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Enterprise Campus Design: Multilayer Architectures and Design Principles

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Our Vision and Strategy



Vision

Change the way the world works,
lives, plays, and learns



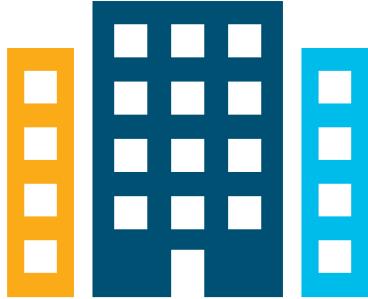
Strategy

We create solutions built on
intelligent networks that solve
our customers' challenges

Digital Transformation is Moving IT to the Boardroom

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3X

more organisations
intend to be
digital ready in

2 YEARS

– IDC¹

Business at the Speed of Digital

*“Digital business requires faster delivery of services to the business, ultimately requiring enterprises to change **network operations processes and tooling**.”*

– Gartner²

Unprecedented Demands on the Network

Digital Disruption

63 million new devices
online every second
by 2020¹

Lack of Business
and IT Insights

Complexity

3X spend on
network operations
vs network²

Slow and Error
Prone Operations

Security

6 months to
detect breach³

Unconstrained
Attack Surface

1: Gartner Report - [Gartner's 2017 Strategic Roadmap for Networking](#)

2. McKinsey Study of Network Operations for Cisco – 2016

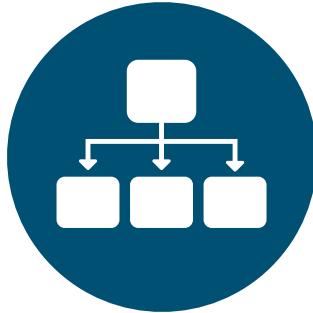
3. Ponemon Research Institute [Study on Malware Detection](#), Mar 2016

Cisco's Enterprise SDN Strategy

Policy and Intent to Unlock the Power of your Distributed System



Unlock the Power that
Exists
in the Network through
**Abstraction, Automation,
and Policy Enforcement**



Leverage the
Power of Existing
Distributed Systems



Enable Network Wide
Fidelity to an Expressed
Intent (**Policy**)

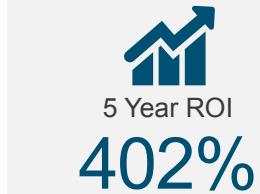
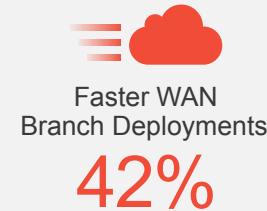
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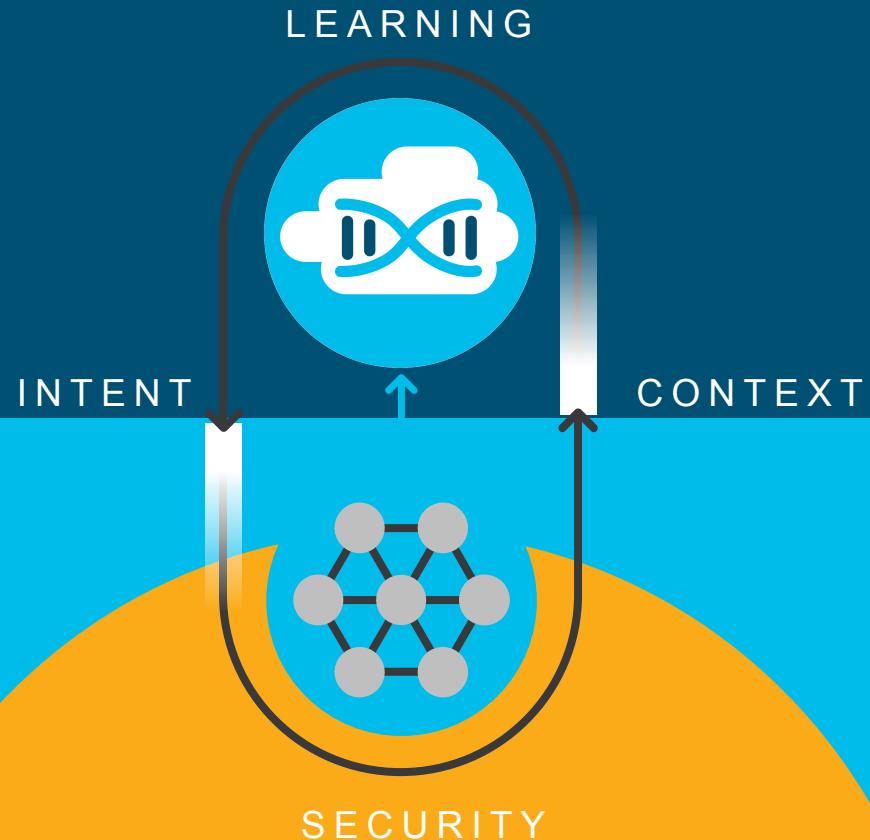
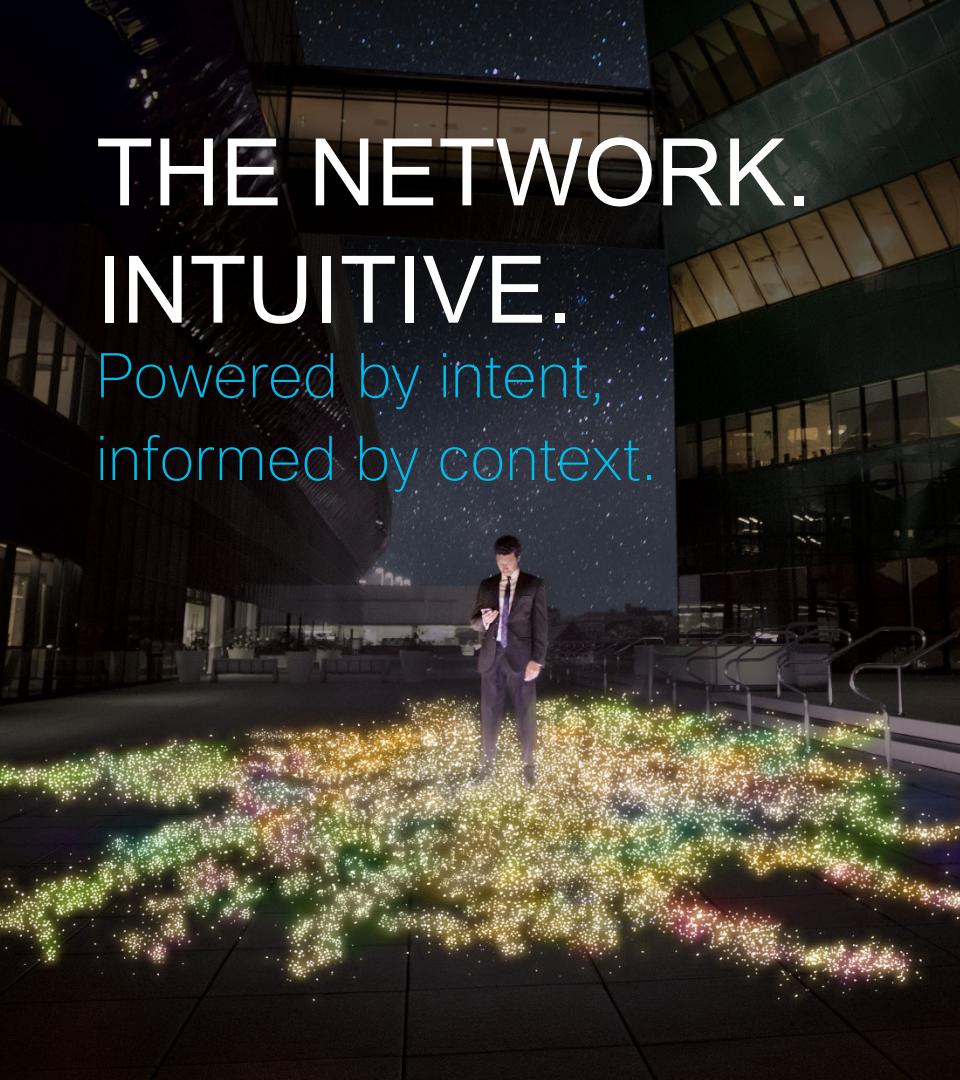


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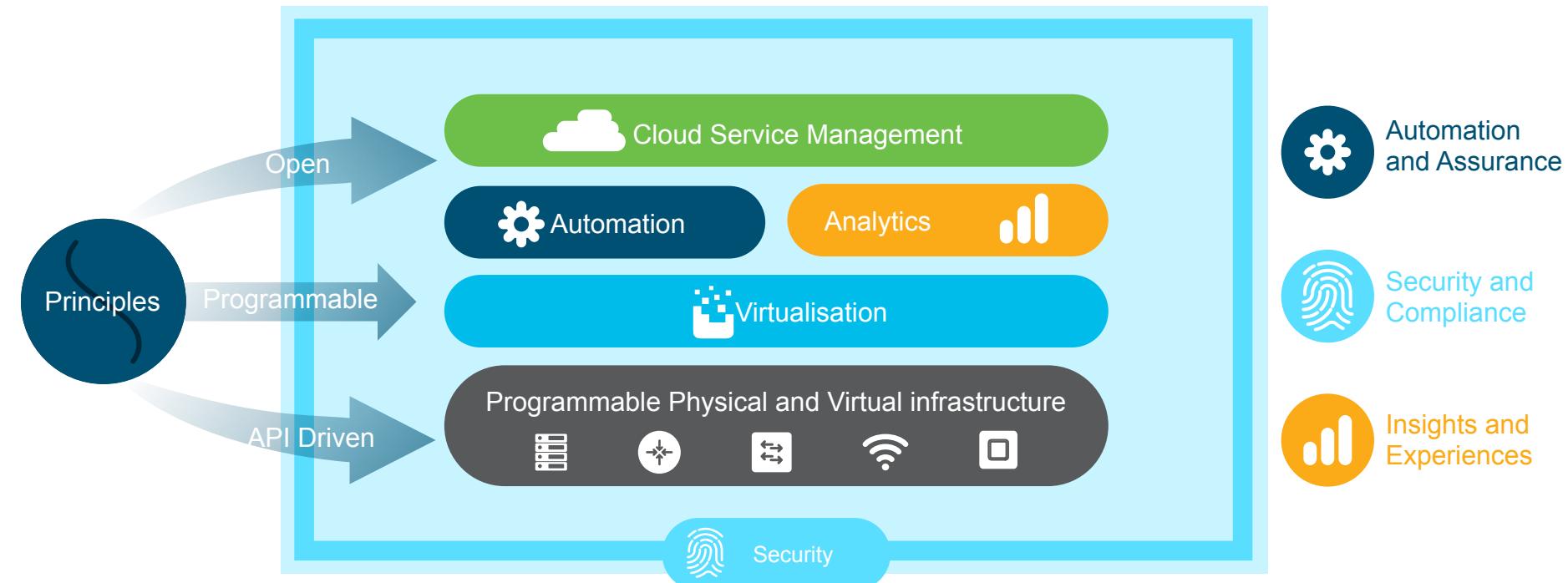


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Powered by intent,
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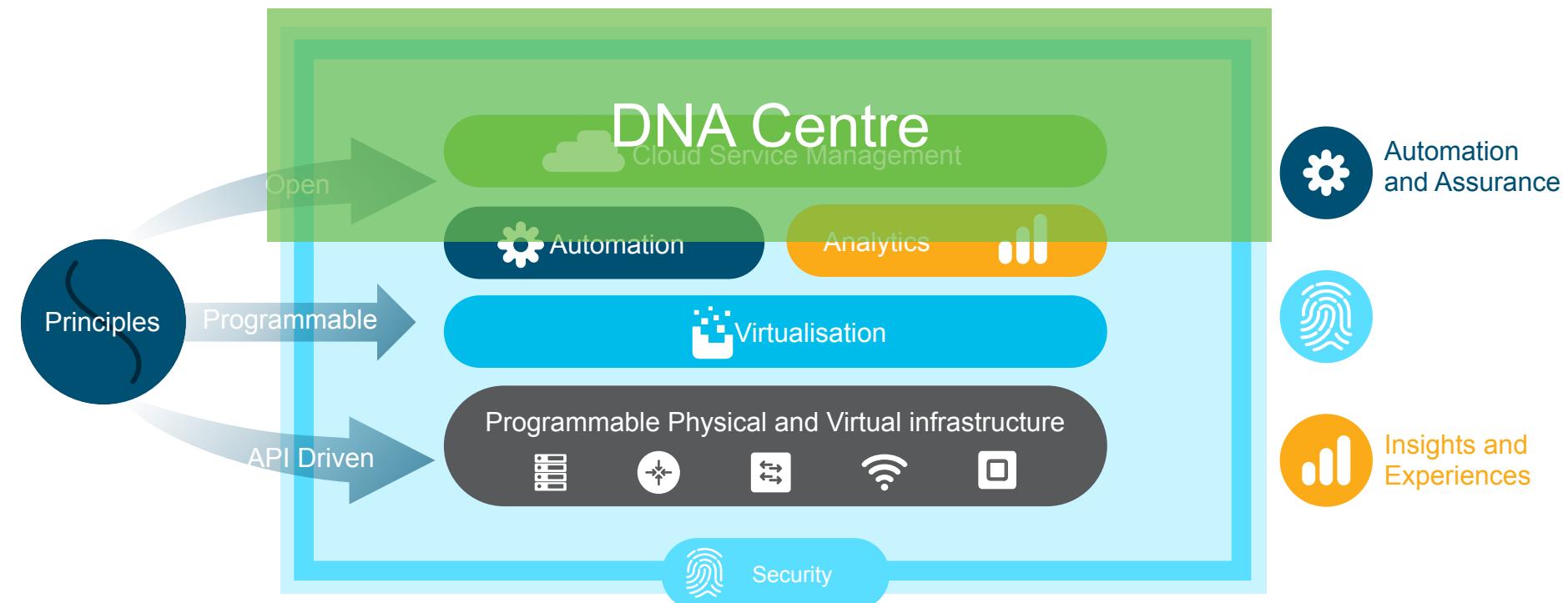
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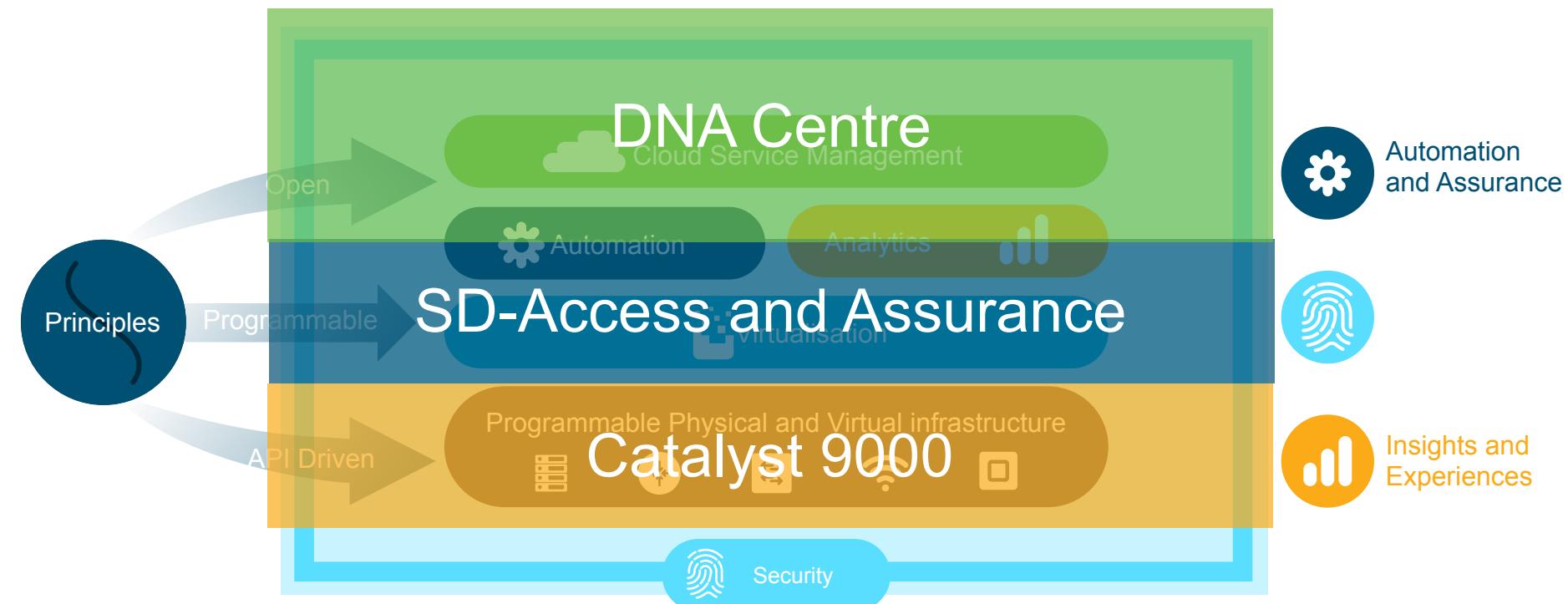
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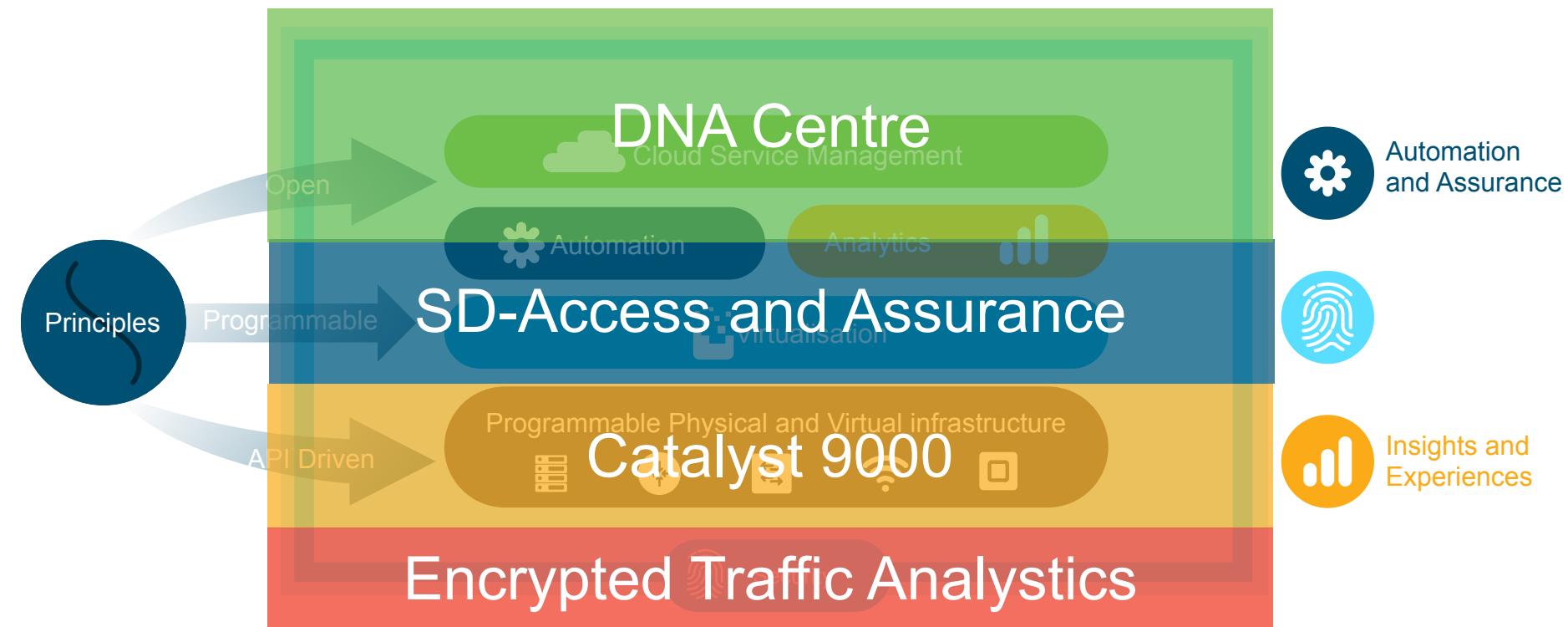
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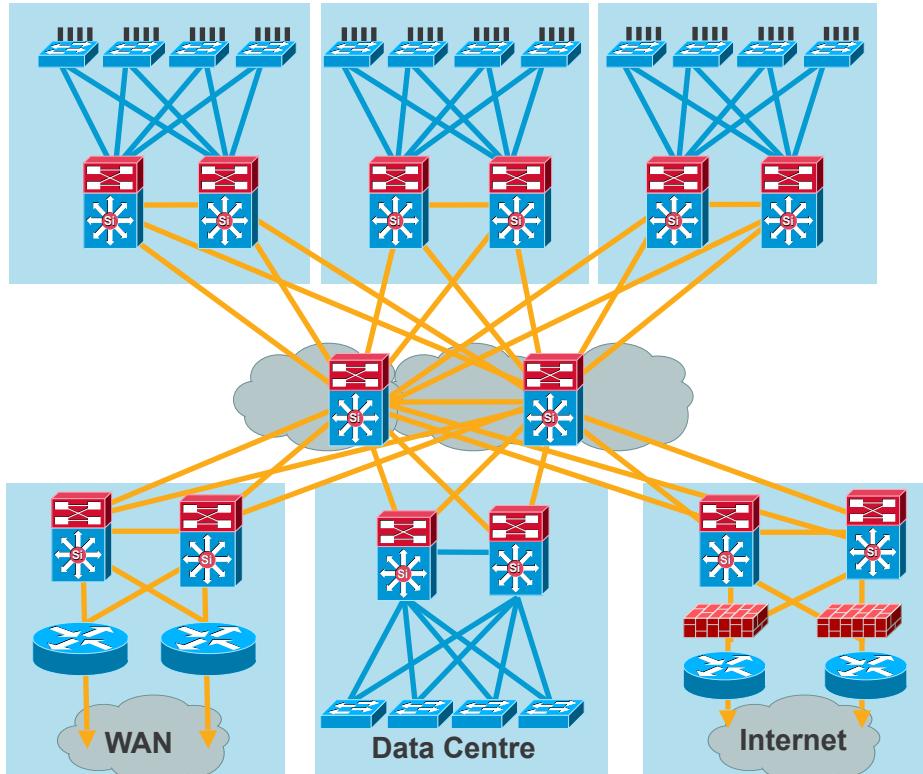


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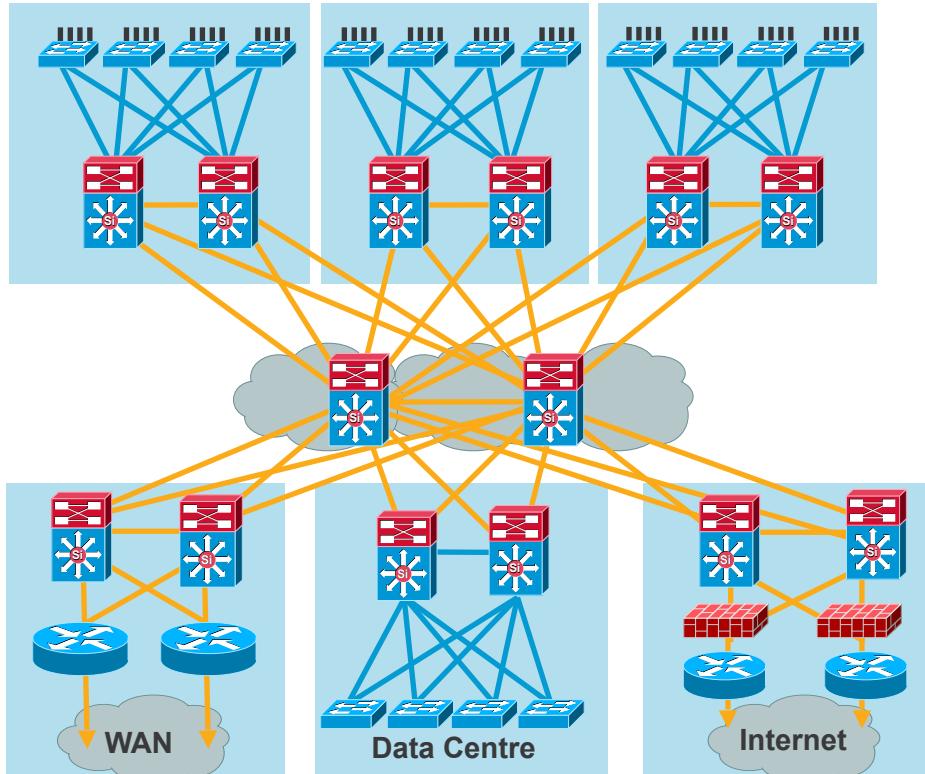
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Distribution

Core

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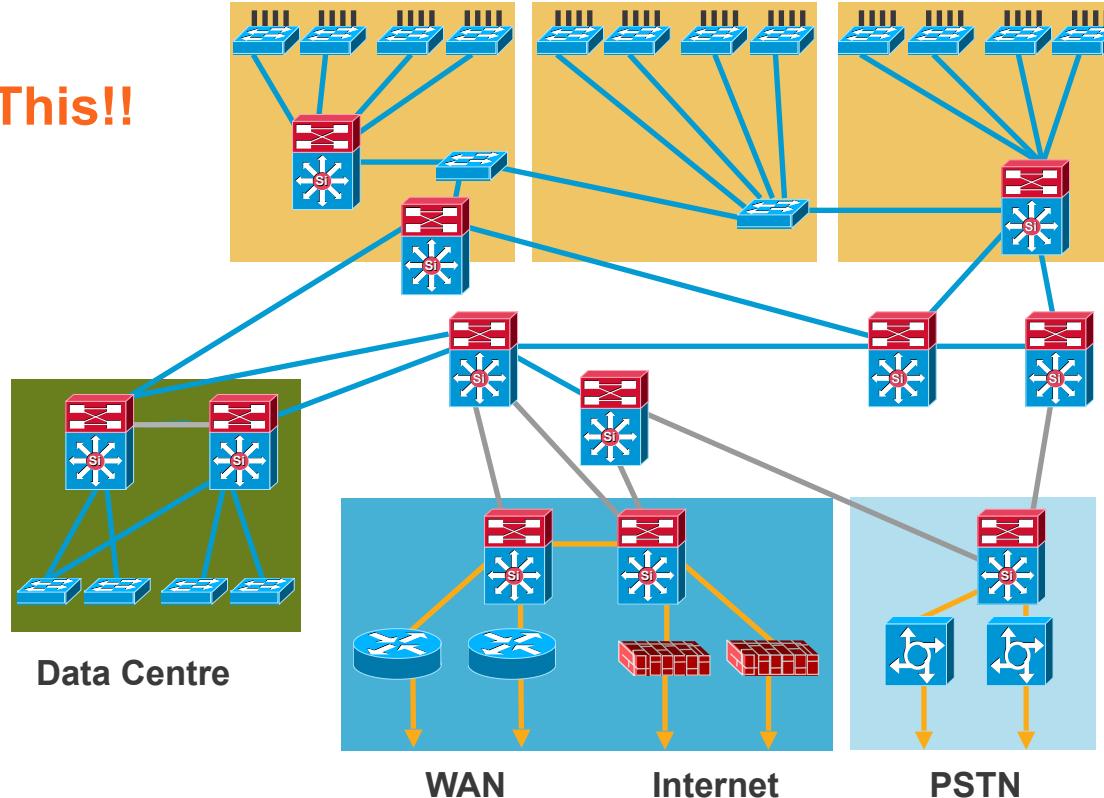
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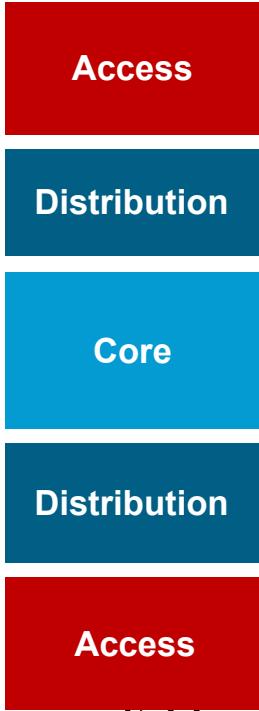
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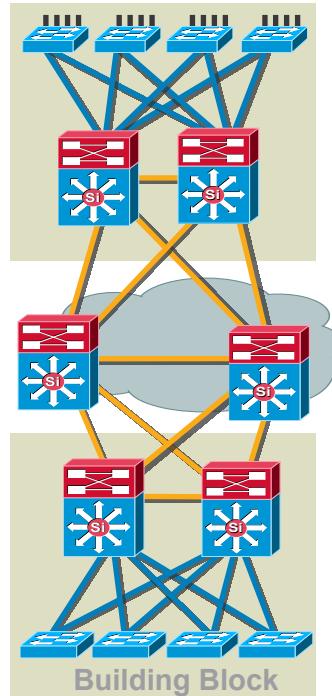


Hierarchical Network Design

Without a Rock Solid Foundation the Rest Doesn't Matter



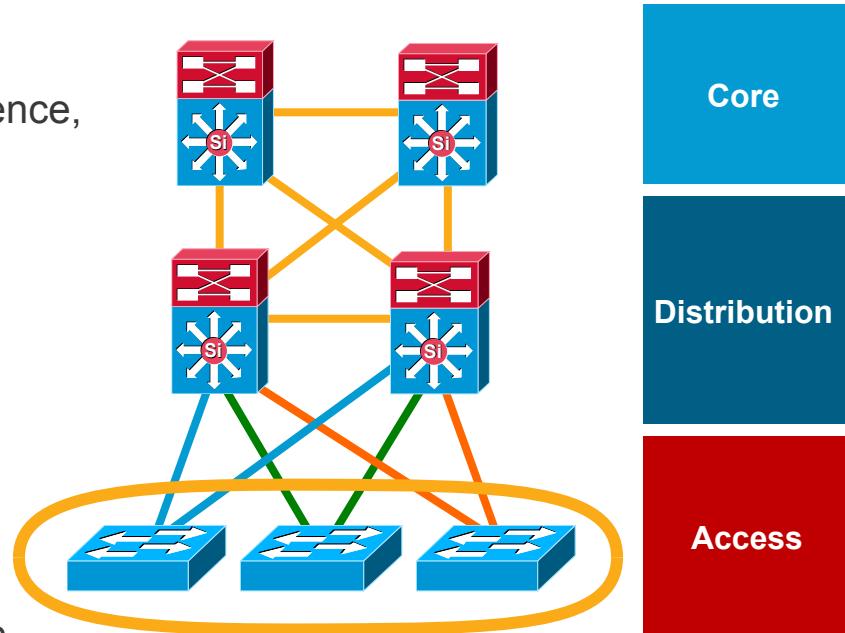
- Offers hierarchy—each layer has specific role
- Modular topology—building blocks
- Easy to grow, understand, and troubleshoot
- Creates small fault domains— clear demarcations and isolation
- Promotes load balancing and redundancy
- Promotes deterministic traffic patterns
- Incorporates balance of both Layer 2 and Layer 3 technology, leveraging the strength of both
- Utilises Layer 3 routing for load balancing, fast convergence, scalability, and control



Access Layer

Feature Rich Environment

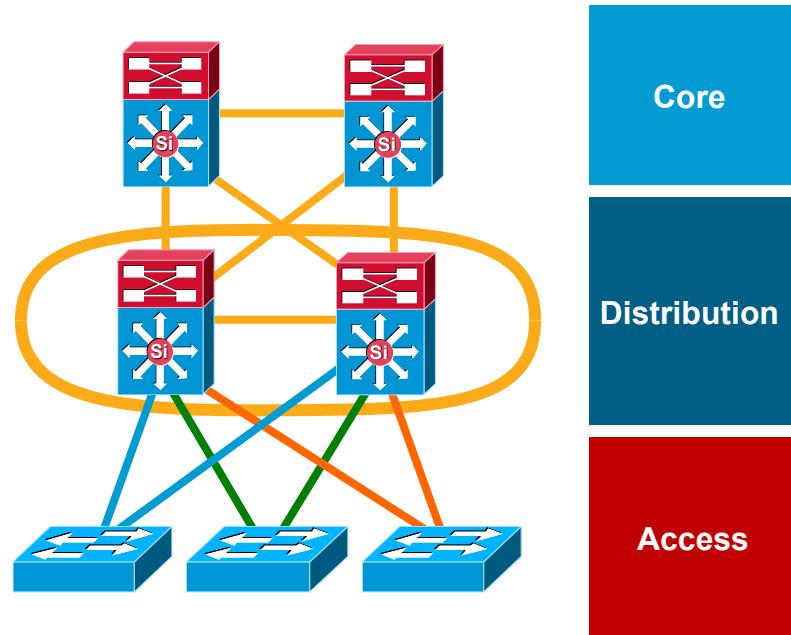
- It's not just about connectivity
- Layer 2/Layer 3 feature rich environment; convergence, HA, security, QoS, IP multicast, etc.
- Intelligent network services: QoS, trust boundary, broadcast suppression, IGMP snooping
- Intelligent network services: PVST+, Rapid PVST+, EIGRP, OSPF, DTP, PAgP/LACP, UDLD, FlexLink, etc.
- Cisco Catalyst® integrated security features IBNS (802.1x), (CISF): port security, DHCP snooping, DAI, IPSG, etc.
- Automatic phone discovery, conditional trust boundary, power over Ethernet, auxiliary VLAN, etc.
- Spanning tree toolkit: PortFast, UplinkFast, BackboneFast, LoopGuard, BPDU Guard, BPDU Filter, RootGuard, etc.



Distribution Layer

Policy, Convergence, QoS, and High Availability

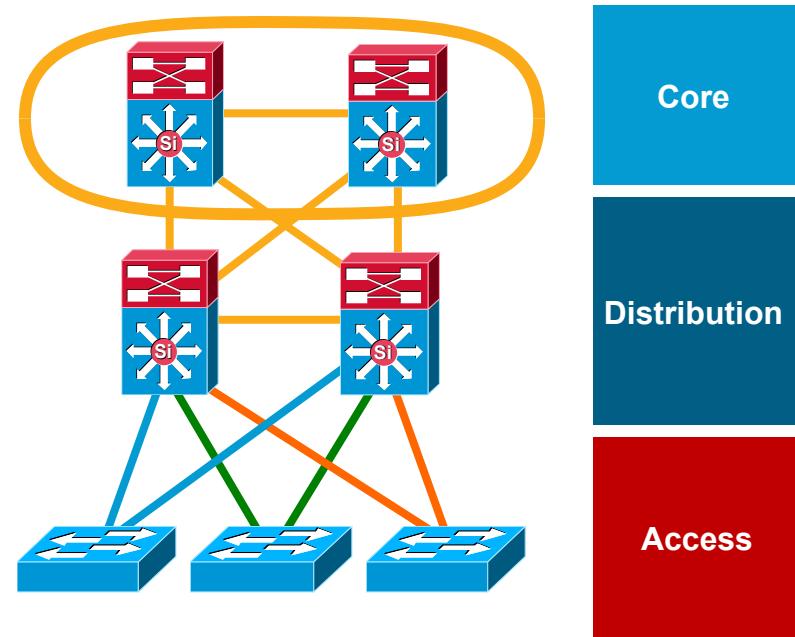
- Availability, load balancing, QoS and provisioning are the important considerations at this layer
- Aggregates wiring closets (access layer) and uplinks to core
- Protects core from high density peering and problems in access layer
- Route summarisation, fast convergence, redundant path load sharing
- HSRP or GLBP to provide first hop redundancy



Core Layer

Scalability, High Availability, and Fast Convergence

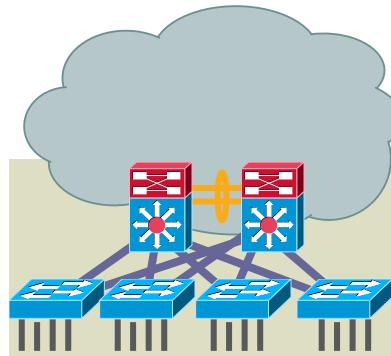
- Backbone for the network—connects network building blocks
- Performance and stability vs. complexity—less is more in the core
- Aggregation point for distribution layer
- Separate core layer helps in scalability during future growth
- Keep the design technology-independent



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It's Really a Question of Scale, Complexity, and Convergence

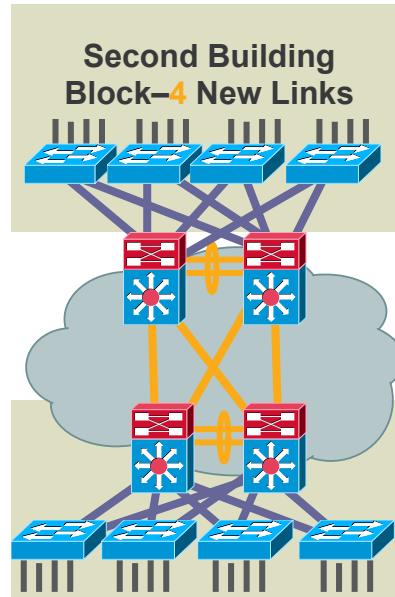
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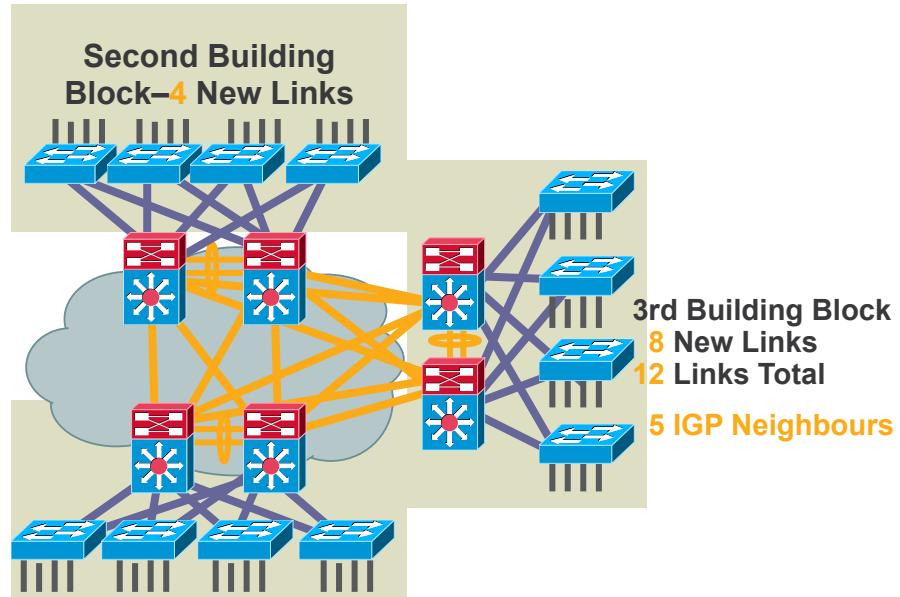
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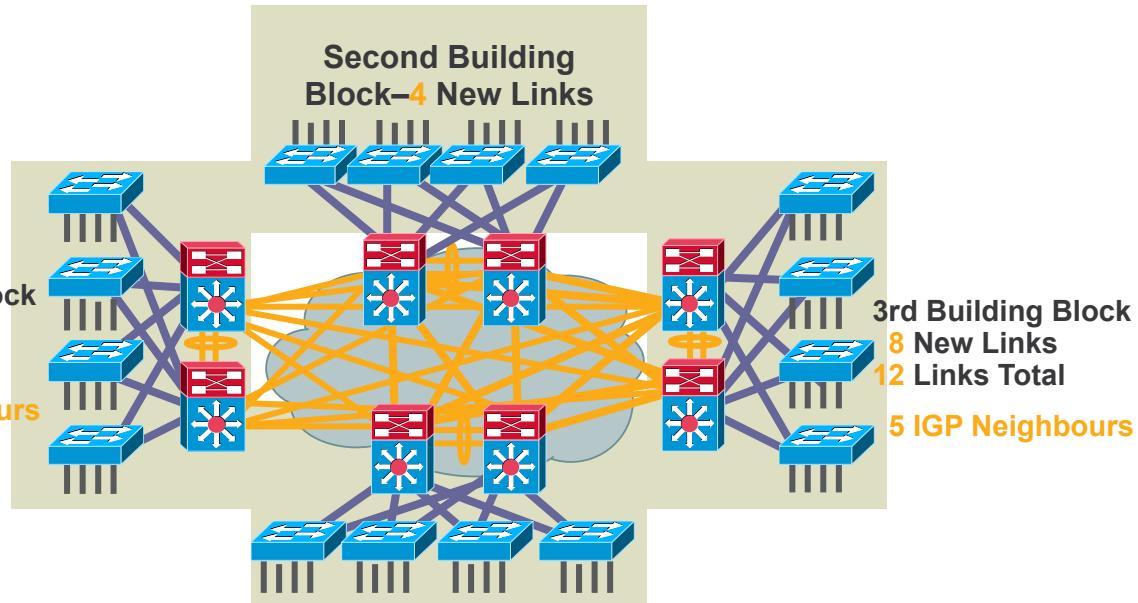
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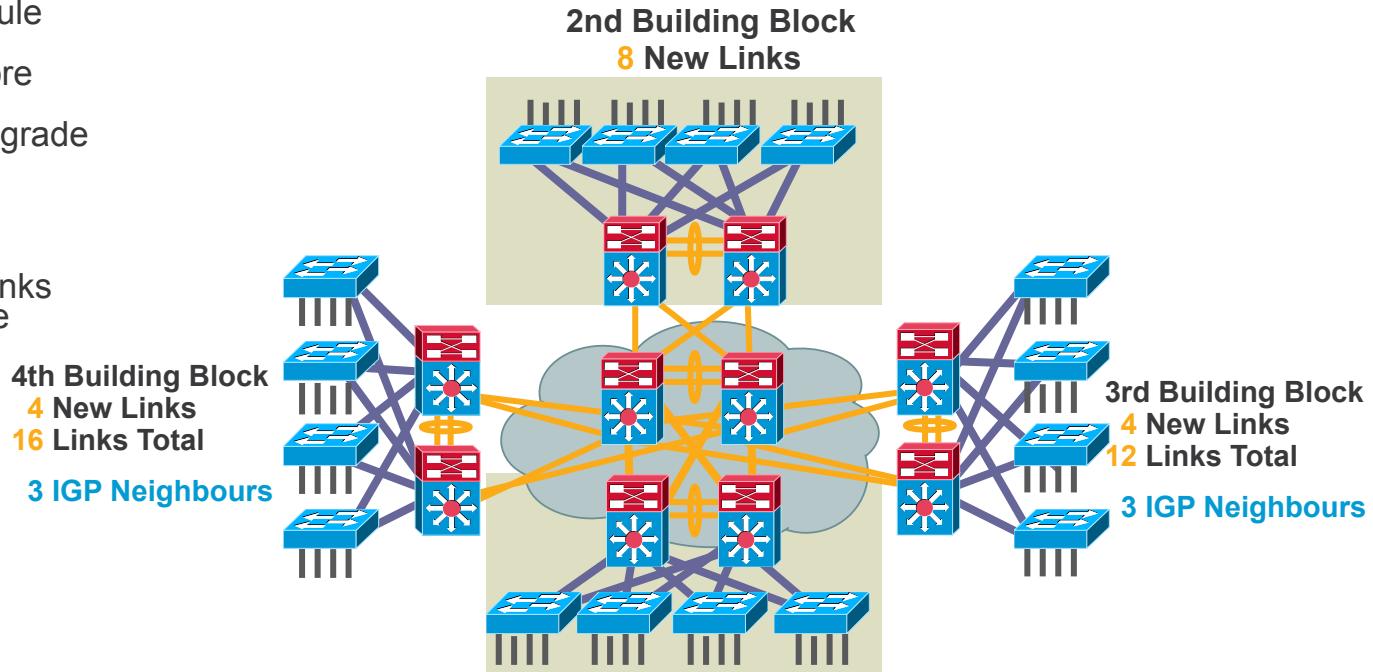
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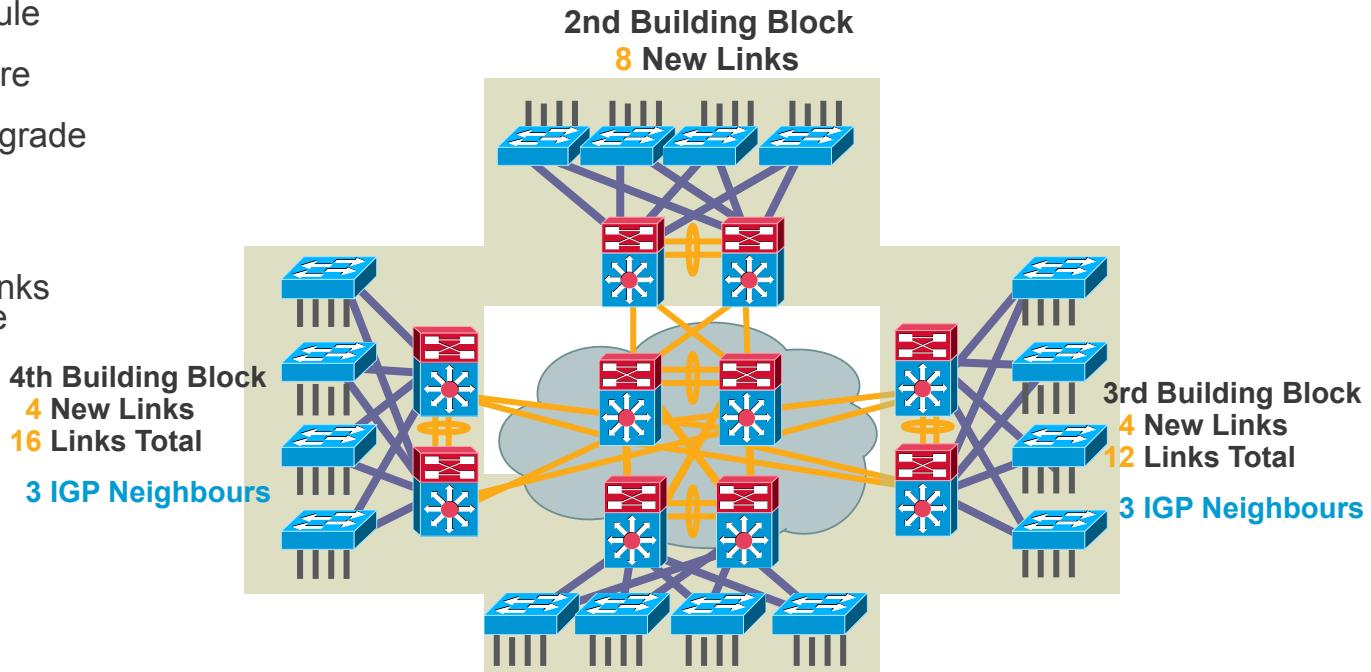
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- Easier bandwidth upgrade
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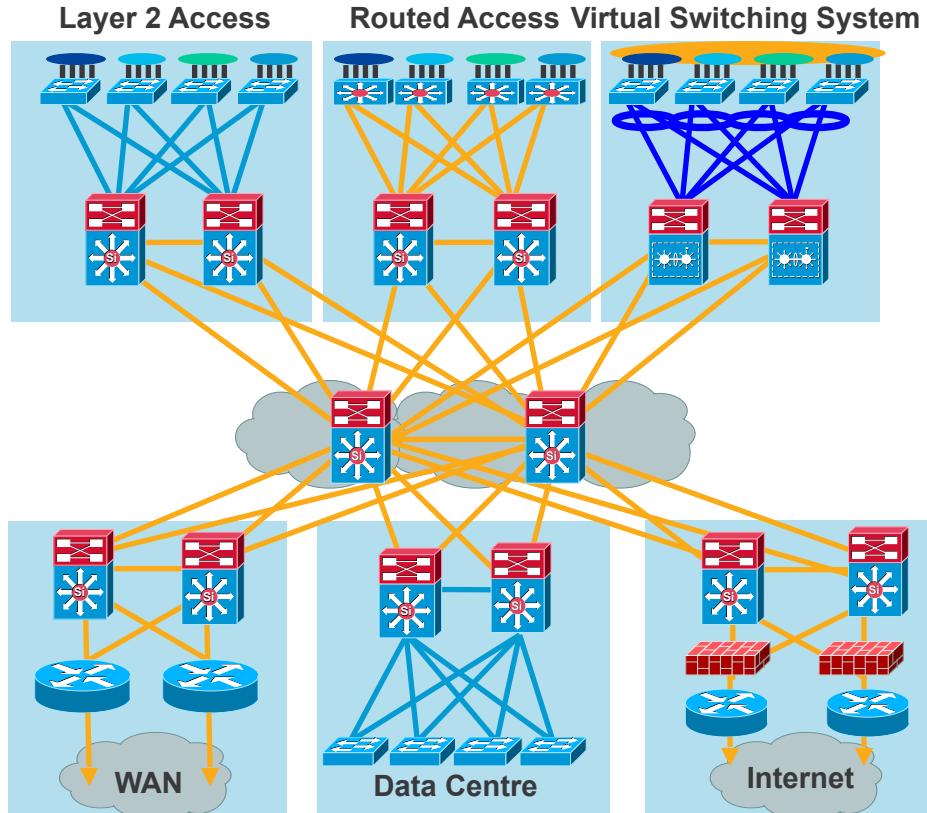
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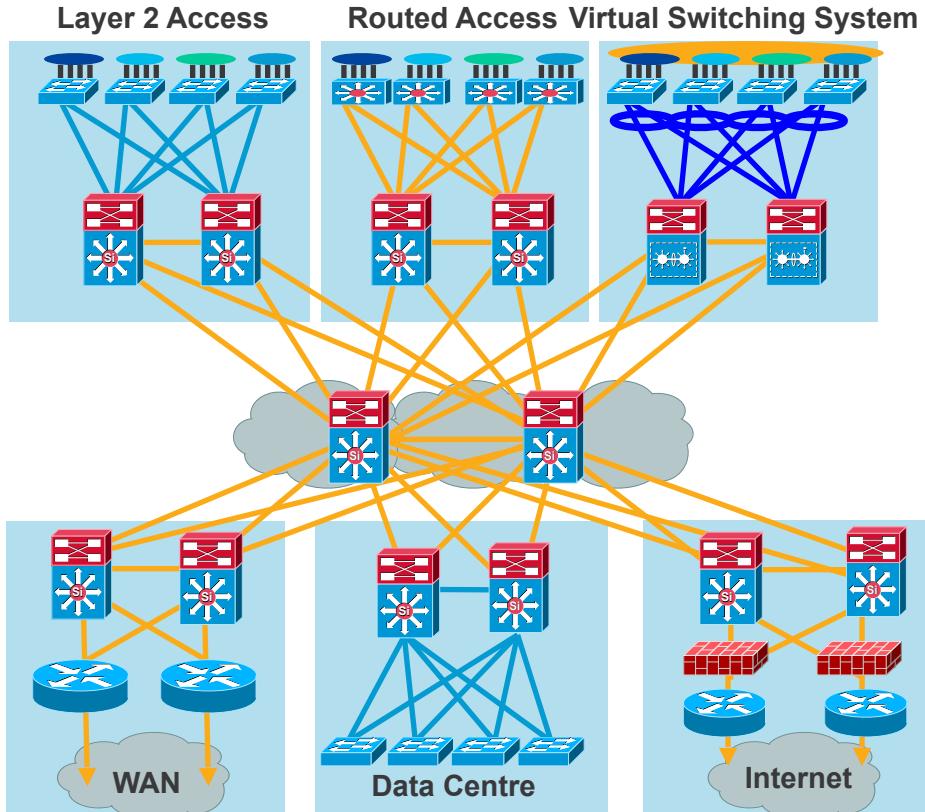
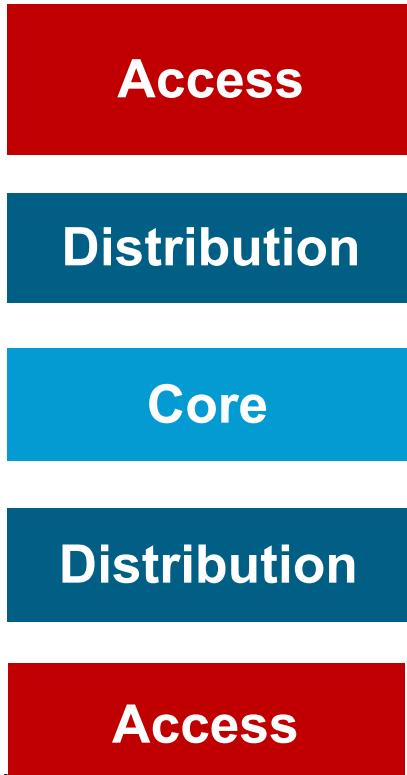
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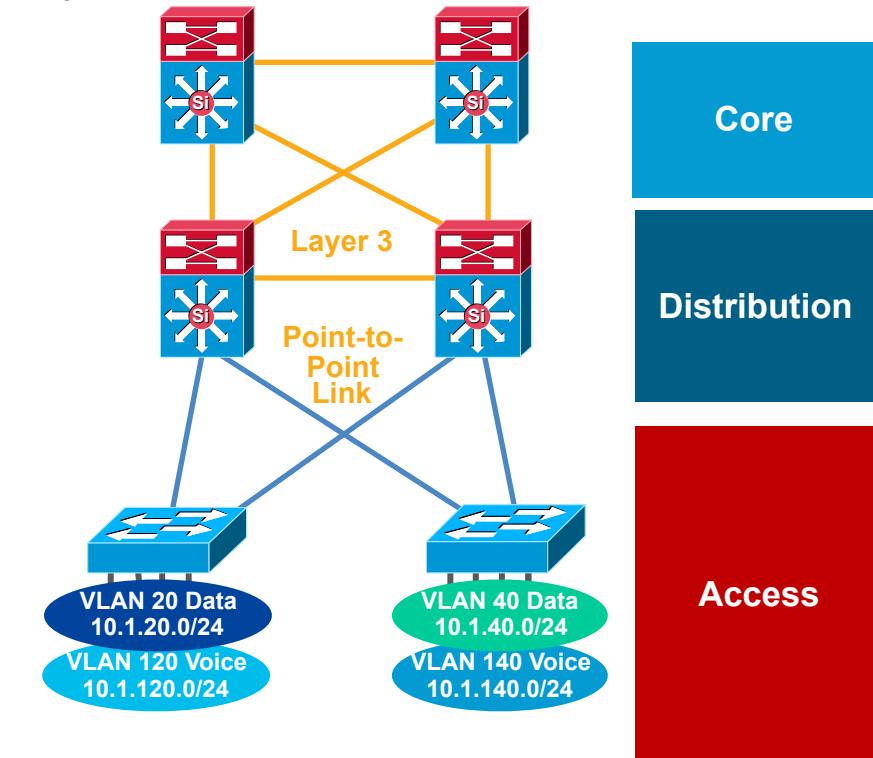
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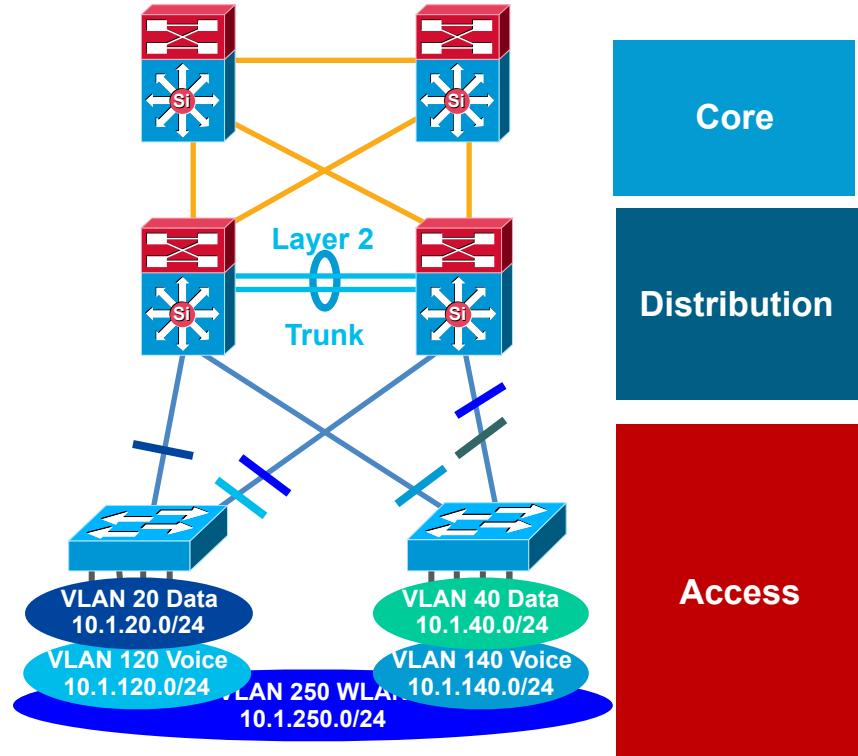
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- Limit redundant IGP peering
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- Set trunk mode on/no-negotiate
- Disable Ether Channel unless needed
- Set port host on access layer ports:
 - Disable trunking
 - Disable Ether Channel
 - Enable PortFast
- RootGuard or BPDU-Guard
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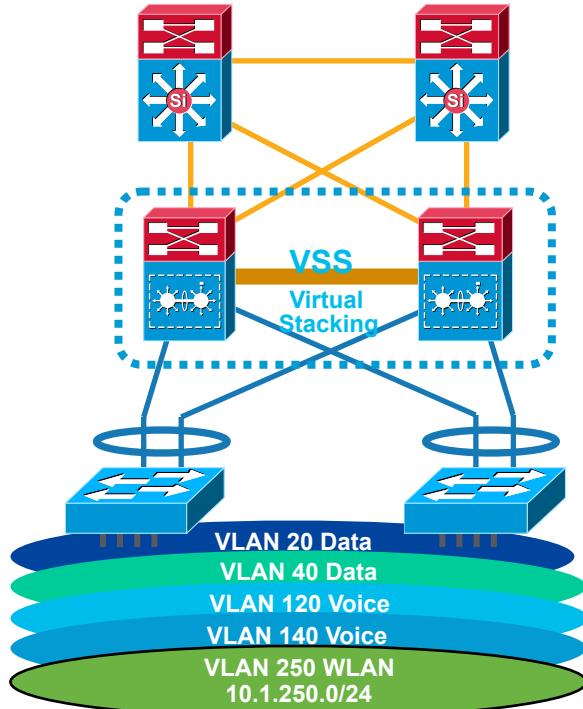
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- RootGuard on downlinks
- LoopGuard on uplinks
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Virtual Switching System & Virtual Stacking

L2 with-out a STP Liability



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Routing to the Edge

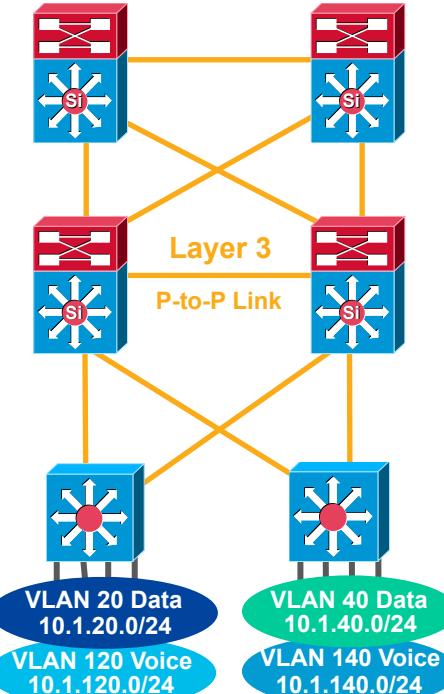
Advantages, Yes in the Right Environment

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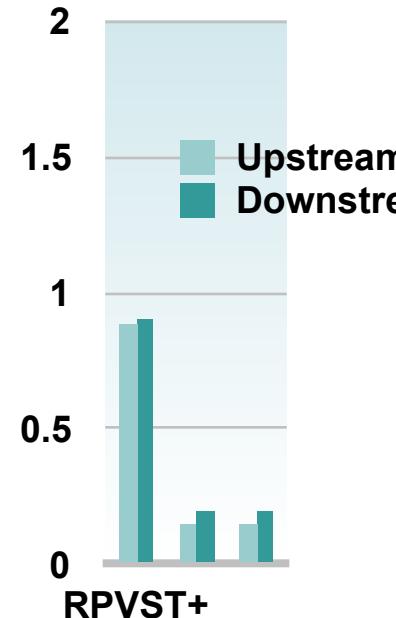
- Ease of implementation, less to get right
 - No matching of STP/HSRP/GLBP priority
 - No L2/L3 Multicast topology inconsistencies
- Single Control Plane and well known tool set
 - traceroute, show ip route, show ip eigrp neighbour, etc....
- Most Catalysts support L3 Switching today
- EIGRP converges in <200 msec
- OSPF with sub-second tuning converges in <200 msec
- RPVST+ convergence times dependent on GLBP / HSRP tuning

Considerations:

- Do you have any Layer 2 VLAN adjacency requirements between access switches?
- IP addressing—Do you have enough address space and the allocation plan to support a routed access design?



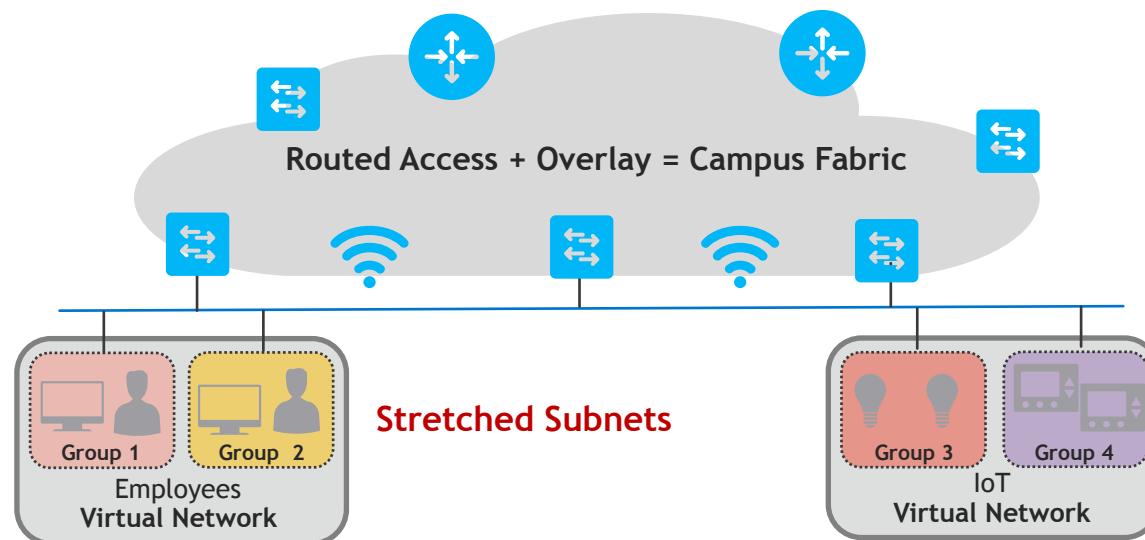
Both L2 and L3 Can Provide Sub-Second Convergence





Campus Fabric – The Foundation for SDA

Architecture for the Digital Enterprise





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IT Challenge (Business): Network Uptime

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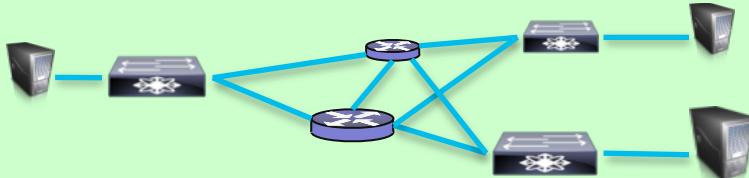
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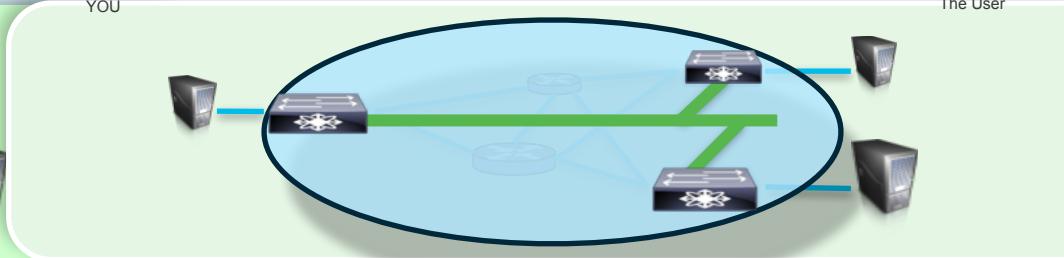
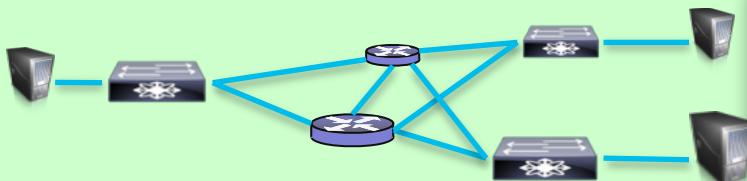
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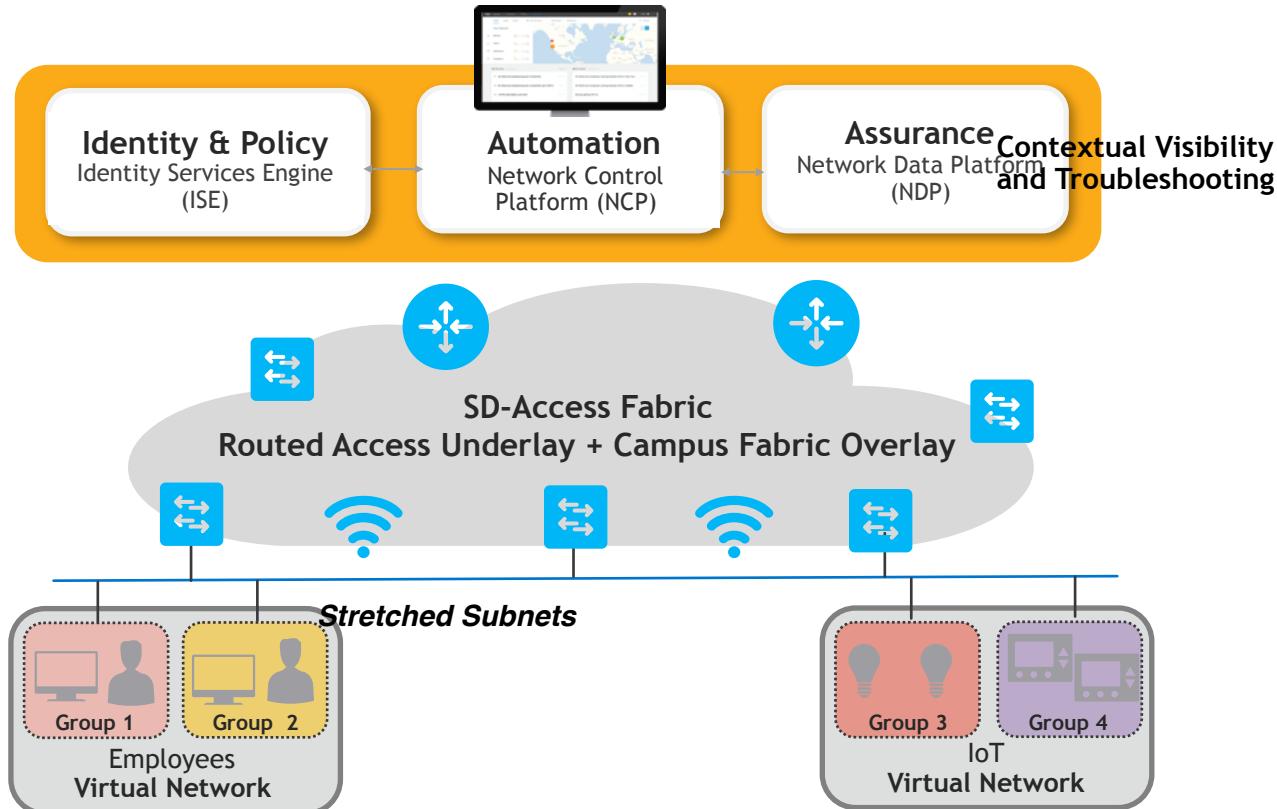
- Mobility - Map Endpoints to Edges
- Services - Deliver using Overlay
- Scalability - Reduce Protocol State
- Flexible and Programmable



SD-Access = Automated Campus Fabric

Architecture for the Digital Enterprise

Policy Mobility
with no Topology
Dependence

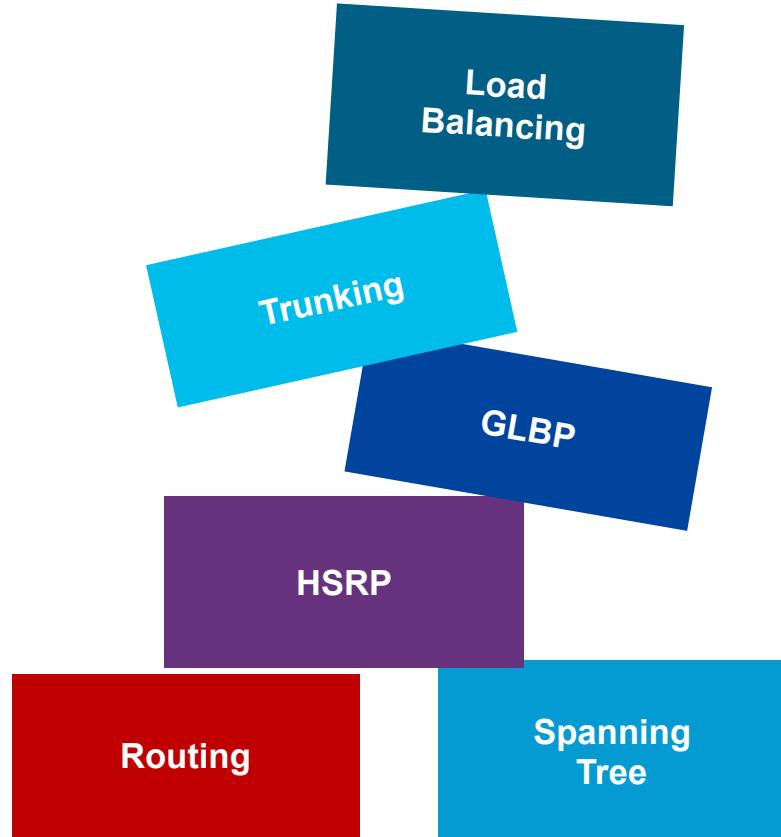


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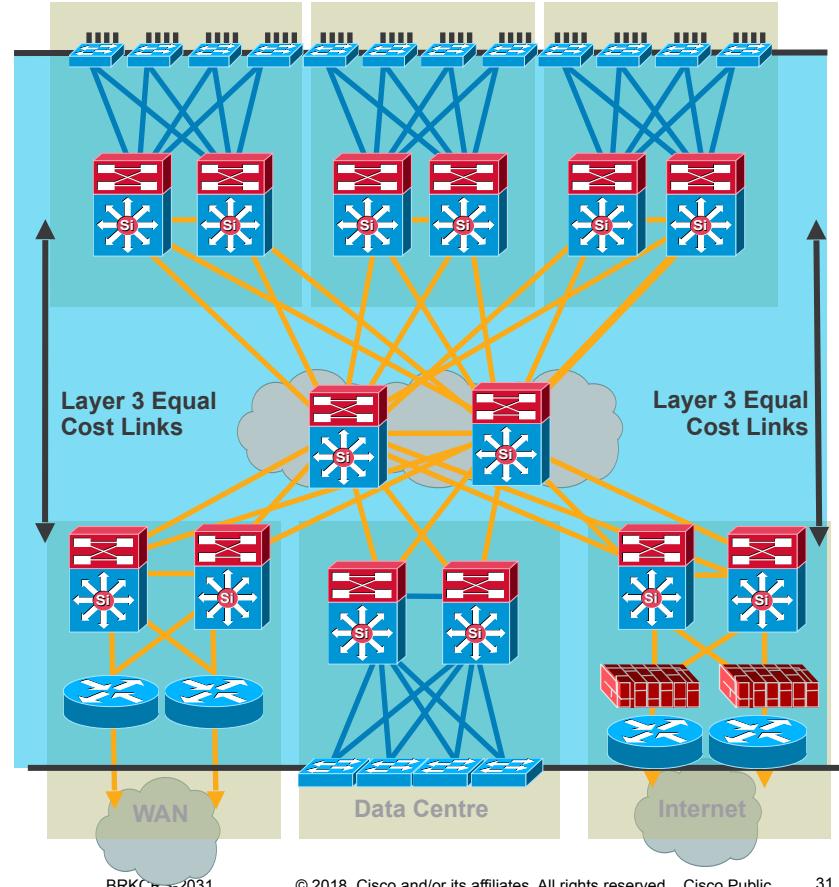
Foundation Services

- Layer 1 physical things
- Layer 2 redundancy—spanning tree
- Layer 3 routing protocols
- Trunking protocols—(ISL/.1q)
- Unidirectional link detection
- Load balancing
 - Ether Channel link aggregation
 - CEF equal cost load balancing
- First hop redundancy protocols
 - VRRP, HSRP, and GLBP



Best Practices - Layer 1 Physical Things

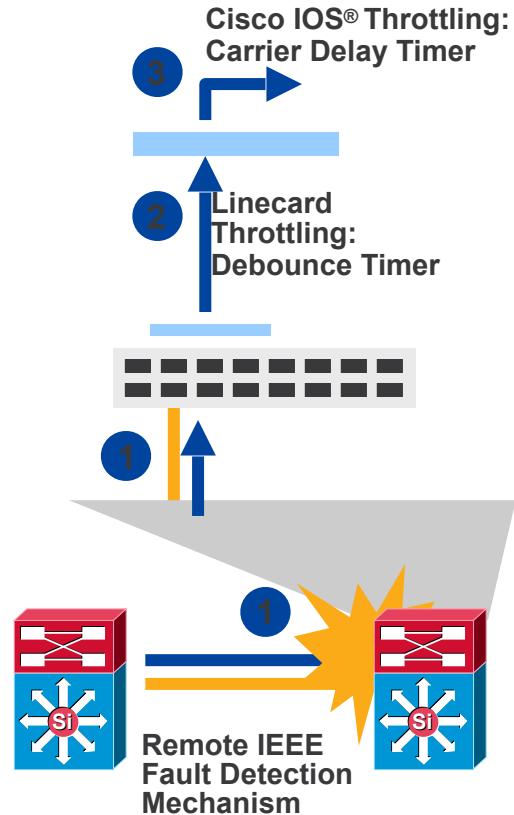
- Use point-to-point interconnections - no L2 aggregation points between nodes
- Use fibre for best convergence (debounce timer)
- Tune carrier delay timer
- Use configuration on the physical interface not VLAN/SVI when possible



Redundancy and Protocol Interaction

Link Redundancy and Failure Detection

- Direct point-to-point fibre provides for fast failure detection
- IEEE 802.3z and 802.3ae link negotiation define the use of remote fault indicator and link fault signalling mechanisms
- Bit D13 in the Fast Link Pulse (FLP) can be set to indicate a physical fault to the remote side
- Do not disable auto-negotiation on GigE and 10GigE interfaces
- The default debounce timer on GigE and 10GigE fibre linecards is 10 msec
- The minimum debounce for copper is 300 msec
- Carrier-delay
 - 3560, 3750, and 4500—0 msec
 - 6500—leave it set at default



Redundancy and Protocol Interaction

Layer 2 and 3 - Why Use Routed Interfaces

- Configuring L3 routed interfaces provides for faster convergence than an L2 switch port with an associated L3 SVI



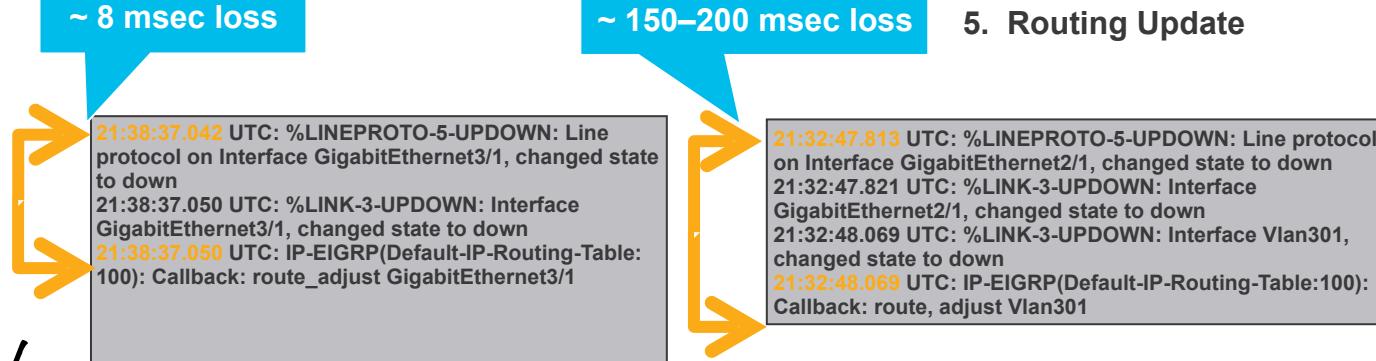
1. Link Down
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3. Routing Update

~ 8 msec loss

~ 150–200 msec loss

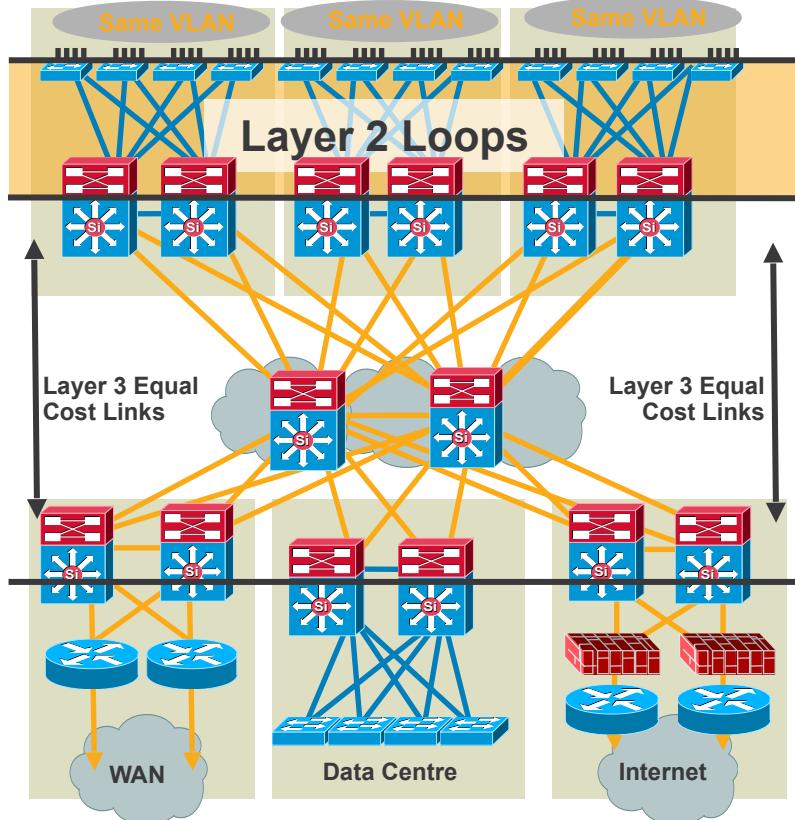


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2. Interface Down
3. Autostate
4. SVI Down
5. Routing Update



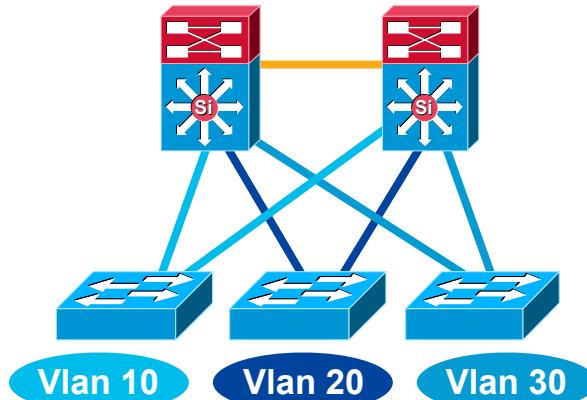
Best Practices - Spanning Tree Configuration

- Only span VLAN across multiple access layer switches when you have to!
- Use rapid PVST+ for best convergence
- More common in the data centre
- Required to protect against user side loops
- Required to protect against operational accidents (misconfiguration or hardware failure)
- Take advantage of the spanning tree toolkit

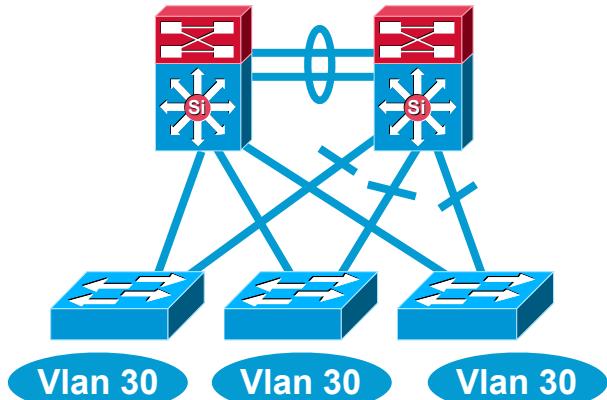


Multilayer Network Design

Layer 2 Access with Layer 3 Distribution



- Each access switch has unique VLANs
- No Layer 2 loops
- Layer 3 link between distribution
- No blocked links

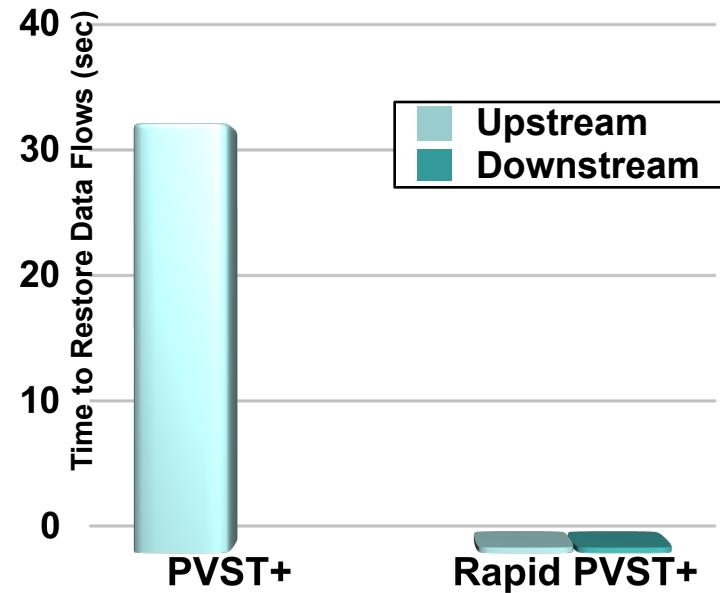


- At least some VLANs span multiple access switches
- Layer 2 loops
- Layer 2 and 3 running over link between distribution
- Blocked links

Optimising L2 Convergence

PVST+, Rapid PVST+ or MST

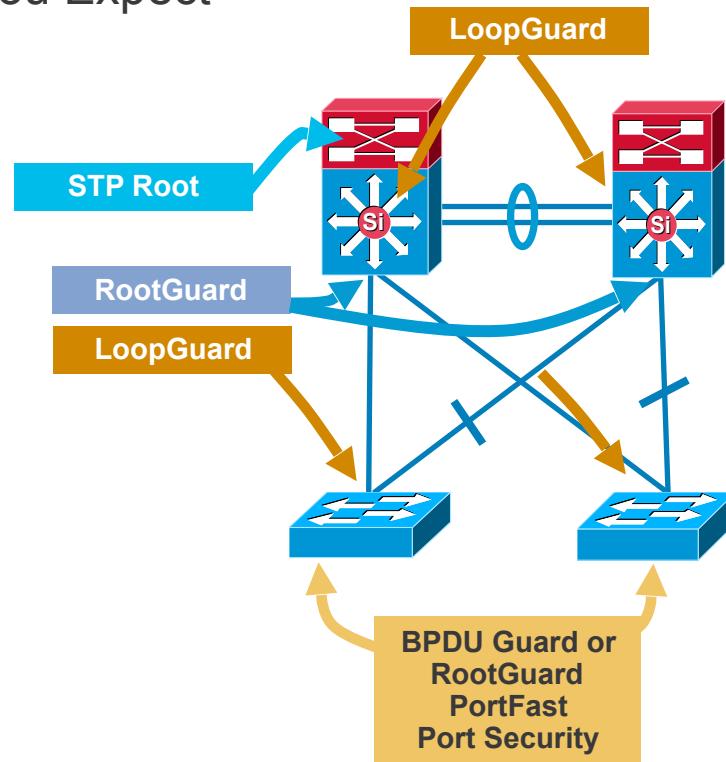
- Rapid-PVST+ greatly improves the restoration times for any VLAN that requires a topology convergence due to link UP
- Rapid-PVST+ also greatly improves convergence time over backbone fast for any indirect link failures
- PVST+ (802.1d)
 - Traditional spanning tree implementation
- Rapid PVST+ (802.1w)
 - Scales to large size (~10,000 logical ports)
 - Easy to implement, proven, scales
- MST (802.1s)
 - Permits very large scale STP implementations (~30,000 logical ports)
 - Not as flexible as rapid PVST+



Layer 2 Hardening

Spanning Tree Should Behave the Way You Expect

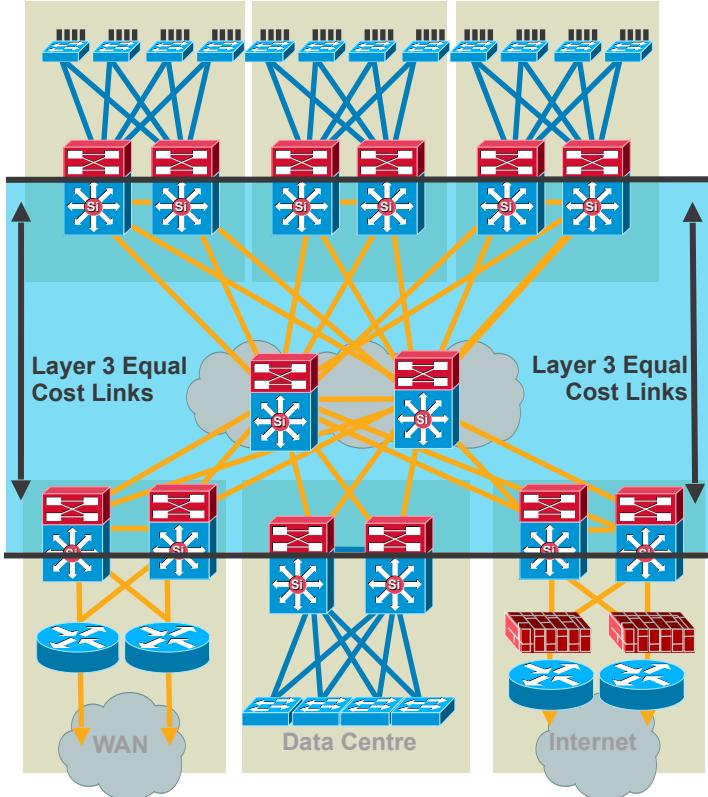
- Place the root where you want it
 - Root primary/secondary macro
- The root bridge should stay where you put it
 - RootGuard
 - LoopGuard
 - UplinkFast
 - UDLD
- Only end-station traffic should be seen on an edge port
 - BPDU Guard
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 - PortFast
 - Port-security



Best Practices

Layer 3 Routing Protocols

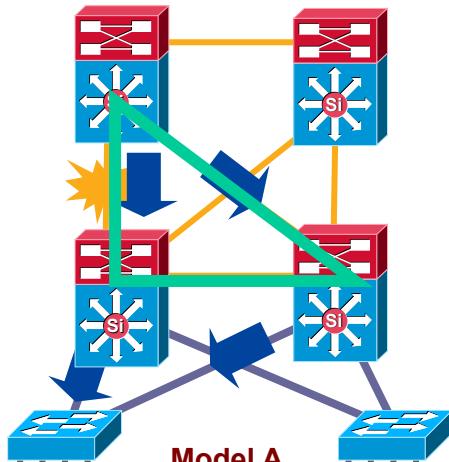
- Typically deployed in distribution to core, and core-to-core interconnections
- Used to quickly reroute around failed node/links while providing load balancing over redundant paths
- Build triangles not squares for deterministic convergence
- Only peer on links that you intend to use as transit
- Insure redundant L3 paths to avoid black holes
- Summarise distribution to core to limit EIGRP query diameter or OSPF LSA propagation
- Tune CEF L3/L4 load balancing hash to achieve maximum utilisation of equal cost paths (CEF polarisation)



Best Practice - Build Triangles not Squares

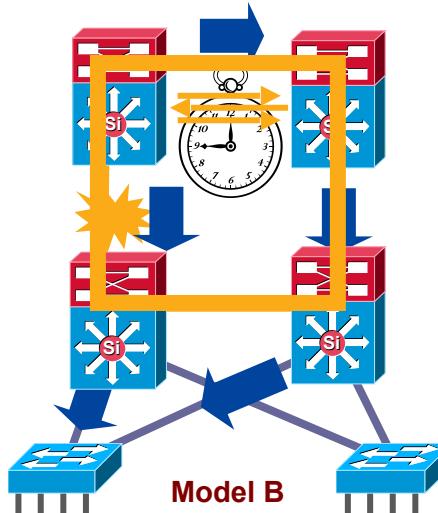
Deterministic vs. Non-Deterministic

Triangles: Link/Box Failure Does **not** Require Routing Protocol Convergence



- Layer 3 redundant equal cost links support fast convergence
- Hardware based—fast recovery to remaining path
- Convergence is extremely fast (dual equal-cost paths: no need for OSPF or EIGRP to recalculate a new path)

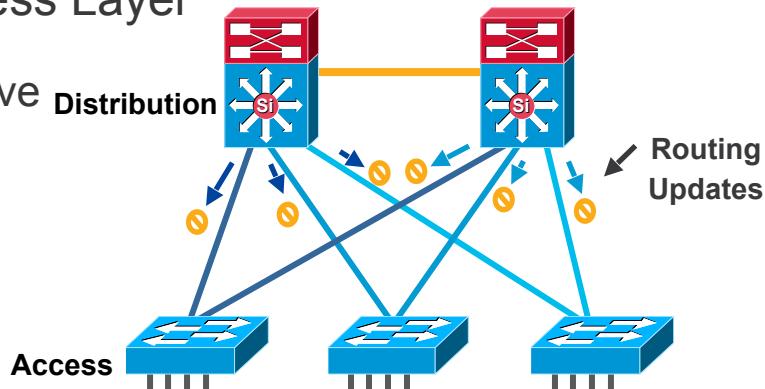
Squares: Link/Box Failure Requires Routing Protocol Convergence



Best Practice - Passive Interfaces for IGP

Limit IGP Peering Through the Access Layer

- Limit unnecessary peering using passive interface:
 - Four VLANs per wiring closet
 - 12 adjacencies total
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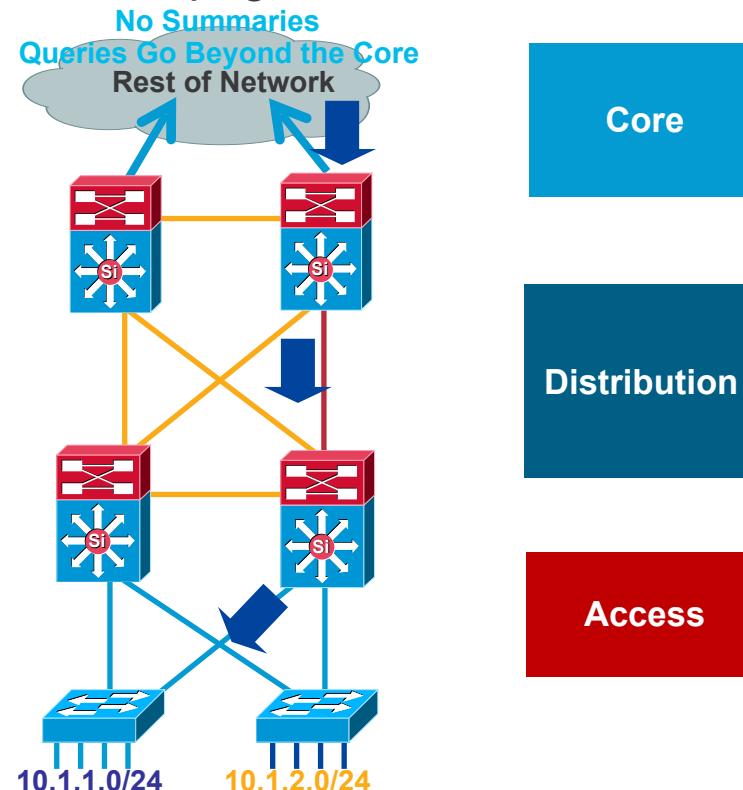
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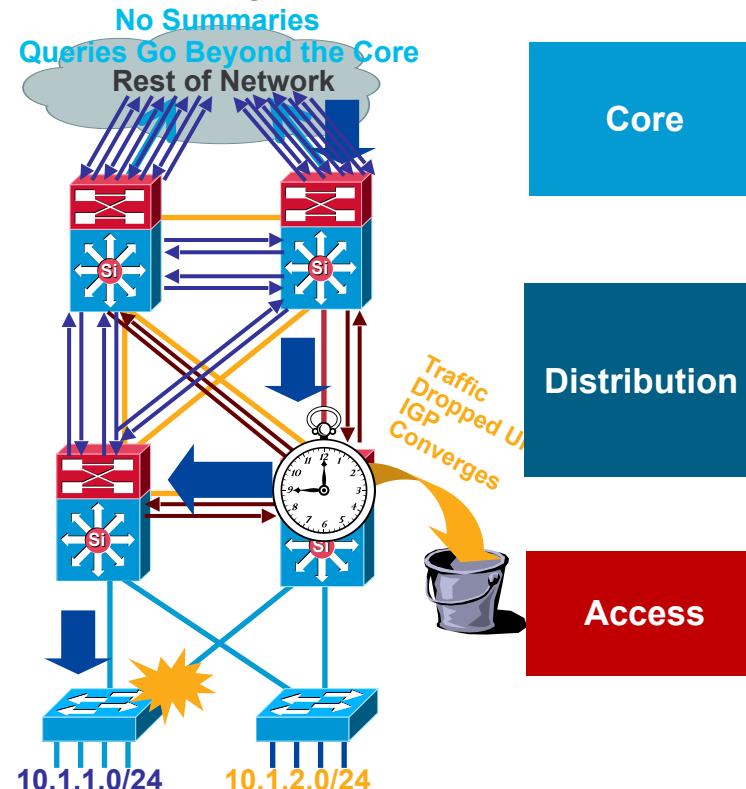


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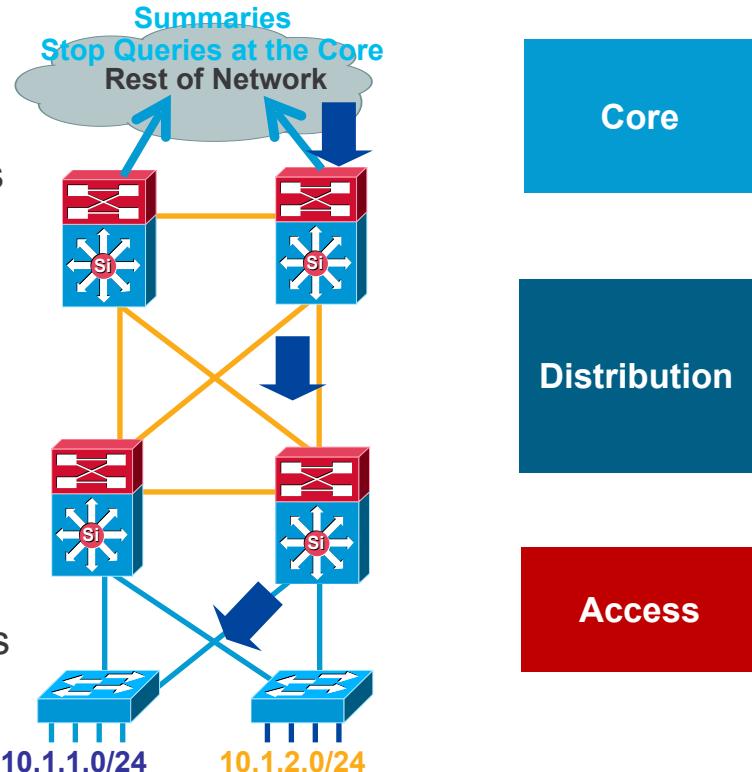
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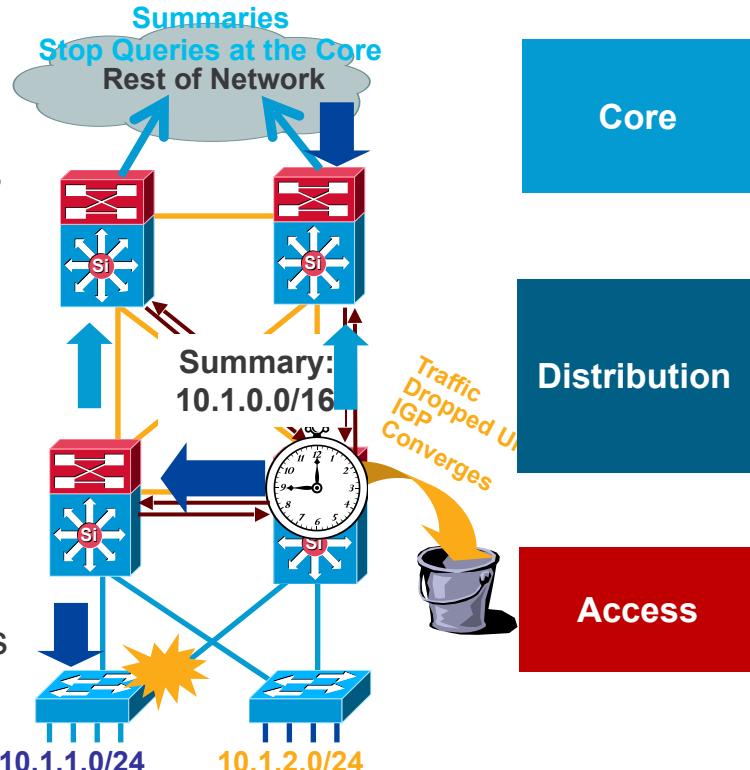
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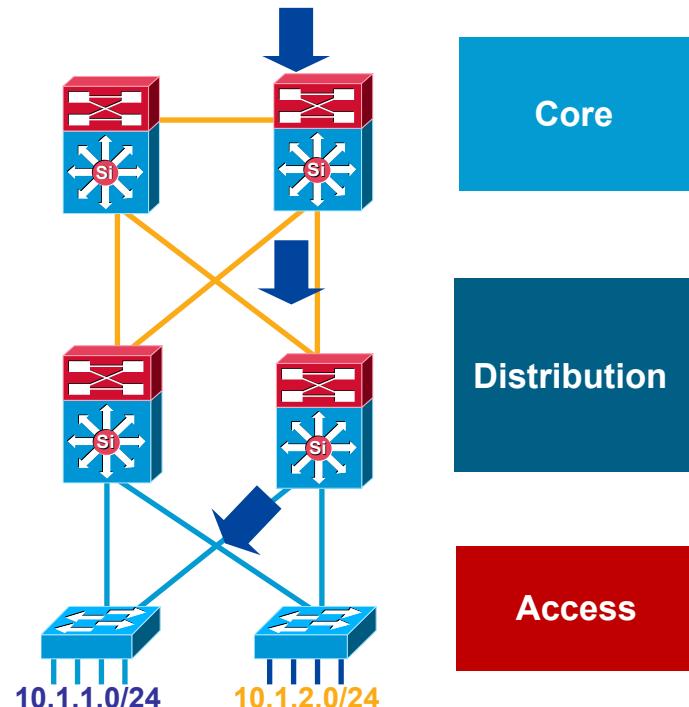
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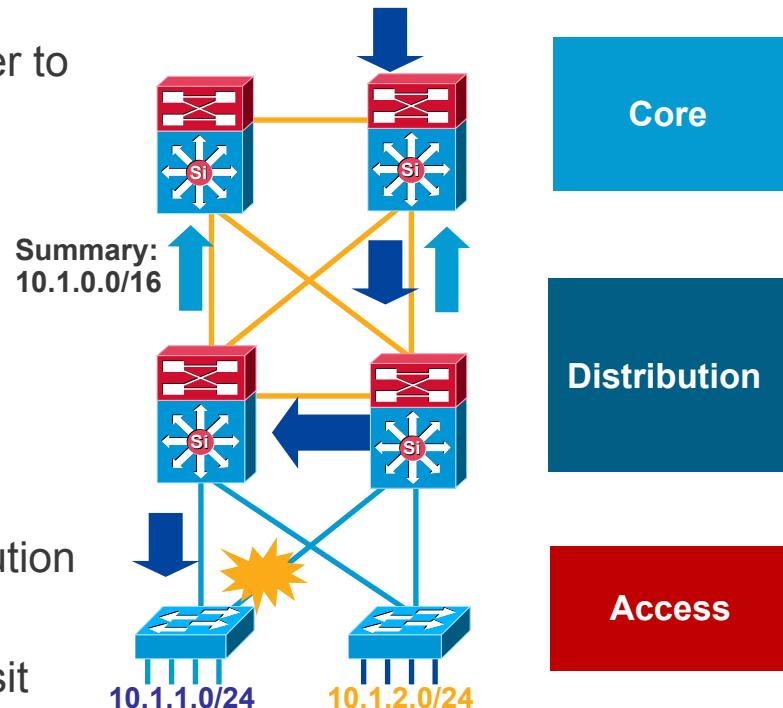
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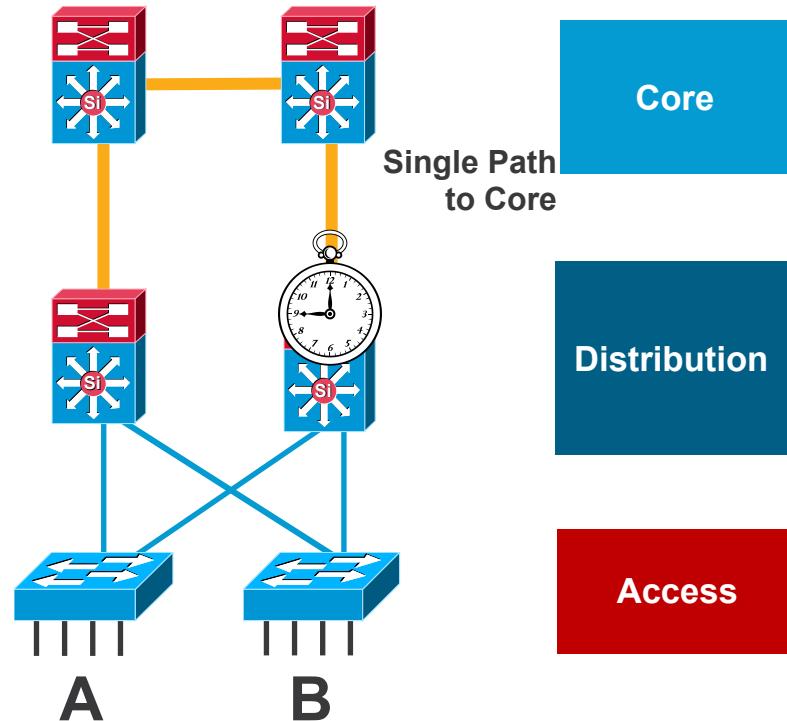
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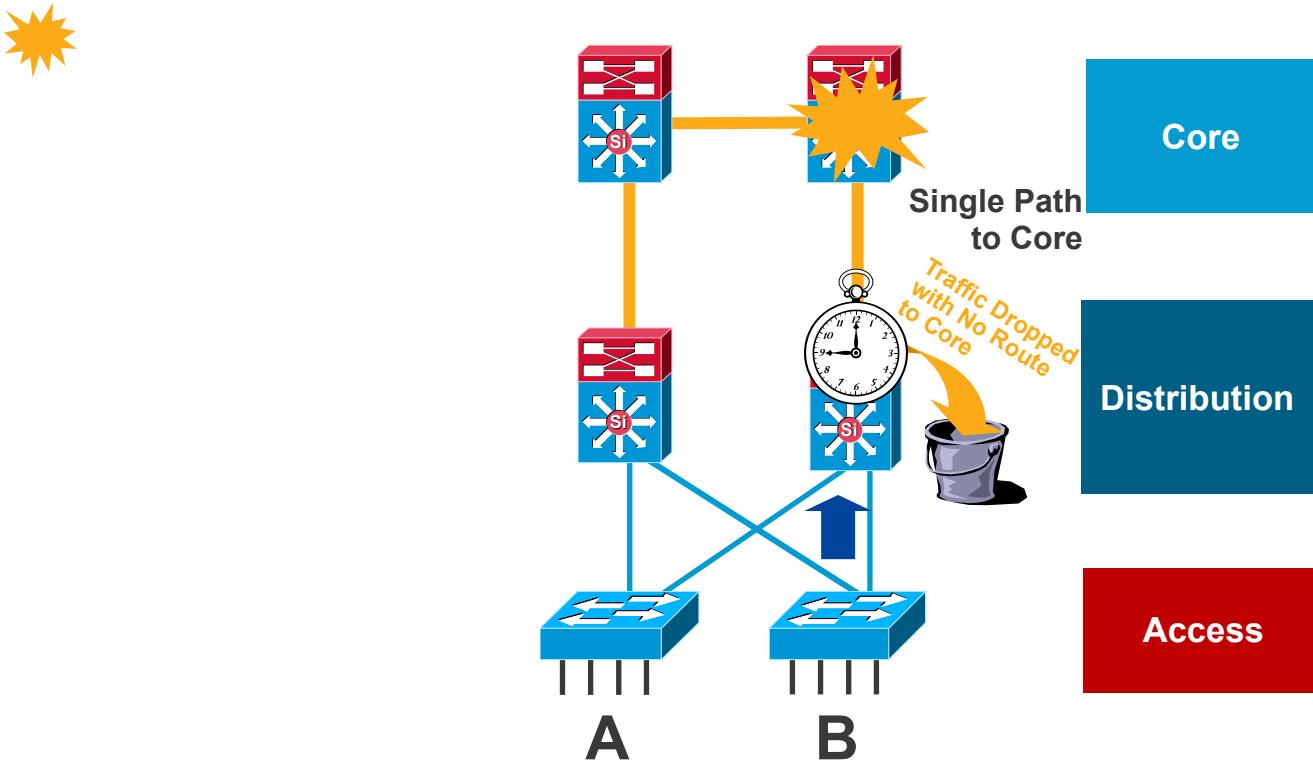
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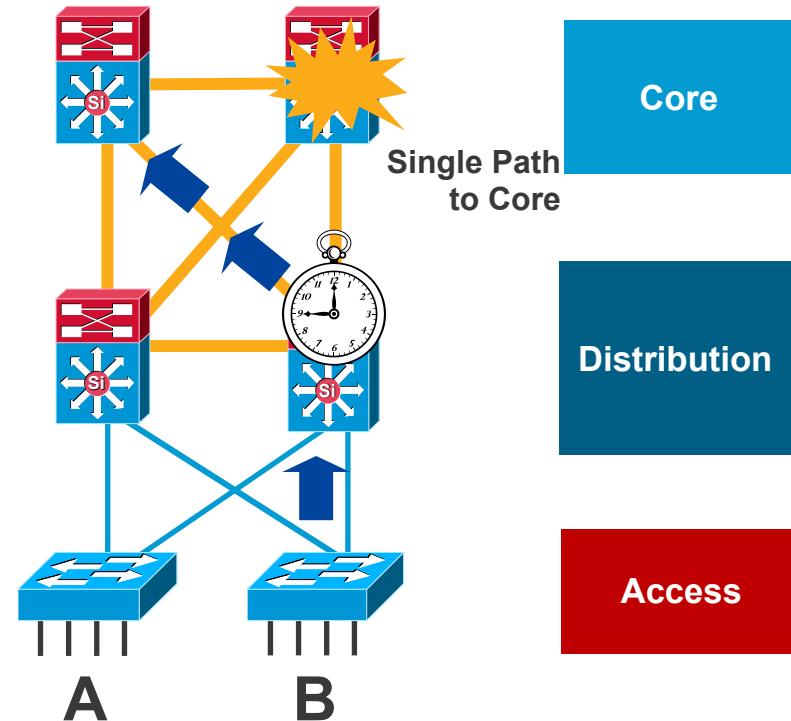


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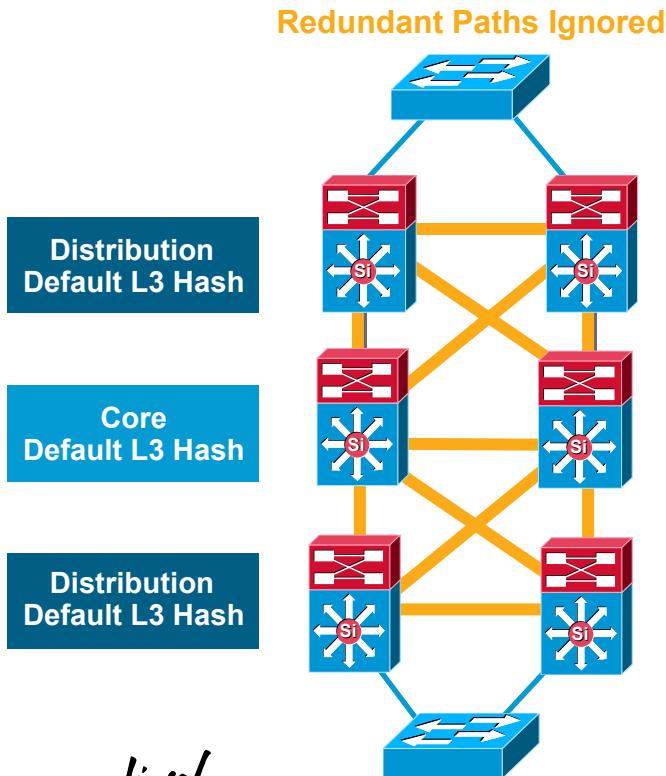
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- What happens if ⚡ fails?
- No route to the core anymore?
- Allow the traffic to go through the access?
 - Do you want to use your access switches as transit nodes?
 - How do you design for scalability if the access used for transit traffic?
- Install a redundant link to the core
- Best practice: install redundant link to core and utilise L3 link between distribution layer



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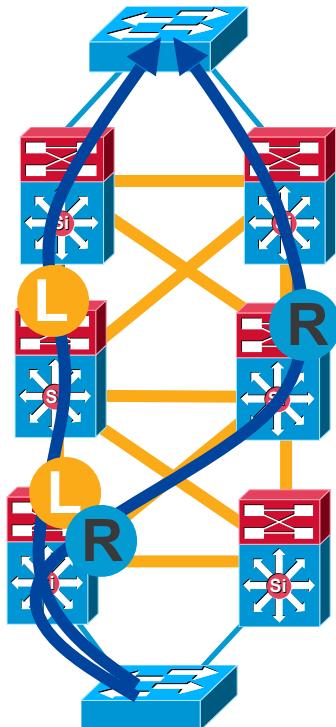


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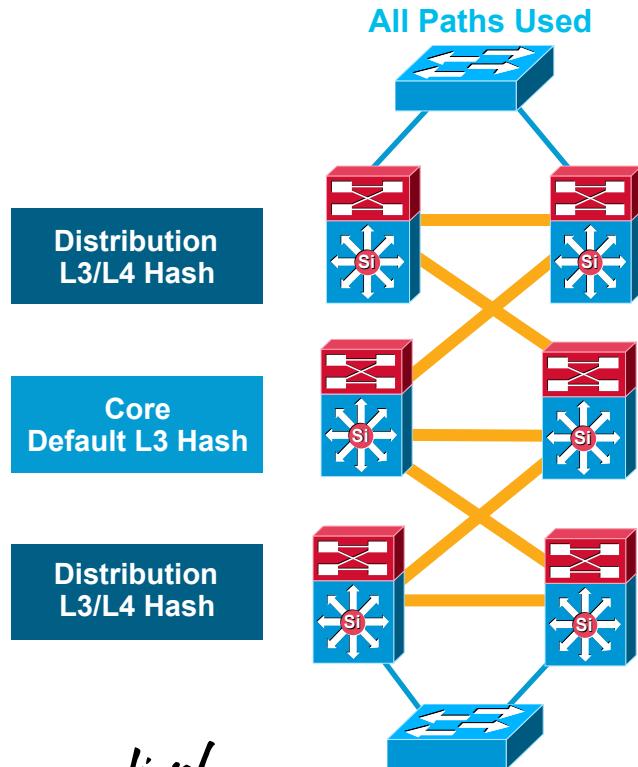
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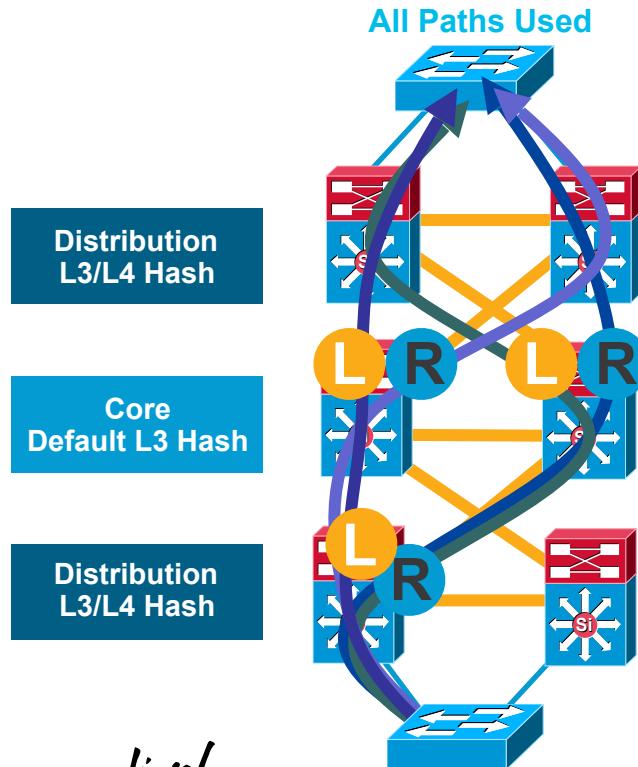
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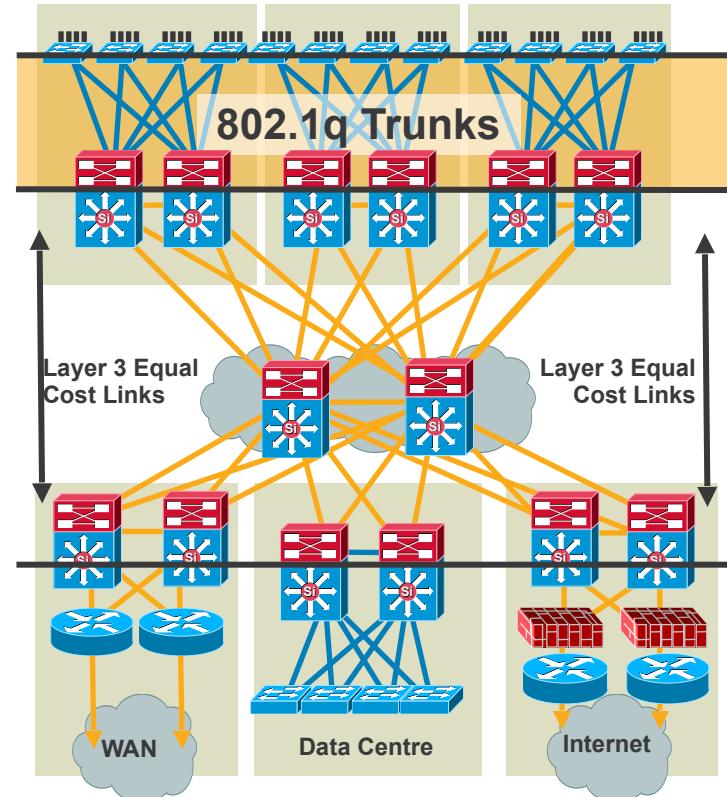
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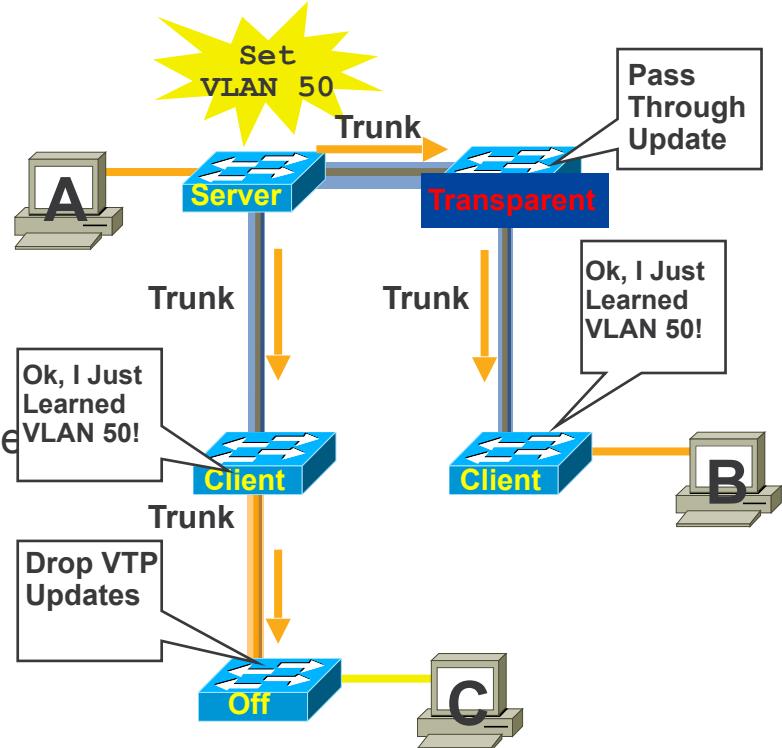
Best Practices - Trunk Configuration

- Typically deployed on interconnection between access and distribution layers
- Use VTP transparent mode to decrease potential for operational error
- Hard set trunk mode to on and encapsulation negotiate off for optimal convergence
- Change the native VLAN to something unused to avoid VLAN hopping
- Manually prune all VLANS except those needed
- Disable on host ports:
 - Cisco IOS: switchport host



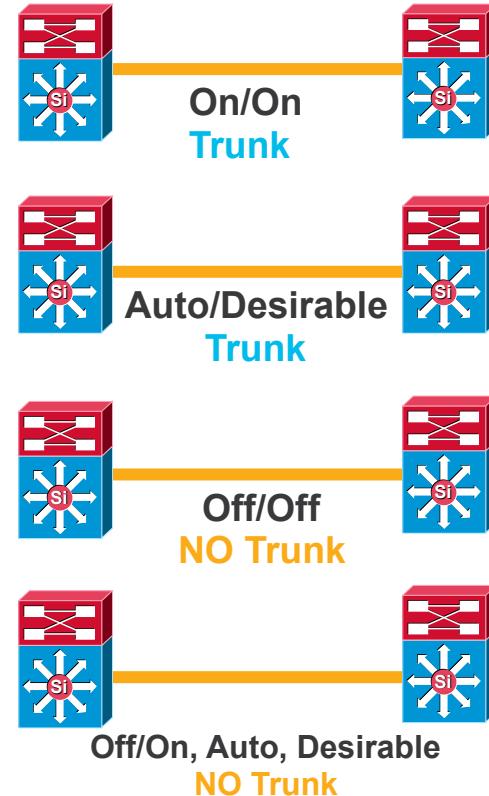
VTP Virtual Trunk Protocol

- Centralised VLAN management
- VTP server switch propagates VLAN database to VTP client switches
- Runs only on trunks
- Four modes:
 - Server: updates clients and servers
 - Client: receive updates— cannot make changes
 - Transparent: let updates pass through
 - Off: ignores VTP updates



DTP Dynamic Trunk Protocol

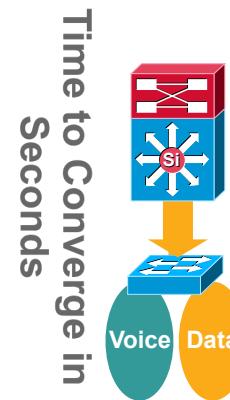
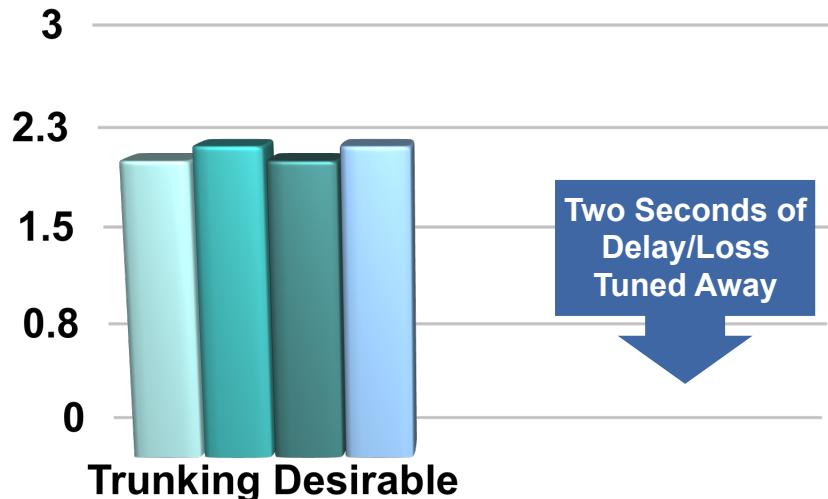
- Automatic formation of trunked switch-to-switch interconnection
 - On: always be a trunk
 - Desirable: ask if the other side can/will
 - Auto: if the other sides asks I will
 - Off: don't become a trunk
- Negotiation of 802.1Q or ISL encapsulation
 - ISL: try to use ISL trunk encapsulation
 - 802.1q: try to use 802.1q encapsulation
 - Negotiate: negotiate ISL or 802.1q encapsulation with peer
 - Non-negotiate: always use encapsulation that is hard set



Optimising Convergence: Trunk Tuning

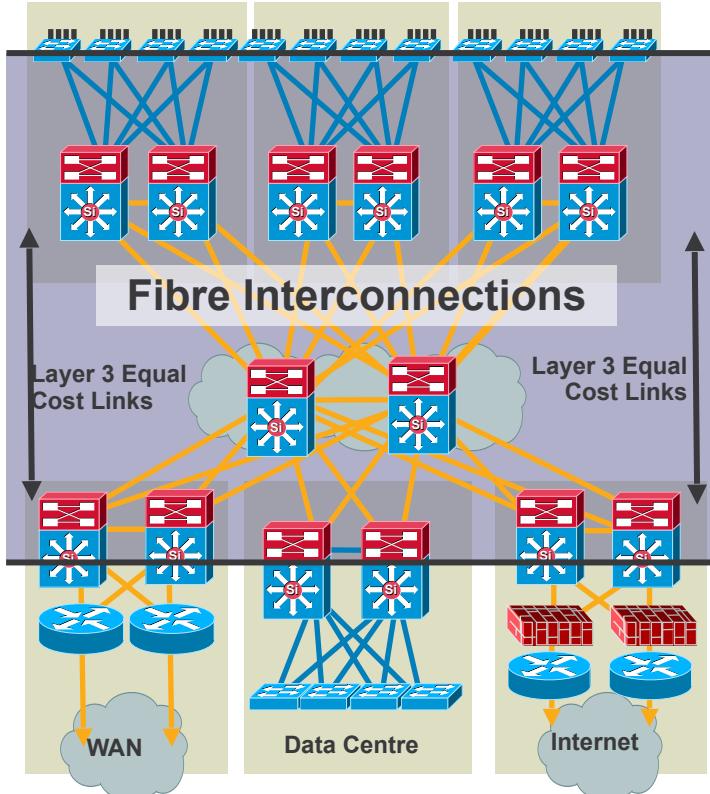
Trunk Auto/Desirable Takes Some Time

- DTP negotiation tuning improves link up convergence time
 - IOS(config-if)# switchport mode trunk
 - IOS(config-if)# switchport nonegotiate



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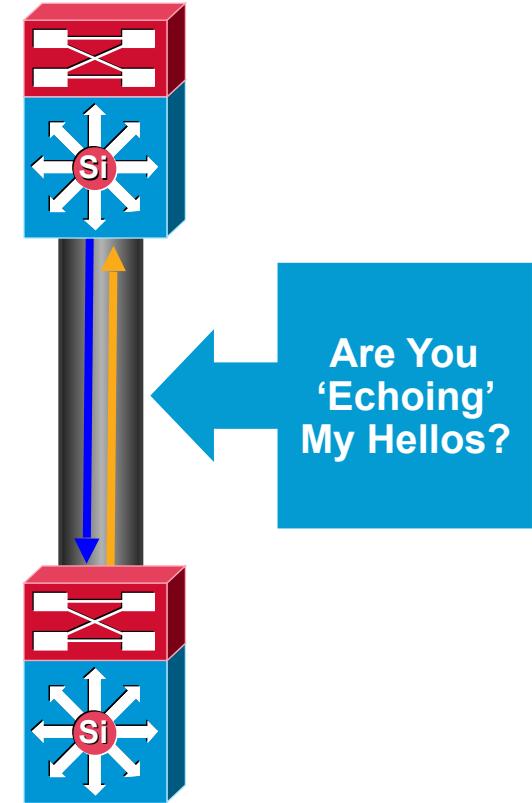
- Typically deployed on any fibre optic interconnection
- Use UDLD aggressive mode for most aggressive protection
- Turn on in global configuration to avoid operational error/misses
- Config example
 - Cisco IOS: udld aggressive



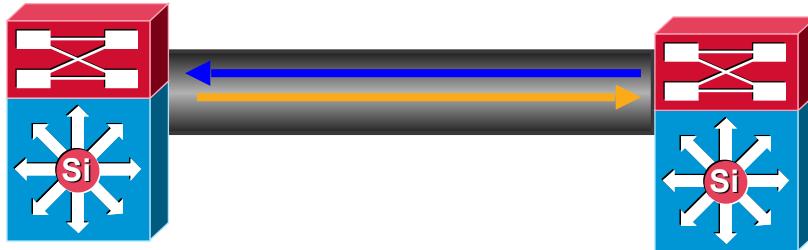
Unidirectional Link Detection

Protecting Against One-Way Communication

- Highly-available networks require UDLD to protect against one-way communication or partially failed links and the effect that they could have on protocols like STP and RSTP
- Primarily used on fibre optic links where patch panel errors could cause link up/up with mismatched transmit/receive pairs
- Each switch port configured for UDLD will send UDLD protocol packets (at L2) containing the port's own device/port ID, and the neighbour's device/port IDs seen by UDLD on that port
- Neighbouring ports should see their own device/port ID (echo) in the packets received from the other side
- If the port does not see its own device/port ID in the incoming UDLD packets for a specific duration of time, the link is considered unidirectional and is shutdown

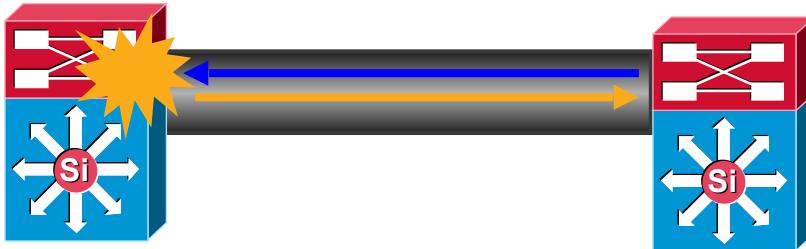


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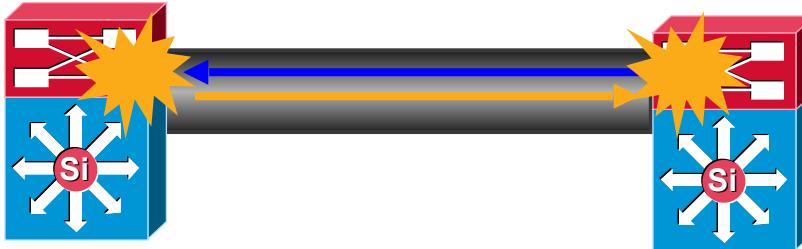
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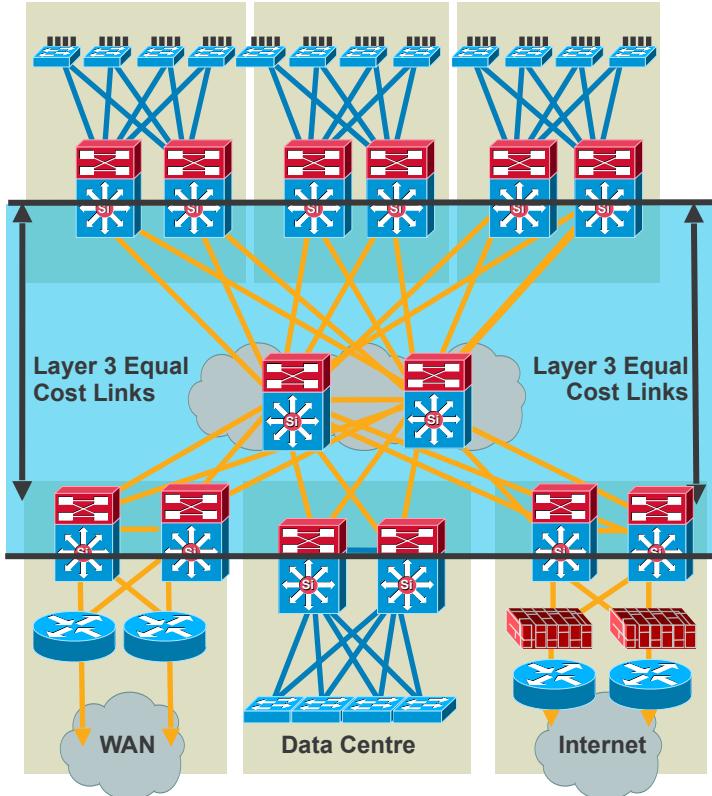
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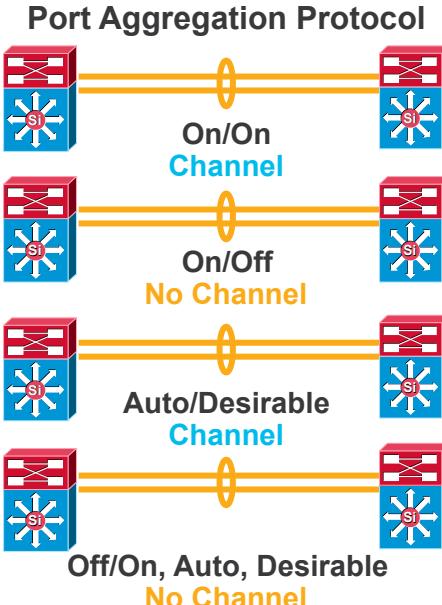
Best Practices - Ether Channel Configuration

- Typically deployed in distribution to core, and core to core interconnections
- Used to provide link redundancy—while reducing peering complexity
- Tune L3/L4 load balancing hash to achieve maximum utilisation of channel members
- Deploy in powers of two (two, four, or eight)
- Match CatOS and Cisco IOS PAgP settings
- 802.3ad LACP for interop if you need it
- Disable unless needed
 - Cisco IOS: switchport host

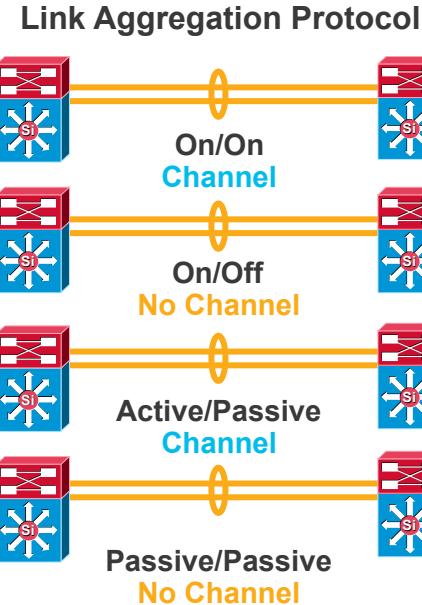


Understanding Ether Channel

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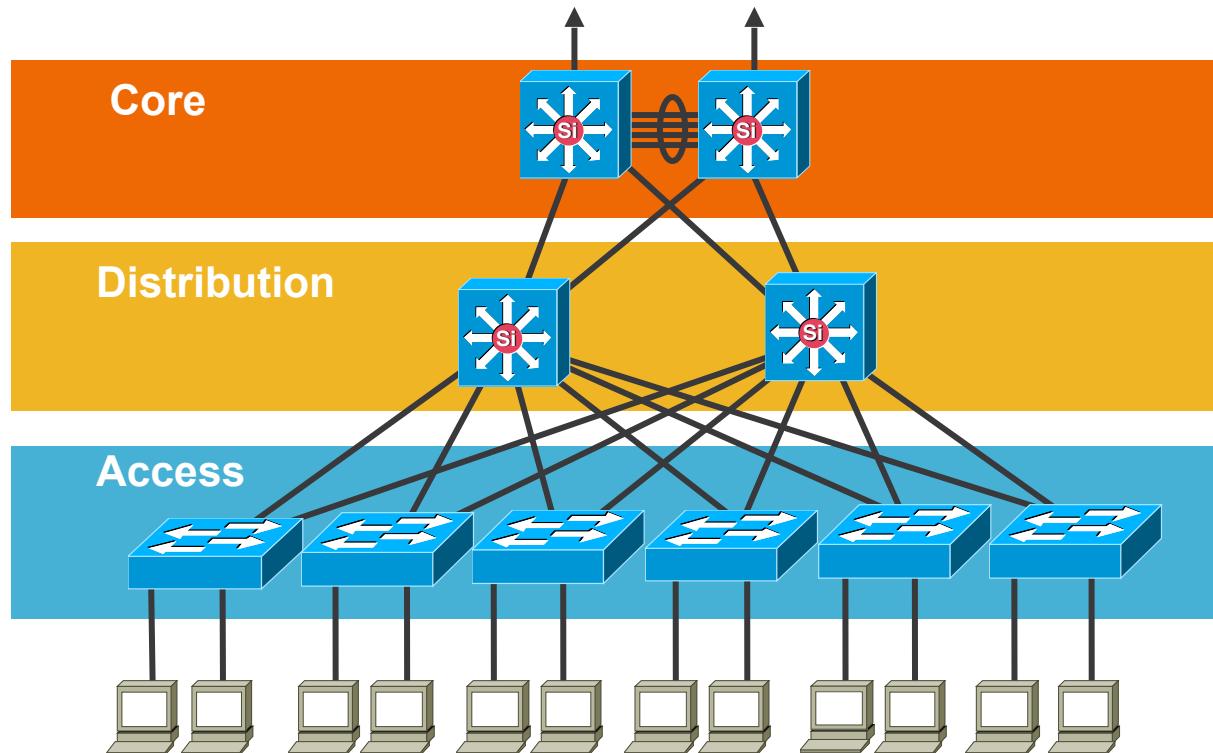
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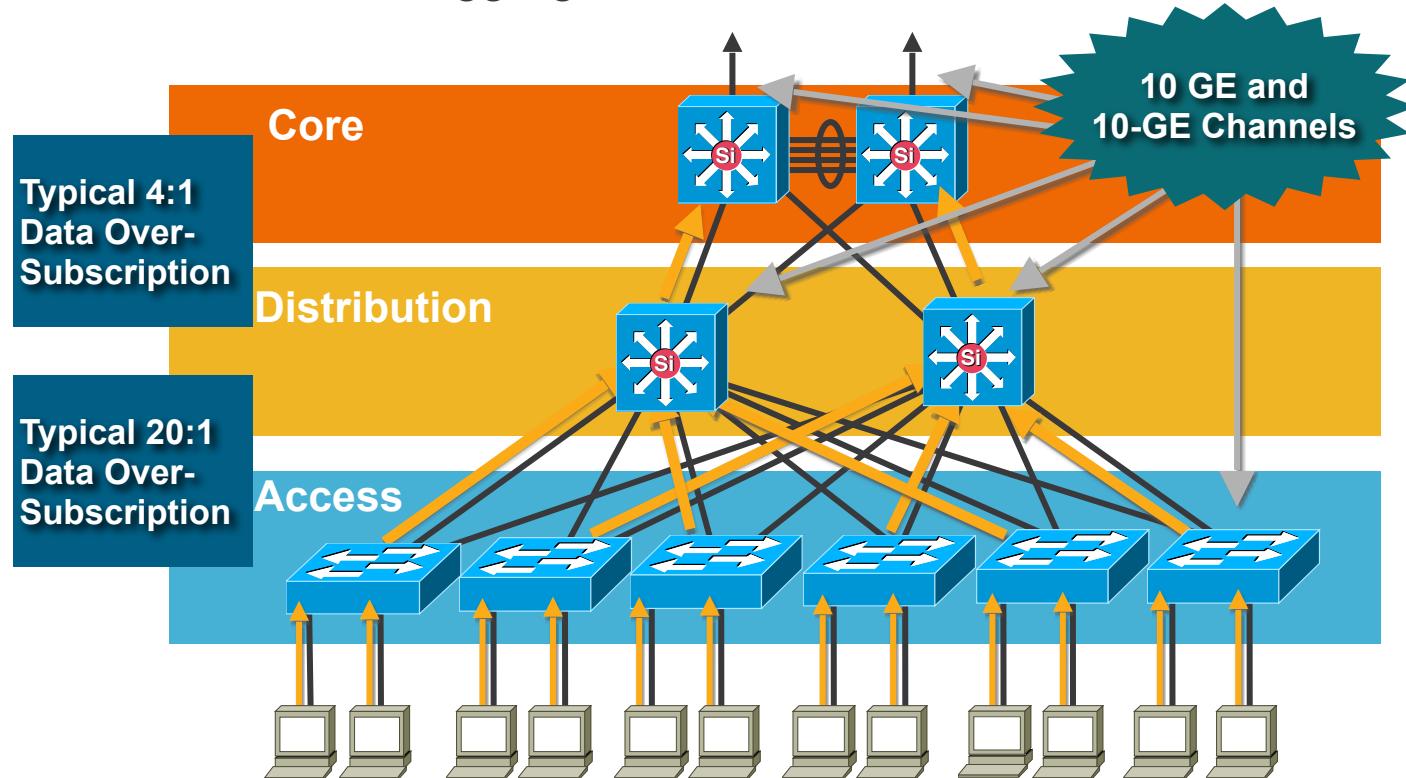
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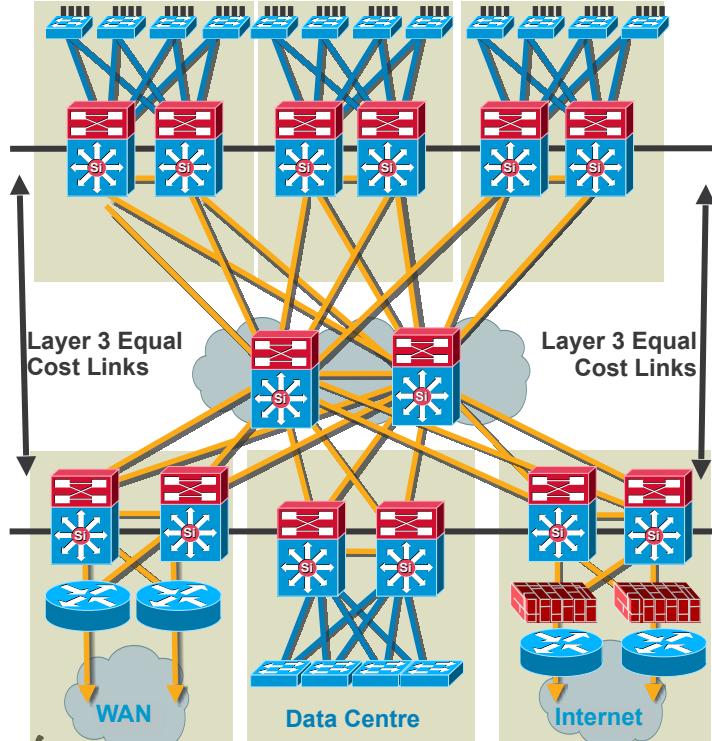
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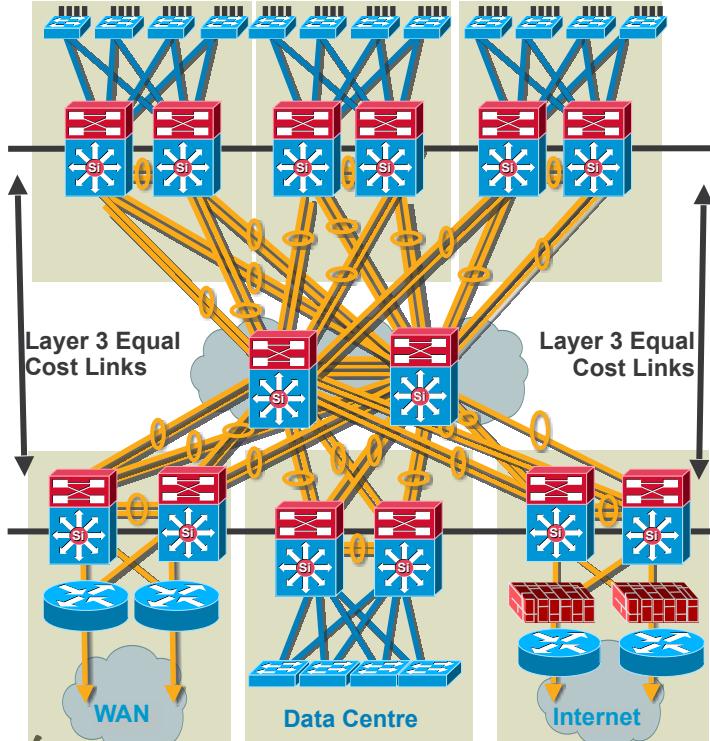
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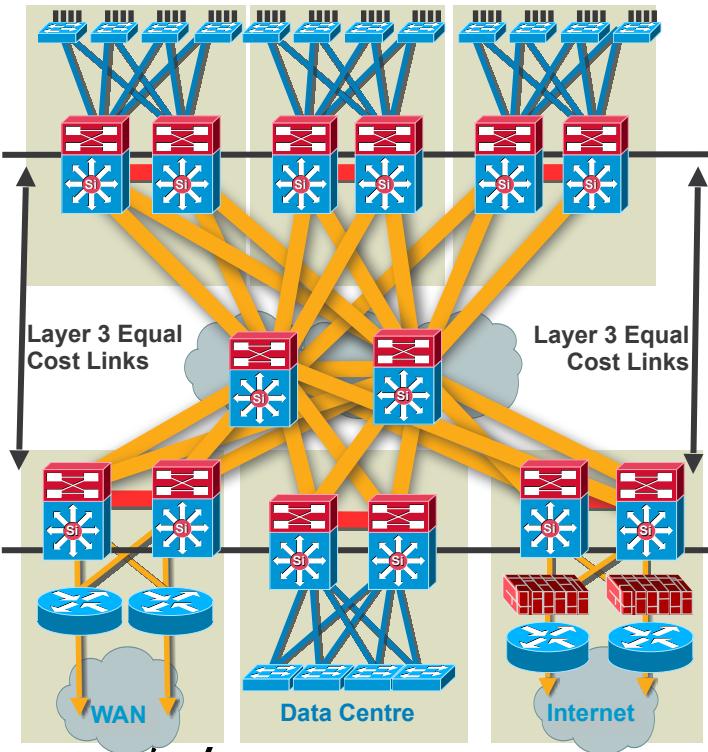
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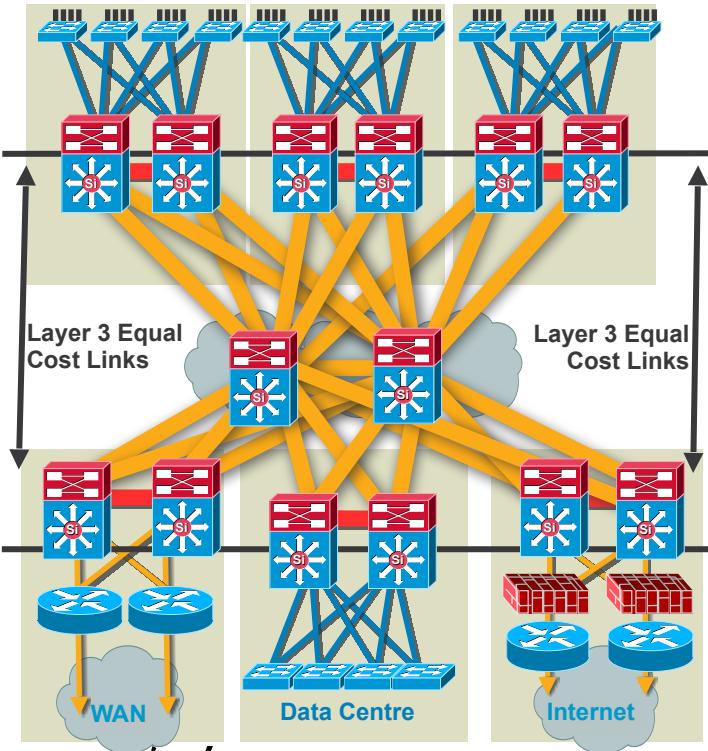
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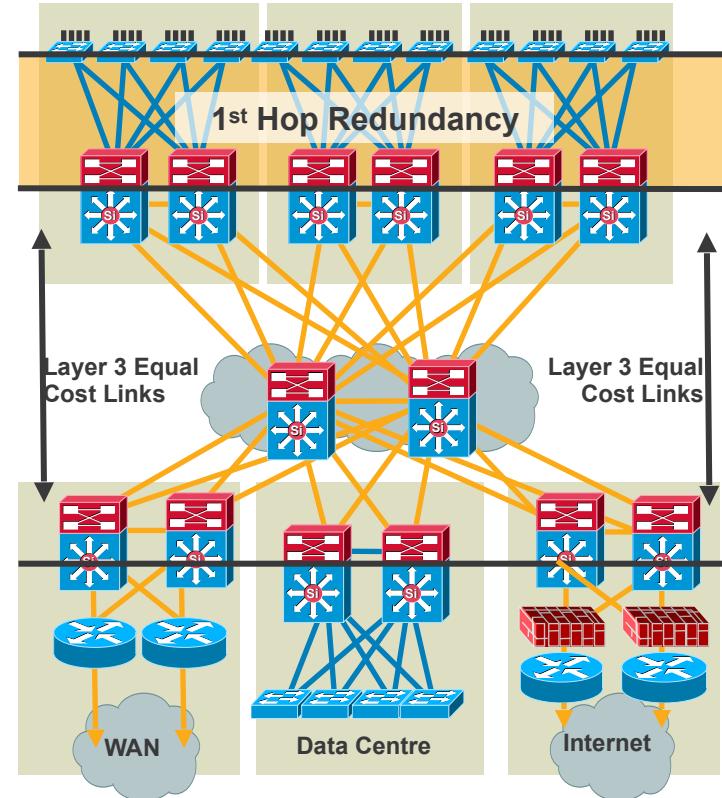
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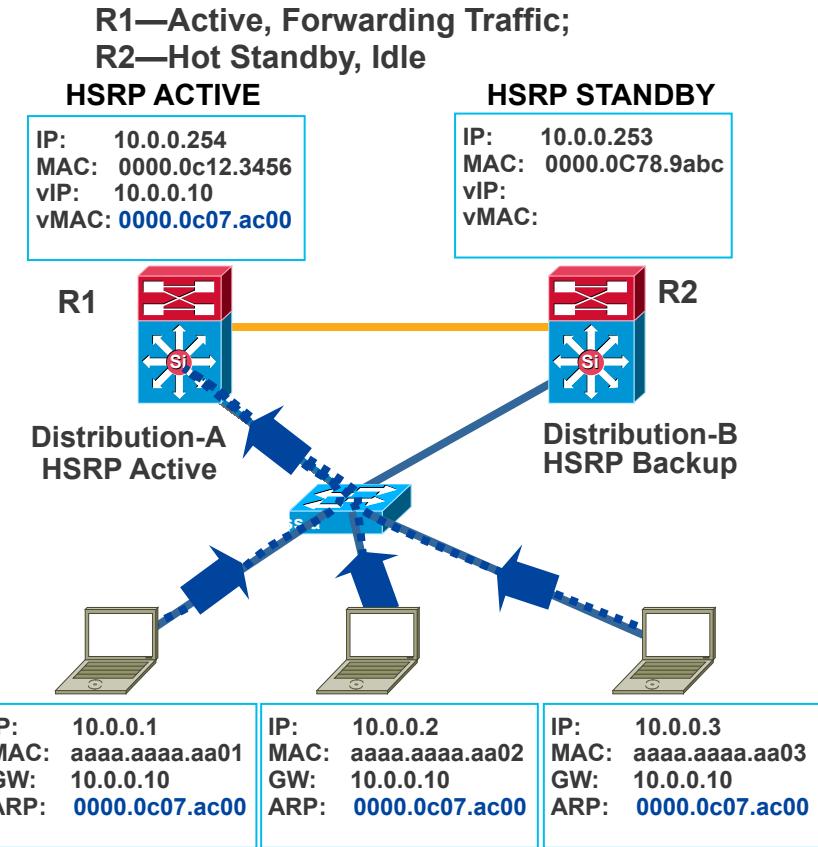
- Used to provide a resilient default gateway/first hop address to end-stations
- HSRP, VRRP, and GLBP alternatives
- VRRP, HSRP, and GLBP provide millisecond timers and excellent convergence performance
- VRRP if you need multivendor interoperability
- GLBP facilitates uplink load balancing
- Preempt timers need to be tuned to avoid black-holed traffic



First Hop Redundancy with HSRP

RFC 2281 (March 1998)

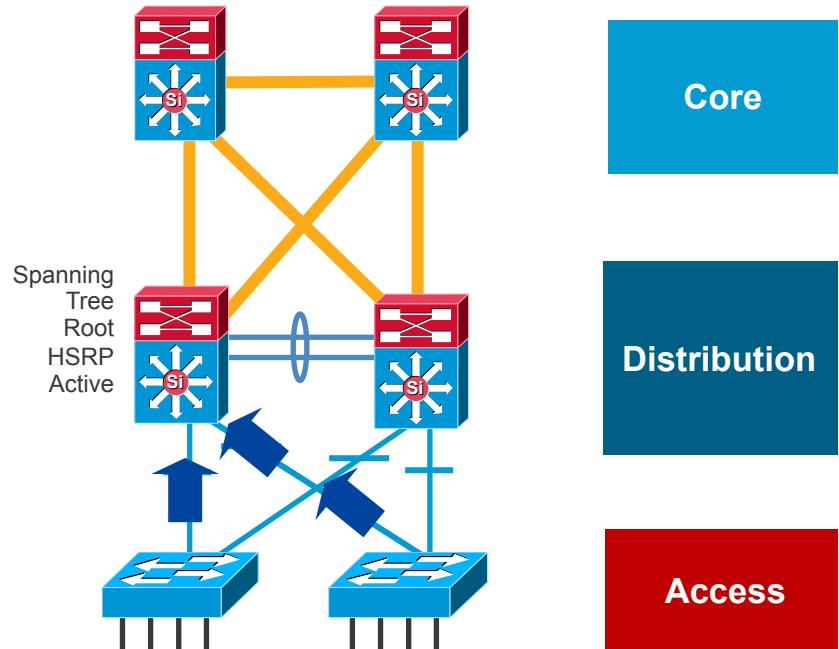
- A group of routers function as one virtual router by sharing one virtual IP address and one virtual MAC address
- One (active) router performs packet forwarding for local hosts
- The rest of the routers provide hot standby in case the active router fails
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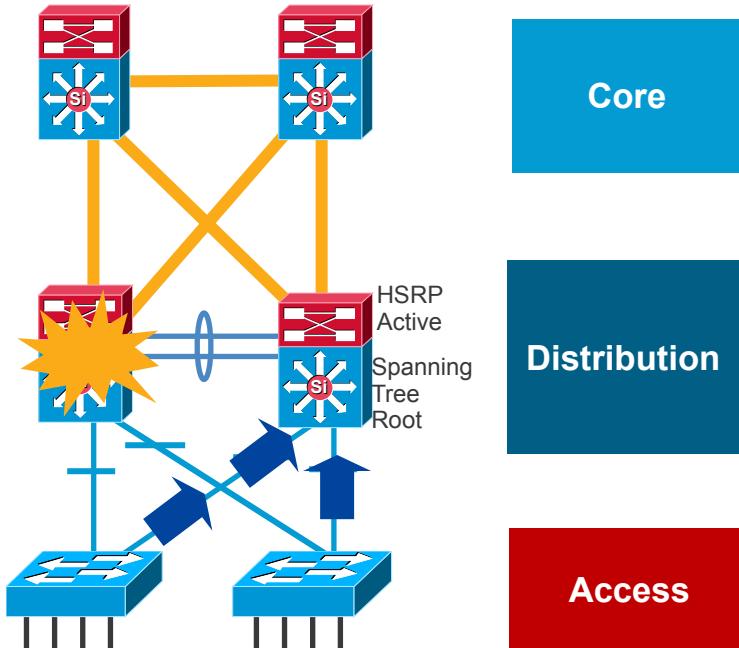
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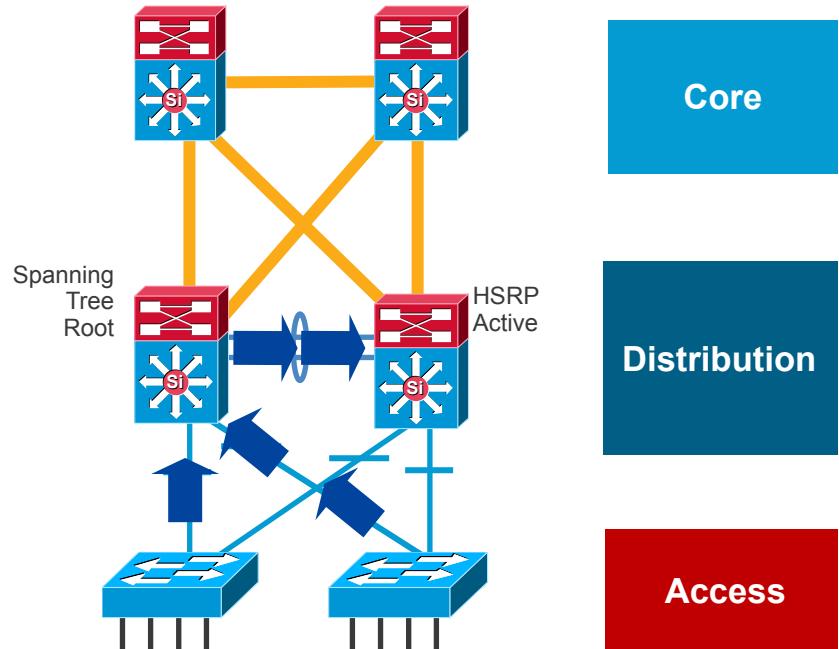
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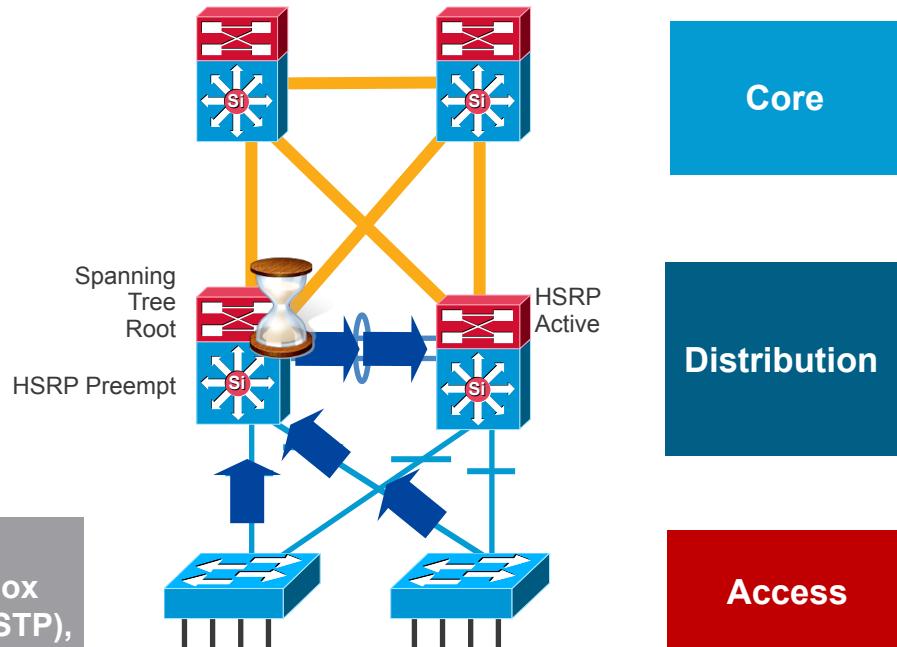


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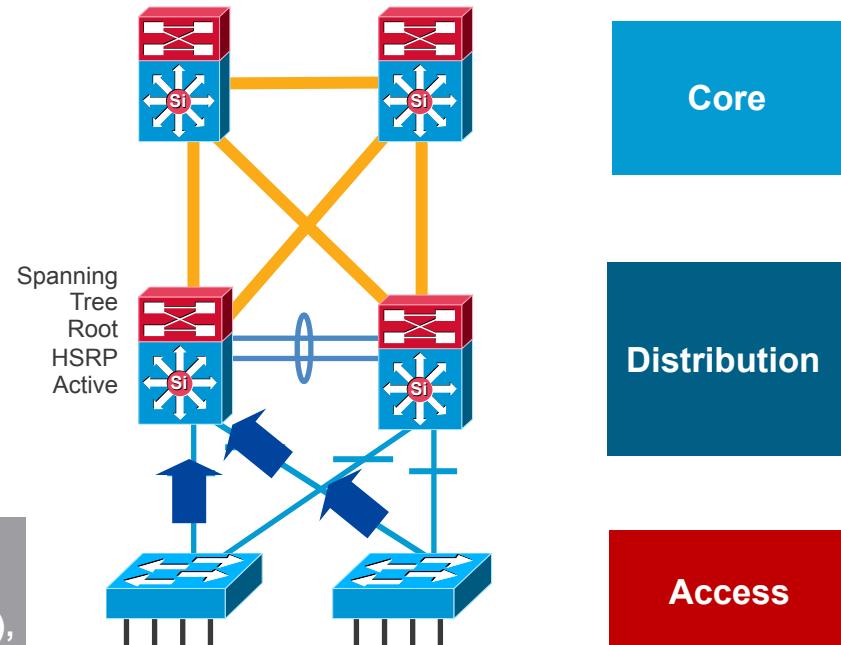
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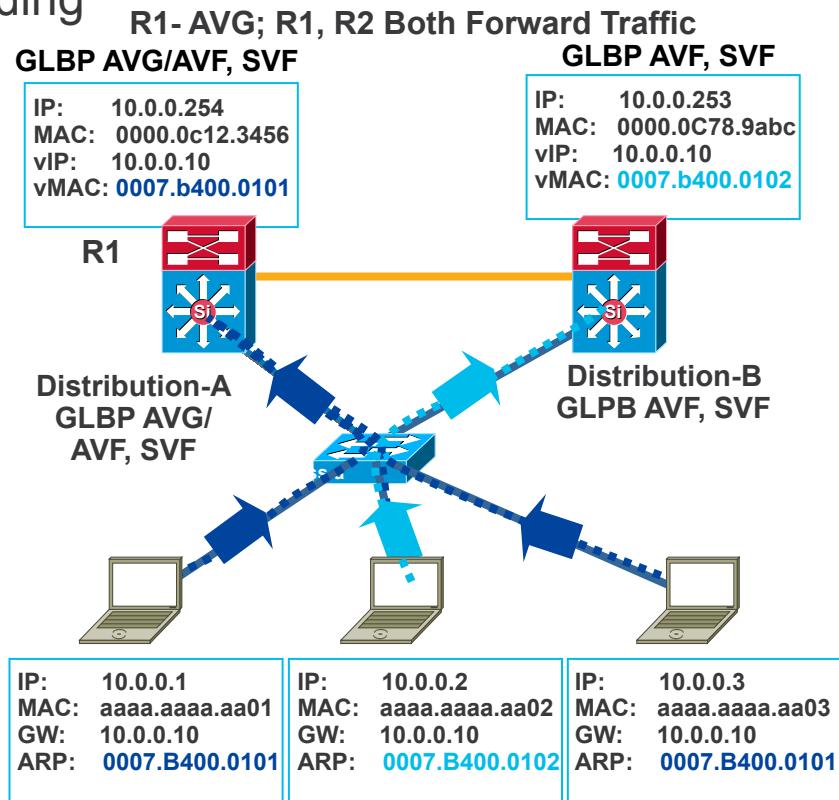
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Cisco Designed, Load Sharing, Patent Pending

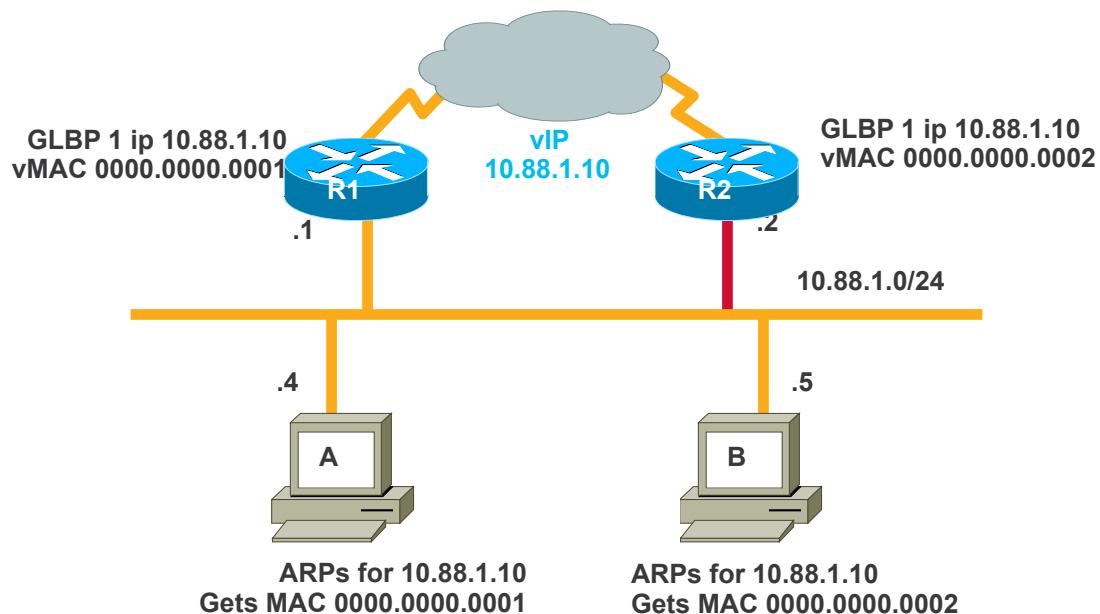
- All the benefits of HSRP plus load balancing of default gateway → utilises all available bandwidth
- A group of routers function as one virtual router by sharing one virtual IP address but using multiple virtual MAC addresses for traffic forwarding
- Allows traffic from a single common subnet to go through multiple redundant gateways using a single virtual IP address



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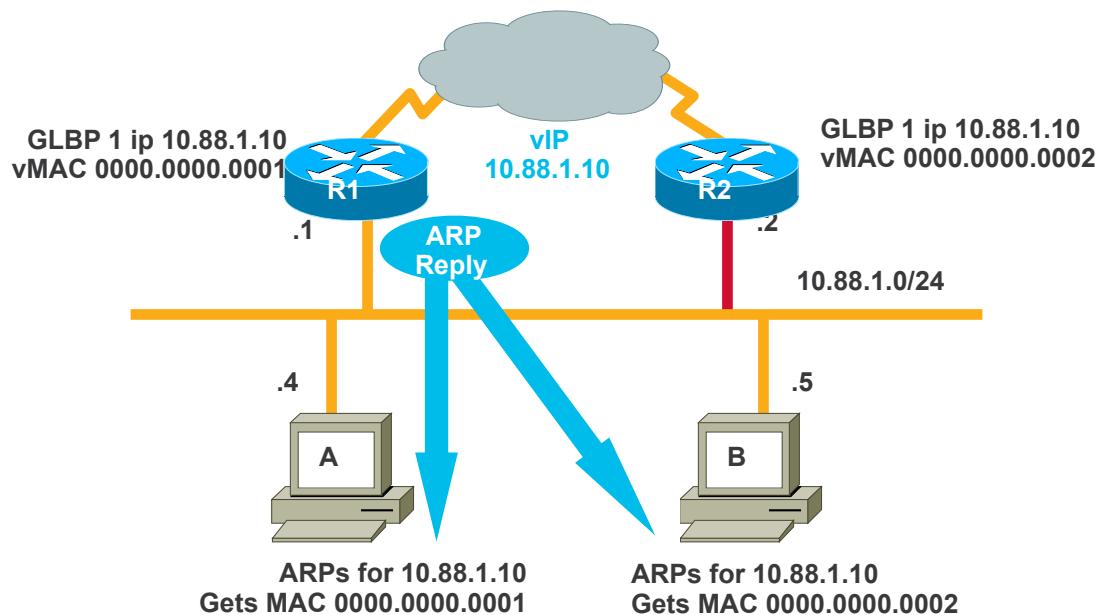
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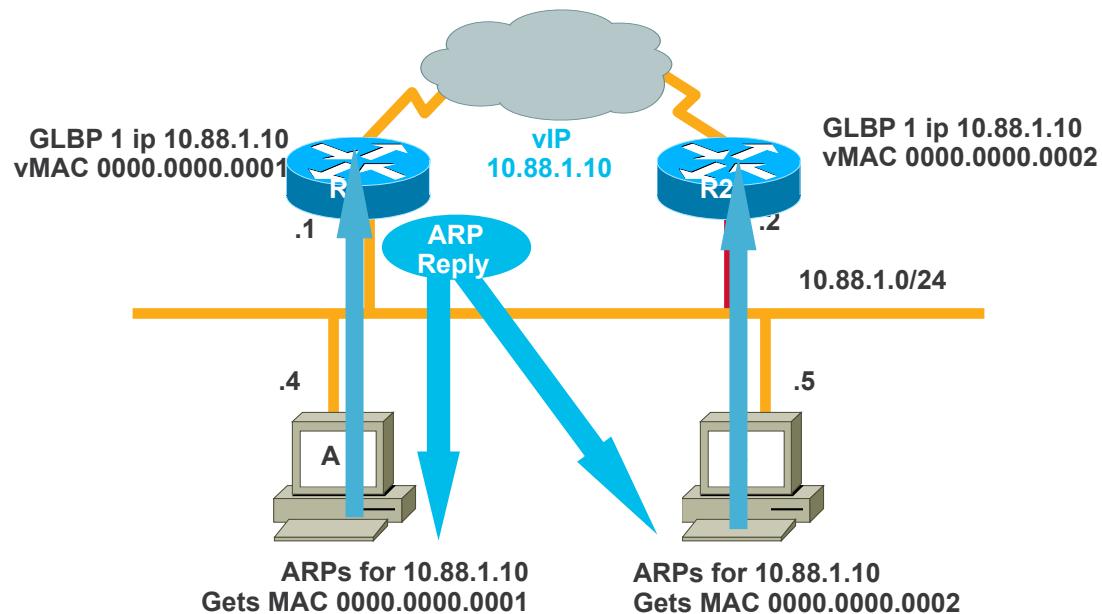
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Optimising Convergence: VRRP, HSRP, GLBP

Mean, Max, and Min—Are There Differences?

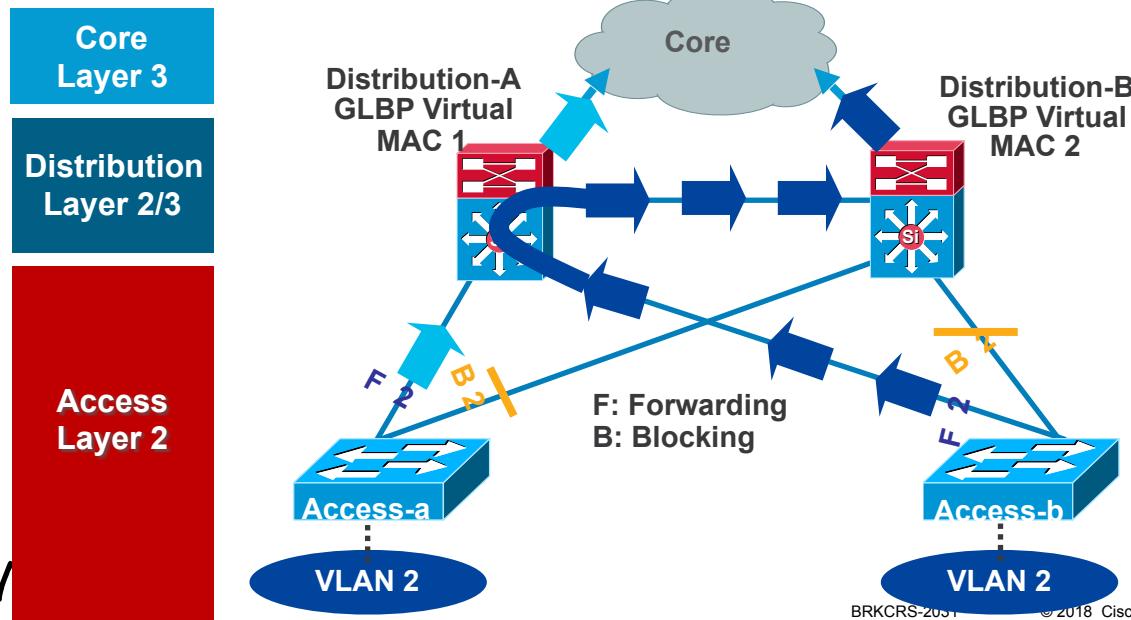
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- HSRP has sub-second timers; however all flows go through same HSRP peer so there is no difference between mean, max, and min
- GLBP has sub-second timers and distributes the load amongst the GLBP peers; so 50% of the clients are not affected by an uplink failure



If You Span VLANs, Tuning Required

By Default, Half the Traffic Will Take a Two-Hop L2 Path

- Both distribution switches act as default gateway
- Blocked uplink caused traffic to take less than optimal path



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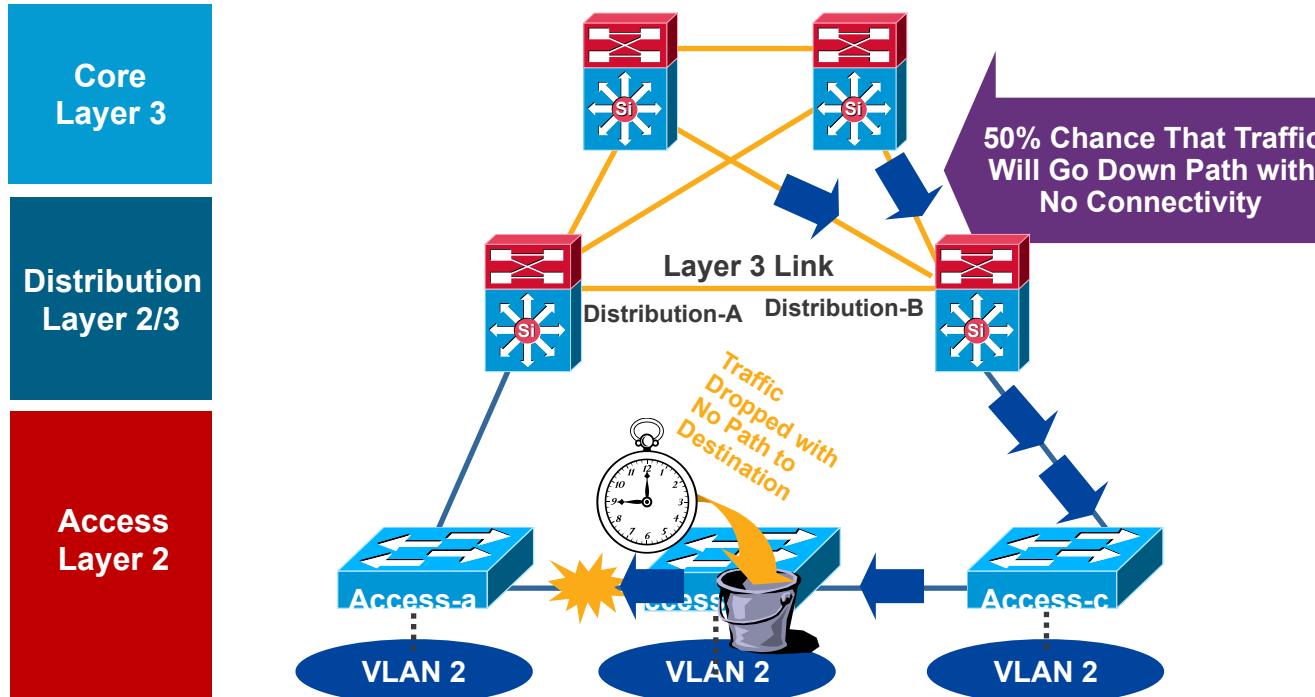
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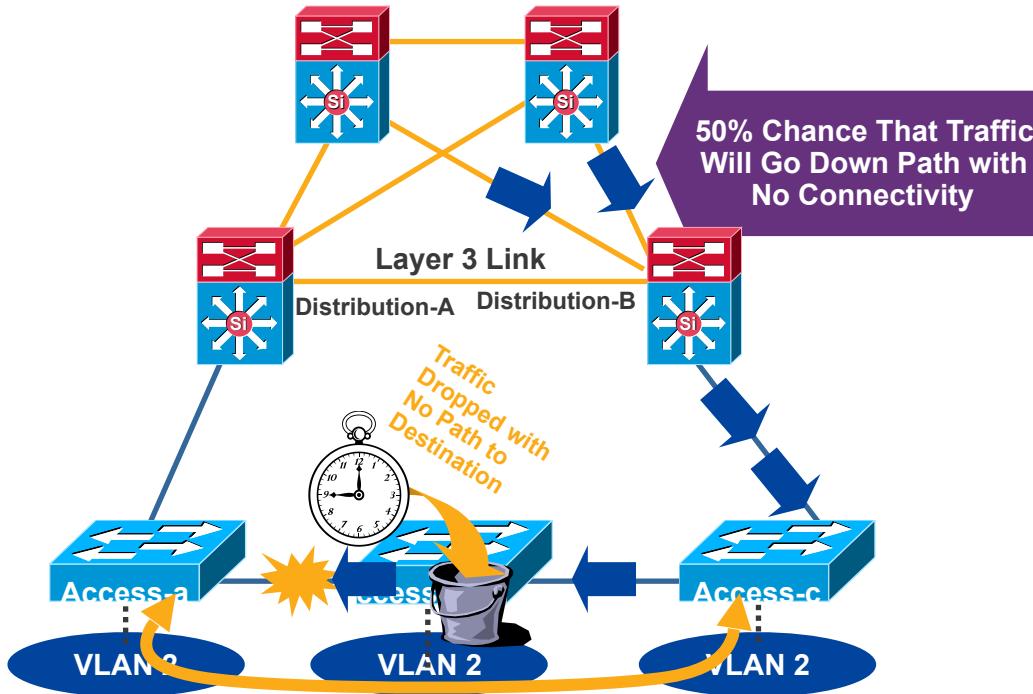
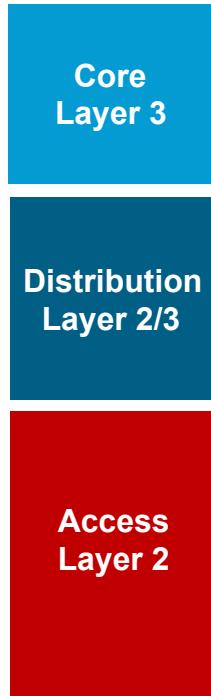
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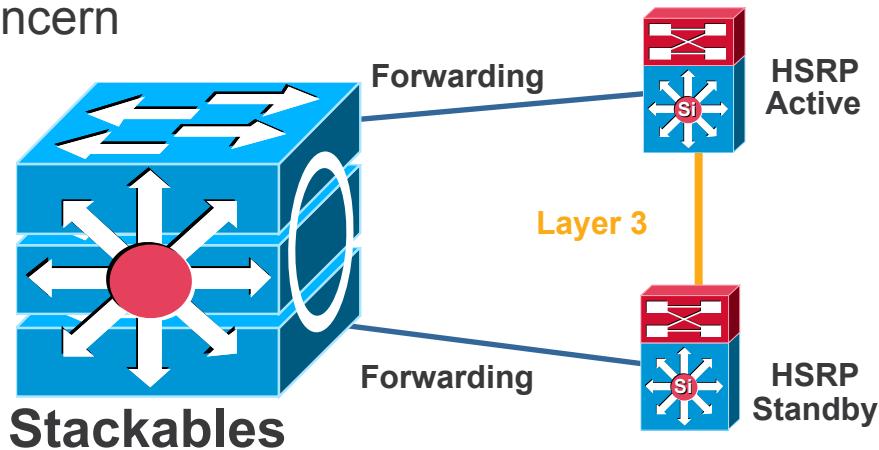
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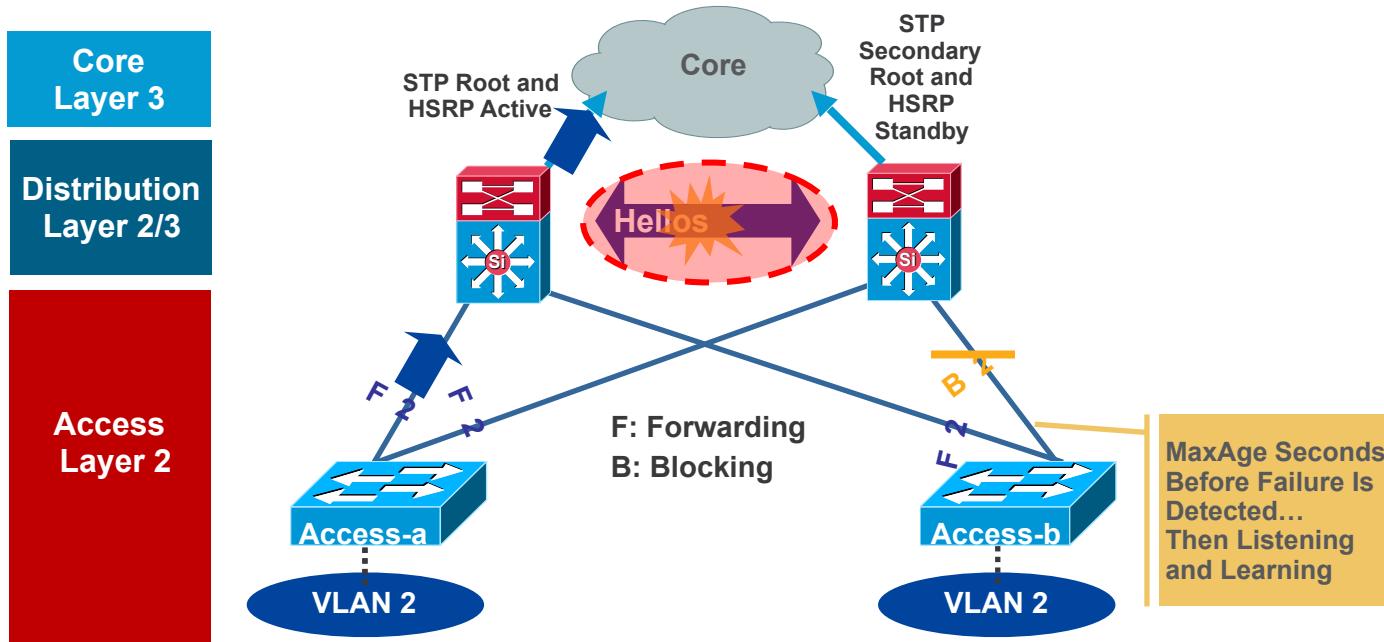
New Technology Addresses Old Problems

- Stackwise/Stackwise-Plus technology eliminates the concern
 - Loopback links not required
 - No longer forced to have L2 link in distribution
- If you use modular (chassis-based) switches, these problems are not a concern



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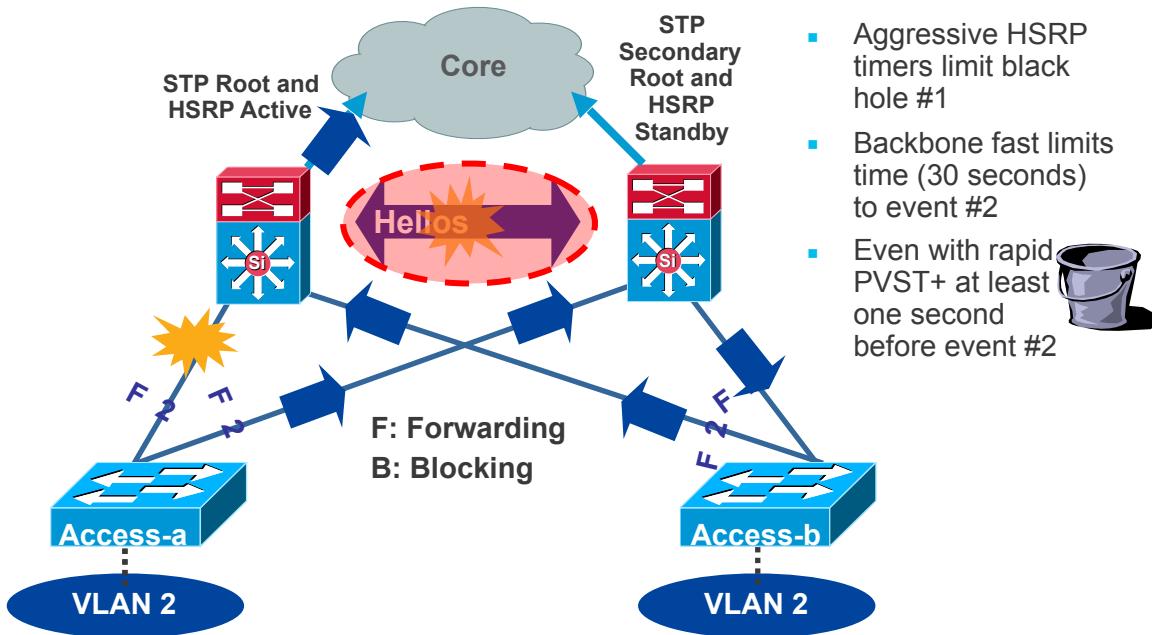
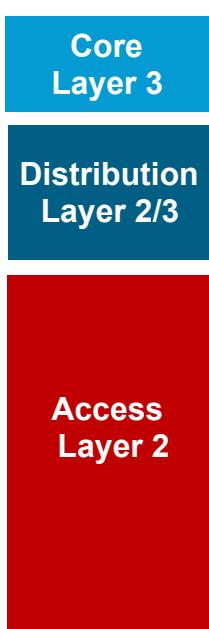
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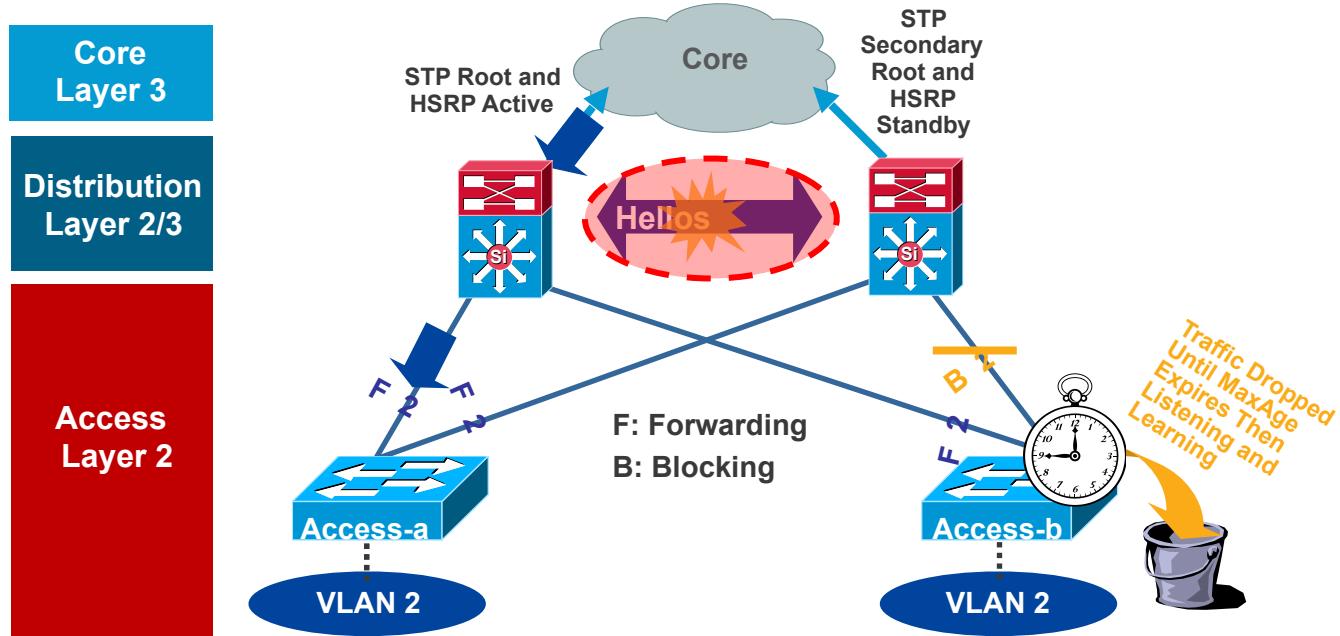
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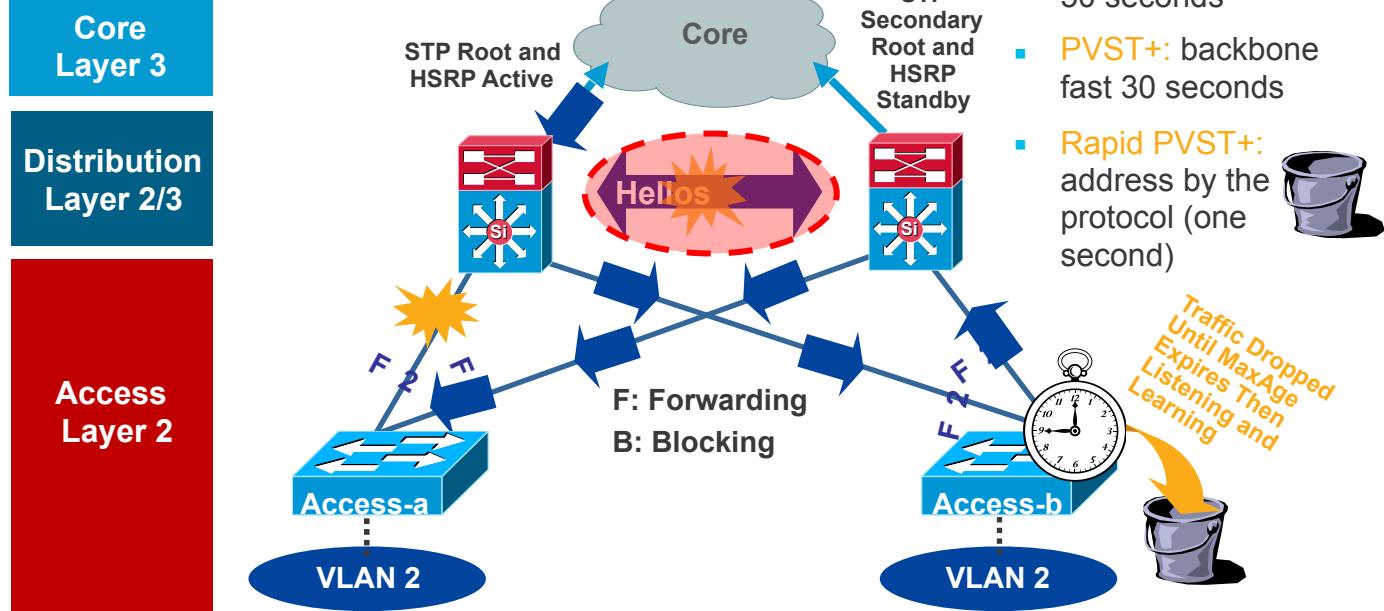
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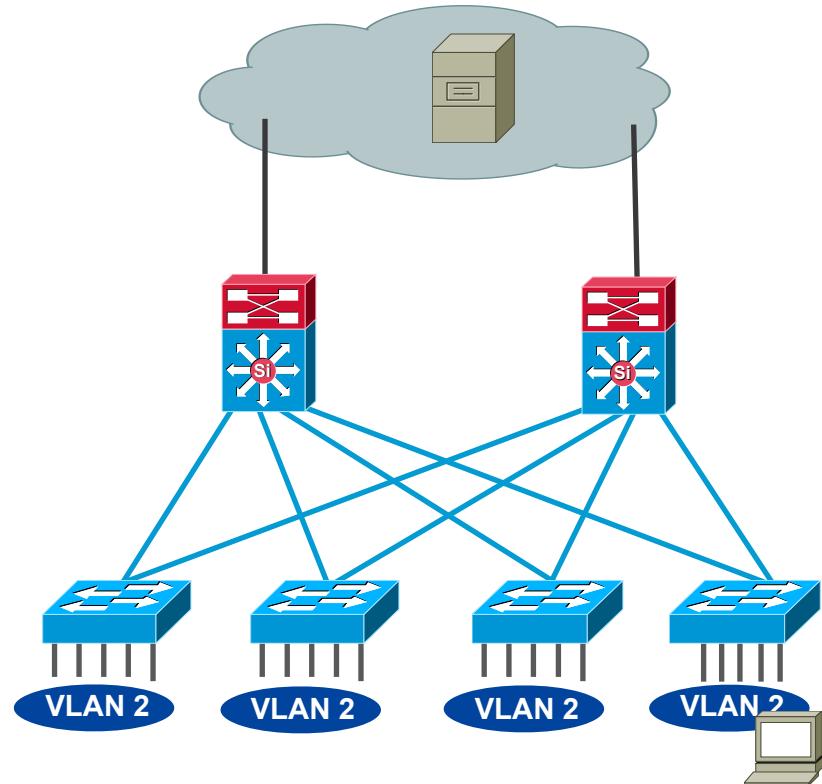
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- **PVST+**: backbone fast 30 seconds
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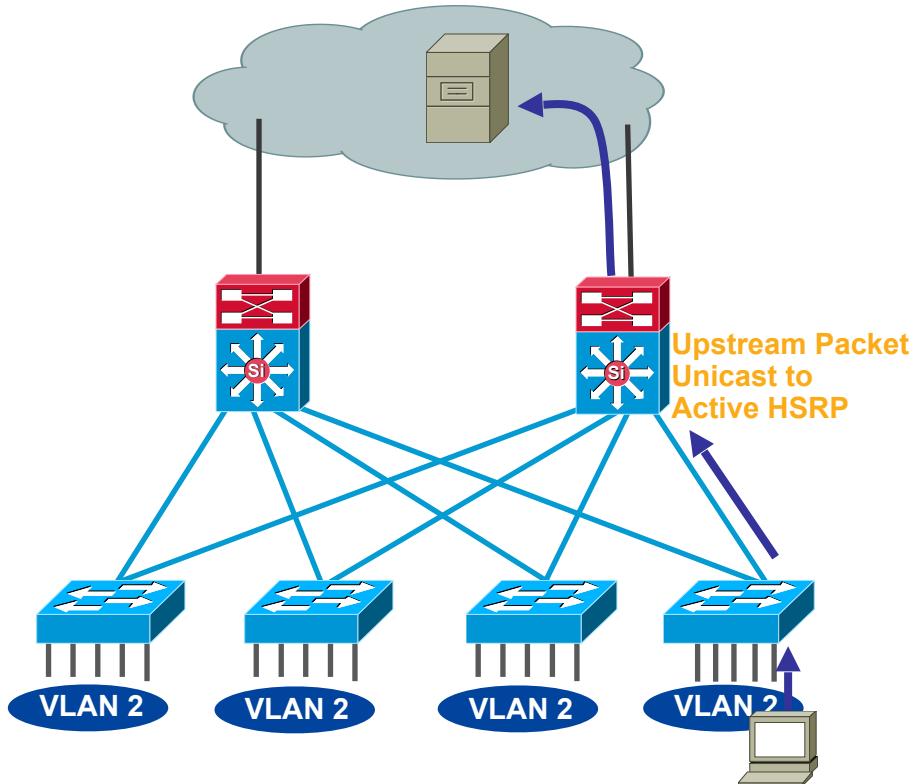
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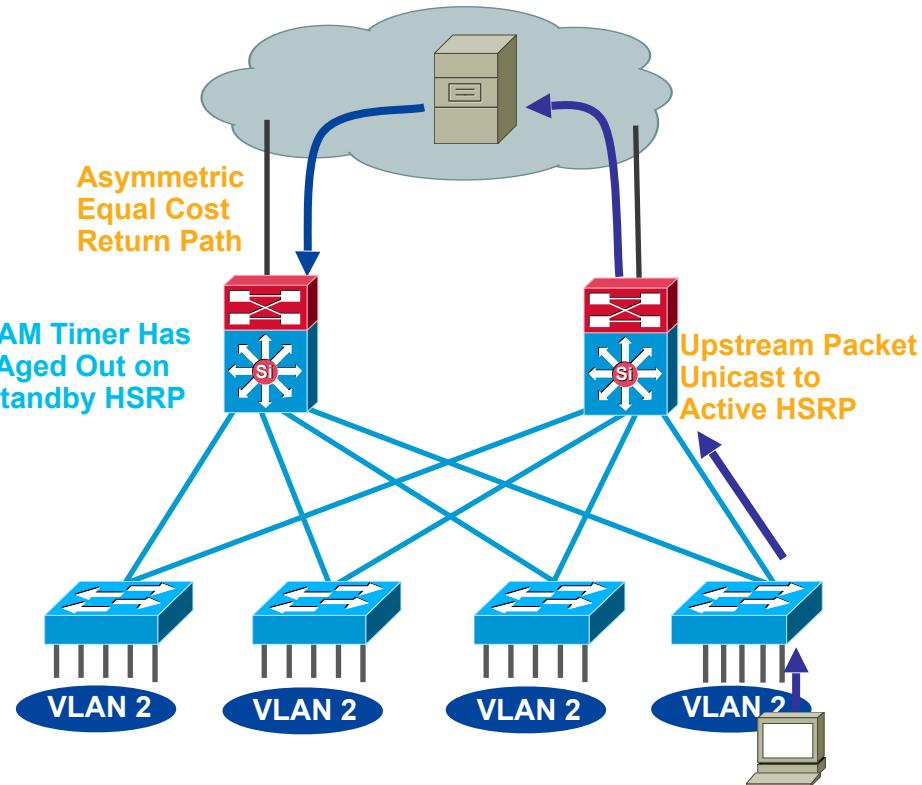
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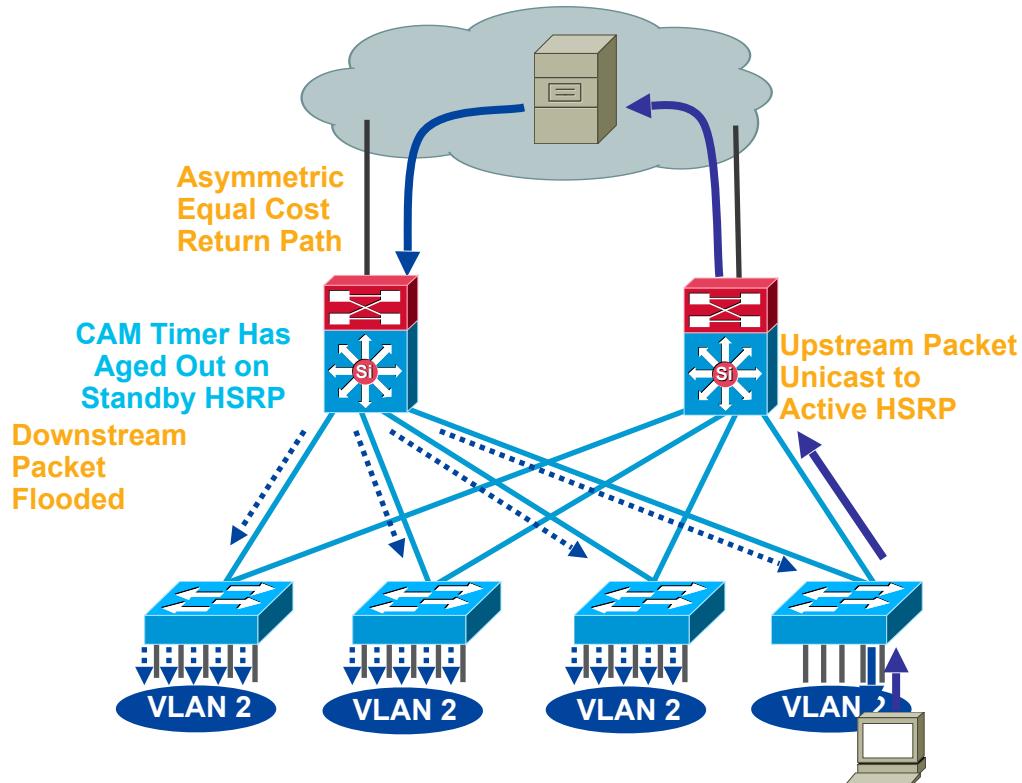
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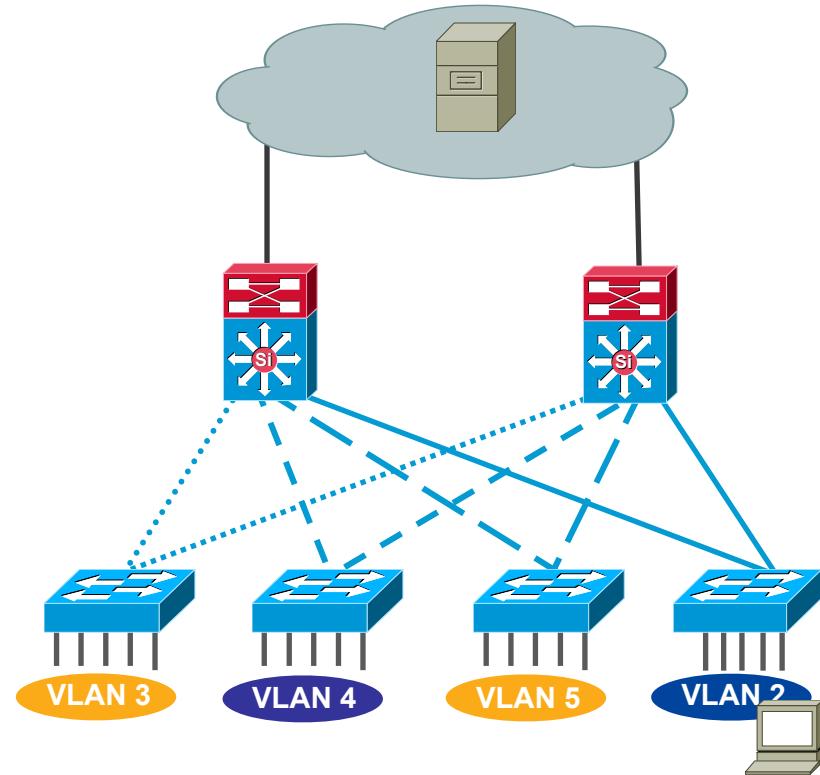
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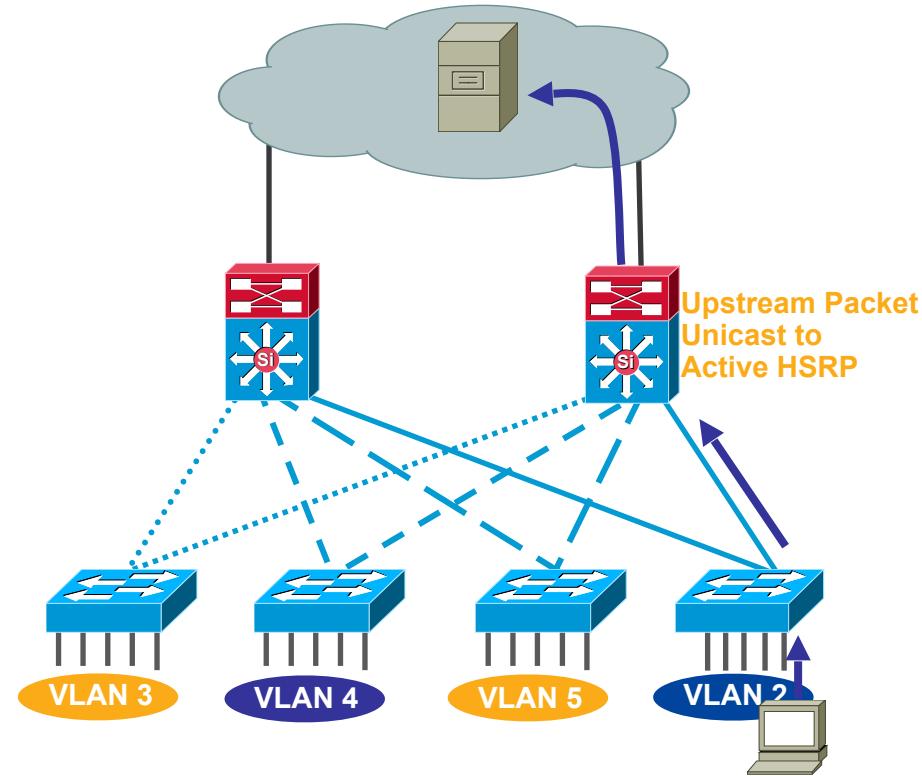
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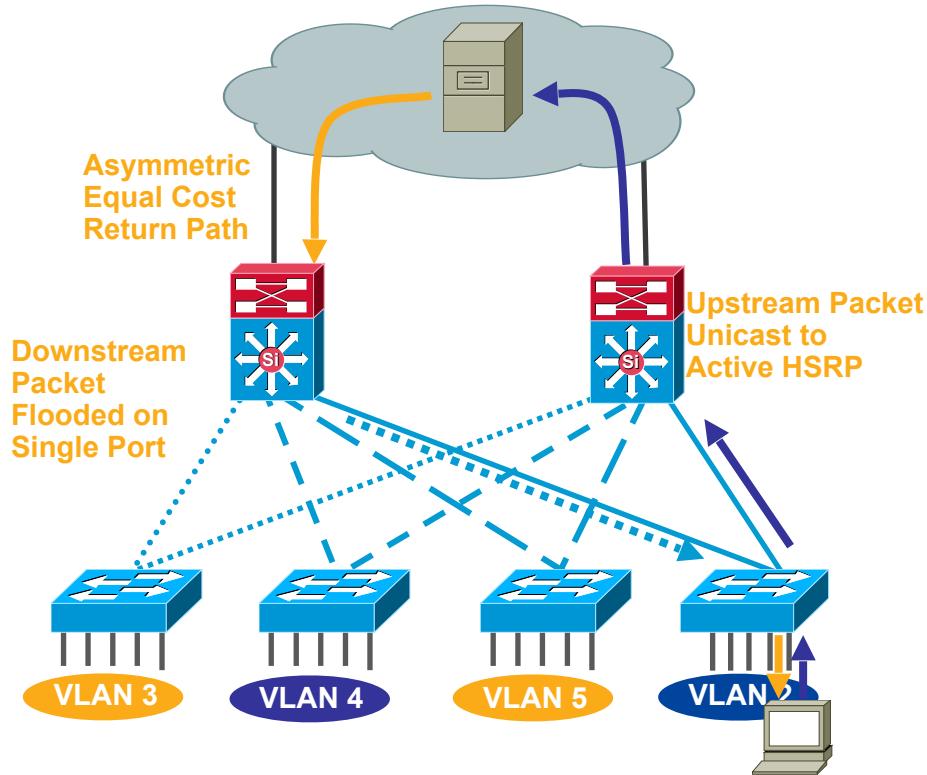
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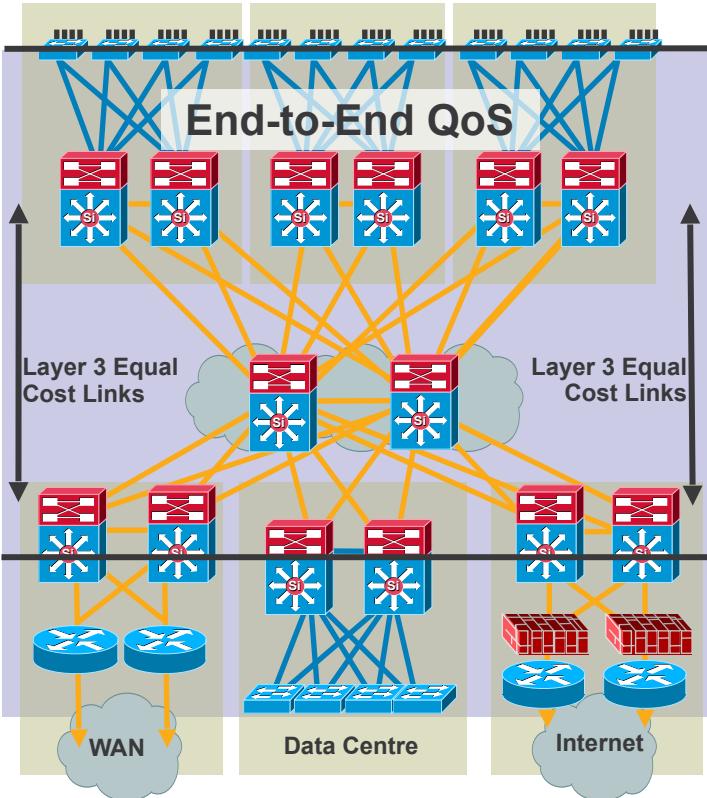
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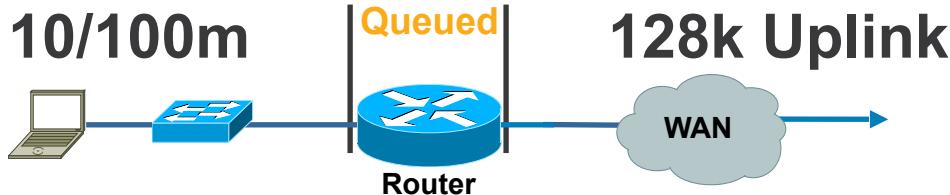


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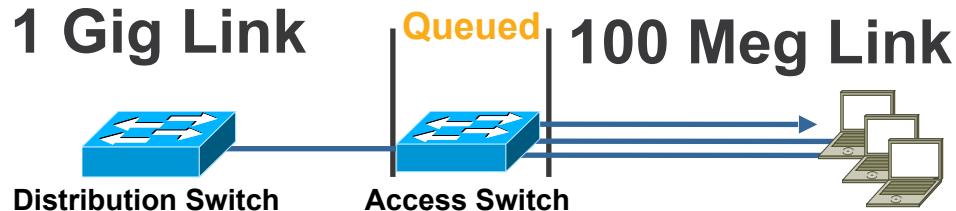
- Must be deployed end-to-end to be effective; all layers play different but equal roles
- Ensure that mission-critical applications are not impacted by link or transmit queue congestion
- Aggregation and rate transition points must enforce QoS policies
- Multiple queues with configurable admission criteria and scheduling are required



Transmit Queue Congestion

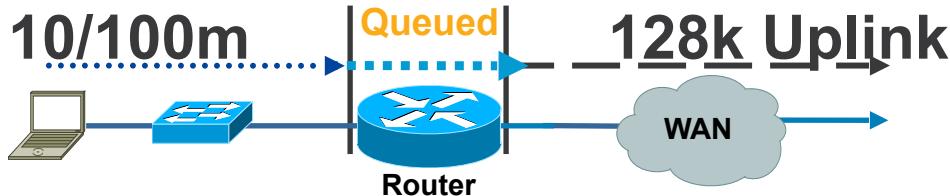


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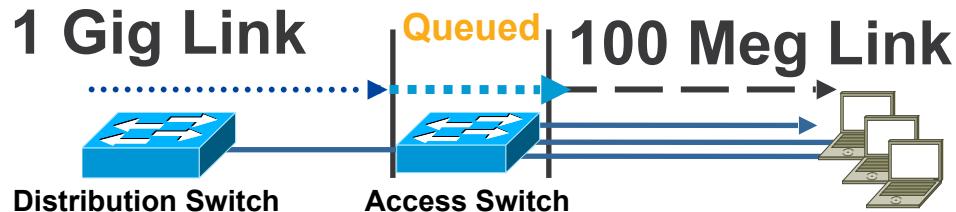


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Auto QoS VoIP—Making It Easy ...

Configures QoS for VoIP on Campus Switches

```
Access-Switch(config-if)#auto qos voip ?
cisco-phone      Trust the QoS marking of Cisco IP Phone
cisco-softphone   Trust the QoS marking of Cisco IP SoftPhone
trust            Trust the DSCP/CoS marking
```

```
Access-Switch(config-if)#auto qos voip cisco-phone
Access-Switch(config-if)#exit
```

```
!
interface FastEthernet1/0/21
srr-queue bandwidth share 10 10 60 20
srr-queue bandwidth shape 10 0 0 0
mls qos trust device cisco-phone
mls qos trust cos
auto qos voip cisco-phone
end
```

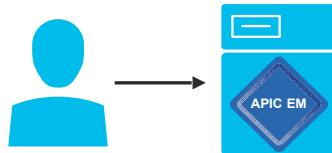


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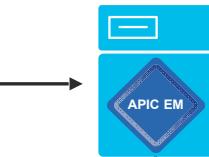
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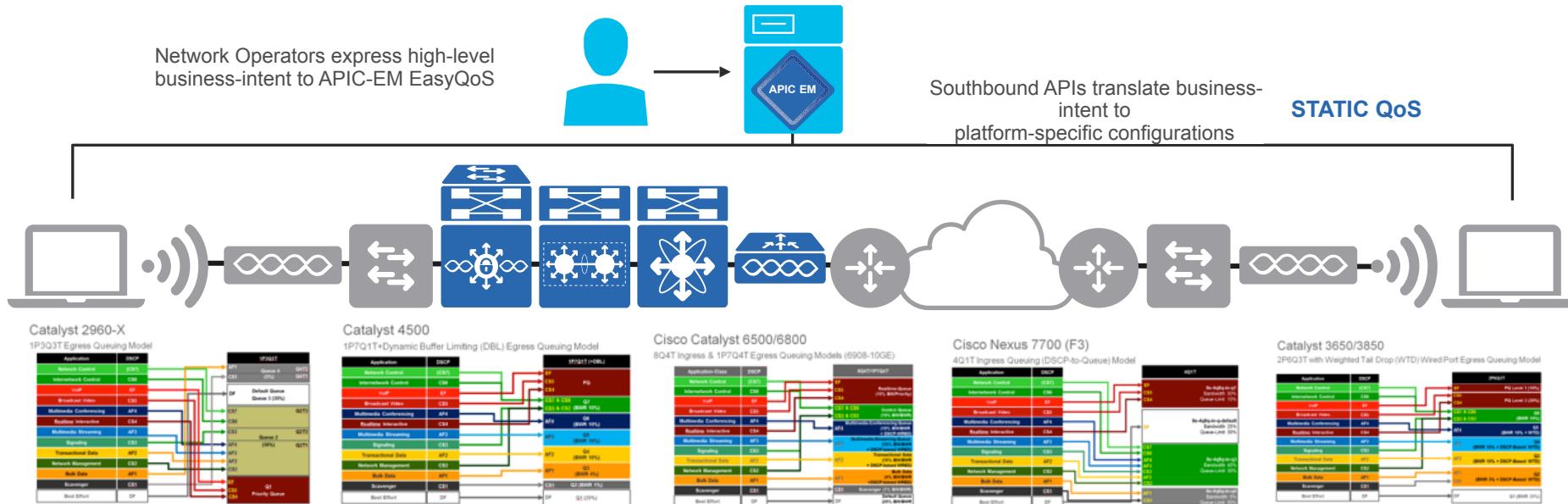
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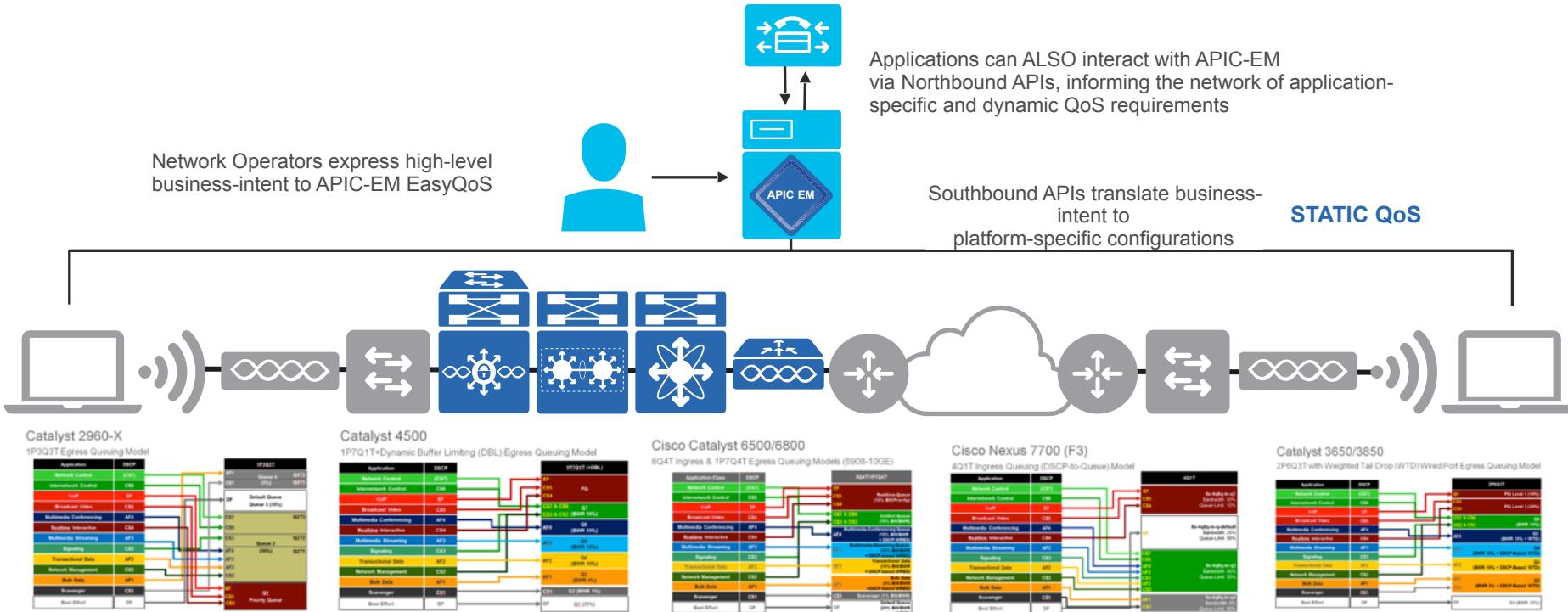


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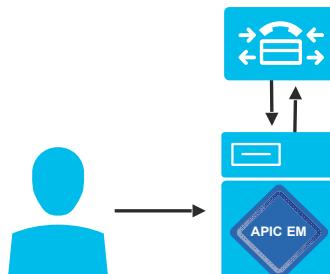


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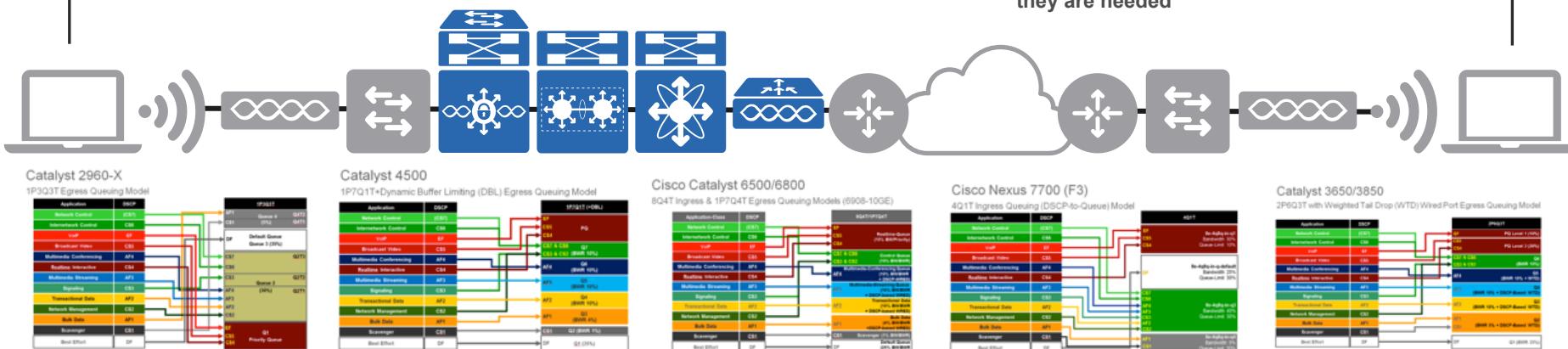
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DYNAMIC QoS

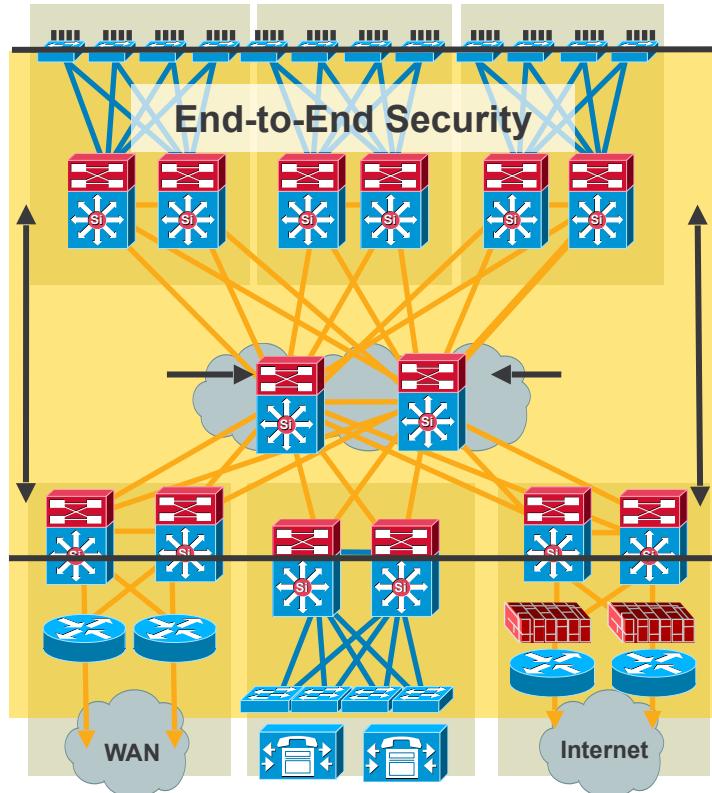


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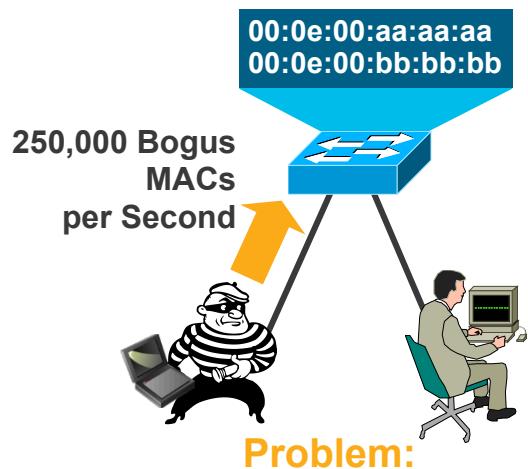
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 - Dynamic port security
 - DHCP snooping,
 - Dynamic ARP inspection
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For More Details, See BRKSEC-2002
Session, Understanding and Preventing Layer
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Securing Layer 2 from Surveillance Attacks

Cutting Off MAC-Based Attacks

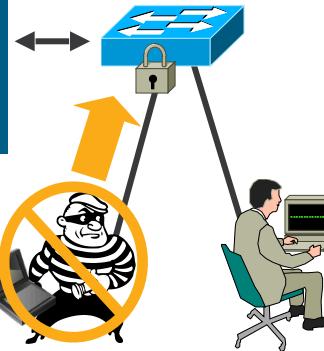


Script Kiddie Hacking Tools Enable Attackers Flood Switch CAM Tables with Bogus Macs; Turning the VLAN into a Hub and Eliminating Privacy

Switch CAM Table Limit Is Finite Number of Mac Addresses

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Only Three MAC Addresses Allowed on the Port: Shutdown

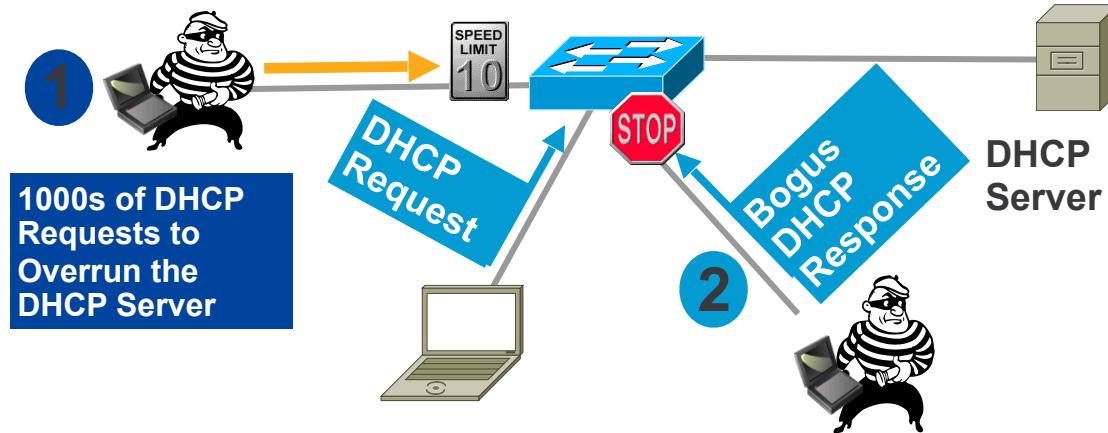


Port Security Limits MAC Flooding Attack and Locks Down Port and Sends an SNMP Trap

```
switchport port-security  
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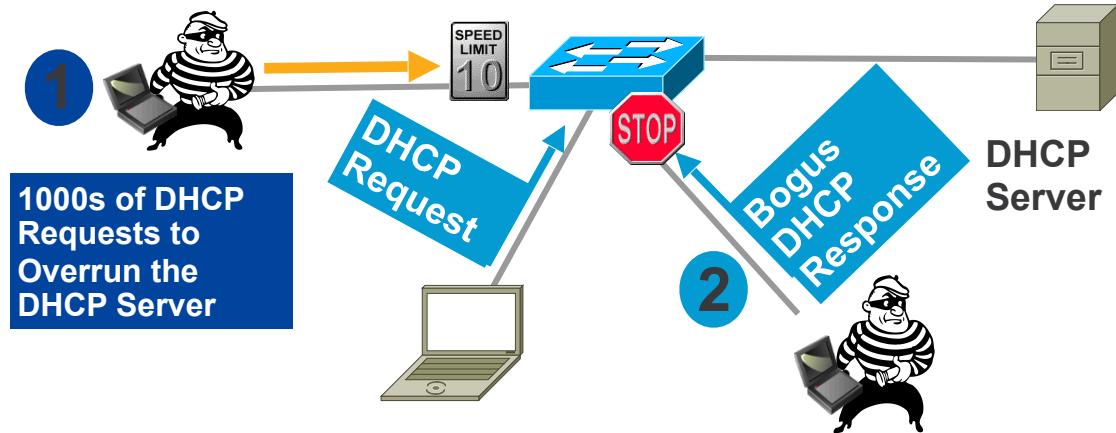
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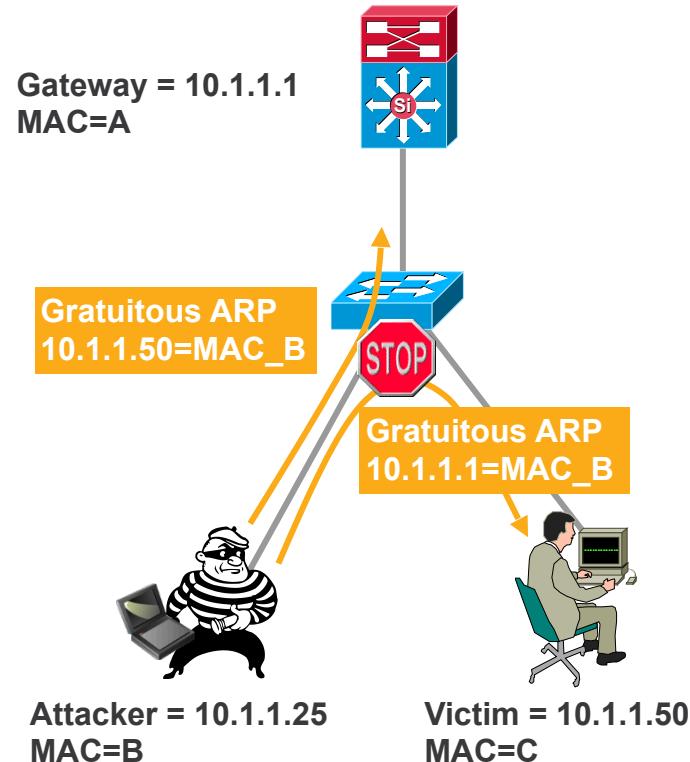


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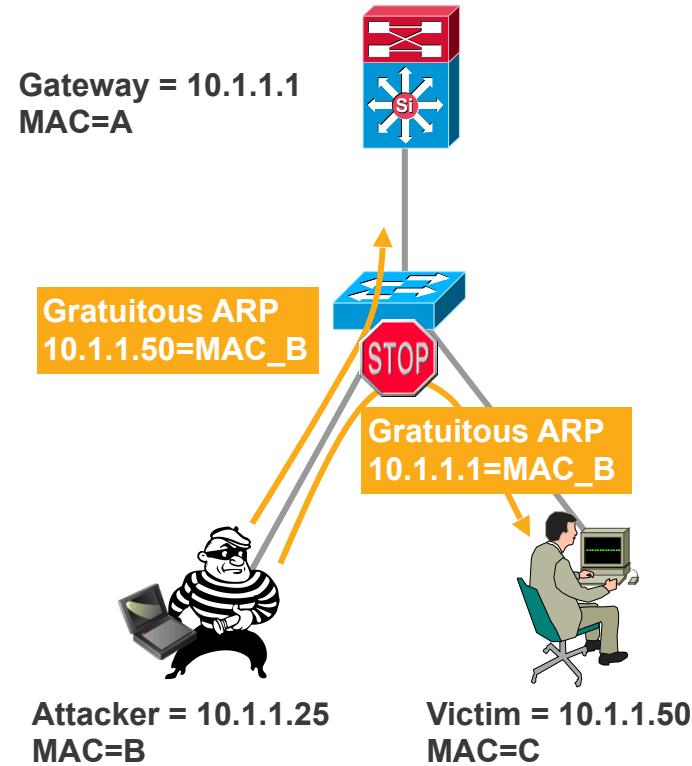
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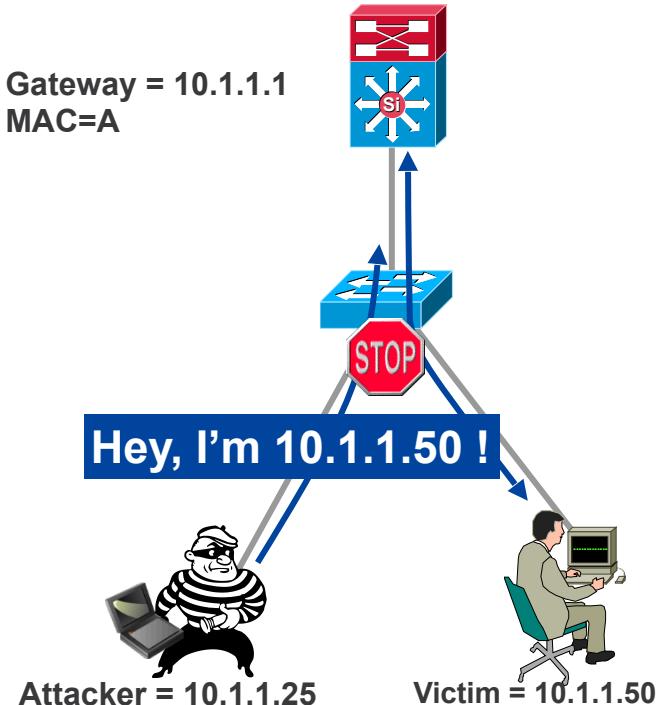
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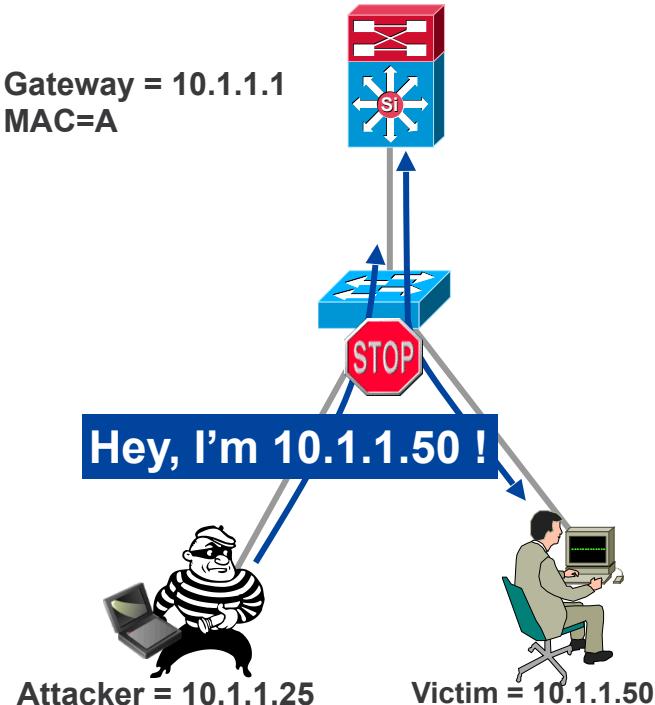
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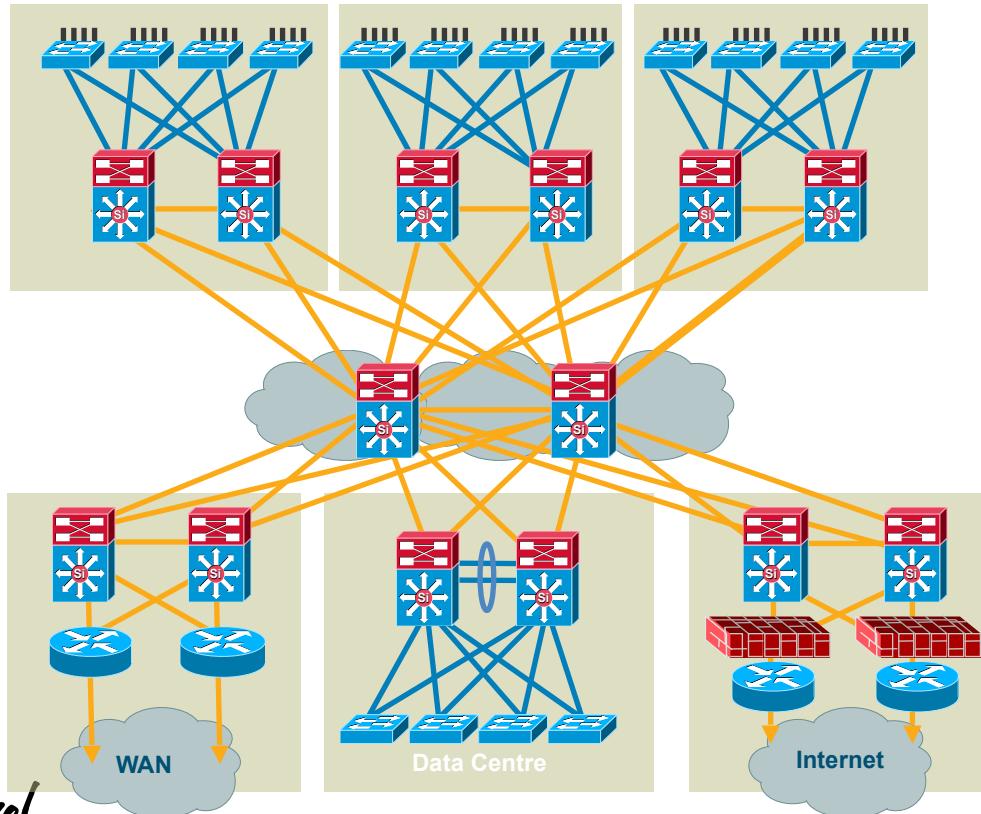
- Port security prevents MAC flooding attacks
- DHCP snooping prevents client attack on the switch and server
- Dynamic ARP Inspection adds security to ARP using DHCP snooping table
- IP source guard adds security to IP source address using DHCP snooping table

```
ip dhcp snooping
ip dhcp snooping vlan 2-10
ip arp inspection vlan 2-10
!
interface fa3/1
switchport port-security
switchport port-security max 3
switchport port-security violation
restrict
switchport port-security aging time 2
switchport port-security aging type
inactivity
ip arp inspection limit rate 100
ip dhcp snooping limit rate 100
ip verify source vlandhcp-snooping
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ip dhcp snooping trust
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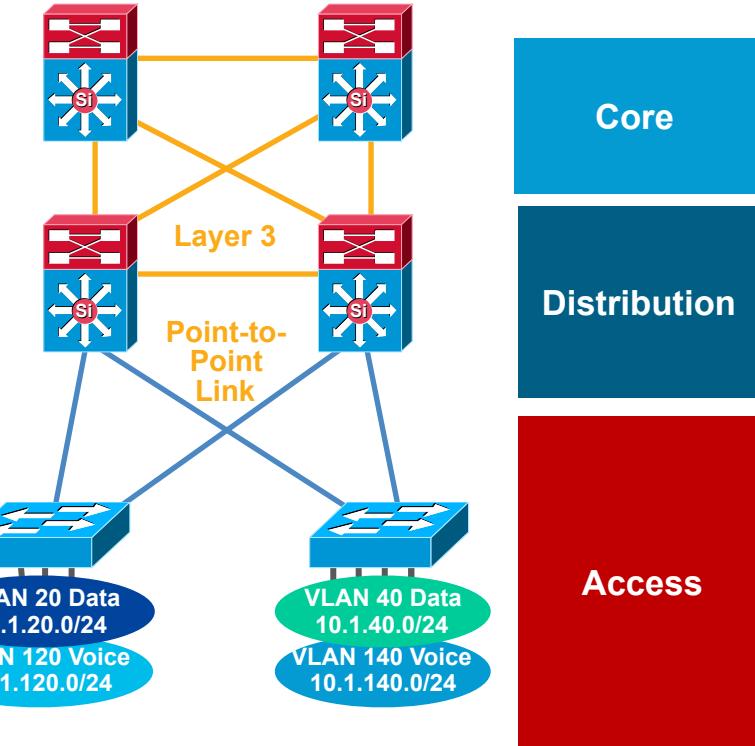
Hierarchical Campus



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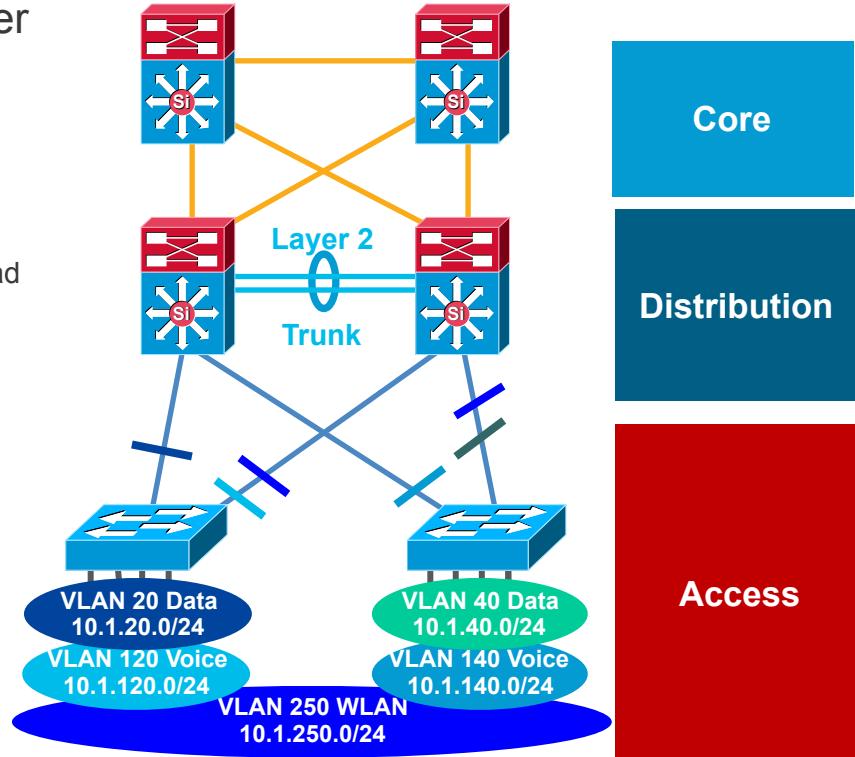
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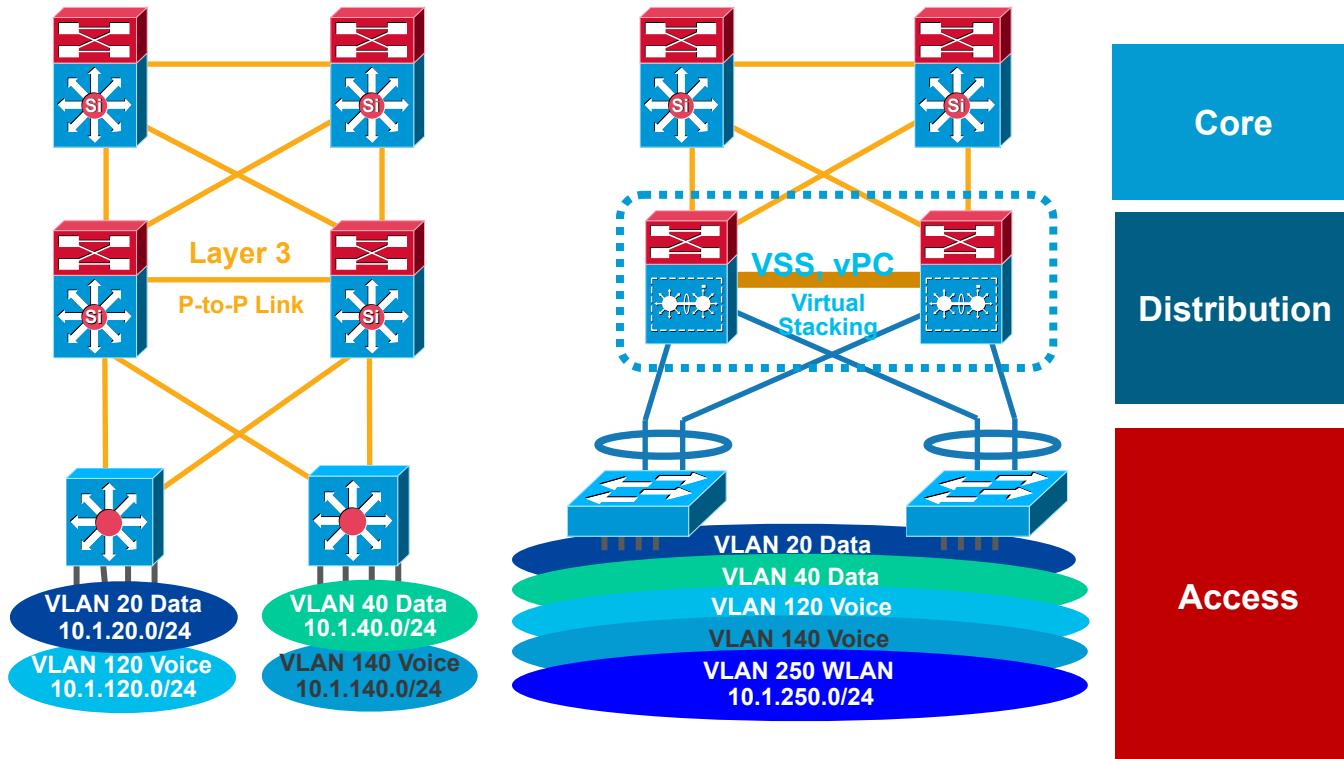
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Routed Access and Virtual Switching System

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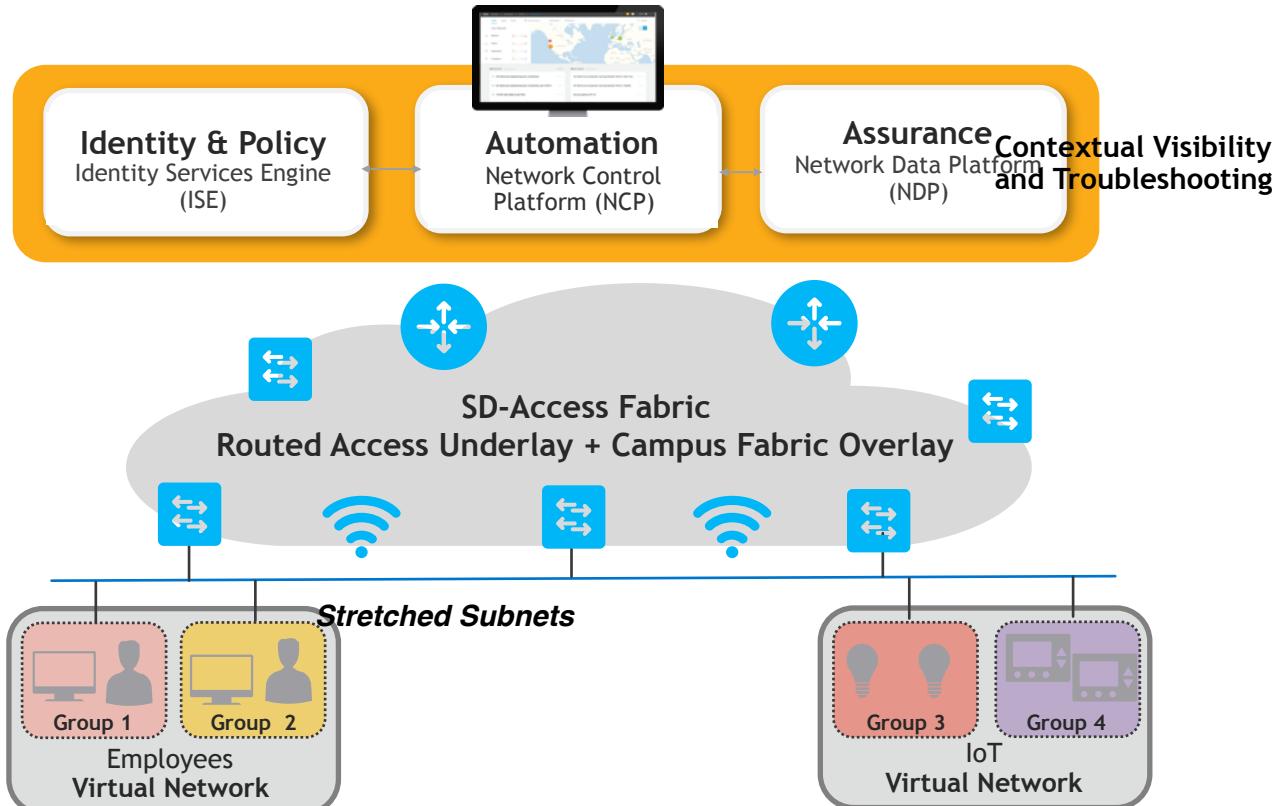




Deploy DNA-C & SD-Access

Architecture for the Digital Enterprise

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with no Topology
Dependence

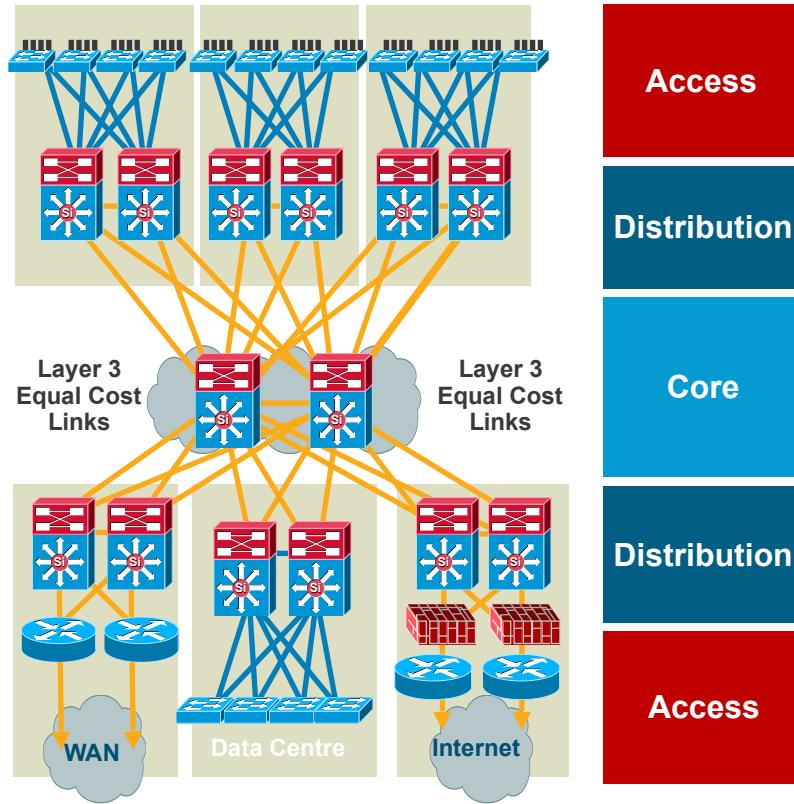


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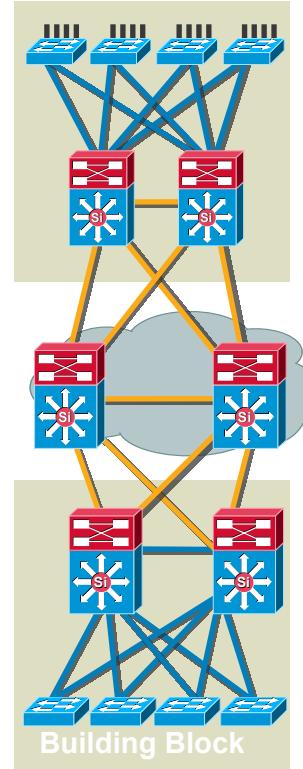
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- Offers hierarchy—each layer has specific role
- Modular topology—building blocks
- Easy to grow, understand, and troubleshoot
- Creates small fault domains— clear demarcations and isolation
- Promotes load balancing and redundancy
- Promotes deterministic traffic patterns
- Incorporates balance of both Layer 2 and Layer 3 technology, leveraging the strength of both
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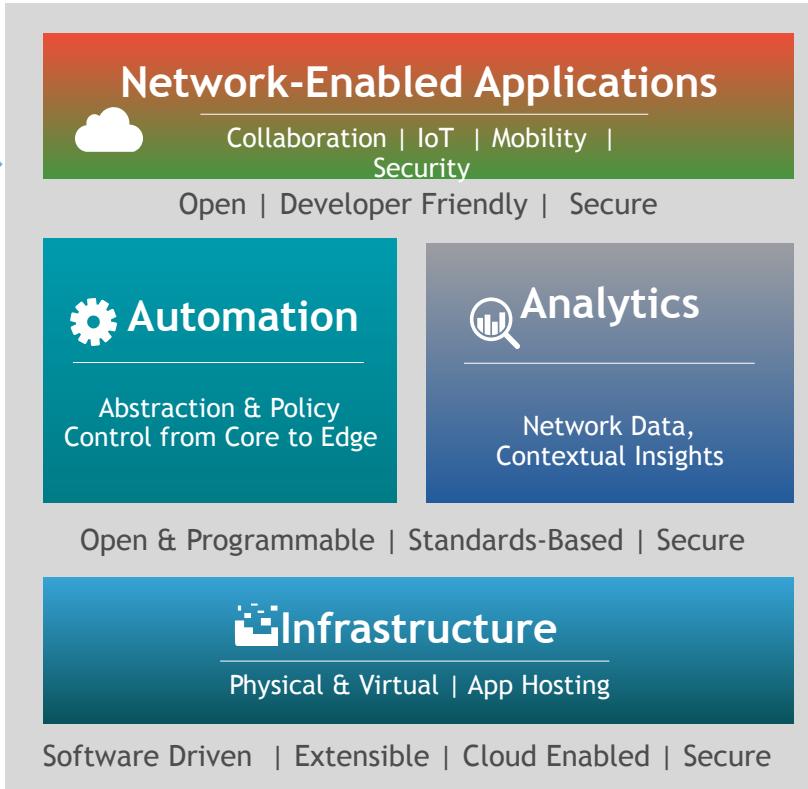
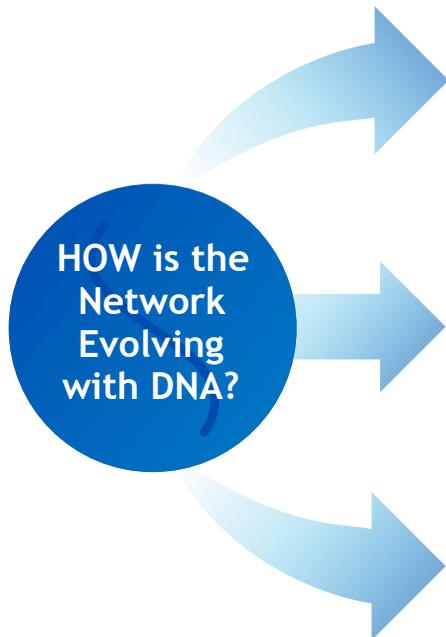


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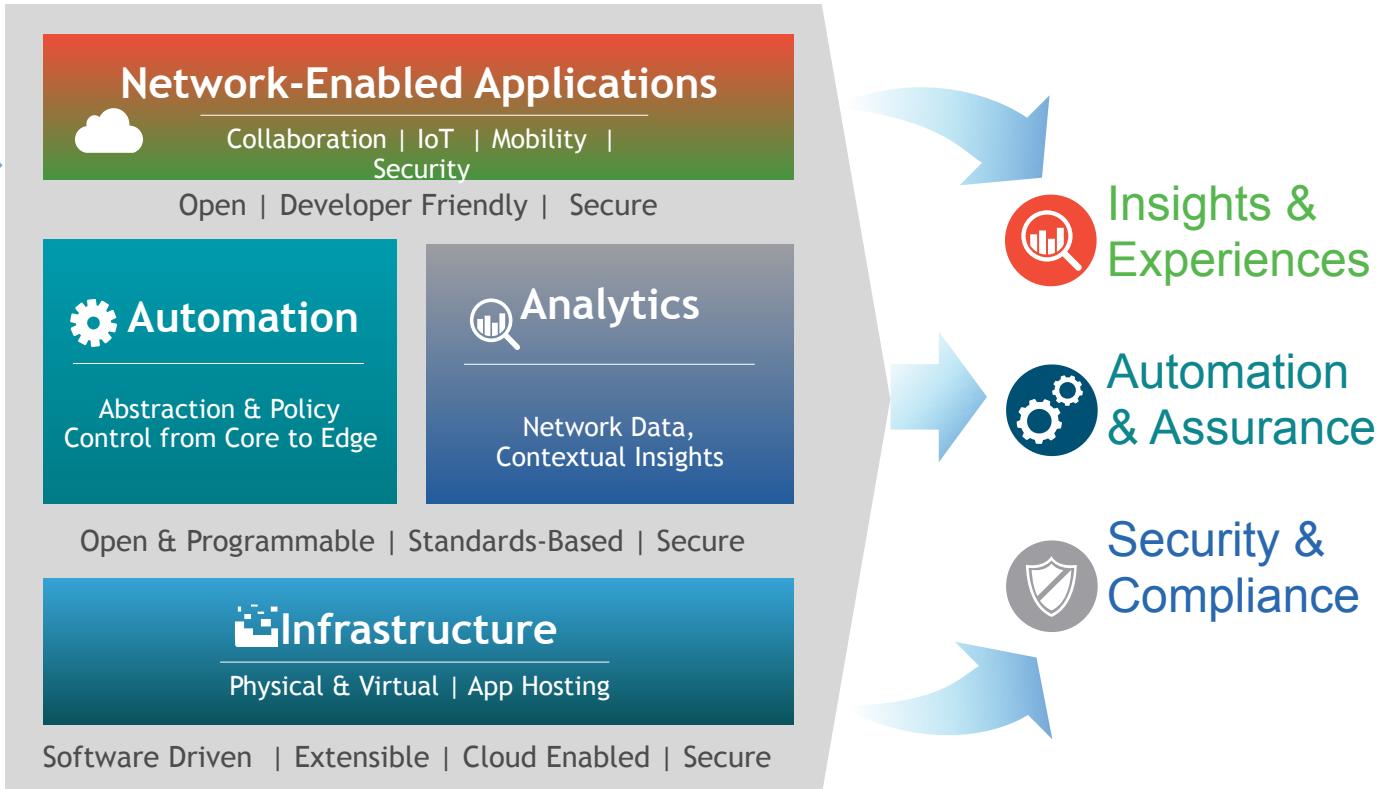
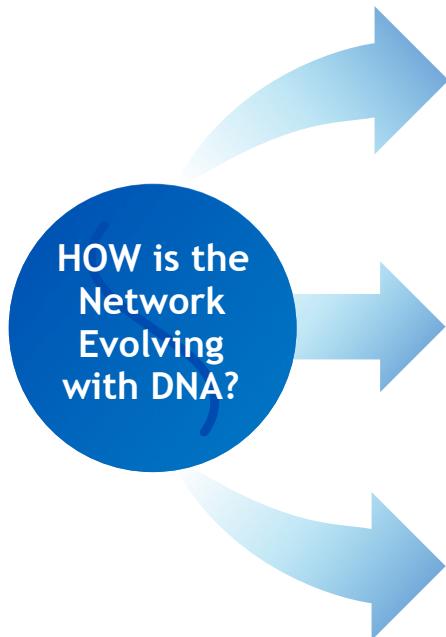
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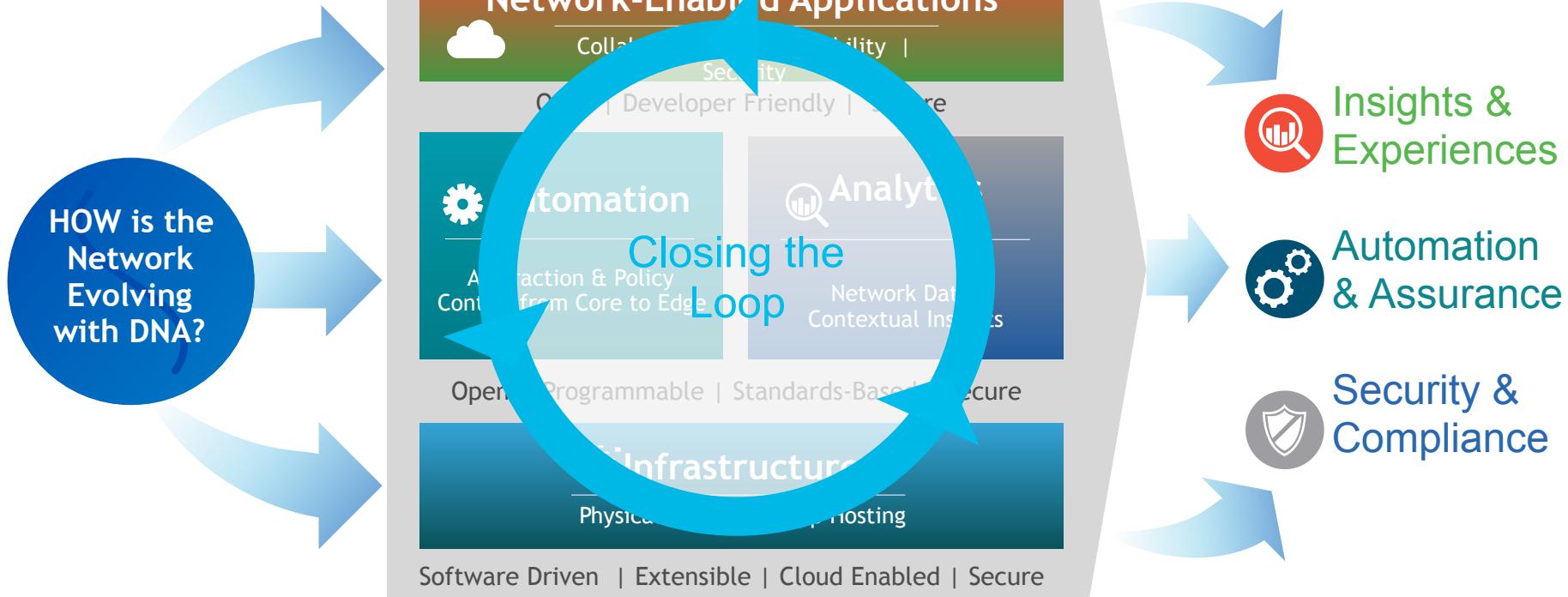
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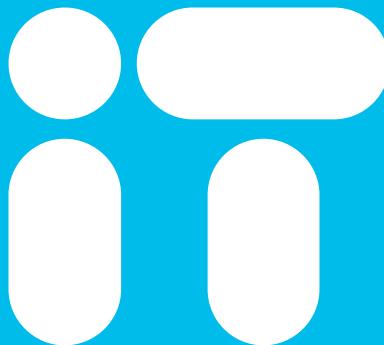


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