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## Abstract

This document defines a data model for the Babel routing protocol. The data model is defined using the YANG data modeling language.

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## [1.](#) Introduction

This document defines a data model for the Babel routing protocol [[RFC8966](#)]. The data model is defined using YANG 1.1 [[RFC7950](#)] data modeling language and is Network Management Datastore Architecture (NDMA) [[RFC8342](#)] compatible. It is based on the Babel Information Model [[I-D.ietf-babel-information-model](#)].

### [1.1.](#) Note to RFC Editor

Artwork in this document contains shorthand references to drafts in progress. Please apply the following replacements and remove this

note before publication.

- o "XXXX" --> the assigned RFC value for this draft both in this draft and in the YANG models under the revision statement.

- o "ZZZZ" --> the assigned RFC value for Babel Information Model [[I-D.ietf-babel-information-model](#)]
- o Revision date in model, in the format 2021-01-26 needs to get updated with the date the draft gets approved. The date also needs to get reflected on the line with <CODE BEGINS>.

## [1.2.](#) Tree Diagram Annotations

For a reference to the annotations used in tree diagrams included in this draft, please see YANG Tree Diagrams [[RFC8340](#)].

## [2.](#) Babel Module

This document defines a YANG 1.1 [[RFC7950](#)] data model for the configuration and management of Babel. The YANG module is based on the Babel Information Model [[I-D.ietf-babel-information-model](#)].

### [2.1.](#) Information Model

There are a few things that should be noted between the Babel Information Model and this data module. The information model mandates the definition of some of the attributes, e.g. `babel-implementation-version` or the `babel-self-router-id`. These attributes are marked as read-only objects in the information module as well as in this data module. However, there is no way in the data module to mandate that a read-only attribute be present. It is up to the implementation of this data module to make sure that the attributes that are marked read-only and are mandatory are indeed present.

### [2.2.](#) Tree Diagram

The following diagram illustrates a top level hierarchy of the model. In addition to information like the version number implemented by this device, the model contains subtrees on constants, interfaces, routes and security.

```
module: ietf-babel
  augment /rt:routing/rt:control-plane-protocols
    /rt:control-plane-protocol:
      +--rw babel!
        +--ro version?      string
        +--rw enable        boolean
        +--ro router-id?    binary
        +--ro seqno?        uint16
        +--rw stats-enable? boolean
        +--rw constants
          |   ...
        +--rw interfaces* [reference]
          |   ...
        +--rw mac-key-set* [name]
          |   ...
        +--rw dtls* [name]
          |   ...
        +--ro routes* [prefix]
          ...
```

The interfaces subtree describes attributes such as interface object that is being referenced, the type of link as enumerated by metric-algorithm and split-horizon and whether the interface is enabled or not.

The constants subtree describes the UDP port used for sending and receiving Babel messages, and the multicast group used to send and receive announcements on IPv6.

The routes subtree describes objects such as the prefix for which the route is advertised, a reference to the neighboring route, and next-hop address.

Finally, for security two subtree are defined to contain MAC keys and DTLS certificates. The mac subtree contains keys used with the MAC security mechanism. The boolean flag default-apply indicates whether the set of MAC keys is automatically applied to new interfaces. The dtls subtree contains certificates used with DTLS security mechanism. Similar to the MAC mechanism, the boolean flag default-apply indicates whether the set of DTLS certificates is automatically applied to new interfaces.

### [2.3.](#) YANG Module

This YANG module augments the YANG Routing Management [[RFC8349](#)] module to provide a common framework for all routing subsystems. By augmenting the module it provides a common building block for routes, and Routing Information Bases (RIBs). It also has a reference to an

interface defined by A YANG Data Model for Interface Management [[RFC8343](#)].

A router running Babel routing protocol can determine the parameters it needs to use for an interface based on the interface name. For example, it can detect that eth0 is a wired interface, and that wlan0 is a wireless interface. This is not true for a tunnel interface, where the link parameters need to be configured explicitly.

For a wired interface, it will assume '2-out-of-3' 'metric-algorithm', and 'split-horizon' set to true. On other hand, for a wireless interface it will assume 'etx' 'metric-algorithm', and 'split-horizon' set to false. However, if the wired link is connected to a wireless radio, the values can be overridden by setting 'metric-algorithm' to 'etx', and 'split-horizon' to false. Similarly, an interface that is a metered 3G link, and used for fallback connectivity needs much higher default time constants, e.g. 'mcast-hello-interval', and 'update-interval', in order to avoid carrying control traffic as much as possible.

In addition to the modules used above, this module imports definitions from Common YANG Data Types [[RFC6991](#)], and references

HMAC: Keyed-Hashing for Message Authentication [[RFC2104](#)], Using HMAC-SHA-256, HMAC-SHA-384, and HMAC-SHA-512 [[RFC4868](#)], Datagram Transport Layer Security Version 1.2 [[RFC6347](#)], The Blake2 Cryptographic Hash and Message Authentication Code (MAC) [[RFC7693](#)], Babel Information Model [[I-D.ietf-babel-information-model](#)], and The Babel Routing Protocol [[RFC8966](#)].

<CODE BEGINS> file "ietf-babel@2021-01-26.yang"

```
module ietf-babel {
  yang-version 1.1;
  namespace "urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:yang:ietf-babel";
  prefix babel;

  import ietf-yang-types {
    prefix yt;
    reference
      "RFC 6991: Common YANG Data Types.";
  }
  import ietf-inet-types {
    prefix inet;
    reference
      "RFC 6991: Common YANG Data Types.";
  }
  import ietf-interfaces {
    prefix if;
```

```
    reference
      "RFC 8343: A YANG Data Model for Interface Management";
  }
  import ietf-routing {
    prefix "rt";
    reference
      "RFC 8349: YANG Routing Management";
  }

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description

"This YANG module defines a model for the Babel routing protocol.

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This version of this YANG module is part of RFC XXXX (<https://www.rfc-editor.org/info/rfcXXXX>); see the RFC itself for full legal notices.";

revision 2021-01-26 {  
description  
"Initial version.";

reference  
"RFC XXXX: Babel YANG Data Model.";  
}  
  
/\*  
\* Features  
\*/  
feature two-out-of-three-supported {

```

description
  "This implementation supports two-out-of-three metric
  comp algorithm.";
}

feature etx-supported {
  description
    "This implementation supports Expected Transmission Count
    (ETX) metric comp algorithm.";
}

feature mac-supported {
  description
    "This implementation supports MAC based security.";
  reference
    "draft-ietf-babel-hmac: MAC authentication for Babel Routing
    Protocol.";
}

feature dtls-supported {
  description
    "This implementation supports DTLS based security.";
  reference
    "draft-ietf-babel-dtls: Babel Routing Protocol over Datagram
    Transport Layer Security.";
}

feature hmac-sha256-supported {
  description
    "This implementation supports hmac-sha256 MAC algorithm.";
  reference
    "draft-ietf-babel-hmac: MAC authentication for Babel Routing
    Protocol.";
}

feature blake2s-supported {
  description
    "This implementation supports blake2s MAC algorithms.
    Specifically, BLAKE2-128 is supported.";
  reference

```



```

    Protocol.";
}

feature x-509-supported {
    description
        "This implementation supports x-509 certificate type.";
    reference
        "draft-ietf-babel-dtls: Babel Routing Protocol over Datagram
        Transport Layer Security.";
}

feature raw-public-key-supported {
    description
        "This implementation supports raw-public-key certificate type.";
    reference
        "draft-ietf-babel-dtls: Babel Routing Protocol over Datagram
        Transport Layer Security.";
}

/*
 * Identities
 */
identity metric-comp-algorithms {
    description
        "Base identity from which all Babel metric comp algorithms
        are derived.";
}

identity two-out-of-three {
    if-feature two-out-of-three-supported;
    base "metric-comp-algorithms";
    description
        "2-out-of-3 algorithm.";
    reference
        "draft-ietf-babel-rfc6126bis: The Babel Routing Protocol,
        Section A.2.1.";
}

identity etx {
    if-feature etx-supported;
    base "metric-comp-algorithms";
    description
        "Expected Transmission Count.";
    reference
        "draft-ietf-babel-rfc6126bis: The Babel Routing Protocol,
        Section A.2.2.";
}

```

---

```
/*
 * Babel MAC algorithms identities.
 */
identity mac-algorithms {
  description
    "Base identity for all Babel MAC algorithms.";
}

identity hmac-sha256 {
  if-feature mac-supported;
  if-feature hmac-sha256-supported;
  base mac-algorithms;
  description
    "HMAC-SHA256 algorithm supported.";
  reference
    "RFC 4868: Using HMAC-SHA-256, HMAC-SHA-384, and HMAC-SHA-512
    with IPsec.";
}

identity blake2s {
  if-feature mac-supported;
  if-feature blake2s-supported;
  base mac-algorithms;
  description
    "BLAKE2s algorithms supported. Specifically, BLAKE2-128 is
    supported.";
  reference
    "RFC 7693: The BLAKE2 Cryptographic Hash and Message
    Authentication Code (MAC).";
}

/*
 * Babel Cert Types
 */
identity dtls-cert-types {
  description
    "Base identity for Babel DTLS certificate types.";
}

identity x-509 {
  if-feature dtls-supported;
  if-feature x-509-supported;
  base dtls-cert-types;
  description
    "X.509 certificate type.";
}
```

```
identity raw-public-key {
```

```
    if-feature dtls-supported;
    if-feature raw-public-key-supported;
    base dtls-cert-types;
    description
        "Raw Public Key type.";
}

/*
 * Babel routing protocol identity.
 */
identity babel {
    base "rt:routing-protocol";
    description
        "Babel routing protocol";
}

/*
 * Groupings
 */
grouping routes {
    list routes {
        key "prefix";
        config false;

        leaf prefix {
            type inet:ip-prefix;
            description
                "Prefix (expressed in ip-address/prefix-length format) for
                which this route is advertised.";
            reference
                "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.6.";
        }
    }

    leaf router-id {
        type binary;
        description
            "router-id of the source router for which this route is
            advertised.";
        reference
    }
}
```

```

    "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.6.";
}

leaf neighbor {
  type leafref {
    path "/rt:routing/rt:control-plane-protocols/" +
      "rt:control-plane-protocol/babel/interfaces/" +
      "neighbor-objects/neighbor-address";
  }
}

```

```

  description
    "Reference to the neighbor-objects entry for the neighbor
    that advertised this route.";
  reference
    "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.6.";
}

```

```

leaf received-metric {
  type uint16;
  description
    "The metric with which this route was advertised by the
    neighbor, or maximum value (infinity) to indicate the
    route was recently retracted and is temporarily
    unreachable. This metric will be 0 (zero) if the route
    was not received from a neighbor but was generated
    through other means. At least one of
    calculated-metric or received-metric MUST be non-NULL.";
  reference
    "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.6,
    draft-ietf-babel-rfc6126bis: The Babel Routing Protocol,
    Section 3.5.5.";
}

```

```

leaf calculated-metric {
  type uint16;
  description
    "A calculated metric for this route. How the metric is
    calculated is implementation-specific. Maximum value
    (infinity) indicates the route was recently retracted
    and is temporarily unreachable. At least one of
    calculated-metric or received-metric MUST be non-NULL.";
  reference

```

```

    "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.6,
    draft-ietf-babel-rfc6126bis: The Babel Routing Protocol,
    Section 3.5.5.";
}

leaf seqno {
    type uint16;
    description
        "The sequence number with which this route was advertised.";
    reference
        "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.6.";
}

leaf next-hop {
    type inet:ip-address;
    description

```

```

    "The next-hop address of this route. This will be empty if
    this route has no next-hop address.";
    reference
        "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.6.";
}

leaf feasible {
    type boolean;
    description
        "A boolean flag indicating whether this route is feasible.";
    reference
        "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.6,
        draft-ietf-babel-rfc6126bis, The Babel Routing Protocol,
        Section 3.5.1.";
}

leaf selected {
    type boolean;
    description
        "A boolean flag indicating whether this route is selected,
        i.e., whether it is currently being used for forwarding and
        is being advertised.";
    reference
        "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.6.";
}

```

```

    description
      "A set of babel-route-obj objects. Includes received and
      routes routes.";
    reference
      "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.1.";
  }
  description
    "Common grouping for routing used in RIB.";
}

/*
 * Data model
 */

augment "/rt:routing/rt:control-plane-protocols/" +
  "rt:control-plane-protocol" {
  when "derived-from-or-self(rt:type, 'babel')" {
    description
      "Augmentation is valid only when the instance of routing type
      is of type 'babel.'";
  }
  description
    "Augment the routing module to support a common structure

```

```

    between routing protocols.";
  reference
    "YANG Routing Management, RFC 8349, Lhotka & Lindem, March
    2018.";

  container babel {
    presence "A Babel container.";
    description
      "Babel Information Objects.";
    reference
      "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.";

    leaf version {
      type string;
      config false;
      description
        "The name and version of this implementation of the Babel
        protocol.";
    }
  }
}

```

```

    reference
      "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.1.";
  }

leaf enable {
  type boolean;
  mandatory true;
  description
    "When written, it configures whether the protocol should be
    enabled. A read from the <running> or <intended> datastore
    therefore indicates the configured administrative value of
    whether the protocol is enabled or not.

    A read from the <operational> datastore indicates whether
    the protocol is actually running or not, i.e. it indicates
    the operational state of the protocol.";
  reference
    "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.1.";
}

leaf router-id {
  type binary;
  config false;
  description
    "Every Babel speaker is assigned a router-id, which is an
    arbitrary string of 8 octets that is assumed to be unique
    across the routing domain";
  reference
    "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.1,
    draft-ietf-babel-rfc6126bis: The Babel Routing Protocol,

```

```

      Section 3.";
  }

leaf seqno {
  type uint16;
  config false;
  description
    "Sequence number included in route updates for routes
    originated by this node.";
  reference
    "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.1.";

```

```

}

leaf stats-enable {
  type boolean;
  description
    "Indicates whether statistics collection is enabled (true)
    or disabled (false) on all interfaces. When enabled,
    existing statistics values are not cleared and will be
    incremented as new packets are counted.";
}

container constants {
  description
    "Babel Constants object.";
  reference
    "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.1.";

  leaf udp-port {
    type inet:port-number;
    default "6696";
    description
      "UDP port for sending and receiving Babel messages. The
      default port is 6696.";
    reference
      "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.2.";
  }

  leaf mcast-group {
    type inet:ip-address;
    default "ff02::1:6";
    description
      "Multicast group for sending and receiving multicast
      announcements on IPv6.";
    reference
      "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.2.";
  }
}
}

```

```

list interfaces {
  key "reference";

  description

```



```

    "A set of Babel Interface objects.";
reference
    "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.3.";

leaf reference {
    type if:interface-ref;
    description
        "References the name of the interface over which Babel
        packets are sent and received.";
    reference
        "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.3.";
}

leaf enable {
    type boolean;
    default "true";
    description
        "If true, babel sends and receives messages on this
        interface. If false, babel messages received on this
        interface are ignored and none are sent.";
    reference
        "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.3.";
}

leaf metric-algorithm {
    type identityref {
        base metric-comp-algorithms;
    }
    mandatory true;
    description
        "Indicates the metric computation algorithm used on this
        interface. The value MUST be one of those identities
        based on 'metric-comp-algorithms'.";
    reference
        "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.X.";
}

leaf split-horizon {
    type boolean;
    description
        "Indicates whether or not the split horizon optimization
        is used when calculating metrics on this interface.
        A value of true indicates split horizon optimization
        is used.";
}

```

```
    reference
      "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.X.";
  }

  leaf mcast-hello-seqno {
    type uint16;
    config false;
    description
      "The current sequence number in use for multicast hellos
        sent on this interface.";
    reference
      "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.3.";
  }

  leaf mcast-hello-interval {
    type uint16;
    units centiseconds;
    description
      "The current multicast hello interval in use for hellos
        sent on this interface.";
    reference
      "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.3.";
  }

  leaf update-interval {
    type uint16;
    units centiseconds;
    description
      "The current update interval in use for this interface.
        Units are centiseconds.";
    reference
      "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.3.";
  }

  leaf mac-enable {
    type boolean;
    description
      "Indicates whether the MAC security mechanism is enabled
        (true) or disabled (false).";
    reference
      "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.3.";
  }

  leaf-list mac-key-sets {
    type leafref {
      path "../..//mac-key-set/name";
    }
  }
```

description

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```
    "List of references to the mac entries that apply
      to this interface. When an interface instance is
      created, all mac instances with default-apply 'true'
      will be included in this list.";
  reference
    "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.3.";
}

leaf mac-verify {
  type boolean;
  description
    "A Boolean flag indicating whether MACs in
     incoming Babel packets are required to be present and
     are verified. If this parameter is 'true', incoming
     packets are required to have a valid MAC.";
  reference
    "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.3.";
}

leaf dtls-enable {
  type boolean;
  description
    "Indicates whether the DTLS security mechanism is enabled
     (true) or disabled (false).";
  reference
    "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.3.";
}

leaf-list dtls-certs {
  type leafref {
    path "../..../dtls/name";
  }
  description
    "List of references to the dtls entries that apply to
     this interface. When an interface instance
     is created, all dtls instances with default-apply
     'true' will be included in this list.";
  reference
    "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.3.";
}
```

```
leaf dtls-cached-info {
  type boolean;
  description
    "Indicates whether the cached_info extension is included
    in ClientHello and ServerHello packets. The extension
    is included if the value is 'true'.";
  reference
```

```
    "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.3.
    draft-ietf-babel-dtls: Babel Routing Protocol over
    Datagram Transport Layer Security, Appendix A.";
  }

leaf-list dtls-cert-prefer {
  type leafref {
    path "../..../dtls/certs/type";
  }
  ordered-by user;
  description
    "List of supported certificate types, in order of
    preference. The values MUST be among those listed in
    dtls-cert-types. This list is used to populate the
    server_certificate_type extension in a Client Hello.
    Values that are present in at least one instance in the
    certs object under dtls of a referenced dtls instance
    and that have a non-empty private-key will be used to
    populate the client_certificate_type extension in a
    Client Hello.";
  reference
    "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.3
    draft-ietf-babel-dtls: Babel Routing Protocol over
    Datagram Transport Layer Security, Appendix A.";
  }

leaf packet-log-enable {
  type boolean;
  description
    "If true, logging of babel packets received on this
    interface is enabled; if false, babel packets are not
    logged.";
  reference
```

```
    "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.3.";
}

leaf packet-log {
  type inet:uri;
  config false;
  description
    "A reference or url link to a file that contains a
    timestamped log of packets received and sent on
    udp-port on this interface. The [libpcap] file
    format with .pcap file extension SHOULD be supported for
    packet log files. Logging is enabled / disabled by
    packet-log-enable.";
  reference
    "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.3.";
}
```

```
}

container stats {
  config false;

  description
    "Statistics collection object for this interface.";
  reference
    "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.3.";

  leaf sent-mcast-hello {
    type yt:counter32;
    description
      "A count of the number of multicast Hello packets sent
      on this interface.";
    reference
      "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.4.";
  }

  leaf sent-mcast-update {
    type yt:counter32;
    description
      "A count of the number of multicast update packets sent
      on this interface.";
    reference
      "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.4.";
  }
}
```

```

}

leaf sent-ucast-hello {
  type yt:counter32;
  description
    "A count of the number of unicast Hello packets sent
    to this neighbor.";
  reference
    "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.6.";
}

leaf sent-ucast-update {
  type yt:counter32;
  description
    "A count of the number of unicast update packets sent
    to this neighbor.";
  reference
    "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.6.";
}

leaf sent-ihu {
  type yt:counter32;

```

```

  description
    "A count of the number of IHU packets sent to this
    neighbor.";
  reference
    "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.6.";
}

leaf received-packets {
  type yt:counter32;
  description
    "A count of the number of Babel packets received on
    this interface.";
  reference
    "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.4.";
}

action reset {
  description
    "The information model [RFC ZZZZ] defines reset
    action as a system-wide reset of Babel statistics.

```

In YANG the reset action is associated with the container where the action is defined. In this case the action is associated with the stats container inside an interface. The action will therefore reset statistics at an interface level.

Implementations that want to support a system-wide reset of Babel statistics need to call this action for every instance of the interface.";

```
input {
  leaf reset-at {
    type yt:date-and-time;
    description
      "The time when the reset was issued.";
  }
}
output {
  leaf reset-finished-at {
    type yt:date-and-time;
    description
      "The time when the reset finished.";
  }
}
}
}

list neighbor-objects {
  key "neighbor-address";
```

```
config false;
```

```
description
```

```
  "A set of Babel Neighbor Object.";
```

```
reference
```

```
  "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.5.";
```

```
leaf neighbor-address {
```

```
  type inet:ip-address;
```

```
  description
```

```
    "IPv4 or v6 address the neighbor sends packets from.";
```

```
  reference
```

```

    "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.5.";
}

leaf hello-mcast-history {
    type string;
    description
        "The multicast Hello history of whether or not the
        multicast Hello packets prior to exp-mcast-
        hello-seqno were received, with a '1' for the most
        recent Hello placed in the most significant bit and
        prior Hellos shifted right (with '0' bits placed
        between prior Hellos and most recent Hello for any
        not-received Hellos); represented as a string using
        utf-8 encoded hex digits where a '1' bit = Hello
        received and a '0' bit = Hello not received.";
    reference
        "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.5.";
}

leaf hello-ucast-history {
    type string;
    description
        "The unicast Hello history of whether or not the
        unicast Hello packets prior to exp-ucast-hello-seqno
        were received, with a '1' for the most
        recent Hello placed in the most significant bit and
        prior Hellos shifted right (with '0' bits placed
        between prior Hellos and most recent Hello for any
        not-received Hellos); represented as a string using
        utf-8 encoded hex digits where a '1' bit = Hello
        received and a '0' bit = Hello not received.";
    reference
        "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.5.";
}

leaf txcost {

```

```

    type int32;
    default "0";
    description
        "Transmission cost value from the last IHU packet
        received from this neighbor, or maximum value

```



```

        (infinity) to indicate the IHU hold timer for this
        neighbor has expired description.";
reference
    "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.5.";
}

leaf exp-mcast-hello-seqno {
    type uint16;
    default "0";
    description
        "Expected multicast Hello sequence number of next Hello
        to be received from this neighbor; if multicast Hello
        packets are not expected, or processing of multicast
        packets is not enabled, this MUST be NULL.";
reference
    "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.5.";
}

leaf exp-ucast-hello-seqno {
    type uint16;
    default "0";
    description
        "Expected unicast Hello sequence number of next Hello to
        be received from this neighbor; if unicast Hello
        packets are not expected, or processing of unicast
        packets is not enabled, this MUST be NULL.";
reference
    "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.5.";
}

leaf ucast-hello-seqno {
    type uint16;
    description
        "Expected unicast Hello sequence number of next Hello
        to be received from this neighbor. If unicast Hello
        packets are not expected, or processing of unicast
        packets is not enabled, this MUST be 0.";
reference
    "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.5.";
}

leaf ucast-hello-interval {
    type uint16;

```

```

    units centiseconds;
    description
        "The current interval in use for unicast hellos sent to
        this neighbor. Units are centiseconds.";
    reference
        "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.5.";
}

leaf rxcost {
    type int32;
    description
        "Reception cost calculated for this neighbor. This value
        is usually derived from the Hello history, which may be
        combined with other data, such as statistics maintained
        by the link layer. The rxcost is sent to a neighbor in
        each IHU.";
    reference
        "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.5.";
}

leaf cost {
    type int32;
    description
        "Link cost is computed from the values maintained in
        the neighbor table. The statistics kept in the neighbor
        table about the reception of Hellos, and the txcost
        computed from received IHU packets.";
    reference
        "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.5.";
}
}

list mac-key-set {
    key "name";

    description
        "A mac key set object. If this object is implemented, it
        provides access to parameters related to the MAC security
        mechanism.";
    reference
        "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.7.";

    leaf name {
        type string;
        description
            "A string that uniquely identifies the mac object.";
    }
}

```

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```
leaf default-apply {
  type boolean;
  description
    "A Boolean flag indicating whether this object
    instance is applied to all new interfaces, by default.
    If 'true', this instance is applied to new babel-
    interfaces instances at the time they are created,
    by including it in the mac-key-sets list under
    interfaces. If 'false', this instance is not applied
    to new interfaces instances when they are created.";
  reference
    "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.7.";
}

list keys {
  key "name";
  min-elements "1";

  description
    "A set of keys objects.";
  reference
    "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.8.";

  leaf name {
    type string;
    mandatory true;
    description
      "A unique name for this MAC key that can be used to
      identify the key in this object instance, since the key
      value is not allowed to be read. This value can only be
      provided when this instance is created, and is not
      subsequently writable.";
    reference
      "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.8.";
  }

  leaf use-send {
    type boolean;
    mandatory true;
    description
      "Indicates whether this key value is used to compute a
      MAC and include that MAC in the sent Babel packet. A MAC
```

```
    for sent packets is computed using this key if the value
    is 'true'. If the value is 'false', this key is not used
    to compute a MAC to include in sent Babel packets.";
reference
    "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.8.";
}
```

```
leaf use-verify {
  type boolean;
  mandatory true;
  description
    "Indicates whether this key value is used to verify
    incoming Babel packets. This key is used to verify
    incoming packets if the value is 'true'. If the value
    is 'false', no MAC is computed from this key for
    comparing an incoming packet.";
reference
    "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.8.";
}
```

```
leaf value {
  type binary;
  mandatory true;
  description
    "The value of the MAC key. An implementation MUST NOT
    allow this parameter to be read. This can be done by
    always providing an empty string, or through
    permissions, or other means. This value MUST be
    provided when this instance is created, and is not
    subsequently writable.

    This value is of a length suitable for the associated
    algorithm. If the algorithm is based on
    the HMAC construction [RFC2104], the length MUST be
    between 0 and the block size of the underlying hash
    inclusive (where 'HMAC-SHA256' block size is 64
    bytes as described in [RFC4868]). If the algorithm
    is 'BLAKE2-128', the length MUST be between 0 and 32
    bytes inclusive, as described in [RFC7693].";
reference
    "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.8,
    RFC 2104: HMAC: Keyed-Hashing for Message
```

```

        Authentication
        RFC 4868: Using HMAC-SHA-256, HMAC-SHA-384, and
        HMAC-SHA-512 with IPsec,
        RFC 7693: The BLAKE2 Cryptographic Hash and Message
        Authentication Code (MAC).";
    }

leaf algorithm {
    type identityref {
        base mac-algorithms;
    }
    description
        "The name of the MAC algorithm used with this key. The

```

```

        value MUST be the same as one of the enumerations
        listed in the mac-algorithms parameter.";
    reference
        "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.8.";
}

action test {
    description
        "An operation that allows the MAC key and MAC
        algorithm to be tested to see if they produce an
        expected outcome. Input to this operation are a
        binary string and a calculated MAC (also in the
        format of a binary string) for the binary string.
        The implementation is expected to create a MAC over
        the binary string using the value and algorithm.
        The output of this operation is a binary indication that
        the calculated MAC matched the input MAC (true) or the
        MACs did not match (false).";
    reference
        "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.8.";

    input {
        leaf test-string {
            type binary;
            mandatory true;
            description
                "Input to this operation is a binary string.
                The implementation is expected to create

```

```

        a MAC over this string using the value and
        the algorithm defined as part of the mac-key-set.";
reference
  "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.8.";
}

leaf mac {
  type binary;
  mandatory true;
  description
    "Input to this operation includes a MAC.
    The implementation is expected to calculate a MAC
    over the string using the value and algorithm of
    this key object and compare its calculated MAC to
    this input MAC.";
reference
  "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.8.";
}
}
output {

```

```

leaf indication {
  type boolean;
  mandatory true;
  description
    "The output of this operation is a binary indication
    that the calculated MAC matched the input MAC (true)
    or the MACs did not match (false).";
reference
  "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.8.";
}
}
}
}
}

list dtls {
  key "name";

  description
    "A dtls object. If this object is implemented,
    it provides access to parameters related to the DTLS

```

```

    security mechanism.";
reference
    "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.9";

leaf name {
    type string;
    description
        "A string that uniquely identifies a dtls object.";
}

leaf default-apply {
    type boolean;
    mandatory true;
    description
        "A Boolean flag indicating whether this object
        instance is applied to all new interfaces, by default. If
        'true', this instance is applied to new interfaces
        instances at the time they are created, by including it
        in the dtls-certs list under interfaces. If 'false',
        this instance is not applied to new interfaces
        instances when they are created.";
    reference
        "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.9.";
}

list certs {
    key "name";

```

```

min-elements "1";

description
    "A set of cert objects. This contains
    both certificates for this implementation to present
    for authentication, and to accept from others.
    Certificates with a non-empty private-key
    can be presented by this implementation for
    authentication.";
reference
    "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.10.";

leaf name {
    type string;

```

```

description
  "A unique name for this certificate that can be
  used to identify the certificate in this object
  instance, since the value is too long to be useful
  for identification. This value MUST NOT be empty
  and can only be provided when this instance is created
  (i.e., it is not subsequently writable).";
reference
  "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.10.";
}

leaf value {
  type string;
  mandatory true;
  description
    "The certificate in PEM format [RFC7468]. This
    value can only be provided when this instance is
    created, and is not subsequently writable.";
  reference
    "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.10.";
}

leaf type {
  type identityref {
    base dtls-cert-types;
  }
  mandatory true;
  description
    "The name of the certificate type of this object
    instance. The value MUST be the same as one of the
    enumerations listed in the dtls-cert-types
    parameter. This value can only be provided when this
    instance is created, and is not subsequently writable.";
  reference

```

```

  "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.10.";
}

leaf private-key {
  type binary;
  mandatory true;
  description

```



```

        "The value of the private key. If this is non-empty,
        this certificate can be used by this implementation to
        provide a certificate during DTLS handshaking. An
        implementation MUST NOT allow this parameter to be
        read. This can be done by always providing an empty
        string, or through permissions, or other means. This
        value can only be provided when this instance is
        created, and is not subsequently writable.";
    reference
        "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.10.";
    }
}
}
}
    uses routes;
}
}
}

```

<CODE ENDS>

### [3.](#) IANA Considerations

This document registers one URIs and one YANG module.

#### [3.1.](#) URI Registrations

URI: urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:yang:ietf-babel

#### [3.2.](#) YANG Module Name Registration

This document registers one YANG module in the YANG Module Names registry YANG [[RFC6020](#)].

Name:ietf-babel

Namespace: urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:yang:ietf-babel

prefix: babel

reference: RFC XXXX

#### 4. Security Considerations

The YANG module specified in this document defines a schema for data that is designed to be accessed via network management protocol such as NETCONF [[RFC6241](#)] or RESTCONF [[RFC8040](#)]. The lowest NETCONF layer is the secure transport layer and the mandatory-to-implement secure transport is SSH [[RFC6242](#)]. The lowest RESTCONF layer is HTTPS, and the mandatory-to-implement secure transport is TLS [[RFC8446](#)].

The NETCONF Access Control Model (NACM [[RFC8341](#)]) provides the means to restrict access for particular NETCONF users to a pre-configured subset of all available NETCONF protocol operations and content.

There are a number of data nodes defined in the YANG module which are writable/created/deleted (i.e., config true, which is the default). These data nodes may be considered sensitive or vulnerable in some network environments. Write operations (e.g., <edit-config>) to these data nodes without proper protection can have a negative effect on network operations. These are the subtrees and data nodes and their sensitivity/vulnerability from a config true perspective:

babel: This container includes an "enable" parameter that can be used to enable or disable use of Babel on a router

babel/constants: This container includes configuration parameters that can prevent reachability if misconfigured.

babel/interfaces: This leaf-list has configuration parameters that can enable/disable security mechanisms and change performance characteristics of the Babel protocol.

babel/hmac and babel/dtls: These contain security credentials that influence whether packets are trusted.

Some of the readable data or config false nodes in this YANG module may be considered sensitive or vulnerable in some network environments. It is thus important to control read access (e.g., via get, get-config, or notification) to these data nodes. These are the subtrees and data nodes and their sensitivity/vulnerability from a config false perspective:

babel: Access to the information in the various nodes can disclose the network topology. Additionally, the routes used by a network device may be used to mount a subsequent attack on traffic traversing the network device.

babel/hmac and babel/dtls: These contain security credentials, include private credentials of the router.

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Some of the RPC operations in this YANG module may be considered sensitive or vulnerable in some network environments. It is thus important to control access to these operations. These are the operations and their sensitivity/vulnerability from a RPC operation perspective:

babel/hmac/hmac/keys/test and babel/dtls/certs/test: These can be used in a brute force attack to identify the credentials being used to secure the Babel protocol.

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## [Appendix A](#). An Appendix

This section is devoted to examples that demonstrate how Babel can be configured.

### [A.1](#). Statistics Gathering Enabled

In this example, interface eth0 is being configured for routing protocol Babel, and statistics gathering is enabled. For security, HMAC-SHA256 is supported. Every sent Babel packets is signed with the key value provided, and every received Babel packet is verified with the same key value.

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<config xmlns="urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:netconf:base:1.0">
  <interfaces xmlns="urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:yang:ietf-interfaces"
             xmlns:ianaift="urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:yang:iana-if-type">
    <interface>
      <name>eth0</name>
      <type>ianaift:ethernetCsmacd</type>
      <enabled>true</enabled>
    </interface>
  </interfaces>
  <routing
    xmlns="urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:yang:ietf-routing">
    <control-plane-protocols>
      <control-plane-protocol>
        <type
          xmlns:babel=
            "urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:yang:ietf-babel">babel:babel
        </type>
        <name>name:babel</name>
        <babel
          xmlns="urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:yang:ietf-babel">
          <enable>true</enable>
```

```

    <stats-enable>true</stats-enable>
    <interfaces>
      <reference>eth0</reference>
      <metric-algorithm>two-out-of-three</metric-algorithm>
      <split-horizon>true</split-horizon>
    </interfaces>
    <mac-key-set>
      <name>hmac-sha256</name>
      <keys>
        <name>hmac-sha256-keys</name>
        <use-send>true</use-send>
        <use-verify>true</use-verify>
        <value>base64encodedvalue==</value>
        <algorithm>hmac-sha256</algorithm>
      </keys>
    </mac-key-set>
  </babel>
</control-plane-protocol>
</control-plane-protocols>
</routing>
</config>

```

## [A.2.](#) Automatic Detection of Properties

<!-- In this example, babeld is configured on two interfaces

```

interface eth0
interface wlan0

```

This says to run Babel on interfaces eth0 and wlan0. Babeld will automatically detect that eth0 is wired and wlan0 is wireless, and will configure the right parameters automatically.

-->

```

<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<config xmlns="urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:netconf:base:1.0">
  <interfaces xmlns="urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:yang:ietf-interfaces"

```

```

        xmlns:ianaift="urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:yang:iana-if-type">
<interface>
  <name>eth0</name>
  <type>ianaift:ethernetCsmacd</type>
  <enabled>true</enabled>
</interface>
<interface>
  <name>wlan0</name>
  <type>ianaift:ieee80211</type>
  <enabled>true</enabled>
</interface>
</interfaces>
<routing
  xmlns="urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:yang:ietf-routing">
<control-plane-protocols>
  <control-plane-protocol>
    <type
      xmlns:babel=
        "urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:yang:ietf-babel">babel:babel
    </type>
    <name>name:babel</name>
    <babel
      xmlns="urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:yang:ietf-babel">
      <enable>true</enable>
      <interfaces>
        <reference>eth0</reference>
        <enable>true</enable>
        <metric-algorithm>two-out-of-three</metric-algorithm>
        <split-horizon>true</split-horizon>
      </interfaces>
      <interfaces>
        <reference>wlan0</reference>
        <enable>true</enable>

```

```

    <metric-algorithm>etx</metric-algorithm>
    <split-horizon>false</split-horizon>
  </interfaces>
</babel>
</control-plane-protocol>
</control-plane-protocols>
</routing>
</config>

```



### [A.3.](#) Override Default Properties

<!-- In this example, babeld is configured on three interfaces

```
interface eth0
interface eth1 type wireless
interface tun0 type tunnel
```

Here, interface eth1 is an Ethernet bridged to a wireless radio, so babeld's autodetection fails, and the interface type needs to be configured manually. Tunnels are not detected automatically, so this needs to be specified.

This is equivalent to the following:

```
interface eth0 metric-algorithm 2-out-of-3 split-horizon true
interface eth1 metric-algorithm etx split-horizon false
interface tun0 metric-algorithm 2-out-of-3 split-horizon true
-->
```

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<config xmlns="urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:netconf:base:1.0">
  <interfaces xmlns="urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:yang:ietf-interfaces"
             xmlns:ianaift="urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:yang:iana-if-type">
    <interface>
      <name>eth0</name>
      <type>ianaift:ethernetCsmacd</type>
      <enabled>>true</enabled>
    </interface>
    <interface>
      <name>eth1</name>
      <type>ianaift:ethernetCsmacd</type>
      <enabled>>true</enabled>
    </interface>
    <interface>
      <name>tun0</name>
      <type>ianaift:tunnel</type>
      <enabled>>true</enabled>
    </interface>
  </interfaces>
```

```
</interfaces>
```

```

<routing
  xmlns="urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:yang:ietf-routing">
  <control-plane-protocols>
  <control-plane-protocol>
    <type
      xmlns:babel=
        "urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:yang:ietf-babel">babel:babel
    </type>
    <name>name:babel</name>
    <babel
      xmlns="urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:yang:ietf-babel">
      <enable>true</enable>
      <interfaces>
        <reference>eth0</reference>
        <enable>true</enable>
        <metric-algorithm>two-out-of-three</metric-algorithm>
        <split-horizon>true</split-horizon>
      </interfaces>
      <interfaces>
        <reference>eth1</reference>
        <enable>true</enable>
        <metric-algorithm>etx</metric-algorithm>
        <split-horizon>>false</split-horizon>
      </interfaces>
      <interfaces>
        <reference>tun0</reference>
        <enable>true</enable>
        <metric-algorithm>two-out-of-three</metric-algorithm>
        <split-horizon>true</split-horizon>
      </interfaces>
    </babel>
  </control-plane-protocol>
</control-plane-protocols>
</routing>
</config>

```

#### [A.4.](#) Configuring other Properties

<!-- In this example, two interfaces are configured for babeld

```

interface eth0
interface ppp0 hello-interval 30 update-interval 120

```

Here, ppp0 is a metered 3G link used for fallback connectivity. It runs with much higher than default time constants in order to avoid control traffic as much as possible.

-->

---

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<config xmlns="urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:netconf:base:1.0">
  <interfaces xmlns="urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:yang:ietf-interfaces"
             xmlns:ianaift="urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:yang:iana-if-type">
    <interface>
      <name>eth0</name>
      <type>ianaift:ethernetCsmacd</type>
      <enabled>true</enabled>
    </interface>
    <interface>
      <name>ppp0</name>
      <type>ianaift:ppp</type>
      <enabled>true</enabled>
    </interface>
  </interfaces>
  <routing
    xmlns="urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:yang:ietf-routing">
    <control-plane-protocols>
      <control-plane-protocol>
        <type
          xmlns:babel=
            "urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:yang:ietf-babel">babel:babel
        </type>
        <name>name:babel</name>
        <babel
          xmlns="urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:yang:ietf-babel">
          <enable>true</enable>
          <interfaces>
            <reference>eth0</reference>
            <enable>true</enable>
            <metric-algorithm>two-out-of-three</metric-algorithm>
            <split-horizon>true</split-horizon>
          </interfaces>
          <interfaces>
            <reference>ppp0</reference>
            <enable>true</enable>
            <mcast-hello-interval>30</mcast-hello-interval>
            <update-interval>120</update-interval>
            <metric-algorithm>two-out-of-three</metric-algorithm>
          </interfaces>
        </babel>
      </control-plane-protocol>
    </control-plane-protocols>
  </routing>
</config>
```

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