

Implemented M-plane Features

| Feature name | Ref. Chapter O- RAN.WG4.MP.0- R003- v17.01 | Description | Comment |
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| Secure Shell (SSH) | 5.4.2 | Establishes an encrypted connection for terminal access, file transfers (via SCP/SFTP), and tunnelling, using key-based or password authentication. | |
| File Transfer Protocol (SFTP, FTPeS) | 5.4.4 | Network protocol that enables secure file transfers over SSH. | |
| Transport establishment O-RU | 6.2.1 | IP address exchange between RU and DU/SMO, to prepare for TCP connection establishment. | Automatic exchange on 10G port, manual on 1G port. |
| identification in DHCP | 6.2.2 | RU obtains IP address from DHCP server. | |
| Management plane VLAN discovery aspects | 6.2.3 | RU discovers the VLAN ID used for M-plane | |
| O-RU management plane IP address assignment | 6.2.4 | O-RU gets IP address from either DHCPv4 or DHCPv6 server | |
| O-RU controller discovery | 6.2.5 | O-RU discovers the O-RU controller by reading the DHCP offer fields | |
| NETCONF Call Home | 6.3 | The O-RU (NETCONF server) initiates a secure connection to a predefined set of NETCONF clients. | |
| Password based NETCONF authentication over SSH | 6.4.2 | User defined password as authentication mechanisms for establishing NETCONF sessions between the O-RU and NETCONF clients. | Currently only password based authentication is supported. |
| User account provisioning | 6.4.3 | Enables a NETCONF client with appropriate privileges to create, configure, and manage user accounts on the O-RU, specifying parameters such as username, password, authentication method (password, certificate, or SSH public key), privilege group, and account status. | Currently only password based authentication is supported. |
| NETCONF access control | 6.5 | The NETCONF access control mechanism enables the NETCONF server to limit some operations for one client but allow full access for another client. | |
| NETCONF capability discovery | 6.6, 9.2 | NETCONF capabilities O-RU sends in the NETCONF Hello message, including the framework for optional feature handling. | |
| Monitoring NETCONF connectivity | 6.7 | A NETCONF client that has subscribed to receive the supervision-notification, the O-RU operates watchdog timers (supervision timer and notification timer) to ensure that the session to the NETCONF client is persistent. | |

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| Closing a NETCONF session | 6.8 | A NETCONF client closes an existing NETCONF session by issuing the RPC close-session command. | |
| Transceiver (SFP) management | 7.2, 7.11 | SFP identification, monitoring and bandwidth management. | Notification not supported |
| C/U-Plane VLAN configuration | 7.3 | VLAN tagging of C/U data stream. | |
| Definition of processing elements | 7.5 | Needed to uniquely associate specific transport flows during traffic configuration. | Implemented processing element definition based on VLAN and MAC, other options not supported. |
| Delay parameters report | 7.7.2 | Store and report RU delay profile. | |
| Software management | 8 | A set of operations allowing the desired software package to be downloaded, files to be installed and slot containing installed software to be activated at O-RU. | |
| Config. Management - NETCONF operations | 9.1.1 | Set of NETCONF operations for managing O-RU's configurable parameters (datastore). | |
| Config. Management - Retrieve state | 9.1.2, 9.1.4 | Support for NETCONF and commands. | |
| Config. Management - Modify state | 9.1.3 | Control and monitoring of O-RU state as defined in ietf-hardware yang model, the states are: admin-state, power-state, oper-state, availability-state, usage-state. | |
| Config. Management - Modify parameters | 9.1.5, 9.1.6, 9.1.8 | Modify or delete configuration parameters (support for NETCONF command). | |
| Notification framework - dynamic | 9.1.7 | Framework which enables users to subscribe to O-RU's notifications. | |
| M-Plane operational state | 9.3 | Handling of client information (e.g. IP address). | |
| Resetting O-RU | 9.5 | Restart procedure initiated by NETCONF client (O-RU controller) or O-RU itself. | |
| Fault management framework | 11.2, 11.3, 11.4 | Handles alarm subscription and sends alarm notifications to subscribers. | |
| File upload | 12.3 | File upload mechanism using sFTP server. | |
| Sync status | 13.2 | Reporting synchronisation status of O-RU (LOCKED, HOLDOVER, FREERUN). | |

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| Troubleshooting log management | 14.2.2 | Collection of all available logs in RU. | |
| Retrieval of O-RU information | 15.1 | Retrieval of functional RU capabilities needed for U-plane configuration. | |
| U-Plane endpoint addressing | 15.2.3 | The eAxC_ID assignment. | |
| Carrier configuration | 15.3 | Carrier creation, activation and deactivation (U-plane traffic setup procedure). | |
| Received power measurements for shared spectrum bands | 21 | In case of shared spectrum (e.g. CBRS), measuring received power can be used to assess usage level of the shared spectrum. | |
