

Cooperating Layered Architecture for SDN (CLAS)

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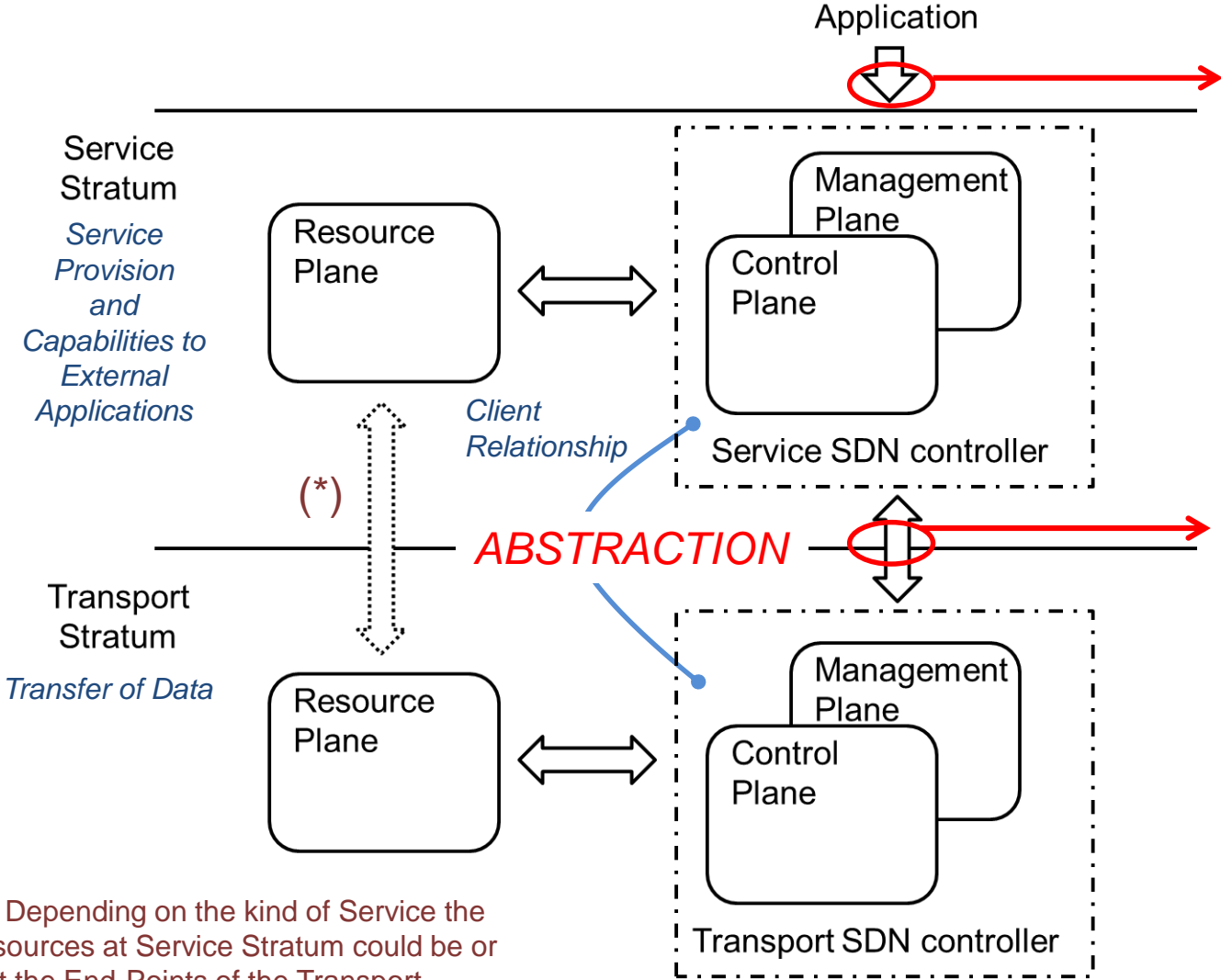
History

- History (draft-contreras-sdnrg-layered-sdn)
 - -00 presented in Toronto (90th IETF)
 - -02 presented in Dallas (92nd IETF)
 - -04 presented in Yokohama (94th IETF)
- Multiple feedback and support collected at the mailing list
- Adopted as RG document after Yokohama
<https://datatracker.ietf.org/doc/draft-irtf-sdnrg-layered-sdn/>

Cooperating Layered Architecture for SDN

- Key concept: separation of the control functions associated to services from those associated to transport
 - Service control becomes independent from transport control
- Functional Strata
 - Service stratum: functions related to the provision of services (including capabilities exposed to external applications)
 - Transport stratum: functions related to the transfer of data between communication end-points
- Plane separation
 - Control plane: control of resources in each strata
 - Management plane: management of resources and control plane in each strata
 - Resource plane: resources required for a given service (can be or not the termination points of a transport function)
- Despite differentiation, tight cooperation is needed for an efficient service provision

Cooperating Layered Architecture



- Means to capture service requirements of services
- Means to expose transport capabilities to external services
- Means to notify service intelligence with underlying transport events
- Means to instruct the underlying transport capabilities to accommodate new requirements

(*) Depending on the kind of Service the resources at Service Stratum could be or not the End-Points of the Transport Resources

Next steps / Comments received (I)

- Gabriel López
 - Editorial comments and some clarifications requested: addressed in -01
- Gert Grammel
 - Consider also related work done in draft-ietf-ccamp-interconnected-te-info-exchange: to be addressed in -01

Next steps / Comments received (II)

- Gino Carrozzo
 - Address specific challenges for implementing different control actions/scope between Transport & Service layer: to be addressed in -01
 - Address relationships with other WG/RG, in particular ACTN for Transport stratum: to be addressed in -01
 - Explore options for using the same architecture pattern recursively across the various layers: to be addressed in -01

Next steps / Comments received (III)

- Ramon Casellas
 - Develop the multi-domain aspects, with multiple 1:1, 1:N, N:1 and N:M relationships between service stratum and transport stratum: to be addressed in -01
 - Align with similar initiatives (ONF arch, ACTN within TEAS, etc.): it will be improved in -01

Next steps / Comments received (IV)

- Christian Esteve Rothenberg
 - Section 3.1.3 (on Recursiveness) should point (relate/compare) to related work at NFVRG (draft-unify-nfvrg-recursive-programming-02): to be addressed in -01
 - Use Case section should be completed in the next revision: it will be improved in -01
- Ali Haider
 - Improve motivation for the layer separation: to be addressed in -01

Next steps / Comments received (V)

- Bartosz Belter
 - Improve motivation: to be addressed in -01
 - Complete use cases section: to be improved in -01
 - Include strong links towards other WG/RGs: to be improved in -01
- Maria Rita PALATTELLA
 - Provide a motivation, and some potential use cases which show the need of a modular architecture: to be improved/addressed in -01

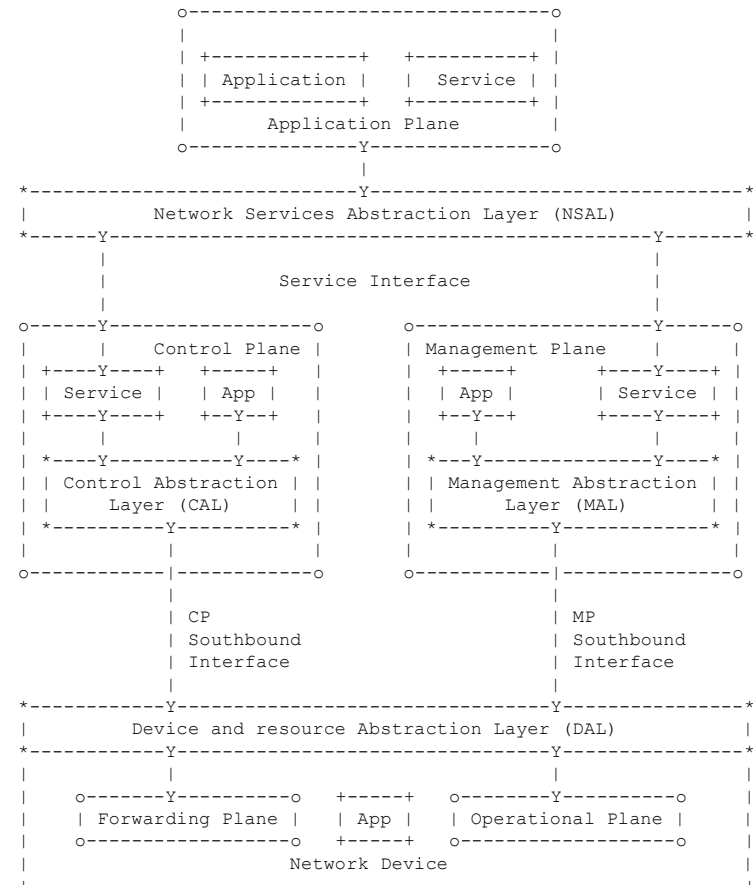
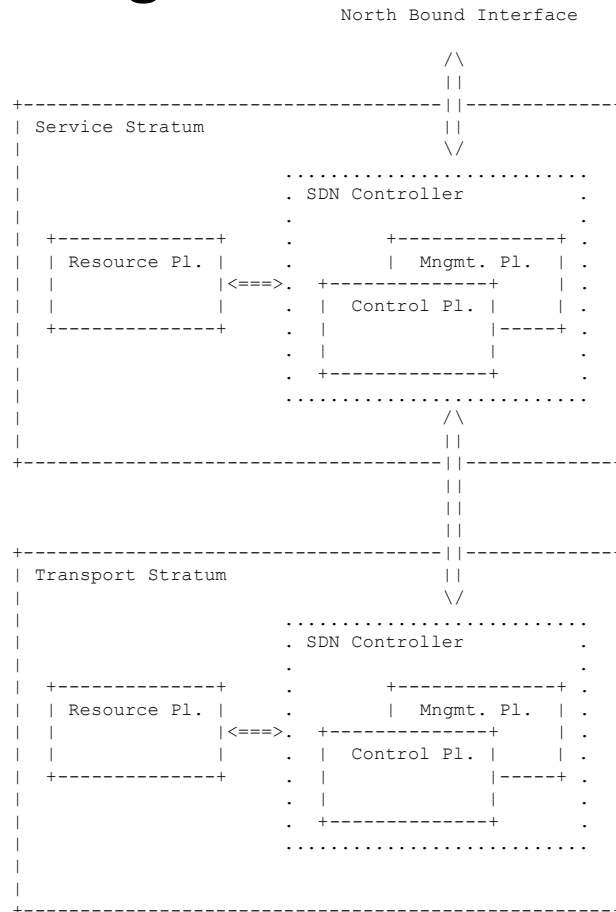
Next steps / Comments received (VI)

- Zheng Haomian
 - Improve sections 6 and 7 (deployment and use cases): to be improved in -01
- Jacek Wytrębowicz
 - Proposes splitting the architecture into three stratum: Service, Transport and Resource
 - Resource Stratum should contain Control and Management Planes as well: comments?
 - Better motivation and convincing use cases (with some working code as a proof of concept): to be improved in -01

Next steps / Comments received (VII)

- Evangelos Haleplidis

- Consider juxtaposing Fig.1 from the draft with Fig.1 from RFC7426: comments?

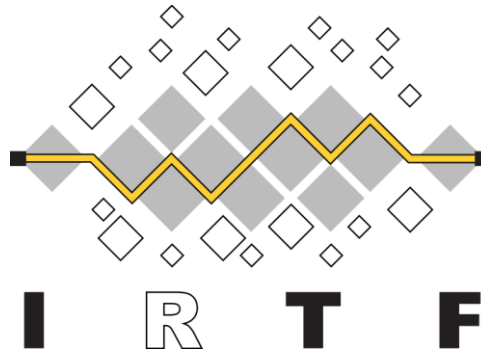


Next steps / Comments received (VIII)

- Evangelos Haleplidis (cont'd)
 - Showcase in Fig.1 that the communication is happening between respective planes in the strata while describing it in text: to be addressed in -01
 - Explicitly discuss the difference from the draft to ITU Y.2011: to be addressed in -01

Next steps / Requests to the WG

- Provide comments on the use cases
 - E.g., proposal for specific use cases to be considered
- Do you think we should split the architecture into three stratum: Service, Transport and Resource?
- Propose links towards other WG/RGs/SDOs not already included, that you think should be mentioned
- Additional reviews are always welcome!



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BACKUP SLIDES

Rationale

- Existing proposals for SDN centralize control capabilities with very different objectives and purposes
- No separation between services and transport control
 - No clear responsibility for service provision and delivery
 - Complicated reutilization of components for delivering different services
 - Monolithic control architectures, driving to lock-in
 - Difficult interoperability, then difficult interchange of some modules by others
 - No clear business boundaries
 - Complex service/network diagnosis and troubleshooting

Additional topics in-scope

- Multi-domain scenarios in Transport Stratum
 - Transport resources being part of different administrative, topological or technological domains
- Recursiveness
 - Transport Stratum is itself structured in Service and Transport Stratum
- Security and trust
 - Security in the communication between strata
- Event notification, OAM, diagnosis

Deployment Scenarios

- Full SDN environment
 - Multiple Service Strata associated to a single Transport Stratum
 - Single Service Stratum associated to a multiple Transport Strata
 - (And 1:1 and N:N cases, of course)
- Hybrid environments
 - SDN-based Service Stratum associated to a legacy Transport stratum
 - Legacy Service Stratum associated to a SDN-based Transport stratum

Potential use cases / scenarios – e.g., NFV (*)

