

I2RS Protocol: Requirements + Ideas

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I2RS Requirements for Protocol WG LC

WG/LC in October

- [draft-ietf-i2rs-ephemeral-state-00](#)
- [draft-ietf-i2rs-pub-sub-requirements/](#)
- [draft-ietf-i2rs-traceability/](#)
- [draft-ietf-i2rs-protocol-security-requirements-01](#)

- Ephemeral State is missing minimum requirements for RESTCONF/NETCONF
- My presentation provides background to help NETCONF give I2RS feedback

I2RS Requirements for Protocol WG LC

WG/LC after IETF

- [draft-ietf-i2rs-security-environment-reqs-01](#)
- Ephemeral State with NETCONF/RESTCONF minimum requirements

Going to IESG with

- Architecture
- Problem statement
- I2RS RIB Information Model

Ephemeral State – 9 requirements

- 1. Ephemeral state is not unique to I2RS**
- 2. The ephemeral data store is a data store holds configuration that is intended to not survive a reboot.**
- 3. Ephemeral state can be in any data model – so importance of ephemeral is for conformance checking**
- 4. Ephemeral data store is never locked**
- 5. Ephemeral data store can occur in two ways:**
 - Yang module that contains both non-ephemeral and ephemeral
 - Yang module that only contains non-ephemeral
 - The yang modules may be protocol modules (BGP) or protocol independent modules (RIB, FB-RIB, Topology)
- 6. Ephemeral nodes may not have configuration nodes beneath**
- 7. Ephemeral state will be denoted by “ephemeral” in Yang protocol at node level, submodule, or module level**

Ephemeral State (4)

8. Caching – is out of scope for the first I2RS protocol release.
 - Long-term concern: latency of I2RS protocol
9. Ephemeral has two error handling extensions
 1. Ephemeral data store allows for reduced error handling that **MAY** remove the requirements for leafref checking, **MUST** clauses, and instance identifier (to allow more speed)
 2. Ephemeral data store allows for priority resolution of write operation
 - Priority error resolution means each I2RS client of the ephemeral I2RS agent (netconf server) **MUST BE** associated with a priority.
 - **Priority write resolution** occurs when a I2RS client with a higher priority writes a node which has been written by an I2RS client (with the lower priority).
 - When the I2RS agent (netconf server) allows a higher priority client to overwrite a lower priority client, the I2RS Agent **MAY** provide a notification indication to entities monitoring the node.

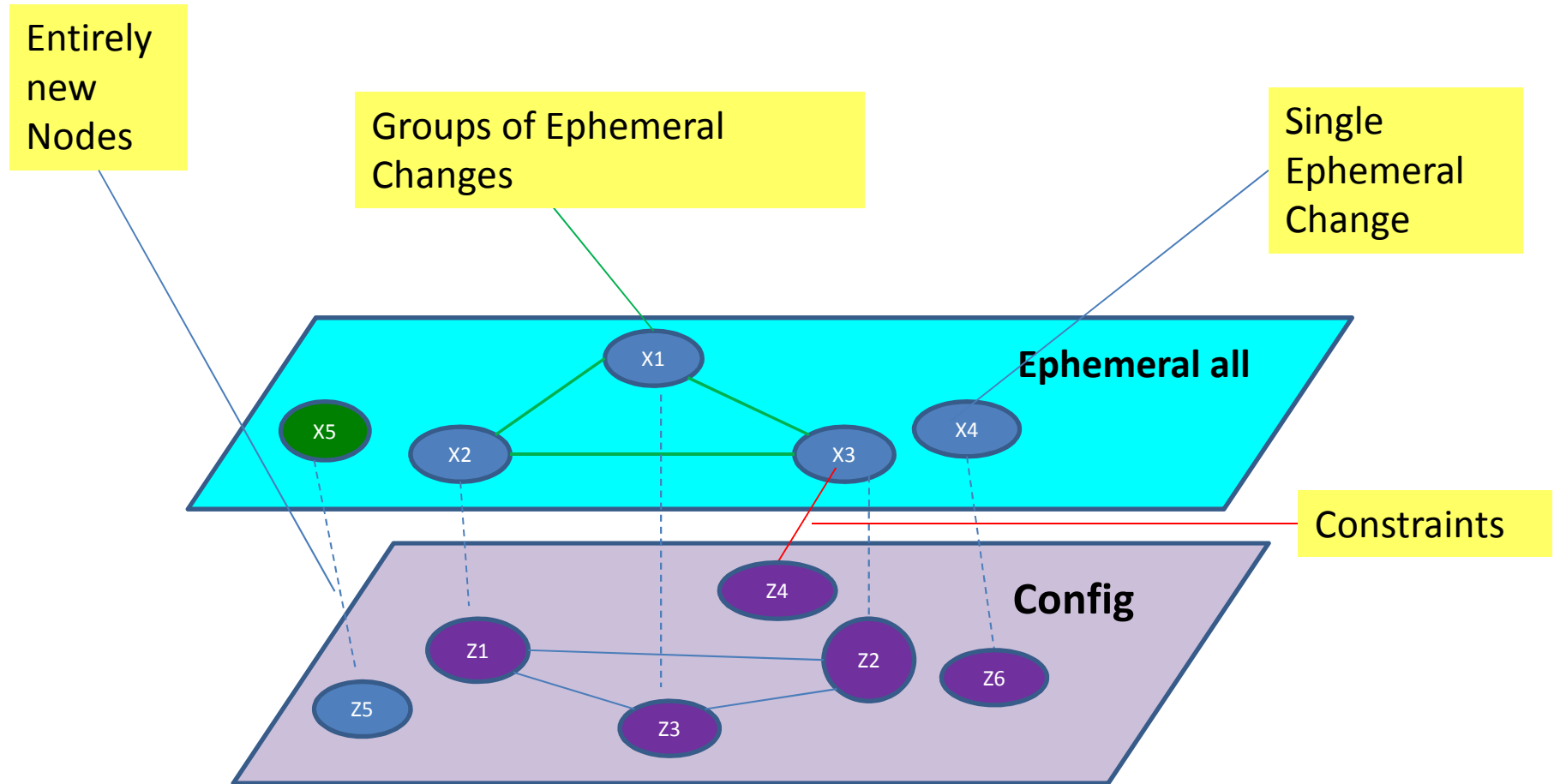
- **Agent MUST be able to send notification. Notification can be configured off.**

Or

- **Agent MUST SEND Notification**

Should MAY be MUST?

2 Panes of Glass Model aka (priority resolution)

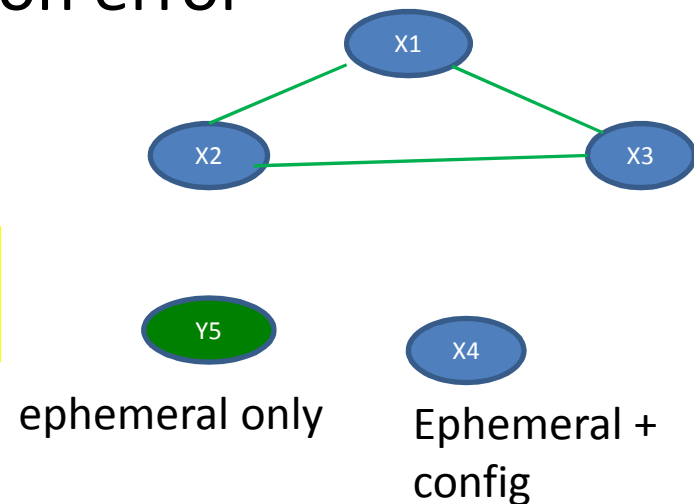


2 Panes of Glass – all or nothing

Types of error checking

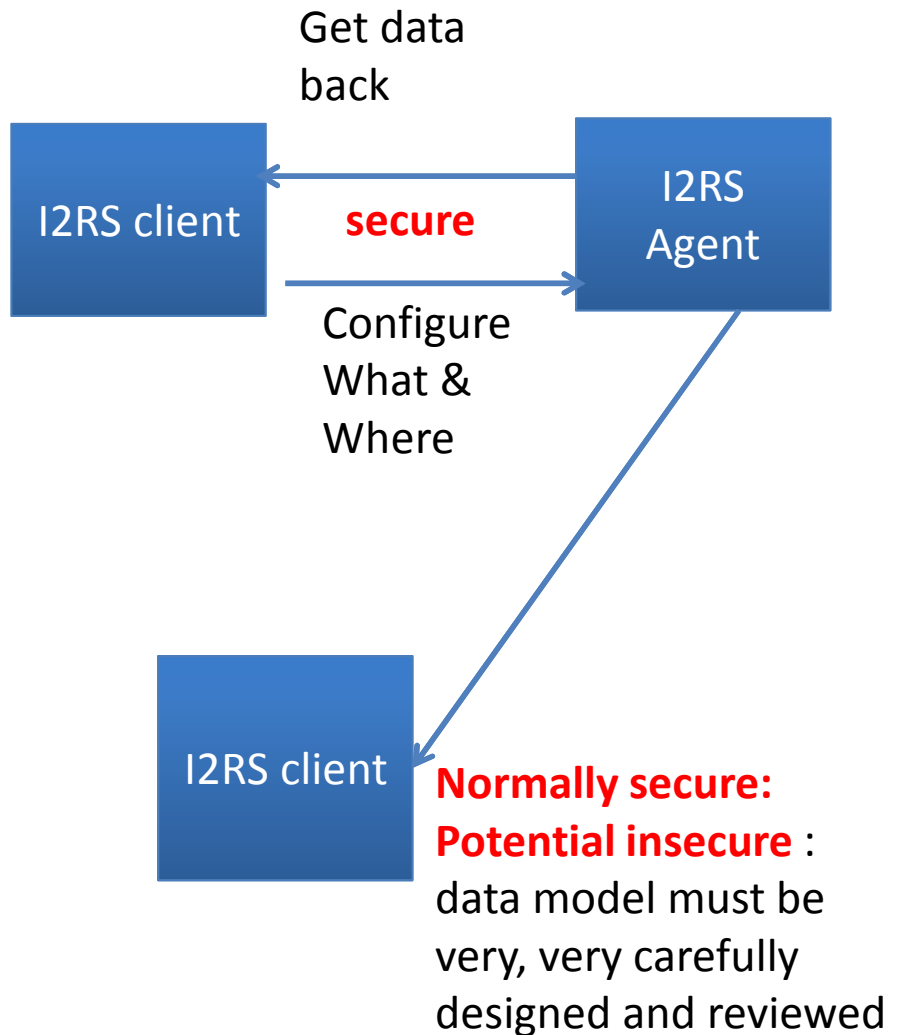
- Syntax - correct syntax for node
- Referential – leafref, MUST, instance identifier
- Grouping – group of nodes that should align
 - Stop on error / Continue on error
 - assume grouped nodes

- **“All or nothing” will be mandated for first pass of I2RS protocol**

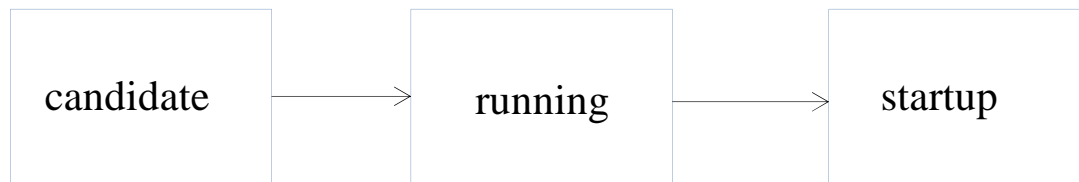


Other Requirements

- Mutual Authentication based on client identity
 - Client identity passed outside of I2RS (AAA or other)
- Secure transport for Config + other data unless carefully designed and reviewed in data model (see connection 2)
- Signaling model capabilities done with Yang library module



Protocol



config true;

intended config

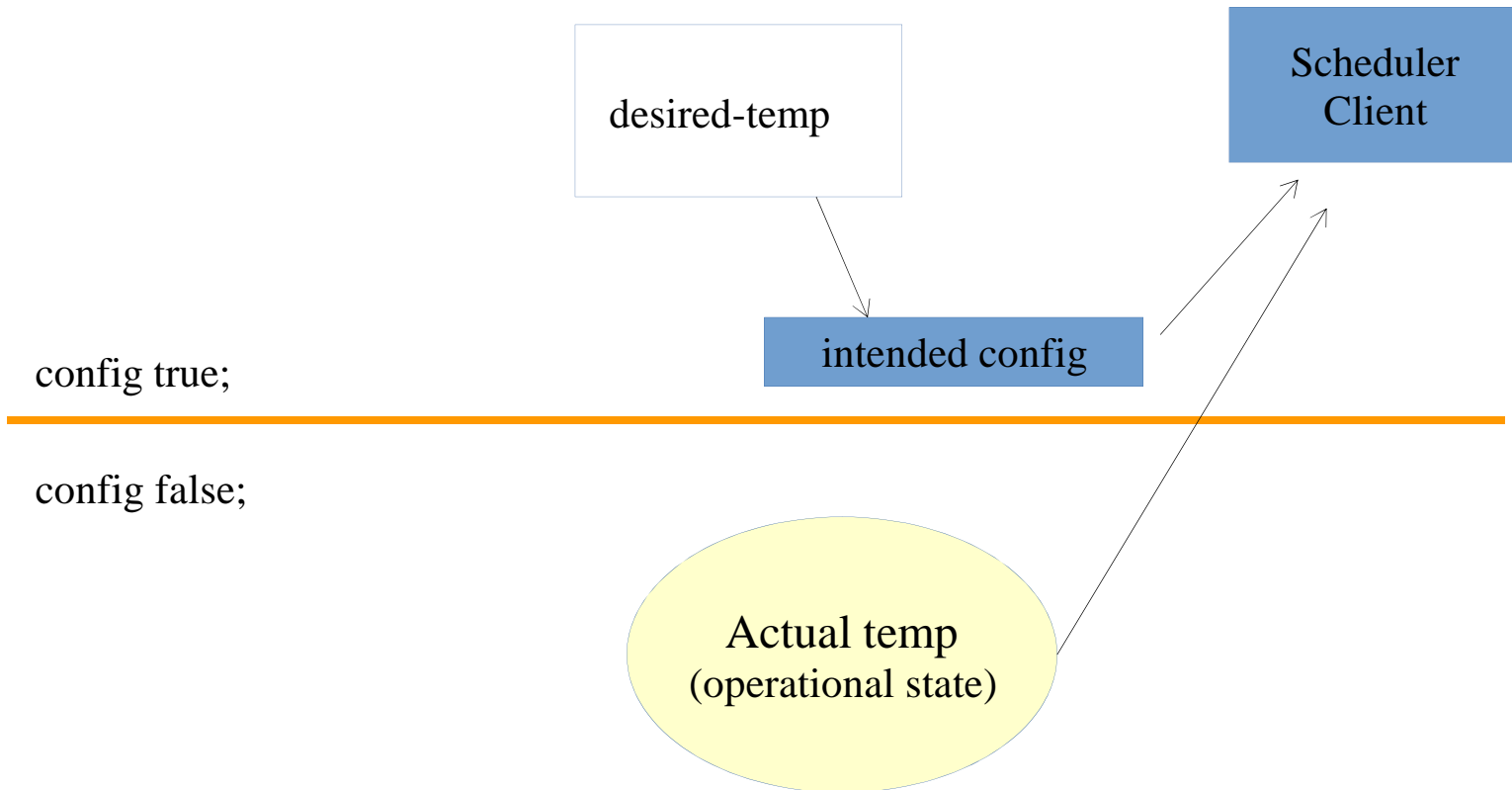
config false;

applied config

operational
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Conceptual intended and actual values are determined by the server as an implementation detail

Thermostat Model



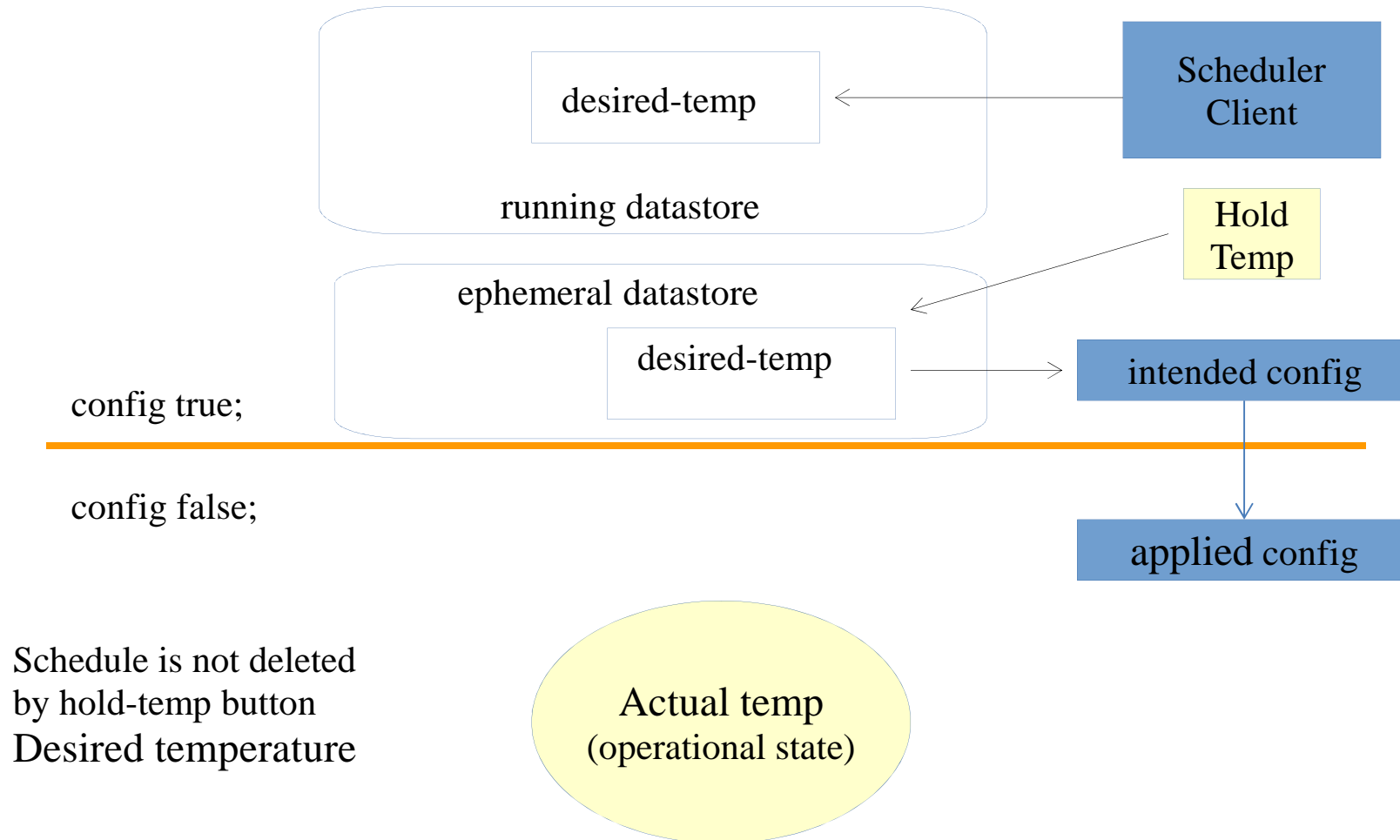
Simple Thermostat + ephemeral

```
module thermostat {  
    ...  
    leaf desired-temp {  
        type int32;  
        ephemeral true;  
        units "degrees Celsius";  
        description "The desired temperature";  
    }  
}
```

Operational State:

```
    leaf actual-temp {  
        type int32;  
        config false;  
        units "degrees Celsius";  
        description "The measured temperature";  
    }  
}
```

Thermostat Model + Hold Temp



RESTCONF Example

RESTCONF Running Datastore Edit

```
PUT /restconf/data/thermostat:desired-temp
```

```
{ "desired-temp": 18 }
```

RESTCONF Ephemeral Datastore Edit of config=true

```
PUT /restconf/data/thermostat:desired-temp?datastore=ephemeral
```

```
{ "desired-temp": 18 }
```