Management Architecture and Requirements for FTTdp

BBF/SIEPON Joint Workshop

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Current Status of WT-318 in BBF

- WT-318 Management Architecture and Requirements for FTTdp
 - Dependent upon WT-301.
 - Encompasses three backhaul types: PON, GbE, bonded VDSL2.
 - Encompasses three copper drop technologies: G.fast, VDSL2 & Copper Ethernet.
 - Introduces the concept of a Persistent Management Agent (PMA).
 - Defines a set of mandatory monitoring parameters for DPUs supporting VDSL2 interfaces.
- Good progress made at FTTdp joint session meeting 25th June 2014
 - Agreement on common management architecture for IP aware & IP unaware DPUs.
 - PMA acts as interworking point between legacy management protocols & PMA-DPU management.
 - Single data model for the DPU (excluding backhaul technology) will be defined by the BBF independent of backhaul technology.
 - DPU relay to be used to transfer the management PDUs from Layer 3 to Layer 2 for those DPUs which are IP unaware.
 - Strawman agreement that PMA-DPU management protocol should be Netconf/Yang.



Why do you need a PMA and what is it?

- When DPU is reverse powered and when all customers turn off their modem, the DPU will power down.
- How do you tell difference between a DPU powering down is due to customer power off, or a fault?
- How do you handle order journey/ faulting processes while DPU is off?
- How do you collect performance metrics while DPU is off?
- How do you handle profile changes while DPU is off?
- Use PMA (Persistent Management Agent).
 - PMA is located in an always powered environment and handles communication between the OSS and DPU.
 - PMA is available to store information related to configuration changes, power status changes etc. and always available to communicate with.
 - PMA automatically communicates with the DPU when it is powered up.



Overall PMA Architecture



Note: This diagram is taken from WT-301



Functional Components



Note: This diagram is taken from WT-301 (EOC extension may not be done)



PMA Concepts

- There is one and only one PMA per DPU, but there can be a PMA Aggregator.
- The PMA must support all OSS/NMS management actions on a given DPU irrespective of whether that DPU (or any of its lines) is powered up.
- The PMA must be able to report the current power state of its DPU, and each line, on request.
- The PMA must spontaneously report to the EMS whenever its DPU is powered down and powered up.
- The PMA must store all commands, configuration changes, firmware downloads etc. until they have been actioned and reported to the EMS, or removed by the EMS as described below.
- The PMA must action all stored tasks that have not been superseded as soon as the DPU and/or appropriate individual line are powered up.
- The PMA must change the status of stored tasks when they have been attempted to 'complete' or 'failed'.
- The PMA must report to the EMS the status of stored tasks as soon as they have been attempted.
- Successful and reported actions must result in the automatic removal of the associated stored items in the PMA.
- It must be possible for the EMS to delete specific stored tasks for a given PMA, and all such items (with a single command), irrespective of whether they have been actioned. It must also be possible for the EMS to do this for a group of PMAs.
- The PMA must be able to pass on events reported by the DPU.



Architecture Applied to IP Aware DPU



Architecture Applied to IP Unaware DPU



Example Low Impact Use Case





Points agreed by BBF so far ...

- PMA required to provide capability to manage DPU that can turn off at any time.
- Single management protocol to operate between the PMA and the DPU
- Management protocol operates over IP to manage IP-aware DPUs
- Management protocol operates via a DPU relay to manage IP-unaware DPUs (DPU relay transfers management PDUs between Layers 3 and 2)
- BBF to define a single management model for the DPU (excluding the backhaul technology).



Issues to be addressed / agreed ...

- Management of backhaul technology.
- Definition of the DPU data model.
- Performance Metrics collection.
- Final agreement on protocol 'A' (i.e. Netconf?)

