Abstract

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1. Introduction

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A "factory-default" read-only datastore is defined, that contains the data to replace the contents of implemented read-write conventional configuration datastores at reset. This datastore can also be used in <get-data> operation.
NETCONF defines the <delete-config> RPC operation, but that only acts on the <startup-datastore>, whereas the <factory-reset> RPC operation can perform additional changes to the device to fully reset the device back to a factory-default state.

The YANG data model in this document conforms to the Network Management Datastore Architecture defined in [RFC8342].

1.1. Terminology

The key words "MUST", "MUST NOT", "REQUIRED", "SHALL", "SHALL NOT", "SHOULD", "SHOULD NOT", "RECOMMENDED", "NOT RECOMMENDED", "MAY", and "OPTIONAL" in this document are to be interpreted as described in BCP 14 [RFC2119] [RFC8174] when, and only when, they appear in all capitals, as shown here.

The following terms are defined in [RFC8342] [RFC7950] and are not redefined here:

- server
- startup configuration datastore
- candidate configuration datastore
- running configuration datastore
- intended configuration datastore
- operational state datastore
- conventional configuration datastore
- RPC operation

The following terms are defined in this document as follows:

- factory-default datastore: A read-only configuration datastore holding a preconfigured minimal initial configuration that can be used to initialize the configuration of a server. The content of the datastore is usually static, but MAY depend on external factors like available HW.

2. Factory-Reset RPC

A new "factory-reset" RPC is introduced. Upon receiving the RPC
All supported conventional read-write configuration datastores (i.e. <running>, <startup>, and <candidate>) are all reset to the contents of <factory-default>.

Read-only datastores receive their content from other datastores (e.g. <intended> gets its content from <running>).

All data in any ephemeral datastores MUST be discarded.

The contents of the <operational> datastore MUST be reset back to an appropriate factory-default state.

In addition, the "factory-reset" RPC MUST restore storage to factory condition, including remove log files, remove temporary files (from datastore or elsewhere). It MUST also remove security credentials and restoring default security settings including remove certificates, keys, zero passwords, etc. The process invoked by the "factory-reset" RPC SHOULD zero/pattern-write than remove sensitive files such as the TLS keys, configuration stores, etc. The "factory-reset" RPC MAY also be used to trigger some other resetting tasks such as restarting the node or some of the software processes.

Note that operators should be aware that since all read-write datastores are immediately reset to factory default, the device may become unreachable on the network. It is important to understand how a given vendor’s device will behave after the RPC is executed. Implementors SHOULD reboot the device or otherwise restart processes needed to bootstrap it.

3. Factory-Default datastore

Following guidelines for defining Datastores in the appendix A of [RFC8342], this document introduces a new optional datastore resource named ‘factory-default’ that represents a preconfigured minimal initial configuration that can be used to initialize the configuration of a server. A device MAY only implement the <factory-reset> RPC without implementing the ‘factory-default’ datastore, which make it lose the ability to see what configuration the device would be reset back to.

- Name: "factory-default"
- YANG modules: all
- YANG nodes: all "config true" data nodes
- Management operations: The content of the datastore is set by the server in an implementation dependent manner. The content can not
be changed by management operations via NETCONF, RESTCONF, the CLI etc unless specialized, dedicated operations are provided. The datastore can be read using the standard NETCONF/RESTCONF protocol operations. The <factory-reset> operation copies the factory default content to <running> and, if present, <startup> and then the content of these datastores is propagated automatically to any other read only datastores, e.g., <intended> and <operational>.

- **Origin:** This document does not define a new origin identity as it does not interact with <operational> datastore.

- **Protocols:** RESTCONF, NETCONF and other management protocol.

- **Defining YANG module:** "ietf-factory-default".

The datastore content is usually defined by the device vendor. It is usually static, but MAY change e.g., depending on external factors like HW available or during device upgrade.

The contents of <factory-default> MUST persist across device restarts.

4. YANG Module

This module imports typedefs from [RFC8342], and it references [RFC6421],[RFC8341].

```
<CODE BEGINS> file "ietf-factory-default@2019-11-27.yang"
module ietf-factory-default {
  yang-version 1.1;
  namespace "urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:yang:ietf-factory-default";
  prefix fd;

  import ietf-datastores {
    prefix ds;
  }
  import ietf-netconf-acm {
    prefix nacm;
  }

  organization
    "IETF NETMOD (Network Modeling) Working Group"
  contact
    "WG Web:   <https://tools.ietf.org/wg/netconf/>
    WG List:  <mailto:netconf@ietf.org>
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```

This module defines the
- factory-reset RPC
- factory-default datastore

It provides functionality to reset a server to its
factory-default content.

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revision 2019-11-27 {
  description
    "Initial revision.";
  reference
    "RFC XXXX: Factory default Setting";
}

feature factory-default-datastore {
  description
    "Indicates that the factory default configuration is
     available as a datastore.";
}

rpc factory-reset {
  nacm:default-deny-all;
  description
    "The server resets the content of all read-write
     configuration datastores (i.e.,<running>, <startup>, and
     <candidate>) to their factory default content.";
}

identity factory-default {
  if-feature "factory-default-datastore";
base ds:datastore;
description
 "This read-only datastore contains the configuration data used to
 replace the contents of the read-write conventional configuration
 datastores during a factory-reset RPC operation.";
}
}

<CODE ENDS>

5. IANA Considerations

This document registers one URI in the IETF XML Registry [RFC3688].
The following registration has been made:


Registrant Contact: The IESG.

XML: N/A, the requested URI is an XML namespace.

This document registers one YANG module in the YANG Module Names
Registry [RFC6020]. The following registration has been made:

name: ietf-factory-default


prefix: fd

RFC: xxxx

6. Security Considerations

The YANG module defined in this document extends the base operations
for NETCONF [RFC6241] and RESTCONF [RFC8040]. The lowest NETCONF
layer is the secure transport layer, and the mandatory-to-implement
secure transport is Secure Shell (SSH) [RFC6242]. The lowest
RESTCONF layer is HTTPS, and the mandatory-to-implement secure
secure transport is TLS [RFC8446].

The <factory-reset> RPC operation may be considered sensitive in some
network environments, e.g., remote access to reset the device or
overwrite security sensitive information in one of the other
datastores, e.g. running, therefore it is important to restrict
access to this RPC using the standard access control methods.

[RFC8341]

The ‘factory-reset’ RPC can prevent any further management of the
device if the session and client config is included in the factory-
reset contents.

The operational disruption caused by setting the config to factory-
reset contents varies greatly depending on the implementation and
current config.

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9.2. Informative References

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Appendix A. Changes between revisions

Editorial Note (To be removed by RFC Editor)

v08 - 09

o Provide some guideline for operators and implementor who implement factory default method.

v07 - 08

o Provide clarification and recommendation on the relationship between factory-reset RPC and reboot.

o Nits fixed based on YANG Doctor Review.

v06 - 07

o Remove Factory-default content specification;

o Remove reference to YANG instance data file format and zero touch provision [RFC8573];

o Remove copy-config operation extension on factory-default datastore

v05 - 06

o Additional text to enhance security section.

o Add nacm:default-deny-all on "factory-reset" RPC.

o A few clarification on Factory-default content specification.

v03 - 04
- Additional text to clarify factory-reset RPC usage.

v02 - v03

- Update security consideration section.

v01 - v02

- Address security issue in the security consideration section.

- Remove an extension to the NETCONF <copy-config> operation which allows it to operate on the factory-default datastore.

- Add an extension to the NETCONF <get-config> operation which allows it to operate on the factory-default datastore.

v00 - v01

- Change YANG server into server defined in NMDA architecture based on discussion.

- Allow reset the content of all read-write configuration datastores to its factory-default content except <candidate>.

- Add clarification text on factory-reset protocol operation behavior.

v03 - v00

- Change draft name from draft-wu to draft-ietf-netmod-factory-default-00 without content changes.

v02 - v03

- Change reset-datastore RPC into factory-reset RPC to allow reset the whole device with factory default content.

- Remove target datastore parameter from factory-reset RPC.

- Other editorial changes.

v01 - v02

- Add copy-config based on Rob’s comment.

- Reference Update.

v03 - v00 - v01
o Changed name from draft-wu-netconf-restconf-factory-restore to
draft-wu-netmod-factory-default

o Removed copy-config; reset-datastore is enough

v02 - v03

o Restructured

o Made new datastore optional

o Removed Netconf capability

o Listed Open issues

v01 - v02

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