

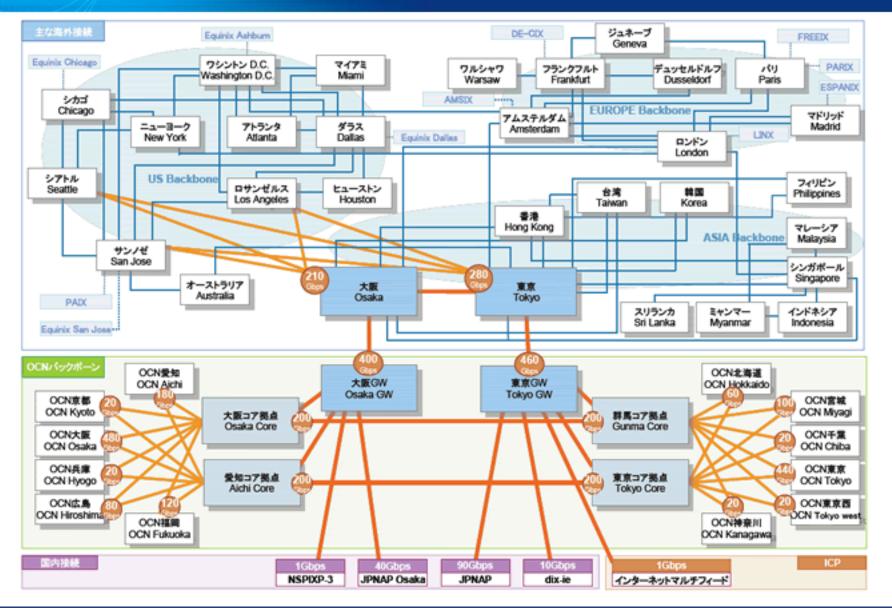
NTT Global IP Network Configuration Tools Overview

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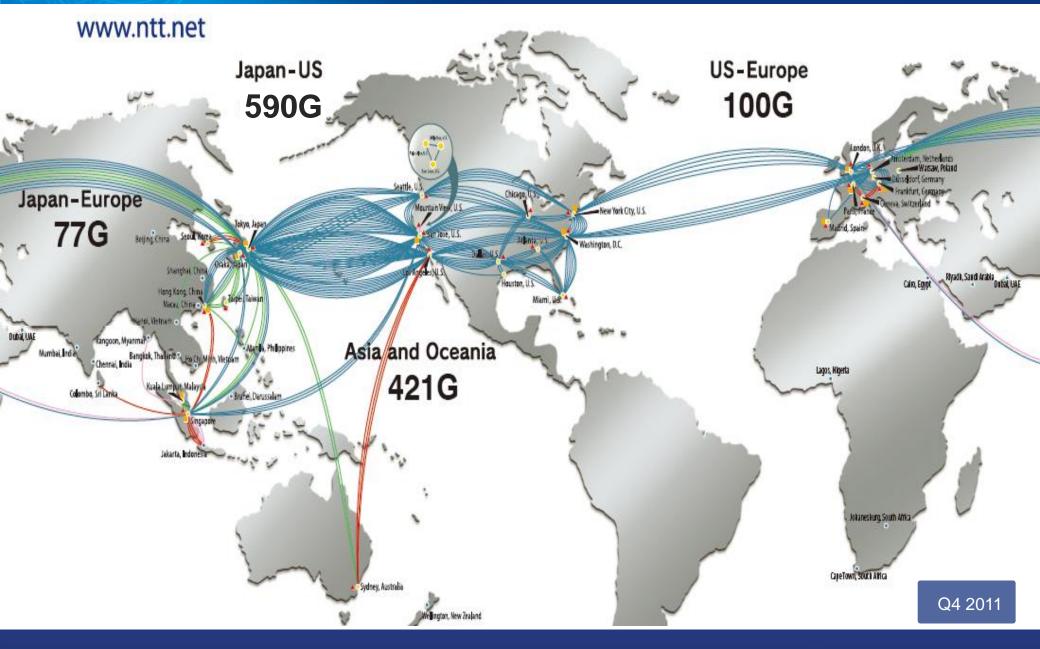
What is the NTT Global IP Network?





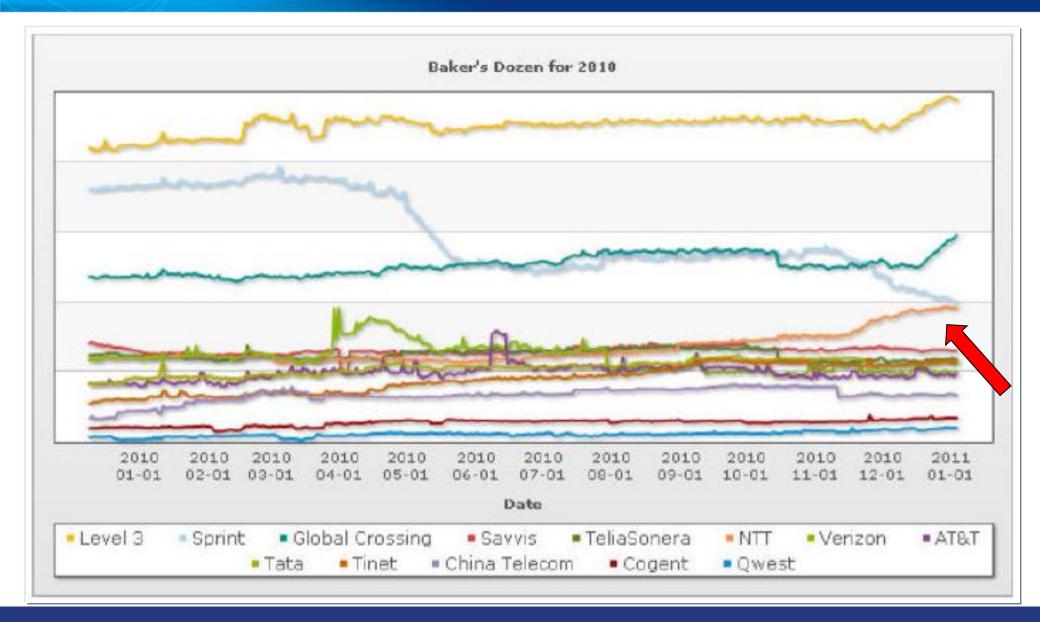
NTT Global IP Network (AS2914)





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Introduction



NTT GIN Philosophy

- IP Transit pricing experiences a consistent downward pressure.
 - Underlying costs must be managed in a similar fashion
- Operating Expenses are kept low through a large degree of automation

Configuration Tools Overview

- SQL database driven
- SQL-derived data is transformed through platform specific templates
- Automated deployment of changes
- All configuration is driven from server
 - No persistent manual configuration on devices

Configtools History



- Original M4 templates created by Randy Bush at rain.net.
- 1997, Verio added additional functionality based on irrtoolset.
- 1998, SQL database and Perl code were added

- Over time data was migrated from flat files to SQL
- Eventually perl became a bottleneck and was replaced with C code (including custom m4 parser).

What is the technology?

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- PostgreSQL
- GNU Make
- M4 macros
- bgptool homegrown binary
 - Includes custom M4 processor
- Custom scripts built on RANCID for pushing configurations to routers

What is in the templates?



- Standard ACLs
- Standard device parameters
 - AAA configuration
 - SNMP
 - Logging
- Interface parameters
- Routing policy

Can include router OS
 version dependent options

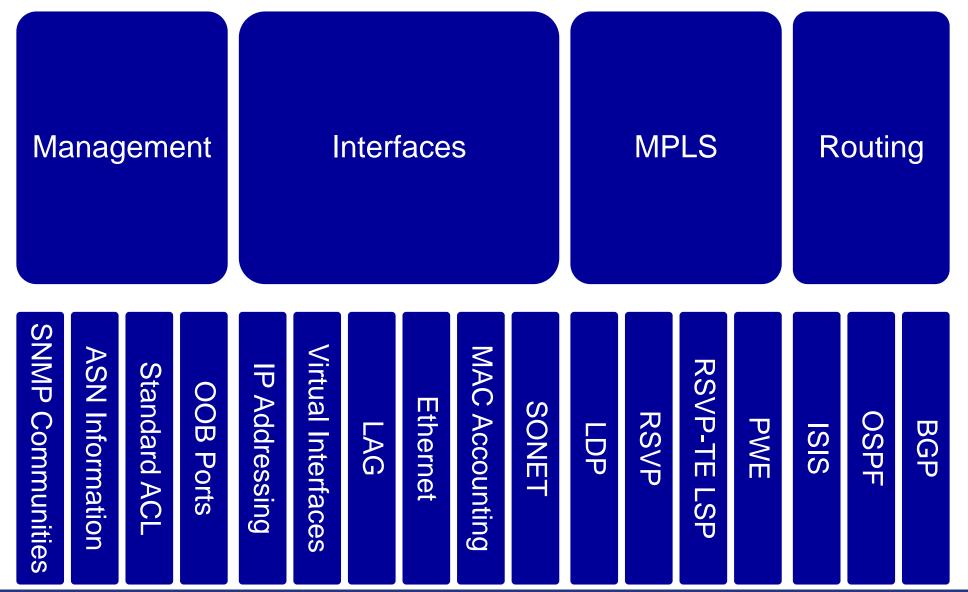
What are the router requirements?



- SSH access
- Ability to retrieve files via FTP
- Commit/roll back/roll forward capapility
- Ability to directly manipulate the startup configuration
- Text-based configuration storage

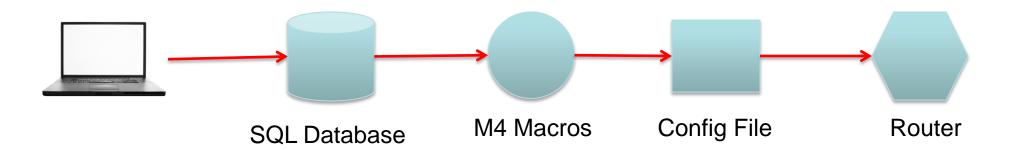
What's in the Configtools database?





Config Tools Workflow





- 1. User enters config changes via Web UI or CLI
- 2. User initiates config build via UNIX make command on configuration server
- 3. User initiates config push via UNIX command
 - 1. Router is contacted by script via SSH
 - 2. Router requests configuration from server via FTP
 - 3. Configuration is committed

What are the benefits of doing this?



- Lower staffing requirements
- Lower error rates
 - Lower risk of catastrophic errors
- Rapid service delivery

 Rapid service migration
- Automated service
 delivery
- Minimize peer review

- Configuration consistency
- Reporting

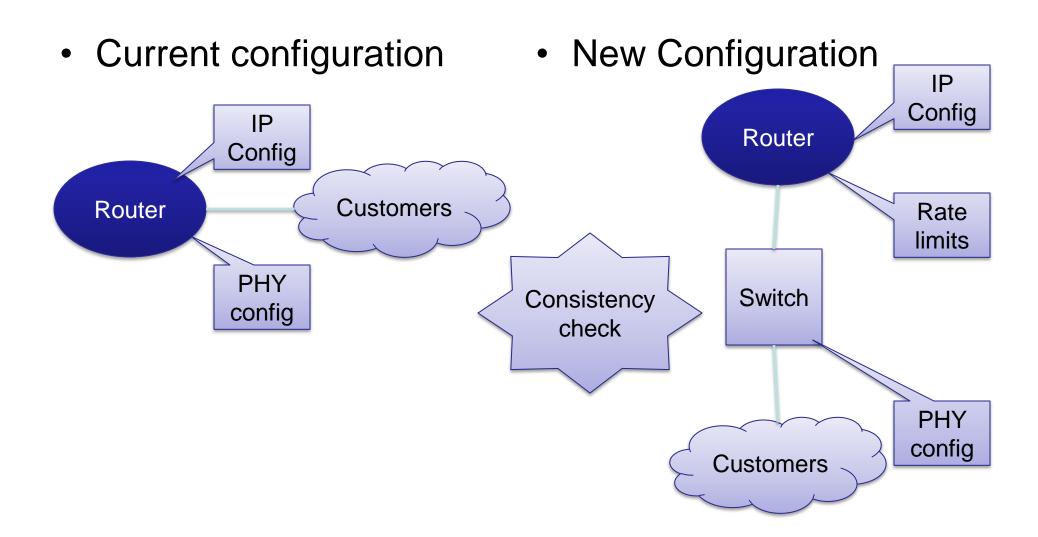
What kind of applications does this enable?



- Automatic customer BGP ACL and max prefix updates
- Tool to load peer/customer configurations on IOS
 - All relevant config (ie. interface, BGP neighbor, policy) is loaded via 'copy ftp: running-config
- Mass update of RSVP-TE LSPs
- Bulk move of interfaces/sub-interfaces
- Seeding of other systems with data (stats system, monitoring system, etc.)
- Complex configurations across multiple devices

Mini-switch provisioning





What are we working on for the future

- Integration with OSS system
- Linecard/module awareness





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Questions?

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