IBM Security Network Active Bypass



User Guide

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- One Network Active Bypass unit
- Nine copper cables (green)
- One console cable (blue)
- Two desktop power modules
- Power cords
- One CD

About this publication

This guide is designed to help you connect to and configure your Network Active Bypass unit.

Scope

This guide includes basic information and the required procedures for connecting the Network Active Bypass unit to your network and for configuring basic settings.

Audience

This guide is intended for network system administrators responsible for installing and configuring the network and system appliances. A fundamental knowledge of network policies and IP network configuration is helpful.

Related publications

This guide explains how to set up and configure the Network Active Bypass unit for use with the IBM Security Network Intrusion Prevention System (IPS) appliances.

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Document	Contents
IBM Proventia GX5000 Series Getting Started Card	Instructions for connecting and configuring a GX5000 Series IPS appliance
IBM Proventia GX6000 Series Getting Started Card	Instructions for connecting and configuring a GX6000 Series IPS appliance
IBM Proventia Network Intrusion Prevention System G and GX Appliance User Guide	Overviews and procedures for creating and managing policies and responses, and maintaining appliance settings.

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- · Customer support telephone numbers for the country in which you are located
- Information you must gather before you call

Chapter 1. Introducing the Network Active Bypass unit

The Network Active Bypass unit is an external device that uses active bypass functions to ensure that network traffic continues to flow if the appliance fails or loses power. The Network Active Bypass unit provides seamless failover, extensive management capabilities, and four independent gigabit Ethernet interface segments with various media combinations. This chapter introduces the features and operating principles for the Network Active Bypass unit.

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Features

This topic describes the features of the Network Active Bypass unit.

List of features

- Active switching of traffic in case of system failure
- · Passive Bypass which is essential during power loss
- · Plug and play-no additional drivers required on inline devices
- TAP functions for passive traffic monitoring
- 10/100/1000 TX (Copper), SX (Multi-mode) and LX (Single-mode) support
- Flexible deployment options including Copper, Multi-Mode Fiber, Single-Mode Fiber, and Copper-to-Fiber conversion
- Redundant power supplies for maximum reliability
- Extensive CLI and WEB based management
- SSH and HTTPS for secure management
- E-mail notification on system events
- TACACS+ authentication
- Syslog support
- Full RoHS compliance

Extensive bypass configuration

- Bypass heartbeat custom configurations including:
 - Heartbeat pattern
 - Heartbeat frequency
- Bypass on link loss
- · Configuration of the number of link losses before activating bypass
- · Configuration of the number of heartbeats before disabling bypass

Secured Web management

The Network Active Bypass unit provides a secured Web management interface that includes the following items:

- Extensive CLI interface
- SSH connectivity over the management port
- SNMP traps on defined events
- · E-mail notification on defined events
- TACACS+ authentication
- Syslog support

You can use the management interface to manage and monitor the Network Active Bypass unit from any Web browser. The management port for the Network Active Bypass unit has an assigned IP address. You can retrieve or change the IP address by using command line parameters.

To access the management interface, open a Web browser and type https:// followed by the management port IP address. The default IP address for the management port is 192.168.0.111. The default management port Web address is https://192.168.0.111.

The management interface is documented in Chapter 3, "Configuring the Network Active Bypass unit in the management interface," on page 11.

Power fail protection

The Network Active Bypass unit uses two redundant power supplies for maximum reliability.

If the power fails, two optical switches remove the Network Active Bypass unit from the network and the Network Active Bypass unit functions as two straight cables.

About the unit

Familiarize yourself with the features of the Network Active Bypass unit before you add the unit to your network.

Front panel diagram

The following figure illustrates the front panel of the Network Active Bypass unit Your unit's front panel may vary depending on the model:



Note: Segments are arranged right-to-left, in the following order: Segment 4, Segment 3, Segment 2, Segment 1.

- 1. Network ports: 1G (SR, LR, or Copper) N1 and N2 ports connecting to an Ingress network and Egress network
- 2. Appliance ports: 1G (SR, LR, or Copper) A1 and A2 ports connecting to an IPS appliance
- **3**. LCD display

Note: LCD buttons are not active.

- 4. LED indicators (position of LED indicators varies depending on the model)
 - Link/Active LEDs for 1 G ports: lights indicate if a connection exists and the general amount of traffic
 - Existing connection
 - Green indicates a connection
 - Amber indicates a collision
 - No light indicates no connection
 - Amount of traffic
 - Rapid blinking indicates heavy traffic
 - Slow blinking indicates light traffic
 - No blinking indicates no traffic
- 5. Console port serial
- 6. Management port Ethernet
- 7. Tap port

Power adapter

You must use a UL listed power supply with a rated output of 12 VDC, 5 A, marked LPS or NEC Class 2.

Basic operation

This topic describes the basic operating principles of the Network Active Bypass unit.

Typical deployment

The following diagram shows how the data is transferred from the network to the Network IPS through the Network Active Bypass unit, and highlights the associated functions handled at each stage of bypass switching.



Switching modes

The Network Active Bypass unit provides two switching modes:

Switching mode	Description
Active	Active mode channels Ethernet frames between the public network and the private network through the Network IPS appliance. Typically, data flows from the public network to port N1 (network in). The Network Active Bypass unit transfers the data to port A1 (appliance in) and then routes the data through the Network IPS appliance to port A2 (appliance out). Active switching then routes the data through port N2 and out to the private network. Active mode also operates in reverse, routing data from a private network to a public network.

Switching mode	Description
Bypass	Bypass mode channels Ethernet frames from the public network to port N1 (network in). Data is routed through a closed loop from port N1 (network in) to port N2 (network out) and bypasses the Network IPS appliance so that frames go directly from the public network to the private network. Bypass mode also operates in reverse,
	routing data from a private network to a public network.

Heartbeat modes

The Network Active Bypass unit can continually monitor the health of Network IPS appliances by sending and receiving heartbeat pulses. This ensures real-time safety and accuracy of the data stream. You use a set time defined in the Timeout value (see "Command line parameters" on page 25 for timeout values) to configure heartbeat frames that are sent from the Network Active Bypass unit on one appliance port and received on the other port.

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Heartbeat mode	Description
Internal Heartbeat Frame Loopback Mode	A user-defined Ethernet heartbeat frame that is generated by the Network Active Bypass unit. and sent from port A1.The Network Active Bypass unit Ethernet port A2 must receive the same heartbeat frame from the Network IPS appliance. Note: The heartbeat is sent every 100 milliseconds (ms) by default and can be increased up to 25500 ms. This mode is designed for Network IPS appliances that act as a bridge. Make sure appliances are properly configured so that the device does not filter out the heartbeat frame. This mode does not require a driver for Network IPS appliances. Default: 1
Link Status Heartbeat Mode	The heartbeat signal acts as a link status indicator for Network Active Bypass unit Ethernet port A1 and A2. If port A1 or port A2 loses the link, theNetwork Active Bypass unit stops the heartbeat transmissions and activates bypass mode.

Operation modes

The Network Active Bypass unit uses the following operation modes:

Operation mode	Description
Mode 0: Normal Active Inline	The bypass unit passes traffic to the Network IPS appliance.
	If the unit does not receive a heartbeat, then it bypasses the Network IPS appliance and forwards the traffic to the network.
Mode 1: Normal Inline	The bypass unit passes traffic to the network, bypassing the Network IPS appliance.
	If the unit does not receive a heartbeat, then it passes traffic to the Network IPS appliance.
Mode 2: Manual Active Inline	The bypass unit always passes traffic to the Network IPS appliance, whether it receives a heartbeat or not.
	Another description for this mode is that the bypass unit always works in Active Switching mode.
Mode 3: Manual Active Bypass	The bypass unit always passes traffic to the network, bypassing the Network IPS appliance, whether it receives a heartbeat or not.
	Another description for this mode is that the bypass unit always works in Bypass Switching mode.
	This operation mode is useful for maintenance tasks, such as updating firmware, installing patches, or replacing appliances.
Mode 4: Manual Passive Bypass	The bypass unit does not pass any traffic, either to the Network IPS appliance or to the network.
	This operation mode is useful for testing high availability scenarios.

Chapter 2. Setting up the Network Active Bypass unit

This chapter contains information you need to connect and configure the Network Active Bypass unit.

Topics

"Configuring and deploying the Proventia Network Active Bypass unit"

Configuring and deploying the Proventia Network Active Bypass unit

This topic contains detailed steps for configuring and deploying the Network Active Bypass unit.

About this task

The following process is required to configure and deploy the Network Active Bypass unit.

Procedure

- 1. Place the Network Active Bypass unit and the Network IPS appliances on a rack.
- 2. Connect the cable to and configure the Network IPS appliances using the instructions provided in the *Proventia GX Getting Started Guide*.
- **3**. Connect the power cables to the Network Active Bypass unit and to two different power sources (for added redundancy).
- 4. Use a browser to access the management interface and log in.
- 5. Verify that the Network Active Bypass unit is passing traffic.
- 6. Use the management interface to set the segment configuration. (This process maps the ports on the appliance and sets bypass tolerances.)

Placing the Network Active Bypass unit and the Network IPS appliances

Procedure

- 1. Decide where to place the Network Active Bypass unit and the Network IPS appliances.
- 2. Add the Network Active Bypass unit and the Network IPS appliances to the rack.
- **3**. Connect the cable to the Network IPS appliances using the instructions provided in the *Proventia GX Getting Started Guide*.

Note: The Network Active Bypass unit uses four 1 Gb segments.

Connecting the power cables Procedure

- 1. Plug the DC connector of each AC adapter into the Network Active Bypass unit.
- **2**. Plug one of the power cables into an AC outlet. Plug the other power cable into an AC outlet serviced by a different AC feed.

Tip: Use independent AC power sources to maximize power redundancy in the event of AC power loss from a single source.

3. Check the power LEDs to confirm that the Network Active Bypass unit is receiving power.

Logging into the management interface

Procedure

1. Use the management cable (labeled "CAT5E") to connect a computer to the management port on the Network Active Bypass unit.

Important: Make sure you follow industry best practices for securing your critical network infrastructure. Do not connect the management port to any network that is open to external traffic. The management port should be connected only to a restricted network that is dedicated to managing the Network Active Bypass unit and the Network IPS appliances.

- 2. Start Internet Explorer.
- 3. Type https://192.168.0.111.

Note: The default IP address for the management port is 192.168.0.111. If you change the management port IP address, the Web address to access the management port is changed to include the new IP address.

4. Log in to the management interface. Use the default user name and password the first time you connect to the management interface.

Field	Default setting
User Name	admin
Password	admin

Note: If you change the default log on settings on the Users page of the management interface, the values you set are in effect for future log on attempts.

Setting up e-mail notification About this task

Configure e-mail notification to receive a status e-mail when the state of the Network Active Bypass unit changes. You must set up e-mail notification *before* you configure your segments.

Setting up segments Procedure

- 1. In the management interface, select theSegment page for the Segment you want to configure.
- 2. Type or select the appropriate settings, and then click Save

Chapter 3. Configuring the Network Active Bypass unit in the management interface

You can use either the management interface or the command line interface to set most of the configuration options for the Network Active Bypass unit. This chapter lists the configuration options available through the user interface, and describes how to set them.

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"Monitoring the status of the Network Active Bypass unit" on page 14

"Managing settings for the Network Active Bypass unit" on page 15

About the management interface

The Network Active Bypass unit provides a secured Web management interface.

Management pages

The management interface consists of a series of pages, as indicated in the following table:

Management Page	Description
Status	Status information about the Network Active Bypass unit
Management Port	IP settings for the management port
Segment 1	Port settings and heartbeat settings to activate bypass or get into active mode, for appliances on this segment.
Segment 2	Port settings and heartbeat settings to activate bypass or get into active mode, for appliances on this segment.
Segment 3	Port settings and heartbeat settings to activate bypass or get into active mode, for appliances on this segment.
Segment 4	Port settings and heartbeat settings to activate bypass or get into active mode, for appliances on this segment.
Email Notifications	Settings required for e-mail notification, such as e-mail accounts and mail server information
SNMP Settings	Settings for sending SNMP traps to an SNMP trap server
NTP Settings	Settings that enable the network time protocol (NTP) to synchronize the Network Active Bypass unit time with a network time server
Time Settings	Time zone settings for the Network Active Bypass unit
Backup/Restore	Backup, restore, and reset to factory default functions
Firmware Update	Upload firmware update files to the Network Active Bypass unit
Log Settings	Settings for the system log files
Reboot	Reboot the Network Active Bypass unit
Users	Change the admin password
Remote Authentication	Settings that allow a remote access server to communicate with an authentication server in order to determine if the user has access to the network

Accessing the management interface

You can manage and monitor the Network Active Bypass unit from any Web browser.

Prerequisite

Make sure that the Ethernet management port for the Network Active Bypass unit is connected to the local network or to the host computer.

Default management port IP address and Web address

The Network Active Bypass unit has a default IP address assigned to the management port. The default IP address and URL are shown in the following table:

Item	Default value
Management port IP address	192.168.0.111
Management port Web address	https://192.168.0.111

These default values remain in effect until you change them. You can use command line parameters or use the Management Port page of the management interface to change the the IP address for the management port.

Important: Changes to the management port can interrupt the management interface connection. Make sure that the new IP address is accessible before you make any changes. When you change the IP address, the management port Web address changes also.

Management interface Web address

You can access the management interface using a Web address that consists of https:// followed by the management port's IP address. The Web address format is as follows:

https://xxx.xxx.xxx

When you type the Web address, replace xxx.xxx.xxx with the IP address assigned to the management port.

For example, the default Web address is https://192.168.0.111

Note: When you enter the Web address, you will see a message regarding the Web site's security certificate. Click "Continue to this website (not recommended)" to proceed.

Logging in

When you enter the management Web site, you see the log in screen. Complete the fields as indicated in the following table.

Field	Description
	Type the user name Note: The default user is admin.

Field	Description
	Type the password Note: The default password is admin.

The default values remain in effect until you change them. If you need to change the user name or password, you can use the Users page of the management interface or the command line interface.

Monitoring the status of the Network Active Bypass unit

This topic provides information about using the management interface to monitor the status of the Network Active Bypass unit.

Checking overall status

The Status page is the first page you see when you log in to the management interface. Use the Status page to view information for the Network Active Bypass unit. The Status page provides information in sections, as indicated in the following table.

Section	Description
System	Provides general information about the Network Active Bypass unit
Power Supply	Indicates whether power supplies are present or not present
Segment 1	Shows the active/bypass status for segment 1
Segment 2	Shows the active/bypass status for segment 2
Segment 3	Shows the active/bypass status for segment 3
Segment 4	Shows the active/bypass status for segment 4
Tap Settings	Shows current port configurations

Viewing system status

The System section provides general system status, as indicated in the following table.

Field	Description
Product Name	Displays the name of the Network Active Bypass unit:
	"Proventia® NAB"
Product ID	Displays the product ID of the Network Active Bypass unit:
	"Proventia NAB rev 1"
Hardware Revision	Displays the hardware version of the Network Active Bypass unit
Firmware Version	Displays the current firmware version of the Network Active Bypass unit

Field	Description
Management IP	Displays the IP address for the management port Tip: Use the Management Port page if you want to change IP settings for the management port. Default: 192.168.0.111
Email Notifications	Indicates whether e-mail notifications are enabled or disabled Tip: Use the Email Notification page if you want to change e-mail settings. Default: Disable (Don't send)

Managing settings for the Network Active Bypass unit

Use the management interface to view or change settings for the Network Active Bypass unit.

Setting up segment configurations Procedure

- 1. In the management interface, select the Segment Configuration page.
- 2. Complete the fields for each of the four segments (A D) that best fits your specific network environment:

Field	Description
Max time allowed between heartbeat acceptance (100 ms - 25500 ms)	Specifies the user-defined Ethernet heartbeat frame generated by the Network Active Bypass unit.
	The heartbeat frames are sent from the Network Active Bypass unit Ethernet port A1 every 100 milliseconds (ms), and the Network Active Bypass unit Ethernet port A2 must receive the same heartbeat frame from the Network IPS appliance.
Number of HB lost to activate bypass (1–10)	Specifies the heartbeat signal that acts as a link up status indicator for the Network Active Bypass unit Ethernet ports A1 and A2.
	If port A1 or A2 loses the link, Network Active Bypass unit stops the heartbeat transmission and activates bypass mode.
Number of accepted HB to get into active mode (1–10)	Specifies the user-defined Ethernet heartbeat frame that is generated by the Network IPS appliance. This is the number of heartbeats the Network Active Bypass unit must receive in order for the unit to change from bypass to active.
	Default: 1

Field	Description
Operation Mode	Specifies the operation mode of the Network Active Bypass unit:
	• Mode 0: Normal Active Bypass (Default mode) - If Network Active Bypass unit receives heartbeat signals within the Timeout period, the switching mode remains or is changed to Active Switching mode.
	If Network Active Bypass unit does not receive heartbeat signals within the Timeout period, it will change to or remain in Bypass Switching mode.
	By default (without a heartbeat), Network Active Bypass unit remains in Bypass Switching mode.
	• Mode 1: Normal Active Inline - If Network Active Bypass unit receives heartbeat signals within the Timeout period, the switching mode remains or is changed to Bypass Switching mode.
	If Network Active Bypass unit does not receive heartbeat signals within the Timeout period, it will change to or remain in Active Switching mode. By default (without a heartbeat), Network
	Active Bypass unit remains in Active Switching mode.
	• Mode 2: Manual Active - Network Active Bypass unit is always in Active Switching mode.
	 Mode 3: Manual Active Bypass - Network Active Bypass unit is always in Bypass Switching mode.
	 Mode 4: Manual Passive Bypass - Network Active Bypass unit is in passive bypass, in which the optical switch is "Close" in bypass mode.
Link fault detection	Generates an SNMP trap if a network port stops functioning:
	• 0: disables the system from detecting Link Fault Detection
	• 1: enables the system to detect and activate Link Fault Detection
	Default: Enabled

Field	Description
Tap Setting	Specifies the ports on the Network Active Bypass unit for data flow during Bypass Switching mode and Active Switching mode:
	• Port N1: Network in
	• Port N2: Network out
	Port A1: Appliance in
	Port A2: Appliance out
	Options for Tap setting are:
	• RX
	• TX
	• RX/TX

Configuring Management Port settings Procedure

Use the Management Port page to configure IP settings for the management port.

Field	Description
IP Address	IP address of the management port
	Default: 192.168.0.111
Network Mask	IP address of the network or subnet mask
	Default: 255.255.255.0
Gateway	IP address of the network gateway
	Default: 192.168.0.1
DNS 1	IP address of the primary domain name system server
	Default: 192.168.0.1
DNS 2	IP address of the secondary domain name system server
	Default: 0.0.0.0

Setting up e-mail notifications About this task

TheNetwork Active Bypass unit provides an e-mail notification function that you can configure to send an e-mail message when the switching mode of a segment has changed. Use the Email Notification page to configure e-mail servers and accounts, and to enable or disable notifications.

Procedure

Set the values as indicated in the following table.

Field	Description
Email Notification	Enable or disable e-mail notification
	Default: Disabled (Don't send)
Outgoing Mail Server (SMTP)	Address of the appropriate outgoing SMTP mail server
Outgoing Mail Server (SMTP) Port	Port number of the outgoing SMTP mail server
	Default: 25
SMTP Username	User name for the outgoing SMTP mail server
SMTP Password	Password for the outgoing SMTP mail server (if applicable)
Outgoing Server (SMTP) Security	SSL encryption used between the SMTP mail server and mail client
	Default: Enable (Secured)
From (Sender's email address)	Name or address that should be displayed in the From field of an outgoing e-mail message
To (List of recipients, comma separated)	List of e-mail addresses to whom the notification should be sent
Subject	Subject to be displayed in the subject line of the outgoing e-mail message
	Example: "Proventia NAB status report"

Configuring SNMP traps About this task

The Network Active Bypass unit provides an SNMP trap function that can send messages to a trap server when the segment status or power supply status changes. Use the SNMP Settings page to configure the SNMP destination IP and SNMPv2 community name, and to enable or disable the SNMP trap function.

Procedure

Complete the fields as indicated in the following table.

Field	Description
Send SNMP Traps	Enable or disable the sending of SNMP traps
	Default: Disabled
SNMP traps destination IP	Destination IP of the SNMP trap server
	Default: localhost
SNMPv2 community	Community name of the SNMP trap server
	Default: public

Synchronizing time and setting time zones Procedure

Use the NTP Setting page to enable the network time protocol (NTP) to synchronize the Network Active Bypass unit time with a network time server. Use the Time Setting page to set the time zone for the Network Active Bypass unit. Set the values as described in the following table.

Field	Description
NTP	Protocol that synchronizes the Network Active Bypass unit time with a network time server Default: Disabled
	Default. Disabled
NTP Server	Public domain of a collection of computers that provide time using NTP
Time Zone	Time zone used by the Network Active Bypass unit
	Default: America\New York

Managing User Account settings Procedure

Use the Users page to change the user name and password required to access the Web management interface.

Field	Description
Password	Password required to access the management interface from a Web browser
Confirm Password	Confirmation for the password required to access the management interface from a Web browser

Backing up or restoring settings Procedure

Use the Backup/Restore page to make a backup file or to return the Network Active Bypass unit to its default settings. Complete the fields as indicated in the following table.

Field	Description
Backup	Saves a copy of current settings on the Network Active Bypass unit in a file named config.txt
Restore From	Location of a stored backup file. Type the file location or navigate to the file, and click Restore From .
Restore to Factory Default Configuration	Restores the Network Active Bypass unit to the default configuration and then restarts it Important: The IP address for the management interface is not reset.

Applying firmware updates About this task

Use the Firmware Update page to manually upload firmware updates to theNetwork Active Bypass unit. Browse to the update file location, and click **Upload Firmware**.

Note: It can take up to 5 minutes for the process to finish. Check the Status page to verify that the new firmware version has been installed.

Enabling system logging About this task

Use the Log Setting page to enable the consolidation of log data from various systems into a central repository. System logs contain important information about actions the Network Active Bypass unit has taken, due to user interaction, such as a system restart or manual feature configuration, or due to a system action, such as an automatic restart after firmware update.

Procedure

Complete the fields as indicated in the following table.

Field	Description
Logging	Set up consolidation of log data
	Default: Disabled
Syslog Server Host	IP address of the central repository of log data
	Default: localhost
Syslog Server Port	Port number on which the syslog server is monitoring
	Default: 514
Syslog Server Identification	Host name of the syslog server
	Default: NAB

Restarting the Network Active Bypass unit About this task

Use the Restart page to restart the Network Active Bypass unit.

Configuring Remote Authentication About this task

Use the Remote Authentication page to configure settings for the TACACS+ protocol. The TACACS+ (Terminal Access Controller Access Control System Plus) protocol provides access control (separate authentication, authorization, and accounting services) for Network Active Bypass unit from one or more servers.

Procedure

Complete the fields as indicated in the following table.

Field	Description
TACACS+	Allows TACACS+ protocol for access control
	Default: Disabled
Server	IP address of the server providing access services
	Default: 0.0.0.0
Encrypt	Encrypts the body of the TACACS+ packets for more secure communications
	Default: No
Secret	Shared secret value for encryption that is known to both the client and the daemon
	Default: None
Service	Services that are requesting authentication
	Default: All

Chapter 4. Configuring the Network Active Bypass unit using the command line interface

You can use either the management interface or the command line interface to set most of the configuration options for the Network Active Bypass unit. This chapter lists the command line parameters, and describes how to set up configuration options through the command line interface.

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Accessing the command line interface

This topic contains the information you need to access the command line interface.

Connection types

You can access the command line interface for the Network Active Bypass unit in one of two ways:

- Through a serial terminal emulator
- Through an SSH remote shell emulator

Connection requirements

The requirements for both connection types are shown in the following table.

Connection type	Port on Network Active Bypass unit	Cable
Serial terminal emulator	Console port	Console cable
SSH remote shell emulator	Management port	Management cable

Serial terminal settings

Use a serial terminal emulator and the following terminal settings:

Setting	Value
Communications Port	Typically COM1 (depending on computer setup)
Emulation	VT100
Bits per second	115,200
Data bits	8
Parity	None
Stop	1
Flow Control	None

SSH port

The Network Active Bypass unit SSH server uses the standard port 22.

User name and password

Use the administrator account to configure parameters and to monitor the status of the Network Active Bypass unit. The default user name and password are listed in the following table.

Field	Description
User	Type the user name Note: The default user is admin.
Password	Type the password Note: The default user is admin.

Note: You can change the password through the command line interface or through the management interface.

Syntax for command line parameters

This topic outlines the syntax required to set or to retrieve values using the command line parameters.

Permissions required

Only the Admin account has permissions to set and to retrieve system parameters.

Command line syntax

Use the following command line syntax to set or to retrieve values for parameters.

Command	Action
cli get more	Outputs values for all parameters
cli get parameter_ name	Specifies a value for the parameter Example: Typing cli get timeout displays the timeout value in decimal form
cli set parameter_name parameter_value	Sets a value for the parameter you specify Example: Typing cli set timeout 20 sets the timeout value to 20

Command line parameters

This topic lists the command line parameters available for the Network Active Bypass unit.

The parameters are divided into the following categories:

- Management port
- Communication
- E-mail notification
- SNMP
- Operational

Use parameters with care

Use these command line parameters carefully, because they control the behavior of the Network Active Bypass unit. Do not change a default value unless you are sure of the effect the change will have on your network. Some parameters should not be changed unless you are instructed to do so by a representative from IBM ISS Customer Support.

Management port parameters

The parameters in the following table control the IP settings for the management port.

Parameter	Description
ip	Current IP address for the management port for Network Active Bypass unit
	Default: 172.16.124.17
mask	Subnet mask for the management port
	Default: 255.255.255.0
gw	Gateway IP address for the management port
	Default: 172.16.124.1
current_ip	Current IP address for the management port Note: The current_ip parameter is read only.

Communication parameters

The parameters in the following table control the communication features of the Network Active Bypass unit. Use cli get to retrieve the current value for a parameter. Use cli set, plus the new value to change the value of the parameter. For example, cli set ip 127.0.0.1.

Parameter	Description
dns	DNS server IP address Note: This parameter corresponds to DNS 1 in the user interface.
dns2	Second DNS server IP address
domain	Domain name for the local host
	Default: local
dhcp	DHCP client
	dhcp: Set this parameter to dhcp to enable the DHCP client on the Network Active Bypass unit management port.
	Static: Set this parameter to static to disable the DHCP client on the Network Active Bypass unit management port
host	Host name for the unit
	This parameter is read-only.
	Default: Proventia_NAB
username	Administrator account name
	Default: admin
password	Administrator password
	Default: admin

Parameter	Description
https	Enables or disables the HTTPS server
	• 0: disables the secure Web management interface
	 1: enables access to the secure Web management interface
	Default: 1 (enabled)

E-mail notification parameters

The parameters in the following table control the e-mail notification feature.

Parameter	Description
email	Enables or disables the e-mail notification feature
	• 0: disables e-mail notification
	• 1: enables e-mail notification
	Default: 1
email_from	Name or e-mail address that is displayed in the "From" field on the e-mail notification
email_security	Enables or disables the e-mail security feature
	• 0: disables e-mail security feature
	• 1: enables e-mail security feature
	Default: 1
email_username	User name for the e-mail account used to send e-mail notifications from the Network Active Bypass unit
email_password	Password for the e-mail account used to send e-mail notifications from the Network Active Bypass unit
email_server	SMTP server address for the mail server
email_subject	Text to be displayed in the subject line of notification e-mail messages
	Sample: "Notice: PNAB segment(s) have switched modes"
email_to	List of e-mail addresses to which the notification should be sent

SNMP parameters

The parameters in the following table control the sending of SNMP traps.

Parameter	Description
snmp	Enables or disables the SNMP function
	• 0: disables SNMP function
	• 1: enables SNMP function
	Default: 0 (disabled)

Parameter	Description
snmp_community	SNMP community name
	Default: public
snmp_destination	SNMP destination
	Default: localhost
LFD	Link Fault Detection generated if a network port goes down
	• 0: disables the system from detecting Link Fault Detection
	• 1: enables the system to detect and activate Link Fault Detection
	Default: Enabled

Operational parameters

The parameters in the following table control the behavior of the Network Active Bypass unit.

Parameter	Description
timeout	Timeout value for Network Active Bypass unit
	Each timeout unit is 100 ms. (Timeout range is 100 milliseconds to 25.5 seconds.)
	In default bypass operation mode, if the Network Active Bypass unit does not detect a heartbeat frame within the set timeout value, the segment will switch from active to bypass.
	Default: 1
force	 Force (debug) mode for each I/O unit 0: Disables force (debug) mode 2: Forces segment to Active Switch mode 4: Forces segment to Bypass Switch mode
	Default: 0 (Disable)
op_mode	Default operation mode for the Network Active Bypass unit
	• 0: Normal Active Bypass
	If heartbeat is received, system will be inline.
	• 1: Normal Inline
	If heartbeat is received, system will be in bypass.
	• 2: Always Inline
	• 4: Always Active Bypass
	• 5: Manual Passive Bypass (Bypass Switch is closed in bypass mode)
	Default: 0 (Normal Active Bypass)

Parameter	Description
hb_mode	Heartbeat mode for the Network Active Bypass unit
	• hb_mode 1: system is generating heartbeat
	 hb_mode 2: external source is generating heartbeat
	• hb_mode 3: system activates bypass depending on link detection on the appliance
	Default: hb_mode 1
state	State of the Network Active Bypass unit
	This parameter is read-only.
	• 0: Bypass Switch state
	• 1: Active/Inline Switch state
active_hb_cnt	Stores the active heartbeat signal count
	The segment switches to Active Switch mode only if it receives active_hb_cnt number for a consecutive heartbeat.
	Default: 2 (Range: 1 - 10)
bypass_hb_cnt	Stores the bypass heartbeat signal count
	The segment will switch to Bypass Switch mode only if it loses bypass_hb_cnt heartbeat signal number.
	Default: 3 (Range: 1 - 10)

TACACS+ parameters

Use the following parameters to configure TACACS+ from the CLI:

Parameter	Description
tacacs	Values:
	• 0: disabled
	• 1: enabled
tacacs_encryption	Values:
	• 0: disabled
	• 1: enabled
tacacs_protocol	TACACS+ protocol
	Default: all
tacacs_secret	TACACS+ secret
	Default: None
tacacs_server	IP number of TACACS+ server
tacacs_service	TACACS+ service
	Default: all

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