Cisco SD-Access – Connecting Multiple Sites in a Single Fabric Domain

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- 2 Years Lead Network Engineer for 15-site Health Care network in North Carolina
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Cisco SD-Access Basic Concepts

Cisco SD-Access Transit Types

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- Backup Internet

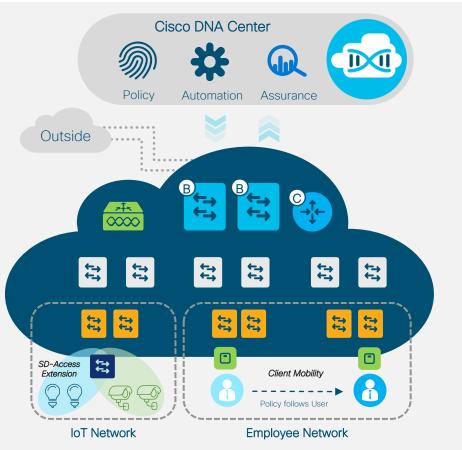
SD-Access Basic Concepts





Cisco Software Defined Access

The Foundation for Cisco's Intent Based Network





One Automated Network Fabric

Single fabric for Wired and Wireless with full automation



Identity-Based Policy and Segmentation

Policy definition decoupled from VLAN and IP address



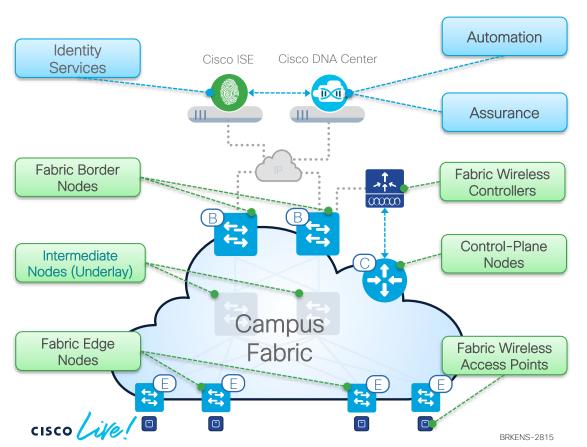
Al-Driven Insights and Telemetry

Analytics and visibility into User and Application experience



Cisco SD-Access

Fabric Roles and Terminology



- Network Automation Simple GUI and APIs for intent-based Automation of wired and wireless fabric devices
- Network Assurance Data Collectors analyze Endpoint to Application flows and monitor fabric network status
- Identity Services NAC & ID Services (e.g. ISE) for dynamic Endpoint to Group mapping and Policy definition
- Control-Plane Nodes Map System that manages Endpoint to Device relationships
- Fabric Border Nodes A fabric device (e.g. Core) that connects External L3 network(s) to the SD-Access fabric
- Fabric Edge Nodes A fabric device (e.g. Access or Distribution) that connects Wired Endpoints to the SD-Access fabric
- Fabric Wireless Controller A fabric device (WLC) that connects Fabric APs and Wireless Endpoints to the SD-Access fabric

Fabric Sites: Single or Multiple





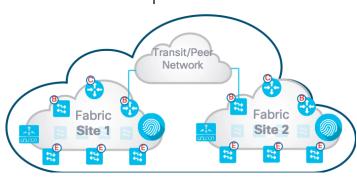
Fabric Sites: Single vs Multiple

Single Site



- Includes CP,B,FE, Fabric WLC and ISE PSN
- Benefits
 - Scalability
 - Resiliency
 - Survivability
- Fabric Site may cover a single physical location, multiple locations, or just a subset of a location

Multiple Sites



- Includes One or more Fabric sites with Transit network (IP or SD-Access)
- Managed by Single DNAC cluster
- End to End Segmentation between Fabric Sites needs to be considered

Cisco DNAC System Scale

Parameters	DN2-HW-APL	DN2-HW-APL-L	DN2-HW-APL-XL
No of Devices (Switch/Router/WLC)	1000	2000	5000 / 10,000*
No of Access Points	4000	6000	12000
No of Endpoints (Concurrent)	25,000	40,000	100,000 / 300,000*
No of Endpoints (Transient)	75,000	120,000	250,000 / 750,000*
No of endpoints - wired: wireless ratio	Any	Any	Any
No of Fabric Sites	500	1000	2000
No of Virtual Networks per Fabric Site	64/Site	64/site	256/site
No of Fabric Devices per Fabric/site	500/site	600/site	1200/site
No if IP Pools	100/site	300/site	1000/site

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Cisco SD-Access Transit Types



Transit/Peer Network Types

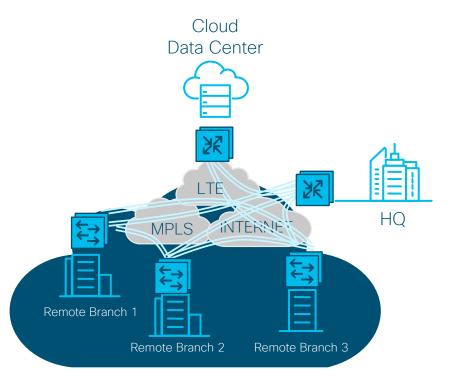
Transit/Peer Network type include

- IP-Based Transit Leverages a traditional IP-based (VRF-LITE, MPLS) network, which requires remapping of VRFs and SGTs between sites.
- Cisco SD-Access Transit Enables a native Cisco SD-Access (VXLAN,SGT) fabric, with Transit Control Plane Nodes for inter-site communication.



Transit Connectivity

Why IP Based Transit?





Customers already using existing WAN or have adopted SD-WAN



Unable to carry VXLAN header in WAN

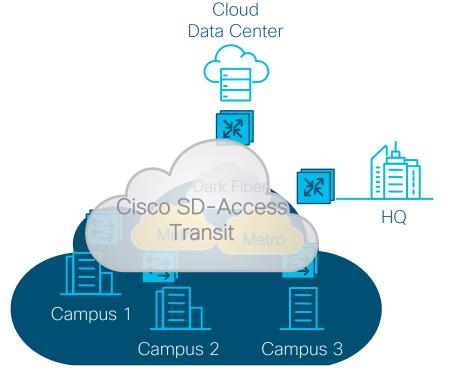
Typical use cases

- o Internet Handoff
- o P2P IPSEC encryption
- Policy Based Routing
- WAN Accelerators
- o Traffic engineering
- Mobile Backhaul LTE



Cisco SD-Access Multi-Site Fabric

When to use Cisco SD-Access Transit? - Distributed Campus/Metro Deployments





Higher MTU support

Typical use cases

- Native unified policy across the locations and end-to-end segmentation using VNs and SGTs
- Smaller and Isolated fault domains
- Resiliency and Scalability

IP as Transit/Peer Network



IP Transit / Peer Network

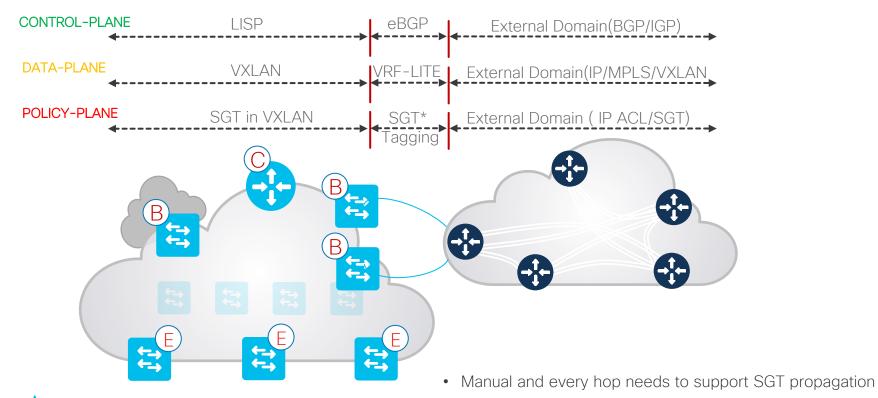
Network Plane Analysis Perspectives

- Control-Plane: How routes / prefixes are communicated
- 2. Data-Plane: Which encapsulation method is used to carry data
- 3. Policy Plane: How group and segmentation information is communicated
- 4. Management Plane: How Management Infrastructure is Integrated



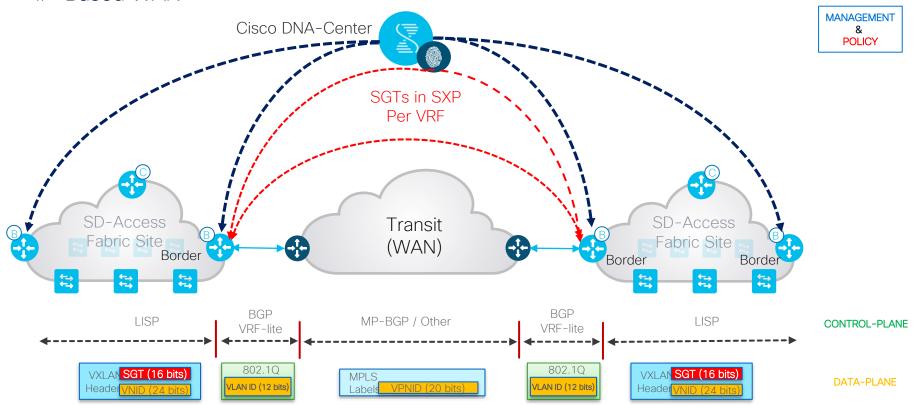
Communicating to Peer Network - IP

Control/Data/Policy Plane



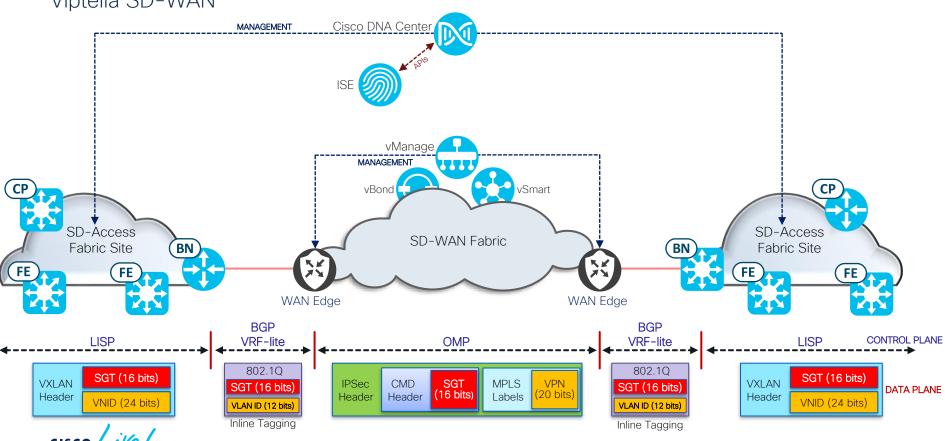
Inter-Connecting Fabrics/Sites

IP-Based WAN

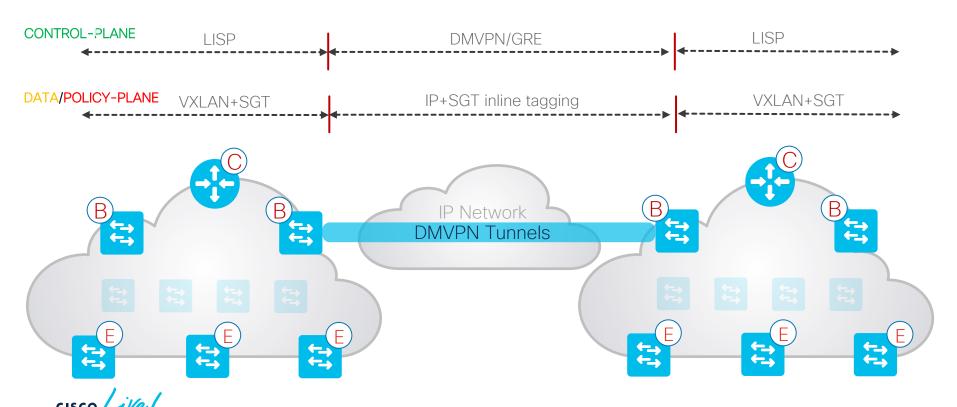


Inter-Connecting Fabrics/Sites

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Inter-Connecting Fabrics/Sites DMVPN

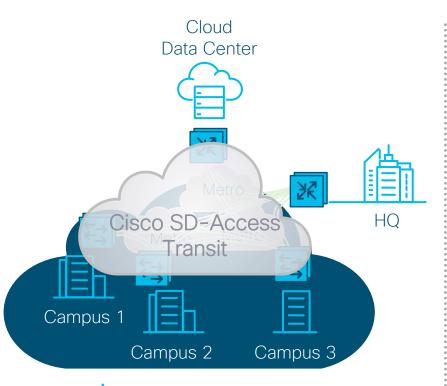


SD-Access as Transit



Cisco SD-Access Transit Multi-Site

Consistent Segmentation and Policy across sites

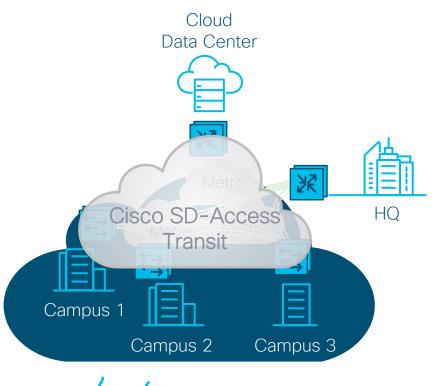


Cisco SD-Access Transit Multi-Site Advantages:

- End-to-end Segmentation and policy
- Smaller or isolated Failure Domains
- Horizontally scaled networks
- Single view of Entire Network
- Elimination of Per Deviceat every site*

Cisco SD-Access Multi-Site

Key Considerations

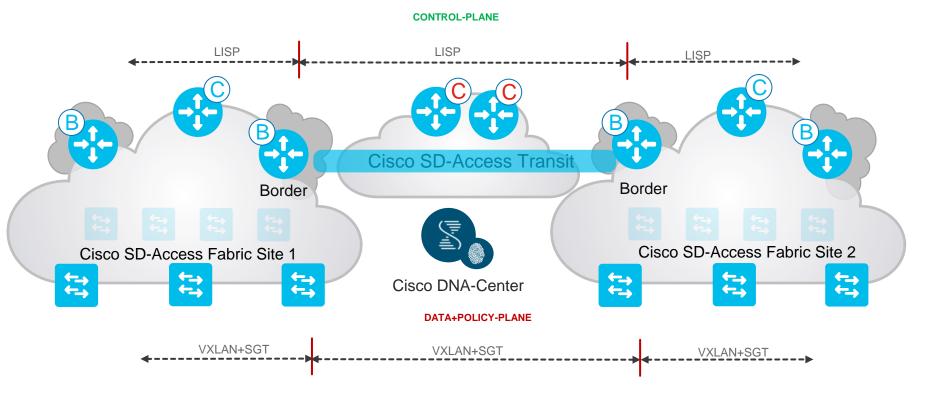


Cisco SD-Access Transit Multi-Site Key Considerations:

Should accommodate the MTU setting used for SD-Access in the campus network

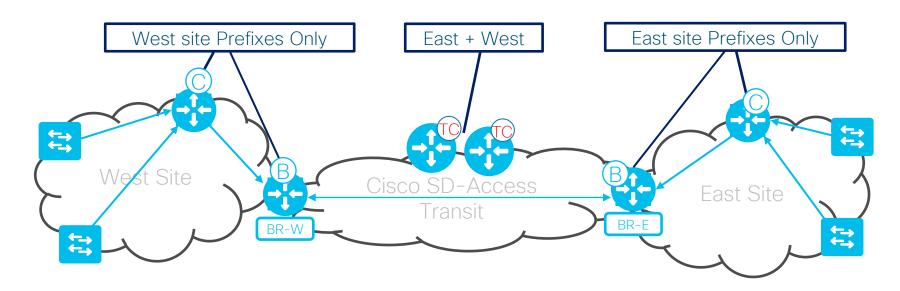


Cisco SD-Access Multi-Site - SD-Access Transit





Cisco SD-Access Transit Control Plane for Global Scale



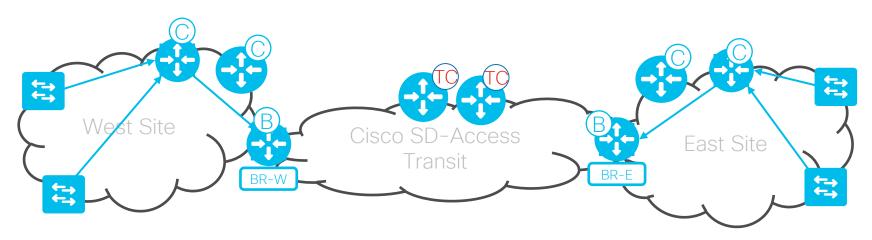
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- Each site only maintains state for in-site end-points.
- Off site traffic follows default to transit.
- Survivability, each site is a fully autonomous resiliency domain
- Each Site has its own unique subnets



Cisco SD-Access Multi-Site

Transit Control Plane Deployment Location



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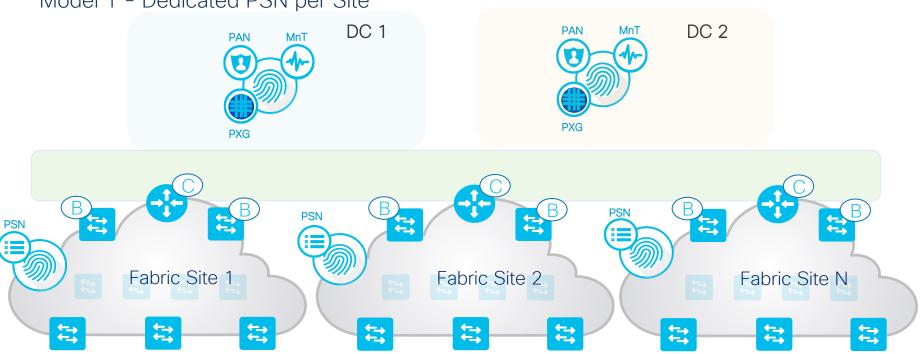
- > Device must be dedicated to the transit control plane node role.
- Doesn't have to be physically deployed in Transit Area
- Ideally, device should not be in the data forwarding (transit path) between sites.
- > Requires IP connectivity in the underlay from site borders at all fabric sites
- Deploy 2 Transit Control Plane nodes for redundancy and load balancing.



Cisco SD-Access Multi-Site VN across Multiple Fabric Sites Cisco DNA-Center PSN **PSN** Fabric Site 1 Fabric Site 2 Fabric Site N () ←→ (→ **←**→ ←→ = ţ; ţ; **VN-IOT VN-LAB VN-Employee**

ISE Distributed Deployment

Model 1 - Dedicated PSN per Site



- PSN Nodes dedicated to every site
- Maximum of 2 PSN's per site
- PAN's are centralized in Data Center

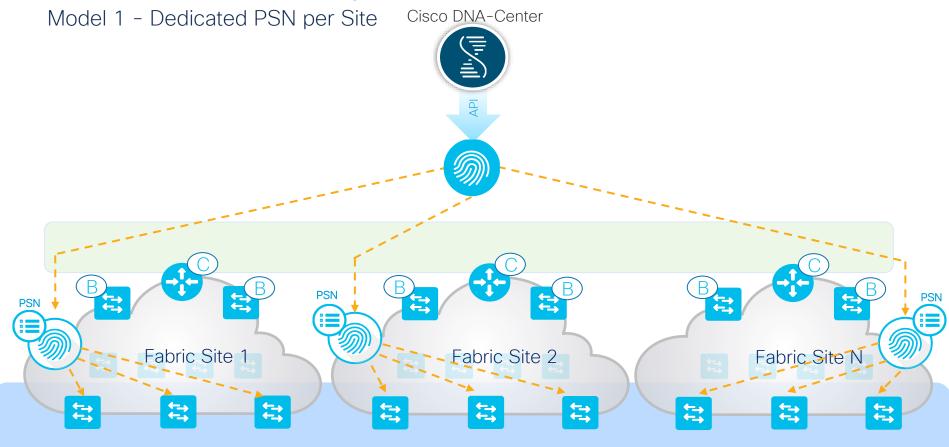
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Model 2 - PSN Clusters with Load-Balancers DC 2 DC 1 PAN MnT **PSN** Fabric Site 1 Fabric Site 2 Fabric Site N **₽**

- PSN's are behind a dedicated Load Balancer
- DNAC site settings point to Load Balancer IP

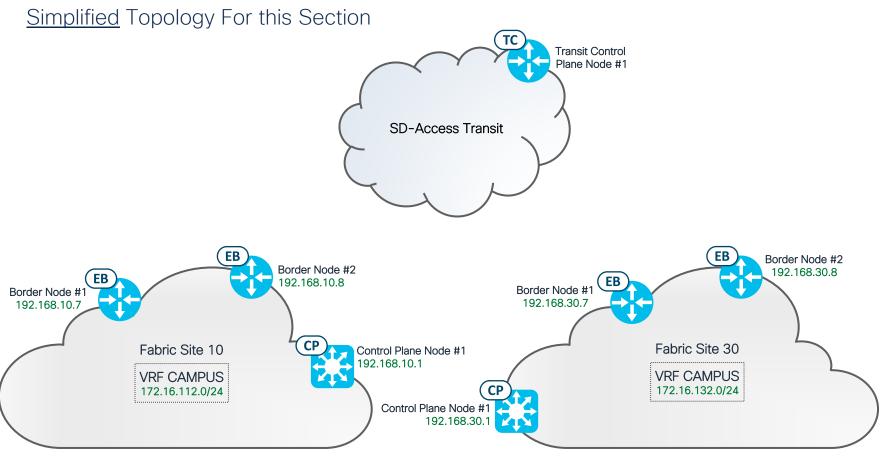


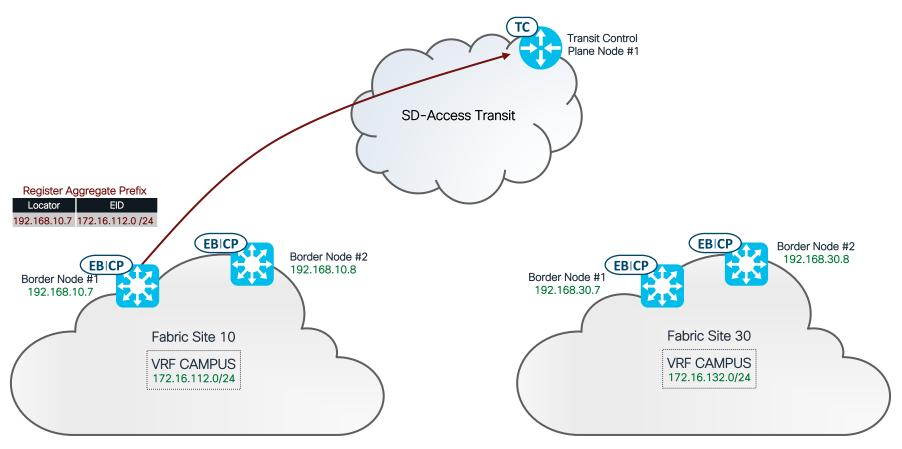
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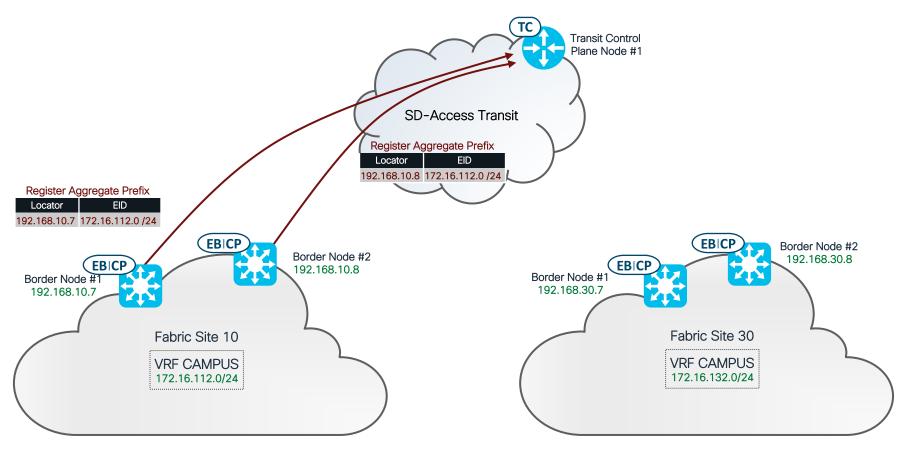


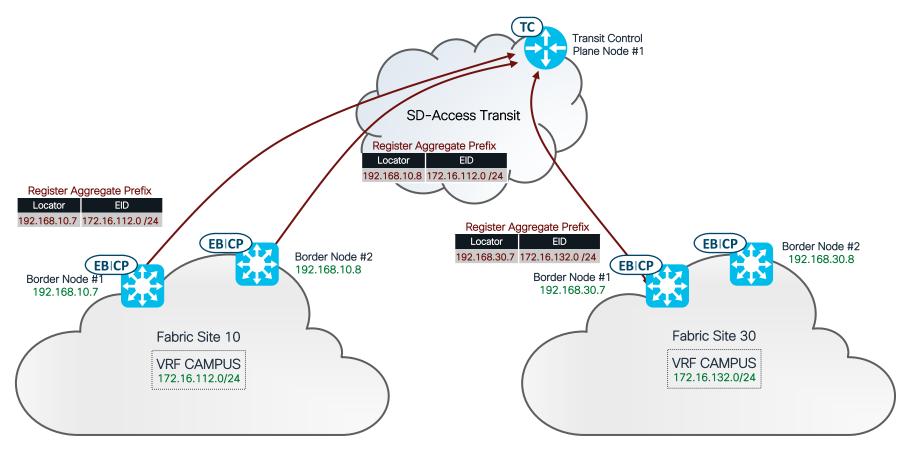
SD-Access Transit LISP Pub/Sub Registration

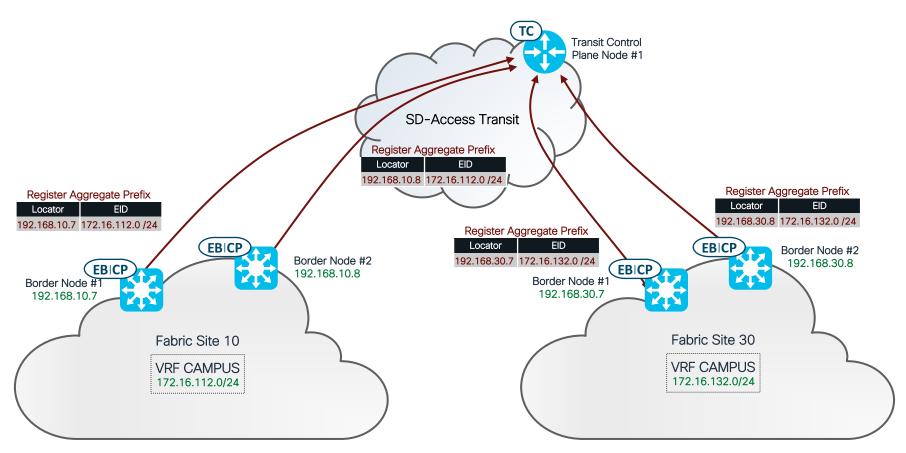


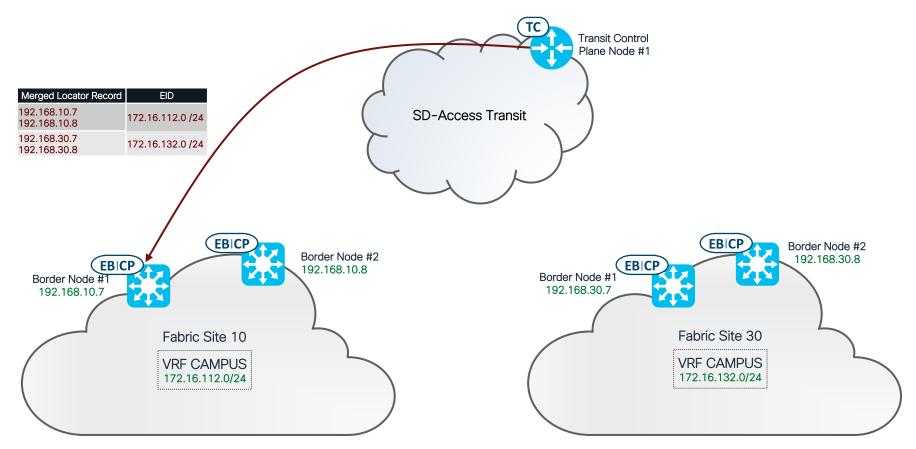


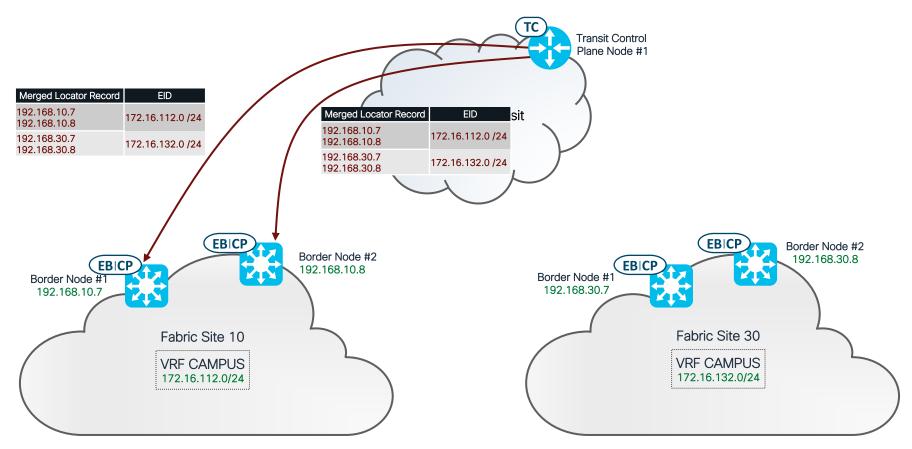


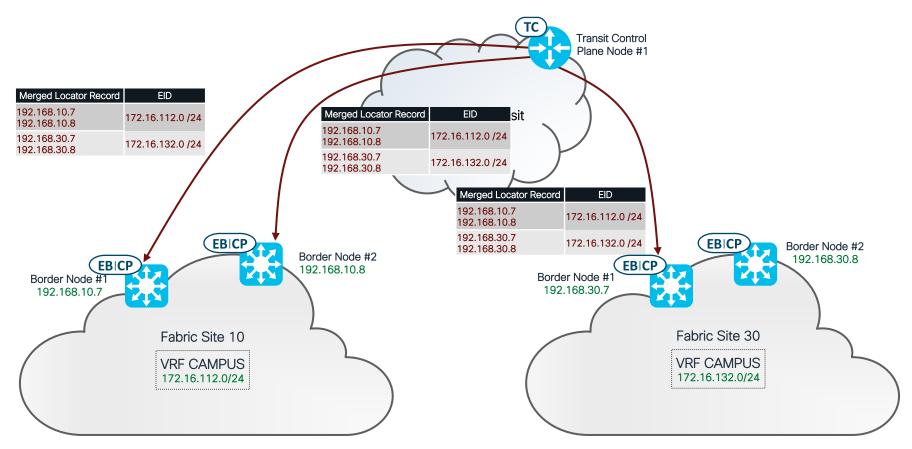


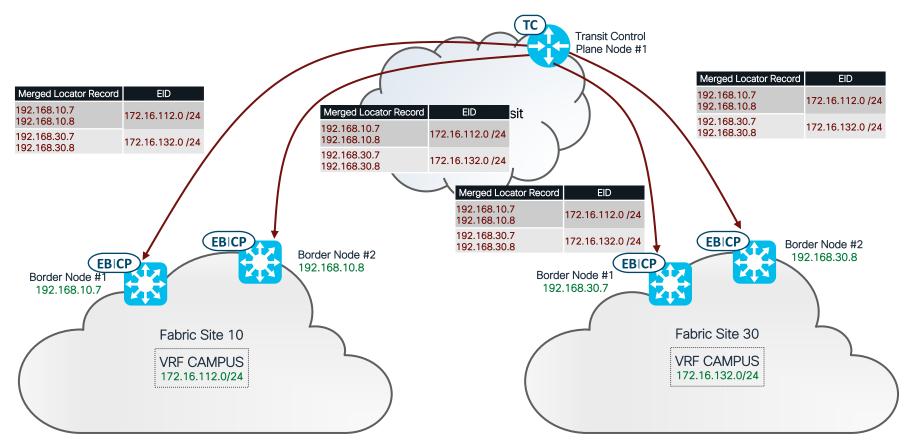






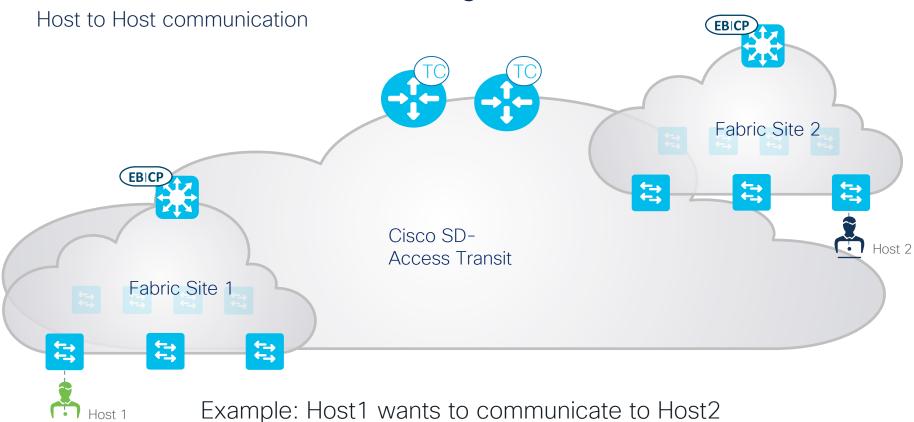




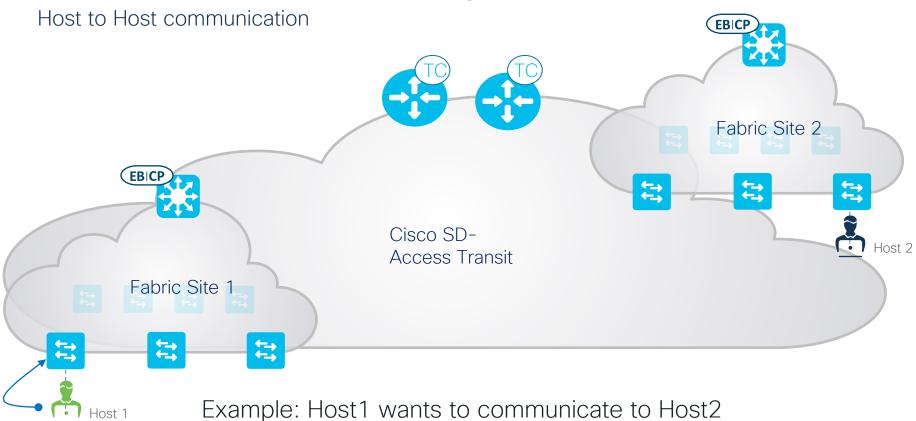


SD-Access Transit Packet Walk with LISP Pub/Sub

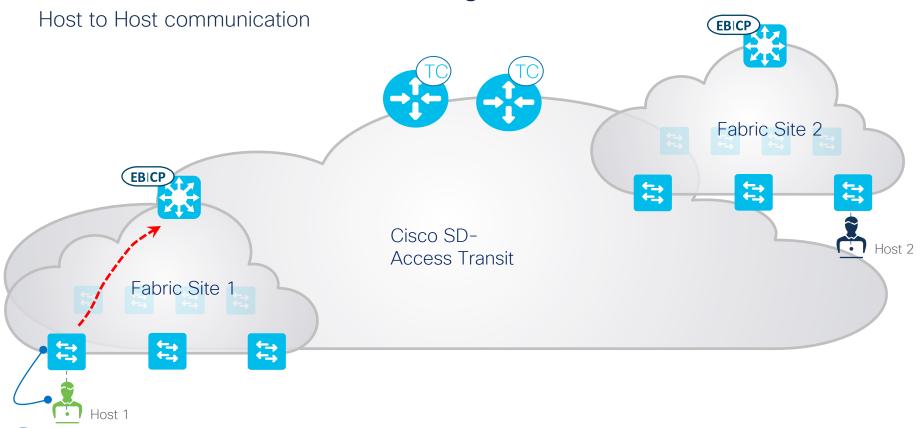




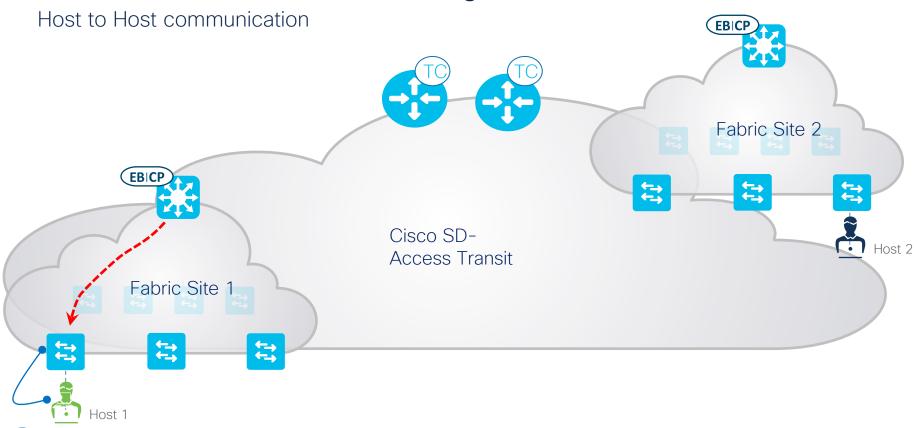




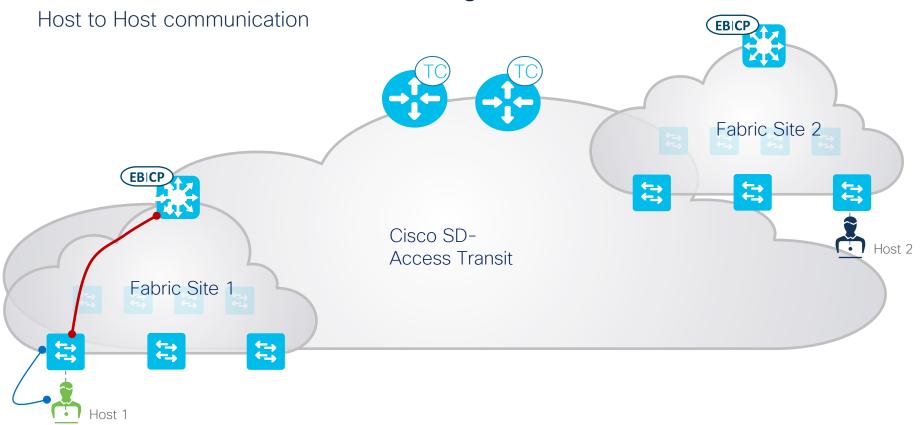




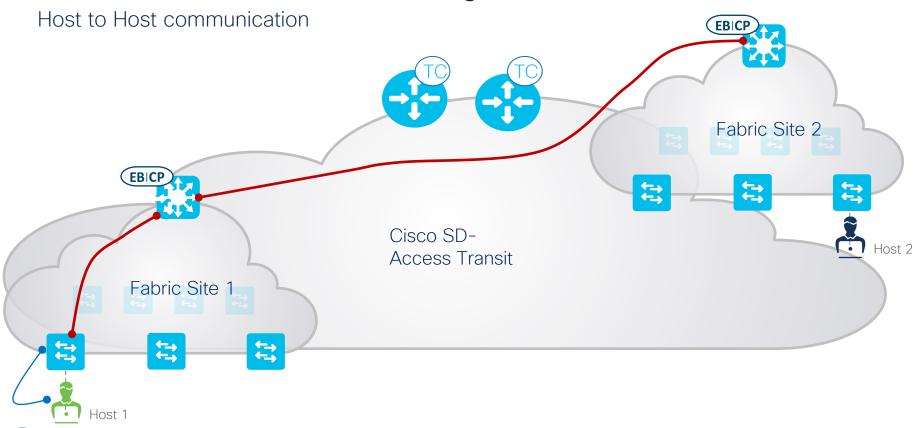
Edge Node in Fabric Site 1 sends a map-request to local Control Plane Node for host 2 IP in Fabric Site 2



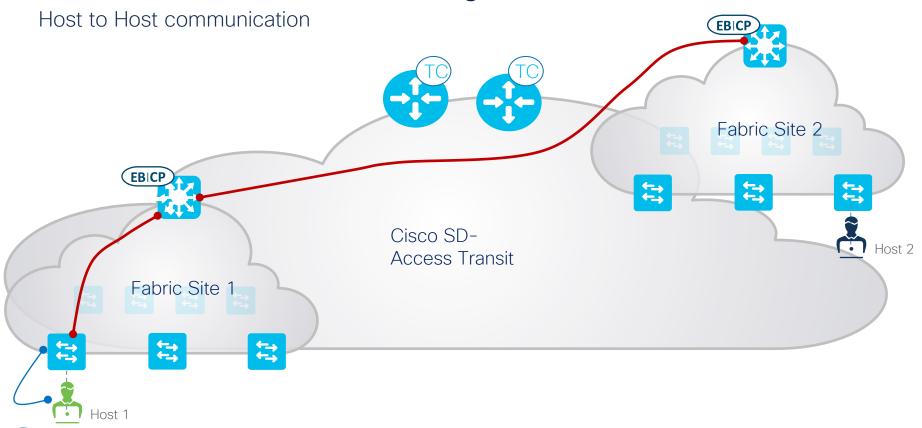
Fabric Control Plane Node in Fabric Site 1 sends a Negative map-reply(NMR) informing the Edge Node that it does not have information about Host 2 BRKENS-2815 © 2023 Cisco and/or its affiliates. All rights reserved. Cisco Public



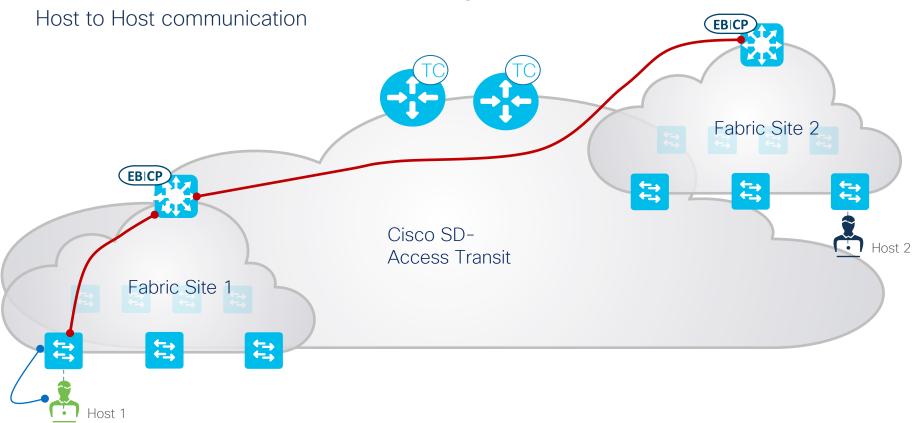
Traffic is VxLAN encapsulated from the Edge Node in Fabric Site 1 to the Site-local Border Node.



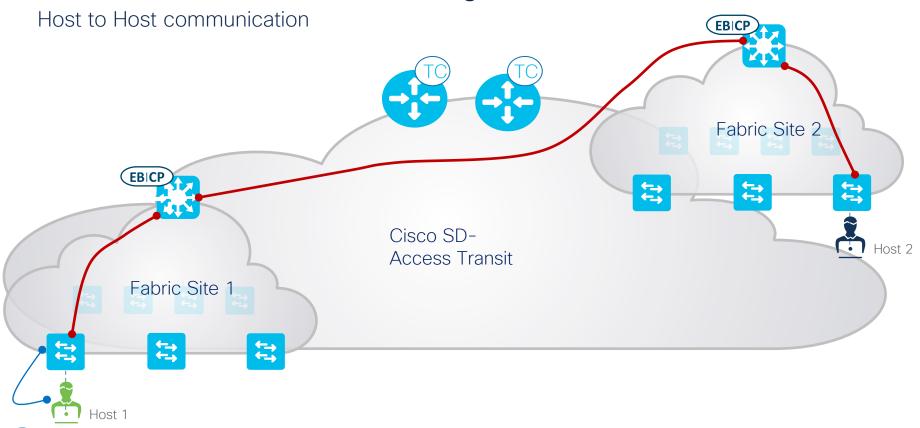
Traffic is forwarded from the Border Node in Fabric Site 1 to Fabric Site 2 using VXLAN encapsulation with SGT tags encoded. BRKENS-2815



The Border Node in Fabric Site 2 will query the local Control Plane Node for the destination host.



The Border Node in Fabric Site 2 will receive the mapping information from the local Control Plane Node with the destination address of the Edge Node in Fabric Site 2



Traffic is forwarded from fabric border node in fabric site 2 to the fabric edge node in fabric site 2 using VXLAN encap with SGT tags encoded

SD-Access Transit Remote Internet with LISP Pub/Sub



SD-Access Transit Remote Internet with LISP Pub/Sub

Designating the Border(s) Connected to the Internet

Layer 3 Handoff

Layer 2 Handoff

- Enable Layer-3 Handoff
- Add Transit Site
- > VIE_TRANS

Transit Control Plane Node

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Only selected for SD-Access Transit sites that are connected to unknown networks (for example, Internet)

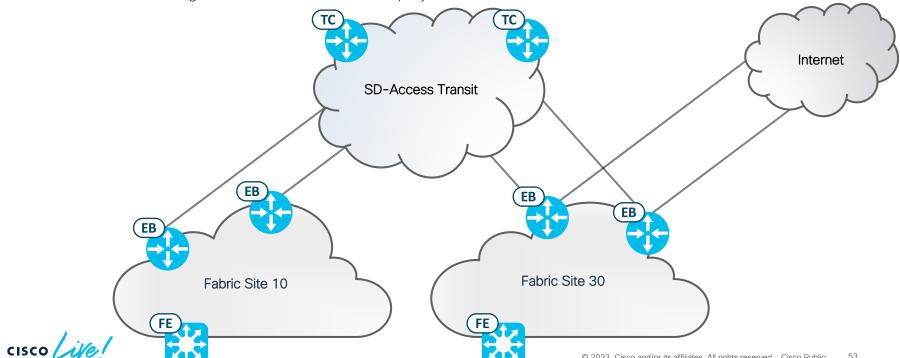
This site provides internet access to other sites through SD-Access.



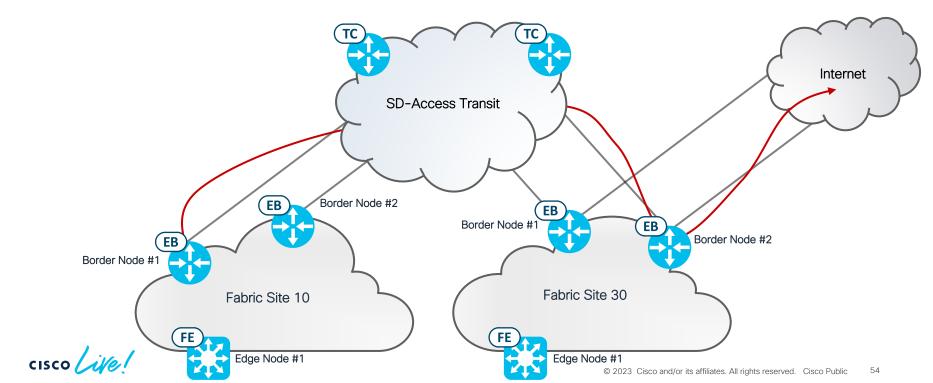
SD-Access Transit Remote Internet with LISP Pub/Sub

Topology and Description

- Two Fabric Sites connected to an SD-Access Transit.
- Fabric Site 30 local Internet.
- Fabric Site 30 is sharing Internet access with the deployment.



 Border Node #1 uses Internet available through Fabric Site 30. Either of the Border Nodes in Fabric Site 30 will be used.



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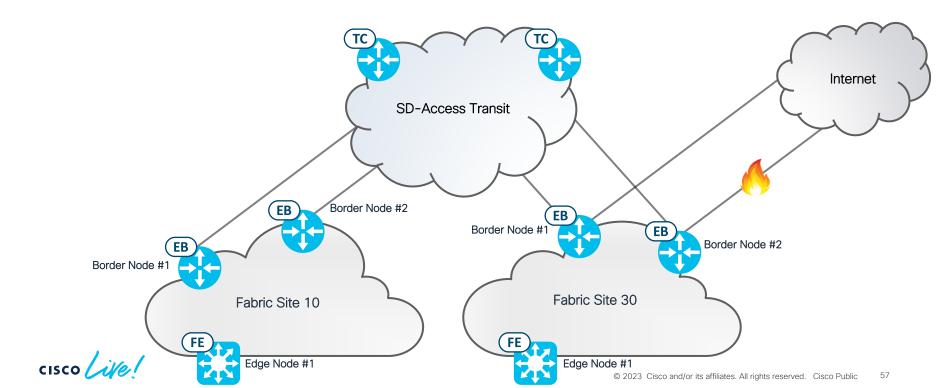
• Border Node #2 uses Internet available through Fabric Site 30. Either of the Border Nodes in Fabric Site 30 will be used. Internet **SD-Access Transit** Border Node #2 Border Node #1 Border Node #2 Border Node #1 Fabric Site 30 Fabric Site 10 Edge Node #1 Edge Node #1 © 2023 Cisco and/or its affiliates. All rights reserved. Cisco Public

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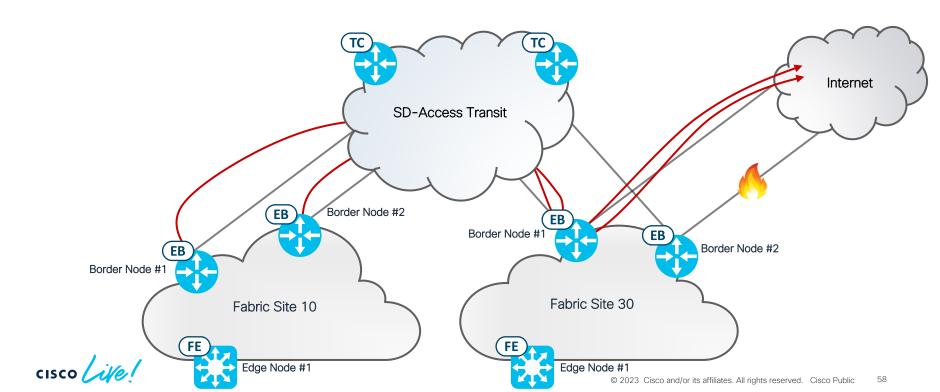
• Border Node #2 uses Internet available through Fabric Site 30. Either of the Border Node in Fabric Site 30 will be used. • Edge Node #1 in Fabric Site 10 will use te to reach the Internet. Internet **SD-Access Transit** Border Node #2 EB Border Node #1 Border Node #2 Roorbber Nikobbe ##11 192.168.10.7 Fabric Site 30 Fabric Site 10 Edge Node #1 Edge Node #1

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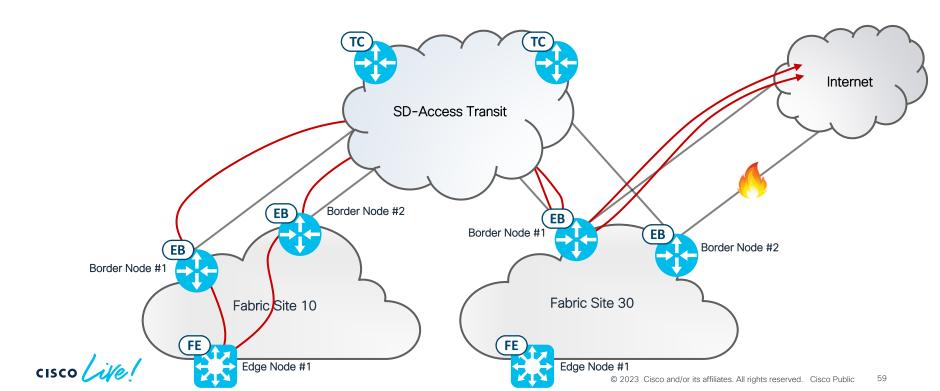
• Border Node #2 in Fabric Site 30 loses the default route.



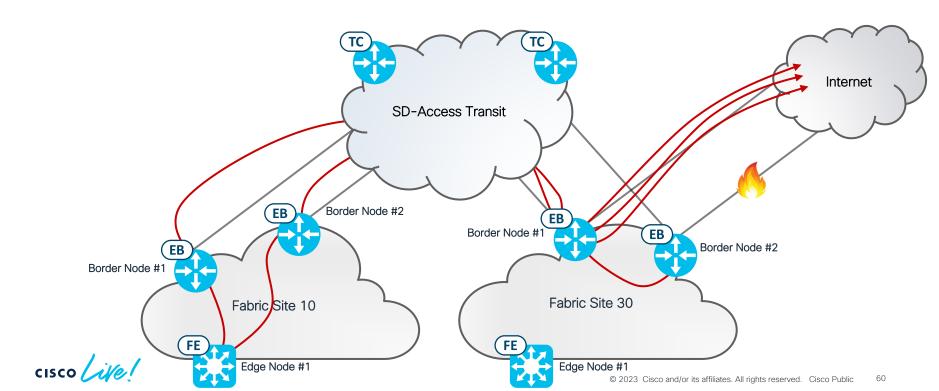
• Both Border Nodes in Fabric Site 10 will use Border Node #1 in Fabric Site 30 to reach the Internet.



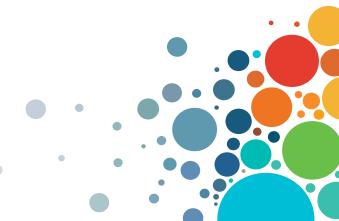
• Edge Node #1 in Fabric Site 10 will continue to use either site-local Border Node to reach the Internet.



• Border Node #2 in Fabric Site 30 will use Border Node #1 in Fabric Site 30 to reach the Internet.



SD-Access Transit Backup Internet Access with LISP Pub/Sub

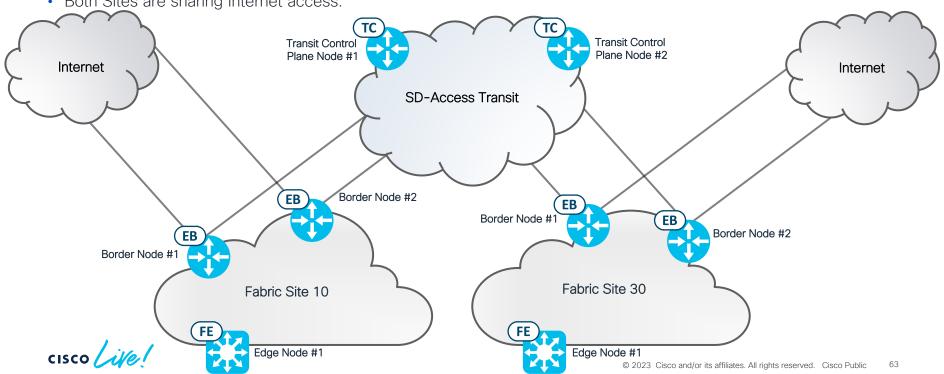


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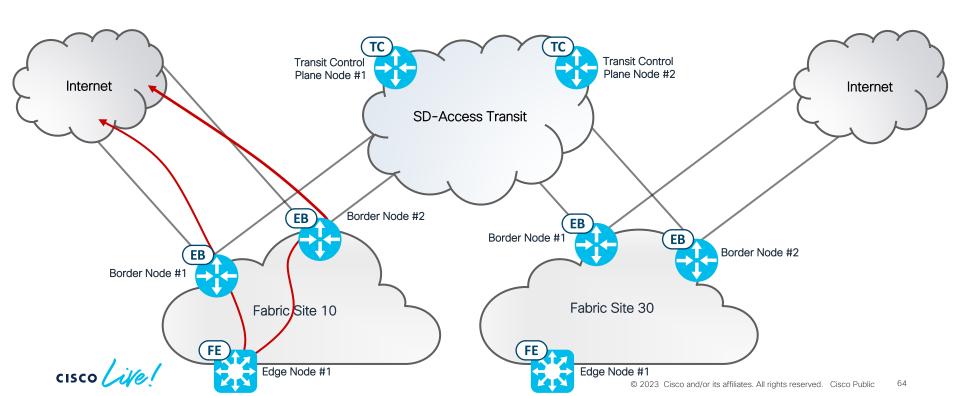
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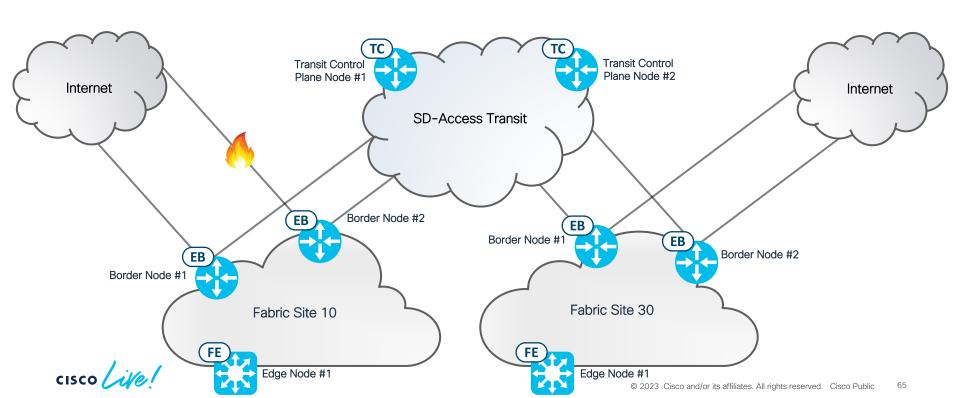
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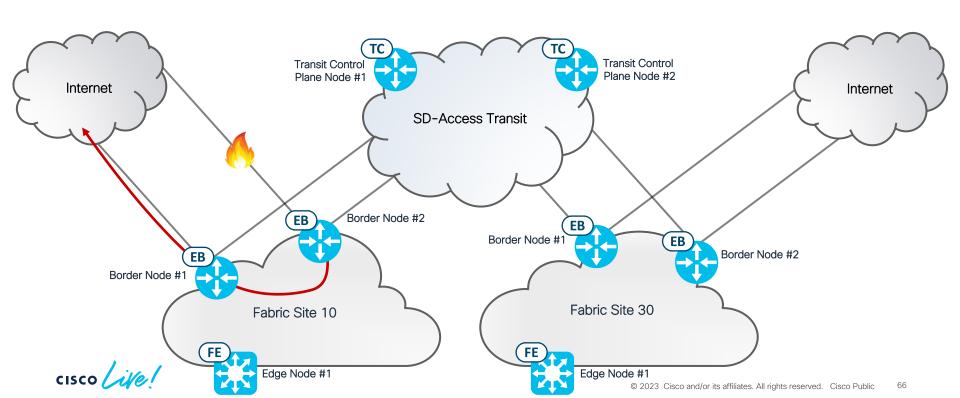
• Edge Node #1 will initially use either site-local Border Node to reach the Internet.



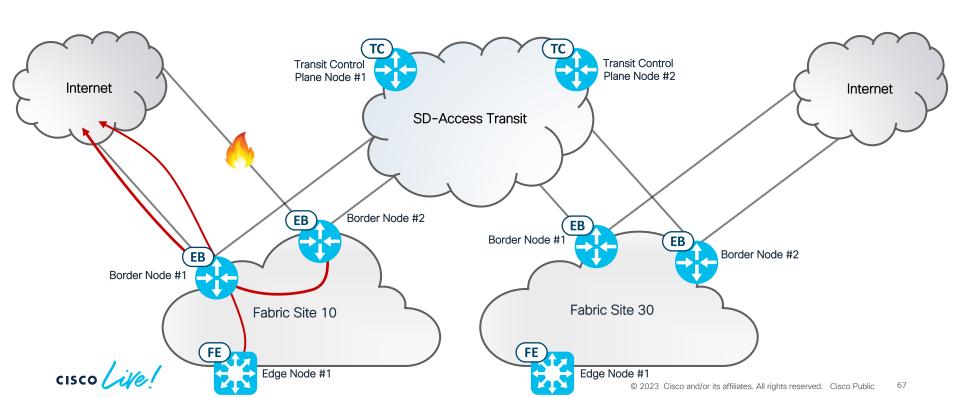
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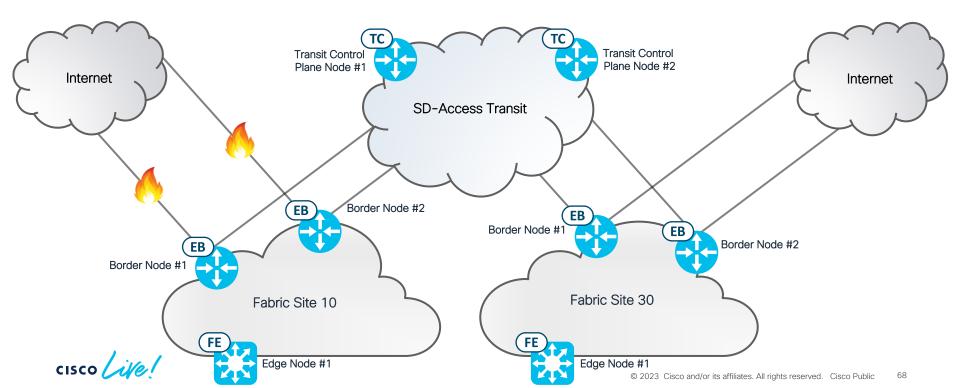
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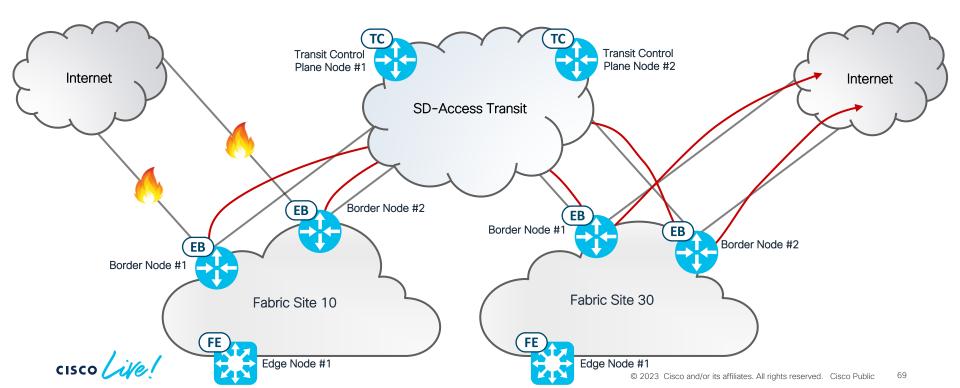
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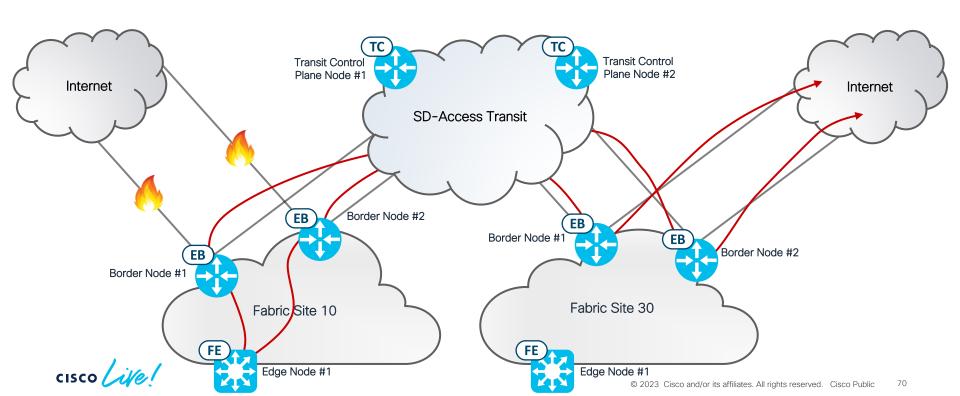
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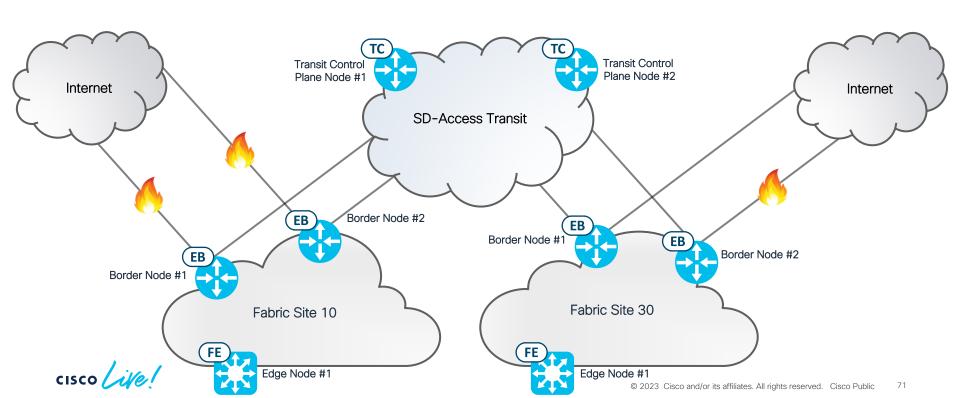
- The Border Nodes in Fabric Site 10 will use the Border Nodes in Site 30 for Internet Access.
- Either of the Border Nodes in Fabric Site 30 will be used.



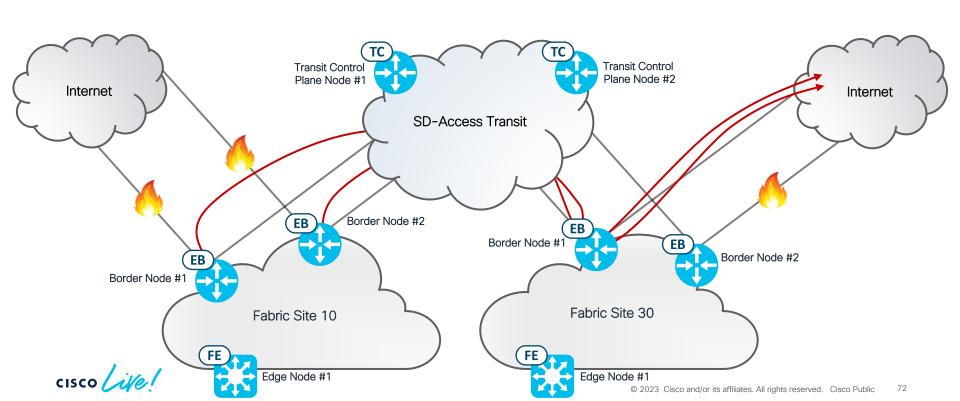
• Edge Node #1 in Fabric Site 10 will both site-local Border Nodes for Internet Access.



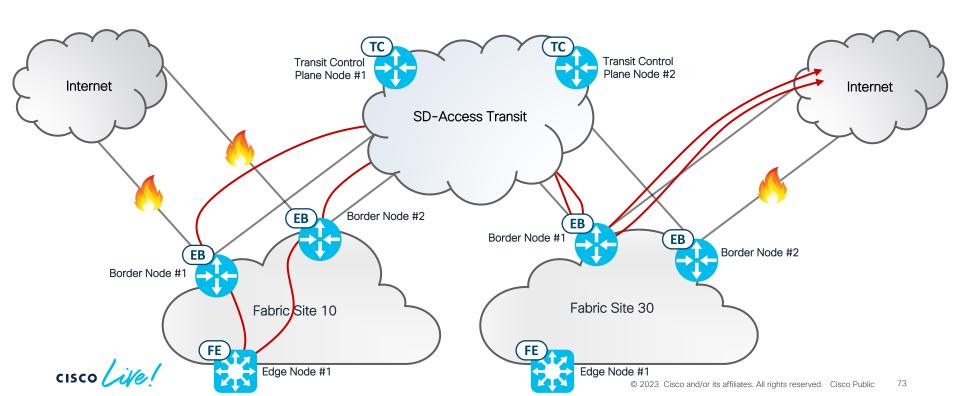
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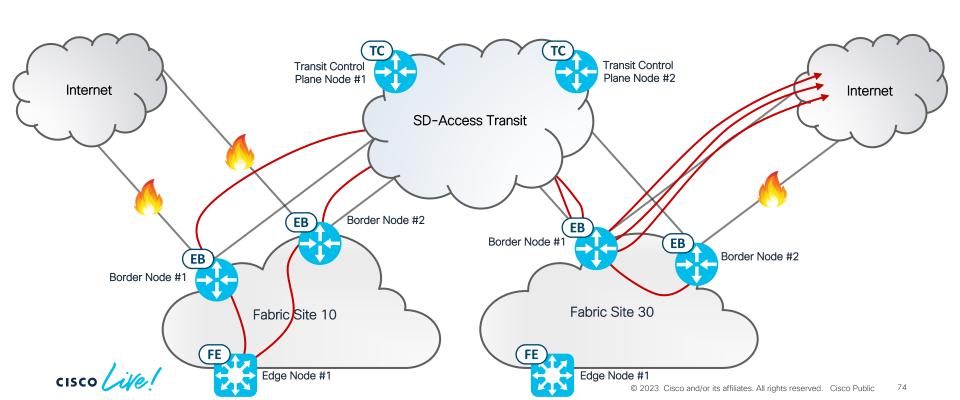
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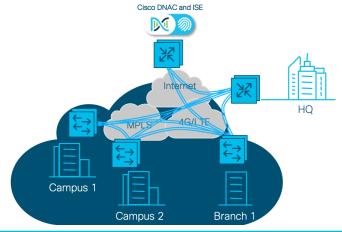


Summary



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Cisco SD-Access Multi-Site fabric







Flexible and Scalable





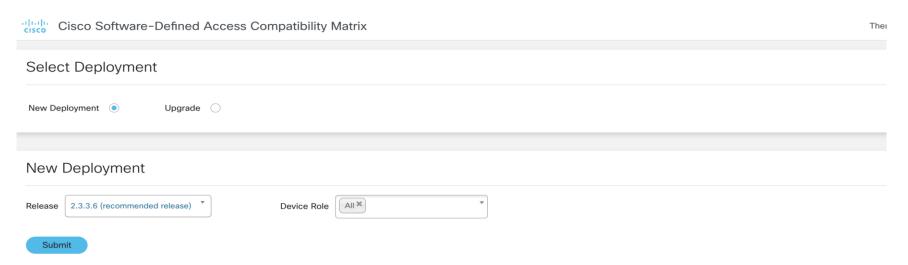


Flexible WAN options



SD-Access Support

Digital Platforms for your Cisco Digital Network Architecture



SD-Access Compatibility Matrix for Cisco DNA Center 2.3.3.6 (recommended release)

Device Role	Device Series	Device Model	Recommended Release	Supported Release
	Cisco Catalyst 9300 Series Switches	C9300-24T	IOS XE 17.6.4	IOS XE 17.9.x
		C9300-24P		IOS XE 17.8.x
		C9300-24U		IOS XE 17.7.x
		C9300-24UX		IOS XE 17.6.x
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