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SD-WAN: Start here

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Agenda

- Why SD-WAN
 - Where are we coming from
- Solution Architecture
 - What is it, how does it all come together?
- Software Features
 - Let's scratch the surface
- Learn More
 - Where to go and when

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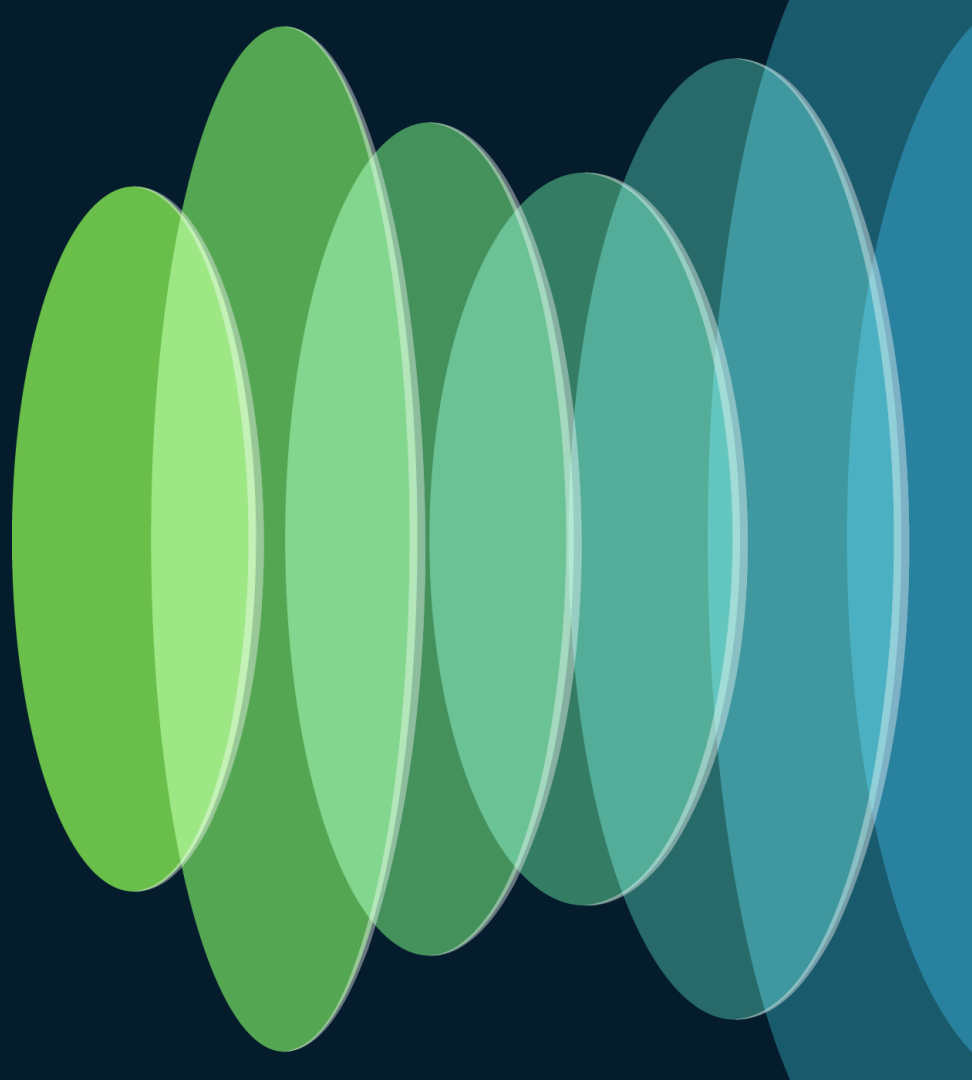
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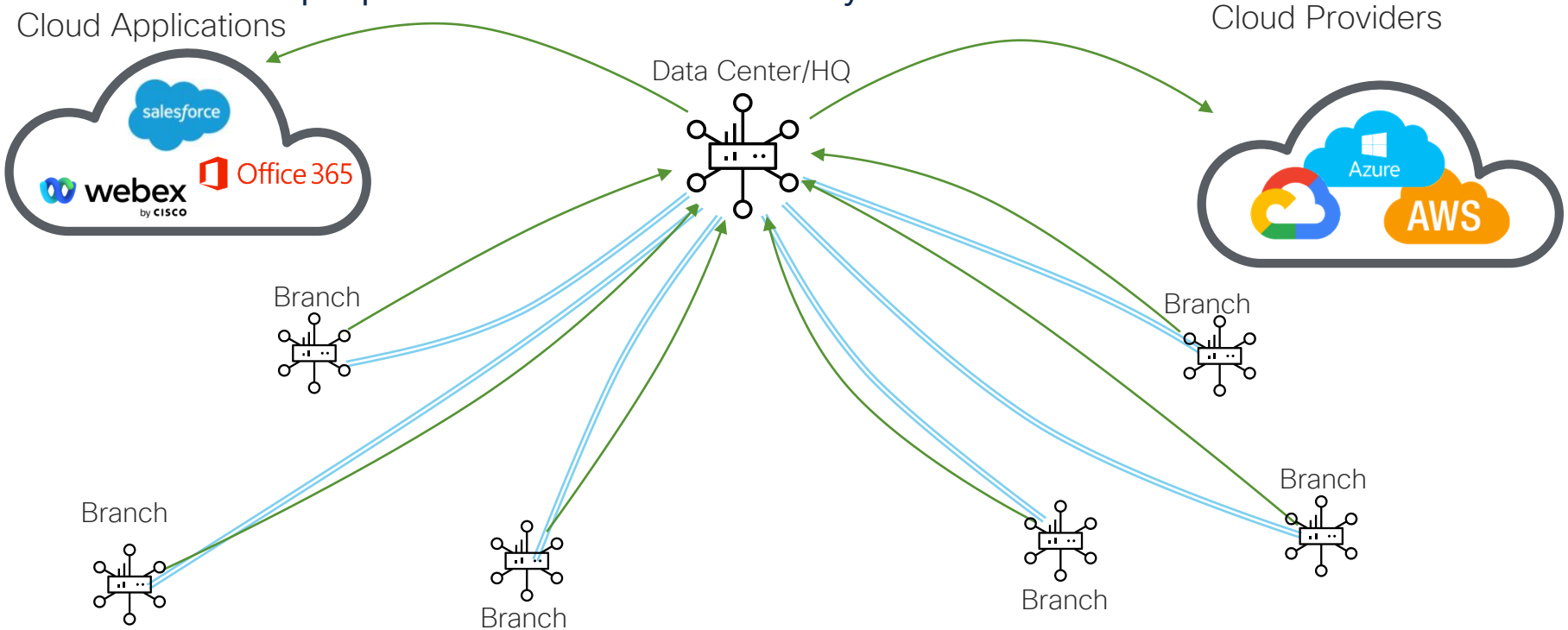
SD-WAN – This is it.

Why SD-WAN?



The Hardware Based WAN of Yesterday

Doesn't Keep up with the Needs of Today



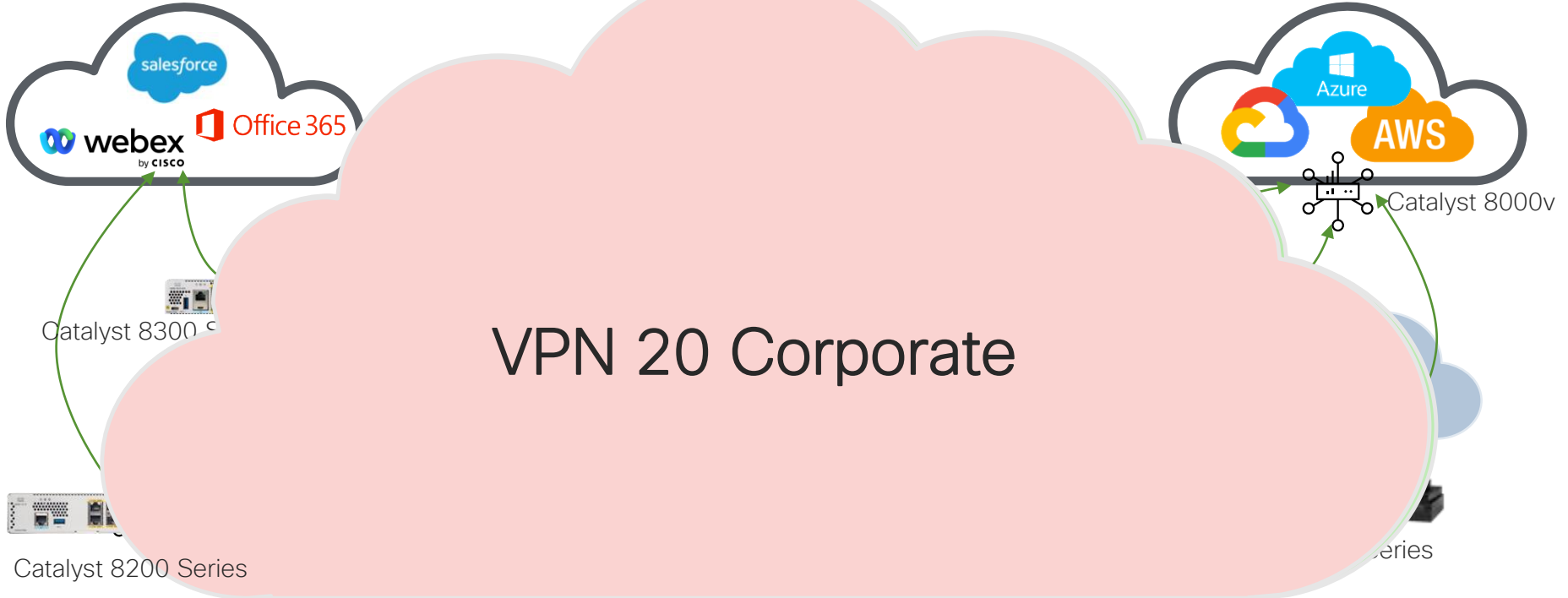


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Cisco SD-WAN: Software Approach

Cloud Applications

Cloud Providers



SD-WAN Recap



Any Deployment



On-premise | Cloud | Multi-tenant
Automation | Network Insights | Machine Learning | AI
Open | Programmable | Scalable

Any Service



Multicloud
Optimization



Multi-Layer
Security



Analytics



Voice



Multi-Domain
IBN Policy

Any Transport



Satellite



Internet



MPLS



5G/ LTE



SDCI*

Any Location



Branch



Colocation



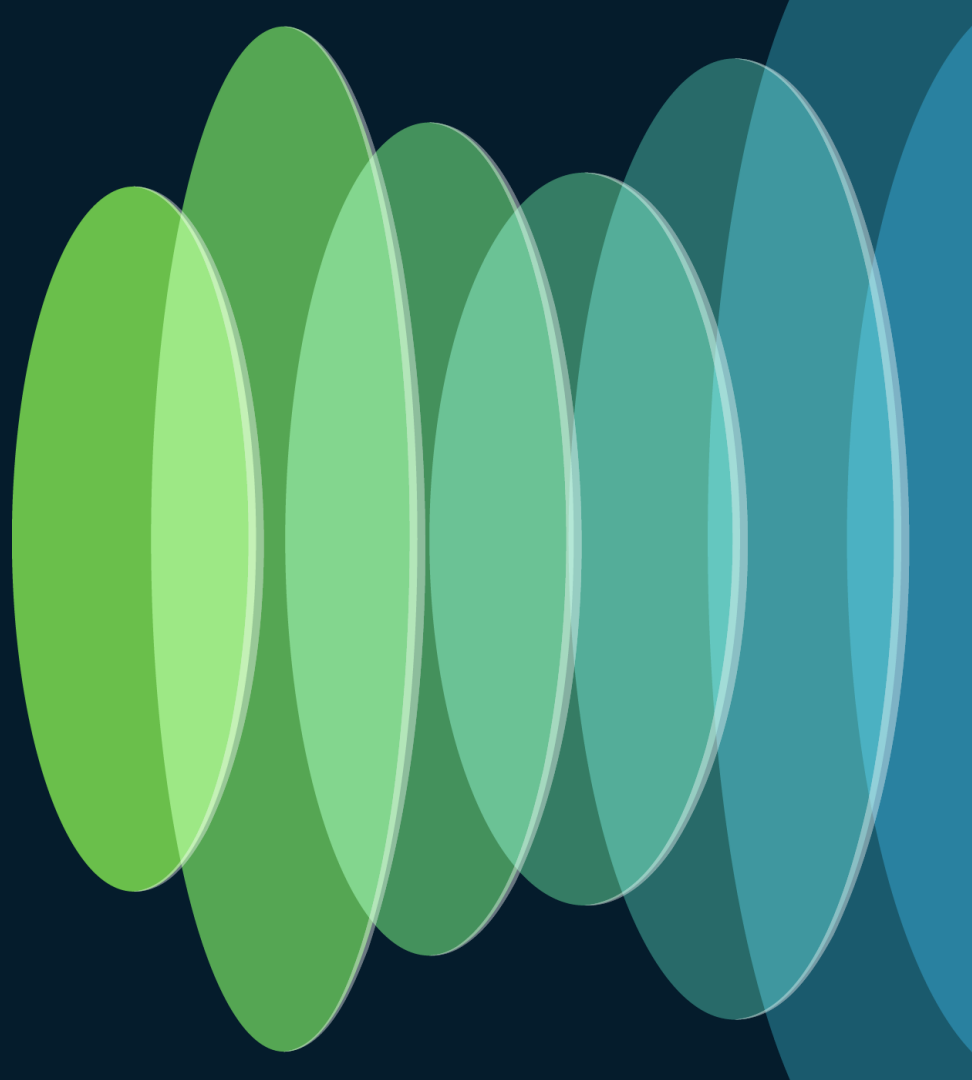
Cloud



Remote Work

* Software Defined Cloud Interconnect

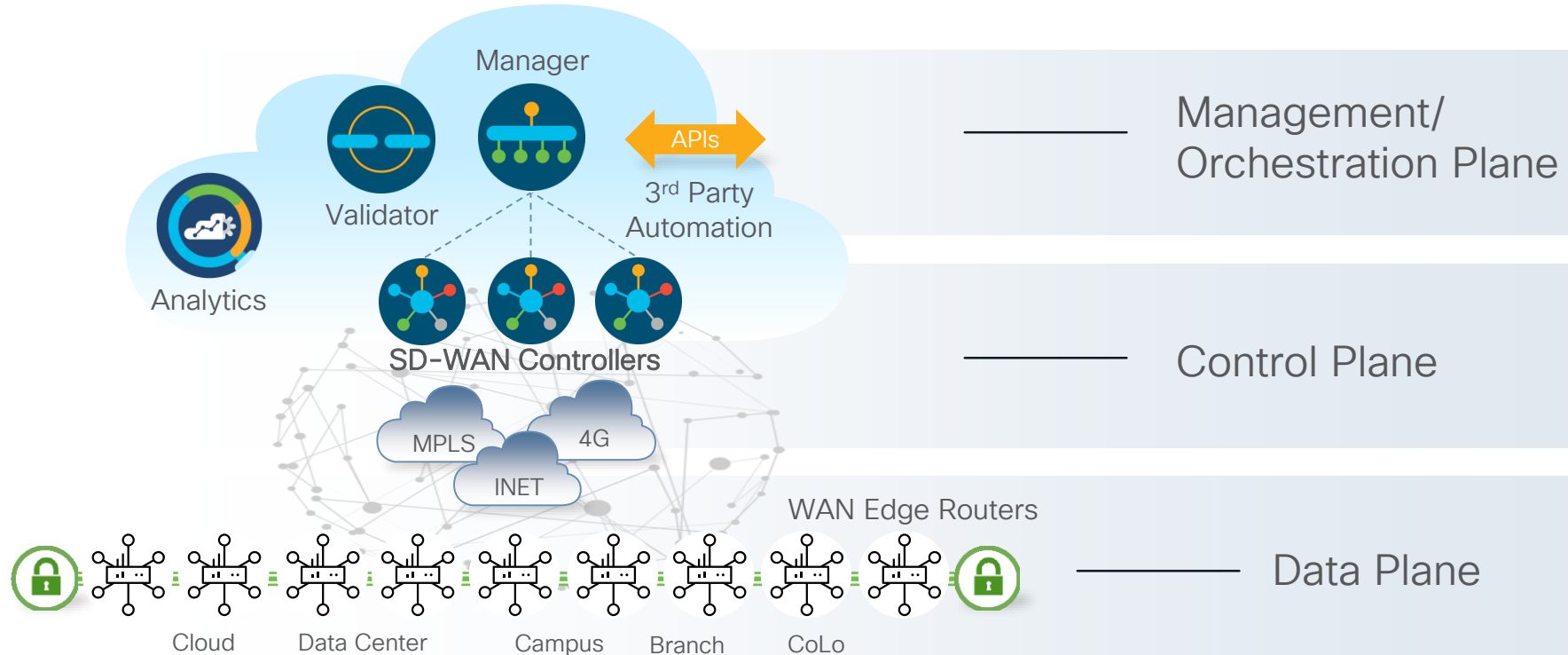
Solution Architecture



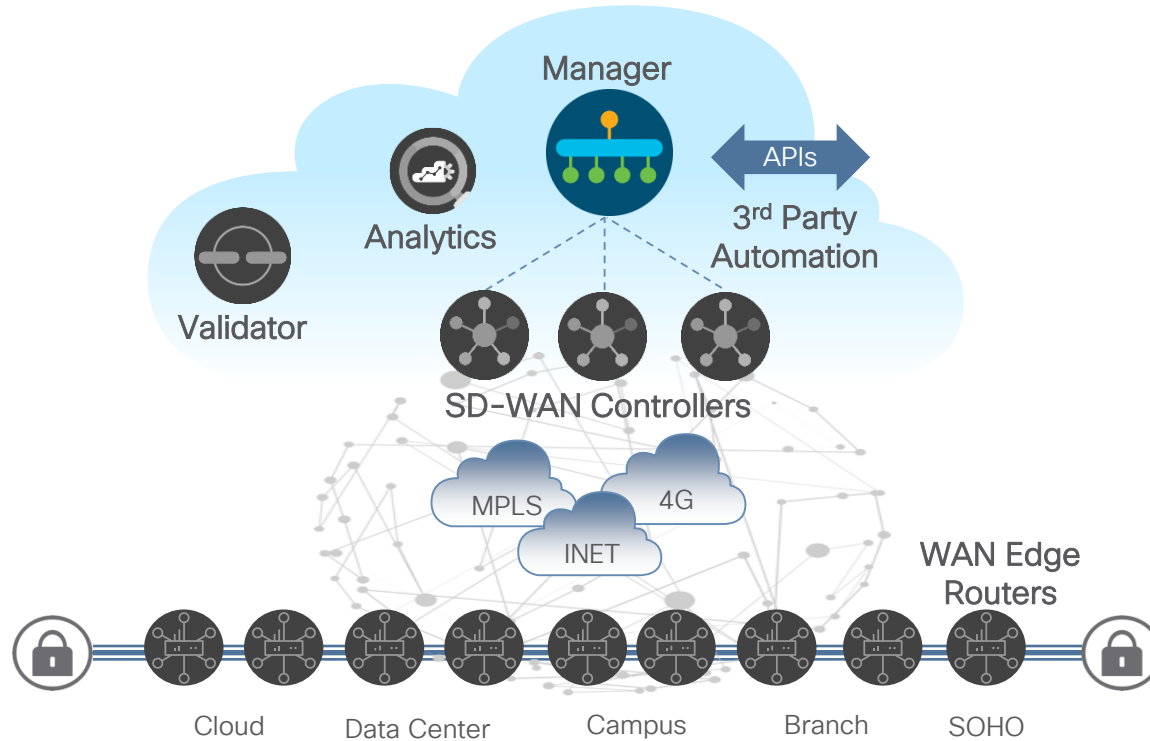
New Naming: Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN

Old Name	New Name (rebranding)	Documentation	Displayed on Screens	API/CLI - Documentation
Cisco SD-WAN	Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN	Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN	Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN	Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN
vManage	Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Manager	SD-WAN Manager	Manager	vManage
vAnalytics	Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Analytics	SD-WAN Analytics	Analytics	vAnalytics
vBond	Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Validator	SD-WAN Validator	Validator	vBond
vSmart	Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Controller	SD-WAN Controller	Controller	vSmart
Self Service Portal	Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Portal	Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Portal	Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Portal	SD-WAN Portal
Cloud-Delivered Cisco SD-WAN	Cloud-Delivered Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN	Cloud-Delivered Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN	Cloud-Delivered Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN	NA

Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Solution Overview



Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Solution Elements



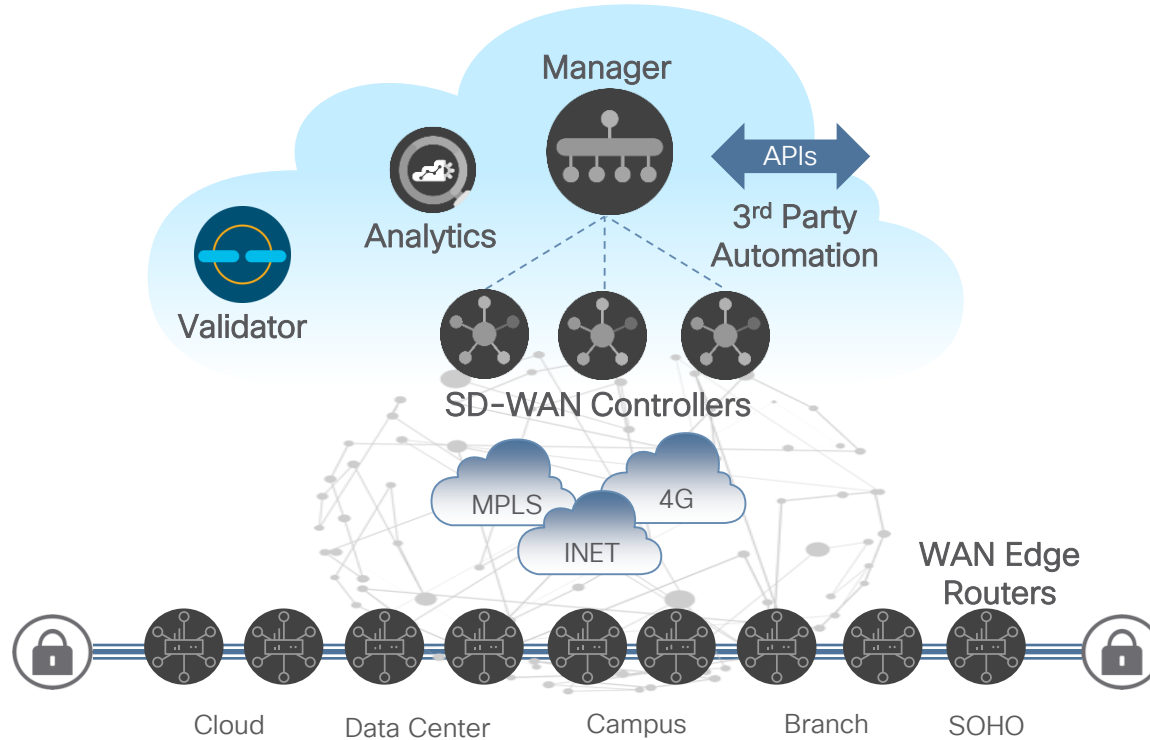
Management Plane



Cisco Catalyst
SD-wan Manager

- Single pane of glass for Day0, Day1 and Day2 operations
- Multitenant with web scale
- Centralized provisioning
- Policies and Templates
- Troubleshooting and Monitoring
- Software upgrades
- GUI with RBAC
- Programmatic interfaces (REST, NETCONF)
- Highly resilient

Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Solution Elements



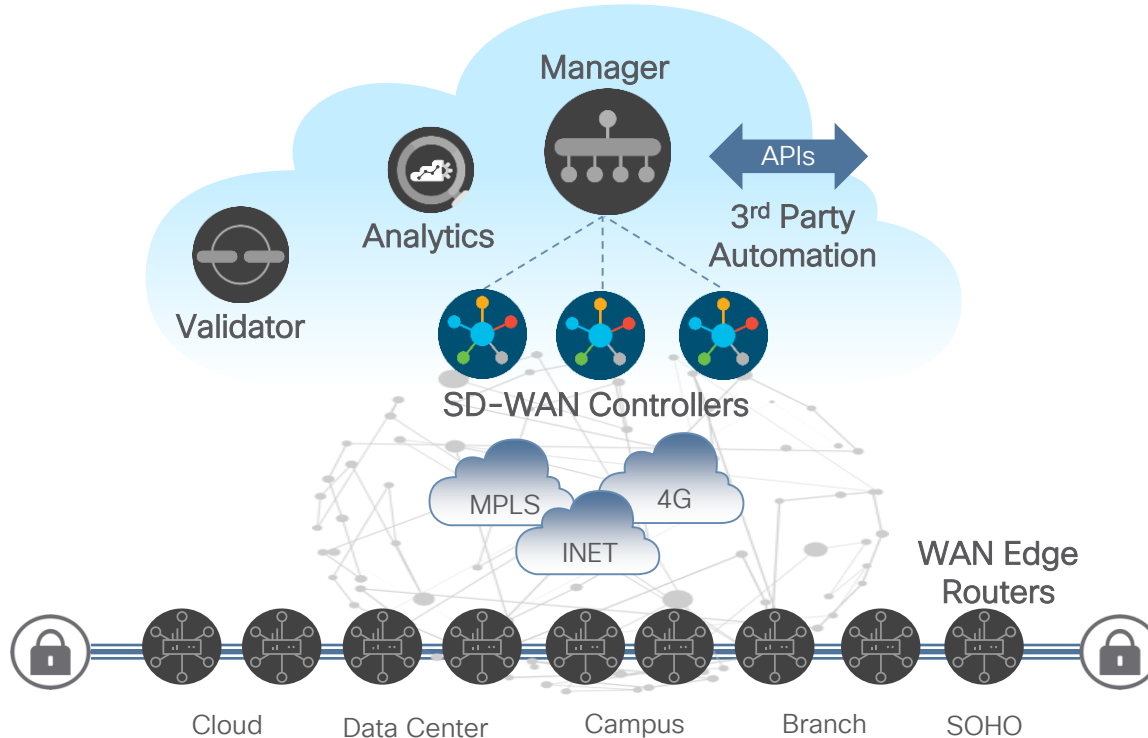
Orchestration Plane



Cisco Catalyst
SD-WAN Validator

- Orchestrates control and management plane
- First point of authentication (white-list model)
- Distributes list of Controllers/ Manager to all WAN Edge routers
- Facilitates NAT traversal
- Requires public IP Address [could sit behind 1:1 NAT]
- Highly resilient

Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Solution Elements



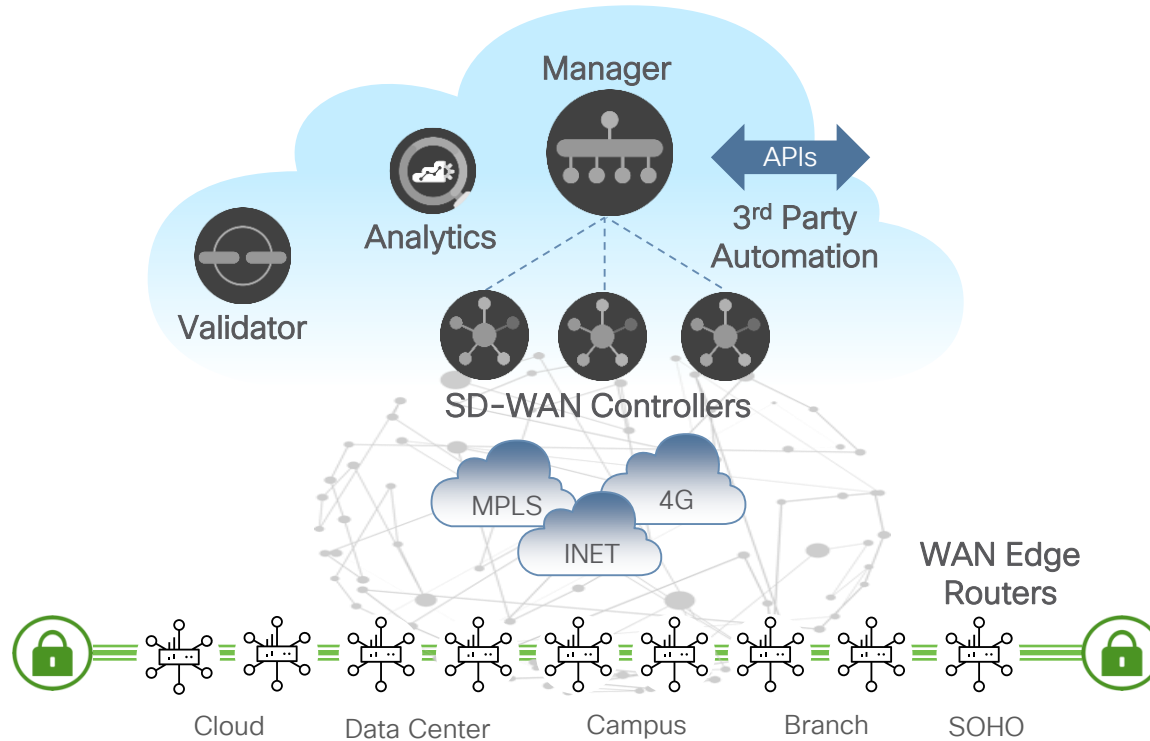
Control Plane



Cisco Catalyst
SD-WAN Controller

- Facilitates fabric discovery
- Dissimilates control plane information between WAN Edge Routers
- Distributes data plane and app-aware routing policies to the WAN Edge routers
- Implements control plane policies, such as service chaining, multi-topology and multi-hop
- Dramatically reduces control plane complexity
- Highly resilient

Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Solution Elements



Data Plane

Physical/Virtual

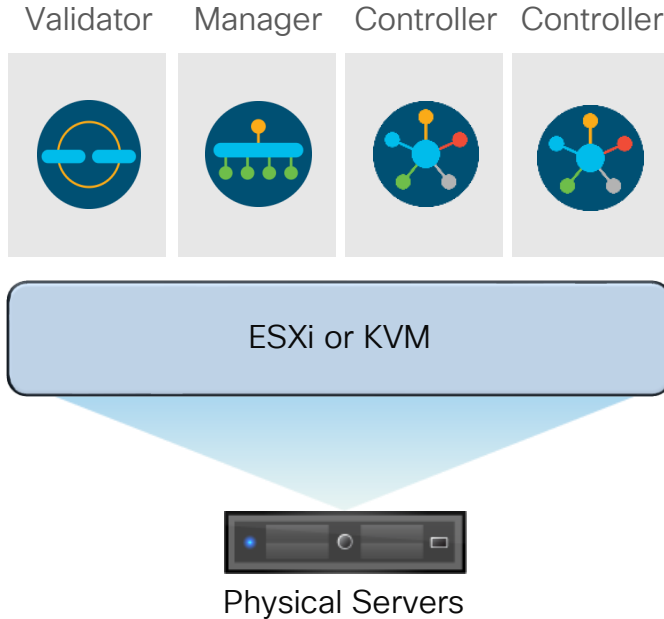


Cisco SD-WAN
WAN Edge

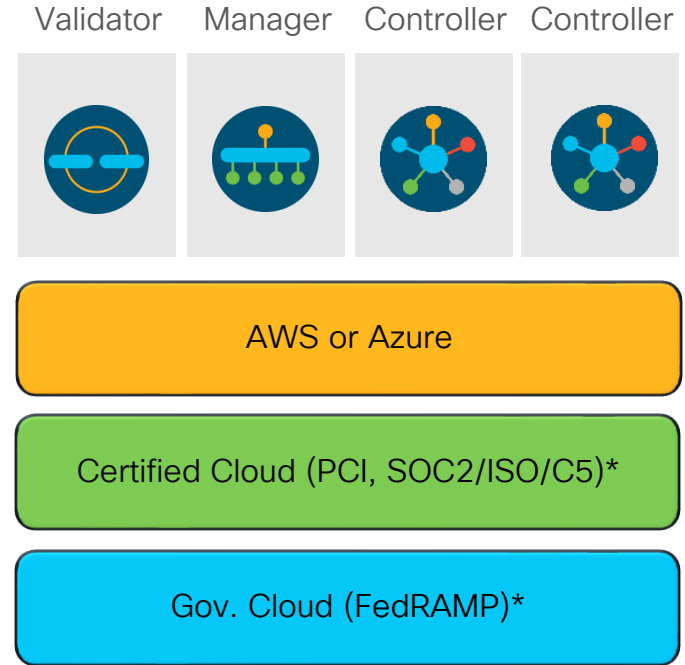
- WAN edge router
- Provides secure data plane with remote WAN Edge routers
- Establishes secure control plane with vSmart controllers (OMP)
- Implements data plane and application aware routing policies
- Exports performance statistics
- Leverages traditional routing protocols like OSPF, BGP, and EIGRP
- Support Zero Touch Deployment
- Physical or Virtual form factor (100Mb, 1Gb, 10Gb, 40Gb, 100Gb)

Controller Deployment Methodology

On-Premise



Cisco or MSP/Customer Hosted



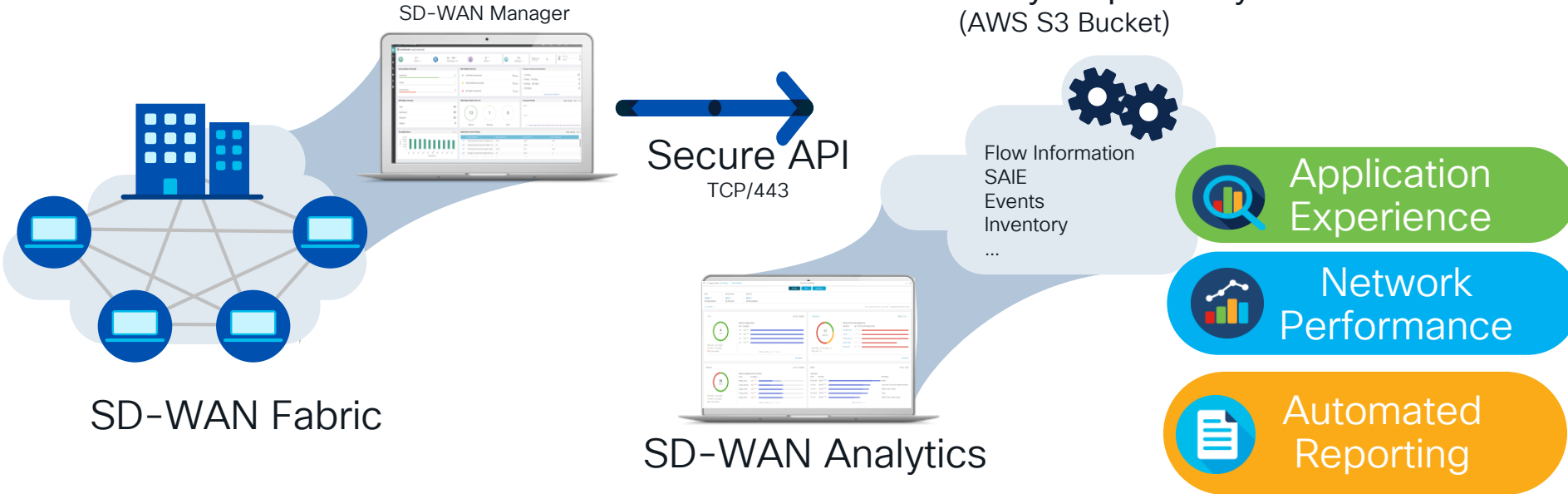
VM

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Analytics Architecture



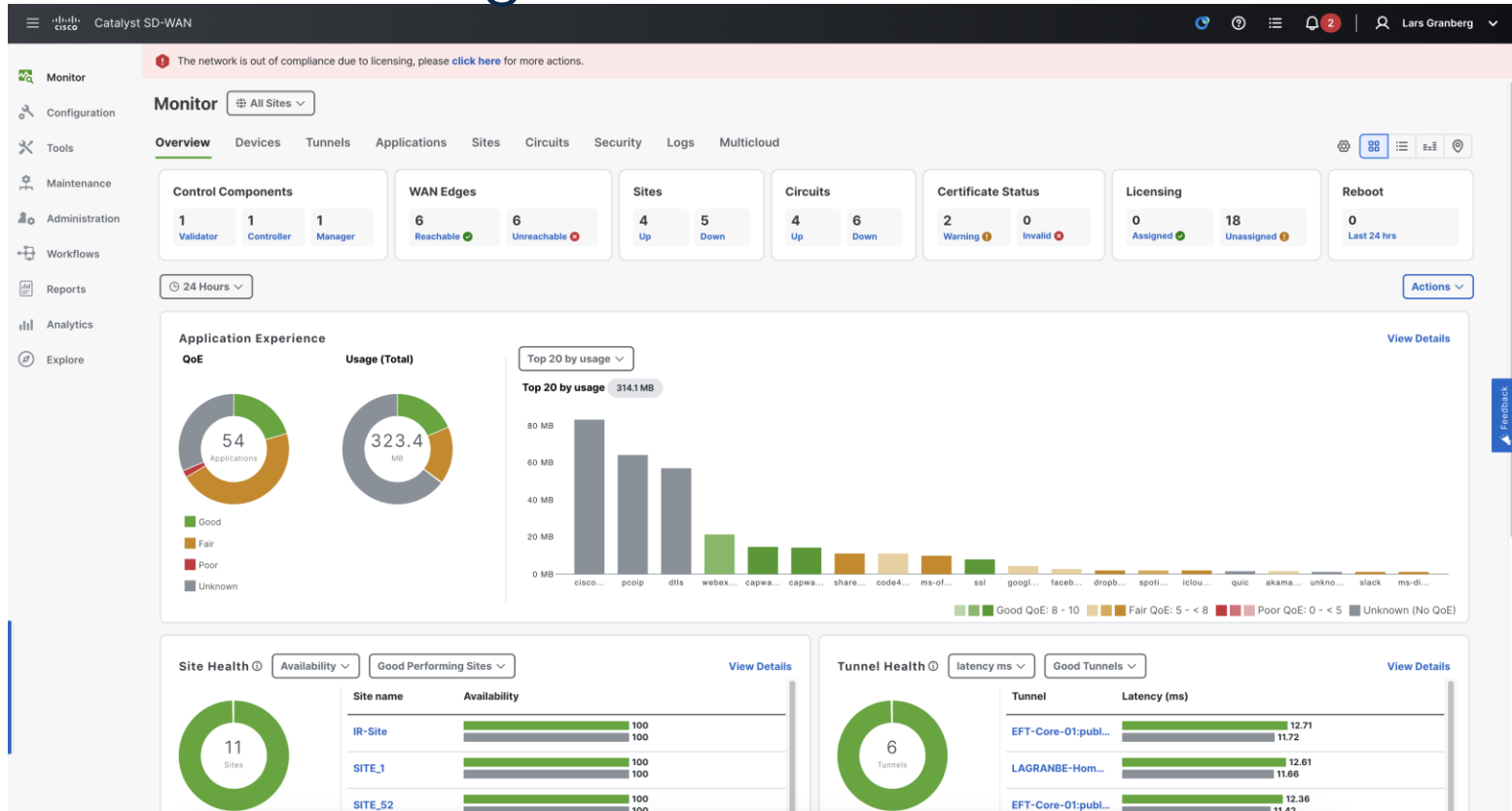
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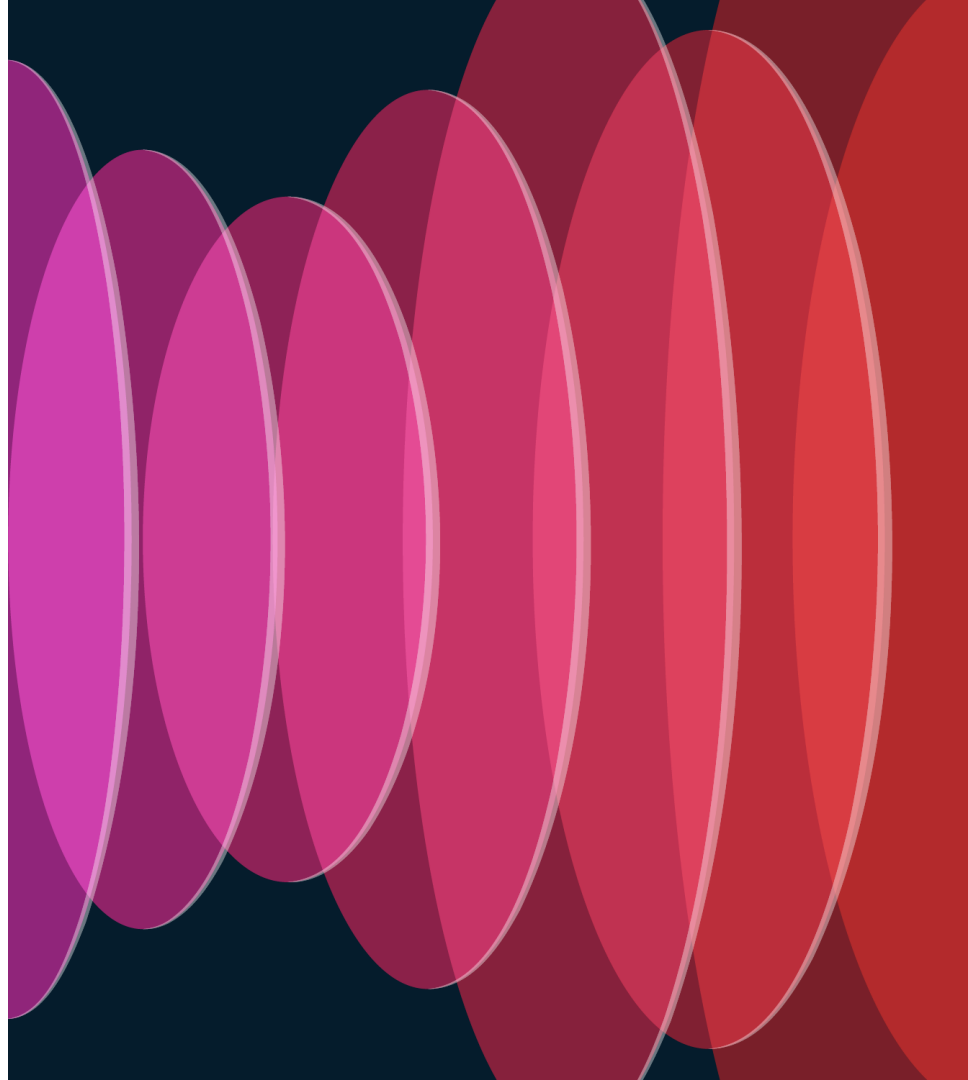
On-Prem or Cloud-Hosted SD-WAN Manager

Cloud-Hosted Analytics

SD-WAN Manager UI



Demo





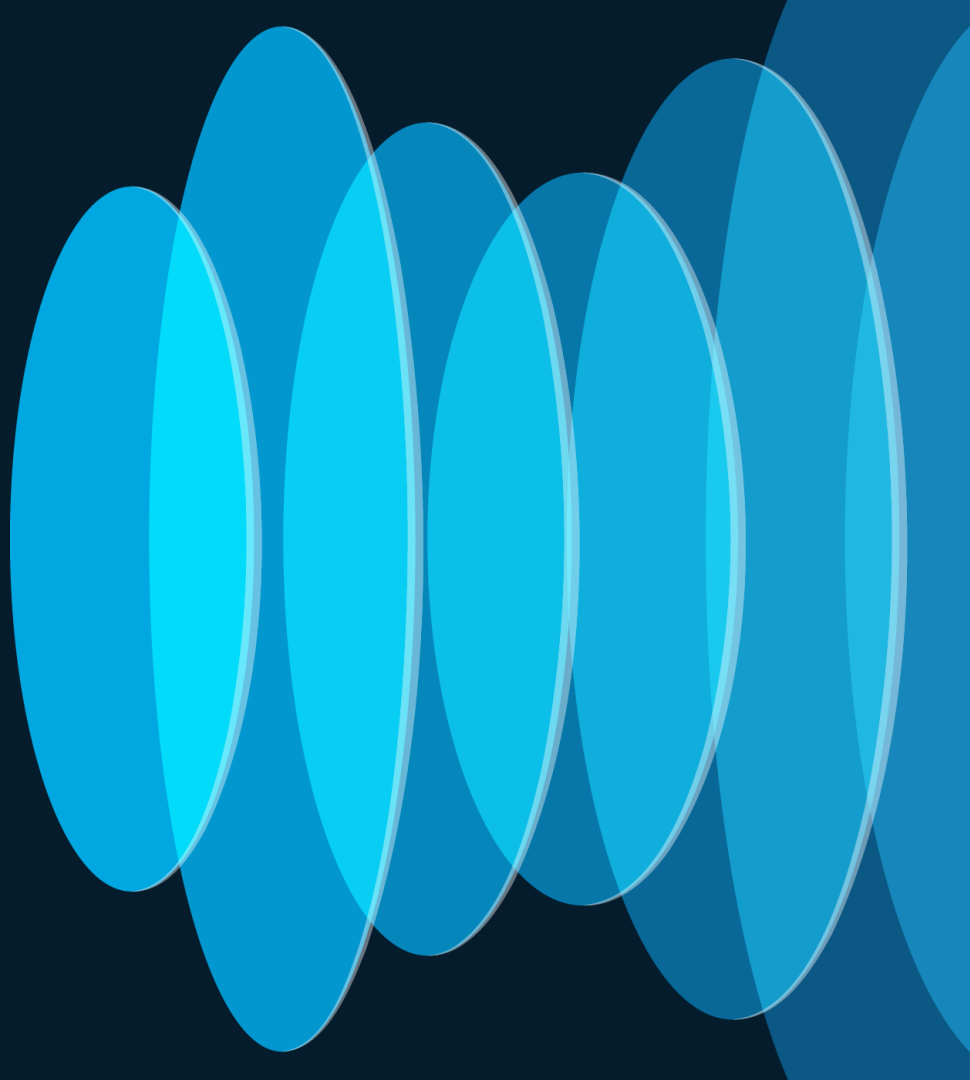
Catalyst SD-WAN

Username



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SD-WAN Features



Significance of TLOC Color

Color is an abstraction used to identify individual WAN transport

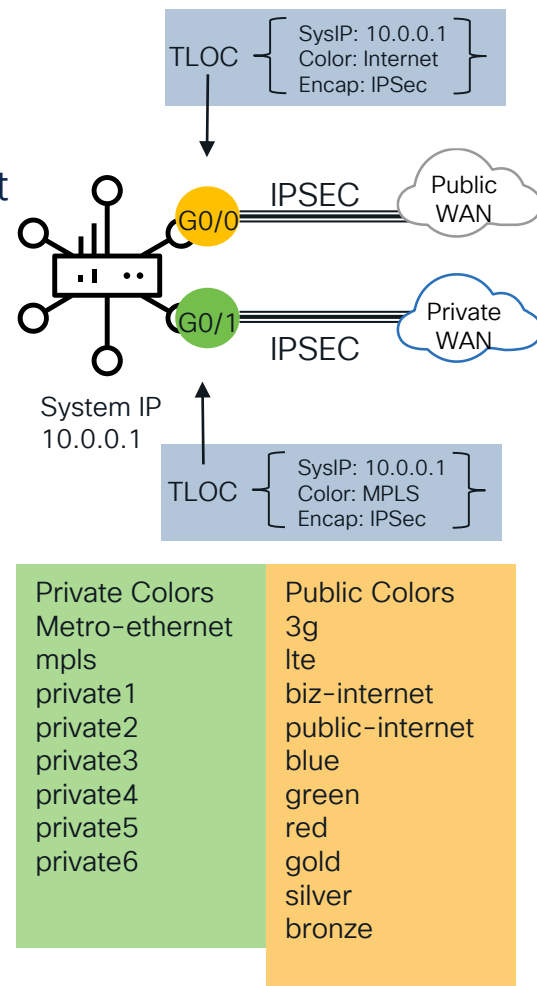
Colors are KEYWORDS not just LABELS

Policy is written based on these

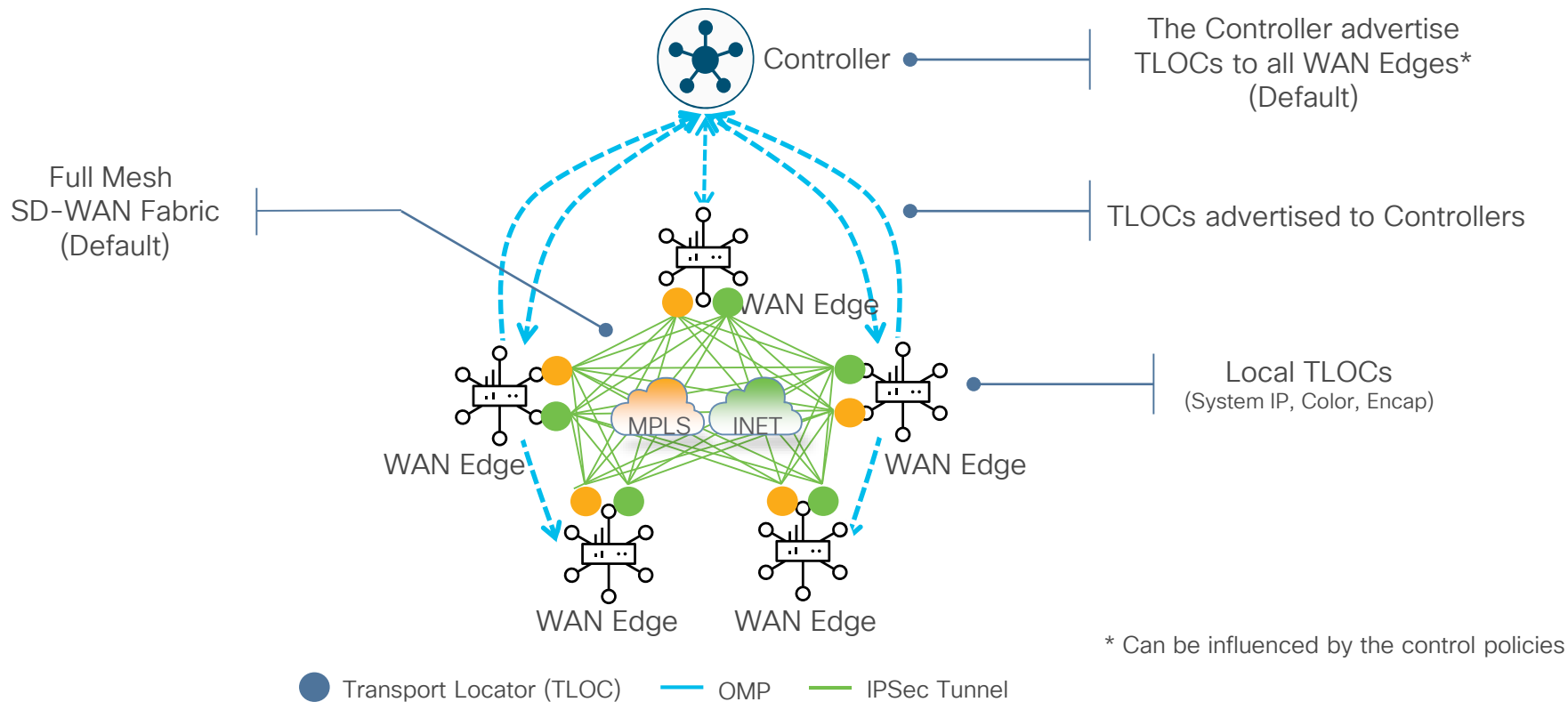
TLOC maps to a physical WAN interfaces

“Color” dictates the use of private-ip vs public-ip (dest)
for Tunnel Establishment when there is NAT present

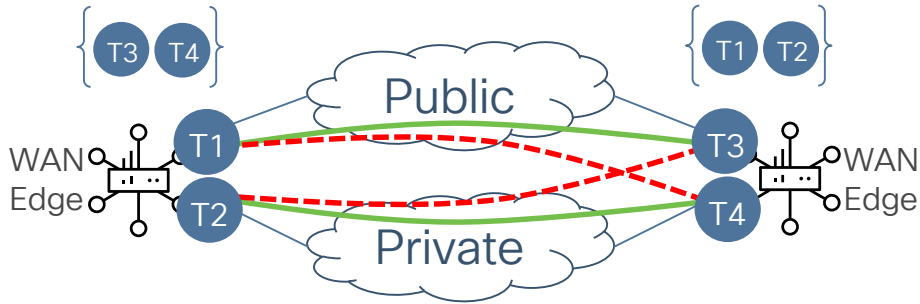
- Example:
 - If two ends have a **private** color: private IP address/port used for DTLS/TLS or IPSec
 - If endpoint has **public** color: Public IP is used for DTLS/TLS or IPSec



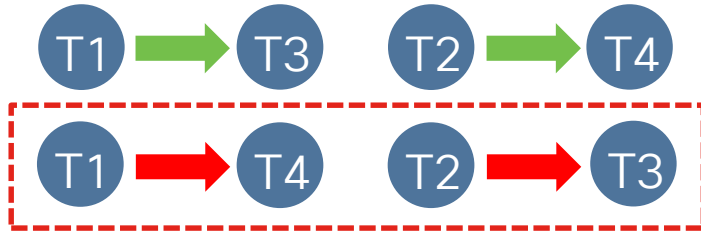
Transport Locators (TLOCs)



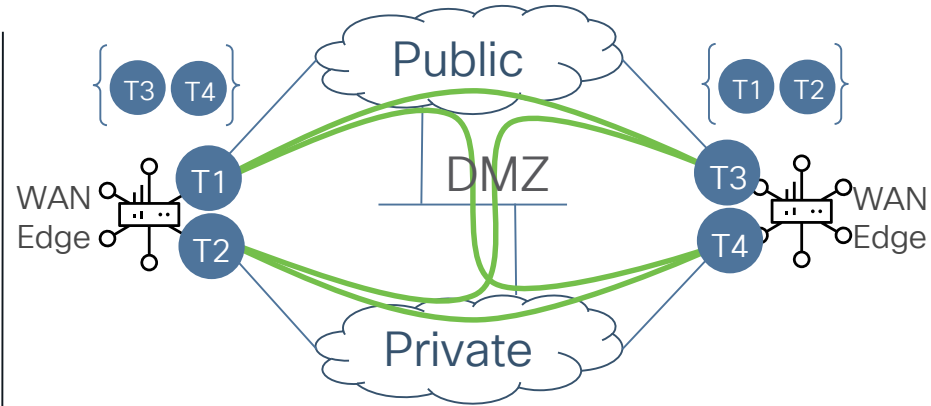
Transport Colors



T1, T3 – Public Color T2, T4 – Private Color



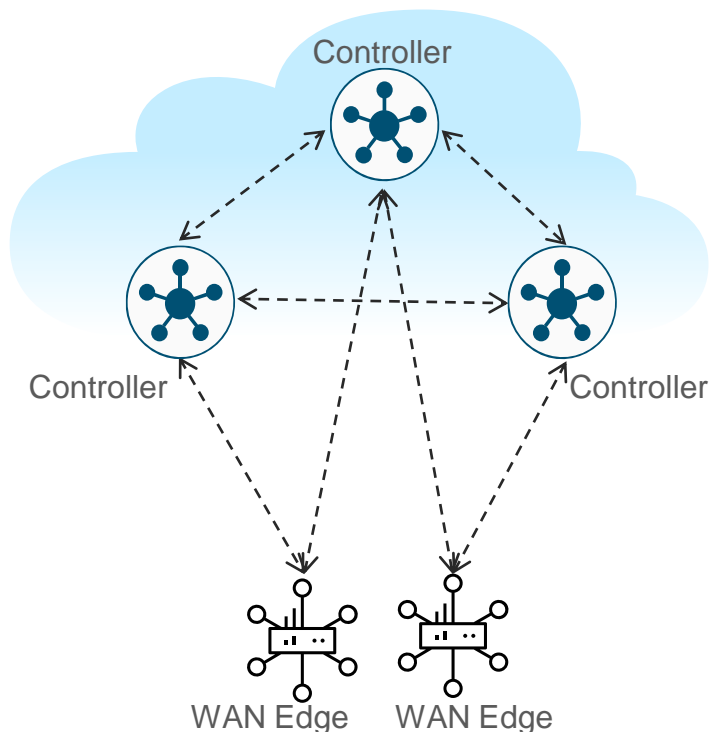
Color restrict will prevent attempt to establish IPSec tunnel to TLOCs with different color



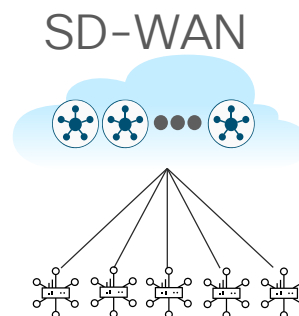
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Overlay Management Protocol (OMP)

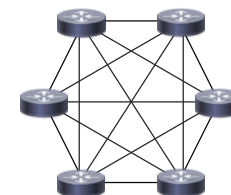


- Overlay Management Protocol (OMP)
- TCP-based extensible control plane protocol
- Runs between WAN Edge routers and vSmart controllers and between the vSmart controllers
 - Inside authenticated TLS/DTLS connections
- Advertises control plane context and policies
- Dramatically lowers control plane complexity and raises overall solution scale



$O(n)$ Control Complexity

Traditional

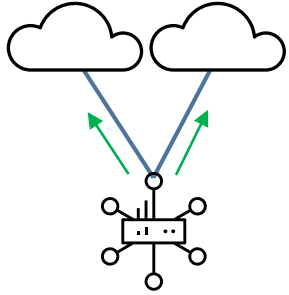


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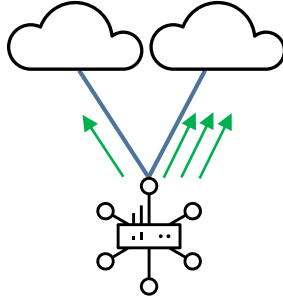
$O(n^2)$ Control Complexity

Fabric Communication

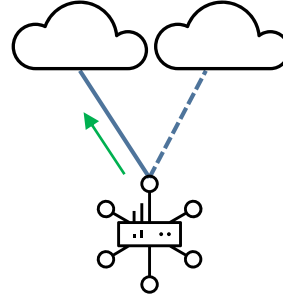
Per-Session Load-sharing
Active/Active



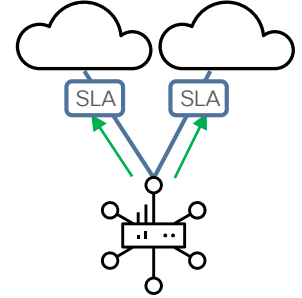
Per-Session Weighted
Active/Active



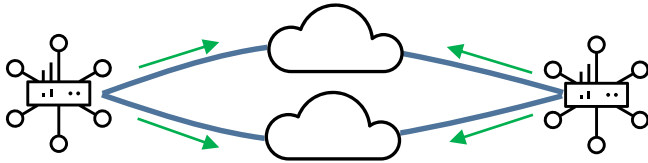
Application Pinning
Active/Standby



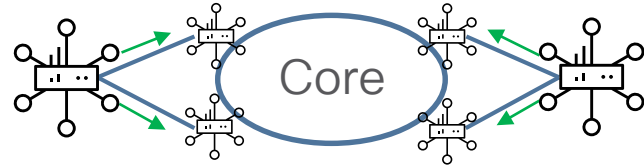
Application Aware Routing
SLA Compliant



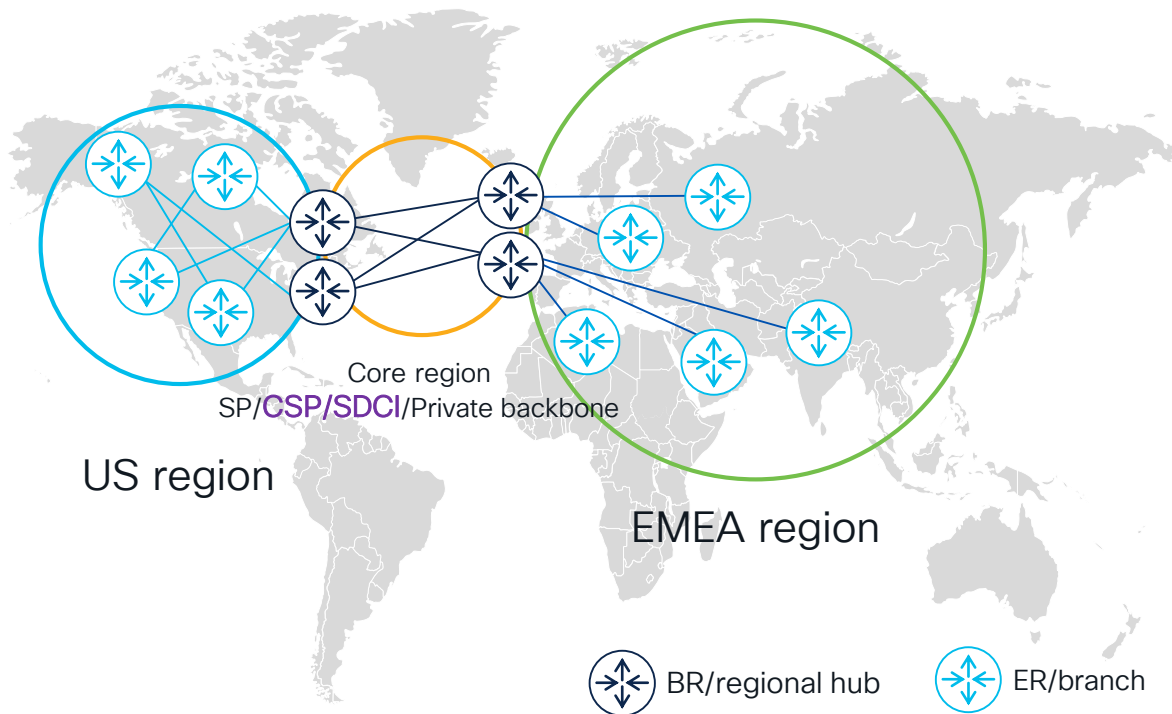
Single-hop Fabric



Multi-Region Fabric



What is Multi Region Fabric (MRF)?

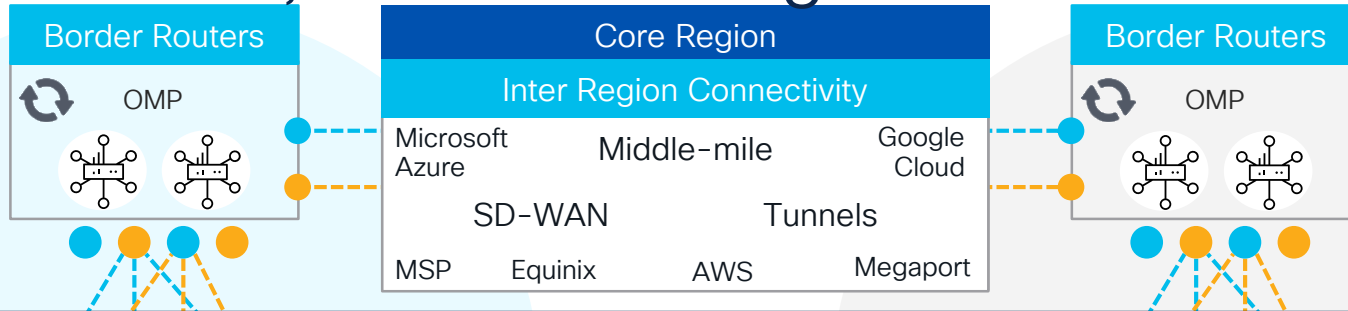
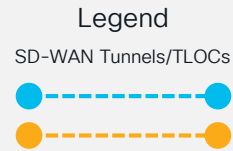


- Intuitive user-defined site grouping. E.g. based on geo
- Finer grouping using sub-regions
- Auto restrict overlay tunnels between regions
- Different topologies per region
- Mix access transports across regions
- Scale up control-plane per region(s)

CSP = Cloud Service Provider (AWS, Azure, GCP)

SDCI = Software Defined Cloud Interconnect

The Network, with Multi-Region Fabric



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Implementing and Troubleshooting
Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Multi-Region Fabric (MRF) Network - BRKTRS-2003

Edge Routers



SD-WAN CPE

Access Region 1

...with
Multi-Region Fabric

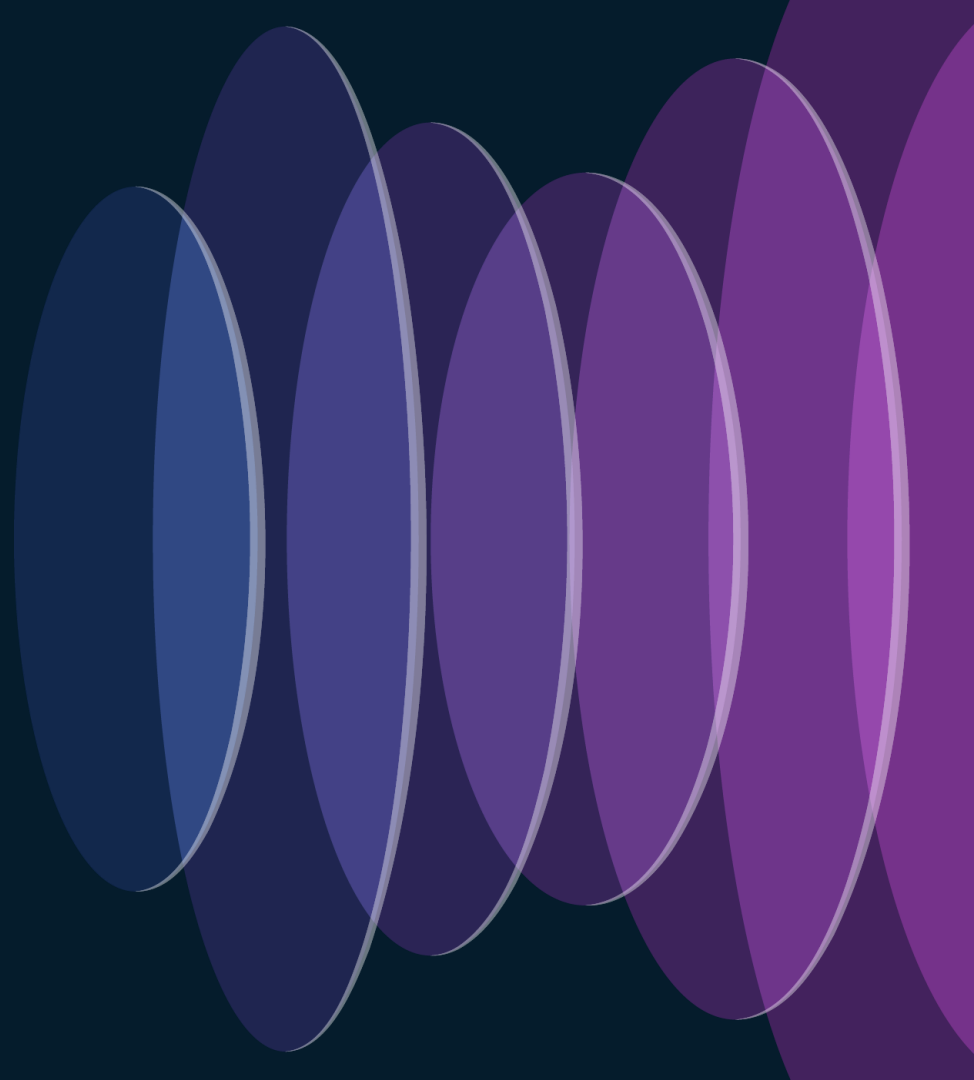


SD-WAN CPE

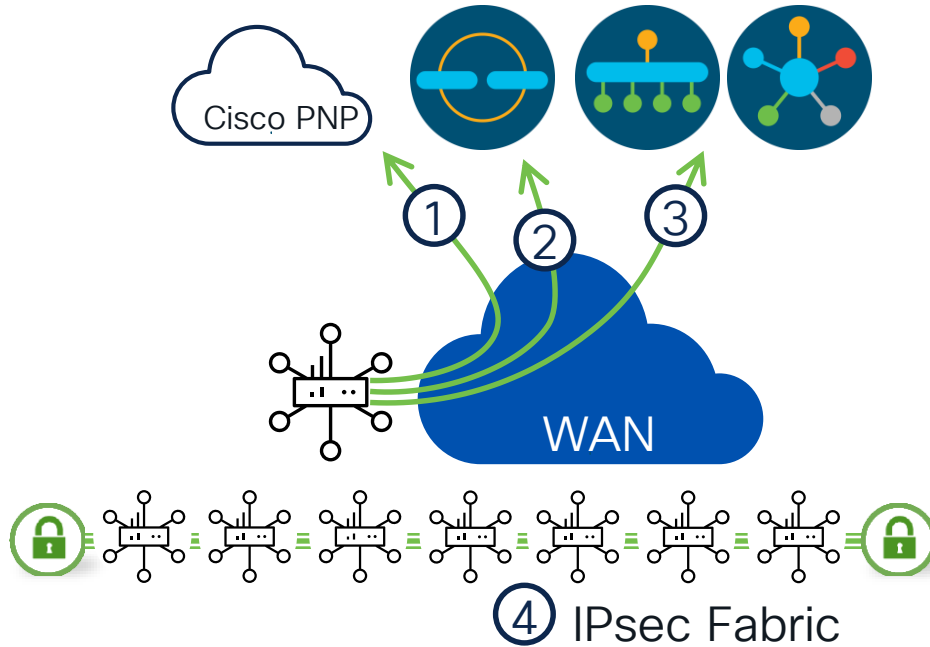
Access Region 2

Edge Routers

Lets bring it up

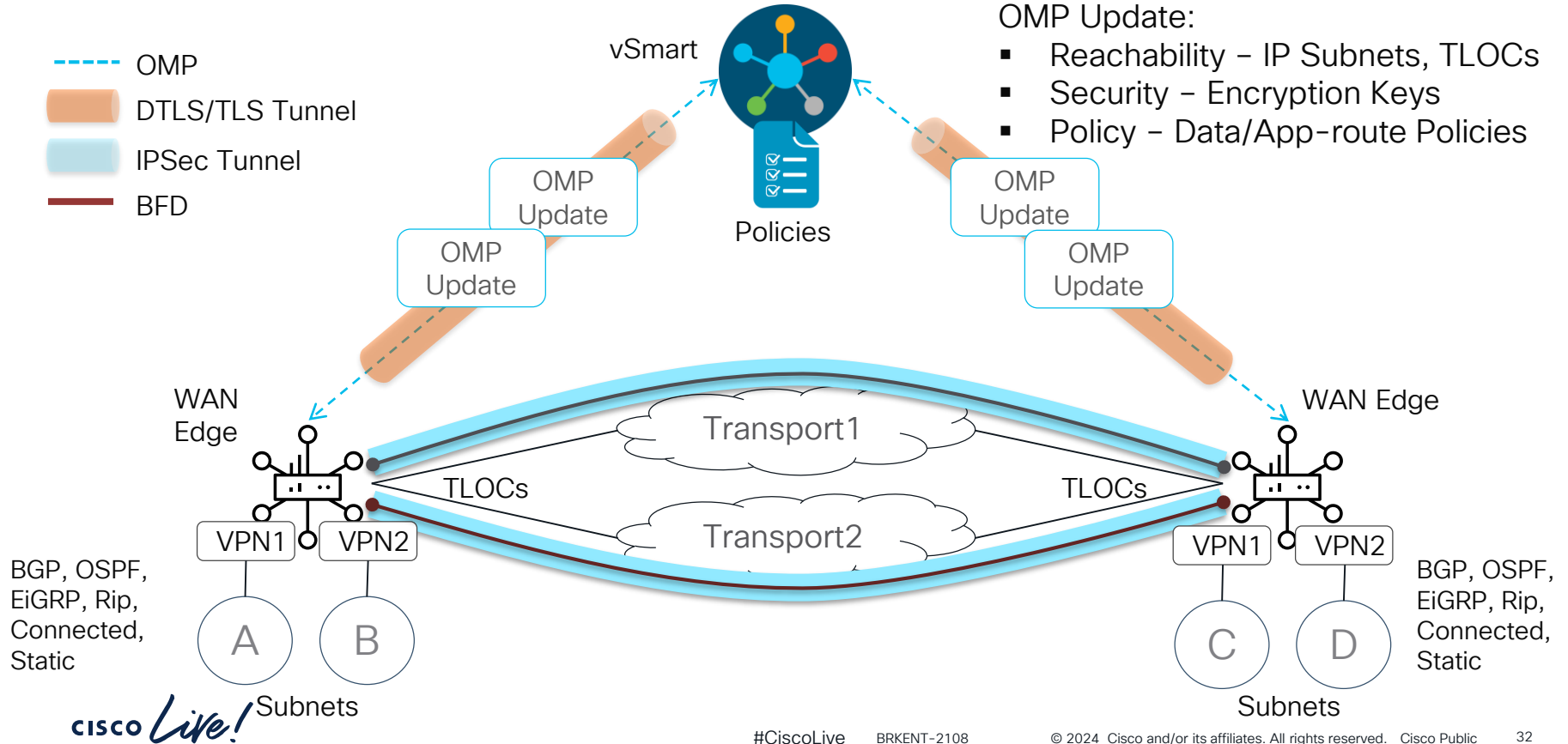


Automated, Zero-Touch Onboarding

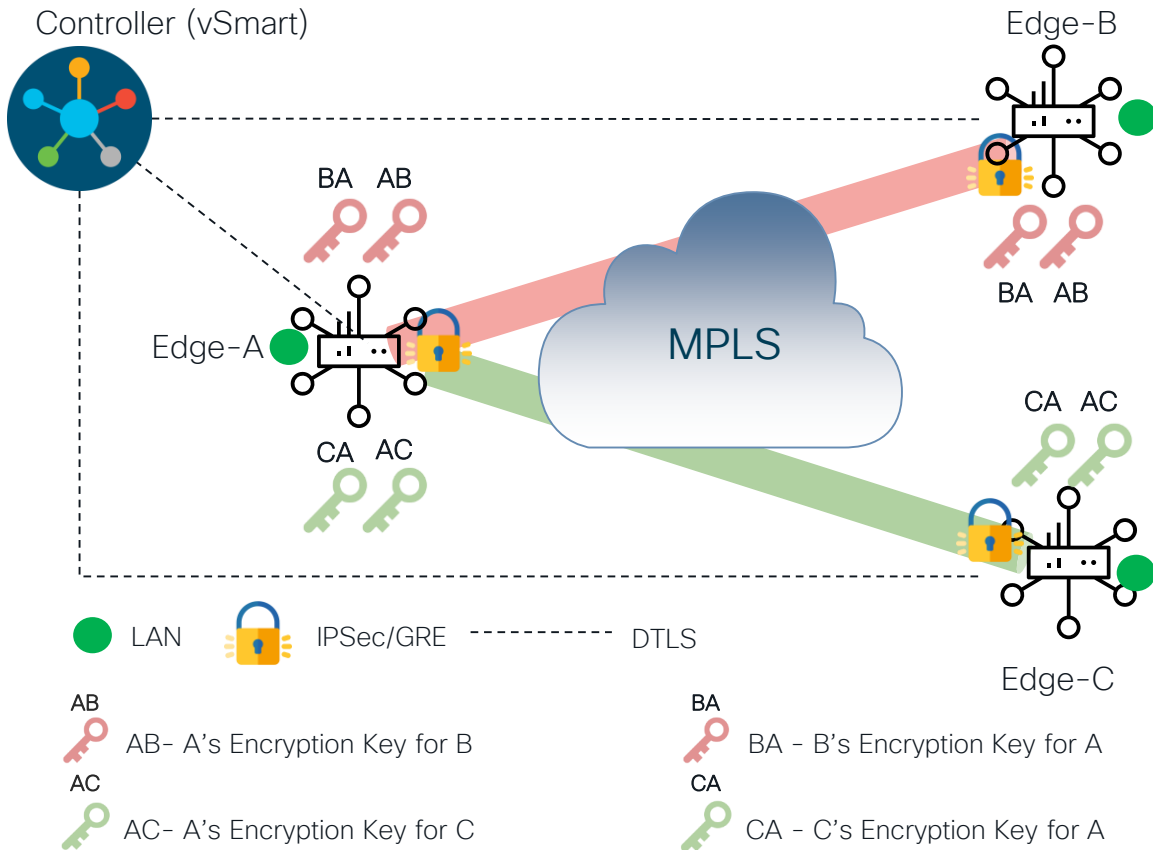


- SD-WAN appliance will onboard itself into the SD-WAN fabric automatically with no administrative intervention.
- Connect the SD-WAN appliance to a WAN transport that can provide a dynamic IP address, default-gateway and DNS information.
- If no DHCP service is available then bootstrap file is an option either on USB or Bootflash

Fabric Operation Walk-Through



Data Plane Privacy (Pairwise)



- Each WAN edge will create separate session key for each transport and for each peer
- Session keys will be advertised through vSmart using OMP
- When Edge-A needs to send traffic to Edge-B, it will use session key "AB" (B will use key "BA")

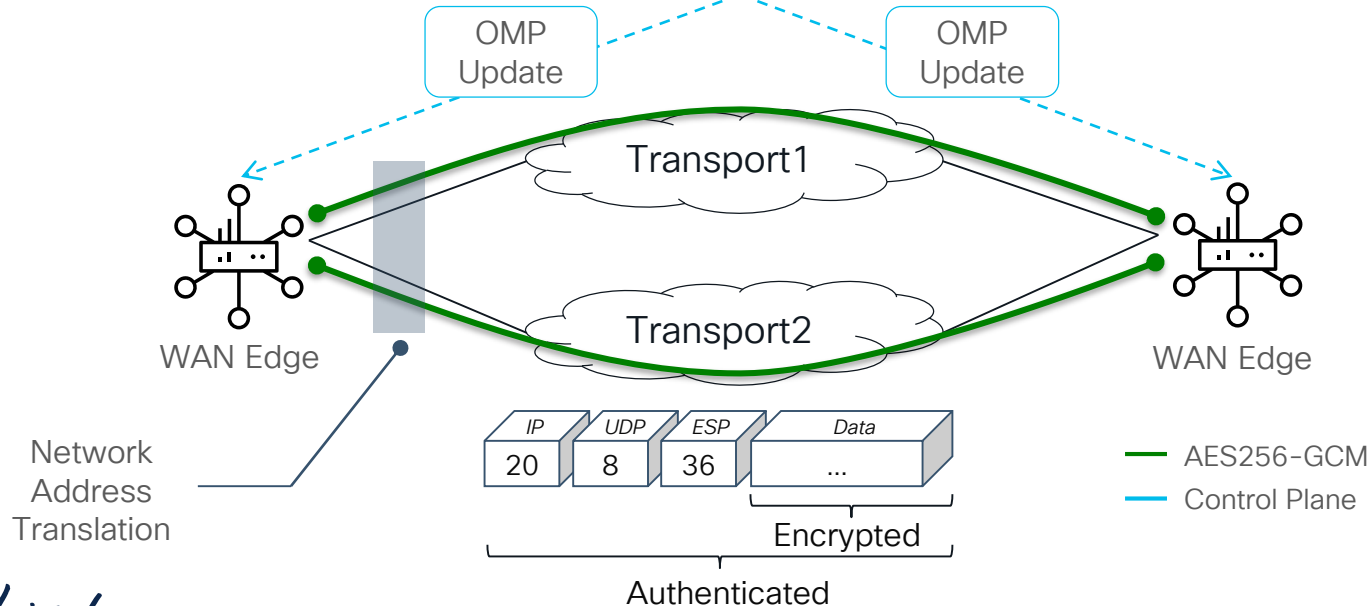
Data Plane Integrity

- vBond discovers WAN Edge public IP address, even if traverses NAT
- vBond communicates public IP to the WAN Edge

SD-WAN
Controllers

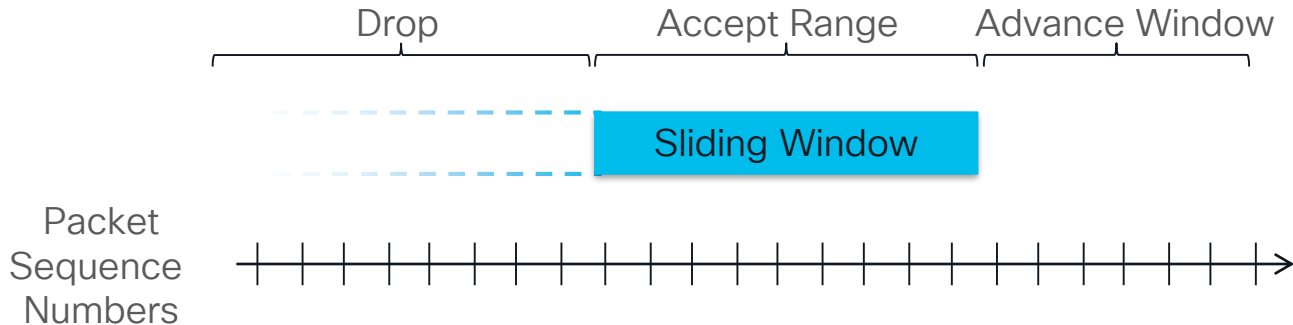


- WAN Edge computes AH value based on the post NAT public IP
- Packet integrity (+IP headers) is preserved across NAT

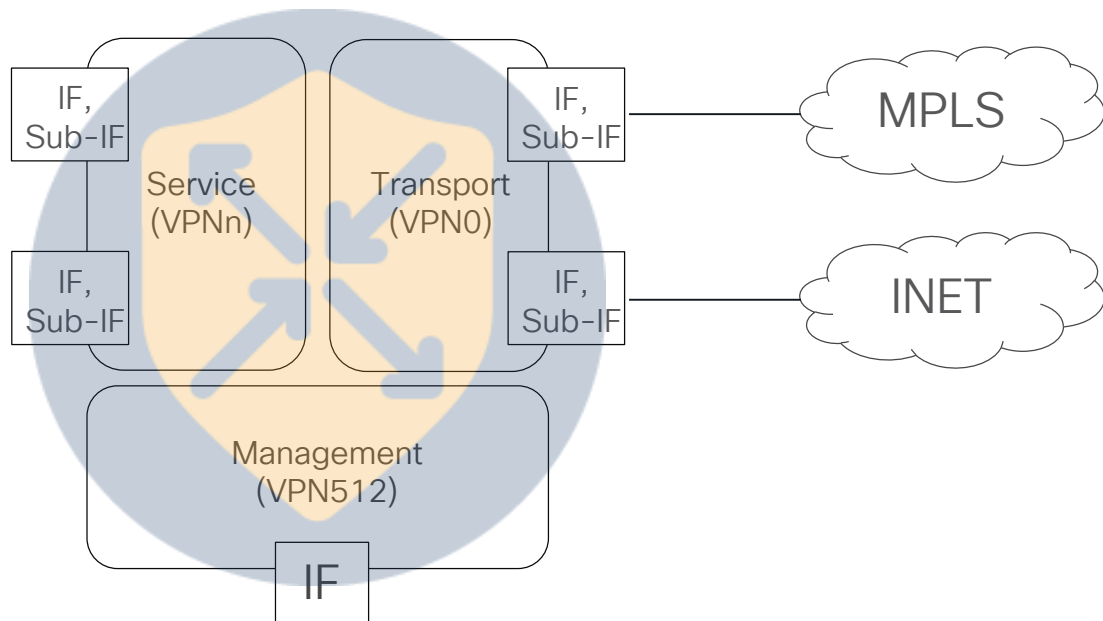


IPsec Anti-Replay Protection

- Encrypted packets are assigned sequence numbers. WAN Edge routers drop packets with duplicate sequence numbers
 - Replayed packet
- WAN Edge routers drop packets with sequence numbers lower than the minimal number of the sliding window
 - Maliciously injected packet
- Upon receipt of a packet with higher sequence number than received thus far, WAN Edge router will advance the sliding window
- Sliding window is CoS aware to prevent low priority traffic from “slowing down” high priority traffic



Cisco SD-WAN VPNs (VRFs)



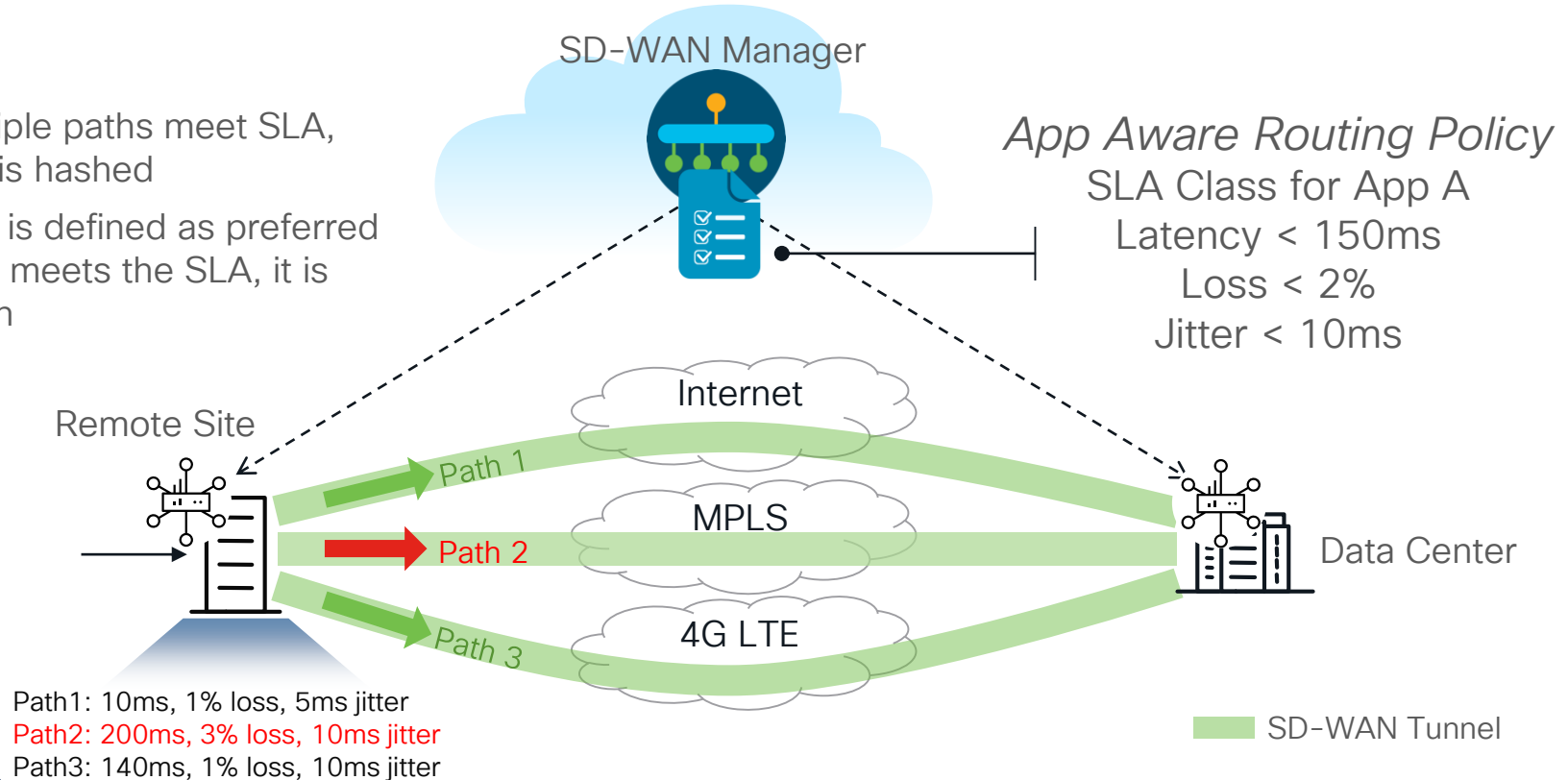
- VPNs are isolated from each other, with each VPN having its own forwarding table
- Reachability within a VPN is advertised by OMP
- VPN0 is reserved for WAN uplinks (Transport)
- VPN512 is reserved for Management interfaces
- VPNn represents user-defined LAN segments (Service)

Application Aware Routing



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- If multiple paths meet SLA, traffic is hashed
- If path is defined as preferred AND it meets the SLA, it is chosen



Key Building Blocks of AppQoE

Configuration Management System



vManage - Virtualized | Scalable | Network Insights



DRE, LZ



Byte Level Caching
& Compression

Protocol
Agnostic

Forward Error Correction



Packet Duplication

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110 110
1011 1011
010 010
110 110
1011 1011
010 010
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TCP Optimization



BBR2 Congestion
Algorithm



Window
Scaling



Large Initial
Windows

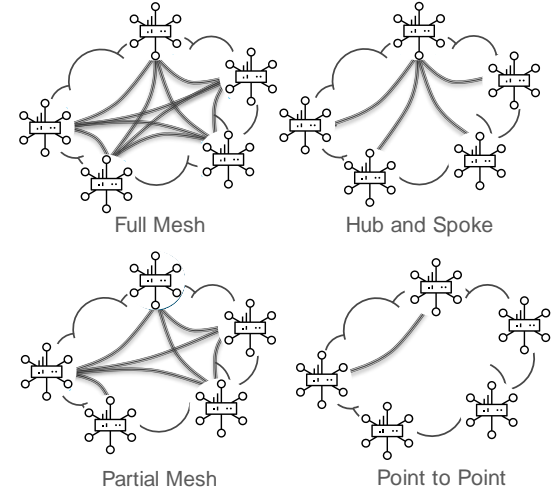
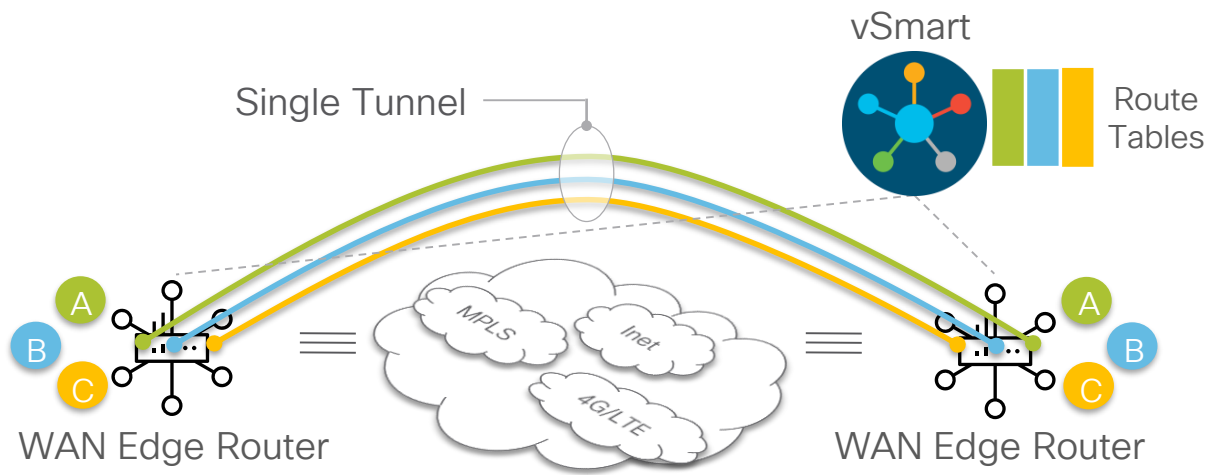


Selective
Acknowledgement

BBR - Bottleneck Bandwidth and Round-trip propagation time

Security features

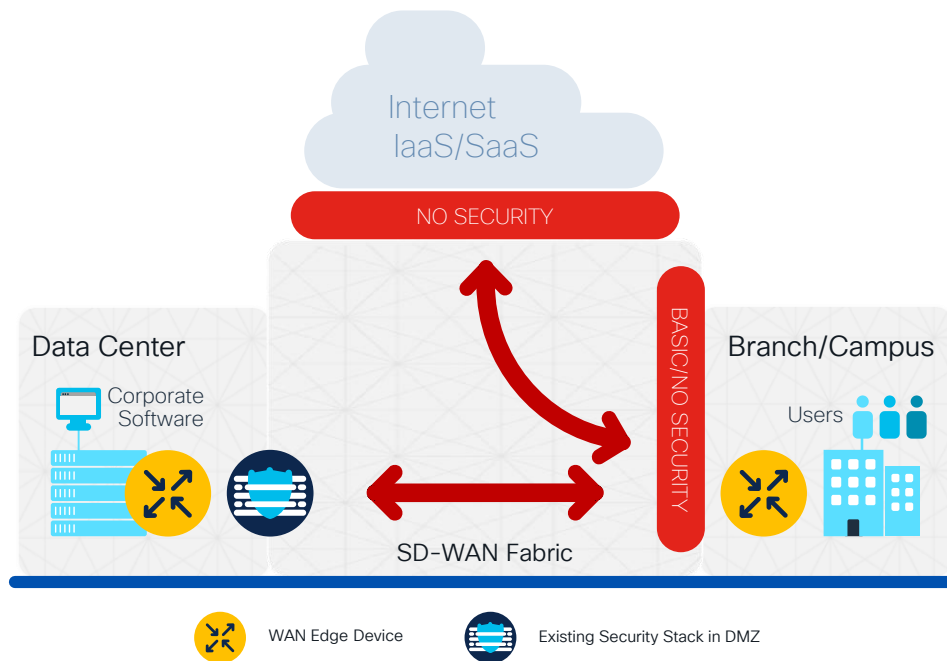
End-to-End Segmentation with Multi-Topology



Segment connectivity across the SD-WAN fabric without reliance on underlay transport

WAN Edge routers maintain per-VPN routing table for complete control plane separation

How SD-WAN Exposes New Security Challenges



Internal & External Threats

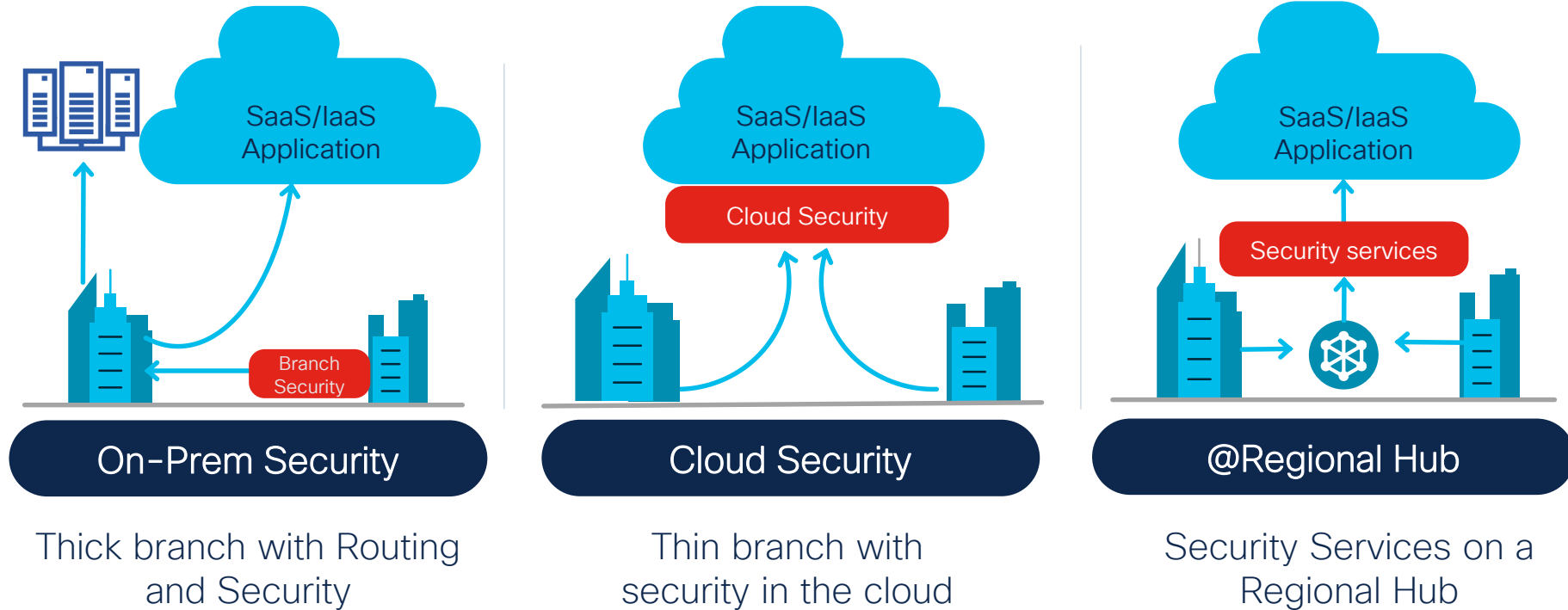
External

- Exposure to malware & phishing due to direct internet and cloud access
- Data breaches
- Guest access liability

Internal

- Untrusted access (malicious insider)
- Compliance (PCI, HIPPA, GDPR)
- Lateral movements (breach propagation)

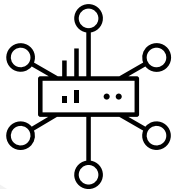
Relevant Security Models. Driving towards SASE



Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN Security & SASE Solution

Consistent across on-prem and cloud

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SD-WAN



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Cisco
Security

NextGeneration Firewall

Layer 3 to 7 apps classified with User Identity

Intrusion Protection System

Most widely deployed IPS engine in the world

Custom
Applications

URL-Filtering

Web reputation score using 82+ web categories

Adv. Malware Protection

With File Reputation and Sandboxing (TG)

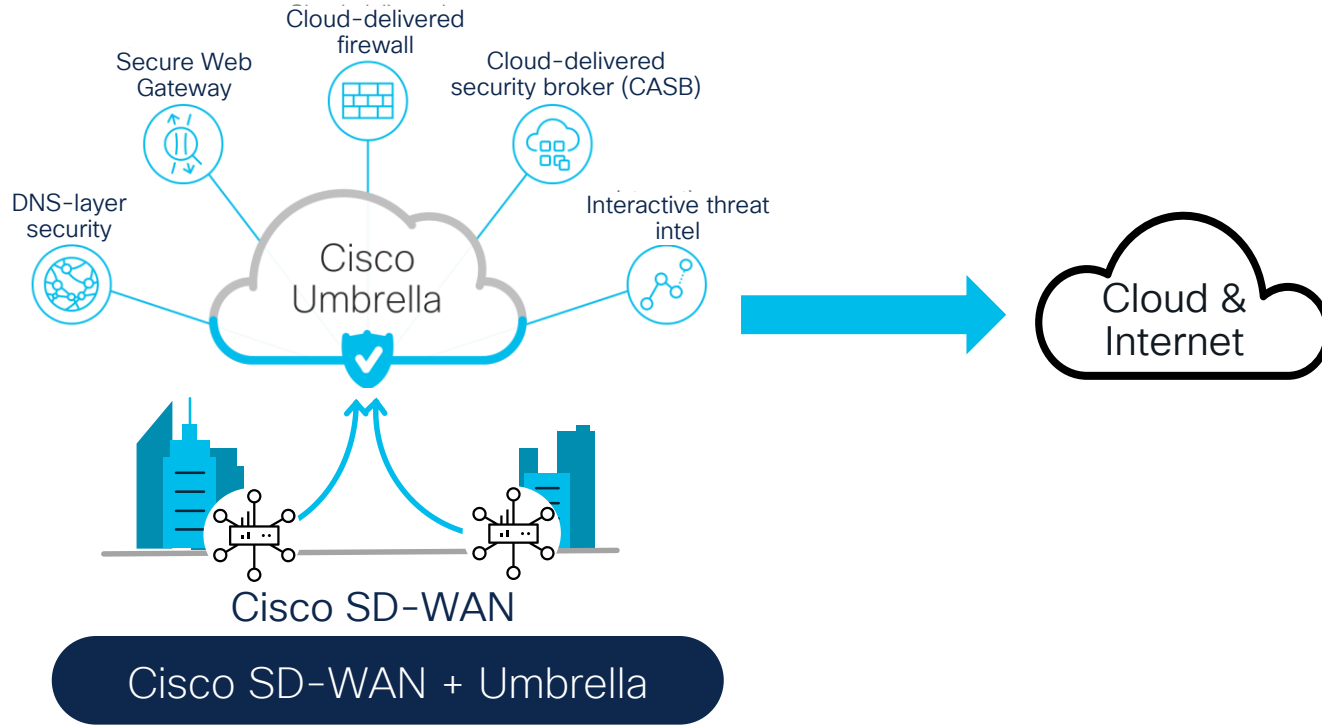
SSL Proxy

Detect Threats in Encrypted Traffic

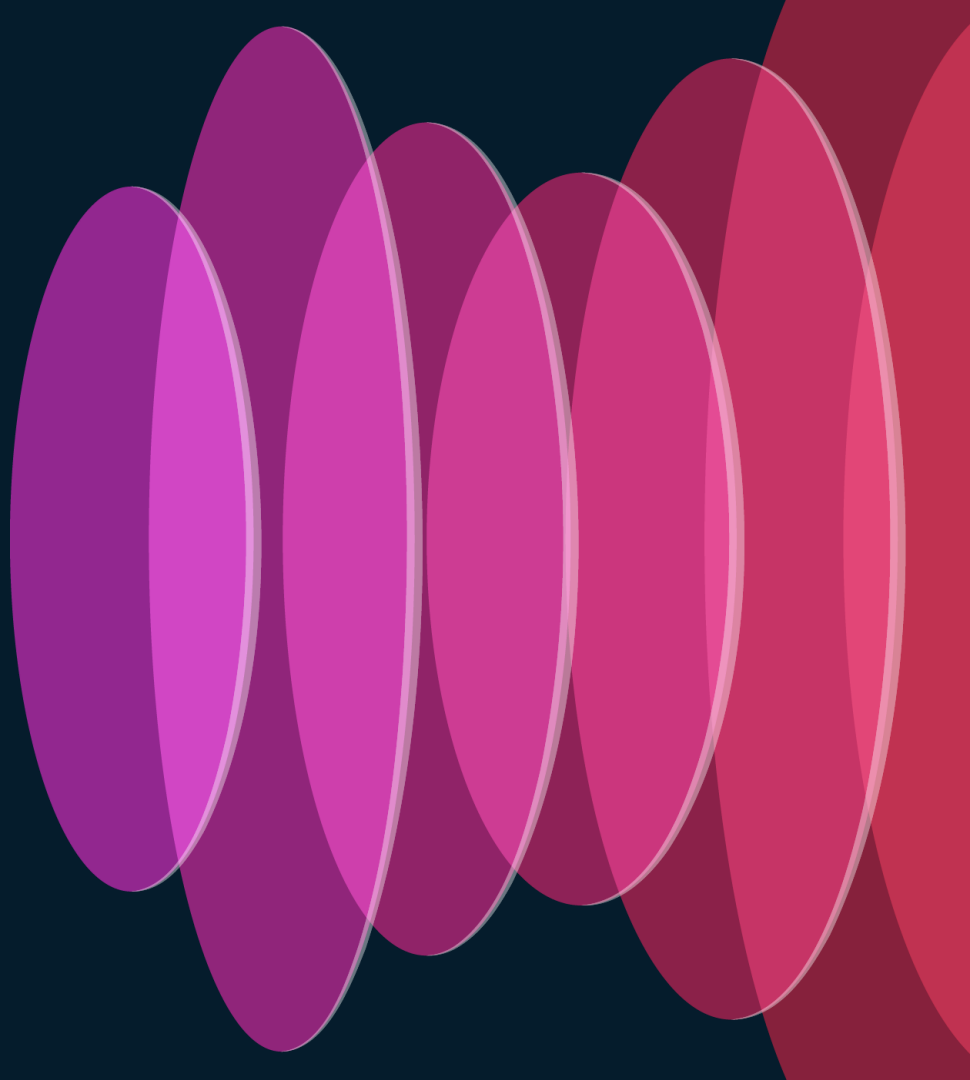
Umbrella Cloud Security

DNS Security/Cloud FW with Cisco Umbrella

Transitioning towards a Cloud security model

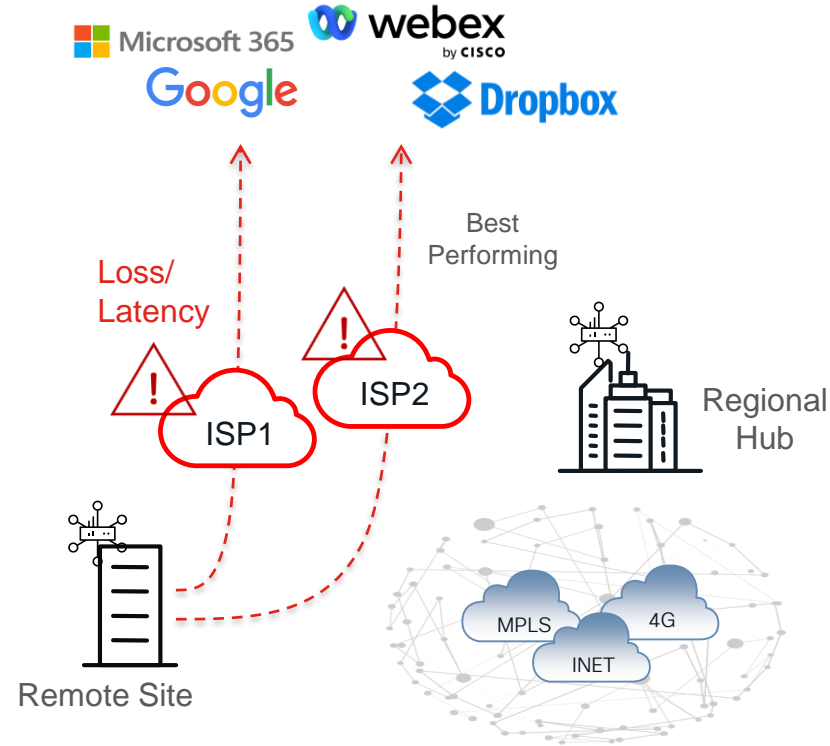


Cloud OnRamp for SaaS

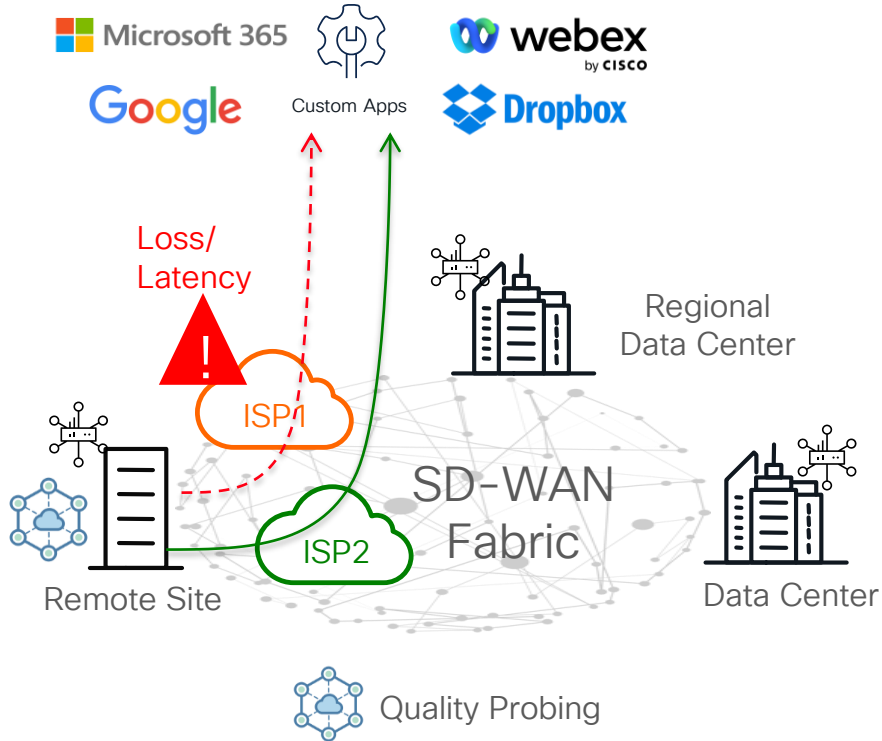


SaaS Optimization Challenges

- Internet circuits performance is unreliable.
- How to get performance visibility for each available path?
- When specific path is having performance issues, How to automatically steer traffic ?

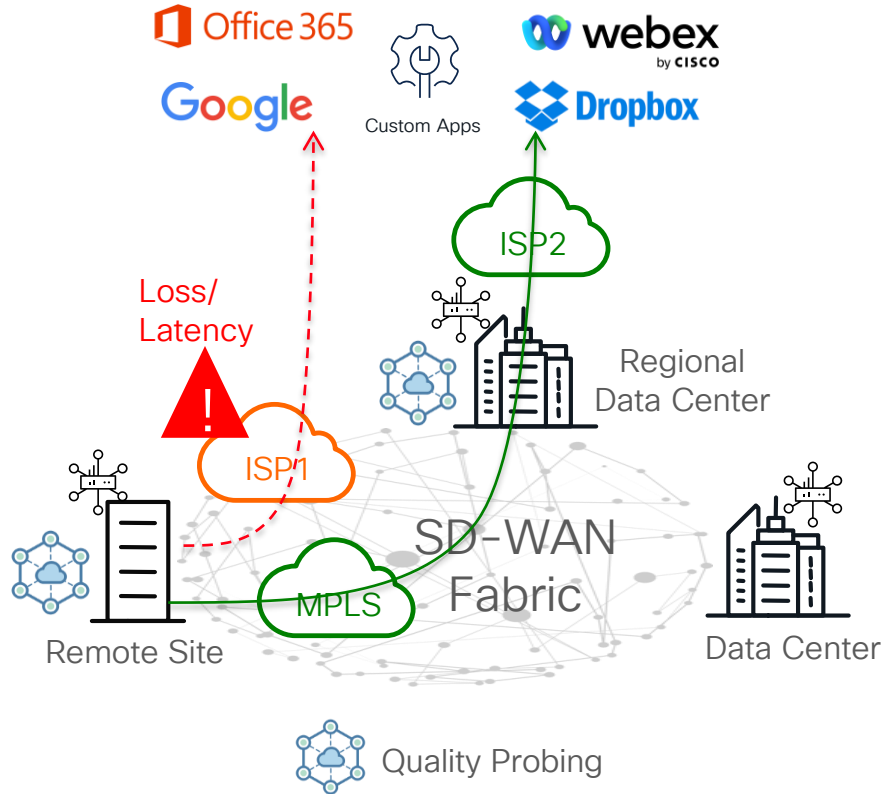


Cloud onRamp for SaaS – Internet DIA



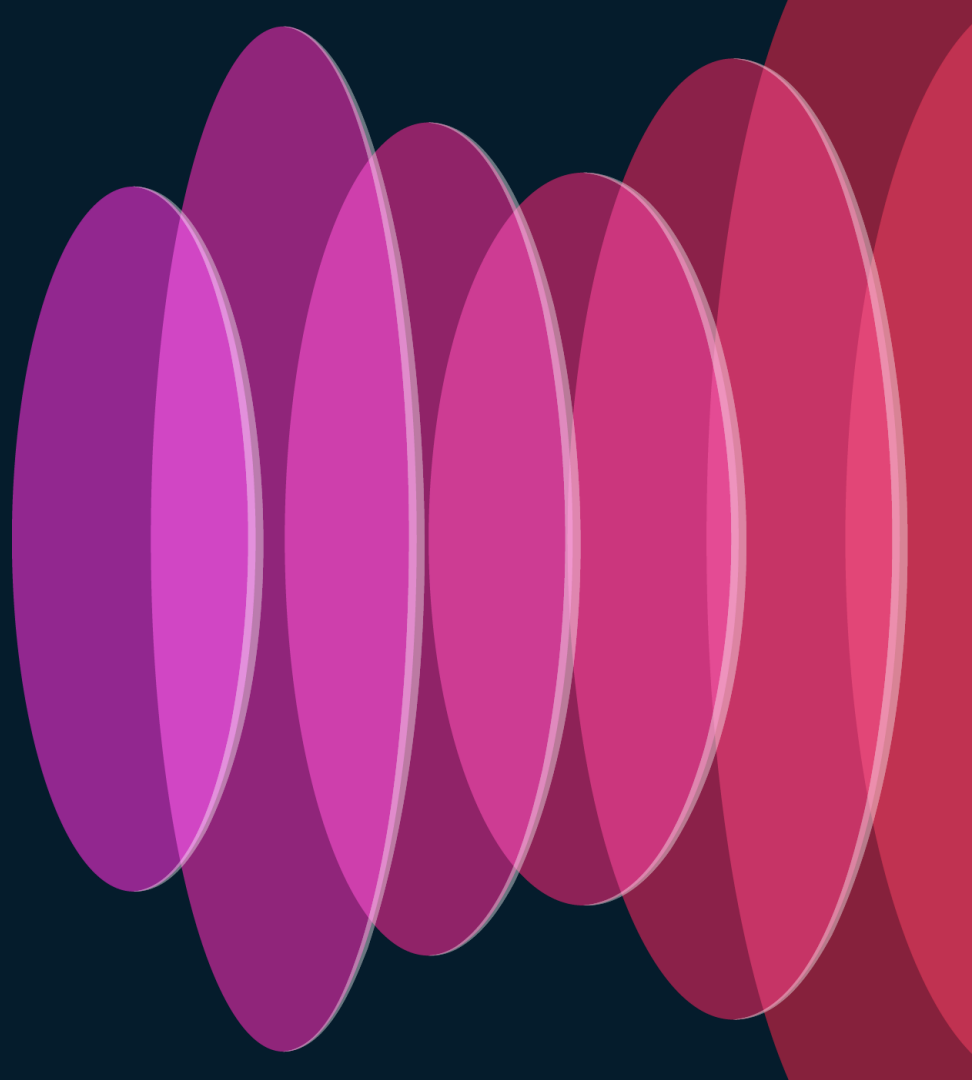
- WAN Edge router at the remote site performs quality probing for selected SaaS applications across each local DIA exit
 - Simulates client connection using HTTP ping
- Results of quality probing are quantified as vQoE score (combination of loss and latency)
- Local DIA exit with better vQoE score is chosen to carry the traffic for the selected SaaS application
 - Initial application flow may choose sub-optimal path until DPI identification is complete and cache table is populated

Cloud onRamp for SaaS – Regional Gateway



- Wan Edge routers at the remote site and regional hub perform quality probing for selected SaaS applications across their local Internet exits
 - Simulate client connection using HTTP ping
- Results of quality probing are quantified as vQoE score (combination of loss and latency)
 - HTTP ping for local DIA and App-Route+HTTP ping for regional Internet exit
- Internet exit with better vQoE score is chosen to carry the traffic for the selected SaaS application
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Cloud OnRamp for MultiCloud



Cisco SD-WAN Cloud Hub- Use Cases

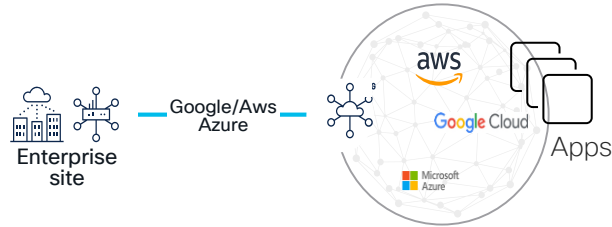


= Cisco SD-WAN virtual router hosted at Cloud Service Provider POP



= Cisco SD-WAN router on-premises

Enterprise Site to Cloud



Enterprise Site to Enterprise Site

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Cloud to Cloud/Inter-Cloud

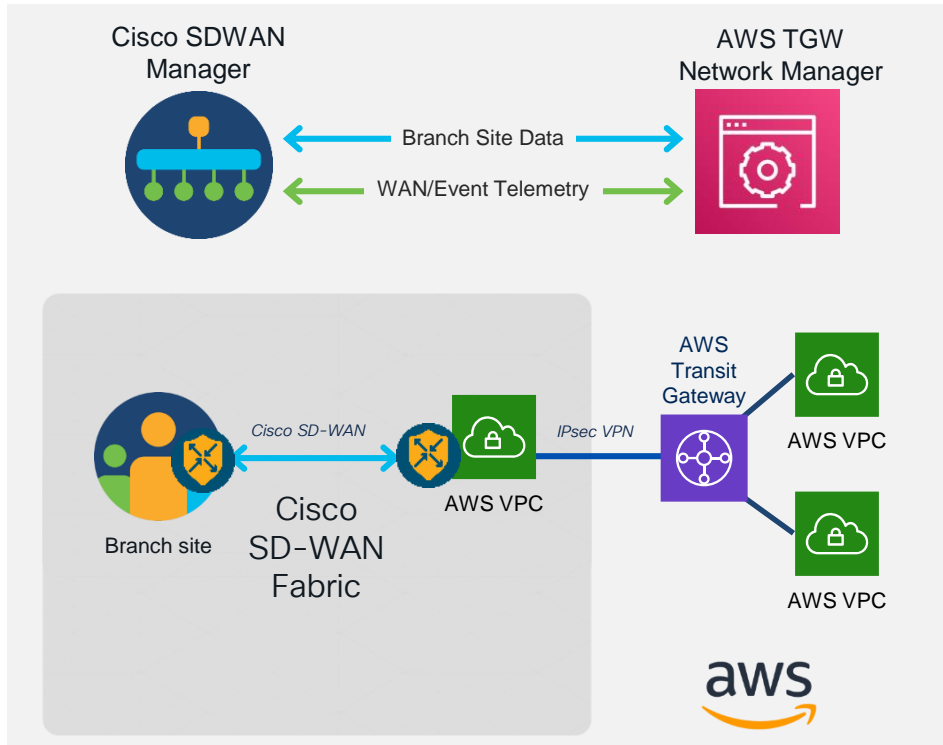


Cisco SD-WAN simplifying connectivity with fabric extension to cloud providers, it is building a programable site-to-cloud, Region to Region, site-to-site and cloud to cloud connectivity using cloud providers Native contracts and backbone

Extending SD-WAN into Public Cloud (AWS as example)

Benefits

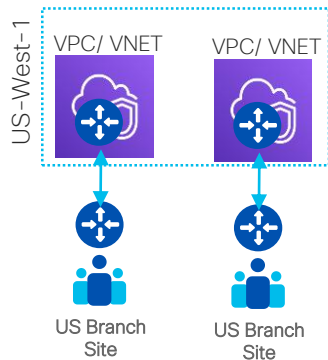
- Automated provisioning of SD-WAN Transit VPC and TGW, route exchange for site to cloud and site to site traffic over AWS backbone
- Full Visibility into inter-regional transit traffic and telemetry with TGW Network Manager
- Consistent Policy and Segmentation across branch and cloud for enterprise class security



High Level Design Options

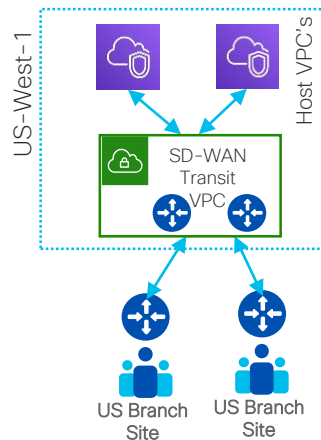
CSP-generic, AWS used as example

Cloud Gateway



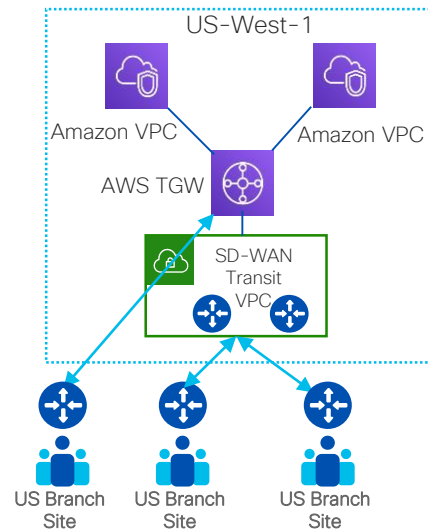
- SD-WAN Router in every VPC/VNET.
- Not scalable, but okay for one VPC.
- No built-in automation in Cloud onRamp, custom automation possible

Cloud OnRamp for IaaS



- Transit VPC with SD-WAN routers.
- IPSec to host VPCs / VNETS via VGW
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Cloud OnRamp for Multicloud



- AWS TGW or Azure vWAN is used
- IPSec to AWS TGW, BGP on top of IPSec
- Cloud networks learnt via BGP, redistributed into OMP.
- AWS (17.3), Azure (17.4) and Google Cloud (17.5) automation on vManage known as Cloud onRamp for Multicloud
- Branch Connect - Traditional IPSec to AWS TGW (17.5)
- Cloud WAN coming in 2022

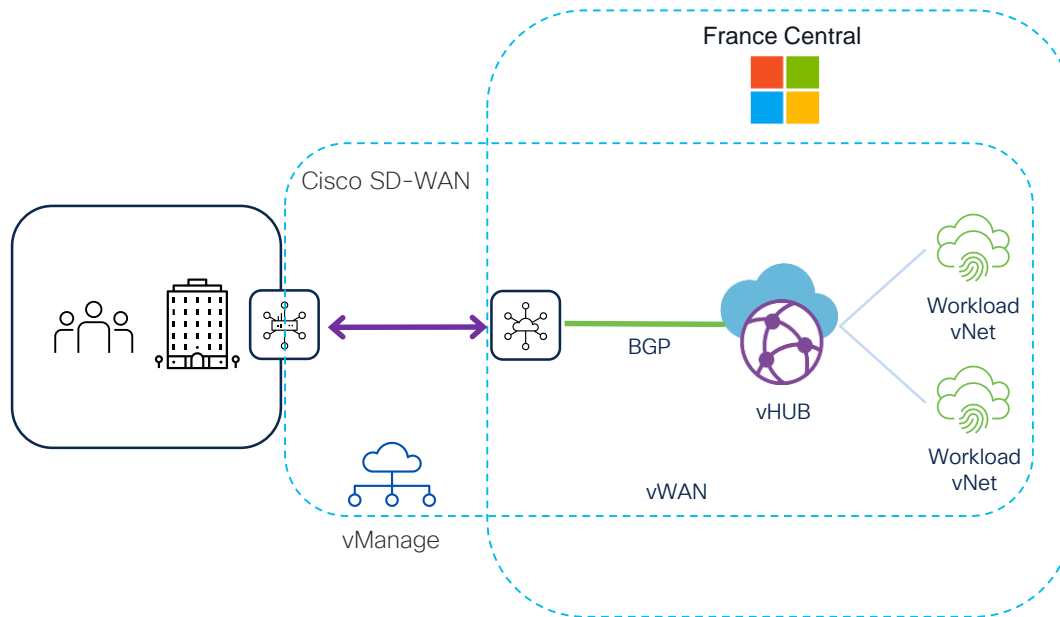
Automation (CSP-generic)

Different Automation options

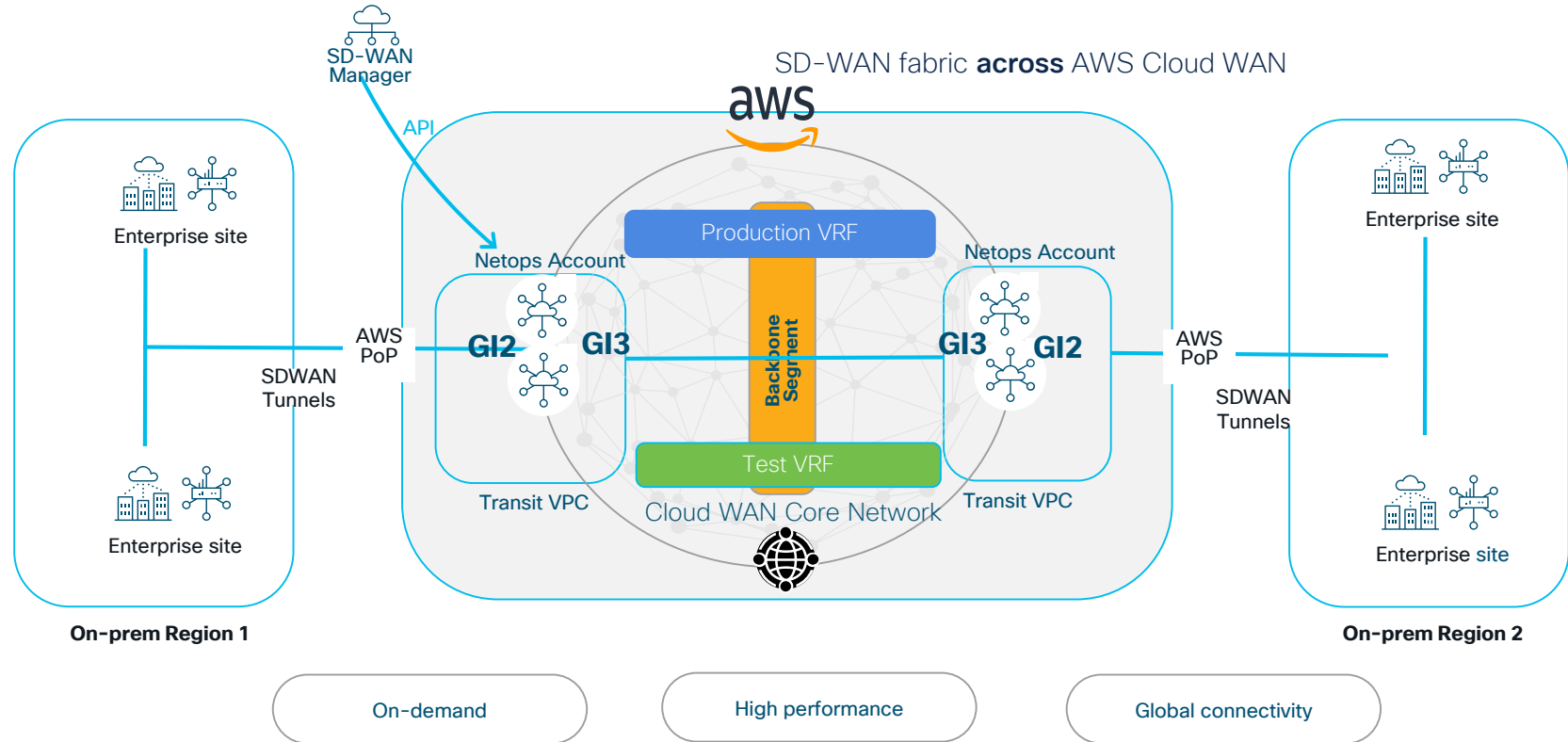
- Cloud OnRamp (CoR) for Multicloud Automation built in vManage
- Custom Automation with 3rd party tools like Terraform and Ansible

	Pros	Cons
Cloud OnRamp Automation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Single UI in vManage for the whole workflow• Discovers host VPCs/VNETS and connects public-cloud with SD-WAN within minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Not possible to add own customization for design changes i.e., virtual firewall• No built-in auto scale capabilities (yet)
Custom Automation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Will do exactly what customer wants• Can be changed in case of any design changes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Takes time and money to develop and test (customer, Cisco CX or Partner)

Cisco SD-WAN Cloud OnRamp for Multicloud with Microsoft Azure



Site-to-Site with Cloud WAN



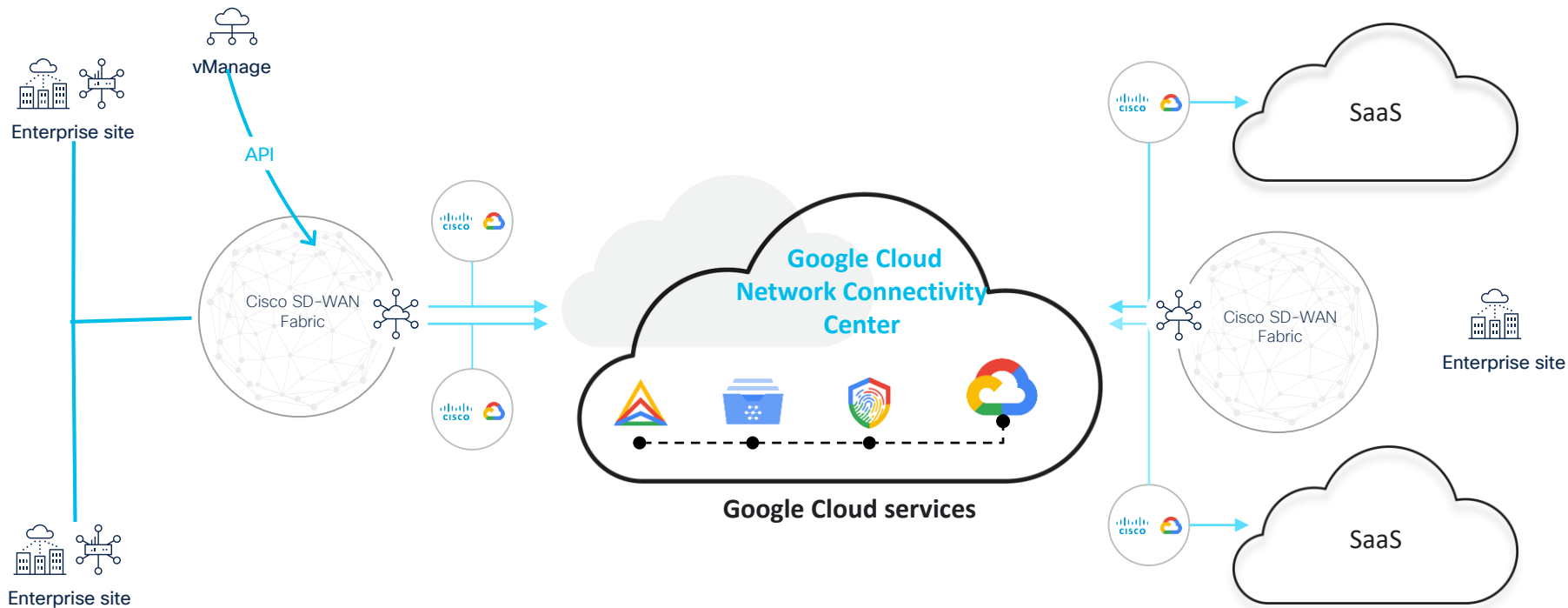
Cisco SD-WAN Cloud Hub and Google Cloud Network Connectivity Center



= Cisco SD-WAN router on-premises



= Cisco SD-WAN cloud router at Google Cloud



Cisco SD-WAN Cloud Hub with Google Cloud

Cisco SD-WAN Middle-Mile Optimization



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Cloud WAN



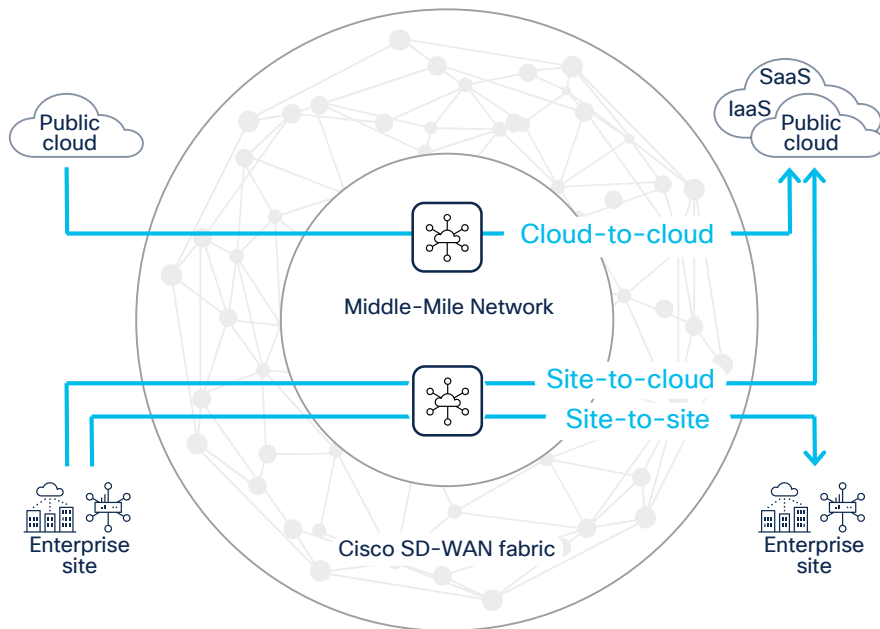
Google Cloud NCC



= Cisco SD-WAN virtual router



= Cisco SD-WAN router on-premises



Flexibility

All or selective traffic sent based on type or app



Reliability

Reliable, high-speed connectivity between sites



Security

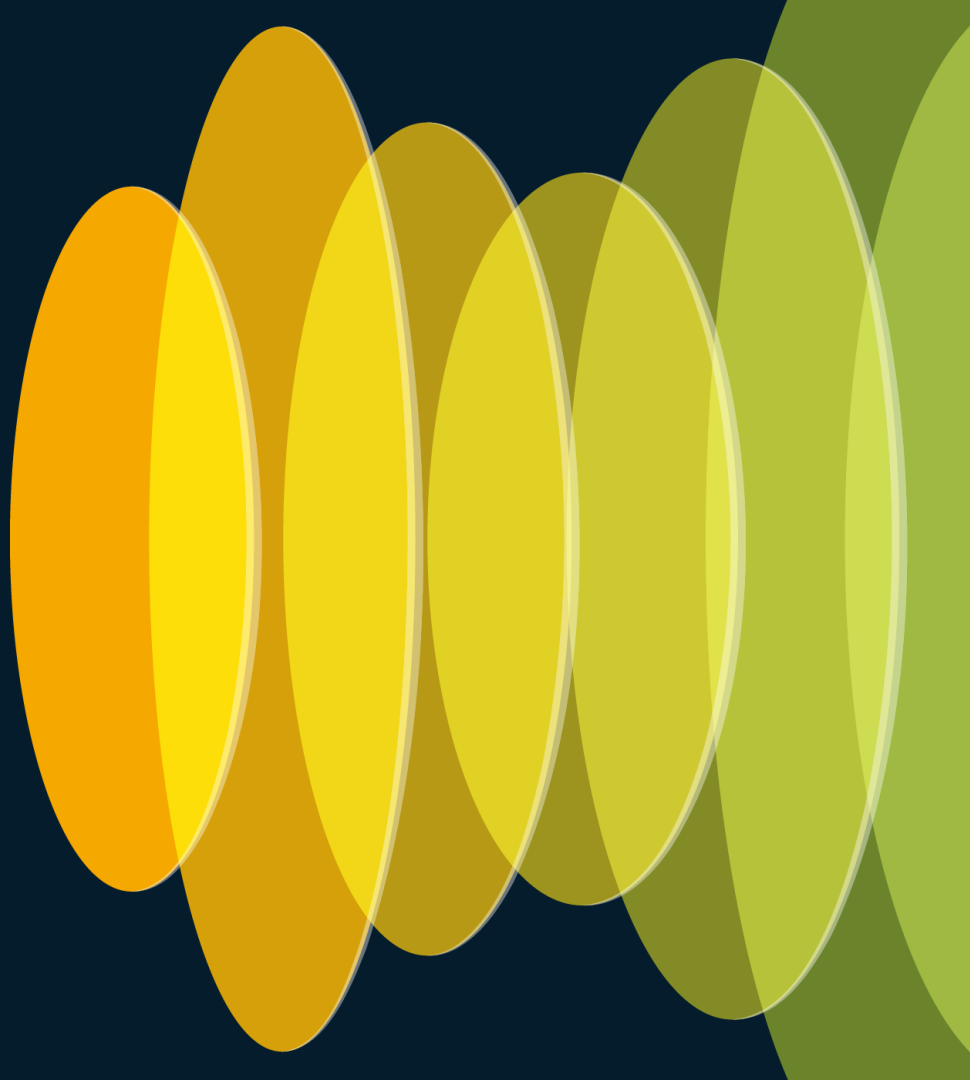
End-to-end encryption over middle mile global backbone



On-demand

Automated connectivity via vManage central dashboard

SD-Routing?





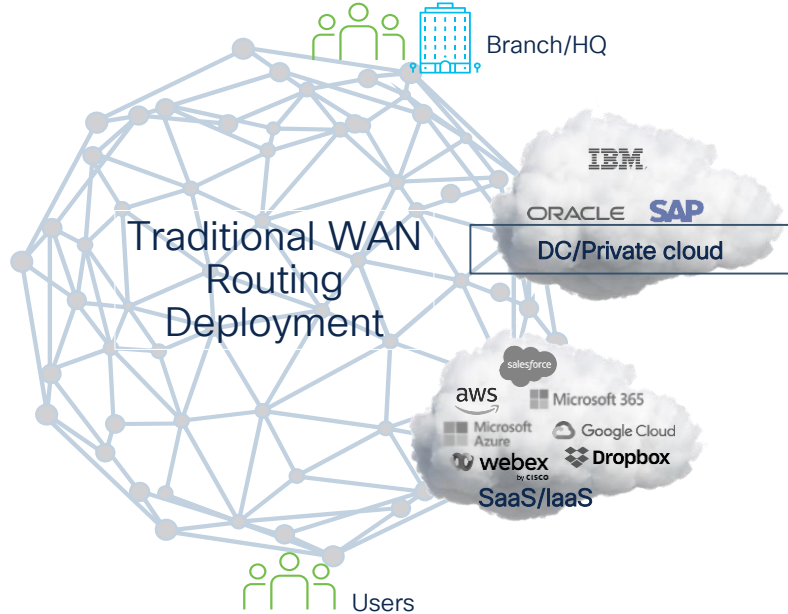
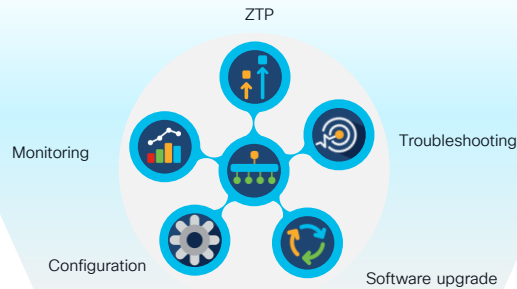
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Introducing SD-Routing

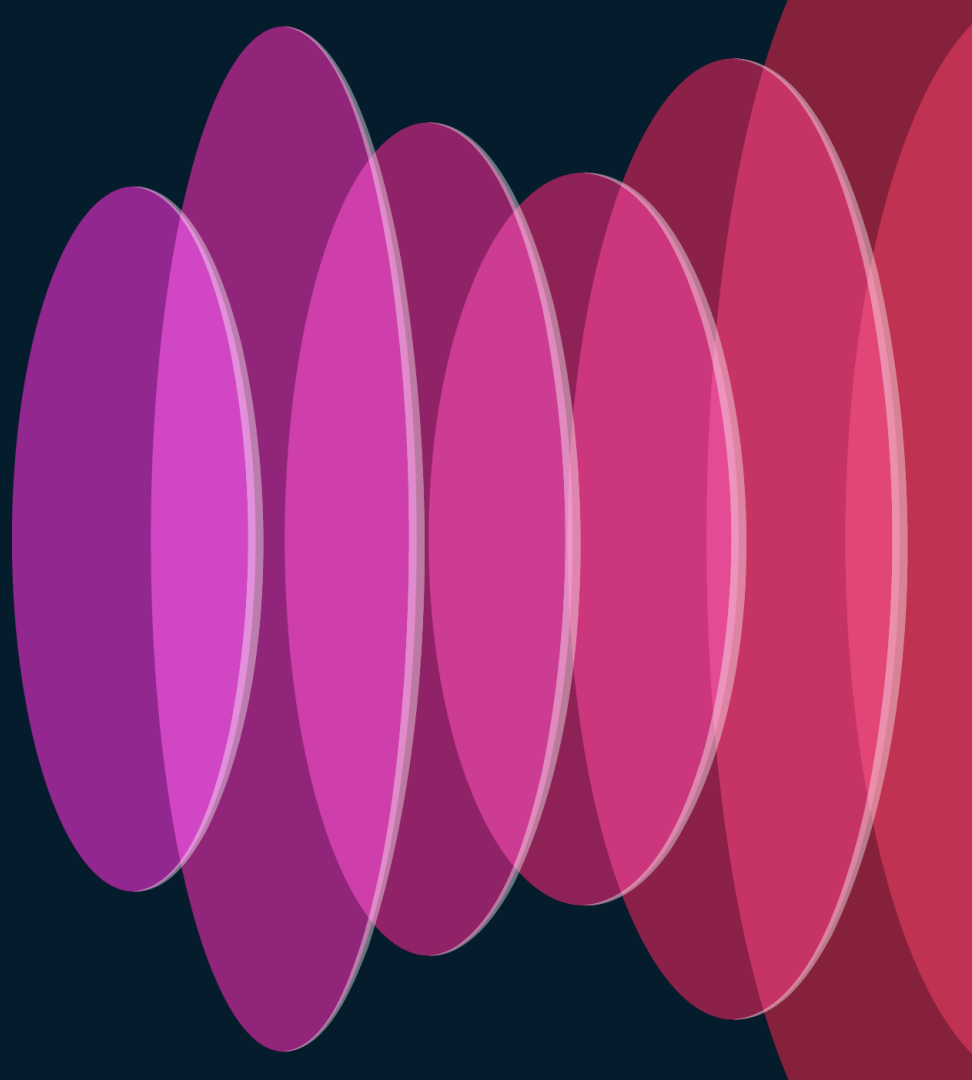
Transform the platform experience



Catalyst SD-WAN Manager

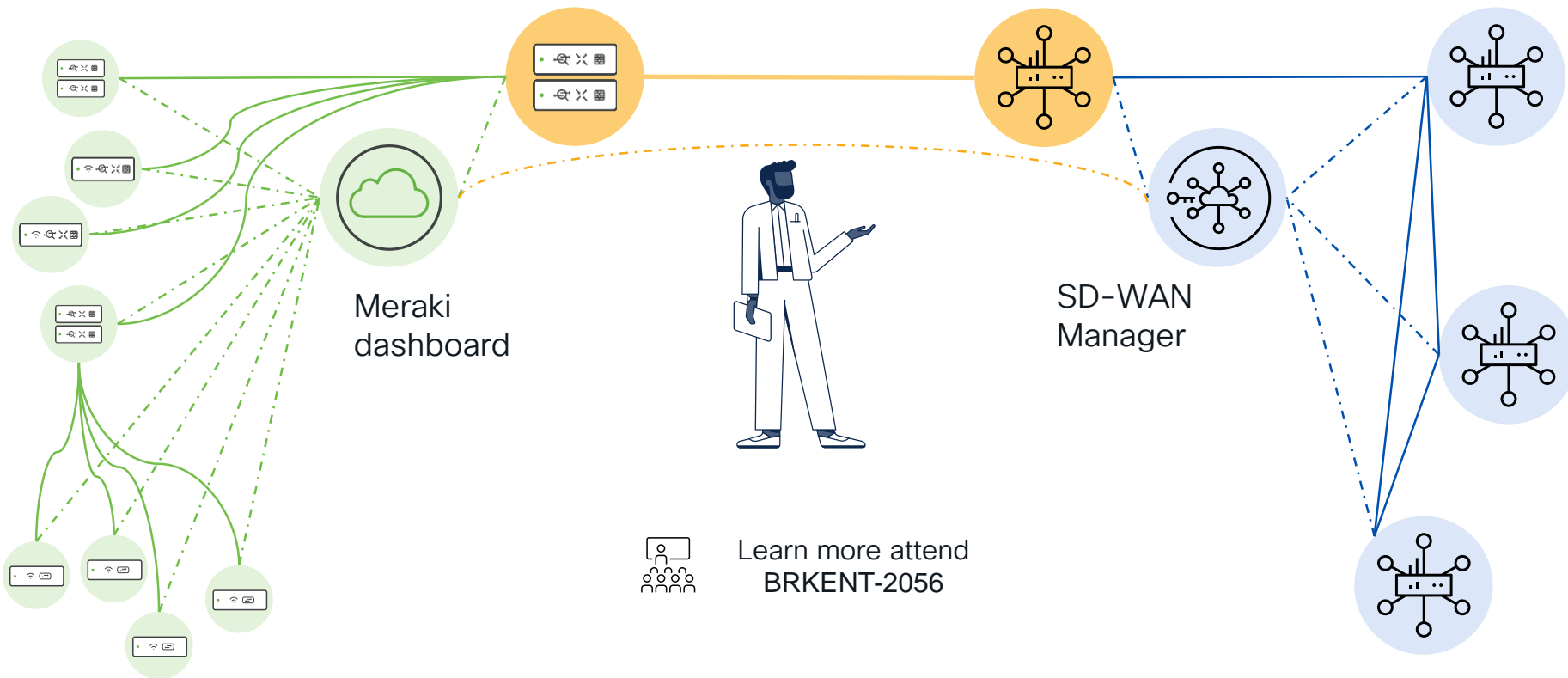


What about Meraki SD- WAN?



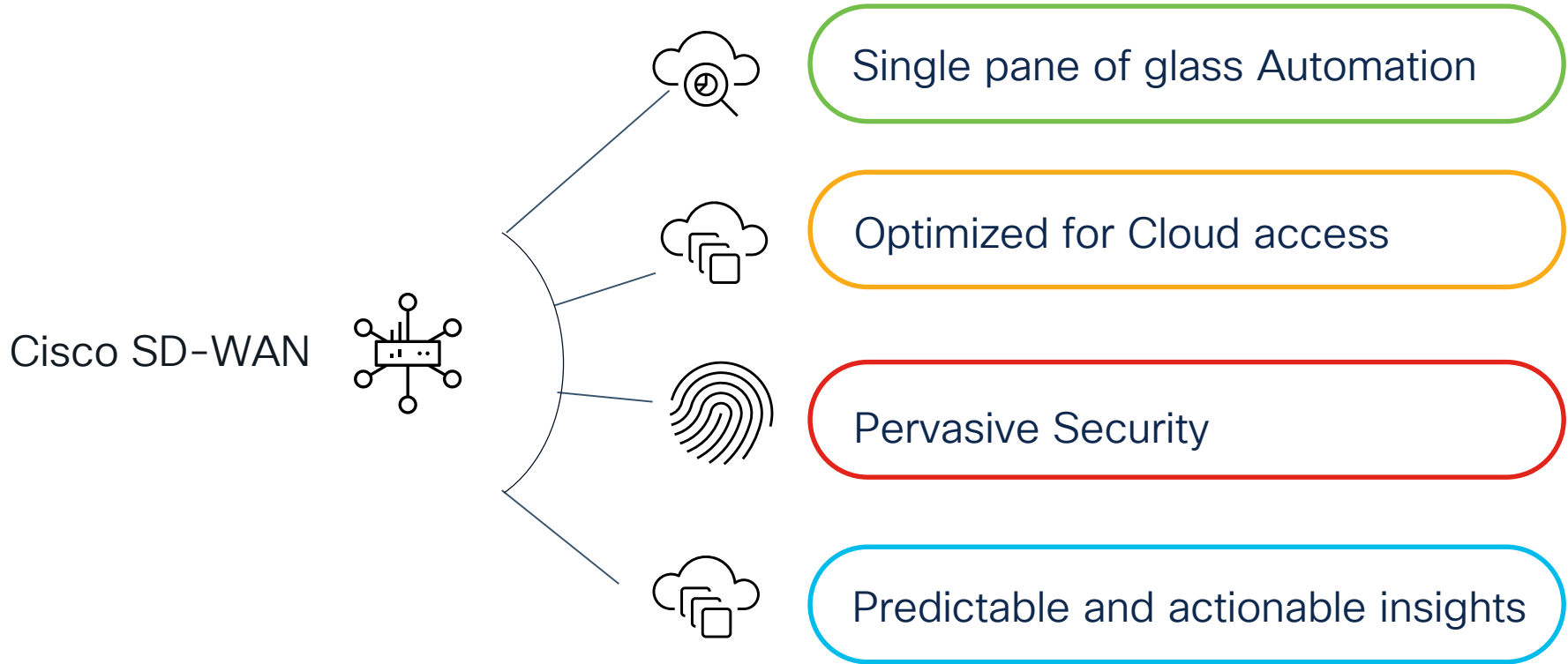
Cisco SD-WAN

Joining fabrics is now a simplified experience



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Key Takeaways



SD-WAN – This is it.

Networking

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Making SD-WAN Easy: Operational Simplification and User Experience

Wednesday, June 5 | 10:30 a.m.

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FINISH

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Advanced SD-WAN Policies Troubleshooting

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3 Steps to Gain Actionable Visibility in the Cisco Catalyst SD-WAN using ThousandEyes

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Empower Your Meraki SD-WAN: Unleashing Unified SASE with Cloud-Driven Secure Connect

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