# mruby extension module for monitoring system

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## Agenda



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## Introduction of MIRACLE ZBX (1/2)



- Monitoring system developed in MIRACLE LINUX
- Forked from OSS Zabbix under GPL2
  - Support many monitoring types including agent, ssh, SNMP, IPMI, etc...
- Add some special features that we need

Additional event log filter in Web interface

Additional runtime configuration

Customized Windows eventlog key

etc...



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I made mruby extension module by this feature

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## What is mruby extension module



- Execute mruby function in mruby file and return the result to monitoring server
  - Similar as mruby version of "Loadable module"

key: mruby.module[sample.rb,args]

Execute mruby code string and return the result to monitoring server

key: mruby.eval[p "hello world"]

## Why mruby module is needed



- Easier than C

- Faster than scripting language

- Embed to existing process, **no fork** 

## Structure of mruby extension module

#### Overview of mruby extension module



- Work as a C loadable module
- Translate C function call into mruby function call



MIRACLE ZBX Agent process (multiprocess)

call call return return 000 mruby module mruby extension MIRACLE ZBX Agent module written in C

### When the mruby code is called



- zbx\_module\_init() in "MonitoringModule" class
  - When the agent process start
- zbx\_module\_run(args) in "MonitoringModule"
   class
  - When the monitoring key is monitored
  - The function can have Arguments.

```
key: mruby.module[sample.rb,arg1,arg2,...]
mruby function: zbx_module_run(arg1,arg2,...)
```

- zbx\_module\_uninit() in "MonitoringModule"
   class
  - When the agent process stop



## Problems with multiprocess



#### Monitoring agent works in multiprocess

 For sharing data, shared memory is needed.

- For locking, **semaphore lock** is needed.



#### Shared memory



#### mruby-cache

https://github.com/charlescui/mruby-cache

- Made by CharlesCui
- "Mruby Inter Process Share Memory.
   Exchange memory space with mmap for multi mruby process."

```
cache = Cache.new :namespace=>"foo"
cache["key"] = "value"
cache["key"] # => "value"
```

### Semaphore lock



#### mruby-semlock

https://github.com/tszki/mruby-semlock

- Made for mruby extension module
- Implementation to use semaphore lock

```
sem = Semlock.new "./sample.rb", 0, 1, 0600
# keyfile, prj_num, sem_num, permission
sem.lock(0) # lock with waiting
sem.unlock(0) # unlock
status = sem.trylock(0) # lock without waiting
sem.unlock(0) if status # unlock
sem.remove # remove semaphore
```

#### Sample code in multiprocess



#### Updating shared variable safely

```
cache = Cache.new :namespace=>"foo"
sem = Semlock.new "./sample.rb", 0, 1, 0600
cache["key"] = "0"
sem.lock(0) # lock
cache["key"] = (cache["key"].to i + 1).to s
# updating safely
sem.unlock(0) # unlock
sem.remove
```

#### Other included mrbgems



- mruby-base64
- mruby-cache
- mruby-curl
- mruby-digest
- mruby-dir
- mruby-http
- mruby-httprequest
- mruby-io
- mruby-json
- mruby-marshal
- mruby-mtest
- mruby-mutex
- mruby-oauth
- mruby-pack
- mruby-polarssl

- mruby-process
- mruby-semlock
- mruby-simplehttp
- mruby-sleep
- mruby-socket
- mruby-userdata

## How to use mruby extension module

#### Installation



For MIRACLE LINUX v7 and other RHEL7 compatible distributions

#### MIRACLE ZBX 3.0.0alpha2-1

http://ftp.miraclelinux.com/zbx/preview/miracle-zbx-3.0.0alpha2pkgs.tar.gz

```
$ tar xzvf miracle-zbx-3.0.0alpha2-pkgs.tar.gz
$ cd miracle-zbx-3.0.0alpha2-pkgs/x86_64
$ sudo rpm -ihv miracle-zbx-3.0.0alpha2-1.ML7.x86_64.rpm \
miracle-zbx-agent-3.0.0alpha2-1.ML7.x86_64.rpm
```

#### - mruby extension module

```
Project page:
```

```
https://github.com/tszki/mruby-extension-module-for-miracle-zbx/mruby extension module rpm:
```

https://github.com/tszki/mruby-extension-module-for-miracle-zbx/raw/master/rpm/mruby-extension-module-for-miracle-zbx-1.0.0-1.ML7.x86 64.rpm

```
$ sudo rpm -ihv \
mruby-extension-module-for-miracle-zbx-1.0.0-1.ML7.x86_64.rpm
```



### Setting



 "loadable module" setting is set by installed conf file.

```
/etc/zabbix/zabbix_agentd.d/mruby_extension_module.conf
```

LoadModulePath=/usr/lib64/zabbix/modules LoadModule=mruby\_extension\_module.so

#### Copy sample mruby files

```
# cp -p /usr/lib64/zabbix/modules/mruby_module/sample.rb.sample \
   /usr/lib64/zabbix/modules/mruby_module/sample.rb
```

#### - Start agent service

```
# systemctl start zabbix-agent.service
```



#### Checking



#### - mruby.module[]

```
$ zabbix_get -s 127.0.0.1 -k 'mruby.module[sample.rb]'
Hello world. I drunk 1 cups of water

$ zabbix_get -s 127.0.0.1 -k 'mruby.module[sample.rb,
Hi.]'
Hi. I drunk 2 cups of water
```

#### mruby.eval[]

```
$ zabbix_get -s 127.0.0.1 -k 'mruby.eval[p "hello
world"]'
hello world
```

## **Demo**

