

# Chrosswork Hierarchical Controller

Cross layer-vendor-domain Automation

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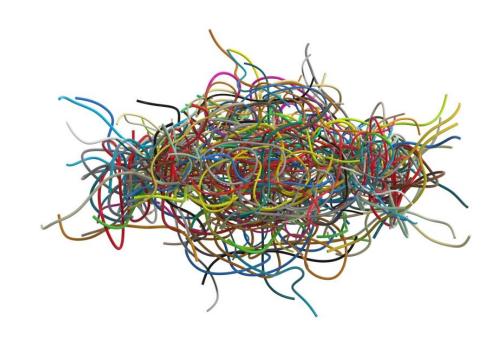


## Agenda

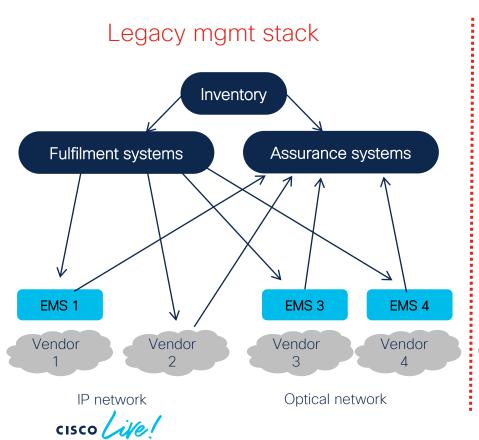
- Introduction
- Defining a Hierarchical Controller
- Compliant with Industry Standards
- Introducing HCO
- Differentiation
- Conclusion
- Short Demo

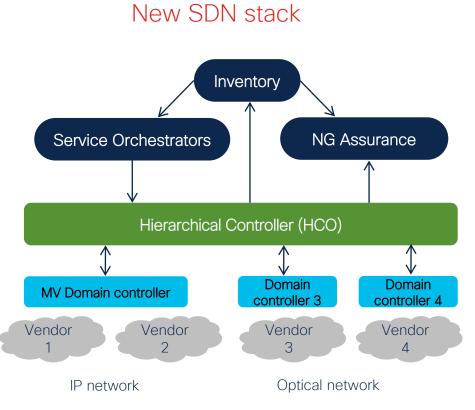
## Why the need for hierarchical control?

- All service providers networks are complex
  - Multi Layer
  - Multi Domain
  - Multi Vendor
- Demands on the network are ever increasing
  - 5G services
  - On-demand expectations
  - · Rapid data growth
  - Architecture shifts



## Legacy Network Management vs. SDN Hierarchy



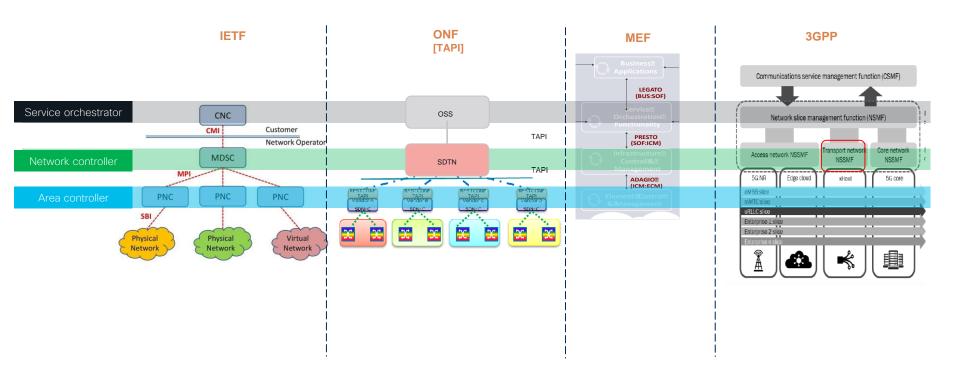


## SDN Network architecture Industry and operators

Service Orchestrators, Assurance, Inventory, RCA... Notifications via REST Access NFV Crosswork Hierarchical Network Controller Controller **Orchestrators** IETF/TAPI RestConf , Rest, Notifications gRPC SDN controllers SDN controllers SDN controllers SDN controllers SDN controllers Rest PCEP NetConf BGP-LS MDT gNMI Rest TL-1 Microwave WDM/OTN IP/MPLS/Ethernet **Data Centers** Mobile/Fixed/CPE Rest TL-1 allalla allalla iuniper. CISCO Microsoft aws Google ADVA Vinfinera FUITSU NOKIA ERICSSON HUAWEI



## Aligned to standards











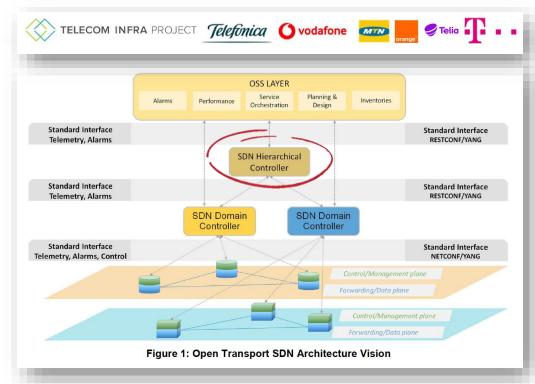








- HCO is the interface between the OSS world and the network
- HCO has complete network visibility
- HCO closes the loop for network functions (remediation, optimization)
- HCO abstracts the network towards the OSS.



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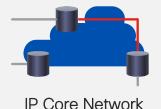
## The challenge: Rigid and fragmented networks

- Transport networks are

   a patchwork of technologies, domains,
   layers, and vendor turfs
- Most still rely on a siloed, highly manual, and error-prone operational apparatus
- Current network data is fiendishly difficult to collect, correlate, and utilize







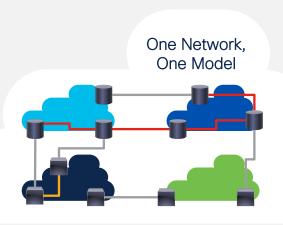


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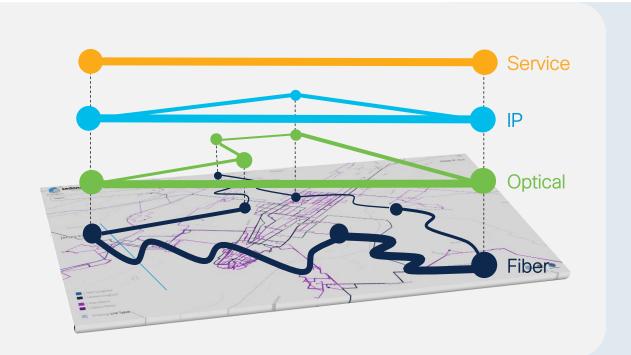
## Crosswork Hierarchical Controller puts this puzzle together

- Automatically acquire domain-specific network data
- Normalize into network structure
- Understand how domains in one layer are connected
- Understand how layers are connected to each other
- Analyze the network to identify issues
- Visualize it
- Automate it





## Creating the ultimate network data source: Fiber-to-service visibility



#### Complete

Multilayer, multivendor, and multidomain topology, traffic, and services (SDN and legacy)

#### Current

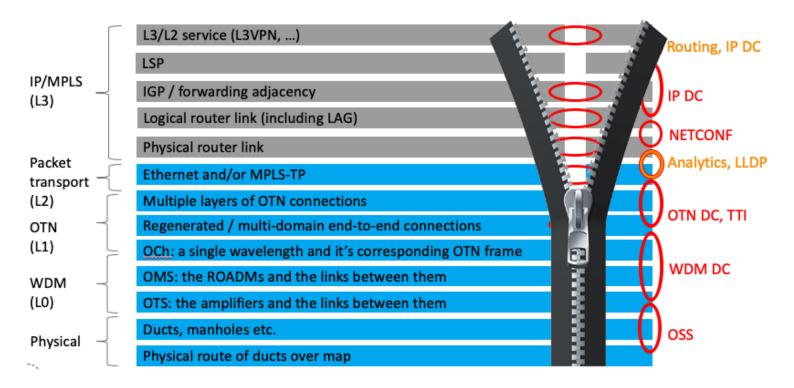
automatically and ongoingly discovered – directly from the network

#### Correlated

dynamically deducing crossdomain connectivity

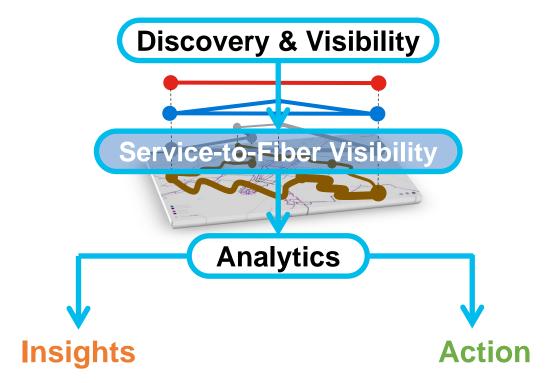


## Inter-domain / inter-layer stitching





We Apply the Data to Transform Network Operation



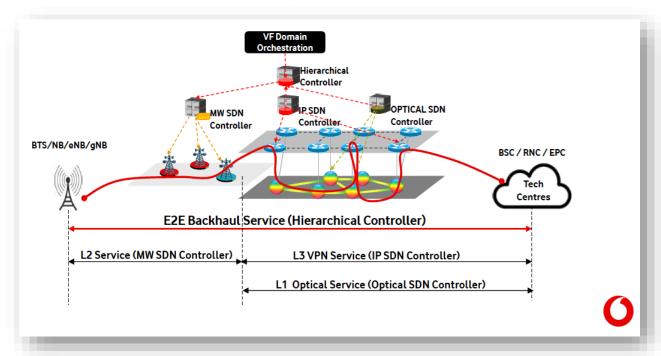
Inventory validation
Diversity assurance
Live auditing
Network anomalies
Policy compliance

Multi-layer provisioning
Bandwidth on demand
SRLG sharing
Multi-layer restoration
Disaster recovery



## Manage all Services from a Single Platform

- L0-L3 services:
  - WDM
  - OTN
  - ELINE
  - ELAN/ETREE
  - L2VPN(Opt & Packet)
  - L3VPN
- Over any underlay:
  - WDM
  - OTN
  - MPLS-TP
  - Microwave
  - MPLS
  - SR
- Multivendor
- Hybrid services



## Network query language



#### Problem

- · Raw network data model too complex for BI tools
- Costly OSS development due to need to ingest complex network models



#### Solution

### Sedona Hierarchical Query Language (SHQL) Extract complex network data, in a simple, flat structure

- Navigation up and down the layers
- Transform from one object type to another
- · Integrated time machine

#### Usage patterns

- By Crosswork Hierarchical Controller apps
- By users, via reporting app
- Creation of customized, rule-based tags
- Through Hierarchical Controller REST API

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"All core routers":
inventory_item[.type = "ROUTER" and .name contains "CR"]

"All ports of Cisco edge routers":
inventory_item[.type = "ROUTER" and .name contains "ER" and .vendor = "Cisco"] | port

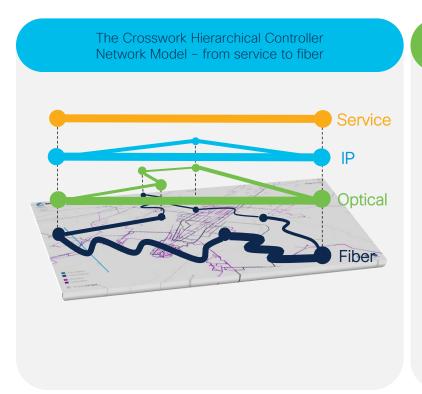
"All logical links going to/from site FRA":
site[.name contains "FRA"] | inventory_item | port | link [.layer = "R_LOGICAL"]

"All WDM links that are down and affect an LSP that is down":
link[.layer = "LSP" and .operStatus = "DOWN"] | downward | port |
link[.layer = "OMS" and .operStatus = "DOWN"]
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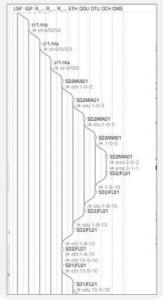
Reduce cost of integration with network apps by 30-70%



## Service-to-fiber visibility



Layered service view in Crosswork Hierarchical Controller UI



Visualization of a protected private line service – zoom-out and zoom-in views



### Cisco Hierarchical Controller Core Functions



## Risk management





## Main Crosswork Hierarchical Controller differentiators

Preintegrated with all vendors: Both pre-SDN and SDN APIs





**Network analytics engine:** Understand network anomalies, track changes and degradations over time using powerful query language

Ensuring tight SLA: Provisioning and assurance for both service overlay and underlay



Crosswork Hierarchical Controller



Scalability: Hierarchical control scales to over 10,000 elements in real time

Unique discovery solution for all network layers, all services, and cross-layer and cross-domain links







Supporting evolution from pre-SDN to SDN and from legacy networks to new ones

Sophisticated path computation allowing to optimize path for multilayer constraints using powerful path computation algorithms





Demonstrable leadership for advanced use cases: multilayer restoration, optimization, predictive failure avoidance

The only deployed network controller in market today



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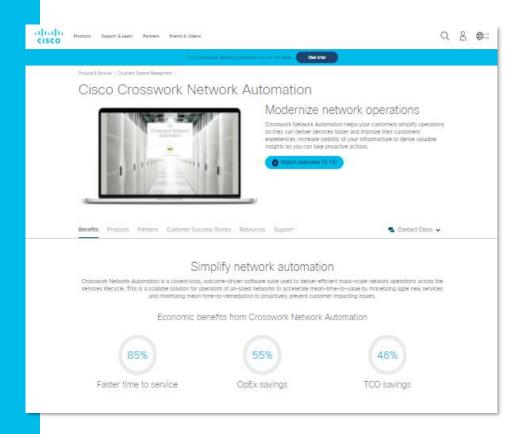


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