



Implementing Object Tracking

This module describes the configuration of object tracking on your Cisco IOS XR network. For complete descriptions of the commands listed in this module, see [Related Documents](#), on page 12. To locate documentation for other commands that might appear in the course of performing a configuration task, search online in *Cisco IOS XR Commands Master List for the Cisco CRS Router*.

Table 1: Feature History for Implementing Object Tracking

Release	Modification
Release 4.2.1	This feature was introduced.

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Prerequisites for Implementing Object Tracking

You must be in a user group associated with a task group that includes the proper task IDs. The command reference guides include the task IDs required for each command. If you suspect user group assignment is preventing you from using a command, contact your AAA administrator for assistance.

Information About Object Tracking

Object tracking is a mechanism to track an object and to take an action on another object with no relationship to the tracked objects, based on changes to the properties of the object being tracked.

Each tracked object is identified by a unique name specified on the tracking command-line interface (CLI). Cisco IOS XR processes then use this name to track a specific object.

The tracking process periodically polls the tracked object and reports any changes to its state in terms of its being up or down, either immediately or after a delay, as configured by the user.

Multiple objects can also be tracked by means of a list, using a flexible method for combining objects with Boolean logic. This functionality includes:

- **Boolean AND function**—When a tracked list has been assigned a Boolean AND function, each object defined within a subset must be in an up state, so that the tracked object can also be in the up state.
- **Boolean OR function**—When the tracked list has been assigned a Boolean OR function, it means that at least one object defined within a subset must also be in an up state, so that the tracked object can also be in the up state.

How to Implement Object Tracking

This section describes the various object tracking procedures.

Tracking the Line Protocol State of an Interface

Perform this task in global configuration mode to track the line protocol state of an interface.

A tracked object is considered up when a line protocol of the interface is up.

After configuring the tracked object, you may associate the interface whose state should be tracked and specify the number of seconds to wait before the tracking object polls the interface for its state.

SUMMARY STEPS

1. **configure**
2. **track** *track-name*
3. **type line-protocol state**
4. **interface** *type interface-path-id*
5. **exit**
6. (Optional) **delay** {**up** *seconds*|**down** *seconds*}
7. Use one of the following commands:
 - **end**
 - **commit**

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	configure	

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 2	<p>track <i>track-name</i></p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# track track1</pre>	<p>Enters track configuration mode.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>track-name</i>—Specifies a name for the object to be tracked.
Step 3	<p>type line-protocol state</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-track)# type line-protocol state</pre>	<p>Creates a track based on the line protocol of an interface.</p>
Step 4	<p>interface <i>type interface-path-id</i></p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-track-line-prot)# interface atm 0/2/0/0.1</pre>	<p>Specifies the interface to track the protocol state.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>type</i>—Specifies the interface type. For more information, use the question mark (?) online help function. • <i>interface-path-id</i>—Identifies a physical interface or a virtual interface. <p>Note Use the show interfaces command to see a list of all possible interfaces currently configured on the router.</p> <p>Note The loopback and null interfaces are always in the up state and, therefore, cannot be tracked.</p>
Step 5	<p>exit</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-track-line-prot)# exit</pre>	<p>Exits the track line protocol configuration mode.</p>
Step 6	<p>delay {up <i>seconds</i> down <i>seconds</i>}</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-track)# delay up 10</pre>	<p>(Optional)</p> <p>Schedules the delay that can occur between tracking whether the object is up or down.</p>
Step 7	<p>Use one of the following commands:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • end • commit <p>Example:</p> <pre>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-track)# end or RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-track)# commit</pre>	<p>Saves configuration changes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • When you issue the end command, the system prompts you to commit changes: <pre>Uncommitted changes found, commit them before exiting(yes/no/cancel)? [cancel]:</pre> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Entering yes saves configuration changes to the running configuration file, exits the configuration session, and returns the router to EXEC mode. ◦ Entering no exits the configuration session and returns the router to EXEC mode without committing the configuration changes.

	Command or Action	Purpose
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Entering cancel leaves the router in the current configuration session without exiting or committing the configuration changes. • Use the commit command to save the configuration changes to the running configuration file and remain within the configuration session.

Tracking IP Route Reachability

When a host or a network goes down on a remote site, routing protocols notify the router and the routing table is updated accordingly. The routing process is configured to notify the tracking process when the route state changes due to a routing update.

A tracked object is considered up when a routing table entry exists for the route and the route is accessible.

SUMMARY STEPS

1. **configure**
2. **track** *track-name*
3. **type route reachability**
4. Use one of the following commands:
 - **vrf** *vrf-table-name*
 - **route ipv4** *IP-prefix/mask*
5. **exit**
6. (Optional) **delay** {**up** *seconds*|**down** *seconds*}
7. **commit**

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	configure	
Step 2	track <i>track-name</i> Example: RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# track track1	Enters track configuration mode. • <i>track-name</i> —Specifies a name for the object to be tracked.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 3	type route reachability Example: <pre>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-track)# type route reachability vrf internet</pre>	Configures the routing process to notify the tracking process when the state of the route changes due to a routing update.
Step 4	Use one of the following commands: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <code>vrf vrf-table-name</code> • <code>route ipv4 IP-prefix/mask</code> Example: <pre>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-track-route)# vrf vrf-table-4</pre> OR <pre>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-track-route)# route ipv4 10.56.8.10/16</pre>	Configures the type of IP route to be tracked, which can consist of either of the following, depending on your router type: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>vrf-table-name</i>—A VRF table name. • <i>IP-prefix/mask</i>—An IP prefix consisting of the network and subnet mask (for example, 10.56.8.10/16).
Step 5	exit Example: <pre>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-track-line-prot)# exit</pre>	Exits the track line protocol configuration mode.
Step 6	delay {up seconds down seconds} Example: <pre>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-track)# delay up 10</pre>	(Optional) Schedules the delay that can occur between tracking whether the object is up or down.
Step 7	commit	

Building a Track Based on a List of Objects

Perform this task in the global configuration mode to create a tracked list of objects (which, in this case, are lists of interfaces or prefixes) using a Boolean expression to determine the state of the list.

A tracked list contains one or more objects. The Boolean expression enables two types of calculations by using either AND or OR operators. For example, when tracking two interfaces, using the AND operator, up means that *both* interfaces are up, and down means that *either* interface is down.



Note

An object must exist before it can be added to a tracked list.

The NOT operator is specified for one or more objects and negates the state of the object.

After configuring the tracked object, you must associate the interface whose state should be tracked and you may optionally specify the number of seconds to wait before the tracking object polls the interface for its state.

SUMMARY STEPS

1. **configure**
2. **track** *track-name*
3. **type list boolean** { **and** | **or** }
4. **object** *object-name* [**not**]
5. **exit**
6. (Optional) **delay** {**up** *seconds*|**down** *seconds*}
7. Use one of the following commands:
 - **end**
 - **commit**

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	configure	
Step 2	track <i>track-name</i> Example: RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# track track1	Enters track configuration mode. • <i>track-name</i> —Specifies a name for the object to be tracked.
Step 3	type list boolean { and or } Example: RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-track-list)# type list boolean and	Configures a Boolean list object and enters track list configuration mode. • boolean —Specifies that the state of the tracked list is based on a Boolean calculation. • and —Specifies that the list is up if all objects are up, or down if one or more objects are down. For example when tracking two interfaces, up means that both interfaces are up, and down means that either interface is down. • or —Specifies that the list is up if at least one object is up. For example, when tracking two interfaces, up means that either interface is up, and down means that both interfaces are down.
Step 4	object <i>object-name</i> [not] Example: RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-track-list)# object 3 not	Specifies the object to be tracked by the list • <i>object-name</i> —Name of the object to track. • not —Negates the state of the object.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 5	exit Example: RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-track-line-prot)# exit	Exits the track line protocol configuration mode.
Step 6	delay {up seconds down seconds} Example: RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-track)# delay up 10	(Optional) Schedules the delay that can occur between tracking whether the object is up or down.
Step 7	Use one of the following commands: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • end • commit Example: RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-track)# end or RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-track)# commit	Saves configuration changes. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • When you issue the end command, the system prompts you to commit changes: <pre>Uncommitted changes found, commit them before exiting(yes/no/cancel)? [cancel]:</pre> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Entering yes saves configuration changes to the running configuration file, exits the configuration session, and returns the router to EXEC mode. ◦ Entering no exits the configuration session and returns the router to EXEC mode without committing the configuration changes. ◦ Entering cancel leaves the router in the current configuration session without exiting or committing the configuration changes. • Use the commit command to save the configuration changes to the running configuration file and remain within the configuration session.

Building a Track Based on a List of Objects - Threshold Percentage

Perform this task in the global configuration mode to create a tracked list of objects (which, in this case, are lists of interfaces or prefixes) using a threshold percentage to determine the state of the list.

SUMMARY STEPS

1. **configure**
2. **track** *track-name*
3. **type list threshold percentage**
4. **object** *object-name*
5. **threshold percentage up** *percentage* **down** *percentage*
6. Use one of the following commands:
 - **end**
 - **commit**

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	configure	
Step 2	track <i>track-name</i> Example: RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# track track1	Enters track configuration mode. • <i>track-name</i> —Specifies a name for the object to be tracked.
Step 3	type list threshold percentage Example: RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-track-list)# type list threshold percentage	Configures a track of type threshold percentage list.
Step 4	object <i>object-name</i> Example: RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-track-list-threshold)# object 1 RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-track-list-threshold)# object 2 RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-track-list-threshold)# object 3 RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-track-list-threshold)# object 4	Configures object 1, object 2, object 3 and object 4 as members of track type track1.
Step 5	threshold percentage up <i>percentage</i> down <i>percentage</i> Example: RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-track-list-threshold)# threshold percentage up 50 down 33	Configures the percentage of objects that need to be UP or DOWN for the list to be considered UP or Down respectively. For example, if object 1, object 2, and object 3 are in the UP state and object 4 is in the DOWN state, the list is considered to be in the UP state.
Step 6	Use one of the following commands:	Saves configuration changes.

	Command or Action	Purpose
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • end • commit <p>Example:</p> <pre>RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-track)# end OR RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-track)# commit</pre>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • When you issue the end command, the system prompts you to commit changes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Uncommitted changes found, commit them before exiting(yes/no/cancel)? [cancel]: ◦ Entering yes saves configuration changes to the running configuration file, exits the configuration session, and returns the router to EXEC mode. ◦ Entering no exits the configuration session and returns the router to EXEC mode without committing the configuration changes. ◦ Entering cancel leaves the router in the current configuration session without exiting or committing the configuration changes. • Use the commit command to save the configuration changes to the running configuration file and remain within the configuration session.

Building a Track Based on a List of Objects - Threshold Weight

Perform this task in the global configuration mode to create a tracked list of objects (which, in this case, are lists of interfaces or prefixes) using a threshold weight to determine the state of the list.

SUMMARY STEPS

1. **configure**
2. **track** *track-name*
3. **type list threshold weight**
4. **object** *object-name weight weight*
5. **threshold weight up** *weight down weight*
6. Use one of the following commands:
 - **end**
 - **commit**

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	configure	
Step 2	track <i>track-name</i> Example: RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# track track1	Enters track configuration mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>track-name</i>—Specifies a name for the object to be tracked.
Step 3	type list threshold weight Example: RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-track-list)# type list threshold weight	Configures a track of type, threshold weighted list.
Step 4	object <i>object-name</i> weight <i>weight</i> Example: RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-track-list-threshold)# object 1 weight 10 RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-track-list-threshold)# object 2 weight 5 RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-track-list-threshold)# object 3 weight 3	Configures object 1, object 2 and object 3 as members of track t1 and with weights 10, 5 and 3 respectively.
Step 5	threshold weight up <i>weight</i> down <i>weight</i> Example: RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-track-list-threshold)# threshold weight up 10 down 5	Configures the range of weights for the objects that need to be UP or DOWN for the list to be considered UP or DOWN respectively. In this example, the list is considered to be in the DOWN state because objects 1 and 2 are in the UP state and the cumulative weight is 15 (not in the 10-5 range).
Step 6	Use one of the following commands: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • end • commit Example: RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-track)# end or RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-track)# commit	Saves configuration changes. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • When you issue the end command, the system prompts you to commit changes: <pre>Uncommitted changes found, commit them before exiting(yes/no/cancel)? [cancel]:</pre> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Entering yes saves configuration changes to the running configuration file, exits the configuration session, and returns the router to EXEC mode. ◦ Entering no exits the configuration session and returns the router to EXEC mode without committing the configuration changes. ◦ Entering cancel leaves the router in the current configuration session without exiting or committing the configuration changes.

	Command or Action	Purpose
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use the commit command to save the configuration changes to the running configuration file and remain within the configuration session.

Tracking IPSLA Reachability

Use this task to enable the tracking of the return code of IP service level agreement (SLA) operations.

SUMMARY STEPS

1. **configure**
2. **track** *track-name*
3. **type rtr** *ipsla-no* **reachability**
4. **commit**

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	configure Example: RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router# configure	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 2	track <i>track-name</i> Example: RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# track t1	Enters track configuration mode.
Step 3	type rtr <i>ipsla-no</i> reachability Example: RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-track)# type rtr 100 reachability	Specifies the IP SLA operation ID to be tracked for reachability. Values for the <i>ipsla-no</i> can range from 1 to 2048.
Step 4	commit	

Configuring IPSLA Tracking: Example

This example shows the configuration of IPSLA tracking:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# track track1
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-track)# type rtr 1 reachability
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-track)# delay up 5
```

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-track)# delay down 10
```

Configuration Examples for Configuring Object Tracking

Configuring IPSLA Tracking: Example

This example shows the configuration of IPSLA tracking, including the ACL and IPSLA configuration:

ACL configuration:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# ipv4 access-list abf-track
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ipv4-acl)# 10 permit any any nexthop track track1 1.2.3.4
```

Object tracking configuration:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# track track1
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-track)# type rtr 1 reachability
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-track)# delay up 5
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-track)# delay down 10
```

IPSLA configuration:

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config)# ipsla
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ipsla)# operation 1
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ipsla-op)# type icmp echo
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ipsla-icmp-echo)# source address 2.3.4.5
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ipsla-icmp-echo)# destination address 1.2.3.4
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ipsla-icmp-echo)# frequency 60
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ipsla-icmp-echo)# exit
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ipsla-op)# exit
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ipsla)# schedule operation 1
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ipsla-sched)# start-time now
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:router(config-ipsla-sched)# life forever
```

Additional References

The following sections provide references related to implementing object tracking for IPSec network security.

Related Documents

Related Topic	Document Title
IP SLA configuration information	<i>Implementing IP Service Level Agreements on the Cisco IOS XR Software module in Cisco IOS XR System Monitoring Configuration Guide for the Cisco CRS Router</i>
IP SLA commands	<i>IP Service Level Agreement Commands on the Cisco IOS XR Software module in Cisco IOS XR System Monitoring Command Reference for the Cisco CRS Router</i>

Related Topic	Document Title
Object tracking commands	<i>Object Tracking Commands on the Cisco IOS XR Software module in Cisco IOS XR System Management Command Reference for the Cisco CRS Router</i>

Standards

Standards	Title
No new or modified standards are supported by this feature, and support for existing standards has not been modified by this feature.	—

MIBs

MIBs	MIBs Link
—	To locate and download MIBs using Cisco IOS XR software, use the Cisco MIB Locator found at the following URL and choose a platform under the Cisco Access Products menu: http://cisco.com/public/sw-center/netmgmt/cmtk/mibs.shtml

RFCs

RFCs	Title
RFC 2401	<i>Security Architecture for the Internet Protocol</i>

Technical Assistance

Description	Link
The Cisco Technical Support website contains thousands of pages of searchable technical content, including links to products, technologies, solutions, technical tips, and tools. Registered Cisco.com users can log in from this page to access even more content.	http://www.cisco.com/cisco/web/support/index.html

