

User Manual op5 Monitor 3.0



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Introduction

op5 Monitor is a highly flexible monitoring system for monitoring of IT infrastructure. op5 Monitor is based on the widely known open source surveillance system Nagios.

This manual includes information on how to use and configure op 5 Monitor and its components.

Who is this manual for

This manual is targeted for a technical audience. The manual covers how to use and configure op5 Monitor through its web interface. For configuration using direct console access or SSH, see the op5 System manual.

Using op5 Monitor

op5 Monitor is used and configured in a web interface using any standard browser. The most common browsers Explorer and Mozilla have been tested.

The interface is protected by using both authentication, you need to specify a username and password to get access, and by SSL "Secure Socket Layer" which enables a secure manner for accessing the web interface using encryption.



Start page

The start page is the first page that you access accessed by typing https://a.b.c.d/ in your browser. Change a.b.c.d to the IP address of your op5 Monitor system.

This will show general information about the system, what version of monitor that is installed, shortcuts to monitor, support information and more. To access op5 Monitor simply click on Monitor" below the headline Product Shortcuts. This will direct you to https://a.b.c.d/monitor/which is the direct link to op5 Monitor. You can bookmark this link to get directly to op5 Monitor without having to go through the start page.



Working with the Web GUI

op5 Monitors web interface is divided in two parts, the navigation menu to the right and the main window to the left. The navigation menu has four headlines, General, Monitoring, Reporting and Configuration.





General

About Simple menu

Monitoring

Tactical Overview Host Detail Service Detail

Hostgroup Summary Hostgroup Overview Hostgroup Grid

Servicegroup Summary Servicegroup Overview Servicegroup Grid

Status Map Network Map Hyper Map

Network Outages Host Problems Service Problems Unhandled Problems

Show Host:

Comments Downtime

Process Info Performance Info Scheduling Queue

Reporting

Trends
Availability
Alert History
Alert Summary
Notifications
Event Log
Schedule Reports
Statistics

Configuration

View Config Change password Backup / Restore Configure__

Reload

General

About

The about link gets you right back to the op5 System start page. The start page gives you information about the installed products, how to get support and most important of all an easy way to check for updates.

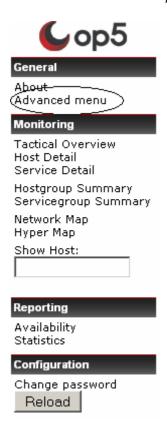
Simply click on the "Check for Updates" button. This will send version information to op5 Support web and generate a unique list of available updates for your system.



Simple/Advanced

There are two modes for the navigation menu, an advanced mode with the full set of selections in the menu and a simple mode with a limited set of selections.

When you log on to op5 Monitor for the first time the side menu will be displayed in simple mode. Just click on the "Advanced menu" link to change mode to advanced mode. The menu will show a full set of selections and the "Advanced menu" item will change name to "Simple menu". To return to simple mode just click on the "Simple menu" link.



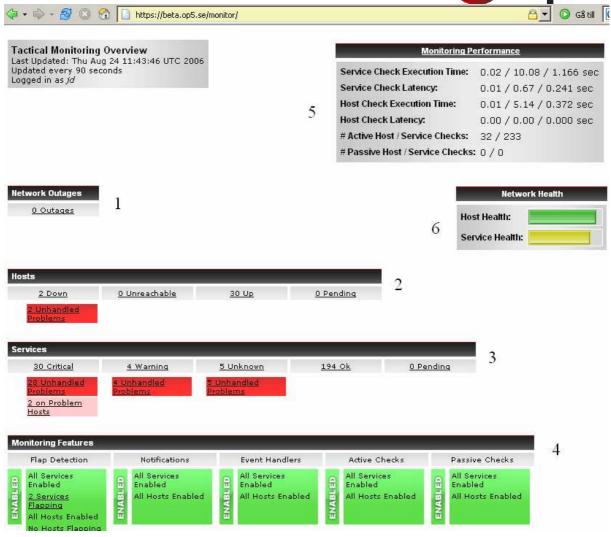
Monitoring

The monitoring headline is related to problem management and status of your network.

Tactical Overview

The Tactical Overview window enables the user to get a summarized picture of the overall network health. It also displays status of the system and gives you the possibility to enable and disable some functions on a system wide basis.





- 1. Network Outages, if a host, for example a switch, goes down it causes hosts located below to become unreachable from the op5 Monitor system. This will then be listed as a Network Outage. You can se what host is causing the outage and also how many hosts that are affected if you follow the link.
- 2. Hosts, Gives you a summarized view of the host and their status. There are four different states:
 - a. Down, the host is not responding.
 - b. Unreachable. The host is unreachable for the system due to a network outage (see network outage)
 - c. Up, the host is working fine.
 - d. Pending, the host has not yet been checked, the check of the host is in a queue about to be executed.
- 3. Services, gives you a summarized view of the service status. There are five different states:
 - a. Critical, the service check responds with a value that is within the configured critical level.
 - b. Warning, the service check responds with a value that is within the configured warning level.
 - c. Unknown, the service of a host does not respond correctly to a service check, or the service check is misconfigured.



- d. Ok, the service is working fine.
- e. Pending, the service has not been checked yet. The check is queued, about to be executed or is configured to never be executed.
- 4. Main configuration Commands. You have the possibility to enable and disable some functionality on global basis. Just by clicking on the enabled icon you can change the configuration.
 - a. Flap Detection. If a host or a service is changing state between an ok and a non-ok state with high frequency, the host or service is flapping and the alarms are suppressed. Monitor has the ability to detect flapping. Flap Detection can be enabled or disabled in this menu.
 - b. Notifications. All status changes, from an ok to a non ok and vice versa is a status change. All status changes can create notification to the configured contacts via email or sms. In this menu the notifications can enabled or disabled for the whole system.
 - c. Event Handlers. Event handler is a function that enables the execution of commands whenever a state change occurs, one possible use for this is to automatically restart a process that has died. This is normally not used in op5 Monitor. These can be enabled or disabled in this menu.
 - d. Active Checks. When determining if a host or a service is ok Monitor performs an active check is. I.e. a plug in is executed for that host or service. This menu choice enables or disables that function.
 - e. Passive Check. Monitor has the ability to receive check results from the outside where the check initially was not performed by Monitor. An example is SNMP traps which are sent from a host. This menu choice enables or disables the processing of these check results.
- 5. Monitoring Performance. This information box gives you information about the op5 Monitor performance. For more information se, Performance Info.
- 6. Network Health. This information box displays an overall system status for hosts and services. It changes color between green and red depending on how good or bad the status is.



Host Detail and Service Detail

Host and Service detail gives you a detailed status list of all hosts. The list is sorted based on the hostname column by default but you can change that by clicking on the arrow icons next to the header of each column. You can also apply filters on what you want to be displayed on the page.

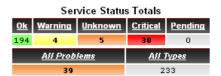
Host Status Totals

Down Unreachable

Host Detail



- View Service Status Detail For All Host
- Groups
 ► View Status Overview For All Host Groups ▶ View Status Summary For All Host Groups
- View Status Grid For All Host Groups



Host Status Details For All Host Groups

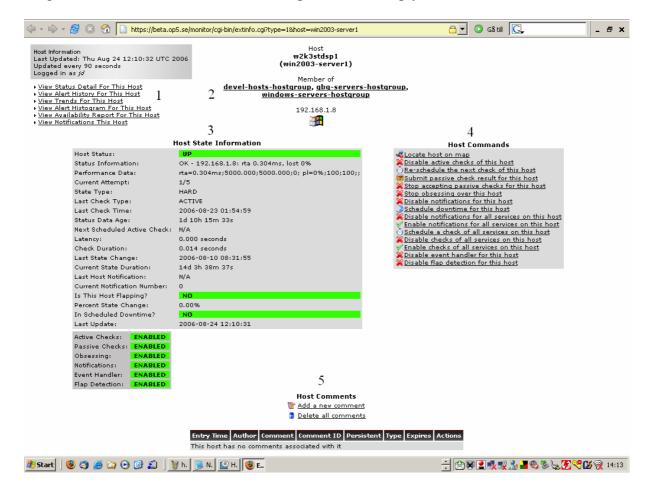
1		2	3	4	5
Host 🛶		Status 🛶	Last Check 🕶	Duration 🛶	Status Information
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dell-server1	★! \	UP	2006-08-24 11:57:06	26d 23h 52m 19s	OK - 127.0.0.1: rta 0.053ms, lost 0%
devel	` ‡क्रि	UP	2006-08-24 11:57:06	26d 23h 52m 17s	OK - 193,201,96,130: rta 0,150ms, lost 0%
gbg-dsl	★ # 	UP	2006-08-23 14:29:47	6d 2h 54m 53s	OK - 213.88.215.13: rta 3.342ms, lost 0%
gbg-router-jd1	<u> </u>	UP	2006-08-24 10:43:24	0d 16h 37m 9s	OK - jdhemma.op5.se: rta 29.485ms, lost 0%
gbg-router1		UP	2006-08-24 11:58:14	9d 11h 46m 34s	OK - 193.201.96.129: rta 2.187ms, lost 0%
gbg-switch1	* -b	UP	2006-08-10 08:30:23	26d 23h 52m 15s	OK - 193.201.96.137: rta 4.181ms, lost 0%
gbg-temp1	★9 b	UP	2006-08-22 04:59:59	26d 23h 50m 21s	OK - 193,201,96,132: rta 1,785ms, lost 0%
google		UP	2006-08-24 02:46:27	0d 22h 25m 27s	OK - www.google.se: rta 44.300ms, lost 0%
<u>h-1-0</u>	₽,	UP	2006-08-22 14:54:39	1d 21h 4m 1s	OK - 127.0.0.1: rta 0.050ms, lost 0%
hp-server1	★ 且以	UP	2006-08-24 11:57:06	26d 23h 52m 13s	OK - 127.0.0.1: rta 0.051ms, lost 0%
linux-server1	$\pm \Lambda \mathbb{D}$	UP	2006-08-24 11:58:14	1d 22h 33m 35s	OK - 193.201.96.2: rta 24.425ms, lost 0%

- 1. Host. Shows you the configured name of the host.
- 2. Status. Shows the current status of the host.
- Last Check. Lists the date and time when the last check was executed. Note: 3. Hosts is only checked when there is a problem with a service, therefore this value can be very old.
- 4. Duration. Shows you the amount of time the host has been in the current state.
- 5. Status Information. Shows you the output of the host check.



Extended host information

To get more detailed information about a specific host simply click on the hostname.

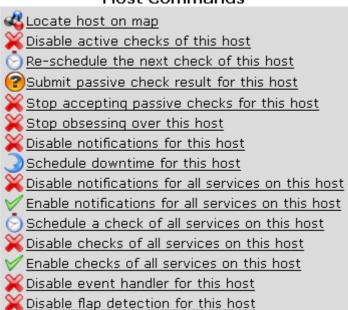


- 1. Useful links to status pages and reports for the selected host.
- 2. Base information about the host. Hostname, description, ipaddress and so
- 3. Host State Information gives you more detailed information about the host
- 4. Host Commands lets you issue commands for that specific host. Read more: Host Commands
- 5. Host Comments lets you add a comment for that specific host, it also lists all comments if there are any.



Host Commands

Host Commands



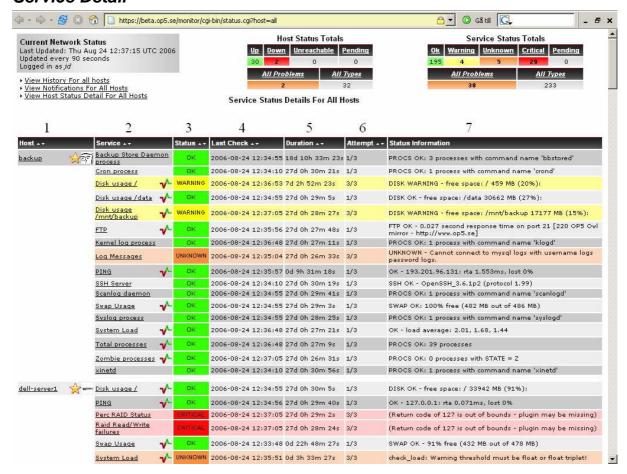
- Locate Host On Map: Link to status map with focus on the host
- **Disable Active Checks Of This Host:** This can be used to temporary disable the host checks for that host.
- Re-schedule Next Host Check: This command is used to schedule the next check of the selected host. Monitor will re-schedule the host to be checked at the time you specify. If you select the force check option, Monitor will force a check of the host regardless of both what time the scheduled check occurs and whether or not checks are enabled for the host.
- Submit Passive Check Result For This Host: This command is used to submit a passive check result for the selected host. It can for example be used to clear the state on a passive host.
- Stop Accepting Passive Checks For This Host: This command is used to stop Monitor from accepting passive host check results that it finds in the external command file for a particular host. All passive check results that are found for this host will be ignored.
- **Stop Obsessing Over This Host:** This is only used when configuring certain redundant solutions and should normally not be used.
- **Acknowledge this host problem:** This alternative is only displayed if the host is in a non ok state. It lets you acknowledge the problem and type in a log message. This message is sent out as a notification and also displayed in the system for everybody to see. This functionality is highly recommended.
- **Disable Notifications For This Host:** This command is used to prevent notifications from being sent out for the specified host. You will have to re-enable notifications for this host before any alerts can be sent out in the future. Note that this command does not disable notifications for services associated with this host.
- **Schedule Downtime For This Host:** This command is used to schedule downtime on the selected host.



- **Disable Notifications For All Services On This Host:** This command is used to prevent notifications from being sent out for all services on the selected host. You will have to re-enable notifications for all services associated with this host before any alerts can be sent out in the future. This does not prevent notifications from being sent out about the host unless you check the 'Disable for host too' option.
- Enable Notifications For All Services On This Host: This command is used to enable notifications for all services on the selected host. Notifications will only be sent out for the service state types you defined in your service definition. This does not enable notifications for the host unless you check the 'Enable for host too' option.
- Schedule A Check Of All Services On This Host: This command is used to schedule the next check of all services on the selected host. If you select the force check option, Monitor will force a check of all services on the host regardless of both what time the scheduled checks occur and whether or not checks are enabled for those services.
- **Disable Checks Of All Services On This Host:** This command is used to disable active checks of all services on the selected host. When a service is disabled op5 Monitor will execute any service checks. In order to have Monitor check the service in the future you will have to re-enable the service. Note that disabling service checks may not necessarily prevent notifications from being sent out about the host which those services are associated with. This does not disable checks of the host unless you check the 'Disable for host too' option.
- Enable Checks Of All Services On This Host: This command is used to enable active checks of all services on the selected host. This does not enable checks of the host unless you check the 'Enable for host too' option.
- **Disable Event Handler For This Host:** This command is used to temporarily prevent op5 Monitor from running the host event handler on the selected host.
- **Disable Flap Detection For This Host:** This command is used to disable flap detection for the selected host.



Service Detail

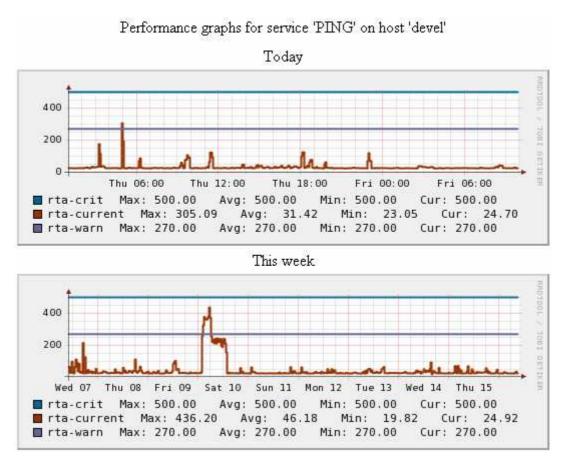


- 1. **Host:** Shows you the configured name of the host.
- 2. **Service:** Shows you the name of the service.
- 3. **Status:** Shows the current status of the service.
- 4. **Last Check:** Lists the date and time when the last check was executed.
- 5. **Duration:** Shows you the amount of time the service has been in the current state.
- 6. **Attempt:** Shows you how many attempts the system has made to decide the current state of the service.
- 7. **Status Information:** Shows you the output of the service check.



op5 Monitor Simple Graphs

The output data from service checks can be parsed and displayed as graphs. Click on the icon that is displayed next to the service name to see the graphs.

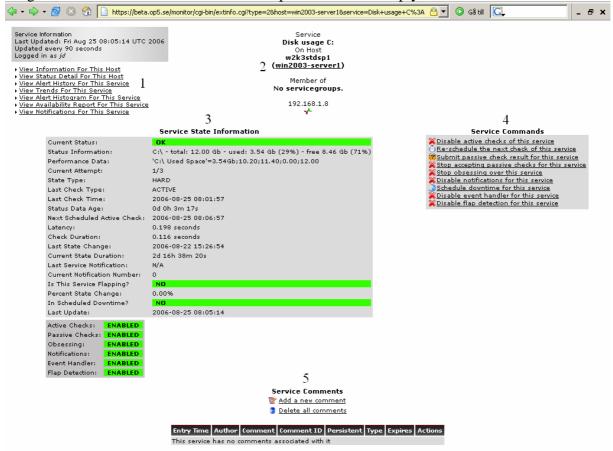


There are fore graphs displayed, daily, weekly, monthly and yearly.



Extended service Information

To get more detailed information about a specific service simply click on the service name.



- 1. Useful links to status pages and reports for the selected service.
- 2. Base information about the service. Service description, which host the service is located on and which service groups the service is member of.
- 3. Service State Information gives you more detailed information about the service status
- 4. Service Commands lets you issue commands for that specific service. Read more: Service commands
- 5. Service Comments lets you add a comment for that specific service, it also lists all comments if there are any.



Service commands

Service Commands

XDisable active checks of this service

Re-schedule the next check of this service

Submit passive check result for this service

Stop accepting passive checks for this

service.

Stop obsessing over this service

Disable notifications for this service

Schedule downtime for this service

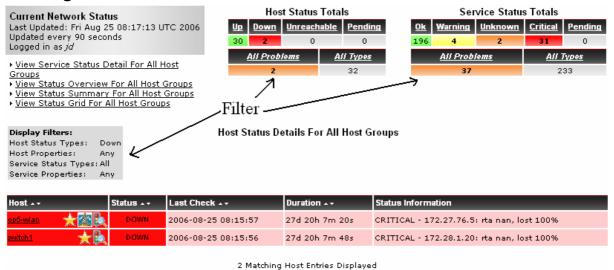
🙀 Disable event handler for this service

XDisable flap detection for this service

- **Disable Active Checks Of This Service:** This can be used to temporary disable the checks for that service.
- **Re-schedule Next Service Check:** This command is used to reschedule the next check of the selected service. op5 Monitor will re-schedule the service to be checked at the time you specify. If you select the force check option, op5 Monitor will force a check of the service regardless of both what time the scheduled check occurs and whether or not checks are enabled.
- Submit Passive Check Result For This Service: This command is used to submit a passive check result for the selected service. It can for example be used to clear the state on a passive service.
- Stop Accepting Passive Checks For This Service: This command is used to stop op5 Monitor from accepting passive check results for the selected service. All passive check results that are found for service will be ignored.
- **Stop Obsessing Over This Service:** This is only used when configuring certain redundant solutions and should normally not be used.
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- **Disable Notifications For This Service:** This command is used to prevent notifications from being sent out for the selected service. You will have to re-enable notifications for this service before any alerts can be sent out in the future. This does not prevent notifications from being sent out about the host unless you check the 'Disable for host too' option.
- **Delay Next Service Notification:** This command lets you delay the time until next notification is sent out. Normally op5 Monitor is configured to only send out one notification when a problem occurs but if you have configured reoccurring notifications you can use this command.
- **Schedule Downtime For This Service:** This command is used to schedule downtime on the selected service.
- **Disable Event Handler For This Service:** This command is used to temporarily prevent op5 Monitor from running the host event handler on the selected service.
- **Disable Flap Detection For This Service:** This command is used to disable flap detection for the selected host.



Filtering



Many views below Monitoring provide you with the ability to filter what the page shall

display. If you click on any of the links below "Host Status Totals" and "Service Status Totals" a textbox named "Display Filters" shows. This box tells you the filter that has been defined. Default mode is no filter applied. Filters are used at many places in op5 Monitor, for example when you click on some of the links in Tactical Overview.

Host group Summary, Overview and Grid

A host group is used to group one or more hosts together for display purposes. You can for example create host groups to reflect the geographical locations of your hosts or type of host. A host can be a member of several host groups.

The available views for host groups are:



Host group Summary

Status Summary For All Host Groups

Host Group	Host Status Totals	Service Status Totals
Hosts that are used for development (devel-hosts-hostgroup)	2 UP	19 OK 1 WARNING
External Hosts (non OP5) (external-hosts-hostgroup)	<u>2 UP</u>	<u>4 OK</u>
Network Devices in Gothenburg (gbg-net-hostgroup)	4 UP	13 OK 1 UNKNOWN
All Servers in Gothenburg (aba-servers-hostaroup)	7 UP	84 OK 3 WARNING 1 UNKNOWN
Hosts that user Limit01 shall see (limit01-hostgroup)	4 UP	33 OK 2 WARNING 1 UNKNOWN
All Linux Servers (linux-servers-hostgroup)	<u>10 UP</u>	106 OK 3 WARNING 1 UNKNOWN 15 CRITICAL
All Network devices, ie switches and routers (network-hostgroup)	7 UP 1 DOWN	28 OK 1 UNKNOWN 1 CRITICAL

Hostgroup Summary shows you a table with a row for each host group and three columns, Host Group, Host Status Totals and Service Status totals. This is a god view if you quickly want to get a summary of all your host groups.

Host group Overview

Service Overview For All Host Groups

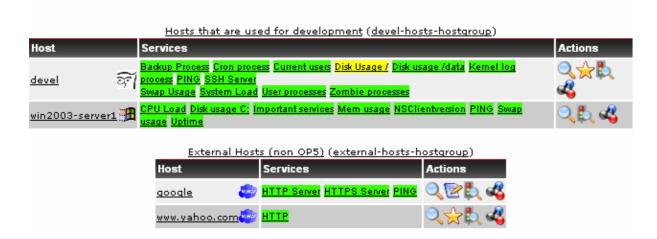


Hostgroup Overview draws one table per host group listing each host and a summary of service status totals.



Host group Grid

Status Grid For All Host Groups



Hostgroup Grid is the most detailed view it shows one table per host group listing each host and service with colors representing status.

Service group Summary, Overview and Grid

A servicegroup definition is used to group one or more services together for display purposes. You can for example create a group and include all services related to a specific service you provide, process, disk usage, cpu usage, internet connectivity and so on. You can also create groups based on service type. A service can be a member of more than one service group. The service groups can also be used when creating Availability reports.

The available views for service groups are:

Service group Summary

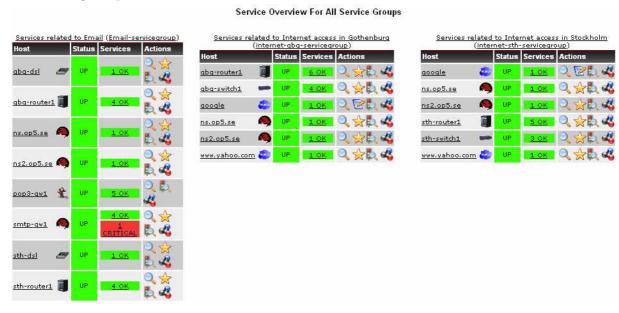
Service Group	Host Status Totals	Service Status Totals
Services related to Email (Email-servicegroup)	8 UP	22 OK
Services related to Internet access in Gothenburg (internet-gbg-servicegroup)	6 UP	<u>14 OK</u>
Services related to Internet access in Stockholm (internet-sth-servicegroup)	6 UP	<u>12 OK</u>

Status Summary For All Service Groups

Servicegroup Summary shows you a table with a row for each service group and three fields, Service Group, Host Status Totals and Service Status Totals. This is a god view if you quickly want to get a summary of all your service groups.



Service group Overview



Service group Overview draws one table per service group listing each host and a summary of service status totals.



Service group Grid

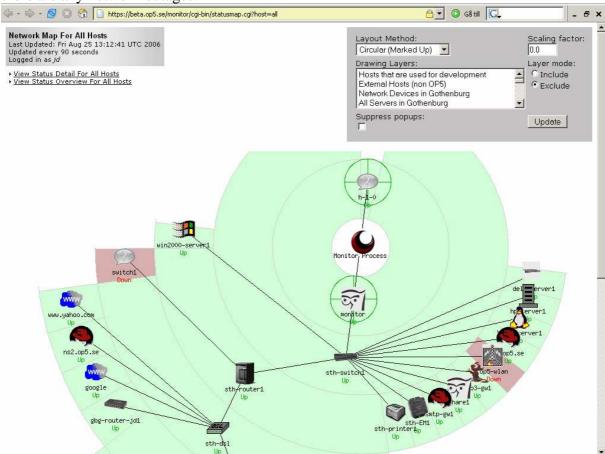


Servicegroup Grid is the most detailed view it shows one table per service group listing each host and service with colors representing status.

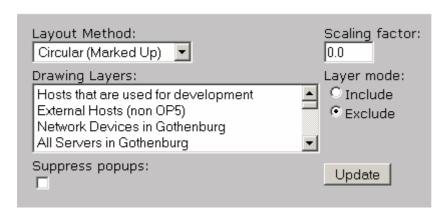


Status Map

The Status Map gives you a graphical view of the network including the relations between the hosts. The Map also shows what parts of the network that is functional, non-functional and if there are any network outages.



In the upper right corner you can change a couple of settings that controls the layout and behavior for the status map.



- Layout Method, there are a couple of layout methods available
 - o User-supplied coords, you can configure x and y coords for your hosts (see host Extras for more information)



- o Depth layers, shows only one level of the network at a time. Click on a host to display the host and the underlying layer.
- o Collapsed tree, shows the network in a tree layout with everything centered towards the middle
- o Balanced tree, shows the network in a tree layout but with the underlying levels centered below each parent host.
- o Circular, shows a circular layout.
- o Circular (Marked Up), this is the default selection. It shows a circular layout with a background that shows the different levels of the network and also changes color depending of the status of the hosts.
- o Circular (Balloon), shows a circular layout with each host represented as a balloon with the size determined of how many services that are monitored for the host. More services gives you larger balloons.
- Drawing Layers, together with Layer mode you can select to include or exclude hosts based on hostgroup from the status map. Default is to show all hosts.
- Scaling factor, simply changes the size of the status map image. 0.0 is default, if you want to display half the size enter 0.5, double the size 2.0 and so on.

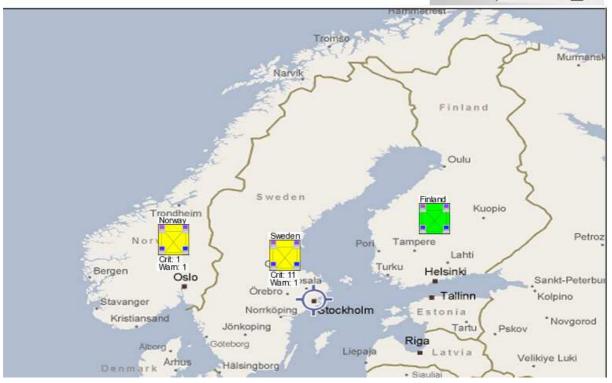
Note: If your network is large or designed in a flat way, for example a layer 2 ethernet network, the status map isn't really usable. Take a look at Network Map or Hyper Map instead.

Network Map

The network map is an enhanced version of the status map with possibility to create highly customized views of a network by just click and place hosts, host groups and views on a map.



OP5 Monitor Networkmap v3.0.0-rc.2 Last Updated: Fri Aug 14:10:15 UTC 2006 Updated every 90 seconds. Logged in as jd Current custom view: Nordic



The image above shows you the default layout of the network map, a background image of the Nordic countries including 3 custom maps.

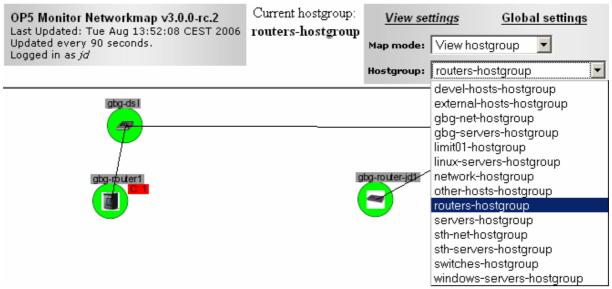
Configuration of the network map is done from the configuration box in the upper right corner



- View settings, is displayed by default and let you change Map mode. What's displayed below Map mode is determined off what you select. There are 4 available map modes, View hostgroup, View custom map (default), Edit hostgroup and Edit custom map. Each of the modes is displayed further down.
- Global Settings, lets you change refresh rate of the page and Map scale. With map scale you can change the size of your network map.



View host group



With View hostgroup you can view a map of each hostgroup. You get a drop down menu with all hostgroups listed.

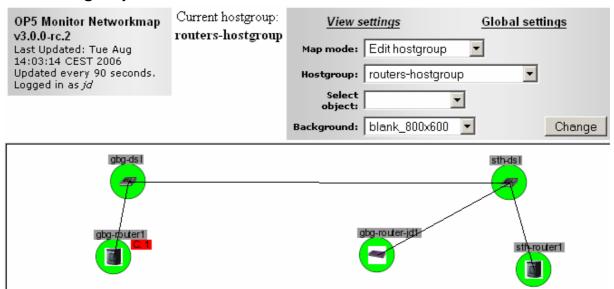
View custom map (default)



View custom map let you select from all custom maps that are defined. Custom maps are configured with Edit custom map.

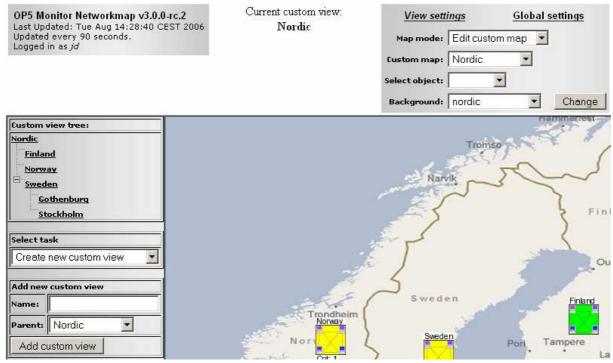


Edit host group



Here you can configure the layout of the hosts. You can place the hosts where you want either clicking on the host you want to move or select it from the "Select object:" drop down menu and then click on the new location for the host.

Edit custom map



Custom maps are configured in a tree hierarchy. This makes it possible to have several network layers.

In the top you have "Custom view tree:" where you can navigate through the tree. Below you have "Select task".

Available tasks are:

• Create new custom view: Allows you to create new views

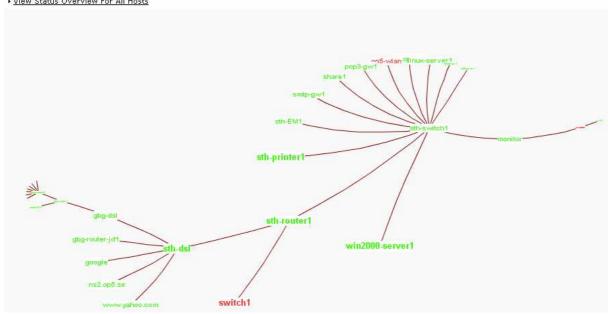


- Rename this view: Allows you to rename the selected view
- Add items to this view: Allows you to add items (host groups and hosts) to the selected view
- Remove items from this view: Allows you to remove items (host groups and hosts) from the selected view
- **Handle background images:** Allows you to upload new background images (must be .png format), Set default background and delete existing background images.

Hyper Map

Hypergraph Map For All Hosts Last Updated: Tue Aug 29 15:11:57 CEST 2006 Updated every 90 seconds Logged in as jd

- View Status Detail For All Hosts
 View Status Overview For All Hosts



Hyper Map is a new map introduced in op5 Monitor 3.0. It is a java applet that draws all hosts and connections and then let you, by using the mouse. Drag the map or click in it to change its layout.

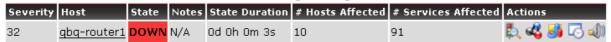
If you click on a spot on the map it will center itself to that spot. If you hold the mouse pointer over a host you will se a status summary for the host. If you click on a host you will get to the service detail page for that host.

Network Outages

By using event correlation op5 Monitor will suppress all host alarms that comes from hosts behind a faulty host. Monitor is preconfigured with knowledge of the physical structure of the network and creates a notification of which host that is causing the outage. Digging into the problem at a deeper level is left to the user, as there is any number of things which might actually be the cause of the problem.



Blocking Outages

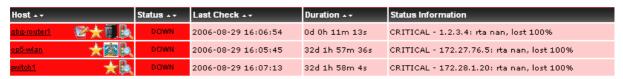


- **Severity:** In order to display the problem hosts in a somewhat useful manner, they are sorted by the severity of the effect they are having on the network. The severity level is determined by two things: The number of hosts which are affected by problem host and the number of services which are affected. Hosts hold a higher weight than services when it comes to calculating severity. The current code sets this weight ratio at 4:1 (i.e. hosts are 4 times more important than individual services).
- **Host:** Name of the host causing the network outage
- State: State of the host
- Notes: Link to comments for the host, if there are no comments N/A is displayed
- State Duration: For how long has the outage been going on
- **Hosts Affected:** Number of hosts affected by the outage
- Services Affected: Number of services affected by the outage
- Actions: A couple of icons that links you to different status pages. For a full list of icons and images se Fel! Hittar inte referenskälla.

Host Problems



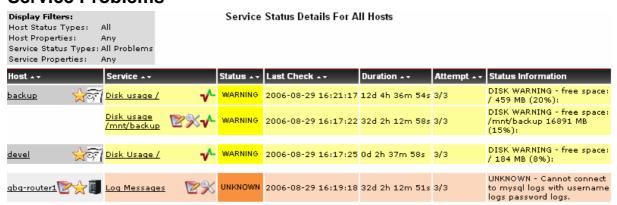
Host Status Details For All Host Groups



3 Matching Host Entries Displayed

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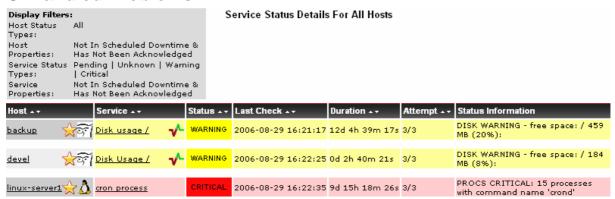
Service Problems



The service problems view is similar to the Service Detail view. The difference is the display of status, service problems only shows services in a non ok state.



Unhandled Problems



Unhandled problems show all problems that is not in scheduled downtime, or has not been acknowledged as stated in the Display Filter info box.

The idea of this view is that is should give the user a good view of new problems that hasn't been taken care of. Unhandled Problems is a good status view for helpdesk staff.

Show Host

Simple search box that let you search for a host by typing the initial letters of the host name in the field that says "show host" in the main menu. Press enter and the host and its services detail will be shown.

Note: This is really a simple search, it will only show the first match and the search is case sensitive.

Comments

All hosts and services can have one or more comments related to it. A comment is a free text note of your choice.



Host name: The host the comment is related to. **Service:** The service the comment is related to.

Entry Time: Date and time when the comment was added.



Author: The author of the comment. **Comment:** The comment itself.

Comment ID: A Unique ID number for the comment, it can be used as a reference number. **Persistent:** If the comment is persistent or not. Comments that are not persistent will be removed if the op5 Monitor system is restarted.

Type: What kind of comment, User, System or acknowledgement.

Expires: This is only used for comments automatically added by the system such as

scheduled downtime or flapping comments. **Actions:** Possibility to delete a comment.

Downtime

Using scheduled downtime enables you to plan for system work ahead. When a host or service is scheduled for downtime op5 Monitor suppresses alarms for that host or service. Furthermore op5 Monitor informs you about when a host or service is scheduled for downtime through the web interface. Information about the scheduled downtime is also stored in the logs so that planned system work does not affect availability reports (read more on Availability).

It is possible to schedule downtime for hosts, services, entire host groups and service groups. You can also configure triggered downtime for hosts located below a host currently during scheduled downtime.

Basically the window consists of shortcuts to the currently configured scheduled downtime for hosts and services. There is also a links to schedule downtime. Those links can be reached from each host and service view as well.

The rest is a listing of all scheduled downtime. 🜗 🔻 🦃 🧸 🔕 🚷 📋 https://beta.op5.se/monitor/cgi-bin/extinfo.cgi?&type=6 🛅 🔻 🔘 Gå till 🔼 _ 8 x All Host and Service Scheduled Downtime Last Updated: Tue Aug 29 17:32:56 CEST 2006 Updated every 90 seconds Logged in as jd [Host Downtime | Service Downtime] Scheduled Host Downtime Schedule host downtime Actions Host Name Entry Time Start Time Type Duration 2006-08-29 Johannes 2006-08-29 2006-08-29 23:00:00 upgrade of Fixed Od 1h Om aba-switch1 2006-08-29 17:23:13 Johannes Dagemark 2006-08-29 22:00:00 2006-08-29 23:00:00 Fixed Od 1h Om upgrade of backup 1 Fixed Od 1h Om Johannes Dagemark 2006-08-29 22:00:00 2006-08-29 23:00:00 2006-08-29 22:00:00 2006-08-29 23:00:00 2006-08-29 17:23:13 Johannes Dagemark upgrade of os Fixed Od 1h Om Os 1 aba-temp1 2006-08-29 23:00:00 Johannes Dagemark 2006-08-29 22:00:00 2006-08-29 23:00:00 2006-08-29 17:23:13 Johannes Dagemark upgrade of os Fixed Od 1h Om Os vmware1 2006-08-29 17:23:13 Johannes Dagemark 2006-08-29 22:00:00 2006-08-29 23:00:00 upgrade of web1 2006-08-29 23:00:00 win2003-server1 2006-08-29 17:23:13 Johannes Dagemark 2006-08-29 22:00:00 upgrade of Fixed Od 1h Om Scheduled Service Downtime <u> Schedule service downtime</u>

Host Name Service Entry Time Author Comment Start Time End Time Type Duration Downtime ID Trigger ID Actions

Host name: Host name which the downtime affects.

There are no services with scheduled downtime



Service: Service which the downtime affects.

Entry Time: Time for creation of the scheduled downtime. **Author:** The name of the author of the scheduled downtime.

Comment: Comments to the scheduled downtime.

Start time: Start time and date of the scheduled downtime. **End Time:** End time and date for the scheduled downtime.

Type: If the downtime is a fixed entry, it starts at the "Start Time" and ends at the "End Time". If the schedule isn't fixed then it starts when the host or service goes down in-between the Start and End time and lasts as long as the configured duration (very useful if you don't

really know when you will start your maintenance)

Duration: Is the duration of flexible scheduled downtime. **Downtime ID:** Unique ID of the scheduled downtime.

Trigger ID: ID of the downtime that triggers start of this downtime. **Actions:** Allows you to delete a configured scheduled downtime.

Process Info

The process information window gives you information about the monitor system as well as giving you the possibility to run system wide commands.

Process Information

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Program Start Time:	2006-08-29 17:24:09
Total Running Time:	Od Oh 13m 15s
Last External Command Check:	2006-08-29 17:37:23
Last Log File Rotation:	N/A
Monitor PID	15765
Notifications Enabled?	YES
Service Checks Being Executed?	YES
Passive Service Checks Being Accepted?	YES
Host Checks Being Executed?	YES
Passive Host Checks Being Accepted?	YES
Event Handlers Enabled?	Yes
Obsessing Over Services?	No
Obsessing Over Hosts?	No
Flap Detection Enabled?	Yes
Performance Data Being Processed?	Yes

Process Commands

Process Commands
Shutdown the Monitor process
Restart the Monitor process
XDisable notifications
Stop executing service checks
Stop accepting passive service checks
Stop executing host checks
Stop accepting passive host checks
XDisable event handlers
Start Monitor logic process self surveillance details
✓ Start obsessing over hosts
XDisable flap detection
XDisable performance data

The process information

Program start time: The date and time when the monitor process was started or reloaded.

Total running time: The amount of time Monitor has been up and running.

Last external command check: The date and time when the last check for external

commands was executed. Op5 Monitor's web gui is controlled using external commands so it

needs to check for them often.

Last log file rotation: Date and time when the log files where rotated.

Monitor PID: op5 Monitor's Process ID. **Notifications enabled:** (Yes or No)

Service Checks Being Executed: (Yes or No) **Passive service checks being accepted:** (Yes or No)

Host check being executed: (Yes or No)

Passive host checks being accepted: (Yes or No)

Event handler enabled: (Yes or No) Obsessing over services: (Yes or No) Obsessing over hosts: (Yes or No)



Flap Detection enabled: (Yes or No)

Performance data being processed: (Yes or No)

Process Commands

Shutdown the Monitor Process: Shutdown the Monitor program. Be aware that to start the process again you need to access the system by console or SSH, se the op5 System manual for more information.

Restart the Monitor Process: The op5 Monitor process stops and starts again.

Disable Notifications: All notifications are disabled.

Stop executing service checks: This will cause op5 Monitor to stop all execution of all service checks.

Stop accepting passive service checks: This will cause op5 Monitor to stop accepting all passive service checks.

Stop executing host checks: This will cause op5 Monitor to stop all execution of host checks.

Stop accepting passive host checks: This will cause op5 Monitor to stop receiving external host checks.

Disable event handlers: This will cause op 5 Monitor to disable event handling (automatic reaction to events).

Start obsessing over services: Only used in certain redundant setups.

Start obsessing over hosts: Only used in certain redundant setups.

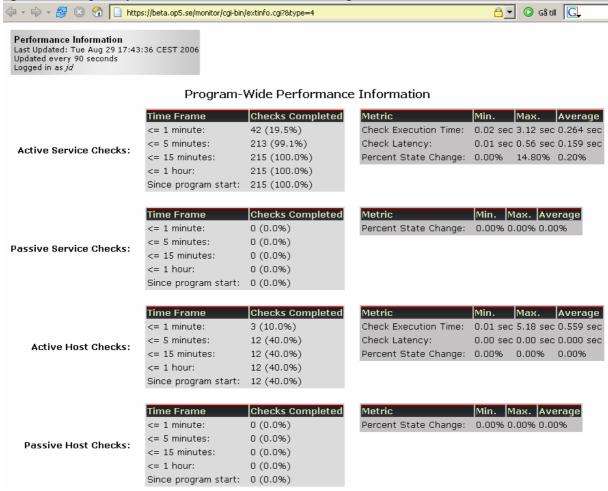
Disable flap detection: Disable the detection of hosts and services pending between different states.

Enable performance data: Storage of performance data for hosts and services.



Performance Info

op5 Monitor gives you detailed information about its performance.



Active Service Checks

The textbox to the left shows you how many active service checks the system has done in a time frame of 1 minute, 5 minutes, 15 minutes, 1 hour and since program start. An active check is a check that op5 Monitor has scheduled and executed it self. Read more about Passive Service Checks below. The values can be used to get an idea of how op5 Monitor is performing. If you have configured a default check interval of five minutes you should have a value close to 100%.

The textbox to the right shows:

- Check Execution Time: This is the time it takes for op5 Monitor to execute its checks. The average value should be fairly low, close to one second in most cases.
- Check Latency: This value tells you how far behind the system is when scheduling its checks. The average value should be fairly close to zero.
- Percent State Change: This is a quite interesting number. It tells you the stability of the monitored infrastructure. If the average value is high it tells you that a lot of things in your infrastructure are changing state. If the value is low it can mean that everything is constantly up or down.



Passive Service Checks

The textbox to the right shows you how many passive service checks the system has done in a time frame of 1 minute, 5 minutes, 15 minutes, 1 hour and since program start. A passive service check is a check where the check result has been delivered to op5 Monitor from an external source, for example a script. Normally most checks are Active Service Checks so the values can be quite low or equal to zero.

Active Host Checks

The textbox to the left shows you how many active host checks the system has done in a time frame of 1 minute, 5 minutes, 15 minutes, 1 hour and since program start. An active host check is a check that op5 Monitor has scheduled and executed it self. Read more about Passive Host Checks below. Host checks are normally not scheduled to be checked at a certain interval, default behavior is that op5 Monitor only executes host checks if there is a problem with one of the hosts services. The values in this box can therefore not be used as a performance measurement.

Note that if you have a lot of active hosts checks executed then you probably have an unstable network and a large "percent state change" value.

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Scheduling Queue

This is op5 Monitors working schedule. The list includes all services that are scheduled and information about when last check was executed and when next check will be. The list can be sorted as with the host and service detail by clicking the arrows next to the name host, service, last check or next check. The list will be sorted in ascending or descending order.

Check Scheduling Queue Last Updated: Thu Aug 31 14:25:23 CEST 2006 Updated every 90 seconds Logged in as jd

Entries sorted by next check time (ascending)

Host 🛶	Service	Last Check ••	Next Check **	Active Checks	Actions
<u>vmware1</u>	<u>Disk usage /</u>	2006-08-31 14:20:23	2006-08-31 14:25:23	ENABLED	×o
vmware1	Current users	2006-08-31 14:20:24	2006-08-31 14:25:24	ENABLED	×o
linux-server1	Backup Process	2006-08-31 14:20:24	2006-08-31 14:25:24	ENABLED	×÷
vmware1	Zombie processes	2006-08-31 14:20:27	2006-08-31 14:25:27	ENABLED	×o
vmware1	Cron process	2006-08-31 14:20:27	2006-08-31 14:25:27	ENABLED	×o
vmware1	System Load	2006-08-31 14:20:33	2006-08-31 14:25:33	ENABLED	×o
sth-router1	PING	2006-08-31 14:20:50	2006-08-31 14:25:50	ENABLED	×O
ns2.op5.se	Disk usage /dev/hda1	2006-08-31 14:20:50	2006-08-31 14:25:50	ENABLED	×o
ns.op5.se	SSH Server	2006-08-31	2006-08-31	ENABLED	×O

Host: The host name for which the check is to be executed.



Service: The Service name for which the check is to be executed.

Last Check: When the check was last performed. **Next Check:** When the next check will be performed. **Active Checks:** If active checks is enabled or disabled.

Actions: The clock links you to specify a new time for check execution. The X let you disable

an active check for that service and host.

Reporting

The Monitoring headline basically covers everything in op5 Monitor that is happening in real time. It shows you the status on your hosts and services right now. The Reporting headline is about letting the user create historical reports from the information that op5 Monitor has collected.

Trends

Trends display a graphic view of status on a host or a service during a selected report period. This graphical view can also be reached from Availability reports.

Step 1: Select Report Type

Type:	Host 🔻
	Continue to Step 2

Select the preferred report type, Host or Service.

Step 2: Select Host

Host:	backup •
	Continue to Step 3

Select host or service you want the report based on.



Step 3: Select Report Options

Report period:	Last 7 Days
If Custom Report Period	
Start Date (Inclusive):	August 1 2006
End Date (Inclusive):	August 🔽 31 2006
Assume Initial States:	Yes ▼
Assume State Retention:	Yes ▼
Assume States During Program Downtime:	Yes 🔻
Include Soft States:	Yes 🔻
First Assumed Host State:	Current State ▼
Backtracked Archives (To Scan For Initial States):	1
	Create Report

Now you have the ability to select report options to customize your report

Report period: Choose by a set of predefined report periods or choose "CUSTOM REPORT PERIOD", and specify Start and End date.

Start Date (Inclusive): Specify Start Date if "CUSTOM REPORT PERIOD" was selected above

End Date (Inclusive): Specify End Date if "CUSTOM REPORT PERIOD" was selected above

Assume Initial States: Whether to assume logging of initial states or not. Default values are YES. For advanced users the value can be modified by editing the nagios.cfg config file located in the /opt/monitor/etc directory.

Assume State Retention: Whether to assume state retention or not. State retention determines if op5 Monitor should retain the states of hosts and services between program restarts. Default is YES. For advanced users the value can be modified by editing the nagios.cfg config file located in the /opt/monitor/etc directory.

Assume States During Program Downtime: If op5 Monitor is not running for some time during a report period we can by this option decide to assume states for hosts and services during the downtime. Default value is YES.

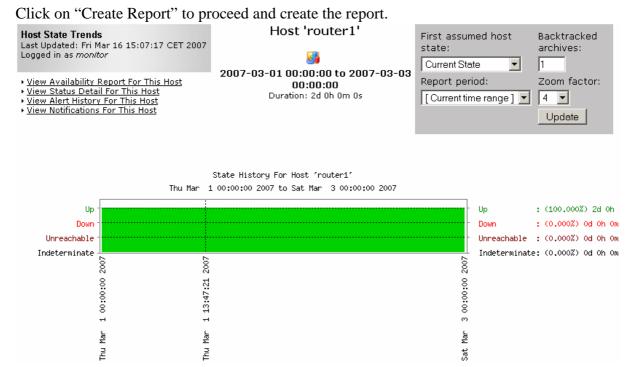
Include Soft States: A problem is classified as a SOFT problem until the number of checks has reached the configured max_check_attempts value. When max_check_attempts is reached the problem is reclassified as HARD and normally op5 Monitor will send out a notification about the problem. SOFT problem's does not result in a notification. If you select YES, SOFT states will be included in the report, if NO only HARD states will be included.

First Assumed Host State: If there is no information about the host or service in the current log file, op5 Monitor can assume status of the host/service. Default value is "Current State".



First Assumed Service State: If there is no information about the host or service in the current log file, op5 Monitor can assume status of the host/service. Default value is "Current State".

Backtracked Archives (To Scan For Initial States): How many log archives to look through when searching for initial states. op5 Monitor is configured to rotate the log monthly.



The graph that is created shows what state the host has been in over the selected report interval. You can zoom into the graph by clicking on it.

Availability

The availability report shows availability of hostgroups, servicegroups, hosts or services during a selected report period.

Step 1: Select Report Type



Select the preferred report type, Hostgroup, Host, Servicegroup or Service.

Step 2: Select Hostgroup



Select the object for your report. Note that you can now select to create a report for all objects in the list or for one specific object.



Step 3: Select Report Options

Report Period:	Last 7 Days
If Custom Report Period	
Start Date (Inclusive):	December 🔽 1 2006
End Date (Inclusive):	December ▼ 5 2006
Report Time Period:	
Assume Initial States:	Yes 🔻
Assume State Retention:	Yes 🔻
Assume States During Program Downtime:	Yes ▼
Include Soft States:	Yes ▼
First Assumed Host State:	Current State
First Assumed Service State:	Current State
Backtracked Archives (To Scan For Initial States):	1
	Create Availability Report!

Now you have the ability to select report options to customize your report

Report Period: Choose by a set of predefined report periods or choose "CUSTOM REPORT PERIOD", and specify Start and End date.

Start Date (Inclusive): Specify Start Date if "CUSTOM REPORT PERIOD" was selected above

End Date (Inclusive): Specify End Date if "CUSTOM REPORT PERIOD" was selected above

Report Time Period: What time should the report be created for. Tip: This can be used for SLA reporting.

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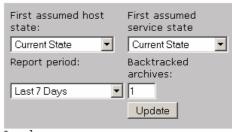
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Click on "Create Report" to create the availability report







[Availability report completed in 0 min 0 sec]

Hostgroup 'devel-hosts-hostgroup' Host State Breakdowns:

Host	% Time Up	% Time Down	% Time Unreachable	% Time Undetermined
<u>build</u>	84.320% (84.320%)	15.680% (15.680%)	0.000% (0.000%)	0.000%
<u>devel</u>	100.000% (100.000%)	0.000% (0.000%)	0.000% (0.000%)	0.000%
<u>loq-be.int</u>	99.998% (99.998%)	0.002% (0.002%)	0.000% (0.000%)	0.000%
vmware3-dell	99.754% (99.754%)	0.246% (0.246%)	0.000% (0.000%)	0.000%
win2003-server1	77.297% (77.297%)	22.703% (22.703%)	0.000% (0.000%)	0.000%
Average	92.274% (92.274%)	7.726% (7.726%)	0.000% (0.000%)	0.000%
Group Average	61.774%	0.000%	N/A	N/A

Hostgroup 'external-hosts-hostgroup' Host State Breakdowns:

Host	% Time Up	% Time Down	% Time Unreachable	% Time Undetermined
<u>internet</u>	99.993% (99.993%)	0.007% (0.007%)	0.000% (0.000%)	0.000%
mm_	99.985% (99.985%)	0.015% (0.015%)	0.000% (0.000%)	0.000%
ns2.op5.se	100.000% (100.000%)	0.000% (0.000%)	0.000% (0.000%)	0.000%
www.google.se	99.955% (99.955%)	0.045% (0.045%)	0.000% (0.000%)	0.000%
www.yahoo.com	100.000% (100.000%)	0.000% (0.000%)	0.000% (0.000%)	0.000%
Average	99.986% (99.986%)	0.014% (0.014%)	0.000% (0.000%)	0.000%
Group Average	99.932%	0.000%	N/A	N/A

The report displays a couple of values related to availability, in this example hostgroup availability.

Host: The name of a specific host in the group.

% Time Up: The amount of time the host has been in the state UP during the report period. % Time Down: The amount of time the host has been in the state DOWN during the report period.



% Time Unreachable: The amount of time the host has been in the state UNREACHABLE during the report period

% Time Undetermined: The amount of time the host has been in UNDETERMINED state. This describes the time where op5 Monitor for some reason does not have any data in the report period. For example if a report includes a host which has not been existing in op5 Monitor's configuration during the whole report period.

There are two values displayed for each time above except for the %Time Undetermined value.

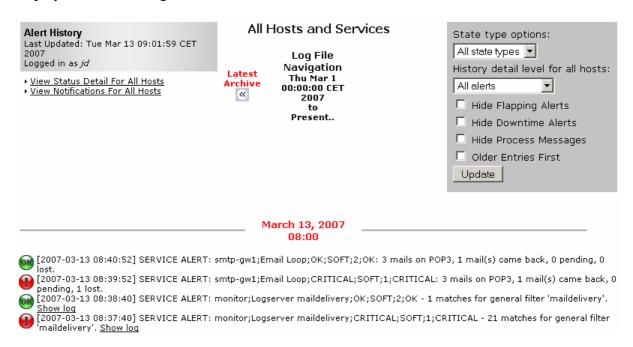
There are also two summary values for each hostgroup report

Average: This is the average value for the group. It is calculated by adding the % Time for each host and then divide the total value with the amount of hosts in the group. This can also be done on servicegroup reports.

Group Average: This value is only calculated for UP and DOWN states. It displays the amount of time where all hosts in the group has been UP or DOWN at the same time.

Alert History

Alert history displays a raw log of state changes. This can be useful to debug problems in you IT infrastructure that normally would go undetected. An even more detailed log can be displayed on Event Log.



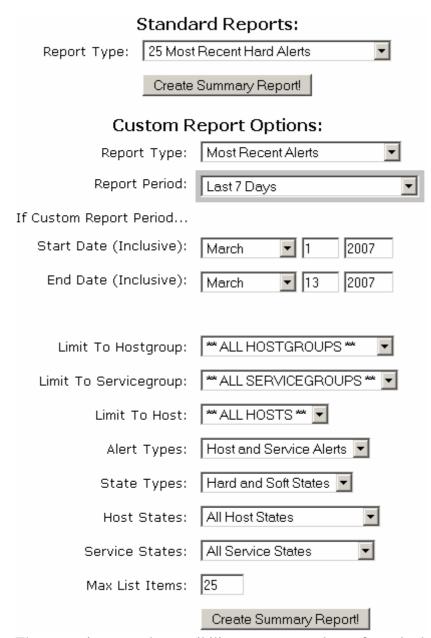
In the top right option box you can affect what should be displayed in the log.

The information in the log is divided in segments consisting in log entries with one hour of log data for each segment.

Alert Summary

The alert summary report gives you a subset of possibilities to create different reports based on the data op5 Monitor has collected.





The page gives you the possibility to create a subset of standard reports and it is also possible to create customized reports.

With the custom reports you can create a various amount of report types. I will not go through all available report types but walk through a couple of useful example reports.

Top 25 Hard Service Alert Producers

Select the Top 25 Hard Service Alert Producers from the Standard Reports drop down menu and click "Create Summary Report"

This will create a report that can be use to prioritize your work since it will show you the things causing most problems in your environment.



Alert Summary Report Last Updated: Tue Mar 13 10:21:14 CET 2007 Logged in as jd

Top Alert Producers

2007-03-06 10:21:14 to 2007-03-13 10:21:14 Duration: 7d 0h 0m 0s

Report Options Summary:

Alert Types: Service Alerts State Types: Hard States Host States: Up, Down, Unreachable Ok, Warning, Unknown, Critical Service States:

Generate New Report

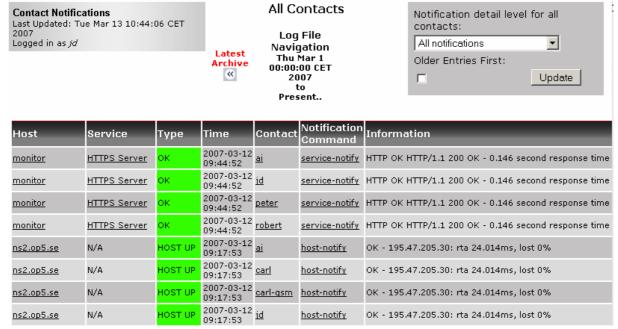
Displaying top 25 of 120 total matching alert producers

Rank	Producer Type	Host	Service	Total Alerts
#1	Service	gbq-switch2	PING	30
#2	Service	web1	PING	26
#3	Service	vmware3-dell	<u>PING</u>	24
#4	Service	smtp-qw1	Email Loop	24
#5	Service	<u>aba-switch1</u>	<u>PING</u>	20
#6	Service	<u>aba-print2</u>	<u>PING</u>	20
#7	Service	<u>aba-temp1</u>	<u>PING</u>	18
#8	Service	win2003-server1	<u>PING</u>	17
#9	Service	gbq-wlan1	<u>PING</u>	16
#10	Service	rc.op5.se	<u>PING</u>	12
#11	Service	<u>rt</u>	<u>PING</u>	11
#12	Service	<u>aba-fw1</u>	<u>PING</u>	11
#13	Service	ns2.op5.se	<u>PING</u>	10
#14	Service	www.google.se	<u>PING</u>	10
#15	Service	<u>build</u>	<u>PING</u>	10
#16	Service	ns2.op5.se	Disk usage /dev/hda2	8
#17	Service	<u>ns2.op5.se</u>	NTP	8
#18	Service	<u>devel</u>	<u>PING</u>	8
#19	Service	<u>aba-dsl</u>	<u>PING</u>	8
#20	Service	<u>ns2.op5.se</u>	named process	8
#21	Service	<u>ns2.op5.se</u>	System Processes	8
#22	Service	<u>ns2.op5.se</u>	<u>System Load</u>	8
#23	Service	<u>ns2.op5.se</u>	SSH Server	8
#24	Service	<u>ns2.op5.se</u>	<u>DNS</u>	8
#25	Service	vmware3-dell	<u>Disk usage /</u>	8



Notifications

This is a raw log of the notifications that op5 Monitor has sent. It can be used to verify that notifications has been sent out and also to see who should have got the notifications.



Host: The name of the host, you can click on the hostname to get more information about the host.

Service: The name of the service the notification is about, if it is a host notification this is displayed with N/A. You can click on the service name to get more information about the service.

Type: What kind of notification that was sent.

Time: Timestamp that shows when the notification was sent.

Contact: The contact that the notification was sent to, you can click on the contact name to se full contact details.

Notification Command: The command used to send the notification, se more on Check Commands.

Information: The status output that resulted in the notification. This is not necessary the information sent in the notification it just indicates the reason for the notification.

Event Log

The event log is a raw log of events in the system. This can be interesting if you want to do troubleshooting on the op5 Monitor system or your IT infrastructure.

This log is also available for advanced users in text format directly on your op5 Monitor system in /opt/monitor/var/nagios.log

The log file is rotated once every month and moved to /opt/monitor/var/archive/. The rotation interval can be changed by advanced users by editing the variable 'log_rotation_method' in /opt/monitor/etc/nagios.cfg.



Warning: this log can be really large if you are at the end of the month just before rotation or if you monitor a large amount of hosts and services. The size of the log can even crash some browsers or make your system slow and unresponsive. A good alternative to the Event Log is the Alert History which contains a more filtered list of events.

Schedule Reports

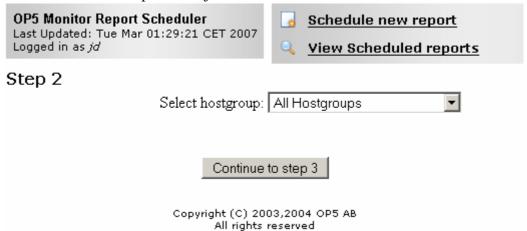
Schedule reports provides the exact same function as Availability reports with the addition that the report is sent out as an html email to one or several recipients. The reports can be sent out on a monthly or weekly basis.

To configure a scheduled report do following

Select the preferred report type, Hostgroup, Host, Servicegroup or Service.



Select the object for your report. Note that you can now select to create a report for all objects in the list or for one specific object.



Now you have the possibility to customize the report. The options are the exact same as when creating Availability reports except for the Report recipients textbox.



	
OP5 Monitor Report Scheduler Last Updated: Tue Mar 01:30:53 CET 2007 Logged in as <i>jd</i>	Schedule new report View Scheduled reports
Step 3	
Select report interval:	Weekly 🔻
Select time period:	24x7
Report recipients:	
	Note: Recipients should be a comma-separated list of email-addresses.
Advanced opt	ions:
Assume initial state:	Yes 🔻
Assume State Retention:	Yes 🔻
Assume States During Program Downtime:	Yes 🔻
Include Soft States:	Yes 🔻
First Assumed Host State:	Current State
First Assumed Service State:	Current State
Backtracked Archives (To Scan For Initial States):	1
Save scheduled	report
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Enter the email address of the report recipient in the report recipient textbox. As stated in the note below it is possible to specify more than one address, to do that separate the email addresses with a comma sign.

Configuration

View Config

The View Configuration menu option enables you to view your entire configuration. This can be useful if you for example quickly want a list of all hosts with alias and ip address. This tool is referred to from many places in op5 Monitors web gui, for example when reviewing the Notifications log.

The configuration is divided in different objects. To view a list of a specific object type select that type from the Object Type drop down list.





The configuration will be more deeply covered on the Configure headline.

Change Password

User options are normally configured from the Configure tool, this option gives a user the option to change has own password without help from an administrator.

Password change.

(Note that changing the password will log you out.)





Backup / Restore

Backup and Restore is an easy way to create a backup of op5 Monitor's configuration and log files. With help of this function you can easily restore an old configuration if the current one is messed up.

OP5 Monitor Backup

Last Updated: Tue 13 Mar 13:55:08 CET 2007 Logged in as jd

Running preflight check on current configuration.

Preflight check ok, all is well.

Do you wish to:

- Back up your perfectly good configuration (recommended)
- · Restore an older configuration
- See the results of the preflight check
- · View a list of all backups made

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Create a backup

To create a backup simply click on the "Back up your perfectly good configuration" link. After a short time, depending on the size of your configuration and log files, a backup is created and the possibility to download it or examine its contents is shown.

OP5 Monitor Backup

Last Updated: Tue 13 Mar 13:56:41 CET 2007 Logged in as *id*

Creating tarball from the Monitor home directory.

This will take a few seconds. Please be patient.

Backup file monitor_backup.070313.13.56.tar.qz successfully created.

Click it and choose 'save as' to keep a copy wherever you like.

If you want to see what files are included in this backup, click here.

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The backup is saved in tar.gz format which can be handled on most Linux systems.

Restore a backup

To restore a backup simply click on the "restore an older configuration" link and select one of the available backups.

OP5 Monitor Backup

Last Updated: Tue 13 Mar 14:01:01 CET 2007 Logged in as *jd*

Click any of the files to restore a previous configuration.

The numbers in the filename represents yymmdd.hh.mm, to help you keep track of the backups made.

- monitor_backup.070313.13.56.tar.qz
- monitor_backup.070306.13.36.tar.qz
- monitor_backup.070118.11.22.tar.qz
- monitor_backup.070117.16.37.tar.qz
- monitor_backup.070117.14.25.tar.qz
- monitor_backup.061208.14.16.tar.qz
- monitor backup.061115.12.09.tar.gz
- monitor_backup.061012.12.04.tar.qz
- monitor_backup.061005.14.37.tar.qz
- monitor_backup.061005.11.23.tar.qz

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When restoring an old backup, not only the configuration is restored but also the log files, so be careful with restoring really old backups since you can loose a lot of history.

Note: it is still recommended to take a proper system backup using the included op5backup.sh script or a backup agent from your existing backup software provider. See the op5 System manual for information about backup options.

Configure

There is two ways to configure op5 Monitor. One is to edit text files which are located on the op5 Monitor server in the /opt/monitor/etc directory. The other is to use Configure which is a web based configuration GUI for op5 Monitor.

When you click on the Configure link in the navigation menu a copy of the configuration in the text files is imported to a database. You can force an import at any time by clicking on "Undo Changes". The configuration can now be edited using the configure web gui. To save the configuration, click on "Save Configuration". This will result in an export of the new configuration to the text files and op5 Monitor reloads to read the new configuration.



op5 Monitor Configuration 🕜 Confiquration Help Configure Last Updated: Tue Mar 02:08:16 CET 2007 🔦 Undo Changes Save Configuration Logged in as jd New hosts build Host: Go Templates **Host Groups** Service Groups Contacts Contact Groups Check Commands Time Periods **Access Rights** Export hosts to statistics Note: You must click 'save configuration' for changes to take effect. Copyright(C) 2003-2006 op5 AB All rights reserved

The main menu consists of four menu selections:

- Configure: returns to the configure start page listed above
- Save Configuration: Verifies the configuration made, saves the configuration and reloads the monitor process with the new configuration
- Undo Changes: If you haven't clicked 'Save Configuration' the 'Undo Changes' link takes you back to the configuration you had before doing changes
- Configuration Help: Help window

Configuration basics

The configuration is based on objects. There are several types of objects, each one defining different things in the monitoring process. Each object consists of a object name and a couple of variables that needs to be configured. For example on a host object you configure hostname, address and so on.

In the configure tool you can add new objects and modify existing objects. A lot of objects can be cross referenced in the configuration and the configure tool helps you with this to.

New Hosts

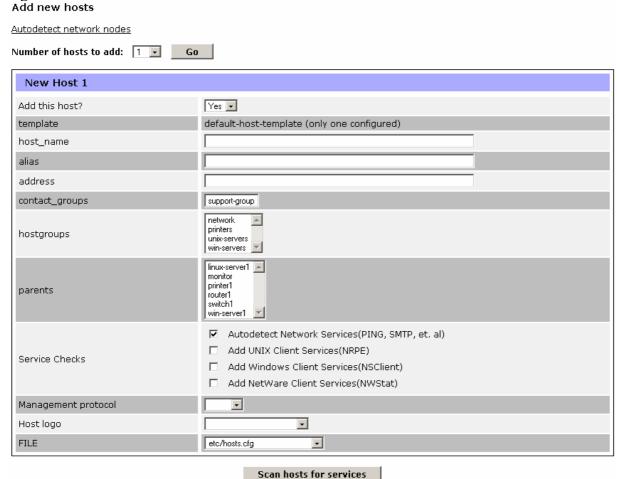
To add a host, click the 'New hosts' link. A new window appears that allows you to enter the data needed to add the host.

To add several hosts at a time you have two options.

- 1. Autodetect network nodes. This function scans one or several ip ranges to detect which IP addresses that responds to ping.
- 2. You can also change the number of hosts to add in the drop down menu in the top of the page.



To complete a new host a couple of variables need to be configured. Some of the variables are optional, the required variables are: host name, alias, address, contact_groups and hostgroups. If you fail to add information in these fields the configuration of the new host will fail. You can get a detailed description of all fields by clicking on "Configuration Help" in the upper right corner.



Here is an explanation of each variable.

Add this host?: If you are adding several hosts at a time, for example by using the autodetect network nodes function described earlier, you can select which hosts to add.

template: Specifies the template to use for this host. Many values are similar for each host, therefore the use of templates. Templates can be configured from the start page

host_name: The name of the host that you want to add, usually a short but descriptive name. Example: router1

alias: Full description of the host, since the host_name is supposed to be short you can use this field to enter a more descriptive text. Example: Router for main office.

address: The IP address or host name of the host.

contact_groups: The contact group(s) this hosts notifications will be sent to, one or more groups can be selected.

hostgroups: The host group(s) that the host will be a member of. The host can be a member of several hostgroups.

parents: The parent(s) that this host is physically connected to. Example: serverA is connected to switch1 and therefore has switch1 as parent. It is possible to have several parents for redundant connections. Note: There is a limitation in the parent directive, you cannot have circular parent relationships.



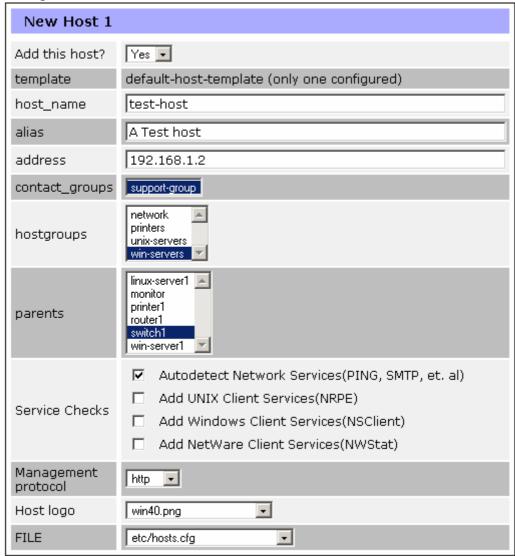
Service Checks: Add items that Monitor will scan for in the host. By default auto detect network services are checked. This option scans the host for common used ports and also looks for the presence of a client. You can also force checks associated with a specific client to be included. This can be useful if you haven't installed the agent software yet.

Management Protocol: Choose the management protocol used to configure the host. E.g. telnet for routers and HTTP for switches. This will result in a URL, with the specified management protocol, next to the host in Host Detail. Example: telnet://router1/

Host Logo: Associate a logo to the host. This logo will appear in the status map and network map. When selecting a logo you will get a popup window with a preview.

FILE: The configuration file that this data will be stored in, default is hosts.cfg. Don't change this if you're not really sure what it does.

Example of entered data



When you are done entering data, click on the 'Scan hosts for services' button to continue.

A port scan is now performed on the new hosts to detect common services like ftp and http on the host, the scan also searches for any installed agent.

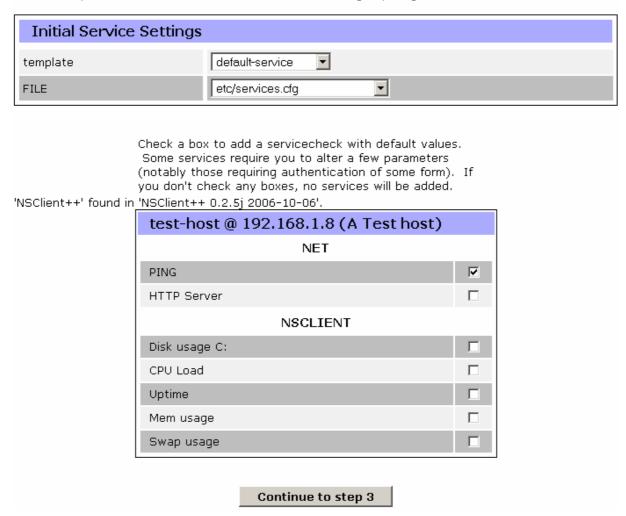


Network Probe: Service Scan

Note: All new services will inherit the Initial Service Settings.

If you choose not to enter a value for one or more required variable, those variables must be set in the selected template.

Checkbox options must be selected, because NOT selecting anything is also considered a value.



This page is displayed in two segments, first "Initial Service Settings" and below the results of the scan.

Initial Service Settings lets you change "non standard" settings for all services that you are about to add, i.e. settings that differ from the configured service templates (read more about this on Templates). The list is dynamically created depending on if you have used non standard settings before. Normally you do not need to change anything here.

The result of the scan is also displayed as two parts. First part is net related services such as PING, HTTP, FTP and so on. Second part is only displayed if an agent is installed, if that is the case a couple of default checks, such as Disk Usage, CPU Load and so on, appear.

More information about agents is available at the op5 support website.

Check the services you want to add and click 'Continue to step 3'.







Done adding new hosts

Added 1 hosts.
Added 1 hostextinfo objects.
Added 6 services.

test-host Services for test-host

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That's it. You have now added a new host. You have the options to go back and do configurations on the new host or its services. If you feel you're done click save configuration. The "Pre-flight configuration check" is made, Monitor reloads the configuration and the new host is up and running. If you encounter problems with the 'Save Configuration' you probably didn't fill out the fields correctly or missed to enter data in the fields.

There is two ways to fix the configuration if the "Pre-flight configuration check" fails. The first is to try to fix any mistakes that you have done in the configuration gui, pay attention to any errors or warnings displayed during the "Pre-flight configuration check". The second one is to simply restore an old backup using the Backup/Restore tool.

Hosts

To change the configuration of an existing host select the host in the dropdown menu and click go.

New hosts Host: linux-server1 Go linux-server1 **Templates** monitor **Host Groups** printer1 Service Groups router1 switch1 Contacts test-host **Contact Groups** win-server1 Check Commands Time Periods

Export hosts to statistics

Access Rights

You now have the option to configure a couple of host related variables and objects.



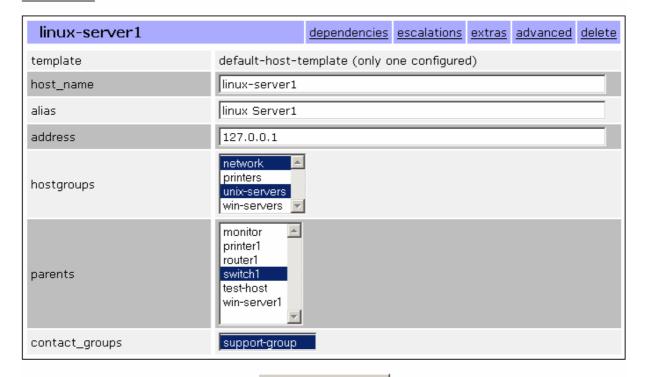
Host configuration

Host: | linux-server1 ▼ Go

Scan host linux-server1 for generic network based services
Scan host linux-server1 for SNMP interfaces

Related items:

Services for host linux-server1
Host Templates
Check Commands
Contact Groups
Time Periods



Apply Changes

The page has 4 different functions.

At the top of the page you have a drop down menu where you quickly can switch to another hosts configuration. Below that you have two scan tools to help you with your configuration.

- Scan host for generic network based services which simply does the same scan that you do when adding new hosts.
- Scan host for SNMP interfaces which can help you adding monitoring of interfaces for a RFC1213 (MIB-II) compliant SNMP device.

Related items gives you shortcuts to, well related items. Basically, lets say that you are about to make some configuration changes to your host and discovers that you are missing the new contact_group that you needed you can simply click on the "Contact Groups" link in the related items section. It's supposed to speed up the configuration process by saving you an extra click.

Note: to configure services for a host, click on the "services for host" link in the related items section. Read more about how to configure services on the Services for host headline.

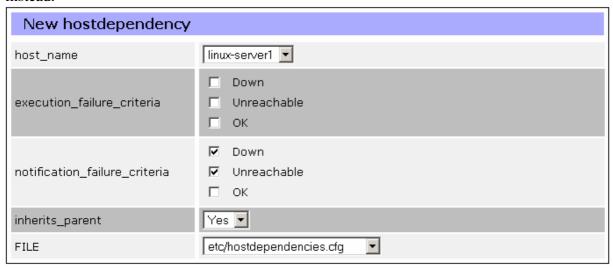


The last part of the host configuration page is the host object box itself. Next to the name of the host in the host object box there are five links: dependencies, escalations, extras, advanced and delete.

Dependencies

Host dependencies are an advanced feature of op5 Monitor that allows you to suppress notifications and even check execution for hosts, based on the status of one or more other hosts. Host dependencies are optional and are mainly targeted at advanced users.

An easy way to get almost the same functionality would be to use the parents directive instead.



host_name: This defines the host that we are depending on, the parent host.

execution_failure_criteria: If the parent host defined in 'host_name' is in one of the selected states this host's status will not be checked.

notification_failure_criteria: If the parent host defined in 'host_name' is in one of the selected states notifications will not be sent out for this host.

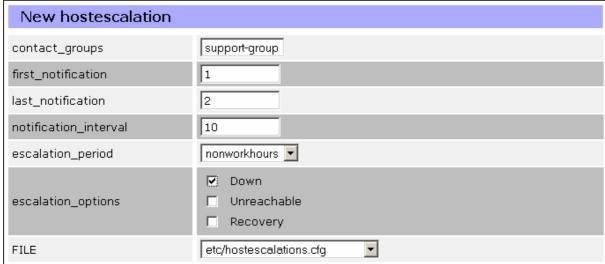
inherits_parent: This indicates if this host shall inherit any existing dependencies on the parent host defined by 'host_name'.

FILE: defines where to store the hostdependency object, do not change this if you are not absolutely sure what it does.

Escalations

Escalations let you configure escalation of notifications for this host. The idea is that if you have a really important host you can send the first notification to the default contact group in order for them to solve the problem. If the problem is not solved in lets say 30 minutes you can send the notification to a broader range of contacts.





contact_groups: which contact group(s) should receive the notification.

first_notification: which notification, of the total amount notifications sent, is the first to be sent out to this contact group(s)

last_notification: which notification, of the total amount notifications sent, is the last to be sent out to this contact group(s). If you specify 0 only one notification is sent out.

notification_interval: If the interval between first_notification and last_notification is more than one notification this specifies the interval in minutes between notifications.

escalation_period: during which time period is this escalation valid.

escalation_options: which notifications that should be sent out.

Note: To make escalations work you need to set 'notification_interval' to something else than 0 in the configuration for the host.

Extras

Extras let you configure cosmetic things as which logo you want to associate with the host.

HostExtInfo for win-se	rver1	<u>delete</u>
icon_image	win40.png ▼	
icon_image_alt	Windows Server 1	
statusmap_image	win40.png	
notes	This is a little demo windows host with no important things at	all
action_url	rdp://\$HOSTADDRESS\$\$	
notes_url	/dokuwiki/doku.php/hosts/\$HOSTNAME\$	
2d_coords		

icon_image: The graphic file used to represent the host in the status or network map.

icon_image_alt: The alias for the host, shown in the status map

statusmap_image: The image used as a background in the status map.

notes: notes for the server

action_url: The url used to manage the host. i.e. telnet, http, ssh

notes_url: The documentation URL for this host

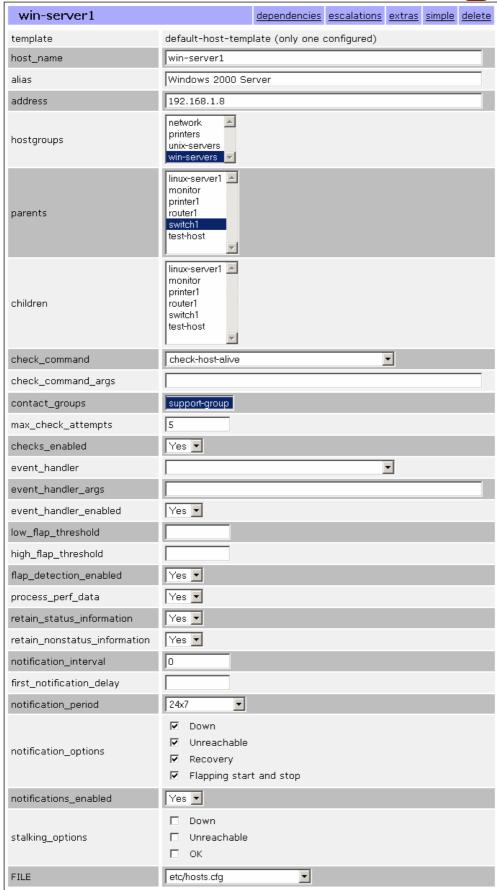
2d_coords: The coordinates where the icon should be placed in the status map when using user supplied coords.



Advanced

There are many variables that can be configured for a host. Most of them is being set by using templates and therefore not displayed in the host configuration box. If you want to change one of those options you can click on Advanced. This will expand the host configuration box to include all variables, even those configured in the selected host template.







template: Specifies the template to use for this host. Many values are similar for each host, therefore the use of templates. Templates can be configured from the start page

host_name: The name of the host that you want to add, usually a short but descriptive name. Example: router1

alias: Full description of the host, since the host_name is supposed to be short you can use this field to enter a more descriptive text. Example: Router for main office.

address: The IP address or host name of the host

hostgroups: The host group(s) that the host will be a member of. The host can be a member of several hostgroups.

parents: The parent(s) that this host will is physically connected to. Example: serverA is connected to switch1 and therefore has switch1 as parent. It is possible to have several parents for redundant connections. Note: There is a limitation in the parent directive, you cannot have circular parent relationships.

children: The hosts that are connected to this host (using this host as a parent). This variable makes it easier to configure parenting. Instead of configuring the parent variable of each host connected to a switch you can use the children variable from the switch and select the child hosts.

check_command: the check command that should be run to determine status of the host. Read more about check_commands on the Check Commands headline.

check_command_args: any arguments required for the check command to work

contact_groups: The contact group(s) this hosts notifications are sent to.

max_check_attempts: The number of checks required for the host to enter HARD state and send out notifications.

checks_enabled: if checks are enabled or not, normally yes.

event_handler: Event handler is a check_command that is run every time a host changes state.

event_handler_args: any arguments needed for the event handler command. **event handler enabled:** specifies if event handlers should be used or not.

low_flap_threshold: se below note about flap detection

high_flap_threshold: se below note about flap detection

flap_detection_enabled: if flap detection is enabled or not. Normally flap detection is enabled on global basis and not per host.

process_perf_data: Most of the plugins outputs data in two ways. The normal output which you can see in your notifications and web gui, but also performance output. Performance output is a more "machine friendly" output that can be parsed by a script or a piece of software. Currently performance data is used to create graphs of the check result for some standard checks.

retain_status_information: Retain status information between restarts of op5 Monitor **retain_nonstatus_information:** Retain other information between restarts of op5 Monitor **notification_interval:** The interval in minutes when the host is down or unreachable. If this is set to 0 (default) only one notification is sent out.

first_notification_delay: The amount of minutes to delay the host notification. This can be useful if you want to be able to reboot a server without notifying anyone.

notification_period: During which period notifications for this host should be sent out.

notification options: Which notifications that should be sent out for this host.

notifications_enabled: If notifications are enabled or not, default is Yes.

stalking_options: Stalking is used mainly for troubleshooting. If you enable stalking, op5 Monitor will log everything related to the host. Note that this will probably cause the log file to grow and therefore slow down all reports. Use this with care.

FILE: Which file this host object should be saved in.



Note: Flap detection is a useful mechanism to detect reoccurring problems with a host or service. The logic works like this.

The result of the 21 last checks is saved in the memory. High_flap_threshold defines a value in percent of how much the host or service has changed its state. If the high_flap_threshold value is exceeded the host/service enters flapping state. To exit flapping state the percentage must go down to the low_flap_threshold value.

Services for host

If you click on the "Services for host" link in the Host configuration window you will be directed to the Service configuration window where you can configure services.

The service objects defines what should be checked on your host. Service configuration

Services for host: win-server1	Go	
Scan host win-server1 for gener Scan host win-server1 for SNMF		
Related items: Host configuration: win-server1 Service Templates Check Commands Contact Groups Time Periods Service Groups		
CPU Load	CPU usage	DHCP Server
Disk usage C:	<u>Disk usage E:</u>	<u>FTP</u>
IIS Admin Service	Memory usage	PING
POP3 Server	Swap usage	transfer bytes
<u>Uptime</u>	New service	
CPU Load		lations extras advanced delete
template	default-service 🔻	
service_description	CPU Load	
check_command	check_nt_cpuload	V
check_command_args	60,70,90	
contact_groups	support-group	

The page is modeled almost the same way as the host configuration page with the exception that several service objects is shown in the same page.

The drop down lets you select another host for which services you want to change, this makes it easier if you need to configure services on several hosts.



You have the option to scan the host for new services, and also to scan for available Interfaces using SNMP.

To edit a existing service simply edit the fields for that service and press the <Enter> key or scroll down to the bottom of the page and press Apply Changes.

At the bottom of the page there is always an empty service called "New service", this is for adding new services.

In the header of each service objects you have the following options:

Dependencies

Service dependencies are an advanced feature of op5 Monitor that allows you to suppress notifications and even check execution for services, based on the status of one or more other services. Service dependencies are optional and are mainly targeted at advanced users.

New servicedependency		
service	win-server1;CPU Load	
execution_failure_criteria	✓ Critical✓ Warning☐ Unknown☐ OK	
notification_failure_criteria	✓ Critical✓ Warning☐ Unknown☐ OK	
inherits_parent	Yes 🔻	
FILE	etc/servicedependencies.cfg	

service: This defines the service that we are depending on.

execution_failure_criteria: If the dependent service defined in 'service' is in one of the selected states this services status will not be checked.

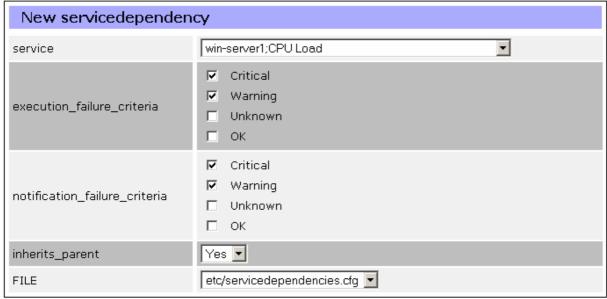
notification_failure_criteria: If the dependent service defined in 'service' is in one of the selected states notifications will not be sent out for this service.

inherits_parent: This directive indicates whether or not the dependency inherits dependencies of the service that is being depended upon (also referred to as the master service). In other words, if the master service is dependent upon other services and any one of those dependencies fail, this dependency will also fail.

Escalations

Service escalations can be used to escalate notifications for certain services. The idea is that if you have a really important service you can send the first notification to the normal contact group in order for them to solve the problem. If the problem is not solved in lets say 30 minutes you can send the notification to a broader range of contacts.





contact_groups: which contact group(s) should receive the notification.

first_notification: which notification, of the total amount notifications sent, is the first to be sent out to this contact group(s)

last_notification: which notification, of the total amount notifications sent, is the last to be sent out to this contact group(s). If you specify 0 only one notification is sent out.

notification_interval: If the interval between first_notification and last_notification is more than one notification this specifies the interval in minutes between notifications.

escalation_period: during which time period is this escalation valid.

escalation_options: which notifications that should be sent out.

Note: To make escalations work you need to set 'notification_interval' to something else than 0 in the configuration for the service.

Extras

Extras let you configure cosmetic things as which logo you want to associate with the service.

Service 'CPU Load' on	host 'win-server1'	<u>delete</u>
notes	CPU load is measured for 60 minutes, warning is 70% critical 9	90%
notes_url	/dokuwiki/hosts/\$HOSTNAME\$/\$SERVICENAME\$	
action_url		
icon_image	•	
icon_image_alt		

notes: notes for the service.

notes_url: The documentation URL for this service.

action_url: The url used to manage the service.

icon image: The graphic file used to represent the service in the Service Detail view.

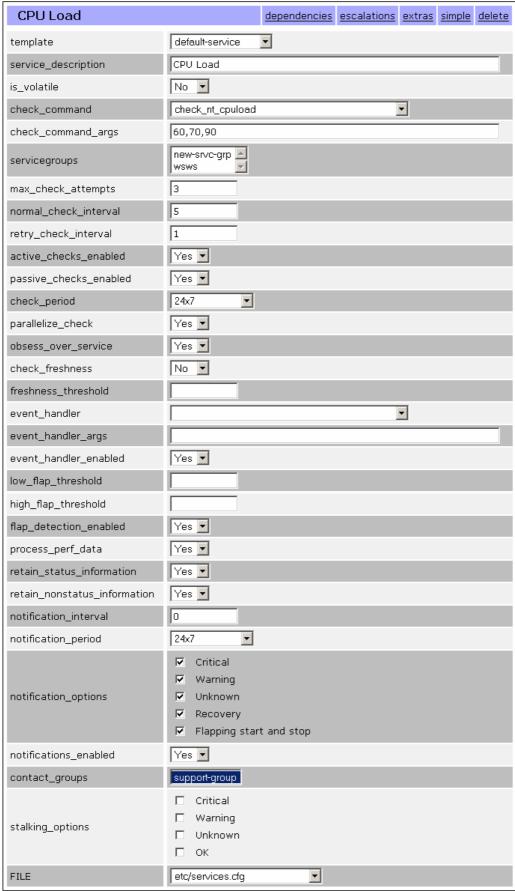
icon_image_alt: The alias for the service.



Advanced

There are many variables that can be configured for a service. Most of them is being set by using templates and therefore not displayed in the service configuration boxes. If you want to change those options you can click on Advanced. This will expand the service configuration box to include all variables, even those configured in the selected service template.







template: Which template to use for this service. **service description:** The description of the Service.

is volatile: A volatile service is a service that notifies contacts every time the check is run if the check is in a hard non OK state. This can be useful when utilizing passive service checks when the check result is received from an external source.

check command: Which check command that shall be run to determine status of the service.

check_command_args: any arguments required for the check command to work.

servicegroups: defines membership in any service group.

max_check_attempts: The amount of checks required for the service to enter HARD state and send notifications.

normal_check_interval: The interval, in minutes, between checks of the service.

retry check interval: The interval, in minutes, between checks if the previous check failed.

active checks enabled: Active checks enabled, default is Yes.

passive_checks_enabled: Passive checks enabled, default is Yes.

check period: During which time period this service should be checked.

parallelize check: Allow this check to be run in parallel with other checks. Default is Yes. Changing this can drastically influence performance.

obsess_over_service: This command can be used to tell op5 Monitor to run a script after each service check. It can be used for certain redundant configurations. Don't use this if you're not sure about what it does.

check_freshness: op5 Monitor supports a feature that does "freshness" checking on the results of host and service checks. This feature is useful when you want to ensure that passive checks are being received as frequently as you want.

freshness_threshold: This directive is used to specify the freshness threshold (in seconds) for this service. If you set this directive to a value of 0, op5 Monitor will determine a freshness threshold to use automatically.

event_handler: Command that should be run in case of a state change.

event handler args: Arguments needed for the event handler command.

event_handler_enabled: Enable or disable Event handlers. Default value is Yes.

low_flap_threshold: se below note about flap detection

high flap threshold: se below note about flap detection

flap_detection_enabled: if flap detection is enabled or not. Normally flap detection is enabled on global basis and not per service.

process_perf_data: Most of the plugins outputs data in two ways. The normal output which you can see in your notifications and web gui, but also performance output. Performance output is a more "machine friendly" output that can be parsed by a script or a piece of software. Currently performance data is used to create graphs of the check result for some standard checks.

retain status information: Retain status information between restarts of op5 Monitor. This is a good thing to enable, otherwise the status will be lost when you save your new configuration.

retain_nonstatus_information: Retain other information between restarts of op5 Monitor. This is also a good thing to enable to not loose status data when saving new configurations. **notification_interval:** The interval in minutes between notifications, when the service is Critical, Warning, or Unknown. If this is set to 0 (default) only one notification is sent out. **notification_period:** During which period notifications for this service should be sent out.

notification_options: Which notifications that should be sent out for this service.

notifications enabled: If notifications are enabled or not, default is Yes **contact_groups:** The contact group(s) this service notifications is sent to.



stalking_options: Stalking is used mainly for troubleshooting. If you enable stalking, op5 Monitor will log everything related to the host. Note that this will probably cause the log file to grow and therefore slow down all reports. Use this with care.

FILE: Which file this host object should be saved in.

Note: Flap detection is a useful mechanism to detect reoccurring problems with a host or service. The logic works like this.

The result of the 21 last checks is saved in the memory. High_flap_threshold defines a value in percent of how much the host or service has changed its state. If the high_flap_threshold value is exceeded the host/service enters flapping state. To exit flapping state the percentage must go down to the low_flap_threshold value.

Templates

There are three kinds of templates available.

- Host Templates for hosts objects.
- Service Templates for service objects.
- Contact Templates for contact objects.

Above mentioned objects needs to have several variables configured, most of those variables are the same for each object. To avoid unnecessary work you can simply define your most common settings in templates and then use those templates when configuring the objects.

Three different templates are shipped with the default configuration for op5 Monitor, default-service, critical-service and noncritical-service. The variables that differs between those templates are, 'normal_check_interval', 'retry_check_interval' and 'max_check_attempts'. Services that use the critical-service are monitored more often and notifies quicker than services that uses the noncritical-service.

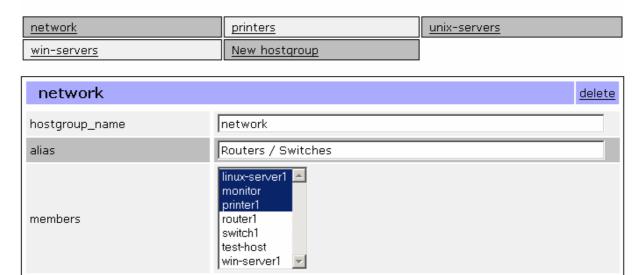
Host Groups

A hostgroup definition is used to group one or more hosts together for display and / or reporting purposes.

To add, change or delete a host group choose the host group link from the start page.



Hostgroup configuration



All host groups are listed after each other, represented with a shortcut in top of the window. In bottom of the list you have the possibility to add a new host group. On the right hand side of the host group configuration window you can click delete to delete a single host group.

hostgroup_name: Name of Host group.

alias: Description of Host group.

members: Hosts that are members of this host group, to select several hosts press and hold

the <Ctrl> key.

Click 'Apply changes' in the bottom of the window. Click 'Save Configuration' for the changes to take effect.

Note: Membership in hostgroups can also be configured when adding new hosts or from the Hosts configuration page.

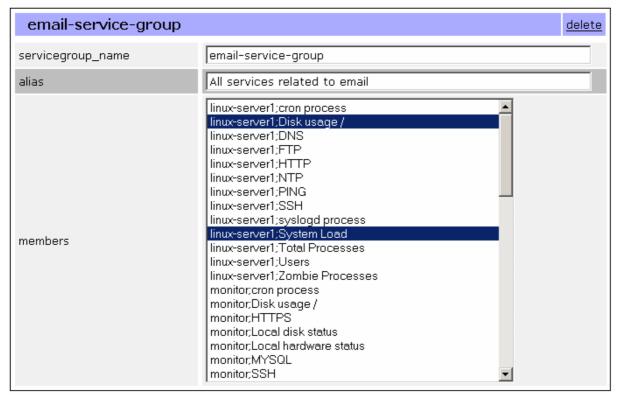
Service Groups

A servicegroup definition is used to group one or more hosts together for display and / or reporting purposes.

To add, change or delete a servicegroup choose the host group link from the start page.



Servicegroup configuration



All service groups are listed after each other represented with a shortcut in top of the window. In bottom of the list you have the possibility to add a new service group. On the right hand side of the service group configuration window you can click delete to delete chosen service group.

servicegroup_name: Name of the service group

alias: Description of service group

members: Services that are members of this service group

Click 'Apply changes' in the bottom of the window. Click 'Save Configuration' for the changes to take effect.

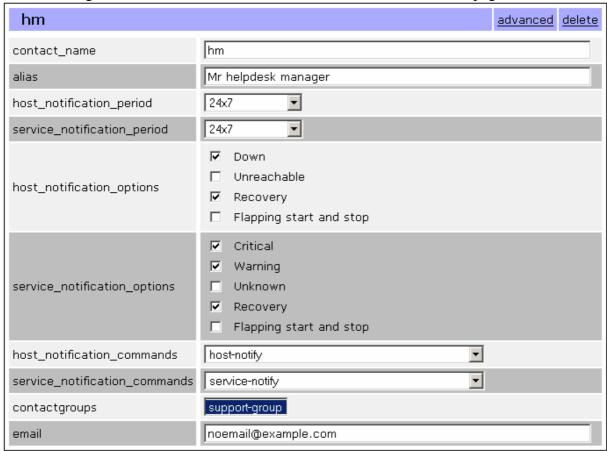
Servicegroups can be specifically useful to visualize business processes. In the image above a servicegroup named 'email-service-group' is configured. If you put all service checks that are related to email in that group, i.e. DNS, internet connections, POP3, SMTP and so on, you will get a good view of how your email service is working in total.

This information can be used for real-time troubleshooting but also for reports.



Contacts

To add, change or delete a contact choose the contacts link from the start page.

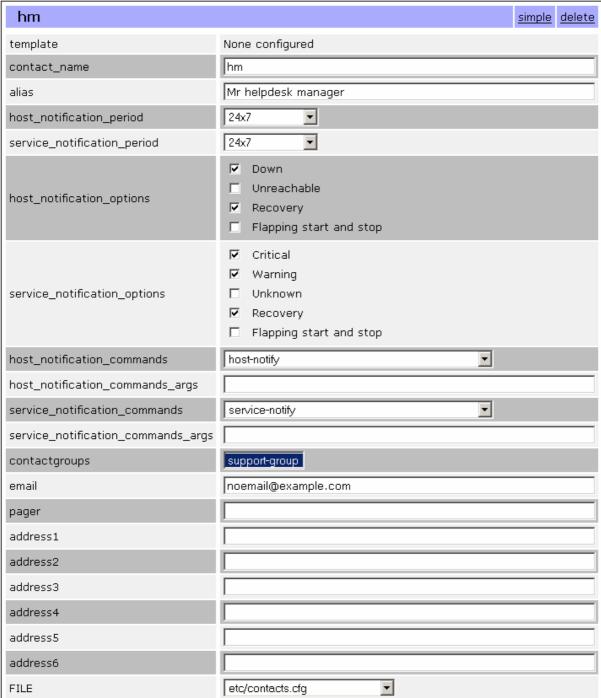


Read more about the variables you can configure for contacts below.

Advanced

Contacts are one of the three objects that can use templates. To expand the contact click on Advanced.





template: Which template to use for this contact.

contact_name: Short name of the contact, it is recommended to use the login name that you normally use.

alias: Full name of the contact, i.e. Mr. Dummy User.

host_notification_period: Time period for which this contact shall receive host notifications. **service_notification_period:** Time period for which this contact shall receive service notifications.

host_notification_options: Which host notifications that this contact shall receive.service_notification_options: Which service notifications that this contact shall receive.host_notification_commands: Command that is executed to send out host notifications. Op5Monitor comes with a default host notification command, host-notify. This command can



send notifications using email and sms. You can also add your own notification commands if you like.

host_notification_commands_args: Arguments that might be needed for the host_notification_command.

service_notification_commands: Command that is executed to send out service notifications. Op5 Monitor comes with a default service_notification_command, service-notify. This command can send notifications using email and sms. You can also add your own notification commands if you like.

service_notification_commands_args: Arguments that might be needed for the service notification command.

contactgroups: The contact group(s) this contact is a member of.

email: This contacts email address, for receiving email notifications.

pager: This contacts cell phone number, for receiving SMS notifications. Note: The number must include country code. Example for a Swedish number, 46701123456.

address1 - 6: These variables are reserved for other kind of notification options. If you create your own notification script you can use these variables to specify notification data.

Tip 1: If you want to notify an individual with both email and SMS we recommend to define two separate contacts with different host and service notification options since you normally want to define different settings for email and SMS.

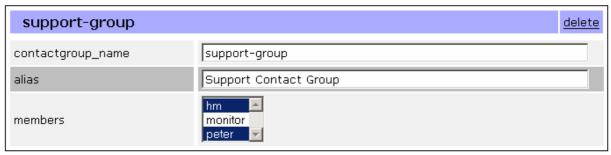
Contact Groups

A contact group definition is used to group one or more contacts together for the purpose of sending out notifications. When a host or service has a problem or recovers, op5 Monitor will find the appropriate contact groups to send notifications to, and notify all contacts in those contact groups.

Contactgroup configuration

Related items:

<u>Contacts</u>



contactgroup_name: Name of the contactgroup.

alias: Description of the contact group.

members: Hosts that are members of this host group, to select several hosts press and hold the <Ctrl> key.

When done configuring click 'Apply changes'. For the changes to take effect choose the 'Save Configuration' from the start page.



Check Commands

A checkcommand is an object that defines a command. Checkcommands are a very vital part of op5 Monitor. Commands are used to do the actual monitoring, send notifications, external scripts such as eventhandler scripts and so on.

The command consists of following parts.



command_name: A descriptive name of the command. **command line:** the actual command that should be executed.

The command line first defines the search path to the script or program that should be run. The scripts / programs are called plugins. Read more about plugins in the op5 plugins manual, available on op5 support web.

Then any necessary variables are defined. Depending on what input the plugin might need, different variables can be specified. The check_icmp plugin above demands the variable '-H <ipaddress>' where <ipaddress> should be the IP Address of the host that should be checked. To make checkcommand definitions more flexible there are a subset of macros that can be used

In this case we use the \$HOSTADDRESS\$ macro which will automatically be translated to the IP Address of the host that the checkcommand is run for.

A full list of available macros is available from the Nagios manual at http://nagios.sourceforge.net/docs/2_0/macros.html

Time Periods

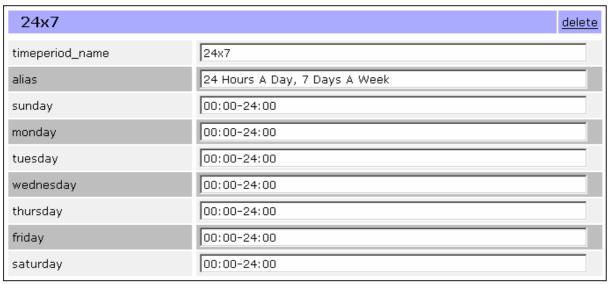
Time periods is time defining objects that span over a week. You can define "included" time for each day of the week in the time period definition.

The timeperiod objects are used at many places in the configuration. Most noticeably are in the contact objects where the timeperiods defines when notifications should be sent out. You can also use timeperiods to define when a service or a host should be monitored or when you are creating availability reports.



Timeperiod configuration





timeperiod_name: short name of the time period

alias: descriptive name of the time period

Monday to Sunday: which time to include for each day. you can define multiple times by separating them with comma. Example 00:00-01:00,03:00-06:00

Access Rights

Users of op5 Monitor web gui needs to provide a username and password to gain access. There are seven different variables that control what level of access a user has.



Password: Password for the user, hidden by default.

Verify password: type the password a second time to verify

authorized_for_system_information: Gives the user access to the system / process

information, most of the views in op5 Monitor can not be accessed.



authorized_for_configuration_information: Gives the user access to view and change configuration.

authorized_for_system_commands: Gives the user access to issuing commands in the web gui. With commands you can control certain functions in op5 Monitor, for example: enable/disable notifications, scheduled downtime, acknowledge problems and so on. authorized_for_all_services: Gives the user access to view all services, se Customizing views below for more information.

authorized_for_all_hosts: Gives the user access to view all hosts, se Customizing views below for more information.

authorized_for_all_service_commands: Gives the user access to issue commands for all services, se Customizing views below for more information.

authorized_for_all_host_commands: Gives the user access to issue commands for all hosts, se Customizing views below for more information.

Recommended settings for an administrator would be to check all boxes. For helpdesk staff it could be 'authorized_for_system_information' and 'authorized_for_system_commands', that way they can acknowledge problems but not change the configuration.

Export hosts to statistics

This function allows you to export hosts from op5 Monitor to op5 Statistics in order to save time when configuring op5 Statistics.

For now this is fairly simple export functionality and does not do any checks to detect if the host already has been exported so be careful.

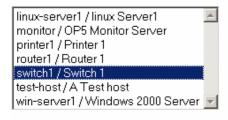
Export to Statistics, step 1

Note that this function will only export the basic host-information to the OPS Statistics configuration database, such as hostname and address.

You will need to add graph-items and such from the statistics configuration interface

SNMP Community:	public	
Host template to use for exported hosts:	Generic SNMP-enabled H	lost 🔻
OP5 Monitor host identifier to use for Statistics 'Host Description' field:	host_name 🔻	

Hosts to export



Export hosts

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Select which host(s) you want to export, change the SNMP Community if needed and select which Host template to use in statistics. You can also specify which host identifier in op5 Monitor that shall be used as Host Description in statistics.



Click Export hosts and you are done.

Customizing views

It is possible to configure a user with limited access to the system not only by denying access to certain views using Access Rights but also by only letting the user see a selected choice of hosts and services.

In smaller companies or organizations this might not be needed but for larger enterprises it can be quite useful to be able to customize the objects op5 Monitor displays for each user or team of users. This function can also be useful if you are a hosting provider.

Customization of the gui can be done in three steps where the last step is optional and only for advanced users since it requires editing html or php files on the op5 Monitor system.

- 1. Configure a new contact.
- 2. Add the contact to an existing contactgroup or create a new contactgroup specific for the new contact. If you created a new contactgroup make sure to add the contact group for the hosts and services that you want to make available in the customized view.
- 3. Configure a user in access rights with the exact same name as the contact you created. When selecting options do not use the last fore options, authorized_for_all_. By doing this the new user will only see the hosts and services that uses the contactgroup that he is a member of.
- 4. Create a directory in /opt/monitor/share/ with the same name as the contact and user you just configured. Create your own index.html and side.html files, you can use the files available in /opt/monitor/share as start. Make sure to set the right permissions on the directory and the files so that the web server can read the files.

Remember the third step is optional and only for advanced users.

To test your new "limited" simply log on as the new user you just created.



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Appendix 1 - Icons

Icon	Description
X	Indicates that a host / service problem is acknowledged.
$\stackrel{\wedge}{\simeq}$	Link to action_url
4	Indicates a executed command in the Event Log
	Indicates that comments are available for a host / service
8	Indicates a critical log entry in the Event Log
8	Affect the time a check is executed
	Remove comments or downtime
	View extended information
×	Disable
-	Entries sorted decending
3	Host / Service is in scheduled downtime
\checkmark	Enable
	Link to notes_url, external source with host / service documentation
8	Host / service is flapping
	View alert history for this host
•	Indicates an information log entry in the Event Log
*	Back
*	Indicates logfile rotation in the Event Log
4	Notifications disabled
%	Remove problem acknowledgement
	Add new comment
4))	Notifications enabled
	Only passive checks are processed
6K	Status OK
8	Restart op5 Monitor
>>	Forward
63	An eventhandler has been executed for this service
	Monitor was started
3	Show status
	View status details for this host, ie all services
***	Locate on status map
9	Stop op5 Monitor
	Show Trend
?	Status Unknown
1	Status Warning
	Entries sorted ascending