EEM Context Library Command Extensions

All the Tcl context library command extensions belong to the ::cisco::eem namespace.

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context_retrieve

Retrieves Tcl variable(s) identified by the given context name, and possibly the scalar variable name, the array variable name, and the array index. Retrieved information is automatically deleted.

Note Once saved information is retrieved, it is automatically deleted. If that information is needed by another policy, the policy that retrieves it (using the **context_retrieve** command extension) should also save it again (using the **context_save** command extension).

Syntax

```
context_retrieve ctxt [var] [index_if_array]
```

Arguments

ctxt	(Mandatory) Context name.
var	(Optional) Scalar variable name or array variable name. Defaults to a null string if this argument is not specified.
index_if_array	(Optional) The array index.

Note The index_if_array argument will be ignored when the var argument is a scalar variable.

If var is unspecified, retrieves the whole variable table saved in the context.

If var is specified and index_if_array is not specified, or if index_if_array is specified but var is a scalar variable, retrieves the value of var.

If var is specified, and index_if_array is specified, and var is an array variable, retrieves the value of the specified array element.

Result String

Resets the Tcl global variables to the state that they were in when the save was performed.

Set _cerrno

- A string displaying _cerrno, _cerr_sub_num, _cerr_sub_err, _cerr_posix_err, _cerr_str due to appl_reqinfo error.
- Variable is not in the context.

Sample Usage

The following examples show how to use the **context_save**and **context_retrieve** command extension functionality to save and retrieve data. The examples are shown in save and retrieve pairs.

Example 1: Save

If var is unspecified or if a pattern if specified, saves multiple variables to the context.

```
::cisco::eem::event_register_none
namespace import ::cisco::eem::*
namespace import ::cisco::lib::*
set testvara 123
set testvarb 345
set testvarc 789
if {[catch {context_save TESTCTX "testvar*"} errmsg]} {
      action_syslog msg "context_save failed: $errmsg"
} else {
      action_syslog msg "context_save succeeded"
}
```

Example 1: Retrieve

If var is unspecified, retrieves multiple variables from the context.

```
::cisco::eem::event_register_none
namespace import ::cisco::eem::*
namespace import ::cisco::lib::*

if {[catch {foreach {var value} [context_retrieve TESTCTX] {set $var $value}} errmsg]} {
      action_syslog msg "context_retrieve failed: $errmsg"
} else {
      action_syslog msg "context_retrieve succeeded"
}
if {[info exists testvara]} {
      action_syslog msg "testvara exists and is $testvara"
} else {
      action_syslog msg "testvara does not exist"
}
if {[info exists testvarb]} {
      action_syslog msg "testvarb exists and is $testvarb"
```

```
} else {
      action_syslog msg "testvarb does not exist"
}
if {[info exists testvarc]} {
      action_syslog msg "testvarc exists and is $testvarc"
} else {
      action_syslog msg "testvarc does not exist"
}
```

Example 2: Save

If var is specified, saves the value of var.

```
::cisco::eem::event_register_none

namespace import ::cisco::eem::*
namespace import ::cisco::lib::*
set testvar 123
if {[catch {context_save TESTCTX testvar} errmsg]} {
      action_syslog msg "context_save failed: $errmsg"
} else {
      action_syslog msg "context_save succeeded"
}
```

Example 2: Retrieve

If var is specified and index_if_array is not specified, or if index_if_array is specified but var is a scalar variable, retrieves the value of var.

```
::cisco::eem::event_register_none
namespace import ::cisco::eem::*
namespace import ::cisco::lib::*
if {[catch {set testvar [context_retrieve TESTCTX testvar]} errmsg]} {
      action_syslog msg "context_retrieve failed: $errmsg"
} else {
      action_syslog msg "context_retrieve succeeded"
}
if {[info exists testvar]} {
      action_syslog msg "testvar exists and is $testvar"
} else {
      action_syslog msg "testvar does not exist"
}
```

Example 3: Save

If var is specified, saves the value of var even if it is an array.

```
::cisco::eem::event_register_none

namespace import ::cisco::eem::*
namespace import ::cisco::lib::*
array set testvar "testvar1 ok testvar2 not_ok"
if {[catch {context_save TESTCTX testvar} errmsg]} {
      action_syslog msg "context_save failed: $errmsg"
} else {
      action_syslog msg "context_save succeeded"
}
```

Example 3: Retrieve

If var is specified, and index_if_array is not specified, and var is an array variable, retrieves the entire array.

```
::cisco::eem::event_register_none
namespace import ::cisco::eem::*
namespace import ::cisco::lib::*
if {[catch {array set testvar [context_retrieve TESTCTX testvar]} errmsg]} {
      action_syslog msg "context_retrieve failed: $errmsg"
} else {
      action_syslog msg "context_retrieve succeeded"
}
if {[info exists testvar]} {
      action_syslog msg "testvar exists and is [array get testvar]"
} else {
      action_syslog msg "testvar does not exist"
}
```

Example 4: Save

If var is specified, saves the value of var even if it is an array.

```
::cisco::eem::event_register_none
namespace import ::cisco::eem::*
namespace import ::cisco::lib::*
array set testvar "testvar1 ok testvar2 not_ok"
if {[catch {context_save TESTCTX testvar} errmsg]} {
      action_syslog msg "context_save failed: $errmsg"
} else {
      action_syslog msg "context_save succeeded"
}
```

Example 4: Retrieve

If var is specified, and index_if_array is specified, and var is an array variable, retrieves the specified array element value.

```
::cisco::eem::event_register_none
namespace import ::cisco::eem::*
namespace import ::cisco::lib::*
if {[catch {set testvar [context_retrieve TESTCTX testvar testvar1]} errmsg]} {
      action_syslog msg "context_retrieve failed: $errmsg"
} else {
      action_syslog msg "context_retrieve succeeded"
}
if {[info exists testvar]} {
      action_syslog msg "testvar exists and is $testvar"
} else {
      action_syslog msg "testvar doesn't exist"
}
```

context_save

Saves Tcl variables that match a given pattern in current and global namespaces with the given context name as identification. Use this Tcl command extension to save information outside of a policy. Saved information can be retrieved by a different policy using the **context_retrieve** command extension.

Note Once saved information is retrieved, it is automatically deleted. If that information is needed by another policy, the policy that retrieves it (using the **context_retrieve** command extension) should also save it again (using the **context_save** command extension).

Syntax

```
context_save ctxt [pattern]
```

Arguments

ctxt	(Mandatory) Context name.
pattern	(Optional) The glob-style pattern as used by the **string match**Tcl command. If this argument is not specified, the pattern defaults to the wildcard *. There are three constructs used in glob patterns: • * = all characters • ? = 1 character • [abc] = match one of a set of characters

Result String

None

Set _cerrno

A string displaying _cerrno, _cerr_sub_num, _cerr_sub_err, _cerr_posix_err, _cerr_str due to appl_setinfo error.

Sample Usage

The following examples show how to use the **context_save**and **context_retrieve** command extension functionality to save and retrieve data. The examples are shown in save and retrieve pairs.

Example 1: Save

If var is unspecified or if a pattern if specified, saves multiple variables to the context.

```
::cisco::eem::event_register_none
namespace import ::cisco::eem::*
namespace import ::cisco::lib::*
set testvara 123
set testvarb 345
set testvarc 789
if {[catch {context_save TESTCTX "testvar*"} errmsg]} {
      action_syslog msg "context_save failed: $errmsg"
} else {
      action_syslog msg "context_save succeeded"
}
```

Example 1: Retrieve

If var is unspecified, retrieves multiple variables from the context.

```
::cisco::eem::event_register_none
namespace import ::cisco::eem::*
namespace import ::cisco::lib::*

if {[catch {foreach {var value} [context_retrieve TESTCTX] {set $var $value}} errmsg]} {
      action_syslog msg "context_retrieve failed: $errmsg"
} else {
      action_syslog msg "context_retrieve succeeded"
}
if {[info exists testvara]} {
      action_syslog msg "testvara exists and is $testvara"
} else {
      action_syslog msg "testvara does not exist"
}
if {[info exists testvarb]} {
      action_syslog msg "testvarb exists and is $testvarb"
} else {
      action_syslog msg "testvarb does not exist"
}
if {[info exists testvarc]} {
      action_syslog msg "testvarc exists and is $testvarc"
} else {
      action_syslog msg "testvarc does not exist"
}
```

Example 2: Save

If var is specified, saves the value of var.

```
::cisco::eem::event_register_none

namespace import ::cisco::eem::*
namespace import ::cisco::lib::*
set testvar 123
if {[catch {context_save TESTCTX testvar} errmsg]} {
      action_syslog msg "context_save failed: $errmsg"
} else {
      action_syslog msg "context_save succeeded"
}
```

Example 2: Retrieve

If var is specified and index_if_array is not specified, or if index_if_array is specified but var is a scalar variable, retrieves the value of var.

```
::cisco::eem::event_register_none
namespace import ::cisco::eem::*
namespace import ::cisco::lib::*
if {[catch {set testvar [context_retrieve TESTCTX testvar]} errmsg]} {
      action_syslog msg "context_retrieve failed: $errmsg"
} else {
      action_syslog msg "context_retrieve succeeded"
}
if {[info exists testvar]} {
      action_syslog msg "testvar exists and is $testvar"
} else {
```

```
      action_syslog msg "testvar does not exist"
}
```

Example 3: Save

If var is specified, saves the value of var even if it is an array.

```
::cisco::eem::event_register_none

namespace import ::cisco::eem::*
namespace import ::cisco::lib::*
array set testvar "testvar1 ok testvar2 not_ok"
if {[catch {context_save TESTCTX testvar} errmsg]} {
      action_syslog msg "context_save failed: $errmsg"
} else {
      action_syslog msg "context_save succeeded"
}
```

Example 3: Retrieve

If var is specified, and index_if_array is not specified, and var is an array variable, retrieves the entire array.

```
::cisco::eem::event_register_none
namespace import ::cisco::eem::*
namespace import ::cisco::lib::*
if {[catch {array set testvar [context_retrieve TESTCTX testvar]} errmsg]} {
      action_syslog msg "context_retrieve failed: $errmsg"
} else {
      action_syslog msg "context_retrieve succeeded"
}
if {[info exists testvar]} {
      action_syslog msg "testvar exists and is [array get testvar]"
} else {
      action_syslog msg "testvar does not exist"
}
```

Example 4: Save

If var is specified, saves the value of var even if it is an array.

```
::cisco::eem::event_register_none
namespace import ::cisco::eem::*
namespace import ::cisco::lib::*
array set testvar "testvar1 ok testvar2 not_ok"
if {[catch {context_save TESTCTX testvar} errmsg]} {
      action_syslog msg "context_save failed: $errmsg"
} else {
      action_syslog msg "context_save succeeded"
}
```

Example 4: Retrieve

If var is specified, and index_if_array is specified, and var is an array variable, retrieves the specified array element value.

```
::cisco::eem::event_register_none
namespace import ::cisco::eem::*
namespace import ::cisco::lib::*
if {[catch {set testvar [context_retrieve TESTCTX testvar testvar1]} errmsg]} {
```

```
      action_syslog msg "context_retrieve failed: $errmsg"
} else {
      action_syslog msg "context_retrieve succeeded"
}
if {[info exists testvar]} {
      action_syslog msg "testvar exists and is $testvar"
} else {
      action_syslog msg "testvar doesn't exist"
}
```