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1. Introduction

1.1 Preface

This document is the TETware User Guide.

TETware is implemented on UNIX operating systems and also on the Windows NT and Windows 95 operating systems. It includes all of the functionality of the Test Environment Toolkit Release 1.10 (TET), the Distributed Test Environment Toolkit Version 2 Release 2.3 (dTET2) and the Extended Test Environment Toolkit Release 1.10.3 (ETET), together with a number of new features.

Throughout this document, the Windows NT and Windows 95 operating systems are referred to collectively as **Win32 systems**. The individual system names are only used when it is necessary to distinguish between them.

1.2 Audience

This document is intended to be read by systems administrators who will install TETware on their computer systems, and by software testing engineers who will use TETware to run verification test suites.

Test suite authors should refer to the TETware Programmers Guide for information about how to use the TETware Application Program Interface.

1.3 Conventions used in this guide

The following typographic conventions are used throughout this guide:

- Courier font is used for function and program names, literals and file names. Examples and computer-generated output are also presented in this font.
- The names of variables are presented in *italic font*. You should substitute the variable's value when typing a command that contains a word in this font.
- **Bold font** is used for headings and for emphasis.

Long lines in some examples and computer-generated output have been folded at a \ character for formatting purposes. If you type such an example, you should type it in all on one line and omit the \ character.

1.4 Related documents

Refer to the following documents for additional information about TETware:

- Test Environment Toolkit: TETware Installation Guide

 There is one version of this document for each operating system family on which TETware is implemented.
- Test Environment Toolkit: TETware Programmers Guide
- Test Environment Toolkit: TETware Knowledge Base

In addition, the TETware Release Notes contain important information about how to install and use TETware. You should read the release notes thoroughly before attempting to install and use

each new release of TETware.

1.5 Problem reporting

If you have subscribed to TETware support and you encounter a problem while installing and using TETware, you can send a support request by electronic mail to the address given in the TETware Release Notes. Please follow the instructions contained in the release notes about how to submit such a request; in particular, please be sure to include all the information asked for by these instructions when submitting the request.

2. TETware overview

2.1 Introduction

The purpose of TETware is to provide a uniform framework, or test scaffold, into which both non-distributed and distributed test suites can be incorporated. By providing such a scaffold, test suites from different vendors can share a common interface allowing for, among other things, ease of portability.

In this context, and throughout this guide, the term **non-distributed test** means a test which executes on a single computer system. A non-distributed test can execute on the local system (that is: the system on which the TETware Test Case Controller is executing) or on a remote system (that is: a system other than the one on which the TETware Test Case Controller is executing).

Likewise, the term **distributed test** means a test which consists of several parts; each test part executes concurrently on a different computer system and contributes to the overall test result. Typically, distributed tests are used to verify some kind of interaction between two or more systems.

2.2 Test suite structure

A **test suite** is the largest grouping of tests that can be processed by the TETware Test Case Controller.

A test suite is made up of one or more **test cases**. A test case is the smallest test program unit that can be built or cleaned up by the Test Case Controller.

A test case consists of one or more **invocable components**. An invocable component is the smallest test program unit that can be executed by the Test Case Controller.

An invocable component consists of one or more **test purposes**. A test purpose typically tests an individual element of system operation for conformance to some statement of required behaviour, and yields a **result** indicating whether or not the element passed the test. Often, an invocable component contains a single test purpose.

A **distributed test purpose** is a test purpose which consists of several parts and each part executes on a different computer system. Each part of a distributed test purpose submits a **partial result** which indicates the success or failure of that part of the test purpose. These partial results are gathered from the various parts of the test purpose and, after arbitration between the partial results, a **consolidated result** is generated for the test purpose which appears in the test case journal file. A description of the way in which this arbitration is performed is presented in the section entitled "Making journal entries" in the TETware Programmers Guide.

A **test scenario** is a list of one or more invocable components from a test suite that are processed by a particular Test Case Controller invocation. A test suite often has a scenario named **all** associated with it; this scenario simply lists all the invocable components in the test suite.

2.3 TETware versions

TETware is available in one of two versions. One version is called **TETware-Lite** and is able to process non-distributed test cases on a single computer system (the local system). The other version is called **Distributed TETware** and is able to process both distributed and non-distributed test cases on the local system and on one or more remote systems.

2.4 Components

TETware-Lite includes the following components:

- A Test Case Controller providing support for the building, execution, and clean-up of test scenarios. The name of this component is tcc¹.
- Test Case Managers and Application Programming Interface libraries which can be used to build test cases written in C, C++, Shell, Korn Shell, Perl and Java. These components are not executable programs but are instead linked or otherwise included in each user-supplied test case.

^{1.} On Win32 systems, executable program files have the suffix .exe.

The names of these components are as follows²:

C Test Case Manager tcm.o C API child process interface module tcmchild.o C API function library libapi.a Thread-safe C Test Case Manager³ thrtcm.o Thread-safe C API child process interface module thrtcmchild.o Thread-safe C API function library libthrapi.a C Test Case Manager Ctcm.o C++ API child process interface module Ctcmchild.o Cthrtcm.o Thread-safe C++ Test Case Manager Thread-safe C++ API child process interface module Cthrtcmchild.o Shell Test Case Manager tcm.sh Shell API function library tetapi.sh Korn Shell Test Case Manager tcm.ksh tetapi.ksh Korn Shell API function library Perl Test Case Manager tcm.pl Perl API function library api.pl Java Test Case Manager and API class library jet.jar Java API support function library for test cases⁴ libjapi.so Java API support function library for subprograms⁵ libjapichild.so

• Support tools for use when processing Java test cases. The names of these components are: jet-build, jet-exec, jet-clean and jet-spawn.

In addition to the components described for TETware-Lite, Distributed TETware includes the following components:

- A Test Case Controller daemon which performs test case processing actions on behalf of the Test Case Controller (tccd).
- A Test Case Controller daemon bootstrap program for use on Windows NT systems (tccdstart).
- A Synchronisation daemon which handles synchronisation requests from different parts of a distributed test case (tetsyncd).
- An Execution Results daemon which handles journal entries made by test cases (tetxresd).

^{2.} The .o and .a suffixes shown here are the ones that are used on UNIX operating systems. On Win32 systems the .o files instead have the suffix .obj and the .a files instead have the suffix .lib. All the other suffixes are the same on each operating system.

^{3.} On UNIX systems the thread-safe components can be built to support either POSIX threads or UI threads (but not both at the same time).

On Win32 systems the thread-safe components are built for use with the multi-threaded DLL version of the C runtime support library.

^{4.} On Win32 systems the name of this component is japi.dll.

^{5.} On Win32 systems the name of this component is japichild.dll.

- The C API includes a remote executed process interface module (tcmrem.o).
- An exec tool called tet_start which enables user interaction with parts of a distributed test case.

In Distributed TETware, the C, C++ and Java APIs may be used to build both distributed and non-distributed test cases. The other APIs may be used to build non-distributed test cases which may, nevertheless, be processed on both the local system and on remote systems.

The distributed Test Case Controller can process test cases written to use either the Distributed or Lite versions of all the APIs. However, the TETware-Lite Test Case Controller cannot process test cases written to use the Distributed versions of the C, C++ and Java APIs.

Although Distributed TETware is a superset of TETware-Lite, the way in which the Test Case Controller operates is rather different in the two TETware versions, as follows:

- In TETware-Lite, the Test Case Controller itself performs all the actions that are required to process test cases.
- By contrast, Distributed TETware uses a client-server architecture. The distributed version
 of the Test Case Controller does not itself perform the actions required to process test
 cases. Instead, it issues requests to servers running on each participating system which
 perform the required actions in its behalf. Thus the distributed version of the Test Case
 Controller can process test cases on the local system, on one or more remote systems, or on
 some combination of the two.

Reference manual pages for TETware programs and file formats are presented in an appendix to this guide. Test suite authors should refer to the TETware Programmers Guide for information about the TETware APIs.

2.5 Features and facilities

TETware provides facilities to execute test cases in several ways as follows. All these facilities are available in Distributed TETware. Facilities marked with a † are not available in TETware-Lite.

- Execution of non-distributed test cases on the local system (i.e., local test cases).
- Execution of non-distributed test cases on a single remote system (i.e., remote test cases).†
- Concurrent execution of non-distributed test cases on several remote systems.†
- Execution of distributed test cases with the parts of each test case executing simultaneously
 on either the local system and one or more remote systems, or entirely on two or more
 remote systems.[†]
- Execution of a single test case selected at random from a list of test cases.
- Combinations of the above elements executing in parallel.
- Sequences of the above elements executing a specified number of times or until some time period has expired.

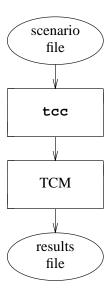
2.6 Simple TETware architecture diagrams

2.6.1 Introduction

The diagrams presented in this section provide a simplified view of how the different TETware components relate to each other. More complete diagrams are presented in the appendix entitled "Conceptual models used by TETware" in the TETware Programmers Guide.

2.6.2 TETware-Lite architecture

The following diagram provides a simplified view of how the different components relate to each other in TETware-Lite:

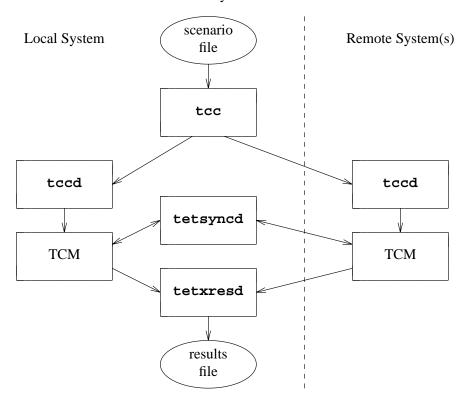


tcc - TETware-Lite Test Case ControllerTCM - Test Case Manager + test case parts

It will be seen that all the processing takes place on a single system (the local system) and that a client/server architecture is not used. Thus, remote and distributed test cases cannot be processed by TETware-Lite.

2.6.3 Distributed TETware architecture

The following diagram provides a simplified view of how the different components relate to each other when a distributed test case is executed by Distributed TETware:



- Distributed TETware Test Case Controller

tccd - Test Case Controller daemon
 tetsyncd - Synchronisation daemon
 tetxresd - Execution results daemon

TCM – Test Case Manager + test case parts

Processing is similar when Distributed TETware executes a non-distributed test case; the main difference is that the Synchronisation daemon tetsyncd does not participate in this type of processing.

It will be seen from this diagram that, unlike dTET2, the architecture used by Distributed TETware is fully symmetrical. That is, there is no longer a distinction between master and slave systems when test cases are executed. tcc does not itself perform test case management functions but instead requests tccd to do so on its behalf. Consequently it does not matter whether a (non-distributed) test case or a (distributed) test case part is processed on the local system⁶ or on a remote system; the processing logic is the same in each case.

^{6.} That is: the system on which tcc runs.

2.7 Distributed TETware systems and network options

When the Distributed TETware version of tcc processes test cases, it may do so on a **local system** and/or one or more **remote systems**. This is illustrated by the diagram presented in the previous section which shows that several server processes take part in this processing.

Although it is usual for each TETware system to reside on a different physical machine, the way that systems are defined makes it possible for more than one logical TETware system to map to a physical machine. Indeed, it would be possible for all the logical systems participating in a distributed test case to coexist on a single physical machine if such a configuration were to be required. The way that the mapping of logical systems to physical machines is performed is described in the chapter entitled "Using TETware" elsewhere in this guide.

TETware server processes communicate with each other using some kind of network interface. Support is provided for several different network interfaces and the decision as to which one to use must be made before TETware is built. This is described further in the chapter entitled "Building TETware" in each of the platform-specific versions of the TETware Installation Guide.

2.8 Supported operating system types

TETware-Lite has been implemented for use on computers which run UNIX operating systems and also on computers which run the Windows NT and Windows 95 operating systems. Distributed TETware has been implemented for use on computers which run UNIX operating systems and also on computers which run the Windows NT operating system.

The design of TETware and its predecessors has been influenced to a large extent by the facilities that are available on UNIX systems. While care has been taken to ensure that the UNIX and Win32 implementations operate in as similar a way as possible, it is inevitable that certain differences exist between them. These differences are discussed further in the appendix entitled "Implementation notes for TETware on Win32 systems" at the end of this guide.

3. Installing TETware

There is one version of the TETware Installation Guide for each family of operating systems on which TETware is implemented. For details of how to build and install TETware, please refer to the version of the TETware Installation Guide that is appropriate for your computer system.

4. Running the TETware demonstrations

4.1 Introduction

This chapter describes how to run the TETware demonstration test suites. Before you can run the demonstrations, you should install TETware on all the systems that you want to use to run local, remote or distributed tests.

There are several demonstration test suites for use with TETware as follows:

TETware demonstration test suites									
Name	Path	Description							
demo110	tet-root/contrib/	Simple demonstration test suite for the C API. This test suite is documented in the TET Programmers Guide.							
cplusdemo	tet-root/contrib/	Simple demonstration test suite for the C++ API. This is the C API demonstration suite (demo110) modified to use the C++ API.							
demo	tet-root/contrib/	Another simple demonstration test suite for the C API. This includes a further illustration of the capabilities of TETware. The instructions in the README file should be followed. A version of this test suite ported to Win32 systems is provided in the file <i>tet-root</i> /contrib/win32.zip.							
perldemo	tet-root/contrib/	Demonstration test suite for the Perl API. This is a Perl API demonstration suite similar to the simple C API demonstration. A version of this test suite ported to Win32 systems is provided in the directory <i>tet-root</i> /contrib/NTperldemo.							
SHELL-API	tet-root/contrib/	Demonstration test suite for the Shell API.							
tcldemo	tet-root/contrib/	Demonstration test suite for the TCL API. The TCL API is also included in the contrib distribution.							
capi	tet-root/contrib/	An extended C API demo suite that is described in the TETware Programmers Guide. This test suite includes additional build tools and a sample report writer. It tests the chmod(), uname(), fileno() and stat() system interfaces. See the README file included with this test suite for more information.							
jdemo	tet-root/	A simple demonstration test suite for the Java API. This test suite is described in the TETware Programmers Guide.							
demo	tet-root/src/tet3/	Distributed demonstration test suite for the C API. This is the official demonstration test suite for Distributed TETware, and is described in the TETware Programmers Guide.							

Note that the contributed demonstrations below *tet-root*/contrib have been designed by their contributors to work on UNIX systems unless otherwise noted above, and it is likely that a small amount of porting effort will be required in order to cause these demonstrations to install and/or function correctly on a Win32 system. In most cases this effort includes (at least) the modification of the build, clean and installation mechanisms in order to cater for the different file names and suffixes which must be used on Win32 systems.

4.2 System requirements

The distributed demonstration must be run using Distributed TETware. The other demonstrations can be run using either Distributed TETware or TETware-Lite.

You should follow the instructions in **one** of the following subsections at this level, depending on which version of TETware you have installed.

4.2.1 Using TETware-Lite

There is no system configuration required when you run the demonstrations using TETware-Lite. Note that since TETware-Lite is not able to process distributed test cases, it cannot be used to run the distributed demonstration.

4.2.2 Using Distributed TETware

4.2.2.1 Configuration

If you have installed Distributed TETware, you will need to make use of two machines connected to the same local area network in order to run the distributed demonstration program. When the distributed demonstration is run, one of these machines will act as the local (or **master**) system and the other will act as the remote (or **slave**) system. The master system is defined as the one on which you will run tcc.

Although the simple C, Perl and C++ demonstrations can be run on a single machine, they still require the following setup when run with Distributed TETware.

You must perform the following actions:

- 1. Ensure that Distributed TETware is installed on each system that will participate in the demonstrations.
- 2. Verify that the tccd daemon is running on the system(s) and that it has permission to access and modify both the **tet root** directory and the **test suite root** directory hierarchy.
- 3. Ensure that you know the name of the *tet-root* directory on each system.
- 4. If you have installed the version of Distributed TETware which uses the socket network interface, you should ensure that an entry for each participating system exists in the systems.equiv file on each system. On a UNIX system this file is located in the tet user's home directory. On a Windows NT system this file is located in the directory specified by the value of the HOME environment variable which is in effect when teed is started, or in teed's current working directory if no HOME variable is present.

4.2.2.2 The systems file

Before you can run the demonstration programs, you must customise the systems file.

In order to do this, you should log in to the master system and change directory to *tet-root*. The file *tet-root*/systems contains the mappings that assign system identifiers to host names. An example systems file is supplied for use with the demonstration in *tet-root*/src/tet3/demo/systems. It contains lines similar to the following:

```
# Example system file for demonstration
000 master
001 slave
```

You should copy this file to *tet-root*/systems on the master system. Then, edit the copy, replacing master with the host name of the master system and slave with the host name of the slave system. You should ensure that these host names are in the host database on both the master and the slave system (often in the file /etc/hosts on UNIX systems).

Once you have customised the systems file on the master system, you should copy it to the **tet root** directory on the slave machine.

4.3 The C API demonstrations

4.3.1 Part 1 — the contrib/demol10 test suite

This section describes how to run the simple demonstration TET test suite in *tet-root*/contrib/demo. This is the standard TET 1.10 demonstration. This test suite executes only on a single system and does not require remote systems to be set up.

The following instructions will cause the test suite to be built, executed and cleaned:

1. To start, if you are not already there, change to the directory in which the demonstration test suite resides, thus:

```
cd tet-root/contrib/demol10
```

- 2. Make sure that *tet-root*/bin is in your PATH.
- 3. Set your TET_ROOT environment variable to refer to *tet-root*, thus:

```
TET_ROOT=tet-root export TET_ROOT
```

- 4. Review the contents of ts/makefile and ensure that it is correct for your system.
- 5. Type the following command to run the demonstration:

```
tcc -bec contrib/demol10
```

As the demonstration executes, it displays the following message:

```
Journal file is: tet-root/contrib/demol10/results/0001bec/journal
```

You can then look in *tet-root*/contrib/demoll0/results/0001bec/journal to see the results of the demonstration. Note that, when using Distributed TETware, standard output from test cases is redirected to the tccd log file (defaults to /tmp/tccdlog).

A sample filter to generate a results summary is contained in *tet-root*/contrib/usltools/vres. This filter is an awk script. Type the following

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commands in order to install and run this script:

```
cp $TET_ROOT/contrib/usltools/vres $TET_ROOT/bin/vres
chmod a+x $TET_ROOT/bin/vres
vres results/0001bec/journal
```

When run, vres produces the following output:

```
Results: results/0001bec/journal
Total tests:
                         3
                           PASS = 3 FAIL = 0
Pass Breakdown:
Number of successes: 3
                                Number of warnings:
                                                          0
Number unsupported: 0
Number of untested: 0
                                Number not in use:
                                 Number of FIP:
                                                          0
Failure Breakdown:
Number of failures:
Number uninitiated:
                       0
                                 Number unresolved:
                                                          0
                        0
                                 Number unreported:
```

Other sample report writer tools are included in the *tet-root*/contrib/crpt, *tet-root*/contrib/tetreport and *tet-root*/contrib/scripts directories.

An alternative execution scenario file is provided to demonstrate some of the ETET-derived features of TETware. The name of this file is *tet-root*/contrib/demoll0/etet_scen and its contents are as follows:

```
Demonstration test suite.
        A default execution scenario to demo the ETET features
#
tests
        "starting scenario"
        /ts/tcl
        /ts/tc2
        "next is the last test case"
        /ts/tc3
        "done"
all
        "pick a random test"
        :random:^tests
        "repeat four times /ts/tc1"
        :repeat,4:@/ts/tcl
        "run all the tests in parallel"
        :parallel:^tests
        "pick random tests for 35 seconds"
        :timed_loop,35;random:^tests
```

The following commands will build and execute the test suite using the ETET-derived features:

```
tcc -b contrib/demo
tcc -e -p -v TET_COMPAT=etet -s etet_scen contrib/demo
```

4.3.2 Part 2 — the contrib/demo test suite

This section describes how to run the C demonstration TET test suite in *tet-root*/contrib/demo. This test suite executes only on a single system and does not require remote systems to be set up.

This is a modified version of the demol10 test suite and is intended to give familiarity with the outline structure for a test suite and its associated files, the test scenario file and the tcc command.

The file tet_scen is the default scenario or "test list" to be executed. The example given has a simple scenario named all which is used by default, and several other example test scenarios that can be called by name.

The following instructions should be followed:

1. Check your environment for running tcc. Make sure that *tet-root*/bin is in your PATH and that the TET_ROOT environment variable refers to *tet-root*, thus:

```
TET_ROOT=tet-root export TET_ROOT
```

2. If you are not already there, change to the directory in which the demonstration test suite resides, thus:

```
cd tet-root/contrib/demo
```

3. Build the test suite as follows:

```
tcc -p -b contrib/demo
```

4. Execute the tests:

```
tcc -p -e contrib/demo
tcc -p -e contrib/demo all # the same as above
```

5. Clean the tests:

```
tcc -p -c contrib/demo
```

6. Rebuild the tests:

```
tcc -p -b contrib/demo
```

7. Review the extended examples within the tet_scen scenario file, and then execute the different test scenarios:

```
tcc -ep contrib/demo parallel
tcc -ep contrib/demo random
tcc -ep contrib/demo enhanced
```

4.4 The C++ API demonstration

This section describes how to run the simple C++ demonstration TET test suite in *tet-root*/contrib/cplusdemo. This test suite executes only on a single system and does not require remote systems to be set up.

The following instructions will cause the test suite to be built, executed and cleaned:

1. To start, if you are not already there, change to the directory in which the demonstration test suite resides, thus:

```
cd tet-root/contrib/cplusdemo
```

- 2. There is a makefile in each test case directory below the ts directory. Review the contents of each makefile and ensure that it is correct for your system.
- 3. Make sure that *tet-root*/bin is in your PATH.
- 4. Set your TET_ROOT environment variable to refer to *tet-root*, thus:

```
TET_ROOT=tet-root export TET_ROOT
```

5. Type the following command to run the demonstration:

```
tcc -bec contrib/cplusdemo
```

As the demonstration executes, it displays the following message:

```
journal file name is: tet-root/contrib/cplusdemo/results/0001bec/journal
```

You can then look in *tet-root*/contrib/cplusdemo/results/0001bec/journal to see the results of the demonstration.

4.5 The Perl API demonstration

This section describes how to run the simple Perl demonstration TET test suite in *tet-root*/contrib/perldemo. This test suite executes only on a single system and does not require remote systems to be set up.

The following instructions will cause the test suite to be built, executed and cleaned:

1. To start, if you are not already there, change to the directory in which the demonstration test suite resides, thus:

```
cd tet-root/contrib/perldemo
```

- 2. Review the contents of ts/makefile and ensure that it is correct for your system.
- 3. Make sure that *tet-root*/bin is in your PATH.
- 4. Set your TET_ROOT environment variable to refer to *tet-root*, thus:

```
TET_ROOT=tet-root export TET_ROOT
```

5. Type the following command to run the demonstration:

```
tcc -bec contrib/perldemo
```

As the demonstration executes, it displays the following message:

```
journal file name is: tet-root/contrib/perldemo/results/0001bec/journal
```

You can then look in *tet-root*/contrib/perldemo/results/0001bec/journal to see the results of the demonstration.

4.6 The Shell API demonstration

This section describes how to run the SHELL API demonstration TET test suite in tet-root/contrib/SHELL-API. This test suite is deliberately simple and tests the user-level commands uname and chmod. Sample tests include checking a returned error code and error message against and expected error code and error message, and printing out system specific information for verification by the tester.

This test suite executes only on a single system and does not require remote systems to be set up.

The following instructions will cause the test suite to be built and executed:

1. To start, if you are not already there, change to the directory in which the demonstration test suite resides, thus:

```
cd tet-root/contrib/SHELL-API
```

- 2. Review the contents of the README file.
- 3. Make sure that *tet-root*/bin and *tet-root*/contrib/SHELL-API/bin are in your PATH.
- 4. Set your TET_ROOT environment variable to refer to *tet-root*, thus:

```
TET_ROOT=tet-root export TET_ROOT
```

5. Make sure that the commands in *tet-root*/contrib/SHELL-API/bin are executable, thus:

```
chmod a+x bin/buildtool bin/cleantool bin/install
```

6. Type the following command to install the suite:

```
./bin/install
```

7. Type the following command to build the suite:

```
tcc -p -b -a 'pwd'/ts_exec contrib/SHELL-API
```

8. Type the following command to execute the suite:

```
tcc -p -e -a 'pwd'/ts_exec contrib/SHELL-API
```

As the demonstration executes, it displays messages similar to the following:

```
tcc: journal file is tet-root/contrib/SHELL-API/results/0002e/journal
10:21:27    Execute /ts/chmod/chmod-tc on system 000
10:21:31    Execute /ts/uname/uname-tc on system 000
```

You can then look in *tet-root*/contrib/SHELL-API/results/0002e/journal to see the results of the demonstration.

4.7 The TCL API demonstration

This section describes how to run the TCL API demonstration TET test suite in *tet-root*/contrib/tcldemo.

To use this demonstration suite you will need to have installed the TCL API, which is included in the contrib distribution in *tet-root*/contrib/tclapi.

This test suite executes only on a single system and does not require remote systems to be set up.

This is a simple demonstration of how to use the TCL API. This version assumes that the tcl command is in /usr/local/bin/tcl. You can edit the source files in the tet-root/contrib/tcldemo/ts directory to change this if required.

Test 1 illustrates startup/cleanup with some simple PASS and FAIL results.

Test 2 is a very simple test case.

Test 3 generates in addition an INSPECT result.

The following instructions will cause the test suite to be built and executed:

1. To start, if you are not already there, change to the directory in which the demonstration test suite resides, thus:

```
cd tet-root/contrib/tcldemo
```

- 2. Review the contents of the README file.
- 3. Make sure that *tet-root*/bin is in your PATH.
- 4. Set your TET_ROOT environment variable to refer to *tet-root*, thus:

```
TET_ROOT=tet-root export TET_ROOT
```

5. Type the following command to run the demonstration:

```
tcc -p -bec contrib/tcldemo
```

6. By building and executing test 3 again as follows it is possible to change the behaviour:

```
tcc -p -be -v message="mymessage" -y test3 contrib/tcldemo
```

4.8 The Java API demonstration

This section describes how to run the Java API demonstration test suite in *tet-root/jdemo*. This test suite is only present in TETware distributions that include the Java API. The Java API is only supported on certain platforms; details of these platforms are presented in the TETware Release Notes. To use this demonstration suite you will need to have built the Java API, and have the Java Development Kit (JDK) installed on your machine.

The structure of this test suite is described in the chapter entitled "Writing a Java API-conforming test suite" in the TETware Programmers Guide.

This test suite executes only on a single system and does not require remote systems to be set up.

The following instructions will cause the test suite to be built, executed and cleaned:

1. To start, if you are not already there, change to the directory in which the demonstration test suite resides, thus:

```
cd tet-root/jdemo
```

- 2. Review the contents of the README file.
- 3. Make sure that *tet-root*/bin is in your PATH.
- 4. Set your TET_ROOT environment variable to refer to *tet-root*, thus:

```
TET_ROOT=tet-root export TET_ROOT
```

5. Check to see if the java and javac commands can be found in one of the locations in your PATH. For example:

```
type java javac
```

If the shell responds with a "command not found" message, you should perform **one** of the following actions:

- either append the name of the directory containing the java and javac commands to your PATH environment variable;
- **or** make the following configuration variable assignments:

```
TET_JAVAC_PATH=full-path-name-of-javac-command in the tetbuild.cfg file, and 
TET_JAVA_PATH=full-path-name-of-java-command in the tetexec.cfg file.
```

6. Type the following command to run the demonstration:

```
tcc -becp
```

As the demonstration executes, it displays messages similar to the following:

```
tcc: journal file is tet-root/jdemo/results/0001bec/journal
15:57:40 Build /ts/IntegerTC/IntegerTC on system 000
15:57:43 Execute /ts/IntegerTC/IntegerTC on system 000
15:57:44 Clean /ts/IntegerTC/IntegerTC on system 000
15:57:45 Build /ts/StackTC/StackTC on system 000
15:57:48 Execute /ts/StackTC/StackTC on system 000
15:57:49 Clean /ts/StackTC/StackTC on system 000
15:57:50 Build /ts/SystemTC/SystemTC on system 000
15:57:53 Execute /ts/SystemTC/SystemTC on system 000
15:57:55 Clean /ts/SystemTC/SystemTC on system 000
```

You can then look in *tet-root*/jdemo/results/0001bec/journal to see the results of the demonstration.

4.9 The Distributed C API demonstration

4.9.1 Introduction

The TETware distributed demonstration program is a simple test suite consisting of three distributed test cases that are built, executed and cleaned on each system participating in the test. You may run the demonstration program to verify that Distributed TETware has installed correctly.

This demonstration test suite has been designed to run on a pair of UNIX systems, a pair of Windows NT systems, or on one UNIX and one Windows NT system. When the demonstration is configured to run between a UNIX and a Windows NT system, you may configure either type of system to act as either master or slave.

The instructions presented here for building and installing the demonstration on a Windows NT system assume that you are using the same defined build environment that is used when TETware is built on such a system; that is: Microsoft Visual C++ and the MKS Toolkit. Since the demonstration has been designed for use in this environment on a Windows NT system, it is likely that you will have to make changes to the source code and/or the installation method in order to use a different environment. For further details of the defined build environment, refer to the section entitled "System requirements" in the TETware Installation Guide for the Windows NT and Windows 95 Operating Systems.

It will be seen that all the parameters whose values depend on the type of host operating system are specified either in the makefiles or in the configuration files which reside on each system. This demonstration provides an example of one way in which TETware features may be used in order to maintain maximum test case portability between the two types of operating system.

4.9.2 Installation

You must perform the following actions to install the demonstration program on each system:

- 1. Log on to the system that you want to use as the master system.
- 2. Copy the master part of the demonstration to tet-root/demo on the master system, thus:

```
cd tet-root/src/tet3/demo/master
find . -print | cpio -pdv tet-root/demo
```

- 3. Log on to the system that you want to use as the slave system.
- 4. Copy the slave part of the demonstration to the **test suite root** directory on the slave system, thus:

```
cd tet-root/src/tet3/demo/slave
find . -print | cpio -pdv tet-root/demo
```

4.9.3 Configuration

4.9.3.1 Introduction

Before you can run the demonstration programs, you must customise the systems file, as described earlier in this document, and also the distributed configuration file tetdist.cfg. In addition, if either part of the demonstration is running on a Windows NT system, you will need to customise the tetbuild.cfg and tetclean.cfg files on the master system and (optionally) the slave system.

In order to do this, you should log in to the master system and change directory to *tet-root*. Then, you should work through the instructions presented in the following subsections.

4.9.3.2 The systems file

The file *tet-root*/systems contains the mappings that assign system identifiers to host names. An example systems file is supplied with the demonstration in *tet-root*/src/tet3/demo/systems which contains lines similar to the following:

```
# Example system file for demonstration
000 master
001 slave
```

You should copy this file to *tet-root*/systems on the master system. Then, edit the copy, replacing master with the host name of the master system and slave with the host name of the slave system. You should ensure that these host names are in the host database on both the master and the slave system (often in the file /etc/hosts).

If you have built TETware on the master system to use the XTI network interface, you must add a third field to the entry for each system. This field should contain the XTI address string of the Test Case Controller daemon teed that is running on that system. The format of XTI address strings is described in the section entitled "System definitions" in the TETware Programmers Guide.

Once you have customised the systems file on the master system, you should copy it to the **tet root** directory on the slave system.

4.9.3.3 The tetdist.cfg file

The file *tet-root*/demo/tetdist.cfg contains variable assignments for slave systems that are equivalent to those on the master system that may be specified in environment variables. As supplied with the demonstration, this file contains lines similar to the following:

```
TET_REM001_TET_ROOT=/home/tet
TET_REM001_TET_TSROOT=${TET_ROOT}/demo

# The following variables are referenced only by XTI-based versions of
# TETware - you should not define them if you built TETware to use the
# socket network interface
#
# TET_XTI_TPI=/dev/tcp
# TET_XTI_MODE=tcp
# TET_LOCALHOST=01.02.03.04
```

If the **tet root** directory on the slave system is not /home/tet, you must change the first variable to refer to the **tet root** directory on the slave system.

The last three variables are only required if TETware on the master system has been built to use the XTI network interface. You must substitute values for these variables which are correct for your system. Note that the value that you specify for TET_LOCALHOST must be the machine's external IP address and not the address of the loopback interface. Do not specify a value for TET_LOCALHOST if you built TETware on the master system to use the socket network interface.

4.9.3.4 The tetbuild.cfg and tetclean.cfg files

As distributed these files contain values which are appropriate when you run the demonstration on two UNIX systems. In order to accommodate different file name suffixes, you must edit these files if you run either part of the demonstration on a Windows NT system. Details of the changes that you must make are presented in comments contained in these files on both the master and the slave system.

4.9.3.5 Makefiles

You must check the test case makefiles on each system to ensure that they will build the test cases correctly.

You may need to add the names of libraries to the SYSLIBS variable in order to resolve external function names used in the TETware Test Case Manager and API. For example, if you have built TETware to use the socket network interface, you may need to append <code>-lsocket</code> and <code>-lnsl</code> to this variable on some systems.

If you are running either part of the distributed demonstration on a Windows NT system, you will need to customise the file name suffix variables in the makefiles as well as the SYSLIBS variable. Details of the changes that you must make are presented in comments contained in the makefiles.

4.9.4 Running the distributed demonstration

Once you have installed and configured the distributed demonstration to run on your systems, you are ready to run the demonstration.

You should perform the following operations on the master system to run the demonstration program:

- 1. Log in to the master system and change directory to *tet-root*.
- 2. Make sure that the setting of your PATH environment variable includes tet-root/bin.
- 3. Set your TET_ROOT environment variable to refer to *tet-root*, thus:

```
TET_ROOT=tet-root
export TET_ROOT
```

4. Type the following command to run the demonstration program:

```
tcc -bec demo
```

When tcc starts, it will respond with a line similar to the following:

```
Journal file is: tet-root/demo/results/0001bec/journal
```

Then the demonstration test suite will be built, executed and cleaned up.

5. Once tcc has finished execution, you can examine the journal file and verify the results of the demonstration. Test cases 1 and 3 are expected to pass, test case 2 is expected to fail.

4.9.5 Problem diagnosis

If the demonstration did not run as expected, it is likely that one or more TETware components will have generated diagnostic messages describing what went wrong. You should check for diagnostic information in locations listed in the following table:

Location of diagnostic information	Source of diagnostic message
tcc's standard error stream (appears on the terminal unless redirected)	tcc tetsyncd tetxresd
Journal file (on the master system)	Test Case Managers on each system APIs on each system
tccd log file on each system (defaults to /tmp/tccdlog)	tccd Test Case Managers on each system APIs on each system

5. Using TETware

5.1 Introduction

This chapter describes how to use TETware. Before you can use TETware, you must install TETware on all the systems that you want to use to run local, remote or distributed tests, as described in the TETware Installation Guide.

5.2 TETware concepts

5.2.1 Introduction

This section describes some concepts employed in TETware.

5.2.2 TETware components

The components that make up TETware are described in the chapter entitled "TETware overview" elsewhere in this guide. You should read this chapter now if you have not already done so.

5.2.3 Modes of operation

The Test Case Controller (tcc) operates in one of several modes as follows:

build mode – in this mode, test cases are built

execute mode – in this mode, invocable components are executed

clean mode – in this mode, test cases are cleaned; i.e., the test case directory is

returned to the state that it was in before the test case was built

and/or executed

One or more modes of operation are specified by command-line options each time that tcc is invoked.

5.2.4 TETware-Lite

5.2.4.1 Local and remote systems

The Lite version of tcc is able to process non-distributed test cases on the local system. It cannot process distributed test cases or test cases on remote systems.

5.2.4.2 Test case types

TETware-Lite is able to process **local** test cases. It cannot process **remote** test cases or **distributed** test cases.

5.2.5 Distributed TETware

5.2.5.1 Local and remote systems

The distributed version of tcc is able to process non-distributed test cases on both the local system and on one or more remote systems. In addition, tcc is able to process distributed test cases where parts of each test case execute on the local (or **master**) system and/or on one or more remote (or **slave**) systems.

Distributed TETware systems are identified by a three-digit **system ID**. System ID zero refers to the local system and other system ID values refer to remote systems. In this context, the local system is defined as the one on which tcc is invoked.

Usually, different TETware systems are located on different physical machines. However, there is no reason why different system IDs should not refer to the same machine.

5.2.5.2 Test case types

Distributed TETware is able to process **local** test cases, **remote** test cases and **distributed** test cases. For a description of what is meant by these different test case types, refer to the chapter entitled "TETware overview" elsewhere in this guide.

5.2.6 TETware directory layout

The whole of TETware resides in a single directory hierarchy on each system that is to participate in local, remote or distributed testing. The top of this hierarchy is known as the **tet root** directory. Below **tet root** there are directories containing TETware executables and documentation.

In addition, directory hierarchies that contain the test suites that are to be used with TETware reside below a single directory per test suite. The top of each test suite directory hierarchy is known as the **test suite root** directory. By default, the test suite root directory resides below the **tet root** directory on each system.

By default, tcc looks for test cases below the test suite root directory. However, it is possible to specify an **alternate execution directory** or a runtime directory; if such a directory is specified, tcc looks for test cases below that directory instead.

It is possible to ask tcc to save files and/or directory subtrees that may be generated during test case processing. When files are saved in this way, they are copied to the **saved files directory**.

An example TETware directory hierarchy is presented in the appendix entitled "TETware directory structure" at the end of this guide.

5.2.7 Environment variables

The following environment variables are used to control the operation of tcc. These variables are used by both TETware-Lite and Distributed TETware. When Distributed TETware is used, these variables control the operation of tcc on the local system (that is: the system on which tcc is run). Configuration variables which perform similar functions for remote systems to those performed by the environment variables described here may be specified in the distributed configuration file tetdist.cfg. The meanings of these distributed configuration variables is described further in the section entitled "Configuration variables used for distributed testing" elsewhere in this chapter.

TET_ROOT	Specifies the location of the tet root directory. This environment variable must always be set when tcc is run.
TET_EXECUTE	If this variable is set, it specifies the location of the alternate execution directory.
TET_TMP_DIR	If this variable is set, it specifies the location of tcc's temporary directory.

TET_SUITE_ROOT If this variable is set, it specifies an alternate location below which the test suite root is located.

TET_RUN

If this variable is set, it specifies the location of a runtime directory. tcc copies the entire test suite directory hierarchy to a location below the runtime directory and processes the test suite in that location. This variable is useful when the test suite directory hierarchy resides on a read-only file system or NFS-mounted from a central server whose file system should not be modified by the system under test.

5.2.8 Configuration variables

You may specify sets of configuration variables for each of tcc's modes of operation. Each variable specification takes the following form:

variable=value

Some configuration variables alter the behaviour of TETware, whereas others are specific to the test suite being processed and may be accessed by test cases and by build and clean tools.

Configuration variables may be specified in configuration files or by means of a tcc commandline option. A configuration variable specified on the tcc command line takes precedence over a variable of the same name that is specified in a configuration file.

Configuration variables that alter the behaviour of TETware are described further in the section entitled "Configuration files" later in this chapter.

5.2.9 Test purpose results

Each non-distributed test purpose, and each part of a distributed test purpose, is expected to register exactly one test purpose result code. A **result code** is a numeric value whose meaning is defined in a result code table. Each result code has an **action** associated with it which indicates what action the Test Case Manager (TCM) should take when a test purpose reports that result code. Possible values for this action are Continue which means that the TCM should continue to process the next test purpose (if any), or Abort which indicates that the TCM should abort the current test case.

The following result codes are defined in TETware:

Result code	Meaning	Action
0	PASS	Continue
1	FAIL	Continue
2	UNRESOLVED	Continue
3	NOTINUSE	Continue
4	UNSUPPORTED	Continue
5	UNTESTED	Continue
6	UNINITIATED	Continue
7	NORESULT	Continue

A test suite may provide a results code file defining these and other testsuite-specific result codes. This file is described further in the section entitled "The results code file" later in this chapter.

5.3 TETware data files

5.3.1 Introduction

This section describes the formats and locations of data files used by TETware.

5.3.2 The scenario file

5.3.2.1 Description

The scenario file contains one or more test scenarios for a test suite. By default, the name of this file is tet_scen and is located in the test suite root directory on the local system. (However, a different scenario file name may be specified by means of a tcc command-line option; for details, refer to the tcc manual page at the end of this guide.)

A scenario file should contain (at least) a scenario named all; by convention, this causes all the test cases in the test suite to be processed.

Each entry in a scenario file starts with the **scenario name** and contains one or more **scenario directives** and **scenario elements**. Each scenario name in the file starts at column 1 and lines containing scenario directives and elements have a blank in column 1. Blank lines and lines beginning with # are ignored.

Simple descriptions of these directives and elements are presented in the following sections, together with some examples. A more complete description of the format of the scenario file and some more comprehensive examples are presented in the chapter entitled "The scenario file" in the TETware Programmers Guide.

5.3.2.2 Scenario directives

Directives have **scope** within the scenario. Each directive affects the way in which tcc processes other directives and elements which appear within the scope of that directive. Note that some directives may not appear within the scope of other directives.

These directives may appear in scenario files and are processed by tcc as follows:

```
:include:/file-name
```

The test cases listed (one per line) in the named file are interpolated in the scenario at the point where this directive appears.

```
:parallel[,count]:/file-name
```

The test cases listed (one per line) in the named file are processed in parallel. If the optional *count* argument is specified, *count* copies of each test case listed in the file are processed in parallel.

```
:parallel[,count]:
/test-case-name
...
:endparallel:
    The named test-cases are processed in parallel.
```

The precise behaviour of the :parallel: directive may be affected by the value of the TET_COMPAT configuration variable. Details of the way in which this directive behaves are presented in the chapter entitled "The scenario file" in the TETware Programmers Guide.

:repeat,count:/file-name

In build and clean modes, the test cases listed (one per line) in the named file are processed once in sequence. In execute mode, the test cases listed in the named file are executed sequentially *count* times.

```
:repeat,count:
/test-case-name
...
:endrepeat:
```

In build and clean modes, the named *test-cases* are processed once in sequence. In execute mode, the named *test-cases* are executed sequentially *count* times.

:timed_loop,seconds:/file-name

In build and clean modes, the test cases listed (one per line) in the named file are processed once in sequence. In execute mode, the test cases listed in the named file are executed sequentially until the specified number of *seconds* has expired.

```
:timed_loop,seconds:
/test-case-name
...
:endtimed_loop:
```

In build and clean modes, the named test cases are processed once in sequence. In execute mode, the named test cases are executed sequentially until the specified number of *seconds* has expired.

:random:/file-name

The behaviour of this directive depends on the selected modes of operation and on whether or not it appears within the scope of a looping directive.

When execute mode is selected:

- If this directive appears within the scope of at least one looping directive:
 - If build mode is selected, each of the test cases listed (one per line) in the named file are built once in sequence.
 - For each iteration of each of the enclosing looping directives, one of the test cases listed in the named file is selected at random and executed.
 - If clean mode is selected, each of the test cases listed in the named file are cleaned once in sequence.

— Otherwise:

• One of the test cases listed in the named file is selected at random and processed according to the selected modes of operation.

When execute mode is not selected:

— Each of the test cases listed in the named file are processed once in sequence according to the selected modes of operation.

```
:random:
/test-case-name
:endrandom:
```

The named test cases are processed in the same way as that described above for the first format of the :random: directive.

These directives are only supported by the Distributed version of tcc and are processed as follows:

```
:remote, nnn,[,nnn,...]:/file-name
```

Each test case listed (one per line) in the named file is processed in sequence. As each test case is processed this processing takes place on all of the systems nnn₁, nnn₂ etc. at once.

```
:remote, nnn_1[,nnn_2...]:
/test-case-name
:endremote:
```

Each named test case is processed in sequence. As each test case is processed this processing takes place on all of the systems nnn₁, nnn₂ etc. at once.

If the list of systems specified with a :remote: directive includes system ID zero, then the named test cases are processed as distributed test cases; otherwise, test cases are processed as (non-distributed) remote test cases.

```
:distributed, nnn,[,nnn,,...]:/file-name
```

Each test case listed (one per line) in the named file is processed in sequence. As each test case is processed this processing takes place on all of the systems nn_1 , nnn_2 etc. at once.

```
:distributed, nnn_1[,nnn_2,...]:
/test-case-name
:enddistributed:
```

Each named test case is processed in sequence. As each test case is processed this processing takes place on all of the systems nnn, nnn, etc. at once.

Test cases within the scope of a :distributed: directive are always processed as **distributed** test cases irrespective of whether system ID zero is specified in the list of systems.

Directives may be combined by the ; operator. When directives are combined in this way, the scope of each directive is the same as if each directive had been specified separately but the syntax used is the same as that which may be used for a single directive, as follows:

```
: directive,[; directive,...]: /file-name
```

The test cases listed (one per line) in the named file are processed within the scope of directive, directive, etc.

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```
:directive<sub>1</sub>[; directive<sub>2</sub>...]:
/test-case-name
...
:[...enddirective<sub>2</sub>;]enddirective<sub>1</sub>;
```

The named test cases are processed within the scope of $directive_1$, $directive_2$ etc. Note that when the i operator is used in this type of construct, $end directive_1$, $end directive_2$ etc. must appear in reverse order so that each one matches its corresponding $directive_1$, $directive_2$ etc.

Where a file name name is associated with a scenario directive, this name is interpreted relative to the test suite root directory.

5.3.2.3 Scenario elements

The following elements may appear in scenario files and are processed by tcc as follows:

"text"

text is printed to the journal file as a scenario information line.

^scenario-name

The directives and elements which comprise the named scenario are interpolated at the point where this element appears. A *`scenario-name* may appear in a scenario in any place that a */test-case-name* or a */file-name* may appear.

/test-case-name

The named test case is processed according to each of tcc's selected modes of operation.

: directive : @ / test-case-name

The @/test-case-name element may be used in place of a /file-name which is **attached** to a directive⁷. The single named test case is processed within the scope of the associated directive without the need for a matching :enddirective: to be specified.

5.3.2.4 Test case names

Test case names are interpreted by tcc on each system as follows:

- In build or clean mode, test case names are interpreted relative to the test suite root directory.
- In execute mode, test case names are interpreted relative to the alternate execution directory if one has been specified, otherwise they are interpreted relative to the test suite root directory.

A test case name may be followed by a list of invocable component numbers enclosed in braces. If this is done, only the invocable components specified in the list are executed in execute mode. A list of invocable components consists of one or more comma-separated numbers or ranges of numbers. A range of numbers consists of two numbers separated by a – character.

^{7.} That is: not separated from the directive by white space.

For example, the following line specifies invocable components 1, 3, and 5 through 8 for the named test case:

```
/tset/tc1{1,3,5-8}
```

5.3.2.5 Simple scenario examples

This section presents some simple test scenario examples. The first two examples may be processed either by TETware-Lite or by Distributed TETware.

In the following example, the three test cases are processed sequentially on the local system:

```
all /tset/tc1 /tset/tc2 /tset/tc3
```

In the following example, the three test cases are processed concurrently on the local system:

Since the next two examples specify the processing of remote and distributed test cases, they can only be processed by Distributed TETware and not by TETware-Lite.

In the following example, instances of each test case are processed concurrently on two remote systems:

```
all
    :remote,001,002:
    /tset/tc1
    /tset/tc2
    /tset/tc3
    :endremote:
```

In the following example, four distributed test cases are processed sequentially. Parts of each test case are executed concurrently on the local system and on two remote systems.

```
all
    :remote,000,001,002:
    /tset/dtc1
    /tset/dtc2
    /tset/dtc3
    /tset/dtc4
    :endremote:
```

5.3.3 Configuration files

5.3.3.1 Introduction

The configuration files hold configuration variable assignments for each of tcc's modes of operation. In addition, configuration files may hold configuration variable assignments for use by test cases and by build and clean tools.

5.3.3.2 Configuration file format

Each line in a configuration file specifies a configuration variable assignment in the following format:

variable =value

Lines beginning with # and blank lines are ignored.

5.3.3.3 Configuration file names

By default, configuration files for each test suite are located in the test suite root directory on each system. However, if an alternate execution directory is specified on the local system, the execute mode configuration file may be located there instead if so desired. The name of the build mode configuration file is tetbuild.cfg, that of the execute mode configuration file is tetezea.cfg and that of the clean mode configuration file is tetzlean.cfg.

The names of these files on the local system may be overridden by tcc command-line options if desired; for details, refer to the tcc manual page at the end of this guide.

5.3.3.4 Setting configuration variables on local and remote systems when using Distributed TETware

This subsection describes the interaction between variables that are specified in configuration files on local and remote systems when Distributed TETware is used. The capabilities described here are not available when TETware-Lite is used.

Configuration variables may be specified both on the local system and on any remote systems that are to participate in remote or distributed testing. In this context, the **local** system is the system on which tee is run (whether or not any test cases run on this system), and **remote** systems are other systems on which test cases or test case parts are run. When reading the discussion that follows, you should bear in mind that the local system always has a system ID of zero; other system IDs always refer to remote systems.

Configuration variable assignments made on the local system are propagated to each of the remote systems; however, configuration variable assignments made on a remote system normally have precedence over those that are propagated from the local system.

For example, if the following assignment is made on the local system:

```
TET_BUILD_TOOL=make
```

then, the value of TET_BUILD_TOOL will be set to make on the local system and on all the remote systems.

If the following assignment is made on one of the remote systems:

TET_BUILD_TOOL=augmake

then the value of TET_BUILD_TOOL is changed to augmake only on that remote system, and remains unchanged on all of the other systems.

It is possible to direct a variable assignment made on the local system to a particular system by prefixing its name with TET_REMnnn_ where nnn is the ID of the system that is to receive the variable.

So, if the following assignments are made on the local system:

```
TET_BUILD_TOOL=make
TET_REM002_TET_BUILD_TOOL=augmake
```

then the value of TET_BUILD_TOOL on remote system 002 is set to augmake and the value of TET_BUILD_TOOL on the local system and all the other remote systems is set to make.

Furthermore, the value of a TET_REMnnn_ variable assignment made on the local system overrides any assignment to the corresponding variable that may be made on system nnn. So, in this case, the value of TET_BUILD_TOOL on remote system 002 is set to augmake irrespective of any assignment that might be made on that remote system.

Finally, if the following assignments are made on the local system:

```
TET_BUILD_TOOL=augmake
TET_REM000_TET_BUILD_TOOL=make
```

then the value of TET_BUILD_TOOL on the local system will be set to make and the value of TET_BUILD_TOOL on all the remote systems will be set to augmake (provided that no assignment for TET_BUILD_TOOL is made on any of the remote systems).

5.3.3.5 Configuration variables used by TETware

This section describes some of the configuration variables that affect tcc's operation. The list presented here only includes those variables that it might be sensible for a TETware user to change. Other TETware configuration variables and testsuite-specific variables may be specified by the test suite author. Refer to the TETware Programmers Guide for a complete list of configuration variables and their meanings.

Except where noted, variables affect the operation of both the Distributed TETware and TETware-Lite versions of tcc.

When Distributed TETware is used, each of the operation mode-specific sets of configuration variables that are specified without the TET_REMnnn_ prefix on the local system is known as the **master configuration** for the related mode. Variables in the master configuration for each mode are merged with system-specific configuration variables to form the **per-system configuration** for that mode. The master configuration variables affect the way that tcc processes test cases on all participating systems, whereas the per-system configuration variables affect the way that tcc processes test cases on each system individually.

Some of the variables described below are read from the master configuration and so affect tcc's operation on each system in the same way, whereas others are read from the per-system configurations and so can affect tcc's operation differently on different systems. The scope of

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^{8.} That is: variables specified on remote systems, or specified on the local system with a TET_REMnnn_ prefix.

each variable described here is indicated at the end of the variable's description. Variables noted as being read from the master configuration will be ignored if constrained to a particular system by use of a TET_REMnnn_ prefix or by being specified in a configuration file on a remote system.

TET_EXEC_IN_PLACE

Possible values: True or False; default: False.

Specifies whether or not tcc should execute test cases "in place". If false, tcc copies test case files to a temporary directory before executing them. The setting of this variable is only meaningful in execute mode. In Distributed TETware the value of this variable is read from the master configuration.

TET_OUTPUT_CAPTURE

Possible values: True or False; default: False.

Specifies whether or not tcc should capture standard output and standard error output from test cases and record it in the journal. For historical reasons the value of this variable also provides default values for the TET_API_COMPLIANT and TET_PASS_TC_NAME configuration variables. In Distributed TETware the value of this variable is read from the master configuration.

TET_API_COMPLIANT

Possible values: True or False;

default: inverse of the value of TET_OUTPUT_CAPTURE.

Specifies whether or not test cases and tools use a TETware API. If true, test cases and tools are expected use the API to print diagnostics and register results. If false, tcc treats the test case or tool as if it consists of a single invocable component containing a single test purpose. tcc prints the messages to the journal file that would be printed by an API-conforming test case and generates a test purpose result based on the test case's exit status (zero = PASS, non-zero = FAIL). In Distributed TETware the value of this variable is read from the master configuration.

TET_PASS_TC_NAME

Possible values: True or False;

default: the value of TET OUTPUT CAPTURE.

If true, tcc passes the name of the test case to be processed on the command-line when executing a build or clean tool. If false, tcc does not pass a test case name to a build or clean tool. Note that tcc always passes a test case name to a prebuild, buildfail or exec tool. In Distributed TETware the value of this variable is read from the per-system configuration.

TET SAVE FILES

This variable specifies a (comma separated) list of file names. If, after tcc executes a test case, a file matching one of these names is found below the execution directory hierarchy, that file is transferred to the saved file directory tree on the same system. If a directory is found that matches one of the names, then its contents are transferred recursively. Shell file name matching syntax may be used in the list of file names.

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In Distributed TETware the value of this variable is read from the per-system configuration.

TET_TRANSFER_SAVE_FILES Possible values: True or False; default: False.

If true, files processed on a remote system in accordance with the description of TET_SAVE_FILES above are transferred to the saved file directory on the local system instead of being saved on that remote system. The value of this variable has no effect in TETware-Lite. In Distributed TETware the value of this variable is read from the per-system configuration.

5.3.3.6 Example configuration file

Here is an example of a simple build mode configuration file for a test suite that uses make as its build tool:

```
# example build mode configuration file
TET_BUILD_TOOL=make
TET BUILD FILE=-f makefile
TET_OUTPUT_CAPTURE=True
```

5.3.3.7 Distributed configuration file

When Distributed TETware is used, the file tetdist.cfg in the test suite root directory on the local system holds configuration variables used for remote and distributed testing. This file is not used by TETware-Lite.

Distributed configuration variables are used to specify parameters for remote systems that are equivalent to those parameters on the local system that tcc obtains from environment variables or deduces from its current working directory. In addition, the distributed configuration file may include variable assignments relating to the TETware network interface.

These variables are not accessible by test cases or tools using API configuration variable lookup functions.

5.3.3.8 Configuration variables used for distributed testing

The following configuration variables are used by the Distributed version of tcc when processing test cases on remote systems. In each case, nnn is the number of the system to which the variable relates.

These variables are specified in the distributed configuration file tetdist.cfg on the local system. The distributed configuration file and the variables described here are not used by TETware-Lite.

TET_REMnnn_TET_ROOT

The values of these variables specify the locations of **tet root** directories on remote systems. One of these variable assignments must be made for each remote system that may participate in remote or distributed testing. The values of these variables are passed to test cases and tools in the environment as communication variables on each system.

TET_REMnnn_TET_TSROOT

The values of these variables specify the locations of test suite root directories on remote systems. One of these variable assignments must be made for each remote system that may participate in remote or distributed testing.

TET_REMnnn_TET_SUITE_ROOT

These variables are not used by TETware but, when specified, are passed to test cases and tools in the environment as communication variables on each system. This is done in order to enable existing ETET test cases which rely on the presence of a TET_SUITE_ROOT environment variable to be processed on a remote system by Distributed TETware.

TET REMnnn TET EXECUTE

The values of these variables specify the locations of alternate execution directories on remote systems. The use of these variables is optional but, if they appear, they perform the equivalent functions on remote systems to that performed by the value of the TET_EXECUTE environment variable on the local system (refer to the section entitled "Environment variables" earlier in this chapter). The values of these variables are passed to test cases and tools in the environment as communication variables on each system.

TET_REMnnn_TET_RUN

The values of these variables specify the locations of runtime directories on remote systems. The use of these variables is optional but, if they appear, they perform the equivalent functions on remote systems to that performed by the value of the TET_RUN environment variable on the local system (refer to the section entitled "Environment variables" earlier in this chapter). The values of these variables are passed to test cases and tools in the environment as communication variables on each system.

TET_REMnnn_TET_TMP_DIR

The values of these variables specify the locations of temporary directories on remote systems which are used instead of the default location when TET_EXEC_IN_PLACE is false. The use of these variables is optional but, if they appear, they perform the equivalent functions on remote systems to that performed by the value of the TET_TMP_DIR environment variable on the local system (refer to the section entitled "Environment variables" earlier in this chapter).

In addition, the following distributed configuration variables may be specified when the XTI network interface is used:

TET_XTI_TPI

The name of the XTI transport provider identifier on the local system. If this variable is not specified, its value defaults to /dev/tcp.

TET_XTI_MODE Possible values: TCP (to indicate TCP/IP) or OSICO (to

indicate OSI connection-oriented transport).

The value of this variable indicates the underlying transport provider to be used. This variable must always be specified

when the XTI network interface is used.

TET_LOCALHOST This variable must be specified when the XTI network

interface is used and the underlying transport provider is TCP/IP. The value of this variable should be the Internet address of the local system. This address is presented in dot notation and must be an address that can be used to access the local system from remote systems (i.e., it should not be the address of the loopback interface). All four fields in the

address must be specified.

5.3.3.9 Example distributed configuration file

Here is an example distributed configuration file for a distributed test suite whose parts run on the local system and two remote systems:

```
# example distributed configuration file

TET_REM001_TET_ROOT=/user1/tet

TET_REM001_TET_TSROOT=/user1/tet/testsuite
```

TET_REM002_TET_ROOT=/user6/project/tet3
TET REM002_TET_TSROOT=/user6/project/tet3/testsuite

5.3.4 The results code file

When a TETware program needs to interpret a test purpose result, it does so by referring to a table of results codes. Initially, this table contains a list of code values which have standard meanings which may (optionally) be augmented by lists contained in files provided by the test suite author. Files provided in this way may reside in both the **tet root** directory and the **test suite root** directory. Typically the file at the **tet root** level might contain codes for use by all test suites whereas the file at the **test suite root** level might contain codes for use with an individual test suite.

The default name for the file at each level is tet_code but this name may be changed by means of the TET_RESCODES_FILE configuration variable⁹. In Distributed TETware any results code files should only be provided on the local system.

Each line in a results code file consists of (blank-separated) fields as follows:

Result code value Result name Action indicator

^{9.} Note that although this variable is specified in configuration files which are per operation mode, the variable itself is interpreted per tcc invocation and not per operation mode. Therefore it is an error for this variable to be specified with different values in different mode-specific configuration files which are read by a particular tcc invocation.

The result code value is a positive number between 0 and 127. Values between 0 and 31 are reserved for use by TETware. The result name is a text string enclosed between double quotes and indicates the name of the result. The text string may contain embedded blanks. The action indicator informs the TCM what to do when a test purpose returns the corresponding result and should be one of Continue to cause the TCM to continue processing the next test purpose, or Abort to cause the TCM to abandon processing the test case.

Blank lines and lines beginning with # are ignored.

Here is an example of a result code file:

```
# example result code file
# first, the standard codes required by TETware
0
       "PASS"
                      Continue
1
       "FAIL"
                       Continue
2
       "UNRESOLVED"
                     Continue
3
       "NOTINUSE"
                      Continue
4
        "UNSUPPORTED"
                       Continue
5
                      Continue
       "UNTESTED"
       "UNINITIATED" Continue
7
       "NORESULT"
                  Continue
# then, the codes specific to this test suite
32
       "INSPECT"
                  Continue
33
       "STOP RUN"
                       Abort
```

When tcc starts up, its internal table contains entries for only the standard result codes. Then, if a file is provided at the **tet root** level, entries in that file are added to the table. Finally, if a file is provided at the **test suite root** level, entries in that file are added to the table. Thus, entries in the file at the **test suite root** level have precedence over entries in the file at the **tet root** level and entries in both files have precedence over the default entries which initially populate the internal table. Therefore, it is an error for either of the optional results code files to contain entries for one of the standard result codes with an incorrect result name.

5.3.5 The journal file

At the start of each test run, tcc creates a directory in the *test-suite-root*/results directory on the local system, whose name consists of an ascending sequence number followed by one or more of b, e and c, indicating which operation mode(s) was being used by tcc. By default, the journal for the test run is placed in a file called journal in this directory.

For example, if the 5th tcc run was in build and execute mode, the name of the default journal file would be

```
tet-root/results/0005be/journal
```

However, a different journal file name may be specified by means of a tcc command-line option; for details, refer to the tcc manual page at the end of this guide.

Each line in the journal file consists of three fields separated by | characters. The first field contains a number which indicates the type of the journal line. The second field contains information depending on the type of the journal line. The third field generally contains some kind of message text. Descriptions of journal lines are presented in the appendix entitled "TETware journal lines" at the end of this guide.

5.3.6 The systems and systems.equiv files

These files are only used by Distributed TETware processes. The are not used by TETware-Lite.

The systems file resides in the **tet root** directory on each system and is used by Distributed TETware processes to map TETware system IDs to some information (such as a host name) that can be used by the network interface to identify a machine. The format of the systems file varies according to which network interface is used by TETware.

The systems.equiv file resides in the tccd user's home directory on each system (usually that of the user tet on a UNIX system). This file may be used by tccd to determine whether or not to accept a request from a remote system. Note that not all TETware network interfaces make use of this file.

Example systems and systems.equiv files are included in the TETware distribution. Refer to the manual pages at the end of this guide for details of the formats of these files.

5.4 Network security considerations for Distributed TETware

This section describes issues for consideration by users and system administrators when using Distributed TETware.

Since Distributed TETware is intended for use in a testing environment which is not accessible from an external network, network security issues are not really addressed by Distributed TETware.

tccd offers services to any network entity that connects to its well-known port and can satisfy its logon criteria. Some of the services offered by tccd may present a potential security hazard; in particular, the ability to execute other processes. When tccd is built to use the socket network interface, users can exercise some control over login requests from another machine by means of entries in the systems.equiv file. However, when tccd is built to use the XTI network interface, users cannot control whether or not tccd accepts logon requests from other machines.

tetsyncd and tetxresd both offer services to other processes without any authentication, apart from the server logon procedure which does not perform host name checking. However, they do not use well-known ports and so are protected to some extent by "security through obscurity".

As a result of all this:

Users are strongly advised against running Distributed TETware on machines that can be accessed from an external network, unless they are satisfied that adequate measures are in place to prevent unauthorised access to networks that serve those machines.

6. TETware programs

6.1 Introduction

This chapter describes the function and use of TETware programs. Sections which describe the Test Case Controller and Test Case Manager are applicable to both TETware-Lite and Distributed TETware, whereas sections which describe server (or daemon) processes are applicable only to Distributed TETware.

6.2 The Test Case Controller tcc

6.2.1 Description

The Test Case Controller (tcc) undertakes test suite scenario processing. tcc processes test cases in accordance with one or more modes of operation, as described in the section entitled "Modes of operation" earlier in this chapter. The default behaviour of tcc can be modified by many command-line options, details of which are presented in a manual page at the end of this guide.

Although the user interface to tcc is the same in both Distributed TETware and TETware-Lite, the operation of tcc is quite different in the two TETware versions. In TETware-Lite there is only one system (the local system) and tcc itself performs all the actions required to process test cases. However, in Distributed TETware there may be more than one system (local and/or remote) and tcc does not perform the actions required to process test cases itself. Instead, it sends requests to server processes which perform each required action on the appropriate system. Note that the distributed version of tcc always runs on the local system; indeed, in TETware terminology the local system is defined as the system on which tcc runs.

6.2.2 Required environment variables

Before you invoke tcc, you must ensure that the value of your TET_ROOT environment variable points to the **tet root** directory on the local system.

6.2.3 Normal scenario processing

6.2.3.1 Description

When tcc is invoked, it processes each test case in the specified scenario. (If no scenario is specified, then tcc processes each test case in the scenario named all). Test case processing is performed for each operational mode currently in force. For example, if tcc is invoked in **build** mode, each test case in the scenario is built or, if tcc is invoked in **build** and **execute** mode, then each test case in the scenario is first built and then executed.

6.2.3.2 Examples

Here are some simple examples of how to use tcc to perform normal scenario processing:

1. To build all test cases in a test suite called mytestsuite:

tcc -b mytestsuite

or

```
cd tet-root/mytestsuite
tcc -b
```

The journal is placed in *tet-root*/mytestsuite/results/nnnnb/journal.

2. To build, execute and clean all test cases in a test suite called mytestsuite:

```
tcc -bec mytestsuite
or
   cd tet-root/mytestsuite
   tcc -bec
```

The journal is placed in tet-root/mytestsuite/results/nnnnbec/journal.

3. To execute test cases in a test suite called mytestsuite that are listed in a scenario called myscenario in the default scenario file:

```
tcc -e mytestsuite myscenario
```

The journal is placed in *tet-root*/mytestsuite/results/nnnne/journal.

4. To build and execute test cases in a test suite called mytestsuite that are listed in the default scenario in a file called myscenfile in the current directory, place the journal in a file called myjournal in the current directory and print a trace of test case building and execution:

```
tcc -be -p -s myscenfile -j myjournal mytestsuite
```

6.2.4 Rerun and Resume processing

6.2.4.1 Description

In addition to the normal scenario processing described above, tcc can re-run or resume processing of a previous test run. When you invoke tcc in **rerun** or **resume** mode, you specify the name of the scenario and the journal file from the previous run, and a list of test purpose result code names or tcc operation modes. Needless to say, the scenario that you specify must be the same as the one that was used to generate the old journal file. (If the scenario name is not specified explicitly, tcc re-processes the scenario named all).

When you run tcc in **rerun** mode, tcc re-processes test cases in the scenario whose results in the old journal file match one of those specified in the result code list. When you run tcc in **resume** mode, tcc re-processes all test cases in the scenario starting from the first test case whose result in the old journal file matches one of those specified in the result code list.

The result code list may consist of one of the following:

- i. A (comma separated) list of result code names.
- ii. A (comma separated) list containing one or more of the letters b, e and c, representing build mode, execute mode and clean mode, respectively, in the previous run.

If the list contains result code names, then test purposes which report one of these results are matched. If the list contains tcc operating modes, then test purposes which did not report PASS in the named operating mode(s) are matched.

When performing **rerun** and **resume** processing in build and clean modes, tcc performs processing at the test case level in build and clean mode, and at the invocable component level in

execute mode.

When you run tcc in **rerun** mode, the old journal file may either be the result of a normal test run or of a previous rerun. It is not necessary for the selected modes of operation to be the same as those specified for the previous run. However, you should avoid specifying impossible operation mode combinations. For example, if you perform a test run which includes clean mode and then attempt to rerun without specifying build mode or rebuilding the test cases to be rerun in some other way, attempts to re-execute selected test cases are bound to fail.

When you run tcc in **resume** mode, the old journal file must be the result of a normal test run. You cannot resume using an old journal file which is the result of a previous **resume** run. In addition it is necessary for the selected modes of operation to be the same as those specified for the test run that generated the old journal file.

6.2.4.2 Examples

Here are some simple examples of how to use tcc to perform **rerun** and **resume** processing:

1. To re-build all test cases in the test suite named mytestsuite that previously failed to build in the run whose journal file was named oldjournal:

```
tcc -b -r b oldjournal mytestsuite
```

2. To resume building of the first test case and execution from the first invocable component in the test suite named mytestsuite which reported FAIL or UNRESOLVED in the journal file named oldjournal:

```
tcc -be -m FAIL, UNRESOLVED oldjournal mytestsuite
```

6.2.5 Test case locking

When tcc processes a test case, it prevents possible interference from other instances of tcc by acquiring one or more exclusive or shared locks. These locks are acquired in the test case source directory and (optionally) in the test case execution directory.

An exclusive lock is acquired by creating a file called tet_lock in the directory that is to be locked. A shared lock is acquired by creating a file with a unique name below a directory called tet_lock in the directory that is to be locked, creating the tet_lock directory if necessary as well. A diagnostic is printed to the journal file if tcc is unable to acquire the locks that it needs.

Although each instance of tcc is always careful to remove the locks that it created when they are no longer required, it is possible that old locks might remain after some system or process malfunction. In the event of this happening it is necessary to remove the old locks by hand.

6.2.6 Saved files processing

As indicated earlier in the section entitled "Configuration variables used by TETware", tcc can be instructed to save certain files and/or directories that may be created during test case execution. This action is controlled by the value of the configuration variable TET_SAVE_FILES and (when Distributed TETware is used) by the value of TET_TRANSFER_SAVE_FILES.

If TET_TRANSFER_SAVE_FILES is false when Distributed TETware is used, files are saved on the system on which they were created (be it local or remote). However, if TET_TRANSFER_SAVE_FILES is true, files that are to be saved are transferred from remote systems to the local system and saved there. The setting of TET_TRANSFER_SAVE_FILES

has no effect when TETware-Lite is used.

When files are to be saved without transfer on a particular system, tcc creates a **saved files directory** in the *test-suite-root*/results directory on that system, whose name consists of an ascending sequence number followed by one or more of b, e and c, indicating which operation mode(s) was being used by tcc, thus:¹⁰

test-suite-root/results/nnnn[bec]

However, when files are to be transferred and saved on the local system by Distributed TETware, tcc instead creates additional directories named REMOTE*nnn* below this directory on the local system, where *nnn* indicates the system ID (either local or remote) from which the files are to be transferred, thus:

test-suite-root/results/nnnn[bec]/REMOTEnnn

Each directory thus created becomes the top of the saved files directory hierarchy for its respective system.

The variable TET_SAVE_FILES may be set to a (comma-separated) list of file names. If, after tcc executes a test case, a file matching one of these names is found below the execution directory hierarchy, that file is transferred to the saved file directory hierarchy. Directories are created as required below the saved files directory so that, after each file has been saved, the saved file's path name below the top of the saved files directory hierarchy is the same as the portion of the file's path name below the test case's execution directory.

If a directory is found that matches one of the names, then its contents are transferred recursively.

When Distributed TETware is used, the processing described above is undertaken on each system for which a TET_SAVE_FILES variable has been specified.

6.2.7 Test session interruption

You can send certain keyboard-generated signals to tcc in order to cause it to interrupt the processing of an individual test case or of an entire test run.

When tcc receives a SIGINT signal, it aborts processing of the current test case. On a UNIX system this signal can usually be generated by typing a control-C or DEL character on the terminal where tcc is running. On a Win32 system this signal is always generated by typing control-C.

When tcc receives a SIGQUIT signal (on a UNIX system) or a SIGBREAK signal (on a Win32 system), it aborts processing of the entire test run. On a UNIX system this signal can usually be generated by typing a control-\ character on the terminal where tcc is running. On a Win32 system this signal is always generated by typing control-BREAK.

Users should be aware that the act of interrupting a test case can take some time to complete, particularly when the test case itself does not immediately respond to the termination signal sent by tcc or if there is a substantial amount of journal file or saved files processing to perform when the test case terminates.

^{10.} This is the same directory name as that used for the directory on the local system in which the journal file is placed.

In addition, users should be aware that the use of test session interruption facilities on a Win32 system can have an adverse effect on the subsequent operation of the system. Refer to the appendix entitled "Implementation notes for TETware on Win32 systems" towards the end of this guide for further details.

6.3 The Test Case Controller daemon tccd

6.3.1 Description

The Test Case Controller daemon (tccd) is a server that performs functions on behalf of the Test Case Controller when Distributed TETware is used. As with all subsections describing Distributed TETware servers, this subsection is not applicable to TETware-Lite.

tccd must be started on each system (both local and remote) on which test cases are to be processed, before tcc is invoked on the local system.

When you install Distributed TETware on a UNIX system, it is recommended that you should ask your system administrator to arrange for tccd to be started automatically as part of each machine's startup procedure. When you install Distributed TETware on a Windows NT system, you must arrange to start tccd yourself by running the tccd bootstrap program tccdstart. Details of how to start tccd are presented in the section entitled "Starting tccd" in the TETware Installation Guide for each type of operating system.

A manual page describing the various tccd command-line options is presented at the end of this guide.

6.3.2 tccd versions and modes of operation

On a UNIX system it is possible to build several versions of tccd from the source code; the version that is built is determined by a decision that must be made at compile time. Two of the versions of tccd are known as the **rc** version and the **inittab** version. The **rc** version is intended to be started by an entry in one of the /etc/rc system startup scripts, and the **inittab** version is intended to be started by an entry in the file /etc/inittab. The only difference between these two versions is that the **rc** version puts itself in the background when invoked, and the **inittab** version does not.

A third version of the Test Case Controller daemon may be built on systems that use the socket network interface, which is suitable for use in conjunction with the inetd super-server which runs on many UNIX systems. This version is known as the **inetd** version and is named in.tccd in accordance with established conventions.

The **rc** and **inittab** versions of tccd listen for requests from client processes, much like other network service daemons. When a request is received, tccd forks off a child copy of itself to service the client's requests and continues to listen for requests as before. The child tccd processes requests from the client and terminates automatically when it is no longer required.

The **inetd** version, in.tccd, operates slightly differently. inetd listens for client requests on behalf of all the servers that it knows about. When inetd receives a request on the well-known **tcc** port, inetd forks off a copy of itself which immediately executes in.tccd. in.tccd then processes requests from the client and terminates automatically when it is no longer required. A consequence of this is that there is no in.tccd permanently running on a UNIX system; an instance of in.tccd is only invoked when actually requested from another system.

It is only possible to build a single version of tccd on a Windows NT system. Of the three versions of tccd that may be run on a UNIX system, the version of tccd that runs on a Windows NT system most closely resembles the **inetd** version of tccd described previously. On a Windows NT system, tccd is started on demand by a bootstrap program called tccdstart which performs a function similar to that performed by inetd on a UNIX system.

A consequence of the way in which tccd operates is that a machine running tccd can service requests from more than one client once, since each client obtains its own copy of tccd to use.

Since the different versions of the Test Case Controller daemon only differ in their operation on startup, references to tccd in the rest of this section and throughout this guide may be taken to apply equally to all versions of tccd unless explicitly stated to the contrary.

6.3.3 tccd user and group ID

By default, when tccd is executed on a UNIX system, it attempts to change its user and group IDs to those specified for the user tet in the system password database. Failure to change the user or group ID is treated as fatal if tccd is invoked initially with administrative privilege (i.e., with a user or group ID of less than 100). tccd then changes directory to the home directory of the user tet and sets its HOME environment variable to refer to that directory.

A different user name may be specified if tccd is invoked with the -u command-line option. If tccd is invoked in this way, it performs all of these operations using the specified user name instead of the user tet.

When tccd is executed on a Windows NT system, it does not attempt to change its user ID but instead runs with the ID of the user who starts it. In addition, if the HOME environment variable is not defined, tccd sets it to the name of the directory in which tccd is invoked.

6.3.4 tccd log file

When tccd is executed, it connects its standard output and standard error streams to the file /tmp/tccdlog on a UNIX system or to c:/tmp/tccdlog on a Windows NT system. In addition, tccd connects its standard input to /dev/null on a UNIX system or to nul on a Windows NT system. If a different log file is specified by the -l command-line option, tccd reconnects its standard output and error streams to that file as soon as possible. The result of this is that test cases and other processes which may be executed by tccd start execution with their standard input, standard output and standard error streams connected to these files as well¹¹.

All messages printed by tccd to the log file include the process ID and a time stamp, so that it is possible to determine the origin of a message when more than one tccd executes on the same machine. If a message cannot be printed to the log file for some reason, tccd attempts to send the message to /dev/console (on a UNIX system) or con (on a Windows NT system) as a last resort.

When the parent tccd daemon (but not the **inetd** version of tccd) starts, it prints a START message to the log file.

^{11.} If a test case or a build or clean tool is executed with TET_OUTPUT_CAPTURE set to True, then tcc arranges for tccd to execute the tool with standard output and standard error streams connected to a different file. The contents of this file are copied to the journal file when when the tool finishes execution.

When tccd receives the initial logon request from a client, it prints a message to the log file indicating the origin of the message and which system ID has been assigned to the system.

6.3.5 Terminating tccd

Each child tccd terminates automatically after its client process disconnects from it. The parent tccd on a UNIX system may be terminated by sending it a SIGTERM signal.

6.4 The Test Case Manager

The Test Case Manager (TCM) is not a separate program but is instead part of each TETware API.

Distinct versions of the C, C++ and Java APIs are provided with TETware-Lite and Distributed TETware, since the distributed versions provide support for remote and distributed testing, whereas the Lite versions do not. However, the same versions of the other APIs are provided with both TETware-Lite and Distributed TETware since these APIs do not provide support for distributed testing.

The C and C++ TCMs are linked with the compiled user-supplied test code and the C API library to form an executable file. When a distributed test case is executed by Distributed TETware, the TCMs on all the participating systems synchronise with each other at certain times during test execution, so as to ensure that test case parts running on the various systems keep in step with each other. Refer to the chapter entitled "Test case synchronisation" elsewhere in this guide for details of test case synchronisation.

The C and C++ APIs send diagnostic output to the journal file as test case manager messages. If this is not possible, each API writes diagnostic output to the TCM's standard error stream¹².

The Shell, Korn Shell and Perl TCMs are each sourced by the script containing the user-supplied test code. These TCMs do not support distributed testing.

The class files that contain the Java TCM is accessed by the Java interpreter using the value of the CLASSPATH environment variable. The Java API support library is accessed using the Java Native Interface (JNI).

6.5 The Synchronisation daemon tetsyncd

6.5.1 Introduction

The Synchronisation daemon tetsyncd provides support for distributed test case execution when Distributed TETware is used. As with all subsections describing Distributed TETware servers, this subsection is not applicable to TETware-Lite.

^{12.} By default the TCM's standard error stream is connected to the tccd log file when Distributed TETware is used.

6.5.2 Description

tetsyncd is a server that runs on the local system¹³ and undertakes the processing of automatic and user synchronisation requests. An automatic synchronisation request is generated by the Test Case Manager, and a user synchronisation request is made when a test purpose makes calls to the tet_remsync() API library routine.

tetsyncd cannot be started interactively but is started for you when required by tcc. tetsyncd terminates automatically approximately 60 seconds after the last client process has disconnected from it.

tetsyncd sends diagnostic output to its standard error stream. This stream is inherited from tcc; thus, diagnostics generated by tetsyncd appear wherever tcc's standard error stream is directed.

6.6 The Execution Results daemon tetxresd

6.6.1 Introduction

The Execution Results daemon tetxresd provides support for test case execution when Distributed TETware is used. As with all subsections describing Distributed TETware servers, this subsection is not applicable to TETware-Lite.

6.6.2 Description

tetxresd is a server that runs on the local system and undertakes the processing of journal output and test purpose results for API-conforming test cases. In addition, tetxresd performs certain administrative functions on the local system on behalf of processes running on remote systems, mostly related to **transfer save files** processing.

tetxresd cannot be started interactively but is started for you when required by tcc. tetxresd terminates automatically approximately 60 seconds after the last client process has disconnected from it.

tetxresd sends diagnostic output to its standard error stream. This stream is inherited from tcc; thus, diagnostics generated by tetxresd appear wherever tcc's standard error stream is directed.

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^{13.} That is: the system on which tcc runs.

7. Test case synchronisation

7.1 Introduction

This chapter describes how systems synchronise with each other when Distributed TETware is used, and explains how to interpret diagnostic messages which are generated when synchronisation requests do not complete successfully.

The facilities described in this chapter are not available when TETware-Lite is used.

7.2 Synchronisation request concepts

7.2.1 Request types

There are two types of synchronisation performed by Distributed TETware processes. Automatic synchronisation requests are generated when Test Case Managers synchronise with each other at certain pre-defined points during test case execution. User synchronisation requests are generated when different parts of a distributed test purpose call the tet_remsync() API library routine.

7.2.2 Request parameters

Each synchronisation request is accompanied by a **sync point number**, a **system ID list**, a **sync vote** and an optional **timeout**. In addition, a request may include an indication that the requesting process wishes to send or receive **sync message data** during the synchronisation operation.

Processes on systems which want to synchronise with each other send requests to the TETware Synchronisation daemon (tetsyncd). tetsyncd waits until all systems have submitted their requests and then notifies each participating process of the result.

The value of the **sync vote** specified in a synchronisation request can be either yes or no. tetsyncd notifies all participating processes of how each system voted in each request.

If a process specifies a **timeout** when making a request, then tetsyncd starts a per-process timeout as soon as the request is received. Each per-process timeout is reset to its initial value as each subsequent request is received from other participating systems; however, if the timeout for any process expires before all systems have submitted their requests then the synchronisation is considered to have failed.

It is possible for one system making a synchronisation request to send **sync message data** with the request. If the synchronisation is successful, then tetsyncd returns this data to other participating systems which have indicated willingness to receive such data when synchronisation is complete.

7.2.3 Sync events

tetsyncd defines a new **sync event** when the first system makes a request to synchronise to a particular **sync point** with a group of other systems. A **sync event** is considered to have completed as soon as one of the following conditions are met:

- 1. All of the systems that are expected to synchronise have done so.
- 2. One of the systems that has synchronised times out after having done so.
- 3. A process that has made a synchronisation request disconnects from tetsyncd before all the other systems that are expected to synchronise have done so.

When the event completes, all processes that have participated in the event are notified of the result. An event is considered to have succeeded if all systems that are expected to participate in the event submit requests with a yes vote. If a process on any of the participating systems submits a no vote, times out or disconnects from tetsynod before the event completes, then the event is considered to have failed.

7.2.4 Sync states

tetsyncd maintains a set of **sync states** for each sync event. One sync state in this set is maintained for each system that is expected to participate in a sync event.

The sync state of a system is indicated by one of the following mnemonics:

SYNC-YES The system has synchronised with a yes sync vote.

SYNC-NO The system has synchronised with a no vote.

NOT-SYNCED The system has not yet participated in this sync event.

TIMED-OUT The system has synchronised but the associated timeout has expired before the

sync event completed.

DEAD The system has synchronised but the participating process has disconnected from

tetsyncd before the sync event completed.

These mnemonics are used in diagnostic messages that relate to synchronisation request failures and other unexpected synchronisation conditions.

7.2.5 With what to synchronise?

As indicated above, when a TETware process makes a synchronisation request, it specifies a list of **system IDs** with which is wishes to synchronise. This means that any one TETware process running on a particular system can participate in a sync event on behalf of that system. It is not possible for a process to use TETware synchronisation facilities to synchronise with a particular process on a named system, or for processes on the same system to use these facilities to synchronise with each other.¹⁴

7.3 Automatic synchronisation requests

7.3.1 Description

Automatic synchronisation requests are generated by the TETware Test Case Manager, and by the API when a remote executed process is started. The list of systems that are expected to participate in automatic sync events for each distributed test case is defined before the first request is made. Each automatic synchronisation request is accompanied by a **sync ID** which identifies this list of systems. Processes which make automatic synchronisation requests do not send or receive sync message data.

^{14.} Note that the term **system** refers to a logical system ID, not to a physical machine. Therefore, it is possible for two or more co-operating processes with different system IDs running on the same physical machine to use TETware synchronisation facilities to synchronise with each other.

The following subsections describe the circumstances under which automatic synchronisation requests are made, and the parameters that are used in each type of request.

7.3.2 Test case manager synchronisation

When a distributed test case is executed, the TCMs on each participating system synchronise with each other during certain stages of test case processing. The sync point number associated with each request is used to identify which stage is about to begin. The timeout specified with each request depends on which stage is about to begin.

The following table lists these stages, the sync point numbers that are used to identify them and the timeouts that are used:

Stage in test case processing	Sync point number ¹⁵	Timeout (seconds)
At TCM startup time	1	60
Before the startup function (if any) is called	2	60
At the start of each invocable component	$(ICno + 1) * 2^{16}$	60
At the start of each test purpose	$((ICno + 1) * 2^{16}) + (TPno * 2)$	60
At the end of each test purpose	$((ICno + 1) * 2^{16}) + (TPno * 2) + 1$	600
Before the cleanup function (if any) is called	$((ICmax + 2) * 2^{16}) + 2$	60

In this table, *ICno* is the number of the invocable component being processed, *TPno* is the number of the test purpose being processed and *ICmax* is the highest numbered invocable component in the test case.

Normally, TCMs on each participating system specify a yes sync vote in each request. However, if a TCM on one system is about to execute a test purpose which has been deleted (by a previous call to tet_delete() in that test case), it instead specifies a no sync vote in the request made at test purpose start. When all the other TCMs see this no vote, they interpret this to mean that the test purpose is deleted and do not execute it.

In addition, if the consolidated result of a test purpose has an action code of Abort, the TCM on the master system¹⁶ synchronisises to the end of the last test purpose in the test case using a no vote. This causes all the other TCMs to perform the following actions:

- i. Any remaining test purposes in the current invocable component are deleted.
- ii. No further invocable components are executed, but test case cleanup processing is performed.

^{15.} It will be seen that the way that automatic sync point numbers are calculated imposes a limit of $(2^{15} - 2)$ test purposes per invocable component and $(2^{15} - 3)$ invocable components per test case.

^{16.} That is: the first system in the list specified with the associated :remote: or :distributed: directive.

7.3.3 Remote executed process synchronisation

When a test case starts a remote process by calling tet_remexec(), the remote process synchronises with the test case that called tet_remexec(). This is to ensure that the test case waits until the remote process has started up before continuing execution. Sync point number 1 and a yes sync vote are used in this request and the timeout is set to 60 seconds.

If the remote system's teed is unable to execute the process for some reason, it performs the initial synchronisation operation on behalf of that remote process but instead specifies a no vote in the request.

The way that synchronisation with remote executed processes is implemented makes it possible for a test case to start more than one process on the same remote system.

7.3.4 Error handling

There are two classes of error that can occur during automatic synchronisation requests, as follows:

- the request fails as a result of some problem that occurs in the API or in tetsyncd; these are described below as **synchronisation request failures**
- some problem is detected with one of the other systems which participated (or should have participated) in the sync event; these are described below as **synchronisation errors**

If an automatic synchronisation request failure occurs, then the TCM emits a single diagnostic indicating which automatic synchronisation request was being attempted and the cause of the failure.

If a problem is detected with one of the other systems involved in a sync event, then the TCM emits one diagnostic for each affected system. Each diagnostic indicates which automatic synchronisation request was being attempted and system ID and sync state of the affected system.

7.3.5 Example error messages

In the following examples, suppose that parts of a distributed test case are being executed on systems 0, 1 and 2.

7.3.5.1 Example 1

Suppose that a test case could not be started on system 1 for some reason. The TCM on (say) system 0 will time out waiting for system 1 to synchronise at TCM startup time, and will generate the following message:

```
system 0, reply code = ER_TIMEDOUT: initial sync error, \
          sysid = 1, state = NOT-SYNCED
```

The TCM that started successfully on system 2 will generate the following message:

```
system 2, reply code = ER_SYNCERR: initial sync error, \
          sysid = 0, state = TIMED-OUT
system 2, reply code = ER_SYNCERR: initial sync error, \
          sysid = 1, state = NOT-SYNCED
```

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7.3.5.2 Example 2

If the TCMs on systems 1 and 2 synchronise to the end of (say) test purpose 4 and the TCM on system 1 times out before the TCM on system 0 reaches the same point, the TCM on system 1 will generate the following message:

and the TCM on system 2 will generate the following message:

At this point, the sync event is considered to have completed.

When the TCM on system 0 finally makes its synchronisation request at the end of test purpose 4, it will generate the following message:

```
system 0, reply code = ER_DONE: Auto Sync failed at end of TP 4
```

This indicates that the TCM on system 0 has missed the sync event because the event has already completed.

7.4 User synchronisation requests

7.4.1 Description

A user synchronisation request is generated when a test purpose in a distributed test case calls the tet_remsync() API library routine¹⁷. The sync point number, system ID list, vote and timeout are specified in each call. In addition to these parameters, a process can send, or indicate willingness to receive, sync message data. When this is done and all participating systems use the same sync point number, message data sent by the sending system may be returned to the receiving systems on completion of the event.

tetsyncd defines a separate sequence of user sync events for each distinct system ID list specified in tet_remsync() calls made by test purposes in a particular distributed test case. Thus, a user sync event will only be successful if the test purposes on all systems that are expected to participate in the event all specify the same system ID list in their tet_remsync() calls.

User sync events have lower precedence than automatic sync events. Therefore, if the test purpose on one system returns control to the TCM while test purposes on other systems are waiting on a user sync event that includes that system, the user sync event is considered to have completed unsuccessfully and participating processes are notified accordingly.

^{17.} The tet_remsync() function replaces the tet_sync() and tet_msync() functions that have been implemented in previous DTET and dTET2 releases. In order to provide backward compatibility with existing test suites, tet_sync() and tet_msync() are still supported in TETware but these functions are now marked "to be withdrawn".

7.4.2 Error handling

Synchronisation request failures and synchronisation errors for user synchronisation requests are defined in the same way as for automatic synchronisation requests. In addition, if one or more of the participating systems specifies a no vote, this causes a failure indication on all systems.

By default, the API prints a test case manager message to the journal file when a user synchronisation request is unsuccessful. Each diagnostic indicates the sync point number of the request that was unsuccessful and the system IDs and sync states of the systems which failed to synchronise or timed out. The formats of diagnostics printed to the journal file are different from those generated for unsuccessful automatic synchronisation requests. Examples of the formats that may be used to report an unsuccessful user synchronisation request are presented in the next section.

However, it is possible for the test suite author to arrange for a different action to be taken when a user synchronisation request is unsuccessful. When this is done, the default action is not taken and the API does not generate journal messages of the type described in the next section.

7.4.3 Example error messages

The following subsections contain examples of the error messages that are generated by the API's default error handler routine. These messages are not generated when a user-supplied error handler routine is specified.

In the following examples, suppose that parts of a distributed test case are being executed on systems 0, 1 and 2. Suppose that sync point number 12 is being used in each case and that the timeout is set to 30 seconds.

7.4.3.1 Example 1

Suppose the test purpose on system 0 expects to synchronise with the test purpose on system 1, but the test purpose on system 1 returns control to the TCM without making a synchronisation request. The API on system 0 will generate the following messages:

7.4.3.2 Example 2

Suppose that all the systems expect to synchronise with each other but that system 1 times out before system 0 reaches the sync point. The API on system 1 will generate the following messages:

and the API on system 2 will generate the following messages:

```
system 2: sync operation failed, syncptno = 12, \
            one or more of the other systems did not sync \
            or timed out
system 2: system = 0, state = NOT-SYNCED
system 2: system = 1, state = TIMED-OUT
```

At this point the event is to considered to have completed.

When the test purpose on system 0 finally makes its synchronisation request, the request will fail because the associated event has already happened. The API on system 0 will generate the following message:

```
system 0: sync operation failed, syncptno = 12, event already happened
```

This indicates that the part of the test purpose on system 0 has missed the sync event because the event has already completed.

7.4.3.3 Example 3

Suppose that the test case on system 1 terminates unexpectedly before the sync event completes. The API on system 0 will generate the following messages:

and the API on system 2 will generate the following messages:

8. Interacting with test cases in Distributed TETware

8.1 Introduction

When a test case or tool is run under the control of the Lite version of tcc it inherits standard input, standard output and standard error streams from tcc (provided output capture mode is not in effect). This means that it is possible to interact with test cases and tools when tcc is run from a terminal.

By contrast, when a test case or tool is run under the control of the Distributed version of tcc, its standard input is connected to the null device and its standard output and standard error are connected to the tccd log file. This means that it is not possible to interact with test cases or tools when they are executed by tcc in the normal way. Instead it is necessary to instruct tcc to execute each test case under the control of a tool that enables input and output to be directed from/to a terminal.

This chapter describes such a tool. This tool is a shell script and its name is tet_start. Its function is to execute a test case in its own window, so as to enable the user to interact with the test case in the normal way. Although tet_start is primarily designed as an exec tool, it is possible to use it as a front end to other tools as well.

Information about the way in which tcc processes an exec tool is presented in the section entitled "Execute mode processing" in the TETware Programmers Guide.

8.2 System requirements

8.2.1 UNIX systems

On a UNIX system, tet_start runs the test case in a new xterm window. This means that an xterm client (or equivalent) must be available on each machine where test cases are to be run under control of tet_start. By default the window is displayed on the machine's graphics display (if it has one). However, it is not necessary for the machine to have a graphics display since tet_start can be instructed to use any available X-terminal or workstation that is running an X server.

8.2.2 Win32 systems

On a Win32 system, tet_start runs the test case in a window created by the start command that is part of the MKS Toolkit. This means that the MKS Toolkit must be installed on each machine where test cases are to be run under control of tet_start. On a Win32 system, tet_start always displays the window on the system's monitor.

8.3 Using tet_start

You can tell tcc to execute each test case under the control of tet_start by setting the TET_EXEC_TOOL variable in the execute mode configuration. For example:

TET_EXEC_TOOL=tet-root/bin/tet_start

(You don't need to use the full path name if your search PATH includes tet-root/bin.)

Then, when you use tcc to process a scenario in execute mode, tet_start runs each test case in the scenario in its own window. The window's title includes the name of the test case being executed and the system number. Any output generated by the test case is displayed in the

window and characters typed in the window are made available to the test case. When the test case exits, tet_start prints the test case's exit status followed by a prompt. When you type a RETURN, tet_start terminates, the window closes and control is returned to tcc.

You can use tet_start to execute another exec tool. This capability can be useful if you want to use a debugger to operate on a remote or distributed test case. You can use the TET_EXEC_FILE configuration variable to specify the other exec tool. For example:

```
TET_EXEC_TOOL=tet-root/bin/tet_start
TET_EXEC_FILE=other-exec-tool
```

If you need to pass arguments to the other exec tool, you can specify these on the end of the assignment to TET_EXEC_FILE. For example:

```
TET_EXEC_TOOL=tet-root/bin/tet_start
TET_EXEC_FILE=other-exec-tool args ...
```

Further information about the way that tcc processes the TET_EXEC_TOOL and TET_EXEC_FILE configuration variables is presented in the sections entitled "Execute mode processing" and "Configuration variables which modify TETware's operation", both in the TETware Programmers Guide.

8.4 Customising tet_start

8.4.1 Introduction

You can use certain configuration variables to pass additional information to tet_start. You can define these variables in the configuration for the current mode of operation. For example, if you need to define any of these variables when you use tet_start as an exec tool, you should define the variables in the execute mode configuration.

If you are using Distributed TETware to process remote or distributed test cases on several systems, it may be necessary to specify different values of these variables in the configurations for the different systems. This is particularly likely if the machines on which the systems reside are of different types. There is a complex relationship between variables defined on the local system and variables defined on remote systems. This relationship is described in the section entitled "Setting configuration variables on local and remote systems when using Distributed TETware" elsewhere in this guide. Further details are presented in the section entitled "Configuration variable processing in Distributed TETware" in the TETware Programmers Guide.

The variables that may be used to customise tet_start are described in the following subsections.

8.4.2 UNIX systems

8.4.2.1 Specifying which xterm command to use

On a UNIX system, tet_start uses xterm to create the new window. tet_start looks for xterm in a list of standard places, followed by directories specified in the PATH environment variable. When tet_start is used on a remote system it inherits PATH from tccd. On most systems it is unlikely that this value of PATH will include the directory which contains xterm, so searching a list of standard places increases the chance that tet_start will be able to find xterm unaided.

If necessary, you can use the TET_XTERM configuration variable to change the name of the xterm program. Some reasons why you might need to do this include:

- when you need to specify the location of xterm explicitly;
- when xterm is called something else on your system (for example: aixterm, color_xterm, hpterm etc.)
- when you want to pass additional arguments to xterm.

For example, to instruct xterm to use the 8x13 font instead of the default, you might make the following assignment:

```
TET XTERM=/usr/X11R6/bin/xterm -font 8x13
```

As a more complicated example, consider a distributed test case running on several systems. Suppose that remote system 1 is running a version of SVR4 where xterm needs to access shared libraries which cannot be found using the default library search path. In this case you might make the following assignment in the execute mode configuration on remote system 1:

```
TET_XTERM=LD_LIBRARY_PATH=:/usr/X/lib /usr/X/bin/xterm
```

Or you could make the following assignment in the execute mode configuration file on the local system¹⁸:

```
TET_REM001_TET_XTERM=LD_LIBRARY_PATH=:/usr/X/lib /usr/X/bin/xterm
```

8.4.2.2 Directing the new window to a particular display

By default, xterm connects to the X server specified by the DISPLAY environment variable. tet_start checks to see if there is a DISPLAY variable in its environment and, if there is not, it supplies a default value of DISPLAY=unix:0.0. This value instructs xterm to connect to the X server running on a directly connected monitor.

You can use the TET_XTERM_DISPLAY configuration variable to supply an explicit value for the DISPLAY environment variable that is inherited by the xterm command.

For example, if you are running parts of a distributed test case on several systems and you want all the windows to appear on your workstation's monitor, you might make the following assignment in the execute mode configuration file on the local system:

```
TET_XTERM_DISPLAY=frodo:0.0
```

(assuming that your workstation is called frodo).

It should be noted that a value of TET_XTERM_DISPLAY is always required for each remote system on which tet_start is to be run if that system does not have an X server running on a directly connected monitor.

^{18.} That is: the system on which tcc runs.

8.4.3 Win32 systems

8.4.3.1 Specifying the location of the start command

On a Win32 system, tet_start uses the MKS start command to create the new window. If the ROOTDIR environment variable is set, tet_start looks for the start command in the \$ROOTDIR/mksnt directory; otherwise in the c:/mksnt directory. If the command cannot be found using this path name, it is searched for using the PATH environment variable. 19

If necessary, you can use the TET_START configuration variable to specify an explicit location of the MKS start command.

8.5 Application notes

8.5.1 General

- 1. You must not enable output capture mode if you want test case output to appear in the window that is created by tet_start. That is: if you specify a value for TET_OUTPUT_CAPTURE in the configuration for the current mode of operation, be sure to set it to False.
- 2. If you use a debugger to operate on part of distributed test case and you set a breakpoint in a test purpose function or a startup or cleanup function, you should be aware of the impact this can have on the timeouts associated with automatic sync points. In particular, if you leave a test case part waiting at a break point for any length of time it is likely that the automatic sync point at the end of the corresponding function on the other system(s) will time out.
 - Information about automatic sync points and the timeouts associated them is presented in the chapter entitled "Test case synchronisation" elsewhere in this guide.
- 3. In Distributed TETware, diagnostic output from tet_start itself and the commands that it executes usually appears in the tccd log file on each system.
- 4. The exit status of tet_start is taken from the exit status of xterm (on a UNIX system) or start (on a Win32 system). Usually this is zero, irrespective of the executed test case's exit status. It should be noted that when an exec tool is used, the exit status reported by tcc on the TC End line in the journal is the exit status of the exec tool and not of the test case.

8.5.2 UNIX systems

1. If you resize a window, all processes running in the window receive a SIGWINCH signal. The TCM catches all the signals it can and so it terminates when it receives this signal. In order to overcome this it is necessary to tell the TCM to leave the SIGWINCH signal alone by using the TET_SIG_LEAVE configuration variable.

^{19.} It is possible that a Windows 95 command of the same name might be found when PATH is used; see "Application notes" later in this chapter.

For example, if SIGWINCH has the value 28 on your system, you should make the following assignment in the execute mode configuration:

TET_SIG_LEAVE=28

Further information about this configuration variable is presented in sections entitled "Insulating from the test environment" in each of the chapters in the TETware Programmers Guide which describes an API.

8.5.3 Win32 systems

- 1. If you use the TET_START configuration variable to specify an alternative name for the start command, you should use / (forward slash) as the directory separator character in the path name. The results are undefined if the value of TET_START contains a \ (backslash) character.
- 2. Most of the TETware TCMs do not trap keyboard signals on Win32 systems. So, if you type a control-C or control-BREAK in a window in which a test case is running, it is likely that the test case will terminate without generating a result. Refer to the appendix entitled "Implementation notes for TETware on Win32 systems" in this guide for further details.
- 3. Users of Windows 95 systems should be aware that if tet_start cannot find the MKS start command and the TET_START configuration variable is not set, it might try and use the Windows 95 start command instead. To avoid this possibility it is recommended that TET_START should always be set on a Windows 95 system.

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B. TETware directory structure

The following diagram illustrates the directory structure used by TETware. Each directory level is represented by a level of indentation. Directory names are followed by a / character. Some directories and files shown here are part of the TETware distribution, whereas others are part of the user-supplied test suites or are created in the course of TETware's operation.

The suffixes shown in this diagram are the ones that are used on UNIX systems. On Win32 systems, object files (.o files) have the suffix .obj, archive library files (.a files) and import library files (.so files) have the suffix .lib and executable files have the suffix .exe. Other suffixes shown here are the same on both systems.

The structure shown here is the complete one used when a source code distribution of Distributed TETware is built to support all of the available options. Therefore not all of the directories and files shown here are present in TETware-Lite or if a binary distribution is installed.

```
tet-root/
     bin/
           tcc
           tccd or in.tccd∂
           tccdstart∂
           tet_start
           tetsyncd?
           tetxresd∂
          other TETware executables
          DLLs on Win32 systems
     contrib/
           directories containing user-contributed software
     doc/
          TETware documentation
     inc/
           tet3/
                TETware API header files
           directories containing compatibility-mode links to API header files§
     lib/
           java/ O
                libjapi.soO
                java class files O
          ksh/
```

 $[\]partial$ Not present in TETware-Lite.

[§] Only on UNIX systems where TETware has been installed with an option which provides source code compatibility with for test suites written for use with previous TET versions.

Only on systems where the Java API has been installed.

```
tetapi.ksh
         tcm.ksh
    perl/
         api.pl*
         tcm.pl*
    tet3/
         Ctcm.o†
         Ctcmchild.o†
         Cthrtcm.o†‡
         Cthrtcmchild.o†‡
         libapi.a
         libapi_s.so□
         libtcm_s.a□
         libthrapi.a‡
         libthrapi_s.so‡□
         libthrtcm_s.a‡□
         tcm.o
         tcm_m.o
         tcm_ms.o□
         tcmchild.o
         tcmchild_s.o
         tcmc_m.o
         tcmc_ms.o
         tcmrem.o∂
         tcmr_m.o∂
         thrtcm.o‡
         thrtcm_m.o‡
         thrtcmchild.o‡
         thrtcmc_m.o‡
    xpg3sh/
         tetapi.sh
         tcm.sh
    directories containing compatibility-mode links to API object and library files§
src/
    defines/
         platform-specific makefile definition files
     java/O
         Java API source tree
    ksh/
```

* Only on systems which support Perl.

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[†] Only on systems which support C++.

[‡] Only on systems which support threads.

[☐] Only on systems where shared API libraries have been built.

```
Korn Shell API source tree
     perl/
           Perl API source tree
     tet3/
           TETware C source tree
     xpg3sh/
           Shell API source tree
systems∂
systems.equiv\partial
test-suite-root /
     tet_code
     tet_scen
     tetbuild.cfg
     tetclean.cfg
     tetdist.cfg
     tetexec.cfg
     results/
           nnnn[bec]/
                REMOTEnnn/\partial
                      transfer save files
                journal
                other results files
     tet_tmp_dir/
           nnnnnx /
     test case files and directories
```

C. TETware journal lines

This appendix describes the various journal lines that may appear in a TETware journal file.

Test Case Controller Start

0 | version time date | who

This message is generated by tcc at the beginning of each TCC execution. The parameters include the version of tcc used, the time at which TCC execution started and the current date. The message area contains information about who ran the test and lists the tcc command-line that was used.

Local System Information

5 | sysname nodename release version machine | text

This message follows the Test Case Controller Start message. On a UNIX system the parameters are obtained from the information returned by the uname() system call. On a Win32 system the parameters identify the name of the operating system, the computer name, the operating system's major and minor version numbers and the processor type. In Distributed TETware this information relates to the local system.

Test Case Start

10 | activity testcase time | IClist

A test case start message is generated by tcc for each test case executed in a scenario. The parameters are the sequence number of this TCC activity, the path name of the test case and the time the test was started. If the corresponding scenario line contains a list of invocable components to be executed, then that IC list is included in the text area of the message.

Test Case Manager Start

15 | activity version ICcount | text

The TCM writes this message during its initialisation. The parameters include the sequence number of this TCC activity, the version of the TCM being used and the number of invocable components to be executed.

Local System Configuration Start

20 | pathname mode | text

Configuration start messages are placed in the journal by tcc at test session startup for each of the selected modes of operation. Parameters are the path name of the configuration file being referenced and the mode to which this configuration information applies.

Remote System Configuration Start

20 | nnn mode | text

Where *nnn* describes the remote system ID instead of the path name of the configuration file.

Configuration Variable Setting

30 | | *variable=value*

A configuration variable setting line is written to the journal by tcc for each variable set for the current mode. The message area indicates the name of the configuration variable and the value to which it was set.

Configuration End

40 | | text

A configuration end message is placed in the journal by tcc to indicate the end of configuration options for a particular mode.

Test Case Controller Message

50 | | *text*

tcc generates messages when it encounters execution problems. The message area gives an indication of the nature of the problem.

Scenario Information

70 | | *text*

tcc generates a scenario information line when it encounters a journal message in the scenario file being processed. The text of the message is included in the message area.

Test Case End

80 | activity status time | text

A test case end message is generated by tcc after each test case completes execution. The parameters are the TCC activity number, the time the execution completed and an indication of the TCM's completion status.

User Abort

90 | time | text

tcc generates an operator abort message when its execution is interrupted by the user.

Captured Output

100 | activity | text

tcc generates a captured message for each line of output captured when the output capture mode is enabled. The parameter is the TCC activity counter.

Build Start

110 | activity testcase time | text

A build start message is generated by tcc prior to build tool execution. The parameters are the TCC activity counter, the path name of the test case being built and the time the build started.

Build End

130 | activity status time | text

A build end message is generated by tcc upon completion of build tool execution. It contains the TCC activity number, an indication of the completion status of the build tool and the time of that completion.

Test Purpose Start

200 | activity TPnumber time | text

The TCM generates a test purpose start message for each test purpose executed. The message contains the TCC activity number, the test purpose number and the time execution started.

Test Purpose Result

220 | activity TPnumber result time | result-name

The TCM generates a result message for each test purpose executed. Parameters for this message are the TCC activity number, the test purpose number, the result code and the time execution completed.

Clean Start

300 | activity testcase time | text

tcc writes a clean start message to the journal before invoking the clean tool for a given test case.

Clean End

320 | activity status time | text

After a clean operation on a test case is complete, tcc records the TCC activity number, the completion status and the time at which the operation was completed.

Invocable Component Start

400 | activity | ICnumber | TPcount | time | text

The TCM generates an invocable component start message for each invocable component that is executed during a test case run. This message contains the TCC activity counter, the invocable component number, number of test purposes to be executed and the time invocable component execution started.

Invocable Component End

410 | activity | ICnumber | TPcount | time | text

The TCM generates an invocable component end message for each invocable component that is completed. The message contains the TCC activity counter, the invocable component number, the number of test purposes actually executed and the time of the invocable component completion.

Test Case Manager Message

510 | activity | text

If the TCM or API encounters a problem, a TCM message will be written to the journal. The parameter indicates the TCC activity counter and the message area contains a brief description of the problem.

Test Case Information

520 | activity TPnumber context block sequence | text

When a test case outputs information to the execution results file it is recorded as test case information. The message specified by the test case is in the text area of this line.

Parallel Start

600 | count | text

The scenario file parallel directive start marker.

Parallel End

620 | | text

The scenario file parallel directive end marker.

Implied Sequential Start

630 | | text

Marks the start of an Implied Sequential directive generated by tcc when in ETET compatibility mode.

Implied Sequential End

640 | | text

Marks the end of an Implied Sequential directive generated by tcc when in ETET compatibility mode.

Repeat Start

700 | *count* | *text*

The scenario file repeat directive start marker, where *count* is the number of times the test cases within the scope of the repeat directive are to be repeated.

Repeat End

720 | | text

The scenario file repeat directive end marker.

Timed Loop Start

730 | seconds | text

The scenario file timed_loop directive start marker. Execution of test cases within the scope of this directive is repeated until the specified number of *seconds* have elapsed.

Timed Loop End

740 | | text

The scenario file timed_loop directive end marker.

Random Start

The scenario file random directive start marker.

Random End

The scenario file random directive end marker.

Remote Start

$$800 \mid nnn_1, nnn_2, \dots \mid text$$

The scenario file remote directive start marker. nnn_1 , nnn_2 etc. are the system IDs specified with this directive.

Remote End

The scenario file remote directive end marker.

Distributed Start

$$830 \mid nnn_1, nnn_2, \dots \mid text$$

The scenario file distributed directive start marker. nnn_1 , nnn_2 etc. are the system IDs specified with this directive.

Distributed End

The scenario file distributed directive end marker.

Test Case Controller End

When tcc finishes processing the scenario, it generates a TCC end message. This message indicates the time execution completed.

D. TETware demonstration journal file

D.1 Introduction

Instructions on how to run the Distributed TETware demonstration test suite are presented in one of the sections in the chapter entitled "Running the TETware demonstrations" elsewhere in this guide. This appendix contains an example journal file that might be generated when this test suite is built, executed and cleaned by tcc on a pair of UNIX systems.

D.2 Example journal file

```
0|3.0b 20:09:33 19961128|User: tet (105) TCC Start, \
        Command line: tcc -bec demo
20 | /home/tet/tet3/demo/tetbuild.cfg 0 | Config Start
30 | TET_BUILD_TOOL=make
30 | TET_BUILD_FILE=-f makefile
30 | TET_OUTPUT_CAPTURE=True
30 | TET_API_COMPLIANT=False
30 | TET_PASS_TC_NAME=True
30 | TET_VERSION=3.0b
40 | Config End
20 | /home/tet/tet3/demo/tetexec.cfg 1 | Config Start
30 | | TET_OUTPUT_CAPTURE=False
30 | TET_EXEC_IN_PLACE=False
30 | TET_API_COMPLIANT=True
30 | TET_PASS_TC_NAME=False
30 | TET_VERSION=3.0b
40 | Config End
20 / home/tet/tet3/demo/tetclean.cfg 2 | Config Start
30 | TET_CLEAN_TOOL=rm
30 | TET_CLEAN_FILE=-f
30||TET_OUTPUT_CAPTURE=True
30 | TET_API_COMPLIANT=False
30 | TET_PASS_TC_NAME=True
30 | | TET_VERSION=3.0b
40 | Config End
20 | /home/tet/tet3/demo/tetdist.cfg 3 | Config Start
30||TET_REM000_TET_ROOT=/home/tet/tet3
30 | TET_REM000_TET_SUITE_ROOT=/home/tet/tet3
30 | TET_REM000_TET_TSROOT=/home/tet/tet3/demo
30||TET_REM000_TET_TMP_DIR=/home/tet/tet3/demo/tet_tmp_dir
30 | TET_REM001_TET_ROOT=/home/tet
30 | TET_REM001_TET_TSROOT=/home/tet/demo
30 | TET_REM001_TET_TMP_DIR=/home/tet/demo/tet_tmp_dir
40 | Config End
20 remote_001 0 Config Start
30 | TET_BUILD_TOOL=make
30 | TET_BUILD_FILE=-f makefile
30 | | TET_OUTPUT_CAPTURE=True
30 | TET_API_COMPLIANT=False
30 | TET_PASS_TC_NAME=True
30 | TET_VERSION=3.0b
40 | Config End
```

```
20 remote_001 1 Config Start
    30 | | TET_OUTPUT_CAPTURE=False
    30 | | TET_EXEC_IN_PLACE=False
    30 | | TET_API_COMPLIANT=True
    30 | TET_PASS_TC_NAME=False
    30 | TET_VERSION=3.0b
    40||Config End
    20 remote_001 2 Config Start
    30 | TET_CLEAN_TOOL=rm
    30 | TET_CLEAN_FILE=-f
    30 | | TET_OUTPUT_CAPTURE=True
    30 | TET_API_COMPLIANT=False
    30 | TET_PASS_TC_NAME=True
    30 | TET_VERSION=3.0b
    40 | Config End
    70 | starting scenario
    800 000,001 Remote Start, scenario ref 2-0
    110 0 /ts/tcl 20:09:34 Build Start, scenario ref 3-0
    100 | 0 | cc -I../../inc/tet3 -Xa -o tc1 tc1.c ../../lib/tet3/tcm.o \setminus
             ../../lib/tet3/libapi.a \
    100 | 0 |
                     -lsocket -lnsl
    130 0 0 20:09:55 Build End, scenario ref 3-0
    110 | 1 /ts/tcl 20:09:34 | Build Start, scenario ref 3-1
    100|1| cc -I../../inc/tet3 -Xa -o tc1 tc1.c ../../lib/tet3/tcm.o \
             ../../lib/tet3/libapi.a \
    100|1|
                     -lsocket -lnsl
    130|1 0 20:09:55|Build End, scenario ref 3-1
    10|2 /ts/tc1 20:09:55|TC Start, scenario ref 3-0
    15|2 3.0b 1|TCM Start
    400|2 1 1 20:09:58|IC Start
    200|2 1 20:09:58|TP Start
    520 2 1 00104958 1 1 This is the first test case (tc1)
    520 2 1 00004957 1 1 This is the first test case (tc1)
    220 2 1 0 20:09:59 PASS
    410 2 1 1 20:09:59 IC End
    80|2 0 20:09:59|TC End, scenario ref 3-0
    300|3 /ts/tcl 20:10:00|Clean Start, scenario ref 3-0
    320|3 0 20:10:02|Clean End, scenario ref 3-0
    300|4 /ts/tcl 20:10:00|Clean Start, scenario ref 3-1
    320|4 0 20:10:02|Clean End, scenario ref 3-1
    110|5 /ts/tc2 20:10:02|Build Start, scenario ref 4-0
    100|5| cc -I../../inc/tet3 -Xa -o tc2 tc2.c ../../lib/tet3/tcm.o \
             ../../lib/tet3/libapi.a \
    100|5|
                     -lsocket -lnsl
    130|5 0 20:10:17|Build End, scenario ref 4-0
    110 6 /ts/tc2 20:10:02 Build Start, scenario ref 4-1
    100|6| cc -I../../inc/tet3 -Xa -o tc2 tc2.c ../../lib/tet3/tcm.o \
             ../../lib/tet3/libapi.a \
    100 | 6 |
                     -lsocket -lnsl
    130 6 0 20:10:17 Build End, scenario ref 4-1
    10|7 /ts/tc2 20:10:17|TC Start, scenario ref 4-0
    15 | 7 3.0b 1 | TCM Start
    400 | 7 1 1 20:10:20 | IC Start
    200|7 1 20:10:20|TP Start
    520 | 7 1 00105006 1 1 | This is the second test case (tc2, slave)
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520 \mid 7 1 00005005 1 1 This is the second test case (tc2, master).
520 7 1 00005005 1 2
520 | 7 1 00005005 1 3 | The master part of this test purpose reports PASS
520 7 1 00005005 1 4 but the slave part of this test purpose reports FAIL
520 7 1 00005005 1 5 so the consolidated result of the test purpose is FAIL.
520 7 1 00005005 1 6
520 \mid 7 1 00005005 1 7 | The lines in this block of text are printed by a single
520|7 1 00005005 1 8|call to tet_minfoline() in the master part of the test
520 7 1 00005005 1 9 purpose so output from the slave part of the test purpose
520 | 7 1 00005005 1 10 | won't be mixed up with these lines.
220|7 1 1 20:10:20|FAIL
410 | 7 1 1 20:10:20 | IC End
80 7 0 20:10:22 TC End, scenario ref 4-0
300|8 /ts/tc2 20:10:24|Clean Start, scenario ref 4-0
320|8 0 20:10:25|Clean End, scenario ref 4-0
300|9 /ts/tc2 20:10:24|Clean Start, scenario ref 4-1
320|9 0 20:10:25|Clean End, scenario ref 4-1
70 | | "next is the last test case"
110|10 /ts/tc3 20:10:25|Build Start, scenario ref 6-0
100|10| cc -I../../inc/tet3 -Xa -o tc3 tc3.c ../../lib/tet3/tcm.o \
        ../../lib/tet3/libapi.a \
100 | 10 |
                -lsocket -lnsl
130 | 10 0 20:10:41 | Build End, scenario ref 6-0
110 | 11 /ts/tc3 20:10:25 | Build Start, scenario ref 6-1
100|11| cc -I../../inc/tet3 -Xa -o tc3 tc3.c ../../lib/tet3/tcm.o \
        ../../lib/tet3/libapi.a \
100 | 11 |
                -lsocket -lnsl
130 | 11 0 20:10:41 | Build End, scenario ref 6-1
10|12 /ts/tc3 20:10:42|TC Start, scenario ref 6-0
15|12 3.0b 2|TCM Start
400 | 12 1 1 20:10:50 | IC Start
200|12 1 20:10:50|TP Start
520 12 1 00005056 1 1 This is tpl in the third test case (tc3, master)
520 | 12 1 00005056 1 2 | sync with slave (sysid: 1)
520 | 12 1 00105063 1 1 | This is tp1 in the third test case (tc3, slave)
520 | 12 1 00105063 1 2 | sync with master (sysid: 0)
220|12 1 0 20:10:50|PASS
410 | 12 1 1 20:10:50 | IC End
400 | 12 2 1 20:10:50 | IC Start
200|12 2 20:10:50|TP Start
520|12 2 00005056 1 1|This is tp2 in the third test case (tc3, master)
520|12 2 00005056 1 2|send message "test data" to slave (sysid: 1)
520 | 12 2 00105063 1 1 | This is tp2 in the third test case (tc3, slave)
520|12 2 00105063 1 2|sync with master (sysid: 0) and receive data
520|12 2 00105063 1 3|received message "test data" from master
220 | 12 2 0 20:10:50 | PASS
410|12 2 1 20:10:50|IC End
80|12 0 20:10:51|TC End, scenario ref 6-0
300|13 /ts/tc3 20:10:52|Clean Start, scenario ref 6-0
320|13 0 20:10:54|Clean End, scenario ref 6-0
300|14 /ts/tc3 20:10:52|Clean Start, scenario ref 6-1
320|14 0 20:10:54|Clean End, scenario ref 6-1
820 | Remote End, scenario ref 2-0
70 | | "done"
900 20:10:54 TCC End
```

E. Server reply codes

E.1 Introduction

When a TETware client process makes a request of a server, a server reply code is returned to the client which indicates the success or failure of the request. Many of these reply codes are interpreted by the client and so are never visible to the user. However, some reply codes may be printed in TETware diagnostic messages which appear in the journal file on the master system or in the tccd log file on one of the slave systems.

In addition, when an API function call is unsuccessful, the API places a value in the global variable tet_errno which indicates the reason for the failure. The symbolic names corresponding to the values which may appear in tet_errno are defined in tet-root/inc/tet3/tet_api.h and are formed by prepending the string TET_ to each of the names listed here. The meaning of each API error code thus defined is the same as that of the corresponding server reply code described here.

A client-server architecture is not used in TETware-Lite. In situations where the Distributed version of tcc sends an action function request to tccd, the Lite version of tcc performs the action itself. However, the control logic in both versions of tcc is the same. Therefore an action function invoked within the Lite version of tcc returns the same reply code to the control logic as when that action function is invoked remotely in tccd as a result of a request sent from the Distributed version of tcc. Thus it is possible for certain diagnostic messages generated by the Lite version of tcc to include a server reply code even though the associated processing does not involve interaction with a server.

E.2 List of server reply codes

The following is a list of possible server reply codes and their meanings:

ER_OK No error.

The request completed successfully.

ER_2BIG Argument list too long.

The request could not be processed because the size of an argument list presented to one of the exec or spawn system calls was greater than the

maximum permitted by the system.

ER_ABORT Abort test case.

The action associated with the consolidated result of a distributed test

purpose indicated that the test case should be aborted.

ER_CONTEXT Request out of context.

A request arrived before a pre-requisite message had been received by the

server.

ER_DONE Event already happened.

A synchronisation request arrived after the related sync event had completed, or IC or TP start or end requests arrived in the wrong order, or a CONFIG request violated the configuration variable exchange protocol.

ER_DUPS Duplicate system IDs in list.

The list of system IDs specified in the request contained duplicate entries.

ER_ERR General error code.

Diagnostics which include this reply code are always preceded by another message describing the error in more detail. If the error actually occurred on a slave system, it is likely that the more detailed message will appear in the tccd log file on the slave system rather than in the journal file on the master system.

ER_FID Bad file ID.

An invalid file ID was specified in a file transfer request. This usually indicates an internal program error of some kind.

ER_FORK Can't fork.

tccd was unable to fork while processing an OP_EXEC request. A message describing the reason for the failure is printed in the tccd log file on the affected system.

ER_INPROGRESS Event in progress.

An attempt was made to modify the system ID list associated with an event after the event had started, or IC or TP start or end requests arrived in the wrong order, or a CONFIG request violated the configuration variable exchange protocol.

ER_INTERN Internal server error.

A server request processing function neglected to supply a message reply code. This usually indicates an internal program error of some kind.

ER_INVAL Invalid request parameter.

The value of one of the request parameters was not valid for this request type. This error may be raised both in the client's server function interface code and in the server's request processing code.

ER_LOGON Logon protocol error.

A client issued a server request before having first logged on to the server, or attempted to log on to a server more than once. This error may be raised both in the client's server function interface code and in the server's request processing code. This usually indicates an internal program error of some kind.

ER_MAGIC Bad magic number.

An interprocess message header contained an invalid magic number. This can occur if the client and server data streams become out of sync or when the client and server are incompatible (e.g., because they are derived from different TETware releases).

ER_NOENT No such file or directory.

A file specified in an OP_EXEC request could not be found, or a saved files directory could not be accessed.

ER_PERM No permission.

> A request was received from a client that was not authorised to send it, or the server did not have the permissions necessary to perform the requested action.

ER PID Invalid process ID.

> The process ID specified in an OP_WAIT or OP_KILL request did not refer to a process started by the requesting system.

Message receive error. ER_RCVERR

> A server could not process a request because an I/O error occurred while the message was being received.

Invalid request. ER_REQ

> A request was attempted that was not valid for this server type. This error may be raised both in the client's server function interface code and in the server's request processing code. This usually indicates an internal program error of some kind.

Invalid signal number. ER_SIGNUM

> The signal number specified in an OP_KILL request was not valid on the target system.

ER SNID Bad sync ID.

> A request to tetsyncd specified an invalid sync identifier. This usually indicates an internal program error of some kind.

Synchronisation was unsuccessful. ER_SYNCERR

> A sync event completed unsuccessfully because one or more of the participants did not synchronise, submitted a no sync vote, timed out or terminated unexpectedly.

ER SYSID Bad system ID.

> A client running on a system which is not participating in a distributed test purpose tried to participate in an event relating to that test purpose, or no process from a system that was supposed to be participating in an event was logged on to the server.

ER TIMEDOUT Request timed out.

> The timeout specified with the request expired before the request could complete.

ER_TRACE Tracing not configured.

> An OP_TRACE request was sent to a server which had been compiled with tracing disabled.

No un-waited-for children to report. ER_WAIT

> An OP_WAIT request with a zero timeout found that the specified process had not yet exited.

Bad execution results file ID. ER_XRID

> A request to tetxresd specified an invalid execution results file identifier. This usually indicates an internal program error of some kind.

F. Mnemonics used in TETware diagnostics

F.1 Introduction

This appendix describes some of the mnemonics that may be used in diagnostic and trace messages generated by TETware programs. Some mnemonics are used both in Distributed TETware and TETware-Lite, whereas others are only used in Distributed TETware.

F.2 Process types

Each type of process is assigned a process type identifier.

The following table lists TETware process types and their meanings:

Process type	Program name	Description
MTCC	tcc	Master test case controller
MTCM	test-case-name	Master test case manager
STAND	program-name	Stand-alone programs
STCC	tccd	Test case controller daemon
STCM	test-case-name	Slave test case manager
SYNCD	tetsyncd	Synchronisation daemon
XRESD	tetxresd	Execution results daemon

F.3 Process states

The client and server interface code in Distributed TETware maintains a process state for each connection to another process. The meanings of many of the states depend on whether the connected process is a client or a server.

The following table lists TETware process states and their meanings:

Process	Connected to	Connected process state	Description
all clients	any server	CONNECT	Connecting to server
all clients	any server	DEAD	Server connection has closed
all servers	any client	DEAD	Client has disconnected
all clients	any server	IDLE	Awaiting reply from server
all servers	any client	IDLE	Awaiting request from client
all clients	any server	PROCESS	Performing normal processing
all servers	any client	PROCESS	Processing a request from client
all processes	any process	RCVMSG	Receiving a message
all processes	any process	SNDMSG	Sending a message
tetsyncd	any client	WAITSYNC	Waiting for a sync event to complete

F.4 Server request codes

Each request sent by a client to a server process includes a request code. Some requests are implemented in all TETware servers, whereas others are specific to a particular server.

The following table lists TETware server request codes and their meanings:

Request code	Processed by	Description
OP_ACCESS	tccd	Check accessibility of a file
OP_ASYNC	tetsyncd	Auto sync request
OP_CFNAME	tccd	Register configuration file name
OP_CHDIR	tccd	Change directory
OP_CODESF	tetxresd	Send results code file name
OP_CONFIG	tccd	Assign configuration variables
OP_EXEC	tccd	Execute a process
OP_FCLOSE	tccd, tetxresd	Close a text file
OP_FOPEN	tccd, tetxresd	Open a text file
OP_GETS	tetxresd	Read strings from a text file
OP_ICEND	tetxresd	Signal IC end
OP_ICSTART	tetxresd	Signal IC start
OP_KILL	tccd	Send signal to process
OP_LOCKFILE	tccd	Create a lock file
OP_LOGOFF	all servers	Log off server
OP_LOGON	all servers	Log on to server
OP_MKALLDIRS	tccd	Make directories recursively
OP_MKDIR	tccd	Make a directory
OP_MKSDIR	tccd	Make save files directory
OP_MKTMPDIR	tccd	Make a temporary subdirectory
OP_NULL	all servers	Discard data successfully
OP_PUTENV	tccd	Put strings in the environment
OP_PUTS	tccd	Write strings to a text file
OP_RCFNAME	tetxresd	Return configuration file name
OP_RCOPY	tccd	Copy save files locally
OP_RCVCONF	tccd	Receive configuration information
OP_RESULT	tetxresd	Send a test purpose result
OP_RMALLDIRS	tccd	Remove directories recursively
OP_RMDIR	tccd	Remove a directory
OP_RXFILE	tccd	Remote file transfer
OP_SETCONF	tccd	Set configuration mode
OP_SHARELOCK	tccd	Create a shared lock
OP_SNDCONF	tccd	Send configuration information
OP_SNGET	tetsyncd	Get sync ID for an auto sync session
OP_SNRM	tetsyncd	Remove an auto sync session
OP_SNSYS	tetsyncd	Send auto sync system name list
OP_SYSID	tccd	Assign system ID
OP_SYSNAME	tccd	Send system name list
OP_TFCLOSE	tetxresd	Close a transfer file
OP_TFOPEN	tetxresd	Open a transfer file
OP_TFWRITE	tetxresd	Write to a transfer file
OP_TIME	tccd	Return the system time

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Request code	Processed by	Description
OP_TPEND	tetxresd	Signal TP end
OP_TPSTART	tetxresd	Signal TP start
OP_TRACE	all servers	Send trace flags
OP_TSFILES	tccd	Transfer save files
OP_TSINFO	tccd	Send transport-specific information
OP_UNLINK	tccd	Unlink a file
OP_USYNC	tetsyncd	User sync request
OP_WAIT	tccd	Wait for a process
OP_XRES	tetxresd	Write data to an execution results file
OP_XRCLOSE	tetxresd	Close an execution results file
OP_XROPEN	tetxresd	Open an execution results file and
		return an xres ID
OP_XRSEND	tetxresd	Associate xres ID with this logon
OP_XRSYS	tetxresd	Send system name list

F.5 Server reply codes

Each reply sent by a server to a client process includes a reply code. This code indicates whether or not the corresponding request was successful.

A list of server reply codes and their meanings is presented in the appendix entitled "Server reply codes" elsewhere in this guide.

F.6 Sync states

tetsyncd maintains a set of sync states for each sync event. One state in this set is maintained for each system that is expected to participate in the event.

A list of sync states and their meanings is presented in the chapter entitled "Test case synchronisation" elsewhere in this guide.

F.7 Execution result states

tetxresd maintains a set of process states for each execution results file. One state in this set is maintained for each system that is expected to contribute to the consolidated result of a distributed test purpose.

The following table lists execution results states and their meanings:

Execution results state	Description
DEAD	The TCM on this system has disconnected from tetxresd
NOTREPORTED	The system has not submitted a result for the current test purpose
REPORTED	The system has submitted a result for the current test purpose

G. Trace and debugging facilities

G.1 Introduction

Each TETware program contains certain facilities which may be used by an experienced software engineer to trace its operation and for debugging purposes.

When tracing facilities are enabled, messages describing the processing being undertaken are printed to the standard error stream. Although an explanation of the meanings of these messages is beyond the scope of a User Guide, the information in this appendix is presented in the belief that it may be of some use to experienced TETware users.

G.2 Caveats

Trace messages are intended to be interpreted by an experienced software engineer who is familiar with the internal operation of TETware processes. In most cases, they need to be interpreted in conjunction with the TETware source code.

Some of the tracing facilities generate huge volumes of output, so you should ensure that you are prepared to handle the output before you enable tracing. In most cases, it is best to enable only those messages that you actually need to diagnose a particular problem. Whenever possible, you should invoke tracing while processing only a small scenario containing a few simple test purposes, rather than attempting to trace the processing of a fully-featured test suite.

G.3 Description

In each TETware process there are several trace flags that can be used to control the emission of debug output. Each trace flag has a value associated with it; generally speaking, the higher the value, the greater the volume of output produced.

The following table lists these flags and the trace message types controlled by them. The flags marked with a † are not present in TETware-Lite.

Trace flag name	Trace message type
tet_Tbuf	memory allocation
tet_Texec	operation of the tcc execution engine
tet_Tio†	message i/o operations
tet_Tloop†	start and end of the client and server loops
tet_Tscen	operation of the tcc scenario parser
tet_Tserv†	generic server operation
tet_Tsyncd†	tetsyncd functions
tet_Ttcc	miscellaneous tcc functions
tet_Ttccd†	teed functions
tet_Ttcm	TCM functions
tet_Ttrace	trace subsystem operation
tet_Txresd†	tetxresd functions

In addition, when the tet_Ttrace flag has a non-zero value, a time-stamp is included in each message generated by the trace subsystem.

Trace flags can be set from the command line (for tcc, tccd, tetsyncd, tetxresd and stand-alone programs) and can also be passed to servers in an OP_TRACE message. TCM

processes may receive trace flags from tcc and tccd in the TET_TIARGS environment variable.

At present, trace flags are propagated as follows:

- tcc passes trace flags to tetsyncd and tetxresd on the command line, to tccd in an OP_TRACE message, and to TCM processes in TET_TIARGS.
- tccd passes trace flags to TCM processes in TET_TIARGS.
- TCM processes pass trace flags to tccd in an OP_TRACE message.
- On a Windows NT system, tccdstart passes trace flags to tccd on the command line.

Each process maintains two copies of each trace flag; one (the global value) is passed to other processes as required, while the other (the local value) is made available in the flag variables described above. It is therefore the local value that controls the emission of debug information.

Each global value has a set of bits associated with it which determines to which other processes it will be propagated. If a process receives a trace flag (together with its associated set of bits) and one of the bits matches the process type of the receiving process, then the process copies the global value into its local value.

When a trace flag appears on the command line, its format is as follows:

```
command -T[X...,]yn ...
```

More that one -T option may appear on a command line. The meanings of -T suboptions are as follows:

X..., This part is optional but, if it appears, it is a comma-terminated process indicator list indicating to which process the flag should be propagated.

The following process indicators are understood:

- M tcc
- S tccd
- C master TCM/API²⁰
- D slave TCM/API²¹
- X tetxresd
- Y tetsyncd
- T stand-alone programs²²

^{20.} A TCM is a **master** TCM if it is either managing a non-distributed test case or managing the part of a distributed test case that is running on the first (or only) system that is specified in the test case's system list.

^{21.} A TCM is a **slave** TCM if it is managing part of a distributed test case that is running on the second or subsequent system that is specified in the test case's system list.

^{22.} For the purposes of this description a stand-alone program is one that is not one of the components of the TETware architecture. For example, the TCC daemon bootstrap program (tccdstart) which is used on the Windows NT system comes into this category.

y Indicates which trace flag should be set. This is a single trace flag indicator, or all to indicate that all flags should be set.

The following trace flag indicators are understood:

```
tet_Tbuf
b
С
   tet_Ttcm
   tet_Tserv
е
   tet_Texec
g
   tet_Tio
i
1
   tet_Tloop
   tet_Ttcc
m
   tet_Tscen
р
   tet_Ttccd
   tet_Ttrace
t
   tet_Txresd
   tet_Tsyncd
```

n The value to which the flag should be set. If no value is specified, it defaults to 0.

Function tracing is performed by calls to the TRACEn(), TDUMP() and BUFCHK() macros.

G.4 Examples

Here are some examples of how the user can set trace flags from the tcc command line:

tcc	-Tp4	Trace certain operations that are performed by tcc's scenario parser by setting the tet_Tscen flag to 4.
tcc	-TS,s4	Set the global tet_Ttccd flag to 4 and pass it to $tccd$, which copies the global flag to its local flag.
tcc	-TXY,i6	Set the global tet_Tio flag to 6 and pass it to tetsyncd and tetxresd, each of which copy it to their local flag.
tcc	-Ts2	Set both the local and global tet_Tserv flags to 2; the global flag is passed to all processes, each of which copies it to its local flag.
tcc	-Tall10	Set both the global and local versions of each flag to 10. Each global flag is passed to all processes, each of which copies it to its local flag.

Trace options may also be passed on the command line when tccd is started on a particular system; however, when this is done, trace flags are only propagated to processes that are started by tccd on that system.

On a Windows NT system, trace options may be specified for tccd by including them on the tccdstart command line.

H. Implementation notes for TETware on Win32 systems

H.1 Introduction

TETware has been implemented on the Windows NT and Windows 95 operating systems, as well as on the UNIX systems on which previous TET versions have been implemented. In this appendix and throughout this document, the Windows NT and Windows 95 operating systems are referred to collectively as **Win32 systems**. The individual system names are only used when it is necessary to distinguish between them.

This appendix contains details of some features which are specific to the Win32 implementation of TETware and discusses some of the ways in which the implementation of TETware for Win32 differs from the UNIX implementation.

H.2 Supported TETware versions

TETware-Lite is supported on both Windows NT and Windows 95. Distributed TETware is supported only on Windows NT.

H.3 File naming conventions

H.3.1 Directory separator character

On a UNIX system, the / character is used as the directory separator character whereas, on a Win32 system, either the / or the \ character may be used as the directory separator character.

While TETware will interpret file names correctly which use either character, it is recommended that you only use / as a directory separator character. This is particularly important when specifying a file name in a configuration file on a Win32 system which might be interpreted on a UNIX system when a remote or distributed test case is to be processed.

H.3.2 Full path names

When you specify a full path name on a Win32 system, you can specify it either as /path/file or as x : /path/file.

If you do not include a drive specifier²³ in the path name, the current (or **default**) drive will be used. This will work as expected provided you do not specify file names on more than one drive in connection with a particular test suite. If you specify file names on more than one drive in connection with a particular test suite, all full path names specified for that test suite must include a drive specifier.

^{23.} That is: the initial x: sequence.

H.3.3 Relative path names

When you specify a relative path name on a Win32 system, you can specify it either as path / file or as x : path / file.

You should not specify a relative path name that includes a drive specifier, since unpredictable results can occur when a TETware process attempts to use such a path name after changing its current working directory. For the same reason you should not specify a simple file name as x: file.

H.3.4 Test case names

The format of a test case name in a scenario file is defined by the syntax of the scenario language. This syntax is not modified by the file naming conventions of the host operating system.

Thus a / must always be used as the directory separator character when a test case name appears in a scenario file. \ is not accepted as a directory separator character in a test case name on Win32 systems.

H.4 Executable files

On a Win32 system the execute bit in a file's permission is not significant when determining whether or not a file is executable. Instead the system determines how to execute a file from the file name suffix. The spawn and exec family of routines in the Microsoft C runtime support library understand certain suffixes as indicating executable files and will invoke the appropriate command interpreter when called upon to execute a .cmd or a .bat file.

In addition to the suffixes recognised by the C runtime support library, the TETware test case and tool execution subsystem recognises a file with a .ksh suffix as a Korn Shell script and a file with a .pl suffix as a Perl script. The execution subsystem will invoke sh.exe or perl.exe as appropriate when called upon to execute one of these files. These interpreters are located using the PATH environment variable, so script execution will be unsuccessful if the search path does not include the location of the interpreter that is required to execute the script.

The way in which file names are interpreted on a Win32 system affects the way in which you should specify a test case name in a scenario file, or a tool name using one of the tool-specific configuration variables, as follows:

- To specify a test case or tool which is a .com, .exe, .cmd or .bat file, you may either include or exclude the file's suffix.
- When you specify a Shell (xpg3sh) or Korn Shell (ksh) API test case to be executed, you must either arrange for the file name to have a .ksh suffix or set the TET_EXEC_TOOL configuration variable to sh.
- Likewise, the file name of a Perl test case must either have a .pl suffix or you must set the TET_EXEC_TOOL configuration variable to perl.
- If you specify a test case without a suffix in a scenario file and you use a command such as make to build and/or clean the test case, you must arrange for the build and clean tools to

^{24.} Note that the second form does not have a / character after the drive specifier.

append the correct suffix to the test case name before passing it to the make command.

• If you specify a tool which is a shell script, you may either name it with a .ksh suffix, or you may specify sh as the tool and the script as the tool's instruction file. For example, if you specify a build tool which is a shell script, you can make one of the following assignments; either:

```
TET_BUILD_TOOL=mybuildtool.ksh

or:

TET_BUILD_TOOL=sh

TET_BUILD_FILE=mybuildtool
```

When the name of the build tool does not contain a directory separator character, TETware locates the build tool using the PATH environment variable. When a build file is specified, it should either be specified relative to the test case source directory or should be specified as an absolute path name, so as to enable it to be accessed when the build tool is executed.

The same considerations apply to the way in which you make assignments to the clean tool and its optional instruction file, and the optional prebuild, build fail and exec tools and their optional instruction files when any of these tools are shell scripts.

• Likewise, if you specify a tool which is a Perl script, you may either name it with a .pl suffix or you may specify perl as the tool and the script as the tool's instruction file.

Whether or not you decide to specify suffixes or use tools to add them depends on the type of testing that you want to perform. Some issues to consider are as follows:

- If you are developing tests which will only run on Win32 systems, it is probably most simple to use suffixes throughout.
- If you are porting tests from a UNIX system to a Win32 system and need to maintain a common source base, it is probably best not to use suffixes. Instead you should use a build or clean tool to append a suitable suffix to the test case name at the start of processing, and an exec tool to perform the correct type of test case execution. Note that this will require some care if you are processing a scenario which contains a combination of executable and interpreted test cases.
- If you are processing remote or distributed test cases on a combination of UNIX and Win32 systems, you must either arrange for the names of the test cases to be the same on all systems or use tools to perform the required name translations on Win32 systems.

An example of a possible solution to this problem is contained in the Distributed C API demonstration test suite, which is included with the TETware distribution.

It should be noted that the #! convention that may be used to select the interpreter for script files on many UNIX systems is not understood by the C runtime support library on a Win32 system. It is particularly important to remember this point when porting a TETware test suite from a UNIX system to a Win32 system.

H.5 Application types

Each TETware program which runs on a Win32 system is compiled as a console application. Test cases compiled as Win32 GUI applications are not supported by TETware.

H.6 Signal handling

H.6.1 Keyboard signals

On a UNIX system it is possible to instruct tcc to abort a test case or a test run by generating an interrupt or a quit signal from the keyboard. On a Win32 system these instructions may be sent from the keyboard to tcc by using control-C and control-BREAK. These keystrokes are mapped by the C runtime support library on to SIGINT and SIGBREAK signals, respectively, which cause the appropriate action to be taken when caught by tcc.

It should be noted that the Microsoft documentation for the signal() function states that SIGINT is not supported for any Win32 application which runs on Windows 95 or Windows NT. It would appear that the same caveat applies to SIGBREAK as well. Therefore the reliable operation of these functions cannot be guaranteed and it is possible that unpredictable behaviour may occur when a test case or test run is interrupted by control-C or control-BREAK.

H.6.2 TCM signal trapping

The C, C++ and Perl TCMs do not attempt to trap unexpected signals on Win32 systems.

H.7 Context numbers

H.7.1 Introduction

When a Test Case Information line is printed in the journal, one of the subfields in the second field contains a context number. The TET specification requires this context number to be unique during the lifetime of each test purpose. Traditionally the context number has been derived from the process ID of each process which make up a test purpose.

It is possible for a test purpose to launch one or more child processes and the purpose of the context number is to distinguish between journal output generated by the different processes. In particular, the context number is used when tcc reorders the journal lines at the end of each test case invocation.

When a C language test purpose generates a child process on a UNIX system (whether by calling tet_fork() or tet_spawn()), the API calls tet_setcontext() in order to set the context number in the child process to the new process ID.

H.7.2 Generating unique context numbers

The use of the process ID to generate a context number in a child process poses a problem on Win32 systems.

Process numbers are allocated rather more frequently on Win32 systems than they are on UNIX systems. Indeed, it is quite possible for the operating system to re-allocate a process ID as soon as the previous process which used the ID has terminated. So, if a test purpose spawns a child process, waits for the process to terminate and then spawns another child process, it is likely that the two child processes will be allocated the same process ID. When this occurs it is impossible to use a context number based on process ID to distinguish between the journal outputs that have

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been generated by the two child processes.

In order to overcome this problem, the Win32 version of the child process controller does not make a call to tet_setcontext() but instead generates a context number that is based on the system time (in 100ths of a second) as well as on the process ID. The algorithm used makes it very unlikely that two child processes will use the same context number, although that possibility cannot be ruled out completely. In any event, the context number in the child process is guaranteed to be different from the context number in the parent process.

H.7.3 Number of digits in a context number

On many UNIX systems, a process ID can be expressed in five digits. Indeed, the API ensures that the context number contains at least five digits of process ID. However, on a Windows 95 system the process ID is actually an address in high memory, so it is likely that more than five digits will be required to express this quantity.

The TET specification states that a numeric field in a journal file may contain up to ten digits. When a context number is generated by the C API, the first three digits contain the system ID of the originating system and the remaining digits contain the process ID (or, in the case of a child process on a Win32 system, the value calculated as described previously). On a Win32 system the API truncates the process ID part of the context number to seven digits in order to ensure that the maximum number of digits allowed by the specification is not exceeded.

Report writer authors are reminded that they should allow for the possibility that the context number read from the journal on a Win32 system might contain more digits than the five or eight that have traditionally been generated by TET implementations running on UNIX systems.

H.7.4 Saved files processing

When you use the TET_SAVE_FILES configuration variable to specify files and/or directories to be saved after tcc processes a test case in execute mode and TET_TRANSFER_SAVE_FILES is true, tcc arranges for the files to be transferred to the local system and saved there. If either the source or the destination system is a Win32 system, files are transferred using ASCII file transfer mode.

H.8 Test case termination

When tcc needs to terminate the execution of a test case or tool, it does so by means of a call to the TerminateProcess() function which is part of the Win32 API. This function is also called by the tet_kill() and tet_remkill() API functions to terminate a process which is running on a Win32 system.

However, it is understood that the operation of TerminateProcess() can be unpredictable and may leave the system in a strange state, possibly causing the system to malfunction at some later time. Therefore, test case authors are discouraged from using tet_kill() and tet_remkill() to terminate a process which is running on a Win32 system. For the same reason the use of a timeout specified by tcc -t to force termination of a test case or tool is discouraged.

H.9 API considerations

H.9.1 Unimplemented interfaces

Some of the interfaces in the C and C++ APIs are not implemented on Win32 systems. Details are presented under the "Portability" heading in the descriptions of each of the API functions in the TETware Programmers Guide.

In particular, tet_fork() is not implemented on Win32 systems. This is because the Microsoft C runtime support library does not provide the fork() function that is required for the implementation of tet_fork(). Therefore, when porting a test case which uses tet_fork() from a UNIX system to a Win32 system, it is necessary to re-design the test case to use tet_spawn() and tet_wait() instead.

H.9.2 Use of the DLL version of the C runtime support library

You should link a test case with the thread-safe versions of the TETware C TCM and C API library if any of the following are true:

- you link the test case with the DLL, multi-threaded C runtime support library;
- you link the test case with any other library (either static or DLL) that has been built to use the DLL, multi-threaded C runtime support library.

You should do this even if you do not intend to use threads in your test case.

This is because:

- The standard TCM/API uses the static, single-threaded C runtime support library.
- The thread-safe TCM/API uses the DLL, multi-threaded C runtime support library.
- It is unwise to mix static and DLL versions of the same library in a single process.

The same considerations apply if you are using the TETware C++ TCM/API.

Note that the use of the static multi-threaded C runtime support library is not supported in TETware.

H.10 The test case controller tcc

H.10.1 Test case interruption

The use of keyboard signals to abort a test case or test case run can give rise to unpredictable results on a Win32 system. See the section entitled "Keyboard signals" elsewhere in this appendix.

H.10.2 Test case timeouts

The operation of tcc -t can give rise to unpredictable results on a Win32 system. See the section entitled "Test case termination" elsewhere in this appendix.

H.10.3 Writing the journal to a command pipeline

On a UNIX system it is possible to instruct tcc to open a pipe to a shell command and write the journal to that. For example:

```
tcc -j "| shell-command" ...
```

On a Win32 system the *shell-command* is executed by a call to _popen() in the Microsoft C runtime support library. This function invokes the Win32 command interpreter to execute the command — usually cmd.exe. Therefore the syntax of *shell-command* must be acceptable to the command interpreter that is invoked by the underlying _popen() call.

The *shell-command* should ignore the SIGINT and SIGBREAK signals. Otherwise, if a keyboard signal is used to interrupt tcc, the signal will also terminate the *shell-command* and the journal will be lost.

For details of some other issues that relate to keyboard signals and test case interruption, see the section entitled "Keyboard signals" elsewhere in this appendix.

H.11 The TCC daemon tccd

H.11.1 Starting tccd

It is not possible to start tccd directly from the command line on a Windows NT system. Instead, tccd must be started on demand by a bootstrap program called tccdstart.

H.11.2 User ID

tccd always runs with the user ID of the user who invokes the tccdstart bootstrap program. The default user ID of tet and the ability to change this using the -u command-line option are not supported on a Windows NT system.

H.11.3 File creation mask setting

The -m command-line option is not supported on a Windows NT system.

H.12 The TCC daemon bootstrap program tccdstart

On a Windows NT system, tccd is started on demand by a bootstrap program called tccdstart. This program listens for service requests at the port indicated in the **tcc** service specification and starts an instance of tccd each time that a connection is received. The PATH environment variable is used to locate tccd so you should ensure that your search PATH includes \$TET_ROOT/bin.

You can use certain command-line options to modify the behaviour of tccdstart and the instances of tccd that are launched as connections are received. Refer to the tccdstart manual page at the back of this guide for details of the syntax for this command.

You should invoke tccdstart once on each Windows NT system on which Distributed TETware is installed, in a new Korn Shell window. When invoked, tccdstart prints a message on the standard output similar to the following:

```
tccdstart: 15 Oct 10:35:20: accepting connections
```

Each time a connection is received on the listen port, tccdstart prints a message similar to the following:

```
tccdstart: 15 Oct 10:35:23: connection received from hostname
```

To stop tccdstart you should type a control-C in the window in which tccdstart is running. When you do this, tccdstart prints a message similar to the following:

```
tccdstart: 15 Oct 10:37:40: going down on signal 2
```

For the reasons indicated in the section entitled "Keyboard signals" elsewhere in this appendix, it is possible for a race condition to occur in the Winsock library when tccdstart is interrupted by a control-C. When this occurs it is possible for the shutdown message to be accompanied by another error message related to the accept() function which can safely be ignored.

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I. Hints and tips for users of previous TET implementations

I.1 Introduction

The following sections contain information which may be helpful to users experienced with previous TET implementations but not yet familiar with TETware.

I.2 TETware for TET 1.10 and ETET users

- Two versions of TETware are available; namely, TETware-Lite and Distributed TETware.
 Of the two, TETware-Lite is the version which most closely resembles TET 1.10 and
 ETET.
- 2. The build and installation procedure is completely different for TETware. Be sure to follow the instructions contained in the TETware Installation Guide.
- 3. TET 1.10 test case binaries and associated scenario and configuration files may be run under the control of both TETware versions of tcc, (as non-distributed test cases) without modification.²⁵
- 4. ETET binaries and scenario files may be run under the control of both TETware versions of tcc, (as non-distributed test cases) without modification. It may be necessary to include an assignment for the TET_COMPAT variable in each mode-specific configuration file²⁶ in order to cause certain ETET-specific syntax in a scenario file to be interpreted correctly.
- 5. TET users will benefit from additional scenario directives which are provided to support repeated and parallel test case execution. Both TET and ETET users will benefit from additional directives which are provided to support processing of distributed and non-distributed test cases on remote systems when Distributed TETware is used.
- 6. TET users will benefit from additional configuration variables which provide better control over the way in which tcc interacts with test cases and tools.
- 7. The C and C++ APIs in Distributed TETware provide additional functions to allow synchronisation between parts of a distributed test case, supply information about local and remote system designations and control execution of processes on remote systems.
- 8. In Distributed TETware there is an additional configuration file tetdist.cfg which must be supplied on the local system when remote or distributed testing is to be performed.
- 9. Test cases built using the C and C++ APIs in Distributed TETware must be run under control of the Distributed version of tcc. They cannot be run stand-alone or under the control of the TETware-Lite tcc. However, test cases built using the C and C++ APIs in TETware-Lite may be run either stand-alone or under the control of either type of tcc.

^{25.} However, you should be aware of the disposition of uncaptured test case and tool output when Distributed TETware is used; this is described in a subsequent note.

^{26.} These files are: the build mode, execute mode and clean mode configuration files.

- 10. There is no support for distributed testing when the Shell, Korn Shell or Perl APIs are used. However, (non-distributed) test cases which use these APIs may be run stand-alone or under control of either type of tcc. In addition, such test cases can be run on remote systems under control of the Distributed tcc.
- 11. When a test case is built using the C and C++ APIs in Distributed TETware, it is best not to call exit() directly. Instead, each API provides a function tet_exit() which has the same effect; for details, refer to the section entitled "Executed process functions" in the TETware Programmers Guide. In TETware-Lite a call to tet_exit() is functionally equivalent to calling exit().
- 12. When TETware-Lite is used, uncaptured test case or tool output appears on the terminal where tcc is invoked, as is the case in TET 1.10 and ETET. However, when Distributed TETware is used, test cases and tools on all systems run detached from the terminal where tcc is invoked. Instead, uncaptured output appears in the tccd log file on each system where test cases are processed.
- 13. Since TETware is intended to be used as a replacement for other TET versions, TETware should not be installed with the same value of *tet-root* as that used by an existing TET or ETET distribution; otherwise, some existing files will be overwritten.

I.3 TETware for dTET2 users

- 1. Two versions of TETware are available; namely, TETware-Lite and Distributed TETware. Of the two, Distributed TETware is the version which most closely resembles dTET2.
- 2. The build and installation procedure for TETware is similar to that used in dTET2. However, the make definition file defines.mk is located directly below *tet-root/src* rather than at a lower level directory as was previously the case, and the configuration script dtetcfg has been renamed tetconfig and moved to *tet-root/src*.
- 3. The distinction between master and slave systems has (for the most part) gone. Instead, a system is identified either as the local system (that is, the system on which tcc is run), or as a remote system.
- 4. When Distributed TETware is used, tccd must always be run on the local system (as well as on any remote systems) when a scenario contains test cases or test case parts which are to be processed on the local system. Since TETware-Lite cannot process remote or distributed test cases, tccd is not required when TETware-Lite is used.
- 5. It may be necessary to include an assignment for the TET_COMPAT variable in each mode-specific configuration file²⁷ in order to cause certain dTET2-specific syntax in a scenario file to be interpreted correctly.
- The distributed scenario directive enables a distributed test case to be run entirely on remote systems.
- 7. The API functions tet_sync() and tet_msync() have been replaced by a new function called tet_remsync().²⁸ This function provides the test suite author access to

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^{27.} These files are: the build mode, execute mode and clean mode configuration files.

^{28.} Although tet_sync() and tet_msync() will continue to be supported so as to provide backwards compatibility with existing dTET2 test suites, these interfaces are now marked "to be withdrawn" and test suite authors are encouraged to use tet_remsync() in new test cases.

- all the capabilities of the TETware synchronisation subsystem and is more suitable for use with the symmetrical system model implemented in TETware.
- 8. There are additional configuration variables which provide better control over the way in which tcc interacts with test cases and tools.
- 9. tccd on the local system receives all of tcc's environment variables soon after tcc logs on to it. Therefore, environment variables that are in force when tccd starts up (including variables specified with -e command-line options) may be overwritten by whatever variables happen to be present in the environment inherited by tcc.
- 10. The dTET2 trace subsystem is now used throughout TETware instead of just in the client/server code.
- 11. Since TETware is intended to be used as a replacement for other TET versions, TETware should not be installed with the same value of *tet-root* as that used by an existing dTET2 distribution; otherwise, some existing files will be overwritten.

J. TETware manual pages

This appendix contains manual pages for TETware programs.

tcc(1)

NAME

tcc - TETware test case controller

SYNOPSIS

```
tcc –{bec} [options] [test-suite [scenario]]
```

 $tcc - \{bec\} - \{m|r\} \ codelist \ [options] \ old-journal-file \ [test-suite \ [scenario]]$

tcc -V

DESCRIPTION

tcc is the TETware test case controller. It provides support for the building, execution and clean-up of test scenarios.

When TETware-Lite is built, scenarios may only contain test cases which are to be executed on the local system and **tcc** performs all the actions required to process such test cases itself. When Distributed TETware is built, scenarios can contain local, remote and distributed test cases. The distributed version of **tcc** does not perform the actions required to process test cases itself but instead sends requests to the test case controller daemon **tccd** which runs on the local system and also on each participating remote system (see the **tccd**(1) manual page for details).

Apart from the scenario directives which relate to the processing of remote and distributed test cases, the user interface to **tcc** is the same irrespective of whether TETware-Lite or Distributed TETware is being used.

When **tcc** is invoked with the **-V** option, all other command-line arguments are ignored. **tcc** does not process test cases but instead prints version information on the standard error stream and exits.

tcc has three modes of operation, namely **build**, **execute** and **clean**, which may be invoked singly or in any combination. These modes are specified by the $-\mathbf{b}$, $-\mathbf{e}$ and $-\mathbf{c}$ command-line options, at least one of which must appear. The other options modify the behaviour of **tcc** in one or more of these operational modes. Each mode (with optionally modified behaviour) is applied to the test cases and invocable components selected for processing.

By default, **tcc** builds, executes or cleans test cases in the named *scenario* contained in the scenario file **tet_scen**, which is located in the test suite root directory for *test-suite* (see DIRECTORIES below). If no *scenario* is specified, the default scenario named **all** is used. If no *test-suite* is specified, **tcc** attempts to deduce a default test suite name using the following rules:

- 1. If the TET_SUITE_ROOT environment variable is set and the current directory lies under the directory hierarchy specified by this variable, then the test suite is the component of the current directory's path name which lies immediately below \$TET_SUITE_ROOT. For example, if \$TET_SUITE_ROOT is /usr/tet3 and the current directory is /usr/tet3/suite1/results, then the name of the default test suite is suite1.
- 2. If the **TET_SUITE_ROOT** environment variable is not set and the current directory lies under the directory hierarchy specified by the **TET_ROOT** environment variable, then the test suite is the component of the current directory's path name which lies immediately below **\$TET_ROOT**.

3. If the current directory lies outside of the directory hierarchy specified by the **TET_SUITE_ROOT** environment variable (if set) or the **TET_ROOT** environment variable (if **TET_SUITE_ROOT** is not set), then no default test suite name can be deduced.

DIRECTORIES

By default, **tcc** interprets test case names relative to the **test suite root** directory. The location of this directory is determined as follows on the local system:

- 1. If the **TET_SUITE_ROOT** environment variable is set, the **test suite root** directory is determined by the test suite name, relative to **\$TET_SUITE_ROOT**.
- 2. If the **TET_SUITE_ROOT** environment variable is not set, the **test suite root** directory is determined by the test suite name, relative to **\$TET_ROOT**.
- 3. If the **TET_RUN** environment variable is set, then the directory subtree below the **test suite root** (determined as described above) is copied to the location below **\$TET_RUN** and this location becomes the new **test suite root** directory.

However, an alternate execution directory on the local system may be specified by the **TET_EXECUTE** environment variable or by a command-line option (see OPTIONS below). If an alternate execution directory is specified, **tcc** interprets test case names relative to this directory when operating in execute mode.

By default, **tcc** creates a directory called **tet_tmp_dir** below the test suite root directory. However, a different temporary directory name on the local system may be specified by the **TET_TMP_DIR** environment variable. Each invocation of **tcc** creates a unique subdirectory below the temporary directory on startup and removes it and its contents on normal completion.

By default, **tcc** creates a sequentially numbered directory below a directory called **results** in the test suite root directory for the named *test-suite* on the local system, and places the journal file and saved intermediate result files there. In Distributed TETware, this directory is also created on each remote system. This directory is known as the **results** directory or **saved files** directory.

CONFIGURATION FILES

During execution, **tcc** reads configuration variables from certain configuration files on both the local and the remote systems (if any). By default, the name of the build mode configuration file is **tetbuild.cfg**, that of the execute mode configuration file is **tetexec.cfg** and that of the clean mode configuration file is **tetclean.cfg**. The build and clean mode configuration files reside in the test suite root directory on each system. The execute mode configuration file resides in the alternate execution directory if one has been specified, otherwise in the test suite root directory.

The Distributed version of **tcc** reads distributed configuration variables are read from the file named **tetdist.cfg** in the test suite root directory on the local system. This file must at least contain definitions for the **tet root** and test suite root directories for any remote systems that are specified in the scenario being processed.

JOURNAL FILE

By default, **tcc** writes the journal to a file named **journal** in the results directory on the local system. On startup, **tcc** writes the name of the journal file being used to the standard output.

RESULT CODES

tcc uses a table of result codes to interpret the results generated by API-conforming test cases. A default table containing standard codes is built in to tcc. It is possible to specify additional codes in user-supplied result codes files located below the tet root and test suite root directories on the local system. These files are optional but, if they exist, the codes specified in them are added to the table of standard codes. The default name for each of these files is tet_code but this name can be changed by means of the TET_RESCODES_FILE configuration variable.

SAVED FILES PROCESSING

tcc can be instructed to save certain files and/or directories that may be created during test case execution. The files to be saved are specified by the TET_SAVE_FILES variable in the execute mode configuration. When a file is to be saved, **tcc** copies it to a path name below the saved files directory that is the same as the original file's path name relative to the test case execution directory.

In Distributed TETware, a file selected by TET_SAVE_FILES may be saved either on the system on which it is created (local or remote), or on the local system. If the TET_TRANSFER_SAVE_FILES variable in the execute mode configuration is false, the file is saved on the system on which it is created as described previously. Otherwise, if TET_TRANSFER_SAVE_FILES is true, the file created on system *nnn* is transferred to the local system and saved below a directory named **REMOTE***nnn* in the saved files directory.

OPTIONS

The following options alter the default behaviour described above:

-a directory

Use *directory* as the alternate execution directory instead of the one specified by the **TET_EXECUTE** environment variable (if any). In Distributed TETware this option only specifies the location of the alternate execution directory on the local system.

- **-f** *file* Use *file* as the clean mode configuration file instead of the default. In Distributed TETware this option only specifies the location of the clean mode configuration file on the local system.
- -g file Use file as the build mode configuration file instead of the default. In Distributed TETware this option only specifies the location of the build mode configuration file on the local system.
- -I Enable interactive journal trace. Journal lines which indicate the start and end of processing of each test case in each of the chosen modes of operation are written to the standard error stream as well as being written to the journal file.

-i directory

Place the default journal file and saved intermediate results files in *directory* instead of in the default location. In Distributed TETware this option only specifies the location of the results directory on the local system.

- -j file Use file as the journal file instead of the default.
- -j Write the journal to the standard output instead of to the default. Note that tcc may write informational messages to the standard output as well. In addition, output from test cases and tools may appear on tcc's standard output when TETware-Lite is built. So a process that reads journal lines from tcc's standard output when this option is used should allow for the possibility that not all the lines that it reads will be in journal format. Users should be aware of the possibility of losing some or all of the journal if a process that reads tcc's standard output terminates prematurely.

-j |shell-command

Open a pipe to *shell-command* and write the journal to that, instead of to the default. Users should be aware of the possibility of losing some or all of the journal if *shell-command* terminates prematurely. On a Win32 system, *shell-command* should ignore keyboard signals (see KEYBOARD SIGNALS below).

-l scenario-line

Process *scenario-line* as if it appeared in a scenario file below a scenario named **all**. More than one **–l** option may be specified; the *scenario-lines* are processed in the order in which they appear on the command line. *scenario-line* must be presented as a single argument so it must be quoted if it contains embedded spaces. If a scenario file is specified by a **–s** option, any *scenario-lines* are processed before that scenario file is read. If no **–s** option is

specified, the default scenario file **tet_scen** is not read when **-l** is used.

-**n** string

Do not process test case names that contain *string*. More than one $-\mathbf{n}$ option may appear.

- -p Enable progress reporting. As each build, execute or clean operation is started, a line indicating the time, mode and scenario line being processed is printed on the standard output.
- -s file Use file as the scenario file instead of the default.
- -t timeout

Terminate the build, execute or clean of an individual test case if processing would continue for more than *timeout* seconds.

-v variable=value

The specified configuration *variable* is set to *value*, overriding any assignment in the configuration file for the current mode. It is probably best to surround *value* with single quotes if it contains characters which have special meaning to the Shell. More than one –**v** option may appear.

- -x file Use file as the execute mode configuration file instead of the default. In Distributed TETware this option only specifies the location of the execute mode configuration file on the local system.
- -y string

Only process test case names that contain *string*. More than one $-\mathbf{y}$ option may appear. The $-\mathbf{n}$ option has higher precedence than the $-\mathbf{y}$ option; thus, a test case is not processed if its name is matched by *strings* specified with both the $-\mathbf{n}$ and the $-\mathbf{y}$ options.

RERUN AND RESUME OPTIONS

The following options are mutually exclusive:

-m code-list

Causes **tcc** to resume the previous run of the specified *scenario* in the named *test-suite* whose results are in *old-journal-file*. *code-list* specifies the point in the previous run from which processing is to be resumed and may consist of a comma-separated list of result codes, or of one or more of the letters **b**, **e** and **c** to specify failures in particular processing modes. If *code-list* consists of result codes, then processing resumes at the first invocable component whose result in the previous run matched one of those in the list. If *code-list* specifies processing modes, then processing resumes at the first test case which failed to build or clean or the first invocable component which, when executed, did not report PASS in the previous run.

For example:

Resume building from the first test case that failed to build.

Resume execution from the first invocable component that reported FAIL or UNRESOLVED.

tcc -bec -m b.e

Resume building, execution and cleaning from the first test case which failed to build or from the first invocable component that did not report PASS.

-r code-list

Causes **tcc** to re-run individual test cases and invocable components from the specified *scenario* in the named *test-suite* whose results are in *old-journal-file*. *code-list* specifies the elements that are to be re-run and may consist of a comma-separated list of result codes, or of one or more of the letters **b**, **e** and **c** to specify failures in particular processing modes. If *code-list* consists of result codes, then test cases and invocable components are re-run if the corresponding result in the previous run matched one of the result codes in the list. If *code-list* specifies processing modes, then a test case is re-run if it failed to build or clean and an invocable component is re-run if it did not report PASS when it was executed in the previous run.

For example:

Re-build test cases that previously failed to build.

Re-execute all invocable components that previously reported FAIL or UNRESOLVED.

Re-build, execute and clean all test cases that previously failed to build or execute, and all invocable components that did not previously report PASS when executed.

KEYBOARD SIGNALS

When **tcc** catches a **SIGINT** signal it aborts processing of the current test case and steps on to the next test case (if there is one).

When **tcc** catches a **SIGQUIT** signal (on a UNIX system) or a **SIGBREAK** signal (on a Win32 system) it aborts processing of the current test case and exits.

If **tcc** is invoked with the $-\mathbf{j}$ | *shell-command* option on a Win32 system, keyboard signals should only be used to interrupt **tcc** if they are being ignored by *shell-command*. Otherwise the signal will also terminate the *shell-command* and some or all of the journal will be lost.

FILES

test-suite-root/tet_scen

Default scenario file. In Distributed TETware, only required on the local system.

test-suite-root/ tetbuild.cfg

Default build mode configuration file.

alt-exec-dir/tetexec.cfg

Optional default execute mode configuration file when an alternate execution directory has been specified.

test-suite-root/tetexec.cfg

Default execute mode configuration file when *alt-exec-dir*/tetexec.cfg does not exist or an alternate execution directory has not been specified.

test-suite-root/tetclean.cfg

Default clean mode configuration file.

test-suite-root/tetdist.cfg

The distributed configuration file. Not used by TETware-Lite. In Distributed TETware, only required on the local system.

\$TET_ROOT/tet_code

test-suite-root/tet_code

Default result code files. In Distributed TETware, only accessed on the local system.

$\textit{test-suite-root/} \textbf{tet_tmp_dir}$

Default temporary directory hierarchy.

test-suite-root/results/nnnn {bec}

Default results and saved files directory.

results-dir/REMOTEnnn

In Distributed TETware on the local system, the saved files directory for system nnn.

results-dir/journal

Default journal file. In Distributed TETware, only created on the local system.

SEE ALSO

"The Test Case Controller" in the TETware Programmers Guide.

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NAME

tccd - Distributed TETware test case controller daemon

SYNOPSIS

When the socket network interface is used:

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tccd [-e name=value] [-l logfile] [-m umask] [-p port] [-u user]
in.tccd [-e name=value] [-l logfile] [-m umask] [-u user]
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When the XTI network interface is used:

tccd -p addr [-M mode] [-P tpi] [-e name=value] [-I logfile] [-m umask] [-u user]

DESCRIPTION

tccd is the Distributed TETware Test Case Controller daemon. It is used by the Test Case Controller and by Test Case Managers to execute various functions on the local system, and also on remote systems that are participating in remote and distributed test cases.

When **tccd** starts up on a UNIX system, it attempts to change its user ID to that of the user **tet**, although failure to do this is only treated as fatal if **tccd** is invoked initially with administrative privilege (i.e., with a user or group ID of less than 100). **tccd** changes directory to the home directory specified for the user **tet** in the system password database and sets its **HOME** environment variable to refer to that directory.

When **tccd** starts up on a Windows NT system, it does not attempt to change its user ID and executes in the directory in which is is invoked. If there is no **HOME** variable in **tccd**'s environment on startup, **tccd** sets its **HOME** environment variable to refer to that directory.

When the socket network interface is used on a UNIX system, **tccd** listens for service requests at the port indicated in the **tcc** service specification; usually in the **/etc/services** file. When a connection request is received, **tccd** forks a copy of itself, allocates an ephemeral port for the connection and processes the request in the child process.

When **tccd** is invoked on a Windows NT system, it does not itself listen for service requests or accept connections. Instead this function is performed by the TCC daemon bootstrap program **tccdstart** (see the **tccdstart**(1) manual page for details).

The socket version of **tccd** refuses to process requests for service originating from systems other than those listed in the **systems.equiv** file.

When the XTI network interface is used on a UNIX system, **tccd** listens for service requests at the address specified by the **–p** command-line option. When a connection request is received, **tccd** forks a copy of itself, accepts the connection and processes the request in the child process. The XTI version of **tccd** only runs on UNIX systems and does not use the **systems.equiv** file to determine whether or not to accept connections.

By default, **tccd** writes diagnostic information to the file /**tmp/tccdlog** on a UNIX system, or to **c:/tmp/tccdlog** on a Windows NT system.

The following options are understood for all network interfaces:

−e name=value

Merge the environment variable assignment specified by *name=value* into the environment to be used by **tccd** and its children. More than one **–e** option may appear. Note that when the Test Case Controller logs on to **tccd** on the local system, it sends a copy of its environment to **tccd** after logging on. Thus it is possible for an environment variable assignment made with **–e** to be overwritten by an instruction from **tcc** when an instance of **tccd** runs with a system ID of zero.

- -l logfile Send diagnostic output to logfile instead of to the default. However, certain diagnostics may still appear in /tmp/tccdlog or c:/tmp/tccdlog if they are generated before logfile can be opened.
- -m umask Set the value of the file creation mask for tccd and its children to the (octal) value specified by umask instead of the default value of 022. Only the low 6 bits of the file creation mask can be set in this way. This option is not supported on a Windows NT system.
- -u user Run with the user ID for the named user instead of that specified for the user tet. Change directory to the home directory specified for user in the system password database. This option is not supported on a Windows NT system.

The following option is understood when the socket network interface is used on a UNIX system:

-p *port* Listen for service requests on the named *port* instead of the one indicated in the **tcc** service specification.

The following options are understood when the XTI network interface is used:

- -M mode Specifies the underlying transport provider to use. mode should be TCP to use XTI over TCP/IP (the default) or OSICO to use XTI over OSI connection-oriented transport. Each mode is only available if it was enabled by defining the corresponding symbol at the time tccd was built.
- **-P** *tpi* Use *tpi* as the transport provider identifier instead of the default /**dev/tcp**.
- -p addr Listen for incoming connections on the address specified by the XTI address string addr, which consists of a transport- and machine-dependent sequence of 2-digit hexadecimal values.

On a UNIX system, **tccd** is normally started at system boot time as a result of an entry in one of the **/etc/rc** files or, if it was compiled with the symbol INITTAB defined, from an entry in the file **/etc/inittab**. Either version of **tccd** may be started interactively from a Shell command line if so desired; however, the INITTAB version of **tccd** does not background itself and so should be put in the background by invoking it with &.

tccd cannot be started directly from the command line on a Windows NT system; instead, it must be started on demand by the TCC daemon bootstrap program **tccdstart** (see the **tccdstart**(1) manual page for details).

in.tccd is a version of **tccd** suitable for use on UNIX systems in conjunction with the **inetd** superserver and may be started on demand as a result of an entry in the file **/etc/inetd.conf**. **in.tccd** only works with the socket network interface and may not be started interactively from a Shell command line.

FILES

\$HOME/systems.equiv

List of hostnames of client systems permitted to use **tccd** when the socket network interface is used.

/tmp/tccdlog (UNIX) or c:/tmp/tccdlog (Windows NT)

Default diagnostic output file for tccd and its children.

/dev/console (UNIX) or con (Windows NT)

Used as a last resort to print diagnostics when the log file cannot be opened and the standard error stream is closed.

/dev/tcp Default transport provider identifier on a UNIX system when the XTI network interface is used

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NAME

tccdstart - tccd bootstrap program for Windows NT systems

SYNOPSIS

tccdstart [-e name=value] [-l logfile] [-p port]

DESCRIPTION

tccdstart is used to start instances of **tccd** on demand when Distributed TETware is installed on a Windows NT system.

tccdstart listens for service requests at the port indicated in the **tcc** service specification. When a connection request is received, **tccdstart** allocates an epherimal port for the connection and spawns an instance of **tccd**, passing the connected port to the new process. The **PATH** environment variable is used to locate **tccd** so it is necessary to include **\$TET_ROOT/bin** in this variable when **tccdstart** is to be invoked.

tccdstart does not run in the background. It should be invoked in its own console window.

The following options are understood:

- **−e** name=value
- -l logfile

These options and their arguments are passed to each invocation of **tccd**. See the **tccd**(1) manual page for details.

-p port Listen for service requests on the named port instead of the one indicated in the tcc service specification.

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NAME

systems – map logical system ID to system host name

DESCRIPTION

The file **\$TET_ROOT/systems** is used by Distributed TETware processes to determine how to connect to another TETware system. Information contained in this file may be accessed by test cases by means of the **tet_getsysbyid()** API function. This file is not used in TETware-Lite.

Each entry in the file consists of a number of fields. Fields are separated by white space. Blank lines and lines beginning with # are ignored by routines that search this file. The first field in each entry always specifies the logical system ID which is a number that is used to identify a TETware system. System ID 0 denotes the system on which **tcc** runs (the local system); other positive values denote remote systems.

A **systems** file should exist in the **\$TET_ROOT** directory on all the systems that are to run local, remote or distributed test case.

It is possible for several logical system IDs to refer to the same physical machine. Needless to say, chaos will break out if entries for the same logical system ID in **systems** files on different systems point to different physical machines.

When the socket network interface is used, each entry in the systems file contains fields as follows:

Logical system ID System host name tccd port number (optional)

The system host name may be either a host name that can be looked up in the host database, or an Internet address in dot notation. When an entry contains the optional port number field, TETware processes use the specified port number when connecting to **tccd** on the system specified by the host name field. If the port number field is omitted, processes use the well-known port number taken from the **tcc** service specification when connecting to **tccd** on the system specified by the host name field.

When the XTI network interface is used, each entry in the systems file contains fields as follows:

Logical system ID System host name XTI address string

At present, the contents of the system host name field is not used by XTI transport-specific routines. The XTI address string consists of a sequence of hexadecimal 2-digit values which define an address that may be used by the underlying transport provider. The contents of this field are transport provider-dependent, and may also depend on the network transport implementation, word size and byte order of the machine on which the file resides. Therefore, it is likely that the value of this field in an entry for a particular machine will be different on machines which have different architectures or network transport implementations.

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NAME

systems.equiv – permit or deny tccd access from remote systems

DESCRIPTION

The file **systems.equiv** is used by **tccd** to decide whether or not to accept service requests from remote systems.

When **tccd** is started on a UNIX system, it looks for the **systems.equiv** file in the home directory for the user **tet**, or in the home directory for the named user if **tccd** is invoked with the **-u** *user* option.

When **tccd** is started on a Windows NT system, it looks for the **systems.equiv** file in the directory specified by the value of the **HOME** environment variable or, if no **HOME** variable is present, in the current working directory.

Each line in the **systems.equiv** file consists of a single field that contains the host name of a system from which requests are to be accepted, or an Internet address in dot notation if there is no entry for the system in the hosts database. If the field contains a host name, it must be the primary host name for that system in the hosts database in order for requests to be accepted; host aliases or nicknames in the hosts database are not recognised if they appear in the **systems.equiv** file.

Blank lines and lines beginning with # are ignored by routines that search this file.

CAVEATS

The **systems.equiv** file is only consulted when the socket network interface is used. It has no effect when the XTI network interface is used.

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