# Tips & Tricks

This document is meant to group some examples, tricks and usage tips.

## Templates

### Variable inside a relation

Need to find variables belonging to another from a port template.

A template example, using the *Bandwidth_up* value of the port-channel on the physical interface. Using the known *<Chan_id>* variable inside the relation: *PortChannels*

```
service-policy output PM-<Bandwidth_up@PortChannels:Chan_id=<Chan_id>>
```

## Scenarios

### Modify context variable

In this example the node_class name is modified using the Replace function. This is done using a regular expression.

```
<type> := [Replace(<node_class>, '_.*', '')]
```

Everything after the first _ (including the _) is removed and the value is assigned to the variable *type*

eg. Before: `WAN_env_CPE`, after: `WAN`

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