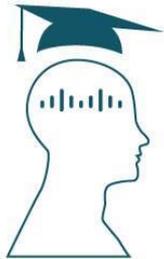


TOMORROW starts here.



”Cisco Technologies: LAN”



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What is “Local Area Network” ?



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Def:

“..A local area network (LAN) is a computer network that interconnects computers within a limited area such as a home, school, computer laboratory, or office building using network media..”

Source: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Local_area_network

Agenda

- 1. LAN beginnings**
- 2. LAN fundamental techniques**
- 3. Catalyst hardware solutions**
- 4. LAN - more than data network !**
- 5. Data Centers**
- 6. Application Centric Infrastructure Concept**

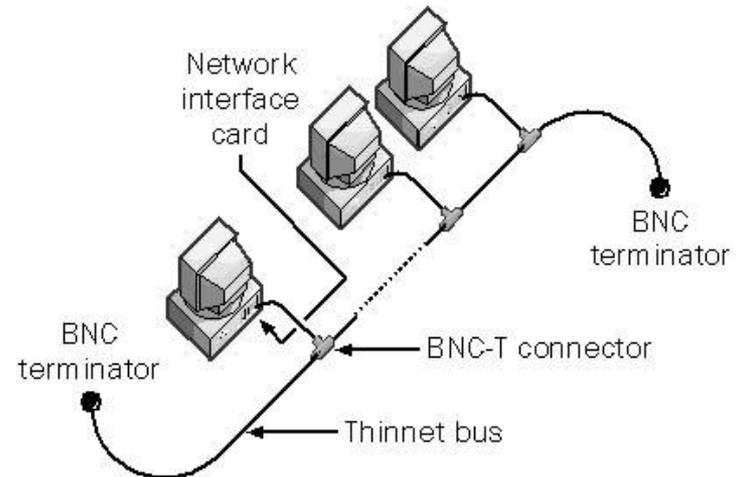


1. LAN *beginnings*



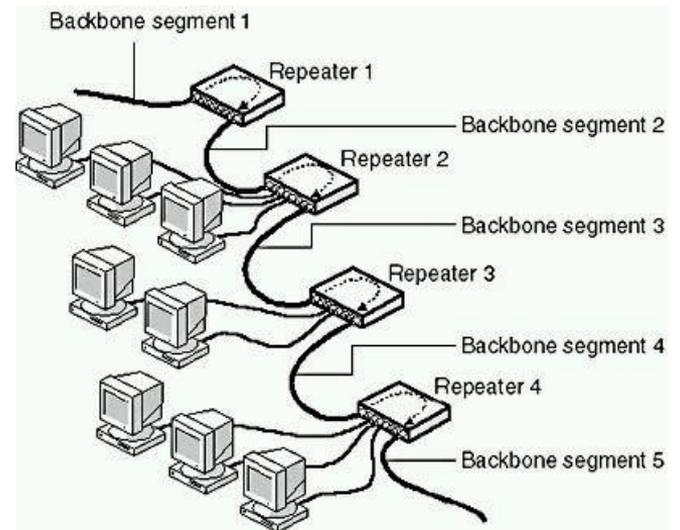
LAN Beginning

- Shared media -> CSMA/CD as access algorithm
 - COAX Cables
 - Half duplex communication
 - One collision domain and also one broadcast domain
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- 10Base2 (thin eth)– segment 185m/30 nodes
 - 10Base5 (thick eth)– segment 500m /100 nodes



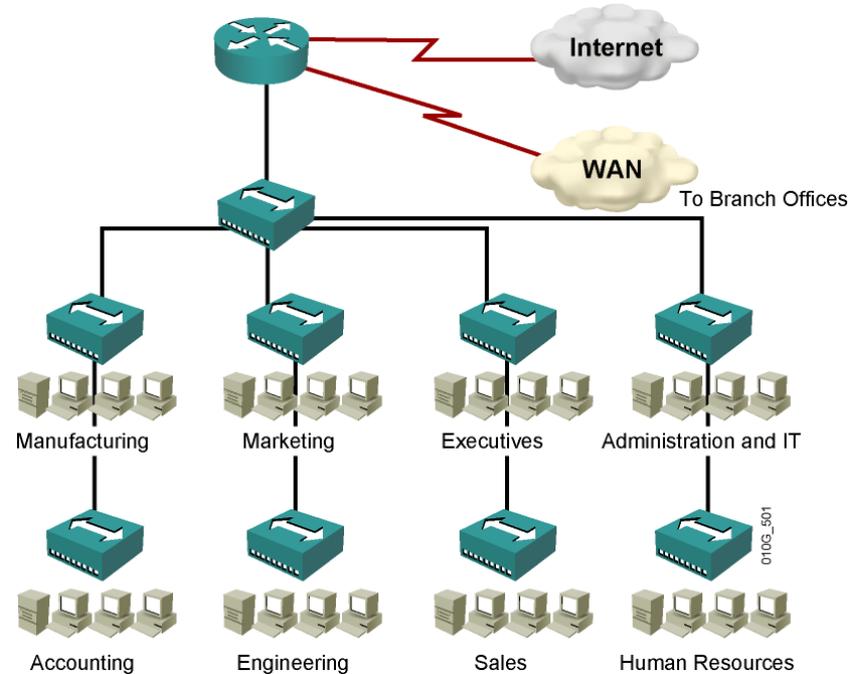
Multiport repeaters (HUB)

- Demand for structured cabling (voice-grade twisted-pair)
- 10BaseT (Cat3, Cat4, ...)
- Multiport repeater ("Hub") created
- Still one collision domain ("CSMA/CD in a box")
- Active element allows to extend the network distance



(HUB) Nonhierarchical Network Devices

- Large collision domain
- Large broadcast domain
- High latency
- Difficult to troubleshoot

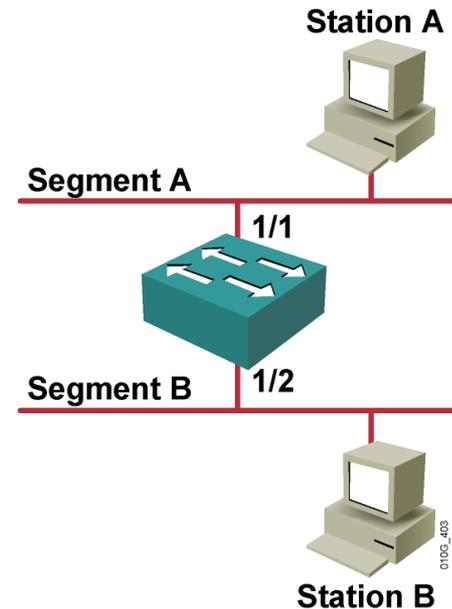


Bridges

- Store and forwarding according to destination MAC address
- Separated collision domains
- Improved network performance
- Still one broadcast domain

Major functions:

- Learning of MAC addresses
- Forwarding/filtering frames
- Forwarding Broadcasts



Switches

- Switch = Multiport Bridges with HW acceleration
- Full duplex -> Collision-free Ethernet -> No CSMA/CD necessary anymore
- Different data rates at the same time supported
- Autonegotiation

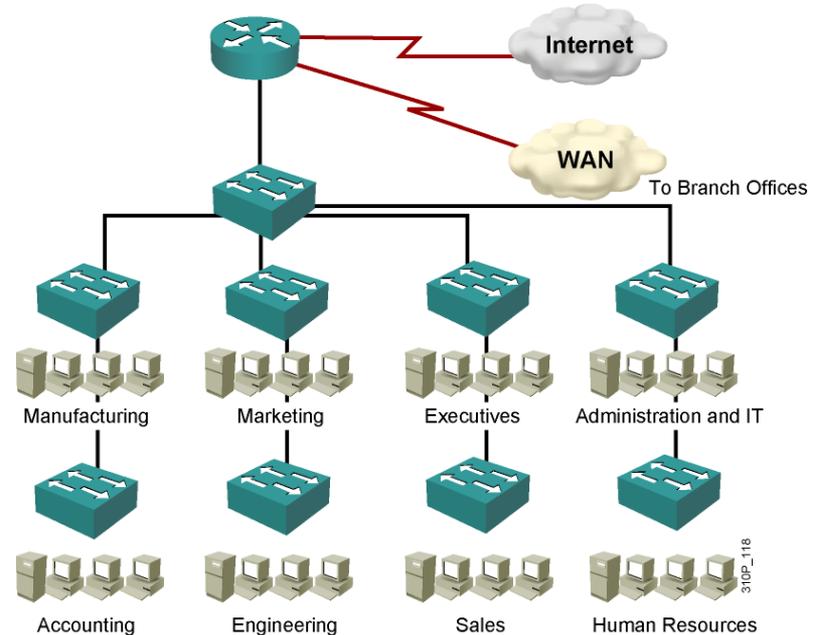


2. LAN fundamental techniques



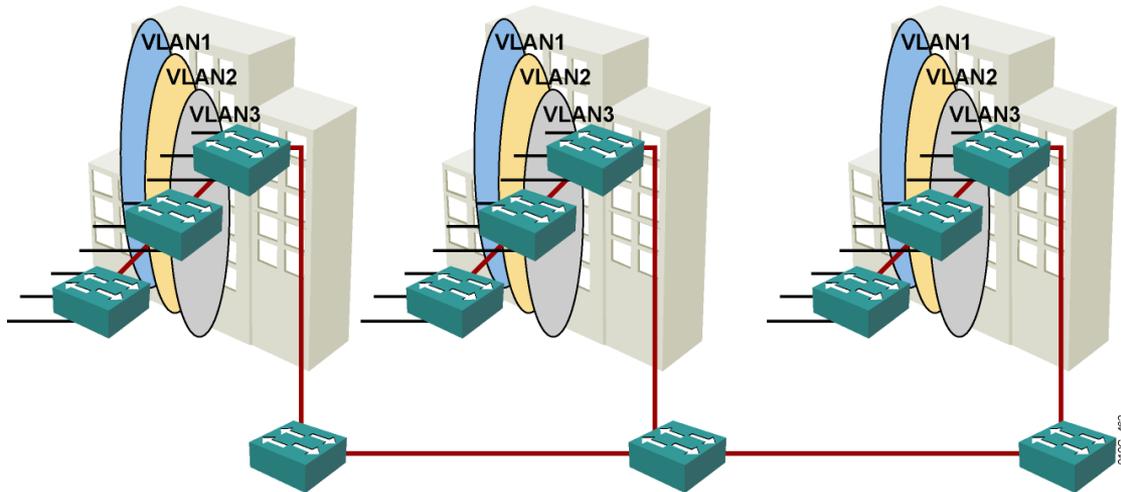
Challenges when multiple L2 switches used

- Large broadcast domains
- Large amount of unknown MAC unicast traffic
- Unbounded multicast traffic
- Management and support challenges
- Possible security vulnerabilities



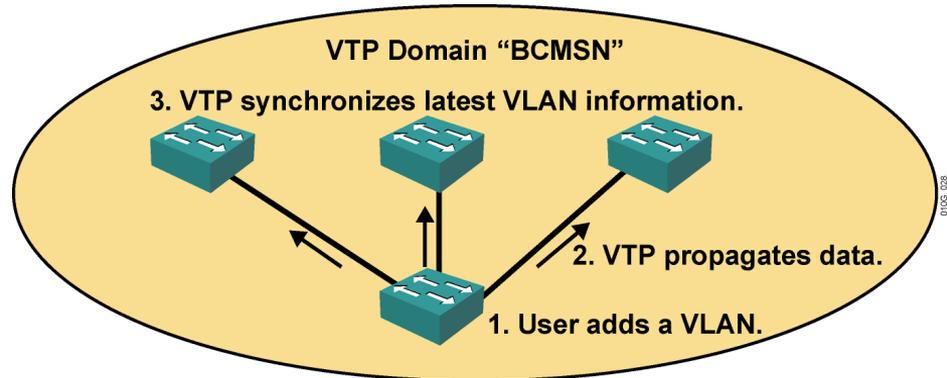
VLAN

- Users are grouped into VLANs independent of physical location.
- If users are moved within the campus, their VLAN membership remains the same.



The VTP Protocol

- Advertises VLAN configuration information
- Maintains VLAN configuration consistency throughout a common administrative domain
- Sends advertisements on trunk ports only



VTP Modes

Server (default mode)

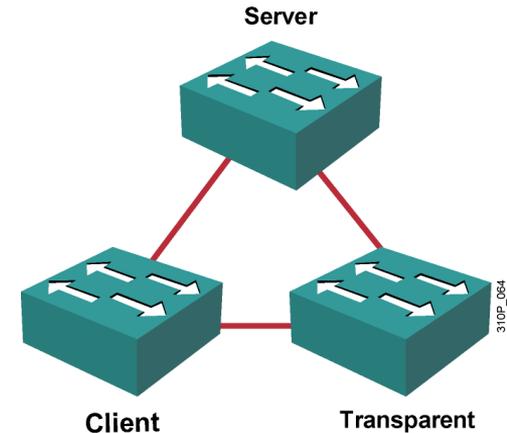
- Creates, modifies, and deletes VLANs
- Sends and forwards advertisements
- Synchronizes VLAN configurations
- Saves configuration in NVRAM

Client

- Cannot create, change, or delete VLANs
- Forwards advertisements
- Synchronizes VLAN configurations
- Does not save in NVRAM

Transparent

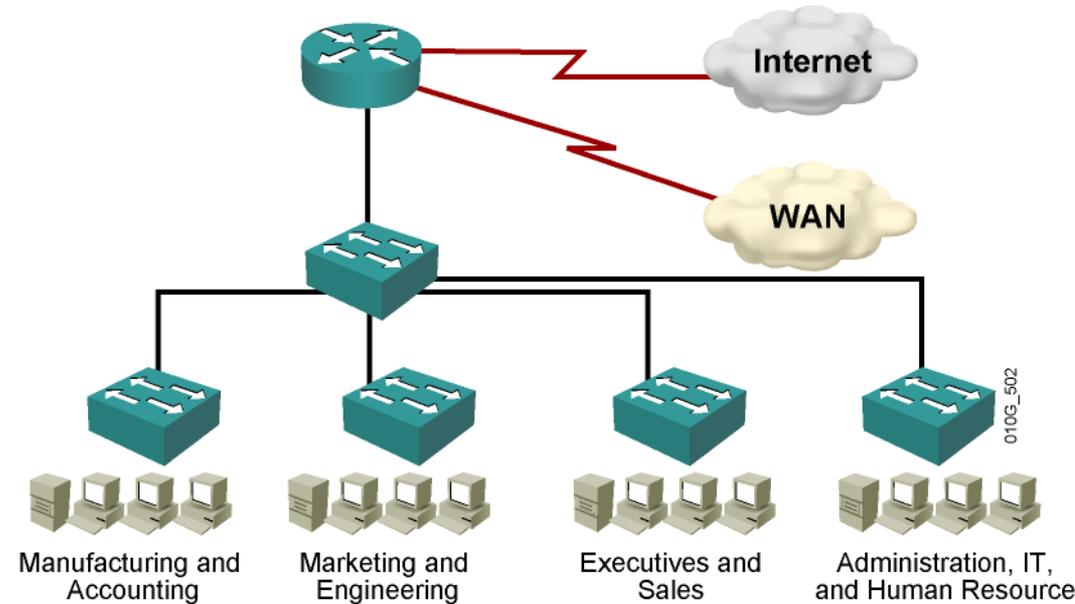
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Layer 2 Switching

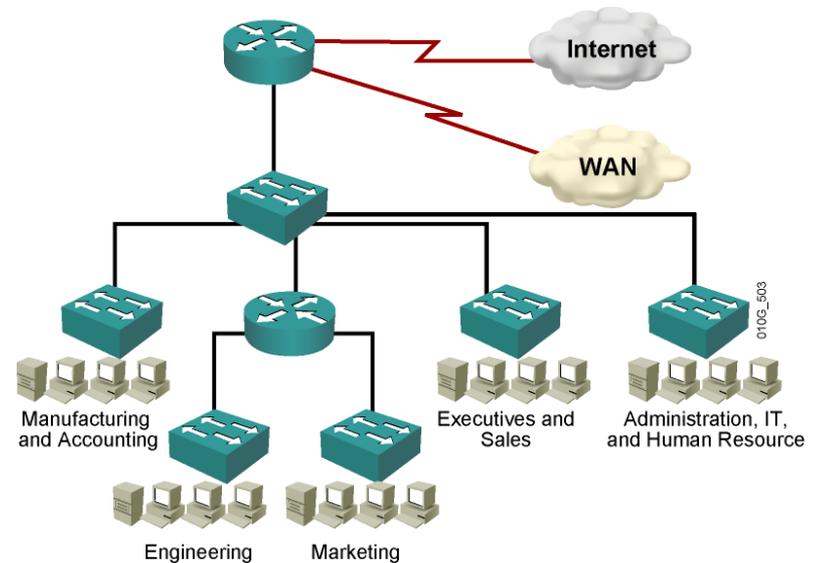
Issues

- No traffic between VLANs
- Servers not centrally located
- L3 point needed



Layer 3 Routing

- **Single broadcast domain per interface**
- **ACLs can be applied between segments**



Issues

- **High per-port cost**
- **Layer 3 processing required**
- **High latency over Layer 2 switching**

Hierarchical LAN Design

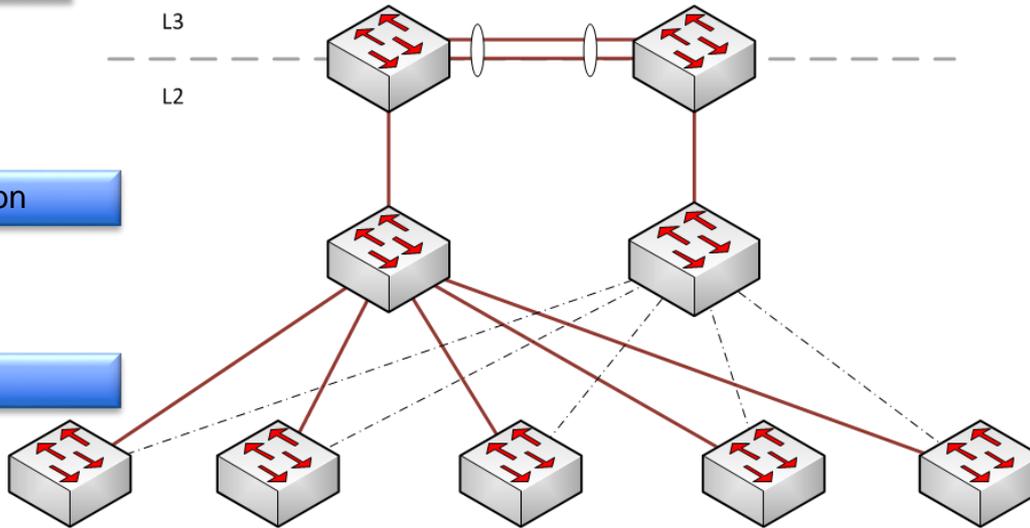
Core

L3

L2

Distribution

Access



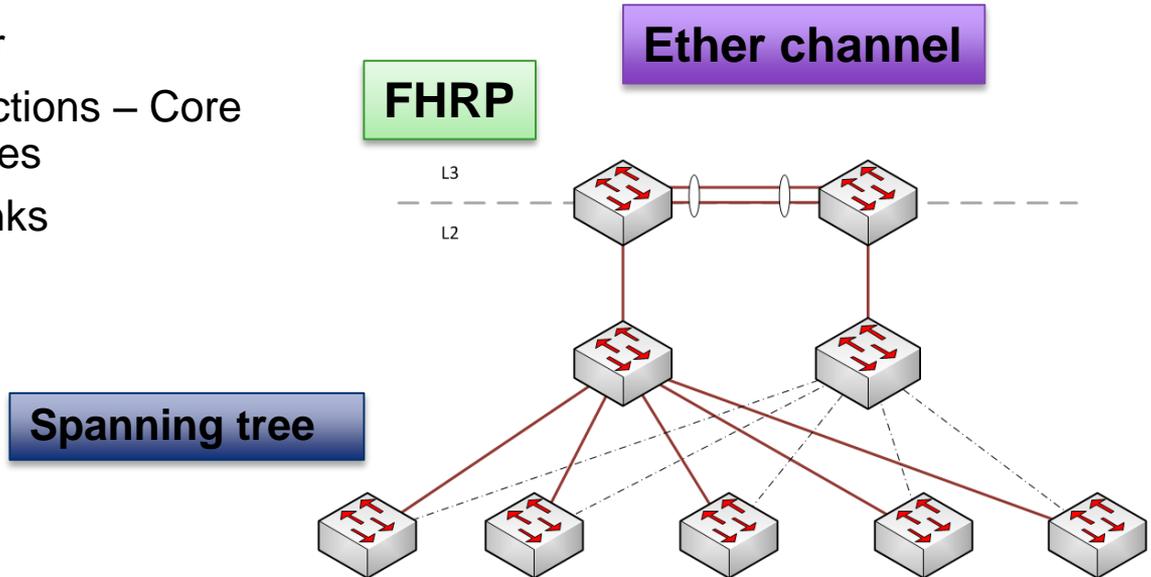
A core layer of high-end devices that are optimized for availability and performance (L3)

A distribution layer of routers and switches that implement policies (Trunk aggregation/L3).

An access layer that connects users via lower-end switches (Usually L2 features only)

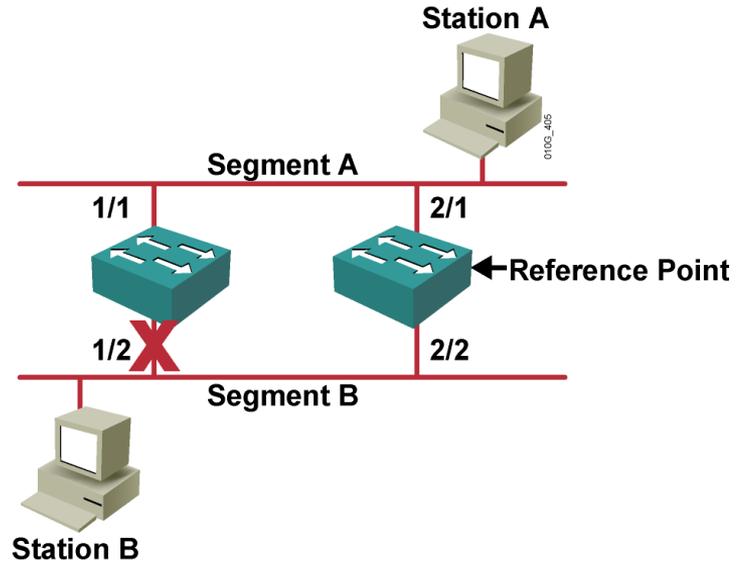
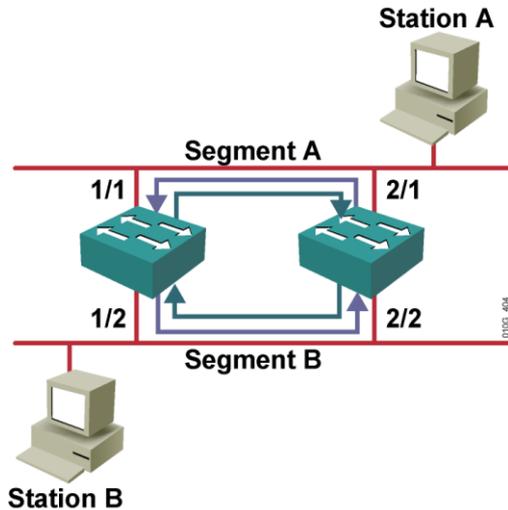
Avoiding single point of failures

- Redundancy on each layer
- Redundancy of all key functions – Core devices / distribution devices
- Redundancy of physical links
- Redundancy of first hop



What Is a Bridge Loop?

- Bridge loops can occur any time there is a redundant path or loop in the bridge network.

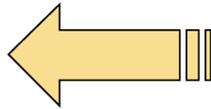


- Bridge loops can be prevented by disabling the redundant path.

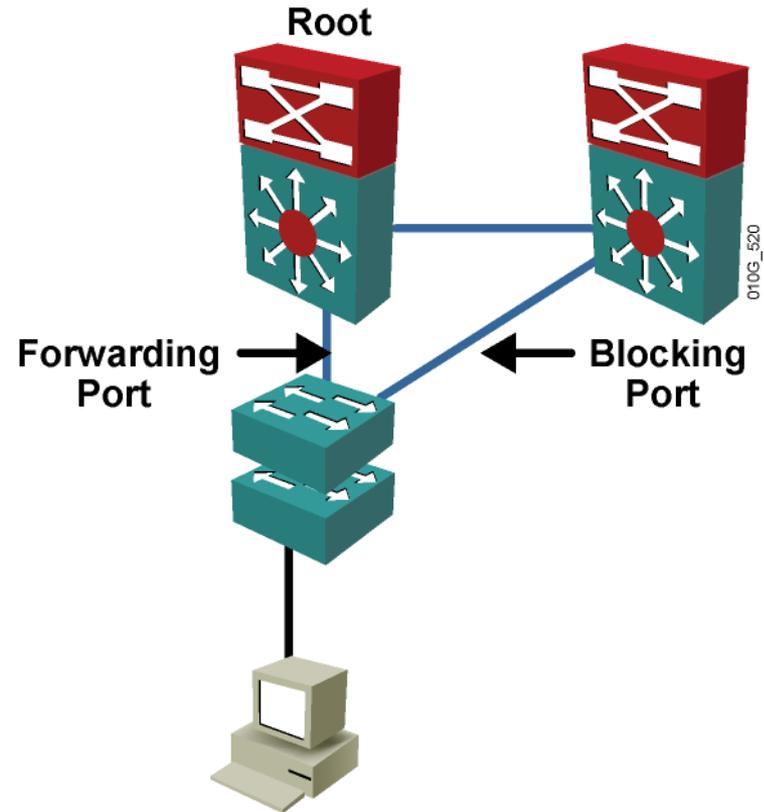
802.1D STP

- Configured root switch
- Redundant switch links
- Optimal path selection

Bytes	Field
2	Protocol ID
1	Version
1	Message Type
1	Flags
8	Root ID
4	Cost of Path
8	Bridge ID
2	Port ID
2	Message Age
2	Maximum Age Time
2	Hellotime
2	Forward Delay



When first booted,
root ID = bridge ID.

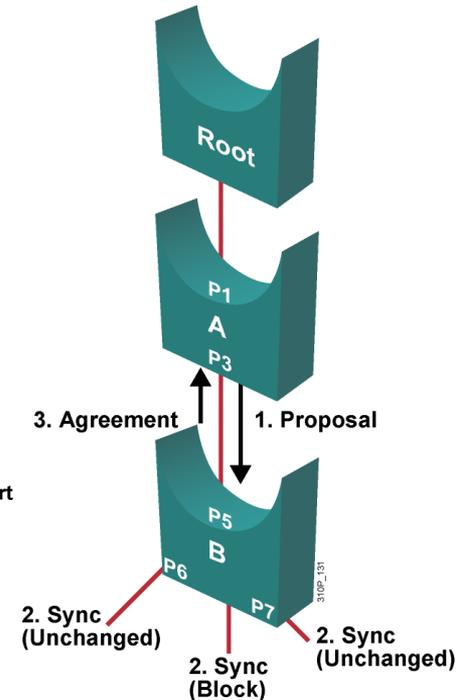
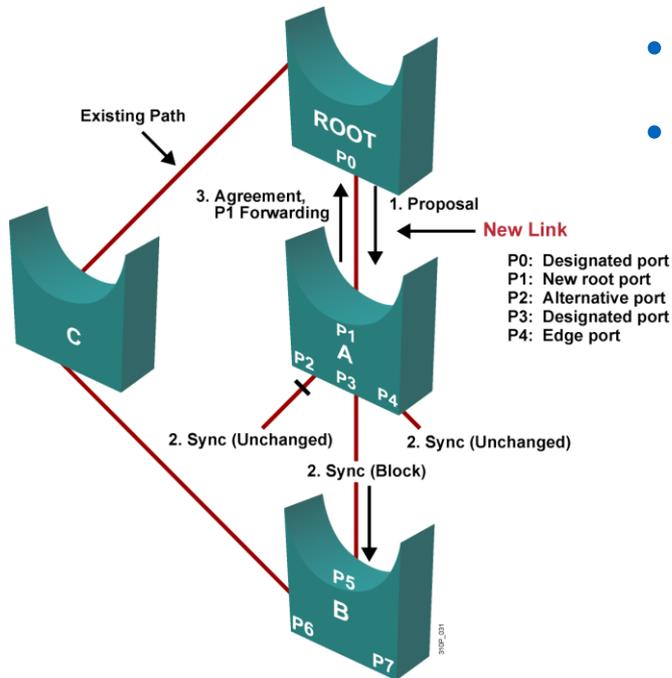


Enhancements to STP

- PortFast
- Per VLAN Spanning Tree+ (PVST+)
- Rapid Spanning Tree Protocol (RSTP)
- Multiple Spanning Tree Protocol (MSTP)
- Per VLAN Rapid Spanning Tree (PVRST)

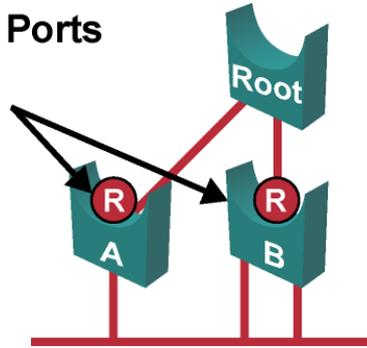
RSTP Proposal and Agreement Process

- Root and switch A synchronize.
- Ports on A come out of sync.
- Proposal or agreement takes place between A and B.

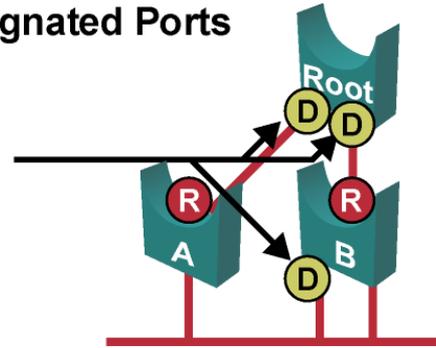


RSTP Port Roles

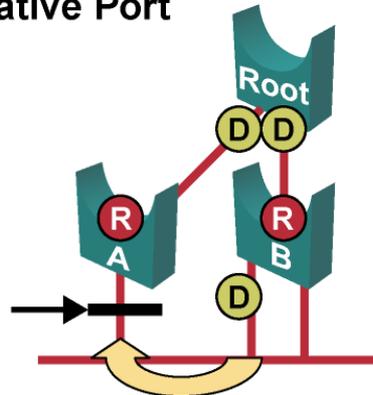
Root Ports



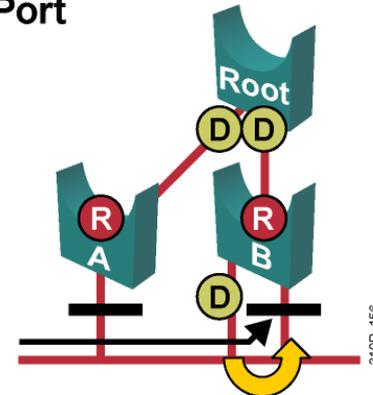
Designated Ports



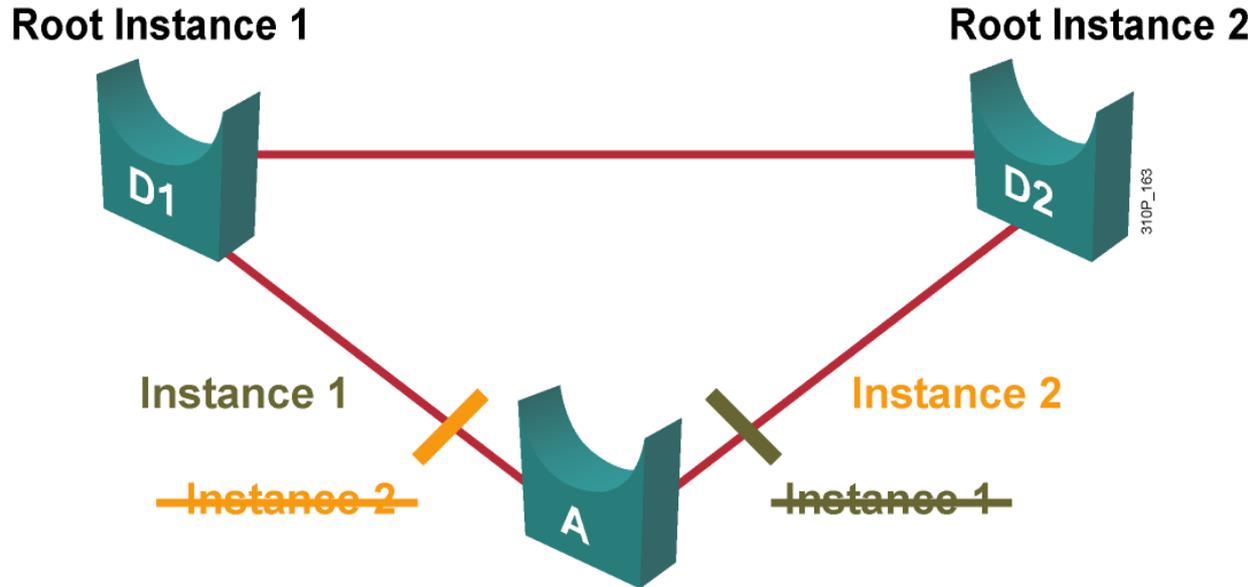
Alternative Port



Backup Port



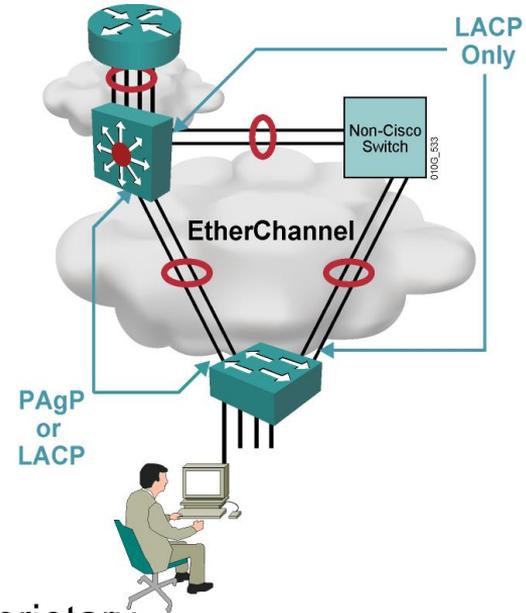
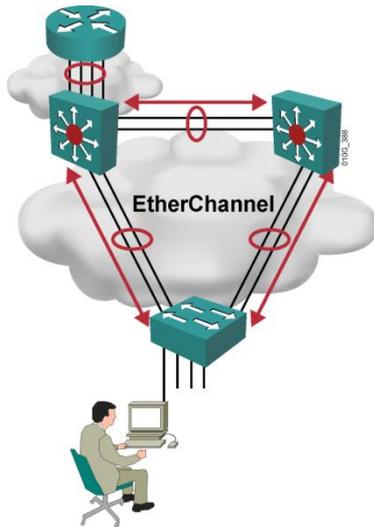
Multiple Spanning Tree Protocol



Instance 1 maps to VLANs 1–500
Instance 2 maps to VLANs 501–1000

EtherChannel

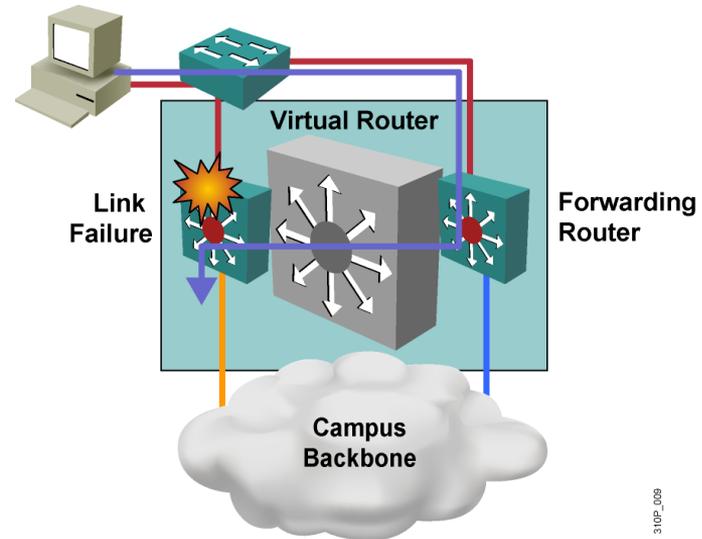
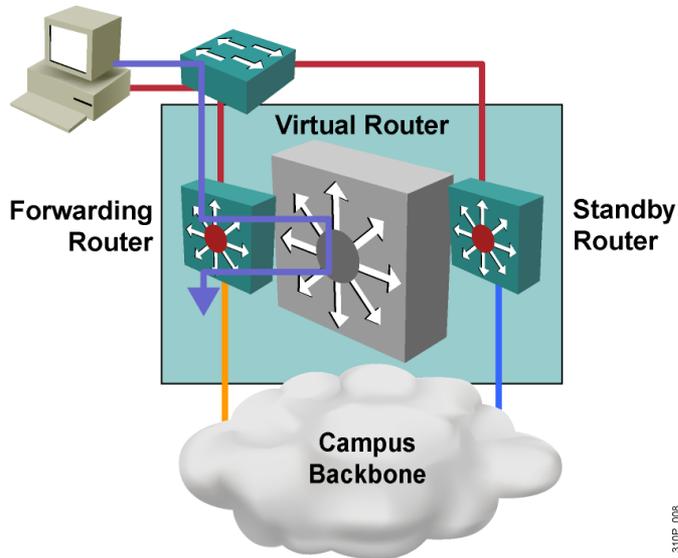
- Logical aggregation of similar links
- Load balances
- Viewed as one logical port
- Redundancy



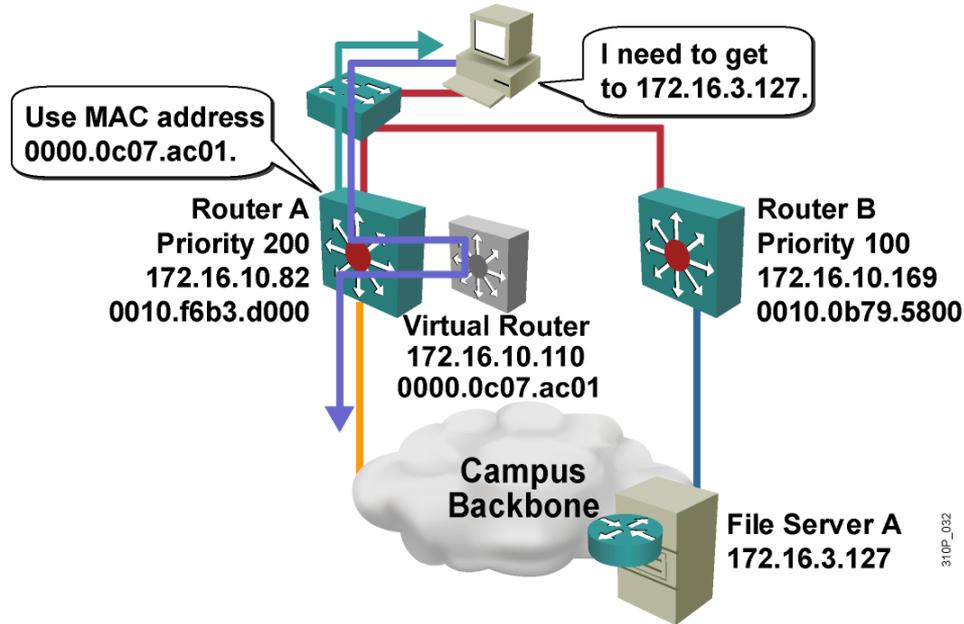
- PAgP
 - Cisco proprietary
- LACP
 - IEEE 802.3ad standard

First Hop redundancy

- Concept of virtual router

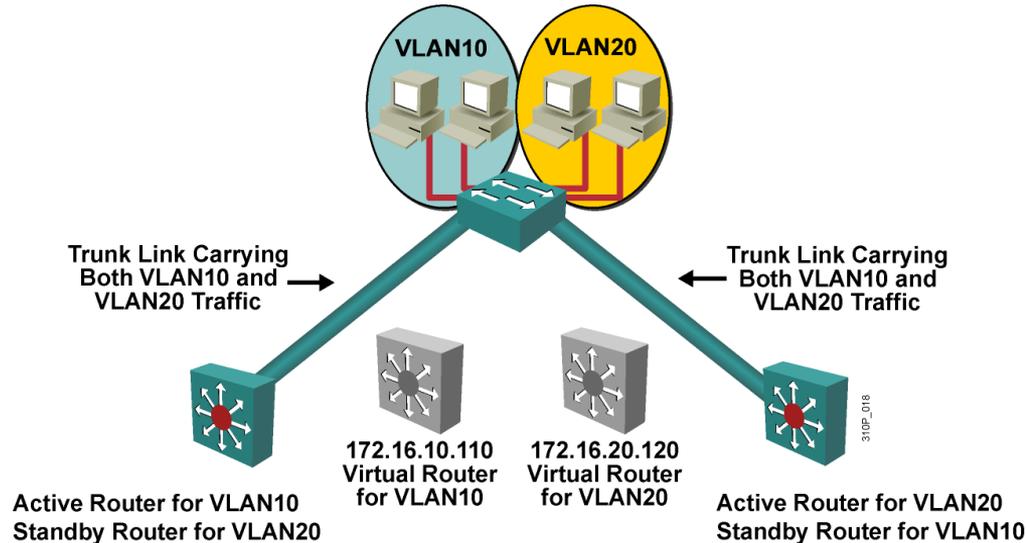


How the FHR is achieved ?



The active router responds to ARP requests with the MAC address of the virtual router.

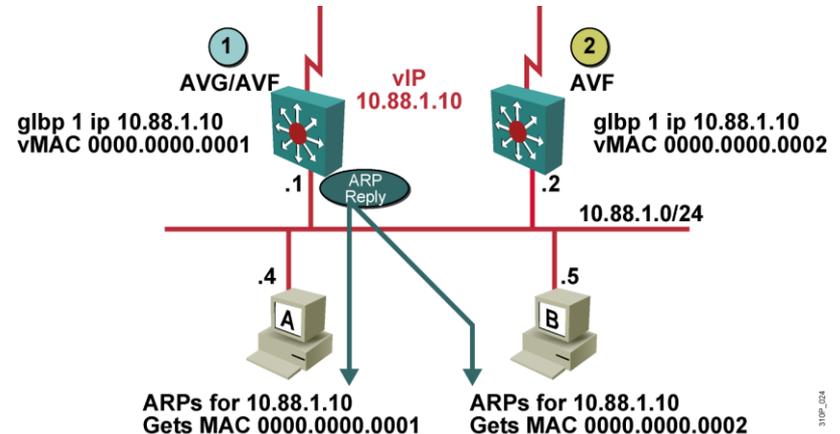
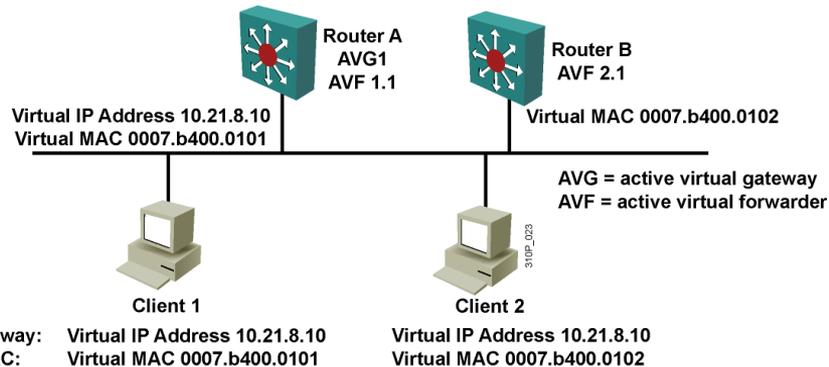
HSRP Load balancing



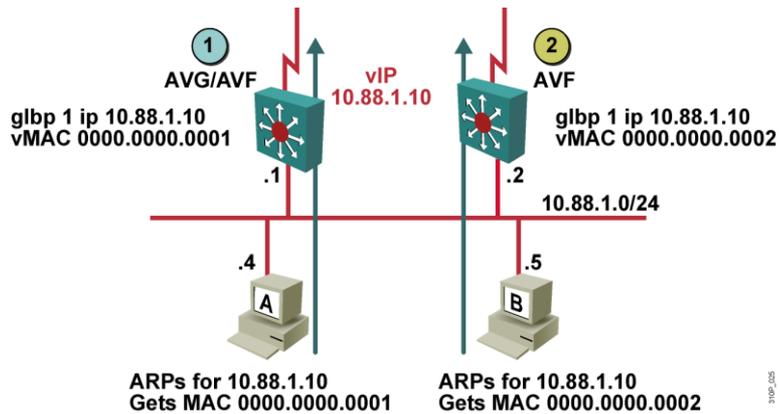
- To load balance routers and links:
 - Per VLAN, configure the HSRP active router and the spanning tree root to be the same multilayer switch.

GLBP Operations

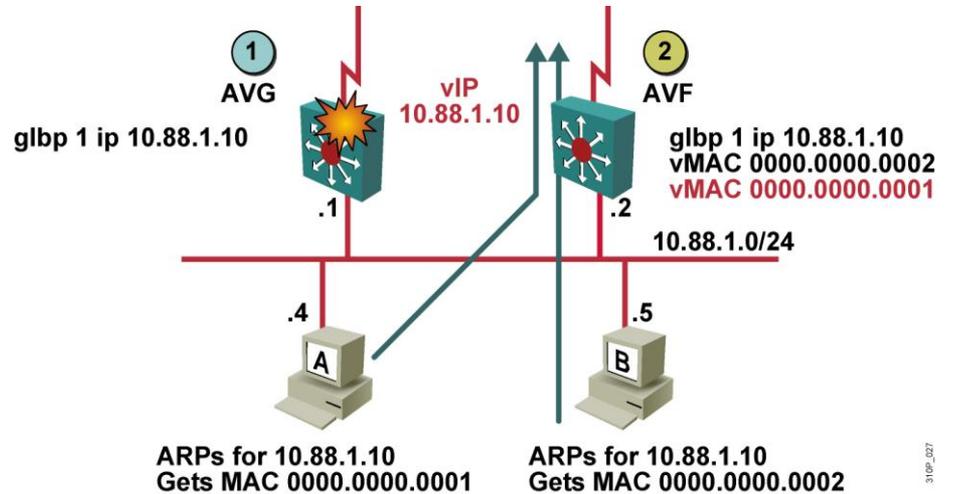
- GLBP group members elect one AVG.
- AVG assigns a virtual MAC address to each member of the group.
- AVG replies to the ARP requests from clients with different virtual MAC addresses, thus achieving load balancing.
- Each router becomes an AVF for frames that are addressed to that virtual MAC address.



In case of failure



31P_005



31P_007

3. Catalyst hardware solutions



Lan Device evolution



Cisco FastHub 400 series switch
with 12 ports and 10/100
Ethernet capability, WS-C412



Catalyst 2900 Series XL
Layer2 only - supports port-based Virtual LANs
(VLANs) up to 64

Lan Device evolution cd



WS-C4003 Catalyst 4000
Modular architecture
provides nonblocking Layer 2
switching, basic Layer 3 routing,
comprehensive Layer 3-4 security, and
QoS at up to 64 Gbps and 48 Mpps



Cisco Catalyst 6513 Switch
The richest feature orientated platform with
variety of service modules (FW, wireless,
load balancers) + Sup2T

What is so special about the switch ?

- Switch is expected to “switch” packets with wire speed without introducing delay
- Ideal switch have no oversubscription
- Switch is expected to deliver additional features – QOS/ACL/PBR/etc



Question: What kind of chip is this ?



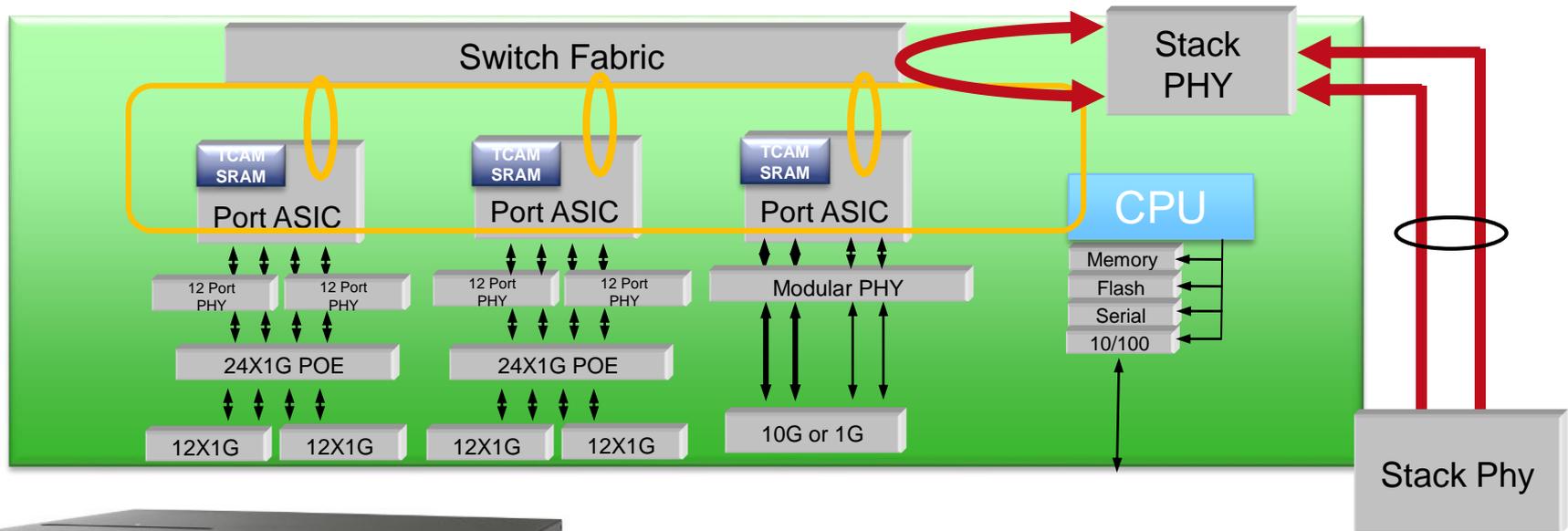
Multi-Layer Switching (MLS) has become a highly desired method of accelerating routing performance through the use of dedicated **Application Specific Integrated Circuits (ASICs)**.

Traditional routing is done through a central CPU and software.

MLS offloads a significant portion of routing (packet rewrite) to hardware, and thus has also been termed switching. MLS and Layer 3 switching are equivalent terms.

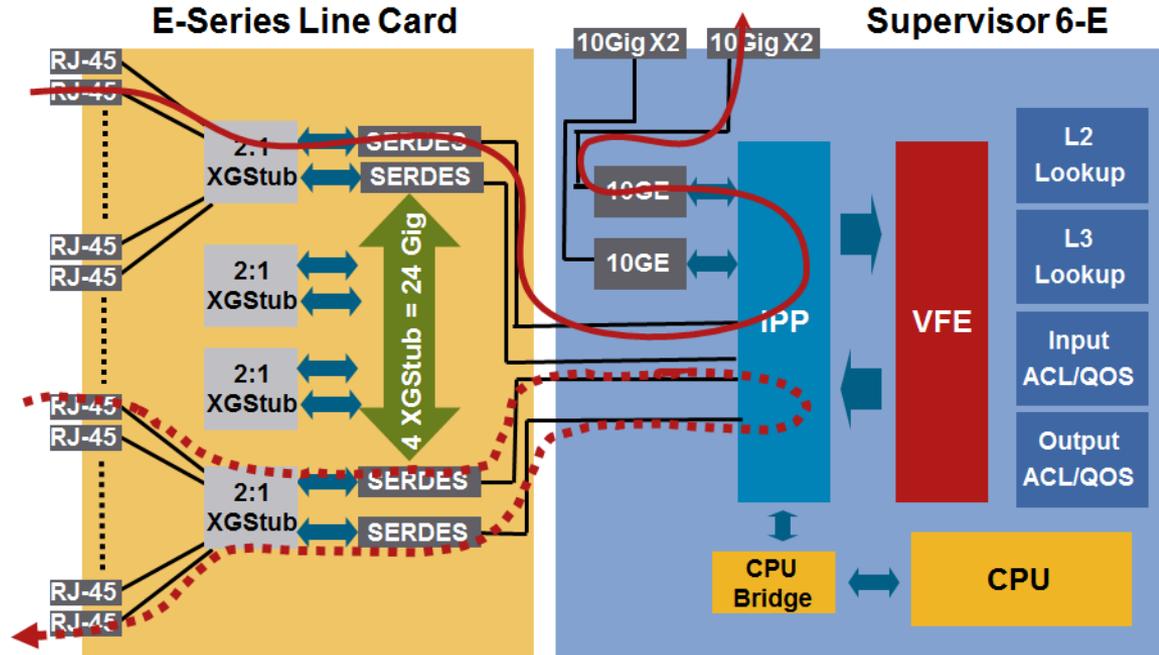
Different approach to ideal switch

Switch on ASIC – Applied in 2k/3k Catalyst family



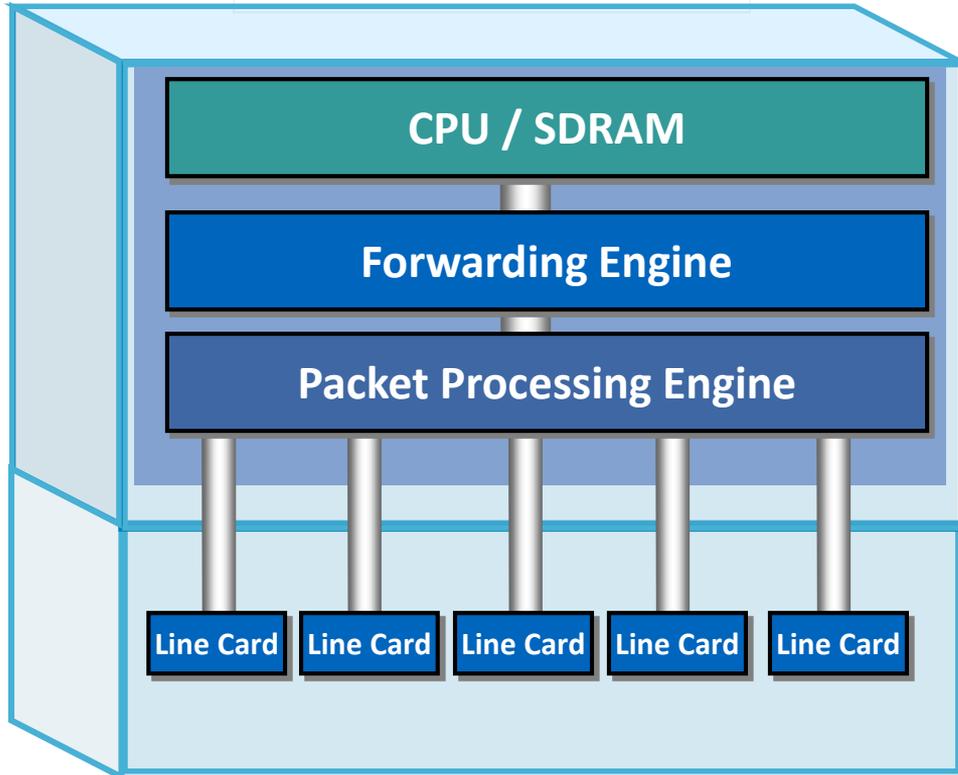
Different approach to ideal switch

Centralized architecture – Applied in Catalyst 4500 Catalyst family



Catalyst 4500E Architecture

Centralized Architecture



- Shared memory switch
Passive Backplane
- All forwarding, queuing, security is implemented on the Supervisor
- The individual **line cards** are considered to be '**transparent**' and contain "stub" ASICs and the PHYs



Supervisor Engine 7-E

Optimized for Large Campus
848Gbps Switching Capacity
4 x SFP+/SFP uplinks
384 10/100/1000 Ports
100 10G SFP+

Cisco Fabric

Different approach to ideal switch

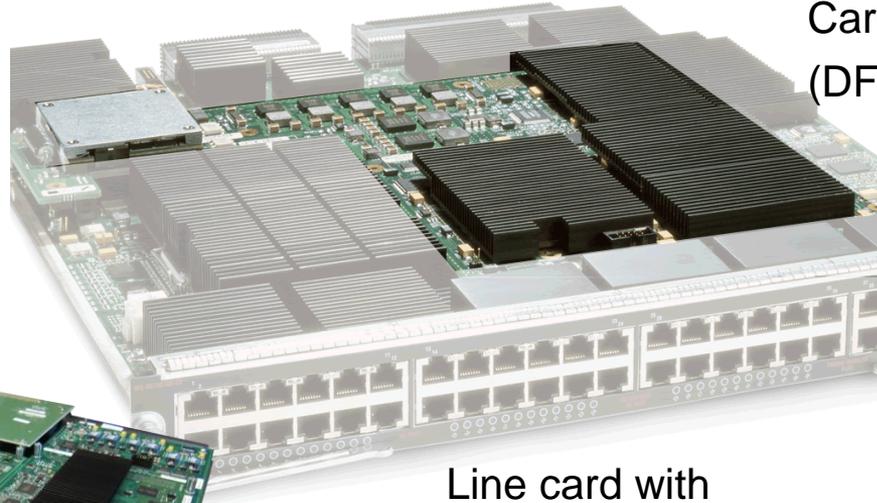
Distributed architecture – Catalyst 6500 Family



Supervisor

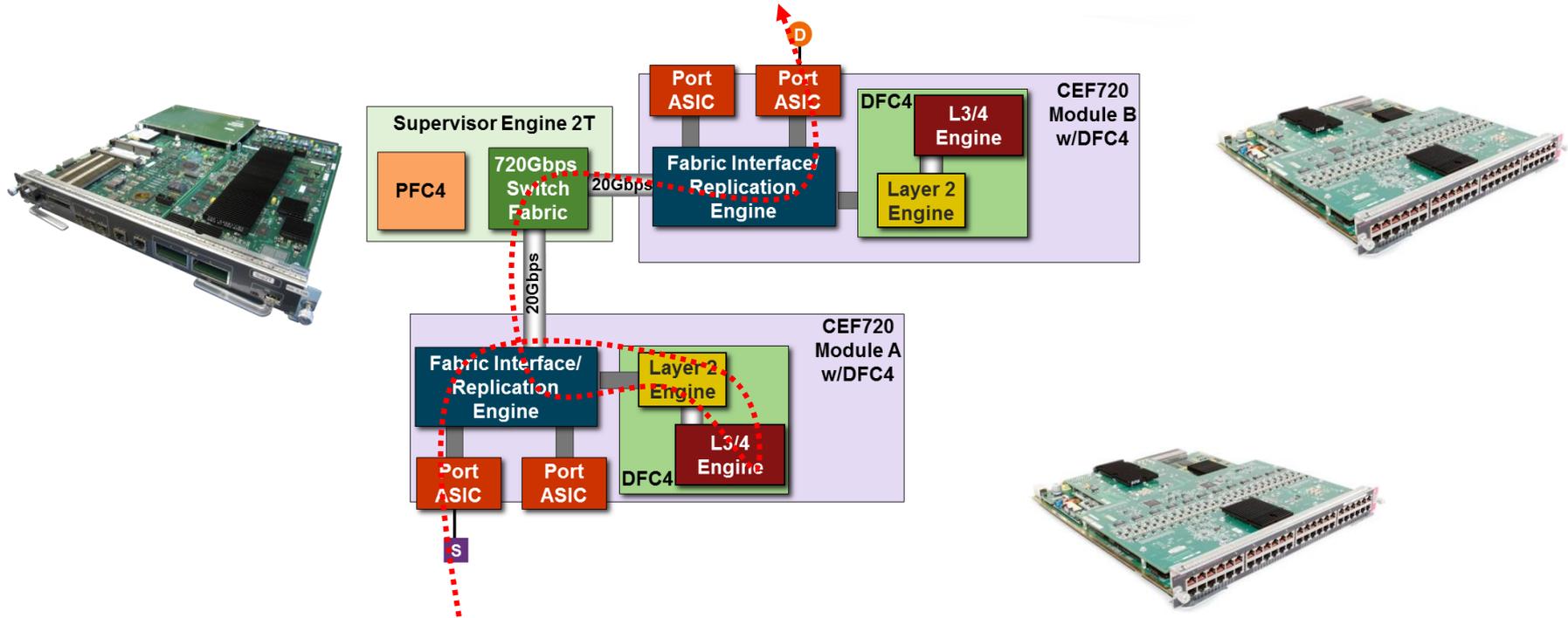


Line card with
access ports



Distributed
Forwarding
Card
(DFC)

6500 forwarding



Eliminating single point of failures – HW solutions

- All physical devices seen as one
- Single configuration
- Single management ip
- No need for STP/FHRP

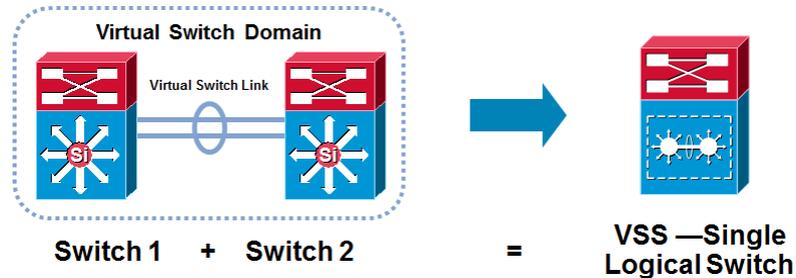


Up to 10m connection

Catalyst 2k/3k

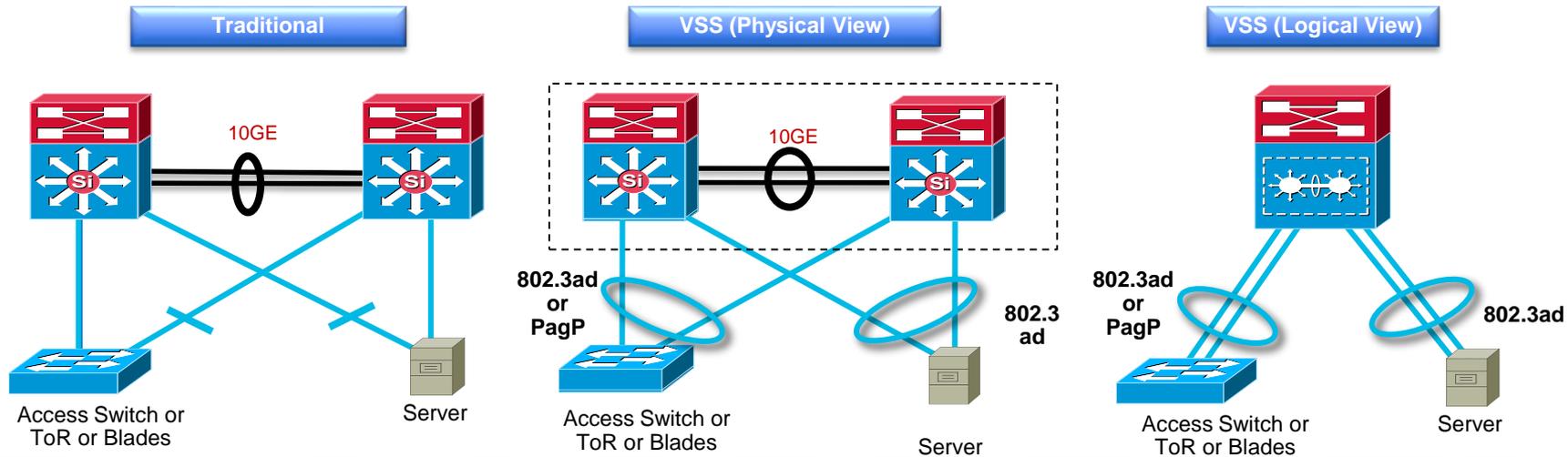
VSS catalyst 4k/6k

Virtual Switch
Virtual Switching System (VSS)



Virtual Switching System

Benefits Summary



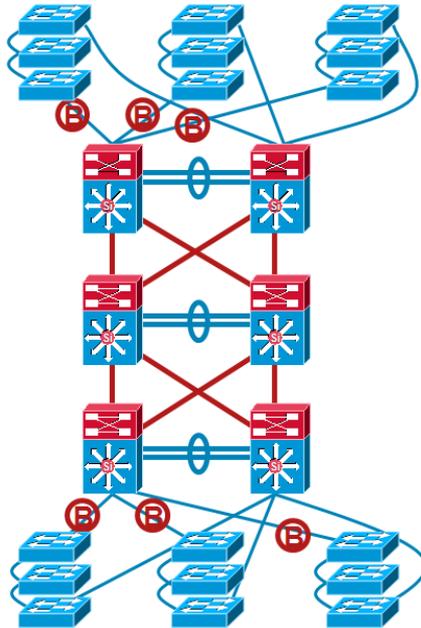
Simplifies operational Manageability via Single point of Management, Non-loop design, minimize reliance on STP, eliminate FHRP etc

Scales system capacity with Active-Active Multi-Chassis Etherchannel (802.3ad/PagP), no blocking links due to Spanning Tree

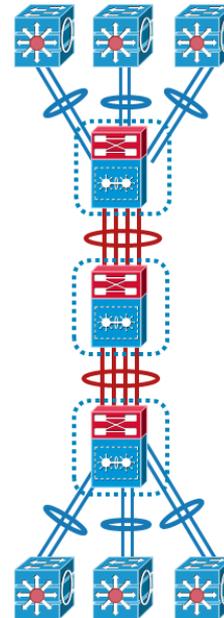
Minimizes traffic disruption from switch or uplink failure with Deterministic subsecond Stateful and Graceful Recovery (SSO/NSF)

VSS Enabled Campus Design

End-to-End VSS Design Option



**STP-Based
Redundant Topology**



**Fully Redundant
Virtual Switch Topology**

No need for
spanning tree

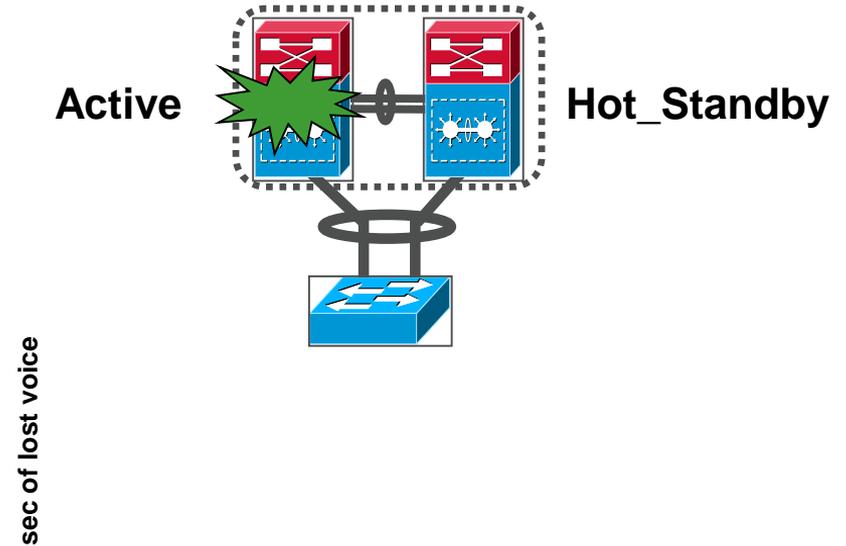
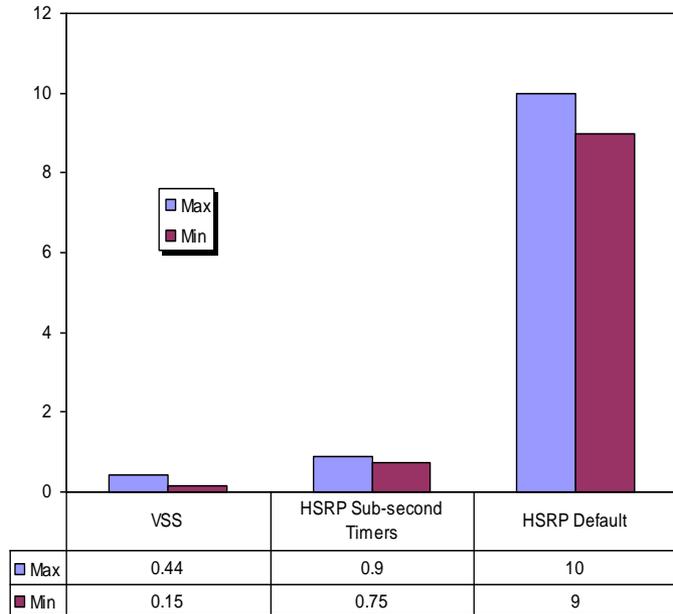
No need for
FHRP

Full bandwidth
utilization using
MEC

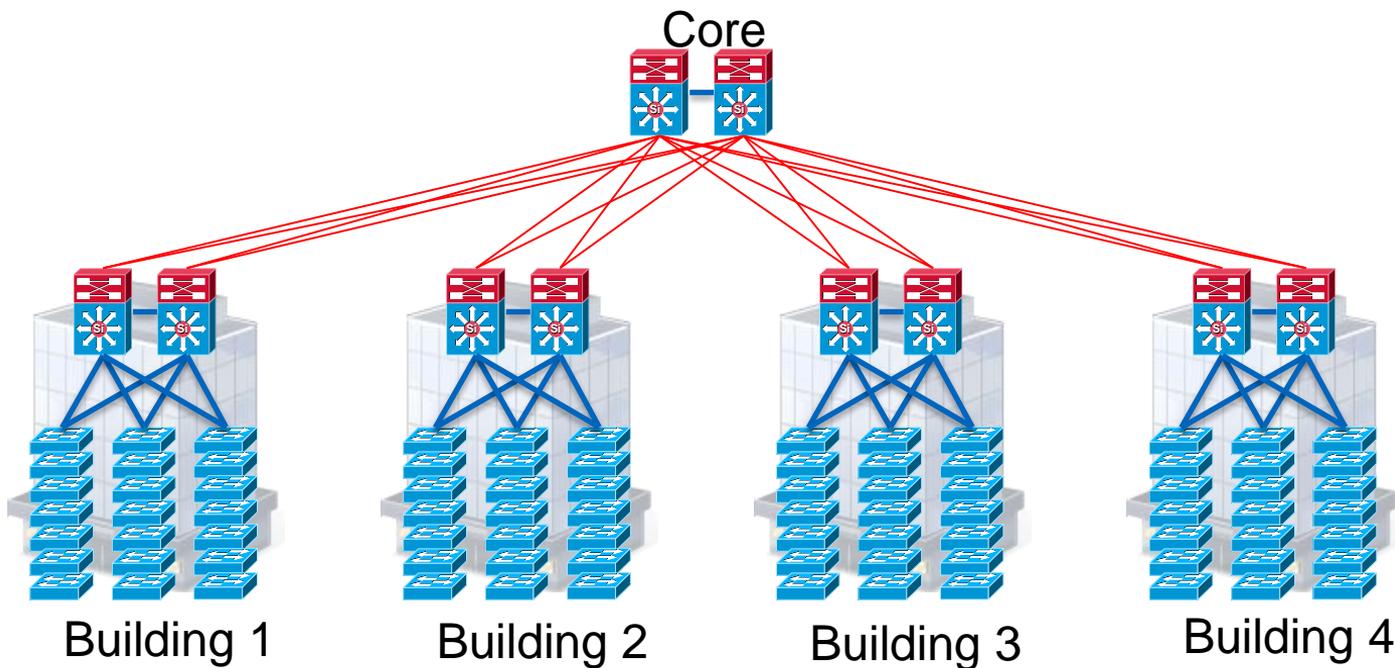
VSS Enabled Campus Design

VSS Switchover Convergence

VSS ACTIVE to HOT_STANDBY switchover convergence
(Unicast)



Traditional L2 or L3 Campus



94 Total Devices for Image and Configuration Management
168 Access Trunks/Port-Channels
4032 User Ports

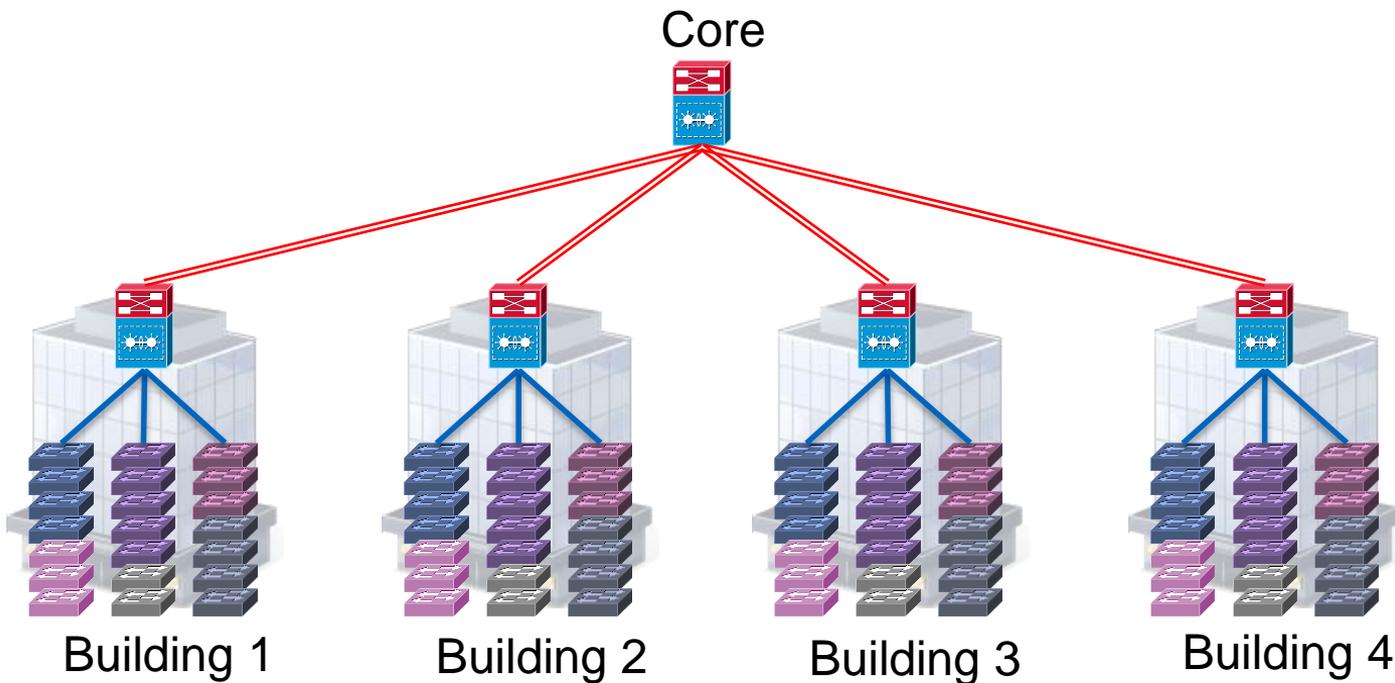
Considerations:

- STP Loop Prevention
- FHRP Tuning
- CAM/ARP Tuning
- PIM Tuning/DR priority
- Routing Protocol Tuning

94 Separate Configurations of
SNMP, NTP, TACACS, Banner,
vty, VLAN DB, Mgmt IP/GW,
Hostname



VSS Campus with Stacking



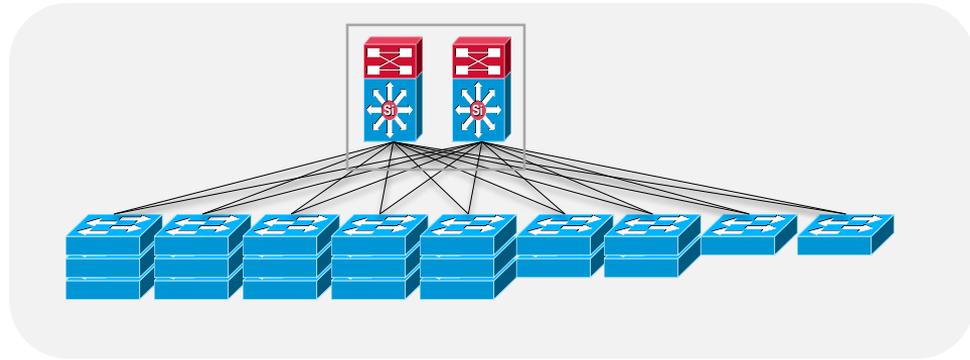
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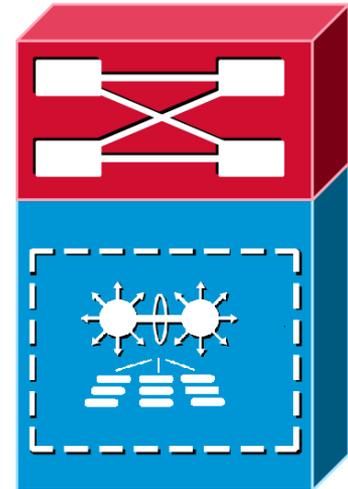
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Single Logical Entity, Single Point of Management and Control – Instant access

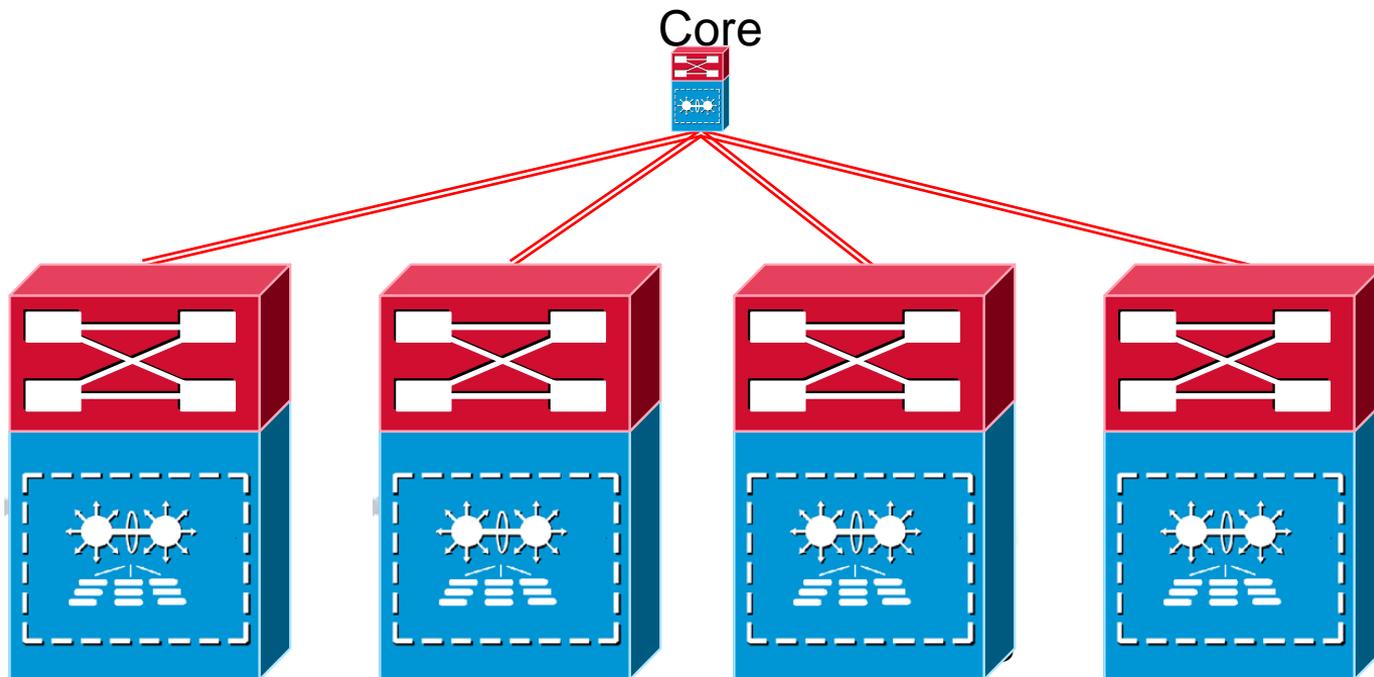


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Catalyst Instant Access



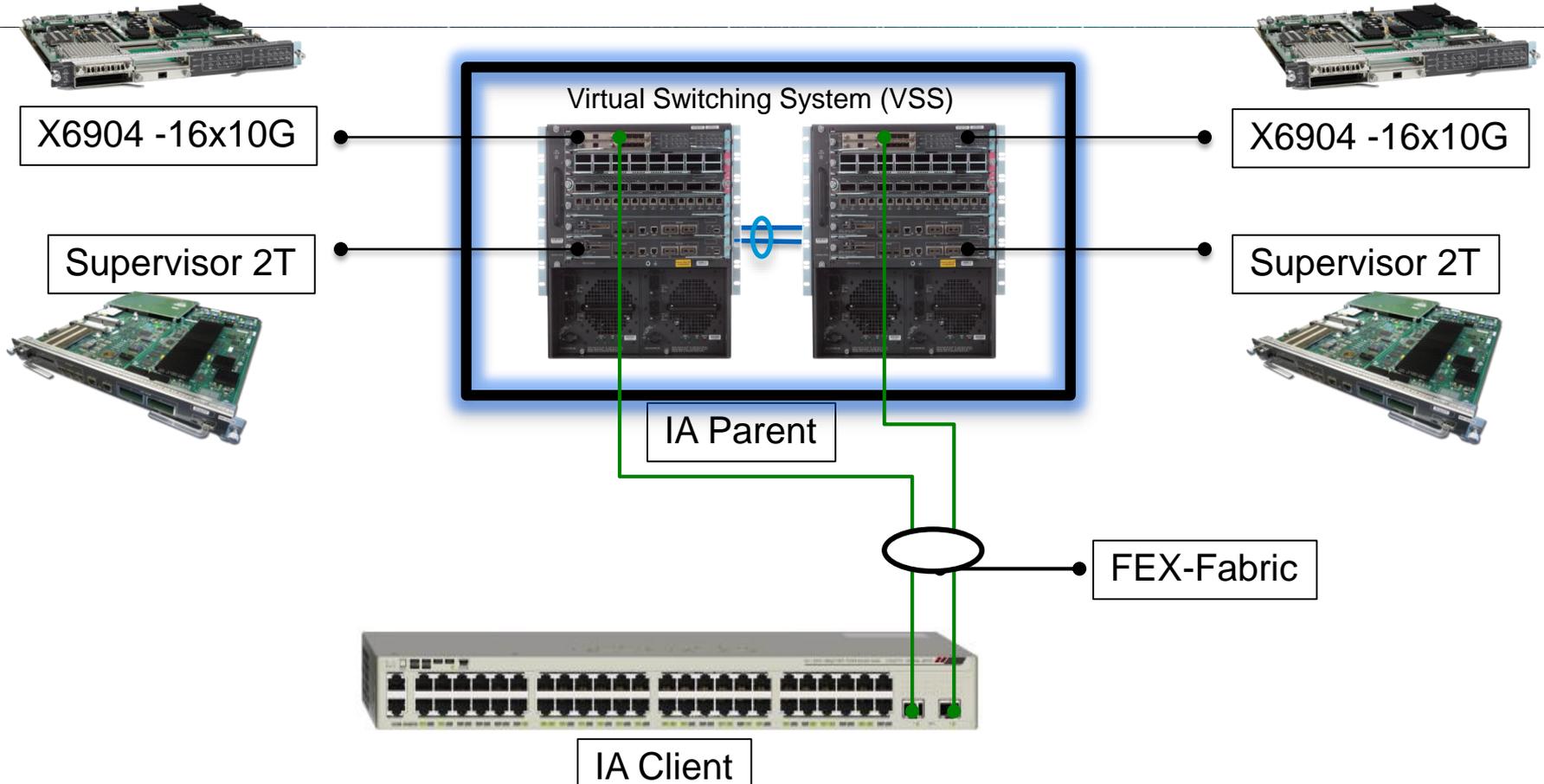
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Automated Trunk Configuration
4032 User Ports

Considerations:

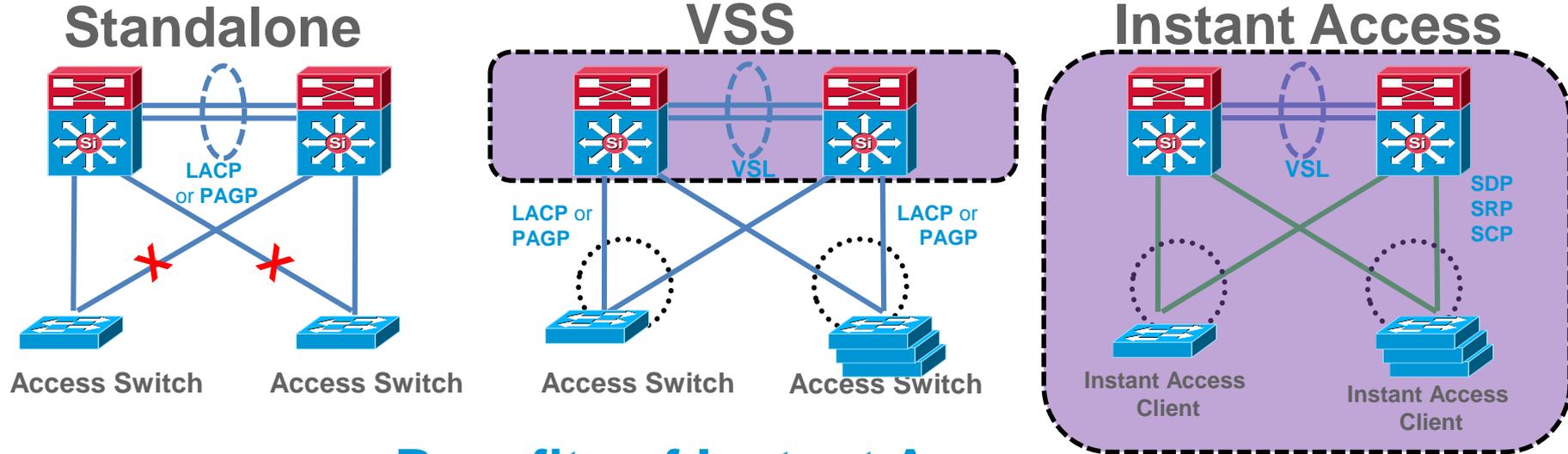
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Cisco Catalyst Instant Access Components



Cisco Catalyst Instant Access



Benefits of Instant Access

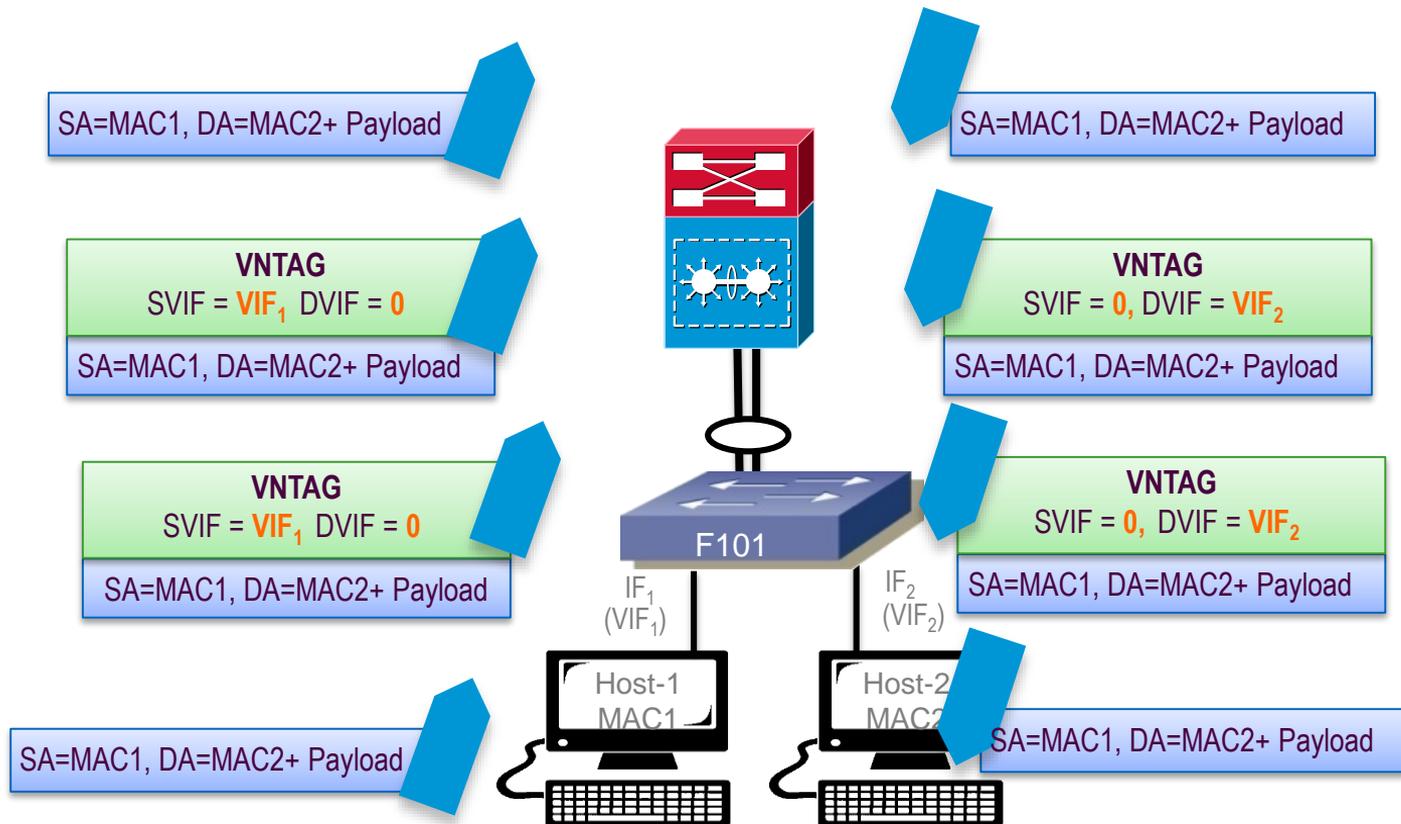
Simplifies Operations via Single Point of Management, Configuration, Troubleshooting across Distribution & Access Block

Catalyst 6500 features at Access

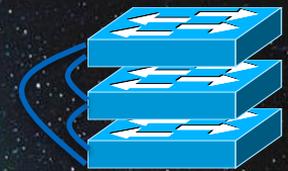
Consistent Features and Agile Infrastructure across Access layer

Catalyst Instant Access

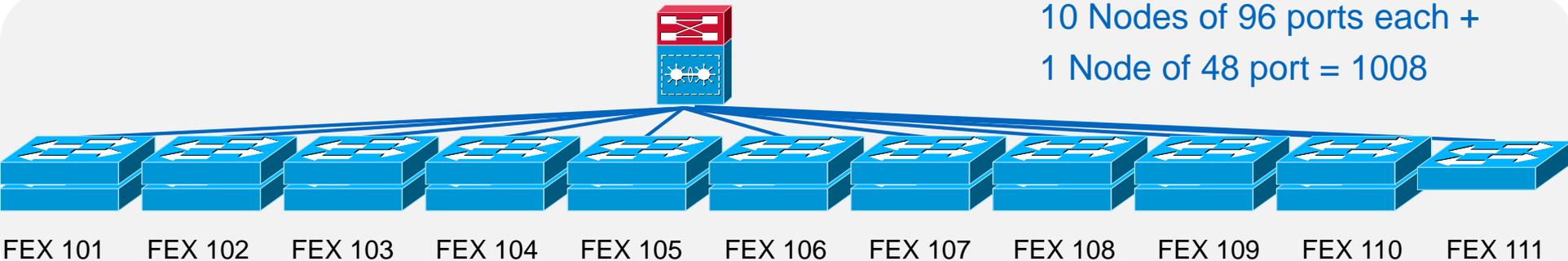
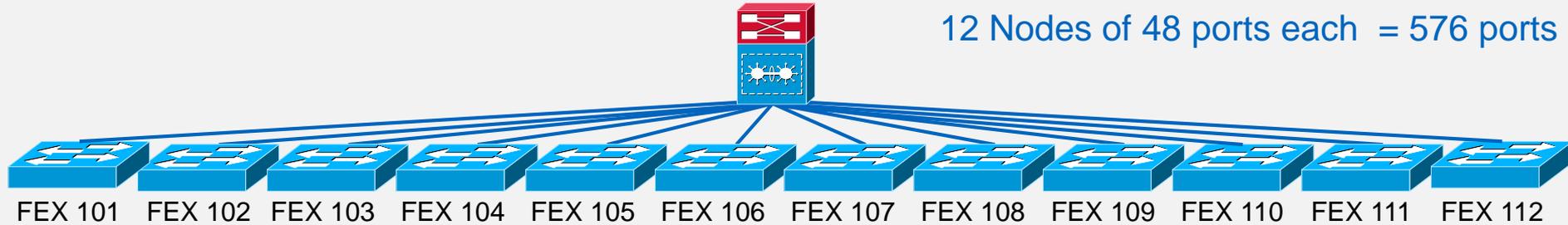
Packet Walk (Host 1 to Host 2)



Catalyst Instant Access (Phase 1) Stacking Scenario's



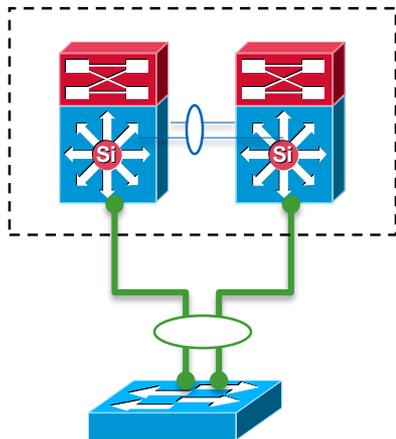
Stack of 3 (Phase 1) Max FEX-ID 12



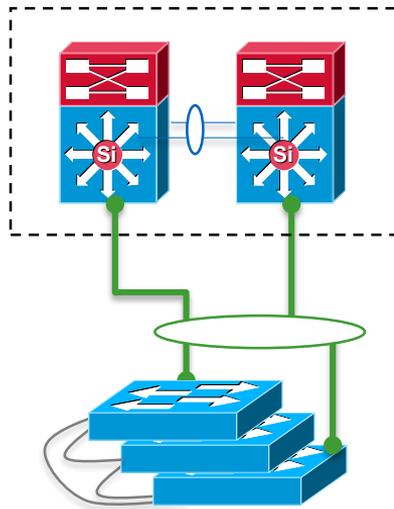
Catalyst Instant Access

Fabric Link Connectivity Scenarios – Dual Homed to VSS Pair

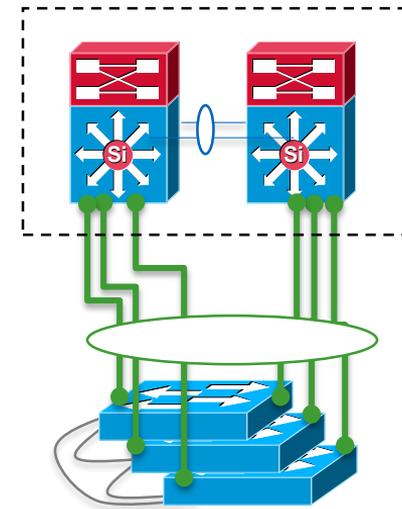
Recommended Design



Dual Homed to
VSS Pair



Dual Homed across
Stack Members

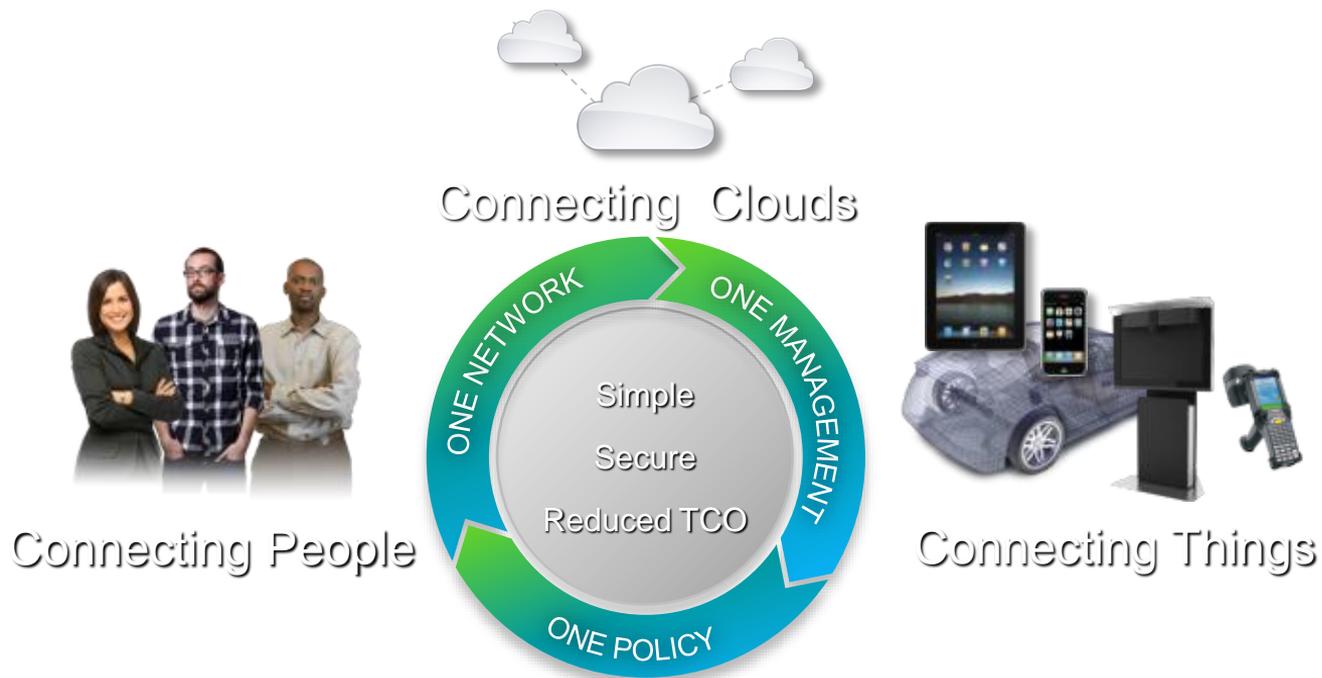


Up to 6 uplinks(60G)
MEC across Client to
Parent

4. LAN - more than data network !



Cisco Enterprise Network Vision



Cisco ONE Enterprise Architecture

Modern LAN Network

LAN network connects

- PC/Laptops/Server/Printers (Data type traffic)
- Unified communication (Phones/gateway)
- Video conferencing systems (Video stations)
- Physical security devices (Buildings control access, sensors)
- Wireless devices (access points)
- etc ..



.. can also power up devices – Power over Ethernet ! (POE)

Why PoE in the Access Layer

- **Ease of deployment**
 - Using a single cable for data and power
- **Centralized Power Management**
 - EnergyWise, Energy Efficient Ethernet
- **High availability**
 - Centralized power backup, continuous operations
 - Power supply redundancy is built into most network architectures
 - Backup UPS power is used in most enterprise campus
- **Minimize TCO**



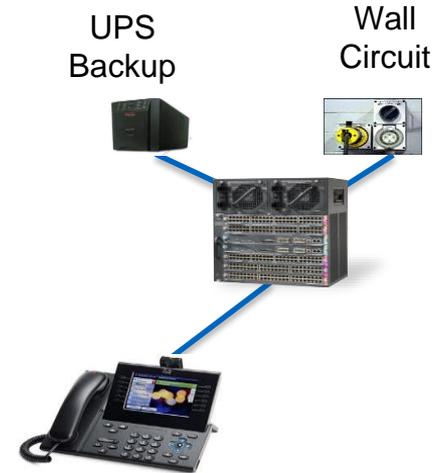
Cheap and inefficient power bricks

- **Power efficiency**

Bulk power supply is more efficient than cheaper power bricks

Bulk power supply efficiency curve is optimized for avg. utilization

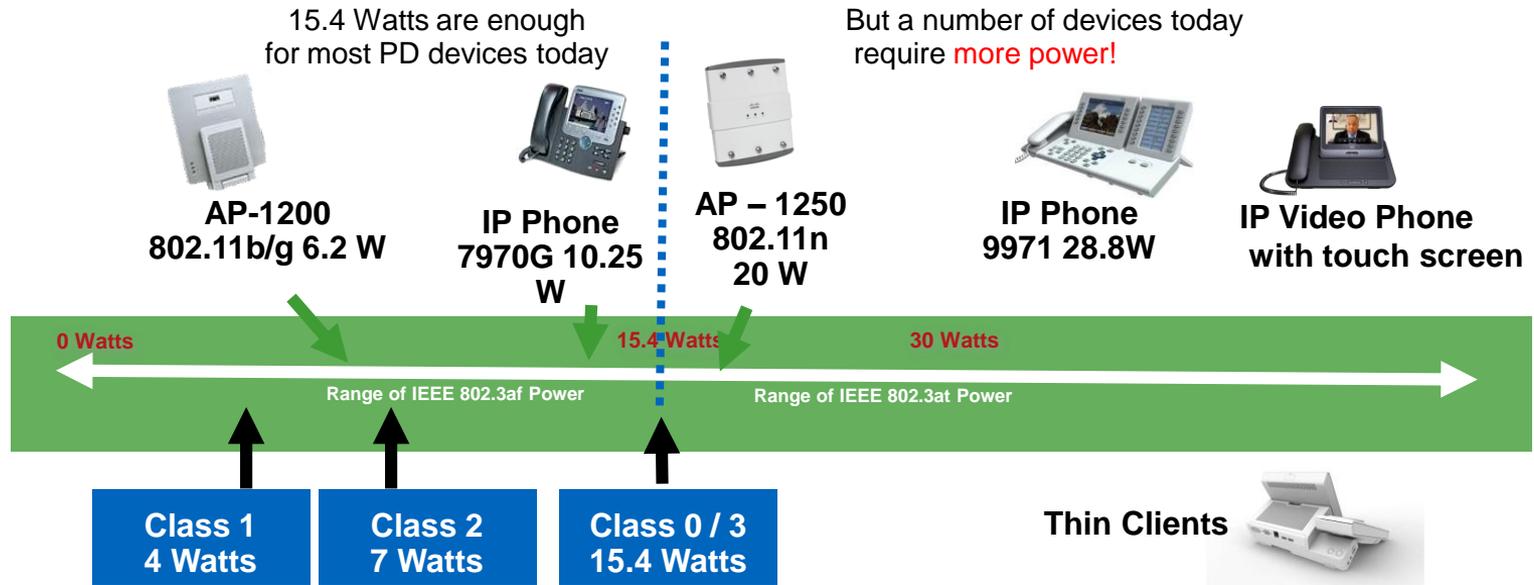
Bulk power supply is less expensive compared to individual power brick per end device



Evolving Layer 1 Services

Why do we need 802.3at (PoE+)

- Endpoint power requirements are increasing
- Green initiatives
- Need for Granular power negotiation 'and' increased power

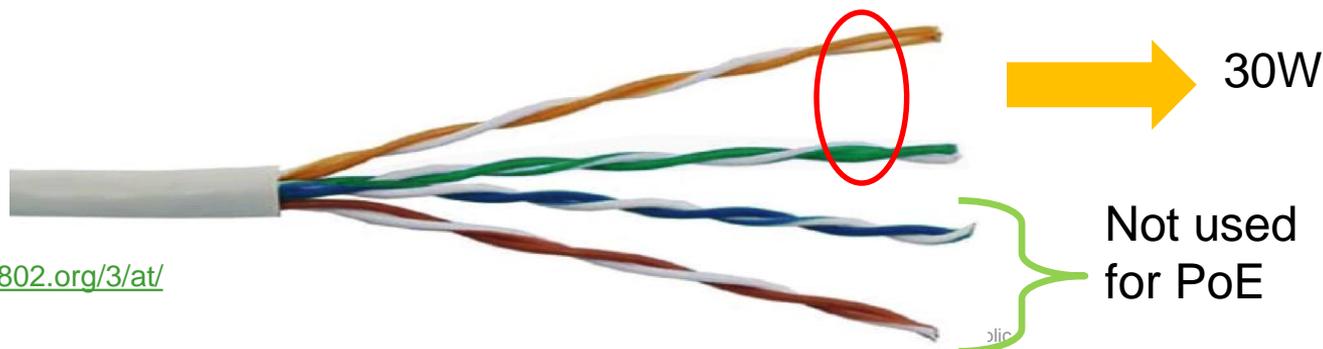


Power Over Ethernet

IEEE 802.3at (PoE+)



- IEEE 802.3at ratified Sep.2009
- **Specifications**
 - **Cable Guidelines:** Cat5e or beyond
 - **Current level:** 600mA assuming cable 50°C or lower
 - **Voltage:** PSE from 50V to 57V
 - **2-pair medium power output:** PSE 30W output
 - **Maximum power input:** PD is 25.5W input
 - **Supported Modes:** Mode A (data-pairs) or Mode B (spare-pairs)



Source: <http://www.ieee802.org/3/at/>

Introducing Universal PoE (UPoE)

Using 4 pairs simultaneously



- Does not violate any safety specifications from cabling standards
- As simple as two independent PoE+ connections
- Specifications

Cable Guidelines: Cat5e or beyond

Current level: 600mA assuming cable 50° C or lower

Voltage: PSE from 50V to 57V

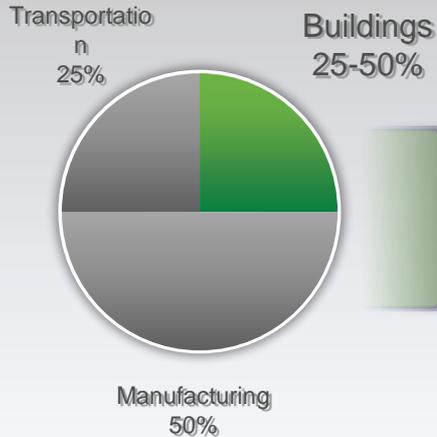
2-pair medium power output: PSE 30W output

Maximum power input: PD is 51W input

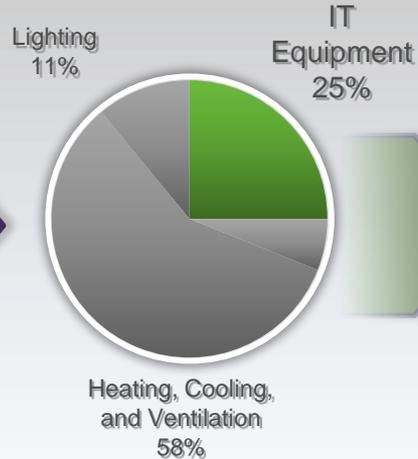
Mode: Combines Mode A (data-pairs) and Mode B (spare-pairs)

Energy Usage

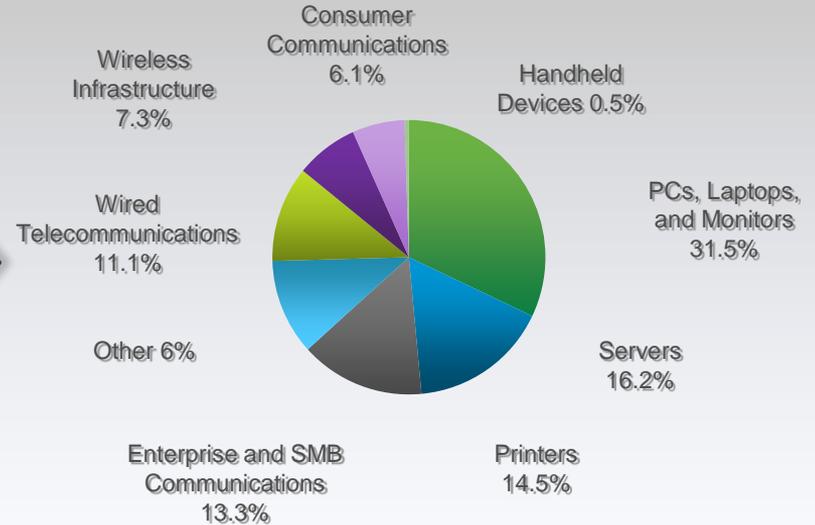
Total Energy Consumption



Enterprise Buildings



IT Equipment



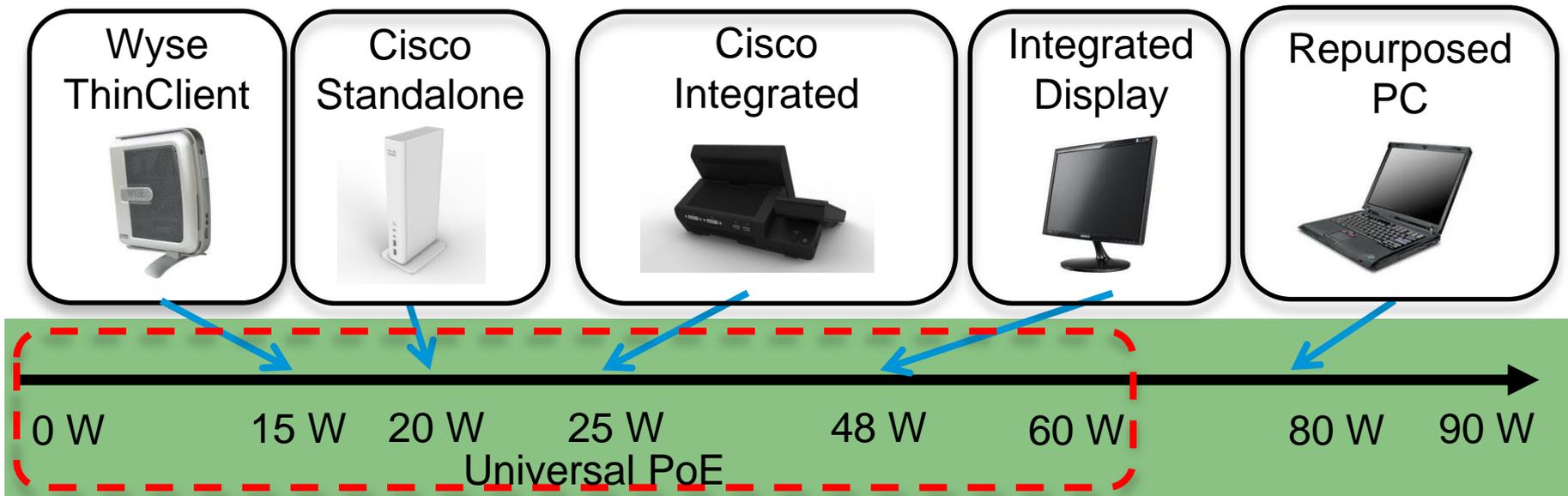
Sources:

- BOMA 2006, EIA 2006, and AIA 2006
- UK Energy Efficiency Best Practices Program; Energy Consumption Guide 19: Energy Use in Offices
- Gartner Dataquest, Forecast of IT Hardware Energy Consumption, Worldwide, 2005-2012

Use Case for UPoE

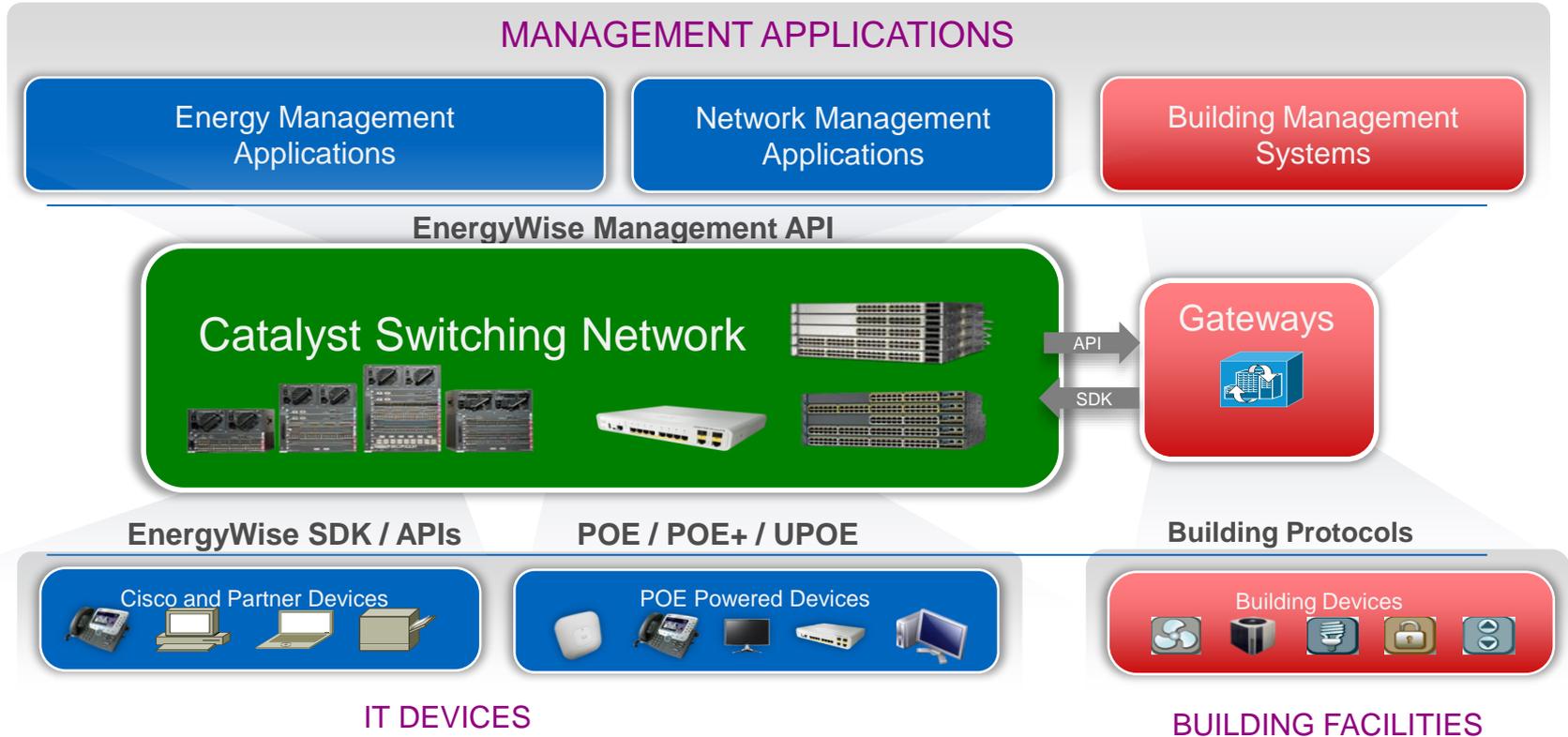
VDI Clients

- Clients consume lower power. Thin clients consume less than thick clients
- Amendable to Power Management



Cisco EnergyWise Architecture

Unifies Device Energy Management



Cisco EnergyWise

Converge IT and Facility Networks

Tenant Services
and Technologies
IP-Based

High-Speed Internet

Wireless

VPN

IP Telephony

Audio & Video Conferencing

Visitor Management

Interactive Media

Digital Signage

Building Services
and Technologies
Non-IP

Lighting

Elevators

24/7 Monitoring

HVAC Sensors

Fire

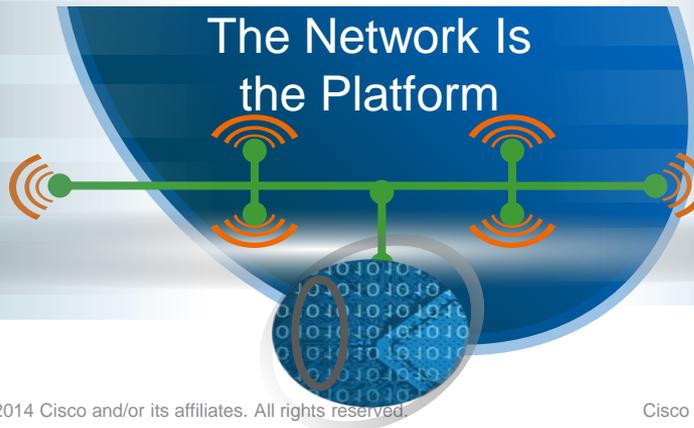
Video Surveillance

Access

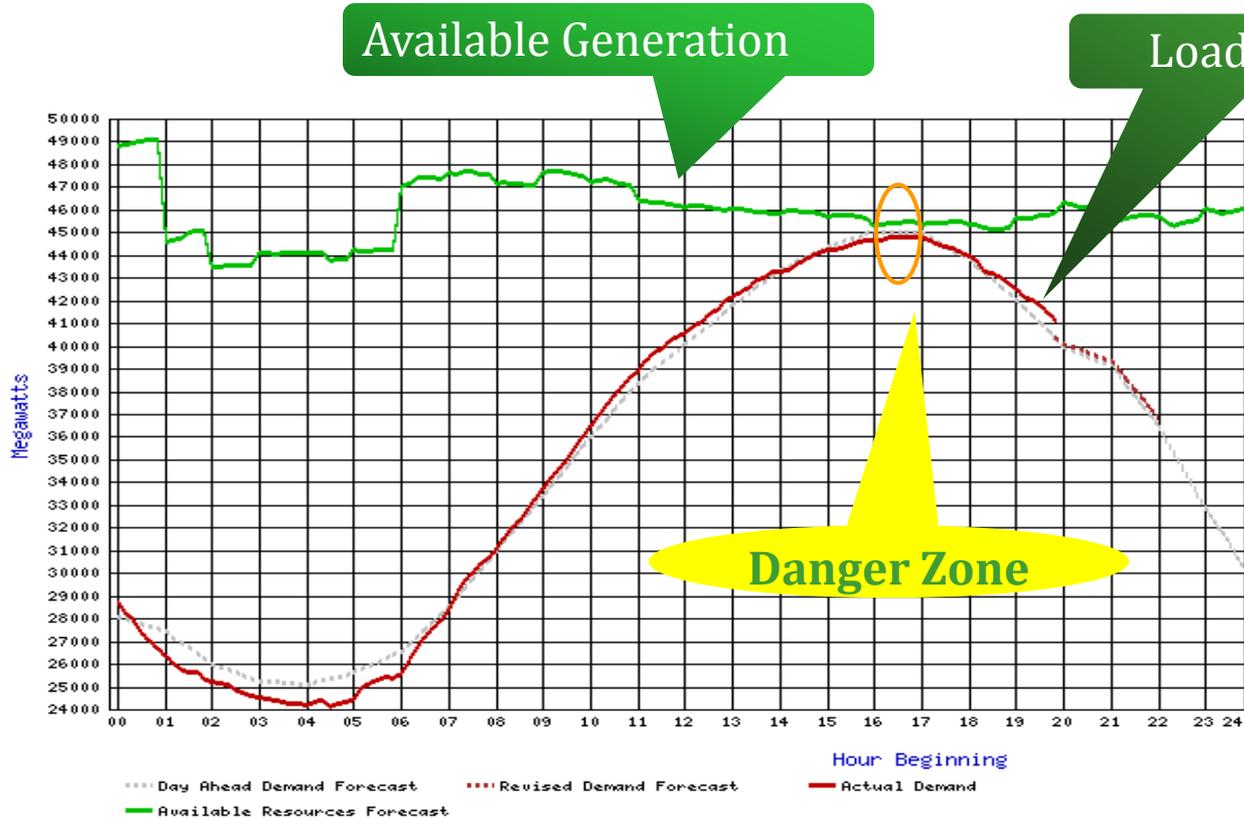
Energy



The Network Is
the Platform



Problem: The Electric Load Curve



- **Passive** strategies reduce the curve
- **Active** strategies shape the curve
- Networked systems will drive efficiency

California Heat Wave 7/6/07

Seeing the Impact – Carbon and \$ Savings



www.cisco.com/go/energywise

CISCO Cisco Green Business Value Calculator

DATA

Your Profile Assumptions Notes

Your industry or vertical market

Predominant company location

Number of employees in your organization

Number of large sites (200+ employees)

Average number of employees at each large site

Number of medium sites (50-199 employees)

Average number of employees at each medium site

Number of small sites (1-49 employees)

Average number of employees at each small site

RESULTS

Effects Summary Costs and Savings GHG Emissions

Energy Savings

Watts

Year	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
Watts	~4.5	~6.5	~8.5

GHG Emission Reduction

CO₂ tons

Year	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
CO ₂ tons	~4.5	~6.5	~8.5

82% of goal

Trees Saved
x 100,000

Mid-Sized Cars Removed
x 10,000

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Further Case Studies

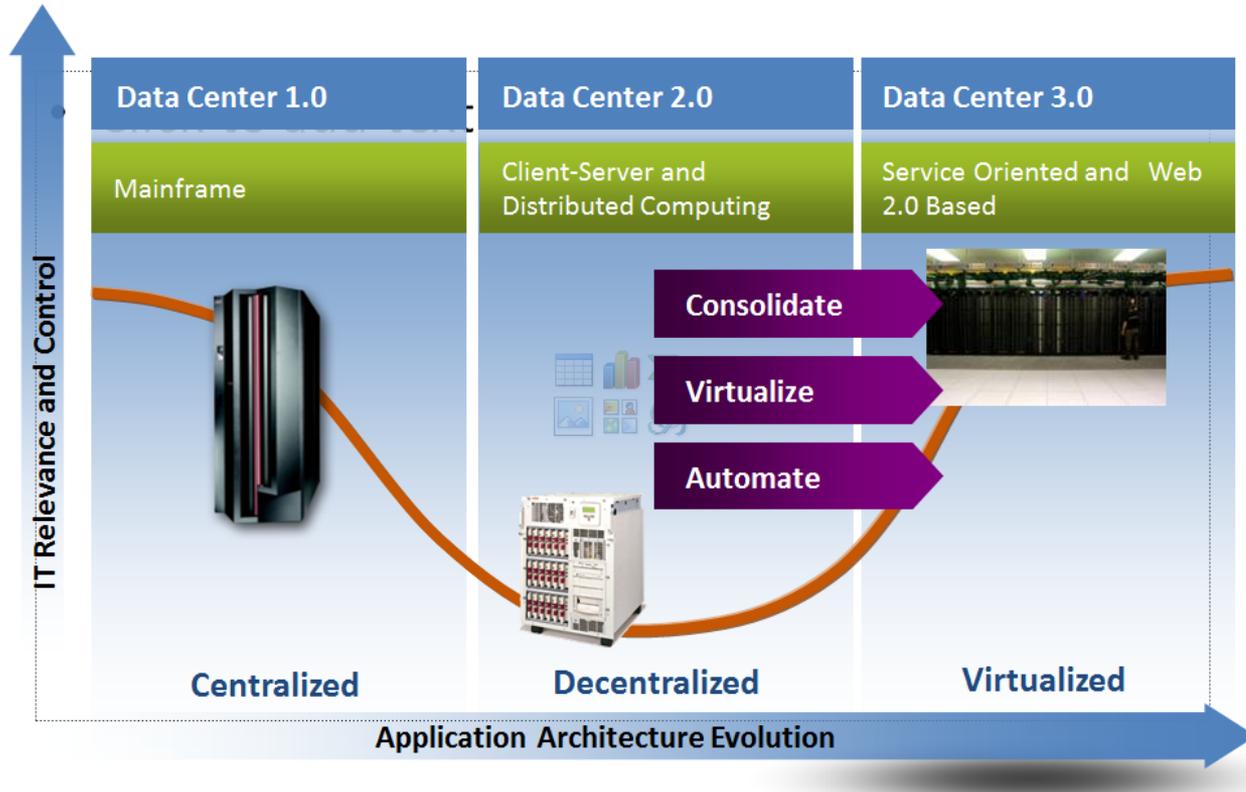
- District leverages Cisco Energywise to decrease energy costs, reinvests savings
- Council Rock Schools in Pennsylvania Save \$8.8M on Energy

http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/ps10195/prod_case_studies_list.html

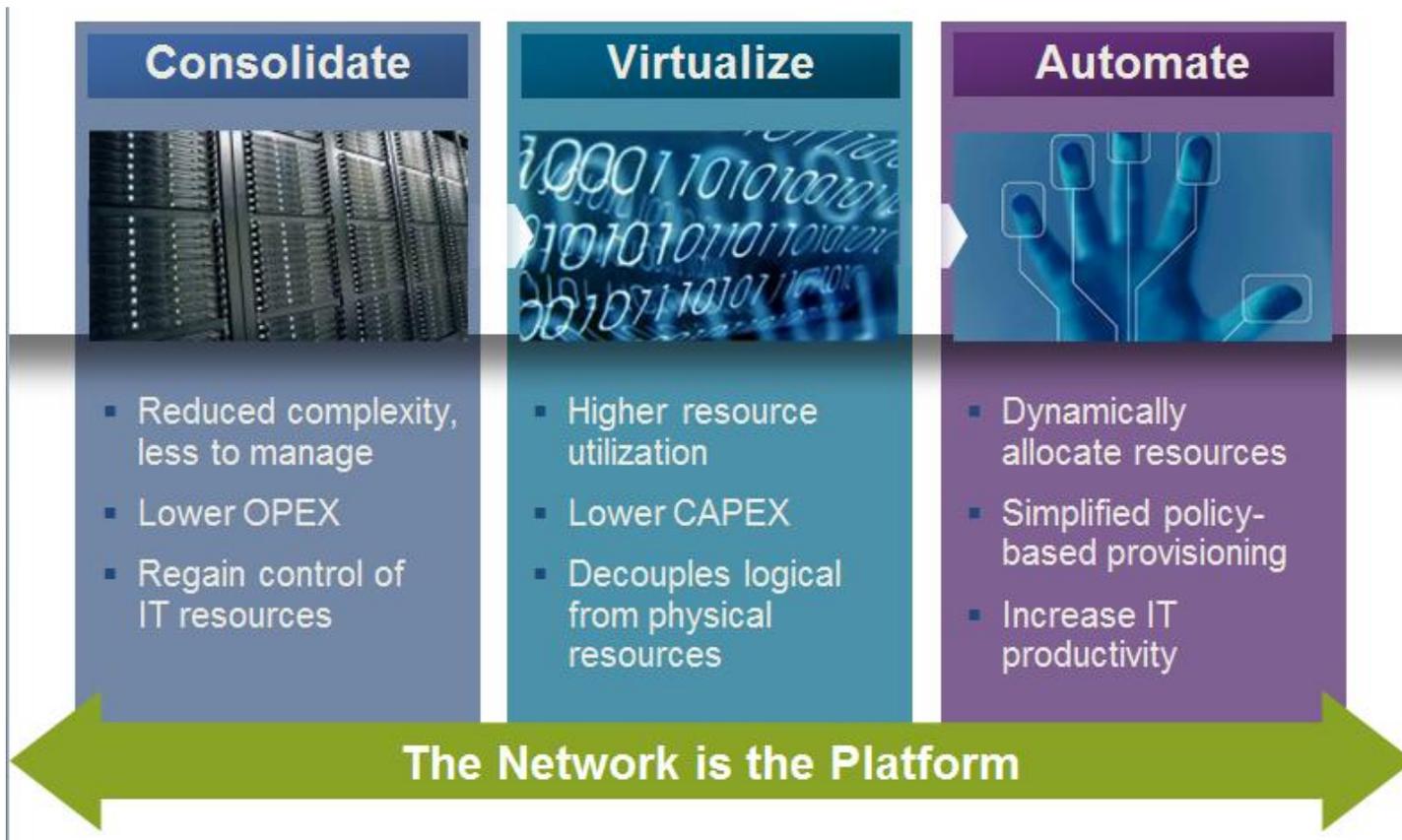
5. Data centers



Data center evolution



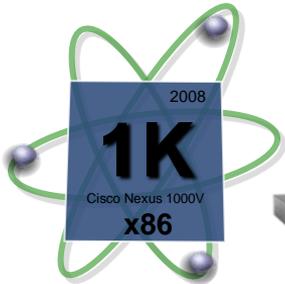
Main principles



New Cisco portfolio

- Complete data center class switching portfolio
- Consistent data center operating system across all platforms
- Infrastructure scalability, transport flexibility and operational manageability

**Nexus 1000V
Virtual Switch**



**Nexus 2000
Fabric
Extender**



Nexus 4000



Nexus 5K



Nexus 7010



Nexus 7018



New operating systems NX-OS



In-Service Upgrades

Zero downtime during software upgrade

Hitless Switchover

Provide zero traffic loss during CPU failover

Modular Software

Componentizing of software processes

Pre-emptive Kernel

Continuous operations under high CPU

Fast Fault Detection

Leverage BFD, UDLD for failure detection

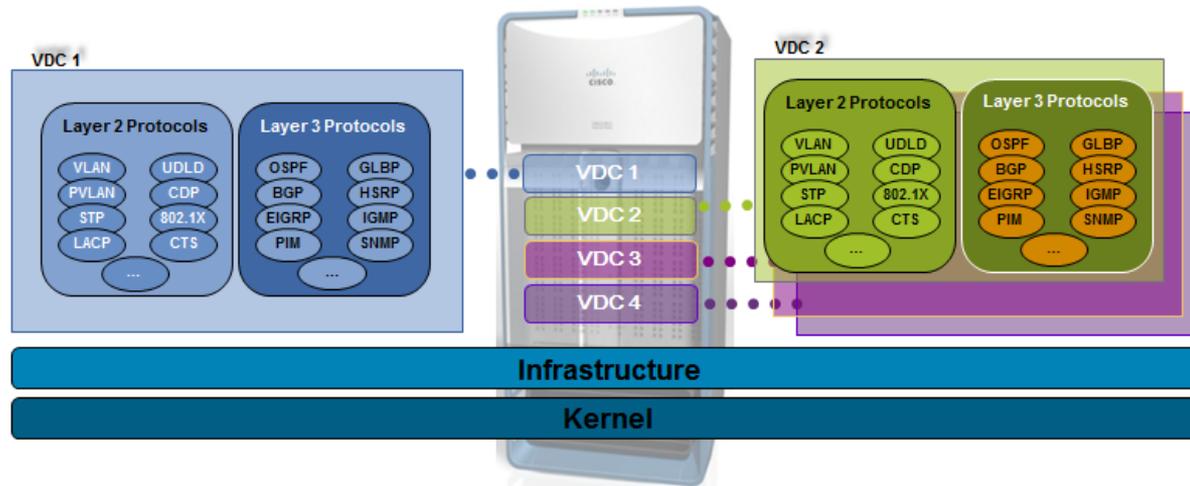
GOLD Infrastructure

Diagnostic Testing for HW Fault Detection

vPC, FabricPath

Active-Active Uplinks

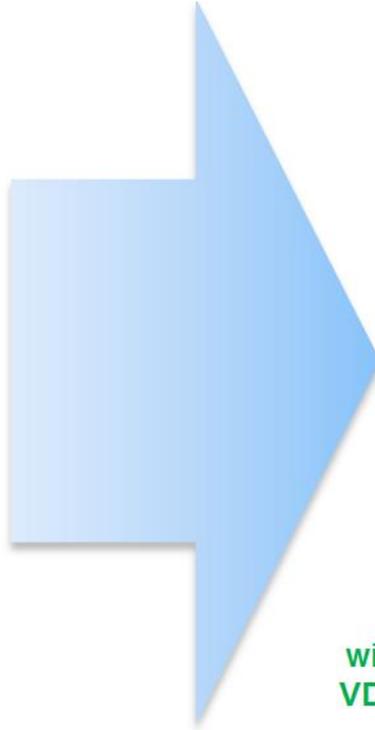
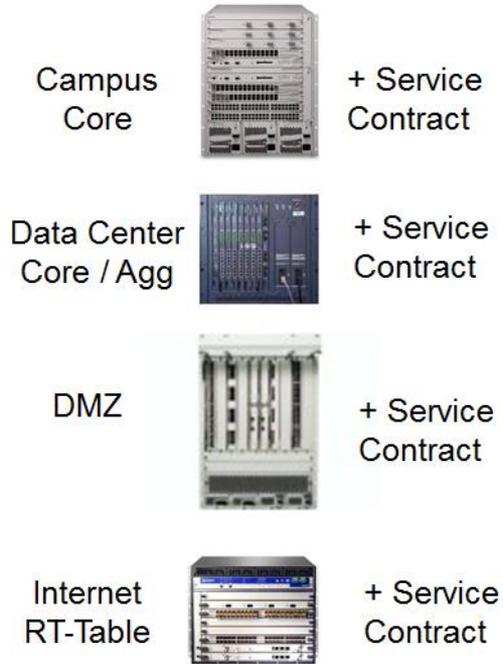
Nexus 7000 Virtualization with VDC's



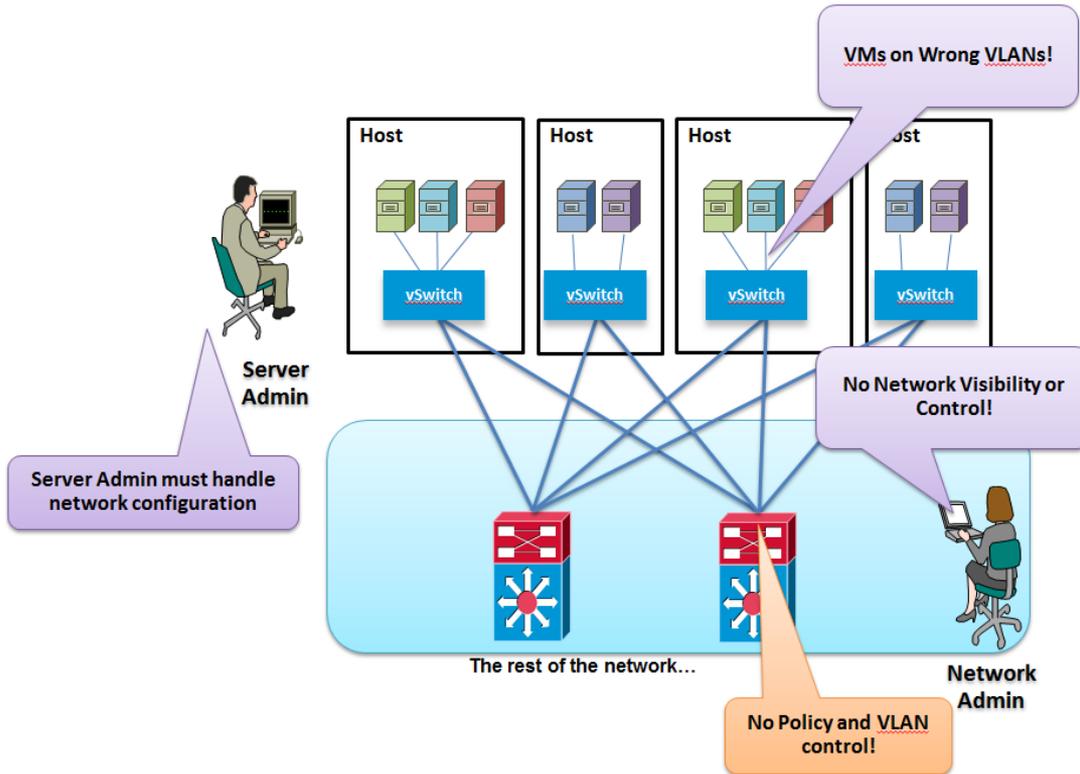
VDC – Virtual Device Context

- Flexible separation/distribution of hardware resources and software components
- Complete data plane and control plane separation
- Complete software fault isolation
- Securely delineated administrative contexts
- Forwarding engine scalability with appropriate interface allocation

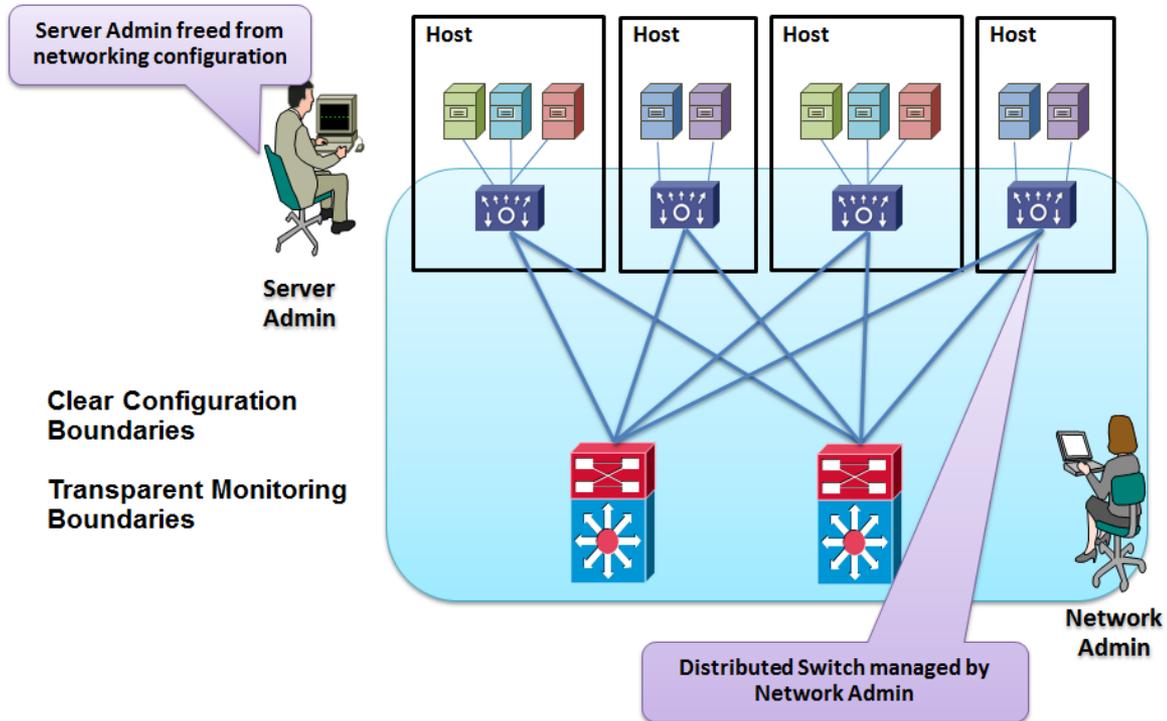
The commercial aspect of VDCs



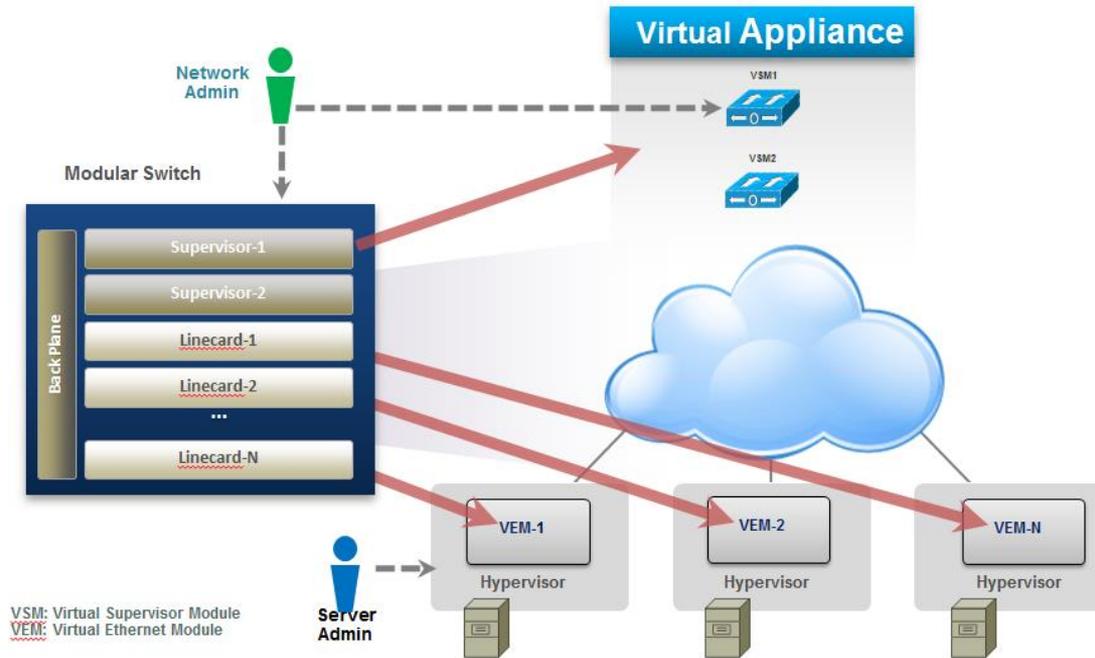
Administrative Gap



Nexus1000v Filling it in



Cisco Nexus 1000V Overview



Cisco Nexus 1000V Overview

Switching

- L2 Switching, 802.1Q Tagging, VLAN, Rate Limiting (TX)
- IGMP Snooping, QoS Marking (COS & DSCP)

Security

- Policy Mobility, Private VLANs w/ local PVLAN Enforcement
- Access Control Lists, Port Security, Cisco TrustSec Support*
- Dynamic ARP inspection*, IP Source Guard*, DHCP Snooping*

Network Services

- Virtual Services Datapath (vPath) support for traffic steering & fast-path off-load [leveraged by Virtual Security Gateway (VSG)* and other services]

Provisioning

- Port Profiles, Integration with virtualization & cloud mgmt. tools
- Optimized NIC Teaming with Virtual Port Channel – Host Mode

Visibility

- VM Migration Tracking, NetFlow v.9 w/ NDE, CDP v.2
- VM-Level Interface Statistics, SPAN & ERSPAN (policy-based)

Management

- Integrated Provisioning with SCVMM, Cisco LMS, Cisco DCNM, Cisco VNMC
- Cisco CLI, Radius, TACACs, Syslog, SNMP (v.1, 2, 3)
- Hitless upgrade, SW Installer

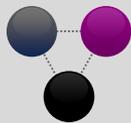
6. Application Centric Infrastructure Concept



Current Industry Approaches and Challenges

A New Model is Required

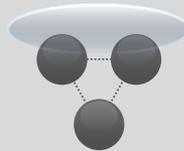
TRADITIONAL NETWORK MODEL



Network of Boxes

- Existing Infrastructure Model
- Existing Application Model

1st Generation SDN Overlay MODEL



Software Based Network Virtualization

- Lack of transparency and visibility
- Expensive Per VM Price Tax
- Per Hypervisor Overhead
- Multiple Management Points
- Many x86 Appliances for LAN Emulation

Application Centric

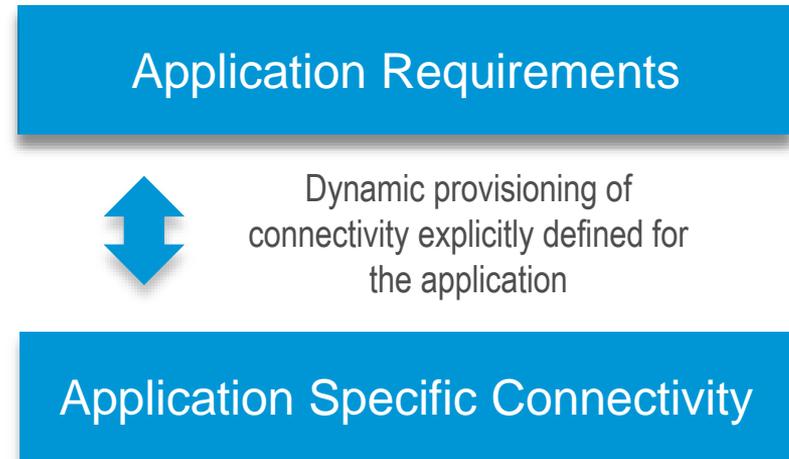
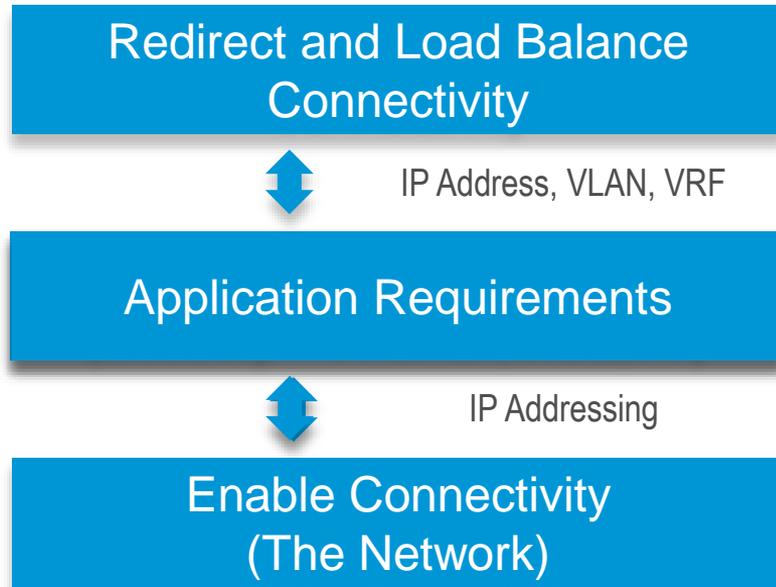


Centralized Automation, Security, and Application Profiles

- Simplification
- Complete Automation & Programmability
- Software Agility with Visibility & Performance of Hardware
- Bypass 1st Generation SDN limitations to an Application Centric Infrastructure
- Extensible to all DC & Cloud elements

Overloaded Network Constructs

ACI directly maps the application connectivity requirements onto the network and services fabric

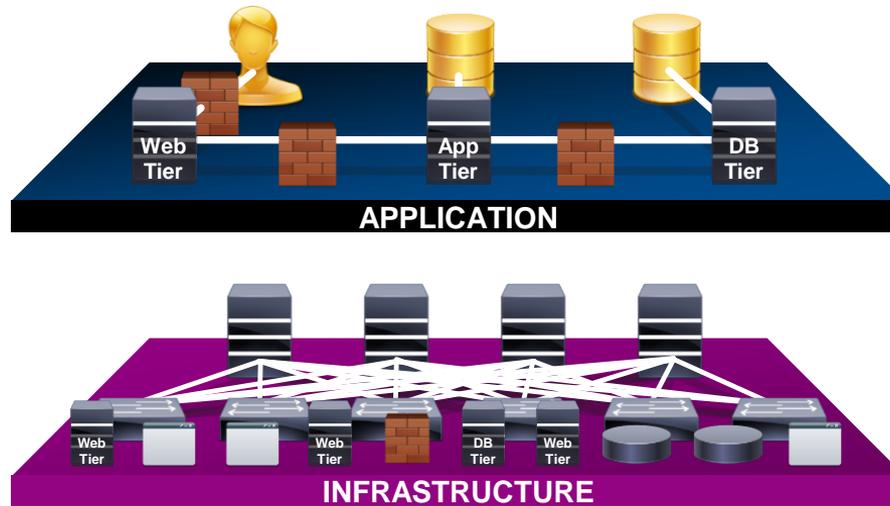


Application Velocity: Any Workload Anywhere

Application Policy &
Service Definition

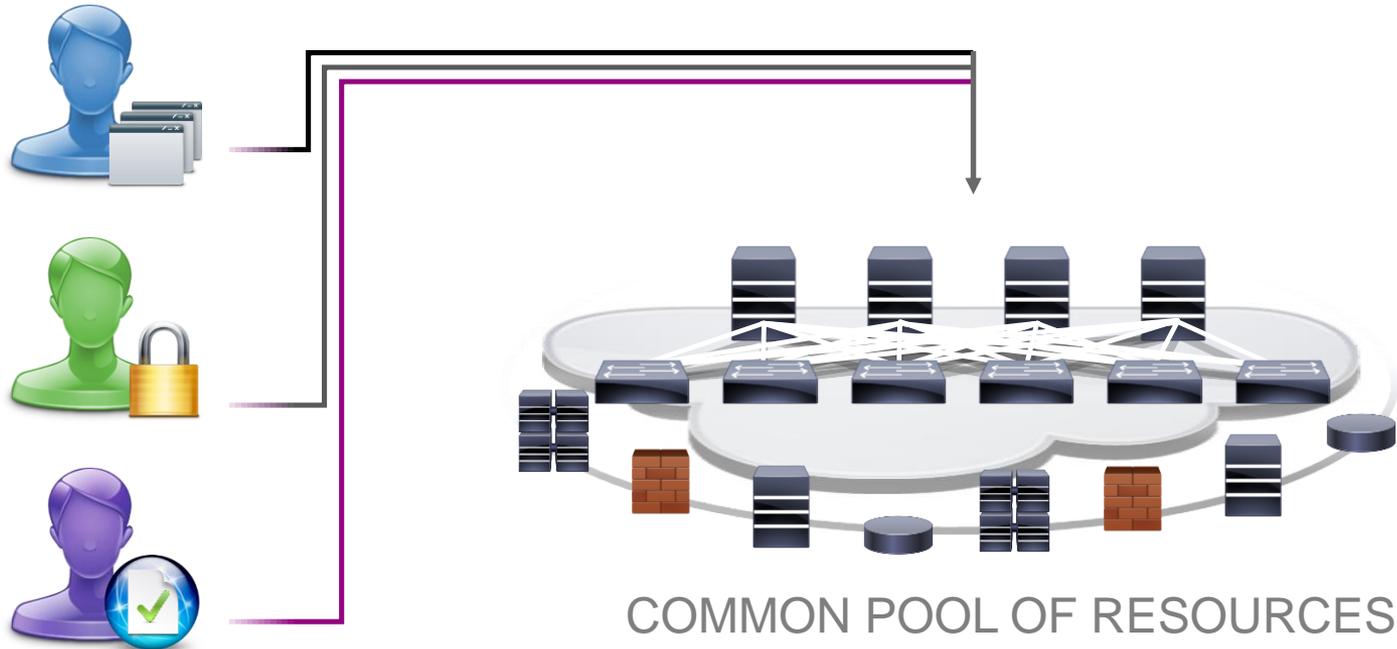


Policy Mobility &
Visibility



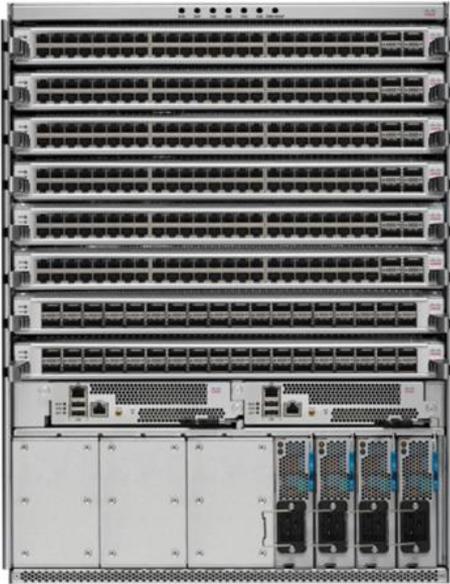
- Flexibility of software model / performance and visibility of hardware
- Enables rapid application and services deployment, move, and tear down
- Decouples application connectivity requirements from physical placement

Common Policy, Management, and Operations Framework



Extensible to All Data Center & Cloud Resources

New Platform - Nexus 9500



8 line card slots
Max 3.84 Tbps per slot duplex

No mid-plane for
LC-to-FM connectivity

Up to 320 Gbps per slot per fabric
(up to 1.92Tbps for 6 fabric modules)

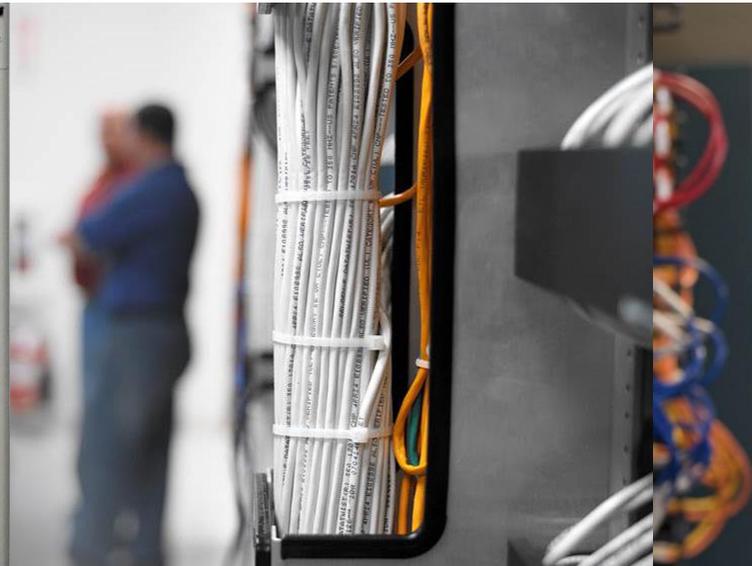
Redundant
supervisor engines

3 or 6 fabric modules
(behind fan trays)



36 x 40Gbps linerate

Application Centric Infrastructure - Key Takeaways



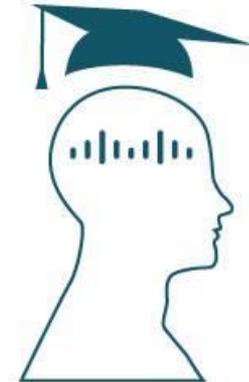
Application Centric Infrastructure transforms Data Centers to meet demands of Next-Generation Applications

Any Application
Any Hypervisor
Any Physical Edge
Complete Visibility

Leveraging the best of:
Open Software
Open Hardware
Merchant + ASIC's

YES ?

- Have you liked the session ?
- Do you feel that we just touched the top of the ice berg ?
- Are you looking for opportunity to learn something new ?
- Would you like to get knowledge that will help you to successfully pass the assessment center and get the dreamed job ?



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7. QUIZ



Quiz – Questions #1

What is this ? .. and how it is related with LAN networks ?



Quiz – Questions #2

What is the typical switchover time for VSS cluster ?

A: 0.15 – 0.44 [s]

Quiz – Questions #3

What is the default HSRP timeout

A: 10s

Quiz – Questions #4

What is the maximum number of ports managed by single cluster of instant access ?

A: 1008 ports

Quiz – Questions #5

What is the maximum power/port available using UPOE standard ?

A: 60W

Quiz – Questions #6

What type of basic architecture principle Catalyst 4k represent ?

A: Centralized architecture

Quiz – Questions #7

What is the main difference between STP and RSTP

A: RSTP is not based on timers

Quiz – Questions #8

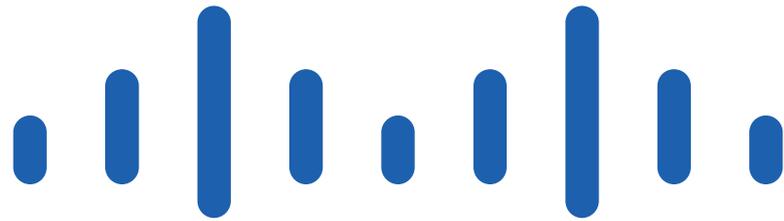
What are the main layers of hierarchal design

A: core/distribution/access

Quiz – Questions #10

Which switch from Nexus portfolio allows to improve network management of VM

A: Nexus 1000v



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