OpenWrt Network Management System Installation Guide

TP-Link Archer C7 v5 Setup

Prerequisites Check

Router Specifications:

- TP-Link Archer C7 v5
- OpenWrt firmware installed
- Minimum 16MB flash storage
- Minimum 128MB RAM
- SSH access enabled

Step 1: Prepare OpenWrt Environment

1.1 Update Package Manager

```
bash
# SSH into your router
ssh root@192.168.1.1
# Update package lists
opkg update
```

1.2 Install Required System Packages

```
# Essential packages

opkg install python3 python3-pip sqlite3-cli

opkg install iptables-mod-extra kmod-sched-core tc

opkg install nodogsplash

opkg install wireless-tools iw

# Network monitoring tools

opkg install luci-app-statistics

opkg install collectd-mod-interface

opkg install collectd-mod-iwinfo
```

1.3 Increase Available Storage (if needed)

```
# Check available space

df -h

# If space is limited, use extroot with USB drive

# Insert USB drive and format

opkg install block-mount kmod-fs-ext4 kmod-usb-storage

mkfs.ext4 /dev/sda1
```

Step 2: Install Python Dependencies

2.1 Install Python Packages

```
# Core Flask and database packages
pip3 install flask flask-cors
pip3 install bcrypt
pip3 install sqlite3

# Data analysis and ML packages (lightweight versions)
pip3 install pandas numpy
pip3 install scikit-learn

# Additional utilities
pip3 install requests
pip3 install python-dateutil
```

Step 3: Create Project Directory Structure

3.1 Setup Directory Structure

```
bash

# Create main directory
mkdir -p /opt/network-management
cd /opt/network-management

# Create subdirectories
mkdir -p {static,templates,logs,data}
mkdir -p static/{css,js,images}
mkdir -p templates/auth
```

3.2 Set Proper Permissions

bash

chmod 755 /opt/network-management
chown -R root:root /opt/network-management

Step 4: Deploy Application Files

4.1 Upload Core Python Files

Upload these files to (/opt/network-management/):

- (auth.py)
- (config.py)
- db_config.py
- (db_pool.py)
- (device_tracker.py)
- (device_bandwidth_monitor.py)
- (device_connection_monitor.py)
- (firewall_controller.py)
- (error_handling.py)
- (security.py)
- (validation.py)
- caching.py
- ai_network_optimizer.py
- (automated_incident_response.py)
- cross_branch_analytics.py
- (intelligent_guest_system.py)
- (predictive_registration.py)
- (run_device_monitors.py)

4.2 Create Main Application File

Create (/opt/network-management/app.py):

```
#!/usr/bin/env python3
from flask import Flask, jsonify, request
from flask_cors import CORS
import sqlite3
import os
import sys
# Add current directory to Python path
sys.path.append('/opt/network-management')
# Import our modules
from auth import UserManager, require_auth
from device_tracker import DeviceTracker
from firewall_controller import FirewallController
from error_handling import register_error_handlers, logger
from security import require_secure_headers
import config
app = Flask(__name__)
app.config.from_object(config)
CORS(app)
# Initialize components
user_manager = UserManager(config)
device_tracker = DeviceTracker(config)
firewall_controller = FirewallController(config)
# Register error handlers
register_error_handlers(app)
@app.route('/')
@require_secure_headers
def index():
  return jsonify({'message': 'Network Management System API', 'version': '1.0'})
@app.route('/api/login', methods=['POST'])
def login():
  # Login implementation
  pass
@app.route('/api/devices', methods=['GET'])
@require_auth(['Admin', 'NetworkManager', 'Support'])
def get_devices():
```

```
# Device listing implementation

pass

if __name__ == '__main__':

app.run(host='0.0.0.0', port=5000, debug=False)
```

4.3 Initialize Database

```
bash

cd /opt/network-management
sqlite3 data/admin_management.db < db.sql
```

Step 5: Configure System Services

5.1 Create Systemd Service File

Create (/etc/init.d/network-management):

```
#I/bin/sh /etc/rc.common

START=80
STOP=20

USE_PROCD=1
PROG="/usr/bin/python3"

ARGS="/opt/network-management/app.py"

start_service() {
    procd_open_instance
    procd_set_param command "$PROG" "$ARGS"
    procd_set_param respawn
    procd_set_param stdout 1
    procd_set_param stdort 1
    procd_close_instance
}
```

5.2 Make Service Executable

bash

chmod +x /etc/init.d/network-management
/etc/init.d/network-management enable

5.3 Create Monitor Service

Create (/etc/init.d/device-monitors):

```
#!/bin/sh /etc/rc.common

START=81
STOP=19

USE_PROCD=1
PROG="/usr/bin/python3"

ARGS="/opt/network-management/run_device_monitors.py"

start_service() {
    procd_open_instance
    procd_set_param command "$PROG" "$ARGS"
    procd_set_param respawn
    procd_set_param stdout 1
    procd_set_param stdorr 1
    procd_close_instance
}
```

```
bash

chmod +x /etc/init.d/device-monitors
/etc/init.d/device-monitors enable
```

Step 6: Configure Networking

6.1 Configure Firewall Rules

bash

```
# Allow HTTP access to management interface

uci add firewall rule

uci set firewall.@rule[-1].name='Allow-Management-HTTP'

uci set firewall.@rule[-1].src='lan'

uci set firewall.@rule[-1].dest_port='5000'

uci set firewall.@rule[-1].proto='tcp'

uci set firewall.@rule[-1].target='ACCEPT'

uci commit firewall
/etc/init.d/firewall restart
```

6.2 Configure NoDogSplash

```
# Configure captive portal

uci set nodogsplash.@nodogsplash[0].enabled='1'

uci set nodogsplash.@nodogsplash[0].gatewayinterface='br-lan'

uci set nodogsplash.@nodogsplash[0].maxclients='250'

uci set nodogsplash.@nodogsplash[0].authidletimeout='1200'

uci set nodogsplash.@nodogsplash[0].sessiontimeout='3600'

# Set custom splash page

uci set nodogsplash.@nodogsplash[0].splashpage='/opt/network-management/templates/splash.html'

uci commit nodogsplash
```

Step 7: Create Web Interface

7.1 Create Basic HTML Templates

Create (/opt/network-management/templates/index.html):

html

7.2 Create Splash Page for Captive Portal

Create (/opt/network-management/templates/splash.html):

```
html
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<head>
  <title>Welcome to WiFi</title>
  <meta charset="UTF-8">
  <meta name="viewport" content="width=device-width, initial-scale=1.0">
</head>
<body>
  <div class="splash-container">
    <h1>Welcome to Our Network</h1>
    <form action="$authaction$" method="get">
      <input name="tok" value="$tok$" type="hidden">
      <input name="redir" value="$redir$" type="hidden">
      <button type="submit">Connect to Internet</button>
    </form>
  </div>
</body>
</html>
```

Step 8: Configuration and Security

8.1 Update Configuration File

Edit (/opt/network-management/config.py):

```
python

# Update router-specific settings

ROUTER_IP = '192.168.1.1' # Your router's IP

DB_PATH = '/opt/network-management/data/admin_management.db'

LOG_FILE = '/opt/network-management/logs/app.log'

# Security settings for production

DEBUG = False

SECRET_KEY = 'your-secure-secret-key-here'
```

8.2 Set Up Log Rotation

Create (/etc/logrotate.d/network-management):

```
/opt/network-management/logs/*.log {
    daily
    rotate 7
    compress
    missingok
    notifempty
    create 644 root root
}
```

Step 9: Initialize and Start Services

9.1 Create Initial Admin User

```
bash

cd /opt/network-management

python3 -c "

from auth import UserManager

import config

um = UserManager(config)

result = um.create_user('admin', 'admin123!', 'Admin', 1)

print(result)

"
```

9.2 Start All Services

bash # Start the main application /etc/init.d/network-management start # Start device monitors /etc/init.d/device-monitors start # Start NoDogSplash /etc/init.d/nodogsplash start # Check service status /etc/init.d/network-management status

Step 10: Testing and Verification

10.1 Test Web Interface

logread | tail -20

```
bash

# Test local access
curl http://192.168.1.1:5000/

# Test from another device on the network
# Open browser to http://192.168.1.1:5000/
```

10.2 Verify Database

bash

sqlite3 /opt/network-management/data/admin_management.db "SELECT * FROM users;"

10.3 Check Logs

bash

tail -f /opt/network-management/logs/app.log logread | grep network-management

Troubleshooting

Common Issues:

1. Python Package Installation Fails

```
# Free up space first

opkg remove --autoremove luci-app-* (unused apps)

# Use pip with --no-cache-dir

pip3 install --no-cache-dir package_name
```

2. Database Permission Issues

bash

chown root:root /opt/network-management/data/admin_management.db
chmod 644 /opt/network-management/data/admin_management.db

3. Service Won't Start

```
bash

# Check Python path
which python3

# Check dependencies
python3 -c "import flask; print('Flask OK')"

# Check logs
logread | grep network-management
```

4. High Memory Usage

```
bash
# Monitor memory usage
free -m
# Consider reducing AI features if memory is limited
```

Performance Optimization

For Limited Resources:

- 1. Disable AI features if memory is constrained
- 2. Reduce monitoring frequency in config
- 3. **Use database cleanup scripts** to manage data size

4. Consider external database for multiple branches

Security Considerations

- 1. Change default passwords immediately
- 2. **Use HTTPS** in production (requires SSL certificate)
- 3. Limit access to management interface
- 4. Regular security updates for OpenWrt and packages
- 5. Monitor logs for suspicious activity

Maintenance

Regular Tasks:

bash

Update packages monthly opkg update && opkg upgrade

Clean old logs

logrotate -f /etc/logrotate.d/network-management

Backup database

cp /opt/network-management/data/admin_management.db /tmp/backup_\$(date +%Y%m%d).db

This installation should give you a fully functional network management system on your TP-Link Archer C7 v5!