

Applications

Network and business applications



MI[†]

Northbound Interfaces (NBI)

Control Plane

Decision logic



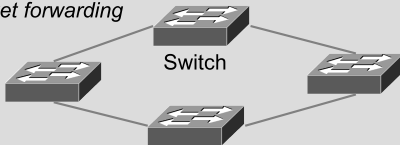
Controller

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Southbound Interfaces (SBI)
e.g., OpenFlow

Data Plane

Packet forwarding



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Management Plane
Integrated management model

* East/Westbound Interfaces (EWBI)

[†] Management Interfaces (MI)