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Survey of Redfish Opensource Implementations

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DMTF and Redfish Service Implementations



- DMTF develops interfaces standards which expose manageability (e.g. Redfish)
- DMTF policy is to be implementation neutral thus encouraging innovation below the interface. (DMTF Alliance Partners may not have such a policy)
- Redfish service implementations exists as firmware and as hosted software agents

Implementation	Language	Auto-generated using	Repo owner
OpenBMC	C++ (firmware)		Linux Foundation
Swordfish Emulator	Python (SW agent)	mockup, CSDL schema	SNIA
Redfish Service Framework	Java	mockup, OpenAPI schema	PICMG/ASU
PSME	C++ (SW agent)		ОСР
Device Manager	GoLang (SW agent)		ОСР



OpenBMC Project



- A Linux Foundation project whose goal is to produce a customizable, open-source firmware stack for Baseboard Management Controllers (BMCs).
 - A BMC is a specialized controller embedded on the baseboard which may be operational when the rest of the baseboard is not (out-of-band)

Features:

- Uses the Yocto Project as the underlying building and distribution generation
- Uses D-Bus as an inter-process communication (IPC)
- Includes a web application for interacting with the firmware stack (WebUI)

https://openbmc.org (LF in 2018) https://github.com/openbmc/openbmc/wiki



Software Agent Implementation - Python

- Redfish Emulator (2016)
 - Simple simulators: Mockup-Server (get) and Profile-Simulator (patch)
 - Emulator envisioned for rapidly prototyping of new interface behavior
 - Includes code generator for emulator stubs
 - Cloud Foundry deployable
- Swordfish Emulator (2018)
 - SNIA extends modelling any resource
 - Used to prototype managing NVMe-over-Fiber
- OpenFabrics Mgmt Frmwk (2021)
 - Base from the framework is being developed
- NVMe Redfish Service on Linux, RHEL (2023)







github.com/dmtf/Redfish-Interface-Emulator github.com/snia/Swordfish-API-Emulator



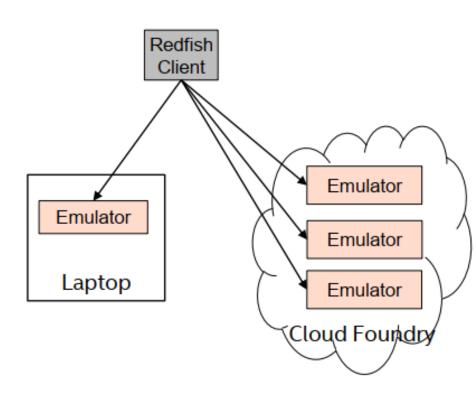
Swordfish Service Capabilities

Redfish Emulator

- Multiple methods of instantiation hosted as standalone, in a cloud foundry, or as docker container
- Dynamic emulation of schema objects (circa 2016)
- Auto-generate Python code from mockups

Swordfish Emulator

- Dynamic emulation of all schema objects in all URI locations
- Auto-generate Python code from any valid Redfish conformant schema
- Supports basic auth, sessions, certificates
- Supports Redfish services: Account (Admin only), Event (WIP), Session
- Service targeted to pass SNIA conformance tests

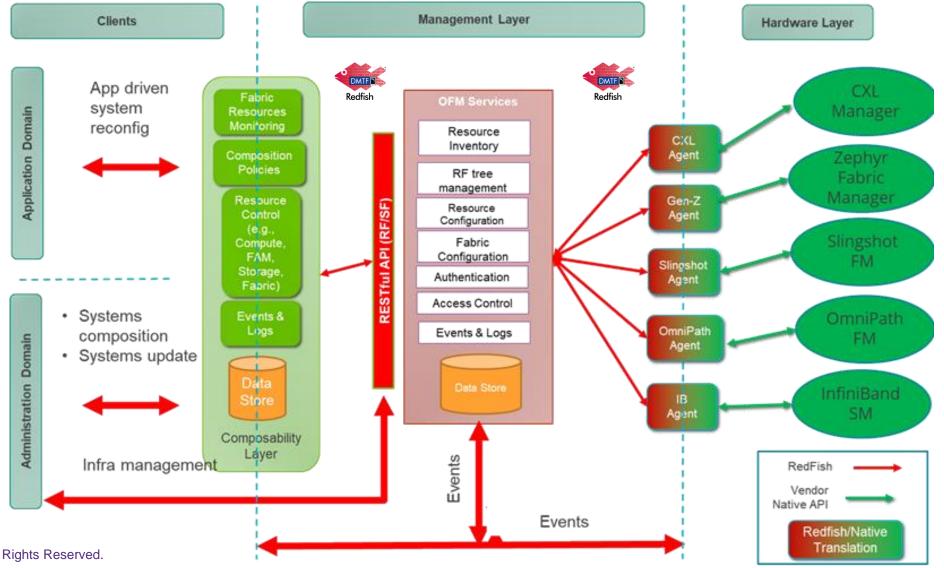




OpenFabrics Management Framework



https://www.openfabrics.org/openfabrics-management-framework



NVMe Redfish Service on Redhat RHEL Linux



Start with Swordfish emulator framework

- RedfishF/Swordfish structure: service, metadata
- Core services: account service, session service, event service
- Stubs and template for all object types
- Persistent database

Added

- Startup / discovery
- Fills in stubs for relevant objects (removes all unneeded objects)

Availability

In the process of making public



Software Agent Implementation - Java



- PICMG is extending the Redfish model to support Industrial IoT
 - "PICMG Announces Significant Progress of IoT.X Family of Sensor Data Modeling and Abstraction Specifications"
- Redfish Service Framework
 - Functional Redfish Service generated from Redfish mockups and schema (OpenAPI)
 - Static behavior is auto-generated. Special behaviors like actions are stubbed out - when one implements the server, the actions can be coded
 - Implemented by ASU students so that we could play with customizing the dynamic features for our new objects.

https://www.picmg.org/picmg-announces-significant-progress-of-iot-x-family-of-sensor-data-modeling-and-abstraction-specifications/



Software Agent Implementation - C++

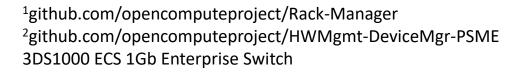
- OCP Rack Scale PSME (2019)¹
 - Contribute by Intel (Pooled System Management Engine)

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- OCP Device Manager PSME (2021)²
 - Contributed by Edgecore Networks (2021) along with Device Manager
 - Celestica fixes build and fixes issues with baseline profile conformance (2022)
 - Celestica contributed a design spec for a platform which would fulfill the manageability requirements via the software agent



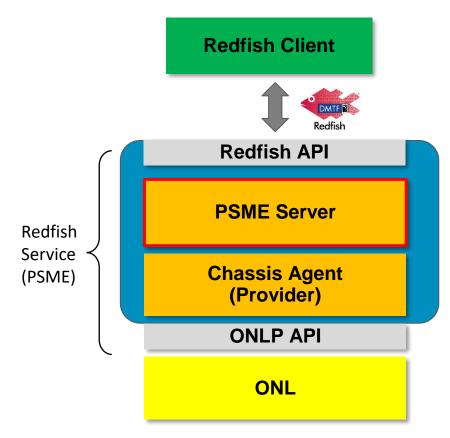






PSME Redfish Service

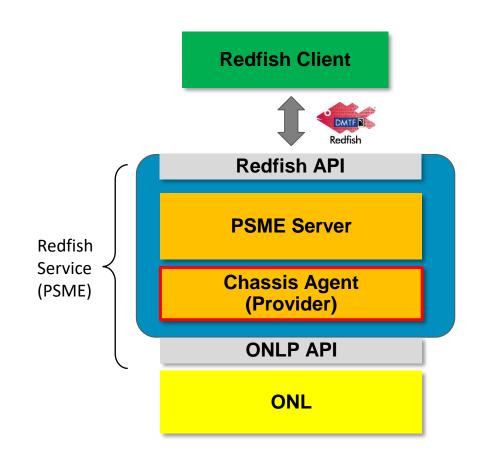
- PSME executes on ONL (Open Network Linux)¹
 - Compose of PSME Server and Chassis Agent
- The PSME Server supports the Redfish interface and model
 - Requests information from and invokes actions on resources
- The PSME Server supports the Event Service
 - Redfish Clients may launch an event listener and subscribe for events to be sent to that event listener
 - Supports subscriptions for the ResourceAdd, ResourceRemove, and Alert type events





Chassis Agent

- Gathers peripheral information about thermal/fan/PSU/port transceiver statistics through ONLP API¹
- Sends to PSME Server
- While gathering peripheral information, agent will check for posted event, and send these events to the PSME Server.



¹Open Network Linux Platform APIs provide a common, consistent abstraction interface for accessing important platform assets such as SFPs, PSUs, Fans, Thermals, LEDs, and ONIE storage devices.



Software Agent Implementation - GoLang

- OCP Device Manager
 - EdgeCore Networks (2021)
 - Contribution to OCP bundled with Edge-core's PSME
 - Build of source was problematic
 - Intel (2022-2023)
 - Cleaned up the build
 - Added Redfish northbound interface
- Linux Foundation ODIM (Open Distributed Infrastructure Mgmt)









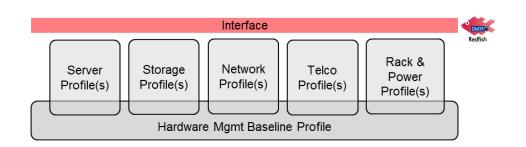
https://github.com/opencomputeproject/HWMgmt-DeviceMgr-DeviceManager https://odim.io

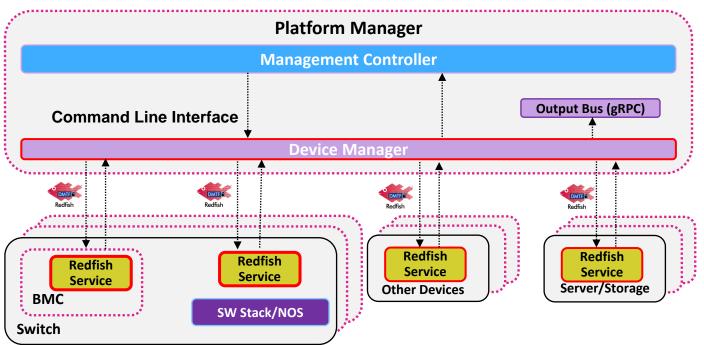


Device Manager initial contribution



- Developed to manage platforms hosting Redfish Service(s) conformant to the OCP Baseline profile
- Exposed a command line interface



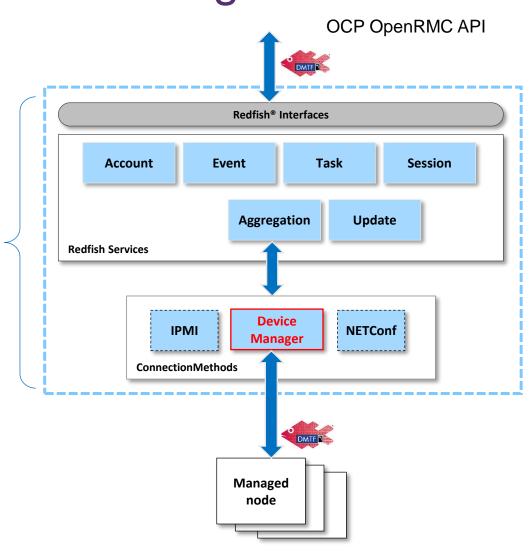




Adding Redfish interface for Device Manager

ODIM

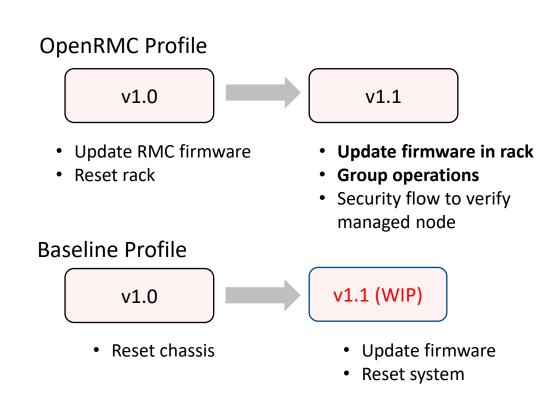
- OCP rack manager API (OpenRMC) required a northbound Redfish interface
- ODIM had a Redfish interface implementation for managing a distributed infrastructure (GoLang)
 - Account, Event, Task, and Session base services
 - Aggregation (group operations) and Update services (firmware)
 - Plugin architecture for connection methods





Next steps for Device Manager

- Conform to OpenRMC v1.0, then v1.1¹
- Conform to Redfish Conformance Suite
 - Service-Validator
 - Protocol-Validator
- Support future revisions of OpenRMC rack manager interface be specified in the OpenRMC-DM subproject²

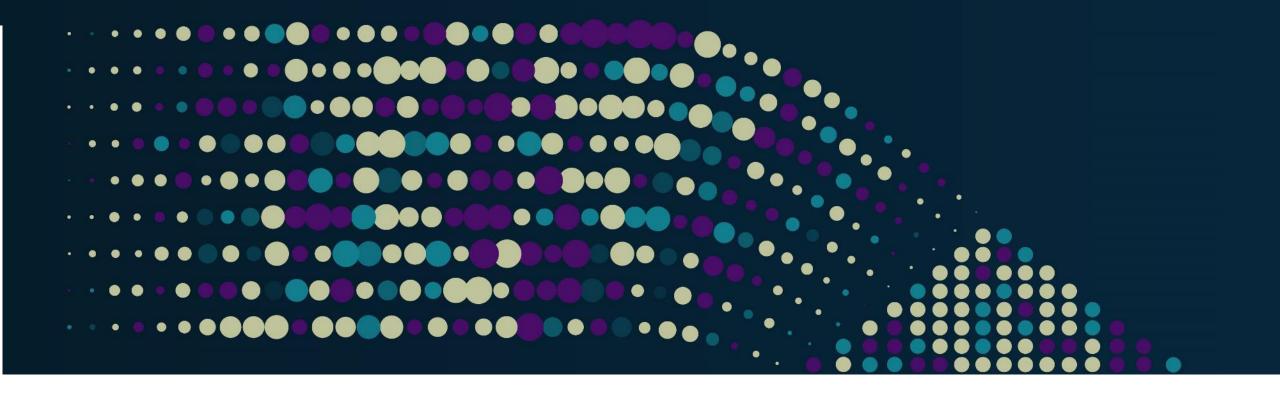


¹Contributed OpenRMC specifications - https://www.opencompute.org/contributions?query=openrmc%20usage
²OpenRMC-DM subproject - https://www.opencompute.org/projects/openrmc-dm



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