

# Time Capability in NETCONF

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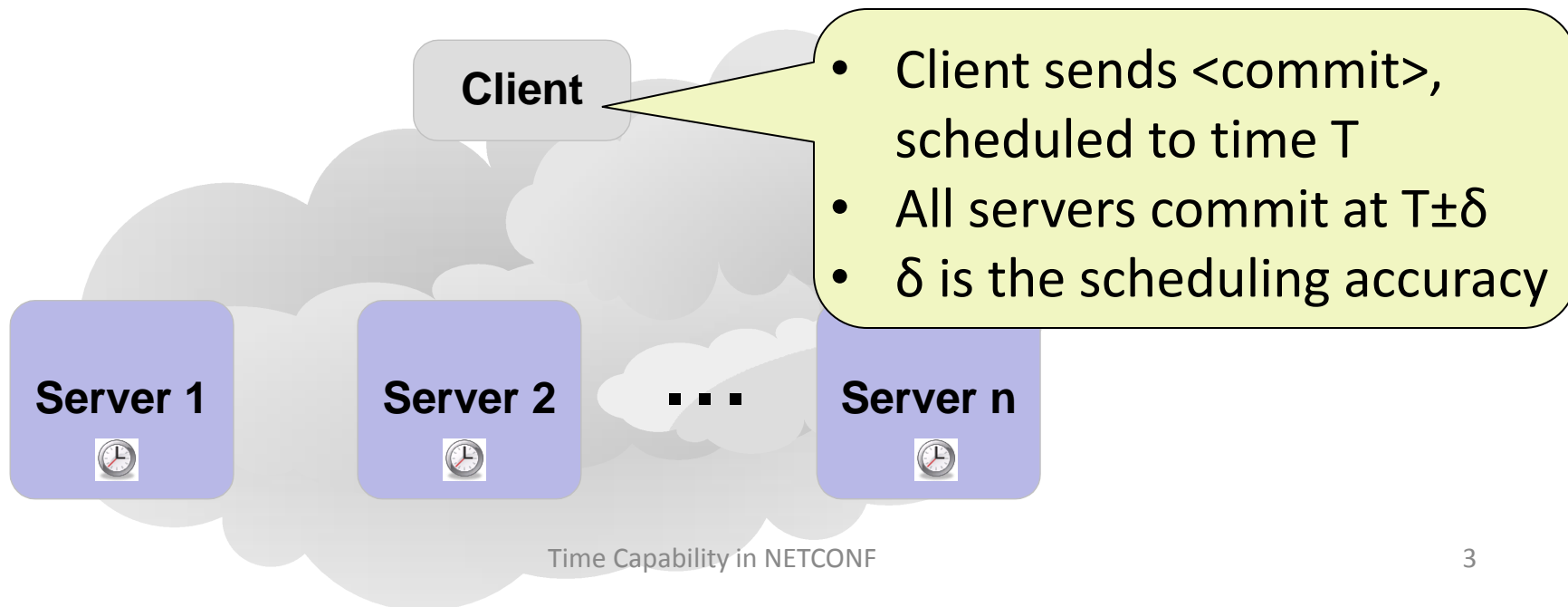
# Overview

- This draft defines the **time** capability.
- Allows time-triggered RPCs.
- Client can attach a scheduled time of execution to RPCs.
- Server can attach timestamp to RPC reply.
- Very powerful tool for various network configuration scenarios.
- We defined a similar extension to the OpenFlow protocol. It is now in OpenFlow 1.5.0 and in the OpenFlow 1.3.x extension package.

# Example: Network-wide Commit

All-or-none commit:

- Client sends 'commit at time  $T$ ' to  $n$  servers
- A client that receives an error message from some server sends cancellation messages to all
- In the absence of cancellation, the  $n$  switches commit at time  $T$



# History of this Draft

- July 2013 – draft 00
- July 2013 – presented in IETF 87, Berlin
- Jan 2014 – draft 01
  - Incorporated a lot of feedback from the WG
- Dec 2015 – draft 03 (current draft)
  - We believe we addressed all the issues raised on the mailing list.
- **Next step**: consider WG adoption

**THANKS !**

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