

EX.NO: 6b – INSTALLATION OF THRIFT WITH PRACTICE EXAMPLES

AIM:

To install Apache Thrift on Windows and demonstrate code generation for HBase integration.

PROCEDURE:

Step 1: Download and Setup Thrift

Since we are on Windows, we use the pre-compiled binary instead of building from source.

1. **Download:** Get `thrift-0.13.0.exe` from the official Apache archive.
2. **Move & Rename:** Move the file to `C:\hbase-2.2.5\bin` and rename it to **thrift.exe**.
3. **Environment Variable:** Add `C:\hbase-2.2.5\bin` to your System **Path** variables so the command works globally.

Step 2: Verify Installation

Open a new Command Prompt and verify the version:

DOS

`thrift -version`

Expected Output: Thrift version 0.13.0

Step 3: Create a Thrift Definition File

Create a practice definition file to tell Thrift what kind of code to generate.

1. Open Notepad and paste:

Thrift

```
service HBaseTest {  
    void ping(),  
    string getStatus()  
}
```

2. Save it in `C:\hbase-2.2.5\bin` as **lab.thrift**.

Step 4: Practice Example (Code Generation)

Generate the Python "stubs" (the client-side bridge code).

1. Run the compiler command:

DOS

`thrift --gen py lab.thrift`

2. Verify the generated files:

DOS

```
dir gen-py\lab
```

Expected Result: You will see HBaseTest.py, constants.py, and ttypes.py. These files allow Python to talk to the Thrift server.

Step 5: Start the HBase Thrift Server

Now, open the "bridge" that connects external code to your database.

1. Run the Thrift service:

DOS

```
hbase thrift start
```

Expected Result: The terminal will show starting HBase ThreadPool ThriftServer on port 9090.

RESULT:

The installation of Apache Thrift was successfully completed on Windows. The practice exercise demonstrated that the Thrift compiler can generate language-specific source code (.py files), and the HBase Thrift Server was successfully initialized on port 9090 for cross-language database operations.