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# Enabling Cloud Services at the Edge with App Hosting on Catalyst 9000

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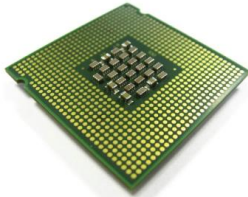
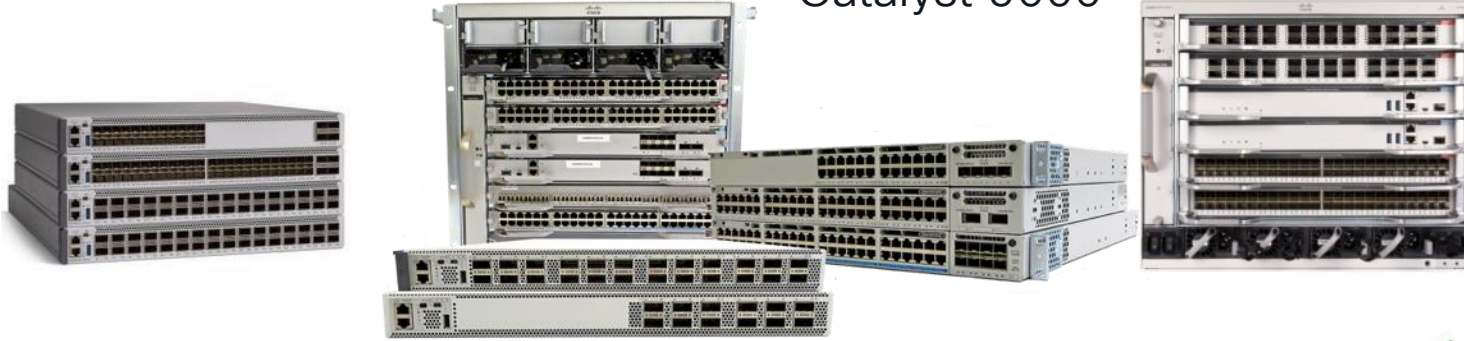


# Agenda

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- App Hosting Infra & Security
- Catalyst 9000 Containers Networking
- Application Lifecycle Management
- Application HA
- Cloud Services at the Edge
- Conclusion

# Networking Today ...

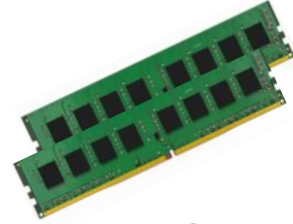
Catalyst 9000



x86 CPU



Linux-based OS



Memory/Storage

Enables hosting docker containers and 3<sup>rd</sup> party apps

# New strategic capabilities with App Hosting on C9K Switches

Existing Hardware

Managed via CLI  
or DNA-C

Real Time Processing

Lower Latency

Save Bandwidth



IT Operations and  
Monitoring Tools

Consolidate  
Physical  
Infrastructure



Security Agents  
and Functions

Enhance Visibility &  
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Cloud Gateways with  
Serverless Edge Compute

Reduce App Latency  
& Optimize App  
Traffic



Customer Specific  
Applications

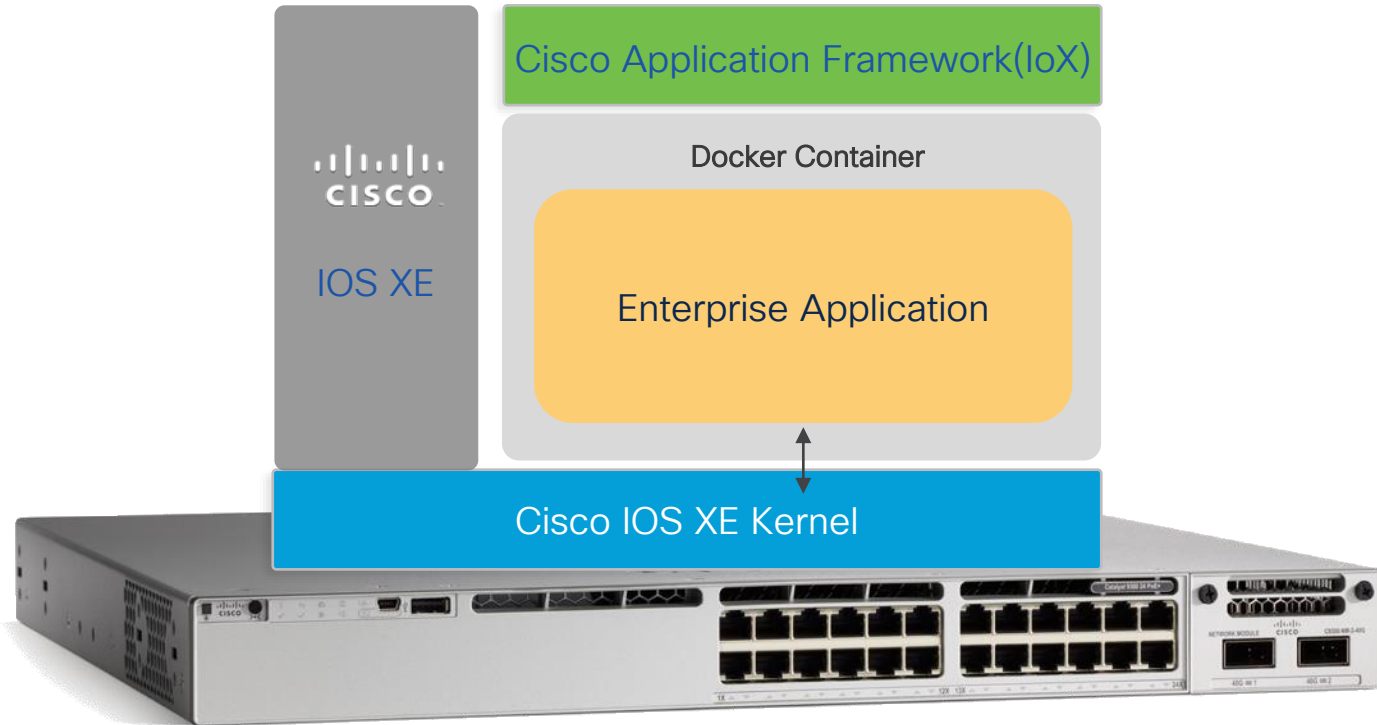
3<sup>rd</sup> Party App  
Hosting

Rich ecosystem  
partnership with 25+  
certified apps and  
200+ active  
customer

# App Hosting Infra & Security



# Catalyst 9000 Application Hosting Infra





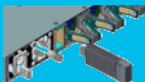
# HW resources for App Hosting

	Resource type	Catalyst 9300	Catalyst 9300-X	Catalyst 9400	Catalyst 9400-X	Catalyst 9500	Catalyst 9500-X	Catalyst 9600	Catalyst 9600-X
Networking	AppGig Port	1x1G	2x10G	1x1G	2x10G	Mgmt Port*	2x10G	Mgmt Port*	Mgmt Port* (2x10G CPU ports)
Resources	Memory	2GB	8GB	8GB	8GB	8GB	8GB	8GB	8GB
	CPU	1 core	2 core	1 core	1 core	1 core	1 core	1 core	1 core
	Storage	240GB (USB3.0/SSD)	240GB (USB3.0/SSD)	480-960GB (SATA)	480-960GB (SATA)	480-960GB (SATA)	480-960GB (SATA)	480-960GB (SATA)	480-960GB (SATA)

\* Using loopback with any external ports

**Catalyst 9300-X**

USB 3.0  
240GB




Back panel



**Catalyst 9400-X**

M2 SATA  
480/960GB




Plug into removable SUP



**Catalyst 9500-X**

M2 SATA  
480/960GB




Back panel



**Catalyst 9600-X**

M2 SATA  
480/960GB

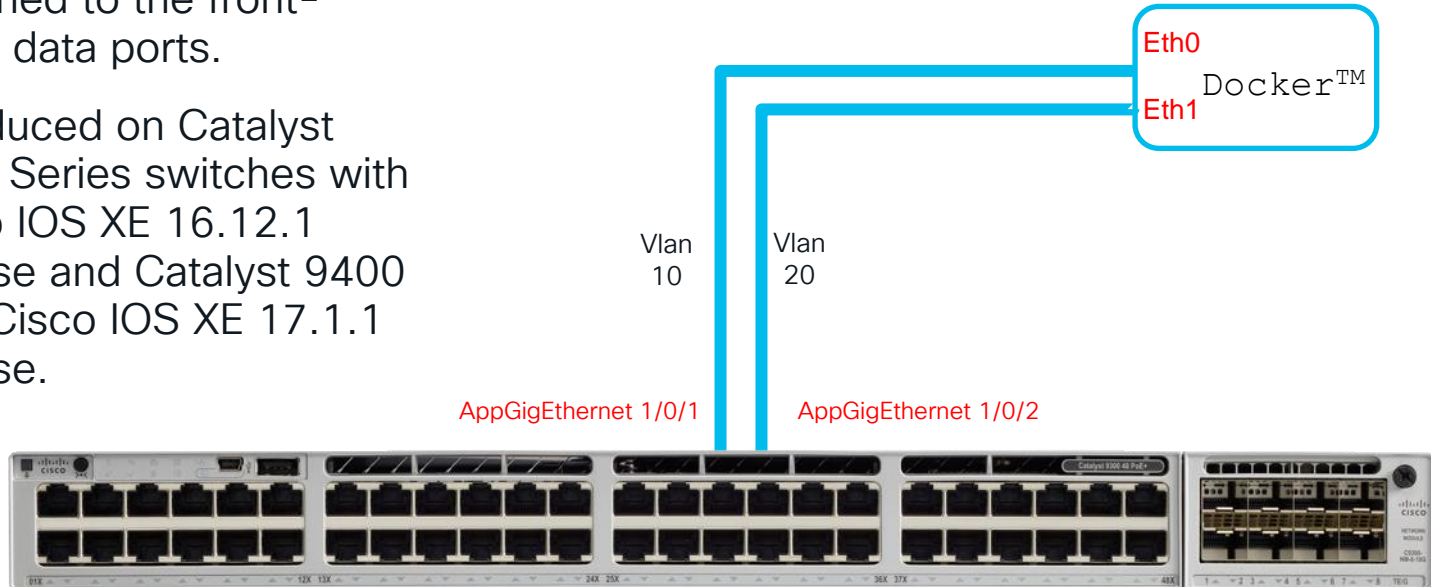


Plug into removable SUP



# AppGigEthernet Port

- An internal hardware data port which is hardware-switched to the front-panel data ports.
- Introduced on Catalyst 9300 Series switches with Cisco IOS XE 16.12.1 release and Catalyst 9400 with Cisco IOS XE 17.1.1 release.

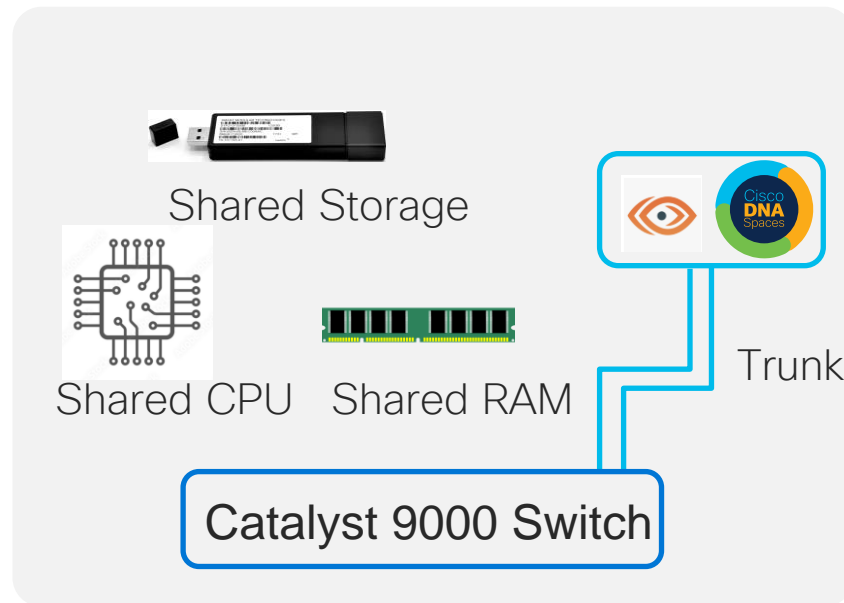


# Multiple Applications Support on Catalyst 9K

17.5.1

## Requirements :

- Cisco Signed Applications Only  
(ex. ThousandEyes, IoT Gateway)
- Must use SSD Storage
- Enough HW resources should be available to run all applications
- AppGigabitEthernet ports config must not create a conflict between the apps



HW resource can be customized via DNA-C and CLI

# IOS XE performance and security protection



- Memory and CPU usage for Apps are bounded using Control groups (cgroups).
- Process and files access for Apps are isolated and restricted (using user namespace)
- Disk usage is isolated using separate storage.

# Storage security

SSD offers two layers of security:

- AES-256 Hardware encryption on SSD
- Passcode Authentication on the switch and SSD



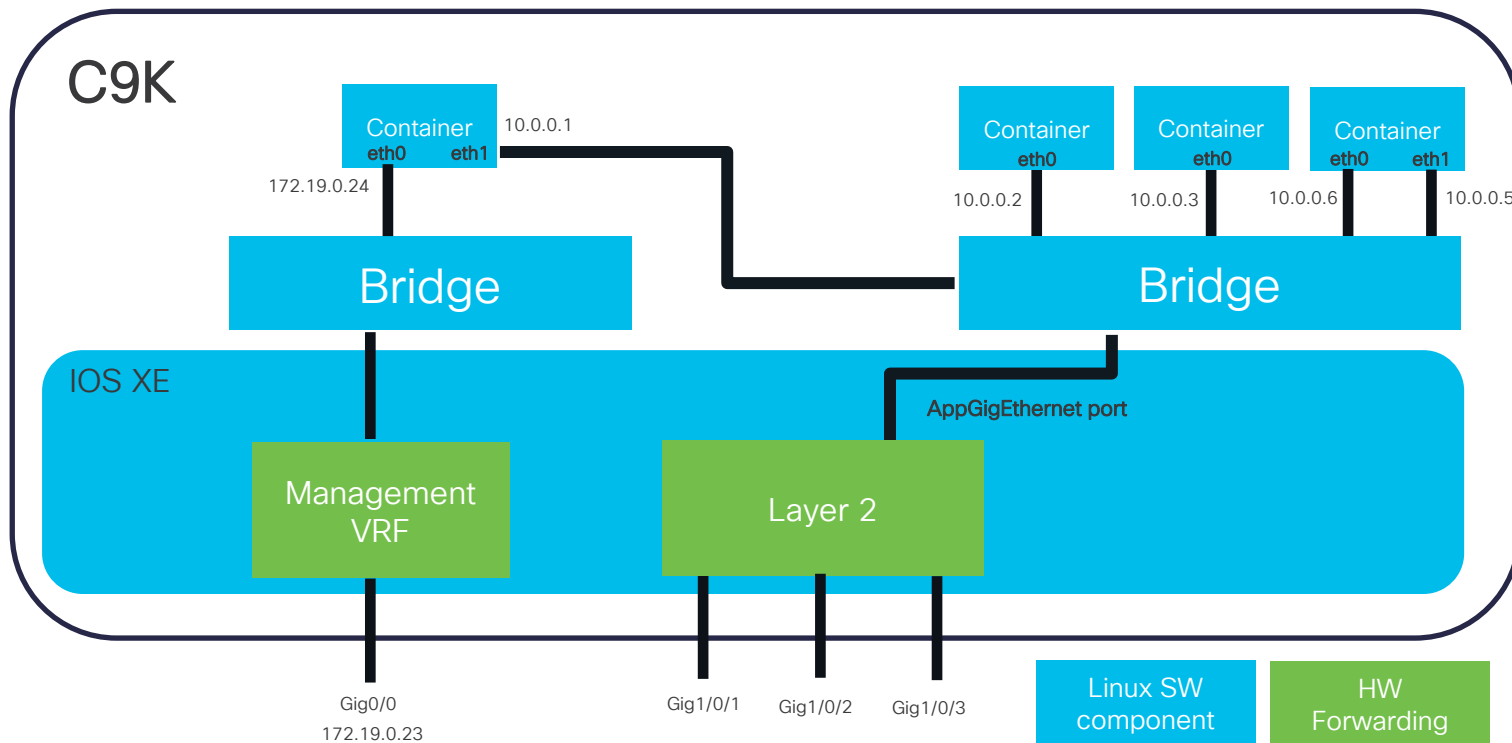
- Switch#hw-module switch 1 usbflash1 security ?  
disable   disable security on USB3.0  
enable    Enable security on USB3.0  
unlock    Unlock USB3.0

```
Switch# conf t
Switch(config)# hw-module switch 1 usbflash1-password
Switch(config)# no hw-module switch 1 usbflash1-password
```

# Catalyst 9000 Containers Networking



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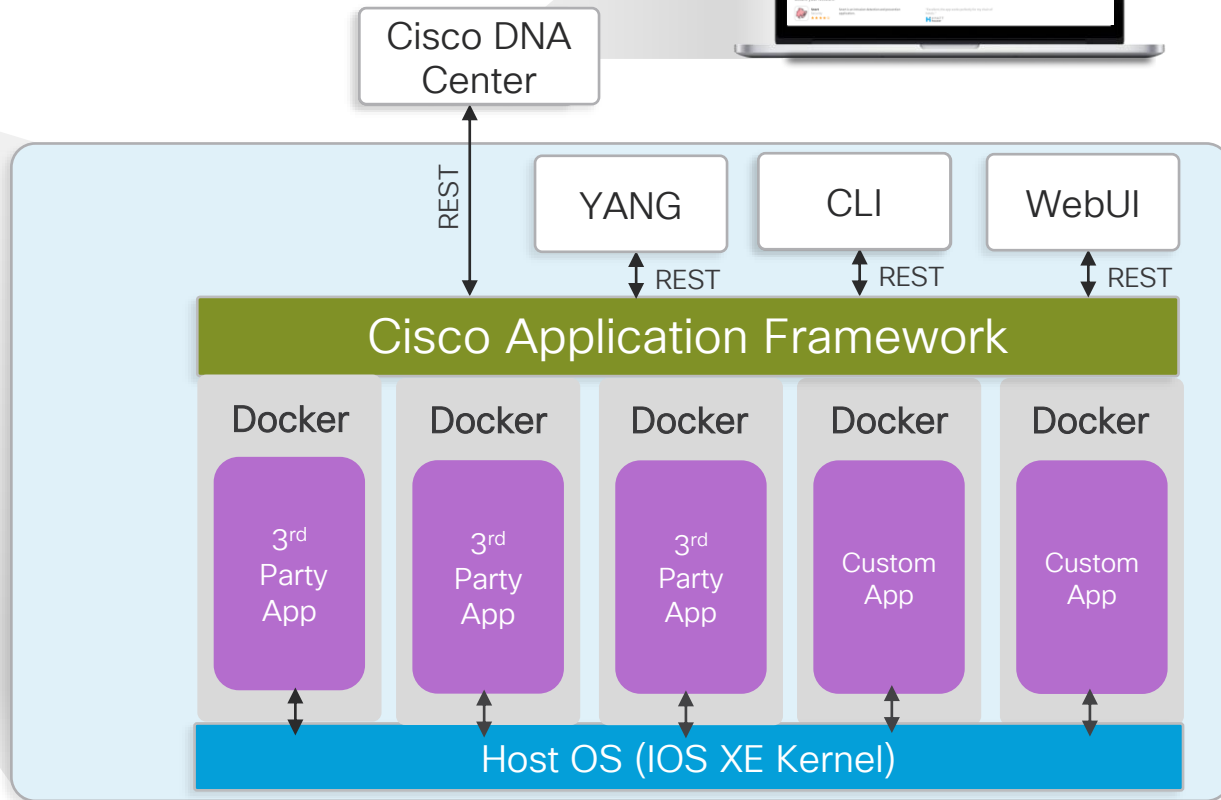
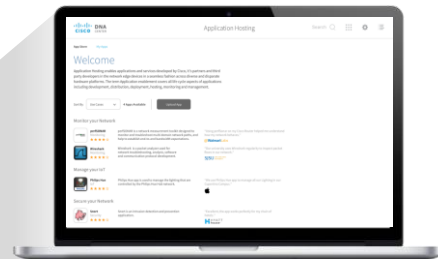


# App Lifecycle Management

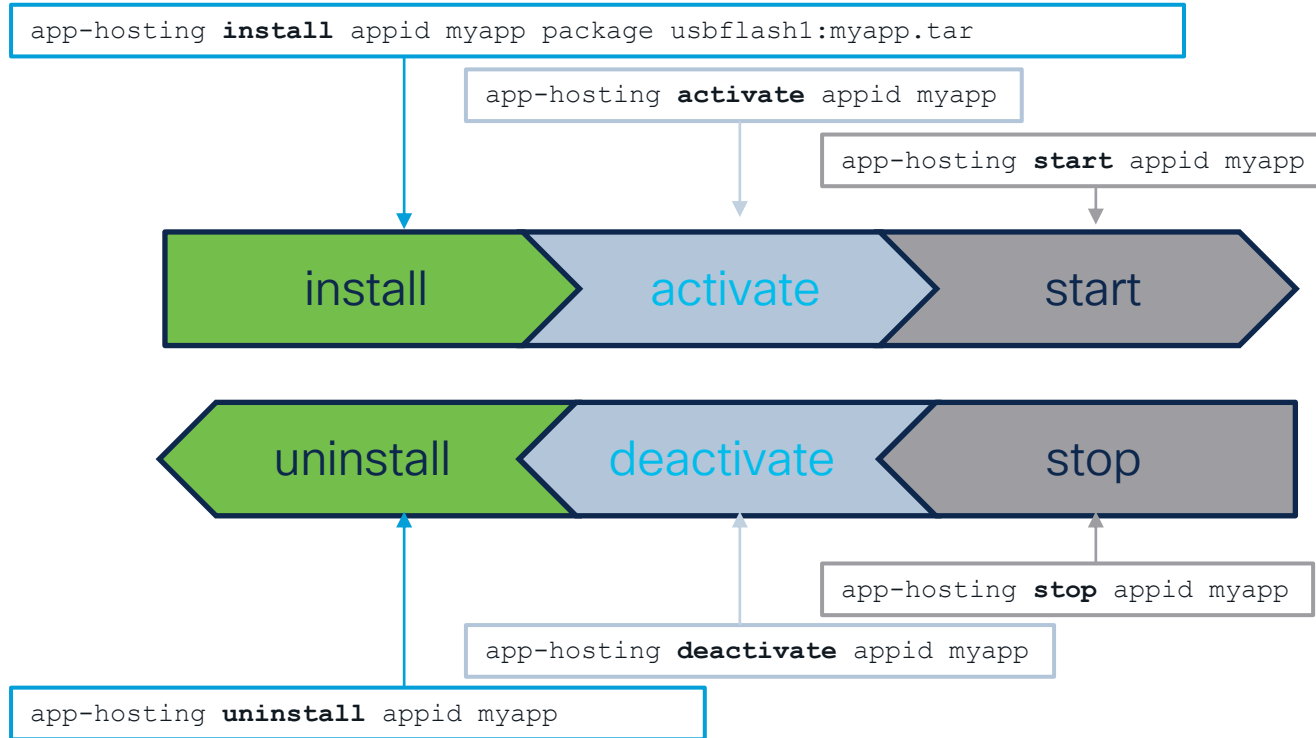




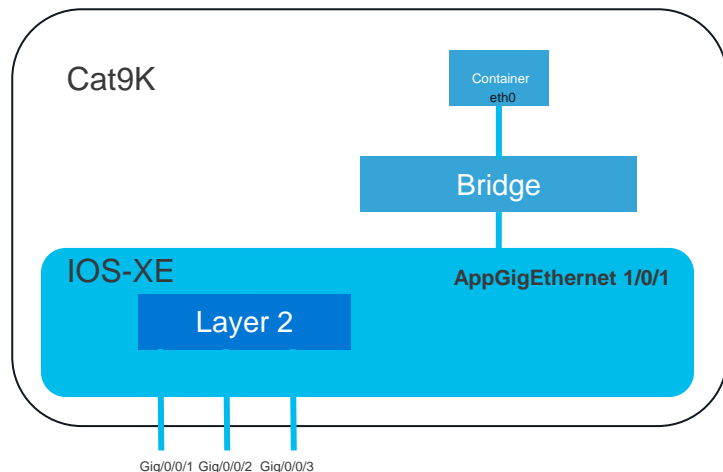
# Application Management



# App Lifecycle Management – State Transitions



# CLI deployment



## Enable IOX :

```
conf t
iox
```

## AppGigEthernet Configuration :

```
interface AppGigabitEthernet1/0/1
  switchport trunk allowed vlan <vlan-id>
  switchport mode trunk
```

## App Configuration :

```
app-hosting appid <app-name>
app-vnic AppGigabitEthernet trunk
  vlan <vlan-id> guest-interface 0 ← refer to eth 0
  guest-ipaddress <app-ip> netmask <mask>
app-default-gateway <gateway-ip> guest-interface 0

app-resource docker
  run-opts 1 "-e xxxxxxxxxxxx "
  prepend-package-opts
```

## Run TE App:

```
app-hosting activate appid <app-name>

app-hosting start appid <app-name>
```

## Verify TE App:

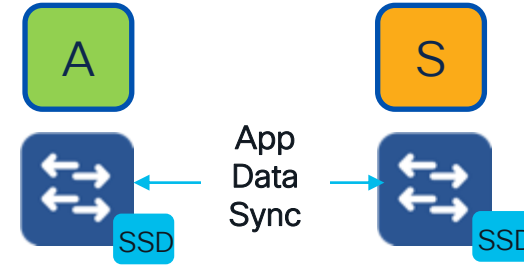
```
Show app-hosting list
```

# Application HA



# App Hosting High Availability with Auto-Restart

- Provides cold restartability of application and the underlying app hosting framework
- Retain the last configured operational state of app in the event of system switchover or restart
- 1+1 redundancy mode
- Same storage type (Flash\* or SSD) required on both Active and Standby
- Enabled by default

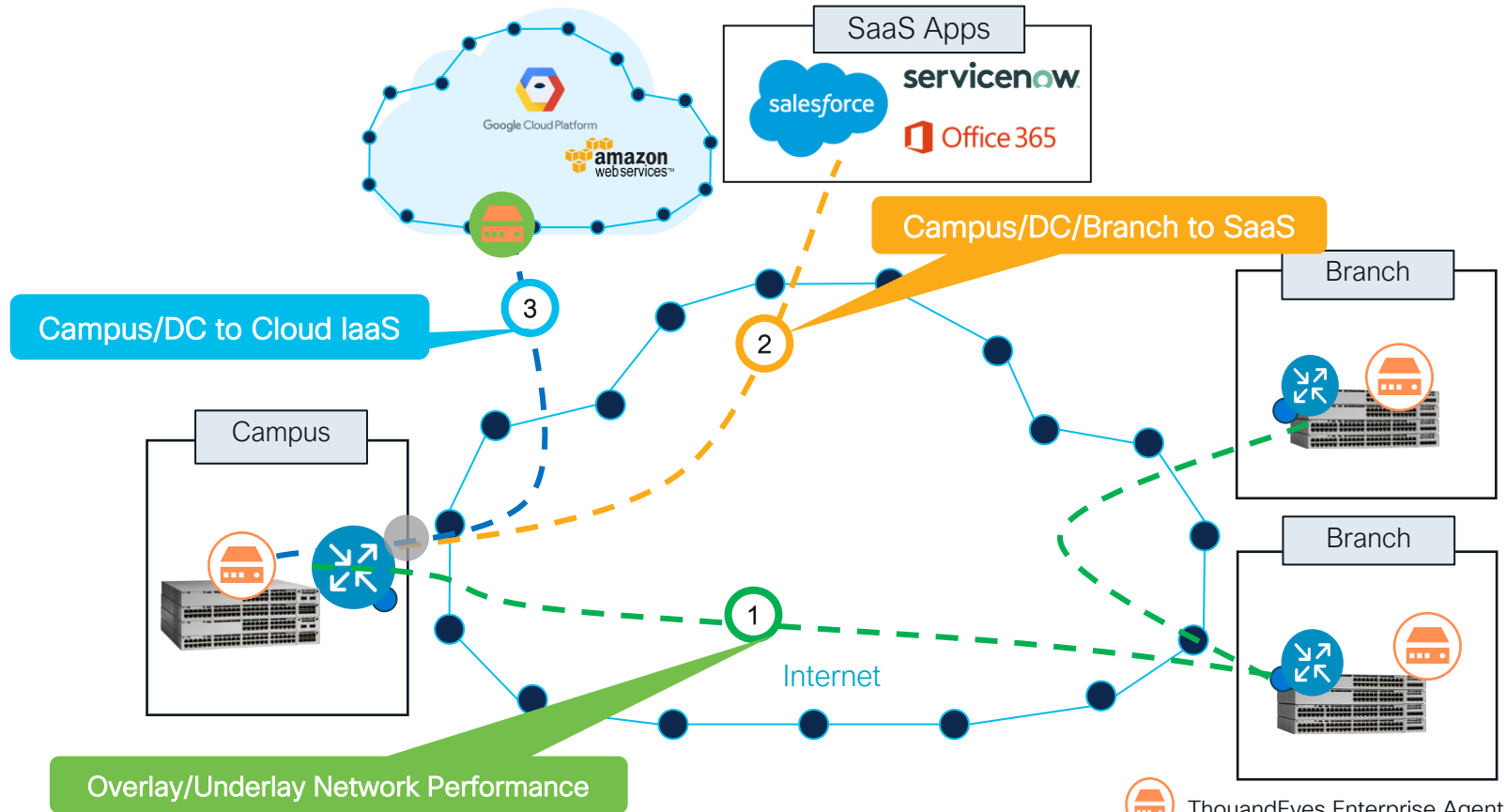


Supported Platforms	Release
9300 StackWise (1+1 mode only)	17.2.1
9400 Dual Sup (Single Chassis & StackWise Virtual)	17.5.1
9500H StackWise Virtual	17.5.1
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\* Flash is only for Cisco Singed app

# Cloud Services at the Edge

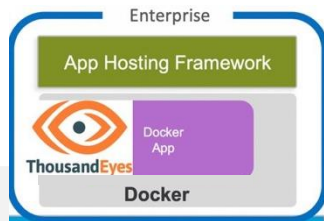
# Service Assurance with ThousandEyes



# ThousandEyes now included with Cisco DNA licenses

New and existing Catalyst 9000 switches now include ThousandEyes service assurance

## App hosting: no extra hardware



- Run ThousandEyes agent natively on flash of 9300/9400 switches
- Out of the box access to ThousandEyes for new switches

## DNA subscription benefits



DNA Essentials

DNA Advantage

DNA Premier



- Includes 22 x ThousandEyes Units for a month
- Pool entitled test capacity to deploy anywhere within your network

## Data Visualization



- License to ThousandEyes SaaS-based management platform
- Access to Dashboards, alerts and reporting tools



Campus  
connectivity



Modern WAN

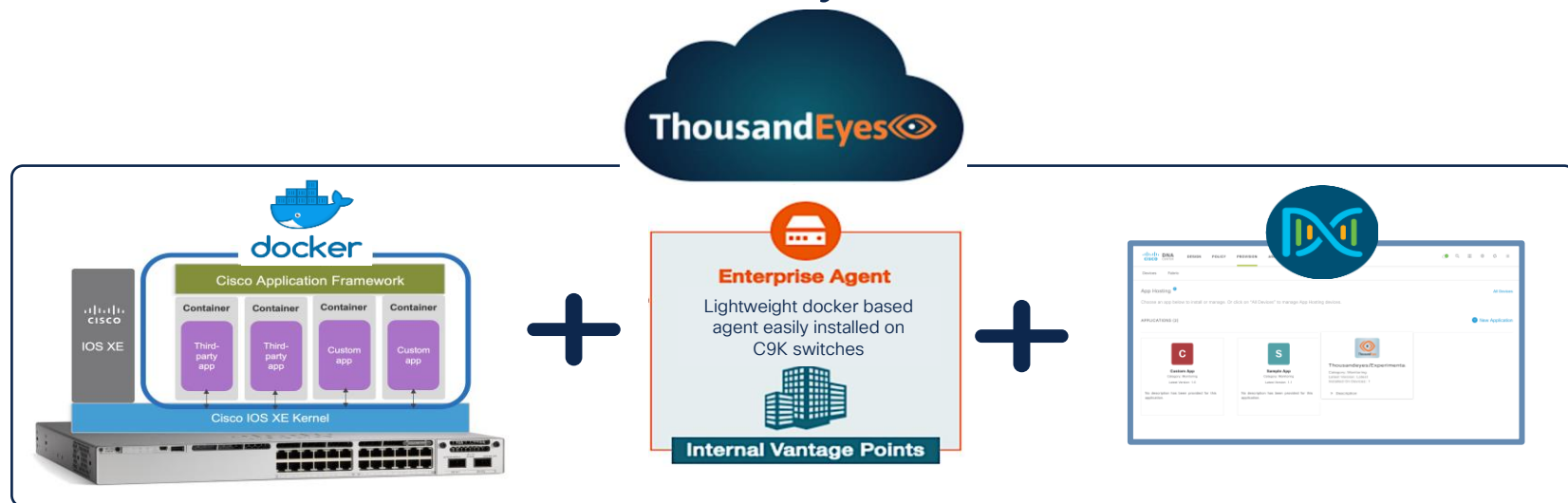


Application  
experience

\*Choose from a menu of several networking, web and voice tests  
Browser-based tests need the use of SSD and consume more ThousandEyes units



# Service Assurance from Catalyst 9000



ThousandEyes  
Enterprise Agent

Agent installed in Flash

Test Included:

- **Web** – HTTP Server, FTP Server
- **DNS** – DNS Server, DNS Trace, DNSSEC
- **Network** – Agent to Agent, Agent to Server
- **Voice** – SIP Server, RTP Stream, Voice Call

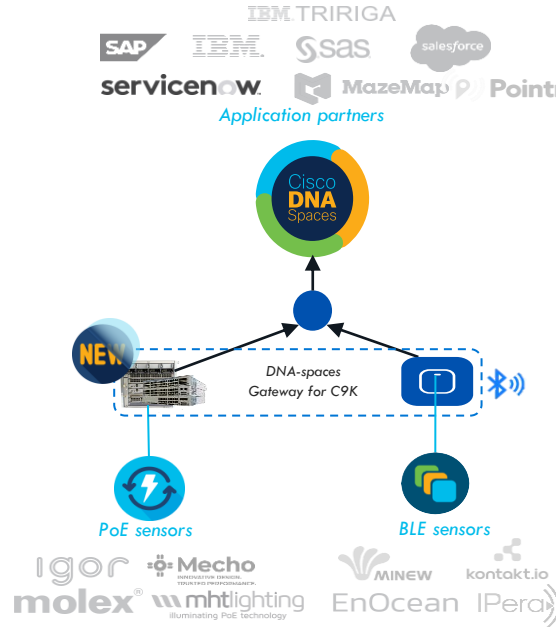
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- **BrowserBot** – Page load & Transaction (IOS-XE 17.6.1 required)

# Catalyst 9K expands value for Smart buildings

Next: DNA-spaces gateway for Catalyst 9K will expand outcomes



## New use cases

- Sustainable buildings
- Employee health & Safety
- Productivity Improvement
- Building Analytics

## Unified Marketplace

- Largest choice of IoT devices
- Unmatched solution scale
- Cisco validated

## Lower TCO

- Automated workflows
- No vendor lock-ins
- Cloud based as-a-service

\*Source: Cisco Smart building TCO calculator

# Use Cases

## User Experience

### Conference Room Booking

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Cisco Catalyst 9K



Cisco DNA Spaces



PoE lights & Sensors



Cisco Catalyst Wireless  
LAN Controller



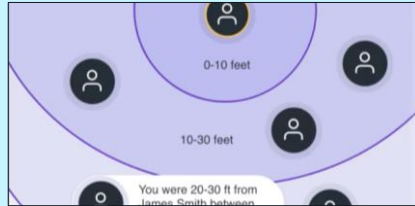
Cisco Catalyst Wireless  
LAN Controller



POE sensors / HVAC

## Safety & Compliance

### Density Triggers



### Device/People Counting



## Automation & Optimization

### Environmental Monitoring & Asset location



# Indoor IoT Services – Overview

## DNA Spaces cloud

- IoT Market place and Partner Apps.
- Firehose API

## DNA Spaces Connector

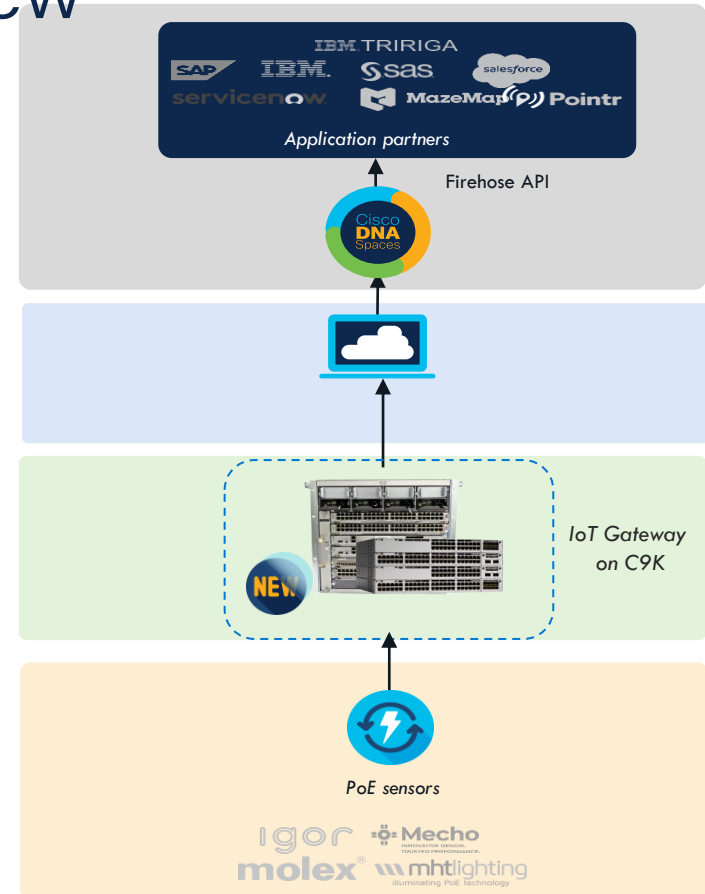
- Interfaces between DNA Spaces Cloud & on prem devices
- Collects sensor data

## Catalyst 9300/9400

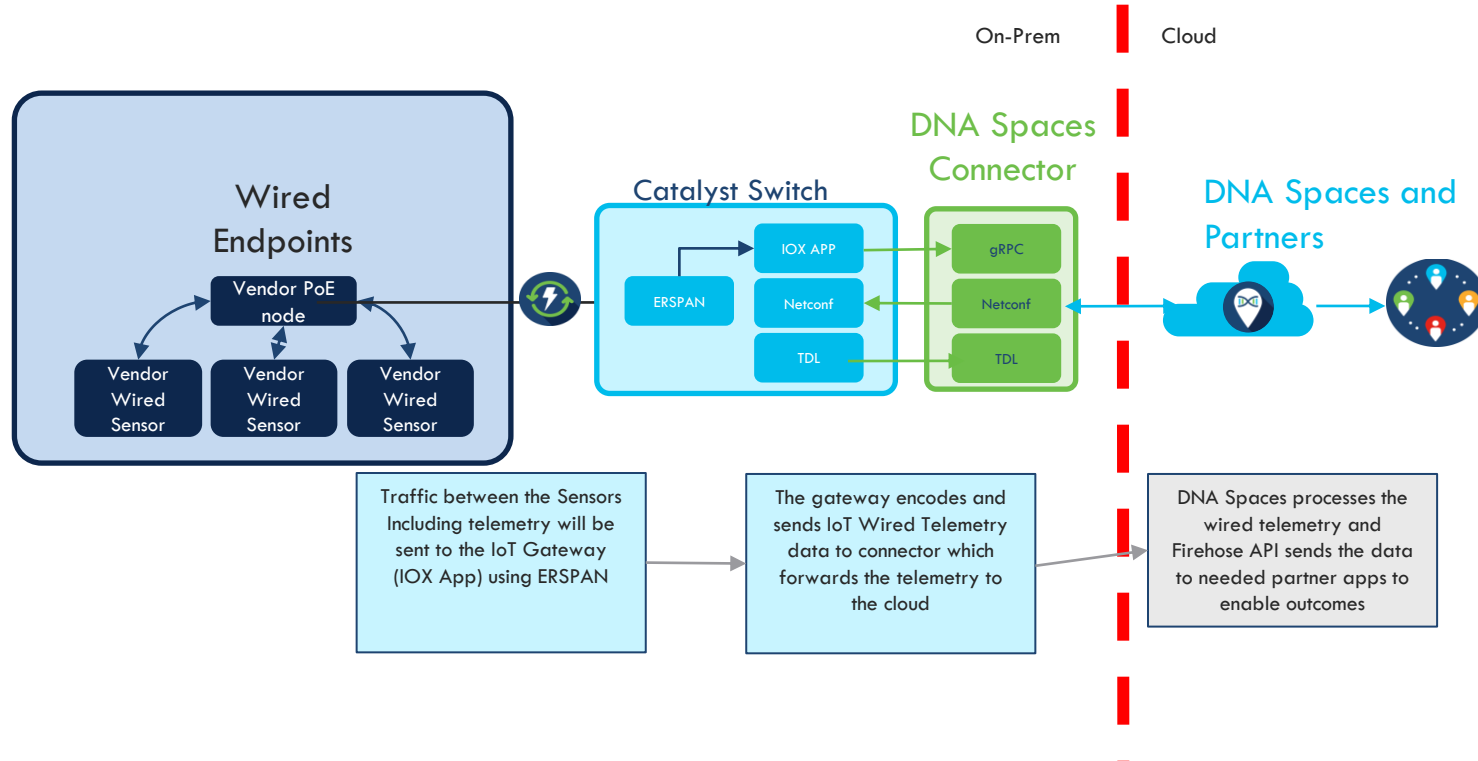
- UPOE/UPOE+ Connectivity
- IoT GW App

## PoE Sensors

- Wired PoE Sensors
- Powered by UPOE/UPOE+ port on the switch



# Indoor IoT Services with IoT Gateway App



# Cisco + NS1 – Making Edge more Intelligent

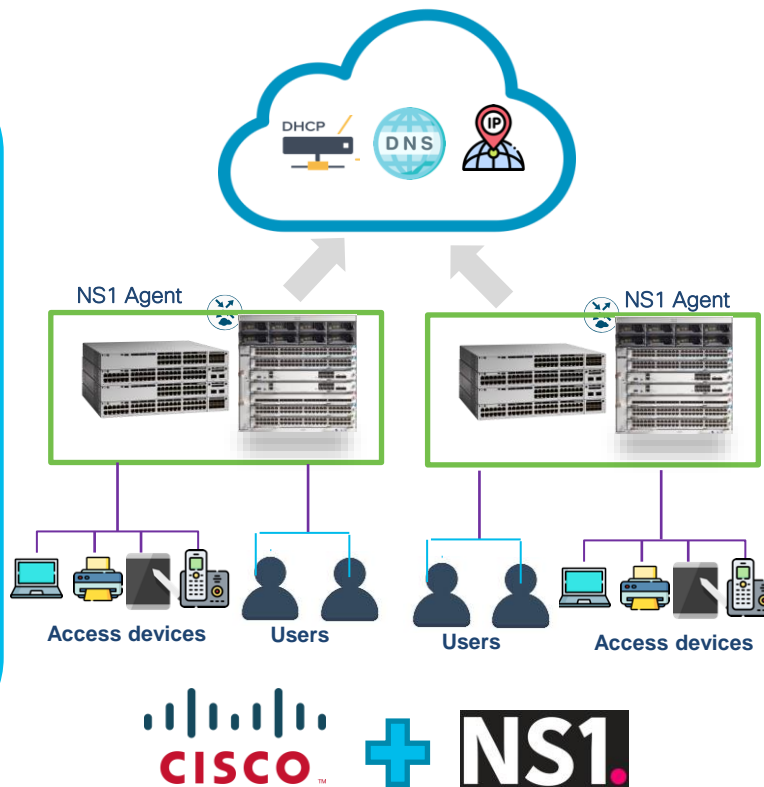
Scale and reliably deliver DHCP, DNS, and IPAM (DDI) services when you need them

## Business Outcomes

- Lower Cost – No new hardware
- Improved operational efficiency
- Fast application experience
- Increase ROI

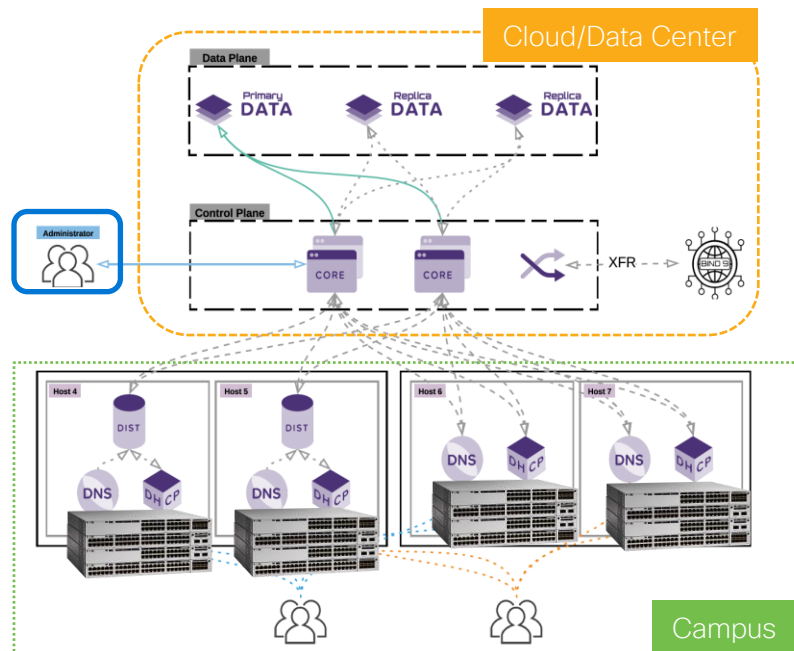
## Capabilities

- Distributed model with centralized cloud control
- DevOps Ready Framework
- Granular control over DDI services
- Deployment on Scale with Cisco DNA Center



# Catalyst enabled DDI aaService with NS1

Scale and reliably deliver DDI services



Can individually host DNS and DHCP containers in C9300 and C9400

Other DDI Containers can flexibility host on Sever or Cloud.

Resource type	Catalyst 9300/L	Catalyst 9300X	Catalyst 9400
Memory	2GB	8GB	up to 8GB
CPU	1 core (25%)	2 core (25%)	1 core (25%)
Storage	120/240 GB (USB3.0/SSD)	240GB (USB3.0/SSD)	240-960GB (SATA)

[NS1 Enterprise DDI Installation Guide](#)

# Validated Apps- DevNet Eco System Exchange

## DevNet Eco System Exchange



- Cisco will not provide any support to third-party apps and open source apps unless specifically called out.
- Such apps, however, will be validated for compatibility on Cisco® Catalyst® 9000 switches.
- DevNet ecosystem will indicate the partners who have worked on Cisco Catalyst 9000 switches.



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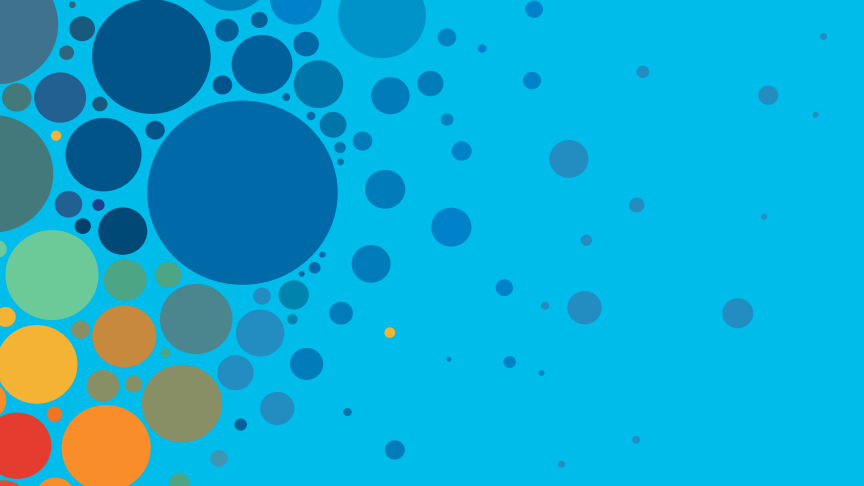
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