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Preface

This manual describes the NetEx/IPTM software for supported UNIX operating systems.

The supported UNIX operating systems and specific NetEx/IPTM products are:

- H620IP for IBM AIX operating systems.
- H800IP for Linux operating system on x86 platforms.
- H820IP for Linux for System z operating systems.

"Chapter 1: Introduction", "Chapter 2: NetEx/IP and the ISO Model", "Chapter 3: NetEx/IP Session Services", and "Chapter 4: NetEx Request Block" are intended for all readers. "Chapter 5: C High Level Interface" describes the library of subroutines that are called by the C high-level language programs.

"Appendix A: NRB Error Codes" includes a list and description of the error messages and codes issued by NetEx/IP.

Readers are not expected to be familiar with NetEx/IP before using this manual. However, an understanding of programming and using the host operating system is required.

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Format	Description
displayed information	Information displayed on a CRT (or printed) is shown in this font.
user entry	This font is used to indicate the information to be entered by the user.
UPPERCASE	The exact form of a keyword that is not case-sensitive or is issued in uppercase.
MIXedcase	The exact form of a keyword that is not case-sensitive or is issued in uppercase, with the minimum spelling shown in uppercase.
bold	The exact form of a keyword that is case-sensitive and all or part of it must be issued in lowercase.
lowercase	A user-supplied name or string.
value	Underlined parameters or options are defaults.
<label></label>	The label of a key appearing on a keyboard. If "label" is in uppercase, it matches the label on the key (for example: <enter>). If "label" is in lowercase, it describes the label on the key (for example: <up-arrow>).</up-arrow></enter>
<key1><key2></key2></key1>	Two keys to be pressed simultaneously.
No delimiter	Required keyword/parameter.

Glossary

asynchronous: A class of data transmission service whereby all requests for service contend for a pool of dynamically allocated ring bandwidth and response time.

ASCII: Acronym for American National Standard Code for Information Interchange.

buffer: A contiguous block of memory allocated for temporary storage of information in performing I/O operations. Data is saved in a predetermined format. Data may be written into or read from the buffers.

code conversion: An optional feature in NetEx that dynamically converts the user data from one character set to another (for example, ASCII, EBCDIC, et cetera).

Configuration Manager: A utility that parses a text NCT file into a PAM file.

Coprocessor NETwork EXecutive (CP NetEx): Resides on some types of Processor Interface (PI) boards and uses the processing and storage capacity of the board. This allows minicomputer users to use NetEx with minimal impact on host storage and processing.

header: A collection of control information transmitted at the beginning of a message, segment, datagram, packet, or block of data.

host: A data processing system that is connected to the network and with which devices on the network communicate. In the context of Internet Protocol (IP), a host is any addressable node on the network; an IP router has more than one host address.

Internet Protocol (IP): A protocol suite operating within the Internet as defined by the *Requests For Comment* (RFC). This may also refer to the network layer (level 3) of this protocol stack (the layer concerned with routing datagrams from network to network).

ISO: Acronym for International Standards Organization.

link: (1) A joining of any kind of IP networks. (2) The communications facility used to interconnect two trunks/busses on a network.

Network Configuration Table (NCT): An internal data structure that is used by the NETEX configuration manager program to store all the information describing the network.

NETwork EXecutive (NetEx): A family of software designed to enable two or more application programs on heterogeneous host systems to communicate. NetEx is tailored to each supported operating system, but can communicate with any other supported NetEx, regardless of operating system.

NetEx can reside on the host or in a NESiGate adapter.

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Open Systems Interconnection (OSI): A seven-layer protocol stack defining a model for communications among components (computers, devices, people, etcetera) of a distributed network. OSI was defined by the ISO.

processor interface (PI): A PI interfaces a minicomputer with an adapter. The PI is a board(s) that contains a microprocessor and memory. The processor interface is generally installed in the host. Some types of PIs contain NetEx.

path: A route that can reach a specific host or group of devices.

TCP/IP: An acronym for Transmission Control Protocol/Internet Protocol. These communication protocols provide the mechanism for inter-network communications, especially on the Internet. The protocols are

hardware-independent. They are described and updated through *Requests For Comment* (RFC). IP corresponds to the OSI network layer 3, TCP to layers 4 and 5.

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Chapter 1: Introduction

Network Executive Software's NetEx/IPTM allows two or more application programs (which may be on different host computers) to communicate with each other at multi-megabit speeds. The NetEx/IP family of software consists of different versions of NetEx/IP for use with different operating systems, such as the versions for use with the various UNIX operating system hosts. All of these versions provide a common high-level interface to simplify programming requirements. NetEx/IP utility programs are also available, such as the Bulk File Transfer (BFXTM), Print File Transfer (PFXTM), and USER-Access® utilities.

NetEx/IP Characteristics

NetEx/IP centralizes network considerations for IP networks, into a single piece of software. The following sections describe the characteristics of the NetEx/IP software.

- External interface
- Internal interaction
- NetEx/IP connections
- Design flow efficiency and flexibility
- Block segmenting
- Alternate Path Retry
- Basic I/O flow
- Remote operator interface

External Interface

The NetEx/IP external interface for the application programmer is common for all versions of NetEx/IP. NetEx/IP provides requests for use in the programs that call NetEx/IP. These calling programs may be written in C or other high-level languages. NetEx/IP programs written in high-level languages may be transported from one host to another, with some changes to account for different word sizes and other machine architecture variations.

NetEx/IP also provides an operator interface that monitors and controls certain NetEx/IP functions.

Internal Interaction

The internal operation of all supported versions of NetEx/IP are consistent and allow the different versions to interact freely. Thus, any program using NetEx/IP may communicate with any other program on the network that is also using NetEx/IP.

To facilitate communication between hosts of different manufacture, NetEx/IP supports code conversion. NetEx/IP software can perform code conversion.

NetEx/IP Connections

To communicate using NetEx/IP, two calling programs first form a connection using a handshake protocol. NetEx/IP then allows this pair of programs to communicate.

NetEx/IP can establish multiple connections at one time, and can allow one program to have multiple connections simultaneously.

NetEx/IP also supports communications within a single host. A calling program may connect to another calling program in the same host and exchange information just as if network communications were taking place.

Design Efficiency and Flexibility

The NetEx/IP design enables many applications on the same processor to share the use of the network facility. Programs calling NetEx/IP can be written without regard to the other programs calling NetEx/IP or other Network Executive Software device drivers.

Once NetEx/IP accepts data from the caller, NetEx/IP must deliver the data to its destination. The NetEx/IP subsystem on each host handles flow control, error recovery, and any other special considerations such as satellite links.

NetEx/IP optimizes data transfer throughput using a high degree of parallelism. That is, under normal circumstances, simultaneous adapter I/O, NetEx/IP buffer management, and user file I/O all take place concurrently. This means that the effective data transfer rate is as fast as possible (in the multi-megabit range).

Block Segmenting

NetEx/IP products provide block segmenting at the transport layer. NetEx/IP divides data into segments of a specified size for transmission across the network and reassembles the segments on the remote host before delivering the data to the session layer calling program on the remote NetEx/IP. This segmenting is transparent to the session user but provides control of the transmitted block segment size. This is especially useful for satellite communication.

Alternate Path Retry

Alternate Path Retry (APR) provides the capability for connections to automatically reroute on different network paths when a failure on a path is detected. This rerouting takes place with no loss of data. Alternate path retry is provided as part of the type 2 protocol supplied with current NetEx/IP versions. For more information on APR, refer to the "C" Configuration Manager and NETEX Alternate Path Retry (APR) User Guide.

Remote Operator Interface

This version of NetEx/IP provides a remote operator interface that allows users to issue NetEx/IP operator commands to other defined NetEx/IP hosts on the network. Other users may also be the remote operator for this NetEx/IP. See "Enabling the Remote Operator Service" for more information. Security features are provided.

New Features

NetEx/IP release 7.0 continues to provide support for standard IP networks that was introduced in Release 5.0. Release 6.0 introduced enhancements to this support by introducing NetEx/IP protocol extensions (referred to as Type 4 protocol), that provide the ability for NetEx/IP to dynamically maximize the network performance, based on factors such as available bandwidth, distance, and workload on the network. (This protocol type is not yet supported.)

Basic I/O Flow

Figure 1 shows the basic I/O flow between two programs using host based NetEx/IP. The calling program communicates with NetEx/IP through the NetEx/IP user interface. NetEx/IP then uses the available network hardware to communicate with the calling program on the other processor.

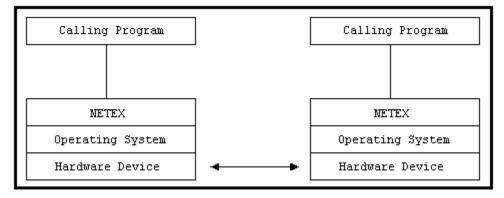


Figure 1. Basic I/O Flow

Host Based NetEx

Host based NetEx exists on the machine as a subsystem (a separate program residing in a machine that all other users in the machine can call on to perform services). User tasks produce a NetEx request that is delivered to the independent NetEx program using an inter-task communications facility provided by the host operating system. Data is moved so it is present in the NetEx program and the I/O is performed in the NetEx program.

Host based NetEx provides an administrative capability to the system programmers and system managers. Since all I/O is performed by the NetEx program, no data can be introduced on the network without first being checked by NetEx.

Host Based NetEx/IP

NetEx/IP release 7.0 provides support for communicating over standard IP networks. No changes are required to existing NetEx applications, since the Application Programming Interfaces (API's) have not been changed.

NESiGate / NetEx/IP

The NetEx/IP program resides as either LAN Offload or Channel Offload software running in the NESiGate adapter. Only the Hxx7IP NetEx Requester user interface program resides on the host. In this implementation, H267IP the Compaq OpenVMS TCP/IP product, or H367IP the HP Guardian TCPIP product, is used for transport of NetEx requests and buffers between the H267IP (or H367IP) host and the NESiGate adapter or the TNP NetEx.

Chapter 2: NetEx/IP and the ISO Model

In creating NetEx/IP, Network Executive Software followed the guidelines set by the International Standards Organization (ISO) for Open Systems Interconnection (OSI). Open Systems Interconnection refers to the exchange of information among terminal devices, computers, people, and networks, that are open to communication with one another.

The ISO model is composed of seven layers. Each layer interacts only with adjacent layers in the model (see Table 1). By using this modular structure, the internal function of each layer is self-contained and does not affect the functioning of other layers.

Table 1. ISO Model			
Layer	Major Functions		
Application	High level description of data to be transferred and the destination involved		
Presentation	Select data formats and syntax		
Session	Establish session connection, report exceptions, and select routing		
Transport	Manage data transfer and provide NetEx/IP-to-NetEx/IP message delivery		
Network	Point-to-point transfer, error detection, and error recovery		
Data Link	Data link connection, error checking, and protocols		
Physical	Mechanical and electrical protocols and interfaces		

Although each layer physically interacts only with adjacent layers, each layer appears to communicate directly with the corresponding layer of the other model. Figure 2 illustrates this concept.

Application] ←───	Application		
Presentation	←──→	Presentation		
Session	↓	Session		
Transport	←───►	Transport		
Network	↓ ↓	Network		
Data Link	↓ ← → →	Data Link		
Physical	←───►	Physical		
Physical Media (IP or HYPERchannel				

Figure 2. ISO Model Communication

Note: The corresponding layers appear to communicate directly as indicated by the lines with arrows, but actually they communicate only by progressing down through the layers of one model, through the physical media, and up through the layers of the other model.

Figure 3 shows that the hardware and firmware form the lower two layers. NetEx/IP and the driver comprise the next three layers. The NetEx/IP software provides complete session, transport, and network layer interfaces. This leaves the user free to write the application programs that use NetEx/IP or to use Network Executive Software utilities.

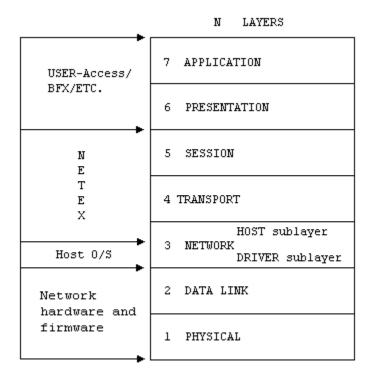


Figure 3. NetEx/IP and the ISO Model

Session Layer Services

As the highest layer within NetEx/IP (referring to the ISO model in Figure 3), the NetEx/IP session layer software provides the general interface to the user's application/utility program. The NetEx/IP session layer services include: program-to-program connection using the best available network path, reading data, writing data, disconnection, and statistics gathering. The user requests these services using a standard NetEx/IP Request Block (NRB) (containing parameters), and the NetEx/IP requests described in "NetEx/IP Session Services". The session layer software implements user requests by requesting services from the underlying transport layer.

Transport Layer Services

The transport layer provides the actual data movement services for NetEx/IP. This is an internal layer used only by the session service code, not the end user. It transmits and receives user data, along with internal protocol information, to provide fast, efficient communications over the network. The transport layer accomplishes its function by performing services for the session layer software above it and by requesting services of the network layer below it.

The transport software manages the network path chosen by the session software. The session user does not need to be concerned with the actual hardware and software used to transmit data, nor with NetEx/IP-to-NetEx/IP message delivery. The transport layer sets up hardware and software tables, provides buffering, and establishes linkages to manage the flow of information. Also, the protocol used by the transport layer software provides true full-duplex communications between subsystems, permitting asynchronous reads and writes. Because the transport layer provides a full-duplex operation, data can flow continuously, as long as it is being supplied by the user. This keeps the communications link as busy as possible and assures timely arrival of data to the user.

Network Layer Services

The network layer software provides link independence for the higher layers of NetEx/IP and assumes responsibility for keeping the network interfaces busy. This is an internal layer used only by the internal transport service, not the end user. The network layer formats the message proper to route the data through the network. If the protocol information overflows the HYPERchannel message proper, the network layer splits the data transmissions into two driver requests. The network layer also multiplexes network connections over common driver connections and manages those driver connections.

Driver Sublayer Services

The driver sublayer software is the interface between the network sublayer and the physical network device. The driver converts network sublayer I/O for a particular network path into a form which is understandable to the devices. The driver delivers and receives network messages and associated data to and from the network adapters. The driver also allows retry and error recovery for network adapters, supports assembly/disassembly, and code conversion options, if these are provided by the adapter type and requested by the user's data mode parameter.

Chapter 3: NetEx/IP Session Services

The user interface to NetEx/IP is a library that provides the user with access to the session and driver layer functions of NetEx/IP. Programming at the other levels of NetEx/IP (transport or network) is not supported.

To communicate using the session layer of NetEx/IP, the calling programs (that is, the programs that are calling NetEx/IP) must first establish a session connection. Once the session is established, data transfer may take place in a variety of ways, depending on the needs of the calling programs. One important feature of NetEx/IP is that the transport uses internal error checking and error recovery procedures. Once NetEx/IP accepts data, at the session or transport level, the user is assured of its delivery (with the possible exception of catastrophic failures – for example, a machine going down or a major problem with the communication line). Sessions may be terminated by either of the parties at any time, although this should be done by mutual agreement.

This chapter explains the concepts of session layer intertask communication using NetEx/IP. The following topics are discussed in this section:

- Session layer requests
- General concept of a session
- Establishing a session
- Data transfer process
- Terminating a session
- Handling multiple connections
- Satellite communication
- Error Recovery procedures
- Code Conversion

Session Layer Requests

There are eight requests used by programs to call NetEx/IP at the session level. These requests must be issued in a logical order according to rules described in the following paragraphs. These requests and a table called the NetEx Request Block (NRB) are the programmer's interface to NetEx/IP. The NRB is updated by the calling program when the program issues requests (either directly or via NetEx/IP), and it is updated by NetEx/IP when requests are completed by NetEx/IP. The NRB is described in the chapter "Chapter 4: NetEx Request Block".

The NetEx/IP session requests, listed in the approximate order in which they are issued, are as follows.

SOFFER

This command makes a calling program using NetEx/IP available to another program on either a remote or local host.

SCONNECT

This command requests a session with a calling program that previously issued an SOFFER. The program may insert values defining characteristics of the upcoming session in the NRB when this re-

quest is issued. This request may also write data to the offering program provided this data does not exceed the maximum segment size specified on either the sending or receiving NetEx/IP.

SCONFIRM

This command is the last step to establish the session. The host which initially issued the SOFFER replies to a SCONNECT with the SCONFIRM request if the characteristics of the session (for example, data block size, etcetera) specified in the SCONNECT are accepted. This request may also write data to the connecting program provided this data does not exceed the maximum segment size specified on either the sending or receiving NetEx/IP.

SWRITE

This command sends data to the other program. The SWRITE request may only be used after a session has been properly established. The SWRITE request is an asynchronous service (the user is free to continue when NetEx/IP accepts the SWRITE). A datamode may be specified to invoke code conversion and data assembly or disassembly.

SREAD

This command receives data that has been written by another program. The SREAD request is also used to accept indicators such as SCONFIRM, and DISCONNECT. The SREAD request is an asynchronous service, so the user may continue when NetEx/IP accepts the SREAD Request.

SWAIT

This command is specified as part of a request or as a separate request, SWAIT suspends processing on the issuing program until NetEx/IP completes the specified request(s). For SWRITE, SCLOSE, SCONNECT, SCONFIRM, or SDISCONNECT requests, NetEx/IP accepts the request quickly and the issuing program can consider the request complete. For SREAD and SOFFER requests, the request does not complete until the other program issues a SWRITE, SCLOSE, SCONNECT, SCONFIRM, or SDISCONNECT request.

SCLOSE

This command is the last write operation for a connection. The SCLOSE request is issued to gracefully terminate a connection. It may contain data just like a WRITE request, but it also indicates that the sender is ready to terminate the connection. After the SCLOSE is issued, incoming data may continue to be read, but no other messages may be written. When the other party in the connection issues an SCLOSE, the session is terminated.

SDISCONNECT

This command immediately terminates a connected session. The SDISCONNECT request may be issued by either program at any time.

These requests are used during the session as described in the following paragraphs.

General Concept of a Session

Before explaining in detail how each part of a session is programmed, the next paragraph explains the general concept of a simple NetEx/IP session.

Figure 4 shows a sample system configuration. Figure 5 is a simplified example of a session where one program reads data from another.

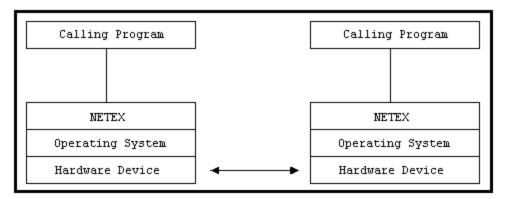
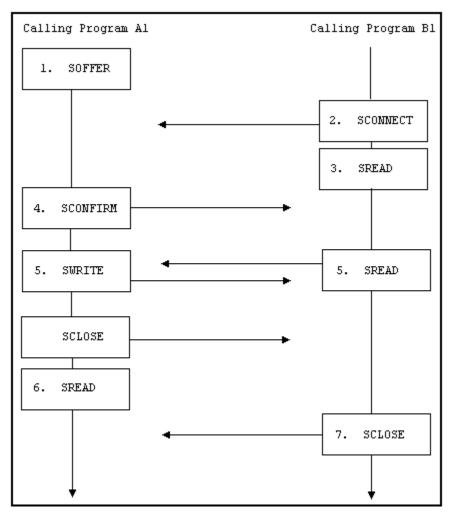
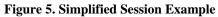


Figure 4. Sample System Configuration





The following text describes the session flow shown here in Figure 5:

- 1. Calling program A1 in host A issues an SOFFER indicating that it is available to service other calling programs.
- 2. Calling program B1 requires a file controlled by program A1. To initiate a data transfer session, program B1 issues an SCONNECT request. This request may contain data to be delivered to the offering program.

- 3. When the SCONNECT completes (is accepted by NetEx/IP), program B1 issues an SREAD to prepare to receive program A1's response to the SCONNECT. (Since the SCONNECT can also transport data, program B1 could issue an SDISCONNECT and terminate the session immediately. In that case, B1 would not know the status of the data transmitted.)
- 4. When the SCONNECT is received by the NetEx/IP in A1's host, the SOFFER completes with a Connect Indication and with B1's SCONNECT data in the buffer associated with A1's SOFFER. If program A1 finds the conditions associated with the SCONNECT acceptable, it responds by returning an SCONFIRM request.

If the program A1 finds any conditions associated with the SCONNECT to be unacceptable, it would SDISCONNECT the session and may return data specifying the reason for the SDISCONNECT. For example, if one program determines the other program does not have the proper security code for data in that database, the session may be disconnected (SDISCONNECT).

The SREAD that program B1 previously issued now indicated program A1's response. If program A1 issued an SCONFIRM, the SREAD will show a Confirm indication along with the data sent with the SCONFIRM. If program A1 issued an SDISCONNECT, the SREAD will complete with a Disconnect indication.

- 5. The programs may now begin the data transfer. Program B1 issues an SREAD to prepare to receive data from program A1. Program A1 writes data to program B1. The SWRITE command is used until the last data is written. An SCLOSE is used to write the last data. Since we are only issuing one write request in this example, the SCLOSE is used.
- 6. After completion of the last data transfer, program A1 issues an SREAD to detect program B1's next request.
- 7. Program B1 issues an SCLOSE and the session is terminated. Both programs may perform disconnect functions (for example, closing files, etcetera). Program A1 could then SOFFER itself as ready for another session.

This is a simplified example of a session. The following sections describe how to program NETEX by describing (in detail) establishing a session, data transfer and terminating a session.

Establishing a Session

Figure 6 is a flow chart showing how a connection is established using the session layer interface. Only steps which may occur in a normal process are shown in the figure. Other possibilities that are less likely to occur are discussed in the accompanying text.

Figure 6 refers to the NRB. The NRB (discussed in chapter 4, NetEx Request Block) is a block of parameters used to signal requests to NetEx/IP and to return status to programs.

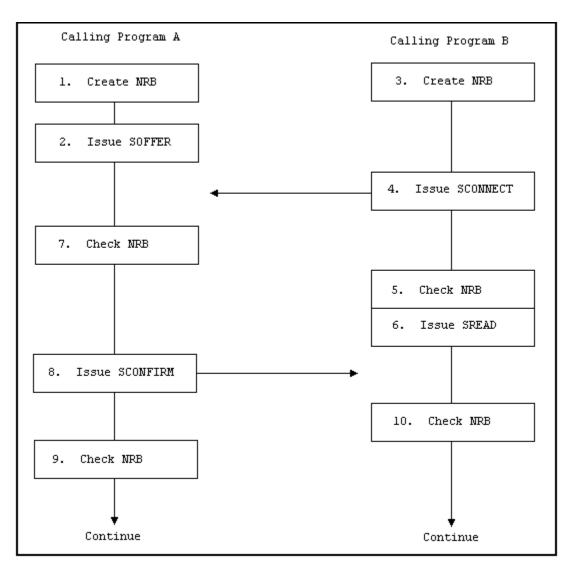


Figure 6. Establishing a Connection

The following numbered items refer to the steps in Figure 6. The steps are numbered to simplify the discussion and do not necessarily represent the exact order in which the events occur.

- 1. Program A prepares for the session by opening files and creating an NRB.
- 2. Program A issues an SOFFER to make it available to other NetEx/IP programs. The SOFFER may specify a data area for data associated with an upcoming SCONNECT.
- 3. Program B is a program that needs to establish a session with program A. Program B must first open files and create its own NRB.
- 4. Program B then issues an SCONNECT. The SCONNECT may contain such data as a password.
- 5. Program B then checks the NRB to determine the status of a request. The NRB indicates whether a request is in progress, whether a request has completed successfully, or whether the request has generated an error.

Figure 6 continues assuming the NRB indicated normal completion. If the NRB indicates that a request is in progress, it would have to be rechecked after a short delay. If the NRB indicates an error, the error code would be logged and the session would not be established. The calling program should then either

try again to establish a session, or should act appropriately (such as closing files that were opened before the session was attempted).

- 6. Program B expects program A to respond to the SCONNECT with an SCONFIRM or an SDISCONNECT. Program B issues an SREAD which would detect program A's response.
- 7. Program A checks its NRB to see whether the SOFFER completes. The NRB indicates that program B has issued an SCONNECT.

If the NRB indicates that an error occurred, program A would act appropriately (which could be disconnecting from this session and reissuing the SOFFER).

A password may be required at this time. The password could be sent as data associated with the SCONNECT. After the SCONNECT is received, the password is examined. The password could be used to restrict access to certain files, restrict access by certain programs, or have other customized uses. If a program attempts to access restricted files or has an incorrect password, program A may issue an SDISCONNECT and terminate the session.

- 8. If all conditions associated with the SCONNECT are acceptable, program A issues an SCONFIRM to establish the session. The SCONFIRM may contain data.
- 9. Program A checks the NRB to make sure that the SCONFIRM was accepted by NetEx/IP. If it was, program A would continue with the session. If NetEx/IP did not accept the SCONFIRM, program A would either retry issuing the SCONFIRM or take other appropriate action.
- 10. Program B checks the NRB to determine if the SREAD has successfully completed and to see what call program A issued. If program A had responded with an SCONFIRM, program B would continue with the session. If program A had responded with an SDISCONNECT, program B would have to examine the reason code associated with the SDISCONNECT, and take the appropriate action.

The previous discussion outlines the rules to be followed when establishing a NetEx/IP session. It also introduces the concept of using the NRB for communication with NetEx/IP. After requests are issued, the NRB is examined to see when NetEx/IP completes the request. This may be done using the SWAIT request, or by periodically checking the NRB fields. The NRB fields are discussed in "Chapter 4: NetEx Request Block".

Data Transfer

Unlike rules for establishing a session, NetEx/IP provides a great deal of flexibility in how session requests are used for the data transfer process. The following paragraphs describe two methods for programming data transfer. The first method is a basic data transfer technique, the second uses the more advanced technique of concurrent SWRITE and SREAD requests.

Write/Read Data Transfer

The following paragraphs describe the session requests that are used to transfer data in a straight-forward way. In general, calling programs use the SREAD and SWRITE requests to perform the data transfer. Figure 7 shows how the calling programs perform the data transfer. SWRITE requests are issued by one program which must be received by an SREAD issued by the other program.

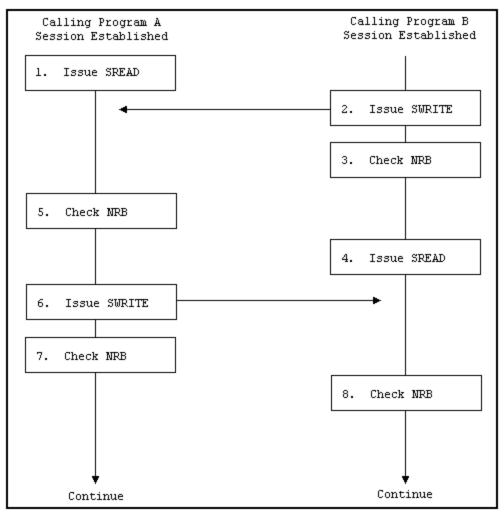


Figure 7. Write/Read Data Transfer

The following numbered items describe the steps in Figure 7. The steps are numbered to simplify the discussion and do not necessarily represent the exact order in which the events occur.

- 1. After a session has been established, program A issues an SREAD. The SREAD specifies the buffer for receiving data.
- 2. Program B issues an SWRITE. The SWRITE specifies where the data to be written is located and how long it is.
- 3. Program B checks the NRB to see if NetEx/IP accepted the SWRITE or indicated an error.

Once NetEx/IP has accepted the data, it will deliver the data unless a catastrophic loss of connection occurs.

- 4. Program B issues an SREAD to detect program A's next request.
- 5. Program A received an updated NRB which indicates what program B has issued. In this case, program B has written data as program A expected. If the NRB word indicated an error, program A would act appropriately.

If program B issued an SDISCONNECT, program A would check the reason for the SDISCONNECT and act appropriately.

- 6. Program A is programmed to SWRITE some data back to program B. Program A issues an SWRITE specifying the location of the data to be written.
- 7. Program A verifies that NetEx/IP accepted the SWRITE by checking the NRB. If the NRB indicates the SWRITE was not accepted, program A would act appropriately.
- 8. Program B checks the NRB and determines what program A issued.

Both programs continue with the data transfer until they have completed their functions.

As when establishing a session, the SWAIT request may be used with other requests. Abnormal terminations are discussed later in this chapter.

Concurrent Write and Read Data Transfer

A more advanced method of data transfer uses read and write requests that are issued without expecting the other calling program to respond immediately. This type of technique is useful for long distance communications, but is also well-suited for local data transfer.

Because NetEx/IP will only accept one request using a specific NRB, two NRBs must be created by each program to perform concurrent read and writes. One NRB is used to establish the session, as previously described, and a second is created before data transfer begins. The second NRB must be created as a copy of the first to ensure that NetEx/IP internal words are preserved.

Figure 8 shows how the programs perform the data transfer. As an example of what work the program is doing, consider the following. Program A first requests data from Program B. Program B then writes data until program A writes an acknowledgement or another message. Notice that program A does not respond to every SWRITE issued by program B. When program A has received what it needs, it terminates the session using the termination procedure discussed later in this chapter.

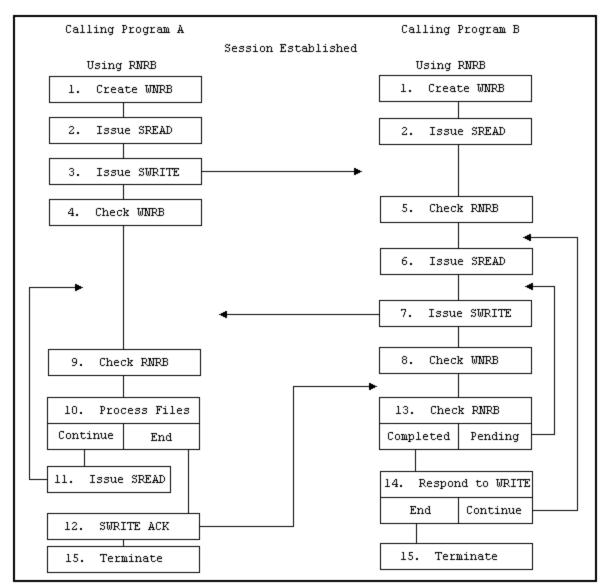


Figure 8. Concurrent SREAD and SWRITE Requests

The following numbered items describe the steps in Figure 8. The steps are numbered to simplify the discussion and do not necessarily represent the exact order which the event occur.

- 1. After a session has been established, both programs create duplicate NRBs for the SWRITE requests. The NRBs created before the sessions were established are assumed to have been called RNRB, and will be used with SREAD requests. New NRBs called WNRB are duplicates of the RNRB that will be used with the SWRITE requests.
- 2. Both programs issue an SREAD request to prepare to receive request from the other program. The RNRB is specified in the SREADs as the place for NetEx/IP to respond to that request.
- 3. Program A issues an SWRITE to program B. The SWRITE contains a request for specific data from program B. The WNRB is specified in the SWRITE as the place for NetEx/IP to respond to that request.
- 4. Program A checks the WNRB to see if NetEx/IP accepted the SWRITE or indicated an error, and acts accordingly.

- 5. Program B, which has been checking the RNRB or waiting for it to complete, received the SWRITE from program A. This SWRITE contains parameters which program B will use to determine what data to send to program A.
- 6. Program B issues another SREAD that will be "floating" while processing continues.
- 7. Program B begins to SWRITE the data requested by program A. The WNRB is specified to monitor the SWRITE requests.
- 8. Program B checks the WNRB to make sure NetEx/IP accepted the SWRITE.
- 9. Program A checks its RNRB and discovers the SWRITE issued by program B.
- 10. Program A processes the files received. If program A has not yet received all the data it asked for in step 3 and wished to continue reading, it jumps to step 11. If program A wishes to respond to program B (to stop the transfer or to request other data), it jumps to step 12 and SWRITEs an appropriate message.
- 11. Program A issues an SREAD to continue receiving information from program B.
- 12. Program A SWRITEs an acknowledgement or a message to program B. Since program B has an SREAD floating, it will receive this SWRITE.
- 13. Program B checks the RNRB. If the SREAD has completed (meaning program A has written something), program B continues with step 14. If the SREAD is still pending (or floating), program B continues WRITING data to program A by jumping back to step 7.
- 14. Program B responds to program A's SWRITE. This response could include starting to transmit other data
- 15. The session is terminated normally when program A has received all the data it wanted, or by special request of one of the programs.

The previous example demonstrates the technique of using SREAD and SWRITE requests when using this technique.

One-Way Data Transfer

A typical use of NetEx/IP is a one-way data transfer. Figure 9 shows how a one-way data transfer could take place. Programs A and B establish a session as described earlier in this section. Program A, which will receive data, creates a single NRB. Program B, which will send data, creates an RNRB (for monitoring SREAD requests) and a duplicate WNRB (for monitoring SWRITE requests).

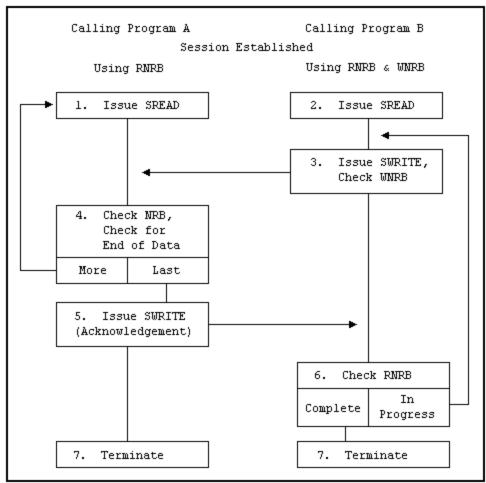


Figure 9. One-Way Data Transfer

The following numbered items describe the steps in Figure 9. The steps are numbered to simplify the discussion and do not necessarily represent the exact order in which the events occur.

- 1. Program A issues an SREAD request to prepare to receive data.
- 2. Program B issues an SREAD request to receive unexpected SWRITEs from program A. For example, if program A were unable to receive more data, it could notify program B using a previously determined set of indicators. Normally, this SREAD would not complete until all the information has been transferred.
- 3. Program B issues an SWRITE to transfer data to program A. An 'End of Data' indicator is placed in the data field with the last piece of information. Program B checks the WNRB to see if NetEx/IP accepted the SWRITE or indicated an error, and acts accordingly.
- 4. Program A checks the NRB to see if the SREAD completed. If it did not complete, program A continues to check it. When the SREAD completes, program A processes the incoming information, and checks for the 'End of Data' indicator. If there is more data coming (indicator not set), program A issues another SREAD (step 1). If this is the last piece of information, program A continues with step 5.
- 5. Program A issues an SWRITE acknowledging that all of the information has been received. (NetEx/IP has verified the integrity of the data.)
- 6. Program B checks the RNRB. If it is still in progress (because program A has not written anything), program B jumps back to step 3 and SWRITEs more data. If all data has been written, program B will issue an SWAIT to suspend execution until program A returns a response. When the RNRB completes, pro-

gram B checks the data written by program A. Normally, this would be an acknowledgement of the last piece of data. In that case, program B would continue with step 7. If a problem is encountered, program B acts accordingly.

7. Program B terminates the session.

In the previous example, SWAIT requests may be used freely by program A, but should generally be used only after SWRITE requests by program B. An SWAIT could be issued by program B to wait on the RNRB after all data has been written.

Terminating A Session

NetEx/IP sessions can terminate either normally or abnormally. A normal termination is planned by the programs involved. An abnormal termination is any unplanned termination of the session.

Normal Termination

Figure 10 shows the exchange of session calls associated with normal (planned) termination. The steps are numbered to simplify the discussion and do not necessarily represent the exact order in which the events occur.

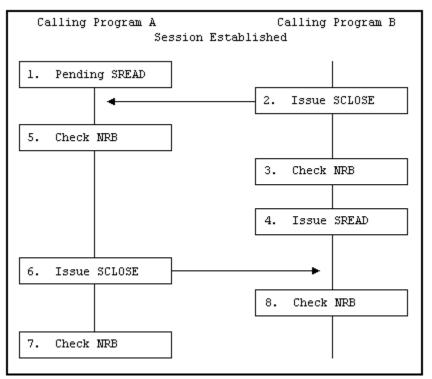


Figure 10. Normal Session Termination

The following numbered items refer to the steps in Figure 10.

- 1. Program A has a previously issued SREAD pending.
- 2. Program B issues an SCLOSE. The SCLOSE takes the same form as an SWRITE request.
- 3. Program B checks the NRB to verify that the SCLOSE was accepted by NetEx/IP. If it was accepted, program B may close output files or perform other termination processing. No other NetEx/IP write-type requests (except SDISCONNECT) may be issued by program B during this session. If the SCLOSE is

not accepted, Program B must act appropriately (check if NetEx/IP is down or if the other application is not there).

- 4. Program B issues an SREAD. Program A may still write data to program B, or program A may issue an SCLOSE or an SDISCONNECT to terminate the session.
- 5. Program A detects the SCLOSE.
- 6. Program A issues an SCLOSE to terminate the session. Data may be associated with this request. Program A may issue any number of SWRITE requests before the SCLOSE.
- 7. Program A checks the NRB to make sure that the SCLOSE completed successfully. Program A closes files and performs other termination processing.
- 8. The SREAD issued by program B completes and the NRB indicates that the session has been terminated. Program B closes files and performs other termination processing.

Abnormal Session Termination

The program must be able to react to abnormal terminations. Sessions may be abnormally terminated by the other program or by NetEx/IP.

Sessions may be unexpectedly terminated by the other program for various reasons depending on how the program is written. Some typical reasons for immediate terminations are as follows:

- A program fails to provide the proper password or authorization for a session
- A program attempts to access data that it was not authorized to access.
- The program detected an internal failure such as a program check.
- A time limit was reached
- A program encountered problems issuing a request to NETEX.

Some of these problems may be overcome by reconnecting with the calling program.

NetEx/IP may terminate a session unexpectedly because of problems with the physical network or with a host computer. This type of error may not necessarily be solved by simply reconnecting with this host. Alternatives should be provided in the calling program.

Programming Notes

The following sections provide supplemental information intended to make programming NetEx/IP simpler:

- Handling Multiple Connections
- Service Wait Options
- Satellite Communication
- Error Recovery Procedures
- Code Conversion Options

Handling Multiple Connections

NetEx/IP provides the capability for a program to be simultaneously connected to more than one other calling program. Requests coming from different connections are identified using the NRBNREF word of the NRB.

NRBNREF contains a unique number assigned to a connection when it is established. The capability to handle multiple connections enables the programmer to establish database server and requester programs.

Database server programs allow a network of hosts to use each other's databases. A database server program simply OFFERs itself to other hosts. When another host (requester) establishes a connection, the server SREADs or SWRITEs files to or from its database as specified by the requester.

Database server programs may issue multiple offers (SOFFER) by specifying a different NRB with each SOFFER. The offers (SOFFER) are completed in the order that they are issued. Many users on one machine may issue multiple OFFERs if each is generated as if it were an individual host.

Program B in the concurrent write/read example (Figure 8) is an example of a simple database server. Program B SWRITEs the files program A requests, and then waits for more instructions. More sophisticated database servers could allow themselves to connect to several requesters at one time.

Program A in Figure 8 is a simple example of a database requester.

Service WAIT Options

On each session call the user has the option to wait or not to wait for the request to complete. If the waiting is desired then the "W' form of the call should be used. The User Request Manager will issue the wait on the users' behalf and return control to the user when the NRB is posted.

The SWAIT request may be used to wait on a single NRB, a list of NRBs or may be used to wait on 0 NRBs. The way to use the wait request depends on the situation.

- If servicing a single connection where data moves logically in only one direction, use the wait option on the requests.
- If servicing multiple simultaneous connections, or a single connection where data flows both ways, use SWAIT(n) to wait on a list of NRBs.
- When servicing both NetEx/IP and real-time applications, use SWAIT(0) to wait on 0 NRBs, then check the real-time device. When issuing an SWAIT on 0 NRBs, check the NRBSTAT fields of the NRBs for the requests that you are interested in.
- NetEx/IP also needs to get control to update NRBs and send them back to the user through cross-memory services. Therefore, SWAIT(0) is important for host based NETEX.
- Another way to wait for any NRB to complete, without specifying each NRB on the call, is to use SWAIT(-1). This form of wait will return to the user only when an NRB has completed. This differs from SWAIT(0), which may return without an NRB completing.

The following points apply to waiting:

- A request cannot be marked complete until it is waited on.
- The NRB and the data buffer cannot be reused until the request is complete.

Satellite Communication

The standard NetEx/IP requests may be used when satellite communication facilities are a part of the network. NetEx/IP was designed and implemented with the capability to recover from errors and lost messages using protocols which make the solving of these problems transparent to the user.

IMPORTANT: Because of the long propagation delay inherent in the satellite subsystem (approximately 450ms round trip), the communications channel must be kept "full" of data. This is done by using concurrent SREADs and SWRITEs which transmit data in large amounts before having the writing application stop to

wait for an acknowledgement from the reading application. In this way, data is transmitted rapidly and the propagation delay has less effect on performance. (This technique requires a large buffer area.)

For example, if the calling programs acknowledge every block written in one direction with a corresponding acknowledgement written in the other direction, the propagation delay would have major impact. But, if an entire file is transmitted before an acknowledgement is returned, the effect of the propagation delay is minimized.

Minimizing the effect of the delay in this manner must be balanced with the consideration that if there is a catastrophic failure of the link, NetEx/IP, or the other host, there is no way to know how much unacknowl-edged data was successfully received.

Determining the frequency of the checkpoint acknowledgements is an important consideration. This decision must be made by considering the needs of individual implementations.

NetEx/IP Error Recovery Procedures

Calling programs must be able to recover from errors identified by NetEx/IP. These errors will be returned when a NetEx/IP operation does not complete successfully. The following paragraphs describe the NetEx/IP error codes and some common error recovery procedures.

Error Codes

Whenever a NetEx/IP request is issued, the results of the request are returned in one or both of two NRB fields, NRBSTAT and NRBIND. These are located at the beginning of the NRB to make their subsequent examination by high level language programs a simple matter.

NRBSTAT indicates whether an operation is in progress and whether it completed successfully or not. NRBIND indicates the type of information that arrived as the result of a read-type command (SREAD or SOFFER).

When an operation is accepted by the NetEx/IP user interface, the value of NRBSTAT is set to the local value of -1. Thus, the sign of this word is an "operation in progress" flag for all implementations.

If an operation completed successfully, NRBSTAT will be returned as all zeroes. If a read-type command was issued, then an "indication" will be set in NRBIND when the SREAD completes.

If the operation did not complete successfully, the NRBSTAT will contain a standard error code. NRBSTAT is represented as a decimal number that is potentially as large as 2^{15} –1(32,767) The 2^{16} bit is not used so that it may remain an "in progress" flag for the 16 bit machines. The error codes are listed and described in appendix A.

Common Error Recovery Procedures

The following items are some commonly encountered errors and an explanation of how to recover from them.

- Other program not there Operators or users must coordinate the running of the two NetEx/IP programs so that one has not timed out before the other has had a chance to establish a session.
- Other program busy Retry NetEx/IP after a suitable delay.
- NetEx/IP requests out of sequence Sessions must be completely established before write or read requests can be issued. Sessions are established using the offer, connect, and confirm requests in that order.

Code Conversion

NetEx/IP provides for common types of code conversion by using NetEx/IP software facilities. The calling program uses the datamode (NRBDMODE) word of the NRB to specify code conversion. The caller simply specifies the source character set and the destination character set. NetEx/IP then performs code conversion using software as necessary.

Chapter 4: NetEx Request Block

The NetEx Request Block (NRB) is a block of parameters used to pass information between calling programs and NetEx/IP. The NRB is the means by which programs and NetEx/IP communicate with one another. The NRB is created by a calling program and may be updated by the program to pass information to NetEx/IP, or NetEx/IP may update the NRB to pass information to a program.

Each time a program makes a request to NetEx/IP, the program specifies an NRB to be associated with the request. NetEx/IP passes status information about that request back to the program via the NRB. Therefore, only one NetEx/IP request may use an NRB at one time. If concurrent read and write requests are used, or if a server program will be connected to more than one program at a time, several NRBs must be used.

The use of the NRB fields vary slightly between the different levels of programmer interface. Specific differences are described in the individual field descriptions that follow.

Rules for NRB Usage

The following principles are designed to make high level language usage of NetEx/IP somewhat transportable between machines.

- Before initiating a connection, the user must clear the NRB, including the OS dependent portion, to zeroes. When the connection is initiated, the user places whichever non-default values are needed in the user part of the NRB, and invokes NetEx/IP service. Once the connection is initiated, the user must not change the OS dependent part of the NRB between calls to NetEx/IP.
- If the calling program is using the connection in a full duplex manner, the user will need to make a copy of the NRB to produce a "read NRB" and a "write NRB." This copying operation is the copying of all 40 words of the NRB to another area, at a time when the NRB being copied is not active. If a second request for the same connection is issued from the copied NRB, the user interface must detect the condition and handle the new part of the connection accordingly.
- Many NRB values are specified in addressable units. An addressable unit is the amount of information contained in one memory location for that machine. For example, a Unisys Computer Systems 2200 is 36 bits, IBM systems are generally eight bits, etc.
- For multi-threaded implementations, if a session is to be shared between threads, you must insure that each thread has its own copy(ies) of the NRB made while no NetEx/IP calls for that NRB are active. This rule may be broken only if you 'gate' the use of the NRB.

NRB Fields

Figure 11 shows the fields in the NRB. Most NRB fields are one long word (32 bits), or two words if the length is 16 bits. The NRB contains 40 fields.

Many of the NRB fields are, or could be, updated by either program or NetEx/IP with every request. However, the fields NRBCLASS, NRBMAXRT, NRBBLKI, NRBBLKO, NRBRSV, NRBOFFER, and NRBHOST are associated with the session negotiation process. Information in these fields is updated by NetEx/IP as their values change. These fields are initially specified during the OFFER and CONNECT requests. When the SCONFIRM is sent, the negotiated values are set in the NRB associated with the read of the SCONFIRM information. Subsequent attempts to change these fields will have no effect. NRB fields may be referenced by Assembler programs using the names shown in Figure 11 if the NTXNRB macro is used. Otherwise, the NRB fields must be referenced using the index numbers shown on the left side of Figure 11.

1	nrbstat	NetEx/IP request status returned to user
2	nrbind	Data type indication from OFFER/READ
3	nrblen	Length of data
4	nrbubit	Unused bit count
5	nrbreq	User request code
6	nrbnref	NetEx/IP reference number identifying connection
7	nrbbufa	Starting address of user's buffer
8	nrbbufl	Length of user's buffer
9	nrbdmode	Datamode for Write request
10	nrbtime	Request timeout in seconds
11	nrbclass	Class of service
12	nrbmaxrt	Maximum data rate permitted
13	nrbblki	Maximum buffer size for input requests
14	nrbblko	Maximum buffer size for output requests
15	nrbprota	Address of Odata
16	nrbprotl	Length of Odata
17	nrbresv1	Reserved
18	nrbresv2	Reserved
19	nrboffer	(Session Level) Offer name (8 bytes)
21	nrbhost	(Session Level) Remote hostname (8 bytes)
23	nrbresv3	Reserved
24	nrbuser	User field: not processed by NetEx/IP
25-40	nrbosd	Reserved (operating system dependent data)
	Figur	e 11 NetEx Request Block (NRR) Words

Figure 11. NetEx Request Block (NRB) Words

The following paragraphs describe the fields in the NRB shown in Figure 11.

NRBSTAT

NRBSTAT contains a summary of the request issued by the user. If the request is currently in progress, the entire field contains a -1 (all ones). If the request completed successfully, the NRBSTAT is 0. If the request was unsuccessful (NetEx/IP or the service routine detected an error), NRBSTAT contains a binary representation of a decimal error code. The meanings of the error codes are described in Appendix A.

The implementation user interface must be constructed so that a program polling NRBSTAT (to determine if the request as successful) proceeds to examine the error code if a positive value is found in NRBSTAT.

A request is marked complete only after one of the following conditions is met:

- A WAIT option was integrated into the service call.
- An SWAIT request has been issued where one of the NRBs on the SWAIT list is the NRB specified.
- Any NetEx/IP service call is issued, and the NetEx/IP service finds that the request has completed recently.

NRBIND

NRBIND indicates the type of data received in response to a read, offer, or status request. If any of those read-type requests are issued, NRBIND will always receive a nonzero value.

The values returned in NRBIND are defined as follows:

INDCONNECT (1) – Connect indication

INDCONFIRM (2) – Confirm indication

INDDATA (3) – Normal data indication

INDEXPDATA (4) – Expedited data

INDCLOSE (5) – Close indication

INDDISCONNECT (6) – Disconnect indication

INDSTATUS (7) – Status Indication

If a write-type request (write, connect, confirm, close, or disconnect) is issued, the returned value of NRBIND is usually zero. If an error is returned to the write-type request, that means the connection is broken or was never established. If an error is returned to the write-type request, then a Disconnect Indication (6) is set in NRBSTAT.

If an operation did not complete successfully, then NRBSTAT will be set to a positive, nonzero value. If NRBSTAT is nonzero, then NRBIND will have one of the following values:

- If the error results in the loss of the connection or the connection not being established in the first place, then a Disconnect Indication (6) will be in NRBIND.
- If the error means that the request could not be processed but the connection remains in effect, then NRBIND will be set to zero.

NRBLEN and NRBUBIT

NRBLEN and NRBUBIT together define the amount of useful data for input and output. NRBLEN specifies the number of addressable units that are needed to contain the data. NRBUBIT specifies the number of bits in the last addressable unit that are not significant information. This allows information to be sent on the network on a logical bit basis without damaging the data.

For example, suppose a Unisys computer wished to send exactly 75 of its 36-bit words to an IBM processor and wished it returned at a later date. The Unisys user would specify NRBLEN=75 and NRBUBIT=0. Datamode would be bit stream. NetEx/IP would record 75*36=2700 bits of information was sent over the network. The IBM user would receive the information with NRBLEN=338 (bytes) (8*338=2704 bits) and NRBUBIT=4 (bits). The IBM user could later specify the same length parameters on output and return precisely 75 words back to the Unisys system.

Note: Those programs that do not need the NRBUBIT can simply ignore its existence, knowing that simply handling the information specified by NRBLEN will ensure that all information sent by the other machine will be stored or processed.

Transmitting or receiving zero-length information is possible. Zero-length data is treated as a separate transmission and is received at the other end in chronological order (as is any other data). On both the transmit and receive sides, NRBLEN will be set to zero.

If NRBUBIT is none-zero, the unused bits are not set to zero or any other value by NetEx/IP. The calling program must handle any "garbage" that may be placed in the last word of the transfer.

NRBREQ

NRBREQ is the request code that will be given to NetEx/IP. This is a 16-bit binary value that contains the type of request (example: SREAD) that NetEx/IP is to perform.

NRBREQ has the following format:



Option Flags refers to optional processing that NetEx/IP will perform on the request. These flags are bit significant. The bits are assigned (represented as hexadecimal numbers) as follows:

0xxx - Normal processing. NetEx/IP will return control to the caller as soon as it has internally queued the request.

1xxx to 7xxx - Reserved

8xxx - WAIT. NetEx/IP or the NetEx/IP user interface is not to return control to the user program until the request is complete.

9xxx to Fxxx - Reserved

Service Level indicates whether the request is a SESSION, TRANSPORT, NETWORK, or DRIVER type of request. The values are assigned (in hexadecimal) as follows:

- **x0xx** Session request
- x1xx Transport request
- x2xx Network request
- x3xx Driver request
- x4xx to xExx Reserved

xFxx - Reserved (affects Function values)

Function indicates the specific type of request to be issued. The values are assigned (in hexadecimal) as follows:

xx01 - Connect (valid for S, T, N, and D levels)

- xx02 Confirm (valid for S, T, N, and D levels)
- xx03 Write (valid for S, T, N, and D levels)
- **xx04** Reserved
- **xx05** Close (valid for S and T levels)

xx06 - Disconnect (valid for S, T, N, and D levels)
xx07 to xx80 - Reserved
xx81 - Offer (valid for S, T, and N levels)
xx82 - Read
xx83 - Status
xx84 to xxFF - Reserved

The total request code is produced by combining the Option, Function, and Service Level. For example, consider SREAD with wait processing. Wait processing is 8xxx, SREAD is a x0xx Service Level plus a xx82 Function. This totals a 8082_{16} request code.

NRBNREF

NRBNREF is the 16-bit, internal NetEx/IP identifier that distinguishes this connection from all others maintained by this copy of NetEx/IP. When initial connect or offer requests are made at the Driver level, this field must be filled in by the caller. If issued at the Session level, this value is assigned by NetEx/IP when a connection is established.

NRBBUFA

NRBBUFA contains the start of the data buffer to be used for either input or output requests. The user must supply a valid buffer address before each input or output request. For a write request, the contents of this buffer must be left unchanged until the associated NetEx/IP write type request has completed. If a read request is issued, then the contents of the buffer should be examined when the read request completes successfully.

NRBBUFL

On input, NRBBUFL specifies the maximum size of the Pdata (ordinary data) that NetEx/IP can store in the buffer. This field is effectively ignored on output (NRBLEN and NRBUBIT are used to determine the actual length of output data). This usage difference allows a NetEx/IP user to associate an NRB with a single buffer and never change this field even if many READs and WRITEs are issued. NRBBUFL is specified in addressable units.

NRBDMODE

NRBDMODE is specified by the transmitting NetEx/IP program on any write-type request (connect, confirm, write, close, or disconnect) that is issued at the session, transport, network, or driver level. It is always specified as a 16-bit quantity. Datamode is forwarded through all layers of NetEx/IP. When the receiving entity received the data, the datamode specified by the transmitter (with possible modifications as described below) is inserted into the NRB associated with the receiving SREAD or SOFFER request.

Datamode supports two basic modes: manual and auto datamode.

Manual Datamode

Manual datamode allows complete specification of the assembly/disassembly and code conversion functions on both output and input. In the manual datamode, the caller has total control over the facilities. The user must determine which assembly/disassembly modes and code conversion tables are meaningful to the two ends involved in the transfer.

The datamode field is always in the "datamode" field of the drive protocol information to assist this incoming driver function. When the data is received, each driver calculates the amount of useful information received based on the incoming A/D mode specified and passes it up to the user read request. The read NRB will contain exactly the same datamode field as specified by the transmitter when the original message was sent.

Manual datamode has the following format:

1	Outgoing A/D	Outgoing Code Conv	0	Incoming A/D 	Incoming Code Conv
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'1' is the high order bit is the manual mode indicator

Outgoing A/D indicates the data assembly/disassembly to be performed on data as it goes out onto the network. This information is added to the "transmit data" function code when the user data goes over the network.

Outgoing Code Conv indicates the code conversion to be performed on data as it goes out onto the network. This information is added to the "transmit data" function code when the user data goes over the network.

'0' in the high order bit of the low order byte is the manual mode indicator.

Incoming A/D indicates the data assembly /disassembly to be performed on data as it goes from the network to the receiving program. This information is added to the "input data" function code when the receiving driver gets the message from the network.

Incoming Code Conv indicates the code conversion to be performed on data as it goes from the network to the receiving program. This information is added to the "input data" function code when the receiving driver gets the message from the network. This field will only be used if the receiving host-processor adapter supports code conversion.

Auto Datamode

Auto datamode is designed for all common NetEx/IP transfers. When auto datamode is selected, the user identifies the source and destination character sets, and NetEx/IP selects the appropriate assembly/disassembly and code conversion. NetEx/IP will perform code conversion only when the selected conversion is meaningful to the receiving machine

Auto datamode supports three conversion options.

Bit Stream where the bit pattern sent is precisely reproduced in the destination machine.

Octet where eight-bit binary quantities are sent from one machine to another, using an eight-bit byte representation appropriate to each machine.

Character where character information is sent from one machine to another with a full range of character assembly and code conversion options.

The conversion options are selected in the NRBDMODE field. The auto datamode has the following format in the NRBDMODE field:



'0' in the high order bit is the auto mode indicator.

Source Character Set indicates the conversion option of the data used in the write buffer of the transmitter.

'0' in the high bit of the low order byte is reserved.

Destination Character Set indicates the conversion option of the data going to the destination program. For example, a conversion from EBCDIC (3) to ASCII(2) would be entered as a hexadecimal value of 0302 or decimal value of 770.

Indicator	Conversion Option
0	Bit stream mode
1	Octet Mode
2	ASCII (8 bit)
3	EBCDIC
4	Reserved
5	BCD (Honeywell)
6	Field-data (Unisys)
7	Display code (CDC)

The processing rules for auto datamode are as follows:

- The transmitting driver examines the source character set specified. The character set implicitly specifies the method used to represent those characters on the transmitting machine. The driver selects an A/D mode so those characters will be each sent over the network as an eight-bit quantity. If the code conversion memory is installed, the transmitting driver will select a code conversion function to hardware convert the character set before the information is sent over the network. If code conversion is used, the transmitting driver sets the source character set to the value of the destination character set in the datamode field of the outgoing message proper.
- The receiving driver always reads a message proper in "octet" mode. By examining the datamode field and determining that character data is being sent, it selects an A/D mode to convert the eight-bit quantities coming over the network to the bit configuration used by the destination character set. If code conversion hardware is installed and the source character set does not equal the destination character set in the message proper then the data is code converted on input. Following such conversion, the source character set field in datamode is set to the destination character set value before the datamode is passed up to the receiving caller.
- If neither end has hardware code conversion, and the character sets in the datamode field are still not equal, then software code conversion is performed and the two fields are set equal.
- If the incoming driver determines that the destination character set is not "meaningful" on it own host, then it treats the incoming character set as "octet mode" data and provides the user with the data along with an error code in NRBSTAT indicating that the data was "damaged."
- If the destination character set is a six-bit code, code conversion hardware is required on the interface for the six-bit character machine.

NRBTIME

NRBTIME specifies the length of elapsed time that the associated read-type command is to remain in effect. If a time interval equal to the number of seconds in NRBTIME has elapsed, and no data or connection information has arrived to satisfy the READ or OFFER, then the request will end with an error.

If the value in NRBTIME is "0", then the request will wait indefinitely.

NRBCLASS

NRBCLASS is a connection-negotiation parameter that defines the class of service (the type of protocol that will be used by the connection service). The current definition of class is as follows:

- **0** Use class determined by the Network Configuration Table (NCT).
- 1 Use Version 1 NetEx/IP protocol. This protocol is no longer supported.
- 2 Use Version 2 NetEx/IP protocol. This protocol is used in Release 2 and above NetEx/IP products.
- 4 Use Version 4 NetEx/IP protocol. This protocol is supported by NetEx/IP Versions 6 and above.

All other values (or values that are not supported for a particular implementation) will return a "class not implemented" error.

When an offer or connect completes, the value of this field should contain the protocol version actually negotiated. If session services are requested, then the default returned may depend on the protocol desired by the remote host as determined in the local Network Configuration Table.

NRBMAXRT

NRBMAXRT (maximum rate) is a connection negotiation parameter that specifies the maximum data rate possible for the connection. NRBMAXRT is used for Session and Transport levels only. These levels are not discussed in this manual. This field is for informational purposes only on the session layer.

The NRBMAXRT value is based on the user's specification or the physical characteristics of the links between the two NetEx/IP calling programs. This field is designed for those applications that wish to make limited use of communications media between destinations.

The units of this field are expressed as a 16-bit positive quantity giving the speed of the link in 1000's of bits per second. Thus, a connection using a terrestrial link adapter whose line speed was generated as 230K bits per second would have 230 placed in this field.

Note: The NRBMAXRT and the throttling concept only directly apply to the transmitting portion of a given connection. The other party in the connection may be working with completely different throttling parameters and the corresponding program will have no direct way of knowing the remote transmitter's data rate parameters.

On completion of the offer or confirm request, this field will have a nonzero value that contains the maximum throughput that is possible to the connection, based on the user's original request and the characteristics of the communications link between the two.

NRBBLKI and NRBBLKO

NRBBLKI and NRBBLKO are connection negotiation parameters that specify the maximum amount of data that the calling program expects to read or write at one time during the coming connection. This parameter should be provided with the connect or offer request. During the protocol negotiation process, the NRBBLKI of one program will be compared with the NRBBLKO (output maximum buffer size) specified at the other end, and the lesser of the two values will be returned in the two respective fields.

For the connecting program, the negotiated results will be returned in the NRB along with the confirm data read following the connect. The offering program will receive the negotiated values on completion of the offer and hence may decide if the negotiated values are acceptable for the work at hand.

The NetEx/IP installation systems programmer must supply two values controlling these buffer sizes. First, the default input and output block sizes to be used if these are not specified (left zero) by the caller. Secondly, the maximum input and output block sizes permitted by the installation.

As an example of the block negotiation process: Program A issues a connect with NRBBLKI=256 and NRBBLKO=4096. The offering program B to which A will connect specifies 64K for both, allowing the connector to set any reasonable value in these fields. When the offer completes, B sees NRBBLKO=256 and NRBBLKI=4096, the minimum of the two sets of values. When A's read following the connect completes, it will see NRBBLKI=256 and NRBBLKO=4096, which are the same values as B with the directions reversed.

If the connection established is a network or driver level connection then NRBBLKO and NRBBLKI may be adjusted to reflect the maximum size of data block that may be sent as a datagram on the path specified by the connect. If the application negotiated size is smaller than the maximum NPDU size, then the negotiated parameters will be unchanged. If the maximum NPDU size is smaller, then this maximum size will be returned in both NRBBLKI and NRBBLKO.

Two default options are available with these fields. If a zero is specified in either one of these fields, then the value used for negotiation will be an installation supplied default that is provided at NetEx/IP installation time. If the value in this field is the machine representation of -1, then the size used for negotiation will be the maximum size available for that installation, which is also a parameter specified at initialization time. Note that the values implied using zero or -1 will be used for negotiation of the connection block sizes. The actual size negotiated will be supplied in these fields on completion of the connect of offer.

NRBPROTA and NRBPROTL

The NRBPROTA and NRBPROTL are connection negotiation parameters that permit the application to provide Odata to the called layer of NetEx/IP. NRBPROTA specifies the address of the buffer containing the Odata, and NRBPROTL specifies the number of octets of Odata in that buffer.

When a write-type command is issued, the Odata provided (if any) will be added to the message, and eventually delivered as Odata to the receiving application's read type command. As a result, this is a second buffer that is handled in a similar way to the Pdata that is specified by NRBBUFA and NRBLEN/NRBUBIT. There are some distinct differences that are as follows:

Odata is always sent and received in "octet mode," which means it will be represented in the best way that the particular host can handle strings of eight-bit binary quantities, (for example, 1/byte, 4/36-bit word, etc.).

The maximum amount of Odata that may be sent is limited. The maximum is installation dependent and may typically be 256 bytes or less. Each version of NetEx/IP will have a generated maximum on the number of bytes of Odata that it is prepared to accept in incoming messages. In the Session level, the maximum amount of Odata that may be sent or received will be the minimum of the Odata sizes generated on each host.

Users should be warned that sending excessive amounts of Odata with normal transmissions may result in a multiple network messages, which will increase network traffic and decrease network performance, often by a factor of two.

Note: Not all implementations of NetEx/IP support the use of Odata. No Network Executive Software utilities use Odata. Consult Network Executive Software personnel before using Odata to determine if it is available.

On a write-type operation, no Odata will be sent if NRBPROTL is zero. If a zero length is specified, then the Odata will be transmitted along with the Pdata, if present. When the read takes place, the Odata will be placed in the address specified by NRBPROTA and its incoming length will be set in NRBPROTL.

Always, NRBPROTL contains the length of the Odata in octets, not "addressable units."

The protocol field has special significance when used with Driver level requests, in that the Odata contains the network Message Proper, where the Pdata contains the Associated Data.

NRBRESV1 and NRBRESV2

NRBRESV1 and NRBRESV2 are reserved for possible future NetEx/IP enhancements.

NRBOFFER

This field is a session negotiation parameter that consists of two 16-bit fields. Used with a session level request, NRBOFFER specifies the offered name (the name of the process to be matched when the offer and connect requests meet). Names of all processes are uppercase alphanumeric data that are up to eight characters in length. Names less than eight characters long will be padded with blanks. Process names will be converted to the ASCII character set for transmission between hosts, so only those characters that are meaningful in ASCII should be used during the name matching process.

NRBHOST

This field is a session negotiation parameter that consists of two 16-bit fields. Used with a session level request, NRBHOST specifies the symbolic name of the host computer that will be addressed to match an offer request. Names of all hosts are specified by the installation systems programmer. All host names are uppercase alphanumeric data that are up to eight characters in length. Names less than eight characters long should be padded with blanks.

NRBRESV3

NRBRESV3 is reserved for possible future NetEx/IP enhancements. Programs should leave binary zeros in these fields.

NRBUSER

This field is reserved for users. Most typically it will be used to pass information to the User Exits that exist in host based NetEx/IP implementations. NetEx/IP will not process this field in any way.

NRBOSD

NRBOSD is reserved for internal use. NetEx/IP software uses this field to service and monitor the progress of NRB requests. The contents of these fields is maintained by NetEx/IP during a session.

If the NRBOSD field is altered by the calling program, the results are unpredictable.

Creating an NRB

A single NRB should be created before a calling program OFFERs or CONNECTs to another program. The NRB is 40 fields long and should initially be zero-filled. Programs may create several NRBs initially.

If several NRBs are required to service a single connection, they should be duplicated from the initial NRB, as described in the following paragraphs.

Duplicating an NRB

Duplicating NRBs is necessary when using multiple NRBs within a session. By duplicating the NRB, the connection-negotiation parameters, the connection reference number and the internal NRBOSD information is preserved, allowing the duplicate NRB to be valid.

To duplicate an NRB, wait until the initial CONNECT or OFFER has completed successfully, then copy the entire "working" NRB (up to and including the NRBOSD field) to a blank NRB at a different location. The

second NRB can now be used for NetEx/IP requests. The NRB should only be duplicated when it is not in use; that is, when NRBSTAT is 0.

Chapter 5: C High Level Interface

NETEX includes a library of subroutines that are designed to be called by the C high level object module. Also included is a library of copy files that may be included (#INCLUDE) into a C program and inserted at compile time. When the user makes a call to the user interface, the appropriate information is supplied in parameter format to pass to NETEX.

There are two components that are used to establish working communications through NETEX: one or more NETEX Request Blocks (NRBs) that must be supplied by the C caller, and the NETEX-provided subroutines that are used to invoke NETEX services. The NRB is described first, followed by the calls to the subroutines. The calls are presented in the approximate order in which they are used:

soffr	offer services
sconn	connect to an offered program
sconf	confirm acceptance of connect
sread	read incoming request or data
swrit	write data
sclos	write last data
swait	<pre>wait for previous request(s) to complete</pre>
sdisc	immediate disconnect

C NETEX Request Blocks

The C user builds an NRB by declaring it to be a structure of type nrb. Various fields of this structure will hold the information to be transferred to NETEX, and others will contain the information that is returned by NETEX. If more than one NRB will be required to service an application, one NRB type should be defined and several NRB variables should be declared to be of that type. Before these NRB structures are used for any NETEX request, Network Executive Software advises to zero all the members of the record. This will allow defaults for fields not explicitly used by the caller to take effect.

The NETEX C functions have the philosophy that arguments commonly passed to NETEX (such as a data buffer address) will be passed as parameters to the function. "Exotic" elements to be passed to NETEX, such as maximum input block size, will be supplied by storing the desired value in the proper member of the NRB structure. When the request completes, the C program directly accesses the desired members of the NRB structure to determine if the operation completed properly.

#define	INDCONNECT	1
#define	INDCONFIRM	2
#define	INDDATA	3
#define	INDEXPDATA	4
#define	INDCLOSE	5
#define	INDDISCONNECT	6
#define	INDSTATUS	7

Using these types the fields are as shown in the following table:

TYPE	FIELD	Function
long	nrbstat	Status or error code
long	nrbind	Indication
long	nrblen	Length of data
long	nrbubit	Unused bit count
long	nrbreq	Request code
long	nrbref	Reference number
char	nrbbufa	Pointer to user's buffer

TYPE	FIELD	Function
long	nrbbufl	Length of user's buffer
long	nrbdmode	Data mode of write request
long	nrbtime	Request timeout in seconds
long	nrbclass	Class of service
long	nrbmaxrt	Maximum transmission rate
long	nrbblki	Input buffer size
long	nrbblko	Output buffer size
char*	nrbbprota	Address of Odata
long	nrbprotl	Length of Odata
long	nrbresvl	PAM
long	nrbrref	Remote reference number
char	nrboffer[8]	Offer name
char	nrbhost[8]	Remote host name
long	nrbresv3	Reserved
long	nrbuser	Reserved for users
long	nrbosd[16]	OS Dependent

SOFFR C Function

The SOFFR (offer) function provides a means for a program desiring to accept a connection from a caller on the network to post the availability of the service. The SOFFR is actually a specialized form of read request. The SOFFR reads any data associated with the SCONN.

Before issuing an SOFFR function, the user must provide an NRB (described in chapter 4, NETEX Request Block) to be used by the user interface. Also, NETEX must be active in the system.

SOFFR Function Format

The SOFFR function has the following format:

Function (Select One)	Required Parameters
soffr soffrw	(nrb, buffer, length, timeout, pname)

SOFFR Parameters

The following parameters are used in the SOFFR function. The parameters must be specified in the order presented. All parameters are required.

soffr

soffrw

This is the verb for this function. SOFFRW specifies that the calling program must wait for the call to complete before processing is resumed.

nrb

This required parameter is a pointer to the NRB data area to be passed to NETEX.

buffer

This required parameter is a pointer to the buffer data area to receive data sent by the corresponding SCONNECT request.

length

This required parameter is the length of the buffer (in addressable units) that will hold the data sent by the corresponding SCONNECT. When called, *length* should contain the maximum size of the buffer. On return, the NRBLEN (NRB.length) field will contain the number of bytes of information actually sent to the offering application. The data type of length should be INT.

timeout

This required parameter is the number of seconds that the OFFER request should remain outstanding. If no application connects during this interval, then the OFFER will end abnormally. If *timeout* is specified as zero, the OFFER will remain outstanding indefinitely.

pname

This required parameter is the alphabetic name of the process to be offered to the corresponding calling program. The name offered is arbitrary, but must be known to the connecting program. This name may be provided as a packed array(.1..8.) of character or as a string in the CALL statement, if padded with blanks to eight characters in length.

SOFFER Entry Parameters

The following NRB fields are used by SOFFR on entry.NRBBUFAAddress for incoming PdataNRBBUFLLength of buffer to hold Pdata

INKDDUFL	Length of burlet to hold I data
NRBPROTA	Address for incoming Odata
NRBPROTL	Length of buffer to hold Odata
NRBTIME	Number of seconds offer outstanding
NRBBLKO	Maximum transmission size acceptable
NRBBLKI	Maximum reception size acceptable
NRBMXRAT	Limit on transmission speed
NRBOFFER	Application name to offer

SOFFR Results

The following NRB fields are updated when SOFFR completes.

NRBSTAT	Success/failure code
NRBIND	Contains Connect Indication
NRBLEN	Length of incoming Pdata
NRBUBIT	Unused bit count of Pdata
NRBPROTL	Length of Odata received
NRBNREF	S-ref assigned this connection
NRBBLKO	Maximum transmission Pdata Size
NRBBLKI	Maximum reception Pdata size
NRBMXRAT	Maximum transmission speed of path
NRBHOST	Name of host where SCONN originated

SCONN C Function

The SCONN (connect) function provides a means for a program to request a session with a program that has issued an SOFFR. The SCONN is a specialized form of a write request. The SCONN initiates the session and may optionally write data to the offerer at the same time, provided this data does not exceed the maximum segment size specified on either the sending or receiving NETEX.

Before issuing the SCONN, an NRB must be provided for use by the user interface.

SCONN Function Format

The SCONN function has the following format:

Function (Select One)	Required Parameters
sconn	(nrb, buffer, length, datamd, pname, hname)
sconnw	

SCONN Parameters

The following parameters are used in the SCONN function. The parameters must be specified in the order presented. All parameters are required.

sconn

sconnw

This is the verb for this function. SCONNW specifies that the calling program must wait for the call to complete before processing is resumed.

nrb

This required parameter is a pointer to the NRB data area to be passed to NETEX.

buffer

This required parameter is a pointer to the buffer data area that holds the user data to be sent to the corresponding application

length

This required parameter is the length of the data (in addressable units) to be sent to the corresponding application, to be presented with the completion of the corresponding application's OFFER request. If no data needs to be sent to the other application, the length may be set to zero. The data type of *length* should be INT.

datamd

This required parameter is the datamode to be used to send the connect data to the corresponding application. The data type of *datamd* should be INTEGER. Refer to NRBDMODE in chapter 4 for a discussion of the datamode parameter.

pname

This required parameter is the alphabetic name of the process offered (SOFFR) by the corresponding calling program. The name offered is determined by the other calling program. This name may be provided as a packed array(.1..8.) of character or as a string in the call invocation, if padded with blanks to eight characters in length.

hname

This required parameter is the alphabetic name of the host computer to be accessed to determine if the correct SOFFR is available. The "names" of the host computers in the network are determined by the NETEX installation systems programmer. This may be provided as a packed array(.1..8.) of character or provided as a string in the call invocation, if padded with blanks to eight characters in length.

SCONN Entry Parameters

The following NRB fields are used by SCONN on entry.

NRBBUFA	Address of outgoing Pdata
NRBLEN	Length of outgoing Pdata
NRBUBIT	Pdata unused bit count
NRBDMODE	datamode of Pdata
NRBPROTA	Address of outgoing Odata
NRBPROTL	Length of outgoing Odata
NRBBLKO	Maximum transmission size acceptable
NRBBLKI	Maximum reception size acceptable
NRBMXRAT	Limit on transmission speed
NRBHOST	Alphanumeric "host" name
NRBOFFER	Alphanumeric "application" name

SCONN Results

The following NRB fields are updated when SCONN completes.

NRBSTAT	Success/failure code
NRBIND	Set to zero
NRBNREF	S-ref (Session ID) assigned
NRBBLKO	Maximum transmission Pdata size
NRBBLKI	Maximum reception Pdata size
NRBMXRAT	Maximum transmission speed of path

SCONF C Function

The SCONF (confirm) function provides a means for an offering program to confirm (to the connector) that the connection has been successfully completed. A negative response to an SCONN would be an SDISC.

The SCONF is a specialized form of write request. Data may optionally be written during the confirm process with this command, provided this data does not exceed the maximum segment size specified on either the sending or receiving NETEX.

Before issuing the SCONF call, an SOFFR must have completed successfully by receiving an SCONN response. The calling program must provide a NRB with an NRBNREF relating to this session.

SCONF Function Format

The SCONF function has the following format:

Function (Select One)	Required Parameters
sconf sconfw	(nrb, buffer, length, datamd)

SCONF Parameters

The following parameters are used in the SCONF function. The parameters must be specified in the order presented. All parameters are required.

sconf

sconfw

This is the verb for this function. SCONFW specifies that the calling program must wait for the call to complete before processing is resumed.

nrb

This required parameter is a pointer to the NRB data area to be passed to NETEX.

buffer

This required parameter is a pointer to the buffer data area that holds the user data to be sent to the corresponding application.

length

This required parameter is the length of the data (in addressable units) to be sent to the corresponding application, to be presented with the completion of the corresponding application's SREAD request. If no data needs to be sent to the other application, the length may be set to zero. The data type of *length* should be INT.

datamd

This required parameter is the datamode to be used to send the connect data to the corresponding application. The data type of *datamd* should be INTEGER. Refer to NRBDMODE in chapter 4 for a discussion of the datamode parameter.

SCONF Entry Parameters

The following NRB fields are used by SCONF on entry.

NRBBUFA	Address of outgoing Pdata (move mode)	
NRBLEN	Length of outgoing Pdata	
NRBUBIT	Pdata unused bit count	
NRBDMODE	datamode of Pdata	
NRBPROTA	Address of outgoing Odata	
NRBPROTL	Length of outgoing Odata	

SCONF Results

The following NRB fields are updated when SCONF completes

NRBSTAT	Success/failure code

NRBIND Set to zero

SREAD C Function

The SREAD function provides a means for a program to receive data from another host or an indication from NETEX of an abnormal condition with the connection.

Before an SREAD can be issued, a connection must be established. The NRB specified must have been used for a previous NETEX request for the particular connection, or a copy of another NRB that has been used to service the desired connection.

IMPORTANT: Keep an SREAD request outstanding to receive incoming data. NETEX will automatically terminate a connection if a request is waiting to be read for too long. This read-timeout value is set at installation time.

Defaults for unspecified parameters are assumed to be the parameters existing in the NRB. Thus, after *buffer* and *length* are agreed on during the connection process, these parameters can be omitted.

SREAD Function Format

The SREAD function has the following format:

Function (Select One)	Required Parameters
sread sreadw	(nrb, buffer, length, timeout)

SREAD Parameters

The following parameters are used in the SREAD function. The parameters must be specified in the order presented. All parameters are required.

sread

sreadw

This is the verb for this function. SREADW specifies that the calling program must wait for the call to complete before processing is resumed.

nrb

This required parameter is a pointer to the NRB data area to be passed to NETEX.

buffer

This required parameter is a pointer to the buffer data area to receive the data sent by the corresponding application's SWRITE or SCONF request.

length

This required parameter is the length of the buffer (in addressable units) to hold the data sent by the corresponding SWRITE. When called, *length* should contain the maximum size of the buffer. On return, the actual length will be in NRBLEN. Programs that wish to work with the Unused Bit Count on input should examine the NRBUBIT field. The data type of *length* should be INT.

timeout

This required parameter is the number of seconds that the READ request should remain outstanding. If the corresponding application does not send data during this interval, then the read will end abnormally. If *timeout* is specified as zero, the READ will remain outstanding indefinitely.

SREAD Entry Parameters

The following NRB Fields are used by SREAD on entry.

NRBBUFA	Address for incoming Pdata (move mode)
NRBBUFL	Length of buffer to hold Pdata
NRBPROTA	Address for incoming Odata
NRBPROTL	Length of buffer to hold Odata
NRBTIME	Number of seconds offer outstanding

SREAD Results

The following NRB fields are updated when SREAD completes.

NRBSTAT	Success/failure code
NRBIND	Contains Connect Indication
NRBLEN	Length of incoming Pdata
NRBUBIT	Unused bit count of Pdata
NRBPROTL	Length of Odata received
NRBBLKO	Maximum transmission Pdata size (On Read of Confirm only)
NRBBLKI	Maximum reception Pdata size (On Read of Confirm only)

SWRIT C Function

The SWRIT (write) function provides a means for a program to transmit data to another calling program.

Before an SWRIT can be issued, a connection must be established.

SWRIT Function Format

The SWRIT function has the following format:

Function (Select One)	Required Parameters
swrit swritw	(nrb, buffer, length, datamd)

SWRIT Parameters

The following parameters are used in the SWRIT function. The parameters must be specified in the order presented. All parameters are required.

swrite

swritw

This is the verb for this function. SWRITW specifies that the calling program must wait for the call to complete before processing is resumed.

nrb

This required parameter is a pointer to the NRB data area to be passed to NETEX

buffer

This required parameter is a pointer to the buffer data area that holds the user data to be sent to the corresponding application.

length

This required parameters is the length of the data (in addressable units) to be sent to the corresponding application. The length may be set to zero. The data type of *length* should be INT.

datamd

This required parameter is the datamode to be used to send the connect data to the corresponding application. The data type of *datamd* should be INT. Refer to NRBDMODE in chapter 4 for a discussion of the datamode parameter.

SWRIT Entry Parameters

The following NRB fields are used by SWRIT on entry.

NRBBUFA	Address of outgoing Pdata
NRBLEN	Length of outgoing Pdata
NRBUBIT	Pdata unused bit count
NRBDMODE	Datamode of Pdata
NRBPROTA	Address of outgoing Odata

NRBPROTL Length of outgoing Odata

SWRIT Results

The following NRB fields are updated when SWRIT completes.

NRBSTAT Success/failure code

NRBIND Set to zero

SCLOS C Function

The SCLOS (close) function provides a way for a program to transmit data to another corresponding calling program and indicate that this is the last data to be sent. The data must be received by a read request in the other program.

After a program has issued an SCLOS, no other data may be written by that program. If the other program had previously issued an SCLOS, the data is written and then the connection is disconnected. If the other program has not issued an SCLOS, it is still free to write data to the program that did issue the SCLOS.

Before issuing the SCLOS, a connection must be fully established.

SCLOS Function Format

The SCLOS function has the following format:

Function (Select One)	Required Parameters
sclos sclosw	(nrb, buffer, length, datamd)

SCLOS Parameters

The following parameters are used in the SCLOS function. The parameters must be specified in the order presented. All parameters are required.

sclos

sclosw

This is the verb for this function. SCLOSW specifies that the calling program must wait for the call to complete before processing is resumed.

nrb

This required parameter is a pointer to the NRB data area to be passed to NETEX.

buffer

This required parameter is a pointer to the buffer data area that holds the user data to be sent to the corresponding application.

length

This required parameter is the length of the data (in addressable units) to be sent to the corresponding application. The length may be set to zero. The data type of *length* should be INT.

datamd

This required parameter is the datamode to be used to send the connect data to the corresponding application. The data type of *datamd* should be INT. Refer to NRBDMODE in chapter 4 for a discussion of the datamode parameter.

SCLOS Entry Parameters

The following NRB fields are used by SCLOS on entry.

NRBBUFA Address of outgoing Pdata

NRBLEN	Length of outgoing Pdata
NRBUBIT	Pdata unused bit count
NRBDMODE	Datamode of Pdata
NRBPROTA	Address of outgoing Odata
NRBPROTL	Length of outgoing Odata

SCLOS Results

The following NRB fields are updated when SCLOS completes

NRBSTAT	Success/failure code
NRBIND	Set to zero
NRBBUFA	Contains zero (if ptr mode selected)

SWAIT C Function

The SWAIT function provides the means to wait for the completion of requests that have not been previously waited for. Control will be returned to the SWAIT caller when any one of the NRBs specified no longer has the "in progress" flag set. Return from the subroutine will be immediate if any one of the NRBs has completed before the SWAIT call. By waiting on 0 NRBs, the NETEX subroutine library will take control and update all NRBs.

SWAIT(0) will return after checking all of the NRBs that are pending. It may return before any NRB has completed. Therefore, Network Executive Software advises to check the NRBSTAT after an SWAIT(0) and send another SWAIT(0) if the status is -1. This behavior is true whether SWAIT(0) is used in a single or multi-threaded application.

When SWAIT(-1) is called, NETEX takes control and checks all NRBs, just as SWAIT(0) does. SWAIT(-1) will only return to the user when at least one NRB has completed.

Note: In a multi-threaded application, the NRB which completed <u>may not belong to the thread making</u> <u>the swait(-1) call</u>. If your thread has no NRBs active, you may end up waiting for another thread's NRB to complete! Think globally for this form of the call and use with caution!

In a multi-threaded environment, swait(nrbnum, nrb, nrb ...) works as you would expect. This form of the call is recommended over the swait(-1) form.

After control is returned, the calling program must determine which of the NRBs in the list has completed. This can be done by examining the NRBSTAT field of each of the NRBs.

See "ntxteat.c" and "ntxtgen.c" in the "tests" subdirectory of your NetEx installed distribution for a sample server/client multi-threaded application. It also contains samples of all 3 forms of the 'swait' call. The sample of the swait(-1) call is <u>not</u> foolproof!

C SWAIT Examples

Figure 12 shows an example of an SWAIT (0).

```
(program)
.
.
swrit (nrba,buffa,len,dmode);
swrit (nrbb,buffb,len,dmode);
i=0;
while (i<5&&
      nrba.nrbstat<0&&
      nrbb.nrbstat<0) {</pre>
      delay(1);
      swait(0);
}
if (nrba.nrbstat>=0) {
   /*process nrba */
}
else {
   /*process nrbb */
}
```

Figure 12. SWAIT(0) Example

Figure 13 shows an example of an SWAIT(-1).

```
(program)
.
.
swrit (nrba,buffa,len,dmode);
swrit (nrbb,buffb,len,dmode);
swait(-1);
if (nrba.nrbstat>=0) {
    /*process nrba */
}
else {
    /*process nrbb */
}
```

Figure 13. SWAIT(-1) Example

SWAIT Function Format

The SWAIT function has the following format:

Function	Required Parameters
swait	(nrbnum, nrb, nrb,)

SWAIT Parameters

The following parameters are used in the SWAIT function. The parameters must be specified in the order presented. All parameters are required.

swait

This is the verb for this function.

nrbnum

This required parameter is the number of NRBs to wait for. Control will be returned after the completion of any calls/NRBs specified. If 0 is specified, the NetEx subroutine library will take control and update NRBs or perform other functions.

nrb

This required parameter is a pointer to one or more NRBs (the number of NRBs specified in nrbnum) associated with the request to be waited for. An *nrb* is required for each NRB specified in *nrbnum*.

SDISC C Function

The SDISC (disconnect) function provides the means for any connected program to terminate a session. The request is immediate and any data currently in transport may not be delivered. If data delivery is required, the program must wait for confirmation of previous SREAD or SWRIT functions before issuing the SDISC.

When an SDISC is issued, an outstanding SREAD in the other program will terminate with an error in NRBSTAT.

NETEX does not ensure that data written with an SDISC macro will actually be received by the other program.

SDISC Function Format

The SDISC function has the following format

Function (Select One)	Required Parameters
sdisc sdiscw	(nrb, buffer, length, datamd)

SDISC Parameters

The following parameters are used in the SDISC function. The parameters must be specified in the order presented. All parameters are required.

sdisc

sdiscw

This is the verb for this function. SDISCW specifies that the calling program must wait for the call to complete before processing is resumed.

nrb

This required parameter is a pointer to the NRB data area to be passed to NETEX.

buffer

This required parameter is a pointer to the buffer data area that holds the user data to be sent to the corresponding application.

Note: For SDISC, delivery of DISCONNECT data is **not** reliable, although the actual disconnection will always occur.

length

This required parameter is the length of the data (in addressable units) to be sent to the corresponding application, to be presented with the completion of the corresponding application's SREAD request. If no data needs to be sent to the other application, the length may be set to zero. The data type of *length* should be INT.

datamd

This required parameter is the datamode to be used to send the disconnect data to the corresponding application. The data type of *datamd* should be INT. Refer to NRBDMODE in chapter 4 for a discussion of the datamode parameter.

On completion of the SDISC, the connection will no longer exist; new commands against that connection will be rejected. An SOFFR or SCONN must be issued to establish a new connection.

SDISC Entry Parameters

The following NRB fields are used by SDISC on entry.

NRBBUFA	Address of outgoing Pdata
NRBLEN	Length of outgoing Pdata
NRBUBIT	Pdata unused bit count
NRBDMODE	Datamode of Pdata
NRBPROTA	Address of outgoing Odata
NRBPROTL	Length of outgoing Odata

SDISC Results

The following NRB fields are updated when SDISC completes.

NRBSTAT	Success/failure code
NRBIND	Set to zero

C Program Examples

The following figures are examples of C language offer and connect programs designed for the transfer of computer generated data.

To compile these programs use:

cc -o nsef001 nsef001.c -lntxc cc -o nsef002 nsef002.c -lntxc

To run the programs:

nsef001 [datamode]
nsef002 hostname [datamode]

datamode

The default is 0, if the datamode is not specified.

To run intra-host:

nsef001 &
nsef002 localhostname

Figure 14 follows.

```
/*
 *This is the offering side of a connection, the basic sequence is
      offer with data verification
 *
      confirm
 *
     read and write to remote with data verification
 *
     read disconnect
 * the session is terminated if there are any errors
* /
#include<netex.h>
#define SUCCESS 0
nrb n;
short buf[500], verf[500]
int step, i, mode;
int bytes=2;
char *job[]={"offer", "connect", "confirm", "read", "write", "disc", "wait"};
main(argc,argv) /* nsef001 [datamode] */
  int argc;
  char *argv[];
{
  memset(&n,'0',sizeof(n));
   memset(buf, '\0', sizeof(buf));
   step=0;
   printf("this is the start of nsef001\n");
   if(argc<2)
        mode=0;
   else
        sscanf(argv[1],"%x",&mode);
   verf[0] =1234;
   /*offer,check for success, verify data*/
```

```
soffrw(&n,buf,4,300,"NSEF0011");
if(n.nrbstat !=SUCCESS || n.nrbind !=INDCONNECT)
     terminate(0);
if(buf[0] !=verf[0]
     terminate(1);
buf[0] =1234;
buf[1] =5678;
/*confirm the connection */
step = 2;
sconfw(&n,buf,8,mode);
if(n.nrbstat !=SUCCESS)
     terminate(0);
/*read and verify data */
step = 3;
sreadw(&n,buf,400*bytes,120);
for(i=0;i<400;i++) {</pre>
     verf[i] = i +1
     if(buf[i] !=verf[i])
          terminate(i+1);
if(n.nrbstat !=SUCCESS || n.nrbind !=INDDATA ||
   n.nrblen !=400*bytes)
     terminate(0);
printf(" first read in nsef001 has completed and verified data\n");
for(i=0;i<420; i++)</pre>
     buf[i] =i+1;
*/ write to remote */
step =4;
swritw(&n,buf,420*bytes,mode);
if(n.nrbstat !=SUCCESS)
     terminate(0);
/*read and verify data */
step = 3
sreadw(&n,buf,40*bytes,120);
for(i=0<40;i++){
     if(buf[i] != verf[i])
          terminate(i+1);
if(n.nrbstat !=SUCCESS || n.nrbind !=INDDATA ||
   n.nrblen !=40*bytes
     terminate(0);
printf(" second read in nsef001 has completed and verified data\n");
for(i=0;i<420;i++)</pre>
     buf[i] =i+1
/*write to remote */
step=4;
swritw(&n,buf,420*bytes, mode);
if(n.nrbstat !=SUCCESS)
     terminate(0);
/*read the disconnect */
```

```
step=3
   sreadw(&n,buf,1,30);
   /* verify disconnect */
   if(n.nrbstat !=SUCCESS || n.nrbind !=INDDISCONNECT)
        terminate(0);
  printf(" reading disconnect in nsef001 completed\n");
  printf(" this test completed successfully nsef001\n");
   /*
    * terminate the session on error condition
    * verify>0 indicates a data verification error.
    * /
   terminate(verify)
   int verify;
   {
        if(verify--)
             printf(" data miscompared at n=%d, buf=%d, mode=%d\n",
                    verify,buf[verify],verf[verify]);
        printf(" **%s**nrbstat=%d, nrbind=%d,nrblen=%d,mode=%d\n",
               job[step],n.nrbstat,n.nrbind,n.nrblen,n.nrbdmode);
        sdiscw(&n,buf,1,mode);
        if(n.nrbstat !=SUCCESS || n.nrbind !=INDDISCONNECT)
             printf("**disc stat = %d**,nrbind =%d,nrblen =%d\n",
                    n.nrbstat,n.nrbind,n.nrblen);
   exit(-1);
/*
 * this is the connecting side of the connection, the basic sequence is
 * connect to remote
 * read confirm with data verification
  write to and read from remote host with data verification
 *
   disconnect
 */
#include<netex.h>
#define SUCCESS 0
nrb n;
short buf[500],verf[500];
int step,i,mode;
int bytes =2;
char *job[]={ "offer", "connect", "confirm", "read", "write", "disc", "wait"};
char host[9]'
main(argc,argv) /* nsef002 host [datamode] */
 int argc;
 char *argv[];
{
  memset(&n,'0',sizeof(n)); /* zero out nrb */
  memset(buf, '\0', sizeof(buf));
  printf(" this is the start of nsef002\n");
  if(argc==2)
        mode=0;
   else if(argc==3)
        sscanf(argv[2], "%x",&mode);
```

```
else {
        printf(" nsef002: wrong arg count\n");
        exit(1);
   }
  memset(host,' ` ,sizeof(host)-1);
  memcpy(host,argv[1],strlen(argv[1]));
  verf[0] =1234;
  verf[1] = 5678;
  buf[0] =1234;
  /* connect to remote */
  step =1;
  sconnw(&n,buf,4,mode,"NSEF0011", host);
   if(n.nrbstat !=SUCCESS)
        terminate(0);
   step = 3;
/* read confirm, verify data */
  sreadw(&n,buf,8,120);
   for(i=0; i<2; i++)</pre>
        if(buf[i] !=verf[i]
             terminate(i+1);
   if(n.nrbstat !=SUCCESS || n.nrbind !=INDCONFIRM)
        terminate(0);
  printf(" reading the sconf completed successfully");
  for(i=0; i<400;i++)</pre>
        buf[i] =i+1;
/* write to remote */
  step=4
  printf(" this is the mode before write %d, nrbdmode=%d\n",
          mode,n.nrbdmode);
  swritw(&n,buf,400*bytes, mode);
  printf(" this is the mode after swrite %d, nrbmode=%d\n",
          mode, n.nrbdmode);
   if(n.nrbstat !=SUCCESS)
         teminate(0);
/* read from remote, verify data */
   step = 3;
   sreadw(&n,buf,420*bytes,30);
   for(i=0;i<420;i++)</pre>
        if(buf[i] != (verf[i] = i+1))
             terminate(i+1);
   if(n.nrbstat !=SUCCESS || n.nrbind !=INDDATA ||
     n.nrblen !=420*bytes)
        terminate(0);
  printf(" second read in nsef002 completed with data verified\n");
*/ write to remote */
  step=4;
  for(i=0; i<40;i++)</pre>
        buf[i] =i+1;
   swritw(&n,buf,40*bytes,mode);
   if(n.nrbstat !=SUCCESS)
        terminate(0);
```

```
/* read from remote, verify data */
  step = 3;
  sreadw(&n,buf,420*bytes,120);
  for(i=0; i<420;i++)</pre>
        if(buf[i] ! = verf [i]
             terminate(i+1);
  if(n.nrbstat !=SUCCESS || n.nrbind !=INDDATA ||
     n.nrblen !=420*bytes)
{
/* disconnect */
  step = 5;
  sdiscw(&n,buf, 1,0);
  if(n.nrbsta !=SUCCESS || n.nrbind !=0) {
       printf(" ***disconnect*** nrbstat=%d,nrbind=%d\n",
               n.nrbstat,n.nrbind);
  exit(-1);
  printf(" this test completed successfully nsef002\n");
}
* terminated the session because of an error
* verify>0 indicates data verification error
*/
  terminate(verify --)
  int verify;
   {
        if(verify)
             printf(" data miscompared at n=%d, buf=%d, verf=%d\n",
                    verify,buf[verify],verf[verify]);
       printf(" **%s** nrbstat=%d,nrbind=%d,nrblen=%d, mode=%d\n",
               job[step],n.nrbstat,n.nrbind,n.nrblen,n.nrbdmode);
        sdiscw(&n,buf,1,mode);
        if(n.nrbstat !=SUCCESS || n.nrbind !=INDDISCONNECT)
             printf("**disc stat = %d**,nrbind=%d,nrblen=%d\n",
                    n.nrbstat,n.nrbind,n.nrblen);
        exit(-1);
```

Figure 14. C Program Example

Chapter 6: TNP

Overview

The TNP feature serves as a NetEx/IP "proxy", which can be used by other hosts for which a host-based NetEx/IP is not available. A NetEx/IP Requester, residing on an HP NonStop, OpenVMS, Bull, or Stratus server, works with BFX, USER-Access, eFT, PFX (or other NetEx/IP applications running on the Requester server), and reads and writes the application's NetEx/IP requests over a TCP/IP connection to TNP on Linux, which then passes the request to Linux NetEx/IP, on behalf of the Requester's NetEx/IP application. In effect, TNP serves as a "proxy" NetEx/IP application for the Requester's NetEx/IP applications.

Prior to UNIX NetEx/IP with TNP, Requester applications used a NESiGate-LO device to provide NetEx/IP services. UNIX NetEX/IP with TNP eliminates the need for NESiGate-LO.

TNP is a separately licensed feature of UNIX NetEx/IP. If enabled, a TNP NetEx/IP application is started during NetEx/IP initialization, and is ready to accept connections from NetEx/IP Requester applications running on different servers. When a NetEx/IP request comes in from a Requester, TNP becomes the local NetEx/IP application, acting on behalf of the Requester. TNP uses the NetEx/IP API's to communicate with the local NetEx/IP, just like any other local NetEx/IP application. The Requester application is able to esablish NetEx/IP sessions with other remote NetEx/IP hosts on the network, as well as with UNIX NetEx/IP. Connections established between Requester applications and UNIX NetEx/IP effectively appear as NetEx/IP intrahost connections.

The NetEx/IP license key contains a session limit count, which places an upper limit on the number of concurrent TNP NetEx connections.

When running Netex TNP applications from Netex Requesters, it is recommended that a NetEx/IP Requester host entry be added to each of the host-based NetEx/IP NCT's, and that the multihost feature be enabled in the UNIX NetEx/IP that is supporting TNP.

This can be done by specifying MULTIH ON in the ntx_default initialization file, or by issuing the SET MULTIH ON NetEx/IP command. To ensure this setting is persistent across NetEx/IP restarts, the MULTIH statement should be added to the ntx_default file. Refer to the "Adding NetEx/IP Requester Hosts to the NCT" section on page 64 for more information on the NCT requirement.

shows a display of a TNP requester BFXJS application, submitted on host TNPFLASH (a NetEx/IP Requester system). Unique Requester user names are assigned by TNP. They are prefixed with 'TNP', followed by 5 numerics.

Host (UNIXT	Active	e Session	S					
Sref	User	Pid	State	Name	Host	RNref	Msg In	Msg Out	Tid
1	NTXOPER	0	OFFERED	NTXOPER	UNIXT				0000
4	root	3416	OFFERED	TNPOFFER	UNIXT				0000
5	TNP00001	22498	OFFERED	BFXJS	TNPFLASH				57e2

Figure 15. Output display of an OFFERED TNP job

Figure 16 shows a display of several active TNP connections. Since these are all connections between TNPFLASH and UNIXT, these are effectively all intrahost NetEx/IP connections on UNIXXT, but transferring files between the NetEx/IP Requester host and UNIXT.

Host	UNIXT	Act	ive Sessio	ons					
Sref	User	Pid	State	Name	Host	RNref	Msg In	Msg Out	Tid
1	NTXOPER		OFFERED	NTXOPER	UNIXT				0000
4	TNP		OFFERED	TNPOFFER	UNIXT				0000
5	BFXJST		OFFERED	BFXJST	UNIXT				0000
87	TNP00002	3550	CONNECTD	NTXGENDC	UNIXT		4901	0	0dde
88	NTXGENDC	3600	CONNECTD	TNP00002	UNIXT	126	1	4911	0e10
94	BFXTNPFL	22480	CONNECTD	TNP00001	UNIXT		2	121	57d0
95	TNP00001		OFFERED	BFXJS	TNPFLASH				0000
96	TNP00001	12345	CONNECTD	BFXTNPFL	UNIXT	138	110	1	3039

Figure 16. Output display of connected TNP jobs

TNP Configuration

NetEx/IP License Key

The TNP software is a feature which must be enabled in the NetEx/IP license key.

TNP PROGRAM

During the UNIX NetEx/IP installation, the TNP program is installed and the default tnp.cfg file is put in /etc/opt/netex However, this file can also be edited and changed, if needed, anytime after the UNIX NetEx/I installation. If TNP is enabled (via software key), then the TNP program gets started during NetEx/IP initialization. The TNP program issues the TNPOFFER, then waits for work requests from remote NetEx/IP Requesters.

tnp.cfg

tnp.cfg is the TNP configuration file, and is shown in Figure 17. The default tnp.cfg file is installed during installation. However, this file can also be edited and changed, if needed, anytime after the Hxx0IP installation

PORT keword specifies the port number used with NetEx/IP Requester hosts, and must be the same as the port specified by the 'TCP' parameter in the NetEx/IP Requester host configuration file.

CMDPORT number specifies a command port used for internal TNP connections.

OFFRNM is the name of the TNP NetEx offer. This is only used in the display NetEx sessions.

MSGSYSLOG specifies where TNP messages will be output. A value of 1 means output to the tnp.log. A value of 2 means output to the system log. A value of 3 means output to both logs. A value of 0 means no syslog and minimal log output.

MSGSYSLOGFAC specifies how syslog messages will be output. A default syslog facility code of "local3" will be used unless overridden. The valid facility codes must be used if overridden. It is recommended only the local facility codes be used. Check with your system administrator for more information.

The syslog priority for TNP is INFO, Priority 6.

#				
#	TNP CONFIC	GURATION		
#	=========			
#				
#	KEYWORD	VALUE	DEFAULT	
#				
#	TNP	(NONE)		
#	PORT	PORT NUMBER USED WITH	5001	
#		NetEx/IP REQUESTER(S)		
#	CMDPORT	PORT NUMBER USED FOR	7002	
#		COMMAND PROCESSING		
#	OFFRNM	OFFER NAME	TNPOFFER	
#				
TNP	port 5001 cr	ndport 7002 offrnm TNPOFFER		
		Figure 17 Requester has	t configuration file	

Figure 17. Requester host configuration file

tnpop

tnpop is a minimal operator interface to dynamically set the TNP configuration parameters which can be set persistantly in the tnp.cfg file. The following commands are supported:

help – display the list of possible tnpop commands

debug (on|on2|off) – set the level of debugging messages to the tnplog (on or off) on2=on

tv – display TNP's internal version

logcmds (on|off) – turning on/off the logging of tnpop commands to the tnplog (and output of valid commands)

histlist – displays a running total of TNP session count per requestor

Adding NetEx/IP Requester Hosts to the NCT

For TNP configurations, an additional HOST entry may optionally be defined in the NCT to identify each NetEx/IP Requester host. This NCT change should be made to all of the host-based NetEx/IP NCT's. The name on the HOST statement identifying the NetEx/IP Requester host must be the same name as specified by the 'local' keyword in the NetEx/IP Requester configuration file. Additionally, the following NetEx/IP statement must be added to the ntx_default initialization file:

MULTIH ON

The recommended configuration is that the NetEx/IP Requester hosts should be added to the NCT file. Doing this will allow greater control over how connections get established in cases where duplicate NetEx/IP application OFFER names exist on multiple hosts. Without having specific entries in the NCT per Requester host, and not specifying MULTIH ON, it can be somewhat unpredictable how connections to duplicate OFFER names get established, since all applications would appear as Linux intrahost connections.

An additional NCT requirement for NetEx/IP Requester hosts is that the ADAPTER defined for the NetEx/IP Requester HOST must be the same as an Adapter defined for the local Hxx0IP host.

An example of an HXX0IP NCT with a NetEx/IP Requester host is shown in Figure 18.

```
*
** Local HOST LINUXT
LINUXT HOST
                TYPE=LINUX
                                            PROTOCOL=2
                             MODEL=LINUX
        ADAPTER MODEL=N400 NETADDR=01
            T0=IP1
            SMGDREF=00 PORT=0
** NetEx/IP Requester host (uses TCP/IP as NetEx/IP intrahost path between
  Linux NetEx/IP and NetEx/IP Requester host)
* *
                              MODEL=LINUX
TNPFLASH HOST
                TYPE=LINUX
         PROTOCOL=2
          ADAPTER MODEL=N400 NETADDR=01
             T0=TP1
             SMGDREF=00 PORT=0
*
```

Figure 18. Sample NCT with NetEx/IP Requester host

Requester Configuration

The NetEx/IP Requester host also has a configuration file. Refer to the appropriate NetEx/IP Requester manual for a description of the configuration file. It contains the IP address and port number used when communicating with HXX0IP TNP.

The "local" keyword specifies a name for the local client host. If MULTIH ON is set (recommended), this name is used by the TNP NETEX as the NETEX hostname for sessions offered by the local client host. The name specified should be added to the NetEx/IP Network Configuration Table (NCT) on all of the host-based NetEx/IP platforms. (Refer to "Adding NetEx/IP Requester Hosts to the NCT" on page 64).

The "netex" keyword identifies the TNP host. The name following the "netex" keyword identifies a NetEx/IP host that supports the TNP feature. The third value specifies the IP address of the NetEx/IP TNP host. The 'tcp' keyword specifies the port number used by the HXX0IP TNP component, and must be the same as the port specified in the HXX0IP TNP configuration file. If the port number is not specified, the default port number (5001) is used.

An example of a NetEx/IP Requester configuration file is shown in Figure 19.

#
Sample NetEx/IP Requester configuration
#
The "local" keyword specifies a name for the local client host.
#
local tnpflash
#
The "netex" keyword identifies the TNP host, along with the IP address and
port number used by TNP.
#
netex LINUXT 10.1.5.156 tcp 5001

Figure 19. Sample NetEx/IP Requester configuration

Chapter 7: Installation

Please refer to the appropriate appendix for installation and OS specific information for your operating system:

- Appendix D: H800IP Linux Installation
- Appendix E: H620IP AIX Installation
- Appendix F: H820IP Linux for System z Installation

Chapter 8: Operator Interface

The NETEX operator interface (NTXOPER) provides a set of commands that allow you to control and display NETEX resources. This chapter details the following information on NTXOPER.

- Executing Operator commands
- Enabling the Remote Operator interface
- Operator command descriptions

Executing Commands

You can execute NETEX operator commands in either command line or interactive mode.

Any characters following the command and parameter entrys will be ignored

Command Line Mode

When you execute operator commands in command line mode, you initiate the NTXOPER program for each command and provide the command parameters as arguments to the program. To execute an operator command in command line mode, use the following general format:

ntxoper operator_command parameters

Replace operator_command with a valid operator command; replace parameters with the parameters for the operator command. For example, to execute the DISPLAY HOST command, enter the following:

ntxoper display host

You can also execute an operator command in command line mode on a remote host using the following general format:

ntxoper : host_name operator_command parameters

Replace host_name with the name of the host on which you want to execute the command; replace operator_command with a valid operator command; replace parameters with parameters for the command. For more information on executing operator commands on a remote host, refer to Command Descriptions later in this chapter.

Interactive Mode

When you execute operator commands interactively, you first start an operator interface session using the NTXOPER command. During an NTXOPER session, all valid operator commands are available. you can also use these additional commands:

Interactive Operator Command	Description
. (period)	Repeats the previous command
rmt hostname operator_command	Executes the specified operator command using the remote NTXOPER interface.
crmt hostname operator_command	Executes the specified operator command using the remote NTXCONS interface.
QUIT	Terminates NTXOPER. You can also terminate NTXOPER by entering EXIT, BYE, or STOP.

Enabling the Remote Operator Service

The NETEX remote operator service allows you to request a NETEX operator display from other hosts on the network. You can request the display from any NETEX that has the remote operator display feature enabled.

To enable the remote operator service, use the SET NTXOPER operator command. For example, to enable remote operator service on your local host, enter:

```
ntxoper set ntxoper on
```

You can define the class of commands available to remote operators with the SET ROPCLASS operator command. For example, to allow remote operators to execute all commands, enter the following:

```
ntxoper set ropclass a
```

To allow remote operators to use only general display commands, enter the following:

ntxoper set ropclass g

When the remote operator service is enabled, you can execute NTXOPER operator commands on a remote system either in command line or interactive mode (refer to Executing Commands earlier in this chapter). Any display you request is shown in the format defined by the remote program. For example, if you request a display from a NETEX for VAX/VMS, use a NETEX for VAX/VMS command and the system returns a NETEX for VAX/VMS display.

Operator Command Descriptions

This section details all the NETEX operator interface commands. The following table briefly summarizes each command.

Operator Command	Description
CLEAR LOG	Clears the NETEX log file
CLEAR IPROUTE	Clear IP routing table entries
DISPLAY DRAINED	Displays drained adapters
DISPLAY HOST	Displays host(s) defined to NETEX
DISPLAY IPROUTE	Displays routing table entries
DISPLAY KEY	Displays the current license key
DISPLAY LOG	Displays the last 100 lines of the NetEx/IP log
DISPLAY MEMORY	Displays the current memory allocations for various internal control blocks and data buffers. (Same as the DISPLAY MEMORY command.)
DISPLAY NETWORK	Lists network connections currently pending or in progress
DISPLAY PARMS	Displays parameter values controlled by SET commands
DISPLAY SESSION	Lists sessions currently pending or in progress
DISPLAY TRANSPORT	Lists the current state of transport connections
DISPLAY USAGE	(See DISPLAY MEMORY command)
DISPLAY VERSION	Displays the current version level of the NetEx/IP component.
DRAIN ADAPTER	Prevents new connections from using the adapter
DRAIN HOST	Prevents new connections with a specific host
DRAIN NETEX	Prevents any new connections from starting
HALT SREF	Immediately stops a NetEx session
HELP / lhelp	Provide NetEx/IP help information.
KILL NETEX	Immediately stops all NETEX resources
LOAD KEY	Loads the current license key
LOAD NCT	Transfers a pamfile created by the Configuration Manager to NETEX
SET CONTIME	Specifies the connect attempt timeout value
SET DBGDATA	Specifies number of data bytes to trace
SET DBGMSG	Enable/disable NETEX message tracing
SET DBGREQ	Enable/disable user request tracing
SET DBGRET	Enable/disable user response tracing

Operator Command	Description				
SET DEADTIME	Specifies time to wait until disconnecting a connection due to lack of traf- fic				
SET DEFBI	Specifies the default maximum input buffer size for sessions				
SET DEFBO	Specifies the default maximum output buffer size for sessions				
SET IDLETIME	Specifies time between idle messages to verify the continued existence of the other end of the connection				
SET IPROUTE	Set an IP routing table address entry				
SET MAXBI	Specifies the maximum input buffer size a user may request on a SCONN or SOFFR				
SET MAXBO	Specifies the maximum output buffer size a user may request on a SCONN or SOFFR				
SET MAXKBS	Specifies the maximum rate at which NetEx/IP will deliver data to the network for each network connection.				
SET MSGLVL	Specifies the level of messages to display				
SET MULTIHOST	Set multihost option on or off				
SET NTXOPER	Enables and disables the remote operator service				
SET PREFPROT	Specifies the default preferred protocol type to use when connecting to hosts that support multiple NetEx/IP protocol types.				
SET READTIME	Time that NETEX will retain incoming data waiting for a user read request				
SET ROPCLASS	Class of operator commands that the remote operator may issue				
SET SESMAXIMUM	Number of concurrent session offers and active connections allowed				
SET WDOGINT	Time between NETEX internal checks for timed events				
START NETEX	Reverses the effect of DRAIN NETEX				
START HOST	Reverses the effect of DRAIN HOST				
SWLOG	Saves the current 'ntxlog' file as 'ntxlog.n' (where n is an integer greater than or equal to 1), and starts using a new 'ntxlog' file.				
	This command is not available in all implementations. Figure 20, NETEX Operator Commands				

Figure 20. NETEX Operator Commands

CLEAR LOG

Description

Clears the NETEX log file while NETEX is running.

Format

Clear LOG

CLEAR IPROUTE

Description

Clear all or a selected IP routing table entry. Use caution using the "clear ipr all" – it is useful only if you plan to do a "load not" right afterwards or to manually re-enter all entries.

Format

Clear IProute uuss | ALL

Parameters

uuss

The NCT defined NETADDR and SMGDREF of a host adapter.

ALL

Clear all table entries

DISPLAY DRAINED

Description

The operator may display a list of drained adapters.

Format

Display Drained

DISPLAY HOST

Description

Lists the hosts defined on the network. By specifying a host name, you can limit the display to only the specified host and receive more detailed information for that host.

Format

Display Host [hostname]

Parameters

hostname

Specifies the name of the host to be displayed. By default, information on all hosts is displayed.

Display Examples

The following figure shows a sample DISPLAY HOST display when the hostname parameter is omitted:

13:12:41		Н	ost ULTR	A5H		Current Ro	utes					
DestHost	Pr	Rts	State	Fl	PmOf	DestHost	Pr	Rts	State	Fl	PmOf	
NTXLCL	2	3				NTXLCL00	2	1				
DALE	2	4				TANDEMH	2	4				
TANDEMSH	2	4				DXU20	2	2				
MINGH	2	4				FLASHH	2	4				
DXUB3	2	2				HP	2	5				
STRATUS	2	5				RIOS4	2	4				
SOLSRVR	2	5				ULTRA5	2	3				
UNISYS	2	7				ZARKHOV	2	4				
ZARKGWH	2	1				ZARKHOVE	2	1				
UNISYSE	2	2				UNISYSH	2	2				
ULTRA5H	2	1				SOLGWH	2	1				
SOLSRVRF	2	1				SOLSRVRH	2	1				
RIOS4F	2	1				RIOS4H	2	1				
STRATUSH	2	1				AIX1GWE	2	1				
AIX1F	2	1				AIX1H	2	1				
OS390E2	2	1				OS390H	2	2				
NETFIN5	2	1				NETFIN3	2	2				
HPE	2	1				HPF	2	1				
HPH	2	1				DXUB3GWH	2	1				
DXU20H	2	1				10-44				1		

Figure 21. Display Hosts Command Output, No HostName specified.

The columns in the display are as follows:

DestHost

The name of each host or group on the network. The names correspond to the names used on the NCT data file HOST statement.

Pr

Type of protocol supported by the destination host, as defined in the NCT data file HOST statement.

Rts

The number of routes defined by the Configuration Manager to reach the destination host.

State

If a host is currently drained, DRAINED appears for that host.

Fl

The tplflags for that host (currently could be x'02' (ALTFIRST)

PmOf

The offset for the first pam to be used (can be non-zero only if ALTFIRST used for the host)

The following display is an example of the DISPLAY HOST command when a host name is supplied:

```
13:18:59
             Host ULTRA5H
                              Routes to os390h
pam header - len= 14 segsize= fffb
        maxrate=
                 0 delay=
                            0
pam entries --
  pam entry 1 -> 6 1 80 88 db 0
  pam entry 2 -> 6 1 40 88 cb 40
 _____
pam header - len= 14 segsize= fffb
       maxrate= 0 delay=
                            Ω
pam entries --
  pam entry 1 -> 6 1 80 88 db
                              0
  pam entry 2 -> 6 1 40 88 20 80
_____
```

Figure 22. Display Host Command, HostName specified

The fields in the display are as follows:

Host

This field shows the NETEX name of the local host.

Routes to

This field shows the NETEX name of the destination host.

len

This field shows the length of the PAM for this route.

segsize

This field shows the maximum segment size supported on this route.

maxrate

This field shows the maximum rate of transmission on this route, specified in 1000s of bits per second.

delay

This field shows the amount of time to wait between successive transmissions on this route. Time is specified in milliseconds.

pam entry

This field shows the PAM route component entry for each adapter in the route (length, type code, flag, trunk mask, dref [two bytes]).

DISPLAY IPROUTE

Description

Display all or a selected IP routing table entry.

Format

Display IProute [uuss | ALL]

Parameters

uuss

The NCT defined NETADDR and SMGDREF of a host adapter.

ALL

Display all table entries. All is assumed if no uuss is given.

Display Examples

The following figure shows a sample DISPLAY IPROUTE display when the uuss parameter is omitted:

11:42:34 Host STEVE1			Current GNA to) IP Mapping Tabl	e:
GNA	IP Adr	Source	GNA	IP Adr	Source
00002000	10.1.2.25	Local	00002080	10.1.2.25	Local
00002480	5.5.5.5	Oper	00002400	10.1.2.25	Local
00003401	0.0.0	Unknown	00005181	6.6.6.6	Oper
00005101	0.0.0	Unknown	00005201	0.0.0	Unknown
00005501	0.0.0	Unknown	00005701	10.1.5.26	Local
00005801	0.0.0	Unknown	00005901	0.0.0	Unknown
00006100	10.1.2.27	Local	0000a101	10.1.100.5	Local
0000a201	192.168.100.4	Local	0000a401	10.1.2.25	Local
0000a501	10.1.5.26	Local	0000a600	10.1.2.27	Local
0000a801	10.1.2.29	Local	0000a901	10.1.5.28	Local
0000ab01	10.1.5.17	Local	0000ac01	10.1.2.10	Local
0000ad01	10.1.2.5	Local	0000ae01	10.1.2.3	Local
0000af01	10.1.2.1	Local	0000b3b0	0.0.0	Unknown
0000b5c0	10.1.2.25	Local	0000b801	10.1.5.38	Local
0000b901	10.1.5.39	Local	0000ba01	10.1.2.24	Local
0000c6c0	10.1.5.27	Local	0000cb40	10.1.2.25	Local
0000d805	0.0.0.0	Unknown	0000d905	10.1.2.25	Local

Figure 23. Display IP Route Command

The columns in the display are as follows:

GNA

The network address mapped by this entry. Currently there will always be 4 leading zeros.

IP Adr

The IP address associated with this entry or 0.0.0.0 for none.

Source

The source of this entry. Currently it may be Local (for a successful DNS lookup), Oper (for an operator entry), or Unknown (for DNS lookup failed).

DISPLAY KEY

Description

Displays the NETEX license key

Format

Display Key

Display Examples

The following figure shows a sample DISPLAY KEY:

```
15:08:05 Host BUDDY3 License Key
ctlcap=44(IP TNP), ctllicflag=00(), ctltnpsmax= 0
Key = CKFZ-4AAA-LIAE-IAMS-OVZJ-F2JS-GBPC-V2FA
Protocol = 44(IP TNP)
Not Operational Date = 20121230
Expiration Date = 20121001
Tnp SesMax = unlimited
```

Figure 24. Display Key Command

DISPLAY LOG

Description

Displays the last 100 lines from the NetEx/IP log file.

Format

Display Log

DISPLAY MEMORY

Description

Displays the current memory allocations for various internal control blocks and data buffers.

Format

Display MEMory

Display Examples

The following figure shows a sample DISPLAY MEMORY command output:

```
NtxOper> display memory

14:23:42 Host NETFIN10 Memory

ctlbufs= 6 ctlmbufs= 0 ctlnrb= 22 ctlpam= 17

ctlmsg= 6 ctlodata= 15 ctlquehead= 15

ctlquesub= 2 ctlquetub= 3 ctlquenub= 3 ctlquedcb= 1

ctlquebcb= 6 ctlquendb= 0 ctlquetdb= 3
```

Figure 25. Display Memory Command

ctlbufs

of buffers (of length segment size) currently in use

ctlmbufs

of dynamically allocated buffers (number of mallocs)

ctlnrb

of nrb control blocks currently allocated

ctlpam

of pams currently allocated for active sessions

ctlmsg

of message proper's currently allocated

ctlodata

of odata buffers currently allocated

ctlquehead

of queue headers currently allocated

ctlquesub

of session user blocks currently allocated

ctlquetub

of transport user blocks currently allocated

ctlquenub

of network user blocks currently allocated

ctlquedcb

of device blocks currently allocated

ctlquebcb

of data buffers currently allocated

ctlquendb

of network data control *blocks currently allocated*

ctlquetdb

of transport data control blocks currently allocated

DISPLAY NETWORK

Description

Lists the network connections that are currently pending or in progress on the operator's host. By specifying an NREF, the operator may limit the display to only the specified network connection and receive more detailed information.

Format

Display Network [nref]

Parameters

nref

Specifies a NREF for the command. By default, information for all NREFs is displayed.

Display Examples

The following shows a sample DISPLAY NETWORK command output:

```
13:29:52Host ULTRA5HActive Network ConnectionsNrefUserTrefStateRNrefProtType-------------------------143PFXU2200162DATA312145NTXOPER164DATA602-1SESSMGR2165OFFERED2
```

Figure 26 Display Network Command

The following shows a DISPLAY NETWORK command output when an Nref is specified:

```
09:56:04
                                         65
                                 Nref
               Host ULTRA5H
               Pid= 21587008 State=data
Name= root
Writes= 11 Reads= 10 Nubblki= 32768 Nubblko= 32768
Readto=
           80
Physical Address Map (PAM)
pam header --
  len=14 segsize=fffb maxrate=
                               0 delay=
                                         0
pam entries --
  pam entry 1-> 6 1 80 88 db
                              0
             2-> 6 1 40 88 df 1
  pam entry
end of pam
```

Figure 27. Display Network Command, NREF specified

The following describes the fields in the display:

Nref

This field shows the unique identifier that distinguishes this network connection from all other active network connections to this NETEX. This reference identifier must be used in operator commands that modify a network connection, and may be used with this command to get detailed information about this network connection.

Name

This field shows the name of the process requesting network services.

State

This field shows the current status of the network connection. This is useful for tracking the progress of a connection, particularly for finding hung connections. The possible states are as follows:

closing	A close has been issued by the user. No additional data may be sent, but additional data may be received.
confirm	CONNECT message received, waiting for the confirm call.
data	Connection completed and user may exchange data.
connect	Connect request issued by user, waiting for confirm.
disconnect	Disconnect detected, but not yet complete.
offered	Offer has been issued by user, waiting for connect.
smgr conn	A user is in the process of connecting to a remote session manager. This process is internal to NETEX. The user's connect is in progress.
assigning	A user is in the process of being identified as a network user. This state is internal to NETEX. The user's offer or connect is in progress.
Rnref	This field shows the destination (or remote) host's Nref for this network connection. If a connection does not currently exist, this column will be blank.
Reads	This field shows the number of user messages received during this session.
Writes	This field shows the number of user messages transmitted during this session.
Nubblki	Maximum input blocksize.
Nubblko	Maximum output blocksize.
Readto	Read timeout.

DISPLAY PARMS

Description

Displays most parameter values controlled by the SET command and initialization parameters.

Format

Display Parms

Display Examples

The following figure shows a sample DISPLAY PARMS command output:

10:09:45	Host ULTRA5H	Parameter	S
contime= 13	deadtime= 60	idletime= 6	readtime= 30
maxbi= 65400	maxbo= 65400	defbi= 32768	defbo= 32768
segsize=32768	wdogint= 2	msglvl=interest	mtudisc= 0
max ses= 110	max tran= 0	max net= 0	dreadque= 12
cur ses= 3	cur tran= 4	cur net= 4	status=NORMAL
lim ses= 255	rmtOper= ON	class= G	multihost= OFF
prefprot= 2	mxkbs= 0	xdbg= 0	pollsel= ON
userexmitq= 1	rexmwblks= 2	bufolim= 2000	usercvgapq= 0
dtqhs= 15000	dtqls= 8000	dtqh= 20000000	dtql= 10000000
dbgmsg= 0	dbgdata= 0	dbgreq= 0	dbgret= 0
NCTVer= 128	mbufin= 5	mbufout= 5	
msgsyslog= 3	msgsyslogfac= l	ocal3	
max tnp= 0	cur tnp= 0		

Figure 28. Display Parms Command

The following describes the fields:

contime

This field shows the maximum number of seconds that NETEX will wait for a transport connect message to generate a response from the remote host. This parameter may be changed using the SET CONTIME operator command or the CONTIME initialization statement.

deadtime

This field shows the maximum number of seconds that NETEX will wait before it disconnects a transport connection (or attempts an alternate path) because there was no response from a remote host. This parameter may be changed using the SET DEADTIME operator command or the DEADTIME initialization statement.

idletime

This field shows the maximum number of seconds that NETEX will wait before sending an idle message to verify the continued existence of a party at the other end of a logical connection. This parameter may be changed using the SET IDLETIME operator command or the IDLETIME initialization statement.

readtime

Shows the number of seconds that NetEx transport retains user data while waiting for the receiver to issue a read request. This parameter may be changed using the SET READTIME command or the DATATO initialization statement.

maxbi

This field shows the maximum buffer input size (in bytes) that a user may specify for data coming in to his host in a single message. This parameter may be changed using the SET MAXBI operator command or the MAXBI initialization statement.

maxbo

This field shows the maximum buffer output size (in bytes) that a user may specify for data leaving his host in a single message. This parameter may be changed using the SET MAXBO operator command or the MAXBO initialization statement.

defbi

This field shows the default buffer input size (in bytes) that a user may specify for data coming in to his host in a single message. This parameter may be changed using the SET DEFBI operator command or the DEFBI initialization statement.

defbo

This field shows the default buffer output size (in bytes) that a user may specify for data leaving his host in a single message. This parameter may be changed using the SET DEFBO operator command or the DEFBO initialization statement.

segsize

This field shows the maximum segment size that will ever be used for any connection from this host. This parameter may be changed using the SEGSIZE initialization statement.

wdogint

This field shows the number of seconds that the watchdog timer waits before checking NRB timeout values. The parameter may be set using the SET WDOGINT operator command or the TIMER initialization statement.

msglvl

This field shows the minimum level of severity necessary to display a message to the operator. This parameter can be set using the SET MSGLVL command or the MSGLVL initialization statement.

mtudisc

0=don't, meaning set path mtu discovery off, so that IP does not set the 'DF' (don't fragment) bit 1=want, meaning fragment the datagram if necessary, or set the 'DF' bit otherwise

2=do, meaning set path mtu discover on for STREAM sockets and force the 'DF' bit to be set.max ses

This field shows the number of session connections or OFFERs permitted at one time. This parameter may be changed using the SET SESMAX operator command or the SMAX initialization statement. It can never exceed the value specified for the initialization statement SLIM.

max tran

This field shows the number of direct transport connections or OFFERs permitted at one time. This parameter is always 0 because direct transport connections are not supported at this time.

max net

This field shows the number of direct network connections or OFFERs permitted at one time. This parameter is always 0 because direct network connections are not supported at this time.

dreadque

This field shows the number of reads queued up for each driver connection.

cur ses

This field shows the number of session connections in progress or being OFFERed.

cur tran

This field shows the number of transport connections in progress or OFFERed.

cur net

This field shows the number of network connections in progress of being OFFERed.

status

This field shows the current status of NETEX. Status can be one of the following:

DRAINED	A DRAIN command has been issued and no sessions are active.
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DRAINING A DRAIN command has been issued, but some sessions are still active.

NORMAL All sessions are active.

lim ses

This is the limit on the maximum number of sessions (see "SET SESMAX" and the init parm 'smax')

rmtOper

This field shows whether the remote operator service is ON or OFF. The remote operator status may be changed with the SET NTXOPER command.

class

This field shows the privilege class of remote operator service (may be changed by the SET ROPCLASS command). The classes are as follows:

- A indicates that all commands are allowed.
- **G** indicates that only display commands are allowed.

multihost

This shows whether multihost is enabled or disabled. Multihost is used with the TNP feature. The NetEx/IP Requester hostnames that are specified in the Requester configuration files are used with the NetEx requests. MULTIHost should be set to ON if there are multiple NetEx/IP Requester hosts using this NetEx with TNP, and the Requester hosts are defined in the NCT. MULTIHost can be set to OFF if there is only one Requester host, or if all SOFFERs will have unique names. Typically, SET MULTIHOST should be set to ON in TNP configurations.

prefprot

This field shows the default preferred protocol type to use when connecting to hosts that support multiple NetEx/IP protocol types.

mxkbs

This field shows the maximum rate at which NetEx/IP will deliver data to the network for each network connection. If zero is specified, data will be delivered with no internal throttling. This value is only used for connections to hosts that do not have a 'rate' value specified in the PAM. This value is specified in Kbits per second. For example, a value of 50 means 50Kbs; a value of 50000 means 50Mbs (i.e. 50,000 Kbs).

xdbg

This is a special debug option to see details of throttling. Setting the value > 0 will turn on xdbg tracing, default is 0.

pollsel

This specifies whether or not the dispatcher will poll with 0 timeout or not. Especially useful in order to get good performance with small segments.

userexmitq

Specifies whether or not to use the retransmit queue.

rexmwblks

This is the number of blocks to use to calculate the time to wait before rexmitting a block when it is NAKed. Only used if userexmitq is 1.

bufolim

This is the maximum number of segments allowed waiting to be sent

usercvgapq

This indicates whether or not Netex should use the receive gap queue

dtqhs

This is the high threshold value (in segments) for the size of the receiving NetEx DataQue for each network connection. If the size of the Data Queue exceeds this value, subsequent blocks received on the network that are greater than the highest received LRN are NAK'ed and discarded. Subsequent blocks will continue to be discarded until the size of the DataQue is reduced to the value specified by 'dtqls'. (Prot 4 only).

dtqls

This is the low threshold value (in segments) for the size of the receiving NetEx DataQue for each network connection. See the 'dtqhs' parameter for the description of how this value is used. (Prot 4 only)

dtqh

This is the high threshold value (in bytes) for the size of the receiving NetEx DataQue for each network connection. If the size of the Data Queue exceeds this value, subsequent blocks received on the network that are greater than the highest received LRN are NAK'ed and discarded. Subsequent blocks will continue to be discarded until the size of the DataQue is reduced to the value specified by 'dtql'. (Prot 4 only).

dtql

This is the low threshold value (in bytes) for the size of the receiving NetEx DataQue for each network connection. See the 'dtqh' parameter for the description of how this value is used. (Prot 4 only)

msgsyslog

This specifies where Netex msgs will be output. A value of 1 means output to the Netex log. A value of 2 means output to the system log. A value of 3 means output to both logs. A value of 0 means no syslog and minimal Netex log output.

msgsyslogfac

This specifies how syslog msgs will be output. A default syslog facility code of "local3" will be used unless overridden.

The valid facility codes are system dependent. For Linux 2.6 they are:

auth authpriv cron daemon ftp kern lpr mail mark news security syslog user uucp local0 local1 local2 local3 local4 local5 local6 local7

It is recommended that only the local facility codes be used. Check with your system administrator for more information.

The syslog priority will be mapped to the Netex severity codes as follows:

Ntx Msg Severity	Syslog Priority		
blither 0	DEBUG 7		
debug 1	DEBUG 7		
monitor 2	INFO 6		
moderate 3	NOTICE 5		
interesting 4	WARNING 4		
important 5	ERR 3		
immediate 6	ALERT 1		

max tnp

This is the maximum number of tnp sessions allowed by the current license.

cur tnp

This is the current number of tnp sessions in progress.

dbgmsg

Indicates if NETEX message tracing is enabled. Set to 0 or 1, default is 0.

dbgdata

This is the number of data bytes being traced

dbgreq

Indicates if user request tracing is enabled. Set to 0 or 1, default is 0.

dbgret

Indicates if user response tracing is enabled. Set to 0 or 1, default is 0.

NCTVer

This is the version of the NCT from which the current pamfile was created.

mbufin

This is the minimum number of buffers outgoing, unless overridden by rate, delay, and/or segsize considerations.

mbufout

This is the minimum number of buffers incoming, unless overridden by rate, delay, and/or segsize considerations.

DISPLAY SESSION

Description

Lists the sessions that are currently pending or in progress on the operator's host. By specifying a Sref, you can limit the display to the specified session and receive more detailed information for the session.

Format

Display Session [sref]

Parameters

sref

Specifies the Sref to be displayed. By default, all sessions for all Srefs are displayed.

Display Examples

The following shows a sample DISPLAY SESSION command output:

12:45:	32	Host	ULTRA5H	Act	ive Sessio	ons					
Sref	User	Pid	State	Name	Host	Rnref	Msg	In I	Msg	Out	Tid
56	NTXOPER	-2	offered	NTXOPER							0000
65	root	87008	data	ROOT	SOLSRVRH	133		7		8	0000
66	root	00208	offered	NTXEFT							0000

Figure 29. Display Session, no SREF specified

The following shows a sample DISPLAY SESSION command output when a Sref is specified:

12:49:40	Host ULTRA5H	Sref 65
User = root	State=data	Dest =SOLSRVRH Rnref= 133
Mxbi = 16384	Mxbo = 16384	Class= 2 Rate = 0
Reads= 7	Writes= 8	Pid = 21587008 Name =
Ruser=	Flag= 00	Tid = 0000

Figure 30. Display Session, SREF specified

The following describes the fields in the display:

Sref

This field shows the unique identifier that distinguishes this session from all other active session connections to this NETEX. This reference identifier must be used in operator commands that modify a session, and may be used with this command to get detailed information about this session.

User

This field shows the username and process id requesting session services.

Pid

This field shows the process id of the user of this session. If pid = -2, this is the remote operator's session.

State

This field shows the current status of the session connection. This is useful for tracking the progress of a connection, particularly for finding hung connections. The possible states are as follows:

closing	A close has been issued by the user. No additional data may be sent, but ad- ditional data may be received.				
confirm	CONNECT message received, waiting for the confirm call.				
data	Connection completed and user may exchange data.				
connect	Connect request issued by user, waiting for confirm.				
disconnect	Disconnect detected, but not yet complete.				
offered	Offer has been issued by user, waiting for connect.				
smgr conn	A user is in the process of connecting to a remote session manager. This process is internal to NETEX. The user's connect is in progress.				
assigning	A user is in the process of being identified as a network user. This state is internal to NETEX. The user's offer or connect is in progress.				

Rnref

This field shows the destination (or remote) host's network reference number for this session connection. If a connection does not currently exist, this column will be blank. If the connection is a type 1 connection, this number represents the destination host's session reference number.

Reads

This field shows the number of user messages received during this session.

Writes

This field shows the number of user messages transmitted during this session.

DISPLAY TRANSPORT

Description

Displays the current state and progress of all transport services requested directly by user processes (not yet implemented) and indirectly by user requests of session services. By specifying a Tref, the operator limits the display to the specified transport and receives detailed information from the Transport User Block (TUB).

Format

Display Transport [tref]

Parameters

tref

Specifies the Tref of a transport service to be displayed. By default, the services for all Trefs are displayed.

Display Examples

The following shows a sample DISPLAY TRANSPORT command output:

14:01	:50	Host	BUDDY3	Act	ive Transp	ort Connec	tions	
tref	username	segsz	state	rnref	blksin	duprcv	blkout	rexmit
2	root	32768	offered					
17	NTXOPER	32768	offered					
18	FARRERS	32768	data	19	63641	0	1	0
19	FARRERS	32768	data	18	1	0	63641	0
65535	SESSMGR	32768	offered					

Figure 31. Display Transport, no TREF specified

The following show sample DISPLAY TRANSPORT output, with a TREF specified:

14:02:00	Host BUDDY3	Tref 19	
User = FARRERS	Name = NETEXEAT	State=data	RmtNref= 18
AckQ = 0	InQ = 5	OutO = 0	DataQ = 0
Maxtblok= 5	Mblko= 32000	Mrate= 0	Segsize= 32768
Maxrblok= 5	Mblki= 32000	Reads= 1	Writs= 65850
CurrKBS= 0		PipeB= 160000	CurrOB= 160000
MinRTDMs= 0	MaxRTDMs= 0	LclSnRt= 7488	LSRMax= 0
Prot= 2	RcvKBS= 0	RmRcvRt= 0	RRRMax= 0
RateP= 200	EquivP= 750	DtOB= 0	DtQHM= 0
CurPmRt= 0	MaxNPDU= 32768	$\tilde{NrbMxRt} = 0$	DtQHMS= 1
BufOut= 5	BufOLim= 2000	BufOLimC= 0	UseRcvGapQ= 0
ReXmitQ= 0	UseReXmQ= 1	ReXmWBlks= 2	RcvGapQ= 0 0
DtQHB= 2000000	DtQLB= 10000000	DtQHS= 15000	DtQLS= 8000
Transmitter:	Olrn = 319	Plrn = 314	Opbn = 314
	Rexmt= 0	Tack =00000000	Tpbn = 314
	Curtb =09d6a540	Tto = 6	Ackcr= 2
Receiver:	Ilrn = 2	Rplrn= 6	Rlrn = 0
	Rdup = 0	Rack =00000000	Rpbn = 1
	Currb =09d7aba8	Rto = 6	Ackcr= 2
	Pbn00= 0		

Figure 32. Display Transport, TREF specified

The following describes the fields in the displays:

Tref

This is the NETEX transport reference identifier.

<mark>User</mark>

<mark>Name</mark>

This is the name of the process requesting transport services.

State

This is the current status of the connection. This is useful for tracking the progress of a connection, particularly for finding "hung" connections. The possible states are as follows:

closing	A close has been issued by the user. No additional data may be sent, but ad- ditional data may be received.
confirm	CONNECT message received, waiting for the confirm call.
data	Connection completed and user may exchange data.
connect	Connect request issued by user, waiting for confirm.
disconnect	Disconnect detected, but not yet complete.
rdconnect	Offer has been issued by user, waiting for connect.
smgr conn	A user is in the process of connecting to a remote session manager. This process is internal to NETEX. The user's connect is in progress.
assigning	A user is in the process of being identified as a network user. This state is internal to NETEX. The user's offer or connect is in progress.

RmtNref

This is the remote network reference number.

AckQ

This is the number of blocks queued waiting for acknowledgement.

InQ

This is the number of segments waiting to be sent when proceed and throttle allow it.

OutQ

This is the number of segments queued to be sent.

DataQ

This is the number of blocks (segments) queued waiting for read requests.

Maxtblok

This is the maximum number of transmitting buffers.

Mblko

This is the maximum output block size (bytes).

MRate

This is the maximum transmission rate in Kbits/sec.

Segsize

This is the transport layer segmentation size.

Maxrblok

This is the maximum number of receiving buffers.

Mblki

This is the maximum input block size (bytes).

Reads

This is the number of reads completed by transport.

Writs

This is the number of writes issued by transport.

CurrKBS

This is the current target transmission rate in KBytes/Sec

CurrMsRTDl

This is the current millisecond round trip delay.

PipeB

This is the current size of the pipe in bytes.

CurrOB

This is the current number of bytes sent but not acked.

MinRTDms

This is the minimum round trip delay detected.

MaxRTDms

This is the maximum round trip delay detected.

LclSnRt

This is the current local data from user send rate in KBytes/sec.

LSRMax

This is the maximum local data from user send rate in Kbytes/sec.

Prot

This is the protocol in use for this connection.

RcvKBS

This is the current data to user receive rate in KBytes/sec.

RmRcvRt

This is the current remote data to user receive rate in Kbytes/sec. (Prot 4 only).

RRRMax

This is the maximum data to user receive rate in KBytes/sec.

RateP

This is the percentage factor used to increase or decrease the send rate for each network connection. The send rate may be increased or decreased after the expiration of the interval specified by 'sndrateupsecs'. The value represents a percentage multiplied by a factor of 10. (Prot 4 only)

EquivP

This is the percentage factor used to determine equivalence of the send and receive rates for each network connection. These rates are assumed to be equal if they fall within this percentage of each other. This value can be dynamically adjusted based on activity and performance of the network. The value represents a percentage multiplied by a factor of 10. (Prot 4 only)

DtQB

This is the number of bytes currently queued to be read by the user.

DtQHM

This is the high mark of the number of bytes queued to be read by the user.

CurPmRt

This is the rate in the PAM in Kbits/sec.

MaxNPDU

This is the maximum npdu (segment size) which will be sent over the current path.

NrbMxRt

This is the maximum rate in Kbits/sec specified in the user's NRB.

DtQHMS

This is the high mark of the number of segments queued to be read by the user.

BufOut

This is the number of segments waiting to be sent when proceed and throttle allow it.

BufOLim

This is the maximum number of segments allowed waiting to be sent.

BufOLimC

This is the highest number of segments that were ever waiting to be sent.

UseRcvGapQ

This indicates whether or not Netex should use the receive gap queue.

ReXmitQ

This is the number of blocks currently on the retransmit queue.

UseReXmQ

This specifies whether or not the retransmit queue should be used.

ReXmWBlks

This is the number of blocks to use to calculate the time to wait before rexmitting a block when it is NAKed. Only used if UseReXmQ is 1.

RcvGapQ

This is the number of blocks currently on the receive gap queue. .

DtQHB

This is the maximum number of bytes allowed on the incoming data queue. (Prot 4 only).

DtQLB

This is the number of bytes that must be reached on the data queue in order to allow more to be queued if the maximum number was reached. (Prot 4 only).

DtQHS

This is the maximum number of segments allowed on the incoming data queue. (Prot 4 only).

DtQLS

This is the number of segments that must be reached on the data queue in order to allow more to be queued if the maximum number was reached. (Prot 4 only).

Transmitter:

Olrn

This is the last LRN (Logical Record Number) assigned

Plrn

This is the last proceed LRN received from the remote. (Prot 2 only).

Opbn

This is the last PBN (Physical Block Number) assigned.

Rexmt

This is the number of blocks retransmitted.

Tack

This is the ACK/NAK information, bit signal received.

Tpbn

This is the highest PBN the remote side has received – this is the PBN associated with Tack.

Curtb

This is the memory location of the current outgoing data buffer.

Tto

This is the transmit timeout (idle time).

Ackcr

This is the outgoing ACK credit (number of messages before an idle ACK).

Receiver:

Ilrn

This is the next LRN to be given to the user.

Rplrn

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This is the most recent proceed LRN sent. (Prot 2 only).
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Rlrn

This is the LRN of the top block on the incoming data queue.

Rdup

This is the number of duplicate LRNs received.

Rack

This is the ACK/NAK information, bit signal to be sent.

Rpbn

This is the highest PBN received - this is the PBN associated with Rack..

Currb

This is the memory location of the current receive data buffer.

Rto

This is the receive timeout (communications lost).

Ackcr

This is the incoming ACK credit.

PbnOO

This is the number of blocks (PBNs) received out of order.

DISPLAY USAGE

Description

See the "DISPLAY MEMORY" command on page 83.

DISPLAY VERSION

Description

Displays the current version level of the NetEx/IP component.

Format

Display Version

Display Example

The following shows the output from a DISPLAY VERSION command for H800IP:

NtxOper> d version 14:21:19 Host NETFIN10 Version H800IP LINUX NETEX Rel 7.0.0 2012/04

Figure 33. Display Version Command

DRAIN ADAPTER

Description

When a local adapter is drained, NetEx/IP immediately stops writing to or reading from the drained adapter. This is true regardless of the state of connections using that adapter. If a remote host attempts to establish a new connection on a route through a drained adapter, the local NetEx/IP will ignore those messages sent by the remote host.

Non-local adapters are adapters that are not attached to the host on which this NetEx/IP is running. After non-local adapters are drained, all new connections are established using routes through other adapters.

Once a session connection is established through a remote adapter that session continues to completion even after a DRAIN command has been entered for it.

Link or gateway adapters may not be drained at this time.

Format

DRAIN Adapter <uuss>

Parameters

uuss

The four HEX character network address (DREF) of the adapter to be drained.

DRAIN NETEX

Description

Prevents new sessions from being established. This command gracefully terminates all NETEX activity. When all sessions have completed, a message appears indicating that NETEX is drained. NETEX will await a START command to resume normal operation.

Connections in progress are not affected. Offers are taken down with a 3522. Local users attempting to establish a connection receive a 3505 NRBSTAT code. Remote users attempting to establish a connection receive a 3523 NRBSTAT code.

Format

DRAIN NETEX

DRAIN HOST

Description

Prevents users from establishing a connection with a host. When a user attempts to establish a connection, they receive a 3507 NRBSTAT code.

Format

DRAIN HOST rmthost

Parameters

rmthost

Specifies the remote host to be drained.

HALT SREF

Description

Immediately terminates a session. Local users with an active read receive a 3422 NRBSTAT code or a 3100 code on the next write request. An outstanding OFFER is terminated with a 3422 NRBSTAT code.

Format

Halt SRef n

Parameters

n

Specifies the SREF for the session to be halted. To determine the SREF number, use the "DISPLAY SESSION" command.

HELP and Ihelp

Description

- HELP Provides a list of NetEx/IP commands and command formats.
- ? Provides a list of NetEx/IP commands and command formats.
- lhelp Provides a list of NETEXOPER commands and command formats. lhelp must be lower case.

Format

HELP ?

lhelp

Parameters

None.

Comments

This command can be entered as either 'help' or '?' for NetEx/IP commands. Enter 'lhelp' for NETEXOPER commands.

KILL NETEX

Description

Immediately stops NETEX resources and terminates all NETEX activity. Connections in progress are terminated and a 0512 return code is inserted into all active NRBs.

Format

KILL NETEX

LOAD KEY

Description

This command loads the license key located in the NESikeys

Format

Load Key

LOAD NCT

Description

Transfers PAM files (data structures describing paths to remote hosts) created by the configuration manager to NETEX. Local adapter information cannot be changed by using this command.

The operator must first modify the NCT data file containing the configuration statements and run the CM utility to create the PAM file (refer to "Step 4: Build an NCT" in the appropriate appendix for your system). The filename given on the MAKEPAM statement must be the same name given on the LOAD command. Also, the local hostname specified on the MAKEPAM statement must be the same as the local host in NETEX (the local parameter in the ntx_default file). If the message "file not in PAMFILE format" is returned, check to see if your host name matches the NETEX local hostname.

Format

Load NCt filename

Parameters

filename

Specifies the fully qualified name of the PAM file to be loaded.

(/usr/share/nesi/netex/site/ntx_pam)

SET BUFOLIM

Description

Specifies the maximum number of buffers (segments) that may be outstanding at any time for a session. Prot 4 only.

Format

SET BUFOlim number

Parameters

number

Specifies the number of buffers (segments).

SET CONTIME

Description

Specifies the maximum number of seconds that NETEX will wait for a transport connect message to generate a response from the destination host. If this time is exceeded, the transport will assume the destination host is down and return appropriate status to the user. The transport connect message is resent every IDLETIME seconds until CONTIME seconds have passed.

Format

SET Contime seconds

Parameters

seconds

Specifies the number of seconds that NETEX waits to generate a response to a transport connection message.

SET DBGDATA

Description

Specifies the maximum number of data bytes to trace for any associated data block. To see the actual data, also set MSGLVL to "blither".

Format

SET DBGDATA byte_count

Parameters

byte_count

Specifies an integer to indicate the maximum number of data bytes to trace for any associated data block. The default is 0, which indicates that debug tracing is disabled.

SET DBGMSG

Description

Enables or disables the tracing of HYPERchannel messages between NETEX and the network. To see the actual data, also set msglvl to blither.

Format

SET DBGMSG value

Parameters

value

Specifies whether debug tracing is enabled or disabled. Specify 0 to disable tracing; specify any other value to enable tracing. The default is 0.

SET DBGREQ

Description

Enables or disables the tracing of user requests arriving at the NETEX protocol stack. When tracing is enabled, the user's NRB is traced. To see the actual data, also set msglvl to blither.

Format

SET DBGREQ value

Parameters

value

Specifies a value to indicate whether user requests are traced. Specify 0 to disable tracing; specify any other value to enable tracing. The default is 0.

SET DBGRET

Description

Enables or disables the tracing of user responses returned from the NETEX protocol stack. When tracing is enabled, the state of the user's final NRB is traced. To see the actual data, also set msglvl to blither.

Format

SET DBGRET value

Parameters

value

Specifies a value to indicate whether user responses are traced. Specify 0 to disable tracing; specify any other value to enable tracing. The default is 0.

SET DEADTIME

Description

Specifies the amount of time transport waits until it disconnects a connection because there was no response from the remote host. The remote host normally generates an idle message every IDLETIME seconds based on its own IDLETIME parameter. Receipt of any message from the remote host keeps the DEADTIME timer from expiring.

Format

SET DEadtime seconds

Parameters

seconds

Specifies the number of seconds (1-999) that NETEX waits until it disconnects a connection due to no response from the remote host.

SET DEFBI

Description

Specifies the default input buffer size for a connection. This default value is used if the user does not specify a maximum input buffer size in the CONNECT or OFFER request.

Format

SET DEFBI size

Parameters

size

Specifies the default input buffer size in bytes. DEFBI can be from 2048 bytes to the MAXBI value.

SET DEFBO

Description

Specifies the default output buffer size for a connection. This default value is used if the user does not specify a maximum output buffer size in the CONNECT or OFFER request.

Format

SET DEFBO size

Parameters

size

Specifies the default output buffer size in bytes. DEFBO can be from 2048 bytes to the MAXBO value.

SET IDLETIME

Description

Specifies the amount of time that transport will wait before sending an idle message to verify the continued existence of a party at the other end of a logical connection. The transmission of any message resets the timer.

Format

SET Idletime seconds

Parameters

seconds

Specifies the number of seconds NETEX waits before sending an idle message to the remote host.

SET IPROUTE

Description

Create an IP routing table entry.

Format

SET IProute uuss ipaddr

Parameters

uuss

The NCT defined NETADDR and SMGDREF of a host adapter.

ipaddr

Normal dotted decimal IP address format: xxx.xxx.xxx

Notes

Please note that all IP routing table updates made with this command are valid only as long as NetEx/IP is running. These changes will be lost should NetEx/IP be recycled. If the operator command 'LOAD NCT' is issued, the operator entered entry will only be replaced if there is a successful DNS lookup for that GNA.

SET MAXBI

Description

Specifies the maximum input buffer size that a user may specify on a CONNECT or OFFER call. This parameter sets a system wide maximum user buffer size. Its value and the size of the user buffer region determine possible fragmentation of the region and the maximum number of connections that can be supported.

Format

SET MAXBI size

Parameters

size

Specifies the maximum input buffer size (in bytes) that users can specify on a CONNECT or OFFER call. Size may be from current SEGSIZE to 65400 bytes, but must be greater than or equal to the default block-in value.

SET MAXBO

Description

Specifies the maximum output buffer size that a user may specify on a CONNECT or OFFER call. This parameter sets a system wide maximum user buffer size. Its value and the size of the user buffer region determine possible fragmentation of the region and the maximum number of connections that can be supported.

Format

SET MAXBO size

Parameters

size

Specifies the maximum output buffer size (in bytes) that users can specify on a CONNECT or OFFER call. Size may be from current SEGSIZE to 65400 bytes, but must be greater than or equal to the default block-out value.

SET MAXKBS

Description

Sets the maximum rate at which NetEx/IP will deliver data to the network for each network connection. If zero is specified, data will be delivered with no internal throttling. This value is only used for connections to hosts that do not have a 'rate' value specified in the PAM.

Format

SET MAXKBS n

Parameters

n

Specifies the maximum rate in Kbits per second. For example, a value of 50 means 50 Kbs; a value of 50000 means 50 Mbs (50,000 Kbs).

SET MBUFIN

Description

Sets the minimum number of buffers used for incoming data, unless overridden by rate, delay, and/or segsize considerations.

Format

SET MBUFIN n

Parameters

n

Specifies the number of buffers.

SET MBUFOUT

Description

Sets the minimum number of buffers used for outgoing data, unless overridden by rate, delay, and/or segsize considerations.

Format

SET MBUFOUT n

Parameters

n

Specifies the number of buffers.

SET MSGLVL

Description

Controls the severity of messages printed on the operator's console. The operator messages are grouped from 0-15. All messages with the specified level of severity or greater are displayed.

Format

SET MSGLvl level

Parameters

level

Specifies a keyword to indicate the level of messages to be displayed on the operator's console. Specify one of the following:

immediate Messages that require immediate action by the operator. Example: NETEX termination.
 important Messages that are of great interest to the operator and may require operator action. Examples: notification of all set drain, start, and clear commands; remote operator messages.
 interesting Messages regarding events that are of interest in closely monitored environments.
 blither Messages that are intended for diagnostic or debugging purposes. These messages are generally only of interest when a system programmer is attempting to diagnose a NETEX problem.

SET MSGSYSLOG

Description

Set where Netex msgs will be output

Format

SET MSGSyslog value

Parameters

value

0, 1, 2, or 3. A value of 0 means minimal output to the Netex log and no output to syslog. A value of 1 means output to the Netex log only. A value of 2 means output to the system log. A value of 3 means output to both logs.

SET MSGSYSLOGFAC

Description

Set how Netex msgs will be output to the system syslog

Format

SET MSGSYSLOGFac syslog_facility

Parameter

syslog_facility

This specifies how syslog msgs will be output. A default syslog facility code of "local3" will be used unless overridden.

The valid facility codes are system dependent. For Linux 2.6 they are:

auth authpriv cron daemon ftp kern lpr mail mark news security syslog user uucp local0 local1 local2 local3 local4 local5 local6 local7

It is recommended that only the local facility codes be used. Check with your system administrator for more information.

Ntx Msg Severity		Syslog Priority	
blither	0	DEBUG	7
debug	1	DEBUG	7
monitor	2	INFO	6
moderate	3	NOTICE	5
interesting	4	WARNING	4
important	5	ERR	3
immediate	6	ALERT	1

The syslog priority will be mapped to the Netex severity codes as follows:

SET MULTIHOST

Description

Specifies whether multihost is enabled or disabled. This parameter is important when using the TNP feature.

Format

SET MULTIhost value

Parameters

value

Specifies whether multihost is enabled or disabled. Specify ON to enable and OFF to disable.

SET NTXOPER

Description

Specifies whether the remote operator service is enabled or disabled.

Format

SET NTXOPer value

Parameters

value

Specifies whether the remote operator service is enabled or disabled. Specify ON to enable the remote operator service; specify OFF to disable the remote operator service. The default is ON.

SET POLLSEL

Description

Specifies whether to poll with no timeout or not.

Format

SET POLLSel {on | off}

Parameters

on | off

SET PREFPROT

Description

Sets the default preferred protocol type to use when connecting to hosts that support multiple NetEx/IP protocol types.

Format

SET PREFPROT n

Parameters

n

Specifies the default preferred protocol type. Specify 2 to use type-2 as the default protocol; specify 4 to use type-4 as the default protocol.

SET RCVDATAQHB

Description

This is the high threshold value (in bytes) for the size of the receiving NetEx DataQue for each network connection. If the size of the Data Queue exceeds this value, subsequent blocks received on the network that are greater than the highest received LRN are NAK'ed and discarded. Subsequent blocks will continue to be discarded until the size of the DataQue is reduced to the value specified by 'rcvdataqlb'. (Prot 4 only).

Format

SET RCVDATAQHB number

Parameters

number

Specifies the number of bytes.

SET RCVDATAQLB

Description

This is the low threshold value (in bytes) for the size of the receiving NetEx DataQue for each network connection. See the 'rcvdataqhb' parameter for the description of how this value is used. (Prot 4 only)

Format

SET RCVDATAQLB number

Parameters

number

Specifies the number of bytes.

SET RCVDATAQHS

Description

This is the high threshold value (in segments) for the size of the receiving NetEx DataQue for each network connection. If the size of the Data Queue exceeds this value, subsequent blocks received on the network that are greater than the highest received LRN are NAK'ed and discarded. Subsequent blocks will continue to be discarded until the size of the DataQue is reduced to the value specified by 'rcvdataqls'. (Prot 4 only).

Format

SET RCVDATAQHS number

Parameters

number

Specifies the number of segments.

SET RCVDATAQLS

Description

This is the low threshold value (in segments) for the size of the receiving NetEx DataQue for each network connection. See the 'rcvdataqhs' parameter for the description of how this value is used. (Prot 4 only)

Format

SET RCVDATAQLS number

Parameters

number

Specifies the number of segments.

SET REXMWBLKS

Description

If userexmitq is being used, this is the number of blocks to use to calculate the time to wait before rexmitting a block when it is NAKed.

Format

SET REXMWBlks number

Parameters

number

Specifies the number of segments. This number * segment size / rate will give the time to wait.

SET READTIME

Description

Specifies the number of seconds NETEX transport retains user data waiting for the receiver to issue a READ request. When this timer expires a disconnect will be flagged and sent to the remote process connected. The local process will be sent a disconnect message for READTIME seconds, if there is not already one there. When a disconnect times out, the transport connection will be cleared out and the Tref will become invalid for future user requests.

Format

SET REAdtime seconds

Parameter

seconds

Specifies the number of seconds (1-99999) NETEX transport retains user data waiting for a READ to be issued from the receiver.

SET ROPCLASS

Description

Specifies the class of operator commands that the remote operators will be allowed to issue.

Format

SET ROPClass class

Parameters

class

Specifies a value to indicate the class of remote operator commands to be available to remote hosts as follows:

A indicates that all commands are allowed.

G indicates that only display commands are allowed.

SET SESMAX

Description

Controls the number of session connections or OFFERs permitted at one time. If the current number of sessions is greater than the new value specified, the command will not affect sessions in progress but will deny any new requests until sessions are disconnected. If the current number of sessions is less than the new value, then there will be no immediate effect.

Format

SET SESMax number

Parameters

number

Specifies the number of connections and OFFERs to allow at one time (from 2 to the 255 value).

SET USERCVGAPQ

Description

This specifies whether or not to use the receive gap queue. Currently it should be always set to 0.

Format

SET USERCVgapq { 0 | 1 }

Parameters

0|1

0 means do not use the receive gap queue, 1 means use it.

SET USEREXMITQ

Description

This specifies whether or not to use the rexmit queue. NAKed blocks will queue for a certain amount of time determined by segsize and rexmwblks before being rexmitted. This can allow an ACK to come in during that time and avoid a retransmission. Useful when block are being delivered out of order on the network.

Format

SET USEREXmitq { 0 | 1 }

Parameters

0 | 1

0 means do not use the rexmit queue, 1 means use it.

SET WDOGINT

Description

Specifies the number of seconds that elapse between NETEX's checking for timed-out conditions in the NRB requests. If a READ has a timeout value specified as 10 seconds, and the WDOGINT is also 10 seconds, the READ will actually timeout in the range 10-20 seconds.

Format

SET WDogint seconds

Parameters

seconds

Specifies the number of seconds that NETEX uses as a base unit for checking time out values.

START NETEX

Description

Restarts NETEX after it has been drained using the DRAIN NETEX command.

Format

START NETEX

START ADAPTER

Description

Start a DRAINED adapter.

Format

STart Adapter <uuss>

Parameters

uuss

The four HEX character network address (DREF) of the adapter to be started.

START HOST

Description

Starts a remote host which had been drained.

Format

START HOST rmthost

Parameters

rmthost

Specifies the name of the remote host to be started.

Appendix A: NRB Error Codes

When a NETEX request is issued, the results of the request are returned in one or both of two NRB fields, NRBSTAT and NRBIND. These fields are located at the beginning of the NRB to make their subsequent examination by high level language programs a simpler matter.

NRBSTAT is designed to indicate if an operation is in progress and whether it completed successfully. NRBIND is designed to indicate the type of information that arrived as the result of a read type command (OFFER or READ).

When the operation is accepted by the NETEX user interface, the value of NRBSTAT is set to a -1. Thus, the sign of this word is an "operation in progress" flag for all implementations.

If an operation completed successfully, NRBSTAT is returned as all zeroes. If a read-type command was issued, then an "indication" is set in NRBIND. The termination of a session is always indicated by a disconnect indication in NRBIND regardless of the request type.

If the operation did not complete successfully, then NRBSTAT contains a standard error code. NRBSTAT is represented as four decimal digits. The thousands digit denotes the origin of the error; the low order three digits identify the error type. The codes for error origin are as follows.

Code	Description
0xxx	NETEX general. Errors detected by the user interface that prohibit proper process of the command.
1xxx	Driver level errors.
2xxx	Transport level errors.
3xxx	Session level errors.
4xxx	Network level errors.
5xxx-8xxx	Reserved for future NETEX functions
90xx	Reserved for errors returned by user exits on the local host
91xx	Reserved for errors returned by user exits on the remote host during the connection process.
9200-32767	Reserved for future NETEX functions.

Table 2. Origin of NRB Error Codes

0xxx and 90xx errors can be returned to any user program that accesses any level of NETEX services. Normally, an application that accesses services at say, transport level receives only those errors (2xxx) related to transport services. However, the principle within NETEX is that if a level elects to abort the user's request based on an error returned by a lower level of software, then the error code should be "rippled up" to the user rather than summarized at the higher level. For example, driver might report a "power off" or "not operation" status to transport if there is an adapter failure. If transport decided that this error type should cause loss of communications, then the 1xxx error is returned to the user along with a Disconnect Indication in NRBIND when the next user read command was issued.

Following that, the second digit places the errors in categories:

Digit	Category
x0xx	NETEX general or inconsistent NRB formats
x1xx	Specification errors in parameters passed to a particular protocol level
x2xx	Hardware errors
x3xx	Request out of sequence and read timeouts
x4xx	NETEX Initiated disconnect errors
x5xx	Errors during connection

Table 3. Origin of NRB Error Codes, Part 2

Note the following when using these codes:

The error codes at each level are as common as possible. Thus, a 2103 error in transport would have substantially the same meaning as a 3103 error in session, and a 1361 error would not be defined at (for example) the Driver level if a 3361 error meant something entirely different at the Session level.

Some errors cause the loss of the connection or result in a connection not being established. Any status code that implies that the connection is no longer useful has a 6 (Disconnect Indication) returned in NRBSTAT. Any attempts to issue further requests to that connection have a x100 (no Nref) error returned to it.

All errors that result in the loss of the connection and a Disconnect Indication in NRBIND are indicated by an asterisk (*) following the error code number.

Note: A 0000 in field NRBSTAT means successful completion of the NETEX request. A -1 means that the request is still in progress.

The following sections describe the errors in numerical order starting with general NETEX error, followed by driver, transport, and session level errors.

General Errors

The following errors are general NETEX errors.

0000	Successful completion
0001	A read type operation completed normally within NETEX, but the Pdata buffer provided by the user was not large enough to hold the data. NRBLEN and NRBUBIT reflect the amount of data the other party intended to send. However, the amount of data moved to the user's program was only the amount of addressable units specified in NRBBUFL. NRBIND specifies the type of data sent to the user. Requests affected: OFFER, READ. The status of the connection is not affected.
0002	NRBBUFL and NRBBUFA do not specify a block of storage that fits entirely within the user's addressable memory. The operation is suppressed. All requests are affected. The status of the connection is unaffected.
0003	On a write type operation, the unused bit count(NRBUBIT) specifies a larger number of bits than are in the machine's word (addressable unit size). The operation is suppressed; the status of the connection is not affected.
0004	The request code(NRBREQ) is not valid. The operation is ignored, and the status of the connection specified by NRBNREF is not affected

0011	plementation defined NETEX maximum. The operation is suppressed. The status of the connection is not affected. A read-type operation completed normally within NETEX, but the Odata buffer provided by the user was not large enough to hold the data. NRBPROTL reflects the amount of data
	the other party intended to send; however, the amount of data moved to the user's program was only the amount of addressable units originally specified in NRBPROTL. NRBIND specifies the type of data sent to the user. Requests affected: OFFER, READ. The status of the connection is not affected
0012	NRBPROTL and NRBPROTA do not specify a block of storage that fits entirely within the user's addressable memory. The operation is suppressed. All requests are affected. The status of the connection is unaffected.
0021	A read-type operation completed normally within NETEX, but BOTH the Odata and Pdata buffers were too small to hold the incoming data. NRBLEN/NRBUBIT and NRBPROTL reflect the amount of data the other party intended to send; however, the amount of data moved to the user's program was only the amount of addressable units originally specified in NRBLEN and NRBPROTL. NRBIND specifies the type of data sent to the user. Re- quest affected: OFFER, READ. The status of the connection is not affected.
0100*	The user interface detected that the NRBNREF in the NRB does not refer to a connection currently in use by the application program. Probable cause is a bad CONNECT, OFFER, or ASSIGN or failure to handle an incoming Disconnect.
0310	The user has attempted to re-use an NRB before a previous request issued with that NRB has completed. The request will be rejected. When the original request issued with that NRB completes, then the NRB will be once more updated with the status of that request.
0500*	NETEX is not currently running on the local computer. Intervention by the local computer operator will be required to start NETEX. This code is issued by the NETEX user interface when it is determined that NETEX is unavailable.
0503*	An OFFER, CONNECT, or ASSIGN request has resulted in the number of connections outstanding for the caller exceeding an implementation defined maximum. The new connection request is rejected.
0504*	The user program is not authorized to use the user interface facilities needed to communi- cate with NETEX. No use of NETEX is possible until the user gains the appropriate au- thorization
0505*	NETEX is currently being drained by the computer operator in preparation for a NETEX shutdown. No new OFFER, CONNECT, or ASSIGN requests will be accepted. The request is rejected. The status of already existing connections is not affected.
0511*	A CONNECT or ASSIGN request would exceed the total number of driver service level connections to NETEX. The new connection request is rejected.
0512*	The NETEX program is aborting execution due either to internal NETEX software prob- lems or cancellation by the computer operator. No further traffic with NETEX will be pos- sible. This error will be issued to complete a request that was issued when NETEX was running normally. Table 4. General NRB Error Codes

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Host Specific Errors

0913	The number of concurrent NETEX requests has exceeded the number of available NETEX
	NRBs. The request can be retried at a later time.

 Table 5. Host Specific NRB Error Codes

License Specific Errors

0600	License does not support IP
0601	License does not support HyperChannel (NESiGate)
0602	License does not support protocol 4
0610	Can't read license
0611	License is invalid
0612	License has expired
0613	License does not support TNP

Table 6. License Specific NRB Error Codes

Driver Service Errors

1005	The length of data on a DWRITE is greater than a host-specified maximum. The request is rejected.
1006	The length of data received on a DREAD is greater than a host-specified maximum. The request is rejected.
1100*	The Dref specified by the NRBNREF is not in use or is not owned by this application pro- gram. The request is rejected. The status of the other connections owned by this applica- tion remains unchanged.
1101	The DATAMODE field of a NETEX format network message is not valid for this particu- lar host; or, the message is routed through the driver (intra-host) and Assem- bly/Disassembly cannot be performed.
1102	The specified value of the Associated Data bit in the hardware message area does not match the presence or absence of associated data as specified in NRBLEN. DWRITW is affected. The driver assignment remains in effect. Both NETEX format and arbitrary format network messages are affected.
1103	The specified length of the message proper does not fit, it is not between 8 to 64 bytes in- clusive. Only writes (DWRITE) may obtain this response. The driver assignment remains in effect. Both NETEX format and arbitrary format network messages are affected.
1200	"Power off", "not operational", or a similar indication of local adapter unavailability was discovered when physical I/O was issued. The status of the assignment is not affected, but it is unlikely that driver communications can continue without operator intervention.
1201	The network adapter has reported an error in processing the DREAD or DWRITE request. The adapter model dependent detailed status may be obtained by issuing a DSTATUS function.

1300	A DREAD or DCONNECT request timed-out before any data was received on the net- work. The time value used for the timeout was in NRBTIME. No data was received. The status of the driver connection is not affected.
1304	The number of DWRITE requests outstanding against a single connection exceeds an im- plementation defined maximum. The DWRITE request is rejected. The status of the con- nection and the previous DWRITE requests remains unchanged.
1305	The number of DREAD requests outstanding against a single connection exceeds an im- plementation defined maximum. The DREAD request is rejected. The status of the con- nection and the previous DREAD requests remains unchanged.
1306	A DREAD or a DWRITE was detected when the connection was in disconnect mode.
1310	The device service was forced to discard the Associated Data segment of a message be- cause no DREAD was issued within a sufficient time of the arrival of the network message. The message proper is returned to the user. Also, a DWRITE will receive this error if an intra-host DWRITE cannot be matched with an outstanding DREAD by another driver us- er. In that case, the message proper will be queued and associated data discarded.
1311	Message proper's have been lost because of excess demand for the Driver service's re- sources. One or more messages that arrived before the current message were totally dis- carded by the driver service. This will be provided as a DREAD error or an intra-host DWRITE.
1312	A request for a privileged service such as diagnostic mode has been issued to the driver. The request is rejected as the user does not have sufficient implementation dependent privi- leges. This error applies to both DREAD requests and intra-host writes (DWRITE).
1501*	A specific Dref requested by the DCONNECT is already in use. If a nonspecific request was made, all driver paths are in use.
1503*	The number of user driver attaches permitted by NETEX has been exceeded. Driver service cannot be offered at this time. The DCONNECT is rejected.
1504*	Driver service is not directly available to applications programs. This service can only be made available by the installation systems programmer.
1505*	NETEX is currently being "drained" by the computer operator. No new driver service (DCONNECT) requests are being accepted.
1506*	The specific Dref (adapter address) requested by a DCONNECT does not exist on this local host.
1507*	The specific Dref (adapter address) exists on the local host, but the NETEX operator has drained that adapter so no new requests for driver service (DCONNECT requests) can be accepted on that adapter.
1509*	The specified value of NRBBLKO exceeds an installation or implementation defined max- imum. The DCONNECT request is rejected.
1510*	The specified value of NRBBLKI exceeds an installation or implementation defined max- imum. The DCONNECT request is rejected.
1601	Hardware error – lost interrupt.
1605	Driver initialization failed.

1606	NTX minor device in use.
1612	Cannot attach to shared memory.
1614	NRB not in shared memory.
1628	Driver is out of buffer space.

 Table 7. Driver Service NRB Error Codes

Transport Service Errors

2005	During a WRITE operation, the length of the buffer as specified by NRBLEN exceeds the maximum buffer size found in NRBBLKO. The WRITE operation is rejected. The connection remains outstanding.
2008	During a segmented write, NRBLEN exceeds the segment size.
2100*	The Tref specified by NRBNREF is not in use or is not owned by this application program. The request is rejected. The status of the other connections owned by this application re- mains unchanged.
2101	The DATAMODE field in the NRB is not valid for the local host. The write operation (SWRITE, TWRITE, SCONNECT, TCONNECT, SCLOSE, TCLOSE) is suppressed. The connection (if previously established) remains in effect.
2103	The quantity of Odata provided exceeds an implementation defined maximum. The re- quest is rejected.
2300	The timeout value associated with a TREAD request resulted in a request timing out before any data or other indication was received from the corresponding application.
2301	TCONNECT, TOFFER, or TCONFIRM has been issued for a connection that is already fully established. The request is rejected. The status of the connection remains unchanged. Some implementations may return a 2301 code for any "out of sequence" series of request to Transport.
2302	A connect indication was received by a preceding offer, and a request other than TCONFIRM or TDISCONNECT was issued. The request is rejected. NETEX will continue to wait for the confirm or disconnect request.
2303	A TCONNECT request was previously issued, then a request other than a TREAD to read the Confirm of Disconnect indication was issued. The request is rejected. NETEX will continue to wait for the TREAD request.
2304	The number of TWRITE requests outstanding against a single connection exceeds an im- plementation defined maximum (usually one). The TWRITE request is rejected. The sta- tus of the connection and the previous TWRITE requests remains unchanged.
2305	The number of TREAD requests outstanding against a single connection exceeds an implementation defined maximum (usually one). The TREAD request is rejected. The status of the connection and the previous TREAD requests remains unchanged.
2306	A TWRITE request has been issued to a transport connection that is in the process of servicing a remote caller or NETEX initiated Disconnect. A Disconnect Indication is pending from NETEX.
2307	A TREAD request has been issued to a transport connection that is in the process of servic- ing a remote caller or NETEX initiated Disconnect. A Disconnect Indication is pending from NETEX.
2308	A write type request (TWRITE or another TCLOSE) has been issued against a connection that has accepted a previous TCLOSE.

2400*	No response has been received from the remote NETEX for a period of elapsed time (DEADTO) specified by the installation systems programmer. The connection is terminated. A Disconnect Indication will be found in the NRBIND.
2402*	The remote application has failed to issue a TREAD request for a period of elapsed time (READTO) specified by the installation systems programmer on the remote host. The connection is terminated. A Disconnect Indication will be found in NRBIND.
2403	The remote application exited without issuing an explicit Disconnect back to the local application. The connection is terminated. A Disconnect Indication will be found in NRBIND.
2500*	A connect message was repeatedly sent to the remote host in response to a previous TCONNECT request, but no response was received for a period of elapsed time (CONTO) specified by the installation systems programmer.
2503*	The number of transport connections permitted by NETEX has been exceeded. Transport service cannot be offered at this time. The TCONNECT or TOFFER is rejected.
2504*	Transport service is not directly available to applications programs. This service can only be made available by the installation systems programmer.
2505*	NETEX is currently being "drained" by the computer operator. No new request for Transport services (TCONNECT of TOFFER requests) are being accepted.
2506*	The Physical Address Map passed to Transport for a connection is not valid. If this mes- sage was returned from a SCONNECT request, the Network Configuration list was incor- rectly generated.
2509	The specified value of NRBBLKO exceeds an installation or implementation defined max- imum. The connection request is rejected.
2510*	The specified value of NRBBLKI exceeds an installation or implementation defined max- imum. The connection request is rejected.
2511*	The specified Class of Service is not implemented. Table 8. Transport Service NBB Error Codes

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Session Service Errors

3005	During a WRITE operation, the length of the buffer as specified by NRBLEN exceeds the maximum buffer size found in NRBBLKO. The WRITE operation is rejected. The connection remains outstanding.
3006	The length of PDATA sent on a CONNECT, CONFIRM, or DISCONNECT is greater than the maximum allowed. The request is rejected.
3008	During a WRITE, NRBLEN exceeds segment size.
3100*	The Sref specified by NRBNREF is not in use or is not owned by this applications pro- gram. The request is rejected. The status of other connections owned by this application remains unchanged.
3101	On an SWRITE request for intra-host communications, a DATAMODE was specified that is not supported for internal communications.
3103	The quantity of Odata provided exceeds an implementation defined maximum. The re- quest is rejected.
3300	An SREAD or SOFFER request timed-out before a response was received on the network. If the timed request is an SREAD, the status of the connection was not affected. If an SOFFER timed out, then the connection will not have taken place.
3301	SCONNECT, SOFFER, or SCONFIRM has been issued for a connection that is already fully established. The request is rejected. The status of the connections remains unchanged.
3302	A connect indication was received by a preceding SOFFER, and a request other than SCONFIRM or SDISCONNECT was issued. The request is rejected. NETEX will continue to wait for the confirm or disconnect request.
3303	A SCONNECT request was previously issued, then a request other than an SREAD or SDISCONNECT was issued. The request is rejected. NETEX will continue to wait for the SREAD or SDISCONNECT request.
3304	The number of SWRITE requests outstanding against a single connection exceeds an implementation defined maximum (usually one). The SWRITE request is rejected. The status of the connection and the previous SWRITE requests remains unchanged.
3305	The number of SREAD requests outstanding against a single connection exceeds an implementation defined maximum (usually one). The SREAD request is rejected. The status of the connection and the previous SREAD requests remains unchanged.
3306	A SWRITE has been issued to a session connection that is in the process of servicing a re- mote caller or NETEX initiated Disconnect. A Disconnect Indication is pending from NETEX.
3307	A SREAD request has been issued to a session connection that is in the process of servic- ing a remote caller or NETEX initiated Disconnect. A Disconnect Indication is pending from NETEX.
3308	A write type request (SWRITE or another SCLOSE) has been issued against a connection that has accepted a previous SCLOSE.

3402*	The remote application has failed to issue an SREAD request for a period of elapsed time (READTO) specified by the installation systems programmer on the remote host. The connection is terminated. A Disconnect Indication will be found in NRBIND.
3403*	The remote application exited without issuing an explicit Disconnect back to the local application. The connection is terminated. A Disconnect Indication will be found in NRBIND
3404	Explanation: The session has been disconnected because the KILL NETEX command was issued for the local or remote NetEx.
3422	HALT SREF was issued by operator.
3500*	A connect message was repeatedly sent to the remote host in response to a previous TCONNECT request, but no response was received for a period of elapsed time (CONTO) specified by the installation systems programmer. Probable cause is the absence of the NETEX software on the remote host. The SCONNECT terminates with a Disconnect Indication in NRBIND.
3501*	The PNAME specified is not OFFERed on the HOST specified during the SCONNECT. The SCONNECT terminates with a Disconnect Indication in NRBIND.
3502*	The PNAME specified was not OFFERed on the HOST specified during the SCONNECT. However, a session that was previously established by OFFERing the requested PNAME is now in progress on the remote machine. If the remote application elects to re-OFFER the connection in the future the service might be available at that time. (In other words, the remote application is "busy.")
3503*	The number of user session connections permitted by NETEX has been exceeded. Session service cannot be offered at this time. The SCONNECT or SOFFER is rejected.
3504*	Session service is not directly available to applications programs. This service can only be made available by the installation systems programmer.
3505*	NETEX is currently being "drained" by the computer operator. No new requests for Session services (SCONNECT and SOFFER) are being accepted.
3506*	The HOST specified in an SCONNECT request does not exist anywhere on the network generated by the installation systems programmer. The SDISCONNECT terminates with a Disconnect Indication in NRBIND.
3507*	The HOST specified exists on the installation generated network configuration, but the lo- cal computer operator has specified that no session level connections take place with that particular host. The SCONNECT terminates with a Disconnect Indication in NRBIND.
3508*	The HOST specified exists on the installation generated network configuration, but no communications path exists between the local host and the specified remote host. The SCONNECT terminates with a Disconnect Indication in NRBIND.
3509*	The specified value of NRBBLKO exceeds an installation or implementation defined max- imum. The connection request is rejected.
3510*	The specified value of NRBBLKI exceeds an installation or implementation defined max- imum. The connection request is rejected.
3511*	The Class of Service request is not currently implemented.
3522*	NETEX was drained while this outstanding OFFER was not complete.

3523*	NETEX was DRAINed when a connect was received. This error is returned by the Session Manager to the connector.
3550*	The local host specified on an SOFFER or SCONNECT does not exist in the NETEX Ad- ministrator's NCT. The request is rejected at the Administrator.
3552*	The local host specified on an SOFFER or SCONNECT request in not in the NETEX Ad- ministrator's domain. The request is rejected.
3553*	The Physical Address Map (PAM) sent along with an OFFER or CONNECT request to the Administrator does not match any PAM that the Administrator can generate. The request is rejected.

 Table 9. Session Service NRB Error Codes

Network Service Errors

4100*	The Nref specified by NRBNREF is not in use or is not owned by this application program. The request is rejected. The status of other connections owned by this application remains unchanged.
4101	In a Network connection that is intra-host (causing no network adapter traffic) a DATAMODE was requested on the NWRITE that is not supported for intra-host communications. The block will be sent to the destination process using bit stream (DATAMODE 0) transmission.
4104	Checksum on an incoming driver level message is not correct. The message and data re- ceived will be returned to the DREAD caller along with the error code but the data should, of course, be considered suspect. The status of the driver assignment is not affected.
4105	The length of the Pdata was less than or substantially different from the specified length in the message proper. This comparison is performed after adjustment for incoming A/D modes. Sufficient slop in this comparison will be done to accommodate those machines that must send information in multiples of the word size.
4300	The timeout value associated with an NREAD request resulted in a request timing out be- fore any data or other indication was received from the corresponding application.
4301	NCONNECT or NOFFER has been issued for a connection that is already fully estab- lished. The request is rejected. The status of the connection remains unchanged. Some implementations may return a 4301 code for any "out of sequence" series of requests to Network Service.
4304	The number of NWRITE requests outstanding against a single connection exceeds an im- plementation defined maximum (usually one). The NWRITE request is rejected. The sta- tus of the connection and the previous NWRITE requests remains unchanged.
4305	The number of NREAD requests outstanding against a single connection exceeds an im- plementation defined maximum (usually one). The NREAD request is rejected. The status of the connection and the previous NREAD requests remains unchanged.
4306	A NWRITE has been issued to a transport connection that is in the process of servicing a NETEX initiated Disconnect. A Disconnect Indication is pending from NETEX.
4307	A NREAD request has been issued to a transport connection that is in the process of servic- ing a NETEX initiated Disconnect. A Disconnect Indication is pending from NETEX.
4403*	When processing an NWRITE request, Network Service found that a network Virtual Cir- cuit between two Network applications no longer exists. The Network connection is termi- nated.
4501*	A specific Nref requested by the NCONNECT or NOFFER is already in use.
4503*	The number of user Network connections permitted by NETEX has been exceeded. Network service cannot be offered at this time. The NCONNECT or NOFFER is rejected.
4504*	Network service is not directly available to applications programs. This service can only be made available by the installation systems programmer.
4505*	NETEX is currently being "drained" by the computer operator. No new requests for Net- work services (NCONNECT or NOFFER requests) are being accepted.

4506*	The Physical Address Map passed to Network for a connection is not valid. If this message was returned from an SCONNECT request the Network Configuration list was incorrectly generated.	
4509*	The specified value of NRBBLKO exceeds an installation or implementation defined max- imum. The connection request is rejected.	
4510*	The specified value of NRBBLKI exceeds an installation or implementation defined max- imum. The connection request is rejected	
4511*	The specified Class of Service is not implemented.	
4512*	During an attempt to establish a virtual circuit on HYPERbus or other equipment, a com- ponent of the network physically did not respond. The circuit cannot be established.	
4513*	During an attempt to establish a virtual circuit on HYPERbus or other equipment, a com- ponent of the network could not honor the request because all its circuit facilities were "busy." The circuit cannot be established at the current time.	
4514*	During an attempt to establish a virtual circuit on HYPERbus or other equipment, a component of the network could not honor the request because of an equipment failure.	
9001	User exit rejected request (Completion). The request has been failed by the user interface because NETEX has completed processing.	

Table 10. Network Service NRB Error Codes

Appendix B: Messages

This section contains a description of the messages issued by NetEx/IP. These messages are displayed in the 'ntxlog'.

Each message is prefixed with a date and timestamp of the following format:

Sun Jan 27 01:03:52 2008

Messages:

ISOFFR nref n uname : offering pname at hname, t secs

Description: An OFFER has been issued by the NetEx/IP application that is running under the user name 'uname'.

n	identifies the internal NetEx/IP session reference number	
uname	identifies the user name under which the NetEx/IP application is running.	
pname	identifies the NetEx/IP OFFER name of the application.	
hname	identifies the name of the host on which the OFFER occurred (local host)	
t	identifies the OFFER timeout value specified by the application.	

User Response:

None.

ISCONN nref n uname : connecting to pname at hname, path from aa to bb

Description: A CONNECT has been issued by the NetEx/IP application that is running under the user name 'uname'.

n	identifies the internal NetEx/IP session reference number	
uname	identifies the user name under which the NetEx/IP application is running.	
pname	identifies the NetEx/IP name of the remote application (remote OFFER name	
hname	identifies the name of the host being connected to (remote host).	
aa	identifies the local unit portion of the network path address	
bb	identifies the remote unit portion of the network path address	

User Response:

None.

Description: An OFFER has been completed (connected to) by a remote NetEx/IP application, and the subsequent CONFIRM has been issued.

identifies the internal NetEx/IP session reference number of the local application.	
identifies the user name under which the NetEx/IP application is running.	
identifies the NetEx/IP OFFER name of the application.	
identifies the internal NetEx/IP session reference number of the remote application	
identifies the name of the host on which the OFFER occurred (local host)	

User Response:

None.

ISCLOS nref n uname : closing

Description: A CLOSE has been issued by the NetEx/IP application that is running under the user name 'uname'.

n identifies the internal NetEx/IP session reference number of the local application.

uname identifies the user name under which the NetEx/IP application is running.

User Response:

None.

ISDISC nref n uname : disconnecting

Description: A DISCONNECT has been issued by the NetEx/IP application that is running under the user name 'uname'.

n identifies the internal NetEx/IP session reference number of the local application.

uname identifies the user name under which the NetEx/IP application is running.

User Response:

None.

FINISHSESSION nref n : nrbreq = rr, nrbstat = ssss, nrbind = i

Description: A NetEx connection is terminated, due to the reason indicated in the message.

n	identifies the internal NetEx/IP session reference number of the local message.
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rr identifies the NetEx/IP request type.

- ssss identifies the reason for the session failure. Refer to "Appendix A: NRB Error Codes" on page 147 for a description of the possible status codes.
 - identifies the status of the connection
 - 6 session is disconnected

User Response:

None.

i

NEXTPAM nref n : new path from aa to bb

Description: An APR (alternate path retry) operation has occurred for the indicated session connection.

n identifies the internal NetEx/IP session reference number

aa identifies the local unit portion of the new network path address

bb identifies the remote unit portion of the new network path address

User Response:

None.

NETEX: network protocol error n

Description: A netex network protocol error has been detected. The specific error is identified by "n"

1	Attempt to reroute non-offering side		
2	Attempt to confirm to offerer		
3	Actual data shorter than specified in protocol		
4	D-read failed		
5	Not a NETEX message		
6	Checksum error		
9	Awaiting the second part of a two-part message after the first part was already received. We received a new one-part message instead.		
10	Received the second part of a two-part message prior to receiving the first part.		
11	Awaiting the second part of a two-part message after the first part was already received. We received the first part of a different two-part message instead.		
12	Two-part message error—no P-data or O-data		
13	Invalid network unique id		
14	Bad status creating TUB NDB		

User Response:

None. Netex reports the invalid message and continues. This situation can sometimes occur when messages are dropped on busy networks.

NETEX: transport protocol error n

Description: A netex transport protocol error has been detected. The specific error is identified by "n"

1	base field too small
2	protocol level is not greater than or equal to 2
3	invalid message type
4	connect attempt to unlicensed PROT_4
5	tdb->tdblrn > tub->tubrplrn
6	'disc' sub-field in 'x' msg type, 'type'
7	invalid sub-field type 'x', 'type'
8	sub-field 'x' too small = 'y', 'type', 'size'
9	sub-field 'x' length 'y' overlaps total transport length 'z', 'type', 'size', 'length'
10	New path has smaller segsize

User Response:

None. Netex reports the invalid message and continues.

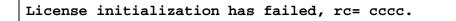
Message received with no read active

Description: A Netex message was received on the network, but there was no Netex 'read' request active at the time. Message is dropped.

User Response:

None. Netex reports the condition and continues.

Repeated occurrences of this message could indicate the Netex 'DREADQUEUE' parameter might need to be increased.



Explanation: The Netex license initialization has failed. "cccc" specifies the reason code for the failure:

9001 : expiring

9002 : expired

9003: expired - product non-functional

9004 : license open error

9005 : invalid key

9007 : no fingerprint

Operator Response: Notify the person responsible for the NetEx installation.

Programmer Response: Verify that the software key is correctly installed. If the key is incorrect, contact Network Executive Software, Inc. to obtain the correct license key.

License verification has failed, rc= cccc.

Explanation: Specifies the reason code for the failure:

9001 : expiring
9002 : expired
9003: expired – product non-functional
9004: key file not found
9005 : invalid key
9007 : no fingerprint

Operator Response: Notify the person responsible for the NetEx installation.

Programmer Response: Verify that the software key is correctly installed. If the key is incorrect, contact Network Executive Software, Inc. to obtain the correct license key.

Appendix C: Running Multiple NetExes

Atypical Operations

The standard implementation of a NetEx configuration on a UNIX server is a single instance of NetEx running and the applications using the standard API library to use this instance of NetEx. There are reasonable situations where it may be advantageous to have multiple instances of NetEx running on a single UNIX server. One may be for redundancy in a clustered environment. Another would be certain NetEx connections from a single server that might require different transport parameters to run efficiently.

This section outlines what needs to be done to run multiple NetExes on the UNIX server. It is recommended that customers review their implementation plan with NESi Support at support@netex.com prior to going to production.

This section explains which NetEx parameters and shell environment overrides need to be configured to support multiple instances of NetEx on a single server.

Required Shell Environment Variables

NetEx will interpret the following shell environment variable to determine which file to use when starting NetEx:

• NTXDEFAULT – The fully qualified filename of the ntx_default file to be used when starting this NetEx instance. The default file contains startup parameters for this NetEx.

NetEx applications (via the NetEx API library) interpret the following shell environment variable to select the particular NetEx to use:

• NETEX_DEVICE – Set to the named socket of the NetEx an application wants to use for data transfer. This is the ntx_default mailbox setting described below.

Required ntx_default File Parameter Settings

- Local Defines a unique NetEx hostname for this NetEx instance
- Mbxname Defines a uniquely named mailbox this NetEx will use to communicate with applications
- Pamfile The pam file created for this NetEx instance hostname.
- ip1intrf Set to 0 (zero)so this NetEx binds to specific IP address(es).
- Device Defines the unique GNA address(es) to use for this NetEx instance

Suggested ntx_default File

Ntxlogname – Defines the NetEx log name to use for this NetEx instance. It is suggested that each NetEx instance have its own log.

Order of Events For Multiple NetEx Instances On a Server:

- 1. Configure a ntx_default file for each NetEx instance
- 2. Define NTXDEFAULT shell environment variable.
- 3. Start netex
- 4. Define shell environment variable NETEX_DEVICE for the desired NetEx
- 5. Start application(s) (i.e. ntxoper, bfxjs, etc.)
- 6. Repeat steps 1-3 for additional NetEx instances.

7. Repeat steps 4 and 5 for additional jobs.

Example of Two Netexes on a Server

The following is a diagram symbolizing a server with two Netexes, each with their own bfx jobs, bfxjs and ntxoper applications.

bfxjob	bfxjob
Bfxjs.jack	Bfxjs.jill
ntxoper	ntxoper
netex1 NetEx Hostname: Jack	netex2 NetEx Hostname: Jill
Default file: /usr/nesi/netex/ntx_default.jack	Default File: /usr/nesi/netex/ntx_default.jill

Note the applications using NetEx do not have to be uniquely named, just that the appropriate NETEX_DEVICE shell environment variable needs to be set for the desired NetEx. The exception to this is bfxjs as the bfxstart script checks if bfxjs is already running. For ease of tracking started jobs or troubleshooting the job instances may be uniquely named to identify their preferred NetEx instance.

The following is illustrates the requirements for the above example for the ntx_default file entries and environment variables for netex1 and netex2 when defining them to run on a single host, or in a cluster where running on a single host may occur.

Netex1

1. /usr/nesi/netex/site/Ntx_default. jack file entries:

local	jack	
mbxname	/var/run/netexserver.jack	
pamfile	/usr/nesi/netex/site/ntx_pam.jack	
ntxlogname	/var/opt/netex/ntx.jack.log	
iplintrf	0	
device1	UDP-6950-00001704	

2. When starting the netex1 instance set the following shell environment parameter:

NTXDEFAULT=/usr/nesi/netex/site/ntx_default.jack

(i.e. "export NTXDEFAULT=/usr/nesi/netex/site/ntx_default.jack" after login and before starting NetEx)

- 3. File /usr/nesi/netex/site/ntx_default.jack will be used as the default file during NetEx startup /usr/nesi/netex/ntx &
- 4. To start a NetEx application to use the netex1 instance, set the following shell environment variable:

NETEX_DEVICE=/var/run/netexserver.jack

(i.e. "export NETEX_DEVICE=/var/run/netexserver.jack")

5. You can then start the application and jack will be used for the data transfer. For example: /usr/nesi/bfx/bin/bfxstart.jack

Netex2

1. /usr/nesi/netex/site/ntx_default.jill file entries:

local	jill
mbxname	/var/run/netexserver.jill
pamfile	/usr/nesi/netex/site/ntx_pam.jill
ntxlogname	/var/opt/netex/ntx.jill.log
ip1intrf	0
device1	UDP-6950-00001804
device1	UDP-6950-00001804

2. When starting the netex2 instance set the following shell environment parameter:

NTXDEFAULT=/usr/nesi/netex/site/ntx_default.jill

- 3. File /usr/nesi/netex/site/ntx_default.jill will be used as the default file during NetEx startup
- 4. To start a NetEx application to use the netex2 instance, set the following shell environment parameter:

NETEX_DEVICE=/var/run/netexserver.jill

5. You can then start the application and jill will be used for the data transfer.

Other Considerations

When monitoring NetEx using ntxoper commands, the NETEX_DEVICE environment variable must be set appropriately to view the specific NetEx instance.

Automated jobs submitted to NetEx must also set the NETEX_DEVICE parameter to use the proper NetEx.

In the event a remote host job starts a NetEx application on the server where multiple NetEx instances are running, the remote host job must set the appropriate NETEX_DEVICE parameter on the multi-NetEx server.

It may be more convenient to use a shell script to wrap these functions and name it for the appropriate NetEx. i.e. ntxoper.jill sets the variable prior to the actual ntxoper call.

If the standard NetEx and NetEx application startup procedures will be used, they will have to be modified to start, stop and monitor the specific Netex or the NetEx application. Bfxstart and bfxstop scripts must be modified to look for the appropriate bfxjs started for each instance of NetEx.

If the NetEx log names have changed for this deployment, the scripts for managing the NetEx logs will have to be adjusted as well.

Using unique process names for each NetEx (i.e. symbolic links for each name to ntx) will assist in limiting confusion when monitoring the system process statuses.

Appendix D: H800IP Linux Installation

Prerequisites

The following are hardware and software prerequisites for installing the H800IP product.

- An Intel compatible system running a supported Linux OS. Review the website for supported OS distributions.
- At least one other processor on the network running NetEx/IP software. This processor should be connected with another NetEx/IP (not required for intra-host test/evaluation).
- Customers must obtain a software KEY from NESi prior to running the H800IP software. Customers must contact NESi customer support with the customer site name, hostname, and the NetEx/IP product designator (e.g., H800IP). NESi customer support will supply the necessary key once this information has been received. The customer needs to place this key into the NESikeys file as discussed later in this section.

All requirements for the equipment listed above must be met before proceeding with the installation.

Hardware Installation

Install and verify proper operation of the appropriate operating system.

Accessing the H800IP software distribution

The H800IP NetEx/IP software is available as an RPM which may be downloaded from NESi. Contact NESi Customer Support to request the download link.

Getting the NESi Public Key

The RPM software distribution package is signed to ensure integrity and authenticity. It is recommended to install the NESi public key and verify the signature of any software packages before installation.

You can download the key from http://www.netex.com/files/1813/7123/4715/RPM-GPG-KEY-netex.txt.

Importing the NESi Public Key

Install the public key as super user with the command:

```
# rpm --import RPM-GPG-KEY-netex.txt
```

Verifying Signatures

You can verify the RPM signature to ensure that a package has not been modified since it has been signed. Verification will also check that a package is signed by the vendors or packagers key.

To verify the signature, use the -K or -checksig option to the rpm command:

```
# rpm -K H800IP-7.0.1-1.i386.rpm
```

Software Installation

If this is an initial installation, install the software as super user with the command:

rpm -i H800IP-7.0.1-1.i386.rpm

If the NESi public key has not been installed use the command:

rpm -i --nosignature H800IP-7.0.1-1.i386.rpm

Upgrading H800IP

If you are upgrading an existing installation of H800IP, it is strongly recommended that any running NetEx/IP process be stopped. *If you are upgrading from a release which is older than the most recent previous release you should save the configuration files (NCT, PAM and ntx_default), remove or uninstall, and perform the instructions for an initial install.* Using the "rpm -U" command preserves any customized files in this package and the replacement files are installed with extensions of ".rpmnew". Any files that are not in the package but in package directories will also be preserved. Upgrade the software as super user with the command:

rpm -U H800IP-7.0.1-1.i386.rpm

If the NESi public key has not been installed use the command:

```
# rpm -U --nosignature H800IP-7.0.1-1.i386.rpm
```

Removing H800IP

If H801 is installed it should be removed prior to the removal of H800IP.

During RPM removal, any customized files and log files (e.g., **ntx_default**, **ntx_pam**, **prodconf**, **NESikeys**, etc.) will not be deleted. Remove the software as super user with the command:

```
# rpm -e H800IP
```

Removing the NESi Public Key

To remove the NESi public key, as super user issue the command:

```
# rpm -e gpg-pubkey-3d6b35d3-51bb5907
```

Starting, Stopping & Verifying Install of Netex

The service command should be used to stop & start BFX:

```
# service netex stop
# service netex start
# service netex restart
```

The chkconfig command should be used to verify installation:

chkconfig --list netex

Post Installation Considerations

Configuring H800IP

Once the software package installation has been successfully completed, NetEx/IP must be configured prior to execution. The following instructions address editing the files associated with product activation (/usr/share/nesi/netex/site/prodconf and /usr/share/nesi/NESikeys), the configuration file for NetEx/IP (/usr/share/nesi/netex/site/ntx_default), creating a Network Configuration Table (NCT), creating the Physical Address Map file (PAM file), and starting the NetEx/IP process.

Configuring the H800IP NetEx/IP software consists of the following steps:

- 1. Editing the NESikeys file.
- 2. Edit the NetEx/IP defaults.
- 3. Build an NCT.
- 4. Create NetEx/IP addressing.
- 5. Create code conversion table (optional)
- 6. Starting NetEx/IP.
- 7. Automatically starting NetEx/IP.

Step 1: Edit the 'NESikeys' file

A single NESi License Key file must reside on each system where one or more NESi products containing license support will be installed. The following guidelines apply:

- The default file name is *NESikeys*.
- The LICPATH keyword/value pair in the product configuration file (see "Error! Reference source not found.") specifies the full path name to this file. The default is: /usr/share/nesi/NESikeys.
- A leading '#', '*', or ';' character, in a file record denotes a comment line.
- The systems programmer installing this software must edit this file to add a new encrypted Software Key each time such a key is obtained from NESi for H800IP and/or other license-enabled NESi products. This should be done prior to installing the product, and must be done prior to any attempt to run the product successfully.
- To obtain a key from NESi, contact NESi support, supplying the hostname of the machine the software is to be installed on. The hostname may be obtained by issuing the Linux command "*hostname*" with no parameters.
- The file may contain multiple keys per product due to new product releases or a change to the platform's fingerprint (on UNIX this corresponds to the hostname for the target host). If there are multiple keys the NESi product will use the first key found that matches the product name and system fingerprint starting at the top of the file. This makes it important to add new keys for an existing system to the top of the file. For example, if a new key is installed that provides a license date extension, or adds a new feature, adding this new key to the file before the old key ensures the new key will be used rather than the old key. To make the file easier to maintain over time, it is recommended that you precede each Key entry with a comment line that documents the product designator (e.g., H800IP) and release level of the product that the key is associated with. It will then be easier to delete older Keys that are no longer valid for the product.

• The following shows an example of what a *NESikeys* file might look like after adding several Keys to the file:

```
# Network Executive Software, Inc. Software License Key file
# Key for H800IP R7.0.1:
CGGZ-4AAA-AAAE-IAO5-O50J-SBHX-AUZ5-PL4D
```

Step 2: Edit the NTX_DEFAULT file

See Appendix G: NetEx Default File Configuration on page 193.

Step 3: Build an NCT

You must customize the Network Configuration Table (NCT) for your system and network. As distributed, H800IP does not provide an NCT for your site. You must create the file locally on the host and transfer the file to NetEx/IP in order to access the network configuration.

To generate the NCT, perform the following tasks:

1. Move to the site directory by entering the following commands:

```
# cd /usr/share/nesi/netex/site
```

Use the system editor to build a network configuration description file. The network configuration describes the topology of the network. The text file consists of configuration statements describing the network. Refer to the *C Configuration Manager and NetEx Alternate Path Retry (APR) User Guide* for information on creating this file.

A sample file (nct.txt.samp) is provided with H800IP in the site directory.

2. Invoke the Configuration Manager (CM) to process the configuration file.

There are two major components to CM: the NCT preprocessor and the PAM file generator. The NCT preprocessor reads the configuration text file and transforms this file into an internal data structure called the NCT. The second component creates a binary file (the PAM file) based on user commands and the NCT. The data in the PAM file must then be transferred to NetEx so it can be used by the NetEx routing facility while NetEx applications are being run.

The CM utility is interactive and various commands may be invoked to generate the configuration that the user desires. Refer to the *C Configuration Manager and NetEx Alternate Path Retry (APR) User Guide* for more information on using this utility. A CM HELP command is also available to assist in the operation of this utility.

3. The following sample command sequence shows how to create a PAM file:

```
# ./cm
Config>
Config> nct sample.conf
Config> select *
Config> makepam local_hostname /usr/share/nesi/netex/site/ntx_pam
Config> exit
```

Step 4: Create NetEx/IP addressing information

There are three methods of creating/updating the IP information on your system or network to allow for NetEx/IP to operate properly.

1. Update DNS nameserver information.

This method requires that you update the relevant DNS lookup tables with the IP addresses and IP hostnames that will be associated with the HYPERChannel *toGNA* addresses. The IP hostnames **must** be in the following format (case is important):

NTX0000*uuss*

Where *uu* is the NETADDR defined for the host in the NCT and *ss* is the SMGDREF.

2. Update local host table.

This method requires that you update the local host table (usually located at '/etc/hosts') with the IP address and IP hostname (same format as in #1).

3. Use the SET IPROUTE command.

The third option is to update the NetEx/IP network information via the new NTXOPER command **SET IPROUTE**. Please refer to the 'Operator Commands' section of the "*NetEx/IP for UNIX Systems*" manual for a description of the command. These commands may be placed in the ntx_default file after the 'ENDINI' statement so that they are executed on every startup.

Note: NESi recommends that customers use options #1 or #2 when updating the IP addressing. Updates made via option #3 are only valid for as long as NetEx/IP is running. IP routing information entered with the 'set iproute' command is lost upon recycle of NetEx/IP or dynamic reload of NCT via the 'load nct' NTXOPER command.

Dynamic mapping of GNA addresses to IP addresses is performed during NetEx/IP initialization (and when the LOAD NCT command is issued). The IP addresses that are returned from DNS are saved in an internal NetEx/IP table.

These addresses comprise the HYPERChannel *toGNA* addresses, as defined in the NetEx/IP NCT by the NETADDR (*uu*) and SMGDREF (*ss*) parameters.

Step 5: Start NetEx

On an initial install NetEx will not start automatically nor will it start following an update. To Start NetEx use the following command:

service netex start

Step 6: Verify that 'ntx' Starts Automatically On Reboot

NetEx has been configured to automatically start for run levels 3, 4, and 5 after a system reboot. It will not work until the 'ntx_default' and 'ntx_pam' files have been properly set up and placed in the correct locations, and the key is correct and in the correct location.

Note: If NetEx is started/stopped manually, the following script should be used as it properly modifies some system parameters required by NetEx and detects common problems:

```
service netex start | stop | restart | status
```

Step 7: Setup syslog file definition & logrotate rules

Netex will send most messages to syslog using the facility 'local3' or what is defined in the ntx_default file. The messages will have a syslog priority that is mapped to a Netex message severity. See "**msgsyslogfac**" for more details.

An example of the syslog definitions for creating netex logs from syslog as defined in /usr/share/nesi/netex/site/ntx.syslog.cnf is provided:

```
# rsyslog config for netex
local3.* /var/log/ntxloc3.log
```

The Netex logs may be rotated using your systems log rotation facility. An example of the file /etc/logrotate.d/ntxlogs.logrotate is also provided:

```
# netex logrotate config:
# rotate product log files
/usr/share/nesi/netex/site/ntxlog /usr/share/nesi/netex/site/tnp.log
/usr/share/nesi/netex/site/tnpntx.log {
      daily
      compress
     nocreate
      copytruncate
     nodateext
     maxage 365
      rotate 32
      missingok
      #notifempty
      ifempty
      create 644 root root
}
# rotate Netex syslog files
/var/log/ntxloc3.log /var/log/ntxloc4.log
      daily
      compress
     nocreate
     copytruncate
     nodateext
     maxage 365
     rotate 32
      missingok
      #notifempty
      ifempty
      create 644 root root
}
```

Appendix E: H620IP AIX Installation

Prerequisites

The following are hardware and software prerequisites for installing the H620IP product.

- An IBM Power System or System p server running, AIX® 5.3 to 7.1 distributions.
- At least one other processor on the network running NetEx/IP software. This processor should be connected with another NetEx/IP (not required for intra-host test/evaluation).
- Customers must obtain a software KEY from NESi prior to running the H620IP software. Customers must contact NESi customer support with the customer site name, hostname, and the NetEx/IP product designator (e.g., H620IP). NESi customer support will supply the necessary key once this information has been received. The customer needs to place this key into the NESikeys file as discussed later in this section.

All requirements for the equipment listed above must be met before proceeding with the installation.

Hardware Installation

Install and verify proper operation of the AIX® system.

Accessing the H620IP software distribution

The H620IP NetEx/IP software is available as an RPM which may be downloaded from NESi. Contact NESi Customer Support to request the download link.

Software Installation

All installation steps must be completed by a user logged on as root.

Version 7.0.1 is the first version of H620IP NetEx/IP that installs from an RPM package.

Upgrading H620IP if RPM was not used for the installation

If you are upgrading from a non-RPM distributed H620IP installation, you should terminate NetEx with the "ntxoper kill netex" command and save any files you used in the configuration and running of NetEx. These would typically include files located in /usr/nesi, such as the NESikeys file, the NCT file, and the ntx_default files in /usr/nesi/netex/site/. In addition, the keys associated with any non-RPM releases are not compatible with the versions that install from an RPM package.

The script /usr/nesi/DEINSTALL.netex will remove the software from the system. If the /etc/inittab file was updated to start NetEx when the system was booted, you should remove these old NetEx entries. These may assist:

lsitab –a (List all entries in the /etc/inittab)

Look for an entry that contains rc.netex. Look at the first parameter separated by a colon.

rmitab characters in the first parameter of the netex itab entry

Remove the current version of H621 (BFX for AIX).

```
# cd /usr/nesi
# rm -rf bfx
```

H621 (BFX for AIX) must be reinstalled with the current release.

Install the software as super user with the command:

```
# rpm -ivh H620IP-7.0.1-1.ppc.rpm
```

Upgrading H620IP if RPM was used to install

If you are upgrading an RPM installation of H620IP, it is strongly recommended that any running NetEx/IP process be stopped. Using the "rpm -U" command preserves any customized files in this package and the replacement files are installed with extensions of ".rpmnew". Any files that are not in the package but in package directories will also be preserved. Upgrade the software as super user with the command:

rpm -U H620IP-7.0.1.-1.ppc.rpm

Removing H620IP RPM

If H621 BFX was installed, this RPM for BFX must be removed first.

If you wish to remove the rpm, you may use the following command using your superuser id.

rpm -e H620IP

During RPM removal, any customized files and log files (e.g., **ntx_default**, **ntx_pam**, **prodconf**, **NESikeys**, etc.) will not be deleted.

Starting, Stopping & Verifying Install of NetEx

The startsrc command or SMIT should be used to start Netex:

startsrc -s netex

The stopsrc command or SMIT should be used to stop Netex:

stopsrc -s netex

The lssrc and lsitab commands or SMIT can be used to verify installation:

```
# lssrc -S -s netex
# lsitab netex
```

Post Installation Considerations

Configuring H620IP

Once the software package installation has been successfully completed, NetEx/IP must be configured prior to execution. The following instructions address editing the files associated with product activation (/usr/share/nesi/NESikeys), the configuration file for NetEx/IP (/usr/share/nesi/netex/ntx_default), creating a Network Configuration Table (NCT), creating the Physical Address Map file (PAM file), and starting the NetEx/IP process.

Configuring the H620IP NetEx/IP software consists of the following steps:

- 1. Editing the NESikeys file.
- 2. Edit the NetEx/IP defaults.
- 3. Build an NCT.
- 4. Create NetEx/IP addressing.
- 5. Create code conversion table (optional)
- 6. Starting / Stopping NetEx/IP.
- 7. Automatically starting NetEx/IP.

Step 1: Edit the 'NESikeys' file

A single NESi License Key file must reside on each system where one or more NESi products containing license support will be installed. The following guidelines apply:

- The default file name is /usr/share/nesi/*NESikeys*.
- A leading '#', '*', or ';' character, in a file record denotes a comment line.
- The actual key must reside on a single line by itself and start in column 1.
- The systems programmer installing this software must edit this file to add a new encrypted Software Key each time such a key is obtained from NESi for H620IP and/or other license-enabled NESi products. This should be done prior to installing the product, and must be done prior to any attempt to run the product successfully.
- To obtain a key from NESi, contact NESi support, supplying the hostname of the machine the software is to be installed on. The hostname may be obtained by issuing the Linux/AIX command "*hostname*" with no parameters.
- The file may contain multiple keys per product due to new product releases or a change to the platform's fingerprint (on UNIX this corresponds to the hostname for the target host). If there are multiple keys the NESi product will use the first key found that matches the product name and system fingerprint starting at the top of the file. This makes it important to add new keys for an existing system to the top of the file. For example, if a new key is installed that provides a license date extension, or adds a new feature, adding this new key to the file before the old key ensures the new key will be used rather than the old key. To make the file easier to maintain over time, it is recommended that you precede each Key entry with a comment line that documents the product designator (e.g., H620IP) and release level of the product that the key is associated with. It will then be easier to delete older Keys that are no longer valid for the product.

• The following shows an example of what a *NESikeys* file might look like after adding a key to the file. The first two lines are comments with the key on the third line. Additional comments and keys could be added.

```
# Network Executive Software, Inc. Software License Key file
# Key for H620IP R7.0:
CGGZ-4AAA-AAAE-IAO5-O5OJ-SBHX-AUZ5-PL4D
```

Step 2: Edit the NTX_DEFAULT file

See Appendix G: NetEx Default File Configuration on page 193.

Step 3: Build an NCT

You must customize the Network Configuration Table (NCT) for your system and network. As distributed, H620IP does not provide an NCT for your site. You must create the file locally on the host and transfer the file to NetEx/IP in order to access the network configuration.

To generate the NCT, perform the following tasks:

1. Move to the /usr/share/nesi/netex/site directory by entering the following commands:

```
# cd /usr/share/nesi/netex/site
```

Use the system editor to build a network configuration description file in this directory. The network configuration describes the topology of the network. The text file consists of configuration statements describing the network. Refer to the *C Configuration Manager and NetEx Alternate Path Retry (APR) User Guide* for information on creating this file.

2. Invoke the Configuration Manager (CM) to process the configuration file.

There are two major components to CM: the NCT preprocessor and the PAM file generator. The NCT preprocessor reads the configuration text file and transforms this file into an internal data structure called the NCT. The second component creates a binary file (the PAM file) based on user commands and the NCT. The data in the PAM file must then be transferred to NetEx so it can be used by the NetEx routing facility while NetEx applications are being run.

The CM utility is interactive and various commands may be invoked to generate the configuration that the user desires. Refer to the *C Configuration Manager and NetEx Alternate Path Retry (APR) User Guide* for more information on using this utility. A CM HELP command is also available to assist in the operation of this utility.

3. The following sample command sequence shows how to create a PAM file:

```
# ./cm
Config>
Config> nct sample.conf
Config> select *
Config> makepam netex_host_name ntx_pam
Config> exit
```

Step 4: Create NetEx/IP addressing information

There are three methods of creating/updating the IP information on your system or network to allow for NetEx/IP to operate properly.

1. Update DNS nameserver information.

This method requires that you update the relevant DNS lookup tables with the IP addresses and IP hostnames that will be associated with the HYPERChannel *toGNA* addresses. The IP hostnames **must** be in the following format (case is important):

NTX0000*uuss*

Where *uu* is the NETADDR defined for the host in the NCT and *ss* is the SMGDREF.

2. Update local host table.

This method requires that you update the local host table (usually located at '/etc/hosts') with the IP address and IP hostname (same format as in #1).

3. Use the SET IPROUTE command.

The third option is to update the NetEx/IP network information via the new NTXOPER command **SET IPROUTE**. Please refer to the 'Operator Commands' section of the "*NetEx/IP for UNIX Systems*" manual for a description of the command. These commands may be placed in the ntx_default file after the 'ENDINI' statement so that they are executed on every startup.

Note: NESi recommends that customers use options #1 or #2 when updating the IP addressing. Updates made via option #3 are only valid for as long as NetEx/IP is running. IP routing information entered with the 'set iproute' command is lost upon recycle of NetEx/IP or dynamic reload of NCT via the 'load nct' NTXOPER command.

Dynamic mapping of GNA addresses to IP addresses is performed during NetEx/IP initialization (and when the LOAD NCT command is issued). The IP addresses that are returned from DNS are saved in an internal NetEx/IP table.

These addresses comprise the HYPERChannel *toGNA* addresses, as defined in the NetEx/IP NCT by the NETADDR (*uu*) and SMGDREF (*ss*) parameters.

Step 5: Starting / Stopping NetEx

On an initial install NetEx will not start automatically nor will it start following an update. To Start NetEx you may use the SMIT tool on AIX. Netex is defined as an AIX subsystem, and may be started or stopped through the SMIT interface. It may also be manually started or stopped with:

```
startsrc -s netex
stopsrc -s netex
```

Step 6: Verify that 'ntx' Starts Automatically On Reboot

NetEx has been configured to automatically start for run levels 3, 4, and 5 after a system reboot. It will not work until the 'ntx_default' and 'ntx_pam' files have been properly set up and placed in the correct locations, and the key is correct and in the correct location. To permanently disable this, the super user may issue the command "rmitab netex".

Step 7: Setup syslog file definition & logrotate rules (optional)

NetEx will send most messages to syslog using the facility 'local3' or what is defined in the ntx_default file. The messages will have a syslog priority that is mapped to a NetEx message severity. See "**msgsyslogfac**" for more details.

For AIX, you should update the /etc/syslog.conf file for NetEx with:

```
local3.info /var/log/ntxloc3.log rotate size 1M time 1d files 7 compress
```

This will send all informational messages (or higher) to the ntxloc3 file. A new log will be created every day, or when the current size exceeds one megabyte. Seven versions of this file will be retained.

To manage the ntxlog located in /usr/share/nesi/netex/site, the user may wish to implement a cron job to issue the NTXOPER SWLOG command on a daily basis. The number of logs retained is controlled by the ntx_default parameter "numlogs".

Appendix F: H820IP Linux for System z Installation

Prerequisites

The following are hardware and software prerequisites for installing the H820IP product.

- An IBM System z running Red Hat® Enterprise Linux® 6.4 for IBM System z.
- At least one other processor on the network running NetEx/IP software. This processor should be connected with another NetEx/IP (not required for intra-host test/evaluation).
- Customers must obtain a software KEY from NESi prior to running the H820IP software. Customers must contact NESi customer support with the customer site name, hostname, and the NetEx/IP product designator (e.g., H820IP). NESi customer support will supply the necessary key once this information has been received. The customer needs to place this key into the NESikeys file as discussed later in this section.

All requirements for the equipment listed above must be met before proceeding with the installation.

Hardware Installation

Install and verify proper operation of the appropriate operating system.

Accessing the H820IP software distribution

The H820IP NetEx/IP software is available as an RPM which may be downloaded from NESi. Contact NESi Customer Support to request the download link.

Getting the NESi Public Key

The RPM software distribution package is signed to ensure integrity and authenticity. It is recommended to install the NESi public key and verify the signature of any software packages before installation.

You can download the key from http://www.netex.com/files/1813/7123/4715/RPM-GPG-KEY-netex.txt.

Importing the NESi Public Key

Install the public key as super user with the command:

```
# rpm --import RPM-GPG-KEY-netex.txt
```

Verifying Signatures

You can verify the RPM signature to ensure that a package has not been modified since it has been signed. Verification will also check that a package is signed by the vendors or packagers key.

To verify the signature, use the -K or -checksig option to the rpm command:

rpm -K H820IP-7.0.1-1.el6.s390.rpm

Software Installation

If this is an initial installation, install the software as super user with the command:

```
# yum install H820IP-7.0.1-1.el6.s390.rpm
```

or

or

rpm -i H820IP-7.0.1-1.el6.s390.rpm

If the NESi public key has not been installed use the command:

```
# yum --nogpgcheck install H820IP-7.0.1-1.el6.s390.rpm
# rpm -i --nosignature H820IP-7.0.1-1.el6.s390.rpm
```

Upgrading H820IP

If you are upgrading an existing installation of H820IP, it is strongly recommended that any running NetEx/IP process be stopped. Using the "rpm -U" command preserves any customized files in this package and the replacement files are installed with extensions of ".rpmnew". Any files that are not in the package but in package directories will also be preserved. Upgrade the software as super user with the command:

yum upgrade H820IP-7.0.1-1.el6.s390.rpm

or

```
# rpm -U H810IP-7.0.1-1.el6.s390.rpm
```

If the NESi public key has not been installed use the command:

```
# yum --nogpgcheck upgrade H820IP-7.0.1-1.el6.s390.rpm
```

or

rpm -U --nosignature H820IP-7.0.1-1.el6.s390.rpm

Removing H820IP

If H821 is installed it should be removed prior to the removal of H820IP.

During RPM removal, any customized files and log files (e.g., **ntx_default**, **ntx_pam**, **prodconf**, **NESikeys**, etc.) will not be deleted. Remove the software as super user with the command:

yum erase H820IP

or

rpm -e H820IP

Removing the NESi Public Key

To remove the NESi public key, as super user issue the command:

```
# rpm -e gpg-pubkey-3d6b35d3-51bb5907
```

Starting, Stopping & Verifying Install of Netex

The service command should be used to stop & start BFX:

service netex stop
service netex start
service netex restart

The chkconfig command should be used to verify installation:

chkconfig --list netex

Post Installation Considerations

Configuring H820IP

Once the software package installation has been successfully completed, NetEx/IP must be configured prior to execution. The following instructions address editing the files associated with product activation (/usr/share/nesi/netex/site/prodconf and /usr/share/nesi/NESikeys), the configuration file for NetEx/IP (/usr/share/nesi/netex/site/ntx_default), creating a Network Configuration Table (NCT), creating the Physical Address Map file (PAM file), and starting the NetEx/IP process.

Configuring the H820IP NetEx/IP software consists of the following steps:

- 1. Editing the NESikeys file.
- 2. Edit the NetEx/IP defaults.
- 3. Build an NCT.
- 4. Create NetEx/IP addressing.
- 5. Create code conversion table (optional)
- 6. Starting NetEx/IP.
- 7. Automatically starting NetEx/IP.

Step 1: Edit the 'NESikeys' file

A single NESi License Key file must reside on each system where one or more NESi products containing license support will be installed. The following guidelines apply:

- The default file name is *NESikeys*.
- The LICPATH keyword/value pair in the product configuration file (see "Error! Reference source not found.") specifies the full path name to this file. The default is: /usr/share/nesi/NESikeys.
- A leading '#', '*', or ';' character, in a file record denotes a comment line.
- The systems programmer installing this software must edit this file to add a new encrypted Software Key each time such a key is obtained from NESi for H820IP and/or other license-enabled NESi products. This should be done prior to installing the product, and must be done prior to any attempt to run the product successfully.
- To obtain a key from NESi, contact NESi support, supplying the hostname of the machine the software is to be installed on. The hostname may be obtained by issuing the Linux command "*hostname*" with no parameters.
- The file may contain multiple keys per product due to new product releases or a change to the platform's fingerprint (on UNIX this corresponds to the hostname for the target host). If there are multiple keys the NESi product will use the first key found that matches the product name and system fingerprint starting at the top of the file. This makes it important to add new keys for an existing system to the top of the file. For example, if a new key is installed that provides a license date extension, or adds a new feature, adding this new key to the file before the old key ensures the new key will be used rather than the old key. To make the file easier to maintain over time, it is recommended that you precede each Key entry with a comment line that documents the product designator (e.g., H820IP) and release level of the product that

the key is associated with. It will then be easier to delete older Keys that are no longer valid for the product.

• The following shows an example of what a *NESikeys* file might look like after adding several Keys to the file:

```
# Network Executive Software, Inc. Software License Key file
# Key for H820IP R7.0.1:
CGGZ-4AAA-AAAE-IAO5-O5OJ-SBHX-AUZ5-PL4D
```

Step 2: Configuring the default file

See Appendix G: NetEx Default File Configuration on page 193.

Step 3: Build an NCT

You must customize the Network Configuration Table (NCT) for your system and network. As distributed, H820IP does not provide an NCT for your site. You must create the file locally on the host and transfer the file to NetEx/IP in order to access the network configuration.

To generate the NCT, perform the following tasks:

4. Move to the conf directory by entering the following commands:

```
# cd /usr/share/nesi/netex/site
```

Use the system editor to build a network configuration description file. The network configuration describes the topology of the network. The text file consists of configuration statements describing the network. Refer to the *C Configuration Manager and NetEx Alternate Path Retry (APR) User Guide* for information on creating this file.

A sample file (nct.txt.samp) is provided with H820IP in the site directory.

5. Invoke the Configuration Manager (CM) to process the configuration file.

There are two major components to CM: the NCT preprocessor and the PAM file generator. The NCT preprocessor reads the configuration text file and transforms this file into an internal data structure called the NCT. The second component creates a binary file (the PAM file) based on user commands and the NCT. The data in the PAM file must then be transferred to NetEx so it can be used by the NetEx routing facility while NetEx applications are being run.

The CM utility is interactive and various commands may be invoked to generate the configuration that the user desires. Refer to the *C Configuration Manager and NetEx Alternate Path Retry (APR) User Guide* for more information on using this utility. A CM HELP command is also available to assist in the operation of this utility.

6. The following sample command sequence shows how to create a PAM file:

```
# cm
Config>
Config> nct nct_conf_file
Config> select *
Config> makepam local_hostname ntx_pam
Config> exit
```

Step 4: Create NetEx/IP addressing information

There are three methods of creating/updating the IP information on your system or network to allow for NetEx/IP to operate properly.

4. Update DNS nameserver information.

This method requires that you update the relevant DNS lookup tables with the IP addresses and IP hostnames that will be associated with the HYPERChannel *toGNA* addresses. The IP hostnames **must** be in the following format (case is important):

NTX0000*uuss*

Where *uu* is the NETADDR defined for the host in the NCT and *ss* is the SMGDREF.

5. Update local host table.(normally only for the local host)

This method requires that you update the local host entry in the local hosts table (usually located at '/etc/hosts') with the IP address and IP hostname (same format as in #1).

6. Use the SET IPROUTE command in the ntx_default file.

The third option is to update the NetEx/IP network information via the new NTXOPER command **SET IPROUTE**. Please refer to the 'Operator Commands' section of the "*NetEx/IP for UNIX Systems*" manual for a description of the command. These commands may be placed in the ntx_default file after the 'ENDINI' statement so that they are executed on every startup.

7. Use the SET IPROUTE command

The last option is to update the NetEx/IP network information via the new NTXOPER command **SET IPROUTE**. Please refer to the 'Operator Commands' section of the "*NetEx/IP for UNIX Systems*" manual for a description of the command.

Note: NESi recommends that customers use options #1 #2 or #3 when updating the IP addressing. Updates made via option #4 are only valid for as long as NetEx/IP is running. IP routing information entered with the 'set iproute' command is lost upon recycle of NetEx/IP or dynamic reload of NCT via the 'load nct' NTXOPER command.

Dynamic mapping of GNA addresses to IP addresses is performed during NetEx/IP initialization (and when the LOAD NCT command is issued). The IP addresses that are returned from DNS are saved in an internal NetEx/IP table.

These addresses comprise the HYPERChannel *toGNA* addresses, as defined in the NetEx/IP NCT by the NETADDR (*uu*) and SMGDREF (*ss*) parameters.

Step 5: Start NetEx

On an initial install NetEx will not start automatically nor will it start following an update. To Start NetEx use the following command:

service netex start

Step 6: Verify that 'ntx' Starts Automatically On Reboot

NetEx has been configured to automatically start for run levels 3, 4, and 5 after a system reboot. It will not work until the 'ntx_default' and 'ntx_pam' files have been properly set up and placed in the correct locations, and the key is correct and in the correct location.

Note: If NetEx is started/stopped manually, the following script should be used as it properly modifies some system parameters required by NetEx and detects common problems:

service netex start | stop | restart | status

Step 7: Setup syslog file definition & logrotate rules

Netex will send most messages to syslog using the facility 'local3' or what is defined in the ntx_default file. The messages will have a syslog priority that is mapped to a Netex message severity. See "**msgsyslogfac**" for more details.

An example of the syslog definitions for creating netex logs from syslog as defined in /usr/share/nesi/netex/site/ntx.syslog.cnf is provided:

```
# rsyslog config for netex
local3.* /var/log/ntxloc3.log
```

The Netex logs may be rotated using your systems log rotation facility. An example of the file /etc/logrotate.d/ntxlogs.logrotate is also provided:

```
# netex logrotate config:
# rotate product log files
/usr/share/nesi/netex/site/ntxlog /usr/share/nesi/netex/site/tnp.log
/usr/share/nesi/netex/site/tnpntx.log {
     daily
     compress
     nocreate
     copytruncate
     nodateext
     maxage 365
     rotate 32
     missingok
     #notifempty
     ifempty
      create 644 root root
}
# rotate Netex syslog files
/var/log/ntxloc3.log {
     daily
     compress
     nocreate
     copytruncate
     nodateext
     maxage 365
     rotate 32
     missingok
     #notifempty
     ifempty
     create 644 root root
}
```

Appendix G: NetEx Default File Configuration

Edit the NTX_DEFAULT file

The file */usr/share/nesi/netex/site/ntx_default* contains default values for NetEx/IP parameters. After an update, if a ntx_default.rpmnew exists there may be updated defaults that should be reviewed. Edit this file with the following recommendations:

- 1. There are two entries that must be supplied by the customer prior to starting NETEX: local and device(x). NETEX will not run if these are commented out of the ntx_default file.
- 2. The first entry (local) in the file defines the name of your local host. Edit this entry to reflect the name of your system as it appears in the Network Configuration Table (NCT). The "device1, device2, etc entries in the table below ('UDP-6950-0000UUSS') are not the default values for those particular parameters. The user will need to add these parameters to their "ntx_default" file where *UUSS* is the NETADDR and SMGDREF specified in the NCT for the IP interface. The '6950' is the UDP port. Edit or modify any other parameters for your host and site. The following table lists all of the parameters and their default values.

Lines proceeded by an '*', '#', '''', '!' or '/' are comments and indicate the use of provided program defaults. To override these default values you should duplicate the entry and uncomment, remove the *, and supply your override value. Note that parameters for Protocol Type 4 should not be altered unless directed by Netex Support, as this protocol is currently not supported.

NTX_Parameter	Default	Definition
local	NETEX	This is the NetEx name of your host. The local host name is the same name defined on the HOST statement in the NCT and during the MAKEPAM phase when building the PAM file.
logerrors	default	The two allowed values are "default" and "all": DEFAULT:
		This value logs adapter and communications errors that are uncommon. Some of these errors are nor- mal but can occur only once every few hours.
		ALL:
		This value logs all adapter and communications errors.

NTX_Parameter	Default	Definition
mbxname	/var/opt/netex/netexserver	This is the name of the pipe used to move NRB and DATA requests from the user address space into NetEx/IP address space.
		This name is built into the user interface routines. If this is changed, the code in the interface routines must be changed and the interface routines rebuilt.
		If this is changed, the environmental variable NETEX_DEVICE must be set to the full path name of the new pipe in each job that references NetEx/IP.
pamfile	/usr/share/nesi/netex/site/ ntx_pam	This is the name of the PAM file NetEx/IP will use to load the initial NCT. This name should match the name specified in the Configuration Manager MAKEPAM command.
ntxlogname	/usr/share/nesi/netex/site/ ntxlog	This is the name of the NetEx/IP log file. Messages associated with the operation of NetEx/IP are logged in this file. If this is changed, then the logrotate and syslog control files must also be changed.
cctable	/usr/share/nesi/netex/site/ cctable	This is the name of a site modified NetEx code conversion table.
msgsyslog	3	0: send minimal output to the Netex log and no output to syslog 1: send Netex msgs to Netex log. 2 : send Netex msgs to system log. 3 : send them to both logs.
msgsyslogfac	local3	See SET MSGSYSLOGFAC
trapcmd	/usr/share/nesi/netex/scrip ts/netex_trap.sh	Not supported at this time
ackcredit	2	This is the number of buffers that NetEx/IP sends without returning an explicit ack.
		Note: More buffers may be in the process of being sent. Increasing this value has little effect on system load and may decrease NetEx/IP throughput.
bufcnt	2000	This is the number of "segment" sized buffers available for all input and output.
		Note: This parameter should be increased to match the maximum amount of data expected to be in transit (being sent but not yet acknowledged) di- vided by "segment".
commipod	300	Percentage factor of deadtime used to determine communications interrupted time.
connto	30	This is the initial value for CONNECT TIMEOUT

NTX_Parameter	Default	Definition
datato	30	This is the initial value for DATA TIMEOUT. In a heavily loaded system or during transfers to tape, this value should be increased to about 1000.
deadto	60	This is the initial value for DEAD TIMEOUT.
defblkin	32768	This is the default value for NRBBLKIN, if the value zero is specified.
defblkout	32768	This is the default value for NRBBLKOUT, if the value zero is specified.
defmsecsonewaydelay	0	This is the one-way propagation delay of the net- work, expressed in milliseconds, and is used if there is no delay value specified in the PAM for this network path.
		For Type 2 protocol connections, this value repre- sents a fixed propagation delay that never changes.
		For Type 4 protocol connections, this value repre- sents a starting point that is used for internal band- width capacity calculations. However, the delay is continuously measured during each session, and if it changes, the updated value is used for subsequent internal bandwidth capacity calculations.
dreadqueue	12	This is the number of reads that NetEx/IP has out- standing to the DRIVER. This value may need to be increased, if many very small transfers are needed.
dynpam	0	0 - netex is not using dynamic pams (NCT is nec- essary)
		1 - netex is using dynamic pams (NCT not neces- sary - only supported with HyperIP)
highresmsecs	10	This is the value of the internal high resolution timer. It is used for internal rate throttling, and should not be changed.
idleto	6	This is the initial value for IDLE TIME. In net- works with many errors or contention, it may help to drop this value to 2 or 3.
maxblkin	65400	This is the maximum NRBBLKIN value in bytes.
maxblkout	65400	This is the maximum NRBBLKOUT value in bytes.

NTX_Parameter	Default	Definition
maxkbitspersec	0	This is the maximum rate at which NetEx/IP will deliver data to the network for each network con- nection. If zero is specified, data will be delivered with no internal throttling. This value is only used for connections to hosts that do not have a 'rate' value specified in the PAM. This value is specified in Kbits per second.
		For example, a value of 50 means 50Kbs; a value of 50000 means 50,000 Kbs (i.e., 50Mbs).
maxmbxxfer	32768	This is the maximum block that can be sent across the STREAMS pipe facility.
mbufin	5	This is the number of input blocks that NetEx/IP will allow to be outstanding for each user. This may have to be increased for long telecommunications delays.
mbufout	5	This is the number of output blocks that NetEx/IP will allow to be outstanding for each user. This may have to be increased for long telecommunications delays.
msglvl	interesting	This is the value that controls the verbosity of the message displays. A value must be specified as one of the following:
		immediate
		important
		interesting
		moderate
		monitor
		debug
		blither
		A value of 'important' (or lower) must be specified to enable NetEx/IP session establishment messages to be recorded in the 'ntxlog' file.
multihost	Off	Specifies whether multihost is enabled or disabled. This parameter is important when using the TNP feature.

NTX_Parameter	Default	Definition
nodns	0	Enable or disable DNS lookups when the PAM file is loaded. Accepted values are "1" and "0". The default is 0 (false).
		When set to 1 (true), NetEx/IP will skip DNS lookups when the PAM file is read.
		This is only useful if the user intends to ONLY use the "SET IPROUTE" command to manually map "toGNA" addresses to IP addresses.
numlogs	5	This value defines the maximum number of 'ntxlog' files that are saved by the 'swlog' com- mand. (swlog is not available in all distributions)
pollsel	On	This specifies whether or not the dispatcher will poll with 0 timeout or not. Especially useful in order to get good performance with small segments.
prefprot	2	This value defines the default preferred protocol type to use when connecting to hosts that support multiple NetEx/IP protocol types. Valid values are 2 or 4.
rcvratesecs	2	This is the time interval (in seconds) after which the receive rate for a network connection is recal- culated. The receive rate refers to the rate at which the application is receiving data from NetEx.
ropclass	G	This defines the default remote operator class for the NetEx/IP operator console. Allowed values are A or G. The default is "A".
		"A" will allow privileged instructions such as SET, HALT, etc. to be issued via the remote operator facility.
		"G" only allows non-privileged operator com- mands (DISPLAY, etc.).
segsize	32768	This is the maximum size of a NetEx data block on the network.
slim	255	This is the limit on the smax parameter.
smax	32	This is the maximum number of sessions active at any one time. If this value is changed, the file spec- ified by "mbxname" above should be deleted.
smqmax	25	Dictates the maximum session manager request queue depth
timer	2	This is the initial value for the watchdog timer.
debugdata	0	This is the maximum number of data bytes to trace for any associated data blocks.

NTX_Parameter	Default	Definition
debugmsg	0	This parameter enables or disables the tracing of HYPERchannel messages between NetEx/IP and the network. A value of 0 turns tracing off; any other value turns tracing on.
debugreq	0	This parameter enables or disables the tracing of user requests arriving at the NetEx/IP protocol stack. A value of 0 turns tracing off; any other val- ue turns tracing on. The default is 0.
debugret	0	This parameter enables or disables the tracing of user responses being returned from the NetEx/IP protocol stack. A value of 0 turns tracing off; any other value turns tracing on. The default is 0.
udpport	6950	Only used with nctless NetEx (not supported at this time), otherwise see device statements
iprecv	250000	IP Receive buffer size
ipsend	250000	IP Send buffer size
ipchksum	1	Not implemented
ip1intrf	1	If true (1), one IP socket/device for all interfaces. If false (0), a socket/device for each IP interface.
device1	UDP-6950-0000UUSS	This is the device name of the IP device interface. UUSS is the NETADDR and SMGDREF specified in the NCT for the IP interface. The '6950' is the UDP port.
device2	(blank – this indicates other interfaces do not exist)	This is the device name of the second network device interface.
device3	(blank – this indicates other interfaces do not exist)	This is the device name of the third network device interface.
device4	(blank – this indicates other interfaces do not exist)	This is the device name of the fourth network device interface.
The following parame ported):	eters are only applicable to pro	tocol type 4 connections (and are currently not sup-
bufolimit	2000	This is the maximum number of outstanding buffers that Netex will allow per connection.

NTX_Parameter	Default	Definition
defstartkbitspersec	455000	This is the starting throughput rate at which NetEx/IP will attempt to deliver data to the net- work for each network connection. If zero is speci- fied, data will be delivered with no internal throt- tling. This value is only used for connections to hosts that do not have a 'rate' value specified in the PAM or NRB.
		This value is specified in Kbits per second. For example, a value of 50 means 50Kbs; a value of 50000 means 50Mbs (i.e. 50,000 Kbs).
delincp	900	Percentage factor used when decreasing speed be- cause of delay increase.
delincsreq	750	Percentage factor of send rate used when determin- ing equivalency of increase or decrease of delay.
delincrreq	750	Percentage factor of receive rate used when deter- mining equivalency of increase or decrease of de- lay.
minkbitspersec	0	This is the minimum throughput rate that Netex will decrease to.
minnpdu	1300	Currently not supported.
segdownp	300	Currently not supported.
segupp	200	Currently not supported.
startnpdu	6500	Currently not supported.
modsegsz	0	This indicates whether Netex may modify the seg- ment size dynamically. This should remain at 0 currently and is not supported.
oktodec	1	This indicates whether Netex is allowed to de- crease speed or not.
nakdec	0	This indicates whether Netex will decrease speed when there are NAKs occurring.
ratedelaydecp	250 (25.0%)	This is the percentage factor used to decrease the sending rate of a network connection if the round- trip delay increases. This recalculation is per- formed after the expiration of each interval speci- fied by the 'rtdelayincsecs' parameter. The value specified represents a percentage multiplied by a factor of 10.
rateequivph	855 (85.5%)	This is the high bound of the send and receive equivalence adjustment (see 'rateequivps'). The value specified represents a percentage multiplied by a factor of 10.

NTX_Parameter	Default	Definition
rateequivpl	500 (50.0%)	This is the low bound of the send and receive equivalence adjustment (see 'rateequivps'). The value specified represents a percentage multiplied by a factor of 10.
rateequivps	750 (75.0%)	This is the percentage factor used to determine equivalence of the send and receive rates for each network connection. These rates are assumed to be equal if they fall within this percentage of each other. This is the initial value used for each net- work connection, and can be dynamically adjusted based on activity and performance of the network. The value specified represents a percentage multi- plied by a factor of 10.
rcvdataqhbytes	2000000	This is the high threshold value (in bytes) for the size of the receiving NetEx DataQue for each net- work connection. If the size of the Data Queue ex- ceeds this value, subsequent blocks received on the network that are greater than the highest received LRN are NAK'ed and discarded. Subsequent blocks will continue to be discarded until the size of the DataQue is reduced to the value specified by 'rcvdataqlbytes'.
rcvdataqhsegs	15000	This is the high threshold value (in segments) for the size of the receiving NetEx DataQue for each network connection. If the size of the Data Queue exceeds this value, subsequent blocks received on the network that are greater than the highest re- ceived LRN are NAK'ed and discarded. Subse- quent blocks will continue to be discarded until the size of the DataQue is reduced to the value speci- fied by 'rcvdataqlsegs'.
rcvdataqlbytes	1000000	This is the low threshold value (in bytes) for the size of the receiving NetEx DataQue for each net- work connection. See the 'rcvdataqhbytes' parame- ter for the description of how this value is used.
rcvdataqlsegs	8000	This is the low threshold value (in segments) for the size of the receiving NetEx DataQue for each network connection. See the 'rcvdataqhsegs' pa- rameter for the description of how this value is used.
rtdelayincsecs	60	This is the interval (in seconds) used by the send- ing side of a network connection after which a check is made for an increase in the round trip de- lay.

NTX_Parameter	Default	Definition
rexmwblks	2	This is the number of blocks to use to calculate the time to wait before rexmitting a block when it is NAKed. Only used if userexmitq is 1.
sndrateupsecs	20	This is the interval (in seconds) used by the send- ing side of a network connection after which a check is made for a rate increase or decrease (i.e. the receive rate is greater or less than 'rateequivps' of the send rate). If an adjustment is required, the sending rate is increased or decreased by the cur- rent value of 'sndrateps'.
sndrateph	500 (50.0%)	This is the high bound of the 'sndrateps' adjust- ment for each network connection. The value spec- ified represents a percentage multiplied by a factor of 10.
sndratepl	100 (10.0%)	This is the low bound of the 'sndrateps' adjustment for each network connection. The value specified represents a percentage multiplied by a factor of 10.
sndrateps	200 (20.0%)	This is the percentage factor used to increase or decrease the send rate for each network connection. The send rate may be increased after the expiration of the interval specified by 'sndrateincsecs'. The send rate may be decreased after the expiration of the interval specified by 'sndratedecsecs'. The val- ue specified represents a percentage multiplied by a factor of 10.
sndratesecs	4	The actual send rate calculation interval
startratep	750 (75.0%)	This is the percentage factor used to calculate the initial send rate of each network connection. This value is applied against the maximum rate for the connection, as specified in the PAM, NRB, or by the 'defstartkbitspersec' parameter. During the course of the connection, the actual send rate may be adjusted, based on network activity. The value specified represents a percentage multiplied by a factor of 10.
usercvgapq	0	This indicates whether or not Netex should use the receive gap queue. This should currently remain at 0.
userexmitq	1	Specifies whether or not to use the retransmit queue.
writeto	45	the number of seconds a write will wait to be ac- cepted by netex before failing

NTX_Parameter	Default	Definition
xdbg	0	This is a special debug option to see details of throttling. Setting the value > 0 will turn on xdbg tracing, default is 0.
ENDINI		Indicates the end of parameters. Anything after this line will be processed as an NTXOPER com- mand.

Notes:

- Some of the parameters documented above may not be included in the sample ntx_default file (*"/usr/share/nesi/netex/site/ntx_default"*). It is the responsibility of the user to enter these values as necessary into the installation-specific copy of "ntx_default" prior to starting NetEx.
- After a re-install or upgrade install, it is possible to have a newer ntx_default file. If so, it will be named ntx_default.rpmnew. It is the responsibility of the user to merge or update ntx_default to reflect any additions or deletions.

Appendix H: NetEx Default Parameters Mapping

This section maps the NetEx default parameter names with the operator commands and display names. Shaded entries are for NetEx protocol 4 only and are not supported at this time.

ntx_default	initialization	ntxoper display	ntxoper set	negotiated/ calculated
local	local	Host		
*logerrors	logerrors	(not used)		
*mbxname	mbxname			
*pamfile	pamfile		(load nct changes it)	
*ntxlogname	ntxlogname			
*cctable	cctable			
*msgsyslog	msgsyslog	msgsyslog (d p)	msgsyslog	
*msgsyslogfac	msgsyslogfac	msgsyslogfac	msgsyslogfac	
*ropclass	ropclass	class (d p)	ropclass	
*nodns	nodns			
*ackcredit	ackcredit	Ackcr (d t n)		
*bufcnt	bufcnt			
*connto	connto	contime (d p)	contime	
*datato	datato	readtime (d p)	readtime	
*deadto	deadto	deadtime (d p)	deadtime	
*defblkin	defblkin	defbi (d p)	defbi	
*defblkout	defblkout	defbo (d p)	defbo	
*dreadqueue	dreadqueue	dreadque (d p)		
*idleto	idleto	idletime (d p)	idletime	
*maxblkin	maxblkin	maxbi (d p)	maxbi	Mblki (d t n) - negotiated
*maxblkout	maxblkout	maxbo (d p)	maxbo	Mblko (d t n) - negotiated
*maxmbxxfer	maxmbxxfer			
*mbufin	mbufin	mbufin (d p)	mbufin	Maxrblok (d t n) - calculated

ntx_default	initialization	ntxoper display	ntxoper set	negotiated/ calculated
*mbufout	mbufout	mbufout (d p)	mbufout	Maxtblok (d t n) - calculated
*smqmax	smqmax			
*segsize	segsize	segsize (d p)		Segsize (d t n) - negotiated
*slim	slim	lim ses (d p)		
*smax	smax	max ses (d p)	sesmax	
*timer	timer	wdogint (d p)	wdogint	
*numlogs	numlogs			
*prefprot	prefprot	prefprot (d p)	prefprot	Prot (d t n) - negotiated
*dynpam	dynpam			
*msglvl	msglvl	msglvl (d p)	msglvl	
*multihost	multihost	multihost (d p)	multihost	
*pollsel	pollsel	pollsel (d p)	pollsel	
*userexmitq	userexmitq	userexmitq (d p)	userexmitq	UseReXmQ (d t n)
*rexmwblks	rexmwblks	rexmwblks (d p)	rexmwblks	ReXmWBlks (d t n)
*usercvgapq	usercvgapq	usercvgapq (d p)	usercvgapq	UseRcvGapQ (d t n)
*writeto	writeto			
*xdbg	xdbg	xdbg (d p)	xdbg	
*maxkbitspersec	maxkbitspersec	mxkbs (d p)	maxkbs	Mrate (d t n) - calculated
*highresmsecs	highresmsecs			
*rcvratesecs	rcvratesecs			
*sndratesecs	sndratesecs			
*defmsecsoneway dela	defmsecsone- waydelay			
*rcvdataqlbytes	rcvdataqlbytes	dtql (d p)	rcvdataqlb	DtQLB (d t n)
*rcvdataqlsegs	rcvdataqlsegs	dtqls (d p)	rcvdataqls	DtQLS (d t n)
*rcvdataqhbytes	rcvdataqhbytes	dtqh (d p)	rcvdataqhb	DtQHB (d t n)
*rcvdataqhsegs	rcvdataqhsegs	dtqhs (d p)	rcvdataqhs	DtQHS (d t n)

ntx_default	initialization	ntxoper display	ntxoper set	negotiated/ calculated
*startratep	startratep			
*defstartkbitsperse c	defstartkbitspersec			
*rtdelayincsecs	rtdelayincsecs			
*ratedelaydecp	ratedelaydecp			
*sndrateupsecs	sndrateupsecs			
*sndratepl	sndratepl			
*sndrateps	sndrateps			
*sndrateph	sndrateph			
*rateequivpl	rateequivpl			
*rateequivps	rateequivps			
*rateequivph	rateequivph			
*minkbitspersec	minkbitspersec			
*bufolimit	bufolimit	bufolim (d p)	bufolim	BufOLim (d t n)
*oktodec	oktodec			
*nakdec	nakdec			
*modsegsz	modsegsz			
*minnpdu	minnpdu			
*startnpdu	startnpdu			
*segdownp	segdownp			
*segupp	segupp			
*delincp	delincp			
*delincsreq	delincsreq			
*delincrreq	delincrreq			
*commipod	commipod			
*userexmitq	userexmitq	userexmitq (d p)	userexmitq	UseReXmQ (d t n)
*rexmwblks	rexmwblks	rexmwblks (d p)	rexmwblks	ReXmWBlks (d t n)
*usercvgap	usercvgapq	usercvgapq (d p)	usercvgapq	UseRcvGapQ (d t n)
*debugreq	debugreq	dbgreq (d p)	dbgreq	

ntx_default	initialization	ntxoper display	ntxoper set	negotiated/ calculated
*debugret	debugret	dbgret (d p)	dbgret	
*debugmsg	debugmsg	dbgmsg (d p)	dbgmsg	
*debugdata	debugdata	dbgdata (d p)	dbgdata	
*udpport	udpport			
*iprecv	iprecv			
*ipsend	ipsend			
*mtudisc	mtudisc	mtudisc (d p)		
*ipchksum	ipchksum			
*ip1intrf	ip1intrf			
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device4	device4			
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