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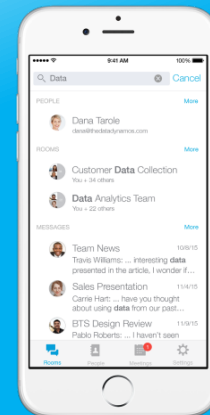
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# Python for the Enterprise

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# Agenda

- Programmability
- YANG
- NETCONF



# Who is this guy?

...and should I listen or look at my phone?

## Kevin Kuhls

1998 – Cisco Router

2002 – PIX Firewall

BIG LULL “honing skills”

2012 – DC Tech (UCS, Nexus, VMWare)

2014 – OpenStack, ACI

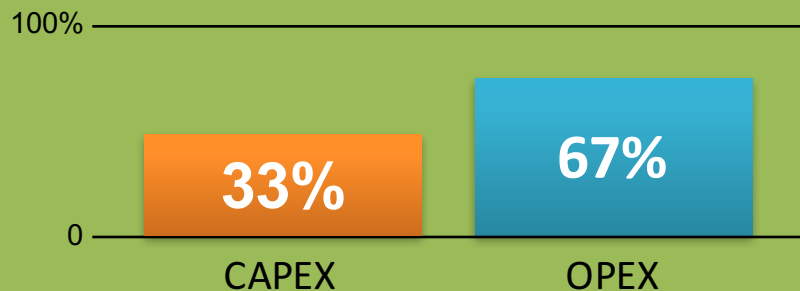
2015 – Network Programmability, SDN

Old Dog learning new tricks



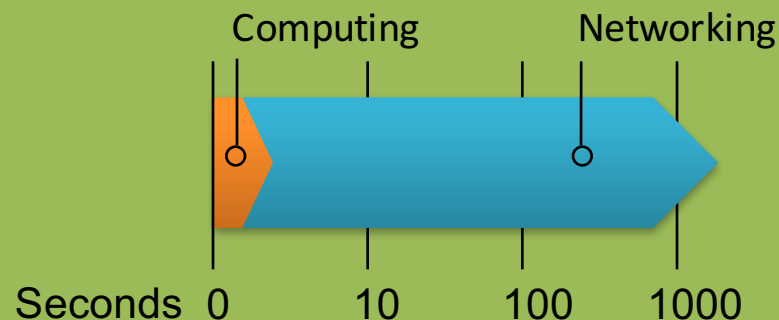
# Why Network Programmability Matters

## Network Expenses



Source: Forrester


## Deployment Speed



Source: Open Compute Project

# Configuration Management Today

**CLIs are for humans**



```
Mac:~ $ ssh admin@172.26.249.169
Password:
Switch#conf t
Enter configuration commands, one per line. End with CNTL/Z.
Switch(config)#
```

**Machines need APIs**  
**(Open Programmable Interfaces)**

# Configuration Management Today: CLI



Human  
Friendly

Task  
Oriented

Easy To  
Replay

No  
Special  
Tools



Syntax  
format  
changes

No  
Structured  
output

No Error  
Reporting

No  
Transaction



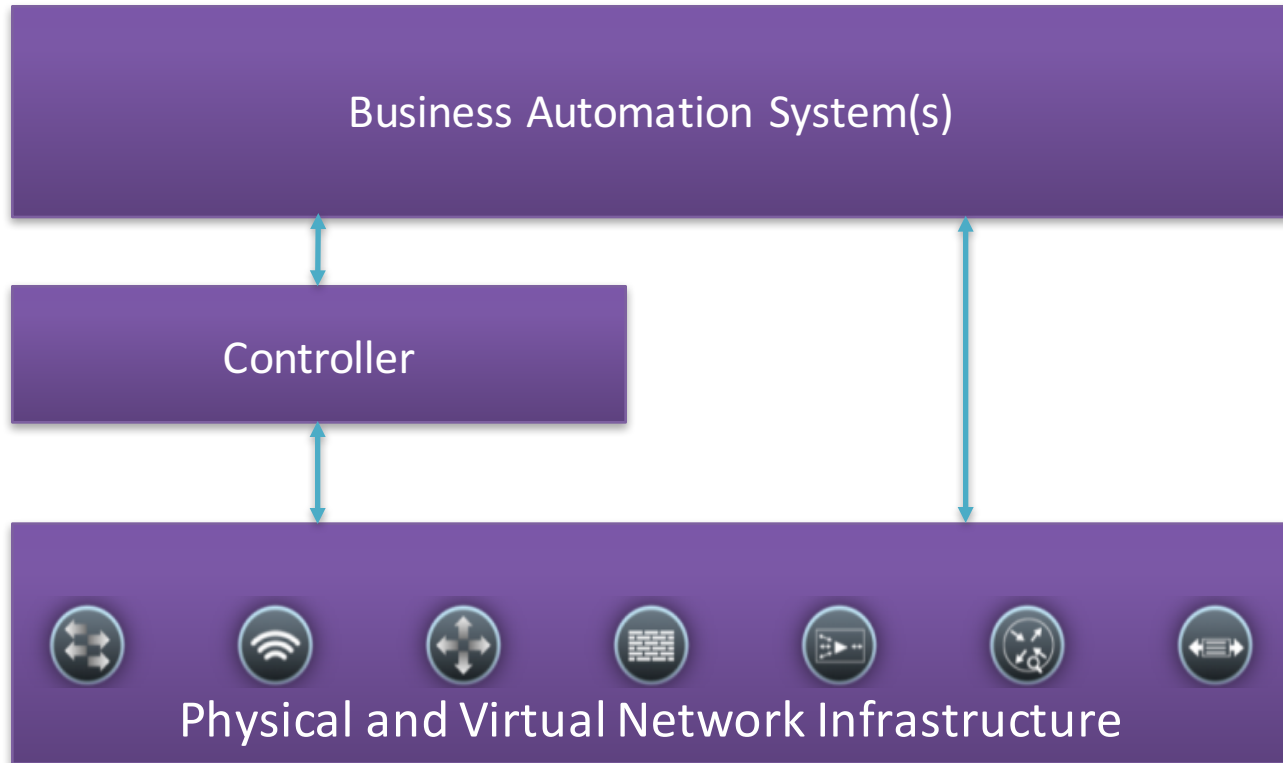
# APIs – Application Programming Interfaces

*“A **set of Function Calls** that allow talking to a system”*

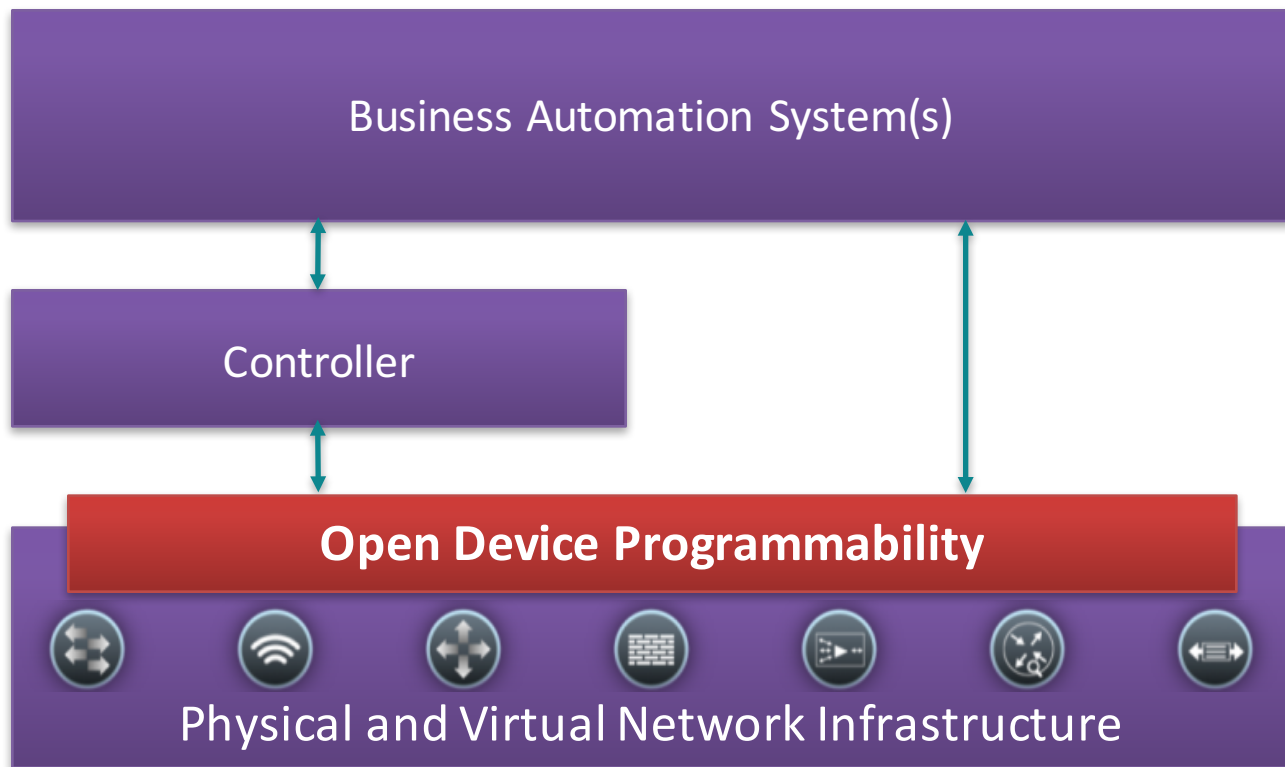
- Programming Building block
- APIs can have various **Properties**
  - **Transport** (SSH, HTTP)
  - **Encoding** (XML, JSON, ProtoBuffer)
  - **Data structure** (Data Models)
- Some **Examples** of APIs
  - The Twitter API
  - The Java API



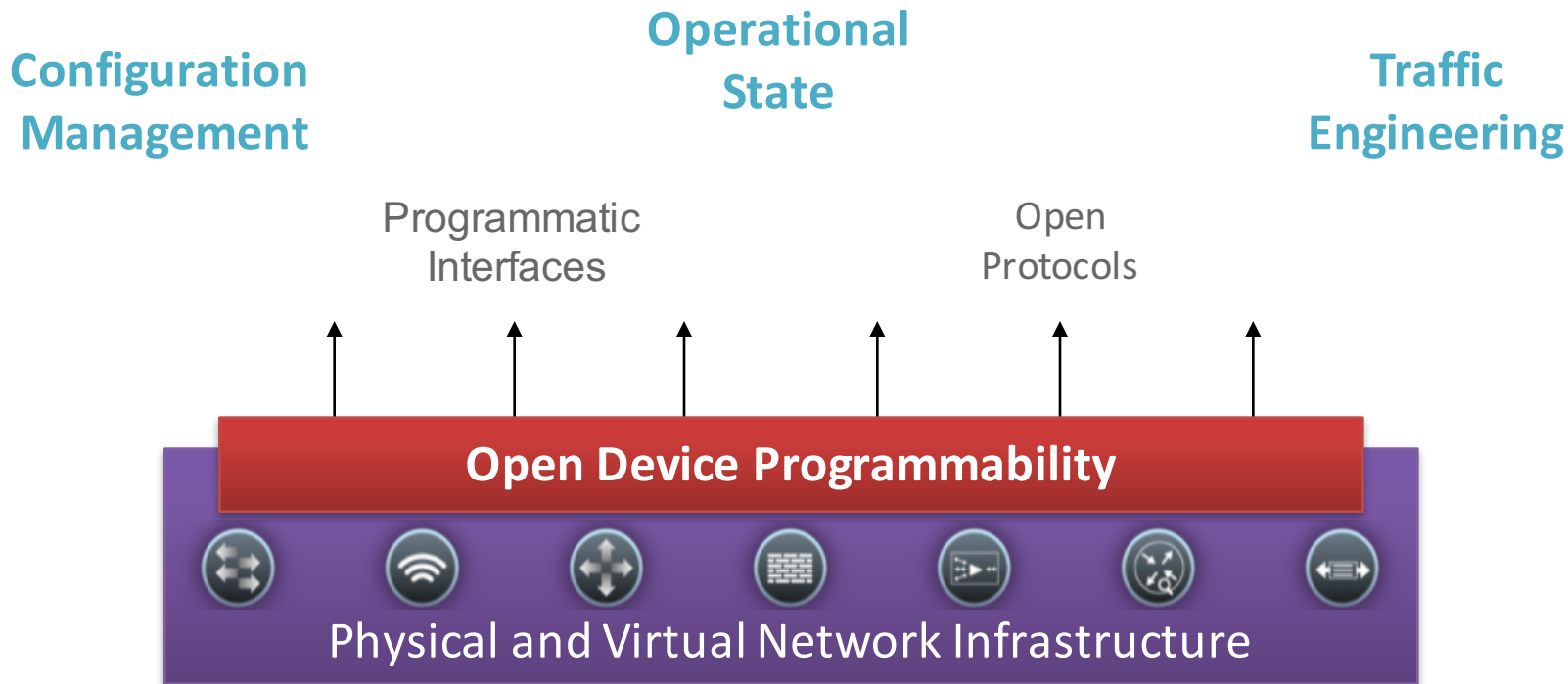
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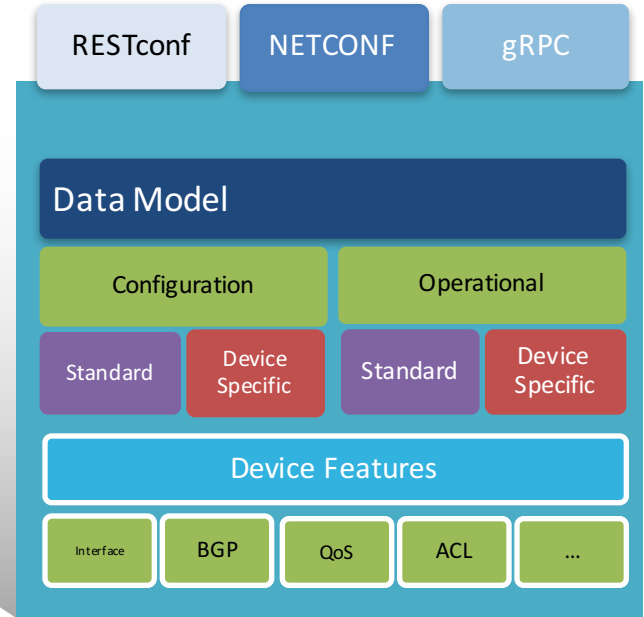
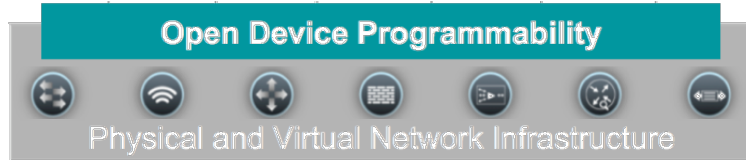
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# Implementation



# Why Data Models?

- Devices are self-describing
  - Including definition of constraints
- We can apply tool chains
- New protocols and encodings
- Explicitly and precisely **defines Data**
  - **Structure**
  - **Syntax**
  - **Semantics**
- Consistent and complete



# Use Cases

## SDN Controller Integration



Open SDN  
Controller



Configuration Mgmt

Access Control

Inventory / Topology

## Application Integration



Custom  
Application



Script Automation

DevOps

## OSS / BSS Integration



Configuration Mgmt

Service Provisioning

Fault Mgmt

# YANG



# Data Models

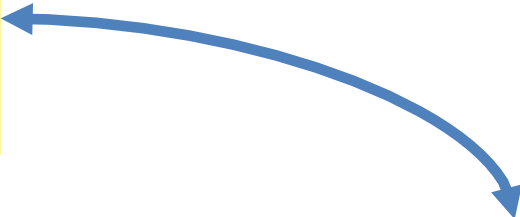
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## Interface Model **definition**

```
list interface {  
    key "interface-name";  
    leaf interface-name {  
        type string;  
    }  
    leaf speed {  
        type string;  
    }  
    leaf duplex {  
        type string;  
    }  
}
```

# YANG Data Model Structure

```
!  
interface GigabitEthernet0/0/0  
  description whatever  
  ip address 1.1.1.1 255.255.255.0  
  shutdown  
  negotiation auto  
end
```



- Look familiar?

- Description of all interfaces
  - Can be named, described, typed, enabled (or not), set for traps

```
module: ietf-interfaces  
  +--rw interfaces  
  |   +--rw interface* [name]  
  |     +--rw name                string  
  |     +--rw description?        string  
  |     +--rw type                 identityref  
  |     +--rw enabled?            boolean  
  |     +--rw link-up-down-trap-enable? enumeration {if-mib}?
```

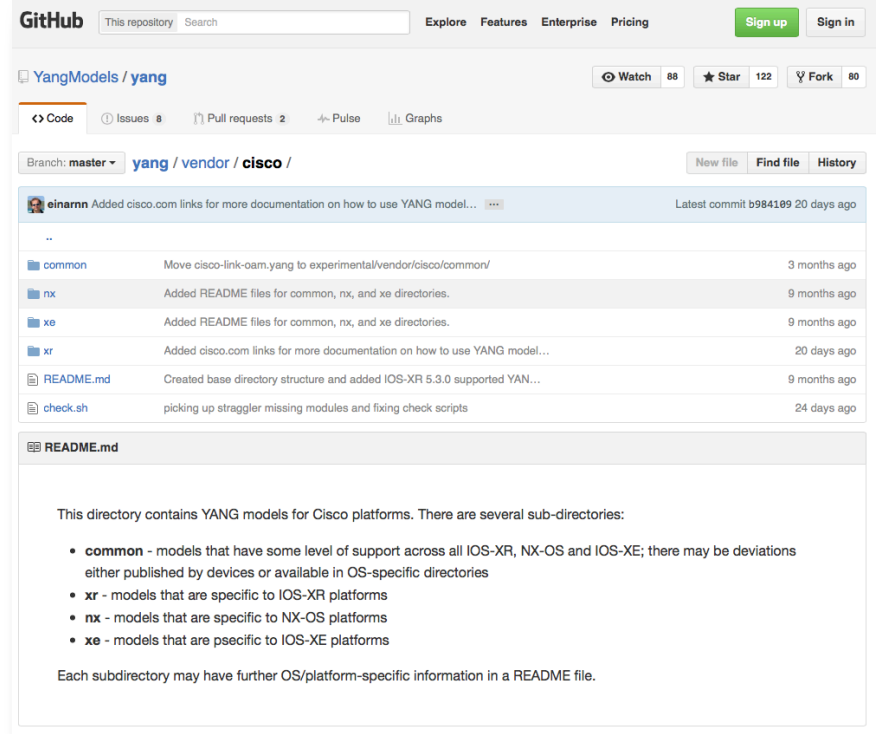
# Where to get the Models?

<https://github.com/YangModels/yang>

*“YANG modules from standard organizations such as the IETF, open source such as Open Daylight or vendor specific modules”*

<https://github.com/CiscoDevNet/xenetconf-yang> \*\*

During a lab, like here 😊



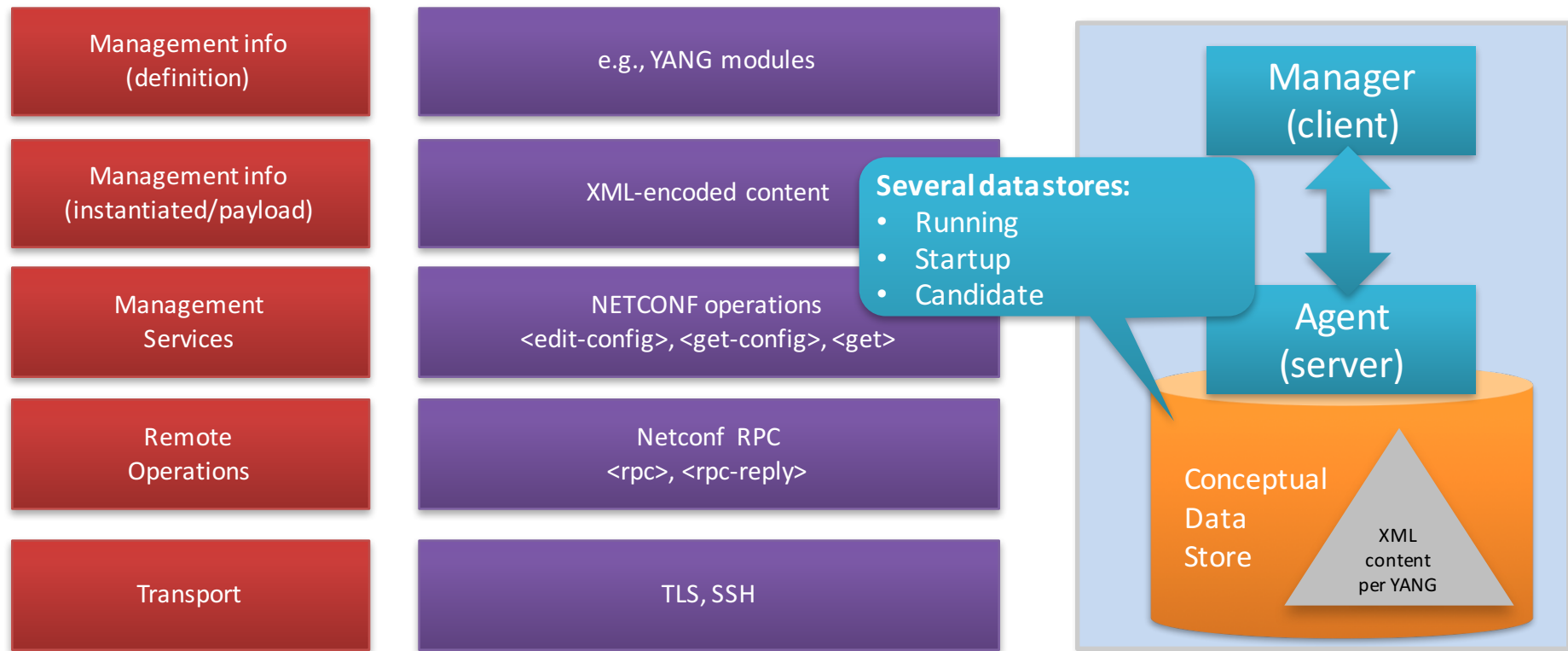
# Tools to work with YANG Models

- **pyang** 'An extensible YANG validator and converter in python'
  - <https://github.com/mbj4668/pyang>
  - Via PyPi: `pyang - A YANG (RFC 6020) validator and converter`
  - Mandatory tool 😊
- **YANG Explorer** 'An open-source YANG Browser and RPC Builder Application'
  - <https://github.com/CiscoDevNet/yang-explorer>
  - Web Based GUI
  - More difficult to get started with

Explorer	Values	Open
▼ ietf-interfaces@2013-12-23		
▼ interfaces		
▼ interface		
🔑 name	GigabitEthernet1	
🌿 description	Test	
🚩 type	ianaif:ethernetCsr	
🌿 enabled	true	
🌿 link-up-down-trap-enabled	<input type="text" value="enabled"/>	
▶ interfaces-state	enabled	
	disabled	

# NETCONF

# NETCONF Overview



# NETCONF Highlights



- **Transactional**

- Either **all** configuration is applied **or nothing**
- Avoids **inconsistent state**
- Both at **Single Device** and **Network-wide** level



- **Error** Management

- OK or error code



- **Capability** Exchange

```
ssh -p 830 admin@172.26.249.169 -s netconf
```



- **Models Download** from a Device

# NETCONF Capabilities

- How do I know what a box can support?

```
ssh -p 830 admin@o22-4451-1 -s netconf
```

- Many other ways too.
  - This is the capabilities exchange defined by the RFC
- Can I download all these models to help me code?

```
<get-schema  
  xmlns="urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:yang:ietf-netconf-  
monitoring">  
</get-schema>
```

- This is great for integrating.



# NETCONF Datastores – Target of Operations

*“A Datastore holds **a copy of the configuration data** that is required to get a device from its initial default state into a desired operational state”*



Running



running-config



Start-up



startup-config



Candidate

work place for creating and manipulating configuration data

**Running** is the **only mandatory** Datastore

# NETCONF Operations

Main Operations		Description
<code>&lt;get&gt;</code>	(close to 'show ?')	Retrieve running configuration and device state information
<code>&lt;get-config&gt;</code>	(close to 'show run')	Retrieve all or part of specified configuration datastore
<code>&lt;edit-config&gt;</code>	(close to 'conf t')	Loads all or part of a configuration to the specified configuration datastore

Other Operations		Description
<code>&lt;copy-config&gt;</code>		Replace an entire configuration datastore with another
<code>&lt;delete-config&gt;</code>		Delete a configuration datastore
<code>&lt;commit&gt;</code>		Copy candidate datastore to running datastore (ex: XR)
<code>&lt;lock&gt;</code> / <code>&lt;unlock&gt;</code>		Lock or unlock the entire configuration datastore system
<code>&lt;close-session&gt;</code>		Graceful termination of NETCONF session
<code>&lt;kill-session&gt;</code>		Forced termination of NETCONF session

# NETCONF Stack

```
<rpc message-id="101" xmlns="urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:netconf:base:1.0">
```

```
<get>
```

```
<filter>
```

```
<interfaces xmlns="urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:yang:ietf-interfaces">
```

```
<interface>
```

```
<name>GigabitEthernet1/0/1</name>
```

```
</interface>
```

```
</interfaces>
```

```
</filter>
```

```
</get>
```

```
</rpc>
```

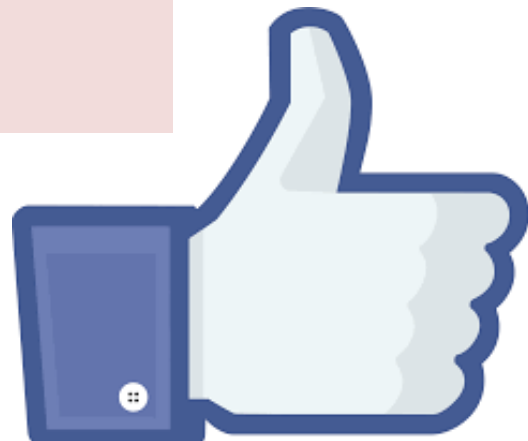
Message - RPC

Operation

Content

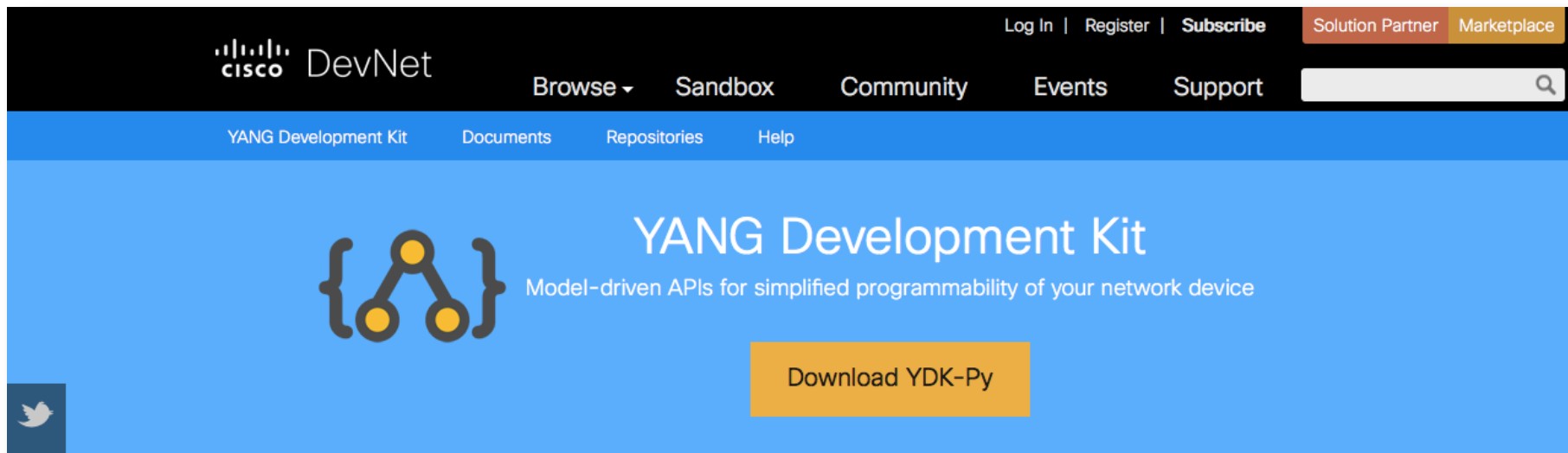
# Three Things to Like about NETCONF

1. Capability discovery, model download
2. Transactions
3. Notifications

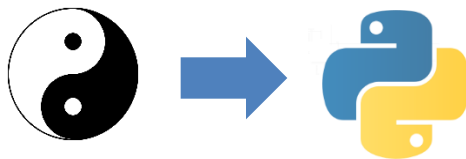


# YDK – The YANG Development Kit

<https://developer.cisco.com/site/ydk/>



YDK turns YANG models in  
Python classes



# Example Configure IPSLA

Using YDK



```
from ydk.models.ned import ned
from ydk.services import CRUDService
from ydk.providers import NetconfServiceProvider
from ydk.types import Empty
```

```
cs = CRUDService()
```

```
ne = NetconfServiceProvider(address="127.0.0.1", port=830, username="admin", password="cisco")
ipsla_cfg = ned.Native.Ip.Sla()
```

```
ipsla_entry = ned.Native.Ip.Sla.Entry()
icmp_echo = ned.Native.Ip.Sla.Entry.IcmpEcho()
icmp_echo.destination = "8.8.8.8"
ipsla_entry.number = 2
ipsla_entry.icmp_echo = icmp_echo
```

```
schedule = ned.Native.Ip.Sla.Schedule()
schedule.entry_number = 2
schedule.life = ned.Native.Ip.Sla.Schedule.LifeEnum.FOREVER
start_time = ned.Native.Ip.Sla.Schedule.StartTime()
start_time.now = Empty()
schedule.start_time = start_time
```

```
ipsla_cfg.entry.append(ipsla_entry)
ipsla_cfg.schedule.append(schedule)
```

```
cs.create(ne, ipsla_cfg)
```

All the model XML becomes  
Python object code

Creates the  
XML...

...Performs the  
NETCONF  
<edit-config>

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# Thank you



# Building the Environment

This is a rough guideline how to bring up / prepare the entire environment.

- Git client
- VirtualBox 5.0.28
- Docker 1.13.1
- Vagrant 1.8.7 (be aware of [this issue](#))
- cdrtools (in particular mkisofs)
- a build environment (e.g. compiler, make, ...), suggest to use MacPorts or Brew if running on a Mac
- Clone the iso-xrv-x64-vbox repository [from GitHub](#)
- IOS XE image from Cisco.com (e.g. [here](#), then go to *IOS XE Software* and download the Denali-16.5.2 .iso file in the *Latest* tree branch, ~350MB in size)

# Building the Environment (cont)

## Building the Vagrant Box

- Go to the directory where you cloned the iso-xrv-x64-vbox repository. Start the Vagrant box image build by running the following command
- `iosxe_iso2vbox.py -v ~/Downloads/csr1000v-universalk9.16.05.02.iso`
- This will take a while. When done, you need to install the resulting box into Vagrant:
- `vagrant box add --name iosxe csr1000v-universalk9.16.05.02.box`
- (See the output at the end of the script. It has the exact location of the generated box file and also the command to add / replace the Vagrant box file).

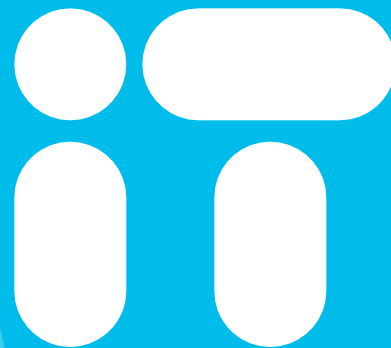
# Configure and Start Routers

The next steps are required to prepare configuration disks for the routers

- Clone this repo from GitHub into a new directory:  
<https://github.com/kuhlskev/devnet1002>
- Make sure that the Vagrant box name matches the one configured in the Vagrant file
- Ensure you have the required tools installed
- run make to create the ISO files with the router configurations
- Bring up the routers using vagrant up (brings up both) or vagrant up rtr1 to only start rtr1



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