Cross Community Collaboration

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Problem Statement

• Unification of the Brown & Green zones
• LCM of xNFs / applications Seamlessly
• Sharable Persistency layer (for Heterogenous workloads)
• Service Assurance
• Easy to Integrate/ Extend /Audit
ORAN Architecture
How Nephio Works

Utilizing Kubernetes as the automation control plane at each layer of the stack simplifies the overall automation and enables declarative management with active reconciliation for the entire stack.

We can broadly think of three layers in the stack,
1) cloud infrastructure,
2) workload (network function) resources, and
3) workload (network function) configuration.

Nephio is establishing open, extensible Kubernetes Custom Resource Definition (CRD) models for each layer of the stack, in conformance to the **3GPP & O-RAN standard**.
Possible Integrations

- SDNC Adapter
- VNF/CNF Adapter
- SO
- SDNR
- O-Cloud
- O2 IMS
- O2 DMS
- SMOS Communication
- IMS
- DMS
- Intent

Possible Integrations of IMS, DMS, Cloud Infrastructure, Cloud-Domain Automation, E2E Orchestration.
Where We are
NF Orchestration Using SMO (Architecture) - Integrations

O-RAN Network Function Deployment Instantiation Using SMO

End to End Service Orchestration and Slice Management

SMO Services

- RAN Domain Management
- Communication
- Service Orchestration
- Service Assurance
- RAN Analytics
- AI/ML Workflows
- Software Packaging Onboarding
- Topology and Inventory

OSC INF Central Cloud (Nephio Management Cluster)
- FOCON
- Nephio NBI Adapter
- O2dms

OSC INF Edge Cloud (Nephio Workload Cluster)
- IMS
- DMS
- OSC SMO (Nephio Management Cluster)
- NFO
- Non-RT RIC <xApp>
- RAN NF OAM FM|CM|PM
- OSC Near-RT RIC <xApp>
- OAI-DU -RF-SIM RU-

O-Cloud

- O2dms (k8s profile)

Physical Network

K8s Operators

OSC Software (Will discuss)

Target CNF for deployment

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Further Details of OSC I and Nephio 3 releases
Scope and Priority

1. Deployment of OAI-DU, OAI-CU-CP/UP
   a. (Current OSC mechanism) Via Helm Charts
   b. (Extension of Nephio R2) Via KPT packages. Prerequisite: We will require Nephio RAN K8s operator to be deployed by FOCOM. Re-use of R2 RAN packages.

2. **Stretch**: Delete RAN NF Deployment

3. Update and modify of NF Deployment is not in scope

4. Timeline: Targeted for O-RAN J release and Nephio R3
Needed Software Development

1. Development of NFO
   a. Development of NFO service logic adapted to deployment of OSC K8S profile (NFs packaged as Helm Charts) **NOTE**: No Nephio enablers will be used at this step
   b. Adapting the NFO service logic to deploy RAN NFs via Nephio Enablers (Nephio O-RAN CR).
   c. NFO source code will be hosted in OSC Gerrit

2. Development and re-use of DMS, OSC Components (SMO, INF(IMS & DMS), OAM, RIC, Integration)

3. Re-use of helm-charts of OAI (DU, CU-C/U) - OSC

4. Re-Use of the Nephio RAN K8s Operator and KPT Packages
Component Architecture
NFO in Nephio Management Cluster

OSC INF Central Cloud (Nephio Management Cluster)
- IMS
  - monitor
  - inventory
  - provision
  - lcm

OSC INF Edge Cloud (Nephio Workload Cluster)
- DMS
- ConfigSync

O-Cloud
- OAI- DU - RF - SIM
- OAI- CU-UP
- OAI- CU-CP

K8s Operators
Target CNF for deployment
NF Orchestration use case: Gap Analysis and Potential Enhancements for R4

R3 Assumptions

- FOCOM doesn’t have inventory state of the Physica/Virtual or K8S Cluster resources
- Currently, the use case assumes O-Cloud/IMS registers with the FOCOM, and FOCOM queries the O-Cloud/IMS for DMS-id (kubeconfig) information
- There is no assumption on prior execution of O-Cloud Registration or Create Cluster Use cases

R4 Enhancements

- O-Cloud Resource Inventory DB in FOCOM, after executing the O-Cloud Register use case
- O-Cloud Cluster information in the FOCOM DB, after executing the O-Cloud Create Cluster use case
- NF Orchestration CR will trigger DMS to query FOCOM Inventory DB for the Cluster information based on the Site/Location intent in the CR
Appendix
Sequence Flow Diagram (APIs in the Appendix Section)

Dependencies and O-RAN Deployment Flow

- **SMO Services**
  - Nephio Management Cluster
    - FOCOM
    - NFO
  - API-1 (O2 INF Registration with SMO)
  - API-2 (SMO subscribes to the inventory Updates from O-Cloud)
  - API-3 (SMO queries the O-Cloud for DMS ID)
  - API-4 (Instantiate NF Deployment)
  - API-5 (Delete Deployment)

- **O-Cloud**
  - (IMS)
  - (DMS)
  - API-5 (Create Deployment)
E2E test environment (Nephio)

1. Prerequisite
   a. SMO (FOCOM, NFO) and OSC components are deployed on the management cluster.
   b. FOCOM creates the K8s edge cloud (workload cluster) and DMS(k8S api) is brought up in this process
   c. FOCOM installs the necessary CRDs and Operators required to handle the NF Deployment in the desired K8S Cluster
   d. Cluster registration (DMS will register its information in IMS DB)
   e. Nf deployment Kpt Packages/Helm-charts or other dependent artifacts should be available and accessible via NFO

2. Deployment:
   a. NFO should fetch DMS information
   b. NFO will receive the request for CU-CP deployment and will bring up CU-CP
   c. NFO will receive the request for CU-UP and DU deployment and will bring up CU-UP and DU
   d. We will use the KPT packages based deployment if and when ready. (Nephio)

3. This will be first implemented in OSC and then ported to the Nephio.

4. Integration test
   a. The trigger to deploy would be initiated as a Nephio O-RAN CR/REST call to NFO (for the time being).
   b. Stretch: Deploy NR-UE (Emulated package used in Nephio R2 and can be deployed via NFO because they are expressed as helm-charts) and make an end to end call
API 1: O2 Registration, Provisioning INF platform with SMO endpoint configuration

- Configure INF platform with SMO endpoint address. This provisioning of INF O2 service will make a request from INF O2 service to SMO, that make SMO know the O2 service is working.

It needs SMO to have an API like "http(s)://SMO_HOST:SMO_PORT/registration", which can accept JSON format data.

curl -X 'POST' \
'http://'$IP)':30205/provision/v1/smo-endpoint' \
-H 'accept: application/json' \
-H 'Content-Type: application/json' \
-d '{
  "endpoint": "http://<SMO_HOST>:<SMO_PORT>/registration"
}'
API Details/Design

API-2: O2 Inventory Subscription, create subscription in the INF O2 IMS

curl -X 'POST' \ "http://${IP}:30205/o2ims_infrastructureInventory/v1/subscriptions" \ -H 'accept: application/json' \ -H 'Content-Type: application/json' \ -d '{ "callback": "http://SMO/address/to/callback", "consumerSubscriptionId": "<ConsumerIdHelpSmoToIdentify>" , "filter": "<ResourceTypeNameSplitByComma,EmptyToGetAll>"}'
API 3: Orchestrate CNF in helm chart, get the DMS Id in the INF O2 service

curl --location --request GET
"http://${IP}:30205/o2ims_infrastructureInventory/v1/deploymentManagers"

export dmsId=`curl --location --request GET
"http://${OAM_IP}:30205/o2ims_infrastructureInventory/v1/deploymentManagers"
2>/dev/null | jq .[].deploymentManagerId | xargs echo

echo ${dmsId}
API Details/Design

API 4: Create NfDeploymentDescriptor on the INF O2 DMS

curl --location --request POST "http://${IP}:30205/o2dms/${dmsId}/O2dms_DeploymentLifecycle/NfDeploymentDescriptor" \
--header 'Content-Type: application/json' \
--data-raw '{
  "name": "cfwdescl",
  "description": "demo nf deployment descriptor",
  "artifactRepoUrl": "http://'{NODE_IP}':30330",
  "artifactName": "firewall-host-netdevice",
  "inputParams": {
    "image": {"repository": "ubuntu"},
    "tag": 18.04,
    "pullPolicy": "IfNotPresent",
    "resources": {
      "cpu": 2,
      "memory": "2Gi",
      "hugepage": "0Mi"
    },
    "unprotectedNetPortVpg": "veth11",
    "unprotectedNetPortVfw": "veth12",
    "unprotectedNetCidr": "10.10.1.0/24",
    "unprotectedNetGwIp": "10.10.1.1",
    "protectedNetPortVfw": "veth21",
    "protectedNetPortVsn": "veth22",
    "protectedNetCidr": "10.10.2.0/24",
    "protectedNetGwIp": "10.10.2.1",
    "vfwPrivateIp0": "10.10.1.1",
    "vsnPrivateIp": "10.10.1.1",
    "vfwPrivateIp1": "10.10.2.1",
    "vsnPrivateIp0": "10.10.2.2"
  },
  "outputParams": {"output1": 100}
}'}
API Details/Design

```bash
curl --location --request GET
"http://${OAM_IP}:30205/o2dms/${dmsId}/O2dms_DeploymentLifecycle/NfDeploymentDescriptor"

export descId=` curl
-X 'GET'
"http://${OAM_IP}:30205/o2dms/${dmsId}/O2dms_DeploymentLifecycle/NfDeploymentDescriptor" -H
'accept: application/json' -H 'X-Fields: id' 2>/dev/null | jq .[].id | xargs echo`

echo ${descId} (are these part of API-4?)

API-5: Create NfDeployment on the INF O2 DMS: This will trigger an event inside of the IMS/DMS, and use the K8S
API to create a real pod

```bash
POST "http://${OAM_IP}:30205/o2dms/${dmsId}/O2dms_DeploymentLifecycle/NfDeployment"
\n--header 'Content-Type: application/json' \
--data-raw '{
  "name": "cfw100",
  "description": "demo nf deployment",
  "descriptorId": "${descId}'",
  "parentDeploymentId": ""
}'
```

API Details/Design

API-6: Delete the deployment (Stretch)

```bash
export NfDeploymentId=`curl --location --request GET 
"http://${OAM_IP}:30205/o2dms/${dmsId}/O2dms_DeploymentLifecycle/NfDeployment" 2>/dev/null |
    jq .[].id | xargs echo`

echo ${NfDeploymentId} # Check the exported deployment id

curl --location --request DELETE 
"http://${OAM_IP}:30205/o2dms/${dmsId}/O2dms_DeploymentLifecycle/NfDeployment/${NfDeploymentId}"
```