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## **1. Introduction**

Access Control List (ACL) is one of the basic elements to configure device forwarding behavior. It is used in many networking concepts such as Policy Based Routing, Firewalls etc.

An ACL is an ordered set of rules that is used to filter traffic on a networking device. Each rule is represented by an Access Control Entry (ACE).

Each ACE has a group of match criteria and a group of action criteria.

The match criteria consist of a tuple of packet header match criteria and can have metadata match criteria as well.

- o Packet header matches apply to fields visible in the packet such as address or class of service or port numbers.
- o In case vendor supports it, metadata matches apply to fields associated with the packet but not in the packet header such as input interface or overall packet length

The actions specify what to do with the packet when the matching criteria is met. These actions are any operations that would apply to the packet, such as counting, policing, or simply forwarding. The list of potential actions is endless depending on the innovations of the networked devices.

Access Control List is also widely known as ACL (pronounce as [ak-uh l]) or Access List. In this document, Access Control List, ACL and Access List are interchangeable.

The matching of filters and actions in an ACE/ACL are triggered only after application/attachment of the ACL to an interface, VRF, vty/tty session, QoS policy, routing protocols amongst various other config attachment points. Once attached, it is used for filtering traffic using the match criteria in the ACE's and taking appropriate action(s) that have been configured against that ACE. In order to apply an ACL to any attachment point, vendors would have to augment the ACL YANG model.

### **1.1. Definitions and Acronyms**

ACE: Access Control Entry

ACL: Access Control List



DSCP: Differentiated Services Code Point

ICMP: Internet Control Message Protocol

IP: Internet Protocol

IPv4: Internet Protocol version 4

IPv6: Internet Protocol version 6

MAC: Media Access Control

TCP: Transmission Control Protocol

## **2. Problem Statement**

This document defines a YANG [[RFC6020](#)] data model for the configuration of ACLs. It is very important that model can be easily used by applications/attachments.

ACL implementations in every device may vary greatly in terms of the filter constructs and actions that they support. Therefore this draft proposes a model that can be augmented by standard extensions and vendor proprietary models.

## **3. Understanding ACL's Filters and Actions**

Although different vendors have different ACL data models, there is a common understanding of what access control list (ACL) is. A network system usually have a list of ACLs, and each ACL contains an ordered list of rules, also known as access list entries - ACEs. Each ACE has a group of match criteria and a group of action criteria. The match criteria consist of packet header matching. It is also possible for ACE to match on metadata, if supported by the vendor. Packet header matching applies to fields visible in the packet such as address or class of service or port numbers. Metadata matching applies to fields associated with the packet, but not in the packet header such as input interface, packet length, or source or destination prefix length. The actions can be any sort of operation from logging to rate limiting or dropping to simply forwarding. Actions on the first matching ACE are applied with no processing of subsequent ACEs. The model also includes a container to hold overall operational state for each ACL and operational state for each ACE. One ACL can be applied to multiple targets within the device, such as interfaces of a networked device, applications or features running in the device, etc. When applied to interfaces of a networked device, the ACL is applied in a direction which indicates if it should be



applied to packet entering (input) or leaving the device (output). An example in the appendix shows how to express it in YANG model.

This draft tries to address the commonalities between all vendors and create a common model, which can be augmented with proprietary models. The base model is very simple and with this design we hope to achieve needed flexibility for each vendor to extend the base model.

### **3.1. ACL Modules**

There are two YANG modules in the model. The first module, "ietf-access-control-list", defines generic ACL aspects which are common to all ACLs regardless of their type or vendor. In effect, the module can be viewed as providing a generic ACL "superclass". It imports the second module, "ietf-packet-fields". The match container in "ietf-access-control-list" uses groupings in "ietf-packet-fields". If there is a need to define new "matches" choice, such as IPFIX [[RFC5101](#)], the container "matches" can be augmented.





```

module: ietf-access-control-list
  +--rw access-lists
    +--rw acl* [acl-type acl-name]
      +--rw acl-name          string
      +--rw acl-type          acl-type
      +--ro acl-oper-data
      +--rw access-list-entries
        +--rw ace* [rule-name]
          +--rw rule-name      string
          +--rw matches
            | +--rw (ace-type)?
            |   +--:(ace-ip)
            |     | +--rw (ace-ip-version)?
            |     | | +--:(ace-ipv4)
            |     | | | +--rw destination-ipv4-network?      inet:ipv4-
prefix
            |     | | | +--rw source-ipv4-network?          inet:ipv4-
prefix
            |     | |   +--:(ace-ipv6)
            |     | |     +--rw destination-ipv6-network?    inet:ipv6-
prefix
            |     | |     +--rw source-ipv6-network?          inet:ipv6-
prefix
            |     | |     +--rw flow-label?                  inet:ipv6-
flow-label
            |     |   +--rw dscp?                            inet:dscp
            |     |   +--rw protocol?                        uint8
            |     |   +--rw source-port-range!
            |     | | +--rw lower-port      inet:port-number
            |     | | +--rw upper-port?     inet:port-number
            |     |   +--rw destination-port-range!
            |     | | +--rw lower-port      inet:port-number
            |     | | +--rw upper-port?     inet:port-number
            |     +--:(ace-eth)
            |       +--rw destination-mac-address?          yang:mac-address
            |       +--rw destination-mac-address-mask?     yang:mac-address
            |       +--rw source-mac-address?               yang:mac-address
            |       +--rw source-mac-address-mask?          yang:mac-address
          +--rw actions
            | +--rw (packet-handling)?
            |   +--:(deny)
            |     | +--rw deny?      empty
            |     +--:(permit)
            |       +--rw permit?    empty
          +--ro ace-oper-data
            +--ro match-counter?    yang:counter64

```

Figure 1



## 4. ACL YANG Models

### 4.1. IETF Access Control List module

"ietf-access-control-list" is the standard top level module for access lists. The "access-lists" container stores a list of "acl". Each "acl" has information identifying the access list by a name("acl-name") and a list("access-list-entries") of rules associated with the "acl-name". Each of the entries in the list("access-list-entries"), indexed by the string "rule-name", has containers defining "matches" and "actions". The "matches" define criteria used to identify patterns in "ietf-packet-fields". The "actions" define behavior to undertake once a "match" has been identified.

```
<CODE BEGINS>file "ietf-access-control-list@2016-10-12.yang"
module ietf-access-control-list {
  namespace "urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:yang:ietf-access-control-list";
  prefix acl;
  import ietf-yang-types {
    prefix yang;
  }
  import ietf-packet-fields {
    prefix packet-fields;
  }
  organization "IETF NETMOD (NETCONF Data Modeling Language)
    Working Group";
  contact
    "WG Web: http://tools.ietf.org/wg/netmod/
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  description
    "This YANG module defines a component that describing the
    configuration of Access Control Lists (ACLs).
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revision 2016-10-12 {
  description
    "Base model for Network Access Control List (ACL).";
  reference
    "RFC XXXX: Network Access Control List (ACL)
    YANG Data Model";
}

/*
 * Identities
 */

identity acl-base {
  description
    "Base Access Control List type for all Access Control List type
    identifiers.";
}

identity ipv4-acl {
  base acl:acl-base;
  description
    "ACL that primarily matches on fields from the IPv4 header
    (e.g. IPv4 destination address) and layer 4 headers (e.g. TCP
    destination port). An acl of type ipv4-acl does not contain
    matches on fields in the ethernet header or the IPv6 header.";
}

identity ipv6-acl {
  base acl:acl-base;
  description
    "ACL that primarily matches on fields from the IPv6 header
    (e.g. IPv6 destination address) and layer 4 headers (e.g. TCP
    destination port). An acl of type ipv6-acl does not contain
    matches on fields in the ethernet header or the IPv4 header.";
}

identity eth-acl {
  base acl:acl-base;
  description
    "ACL that primarily matches on fields in the ethernet header,
    like 10/100/1000baseT or WiFi Access Control List. An acl of
    type eth-acl does not contain matches on fields in the IPv4
    header, IPv6 header or layer 4 headers.";
}
```



```
/*
 * Typedefs
 */

typedef acl-type {
  type identityref {
    base acl-base;
  }
  description
    "This type is used to refer to an Access Control List
    (ACL) type";
}

typedef access-control-list-ref {
  type leafref {
    path "/access-lists/acl/acl-name";
  }
  description
    "This type is used by data models that need to reference an
    Access Control List";
}

/*
 * Configuration data nodes
 */

container access-lists {
  description
    "This is a top level container for Access Control Lists.
    It can have one or more Access Control Lists.";
  list acl {
    key "acl-type acl-name";
    description
      "An Access Control List(ACL) is an ordered list of
      Access List Entries (ACE). Each Access Control Entry has a
      list of match criteria and a list of actions.
      Since there are several kinds of Access Control Lists
      implemented with different attributes for
      different vendors, this
      model accommodates customizing Access Control Lists for
      each kind and for each vendor.";
    leaf acl-name {
      type string;
      description
        "The name of access-list. A device MAY restrict the length
        and value of this name, possibly space and special
        characters are not allowed.";
    }
  }
}
```





```
leaf acl-type {
  type acl-type;
  description
    "Type of access control list. Indicates the primary intended
    type of match criteria (e.g. ethernet, IPv4, IPv6, mixed, etc)
    used in the list instance.";
}
container acl-oper-data {
  config false;
  description
    "Overall Access Control List operational data";
}
container access-list-entries {
  description
    "The access-list-entries container contains
    a list of access-list-entries(ACE).";
  list ace {
    key "rule-name";
    ordered-by user;
    description
      "List of access list entries(ACE)";
    leaf rule-name {
      type string;
      description
        "A unique name identifying this Access List
        Entry(ACE).";
    }
    container matches {
      description
        "Definitions for match criteria for this Access List
        Entry.";
      choice ace-type {
        description
          "Type of access list entry.";
        case ace-ip {
          description "IP Access List Entry.";
          choice ace-ip-version {
            description
              "IP version used in this Access List Entry.";
            case ace-ipv4 {
              uses packet-fields:acl-ipv4-header-fields;
            }
            case ace-ipv6 {
              uses packet-fields:acl-ipv6-header-fields;
            }
          }
        }
        uses packet-fields:acl-ip-header-fields;
      }
    }
  }
}
```



```
        case ace-eth {
            description
                "Ethernet Access List entry.";
            uses packet-fields:acl-eth-header-fields;
        }
    }
}
container actions {
    description
        "Definitions of action criteria for this Access List
Entry.";
    choice packet-handling {
        default "deny";
        description
            "Packet handling action.";
        case deny {
            leaf deny {
                type empty;
                description
                    "Deny action.";
            }
        }
        case permit {
            leaf permit {
                type empty;
                description
                    "Permit action.";
            }
        }
    }
}

/*
 * Operational state data nodes
 */
container ace-oper-data {
    config false;
    description
        "Operational data for this Access List Entry.";
    leaf match-counter {
        type yang:counter64;
        description
            "Number of matches for this Access List Entry";
    }
}
}
```



```
}  
}  
<CODE ENDS>
```

#### 4.2. IETF Packet Fields module

The packet fields module defines the necessary groups for matching on fields in the packet including ethernet, ipv4, ipv6, and transport layer fields. Since the number of match criteria is very large, the base draft does not include these directly but references them by "uses" to keep the base module simple. In case more match conditions are needed, those can be added by augmenting choices within container "matches" in ietf-access-control-list.yang model.

```
<CODE BEGINS>file "ietf-packet-fields@2016-10-12.yang"  
module ietf-packet-fields {  
  namespace "urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:yang:ietf-packet-fields";  
  prefix packet-fields;  
  import ietf-inet-types {  
    prefix inet;  
  }  
  import ietf-yang-types {  
    prefix yang;  
  }  
  organization "IETF NETMOD (NETCONF Data Modeling Language) Working  
    Group";  
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  description  
    "This YANG module defines groupings that are used by  
    ietf-access-control-list YANG module. Their usage is not  
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```
revision 2016-10-12 {
  description
    "Initial version of packet fields used by
    ietf-access-control-list";
  reference
    "RFC XXXX: Network Access Control List (ACL)
    YANG Data Model";
}
grouping acl-transport-header-fields {
  description
    "Transport header fields";
  container source-port-range {
    presence "Enables setting source port range";
    description
      "Inclusive range representing source ports to be used.
      When only lower-port is present, it represents a single port.";
    leaf lower-port {
      type inet:port-number;
      mandatory true;
      description
        "Lower boundary for port.";
    }
    leaf upper-port {
      type inet:port-number;
      must ". >= ../lower-port" {
        error-message
          "The upper-port must be greater than or equal to lower-port";
      }
      description
        "Upper boundary for port . If existing, the upper port
        must be greater or equal to lower-port.";
    }
  }
}
container destination-port-range {
  presence "Enables setting destination port range";
  description
    "Inclusive range representing destination ports to be used. When
    only lower-port is present, it represents a single port.";
  leaf lower-port {
    type inet:port-number;
    mandatory true;
    description
```





```
        "Lower boundary for port.";
    }
    leaf upper-port {
        type inet:port-number;
        must ". >= ../lower-port" {
            error-message
                "The upper-port must be greater than or equal to lower-port";
        }

        description
            "Upper boundary for port. If existing, the upper port must
            be greater or equal to lower-port";
    }
}
}
grouping acl-ip-header-fields {
    description
        "IP header fields common to ipv4 and ipv6";
    leaf dscp {
        type inet:dscp;
        description
            "Value of dscp.";
    }
    leaf protocol {
        type uint8;
        description
            "Internet Protocol number.";
    }
    uses acl-transport-header-fields;
}
grouping acl-ipv4-header-fields {
    description
        "Fields in IPv4 header.";
    leaf destination-ipv4-network {
        type inet:ipv4-prefix;
        description
            "Destination IPv4 address prefix.";
    }
    leaf source-ipv4-network {
        type inet:ipv4-prefix;
        description
            "Source IPv4 address prefix.";
    }
}
}
grouping acl-ipv6-header-fields {
    description
        "Fields in IPv6 header";
    leaf destination-ipv6-network {
```



```
    type inet:ipv6-prefix;
    description
      "Destination IPv6 address prefix.";
  }
  leaf source-ipv6-network {
    type inet:ipv6-prefix;
    description
      "Source IPv6 address prefix.";
  }
  leaf flow-label {
    type inet:ipv6-flow-label;
    description
      "IPv6 Flow label.";
  }
  reference
    "RFC 4291: IP Version 6 Addressing Architecture
     RFC 4007: IPv6 Scoped Address Architecture
     RFC 5952: A Recommendation for IPv6 Address Text Representation";
}
grouping acl-eth-header-fields {
  description
    "Fields in Ethernet header.";
  leaf destination-mac-address {
    type yang:mac-address;
    description
      "Destination IEEE 802 MAC address.";
  }
  leaf destination-mac-address-mask {
    type yang:mac-address;
    description
      "Destination IEEE 802 MAC address mask.";
  }
  leaf source-mac-address {
    type yang:mac-address;
    description
      "Source IEEE 802 MAC address.";
  }
  leaf source-mac-address-mask {
    type yang:mac-address;
    description
      "Source IEEE 802 MAC address mask.";
  }
  reference
    "IEEE 802: IEEE Standard for Local and Metropolitan Area
     Networks: Overview and Architecture.";
}
}
```



<CODE ENDS>

### [4.3.](#) An ACL Example

Requirement: Deny tcp traffic from 10.10.10.1/24, destined to 11.11.11.1/24.

Here is the acl configuration xml for this Access Control List:

```
<?xml version='1.0' encoding='UTF-8'?>
<data xmlns="urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:netconf:base:1.0">
  <access-lists xmlns="urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:yang:ietf-access-control-list">
    <acl>
      <acl-name>sample-ipv4-acl</acl-name>
      <acl-type>ipv4</acl-type>
      <access-list-entries>
        <ace>
          <rule-name>rule1</rule-name>
          <matches>
            <source-ipv4-network>
              10.10.10.1/24
            </source-ipv4-network>
            <destination-ipv4-network>
              11.11.11.1/24
            </destination-ipv4-network>
          </matches>
          <actions>
            <deny />
          </actions>
          <protocol>
            tcp
          </protocol>
        </ace>
      </access-list-entries>
    </acl>
  </access-lists>
</data>
```

The acl and aces can be described in CLI as the following:

```
access-list ipv4 sample-ipv4-acl
deny tcp 10.10.10.1/24 11.11.11.1/24
```

### [4.4.](#) Port Range Usage Example

When a lower-port and an upper-port are both present, it represents a range between lower-port and upper-port with both the lower-port and



upper-port are included. When only a lower-port presents, it represents a single port.

With the follow XML snippet:

```
<source-port-range>
  <lower-port>16384</lower-port>
  <upper-port>16387</upper-port>
</source-port-range>
```

This represents source ports 16384,16385, 16386, and 16387.

With the follow XML snippet:

```
<source-port-range>
  <lower-port>16384</lower-port>
  <upper-port>65535</upper-port>
</source-port-range>
```

This represents source ports greater than/equal to 16384 and less than equal to 65535.

With the follow XML snippet:

```
<source-port-range>
  <lower-port>21</lower-port>
</source-port-range>
```

This represents port 21.

## **5. Security Considerations**

The YANG module defined in this memo is designed to be accessed via the NETCONF [[RFC6241](#)]. The lowest NETCONF layer is the secure transport layer and the mandatory-to-implement secure transport is SSH [[RFC6242](#)]. The NETCONF Access Control Model ( NACM [[RFC6536](#)] ) 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/creatable/deletable (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:

/access-lists/acl/access-list-entries: This list specifies all the configured access list entries on the device. Unauthorized write access to this list can allow intruders to access and control the system. Unauthorized read access to this list can allow intruders to spoof packets with authorized addresses thereby compromising the system.

## 6. IANA Considerations

This document registers a URI in the IETF XML registry [[RFC3688](#)]. Following the format in [RFC 3688](#), the following registration is requested to be made:

URI: urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:yang:ietf-access-control-list

URI: urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:yang:ietf-packet-fields

Registrant Contact: The IESG.

XML: N/A, the requested URI is an XML namespace.

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

name: ietf-access-control-list namespace:

urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:yang:ietf-access-control-list prefix: ietf-acl

reference: RFC XXXX

name: ietf-packet-fields namespace: urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:yang:ietf-

packet-fields prefix: ietf-packet-fields reference: RFC XXXX

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## [Appendix A](#). Extending ACL model examples

### [A.1](#). Example of extending existing model for route filtering

With proposed modular design, it is easy to extend the model with other features. Those features can be standard features, like route filters. Route filters match on specific IP addresses or ranges of prefixes. Much like ACLs, they include some match criteria and corresponding match action(s). For that reason, it is very simple to extend existing ACL model with route filtering. The combination of a route prefix and prefix length along with the type of match determines how route filters are evaluated against incoming routes. Different vendors have different match types and in this model we are using only ones that are common across all vendors participating in this draft. As in this example, the base ACL model can be extended with company proprietary extensions, described in the next section.

```
module: example-ext-route-filter
augment /ietf-acl:access-lists/ietf-acl:acl/ietf-acl:access-list-entries/ietf-
acl:ace/ietf-acl:matches:
```

```
  +--rw (route-prefix)?
    +--:(range)
      +--rw (ipv4-range)?
        | +--:(v4-lower-bound)
        | | +--rw v4-lower-bound?   inet:ipv4-prefix
        | +--:(v4-upper-bound)
        | | +--rw v4-upper-bound?   inet:ipv4-prefix
      +--rw (ipv6-range)?
        +--:(v6-lower-bound)
        | +--rw v6-lower-bound?   inet:ipv6-prefix
        +--:(v6-upper-bound)
        | +--rw v6-upper-bound?   inet:ipv6-prefix
```

```
file "example-ext-route-filter@2016-10-12.yang"
module example-ext-route-filter {
  namespace "urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:yang:example-ext-route-filter";
  prefix example-ext-route-filter;
  import ietf-inet-types {
    prefix "inet";
  }
  import ietf-access-control-list {
    prefix "ietf-acl";
  }

  organization
    "Route model group.";

  contact
```

"abc@abc.com";

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```
description "  
  This module describes route filter as a collection of  
  match prefixes. When specifying a match prefix, you  
  can specify an exact match with a particular route or  
  a less precise match. You can configure either a  
  common action that applies to the entire list or an  
  action associated with each prefix.  
  ";  
revision 2016-10-12 {  
  description  
    "Creating Route-Filter extension model based on  
    ietf-access-control-list model";  
  reference " ";  
}  
augment "/ietf-acl:access-lists/ietf-acl:acl/"  
+ "ietf-acl:access-list-entries/ietf-acl:ace/ietf-acl:matches"{  
  description "  
    This module augments the matches container in the ietf-acl  
    module with route filter specific actions  
    ";  
  choice route-prefix{  
    description "Define route filter match criteria";  
    case range {  
      description  
        "Route falls between the lower prefix/prefix-length  
        and the upperprefix/prefix-length.";  
      choice ipv4-range {  
        description "Defines the IPv4 prefix range";  
        leaf v4-lower-bound {  
          type inet:ipv4-prefix;  
          description  
            "Defines the lower IPv4 prefix/prefix length";  
        }  
        leaf v4-upper-bound {  
          type inet:ipv4-prefix;  
          description  
            "Defines the upper IPv4 prefix/prefix length";  
        }  
      }  
    }  
    choice ipv6-range {  
      description "Defines the IPv6 prefix/prefix range";  
      leaf v6-lower-bound {  
        type inet:ipv6-prefix;  
        description  
          "Defines the lower IPv6 prefix/prefix length";  
      }  
      leaf v6-upper-bound {  
        type inet:ipv6-prefix;
```





```
        description
          "Defines the upper IPv6 prefix/prefix length";
      }
  }
}
}
```

## [A.2.](#) A company proprietary module example

Access control list typically does not exist in isolation. Instead, they are associated with a certain scope in which they are applied, for example, an interface of a set of interfaces. How to attach an access control list to an interface (or other system artifact) is outside the scope of this model, as it depends on the specifics of the system model that is being applied. However, in general, the general design pattern will involve adding a data node with a reference, or set of references, to ACLs that are to be applied to the interface. For this purpose, the type definition "access-control-list-ref" can be used.

Module "example-newco-acl" is an example of company proprietary model that augments "ietf-acl" module. It shows how to use 'augment' with an XPath expression to add additional match criteria, action criteria, and default actions when no ACE matches found, as well how to attach an Access Control List to an interface. All these are company proprietary extensions or system feature extensions. "example-newco-acl" is just an example and it is expected from vendors to create their own proprietary models.

The following figure is the tree structure of example-newco-acl. In this example, /ietf-acl:access-lists/ietf-acl:acl/ietf-acl:access-list-entries/ ietf-acl:ace/ietf-acl:matches are augmented with two new choices, protocol-payload-choice and metadata. The protocol-payload-choice uses a grouping with an enumeration of all supported protocol values. Metadata matches apply to fields associated with the packet but not in the packet header such as input interface or overall packet length. In other example, /ietf-acl:access-lists/ietf-acl:acl/ietf-acl:access-list-entries/ ietf-acl:ace/ietf-acl:actions are augmented with new choice of actions.



```
module: example-newco-acl
augment /ietf-acl:access-lists/ietf-acl:acl/ietf-acl:access-list-entries/ietf-
acl:ace/ietf-acl:matches:
  +--rw (protocol-payload-choice)?
  |   +--:(protocol-payload)
  |       +--rw protocol-payload* [value-keyword]
  |           +--rw value-keyword    enumeration
  +--rw (metadata)?
  |   +--:(interface-name)
  |       +--rw interface-name* [input-interface]
  |           +--rw input-interface    ietf-if:interface-ref
augment /ietf-acl:access-lists/ietf-acl:acl/ietf-acl:access-list-entries/ietf-
acl:ace/ietf-acl:actions:
  +--rw (action)?
  |   +--:(count)
  |       +--rw count?                string
  |   +--:(policer)
  |       +--rw policer?              string
  |   +--:(hierarchical-policer)
  |       +--rw hierarchitac1-policer? string
augment /ietf-acl:access-lists/ietf-acl:acl:
  +--rw default-actions
  +--rw deny?    empty
augment /ietf-if:interfaces/ietf-if:interface:
  +--rw acl
  |   +--rw acl-name?          ietf-acl:access-control-list-ref
  |   +--ro match-counter?     yang:counter64
  |   +--rw (direction)?
  |       +--:(in)
  |           +--rw in?        empty
  |       +--:(out)
  |           +--rw out?        empty
augment /ietf-acl:access-lists/ietf-acl:acl/ietf-acl:acl-oper-data:
  +--ro targets
  |   +--ro (interface)?
  |       +--:(interface-name)
  |           +--ro interface-name*    ietf-if:interface-ref
```

```
file "newco-acl@2016-10-12.yang"
```

```
module example-newco-acl {
```

```
  yang-version 1.1;
```

```
  namespace "urn:newco:params:xml:ns:yang:example-newco-acl";
```

```
  prefix example-newco-acl;
```

```
import ietf-access-control-list {  
  prefix "ietf-acl";
```

```
}

import ietf-interfaces {
  prefix "ietf-if";
}

import ietf-yang-types {
  prefix yang;
}

organization
  "Newco model group.";

contact
  "abc@newco.com";
description
  "This YANG module augment IETF ACL Yang.";

revision 2016-10-12{
  description
    "Creating NewCo proprietary extensions to ietf-acl model";
  reference
    "RFC XXXX: Network Access Control List (ACL)
    YANG Data Model";
}

augment "/ietf-acl:access-lists/ietf-acl:acl/ietf-acl:access-list-entries/
ietf-acl:ace/ietf-acl:matches" {
  description "Newco proprietary simple filter matches";
  choice protocol-payload-choice {
    description "Newo proprietary payload match condition";
    list protocol-payload {
      key value-keyword;
      ordered-by user;
      description "Match protocol payload";
      uses match-simple-payload-protocol-value;
    }
  }

  choice metadata {
    description "Newco proprietary interface match condition";
    list interface-name {
      key input-interface;
      ordered-by user;
      description "Match interface name";
      uses metadata;
    }
  }
}
```

}

```
augment "/ietf-acl:access-lists/ietf-acl:acl/ietf-acl:access-list-entries/
ietf-acl:ace/ietf-acl:actions" {
  description "Newco proprietary simple filter actions";
  choice action {
    description "";
    case count {
      description "Count the packet in the named counter";
      leaf count {
        type string;
        description "";
      }
    }
    case policer {
      description "Name of policer to use to rate-limit traffic";
      leaf policer {
        type string;
        description "";
      }
    }
    case hierarchical-policer {
      description "Name of hierarchical policer to use to
rate-limit traffic";
      leaf hierarchitac1-policer{
        type string;
        description "";
      }
    }
  }
}

augment "/ietf-acl:access-lists/ietf-acl:acl" {
  description "Newco proprietary default action";
  container default-actions {
    description
      "Actions that occur if no access-list entry is matched.";
    leaf deny {
      type empty;
      description "";
    }
  }
}

grouping metadata {
  description
    "Fields associated with a packet which are not in
the header.";
  leaf input-interface {
    type ietf-if:interface-ref {
```



```
require-instance false;
```

```
    }
    description
      "Packet was received on this interface";
  }
}

grouping match-simple-payload-protocol-value {
  description "Newco proprietary payload";
  leaf value-keyword {
    type enumeration {
      enum icmp {
        description "Internet Control Message Protocol";
      }
      enum icmp6 {
        description "Internet Control Message Protocol Version 6";
      }
      enum range {
        description "Range of values";
      }
    }

    description "(null)";
  }
}

augment "/ietf-if:interfaces/ietf-if:interface" {
  description "Apply ACL to interfaces";
  container acl {
    description "ACL related properties.";
    leaf acl-name {
      type ietf-acl:access-control-list-ref;
      description "Access Control List name.";
    }
    leaf match-counter {
      type yang:counter64;
      config false;
      description
        "Total match count for Access Control
        List on this interface";
    }
    choice direction {
      leaf in { type empty; }
      leaf out { type empty; }
    }
  }
}

augment "/ietf-acl:access-lists/ietf-acl:acl/ietf-acl:acl-oper-data" {
```



```

description
  "This is an example on how to apply acl to a target to collect
  operational data";
container targets{
  choice interface{
    leaf-list interface-name{
      type ietf-if:interface-ref {
        require-instance true;
      }
      description "Access Control List was attached to this interface";
    }
  }
}
}
}
}

```

Draft authors expect that different vendors will provide their own yang models as in the example above, which is the augmentation of the base model

### [A.3.](#) Example to augment model with mixed ACL type

As vendors (or IETF) add more features to ACL, the model is easily augmented. One of such augmentations can be to add support for mixed type of ACLs, where `acl-type-base` can be augmented like in example below:

```

identity mixed-l3-acl {
  base "access-control-list:acl-type-base";
  description "ACL that contains a mix of entries that
  primarily match on fields in IPv4 headers and entries
  that primarily match on fields in IPv6 headers.
  Matching on layer 4 header fields may also exist in the
  list. An acl of type mixed-l3-acl does not contain
  matches on fields in the ethernet header.";
}

identity mixed-l2-l3-acl {
  base "access-control-list:acl-type-base";
  description "ACL that contains a mix of entries that
  primarily match on fields in ethernet headers, entries
  that primarily match on fields in IPv4 headers, and entries
  that primarily match on fields in IPv6 headers. Matching on
  layer 4 header fields may also exist in the list.";
}

```



#### [A.4.](#) Linux nftables

As Linux platform is becoming more popular as networking platform, the Linux data model is changing. Previously ACLs in Linux were highly protocol specific and different utilities were used (iptables, ip6tables, arptables, ebtables), so each one had separate data model. Recently, this has changed and a single utility, nftables, has been developed. With a single application, it has a single data model for firewall filters and it follows very similarly to the ietf-access-control list module proposed in this draft. The nftables support input and output ACEs and each ACE can be defined with match and action.

The example in [Section 4.3](#) can be configured using nftable tool as below.

```
nft add table ip filter
nft add chain filter input
nft add rule ip filter input ip protocol tcp ip saddr 10.10.10.1/24 drop
```

The configuration entries added in nftable would be.

```
table ip filter {
  chain input {
    ip protocol tcp ip saddr 10.10.10.1/24 drop
  }
}
```

We can see that there are many similarities between Linux nftables and IETF ACL YANG data models and its extension models. It should be fairly easy to do translation between ACL YANG model described in this draft and Linux nftables.

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