

[iMC] Device receives an SNMP message with an erroneous community string

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Network Topology

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Problem Description

- The IMC receives the following alarm all the time

Trap Name	Authentication Failure
Trap OID	1.3.6.1.6.3.1.1.5.5
Enterprise Name	SNMP
Enterprise ID	1.3.6.1.6.3.1.1.5
Trap Level	Minor
Description	Device receives an SNMP message with an erroneous community string
Trap Cause	SNMP agent receives an SNMP message with an erroneous community string.
Remediation Suggestion	Check if: 1. There are hacker attacks on the network. 2. The SNMP community string is inconsistent with that in the NMS.
Maintenance Experience	

Process Analysis

1. Check whether the SNMP of devices managed by the IMC is correct

The screenshot shows the IMC configuration page for Router(1.1.1.1). The 'SNMPv2c' parameters are configured as follows:

- Parameter Type: SNMPv2c
- Read-Only Community String: *****
- Read-Write Community String: *****
- Timeout (1-60 seconds): 4
- Retries (1-20): 3
- Port Number: 161

A success dialog box is displayed, indicating that the parameters were tested successfully.

2. Capture packets on the IMC server and check whether a trap 1.3.6.1.6.3.1.1.5.5 is received 2.1 if your iMC installed on a linux OS, you can using this command to capture packets
 tcpdump -i bond0 host 10.128.x.x and port 161 or port 162 -w /home/xx.cap
 We found that iMC received trap from device.

The screenshot shows a Wireshark capture of network traffic. The selected packet is an SNMP trap message. The details pane shows the following information:

- Trap Name: Authentication Failure
- Trap OID: 1.3.6.1.6.3.1.1.5.5
- Trap Level: Minor
- Description: Device receives an SNMP message with an erroneous community string
- Trap Cause: SNMP agent receives an SNMP message with an erroneous community string.
- Remediation Suggestion: Check if L. There are hacker attacks on the network. 2. The SNMP community string is inconsistent with that in the NMS.

3. Capture packets on the device and check whether another NMS system polling device with wrong community.
 we found that 10.192.182.26 is polling with wrong community.

The screenshot shows a Wireshark capture of network traffic. The selected packet is an SNMP get-request message. The details pane shows the following information:

- Community: 1.3.6.1.2.1.1.2.0
- Request ID: 16397
- Request: get-request

Solution

Check the source of abnormal NMS in the network, and complete the overall planning and deployment of the NMS system.

