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Sysrepo in RACOM

Proprietary solution Netopeer2 & Sysrepo gRPC, proto, yang Code generators



RACOM products

- Private company
 - Over 100 employees
 - Global impact
- Narrowband IP routers (since 1990)
 - 10 100 kbit/s
- Cellular IP routers (since 2018)
 - 10 100 mbit/s
- Microwave links (since 2010)
 - 10 Gbit/s (since 2023)





Similarities

- Web application
 - Manage product
 - Diagnosis of problems
- Many configuration items
 - Some of them in tables
 - Some of them are mandatory
- Linked items with own limitations





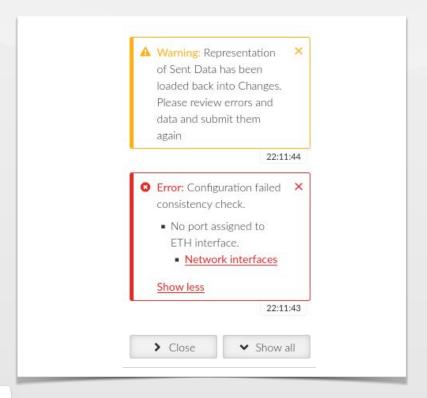
Legacy configuration

- Established ~ 2010
- Size is the biggest problem
 - Optimized to bits and bytes
- Saved as binary blob
- Compatibility layer
- C++ code generator
- Good enough proprietary solution



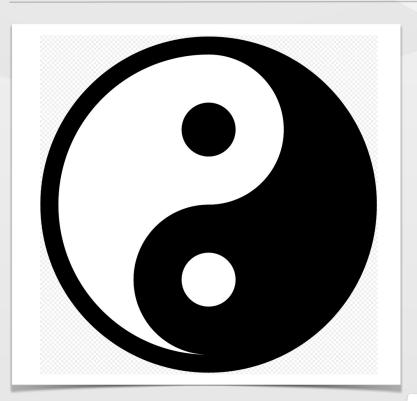
Legacy configuration limitations

- Maintenance & development
 - Proprietary language
- Difficult to extend
 - Tables are very difficult to manage
- Validations are missing





Goals



- Unified look & feel of products
- Reuse as much as possible
- Web application ready
- Deliver as fast as possible
- Generate source code
- Generic validations
- Easy to understand



Transition under development

```
ITEM: RadioIpAddr;
    name cli: "IP address";
                              name unit: "";
    comm: "Radio interface - IP address";
    indexno: 427; type: uint32_ipv4;
    disabler: {"seid":"(F:main[-]|I:DeviceMode)",
         "constraint":{"notEqual":["Router"]}}
    #RadioIpAddr (CNFVER: 13)
    MODIFICATION: 1;
    indexno: 2195; type: uint32 ipv4;
    disabler: {"seid":"(F:main[-]|I:RadioIfMode)",
        "constraint":{"notEqual":["Router"]}}
leaf "RR RadioIpAddr" {
    type "inet:ipv4-address";
   when "not (/config data/main/
       RadioInterface/RR_RadioIfMode != 'Router')";
```

- Statistics
 - 75 tables
 - 394 enums
 - 2 288 items
- No time to stop development
- Coexistence of both systems
- Python utility rrygen
 - rr racom prefix
 - ygen yang serializer / deserializer



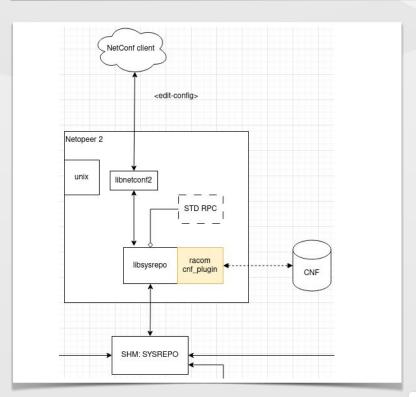
Sysrepo integration

- OpenSource projects
 - sysrepo
 - netopeer2
- Sysrepo datastore plugin





Netconf & narrowband

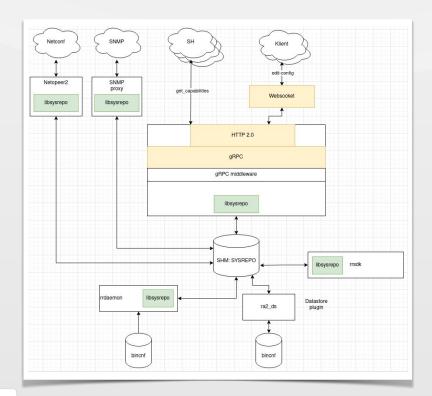


- Standard protocol RFC 6241
 - ssh & xml
- Narrowband is 10 100 kbit/s
- Netconf xml message contains both keys & values
 - Configuration approx 100th kB



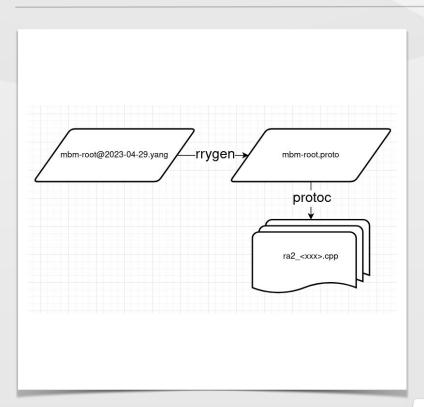
gRPC & narrowband

- Efficiency of transport layer
 - ID's not keys
- Protobuf contract
 - protobuf -> source code
 - protoc
 - HTTP2.0
- Web access
 - websocket + proto





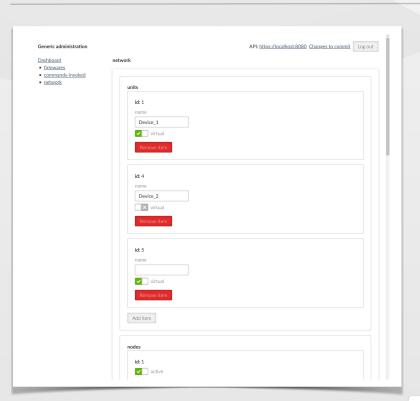
Protobuf & yang



- IDLs
- Almost the same
- Transfer from yang to protobuf
- Python utility rrygen
 - Use the same utility again



Generic client

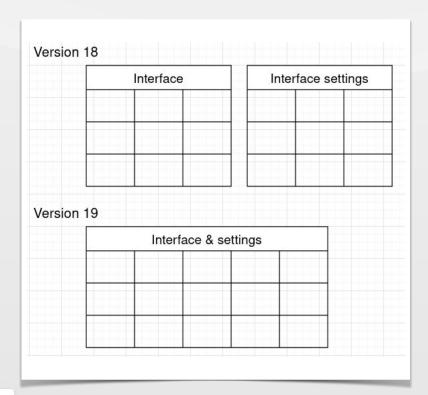


- Web application
- Shared between all products
- Build once, use anywhere
- Based on models



Unknown - compatibility

- How to solve compatibility problems
- Non-trivial compatibility
 - Across versions: 2 -> 8
 - Items in tables
 - Introduction of new limits
 - Replacement of one item with two new





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Thank you!

Questions?

