



HUAWEI SWITCH BACKUP SCHEDULE MANAGER

Software Application

Abstract

Proposed fully automated software application to backup Huawei switches configurations monthly based.

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Huawei switch backup schedule manager

Customer requirements

Need a software application to backup Huawei switches configurations monthly. (Every 4 weeks)

Each switch should maintain a separate backup folder and it should contain all the backup files (txt file formatted)

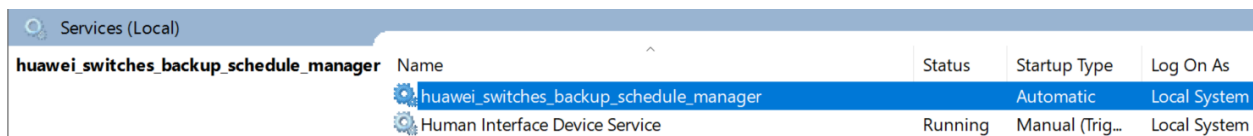
Application should be fully configurable to provide Huawei switch device information like IP address and credentials via text format.

Need to identify the software application status at any given time along with backup files generating info, application warning info and application usage error handling.

Proposed Solution

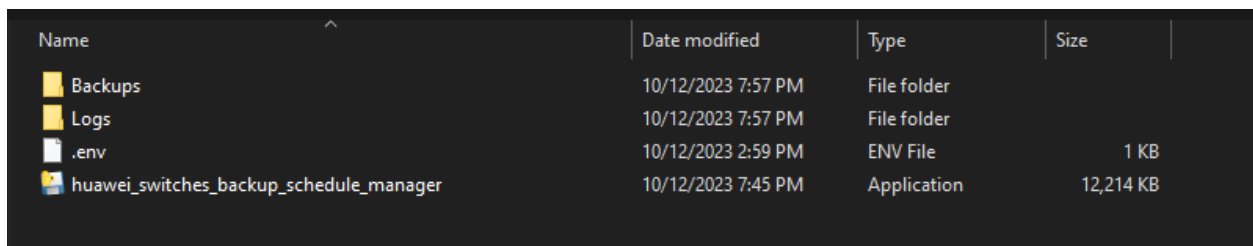
Python based automated software application.

This software application will be implemented using pure Python (version 3.12.0) scripting language and will run as a windows service in a respective windows computer (fully automated).



Name	Status	Startup Type	Log On As
huawei_switches_backup_schedule_manager		Automatic	Local System
Human Interface Device Service	Running	Manual (Trig...	Local System

Figure 1: How implemented application configured as a windows service



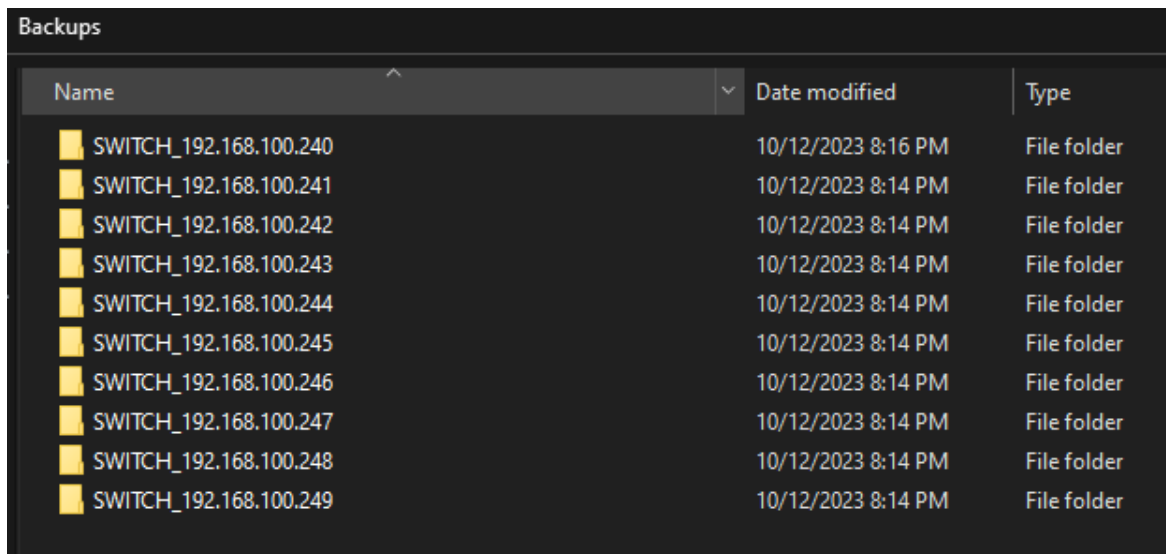
Name	Date modified	Type	Size
Backups	10/12/2023 7:57 PM	File folder	
Logs	10/12/2023 7:57 PM	File folder	
.env	10/12/2023 2:59 PM	ENV File	1 KB
huawei_switches_backup_schedule_manager	10/12/2023 7:45 PM	Application	12,214 KB

Figure 2: Folder structure of the application

Scheduled software application will run every 4 weeks until the defined windows service stops or windows machine shuts down.

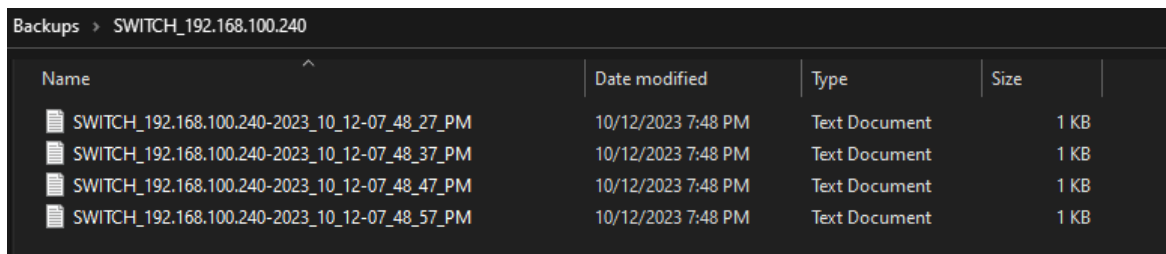
Application will generate and store backup files in dedicated folders according to the given switches information.

Each backup file will contain all the configuration information of the switch when the backup schedule task is executed.



Name	Date modified	Type
SWITCH_192.168.100.240	10/12/2023 8:16 PM	File folder
SWITCH_192.168.100.241	10/12/2023 8:14 PM	File folder
SWITCH_192.168.100.242	10/12/2023 8:14 PM	File folder
SWITCH_192.168.100.243	10/12/2023 8:14 PM	File folder
SWITCH_192.168.100.244	10/12/2023 8:14 PM	File folder
SWITCH_192.168.100.245	10/12/2023 8:14 PM	File folder
SWITCH_192.168.100.246	10/12/2023 8:14 PM	File folder
SWITCH_192.168.100.247	10/12/2023 8:14 PM	File folder
SWITCH_192.168.100.248	10/12/2023 8:14 PM	File folder
SWITCH_192.168.100.249	10/12/2023 8:14 PM	File folder

Figure 3: Switches backup folders



Name	Date modified	Type	Size
SWITCH_192.168.100.240-2023_10_12-07_48_27_PM	10/12/2023 7:48 PM	Text Document	1 KB
SWITCH_192.168.100.240-2023_10_12-07_48_37_PM	10/12/2023 7:48 PM	Text Document	1 KB
SWITCH_192.168.100.240-2023_10_12-07_48_47_PM	10/12/2023 7:48 PM	Text Document	1 KB
SWITCH_192.168.100.240-2023_10_12-07_48_57_PM	10/12/2023 7:48 PM	Text Document	1 KB

Figure 4: How backup files located in each switch backup folder.

Each backup file will be named with the device IP address and backup date time.

Ex: SWITCH_192.168.100.240-2023_10_12-07_48_27_PM.txt.

```
<1F-SC-IDF-A>display current-configuration
!Software Version V200R022C00SPC500
#
sysname 1F-SC-IDF-A
#
vlan batch 10 20 22 24 26 30 40 50 250
#
authentication-profile name default_authen_profile
authentication-profile name dot1x_authen_profile
authentication-profile name dot1xmac_authen_profile
authentication-profile name mac_authen_profile
authentication-profile name multi_authen_profile
authentication-profile name portal_authen_profile
#
telnet server enable
telnet server-source -i Vlanif250
```

Figure 5: Backup configuration information of the switch

Application will manage separate log files to provide continuous feedback of work log.

```
2023-10-12 19:48:27 INFO: HUAWEI switches Backup Schedule Manager started.
2023-10-12 19:48:27 INFO: Backups directory created.
2023-10-12 19:48:27 INFO: Device connected(IP address : 192.168.100.240) at 2023-10-12 19:48:27
2023-10-12 19:48:27 INFO: Send commands to the connected device successfully.
2023-10-12 19:48:27 INFO: Backup file created successfully. SWITCH_192.168.100.240-2023_10_12-07_48_27_PM
2023-10-12 19:48:27 INFO: Next backup file will be created at: 2023_11_09-07_48_27_PM
```

Figure 6: How log file give continues feedback of the application work status.

User can provide device information to the application via configuration text file.

User can always change the switch device information if needed (After changing the device information, windows service must restart)

Application can support multiple switches (limited) with same vendor and version.

If one of configured switch is not available or could not be able to connect, then it will be ignored, and it does not stop other switches scheduled backup file generation. (System administrator should diagnose failure switch separately, once it is fixed backup generation will start again)

User can always refer log files and follow the instructions to mitigate the application warnings and failures if occurs.

All the generated application log files will also be backed up to trace the work log.

Technical specifications of the proposed application development

Python scripting language (version 3.12.0)

Open-source python scripting packages (netmiko, schedule, python-dotenv, pyinstaller)

Recommended operating system: Windows 10 or higher versions

Software license: MIT license

Installation and Technical support

Fully step by step guided software installation documentation will be provided with the application itself.

Initial software installation can be arranged, and technical support can be provided.

Final notes

Please provide your company direction on the above proposed solution to automate monthly backup configuration of Huawei switches.