



-WP4 Workshop- Draft proposal for a Fabric Global Schema

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Task Description

TASK:

- ◆ Definition of a common structure for fabric configuration information.

This task has to propose a common scheme for all fabric configuration information to be stored in the Configuration Database, and has therefore to closely work together with all WP4 tasks.



Motivation

- ◆ Allows to share data between components/programs
- ◆ Decouples data from implementation (e.g. the filesystem configuration should not change regardless on if we use KickStart or LCFG or anything else to create the filesystems), this eases migration between different tools/components
- ◆ Allows to have system independent configuration representation (e.g. same filesystem description, validation, policies... for Linux and Solaris)
- ◆ Take advantage of other work like DMTF -> interoperability
- ◆ Others do the same way (e.g. hardware description in Windows registry)

Procedure

- ◆ Work together with CERN and Testbed system administrators to understand their configuration needs.
- ◆ Take a CERN Ixplus standard node and extract its configuration information.
- ◆ Structure it (XML).
- ◆ Have a look to the DMTF standard, and compare it with the previous structure.
- ◆ Implement the global schema using the High level Description Language (HLDL) from the Configuration Mgt. Task.



XML vs. HLD schema presentation

- ◆ Present XML schema
- ◆ Present associated HLD schema, focusing in:
 - Template definitions to structure the data according to the defined schema
 - Data Validation
 - HLD Language capabilities



General XML Profile Structure

- ```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8" ?>
- <nlist name="profile" >
 - + <nlist name="system">
 - + <nlist name="hardware">
 - + <nlist name="sw">
- </nlist>
```



## XML /hardware branch

- `<nlist name="hardware">`
  - `+ <nlist name="tape" type="record">`
  - `+ <nlist name="dvd" type="record">`
  - `+ <nlist name="cdrom" type="record">`
  - `+ <nlist name="keyboard" type="record">`
  - `+ <nlist name="mouse" type="record">`
  - `+ <list name="CPUs">`
  - `+ <list name="harddisks">`
  - `+ <nlist name="network">`
  - `+ <nlist name="memory">`
- `</nlist>`



## HLD /hardware branch

```
define type HARDWARE = {
 CPUs : CPUS
 harddisks : HARDDISKS
 tape : DEVICE
 dvd : DEVICE
 cdrom : DEVICE
 keyboard : DEVICE
 mouse : DEVICE
 network : NETWORK_I
 memory: MEMORY
};
type "/hardware" = HARDWARE;
```





## XML /hardware/harddisks branch

- `<list name="harddisks">`
- `<nlist derivation="node_profile" type="record">`
  - `<string name="vendor">IBM</string>`
  - `<string name="model">DTLA-307045</string>`
  - `<string name="serial_number">1234560</string>`
  - `<string name="sys_name">hda</string>`
  - `<string name="interface_type">IDE</string>`
  - `<long name="size">43979</long>`
  - `<long name="cylinders">5606</long>`
  - `<long name="heads">255</long>`
  - `<long name="sectors">63</long>`
- `</nlist>`
- `<nlist type="record">`
- `</list>`



## HLD /hardware/harddisks branch

### ❖ Validation:

```
define type HARDDISK = {
 sys_name : string
 interface_type : string
 vendor : string
 model : string
 serial_number : string
 size : long
 cylinders : long
 heads : long
 sectors : long
};
define type HARDDISKS = HARDDISK[];
```

### ❖ Filling:

```
structure template disk_ibm_dtla_307045;
"interface_type" = "IDE";
"vendor" = "IBM";
"model" = "DTLA-307045";
"serial_number" = "1234560";
"size" = 43979;
"cylinders" = 5606;
"heads" = 255;
"sectors" = 63;

"/hardware/harddisks/0/sys_name"="hda";
```



## XML /system branch

- `<nlist name="system" derivation="testbed001">`
  - `<string name="hostname">testbed001</string>`
  - `<string name="architecture">i386_rh62</string>`
  - `<string name="localdomain">cern.ch</string>`
  - `+ <nlist name="pam" type="table">`
  - `+ <nlist name="nsswitch" type="record">`
  - `+ <list name="inetd">`
  - `+ <nlist name="partitions" type="table">`
  - `+ <list name="filesystems">`
  - `+ <list name="network_interfaces">`
  - `+ <nlist name="dns" type="record">`
  - `+ <list name="services">`
  - `+ <nlist name="time">`
- `</nlist>`



## HLD /system branch

```
- define type SYSTEM = {
 partitions : PARTITIONS
 filesystems : FILESYSTEMS
 network_interfaces : NETWORKINTERFACES
 dns : DNS
 services : SERVICES
 time : TIME
 pam: PAM_CONFIGURATION
 nsswitch : NSSWITCH
 inetd : INETD
 localdomain : string
 architecture : string
 hostname : string
};
type "/system" = SYSTEM;
```



## XML /system/partitions branch

- `<nlist name="partitions" type="table">`
  - `<nlist name="hda1" type="record">`
    - `<long name="size">38859</long>`
    - `<string name="partition_type">primary</string>`
    - `<string name="id">linux</string>`
  - `</nlist>`
  - `<nlist name="hda2" type="record">`
    - `<long name="size">0</long>`
    - `<string name="partition_type">extended</string>`
    - `<string name="id">extended</string>`
  - `</nlist>`
  - `+ <nlist name="hda5" type="record">`
  - `+ <nlist name="hda6" type="record">`
  - `+ <nlist name="hda7" type="record">`
  - `+ <nlist name="hda8" type="record">`
  - `+ <nlist name="hdc1" type="record">`
  - `+ <nlist name="hdc2" type="record">`
- `</nlist>`



## HLD /system/partitions branch

- **Validation:**

```
define type PARTITION = {
 size : long
 partition_type: string
 id : string
};
```

```
define type PARTITIONS = PARTITION{};
```

- **Filling:**

```
"/system/partitions" = nlist(
 "hda1", nlist("size", 38859, "partition_type", "primary", "id", "linux"),
 "hda2", nlist("size", 0, "partition_type", "extended", "id", "extended"));
```



## XML /system/nsswitch branch

```
- <nlist name="nsswitch" type="record">
 - _ <list name="aliases">
 - <string>files</string>
 - <string>nisplus</string>
 - </list>
 - + <list name="services">
 - + <list name="passwd">
 - + <list name="shadow">
 - + <list name="group">
 - + <list name="hosts">
 - - <list name="bootparams">
 - <string>nisplus</string>
 - <string>[NOTFOUND=return]</string>
 - <string>files</string> </list>
 - + <list name="ethers">
 - + <list name="netmasks">
 - + <list name="networks">
 - + <list name="protocols">
 - + <list name="rpc">
 - + <list name="netgroup">
 - + <list name="publickey">
 - + <list name="automount">
- </nlist>
```



## HLD /system/nsswitch branch (validation)

- ❖ define type **NSSWITCH\_ELEMENT** = string with  
match(self, '^ (nisplus|nis\+|nis|yp|dns|files|db|compat|hesiod)\$') ||  
match(self, '^ \[!?(success|notfound|unavail|tryagain)  
=(return|continue)\]\$');
- ❖ define type **NSSWITCH\_SPEC** = **NSSWITCH\_ELEMENT**[1..] with  
match(self[0], '^ (nisplus|nis+|nis|yp|dns|files|db|compat|hesiod)\$');
- ❖ define type **NSSWITCH** = {  
passwd : **NSSWITCH\_SPEC**  
shadow : **NSSWITCH\_SPEC**  
group : **NSSWITCH\_SPEC**  
hosts : **NSSWITCH\_SPEC**  
bootparams : **NSSWITCH\_SPEC**  
ethers : **NSSWITCH\_SPEC**  
netmasks : **NSSWITCH\_SPEC**  
networks : **NSSWITCH\_SPEC**  
protocols : **NSSWITCH\_SPEC**  
rpc : **NSSWITCH\_SPEC**  
services : **NSSWITCH\_SPEC**  
netgroup : **NSSWITCH\_SPEC**  
publickey : **NSSWITCH\_SPEC**  
automount : **NSSWITCH\_SPEC**  
aliases : **NSSWITCH\_SPEC**  
};





## HLD /system/nsswitch branch (filling)

```
"/system/nsswitch/passwd" = list("files", "nisplus", "nis");
"/system/nsswitch/shadow" = list("files", "nisplus", "nis");
"/system/nsswitch/group" = list("files", "nisplus", "nis");
"/system/nsswitch/hosts" = list("files", "nisplus", "nis", "dns");
"/system/nsswitch/bootparams" = list("nisplus", "[NOTFOUND=return]", "files");
"/system/nsswitch/ethers" = list("files");
"/system/nsswitch/netmasks" = list("files");
"/system/nsswitch/networks" = list("files");
"/system/nsswitch/protocols" = list("files");
"/system/nsswitch/rpc" = list("files");
"/system/nsswitch/services" = list("files");
"/system/nsswitch/netgroup" = list("nisplus");
"/system/nsswitch/publickey" = list("nisplus");
"/system/nsswitch/automount" = list("files", "nisplus");
"/system/nsswitch/aliases" = list("files", "nisplus");
```



## XML /sw branch

- `<nlist name="sw">`
  - `+ <nlist name="packages" type="table">`
  - `+ <nlist name="monitoring" type="record">`
- `</nlist>`



## HLD /sw branch

```
define type SW = {
 packages : RPM_PACKAGE}
 monitoring : MSA
};
type "/sw" = SW;
```



## XML /sw/packages branch

```
- <nlist name="sw" derivation="rpm_profile">
 - _ <nlist name="packages" type="table">
 - _ <nlist name="edg_lcas" type="record">
 . <string name="version">1.0.0-1</string>
 . <string name="architecture">i386</string>
 . _ <nlist name="repositories" type="table">
 - <nlist name="testbed" type="record">
 - <string name="url">http://datagrid.in2p3.fr/</string>
 - <string
 name="path">/distribution/datagrid/wp4/gridification/RPMS</string>
 - </nlist>
 . </nlist>
 . </nlist>
 - </nlist>
 - _ <nlist name="fabric_monitoring" type="record">
 - </nlist>
 . </nlist>
```



## HLD /sw/packages branch (validation)

```
define type RPM_REPOSITORY= {
 url : string
 path : string
};
```

```
define type RPM_PACKAGE = {
 version : string
 architecture : string
 flags ? string[]
 repositories: RPM_REPOSITORY}
};
```



## HLD /sw/packages branch (filling)

```
RPM edg-lcas-1.0.0-1.i386.rpm
structure template edg_lcas_rep;
"url" = "http://datagrid.in2p3.fr/";
"path" = "/distribution/datagrid/wp4/gridification/RPMS";

structure template edg_lcas;
"version" = "1.0.0-1";
"architecture" = "i386";
"repositories" = nlist(
 "testbed", create("edg_lcas_rep"));

/sw/packages" = nlist("edg_lcas", create("edg_lcas"));
```



**Example 1:** Add a new package to the list of RPMs to be installed in a node (1)

- ✓ Repository structure maintained by the "product owners":

`/sw/known_repositories/Arep/url`

`/owner`

`/extras`

`/directories/dir_name_X/path`

`/platform`

`/packages/pck_a/name`

`/version`

`/architecture`

`/dir_name_Y /path`

`/platform`

`/packages/pck_b/name`

`/version`

`/architecture`



**Example 1:** Add a new package to the list of RPMs to be installed in a node (2)

✓ RPM information to be included in the node profile:

/sw/used\_repositories/0/rep\_name\_A =

    /1/rep\_name\_B =

/sw/packages/package\_name/version =

    /arch =

    /flags =

    / repositories/rep1/url =

        /path =

    /rep2/url

        /path

Different choices to fill this structure,  
depending on the desired level of validation





**Example 1:** Add a new package to the list of RPMs to be installed in a node (3)

```
/sw/used_repositories/0/rep_name_A =
 /1/rep_name_B =
/sw/packages/package_name/version =
 /arch =
 /flags =
/ repositories/rep1/url =
 /path =
/rep2/url =
 /path =
```

This will be filled by the user

3 options

- |                               |                                                          |                                                                                                          |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1                             | 2                                                        | 3                                                                                                        |
| Leave empty<br>Don't validate | Validate that the RPMs exist<br>In the used_repositories | Write a function to fill automatically<br>the optional part taking data from<br>the repository structure |



## Example 2: Add a new node to an existing cluster

✓ Configuration for the node:

```
testbed001 node profile
```

```
object template testbed001;
```

```
include standard node profile
```

```
include node_profile;
```

```
modify specific node information
```

```
"/system/network_interfaces/0/ip_address" = "137.138.30.48";
```

```
"/system/hostname" = "testbed001";
```



### Example 3: Add a new disk to an existing node

1. Check that the template for the type of disk to be added already exist.
2. If it does not exist, create the new template :

```
structure template disk_ibm_dtla_307045;
```

```
include disk;
```

```
"interface_type" = "IDE";
```

```
"vendor" = "IBM";
```

```
"model" = "DTLA-307045";
```

```
"serial_number" = "1234560";
```

```
"size" = 43979;
```

```
"cylinders" = 5606;
```

```
"heads" = 255;
```

```
"sectors" = 63;
```

3. If it exist, e.g. disk\_ibm\_dtla\_307045, modify the machine profile to add it:

```
object template testbed001;
```

```
"/hardware/harddisks" = merge(value("/hardware/harddisks"),
 create("disk_ibm_dtla_307045"));
```

```
"/hardware/harddisks/1/sys_name"="hdc";
```



## Example 4: X11 configuration

X11 configuration includes ~100 compulsory config parameters + ~50 optional ones, with many different types.

Different ways of including it into the global schema:

1) Total abstraction : Incorporate the whole X configuration information into the schema:

```
"/system/X/files/font_path" = ...
```

2) No abstraction / Just add a "reference" to an external file containing the desired configuration, which will not be included inline in the HLD, it is taken from the chosen server.

3) Mixed solution  
Reference to external file with standard configuration + 10% updates

```
Type "/system/X" = fetch;
```

```
"/system/X" = http://cern.ch/standard_cfg/X/XF86Config-4
```

```
"/system/X" = http://cern.ch/standard_cfg/X/XF86Config-4
```

```
"/system/X/files/font_path" = "tytytyt";
```

- Flexible
- Validation where needed



## Common Information Model (CIM) Standards:

- ✓ It's a model for describing overall management information in a network enterprise environment.
- ✓ It is an approach to the management of systems and networks that applies the basic structuring and conceptualization techniques of the object-oriented paradigm.
- ✓ It is divided into a *Core model*, *Common model* and *extended schemas*
- ✓ Main components:
  - ✓ *Schema* is a group of classes with a single owner. Schemas are used for administration and class naming. Class names must be unique within their owning schemas.
  - ✓ *Class* is a collection of instances that support the same type: that is, the same properties and methods.
  - ✓ A *Property* is a value used to characterize instances of a Class.
  - ✓ *Method*
  - ✓ *Trigger* is a recognition of a state change (such as create, delete, update, or access) of a Class instance
  - ✓ *Indication*, *Association*, *References*, *Qualifiers*,



## CIM Device specification:

- ✓ Very wide device concept: It includes Cooling, Power, & Battery devices...
- ✓ Mixture of what we classify as **monitoring** and **configuration** information all over the schema:
  - ✓ **Memory:**
    - ✓ **ErrorInfo:** List of more recent errors
    - ✓ **CorrectableError:** Boolean indicating that the most recent error was "correctable."



## DMTF EXAMPLES: CIM device schema

```
define type CONTROLLER = {
 ProtocolSupported : string
 MaxNumberControlled : long
};
define type SCSI_CONTROLLER = {
 include CONTROLLER
 MaxDataWidth : long
 MaxTransferRate : long
};
define type VIDEO_CONTROLLER = {
 include CONTROLLER
 ProtocolSupported : string
 VideoMemoryType : string
 NumberOfVideoPages : long
 MaxMemorySupported : long
 CurrentBitsPerPixel : long
 CurrentHorizontalResolution : long
 CurrentVerticalResolution : long
 MaxRefreshRate : long
 MinRefreshRate : long
 CurrentRefreshRate : long
 CurrentScanMode : string
 CurrentNumberOfRows : long
 CurrentNumberOfColumns : long
 CurrentNumberOfColors : long
};
```