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Next-Gen SD-WAN (Viptela)

Design, Deployment and Best Practices

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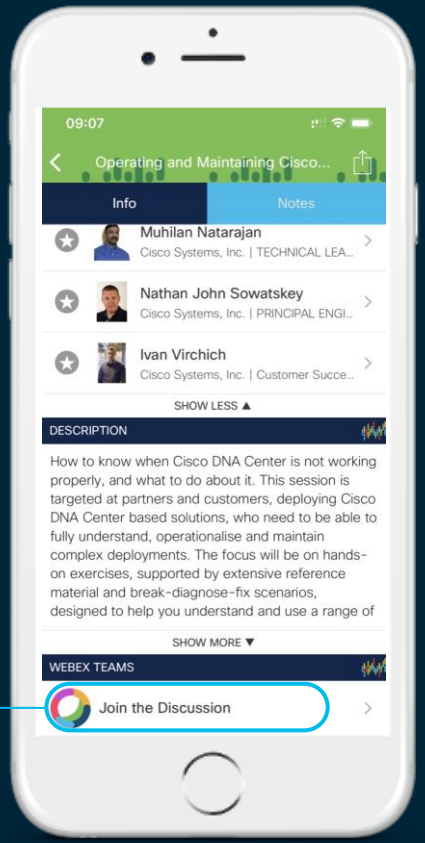


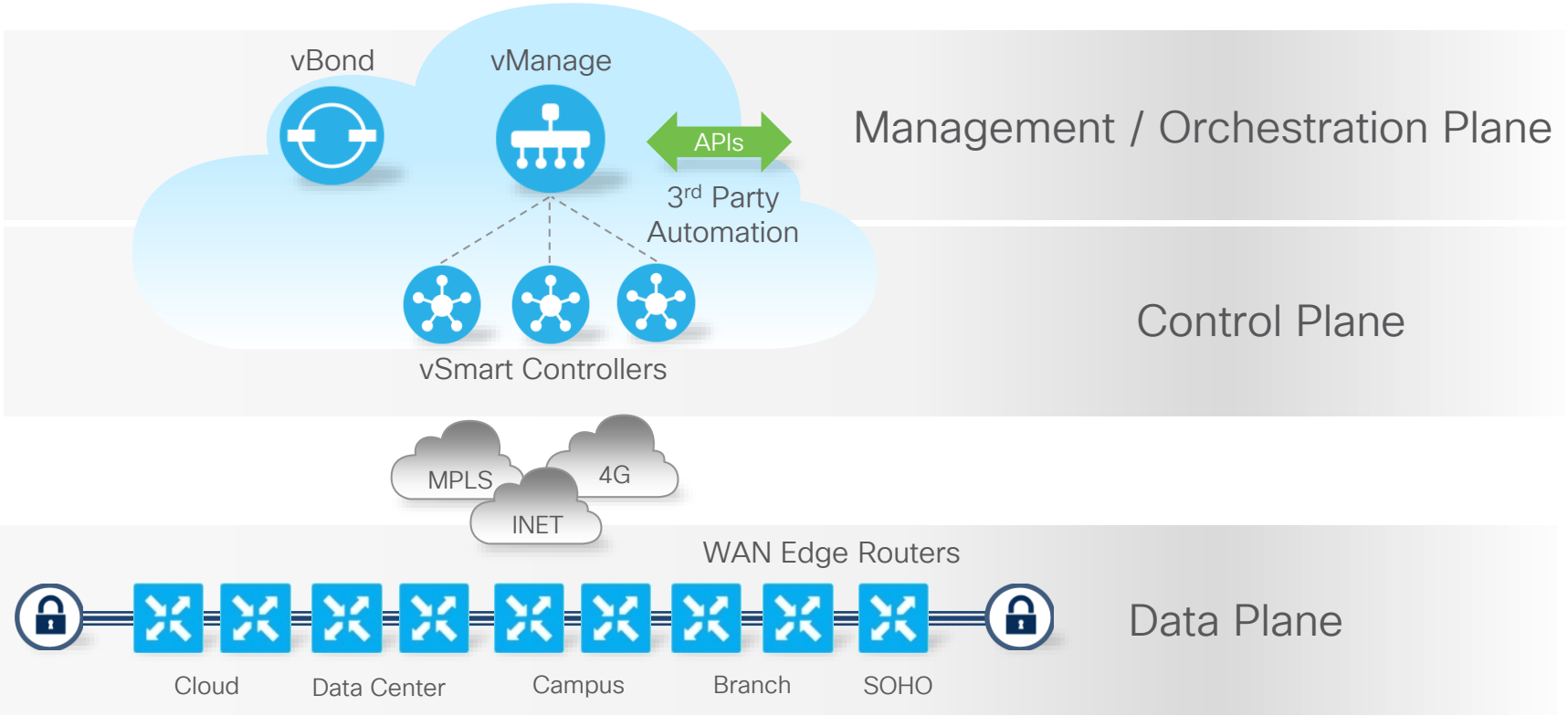
Agenda

- Introduction and Cisco SD-WAN Architecture Review
- SD-WAN Controller Deployment
- SD-WAN Control Plane and Design
- SD-WAN Data Plane and Design
- Policy Framework Introduction
- Overlay Network Design and Services
- Site Design
- Recommended Settings and Operational Best Practices

Cisco SD-WAN – Architecture Review

Cisco SD-WAN Architecture Overview

Applying SDN Principles Onto The Wide Area Network



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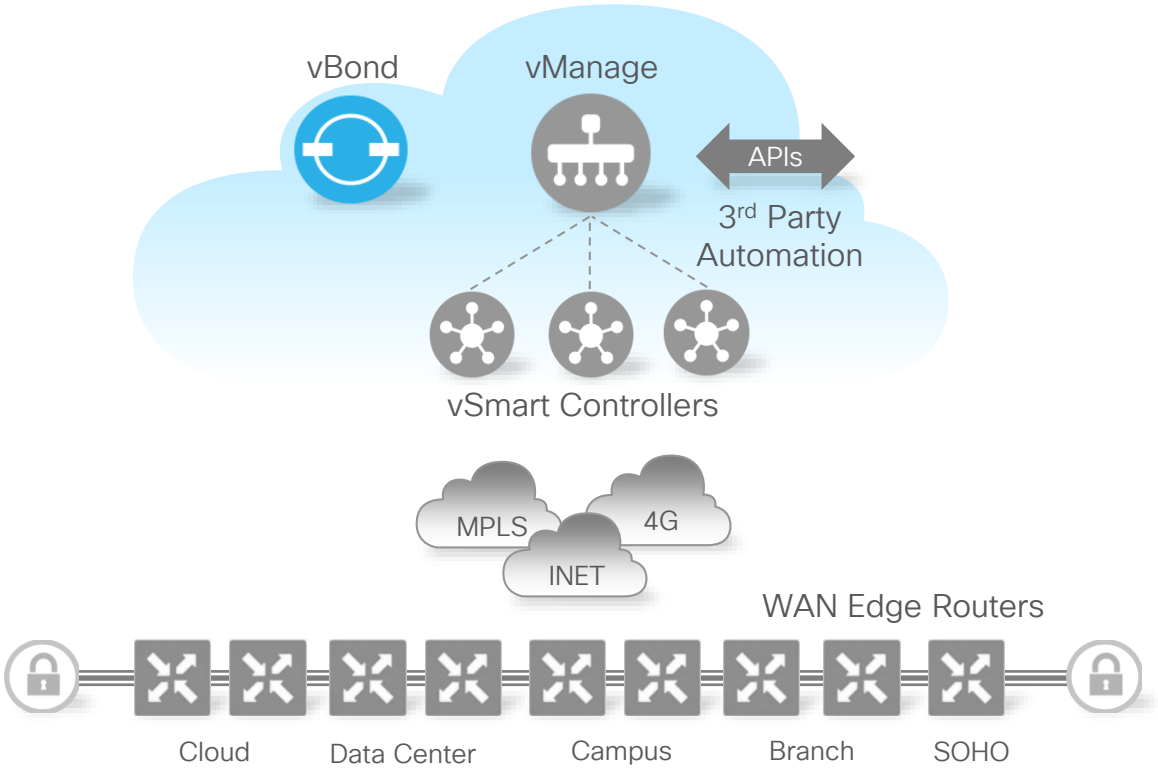
Orchestration Plane - vBond



Characteristics

- Orchestrates control and management plane
- First point of authentication
- Distributes list of vSmarts/ vManage to WAN Edge routers
- Facilitates NAT traversal
- Requires universally reachable IP-Address/Port [Can reside behind Port-Forwarding]
- Independent and resilient layer
- Multitenant or single tenant

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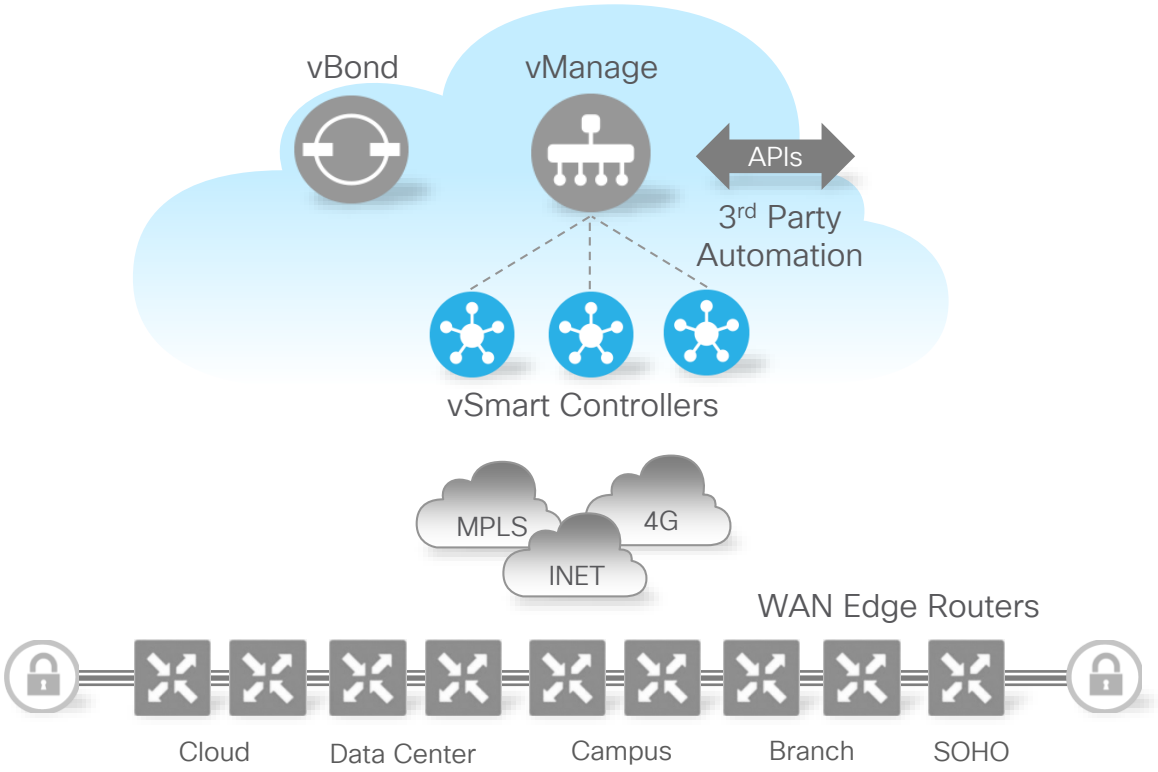
Control Plane - vSmart



Characteristics

- Runs the Overlay Management Protocol (OMP)
- Facilitates fabric discovery
- Disseminates control plane information between Edges
- Distributes Data and App-Aware Routing policies to WAN Edge routers
- Implements control plane policies
- Enables simple and scalable hub-and-spoke control plane
- Independent and resilient layer

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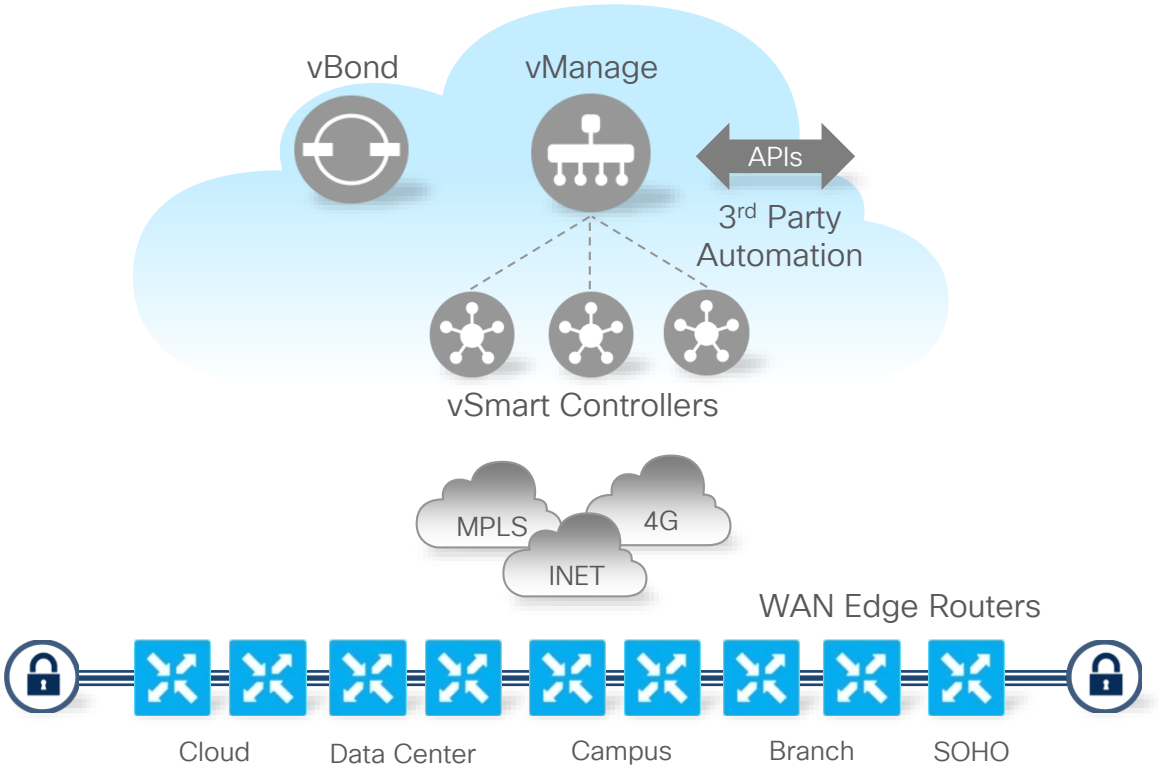
Data Plane - WAN Edge



Characteristics

- Full stack WAN Edge router
- Secure data plane with remote WAN Edge routers
- Establishes secure control plane with vSmart controllers (OMP)
- Implements Data and App-Aware routing policies
- Collects and exports SLA and performance statistics
- Supports traditional routing protocols (OSPF, BGP) and First-hop Redundancy (VRRP)
- Supports Zero Touch Deployment
- Physical and Virtual form factor

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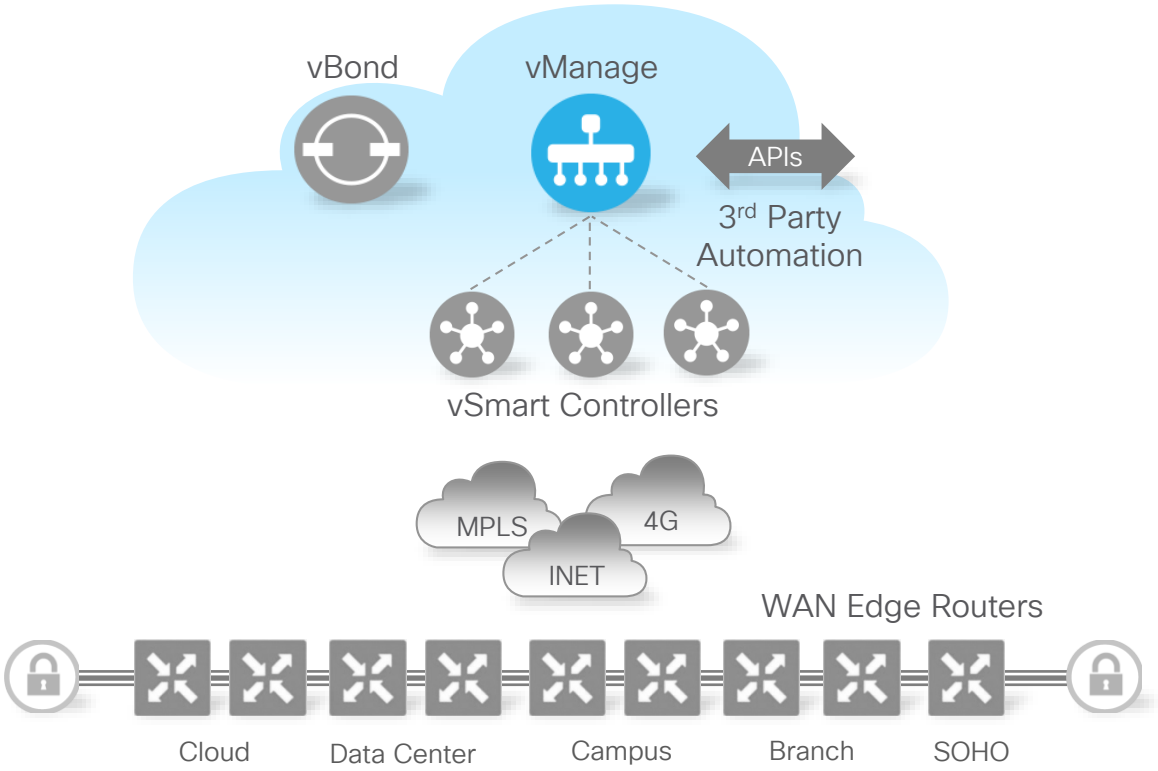
Management Plane - vManage



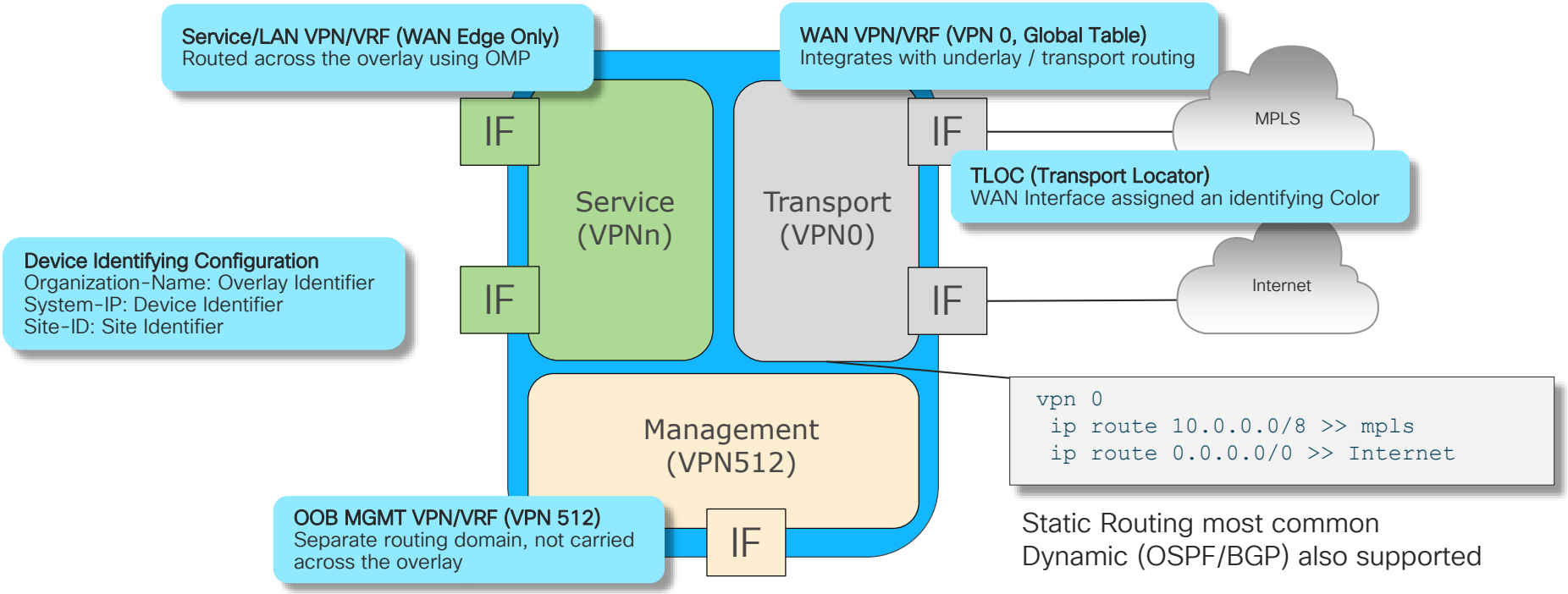
Characteristics

- Single pane of glass for Day0, Day1 and Day2 operations
- Centralized provisioning
- Multitenant or single tenant
- Policies and Templates
- Troubleshooting and Monitoring
- Software upgrades
- GUI with RBAC
- Programmatic interfaces (REST, NETCONF)
- Independent and resilient layer

Cisco SD-WAN – Terminology and key functions

SD-WAN Edge Device Architecture

Connecting the WAN/Transport VRF with the Underlay



Cisco SD-WAN Terminology

- Transport Side – Controller or WAN Edge Interface connected to the underlay/WAN network
  - Always VPN 0 (i.e. Global Table)
  - Traffic typically tunneled/encrypted, unless split-tunneling is used
- Service Side – WAN Edge interface attaching to the LAN
  - VPN 1-511 (512 Reserved for OOB Mgmt)
  - Traffic forwarded as is from original source
- TLOC – Collection of entities making up a transport side connection
  - System-IP: IPv4 Address (non-routed identifier)
  - Color: WAN Interface identifier on local WAN Edge
  - Encryption Key: The encryption key used for traffic destined to the originating TLOC
  - Private TLOC: IP Address on interface sitting on inside of NAT
  - Public TLOC: IP Address on interface sitting on outside of NAT

    Private/Public can be the same if connection is not subject to NAT
- vRoute – Routes Carried in OMP for destinations reachable across the overlay
  - vRoute tagged with attributes as it is picked up by OMP

Cisco SD-WAN Terminology

- OMP – Overlay Management Protocol
  - Dynamic Routing Protocol managing the Overlay domain
  - Integrated mechanism for distribution Routing, Encryption and Policies
- Site-ID – Identifies the Source Location of an advertised prefix
  - Configured on every WAN Edge, vSmart and vManage
  - Does not have to be unique, but then assumes same location
  - Required configuration for OMP and TLOC to be brought up
- System-IP – Unique identifier of an OMP Endpoint
  - 32 Bit dot decimal notation (an IPv4 Address)
  - Logically a VPN 0 Loopback Interface, referred to as “system”
  - The system interface is the termination point for OMP
- Organization-Name – Defines the OU to match in the Certificate Auth Process
  - OU carried in both directions for authentication b/t control and WAN Edge nodes
  - Can be set to anything as long as it’s consistent across the Cisco SD-WAN domain

Cisco SD-WAN - Network Bring-up

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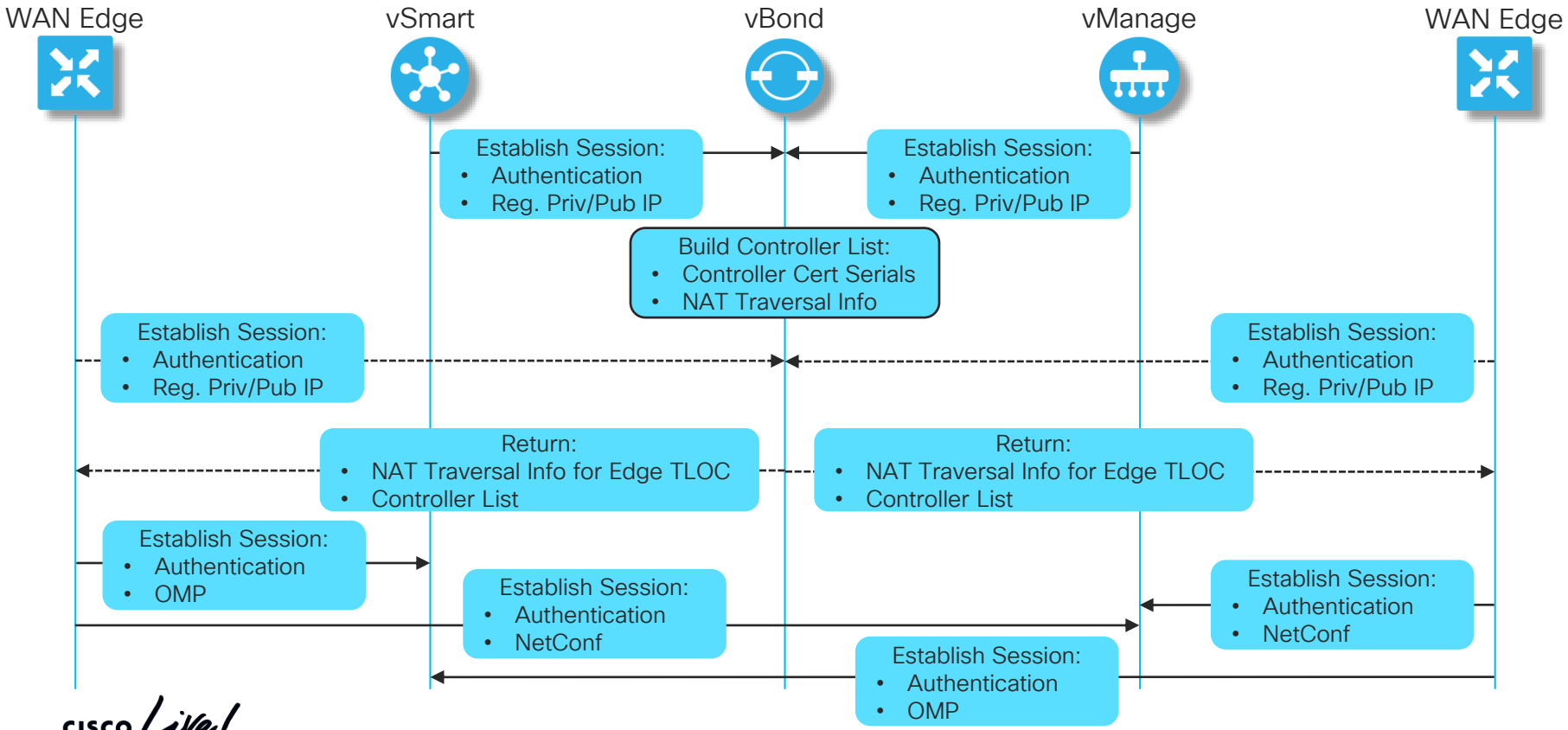
Control Plane Establishment



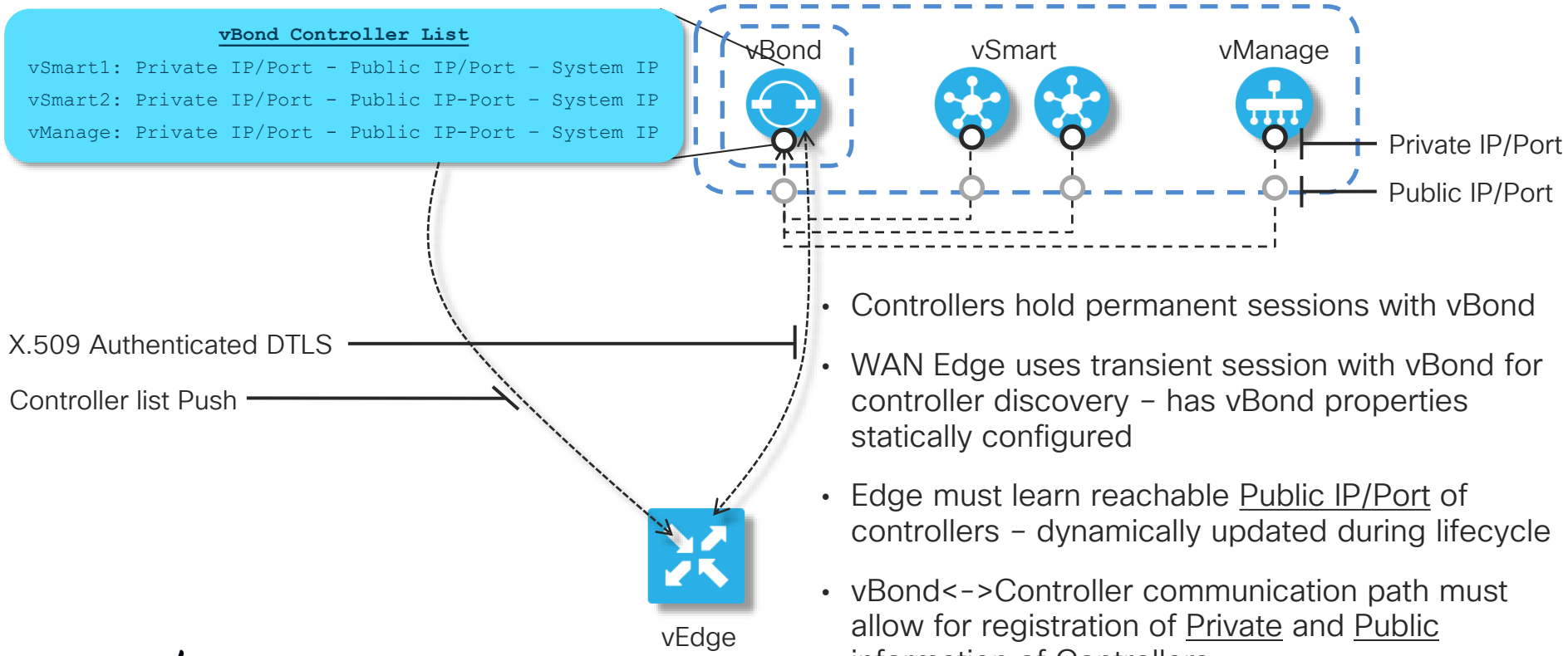
WAN Edge Controller Discovery

Finding vBond

- Controllers and WAN Edges must know about vBond upfront
  - Via Configuration or Zero Touch Provisioning
- Controllers will attach to every known vBond
  - Ensures that every vBond knows of every controller
- WAN Edge will try vBonds one-by-one on every TLOC
  - Controller connections are establish on every TLOC by default
- Both Controllers and WAN Edges find vBonds in the same way:
  - Locally configured IP-address (for a single vBond) or FQDN (for multiple vBonds)
  - FQDN can be resolved via DNS or locally (host statements)
  - In case of ZTP and need for local resolution, an IP-address can be pushed initially and host statements put in place when template configuration is applied

WAN Edge Controller Discovery

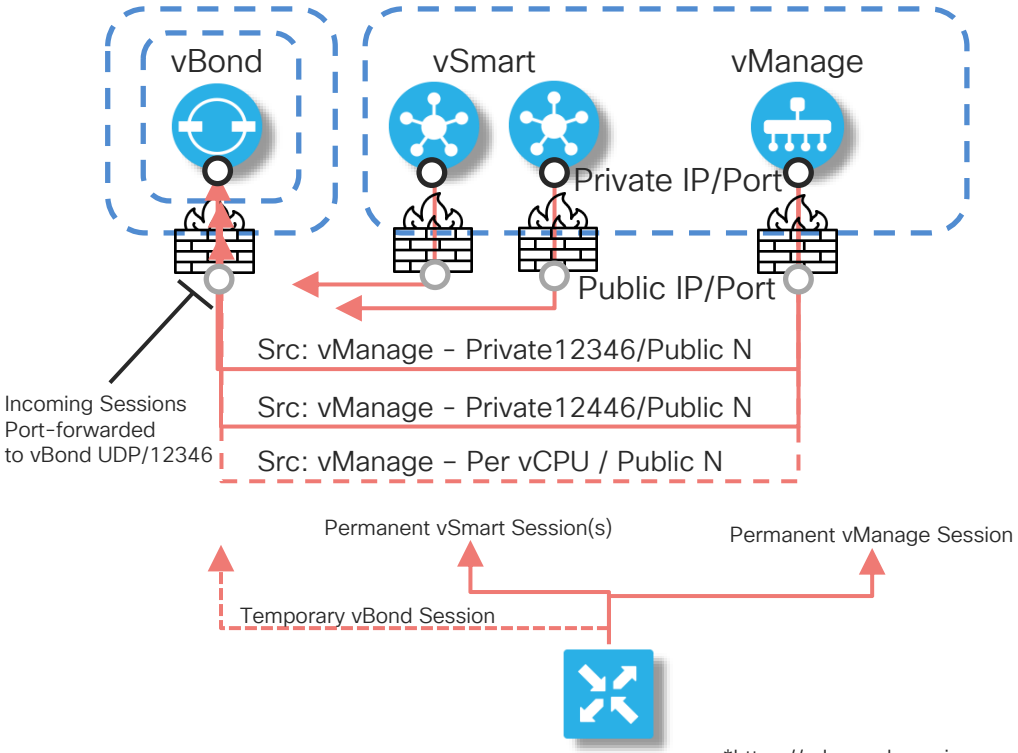
Using vBond



- Controllers hold permanent sessions with vBond
- WAN Edge uses transient session with vBond for controller discovery – has vBond properties statically configured
- Edge must learn reachable Public IP/Port of controllers – dynamically updated during lifecycle
- vBond<->Controller communication path must allow for registration of Private and Public information of Controllers

Controller Firewall Traversal

Port Numbers and Session Establishment Direction



- vBond Service: UDP/12346
  - Not tied to a local IP-address
- vSmart/vManage behavior is identical
  - Will establish permanent sessions with every vBond
  - One session established per vCPU for load-sharing
- vSmart: UDP/12346 + 100 per vCPU
  - 12346, 12446, 12546, etc
- vManage: UDP/12346 + 100 per vCPU
  - 12346, 12446, 12546, etc
- WAN Edge: UDP/12346 + 20 up to 12426
  - 12346, 12366, 12386, 12406, 12426*
  - Source-Port will periodically change if port-hop is enabled* – 12346 is default
  - Base port can move +1-19 using port offset**

*https://sdwan-docs.cisco.com/Product_Documentation/Command_Reference/Configuration_Commands/port-hop
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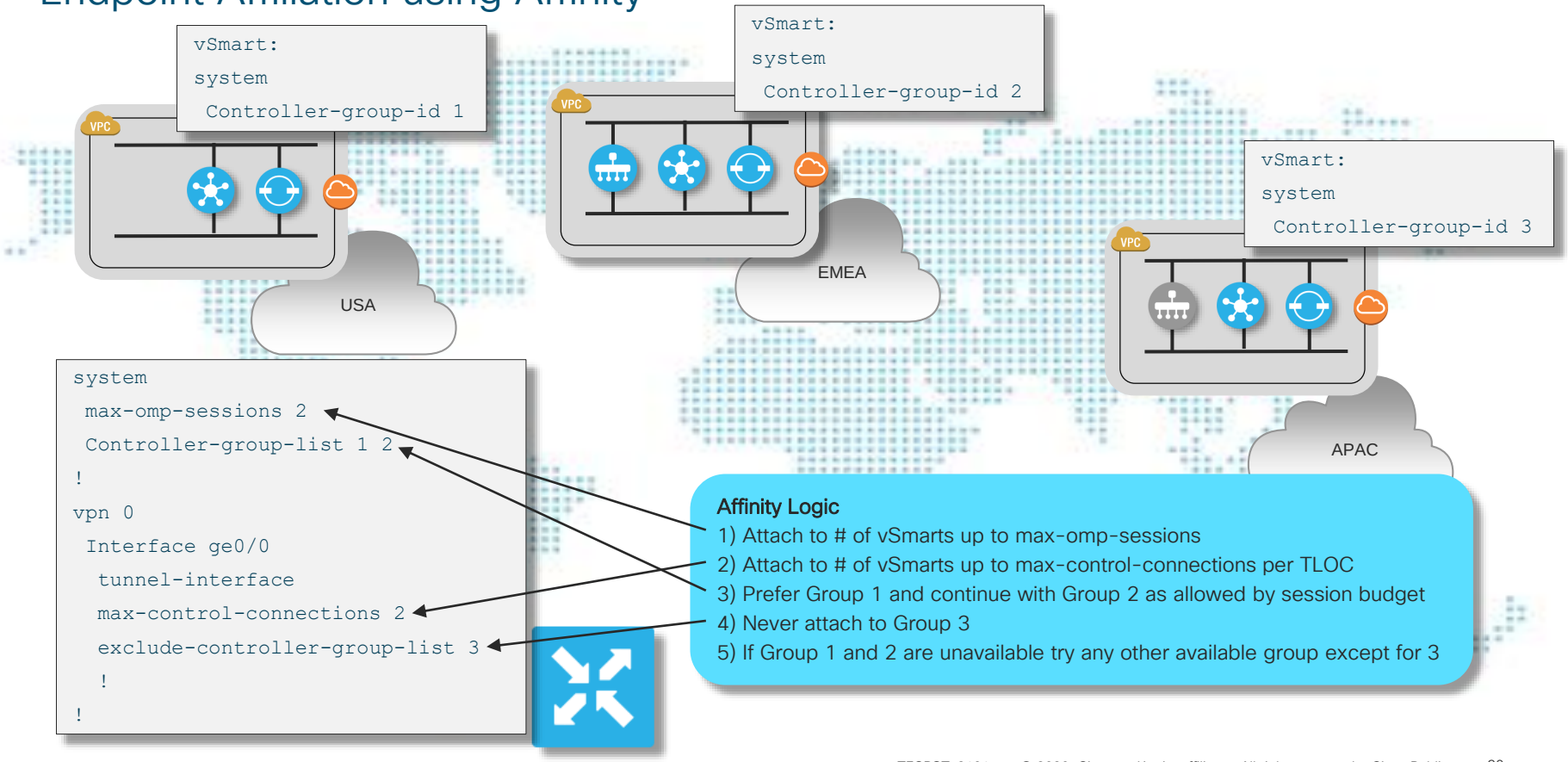
SD-WAN Controller Large Scale Deployment

Endpoint Affiliation using Affinity



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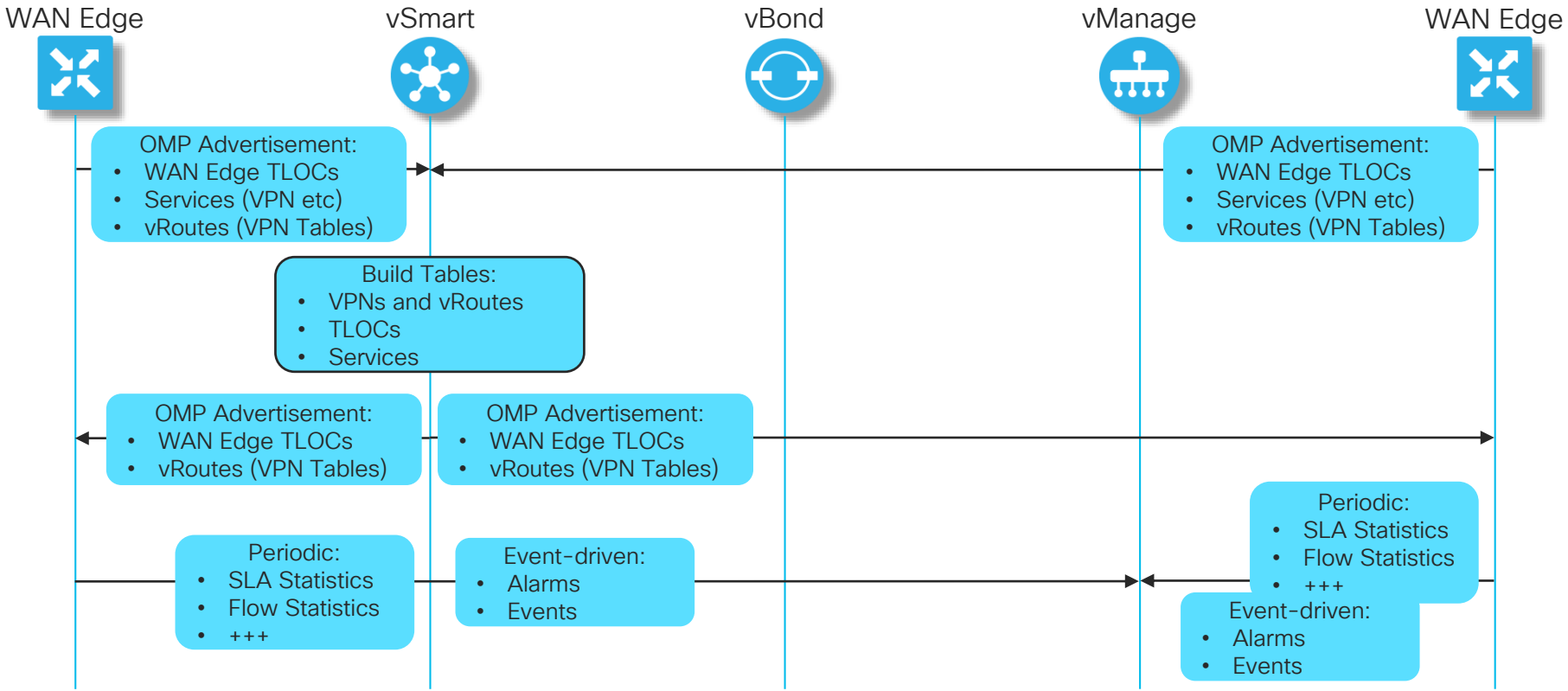
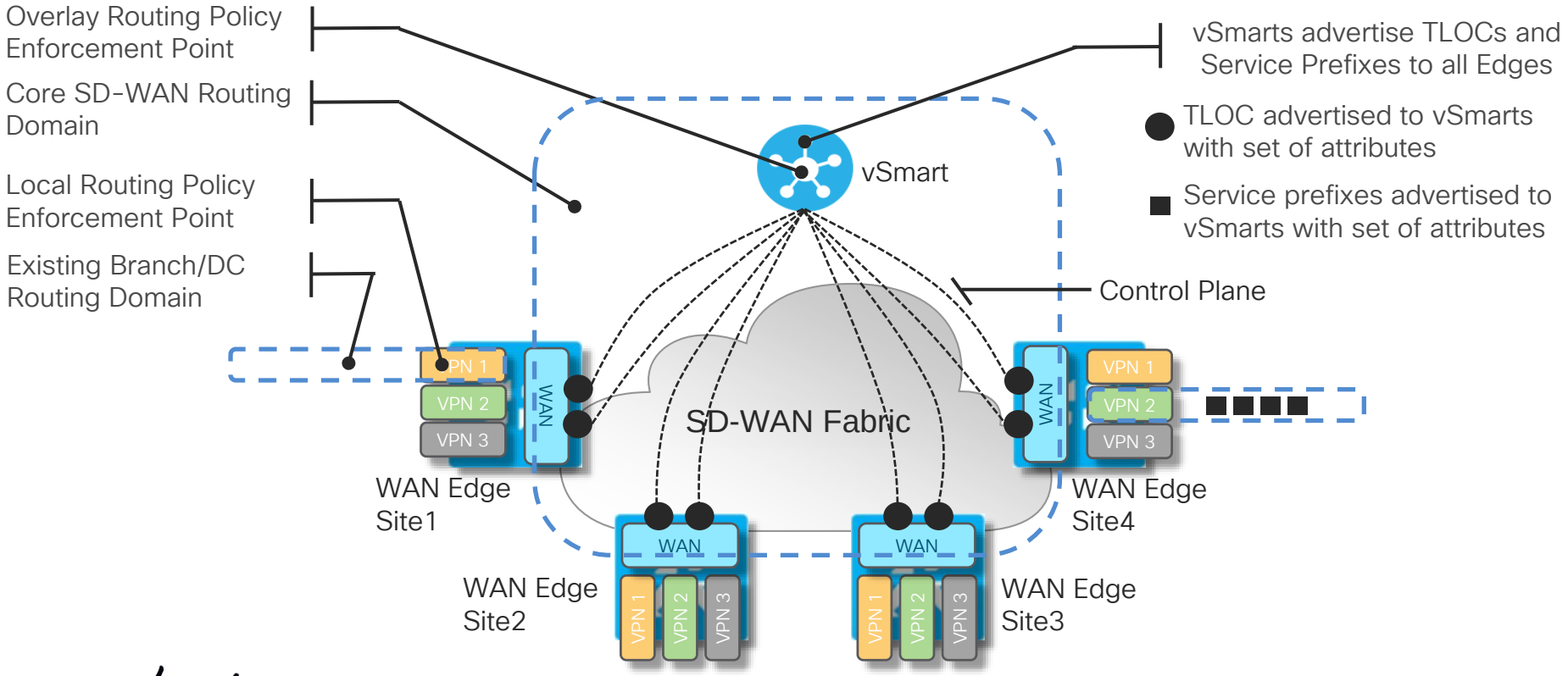
Control Plane Exchanges



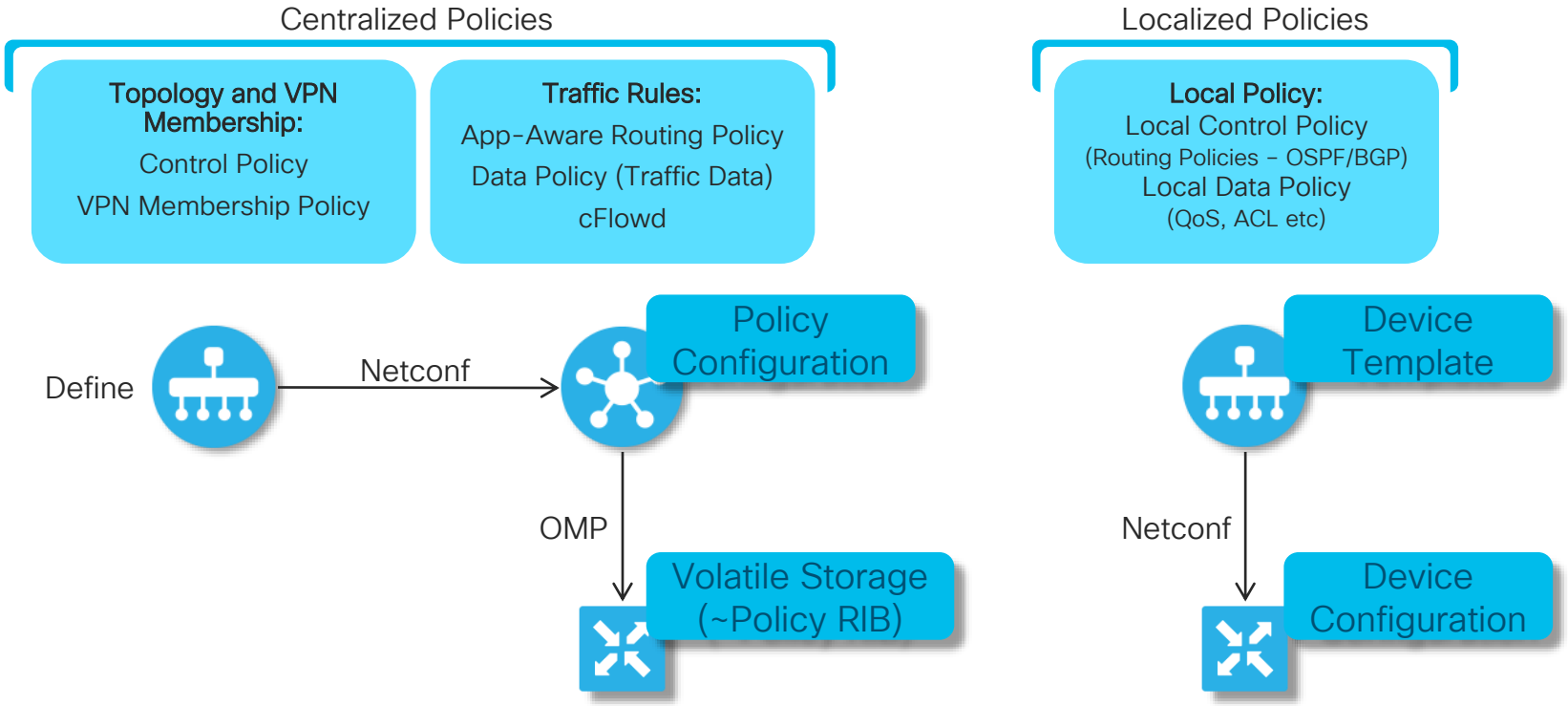
Cisco SD-WAN Overlay Routing

Multi-domain Routing Fabric



Cisco SD-WAN Policy Architecture

Policy Categories



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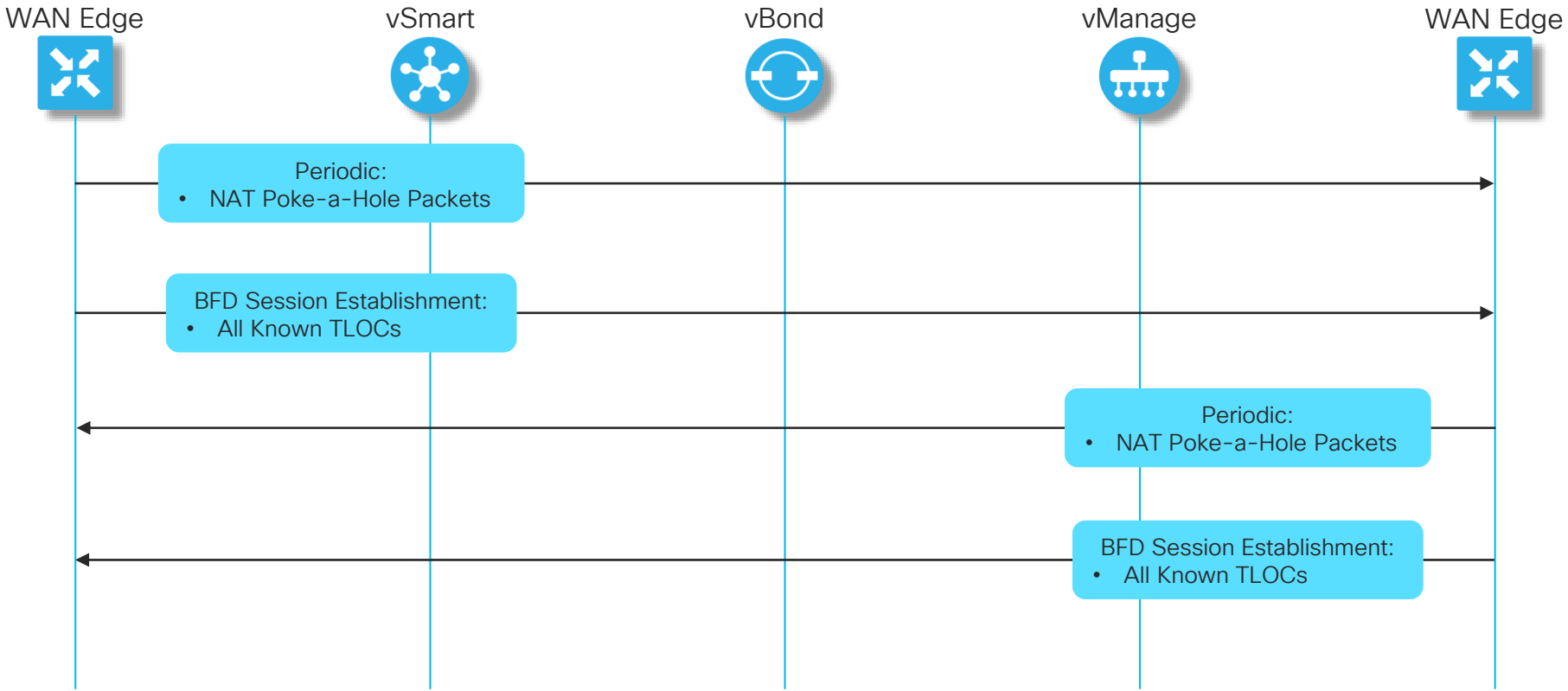


TLOCs, Colors, Site-IDs and Carriers

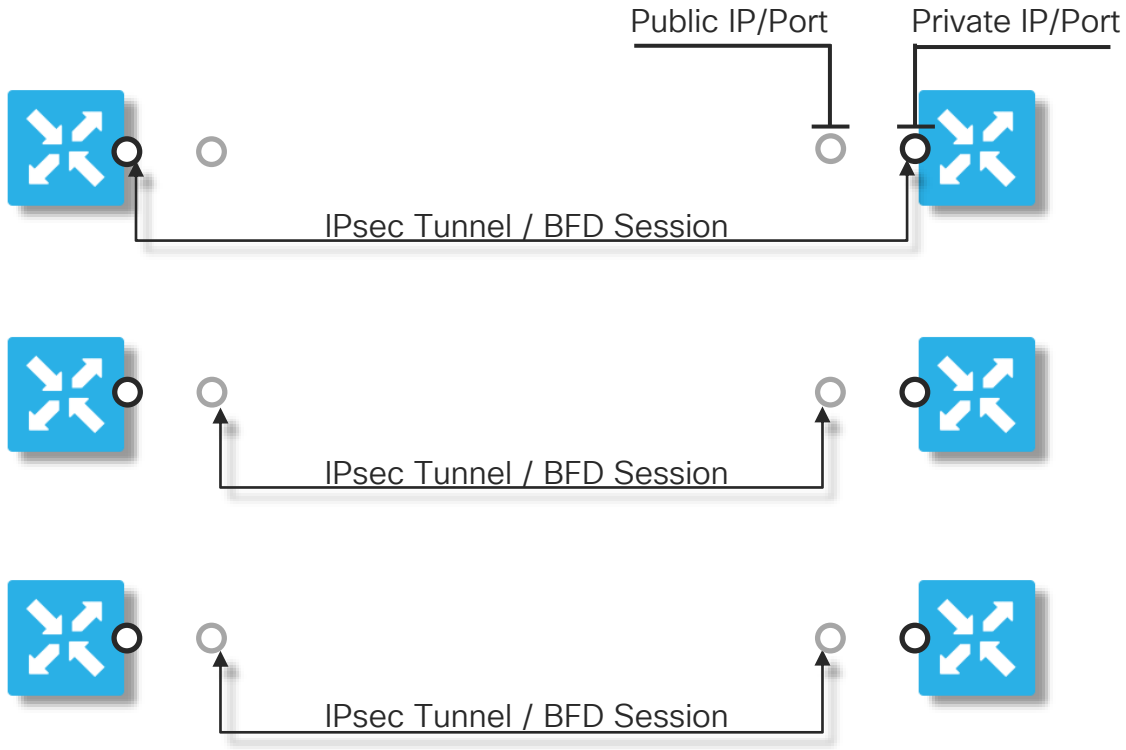
Definitions

- TLOC Color used as static identifier for:
  - TLOC Interface on WAN Edge device
  - Underlay network attachment
- The specific color used is categorized as Private or Public
  - Private Colors [mpls, private1-6, metro-ethernet]
  - All other colors are public [red, blue,..., public-ethernet,...]
- Private vs Public color is highly significant
- Color setting applies to:
  - WAN Edge to WAN Edge Communication
  - WAN Edge to Controller Communication

TLOCs, Colors, Site-IDs and Carriers

Private and Public Color Significance

1. Private Color to Private Color
2. Private Color to Public Color
3. Public Color to Public Color



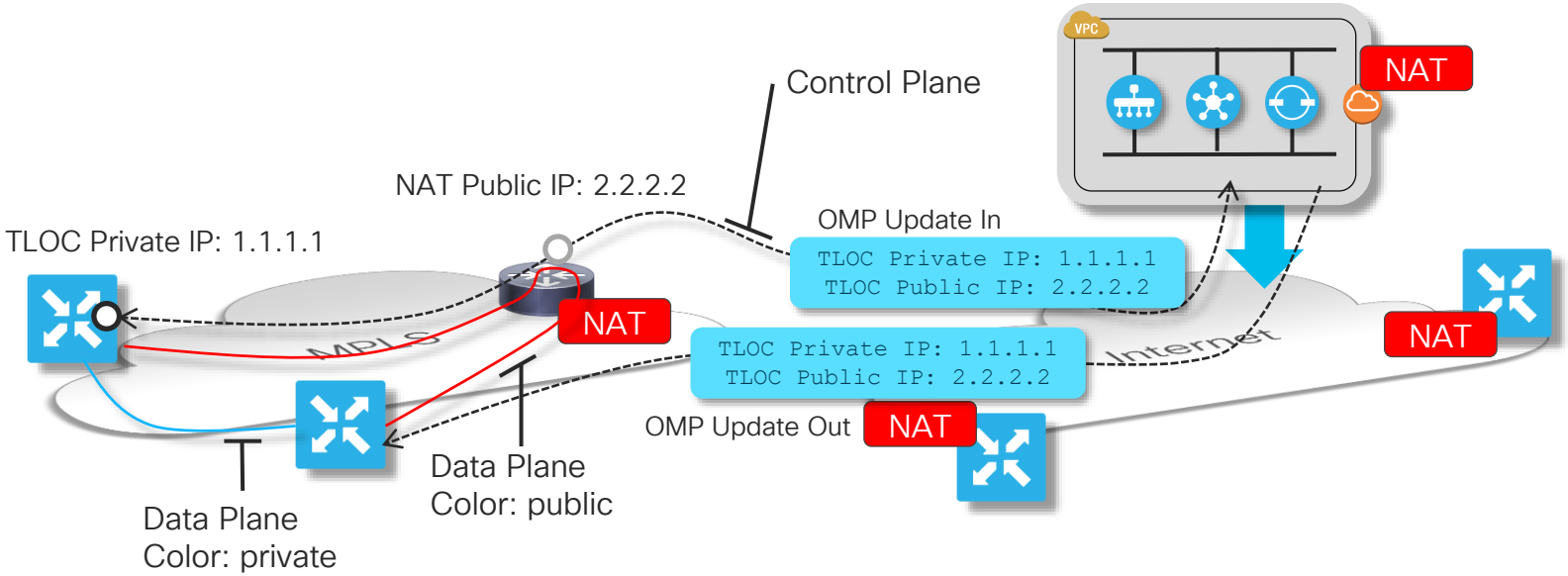
TLOCs, Colors, Site-IDs and Carriers

Color Contention Resolution

- If Site-IDs are identical and colors public:
  - Use Private information
- Carrier setting is final influencer to decide on Private/Public IP/Port
  - Use if two endpoints are using private colors and you need session between them to be established between their Public IP/Port

Control and Data Plane Establishment

Significance of TLOC Color



- Data plane path formation dependent on presence of NAT and Color Selection
- Domain w/o NAT should use Private Color endpoints, with NAT; use Public Color Endpoints

Control and Data Plane Establishment

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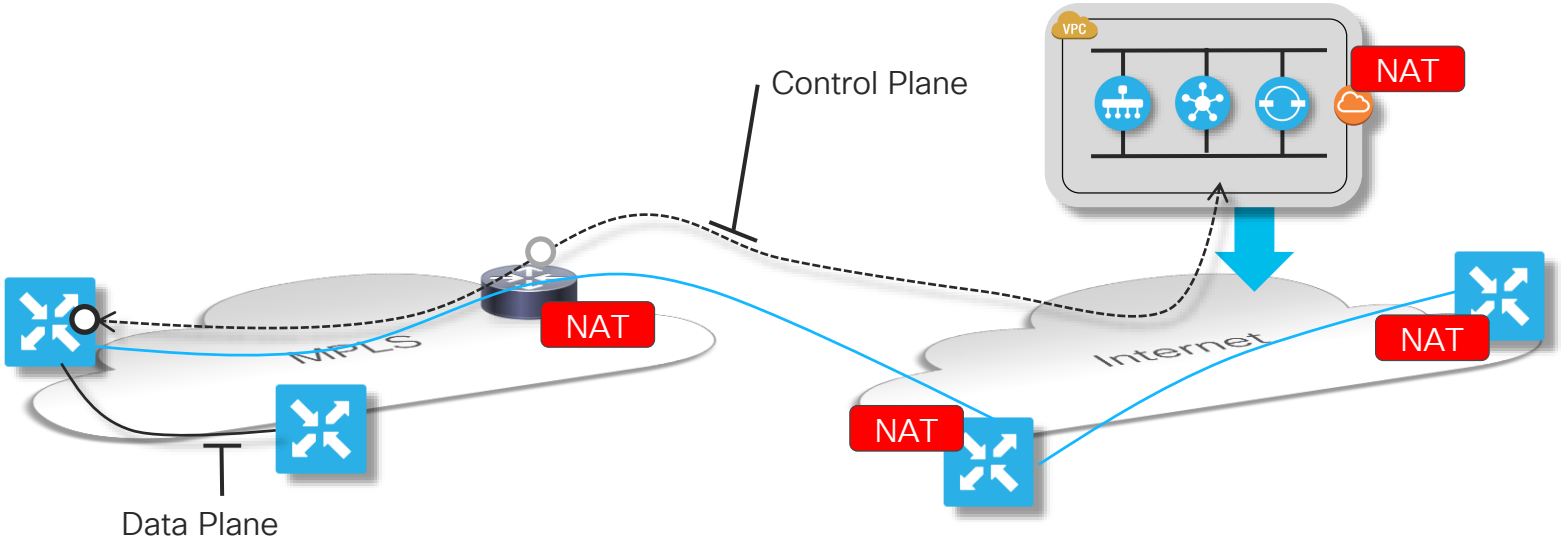


- MPLS uses Private Color, Internet uses Public Color
- Connectivity optimized within and across domains

Cisco SD-WAN – Controller Deployment

Cisco SD-WAN Controllers

Deployment Options and Designs

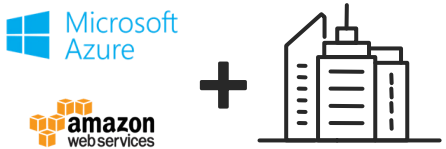
- Design is highly influenced by:
  - On or Off-prem hosting
  - Security Requirements
  - Need to manage Data Plane attachment to the overlay in combination with NAT
- Controller Design must handle any combination of data plane and choice of hosting model
- Key concepts, such as TLOC, Colors and Carrier settings are crucial for a fully functional overlay

Cisco SD-WAN – Controller Deployment Models

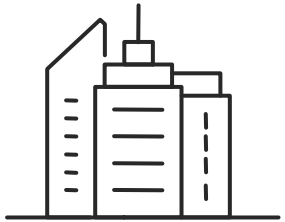
Controller Deployment Models

- Cloud hosted
- AWS or Azure
- Single or Multiple Availability Zones
- Recommended Model

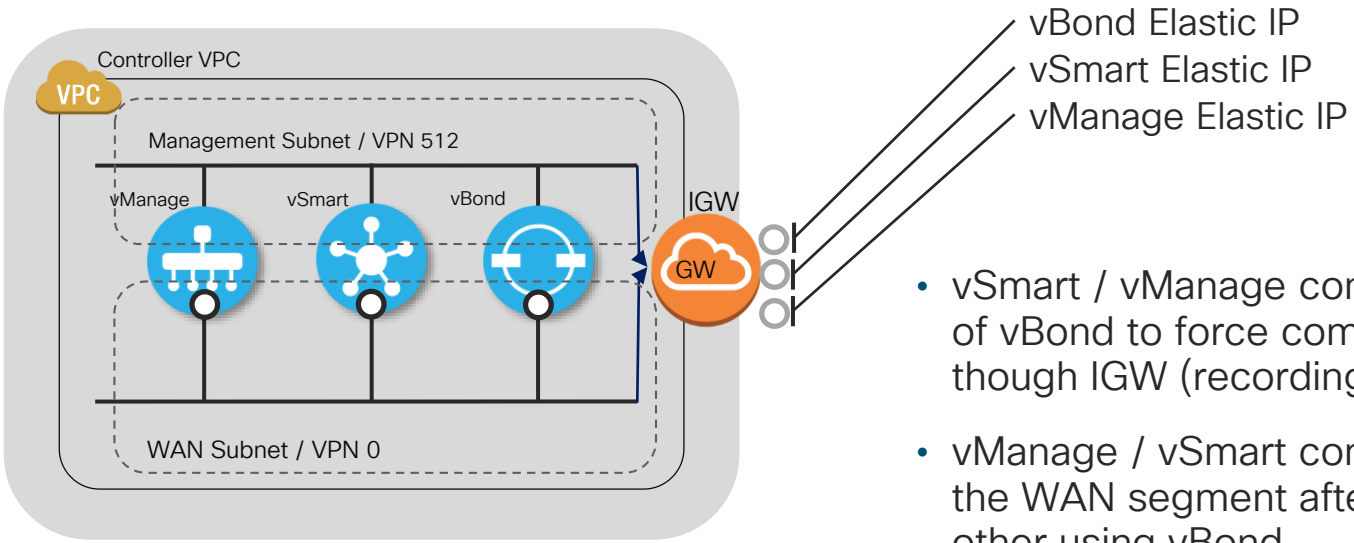
- Cloud hosted + On prem
- Public Cloud, Private Cloud and/or DC
- IP connectivity between domains required
- Not Supported



- On prem only
- Private Cloud or DC
- Public and Private transport still supported
- Specific design considerations required



Cloud hosted Deployment – Recommended

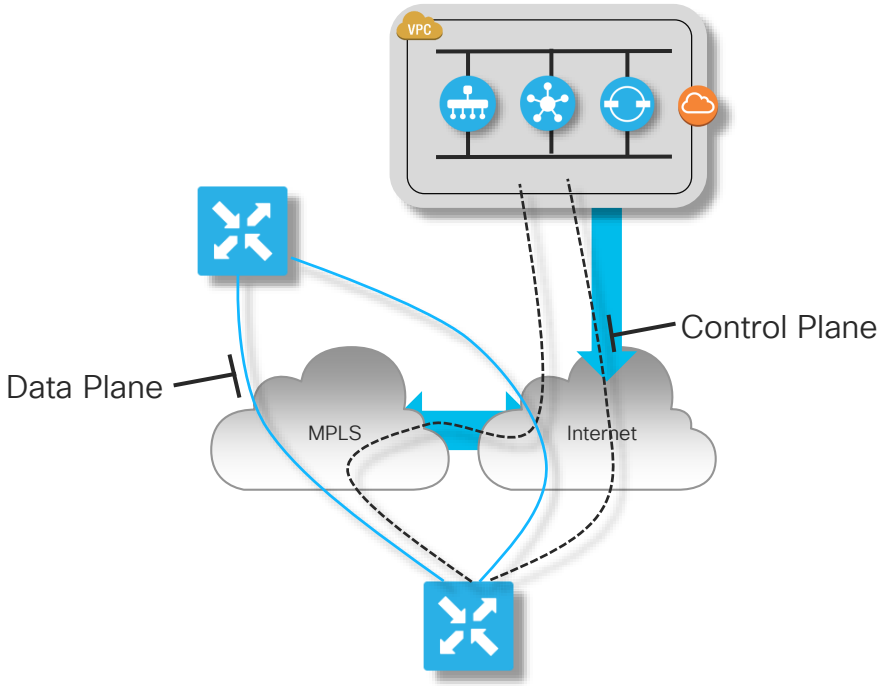


- vSmart / vManage configured with elastic IP of vBond to force communication to pass though IGW (recording Private/Public)
- vManage / vSmart communicate locally on the WAN segment after discovering each other using vBond
- vManage / vSmart having different site-ids, communication via IGW
- Controllers in other zones register with vBond and are dynamically discovered

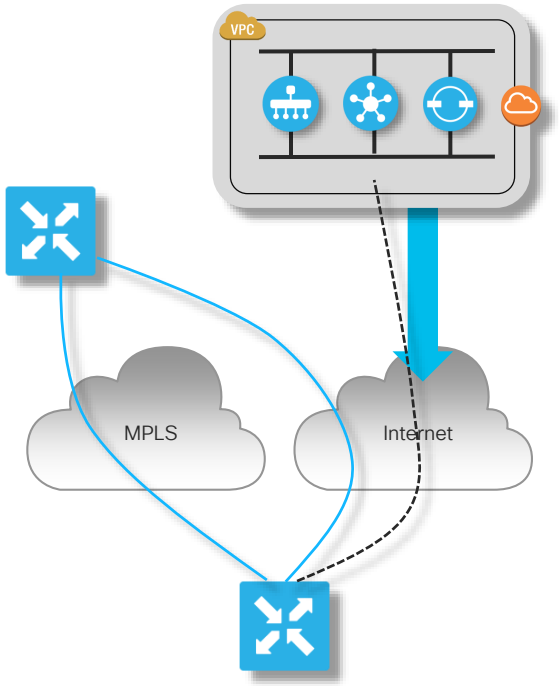
Cloud hosted Deployment – Recommended

Control and Data Plane Establishment

Interconnected data plane –
Contiguous connectivity



Separate underlays –
Disjointed connectivity



Cloud-hosted Deployment

Summary

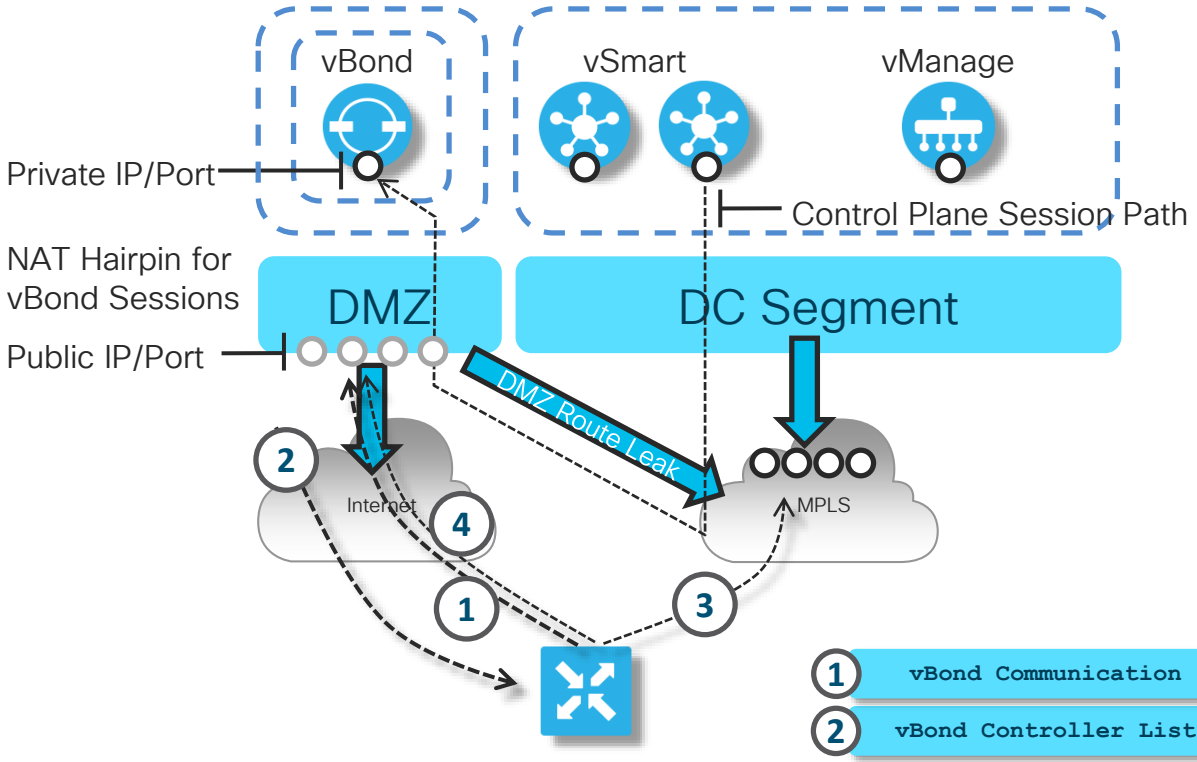
- Recommended mode of deployment
  - Ease of deployment – Cisco orchestrated
  - No On-Prem design considerations
  - Easy to scale and to deliver redundancy / HA
- Requirements
  - Internet connectivity from every site (unless using DirectConnect)
  - If using MPLS Transport, Internet breakout required for Control Plane
- Challenge
  - With a single Internet connection, no DirectConnect or Internet Breakout from MPLS – No Controller Redundancy

On-prem Deployment Considerations

- Supporting NAT Traversal
  - vBond supporting Private + Public Discovery
- Supporting Hybrid Environments
  - Interconnected MPLS and Internet Domains
  - Separate MPLS and Internet Domains
- Redundancy
- Firewall Traversal

On-Prem Deployment – vBond / NAT Traversal

Controllers accessible via Private and Public Transport



- Controllers can support hybrid Private / Public transport connections
- Private transport using private IPs for communication. Prefix advertised in private domain
- Public transport using public IPs, generally assigned by provider
- Multi-homed WAN Edge capable of supporting both models concurrently

1. vBond Communication
2. vBond Controller List
3. MPLS Edge -> Controller Session
4. Internet Edge -> Controller Session

On-Prem Deployment

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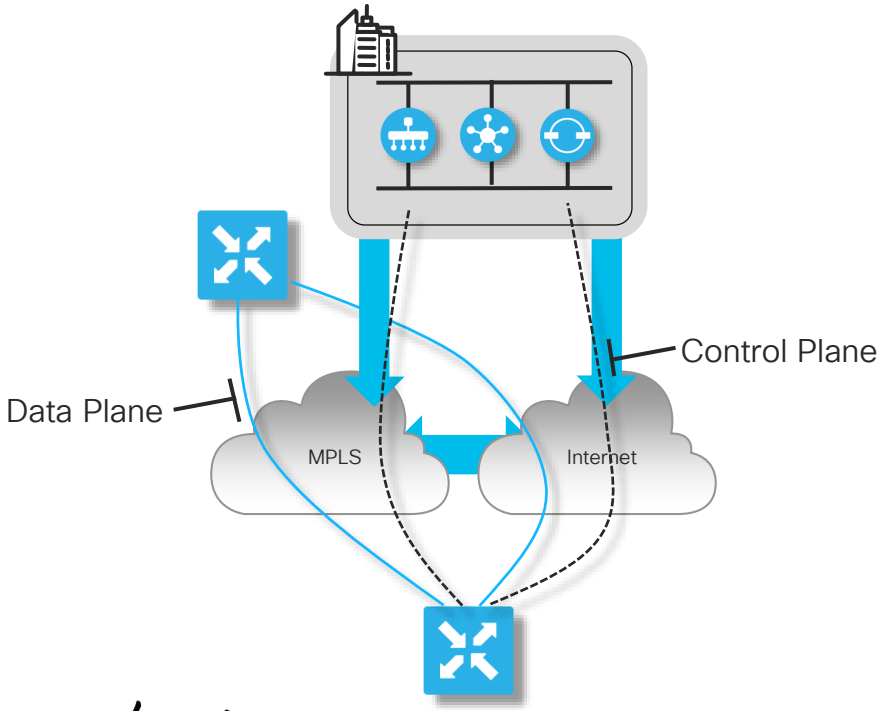

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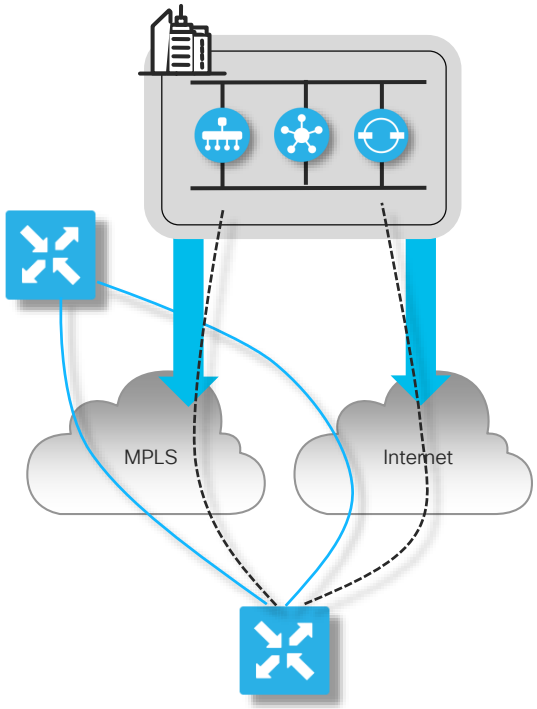
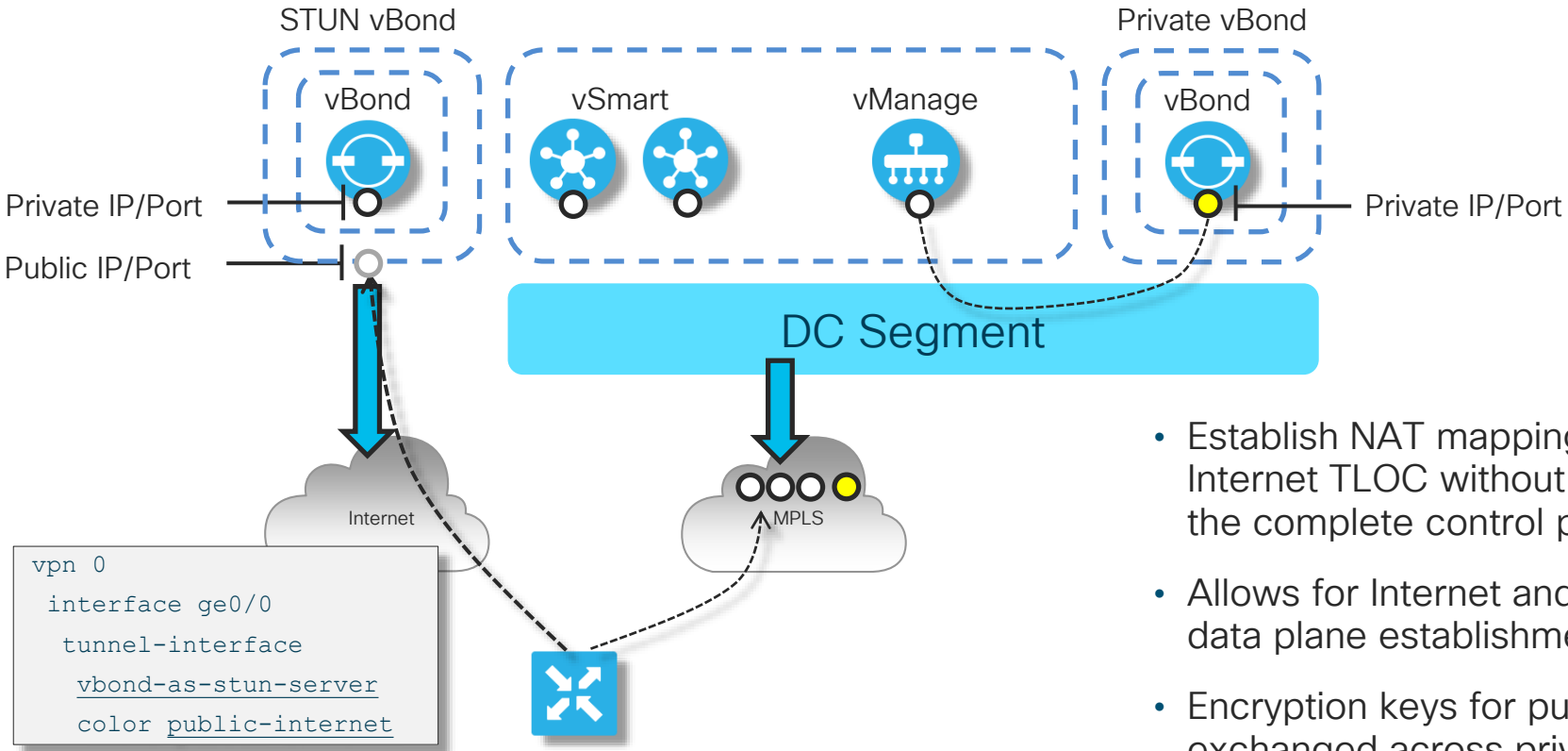


vBond-as-Stun-Server (vEdge Only)

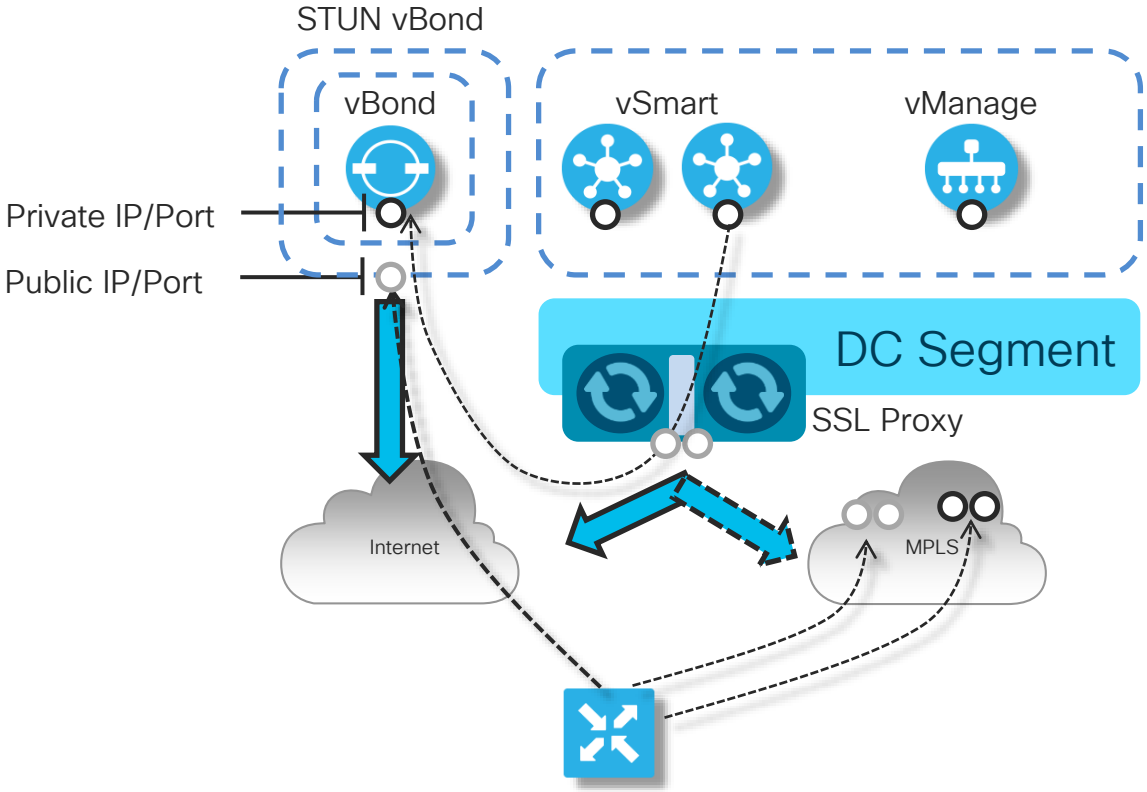
Controllers accessible via Private Transport Only



- Establish NAT mappings for Internet TLOC without operating the complete control plane
- Allows for Internet and MPLS data plane establishment
- Encryption keys for public exchanged across private only

Controller Proxy Access

Use SSL Proxy to maintain secure isolation of controllers



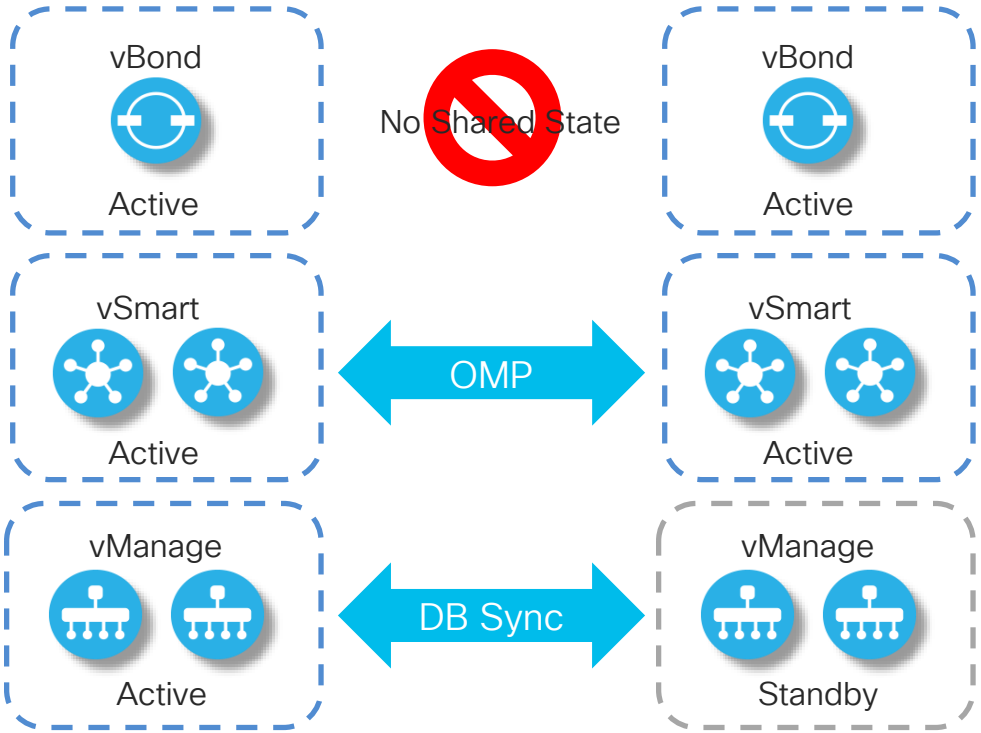
- Private IP/Port information never exposed outside of DC
- Ports assigned on Proxy are configured on vManage/vSmart
- Proxy needs signed cert to allow for controller/edge authentication
- Ports maps are established with vBond using standard mechanism

Cisco SD-WAN – Controller Redundancy

SD-WAN Controller Redundancy

High Level Description

Same Principles Apply for Cloud and On-Prem



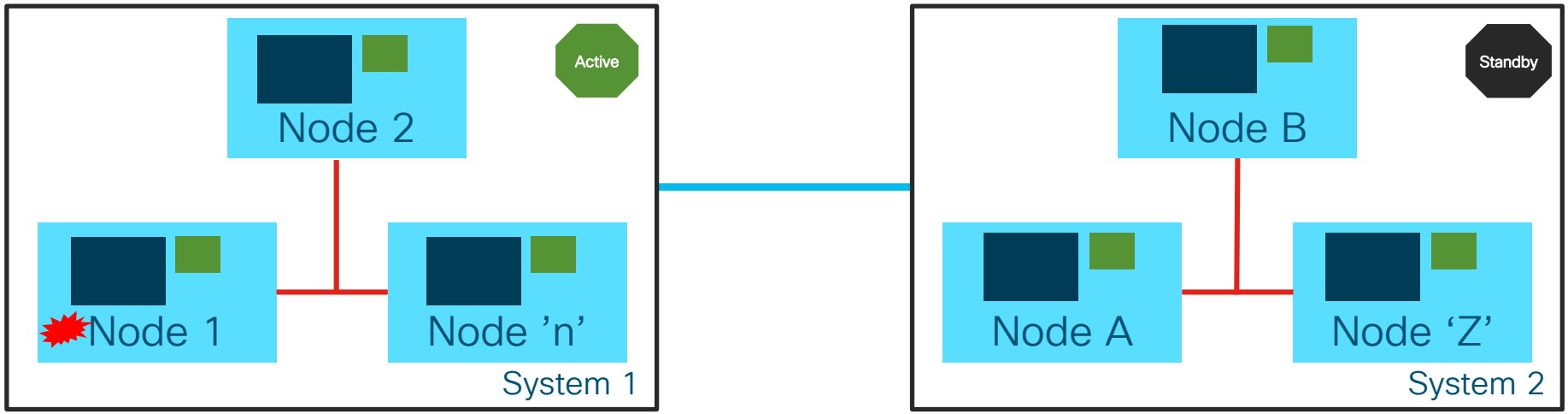
No Shared State
DNS FQDN to cover multiple vBonds
(e.g. vbond.enterprise.com)

OMP Mesh amongst all active vSmarts
vSmart dynamic discovery via vBond
No configuration Required

Active / Standby Cluster Architecture (Improved in 19.2)
Clusters are maintained from within vManage
Database synchronization required b/t Active/Standby

vManage Controller Redundancy

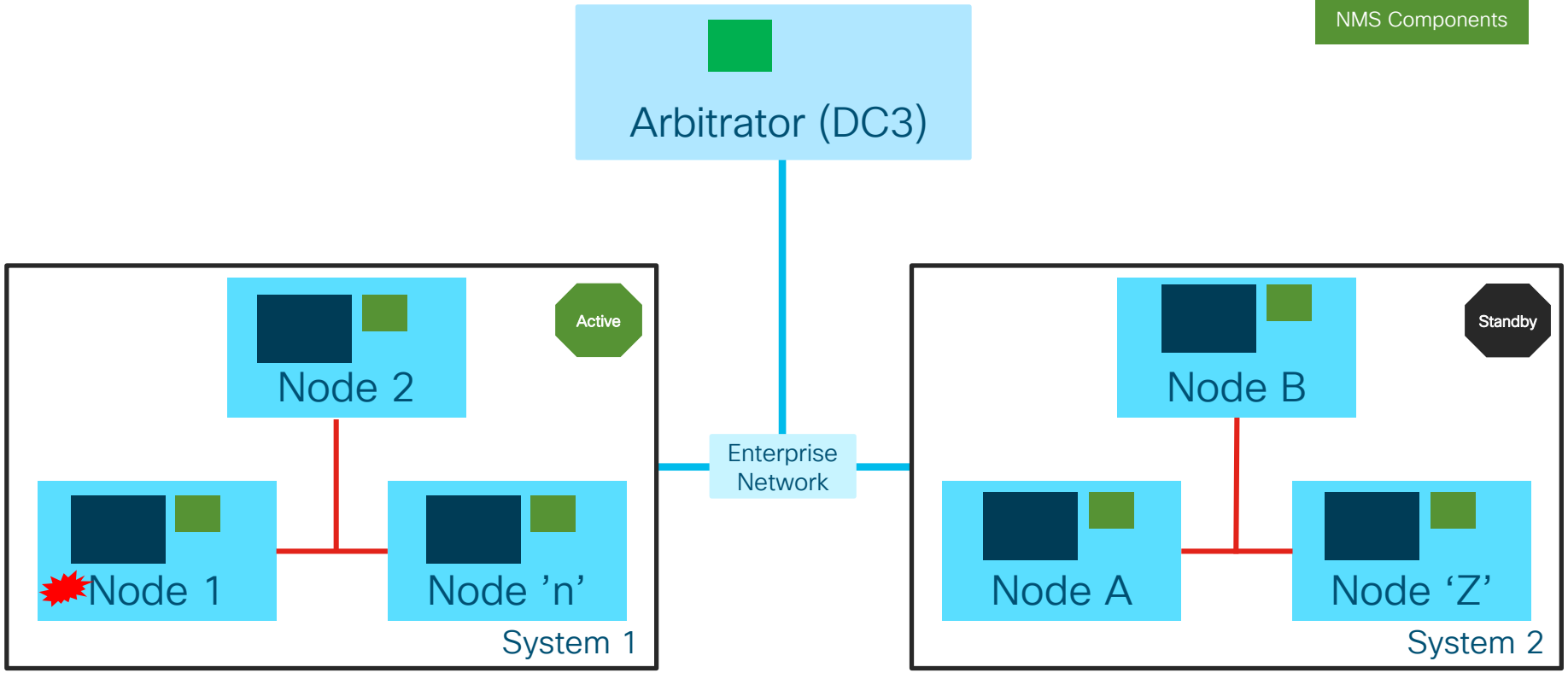
Passive Redundancy (=>R19.2)



- vManage scales horizontally using Clustering
- Add more vManage nodes to cluster in DC for Scale and local HA
- Inter-Cluster Redundancy with DC local Clusters
  - Additional vManage interface used for cluster connectivity

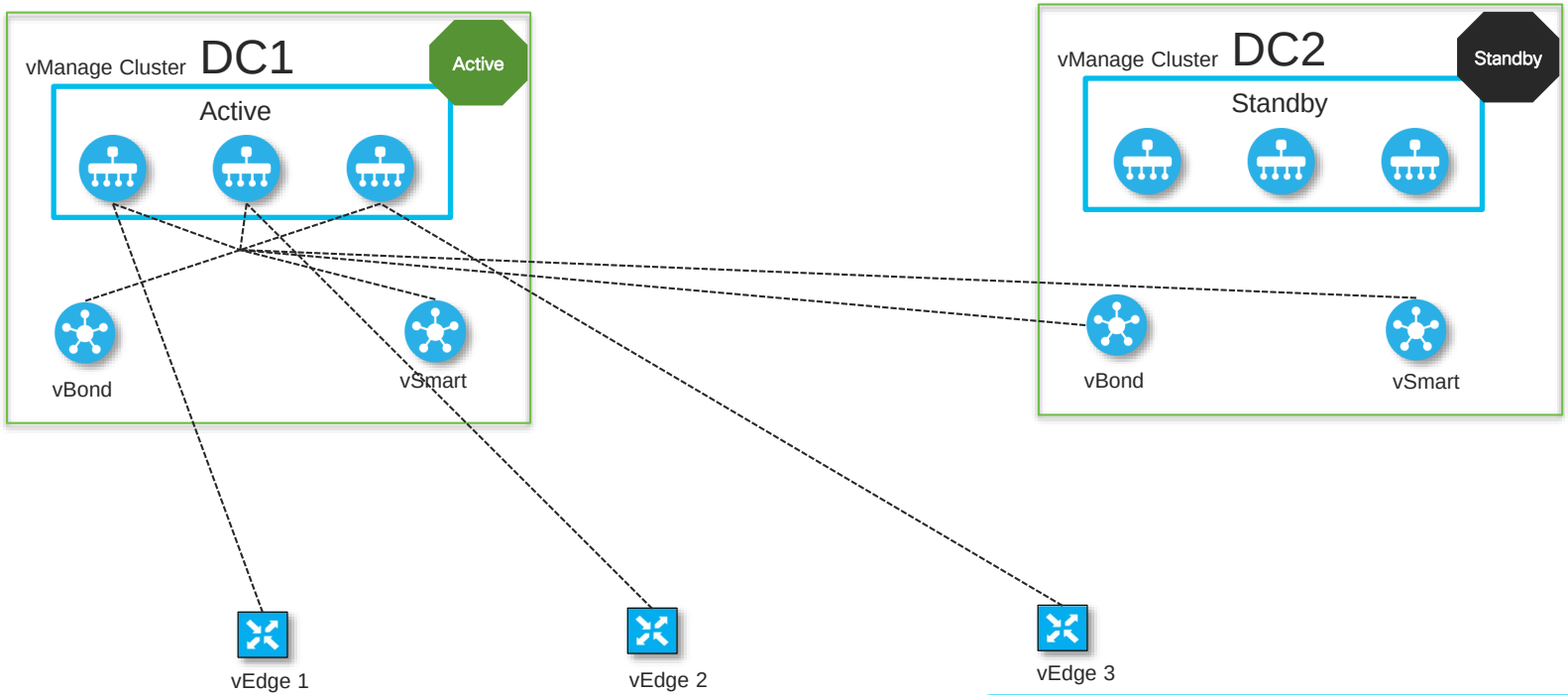
vManage Controller Redundancy

Active Redundancy (=>19.2)



vManage Cluster – Failover

Steady State – Primary Cluster Operational



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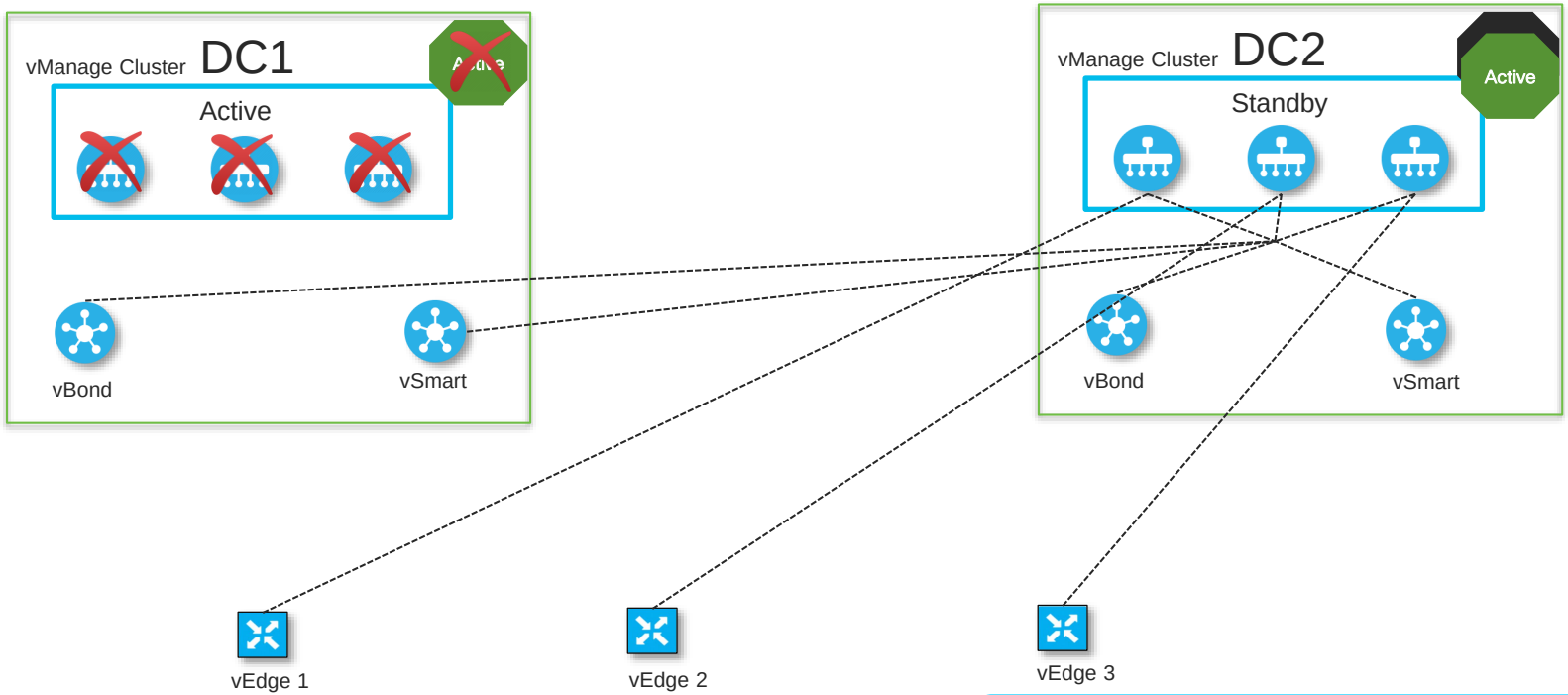
Post Failover State– Standby Cluster Operational



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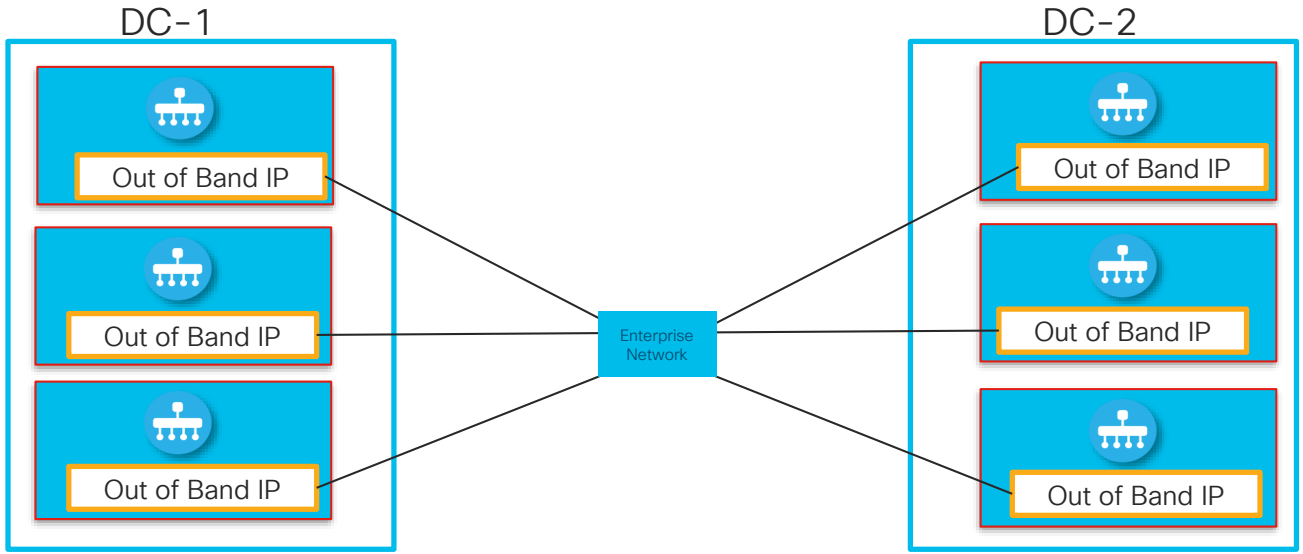
Passive vManage Cluster Redundancy
Database Synchronization



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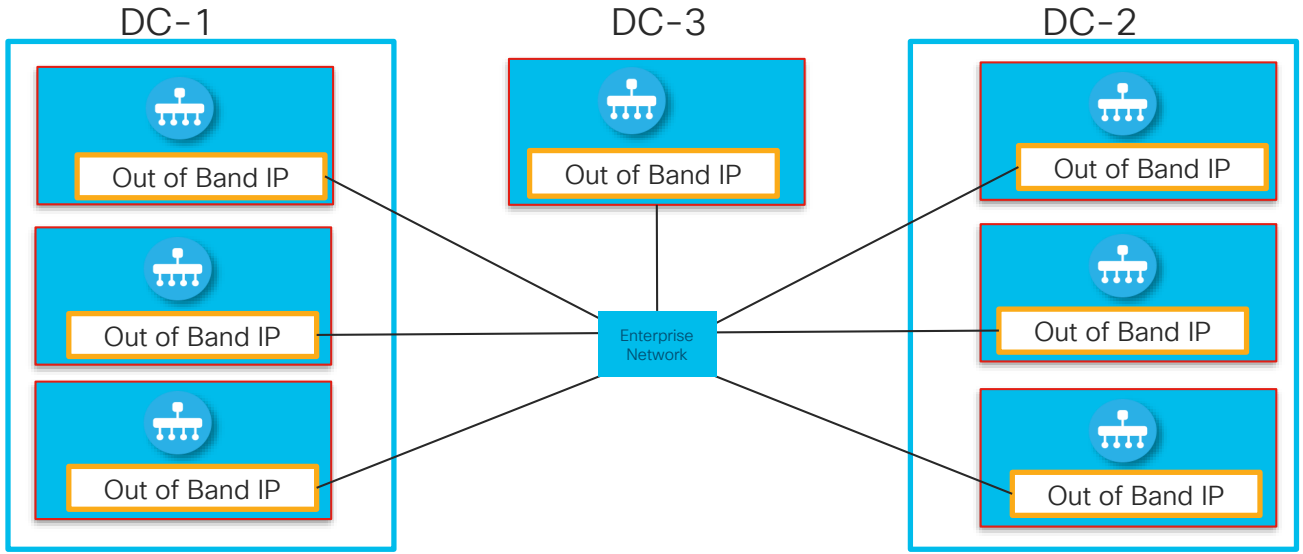
Active vManage Cluster Redundancy
Database Synchronization and Cluster Monitoring



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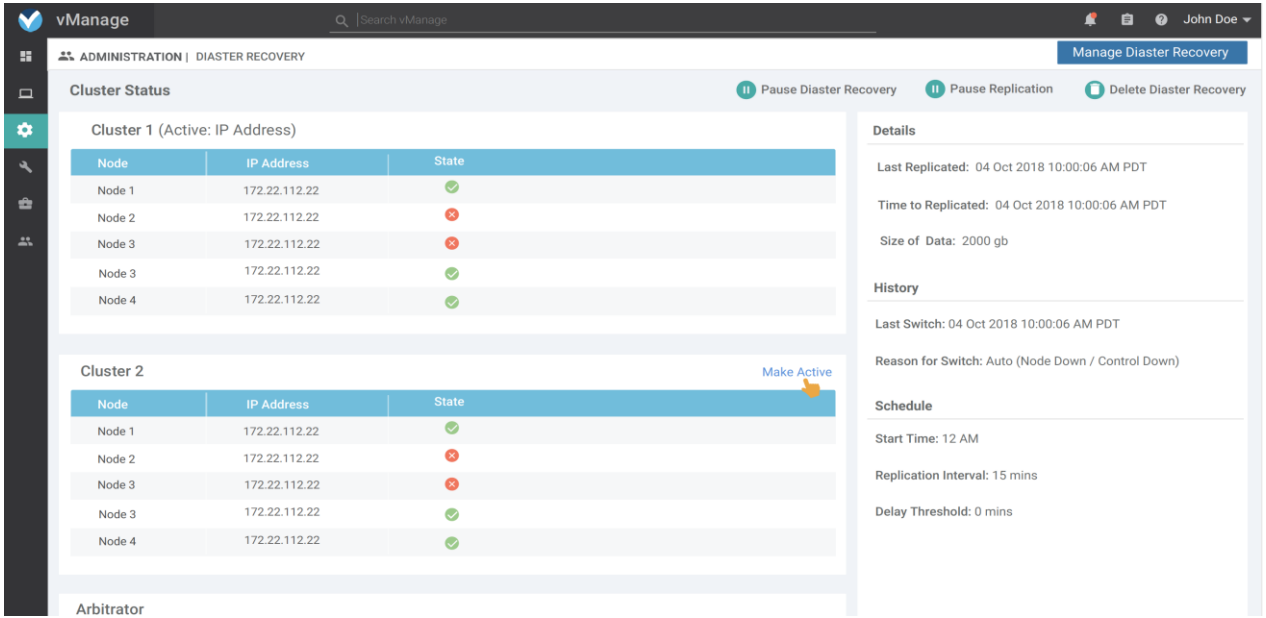
Netconf	Bidirectional	TCP	830
Consul	Bidirectional	TCP	18600, 18500, 18501, 18301, 18302, 18300

vManage Redundancy Configuration
Configure Standby Mode and DB Synchronization



Cisco SD-WAN
The Control Plane

Overlay Management Protocol

High Level Description

- Path Vector Routing Protocol specifically designed for overlay networks
- Natively Multiprotocol, Multipath and VPN/Segment Aware
- Peer Auto-discovery w/ Zero line config for basic operation
- Inherent Route Target Constraint Capability
- Automatic Distribution of targeted local routing
- Overlay and Legacy Domain Loop Avoidance capabilities
- Reliable and Secure Transport (SSL)
- Broad Attribute Support
  - Preference
  - Identification
  - Legacy Source Protocol Information
- Consistent Routing and Encryption Synchronization
- Multi-domain capable

Overlay Management Protocol

Distribution of Routing Information for Topology-driven Routing

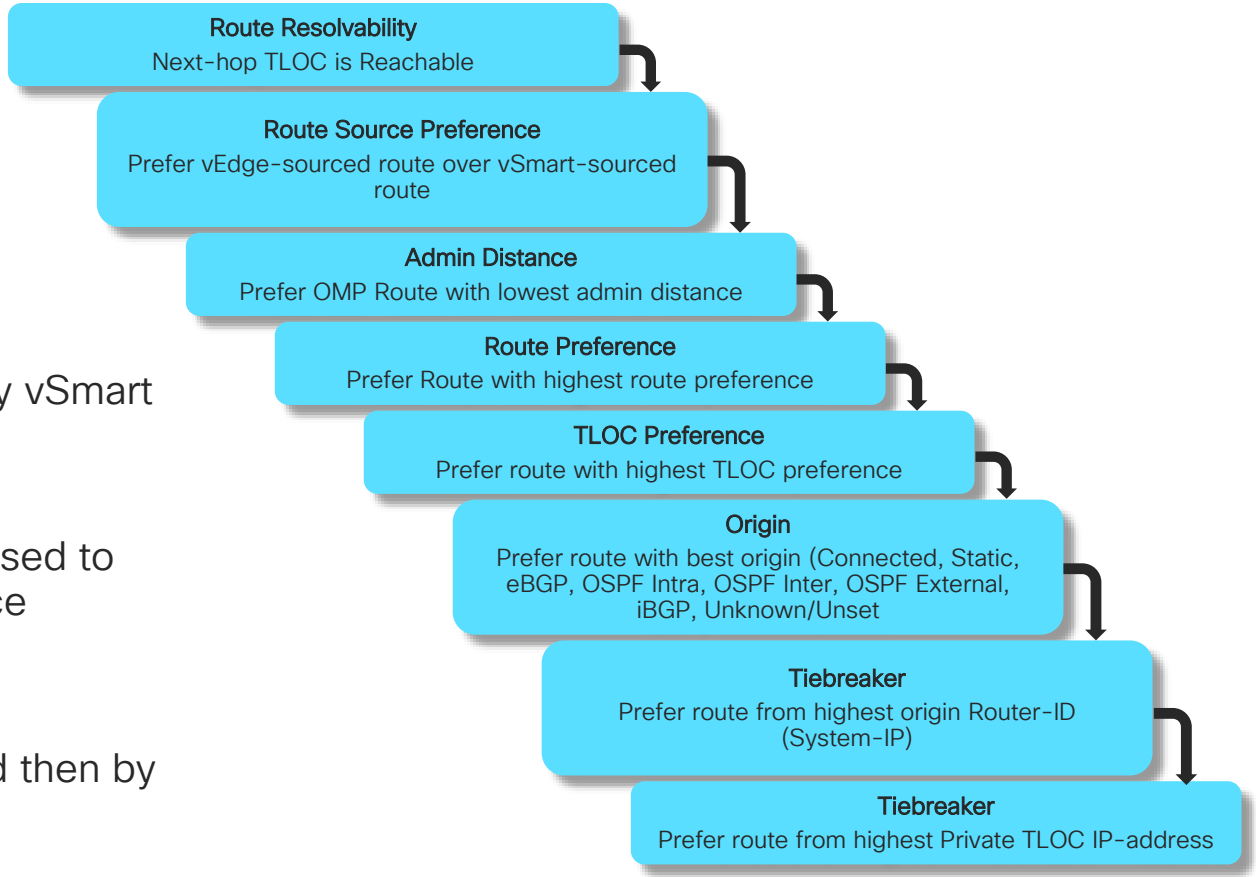
vRoutes	TLOCs	Services	Policies
Branch Routing into Overlay Routing + Attributes	WAN Attachment: Private IP/Public IP Color / Encap Encryption Keys + Attributes	Services: Type of Service Location (TLOC) Forwarding Information	Data Policy App-Route Policy VPN Membership cFlowd Template

Distribution of Routing Information and Policies subject to endpoint push

Updates sent only on changes – Routing engine operates as with existing protocols (BGP)

Overlay Management Protocol

Path Selection



- Default: 4 paths advertised by vSmart

```
omp
 Send-path-limit [1-16]
```

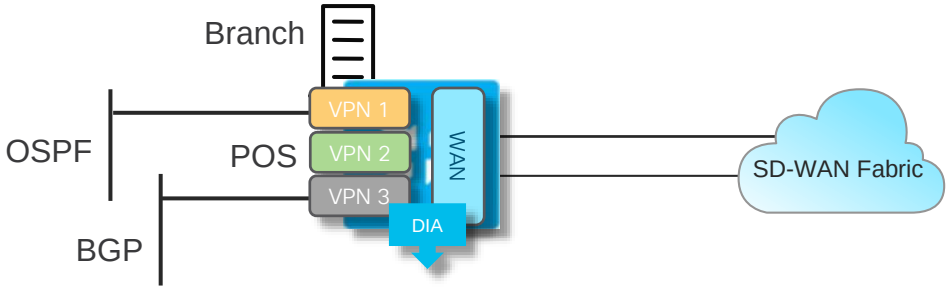
- Backup routes can be advertised to vEdges for faster convergence

```
omp
 Send-backup-paths
```

- Origin by Admin Distance and then by Protocol Cost / Metric

Dynamic Routing for VPN Segments

OMP Overlay Routing in relation to local Routing




```
vpn 1
 router
  ospf
   redistribute omp
   area 0
    interface ge0/3
    exit
   exit
  !
 !
```

```
vpn 3
 router
  bgp 123
   address-family ipv4-unicast
    redistribute omp
   !
   neighbor 1.1.1.1
    no shutdown
    remote-as 321
   !
```

No redistribution of OMP into OSPF/BGP is enabled by default

Global: Generic setting for node

VPN Specific: Overrides Global

Node Global OMP Configuration

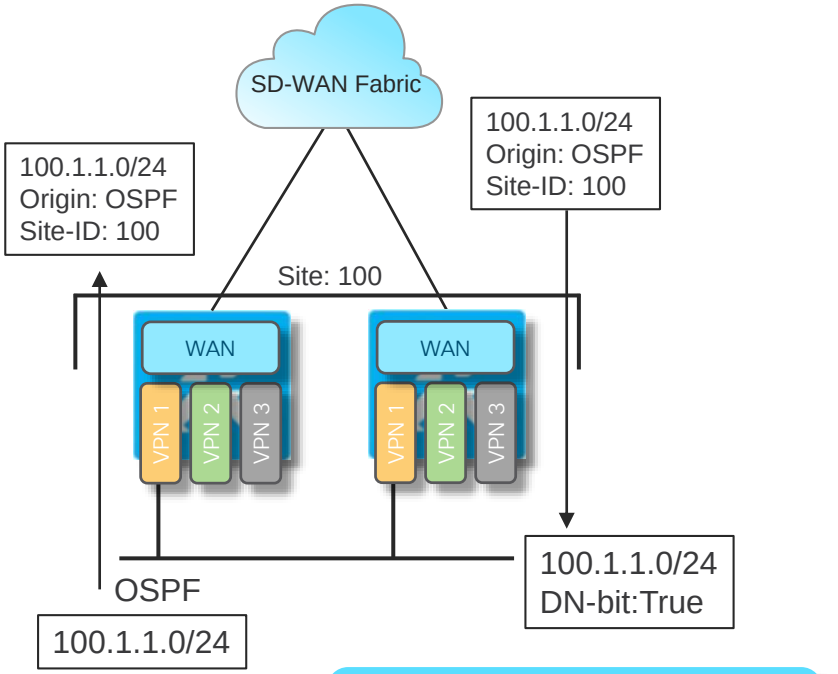
```
omp
 no shutdown
 graceful-restart
 advertise bgp
 advertise connected (default)
 advertise ospf external
 advertise static (default)
```

VPN Specific OMP Configuration

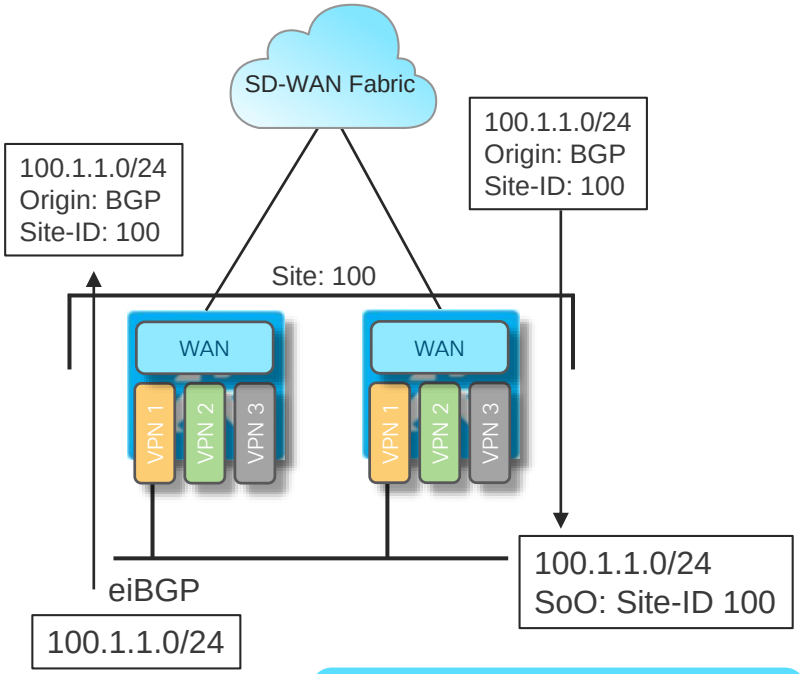
```
vpn 1
 omp
  advertise aggregate <prefix>
  advertise bgp
  advertise connected
  advertise network <prefix>
  advertise ospf external
  advertise static
```

SD-WAN Overlay Routing

LAN Side Routing Loop Avoidance



OSPF:
Set DN-bit for any redistributed prefix from OMP to OSPF

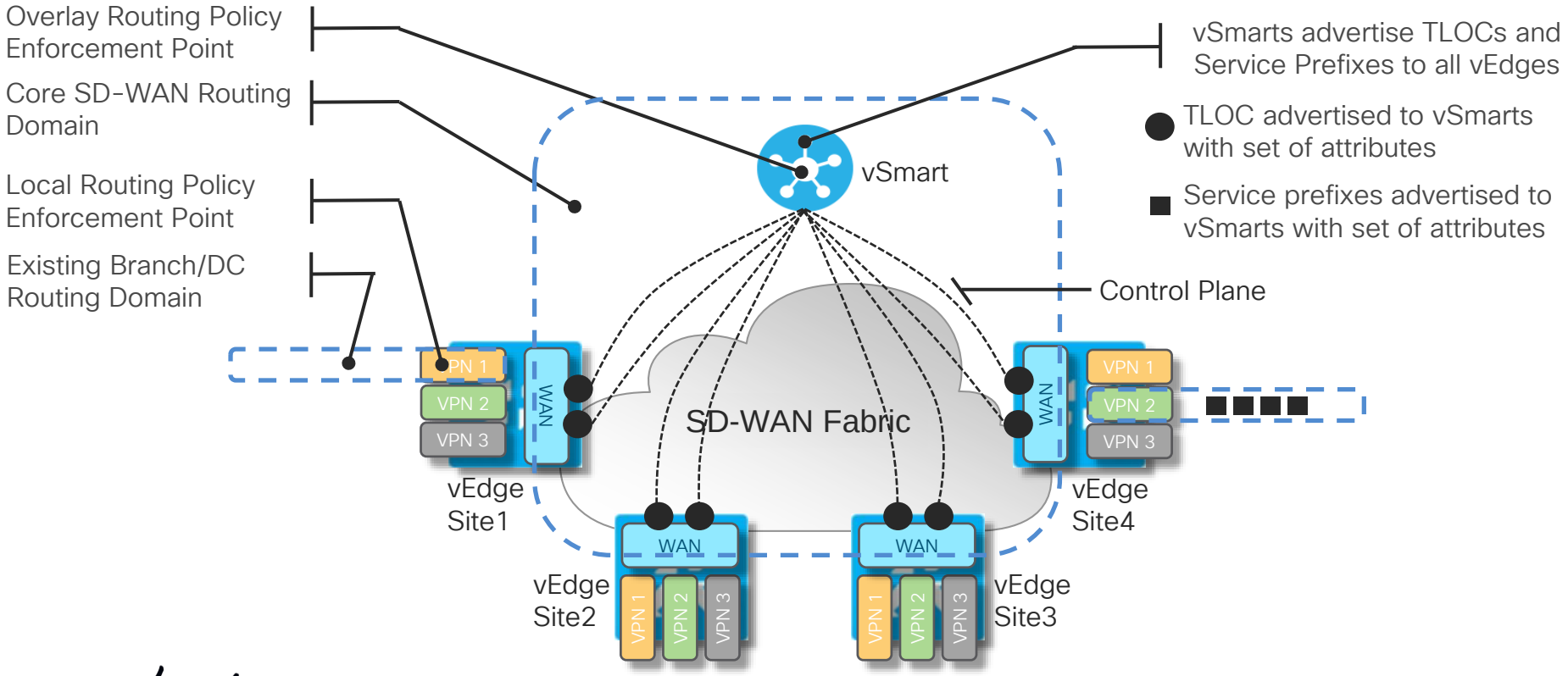


BGP:
Set SoO to indicate Site-of-Origin for OMP to BGP

Cisco SD-WAN Overlay Routing - Design Considerations

Cisco SD-WAN Overlay Routing

Multi-domain Routing Fabric



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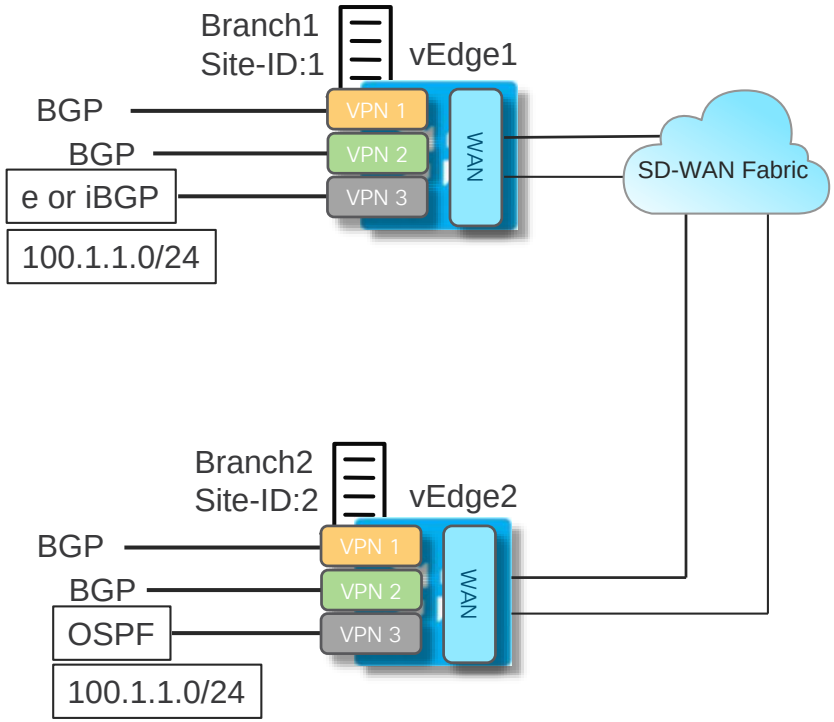
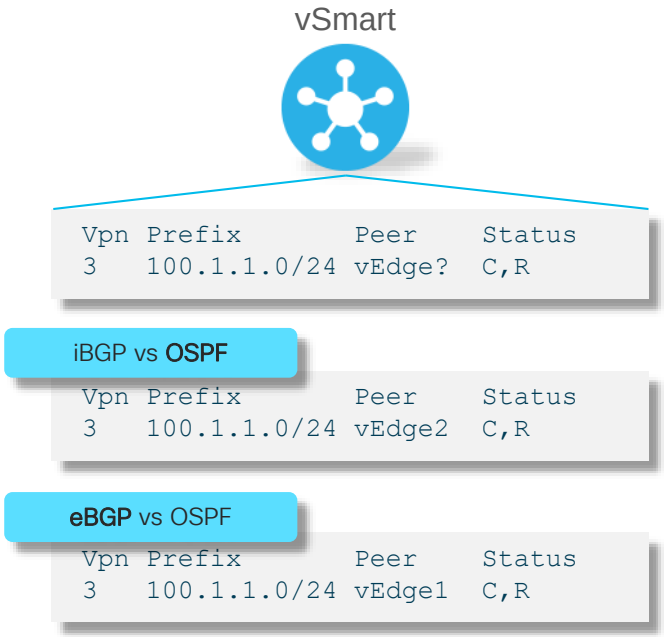
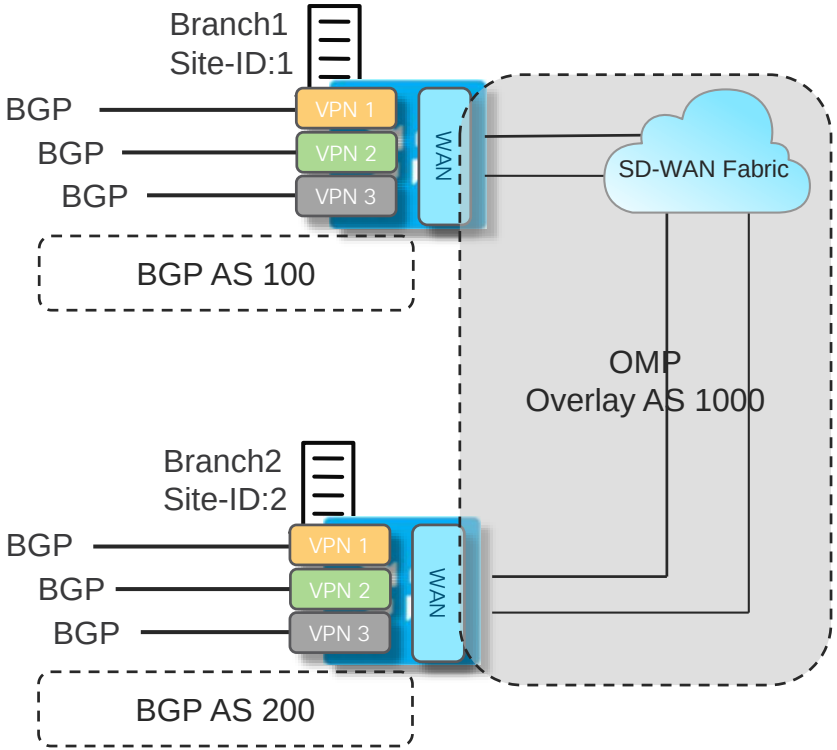




SD-WAN Overlay Routing

Overlay AS / Propagate AS




```
omp
 overlay-as 1000
```

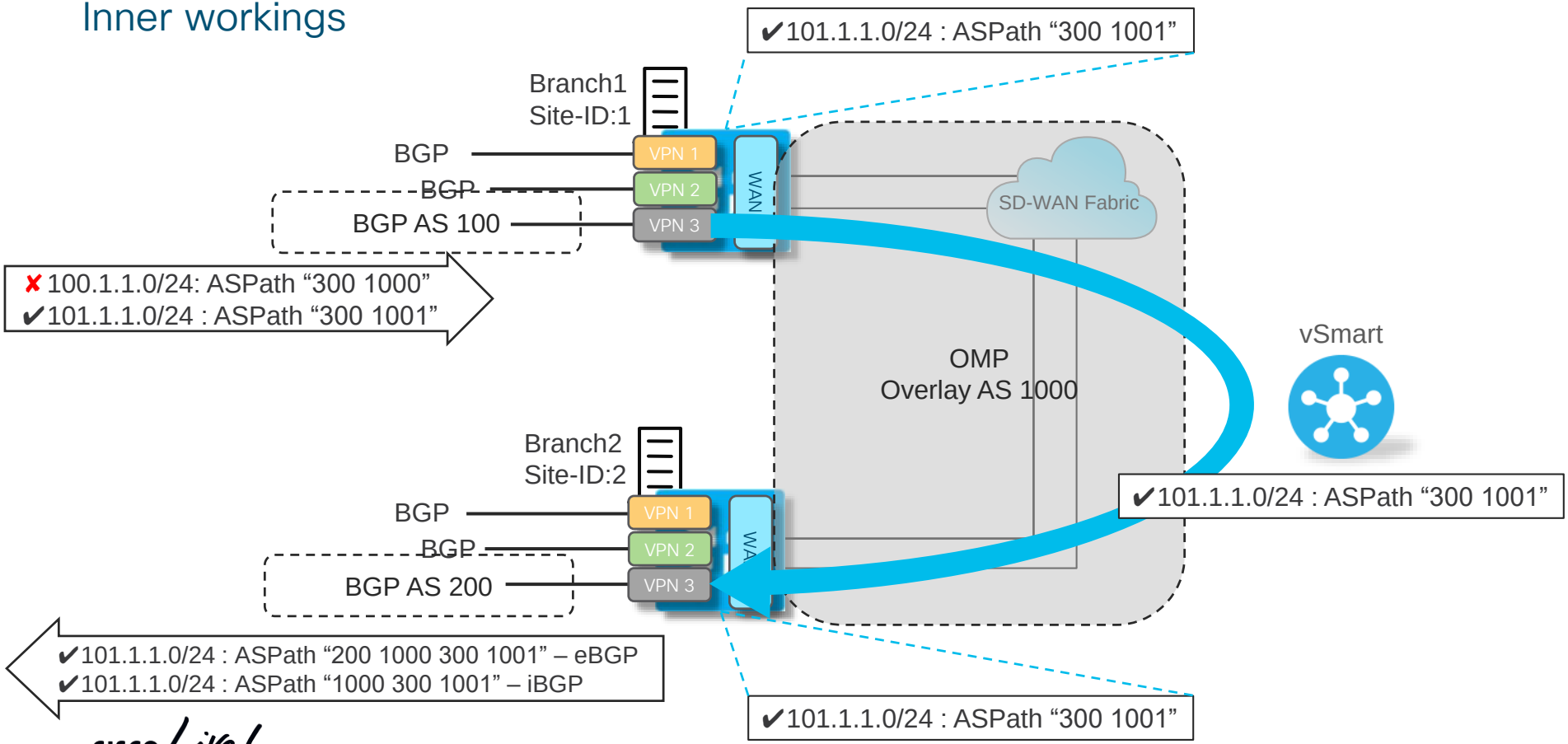
- Overlay AS used to assign an AS to the OMP Domain
- OMP AS is inserted into the AS-path when advertised downstream (iBGP + eBGP)
- Effective tool to ensure loop prevention by using existing BGP behavior

```
vpn 1
 router bgp <as>
  propagate-aspath
```

- Propagate-aspath enables propagation of AS-path for BGP prefixes across OMP domain

Overlay Routing – Overlay AS / Propagate AS

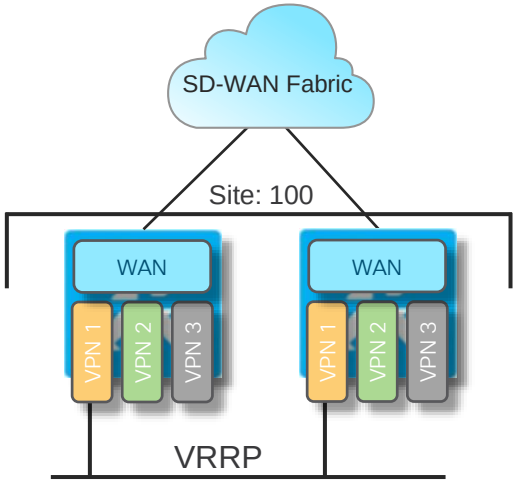
Inner workings



Site Design

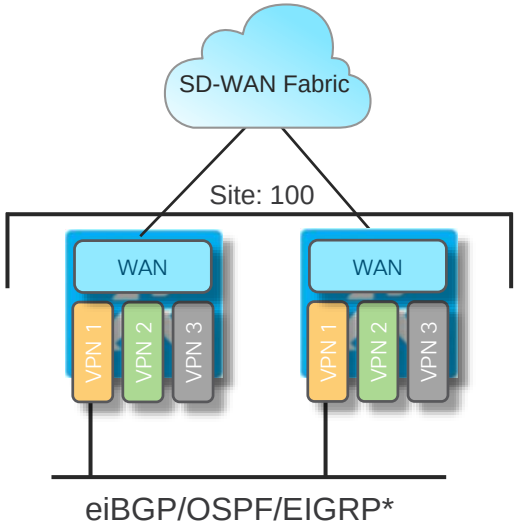
Site Redundancy

Bridged vs Routed LAN



- Layer 2 Site uses VRRP per Segment
- RFC5798 Compliant
- OMP and Prefix upstream tracking

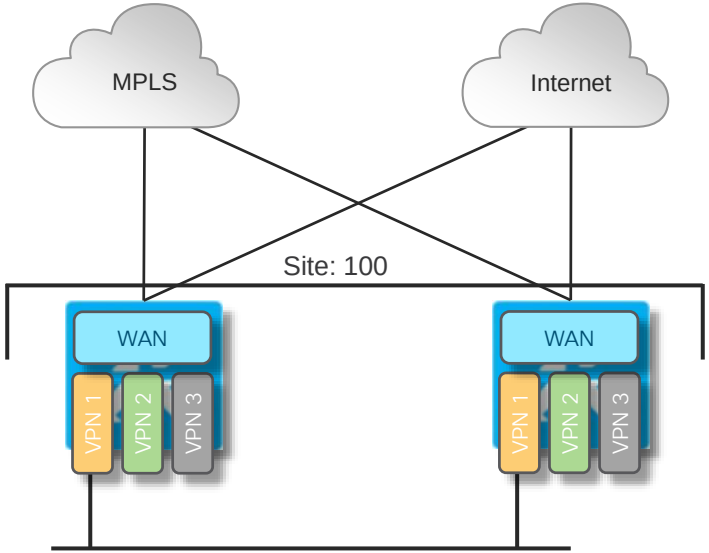
- Layer 3 Site uses L3 dynamic routing per Segment
- *EIGRP is IOS-XE Only
- Mutual OMP/LAN Distribution must be enabled if required



- Loop Avoidance via OSPF DN or BGP SoO
- Multi-pathing as provided by Routing
- WAN Multi-pathing enabled by default
- Site-ID should be identical across same site routers
- Control Policy to manage WAN path priority
- Local Policy for LAN Routing requirements

Site Redundancy

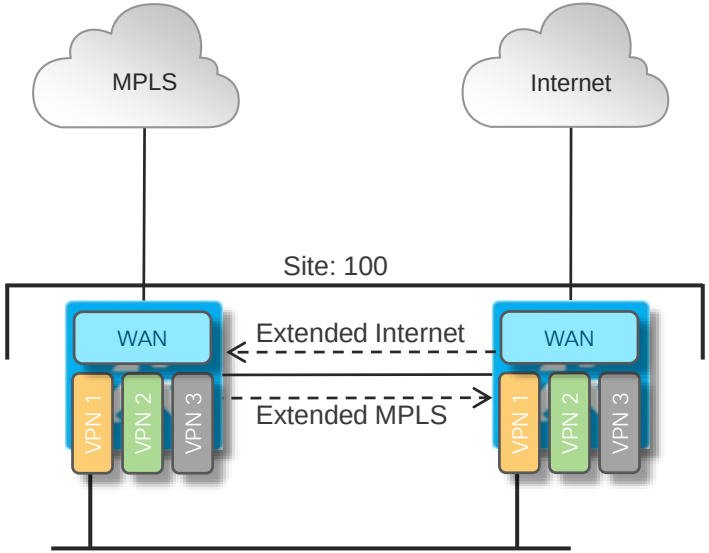
Meshed WAN Transport Attach



- All Transports directly attached to every node in branch
- Each node manages WAN control and data plane independently
- Only simple static default routing required for each transport
- WAN Dynamic Routing also supported is required (usually for certain MPLS providers)

Site Redundancy

Extended WAN Transport Attach aka TLOC Extension

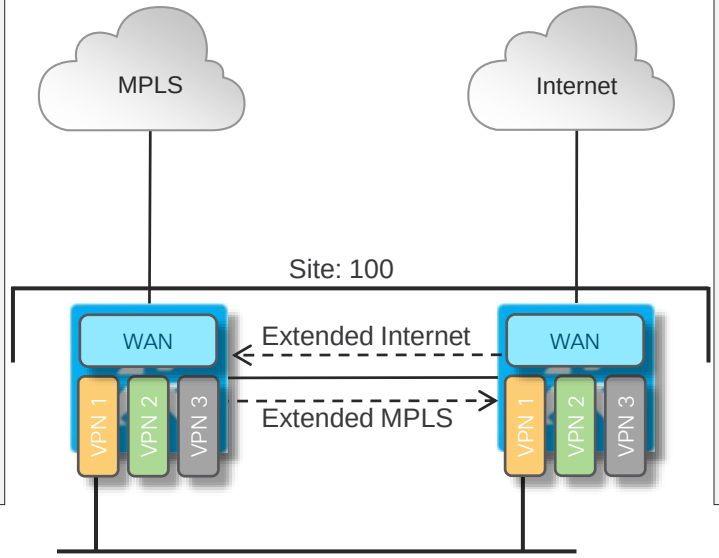


- Directly attached Transport extended to neighboring node
- Each node manages WAN control and data plane independently
- Routing through neighbor for extended TLOC
- L2 or L3 (IOS-XE Only) extension
  - vEdge: L2
  - cEdge: L2 or L3 (GRE)
- Discrete links or 802.1Q can be used between neighbors

Site Redundancy using TLOC Extension

Configuration Example

```
vpn 0
 interface ge0/0
  tunnel-interface
   color mpls
  !
 !
 interface ge0/1.10
  tunnel-interface
   color biz-internet
  !
 !
 interface ge0/1.20
  tloc-extension ge0/0
 !
 ip route 0.0.0.0/0 <nhop on ge0/0>
 ip route 0.0.0.0/0 <nhop on ge0/1.10>
```



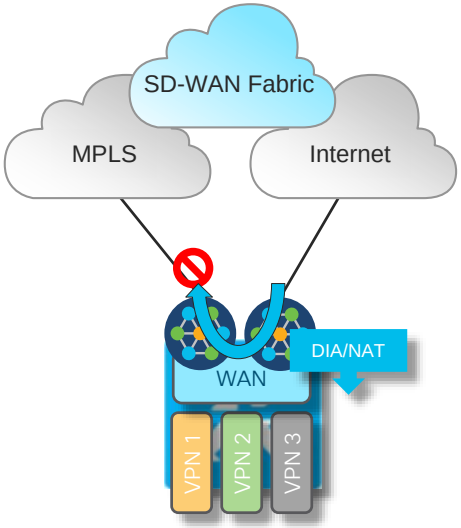

```
vpn 0
 interface ge0/0
 nat
 tunnel-interface
  color biz-internet
  !
 !
 interface ge0/1.10
  tloc-extension ge0/0
 !
 interface ge0/1.20
  tunnel-interface
   color mpls
  !
 !
 ip route 0.0.0.0/0 <nhop on ge0/0>
 ip route 0.0.0.0/0 <nhop on ge0/1.20>
```

Return traffic is handled by advertising the TLOC subnet (ge0/1.10) to MPLS

Return traffic is handled by NAT on ge0/0

SD-WAN Edge Security Site Design

Various Integration Options

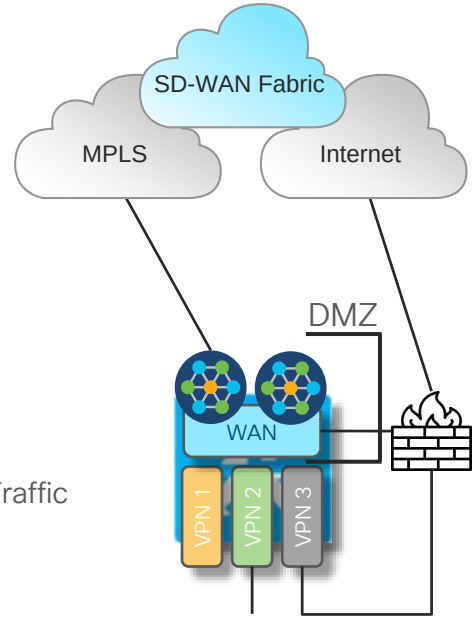


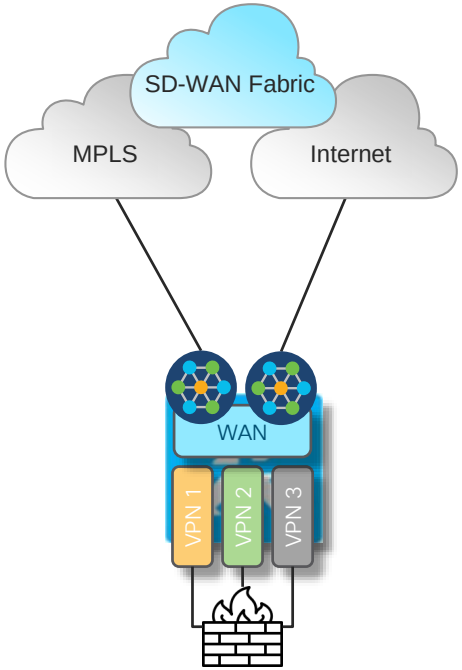
Fabric Security
- Secures TLOC Attachment
- Prevents vEdge Transit / Inter-TLOC Traffic

DIA/NAT

Local vEdge NAT for DIA
- Port Restricted NAT
- vEdge Zone Based Firewall Protection

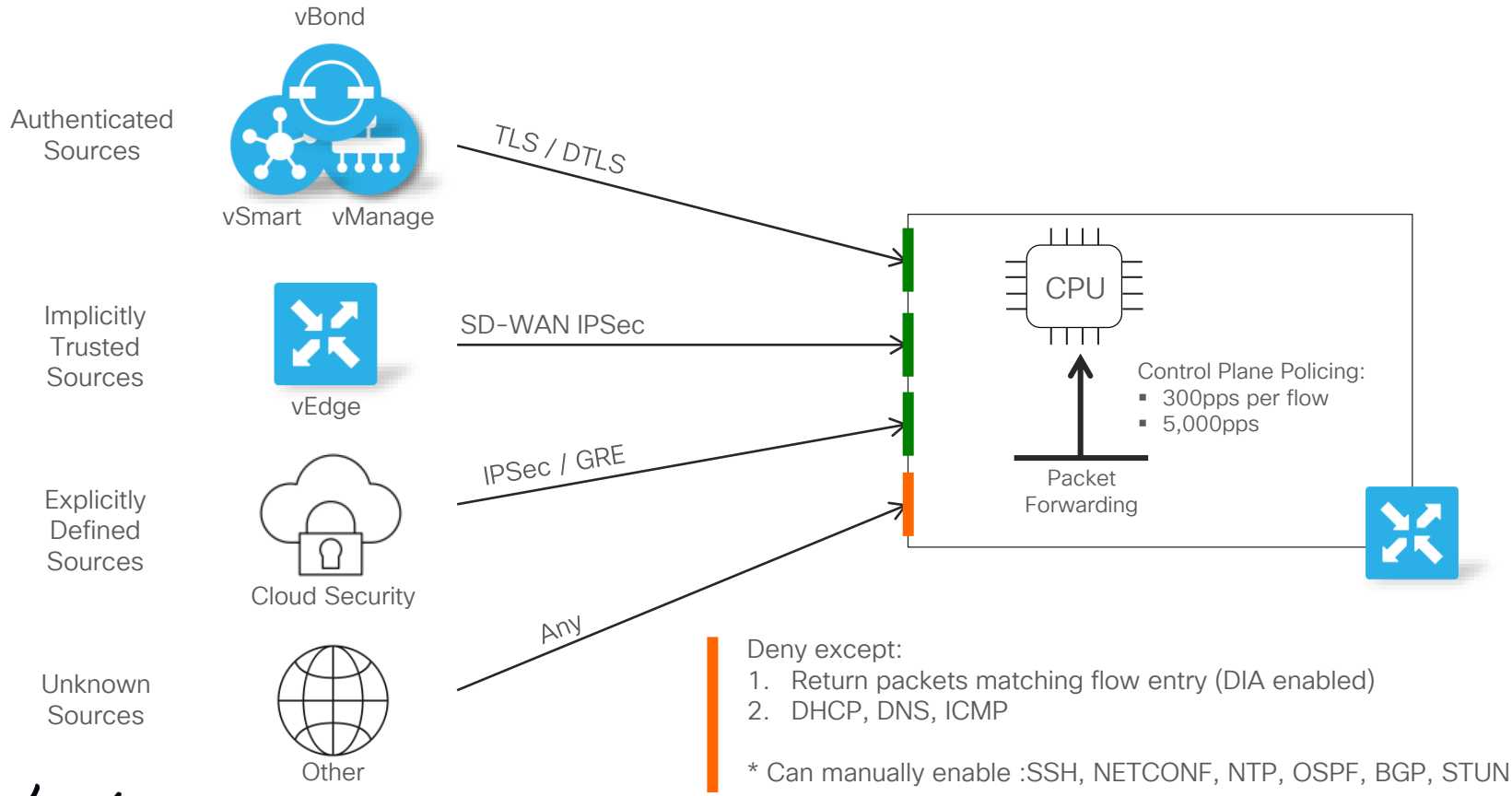
External Firewall for Internet Circuits
- FW provides NAT / vEdge does NAT traversal
- FW could be In / Offline for internal connectivity



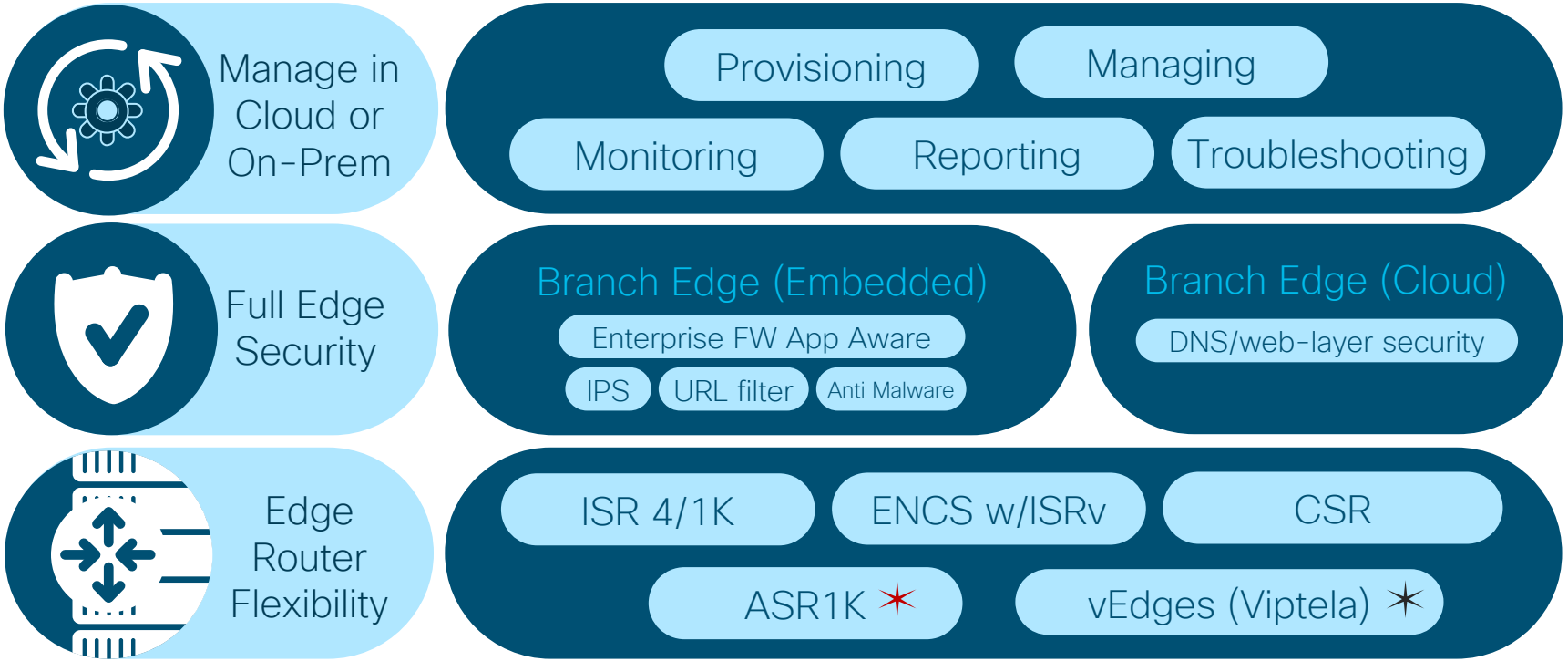


Service-side Firewall
- Built-in ZBFW / App-Layer FW equivalent
- External FW Securing the internal network

WAN Edge Fabric Security Capabilities



SD-WAN Security



✶ Only App Aware FW and DNS/web-layer security ✶ Only FW and DNS/web-layer security

LTE Design and Deployment Options

LTE Design and Deployment Options

- Active LTE as a standard TLOC
  - Reduce control and management traffic
- Active LTE as a low bandwidth circuit
  - Reduce control/management traffic and synchronize for quite period to meet M2M requirements
- LTE as a gateway of Last Resort
  - LTE circuit is down and brought up when all other transports are down
- LTE as the ONLY circuit
  - Reduce control and management traffic plus disable many stats collection from vManage

Generic Guidelines for LTE

Reduction in control traffic

1. Control Plane Hello Interval

```
vpn 0
interface <name>
tunnel-interface hello-interval <ms>
```

Range: 100-600000 milliseconds (10 minutes)
Default: 1000 milliseconds (1 second)

2. BFD hello timer can be extended to 5 minutes

```
bfd
color <color> hello-interval <ms>
```

Range: 100-300000 milliseconds (5 minutes)
Default: 1000 milliseconds (1 second)

3. Ensure LTE is not preferred for vManage communication

```
vpn 0
interface <name>
tunnel-interface
vmanage-connection-preference <n>
```

Range: 0 through 8
Default: 5

For an LTE-only device
Ensure vManage collection of (high-volume) statistics is disabled

LTE Operation
Last Resort Circuit

- LTE interface is kept down when other transport interfaces are up

```
vpn 0
interface <name>
tunnel-interface
last-resort-circuit
```

- Convergence time - Bring-up triggered when all other WAN links are down
  - Time for bfd failure detection on other transports [7 sec]
  - Time to bring LTE up and operational (IP assigned)
  - Bring up control connections on LTE [20-30 sec]
  - Bring up BFD/IPSec connections [5-10 sec]

LTE Operation
Low-Bandwidth Circuit

- LTE interface synchronizes the control and BFD traffic
- Provides long quite periods to meet M2M requirements
- LTE circuit releases the channel during that time

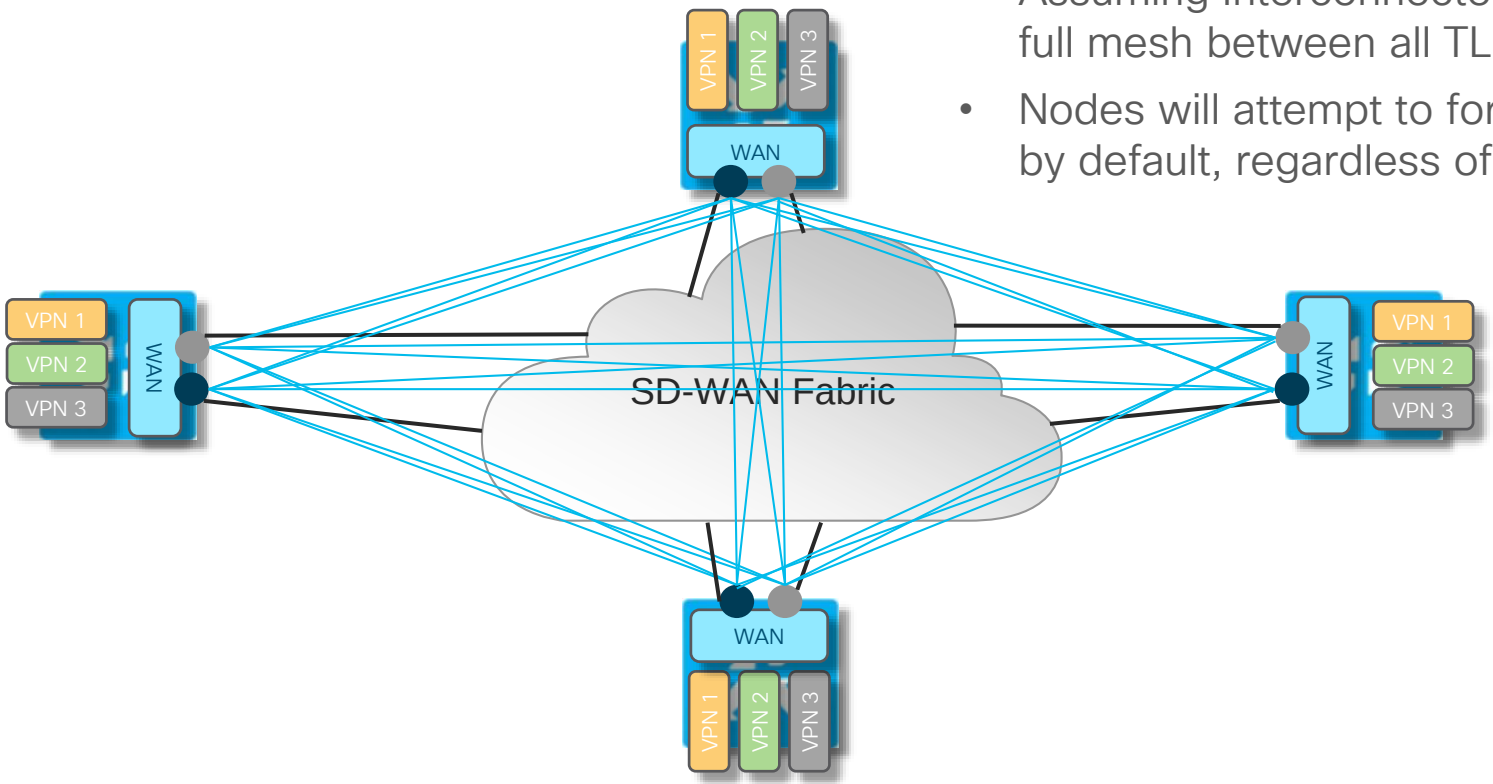
```
vpn 0
interface <name>
tunnel-interface
low-bandwidth-link
```

  - This configuration command is relevant only for a spoke vEdge router in a hub-and-spoke deployment scenario
  - On the spoke router only
  - on such links, application-aware routing data is collected only when user data is transmitted from the LAN to the WAN, to reduce BFD traffic on the link

Cisco SD-WAN Data Plane – Design Considerations

Cisco SD-WAN Data Plane

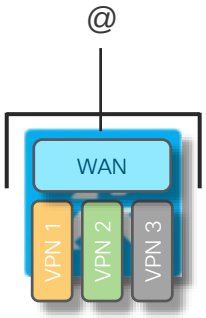
Default Mode of Operation



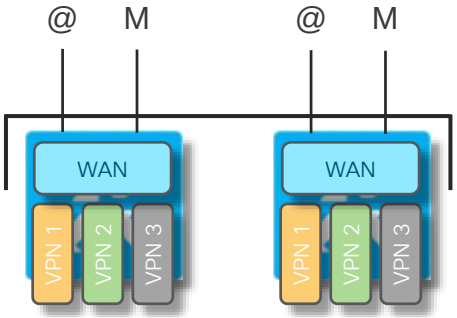
- Assuming Interconnected underlays, full mesh between all TLOCs
- Nodes will attempt to form full mesh by default, regardless of TLOC color

Customer design – Site Types and Connectivity

Data Plane Design Example



Single



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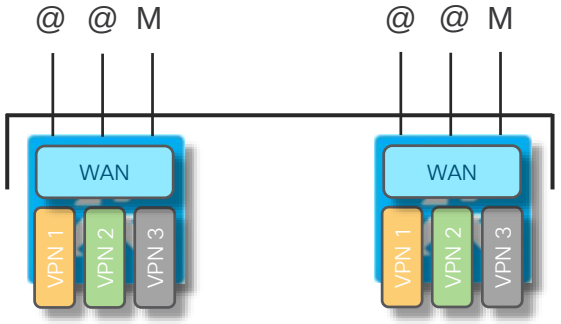

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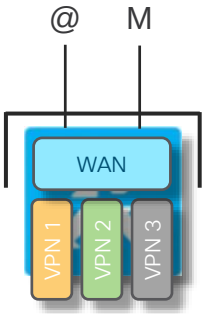

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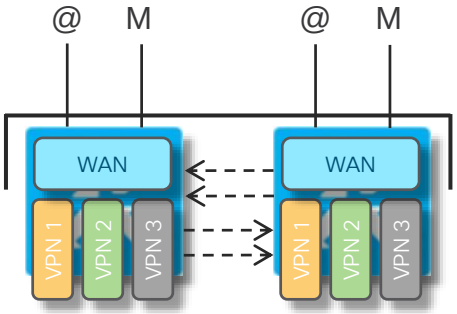

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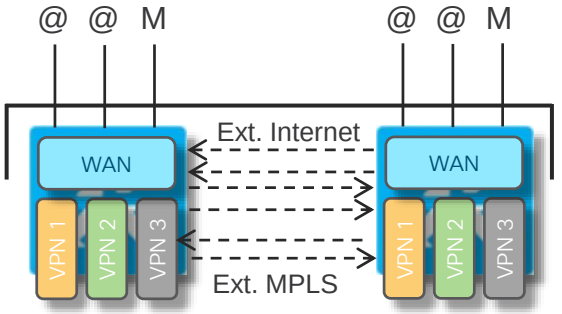

DC/Regional
TLOC-Extension

BFD / Tunnel Consumption by Site Type

Customer Deployment Example

Site Type	Devices	Internet Links	MPLS Links	TLOCs	TLOC Extension	Colors
Single	1	1	0	1	No	1
Single Redundant	1	1	1	2	No	2
Dual	2	2	2	4	No	4
Dual TLOC Extension	2	2	2	8	Yes	4
DC	2	4	2	6	No	6
DC TLOC Extension	2	4	2	12	Yes	6

Source: Cisco Internal i.e. Stefan

BFD / Tunnel Consumption by Site Type

Consumption with Default Configuration

Site Type	Single	Single Redundant	Dual	Dual TLOC Extension	DC	DC TLOC Extension
Single	1/1	2/2	4/4	8/8	6/6	12/12
Single Redundant	2/2	4/4	8/8	16/16	12/12	24/24
Dual	4/4	8/8	16/16	32/32	24/24	48/48
Dual TLOC Extension	8/8	16/16	32/32	64/64	48/48	96/96
DC	6/6	12/12	24/24	48/48	36/36	72/72
DC TLOC Extension	12/12	24/24	48/48	96/96	72/72	144/144

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SD-WAN Data Plane Design

Tools and Techniques for defining data plane connectivity

Color Restrict

- Limit Data Plane Establishment to TLOCs of the Same Color
- Simple configuration knob that effectively limits data plane connectivity

TLOC Groups (new in 19.1 (vEdge) / 16.11.2 (cEdge))

- Configure groups that determine actual data plane topology
- Can be combined with restrict
- Define groups based on site type and connectivity requirements for scalable rollout

Control Policy

- A control policy allows for TLOC filtering and reassignments
- Can be combined with TLOC Groups and Restrict if needed
- Ultimate control over TLOC distribution, visibility, preference and connectivity model

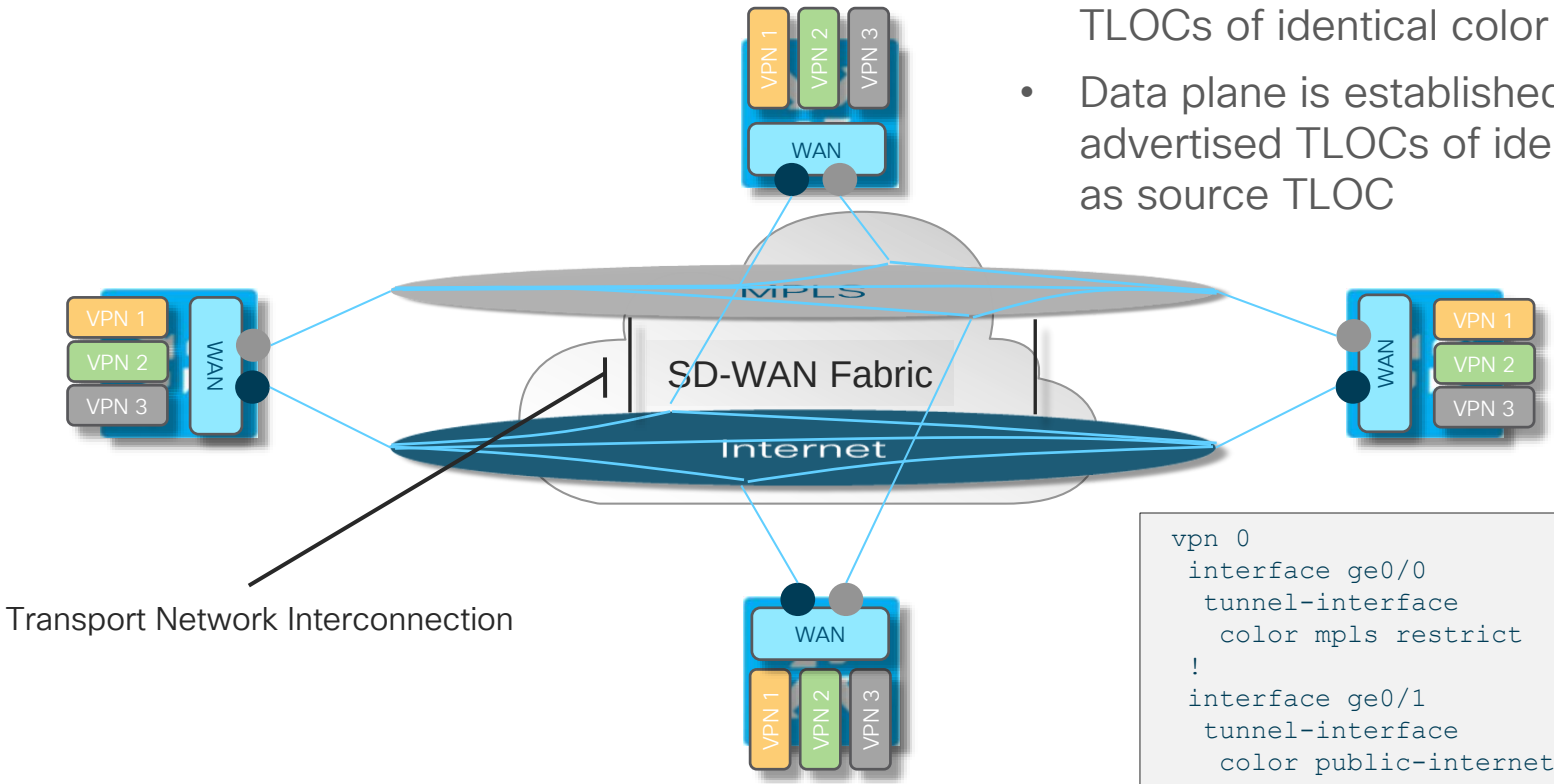
Cisco SD-WAN Data Plane

Color Restrict

MPLS TLOC — Physical Link

Internet TLOC — Tunnel

- Limits data plane connectivity to TLOCs of identical color
- Data plane is established to all OMP advertised TLOCs of identical color as source TLOC




```
vpn 0
 interface ge0/0
  tunnel-interface
   color mpls restrict
 !
 interface ge0/1
  tunnel-interface
   color public-internet restrict
```

BFD / Tunnel Consumption by Site Type

Consumption with Restrict Configuration

Site Type	Single	Single Redundant	Dual	Dual TLOC Extension	DC	DC TLOC Extension
Single	1/1	1/1	1/1	2/2	1/1	2/2
Single Redundant	1/1	2/2	2/2	4/4	2/2	4/4
Dual	1/1	2/2	4/4	8/8	4/4	8/8
Dual TLOC Extension	2/2	4/4	8/8	8/8	8/8	8/8
DC	1/1	2/2	4/4	8/8	6/6	12/12
DC TLOC Extension	2/2	4/4	8/8	8/8	12/12	12/12

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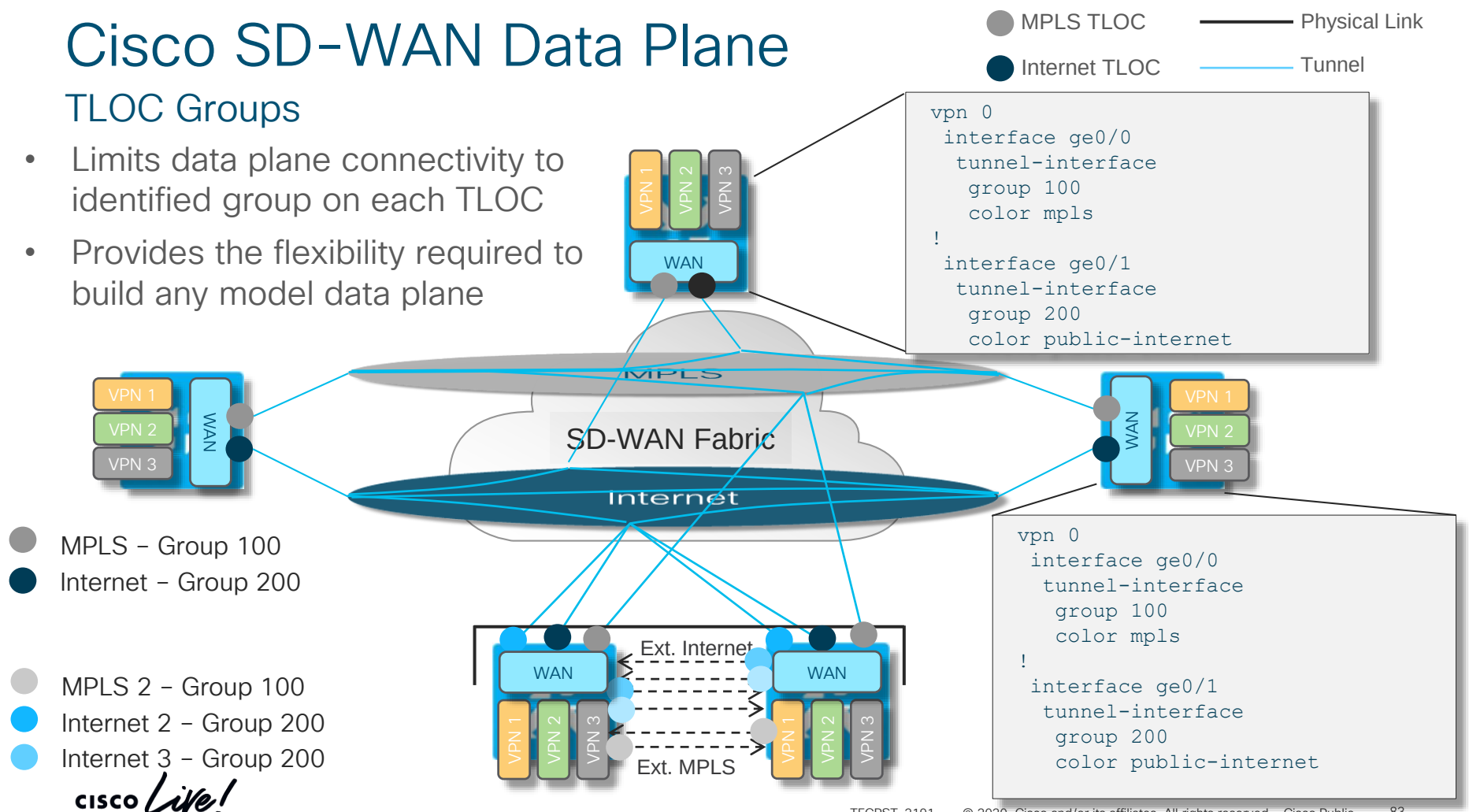
Cisco SD-WAN Data Plane

TLOC Groups

- Limits data plane connectivity to identified group on each TLOC
- Provides the flexibility required to build any model data plane



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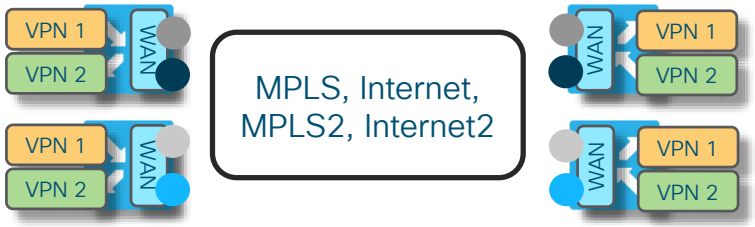
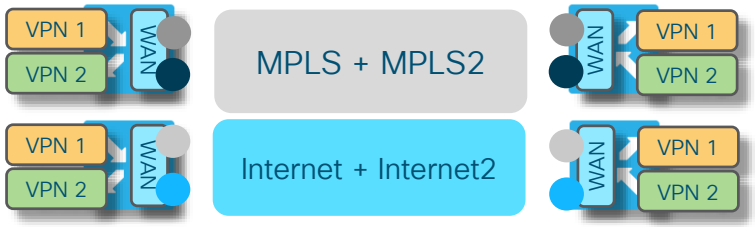
TLOC Groups and Restrict

Default Behavior – Full Mesh among all colors



MPLS and MPLS 2 with Group 100
Internet and Internet 2 with Group 200



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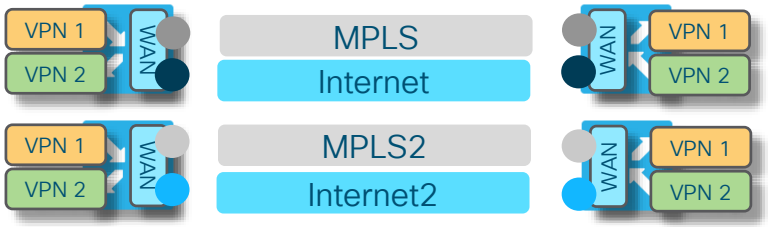
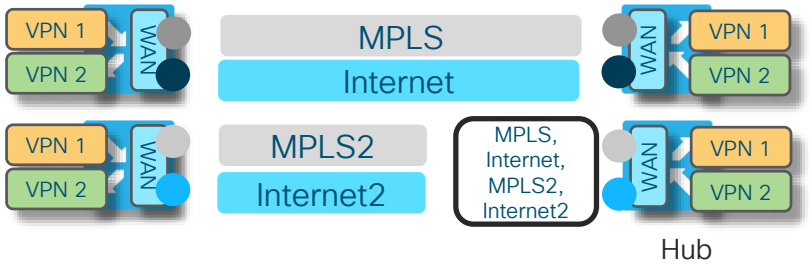


Restrict for all Colors
MPLS and MPLS 2 with Group 100
Internet and Internet 2 with Group 200
Hub with No Group – Promiscuous



MPLS – Group 100
Internet – Group 200
MPLS 2 – Group 100
Internet 2 – Group 200

Cisco SD-WAN Data Plane

TLOC Groups - When to Use

- In a given WAN Edge, a color can be used only once
- This makes for a challenge in networks with multiple MPLS or Internet connections where:
  - Centralized resources are required across branches
  - Those resources aren't connected to all underlay transports and consequently isn't present across all colors
- Restrict becomes too restrictive - limits data plane to single color
- Control Policy Filtering doesn't help overcome a requirement for per-color meshing combined with inter-color connectivity

Cisco SD-WAN Data Plane

Control Policy

- Control Policy can be used to:
  - Filter TLOCs to limit data plane peers per color
  - Re-assign TLOCs for vRoutes to adapt VPN connectivity to data plane
  - Assign priorities to influence path selection
- A Control Policy allows for controlling the distribution of TLOCs across the network along with attribute settings
  - TLOC present means data plane is established
  - TLOC attributes control load-balancing and path selection
- Control Policy Examples coming up

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Using TLOC Attributes

- Every TLOC is advertised with some quite powerful attributes
  - Encapsulation (IPsec and/or GRE) - can be referred to in Policy
  - Weight (Relative bandwidth to other TLOCs on the originating node)

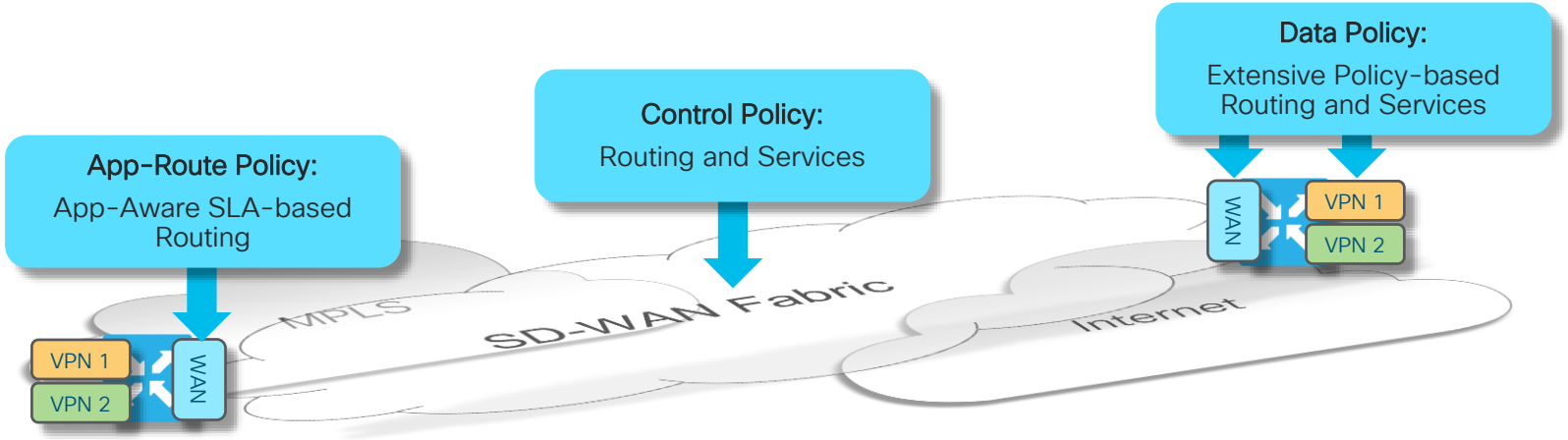
    Edge applies local and remote TLOC weight when load-balancing
  - Preference (Used in path selection)

```
vpn 0
 interface ge0/0
  tunnel-interface
   encapsulation gre preference 100 weight 10
   encapsulation ipsec preference 100 weight 10
  !
 !
!
```

Cisco SD-WAN Policy Framework - Overview

Cisco SD-WAN Policy Architecture

Suite of Policies to address different functional domains



- Control Policies are applied at vSmart: Tailors routing information advertised to vEdge endpoints
- App-Route Policies are applied at vEdge: SLA-driven path selection for applications
- Data Policies are applied at vEdge: Extensive Policy driven routing

Control Policies

Overlay Management Protocol Routing Policies

- Control policies are applied and executed on vSmart to influence routing in the Overlay domain
- Control policies filter or manipulate OMP Routing information to:
  - Enable services
  - Influence path selection
- Control Policies controls the following services:
  - Service Chaining
  - Traffic Engineering
  - Extranet VPNs
  - Service and Path affinity
  - Arbitrary VPN Topologies
  - and more …
- The Control Policy is one of the centralized and powerful tools in the Cisco SD-WAN toolbox

Data Policies

Policy-driven Routing and Service Enablement

- Data policies:
  - Applied on vSmart
  - Advertised to and executed on WAN Edge
- A Data policy acts on an entire VPN and is not interface-specific
- Data Policies are used to enable the following functions and services:
  - Application Pinning
  - NAT/DIA
  - Classification, Policing and Marking
  - and more …
- Use a Data Policy for any type of data plane centered traffic management

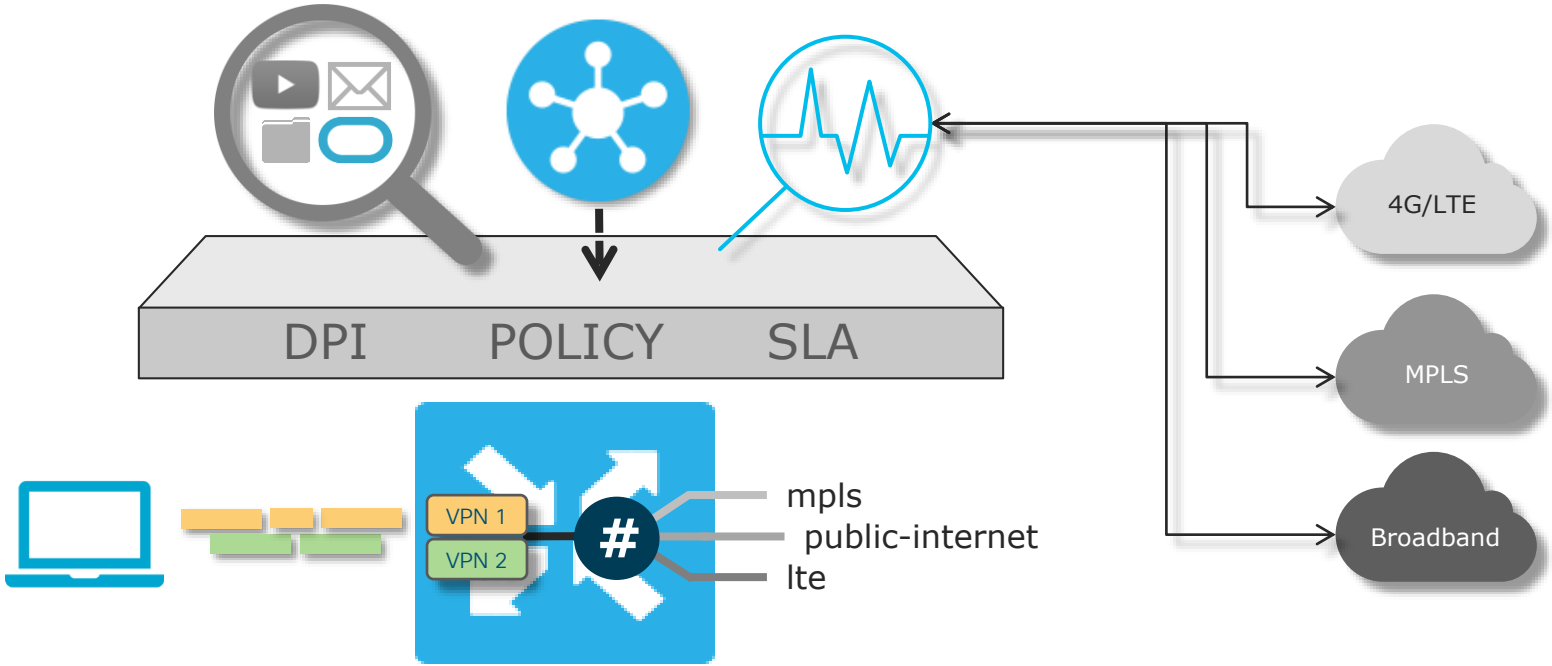
App-Route Policies

Centralized Policy for enabling SLA-driven routing on WAN Edge endpoints

- App-route policies:
  - Applied on vSmart
  - Advertised to and executed on WAN Edge
- Monitors SLAs for active overlay paths to direct Applications along qualified paths
- Allows for the use of L3/L4 keys or DPI Signatures for application identification
- Delivers a fully distributed SLA-driven routing mechanism

App-Aware Routing Policies

SLA-Driven Routing / Performance Routing



Cisco SD-WAN Policy Orchestration Process

1 vManage GUI – Policy Orchestration

Control Policy: Routing and Services

App-Route Policy: App-Aware SLA-based Routing

Data Policy: Extensive Policy-based Routing and Services

Combine and Apply per Site

2 vSmart controller – Policy Enforcement/Advertisement

Execute Control Policy

Advertise AAR/Data Policies to Sites

3 WAN Edge router – Policy Enforcement

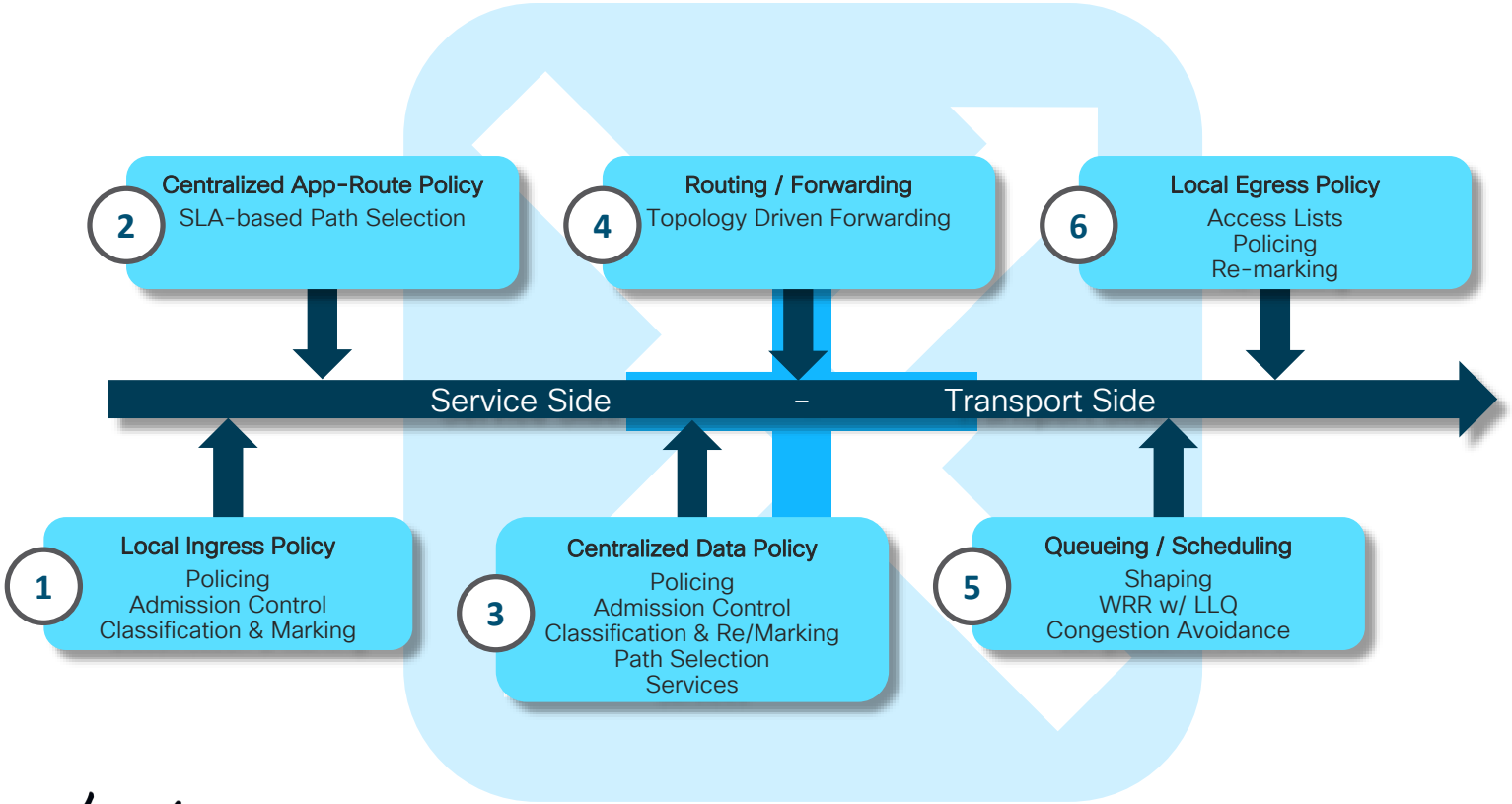
Execute AAR and Data Policy as received

Dynamic Routing and Policies Combine to dictate behavior

Service Side

Cisco SD-WAN Policy Execution

Topology-driven routing and Policy execution chain



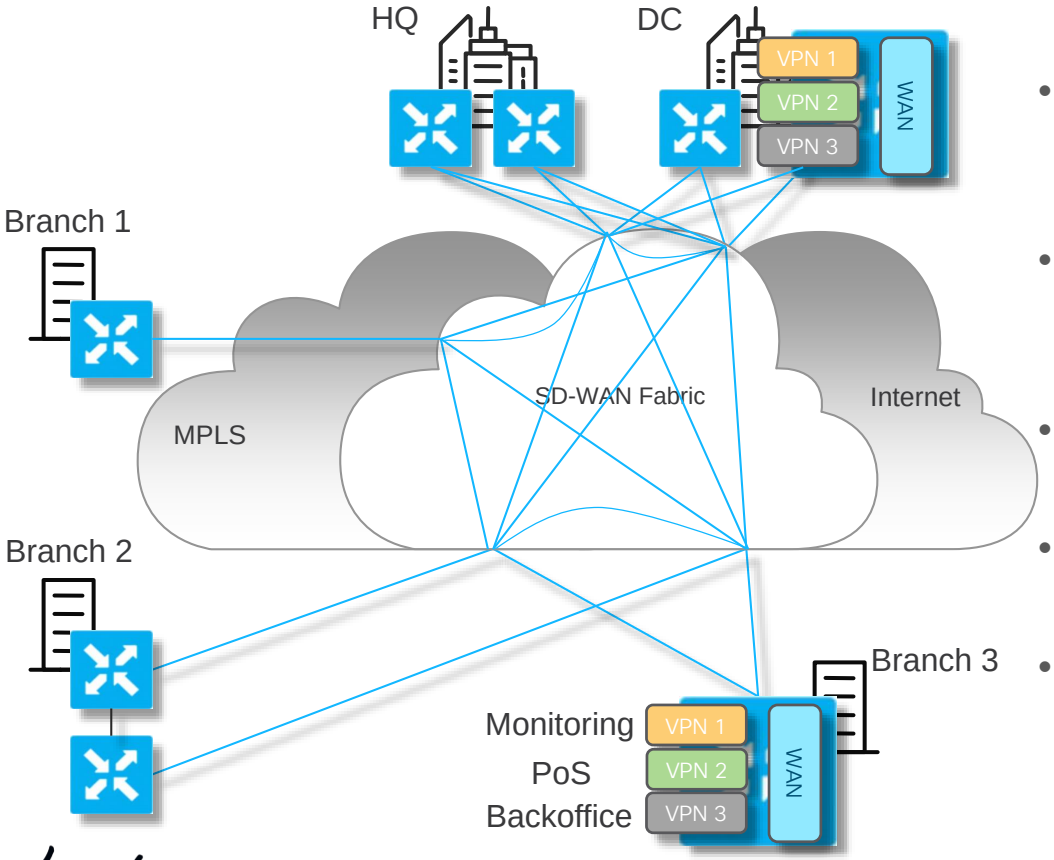
Cisco SD-WAN Common Overlay Design Options

Common **Designs** and Services

- Network Topologies and Connectivity Models
- Multiple Underlays with direct/indirect attach
- Primary and Backup path/resource definition
- Dis-contiguous Data Plane / Underlay Transport
- Multi-Domain Overlay with Regional meshing
- Mobile / LTE Attach

Network Topologies

Network Topologies – Review

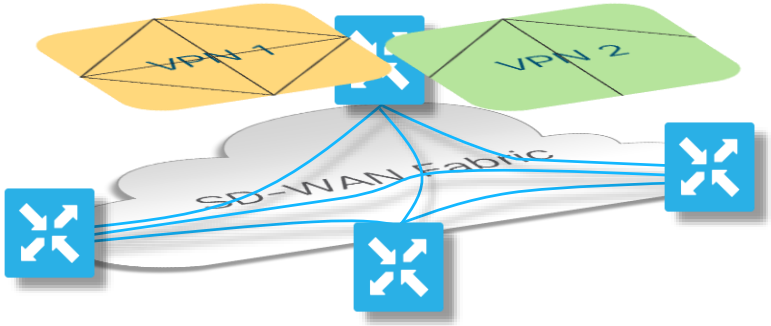


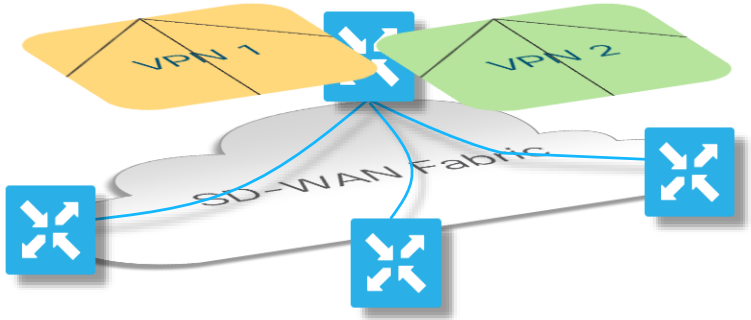
- A fully meshed Fabric Data plane and Service (VPN) plane is established by default
- This is done on the basis of TLOCs present in the OMP TLOC Table
- Every branch now has every other branch 1 hop away
- VPNs are advertised as an active service from every node
- vSmart applies route distribution constraints based on VPN service advertisements

Constructing Topologies – Data or VPN Plane

Capabilities

- Fabric Data Plane or Individual VPNs subject to specific topologies / connectivity models





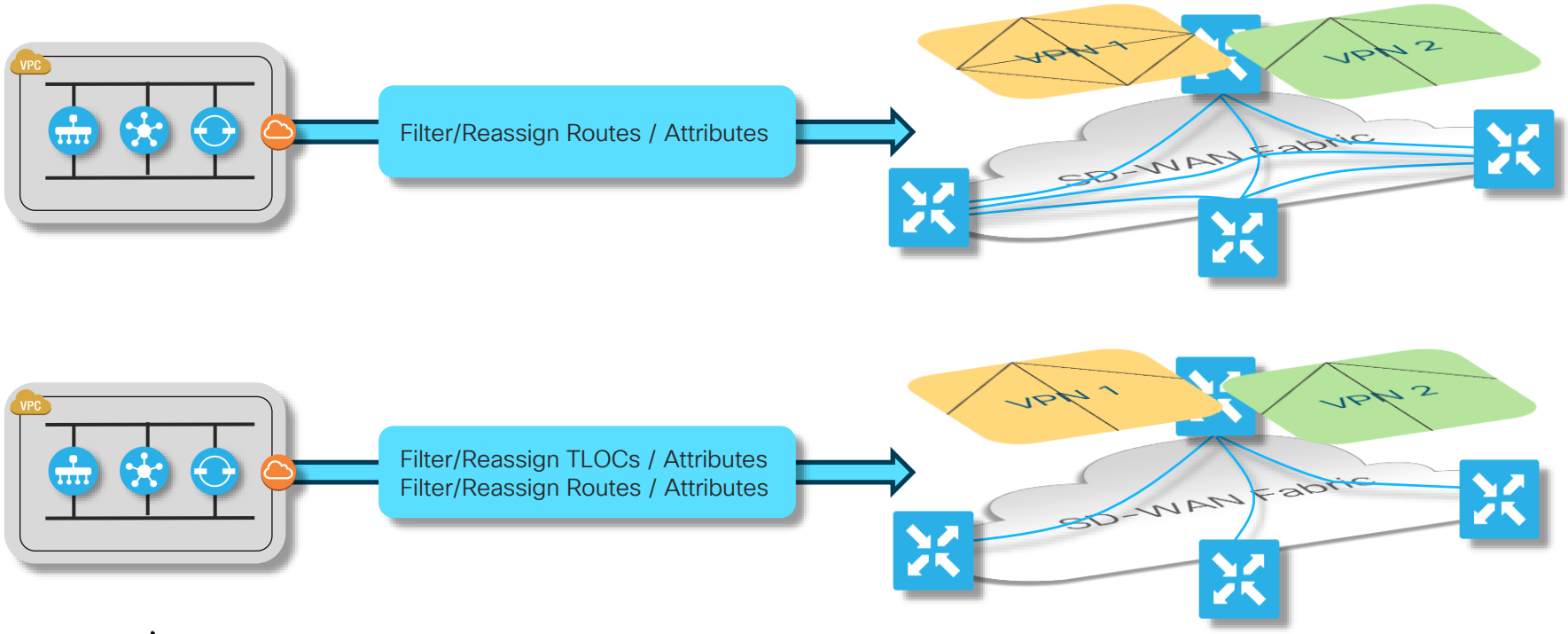
- Fully meshed fabric data plane
- Individual VPNs can use any topology

- Restricted fabric data plane
- Individual VPNs restricted to connectivity model used by underlying fabric

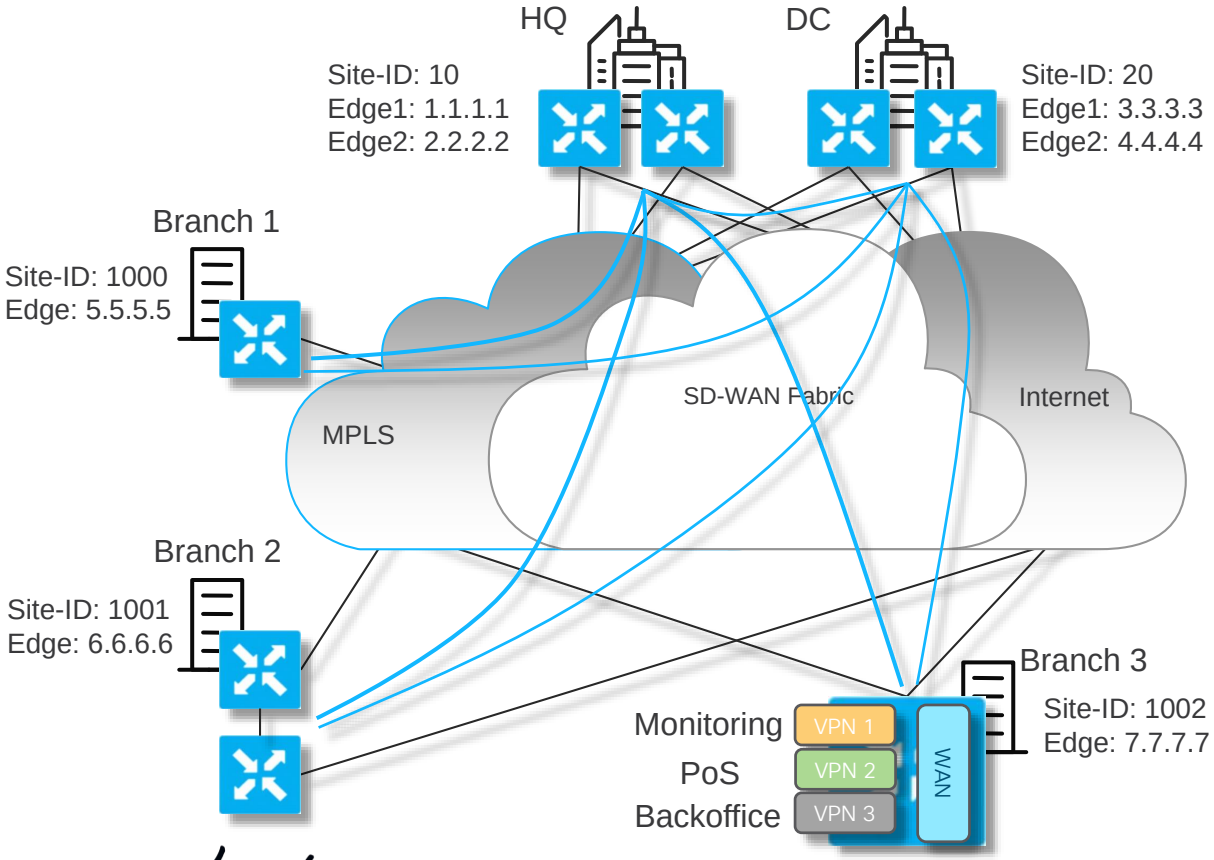
Constructing Topologies

Fabric Data Plane or VPN Plane Enforcement

- Data Plane or Individual VPNs subject to specific topologies / connectivity models



Hub-and-Spoke Design



- Topology can be applied to the Data Plane or individual VPNs as described
- Loose and Strict options are possible as well
  - Loose: Branch to Branch via hub/DC
  - Strict: Branch to hub only

Hub-and-Spoke Topologies

Fabric Data Plane and VPN Plane Control Policy

For Your Reference

```
Policy
 lists
  tloc-list hub-site_tlocs
   tloc 1.1.1.1 color biz-internet encap ipsec preference 100
   tloc 1.1.1.1 color mpls encap ipsec preference 50
   tloc 3.3.3.3 color biz-internet encap ipsec preference 100
   tloc 3.3.3.3 color mpls encap ipsec preference 50
  !
  site-list branch_sites
   site-id 1000-2000
  !
  site-list hub_sites
   site-id 1-100
  !
 !
```

1 Define Hub Site TLOC-list

2 Declare Branches

3 Declare Hubs

```
apply-policy
 site-list branch_sites
  control-policy restricted_data_plane out
 !
!
```

5 Apply Policy to the target site-list

```
Policy
 control-policy restricted_data_plane
  sequence 10
   match tloc
    site-list hub_sites
   !
   action accept
   !
  !
  sequence 20
   match route
    site-list branch_sites
   !
   action accept
    set
     tloc-list hub_site_tlocs
    !
   !
  !
  sequence 30
   match tloc
   !
   action reject
   !
  !
  default-action accept
```

4 Define the Control Policy

Advertise Hub TLOCs

Branch Prefixes

Drop Branch TLOCs

Hub-and-Spoke Topologies

VPN 1 Full Mesh and VPN 2 Hub-and-Spoke Topologies

For Your Reference

Loose Hub-and-Spoke
Spokes communicate via hub(s)

```
Policy
 lists
  vpn-list VPN2
   vpn 2
  !
site-list branch_sites
  site-id 1000-2000
  !
 !
 control-policy vpn_multi-topology
  sequence 10
   match route
    site-list branch_sites
    vpn-list  VPN2
   !
   action accept
    set
     tloc 1.1.1.1 color mpls
    !
   !
  !
  default-action accept
```

Branch Prefixes

Hub site TLOC

Strict Hub-and-Spoke
No spoke to spoke communication

```
Policy
 lists
  vpn-list VPN2
   vpn 2
  !
site-list hub_sites
  site-id 1-100
  !
 !
 control-policy vpn_multi-topology
  sequence 10
   match route
    site-list hub_sites
    vpn-list  VPN2
   !
   action accept
  !
  sequence 20
   match route
   !
   action reject
  !
  default-action accept
```

Advertise Hub Prefixes

Drop Branch Prefixes

Multiple Underlays with direct/indirect attach

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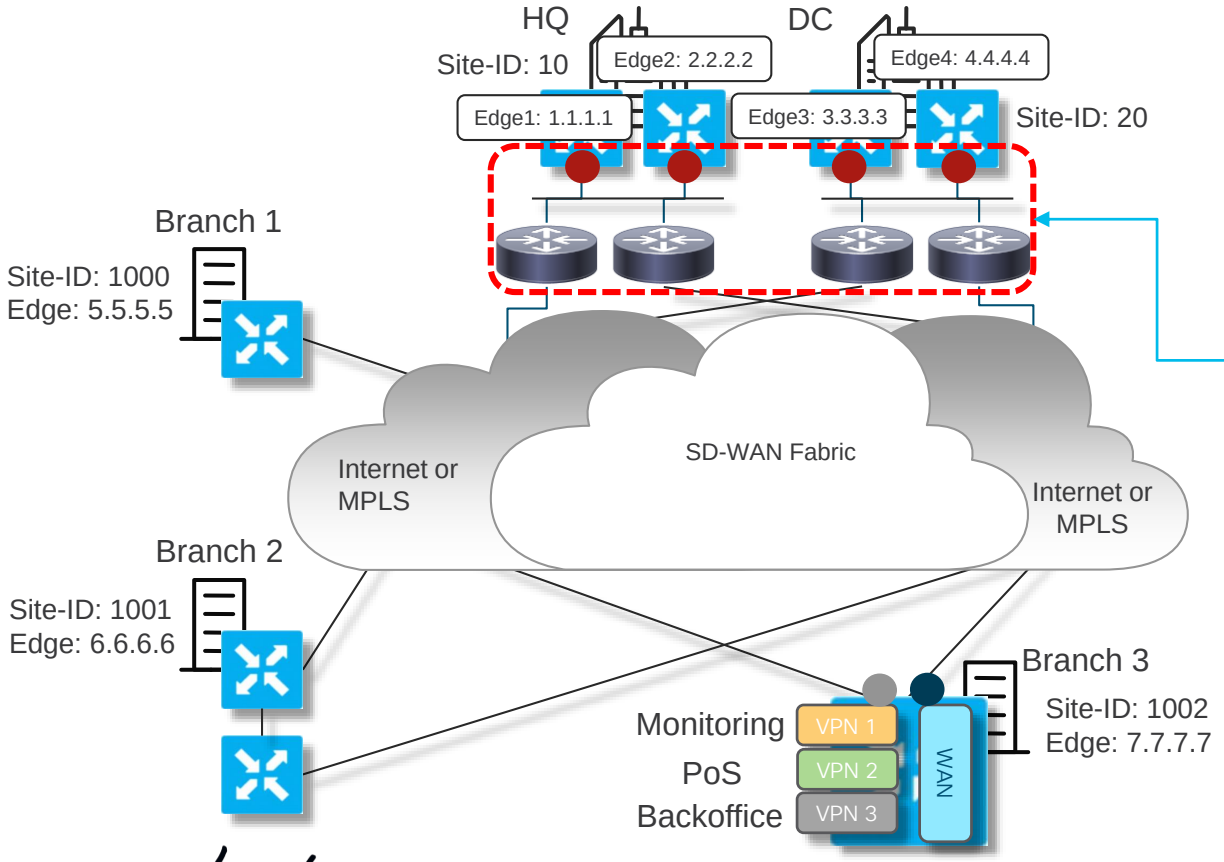


- Branches have multiple direct physical attachments to multiple underlays
  - This is represented by multiple colors at the branch
- DC/HQ nodes aren't directly attached to the transport but is provided an internal link
  - Hence, only a single color is normally used at DC/HQ

TLOC: MPLS
TLOC: Public-Internet
TLOC: X

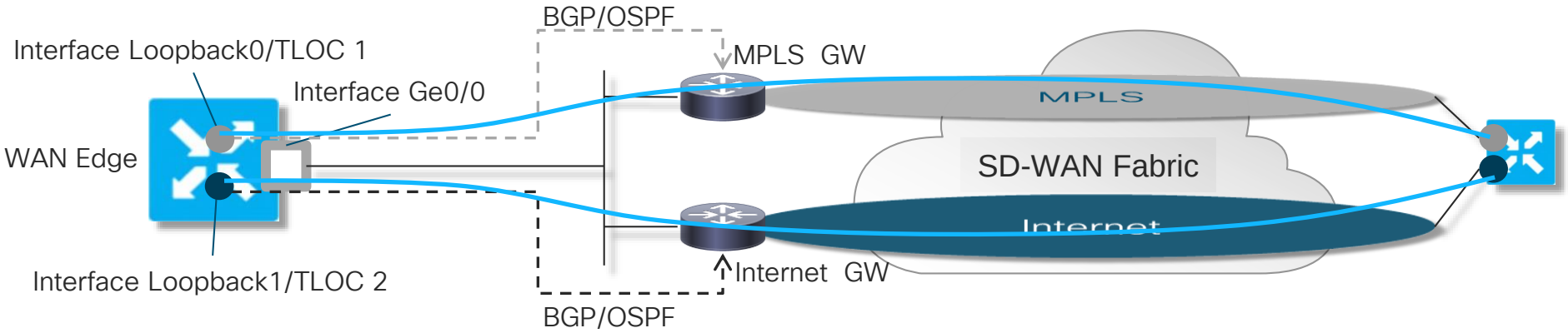
Multiple Underlays with direct/indirect attach

Challenges in Uniformly Enabling Capabilities Across the Network

- Branches typically have direct physical attach – standard operation
  - Underlay/Transport Routing and Path Preference
  - Application-Aware Routing and SLA measurements
  - Nothing changes from a standard design
- Central locations are challenged by lack of direct connectivity
  - Routing traffic per underlay
  - Path Preference – Using policies or static assignments
  - Application-aware routing measurements and switch-over

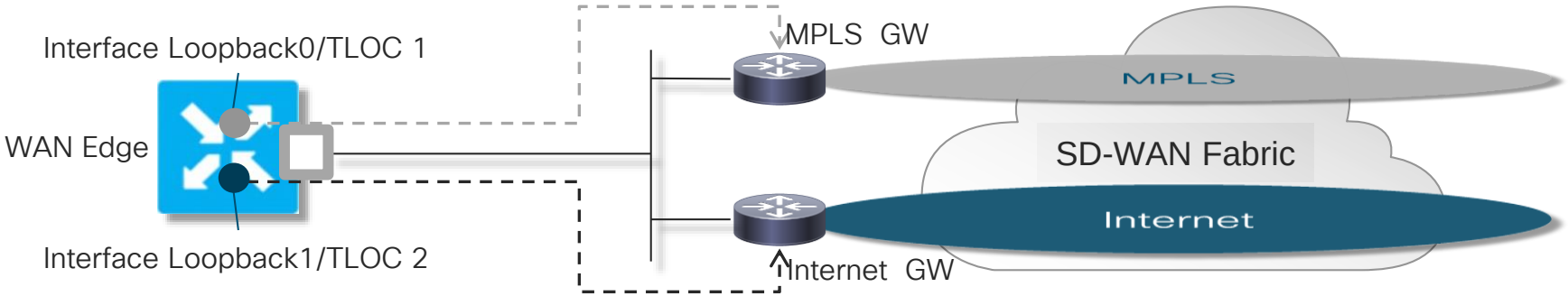
Multiple Underlays with direct/indirect attach

- Use Loopback interfaces to represent each underlay Network
- Assign IP-addressing that allows for routing to specific underlays



- BGP or OSPF can be used to share Loopback IPs with rest of network
- In case of disparate underlays, VPN 0 routing must be properly setup

Multiple Underlays with direct/indirect attach




```
vpn 0
 interface ge0/0
  ip address 192.168.1.2/24
 !
 interface loopback0
  ip address 192.169.1.1/32
   tunnel-interface
    color mpls
 !
 interface loopback1
  ip address 192.169.1.2/32
   tunnel-interface
    color public-internet
```

VPN 0 - Static Routing

```
vpn 0
 ip route 10.0.0.0/8 >> mpls-gw
 ip route 0.0.0.0/0 >> internet-gw
```

Transport - Static Routing

```
ip route 192.168.1.1/32 >> WAN Edge
ip route 192.168.1.2/32 >> WAN Edge
```

VPN 0 - OSPF

```
vpn 1
 router
  ospf
   area 0
    interface loopback0
    interface loopback1
    exit
   exit
  !
 !
```

Primary and Backup path/resource definition

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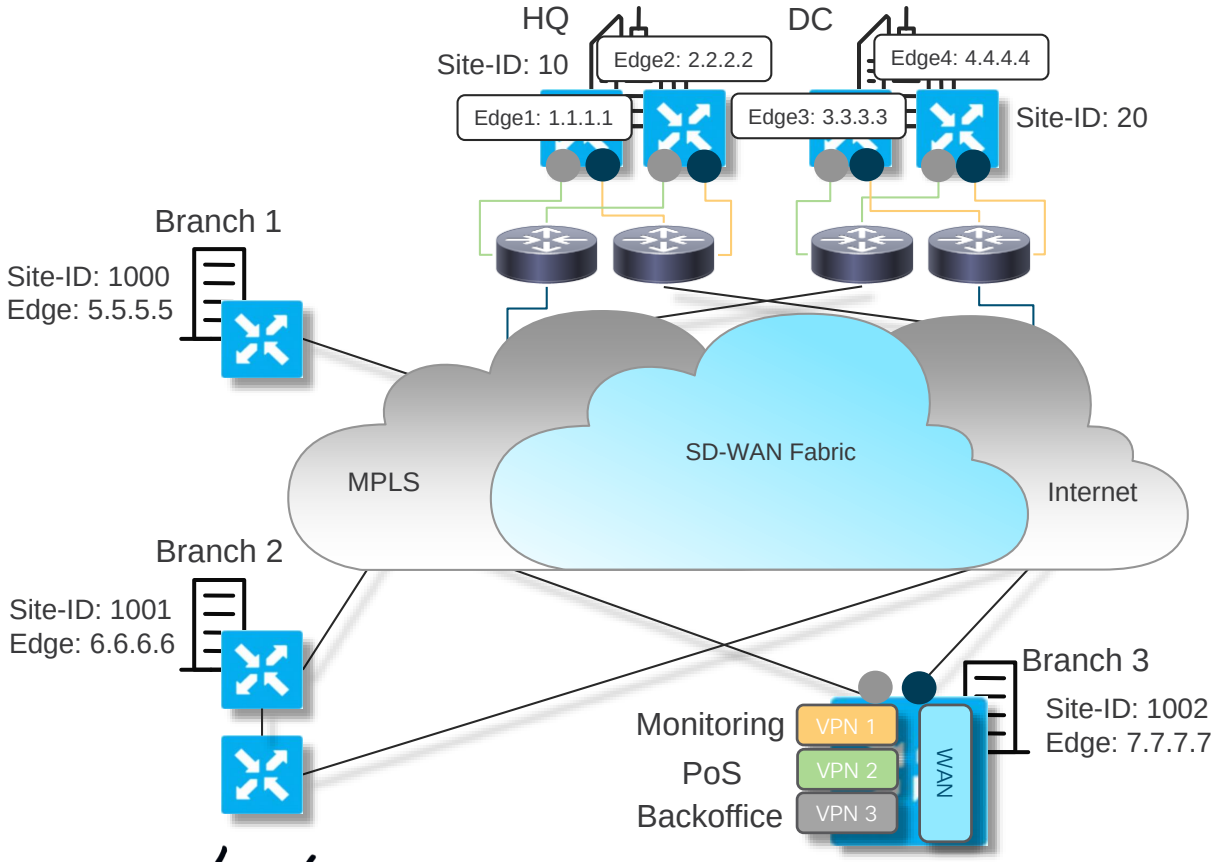
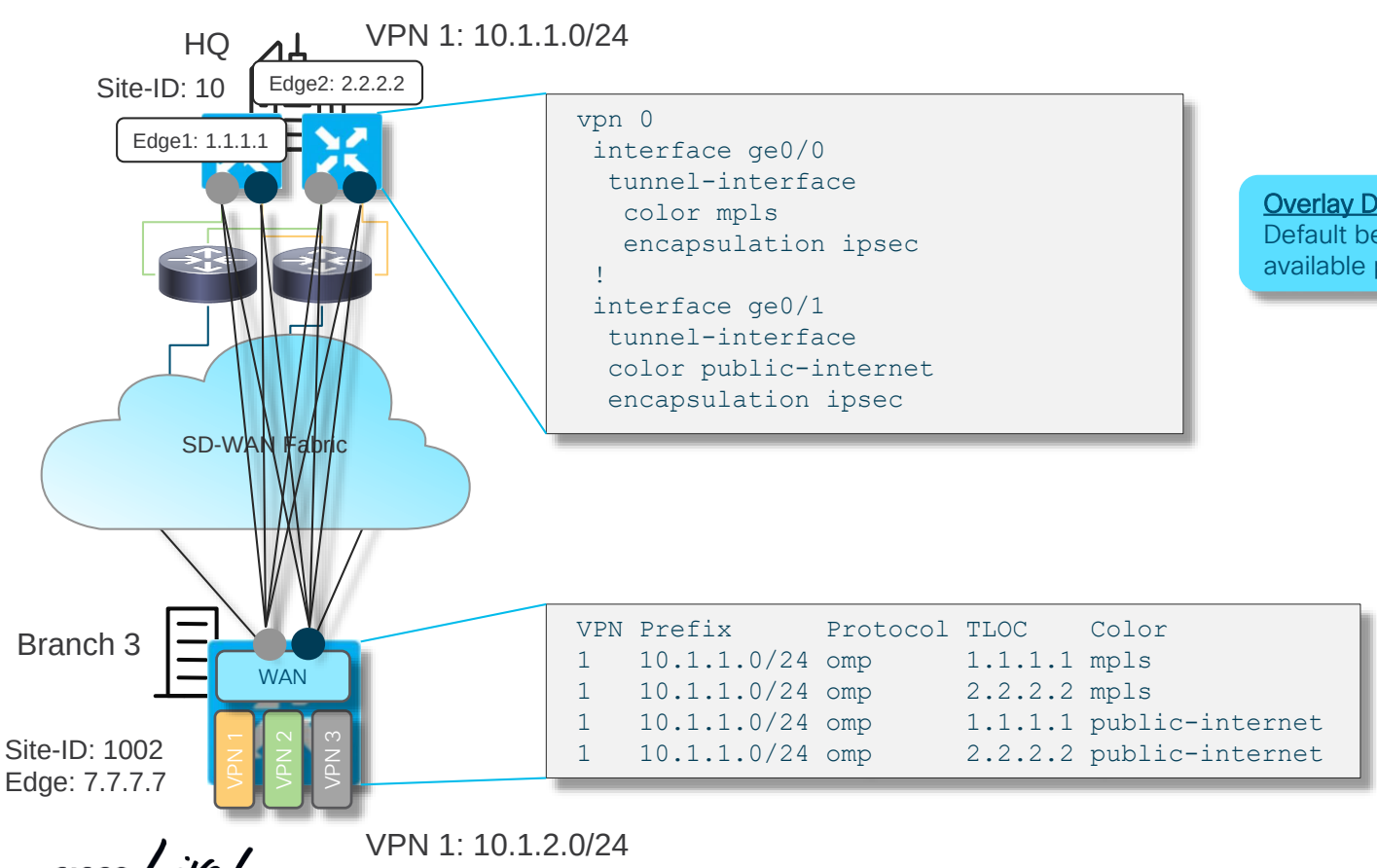


- Default behavior is to advertise branch prefixes with every TLOC as a valid NH for ECMP
- This can cause asymmetric distribution of flows
- Several techniques can be used to manage this
- In some cases, having all transports active is a higher priority so then default is ok

TLOC: MPLS

TLOC: Public-Internet

Primary and Backup path/resource definition



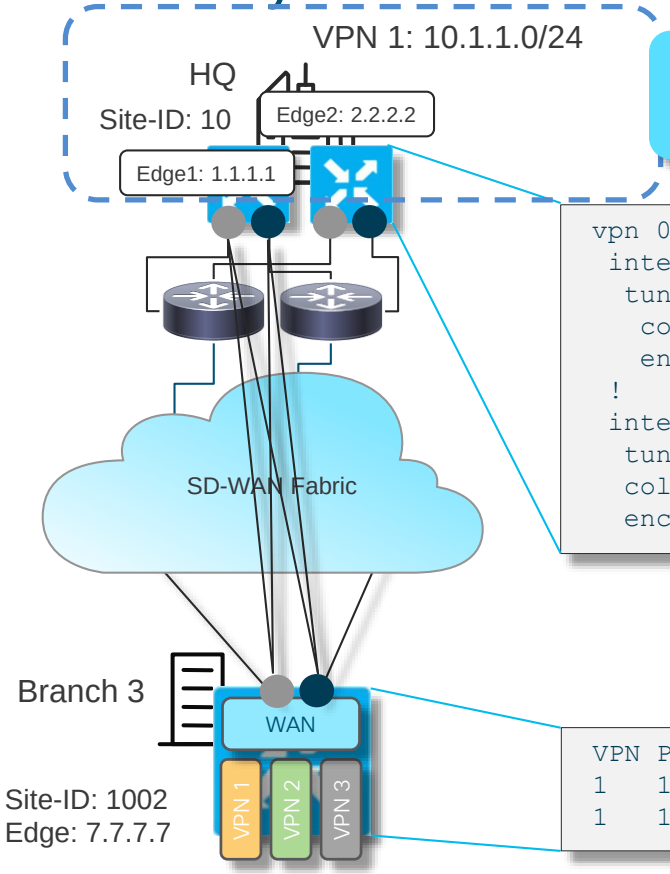

```
vpn 0
 interface ge0/0
  tunnel-interface
   color mpls
   encapsulation ipsec
 !
 interface ge0/1
  tunnel-interface
  color public-internet
  encapsulation ipsec
```

```
VPN  Prefix       Protocol  TLOC     Color
1    10.1.1.0/24  omp       1.1.1.1  mpls
1    10.1.1.0/24  omp       2.2.2.2  mpls
1    10.1.1.0/24  omp       1.1.1.1  public-internet
1    10.1.1.0/24  omp       2.2.2.2  public-internet
```

- TLOC: MPLS
- TLOC: Public-Internet

Overlay Domain - Path Preference
Default behavior is to use every available path for ECMP

Primary and Backup path/resource definition



Site Domain - Local Policy
Use routing metrics to assign primary and backup transit node

TLOC: MPLS

TLOC: Public-Internet

```
vpn 0
 interface ge0/0
  tunnel-interface
   color mpls
   encapsulation ipsec preference 100
 !
 interface ge0/1
  tunnel-interface
  color public-internet
  encapsulation ipsec preference 100
```

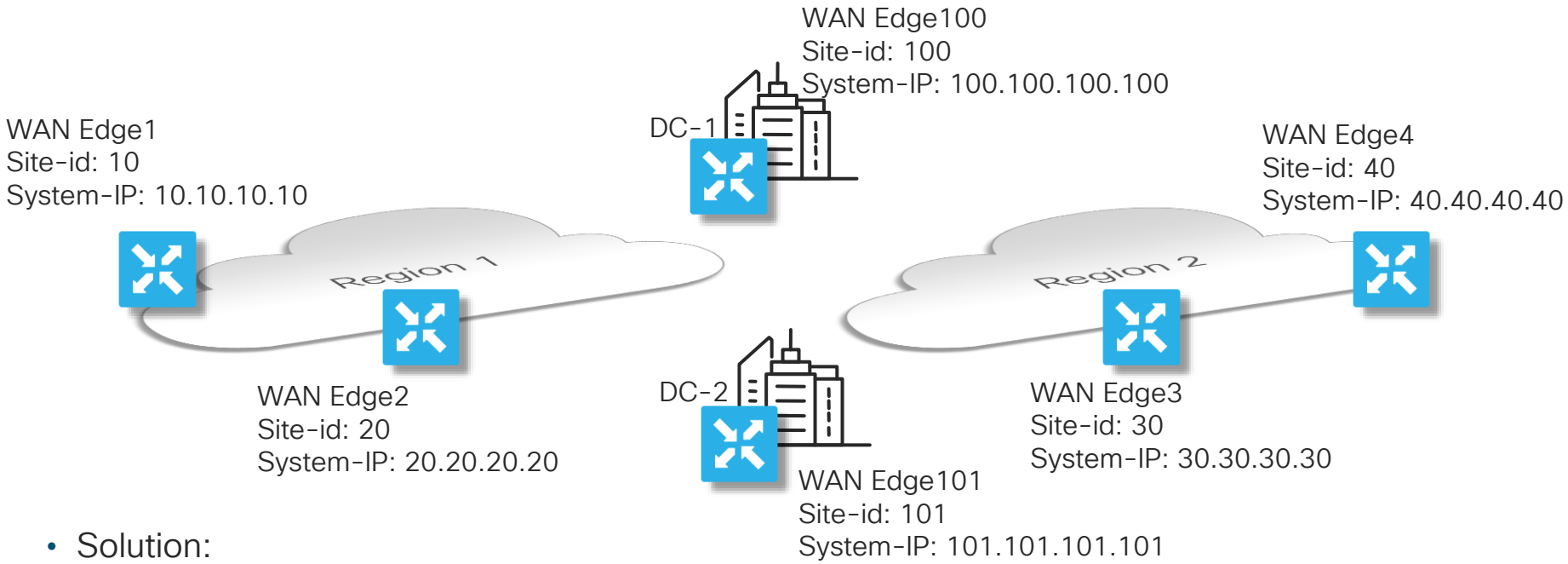
Overlay Domain - TLOC Preference

- Influence OMP path selection to impose Primary and Backup Path
- Preference setting causes local TLOCs to be advertised with higher preference
- Higher preference is better and path selection will fall back to lower preference paths in case of failure

```
VPN  Prefix       Protocol  TLOC     Color
1    10.1.1.0/24  omp       2.2.2.2  mpls
1    10.1.1.0/24  omp       2.2.2.2  public-internet
```

Primary and Backup path/resource definition

Network Resource (e.g. Data Center) Preference or Active/Backup



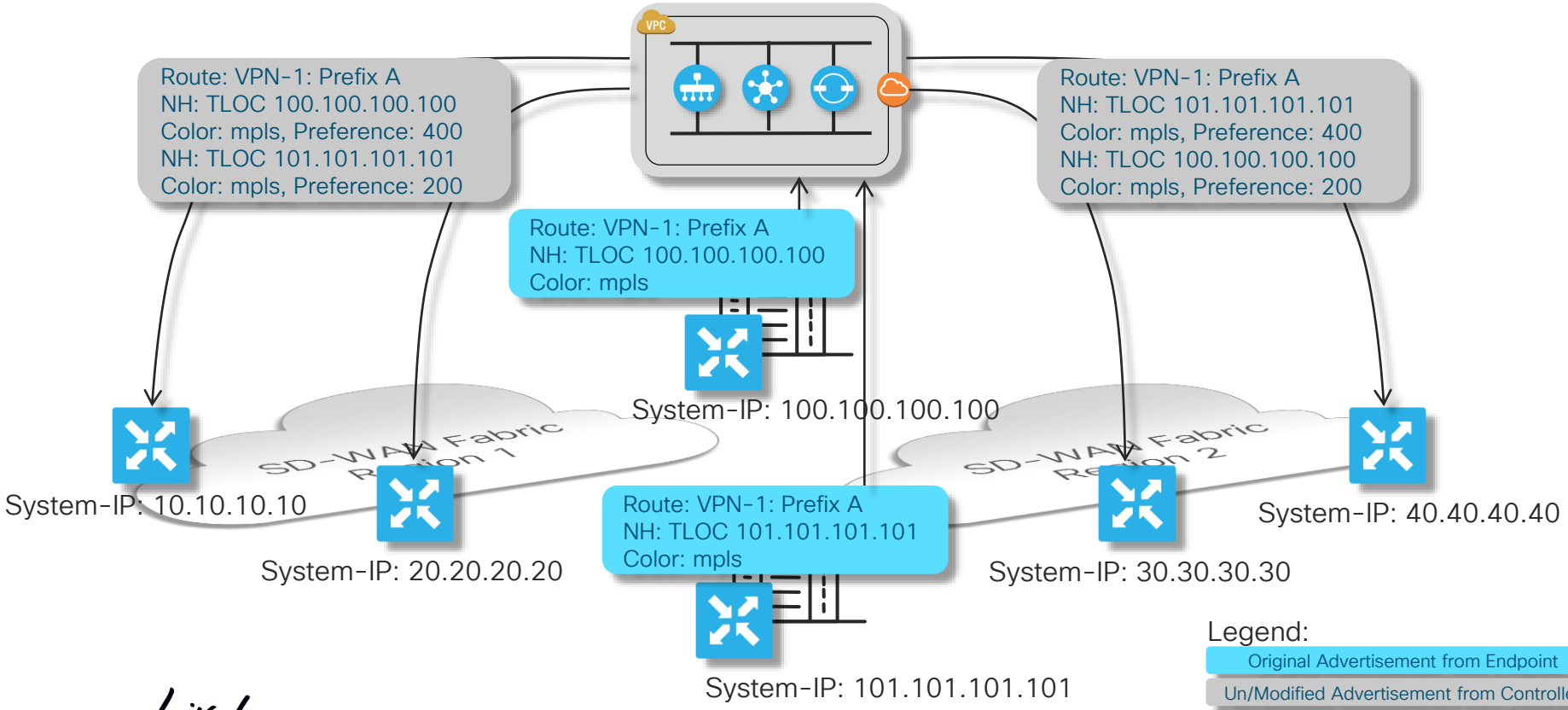
- Solution:

  Identify regions by Site-Id and associate Primary and Backup DC locations with the regions

  A control policy is used to make the associations and defining DC preference

Primary and Backup path/resource

Control Policy Operation



Primary and Backup path/resource definition

Control Policy Configuration

For Your Reference

1 Define Data Center TLOC-lists

```
policy
 lists
  tloc-list dc-preference-west
   tloc 100.100.100.100 color mpls encap ipsec preference 400
   tloc 101.101.101.101 color mpls encap ipsec preference 200
  !
  tloc-list dc-preference-east
   tloc 100.100.100.100 color mpls encap ipsec preference 200
   tloc 101.101.101.101 color mpls encap ipsec preference 400
  !
  site-list sites-region-west
   site-id 1-20
  !
  site-list sites-region-east
   site-id 21-40
  !
  site-list dc-sites
   site-id 100-101
```

2 Declare Regions

3 Declare Data Centers

```
apply-policy
 site-list sites-region-west
  control-policy adv-dc-preference-west out
 !
 site-list sites-region-east
  control-policy adv-dc-preference-east out
 !
!
```

5 Apply Policies to the target site-lists

```
control-policy adv-dc-preference-west
  sequence 10
   match route
    site-list dc-sites
   !
   action accept
    set
     tloc-list dc-preference-west
    !
   !
  !
  default-action accept
 !
 control-policy adv-dc-preference-east
  sequence 10
   match route
    site-list dc-sites
   !
   action accept
    set
     tloc-list dc-preference-east
    !
   !
  !
  default-action accept
 !
!
```

4 Define the Control Policies

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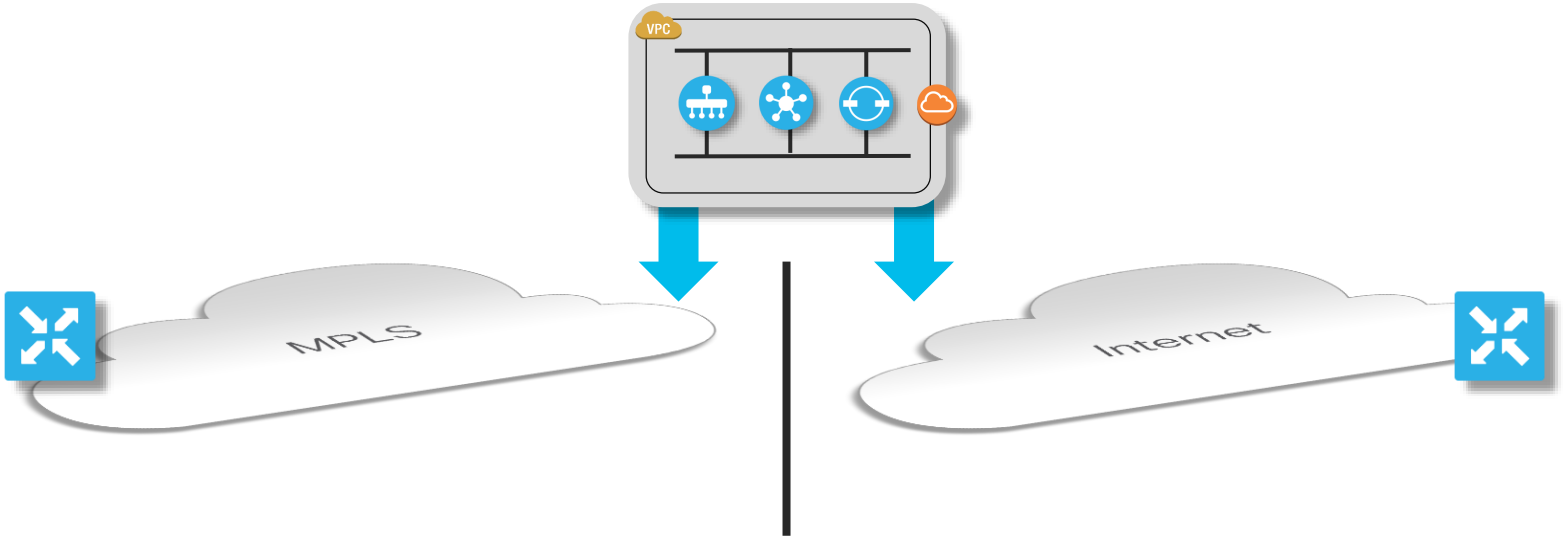
Interconnecting Dis-contiguous Data Planes

Interconnecting Dis-contiguous Data Planes

Interconnecting nodes single-homed to different underlays

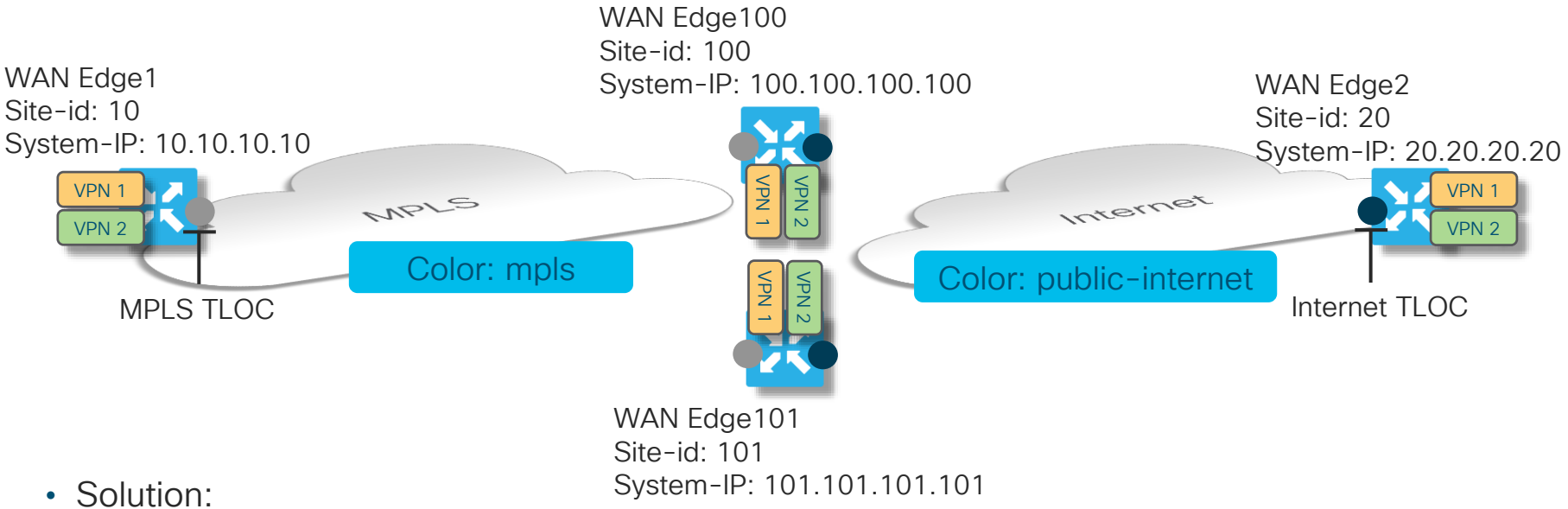


- Problem:

  Overlay with a dis-contiguous data plane and endpoints need to communicate end-to-end

Interconnecting Dis-contiguous Data Planes

Interconnecting nodes single-homed to different underlays



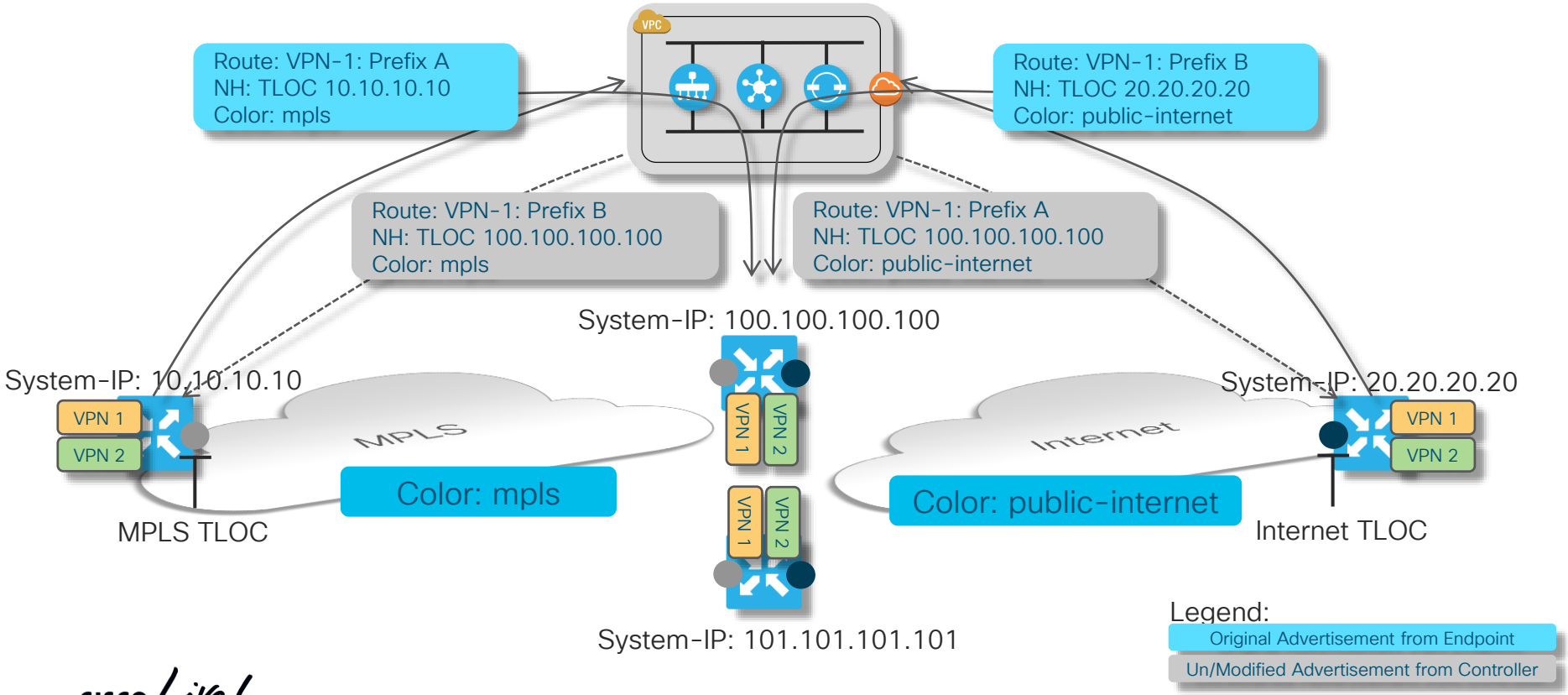
- Solution:

  Identify one or more multi-homed sites to bridge the data plane gap and act as gateways

  Use a control policy to enable distribution of routing information between domains enabling gateway-supported paths

Interconnecting Dis-contiguous Data Planes

Control Policy Operation



Interconnecting Dis-contiguous Data Planes

Control Policy Configuration

For Your Reference

1 Define Gateway TLOC-lists

```
policy
 lists
  tloc-list internet-gateways
   tloc 100.100.100.100 color mpls encap ipsec
   tloc 101.101.101.101 color mpls encap ipsec
  !
  tloc-list mpls-gateways
   tloc 100.100.100.100 color public-internet encap ipsec
   tloc 101.101.101.101 color public-internet encap ipsec
  !
  site-list internet-sites
   site-id 20
  !
  site-list mpls-sites
   site-id 10
```

2 Declare Target Sites

3 Define the Control Policies

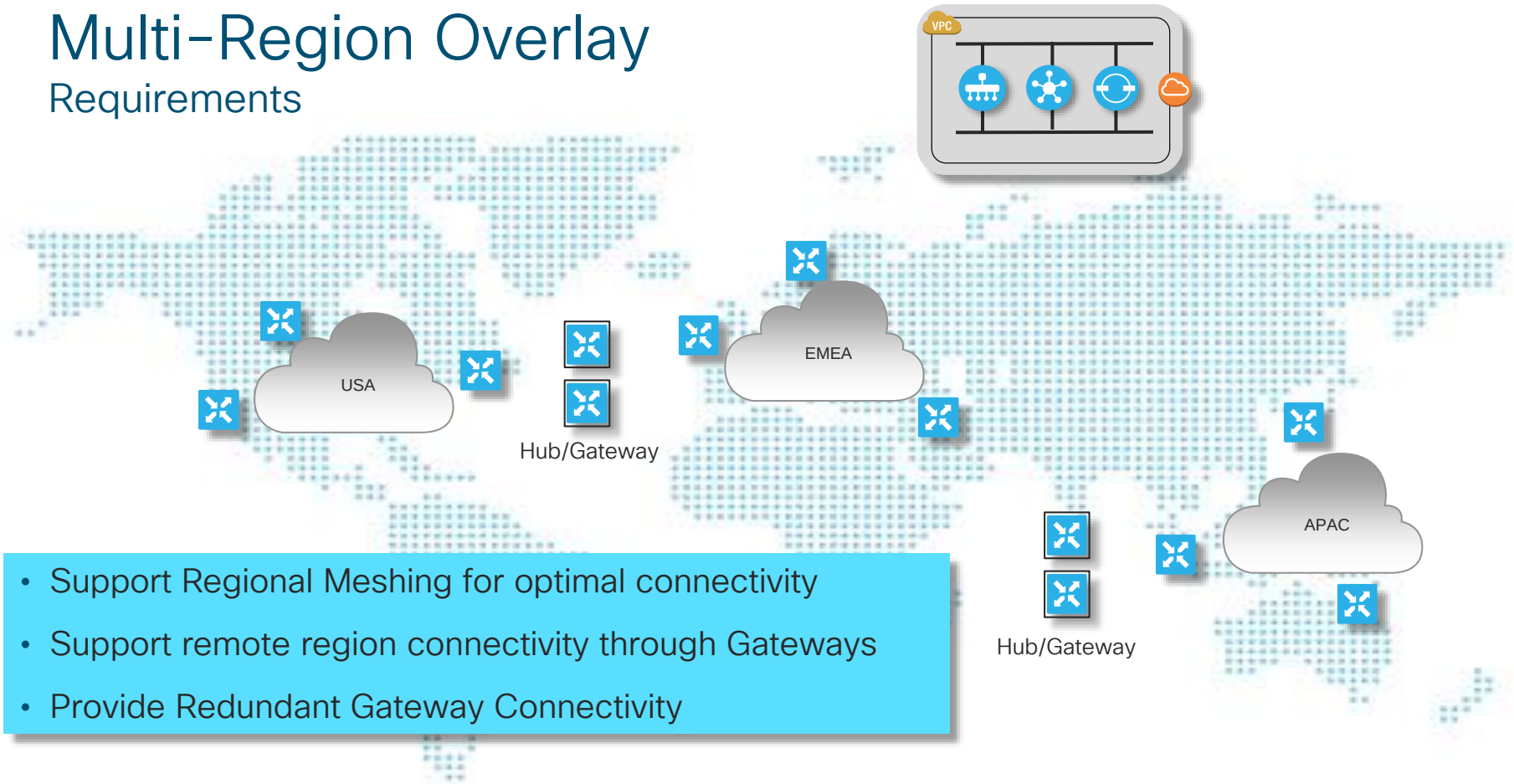
```
control-policy announce-internet-sites
  sequence 10
   match route
    site-list internet-sites
   !
   action accept
    set
     tloc-list internet-gateways
    !
   !
  !
  default-action accept
 !
 control-policy announce-mpls-sites
  sequence 10
   match route
    site-list mpls-sites
   !
   action accept
    set
     tloc-list mpls-gateways
    !
   !
  !
  default-action accept
 !
!
```

```
apply-policy
 site-list internet-sites
  control-policy announce-mpls-sites out
 !
 site-list mpls-sites
  control-policy announce-internet-sites out
 !
!
```

4 Apply Policies to the target site-lists

Multi-Region Overlay

Multi-Region Overlay
Requirements



- Support Regional Meshing for optimal connectivity
- Support remote region connectivity through Gateways
- Provide Redundant Gateway Connectivity

Multi-Region Overlay
Definitions and Dependencies

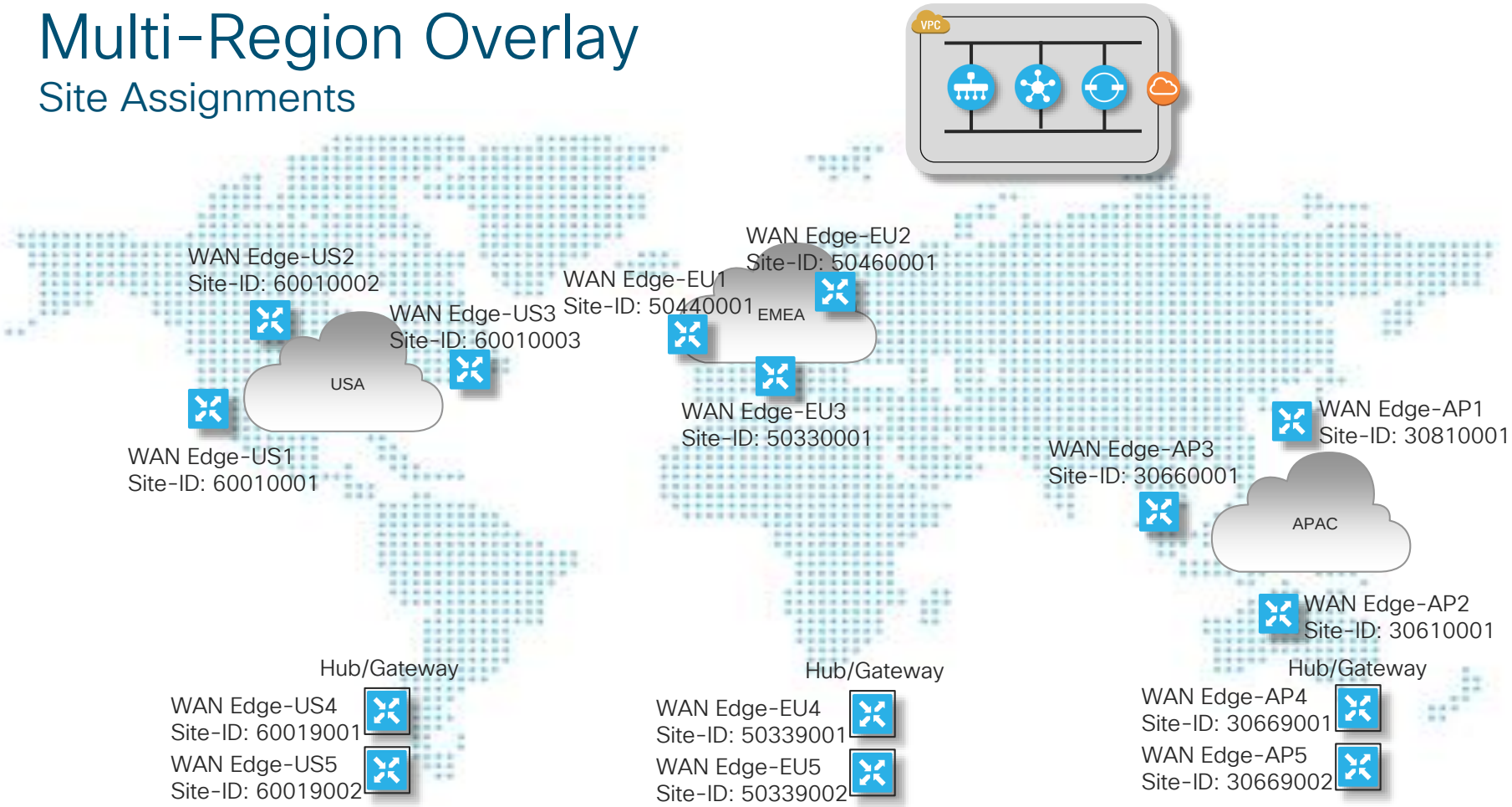
- Site-ID assignment allowing for Site identification – 32 bits

	Continent	Country	Site number
	X	YYY	ZZZZ
	1-7	1-999	1-9999
Example	Europe	Sweden	Site
	5	046	1000

- TLOC Colors illustrating how sites are attached
- System-IP identifying individual nodes

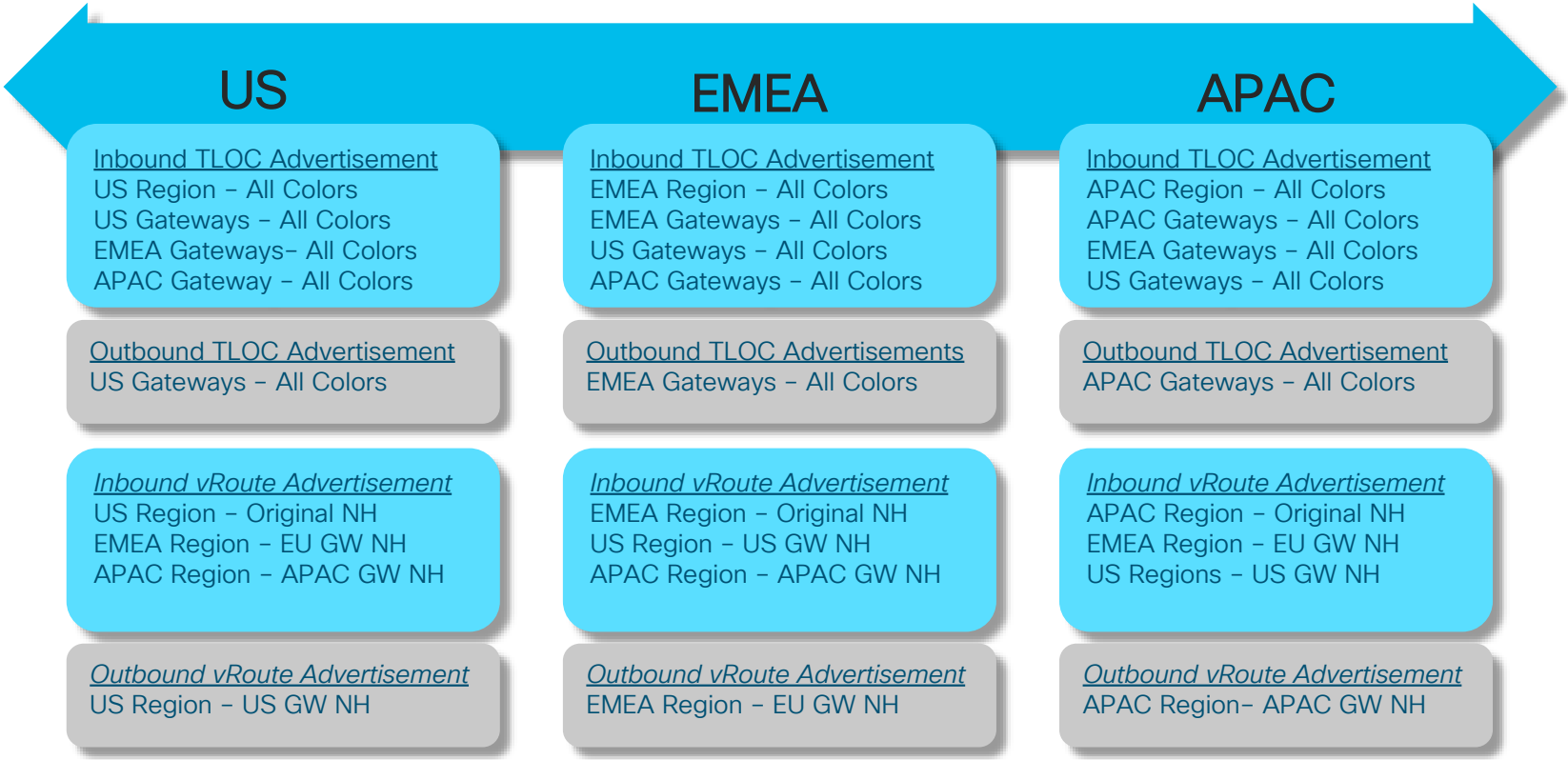
Multi-Region Overlay

Site Assignments



Control Policy Case Study

Reachability Information Distribution Requirements



Control Policy Case Study

Policy Definition – Lists

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```
policy
 lists
  site-list US_branch_sites
   site-id 60010000-60018999
  !
  site-list US_gateway_sites
   site-id 60019000-60019999
  !
  site-list EMEA_branch_sites
   site-id 50010000-50338999
   site-id 50340000-59999999
  !
  site-list EMEA_gateway_sites
   site-id 50339000-50339999
  !
  site-list APAC_branch_sites
   site-id 30010000-30668999
   site-id 30670000-39999999
  !
  site-list APAC_gateway_sites
   site-id 30669000-30669999
  !
 !
!
```

```
policy
 lists
  tloc-list US_gateway_tlocs
   tloc 1.1.1.1 color mpls encap ipsec preference 100
   tloc 1.1.1.1 color biz-internet encap ipsec preference 100
   tloc 2.2.2.2 color mpls encap ipsec preference 50
   tloc 2.2.2.2 color biz-internet encap ipsec preference 50
  !
  tloc-list EMEA_gateway_tlocs
   tloc 3.3.3.3 color mpls encap ipsec preference 100
   tloc 3.3.3.3 color biz-internet encap ipsec preference 100
   tloc 4.4.4.4 color mpls encap ipsec preference 50
   tloc 4.4.4.4 color biz-internet encap ipsec preference 50
  !
  tloc-list APAC_gateway_tlocs
   tloc 5.5.5.5 color mpls encap ipsec preference 100
   tloc 5.5.5.5 color biz-internet encap ipsec preference 100
   tloc 6.6.6.6 color mpls encap ipsec preference 50
   tloc 6.6.6.6 color biz-internet encap ipsec preference 50
  !
 !
!
```

Control Policy Case Study

Policy Definition Cont'd – Control Policy – Applied to US Sites

For Your Reference

```
policy
 control-policy us_domain
  sequence 10
   match tloc
    site-list US_branch_sites
   !
   action accept
   !
  !
  sequence 20
   match tloc
    site-list US_gateway_sites
    SNIP … (accept)
  sequence 30
   match tloc
    site-list EMEA_gateway_sites
    SNIP … (action accept)
  sequence 40
   match tloc
    site-list APAC_gateway_sites
   !
    SNIP … (action accept)
```

```
  sequence 50
   match route
    site-list US_branch_sites
   !
   action accept
   !
  sequence 60
   match route
    site-list US_gateway_sites
    SNIP … (action accept)
  sequence 70
   match route
    site-list EMEA_branch_sites
   !
   action accept
    set
     tloc-list EMEA_gateway_tlocs
    !
   !
  !
  sequence 80
   match route
    site-list EMEA_gateway_sites
    SNIP … (action accept)
```

Control Policy Case Study

Policy Definition Cont'd – Control Policy – Applied to US Sites

```
  sequence 90
   match route
    site-list APAC_branch_sites
   !
   action accept
    set
     tloc-list APAC_gateway_tlocs
    !
   !
  !
  sequence 100
   match route
    site-list APAC_gateway_sites
   !
   action accept
   !
  !
  default-action accept
```

```
apply-policy
 site-list US_branch_sites
  control-policy us_domain out
 !
 site-list US_gateway_sites
  control-policy us_domain out
 !
!
```

- Policy Logic

Sequence 10: Advertise US Branch TLOCs

Sequence 20: Advertise US GW TLOCs

Sequence 30: Advertise EMEA GW TLOCs

Sequence 40: Advertise APAC GW TLOCs

Sequence 50: Advertise US Branch routes

Sequence 60: Advertise US GW routes

Sequence 70: Advertise EMEA Branch routes w/ NH of EMEA GW

Sequence 80: Advertise EMEA GW routes

Sequence 90: Advertise APAC Branch routes w/ NH of APAC GW

Sequence 100: Advertise APAC GW Routes

Cisco SD-WAN
Common Overlay Services

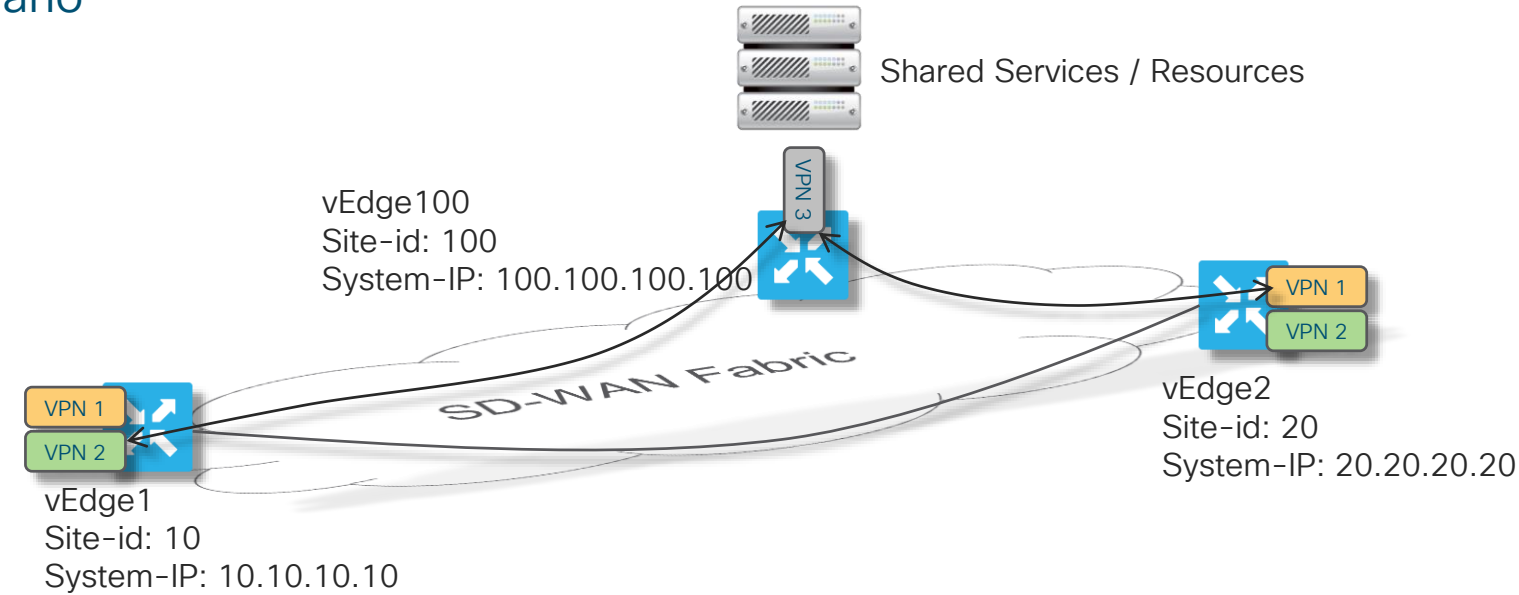
Common Designs and **Services**

- Extranet Service
- Quality of Service
- Application Pinning
- Internet Breakout
- SLA-driven Path Selection

Extranet Service

Providing Extranet Services

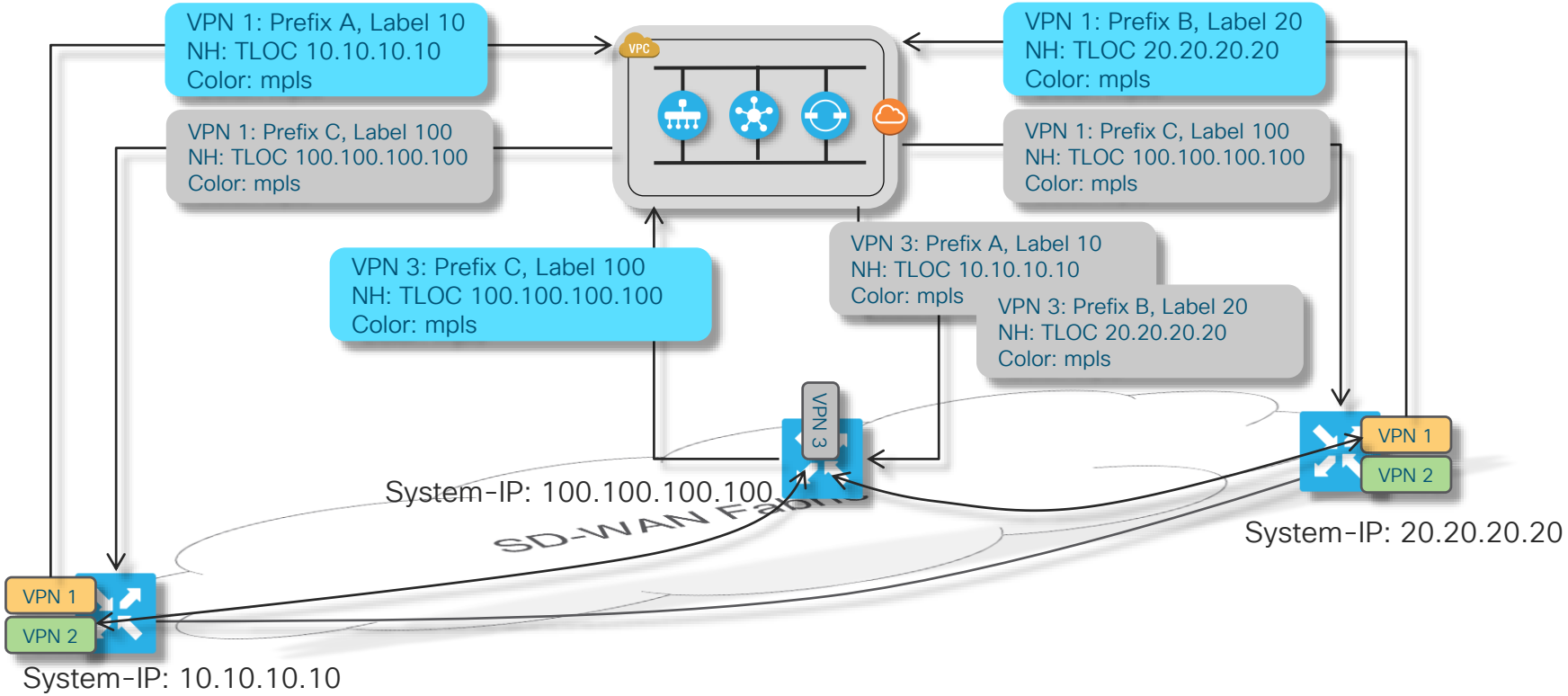
Scenario



- Problem: Shared Services to be consumed from Extranet VPN hosted location
- Solution: Provision Extranet Access from other overlay VPNs

Providing Extranet Services

Control Policy Operation



Providing Extranet Services + VPN NAT

Control Policy Configuration

For Your Reference

```
policy
 lists
  prefix-list natpools
   ip-prefix 192.168.0.0/16 le 32
  !
  site-list consumers
   site-id 3002
   site-id 3003
   site-id 3004
  !
 !
```

1 Declare Consumers

```
apply-policy
 site-list consumers
  control-policy extranet in
 !
!
```

4 Apply Control Policy

2 Export NAT Pool To Service VPN

```
policy
 control-policy extranet
  sequence 10
   match route
    prefix-list natpools
    vpn 1
   !
   action accept
    export-to
     vpn 3
    !
   !
  !
  sequence 20
   match route
    vpn 3
   !
   action accept
    export-to
     vpn 1
    !
   !
  !
  default-action accept
 !
!
```

3 Export Service Prefixes to Consumer VPN

Service Plane NAT
NAT across sites at VPN Layer

```
policy data-policy Srvc_Plane_NAT
  vpn-list VPN1
   sequence 10
    match source-ip 10.0.0.1/32
    !
    action accept
     nat pool 1
    !
   !
   default-action accept
  !
```

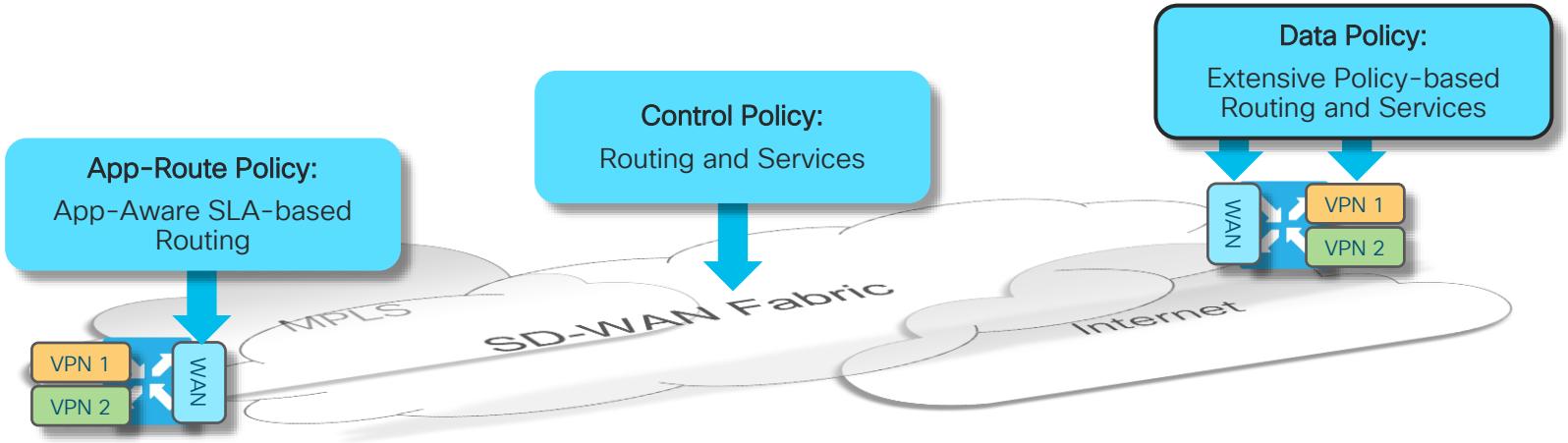
```
WAN-Edge
vpn 1
 interface natpool1
  ip address 192.168.1.1/32
  no shutdown
 !
```

Optional Service Plane NAT

Introduction to Data Policies

Cisco SD-WAN Policy Architecture

Suite of Policies to address different functional domains

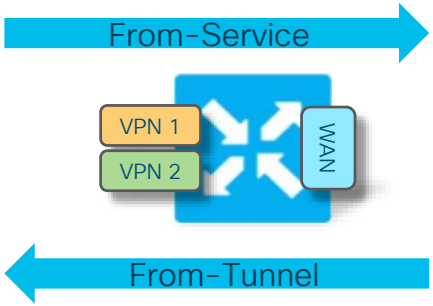


- Control Policies are applied at vSmart: Tailors routing information advertised to vEdge endpoints
- App-Route Policies are applied at vEdge: SLA-driven path selection for applications
- Data Policies are applied at vEdge: Extensive Policy driven routing

Data Policy Application
Direction of Processing

- A Data Policy can be applied in three modes:
  - From-service (Upstream)
  - From-tunnel (Downstream)
  - All (Up and Downstream)
- Different Data-policies can be applied to the same site if they apply to different directions

Upstream Traffic matched by Data-policy

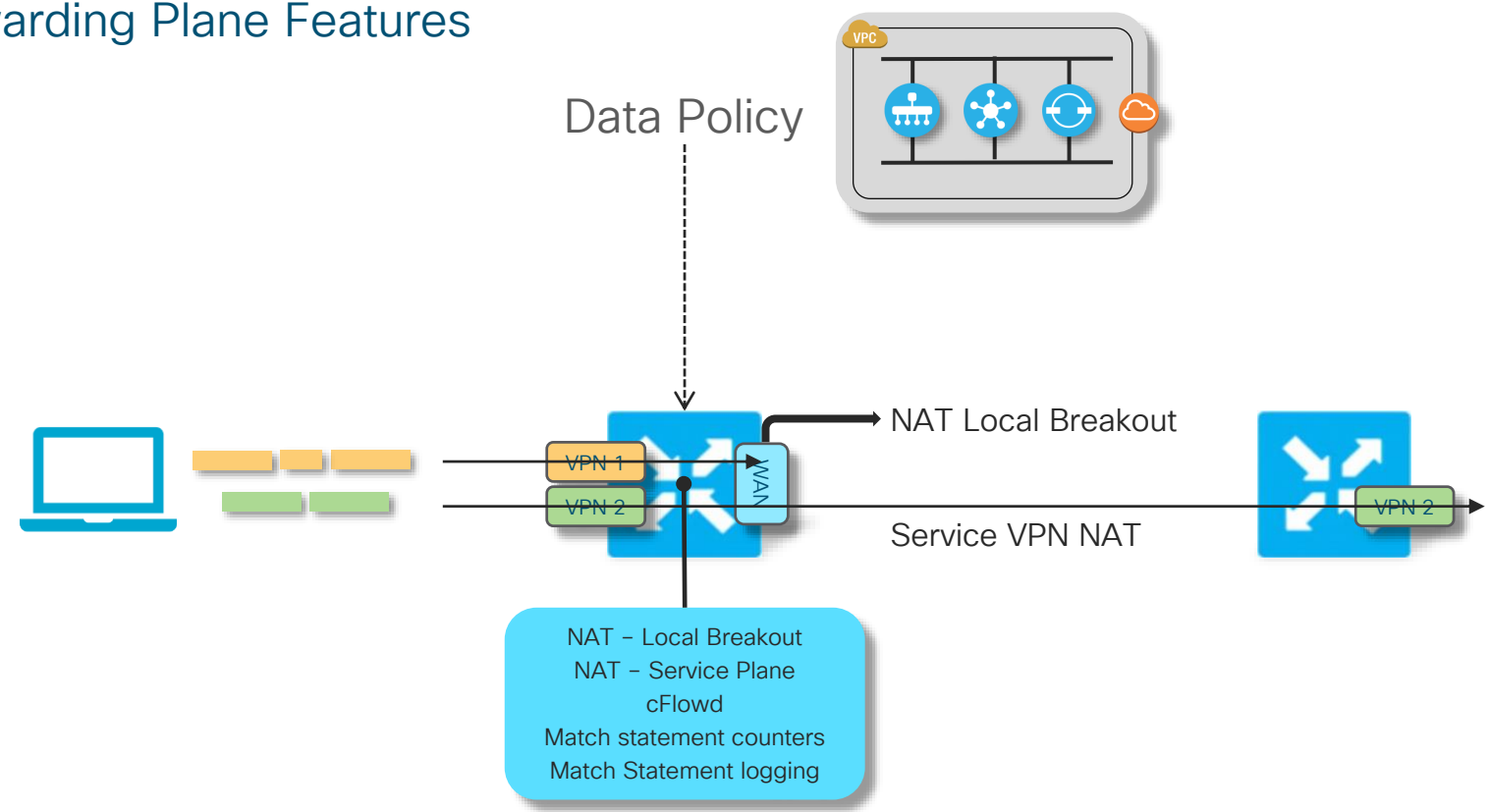


Downstream Traffic matched by Data-policy

```
apply-policy site-list <name>
  data-policy <name> all | from-service | from-tunnel
```

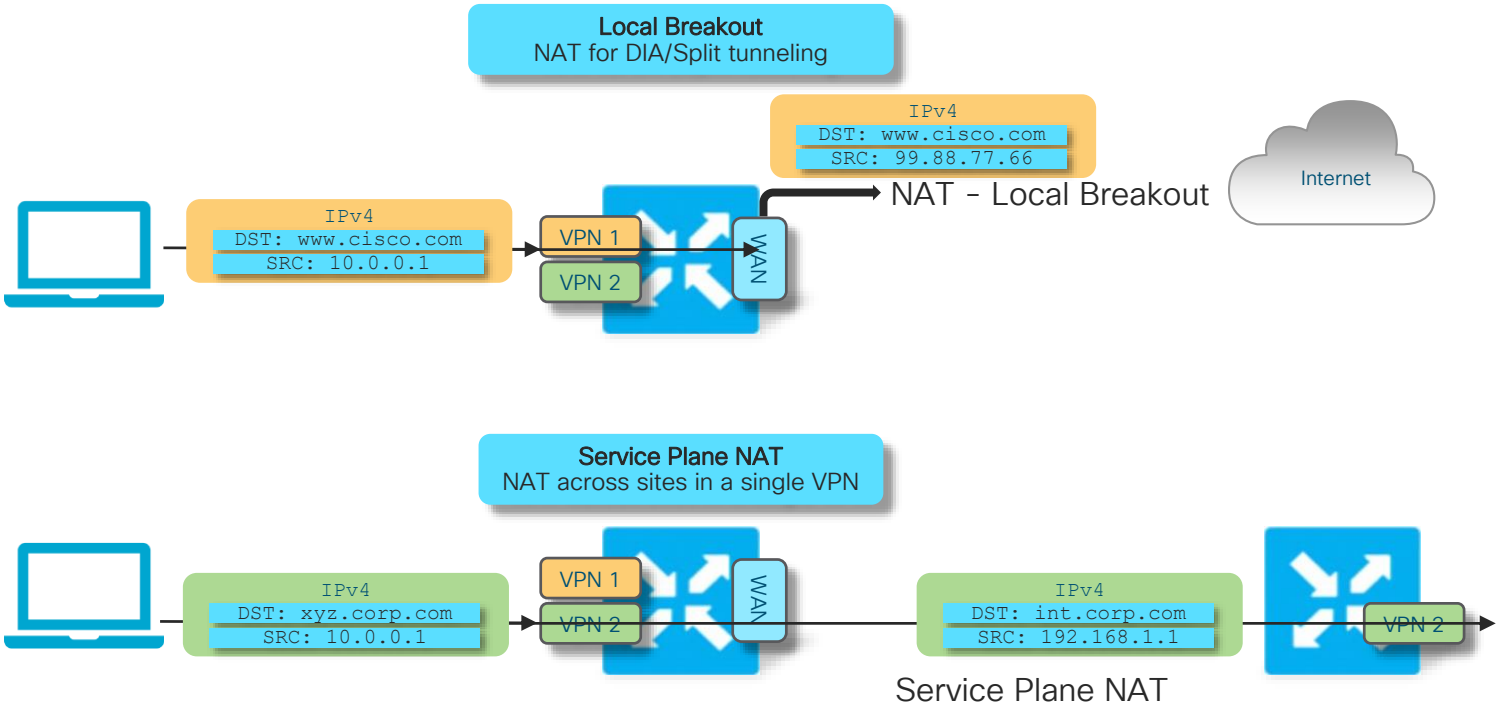
Data Policy Capabilities

Forwarding Plane Features



Data Policy Case #1

Forwarding Plane Features – NAT for DIA and Service VPN



Data Policy Capabilities

Forwarding Plane Feature Enablement – Policy Structure

For Your Reference

Service Plane NAT
NAT across sites in a single VPN

```
policy data-policy Srvc_Plane_NAT
  vpn-list VPN1
   sequence 10
    match source-ip 10.0.0.1/32
    !
    action accept
     nat pool 1
    !
   !
   default-action accept
  !
```

```
vEdge
vpn 1
 interface natpool1
  ip address 192.168.1.1/32
  no shutdown
 !
```

Local Breakout
NAT for DIA/Split tunneling

```
policy data-policy DIA_NAT
  vpn-list VPN1
   sequence 10
    match source-ip 10.0.0.1/32
    !
    action accept
     nat use-vpn 0
    !
   !
   default-action accept
  !
```

```
vEdge
vpn 0
 interface ge0/0
  ip address 192.168.1.1/32
  no shutdown
  nat
 !
```

Data Policy Capabilities

Forwarding Plane Feature Enablement – Policy Structure

For Your Reference

Local Breakout
cFlowd and Counting

```
policy data-policy DIA_NAT
  vpn-list VPN1
   sequence 10
    match source-ip 10.0.0.1/32
    !
    action accept
     cflowd
     count local-breakout-traffic
     nat use-vpn 0
    !
   !
   default-action accept
  !
```

- Counters visible using GUI/Realtime or via CLI

```
show policy data-policy-filter
```

- Use cflowd template for export-destination configuration

Local Breakout
Logging breakout traffic

```
policy data-policy DIA_NAT
  vpn-list VPN1
   sequence 10
    match source-ip 10.0.0.1/32
    !
    action accept
     log
     nat use-vpn 0
    !
   !
   default-action accept
  !
```

```
vEdge
System
 logging
  server syslog.company.com
   vpn 1
   source-interface loopback1
  exit
 !
```

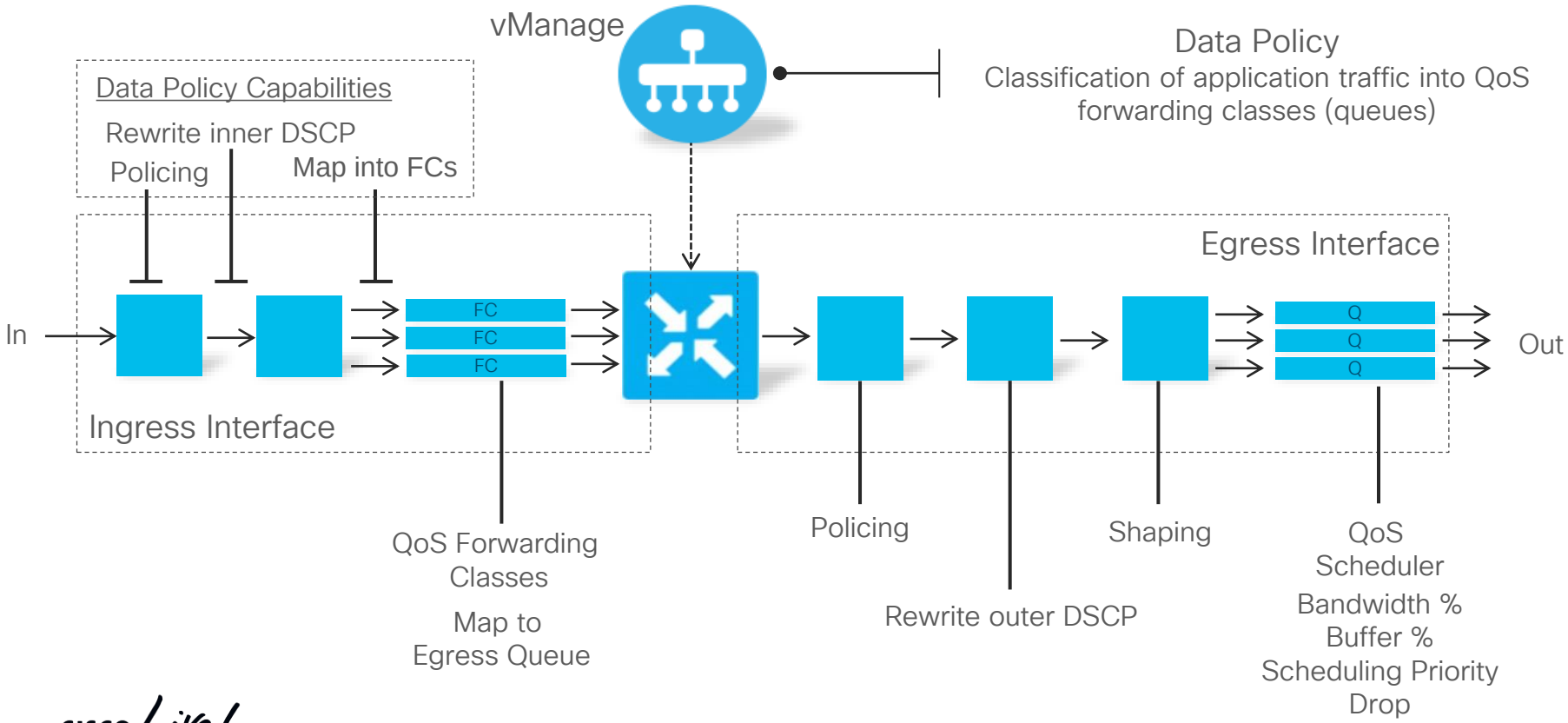
```
vEdge
policy
 log-frequency <number>*
```

* Default is every 1000 packets

Quality of Service

WAN Edge Router Device QoS Overview

WAN Edge Router



Data Policy for QoS

Quality of Service – Policy Structure

For Your Reference

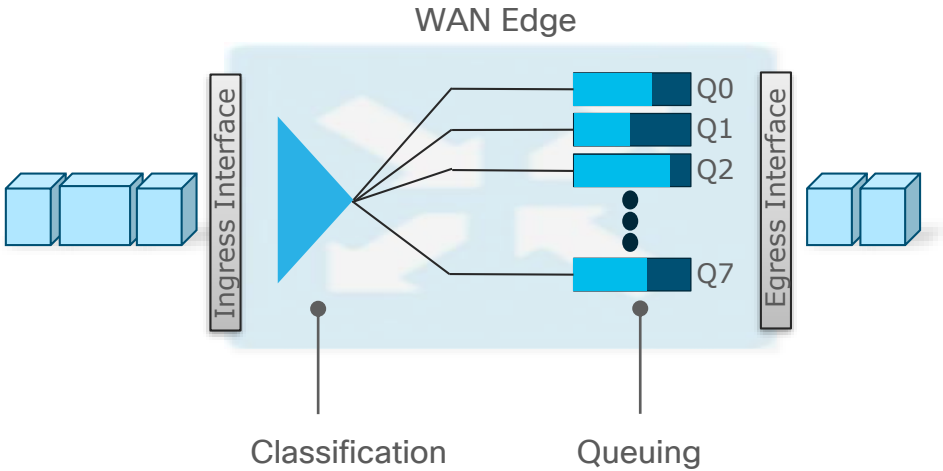
```
policy
 data-policy enterprise_traffic
  vpn-list VPN1
   sequence 10
    match app-list audio-video
    !
    action accept
     set
      dscp 46
      forwarding-class EF-class
     !
    !
   !
  !
 data-policy DIA
  vpn-list VPN10
   sequence 10
    match source-ip 10.0.0.0/8
    !
    action accept
     set
      policer police_DIA
     !
    !
   !
   default-action accept
  !
```

- App-list consists of DPI signature references
- Forwarding-class referring to configured QoS-class
  (Ref: qos-group in Cisco IOS)

```
policy
  policer police_DIA
  rate    10000000
  burst   1000000
  exceed drop
 !
!
```

Policer configured as part of Policy

WAN Edge Router Qos Capabilities



- Classification
  - Flow match on 6-tuple (ACL, Data Policy)
  - Application match on DPI (Data Policy)
- Per-Egress Interface Queuing
  - Q0 is LLQ
  - vEdge control traffic (DTLS/TLS, BFD, routing protocols) goes into Q0
    - Assign a some small value for control (5%)
- Scheduling for Q1-Q7 is WRR*
  - Bandwidth percent determines queue weight
  - Unused Q0 bandwidth is distributed between other queues
- Queue drop is RED** or tail-drop
  - Linear drop probability, i.e. X% queue depth results in X% drop probability

* Weighted Round-Robin
** Random Early Discard

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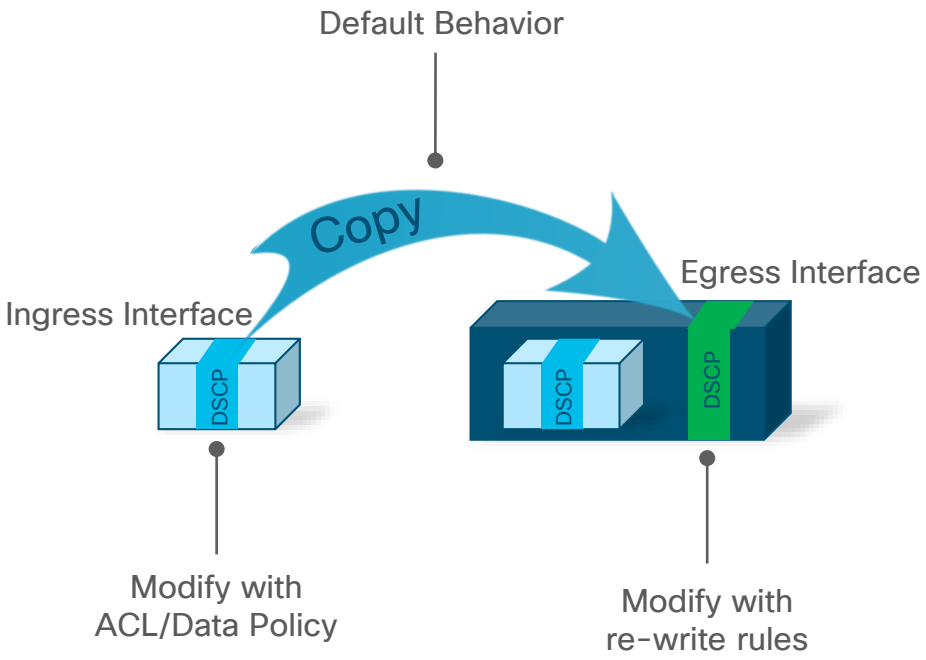
Marking and Remarking

Supporting Enterprise and Provider DSCP schemes concurrently



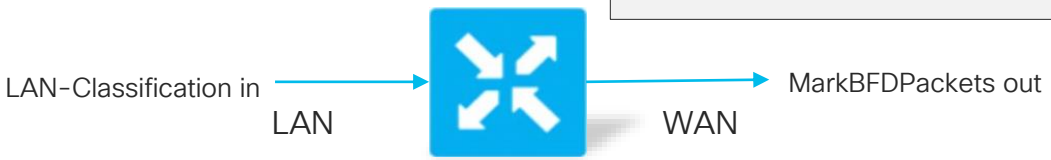
- Comply with service providers provisioned classes of service
- Ingress Classification
  - DPI or 6 tuple matching using centralized or localized data policy
- Ingress interface marks/re-marks inner DSCP bits
- Inner DSCP bits are copied to the outer DSCP bits
- Egress interface re-write rules remark outer DSCP bits

Re-Marking the BFD to match Application Traffic

Supporting Control and Critical traffic E2E

```
access-list LAN-Classification
  ….
  sequence 50
   match
    dscp 48
   !
   action accept
    class NetworkControl
   !
  !
  default-action accept
!
```

```
access-list MarkBFDPackets
  sequence 10
   match
    class NetworkControl
   !
   action accept
   !
  !
  sequence 20
   match
    dscp     48
    protocol 17
   !
   action accept
    set
     dscp 46
    !
   !
  !
  default-action accept
!
```



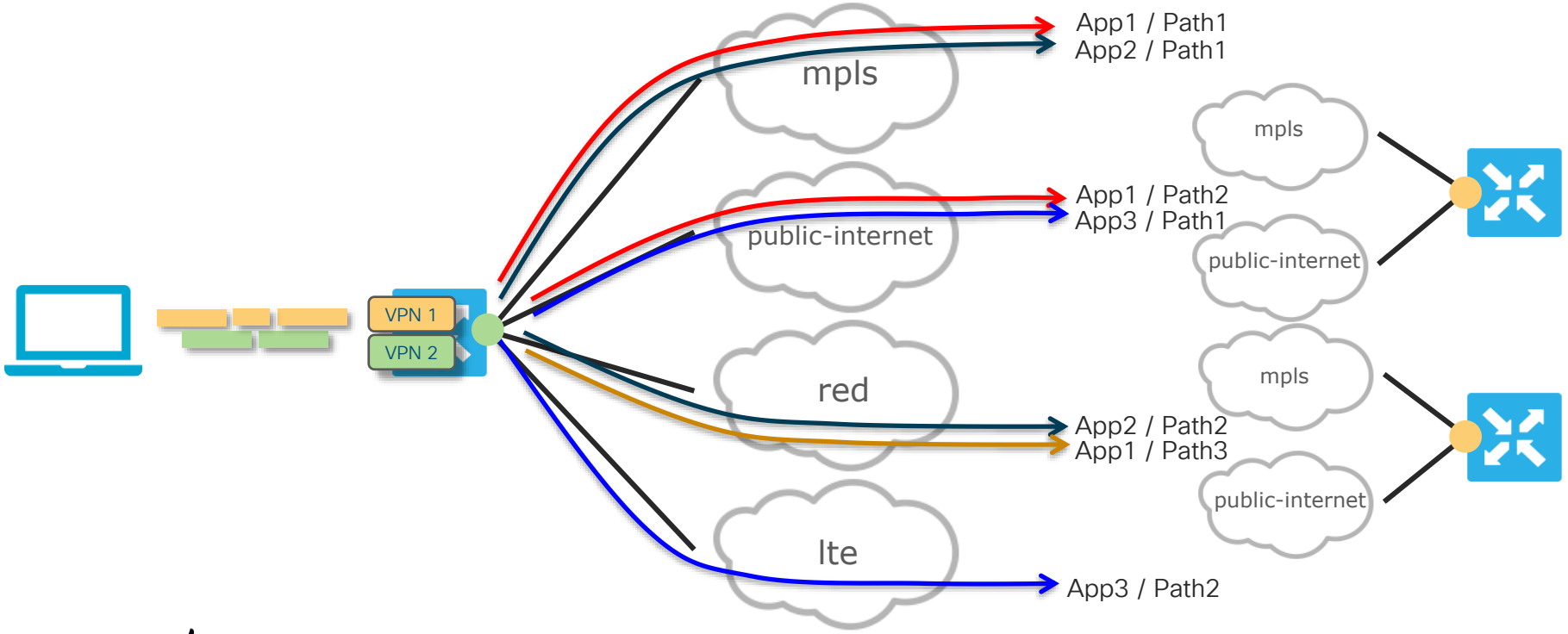
- WAN Edge QoS Default Behavior
  - All user traffic get mapped to Q2
  - All control traffic mapped to Q0 LLQ
    - Controller traffic
    - BFD Packets
    - Marked with DSCP of 48
- 100ms of buffer per port – Buffer Allocation can be configured per queue
- Recommendation
    - Always reserve minimum of 5% of BW and buffer for LLQ

Application Pinning

Application Pinning

Transport selection per Application

- Local TLOC Selection: Loose preference, falls back to routing upon failure
- Remote TLOC Selection: Strict preference, traffic dropped upon failure



Application Pinning

Data Policy Configuration

Local TLOC
Prefer Local Underlay Path

```
vSmart
policy
 data-policy local-tloc-preference
  vpn-list VPN1
   sequence 10
    match source-ip 10.0.0.0/8
    !
    action accept
     local—tloc red blue
```

(Remote) TLOC
Prefer a remote Node/TLOC

```
vSmart
policy
 data-policy local-tloc-preference
  vpn-list VPN1
   sequence 10
    match source-ip 10.0.0.0/8
    !
    action accept
     set
      tloc 1.1.1.1 color biz-internet

Or
    action accept
     set
      tloc-list remote-node
```

- local-tloc – Loose match that will fall back to routing if all TLOCs in list are down
- tloc-list refers to specific remote TLOCs and will not fall back to routing

```
policy
 lists
  tloc-list remote-node
   tloc 1.1.1.1 color mpls encap ipsec preference 100
   tloc 1.1.1.1 color biz-internet encap ipsec preference 50
```

Internet Breakout – DIA / DCA

Internet Breakout / DIA

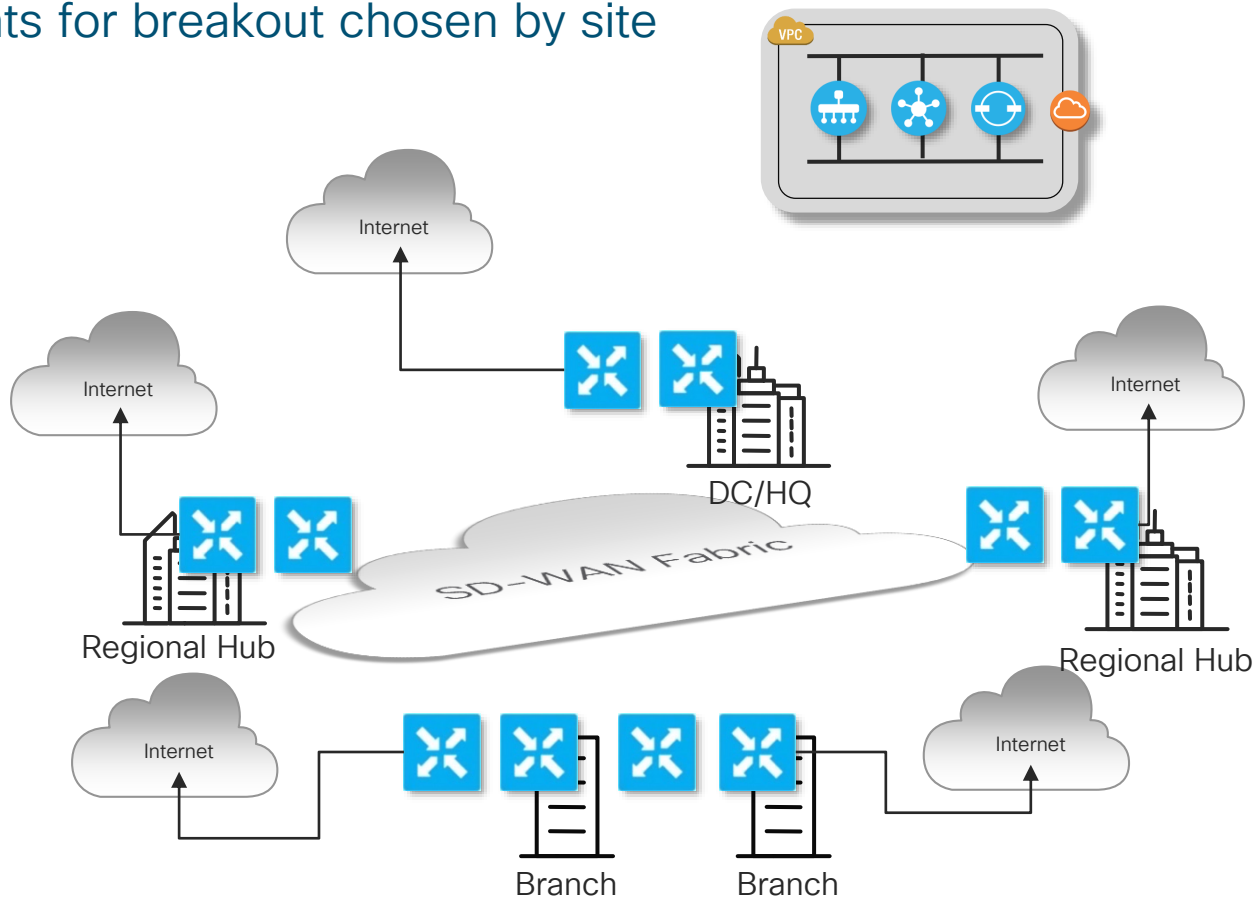
Routing and/or Policy-driven Capabilities

- The Cisco SD-WAN Architecture provides a lot of flexibility in enabling DIA
- Breakouts can be presented via:
  - Routing
  - Policy
  - In combination, with Preference and Backup options
  - Cloud-based Security as a Local Service using a Policy
- NAT is a required feature when providing a local breakout
- Service-side breakouts can be provided in case NAT is not needed or special care is needed for public addressing
- Can be deployed in combination with Service Chaining for monitoring/security/processing requirements

Internet Breakout Leverage

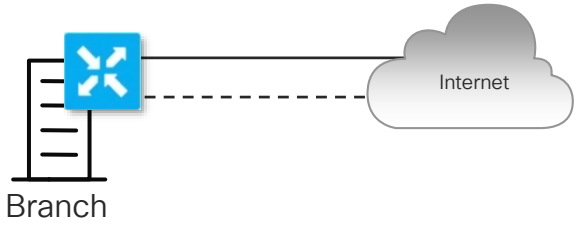
Most appropriate points for breakout chosen by site

- Enterprises can gradually progress from centralized to distributed breakouts
- Routing plane enables primary/backup as needed
- Policies further enhance selection and breakout granularity
- Align well with deployment of Cloud-based Security solutions



SD-WAN Internet Breakout Options

Local Breakout using a Default Route




```
vpn 0
 interface ge0/0
  nat
  tracker my_tracker
 !
vpn 1
 ip route 0.0.0.0/0 vpn 0
```

```
System
 tracker my_tracker
 endpoint-ip 1.2.3.4
 Interval 5
 Multiplier 3
 Threshold 500
```

- Static route in Service VPN
  - Can be default or more granular
- Redirects traffic to interfaces in VPN 0:
  - Interfaces must have NAT enabled
  - Multiple interfaces enables per-flow load-sharing
  - Relies on VPN 0 routing table
- Can be complemented with a Tracker to monitor Internet availability beyond first hop gateway

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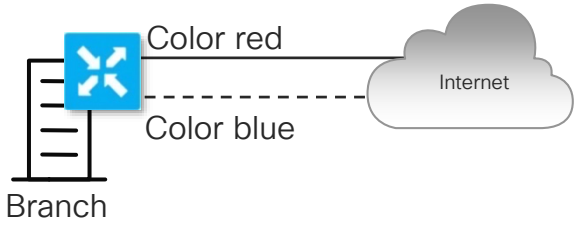
Local Breakout using Data Policy




```
vEdge
vpn 0
 interface ge0/0
  nat
```

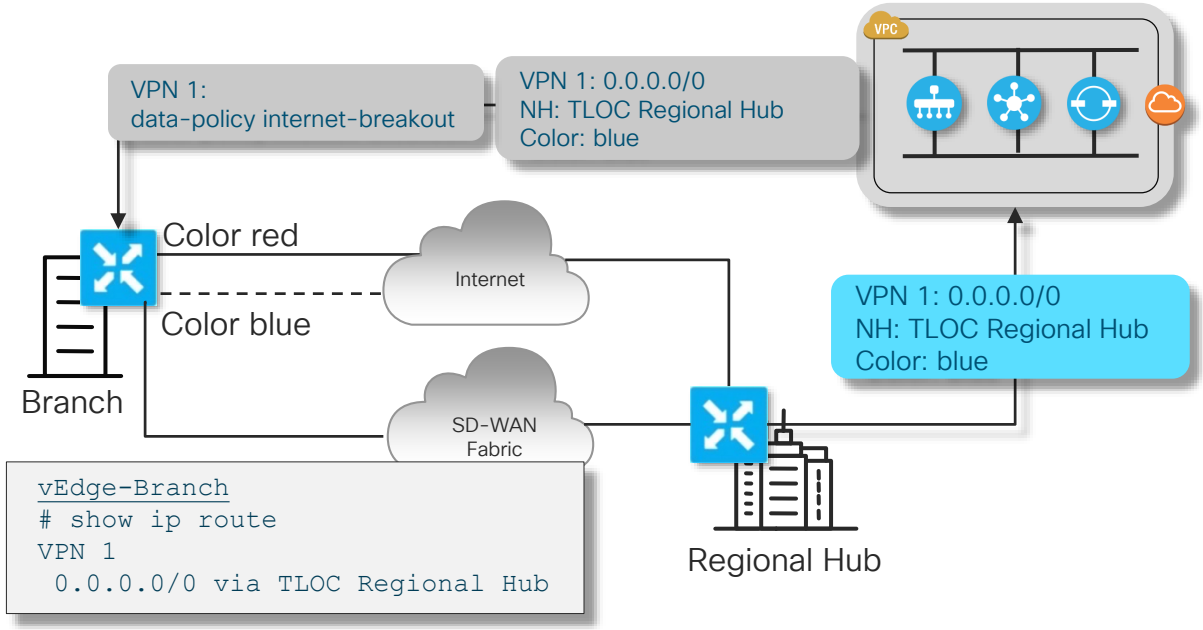
```
vSmart
policy
 data-policy internet-breakout
  vpn-list VPN1
   sequence 10
    match source-ip 10.0.0.0/8
    !
    action accept
     nat use-vpn 0
     local-tloc public-internet
```

- Policy now redirects instead of static route
  - In case local exit fails, lookup can fall back to local service VPN routing table
- Redirects traffic to interfaces in VPN 0:
  - Interfaces must have NAT enabled
  - Multiple interfaces enables per-flow load-sharing
  - Relies on VPN 0 routing table
- Can be complemented with a Tracker to monitor Internet availability beyond first hop gateway
- Local TLOC to be used can be specified

SD-WAN Internet Breakout Options

Joint Local and Regional Breakout using Data Policy + Routing

Legend:
- Original Advertisement from Endpoint
- Un/Modified Advertisement from Controller

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policy
 data-policy internet-breakout
  vpn-list VPN1
   sequence 10
    match source-ip 10.0.0.0/8
    !
    action accept
     nat use-vpn 0
     local-tloc red blue
```

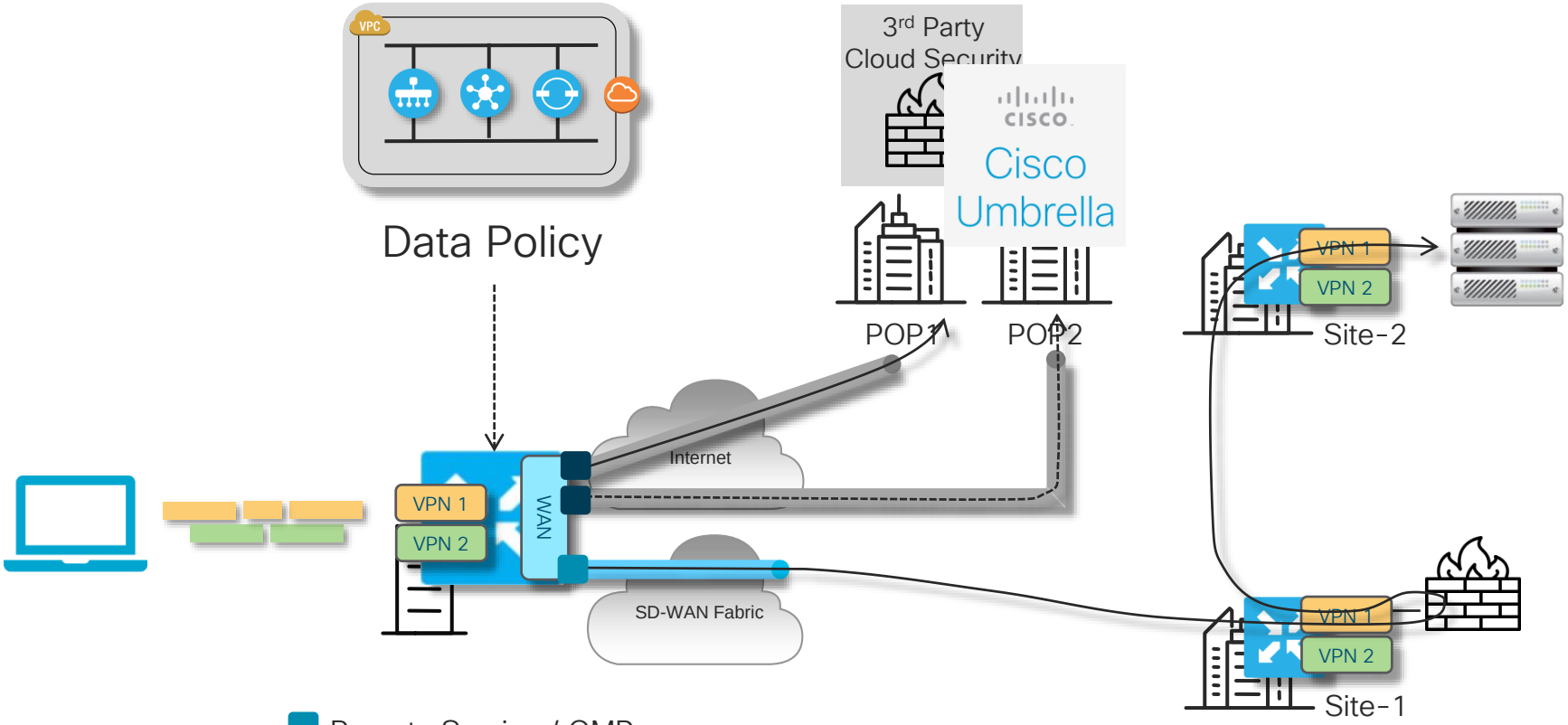
```
vEdge-Branch
# show ip route
VPN 1
 0.0.0.0/0 via TLOC Regional Hub
```

```
vEdge-Regional Hub
VPN 1
 ip route 0.0.0.0/0 null0 or
 default from OSPF/BGP
```

- Data Policy allows for granular breakout policy matching L3/L4/L7 information
  - Data Policy takes precedence
  - Default route from Regional Hub acts as backup in case TLOC Red & Blue are both down

SD-WAN Internet Breakout Options

Service Chaining – Cloud Security and Shared Services



Remote Service / OMP

Local Service

SD-WAN Internet Breakout Options

Service Chaining – Local Services – Policy Configuration

For Your Reference

```
vSmart
policy
 data-policy Cloud Security
  vpn-list vpn all
   sequence 10
    match protocol 6
    match destination-port 80 443
    !
    action accept
     set
      service FW local
     !
    !
   !
   default-action accept
```

2 Match Traffic

3 Apply Local Service

```
WAN Edge
vpn 1
 service FW interface gre1 gre2
vpn 0
 interface ge0/0
  ip address 99.88.77.66/32
  no shutdown
  nat
 !
 interface gre1
  ip address 12.13.14.15/24
  tunnel-source-interface ge0/0
  tunnel-destination 123.123.123.123
  no shutdown
 !
 interface gre2
  ip address 16.17.18.19/24
  tunnel-source-interface ge0/0
  tunnel-destination 124.124.124.124
  no shutdown
```

1 Define Local Service FW

Primary Tunnel

Backup Tunnel

- Data Policy redirection to locally configured service
- Service represented by local GRE or IPsec tunnel pre-configured on each WAN Edge

SD-WAN Internet Breakout Options

Service Chaining – Remote Services – Policy Configuration

For Your Reference

```
vSmart
policy
 data-policy Central Security
  vpn-list vpn all
   sequence 10
    match protocol 6
    match destination-port 80 443
    !
    action accept
     set
      service FW vpn 1
     !
    !
   !
   default-action accept
```

2 Match Traffic

3 Apply OMP FW Service

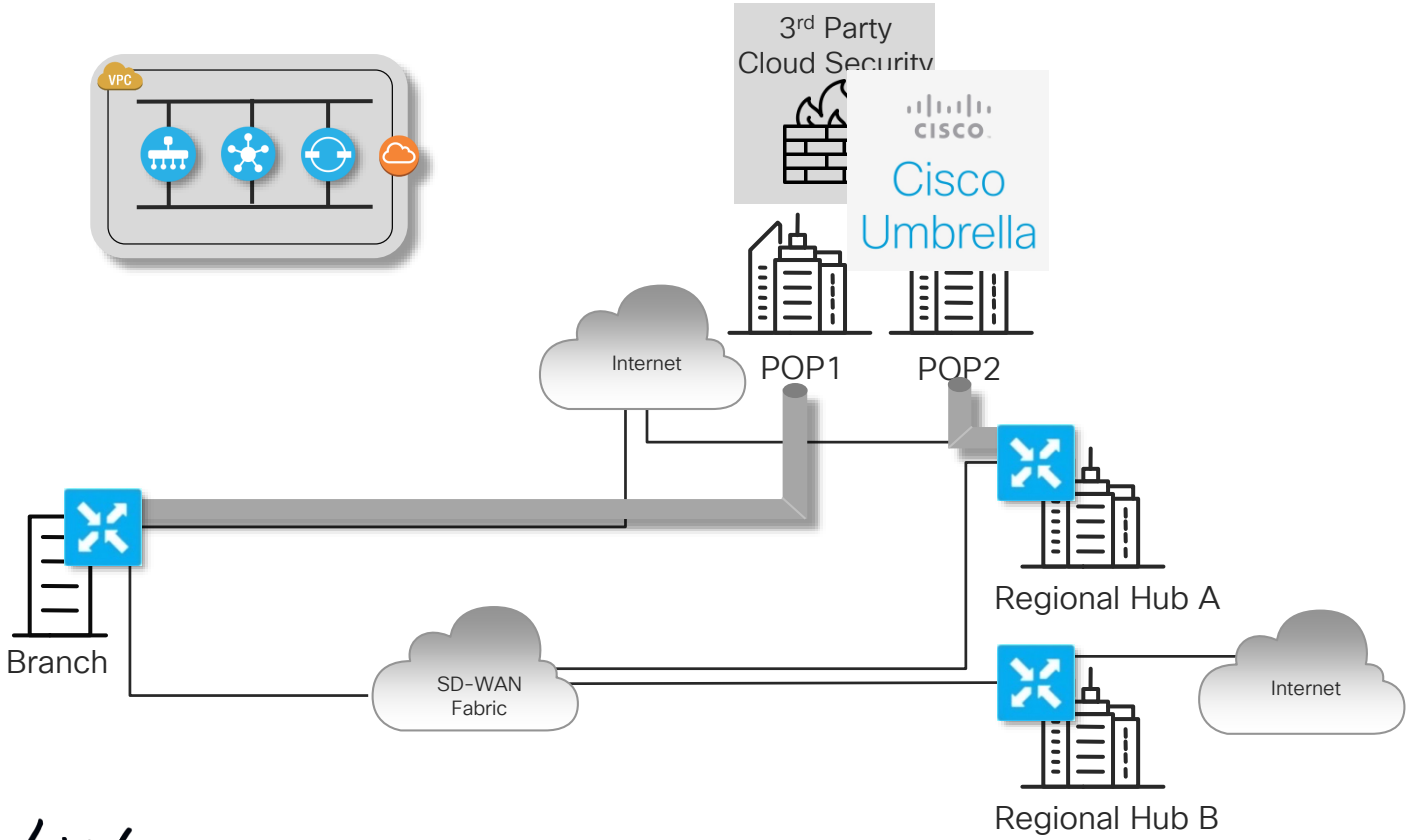
```
WAN Edge – Site1
vpn 1
 service FW address 12.13.14.100
 !
 interface ge0/0
  ip address 12.13.14.15/24
  no shutdown
```

1 Define Service FW for OMP Announcement

- Data Policy redirection to remotely configured service
- Service represented by OMP advertised service identifier
- Service association can be specified via TLOC or TLOC-list (with priorities) if needed

SD-WAN Internet Breakout Options

Joint Local and Regional Breakout using Data Policy and Cloud Security + Routing Preference



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For Your Reference

Joint Local and Regional Breakout using Data Policy and Cloud Security + Routing Preference

```
vSmart
policy
 data-policy Cloud Security
  vpn-list vpn all
   sequence 10
    match
     destination-data-prefix-list internal-prefixes
    !
    action accept
    !
   !
   sequence 20
    match
    !
    action accept
     count count_fw
     set
      service FW local [restrict]
     !
```

Exclude Internal Prefixes from Internet Breakout

Any other traffic sent to Internet Breakout

Drop Traffic if Service Down

```
policy
 lists
  data-prefix-list internal-prefixes
   ip-prefix 10.0.0.0/8
   ip-prefix 172.16.0.0/12
   ip-prefix 192.168.0.0/16
```

```
WAN-Edge-Branch
vpn 1
 service FW interface gre1
vpn 0
 interface gre1
  ip address 12.13.14.15/24
  tunnel-source-interface ge0/0
  tunnel-destination 123.123.123.123
  no shutdown
```

```
WAN-Edge-Regional Hub A
vpn 1
 service FW interface gre1
 ! ip route 0.0.0.0/0 null0 or
 ! default from OSPF/BGP
```

```
WAN-Edge-Regional Hub B
vpn 1
 ! ip route 0.0.0.0/0 null0 or
 ! default from OSPF/BGP
```

SD-WAN Internet Breakout Options

For Your Reference

Joint Local and Regional Breakout using Data Policy and Cloud Security + Routing Preference

vSmart Control Policy

```
vSmart
Policy
 lists
  prefix-list default_route
   ip-prefix 0.0.0.0/0
  !
 !
 control-policy default_priority
  sequence 10
   match route
    prefix-list default_route
    site-id Regional Hub A
    !
    action accept
     set
      preference 100
    !
   !
  !
  default-action accept
```

Default from Hub A gets higher preference

WAN Edge Static TLOC preference

```
WAN-Edge-Regional Hub A
vpn 0
 interface ge0/0
  tunnel-interface
   encapsulation ipsec preference 100
!
vpn 1
 ! ip route 0.0.0.0/0 null0 or
 ! default from OSPF/BGP
```

```
WAN-Edge-Regional Hub B
vpn 0
 interface ge0/0
  tunnel-interface
vpn 1
 ! ip route 0.0.0.0/0 null0 or
 ! default from OSPF/BGP
```

SD-WAN Internet Breakout Options

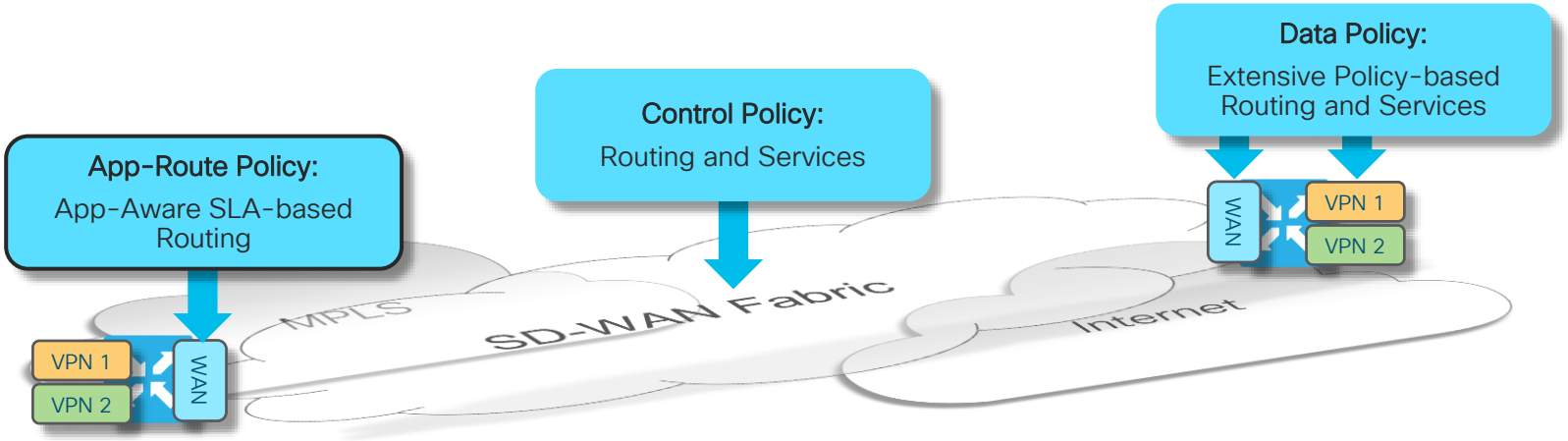
Application Specific Breakout

- The Data Policy construct can also be used to locally breakout specific applications with defined DPI signatures (e.g. O365, FaceBook, Youtube)
- Example:
  - Office365 to be locally broken out
  - All other Internet traffic via regional exit
- Arrangements required for supporting O365
  - Data Policy for breaking out locally
  - Default route from regional exit for two purposes:
    - Breakout for all non O365 traffic
    - O365 session establishment involves quite a few protocols beyond the core O365 protocols – A default route from somewhere is required to deal with those applications and allow for successful O365 operations
- SD-AVC support to provide Application Recognition from the first packet

SLA-Driven Path Selection using App-Route Policies

Cisco SD-WAN Policy Architecture

Suite of Policies to address different functional domains



- Control Policies are applied at vSmart: Tailors routing information advertised to Edge endpoints
- App-Route Policies are applied at WAN Edge: SLA-driven path selection for applications
- Data Policies are applied at WAN Edge: Extensive Policy driven routing

App-Route Policies

App-route Components and Dependencies

BFD Settings
BFD rx_interval and multiplier settings
(only rx_interval is relevant to AAR)

```
bfd
 color <color>
  hello-interval <msec>
  multiplier <number>
```

App-route algorithm configuration
Define how SLA data is used to influence path selection

```
bfd
 app-route
  multiplier <number>
  poll-interval <msec>
```

App-route Policy Definition
Define SLA-classes, Application associations, VPN applicability and Policy actions/preferences

```
SLA-classes
Policy Construct
 match
 action
```

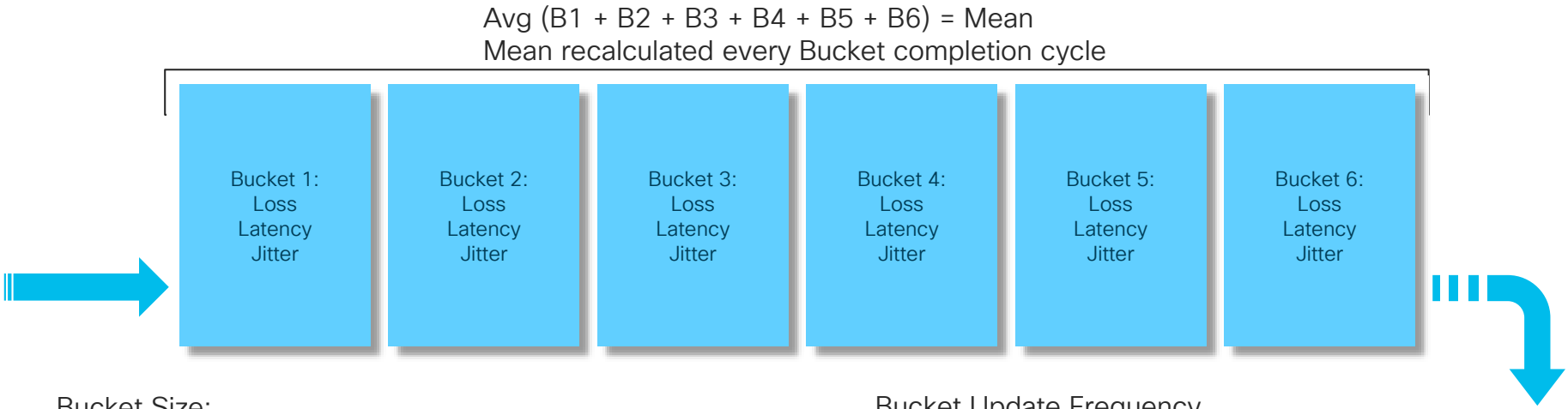
DPI Engine Enablement
AAR relies on DPI for L7 signatures

```
policy
 app-visibility
```

*https://sdwan-docs.cisco.com/Product_Documentation/Software_Features/Release_18.4/07Policy_Applications/01Application-Aware_Routing/01Configuring_Application-Aware_Routing

App-Route Policies

App-route Algorithm



Bucket Size:

```
bfd
 app-route poll-interval
```
(default 600,000 ms)

# of Buckets:

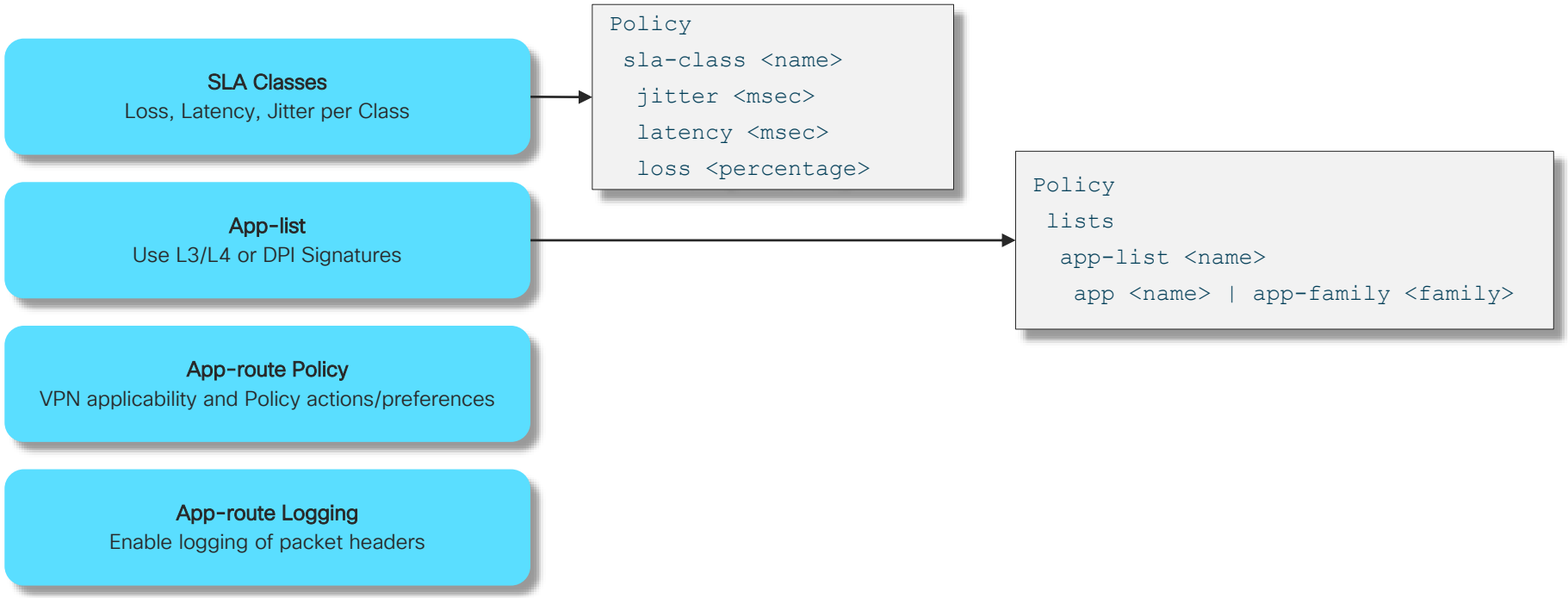
```
bfd
 app-route multiplier
```
(default 6)

Bucket Update Frequency

```
bfd
 hello-interval
```
(default 1000ms)

App-Route Policies

App-route Policy Definition



App-Route Policies

App-route Policy Definition

SLA Classes
Loss, Latency, Jitter per Class

App-list
Use L3/L4 or DPI Signatures

App-route Policy
VPN applicability and Policy actions/preferences

App-route Logging
Enable logging of packet headers

1. For traffic not explicitly matched in policy
2. For traffic with an SLA-class disqualified across all links
3. Drop traffic if SLA-class is disqualified
4. One or more preferred colors if multiple links qualify

```
Policy
 app-route-policy <name>
  vpn-list <vpn-list>
   default-action sla-class <name>                    1
   sequence <number>
    match
     …
    action
     backup-sla-preferred-color [list]                2
     count <name>
     log
     sla-class <name> [strict] [preferred-color [list]]
                              3                       4
```

App-Route Policies

Policy Example

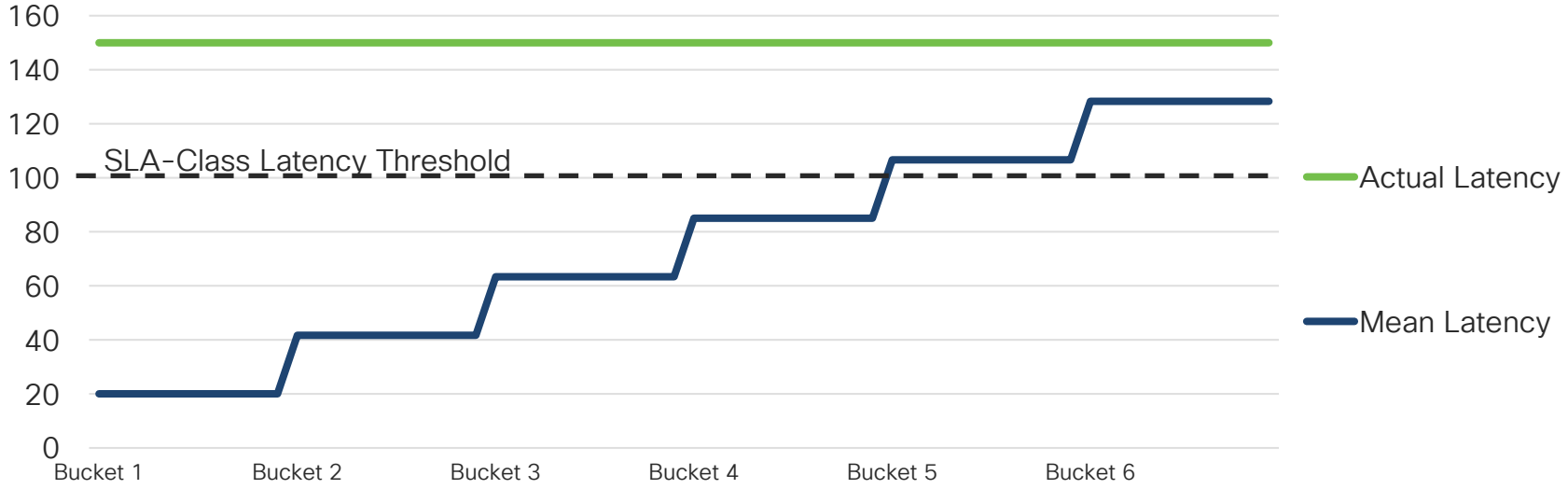
For Your Reference

```
policy
 lists
  vpn-list VPN1
   vpn 1
  !
  site-list app-route-sites
   site-id 3003
  !
  app-list AVV
   app-family audio_video
  !
  app-list SFDC
    app salesforce
  !
```

```
apply-policy
 site-list app-route-sites
  app-route-policy SLA-Routing
```

```
Policy
 sla-class EF
  loss    1
  latency 100
 !
 sla-class Biz-apps
  loss    2
  latency 150
 !
 app-route-policy SLA-Routing
  vpn-list VPN1
   sequence 10
    match app-list AVV
    !
    action
     sla-class EF
    !
   !
   sequence 20
    match app-list SFDC
    !
    action
     sla-class Biz-apps
    !
   !
```

App-route Policy Path Convergence

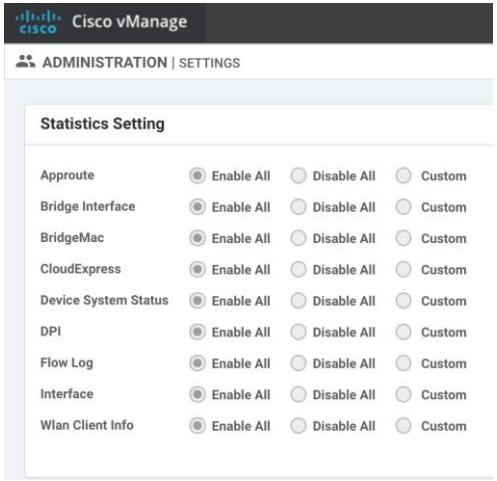


Current Mean Latency is 20ms, when Latency jumps to 150ms as Bucket 1 collection starts

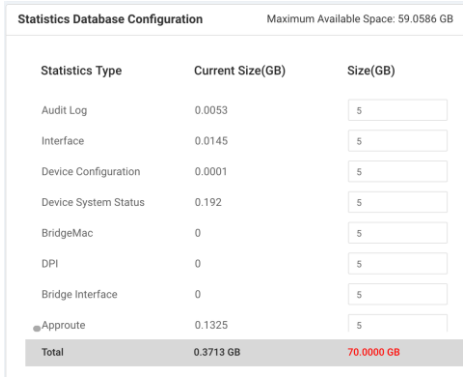
Recommended Settings and Operational Best Practices

vManage Statistics Collection

Configuration and Volumes



- Configure collection per category and per device
- Custom allows to control collection of each category on a per device basis



- Storage can be assigned for individual categories to reflect:
  - Collection not being enabled
  - Storage assignments and data lifetime

Overlay and vEdge Recommended Settings

Useful Settings to get Right the First Time

- System-IP
  - Pick a range for the entire network that does not overlap with other addressing
  - Not routed but significant to anything present in VPN 0 / Transport
  - An incorrectly chosen range or System-IP setting can cause connectivity issues
- Site-ID
  - The target for policy application and identifier of routing sources (ref: BGP AS)
  - Several schemes documented and one is discussed later on
- Vmanage connection preference
  - Determines which TLOC is used for vManage traffic (statistics upload etc)
  - Advised to use the highest bandwidth link and avoid cellular interfaces
- Max-control-connections
  - Determines how many vSmart sessions are established per TLOC
  - For Transports without controller access, it must be set to Zero (0)

Template Creation Guidelines

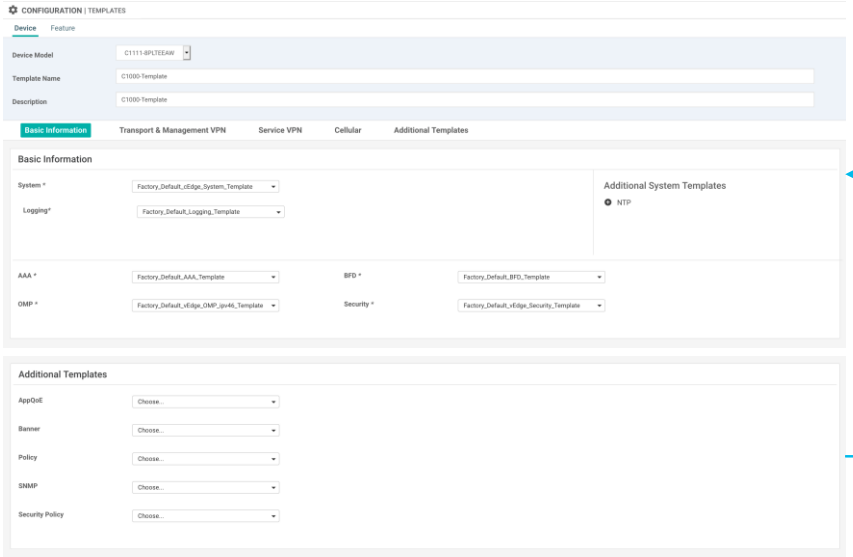
Templates are Friends

- Plan for template creation and test out features to be deployed
  - Allows for the optimization of template structure and maintenance
- Use a simple ”bootstrap” template for distributed devices that are not yet in production
  - The device is then in a known state and vManaged
  - Tracking events is easier if a logical name is applied
  - The local configuration of the device can’t be changed
  - The device can be moved to production (or any other state) at will from vManage
- The template can be changed at any time from within vManage
- Template Variables can be managed in several different ways:
  - Entered manually at time of template attachment
  - Stored in a .csv file that is referenced at time of template application
  - Using the REST API (possibly in conjunction with other platforms such as Infoblox)

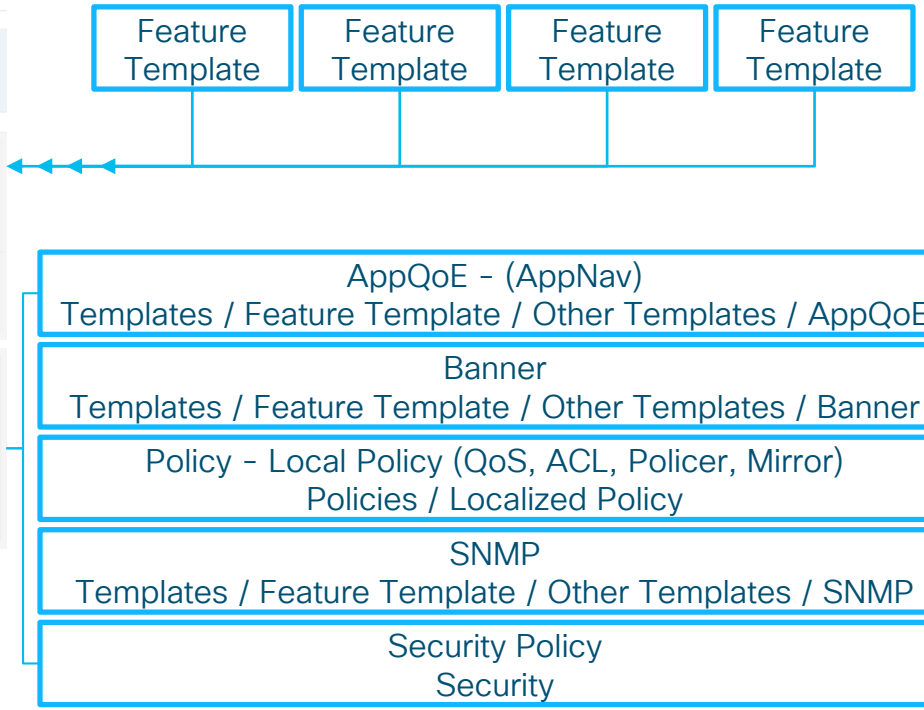
Template Creation

Feature Template Components and Sources

Device Template – Aggregate Configuration Template

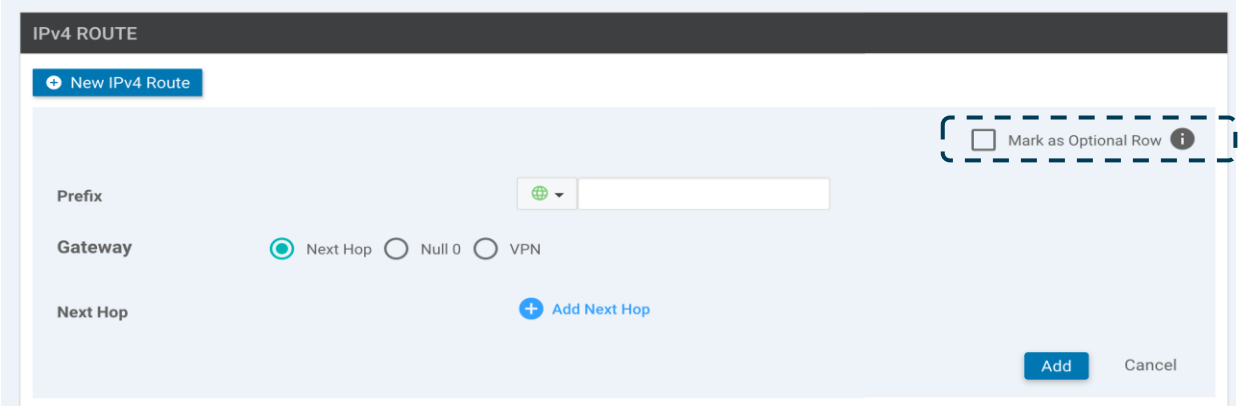


Dedicated or Shared Feature Templates



Template Creation – Device Template

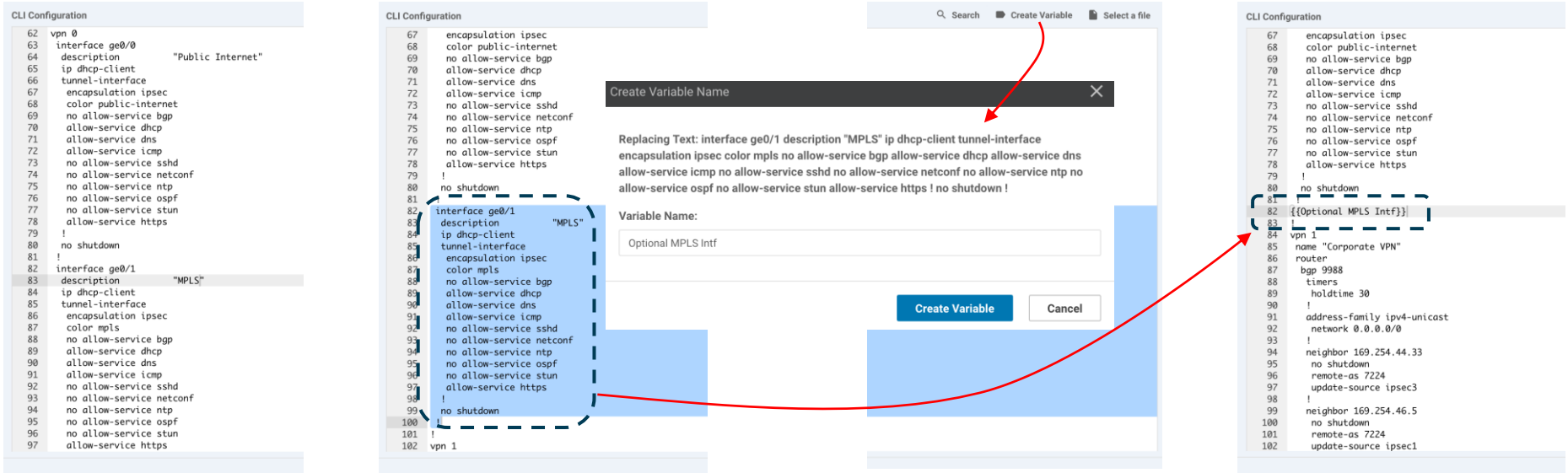
Optimizing object use in a Device Template – Optional Objects



- Using Device Templates, quite a few objects can be tagged as Optional
- Simply not assigning a value at template application leaves the object out of the created configuration
- This makes Device Templates flexible to support a variety of different configurations

Template Creation – CLI Template

Optimizing object use in CLI template by means of variables



- In a CLI template, an arbitrary number of lines can be turned into a variable
- Assigning this variable a “;” at template application leaves the section out of the created configuration
- This makes CLI Templates flexible to support a variety of different configurations

Policy Creation and Management Guidelines

Really not different from standard operations

- Define Requirements up front
  - Important Applications
  - Segmentation and Connectivity Models
  - SLA and QoS Requirements
  - Application Pinning, Breakout, Hosting, Routing i.e. Application Management Requirements
- Use a sandbox for verification and testing
  - A separate domain where policies and requirements can be tested
  - Can be part of the production network, simply a separate Site-ID range
- Limit Policy Management to a few capable resources

Construction of SD-WAN Policies

Policy Building Blocks

Lists

- **Application**
- Color
- Data Prefix
- Policer
- Prefix
- Site
- SLA Class
- TLOC
- VPN

Policy

```
Policy Type

Policy Sequence 1
Match <route | tloc | Application>
Action <Accept | Reject | set >

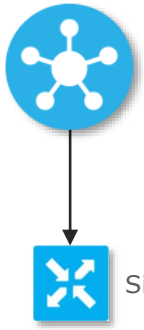
Policy Sequence 2
Match <route | tloc | Application>
Action <Accept | Reject | set >

Default Action
<Accept | Reject>
```

Apply Policy

```
Site-List

Policy <type> <name>
Direction (if applicable)
```



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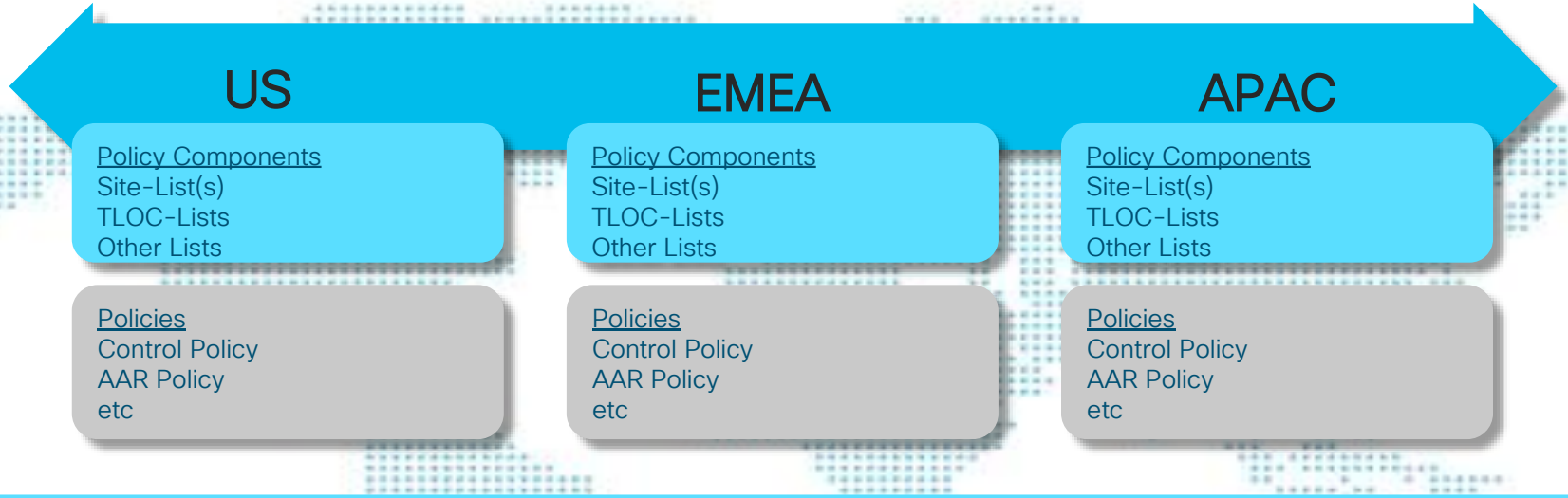
Best Practices



- Create and Maintain separate Lists and Policies per network region (and a sandbox if possible)
- Make modifications to a copy of the original and swap the copy with the original when applying
- More complex policies can be large and updates should be tested before applied to the live network

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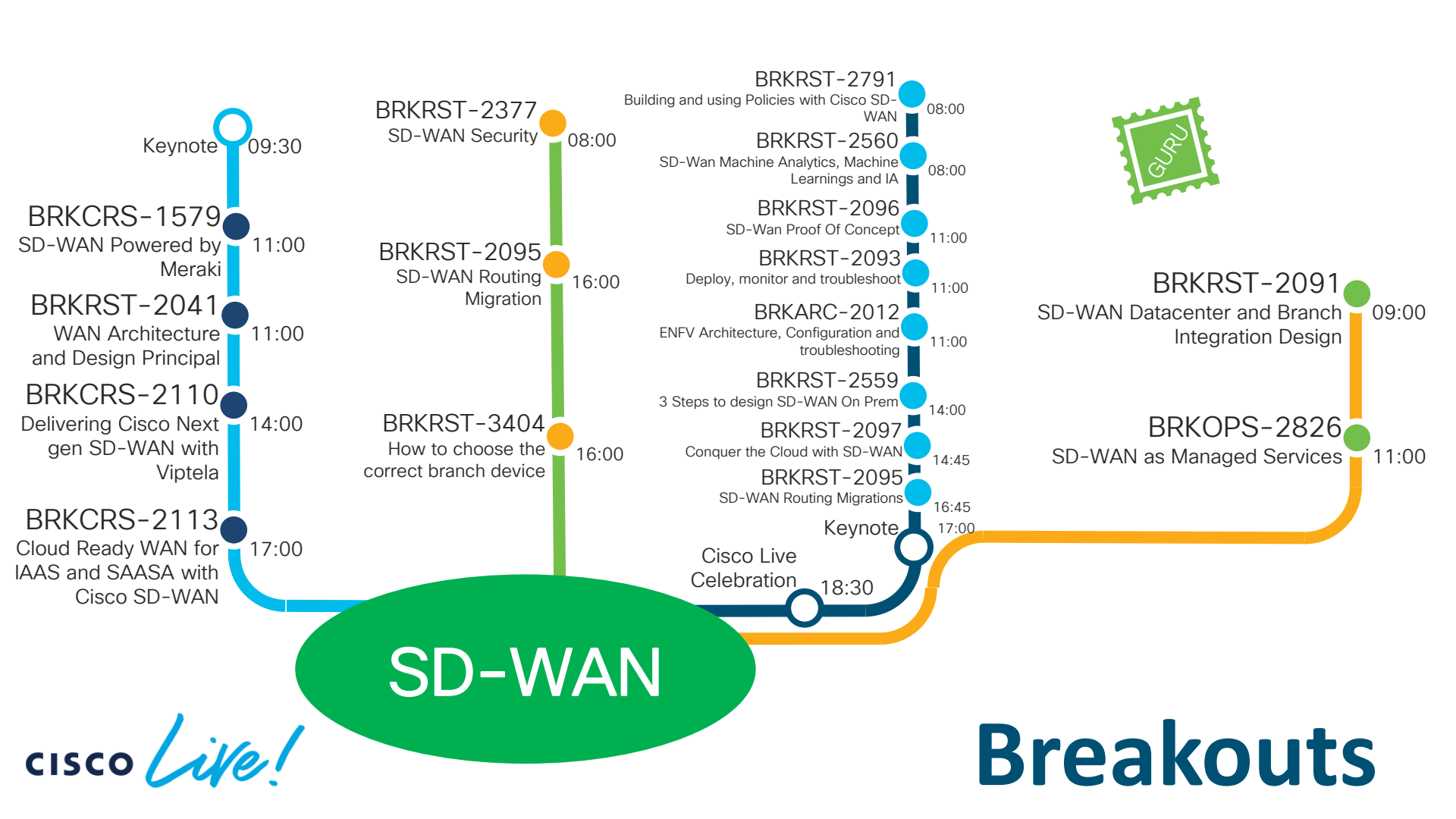
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