

Perform a Password Reset in Telemetry Broker

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Introduction

This document describes how to perform a password reset on a given Cisco Telemetry Broker (CTB) appliance.

Prerequisites

Requirements

Cisco recommends that you have knowledge of these topics:

- Basic Linux administration
- Basic Cisco Telemetry Broker architecture
- Console access to the Command Line Interface (CLI) to the desired appliance is necessary to perform the password reset.

Components Used

The information in this document is based on these software and hardware versions:

- CTB Manager node running version 2.0.1.
- CTB Broker node running version 2.0.1.

The information in this document was created from the devices in a specific lab environment. All of the devices used in this document started with a cleared (default) configuration. If your network is live, ensure that you understand the potential impact of any command.

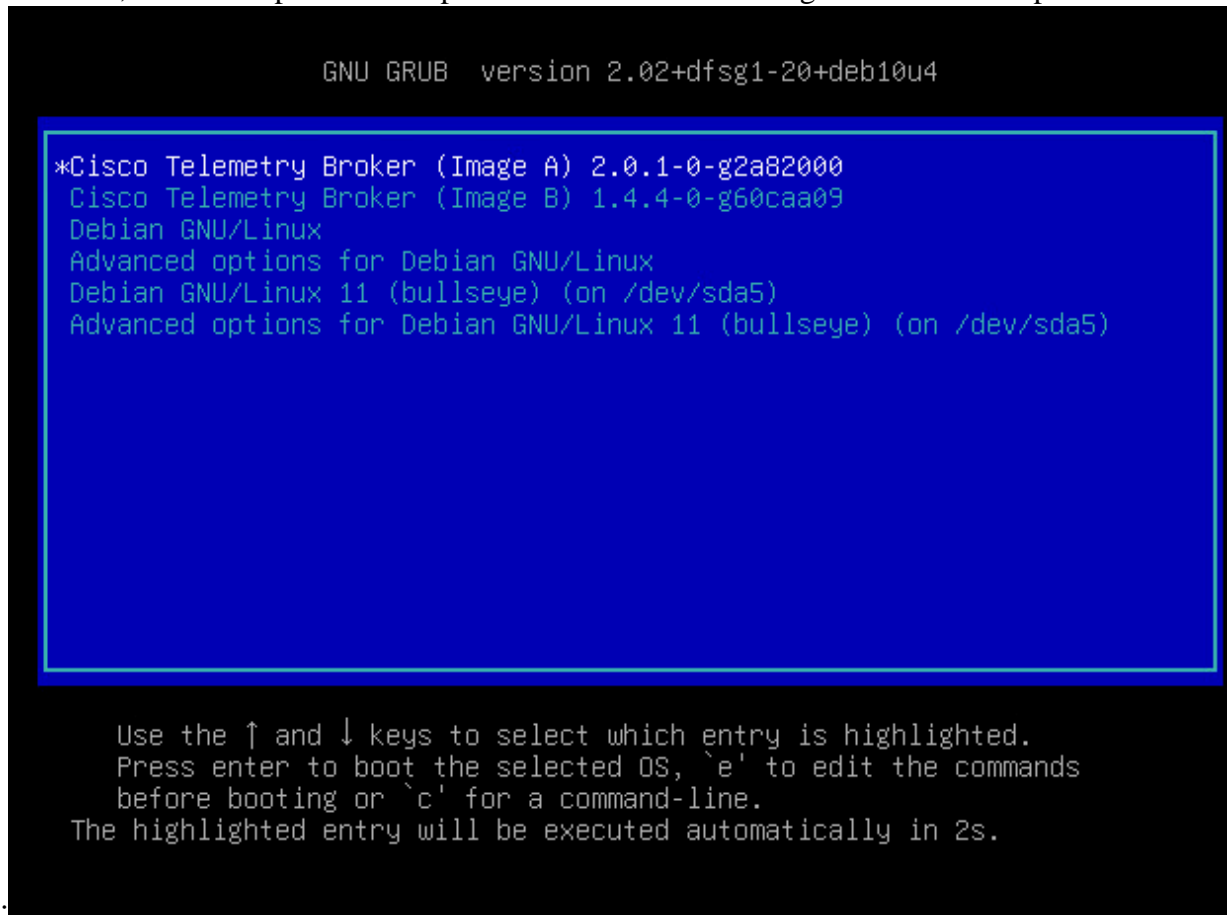
Configure

The password can be performed individually for each user, `admin`, `root`, and `webadmin`. The web user `webadmin` is only available for the Manager Node in CTB. The `admin` and `root` CLI users are available in both Manager and Broker Nodes.

Reset the CLI user passwords

To reset any of the CLI user passwords:

1. Connect to the desired node via console connection.
2. Enter the command `sudo shutdown -r now` to reboot the node.
3. At the GRUB menu, enter `e` to open the boot parameters screen. This image shows an example of the



GRUB menu:

Example of the GRUB menu in a CTB Node

4. Locate the line that starts with `linux` . Place the cursor at the end of the line and enter `init=/bin/bash`. Ensure that there is a space before the aforementioned string. This image shows an example of how the added parameter looks like in the screen:

GNU GRUB version 2.02+dfsg1-20+deb10u4

```
setparams 'Cisco Telemetry Broker (Image A) 2.0.1-0-g2a82000'  
set root=(hd0,gpt2)  
linux /vmlinuz-5.10.0-21-amd64 root=/dev/sda4 debian-installer=en_US.UTF\ -8 nopku intel_iommu=on iommu=pt init=/bin/bash_  
initrd /initrd.img-5.10.0-21-amd64
```

Minimum Emacs-like screen editing is supported. TAB lists completions. Press Ctrl-x or F10 to boot, Ctrl-c or F2 for a command-line or ESC to discard edits and return to the GRUB menu.

Parameter screen with the additional option

5. Enter **Ctrl+X** to boot up the node with the configured parameters.
6. At the root shell of Debian, enter the command **mount -n -o remount,rw /** the command to remount the root file system. This image displays an example of the output:

```
root@(none):/# mount -n -o remount,rw /  
[ 72.706297] EXT4-fs (sda4): re-mounted. Opts: errors=remount-ro
```

Output of the remount command

7. Reset the password of the desired user. To reset the password of the `root` user. enter the command **passwd**. To reset the password of the `admin` user. enter the command **passwd admin**. Note that the normal requirements for complex passwords remains in place. The next image shows an example of a password reset for both users:

```
[ 72.706297] EXT4-fs (sda4): re-mounted. Opts: errors=remount-ro
root@(none):/# passwd
New password:
Retype new password:
passwd: password updated successfully
root@(none):/# passwd admin
New password:
Retype new password:
passwd: password updated successfully
root@(none):/# _
```

Example of the password reset for both CLI users

8. Enter **Ctrl+Alt+Del** in Windows or **Ctrl+Option+Del** in Mac to restart the node.

Reset the web user password

To reset the webadmin password:

1. Connect to the CLI of the Manager Node as `admin`, either via SSH or via console.
2. Switch to root user with the command `sudo su`
3. Enter the command `cd /opt/titan/compose` to change directory.
4. Run the command `docker-compose run --rm titanium ./manage.py changepassword webadmin` to reset the web user password. Note that the normal requirements for complex passwords remains in place. This image displays an example of a successful password reset:

```
admin@ctb-w9Rvhi10:/opt/titan/compose$ sudo docker-compose run --rm titanium ./manage.py changepassword webadmin
[+] Running 3/0
 # Container redis      Running
 # Container postgres  Running
 # Container metrics_db Running
Changing password for user 'webadmin'
Password:
Password (again):
Password changed successfully for user 'webadmin'
```

Related Information

- [Technical Support & Documentation - Cisco Systems](#)