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Unleash the Power of OpenConfig

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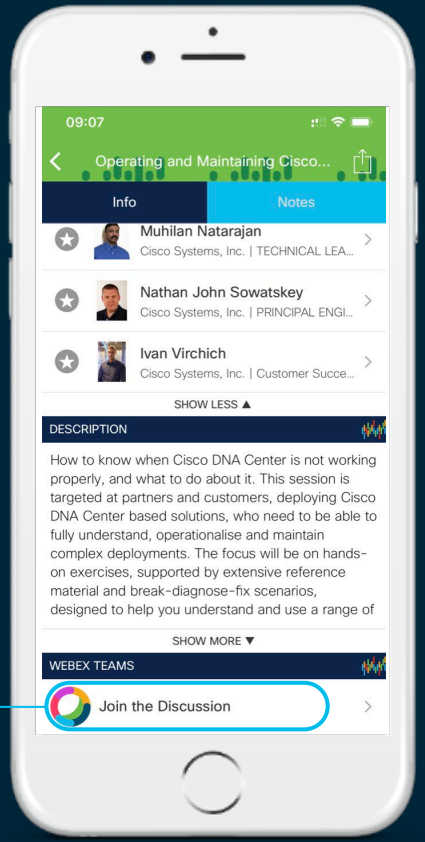


Goals

- Understand Today's Network Challenges
- Road to Model driven Programmability
- Introduction to OpenConfig for Network Provisioning & Operations.

Today's Network Challenges

Todays Network is Open, and accessed by not just Network Engineer but by API developers.

- Overview of the 2002 IAB Network Management Workshop
  - Need for user-friendly Network Configuration protocol
  - Programmatic interface for device configuration.
  - Ability to Configure Services and not just devices.
  - SNMP is not optimized enough for Configuration & DevOps and is not transaction based.

More details : https://tools.ietf.org/html/rfc3535

NETCONF & Yang

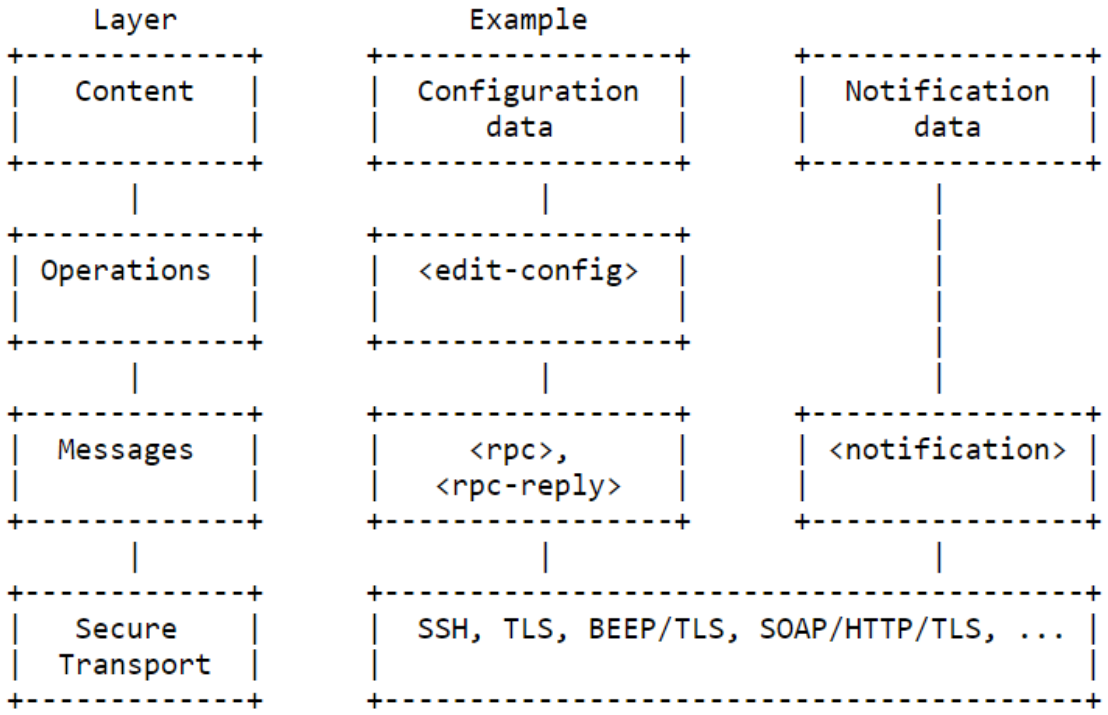
NETCONF

NETwork CONFiguration protocol

- IETF Standard [rfc6241, rfc6242]
  - Transaction based
  - Configure, manipulate & delete the config. [get-config, edit-config & delete-config]
  - Query Operational data [get]
- Operations are realized on top of RPC [remote procedure calls]
  - Uses XML data encoding

```
|  +--Get-config
|  +--Edit-Config
|     +--Merge
|     +--Replace
|     +--Create
|     +--Delete
|     +--Remove
|     +--Default-Operations
|        +--Merge
|        +--Replace
|        +--None
|  +--Get
|  +--Lock
|  +--UnLock
|  +--Close-Session
|  +--Kill-Session
```

NETCONF Protocol Layers



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YANG

Yet Another Next Generation

- YANG is a data modeling language used to model configuration and state data manipulated by the NETCONF protocol
- IETF Standard [rfc6020]
  - specifically targeted to the needs of configuration management
  - Easy to read, to promote adoption.
  - Provides mechanisms to validate models of configuration data for semantics and syntax.

```
module: openconfig-interfaces
  +--rw interfaces
     +--rw interface* [name]
        +--rw name              -> ../config/name
        +--rw config
        |  +--rw type           identityref
        |  +--rw mtu?           uint16
        |  +--rw name?          string
        |  +--rw description?   string
        |  +--rw enabled?       boolean
        +--ro state
        |  +--ro type            identityref
        |  +--ro mtu?            uint16
        |  +--ro name?           string
        |  +--ro description?    string
        |  +--ro enabled?        boolean
        |  +--ro ifindex?        uint32
        |  +--ro admin-status    enumeration
        |  +--ro oper-status     enumeration
        |  +--ro last-change?    yang:timeticks
        |  +--ro counters
        |     +--ro in-octets?            yang:counter64
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        |     +--ro out-discards?         yang:counter64
        |     +--ro out-errors?           yang:counter64
        |     +--ro last-clear?           yang:date-and-time
```

NETCONF Client

- Satisfies the prerequisites for an SSH/TLS connection
- Opens/Ends a NETCONF session
- Sends NETCONF RPCs requesting/changing configuration / Operation data
- (Optional)Syntax and Semantics Verification.
- (Optional)locks/unlocks the candidate configuration
- Open source clients:
  - libnetconf: NETCONF library in C
  - ncclient: Python library for NETCONF clients

NETCONF Session

SSH & NETCONF configuration

- Connection-Oriented
  - Transport : SSH [default 830], TLS
- Netconf Client establishes session with server
- Session Establishment
  - Hello message
  - Exchanges capabilities, modules and features
- Session-termination : close/kill

```
!
ssh server v2
ssh server vrf default
ssh server netconf vrf default
!
```

```
!
netconf agent tty
!
netconf-yang agent
 ssh
!
```

OpenConfig Models

What is it ?

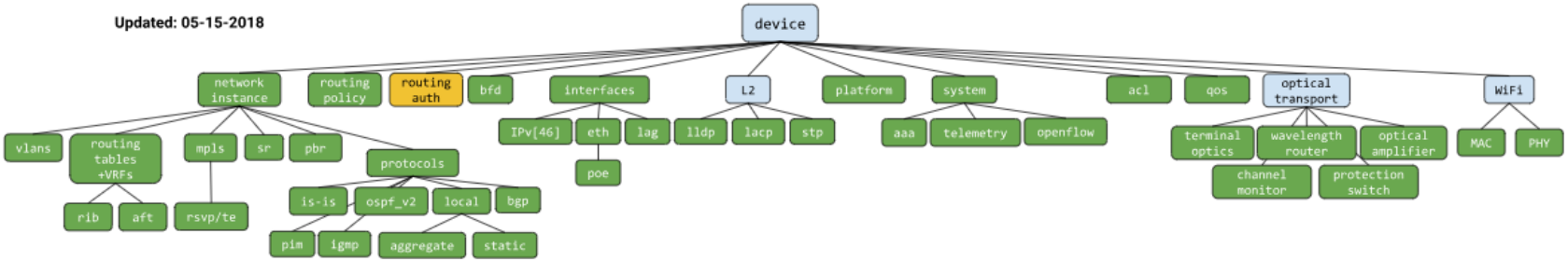
http://www.openconfig.net/

What is OpenConfig?

OpenConfig is an informal working group of network operators sharing the goal of moving our networks toward a more dynamic, programmable infrastructure by adopting software-defined networking principles such as declarative configuration and model-driven management and operations.

Common data models

Our initial focus in OpenConfig is on compiling a consistent set of vendor-neutral data models (written in YANG) based on actual operational needs from use cases and requirements from multiple network operators.



OpenConfig Models

```
module openconfig-bgp {

  yang-version "1";

  namespace "http://openconfig.net/yang/bgp";

  prefix "oc-bgp";

  import openconfig-extensions { prefix oc-ext; }
  include openconfig-bgp-common;
  include openconfig-bgp-common-multiprotocol;
  include openconfig-bgp-common-structure;
  include openconfig-bgp-peer-group;
  include openconfig-bgp-neighbor;
  include openconfig-bgp-global;
```

Unique name

External modules with a local prefix

Sub-modules

- Module is the base unit of definition in YANG for eg. openconfig-bgp.yang
- YANG models can augment an existing data model with additional nodes
- "include" statement to include submodules
- "import" statement to reference external modules
- When a definition in an external module is referenced, a locally defined prefix MUST be used, followed by ":"

OpenConfig vs Cisco-defined Model : BGP

```
module: openconfig-bgp
  +--rw bgp
     +--rw global
     |  +--rw config
     |  |  +--rw as              oc-inet:as-number
     |  |  +--rw router-id?      oc-yang:dotted-quad
     |  +--ro state
     |  |  +--ro as                  oc-inet:as-number
     |  |  +--ro router-id?          oc-yang:dotted-quad
     |  |  +--ro total-paths?        uint32
     |  |  +--ro total-prefixes?     uint32
     |  +--rw default-route-distance
     |  |  +--rw config
     |  |  |  +--rw external-route-distance?   uint8
     |  |  |  +--rw internal-route-distance?   uint8
     |  |  +--ro state
     |  |     +--ro external-route-distance?   uint8
     |  |     +--ro internal-route-distance?   uint8
```

```
module: Cisco-IOS-XR-ipv4-bgp-cfg
  +--rw asn-format?          Bgp-asn
  +--rw bgp
  |  +--rw instance* [instance-name]
  |     +--rw instance-name     xr:Cisco-ios-xr-string
  |     +--rw instance-as* [as]
  |        +--rw as               dt1:Bgp-as-range
  |        +--rw four-byte-as* [as]
  |           +--rw vrfs
  |           |  +--rw vrf
  |           |     +--rw
  |           |     |  +--
```

```
module: Cisco-IOS-XR-ipv4-bgp-oper
  +--ro bgp
     +--ro config-instances
     |  +--ro config-instance* [instance-name]
     |     +--ro config-instance-default-vrf
     |     |  +--ro entity-configurations
     |     |  |  +--ro entity-configuration* []
     |     |  |     +--ro entity-type?            Bgp-entity
     |     |  |     +--ro neighbor-address?       inet:ip-address-no-zone
     |     |  |     +--ro entity-name?            xr:Cisco-ios-xr-string
     |     |  |     +--ro length?                 uint32
     |     |  |     +--ro neighbor-address-xr
     |     |  |     |  +--ro l2vpn-vpls-address
     |     |  |     |  |  +--ro l2vpn-address?    yang:hex-string
     |     |  |     |  +--ro l2vpn-mspw-address
     |     |  |     |  |  +--ro l2vpn-address?    yang:hex-string
     |     |  |     |  +--ro ipv4-sr-policy-address
     |     |  |     |  |  +--ro ipv4-srpolicy-address?   yang:hex-string
     |     |  |     |  +--ro ipv6-sr-policy-address
     |     |  |     |  |  +--ro ipv6-srpolicy-address?   yang:hex-string
     |     |  |     |  +--ro afi?                      Bgp-afi
     |     |  |     |  +--ro ipv4-address?             inet:ipv4-address
     |     |  |     |  +--ro ipv4-mcast-address?       inet:ipv4-address
     |     |  |     |  +--ro ipv4-label-address?       inet:ipv4-address
     |     |  |     |  +--ro ipv4-tunnel-address?      Ipv4-tunnel-address
     |     |  |     |  +--ro ipv4-mdt-address?         Ipv4-mdt-address
     |     |  |     |  +--ro ipv4vpn-address?          inet:ipv4-address
     |     |  |     |  +--ro ipv4vpna-mcastddress?     inet:ipv4-address
```

Model Snipped for representation on slide

OpenConfig vs Cisco-defined Model : Interface

```
module: openconfig-interfaces
  +--rw interfaces
     +--rw interface* [name]
        +--rw name                    -> ../config/name
        +--rw config
        |  +--rw type                  identityref
        |  +--rw mtu?                  uint16
        |  +--rw name?                 string
        |  +--rw description?          string
        |  +--rw enabled?              boolean
        +--ro state
        |  +--ro type                   identityref
        |  +--ro mtu?                   uint16
        |  +--ro name?                  string
        |  +--ro description?           string
        |  +--ro enabled?               boolean
        |  +--ro ifindex?               uint32
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        |     +--ro last-clear?               yang:date-and-time
```

```
dule: Cisco-IOS-XR-ifmgr-oper
+--ro interface-dampening
|  +--ro interfaces
|  |  +--ro interface* [interface-name]
|  |     +--ro if-dampening
|  |     |  +--ro interface-dampening
|  |     |  |  +--ro penalty?                  uint32
|  |     |  |  +--ro is
|  |     |  |  +--ro se
|  |     |  |  +--ro fl
|  |     |  |  +--ro st
|  |     |  +--ro state
|  |     |  +--ro last-
|  |     |  +--ro is-da
|  |     |  +--ro half-
|  |     |  +--ro reuse
|  |     |  +--ro suppr
|  |     |  +--ro maxim
|  |     |  +--ro resta
|  |     |  +--ro capsu
|  |     |     +--ro ca
|  |     |     |  +--ro
|  |     |     |  +--ro
|  |     |     |  +--ro
|  |     |     |  +--ro
|  |     |     +--ro ca
|  |     +--ro interfac
|  +--ro nodes
```

```
module: Cisco-IOS-XR-ifmgr-cfg
  +--rw global-interface-configuration
  |  +--rw link-status?   Link-status-enum
  +--rw interface-configurations
     +--rw interface-configuration* [active interface-name]
        +--rw dampening
        |  +--rw args?                    enumeration
        |  +--rw half-life?               uint32
        |  +--rw reuse-threshold?         uint32
        |  +--rw suppress-threshold?      uint32
        |  +--rw suppress-time?           uint32
        |  +--rw restart-penalty?         uint32
        +--rw mtus
        |  +--rw mtu* [owner]
        |     +--rw owner     xr:Cisco-ios-xr-string
        |     +--rw mtu       uint32
        +--rw encapsulation
        |  +--rw encapsulation?          string
        |  +--rw capsulation-options?    uint32
        +--rw shutdown?                        empty
        +--rw interface-virtual?               empty
        +--rw secondary-admin-state?           Secondary-admin-state-enum
        +--rw interface-mode-non-physical?     Interface-mode-enum
        +--rw bandwidth?                       uint32
        +--rw link-status?                     empty
        +--rw description?                     string
        +--rw active                           Interface-active
        +--rw interface-name                   xr:Interface-name
```

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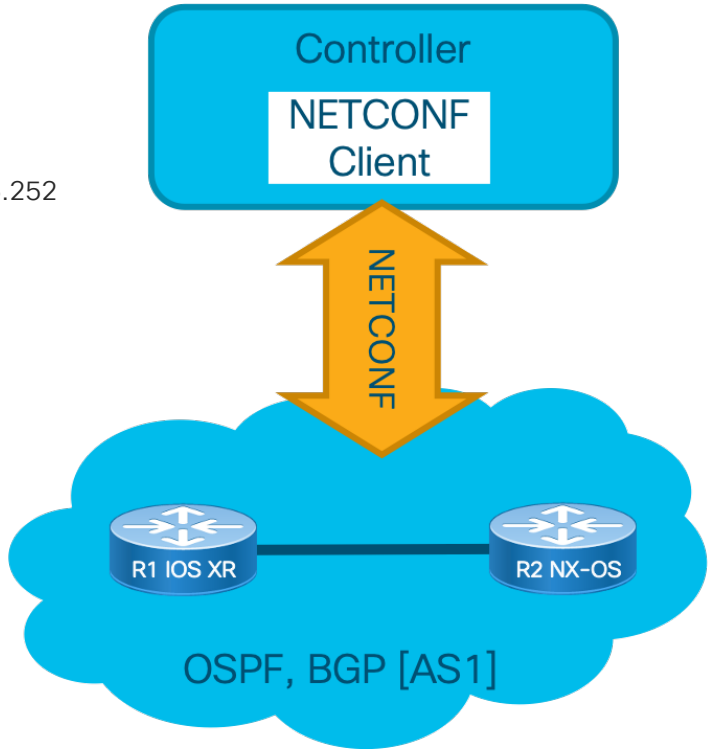
pYANG Demo

OpenConfig Demo

R1 IOS XR Config

```
interface GigabitEthernet0/0/0/0
ipv4 address 100.1.2.1 255.255.255.252
!
router bgp 1
bgp router-id 1.1.1.1
address-family ipv4 unicast
!
neighbor 100.1.2.2
  remote-as 1
  address-family ipv4 unicast
```



R2 NX OS Config

```
interface Ethernet1/1
  ip address 100.1.2.2/30
!
router bgp 1
  router-id 2.2.2.2
  address-family ipv4 unicast
  neighbor 100.1.2.1
    remote-as 1
    address-family ipv4 unicast
```

Referred Sessions & Further Reading

- DEVWKS-1644 - Building IP Core Network with OpenConfig
- DEVWKS-1381 - Introduction to Using gRPC-based Protocol for Model-Driven Management of IOS-XR
- LTRSPG-2601 - Cisco IOS XR Programmability
- OpenConfig references
  - http://www.openconfig.net/
  - https://github.com/openconfig
- pYANG : https://github.com/mbj4668/pyang
- NETCONF & YANG RFCs
  - RFC 3535 : Overview of the 2002 IAB Network Management Workshop
  - RFC 6241 : Network Configuration Protocol
  - RFC 6242 : Using the NETCONF Protocol over Secure Shell
  - RFC 6020 : YANG - A Data Modeling Language for the Network Configuration Protocol
- Open Source Netconf Client :
  - libnetconf: NETCONF library in C intended for building NETCONF clients and servers.
  - ncclient: Python library for NETCONF clients

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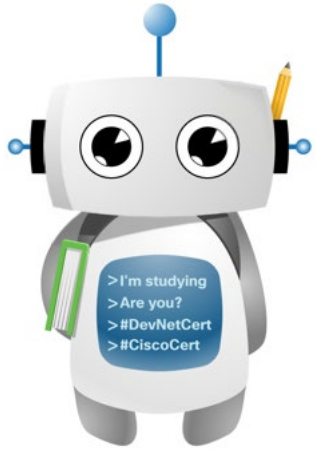

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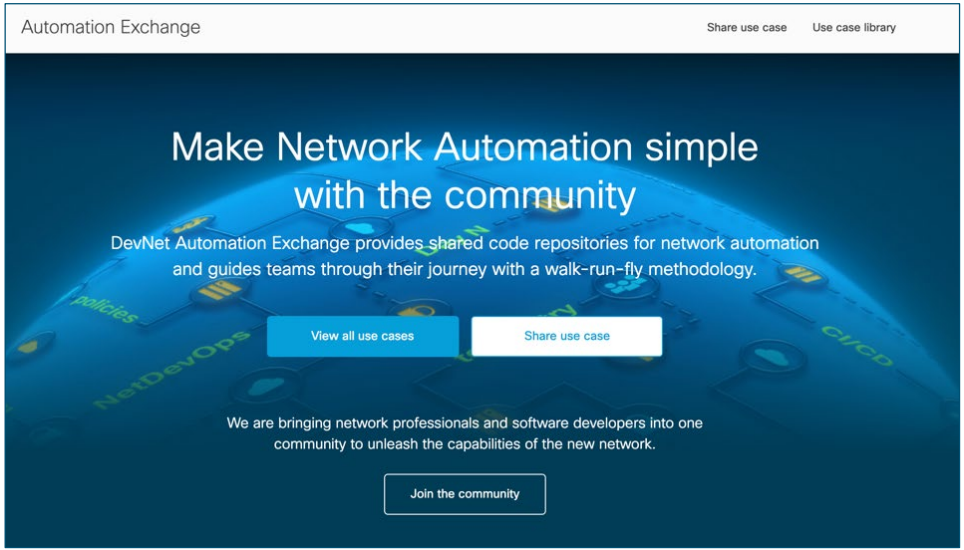

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