Monitoring Tiki

Tiki's tiki-monitor.php script now supports enhanced options to facilitate integration with monitoring systems like Nagios, Zabbix, and Icinga. These enhancements include IP restrictions, token-based authentication, role-based data visibility, custom probes, and support for multiple HTTP methods with custom error codes.

Nagios

- Ensure all necessary services/daemons are running. Use check procs or check ssh (to call check procs on remote server)
 - Apache
 - MySQL (also use check mysql to run test queries)
- Ensure adequate memory, cpu and disk space are available using check mem, check load and check disk
- Ensure web site is healthy.
 - Use check http to check a particular web page or
 - Use check webinject to script a login and perform a more detailed site check
- Track site performance
 - Use pnp4nagios or nagiosgraph to capture the performance data from check http or check webinject to track response time data over time.

Tiki Monitoring Script

The primary monitoring script, tiki-monitor.php, now supports multiple options to integrate seamlessly with external monitoring systems like Nagios, Zabbix, and Icinga.

- IP Restriction:
 - Define IP addresses allowed to access the monitoring script. Set the monitoring restricted ips preference with a comma-separated list of IPs, ensuring only specified addresses can initiate requests. This setting complements the existing \$tikiMonitorRestriction option for backward compatibility.
 - Example Configuration:

127.0.0.1,192.168.1.10

• Token-Based Authentication:

- Set a monitoring token preference to authenticate requests via a secure token. The token can be passed as:

 - A GET or POST parameter with the name monitoring token
 - An HTTP header X-Tiki-Monitoring-Token
- Requests with an invalid token return HTTP 401, preventing unauthorized access.
- Token Usage Examples:
 - GET Parameter:

curl --location '/tiki-monitor.php?monitoring token=your token here'

POST Parameter:

curl --location '/tiki-monitor.php' --form 'monitoring token=your token here'

HTTP header:

curl --location --head '/tiki-monitor.php' --header 'X-Tiki-Monitoring-Token: your token here'

• Role-Based Data Visibility:

- Configure data visibility with the monitoring_auth preference to control which data is accessible to authenticated vs. public users.
- Define rules such as **OPCodeCache:auth** or ***:auth** to specify visibility at the key level in JSON output, allowing fine-grained control over what each role can see.
- Two roles are supported:
 - public: Default role with access to limited data.
 - auth: Role for authenticated users (admin or valid token).
 - Users with auth can see both public and restricted data based on rule configuration.
 - Example Rule:

 $OPCodeCache: auth \ SearchIndex RebuildLast: public \ OpCodeStats. opcode_cache: public \ OpCodeStats: auth \ *: auth$

• With these rules, public users would only see selected keys, while authenticated users would have broader access. If no custom rules are provided, defaults apply to retain backward compatibility.

• Custom Probes:

- Use the monitoring_probes preference to define specific checks (probes) using Tiki's calculation syntax.
 Examples of probes:
 - Basic Comparison:

(less-than SearchIndexRebuildLast 10)

• Timestamp Comparison:

(less-than SearchIndexRebuildLast NOW)

Equality Check:

(equals OpCodeStats.opcode_cache "OpCache")

• Sample JSON Output with Probes:

{ "Probes": { "result": "OK", "details": { "probe_1": "OK", "probe_2": "OK" } } }

• If probes fail, the result field will be set to FAIL, and each probe's status will be noted.

• HTTP Methods and Custom Error Codes:

- $\circ~$ The script supports HEAD, GET, and POST methods:
 - HEAD: Returns no body, useful for health checks.
 - GET and POST: Standard responses based on request.
- The parameter monitoring_error_code (passed as a GET/POST parameter or X-Tiki-Monitoring-Error-Code header) specifies a custom HTTP code (200-599) to be returned on probe failure.
- Examples of Custom Error Codes:
 - GET Request:

curl --location '/tiki-monitor.php?monitoring_error_code=400'

POST Request:

curl --location '/tiki-monitor.php' --form 'monitoring_error_code=400'

HEAD Request:

Configuration

- Configure the preferences within tiki-admin.php?page=performance
- Set IP restrictions with monitoring_restricted_ips.
- $\bullet~$ Enable token-based requests with monitoring_token.
- Define visibility rules with monitor_rules.
- Add probes in monitor_probes.

Additional Monitoring Scripts

In addition to tiki-monitor.php, Tiki includes other monitoring scripts for system health checks:

- check_tiki.php A basic health-check script.
- check_tiki-new.php An enhanced version of check_tiki.php with extended checks.

Code in Tiki for Zabbix, Nagios, Icinga, Shinken, etc.

- https://gitlab.com/tikiwiki/tiki/-/blob/master/tiki-monitor.php
- https://gitlab.com/tikiwiki/tiki/-/blob/master/doc/devtools/check_tiki.php
- https://gitlab.com/tikiwiki/tiki/-/blob/master/doc/devtools/check_tiki-new.php