

# Automating XR Protocols

## XR Toolbox

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# Agenda

- What is Protocol Automation?
- The Automation Gradient
- Delivering Protocol Automation
- Preview Demos

# SP Automation Journey – Path to Protocol Automation



## Day -1: Planning

All Planning Functions  
prior to Network

### Product(s) Available:

- Crosswork  
Qualification Engine  
(CQE)



## Day 0: Bring Up

Bring Up Functions  
Including ZTP & Software  
Image Management  
(SWIM)

### Product(s) Available:

- XR ZTP
- Crosswork ZTP



## Day 1: Operate

Network Services &  
Transport Operations

### Product(s) Available:

- XR Yang Models &  
Telemetry
- Change Automation
- Health Insights
- Network Controller



## Day 2: Assurance

Protocol level  
Troubleshooting

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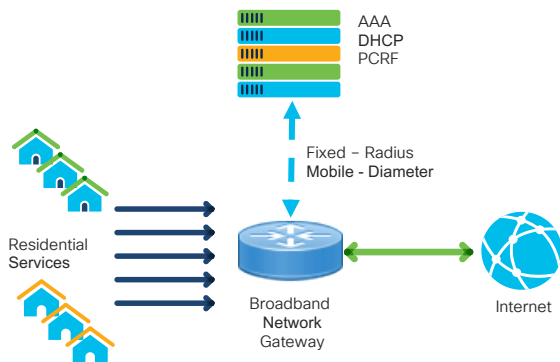
- Day 1 Offerings

### Future Add-Ons:

- Protocol Automation

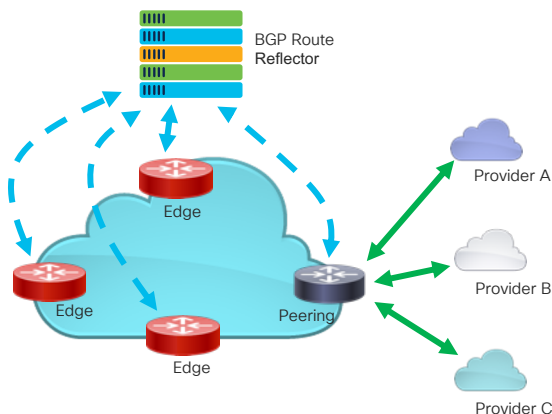
# Long History of Protocol Automation

## BNG – 1999 – The First SDN App



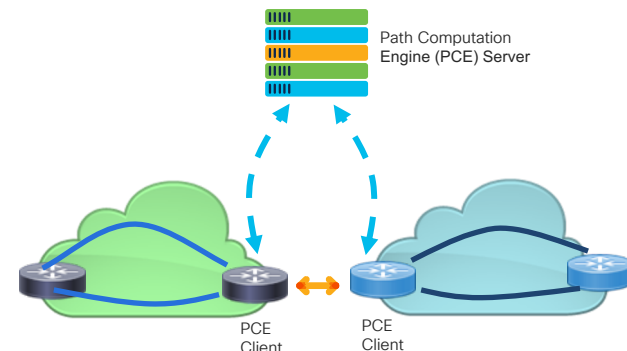
- Residential Services – High Scale by Nature
- Changes had to be applied Programmatically

## BGP Route Reflector - 2000



- MPLS BGP VPNs (rfc2547) key driver for BGP RR
- Not just Peering, but every Edge needed BGP

## Inter AS Traffic Engineering - 2005



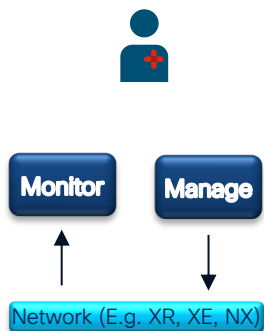
- Traffic Engineering relies on OSPF/ISIS
- For crossing AS boundaries – a PCE approach was adopted

Protocol Automation = Extension of Network OS function (or XR)

# Automation Gradient

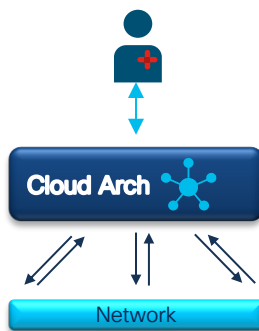
Analogy: SAE Level 1-5 for Self Driving cars

*"Level 1" = NMS*



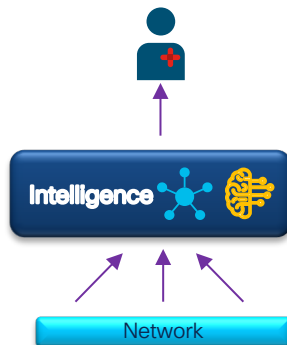
- No APIs
- Distinct Apps
- Fixed GUI

*"Level 2" = Evolve Device to Network + APIs*



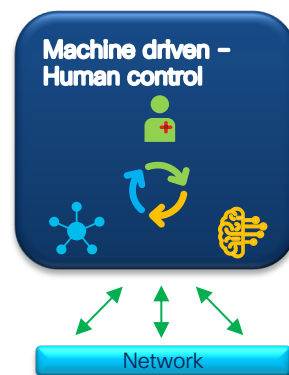
- Open APIs
- Service Models
- Flexible GUI

*"Level 3" = Profile with ML/MR Algos*



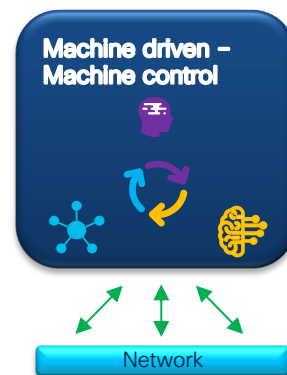
- Use ML algos for Trends
- Use MR expert systems for Troubleshooting

*"Level 4" = Closed Loop (With Intervention)*



- Use ML + MR Algos with ability to control Network
- Human Control Intact

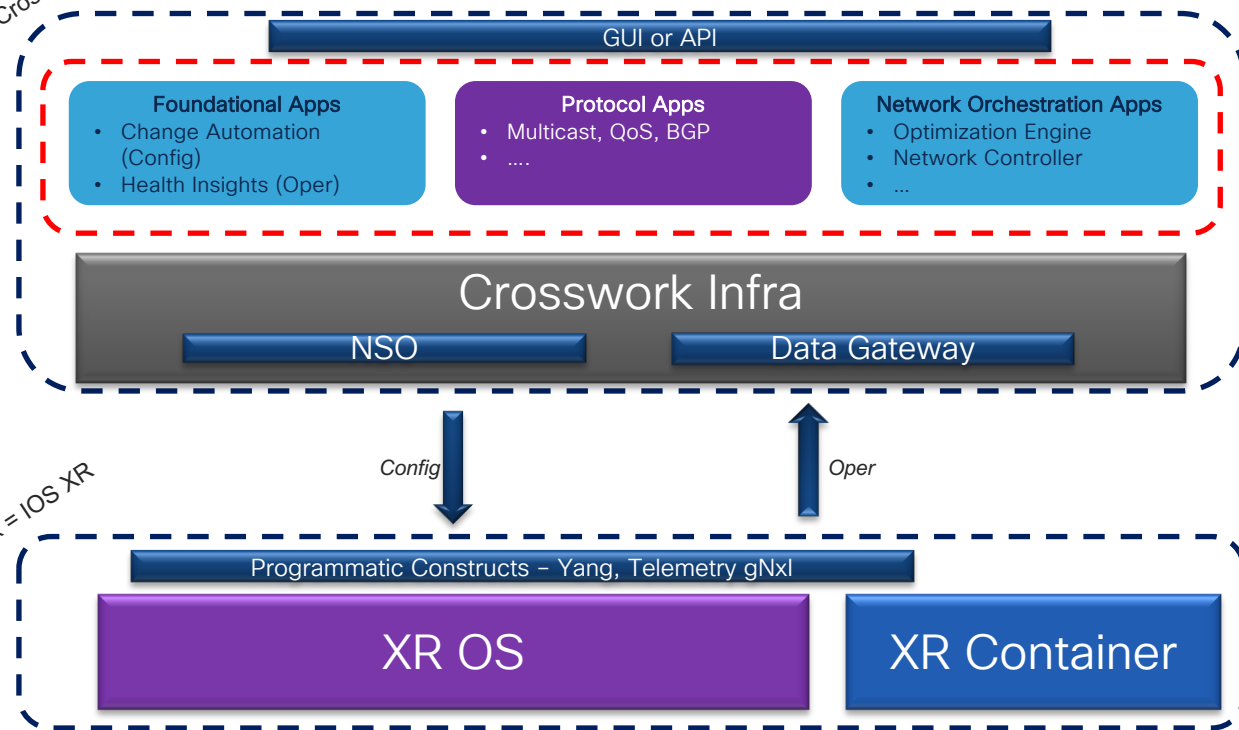
*"Level 5" = Closed Loop (No Intervention)*



- Decommission Elements when unable to handle
- Human intervention for 'out of sample' scenarios

# Cisco Full Stack Software Offerings for Providers

Offbox = CrossWork



- Onbox + Offbox = Vertical Software Integration
- Tight Interaction with fully Open APIs
- Programmatically extend to OSS (or 3<sup>rd</sup> party systems)

# Preview Demos

Area	Description
Multicast	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Display Multicast Health for VPNs and Trees based on Telemetry</li><li>• Realtime topology views of the network state</li><li>• Machine Reasoning based Expert systems using Rules to troubleshoot Multicast Outages (via simulation)</li><li>• Perform a Network Action to resolve issue – driving Closed Loop Protocol Automation</li></ul>
QoS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Display QoS health for Queuing &amp; Policing based on Telemetry</li><li>• Realtime topology views of the network state</li><li>• Machine Reasoning based Expert systems to detect issues with 3 class configuration of voice, video &amp; data</li><li>• Perform Network Actions to tune queuing &amp; policing parameters based on health state</li></ul>
BGP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Display BGP health for Layer 2 and Layer 3 VPNs based on Telemetry</li><li>• Realtime topology views of the network</li><li>• MR based rules with BGP level process on memory utilization, CPU utilization, NSR Readiness, Process restart count and blocked threads</li><li>• Perform Network actions to ensure BGP health stays within 'green' state</li></ul>

# More Info

- Demos located at –  
<http://developer.cisco.com/devnetday>
- Need more Info? Drop a note to the Engineers at  
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# Possibilities

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