

SDN Approach to Large Scale Global Data Centers

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Welcome!



SDN: The New Frontier

Boldly going where no Network has gone before

But where Servers and Storage have been living...





How Big is Your Data Center?



100 End Stations?

3200 End Stations?

3000000 End Stations?









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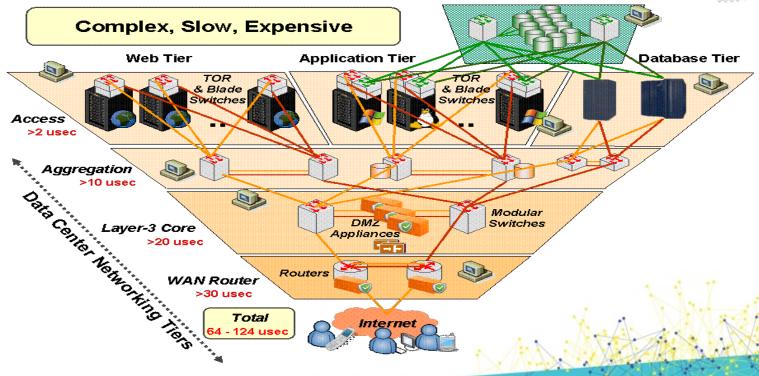


What's the network to do?



Business as usual?



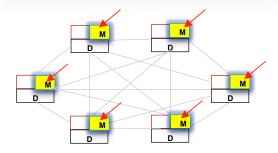




Data Centers at Large Scale

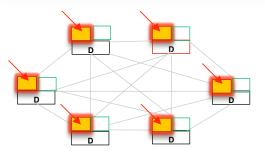


Configuration & Management



Every network element has Control (C), Management (M) and Data (D) plane

Complex Protocols



Simply not feasible to manage large networks based on current model Very complex to build large scale stable networks

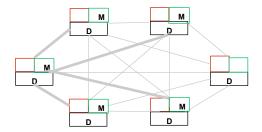
Server Virtualization adds tremendous complexity to the network



Why are Networks Inefficient?



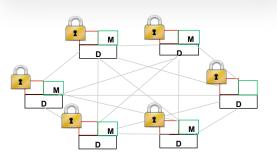




available resources

Network is not able to make best use of

Closed Network



Closed networks are hard to change

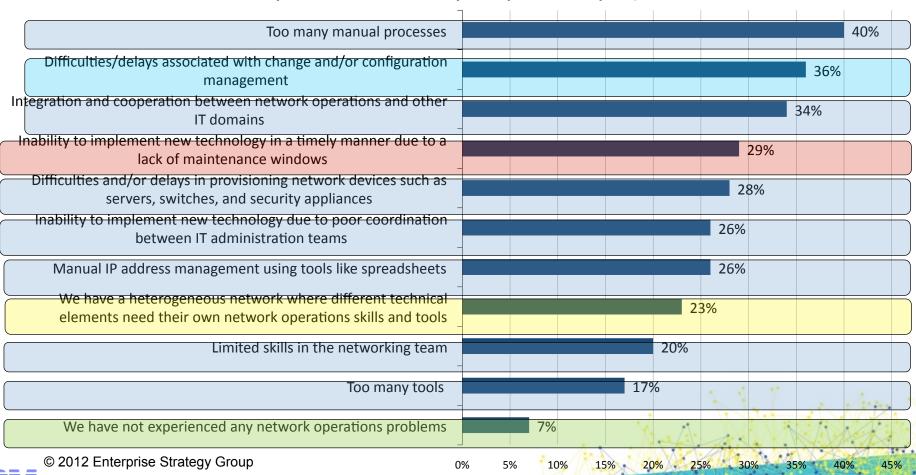




Which is one is you?



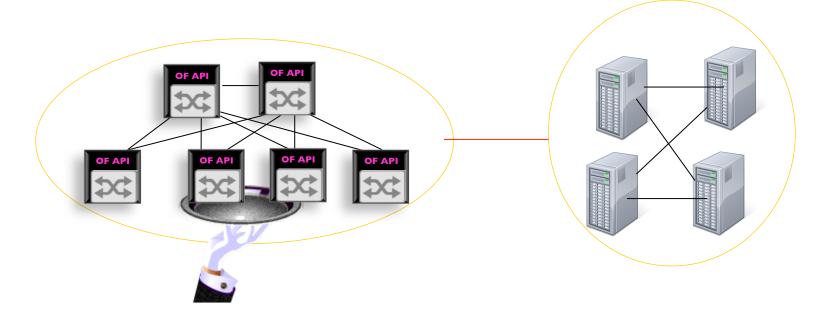
Has your organization experienced any of the following network operations problems? (Percent of respondents, N=280, multiple responses accepted)





Network of the Future



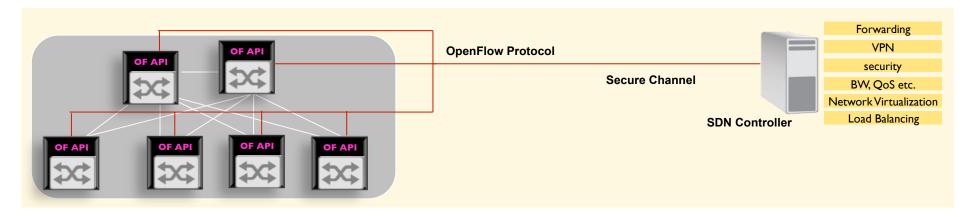


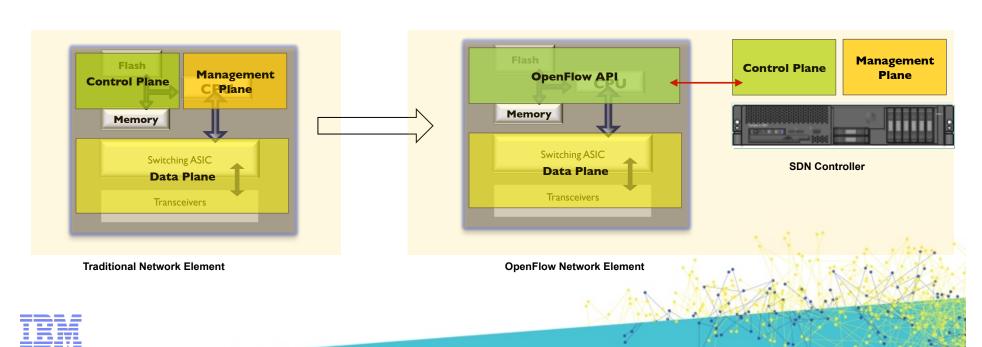
- Easy to scale and manage
- Programmable to meet application needs in real time
- Open standards based programmable network elements
- Presents Network As A Service (NAAS) and Network As An Infrastructure (NAAI)



Software Defined Network: Let's build a smarter network



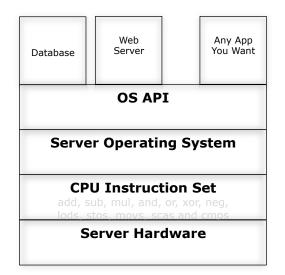


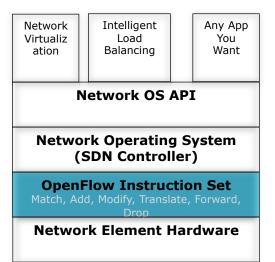


SDN with OpenFlow: An Architecture for large scale networks



An Analogy





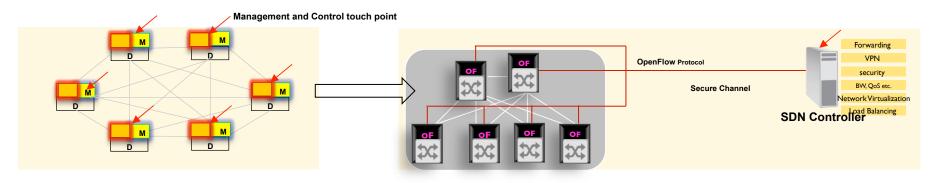






SDN: Simple, Scalable Network Management





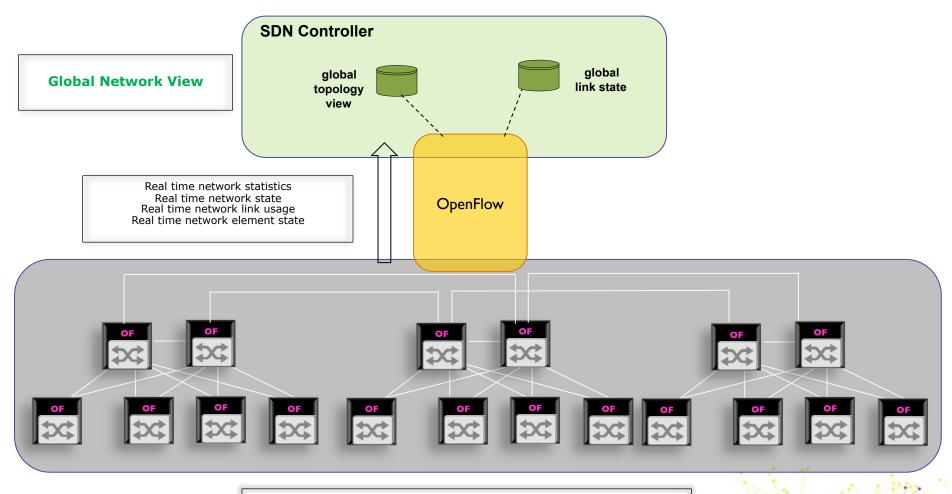
- Standard based homogenous network
- Each element has same configuration, management and control interface
- Automated configuration, management and control of the network
- One touch point (SDN Controller) versus thousands of touch points (Network Elements)

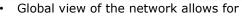
- Greatly reduce OPEX cost of the network
- Greatly reduce network management complexity
- · Greatly reduce network downtime



SDN: Smarter Network for Large Scale Deployment





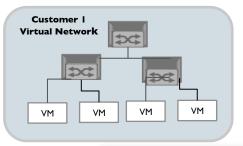


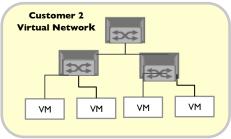
- quick network convergence
- Efficient use of all available bandwidth
- · Easy addition or removal of network capacity

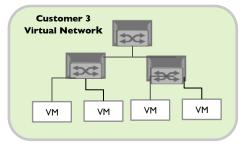


SDN: Virtualizing the Network





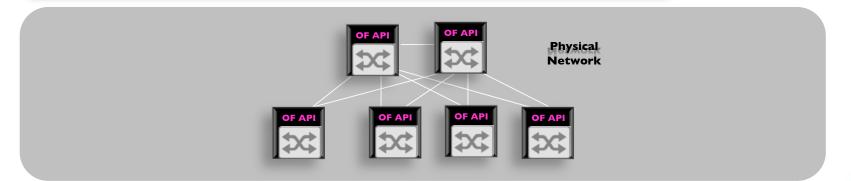




SDN Virtualization Plane

- OpenFlow virtualization of physical network infrastructure
 - Wire once physical network
 - Program as per business needs







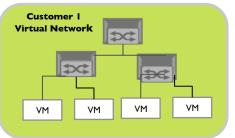
Network As An Infrastructure

SDN: Cloud Multi Tenancy - Build for Scale

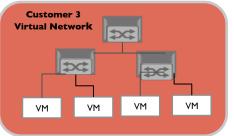
Customer 2

Virtual Network



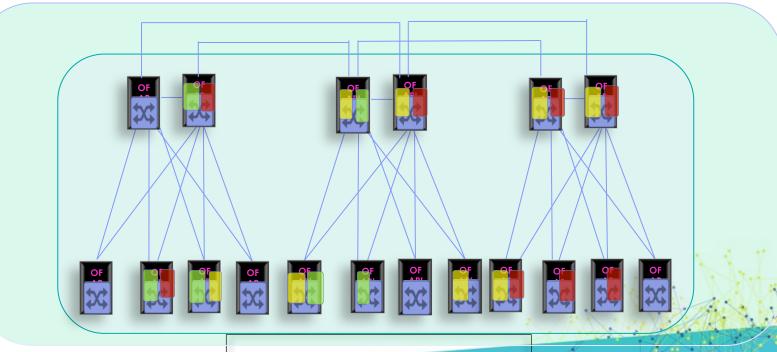






Customer I SDN Controller Customer 2 SDN Controller





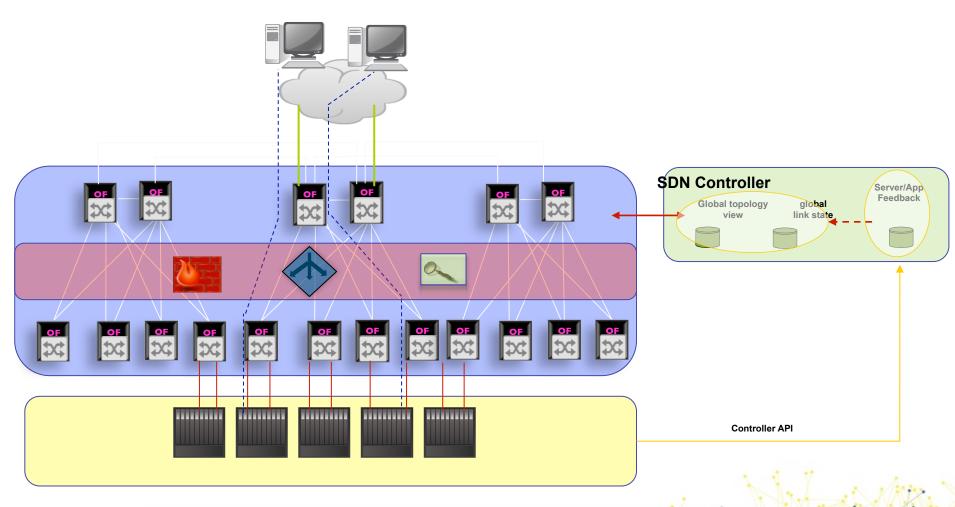
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SDN: Smarter use of Network and Appliances



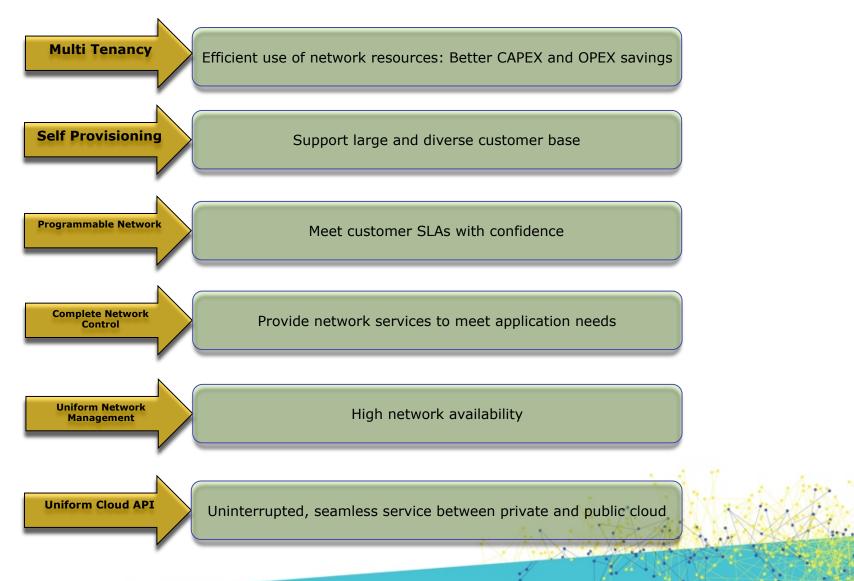






OpenFlow Based SDN for Large Scale Data Centers









SDN in the WAN
for
Large Scale Global Data Centers

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datacenter

No man is an island

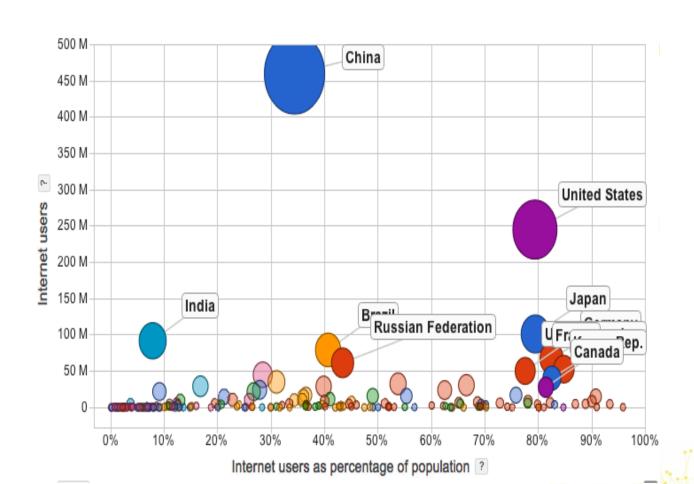
Agenda



- Trends
- User requirements
- SDN Benefits

More global and a lot more users





2000

Smarter and powerful end points



- As powerful as desktops few years ago
- 4G, HD videos, high resolution camera, NFC chips, ...
- Ubiquitous
- Disposable

Lots of cellphones, too few toilets - Indian Census 2011

Apps & Services













































More, more and more data



User Requirements





Fast & Interactive

Faster Connection

Move data closer

to users



Free or Low Price

Lower cost of running service



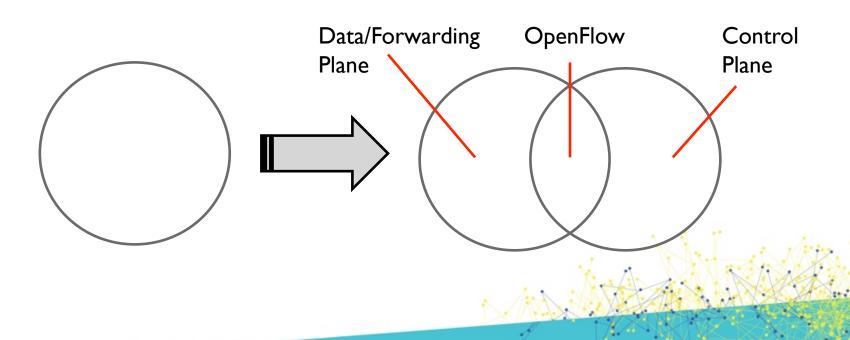
24x7 availability

High availability

Software Defined Networking

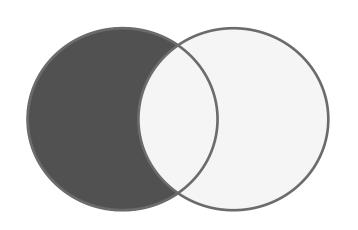


- Control plane decoupled from data plane
- Standard protocol for information exchange



Network Devices (Data Plane)





- Simpler
- More Scalable
- Easier deployment & upgrades

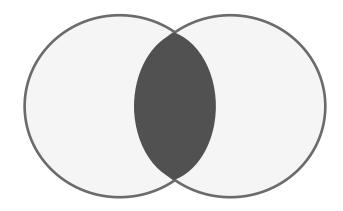


- Lower Capex and Opex
- Higher availability

OpenFlow (Information Exchange Protocol)



Interoperability

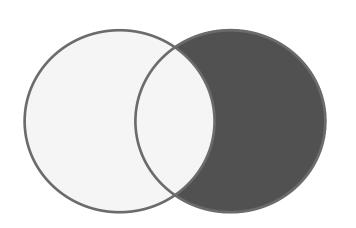


- Choice of gear from multiple vendors
- Decouples network device from management/ control software



Network OS (Management/Control Software)





- Centralized Management
- Global Optimization
- Application Driven Networking



- Lower downtime and Opex
- Higher utilization
- More network services

Summary



SDN has huge potential

- Better network management
- Higher utilization and availability
- Unleash innovation in network services

Enjoy the ride!





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