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SDN/NFV VNF Service Chaining

Test Readiness Review

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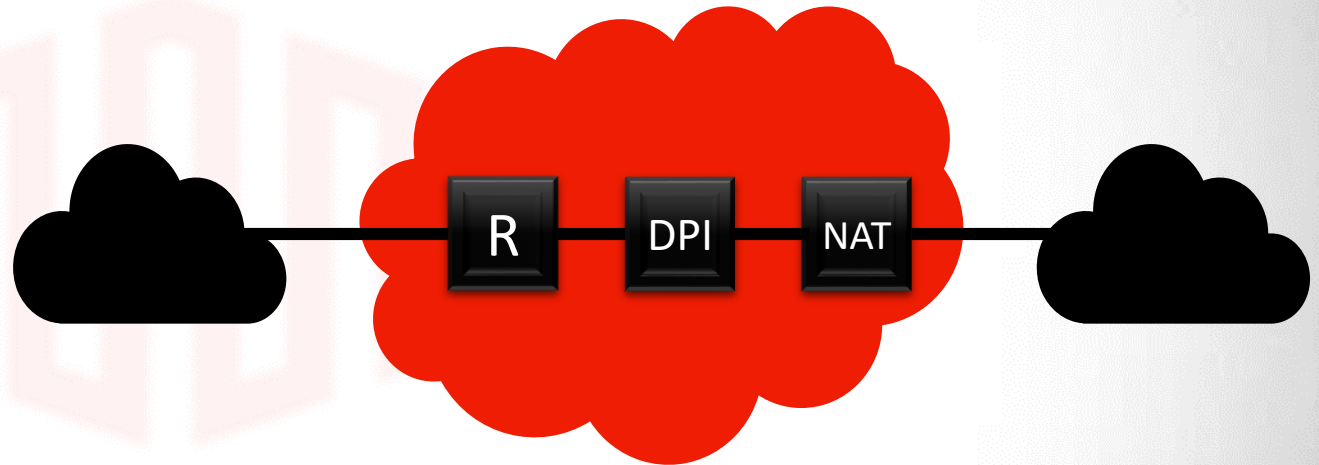
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Project Overview

What is Service Chaining?

- Service chaining - set of network functions connected to support an application.
- SDN/NFV facilitates the ease of provisioning and reconfiguring the service chains.
- Building a service chain using SDN/NFV eliminates the need of acquiring network hardware.



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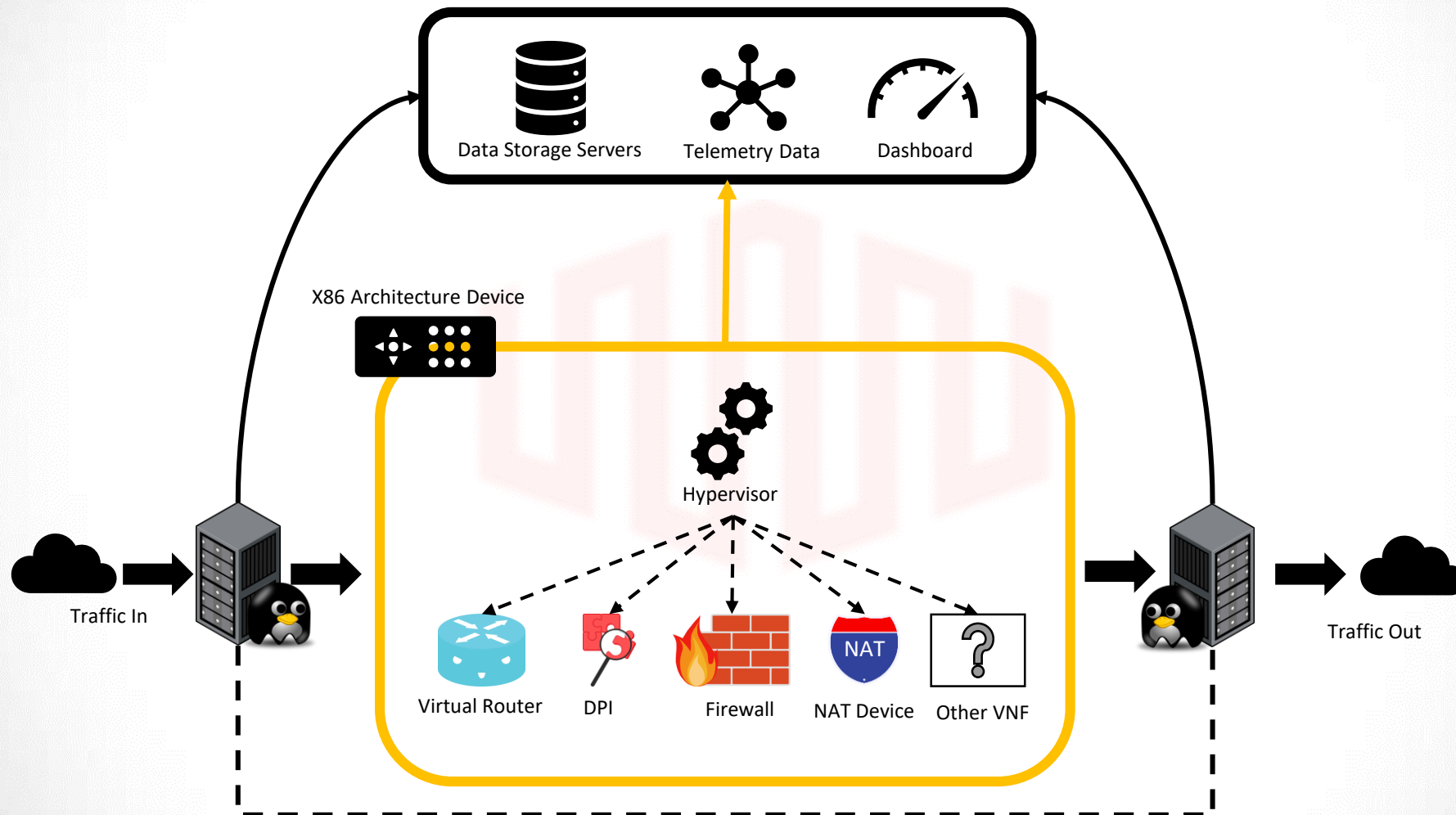
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Objectives

- Creation of various combinations of service chains – using VNFs from vendors and open source services.
- Creation of test cases to test throughput and performance of the service chains.
- Subject the chains to undergo varying types of traffic.
- Carry out testing in a consistent environment.
- Creation of an abstraction layer to plug-in and test.
- Creation of a dashboard for performance monitoring.
- Store the performance related data in a database.

Concept of Operations



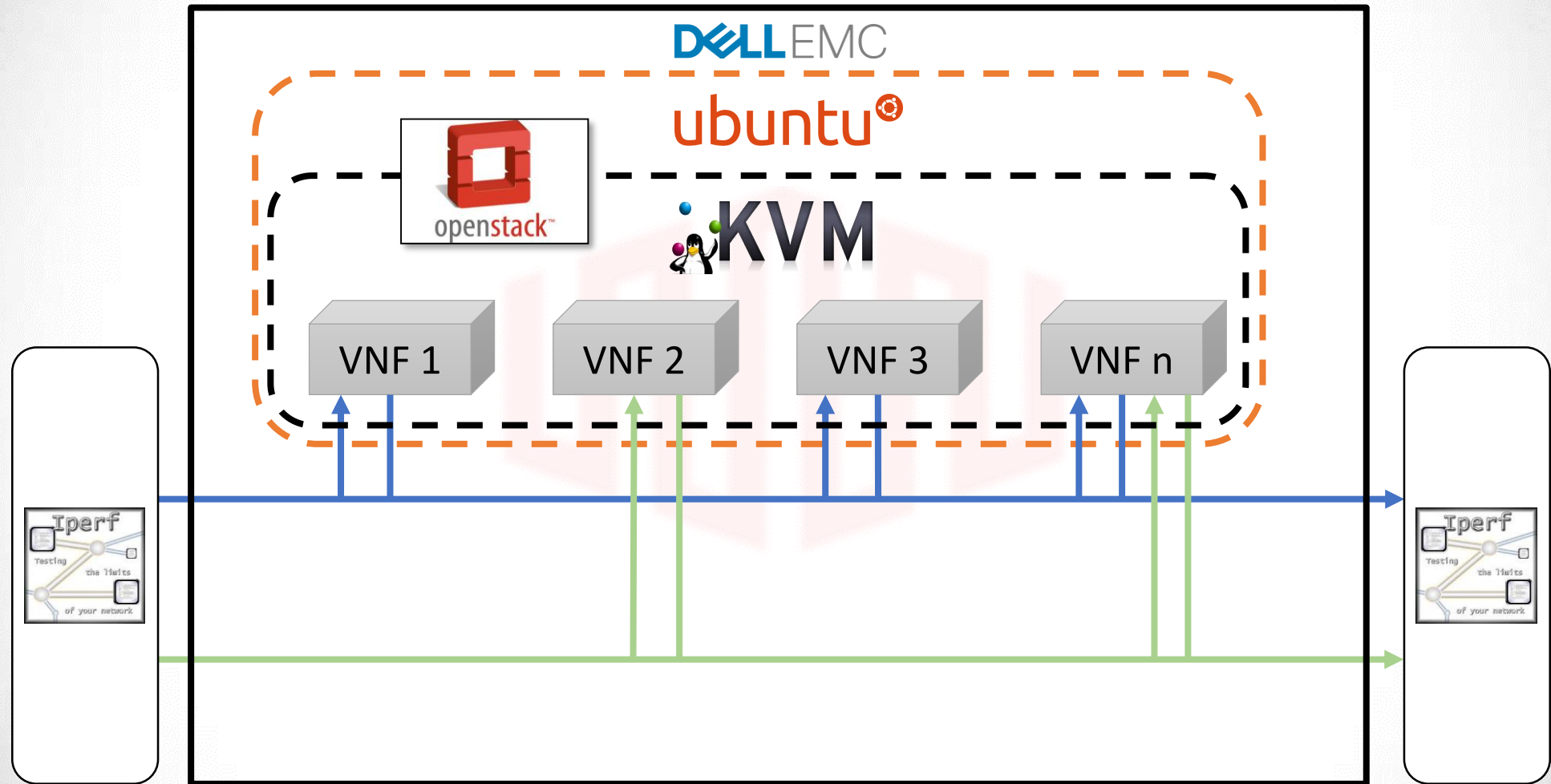
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Functional Block Diagram



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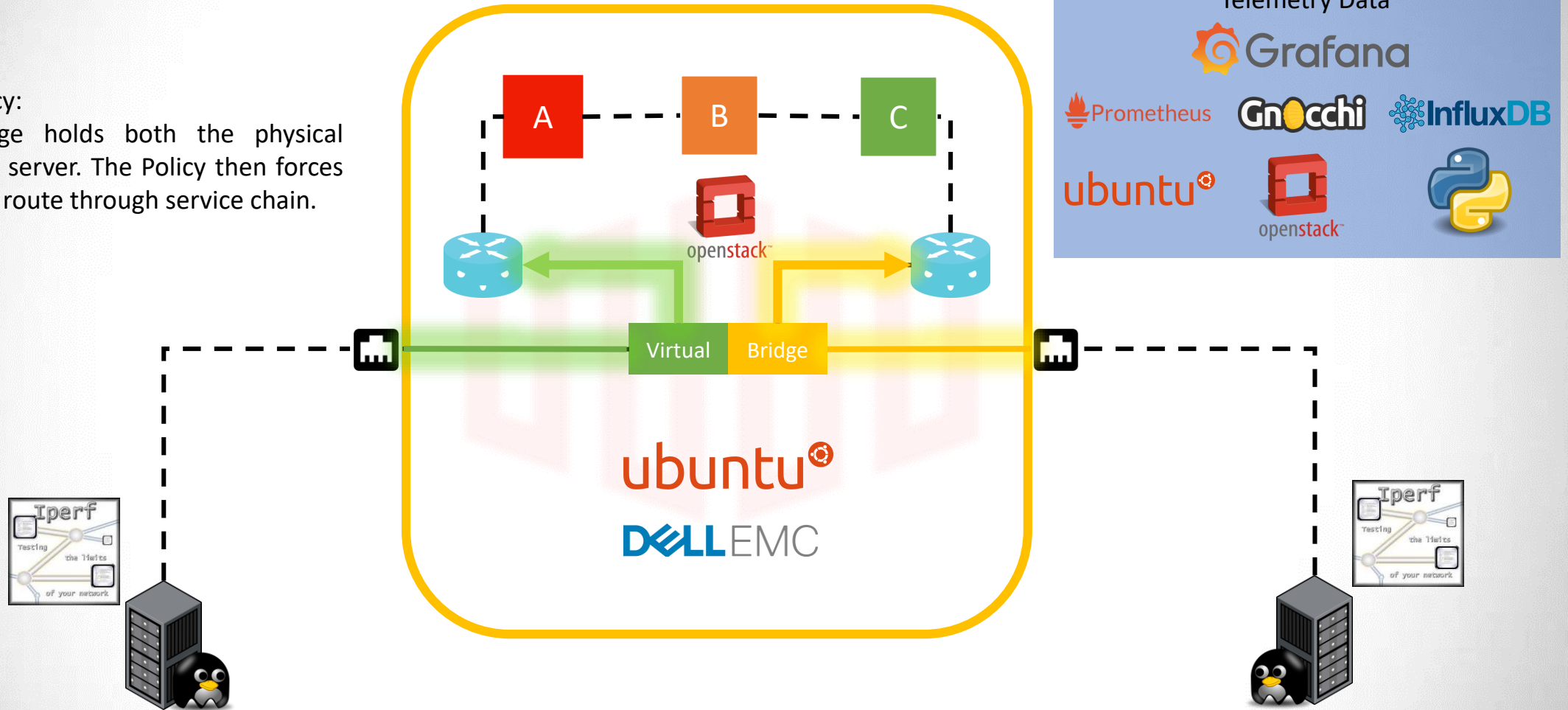
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Project Implementation

Routing Policy:

Virtual bridge holds both the physical interfaces of server. The Policy then forces the traffic to route through service chain.



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Critical Project Elements

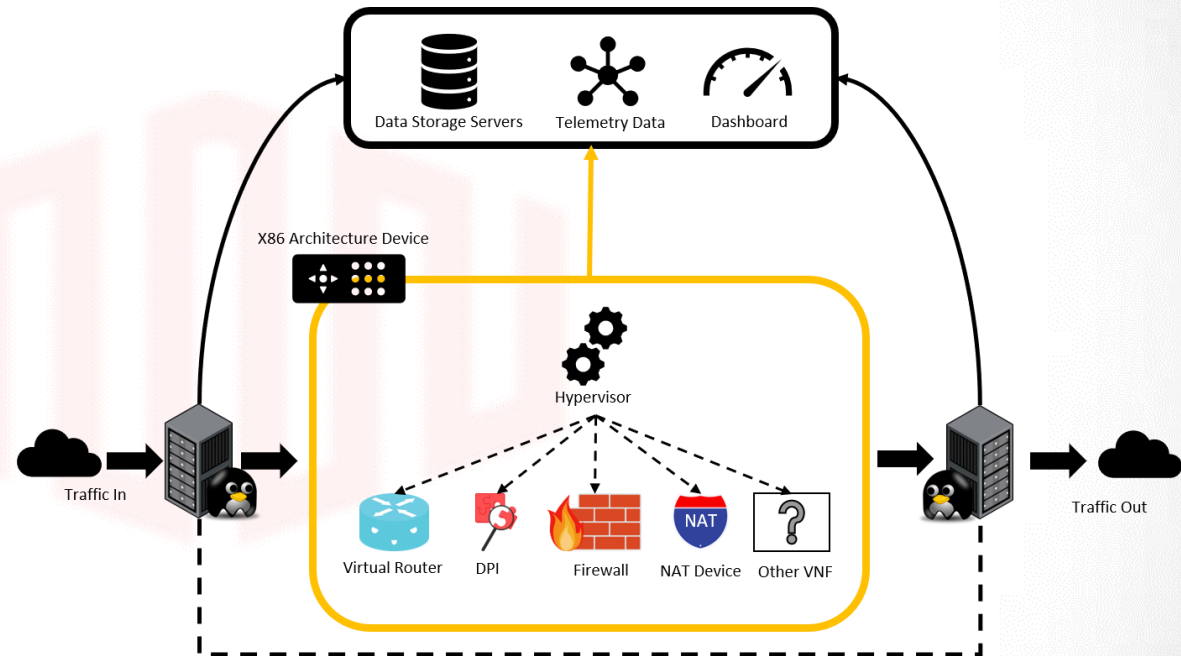
DES.1.1 • VNF Deployment

DES.1.2 • Use of OpenStack and KVM Hypervisor

DES.1.3 • x86 Architecture Device

DES.2.1 • Consistent test environment

DES.2.2 • Testing using traffic generator



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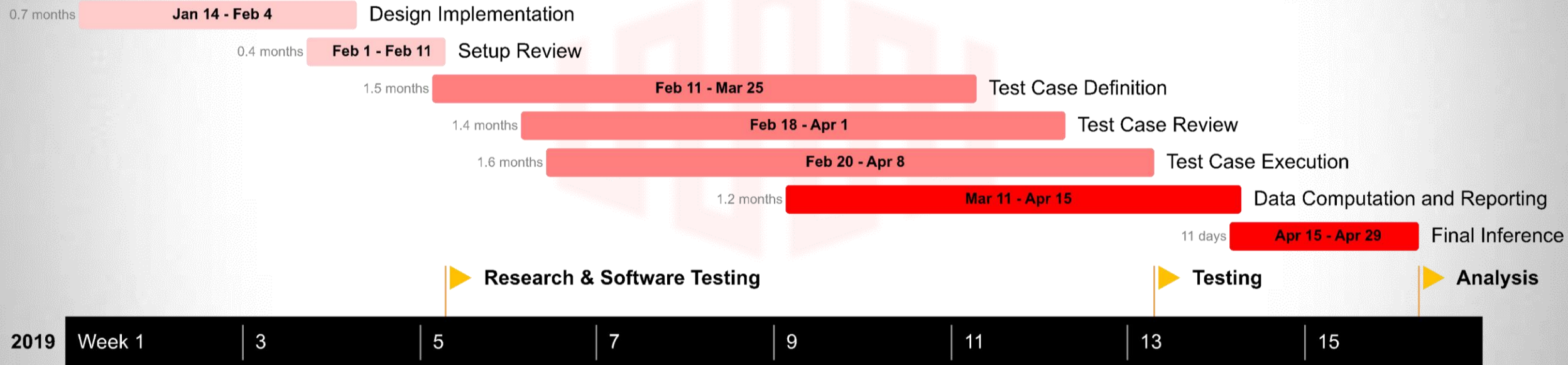
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Work Plan - Previous



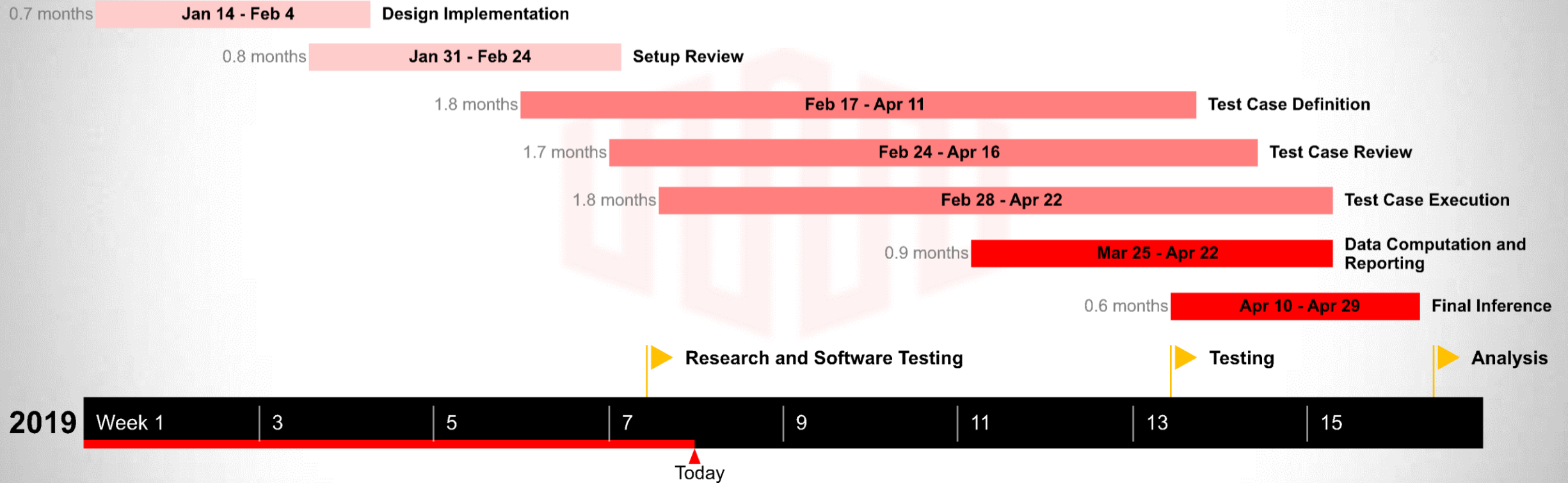
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Work Plan - Current



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Status Report

Job Title	Description
Design Implementation	Completed – OpenStack Monitoring server and Iperf devices setup.
Setup Review	Completed – Service chain design confirmed with customer.
Test Case Definition	In Progress – Service Chain templates designed, subject to rework.
Test Case Review	In Progress – Basic service chain tested.
Test Case Execution	In Progress – Throughput data available for service chain tested.
Data Computation and Reporting	Pending.
Final Inference	Pending.

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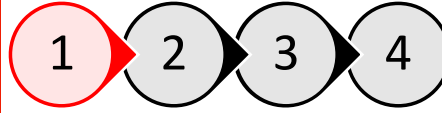
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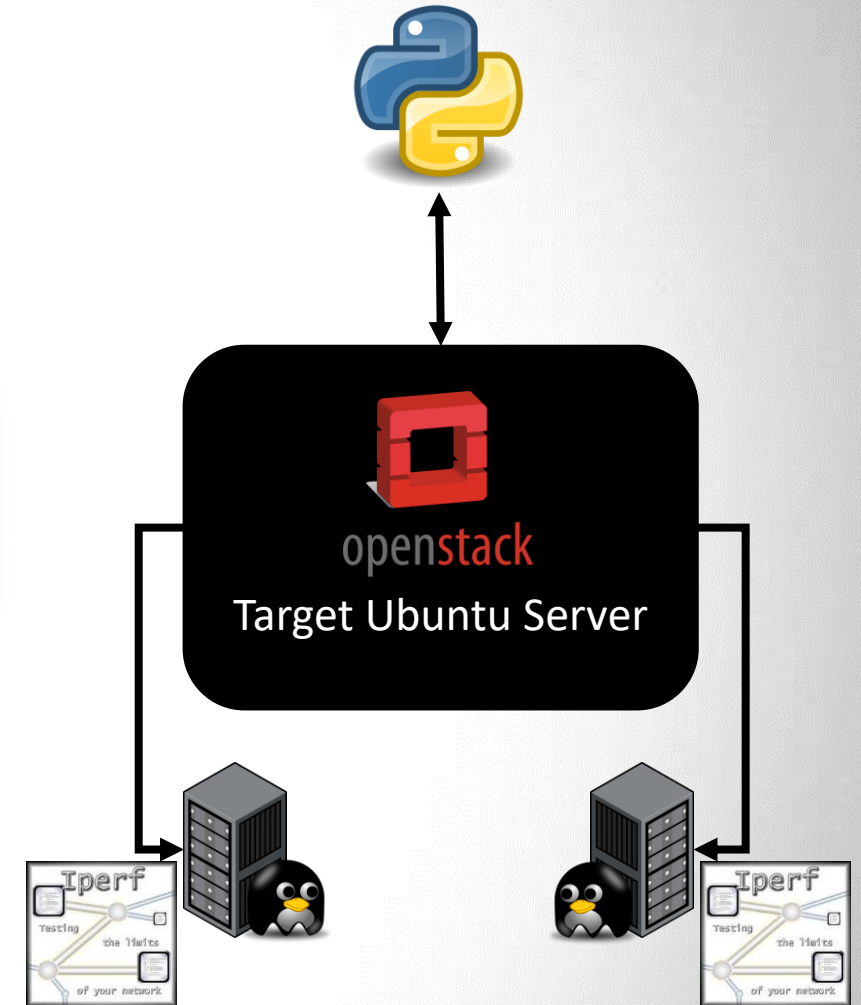
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Test 1: Infrastructure Setup



Verify working of hardware infrastructure

1. Check if server is powered on
2. Ping the VPN address of the server to check if there is VPN connectivity
3. SSH into the server hosting OpenStack
4. Check IP addresses of client and server machines and if they are able to ping the OpenStack server
5. Check working of OpenStack and current state of the server by running the script
6. Details provided by script are:
 - I. CPU specification
 - II. Memory utilization
 - III. Disk usage
 - IV. Interface status and configuration



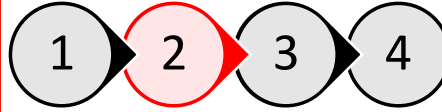
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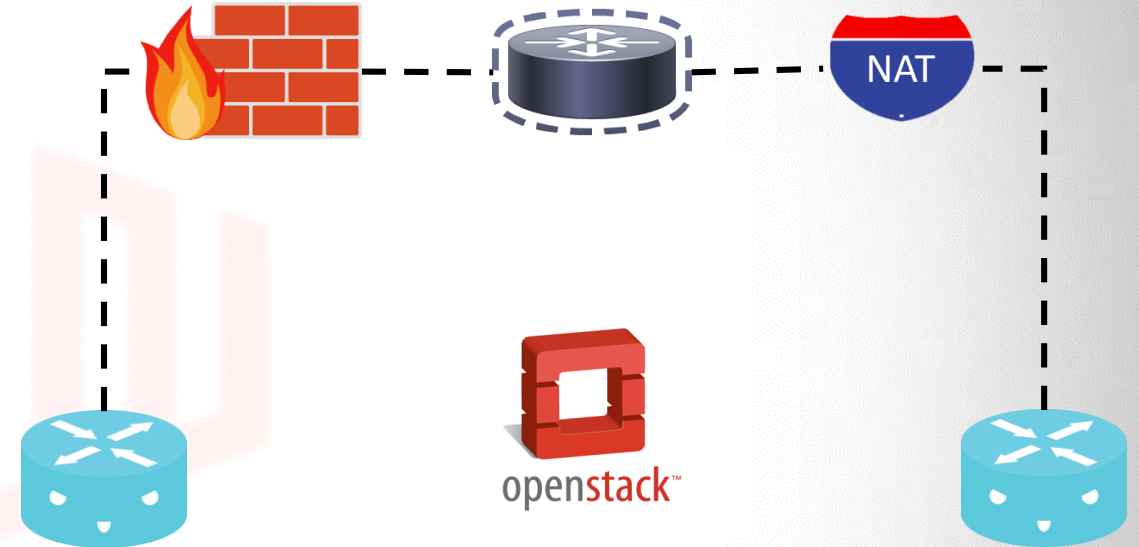
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Test 2: Implement service chain



Service chain example : Firewall - Router - NAT

1. Use firewall to allow traffic from client and server machine IPs.
2. Router will route the packets to an "internal" IP address range.
3. NAT VM will destination NAT "internal" IP to the server machine IP.
4. Verify firewall rules and NAT translation in VNFs



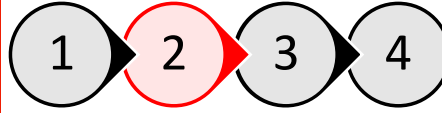
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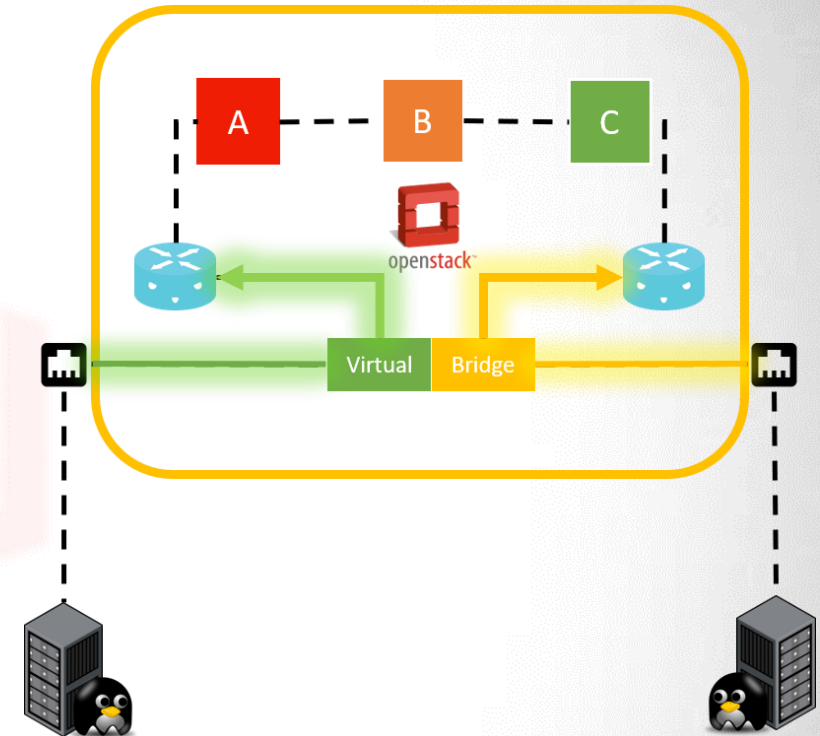
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Test 2: Implement service chain



1. Check if the service chain is set up on the OpenStack dashboard.
2. Confirm routing policies and static routes to support traffic flow.
3. Check ubuntu server routing policy and verify if the traffic is directed to vRouter.
4. Ping from client to server machine to check connectivity across service chain.
5. Run a traceroute to check whether traffic is being routed through the service chain.



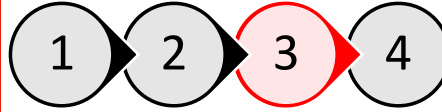
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Test 3: Metric Collection



1. Check node exporter and Grafana on the ubuntu server. Benchmark statistics.
2. Check node exporter and influx DB on client and server machines to check ping latency and traceroute
3. Check VM statistics using utilities like nova/ceilometer
4. Run iPerf3 client and server applications
5. Monitor statistics of the server using node exporter
6. Check throughput of the link using iperf3 with varying parameters:
 - a. TCP traffic
 - b. UDP traffic
 - c. Varying amount of data
 - d. Multiple parallel streams
 - e. Different window sizes of TCP
 - f. Reverse mode
7. Write the throughput information from iperf to influx DB and link it to Grafana.
8. Store metric data on local device for future analysis.



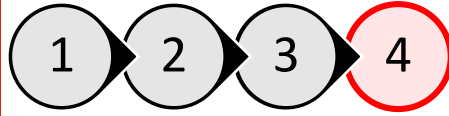
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Test 4: Reproducibility



- To confirm reproducibility of the test cases, reproduce server configuration and service chain in identical server.
- Run the same test case against both servers to verify output.
- If the captured metrics are within 5% margin error, then we can ascertain that the tests are successful

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Server

Feature	Specifications
Processor	Intel® Xeon® processor E5-2600 v4 product family
Memory	64GB
Storage	500GB SATA
Networking	4x1Gb Ethernet NIC's
Quantity	2
Procured From	Telecom Lab

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Images

Product	Description	Cost
Juniper - vSRX 1G	Firewall	License - Equinix
Cisco – CSR 1G	Router	License - Equinix
Cirros	Linux Machine	Opensource
Ubuntu [16/18] – Cloud	Linux Machine	Opensource
Pfsense	Firewall	Opensource
VYOS	Router/NAT	Opensource

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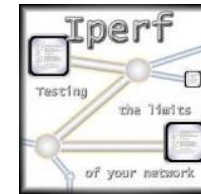
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Software

Product	Description	Cost
Ubuntu 16.04.6 LTS OS	Operating System	Opensource
OpenStack (Rocky/Ocata)	Cloud Orchestrator	Opensource
Iperf	Traffic Generator	Opensource
Grafana	Dashboard	Opensource
Gnocchi, Influxdb, Prometheus	Database Source	Opensource

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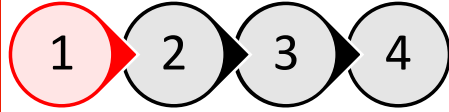
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FIN/ACK?

Appendix

Test 1 : Infrastructure Setup



The python scrip runs on any machine having reachability to servers network. Following can be seen from the scripts output.

1. Ubuntu Version
2. Architectural information of server.
3. Server Time
4. CPU Statistics.
5. Memory Usage.
6. Disk Space.
7. Interface Details.
8. Iperf server and client reachability.
9. OpenStack Status on server and images available.

```
=====UBUNTU DETAILS=====
The Ubuntu release on the server is: 16.04.

=====CPU INFORMATION=====
The CPU Architecture: x86_64
The CPU modes available on the server: 32-bit, 64-bit
Number of CPU cores in the server: 12
Processor actual speed: 1371.812 MHz
Processor maximum speed: 1600.0000 MHz
Processor minimum speed: 1200.0000 MHz

=====CURRENT SERVER TIME=====
22:28:10 MST

=====CPU STATISTICS=====
Server CPU is 81% idle.

=====MEMORY USAGE=====
Total memory available: 62G
Used memory: 16G
Free memory: 44G

=====DISK SPACE=====
Details of disk /dev/sda1:
Total size: 458G
Available space: 393G

=====INTERFACE DETAILS=====
Details of the interface eno1:
IP Address: 172.16.218.10 255.255.0.0

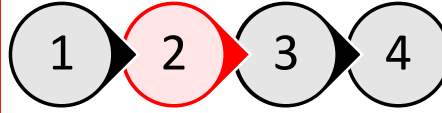
Details of the interface eno3:
IP Address: 1.1.1.100 255.255.255.0

Details of the interface eno4:
IP Address: 2.2.2.100 255.255.255.0

=====IPERF SERVER AND CLIENT REACHABILITY=====
iPerf Client at 1.1.1.1 is reachable.
iPerf Server at 2.2.2.2 is reachable.

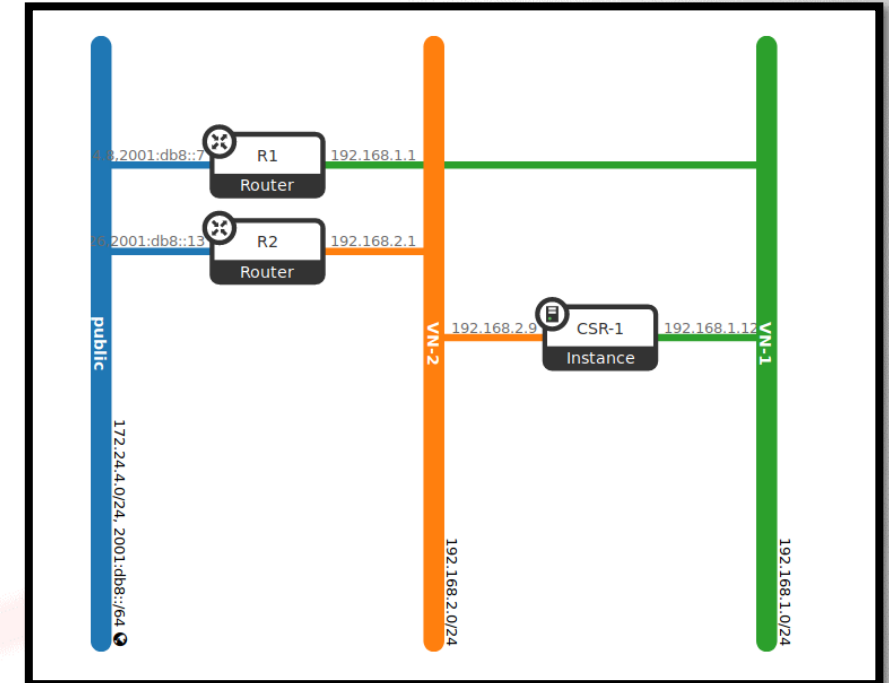
=====OPENSTACK OPERATION CONFIRMATION=====
Images in OpenStack using the command 'openstack image list':
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| ID | Name | Status |
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| 38660642-882e-4828-bf8d-101823098873 | cirros-0.3.5-x86_64-disk | active |
| 4b3ad6e3-61ed-4a64-b313-7c28202aed2e | csr_image | active |
| 02f23e98-a123-4575-bb0e-795698d1e579 | vsrx_juniper | active |
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Test 2 : Service Chain



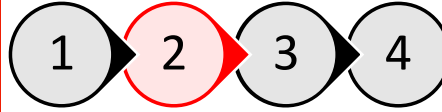
Checks in Service chain:

1. The network diagram on OpenStack shows the network after issuing of the traceroutes from one Iperf server to the other.
2. The traceroute is done at Client 1.1.1.1 destined for 2.2.2.2.
3. It can be seen from the traceroute that traffic first passes through the OpenStack running one CSR instance before reaching the Iperf server.



```
t9eqx@t9eqx:~$ traceroute 2.2.2.2
traceroute to 2.2.2.2 (2.2.2.2), 64 hops max
 1  1.1.1.100  0.238ms  0.195ms  0.143ms
 2  172.24.4.8  0.622ms  0.176ms  0.138ms
 3  192.168.1.12  1.547ms  0.768ms  0.682ms
 4  192.168.2.1  0.961ms  0.556ms  0.595ms
 5  1.1.1.100  2.254ms  0.440ms  0.464ms
 6  2.2.2.2  1.032ms  0.835ms  1.479ms
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Checks in Service chain:

Throughput loss while routing traffic through Cisco CSR.

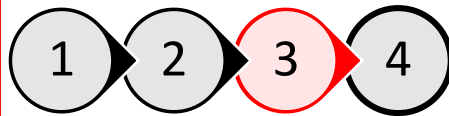
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t9eqx@t9eqx:~$ iperf3 -c 2.2.2.2
Connecting to host 2.2.2.2, port 5201
[ 4] local 1.1.1.1 port 53764 connected to 2.2.2.2 port 5201
[ ID] Interval      Transfer  Bandwidth  Retr Cwnd
[ 4] 0.00-1.00 sec  99.0 MBytes  830 Mbits/sec  0 2.98 MBytes
[ 4] 1.00-2.00 sec  104 MBytes  870 Mbits/sec  0 2.98 MBytes
[ 4] 2.00-3.00 sec  105 MBytes  881 Mbits/sec  0 2.98 MBytes
[ 4] 3.00-4.00 sec  104 MBytes  870 Mbits/sec  0 2.98 MBytes
[ 4] 4.00-5.00 sec  104 MBytes  870 Mbits/sec  0 2.98 MBytes
[ 4] 5.00-6.00 sec  102 MBytes  860 Mbits/sec  0 2.98 MBytes
[ 4] 6.00-7.00 sec  102 MBytes  860 Mbits/sec  0 2.98 MBytes
[ 4] 7.00-8.00 sec  95.0 MBytes  797 Mbits/sec  0 2.98 MBytes
[ 4] 8.00-9.00 sec  102 MBytes  860 Mbits/sec  0 2.98 MBytes
[ 4] 9.00-10.00 sec  102 MBytes  860 Mbits/sec  0 2.98 MBytes
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[ ID] Interval      Transfer  Bandwidth  Retr
[ 4] 0.00-10.00 sec  1020 MBytes  856 Mbits/sec  0      sender
[ 4] 0.00-10.00 sec  1019 MBytes  855 Mbits/sec                receiver
```

Checks in Service chain:

Throughput while routing traffic through Cirros VM

```
t9eqx@t9eqx:~$ iperf3 -c 2.2.2.2
Connecting to host 2.2.2.2, port 5201
[ 4] local 1.1.1.1 port 53748 connected to 2.2.2.2 port 5201
[ ID] Interval      Transfer  Bandwidth  Retr Cwnd
[ 4] 0.00-1.00 sec  114 MBytes  956 Mbits/sec  0 542 KBytes
[ 4] 1.00-2.00 sec  112 MBytes  940 Mbits/sec  0 597 KBytes
[ 4] 2.00-3.00 sec  111 MBytes  929 Mbits/sec  0 796 KBytes
[ 4] 3.00-4.00 sec  112 MBytes  944 Mbits/sec  0 932 KBytes
[ 4] 4.00-5.00 sec  111 MBytes  933 Mbits/sec  0 1.07 MBytes
[ 4] 5.00-6.00 sec  111 MBytes  933 Mbits/sec  0 1.12 MBytes
[ 4] 6.00-7.00 sec  112 MBytes  944 Mbits/sec  0 1.12 MBytes
[ 4] 7.00-8.00 sec  111 MBytes  933 Mbits/sec  0 1.12 MBytes
[ 4] 8.00-9.00 sec  112 MBytes  944 Mbits/sec  0 1.25 MBytes
[ 4] 9.00-10.00 sec  110 MBytes  923 Mbits/sec  0 1.43 MBytes
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[ ID] Interval      Transfer  Bandwidth  Retr
[ 4] 0.00-10.00 sec  1.09 GBytes  938 Mbits/sec  0      sender
[ 4] 0.00-10.00 sec  1.09 GBytes  936 Mbits/sec                receiver
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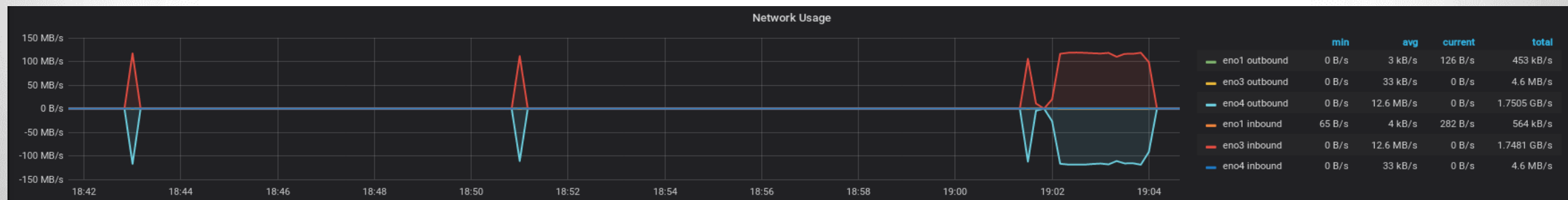
Server Metrics has been polled from Prometheus Node Exporter.

We are concerned with CPU, Memory and Network Statistics.

There is a list of metrics available at:

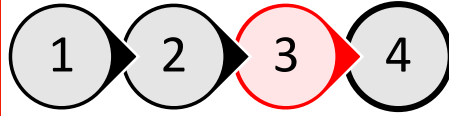
https://github.com/prometheus/node_exporter

We have generated a standard dashboard for these metrics on Grafana – Screenshots as seen.



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Test 3: Metric Collection



- Ping/Traceroute from source traffic generator to the server via the service chain.
- Capture RTT and Hops.
- Also confirms traffic flow through service chain.

