Catalog and registry for YANG models

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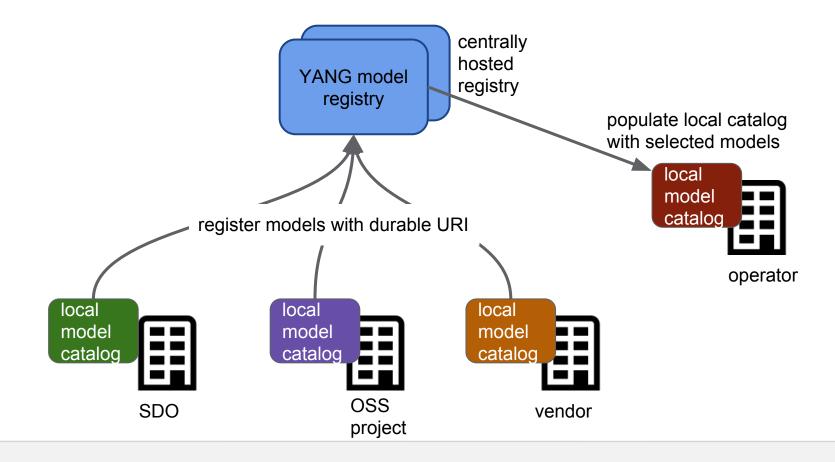
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Why do we need a registry for YANG models

- Models everywhere
 - IETF: 165 modules
 - MEF: 5 modules
 - IEEE : 7 modules
 - ODL: 500+ modules
 - OpenConfig : 30 modules
 - more coming ...
- what do these models do?
- are they implemented?
- how mature are they?
- are they free to use?
- where can I get them?

Central registry , distributed administration



Requirements for the model catalog

Provide the information needed for users to determine which models best meet their needs

- organization responsible for the module
- classification of the module
 - functional category, service vs. element, commercial vs. free-touse, model license, etc.
 - extensible via augments
- module dependencies
- durable, machine-readable pointer to the YANG module
- list of available server implementations that support the module
- authentication / verification information

Example implementation

- Demo created as part of the IETF Hackathon (Carl Moberg, Cisco)
 - RESTCONF based admin interface to the registry
 - ability to update and retrieve catalog data

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Additional use cases and open questions

Consumers / operators

- determine which models provide needed functionality
- what platforms support the model
- create approved / tested module 'bundles'
 - \circ $\,$ example schema in the draft

Model developers

- find existing models to leverage
- query for already-defined types and other reusable data

Open issues

- registry should be central -- where to host? by whom?
- handling per-org schema extensions
- cross-org updates (e.g., vendors updating implementation info)