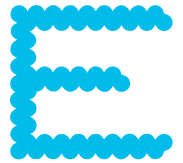
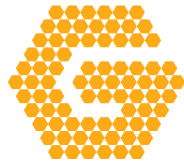
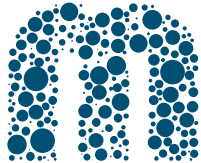


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Cable Access Evolution with Remote PHY

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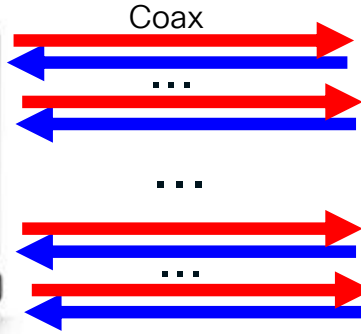
Agenda

- Remote PHY (R-PHY) Motivation & Protocols
- R-PHY Components
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- Summary

Remote PHY Motivation & Protocols

Remote PHY (R-PHY) Evolution

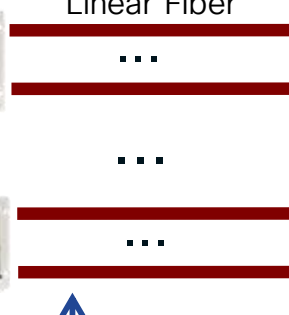
cBR-8 w/o R-PHY
(CCAP)



Prisma II
Analog
Optics



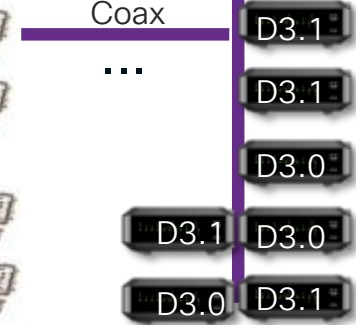
Linear Fiber



GS7000
Node



Coax

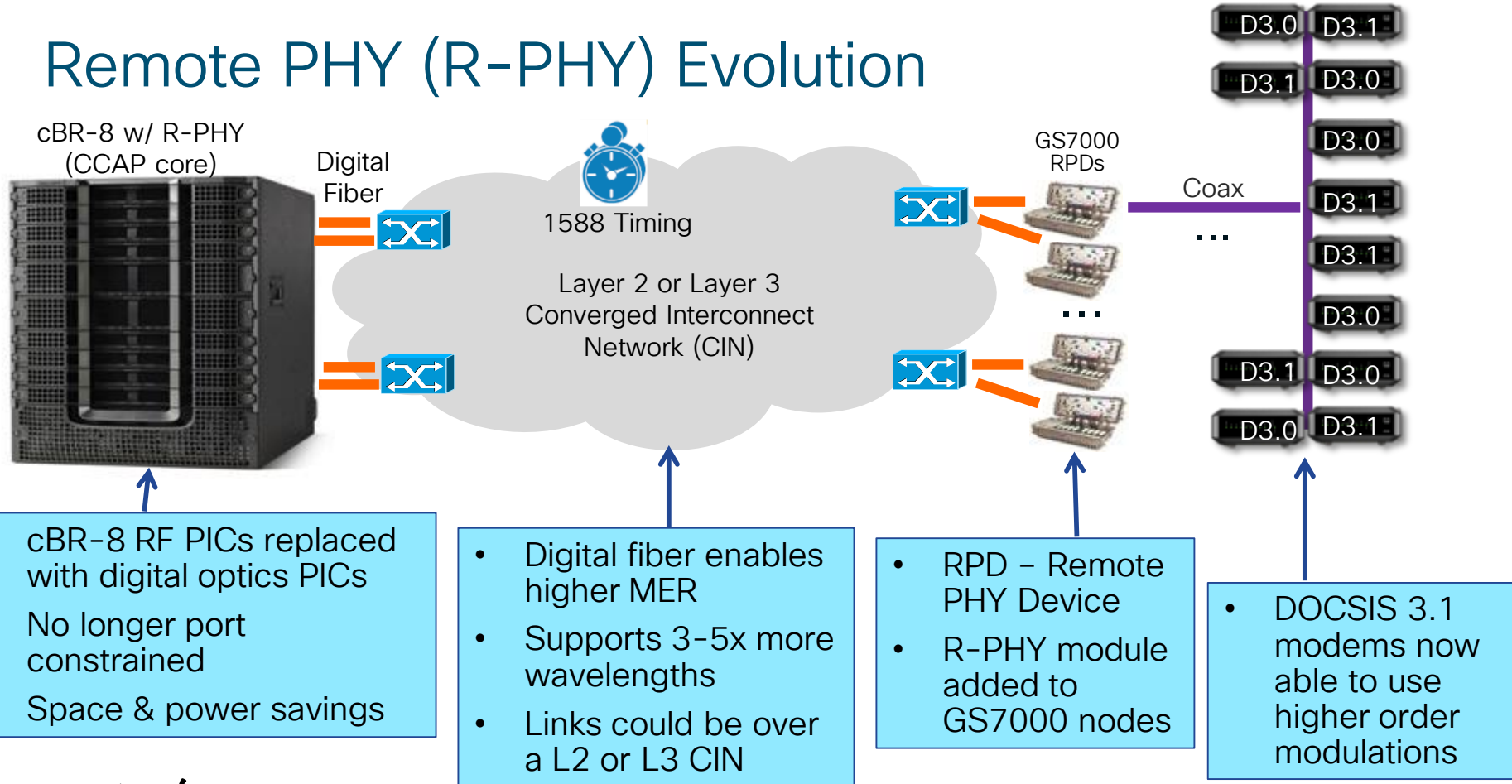


- With HA limited to 56 SGs due to limit of 56 DS ports and 112 US ports

- Linear fiber limits achievable MER (max 35-38 dB)
- Linear fiber distance limited and supports fewer usable wavelengths

- DOCSIS 3.1 modems may be unable to use higher order modulations

Remote PHY (R-PHY) Evolution



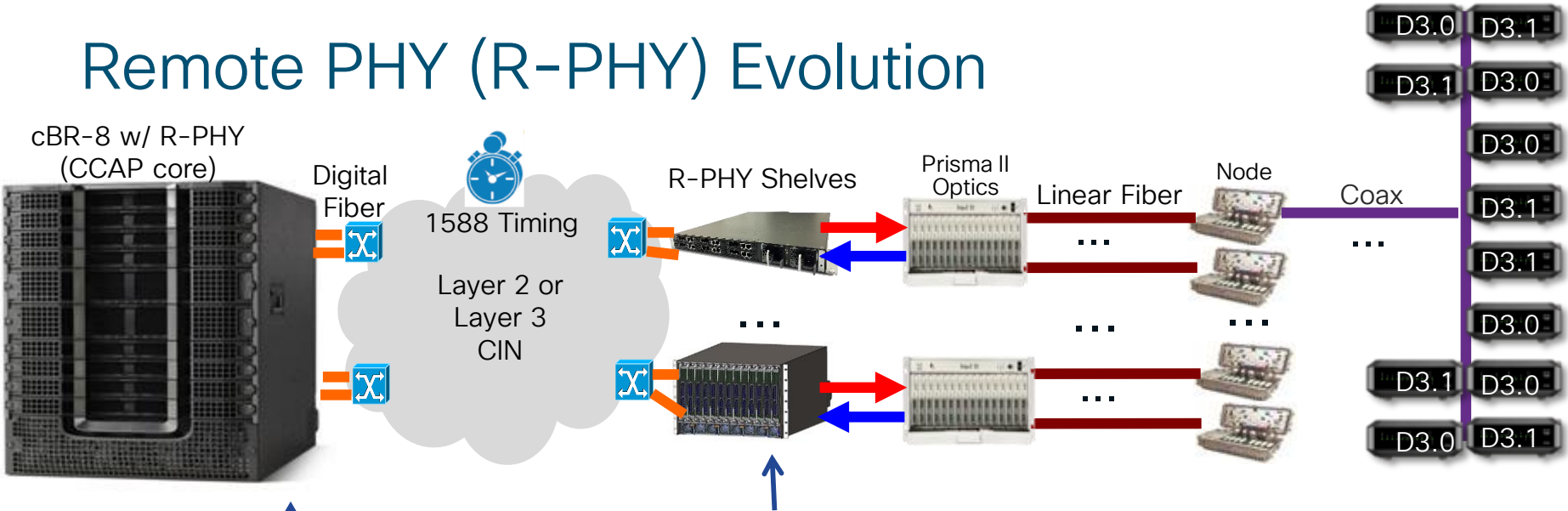
- cBR-8 RF PICs replaced with digital optics PICs
- No longer port constrained
- Space & power savings

- Digital fiber enables higher MER
- Supports 3-5x more wavelengths
- Links could be over a L2 or L3 CIN

- RPD - Remote PHY Device
- R-PHY module added to GS7000 nodes

- DOCSIS 3.1 modems now able to use higher order modulations

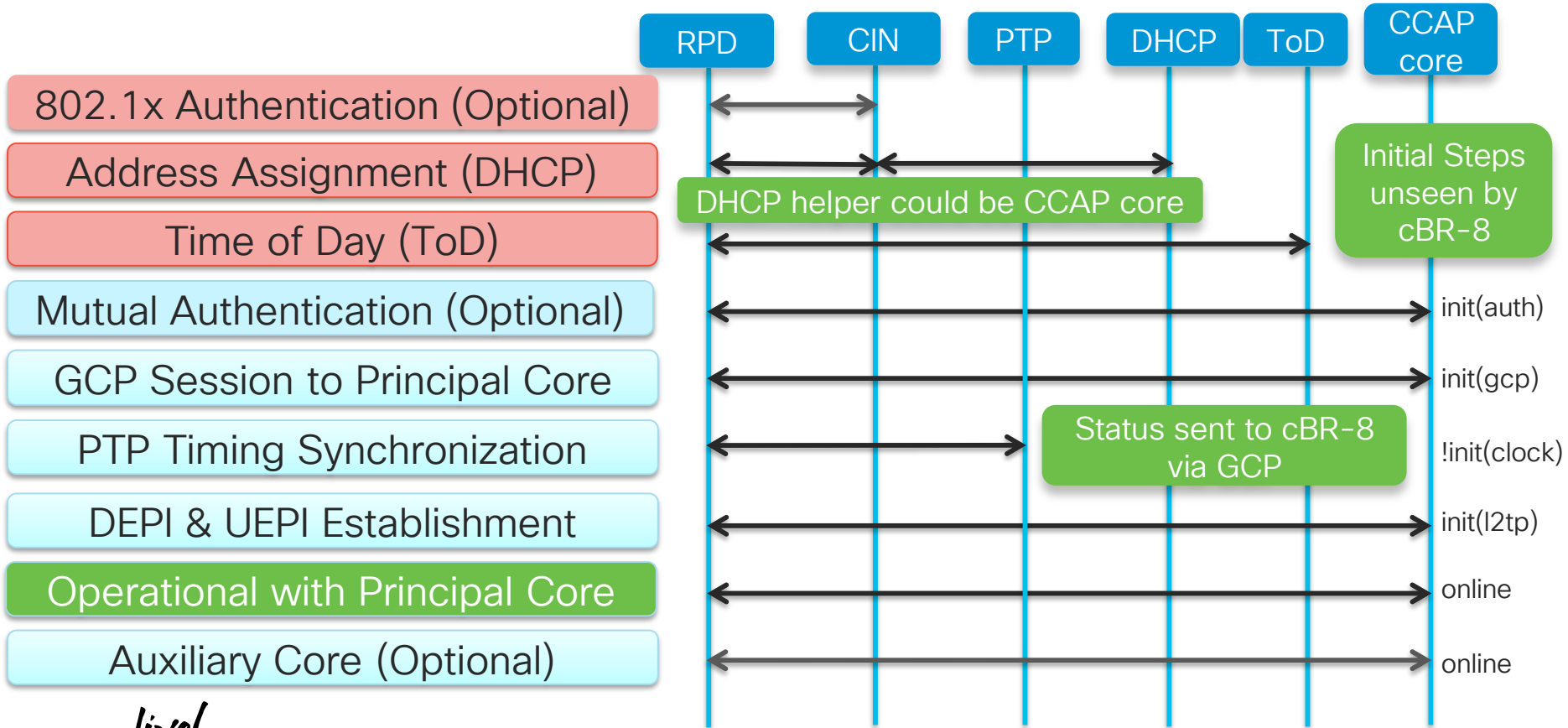
Remote PHY (R-PHY) Evolution



- Digital optics PICs used to enable 2x – 4x SG scaling

- R-PHY Shelf enables cBR-8 port capacity increase while keeping existing outside plant equipment
- Could be used in smaller sites for hub consolidation or co-located with cBR-8 to augment capacity

RPD Initialization



Initial RPD Provisioning Steps – DHCP & ToD

- Each RPD can provision via either IPv4 or IPv6
- During DHCP initialization the RPD learns about CCAP core(s) via a new DHCP option “ccap-cores” (43.61 for IPv4, 17.61 for IPv6) which needs to be configured in the provisioning server (CPNR IPv4 screen shot example below)

List of Option Definitions for *rpd*

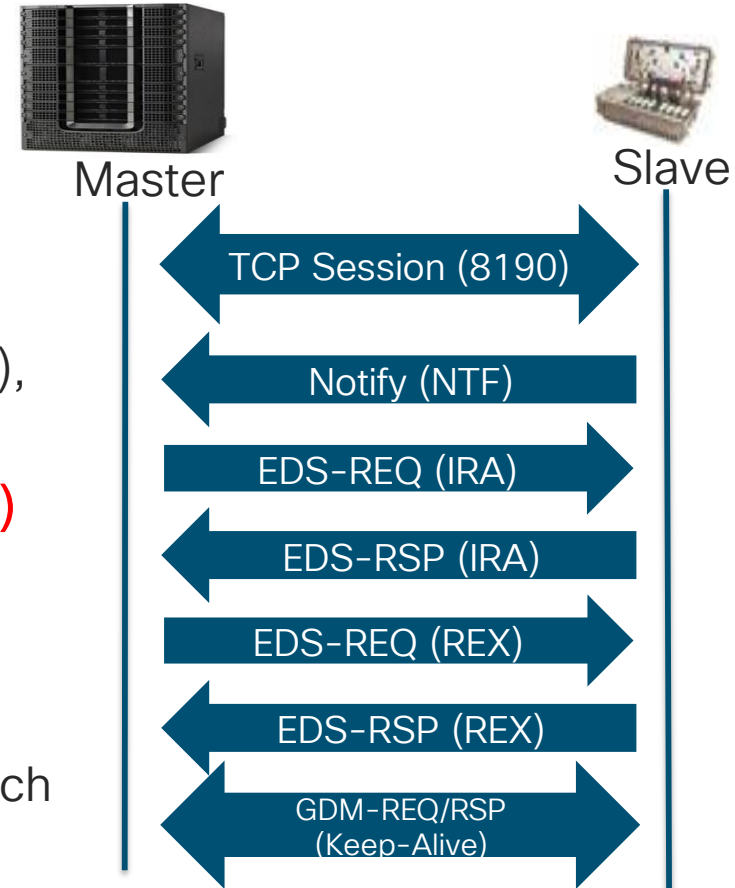
| Number | Name | Type | Repeat |
|--------|---------------|------------|--------|
| 43 | rpd-option-43 | binary | |
| 61 | ccap-cores | IP address | 1+ |

| | | | |
|---------------|----------|-----------------|---|
| rpd-option-43 | (binary) | DPIC 10GE IP(s) | (ccap-cores 61 13.13.0.226,13.13.0.198) |
|---------------|----------|-----------------|---|

- Time of Day (ToD – RFC 868) establishment occurs after DHCP; used for logging timestamps & certificate validation

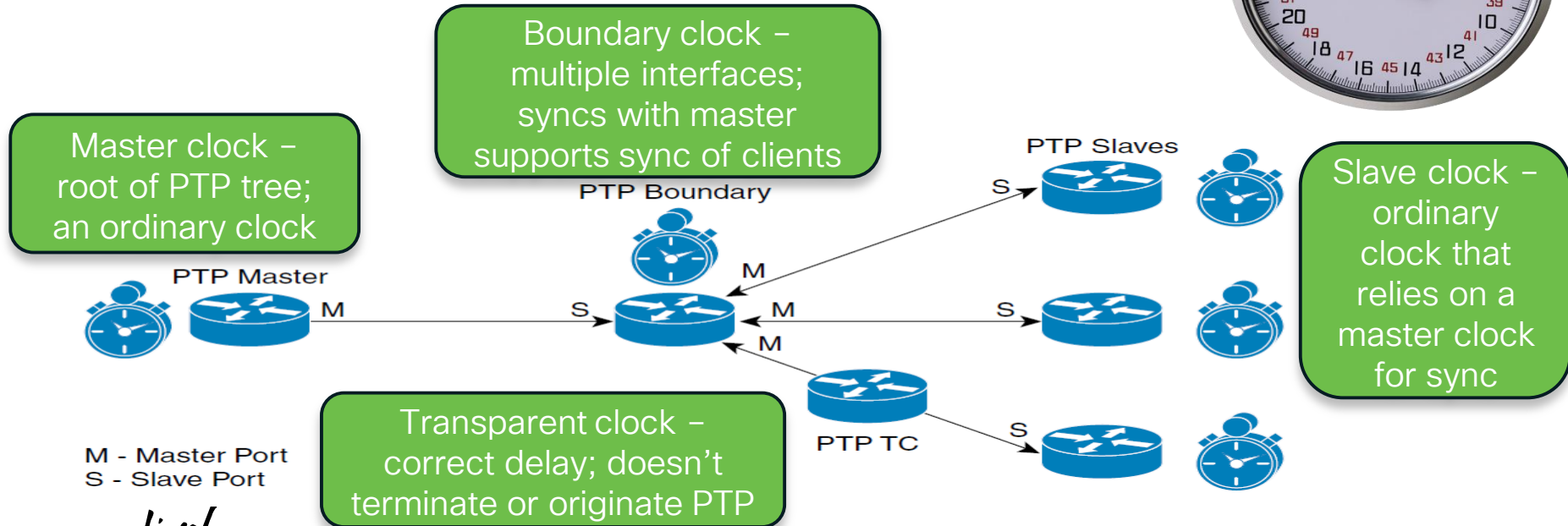
Generic Control Plane (GCP)

- Imitates major functionality existing over a HW bus between CPU and peripheral chip (e.g. read/write registers, power up/down)
- GCP Messages:
Notify, GCP Device Management (GDM - REQ/RSP),
Exchange Data Structure (EDS - REQ/RSP)
- Application of GCP - **R-PHY Control Protocol (RCP)**
- RCP Messages:
Notification (NTF), Identification and Resource
Advertising (IRA), and RCP Object Exchange (REX)
- RCP REX messages consist of a series of TLVs which
can leverage existing specs (e.g. DOCSIS MULPI)

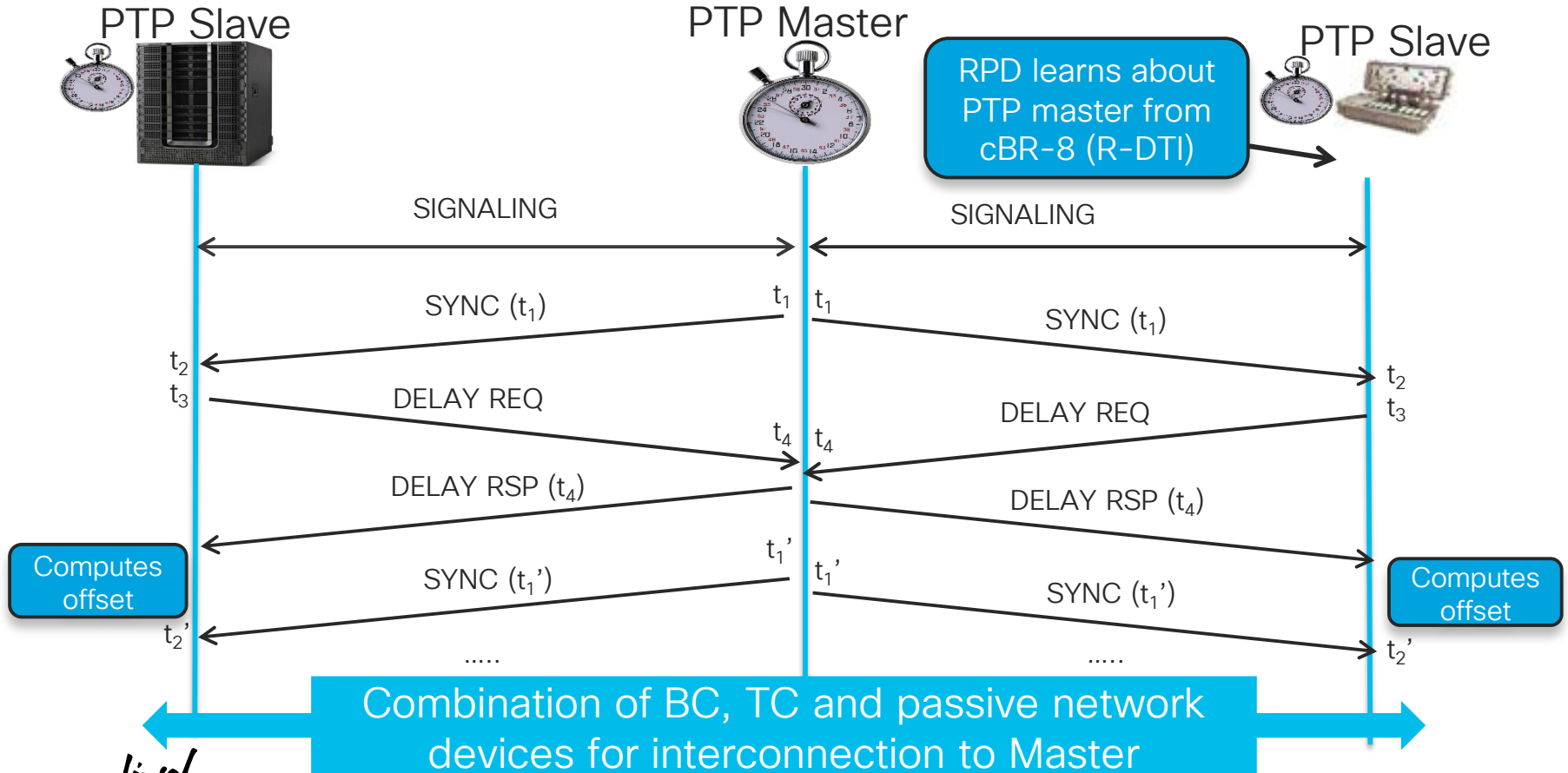


Timing in R-PHY (IEEE 1588 & PTP)

- IEEE 1588 - *Standard for a Precision Clock Synchronization Protocol for Networked Measurement and Control Systems*
- Precision Time Protocol (PTP) is the implementation of 1588



cBR-8 & RPD as PTP Slaves



Downstream External PHY Interface (DEPI)



DS MAC



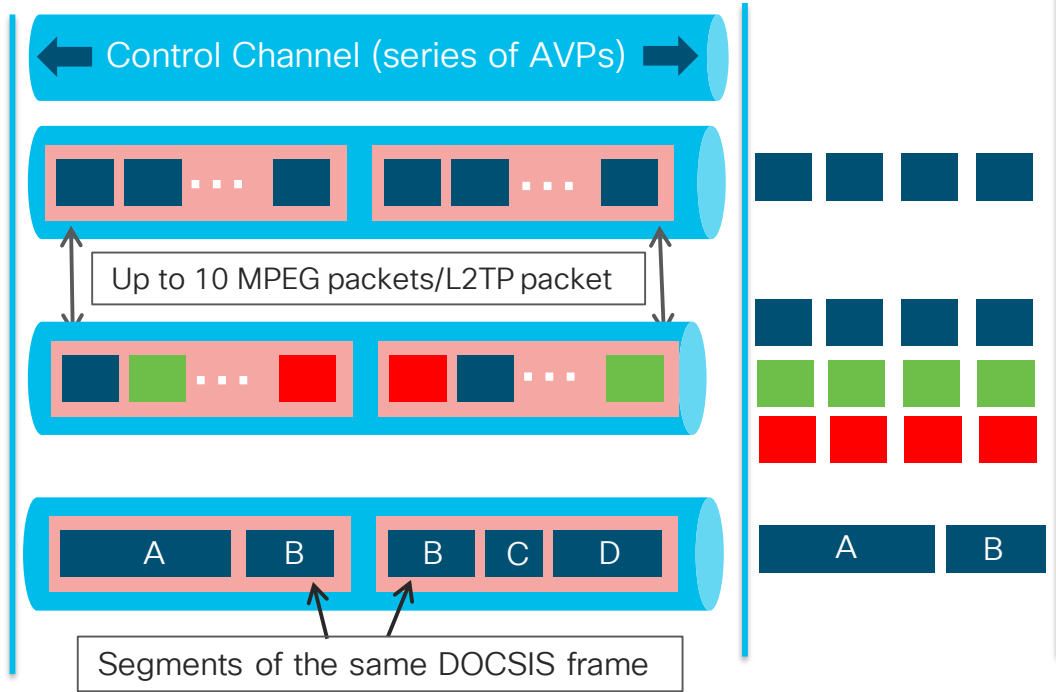
DS PHY



MPEG Packet Transport (MPT) Pseudowire

Multi-Channel MPT (MCM) Pseudowire

Packet Streaming Protocol (PSP) Pseudowire



Can be used for DOCSIS SC-QAM, Video & Out-Of-Band (OOB) channels

Can be used by for DOCSIS SC-QAM & Video channels

Can be used by DOCSIS SC-QAM channels; used for OFDM, OFDM PLC, and UEPI

Upstream External PHY Interface (UEPI)



US MAC

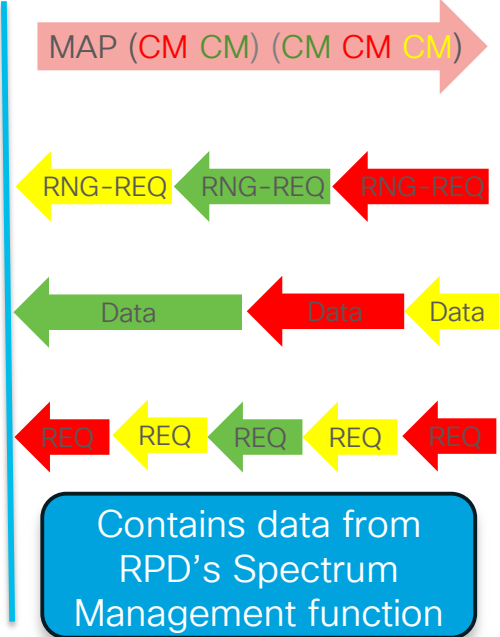
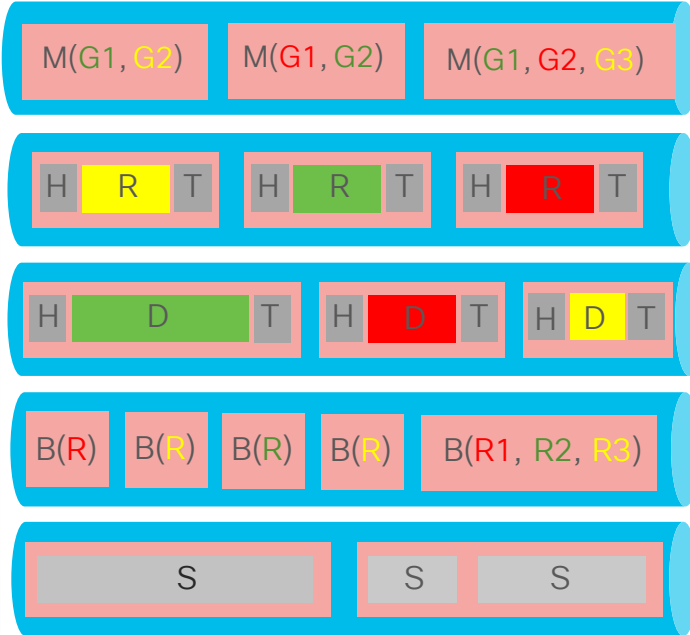


US PHY



UEPI PSP PWs:
 MAP (M)
 RNG-REQ (R)
 DATA (D)
 Unique per US channel

UEPI PSP PWs:
 BW-REQ (B)
 Spec Mgmt (S)
 Can be grouped



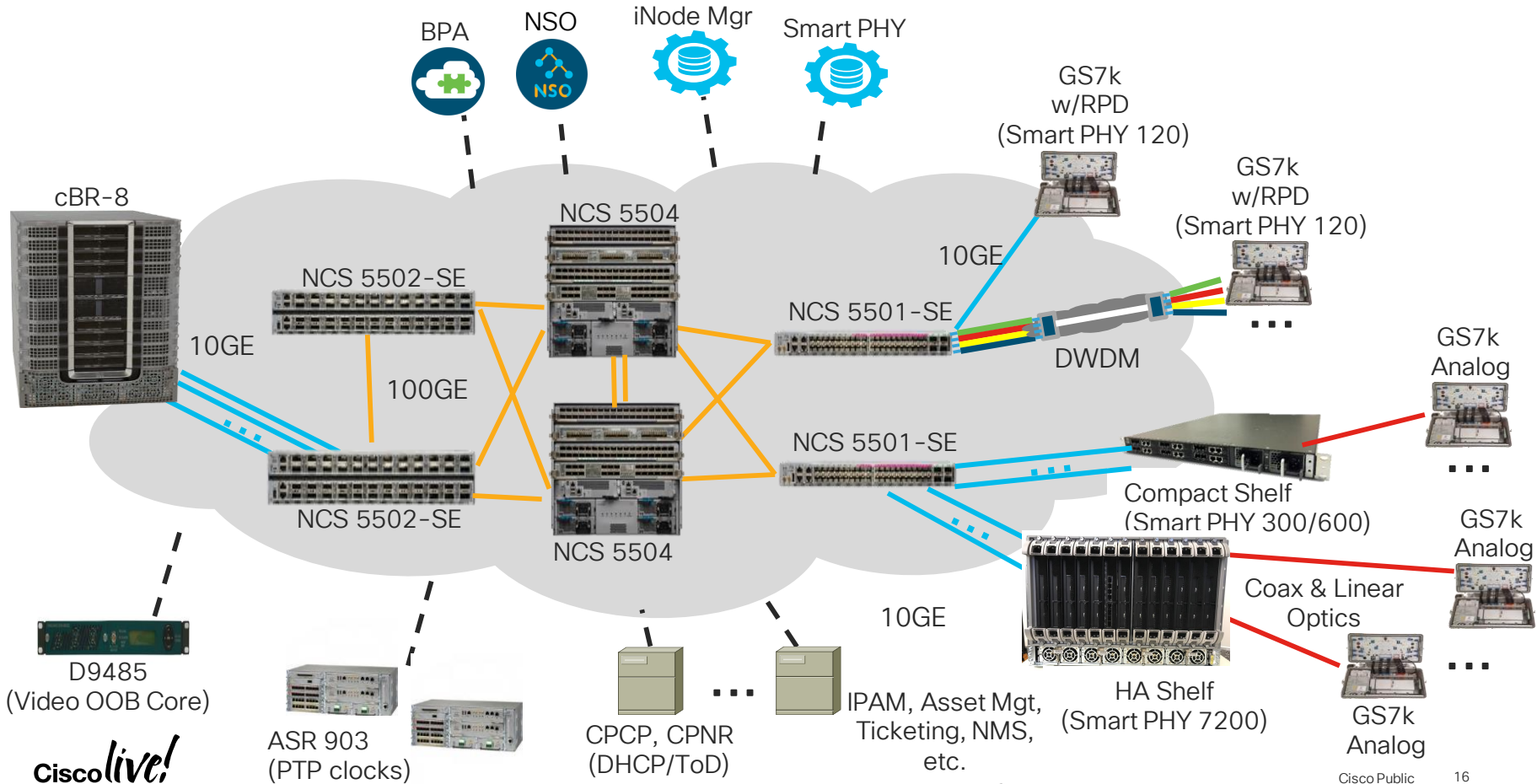
OFDMA also uses a Probe PW and a PNM PW instead of Spectrum Management

OoB also use UEPI PWs

Contains data from RPD's Spectrum Management function

Remote PHY Components

Remote PHY Architecture Components




cBR-8 Remote PHY PIC (Digital PIC)

- DPIC can work with an integrated CCAP Line Card (CBR-CCAP-LC-40G) or R-PHY CCAP LC w/o PHY modules (CBR-CCAP-LC-40G-R)
- DPICs used with active & standby CCAP LCs (no special Protect DPIC)




DPIC
CBR-DPIC-8x10G
8x10G SFP+



PHY Modules
on Line Card
no longer
used

CBR-CCAP-LC-40G

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Air Baffle in
place of PHY
modules to
maintain airflow

CBR-CCAP-LC-40G-R

Second Generation Cable Line Card

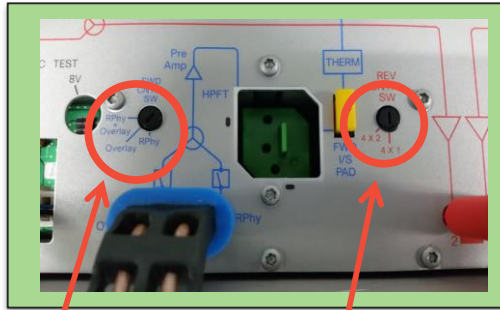
- 2nd Gen R-PHY LC now available (PID - CBR-CCAP-LC-G2-R)
(faster CPU, more memory, more advanced MAC FPGAs)

Cable LC Comparison

| | G1 LC | G2 LC |
|----------------------------|-------|-------|
| # DS SC-QAMs (6 MHz) | 768 | 1024 |
| # US ATDMAs | 128 | 256 |
| # Video QAMs (6 MHz) | 384 | 512 |
| # Video QAMs (> 6 MHz) | 288 | 384 |
| # Active Video Sessions | 5,760 | 7,680 |
| # Encrypted Video Sessions | 1,920 | 2,560 |

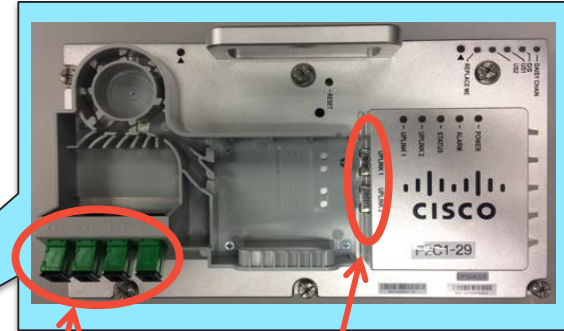
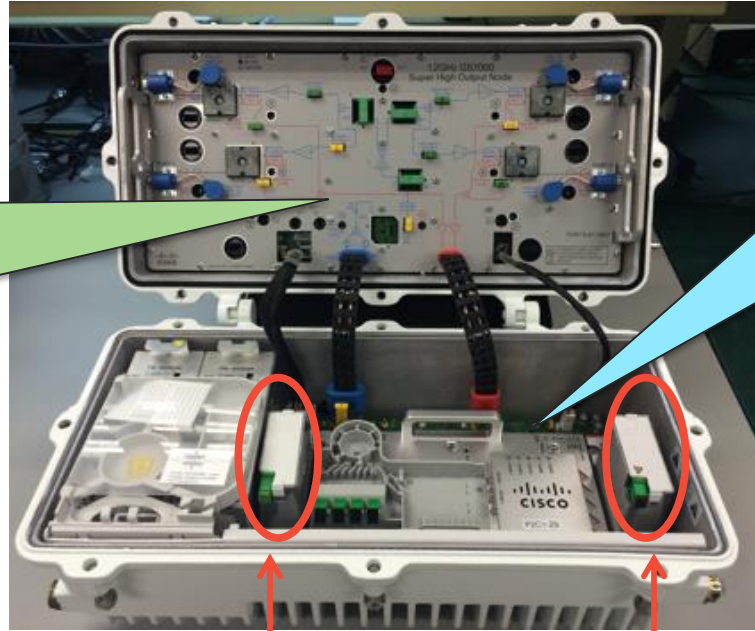
Remote PHY Device in a GS7000 Node

- The RPD occupies the middle 6 slots in the GS7000 lid



Forward Control SW:
RPhy or RPhy +
Overlay options

Reverse Control SW:
4x1 or 4x2 options

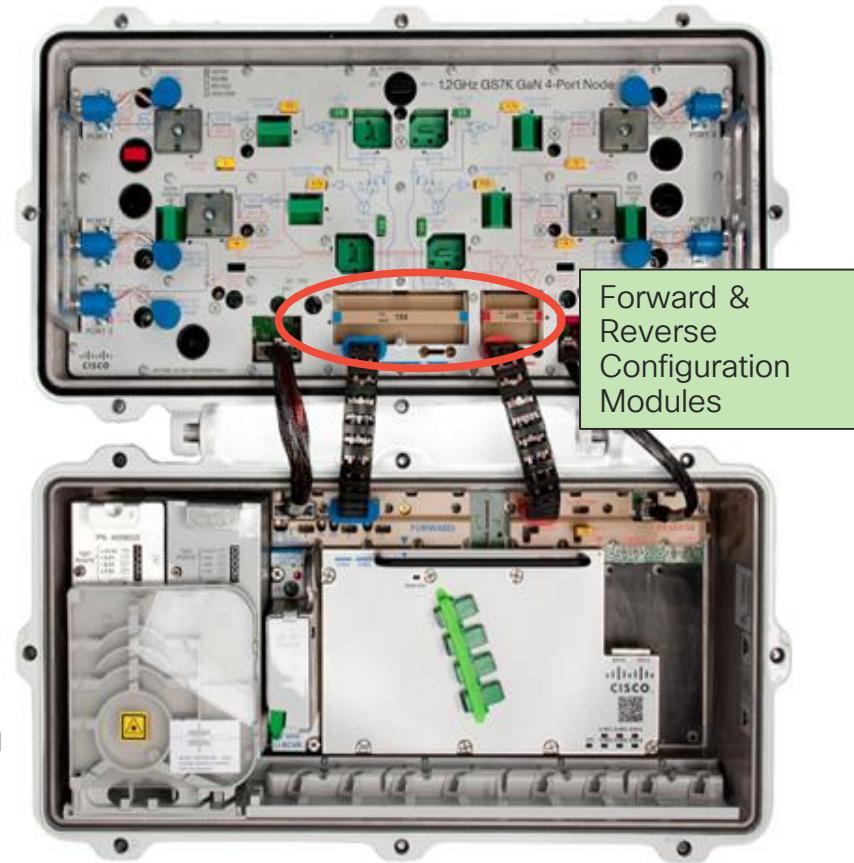


Pair of 10GE interfaces
Adapters for SC connectivity

Ability to include Optical Transmitter & Receiver for Overlay

GS7000 SHO & BAU nodes

- Initial GS7000 node supporting the RPD is the SHO (Super High Output) node capable of supporting fiber deep deployments with longer coaxial runs without amplification
- There is also a BAU (Business As Usual) GS7000 RPD capable node supporting traditional deployments with amplifier cascades
- The BAU node supports different RPD DS & US to RF port mappings depending upon the Forward & Reverse Configuration Modules (FCM/RCM) installed



Nodes & RPDs

Smart PHY 120 (1x2) RPD

- Supports 1 Service Group (1x1 or 1x2)
- Can be used in either SHO or BAU GS7K node
- Full Spectrum D3.1 HW **capable**:
 - 160 SC-QAMs or 6 x 192 OFDMs or a mix on the DS port
 - 12 ATDMA or 2x96 OFMDA or a mix per US port
- Video & OOB support

Smart PHY 220 (2x2) RPD

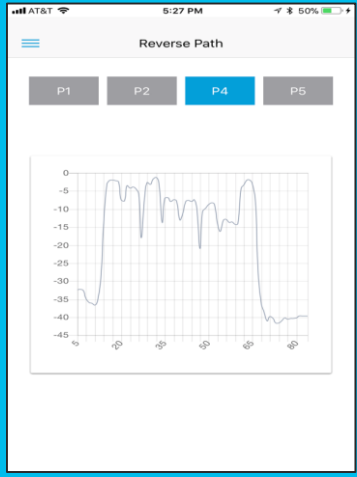
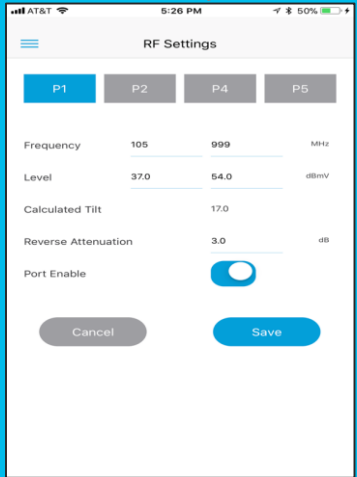
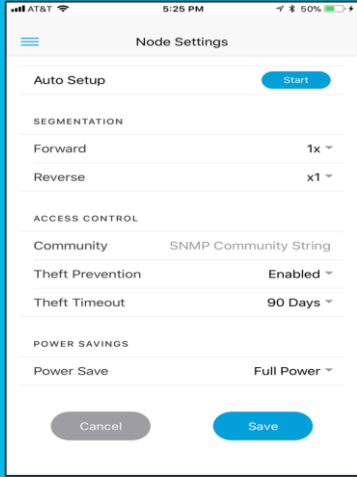
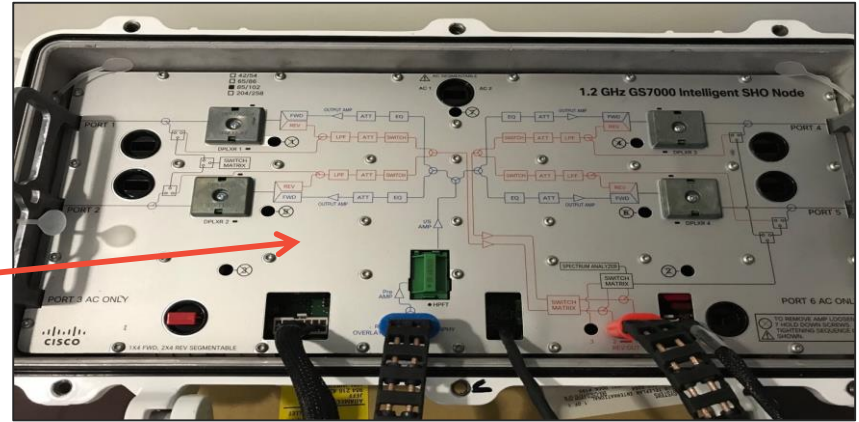
- Supports 2 Service Groups (2x2)
- Can only be used in 2x2 mode in a BAU GS7K node
- Designed for BAU deployment:
 - 384 MHz of narrowcast DS (e.g. 64 Annex B or 48 Annex A/C SC-QAMs) per port
 - 1 OFDM channel up to 192 MHz
 - 384 MHz of broadcast video to both DS ports & OOB support
 - 4 ATDMA/TDMA US per port

GS7000 Intelligent Node

GS7K iNode is a full-featured configurable node capable of touchless provisioning

Streamlined setup (no pads, EQs, etc.)

Configure/Adjust/Measure parameters locally or remotely



iNode Manager

iNode Manager v1.1.1

Overview Node Config Alarms

Nodes: 1

Connectivity Status: 1 Connected, 0 Disconnected, 0 Unknown

SW Version: 02.00.03

Alarms: 4 Critical, 0 Major, 0 Minor

Inventory

Selected 0 / Total 1

Number of Rows: 10 Search...

| <input type="checkbox"/> | Status | iNode IPv4 Address | iNode IPv6 Address | Node Name | MAC Address | Model Number | Software Version | Serial N |
|--------------------------|--------|--------------------|-------------------------------|-----------|-------------------|----------------|------------------|----------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | ✓ | - | 2001:db8:daa:4:7a72:5dff:f... | unknown | 78:72:5d:d9:5c:1d | GS7Ki-HSG-1.2G | 02.00.03 | BC |

iNode Manager

iNode Manager v1.1.1

Overview Node Config Alarms

1

Nodes

Inventory

Forward and Reverse Path

Forward Spectrum Reverse Spectrum

Port1 / Port2 / Port4 / Port5

Amplitude (dBmV)

Frequency (MHz)

Current Average

Frequency: 271 MHz

Current 38.28 dBmV

Average 38.28 dBmV

Port Status: Enabled

Refresh Interval: 30 s

Sample Size(KHz): 1000

Start Frequency (MHz): 102

End Frequency (MHz): 1215

Update

iNode Manager

iNode Manager v1.1.1

Overview Node Config Alarms

1

Nodes

Inventory

+

-

⌵

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Status iNode

✓

Overview Node Config Alarms

iNode : unknown - 2001:db8:daa:4:7a72:5dff:fed9:5c1d

Dashboard

SubModules

Settings

Forward and Reverse Path

Forward Spectrum Reverse Spectrum

Port1 / Port2 / Port4 / Port5

Amplitude (dBmV)

Frequency (MHz)

Frequency: 271 MHz

Current

Average

Overview Node Config Alarms

4 Total Alarms

0 Critical

4 Major

0 Minor

Alarms 0

Number of Rows : 10 Search...

| Time Stamp (Eastern Standard Ti... | IP Address | Node Name | Severity | Alarm Message |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------|----------|--|
| 2018-10-29 02:27:59 PM | 2001:db8:daa:4:7a72:5dff:f... | unknown | Major | PS 2 -6V output voltage is high. Current value is: 0.0 Volts DC. |
| 2018-10-29 02:27:59 PM | 2001:db8:daa:4:7a72:5dff:f... | unknown | Major | PS 2 +24V output voltage is high. Current value is: 0.1 Volts DC. |
| 2018-10-29 02:27:59 PM | 2001:db8:daa:4:7a72:5dff:f... | unknown | Major | PS 2 +5.5V output voltage is high. Current value is: 0.0 Volts DC. |
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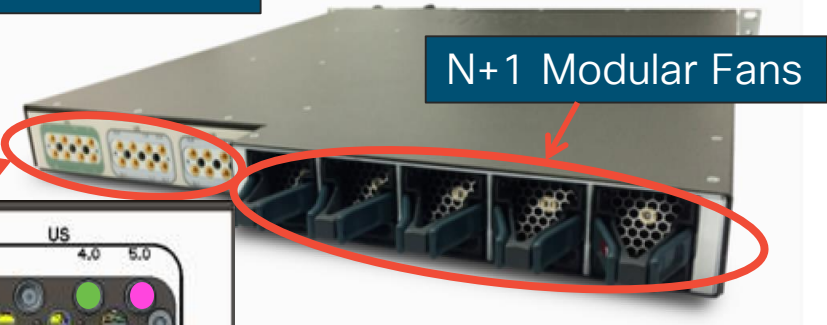
Compact (1RU) Remote PHY Shelf

- Smart PHY 600 – 6 (1x2) SG support
Smart PHY 300 – 3 (1x2) SG support
- Packages 6 (or 3) 1x2 RPDs
- Total Power Budget:
480W max
- Stackable for greater SG
densities



Pair of 10GE Interfaces (SFP+) per RPD

Front



N+1 Modular Fans

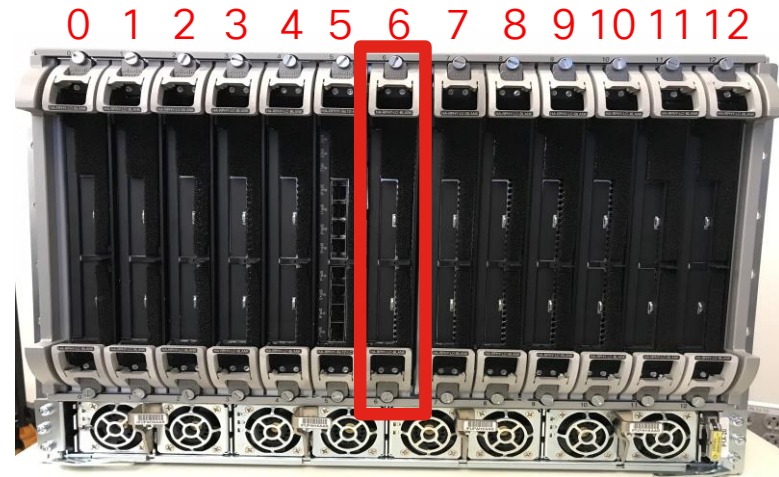
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Similar UCH8 header blocks (1 DS & 2 US) as cBR-8 RF PIC

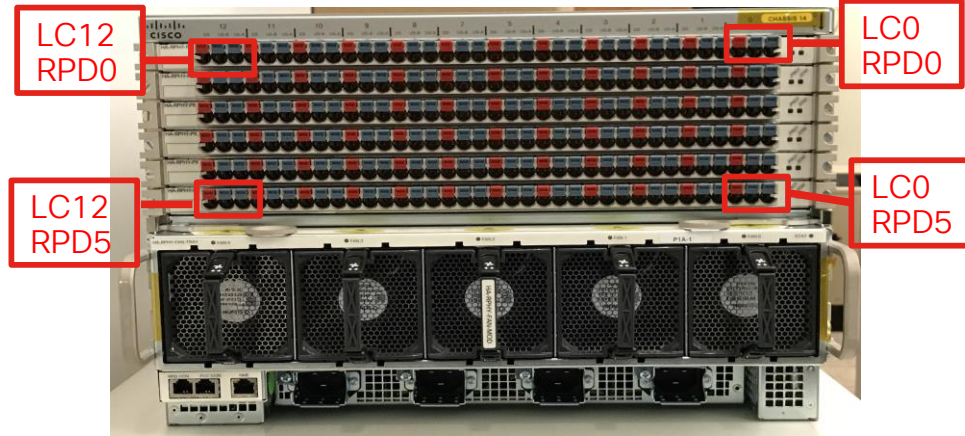


High Availability Shelf (Smart PHY 7200)

- 13 linecards (12 active) – LC 6 is the protect
- Each LC has 8 SFP+ backhaul ports
- Each LC consists of 6 1x2 RPDs for a chassis capacity of 72 RPDs
- The back of the chassis has 6 RF PICs each supporting a RPD from each front LC



Front



Rear

NCS 5500 Product Family

- Modular and Fixed IOS-XR OS based platforms for high-scale WAN aggregation
- Flexible 10/25/40/100GE interface support
- Low power, high performance
- Automation, Telemetry, Programmability



NCS 540
300 Gbps - 1 RU



NCS 5501/5501-SE
800 Gbps - 1 RU



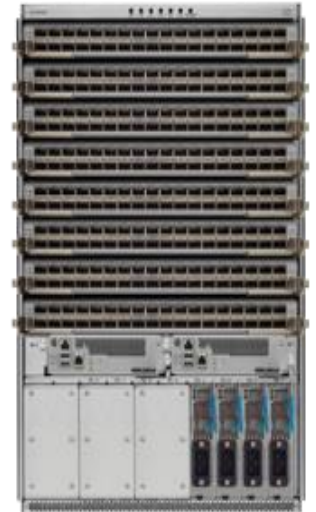
NCS 55A1-36
3.6 Tbps - 1 RU



NCS 5502/5502-SE
4.8 Tbps - 2 RU



NCS 5504
3.6Tbps per slot
14.4 Tbps - 7 RU



NCS 5508
3.6Tbps per slot
28.8 Tbps - 13 RU

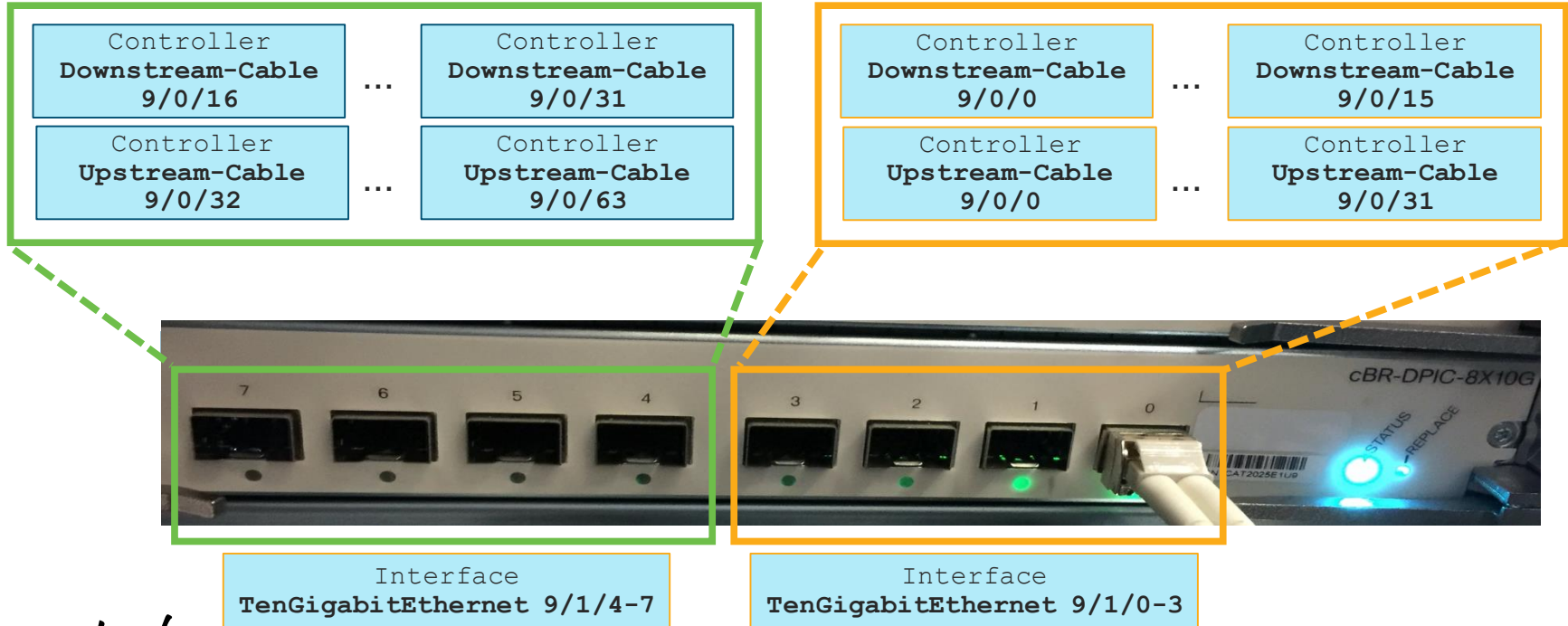
RPD Aggregation, Leaf

R-PHY Core Aggregation, Spine

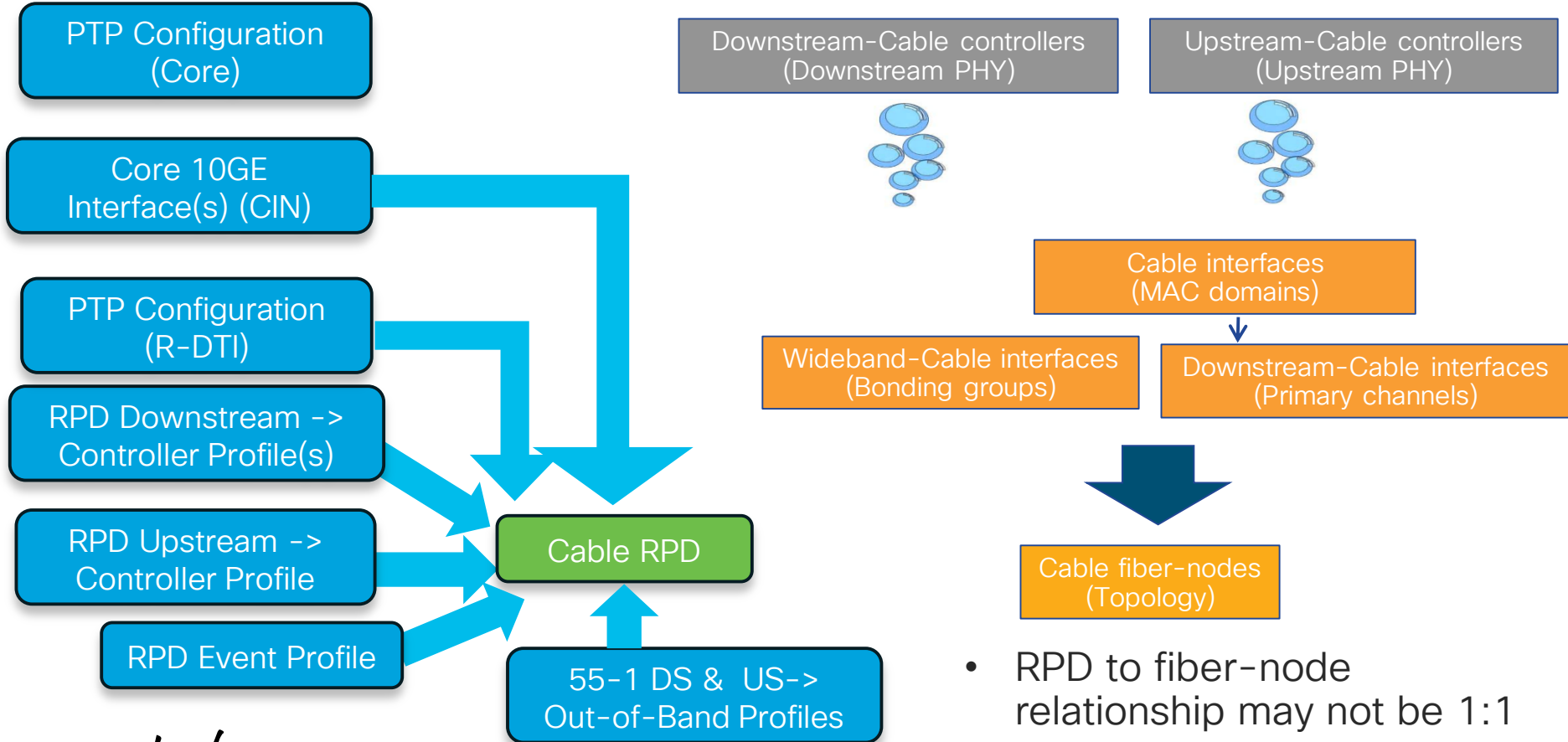
R-PHY Implementation

R-PHY Controllers & PIC Ports

- As of 16.7.1 up to 16 DOCSIS SGs & 64 RPDs per LC supported



R-PHY Configuration Flowchart



PTP & R-DTI Configuration

ptp clock boundary domain 44

```
servo tracking-type R-DTI
clock-port slave-from-ADVA profile g8275.2
delay-req interval -4
sync interval -5
sync one-step
transport ipv4 unicast interface Lo0 negotiation
clock source 188.188.188.188
```

ptp r-dti 1

```
profile G.9275.2
ptp-domain 44
clock-port 1
clock source ip 188.188.188.188
```

ptp r-dti 2

```
profile G.8275.2
ptp-domain 44
clock-port 1
transport ipv6
clock source ipv6 2001:DB8::1588
```

- Currently only one PTP domain is supported
- The “servo ..” configuration allows the cBR-8 clock to sync much faster
- Ensure the cBR-8 loopback has IP connectivity to the clock source

- Ensure the domain number matches with the cBR-8 PTP configuration
- If the clock is connected via an L2 CIN specify the gateway option with the clock source configuration line

Controller Profile Configuration

```
cable downstream controller-profile 1
rf-chan 0 31
  type DOCSIS
  frequency 489000000
  rf-output NORMAL
  qam-profile 1
  docsis-channel-id 1
rf-chan 158
  docsis-channel-id 159
  ofdm channel-profile 1 start-frequency
684000000 width 192000000 plc 777000000
```

- Define profiles one time for common RPD downstream and upstream configurations
- Such as 32 downstream DOCSIS SC-QAM channels; 4 upstream DOCSIS channels; etc.

```
cable upstream controller-profile 1
  us-channel 0 channel-width 6400000 6400000
  us-channel 0 docsis-mode atdma
  us-channel 0 equalization-coefficient
  us-channel 0 frequency 175000000
  us-channel 0 minislot-size 2
  us-channel 0 modulation-profile 221
...
  us-channel 3 channel-width 6400000 6400000
  us-channel 3 docsis-mode atdma
  us-channel 3 equalization-coefficient
  us-channel 3 frequency 375000000
  us-channel 3 minislot-size 2
  us-channel 3 modulation-profile 221
```

RPD Configuration

```
cable rpd RPD_1  
description Test GS7K RPD  
identifier 0000.abcd.1234  
core-interface Te1/1/0  
principal  
  rpd-ds 0 downstream-cable 1/0/0 profile 1  
  rpd-us 0 upstream-cable 1/0/0 profile 1  
r-dti 1  
rpd-event profile 5
```

```
cable rpd RPD_2  
description Test Compact Shelf RPD  
identifier 0000.abcd.5678  
type shelf  
rpd-ds 0 max-carrier 32  
rpd-ds 0 base-power 36  
core-interface Te1/1/0  
principal  
  rpd-ds 0 downstream-cable 1/0/1 profile 1  
  rpd-us 0 upstream-cable 1/0/1 profile 1  
r-dti 1  
rpd-event profile 5
```

- Identifier is the RPD MAC address
- For RPHY Shelves set the type to expand power related ranges
- Core Interface is the DPIC port used to communicate to the RPD
- Define the RPD RF ports by assigning controllers and associating to profiles
- R-DTI configuration enables the core to send required PTP timing information to the RPD

DEPI Latency Measurement (DLM)

- Measurement of the CIN latency between the CCAP Core and RPD enabling the DOCSIS scheduler to accurately adjust MAP advance

CCAP Core places current 32-bit DTI Timestamp in the DOCSIS Timestamp Start field



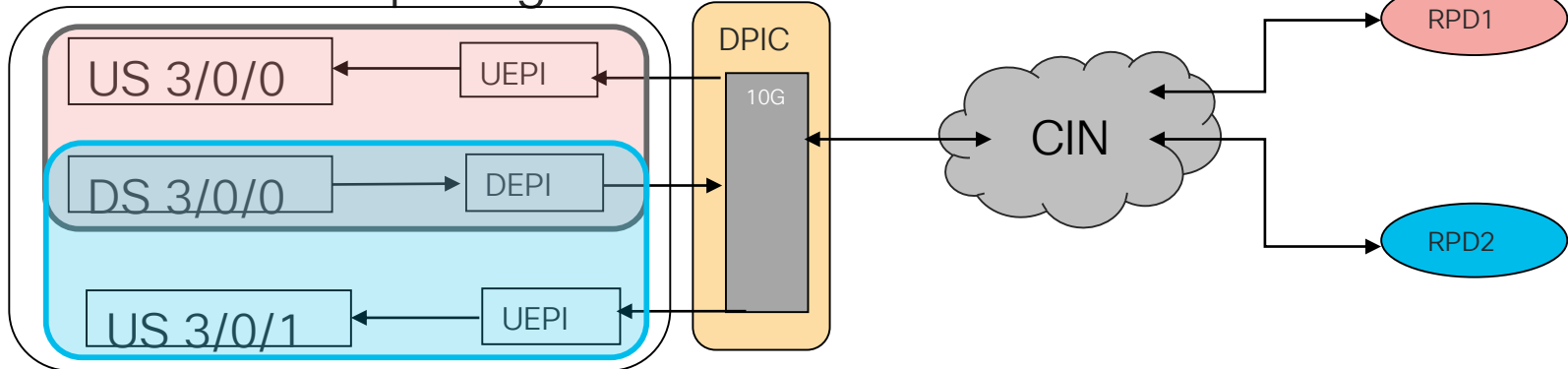
RPD inserts DTI timestamp (T2) in the DOCSIS Timestamp End field

```
cable rpd GS7K-LWR
description RPD located in Lawrenceville
identifier badb.ad13.1476
core-interface Tel1/1/2
principal
  rpd-ds 0 downstream-cable 1/0/5 profile 2
  rpd-us 0 upstream-cable 1/0/5 profile 1
  network-delay dlm 1
r-dti 2
rpd-event profile 0
```

```
[no] network-delay dlm [interval in secs] {measure-only}
```

Downstream Channel Splitting

- Does it make sense to dedicate Downstream Channels per RPD?
 - As fiber moves deeper the number of subs per node decreases
 - Inefficient use of CCAP core MAC layer resources
 - Still constrained to 768/576 SC-QAM & 16 OFDM DS channels per line card
- Solution: DS Splitting via Multicast DEPI



DS Splitting Configuration Flowchart

Create multicast DEPI pool(s)

```
cable depi multicast pool 1
ip address 232.232.232.0 255.255.255.0
```

Enable multicast under DS controller profile

```
cable downstream controller-profile 10
multicast-pool 1
...
```

Configure RPDs with same DS controller # AND profile

```
cable rpd RPD_1
core-interface Te1/1/0
rpd-ds 0 downstream-cable 1/0/0 profile 10
rpd-us 0 upstream-cable 1/0/0 profile 1
```

```
cable rpd RPD_2
core-interface Te1/1/0
rpd-ds 0 downstream-cable 1/0/0 profile 10
rpd-us 0 upstream-cable 1/0/1 profile 1
```

Enable multicast on CBR-8

```
ip multicast-routing distributed
```

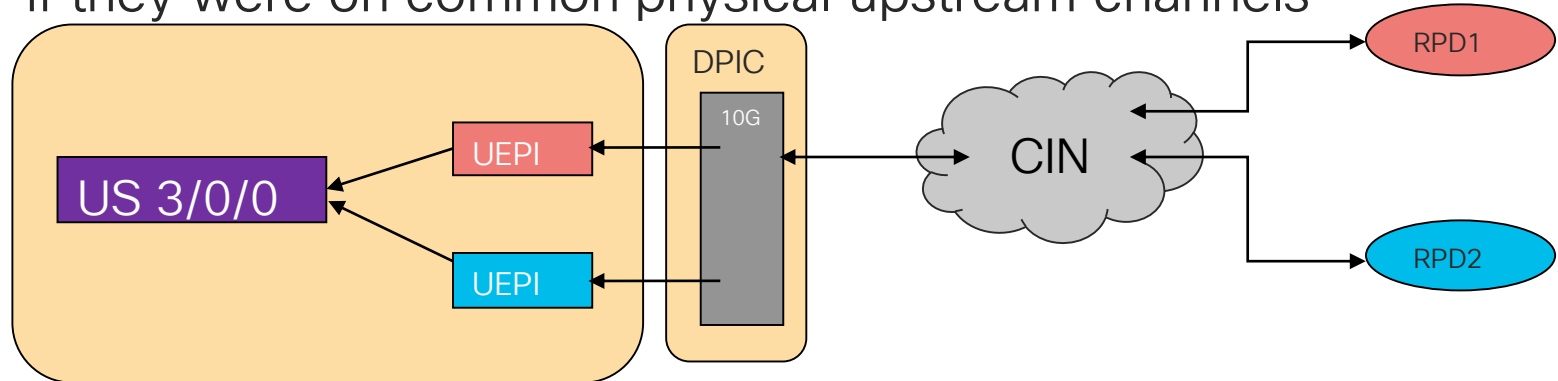
Enable multicast in CIN

A Layer 2 CIN may require IGMP/MLD snooping to be enabled

A Layer 3 CIN requires IGMP/MLD, PIM, SSM to be enabled

Upstream Channel Combining

- Virtual Combining is the complimentary upstream feature to DS Splitting
- Multiple RPDs US ports are combined/shared by the same US controller MAC resources on the cBR-8
- cBR-8 MAC scheduler treats cable modems across these RPDs as if they were on common physical upstream channels

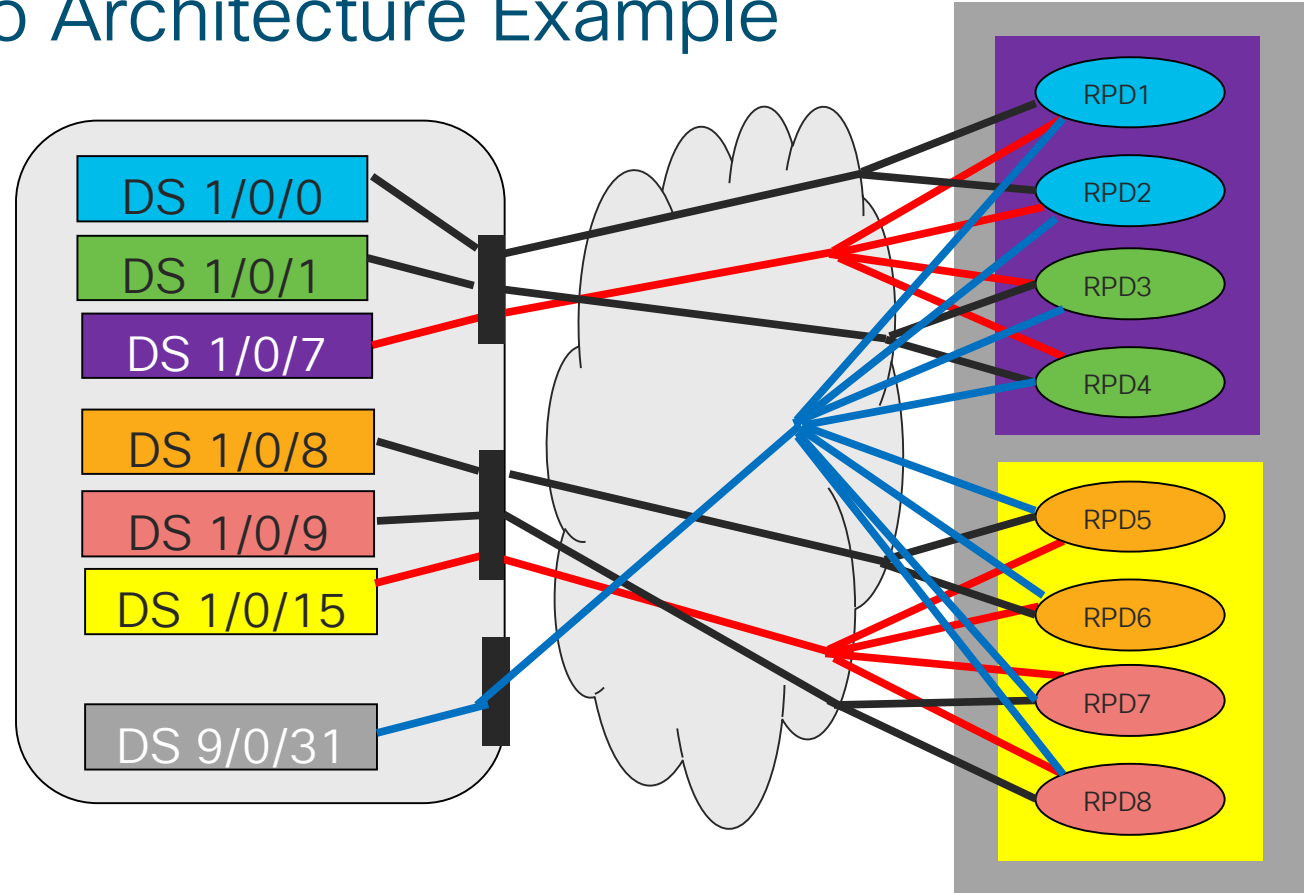


Video & Auxiliary Cores

- Narrowcast video services (e.g. Video on Demand (VoD), Switched Digital Video (SDV)) CAN be specified on the same DS controller as the DOCSIS channels
- If DOCSIS and Video service groups aren't 1:1 aligned they can be defined on different controllers which may or may not be serviced by the same DPIC port (Best practice to have them on the same DPIC port if possible)
- Broadcast video services can be specified by a single controller from any LC and DPIC port and be used by several or all of the RPDs
- The video cores become auxiliary cores and are associated to RPDs. Video out-of-band (OOB) cores are also defined as auxiliary cores.
- Multicast addressing is used to deliver the same auxiliary core to multiple RPDs as with Downstream Channel Splitting

R-PHY Video Architecture Example

- 4 DOCSIS SGs with 2 RPDs each
- 2 Narrowcast Video SGs with 4 RPDs each
- 1 Broadcast Video SG with 8 RPDs



Video Configuration Flowchart

Configure DS controller profile(s) with video channels

```
cable downstream controller-profile 10
multicast-pool 1
rf-chan 0 31
  type DOCSIS
  <snip>
rf-chan 32 39
  type VIDEO SYNC
frequency 405000000
rf-output NORMAL
qam-profile 5
```

```
cable downstream controller-profile 20
multicast-pool 1
rf-chan 40 63
  type VIDEO SYNC
frequency 261000000
rf-output NORMAL
qam-profile 5
```

Configure RPDs with auxiliary core(s) for video

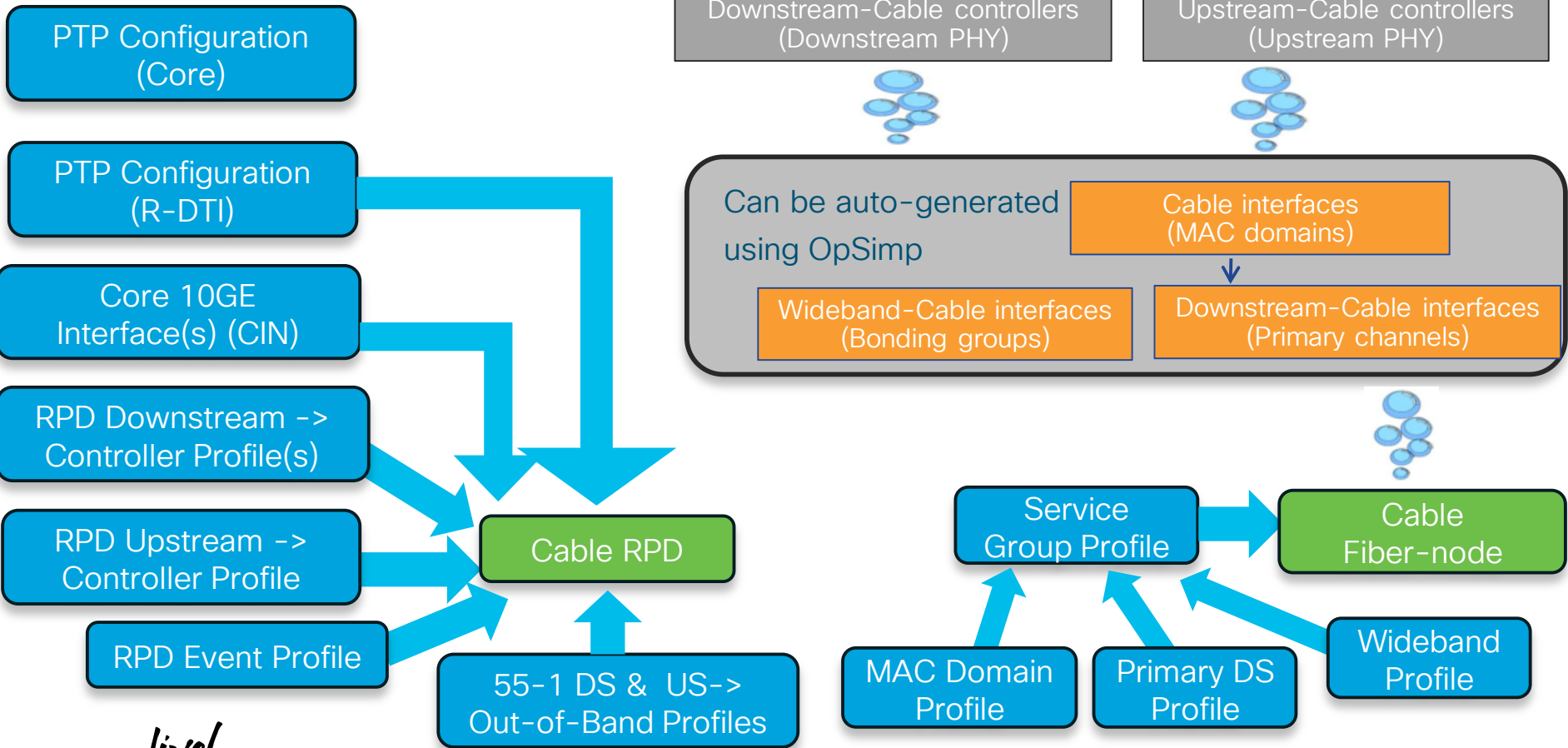
```
cable rpd RPD_1
identifier 0000.abcd.1234
core-interface Te1/1/0
principal
  rpd-ds 0 downstream-cable 1/0/0 profile 10
  rpd-us 0 upstream-cable 1/0/0 profile 1
core-interface Te9/1/6
  rpd-ds 0 downstream-cable 9/0/31 profile 20
r-dti 1
rpd-event profile 5
```

In the *cable video* configuration the Service Distribution Groups (SDGs) now reference RPD downstreams

```
cable video
...
service-distribution-group sdg1 id 1
  rpd downstream-cable 1/0/0
service-distribution-group sdg2 id 1
  rpd downstream-cable 1/0/1
...
service-distribution-group bcast id 1
  rpd downstream-cable 9/0/31
...
```

RPD Automation & Assurance

R-PHY Configuration with OpSimp Flowchart



Smart PHY - RPD Deployment Automation



Deployment Simplified

- Resource Selection
- DOCSIS & Video
- cBR-8 and RPD orchestration



Unified Provisioning

- Common DHCP Policy
- Flexible RPD to SG mapping without managing one-offs

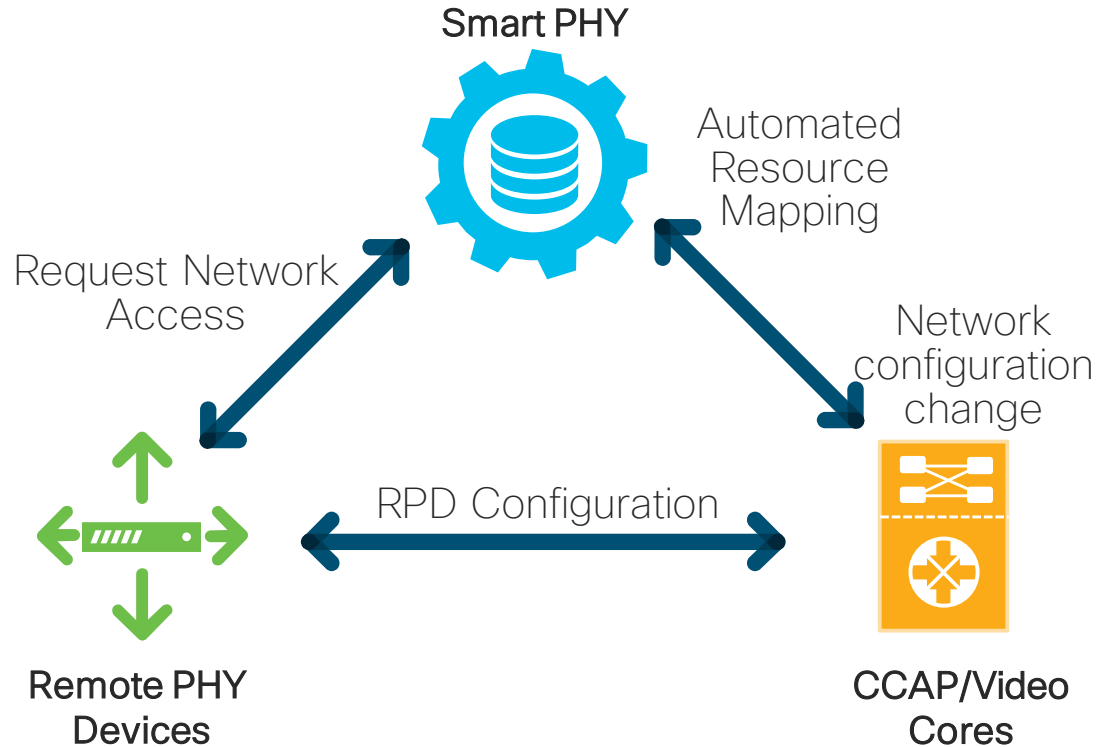


Cloud Native Platform

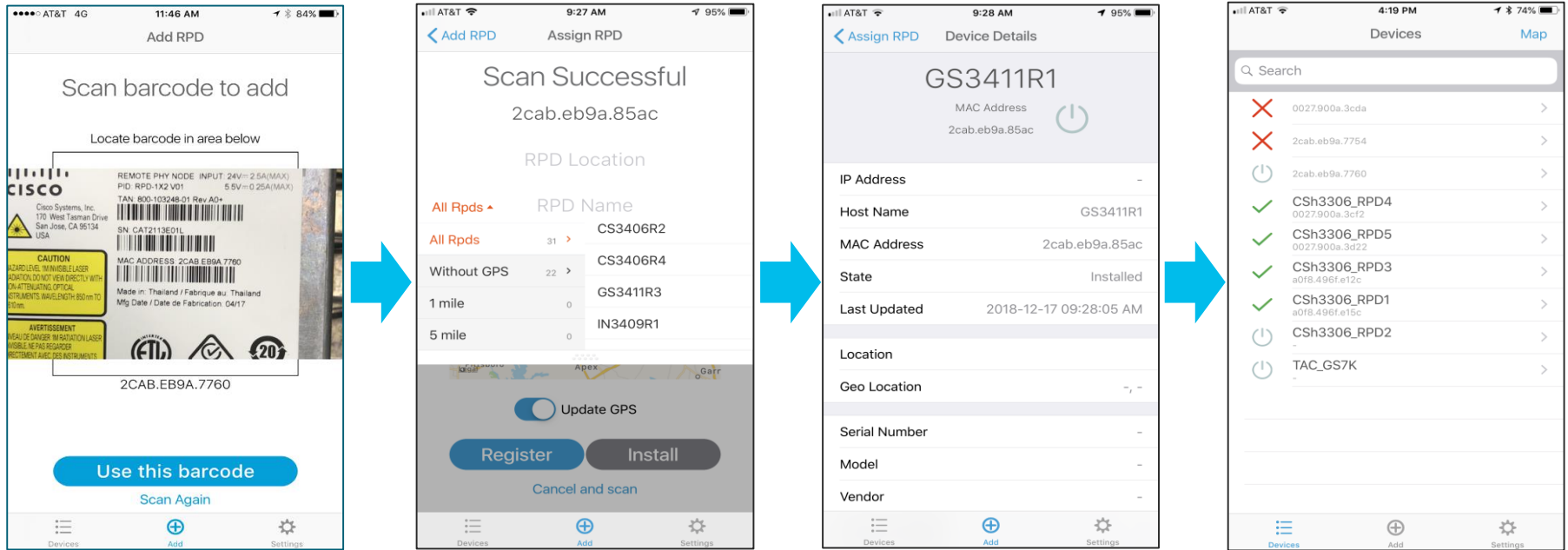
- Common Infrastructure
- API-Centric Design



Advanced Monitoring & Troubleshooting



Smart Phone Application



- RPD bar codes can be scanned via the Smart Phone App to automatically add the RPDs to the Smart PHY inventory
- Can also include the phone's GPS coordinates to automatically populate the RPD's location
- App can be used for both staging and installation workflows

Smart PHY Inventory

The screenshot displays the Cisco Smart PHY v2.1.2 interface. The left sidebar contains navigation options: Dashboard, Inventory, and Cable (with RPD Automation sub-option). The main content area features a top navigation bar with 'Inventory' and 'Credential Profiles' tabs, both circled in red. Below the tabs are three summary charts: a pie chart for 'Status' (ONLINE, UNKNOWN, OFFLINE), a donut chart for 'Type' (RPHYSHELF-CHASS, RPD-1-CHASS, CBR-8-CCAP-CHASS, RPD-1X2), and a gauge chart for 'Manufacturer' (Cisco). A table titled 'Inventory' is shown below, with a red oval highlighting a row. A green box on the left explains that CCAP cores can be imported via CSV or manually added. Another green box on the right notes that credential profiles are defined for CCAP core access information.

CCAP cores can be imported via CSV file or manually added to Smart PHY inventory

Credential Profiles defined for CCAP core access information

| | Status | Host Name | Key Type | IP Address | MAC Address | UUID | Product Type | Credential Pr... | Latitude |
|--------------------------|--------|---------------------|-------------|-----------------------|----------------|----------------------|------------------|------------------|----------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | ✓ | CS3406R0 | MAC ADDRESS | 2001:db8:daa:a:2f8... | A0F8.496F.AE98 | _DEVICE_A0F8496F... | RPHYSHELF-CHASS | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | ✓ | CS3406R1 | MAC ADDRESS | 2001:db8:daa:b:a2f... | A0F8.496F.AD8A | _DEVICE_A0F8496F... | RPHYSHELF-CHASS | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | ✓ | CS3406R2 | MAC ADDRESS | 2001:db8:daa:c:a2f... | A0F8.496F.AD84 | _DEVICE_A0F8496F... | RPHYSHELF-CHASS | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> | ✓ | CS3406R4 | MAC ADDRESS | 2001:db8:daa:e:a2f... | A0F8.496F.AE86 | _DEVICE_A0F8496F... | RPHYSHELF-CHASS | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | ✓ | CS3406R5 | MAC ADDRESS | 2001:db8:daa:f:a2f... | A0F8.496F.ADEA | _DEVICE_A0F8496F... | RPHYSHELF-CHASS | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | ✓ | F186-A9-CBR8-01.... | IP ADDRESS | 10.225.240.96 | | _DEVICE_10.225.24... | CBR-8-CCAP-CHASS | cb8 | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | ✓ | GS3411R1 | MAC ADDRESS | 2001:db8:daa:2:2ea... | 2CAB.EB9A.85AC | _DEVICE_2CABEB9... | RPD-1-CHASS | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | ✓ | GS3411R3 | MAC ADDRESS | 2001:db8:daa:1:2ea... | 2CAB.EB9A.8CBA | _DEVICE_2CABEB9... | RPD-1-CHASS | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | ✓ | INS... | MAC ADDRESS | 2001:db8:daa:4:7a7... | 7872.5DD5.E292 | _DEVICE_78725DD5... | RPD-1-CHASS | | |

Smart PHY Service Definitions

Overview RPD Assignment **Service Definitions** Global Settings

Service Definitions

+ Create New

SystemTemplate (Default)
Data only 0 Assigned

32x4_192OFDM_NoVideo
Data only 1 Assigned

96x4_192OFDM
Data, Video 15 Assigned

Copy System Template
Data only 0 Assigned

Pod0
Data, Video, OOB 4 Assigned

96x4_192OFDM

Name * 96x4_192OFDM Set as Default

Description 96 SC-QAMs (32 DOCSIS, 32 NC, 32 BC), 4 US, 192 MHz OFDM

Event Profile * 5

R-DTI Profile * 2

Pilot Tone Profile Range from 0 to 511

Cable DSG TGs 1

Primary Service

Service Group Profile * Pod0

Downstream Controller Profile * 210

Upstream Controller Profile * 200

Video Service (optional)

Narrowcast Video Controller Profile 100

Broadcast Video Controller Profile 1

Out Of Band (optional)

Downstream VOM ID Range from 1 to 10

Downstream Profile ID Range from 1 to 511

Upstream VARPD ID Range from 1 to 32

Upstream Profile ID Range from 1 to 511

Load Balance (optional)

Selected 1 / Total 5

Search...

Parameters include:

- RPD event profile
- RPD R-DTI profile
- Service group profile
- Primary service RPD DS controller profile
- Primary service RPD US controller profile
- Narrowcast & broadcast video DS controller profile(s)
- Video out-of-band DS & US profiles (55-1)

Service Definitions for grouping common RPD deployment parameters

Smart PHY RPD Assignment

RPD to CCAP core pairings and service template associations can be imported via CSV file or manually added

Associate RPDs

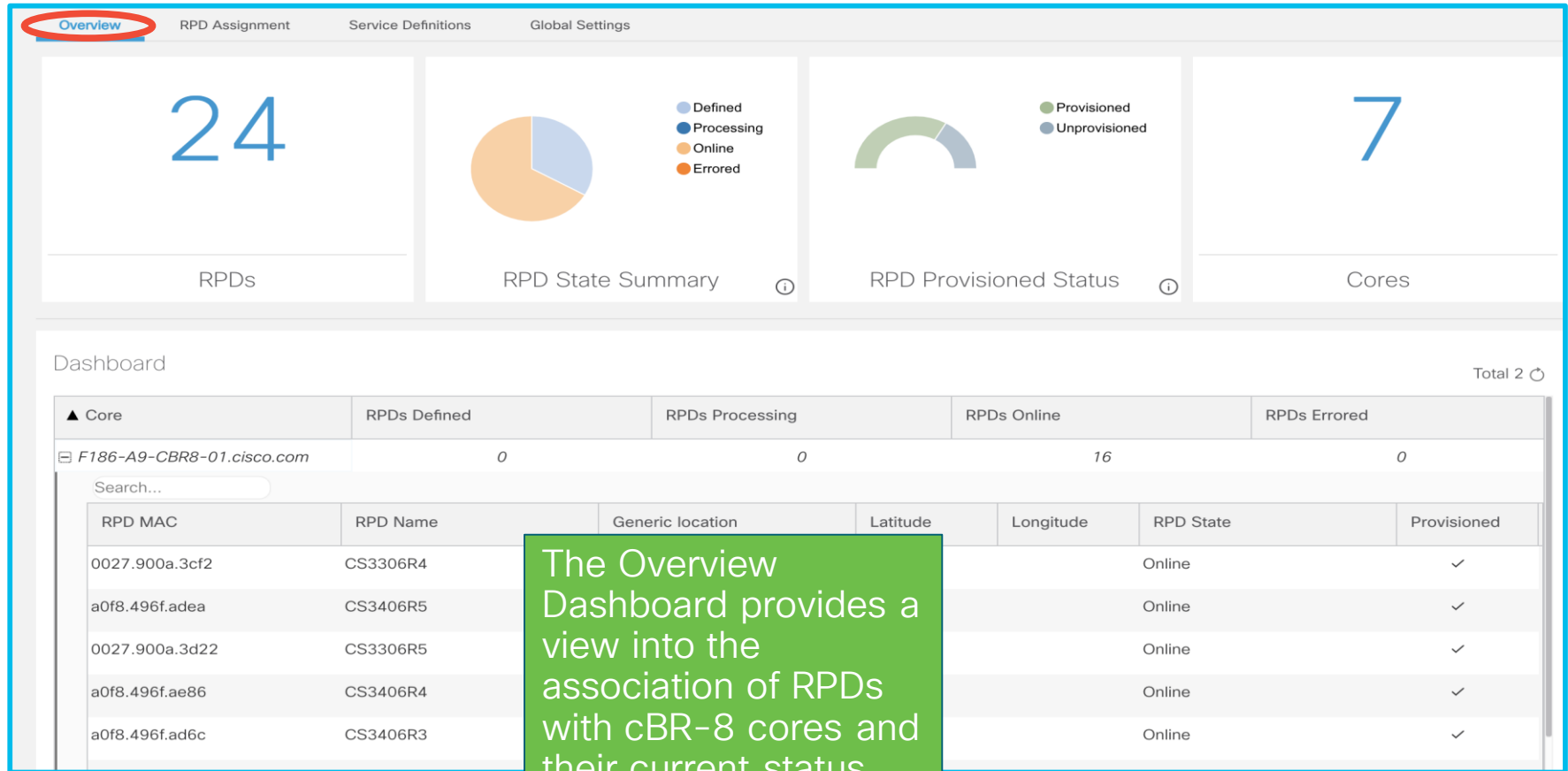
Assign Clear Details

| | | RPD Name | RPD MAC | Service Definition | CCAP Core | CCAP Core Inter... | Dow... | Up... | Data Primary RPD U... |
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| | Narrowcast Vide... | Broadcast Video Int... | Out Of B... | Narrowca... | Broad... | Cable DSG ... | Ac | RPD Lat... | R | RPD Descripti... |
|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-------------|----------|---------------|----|------------|---|------------------------|
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| <input type="checkbox"/> | TenGigabitEthernet6/1/0 | TenGigabitEthernet1/1/6 | - | -NCVideo610 | BCVideo | - | | | | Compact Shelf in 33... |

- RPDs anchored by RPD Name
- Fields include Service Definition, CCAP Core, and interfaces used for cores
- “Service Group” fields used indicate Virtual Splitting & Combining, Video
- Additional Cores used for 55-2 OOB

Smart PHY Overview Dashboard



The Overview Dashboard provides a view into the association of RPDs with cBR-8 cores and their current status

RPD Initialization with Smart PHY

DHCPv4 Vendor Options

dhcp-cablelabs-config [Select]

| Name | Number |
|------|--------|
| | |

Configured Options

| | | | |
|------------|---------------|----------|------------------------------|
| [43] (rpd) | rpd-option-43 | (binary) | (ccap-cores 61 172.18.99.97) |
|------------|---------------|----------|------------------------------|

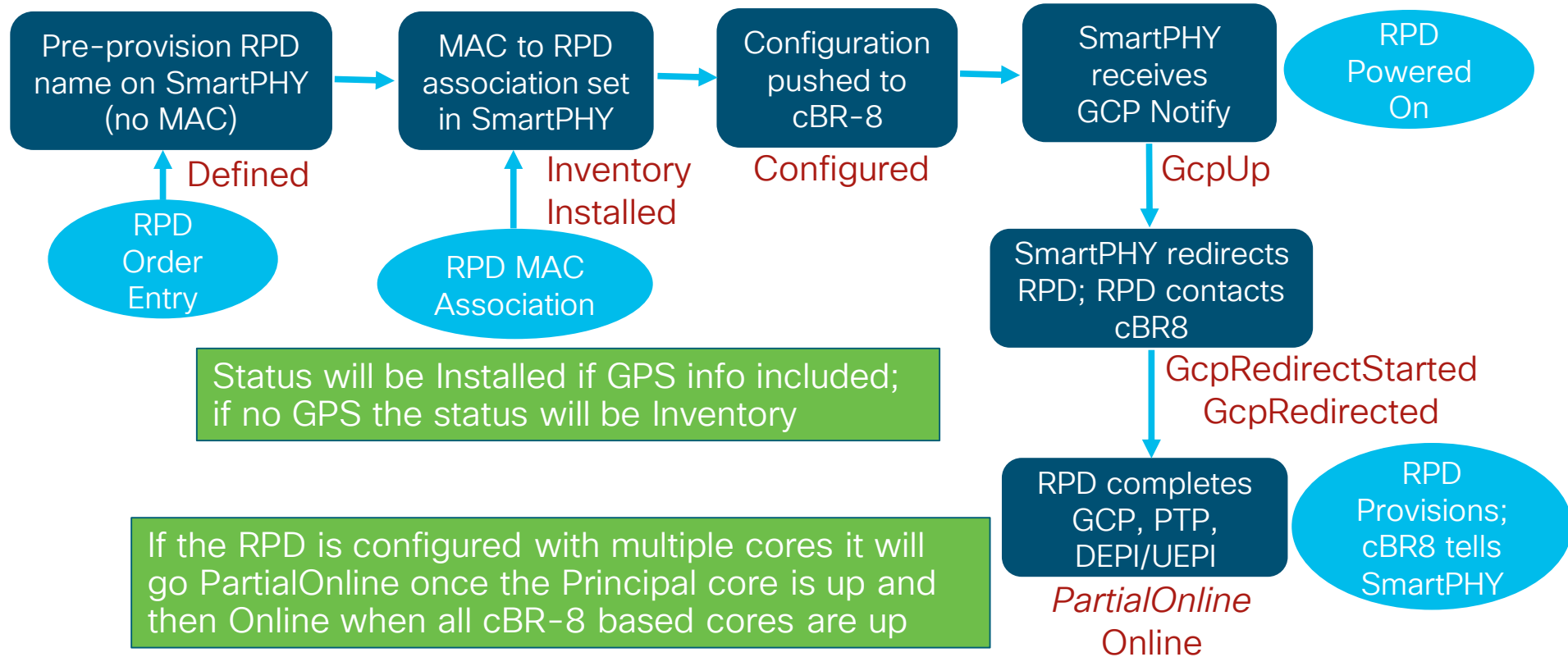
DHCP server CCAP cores option changed to point to Smart PHY

```
R-PHY#show dhcp
Interface      IP-Address      Subnet-Mask
vbh0          13.52.0.19      255.255.255.240
Details:
-----
Interface:          vbh0
TimeServers:        172.18.98.57
TimeOffset:         -18000
LogServers:         172.18.98.57, 172.18.98.59
CCAPCores:         172.18.99.97
```

The RPD initially establishes GCP with Smart PHY which then redirects to the appropriate CCAP core(s) based upon defined pairings

```
R-PHY#show provision all
ID           Interface  IP           Name      State      Role      HA-Mode  Initiated-By
CORE-1230641727 vbh0      13.13.0.238 CCAPCORE  init(gcp)  Principal Active    GCP_Redirect
```

SmartPHY RPD States



Automation Use Case Examples

CCAP & CIN
Onboarding

Service Addition /
Modification /
Deletion

RPD
Deployment

Configuration
Changes/Updates

CCAP
Cores

CIN
Devices

RPDs

OS Upgrades

Configuration
Compliance

RMAs / Device
Migration

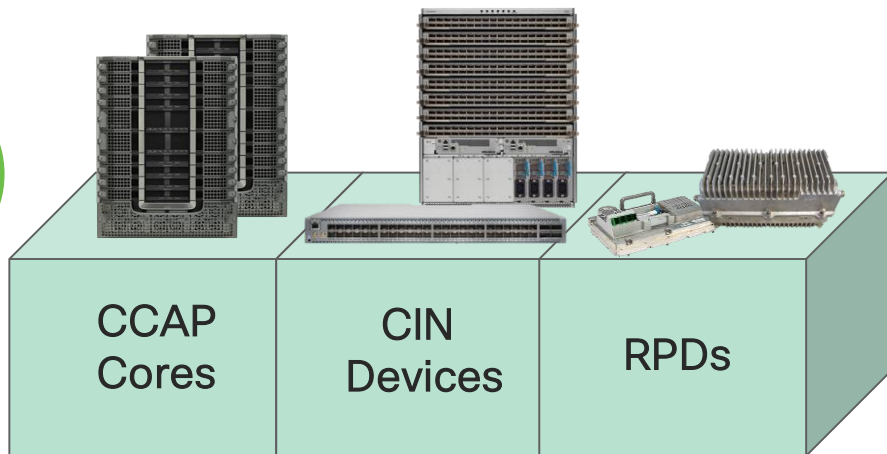
Node Splits

Network / Service
Health Checking

Disaster
Recovery

Capacity
Optimization

Security Policy
Enforcement



Business Process Automation (BPA)

- Scalable microservices based platform with standards based workflow engine
- Workflows allow business processes to be defined by a series of tasks
- Pre-integrated with Cisco NSO (Network Services Orchestrator) but can integrate with other controllers (e.g. Ansible) as well
- Containerized application layer to host use cases
- Customized templates for MOP automation
- Configurable user/group to application access and API access

Business Process Automation Dashboard

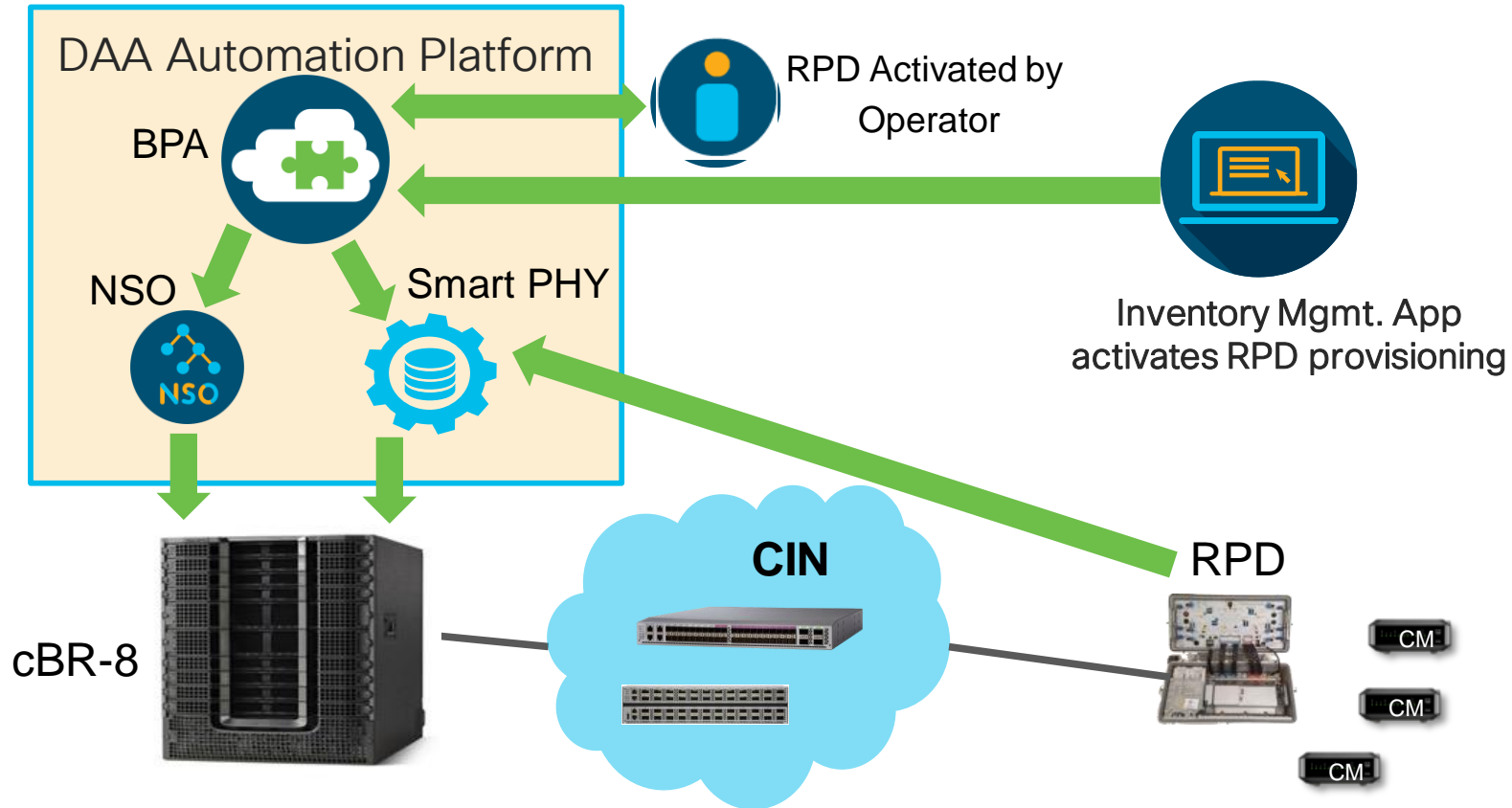
Business Process Automation

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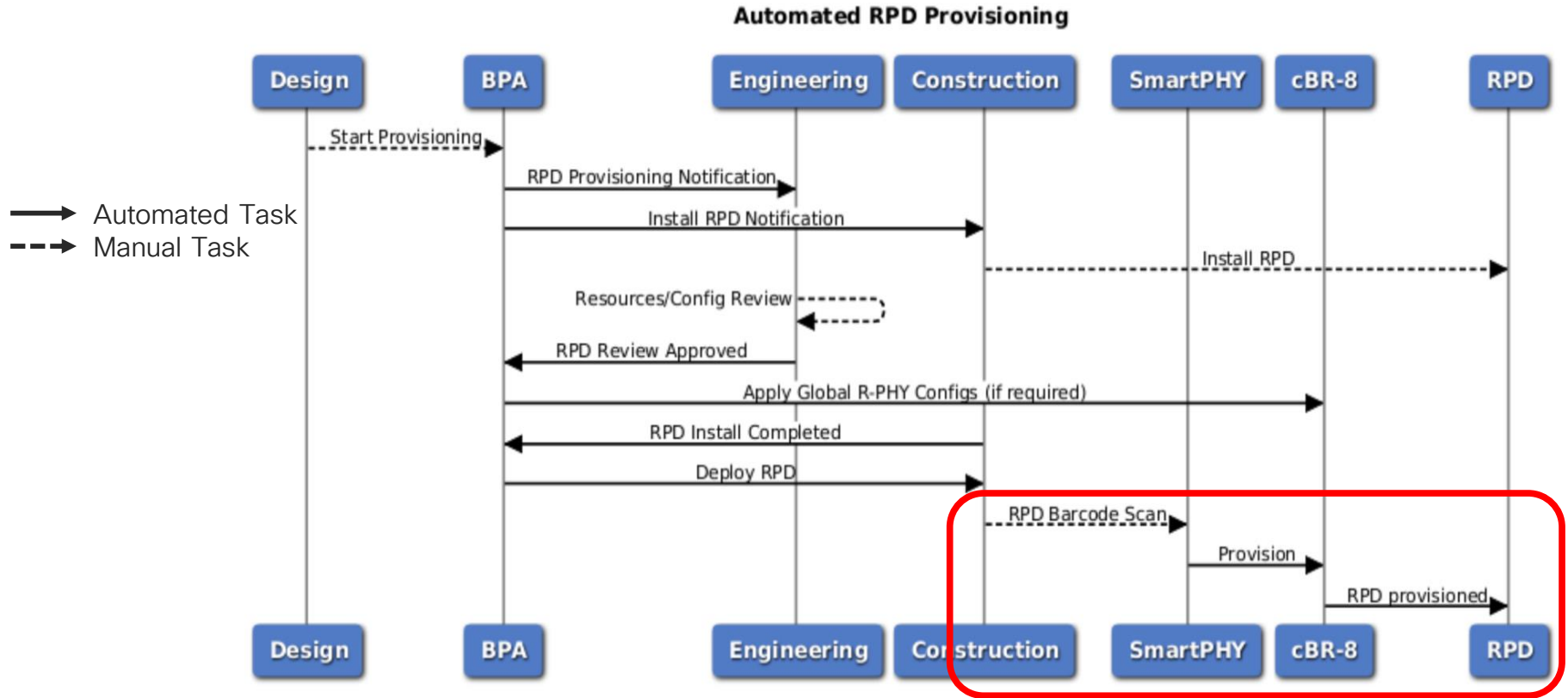
Dashboard

- Service Center
- Form Builder
- Device Manager
- OS Upgrade
- Process Templates
- Golden Config Templates
- Config Validator
- Workflows
- Service Topology
- Network Topology
- Market Variances
- Device Activation
- Pre-Post

Automated RPD Deployment

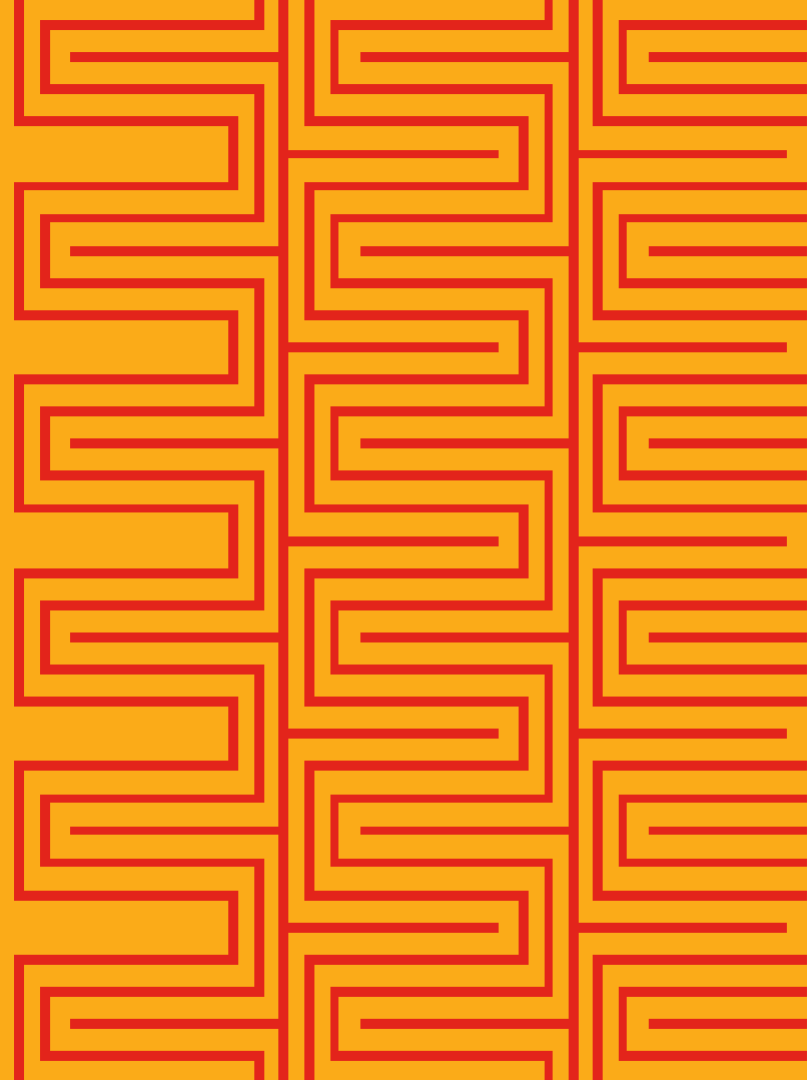


Automated RPD Deployment Process



RPD Provisioned Automatically after Barcode Scan

Automation Demo



EPN-M: Single Pane of Operation for Cable SPs



Evolved Programmable Network Manager

Single Pane of Operation from EPNM to manage and monitor cBR-8 and Remote PHY

Device Management

- cBR-8 Device Management
 - cBR-8 Chassis View: Card, Port, DPIC, Fan, Sensor information real time
 - Cable Interface Status, Utilization
 - Various Performance Statistics (Upstream, Downstream)
 - Consolidated Summary of RPDs and Modems
 - Export Inventory Data
 - cBR-8 Software Image Management
 - Fault Management
- NCS5x00 management
 - Chassis view

RPD Management

- Add, Edit, Delete RPD
- Bulk Import, Export
- RPD state change history
- One click Pairing removal
- RPD Service Profile Management
- IPV6 support
- RPD Global Configuration
- RPD Mac Domain Splitting
- RPD US port configuration
- Smart PHY Integration
- RPD Auto discovery from cBR-8
- Generic dashboards for RPD MIBs

Topology

- E2E Connectivity Information
 - Physical Connectivity (Underlay)
 - L2TP Connectivity (Overlay)
- cBR-8, Switches and RPD
 - Precise Geo Location
- RPD Quick Snapshot
 - Basic Inventory Information
 - DEPI Information
- L2TP Link Health
 - L2TP Link Status (Faults)
 - Link Overview

Analytics

- Analytics Exec Dashboards
 - Software Version, License, HA, Cable Modem, RPD FPGA dashlets
- Cable Modem Dashboard
 - Vendor and Capability, Cable Count with Status
- cBR-8 Alarm Dashboard
 - Heat Map for cBR-8 alarms based on group location
- Service Group Utilization
 - Fiber Node, Mac Domain, RPD and Modem Mapping Channel utilization etc.

Management in EPN-M

Topology & Device Discovery

Chassis & Interface views

Metrics

Virtual Circuits

Northbound Interfaces

Link details

Device details, Installed options, Configured Services

Performance Mgmt.

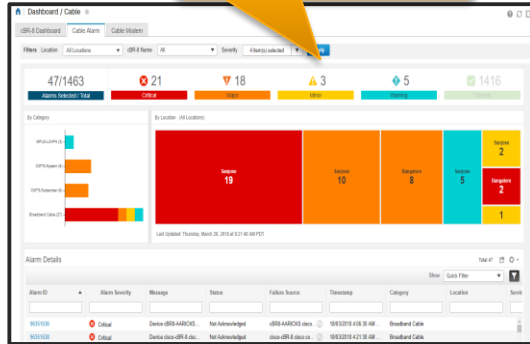
Software Image Management

Config Version Control, Distribution, Rollback

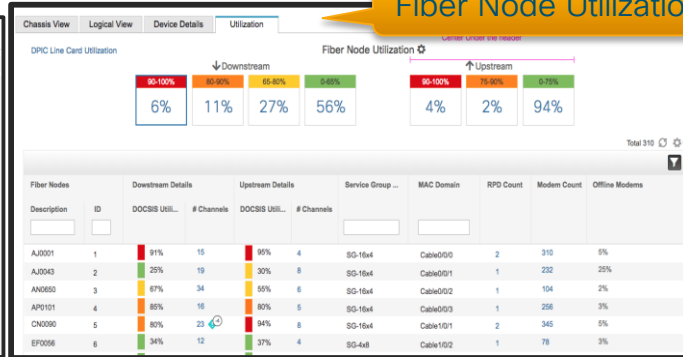
Alarm Management

EPN-M Dashboards

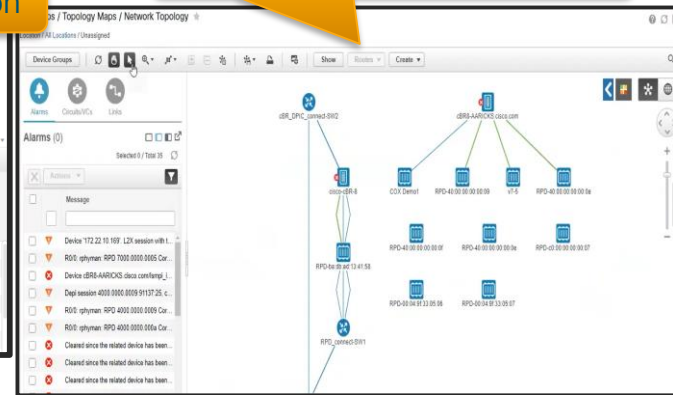
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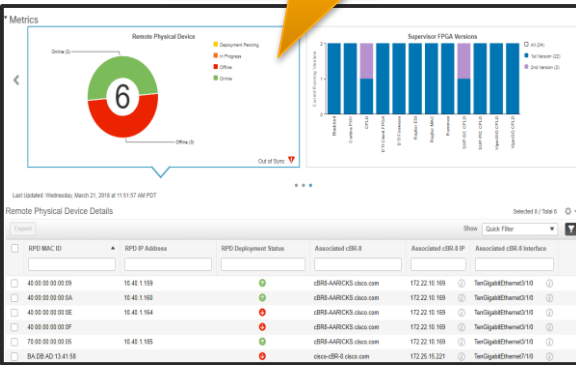
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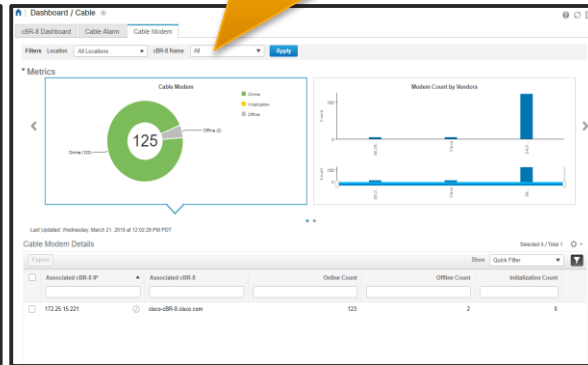
Cable Topology & CIN View



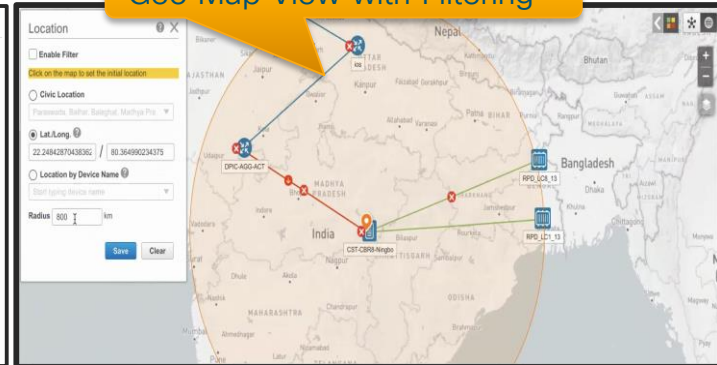
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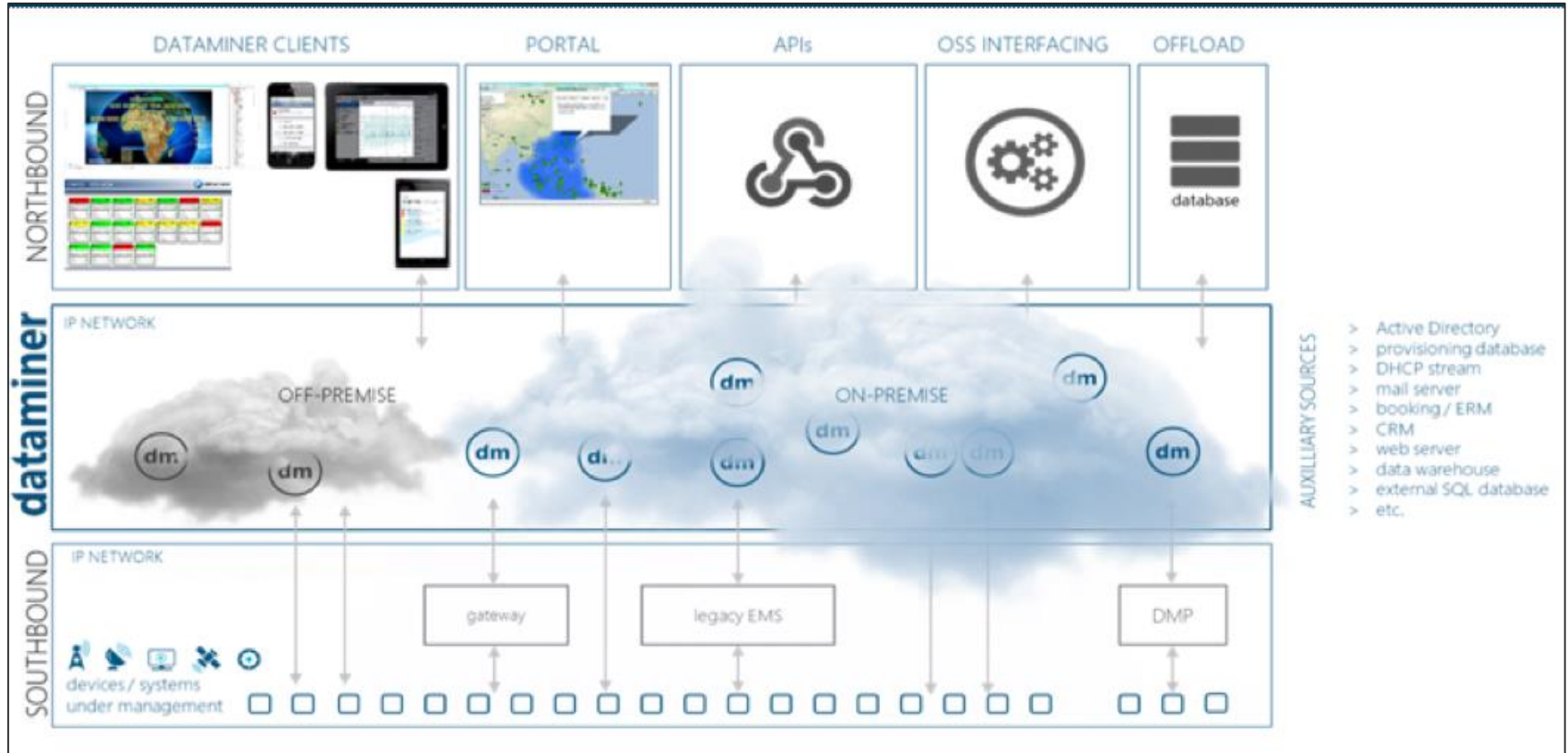
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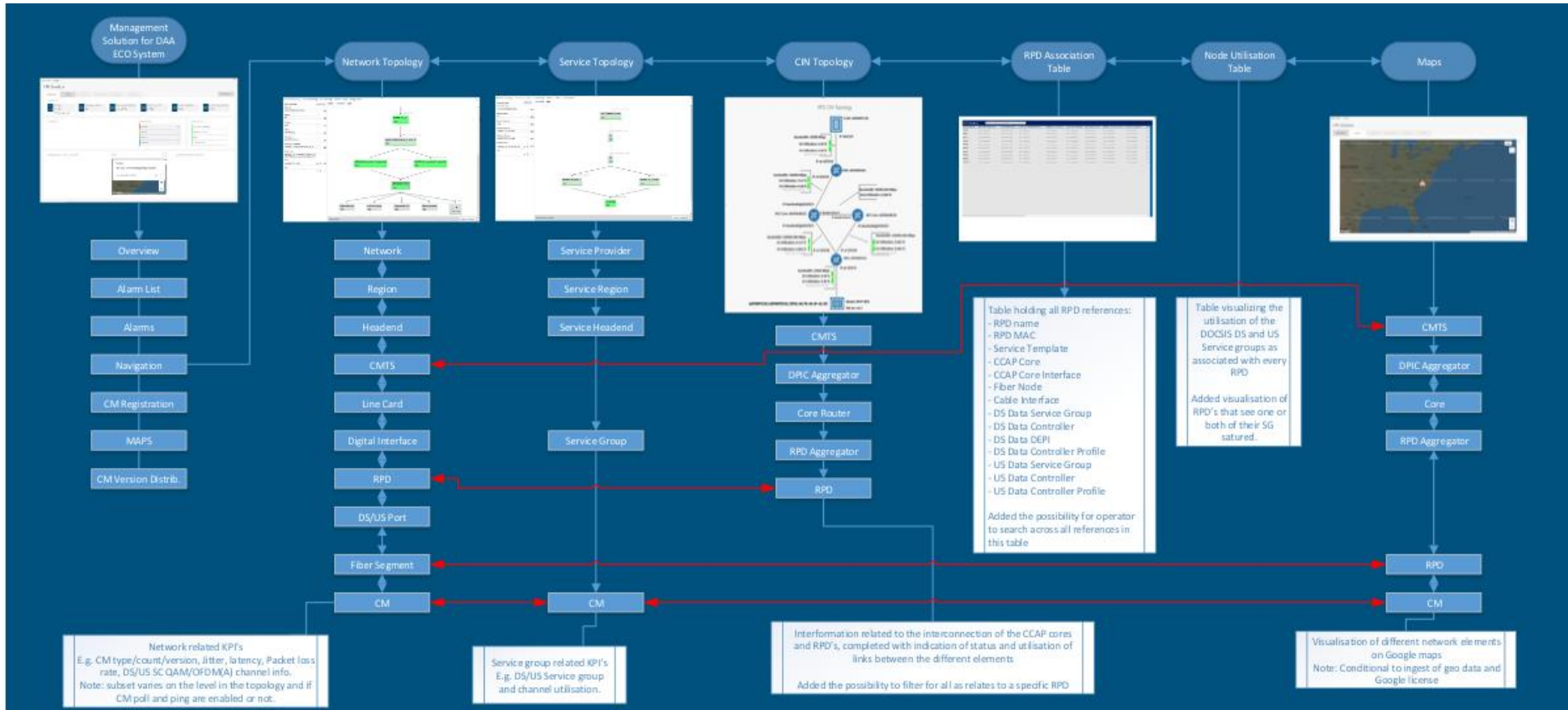
Geo Map View with Filtering



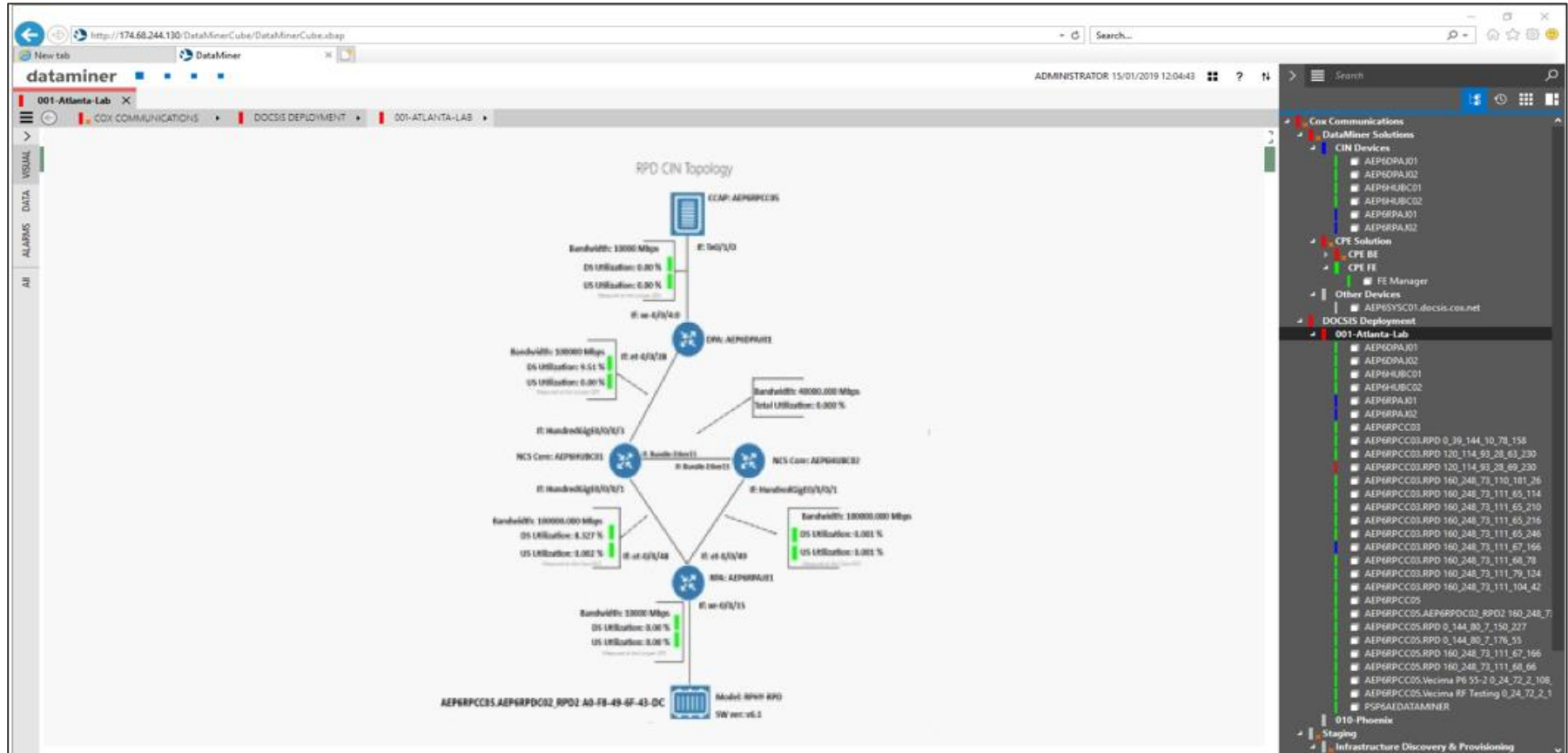
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DataMiner CPE Solution

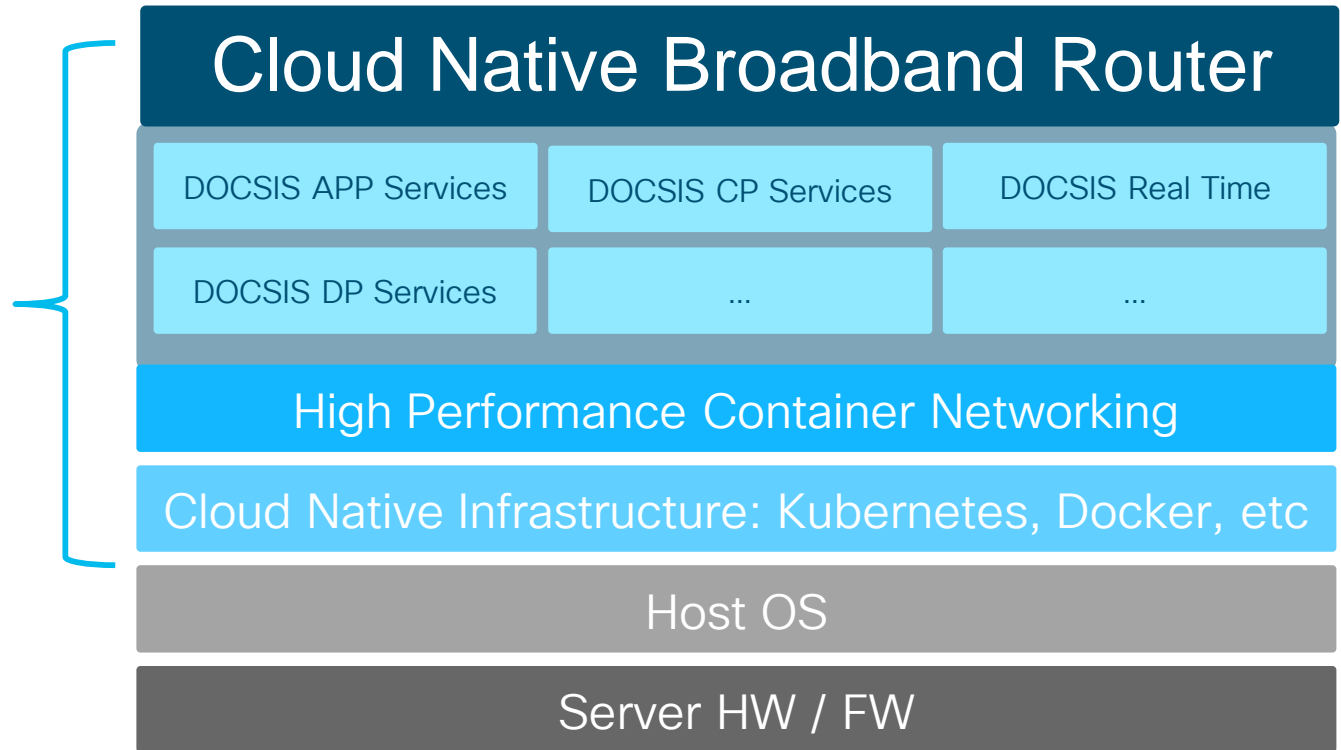
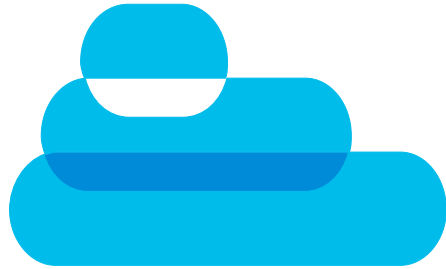


DataMiner CIN Topology



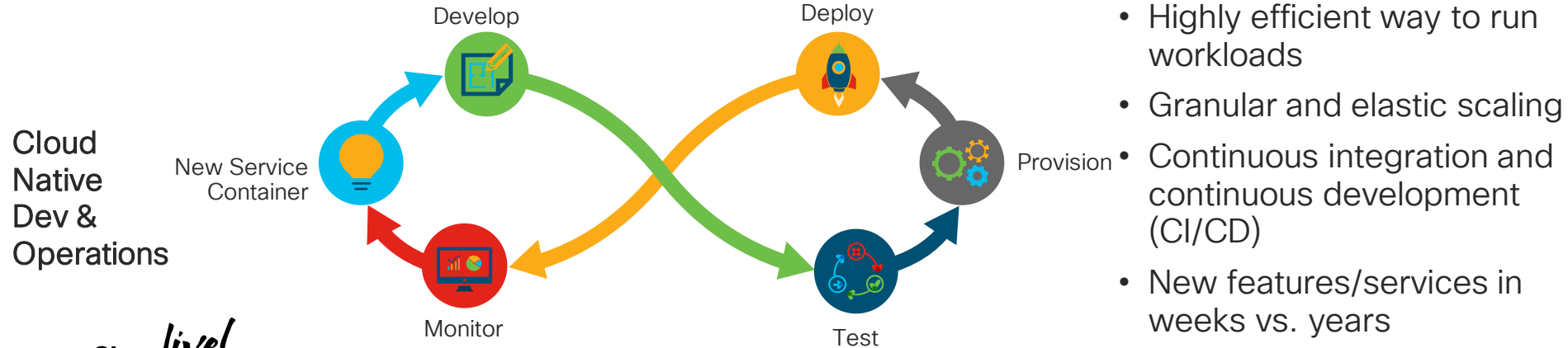
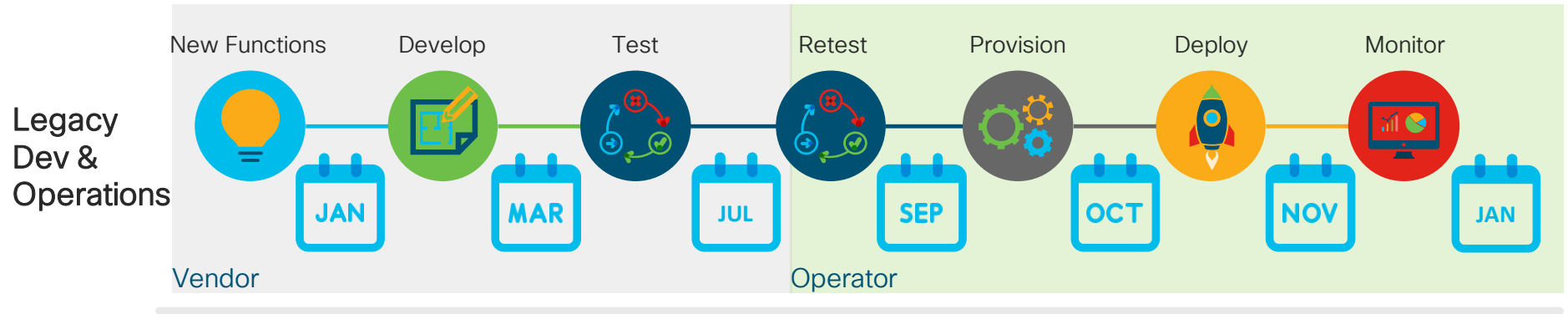
Cloud Native Broadband Router (cnBR) Overview

Cloud Native Broadband Router (cnBR)



- Fundamental rethink of a real-time SP class product

Legacy vs. Cloud Native Broadband Router



- Highly efficient way to run workloads
- Granular and elastic scaling
- Continuous integration and continuous development (CI/CD)
- New features/services in weeks vs. years

cnBR Demo



Summary

Summary

- Moving to a Remote PHY architecture enables hub consolidation, full benefits of D3.1, an improved usage of cBR-8 MAC resources, increased usability of DWDM wavelengths, service consolidation in the CIN, future technologies such as Cloud Native Broadband Router (cnBR) and Full Duplex DOCSIS, and more
- Increase expertise by knowing the RPHY protocols (GCP/RCP, DEPI/UEPI, PTP) and components (CCAP cores, RPD nodes & shelves, CIN routers)
- Deploy full RPHY services and at scale via virtual splitting & combining, narrowcast & broadcast video services, out-of-band signaling, etc.
- Automation is vital to deploying Remote PHY at scale; solutions based on Smart PHY & BPA address this need
- cnBR is a transformational product bringing the best in cloud technology to the cable industry

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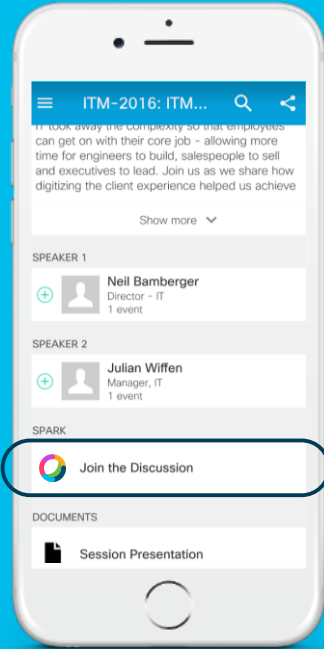
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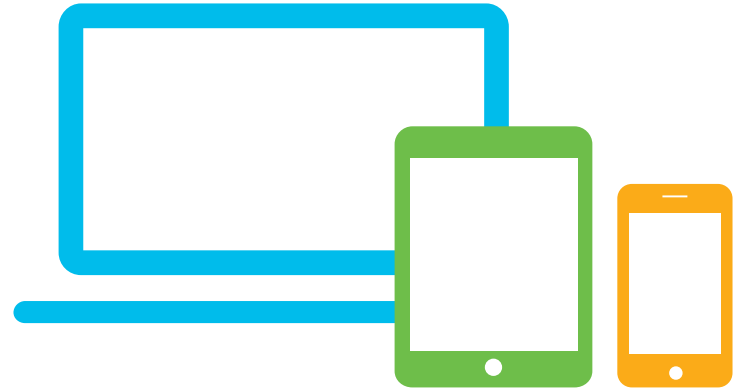
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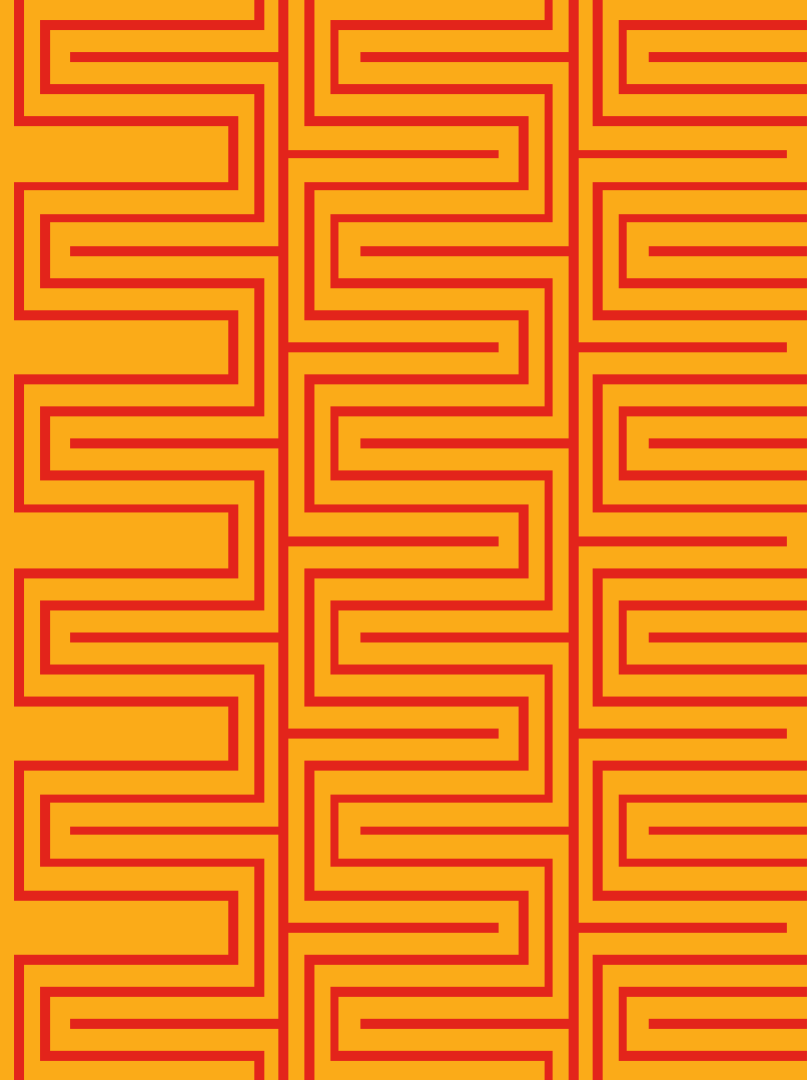


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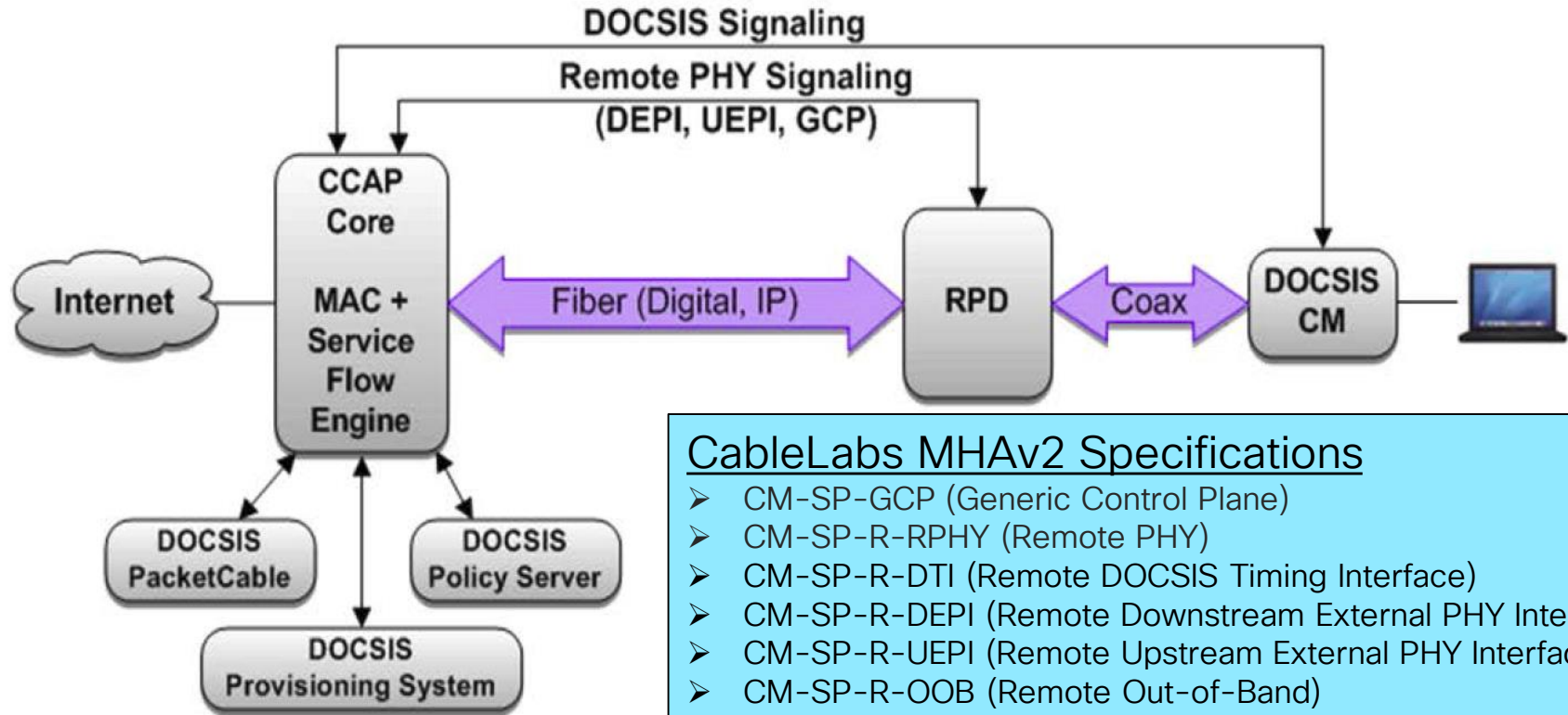
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Useful Information



Remote PHY Reference Architecture

Modular Headend Architecture version 2 (MHA v2)

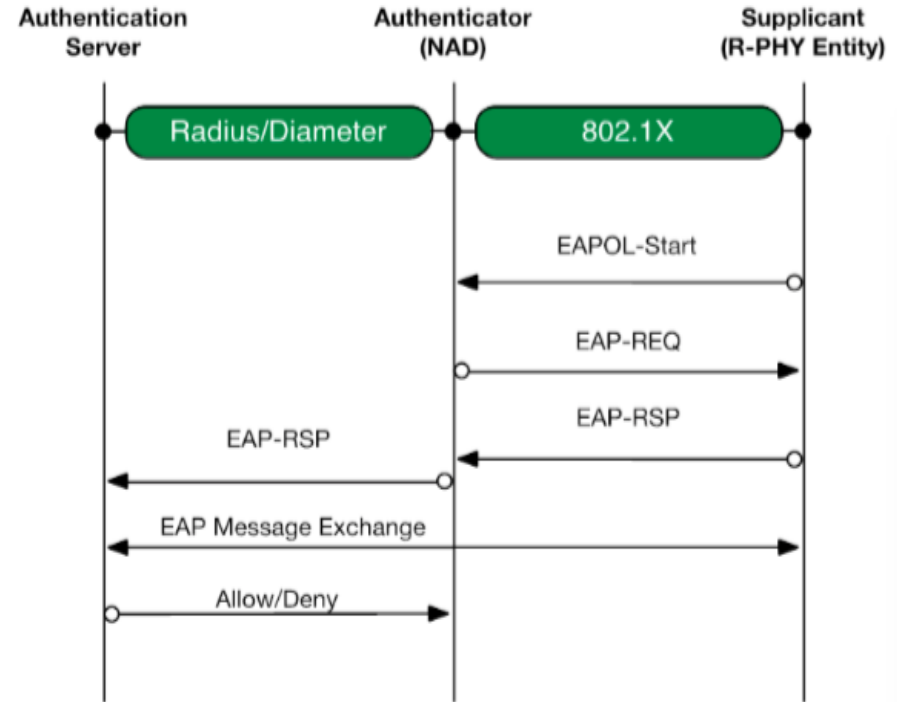


CableLabs MHA v2 Specifications

- CM-SP-GCP (Generic Control Plane)
- CM-SP-R-RPHY (Remote PHY)
- CM-SP-R-DTI (Remote DOCSIS Timing Interface)
- CM-SP-R-DEPI (Remote Downstream External PHY Interface)
- CM-SP-R-UEPI (Remote Upstream External PHY Interface)
- CM-SP-R-OOB (Remote Out-of-Band)
- CM-SP-R-OSSI (Remote PHY OSS Interface)

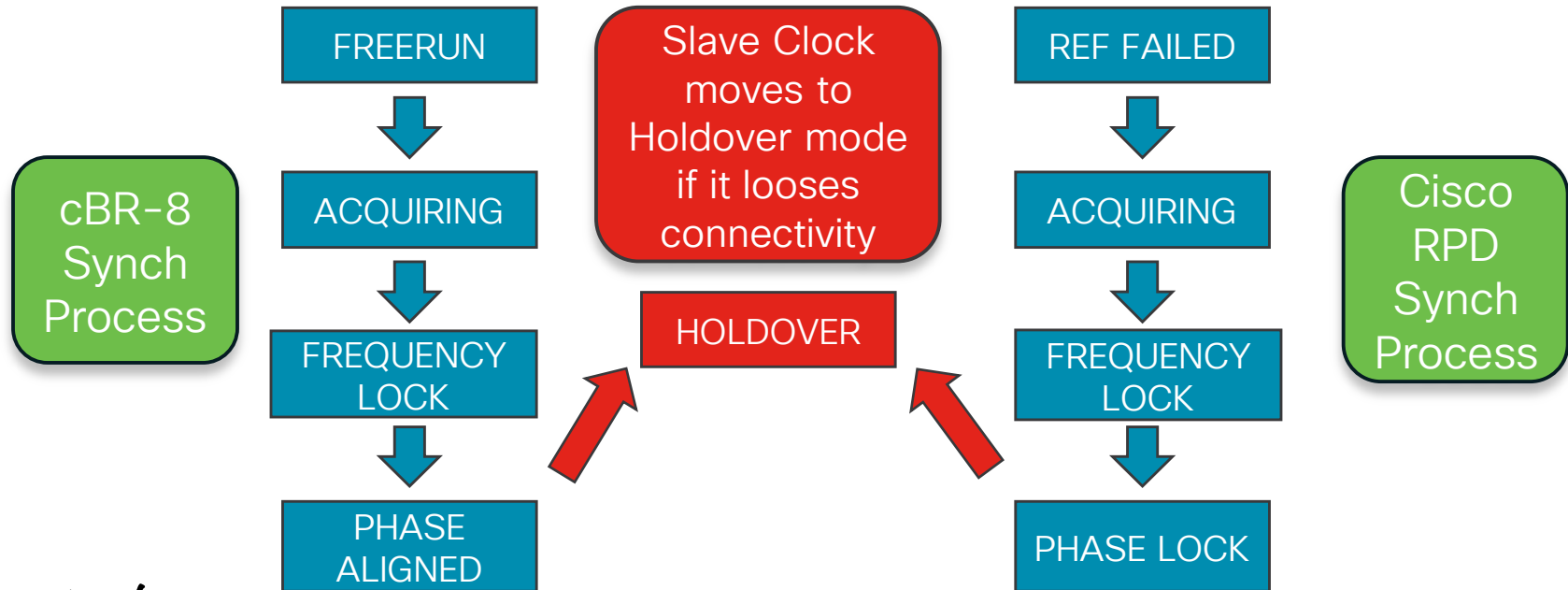
Initial Steps - Authentication

- Network Authentication (802.1x) can be used to provide security when the RPD resides in an “untrusted” network
- 802.1x uses the EAP (Extensible Authentication Protocol)
- Requires Certificates on the RPD and Authentication Server
- RPD always attempts to authenticate; whether or not it actually does depends on upstream device
- MACSec (802.1ae) is a link layer encryption mechanism that can be implemented



PTP Synchronization Process

- The Sync/Delay Request/Delay Response messages repeat and ultimately the PTP slave is able to synchronize its clock (typically 3-5 minutes)



PTP Profiles

- "The purpose of a PTP profile is to allow organizations to specify specific selections of attribute values and optional features of PTP that, when using the same transport protocol, inter-work and achieve a performance that meets the requirements of a particular application." ¹
- ITU_T has defined 3 profiles for use in mobile telecommunications
 - G.8265.1 – IP unicast delivery over a PTP unaware network (no BC/TC) for frequency distribution
 - G.8275.1 – Ethernet multicast delivery over a full on-path support network for frequency & phase distribution
 - G.8275.2 – IP unicast delivery over a partial on-path support network for frequency & phase distribution

Profile used in Remote PHY



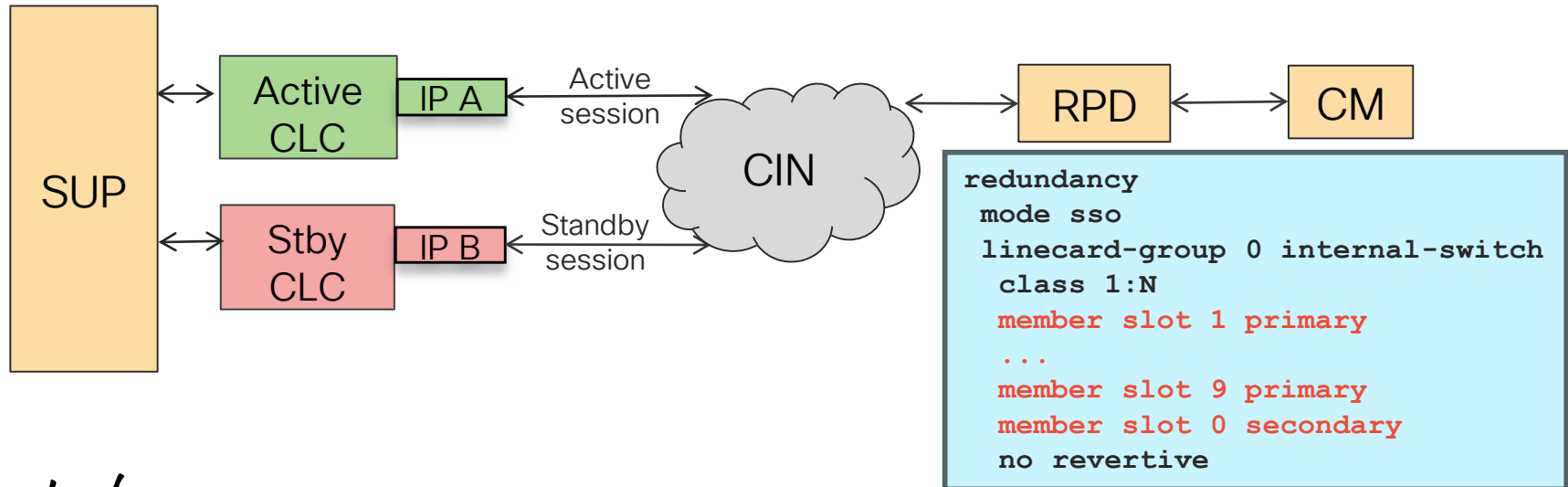
¹ Clause 19.3.1.1 of IEEE 1588

DEPI & UEPI

- DEPI is the Downstream External PHY Interface between the CCAP core MAC layer and the RPD PHY layer
- Consists of a control session and some number of data sessions for sending DOCSIS frames, video packets, and OOB packets from the CCAP core to the RPD
- UEPI is the Upstream External PHY Interface between the CCAP core MAC layer and the RPD PHY layer
- Consists of some number of data sessions for sending DOCSIS frames and OOB packets from the RPD to the CCAP core
- UEPI data sessions are created by the same control session as DEPI data sessions

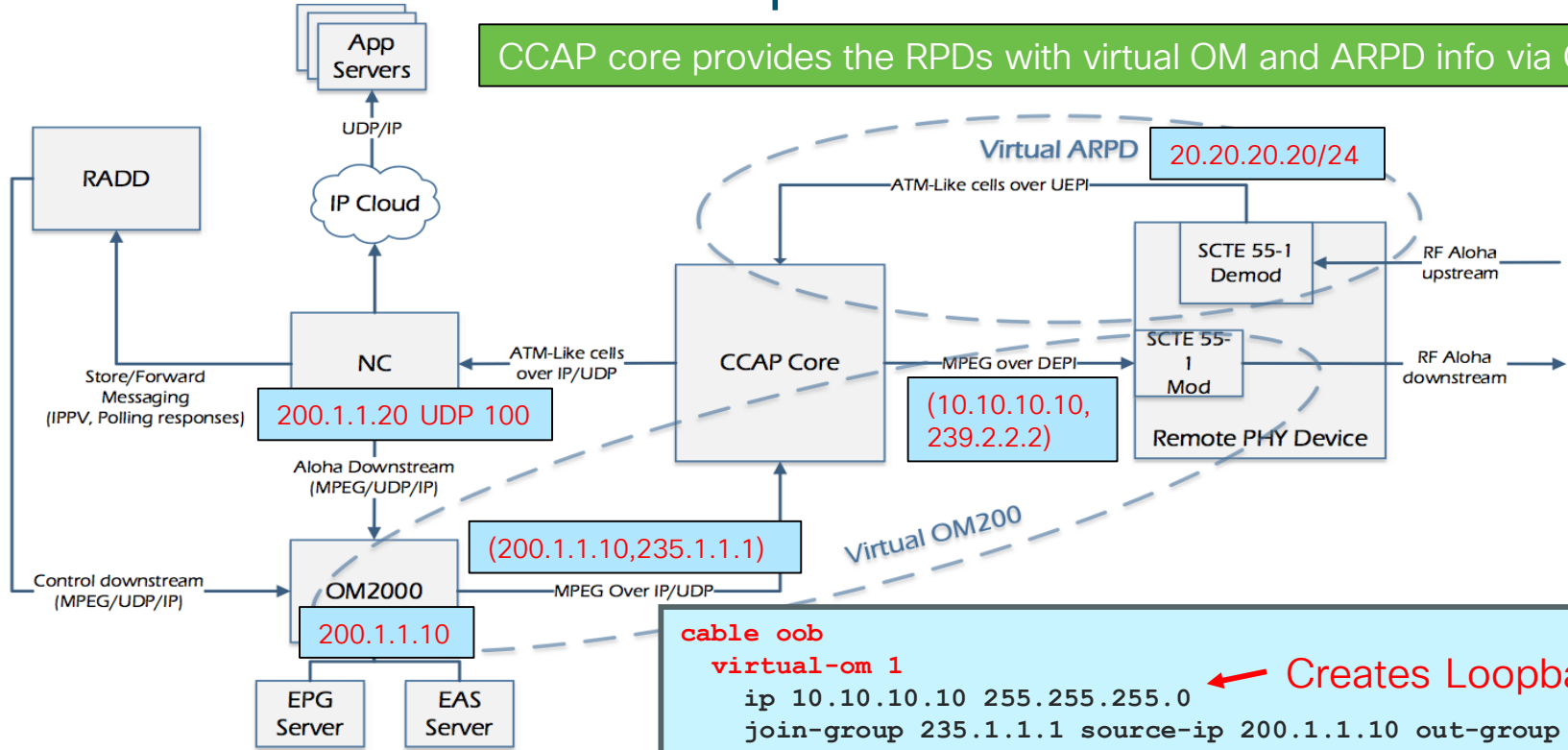
High Availability (HA)

- RPDs connect to both the active LC and standby LC DPICs
- Establish “active” and “standby” GCP and DEPI/UEPI sessions
- Core signals the RPD to switch-over its active connection



55-1 Remote PHY Implementation

CCAP core provides the RPDs with virtual OM and ARPD info via GCP



```

cable oob
virtual-om 1
ip 10.10.10.10 255.255.255.0 ← Creates Loopback2000
join-group 235.1.1.1 source-ip 200.1.1.10 out-group 239.2.2.2
virtual-arpd 1
ip 20.20.20.20 255.255.255.0 ← Creates Loopback1000
nc 200.1.1.20 udp-port 100
source-id 1
    
```

55-1 Configuration - OOB Profiles & RPDs

```
controller downstream-oob 55d1-profile 100
no ds-channel 0 rf-mute
no ds-channel 0 shutdown
ds-channel 0 frequency 70000000
ds-channel 0 poweradjust 0
no ds-channel 0 sf-mute
no ds-channel 0 sf-shutdown
ds-channel 0 second-frequency 130000000
ds-channel 0 sf-poweradjust 10
```

```
cable rpd 1
identifier badb.ad13.419a
core-interface Te7/1/0
principal
rpd-ds 0 downstream-cable 7/0/0 profile 2
rpd-ds 0 downstream-oob-vom 1 profile 100
rpd-us 0 upstream-cable 7/0/0 profile 221
rpd-us 0 upstream-oob-varpd 1 profile 201
rpd-us 1 upstream-oob-varpd 1 profile 202
ptp profile 1
```

```
controller upstream-oob 55d1-profile 201
no us-channel 0 shutdown
us-channel 0 frequency 5216000
us-channel 0 varpd-portid 1 varpd-demodid 0
us-channel 1 shutdown
us-channel 1 frequency 5416000
us-channel 1 varpd-portid 1 varpd-demodid 1
no us-channel 2 shutdown
us-channel 2 frequency 5616000
us-channel 2 varpd-portid 1 varpd-demodid 2
```

```
controller upstream-oob 55d1-profile 202
no us-channel 0 shutdown
us-channel 0 frequency 5816000
us-channel 0 varpd-portid 1 varpd-demodid 0
us-channel 1 shutdown
us-channel 1 frequency 6016000
us-channel 1 varpd-portid 1 varpd-demodid 1
no us-channel 2 shutdown
us-channel 2 frequency 6216000
us-channel 2 varpd-portid 1 varpd-demodid 2
```

55-2 Remote PHY Implementation

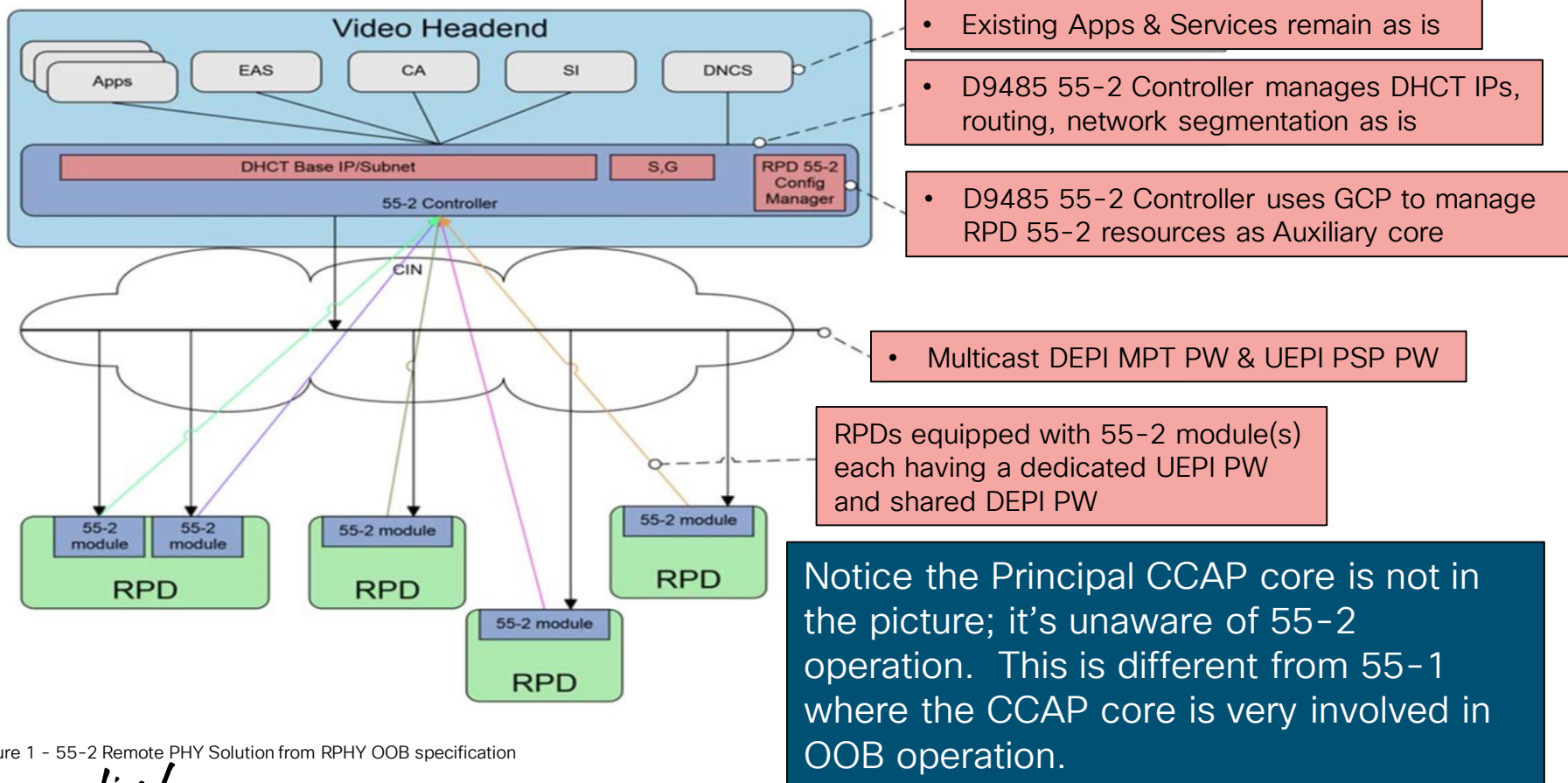


Figure 1 - 55-2 Remote PHY Solution from RPHY OOB specification

55-2 Implementation continued

D9485 Back



D9485 uses Ethernet interface to source 55-2 OOB

```
** Maintenance -> Upgrade **
```

```
0 Back
```

```
|-----|
| System Release | 2_51_37 |
|-----|
```

Configure D9485 to operate in ROOB mode (instead of RF mode); requires a license

```
|-- System Upgrade -----|
```

```
1 | TFTP or HTTP Server | 13.135.8.104 |
  | Upgrade Pathname   | D9485_REL_4P_2_51_33.bin.signed |
  | Target Firmware Type | ROOB |
  | Last attempt at    | Tue Apr 17 15:53:15 2018 |
```

Add D9485 address to DHCP "CCAP Cores" option

```
[17] (dhcp6-cablelabs-  
config)
```

```
cablelabs-17
```

```
(vendor-opts)
```

```
(enterprise-id 4491((syslog-servers 34 2001:420:2280:2008:250:56ff:feb2:126c)  
(rfc868-servers 37 2001:420:2280:2008:250:56ff:feb2:126c)(time-offset 38  
5h)(ccap-cores 61  
2001:db8:cb8:110::2,2001:db8:cb8:10::2,2001:db8:daa:552:2eab:a4ff:feff:f497)))
```

DPIC (CIN) Interface Configuration

```
interface TenGigabitEthernet1/1/0
vrf forwarding lc1_p0
ip address 13.159.20.34 255.255.255.252
load-interval 30
cdp enable
ipv6 address 2001:420:27C1:8FF:FFFF:FFFF:FFFF:FFDE/126
!
interface TenGigabitEthernet0/1/0
vrf forwarding lc0_p0
ip address 13.159.20.2 255.255.255.252
load-interval 30
cdp enable
ipv6 address 2001:420:27C1:8FF:FFFF:FFFF:FFFF:FFFE/126
```

DPIC Interface configuration is fairly straight forward; one option is to put each 10GE in its own VRF

In the case of a Layer 3 CIN default static routes added for each DPIC 10GE VRF pointing to the next hop

```
ip route vrf lc1_p0 0.0.0.0 0.0.0.0 TenGigabitEthernet1/1/0 13.159.20.33
ipv6 route vrf lc1_p0 ::/0 TenGigabitEthernet1/1/0 2001:420:27C1:8FF:FFFF:FFFF:FFFF:FFDD
!
ip route vrf lc0_p0 0.0.0.0 0.0.0.0 TenGigabitEthernet0/1/0 13.159.20.1
ipv6 route vrf lc0_p0 ::/0 TenGigabitEthernet0/1/0 2001:420:27C1:8FF:FFFF:FFFF:FFFF:FFFD
```

Event Profile Configuration

```
cable profile rpd-event 5  
priority emergency 0x3  
priority alert 0x3  
priority critical 0x3  
priority error 0x3  
priority warning 0x3  
priority notice 0x3  
priority informational 0x3  
priority debug 0x3  
enable-notify
```

- Tells the RPD how to report various events
- Set event flags for each priority level
 - 0x0 – no event logging
 - 0x1 – RPD records event to local log
 - 0x2 – RPD reports event to CCAP core
 - 0x3 – RPD records event to local log AND reports event to CCAP core
- “enable notify” MUST be set to report any events

NCS Configuration Examples

```
interface TenGigE0/0/0/23
description RPD port
l2transport
!
interface TenGigE0/0/0/27
description RPD port
l2transport
!
interface BVI1
description RPD subnet
mtu 9126
ipv4 address 13.52.0.81 255.255.255.240
!
l2vpn
bridge group RPDs
bridge-domain RPDs
igmp snooping profile rpd
interface TenGigE0/0/0/23
!
interface TenGigE0/0/0/27
!
routed interface BVI1
!
```

```
interface TenGigE0/0/0/22
description RPD subnet
mtu 9126
ipv6 nd other-config-flag
ipv6 nd managed-config-flag
ipv6 address 2001:db8:daa:5::1/64
ipv6 enable
!
interface TenGigE0/0/0/25
description RPD subnet
mtu 9126
ipv6 nd other-config-flag
ipv6 nd managed-config-flag
ipv6 address 2001:db8:daa::1/64
ipv6 enable
```

Each RPD on its own Layer 3 interface

Common subnet used across RPD facing ports via BVI interface and IRB configuration

NCS Configuration Examples

DHCP Relay example configuration for both IPv4 and IPv6 use cases

```
dhcp ipv4
  profile rpd relay
    helper-address vrf default 172.18.98.57
    helper-address vrf default 172.18.98.59
    relay information option
  !
  interface BVI1 relay profile rpd
!
dhcp ipv6
  profile rpd6 relay
    helper-address vrf default 2001:420:2280:2008:250:56ff:feb2:126c
    helper-address vrf default 2001:420:2280:2008:250:56ff:feb2:48c8
  !
  interface TenGigE0/0/0/22 relay profile rpd6
  interface TenGigE0/0/0/25 relay profile rpd6
!
```

NCS Configuration Examples

10GE interfaces connected
to cBR-8 DPIC ports

```
interface TenGigE0/0/0/2
  description F241-36-05-cBR8-0 Te0/1/0
  cdp
  mtu 9126
  ipv4 address 13.13.0.197 255.255.255.252
  ipv6 address 2001:db8:cb8:10::1/64
  load-interval 30
!
interface TenGigE0/0/0/3
  description F241-36-05-cBR8-0 Te1/1/6
  cdp
  mtu 9126
  ipv4 address 13.13.0.217 255.255.255.252
  ipv6 address 2001:db8:cb8:116::1/64
  load-interval 30
```

IPv4 & IPv6 multicast
enabled on all interfaces

```
multicast-routing
  address-family ipv4
    interface all enable
  !
  address-family ipv6
    interface all enable
  !
  !
igmp snooping profile rpd
```

Operation Simplification Configuration

```
cable profile mac-domain MD1
cable ip-init ipv6
cable dynamic-secret reject
cable privacy mandatory
cable privacy bpi-plus-policy total-
enforcement
```

```
cable profile wideband-interface WB1
load-interval 30
```

```
cable profile downstream DS1
cable rf-bandwidth-percent 20
```



Configure profiles one time

Configure Service Group
topology profile



```
cable profile service-group 24x4
cable bundle 1
mac-domain 0 profile MD1
downstream sg-channel 0 4 8 12 16 20 profile DS1
upstream 0 sg-channel 0
upstream 1 sg-channel 1
upstream 2 sg-channel 2
upstream 3 sg-channel 3
us-bonding-group 1
upstream 0
upstream 1
upstream 2
upstream 3
wideband-interface 0 profile WB1
downstream sg-channel 0-3 rf-bandwidth-percent 1
wideband-interface 1 profile WB1
downstream sg-channel 4-7 rf-bandwidth-percent 1
<snip>
wideband-interface 6 profile WB1
downstream sg-channel 0-7 rf-bandwidth-percent 1
<snip>
```

Operation Simplification Configuration - continued

```
cable fiber-node 1
downstream Downstream-Cable 1/0/0
upstream Upstream-Cable 1/0/0
downstream sg-channel 0 23 downstream-cable 1/0/0 rf-channel 0 23
upstream sg-channel 0 3 Upstream-Cable 1/0/0 us-channel 0 3
service-group profile 24x4
!
cable fiber-node 3
downstream Downstream-Cable 2/0/0
upstream Upstream-Cable 2/0/0
downstream sg-channel 0 23 downstream-cable 2/0/0 rf-channel 0 23
upstream sg-channel 0 3 Upstream-Cable 2/0/0 us-channel 0 3
service-group profile 24x4
```

Configure fiber nodes to reference SG topology

Simplified configuration generated

```
interface Downstream-Cable1/0/0:0
cable bundle 1
cable managed fiber-node 1
```

```
interface Wideband-Cable1/0/0:0
cable bundle 1
cable managed fiber-node 1
cable wideband-profile WB1
```

```
interface Cable1/0/0
cable mac-domain-profile MD1
cable bundle 1
cable managed fiber-node 1
```

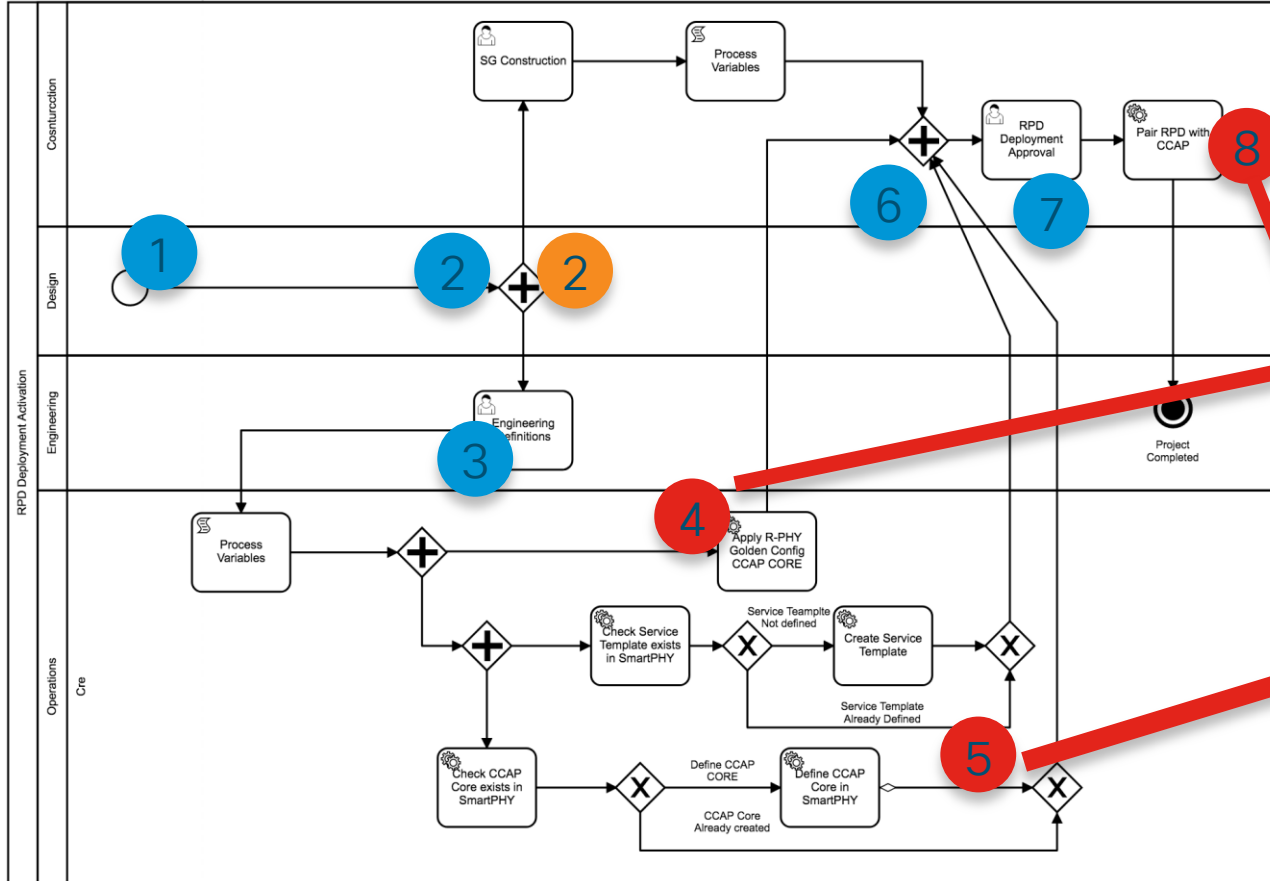
PTP related FAQs

- Will RPDs work when there's a large delay to the PTP Master?
In most cases yes, note RPD to PTP master latency is independent from RPD to CCAP core latency. Also Path Delay Variation (PDV) tends to be much more critical than end-to-end latency, a $PDV \leq 10ms$ is required
- When would I need to use PTP Boundary clocks?
One major reason is to enable scale as there's a limited # of unicast sessions supported on the PTP Master; most Cisco platforms are limited to 64 clients
- Why G.8275.2?
The unspecified default profile has no guarantees for timing goal, end-to-end budget, performance requirements, network model, etc.
- Does my Grandmaster clock need to have external timing?
RPD and cores should work without external timing however there can be issues recovering from service disruption; also needed when using redundant sources
- What are the requirements for redundant clock sources?
Need a common GM and/or have external timing (i.e. GNSS); for G.8275.2 need to configure the cBR-8 as a Boundary Clock to enable multiple clock ports

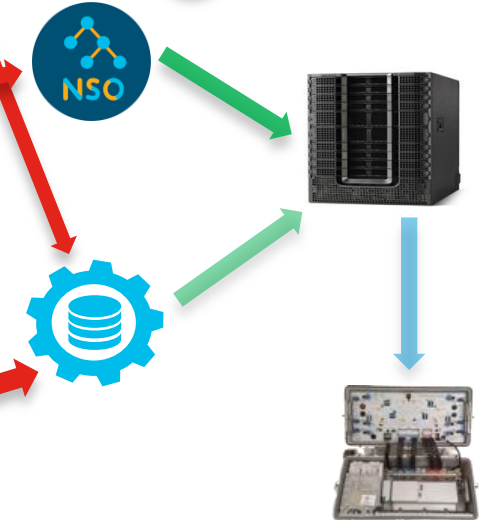
Miscellaneous FAQs

- What can cause modems to get stuck in the init(o) state when using R-PHY?
Could be caused by a MTU limitation in the CIN; recommend increasing to at least 2350 bytes. Improper MTU settings can also cause poor throughput.
- RPD is online but no modems are showing up?
Possible reasons include: missing MAC domain configs, no route to the RPD subnet via the DPIC, issue with multicast operation in the CIN, RPD & Core not synched to a common PTP source, longer Core to RPD distance requiring DLM, issue with the GS7K configuration (missing pads, wrong setting for FCM or RCM, etc.)
- Can I enable my existing GS7000 nodes to support R-PHY?
Yes, but will need to replace the Optical Interface Board (OIB) as well as the Forward & Reverse Configuration Modules (FCMs/RCMs). The OIB can be replaced on its own but its easier to simply replace the whole lid containing the proper OIB.
- Why do I see high throughput on the DPIC ports when there's no modems or STBs?
Most likely due to the existence of Video QAMs in the downstream controller; Video uses DEPI MPT mode which sends a steady stream of MPEG packets to the RPDs.

Automated RPD Deployment: Workflow



- Manual/Form Task
- API Call
- External Notification





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