

Hardware Platform Requirements

See also: [Hardware Platform Enablement In ONAP](#)

Can we use the TOSCA Specs Normatives with the HPA requirements?

Overview of the existing TOSCA Specs Normatives

```
capability_types:

tosca.capabilities.Compute:
  derived_from: tosca.capabilities.Root
  properties:
    name:
      type: string
      required: false
    num_cpus:
      type: integer
      required: false
      constraints:
        - greater_or_equal: 1
    cpu_frequency:
      type: scalar-unit.frequency
      required: false
      constraints:
        - greater_or_equal: 0.1 GHz
    disk_size:
      type: scalar-unit.size
      required: false
      constraints:
        - greater_or_equal: 0 MB
    mem_size:
      type: scalar-unit.size
      required: false
      constraints:
        - greater_or_equal: 0 MB

tosca.capabilities.Container:
  derived_from: tosca.capabilities.Compute

tosca.capabilities.Storage:
  derived_from: tosca.capabilities.Root
  properties:
    name:
      type: string
      required: false

tosca.relationships.HostedOn:
  derived_from: tosca.relationships.Root
  valid_target_types: [ tosca.capabilities.Container ]
# tosca.relationships.HostedOn:
# - impacts declarative workflow
# - based on tosca.capabilities.Container
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Critics of TOSCA Spec Normatives:

- tosca.capabilities.Container inherits from Compute!!!

- `tosca.capabilities.Compute`, property 'name' - we don't actually need it?
- `tosca.capabilities.Storage` is not similar to the `tasca Compute` - it only includes the 'name' property, does not specify any storage quantifiers like size etc.
- in TOSCA Specs, Storage is not an infrastructure-level requirement; it is rather a kind of application-level (attachable, with an initial image), required by (attached to) other application nodes
- Tosca Compute capability is a mix of CPU+Mem. Don't we want to keep them apart for greater flexibility?
- TOSCA Specs does not have requirements for I/O
- TOSCA Specs normatives do not provide all information items required by the ETSI and IM
- `tosca.capabilities.Compute` and `*.Storage` bring with them unnecessary inheritance, coupling with relationship types, may affect the TOSCA declarative workflows

Proposed solution

1. Model the basic HPA requirements with TOSCA capability types. VDUs will have requirements of these capability types. These HPA requirements will never be satisfied within the VNF and Service models, the orchestrator will do that in run-time
2. Abstain from using `tosca.capability.Compute` as it does not fully match the requirements
3. Define special ONAP capability types, separate for each of these categories: CPU, Memory, Storage, I/O, networking. These capability types express the most basic hardware characteristics. They also should be simple, flat bags of strictly named properties, all properties of primitive data types with clear restrictions.
4. Derive from the basic capability types an additional level of capabilities, with advanced (HPA) details. As detailed as they seem, these capabilities are still generic, with strict definitions of properties that are shared by the major hardware vendors. In addition to the strictly-typed properties, the HPA-level capabilities will also have a json-formatted property in order to allow for even greater customization flexibility.
5. Allow for further customization of the HPA-level capabilities into vendor-specific capabilities. These vendor-specific customized capability types may extend their HPA-level generic base by adding new properties and providing new constraints for the existing properties. In addition to the refinement of the strictly defined properties, the vendor-specific capabilities may provide their own validation schema for the json-formatted "flexible" property.

Basic requirements

Basic specifications of hardware capabilities

capability_types:

onap.capabilities.infrastructure.CPU:

derived_from: tosca.capabilities.Root

description: basic processor capabilities

properties:

num_cpus:

type: integer

required: false

constraints:

- greater_or_equal: 1

cpu_frequency:

type: scalar-unit.frequency

required: false

constraints:

- greater_or_equal: 0.1 GHz

onap.capabilities.infrastructure.Memory:

derived_from: tosca.capabilities.Root

description: basic memory capabilities

properties:

mem_size:

type: scalar-unit.size

required: false

constraints:

- greater_or_equal: 0 MB

onap.capabilities.infrastructure.Storage:

derived_from: tosca.capabilities.Root

description: basic storage specifications

properties:

storage_size:

type: scalar-unit.size

required: false

constraints:

- greater_or_equal: 0 MB

onap.capabilities.infrastructure.IO:

derived_from: tosca.capabilities.Root

description: basic IO specifications

onap.capabilities.infrastructure.NIC:

derived_from: tosca.capabilities.Root

description: basic networking interface characteristics

Advanced HPA specifications

Advanced hardware capabilities, with more details

capability_types:

onap.capabilities.infrastructure.hpa.CPU:

derived_from: onap.capabilities.infrastructure.CPU

description: detailed processor capabilities for hardware-aware VNF vendors

properties:

schema_selector:

description: vendor+architecture, for example, Intel64

type: string

required: true

schema_version:

type: version

required: false

custom_features:

description: additional features, formatted as JSON, validated against a schema

type: json

constraints:

- schema: http://schema.url

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    required: false

simultaneousMultiThreading:
  type: boolean
  description: |
    The use of Simultaneous Multi-Threading HW is an efficient way to
    increase the compute capacity of a platform. SMT HW threads share
    some CPU core resources. In some VDU implementations, it may be
    necessary to very explicitly control the HW thread allocation on
    a platform. This could be to help ensure locality in data caches
    or as a mechanism to enhance determinism
  required: false
logicalCpuPinningPolicy:
  type: string
  constraints:
    - valid_values: [Dedicated, Shared]
  required: false
logicalCpuThreadPinningPolicy:
  type: string
  constraints:
    - valid_values:
      - Isolate    # Allocate on different execution units.
      - Prefer     # co-location of vCPUs to physical execution units
      - Require    # co-location of vCPUs to physical execution units
  required: false
instructionSetExtensions:
  type: string
  constraints:
    - valid_values:
      - Isolate    # Allocate on different execution units.
      - Prefer     # co-location of vCPUs to physical execution units
      - Require    # co-location of vCPUs to physical execution units
  required: false
hypervisorConfiguration:
  type: string
  required: false
computeRas:
  description: Reliability, Availability, Serviceability (RAS)
  type: string
  required: false

onap.capabilities.infrastructure.hpa.Memory:
  derived_from: onap.capabilities.infrastructure.Memory
  description: HPA-level memory capabilities
  properties:
    schema_selector:
      description: vendor+architecture, for example, Intel64
      type: string
      required: true
    schema_version:
      type: version
      required: false
    custom_features:
      description: additional features, formatted as JSON, validated against a schema
      type: json
      required: false

memoryPageSize:
  type: scalar-unit.size
  required: false
memoryAllocationPolicy:
  type: string
  constraints:
    - valid_values:
      - StrictLocal
      - PreferredLocal
  required: false
memoryBandwidth:
  description: Agreed unit of memory bandwidth
  type: scalar-unit.size
  required: false

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processorCacheAllocation:
  description: Agreed unit of processor cache
  type: string
  required: false
memoryType:
  description: Type of memory
  type: string
  required: false
memorySpeed:
  description: Agreed unit of memory speed
  type: string
  required: false
memoryRas:
  description:
  type: string
  required: false
localNumaMemory:
  type: boolean
  required: false

onap.capabilities.infrastructure.hpa.Storage:
  derived_from: onap.capabilities.infrastructure.Storage
  description: HPA-level storage specifications
  properties:
    schema_selector:
      description: vendor+architecture, for example, Intel64
      type: string
      required: true
    schema_version:
      type: version
      required: false
    custom_features:
      description: additional features, formatted as JSON, validated against a schema
      type: json
      required: false

    storageIops:
      type: integer
      required: false
      constraints:
        - greater_or_equal: 0
    storageResiliencyMechanism:
      type: string
      required: false
      description: Erasure code based back-end, triple replication

onap.capabilities.infrastructure.hpa.IO:
  derived_from: onap.capabilities.infrastructure.IO
  description: HPA-level IO characteristics
  properties:
    schema_selector:
      description: vendor+architecture, for example, Intel64
      type: string
      required: true
    schema_version:
      type: version
      required: false
    custom_features:
      description: additional features, formatted as JSON, validated against a schema
      type: json
      required: false

    pciVendorId:
      description: PCI-SIG vendor ID for the device
      type: string
      required: false
    pciDeviceId:
      description: PCI-SIG device ID for the device
      type: string
      required: false
    pciNumDevices:
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        description:      Number of PCI devices required.
        type: string
        required: false
    pciAddress:
        description: Geographic location of the PCI device via the standard PCI-SIG addressing model of Domain:
Bus:device:function
        type: string
        required: false
    pciDeviceLocalToNumaNode      Boolean
        type: string
        required: false

onap.capabilities.infrastructure.hpa.NIC:
    derived_from: onap.capabilities.infrastructure.NIC
    description: HPA-level networking interface characteristics
    properties:
        schema_selector:
            description: vendor+architecture, for example, Intel64
            type: string
            required: true
        schema_version:
            type: version
            required: false
        custom_features:
            description: additional features, formatted as JSON, validated against a schema
            type: json
            required: false

    nicFeature:
        description: Long list of NIC related items such as LSO, LRO, RSS, RDMA, etc.
        type: map
        entry_schema: string
        required: false
    dataProcessingAccelerationLibrary:
        description: Name and version of the data processing acceleration library required. Orchestration can
match any NIC that is known to be compatible with the specified library.
        type: string
        required: false
    interfaceType:
        description: Virtio, PCI-Passthrough, SR-IOV, E1000, RTL8139, PCNET, etc.
        type: string
        required: false

```

Examples of a vendor-specific refinement of an HPA capability

```

capability_types:
  com.intel.capabilities.hpa.CPU:
    derived_from: onap.capabilities.infrastructure.hpa.CPU
    schema_selector:
      type: string
      required: true
      constraints: # fixed value for this vendor
        - equal_to: Intel64
    schema_version:
      type: version
      required: false
      constraints:
        - equal_to: 2.0
    instructionSetExtensions:
      type: string
      constraints: # changes property definitions
        - valid_values: [aes, sse, avx, cat, cmt, mbm]
      required: false
    a_well_known_property_of_this_vendor: # adds new strictly typed properties
      type: integer
      required: false

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VDU type - requires hardware

```
node_types:
  onap.nodes.VDU:
    derived_from: onap.nodes.Resource
    capabilities:
      host:
        type: onap.capabilities.Container
    requirements:
      - cpu:
          capability: onap.capabilities.infrastructure.CPU:
            occurrences: [0..UNBOUNDED]
      - memory:
          capability: onap.capabilities.infrastructure.Memory:
            occurrences: [0..UNBOUNDED]
      - storage:
          capability: onap.capabilities.infrastructure.Storage:
            occurrences: [0..UNBOUNDED]
      - io:
          capability: onap.capabilities.infrastructure.IO:
            occurrences: [0..UNBOUNDED]
      - nic:
          capability: onap.capabilities.infrastructure.NIC:
            occurrences: [0..UNBOUNDED]
```

Example of VDU node

```
node_templates:
  vdu_123:
    type: onap.nodes.VDU
    capabilities:
      host:
    requirements:
      - memory:
          node_filter:
            capabilities:
              - onap.capabilities.infrastructure.Memory:
                  properties:
                    - mem_size: {greater_or_equal: 2MB}

      - cpu:
          node_filter:
            capabilities:
              - onap.capabilities.infrastructure.hpa.CPU:
                  properties:
                    - schema_selector:
                        constraints: # fixed value for this vendor
                          - equal_to: Intel64
                    - schema_version:
                        constraints:
                          - greater_or_equal: 2.0
                    - custom_features:
                        constraints:
                          - equals_to: {...sigjigigirgigimirig}
                          - schema: http://json.schema.url
```

Implications

- Compliance with TOSCA 1.2 for using JSON properties
- Support for the 'node_filter' construct

- New languages to understand: JSON Schema, XML Schema, etc