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#### Abstract

This document defines an extension to the Babel routing protocol that allows announcing routes to an IPv4 prefix with an IPv6 next-hop, which makes it possible for IPv4 traffic to flow through interfaces that have not been assigned an IPv4 address.

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## 1. Introduction

Traditionally, a routing table maps a network prefix of a given address family to a next-hop address in the same address family. The sole purpose of this next-hop address is to serve as an input to a protocol that will map it to a link-layer address, Neighbour Discovery (ND) [RFC4861] in the case of IPv6, Address Resolution (ARP) [RFC0826] in the case of IPv4. Therefore, there is no reason why the address family of the next hop address should match that of the prefix being announced: an IPv6 next-hop yields a link-layer address that is suitable for forwarding both IPv6 or IPv4 traffic.

We call a route towards an IPv4 prefix that uses an IPv6 next hop a "v4-over-v6" route. Since an IPv6 next-hop can use a link-local address that is autonomously configured, the use of v4-over-v6 routes enables a mode of operation where the network core has no statically assigned IP addresses of either family, thus significantly reducing the amount of manual configuration.

This document describes an extension that allows the Babel routing protocol [RFC6126bis] to announce routes towards IPv6 prefixes with IPv4 next hops. The extension is inspired by a previously defined extension to the BGP protocol [RFC5549].

### 1.1. Specification of Requirements

The key words "MUST", "MUST NOT", "REQUIRED", "SHALL", "SHALL NOT", "SHOULD", "SHOULD NOT", "RECOMMENDED", "NOT RECOMMENDED", "MAY", and "OPTIONAL" in this document are to be interpreted as described in BCP 14 [RFC2119] [RFC8174] when, and only when, they appear in all capitals, as shown here.

## 2. Protocol operation

The Babel protocol fully supports double-stack operation: all data that represent a neighbour address or a network prefix are tagged by an Address Encoding (AE), a small integer that identifies the address family (IPv4 or IPv6) of the address of prefix, and describes how it is encoded. This extension defines a new AE, called v4-over-v6, which has the same format as the existing AE for IPv4 addresses. This new AE is only allowed in TLVs that carry network prefixes: TLVs that carry a neighbour address use the normal encodings for IPv6 addresses.

### 2.1. Announcing v4-over-v6 routes

A Babel node that needs to announce an IPv4 route over an interface that has no assigned IPv4 address MAY make a v4-over-v6 announcement. In order to do so, it first establishes an IPv6 next-hop address in the usual manner (either by sending the Babel packet over IPv6, or by including a Next Hop TLV containing an IPv6 address); it then sends an Update with AE equal to TBD containing the IPv4 prefix being announced.

If the outgoing interface has been assigned an IPv4 address, then, in the interest of maximising compatibility with existing routers, the sender SHOULD prefer an ordinary IPv4 announcement; even in that case, however, it MAY use a v4-over-v6 announcement. A node SHOULD NOT send both ordinary IPv4 and v4-over-v6 announcements for the same prefix over a single interface (if the update is sent to a multicast address) or to a single neighbour (if sent to a unicast address), since doing that doubles the amount of routing traffic while providing no benefit.

### 2.2. Receiving v4-over-v6 routes

Upon reception of an Update TLV with a v4-over-v6 AE, a Babel node computes the IPv6 next-hop, as described in Section 4.6.9 of [RFC6126bis]. If no IPv6 next-hop exists, then the Update MUST be silently ignored. If an IPv6 next-hop exists, then the node MAY acquire the route being announced, as described in Section 3.5.3 of [RFC6126bis]; the parameters of the route are as follows:

- o the prefix, plen, router-id, seqno, metric MUST be computed as for an IPv4 route, as described in Section 4.6.9 of [RFC6126bis];
- o the next-hop MUST be computed as for an IPv6 route, as described in Section 4.6.9 of [RFC6126bis]: it is taken from the last preceding Next-Hop TLV with an AE field equal to 2 or 3; if no such entry exists, and if the Update TLV has been sent in a Babel packet carried over IPv6, then the next-hop is the network-layer source address of the packet.

As usual, a node MAY ignore the update, e.g., due to filtering (Appendix C of [RFC6126bis]). If a node cannot install v4-over-v6 routes, eg., due to hardware or software limitations, then routes to an IPv4 prefix with an IPv6 next-hop MUST NOT be selected, as described in Section 3.5.3 of [RFC6126bis].

### 2.3. Prefix and seqno requests

Prefix and seqno requests are used to request an update for a given prefix. Since they are not related to a specific Next-Hop, there is no semantic difference between ordinary IPv4 and v4-over-v6 requests.

A node SHOULD NOT send requests of either kind with the AE field being set to TBD (v4-over-v6); instead, it SHOULD request IPv4 updates using requests with the AE field being set to 1 (IPv4).

When receiving requests, AEs 1 (IPv4) and TBD (v4-over-v6) MUST be treated in the same manner: the receiver processes the request as described in Section 3.8 of [RFC6126bis]. If an Update is sent, then it MAY be sent with AE 1 or TBD, as described in Section 2.1 above, irrespective of which AE was used in the request.

When receiving a request with AE 0 (wildcard), the receiver SHOULD send a full route dump, as described in Section 3.8.1.1 of [RFC6126bis]. Any IPv4 routes contained in the route dump MAY use either AE 1 or AE TBD, as described in Section 2.1 above.

### 2.4. Other TLVs

The only other TLV defined by [RFC6126bis] that carries an AE field is the IHU TLV. IHU TLVs MUST NOT carry the AE TBD (v4-over-v6).

## 3. Backwards compatibility

This protocol extension adds no new TLVs or sub-TLVs.

This protocol extension uses a new AE. As discussed in Appendix D of [RFC6126bis] and specified in the same document, implementations that

do not understand the present extension will silently ignore the various TLVs that use this new AE. As a result, incompatible versions will ignore v4-over-v6 routes. They will also ignore requests with AE TBD, which, as stated in Section 2.3, are NOT RECOMMENDED.

Using a new AE introduces a new compression state, used to parse the network prefixes. As this compression state is separate from other AEs' states, it will not interfere with the compression state of unextended nodes.

This extension reuses the next-hop state from AEs 2 and 3 (IPv6), but makes no changes to the way it is updated, and therefore causes no compatibility issues.

As mentioned in Section 2.1, ordinary IPv4 announcements are preferred to v4-over-v6 announcements when the outgoing interface has an assigned IPv4 address; doing otherwise would prevent routers that do not implement this extension from learning the route being announced.

#### 4. Protocol encoding

This extension defines the v4-over-v6 AE, whose value is TBD. This AE is solely used to tag network prefixes, and MUST NOT be used to tag peers' addresses, eg. in Next-Hop or IHU TLVs.

This extension defines no new TLVs or sub-TLVs.

##### 4.1. Prefix encoding

Network prefixes tagged with AE TBD MUST be encoded and decoded as prefixes tagged with AE 1 (IPv4), as described in Section 4.3.1 of [RFC6126bis].

A new compression state for AE TBD (v4-over-v6) distinct from that of AE 1 (IPv4) is introduced, and MUST be used for address compression of prefixes tagged with AE TBD, as described in Section 4.6.9 of [RFC6126bis]

##### 4.2. Changes for existing TLVs

The following TLVs MAY be tagged with AE TBD:

- o Update (Type = 8)
- o Route Request (Type = 9)

- o Seqno Request (Type = 10)

As AE TBD is suitable only to tag network prefixes, IHU (Type = 5) and Next-Hop (Type = 7) TLVs MUST NOT be tagged with AE TBD. Such TLVs MUST be silently ignored.

#### 4.2.1. Update

An Update (Type = 8) TLV with AE = TBD is constructed as described in Section 4.6.9 of [RFC6126bis] for AE 1 (IPv4), with the following specificities:

- o Prefix. The Prefix field is constructed according to the Section 4.1 above.
- o Next hop. The next hop is determined as described in Section 2.2 above.

#### 4.2.2. Other valid TLVs tagged with AE = TBD

Any other valid TLV tagged with AE = TBD MUST be constructed and decoded as described in Section 4.6 of [RFC6126bis]. Network prefixes within MUST be constructed and decoded as described in Section 4.1 above.

### 5. IANA Considerations

IANA is requested to allocate a value (4 suggested) in the "Babel Address Encodings" registry as follows:

AE	Name	Reference
TBD	v4-over-v6	(this document)

### 6. Security Considerations

This extension does not fundamentally change the security properties of the Babel protocol: as described in Section 6 of [RFC6126bis], Babel must be protected by a suitable cryptographic mechanism in order to be made secure.

However, enabling this extension will allow IPv4 traffic to flow through sections of a network that have not been assigned IPv4 addresses, which, in turn, might allow IPv4 traffic to reach areas of the network that were previously inaccessible to such traffic. If this is undesirable, the flow of IPv4 traffic must be restricted by

the use of suitable filtering rules (Appendix C of [RFC6126bis]) together with matching access control rules in the data plane.

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Abstract

This Babel Information Model provides structured data elements for a Babel implementation reporting its current state and may allow limited configuration of some such data elements. This information model can be used as a basis for creating data models under various data modeling regimes.

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## 1. Introduction

Babel is a loop-avoiding distance-vector routing protocol defined in [I-D.ietf-babel-rfc6126bis]. [I-D.ietf-babel-hmac] defines a security mechanism that allows Babel packets to be cryptographically authenticated, and [I-D.ietf-babel-dtls] defines a security mechanism that allows Babel packets to be encrypted. This document describes an information model for Babel (including implementations using one or both of these security mechanisms) that can be used to create management protocol data models (such as a NETCONF [RFC6241] YANG [RFC7950] data model).

Due to the simplicity of the Babel protocol, most of the information model is focused on reporting Babel protocol operational state, and very little of that is considered mandatory to implement for an implementation claiming compliance with this information model. Some parameters may be configurable. However, it is up to the Babel implementation whether to allow any of these to be configured within its implementation. Where the implementation does not allow

configuration of these parameters, it MAY still choose to expose them as read-only.

The Information Model is presented using a hierarchical structure. This does not preclude a data model based on this Information Model from using a referential or other structure.

### 1.1. Requirements Language

The key words "MUST", "MUST NOT", "REQUIRED", "SHALL", "SHALL NOT", "SHOULD", "SHOULD NOT", "RECOMMENDED", "MAY", and "OPTIONAL" in this document are to be interpreted as described in [RFC2119] and updated by [RFC8174].

### 1.2. Notation

This document uses a programming language-like notation to define the properties of the objects of the information model. An optional property is enclosed by square brackets, [ ], and a list property is indicated by two numbers in angle brackets, <m..n>, where m indicates the minimal number of list elements, and n indicates the maximum number of list elements. The symbol \* for n means there are no defined limits on the number of list elements. Each parameter and object includes an indication of "ro" or "rw". "ro" means the parameter or object is read-only. "rw" means it is read-write. For an object, read-write means instances of the object can be created or deleted. If an implementation is allowed to choose to implement a "rw" parameter as read-only, this is noted in the parameter description.

The object definitions use base types that are defined as follows:

binary	A binary string (sequence of octets).
boolean	A type representing a Boolean (true or false) value.
counter	A non-negative integer that monotonically increases. Counters may have discontinuities and they are not expected to persist across restarts.
datetime	A type representing a date and time using the Gregorian calendar. The datetime format MUST conform to RFC 3339 [RFC3339].
ip-address	A type representing an IP address. This type supports both IPv4 and IPv6 addresses.

operation	A type representing a remote procedure call or other action that can be used to manipulate data elements or system behaviors.
reference	A type representing a reference to another information or data model element or to some other device resource.
string	A type representing a human-readable string consisting of a (possibly restricted) subset of Unicode and ISO/IEC 10646 [ISO.10646] characters.
uint	A type representing an unsigned integer number. This information model does not define a precision.

## 2. Overview

The Information Model is hierarchically structured as follows:

```
+-- babel-information
  +-- babel-implementation-version
  +-- babel-enable
  +-- router-id
  +-- self-seqno
  +-- babel-metric-comp-algorithms
  +-- babel-security-supported
  +-- babel-mac-algorithms
  +-- babel-dtls-cert-types
  +-- babel-stats-enable
  +-- babel-stats-reset
  +-- babel-constants
  |   +-- babel-udp-port
  |   +-- babel-mcast-group
  +-- babel-interfaces
  |   +-- babel-interface-reference
  |   +-- babel-interface-enable
  |   +-- babel-interface-metric-algorithm
  |   +-- babel-interface-split-horizon
  |   +-- babel-mcast-hello-seqno
  |   +-- babel-mcast-hello-interval
  |   +-- babel-update-interval
  |   +-- babel-mac-enable
  |   +-- babel-if-mac-key-sets
  |   +-- babel-mac-verify
  |   +-- babel-dtls-enable
  |   +-- babel-if-dtls-cert-sets
  |   +-- babel-dtls-cached-info
  |   +-- babel-dtls-cert-prefer
  |   +-- babel-packet-log-enable
```

```
| +-- babel-packet-log
| +-- babel-if-stats
| | +-- babel-sent-mcast-hello
| | +-- babel-sent-mcast-update
| | +-- babel-sent-ucast-hello
| | +-- babel-sent-ucast-update
| | +-- babel-sent-IHU
| | +-- babel-received-packets
| +-- babel-neighbors
| | +-- babel-neighbor-address
| | +-- babel-hello-mcast-history
| | +-- babel-hello-ucast-history
| | +-- babel-txcost
| | +-- babel-exp-mcast-hello-seqno
| | +-- babel-exp-ucast-hello-seqno
| | +-- babel-ucast-hello-seqno
| | +-- babel-ucast-hello-interval
| | +-- babel-rxcost
| | +-- babel-cost
+-- babel-routes
| +-- babel-route-prefix
| +-- babel-route-prefix-length
| +-- babel-route-router-id
| +-- babel-route-neighbor
| +-- babel-route-received-metric
| +-- babel-route-calculated-metric
| +-- babel-route-seqno
| +-- babel-route-next-hop
| +-- babel-route-feasible
| +-- babel-route-selected
+-- babel-mac-key-sets
| +-- babel-mac-default-apply
| +-- babel-mac-keys
| | +-- babel-mac-key-name
| | +-- babel-mac-key-use-sign
| | +-- babel-mac-key-use-verify
| | +-- babel-mac-key-value
| | +-- babel-mac-key-algorithm
| | +-- babel-mac-key-test
+-- babel-dtls-cert-sets
| +-- babel-dtls-default-apply
| +-- babel-dtls-certs
| | +-- babel-cert-name
| | +-- babel-cert-value
| | +-- babel-cert-type
| | +-- babel-cert-private-key
| | +-- babel-cert-test
```

Most parameters are read-only. Following is a descriptive list of the parameters that are not required to be read-only:

- o enable/disable Babel
- o create/delete Babel MAC Key sets
- o create/delete Babel DTLS Certificate sets
- o enable/disable statistics collection
- o Constant: UDP port
- o Constant: IPv6 multicast group
- o Interface: Metric algorithm
- o Interface: Split horizon
- o Interface: enable/disable Babel on this interface
- o Interface: sets of MAC keys
- o Interface: MAC algorithm
- o Interface: verify received MAC packets
- o Interface: set of DTLS certificates
- o Interface: use cached info extensions
- o Interface: preferred order of certificate types
- o Interface: enable/disable packet log
- o MAC-keys: create/delete entries
- o MAC-keys: key used to sign packets
- o MAC-keys: key used to verify packets
- o DTLS-certs: create/delete entries

The following parameters are required to return no value when read:

- o MAC key values
- o DTLS certificate values

Note that this overview is intended simply to be informative and is not normative. If there is any discrepancy between this overview and the detailed information model definitions in subsequent sections, the error is in this overview.

### 3. The Information Model

#### 3.1. Definition of babel-information-obj

```

object {
    string                ro babel-implementation-version;
    boolean               rw babel-enable;
    binary                ro babel-self-router-id;
    [uint                 ro babel-self-seqno;]
    string                ro babel-metric-comp-algorithms<1..*>;
    string                ro babel-security-supported<0..*>;
    [string               ro babel-mac-algorithms<1..*>;]
    [string               ro babel-dtls-cert-types<1..*>;]
    [boolean              rw babel-stats-enable;]
    [operation            babel-stats-reset;]
    babel-constants-obj  ro babel-constants;
    babel-interfaces-obj ro babel-interfaces<0..*>;
    babel-routes-obj     ro babel-routes<0..*>;
    [babel-mac-key-sets-obj rw babel-mac-key-sets<0..*>;]
    [babel-dtls-cert-sets-obj rw babel-dtls-cert-sets<0..*>;]
} babel-information-obj;

```

**babel-implementation-version:** The name and version of this implementation of the Babel protocol.

**babel-enable:** When written, it configures whether the protocol should be enabled (true) or disabled (false). A read from the running or intended datastore indicates the configured administrative value of whether the protocol is enabled (true) or not (false). A read from the operational datastore indicates whether the protocol is actually running (true) or not (i.e., it indicates the operational state of the protocol). A data model that does not replicate parameters for running and operational datastores can implement this as two separate parameters. An implementation MAY choose to expose this parameter as read-only ("ro").

**babel-self-router-id:** The router-id used by this instance of the Babel protocol to identify itself. [I-D.ietf-babel-rfc6126bis] describes this as an arbitrary string of 8 octets. The router-id value MUST NOT consist of all zeroes or all ones.

**babel-self-seqno:** The current sequence number included in route updates for routes originated by this node. This is a 16-bit unsigned integer.

**babel-metric-comp-algorithms:** List of supported cost computation algorithms. Possible values include "2-out-of-3", and "ETX". "2-out-of-3" is described in [I-D.ietf-babel-rfc6126bis], section A.2.1. "ETX" is described in [I-D.ietf-babel-rfc6126bis], section A.2.2.

**babel-security-supported:** List of supported security mechanisms. Possible values include "MAC" and "DTLS".

**babel-mac-algorithms:** List of supported MAC computation algorithms. Possible values include "HMAC-SHA256", "BLAKE2s".

**babel-dtls-cert-types:** List of supported DTLS certificate types. Possible values include "X.509" and "RawPublicKey".

**babel-stats-enable:** Indicates whether statistics collection is enabled (true) or disabled (false) on all interfaces.

**babel-stats-reset:** An operation that resets all babel-if-stats parameters to zero. This operation has no input or output parameters.

**babel-constants:** A babel-constants-obj object.

**babel-interfaces:** A set of babel-interface-obj objects.

**babel-routes:** A set of babel-route-obj objects. Contains the routes known to this node.

**babel-mac-key-sets:** A babel-mac-key-sets-obj object. If this object is implemented, it provides access to parameters related to the MAC security mechanism. An implementation MAY choose to expose this object as read-only ("ro").

**babel-dtls-cert-sets:** A babel-dtls-cert-sets-obj object. If this object is implemented, it provides access to parameters related to the DTLS security mechanism. An implementation MAY choose to expose this object as read-only ("ro").

### 3.2. Definition of babel-constants-obj

```

object {
    uint          rw babel-udp-port;
    [ip-address   rw babel-mcast-group;]
} babel-constants-obj;

```

**babel-udp-port:** UDP port for sending and listening for Babel packets. Default is 6696. An implementation MAY choose to expose this parameter as read-only ("ro"). This is a 16-bit unsigned integer.

**babel-mcast-group:** Multicast group for sending and listening to multicast announcements on IPv6. Default is ff02::1:6. An implementation MAY choose to expose this parameter as read-only ("ro").

### 3.3. Definition of babel-interfaces-obj

```

object {
    reference          ro babel-interface-reference;
    [boolean          rw babel-interface-enable;]
    string            rw babel-interface-metric-algorithm;
    [boolean          rw babel-interface-split-horizon;]
    [uint            ro babel-mcast-hello-seqno;]
    [uint            ro babel-mcast-hello-interval;]
    [uint            ro babel-update-interval;]
    [boolean          rw babel-mac-enable;]
    [reference        rw babel-if-mac-key-sets<0..*>;]
    [boolean          rw babel-mac-verify;]
    [boolean          rw babel-dtls-enable;]
    [reference        rw babel-if-dtls-cert-sets<0..*>;]
    [boolean          rw babel-dtls-cached-info;]
    [string          rw babel-dtls-cert-prefer<0..*>;]
    [boolean          rw babel-packet-log-enable;]
    [reference        ro babel-packet-log;]
    [babel-if-stats-obj ro babel-if-stats;]
    babel-neighbors-obj ro babel-neighbors<0..*>;
} babel-interfaces-obj;

```

**babel-interface-reference:** Reference to an interface object that can be used to send and receive IPv6 packets, as defined by the data model (e.g., YANG [RFC7950], BBF [TR-181]). Referencing syntax will be specific to the data model. If there is no set of interface objects available, this should be a string that indicates the interface name used by the underlying operating system.

**babel-interface-enable:** When written, it configures whether the protocol should be enabled (true) or disabled (false) on this

interface. A read from the running or intended datastore indicates the configured administrative value of whether the protocol is enabled (true) or not (false). A read from the operational datastore indicates whether the protocol is actually running (true) or not (i.e., it indicates the operational state of the protocol). A data model that does not replicate parameters for running and operational datastores can implement this as two separate parameters. An implementation MAY choose to expose this parameter as read-only ("ro").

**babel-interface-metric-algorithm:** Indicates the metric computation algorithm used on this interface. The value MUST be one of those listed in the babel-information-obj babel-metric-comp-algorithms parameter. An implementation MAY choose to expose this parameter as read-only ("ro").

**babel-interface-split-horizon:** 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. Split horizon optimization is described in [I-D.ietf-babel-rfc6126bis], section 3.7.4. An implementation MAY choose to expose this parameter as read-only ("ro").

**babel-mcast-hello-seqno:** The current sequence number in use for multicast Hellos sent on this interface. This is a 16-bit unsigned integer.

**babel-mcast-hello-interval:** The current interval in use for multicast Hellos sent on this interface. Units are centiseconds. This is a 16-bit unsigned integer.

**babel-update-interval:** The current interval in use for all updates (multicast and unicast) sent on this interface. Units are centiseconds. This is a 16-bit unsigned integer.

**babel-mac-enable:** Indicates whether the MAC security mechanism is enabled (true) or disabled (false). An implementation MAY choose to expose this parameter as read-only ("ro").

**babel-if-mac-keys-sets:** List of references to the babel-mac entries that apply to this interface. When an interface instance is created, all babel-mac-key-sets instances with babel-mac-default-apply "true" will be included in this list. An implementation MAY choose to expose this parameter as read-only ("ro").

**babel-mac-verify** A Boolean flag indicating whether MAC hashes 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 hash. An implementation MAY choose to expose this parameter as read-only ("ro").

**babel-dtls-enable:** Indicates whether the DTLS security mechanism is enabled (true) or disabled (false). An implementation MAY choose to expose this parameter as read-only ("ro").

**babel-if-dtls-cert-sets:** List of references to the babel-dtls-cert-sets entries that apply to this interface. When an interface instance is created, all babel-dtls-cert-sets instances with babel-dtls-default-apply "true" will be included in this list. An implementation MAY choose to expose this parameter as read-only ("ro").

**babel-dtls-cached-info:** Indicates whether the cached\_info extension is included in ClientHello and ServerHello packets. The extension is included if the value is "true". An implementation MAY choose to expose this parameter as read-only ("ro").

**babel-dtls-cert-prefer:** List of supported certificate types, in order of preference. The values MUST be among those listed in the babel-dtls-cert-types parameter. 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 babel-dtls-certs object of a referenced babel-dtls instance and that have a non-empty babel-cert-private-key will be used to populate the client\_certificate\_type extension in a Client Hello.

**babel-packet-log-enable:** Indicates whether packet logging is enabled (true) or disabled (false) on this interface.

**babel-packet-log:** A reference or url link to a file that contains a timestamped log of packets received and sent on babel-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 babel-packet-log-enable.

**babel-if-stats:** Statistics collection object for this interface.

**babel-neighbors:** A set of babel-neighbors-obj objects.

#### 3.4. Definition of babel-if-stats-obj

```
object {
  uint          ro babel-sent-mcast-hello;
  uint          ro babel-sent-mcast-update;
  uint          ro babel-sent-ucast-hello;
  uint          ro babel-sent-ucast-update;
  uint          ro babel-sent-IHU;
  uint          ro babel-received-packets;
} babel-if-stats-obj;
```

babel-sent-mcast-hello: A count of the number of multicast Hello packets sent on this interface.

babel-sent-mcast-update: A count of the number of multicast update packets sent on this interface.

babel-sent-ucast-hello: A count of the number of unicast Hello packets sent on this interface.

babel-sent-ucast-update: A count of the number of unicast update packets sent on this interface.

babel-sent-IHU: A count of the number of IHU packets sent on this interface.

babel-received-packets: A count of the number of Babel packets received on this interface.

### 3.5. Definition of babel-neighbors-obj

```
object {
  ip-address    ro babel-neighbor-address;
  [binary       ro babel-hello-mcast-history;]
  [binary       ro babel-hello-ucast-history;]
  uint         ro babel-txcost;
  uint         ro babel-exp-mcast-hello-seqno;
  uint         ro babel-exp-ucast-hello-seqno;
  [uint        ro babel-ucast-hello-seqno;]
  [uint        ro babel-ucast-hello-interval;]
  [uint        ro babel-rxcost;]
  [uint        ro babel-cost;]
} babel-neighbors-obj;
```

babel-neighbor-address: IPv4 or IPv6 address the neighbor sends packets from.

babel-hello-mcast-history: The multicast Hello history of whether or not the multicast Hello packets prior to babel-exp-mcast-hello-seqno were received. A binary sequence where the most recently

received Hello is expressed as a "1" placed in the left-most bit, with prior bits shifted right (and "0" bits placed between prior Hello bits and most recent Hello for any not-received Hellos). This value should be displayed using hex digits ([0-9a-fA-F]). See [I-D.ietf-babel-rfc6126bis], section A.1.

**babel-hello-ucast-history:** The unicast Hello history of whether or not the unicast Hello packets prior to babel-exp-ucast-hello-seqno were received. A binary sequence where the most recently received Hello is expressed as a "1" placed in the left-most bit, with prior bits shifted right (and "0" bits placed between prior Hello bits and most recent Hello for any not-received Hellos). This value should be displayed using hex digits ([0-9a-fA-F]). See [I-D.ietf-babel-rfc6126bis], section A.1.

**babel-txcost:** Transmission cost value from the last IHU packet received from this neighbor, or maximum value to indicate the IHU hold timer for this neighbor has expired. See [I-D.ietf-babel-rfc6126bis], section 3.4.2. This is a 16-bit unsigned integer.

**babel-exp-mcast-hello-seqno:** 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. This is a 16-bit unsigned integer; if the data model uses zero (0) to represent NULL values for unsigned integers, the data model MAY use a different data type that allows differentiation between zero (0) and NULL.

**babel-exp-ucast-hello-seqno:** 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. This is a 16-bit unsigned integer; if the data model uses zero (0) to represent NULL values for unsigned integers, the data model MAY use a different data type that allows differentiation between zero (0) and NULL.

**babel-ucast-hello-seqno:** The current sequence number in use for unicast Hellos sent to this neighbor. If unicast Hellos are not being sent, this MUST be NULL. This is a 16-bit unsigned integer; if the data model uses zero (0) to represent NULL values for unsigned integers, the data model MAY use a different data type that allows differentiation between zero (0) and NULL.

**babel-ucast-hello-interval:** The current interval in use for unicast Hellos sent to this neighbor. Units are centiseconds. This is a 16-bit unsigned integer.

**babel-rxcost:** 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. See [I-D.ietf-babel-rfc6126bis], section 3.4.3. This is a 16-bit unsigned integer.

**babel-cost:** The link cost, as 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. This is a 16-bit unsigned integer.

### 3.6. Definition of babel-routes-obj

```
object {
  ip-address      ro babel-route-prefix;
  uint            ro babel-route-prefix-length;
  binary          ro babel-route-router-id;
  string          ro babel-route-neighbor;
  uint            ro babel-route-received-metric;
  uint            ro babel-route-calculated-metric;
  uint            ro babel-route-seqno;
  ip-address      ro babel-route-next-hop;
  boolean         ro babel-route-feasible;
  boolean         ro babel-route-selected;
} babel-routes-obj;
```

**babel-route-prefix:** Prefix (expressed in IP address format) for which this route is advertised.

**babel-route-prefix-length:** Length of the prefix for which this route is advertised.

**babel-route-router-id:** The router-id of the router that originated this route.

**babel-route-neighbor:** Reference to the babel-neighbors entry for the neighbor that advertised this route.

**babel-route-received-metric:** The metric with which this route was advertised by the neighbor, or maximum value to indicate the route was recently retracted and is temporarily unreachable (see Section 3.5.5 of [I-D.ietf-babel-rfc6126bis]). This metric will be NULL if the route was not received from a neighbor but was generated through other means. At least one of babel-route-calculated-metric and babel-route-received-metric MUST be non-NULL. Having both be non-NULL is expected for a route that is received and subsequently advertised. This is a 16-bit unsigned

integer; if the data model uses zero (0) to represent NULL values for unsigned integers, the data model MAY use a different data type that allows differentiation between zero (0) and NULL.

**babel-route-calculated-metric:** A calculated metric for this route. How the metric is calculated is implementation-specific. Maximum value indicates the route was recently retracted and is temporarily unreachable (see Section 3.5.5 of [I-D.ietf-babel-rfc6126bis]). At least one of **babel-route-calculated-metric** and **babel-route-received-metric** MUST be non-NULL. Having both be non-NULL is expected for a route that is received and subsequently advertised. This is a 16-bit unsigned integer; if the data model uses zero (0) to represent NULL values for unsigned integers, the data model MAY use a different data type that allows differentiation between zero (0) and NULL.

**babel-route-seqno:** The sequence number with which this route was advertised. This is a 16-bit unsigned integer.

**babel-route-next-hop:** The next-hop address of this route. This will be empty if this route has no next-hop address.

**babel-route-feasible:** A Boolean flag indicating whether this route is feasible, as defined in Section 3.5.1 of [I-D.ietf-babel-rfc6126bis]).

**babel-route-selected:** A Boolean flag indicating whether this route is selected (i.e., whether it is currently being used for forwarding and is being advertised).

### 3.7. Definition of babel-mac-key-sets-obj

```
object {
    boolean                rw babel-mac-default-apply;
    babel-mac-keys-obj     rw babel-mac-keys<0..*>;
} babel-mac-obj;
```

**babel-mac-default-apply:** A Boolean flag indicating whether this **babel-mac** instance is applied to all new **babel-interface** instances, by default. If "true", this instance is applied to new **babel-interfaces** instances at the time they are created, by including it in the **babel-interface-mac-keys** list. If "false", this instance is not applied to new **babel-interfaces** instances when they are created. An implementation MAY choose to expose this parameter as read-only ("ro").

**babel-mac-keys:** A set of **babel-mac-keys-obj** objects.

## 3.8. Definition of babel-mac-keys-obj

```
object {
  string          rw babel-mac-key-name;
  boolean         rw babel-mac-key-use-sign;
  boolean         rw babel-mac-key-use-verify;
  binary          -- babel-mac-key-value;
  string          rw babel-mac-key-algorithm;
  [operation      babel-mac-key-test;]
} babel-mac-keys-obj;
```

**babel-mac-key-name:** 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 MUST NOT be empty and can only be provided when this instance is created (i.e., it is not subsequently writable). The value MAY be auto-generated if not explicitly supplied when the instance is created.

**babel-key-use-sign:** Indicates whether this key value is used to sign sent Babel packets. Sent packets are signed using this key if the value is "true". If the value is "false", this key is not used to sign sent Babel packets. An implementation MAY choose to expose this parameter as read-only ("ro").

**babel-key-use-verify:** 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 with the MAC in an incoming packet. An implementation MAY choose to expose this parameter as read-only ("ro").

**babel-key-value:** 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 when read, 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 babel-mac-key-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 "BLAKE2s", the length MUST be between 0 and 32 bytes inclusive, as described in [RFC7693].

**babel-mac-key-algorithm** The name of the MAC algorithm used with this key. The value MUST be the same as one of the enumerations listed in the babel-mac-algorithms parameter. An implementation MAY choose to expose this parameter as read-only ("ro").

**babel-mac-test:** An operation that allows the MAC key and hash algorithm to be tested to see if they produce an expected outcome. Input to this operation is a binary string. The implementation is expected to create a hash of this string using the `babel-mac-key-value` and the `babel-mac-algorithm`. The output of this operation is the resulting hash, as a binary string.

### 3.9. Definition of `babel-dtls-cert-sets-obj`

```
object {
    boolean                rw babel-dtls-default-apply;
    babel-dtls-certs-obj  rw babel-dtls-certs<0..*>;
} babel-dtls-obj;
```

**babel-dtls-default-apply:** A Boolean flag indicating whether this `babel-dtls` instance is applied to all new `babel-interface` instances, by default. If "true", this instance is applied to new `babel-interfaces` instances at the time they are created, by including it in the `babel-interface-dtls-certs` list. If "false", this instance is not applied to new `babel-interfaces` instances when they are created. An implementation MAY choose to expose this parameter as read-only ("ro").

**babel-dtls-certs:** A set of `babel-dtls-keys-obj` objects. This contains both certificates for this implementation to present for authentication, and to accept from others. Certificates with a non-empty `babel-cert-private-key` can be presented by this implementation for authentication.

### 3.10. Definition of `babel-dtls-certs-obj`

```
object {
    string                rw babel-cert-name;
    string                rw babel-cert-value;
    string                rw babel-cert-type;
    binary                -- babel-cert-private-key;
    [operation            babel-cert-test;]
} babel-dtls-certs-obj;
```

**babel-cert-name:** A unique name for this DTLS 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). The value MAY be auto-generated if not explicitly supplied when the instance is created.

**babel-cert-value:** The DTLS certificate in PEM format [RFC7468].

This value **MUST** be provided when this instance is created, and is not subsequently writable.

**babel-cert-type:** The name of the certificate type of this object instance. The value **MUST** be the same as one of the enumerations listed in the `babel-dtls-cert-types` parameter. This value can only be provided when this instance is created, and is not subsequently writable.

**babel-cert-private-key:** 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 when read, or through permissions, or other means. This value can only be provided when this instance is created, and is not subsequently writable.

**babel-cert-test:** An operation that allows a hash of the provided input string to be created using the certificate public key and the SHA-256 hash algorithm. Input to this operation is a binary string. The output of this operation is the resulting hash, as a binary string.

#### 4. Extending the Information Model

Implementations **MAY** extend this information model with other parameters or objects. For example, an implementation **MAY** choose to expose Babel route filtering rules by adding a route filtering object with parameters appropriate to how route filtering is done in that implementation. The precise means used to extend the information model would be specific to the data model the implementation uses to expose this information.

#### 5. Security Considerations

This document defines a set of information model objects and parameters that may be exposed to be visible from other devices, and some of which may be configured. Securing access to and ensuring the integrity of this data is in scope of and the responsibility of any data model derived from this information model. Specifically, any YANG [RFC7950] data model is expected to define security exposure of the various parameters, and a [TR-181] data model will be secured by the mechanisms defined for the management protocol used to transport it.

Misconfiguration (whether unintentional or malicious) can prevent reachability or cause poor network performance (increased latency,

jitter, etc.). The information in this model discloses network topology, which can be used to mount subsequent attacks on traffic traversing the network.

This information model defines objects that can allow credentials (for this device, for trusted devices, and for trusted certificate authorities) to be added and deleted. Public keys may be exposed through this model. This model requires that private keys never be exposed. The Babel security mechanisms that make use of these credentials (e.g., [I-D.ietf-babel-dtls], [I-D.ietf-babel-hmac]) identify what credentials can be used with those mechanisms.

MAC keys are allowed to be as short as zero-length. This is useful for testing. Network operators are advised to follow current best practices for key length and generation of keys related to the MAC algorithm associated with the key. Short (and zero-length) keys and keys that make use of only alphanumeric characters are highly susceptible to brute force attacks.

## 6. IANA Considerations

This document has no IANA actions.

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This Babel Information Model provides structured data elements for a Babel implementation reporting its current state and may allow limited configuration of some such data elements. This information model can be used as a basis for creating data models under various data modeling regimes. This information model only includes parameters and parameter values useful for managing Babel over IPv6.

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## 1. Introduction

Babel is a loop-avoiding distance-vector routing protocol defined in [RFC8966]. [RFC8967] defines a security mechanism that allows Babel packets to be cryptographically authenticated, and [RFC8968] defines a security mechanism that allows Babel packets to be both authenticated and encrypted. This document describes an information model for Babel (including implementations using one or both of these security mechanisms) that can be used to create management protocol data models (such as a NETCONF [RFC6241] YANG [RFC7950] data model).

Due to the simplicity of the Babel protocol, most of the information model is focused on reporting Babel protocol operational state, and very little of that is considered mandatory to implement for an implementation claiming compliance with this information model. Some parameters may be configurable. However, it is up to the Babel implementation whether to allow any of these to be configured within its implementation. Where the implementation does not allow configuration of these parameters, it MAY still choose to expose them as read-only.

The Information Model is presented using a hierarchical structure. This does not preclude a data model based on this Information Model from using a referential or other structure.

This information model only includes parameters and parameter values useful for managing Babel over IPv6. This model has no parameters or values specific to operating Babel over IPv4, even though [RFC8966] does define a multicast group for sending and listening to multicast announcements on IPv4. There is less likelihood of breakage due to inconsistent configuration and increased implementation simplicity if Babel is operated always and only over IPv6. Running Babel over IPv6 requires IPv6 at the link layer and does not need advertised prefixes, router advertisements or DHCPv6 to be present in the network. Link-local IPv6 is widely supported among devices where Babel is expected to be used. Note that Babel over IPv6 can be used for configuration of both IPv4 and IPv6 routes.

### 1.1. Requirements Language

The key words "MUST", "MUST NOT", "REQUIRED", "SHALL", "SHALL NOT", "SHOULD", "SHOULD NOT", "RECOMMENDED", "NOT RECOMMENDED", "MAY", and "OPTIONAL" in this document are to be interpreted as described in BCP014 [RFC2119] [RFC8174] when, and only when, they appear in all capitals, as shown here.

### 1.2. Notation

This document uses a programming language-like notation to define the properties of the objects of the information model. An optional property is enclosed by square brackets, [ ], and a list property is indicated by two numbers in angle brackets, <m..n>, where m indicates the minimal number of list elements, and n indicates the maximum number of list elements. The symbol \* for n means there are no defined limits on the number of list elements. Each parameter and object includes an indication of "ro" or "rw". "ro" means the parameter or object is read-only. "rw" means it is read-write. For an object, read-write means instances of the object can be created or deleted. If an implementation is allowed to choose to implement a

"rw" parameter as read-only, this is noted in the parameter description.

The object definitions use base types that are defined as follows:

binary        A binary string (sequence of octets).

boolean       A type representing a Boolean (true or false) value.

datetime      A type representing a date and time using the Gregorian calendar. The datetime format MUST conform to RFC 3339 [RFC3339] Section 5.6.

ip-address    A type representing an IP address. This type supports both IPv4 and IPv6 addresses.

operation     A type representing a remote procedure call or other action that can be used to manipulate data elements or system behaviors.

reference     A type representing a reference to another information or data model element or to some other device resource.

string        A type representing a human-readable string consisting of a (possibly restricted) subset of Unicode and ISO/IEC 10646 [ISO.10646] characters.

uint          A type representing an unsigned integer number. This information model does not define a precision.

## 2. Overview

The Information Model is hierarchically structured as follows:

```
+-- babel-information
  +-- babel-implementation-version
  +-- babel-enable
  +-- router-id
  +-- self-seqno
  +-- babel-metric-comp-algorithms
  +-- babel-security-supported
  +-- babel-mac-algorithms
  +-- babel-dtls-cert-types
  +-- babel-stats-enable
  +-- babel-stats-reset
  +-- babel-constants
     | +-- babel-udp-port
     | +-- babel-mcast-group
```

```
+-- babel-interfaces
|
|  +-- babel-interface-reference
|  +-- babel-interface-enable
|  +-- babel-interface-metric-algorithm
|  +-- babel-interface-split-horizon
|  +-- babel-mcast-hello-seqno
|  +-- babel-mcast-hello-interval
|  +-- babel-update-interval
|  +-- babel-mac-enable
|  +-- babel-if-mac-key-sets
|  +-- babel-mac-verify
|  +-- babel-dtls-enable
|  +-- babel-if-dtls-cert-sets
|  +-- babel-dtls-cached-info
|  +-- babel-dtls-cert-prefer
|  +-- babel-packet-log-enable
|  +-- babel-packet-log
|  +-- babel-if-stats
|  |
|  |  +-- babel-sent-mcast-hello
|  |  +-- babel-sent-mcast-update
|  |  +-- babel-sent-ucast-hello
|  |  +-- babel-sent-ucast-update
|  |  +-- babel-sent-IHU
|  |  +-- babel-received-packets
|  +-- babel-neighbors
|  |
|  |  +-- babel-neighbor-address
|  |  +-- babel-hello-mcast-history
|  |  +-- babel-hello-ucast-history
|  |  +-- babel-txcost
|  |  +-- babel-exp-mcast-hello-seqno
|  |  +-- babel-exp-ucast-hello-seqno
|  |  +-- babel-ucast-hello-seqno
|  |  +-- babel-ucast-hello-interval
|  |  +-- babel-rxcost
|  |  +-- babel-cost
|  +-- babel-routes
|  |
|  |  +-- babel-route-prefix
|  |  +-- babel-route-prefix-length
|  |  +-- babel-route-router-id
|  |  +-- babel-route-neighbor
|  |  +-- babel-route-received-metric
|  |  +-- babel-route-calculated-metric
|  |  +-- babel-route-seqno
|  |  +-- babel-route-next-hop
|  |  +-- babel-route-feasible
|  |  +-- babel-route-selected
|  +-- babel-mac-key-sets
|  |
|  |  +-- babel-mac-default-apply
```

```
| +-- babel-mac-keys  
|   +-- babel-mac-key-name  
|   +-- babel-mac-key-use-send  
|   +-- babel-mac-key-use-verify  
|   +-- babel-mac-key-value  
|   +-- babel-mac-key-algorithm  
|   +-- babel-mac-key-test  
+-- babel-dtls-cert-sets  
  +-- babel-dtls-default-apply  
  +-- babel-dtls-certs  
    +-- babel-cert-name  
    +-- babel-cert-value  
    +-- babel-cert-type  
    +-- babel-cert-private-key
```

Most parameters are read-only. Following is a descriptive list of the parameters that are not required to be read-only:

- \* enable/disable Babel
- \* create/delete Babel MAC Key sets
- \* create/delete Babel Certificate sets
- \* enable/disable statistics collection
- \* Constant: UDP port
- \* Constant: IPv6 multicast group
- \* Interface: enable/disable Babel on this interface
- \* Interface: Metric algorithm
- \* Interface: Split horizon
- \* Interface: sets of MAC keys
- \* Interface: verify received MAC packets
- \* Interface: set of certificates for use with DTLS
- \* Interface: use cached info extensions
- \* Interface: preferred order of certificate types
- \* Interface: enable/disable packet log

- \* MAC-keys: create/delete entries
- \* MAC-keys: key used for sent packets
- \* MAC-keys: key used to verify packets
- \* DTLS-certs: create/delete entries

The following parameters are required to return no value when read:

- \* MAC key values
- \* DTLS private keys

Note that this overview is intended simply to be informative and is not normative. If there is any discrepancy between this overview and the detailed information model definitions in subsequent sections, the error is in this overview.

### 3. The Information Model

#### 3.1. Definition of babel-information-obj

```
object {
    string                ro babel-implementation-version;
    boolean               rw babel-enable;
    binary                ro babel-self-router-id;
    [uint                 ro babel-self-seqno;]
    string                ro babel-metric-comp-algorithms<1..*>;
    string                ro babel-security-supported<0..*>;
    [string               ro babel-mac-algorithms<1..*>;]
    [string               ro babel-dtls-cert-types<1..*>;]
    [boolean              rw babel-stats-enable;]
    [operation            babel-stats-reset;]
    babel-constants-obj  ro babel-constants;
    babel-interface-obj  ro babel-interfaces<0..*>;
    babel-route-obj      ro babel-routes<0..*>;
    [babel-mac-key-set-obj rw babel-mac-key-sets<0..*>;]
    [babel-dtls-cert-set-obj rw babel-dtls-cert-sets<0..*>;]
} babel-information-obj;
```

babel-implementation-version: The name and version of this implementation of the Babel protocol.

babel-enable: When written, it configures whether the protocol should be enabled (true) or disabled (false). A read from the running or intended datastore indicates the configured administrative value of whether the protocol is enabled (true) or

not (false). A read from the operational datastore indicates whether the protocol is actually running (true) or not (i.e., it indicates the operational state of the protocol). A data model that does not replicate parameters for running and operational datastores can implement this as two separate parameters. An implementation MAY choose to expose this parameter as read-only ("ro").

**babel-self-router-id:** The router-id used by this instance of the Babel protocol to identify itself. [RFC8966] describes this as an arbitrary string of 8 octets.

**babel-self-seqno:** The current sequence number included in route updates for routes originated by this node. This is a 16-bit unsigned integer.

**babel-metric-comp-algorithms:** List of supported cost computation algorithms. Possible values include "2-out-of-3", and "ETX". "2-out-of-3" is described in [RFC8966], section A.2.1. "ETX" is described in [RFC8966], section A.2.2.

**babel-security-supported:** List of supported security mechanisms. Possible values include "MAC" to indicate support of [RFC8967] and "DTLS" to indicate support of [RFC8968].

**babel-mac-algorithms:** List of supported MAC computation algorithms. Possible values include "HMAC-SHA256", "BLAKE2s-128" to indicate support for algorithms indicated in [RFC8967].

**babel-dtls-cert-types:** List of supported certificate types. Possible values include "X.509" and "RawPublicKey" to indicate support for types indicated in [RFC8968].

**babel-stats-enable:** 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.

**babel-stats-reset:** An operation that resets all babel-if-stats parameters to zero. This operation has no input or output parameters.

**babel-constants:** A babel-constants-obj object.

**babel-interfaces:** A set of babel-interface-obj objects.

**babel-routes:** A set of babel-route-obj objects. Contains the routes known to this node.

`babel-mac-key-sets`: A set of `babel-mac-key-set-obj` objects. If this object is implemented, it provides access to parameters related to the MAC security mechanism. An implementation MAY choose to expose this object as read-only ("ro").

`babel-dtls-cert-sets`: A set of `babel-dtls-cert-set-obj` objects. If this object is implemented, it provides access to parameters related to the DTLS security mechanism. An implementation MAY choose to expose this object as read-only ("ro").

### 3.2. Definition of `babel-constants-obj`

```
object {  
    uint          rw babel-udp-port;  
    [ip-address   rw babel-mcast-group;]  
} babel-constants-obj;
```

`babel-udp-port`: UDP port for sending and listening for Babel packets. Default is 6696. An implementation MAY choose to expose this parameter as read-only ("ro"). This is a 16-bit unsigned integer.

`babel-mcast-group`: Multicast group for sending and listening to multicast announcements on IPv6. Default is ff02::1:6. An implementation MAY choose to expose this parameter as read-only ("ro").

### 3.3. Definition of `babel-interface-obj`

```

object {
  reference          ro babel-interface-reference;
  [boolean           rw babel-interface-enable;]
  string            rw babel-interface-metric-algorithm;
  [boolean           rw babel-interface-split-horizon;]
  [uint             ro babel-mcast-hello-seqno;]
  [uint             ro babel-mcast-hello-interval;]
  [uint             ro babel-update-interval;]
  [boolean           rw babel-mac-enable;]
  [reference         rw babel-if-mac-key-sets<0..*>;]
  [boolean           rw babel-mac-verify;]
  [boolean           rw babel-dtls-enable;]
  [reference         rw babel-if-dtls-cert-sets<0..*>;]
  [boolean           rw babel-dtls-cached-info;]
  [string           rw babel-dtls-cert-prefer<0..*>;]
  [boolean           rw babel-packet-log-enable;]
  [reference         ro babel-packet-log;]
  [babel-if-stats-obj ro babel-if-stats;]
  babel-neighbor-obj ro babel-neighbors<0..*>;
} babel-interface-obj;

```

**babel-interface-reference:** Reference to an interface object that can be used to send and receive IPv6 packets, as defined by the data model (e.g., YANG [RFC7950], BBF [TR-181]). Referencing syntax will be specific to the data model. If there is no set of interface objects available, this should be a string that indicates the interface name used by the underlying operating system.

**babel-interface-enable:** When written, it configures whether the protocol should be enabled (true) or disabled (false) on this interface. A read from the running or intended datastore indicates the configured administrative value of whether the protocol is enabled (true) or not (false). A read from the operational datastore indicates whether the protocol is actually running (true) or not (i.e., it indicates the operational state of the protocol). A data model that does not replicate parameters for running and operational datastores can implement this as two separate parameters. An implementation MAY choose to expose this parameter as read-only ("ro").

**babel-interface-metric-algorithm:** Indicates the metric computation algorithm used on this interface. The value MUST be one of those listed in the babel-information-obj babel-metric-comp-algorithms parameter. An implementation MAY choose to expose this parameter as read-only ("ro").

**babel-interface-split-horizon:** 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. Split horizon optimization is described in [RFC8966], section 3.7.4. An implementation MAY choose to expose this parameter as read-only ("ro").

**babel-mcast-hello-seqno:** The current sequence number in use for multicast Hellos sent on this interface. This is a 16-bit unsigned integer.

**babel-mcast-hello-interval:** The current interval in use for multicast Hellos sent on this interface. Units are centiseconds. This is a 16-bit unsigned integer.

**babel-update-interval:** The current interval in use for all updates (multicast and unicast) sent on this interface. Units are centiseconds. This is a 16-bit unsigned integer.

**babel-mac-enable:** Indicates whether the MAC security mechanism is enabled (true) or disabled (false). An implementation MAY choose to expose this parameter as read-only ("ro").

**babel-if-mac-keys-sets:** List of references to the babel-mac entries that apply to this interface. When an interface instance is created, all babel-mac-key-sets instances with babel-mac-default-apply "true" will be included in this list. An implementation MAY choose to expose this parameter as read-only ("ro").

**babel-mac-verify** 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. An implementation MAY choose to expose this parameter as read-only ("ro").

**babel-dtls-enable:** Indicates whether the DTLS security mechanism is enabled (true) or disabled (false). An implementation MAY choose to expose this parameter as read-only ("ro").

**babel-if-dtls-cert-sets:** List of references to the babel-dtls-cert-sets entries that apply to this interface. When an interface instance is created, all babel-dtls-cert-sets instances with babel-dtls-default-apply "true" will be included in this list. An implementation MAY choose to expose this parameter as read-only ("ro").

**babel-dtls-cached-info:** Indicates whether the cached\_info extension

(see [RFC8968] Appendix A) is included in ClientHello and ServerHello packets. The extension is included if the value is "true". An implementation MAY choose to expose this parameter as read-only ("ro").

**babel-dtls-cert-prefer:** List of supported certificate types, in order of preference. The values MUST be among those listed in the babel-dtls-cert-types parameter. This list is used to populate the server\_certificate\_type extension (see [RFC8968] Appendix A) in a Client Hello. Values that are present in at least one instance in the babel-dtls-certs object of a referenced babel-dtls instance and that have a non-empty babel-cert-private-key will be used to populate the client\_certificate\_type extension in a Client Hello.

**babel-packet-log-enable:** Indicates whether packet logging is enabled (true) or disabled (false) on this interface.

**babel-packet-log:** A reference or url link to a file that contains a timestamped log of packets received and sent on babel-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 babel-packet-log-enable. Implementations will need to carefully manage and limit memory used by packet logs.

**babel-if-stats:** Statistics collection object for this interface.

**babel-neighbors:** A set of babel-neighbor-obj objects.

### 3.4. Definition of babel-if-stats-obj

```
object {
    uint    ro babel-sent-mcast-hello;
    uint    ro babel-sent-mcast-update;
    uint    ro babel-sent-ucast-hello;
    uint    ro babel-sent-ucast-update;
    uint    ro babel-sent-IHU;
    uint    ro babel-received-packets;
} babel-if-stats-obj;
```

**babel-sent-mcast-hello:** A count of the number of multicast Hello packets sent on this interface.

**babel-sent-mcast-update:** A count of the number of multicast update packets sent on this interface.

**babel-sent-ucast-hello:** A count of the number of unicast Hello

packets sent on this interface.

**babel-sent-ucast-update:** A count of the number of unicast update packets sent on this interface.

**babel-sent-IHU:** A count of the number of IHU packets sent on this interface.

**babel-received-packets:** A count of the number of Babel packets received on this interface.

### 3.5. Definition of babel-neighbor-obj

```
object {
  ip-address      ro babel-neighbor-address;
  [binary         ro babel-hello-mcast-history;]
  [binary         ro babel-hello-ucast-history;]
  uint            ro babel-txcost;
  uint            ro babel-exp-mcast-hello-seqno;
  uint            ro babel-exp-ucast-hello-seqno;
  [uint           ro babel-ucast-hello-seqno;]
  [uint           ro babel-ucast-hello-interval;]
  [uint           ro babel-rxcost;]
  [uint           ro babel-cost;]
} babel-neighbor-obj;
```

**babel-neighbor-address:** IPv4 or IPv6 address the neighbor sends packets from.

**babel-hello-mcast-history:** The multicast Hello history of whether or not the multicast Hello packets prior to babel-exp-mcast-hello-seqno were received. A binary sequence where the most recently received Hello is expressed as a "1" placed in the left-most bit, with prior bits shifted right (and "0" bits placed between prior Hello bits and most recent Hello for any not-received Hellos). This value should be displayed using hex digits ([0-9a-fA-F]). See [RFC8966], section A.1.

**babel-hello-ucast-history:** The unicast Hello history of whether or not the unicast Hello packets prior to babel-exp-ucast-hello-seqno were received. A binary sequence where the most recently received Hello is expressed as a "1" placed in the left-most bit, with prior bits shifted right (and "0" bits placed between prior Hello bits and most recent Hello for any not-received Hellos). This value should be displayed using hex digits ([0-9a-fA-F]). See [RFC8966], section A.1.

**babel-txcost:** Transmission cost value from the last IHU packet

received from this neighbor, or maximum value to indicate the IHU hold timer for this neighbor has expired. See [RFC8966], section 3.4.2. This is a 16-bit unsigned integer.

**babel-exp-mcast-hello-seqno:** 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. This is a 16-bit unsigned integer; if the data model uses zero (0) to represent NULL values for unsigned integers, the data model MAY use a different data type that allows differentiation between zero (0) and NULL.

**babel-exp-ucast-hello-seqno:** 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. This is a 16-bit unsigned integer; if the data model uses zero (0) to represent NULL values for unsigned integers, the data model MAY use a different data type that allows differentiation between zero (0) and NULL.

**babel-ucast-hello-seqno:** The current sequence number in use for unicast Hellos sent to this neighbor. If unicast Hellos are not being sent, this MUST be NULL. This is a 16-bit unsigned integer; if the data model uses zero (0) to represent NULL values for unsigned integers, the data model MAY use a different data type that allows differentiation between zero (0) and NULL.

**babel-ucast-hello-interval:** The current interval in use for unicast Hellos sent to this neighbor. Units are centiseconds. This is a 16-bit unsigned integer.

**babel-rxcost:** 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. See [RFC8966], section 3.4.3. This is a 16-bit unsigned integer.

**babel-cost:** The link cost, as 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. This is a 16-bit unsigned integer.

### 3.6. Definition of babel-route-obj

```
object {
  ip-address    ro babel-route-prefix;
  uint         ro babel-route-prefix-length;
  binary       ro babel-route-router-id;
  reference     ro babel-route-neighbor;
  uint         ro babel-route-received-metric;
  uint         ro babel-route-calculated-metric;
  uint         ro babel-route-seqno;
  ip-address    ro babel-route-next-hop;
  boolean      ro babel-route-feasible;
  boolean      ro babel-route-selected;
} babel-route-obj;
```

`babel-route-prefix`: Prefix (expressed in IP address format) for which this route is advertised.

`babel-route-prefix-length`: Length of the prefix for which this route is advertised.

`babel-route-router-id`: The router-id of the router that originated this route.

`babel-route-neighbor`: Reference to the `babel-neighbors` entry for the neighbor that advertised this route.

`babel-route-received-metric`: The metric with which this route was advertised by the neighbor, or maximum value to indicate the route was recently retracted and is temporarily unreachable (see Section 3.5.5 of [RFC8966]). This metric will be NULL if the route was not received from a neighbor but was generated through other means. At least one of `babel-route-calculated-metric` and `babel-route-received-metric` MUST be non-NULL. Having both be non-NULL is expected for a route that is received and subsequently advertised. This is a 16-bit unsigned integer; if the data model uses zero (0) to represent NULL values for unsigned integers, the data model MAY use a different data type that allows differentiation between zero (0) and NULL.

`babel-route-calculated-metric`: A calculated metric for this route.

How the metric is calculated is implementation-specific. Maximum value indicates the route was recently retracted and is temporarily unreachable (see Section 3.5.5 of [RFC8966]). At least one of `babel-route-calculated-metric` and `babel-route-received-metric` MUST be non-NULL. Having both be non-NULL is expected for a route that is received and subsequently advertised. This is a 16-bit unsigned integer; if the data model uses zero (0) to represent NULL values for unsigned integers, the data model MAY use a different data type that allows differentiation between zero (0) and NULL.

`babel-route-seqno`: The sequence number with which this route was advertised. This is a 16-bit unsigned integer.

`babel-route-next-hop`: The next-hop address of this route. This will be empty if this route has no next-hop address.

`babel-route-feasible`: A Boolean flag indicating whether this route is feasible, as defined in Section 3.5.1 of [RFC8966]).

`babel-route-selected`: A Boolean flag indicating whether this route is selected (i.e., whether it is currently being used for forwarding and is being advertised).

### 3.7. Definition of `babel-mac-key-set-obj`

```
object {  
  boolean          rw babel-mac-default-apply;  
  babel-mac-key-obj rw babel-mac-keys<0..*>;  
} babel-mac-key-set-obj;
```

`babel-mac-default-apply`: A Boolean flag indicating whether this object instance is applied to all new `babel-interface` instances, by default. If "true", this instance is applied to new `babel-interfaces` instances at the time they are created, by including it in the `babel-if-mac-key-sets` list. If "false", this instance is not applied to new `babel-interfaces` instances when they are created. An implementation MAY choose to expose this parameter as read-only ("ro").

`babel-mac-keys`: A set of `babel-mac-key-obj` objects.

### 3.8. Definition of `babel-mac-key-obj`

```
object {
    string      rw babel-mac-key-name;
    boolean     rw babel-mac-key-use-send;
    boolean     rw babel-mac-key-use-verify;
    binary      -- babel-mac-key-value;
    string      rw babel-mac-key-algorithm;
    [operation  babel-mac-key-test;]
} babel-mac-key-obj;
```

**babel-mac-key-name:** 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 MUST NOT be empty and can only be provided when this instance is created (i.e., it is not subsequently writable). The value MAY be auto-generated if not explicitly supplied when the instance is created.

**babel-mac-key-use-send:** 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. An implementation MAY choose to expose this parameter as read-only ("ro").

**babel-mac-key-use-verify:** 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 with the MAC in an incoming packet. An implementation MAY choose to expose this parameter as read-only ("ro").

**babel-mac-key-value:** 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 when read, 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 babel-mac-key-algorithm. If the algorithm is based on the HMAC construction [RFC2104], the length MUST be between 0 and an upper limit that is at least the size of the output length (where "HMAC-SHA256" output length is 32 octets as described in [RFC4868]). Longer lengths MAY be supported but are not necessary if the management system has the ability to generate a suitably random value (e.g., by randomly generating a value or by using a key derivation technique as recommended in [RFC8967] Security Considerations). If the algorithm is "BLAKE2s-128", the length MUST be between 0 and 32 bytes inclusive as specified by [RFC7693].

**babel-mac-key-algorithm** The name of the MAC algorithm used with this

key. The value MUST be the same as one of the enumerations listed in the babel-mac-algorithms parameter. An implementation MAY choose to expose this parameter as read-only ("ro").

**babel-mac-key-test:** 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 babel-mac-key-value and the babel-mac-key-algorithm. The output of this operation is a Boolean indication that the calculated MAC matched the input MAC (true) or the MACs did not match (false).

### 3.9. Definition of babel-dtls-cert-set-obj

```
object {
    boolean          rw babel-dtls-default-apply;
    babel-dtls-cert-obj  rw babel-dtls-certs<0..*>;
} babel-dtls-cert-set-obj;
```

**babel-dtls-default-apply:** A Boolean flag indicating whether this object instance is applied to all new babel-interface instances, by default. If "true", this instance is applied to new babel-interfaces instances at the time they are created, by including it in the babel-interface-dtls-certs list. If "false", this instance is not applied to new babel-interfaces instances when they are created. An implementation MAY choose to expose this parameter as read-only ("ro").

**babel-dtls-certs:** A set of babel-dtls-cert-obj objects. This contains both certificates for this implementation to present for authentication, and to accept from others. Certificates with a non-empty babel-cert-private-key can be presented by this implementation for authentication.

### 3.10. Definition of babel-dtls-cert-obj

```
object {
    string          rw babel-cert-name;
    string          rw babel-cert-value;
    string          rw babel-cert-type;
    binary          -- babel-cert-private-key;
} babel-dtls-cert-obj;
```

**babel-cert-name:** 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). The value MAY be auto-generated if not explicitly supplied when the instance is created.

**babel-cert-value:** The certificate in PEM format [RFC7468]. This value MUST be provided when this instance is created, and is not subsequently writable.

**babel-cert-type:** The name of the certificate type of this object instance. The value MUST be the same as one of the enumerations listed in the `babel-dtls-cert-types` parameter. This value can only be provided when this instance is created, and is not subsequently writable.

**babel-cert-private-key:** 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 when read, or through permissions, or other means. This value can only be provided when this instance is created, and is not subsequently writable.

#### 4. Extending the Information Model

Implementations MAY extend this information model with other parameters or objects. For example, an implementation MAY choose to expose Babel route filtering rules by adding a route filtering object with parameters appropriate to how route filtering is done in that implementation. The precise means used to extend the information model would be specific to the data model the implementation uses to expose this information.

#### 5. Security Considerations

This document defines a set of information model objects and parameters that may be exposed to be visible from other devices, and some of which may be configured. Securing access to and ensuring the integrity of this data is in scope of and the responsibility of any data model derived from this information model. Specifically, any YANG [RFC7950] data model is expected to define security exposure of the various parameters, and a [TR-181] data model will be secured by the mechanisms defined for the management protocol used to transport it.

Misconfiguration (whether unintentional or malicious) can prevent reachability or cause poor network performance (increased latency, jitter, etc.). Misconfiguration of security credentials can cause a denial of service condition for the Babel routing protocol. The information in this model discloses network topology, which can be used to mount subsequent attacks on traffic traversing the network.

This information model defines objects that can allow credentials (for this device, for trusted devices, and for trusted certificate authorities) to be added and deleted. Public keys may be exposed through this model. This model requires that private keys and MAC keys never be exposed. Certificates used by [RFC8968] implementations use separate parameters to model the public parts (including the public key) and the private key.

MAC keys are allowed to be as short as zero-length. This is useful for testing. Network operators are RECOMMENDED to follow current best practices for key length and generation of keys related to the MAC algorithm associated with the key. Short (and zero-length) keys are highly susceptible to brute force attacks and therefore SHOULD NOT be used. See the Security Considerations section of [RFC8967] for additional considerations related to MAC keys. The fifth paragraph of [RFC8967] Security Considerations makes some specific key value recommendations that should be noted. It says that if it is necessary to derive keys from a human-readable passphrase, "only the derived keys should be communicated to the routers" and "the original passphrase itself should be kept on the host used to perform the key generation" (which would be the management system in the case of a remote management protocol). It also recommends that keys "should have a length of 32 octets (both for HMAC-SHA256 and BLAKE2s), and be chosen randomly".

This information model uses key sets and certification sets to provide a means of grouping keys and certificates. This makes it easy to use a different set per interface, the same set for one or more interfaces, have a default set in case a new interface is instantiated and to change keys and certificates as needed.

## 6. IANA Considerations

This document has no IANA actions.

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## 1. Introduction

This document defines a data model for the Babel routing protocol [I-D.ietf-babel-rfc6126bis]. 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 2020-06-28 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 a 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* [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 [I-D.ietf-babel-rfc6126bis].

```
<CODE BEGINS> file "ietf-babel@2020-06-28.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";
}

organization
  "IETF Babel routing protocol Working Group";

contact
  "WG Web: http://tools.ietf.org/wg/babel/
  WG List: babel@ietf.org

  Editor: Mahesh Jethanandani
         mjethanandani@gmail.com
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         bs7652@att.com";

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

  The key words 'MUST', 'MUST NOT', 'REQUIRED', 'SHALL', 'SHALL
  NOT', 'SHOULD', 'SHOULD NOT', 'RECOMMENDED', 'NOT RECOMMENDED',
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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 2020-06-28 {
  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.";
  }

  feature dtls-supported {
    description
      "This implementation supports DTLS based security.";
  }

  feature hmac-sha256-supported {
    description
      "This implementation supports hmac-sha256 MAC algorithm.";
  }

  feature blake2s-supported {
    description
      "This implementation supports blake2 MAC algorithm.";
  }

  feature x-509-supported {
    description
      "This implementation supports x-509 certificate type.";
  }

  feature raw-public-key-supported {
    description
      "This implementation supports raw-public-key certificate type.";
  }
}
```

```
/*
 * 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.";
}

identity etx {
  if-feature etx-supported;
  base "metric-comp-algorithms";
  description
    "Expected Transmission Count.";
}

/*
 * 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 algorithm 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.";

}

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/name";
    }
    description
        "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 MAC hashes 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 hash.";
    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.";
}

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.";
}

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
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        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 "name";

  description
    "A mac 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.";
  }

  leaf default-apply {
    type boolean;
    description
      "A Boolean flag indicating whether this mac
      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 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-sign {
    type boolean;
    mandatory true;
    description
      "Indicates whether this key value is used to sign sent
       Babel packets. Sent packets are signed using this key
       if the value is 'true'. If the value is 'false', this
       key is not used to sign 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 'BLAKE2s', 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 hash
    algorithm to be tested to see if they produce an
    expected outcome. Input to this operation is a
    binary string. The implementation is expected to
    create a hash of this string using the value and
    the algorithm. The output of this operation is
    the resulting hash, as a binary string.";
  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 hash of this string using the value and
        the algorithm.";
      reference
        "RFC ZZZZ: Babel Information Model, Section 3.8.";
    }
  }
  output {
```

```
        leaf resulting-hash {
            type binary;
            mandatory true;
            description
                "The output of this operation is
                 the resulting hash, as a binary string.";
            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 dtls
             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 DTLS 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 DTLS 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.";
}

action test {
  input {
    leaf test-string {
      type binary;
      mandatory true;
      description
        "The test string on which this test has to be
        performed.";
    }
  }
  output {
    leaf resulting-hash {
      type binary;
      mandatory true;
      description
        "The output of this operation is a binary string,
        and is the resulting hash computed using the
        certificate public key, and the SHA-256
        hash algorithm.";
    }
  }
}

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.

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>
            <name>hmac-sha256</name>
            <keys>
              <name>hmac-sha256-keys</name>
              <use-sign>true</use-sign>
              <use-verify>true</use-verify>
              <value>base64encodedvalue==</value>
              <algorithm>hmac-sha256</algorithm>
            </keys>
          </mac>
        </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>
</config>

```

```

</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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## 1. Introduction

This document defines a data model for The Babel Routing Protocol [RFC8966]. The data model is defined using YANG 1.1 [RFC7950] and is Network Management Datastore Architecture (NDMA) [RFC8342] compatible. It is based on the Babel Information Model [RFC9046]. The data model only includes data nodes that are useful for managing Babel over IPv6.

### 1.1. Note to RFC Editor

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## 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 [RFC9046].

### 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 the version implemented by this device, the model contains subtrees on 'constants', 'interfaces', 'mac-key-set', 'dtls', and 'routes'.

```
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 statistics-enabled? boolean
    +--rw constants
    |   ...
    +--rw interfaces* [reference]
    |   ...
    +--rw mac-key-set* [name]
    |   ...
    +--rw dtls* [name]
    |   ...
    +--ro routes* [prefix]
    |   ...
    ...
```

The 'interfaces' subtree describes attributes such as the 'interface' object that is being referenced, the type of link, e.g., wired, wireless or tunnel, 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 subtrees are defined to contain MAC keys and DTLS certificates. The 'mac-key-set' 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 sometimes 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 'two-out-of-three' for 'metric-algorithm', and 'split-horizon' set to true. On the other hand, for a wireless interface it will assume 'etx' for '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 with IPsec [RFC4868], The Datagram Transport Layer Security (DTLS) Version 1.3 [I-D.ietf-tls-dtls13], The Blake2 Cryptographic Hash and Message Authentication Code (MAC) [RFC7693], Babel Information Model [RFC9046], The Babel Routing Protocol [RFC8966], YANG Data Types and Groupings for Cryptography [I-D.ietf-netconf-crypto-types], Network Configuration Access Control Model [RFC8341] and MAC Authentication for Babel [RFC8967].

```
<CODE BEGINS> file "ietf-babel@2021-09-20.yang"
module ietf-babel {
  yang-version 1.1;
  namespace "urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:yang:ietf-babel";
  prefix babel;

  import ietf-yang-types {
    prefix yang;
    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";
}
import ietf-crypto-types {
  prefix ct;
  reference
    "I-D.ietf-netconf-crypto-types: YANG Data Types and Groupings
    for Cryptographay.";
}
import ietf-netconf-acm {
  prefix nacm;
  reference
    "RFC 8341: Network Configuration Access Control Model";
}

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  "IETF Babel routing protocol Working Group";

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

  The key words 'MUST', 'MUST NOT', 'REQUIRED', 'SHALL', 'SHALL
  NOT', 'SHOULD', 'SHOULD NOT', 'RECOMMENDED', 'NOT RECOMMENDED',
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```
revision 2021-09-20 {
  description
    "Initial version.";
  reference
    "RFC XXXX: Babel YANG Data Model.";
}

/*
 * Features
 */

feature two-out-of-three-supported {
  description
    "This implementation supports the '2-out-of-3'
    computation algorithm.";
}

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

feature mac-supported {
  description
    "This implementation supports MAC-based security.";
  reference
    "RFC 8967: MAC authentication for Babel Routing
    Protocol.";
}
```

```
feature dtls-supported {
  description
    "This implementation supports DTLS based security.";
  reference
    "RFC 8968: Babel Routing Protocol over Datagram
    Transport Layer Security.";
}

feature hmac-sha256-supported {
  description
    "This implementation supports the HMAC-SHA256 MAC algorithm.";
  reference
    "RFC 8967: MAC authentication for Babel Routing
    Protocol.";
}

feature blake2s-supported {
  description
    "This implementation supports BLAKE2s MAC algorithms.";
  reference
    "RFC 8967: MAC authentication for Babel Routing
    Protocol.";
}

feature x-509-supported {
  description
    "This implementation supports the X.509 certificate type.";
  reference
    "RFC 8968: Babel Routing Protocol over Datagram
    Transport Layer Security.";
}

feature raw-public-key-supported {
  description
    "This implementation supports the Raw Public Key certificate
    type.";
  reference
    "RFC 8968: Babel Routing Protocol over Datagram
    Transport Layer Security.";
}

/*
 * Identities
 */

identity metric-comp-algorithms {
  description
    "Base identity from which all Babel metric computation
```

```
        algorithms MUST be derived.";
    }

    identity two-out-of-three {
        if-feature "two-out-of-three-supported";
        base metric-comp-algorithms;
        description
            "2-out-of-3 algorithm.";
        reference
            "RFC 8966: The Babel Routing Protocol, Section A.2.1.";
    }

    identity etx {
        if-feature "etx-supported";
        base metric-comp-algorithms;
        description
            "Expected Transmission Count (ETX) metric computation
            algorithm.";
        reference
            "RFC 8966: 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 certificate 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 9046: Babel Information Model, Section 3.6.";
}

leaf router-id {
  type binary {
    length 8;
  }
  description
    "router-id of the source router for which this route is
    advertised.";
  reference
    "RFC 9046: 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 9046: Babel Information Model, Section 3.6.";
}

leaf received-metric {
  type union {
    type enumeration {
      enum null {
        description
          "Route was not received from a neighbor.";
      }
    }
    type uint16;
  }
  description
    "The metric with which this route was advertised by the
    neighbor, or maximum value (infinity) to indicate the
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route was recently retracted and is temporarily
unreachable. This metric will be NULL if the
route was not received from a neighbor but instead was
injected through means external to the Babel routing
protocol. At least one of calculated-metric or
received-metric MUST be non-NULL.";
reference
  "RFC 9046: Babel Information Model, Section 3.6,
  RFC 8966: The Babel Routing Protocol, Section 2.1.";
}

leaf calculated-metric {
  type union {
    type enumeration {
      enum null {
        description
          "Route has not been calculated.";
      }
    }
    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 9046: Babel Information Model, Section 3.6,
    RFC 8966: The Babel Routing Protocol, Section 2.1.";
}

leaf seqno {
  type uint16;
  description
    "The sequence number with which this route was
    advertised.";
  reference
    "RFC 9046: Babel Information Model, Section 3.6.";
}

leaf next-hop {
  type union {
    type enumeration {
      enum null {
        description
          "Route has no next-hop address.";
      }
    }
  }
}
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    }
    type inet:ip-address;
  }
  description
    "The next-hop address of this route. This will be NULL
    if this route has no next-hop address.";
  reference
    "RFC 9046: Babel Information Model, Section 3.6.";
}

leaf feasible {
  type boolean;
  description
    "A boolean flag indicating whether this route is
    feasible.";
  reference
    "RFC 9046: Babel Information Model, Section 3.6,
    RFC 8966, 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 9046: Babel Information Model, Section 3.6.";
}
description
  "A set of babel-route-obj objects. Contains routes known to
  this node.";
reference
  "RFC 9046: 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
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        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 9046: 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 9046: 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 9046: Babel Information Model, Section 3.1.";
        }

        leaf router-id {
            type binary;
            must '../enable = "true"';
            config false;
            description
                "Every Babel speaker is assigned a router-id, which is an
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arbitrary string of 8 octets that is assumed to be unique across the routing domain.

The router-id is valid only if the protocol is enabled, at which time a non-zero value is assigned.";

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reference
  "RFC 9046: Babel Information Model, Section 3.1,
   RFC 8966: 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 9046: Babel Information Model, Section 3.1.";
}

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

container constants {
  description
    "Babel Constants object.";
  reference
    "RFC 9046: 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 9046: Babel Information Model, Section 3.2.";
  }

  leaf mcast-group {
    type inet:ip-address;
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    default "ff02::1:6";
    description
      "Multicast group for sending and receiving multicast
       announcements on IPv6.";
    reference
      "RFC 9046: Babel Information Model, Section 3.2.";
  }
}

list interfaces {
  key "reference";

  description
    "A set of Babel Interface objects.";
  reference
    "RFC 9046: 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 9046: 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 9046: 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 9046: Babel Information Model, Section 3.3.";
  }
}
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    }

    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 the split horizon optimization
         is used.";
      reference
        "RFC 9046: Babel Information Model, Section 3.3.";
    }

    leaf mcast-hello-seqno {
      type uint16;
      config false;
      description
        "The current sequence number in use for multicast hellos
         sent on this interface.";
      reference
        "RFC 9046: 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 9046: 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 9046: Babel Information Model, Section 3.3.";
    }

    leaf mac-enable {
      type boolean;
      description
        "Indicates whether the MAC security mechanism is enabled
         (true) or disabled (false).";
    }
  }
}
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    reference
      "RFC 9046: Babel Information Model, Section 3.3.";
  }

  leaf-list mac-key-sets {
    type leafref {
      path "../..//mac-key-set/name";
    }
    description
      "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 9046: 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 9046: 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 9046: 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 9046: Babel Information Model, Section 3.3.";
  }
}
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    }

    leaf dtls-cached-info {
      type boolean;
      description
        "Indicates whether the cached_info extension is enabled.
         The extension is enabled for inclusion in ClientHello
         and ServerHello messages if the value is 'true'.";
      reference
        "RFC 9046: Babel Information Model, Section 3.3.
         RFC 8968: 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 the 'type' attribute
         in the list 'certs' of the list 'dtls'
         (../dtls/certs/type). This list is used to populate
         the server_certificate_type extension in a ClientHello.
         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
         ClientHello.";
      reference
        "RFC 9046: Babel Information Model, Section 3.3
         RFC 8968: 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 9046: Babel Information Model, Section 3.3.";
    }

    leaf packet-log {
      type inet:uri;
    }
  }
}
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    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 9046: Babel Information Model, Section 3.3.";
  }

  container statistics {
    config false;
    description
      "Statistics collection object for this interface.";
    reference
      "RFC 9046: Babel Information Model, Section 3.3.";

    leaf discontinuity-time {
      type yang:date-and-time;
      mandatory true;
      description
        "The time on the most recent occasion at which any one
         or more of counters suffered a discontinuity. If no
         such discontinuities have occurred since the last
         re-initialization of the local management subsystem,
         then this node contains the time the local management
         subsystem re-initialized itself.";
    }

    leaf sent-mcast-hello {
      type yang:counter32;
      description
        "A count of the number of multicast Hello packets sent
         on this interface.";
      reference
        "RFC 9046: Babel Information Model, Section 3.4.";
    }

    leaf sent-mcast-update {
      type yang:counter32;
      description
        "A count of the number of multicast update packets sent
         on this interface.";
      reference
        "RFC 9046: Babel Information Model, Section 3.4.";
    }
  }
}
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leaf sent-ucast-hello {
  type yang:counter32;
  description
    "A count of the number of unicast Hello packets sent
    on this interface.";
  reference
    "RFC 9046: Babel Information Model, Section 3.6.";
}

leaf sent-ucast-update {
  type yang:counter32;
  description
    "A count of the number of unicast update packets sent
    on this interface.";
  reference
    "RFC 9046: Babel Information Model, Section 3.6.";
}

leaf sent-ihu {
  type yang:counter32;
  description
    "A count of the number of IHU packets sent on this
    interface.";
  reference
    "RFC 9046: Babel Information Model, Section 3.6.";
}

leaf received-packets {
  type yang:counter32;
  description
    "A count of the number of Babel packets received on
    this interface.";
  reference
    "RFC 9046: Babel Information Model, Section 3.4.";
}

action reset {
  description
    "The information model [RFC 9046] 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 statistics 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
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        for every instance of the interface.";

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

    output {
        leaf reset-finished-at {
            type yang: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 9046: 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 9046: 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 of
            utf-8 encoded hex digits. A bit that is set indicates
            that the corresponding Hello was received, and a bit
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        that is cleared indicates that the corresponding Hello
        was not received.";
    reference
        "RFC 9046: 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 9046: 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 9046: Babel Information Model, Section 3.5.";
}

leaf exp-mcast-hello-seqno {
    type union {
        type enumeration {
            enum null {
                description
                    "Multicast Hello packets are not expected, or
                    processing of multicast packets is not
                    enabled.";
            }
        }
        type uint16;
    }
    description
        "Expected multicast Hello sequence number of next Hello
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        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 9046: Babel Information Model, Section 3.5.";
}

leaf exp-ucast-hello-seqno {
    type union {
        type enumeration {
            enum null {
                description
                    "Unicast Hello packets are not expected, or
                    processing of unicast packets is not enabled.";
            }
        }
        type uint16;
    }
    default null;
    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 9046: Babel Information Model, Section 3.5.";
}

leaf ucast-hello-seqno {
    type union {
        type enumeration {
            enum null {
                description
                    "Unicast Hello packets are not being sent.";
            }
        }
        type uint16;
    }
    default null;
    description
        "The current sequence number in use for unicast Hellos
        sent to this neighbor. If unicast Hellos are not being
        sent, this MUST be NULL.";
    reference
        "RFC 9046: Babel Information Model, Section 3.5.";
}

leaf ucast-hello-interval {
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    type uint16;
    units "centiseconds";
    description
      "The current interval in use for unicast hellos sent to
      this neighbor. Units are centiseconds.";
    reference
      "RFC 9046: Babel Information Model, Section 3.5.";
  }

  leaf rxcost {
    type uint16;
    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 9046: 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 9046: 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 9046: 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  
            the interface. If 'false', this instance is not applied  
            to new interface instances when they are created.";  
        reference  
            "RFC 9046: Babel Information Model, Section 3.7.";  
    }  
  
    list keys {  
        key "name";  
        min-elements 1;  
        description  
            "A set of keys objects.";  
        reference  
            "RFC 9046: Babel Information Model, Section 3.8.";  
  
        leaf name {  
            type string;  
            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 9046: 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 9046: Babel Information Model, Section 3.8.";  
        }  
    }  
}
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    }  
  
    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 9046: Babel Information Model, Section 3.8.";  
    }  
  
    leaf value {  
        nacm:default-deny-all;  
        type binary;  
        mandatory true;  
        description  
            "The value of the MAC key.  
  
            This value is of a length suitable for the associated  
            babel-mac-key-algorithm. If the algorithm is based on  
            the HMAC construction [RFC2104], the length MUST be  
            between 0 and an upper limit that is at least the size  
            of the output length (where 'HMAC-SHA256' output  
            length is 32 octets as described in [RFC4868]). Longer  
            lengths MAY be supported but are not necessary if the  
            management system has the ability to generate a  
            suitably random value (e.g., by randomly generating a  
            value or by using a key derivation technique as  
            recommended in [RFC8967] Security Considerations). If  
            the algorithm is 'BLAKE2s-128', the length MUST be  
            between 0 and 32 bytes inclusive as specified by  
            [RFC7693].";  
        reference  
            "RFC 9046: 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).  
            RFC 8967: MAC Authentication for Babel.";  
    }  
  
    leaf algorithm {
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type identityref {
  base mac-algorithms;
}
mandatory true;
description
  "The MAC algorithm used with this key. The
  value MUST be one of the identities
  listed with the base of 'mac-algorithms'.";
reference
  "RFC 9046: 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 9046: 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 9046: 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
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        this key object and compare its calculated MAC to
        this input MAC.";
    reference
        "RFC 9046: 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 9046: 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 9046: 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
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        in the dtls-certs list under the interface. If 'false',
        this instance is not applied to new interface
        instances when they are created.";
    reference
        "RFC 9046: 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 9046: 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 9046: Babel Information Model, Section 3.10.";
    }

    leaf value {
        nacm:default-deny-write;
        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 9046: Babel Information Model, Section 3.10.";
    }

    leaf type {
        nacm:default-deny-write;
```



### 3. IANA Considerations

This document registers a URI and a YANG module.

#### 3.1. URI Registrations

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

#### 3.2. YANG Module Name Registration

This document registers a 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.

The security considerations outlined here are specific to the YANG data model, and do not cover security considerations of the Babel protocol or its security mechanisms in The Babel Routing Protocol [RFC8966], MAC Authentication for the Babel Routing Protocol [RFC8967], and Babel Routing Protocol over Data Transport Layer Security [RFC8968]. Each of these has its own Security Considerations section for considerations that are specific to it.

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. For example, enabling logging of packets and giving unintended access to the log files gives an attacker detailed knowledge of the network, and allows it to launch an attack on the traffic traversing the network device.

'babel/hmac' and 'babel/dtls': These contain security credentials that influence whether incoming packets are trusted, and whether outgoing packets are produced in a way such that the receiver will treat them as 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, including private credentials of the router; however it is required that these values not be readable.

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:

This model defines two actions. Resetting the statistics within an interface container would be visible to any monitoring processes, which should be designed to account for the possibility of such a reset. The "test" action allows for validation that a MAC key and MAC algorithm have been properly configured. The MAC key is a sensitive piece of information, and it is important to prevent an attacker that does not know the MAC key from being able to determine the MAC value by trying different input parameters. The "test"

action has been designed to not reveal such information directly. Such information might also be revealed indirectly, due to side channels such as the time it takes to produce a response to the action. Implementations SHOULD use a constant-time comparison between the input mac and the locally generated MAC value for comparison, in order to avoid such side channel leakage.

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## Appendix A. Tree Diagram and Example Configurations

This section is devoted to including a complete tree diagram and examples that demonstrate how Babel can be configured.

### A.1. Complete Tree Diagram

This section includes the complete tree diagram for the Babel YANG module.

```

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 statistics-enabled? boolean
+--rw constants
|   +--rw udp-port?       inet:port-number
|   +--rw mcast-group?    inet:ip-address
+--rw interfaces* [reference]
|   +--rw reference       if:interface-ref
|   +--rw enable?         boolean
|   +--rw metric-algorithm identityref
|   +--rw split-horizon?  boolean
|   +--ro mcast-hello-seqno? uint16
|   +--rw mcast-hello-interval? uint16
|   +--rw update-interval? uint16
|   +--rw mac-enable?     boolean
|   +--rw mac-key-sets*   -> ../../mac-key-set/name
|   +--rw mac-verify?     boolean
|   +--rw dtls-enable?    boolean
|   +--rw dtls-certs*     -> ../../dtls/name
|   +--rw dtls-cached-info? boolean
|   +--rw dtls-cert-prefer* -> ../../dtls/certs/type
|   +--rw packet-log-enable? boolean
|   +--ro packet-log?     inet:uri
|   +--ro statistics
|   |   +--ro discontinuity-time yang:date-and-time
|   |   +--ro sent-mcast-hello?  yang:counter32
|   |   +--ro sent-mcast-update? yang:counter32
|   |   +--ro sent-ucast-hello?  yang:counter32
|   |   +--ro sent-ucast-update? yang:counter32
|   |   +--ro sent-ihu?          yang:counter32
|   |   +--ro received-packets?  yang:counter32
|   |   +---x reset
|   |   |   +---w input
|   |   |   |   +---w reset-at? yang:date-and-time
|   |   |   +--ro output
|   |   |   |   +--ro reset-finished-at? yang:date-and-time
|   +--ro neighbor-objects* [neighbor-address]
|   |   +--ro neighbor-address    inet:ip-address
|   |   +--ro hello-mcast-history? string
|   |   +--ro hello-ucast-history? string
|   |   +--ro txcost?             int32
|   |   +--ro exp-mcast-hello-seqno? union
|   |   +--ro exp-ucast-hello-seqno? union
|   |   +--ro ucast-hello-seqno?  union
|   |   +--ro ucast-hello-interval? uint16
|   |   +--ro rxcost?             uint16
|   |   +--ro cost?              int32
+--rw mac-key-set* [name]

```

```

+--rw name                string
+--rw default-apply?     boolean
+--rw keys* [name]
  +--rw name              string
  +--rw use-send          boolean
  +--rw use-verify        boolean
  +--rw value              binary
  +--rw algorithm          identityref
  +---x test
    +---w input
      +---w test-string    binary
      +---w mac             binary
    +--ro output
      +--ro indication     boolean
+--rw dtls* [name]
  +--rw name              string
  +--rw default-apply     boolean
  +--rw certs* [name]
    +--rw name            string
    +--rw value            string
    +--rw type             identityref
    +--rw private-key      binary
    +--rw algorithm        identityref
+--ro routes* [prefix]
  +--ro prefix            inet:ip-prefix
  +--ro router-id?        binary
  +--ro neighbor?         leafref
  +--ro received-metric?  union
  +--ro calculated-metric? union
  +--ro seqno?            uint16
  +--ro next-hop?         union
  +--ro feasible?         boolean
  +--ro selected?         boolean

```

#### A.2. 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"?>
<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>
        <statistics-enabled>true</statistics-enabled>
        <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>
```

### A.3. 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"?>
<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>

```

#### A.4. 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"?>
<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>
<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>

```

#### A.5. 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"?>
<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>
```

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