# Overview and Using Open Source Tools For Network Management

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## Libnetconf/Libnetconf2

- NETCONF library is needed to build NETCONF client and servers
- Comes from the Netopeer project.
- Two versions are available:
- libnetconf
  - based on libxml2
  - Maintenance stopped in 2017
  - https://github.com/CESNET/libnetconf
- libnetconf2
  - is based on libyang library instead of libxml2
  - It rapidly improves performance
  - increases the processing speed and decreases memory consumption
  - https://github.com/CESNET/libnetconf2

#### Libnetconf2

- NETCONF 1.0 (RFC 4741) and NETCONF 1.1 (RFC 6241) supported
- The main features include:
  - NETCONF over SSH (RFC 4742, RFC 6242), using libssh.
  - NETCONF over TLS (<u>RFC 7589</u>), using <u>OpenSSL</u>.
  - DNSSEC SSH Key Fingerprints (RFC 4255)
  - NETCONF over pre-established transport sessions
  - NETCONF Call Home (RFC 8071).
  - NETCONF Event Notifications (<u>RFC 5277</u>),

# Libyang

- Netopeer project origin
- libyang is YANG parser implemented and provided as a library with API in C language.
- It allows you to load and validate the YANG schemas and data.
- The schemas are supported in YANG as well in YIN format
- Data are supported in XML and JSON representation.
- The source codes:

https://github.com/CESNET/libyang

# Libyang cont'd

#### Support:

- YANG 1.0 (RFC 6020) as well as YANG 1.1 (RFC 7950).
- Parsing, validating and printing instance data in JSON format (RFC 7951).
- Support for default values in the instance data (<u>RFC 6243</u>).
- Support for YANG Metadata (<u>RFC 7952</u>).

#### Features:

- Parsing (and validating) schemas in YANG format.
- Parsing (and validating) schemas in YIN format.
- Parsing, validating and printing instance data in XML format.
- Manipulation with the instance data.
- Support for YANG extensions.
- yanglint feature-rich YANG tool.

## Sysrepo

- Sysrepo is an <u>YANG</u>-based configuration and operational state data store for Unix/Linux applications.
- https://github.com/sysrepo
- YANG 1.1 support
- ability to store / retrieve YANG-modeled data elements addressed by Xpath
- startup, running and candidate datastore support
- data consistency and constraints enforecment according to YANG models

# Sysrepo cont'd

- no single point of failure design (does not require any daemon to be running)
- full transaction and concurrency support
- notifications of subscribed applications about the changes made in the datastore
- commit verifiers (change verification by subscribed applications)
- operational data support (publishing of application's state data to sysrepo)
- plugins infrastructure for loosely-coupled integration with sysrepo
- custom RPC, Event Notifications, YANG 1.1 Actions support
- Python 2 & 3, Lua 5.1 & 5.2, Java bindigs
- notification store & notification replay
- NACM (NETCONF Access Control Model) disabled by default

#### pyang

- pyang is a YANG validator, transformer and code generator, written in python.
- It is used to:
  - validate YANG modules for correctness
  - to transform YANG modules into other formats,
  - and to generate code from the modules.

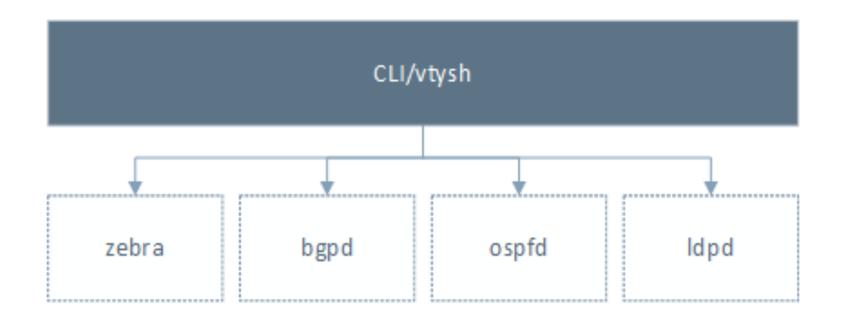
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- pyang is compatible with the following IETF RFCs:
- RFC 6020
- RFC 6087
- RFC 6110
- RFC 6643
- RFC 7950
- RFC 7952

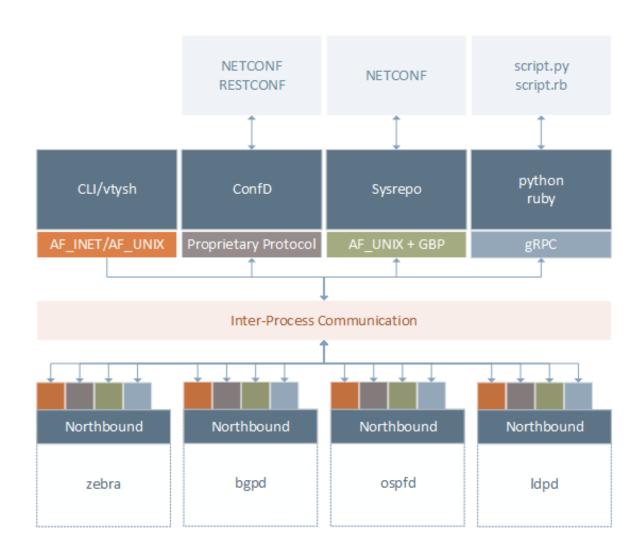
#### Tools are available

- Why do we need them?
- How to use them?
- A management entity and central data store is needed
- A protocol to communicate with external systems
- A schema that describes devices/protocols/functions

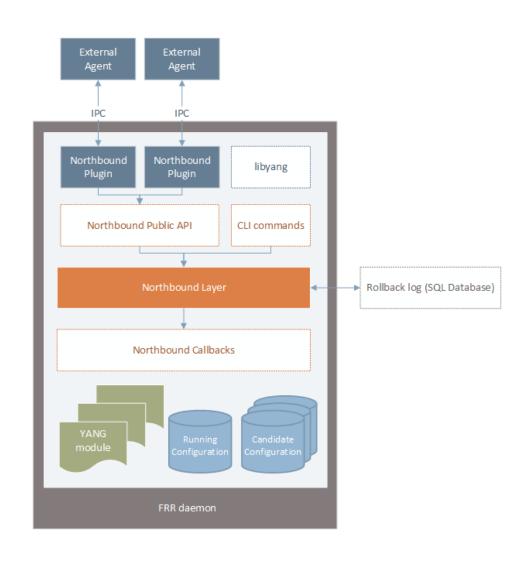
# How FRR daemon's were managed?



#### New Northbound Architecture



### New Northbound Architecture – Internal View



#### Conclusion

- Mature products
- There is work to be done for implementation to make it work