

Tabulate and Print Routes Per Interface

In this exercise, you will read `IP` route information from a device. You will allow a user to enter `IP` address prefixes and will display route information if the route was learned via `OSPF`.

Step 1

Connect to device R1 in the lab environment and run the `show ip route` command.

```
routes_list = [] # Create the list of routes

#-----
# The following code connects to a device and dumps all
# routing information

print '--- connecting telnet 10.30.30.1 with cisco/cisco'

session = pexpect.spawn('telnet 10.30.30.1', timeout=20)
result = session.expect(['Username:', pexpect.TIMEOUT])

# Check for failure
if result != 0:
    print 'Timeout or unexpected reply from device'
    exit()

# Successfully got password prompt, logging in with username
session.sendline('cisco')
result = session.expect('Password:')

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session.sendline('cisco')
result = session.expect('>')

# Must set terminal length to zero for long replies
print '--- setting terminal length to 0'
session.sendline('terminal length 0')
result = session.expect('>')

# Execute the 'show ip route' command to get routing info
print '--- executing: show ip route'
session.sendline('show ip route')
result = session.expect('>')
```

```
# Get output from ip route command
print '--- getting ip route command output'
show_ip_route_output = session.before

print ''
print 'IP route output'
print '-----'
print show_ip_route_output
print '-----'
print ''
```

Step 2

Using the output of the above show ip route command, create a list of destination IP address prefixes. For each destination, you will create a list of potential next hops, including next hop IP address, interface, and any other information you choose.

Answer

Note: It may be more efficient to use a dictionary here in a real-world situation, but since this module focuses on looping a list was used to show iterating through the list of routes.

```
# Get routing information into list
routes_list = show_ip_route_output.splitlines()
```

Step 3

Allow the user to input a destination IP address prefix.

Answer

```
while True: # Loop forever, until user terminates program

    # Request user to input the IP destination route prefix we will search for
    try:
        ip_address = raw_input('Enter IP destination address to find (Ctrl-C to exit) ')
    except KeyboardInterrupt:
        break;
```

Step 4

Go through the list of destination IP prefixes, searching for a match learned via OSPF. Print the route information if there is a match. If there is no match, print "--- Given route prefix not found ---".

Answer

```
# Set the pattern for matching OSPF routes
route_pattern = re.compile('^0.{8}([0-9]{1,3}\.){3}[0-9]{1,3}\.([0-9]{1,3}\.){3}[0-9]{1,3}')

# Loop through our devices looking for a match on IP address
for route in routes_list:

    # Search for our route string, and continue to next iteration if not
    route_match = route_pattern.search(route)
    if not route_match: continue

    # Found our IP address, print out route information
    if route_match.group(1) == ip_address:
        route_info = route.split(',')
        print ' ---- Route:      ', route_info[0][5:].strip()
        print ' ---- Time:       ', route_info[1].strip()
        print ' ---- Interface: ', route_info[2].strip()
        print ''
        break

    else: # We get here if we exhausted the device list, IP not found
        print '--- Given route prefix not found ---'

print '\n'
print 'Route search terminated.\n'

session.sendline('quit')
session.kill(0)
```