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What is network controller in SDN?

- Network controller is the cornerstone of SDN, particularly in its management.
- It is a highly scalable server role that provides a centralized programmable point of automation.
- The automation is provided to manage, configure, monitor and trouble shoot.
- By using the controller, we are automating the configuration and management of network infrastructure.
- It provides one application programming interface (API) that allows the controller to communicate & manage network devices, services, etc.
- Second API is used allows management applications to tell the controller what network settings & services they need.
- with southbound API, controller manage network devices & services.
- with northbound API, provides ability to manage the data center network.
- The controller allows you to manage virtual networks, firewalls, Software load Balancer, etc.

Q-2 = What are the central tasks of the Control Plane with its Network Controller?

- The central tasks of the Control Plane with its Network Controller are the following:-
- ⇒ The management of different Network Components.
- ⇒ The configuration of the hardware
- ⇒ The configuration of network security relevant specifications
- ⇒ The management of access to the network components
- ⇒ The control of data for forwarding by hardware
- ⇒ Creating the routing specifications for forwarding the data packets to the desired destination

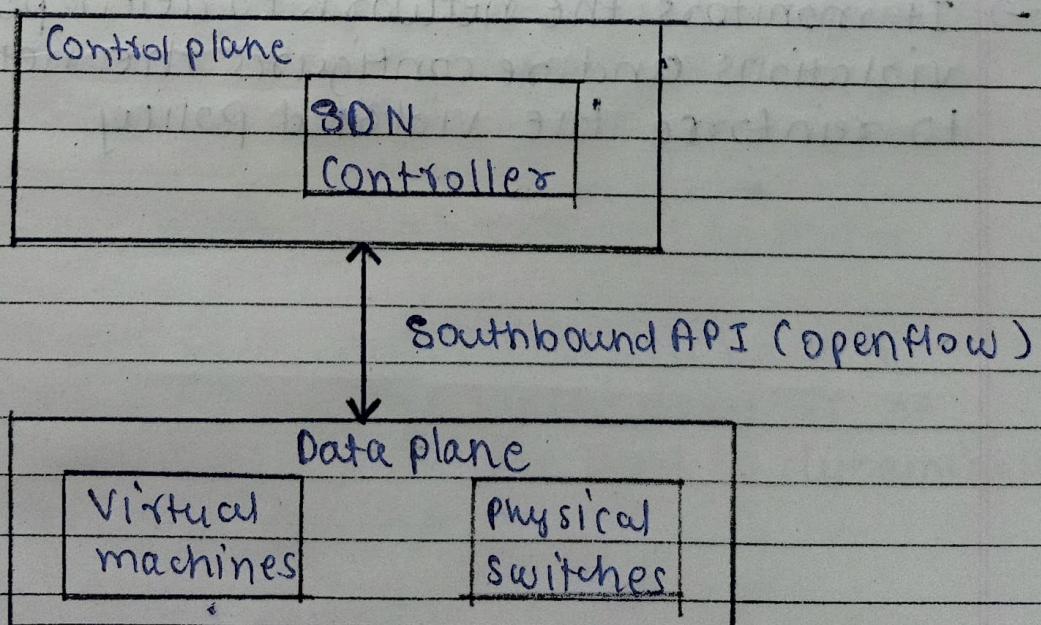
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What is the advantage of central intelligence over distributed intelligence in SDN?

- ⇒ As Software Defined Networking moves away from the concept of distributed intelligence and the use of different operating system.
- ⇒ In SDN, the intelligence of network is moved to a central instance and the configuration of individual devices is superfluous.
- ⇒ The goal of the concept or a bigger advantage is to reduce the network maintenance and administration.
- ⇒ Another advantage is increase of intelligence and flexibility.
- ⇒ In addition, the hardware can concentrate on its actual task, the data forwarding and is relieved of control & management functions.

Q-4 How does control plane and data plane communicate in SON?

- Depending on the implementation, the devices of control plane and the Data plane communicate via an open, standardized or manufacturer-specific protocols.
- The open flow protocol is an open source way to have the different planes of a network communicate.
- In SON, the south bound interface ensures communication between the control plane and data plane using a protocol such as open flow.
- The network controller thus controls the forwarding of packets through the hardware via the south bound interface.



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Explain Traffic Engineering with example.

=> Traffic engineering is a method for dynamically analyzing, regulating and predicting the behaviour of data flowing in the networks with the aim of performance optimization to meet SLAs.

* Policycop

=> An example of traffic engineering is policycop, which is an automated QoS policy enforcement framework.

=> It leverages the programmability offered by SON & openflow for:-

=> Dynamic traffic steering

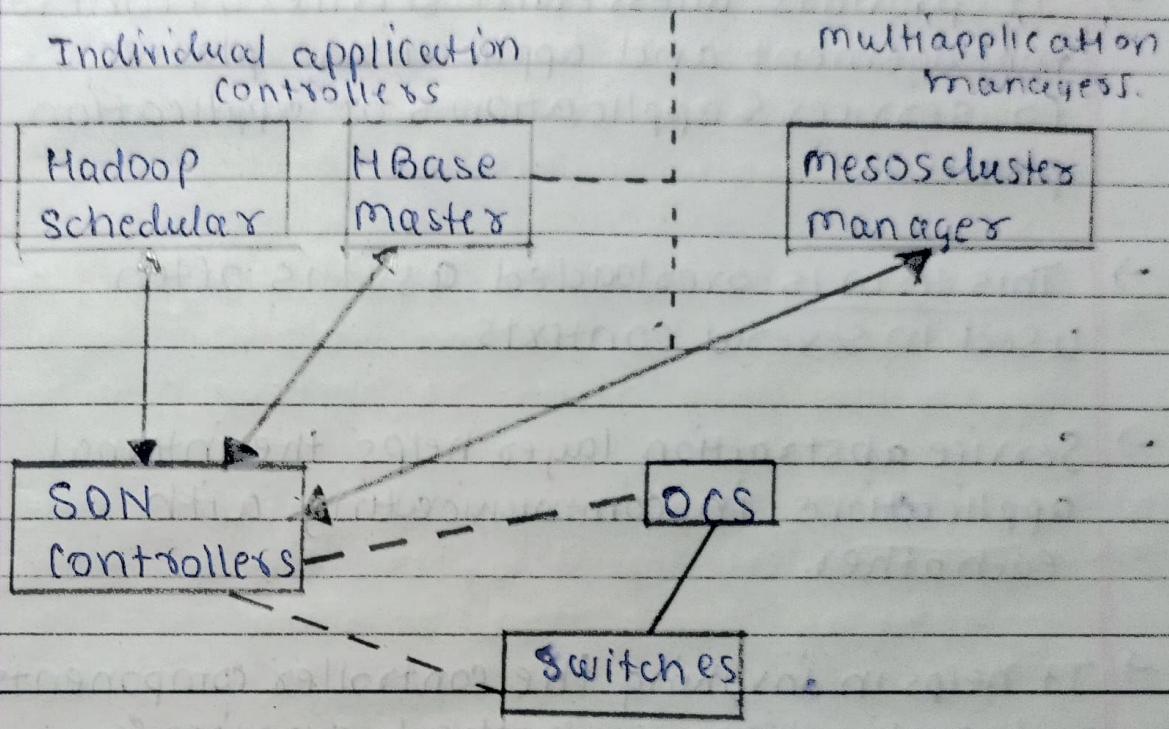
=> Flexible flow level control

=> Dynamic traffic releases

=> It monitors the network to detect policy violations and re configures the network to reinforce the violated policy

Q-5 How SDN works with Big Data & cloud computing?

Big Data over SDN :-



- ⇒ The above figure shows an integrated network control for Big Data.
- ⇒ The SDN controller is connected to Hadoop Scheduler, which forms queues of jobs and HBase master controller holds data.
- ⇒ SDN controller is also connected to Mesos.
- ⇒ From the above, it is possible to setup a scheme whereby, the traffic demands of big data applications are used to dynamically manage the network.

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What is the work of network services abstraction layer?

- It provides access from services of control, management and application planes to services & applications of application planes.
- This term is overloaded as it is often used in several contexts.
- Service abstraction layer helps the internal applications in communicating with each other.
- It helps in invoking the controller components and applications each other's services & also to subscribe the events which they generate.
- It helps for the specific underlying protocols in providing the uniform abstract interface in communication layer.

Q-8 Explain characteristics of Cloud Computing?

⇒ Following are the characteristics:-

(1) Broad Network Access:

⇒ Capabilities are there over network & accessed through standard mechanisms.
⇒ e.g. mobile phones, laptops, etc.

(2) Rapid elasticity:

⇒ Cloud computing enables you to expand & reduce resources according to your service requirement.

(3) Measured Service

→ Cloud systems automatically control & optimize resource use by leveraging a metering capability at some level.

(4) On-demand Self Service

→ A consumer can unilaterally provision computing capabilities, such as server time, network storage, as needed automatically without requiring human interaction with each service provider.

(5) Resource pooling

→ The provider's computing resources are pooled to serve multiple consumers using a multitenant model, with different physical & virtual resources assigned & reassigned dynamically.

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Explain layers of IOT in detail

=> (1)

Sensors and actuators => Sensors observe the environment & report back quantitative measurements of variables.

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Actuators operate on their environment, such as changing a setting, etc.

(2)

Connectivity => wireless /wired link into a network to send collected data to the appropriate data center or receive commands

(3)

Capacity => The network supporting the devices must be handle a potentially huge flow of data

(4)

Storage => There needs to be a large storage facility to store and maintain backups of all collected data.

Congestion

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Explain, control with congestion control techniques.

- ⇒ If traffic demand on an internet exceeds capacity or if internet does not manage traffic effectively, congestion will occur.
- ⇒ If packets arrive too quickly for routers to process them or faster than outgoing buffers, eventually packets will arrive when no memory is available.
- ⇒ As the load on network continues to increase, the queue lengths of various nodes continue to grow.
- ⇒ Eventually, a point is reached beyond which throughput actually drops with increased offered load.
- ⇒ As more and more packets are retransmitted, load on system grows.
- ⇒ As sender assumes the packet did not get through & retransmit it.
- ⇒ Under these scenarios, the effective capacity of system declines to zero.

* Congestion control techniques:-

(1) Back pressure:

- It is exerted on the basis of links or connections
- Back pressure for all traffic on a particular link is automatically invoked by flow control mechanisms of Data link layer protocols.
- It is also applied to logical connections, so that the flow from one node to next is restricted on some connections.

(2) Choke Packet

- It is a control packet generated at congested node and transmitted back to a source node to restrict traffic flow.
- On receiving choke packet, source must cut back the rate at which it is sending traffic.

(3) Implicit Congestion Signaling

- This type of signaling is an effective congestion control technique in connectionless, or datagram networks.

→ In such cases, there are no logical connections through the internet on which flow can be regulated.

(A) Explicit Congestion Signaling

- For this congestion avoidance, network alerts end systems to growing congestion within the network & end systems takes steps to reduce the offered load to the network.
- ⇒ This works in 2 directions:-
 - (1) Backward
 - (2) Forward