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Cisco Nexus 1000v Series Switches, Part 3: Game Changer: Silver Lining in the Cloud

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Technical Marketing Engineer
February 24, 2015



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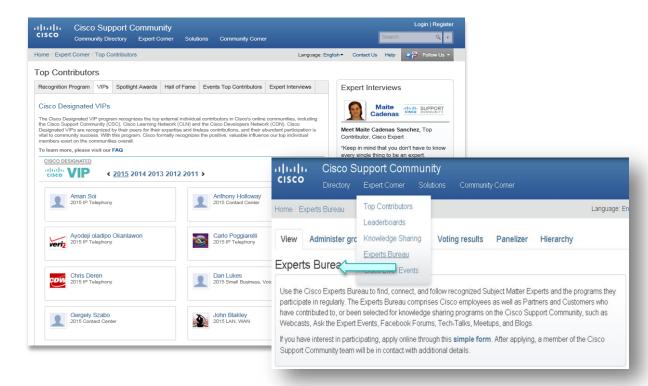
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Technical Marketing Engineer

Topic: Part 3: Game Changer: Silver Lining in the Cloud

Technical Expert – Question Manager



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Polling Question 1

Can Nexus 1000v be used for Cloud Computing?

- a. Yes
- b. No

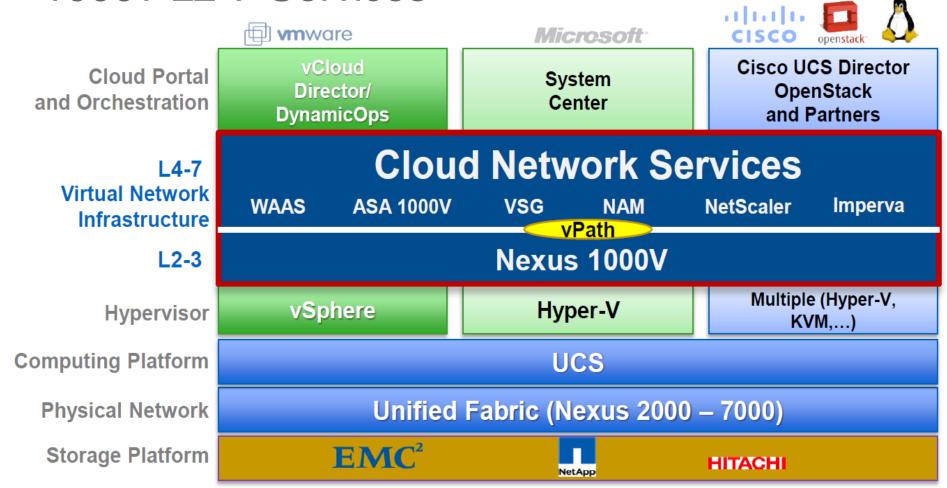


Agenda

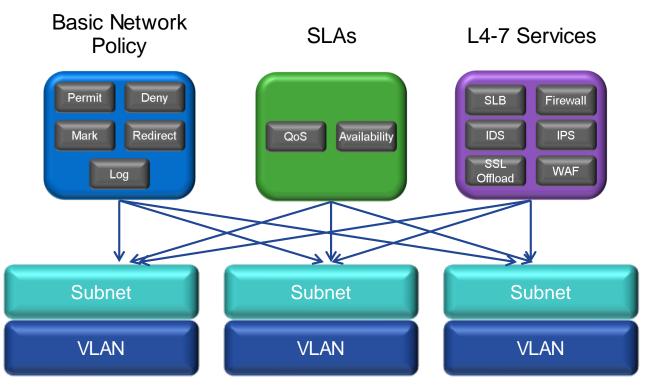
- Application Virtual Switch for ACI
- InterCloud Fabric (ICF)



1000v L2-7 Services

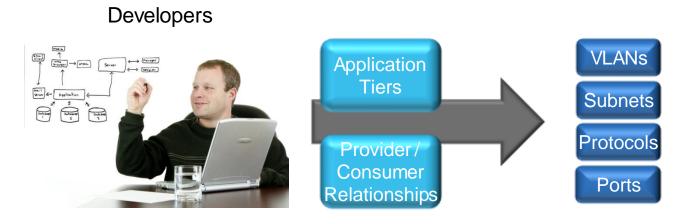


Overloaded Network Constructs





Application Language Barriers



Infrastructure Teams



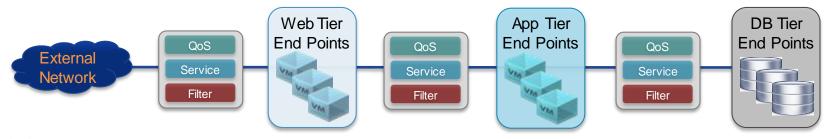
Developer and infrastructure teams must translate between disparate languages.



What is an Application to the Network?

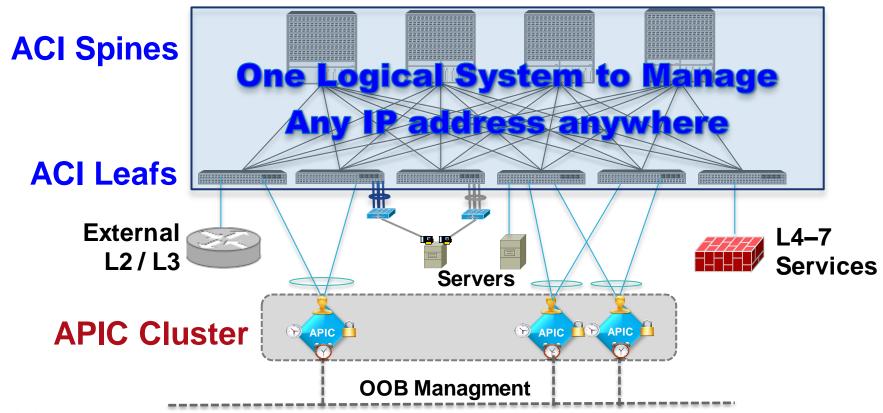
It is More than just a VM or Server

- ✓ It is collection of all the Application's End Points
 - 'plus'
- ✓ The Application's L2 L7 Network Policies
 - 'plus'
- ✓ The Relationship between these End Points and their Policies



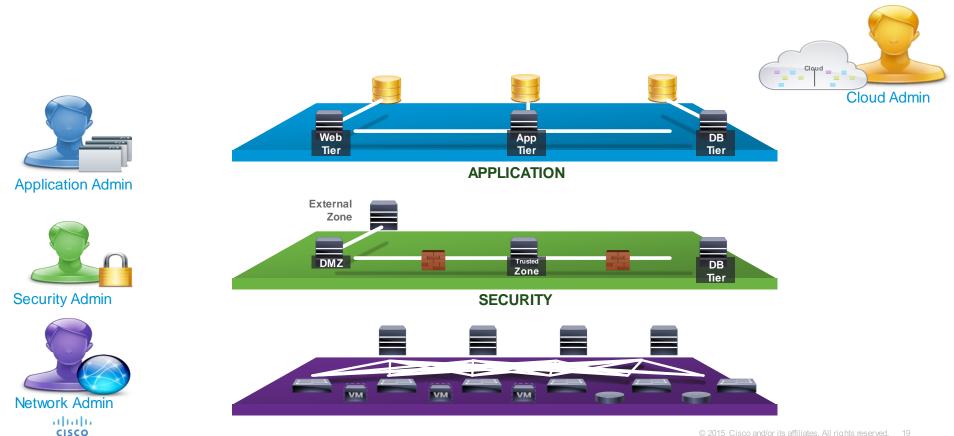


ACI Fabric

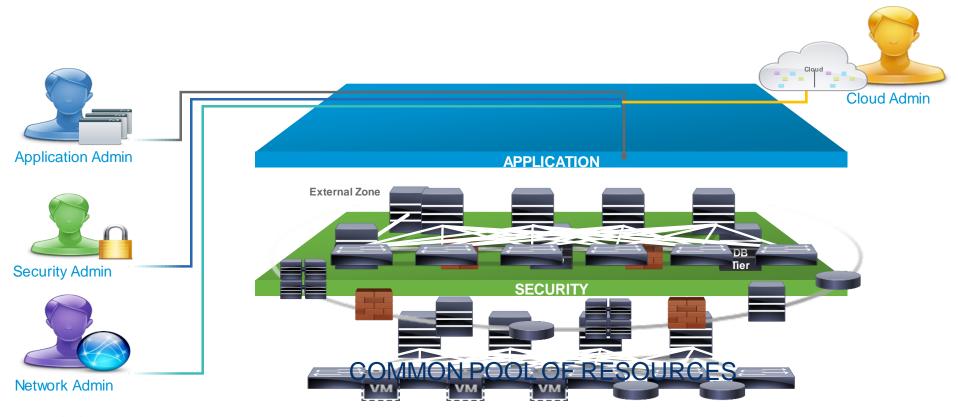




Goal: Common Policy & Operations Framework

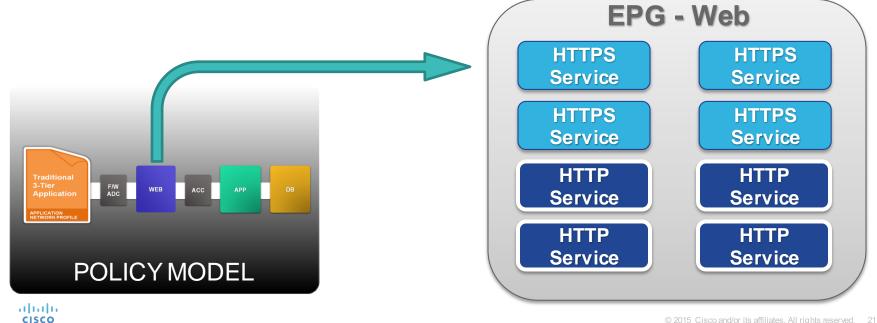


Goal: Common Policy & Operations Framework



ACI policy model brings the concept of End-Point Group (EPG)

EPGs are a grouping of end-points representing application or application components independent of other network constructs.



End-Points end EPG membership



Server



Virtual Machine



Storage

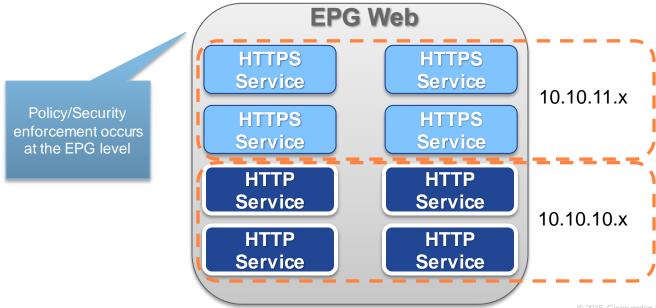


Client

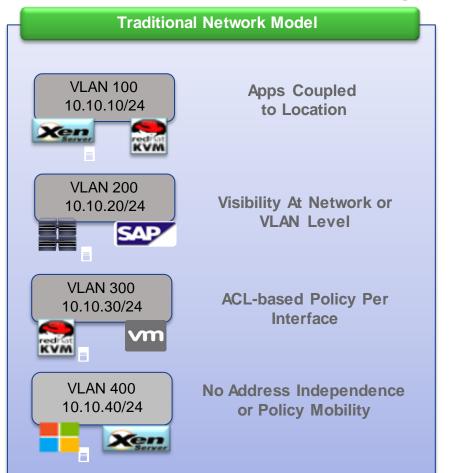
- Device connected to network directly or indirectly
- Has address (identity), location, attributes (version, patch level)
- Can be physical or virtual
 - End Point Group (EPG) membership defined by:
 - Ingress physical port (leaf or FEX)
 - Ingress logical port (VM port group)
 - VLAN ID
 - VXLAN (VNID)
 - IP address
 - IP Prefix/Subnet
 - NVGRE (VSID)
 - DNS name
 - Layer 4 ports

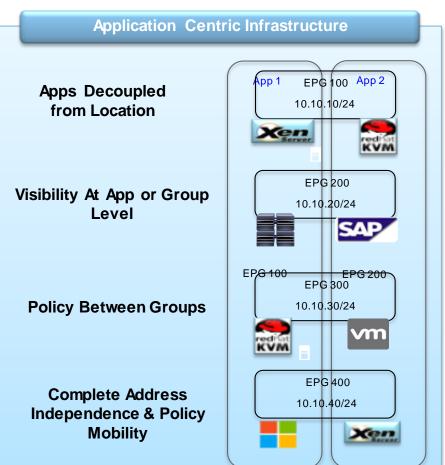
Ex.: EPGs, Subnets and Policy

EPGs separate the addressing of an application **from it's mapping and policy enforcement** on the network.



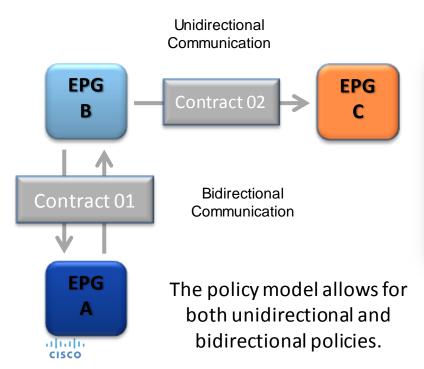
EPGs @ ACI bring true network abstraction

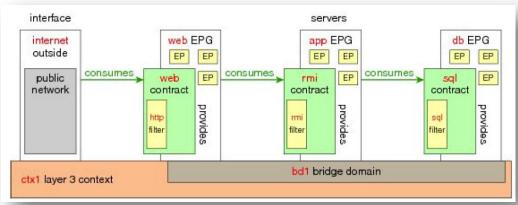




Applying Policy between EPGs: ACI contracts

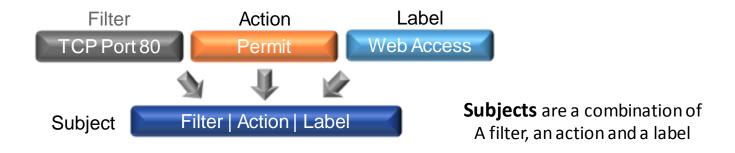
Contracts define the way in which EPGs interact.





Ex: ACI Logical Model applied to the "3-Tier App" ANP

Building ACI Contracts



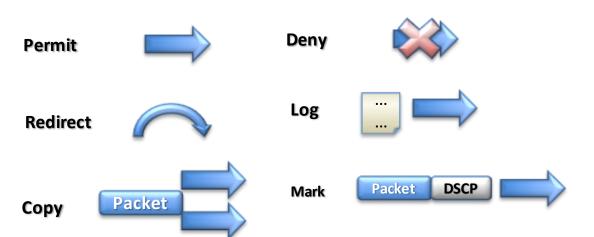
Contracts define communication between source and destination EPGs



Contracts are groups of subjects which define communication between EPGs.



Policy Options: Actions



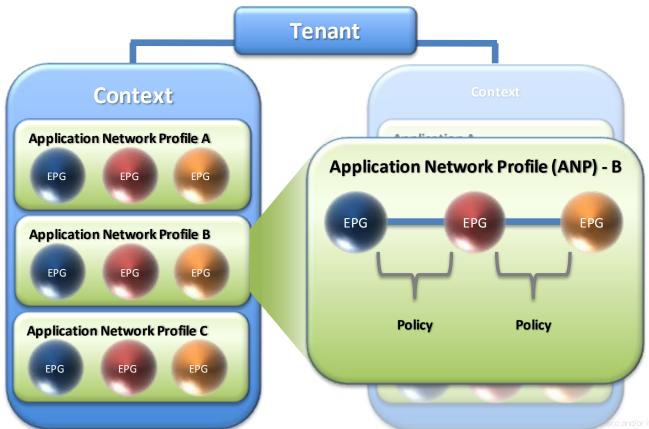
There are six policy options supported:

- Permit the traffic
- Block the traffic
- Redirect the traffic
- Log the traffic
- Copy the traffic
- Mark the traffic (DSCP/CoS)

Policy encompasses traffic handling, quality of service, security monitoring and logging.

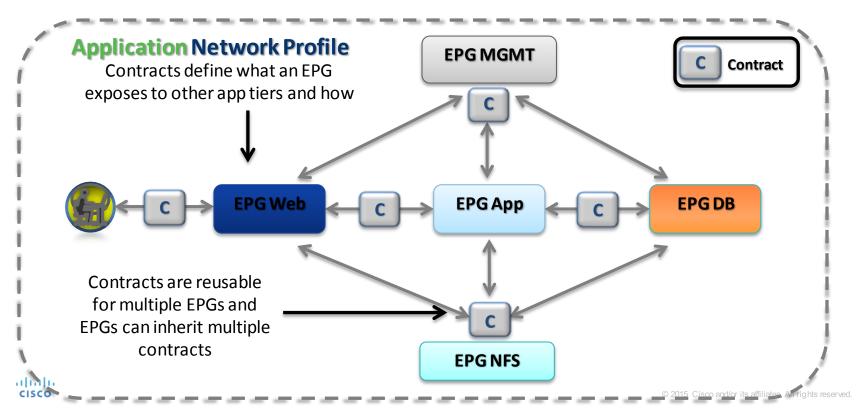


ACI Logical Model



Ex.: Contract Model

The use of contracts separates 'what' a policy is from 'where' it exists, extending its use.

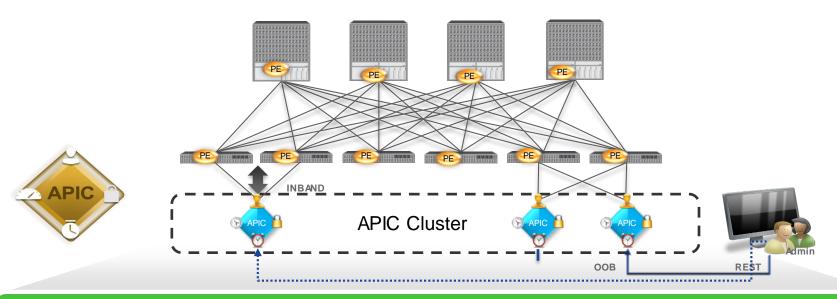


ACI Concepts

- Tenant A logical construct within the APIC to configure tenant policies, profiles and network configuration.
- Application Profile A profile used to classify an application or traffic type and define network and policy configuration
- EPG End point groups used to classify what traffic belongs to a particular application profile, and what contracts (similar to ACLs) are defined for a particular traffic type
- VMM Domain Associated to a vCenter and a DVS on ESX Hosts. Each vCenter will be apart of a separate VMM domain

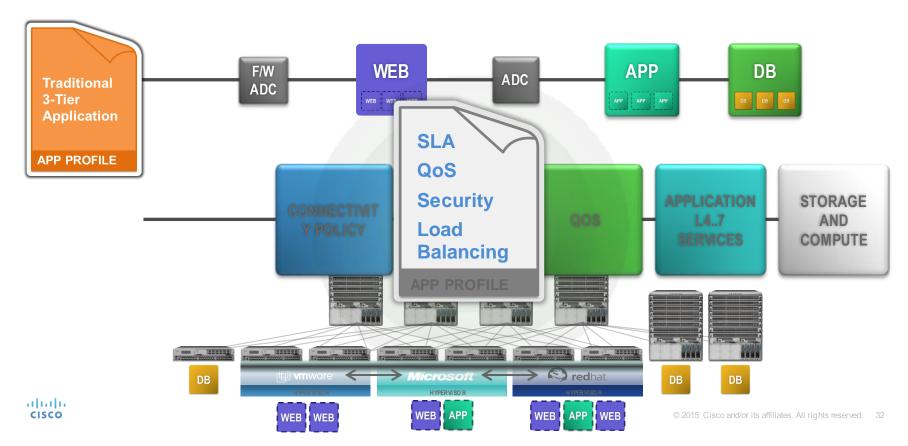


What is APIC

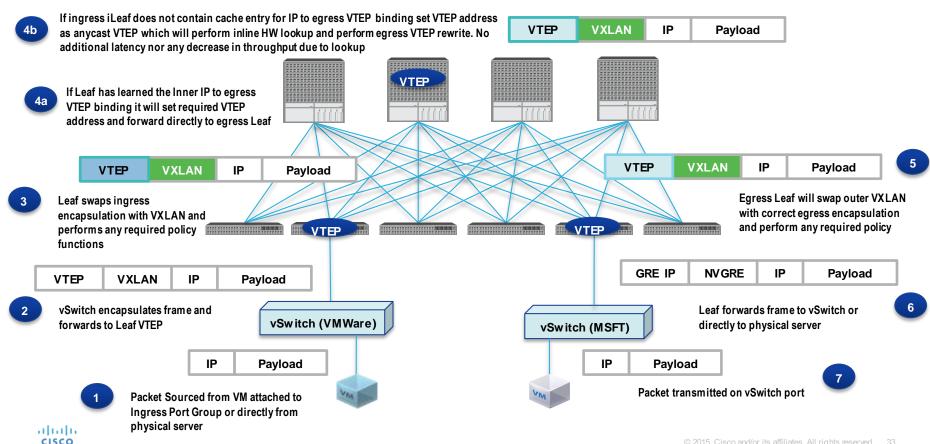


- APIC cluster is the distributed controller for managing all the policies and running state for ACI fabric and for interfacing with VM controllers and L4-L7 services boxes
- It is a highly redundant cluster of linux based servers connected to Leaf switches on infra network
- Application networking needs are expressed in APICas application-level policies through REST interface.
- The policies are automatically pushed and applied to the network infrastructure via embedded policy elements

Application Network Profiles (ANP) & ACI: how it works?



Overview of ACI Fabric Unicast Forwarding



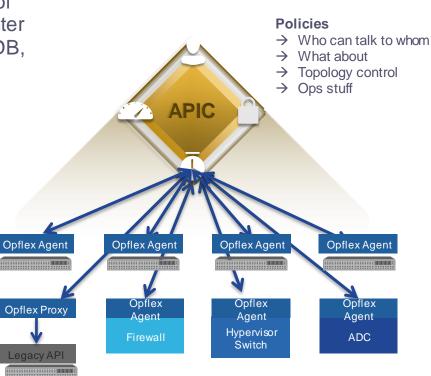
OpFlex – A Flexible, Extensible Policy Protocol

OPFLEX is a new extensible policy resolution protocol designed for declarative management of any datacenter infrastructure. Unlike legacy protocols such as OVSDB, OPFLEX was designed to offer:

- Declarative resolution Push + Pull API support
- Abstract policies rather than device-specific configuration
- Flexible, extensible definition of using XML / JSON
- Support for any device vswitch, physical switch, network services, servers, etc.

http://tools.ietf.org/html/draft-smith-opflex-00





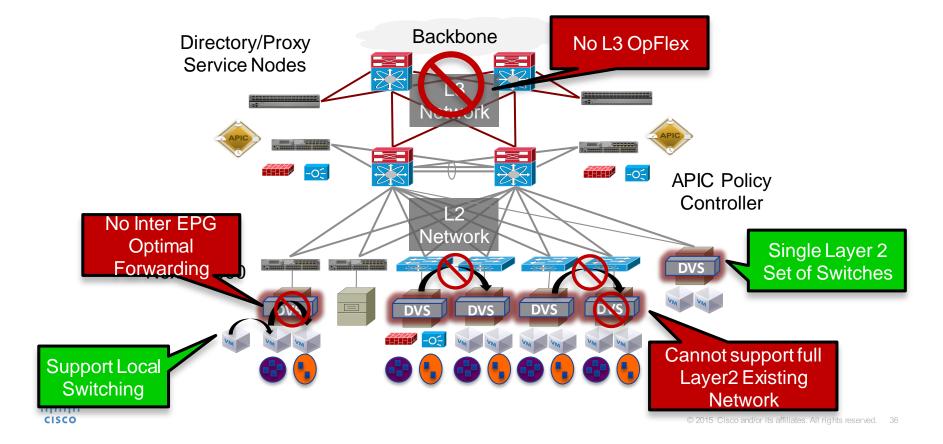
Polling Question 2

Can ACI architecture influence Virtual Workloads?

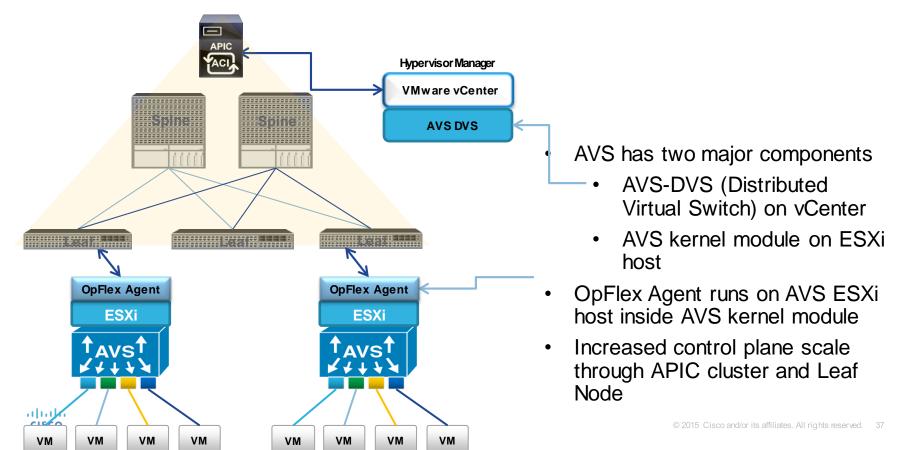
- a. Yes
- b. No



Limitations of vSwitch



AVS Architecture and Components



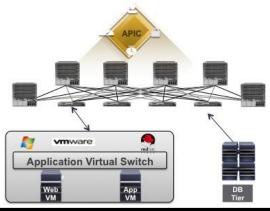
Cisco Nexus 1000V & Application Virtual Switch

Nexus 1000V

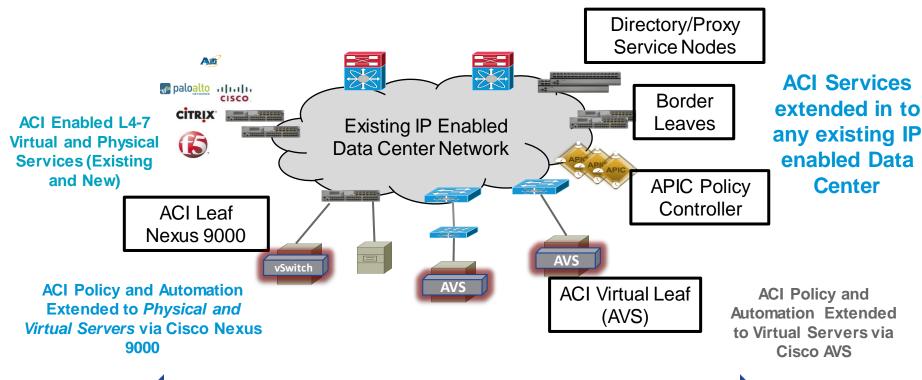
- Only virtual networking and services solution across multiple hypervisors
- Single point of management for virtual networking via VSM with integration to cloud management platforms (Cisco UCS Director, OpenStack, SCVMM, vCD etc)
- L4-L7 integrated via vPath
 - Firewall, Load Balancer, L3 services, WAN optimization, Network Monitoring
- Advanced edition includes distributed zone firewall (Virtual Security Gateway)
- Licensing: Licensed per CPU socket for advanced edition

Application Virtual Switch

- Purpose built ACI virtual leaf with OpFlex integration
- APIC specifies network policy for virtual and physical networks and does L4-L7 integration
- AVS does local switching/routing and provides distributed segmentation intra/inter EPG



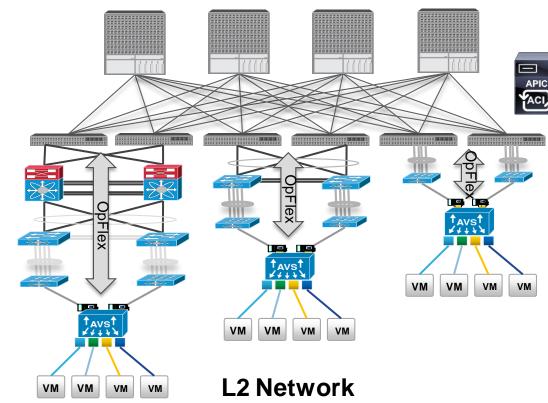
Extending ACI to Current DC: Remote vLeaf support



Extending ACI Policy and Automation into the Existing Data Center

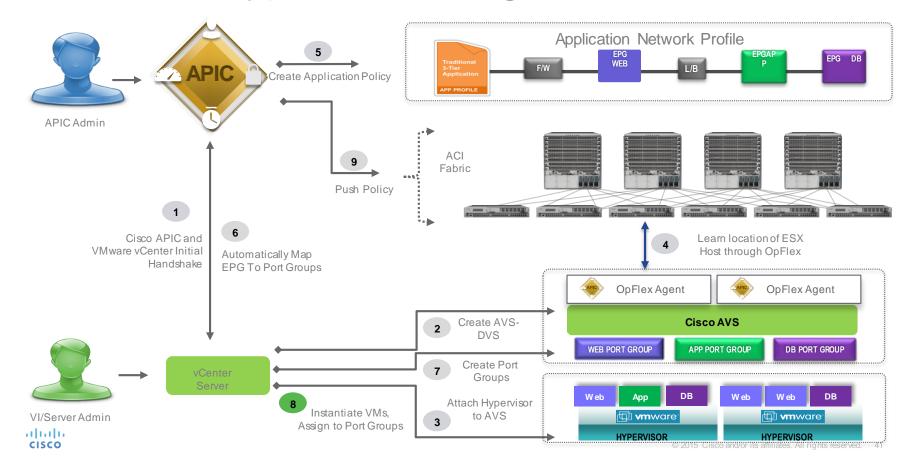
AVS Makes Existing Switching Network ACI Enabled

- Supports a Full Layer 2 Network (Nexus 7k/6k/5k/3k/2k/FI)
 between Nexus 9k and AVS: Investment Protection
- VDS (VMware Distributed Switch) can only support a single L2 switch between N9k and VDS
 - Due to lack of OpFlex support
 - N2K with N5K/N6K/N7K/N9K considered one L2 switch
- Layer 2 network is required to support OpFlex bootstrapping in this phase





Cisco ACI Hypervisor Integration – Cisco AVS



Introducing Cisco VSUM

Install & Migrate

- Easily install the Nexus1000V & Cisco AVS using vCenter
- Smoothly migrate vSwitch/VDS to N1KV





Upgrade & Monitor

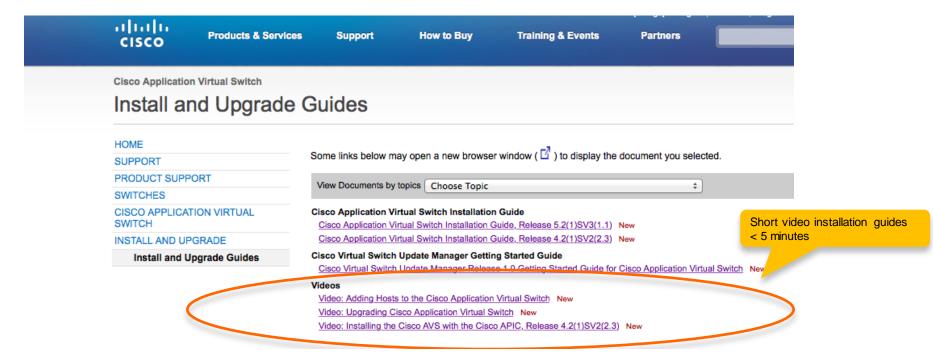
- Upgrade the Nexus1000V and AVS(multiple hosts allowed).
 - Easily monitor your virtual network.

Configure*

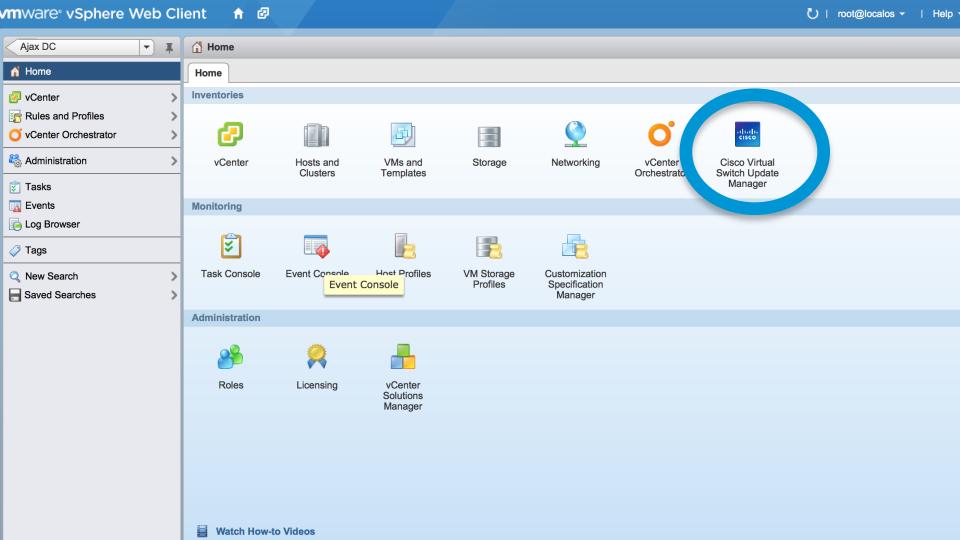
Configure and Manage Nexus1000V features and portprofil

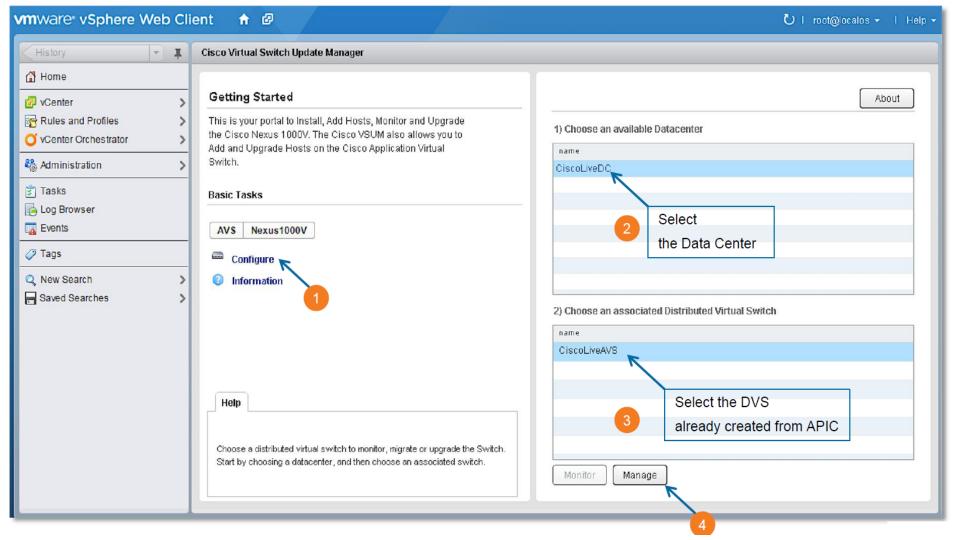


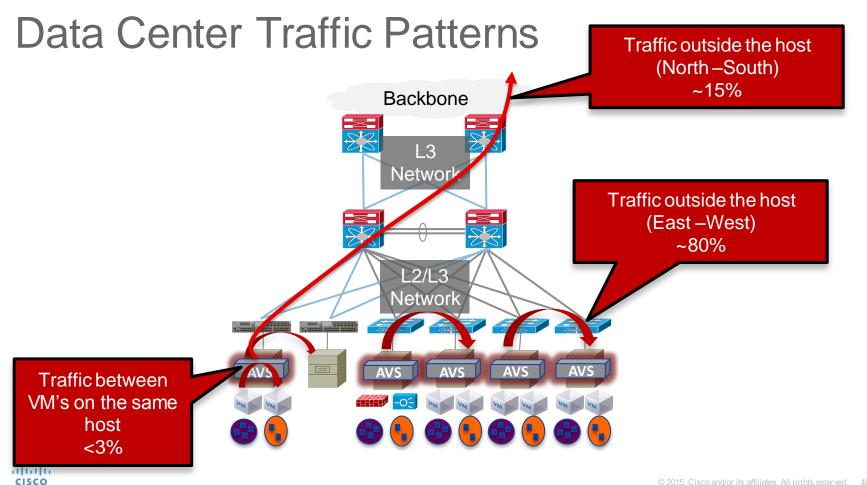
Installation and upgrade made easier using Virtual Switch Update Manager (VSUM)



http://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/switches/application-virtual-switch/products-installation-guides-list.html

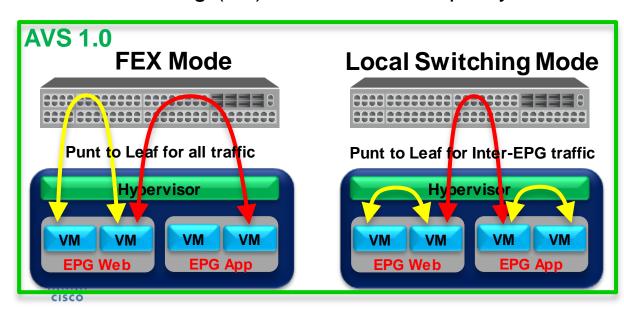


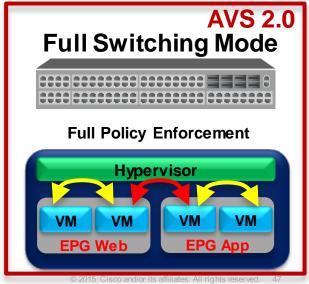




Virtual Leaf Switching Modes

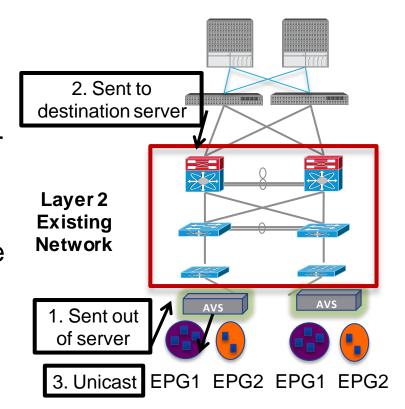
- FEX Mode: All traffic sent to Leaf for switching
- Local Switching (LS) Mode: Intra-EPGs traffic switched on the same host
- Full Switching (FS) Mode: Full APIC policy enforcement on server





AVS Packet Walk: FEX Mode

- 1. All traffic, within and between EPG, is sent to Leaf (only intra-EPG within same server shown in diagram as example)
- 2. All traffic traverse through the **Existing Network**
- 3. Leaf switch atomic counters for enhanced statistics

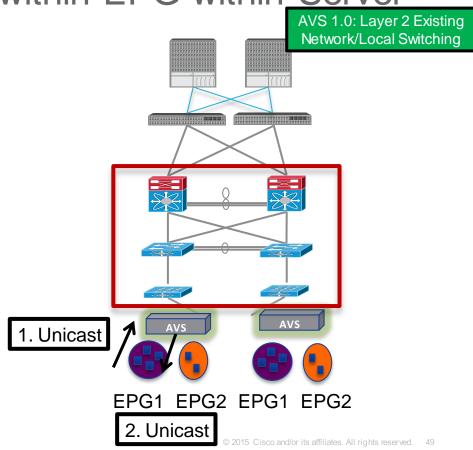




LS Packet Walk: Unicast within EPG within Server

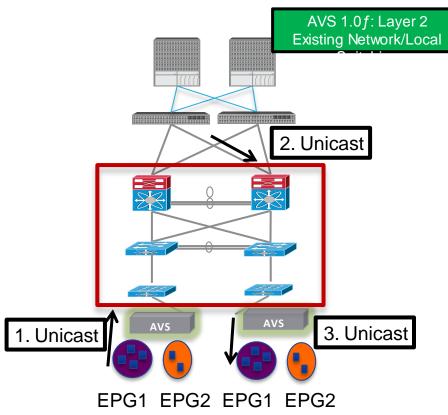
1. VM in EPG1 starts unicast packet to VM

AVS unicasts packet to destination VM within the server



LS: Unicast within EPG Between Servers with VXLAN

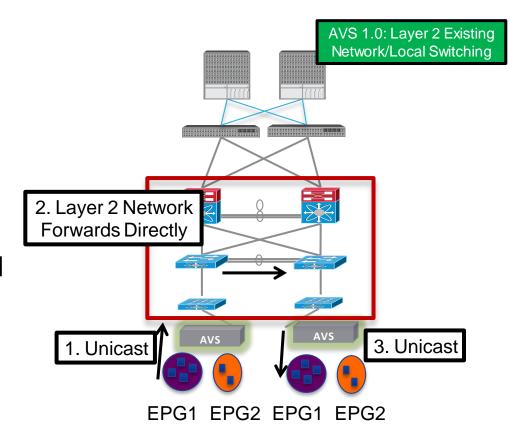
- VM in EPG1 starts unicast packet
- Leaf decides to send unicast to other locations have EPG1
- Unicast delivered to other VM in EPG1





LS: Unicast within EPG Between Servers with VLAN

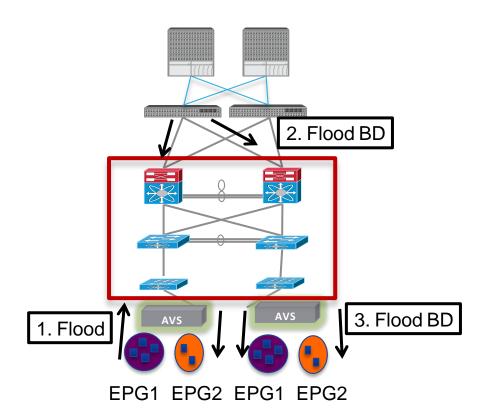
- VM in EPG1 starts unicast packet
- 2. Layer 2 Network forwards directly
- 3 Unicast delivered to other VM in EPG1





LS Packet Walk: Flooding within EPG

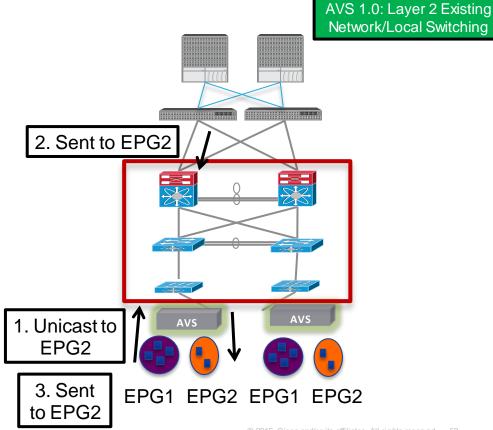
- VM in EPG1 starts flooding packet, assuming BD is configured for flooding
- Leaf decides to flood to all EPGs in the same BD
 - Needed just in case other EPGs are in other Leaves
- Multicast packet is sent for each EPG





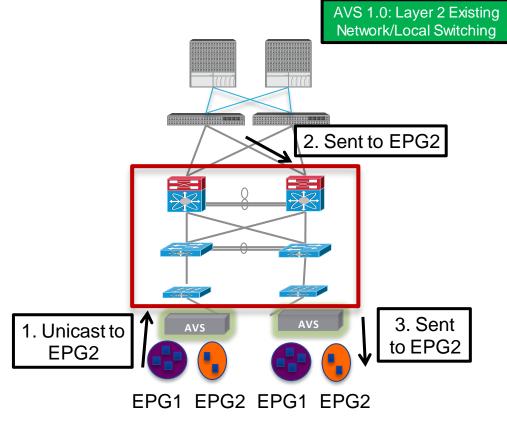
LS: Inter-EPG Traffic Within Server

- VM in EPG1 unicast packet to VM in EPG2 on the same server
- Leaf decides to send packet back to same link
- VMs in EPG2 receives unicast



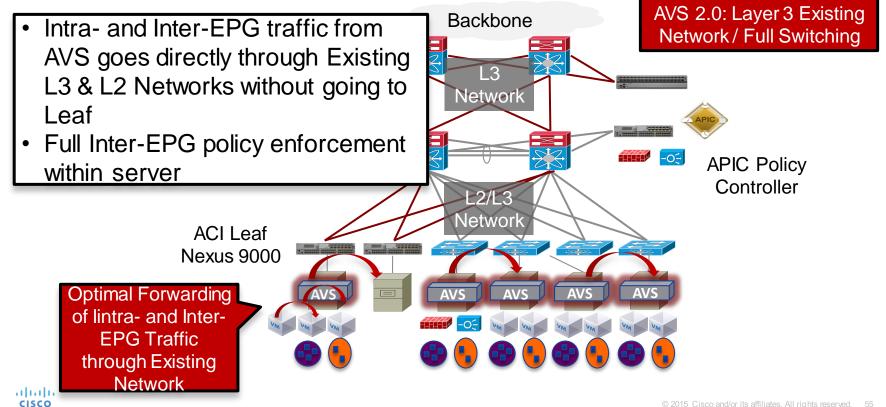
LS: Inter-EPG Traffic Between Servers

- 1. VM in EPG1 unicast packet to VM in EPG2
- Leaf decides to send packet to multiple links
- VMs in EPG2 receives unicast
 - NOTE: Same behavior for VLAN and VXLAN

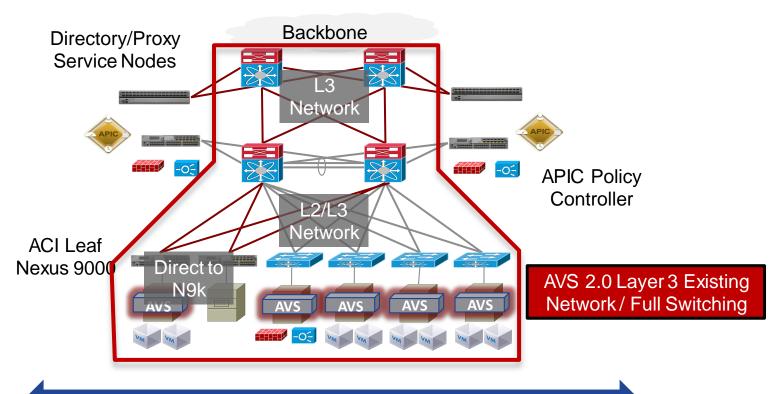




Optimal Forwarding of Intra & Inter EPG Traffic



Extending ACI to Current DC with Full Switching





SUMMARY

- Application Virtual Switch extends application policy into the virtual environments of ACI.
- ACI supports hypervisor native virtual switches and Cisco Application Virtual Switch (AVS)
- AVS also extend ACI to existing data center for physical and virtual workloads
- Application Virtual Switch provides investment protection and advanced ACI Virtual Leaf capabilities



Polling Question 3

Is it possible to move Virtual Workloads across the clouds?

- a. Yes
- b. No



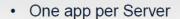
Consistency Across Physical – Virtual – Cloud(s)

PHYSICAL VIRTUAL CLOUD HYBRID CLOUD





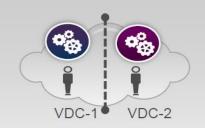




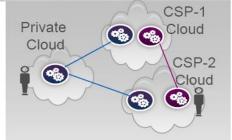
- Static
- Manual provisioning



- Many apps per Server
- Mobile
- Dynamic provisioning



- Multi-tenant per Server
- Elastic
- Automated Scaling



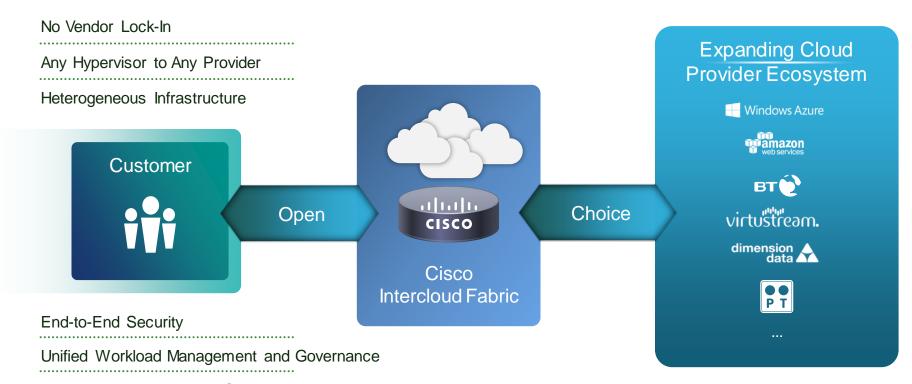
- Cross-Cloud Mobility
- Flexible Anywhere, Anytime
- Service-centric Provisioning

CONSISTENCY: Policy, Features, Security, Management, Separation of Duties

| Switching | Nexus 9K/7K/5K/3K/2K | Nexus 1000V, Application Virtual Switch |
|-----------|---------------------------|--|
| Routing | ASR, ISR | Cloud Services Router (CSR 1000V) |
| Services | WAAS, ASA, NAM, NetScaler | vWAAS, VSG, ASA 1000V, vNAM, NetScaler 1000V |



Cisco's Hybrid Cloud Approach



Workload Mobility Across Clouds CISCO



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Cisco Adds Over 30 Intercloud Partners, Including Deutsche Telekom, BT, NTT DATA & Equinix; **Expands Reach with 250 New Data Centers in 50** Countries

Cisco Introduces Hybrid Cloud Bundles, Ships Cisco Intercloud Fabric, and Commits \$1 in Cloud Financing

SAN JOSE, Calif. – September 29, 2014 – Cisco today



Building Momentum with Current Intercloud Partners

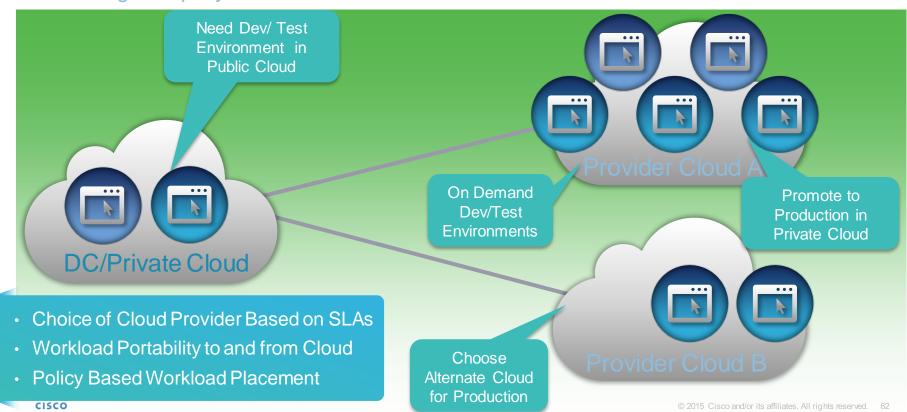
Cisco continues to build momentum with existing Intercloud partners, including Dimension Data, Johnson Controls, Sungard Availability Services, Telstra, NetApp, Red Hat and VCE. Highlights include:

- Telstra, which became Cisco's first Intercloud partner in March 2014, recently announced the expansion of its Cisco Cloud Services capability beyond Australia to Hong Kong and Singapore, leading the way in providing customers with choice across private and public clouds with the flexibility in how to consume them.
- Dimension Data and Cisco are partnering to deliver a hybrid cloud solution for customers and resellers that will combine laaS with Cisco technology and software-as-a-service (SaaS) applications.
- . Sungard Availability Services is using its cloud infrastructure to deliver new Cisco Powered cloud services to customers and resellers. It recently became the first service provider globally to deploy the Cisco APIC Controller to drive cloud services.
- · Red Hat recently announced it is teaming with Cisco to deliver an OpenStack-based integrated infrastructure solution. The new solution will support Cisco ACI to deliver an on-ramp to the Intercloud for enterprise and mid-market customers.



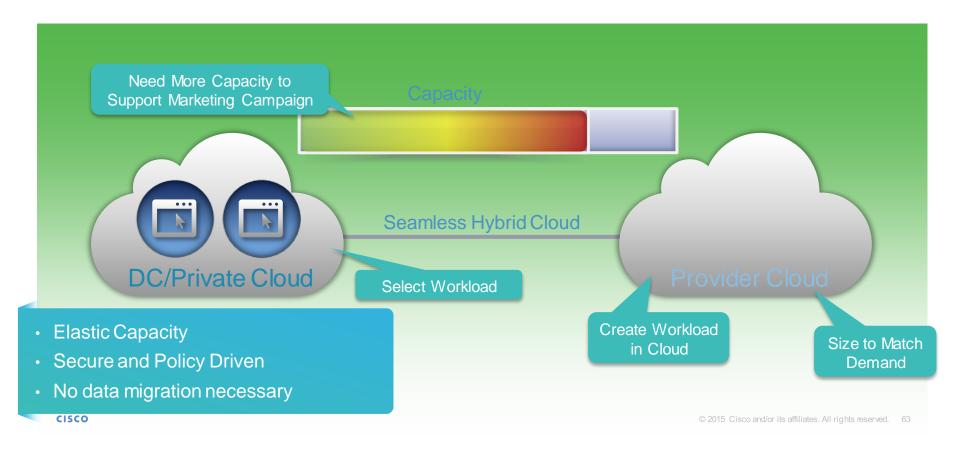
Intercloud Fabric Enabling Dev/ Test Use Case

Online Gaming Company Needs Faster Access to Resources to Test New Games

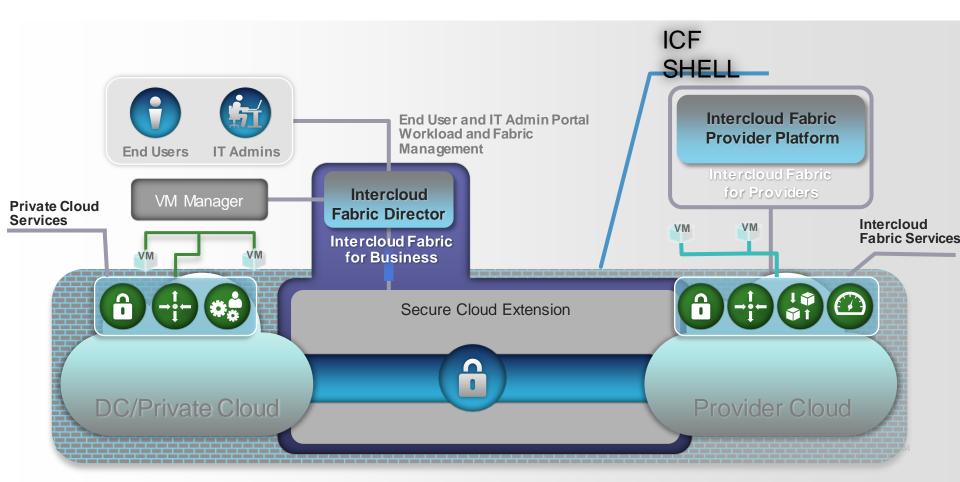


Intercloud Fabric Enables Capacity Augmentation

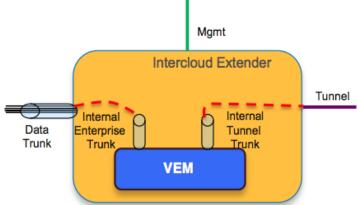
Marketing Company Needs Resources to Run Time Sensitive Web Campaign



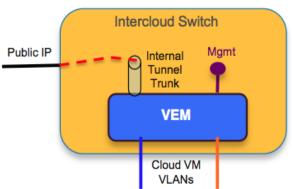
Cisco Intercloud Fabric Architectural View



Intercloud Extender and Intercloud Switch Interfaces



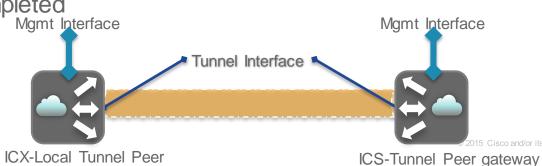
- Management Interface Used for communication
 with Intercloud Fabric Director. Can also be used as
 secure tunnel endpoint
 Management
 communication
 and Intercloud
- Tunnel interface Can be used for secure tunnel to Intercloud Switch
- Trunk interface Enterprise trunk allowing all VLANs that are being extended



- Management Interface Used for communication with Intercloud Fabric Director and Intercloud Fabric Extender.
- Public interface Provider interface with public IP.
- Cloud VM interfaces Cloud VMs on VLANs extended from the enterprise

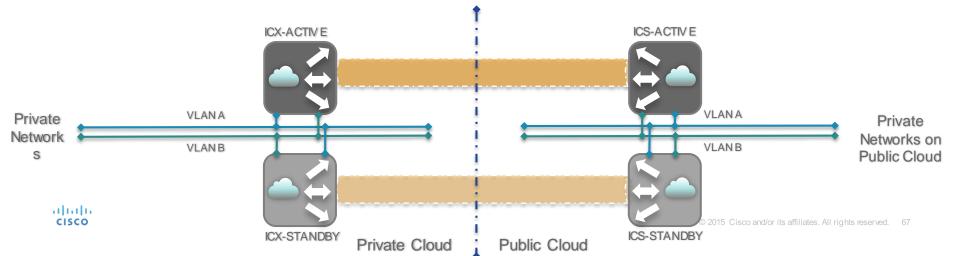
- 1. ICX and ICS are installed. Control connection is established to each
- 2. ICX is initialized receives ICS peer config
- 3. ICS is initialized receives ICX peer config
- 4. Control connection is established between ICX and ICS
- 5. Tunnel connections are established (control and data)
- 6. Heartbeat and handshake process are initialized (HA mode)
- 7. Peers Exchange HA State
- 8. Deployment is completed

CISCO



Site to Site Communications:: HA

- * Redundancy is offered on site to site connection
 - Both ICX and ICS offer redundant peers
 - Operation is active-standby
- The HA mechanism leverages a handshake and heartbeat process
 - A handshake to acknowledge initial state (initial role selected at configuration time)
 - A heartbeat to determine ongoing state and trigger switchover



Driver :: Functional Capabilities

Driver Functions

- To control mgmt plane functions: keep the tunnel health
- To control data plane functions: establish tunnels and send/receive traffic

Message

Encapsulate / decapsulate traffic to and from cloud VMs

Driver allows tunneled traffic (data) & control plane traffic :: drops everything else Data Data Driver Driver Outer L2H Data Outer Tunnel MAC/IP Tunnel L2H Data MAC/IP Data to and from Message sent app layer to cloud VM **Driver Encrypted** Encrypted © 2015 Cisco and/or its affiliates. All rights reserved. 68

Message at ICS

Intercloud Fabric Deployment Requirements

Internet Router/Firewall must allow outbound/inbound traffic originating from enterprise network to the range of provider IP addresses for the following protocols and ports:

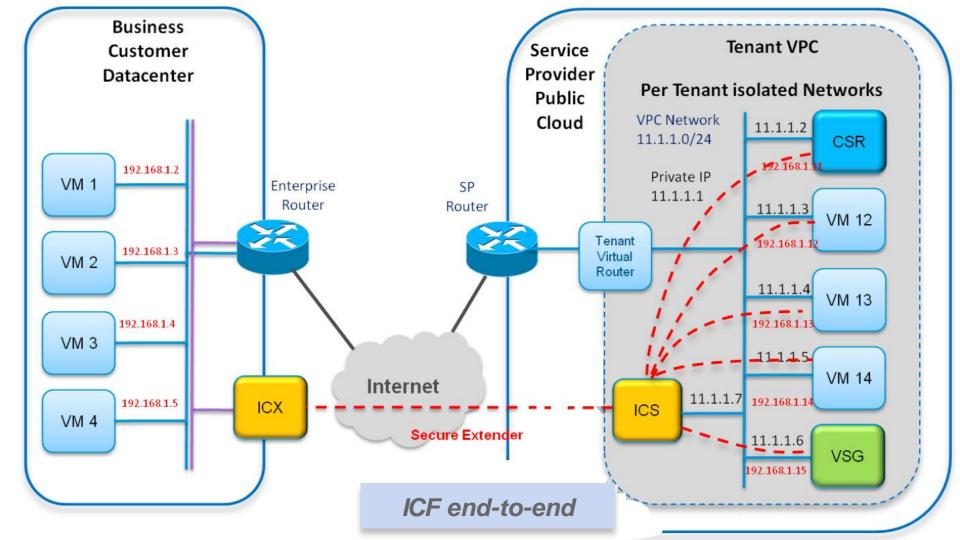
Protocols/ports in Use

- 80 HTTP access for AWS calls and communicating with InterCloud VMs in provider cloud
- 443 HTTPS access for AWS calls and communicating with InterCloud VMs in provider cloud
- 22 SSH to InterCloud VMs in provider cloud
- UDP 6644 TLS data tunnel (if UDP is used for transport)
- TCP 6646 TLS data tunnel (if TCP is used for transport) added as a choice given enterprise rules
- TCP 6644 TLS control tunnel

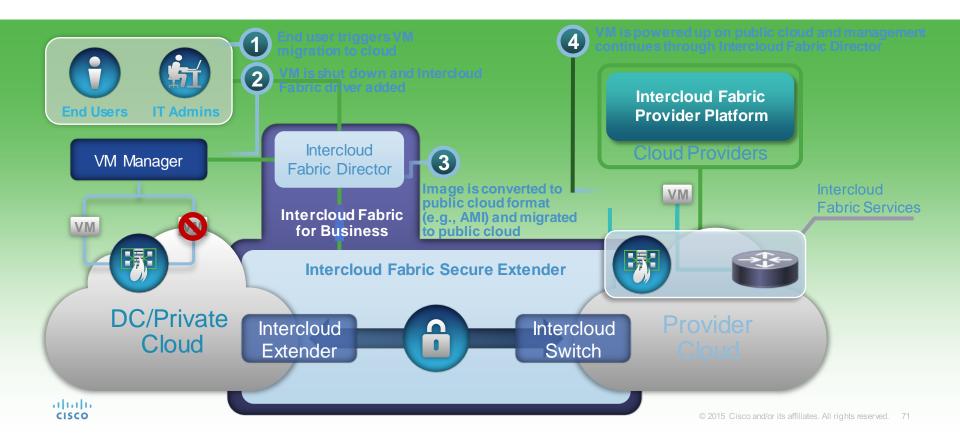
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ICX to ICX messages: UDP port 9984

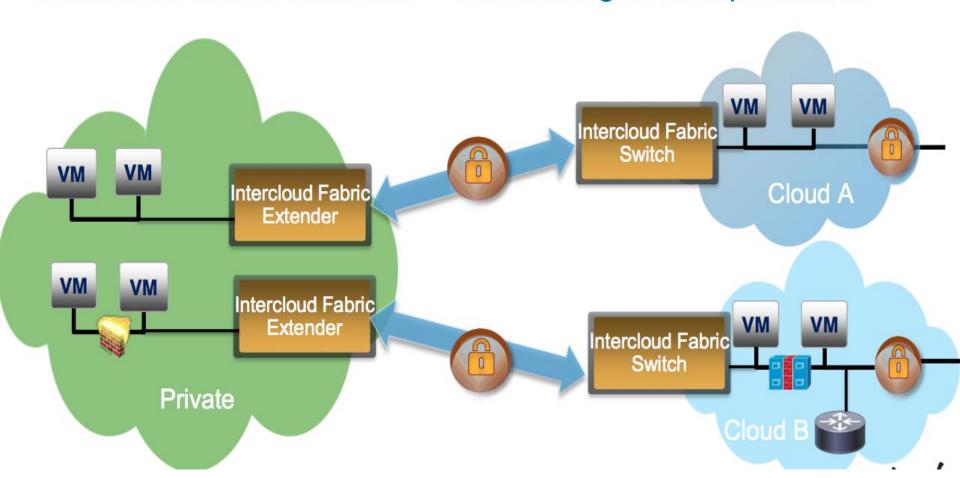




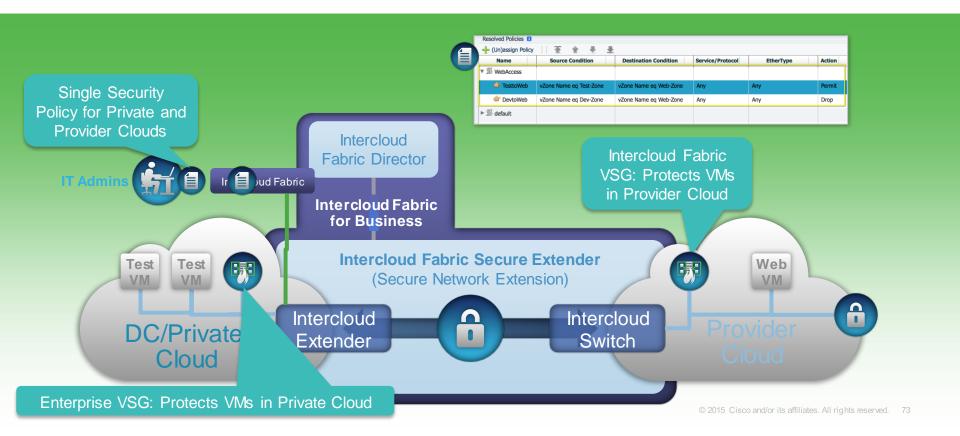
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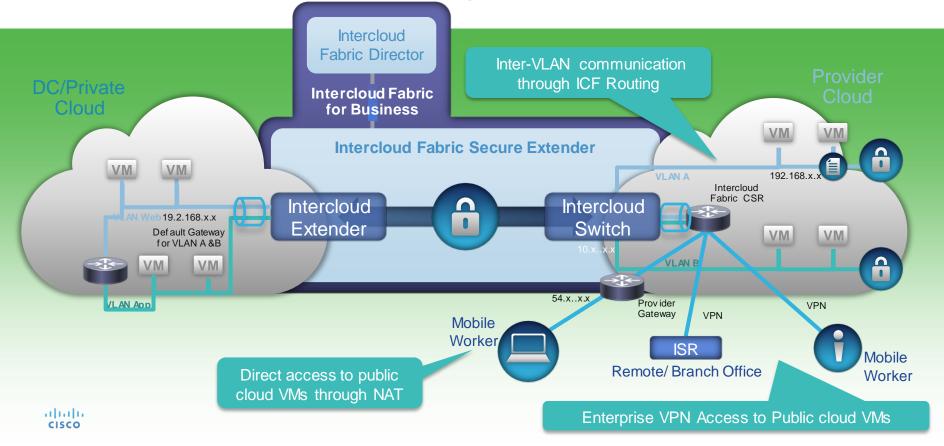
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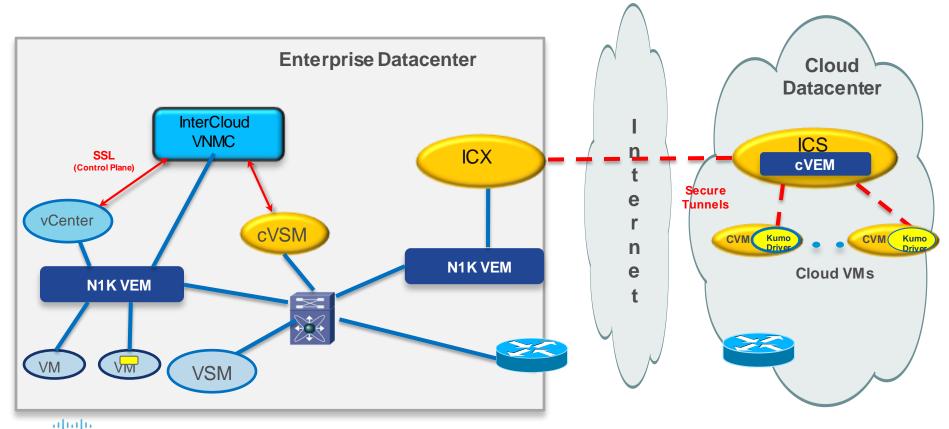
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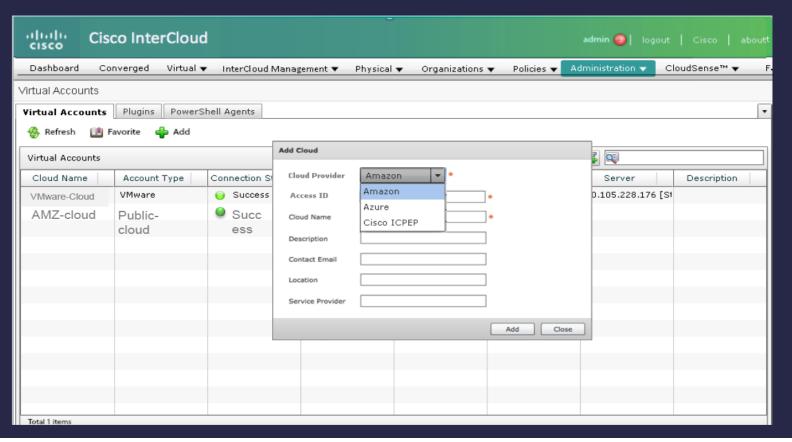
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Packet Flow: VM → ICX → ICS → CVM



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