

Network Inventory Management Side Meeting

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Meeting **Room: G313 – Monday**

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Recap

- The 1st side meeting on inventory management was organized on Tuesday in IETF 115 London meeting
 - Review three relevant drafts and Highlight existing IETF I-Ds that cover devices (optical, enterprise, IoT, et al.), services and network;
 - draft-palmero-opsawg-dmlmo (IT software asset management)
 - draft-wzwb-opsawg-network-inventory-management (Physical, Virtual Network Inventory)
 - draft-yg3bp-ccamp-network-inventory-yang (Physical Network Inventory)
 - General agreement of 1st side meeting is:
 - Survey work including openconfig relevant effort should be aligned
 - Duplication across documents should be avoided
 - Cook book (e.g., Digital twin network, closed loop) on how models work together to build automated management system should be coordinated

Recap

- non-WG mailing list (Inventory-yang@ietf.org) was created in November 15 2022 since IETF 115 for work coordination and alignment
- CCAMP Inventory management draft was adopted in January 17 2023
 - The focus has been scoped down to network hardware inventory based on agreement during the adoption call and CCAMP weekly meeting
 - 33 issues have been raised and 26 issues has been closed during CCAMP design team call
 - E.g., IP use case, MW Use case, relation with network topo model, schema mount support
 - <https://github.com/ietf-ccamp-wg/ietf-network-inventory/issues?page=2&q=is%3Aissue+is%3Aopen>
 - Several relevant drafts have been reviewed and compared
 - <https://github.com/ietf-ccamp-wg/ietf-network-inventory/issues/26>
- draft-palmero-opsawg-dmlmo-01 and draft-wzwb-opsawg-network-inventory-management are both in the stage which is ready for call for adoption.
- The model design issues for draft-palmero-opsawg-dmlmo-01 and draft-wzwb-opsawg-network-inventory-management has been discussed in opsawg mailing list separately
 - E.g., License vs Entitlement
 - Physical port vs Termination point
 - Asset characteristic class vs User experience

Goal

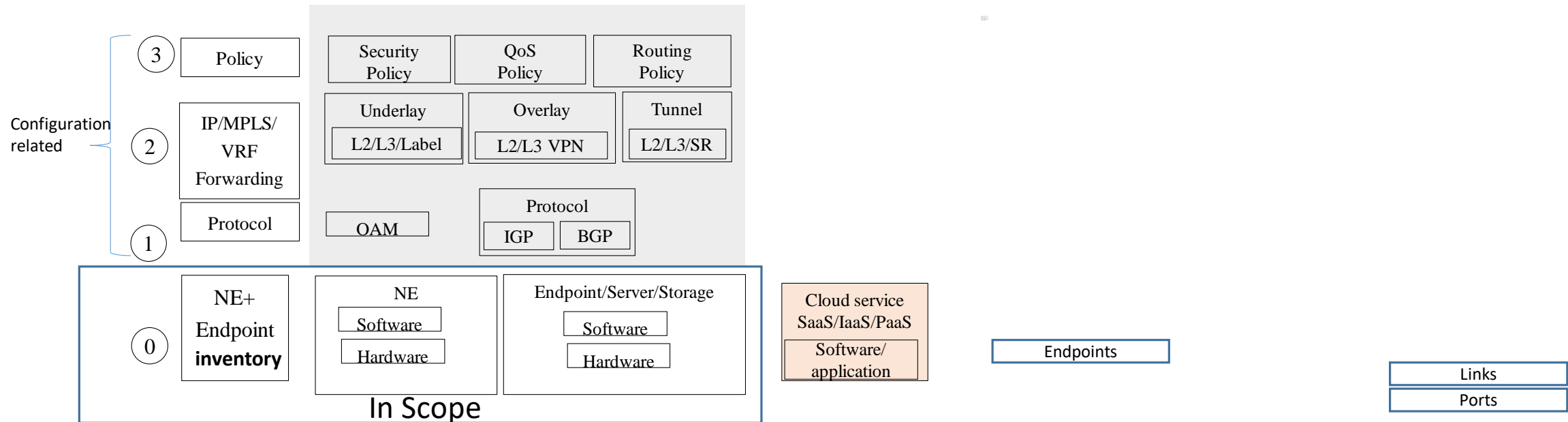
- Provide a Survey for all existing work
- Establish common understanding on the terminologies definition
- Reach an agreement on the scope boundary for three relevant drafts

Network Inventory Survey

	Service/Network /Device Level	HW/SW Coverage	Main Use Cases	Mark
openconfig-platform.yang	Device Level	HW/SW	Hardware/Software components management, introduce component and sub component concept	Published
draft-palmero-opsawg-dmlmo	Network Level	HW/SW	Asset Lifecycle Management for maximized asset utilization, license management, asset can be SW/HW, Service, Application	IT asset related
draft-wzwb-opsawg-network-inventory-management	Network Level	HW/SW	Network Inventory component Unified Management and Security Risk Analysis, Network inventory including Network device and Network endpoint Device, such as PC、BYOD、IoT device such as printer, camera	Align with openconfig
draft-ietf-ccamp-network-inventory-yang	Network Level	HW	physical plan process and hardware component management including Site, Rack, shelves, Power-supply, Fan, backplane, line card, etc	
draft-ietf-opsawg-sap	Network Level	HW	Link service attachment point with physical interface or logical interface of a specific network node	RFC Queue
RFC8345	Network Level	N/A	Base network inventory model Contain a inventory of nodes in the network, the node can be router, switch	
draft-ietf-opsawg-sbom-access	Device Level	SW	discover the software running on the device and retrieve known vulnerabilities for this software	Ready for publication
RFC8348	Device Level	HW	Hardware management	
draft-claise-opsawg-collected-data-manifest	Device Level	N/A	The contextual information includes identifying what kinks of data produced by device and how should the client collect this data from device.	I-D
TR547 TAPI v2.1.3	Network Level	HW	Support filtering by part number, manufacturer Support request full inventory of devices or components within the devices such as chassis, slot, port,etc	Published

Network Inventory Scope

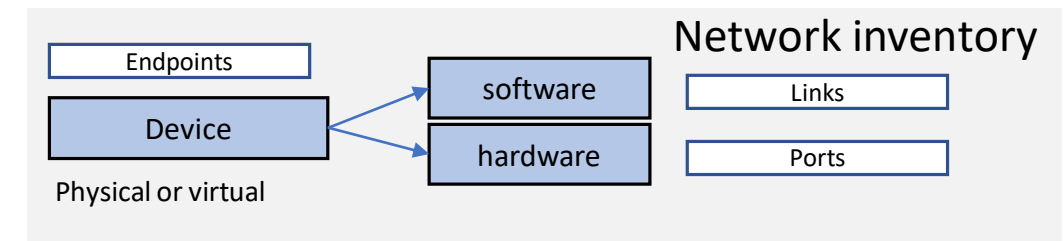
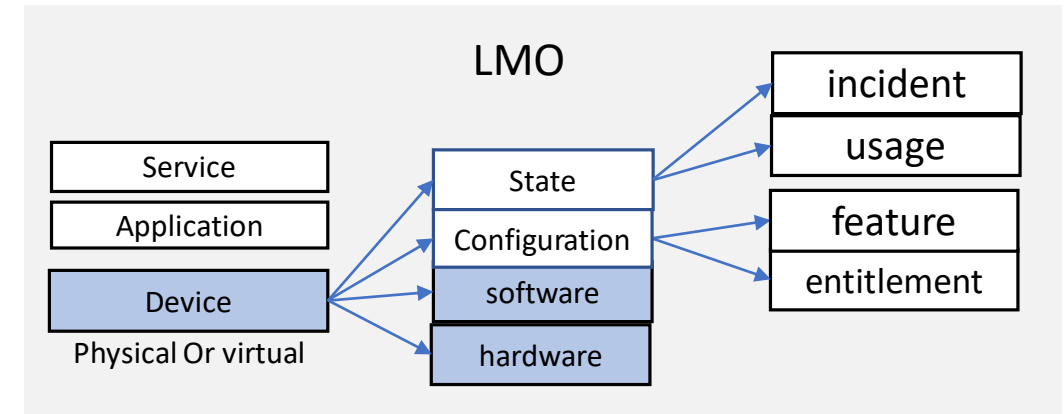
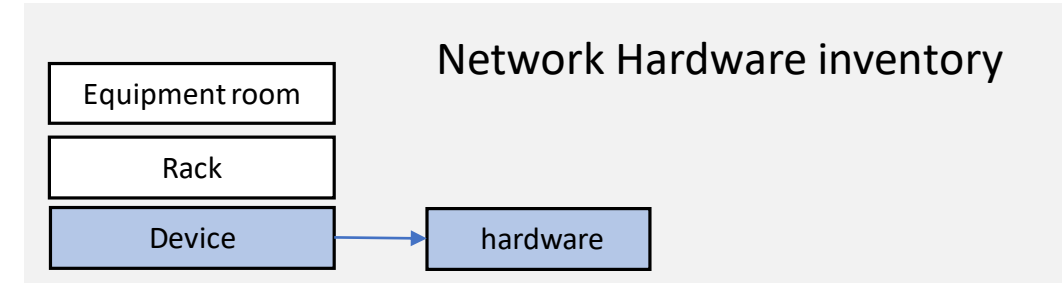
Common building blocks of three relevant work:
Software component/Hardware component



Software/Hardware components defined in draft-wzwb-opsawg-network-inventory-management aligns with openconfig-platfform model design and can be defined as common building block

Network inventory and Asset modelling Analysis

WG	Draft name	UC
CCAMP	draft-ietf-ccamp-network-inventory-yang	Network hardware inventory
OPSAWG	draft-palmero-opsawg-dmlmo	asset lifecycle management
OPSAWG	draft-wzwb-opsawg-network-inventory-management	Organization device (physical or virtual) inventory



Inconsistent terminology, when describing device hardware and software

- Suggest to define common inventory attributes to be reusable by other models, such as Asset module

Attributes in Asset LMO	Attributes in inventory model	
Role Boarder-router, access, control-plane, edge, core, datacenter, branch	site	?
aggregation		Inventory to cover
number-of-instances		Inventory to cover
platform-dependency-os	operating-system	better consistent
install-location	location	
deployment-mode Primary/secondary, cloud, virtual, container, undeployed	is-virtual?	Inventory to cover? Asset specific?
activation-date		asset specific?
software-version	software-rev	
Hotfixes	operating-system-patch	
software-type	software-component type	
sign-of-life-timestamp		asset specific?

Inventory definition overlap

1. Hardware inventory component can be generalized to include software components
2. Cable connection may need topology extension, so better based on RFC 8345 modeling

	draft-ietf-ccamp-network-inventory-yang	draft-wzwb-opsawg-network-inventory-management	Analysis
Overlap part	Device hardware Component	Device hardware &software component	1. Hardware inventory also cover IP network devices, IP devices can be physical or virtual, component can be generalized to include software components as “openconfig-platform” does 2. Optical network also has Controller network elements
Future extension	Cable connection between devices	Network topology showing physical link connection	1.Cable definition need topology relationship

Open issues

- Network inventory modelling
 - Option A: Two inventory: 1) CCAMP Network hardware inventory 2) OPSAWG Network hard and software inventory
 - Option B: A unique network inventory, as both modelling based on augmentation of RFC 8348 (ietf-hardware) and RFC 8345 (ietf-network-topology)
 - Option C: factor out common building block from opsawg hardware and software inventory and reuse it in both ccamp network hardware inventory model and opsawg hardware software inventory model draft.
- Asset lifecycle management
 - Device model reuse network inventory definitions to keep consistency

Comments, Questions, Concerns?