCFLSH

If the *Value* parameter has a value of 0, it flushes the input queue. If the *Value* parameter has a value of 1, it flushes the output queue. If the *Value* parameter has a value of 2, it flushes both the input and output queues.

Another form for `ioctl` subroutines is:

```
ioctl (FileDescriptor, Command, Structure)
struct csmapi* Structure;
```

TCSCSMAP

Sets the code set map from the structure referenced by the structure parameter and rejects any invalid map (any map with 0 length/width or a length greater than **MB_LEN_MAX**). The **/usr/include/sys/tty.h** file contains the structure used for **TCSCSMAP** and **TCGCSMAP** operations.

TCGCSMAP

Returns a copy of the current code set map in the structure referenced by the structure parameter. The **/usr/include/sys/tty.h** file contains the structure used for **TCSCSMAP** and **TCGCSMAP** operations.

The following ioctl operations are used for trusted communications path operations:

TCSAK

Points to an integer that enables the Secure Attention Key (SAK) sequence (Ctrl-X, Ctrl-R) to provide a clean terminal to which only trusted processes can read or write. When SAK is enabled and the user types this sequence, all processes that are currently running are ended. The **TCSAKON** operation turns the SAK sequence on; the **TCSAKOFF** operation turns the SAK sequence off.

TCQSAK

Queries the state (**TCSAKON** or **TCSAKOFF**) of the SAK sequence.

TCTRUST

Sets a bit by which another process can query, (with the **TCQTRUST** operation), the state of the terminal, (**TCTRUSTED** or **TCUNTRUSTED**).

TCQTRUST

Queries the state of the terminal (**TCTRUSTED** or **TCUNTRUSTED**).

Related information

[fork subroutine](#)

[ioctl subroutine](#)

termios.h File

Purpose

Defines the structure of the **termios** file, which provides the terminal interface for POSIX compatibility.

Description

The **/usr/include/termios.h** file contains information used by subroutines that apply to terminal files. The definitions, values, and structures in this file are required for compatibility with the POSIX standard. The **termios.h** file also supports ioctl [modem-control operations](#).

The general terminal interface information is contained in the **termio.h** file. The **termio** structure in the **termio.h** file defines the basic input, output, control, and line discipline modes. If a calling program is identified as requiring POSIX compatibility, the **termios** structure and additional POSIX control-packet information in the **termios.h** file is implemented. Window and terminal size operations use the **winsize** structure, which is defined in the **ioctl.h** file. The **termios** structure in the **termios.h** file contains the following fields:

- **c_iflag**
- **c_oflag**
- **c_cflag**
- **c_lflag**
- **c_cc**

The **termios.h** file also [defines the values](#) for the following parameters of the **tcsetattr** subroutine:

- *OptionalActions*
- *QueueSelector*

- *Action*

The **termios.h** file also supports `ioctl` modem-control operations.

Field Descriptions

c_iflag

Describes the basic terminal input control. The initial input-control value is all bits clear. The possible input modes are:

IGNBRK

Ignores the break condition. In the context of asynchronous serial data transmission, a *break condition* is defined as a sequence of zero-valued bits that continues for more than the time required to send one byte. The entire sequence of zero-valued bits is interpreted as a single break condition, even if it continues for an amount of time equivalent to more than one byte. If the **IGNBRK** flag is set, a break condition detected on input is ignored, which means that it is not put on the input queue and therefore not read by any process.

BRKINT

Signal interrupt on the break condition. If the **IGNBRK** flag is not set and the **BRKINT** flag is set, the break condition flushes the input and output queues. If the terminal is the controlling terminal of a foreground process group, the break condition generates a **SIGINT** signal to that foreground process group. If neither the **IGNBRK** nor the **BRKINT** flag is set, a break condition is read as a single `\0`, or if the **PARMRK** flag is set, as `\377, \0, \0`.

IGNPAR

Ignores characters with parity errors. If this flag is set, a byte with a framing or parity error (other than break) is ignored.

PARMRK

Marks parity errors. If the **PARMRK** flag is set, and the **IGNPAR** flag is not set, a byte with a framing or parity error (other than break) is given to the application as the three-character sequence `\377, \0, x`, where `\377, \0` is a two-character flag preceding each sequence and `x` is the data of the character received in error. To avoid ambiguity in this case, if the **ISTRIP** flag is not set, a valid character of `\377` is given to the application as `\377, \377`. If neither the **IGNPAR** nor the **PARMRK** flag is set, a framing or parity error (other than break) is given to the application as a single character `\0`.

INPCK

Enables input parity checking. If this flag is set, input parity checking is enabled. If not set, input parity checking is disabled. This allows for output parity generation without input parity errors.

ISTRIP

Strips characters. If this flag is set, valid input characters are first stripped to 7 bits. Otherwise, all 8 bits are processed.

INLCR

Maps a new-line character (NL) to a carriage return (CR) on input. If this flag is set, a received NL character is translated into a CR character.

IGNCR

Ignores CR character. If this flag is set, a received CR character is ignored and not read.

ICRNL

Maps a CR character to the NL character on input. If the **ICRNL** flag is set and the **IGNCR** flag is not set, a received CR character is translated into a NL character.

IUCLC

Maps uppercase to lowercase on input. If this flag is set, a received uppercase, alphabetic character is translated into the corresponding lowercase character.

IXON

Enables start and stop output control. If this flag is set, a received STOP character suspends output and a received START character restarts output. When the **IXON** flag is set, START and

STOP characters are not read, but merely perform flow-control functions. When the **IXON** flag is not set, the START and STOP characters are read.

IXANY

Enables any character to restart output. If this flag is set, any input character restarts output that was suspended.

IXOFF

Enables start-and-stop input control. If this flag is set, the system transmits a STOP character when the input queue is nearly full and a START character when enough input has been read that the queue is nearly empty again.

IMAXBEL

Echoes the ASCII BEL character if the input stream overflows. Further input is not stored, but input already present in the input stream is not lost. If this flag is not set, no BEL character is echoed; the input in the input queue is discarded if the input stream overflows. This function also requires the **IEXTEN** bit to be set.

c_oflag

Specifies how the system treats output. The initial output-control value is "all bits clear." The possible output modes are:

OPOST

Post-processes output. If this flag is set, output characters are post-processed as indicated by the remaining flags. Otherwise, characters are transmitted without change.

OLCUC

Maps lowercase to uppercase on output. If this flag is set, a lowercase alphabetic character is transmitted as the corresponding uppercase character. This flag is often used in conjunction with the **IUCLC** input mode.

ONLCR

Maps NL to CR-NL on output. If this flag is set, the NL character is transmitted as the CR-NL character pair.

OCRNL

Maps CR to NL on output. If this flag is set, the CR character is transmitted as the NL character.

ONOCR

Indicates no CR output at column 0. If this flag is set, no CR character is transmitted when at column 0 (first position).

ONLRET

NL performs CR function. If this flag is set, the NL character is assumed to do the carriage-return function. The column pointer is set to 0, and the delay specified for carriage return is used. If neither the **ONLCR**, **OCRNL**, **ONOCR**, nor **ONLRET** flag is set, the NL character is assumed to do the line-feed function only. The column pointer remains unchanged. The column pointer is set to 0 if the CR character is actually transmitted.

The delay bits specify how long a transmission stops to allow for mechanical or other movement when certain characters are sent to the terminal. The actual delays depend on line speed and system load.

OFILL

Uses fill characters for delay. If this flag is set, fill characters are transmitted for a delay instead of a timed delay. This is useful for high baud rate terminals that need only a minimal delay.

OFDEL

If this flag is set, the fill character is DEL. If this flag is not set, the fill character is NULL.

NLDLY

Selects the new-line character delays. This is the mask to use before comparing to NLO and NL1:

NLO

Specifies no delay.

NL1

Specifies a delay of approximately 0.10 seconds. If the **ONLRET** flag is set, the carriage-return delays are used instead of the new-line delays. If the **OFILL** flag is set, two fill characters are transmitted.

CRDLY

Selects the carriage-return delays. This is the mask to use before comparing to CR0, CR1, CR2, and CR3:

CR0

Specifies no delay.

CR1

Specifies that the delay is dependent on the current column position. If the **OFILL** flag is set, this delay transmits two fill characters.

CR2

Specifies a delay of approximately 0.10 seconds. If the **OFILL** flag is set, this delay transmits four fill characters.

CR3

Specifies a delay of approximately 0.15 seconds.

TABDLY

Selects the horizontal-tab delays. This is the mask to use before comparing to TAB0, TAB1, TAB2, and TAB3. If the **OFILL** flag is set, any of these delays (except TAB3) transmit two fill characters.

TAB0

Specifies no delay.

TAB1

Specifies that the delay is dependent on the current column position. If the **OFILL** flag is set, two fill characters are transmitted.

TAB2

Specifies a delay of approximately 0.10 seconds.

TAB3

Specifies that tabs are to be expanded into spaces.

BSDLY

Selects the backspace delays. This is the mask to use before comparing to BS0 and BS1:

BS0

Specifies no delay.

BS1

Specifies a delay of approximately 0.05 seconds. If the **OFILL** flag is set, this delay transmits one fill character.

VTDLY

Selects the vertical-tab delays. This is the mask to use before comparing to VT0 and VT1:

VT0

Specifies no delay.

VT1

Specifies a delay of approximately 2 seconds.

FFDLY

Selects the form-feed delays. This is the mask to use before comparing to FF0 and FF1:

FF0

Specifies no delay.

FF1

Specifies a delay of approximately 2 seconds.

c_cflag

Describes the hardware control of the terminal. In addition to the basic control modes, this field uses the following control characters:

CBAUD

Specifies baud rate. These bits specify the baud rate for a connection. For any particular hardware, impossible speed changes are ignored.

B50

50 baud.

B75

75 baud.

B110

110 baud.

B134

134.5 baud.

B150

150 baud.

B200

200 baud.

B300

300 baud.

B600

600 baud.

B1200

1200 baud.

B1800

1800 baud.

B2400

2400 baud.

B4800

4800 baud.

B9600

9600 baud.

B19200

19200 baud.

B38400

38400 baud.

EXTA

External A.

EXTB

External B.

CSIZE

Specifies the character size. These bits specify the character size, in bits, for both transmit and receive operations. The character size does not include the parity bit, if one is used:

CS5

5 bits

CS6

6 bits

CS7

7 bits

CS8

8 bits.

CSTOPB

Specifies number of stop bits. If this flag is set, 2 stop bits are sent; otherwise, only 1 stop bit is sent.

CREAD

Enables receiver. If this flag is set, the receiver is enabled. Otherwise, characters are not received.

PARENB

Enables parity. If this flag is set, parity generation and detection is enabled and a parity bit is added to each character.

PARODD

Specifies odd parity. If parity is enabled, the **PARODD** flag specifies odd parity if set. If parity is enabled and the **PARODD** flag is not set, even parity is used.

HUPCL

Hangs up on last close. If this flag is set, the line is disconnected when the last process closes the line or when the process terminates (when the 'data terminal ready' signal drops).

CLOCAL

Specifies a local line. If this flag is set, the line is assumed to have a local, direct connection with no modem control. If not set, modem control (dial-up) is assumed.

CIBAUD

Specifies the input baud rate if different from the output rate.

PAREXT

Specifies extended parity for mark and space parity.

c_lflag

Controls various terminal functions. The initial value after an open is "all bits clear." In addition to the basic modes, this field uses the following mask name symbols:

ISIG

Enables signals. If this flag is set, each input character is checked against the INTR, QUIT, SUSP, and DSUSP special control characters. If an input character matches one of these control characters, the function associated with that character is performed. If the **ISIG** flag is not set, checking is not done.

ICANON

Enables canonical input. If this flag is set, it turns on canonical processing, which enables the erase and kill edit functions as well as the assembly of input characters into lines delimited by NL, EOF, and EOL characters. If the **ICANON** flag is not set, read requests are satisfied directly from the input queue. In this case, a read request is not satisfied until one of the following conditions is met:

- The minimum number of characters specified by **MIN** are received.
- The time-out value specified by **TIME** has expired since the last character was received. This allows bursts of input to be read, while still allowing single-character input.

The **MIN** and **TIME** values are stored in the positions for the EOF and EOL characters, respectively. The character values of **MIN** and **TIME** are converted to their ascii equivalents to get the numeric value. The time value represents tenths of seconds.

XCASE

Enables canonical uppercase and lowercase presentation. If this flag is set along with the **ICANON** flag, an uppercase letter (or the uppercase letter translated to lowercase by the **IUCLC** input mode) is accepted on input by preceding it with a \ (backslash) character. The output is then also preceded by a backslash character. In this mode, the output generates and the input accepts the following escape sequences:

For

Use

```

` (grave)
  \ `
|
  \ !
~
  \ ^
{
  \ (
}
  \ )
\
  \ \

```

For example, A is input as `\a`, `\n` as `\\n`, and `\N` as `\\\n`.

NOFLSH

Disables queue flushing. If this flag is set, the normal flushing of the input and output queues associated with the INTR, QUIT, and SUSP characters is not done.

FLUSHO

Flushes the output. When this bit is set by typing the FLUSH character, data written to the terminal is discarded. A terminal can cancel the effect of typing the FLUSH character by clearing this bit.

PENDIN

Reprints pending input. If this flag is set, any input that is pending after a switch from raw to canonical mode is re-input the next time a read operation becomes pending or the next time input arrives. The **PENDIN** flag is an internal-state bit.

IEXTEN

Enables extended (implementation-defined) functions to be recognized from the input data. If this flag is not set, implementation-defined functions are not recognized, and the corresponding input characters are processed as described for the **ICANON**, **ISIG**, **IXON**, and **IXOFF** flags. Recognition of the following special control characters requires the **IEXTEN** flag to be set:

- **VEOL2**
- **VDSUSP**
- **VREPRINT**
- **VDISCRD**
- **VWERSE**
- **VLNEXT**

The functions associated with the following bits also require the **IEXTEN** flag to be set:

- **IMAXBEL**
- **ECHOKE**
- **ECHOPRT**
- **ECHOCTL**

TOSTOP

Sends a **SIGTTOU** signal when a process in a background process group tries to write to its controlling terminal. The **SIGTTOU** signal stops the members of the process group.

ECHO

Enables echo. If this flag is set, characters are echoed as they are received.

When the **ICANON** is set, the following echo functions are also possible:

ECHOE

Echoes the erase character as Backspace-Space-Backspace. If the **ECHO** and **ECHOE** flags are both set and the **ECHOPRT** flag is not set, the ERASE and WERASE characters are echoed as one

or more ASCII Backspace-Space-Backspace sequences, which clears the last characters from the screen.

ECHOPRT

If the **ECHO** and **ECHOPRT** flags are both set, the first ERASE and WERASE character in a sequence are echoed as a \ (backslash), followed by the characters being erased. Subsequent ERASE and WERASE characters echo the characters being erased, in reverse order. The next non-erase character causes a / (slash) to be typed before the nonerase character is echoed. This function also requires the **IEXTEN** bit to be set.

ECHOKE

Backspace-Space-Backspace entire line on line kill. If this flag is set, the kill character is echoed by erasing the entire line from the screen (using the mechanism selected by the **ECHOE** and **ECHOPRT** flags). This function also requires the **IEXTEN** flag to be set.

ECHOK

Echoes the NL character after kill. If the **ECHOK** flag is set and the **ECHOKE** flag is not set, the NL character is echoed after the kill character is received. This emphasizes that the line is deleted.

ECHONL

Echoes the NL character. If the **ECHONL** flag is set, the NL character is echoed even if the **ECHO** flag is not set. This is useful for terminals that are set to "local echo" (also referred to as "half-duplex").

ECHOCTL

Echoes control characters (with codes between 0 and 37 octal) as ^X, where X is the character that results from adding 100 octal to the code of the control character. (For example, the character with octal code 1 is echoed as ^A). The ASCII DEL character (code 177 octal) is echoed as ^?. The ASCII TAB, NL, and START characters are not echoed. Unless escaped (preceded by a backslash), the EOF character is not echoed. As a result, because EOT is the default EOF character, terminals that respond to EOT are prevented from hanging up. This function also requires the **IEXTEN** flag to be set.

c_cc

Specifies an array that defines the special control characters. The relative positions and initial values for each function are:

VINTR

Indexes the INTR special character (Ctrl-c), which is recognized on input if the **ISIG** flag is set. The INTR character generates a **SIGINT** signal, which is sent to all processes in the foreground process group for which the terminal is the controlling terminal. If the **ISIG** flag is set, the INTR character is discarded when processed.

VQUIT

Indexes the QUIT special character (Ctrl-\\), which is recognized on input if the **ISIG** flag is set. The QUIT character generates a **SIGQUIT** signal, which is sent to all processes in the foreground process group for which the terminal is the controlling terminal, and writes a **core** image file into the current working directory. If the **ISIG** flag is set, the QUIT character is discarded when processed.

VERASE

Indexes the ERASE special character (Backspace), which is recognized on input if the **ICANON** flag is set. The ERASE character does not erase beyond the beginning of the line as delimited by a NL, EOL, EOF, or EOL2 character. If the **ICANON** flag is set, the ERASE character is discarded when processed.

VKILL

Indexes the KILL special character (Ctrl-u), which is recognized on input if the **ICANON** flag is set. The KILL character deletes the entire line, as delimited by a NL, EOL, EOF, or EOL2 character. If the **ICANON** flag is set, the KILL character is discarded when processed.

VEOF

Indexes the EOF special character (Ctrl-d), which is recognized on input if the **ICANON** flag is set. When EOF is received, all the characters waiting to be read are immediately passed to the process, without waiting for a new line, and the EOF is discarded. If the EOF is received at the

beginning of a line (no characters are waiting), a character count of zero is returned from the read, indicating an end-of-file. If the **ICANON** flag is set, the EOF character is discarded when processed.

VEOL

Indexes the EOL special character (Ctrl-@ or ASCII NULL), which is recognized on input if the **ICANON** flag is set. EOL is an additional line delimiter, like NL, and is not normally used.

VEOL2

Indexes the EOL2 special character (Ctrl-@ or ASCII NULL), which is recognized on input if the **ICANON** and **IEXTEN** flags are set. EOL2 is an additional line delimiter, like NL, and is not normally used.

VSTART

Indexes the START special character (Ctrl-q), which is recognized on input if the **IXON** flag is set, and generated on output if the **IXOFF** flag is set. The START character can be used to resume output that has been suspended by a STOP character. If the **IXON** flag is set, the START character is discarded when processed. While output is not suspended, START characters are ignored and not read. **VSTRT** is an alias for **VSTART**.

VSTOP

Indexes the STOP special character (Ctrl-s), which is recognized on input if the **IXON** flag is set, and generated on output if the **IXOFF** flag is set. The STOP character can be used to with terminals to prevent output from disappearing before it can be read. If the **IXON** flag is set, the STOP character is discarded when processed. While output is suspended, STOP characters are ignored and not read.

VSUSP

Indexes the SUSP special character (Ctrl-z), which is recognized on input if the **ISIG** flag is set. The SUSP character generates a **SIGTSTP** signal, which is sent to all processes in the foreground process group for which the terminal is the controlling terminal. If the **ISIG** flag is set, the SUSP character is discarded when processed.

VDSUSP

Indexes the DSUSP special character (Ctrl-y), which is recognized on input if the **ISIG** and **IEXTEN** flags are set. The DSUSP character generates a **SIGTSTP** signal as the SUSP character does, but the signal is sent when a process in the foreground process group attempts to read the DSUSP character, rather than when DSUSP is typed. If the **ISIG** and **IEXTEN** flags are set, the DSUSP character is discarded when processed.

VREPRINT

Indexes the REPRINT special character (Ctrl-r), which is recognized on input if the **ICANON** and **IEXTEN** flags are set. The REPRINT character reprints all characters, preceded by a new line, that have not been read. If the **ICANON** and **IEXTEN** flags are set, the REPRINT character is discarded when processed.

VDISCRD

Indexes the DISCARD special character (Ctrl-o), which is recognized on input if the **ICANON** and **IEXTEN** flags are set. The DISCARD character causes subsequent output to be discarded until another DISCARD character is typed, more input arrives, or the condition is cleared by a program. If the **ICANON** and **IEXTEN** flags are set, the DISCARD character is discarded when processed.

VWERSE

Indexes the WERASE special character (Ctrl-w), which is recognized on input if the **ICANON** and **IEXTEN** flags are set. The WERASE character causes the preceding word to be erased. The WERASE character does not erase beyond the beginning of the line as delimited by a NL, EOL, EOF, or EOL2 character. If the **ICANON** and **IEXTEN** flags are set, the WERASE character is discarded when processed.

VLNEXT

Indexes the LNEXT (literal next) special character (Ctrl-v), which is recognized on input if the **ICANON** and **IEXTEN** flags are set. The LNEXT character causes the special meaning of the next character to be ignored so that characters can be input without being interpreted by the system. If

the **ICANON**, **ECHO**, and **IEXTEN** flags are set, the LNEXT character is replaced by a ^-Backspace sequence when processed.

VMIN

Indexes the **MIN** value, which is not a special character. The use of the **MIN** value is described in the discussion of noncanonical mode input processing in "ldterm Line Discipline" in *General Programming Concepts: Writing and Debugging Programs*.

VTIME

Indexes the **TIME** value, which is not a special character. The use of the **TIME** value is described in the discussion of noncanonical mode input processing in "ldterm Line Discipline" in *General Programming Concepts: Writing and Debugging Programs*.

The character values for the following control characters can be changed:

Item	Description	Value	Value
INTR	EOF	STOP	DISCARD
QUIT	EOL	SUSP	WERASE
ERASE	EOL2	DSUSP	LNEXT
KILL	START	REPRINT	REPRINT

The ERASE, KILL, and EOF characters can also be escaped (preceded by a backslash) so that no special processing is done.

Parameter Value Definitions

The following values for the *OptionalActions* parameter of the **tcsetattr** subroutine are also defined in the **termios.h** file:

Item	Description
TCSANOW	Immediately sets the parameters associated with the terminal from the referenced termios structure.
TCSADRAIN	Waits until all output written to the object file has been transmitted before setting the terminal parameters from the termios structure.
TCSAFLUSH	Waits until all output written to the object file has been transmitted and until all input received but not read has been discarded before setting the terminal parameters from the termios structure.

The following values for the *QueueSelector* parameter of the **tcflush** subroutine are also defined in this header file:

Item	Description
TCIFLUSH	Flushes data that is received but not read.
TCOFLUSH	Flushes data that is written but not transmitted.
TCIOFLUSH	Flushes data that is received but not read as well as data that is written but not transmitted.

The following values for the *Action* parameter of the **tcflow** subroutine are also defined in the **termios.h** file:

Item	Description
TCOOFF	Suspends the output of data by the object file named in the tcflow subroutine.
TCOON	Restarts data output that was suspended by the TCOOFF action.
TCIOFF	Transmits a stop character to stop data transmission by the terminal device.

Item	Description
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TCION	Transmits a start character to start or restart data transmission by the terminal device.
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Modem Control Operations

The following `ioctl` operations, used for modem control, are an extension to the POSIX line discipline interface. To use these operations in a program, the program must contain an **#include** statement for the `ioctl.h` file.

Item	Description
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TIOCMBIS	The argument to this command is a pointer to an integer that turns on the control lines specified by the integer mask value. No other control lines are affected.
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TIOCMBIC	The argument to this command is a pointer to an integer that turns off the control lines specified by the integer mask value. No other control lines are affected.
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TIOCMGET	Gets all modem bits. The argument to this command is a pointer to an integer where the current state of the modem status lines is stored. Which modem status and modem control lines are supported depends on the capabilities of the hardware and the hardware's device driver.
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TIOCMSET	Sets all modem bits. The argument to this command is a pointer to an integer containing a new set of modem bits. The modem control bits use these bits to turn the modem control lines on or off, depending on whether the bit for that line is set or clear. Any modem status bits are ignored. The actual modem control lines which are supported depend on the capabilities of the hardware and the hardware's device driver.
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The integer specifies one of the following modem control or status lines on which the modem control **ioctl** command operates:

TIOCM_LE

Line enable

TIOCM_DTR

Data terminal ready

TIOCM_RTS

Request to send

TIOCM_ST

Secondary transmit

TIOCM_SR

Secondary receive

TIOCM_CTS

Clear to send

TIOCM_CAR

Carrier detect

TIOCM_CD

TIOCM_CAR

TIOCM_RNG

Ring

TIOCM_RI

TIOCM_RNG

TIOCM_DSR

Data set ready.

Item	Description
TIOCMIWAIT	Wait for modem status line to change status.
T	<p>The argument is a pointer to an integer mask value specifying the modem status line(s) on which to wait for a status change, and can consist of one or more of the following values:</p> <p>TIOCM_CTS Clear to send</p> <p>TIOCM_CAR Carrier detect</p> <p>TIOCM_CD TIOCM_CAR</p> <p>TIOCM_RNG Ring</p> <p>TIOCM_RI TIOCM_RNG</p> <p>TIOCM_DSR Data set ready.</p> <p>The request blocks until one of the specified lines changes status, then returns to the caller. Note that this ioctl blocks even if O_NDELAY or O_NONBLOCK is set.</p> <p>If none of the specified lines changes status, the ioctl can block indefinitely, so it should be used in conjunction with an alarm() timer.</p> <p>If TIOCM_RNG or TIOCM_RI is specified, the transition is reported only when the status line transitions from on to off due to hardware restrictions.</p> <p>Note: Correct operation of this ioctl depends on correct cabling.</p>

Related reference

[termiox.h File](#)

[types.h File](#)

Related information

[cfgetispeed, cfgetospeed, cfsetispeed, cfsetospeed subroutine](#)

termiox.h File

Purpose

Defines the structure of the **termiox** file, which provides the extended terminal interface.

Description

The **termiox.h** file contains an extended terminal interface to support asynchronous hardware flow control. It defines the **termiox** structure and **ioctl** operations using this structure. The **termiox** structure in the **termiox.h** file contains the following fields:

- **x_hflag**
- **x_cflag**
- **x_rflag**
- **x_sflag**

The **termiox.h** file also supports **ioctl** hardware flow control operations.

Field	Descriptions
x_hflag	<p>Describes the hardware flow control mode. The possible modes are:</p> <p>CDXON Enables CD hardware flow control on output. When set, output will occur only if the 'receive line signal detector' (CD) line is raised by the connected device. If the CD line is dropped by the connected device, output is suspended until the CD line is raised.</p> <p>CTSXON Enables CTS hardware flow control on output. When set, output will occur only if the 'clear to send' (CTS) line is raised by the connected device. If the CTS line is dropped by the connected device, output is suspended until the CTS line is raised.</p> <p>DTRXOFF Enables DTR hardware flow control on input. When set, the 'data terminal ready' (DTR) line is raised. If the port needs to have its input stopped, it will drop the DTR line. It is assumed that the connected device will stop its output until DTR is raised.</p> <p>RTSXOFF Enables RTS hardware flow control on input. When set, the 'request to send' (RTS) line is raised. If the port needs to have its input stopped, it will drop the RTS line. It is assumed that the connected device will stop its output until RTS is raised.</p> <p>It is not possible to use simultaneously the following flow control modes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RTS and DTR • CTS and CD. <p>Different hardware flow control modes may be selected by setting the appropriate flags. For example:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bi-directional RTS/CTS flow control by setting RTSXOFF and CTSXON • Bi-directional DTR/CTS flow control by setting DTRXOFF and CTSXON • Modem control or uni-directional CTS flow control by setting CTSXON.
x_cflag	Reserved for future use.
x_rflag	Reserved for future use.
x_sflag	<p>Describes the open discipline. This field must be set before the first open; it is usually done at configuration time. The possible disciplines are:</p> <p>DTR_OPEN DTR open discipline. On open, the discipline raises the 'data terminal ready' (DTR) and 'request to send' (RTS) lines, and waits for the 'data carrier detect' (DCD) line to be raised. If the port is opened with the O_NDELAY or O_NONBLOCK flags, the wait is not done. The DTR and RTS lines are dropped at close time.</p> <p>WT_OPEN World trade open discipline. On open, the discipline behaves like the DTR open discipline if not in CDSTL mode. In CDSTL mode, the discipline does not raise the DTR line until the 'ring indicate' (RI) line is raised. The DTR line is dropped when the DSR line drops for more than 20 milliseconds.</p>

Hardware Flow Control Operations

The following ioctl operations are used for hardware flow control. To use these operations in a program, the program must contain an **#include** statement for the **ioctl.h** file. The argument to these operations is a pointer to a **termiox** structure.

Item	Description
TCGETX	Gets the terminal parameters. The current terminal parameters are stored in the structure.
TCSETX	Sets the terminal parameters immediately. The current terminal parameters are set according to the structure. The change is immediate.
TCSETXW	Sets the terminal parameters after end of output. The current terminal parameters are set according to the structure. The change occurs after all characters queued for output have been transmitted. This operation should be used when changing parameters will affect output.
TCSETXF	Sets the terminal parameters after end of output and flushes input. The current terminal parameters are set according to the structure. All characters queued for output are first transmitted, then all characters queued for input are discarded, and then the change occurs.

Related reference

[termios.h File](#)

Related information

[ioctl subroutine](#)

[tty Subsystem Overview](#)

threads.h File

Purpose

The **threads.h** header file includes the **time.h** header file and defines macros. It also declares types, enumeration constants, and functions that support multiple threads of execution.

Description

The header **threads.h** header file must not be provided by implementations that define the macro **__STDC_NO_THREADS__**. Also, such implementations must not support any facilities that are specified by the header **threads.h** file.

The **threads.h** header file declares the following macros:

thread_local

Expands to **_Thread_local**.

ONCE_FLAG_INIT

Expands to a value that can be used to initialize an object of the type **once_flag**.

TSS_DTOR_ITERATIONS

Expands to an integer constant expression that represents the maximum number of times a destructor is called when a thread terminates.

The **threads.h** header file declares following types:

cnd_t

A complete object type that holds an identifier for a condition variable.

thrd_t

A complete object type that holds an identifier for a thread.

tss_t

A complete object type that holds an identifier for a thread-specific storage pointer.

mtx_t

A complete object type that holds an identifier for a mutex.

tss_dtor_t

A function pointer type **void (*)(void*)**, used for a destructor for a thread-specific storage pointer.

thrd_start_t

A function pointer type `int (*)(void*)` that is passed to `thrd_create` to create a new thread.

once_flag

A complete object type that holds a flag for use by **call_once**.

The **threads.h** header file declares the following enumeration constants:

mtx_plain

The **mtx_plain** type is passed to **mtx_init** to create a mutex object that does not support timeout and test and returns.

mtx_recursive

The **mtx_recursive** type is passed to **mtx_init** to create a mutex object that supports recursive locking.

mtx_timed

The **mtx_timed** type is passed to **mtx_init** to create a mutex object that supports timeout.

thrd_timedout

The **cnd_t** type is returned by a timed wait function to indicate that the time specified in the call was reached without acquiring the requested resource.

thrd_success

The **thrd_success** type is returned by the function to indicate that the requested operation succeeded.

thrd_busy

The **thrd_busy** type is returned by the function to indicate that the requested operation failed because a resource requested by a test and return functions is already in use.

thrd_error

The **thrd_error** type is returned by a function to indicate that the requested operation failed.

thrd_nomem

The **thrd_nomem** type is returned by a function to indicate that the requested operation failed because it was unable to allocate memory.

The **threads.h** header file declares the following functions:

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void call_once(once_flag *flag, void (*func)(void));
int cnd_broadcast(cnd_t *cnd);
void cnd_destroy(cnd_t *cnd);
int cnd_init(cnd_t *cnd);
int cnd_signal(cnd_t *cnd);
int cnd_timedwait(cnd_t *cnd, mtx_t *mtx, const struct timespec *ts);
mtx_t *mtx_create(mtx_t *restrict, void *restrict, const struct timespec *restrict ts);
const struct timespec *mtx_get_ts(mtx_t *mtx);
int cnd_wait(cnd_t *cnd, mtx_t *mtx);
void mtx_destroy(mtx_t *mtx);
int mtx_init(mtx_t *mtx, int type);
int mtx_lock(mtx_t *mtx);
int mtx_timedlock(mtx_t *mtx, const struct timespec *ts);
const struct timespec *mtx_get_ts(mtx_t *mtx);
int mtx_trylock(mtx_t *mtx);
int mtx_unlock(mtx_t *mtx);
int thrd_create(thrd_t *thr, thrd_start_t func, void *arg);
thrd_t thrd_current(void);
int thrd_detach(thrd_t thr);
int thrd_equal(thrd_t thr0, thrd_t thr1);
_noreturn void thrd_exit(int res);
int thrd_join(thrd_t thr, int *res);
int thrd_sleep(const struct timespec *duration, struct timespec *remaining);
void thrd_yield(void);
int tss_create(tss_t *key, tss_dtor_t dtor);
void tss_delete(tss_t key);
void *tss_get(tss_t key);
int tss_set(tss_t key, void *val);
```

trace.h File

Purpose

Defines implementation trace that IEEE POSIX 1003 identifies.

Description

The `<trace.h>` header defines the **posix_trace_event_info** structure that includes the following members:

trace_event_id_t	posix_event_id
pid_t	posix_pid
void	*posix_prog_address
int	posix_truncation_status
struct timespec	posix_timestamp
pthread_t	posix_thread_id

The `<trace.h>` header defines the **posix_trace_status_info** structure that includes the following members:

int	posix_stream_status
int	posix_stream_full_status
int	posix_stream_overrun_status
int	posix_stream_flush_status
int	posix_stream_flush_error
int	posix_log_overrun_status
int	posix_log_full_status

The `<trace.h>` header defines the following symbols:

Table 40. Symbols for the trace.h header

Symbol	Usage	Description
POSIX_TRACE_ADD_EVENTSET	how argument of the posix_trace_set_filter() function	The resulting set of trace event types to be filtered is the union of the current set and the trace event type set that the argument set points to.
POSIX_TRACE_ALL_EVENTS	what argument of the posix_trace_eventset_fill() function	All trace event types defined, both system and user, are included in the set.
POSIX_TRACE_APPEND	logpolicy argument of the posix_trace_attr_setlogfullpolicy() function	The associated trace stream is flushed to the trace log without log size limitation.
POSIX_TRACE_CLOSE_FOR_CHILD	inheritancepolicy argument of the posix_trace_eventset_fill() function	After a fork() operation or a spawn() operation, the child is not traced, and tracing of the parent continues.
POSIX_TRACE_FILTER		This event is recorded in the stream when a trace-event-type filter is changed.
POSIX_TRACE_FLUSH	streampolicy argument of the posix_trace_attr_setstreamfullpolicy() function	This policy is identical to the POSIX_TRACE_UNTIL_FULL trace-stream full policy, except that the trace stream is flushed regularly as if the posix_trace_flush() operation has been explicitly called.
POSIX_TRACE_FLUSH_START		This event is recorded in the stream marking the beginning of a flush operation.
POSIX_TRACE_FLUSH_STOP		This event is recorded in the stream marking the end of a flush operation.
POSIX_TRACE_FLUSHING	posix_stream_flush_status member of the posix_trace_status_info structure	The trace stream is being flushed to the trace log.
POSIX_TRACE_FULL	posix_stream_full_status member of the posix_trace_status_info structure	The space in the trace stream for trace events is exhausted.
POSIX_TRACE_FULL	posix_log_full_status member of the posix_trace_status_info structure	The space in the trace log is exhausted.
POSIX_TRACE_LOOP	streampolicy argument of the posix_trace_attr_setstreamfullpolicy() function	The trace stream loops until the posix_trace_stop() subroutine explicitly stops it.
POSIX_TRACE_LOOP	logpolicy argument of the posix_trace_attr_setlogfullpolicy() function	The trace log loops until the associated trace stream is stopped.
POSIX_TRACE_NO_OVERRUN	posix_stream_overrun_status member of the posix_trace_status_info structure	No trace events are lost in the stream.

Table 40. Symbols for the trace.h header (continued)

Symbol	Usage	Description
POSIX_TRACE_NO_OVERRUN	posix_log_overrun_status member of the posix_trace_status_info structure	No trace events are lost in the trace log.
POSIX_TRACE_NOT_FLUSHING	posix_stream_flush_status member of the posix_trace_status_info structure	No flush operation is in progress.
POSIX_TRACE_NOT_FULL	posix_stream_full_status member of the posix_trace_status_info structure	There is space available in the trace stream.
POSIX_TRACE_NOT_FULL	posix_log_full_status member of the posix_trace_status_info structure	There is space available in the trace log.
POSIX_TRACE_INHERITED	inheritancepolicy argument of the posix_trace_attr_setinherited() function	After a fork() operation or a spawn() operation, if the parent is traced, its child is traced concurrently using the same trace stream.
POSIX_TRACE_NOT_TRUNCATED	posix_truncation_status member of the posix_trace_event_info structure	All of the traced data is available.
POSIX_TRACE_OVERFLOW		This event is recorded in the stream marking the beginning of a trace overflow condition.
POSIX_TRACE_OVERRUN	posix_stream_overrun_status member of the posix_trace_status_info structure	At least one trace event is lost and not recorded in the trace stream.
POSIX_TRACE_OVERRUN	posix_log_overrun_status member of the posix_trace_status_info structure	At least one trace event is lost in the trace log.
POSIX_TRACE_RESUME		This event is recorded in the stream marking the end of a trace overflow condition.
POSIX_TRACE_RUNNING	posix_stream_status member of the posix_trace_status_info structure	Tracing is in progress.
POSIX_TRACE_SET_EVENTSET	how argument of the posix_trace_set_filter() function	The resulting set of trace event types to be filtered is the trace event type set that the argument set points to.
POSIX_TRACE_START		This event is recorded in the stream on a trace start operation.
POSIX_TRACE_STOP		This event is recorded in the stream on a trace stop operation.
POSIX_TRACE_SUB_EVENTSET	how argument of the posix_trace_set_filter() function	The resulting set of trace event types to be filtered includes all trace event types in the current set. These trace event types are not in the set pointed to by the argument set. Each element of the current set of trace event types is removed from the current filter.
POSIX_TRACE_SUSPENDED	posix_stream_status member of the posix_trace_status_info structure	The tracing operation has not started, or has stopped.
POSIX_TRACE_SYSTEM_EVENTS	what argument of the posix_trace_eventset_fill() function	All the system-trace-event types are included in the set.
POSIX_TRACE_TRUNCATED_READ	posix_truncation_status member of the posix_trace_event_info structure	Data is truncated at the time the trace event is read from a trace stream or a trace log because the reader's buffer is too small.
POSIX_TRACE_TRUNCATED_RECORD	posix_truncation_status member of the posix_trace_event_info structure	Data is truncated at the time the trace event is generated.
POSIX_TRACE_UNNAMED_USER_EVENT		If the per-process user name of the trace event is reached, the POSIX_TRACE_UNNAMED_USEREVENT user trace event is returned on posix_trace_eventid_open() or posix_trace_trid_eventid_open() .
POSIX_TRACE_UNTIL_FULL	streampolicy argument of the posix_trace_attr_getstreamfullpolicy() function	The trace stream runs until the trace stream resources are exhausted; then the trace stream stops.
POSIX_TRACE_UNTIL_FULL	logpolicy argument of the posix_trace_attr_getlogfullpolicy() function	The trace stream is flushed to the trace log until the trace log is full.
POSIX_TRACE_WOPID_EVENTS	what argument of the posix_trace_eventset_fill() function	All the process-independent, system-trace-event types are included in the set.

The following types are defined as described in the header **types.h** file:

```

trace_attr_t
trace_id_t
trace_event_id_t
trace_event_set_t

```

```

int  posix_trace_attr_destroy(trace_attr_t *);
int  posix_trace_attr_getclockres(const trace_attr_t *,
                                struct timespec *);

```



```

int  posix_trace_attr_getcreatetime(const trace_attr_t *,
    struct timespec *);
int  posix_trace_attr_getgenversion(const trace_attr_t *, char *);
int  posix_trace_attr_getinherited(const trace_attr_t *restrict,
    int *restrict);
int  posix_trace_attr_getlogfullpolicy(const trace_attr_t *restrict,
    int *restrict);
int  posix_trace_attr_getlogsize(const trace_attr_t *restrict,
    size_t *restrict);
int  posix_trace_attr_getmaxdatasize(const trace_attr_t *restrict,
    size_t *restrict);
int  posix_trace_attr_getmaxsystemeventsz(const trace_attr_t *restrict,
    size_t *restrict);
int  posix_trace_attr_getmaxusereventsz(const trace_attr_t *restrict,
    size_t, size_t *restrict);
int  posix_trace_attr_getname(const trace_attr_t *, char *);
int  posix_trace_attr_getstreamfullpolicy(const trace_attr_t *restrict,
    int *restrict);
int  posix_trace_attr_getstreamsize(const trace_attr_t *restrict,
    size_t *restrict);
int  posix_trace_attr_init(trace_attr_t *);
int  posix_trace_attr_setinherited(trace_attr_t *, int);
int  posix_trace_attr_setlogfullpolicy(trace_attr_t *, int);
int  posix_trace_attr_setlogsize(trace_attr_t *, size_t);
int  posix_trace_attr_setmaxdatasize(trace_attr_t *, size_t);
int  posix_trace_attr_setname(trace_attr_t *, const char *);
int  posix_trace_attr_setstreamsize(trace_attr_t *, size_t);
int  posix_trace_attr_setstreamfullpolicy(trace_attr_t *, int);
int  posix_trace_clear(trace_id_t);
int  posix_trace_close(trace_id_t);
int  posix_trace_create(pid_t, const trace_attr_t *restrict,
    trace_id_t *restrict);
int  posix_trace_create_withlog(pid_t, const trace_attr_t *restrict,
    int, trace_id_t *restrict);
void posix_trace_event(trace_event_id_t, const void *restrict, size_t);
int  posix_trace_eventid_equal(trace_id_t, trace_event_id_t,
    trace_event_id_t);
int  posix_trace_eventid_get_name(trace_id_t, trace_event_id_t, char *);
int  posix_trace_eventid_open(const char *restrict,
    trace_event_id_t *restrict);
int  posix_trace_eventset_add(trace_event_id_t, trace_event_set_t *);
int  posix_trace_eventset_del(trace_event_id_t, trace_event_set_t *);
int  posix_trace_eventset_empty(trace_event_set_t *);
int  posix_trace_eventset_fill(trace_event_set_t *, int);
int  posix_trace_eventset_ismember(trace_event_id_t,
    const trace_event_set_t *restrict, int *restrict);
int  posix_trace_eventtypelist_getnext_id(trace_id_t,
    trace_event_id_t *restrict, int *restrict);
int  posix_trace_eventtypelist_rewind(trace_id_t);
int  posix_trace_flush(trace_id_t);
int  posix_trace_get_attr(trace_id_t, trace_attr_t *);
int  posix_trace_get_filter(trace_id_t, trace_event_set_t *);
int  posix_trace_get_status(trace_id_t,
    struct posix_trace_status_info *);
int  posix_trace_getnext_event(trace_id_t,
    struct posix_trace_event_info *restrict, void *restrict,
    size_t, size_t *restrict, int *restrict);
int  posix_trace_open(int, trace_id_t *);

```

```

int  posix_trace_rewind(trace_id_t);
int  posix_trace_set_filter(trace_id_t, const trace_event_set_t *, int);
int  posix_trace_shutdown(trace_id_t);
int  posix_trace_start(trace_id_t);
int  posix_trace_stop(trace_id_t);
int  posix_trace_timedgetnext_event(trace_id_t,
    struct posix_trace_event_info *restrict, void *restrict,
    size_t, size_t *restrict, int *restrict,
    const struct timespec *restrict);
int  posix_trace_trid_eventid_open(trace_id_t, const char *restrict,
    trace_event_id_t *restrict);
int  posix_trace_trygetnext_event(trace_id_t,
    struct posix_trace_event_info *restrict, void *restrict, size_t,
    size_t *restrict, int *restrict);

```

Related reference

[types.h File](#)

Related information

[posix_trace_attr_destroy\(\) subroutine](#)

[posix_trace_attr_getclockres\(\) subroutine](#)

[posix_trace_attr_getcreatetime\(\) subroutine](#)

types.h File

Purpose

Defines primitive system data types.

Description

The **/usr/include/sys/types.h** file defines data types used in system source code. Since some system data types are accessible to user code, they can be used to enhance portability across different machines and operating systems. For example, the `pid_t` type allows for more processes than the unsigned short (`ushort_t`) type, and the `dev_t` type can be 16 bits rather than 32 bits.

Standard Type Definitions

The **types.h** file includes the following standard type definitions, which are defined with a **typedef** statement:

Item	Description
<code>daddr_t</code>	Used for disk addresses, except in i-nodes on disk. The /usr/include/sys/filsys.h file format describes the format of disk addresses used in i-nodes.
<code>caddr_t</code>	Core (memory) address.
<code>clock_t</code>	Used for system times as specified in CLK_TCKs .
<code>ino_t</code>	File system i-node number.
<code>cnt_t</code>	File system reference count type.
<code>dev_t</code>	Major and minor parts of a device code specify the kind of device and unit number of the device and depend on how the system is customized.
<code>chan_t</code>	Channel number (the minor's minor).
<code>off_t</code>	File offset, measured in bytes from the beginning of a file or device. <code>off_t</code> is normally defined as a signed, 32-bit integer. In the programming environment which enables large files, <code>off_t</code> is defined to be a signed, 64-bit integer.

Item	Description
offset_t	64-bit file offset, measured in bytes from the beginning of a file or device.
off64_t	64-bit file offset, measured in bytes from the beginning of a file or device.
soff_t	32-bit file offset, measured in bytes from the beginning of a file or device.
paddr_t	Real address.
key_t	IPC key.
time_t	Timer ID. Times are encoded in seconds, since 00:00:00 UCT, January 1, 1970.
nlink_t	Number of file links.
mode_t	File mode.
uid_t	User ID.
gid_t	Group ID.
mid_t	Module ID.
pid_t	Process ID.
slab_t	Security label.
mtyp_t	Interprocess communication (IPC) message type.
size_t	Data type is used for sizes of objects.
ssize_t	Data type is used for a count of bytes or an error indication.
uchar_t	Unsigned char.
ushort_t	Unsigned short.
uint_t	Unsigned int.
ulong_t	Unsigned long.
trace_attr_t	Trace attributes object.
trace_id_t	Trace stream identifier.
trace_event_id_t	Trace-event-type identifier.
trace_event_set_t	Trace-event-type set.

Unsigned Integers and Addresses

The **types.h** file also includes the following type definitions for unsigned integers and addresses:

```
typedef struct      _quad { long val[2]; } quad;
typedef long       swblk_t;
typedef unsigned long size_t;
```

The following type definitions are for BSD compatibility only:

```
typedef unsigned char    u_char;
typedef unsigned short   u_short;
typedef unsigned int     u_int;
typedef unsigned long    u_long;
```

Related reference

[values.h File](#)

[trace.h File](#)

[filsys.h File](#)

uchar.h File

Purpose

Declares types and functions for manipulating the Unicode characters.

Description

The **uchar.h** file declares following types:

char16_t

An unsigned integer type used for 16-bit characters. It is similar to the **uint_least16_t** type.

char32_t

An unsigned integer types used for 32-bit characters. It is similar to **uint_least32_t** type.

The **uchar.h** file also lists the prototype declarations for the following Unicode utility functions:

mbrtoc16(), **mbrtoc32()**, **c16rtomb()**, and **c32rtomb()**.

unistd.h File

Purpose

Defines implementation characteristics identified by POSIX standard.

Description

The **/usr/include/unistd.h** file includes files that contain definitions that are required for compatibility with the POSIX standard:

Item	Description
access.h	Defines symbolic constants for the access subroutine.

The **unistd.h** file also defines symbolic constants for the **pathconf**, **fpathconf**, and **sysconf** subroutines. The **unistd.h** file also defines the following symbols, which are used by POSIX applications to determine implementation characteristics:

Item	Description
_POSIX_JOB_CONTROL	POSIX-compatible job control is supported.
_POSIX_SAVED_IDS	An exec subroutine saves the effective user and group IDs.
_POSIX_VERSION	The version of the POSIX standard with which this version of the operating system complies. The value of this symbol is 198808L.
_POSIX_CHOWN_RESTRICTED	The use of the chown function is restricted to a process with the appropriate privileges. The group ID of a file can be changed only to the effective group ID or a supplementary group ID of the process. The value of this symbol is -1.
_POSIX_VDISABLE	The terminal special characters, which are defined in the termios.h file, can be disabled if this character value is defined by the tcsetattr subroutine. The value of this symbol is -1.
_POSIX_NO_TRUNC	Path name components that are longer than NAME_MAX will generate an error.

The **unistd.h** file also defines the following symbol, which is used by X/OPEN applications:

Item	Description
_XOPEN_VERSION	The version of the X/OPEN standard with which this version of the operating system complies.

Related reference

[fcntl.h File](#)

[flock.h File](#)

[limits.h File](#)

Related information

[access subroutine](#)

[exec subroutine](#)

utmp.h File

Purpose

Defines the structures of certain user and accounting information files.

Description

The structure of the records in the **utmp**, **wtmp**, and **failedlogin** files is defined in the **/usr/include/utmp.h** file. The **utmp** structure in this header file contains the following fields:

Item	Description
ut_user	User login name.
ut_line	Device name (console or lnx). The maximum length of a string in this field is 11 characters plus a null character. When accounting for something other than a process, the following special strings or formats are allowed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> RUNLVL_MSG Run level: specifically, the run level of the process. BOOT_MSG System boot: specifically, the time of the initial program load (IPL). OTIME_MSG Old time: specifically, the time of login. NTIME_MSG New time: specifically, the time idle.
ut_pid	Process ID.

Item	Description
ut_type	Type of entry, which can be one of the following values: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> EMPTY Unused space in file. RUN_LVL The run level of the process, as defined in the inittab file. BOOT_TIME The time at which the system was started. OLD_TIME The time at which a user logged on to the system. NEW_TIME The amount of time the user is idle. INIT_PROCESS A process spawned by the init command. LOGIN_PROCESS A getty process waiting for a login. USER_PROCESS A user process. DEAD_PROCESS A zombie process. ACCOUNTING A system accounting process. UTMAXTYPE ACCOUNTING The largest legal value allowed in the ut_type field.

Embedded within the **utmp** structure is the **exit_status** structure, which contains the following fields:

Item	Description
e_termination	Termination status of a process.
e_exit	Exit status of a process, marked as the DEAD_PROCESS value.
ut_time	Time at which the entry was made.

Examples

```
#ifndef -H-UTMP
#define _H_UTMP
#define UTMP_FILE      "/etc/utmp"
#define WTMP_FILE      "/var/adm/wtmp"
#define ILOG_FILE       "/etc/.ilog"
#define ut_name    ut_user

struct utmp
{
    char ut_user[256];          /* User login name */
    char ut_id[14];            /* /etc/inittab id */
    char ut_line[64];          /* device name (console, lnxx) */
    pid_t ut_pid;              /* process id */
    short ut_type;             /* type of entry */
#if !defined(__64BIT__)
    int __time_t_space;        /* for 32vs64-bit time_t PPC */
#endif
    time_t ut_time;            /* time entry was made */
    struct exit_status
    {
        short e_termination;    /* Process termination status */
        short e_exit;           /* Process exit status */
    }
    ut_exit;                   /* The exit status of a process
```

```

                                * marked as DEAD_PROCESS.
                                */
char ut_host[256];              /* host name */
int __dbl_word_pad;            /* for double word alignment */
int __reservedA[2];
int __reservedV[6];
};

/* Definitions for ut_type */
#define EMPTY 0
#define RUN_LVL 1
#define BOOT_TIME 2
#define OLD_TIME 3
#define NEW_TIME 4
#define INIT_PROCESS 5 /* Process spawned by "init" */
#define LOGIN_PROCESS 6 /* A "getty" process */

/* waitingforlogin */
#define USER_PROCESS 7 /* A user process */
#define DEAD_PROCESS 8
#define ACCOUNTING 9
#define UTMXTYPE ACCOUNTING /* Largest legal value */
                                /* of ut_type */

/* Special strings or formats used in the */
/* "ut_line" field when accounting for */
/* something other than a process. */
/* No string for the ut_line field can be more */
/* than 11 chars + a NULL in length. */

#define RUNLVL_MSG "run-level %c"
#define BOOT_MSG "system boot"
#define OTIME_MSG "old time"
#define TIME_MSG "new time"

#endif /* _H_UTMP */

```

Note: The **who** command extracts information from the **/etc/utmp**, **/var/adm/wtmp**, and **/etc/security/failedlogin** files.

Files

Item	Description
/etc/utmp	The path to the utmp file, which contains a record of users logged in to the system.
/var/adm/wtmp	The path to the wtmp file, which contains accounting information about logged-in users.
/etc/security/failedlogin	The path to the failedlogin file, which contains a list of invalid login attempts.

Related reference

[utmp, wtmp, failedlogin File Format](#)

Related information

[getty command](#)

values.h File

Purpose

Defines machine-dependent values.

Description

The **/usr/include/values.h** file contains a set of constants that are conditionally defined for particular processor architectures. The model for integers is assumed to be a ones or twos complement binary representation, in which the sign is represented by the value of the high-order bit.

Item	Description
BITS (<i>type</i>)	Number of bits in the specified data type
HIBITS	Short integer with only the high-order bit set (0x8000)
HIBITL	Long integer with only the high-order bit set (0x80000000)
HIBITI	Regular integer with only the high-order bit set (same as the HIBITL value)
MAXSHORT	Maximum value of a signed short integer (0x7FFF = 32,767)
MAXLONG	Maximum value of a signed long integer (0x7FFFFFFF = 2,147,483,647)
MAXINT	Maximum value of a signed regular integer (same as the MAXLONG value)
MAXFLOAT	Maximum value of a single-precision floating-point number
MAXDOUBLE	Maximum value of a double-precision floating-point number
LN_MAXDOUBLE	Natural logarithm of the MAXDOUBLE value
MINFLOAT	Minimum positive value of a single-precision floating-point number
MINDOUBLE	Minimum positive value of a double-precision floating-point number
FSIGNIF	Number of significant bits in the mantissa of a single-precision floating-point number
DSIGNIF	Number of significant bits in the mantissa of a double-precision floating-point number
FMAXEXP	Maximum exponent of a single-precision floating-point number
DMAXEXP	Maximum exponent of a double-precision floating-point number
FMINEXP	Minimum exponent of a single-precision floating-point number
DMINEXP	Minimum exponent of a double-precision floating-point number
FMAXPOWTWO	Largest power of two that can be exactly represented as a single-precision floating-point number
DMAXPOWTWO	Largest power of two that can be exactly represented as a double-precision floating-point number

Related reference

[limits.h File](#)

[math.h File](#)

[types.h File](#)

vmount.h File

Purpose

Defines the structure of the data associated with a virtual file system.

Description

The **/usr/include/sys/vmount.h** file defines the **vmount** structure. Each active virtual file system (VFS) has a **vmount** structure associated with it. The **vmount** structure contains the mount parameters (such as the mount object and the mounted-over object) for that VFS. The **vmount** data is created when the VFS is mounted. The **mntctl** subroutine returns the VFS data.

The **vmount** structure contains the following fields to describe fixed-length data:

Item	Description
vmt_revision	The revision code in effect when the program that created this VFS was compiled.
vmt_length	The total length of the structure and data. This will always be a multiple of the word size (4 bytes).
vmt_fsid	The two-word file system identifier; the interpretation of this identifier depends on the vmt_gfstype field.
vmt_vfsnumber	The unique identifier of the VFS. Virtual file systems and their identifiers are deleted at IPL (initial program load).
vmt_time	The time at which the VFS was created.
vmt_flags	The general mount flags, for example: READONLY , REMOVABLE , DEVICE , REMOTE .
vmt_gfstype	The type of the general file system. Possible values are: MNT_JFS Journaled file system (JFS) MNT_NFS SUN network file system MNT_CDROM CD-ROM file system

The remaining fields in the **vmount** structure describe variable-length data. Each entry in the vmt_data array specifies the offset from the start of the **vmount** structure at which a data item appears, as well as the length of the data item.

Item	Description
vmt_off	Offset of the data, aligned on a word (32-bit) boundary.
vmt_size	Actual size of the data in bytes.
vmt_data[VMT_OBJECT]	Name of the device, directory, or file that is mounted.
vmt_data[VMT_STUB]	Name of the device, directory, or file that is mounted over.
vmt_data[VMT_HOST]	Short (binary) name of the host that owns the mounted object.
vmt_data[VMT_HOSTNAME]	Long (character) name of the host that owns the mounted object.
vmt_data[VMT_INFO]	Binary information passed to the file system implementation that supports this object; the contents of this field are specific to the generic file system (GFS) type defined by the vmt_gfstype field.
vmt_data[VMT_ARGS]	Character-string representation of the arguments supplied when the VFS was created.

Related reference

[fullstat.h File](#)

Related information

[mntctl subroutine](#)

[vmount or mount subroutine](#)

wctype.h File

Purpose

Contains wide-character classification and mapping utilities.

Syntax

#include <wctype.h>

Description

The **wctype.h** header defines the following data types through typedef:

Item	Description
wint_t	As described in wchar.h .
wctrans_t	A scalar type that can hold values that represent locale-specific character mappings.
wctype_t	As described in wchar.h .

The **wctype.h** header declares the following as functions and may also define them as macros. Function prototypes must be provided for use with an ISO C compiler.

```
int iswalnum(wint_t);
int iswalpha(wint_t);
int iswcntrl(wint_t);
int iswdigit(wint_t);
int iswgraph(wint_t);
int iswlower(wint_t);
int iswprint(wint_t);
int iswpunct(wint_t);
int iswspace(wint_t);
int iswupper(wint_t);
int iswxdigit(wint_t);
int iswctype(wint_t, wctype_t);
wint_t towctrans(wint_t, wctrans_t);
wint_t tolower(wint_t);
wint_t toupper(wint_t);
wctrans_t wctrans(const char *);
wctype_t wctype(const char *);
```

The **wctype.h** defines the following macro name:

Item	Description
WEOF	Constant expression of type wint_t that is returned by several MSE functions to indicate end-of-file.

For all functions described in this header that accept an argument of type **wint_t**, the value will be representable as a **wchar_t** or will equal the value of **WEOF**. If this argument has any other value, the behaviour is undefined.

The behaviour of these functions is affected by the LC_CTYPE category of the current locale.

Inclusion of the **wctype.h** header may make visible all symbols from the headers **ctype.h**, **stdio.h**, **stdarg.h**, **stdlib.h**, **string.h**, **stddef.h** **time.h** and **wchar.h**.

Related information

[iswalnum, iswalpha, iswcntrl, iswdigit, iswgraph, iswlower, iswprint, iswpunct, iswspace, iswupper, iswxdigit subroutine](#)
[iswctype subroutine](#)

wlm.h File

Purpose

Defines the constants, data structures and function prototypes used by the Workload Manager (WLM) Application Programming Interface (API) subroutines.

Description

The **wlm.h** file defines the **wlm_args**, **wlm_assign**, **wlm_info**, **wlm_bio_class_info_t**, and **wlm_bio_dev_info_t**, and **wlm_proc_info** structures. These structures are used by the WLM API functions in the **libwlm.a** library.

The wlm_args Structure

The **wlm_args** structure is used to pass class information to WLM when using the API functions to create, modify or delete a class. The **wlm_args** structure contains the following fields:

versflags

Specifies the 4 high-order bits that contain a version number used by the API to maintain binary compatibility if the data structures are ever modified. The rest of the integer is used to pass flags to the subroutines when needed.

This field should be initialized with a logical **OR** operation between the version number **WLM_VERSION** and whatever flags are needed by the target subroutine. One flag common to all the API calls is **WLM_MUTE**, which is used to suppress the output of error messages from the WLM library to **STDERR**.

confdir

Specifies a null-terminated string. This field must be initialized with the name of the WLM configuration to which the target subroutine applies (when applicable, depending on the particular one).

Alternatively, this field can be set to a null string (`\0`). The null string indicates that the class addition or modification is to be applied only to the WLM kernel data, not to the class description files.

class

This field is a structure of type **struct class_definition** that contains all the information pertaining to the superclass or subclass that is needed by the target subroutine. The fields in this structure can be initialized by a call to the **wlm_init_class_definition** subroutine so that you only need to initialize the fields you wish to modify.

The main structure in the **wlm_init_class_definition** subroutine is the class description, **struct class_descr**, with the following fields:

res

Specifies an array of type **struct wlm_bounds** that contains the following fields for each resource type and for each total limit:

iopriority

Specifies the priority for I/O requests that are issued by the threads that are classified to the class. This priority is used to prioritize I/O buffers at the device level. Valid I/O priorities range from 0 through 15.

min

Specifies the minimum value, which is between 0 (the default) and 100 (unused for total limits).

shares

Specifies the shares number, which is a value between 1 and 65535. The value -1 (default) indicates that the given resource is not managed by WLM for the class (unused for total limits).

wlmu

The union which contains the softmax (for all resources but total limits) and unit (for total limits only) fields:

softmax

Specifies the soft maximum limit, which is a value between 0 and 100 (default). The value must be greater than or equal to the value of the **min** field.

unit

A string (3 characters maximum) that specifies the units that apply to the hardmax value for total limits. To let the units remain undefined, set the softmax field to

WLM_UNIT_UNDEF. For **WLM_RES_TOTALCONNECT** and **WLM_RES_TOTALCPU**, the default unit is "s" (seconds) and other values are "m" (minutes), "h" (hours), "d" (days), and "w" (weeks). For **WLM_RES_TOTALDISKIO**, the default unit is "KB" (kilobytes) and other values are "MB" (megabytes), "GB" (gigabytes), "TB" (terabytes), "PB" (petabytes), "EB" (exabytes). The other total limits do not have units. For **WLM_RES_TOTALVMEM** and **WLM_RES_PROCVMEM**, set the unit to "MB", "GB", and "TB".

hardmax

For all resources but total limits. Specifies the hard maximum limit, which is a value between 0 and 100 (default). The value must be greater than or equal to each of the values of the **min** and **softmax** fields. For total limits, this parameter specifies their value, possibly along with the **unit** field. If the user does not specify a units value, the default units value is used. However, the user can specify a units value other than the default. The default (total limit unspecified) is **WLM_HARDMAX_UNDEF**.

The resource types are defined as **WLM_RES_CPU**, **WLM_RES_MEM**, **WLM_RES_BIO**, and total limits are defined as **WLM_RES_TOTALCPU** (total CPU time for a process), **WLM_RES_TOTALDISKIO** (total disk IOs for a process), **WLM_RES_TOTALCONNECT** (total Connection time), **WLM_RES_TOTALPROC** (total number of processes), **WLM_RES_TOTALTHRD** (total number of Threads), **WLM_RES_TOTALLOGIN** (total number of login sessions), **WLM_RES_TOTALVMEM** (total virtual memory usage for a class) and **WLM_RES_PROCVMEM** (total virtual memory usage for a process). Each value represents the index in the array of the element, corresponding to the type of resource or total limit.

tier

Specifies the tier number for the class, which is a value between 0 (default) and 9

inheritance

Specifies how a new process is classified. A value of 0 (the default) indicates that a new process should be classified using the class assignment rules when calling the **exec** subroutine. A value of 1 indicates that the process inherits the class assignment from its parent process.

localshm

Indicates whether memory segments in this class remain local to the class (value 1) or if they go to the Shared class (value 0, the default), when accessed by a process belonging to another class.

assign_uid

Specifies the user ID of the user allowed to manually assign processes to the class. The value must be a valid user ID.

The default when this attribute is not specified is that no user is authorized (WLM_NOGUID).

assign_gid

Specifies the group ID of the users allowed to manually assign processes to the class. The value must be a valid group ID. The value must be a valid group ID. The default when this attribute is not specified is that no group is authorized (WLM_NOGUID).

If both the **assign_uid** and **assign_gid** fields are the default value, only the root user can assign processes to the class.

admin_uid

Specifies the user ID of the user allowed to administer the subclasses of the superclass (this attribute is valid only for superclasses)

admin_gid

Specifies the group ID of the users allowed to administer the subclasses of the superclass (this attribute is valid only for superclasses)

If both the **admin_uid** and **admin_gid** fields are left to their default value (WLM_NOGUID), only the root user can administer the subclasses of this superclass.

name

Specifies the null-terminated full name of the class. The value must be in the format *super_name* for a superclass and *super_name.sub_name* for a subclass. The superclass name and subclass name are limited to 16 characters each. This field has no default value.

In addition to the class description fields, the **class_definition** structure adds two more fields:

rset_name

Specifies a null-terminated character string containing the name of the resource set (partition) that the class is restricted to, when applicable. The default is that the class can access all the resources on the system.

descr_field

Specifies a null-terminated character string containing the description text of the class. This field is optional and has no default.

delshm

Specifies whether to delete shared memory segments if the last process referencing the segment was killed due to a virtual memory limit. Valid values are "yes" and "no" (default).

vmenforce

Specifies whether the faulting process (value "proc", default) or all processes in a class (value "class") are killed when a virtual memory limit is reached.

The wlm_assign Structure

The **wlm_assign** structure is used to manually assign processes or groups of processes to a specified superclass or subclass using the **wlm_assign** subroutine. The **wlm_assign** structure contains the following fields:

Item	Description
wa_versflags	Specifies the 4 high-order bits containing a version number. This version number is used by the API to maintain binary compatibility if the data structures are ever modified. The rest of the integer is used to pass flags to the subroutines when needed. This field should be initialized with the version number WLM_VERSION . The flag WLM_MUTE can be used to suppress the output of error messages from the WLM library on stderr .
wa_pids	Specifies the address of an array containing the process identifiers (PIDs) of the processes to be manually assigned
wa_pid_count	Specifies the number of PIDs in the array above
wa_pgids	Specifies the address of an array containing the process group IDs (PGIDs) of the process groups to be manually assigned
wa_pgid_count	Specifies the number of PGIDs in the array above
wa_classname	Specifies the full name of the superclass or the subclass of the class to which you want to manually assign processes

The wlm_info Structure

The **wlm_info** structure is used to extract information about the current configuration parameters and current resource utilization of the active classes using the **wlm_get_info** subroutine. The **wlm_info** structure contains the following fields:

Item	Description
i_descr	Specifies the class description of type struct class_descr

Item	Description
i_regul	<p>Specifies the per-resource-type array of structures, which are of the type struct wlm_regul, containing the following fields:</p> <p>consum Specifies the resource consumption of the class. This value is expressed as a percentage of the total resource available.</p> <p>total Specifies the 64-bit number that represents the total amount of the resource consumed by the class since its creation (or since WLM was started). The value can be the number of milliseconds for CPU or the total number of 512-byte blocks for disk I/O. This field is left null (not significant) for memory.</p> <p>The indexes into the array of the various resources are defined as WLM_RES_CPU, WLM_RES_MEM and WLM_RES_BIO.</p>
i_class_id	Specifies the class identifier (index of the class in the kernel <i>class_control_block</i> (ccb) table)
i_cl_pri	Specifies the priority delta applied to the threads in the class for CPU regulation
i_cl_inuse	Specifies the current number of processes in the class
i_cl_nblogins	Specifies the current number of logins in the class.
i_cl_nbthreads	Specifies the current number of threads in the class.
i_cl_npages	Specifies the number of memory pages currently allocated to the class
i_cl_nvpages	Specifies the total virtual memory usage for the class.
i_cl_nvpagehi	Specifies the virtual memory usage high water mark.
i_cl_mem_hwm	Specifies the maximum number of resident memory pages this class had since its creation (memory high water mark)
i_cl_change_level	Specifies the number of increments each time a change in the current WLM configuration occurs. This field is used by the WLM monitoring tools.

The **wlm_bio_class_info_t** and **wlm_bio_dev_info_t** Structures

Two structures can be used to get the I/O statistics using the **wlm_get_bio_stats** subroutine, depending on whether the application wants per-class or per-device statistics.

The **wlm_bio_class_info_t** structure is used to gather I/O statistics per class and per device. The **wlm_bio_class_info_t** structure contains the following fields:

Item	Description
wbc_dev	Specifies the device identifier (<i>dev_t</i>)
wbc_cid	Specifies the class identifier (index of the class in the kernel <i>class_control_block</i> table). Connecting the class ID and the class name can be performed by using the wlm_get_info subroutine. This subroutine returns the class name (in the i_descr field) and the class ID (in the i_class_id field) in the wlm_info structure.
wbc_regul	<p>Specifies a structure of type struct wlm_regul, which contains for the given class and device the following disk I/O statistics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Resource utilization, which is expressed as a percentage of the total available throughput of the device (consum) Total number of 512-byte blocks read/written from and to the device by processes in the class since it was created, or since WLM started, whichever happened most recently

Item	Description
wbc_delay	Specifies in milliseconds the delay imposed on the I/Os of the processes in the class to the device. This delay is intended to limit utilization by class when it is consuming more than its entitled share.

The **wlm_bio_dev_info_t** structure is used to gather the global statistics for a given device, taking into account all I/Os to and from the device by all the classes accessing the device. This structure contains the following fields:

Item	Description
wbd_dev	Specifies the device identifier (<i>dev_t</i>)
wbd_active_cntrl	Specifies the number of classes actively accessing the device
wbd_in_queue	Specifies the number of requests in the device queue
wbd_last	Specifies the device statistics for IOs that occurred during the last second. This field is an array of integer values. The following symbolic values defined in the wlm.h file describe each index in the array:
	Index
	Description
	WBS_OUT_RTHRPUT Specifies the number of blocks actually read from the device (I/O completed)
	WBS_OUT_WTHRPUT Specifies the number of blocks actually written to the device (I/O completed)
	WBS_IN_RTHRPUT Specifies the requested number of blocks to be read from the device
	WBS_IN_WTHRPUT Specifies the requested number of blocks to write to the device
	WBS_REQUESTS Specifies the number of read/write requests
	WBS_QUEUED Specifies the number of requests queued
	WBS_STARVED Specifies the number of requests starved (not serviced during the time interval)
wbd_max	Contains the maximum values observed since the device was first used (after WLM was started) for all the entries of the array being described. For instance, the wbd_max field could contain the maximum number of blocks actually read from the device in one second since the device was first accessed.
wbd_av	Contains the average values for all the entries in the array, such as the average number of requests in the device queue
wbd_total	Specifies an array of 64-bit integers. This array is parallel to the arrays that, for every entry, contain the total of all the values measured every second since the device was first accessed. For instance, the value could represent the total number of blocks written to the device since the device was first accessed.

The wlm_proc_info Structure

The **wlm_proc_info** structure is used to extract Workload Manager information about a process using the **wlm_get_procinfo** subroutine. The **totalconnecttime**, **termtime**, **totalcputime**, **totaldiskio** fields are only meaningful when the total process limits are enabled. The **wlm_proc_info** structure contains the following fields:

version

This field should be initialized with **WLM_VERSION**.

wlmflags

Specifies some Workload Manager properties of the process, such as process with a rset **SWLMRSET** or as tag inheritance on fork **SWLMTAGINHERITFORK** or on exec **SWLMTAGINHERITEXEC**.

totalconnecttime

Specifies the 64-bit number that represents the amount of time (in seconds) for which the login session has been active.

totalvmem

Specifies the total amount of virtual memory used by the process in MBs.

termtime

Specifies the 64-bit number that represents the time (in seconds from 1970) when the process has been requested to terminate.

totalcputime

Specifies the 64-bit number that represents the amount of the CPU consumption (in microseconds) of the process.

totaldiskio

Specifies the 64-bit number that represents the amount of IO (in 512 bytes blocks) the process has run.

classname

Specifies the full name of the superclass or the subclass in which the process is classified.

tag

Specifies the character string associated with the process, if any (see **wlm_set_tag** subroutine).

Error Codes

The various WLM API subroutines may return one or several of the following error codes:

Item	Description
WLM_ALREADYINIT	A call to the wlm_initialize subroutine has already been made
WLM_ATTERR	Attribute format error
WLM_ATTGPATTR	Attribute Value Grouping not allowed in attributes
WLM_ATTGPMISS	Cannot find Attribute Value Grouping definition
WLM_ATTGPTOOLNG	Attribute Value Grouping too long
WLM_BADATTAPP	Could not access file (application field of attributes)
WLM_BADATTGP	Bad format for Attribute Value Grouping
WLM_BADATTGRP	Unknown group in attributes
WLM_BADATTTAG	Invalid tag in attributes
WLM_BADATTTYP	Invalid process type in attributes
WLM_BADATTUSR	Unknown user in attributes
WLM_BADCLNAME	Bad class name
WLM_BADCNAME	Class names must be alphanumeric
WLM_BADCONFIG	Invalid configuration name

Item	Description
WLM_BADDEFLIM	Default limits value that is specified in the limits file is invalid
WLM_BADDEFSHR	Default shares value that is specified in the shares file is invalid
WLM_BADFLAGS	Invalid flags value
WLM_BADGID	The specified group ID is not valid on the system
WLM_BADGRP	The specified group ID is not valid on the system
WLM_BADINHER	The value specified for the class inheritance attribute is invalid
WLM_BADHARDTOTALLIMIT	Invalid total limit (under minimum)
WLM_BADHMAX	The hard maximum limit values must be between 1 and 100
WLM_BADLIMFMT	Value specified for minimum or maximum resource limit is invalid
WLM_BADLISATT	Invalid list in attributes
WLM_BADLIST	The process attribute list of an assignment rules is invalid
WLM_BADLOCALSHM	Bad localshm value
WLM_BADMIN	Minimum resource limits values must be between 0 and 100
WLM_BADRANGEF	Invalid format for a time range
WLM_BADRGRP	A group name specified in the rules file is invalid on the system
WLM_BADRSET	Bad Rset attribute for a class
WLM_BADRUSR	A user name specified in the rules file is invalid on the system
WLM_BADSHARES	Shares values must be between 1 and 65535
WLM_BADSMAX	The soft maximum limit values must be between 1 and 100

Item	Description
WLM_BADSHRFMT	Value specified for resource shares is invalid
WLM_BADSUBLIMIT	A subclass total limit exceeds its superclass limit: The superclass limit will be used (warning)
WLM_BADSUPER	Bad superclass for subclass assignment
WLM_BADTIER	Tier values must be between 0 and 9
WLM_BADTAG	An invalid tag is specified in a rule
WLM_BADTYP	Invalid process type in rules
WLM_BADUID	The specified user ID is not valid on the system
WLM_BADUSR	The specified user ID is not valid on the system
WLM_BADVERS	Bad version number passed in the versflags field
WLM_CANTASSIGN	Could not make assignment (Internal error)
WLM_CANTCHECK	Unable to check the configuration
WLM_CANTSETTAG	Could not set tag (Internal error)
WLM_CHOWNERR	Cannot change file ownership
WLM_CLASSLIMIT	A class total (process, thread, or login) limit has been reached
WLM_CLASSMIS	No class description found
WLM_CONFNOTFND	No configuration found for this time

Item	Description
WLM_CONFNOTINSET	Configuration not found in the set
WLM_CREATERR	A file could not be created
WLM_DAEMONCMD	Invalid WLM daemon command
WLM_DAEMONFAIL	WLM daemon failed to update configuration
WLM_DUPKEY	2 classes have the same key (warning)
WLM_EFAULT	Bad parameter address
WLM_EMPTYATTR	No valid process attributes found
WLM_EMPTYRULE	None of the file names specified in the application field of an assignment rule could be accessed. The rule is ignored (warning).
WLM_EPERM	Permission denied
WLM_ESRCH	No such processes
WLM_EXCLATTR	Exclusions not allowed in attributes
WLM_EXISTS	The specified class already exists
WLM_HASSUBS	The target superclass has subclasses
WLM_IGNRULE	This rule is likely to be ignored (warning)
WLM_ISCONFSET	This operation cannot apply to a configuration set
WLM_INVRANGE	Invalid time range
WLM_ISLOCKED	WLM configuration is locked: retry the operation later
WLM_LOADERR	A class cannot be loaded into the kernel

Item	Description
WLM_LOCKERR	Cannot lock file
WLM_MANYRULES	Too many assignment rules
WLM_MANYITEMS	Too many items in an assignment rule
WLM_MAXCLASSES	The maximum number of classes has been reached
WLM_MINSMAX	The minimum limit cannot be greater than the soft maximum limit
WLM_MKDIRERR	A directory could not be created
WLM_MULTATTGP	Attribute Value Grouping already defined
WLM_MULTATTR	Multiple specifications not allowed in attributes
WLM_NOADMINSUB	Admin attributes not applicable to subclasses
WLM_NOCLASS	The specified class does not exist
WLM_NOCONFIG	Missing configuration name
WLM_NOCONFINSET	No configuration in the set
WLM_NOCONNECT	Failure to connect to WLM daemon
WLM_NODAEMON	Failure to start WLM daemon
WLM_NOMEM	Not enough memory
WLM_NOSHR LIM	Cannot specify a total memory limit for Shared class
WLM_NOSHRRULE	Cannot specify rule for Shared class

Item	Description
WLM_NOSUBS	The target superclass has no subclasses
WLM_NOSYSLIM	Cannot specify a total memory limit for System class
WLM_NOSYSMAX	Hardmax not allowed on memory for System class
WLM_NOTASSGND	Process is not assigned
WLM_NOTCOMPLETE	Could not assign all processes (warning)
WLM_NOTCURRENT	Superclass update only applies to current configuration
WLM_NOTINITED	No prior call to the wlm_initialize subroutine
WLM_NOTRUNNING	WLM is not running
WLM_NOWILDCRD	Wildcards not allowed in this field
WLM_ONEDFAULT	Only one default time range allowed in a set
WLM_OPENERR	A file could not be opened
WLM_QUERYERR	Cannot query WLM state
WLM_READERR	Cannot read file
WLM_REFRULE	A class is still referred to by rules
WLM_REMERR	An attempt to remove a file did not succeed
WLM_RENAMERR	An attempt to rename a file did not succeed
WLM_RMPREDEF	Predefined classes (such as Default and System) cannot be removed
WLM_RNOCLASS	A class specified in the rules file does not exist

Item	Description
WLM_RSVDNAME	Predefined classes cannot be redefined
WLM_RULERR	An assignment rule has an invalid format
WLM_RULESERR	The assignment rules table cannot be loaded into the kernel
WLM_RULTOOLNG	Rule too long
WLM_RUNERR	The WLM library was not able to execute a command needed for the specific function. This is not an application error, but most likely a system administration problem. The commands used by the library are basic operating system commands such as the lsuser , lsgroup , echo , and grep commands.
WLM_RUNERRATT	Cannot expand attribute
WLM_SETERR	The WLM state transition requested is illegal
WLM_SHAREDLM	Shared class can have shares and limits set only for memory
WLM_SHAREDSUB	Shared superclass cannot have subclasses
WLM_SMAXHMAX	The soft maximum limit cannot be greater than the hard maximum limit
WLM_STATERR	One or more file name(s) specified in the application field of an assignment rule could not be accessed. The corresponding name(s) are ignored (warning)
WLM_SUBINVALID	No subclass specification allowed for this operation

Item	Description
WLM_SUMMINS	The sum that the minimum limits for a given resource and a given tier cannot exceed 100%
WLM_SYMLERR	An attempt to create a symbolic link did not succeed
WLM_TAGTOOLONG	Tag is too long
WLM_TOOLONG	The specified class name is too long
WLM_TOOLONGATT	Attribute list too long
WLM_TOOMANYATT	Too many items in attributes
WLM_TOOMANYPID	Process ID list too long
WLM_TOOSMALL	Output buffer too small
WLM_TOTALLIMITOUTOFRANGE	Invalid total limit (outside allowed range)
WLM_TRGAPS	Gaps between time ranges in a configuration set
WLM_TRINDEFAULT	Time range not allowed in default stanza
WLM_TROVERLAP	Time ranges overlap in a configuration set
WLM_UNLOADERR	Cannot unload class
WLM_UNSUPP	Operation or flags value not supported
WLM_WILDCRDATT	Wildcards not allowed in this attribute field
WLM_WRITERR	An attempt to write to a file did not succeed

Related information

[wlm_init_class_definition subroutine](#)

[Workload management](#)

Directories

Information that is needed by several different files or functions is collected into a header file. A header file contains C-language definitions and structures. Centralizing information into a header file facilitates the creation and update of programs. Because **#include** statements are used to insert header files into a C-language program, header files are often referred to as include files.

Because directories often contain information that should not be available to all users of the system, directory access can be protected. See [File ownership and user groups](#) in *Operating system and device management* for more information.

Understanding Types of Directories

Directories can be defined by the system or the system administrator, or you can define your own directories. The system-defined directories contain specific kinds of system files, such as commands. At the top of the file system hierarchy is the system-defined root directory. The root directory is represented by a / (slash) and usually contains the following standard system-related directories:

Item	Description
/admin	Filesystem created by the root user at system installation. This filesystem is used for root privilege process for temporary space for security. The /admin filesystem is defined on the implemented /dev/hd11admin system logical volume. The discretionary access control mode of the /admin filesystem is 755. Only the root user can write the /admin directory.

Item	Description
/admin/tmp	Root directory used by several root privilege processes to write temporary files. A root privileged process is a process that is started by a command with the setuid or setgid parameter, by a binary, or by a script with root system ownership. The discretionary access control mode of the /admin/tmp directory is 755. Only root users can write the /admin/tmp directory.
/bin	Symbolic link to the /usr/bin directory. In prior UNIX file systems, the /bin directory contained user commands that now reside in /usr/bin in the new file structure.
/dev	Contains device nodes for special files for local devices. The /dev directory contains special files for tape drives, printers, disk partitions, and terminals.
/etc	<p>Contains configuration files that vary for each machine. Examples include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • /etc/hosts • /etc/passwd <p>The /etc directory contains the files generally used in system administration. Most of the commands that used to reside in the /etc directory now reside in the /usr/sbin directory. However, for compatibility, it contains symbolic links to the new locations of some executable files. Examples include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • /etc/chown is a symbolic link to the /usr/bin/chown. • /etc/exportvg is a symbolic link to the /usr/sbin/exportvg.
/export	Contains the directories and files on a server that are for remote clients.
/home	<p>Serves as a mount point for a file system containing user home directories. The /home file system contains per-user files and directories.</p> <p>In a standalone machine, a separate local file system is mounted over the /home directory. In a network, a server might contain user files that should be accessible from several machines. In this case, the server's copy of the /home directory is remotely mounted onto a local /home file system.</p>
/lib	Symbolic link to the /usr/lib directory, which contains architecture-independent libraries with names in the form lib*.a .
/proc/sys	Files in /proc/sys are used internally for kernel tuning and statistics gathering.
/sbin	Contains files needed to boot the machine and mount the /usr file system. Most of the commands used during booting come from the boot image's RAM disk file system; therefore, very few commands reside in the /sbin directory.
/tmp	Serves as a mount point for a file system that contains system-generated temporary files.
/u	Symbolic link to the /home directory.
/usr	<p>Serves as a mount point for a file system containing files that do not change and can be shared by machines (such as executables and ASCII documentation).</p> <p>Standalone machines mount a separate local file system over the /usr directory. Diskless and disk-poor machines mount a directory from a remote server over the /usr file system.</p>
/var	Serves as a mount point for files that vary on each machine. The /var file system is configured as a file system since the files it contains tend to grow. For example, it is a symbolic link to the /usr/tmp directory, which contains temporary work files.

Some directories, such as your login or home directory (**\$HOME**), are defined and customized by the system administrator. When you log in to the operating system, the login directory is the current directory.

If you change directories using the **cd** command without specifying a directory name, the login directory becomes the current directory.

Related information

[Files, Directories, and File Systems for Programmers](#)
[Directories](#)

/etc/locks Directory

Purpose

Contains lock files that prevent multiple uses of communications devices and multiple calls to remote systems.

Description

The **/etc/locks** directory contains files that lock communications devices and remote systems so that another user cannot access them when they are already in use. Other programs check the **/etc/locks** directory for lock files before attempting to use a particular device or call a specific system.

A lock file is a file placed in the **/etc/locks** directory when a program uses a communications device or contacts a remote system. The file contains the process ID number (PID) of the process that creates it.

The Basic Networking Utilities (BNU) program and other communications programs create a device lock file whenever a connection to a remote system, established over the specified device, is actually in use. The full path name of a device lock file is:

/etc/locks/DeviceName

where the *DeviceName* extension is the name of a device, such as `tty3`.

When the BNU **uucico** daemon, **cu** command, or **tip** command places a call to a remote system, it puts a system lock file in the **/etc/locks** directory. The full path name of a system lock file is:

/etc/locks/SystemName

where the *SystemName* extension is the name of a remote system, such as `hera`. The system lock file prevents more than one connection at a time to the same remote system.

Under normal circumstances, the communications software automatically removes the lock file when the user or program ends the connection to a remote system. However, if a process executing on the specified device or system does not complete its run (for example, if the computer crashes), the lock file remains in the **/etc/locks** directory either until the file is removed manually or until the system is restarted after a shutdown.

Related information

[connect command](#)
[pdelay command](#)
[uucico command](#)

/usr/lib/hcon Directory

Purpose

Contains files used by the Host Connection Program (HCON).

Description

The **/usr/lib/hcon** directory contains files used by the Host Connection Program (HCON). It contains [color](#) and [keyboard definition files](#), [terminal definition files](#), [HCON API subdirectories](#), [AUTOLOG example scripts](#), [configuration data base files](#), and the [command to start the HCON subsystem](#).

Color and Keyboard Definition Files

The following files contain data used to define and customize the HCON color and keyboard definition tables:

File	Contents
<u>e789_ctbl</u>	Default binary color-definition table
<u>e789_ktbl</u>	Default binary keyboard-definition table

The color and keyboard definition tables in the **/usr/lib/hcon** directory specify defaults for use by HCON emulator sessions. The **hconutil** command allows users to customize color and keyboard definition tables.

Terminal Definition Files

The HCON installation process creates a **terminfo** subdirectory in the **/usr/lib/hcon** directory. The **/usr/lib/hcon/terminfo** directory contains terminal definition files that are specific to HCON. When HCON is installed, the **terminfo** directory contains the following files:

File	Contents
ibm.ti.H	Terminal definitions for LFT, 5081, 3151, 3161, 3162, 3163, and 3164 terminals.
dec.ti.H	Terminal definitions for DEC VT100 and DEC VT220 terminals.
wyse.ti.H	Terminal definition for the WYSE WY-50 and WYSE WY-60 terminals.

The **terminfo** binary files for HCON terminal definitions are in subdirectories of the **/usr/lib/hcon/terminfo** directory. Each subdirectory is named with the first letter of the terminal name. When HCON is installed, the **terminfo** directory contains the following subdirectories:

Subdirectory	Contents
a	Binary terminal definition file for running within the operating system windows
h	Binary terminal definition files for color and monochrome LFT
i	Binary terminal definition files for the 5081, 3151, 3161, 3162, and 3163 terminals
j	Binary terminal definition file for use with operating system windows
v	Binary terminal definition files for the DEC VT100 and DEC VT220 terminals
w	Binary terminal definition files for the WYSE WY-50 and WYSE WY-60 terminals

In addition to those delivered with HCON, the **/usr/lib/hcon/terminfo** subdirectory can contain customized terminal definitions.

HCON API Subdirectories

The HCON installation process creates two subdirectories in the **/usr/lib/hcon** directory that contain files used by the HCON API:

Directory	Contents
mvs	API programs to use in interfacing to MVS/TSO host systems, including the instalapi program
vm	API programs to use in interfacing to VM/CMS host systems, including the instalapi program

AUTOLOG Example Scripts

The **/usr/lib/hcon** directory contains several example files for the AUTOLOG facility. These files are:

File	Contents
logform	Example genprof form for creating AUTOLOG procedures
SYStso	Example AUTOLOG script for MVS/TSO host
SYSvm1	Example AUTOLOG script for VM/CMS host
SYSvm2	Example AUTOLOG script for VM/CMS host

Configuration Data Base Files

The following files contain HCON configuration information. This information is used by HCON programs, by the Object Data Manager (ODM), and by the HCON configuration commands, which are called by the System Management Interface Tool (SMIT).

File	Contents
sysdfalts	HCON database system defaults
sysdfalts.vc	HCON database system defaults
users	HCON users database

Command to Start the HCON Subsystem

The **sthcondmn** command is used to start the **hcondmn** subsystem after HCON has been installed.

Files

Item	Description
/usr/lib/hcon/terminfo directory	Contains terminal definitions.

/var/spool/mqueue Directory for Mail

Purpose

Contains the **log** file and temporary files associated with the messages in the mail queue.

Description

The **/var/spool/mqueue** directory contains temporary files associated with the messages in the mail queue and may contain the **log** file. For further information, see the **syslogd** daemon.

Temporary files have names that include the mail queue ID (*MQID*) of the message for which the file was created:

Item	Description
dfMQID	Data file
lfMQID	Lock file
nfMQID	Backup file
qfMQID	Queue control file
tfMQID	Temporary control file
xfMQID	Transcript file for session

Related information

[sendmail command](#)

[Mail queue concepts and tasks](#)

/var/spool/uucp Directory for BNU

Purpose

Stores Basic Networking Utilities (BNU) log, administrative, command, data, and execute files in multiple subdirectories.

Description

The **/var/spool/uucp** directory, also known as the BNU spooling directory, is the parent directory for multiple work directories created by the Basic Networking Utilities (BNU) program to facilitate file transfers among systems.

The following directories are subdirectories of the **/var/spool/uucp** directory:

Item	Description
<u>.Admin</u>	Contains four administrative files, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• audit• <u>Foreign</u>• <u>errors</u>• <u>xferstats</u>
<u>.Corrupt</u>	Contains copies of files that could not be processed by the BNU program.
<u>.Log</u>	Contains log files for the uucico and uuxqt daemons.
<u>.Old</u>	Contains old log files for the uucico and uuxqt daemons.
<u>.Status</u>	Records the last time the uucico daemon tried to contact remote systems.
<u>.Workspace</u>	Holds temporary files that the file transport programs use internally.
<u>.Xqtdir</u>	Contains execute files with lists of commands that remote systems can run.
<u><i>SystemName</i></u>	Contains files used by file transport programs, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Command (<u>C.*</u>)• Data (<u>D.*</u>)• Execute (<u>X.*</u>)• Temporary (<u>TM.*</u>)

Related information

uuclean command

Understanding the BNU File and Directory Structure

/var/spool/uucp/.Admin Directory for BNU

Purpose

Contains administrative files used by BNU.

Description

The **/var/spool/uucp/.Admin** directory contains administrative files used by the Basic Networking Utilities (BNU) program to facilitate remote communications among systems. The **.Admin** directory contains the following files:

File	Description
<u>audit</u>	Contains debug messages from the uucico daemon.
<u>Foreign</u>	Logs contact attempts from unknown remote systems.
<u>errors</u>	Records uucico daemon errors.
<u>xferstats</u>	Records the status of file transfers.

Related information

[uudemon.cleanu command](#)

[cron command](#)

[BNU maintenance](#)

/var/spool/uucp/.Corrupt Directory for BNU

Purpose

Contains copies of files that could not be processed.

Description

The **/var/spool/uucp/.Corrupt** directory contains copies of files that could not be processed by the Basic Networking Utilities (BNU) program. For example, if a file is not in the correct form for transfer, the BNU program places a copy of that file in the **.Corrupt** directory for later handling. This directory is rarely used.

The files in the **.Corrupt** directory are removed periodically by the [uudemon.cleanu](#) command, a shell procedure.

Related information

[uudemon.cleanu command](#)

[BNU maintenance](#)

/var/spool/uucp/.Log Directories for BNU

Purpose

Contain the BNU program log files.

Description

The **/var/spool/uucp/.Log** directories contain Basic Networking Utilities (BNU) program log files. The BNU program normally places status information about each transaction in the appropriate log file each time you use the networking utilities facility.

All transactions of the [uucico](#) and [uuxqt](#) daemons as well as the [uux](#) and [uucp](#) commands are logged in files named for the remote system concerned. Each file is stored in a subdirectory of the **/var/spool/uucp/.Log** directory, named for the daemon or command involved. Each subdirectory contains a separate file for each remote system contacted. Thus, the log files are named according to one of the following formats:

/var/spool/uucp/.Log/DaemonName/SystemName

OR

/var/spool/uucp/.Log/CommandName/SystemName

All activities of the **uucp** command are logged in the *SystemName* file in the **/var/spool/uucp/.Log/uucp** directory. All activities of the **uux** command are logged in the *SystemName* file in the **/var/spool/uucp/.Log/uux** directory.

The **uucp** and **uuto** commands call the **uucico** daemon. The **uucico** daemon activities for a particular remote system are logged in the *SystemName* file in the **/var/spool/uucp/.Log/uucico** directory on the local system.

The **uux** command calls the **uuxqt** daemon. The **uuxqt** daemon activities for a particular remote system are logged in the *SystemName* file in the **/var/spool/uucp/.Log/uuxqt** directory on the local system.

When more than one BNU process is running, however, the system cannot access the standard log file, so it places the status information in a file with a **.Log** prefix. The file covers that single transaction.

The BNU program can automatically append the temporary log files to a primary log file. This is called *compacting the log files* and is handled by the **uudemon.cleanu** command, a shell procedure. The procedure combines the log files of the activities of the **uucico** and **uuxqt** daemons on a particular system and stores the files in the **/var/spool/uucp/.Old** directory.

The default is for the **uudemon.cleanu** command to save log files that are two days old. This default can be changed by modifying the appropriate line in the shell procedure. If storage space is a problem on a particular system, reduce the number of days that the files are kept in their individual log files.

The **uulog** command can be used to view the BNU program log files.

Related information

[uucp command](#)

[cron command](#)

[BNU log files](#)

/var/spool/uucp/.Old Directory for BNU

Purpose

Contains the combined BNU program log files.

Description

The **/var/spool/uucp/.Old** directory contains the combined Basic Networking Utilities (BNU) program log files.

The BNU program creates log files of the activities of the **uucico** and **uuxqt** daemons in the **/var/spool/uucp/.Log** directory. The log files are compacted by the **/usr/sbin/uucp/uudemon.cleanu** command, a shell procedure, which combines the files and stores them in the **.Old** directory.

By default, the **uudemon.cleanu** command removes log files after two weeks. The length of time log files are kept can be changed to suit the needs of an individual system.

The log files can be viewed using the **uulog** command.

Files

Item	Description
/var/spool/uucp/.Log directory	Contains BNU program log files.

Related information

[cron command](#)

[uucico command](#)

[BNU log files](#)

/var/spool/uucp/.Status Directory for BNU

Purpose

Contains information about the status of the BNU program contacts with remote systems.

Description

The **/var/spool/uucp/.Status** directory contains information about the status of the Basic Networking Utilities (BNU) program contacts with remote systems.

For each remote system contacted, the BNU program creates a file in the **.Status** directory called *SystemName*, which is named for the remote system being contacted. In the **.Status/SystemName** file, the BNU program stores:

- Time of the last call in seconds
- Status of the last call
- Number of retries
- Retry time, in seconds, of the next call

Note: The times given in the **.Status/SystemName** file are expressed as seconds elapsed since midnight of January 1, 1970 (the output of a **time** subroutine). Thus, the retry time is in the form of the number of seconds that must have expired since midnight of January 1, 1970, before the system can retry. To make this entry in the **.Status/SystemName** file, BNU performs a **time** subroutine, adds 600 seconds, and places the resulting number of seconds in the file.

If the last call was unsuccessful, the **uucico** daemon will wait until the time specified by the retry time before attempting to contact the system again. The retry time in the **.Status/SystemName** file can be overridden using the **-r** flag of the **uutry** or **Uutry** command.

Related information

[uutry command](#)

[Understanding the BNU File and Directory Structure](#)

/var/spool/uucp/SystemName Directories for BNU

Purpose

Contain queued requests for file transfers and command executions on remote systems.

Description

The **/var/spool/uucp/SystemName** directories are the Basic Networking Utilities (BNU) spooling directories on the local system. The BNU program creates a *SystemName* directory for each system listed in the **/etc/uucp/Systems** file, including the local system.

Each *SystemName* directory contains queued requests issued by local users for file transfers to remote systems and for command executions on remote systems.

The BNU program uses several types of administrative files to transfer data between systems. The files are stored in the *SystemName* directories:

Item	Description
command (C.*)	Contain directions for the uucico daemon concerning file transfers.
data (D.*)	Contain data to be sent to remote systems by the uucico daemon.
execute (X.*)	Contain instructions for running commands on remote systems.

Item	Description
temporary (TM.*)	Contain data files after their transfer to the remote system until the BNU program can deliver them to their final destinations (usually the /var/spool/uucppublic directory).

Related information

[uucp command](#)

[BNU maintenance commands](#)

/var/spool/uucp/.Workspace Directory for BNU

Purpose

Holds temporary files used internally by file transport programs.

Description

The **/var/spool/uucp/.Workspace** directory holds temporary files of various kinds used internally by BNU file transport programs.

Related information

[uucico command](#)

[Understanding the BNU File and Directory Structure](#)

/var/spool/uucp/.Xqtdir Directory for BNU

Purpose

Contains temporary files used by the **uuxqt** daemon to execute remote command requests.

Description

The **/var/spool/uucp/.Xqtdir** directory contains temporary files used by the Basic Networking Utilities (BNU) **uuxqt** daemon to execute remote command requests.

Related information

[uux command](#)

[Understanding the BNU File and Directory Structure](#)

/var/spool/uucppublic Directory for BNU

Purpose

Stores BNU files until they can be delivered.

Description

The **/var/spool/uucppublic** directory is the public directory for the Basic Networking Utilities (BNU) facility. One of these directories exists on every system connected by the BNU utilities.

When a user transfers a file to a remote system or issues a request to execute a command on another system, the files generated by these BNU commands are stored in the public directory on the designated system until the destination directory is ready to receive them. (A user can also specify a destination other than the public directory when issuing the **uucp**, **uuto**, or **uux** command.) The transferred files remain in the **uucppublic** directory until they are removed manually or automatically.

Note: The files are stored in the **uucppublic/SystemName** subdirectory of the **uucppublic** directory, where the *SystemName* directory is named for the remote system where the files originated.

All spooling directories are dynamic, including the public directory. Depending on the size of your installation and the number of files sent to the local **/var/spool/uucppublic** directory by users on remote systems, this directory can become quite large.

The **uudemon.cleanu** command, a shell procedure, cleans up all the BNU spooling directories, including the public directories. Use the **uucleanup** command with the **-sSystemName** flag to clean up the directories on a specific system.

Related information

[uuclean command](#)

[uux command](#)

[Understanding the BNU File and Directory Structure](#)

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