UCI® Command Line Interface Reference

Unified Configuration Interface (**UCI**[®]) is an API of OpenWrt[®] which is also a utility to intend and to centralize the whole configuration of a device running on OpenWrt[®].

Using UCI

- 1. Open an SSH terminal connection and connect to the device
- 2. Type the following command to execute UCI:

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#uci
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3. Then step ito the OpenWrt/UCI system configuration files directory, where all configuration items of the UCI are located in the /etc/config/

#cd /etc/config/

4. Then check the files here:

#ls

root@M2M-Pro4	:/e	etc/config	; # ls	-1					
-rw-rr	1	root	root		947	Apr	20	13:08	dhcp
-rw-rr	1	root	root		62	Apr	20	12:05	dropbear
-rw	1	root	root		670	Apr	12	12:39	easycwmp
-rw-rr	1	root	root		2849	Apr	19	09:55	firewall
-rw-rr	1	root	root		484	Apr	12	12:39	fstab
-rw-rr	1	root	root		822	Jan	1	1970	luci
-rw-rr	1	root	root		3785	Apr	17	12:52	luci_statistics
-rw-rr	1	root	root		662	Apr	20	13:08	network
-rw	1	root	root		392	Apr	20	13:16	ntpclient
-rw	1	root	root		97	Mar	7	16:01	rpcd
-rw	1	root	root		809	Mar	7	16:01	ser2net
-rw-rr	1	root	root		1267	Apr	20	12:05	system
-rw-rr	1	root	root		860	Apr	20	12:06	ucitrack
-rw	1	root	root		752	Apr	12	12:39	uhttpd
-rw-rr	1	root	root		328	Apr	18	15:03	users
root@M2M-Pro4	:/e	etc/confid	r#						

Syntax of UCI

Before continuing to use the UCI, let's see its syntax:

#uci [options] commands arguments

*Using options is optional, it is not obilgatory to use.

Commands

Command	Target	Description
batch	-	Executes a multi-line UCI script which is typically wrapped into a here document syntax
export	[<config>]</config>	Exports the configuration in a machine readable format. It is used internally to evaluate configuration files as shell scripts
import	[<config>]</config>	Imports configuration files in UCI syntax
changes	[<config>]</config>	Lists staged changes to the given configuration file or if none given, all configuration files
commit	[<config>]</config>	Writes changes of the given configuration file, or if none is given, all configuration files, to the filesystem. All "uci set", "uci add", "uci rename" and "uci delete" commands are staged into a temporary location until they are written to flash with the "uci commit" command. This is used exclusively for UCI commands and is not needed after editing configuration files with a text editor
add	<config> <section-type></section-type></config>	Adds an anonymous section of type <i>section-type</i> to the given configuration
add_list	<config>.<section>.<option>=<string></string></option></section></config>	Adds the given <i>string</i> to an existing list option
del_list	<config>.<section>.<option>=<string></string></option></section></config>	Removes the given string from an existing list option

show	[<config>[.<section>[.<option>]]]</option></section></config>	Shows the given option, section or configuration in compressed notation. If no option is given, shows all configuration files
get	<config>.<section>[.<option>]</option></section></config>	Gets the value of the given option or the type of the given section
set	<config>.<section>[.<option>]=<value></value></option></section></config>	Sets the value of the given option, or add a new section with the type set to the given <i>value</i>
delete	<config>[.<section>[[.<option>][=<id>]]]</id></option></section></config>	Deletes the given section or option
rename	<config>.<section>[.<option>]=<name></name></option></section></config>	Renames the given option or section to the given name
revert	<config>[.<section>[.<option>]]</option></section></config>	Reverts the given option, section or configuration file. Used to undo any changes performed with UCI and not yet committed with <i>uci commit</i>
reorder	<config>.<section>=<position></position></section></config>	Moves the specified section to the given <i>position</i> . Used for easier management purposes

Options

-c	<path></path>	set the search path for config files (default: /etc/config)					
-d	<str></str>	set the delimiter for list values in uci show					
-f	<file></file>	use <file> as input instead of stdin</file>					
-m		when importing, merge data into an existing package					
-n		name unnamed sections on export (default)					
-N		don't name unnamed sections					
-p	<path></path>	add a search path for config change files					
-P	<path></path>	add a search path for config change files and use as default					
-q		quiet mode (don't print error messages)					
-s		force strict mode (stop on parser errors, default)					
-S		disable strict mode					
-X		do not use extended syntax on 'show'					

Checking by UCI

The commands are listed, but for arguments you have to know the useable configuration elements.

1. Then the following command will list the config files:

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#ls /etc/config
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2. There you will found the following list, then you can use these configuration elements at arguments:

root@M2M-Pro4:~#	ls /etc/config		
dhcp	fstab	ntpclient	ucitrack
dropbear	luci	rpcd	uhttpd
easycwmp	luci_statistics	ser2net	users
firewall	network	system	

If you are at new at using UCI, we offer to check the configuration of some services first. The **SHOW** command is for that.

- 1. For example choose the **"dhcp**" from the list by UCI.
- 2. Then to check **"dhcp**" arguments and settings, use the following command:

#uci show dhcp

3. Then the current dhcp settings will be listed

🞤 root@M2M-Pro4: ~	
dhcp.@dnsmasq[0].nonwildcard='1'	-
dhcp.@dnsmasq[0].localservice='1'	
dhcp.lan=dhcp	
dhcp.lan.interface='lan'	
dhcp.lan.start='100'	
dhcp.lan.limit='150'	
dhcp.lan.leasetime='12h'	
dhcp.lan.dhcpv6='server'	
dhcp.lan.ra='server'	
dhcp.lan.ra_management='1'	
dhcp.wan=dhcp	
dhcp.wan.interface='wan'	
dhcp.wan.ignore='1'	
dhcp.odhcpd=odhcpd	
dhcp.odhcpd.maindhcp='0'	
dhcp.odhcpd.leasefile='/tmp/hosts/odhcpd'	
dhcp.odhcpd.leasetrigger='/usr/sbin/odhcpd-update'	
dhcp.odhcpd.loglevel='4'	
dhcp.usblan=dhcp	
dhcp.usblan.start='100'	
dhcp.usblan.leasetime='12h'	
dhcp.usblan.limit='150'	
dhcp.usblan.interface='usblan'	
root@M2M-Pro4:~#	-

Another example to check your TR-069 settings:

#uci show easycwmp

Then the current TR-069 arguments and settings will be listed

🧬 root@M2M-Pro4: ∼	
easycwmp.@local[0].username='easycwmp'	
easycwmp.@local[0].logging_level='3'	
easycwmp.@acs[0]=acs	
easycwmp.@acs[0].url='http://192.168.1.110:8080/openacs/acs'	
easycwmp.@acs[0].username='easycwmp'	
easycwmp.@acs[0].periodic_enable='1'	
easycwmp.@acs[0].periodic_interval='100'	
easycwmp.@acs[0].periodic_time='0001-01-01T00:00:00Z'	
easycwmp.@acs[0].ssl_cert='easycwmp.cert'	
easycwmp.@device[0]=device	
easycwmp.@device[0].oui='FFFFF'	
easycwmp.@device[0].serial_number='FFFFF123456'	
easycwmp.@device[0].manufacturer='OpenWrt	
http://lede-project.org/'	
easycwmp.@device[0].product_class='Generic'	
easycwmp.@device[0].hardware_version='v0'	
easycwmp.@device[0].software_version='r6395-6c19407'	
firewall.@defaults[0]=defaults	
firewall.@defaults[0].syn_flood='1'	
firewall.@defaults[0].input='ACCEPT'	
firewall.@defaults[0].output='ACCEPT'	
firewall.@defaults[0].forward='REJECT'	
firewall.@zone[0]=zone	
firewall.@zone[0].name='lan'	-

To view a configuration file such as /etc/config/network:

#uci export network

When you checked the configuration of the service, then you will be able to get detailed information on that by the **GET** command. The structure of the **GET** command is the following:

uci get <config>.<section>[.<option>]

Configuration files

File	Description
/etc/config/dhcp	Stores Dnsmasq configuration and DHCP settings
/etc/config/dropbear	Stores List Of Blocked Addresses configuration settings
/etc/config/easycwmp	Stores EasyCwmp configuration settings
/etc/config/firewall	Stores Firewall rules configuration settings
/etc/config/fstab	Stores network Shares configuration settings
/etc/config/luci	Base LuCI config
/etc/config/luci_statistics	LuCI statistics
/etc/config/network	Stores Network (LAN, WAN, Mobile interface) interface configuration settings
/etc/config/ntpclient	Stores NTP configuration settings

/etc/config/rpcd	Stores Login settings
/etc/config/ser2net	RS485 serial proxy settings
/etc/config/system	Stores various system settings (e.g., modem settings, reset button settings, device's hostname, etc.)
/etc/config/ucitrack	Stores init script information
/etc/config/uhttpd	Stores RMS configuration settings
/etc/config/uhttpd	http daemon settings
/etc/config/users	User settings

Setting and configuring by UCI for the modem

For example, to setup TR-069 certification file use the following commands, setup the *url* (with the ACS server and http(s) URL, and *ssl_cert* (with path and filename of the certification file on the local device) entries.

Then you have to commit the changes to apply.



Important!

For using the certification file, you have to copy to the path you were given.

Copy the .cert file to the **/etc/easycwmp/ directory** to the modem. You can use e.g. the **WinSCP** tool for that (*SCP* protocol, *port 22*, by defining an *account* and *password* for the connection).

/etc/easycwmp/						
Name	Size	Changed	Rights	Owner		
<mark></mark> .		1970. 01. 01. 2:17:38	rwxrwxr-x	root		
udstats		1970. 01. 01. 2:16:46	rwxrwxr-x	root		
easycwmp.cert	6 KB	2018. 04. 21. 9:22:42	rw-rr	root		
ssl_cacert.pem	5 KB	2018. 12. 14. 17:09:41	rw-rr	root		
ssl_cert.pem	4 KB	2018. 11. 23. 14:07:39	rw-rr	root		