OpenDaylight as a Platform for Network Programmability

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Agenda

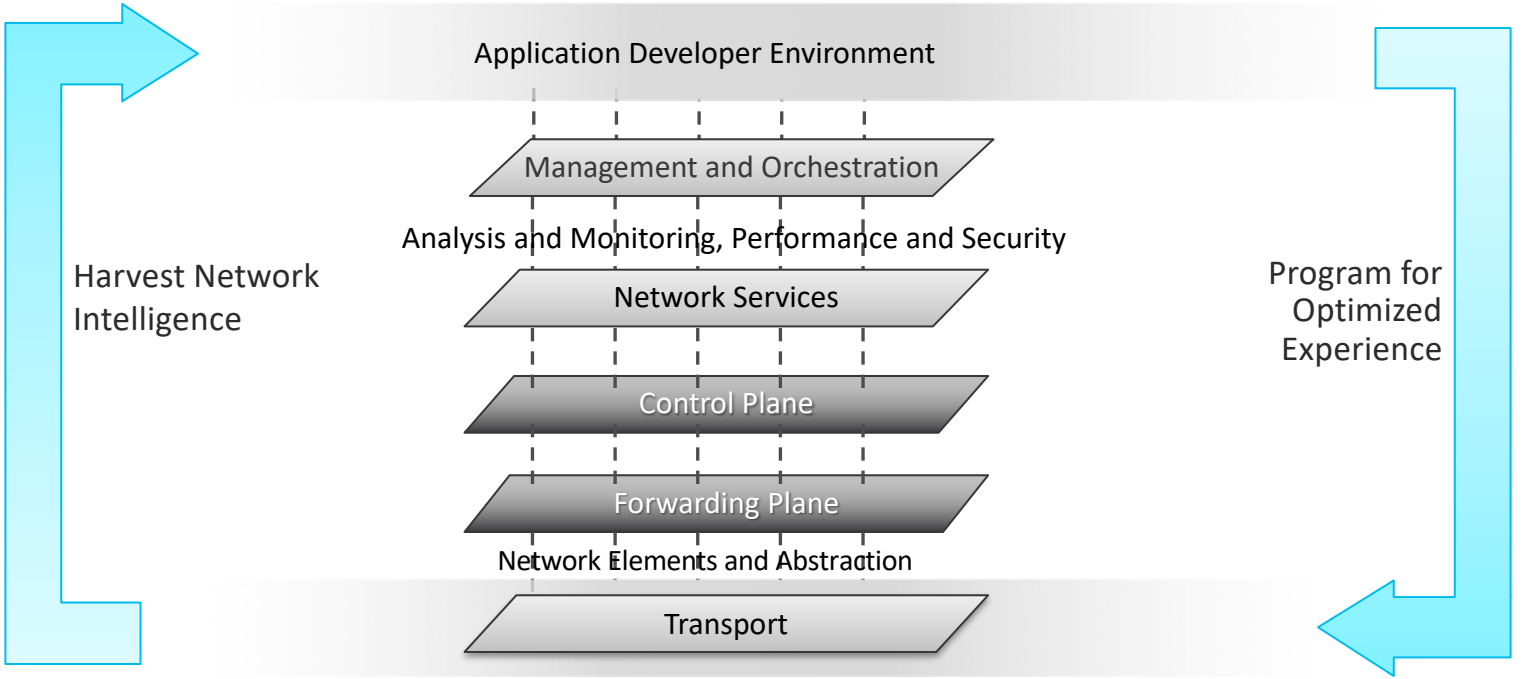
- What is SDN
- What is OpenDaylight
- Network programmability
- Installation
- Example use case (VPP)
- Conclusions

What is SDN

Software Defined Networking (SDN)

- Control & Data Planes separation?
  - OpenFlow?
  - Logically centralized control Plane?
  - White label switches?
- This a valid & useful SDN use case, but...
- SDN can be defined more broadly:
  - Network is a source of vast amount of data...
  - ..that can be utilized by variety of SDN applications
- True power of SDN is network programmability

SDN - A Broader Definition



Generic feedback/control/policy loop between apps and the network

What Do We Need from an SDN Controller?

- A platform for deploying SDN applications
- Provide an SDN application development environment
  - Developer-friendly APIs to network elements (REST/JSON, pub/sub, etc.)
  - Network-level abstraction through topologies
  - Protocol independence for network-facing applications

What is OpenDaylight

Graphical User Interface Application and Toolkit (DLUX / NeXT UI)

AAA AuthN Filter

OpenDaylight APIs REST/RESTCONF/NETCONF/AMQP

Northbound APIs to Orchestrators and Applications

Base Network Functions

- Host Tracker
- L2 Switch
- OpenFlow Forwarding Rules Mgr
- OpenFlow Stats Manager
- OpenFlow Switch Manager
- Topology Processing

Enhanced Network Services

- AAA
- Centinel – Streaming Data Hdlr
- Controller Shield
- Dev Discovery, ID & Drvr Mgmt
- DOCSIS Abstraction
- Link Aggregation Ctl Protocol
- LISP Service
- Messaging 4Transport
- NetIDE
- Neutron Northbound
- OVSDB Neutron
- SDN Integration Aggregator
- Service Function Chaining
- SNMP4SDN
- Time Series Data Repository
- Unified Secure Channel Mgr
- User Network Interface Mgr
- Virtual Private Network
- Virtual Tenant Network Mgr.

Network Abstractions

- ALTO Protocol Manager
- Fabric as a Service
- Group Based Policy Service
- NEMO
- Network Intent Composition

Controller Platform Services/Applications

Data Store (Config & Operational)

Service Abstraction Layer/Core

Messaging (Notifications / RPCs)

OpenFlow 1.0 1.3 TTP | OF-Config | OVSDB | NETCONF | LISP | BGP | PCEP | CAPWAP | OPFLEX | SXP | SNMP | USC | SNBI | IoT Http/CoAP | LACP | PCMM /COPS

Southbound Interfaces & Protocol Plugins

OpenFlow Enabled Devices

Open vSwitches

Additional Virtual & Physical Devices

Data Plane Elements (Virtual Switches, Physical Device Interfaces)

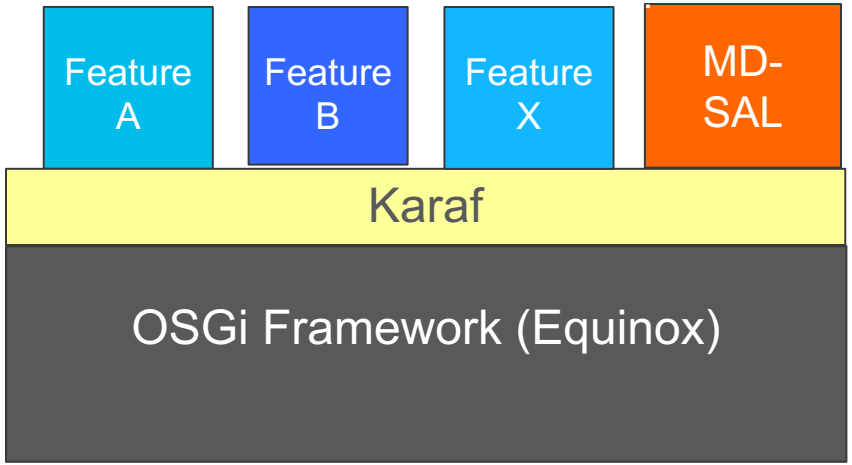
The OpenDaylight Community

- Founded in February 2013
- Run by the Linux Foundation
- Eclipse Public License
- 15 founding companies provided software and developers
- 600+ contributors
- 2.5M+ lines of code
- Mostly Java

- First release “Hydrogen”
  - February 2014
- Release frequency
  - Roughly every 6 months
- Current release - “Nitrogen”
  - 7th release, Sept 26, 2017
  - SR1 released Nov 26, 2017
- Next release is Oxygen
  - March 2018

Software Architecture

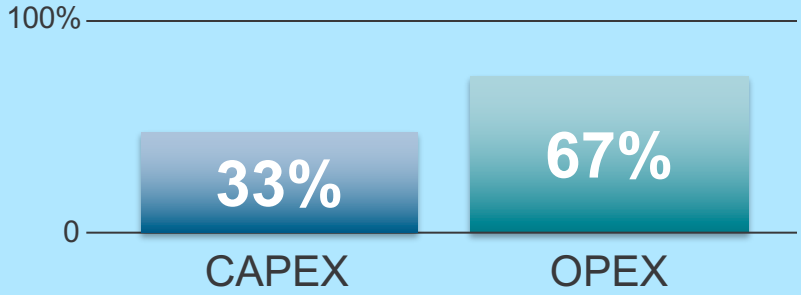
- Java - enterprise-grade, cross-platform compatible language
- Java Interfaces - for event listening, specifications and forming patterns
- Maven – build system
- Karaf – based on OSGi, provides:
  - dynamic loading of bundles
  - registering dependencies and services exported
  - exchanging information across bundles



Network programmability

Why Network Programmability Matters

Network Expenses



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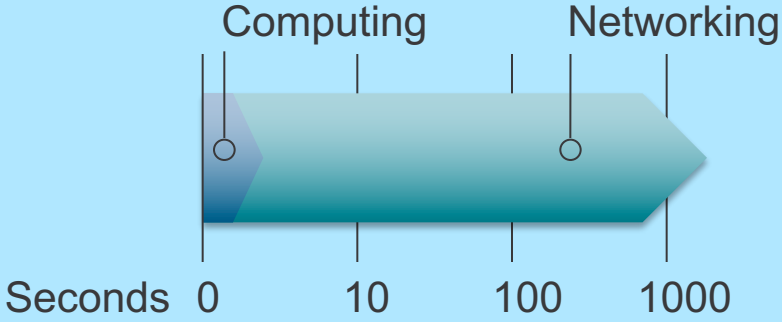
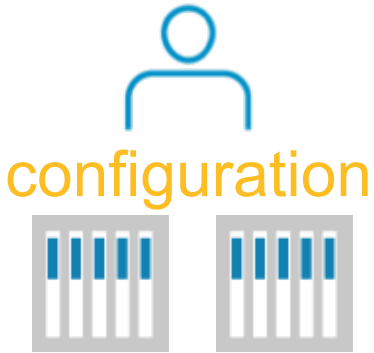


Source: Open Compute Project

The Need for Something Better

- **SNMP had failed**
  - For configuration, that is
  - Extensive use in fault handling and monitoring
- CLI scripting
  - “Market share” 70%+

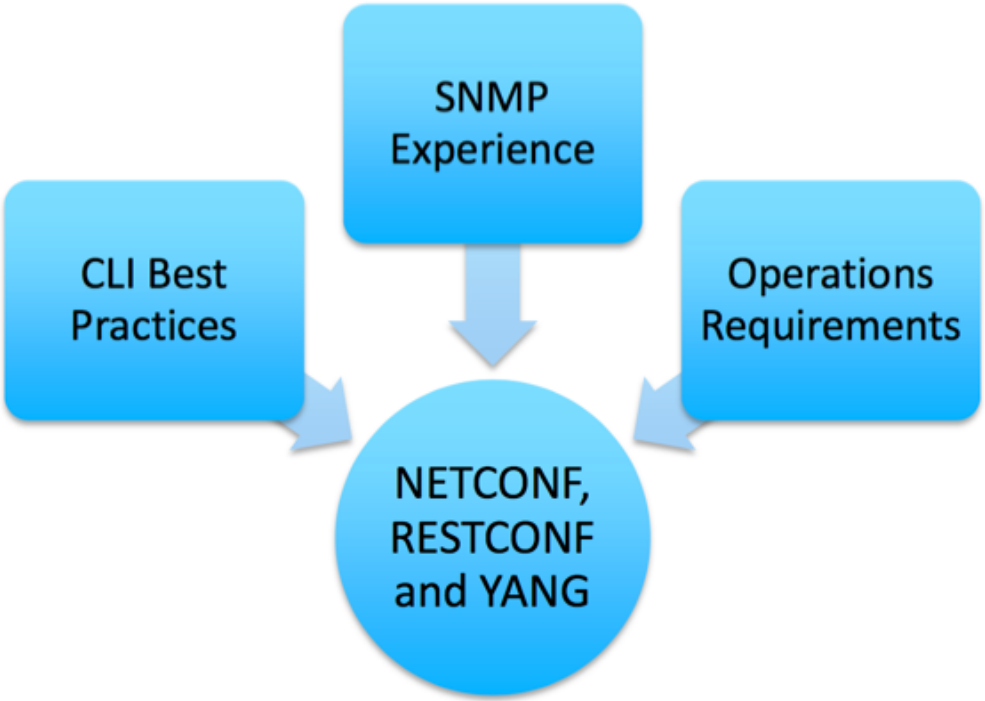


RFC 3535

Abstract

This document provides an overview of a workshop held by the Internet Architecture Board (IAB) on Network Management. The workshop was hosted by CNRI in Reston, VA, USA from June 4 thru June 6, 2002. The goal of the workshop was to continue the important **dialog** started between **network operators** and protocol developers, and to guide the IETFs focus on future work regarding network management.

Best Practices Coming Together



YANG

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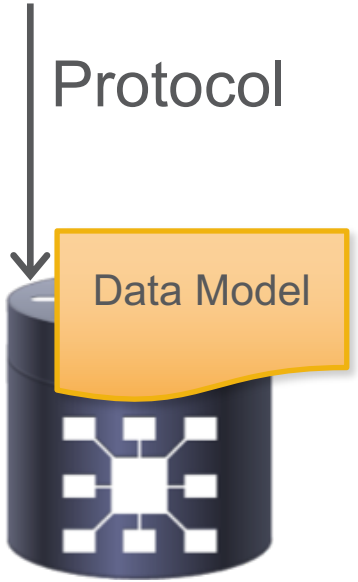
Data Modeling Language for Networking

- Modeling language, defined in RFC 6020
- Represents operational state, configuration, transactions, and notifications
- Defines semantics
  - Constraints (i.e. “MUSTs”)
  - Reusable structures
  - Built-in and derived types

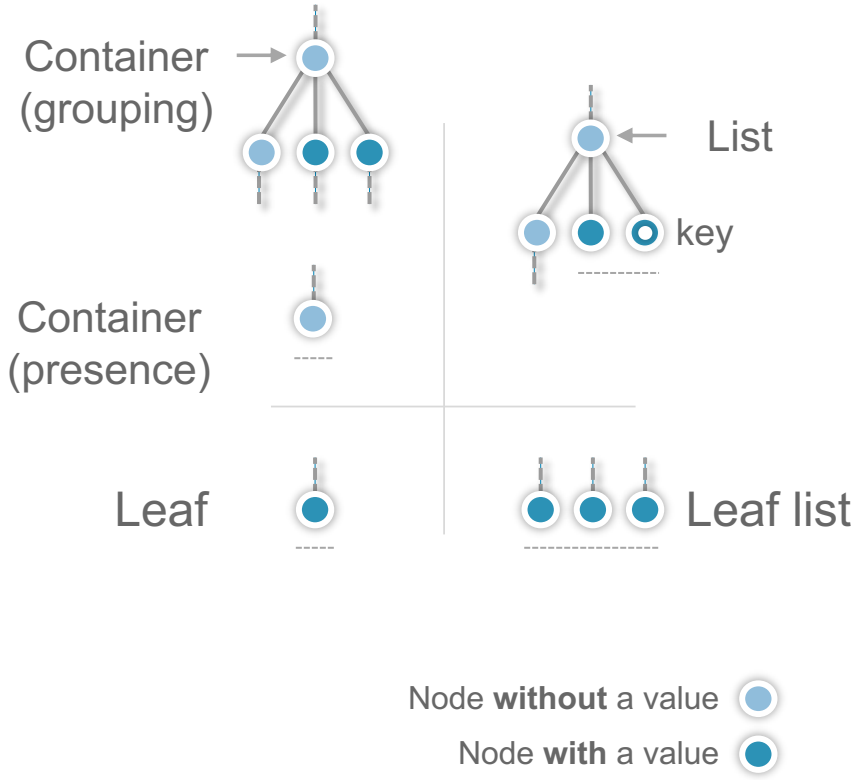


In Summary:

YANG is a full, formal contract language with rich syntax and semantics for network data

Model Structure

- Data structured as a tree
- Main node types:
  - Container
  - List
  - Leaf List
  - Leaf



YANG Model Example

- Screenshot from ietf-interfaces.yang
- Container 'interfaces' with list of 'interface' items
- List items (leafs) have a 'name' which is also the key for the list

```
/*
 * Configuration data nodes
 */

container interfaces {
  description
    "Interface configuration parameters.";

  list interface {
    key "name";

    description
      "The list of configured interfaces on the device.

       The operational state of an interface is available in the
       /interfaces-state/interface list.  If the configuration of a
       system-controlled interface cannot be used by the system
       (e.g., the interface hardware present does not match the
       interface type), then the configuration is not applied to
       the system-controlled interface shown in the
       /interfaces-state/interface list.  If the configuration
       of a user-controlled interface cannot be used by the system,
       the configured interface is not instantiated in the
       /interfaces-state/interface list.";

    leaf name {
      type string;
      description
        "The name of the interface.

         A device MAY restrict the allowed values for this leaf,
         possibly depending on the type of the interface.
         For system-controlled interfaces, this leaf is the
         device-specific name of the interface.  The 'config false'
         list /interfaces-state/interface contains the currently
         existing interfaces on the device.
```

Tools to work with YANG Models

- pyang - An extensible YANG validator and converter in python
  - Source Code - https://github.com/mbj4668/pyang
  - Python Package - https://pypi.python.org/pypi/pyang
- YANG Explorer - YANG Browser / RPC Builder
  - https://github.com/CiscoDevNet/yang-explorer
- OpenDaylight YANG Tools – Tools supporting NETCONF and YANG, code generation from YANG models
  - https://wiki.opendaylight.org/view/YANG_Tools:Main

```
$ pyang -f tree <yang-file>
```

```
$ pyang -f tree <odl-dir>/cache/schema/ietf-interfaces\@2014-05-08.yang
module: ietf-interfaces
   +--rw interfaces
   |  +--rw interface* [name]
   |     +--rw name                        string
   |     +--rw description?                string
   |     +--rw type                        identityref
   |     +--rw enabled?                    boolean
   |     +--rw link-up-down-trap-enable?   enumeration {if-mib}?
   +--ro interfaces-state
      +--ro interface* [name]
         +--ro name           string
         +--ro type           identityref
         +--ro admin-status   enumeration {if-mib}?
         +--ro oper-status    enumeration
[--]
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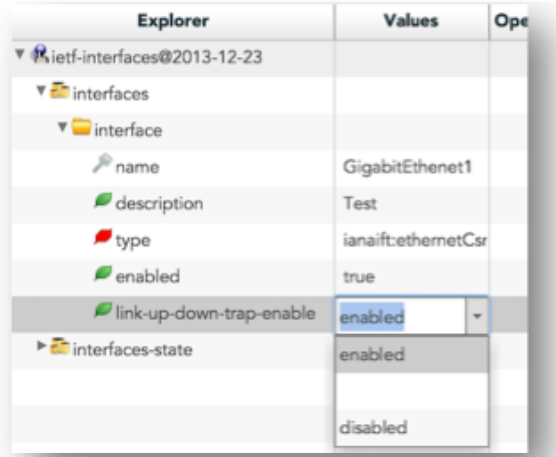

Display a YANG Module

```
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   +--rw interfaces
   |  +--rw interface* [name]
   |     +--rw name                        string
   |     +--rw description?                string
   |     +--rw type                        identityref
   |     +--rw enabled?                    boolean
   |     +--rw link-up-down-trap-enable?   enumeration {if-mib}?
   +--ro interfaces-state
      +--ro interface* [name]
         +--ro name                string
         +--ro type                identityref
         +--ro admin-status        enumeration {if-mib}?
         +--ro oper-status         enumeration
[…]
```

pyang – jsTree Output

```
$ pyang –f jstree –o <output-file> –p <path to models> <model.yang>
```

```
$ pyang -f jstree -o ietf-interfaces.html -p ./cache/schema
./cache//schema/ietf-interfaces\@2014-05-08.yang
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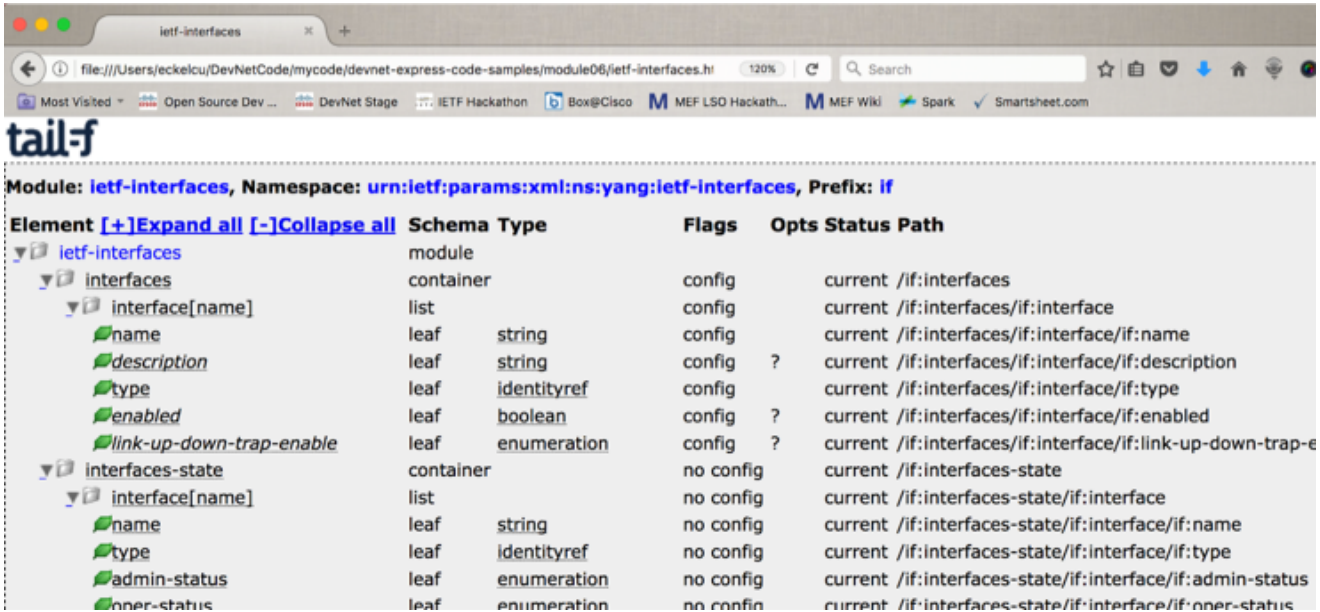
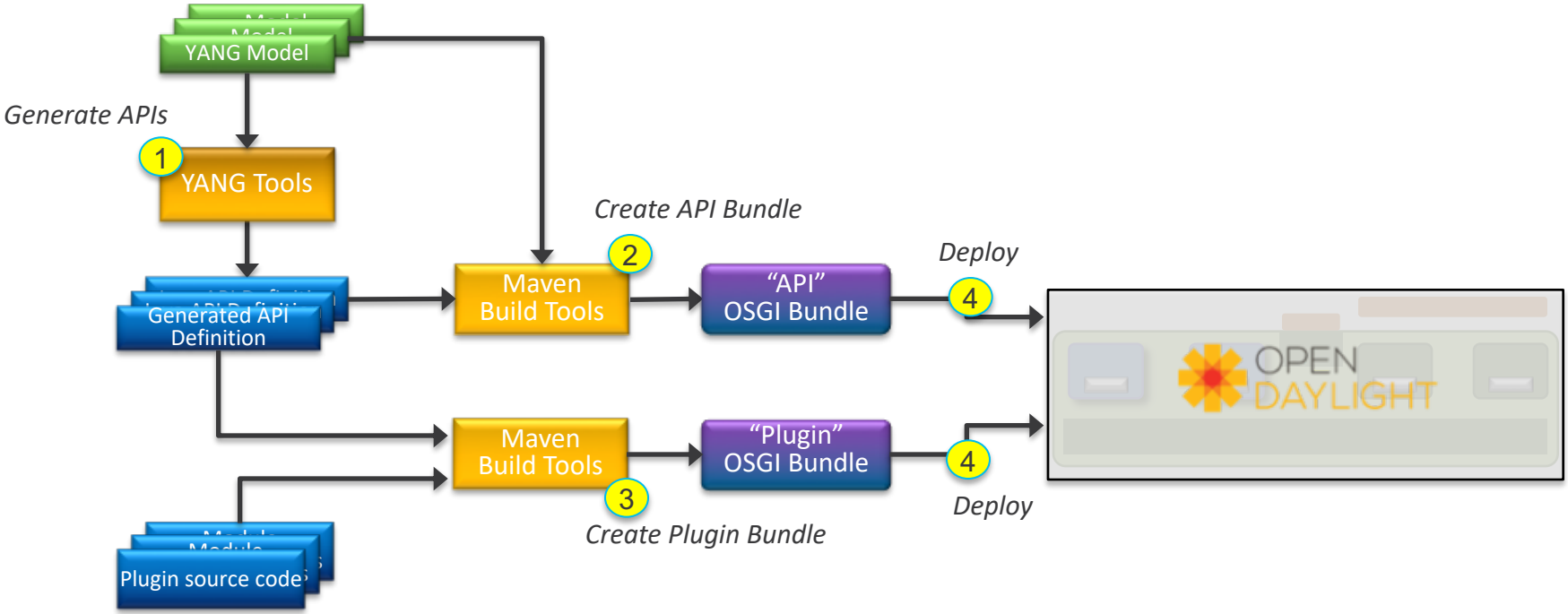


Building a Plugin/Application



NETCONF

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IETF network management protocol

- Defined in RFC 4741 (2006), updated by RFC 6241 (2011)
- Distinguishes between configuration and operational/state data
- Multiple configuration datastores (candidate, running, startup)
- Configuration change validation and transactions
- Selective data retrieval via filtering
- Streaming and playback of event notifications

In Summary:

NETCONF provides fundamental programming features for convenient and robust automation of network services

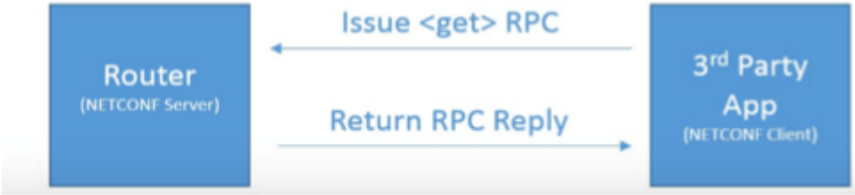
NETCONF Sessions

- NETCONF is connection-oriented
  - SSH, TLS as underlying transport
  - XML for payload
- NETCONF client establishes session with server
- Session establishment: <hello> exchange
  - Announce capabilities, modules, features
- Session termination
  - <close-session>, <kill-session>

1. The NETCONF client establishes an SSH session to the NETCONF server.

2. The NETCONF client and server exchange NETCONF **hello** messages to exchange capabilities.

3. Now that the NETCONF client and server have exchanged **hello** messages, the client may issue an RPC. In this scenario, the client sends a **get** operation and the server responds with operational data. Note that the **get** operational should be filtered for specific data. Filters are built using XML.



NETCONF Commands

- get : to retrieve operational data
- get-config : to retrieve configuration data
- edit-config : to edit a device configuration
- copy-config : to copy a configuration to another data store (e.g. non-volatile memory)
- delete-config : to delete a configuration in a data store

RESTCONF

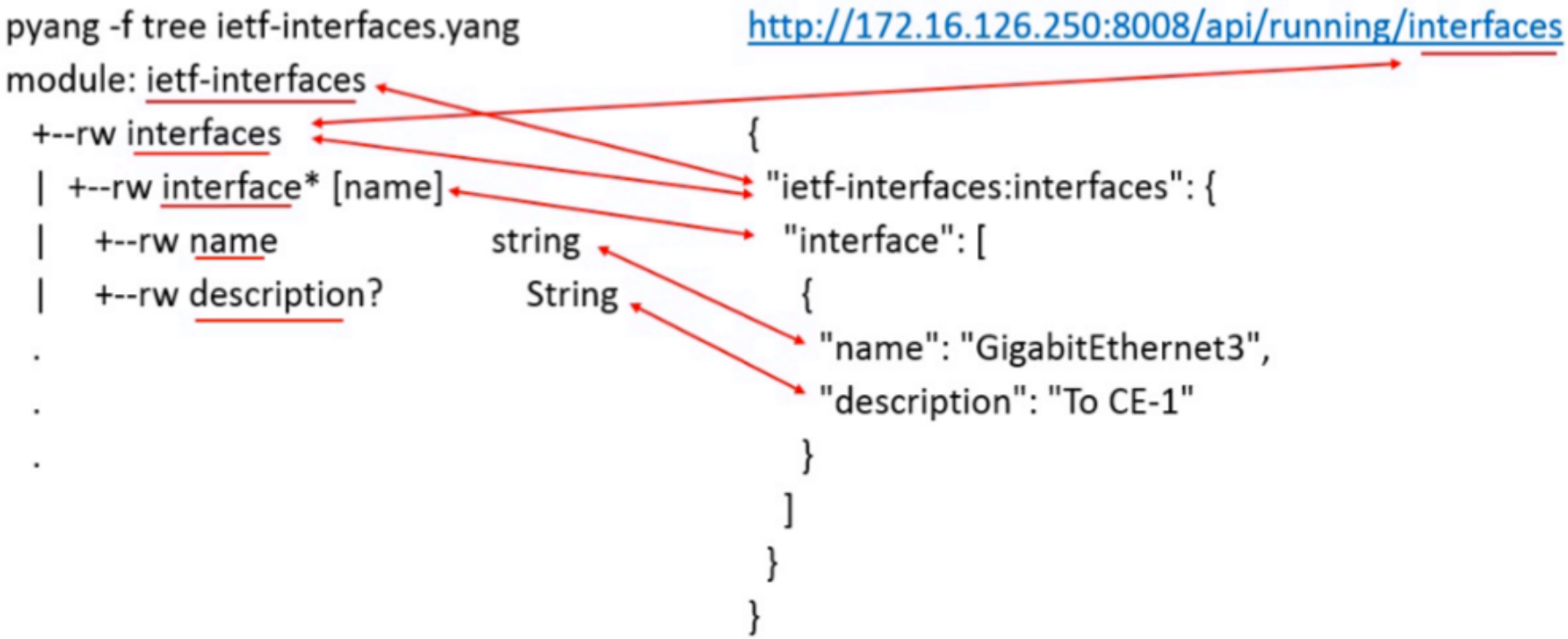
RESTCONF

Restful API for YANG data models

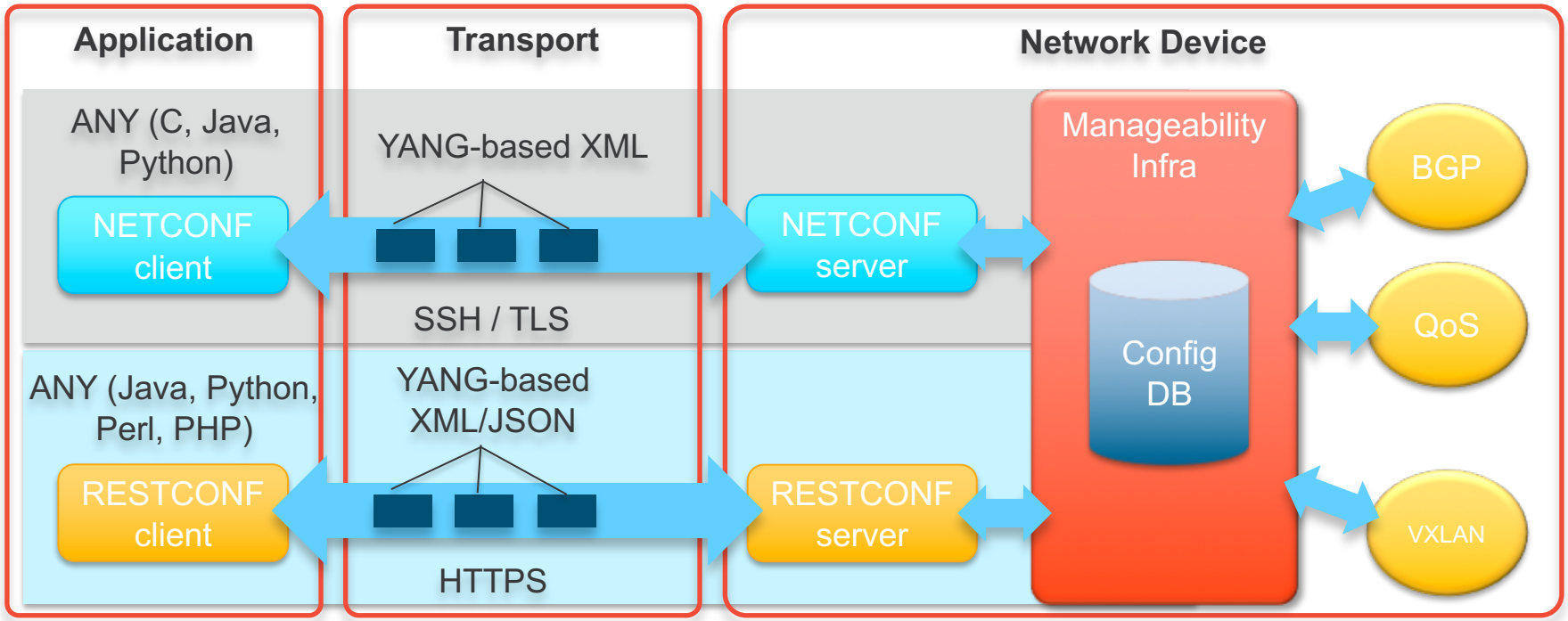
- IETF RFC 8040
- Configuration data and state data exposed as resources
- How to access the data using REST verbs (GET / PUT / POST/ …)
- How to construct URIs to access the data
- HTTP instead of SSH for transport
- JSON in addition to XML for data encoding

In Summary:
RESTCONF provides lighter-weight interface to network datastores leveraging well known combination of REST and JSON

RESTCONF URI & JSON Example

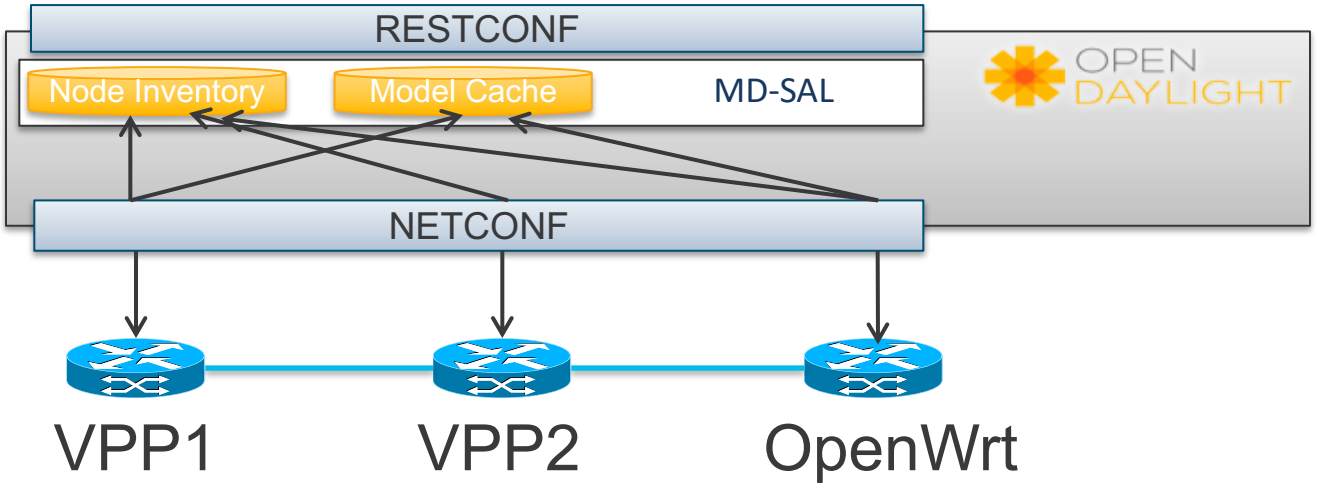


High Level Manageability Architecture



Mounting YANG Datastores
OpenDaylight NETCONF Node “Discovery”

- Nodes added by POSTing to config:modules
- OpenDaylight connects to each node
- OpenDaylight learns capabilities (YANG modules) and stores to cache
  - Cache at ~/cache/schema. Filenames of form yang-model@2016-07-12.yang.



Installation

Distributions

https://www.opendaylight.org/technical-community/getting-started-for-developers/downloads-and-documentation

Downloads

Release	Release date	Downloads	Documentation
Carbon SR2	October 16, 2017	• Pre-Built Tar • Pre-Built Zip • NeXT UI • Virtual Tenant Network (VTN) Coordinator	• Getting Started Guide • Developers Guide • User Guide • Installation Guide • Using OpenDaylight with OpenStack • Release Notes
Nitrogen SR1 (Current Release)	November 26, 2017	• Pre-Built Tar • Pre-Built Zip • Virtual Tenant Network (VTN) Coordinator • OpFlex	• Getting Started Guide • Developers Guide • User Guide • Installation Guide • Using OpenDaylight with OpenStack • Release Notes

```
$ unzip karaf-0.7.1.zip
Archive:  karaf-0.7.1.zip
   creating: karaf-0.7.1/system/ …
$ cd karaf-0.7.1
$ ./bin/karaf
karaf: Enabling Java debug options: -Xdebug -Xnoagent -Djava.compiler=NONE
   -Xrunjdwp:transport=dt_socket,server=y,suspend=n,address=5005
Listening for transport dt_socket at address: 5005
Apache Karaf starting up. Press Enter to open the shell now...
100% [========================================================================]

Karaf started in 0s. Bundle stats: 10 active, 10 total
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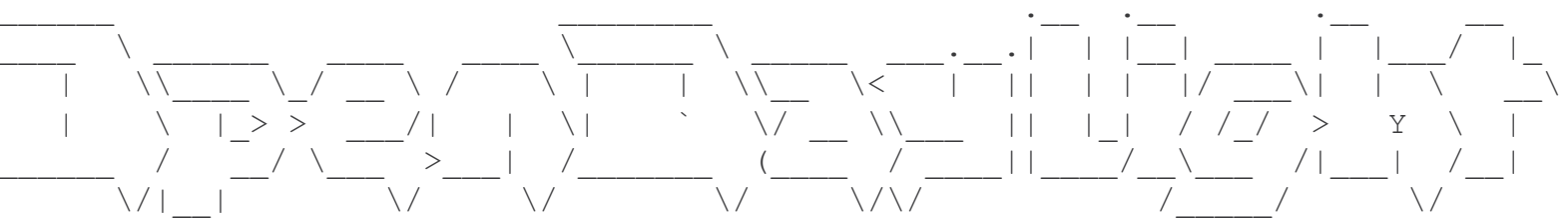
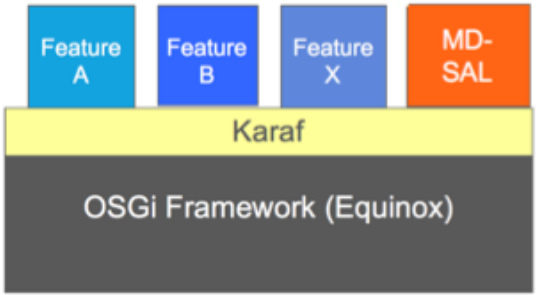


```
Hit '<tab>' for a list of available commands
and '[cmd] --help' for help on a specific command.
Hit '<ctrl-d>' or type 'system:shutdown' or 'logout' to shutdown OpenDaylight.

opendaylight-user@root>
```

Install Features using Karaf

- OpenDaylight distro comes without any features enabled by default
- All features are available for you to install
  - *feature:list* — list all features available
  - *feature:list -i* — list all features installed
  - *feature:list –r* — list all features required
  - *feature:install <feature>* — install the <feature> feature
  - *feature:install <feature-1> <feature-2> … <feature-n>* — install list of features
  - *feature:uninstall <feature>* — uninstalls the <feature> feature

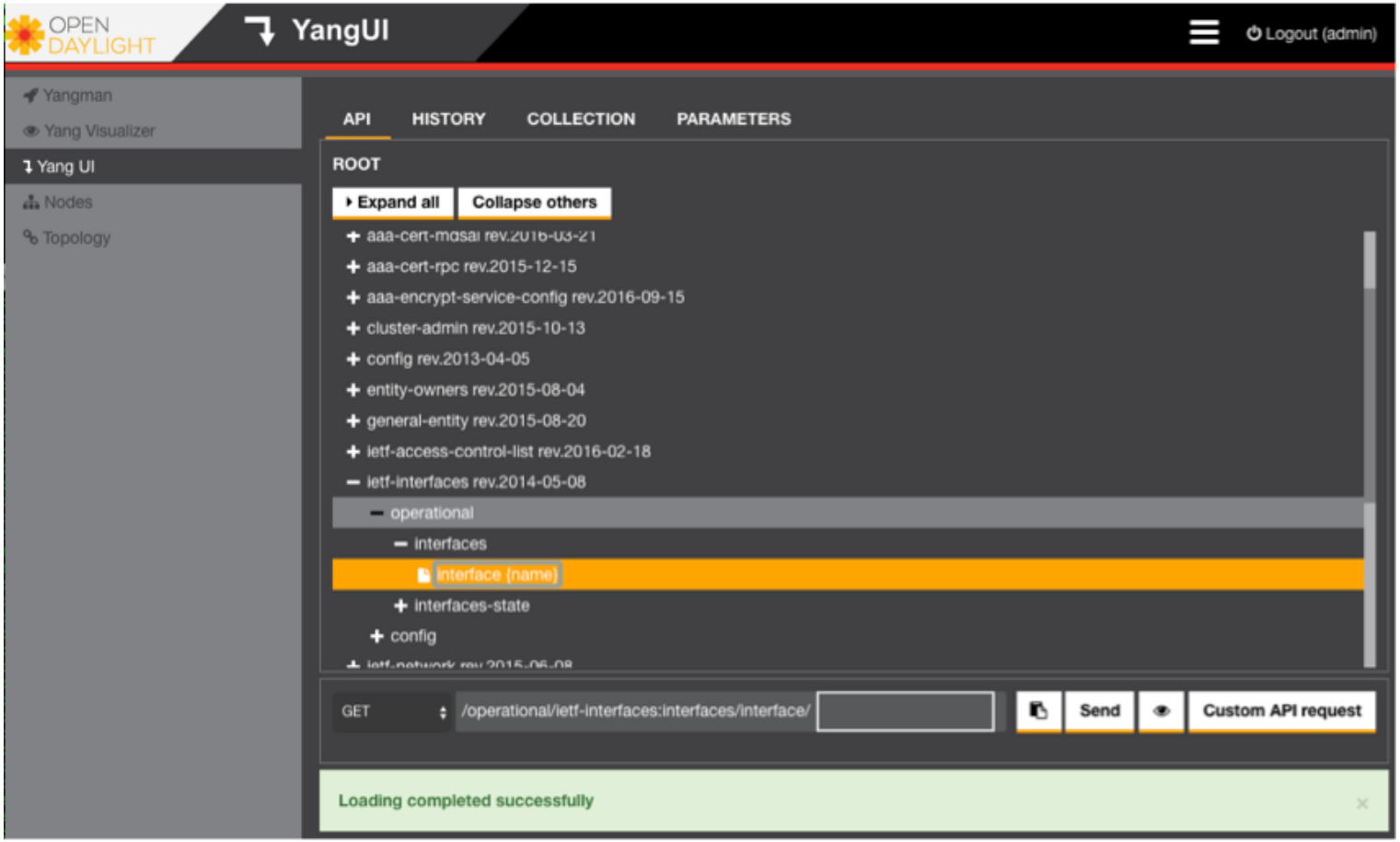


Install DLUX, NETCONF, and RESTCONF

```
opendaylight_user@root> feature:install odl-dlux-core
opendaylight_user@root> feature:install odl-dluxapps-yangui
opendaylight_user@root> feature:install odl-restconf-all
opendaylight_user@root> feature:install odl-netconf-all
opendaylight_user@root> feature:install odl-netconf-topology
Opendaylight_user@root> feature:install odl-netconf-connector-ssh
opendaylight_user@root> feature:list -r

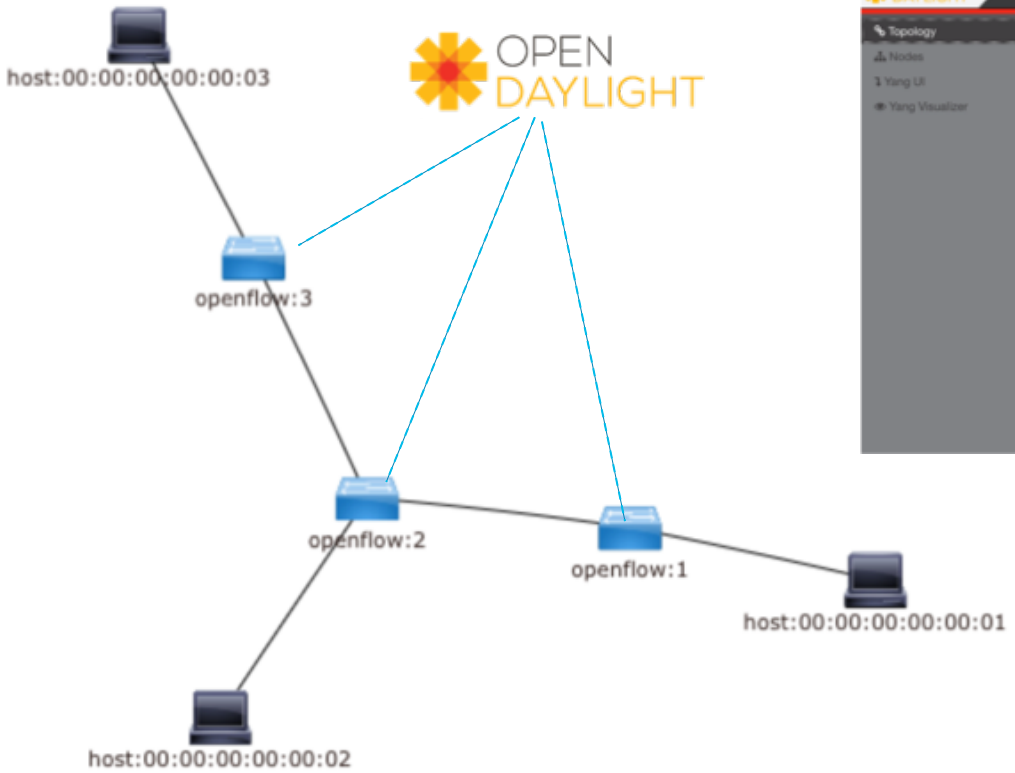
Name                          | Version Required State
------------------------------------------------------------
odl-netconf-topology          | 1.3.1 | x        | Started
odl-restconf-all              | 1.6.1 | x        | Started
odl-netconf-connector-ssh     | 1.3.1 | x        | Started
odl-dluxapps-yangui           | 0.6.1 | x        | Started
odl-netconf-all               | 1.3.1 | x        | Started
odl-dlux-core                 | 0.6.1 | x        | Started
wrap                          | 0.0.0 | x        | Started
standard                      | 4.0.10| x        | Started
```

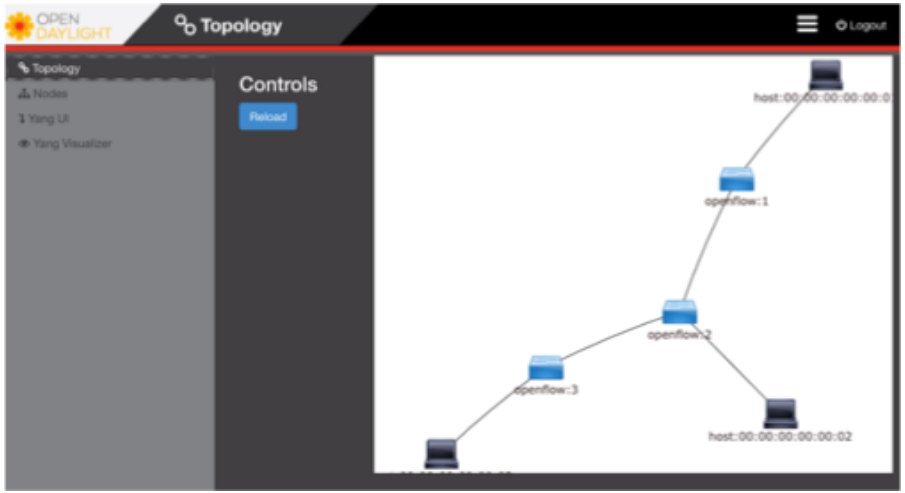
http://localhost:8181/index.html#/yangui/index



Example Use Case

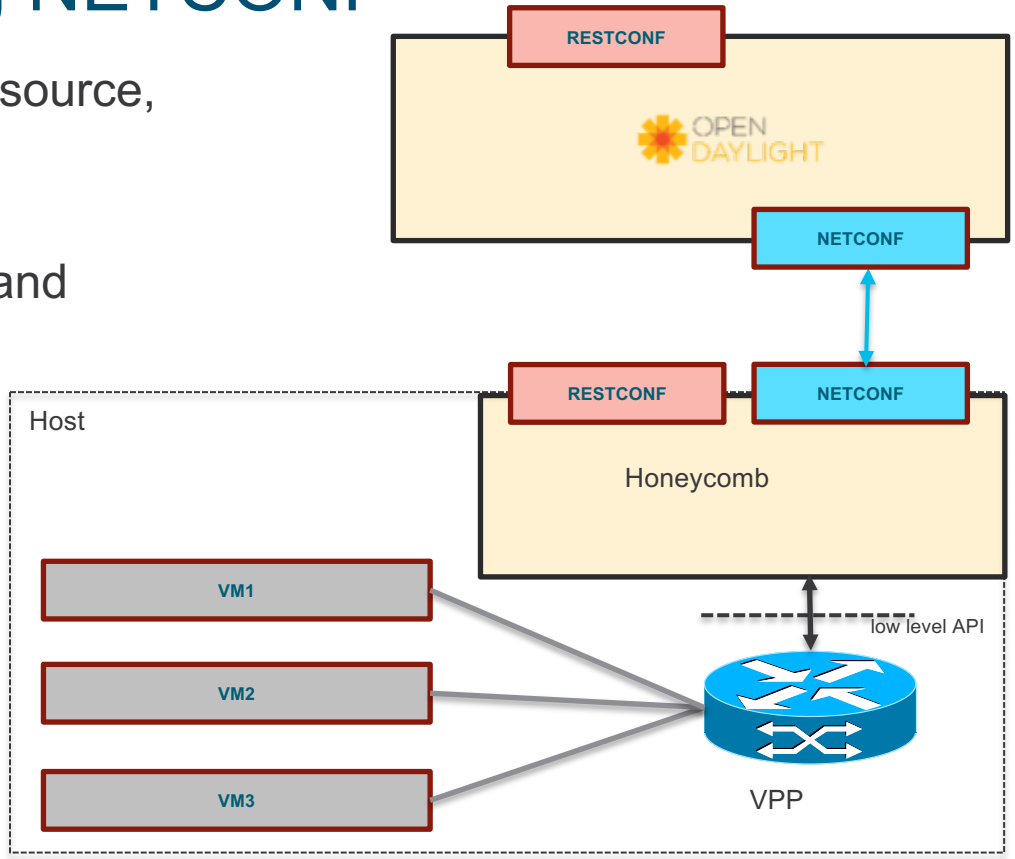
Mininet, OVSDB and OpenFlow





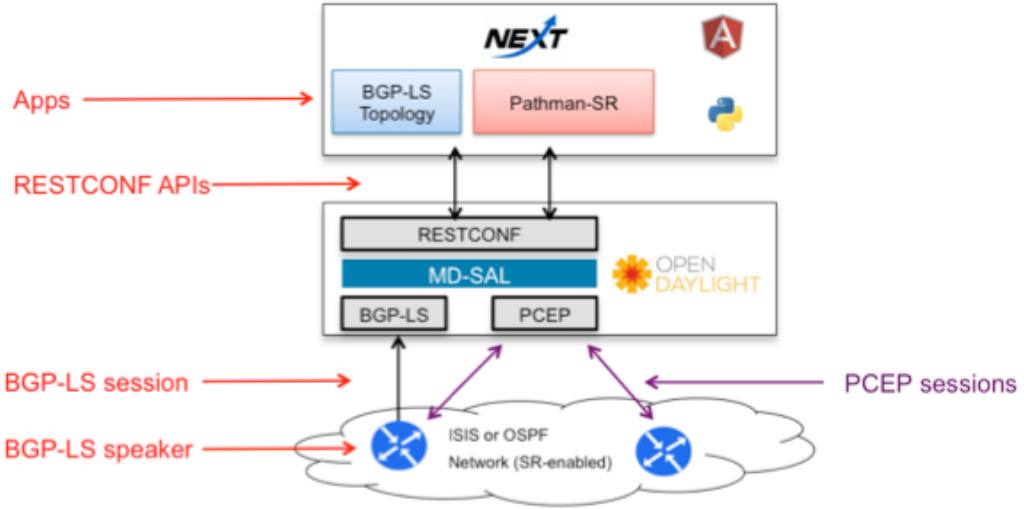
Honeycomb/VPP using NETCONF

- VPP is a high-performance, open source, software forwarder
  - http://www.fd.io
- Honeycomb provides NETCONF and RESTCONF interfaces to VPP

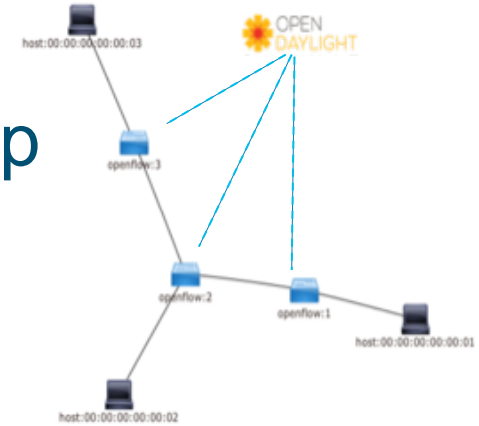


Cisco IOS XR using BGP-LS and PCE-P

- Cisco XRv topology in dCloud
  - dCloud is http://dcloud.cisco.com (requires CCO login)
  - “OpenDaylight Boron SR3 with Apps with 8 Nodes v1”
  - ODL runs in dCloud (or use anyconnect/openconnect VPN to use local ODL instance)
  - http://github.com/CiscoDevNet/opendaylight-setup
- Use Pathman-SR application to create Segment Routed LSPs
  - http://github.com/CiscoDevNet/pathman-sr



OpenDaylight with Mininet – Step by Step



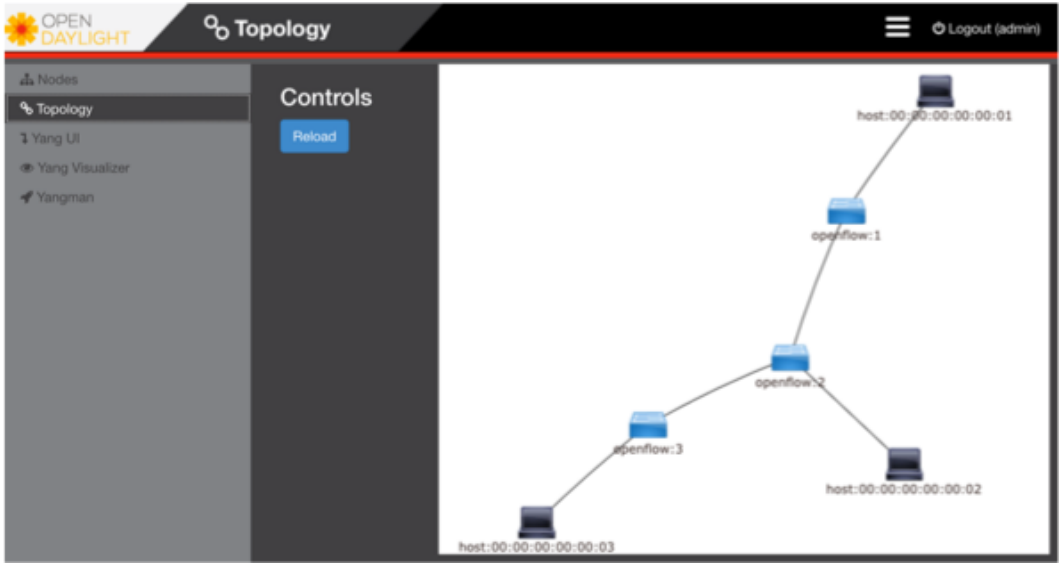
- Install, setup, and start Mininet VM using VirtualBox
  - Great instructions at http://www.brianlinkletter.com/set-up-mininet/
  - Login (user=mininet, password=mininet)
- Within OpenDaylight, enable required feature set
  - `opendaylight-user@root> feature:install odl-l2switch-switch odl-dlux-core odl-dluxapps-applications`
- Within Mininet VM, start 3 switches controlled by OpenDaylight
  - `mininet@mininet-vm:~$ sudo mn --topo linear,3 --mac --controller=remote,ip=<OpenDaylight-IP>,port=6633 --switch ovs,protocols=OpenFlow13`
  - `mininet@mininet-vm:~$ pingall`
- From browser, log into OpenDaylight DLUX
  - `http://<OpenDaylight-IP>:8181/index.html` (credentials: admin/admin)

Mininet Network Start

```
mininet@mininet-vm:~$ sudo mn --topo linear,3 --mac --controller=remote,ip=192.168.40.18,
port=6633 --switch ovs,protocols=OpenFlow13
*** Creating network
*** Adding controller
*** Adding hosts:
h1 h2 h3
*** Adding switches:
s1 s2 s3
*** Adding links:
(h1, s1) (h2, s2) (h3, s3) (s2, s1) (s3, s2)
*** Configuring hosts
h1 h2 h3
*** Starting controller
c0
*** Starting 3 switches
s1 s2 s3 ...
*** Starting CLI:
mininet> pingall
*** Ping: testing ping reachability
h1 -> h2 h3
h2 -> h1 h3
h3 -> h1 h2
*** Results: 0% dropped (6/6 received)
mininet>
```

Using DLUX

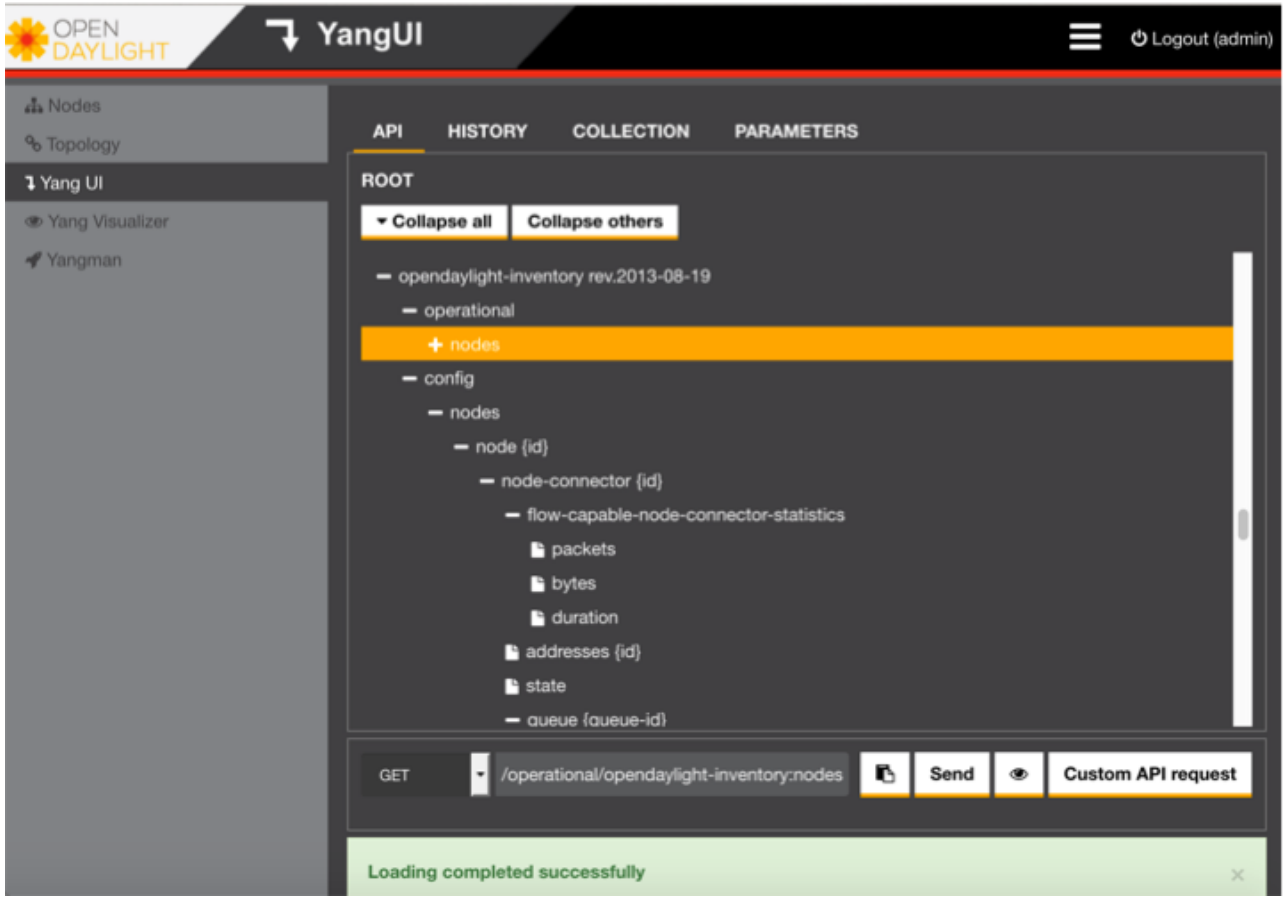
- From Browser, log into OpenDaylight DLUX
  - http://<OpenDaylight-IP>:8181/index.html (credentials: admin/admin)



- Check out the network and switches by clicking on *Nodes*, *Node Connectors*

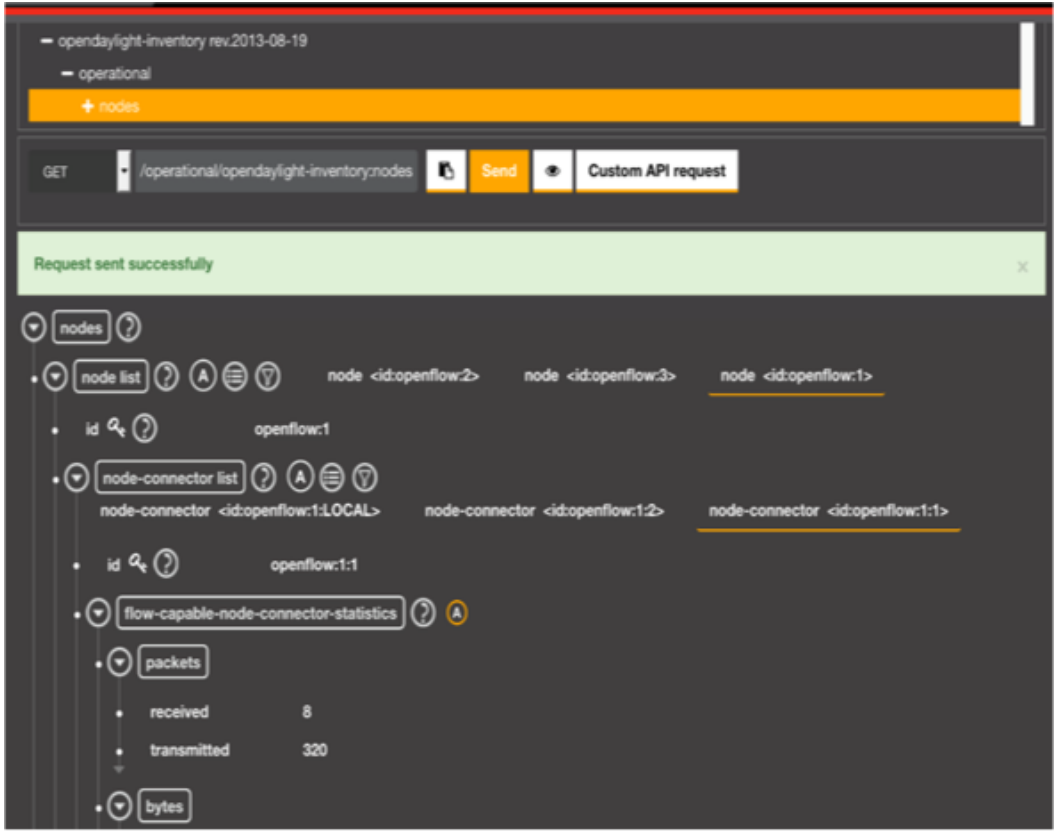
REST APIs

- Click on *Yang UI* and *Expand All* to see the REST APIs available



Inventory of Network Nodes

- GET opendaylight-inventory -> operational -> nodes



Honeycomb/VPP Using NETCONF

Step by Step

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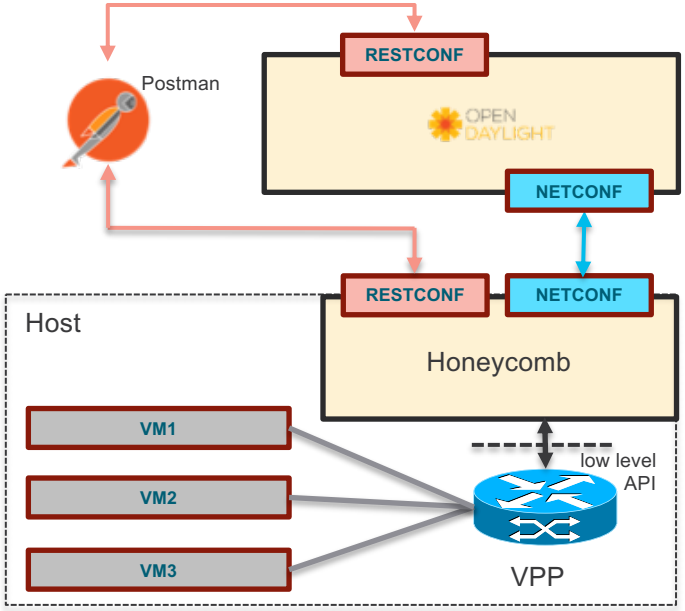

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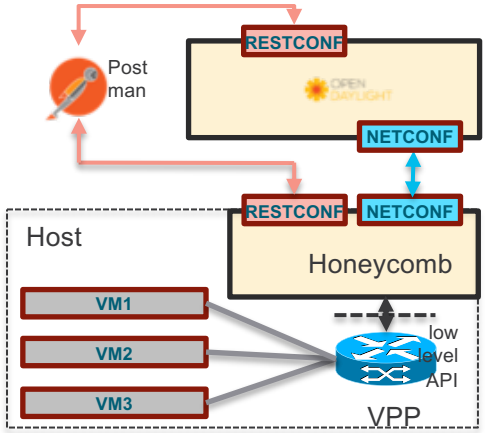
1. Create VM for Honeycomb and VPP

- Download minimal CentOS 7 from https://www.centos.org/download/
- Create VM and enable ssh using http://www.jeramysingleton.com/install-centos-7-minimal-in-virtualbox/ to create VM and enable ssh
  - Add two host-only adapters with DHCP and promiscuous mode enabled
    - One for VPP, another to access Honeycomb directly from laptop
  - To add sudo for my user (devnet/devnet) using https://www.digitalocean.com/community/tutorials/how-to-create-a-sudo-user-on-centos-quickstart



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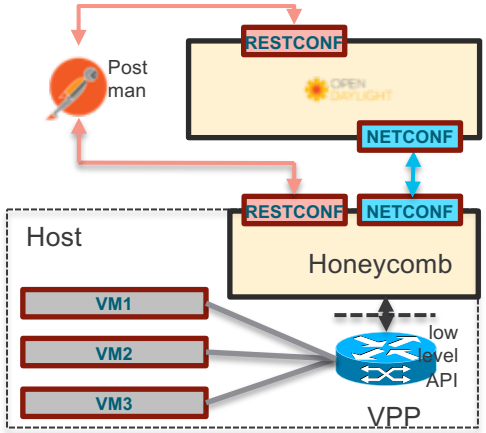
2. Install VPP and Honeycomb on VM

- FD.io wiki provides instructions for installing VPP and installing HC
  - Add the FD.io repo:
    - Add the following lines to /etc/yum.repos.d/honeycomb-release.repo
      [honeycomb-release]
      name=honeycomb release branch latest merge
      baseurl=https://nexus.fd.io/content/repositories/fd.io.centos7/
      enabled=1
      gpgcheck=0
  - Install both packages
    - sudo yum install vpp
    - sudo yum install honeycomb



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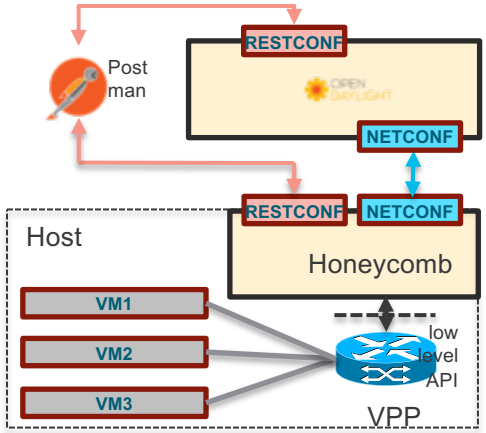
3. Start VPP and Honeycomb



- Important to start VPP first, then Honeycomb
  - sudo service vpp start
  - sudo service honeycomb start
- Check availability of Honeycomb's SSH/NETCONF port:
  - netstat -an | grep 2831
  - You may have to clear iptables (Centos blocks most traffic by default)
    - iptables -P INPUT ACCEPT
    - iptables -P FORWARD ACCEPT
    - iptables -P OUTPUT ACCEPT
    - iptables -t nat -F
    - iptables -t mangle -F
    - iptables -F
    - iptables -X

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4. Connect to VPP Using CLI

- Connect to VPP's command line interface (CLI) https://wiki.fd.io/view/VPP/Command-line_Interface_(CLI)_Guide
  - $ ssh devnet@192.168.60.101
  - $ sudo vppctl

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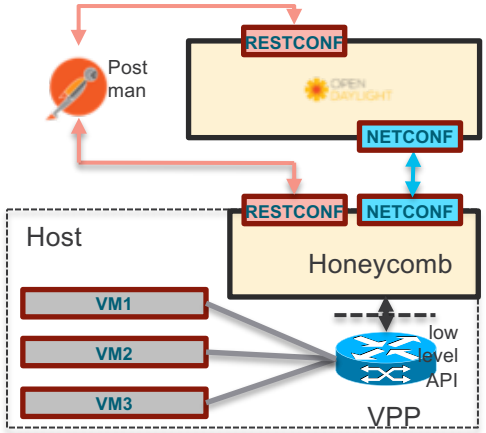
  - $vpp# show interface

Name	Idx	State	Counter	Count
host-vpp1out	1	up	rx packets	6



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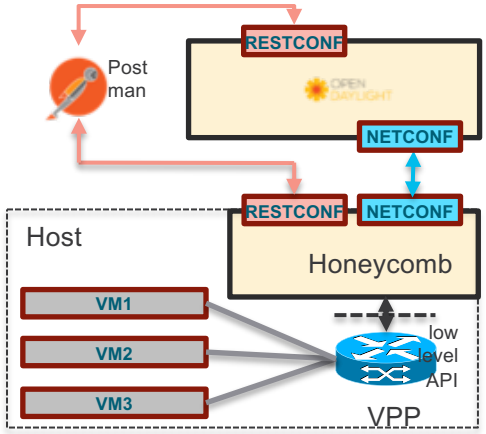
5. Add interface(s) to VPP

- Add a virtual interface using https://wiki.fd.io/view/VPP/Progressive_VPP_Tutorial#Exercise:_Create_an_Interface
- Optionally add a physical NIC using https://wiki.fd.io/view/VPP/How_To_Connect_A_PCI_Interface_To_VPP
  - Need to have associated a host-only network; if none, add one with DHCP and promiscuous mode before proceeding, should get something like
  - Details in notes section of slide



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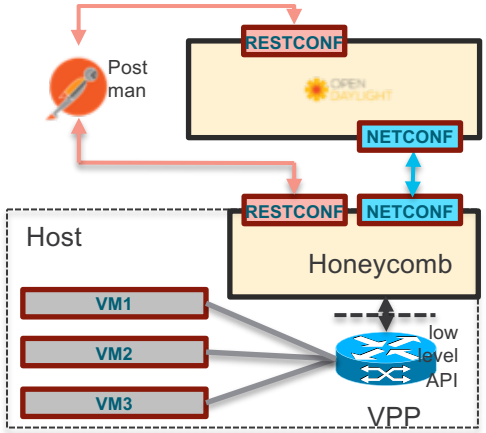
6. Connect to VPP Using Honeycomb and NETCONF



- Honeycomb listens on port 2831 for SSH/NETCONF
- Connect to VPP and issue for sample commands using: https://wiki.fd.io/view/Honeycomb/Releases/1609/Running_Honeycomb
- You also need to add ssh-dss when connecting via ssh
  - $ ssh -oHostKeyAlgorithms=+ssh-dss admin@192.168.60.101 -p 2831 -s netconf
- By default, honeycomb listens for RESTCONF on localhost:2831. To connect via RESTCONF from off-box
  - $ sudo vi /opt/honeycomb/config/restconf.json
    - Change restconf config from localhost or 127.0.0.1 to 0.0.0.0, e.g.

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"restconf-binding-address": "0.0.0.0",
"restconf-port": 8183,
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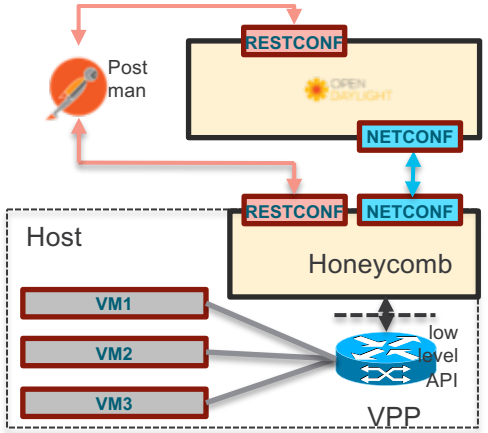
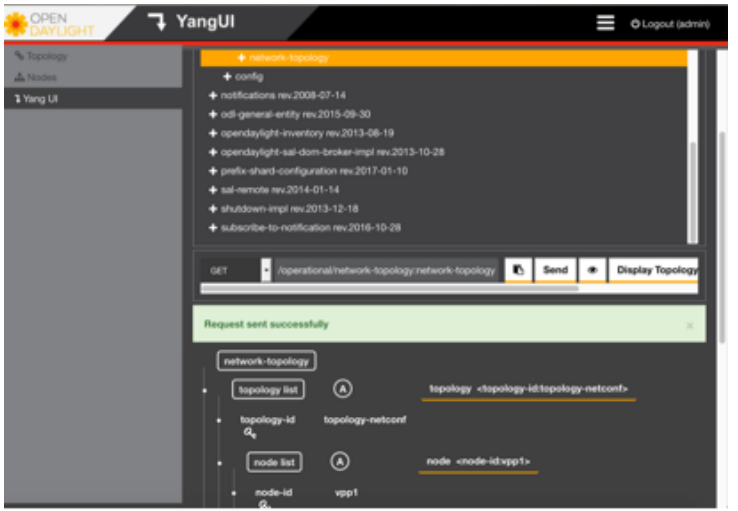
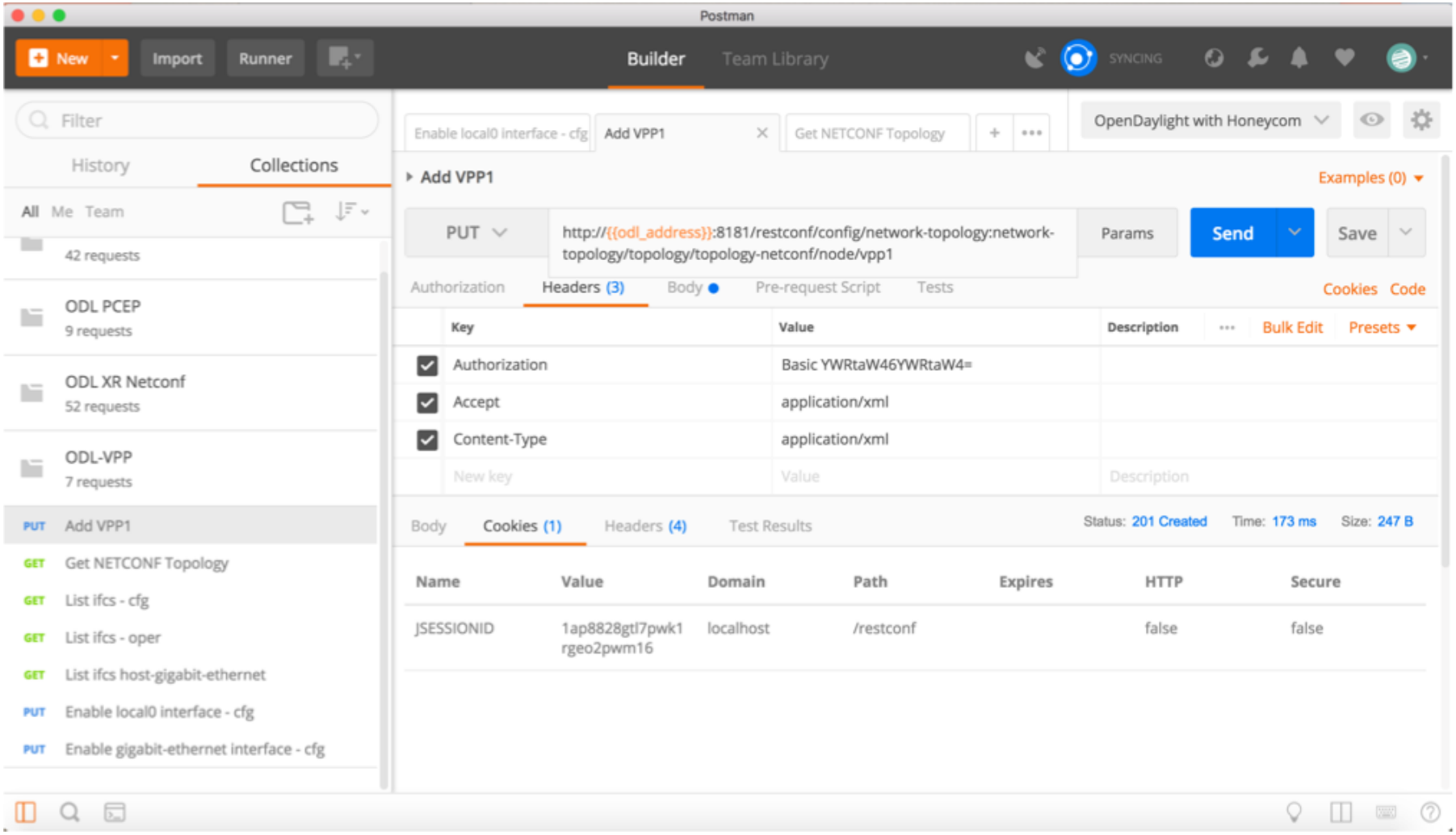
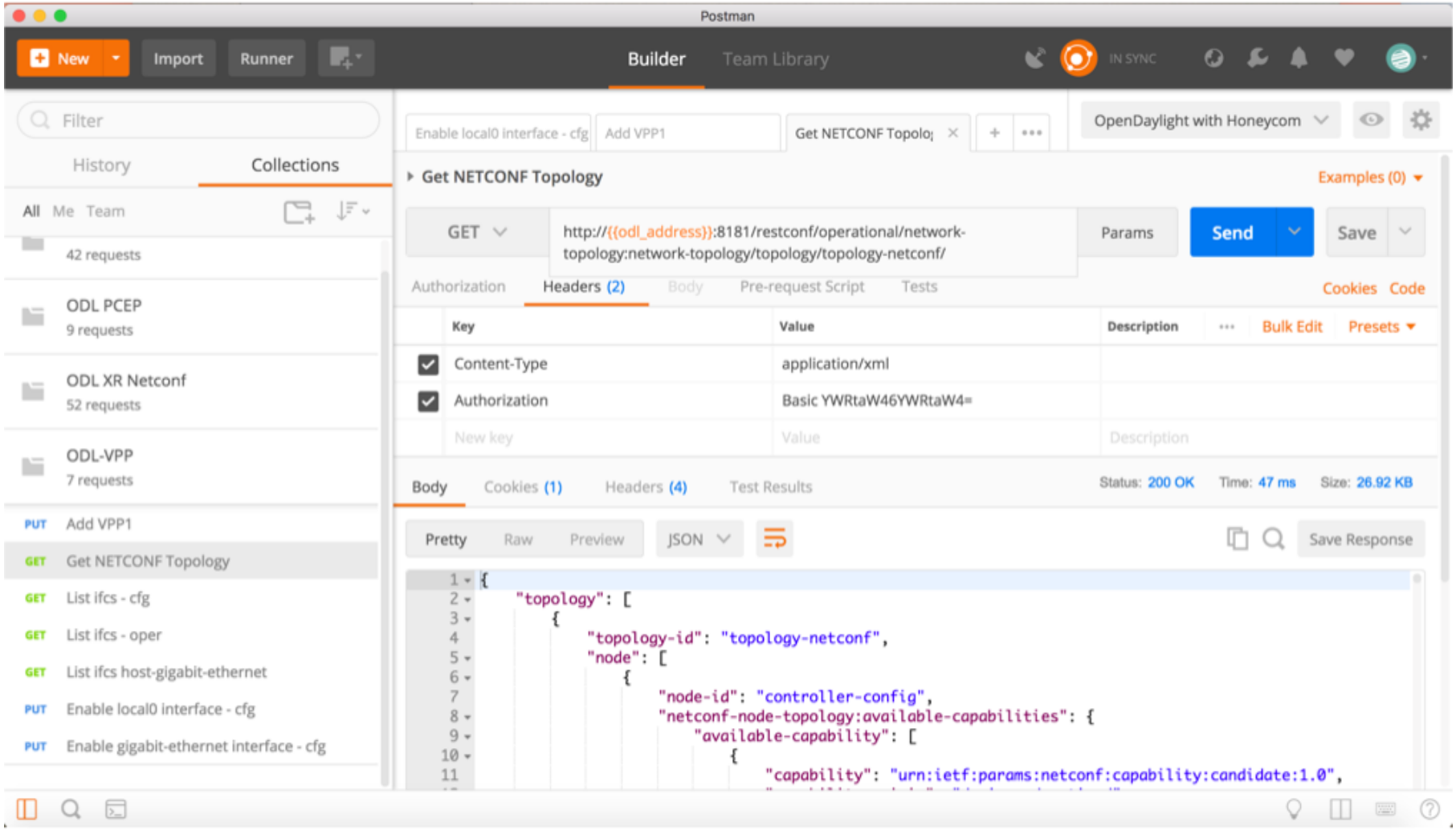
7. Connect to VPP Using OpenDaylight

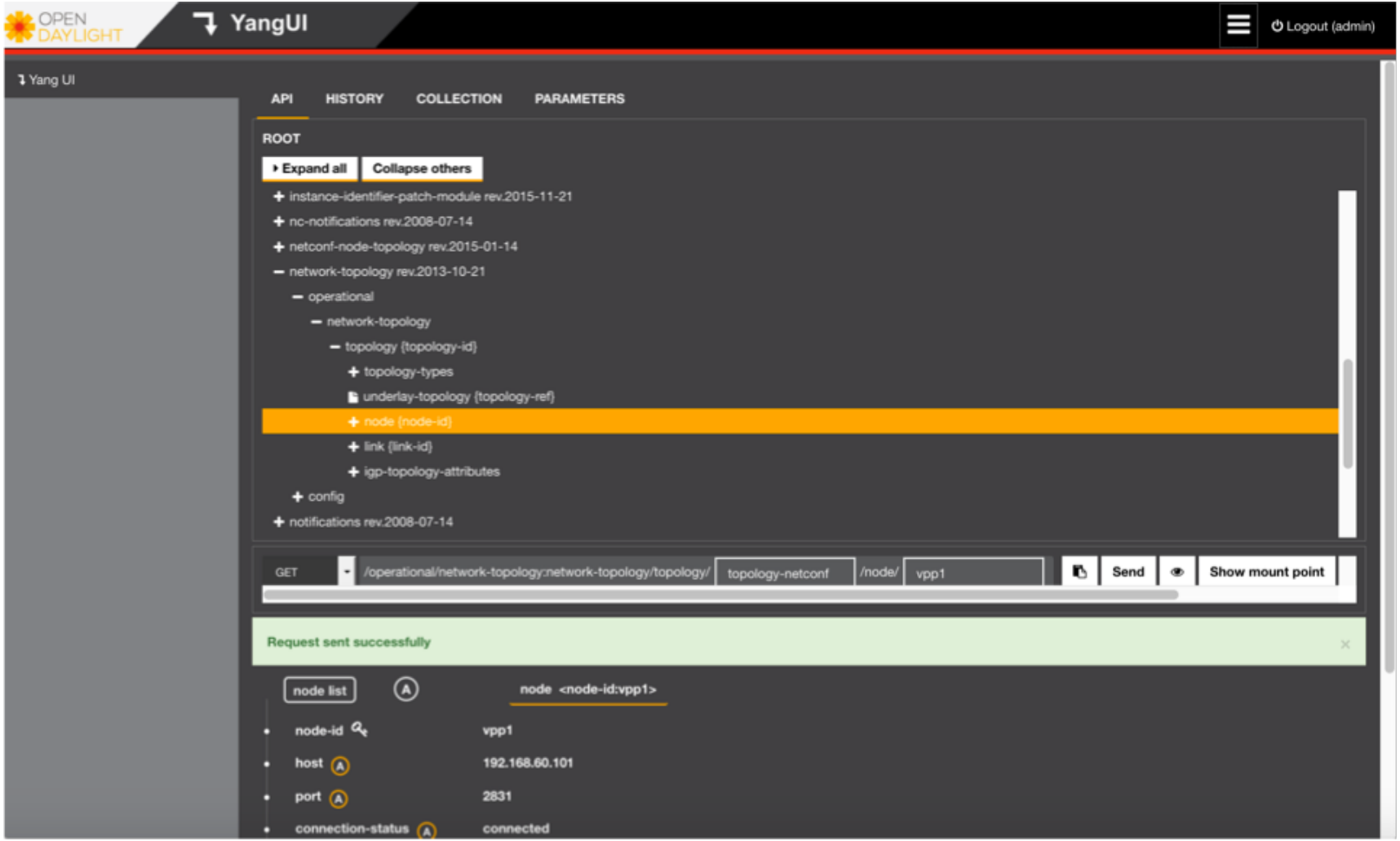
- Enable NETCONF interface on OpenDaylight
  - feature:install odl-restconf-all odl-netconf-all odl-netconf-topology odl-netconf-connector-ssh
- Add VPP to OpenDaylight using Postman
  - PUT http://{{odl_address}}:8181/restconf/config/network-topology:network-topology/topology/topology-netconf/node/vpp1
  - Postman collection
    - https://github.com/CiscoDevNet/opendaylight-sample-apps/blob/master/postman-collections/ODL-VPP.json
- Interact with VPP using OpenDaylight DLUX











Conclusions

Key Takeaways

- SDN is more than just OpenFlow
- Network programmability is key benefit of SDN
- OpenDaylight provides a platform for network applications and programmable network infrastructure via YANG, NETCONF, RESTCONF

Additional resources

Open Source Dev Center

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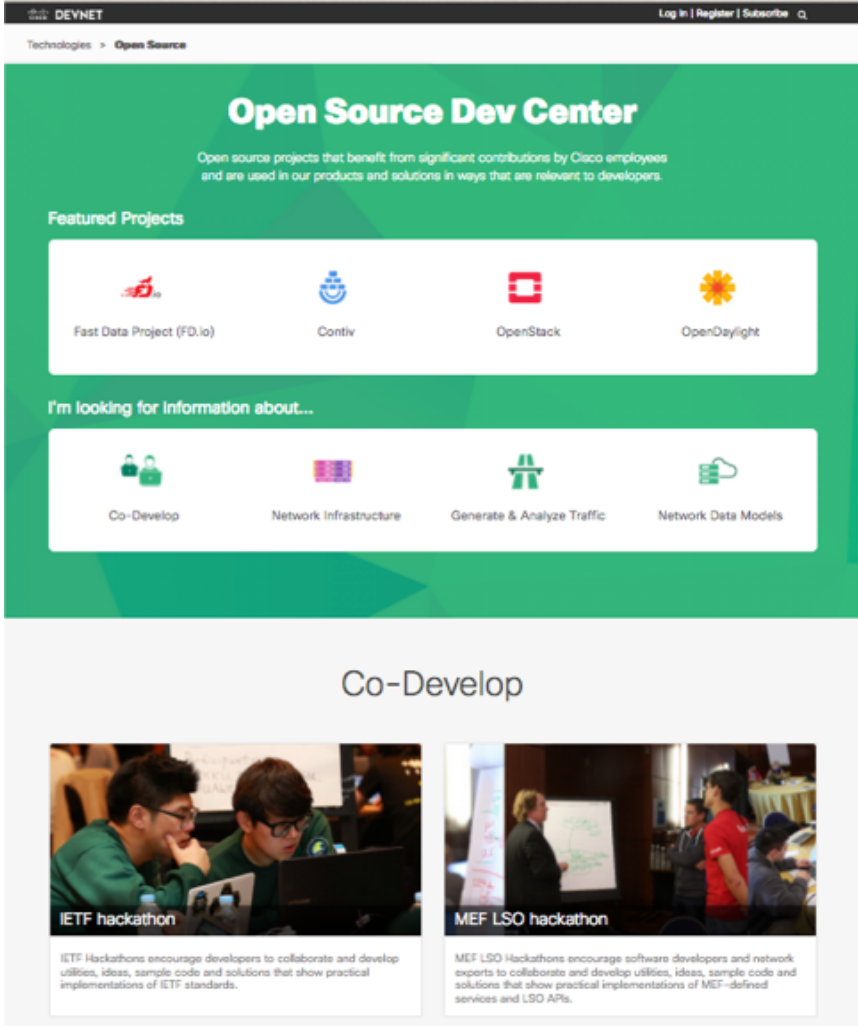
- Contributions to open source
- Use in products/solutions
- Community forums, blogs
- Developer Events
  - IETF Hackathons and MEF LSO Hackathons featuring open source implementations of open standards



OpenDaylight Microsite
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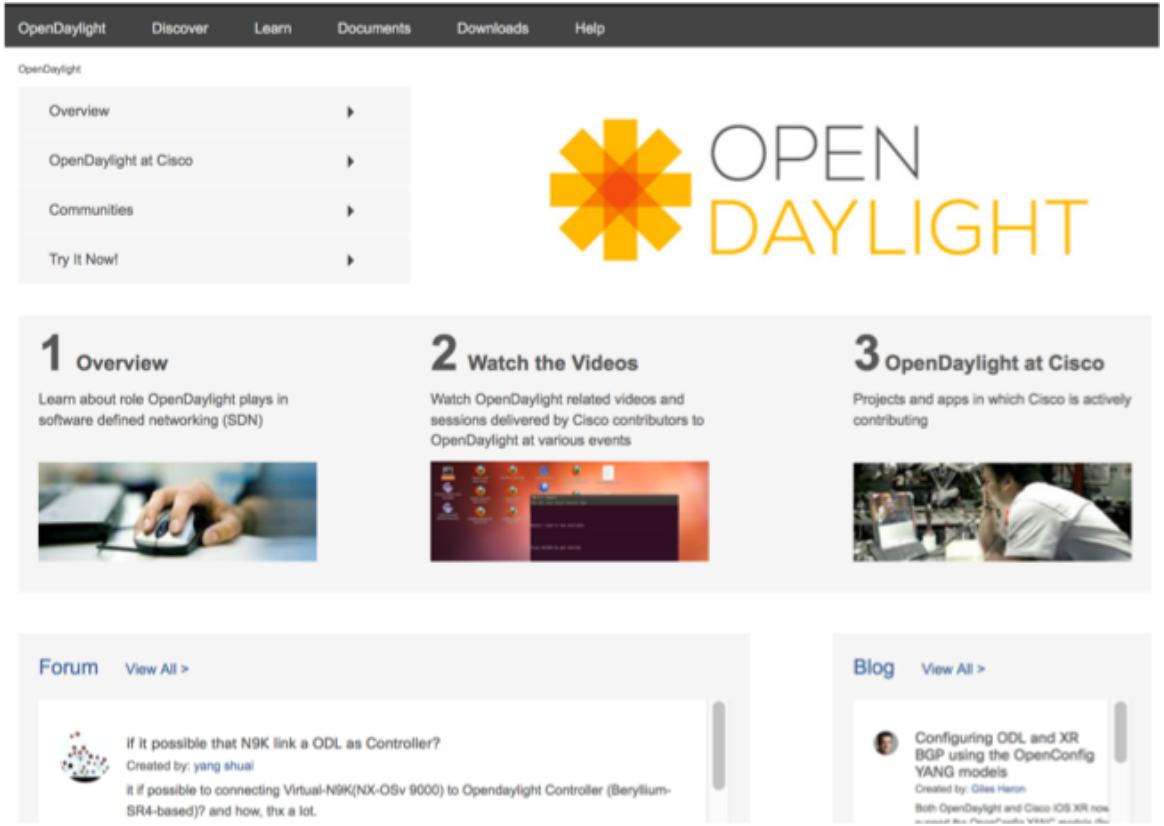
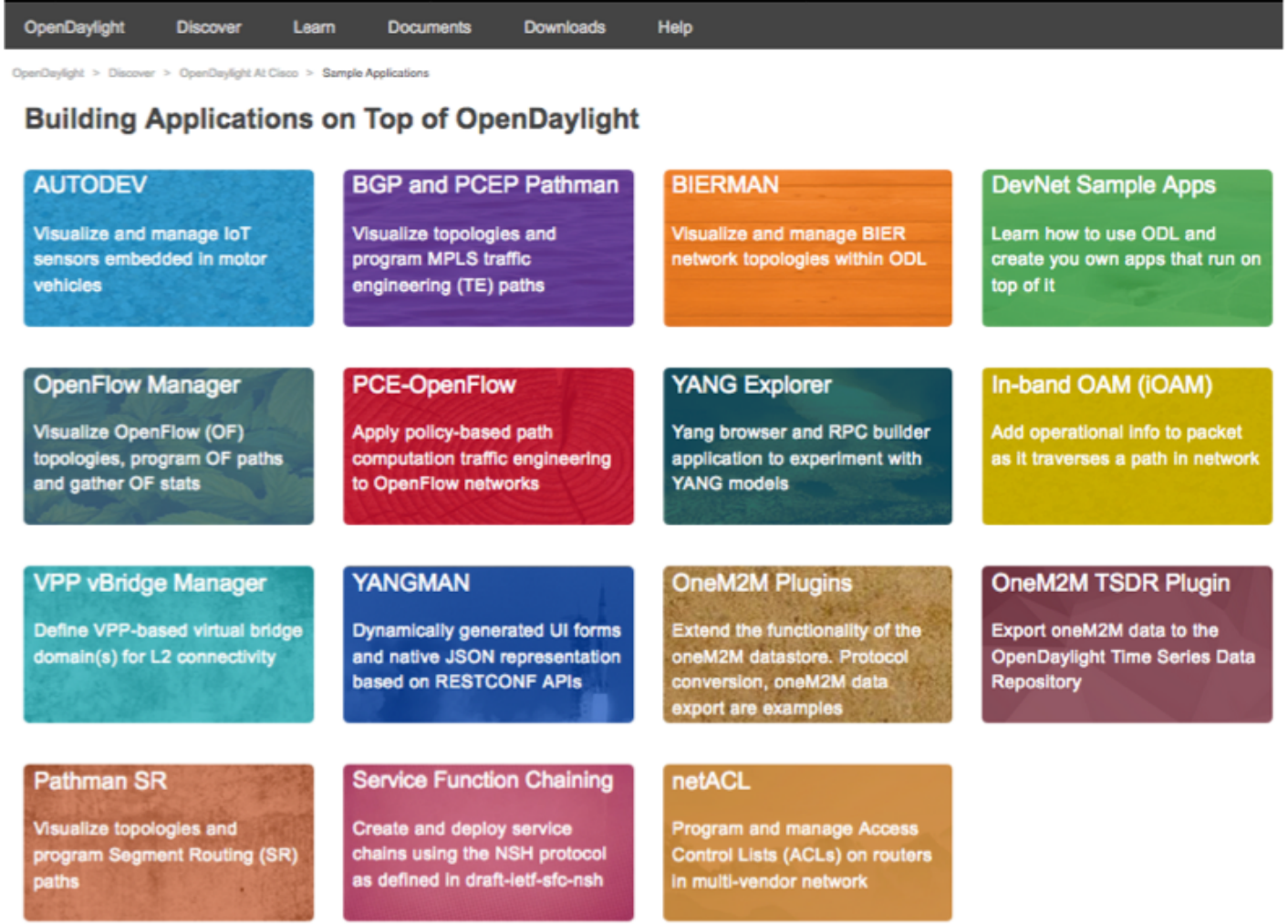
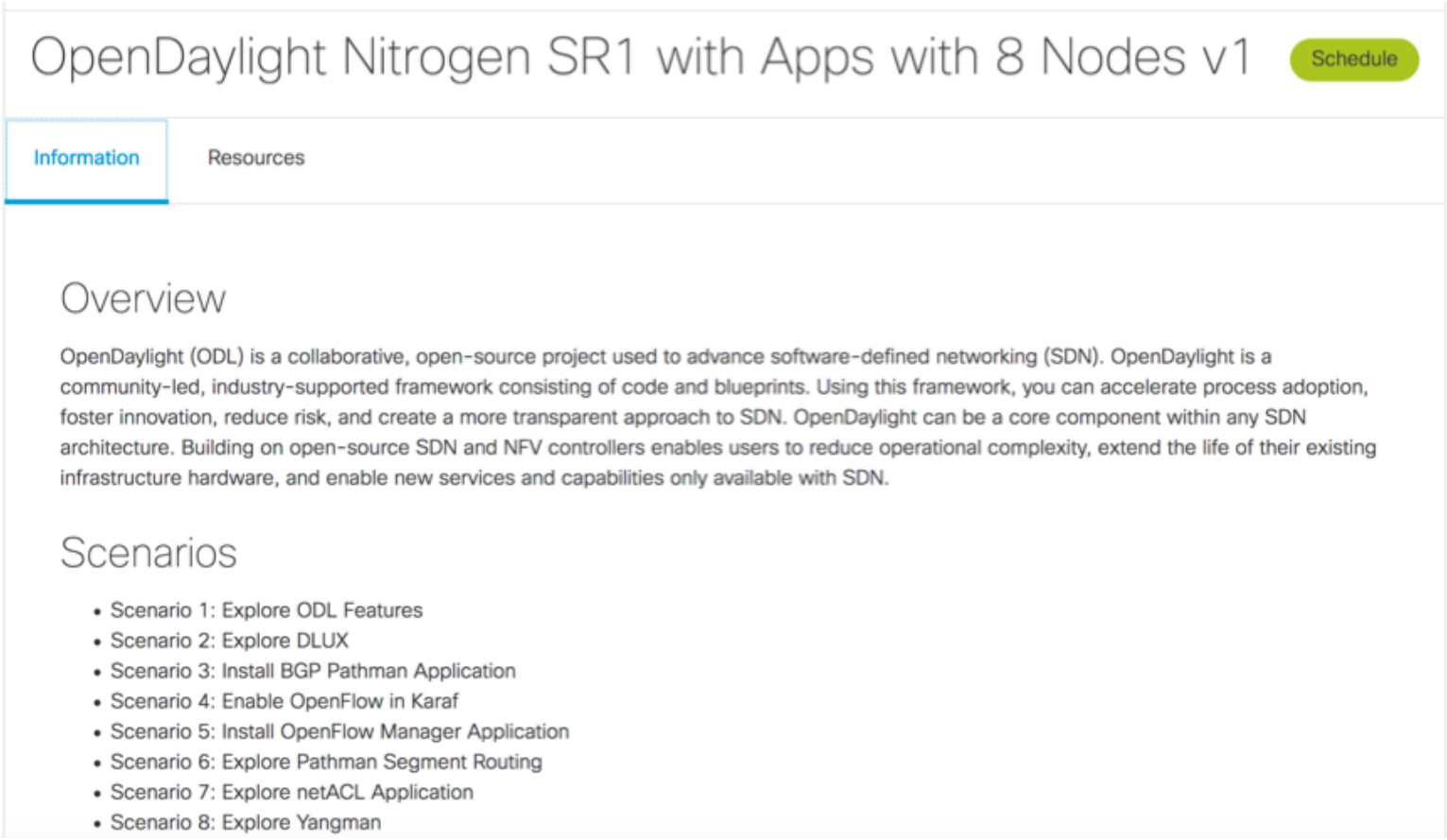
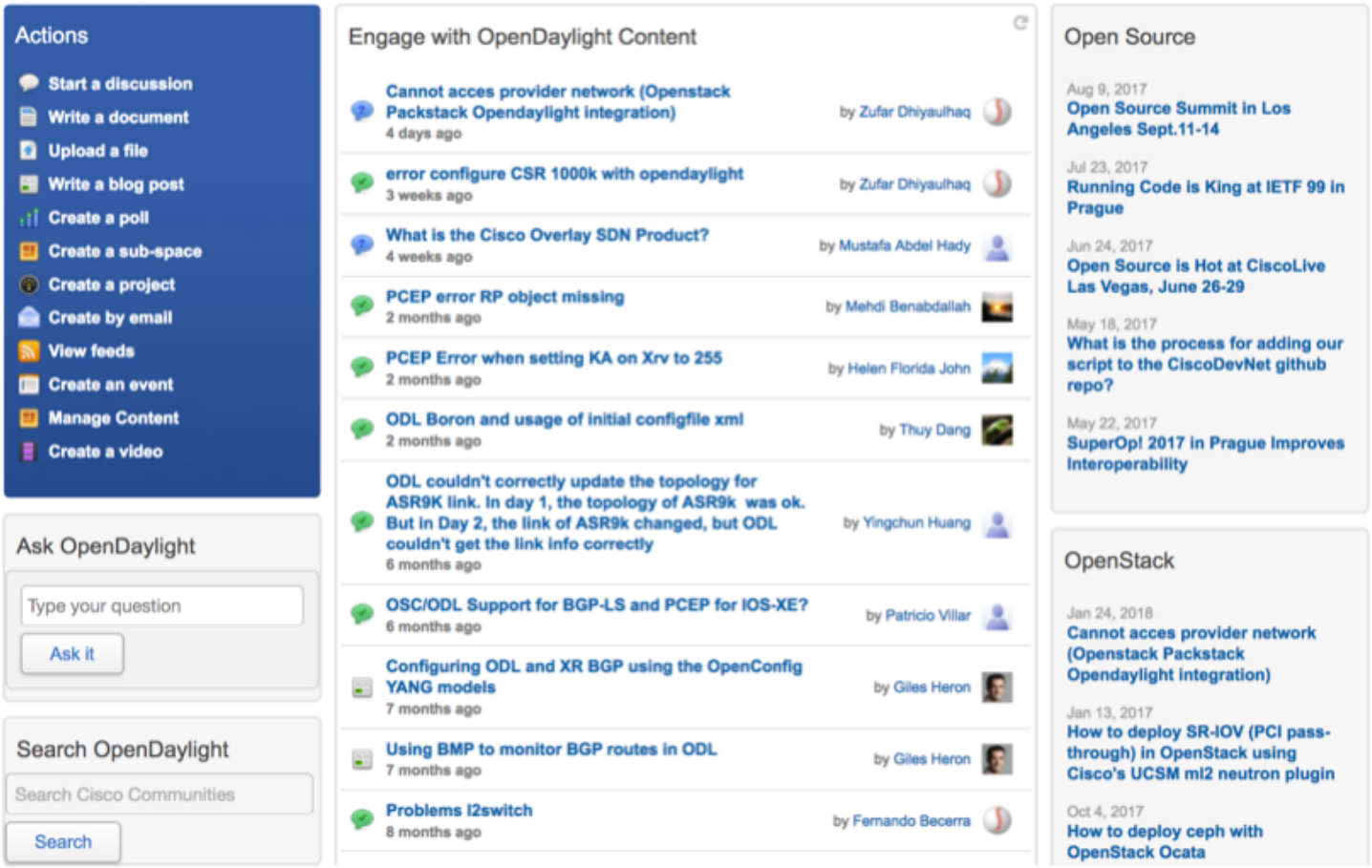




Tutorials and Sandboxes



https://communities.cisco.com/community/developer/opendaylight



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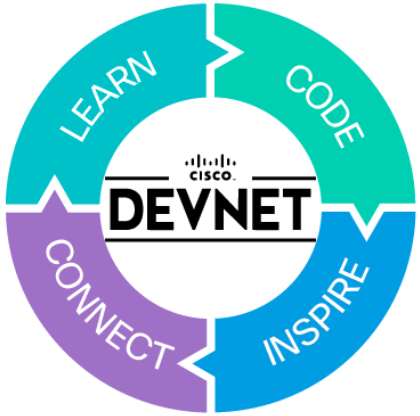

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