Boot Integrity Visibility

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Information About Boot Integrity Visibility

Boot Integrity Visibility allows Cisco's platform identity and software integrity information to be visible and actionable. Platform identity provides the platform's manufacturing installed identity. Software integrity exposes boot integrity measurements that can be used to assess whether the platform has booted trusted code.

During the boot process, the software creates a checksum record of each stage of the bootloader activities.

You can retrieve this record and compare it with a Cisco-certified record to verify if your software image is genuine. If the checksum values do not match, you may be running a software image that is either not certified by Cisco or has been altered by an unauthorized party.

Image Signing and Bootup

The Cisco build servers generate the Cisco IOS XE images. Cisco IOS XE images use the Abraxas image signing system to sign these images securely with the Cisco private RSA keys.

When you copy the Cisco IOS XE image onto a Catalyst 9000 Series Switch, Cisco's ROMMON Boot ROM verifies the image using Cisco release keys. These keys are public keys that correspond to the Cisco release private key that is stored securely on the Abraxas servers. The release key is stored in the ROMMON.

Catalyst 9000 Series Switches support boot integrity visibility feature. Boot integrity visibility serves as a hardware trust anchor which validates the ROMMON software to ensure that the ROMMON software is not tampered with.

The Cisco IOS XE image is digitally signed during the build time. An SHA-512 hash is generated over the entire binary image file, and then the hash is encrypted with a Cisco RSA 2048-bit private key. The ROMMON verifies the signature using the Cisco public key. If the software is not generated by a Cisco build system, the signature verification fails. The device ROMMON rejects the image and stops booting. If the signature verification is successfully, the device boots the image to the Cisco IOS XE runtime environment.

The ROMMON follows these steps when it verifies a signed Cisco IOS XE image during the bootup:

1. Loads the Cisco IOS XE image into the CPU memory.
2. Examines the Cisco IOS XE package header.
3. Runs a non-secure integrity check on the image to ensure that there is no unintentional file corruption from the disk or TFTP. This is performed using a non-secure SHA-1 hash.
4. Copies the Cisco's RSA 2048-bit public release key from the ROMMON storage and validates that the Cisco's RSA 2048-bit public release key is not tampered.
5. Extracts the Code Signing signature (SHA-512 hash) from the package header and verifies it using Cisco's RSA 2048-bit public release key.
6. Performs the Code Signing validation by calculating the SHA-512 hash of the Cisco IOS XE package and compares it with the Code Signing signature. The Signed package is now validated.
7. Examines the Cisco IOS XE package header to validate the platform type and CPU architecture for compatibility.
8. Extracts the Cisco IOS XE software from the Cisco IOS XE package and boots it.

Note In above process, step 3 is a non-secure check of the image which is intended to confirm the image against inadvertent corruption due to disk errors, file transfer errors, or copying errors. This is not part of the image code signing. This check is not intended to detect deliberate image tampering.

Image Code Signing validation occurs in step 4, 5, and 6. This is a secure code signing check of the image using an SHA-512 hash that is encrypted with a 2048-bit RSA key. This check is intended to detect deliberate image tampering.

Verifying the Software Image and Hardware

This task describes how to retrieve the checksum record that was created during a switch bootup. Enter the following commands in privileged EXEC mode.

Note On executing the following commands, you might see the message **% Please Try After Few Seconds** displayed on the CLI. This does not indicate a CLI failure, but indicates setting up of underlying infrastructure required to get the required output. We recommend waiting for a few minutes and then try the command again.

The messages **% Error retrieving SUDI certificate** and **% Error retrieving integrity data** signify a real CLI failure.

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	**show platform sudi certificate** [**sign** [**nonce** *nonce*]] **Example:** `Device# show platform sudi certificate sign nonce 123`	Displays checksum record for the specific SUDI. • (Optional) **sign** - Show signature • (Optional) **nonce** - Enter a nonce value
Step 2	**show platform integrity** [**sign** [**nonce** *nonce*]] **Example:** `Device# show platform integrity sign nonce 123`	Displays checksum record for boot stages. • (Optional) **sign** - Show signature • (Optional) **nonce** - Enter a nonce value

Verifying Platform Identity and Software Integrity

Verifying Platform Identity

The following example displays the Secure Unique Device Identity (SUDI) chain in PEM format. Encoded into the SUDI is the Product ID and Serial Number of each individual device such that the device can be uniquely identified on a network of thousands of devices. The first certificate is the Cisco Root CA 2048 and the second is the Cisco subordinate CA (ACT2 SUDI CA). Both certificates can be verified to match those published on https://www.cisco.com/security/pki/. The third is the SUDI certificate.

Important All the CLI outputs provided here are intended only for reference. The output differs based the configuration of the device.

```
Device# show platform sudi certificate sign nonce 123
-----BEGIN CERTIFICATE-----
MIIDQzCCAiugAwIBAgIQX/h7KCtU3I1CoxW1aMmt/zANBgkqhkiG9w0BAQUFADA1
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Ew1DaXNjbyBTeXN0ZW1zMRswGQYDVQQDExJDaXNjbyBSb290IENBIDIwNDgwggEg
MA0GCSqGSIb3DQEBAQUAA4IBDQAwggEIAoIBAQCwmrmrp68Kd6ficba0ZmKUeIhH
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jWn0f84bcN5wGyDWbs2mAag8EtKpP6BrXruOIIt6keO1aO6g58QBdKhTCytKmg9l
Eg6CTY5j/e/rmxrbU6YTYK/CfdfHbBcl1HP7R2RQgYCUTOG/rksc35LtLgXfAgED
o1EwTzALBgNVHQ8EBAMCAYYwDwYDVR0TAQH/BAUwAwEB/zAdBgNVHQ4EFgQUJ/PI
FR5umgIJFq0roIlgX9p7L6owEAYJKwYBBAGCNxUBBAMCAQAwDQYJKoZIhvcNAQEF
BQADggEBAJ2dhISjQal8dwy3U8pORFBi71R803UXHOjgxkhLtv5MOhmBVrBW7hmW
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cB7w4ovXsNgOnbFp1iqRe6lJT37mjpXYgyc81WhJDtSd9i7rp77rMKSsH0T8lasz
```

```
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CYNu/2bPPu8Xs1gYJQk0XuPL1hS27PKSb3TkL4Eq1ZKR4OCXPDJoBYVL0fdX4lId
kxpUnwVwwEpxYB5DC2Ae/qPOgRnhCzU=
-----END CERTIFICATE-----
-----BEGIN CERTIFICATE-----
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VQQKEw1DaXNjbyBTeXN0ZW1zMRswGQYDVQQDExJDaXNjbyBSb290IENBIDIwNDgw
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-----END CERTIFICATE-----
-----BEGIN CERTIFICATE-----
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MzZMMFE5MQ4wDAYDVQQKEwVDaXNjbzEYMBYGA1UECxMPQUNULTIgTGl0ZSBTVURJ
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Fxyp7JBmGPPgAkY7rKsYENiNK2hiR7Q2O7X2BidOKknEuofWdJMNyMaZgLYLOHbJ
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PVUxUk5TVEl3TVRjd05qSTFBQUFwZndBQUFBQUFBQUFBQUFBQUFBQUhtSlU9MA0G
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Cmcj9X52Xl3i4MdOUXocZLO2kh6JSgOYGkFeZifJ0iDvMfAf0cJ6+cEF6bSxAqBL
veel+8LmeiE/2O9h6qGHPPDacCaXA2oJCDHveAt8iPTG
-----END CERTIFICATE-----

Signature version: 1
Signature:
[redacted]
```

The optional RSA 2048 signature is across the three certificates, the signature version and the user-provided nonce.

```
RSA PKCS#1v1.5 Sign {<Nonce (UINT64)> || <Signature Version (UINT32)> || <Cisco Root CA
2048 cert (DER)> ||
<Cisco subordinate CA (DER)> || <SUDI certificate (DER)> }
```

Cisco management solutions are equipped with the ability to interpret the above output. However, a simple script using OpenSSL commands can also be used to display the identity of the platform and to verify the signature, thereby ensuring its Cisco unique device identity.

```
[linux-host:~]openssl x509 -in sudi_id.pem -subject -noout
subject= /serialNumber=PID:C9600-SUP-1 SN:CAT2239L06B/CN=C9600-SUP-1-70b3171eaa00
```

Verifying Software Integrity

The following example displays the checksum record for the boot stages. The hash measurements are displayed for each of the three stages of software successively booted. These hashes can be compared against Cisco-provided reference values. An option to sign the output gives a verifier the ability to ensure the output is genuine and is not altered. A nonce can be provided to protect against replay attacks.

Note Boot integrity hashes are not MD5 hashes. For example, if you run **verify /md5 cat9k_iosxe.16.10.01.SPA.bin** command for the bundle file, the hash will not match.

The following is a sample output of the **show platform integrity sign nonce 123** command. This output includes measurements of each installed package file.

```
Device#show platform integrity sign nonce 123
Platform: C9606R
Boot 0 Version: MA0083R06.1810032017
Boot 0 Hash: 535AD9DC3D2A26C030D7DF6D4342FD52AB4DC6B1395DB18E7CA33F678A874B9E
Boot Loader Version: System Bootstrap, Version 16.11.1r[FC2], RELEASE SOFTWARE (P)
Boot Loader Hash:
C66199E7F63242A45BEAA0A8FCB5C17432FA13AF82FB1596D5CFEE1FF1080F2107FEEFB48AC5DF88B41894AEC7AF87052717012BFF6185D34F579D9BF7184597
OS Version: BLD_V1611_THROTTLE_LATEST_20190203_030036
OS Hashes:
cat9k_iosxe.BLD_V1611_THROTTLE_LATEST_20190203_030036.SSA.bin:
3F4A10066EAAA30417D7D17395ADDD71FFCCED6ABAA122ABA439D12A03C78EF38B8D281DEFA2D7CC15AA7FE63AA1344FEABF68AC6409D408F89277F35DB8EE55
cat9k-wlc.BLD_V1611_THROTTLE_LATEST_20190203_030036.SSA.pkg:
2F0894E3F3A1332EDF2B2733EB456A4EB57E1A417BF46B53AD1323D1B02BA7688667C84AC7BD274B6B3A5DD3D19EB7EDA5DAB13E9941A37C73256C7577F3A3A1
cat9k-webui.BLD_V1611_THROTTLE_LATEST_20190203_030036.SSA.pkg:
ADE97B8FA0AC1C2694ECA93C96F77DCC0E96D7D36134795A4197AF60B9B2E9BE582C0535E9CE11A5EBD50542C6A94B55742E916185E333D3EF9E716D16AD0FDD
cat9k-guestshell.BLD_V1611_THROTTLE_LATEST_20190203_030036.SSA.pkg:
174AE72DF46F86D5ADD0A73344295A91C809CD42E6C12FEB29024215DAC89140511EE2EDFEF8E5CEAD731B4276C85B3F7D5BF9386083CCBE3E4C504E1E0400E1
cat9k-srdriver.BLD_V1611_THROTTLE_LATEST_20190203_030036.SSA.pkg:
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cat9k-sipbase.BLD_V1611_THROTTLE_LATEST_20190203_030036.SSA.pkg:
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cat9k-espbase.BLD_V1611_THROTTLE_LATEST_20190203_030036.SSA.pkg:
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cat9k-cc_srdriver.BLD_V1611_THROTTLE_LATEST_20190203_030036.SSA.pkg:
59362BDDD62AB1E94297891D8ECEBB467FB28261B6D75F6442610DD41A8E54D69609C94D081D32142412CC69C5C88036F26BE5F356B848ACBCEE5692A423D92F
cat9k-sipspa.BLD_V1611_THROTTLE_LATEST_20190203_030036.SSA.pkg:
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cat9k-rpbase.BLD_V1611_THROTTLE_LATEST_20190203_030036.SSA.pkg:
F24FB8347047A3D0930F8B353B2494EFCB6E0FB60B2A1BFE5F9C322EBC675A0A5D94CDC36195B41971F5B47383FB095BC731FB45407D42DE57BA14E3E6DEEFBE
PCR0: 7803FB049E7B111131B2FDACAF9B1918C28448E250054FE0C65D0317427A5EB1
PCR8: 0B65A1D00AA4AC815552170D11E5B4405C6D4B80453925E54F866D5BDF2B718A
Signature version: 1
Signature:
[redacted]
```

Verifying Image Signing

The following example displays the secure code signing check of the image during bootup using an SHA-512 hash.

```
switch:boot flash:packages.conf
boot: attempting to boot from [flash:packages.conf]
boot: reading file packages.conf
#
Performing Integrity Check ...
boot: parsed image from conf file: cat9k-rpboot.17.02.01.SSA.pkg
################################################
```

```
454D4423643CE80E2A9AC94FA54CA49F

Obtained hash:
DDAF35A193617ABACC417349AE204131
12E6FA4E89A97EA20A9EEEE64B55D39A
2192992A274FC1A836BA3C23A3FEEBBD
454D4423643CE80E2A9AC94FA54CA49F
Sha512 Self Test Passed
Found package arch type ARCH_i686_TYPE
Found package FRU type FRU_RP_TYPE
Performing Integrity Check ...

RSA Signed DEVELOPMENT Image Signature Verification Successful.
```

Additional References for Boot Integrity Visibility

Related Documents

Related Topic	Document Title
For complete syntax and usage information for the commands used in this chapter.	*Command Reference (Catalyst 9600 Series Switches)*

Feature History for Boot Integrity Visibility

This table provides release and related information for features explained in this module.

These features are available on all releases subsequent to the one they were introduced in, unless noted otherwise.

Release	Feature	Feature Information
Cisco IOS XE Gibraltar 16.11.1	Boot Integrity Visibility	Boot Integrity Visibility allows Cisco's platform identity and software integrity information to be visible and actionable. Platform identity provides the platform's manufacturing installed identity.

Use Cisco Feature Navigator to find information about platform and software image support. To access Cisco Feature Navigator, go to http://www.cisco.com/go/cfn.