



Configuring TCAM Threshold Based Alarms

The Ternary Content-Addressable Memory (TCAM) threshold based alarms feature generates syslog and consequently a Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP) trap when an application reaches the preset threshold for its allotted TCAM size. Alarms and traps are generated when the threshold value for the TCAM is reached.

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New and Changed Information

Table 1: New and Changed Features

Feature	Description	Changed in Release	Where Documented
TCAM Threshold Based Alarms	This feature generates a Syslog and consequently a SNMP trap when the number of entries for an application on TCAM becomes equal or greater than a preset threshold level.	Cisco IOS XE Release 3.11S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Information on TCAM Threshold Based Alarms, on page 2 • Configuring TCAM Threshold Based Alarms, on page 2
TCAM Threshold Based Alarm Frequency	This enhancement configures the frequency at which the TCAM Threshold based alarm should be generated.	Cisco IOS XE Release 3.12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Information on TCAM Threshold Based Alarm Frequency, on page 2 • Configuring TCAM Threshold Based Alarms, on page 2

Information on TCAM Threshold Based Alarms

This feature generates a Syslog and consequently an SNMP trap when the number of entries for an application on TCAM becomes equal to or greater than the threshold percentage of the value defined in the license template. You can configure the threshold percentage value for notification before the TCAM limit specified by the license for an application is exhausted. The default threshold value for all TCAM applications is 80 percent. The frequency of the alert messages is rate limited to avoid flooding the router console when many entries are added or deleted in quick succession.



Note This feature can be enabled or disabled using the **platform tcam-threshold enable** or **no platform tcam-threshold enable** command.

Information on TCAM Threshold Based Alarm Frequency

This feature enables you to configure the frequency at which the TCAM Threshold Based alarm should be generated. You can configure the TCAM Threshold Based alarm frequency only if you have enabled the TCAM Threshold Based alarms.



Note By default, the **platform tcam-threshold alarm-frequency** command appears in the router configuration file with the default alarm frequency value 1.

Configuring TCAM Threshold Based Alarms

To configure TCAM threshold based alarms, complete the following steps:

SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **platform tcam-threshold enable** [*app-name* | **all**] [*threshold_percentage* | **default**]
4. **platform tcam-threshold alarm-frequency** [*frequency-value* | **default**]
5. **end**

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable Example: Router> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enter your password if prompted.

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Step 2	configure terminal Example: Router# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 3	platform tcam-threshold enable [<i>app-name</i> all] [<i>threshold_percentage</i> default] Example: Router (config)# platform tcam-threshold enable all 75	Enables TCAM threshold based alarms. To disable, use the no platform tcam-threshold enable command. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>app-name</i>—Specifies the name of an application. • all—Selects all applications supported on the router. • <i>threshold_percentage</i>—Specifies the threshold percentage. • default—Uses the default threshold of 80 percent.
Step 4	platform tcam-threshold alarm-frequency [<i>frequency-value</i> default] Example: Router (config)# platform tcam-threshold alarm-frequency 75	Configures the TCAM Threshold Based alarm frequency <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>frequency-value</i>—Specifies the frequency [1 - 75] at which the alarm should be generated per hour. • default—Sets the default value 1.
Step 5	end Example: Router (config)# end	Returns to privileged EXEC mode.

Verifying TCAM Threshold Based Alarms

- Use the **show platform hardware pp active tcam utilization app-name detail asic-id** command to display the TCAM utilization for the applications.

Following is a sample output using the **show platform hardware pp active tcam utilization** command to display the TCAM utilization for ACL application on ASIC 0:

```
Router# show platform hardware pp active tcam utilization acl detail 0
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Router Tcam Utilization per Application and Region
ES == Entry size == Number of 80 bit TCAM words

App/Region          Start      Num Avail  ES  Region  Range      Used
  Range            Num Used
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ACL                 0x8000    0x1000     2   000000  000000    000000
  000000          172

Scale limit: 4000
Threshold configured: 4%
Current usage: 172 (4% approx.)
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- Use the **show platform hardware pp active tcam usage** command to display the alarm status for the applications:

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Router# show platform hardware pp active tcam usage
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TCAM Size: Num of 80 bit entries: 0x010000, Number of Blocks: 16

Nile Tcam Application Table
New Column
Thld Alarm State = 1 if Threshold alarm raised, 0 if alarm cleared

App/Region          Start Index      Num Entries      Entry Size      Num
Regions            Profile ID      Blk_sel_bits4   Bsb3            Bsb2            S...
Bsb1              Thld Alarm S...

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UCASTV4              000000          0x3000           1                34
0                    19              0x7              0                0
MCASTV4              0x3000          0x1000           2                109
0                    4               0                0                0
INGRESS_VLAN_TRANS  0x5000          0x1000           1                25
0                    16              0                0                0
0                    0x20            0                0                0
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Additional References

Related Documents

Related Topic	Document Title
Cisco IOS Commands	Cisco IOS Master Command List, All Releases

Standards and RFCs

Standard/RFC	Title
None	—

MIBs

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

Technical Assistance

Description	Link
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