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# Multi-Cloud SD-WAN Design

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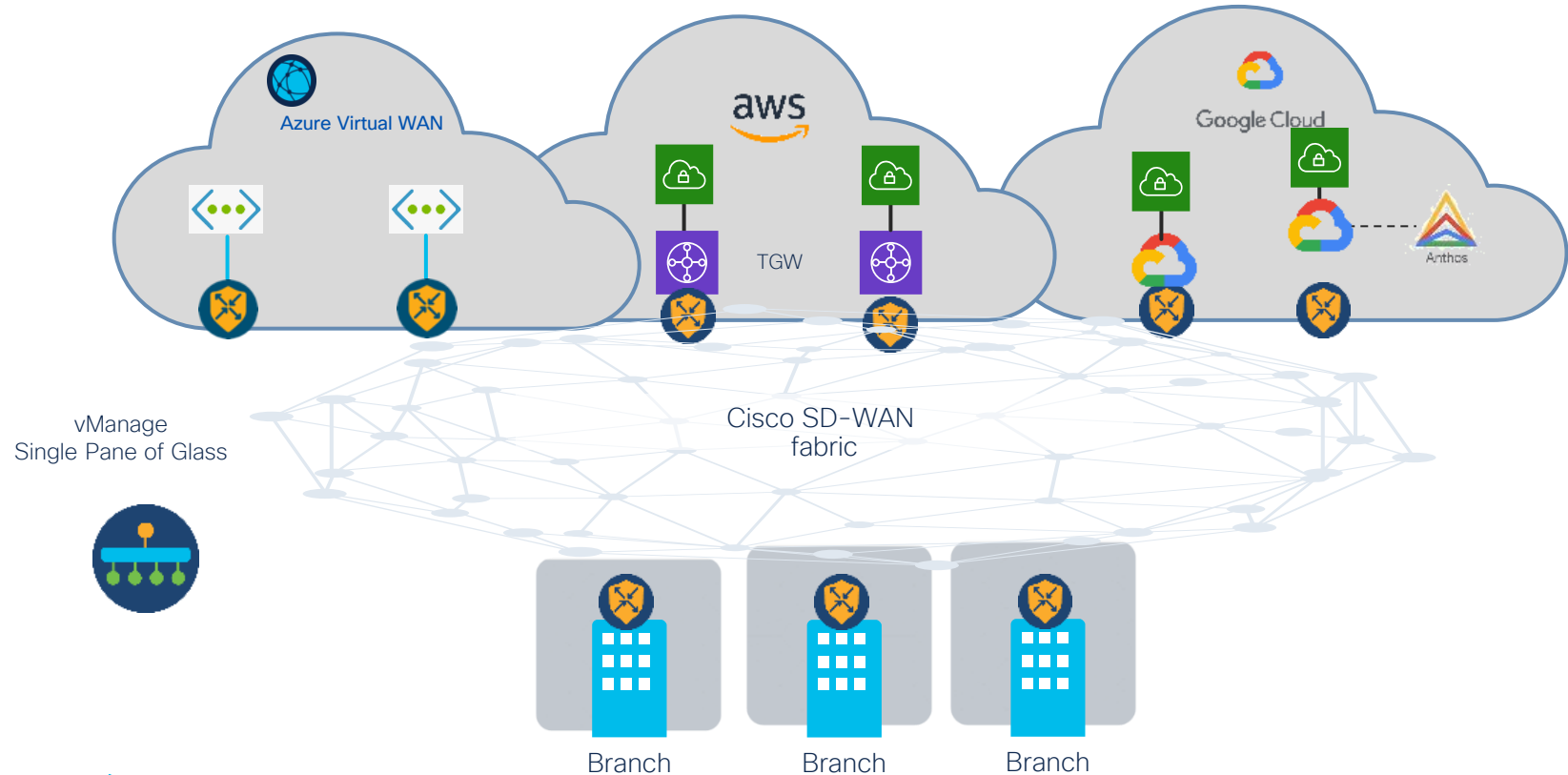
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- Introduction
- Site-to-Cloud Designs
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- Multi-Region fabric using Cloud as core
- Key Design Asks
- Conclusion

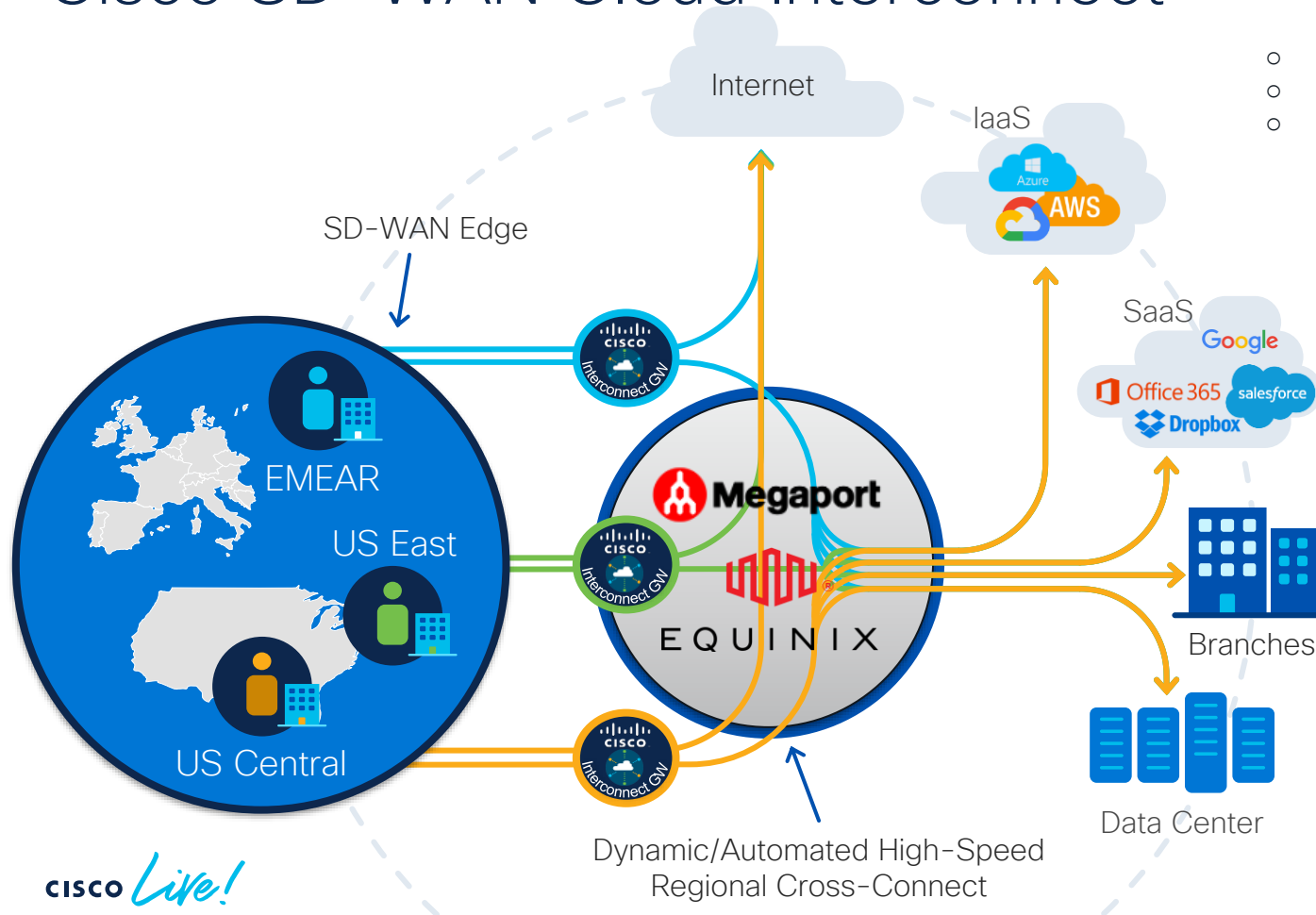
# Introduction



# Cloud OnRamp for Multicloud



# Cisco SD-WAN Cloud Interconnect

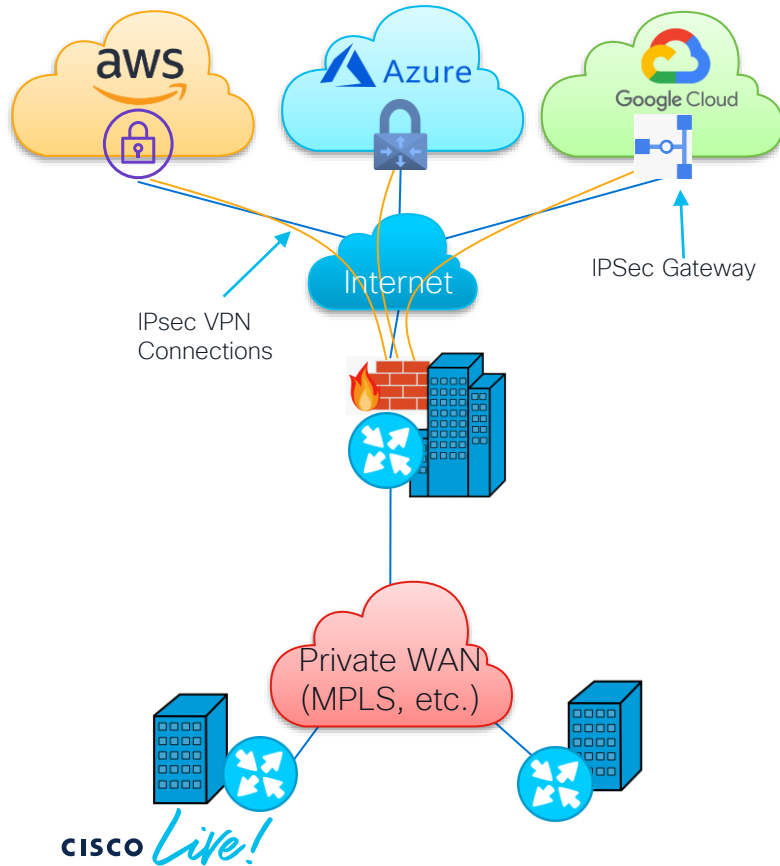


- Unifies Fractured Access Peering
- Optimize Network Peering Points
- IaaS Delivered Network Service

# Site-to-Cloud Design

# Traditional Cloud Connectivity

## Private WAN with Internet-Based Cloud Connectivity

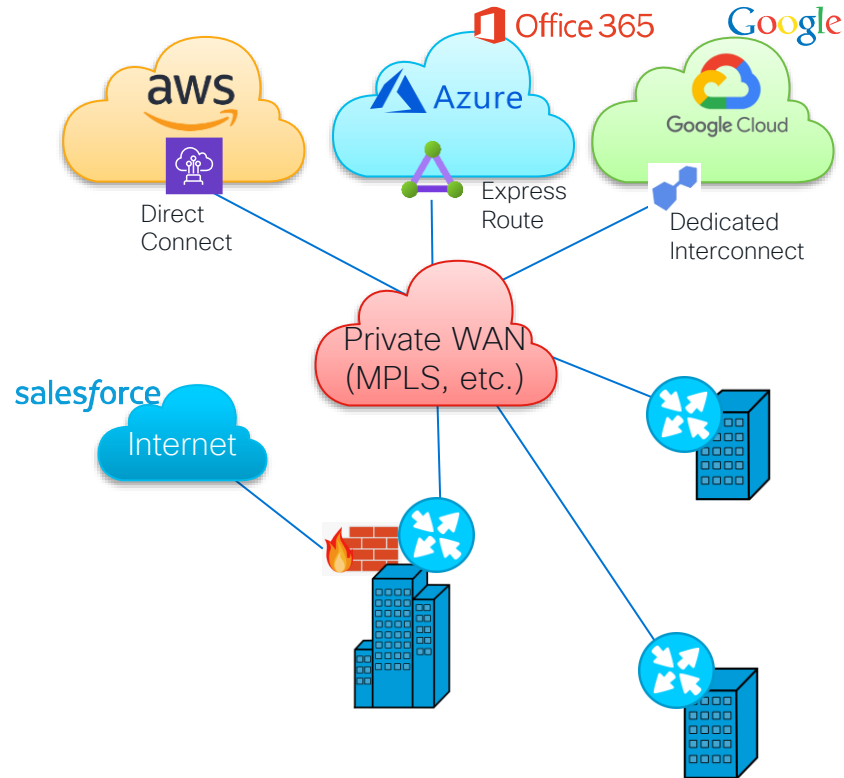


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- Internet-bound traffic is backhauled across the private WAN to one or more HQ / data center sites
- Cloud hosted workloads are accessible from HQ/DC using IPsec connections over Internet.
  - Multiple models – IPsec GW within individual VPCs or vNETs, IPsec GW within Transit VPC or vWAN/vHub, etc.
- Guaranteed service levels (BW, latency, loss) between corporate sites, but no guarantees of SLAs to cloud providers



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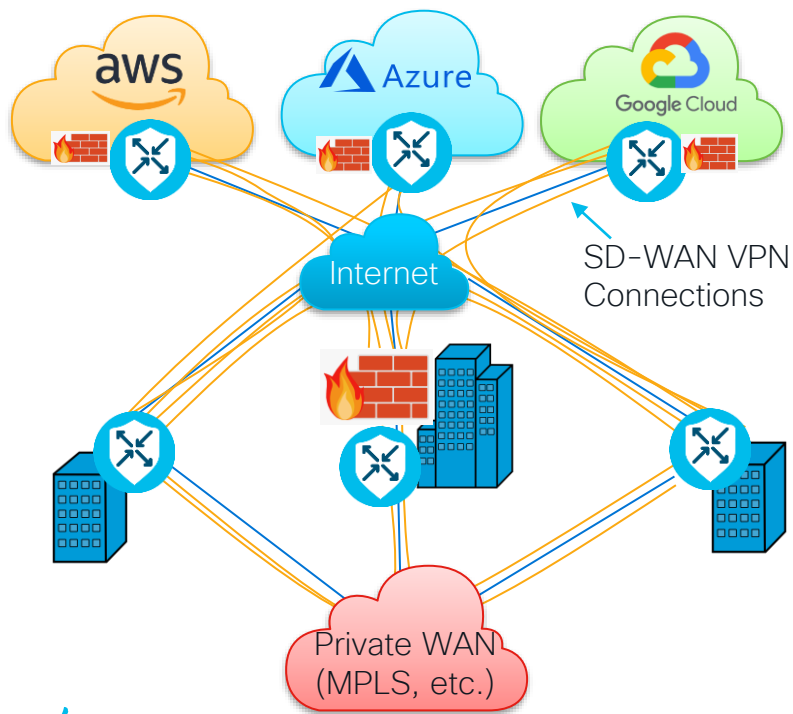
## Private WAN with Dedicated Cloud Connectivity



- Internal Site-to-Site Traffic – uses Private WAN
- Internet-bound (non-cloud) traffic backhauled via the private wan to one or more HQ / data center sites
- Traffic to Cloud hosted workloads and some SaaS traffic are sent leveraging MPLS provider integration with public cloud providers
- Guaranteed service levels (BW, latency, loss) between corporate sites, and out to public cloud IaaS (and some SaaS Apps) providers
- Connectivity between cloud provider VPCs/vNets via the public cloud provider network, MPLS provider network, and/or corporate sites

# SD-WAN & Cloud Connectivity

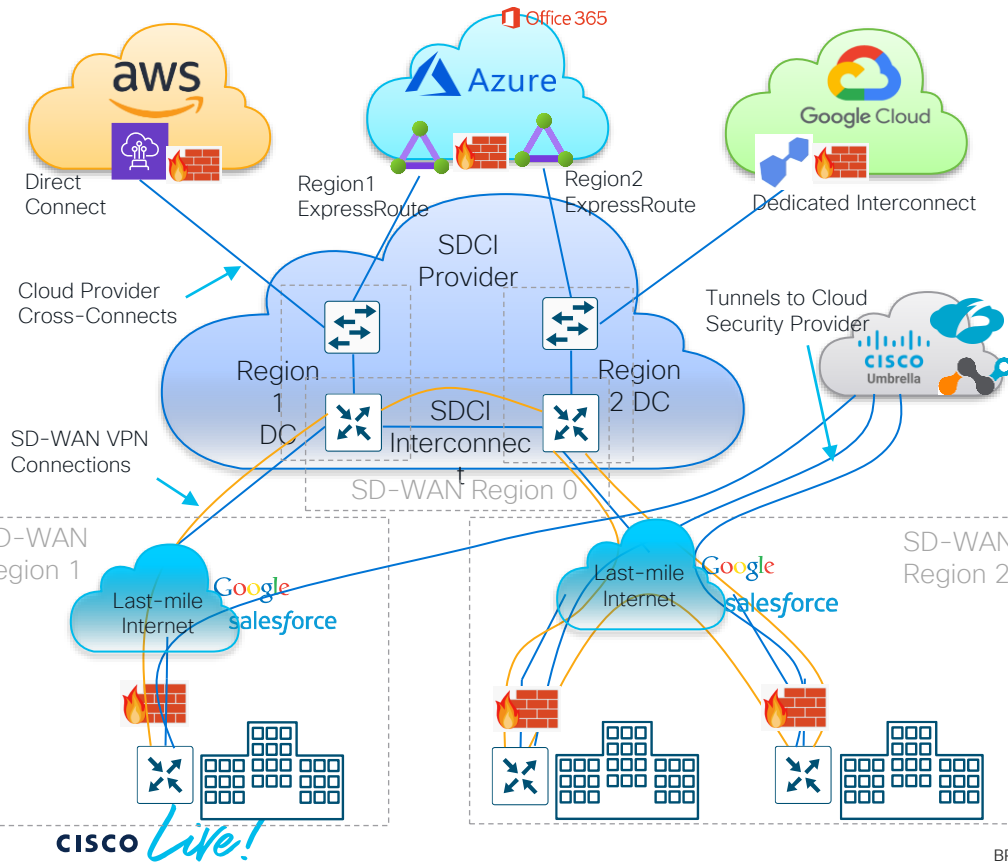
## Private WAN with Internet-Based Cloud Connectivity



- Internal Site-to-Site Traffic – uses both Private WAN & INTERNET WAN
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# SD-WAN & Cloud Connectivity

## Private WAN with SDCI-Based Cloud Connectivity

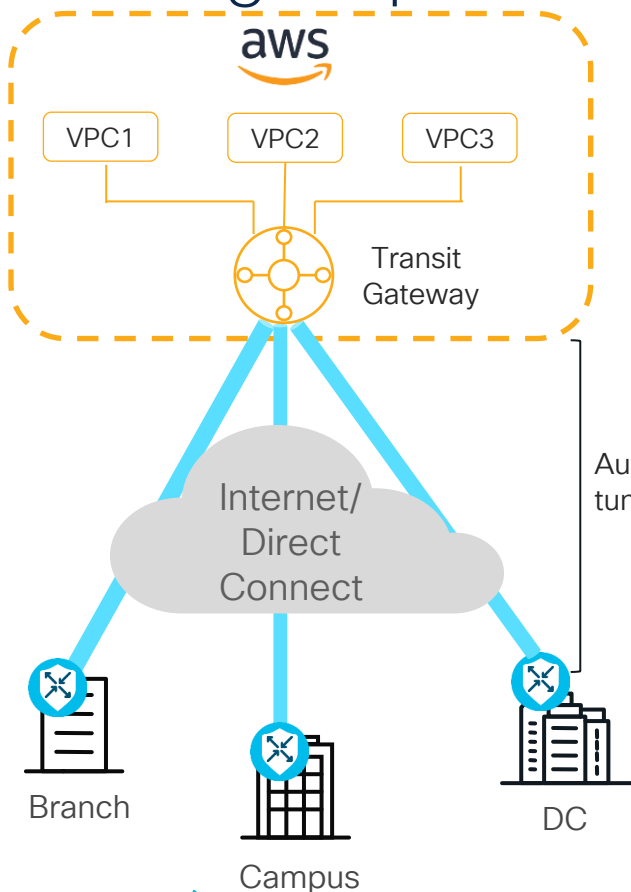


- SDCI provider for internal site-to-site traffic and cloud connectivity, with multi-region fabric (hierarchical) SD-WAN model.
- Site-to-site & Site-to-Cloud traffic traverses last-mile Internet connectivity via SD-WAN tunnels to logical cloud gateway instances within the SDCI provider.
- Logical SDCI Interconnect provides connectivity between SDCI data centers in different geographic regions.
- Cloud provider cross-connects within the SDCI provider data centers provide direct access to public cloud providers (AWS, GCP, Azure, etc.) for IaaS and some SaaS applications
- Access to Internet and some SaaS traffic is enabled through Internet Edge (firewall, etc.) or through SIG (Umbrella, Zscaler, etc.).
- Guaranteed service levels (BW, latency, loss) within the SDCI provider and to cloud provider network.

# Site to Cloud – Connectivity options...AWS as an example



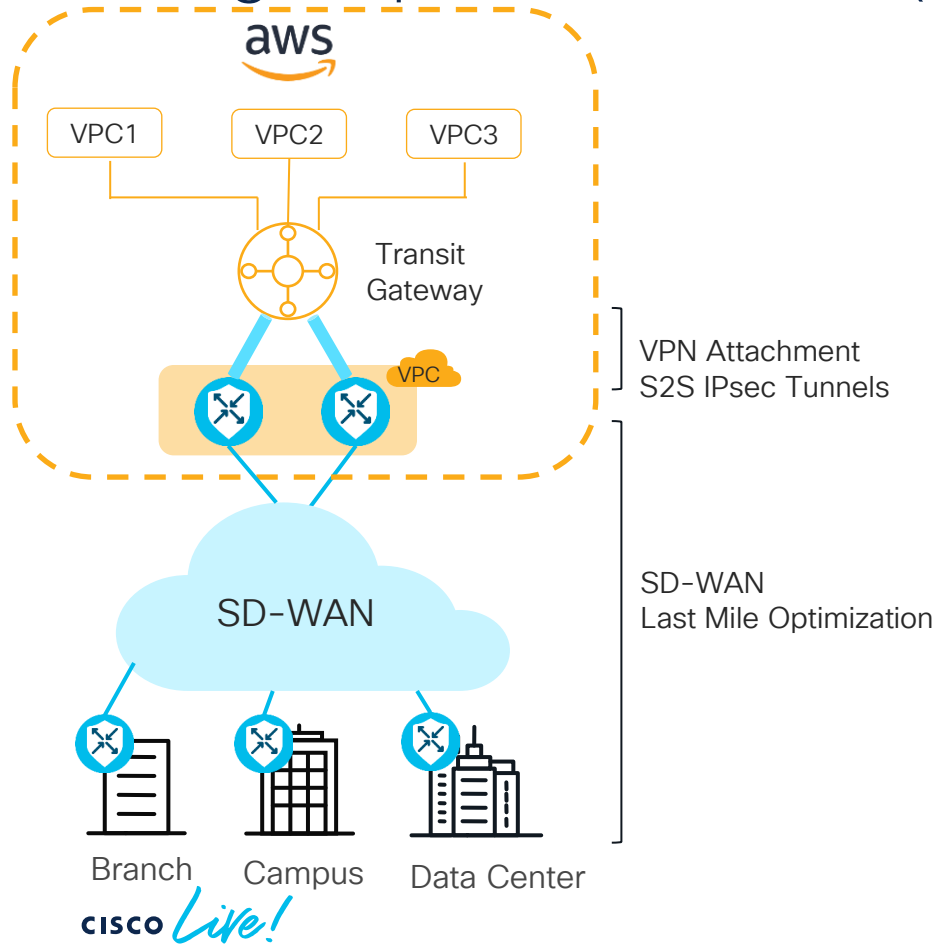
# Design Option#1 – Branch Connect Model



## Design Considerations:

- Automated provisioning through vManage (CoR-MC-Branch Connect)
- Lower costs while comparing to Transit VPC design
- More BW available per site (~1.25 Gbps per tunnel – which is a Cloud limitation)
- HA Support for IKE-IPSec tunnels
- Needs monitoring of individual tunnels from all the branches to TGW

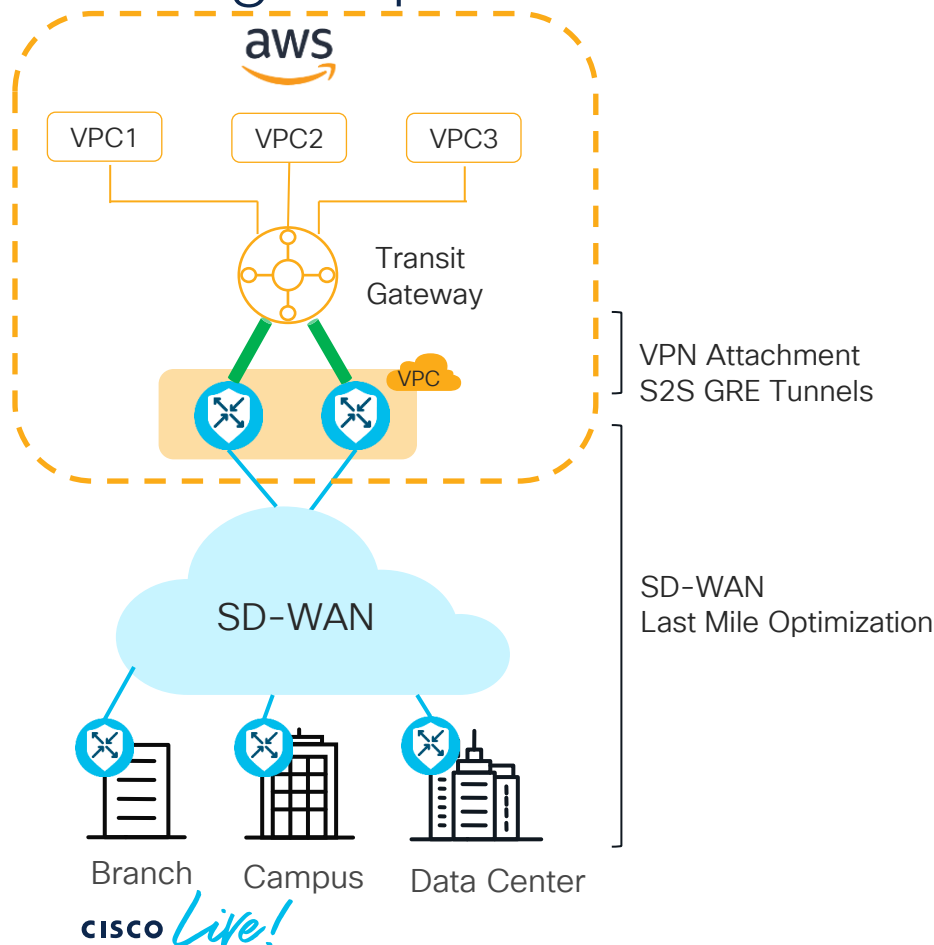
# Design Option#2 – VPN (IPSec) based Model



## Design Considerations:

- o Extend SD-WAN up to TGW
  - vManage automation
  - Apply uniform business intent via SD-WAN policies all the way into cloud
  - Extend existing network segmentation into the cloud
- o Optimized routing and path selection
- o Lower operational overhead
- o DPI and flow visibility, up to the cloud
- o Leverage SD-WAN for HA architecture
- o S2S VPN tunnel (one per service VPN) max limits to ~1.25 Gbps. It can be Mitigated by suing multiple VPN tunnels and leverage ECMP

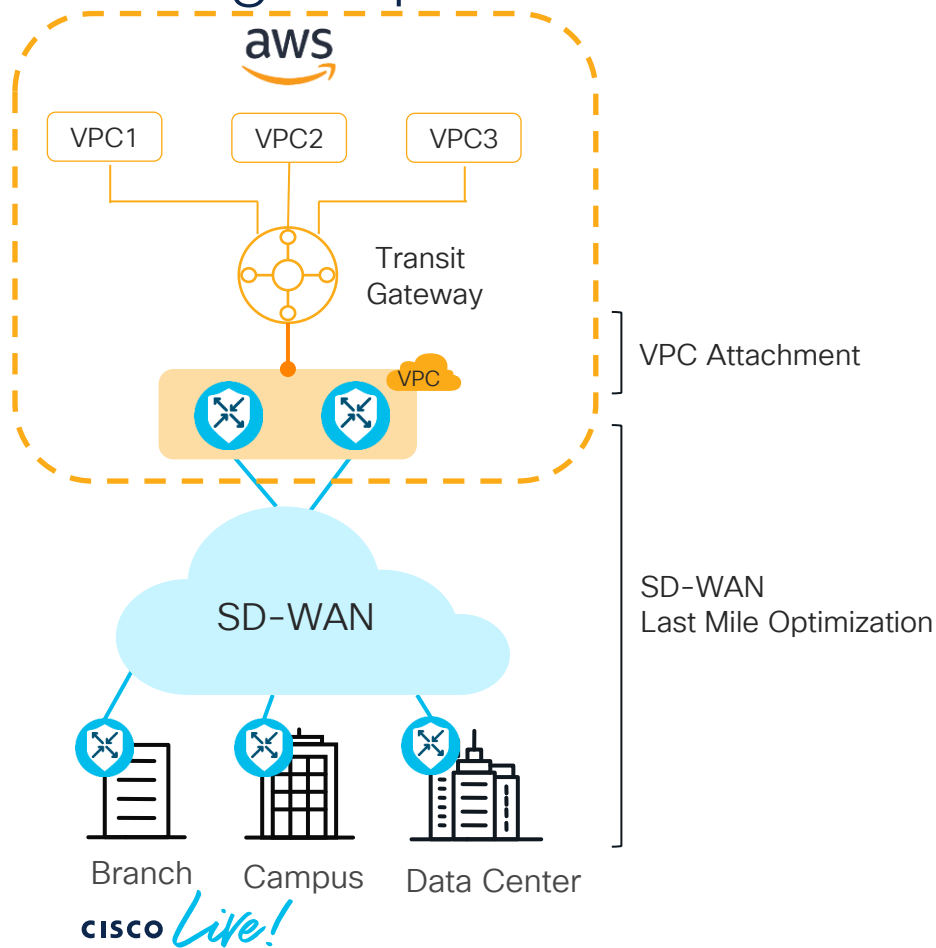
# Design Option#3 – GRE Connect based Model



## Design Considerations:

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- o Max throughput of 5 Gbps for each AWS GRE tunnel
- o C8Kv instance size determines the throughput (up to 20 Gig IMIX throughput)

# Design Option#4 – VPC Attachment Model

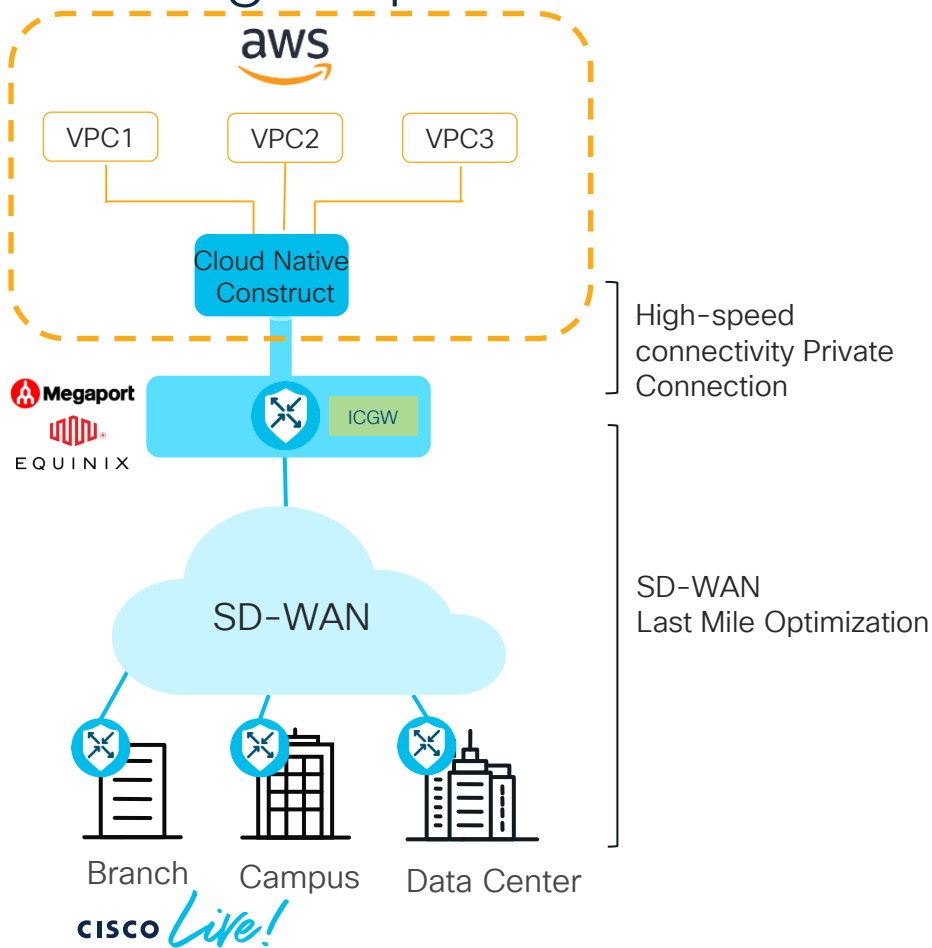


## Design Considerations:

- Higher single connection bandwidth
  - Terminating SD-WAN VPC to AWS Transit Gateway as a VPC attachment eliminates 1.25 Gbps limitation
- Saves the cost associated with AWS S2S VPN connections
- Connection between the SD-WAN VPC and AWS Transit Gateway is unencrypted
- Needs Static routing to be configured manually
- No vManage Built-in automation, can be done through custom automation tools like Terraform



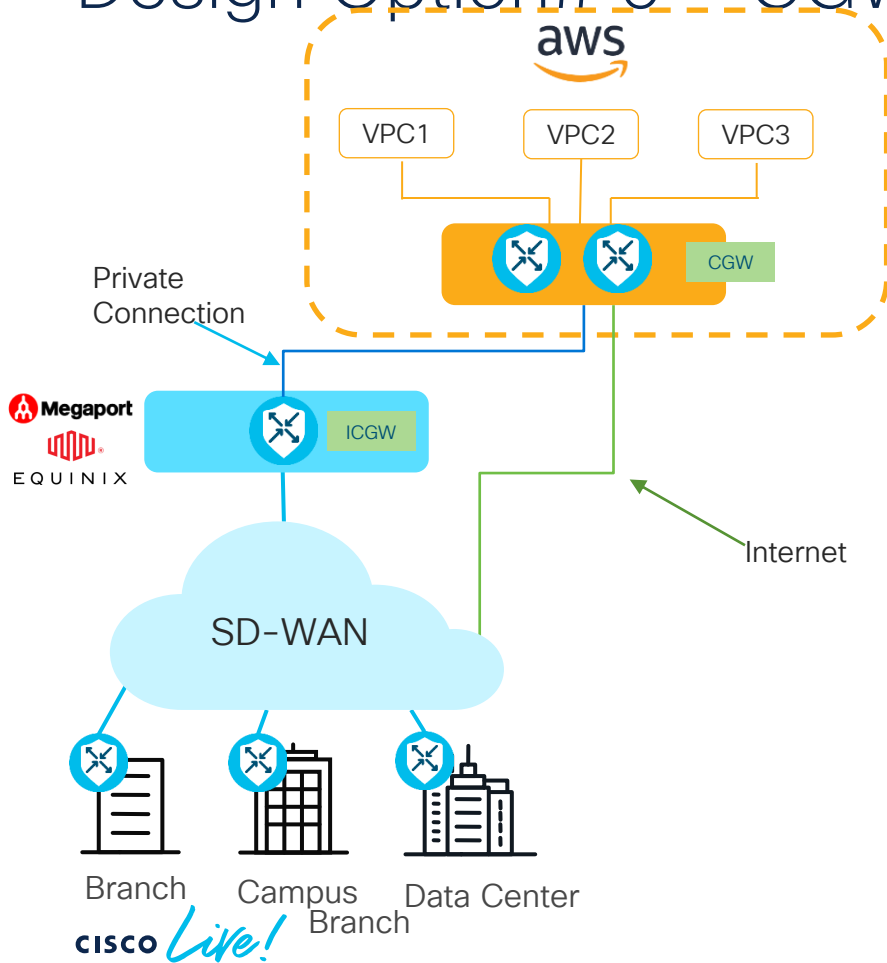
# Design Option# 5 – CoLo Interconnect Model



## Design Considerations:

- Regionalized CoLo design benefits
  - Service Chain
  - Scale as you grow
  - High speed path to cloud
- Optimized routing and path selection to the CoLo
- Leverage SD-WAN for HA architecture
- CSP Prefix limitation applies
- Encryption is done upto ICGW

# Design Option# 6 – CGW in SDCI Model



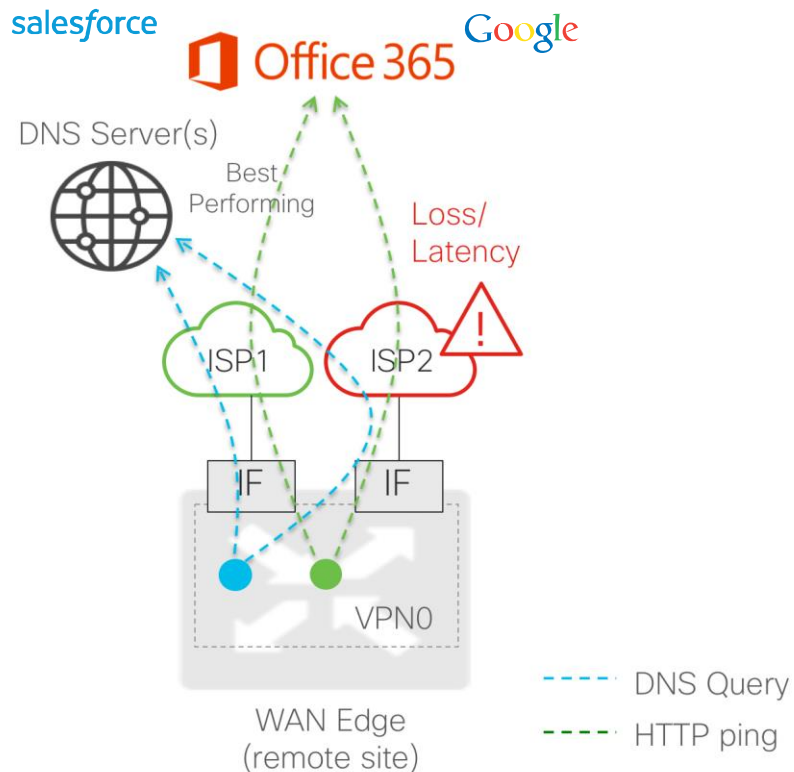
## Design Considerations:

- o End-to-End Encryption from branch to SDCI to Cloud
- o Multi Segment
- o Multi-Path support (Internet & private)
- o Avoids prefix-advertisement limitation applied by CSPs.

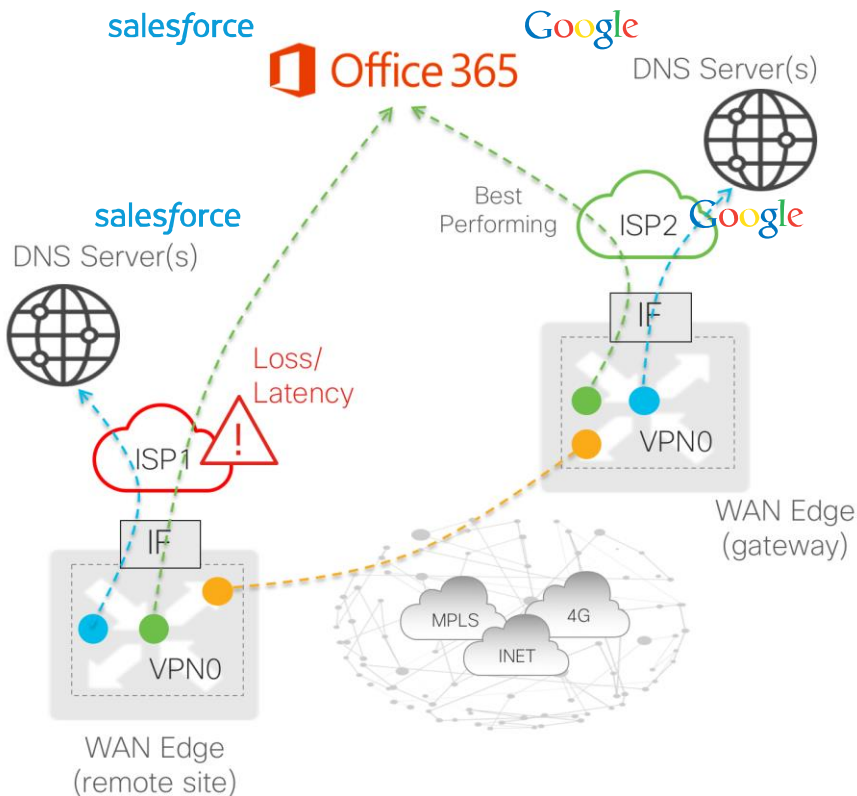
# Site-to-SaaS Connectivity Models

# Internet based connectivity to SaaS Cloud Providers

## Dual DIA

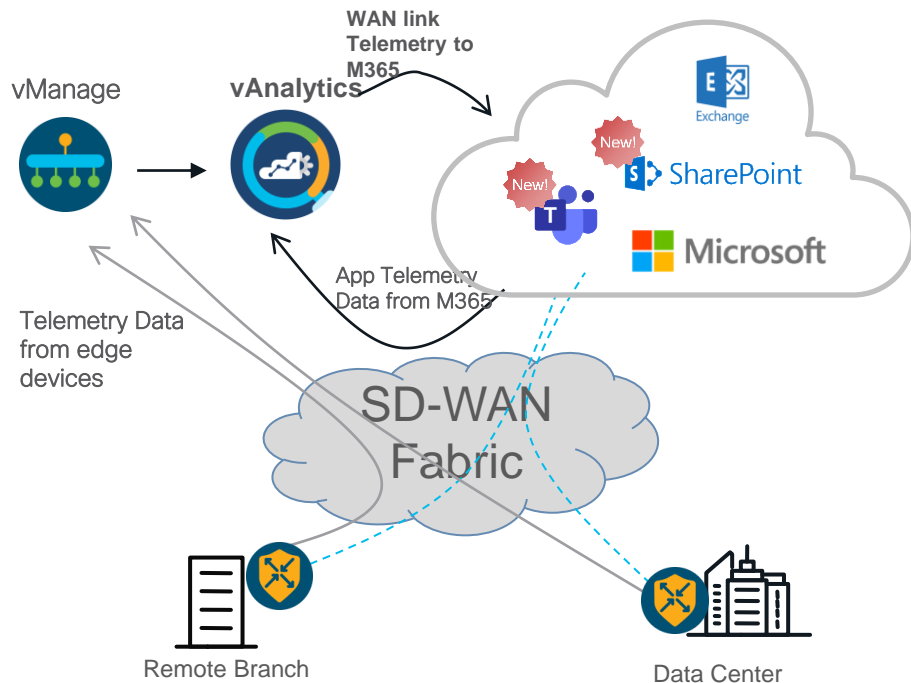


## Single DIA



# Cloud OnRamp for M365

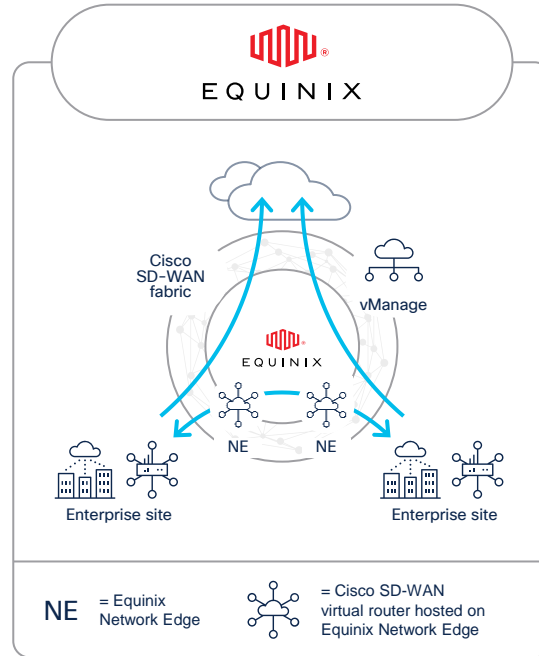
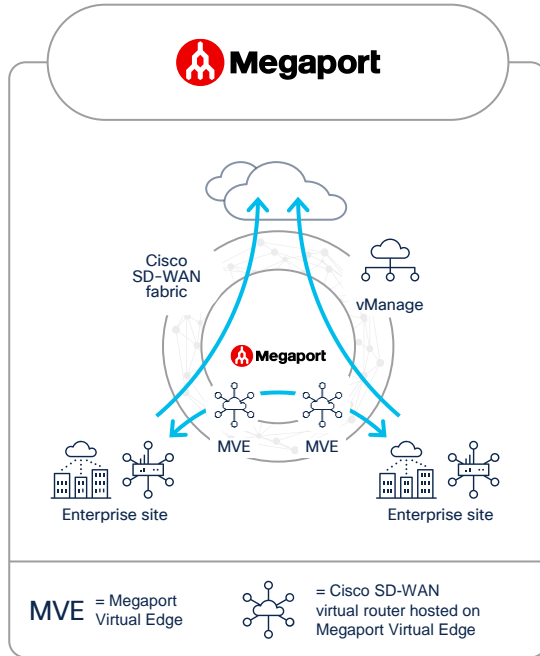
## Microsoft Teams and SharePoint support



- First Packet Match for M365 Traffic
- vAnalytics receives Teams and SharePoint telemetry data from Microsoft
- Application and Network Telemetry provides application performance insights
- vAnalytics uses Network and App telemetry data to compute best path
- SD-WAN router selects best path based on results received from vAnalytics

# Site-to-Site Design

# SDCI / Cloud Interconnect



## Benefits:



Return on investment

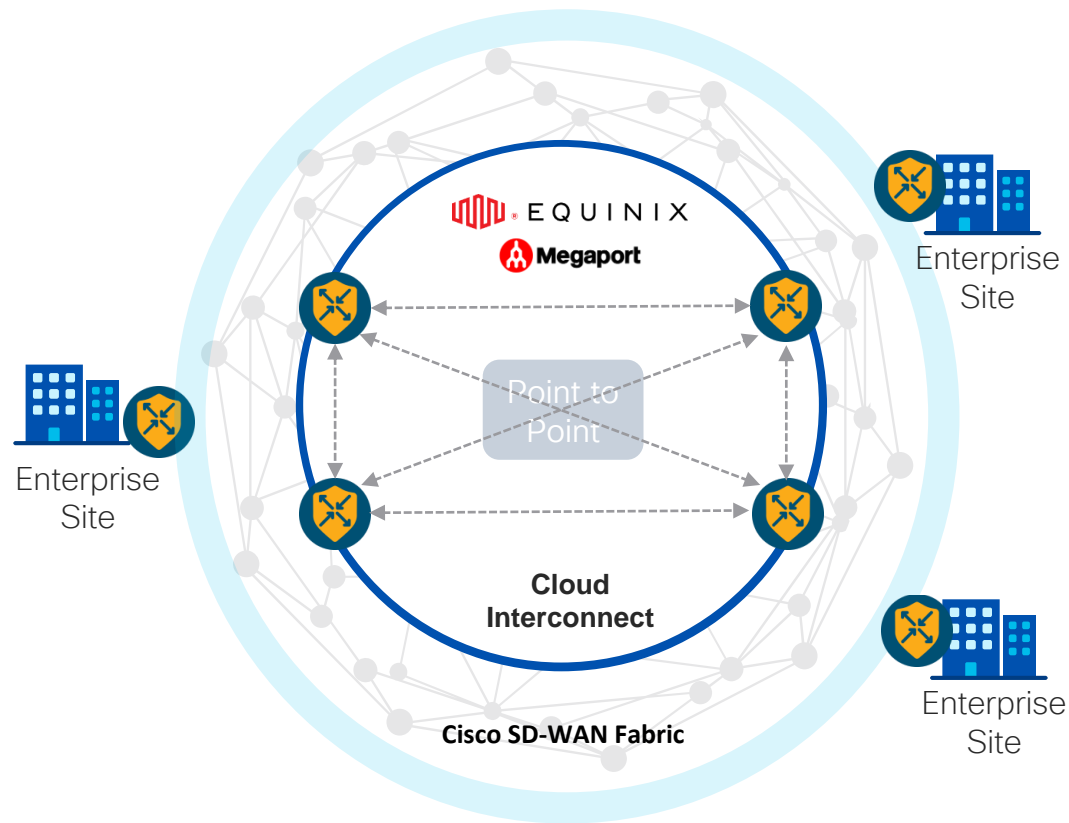


Single pane of glass automation



Secure Multicloud networking

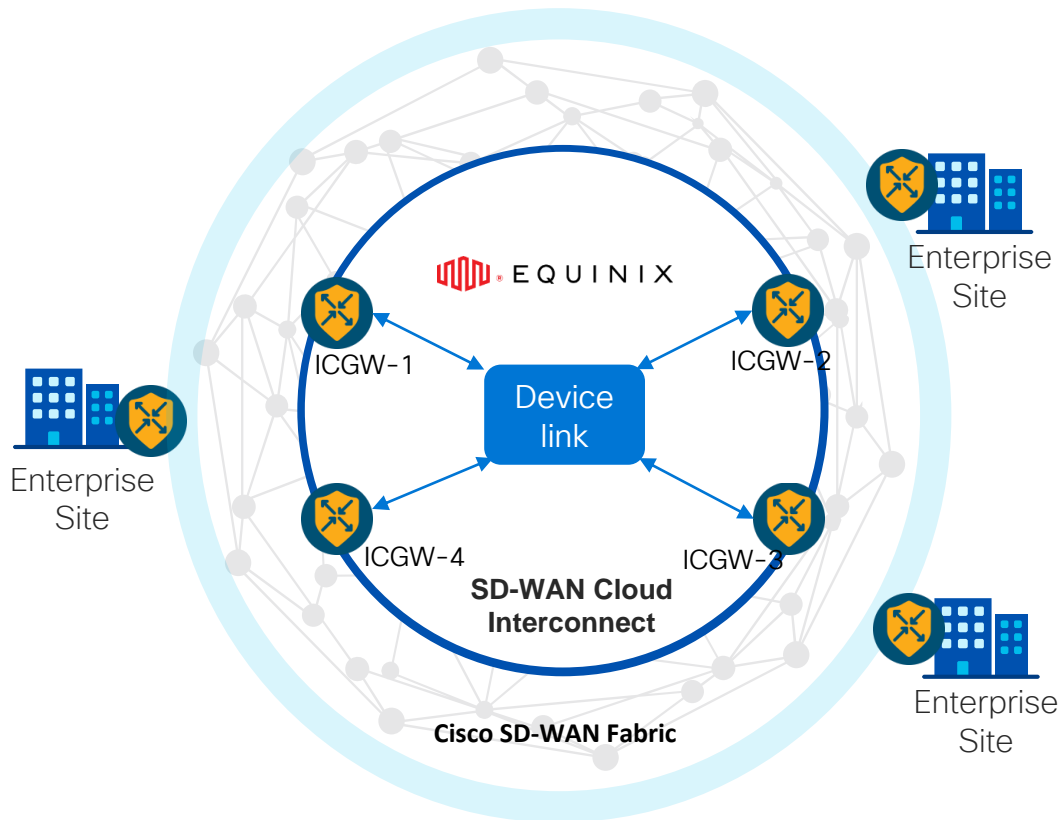
# SDCI – Point-to-point connectivity



- A cloud-delivered regional aggregation service with rich set of programmable cloud direct-connects
- Point-to-point full mesh connectivity between ICGWs in SDCI
- Guaranteed SLAs on SDCI Backbone

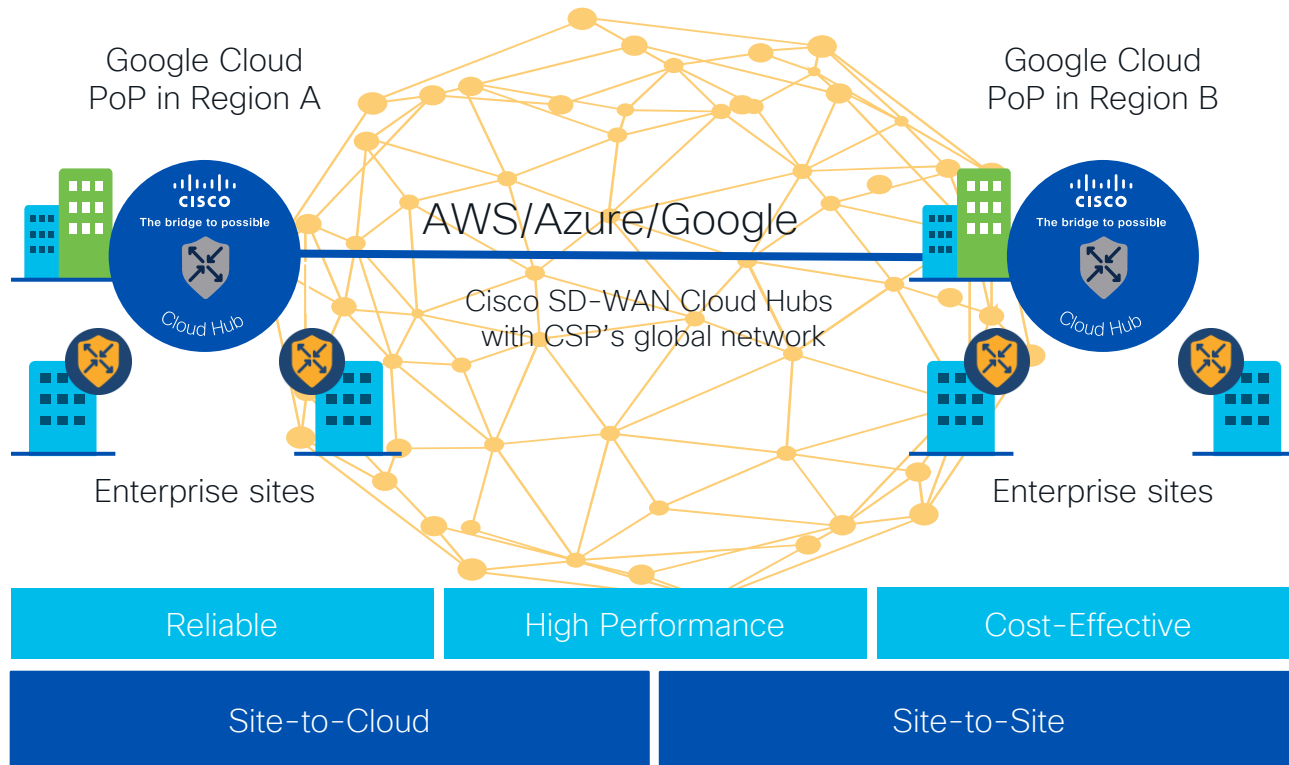


# SDCI – Device link connectivity



- Device Link connectivity is specific to EQUINIX (Point-to-multipoint connectivity -> simplifies the policy, ease of use).
- Creates one Broadcast Domain.
- Only ICGWs can be Device link Group Member.
- Extension for site-to-site connection.
- All Device link Group members are connected using virtual links to form full-mesh.

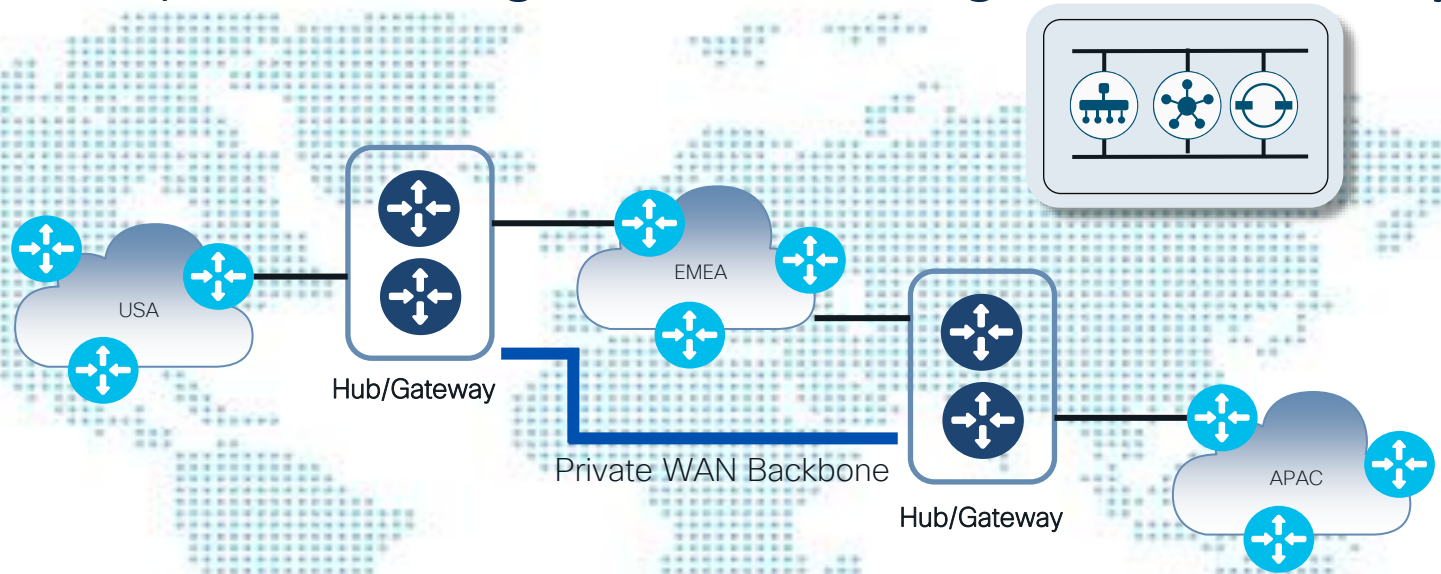
# Cloud Service Provider (CSP) SD-WAN Architecture for Site-to-Site Connectivity



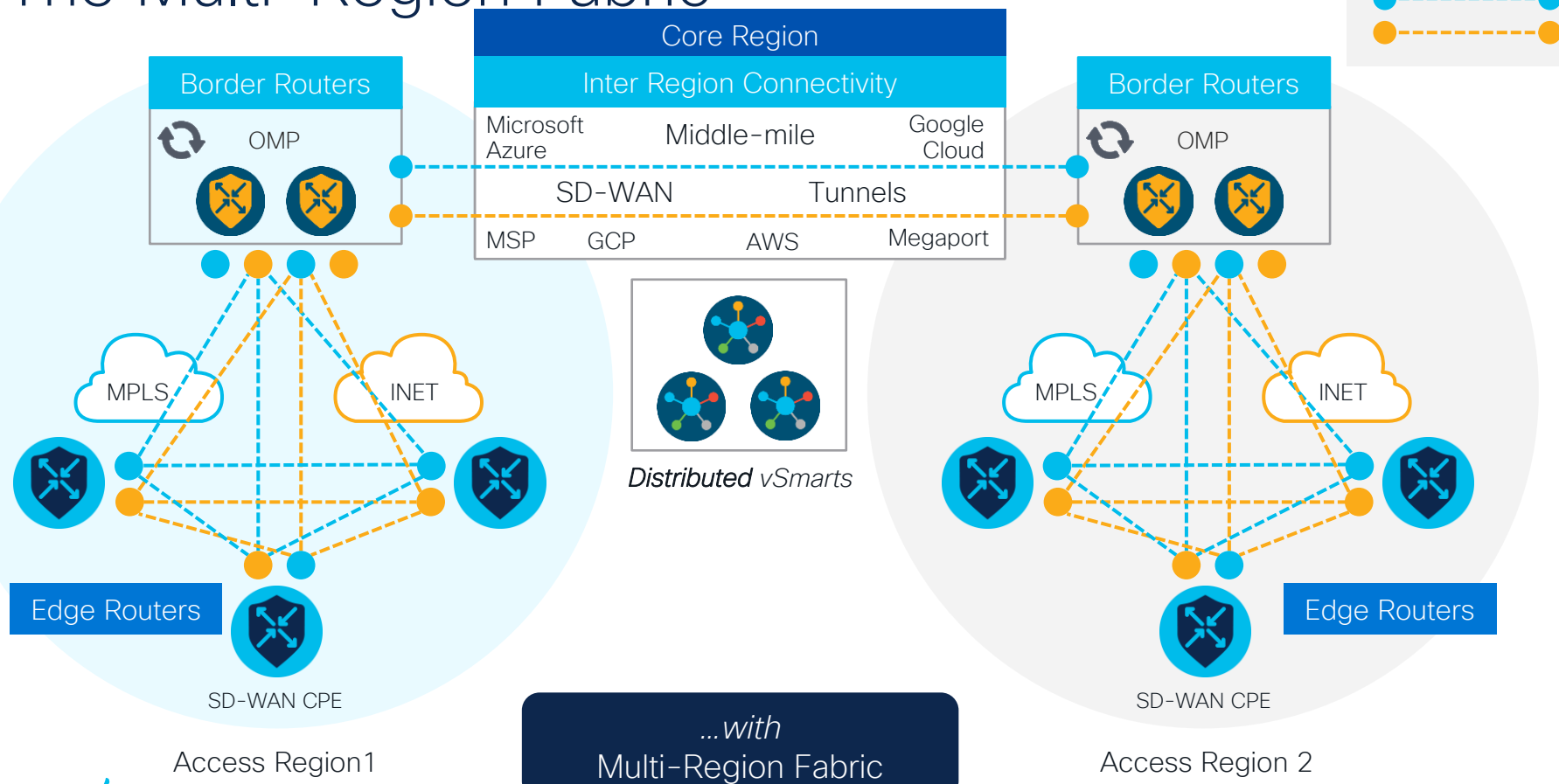
# Multi-Region Fabric

Using Cloud as Core

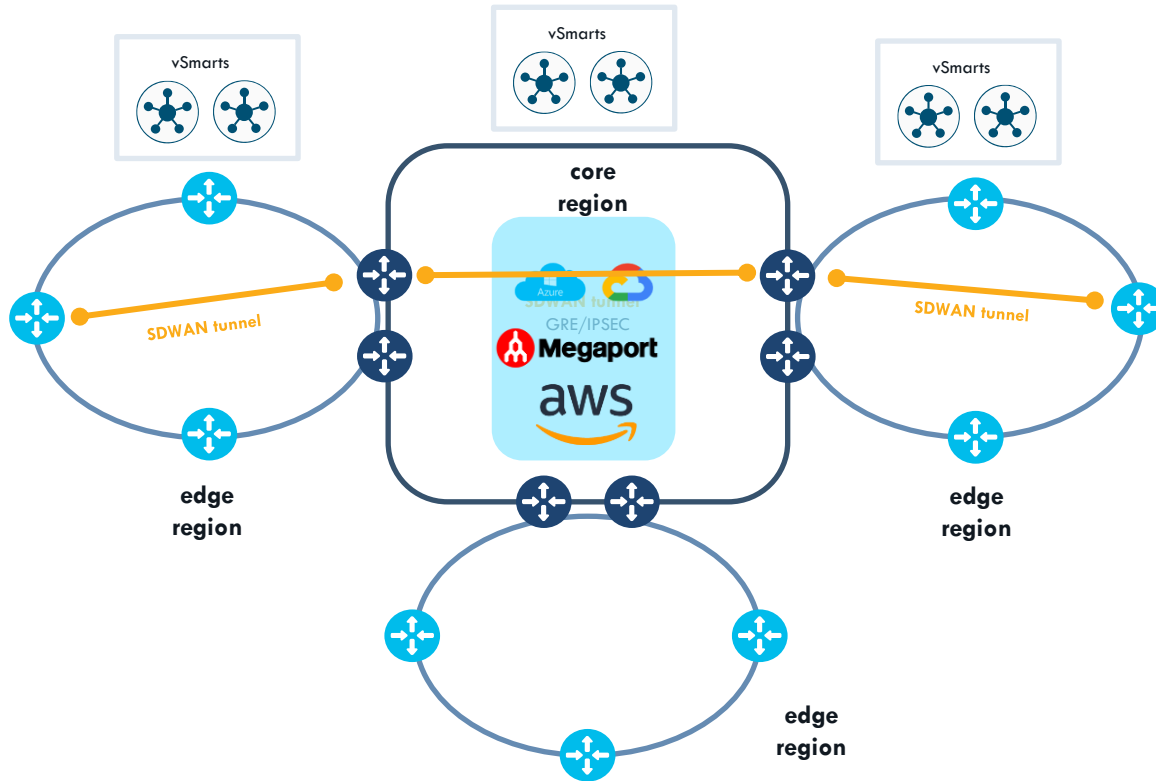
# Large Enterprise – Regional Meshing and Gateways



# The Multi-Region Fabric



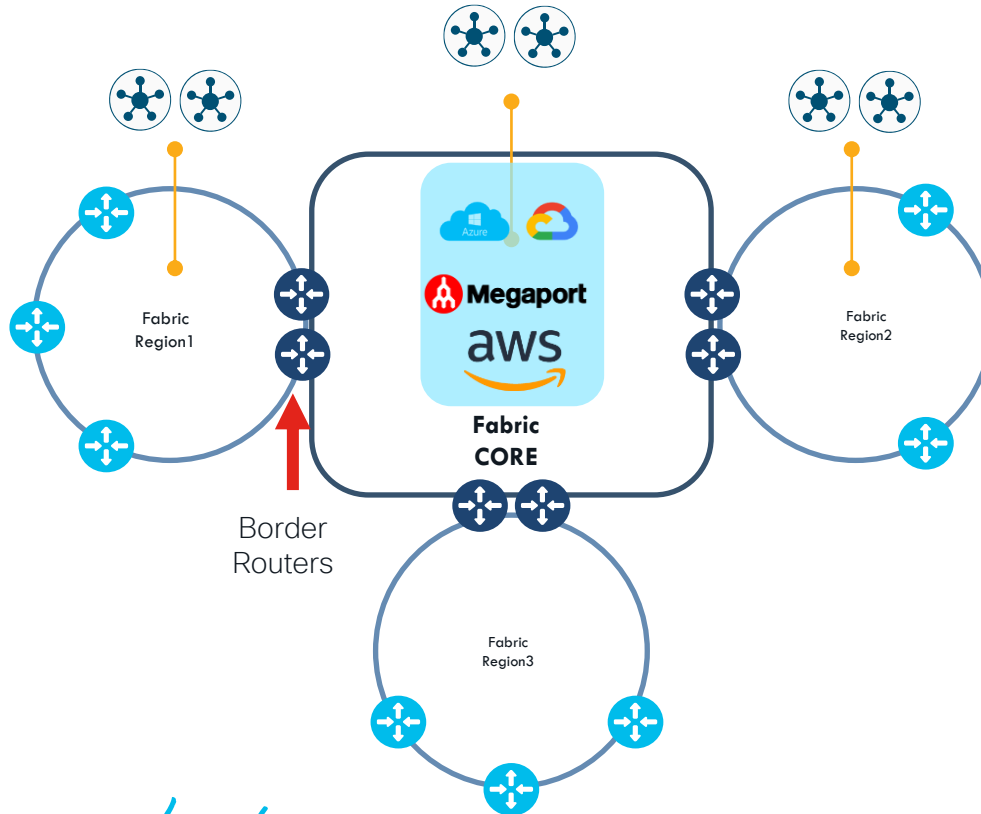
# Topology – IP Forwarding



## Topology

- 2-Layer Architecture
- SDWAN tunnels limited to regions
- Hop by Hop tunnels
- Decrypt/Encrypt on all nodes along the path
- IP Lookup and Forwarding per node
- Requires Service VPN on intermediate nodes (Border Routers)
- Mix of encapsulation is possible GRE in core/access  
Example: IPsec on access region and GRE on core

# Border router & Distributed vSmarts



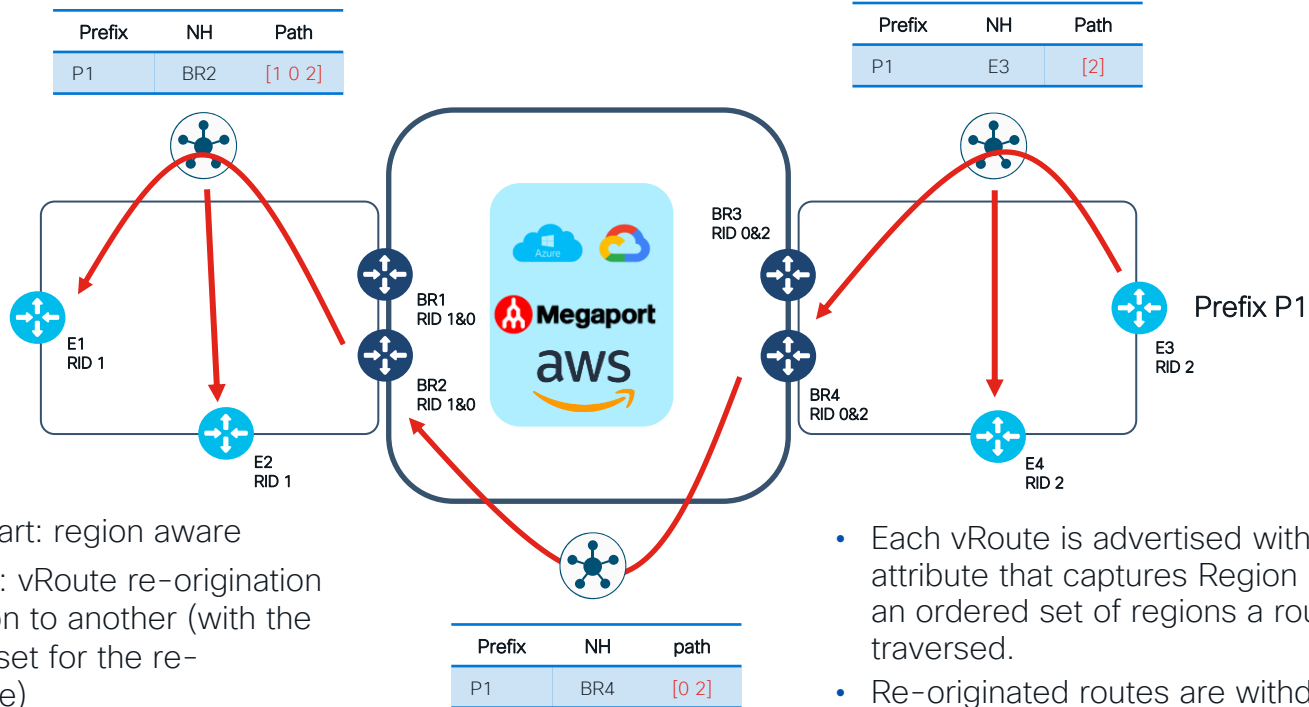
## Border Router

- Provides inter-region connectivity by connecting regional overlay to a common core or back bone overlay
- Hosted in MSP POP, Cisco POP, CSP, SDCI
- Horizontally scalable
- Only serves 1 access and 1 core region

## Regional vSmart

- In MRF, vSmart controllers become regional
- Mitigates the path scale challenges

# Routing in Hierarchical SD-WAN aka MRF

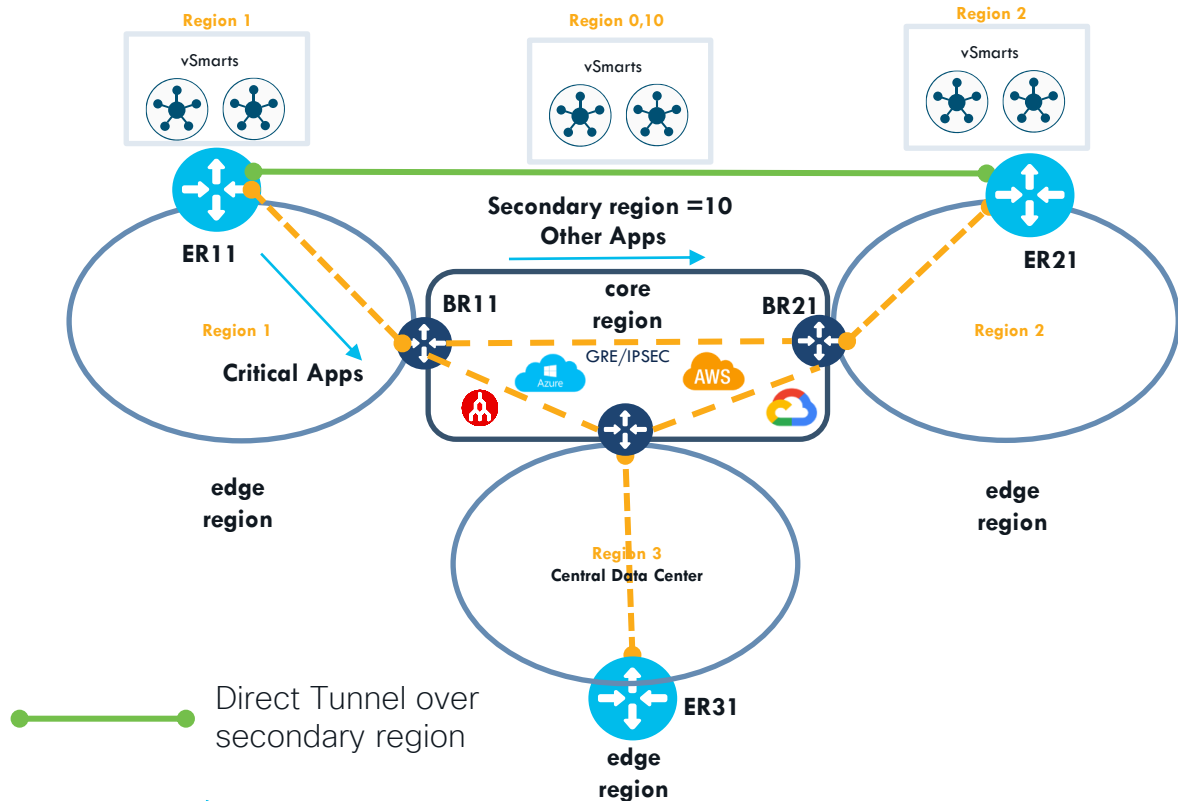


- OMP and vSmart: region aware
- Border routers: vRoute re-origination from one region to another (with the correct TLOC set for the re-originated route)

- Each vRoute is advertised with a new attribute that captures Region path- which is an ordered set of regions a route has traversed.
- Re-originated routes are withdrawn if the connectivity goes down. This helps prevent blackholing scenarios.



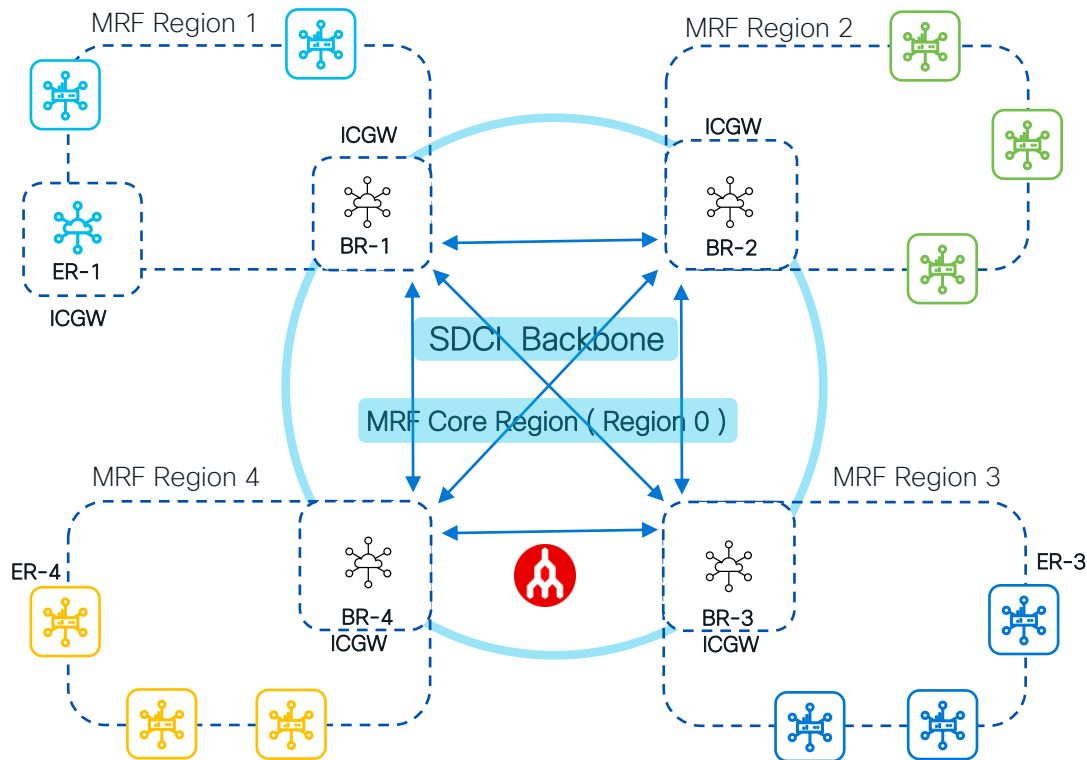
# Secondary Region – Direct vs Indirect Tunnels



## Use-cases

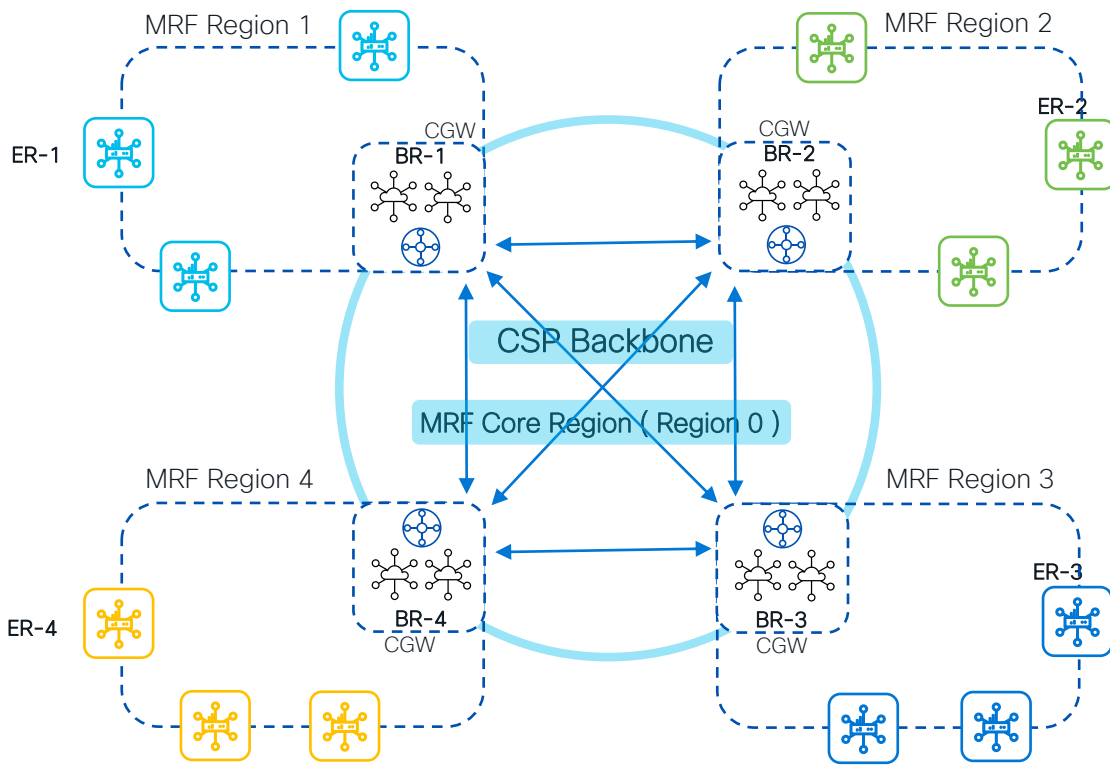
Send non-critical traffic using cheap links rather than using optimal Middle-mile bandwidth or PAYG links

# MRF with SDCI: ( Megaport )



- Create one or more ICGW as BR for a Region.
- Full-Mesh connectivity between the Border-Router ICGWs is recommended. ( but not required)
- Appropriate ICGW instance license and VXC licenses, supplemental licenses should be available.
- ICGW can be BR or ER role in a topology.
- The ICGW c8kv version should be 17.8 and higher for MRF support
- Equinix not supported.

## MRF with Multicloud:



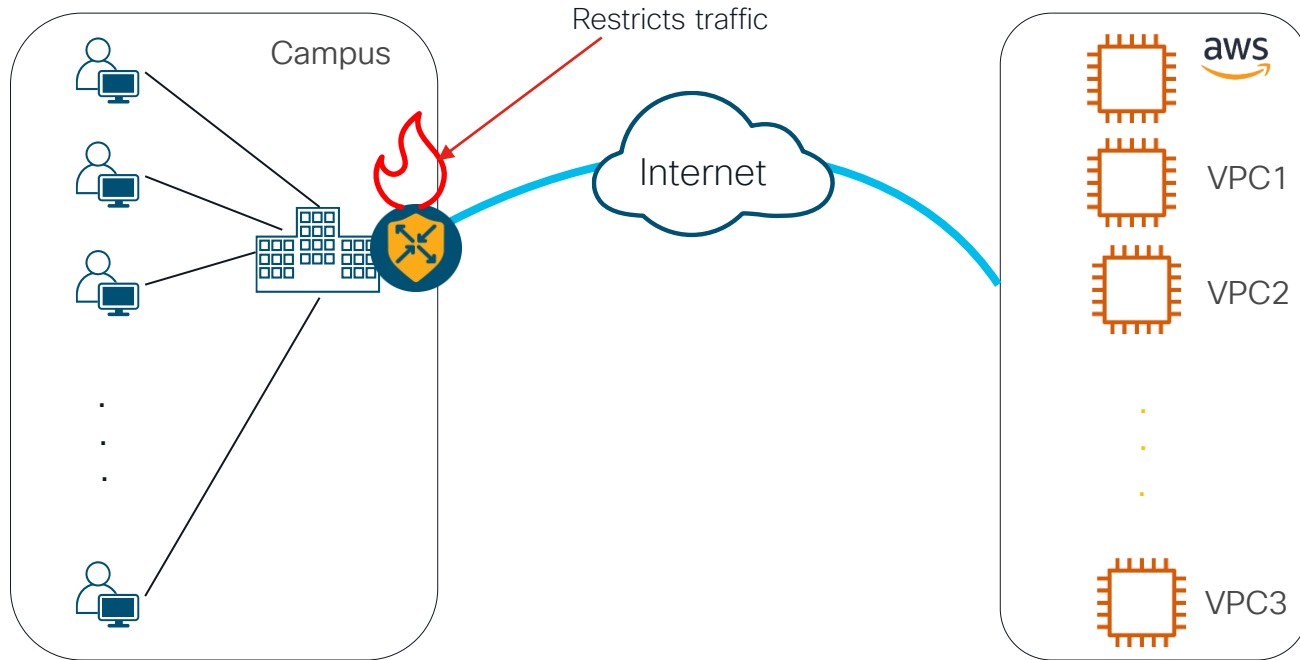
- Enable CSP-Specific requirement for full-mesh S2S (Core) connectivity.
- Both the SD-WAN router instance in the CGW should cater to the same region.
- Supports AWS, Azure, GCP, AWS GovCloud, Azure GovCloud.
- The CGW c8kv version should be 17.8 and higher for MRF support

# Some Key Design Asks



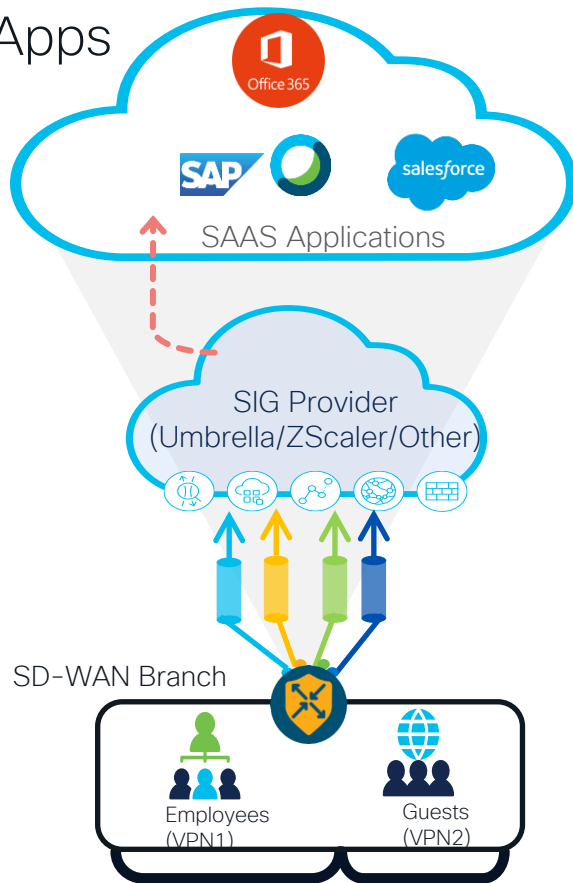
# Ask# 1

Enterprise customer wants to extend multiple LAN segments into AWS cloud platform to access cloud hosted workloads



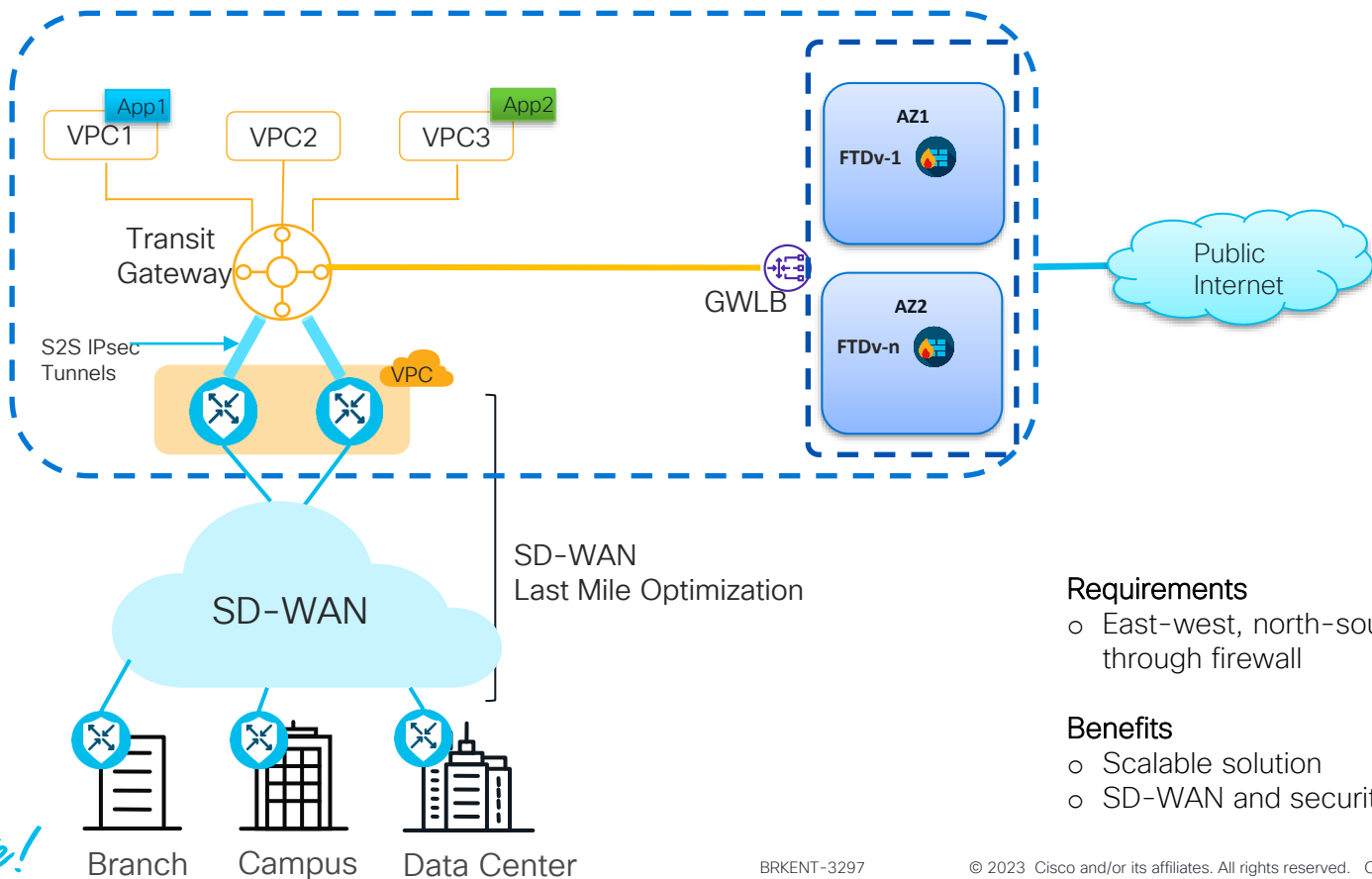
## Ask# 2

A Healthcare customer wants to leverage Cloud based Security (SIG) to access SAAS Apps



# Ask# 3

A Finance customer wants to leverage 3<sup>rd</sup> party firewall (Example: FTDv) for East-West traffic



## Requirements

- East-west, north-south traffic must go through firewall

## Benefits

- Scalable solution
- SD-WAN and security from one hand

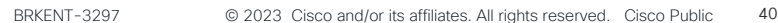
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Design option 1: Host VPC route points to GLWB endpoint

10.111.0.0/16	local	
0.0.0.0/0	vpce-XYZ	FW-Endpoint-Service

Design option 2: Host VPC route points to AWS TGW

10.111.0.0/16	local	
0.0.0.0/0	tgw-XYZ	AWS Transit Gateway





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