

# Deep Dive into Neutron

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# caveats

- developers oriented
  - many codes and UML diagrams
- the snapshot of current neutron code
  - evolution of neutron codes will obsolete some contents of this presentation

# Coming sessions about Neutron

- Load balancing in neutron

Thursday November 7, 2013 4:30pm - 5:10pm, SkyCity Grand Ballroom C (SkyCity Marriott Hotel)

- How to Write a Neutron Plugin, If You Really Need to

Thursday November 7, 2013 5:20pm - 6:00pm ,SkyCity Grand Ballroom C (SkyCity Marriott Hotel)

- OpenStack Neutron Modular Layer 2 Plugin Deep Dive

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- Neutron Hybrid Deployment and Performance Analysis

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- Neutron Network Namespaces and IPtables: Technical Deep Dive

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# related skills

- **WSGI**

WSGI is the Web Server Gateway Interface. It is a specification for web servers and application servers to communicate with web applications.

- **paste deploy**

Paste Deployment is a system for finding and configuring WSGI applications and servers. The primary interaction with Paste Deploy is through its configuration files.

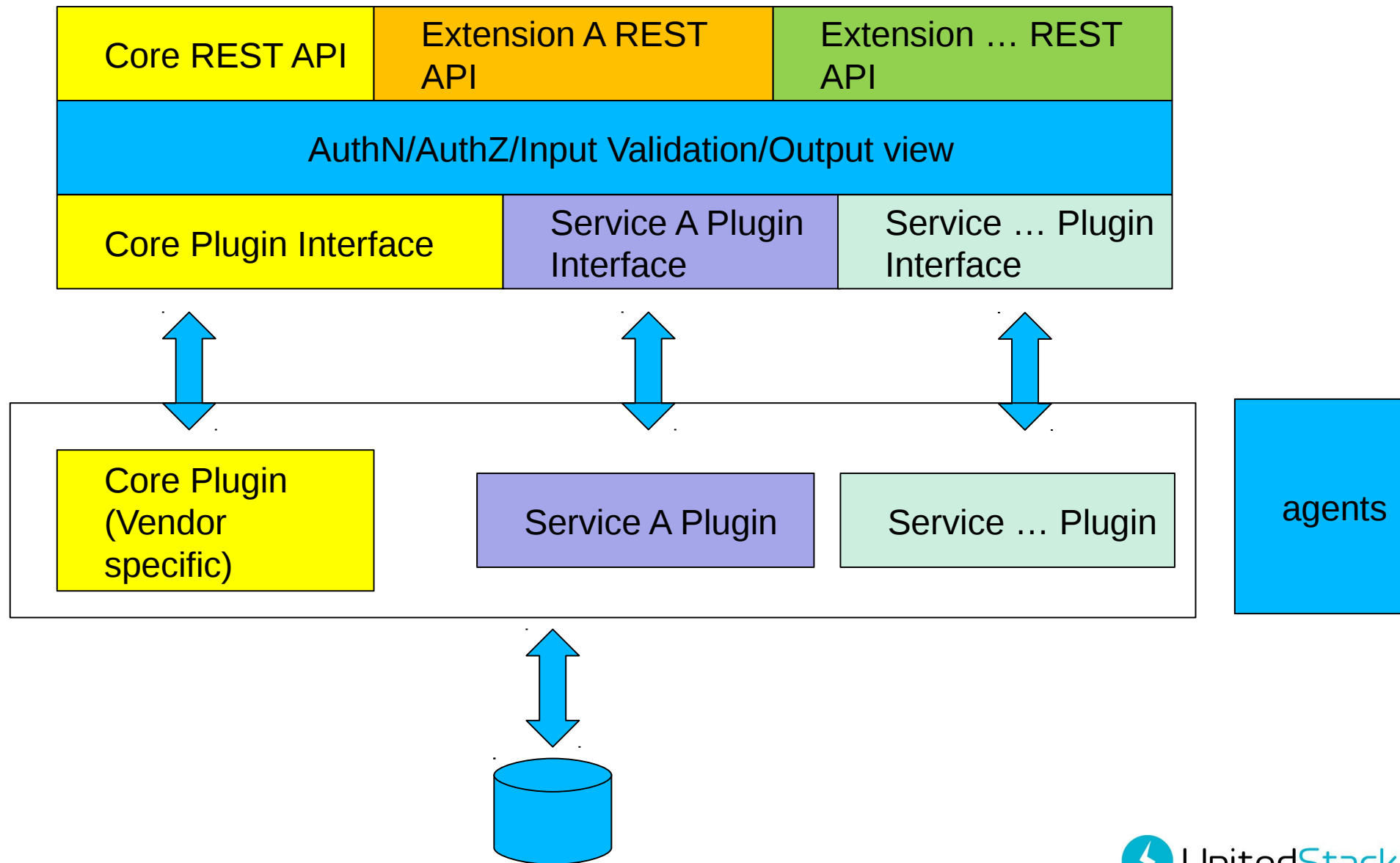
- **Python Routes**

Routes is a Python re-implementation of the Rails routes system for mapping URLs to application actions, and conversely to generate URLs. Routes makes it easy to create pretty and concise URLs that are RESTful with little effort.

- **peCan**

Will we change to pecan? see design summit session [Neutron API Framework Replacement](#)

# Layer diagram of Neutron server



# paste application and filters

```
[composite:neutron]  
use = egg:Paste#urlmap  
/: neutronversions  
/v2.0: neutronapi_v2_0
```

```
[composite:neutronapi_v2_0]  
use = call:neutron.auth:pipeline_factory  
keystone = authtoken keystonecontext extensions neutronapiapp_v2_0
```

```
[filter:keystonecontext]  
paste.filter_factory = neutron.auth:NeutronKeystoneContext.factory
```

```
[filter:authtoken]  
paste.filter_factory = keystoneclient.middleware.auth_token:filter_factory
```

```
[filter:extensions]  
paste.filter_factory =  
neutron.api.extensions:plugin_aware_extension_middleware_factory
```

```
[app:neutronversions]  
paste.app_factory = neutron.api.versions:Versions.factory
```

```
[app:neutronapiapp_v2_0]  
paste.app_factory = neutron.api.v2.router:APIRouter.factory
```

# main entry point

## neutron/server/\_\_init\_\_.py: main()

1.config.parse(sys.argv[1:]) ← --config-file neutron.conf --config-file xxx.ini

2.neutron/common/config.py:load\_paste\_app("neutron")

2.1 neutron/auth.py:pipeline\_factory()

2.1.1 neutron/api/v2/router.py:APIRouter.factory()

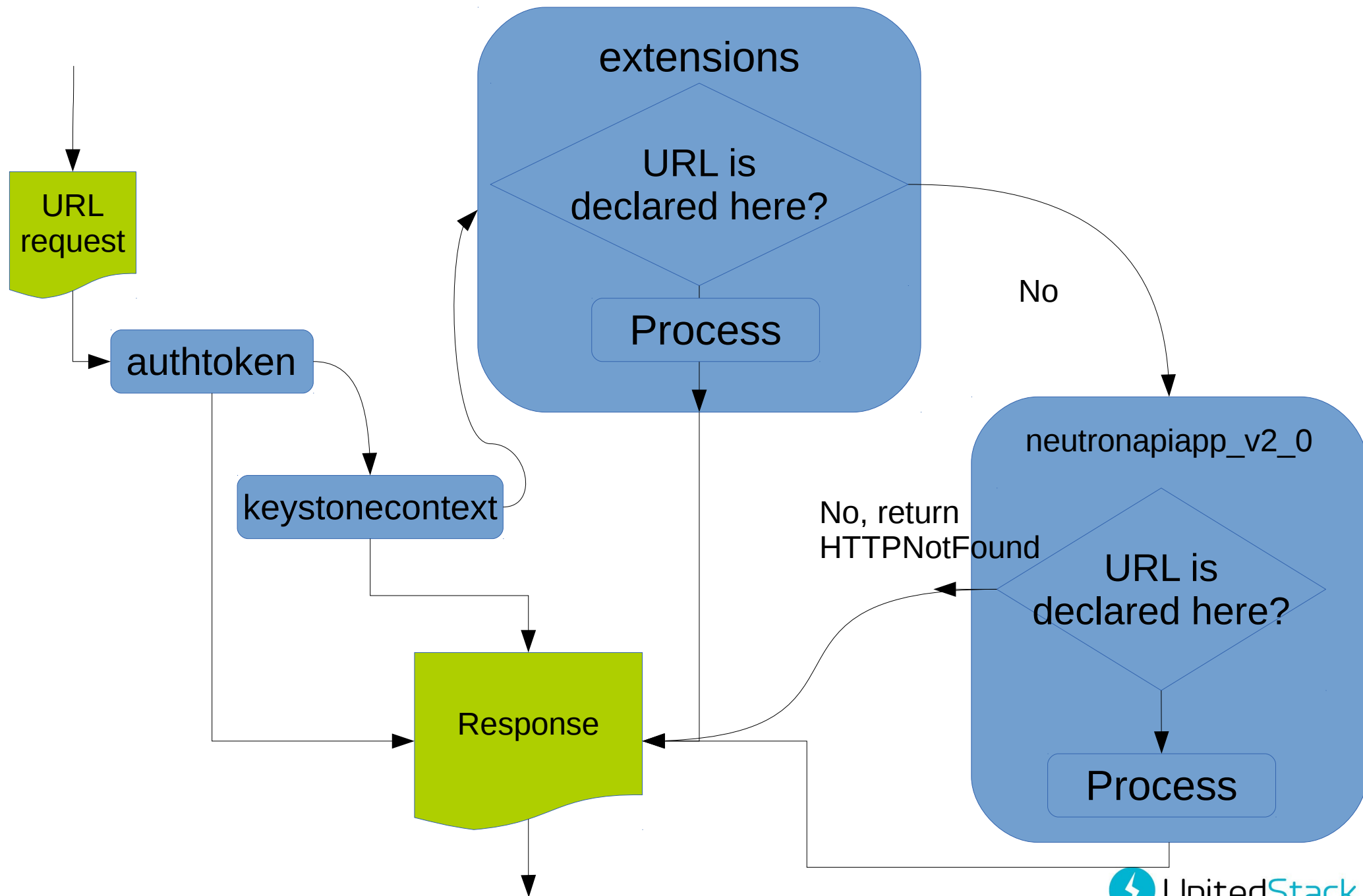
2.1.2 neutron/api/extensions.py:  
plugin\_aware\_extension\_middleware\_factory()

2.1.3 neutron.auth:NeutronKeystoneContext.factory()

2.1.4 keystoneclient.middleware.auth\_token:filter\_factory()



# filters and application pipeline



# neutronapiapp\_v2\_0: load plugins

neutron/api/v2/router.py:APIRouter.factory()

1. `__init__()`

1.1 `plugin = manager.NeutronManager.get_plugin()`

1.1.1 `neutron/manager.py:__init__()`

A 1.1.1.1 create core plugin instance

B 1.1.1.2

`neutron/manager.py:_load_service_plugins()`

neutron.conf:

`service_plugins = ...`

`core_plugin = neutron.plugins.ml2.plugin.Ml2Plugin`

```
NeutronManager
:service_plugins =
{"CORE": ml2_plugin,
 "LOADBALANCER":xxx,
 ...}
```

# what are plugins and extensions

- extensions are about resources and the actions on them

```
@classmethod
def get_resources(cls):
    for resource_name in ['router', 'floatingip']:
        ...
        controller = base.create_resource(
            collection_name, resource_name, plugin...)

    ex = ResourceExtension(collection_name, controller,
member_actions...)
```

- plugins are used to support the resources

```
supported_extension_aliases = ["router", "ext-gw-mode",
                               "extraroute",
                               "l3_agent_scheduler"]
def update_router(self, context, id, router):
def get_router(self, context, id, fields=None):
```

# neutronapiapp\_v2\_0: load extensions

```
neutron/api/v2/router.py:APIRouter.factory()
```

```
1. __init__()
```

```
1.1 plugin = manager.NeutronManager.get_plugin()
```

```
1.2 extensions.PluginAwareExtensionManager.get_instance()
```

```
1.2.1 extensions.py:get_extensions_path()
```

```
1.2.2 PluginAwareExtensionManager.__init__(paths, plugins)
```

```
1.2.2.1 _load_all_extensions()
```

```
for each path in paths
```

```
    _load_all_extensions_from_path(path
```

```
        )
        add_extension(ext)
```

```
        _check_extension(ext)
```

neutron standard  
extension plus ones  
specified by  
`api_extensions_path=` in  
`neutron.conf`

1. check if the potential extension has implemented the needed functions
2. check if one of plugins supports it. plugin's `supported_extension_aliases` attribute defines what extensions it supports.

check each python module name  
under the path, and capitalize the  
first letter of the module name to  
find the class in it, excluding the  
modules starting with "\_".

# neutronapiapp\_v2\_0: install core resources

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neutron/api/v2/router.py:APIRouter.factory()
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1.3 install core resources
```



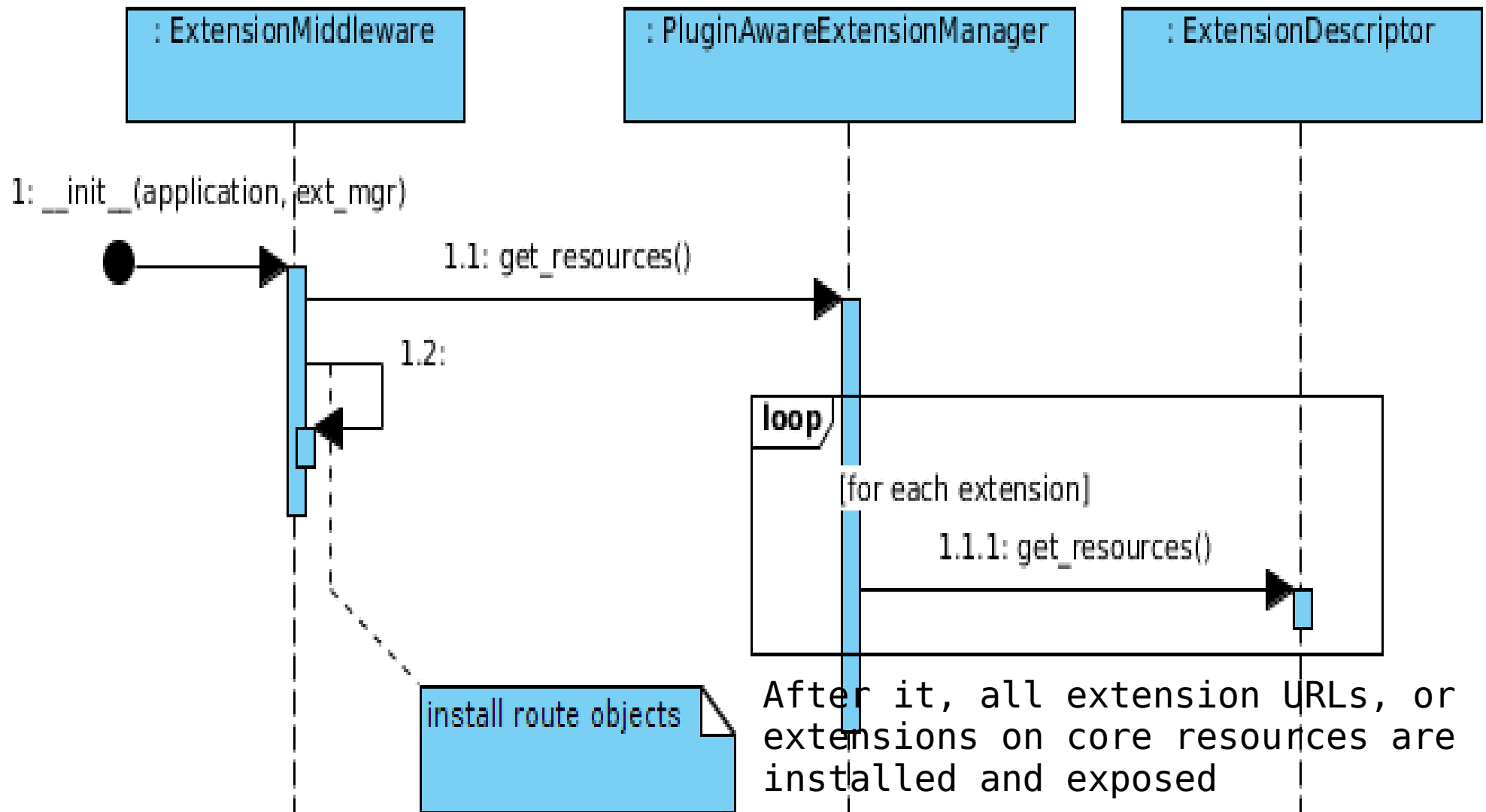
```
neutron/api/v2/router.py:
```

```
RESOURCES = {'network': 'networks',  
             'subnet': 'subnets',  
             'port': 'ports'}
```

After it, core resources URLs, i.e. Core Resource API, are installed and exposed.

# extension filter: assemble extensions

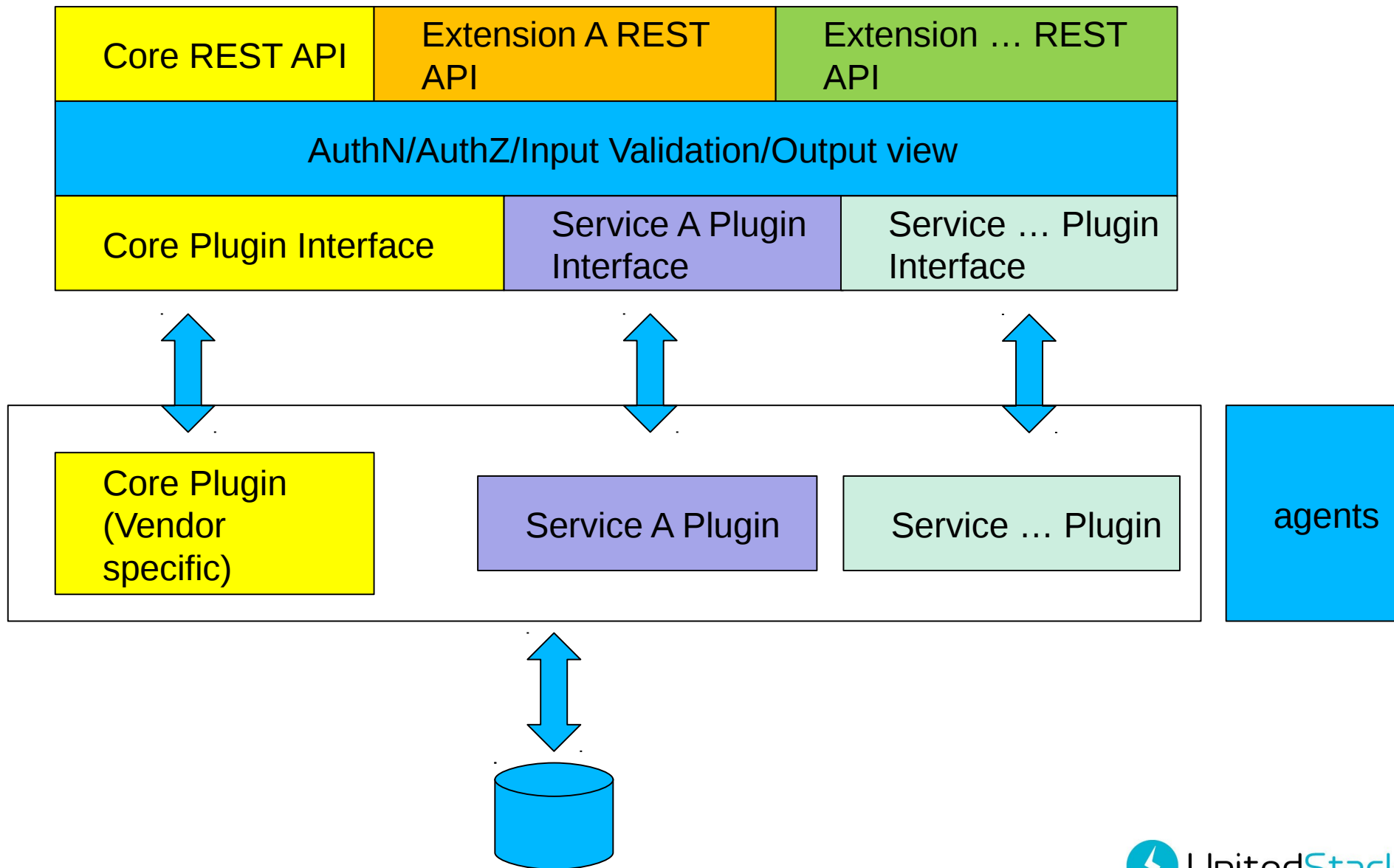
```
2.1.2 neutron/api/extensions.py:plugin_aware_extension_middleware_factory()  
    ext_mgr = PluginAwareExtensionManager.get_instance()  
    return ExtensionMiddleware(app, ext_mgr=ext_mgr)
```



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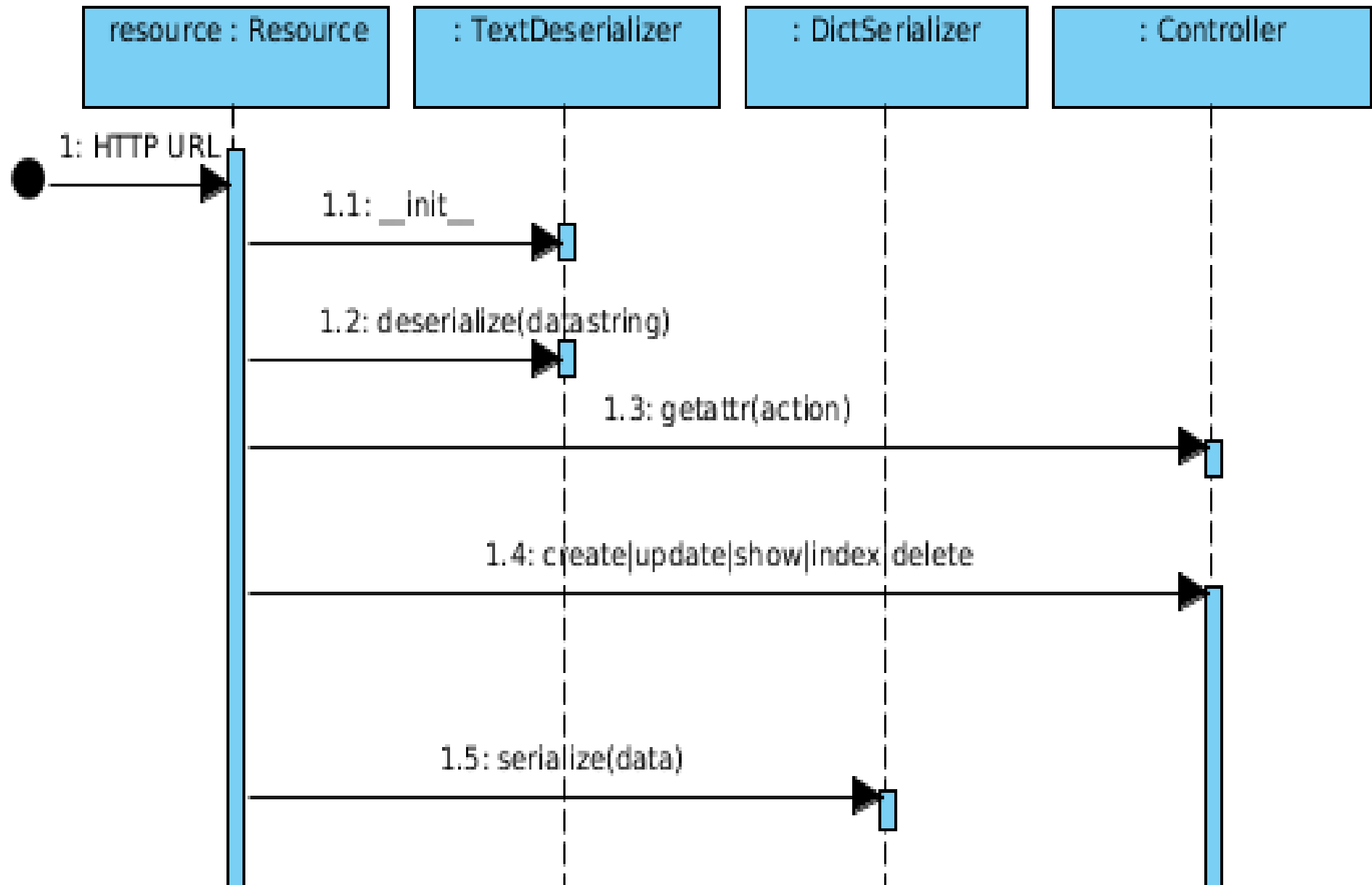
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# Layer diagram

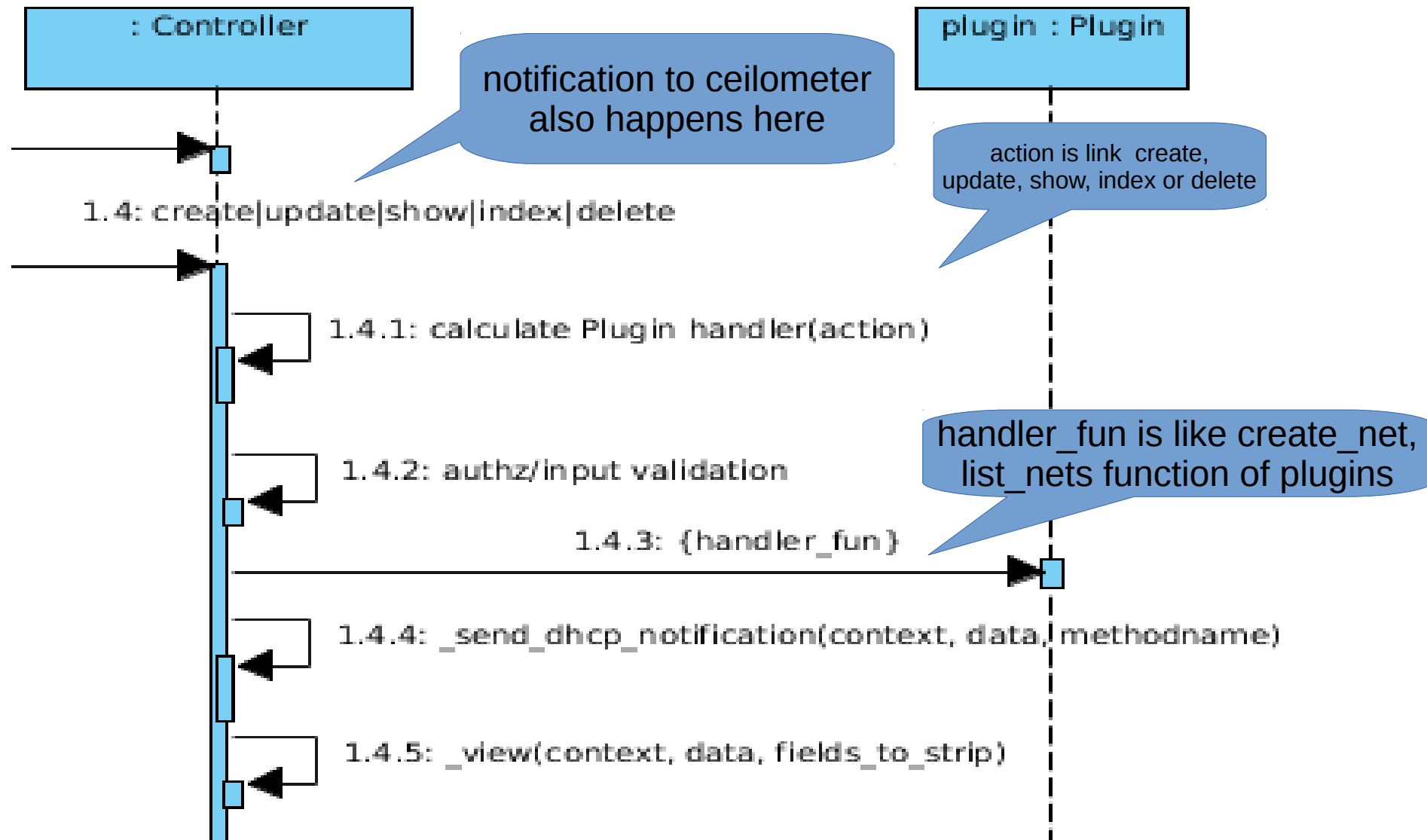




# URL processing (major steps)



# URL processing continued



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# ML2 Plugin

- simultaneously utilize the variety of layer 2 networking technologies found in complex real-world data centers
- It currently works with the existing openvswitch, linuxbridge, and hyperv L2 agents
- The ml2 framework is also intended to greatly simplify adding support for new L2 networking technologies
- consists of network types and mechanisms

# Type and mechanism drivers in setup.cfg

```
neutron.ml2.type_drivers =
```

```
flat = neutron.plugins.ml2.drivers.type_flat:FlatTypeDriver
```

```
local = neutron.plugins.ml2.drivers.type_local:LocalTypeDriver
```

```
vlan = neutron.plugins.ml2.drivers.type_vlan:VlanTypeDriver
```

```
gre = neutron.plugins.ml2.drivers.type_gre:GreTypeDriver
```

```
vxlan = neutron.plugins.ml2.drivers.type_vxlan:VxlanTypeDriver
```

```
neutron.ml2.mechanism_drivers =
```

```
linuxbridge = neutron.plugins.ml2.drivers.mech_linuxbridge:LinuxbridgeMechanismDriver
```

```
openvswitch = neutron.plugins.ml2.drivers.mech_openvswitch:OpenvswitchMechanismDriver
```

```
hyperv = neutron.plugins.ml2.drivers.mech_hyperv:HypervMechanismDriver
```

```
ncs = neutron.plugins.ml2.drivers.mechanism_ncs:NCSMechanismDriver
```

```
arista = neutron.plugins.ml2.drivers.mech_arista.mechanism_arista:AristaDriver
```

```
cisco_nexus = neutron.plugins.ml2.drivers.cisco.mech_cisco_nexus:CiscoNexusMechanismDriver
```

```
l2population = neutron.plugins.ml2.drivers.l2pop.mech_driver:L2populationMechanismDriver
```

# Configuration for types in ml2.ini

```
neutron-server --config-file /etc/neutron/neutron.conf --config-file  
/etc/neutron/ml2.ini
```

```
[ml2]  
type_drivers = local,flat,vlan,gre,vxlan  
mechanism_drivers = openvswitch,linuxbridge  
tenant_network_types = vlan,gre,vxlan
```

```
[ml2_type_flat]  
flat_networks = physnet1,physnet2
```

```
[ml2_type_vlan]  
network_vlan_ranges = physnet1:1000:2999,physnet2
```

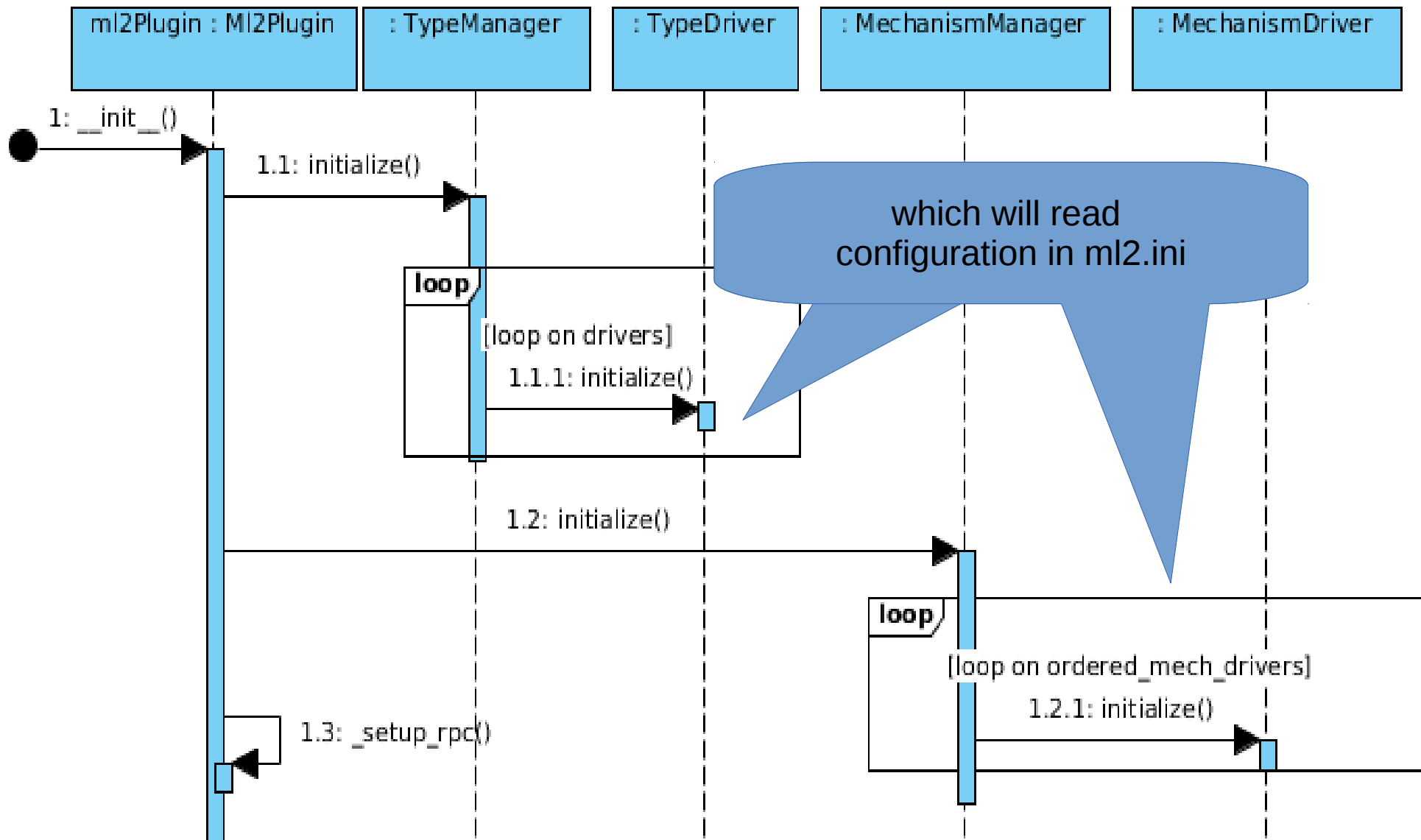
```
[ml2_type_gre]  
tunnel_id_ranges = 1:1000
```

```
[ml2_type_vxlan]  
vni_ranges = 1001:2000
```

# \_\_init\_\_ of ML2

neutron/manager.py: \_\_init\_\_()

create core plugin instance [core\_plugin=]

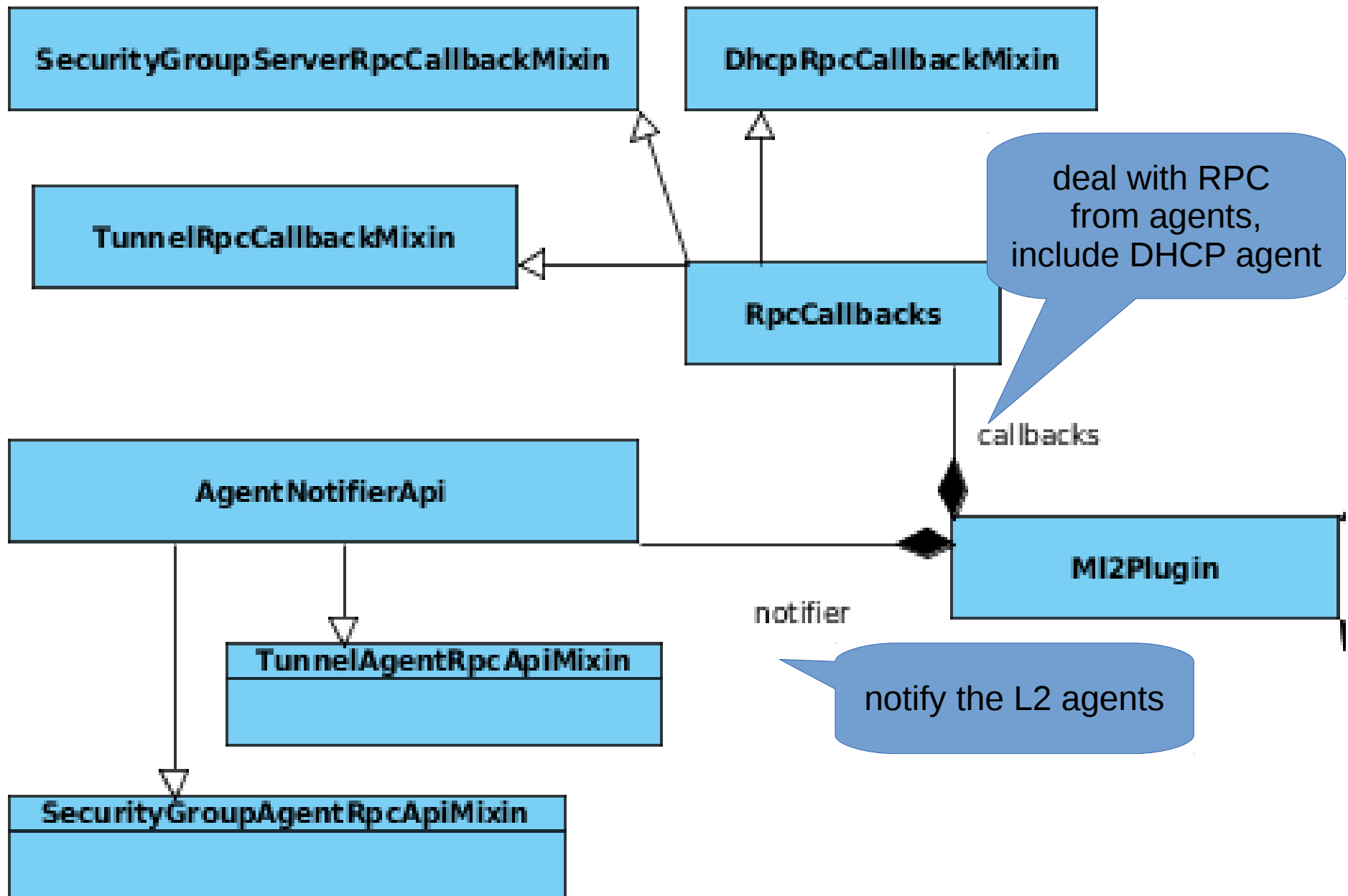


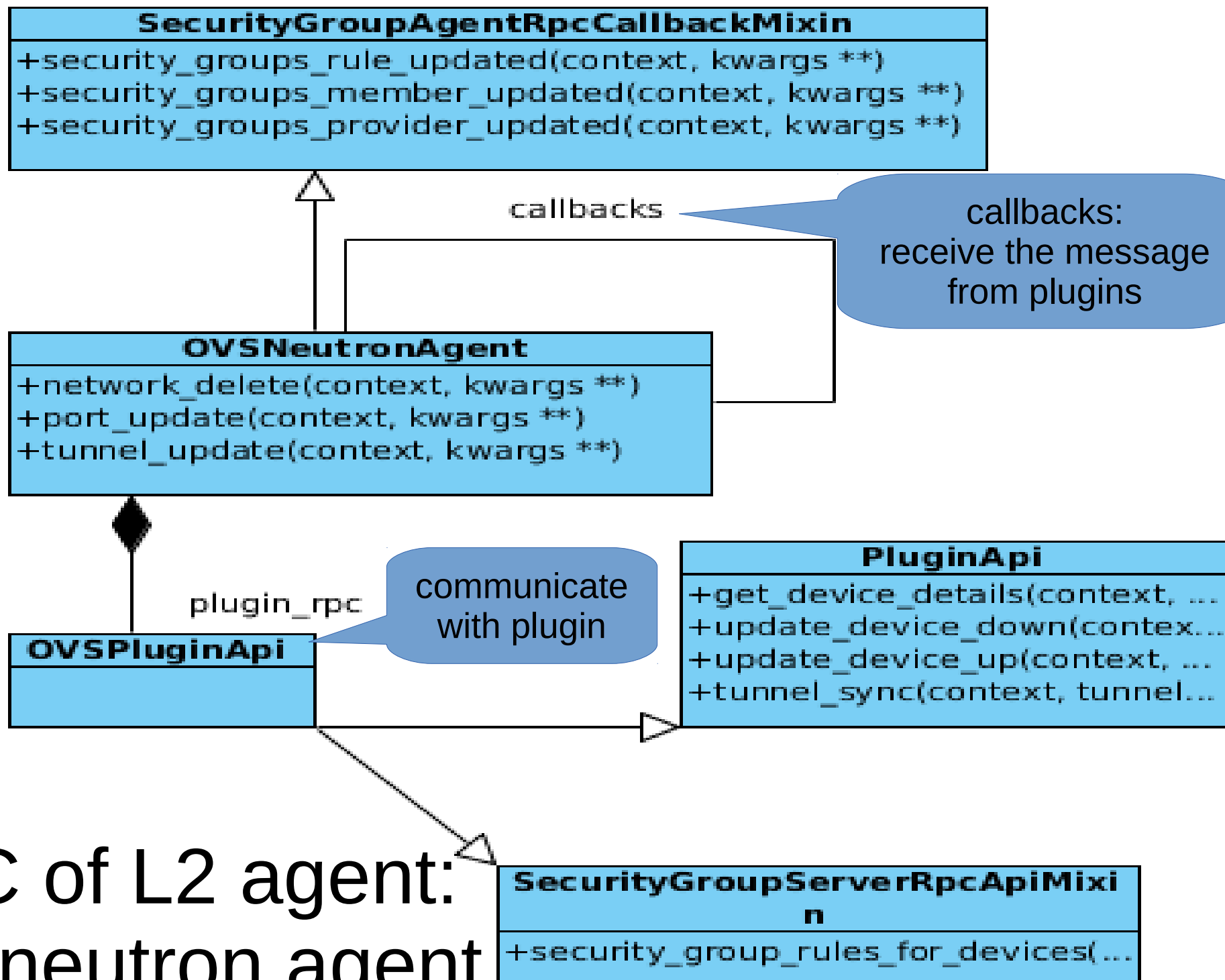
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# RPC structure of ML2

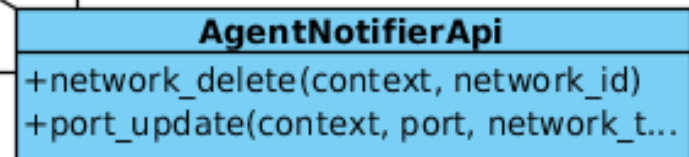
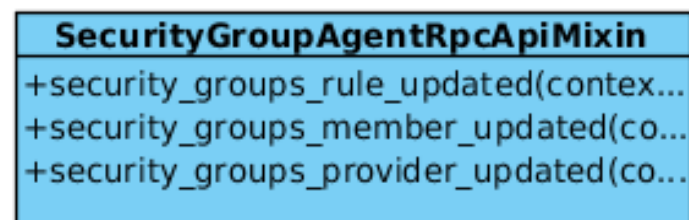
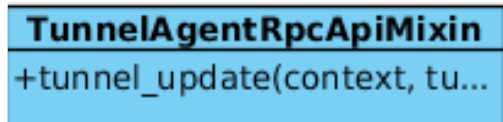




RPC of L2 agent:  
ovs neutron agent

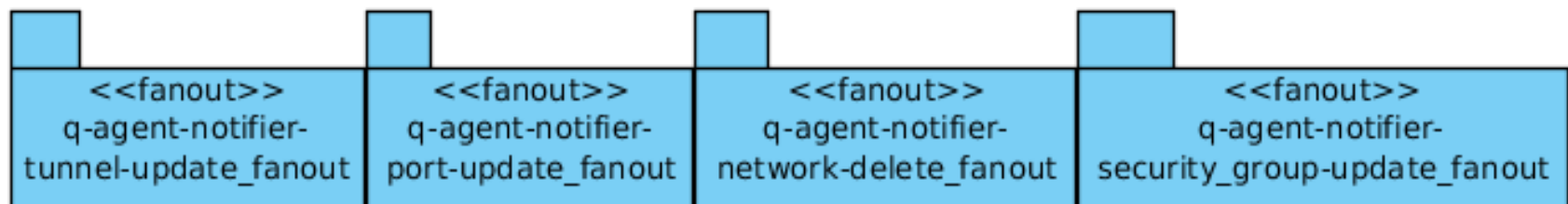
# messages: Plugin to agent

Plugins

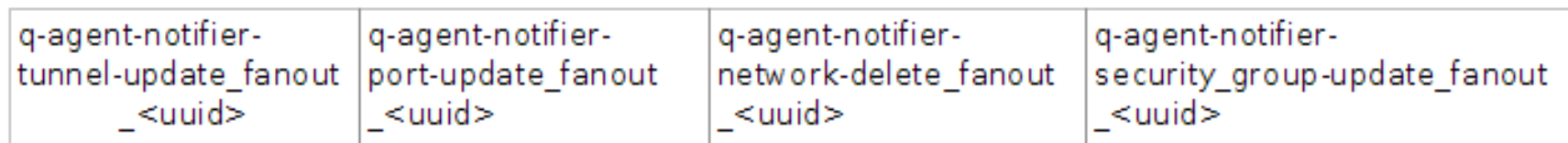


notifier

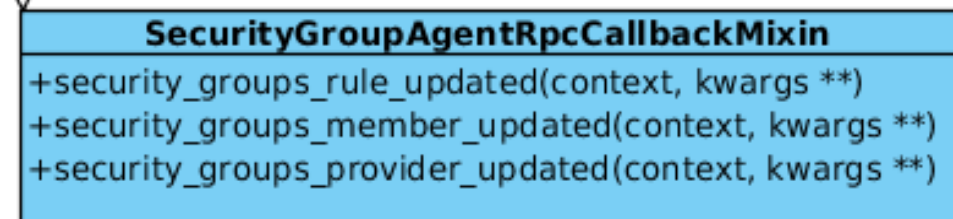
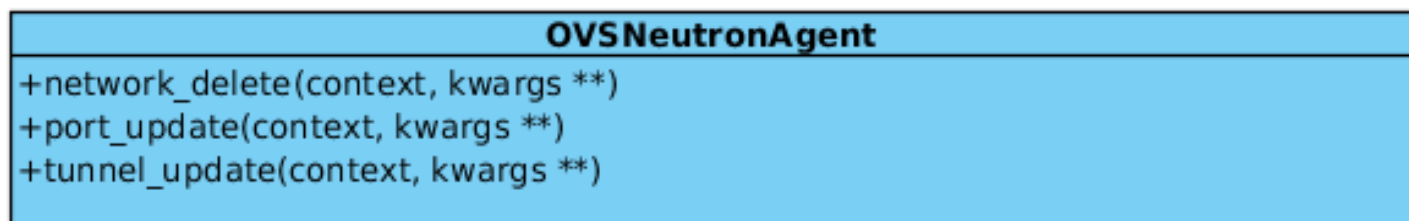
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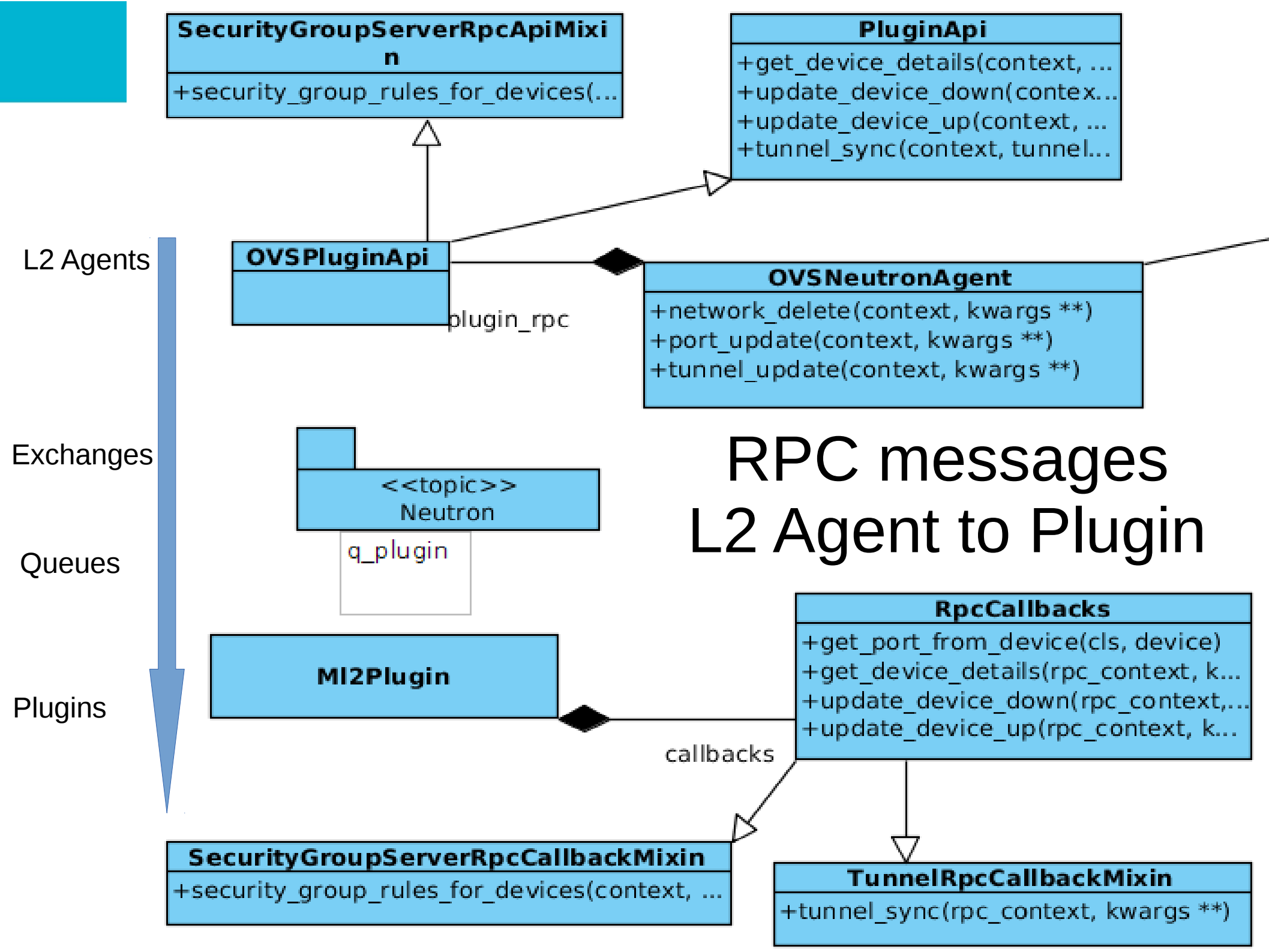


Queues

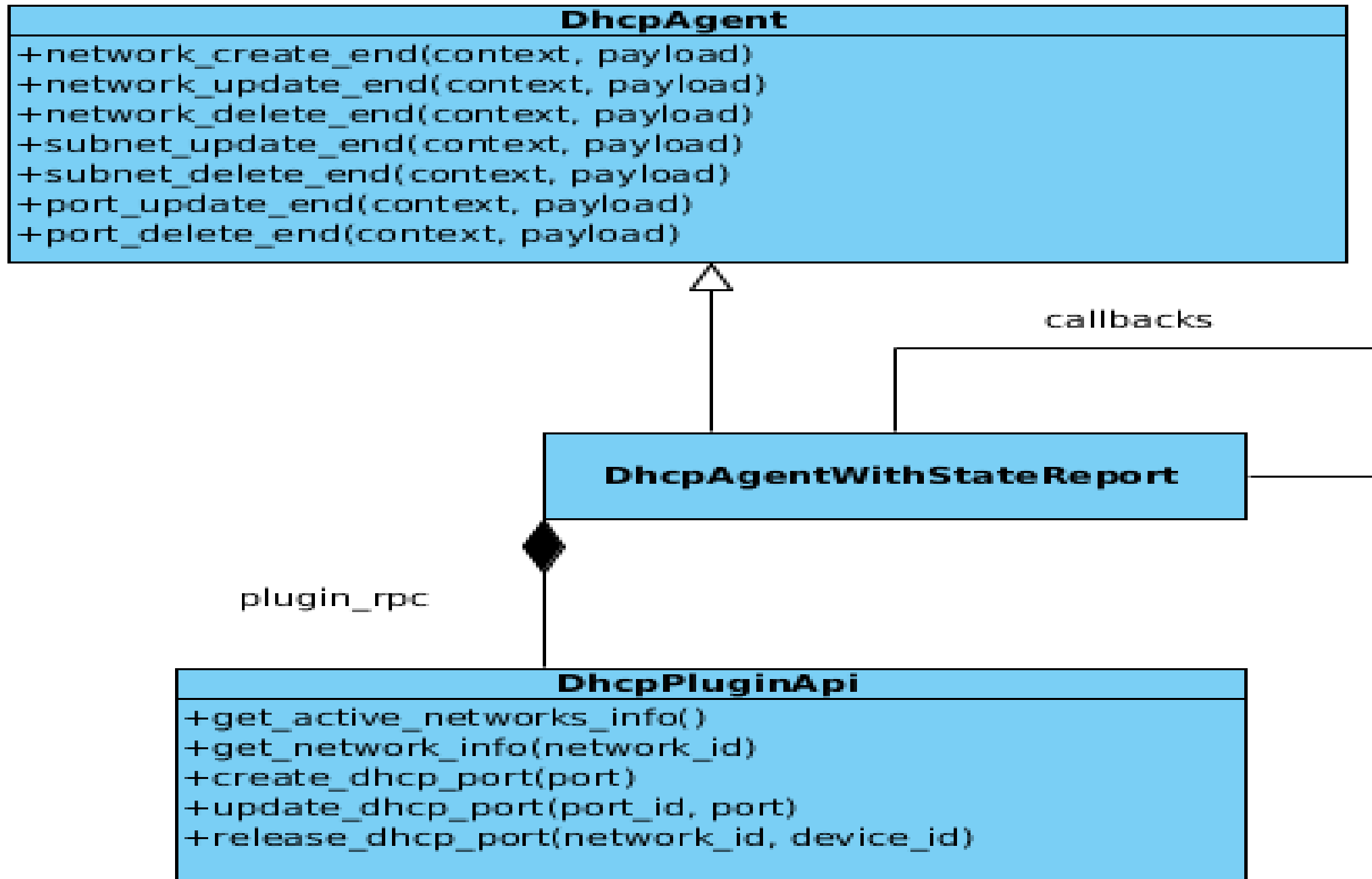


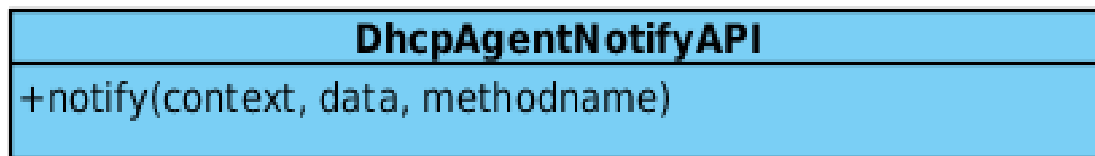
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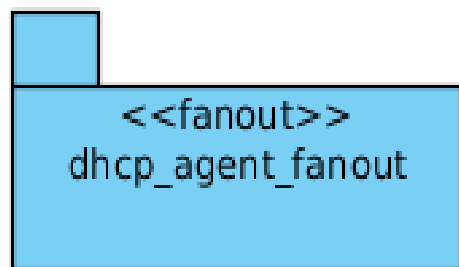


# RPC structure of DHCP agent



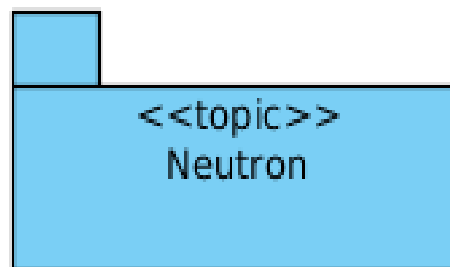


Neutron  
Server



Exchanges

`dhcp_agent_fanout  
_<uuid>`



`dhcp_agent.  
<host>`

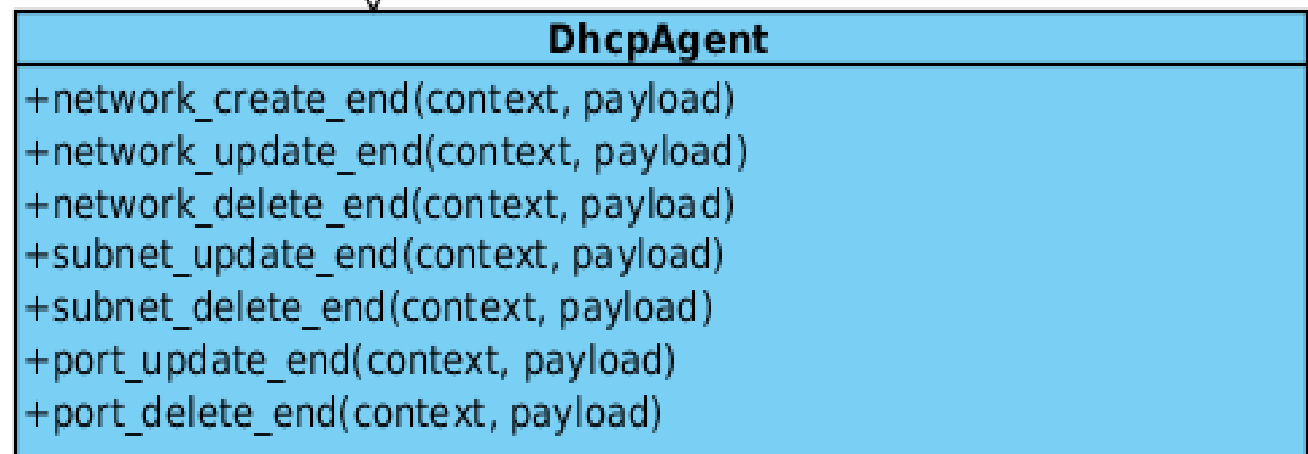
`'network.create.end',  
'network.update.end',  
'network.delete.end',  
'subnet.create.end', 'subnet.  
update.end', 'subnet.delete.  
end', 'port.create.end',  
'port.update.end', 'port.  
delete.end'`

Queues



Messages from Neutron  
server to DHCP agent

DHCP  
Agents



# RPC messages

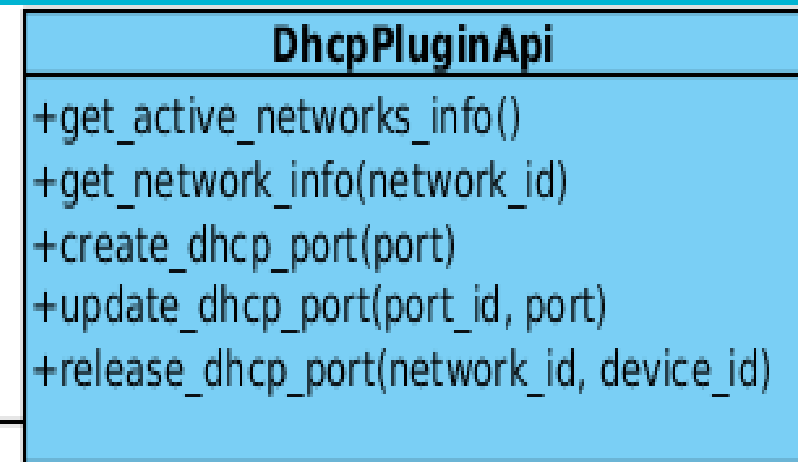
## DHCP Agent to Plugin

DHCP  
Agents

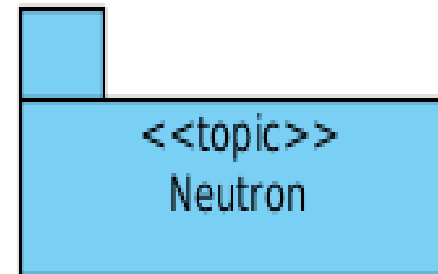
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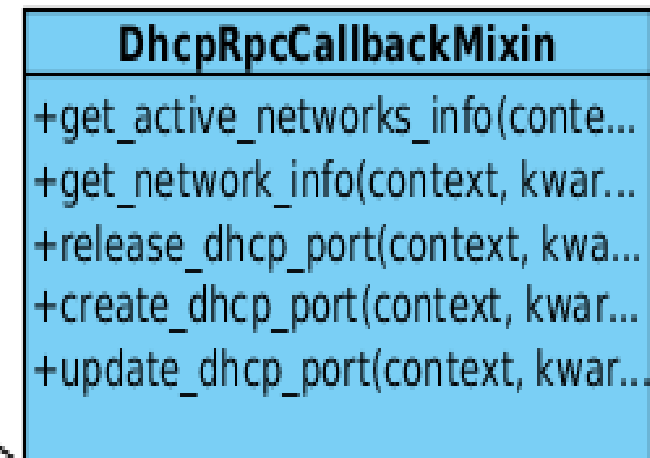
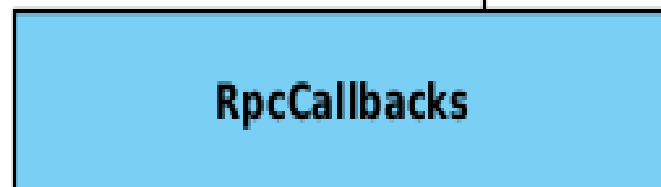
plugin\_rpc



q\_plugin



callbacks



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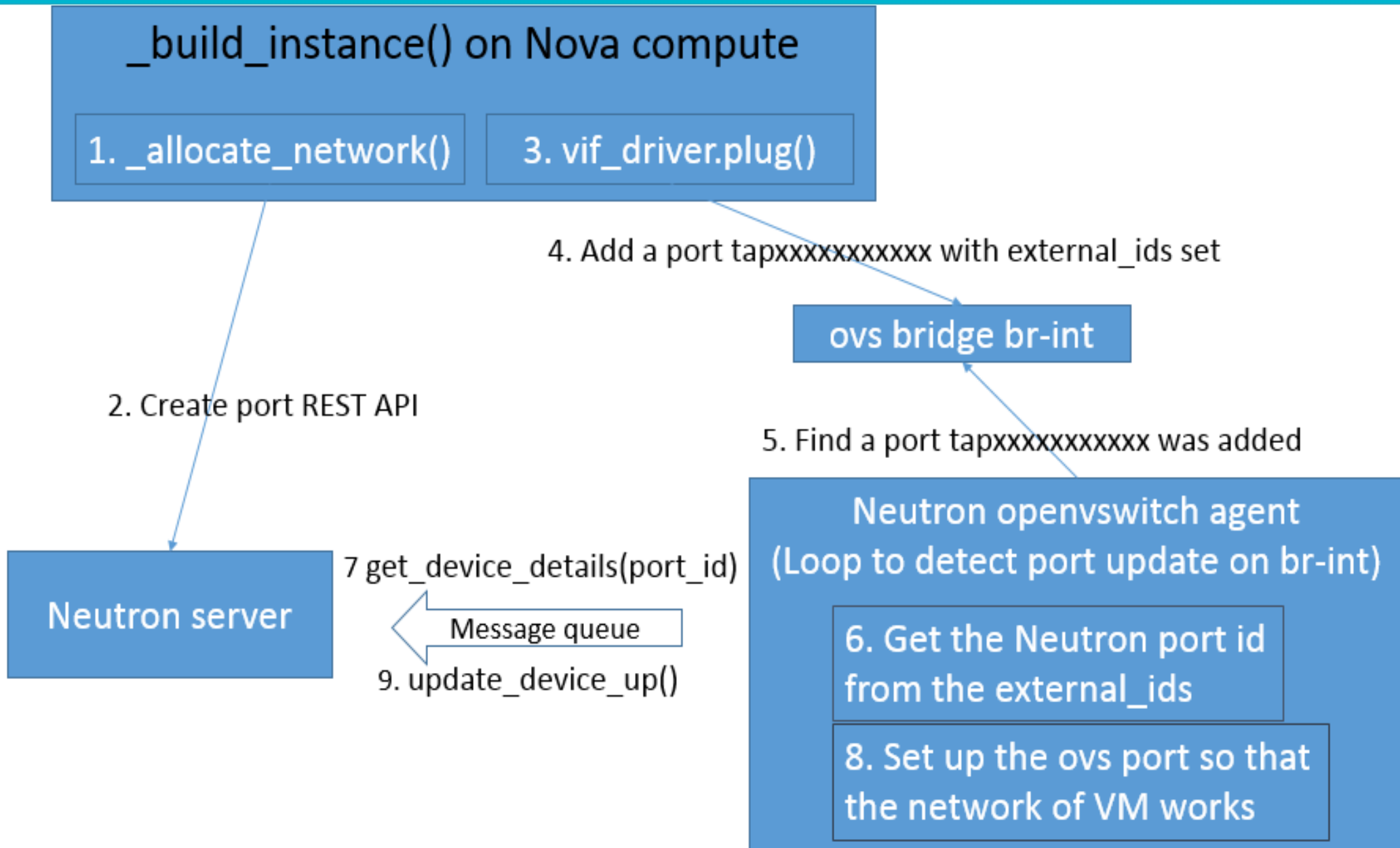
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# Some Neutron options in Nova.conf

- `network_api_class = nova.network.neutronv2.api.API`
- `neutron_url = http://172.16.108.1:9696`
- `neutron_region_name = RegionOne`
- `neutron_admin_tenant_name = service`
- `neutron_auth_strategy = keystone`
- `neutron_admin_auth_url = http://172.16.108.1:35357/v2.0`
- `neutron_admin_password = password`
- `neutron_admin_username = neutron`
- `libvirt_vif_driver = nova.virt.libvirt.vif.LibvirtGenericVIFDriver`

# interaction to boot VM (OVS bridge)

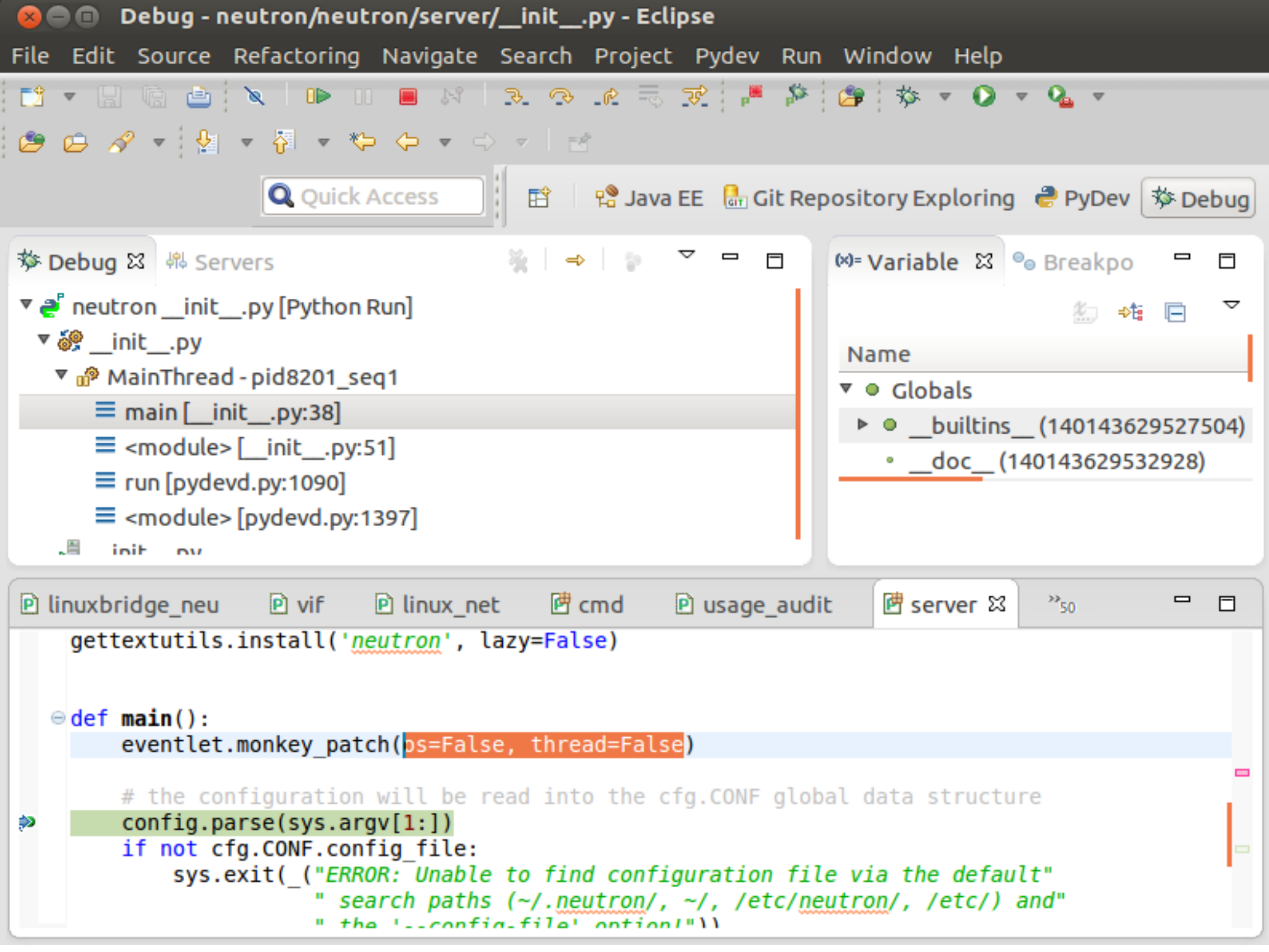


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# debug Neutron

- <https://wiki.openstack.org/wiki/NeutronDevelopment>
- Eclipse pydev to debug neutron server
  - neutron/server/\_\_init\_\_.py:
    - change eventlet.monkey\_patch() To:  
eventlet.monkey\_patch(os=False, thread=False)
  - and then create a python run/debug configuration with the correct parameter such as "--config-file /etc/neutron/neutron.conf --config-file /etc/neutron/plugins/ml2/ml2\_conf.ini"



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Debug

Debug Servers



Variable



Breakpoints



neutron \_\_init\_\_.py [Python Run]

\_\_init\_\_.py

MainThread - pid8201\_seq1

main [\_\_init\_\_.py:38]

&lt;module&gt; [\_\_init\_\_.py:51]

run [pydevd.py:1090]

&lt;module&gt; [pydevd.py:1397]

init.py

Name

Globals

\_\_builtins\_\_ (140143629527504)

\_\_doc\_\_ (140143629532928)

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server

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gettextutils.install('neutron', lazy=False)

def main():

eventlet.monkey\_patch(ps=False, thread=False)

# the configuration will be read into the cfg.CONF global data structure

config.parse(sys.argv[1:])

if not cfg.CONF.config\_file:

sys.exit(\_("ERROR: Unable to find configuration file via the default"

" search paths (~/.neutron/, ~/, /etc/neutron/, /etc/) and"

" the '--config-file' option!"))

# ipdb

- add the following line to the `neutron/server/__init__.py`:  
`import ipdb; ipdb.set_trace()`
- start the neutron server

# ipdb debug

gongysh@gongysh-ThinkPad-T530: ~

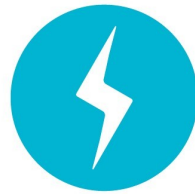
```
> /mnt/data/opt/stack/neutron/neutron/server/__init__.py(36)main()
    35     import ipdb; ipdb.set_trace()
--> 36     eventlet.monkey_patch()
    37

ipdb> n
> /mnt/data/opt/stack/neutron/neutron/server/__init__.py(39)main()
    38     # the configuration will be read into the cfg.CONF global
e
--> 39     config.parse(sys.argv[1:])
    40     if not cfg.CONF.config_file:

ipdb> n
> /mnt/data/opt/stack/neutron/neutron/server/__init__.py(40)main()
    39     config.parse(sys.argv[1:])
--> 40     if not cfg.CONF.config_file:
    41         sys.exit(_("ERROR: Unable to find configuration file v
t"

ipdb> p cfg.CONF.config_file
['/etc/neutron/neutron.conf', '/etc/neutron/plugins/ml2/ml2_conf.ini']
ipdb>
```

# Thanks



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