

NetEdit 2.1 - Part 4 – NAE Agents and Notifications

IMPORTANT! THIS GUIDE ASSUMES THAT THE AOS-CX OVA HAS BEEN INSTALLED AND WORKS IN GNS3 OR EVE-NG. PLEASE REFER TO GNS3/EVE-NG INITIAL SETUP LABS IF REQUIRED.

<https://www.eve-ng.net/index.php/documentation/howtos/howto-add-aruba-cx-switch/>

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Lab Objective

This is the fourth lab in the NetEdit lab. At the end of the lab series, you will be able to operate an Aruba AOS-CX Network using Aruba NetEdit 2.1.

Lab Overview

In this lab of the NetEdit Series, you will use NetEdit to deploy an NAE agent and monitor critical alerts. Additionally, you will explore NetEdit's notification feature.

This lab requires is the continuation of Lab 1 and assumes that:

- you have completed labs 1 to 3
- the configuration of the switches is still active
- NetEdit is in the same state as it was at the end of Lab 3

Lab Network Layout

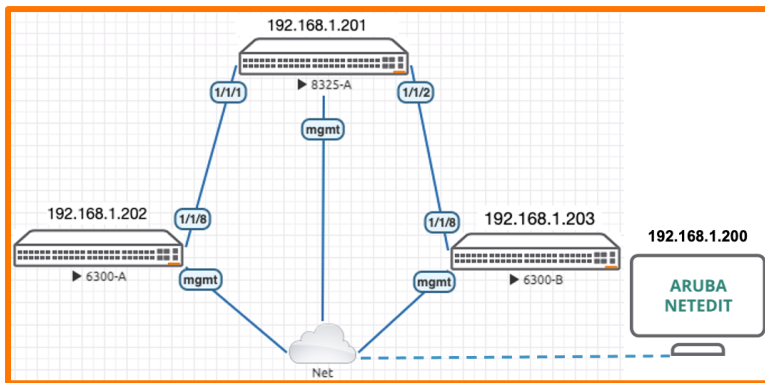


Figure 1. Lab topology and addresses

Lab Task 1. Create a Notification for NAE Critical Alerts

In this task you will prepare a NetEdit notification for NAE critical alerts. For simplicity, the alert will be "Log Only".

- Go to the **Notifications** page
- In the **Notifications** tab, go to **Actions** and **Add Notification**

+ Add Notification	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enabled	Name: NAE Critical Alert
Name: NAE Critical Alert	Description: Increase or decrease the number of matching results
Description: Increase or decrease the number of matching results	Query: nae-status:Critical
Query: nae-status:Critical	Notify when: Matching results change
Notify When: Matching results change	Method: Log only
Method: Log Only	
Message:	
<input type="button" value="ADD"/>	<input type="button" value="CANCEL"/>

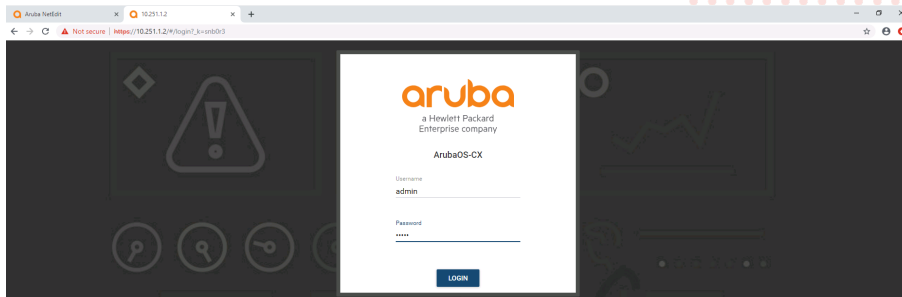
- Click **Add** to confirm and verify that the notification has been created

Notifications						ACTION	
Enabled	Name	Description	Query	Notify When	Method		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NAE Critical Alert	Increase or decrease the number of match...	nae-status:Critical	Matching results change	Log Only		

Note: take a few minutes to explore the **Methods** tab, and learn what methods can be created

Lab Task 2. Deploying and Using NAE Scripts

Test your network connections **COR1A**'s WebUI (192.168.1.201) in Chrome and login with **admin/admin**



Leave the WebUI open and return to the NetEdit tab.

Deploy an NAE Agent

- Return to NetEdit**
- Select **COR1A** and in the ACTION menu choose **Deploy Solution**.
- Go to the Deploy **Networks Analytics Engine** and select **network_health_monitor.1.3**
- Use the NAE Agent Name **LAG_Health** and setup monitoring for **LAG 1** and **LAG 2**

Deploy Solution

Name*
network_health_monitor.1.3 solution, admin, 2021-05-30 14:40:23

Description
network_health_monitor.1.3 solution made by admin.

network_health_monitor.1.3

NAE Agent Name*
LAG_Health

Name of NAE Agent

Name of lag 1 to be monitored
1

Name of lag 1 for which status is to be monitored

Name of lag 2 to be monitored
2

Name of lag 2 for which status is to be monitored

Name of lag 3 to be monitored

PREVIEW CREATE CANCEL

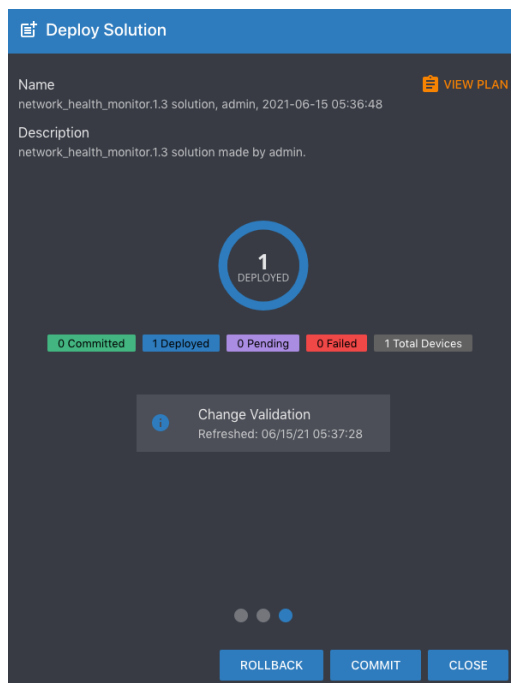
PREVIEW

```

157 https-server vrf mgmt
157 https-server vrf mgmt
158 +nae-script network_health_monitor false IyAtKi0gY29kaW5nO1B1dGtOCAtKi0KIwojIChjKSB0d
159 +nae-agent network_health_monitor LAG_Health false lag_name_1:MQ== lag_name_2:Mg==

```

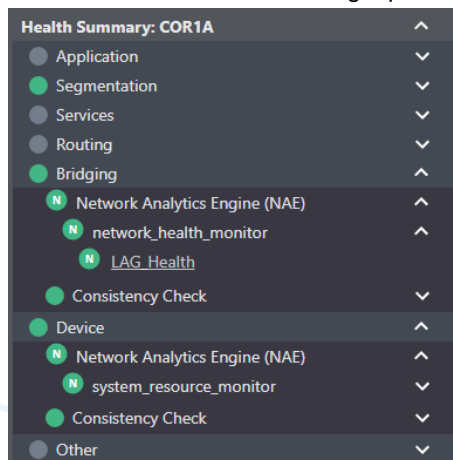
- CREATE** and if all the validation is successful, **DEPLOY**



- o Review **Change Validation** and check the differences in the output of **show running-config** command

```
https-server vrf mgmt
+nae-script network_health_monitor false 1yAtKi0gY29kaW5pOiBldGYtOCAtKi0KiwojIChjKSBBb
+nae-agent network_health_monitor LAG_Health false lag_name 1:MQ== lag_name 2:Mg==
```

- Click OK and **COMMIT**
- Select the **COR1A** and on the right panel look for the **Device** properties

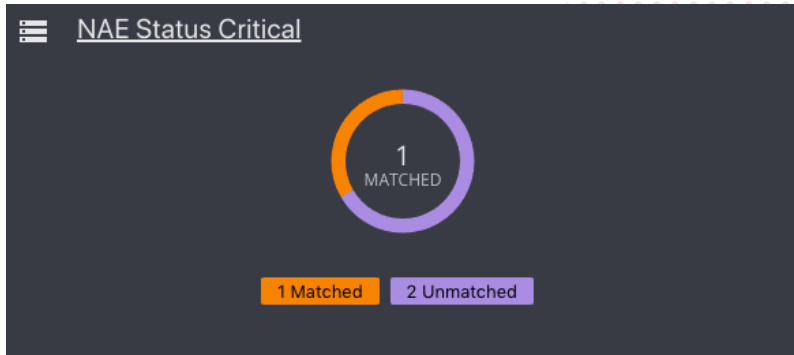


- Click on **Bridging** and open **Network Analytics Engine, Network Health Monitor, LAG_Health**
- Click on **LAG_Health** to open the WebUI's NAE Agent page
- Try the NAE Agent by shutting down interface 1/1/1 and affecting the state of LAG 1
- Use the Multi-Editor for COR1A, shutdown interface 1/1/1, and deploy the change

```
26 interface 1/1/1
27     mtu 2048
28     description LAG1-PORT1
29     lag 1
```

- Go to the **main dashboard** (**Overview** page)

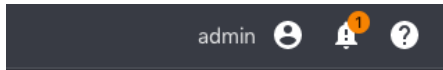
Notice that the **NAE Status Critical** tile now shows **1 MATCHED**



IMPORTANT

This tile is where you will find if there is any critical alert generated by any agent on any switch in the network (managed by NetEdit).

- At the top-right corner, notice the **Alert**



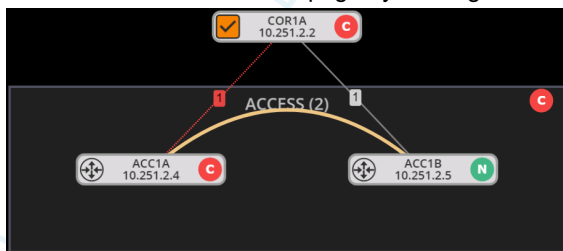
Click on it and NetEdit will take you to the **Notifications** page and show you the log message

Time	Notification	Method	Message
06/15/21 06:02:47	NAE Critical Alert	Log Only	NAE Critical Alert https://192.168.1.240/#/app/network?search=nae-status%3ACritical + COR1A (192.168.1.201) (added)

- Right-click on it and acknowledge the message
- Select it to see the details

The image shows a dark-themed UI for alert details. It has sections for "Time" (06/15/21 06:02:47), "Notification" (NAE Critical Alert), "Method" (Log Only), and "Message" (NAE Critical Alert). At the bottom, there is a URL: <https://192.168.1.240/#/app/network?search=nae-status%3ACritical> + COR1A (192.168.1.201) (added).

- Return to NetEdit's **network** page by clicking on the URL shown in the alert details



Notice the **link** between COR1A and ACC1A and the **Critical** NAE state.

- Go to the WebUI tab, and observe the agent's page: see the status, and, in the **Alert** box click on the Link State alert and select **Details**

Agent Details

Name

LAG_Health

Script Name

network_health_monitor

Status

Critical

Last Status

an hour ago

Alerts

NAVIGATE

DETAILS

Time	Rule	Action(s)
05/30/21 13:50:59	Link State	ALERT_LEVEL,CLI(2),SYSLOG

Explore the CLI Command and Output Results

▲ Alert Details

Agent

LAG_Health

Rule

Link State

Time

05/30/21 13:50:59

Action(s)

ALERT_LEVEL,CLI(2),SYSLOG

Monitors:

Interface Link status

Time Series:

Interface_link_state

Resources:

Interface=1/1/1

Action Result(s):

Alert Level Changed

Critical

SYSLOG

[local] Interface 1/1/1 Link gone down

CLI (show lldp configuration 1/1/1)

Output - SUCCESS

CLI (show interface 1/1/1 extended)

Output - SUCCESS

CLOSE

End of NetEdit 2.1 Lab 4.

