

# Cisco Software Defined Access

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Solution Fundamentals

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# Why Cisco SD-Access LISP?

# Traditional Networking Challenges

## Network Deployment Challenges



### Network Infrastructure



Switching

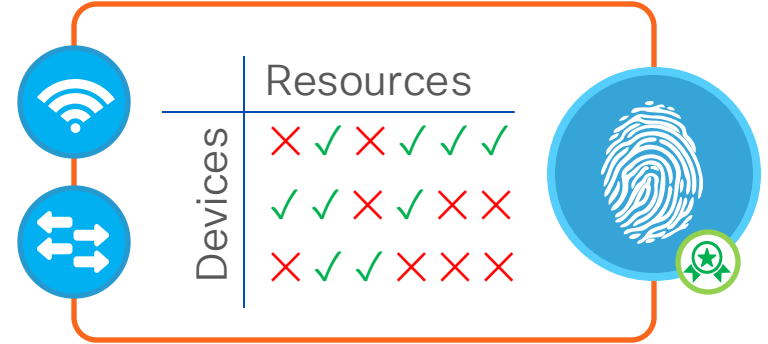


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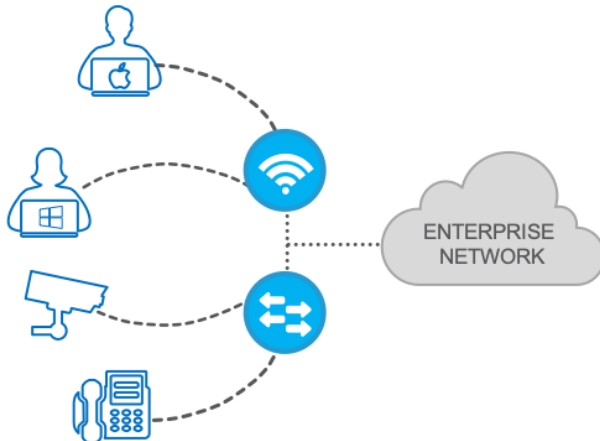


Wireless

## Network Security Challenges



## Wireless and Wired Challenges

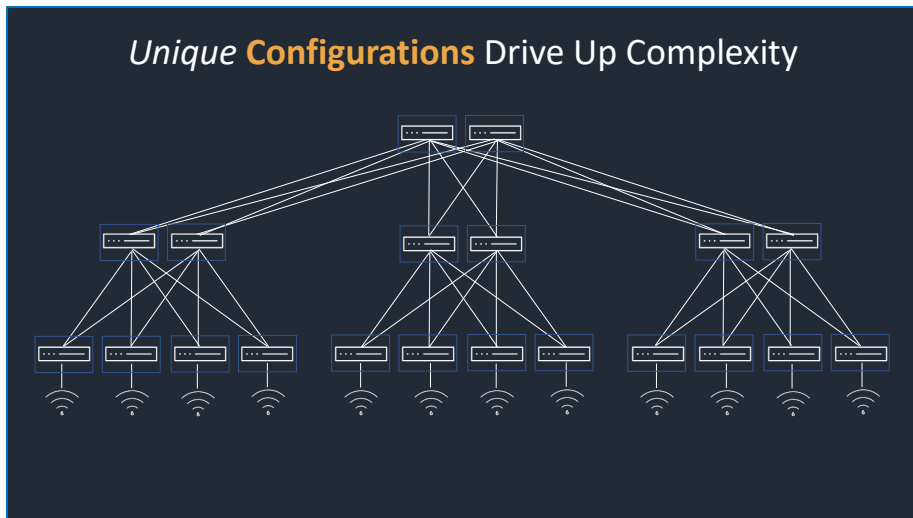
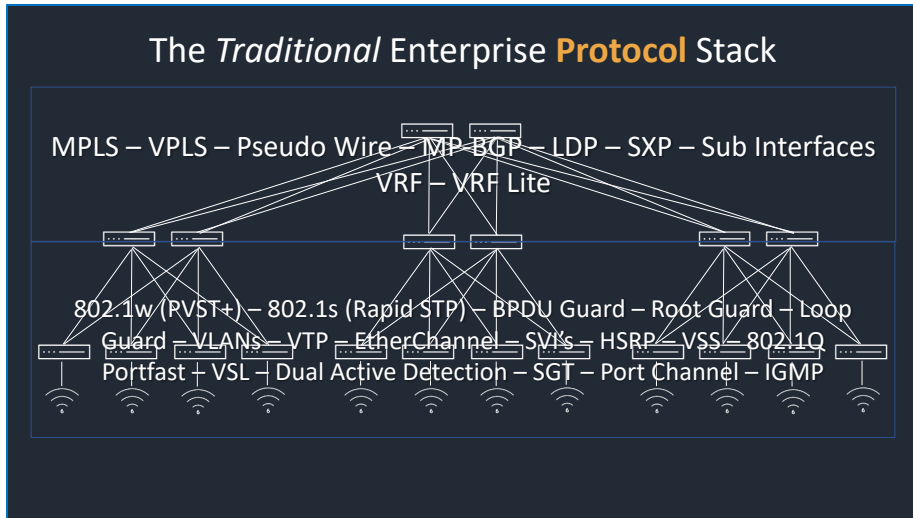


## Network Operations Challenges

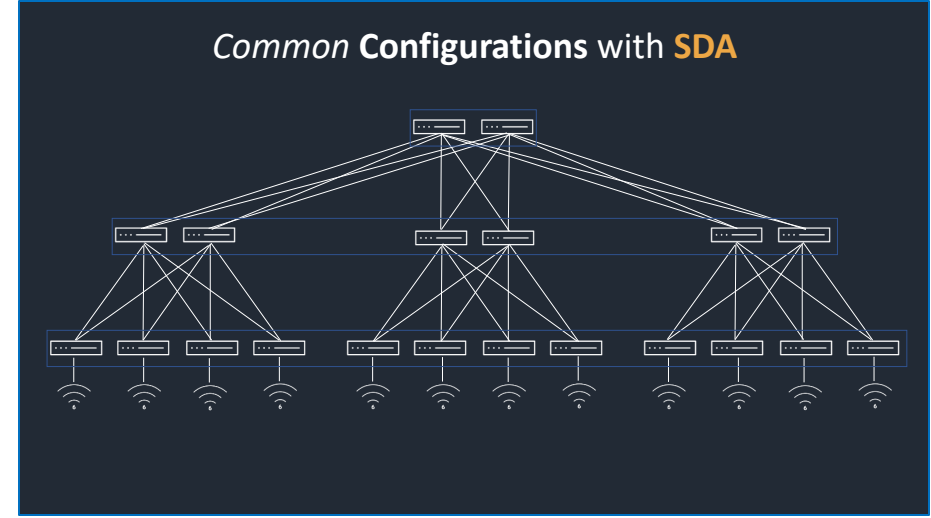
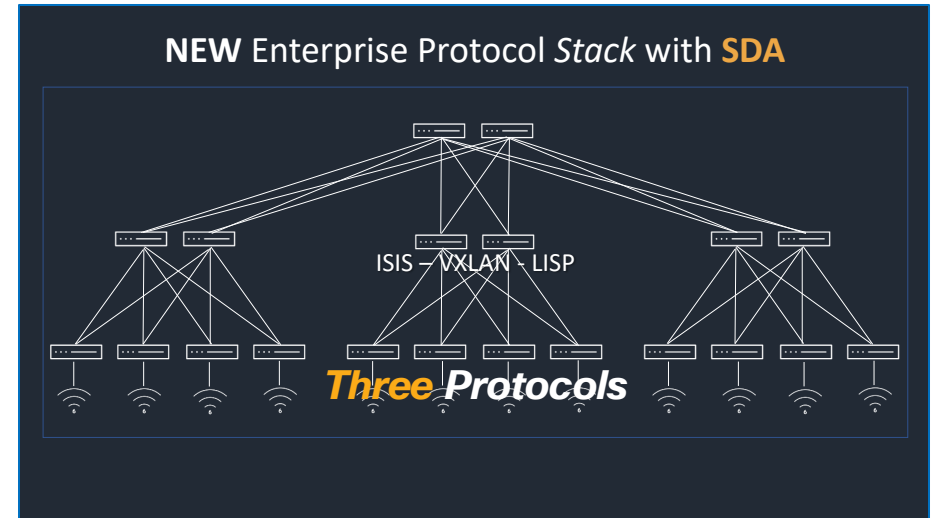


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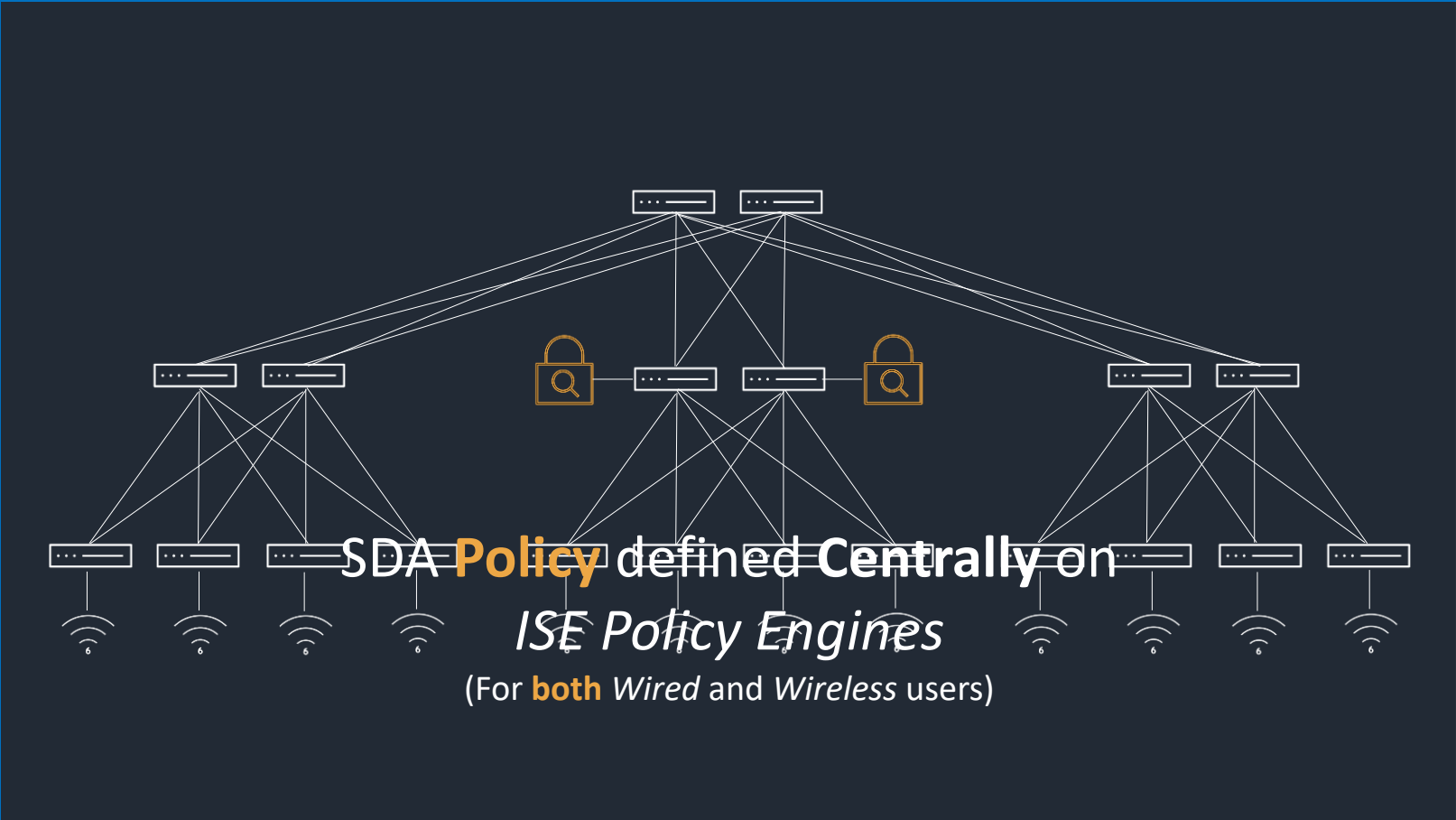


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**Eliminates Layer 2** and **Simplifies Network Protocol Stack**

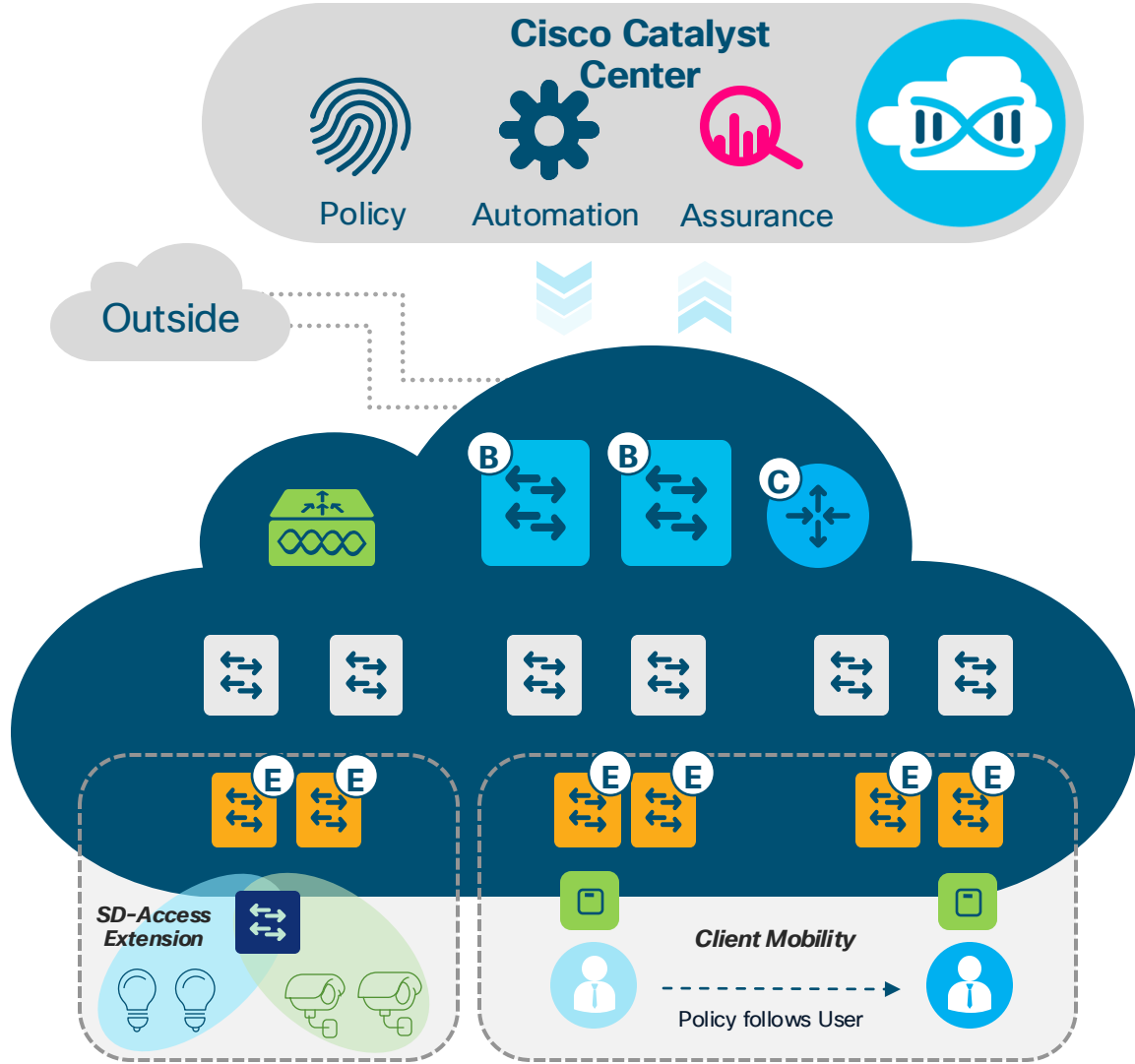
# SDA Dramatically *Simplifies* the Network



**Single Policy Store** for  
**Wired** and **Wireless Users**


# Cisco Software-Defined Access

## Intent-Based Networking




### One Automated Network Fabric

Single fabric for wired and wireless with full automation



### Identity-Based Policy and Segmentation

Policy definition decoupled from VLAN and IP address



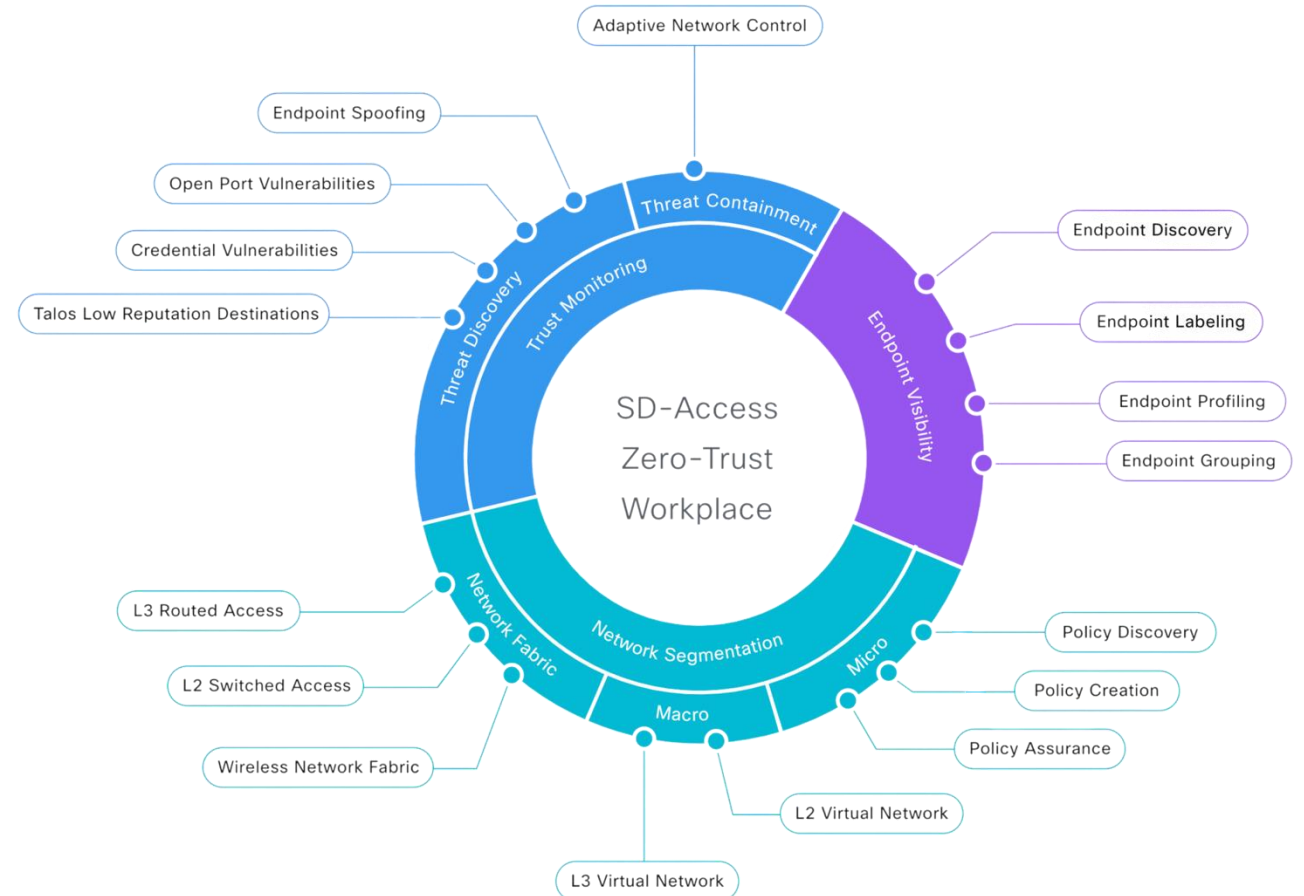
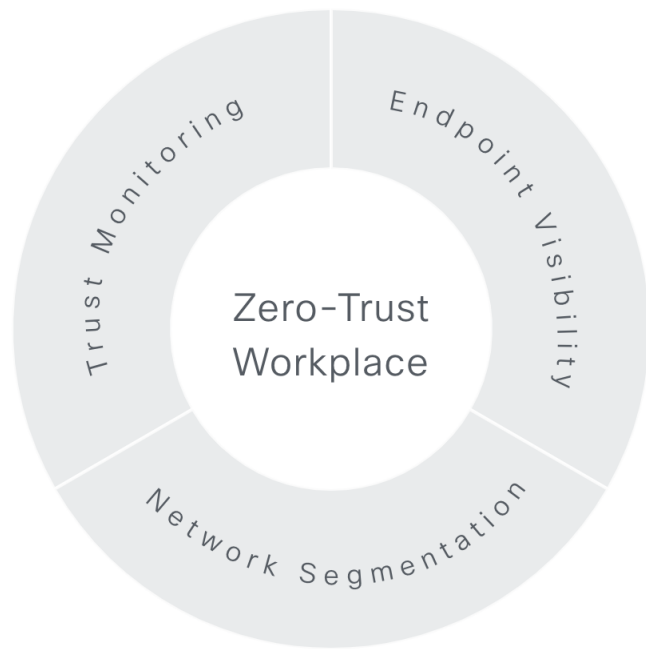
### AI-Driven Insights and Telemetry

Analytics and visibility into user and application experience

# SD-Access Zero-Trust Workplace

Based on the Organization's goal, explore and achieve Zero Trust for workplace.

3 Pillars of SD-Access Zero Trust Workplace: Visibility, Segmentation, and Trust.



# Modern, Open and Scalable Fabrics

IETF Standard based Protocols

Cisco Catalyst Center

Cisco SD-Access

LISP Fabric

Cisco Catalyst 9000

BGP EVPN Fabric



Enterprise



Healthcare



Education



Financial



Public Sector



Manufacturing



Hospitality



Media



Transportation



Retail

# Flexible Fabric Options Tailored to *Customer Outcomes!*

## Cisco SD-Access with LISP Control Plane VXLAN Data Plane

### Network Simplification

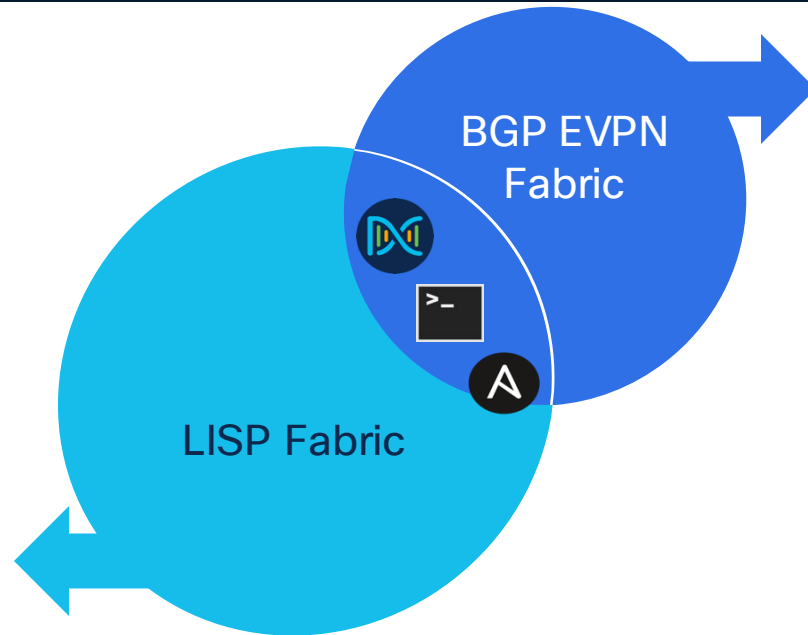
Lightweight, extensible, massive scale with rapid convergence. Single overlay for wired and wireless

### Mobility First Requirement

Fabric Integrated Wireless, L2 Mobility, enhanced wireless performance

### Segmentation

Zero-Trust Architecture with Unified Wired and Wireless Policy



## BGP EVPN Control Plane VXLAN Data Plane

### One Fabric Architecture (Campus and DC)

Operational ease with a single familiar protocol

### Multi-vendor interoperability

Vendor-agnostic solution with unique Cisco differentiators

**One Infrastructure | Single Data plane | Consistent Zero-Trust Experience**

# SD-Access Momentum



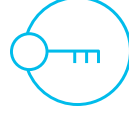
**Deployments**  
5400+ TOTAL



**Momentum**  
**Double Digit**  
YoY growth in customers



**Key Use case**  
**60%**  
Wireless



**Deployment Scale**  
**38K+** Sites    **2.6M+** Devices

Top verticals: Education, Government, Finance, Healthcare and Manufacturing

# Roles and Terminology

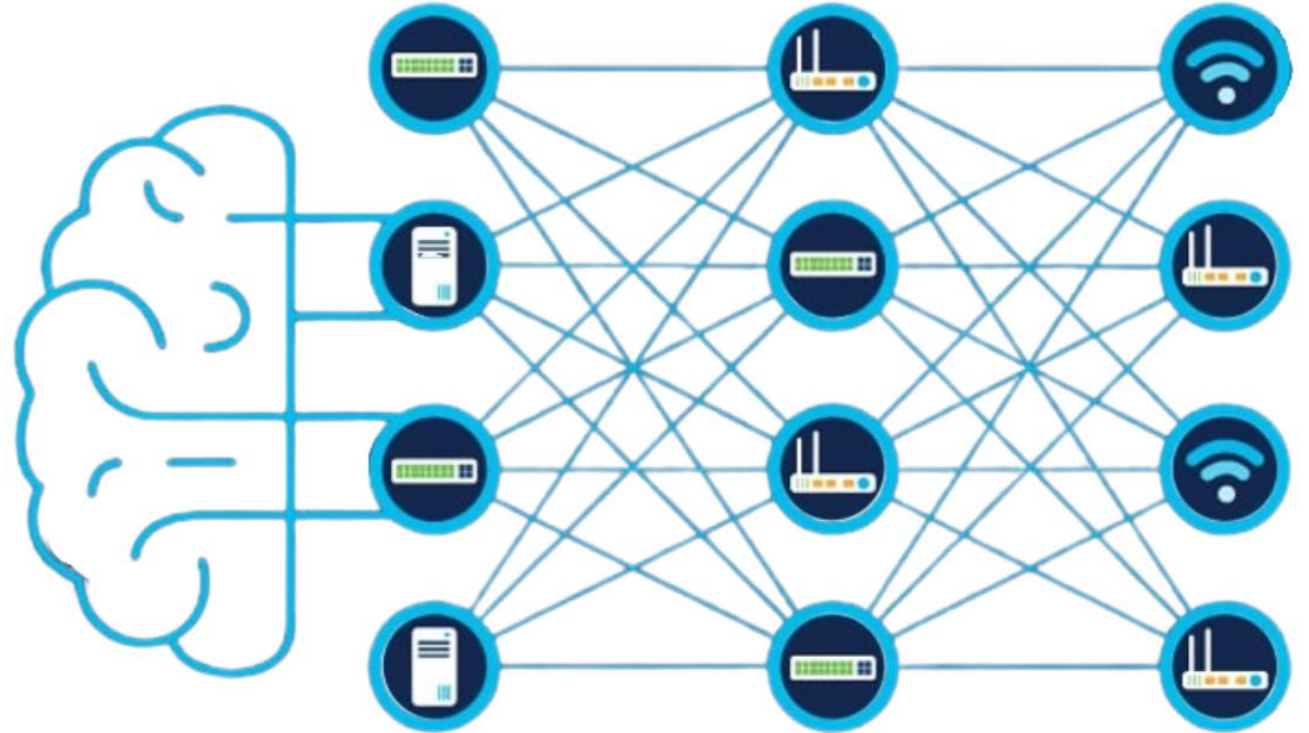
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2. SD-Access Roles

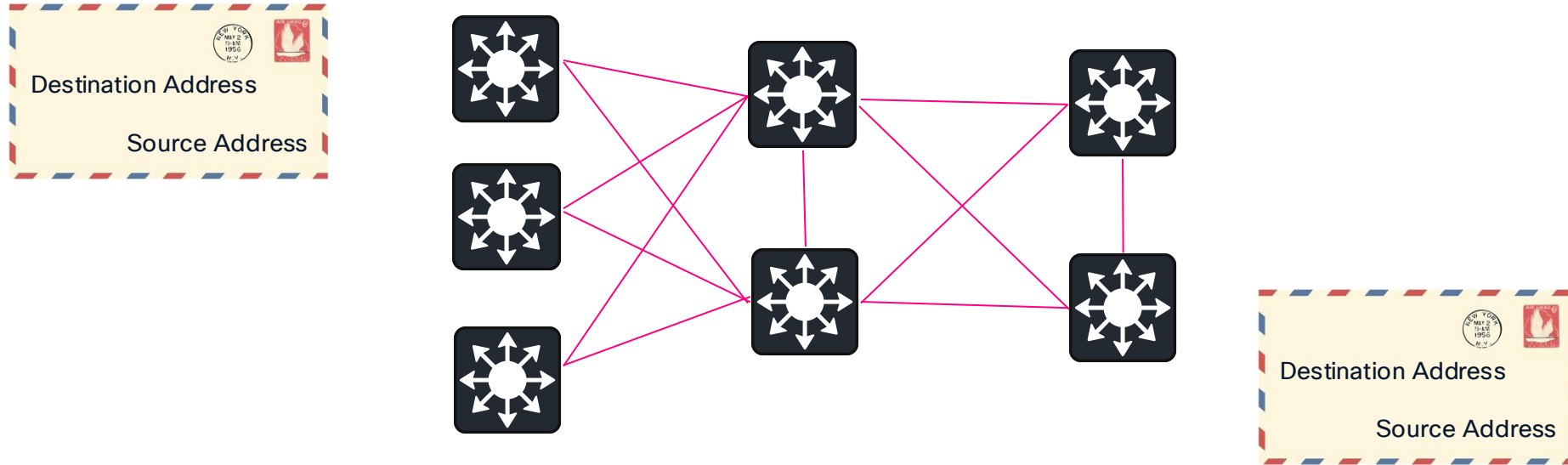
3. Fabric Constructs

# What is a Network Fabric?

- Transports data from source to destination.
- Mesh of connections between network devices.
- Usually refers to a virtualized, automated lattice of overlay connections.

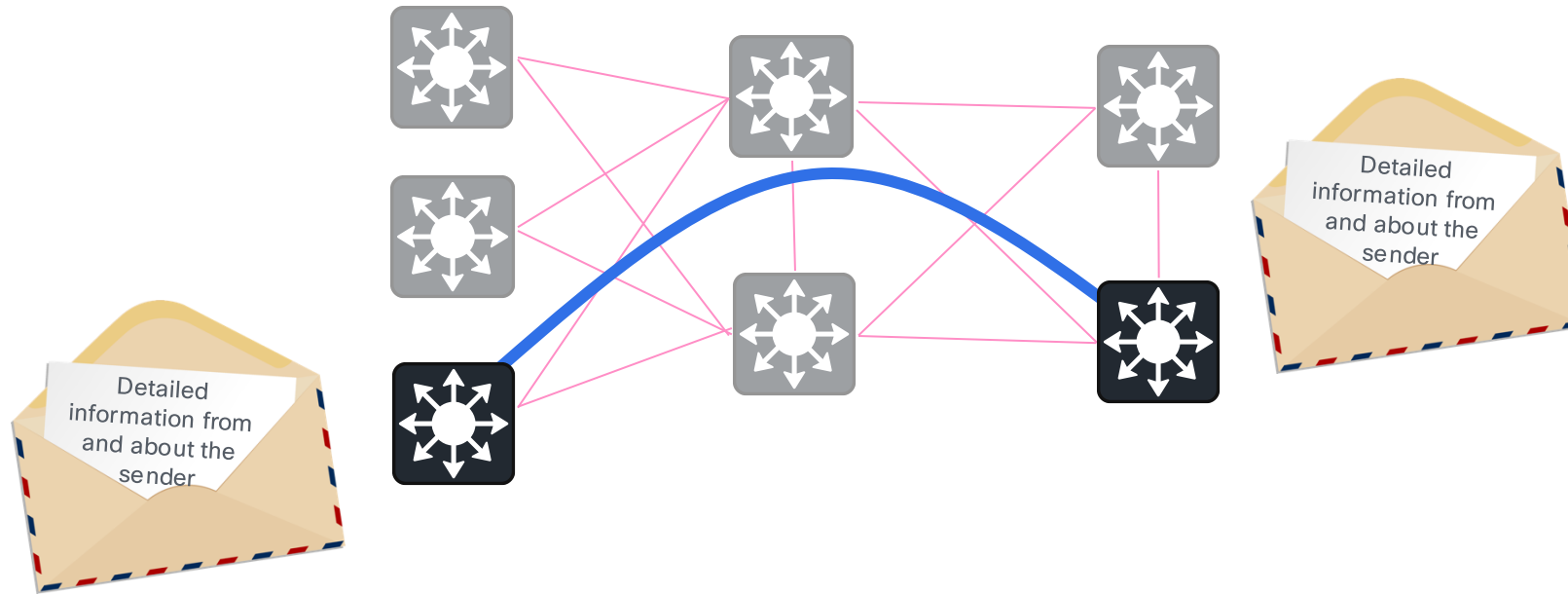


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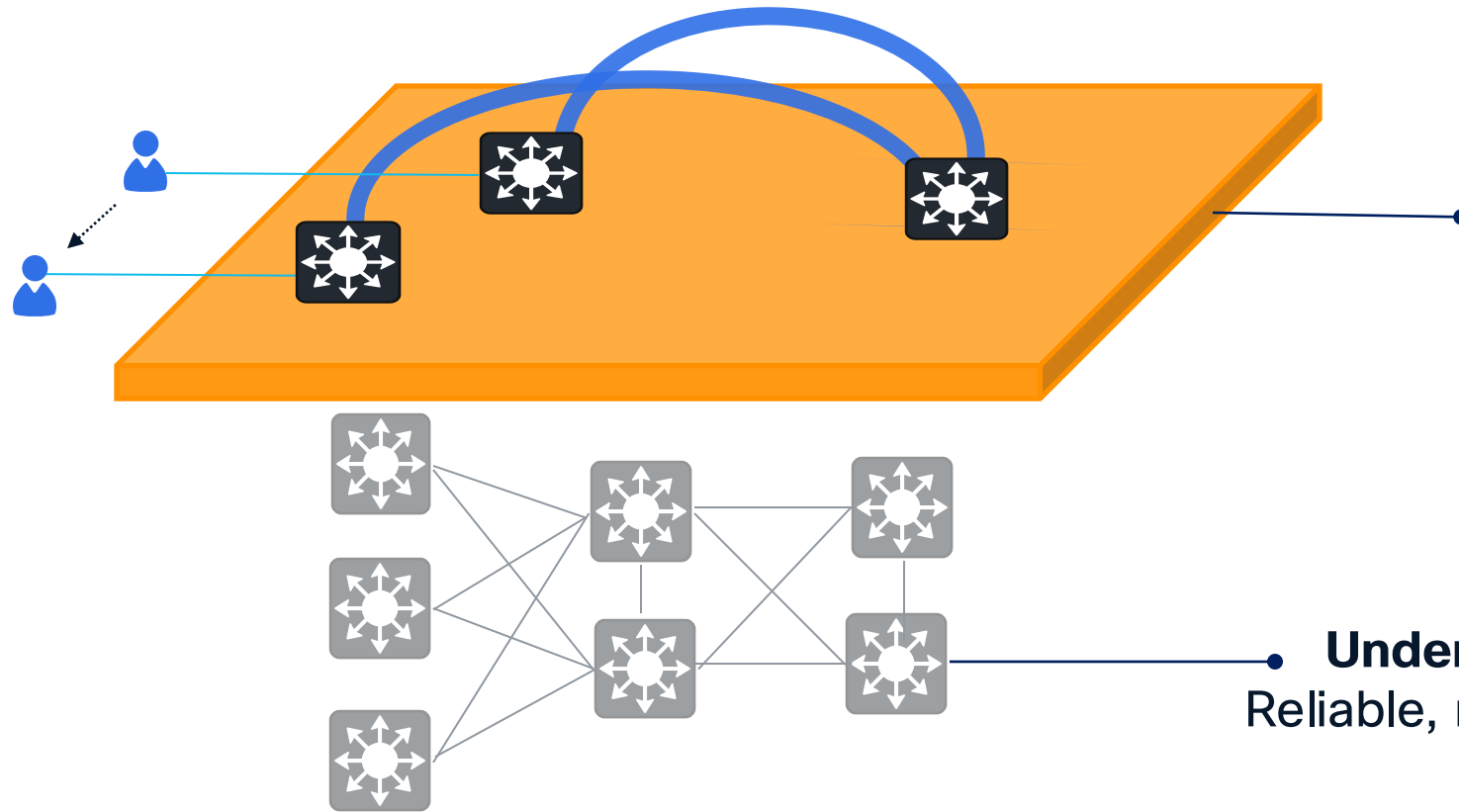
**Underlay Network** = Physical Infrastructure to provide IP reachability with redundancy and resiliency.

# Underlay and Overlay



**Overlay Network** = Logical topology used to virtually connect devices to provide additional services, not delivered by the Underlay.

# Underlay and Overlay

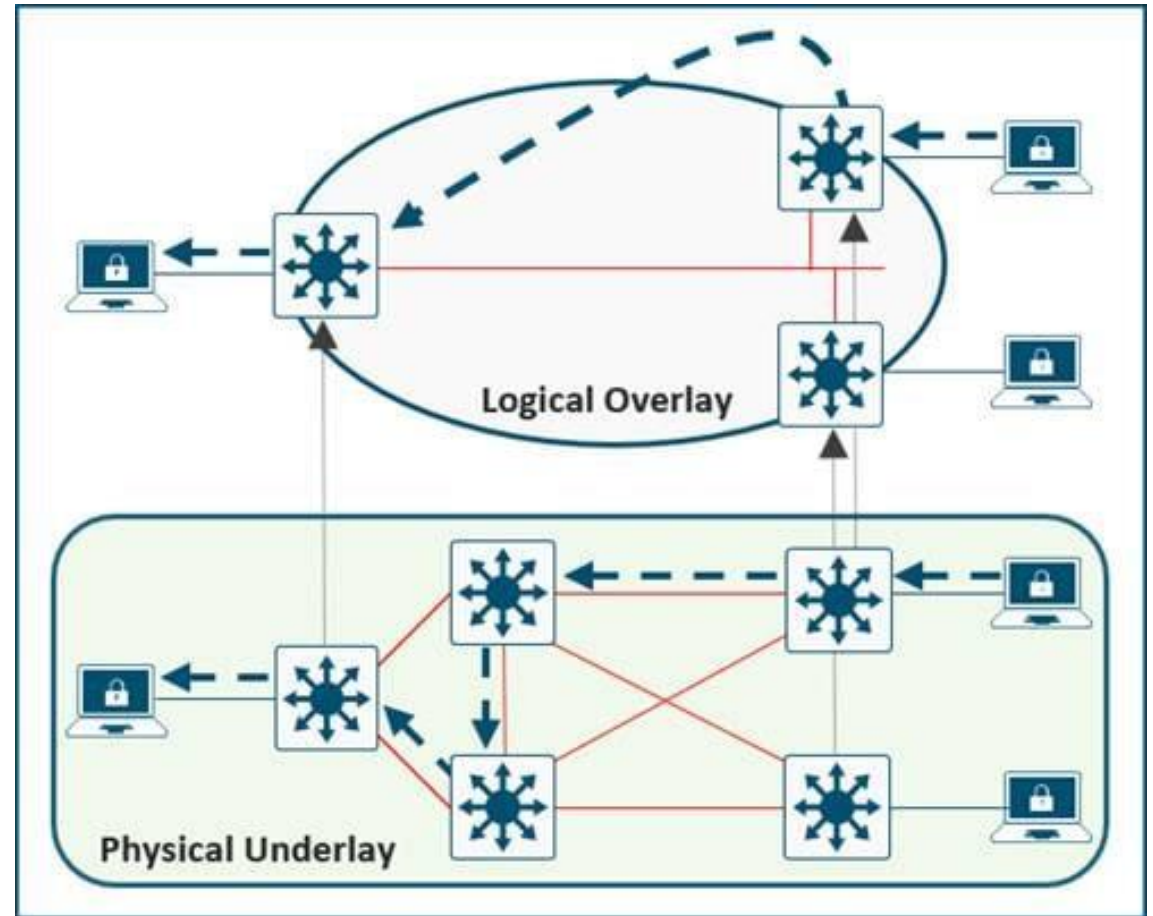


**Overlay (Fabric):** Flexible, Scalable and Extensible. Easy to add/modify services. Optimizes mobility events.

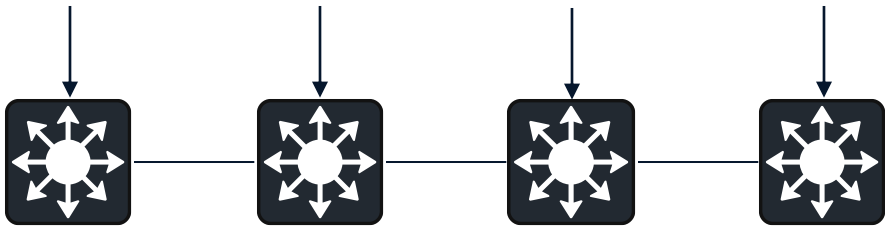
**Underlay:** Build and forget! Reliable, manageable, and simple.

# What is an Overlay?

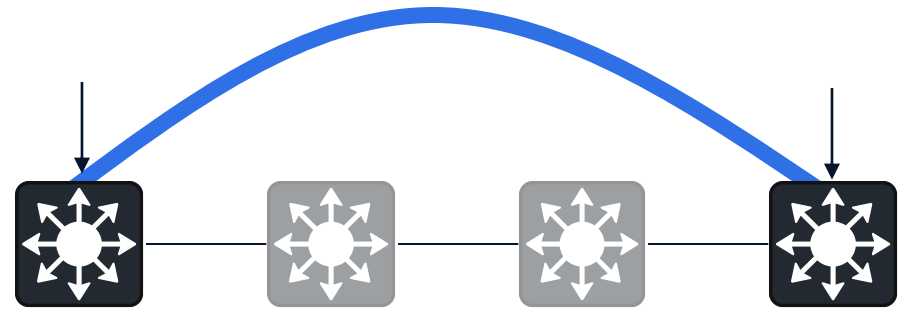
- An Overlay network is a logical topology used to virtually connect devices, built over an arbitrary physical Underlay topology.
- Examples of overlay technologies:
  - GRE
  - MPLS
  - IPsec
  - CAPWAP
  - LISP
  - VXLAN
  - BGP EVPN
  - SD-WAN
  - ACI
  - OTV



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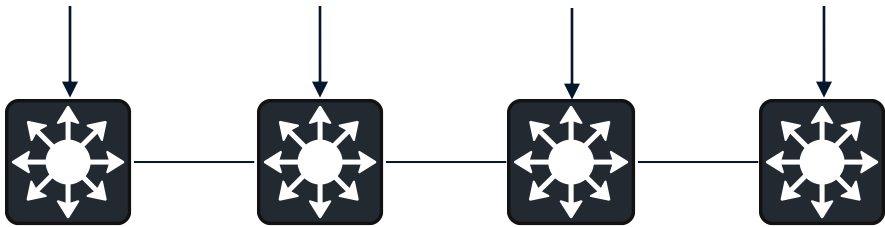


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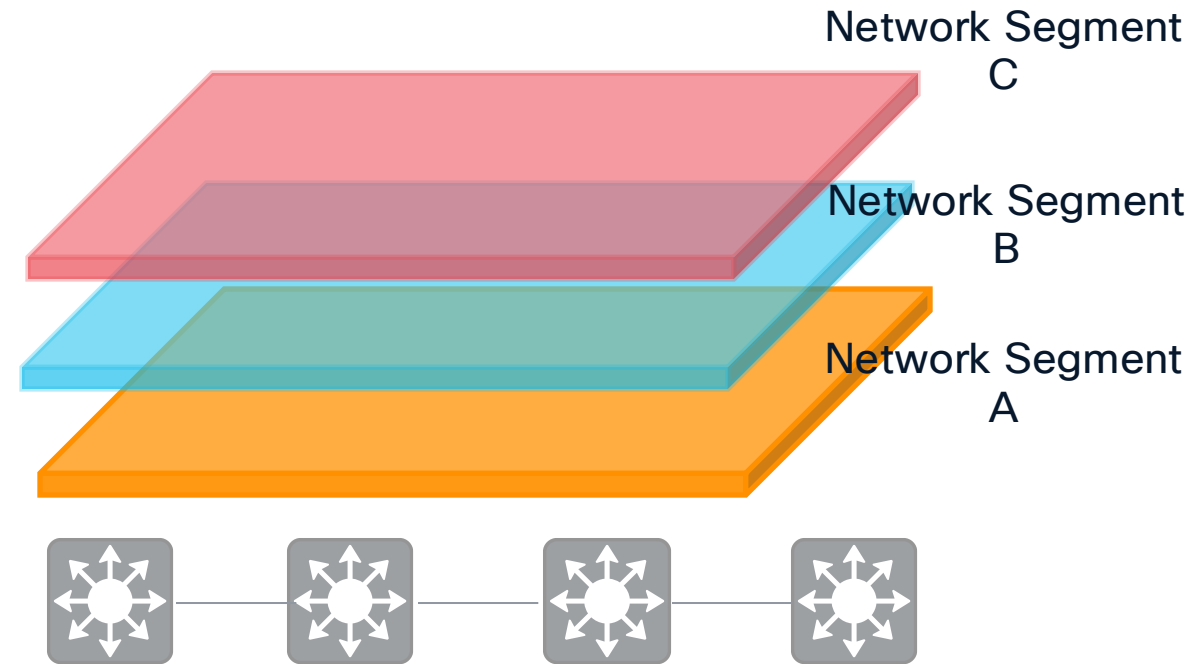


Or simply carry the segmentation tags in the overlay?

# Underlay and Overlay



Would you configure network segmentation hop-by-hop?



Multiple segments in the overlay that underlay is unaware of!

# Underlay and Overlay

In context of SD-Access LISP

## What about our good friend Underlay?



IGP of your choice that gets information from Source RLOC to Destination RLOC, the best way it can.

BGP VRF-Lite for external communications

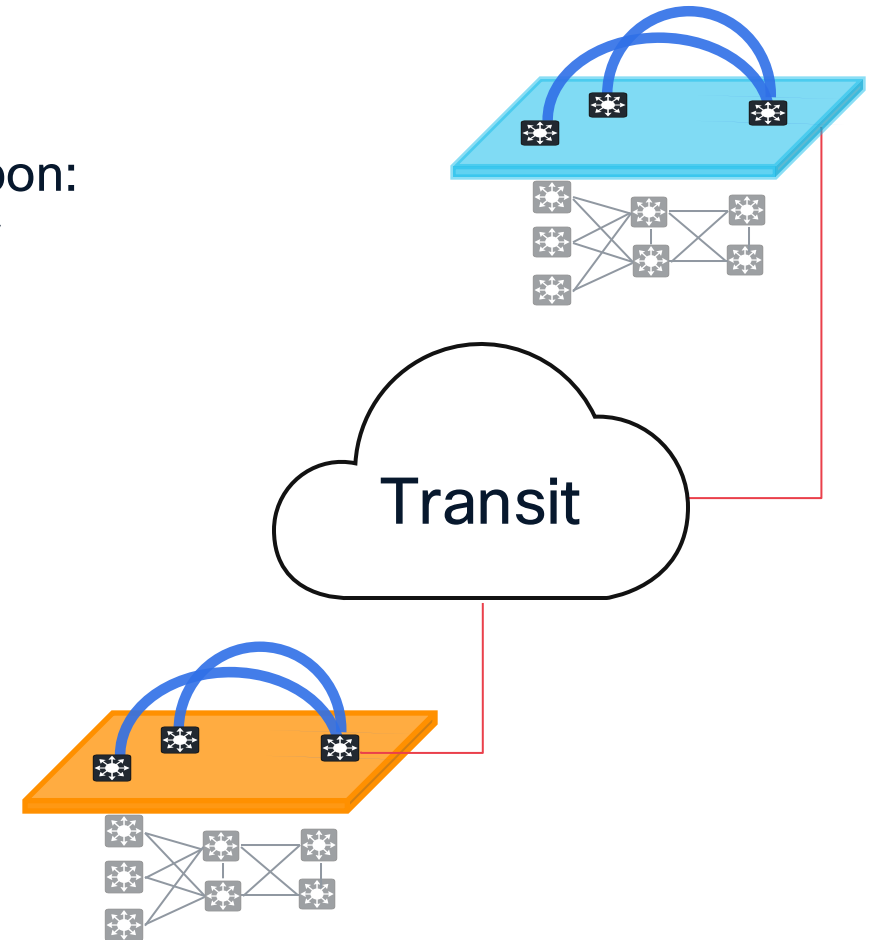
# What is an SD-Access Fabric Site?

SD-Access Fabric Site offers programmable overlays for wired and wireless campus networks, enabled on a single physical infrastructure.

A single fabric site could be demarcated and defined based upon:

- Collection of Edge Nodes, Border/CPs, and optionally Wireless LAN Controllers/Access Points.
- Geographical location.
- Required scale, network devices.
- Failure domain scoping.
- RTT.
- Underlay connectivity attributes.

Multiple fabric sites interconnected by a “Transit”.



# Roles and Terminology

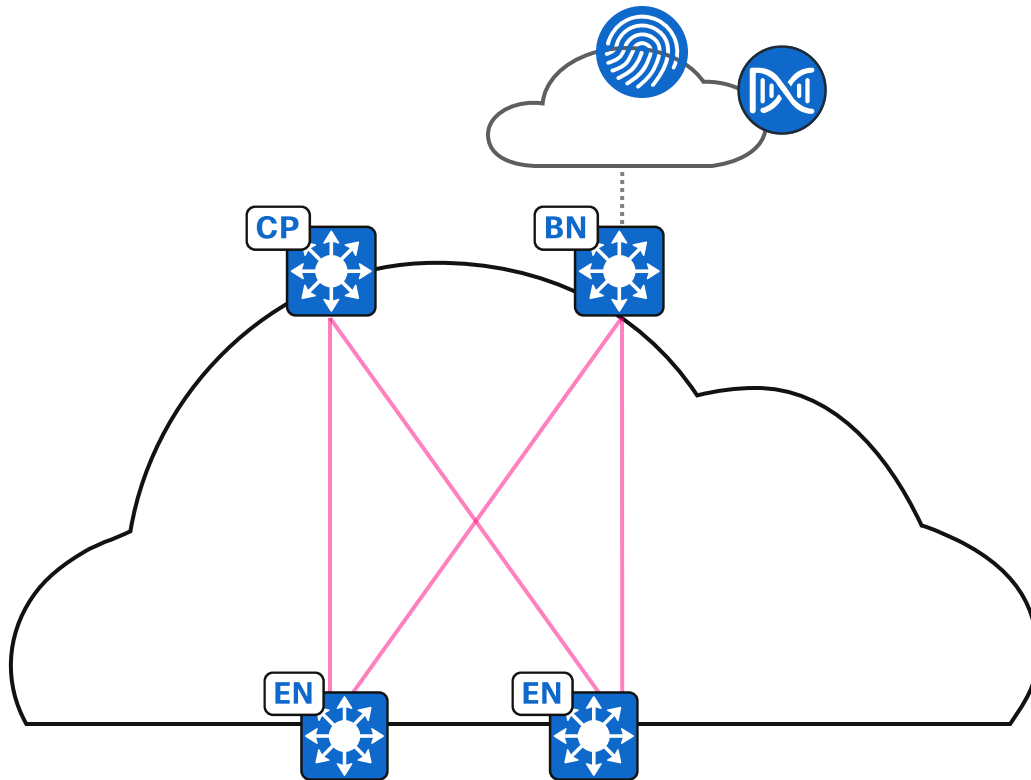
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3. Fabric Constructs

# Cisco SD-Access Roles

Key Roles for a Complete Wired and Wireless SDA Fabric Experience



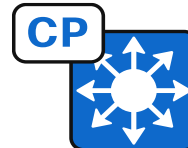
## Cisco Catalyst Center

GUI and APIs for intent-based automation of wired and wireless fabric devices.



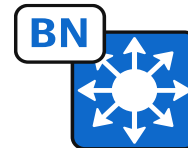
## Identity Service Engine

NAC and ID services for dynamic endpoint to Security Group Tag mapping and policy distribution.



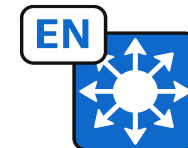
## Control Plane Node

Map System that tracks endpoint to fabric node relationships.



## Border Nodes

Connects external L3 and L2 networks to the Cisco SD-Access fabric.

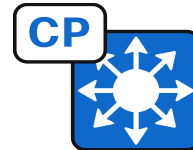
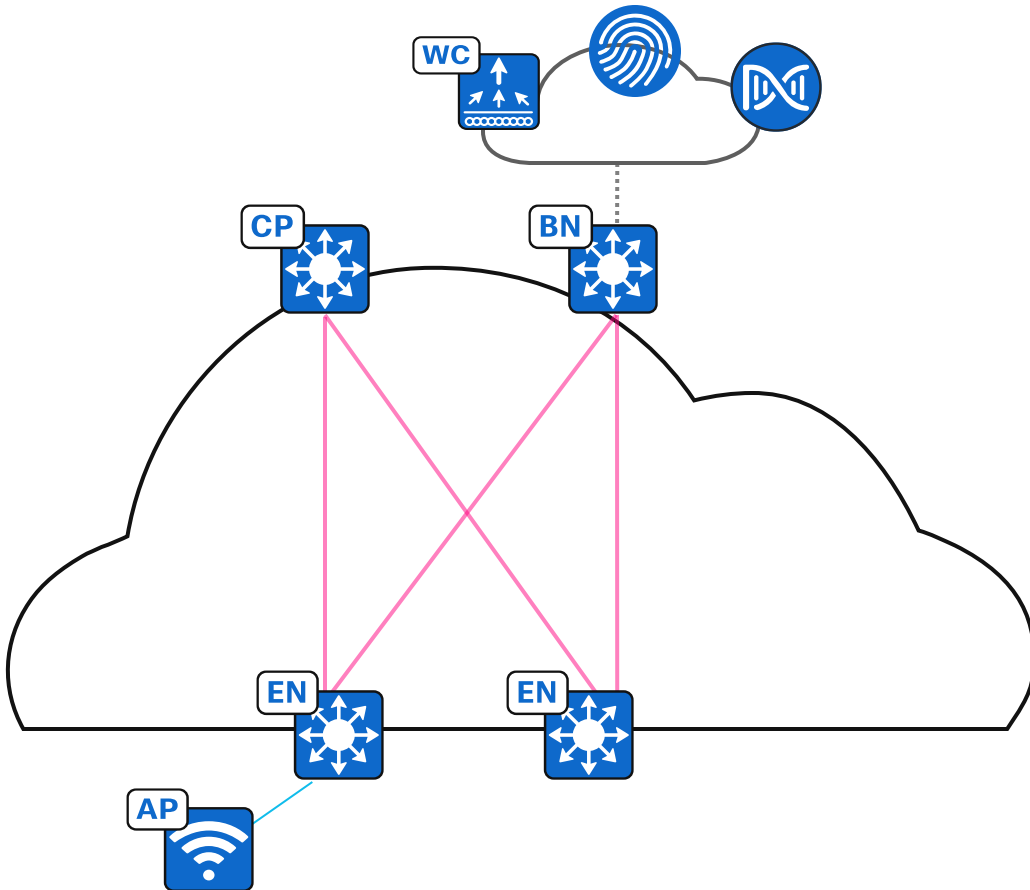


## Edge Nodes

Connects wired endpoints to the Cisco SD-Access fabric and optionally enforces micro-segmentation policy.

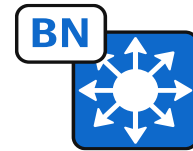
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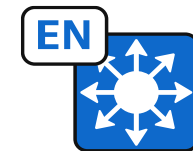
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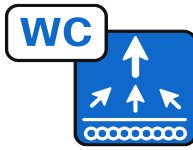
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## Edge Nodes

Connects wired endpoints and Fabric APs to the Cisco SD-Access fabric and optionally enforces micro-segmentation policy.



## Fabric Wireless Controller

Fabric WLC is integrated into the SD-Access Control Plane (LISP) communication.

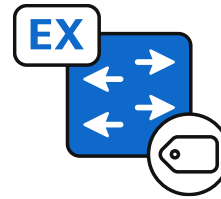
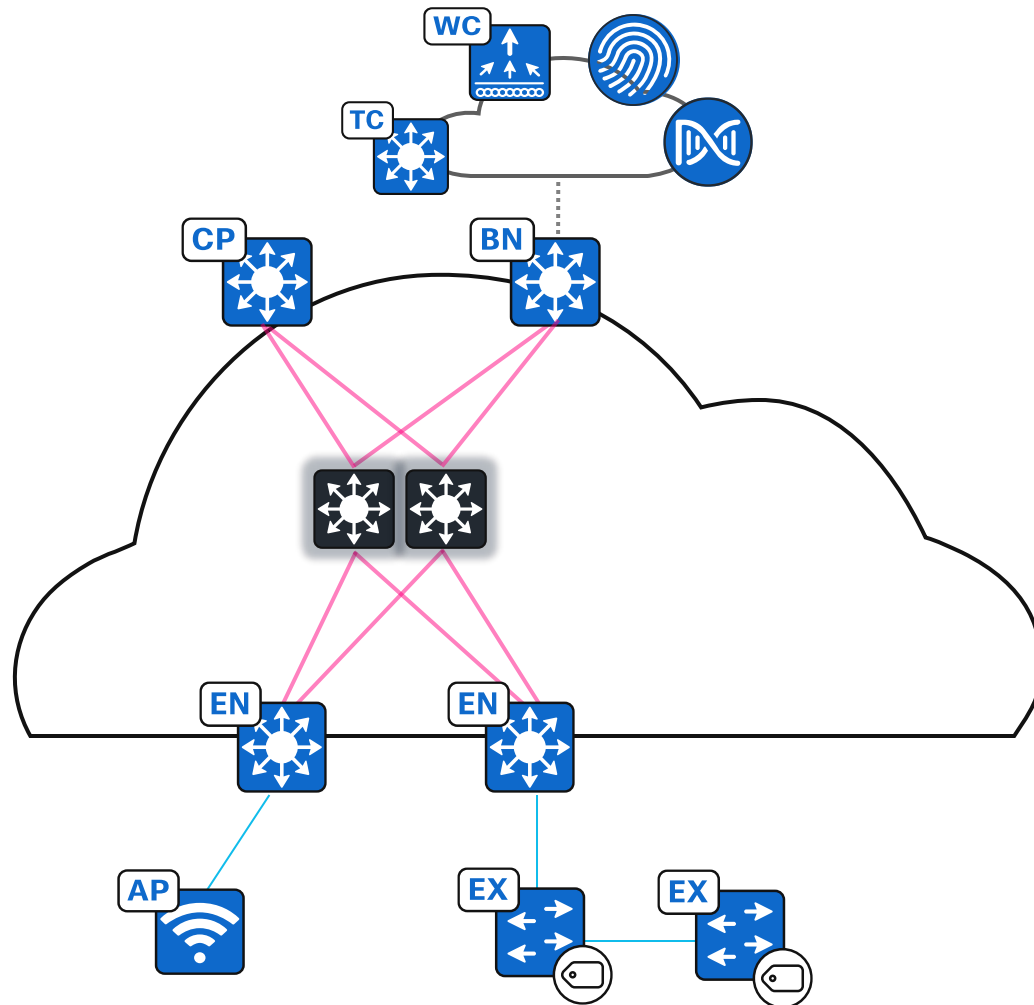


## Fabric Access Point

Switches endpoint traffic to the adjacent Edge Node.

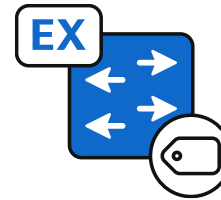
# Cisco SD-Access Roles

Additional Roles for Reference



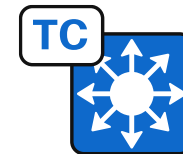
## Extended Nodes

A switch operating at Layer 2 that extends fabric connectivity and optionally enforces micro-segmentation policy.



## Policy Extended Nodes

Switch able to do Auth, VLAN & SGT assignment and policy enforcement at the edge, without VXLAN tunnelling.



## Transit Control Plane Nodes

Facilitates connectivity of multiple SD-Access fabric sites while preserving end to end segmentation.



## Intermediate Nodes

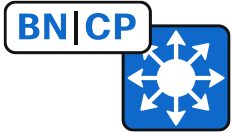
Moves data between fabric nodes. Can be one or many hops. Part of the underlay.

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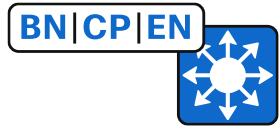
Some of the Supported Colocations



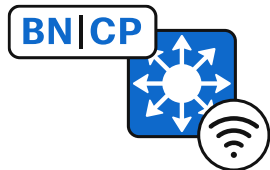
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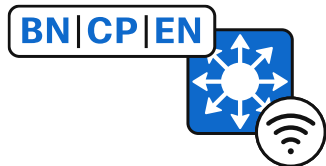
Border Node and Control Plane Node.



Border Node, Control Plane Node, and Fabric Edge Node.



Border Node, Control Plane Node, and Embedded Wireless Controller.



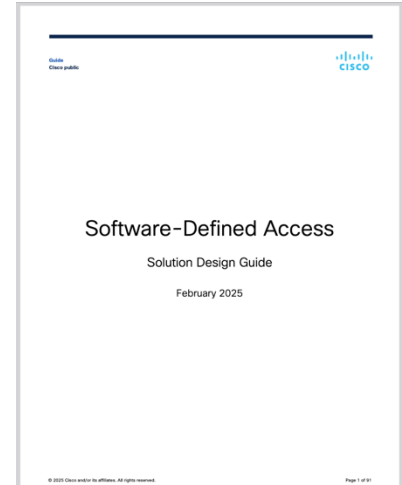
Border Node, Control Plane Node, Fabric Edge Node, and Embedded Wireless Controller.

# SD-Access Design Resources

Cisco Validated Design:  
<https://cs.co/sda-cvd>

SDA Design Tool (use Chrome):  
<http://cs.co/sda-design-tool>

SDA Compatibility Matrix:  
<http://cs.co/sda-compatibility-matrix>



SD Access  Non-Fabric

Application:  Release:  Device Role:

Note: From 2.3.7.x, Catalyst Center monitors third-party devices that are RFC 1213 SNMP MIB-II compliant. For details, see the Cisco Catalyst Center User Guide.  
From 2.3.3.x, Catalyst Center scans End of Life (EoL) milestones for non-air gap customers. Supported devices: switches, hubs, routers, and wireless controllers (IOS/IOS-XE).

Device Role	Device Series	Device Model	Recommended Release	Supported Release
Fabric Border and Control Plane	Cisco Catalyst 8000V Cloud Edge Platform (Fabric Control Plane only)	C8000V	IOS XE 17.15.3a	IOS XE 17.18.x IOS XE 17.15.x IOS XE 17.12.x IOS XE 17.9.x

# Cisco SD-Access Fabric

## Control Plane Node Maintains a Host and Network Tracking Database

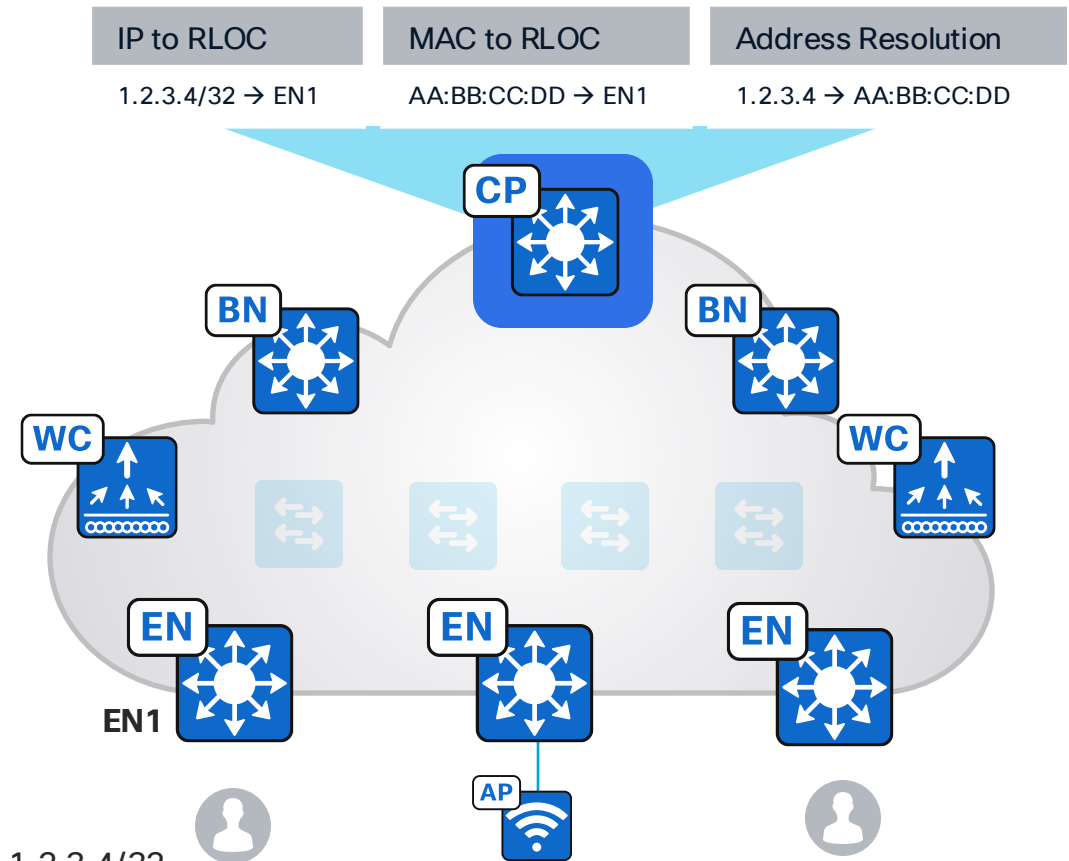
A simple Host Database that maps Endpoint IDs to locations, along with other attributes.

Host Database supports multiple types of Endpoint ID lookup types (IPv4, IPv6 or MAC).

Receives Endpoint ID map registrations from Edge Nodes, Border Nodes and Fabric Wireless LAN Controllers.

Publishes registrations to Subscribers (Border Nodes).

Resolves lookup requests from Edge Nodes and Border Nodes, to locate destination Endpoint IDs.



IP - 1.2.3.4/32  
MAC - AA:BB:CC:DD

# Cisco SD-Access Fabric

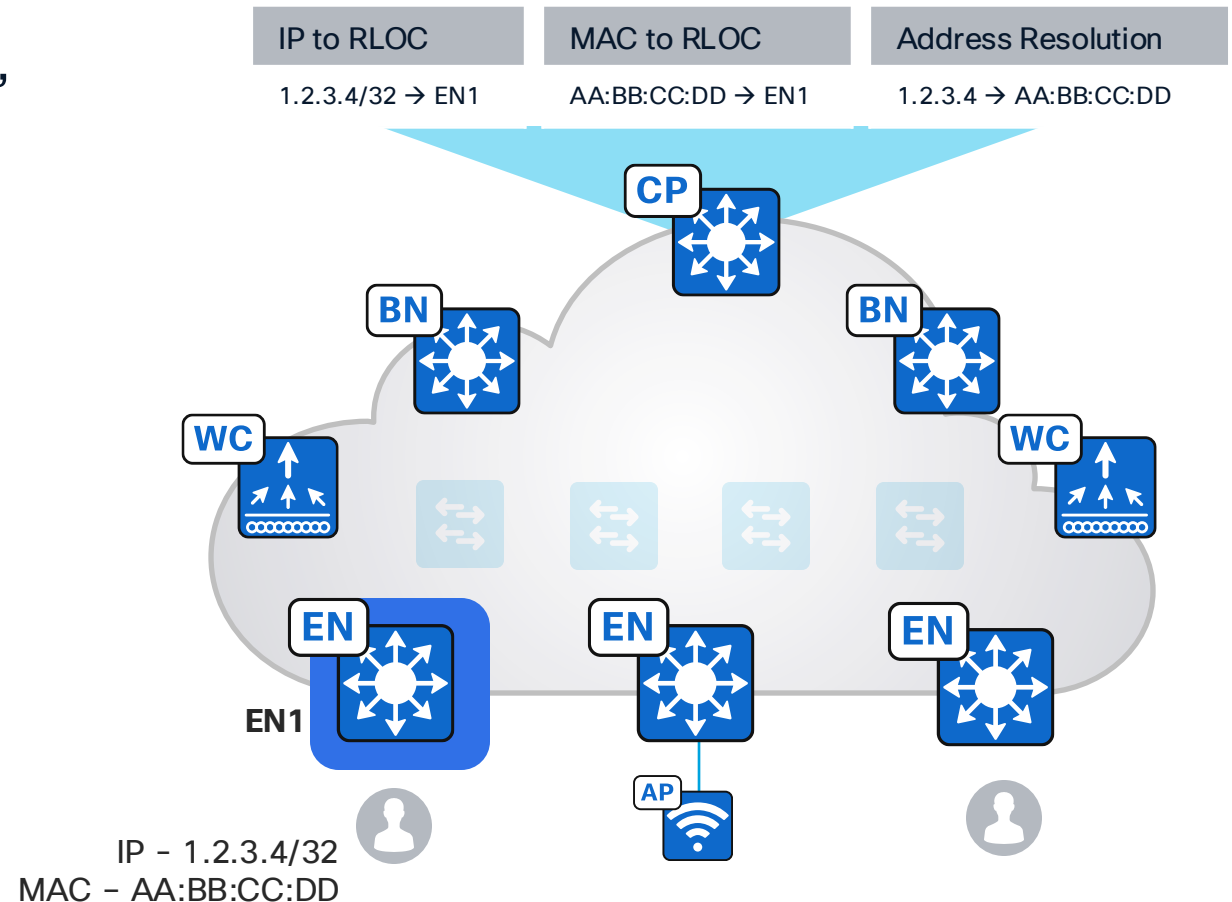
## Edge Node Provides First Hop Services for Endpoints

Responsible for Authenticating and Authorizing wired endpoints (802.1x, MAB, static) in concert with ISE.

Register Endpoint IDs (IPv4, IPv6, MAC) with the Control Plane Nodes.

Provide an Anycast Gateway for the connected wired and wireless endpoints.

Performs VXLAN encapsulation and decapsulation of traffic to and from all connected wired endpoints.



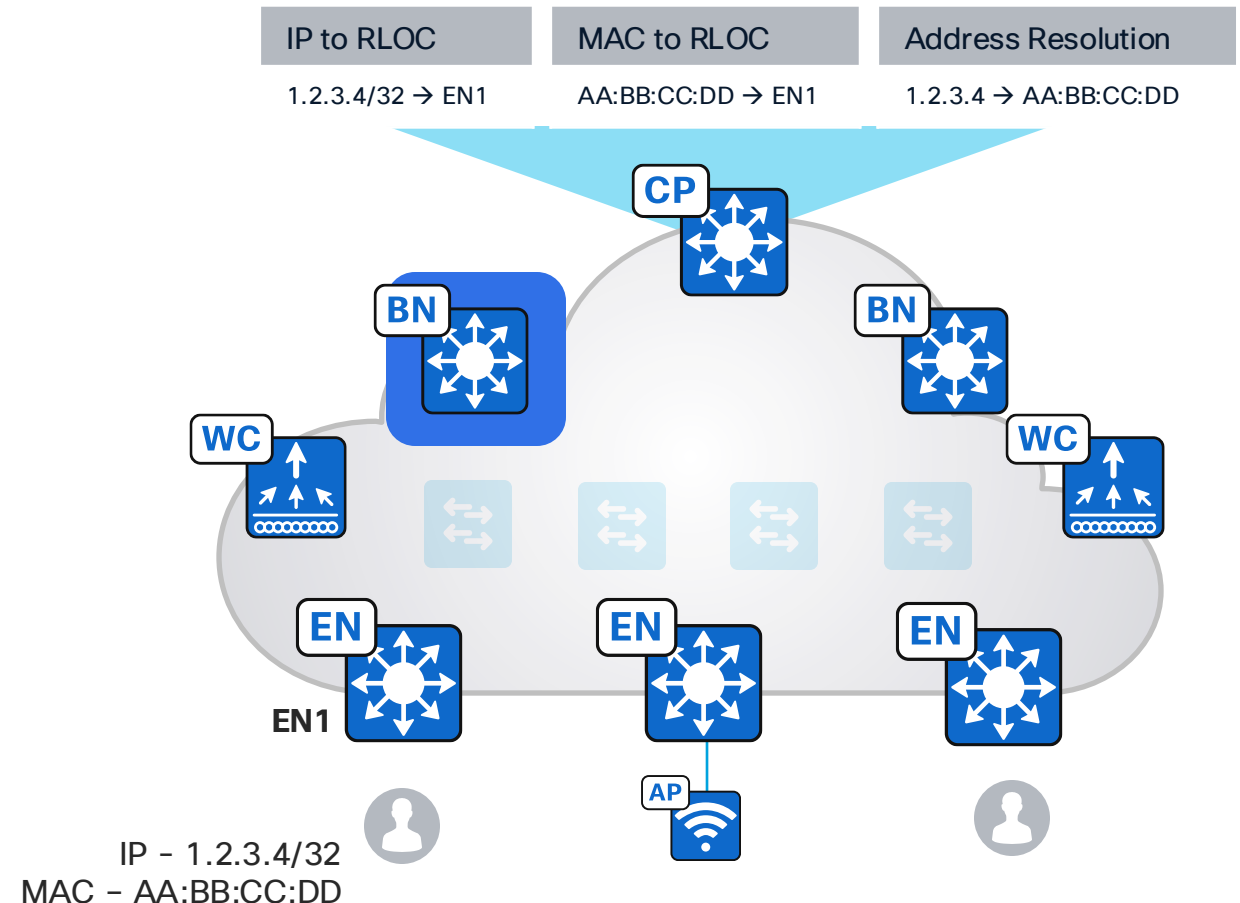
# Cisco SD-Access Fabric

**Border Node** is the Fabric Site Entry and Exit for Network Traffic

Subscribes to LISP Control Plane Node IPv4 and IPv6 Tables.

There are 4 types of Border Node:

- External Border Node.
- Internal Border Node.
- Internal + External Border Node.
- Layer 2 Border Node.



# Cisco SD-Access Fabric

**Border Node** is the Fabric Site Entry and Exit for Network Traffic

## External Border Node:

The most common configuration.

Exports all fabric subnets to outside the Fabric Site as eBGP summary routes.

Acts as a gateway of last resort for the Fabric Site.

Does not register eBGP prefixes from outside the Fabric Site into the fabric Control Plane.

The screenshot shows the configuration for a Border Node named BLD2-FLR2-DST1. It features two tabs: 'Layer 3 Handoff' (selected) and 'Layer 2 Handoff'. Under the 'Layer 3 Handoff' tab, the following settings are visible:

- Enable Layer-3 Handoff
- Local Autonomous Number: 65004
- Default to all virtual networks
- Do not import external routes
- Advanced settings (gear icon)

At the bottom of the configuration panel, there is a button labeled '+ Add Transit Site'.

# Cisco SD-Access Fabric

**Border Node** is the Fabric Site Entry and Exit for Network Traffic

## Internal Border Node:

Exports all fabric subnets to outside the Fabric Site as eBGP summary routes.

Imports and registers eBGP-learned IPv4/IPv6 prefixes from outside the Fabric Site, into the fabric Control Plane.

Does not act as a gateway of last resort for the Fabric Site.

### BLD1-FLR2-DST1

Layer 3 Handoff    Layer 2 Handoff


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Enable Layer-3 Handoff


Local Autonomous Number  
65004

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Default to all virtual networks ⓘ

 **Advanced**

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 Add Transit Site

# Cisco SD-Access Fabric

**Border Node** is the Fabric Site Entry and Exit for Network Traffic

## Internal + External Border Node:

Exports all fabric subnets to outside the Fabric Site as eBGP summary routes.

Imports and registers eBGP-learned IPv4/IPv6 prefixes from outside the Fabric Site, into the fabric Control Plane.

Acts as a gateway of last resort for the Fabric Site.

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- Enable Layer-3 Handoff
- Local Autonomous Number: 65004
- Default to all virtual networks (with an information icon 'i')
- Do not import external routes (with an information icon 'i')
- Advanced**

At the bottom, there is a button with a plus sign and the text 'Add Transit Site'.

# Cisco SD-Access Fabric

**Border Node** is the Fabric Site Entry and Exit for Network Traffic

## Layer 2 Border Node:

Acts as Layer 2 handoff for pure Layer 2 Overlays or Layer 2 + Layer 3 Overlays.

Allows VLAN translation between SD-Access network segments and non-fabric VLAN IDs.

Dual homing requires link aggregation; STP is not tunneled within the SD-Access Fabric.

Ideally should be separate device from the Layer 3 Border Node.

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Layer 3 Handoff	Layer 2 Handoff
LAYER 2 VIRTUAL NETWORKS WITH A GATEWAY OUTSIDE OF THE FABRIC	
Layer 2 Virtual Network	VLANs
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LAYER 2 VIRTUAL NETWORKS WITH AN ANYCAST GATEWAY	
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# Cisco SD-Access Fabric

## Fabric Enabled Wireless for Unified Management, Policy and Data Planes

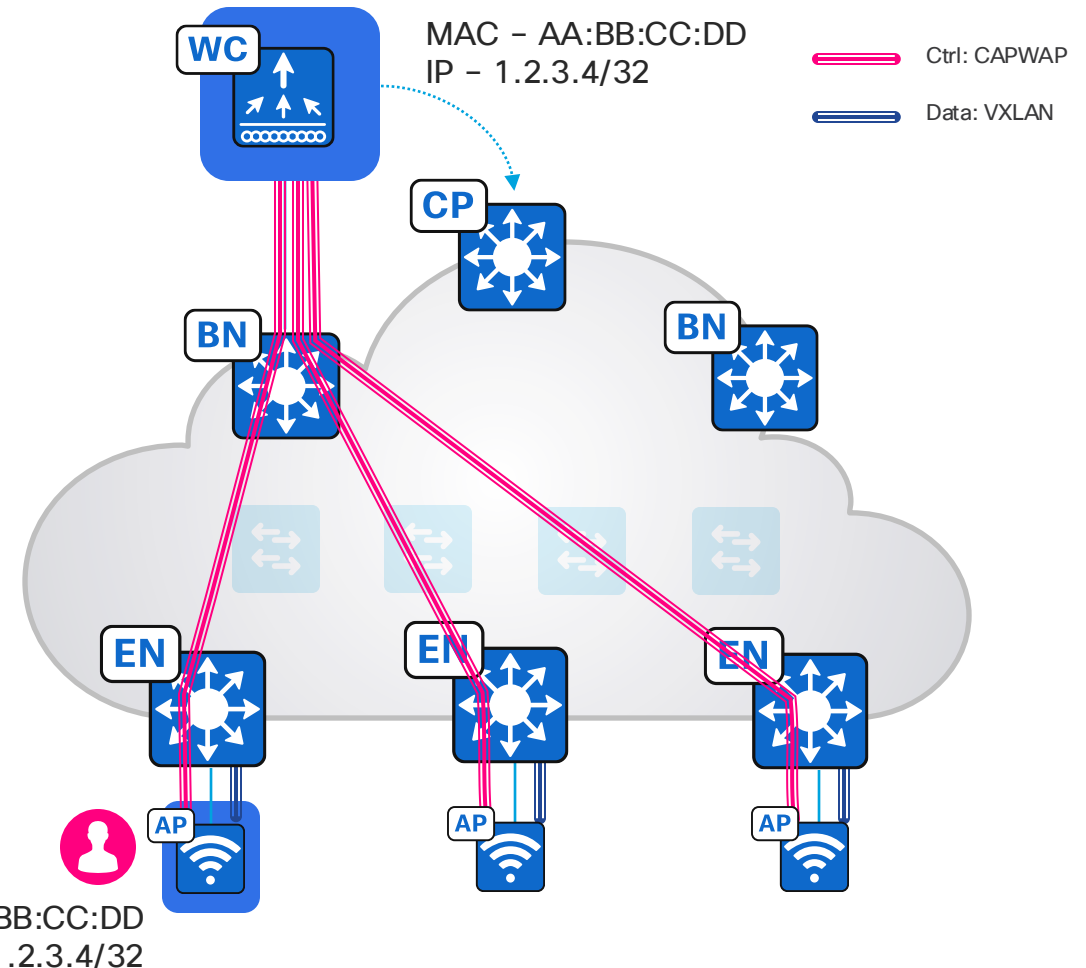
Fabric WLC accessible through a Fabric Border Node (Underlay). Can be several hops away.

Fabric Enabled APs reside in a dedicated IP range and communicate with the Fabric WLC (CAPWAP Control).

Fabric WLC registers endpoints with the Control Plane Node.

Fabric APs switch endpoint traffic to the adjacent Edge Node.

Wireless endpoints use same data plane and policy plane as wired endpoints.



# Roles and Terminology

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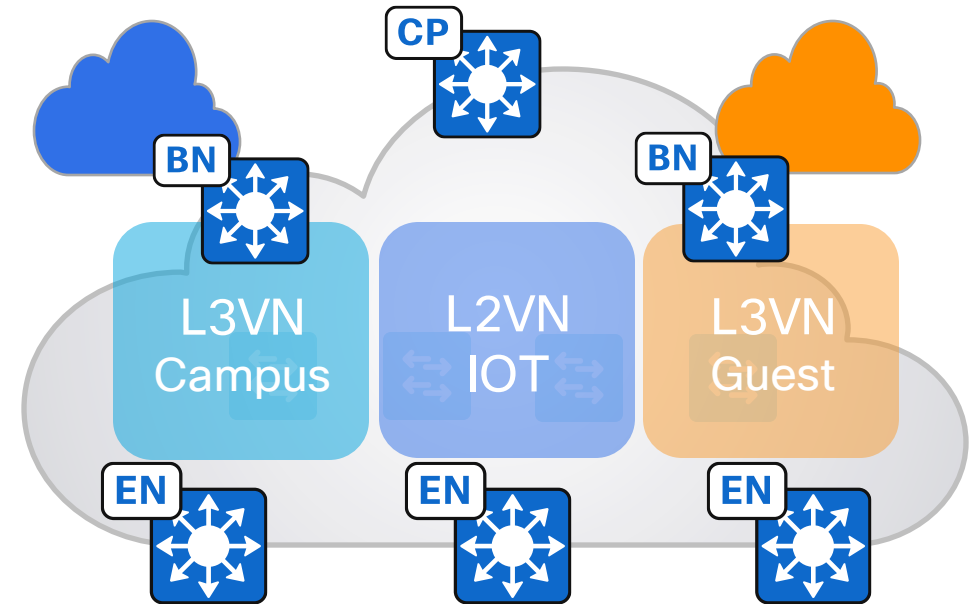
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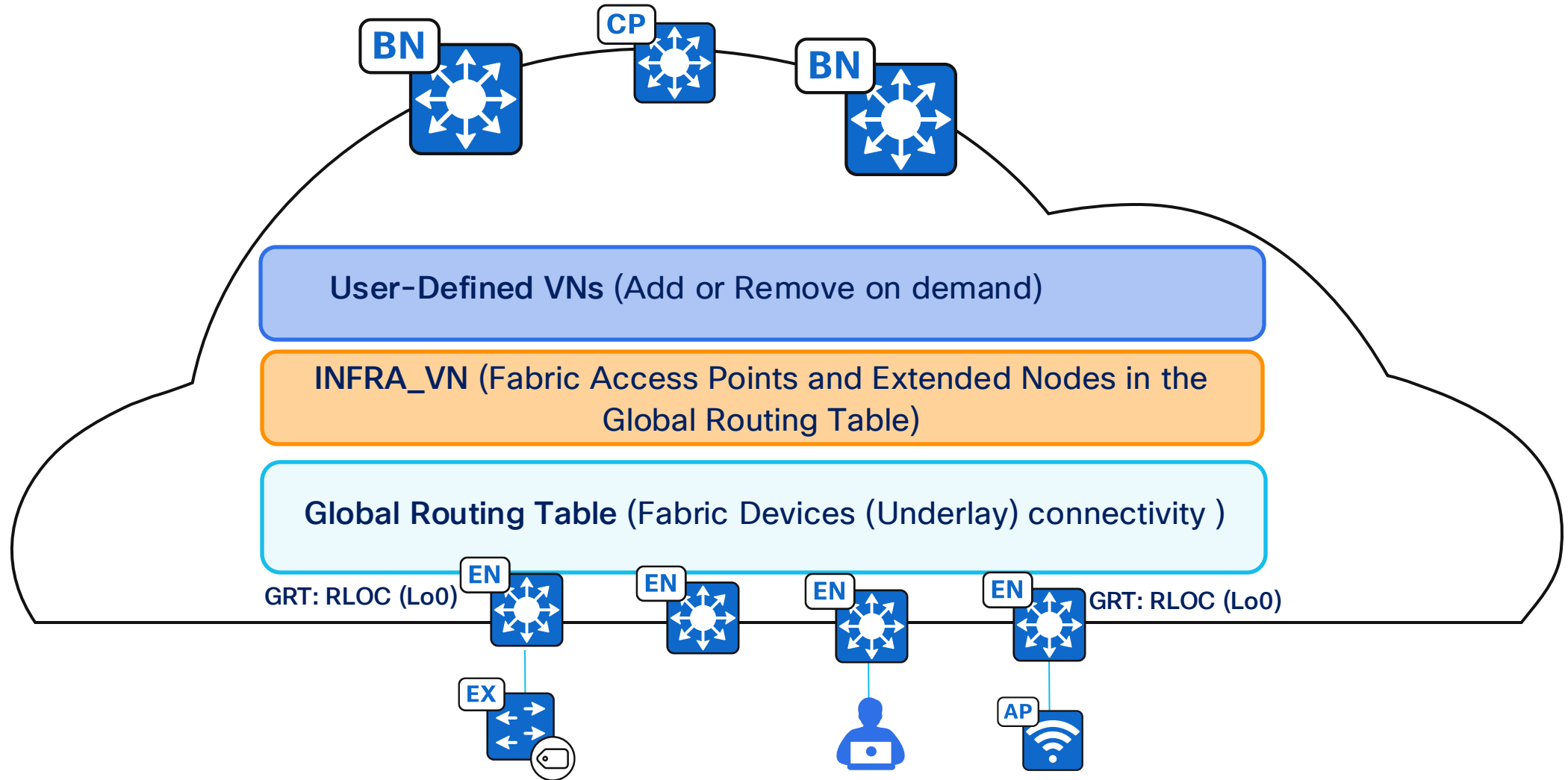
## Virtual Networks



- Layer 3 Virtual Networks use VRFs and LISP Instance IDs to maintain separate routing topologies.
  - Endpoint IDs (IPv4/IPv6 addresses) are routed within an L3VN.
- Layer 2 Virtual Networks use LISP Instance IDs and VLANs to maintain separate switching topologies.
  - Endpoint IDs (MAC addresses) are switched within an L2VN.
- Edge Nodes, Border Nodes and Fabric APs add a VNID (the LISP IID) to the fabric encapsulation.

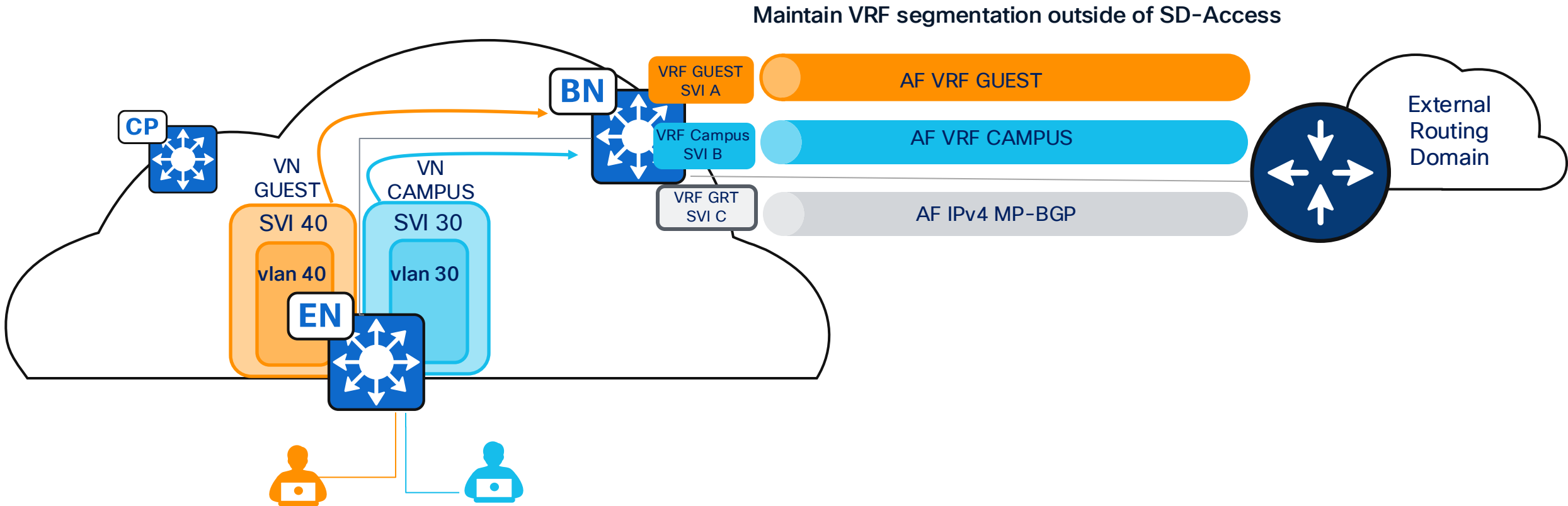


# Layer 3 Virtual Networks



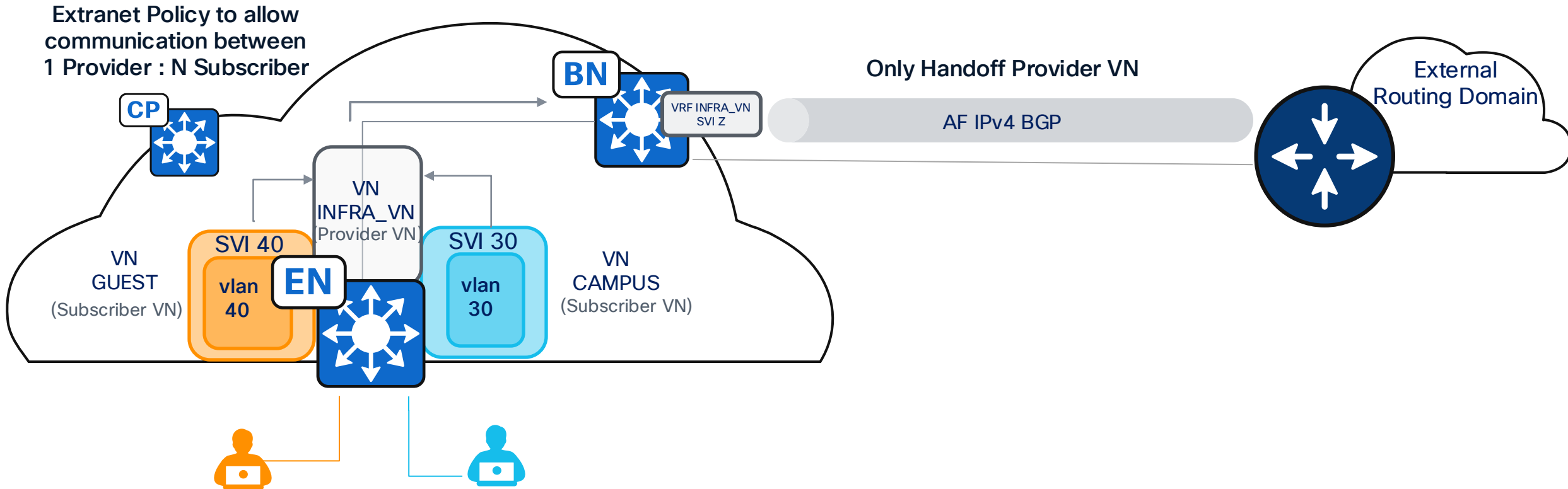
# Layer 3 Handoff

Per-Layer-3-Virtual-Network Layer 3 Handoff using Peer Device



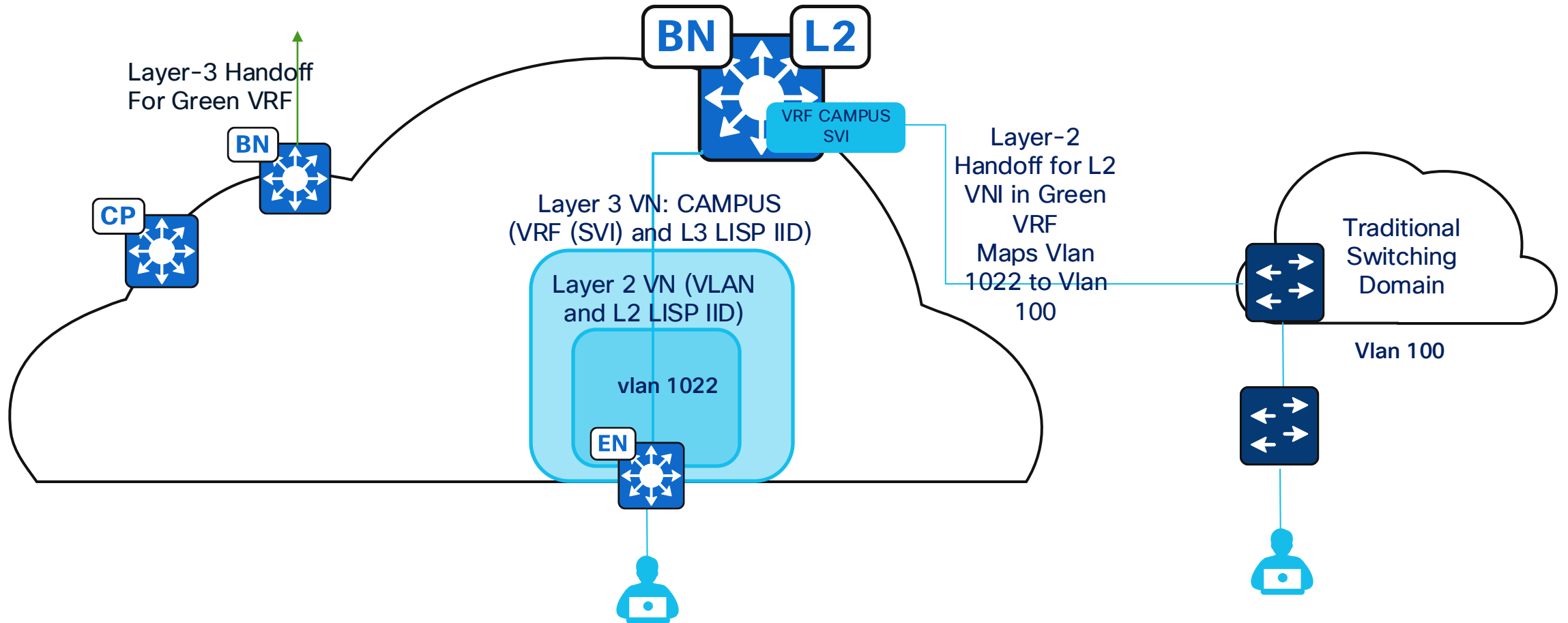
# Extranet Layer 3 Handoff

Helps achieve route-leaking natively in LISP SD-Access Fabric



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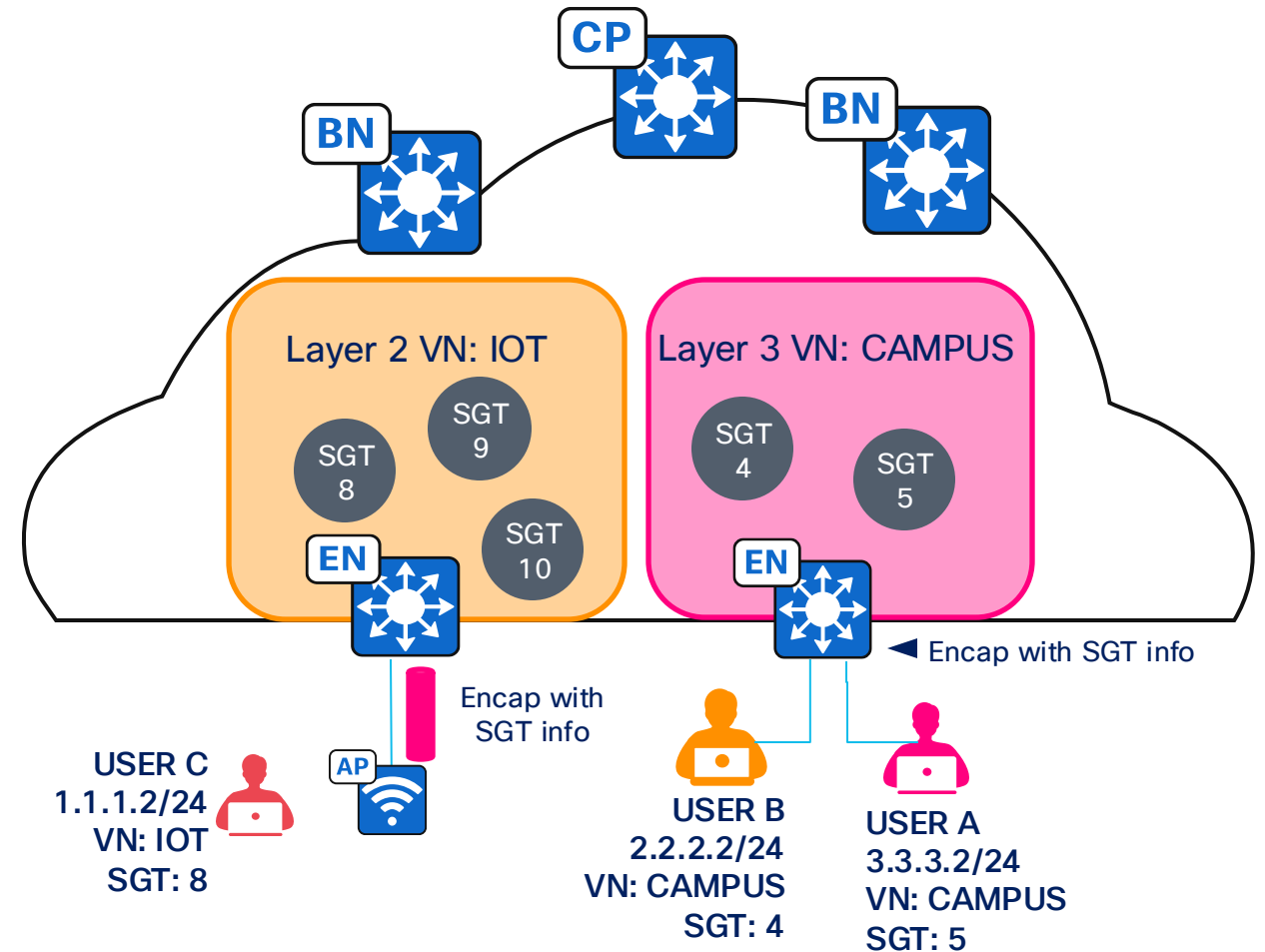
Layer 2 Virtual Networks handoff through a user-defined VLAN



# Security Group Tag

A Security Group Tag Assigns a “Group” to Each Endpoint

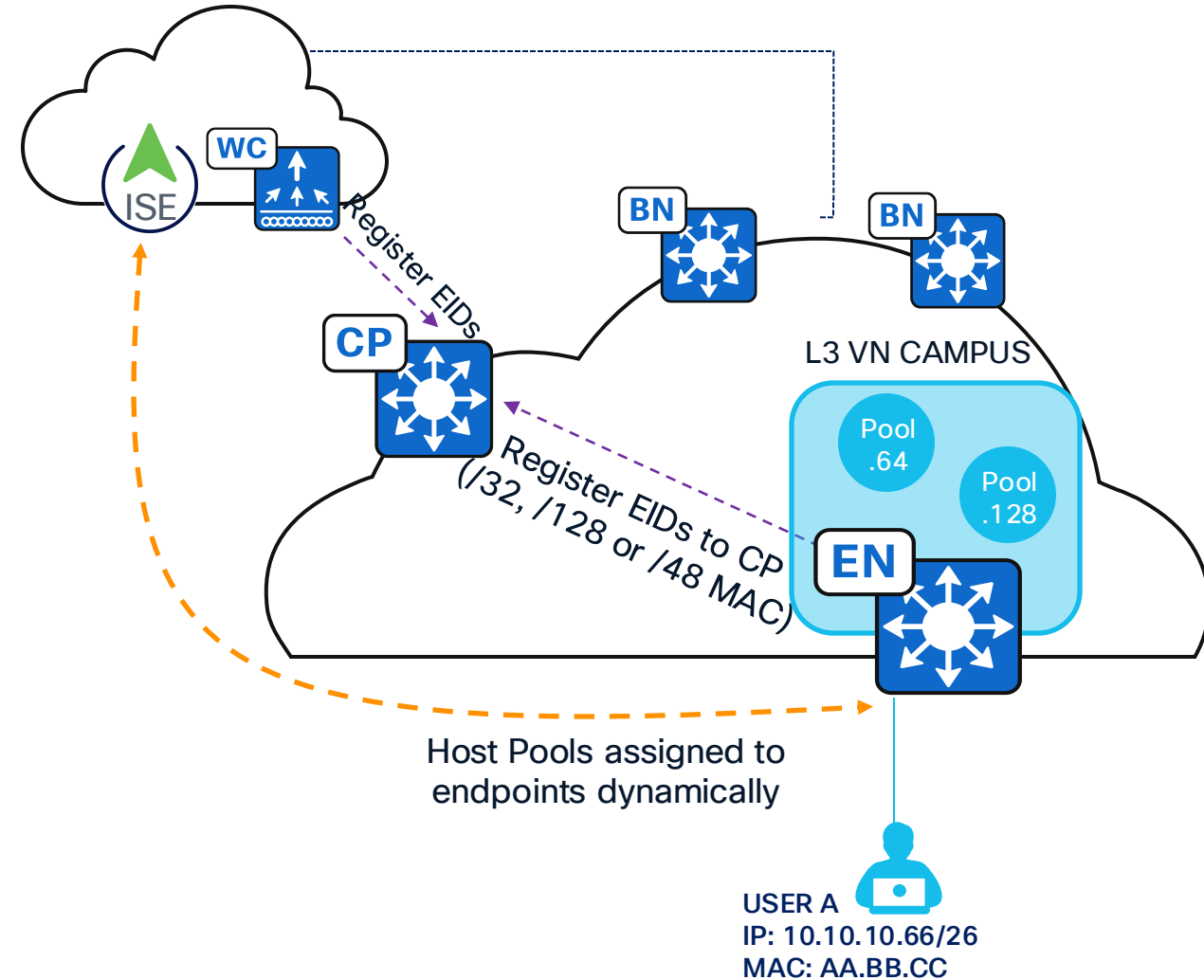
- Edge Nodes and Fabric APs assign a unique Scalable Group Tag (SGT) to each end endpoint in concert with ISE.
- Edge Nodes and Fabric APs add an SGT to the fabric encapsulation.
- SGTs are used to implement IP-address-independent access policies.
- SGTs can be extended to numerous other networking technologies e.g., Cisco Secure Firewall, Cisco SD-WAN, some third-party devices, etc.



# Cisco SD-Access Fabric

Host Pools Provide a Default Gateway and Basic IP Services for Endpoints

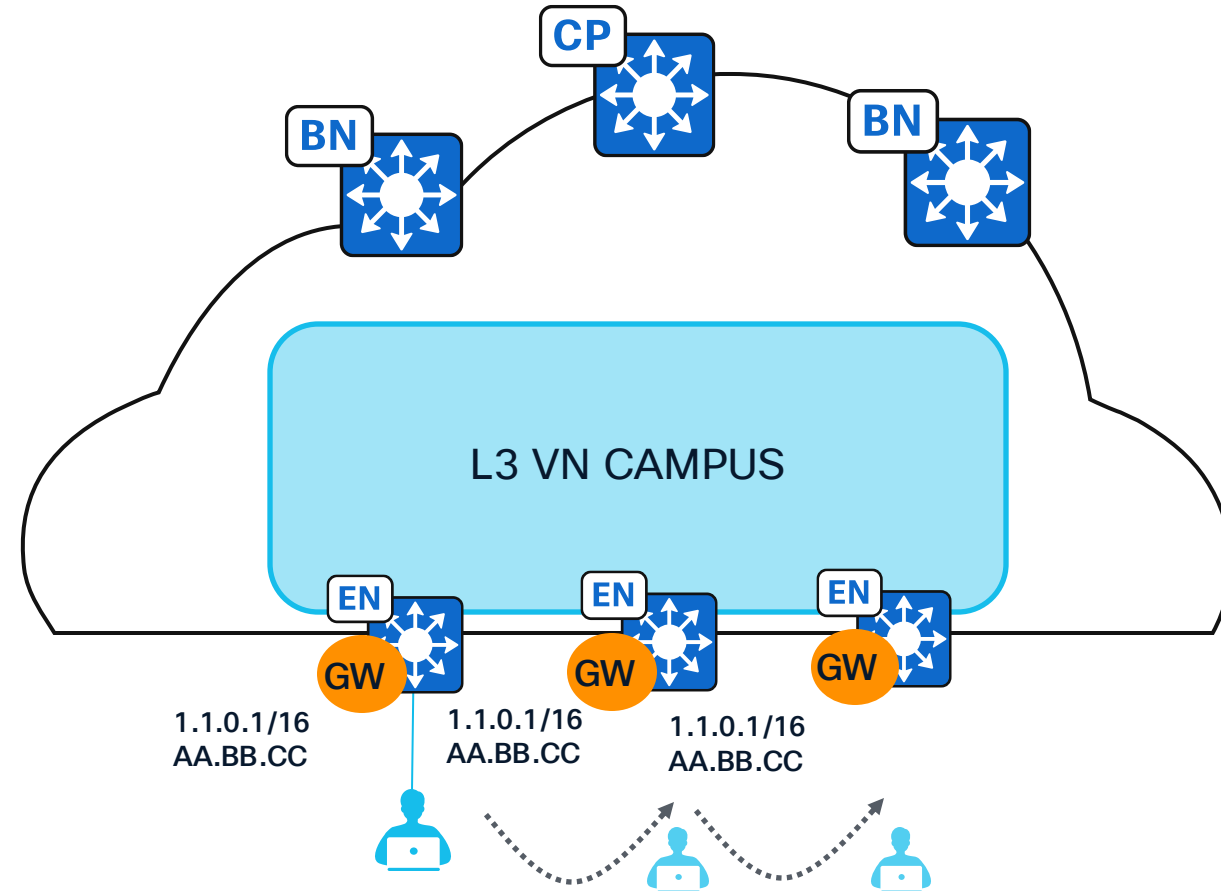
- Edge Nodes instantiate an access VLAN and a Switched Virtual Interface (SVI) with user-defined IPv4/IPv6 addresses per Host Pool.
- Host Pools assigned to endpoints dynamically by AAA or statically per port.
- Edge Nodes and Fabric WLCs register endpoint IDs (/32, /128 or MAC) with the Control Plane, enabling IP mobility; any IP address anywhere.



# Cisco SD-Access Fabric

**Anycast Gateway** Provides a Default Gateway for IP-Capable Endpoints

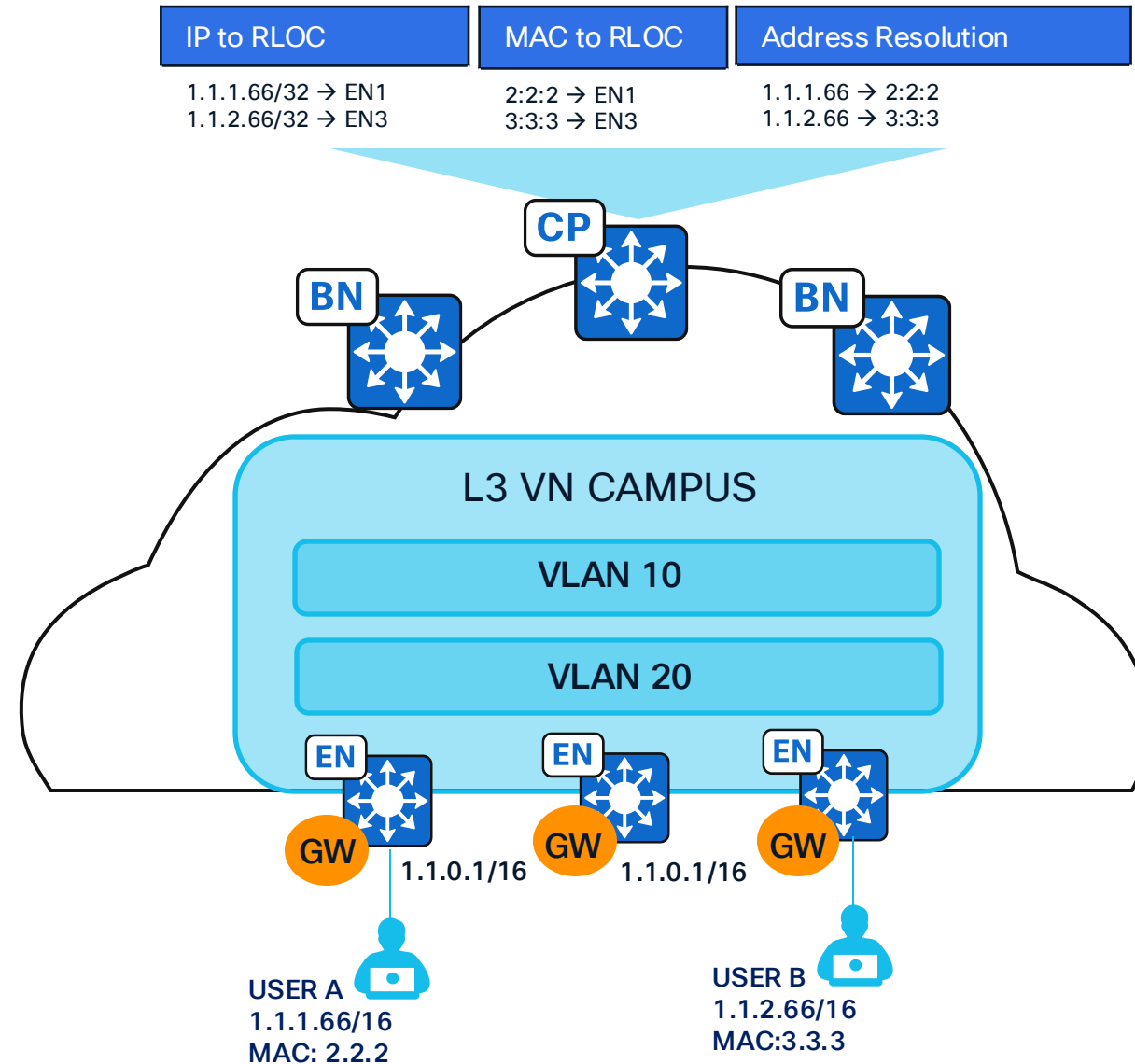
- Similar principle and behavior to FHRP with a shared virtual IPv4/IPv6 addresses and MAC address.
- The same Switch Virtual Interface (SVI) is present on all Edge Nodes with the same virtual IP and MAC.
- The wired or wireless endpoint can connect to any switch or AP in the fabric and communicate with the same Anycast Gateway.



# Cisco SD-Access Fabric

Host Pools are “stretched” via the Overlay

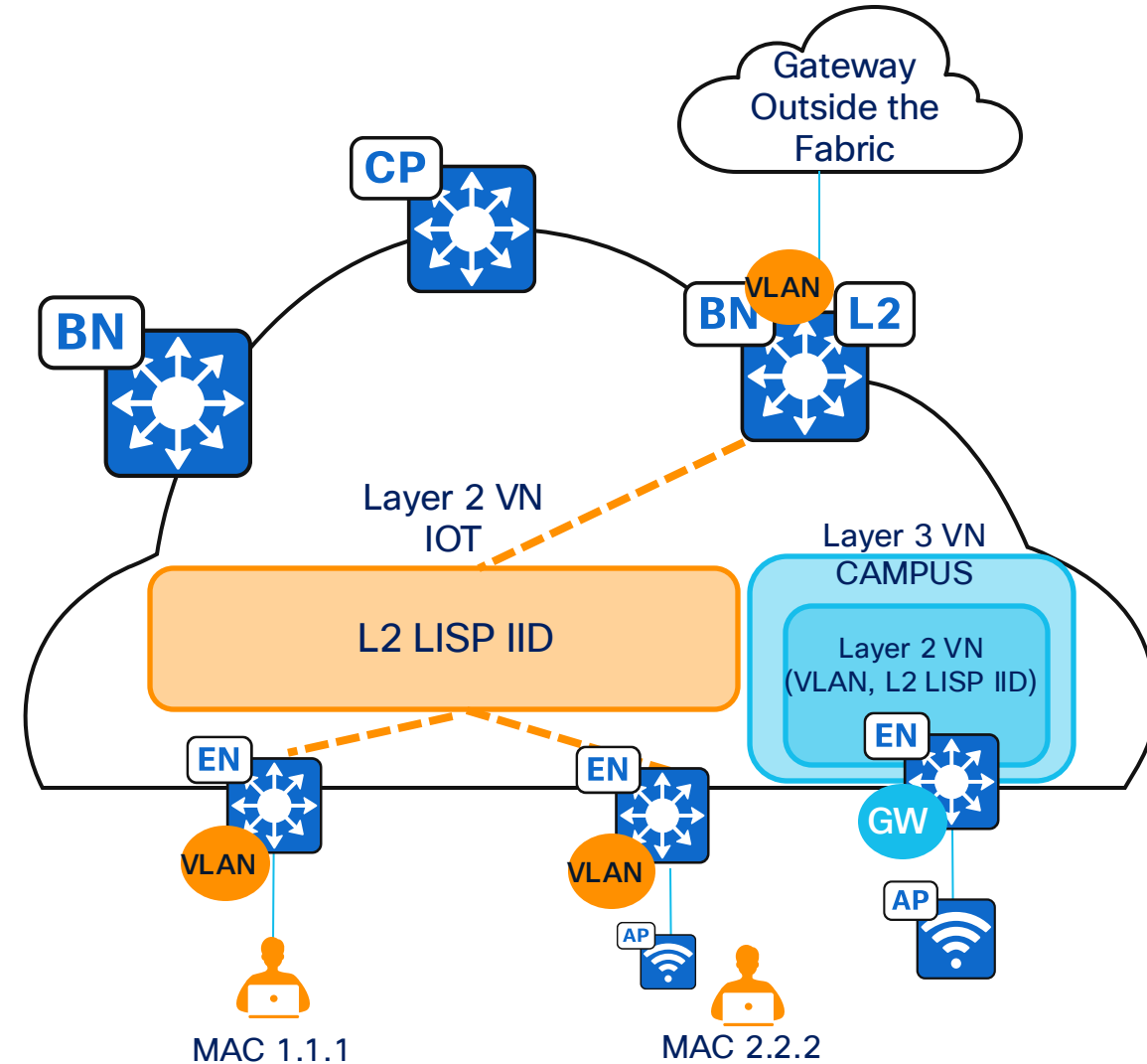
- Endpoint IPv4/IPv6 traffic arrives on an Edge Node and is then routed or switched by the Edge Node.
- Fabric Dynamic EID mapping allows endpoint-specific (/32, /128, MAC) advertisement and mobility.
- VLANs to connect endpoints across Edge Nodes, this happens in the Overlay without broadcast flooding.



# Layer 2 Virtual Networks

Fabric is just a transport for Layer-2 adjacencies

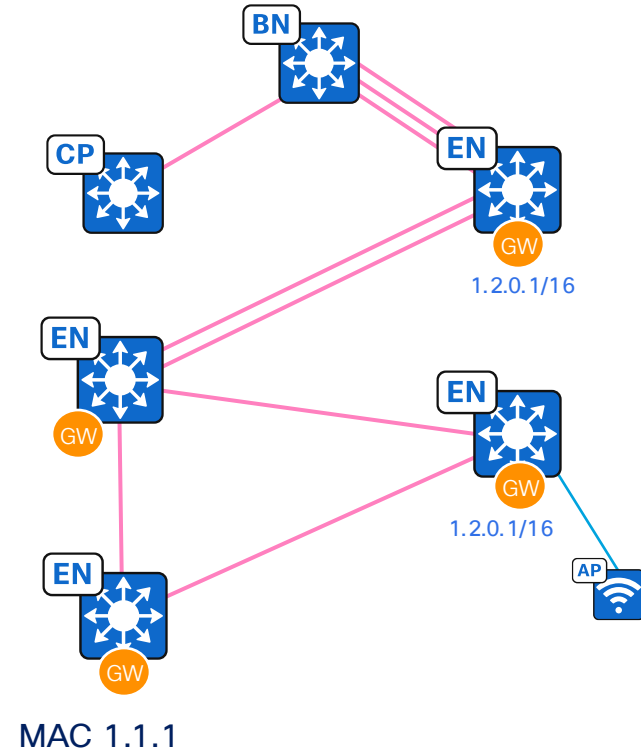
- By default, an L2VN is deployed with each Anycast Gateway and Layer 2 Flooding is disabled. Layer 2 Flooding can be enabled, if necessary, to service niche applications.
- L2VN can be deployed without an Anycast Gateway, and Layer 2 Flooding cannot be disabled.
- Sometimes referred to as “Gateway Outside the Fabric”.
- If Layer 2 Flooding is enabled, a Multicast Underlay P2MP tunnel needs to be configured between all Fabric Nodes.



# Cisco SD-Access Fabric

Accommodates any Physical Network Topology

- Overlays are agnostic to underlay physical topology.
- Any wired or wireless endpoint address anywhere, including environments with unusual cabling implementations.
- Routed underlay IGP takes care of load balancing and fast link/node fault convergence. Obsoletes mechanisms like L2 Trunking and STP.





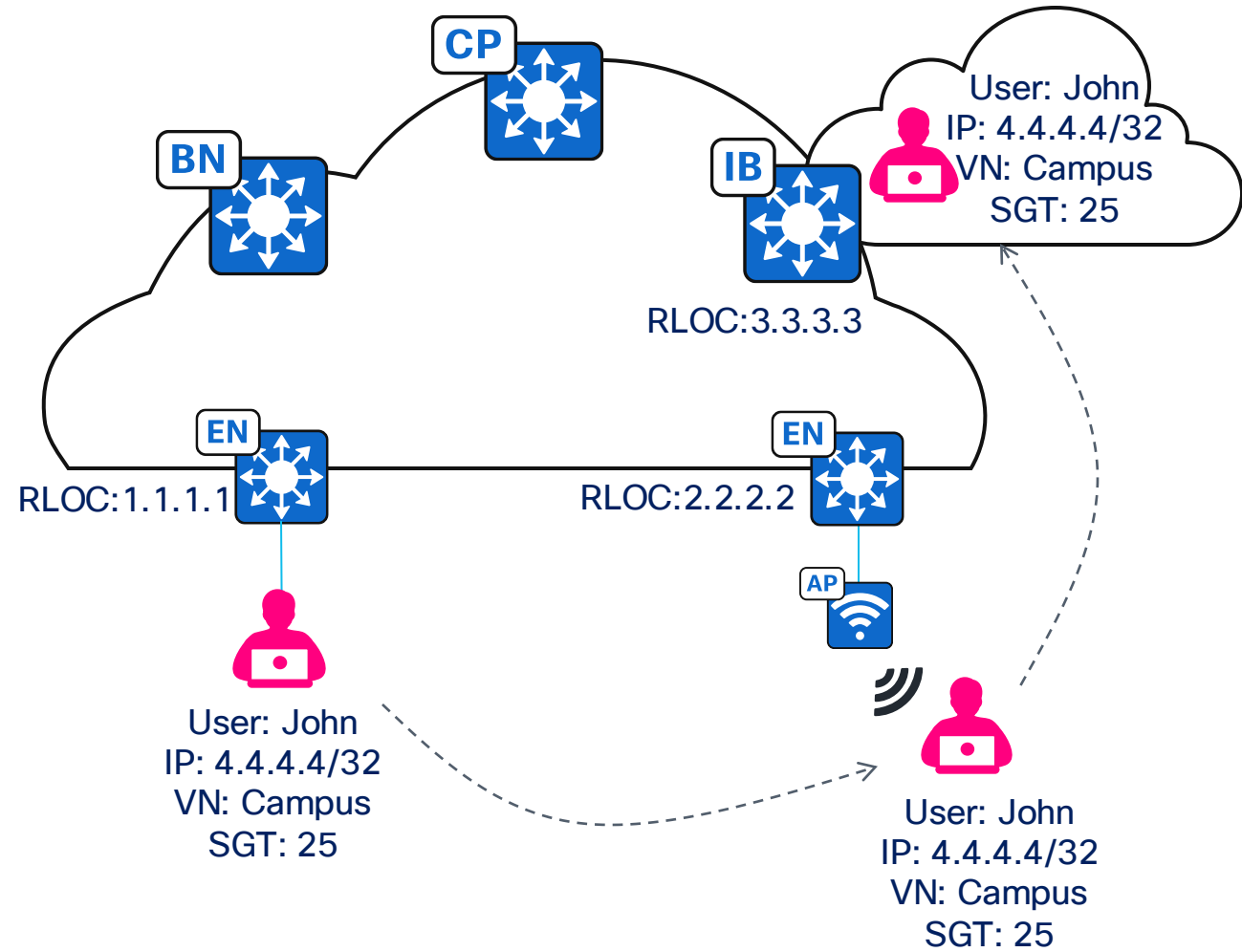
# Fabric Fundamentals

## Control Plane

# Cisco SD-Access Fabric

Control Plane: Locator/ID Separation Protocol (LISP)

*Where* you are in a network can change, but *who* you are in the network remains the same.



(IETF Standards Track RFC9300–RFC9306 and Informational RFC9299)

# LISP Operations

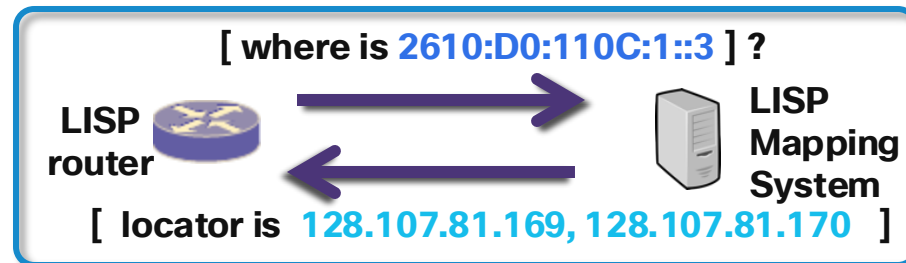
LISP :: Mapping Resolution “Level of Indirection”

- LISP “Level of Indirection” is analogous to a DNS lookup
  - DNS resolves IP addresses for URL Answering the “WHO IS” question



DNS  
Name-to-IP  
URL Resolution

- LISP resolves locators for queried identities Answering the “WHERE IS” question



LISP  
Identity-to-locator  
Mapping Resolution

# Fundamental Design Principle in LISP

A key basic design objective:  
Distribute routing/mapping information **only**  
**where it is required**

A basic working principle:  
*Use traffic signals to **pull** routes **when***  
**required**

# LISP in Cisco SD-Access

## Configure Control Plane

Select route distribution protocol:

### LISP/BGP



LISP/BGP uses concurrent LISP and BGP protocols to distribute reachability information. LISP/BGP is the traditional SD-Access control plane architecture and is retained for backwards compatibility. LISP Pub/Sub is recommended for new network implementations.

### LISP Pub/Sub



LISP Pub/Sub (Publish/Subscribe) accelerates network convergence, simplifies network operations, and provides the foundation for new SD-Access use cases. LISP Pub/Sub requires all Border Nodes, Control Plane Nodes and Edge Nodes to be running IOS XE 17.6.x or later.

## LISP/BGP

- Released circa 2017.
- Reliable and stable.
- BGP transport.

## LISP Pub/Sub

- Released in 2022 with Cisco DNA Center\* 2.2.3.x.
- Reliable and stable.
- Native LISP transport.
- Less Control Plane load.
- Faster convergence.
- Highly extensible.

\*Rebranded to Catalyst Center in late 2023

# LISP Control Plane

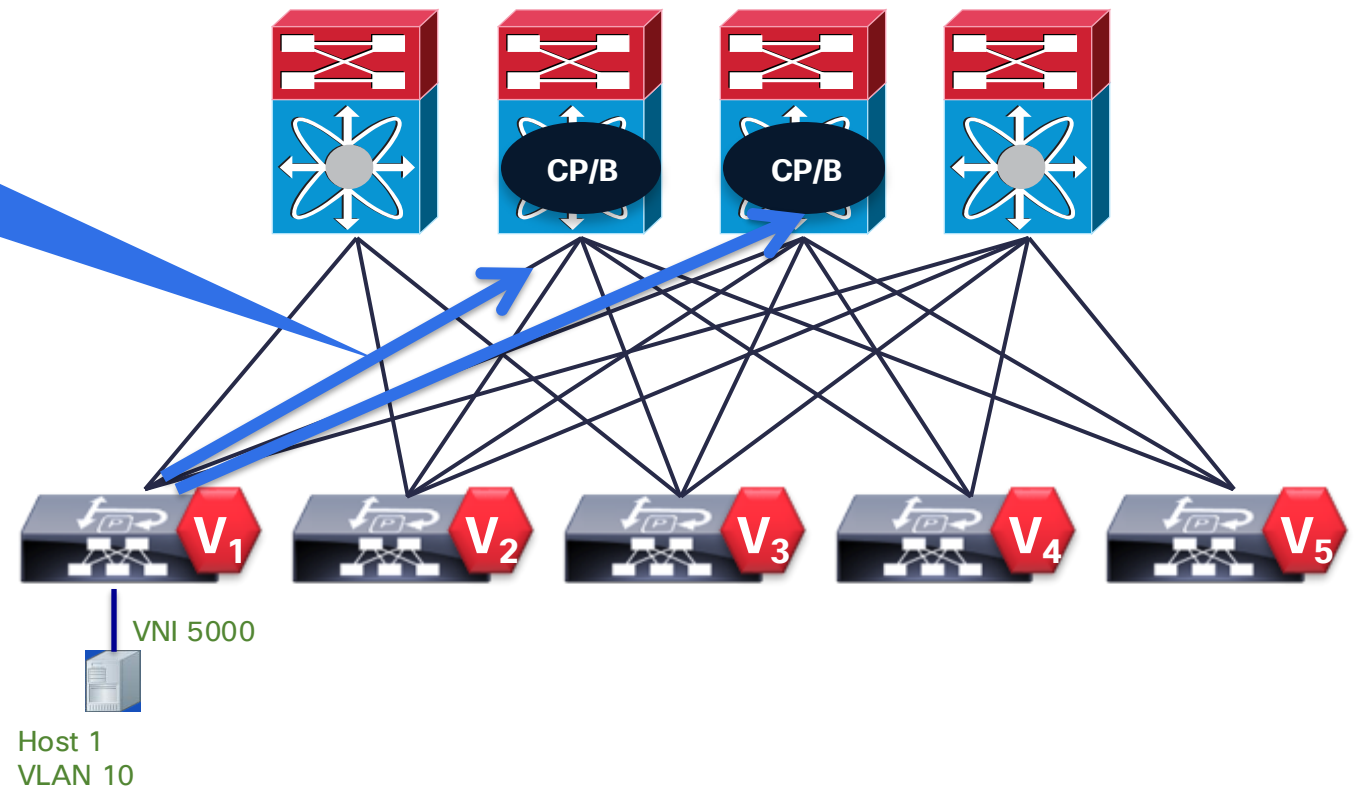
## Host Registration

Endpoint ID (EID)		RLOC (Routing Locator)
IP	VNI	Next-Hop
1	5000	IP V1

Map Register  
EID = IP1, VNI 5000  
RLOC = xTR IP V1

**V<sub>1</sub>** LISP Tunnel Router (xTR) & VTEP\*  
**CP/B** CP + Border

\* VTEP = VXLAN Tunnel End-Point



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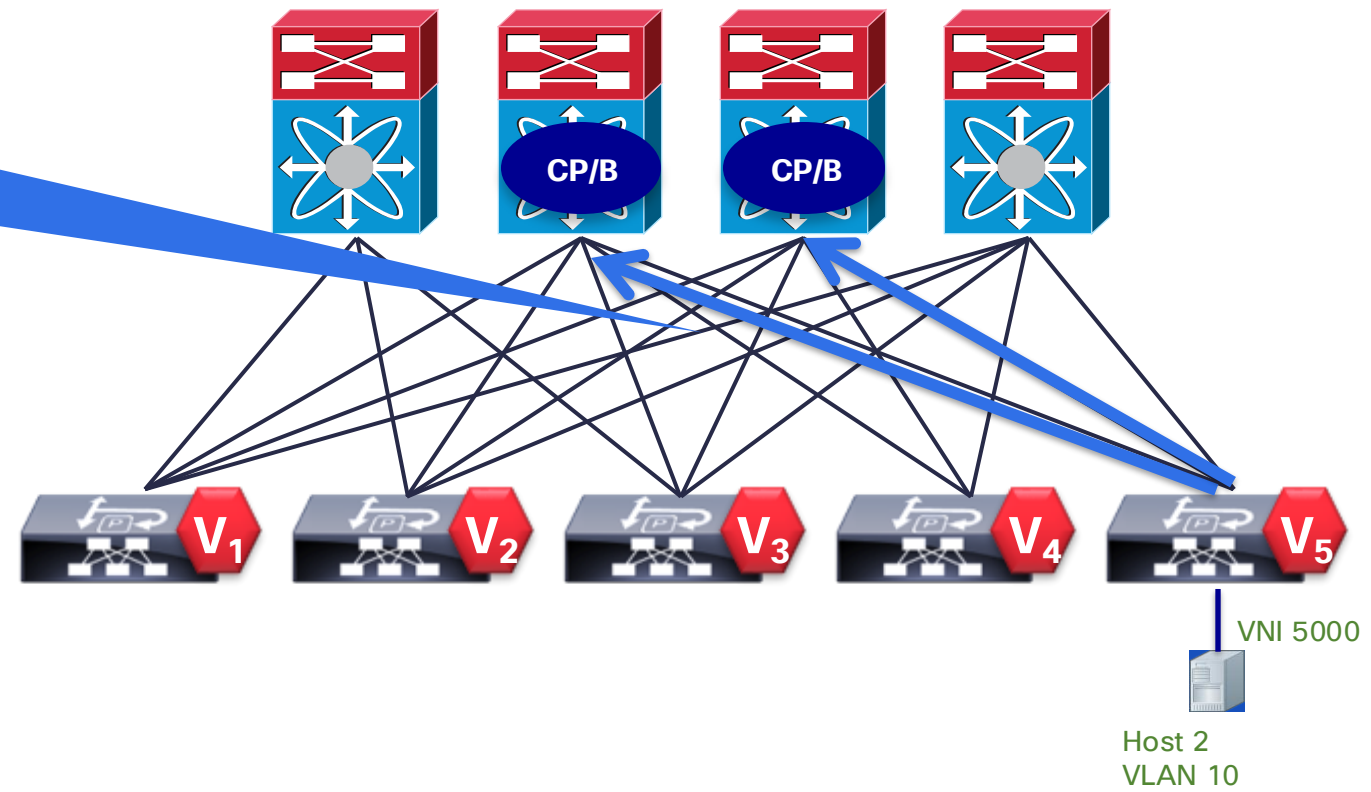
## Host Registration

Endpoint ID (EID)		RLOC (Routing Locator)
IP	VNI	Next-Hop
2	5000	IP V5

Map Register  
EID = IP2, VNI 5000  
RLOC = xTR IP V5

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**CP/B** CP + Border

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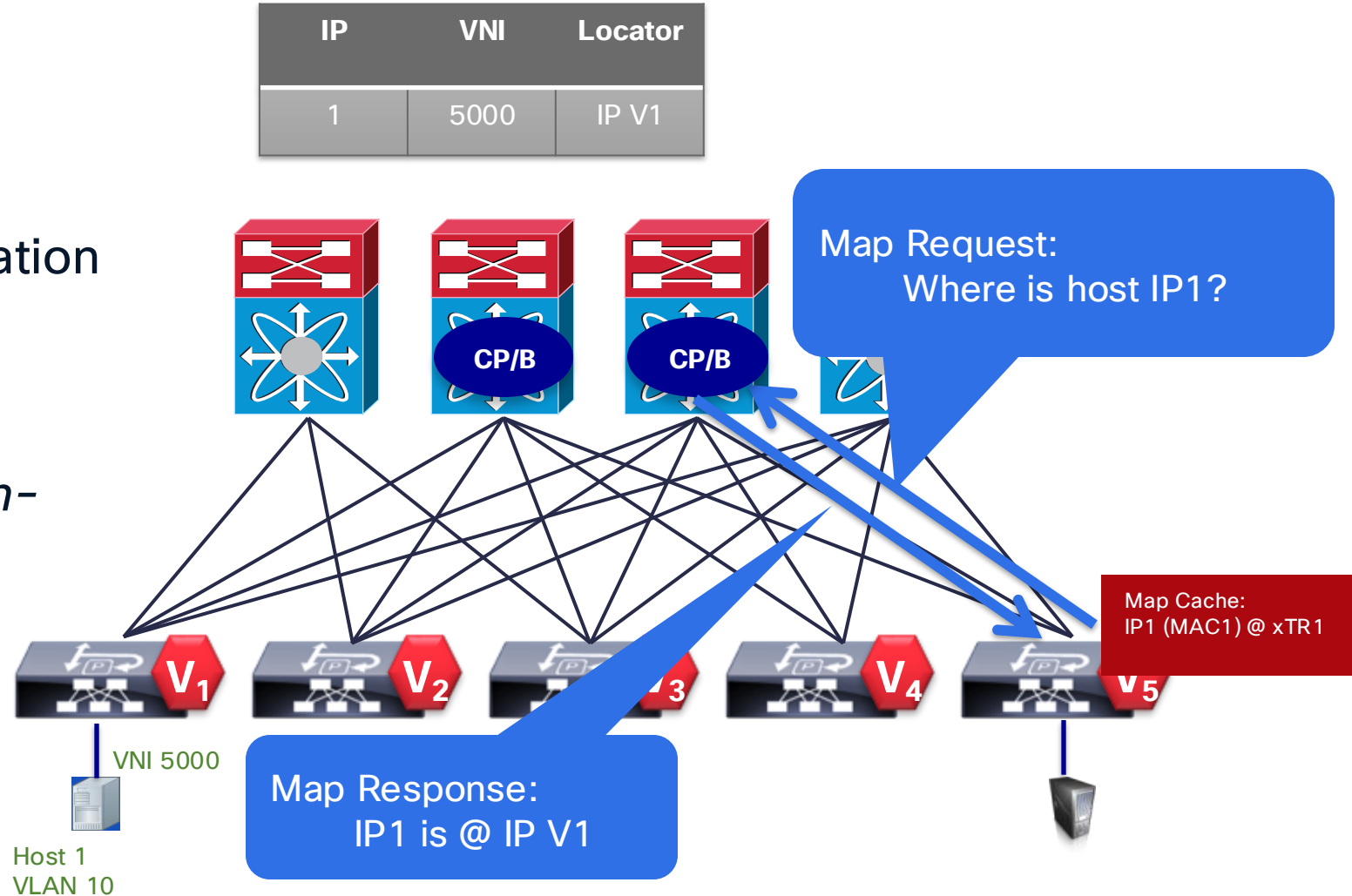
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# LISP Control Plane

## Host Resolution

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A key basic working principle:  
*Use traffic signals to **pull** routes on-demand*



1. Host 2 wants to talk to host 1, the xTR (V5) issues a map-request
2. The Mapping System responds
3. The response is cached at the requesting xTR (V5): LISP map-cache

# Advantages of using LISP as Overlay Control Plane

- Network simplicity all the way down to the access and in fabric operations
- Network that uses resources (like TCAM, CPU, Memory) efficiently
- Flexibility in scale of network design not compromised by protocol limitations
- Improve the wireless throughput and roaming performance at large scale with a fast-converging network with the Wireless Integration with LISP
- Wired/Wireless consistency in configuration, policies, and troubleshooting
- Smart, efficient, fast-converging, reliable, scalable network that is extensible
- Interoperability with 3<sup>rd</sup> party as well as Cisco
- Standards-based network

# Advantages of using LISP as Overlay Control Plane

Features	LISP
Standards-based	Yes
Resource usage	Very light
Protocol working	Simple
Built for	Overlays
<b>Signaling</b>	<b>Scoped (Pull-on-demand, Push where you need)</b>
<b>Silent Host Wake-Up Support</b>	<b>No flood, Efficient</b>
Path calculation algorithms	Not needed
<b>Convergence</b>	<b>Fast</b>
<b>Wireless Integration</b>	<b>Yes</b>
Extensibility	Fast
<b>Scale</b>	<b>Massive and Flexible</b>
<b>Most useful for</b>	<b>Overlay (Indexing exercise)</b>

# Cisco SD-Access Fabric

Control Plane: Locator/ID Separation Protocol (LISP)

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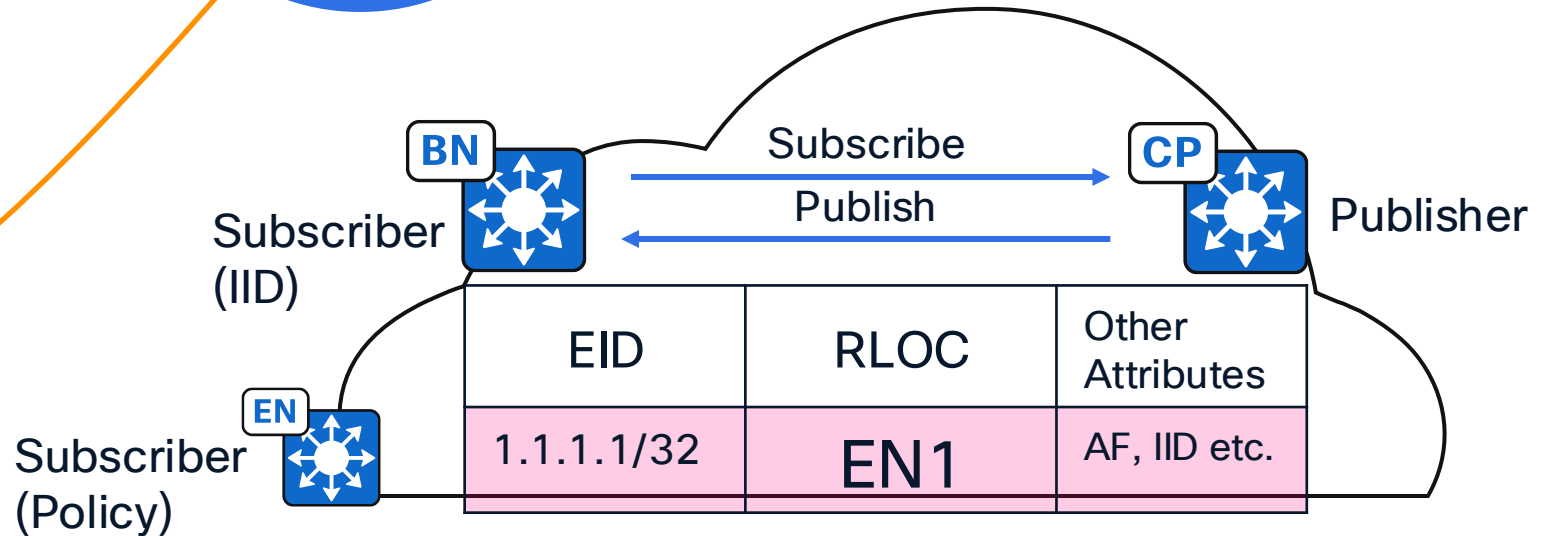
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# Fabric Fundamentals

## Data Plane

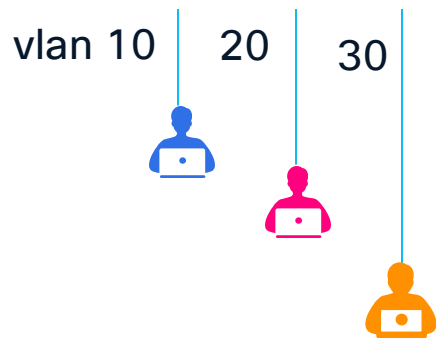
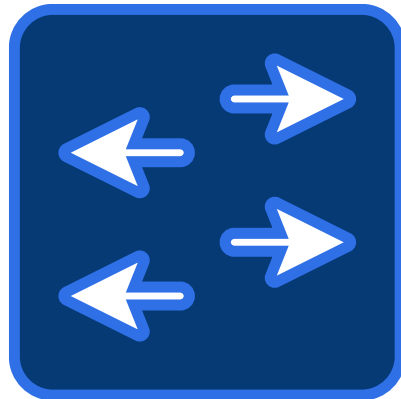
# Cisco SD-Access Fabric LISP Data Plane

Virtual Extensible Local Area Network (VXLAN)



Additional Information

## Traditional Layer 2 Networks Challenges



### Spanning Tree Protocol

- Single active path
- Under-utilization
- Broadcast storms

### No ECMP

- No load-balancing
- Suboptimal traffic flow

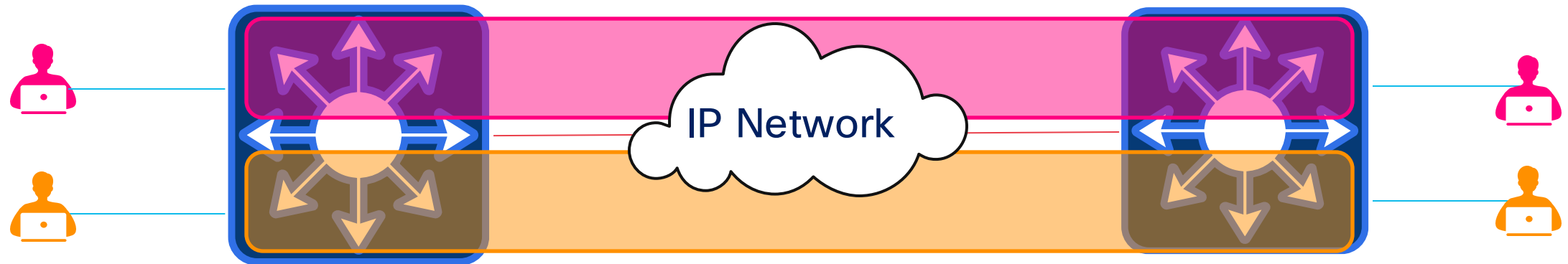
### Mobility & Multitenancy

- Restricted to L2 domain
- Geographical limitation
- 12-bit VLAN ID = 4000 VLANs

# Cisco SD-Access Fabric LISP Data Plane

Virtual Extensible Local Area Network (VXLAN)

VXLAN extends Layer 2 and Layer 3 overlay networks over a Layer 3 underlay network

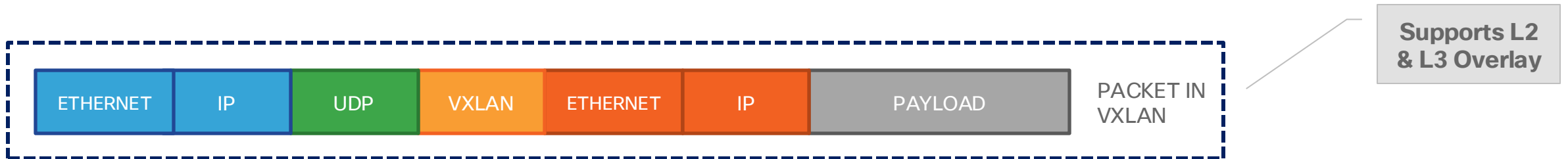


- ✓ Scalability: 16 million unique identifiers.
- ✓ Runs on top of L3, avoids need for STP.
- ✓ L2 traffic tunnelled over an L3 infrastructure.
- ✓ Handles broadcast, multicast, and unknown unicast traffic using multicast instead of flooding.
- ✓ Carries segmentation information.

# Cisco SD-Access Fabric LISP Data Plane

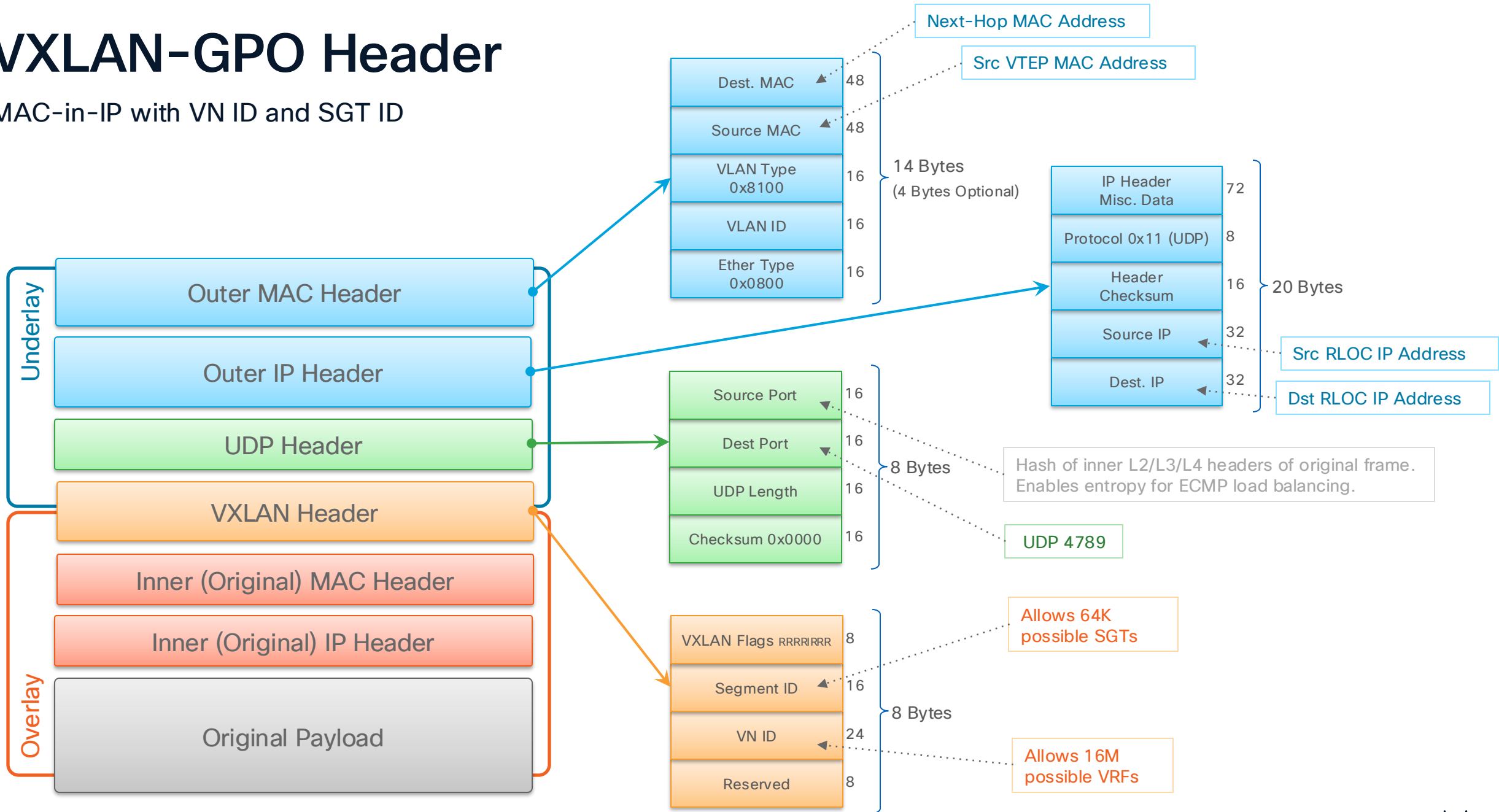
## VXLAN Packet Format

1. **Control Plane: LISP**
2. **Data Plane: VXLAN**



# VXLAN-GPO Header

MAC-in-IP with VN ID and SGT ID





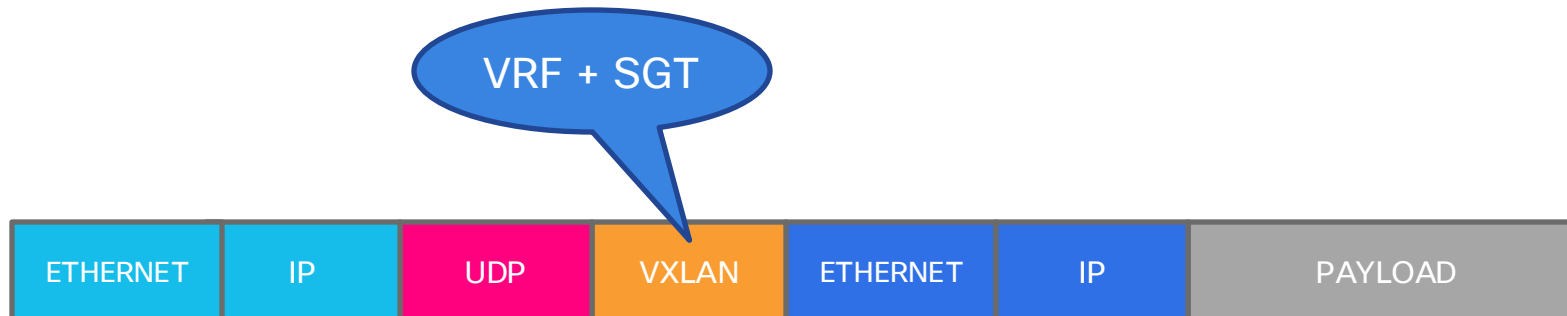
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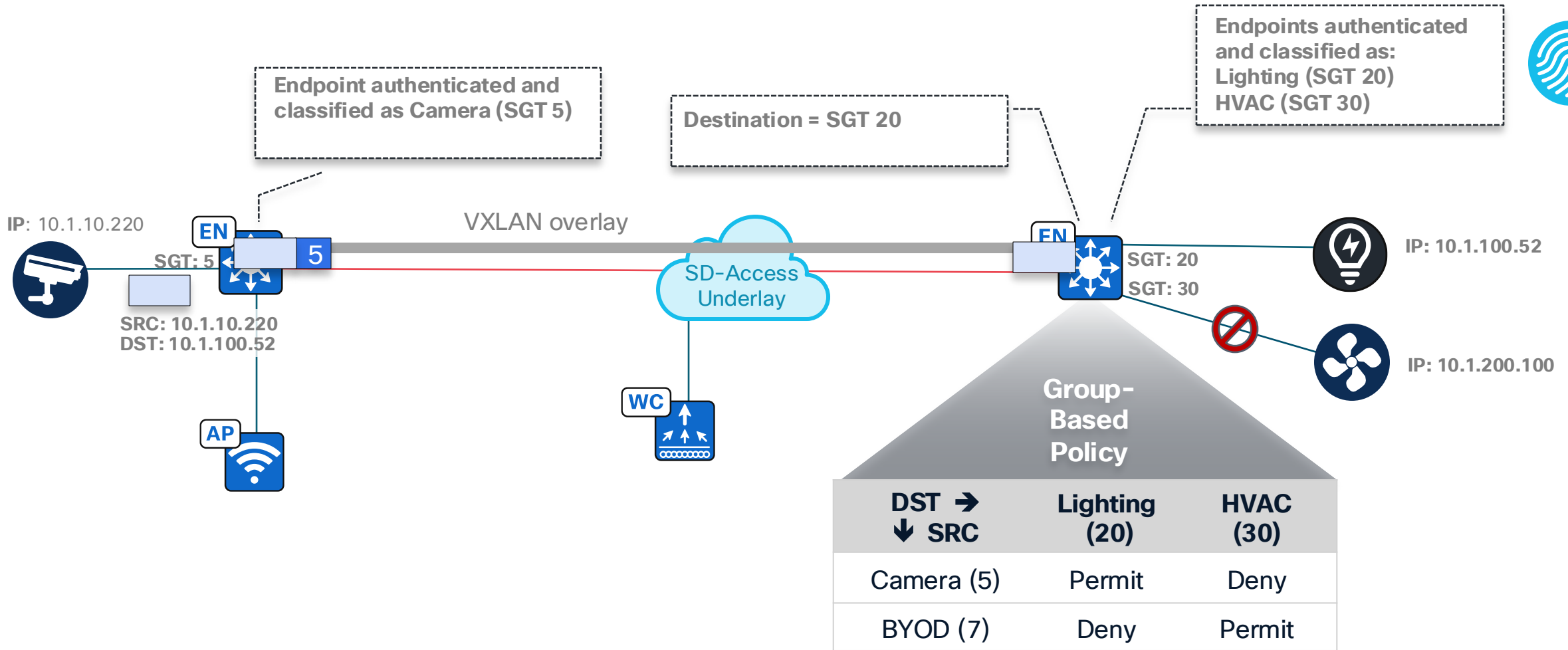
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2. **Data Plane: VXLAN**
3. **Policy Plane: Group-Based Policy**

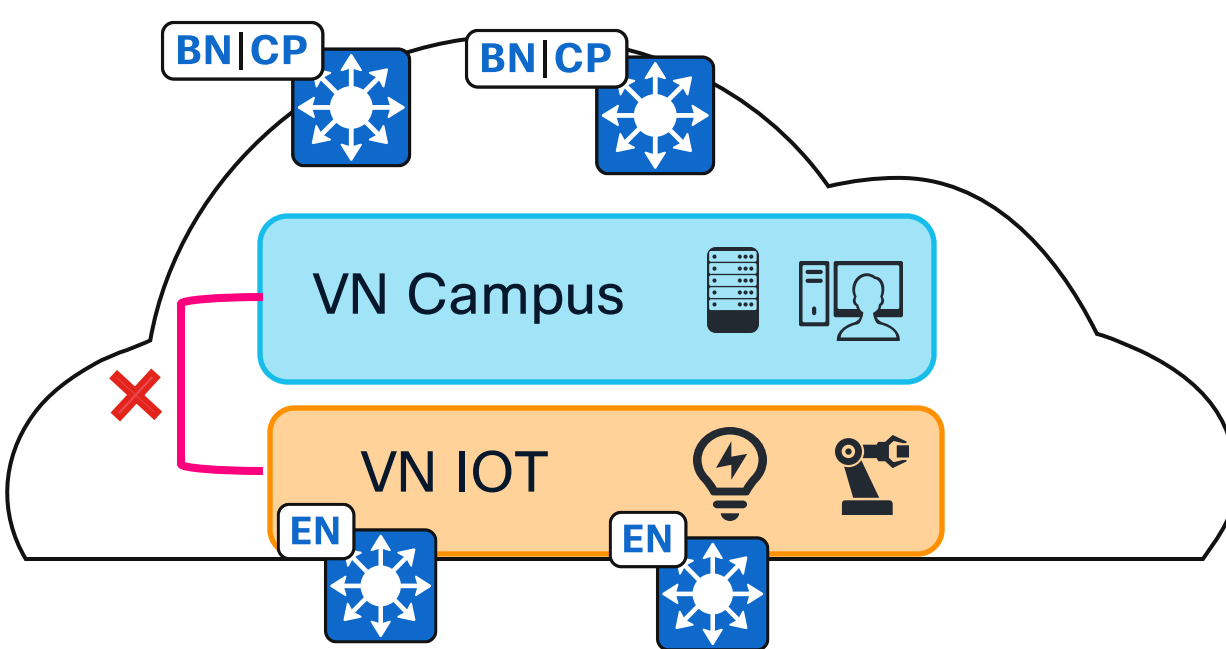


# What is Security Group Tag and Group-Based Policy?



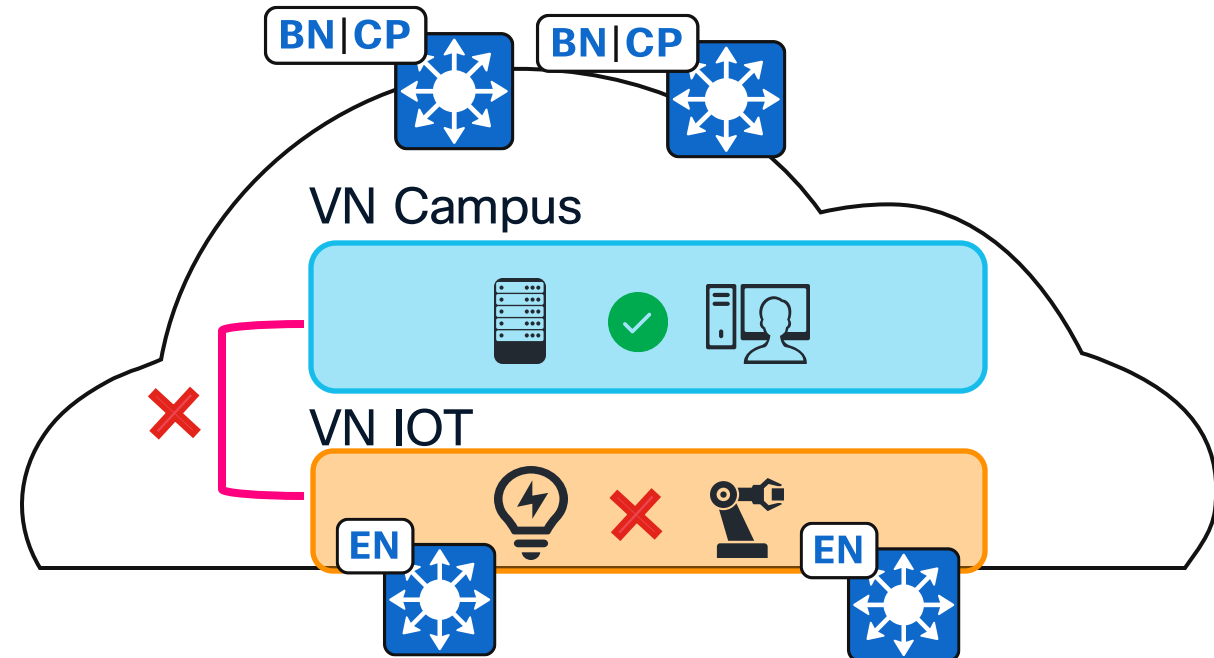
# SD-Access Policy

Macro-Segmentation and Micro-segmentation



## Virtual Network (VN)

First-level segmentation ensures **zero communication** between forwarding domains. Ability to consolidate multiple networks into one management plane.

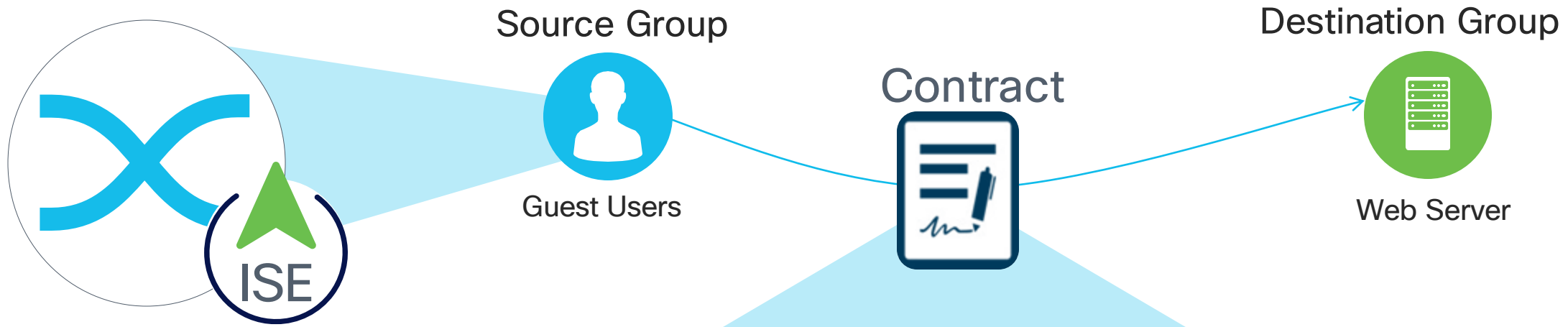


## Security Group Tag (SGT)

Second-level segmentation ensures role-based access control between groups in a VN. Ability to segment the network into lines of business or functional blocks.

# SD-Access Policy

Access Control Policies



Cisco Catalyst Center

CLASSIFIER: PORT	ACTION: DENY
Classifier Type	Action Type
Port Number	Permit
Protocol Name	Deny
Application Type	Copy

Create and edit access contracts without knowing syntax for underlying SGACLs.

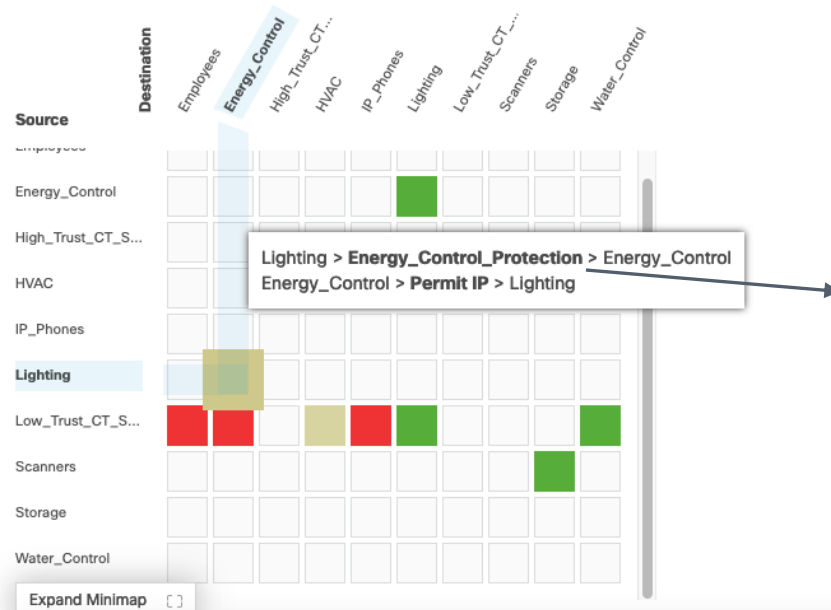
# SD-Access Policy

## Group-Based Access Control Policy

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Permit  Deny  Custom  Default



1. Select **Source Group(s)**
2. Select **Destination Group(s)**
3. Select **Access Contract(s)**

### Access Contract

Name: Energy\_Control\_Protection

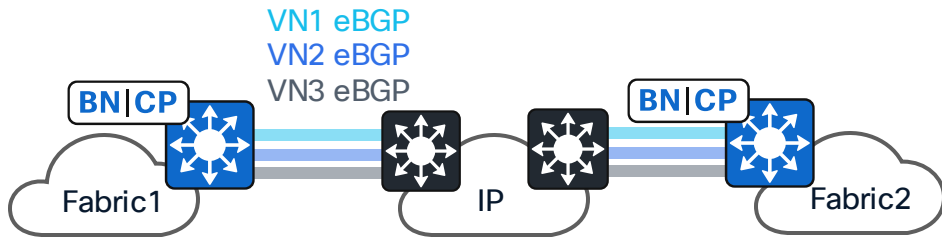
#### CONTRACT CONTENT (1)

#	Action	Application	Transport Protocol	Source / Destination	Port	Logging
1	Permit	https	TCP/UDP	Destination	443/443	OFF

Default Action: Permit | Logging: OFF

# Multiple Fabric Sites

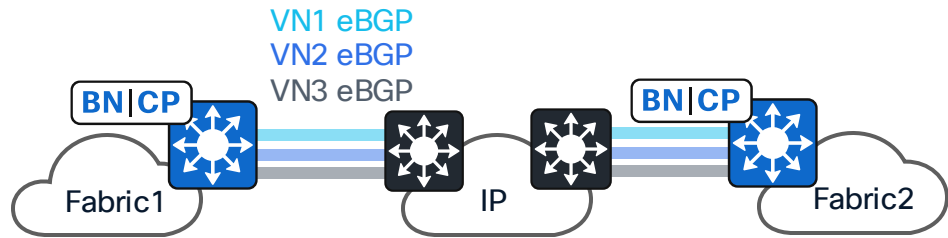
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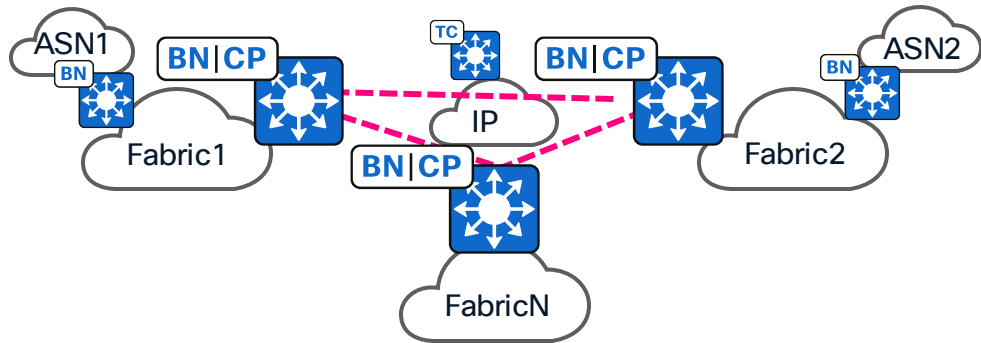



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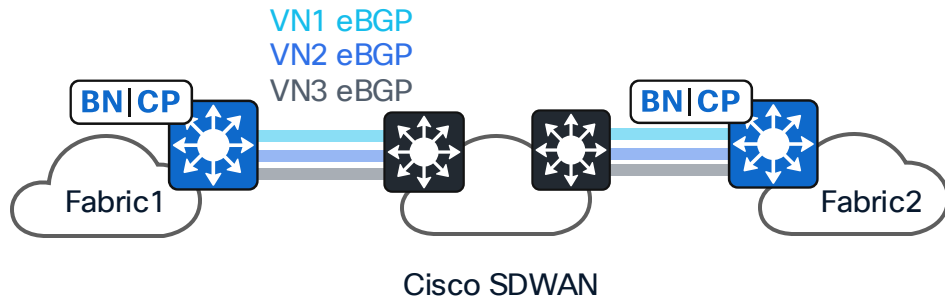
## SD-Access Transit

- Automated from Cisco Catalyst Center
- Used only for inter-fabric-site traffic
- Uses VXLAN data plane between Fabric Sites.
- Preserves Layer 3 Virtual Networks and SGT.
- Fabric as a transit between external routing domains.



 Watch BRKENS-2816 for SD-Access Transit deep dive

# Transits for VN and SGT Preservation



## SD-WAN Transit

- Cisco / Meraki SD-WAN between Fabric Sites.
- Capable of preserving Layer 3 Virtual Networks and SGT's
- Dedicated SD-WAN Edge for design flexibility, Border Node port densities and port speeds

# Conclusion



**Cisco's SD-Access LISP provides a secure, flexible, and automated way to meet the security and operational challenges faced by an everchanging environment.**

# Cisco SD-Access Collaterals



## Cisco Software-Defined Access for Industry Verticals



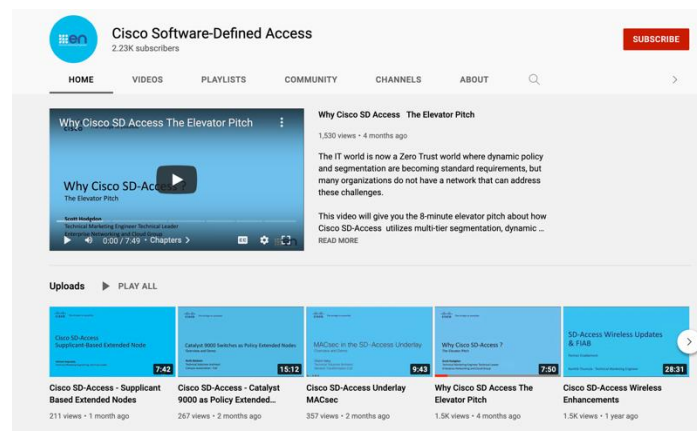
## Cisco Software-Defined Access Enabling intent-based networking



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