

# CheatSheet: SDN & NSX-T

## VMWARE

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## 1.1 SDN

### 1.1.1 SDN Basic Concepts

| Name                             | Command  |
|----------------------------------|--|
| SDN(Software-defined networking) |  |
| NAT(Network address translation) | Allow you to hide the IP addresses.  |
| DNAT                             | For ingress traffic, hide your server IP   |
| SNAT                             | For egress traffic, hide your server IP  |
| VLAN (Virtual LAN)               | Group hosts together even if not directly connected to same network switch                 |
| East/West traffic                | Traffic within a data center. Usually depict local area network (LAN) traffic horizontally |
| North/South traffic              | Traffic coming into and out of the network into Internet space                             |
| BGP(Border Gateway Protocol)     | Among autonomous systems (AS) <b>on the Internet</b> . eBGP vs iBGP                        |
| Overlay networks                 |  |
| vnet(a virtual network)          | allows instances to migrate among compute nodes without changing networking conf           |
| Floating IP Pool                 |  |

### 1.1.2 SDN More Concepts

| Name                                      | Command   |
|---|---|
| VNIC (Virtualized Network Interface Card) | A virtual NIC based on a physical one, then added to a network bridge |
| VIF (Virtual Network Interface)           |   |
| VTEP (VXLAN Tunnel Endpoint)              |   |
| LAG(Link aggregation)                     |   |
| Transport Network                         |   |
| BFD(Bidirectional Forwarding Detection)   | BFD can be used for BGP peers but also for static routes              |
| DFW(Distributed Firewall)                 |   |
| NFV(Network function virtualization)      |   |
| L2 networking                             | L2 bridge   |
| L3 networking                             |   |
| L7 networking                             |   |
| GRE(Generic Routing Encapsulation)        |   |

### 1.1.3 Switch - L2 layer

| Name                           | Command   |
|--------------------------------|---|
| VLAN (Virtual LAN)             | Group hosts together even if they are not directly connected to same network switch |
| VXLAN (Virtual Extensible LAN) |   |
| Geneve                         |   |
| Logical Switch                 | Spin up isolated logical L2 networks  |
| OVS (Open vSwitch)             |   |
| VNI(Virtual Network Instance)  |   |
| TEP table                      |   |

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### 1.1.4 Router - L3 layer

| Name                           | Command  |
|--------------------------------|--|
| LR(Logical Router)             | Create multiple routing domains with a single router. It composes: DR and SR |
| Two-tier routing               | T0-router(physical routing infra), T1-router(per tenant first hop router)    |
| Uplink                         | Used to connect to physical infrastructure                                   |
| Router Link                    | Used to interconnect Tier0 and Tier1 Logical routers                         |
| Downlink                       | Used to connect logical switches   |
| Static Routing/Dynamic Routing |  |
| DR(Distributed Router)         |  |
| SR(Service Router)             |  |
| LRP                            |  |

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## 1.2 VMWare NSX-T

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### 1.2.1 NSX-T Components

| Name             | Command   |
|------------------|---|
| NSX Manager node | hosts API services.   |
| NSX Controller   | host the central control plane cluster daemons.                                     |
| NSX-T Edge       | Provides routing services and connectivity to networks external to NSX-T deployment |

### 1.2.2 NSX-T In PKS

| NSX-T Component       | Summary  |
|-----------------------|--|
| NSX Manager Appliance | 1 instance; 16 GB RAM per Instance; 4 vCPU per instance; 140GB Disk per Instance         |
| NSX Controllers       | 3 instance; 16 GB RAM per Instance; 4 vCPU per instance; 120GB Disk per Instance         |
| NSX-T Edge            | 1 up to 8 instance; 16 GB RAM per Instance; 8 vCPU per instance; 120GB Disk per Instance |

### 1.2.3 NSX-T Concepts

| Name                              | Command   |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| NCP                               | NSX-T container plugin CNI. Link: Overview of NSX-T Container Plug-in |
| N-VDS                             | NSX Virtual Distributed Switch  |
| LCP(Local Control Panel)          |   |
| CCP(Central Control Panel)        |   |
| ASGs(Application Security Groups) |   |
| Link                              | VMware Products, NSX-T Container Plug-in for Kubernetes               |
| Transport nodes                   | host local control plane daemons and forwarding engines.              |
| Plane agent                       | Every node hosts a management plane agent.                            |

### 1.2.4 NSX-T Commands

| Name                    | Command   |
|-------------------------|---|
| nsxcli in PKS           | <code>/var/vcap/jobs/ncp/bin/nsxcli -c get ncp-master status</code>   |
| ncp log                 | <code>/var/vcap/sys/log/ncp/</code>   |
| NSX-T networking in PKS | <a href="https://docs.pivotal.io/runtimes/pks/1-1/nsxt-prepare-env.html">https://docs.pivotal.io/runtimes/pks/1-1/nsxt-prepare-env.html</a> |

## 1.3 More Resources

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