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# **exabgpctl Documentation**

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exabgpctl is wrapper around [ExaBGP](#) function.

- Enable / Disable maintenance
- View processes and neighbours
- Check neighbours connectivity
- Check processes statuses

The latest stable version [is available on PyPI](#).

```
pip install -U exabgpctl
```

***Getting started*** exabgpctl's getting-started!

**guide/index** All detailed guide for exabgpctl.

***API Reference*** The complete API documentation — the innards of documents, querysets and fields.



# CHAPTER 1

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## Community

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To get help with using exabgpctl, create an issue on [GitHub issues](#).





## CHAPTER 2

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### Contributing

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**Yes please!** We are always looking for contributions, additions and improvements.

The source is available on [GitHub](#) and contributions are always encouraged. Contributions can be as simple as minor tweaks to this documentation, the website or the core.

To contribute, fork the project on [GitHub](#) and send a pull request.



## CHAPTER 3

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### Changes

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See the *Changelog* for a full list of changes to exabgpctl.



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## 4.1 Getting started

### 4.1.1 Installing exabgpctl

exabgpctl is available on PyPI, so you can use **pip**:

```
$ pip install exabgpctl
```

Alternatively, if you don't have setuptools installed, [download it from PyPi](#) and run

```
$ python setup.py install
```

To use the bleeding-edge version of exabgpctl, you can get the source from [GitHub](#) and install it as above:

```
$ git clone git://github.com/ahmet2mir/exabgpctl
$ cd exabgpctl
$ python setup.py install
```

### 4.1.2 Configuration

exabgpctl will not use any “self” configuration, we will only read the real exabgp conf and extend features. By default it will read the file under `/etc/exabgp/exabgp.conf`. To override it, set environment variable

- `EXABGPCTL_CONF`: exabgp.conf path (default `/etc/exabgp/exabgp.conf`)
- `EXABGPCTL_STATE`: where state files should be stored (for process state command) (default `/var/lib/exabgp/status`)

All examples using here will use conf from `examples` folder.

### 4.1.3 Bash Autocompletion

```
$ eval "$(_EXABGPCTL_COMPLETE=source exabgpctl) "
```

See [Click project](#)

### 4.1.4 Output format

You could choose which output format you want, by default it will be *json*

```
$ exabgpctl -o, --output [flat|json|yaml]
```

Where *flat* is key/value output.

### 4.1.5 Process Status

Check all process statuses, exabgpctl will read state and run the healthcheck command defined in exabgp.conf

```
$ exabgpctl process status
{
"service1.exabgp.lan": {
  "state": "UP",
  "command_check": "/bin/true",
  "command": true,
  "state_path": "/var/lib/exabgp/status/service1.exabgp.lan"
}
...

```

### 4.1.6 Enable / Disable process maintenance

ExaBGP support a maintenance flag, if the file exists, the route will be unannounced.

Disable

```
$ exabgpctl process disable service1.exabgp.lan
True
$ exabgpctl process status
{
"service1.exabgp.lan": {
  "state": "DISABLED",
  "command_check": "/bin/true",
  "command": true,
  "state_path": "/var/lib/exabgp/status/service1.exabgp.lan"
}
...

```

Enable

```
$ exabgpctl process enable service1.exabgp.lan
True
$ exabgpctl process status
{
"service1.exabgp.lan": {

```

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```

    "state": "UP",
    "command_check": "/bin/true",
    "command": true,
    "state_path": "/var/lib/exabgp/status/service1.exabgp.lan"
  }
  ...

```

### 4.1.7 List process

List all process (with any state)

```

$ exabgpctl process list
[
  "service1.exabgp.lan",
  "service2.exabgp.lan",
  "service3.exabgp.lan"
]

```

List only disabled (maintenance) process

```

$ exabgpctl process disable service1.exabgp.lan
True
$ exabgpctl process list -d
[
  "service1.exabgp.lan"
]

```

### 4.1.8 Change state

exabgp could update the state of the process using `--execute` flag in healthcheck. And set an environment variable with the current state.

You could use exabgpctl to manage this state

```

$ STATE='DOWN' exabgpctl process state service1.exabgp.lan
DOWN
$ exabgpctl process status
{
  "service1.exabgp.lan": {
    "state": "DOWN",
    "command_check": "/bin/true",
    "command": true,
    "state_path": "/var/lib/exabgp/status/service1.exabgp.lan"
  }
}

```

### 4.1.9 Show process

Get process details

```

$ exabgpctl process show service1.exabgp.lan
{
  "consolidate": false,

```

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```
"receive-keepalives": false,
"receive-packets": false,
"receive-opens": false,
"receive-refresh": false,
"receive-notifications": false,
"neighbor-changes": false,
"encoder": "text",
"receive-parsed": false,
"neighbor": "*",
"receive-operational": false,
"run": {
  ...
```

### 4.1.10 List neighbors

List all process (with any state)

```
$ exabgpctl neighbor list
[
  "192.168.0.1",
  "192.168.0.2"
]
```

### 4.1.11 Show neighbor

Get neighbor details

```
$ exabgpctl neighbor show 192.168.0.1
{
  "group_updates": false,
  "add_path": 0,
  "flush": true,
  "api": {},
  "connect": 0,
  "ttl": null,
  "peer_address": "192.168.0.1",
  ...
```

### 4.1.12 Status neighbor

Get neighbor statuses, it will try to connect to neighbor on port 179.

```
$ exabgpctl neighbor status
{
  "192.168.0.2": {
    "status": false,
    "status_addressport": [
      "192.168.0.2",
      179
    ]
  },
  ...
```

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```

    "192.168.0.1": {
        "status": false,
        "status_addressport": [
            "192.168.0.1",
            179
        ]
    }
}

```

## 4.2 API Reference

### 4.2.1 Controller

#### exabgpctl.view

**exception** `exabgpctl.controller.ExabgpCTLError`

Generic Error to catch from view

`exabgpctl.controller.config_load()`

ExaBGP config loader. Loader will use exabgp lib to load the config like exabgp did

**Returns** configuration with path, state, version, neighbors and processes.

**Return type** dict

#### Examples

```

>>> import os
>>> os.environ['EXABGPCTL_CONF'] = "/etc/exabgp/exabgp.conf"
>>> os.environ['EXABGPCTL_STATE'] = "/var/lib/exabgp/state"
>>> cfg = config_load()
>>> cfg
{
  'path': '/tmp/exabgp/exabgp.conf',
  'state': '/tmp/exabgp/state',
  'version': {
    'python': '3.7.1',
    'exabgp': '3.4.19',
    'os': 'Linux-4.4.0-138-generic-x86_64-with',
    'exabgpctl': '19.01-1'
  },
  'neighbors': [
    {
      'local_address': '192.168.1.1',
      'local_as': 12345,
      'name': '192.168.0.1',
      'peer_address': '192.168.0.1',
      'peer_as': 67890,
      'router_id': '192.168.1.1',
      ...
    },
    {
      'local_address': '192.168.1.1',

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```

        'local_as': 12345,
        'name': '192.168.0.1',
        'peer_address': '192.168.0.1',
        'peer_as': 67890,
        'router_id': '192.168.1.1',
        ...
    }
],
'processes': [
{
    'name': 'service1.exabgp.lan',
    'run': {
        'ip_dynamic': False,
        'disabled_execute': None,
        'sudo': False,
        'pid': None,
        'community': '11223:344',
        'withdraw_on_down': True,
        'execute': ['/usr/bin/exabgpctl process state service1...'],
        'name': 'service1.exabgp.lan',
        'interval': 5,
        'disable': '/tmp/exabgp/maintenance/service1.exabgp.lan',
        'command': '/bin/mycheck',
        'timeout': 5,
        ...
    },
    ...
},
{
    'name': 'service2.exabgp.lan',
    'run': {
        'ip_dynamic': False,
        'disabled_execute': None,
        'sudo': False,
        'pid': None,
        'community': '11223:355',
        'withdraw_on_down': True,
        'execute': ['/usr/bin/exabgpctl process state service2...'],
        'name': 'service2.exabgp.lan',
        'interval': 5,
        'disable': '/tmp/exabgp/maintenance/service2.exabgp.lan',
        'command': '/bin/mycheck',
        'timeout': 5,
        ...
    },
    ...
},
{
    'name': 'service3.exabgp.lan',
    'run': {
        'ip_dynamic': False,
        'disabled_execute': None,
        'sudo': False,
        'pid': None,
        'community': '11223:366',
        'withdraw_on_down': True,
        'execute': ['/usr/bin/exabgpctl process state service3...'],

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```

        'name': 'service3.exabgp.lan',
        'interval': 5,
        'disable': '/tmp/exabgp/maintenance/service3.exabgp.lan',
        'command': '/bin/mycheck',
        'timeout': 5,
        ...
    },
    ...
}
]
}

```

**Raises** *ExabgpCTLError* – if the conf file doesn't exists.

**See also:**

[github.com/Exa-Networks/exabgp/qa/tests/parsing\\_test.py](https://github.com/Exa-Networks/exabgp/qa/tests/parsing_test.py)

`exabgpctl.controller.disable_process(cfg, process)`  
 Disable process (ie create maintenance file).

**Parameters**

- **cfg** (*dict*) – config from `config_load`.
- **process** (*str*) – process to disable.

**Returns** True if the file exists.

**Return type** bool

## Examples

```

>>> disable_process(cfg, 'service1.exabgp.lan')
True
>>> list_disabled_processes(cfg)
['service1.exabgp.lan']

```

`exabgpctl.controller.enable_process(cfg, process)`  
 Enable process (ie create maintenance file).

**Parameters**

- **cfg** (*dict*) – config from `config_load`.
- **process** (*str*) – process to enable.

**Returns** True if the file exists.

**Return type** bool

## Examples

```

>>> list_disabled_processes(cfg)
['service1.exabgp.lan']
>>> enable_process(cfg, 'service1.exabgp.lan')
True

```

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```
>>> list_disabled_processes(cfg)
[]
```

`exabgpctl.controller.flat` (*data*, *prefix=None*)

Flat the dict

#### Parameters

- **data** (*dict*) – the dict to flat. Must be a key/value dict.
- **prefix** (*str*, *optional*) – prefix key with a str value, defaults is None.

**Returns** flattened dict

**Return type** dict

#### Examples

```
>>> data = {
    "key1": {
        "key11": {
            "key111": "value111"
        },
        "key12": {
            "key121": "value121"
        }
    },
    "key2": ["one", "two", "three"]
}
>>> flat(data)
{
    'key1_key11_key111': 'value111',
    'key1_key12_key121': 'value121',
    'key2[1]': 'two',
    'key2[2]': 'three',
    'key2[0]': 'one'
}
```

**See also:**

- [github.com/ahmet2mir/python-snippets/snippets/flat\\_unflat\\_dict.py](https://github.com/ahmet2mir/python-snippets/snippets/flat_unflat_dict.py)

`exabgpctl.controller.get_neighbor` (*cfg*, *name*)

Show neighbor details.

#### Parameters

- **cfg** (*dict*) – config from `config_load`.
- **name** (*str*) – neighbor to retrieve.

**Returns** neighbor data.

**Return type** dict

## Examples

```
>>> get_neighbor(cfg, '192.168.0.2')
{
  'local_address': '192.168.1.1',
  'local_as': 12345,
  'name': '192.168.0.1',
  'peer_address': '192.168.0.1',
  'peer_as': 67890,
  'router_id': '192.168.1.1',
  ...
}
```

**Raises** *ExabgpCTLError* – If neighbor not found.

`exabgpctl.controller.get_process(cfg, name)`

Show process details.

### Parameters

- **cfg** (*dict*) – config from config\_load.
- **name** (*str*) – process to retrieve.

**Returns** process data.

**Return type** dict

## Examples

```
>>> get_process(cfg, 'service1.exabgp.lan')
{
  'name': 'service1.exabgp.lan',
  'run': {
    'ip_dynamic': False,
    'disabled_execute': None,
    'sudo': False,
    'pid': None,
    'community': '11223:344',
    'withdraw_on_down': True,
    'name': 'service1.exabgp.lan',
    'interval': 5,
    'disable': '/tmp/exabgp/maintenance/service1.exabgp.lan',
    'command': '/bin/mycheck',
    'timeout': 5,
    ...
  },
  ...
}
```

**Raises** *ExabgpCTLError* – If process not found.

`exabgpctl.controller.get_version(key=None)`

Get module, deps and platform version informations.

**Parameters** **key** (*str*) – filter item

**Returns**

With **exabgp**, **exabgctl**, **python** and **os** versions. If **key specified** will return a string.

**Return type** dict

### Examples

```
>>> get_version()
{
  'python': '3.7.1',
  'exabgp': '3.4.19',
  'os': 'Linux-4.4.0-138-generic-x86_64-with',
  'exabgpctl': '19.01-1'
}
>>> get_version("exabgpctl")
'19.01-1'
```

**exabgpctl.controller.list\_disabled\_processes** (*cfg*)

List disabled processes from config.

**Parameters** **cfg** (*dict*) – config from config\_load.

**Returns** list of string with process names.

**Return type** list

### Examples

```
>>> list_disabled_processes(cfg)
['service1.exabgp.lan']
```

**exabgpctl.controller.list\_enabled\_processes** (*cfg*)

List enabled processes from config.

**Parameters** **cfg** (*dict*) – config from config\_load.

**Returns** list of string with process names.

**Return type** list

### Examples

```
>>> list_enabled_processes(cfg)
['service2.exabgp.lan', 'service3.exabgp.lan']
```

**exabgpctl.controller.list\_neighbors** (*cfg*)

List neighbors from config.

**Parameters** **cfg** (*dict*) – config from config\_load.

**Returns** list of string with neighbor names.

**Return type** list

## Examples

```
>>> list_neighbors(cfg)
['192.168.0.2', '192.168.0.1']
```

`exabgpctl.controller.list_processes(cfg)`

List processes from config.

**Parameters** `cfg` (*dict*) – config from `config_load`.

**Returns** list of string with process names.

**Return type** list

## Examples

```
>>> list_processes(cfg)
['service1.exabgp.lan', 'service2.exabgp.lan', 'service3.exabgp.lan']
```

`exabgpctl.controller.print_flat(data)`

Print data in flat mode.

If data is not hash or list, will only print raw value.

**Parameters** `data` (*dict*) – data to print.

## Examples

```
>>> data = {
    "key1": {
        "key11": {
            "key111": "value111"
        },
        "key12": {
            "key121": "value121"
        }
    },
    "key2": ["one", "two", "three"]
}
>>> print_flat(data)
key1__key11__key111=value111
key1__key12__key121=value121
key2[0]=one
key2[1]=two
key2[2]=three
```

`exabgpctl.controller.print_json(data)`

Print data in json mode.

If data is not hash or list, will only print raw value.

**Parameters** `data` (*dict*) – data to print.

## Examples

```
>>> data = {
    "key1": {
        "key11": {
            "key111": "value111"
        },
        "key12": {
            "key121": "value121"
        }
    },
    "key2": ["one", "two", "three"]
}
>>> print_json(data)
{
  "key2": [
    "one",
    "two",
    "three"
  ],
  "key1": {
    "key12": {
      "key121": "value121"
    },
    "key11": {
      "key111": "value111"
    }
  }
}
```

`exabgpctl.controller.print_yaml(data)`

Print data in yaml mode.

If data is not hash or list, will only print raw value.

**Parameters** `data` (*dict*) – data to print.

## Examples

```
>>> data = {
    "key1": {
        "key11": {
            "key111": "value111"
        },
        "key12": {
            "key121": "value121"
        }
    },
    "key2": ["one", "two", "three"]
}
>>> print_yaml(data)
---
key1:
  key11:
    key111: value111
  key12:
    key121: value121
```

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```
key2:
- one
- two
- three
```

`exabgpctl.controller.state_process(cfg, process)`

Set exabgp state in a statefile.

ExaBGP healthcheck command could run an action on each state change using environment called “STATE”. See healthcheck `–execute` option.

#### Parameters

- **cfg** (*dict*) – config from config\_load.
- **process** (*str*) – process to enable.

#### Returns

**One of exabgp stat** INIT: Initial state DISABLED: Disabled state RISING: Checks are currently succeeding. FALLING: Checks are currently failing. UP: Service is considered as up. DOWN: Service is considered as down.

**Return type** `str`

### Examples

```
>>> import os
>>> os.environ["STATE"] = "UP"
>>> state_process(cfg, 'service1.exabgp.lan')
'UP'
>>> with open(cfg["state"] + "/service1.exabgp.lan", "r") as fd:
...     fd.read()
'UP'
```

`exabgpctl.controller.status_neighbors(cfg)`

Check connectivity with neighbors.

**Parameters** **cfg** (*dict*) – config from config\_load.

**Returns** with statuses for each neighbor.

**Return type** `dict`

### Examples

```
>>> status_neighbors(cfg)
{
  '192.168.0.1': {
    'status': True,
    'status_addressport': ['192.168.0.1', 179]
  },
  '192.168.0.2': {
    'status': True,
    'status_addressport': ['192.168.0.2', 179]
  }
}
```

`exabgpctl.controller.status_processes (cfg)`

Read all states from statefiles and run using healthcheck commands.

**Parameters**

- **cfg** (*dict*) – config from `config_load`.
- **process** (*str*) – process to enable.

**Returns** with statuses for each process.

**Return type** dict

**Examples**

```
>>> status_processes(cfg)
{
  'service1.exabgp.lan': {
    'state': 'UP',
    'state_path': '/tmp/exabgp/state/service1.exabgp.lan',
    'command': True,
    'command_check': '/bin/mycheck'
  },
  'service2.exabgp.lan': {
    'state': 'DOWN',
    'state_path': '/tmp/exabgp/state/service2.exabgp.lan',
    'command': False,
    'command_check': '/bin/mycheck'
  },
  'service3.exabgp.lan': {
    'state': 'DOWN',
    'state_path': '/tmp/exabgp/state/service3.exabgp.lan',
    'command': False,
    'command_check': '/bin/mycheck'
  }
}
```

`exabgpctl.controller.tcping (address, port)`

Like `tcping` tools, will test if the address:port is open.

**Parameters**

- **address** (*str*) – target address ip.
- **port** (*int*) – target port.

**Returns** True if address:port is open.

**Return type** bool

**Examples**

```
>>> tcping('8.8.8.8', 53)
True
```

## 4.3 Changelog

### 4.3.1 Changes in 19.01-1

- First release



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