

## 2013 ONS Tutorial 2: SDN Market Opportunities

SDN Vendor Landscape and User Readiness
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## **Goals & Non-Goals**

### Goals:

- Describe the movement to software based IT functionality
- Discuss the overall SDN strategy and the go to market SDN strategy of representative vendors – identify differences and points of emphasis
- Describe the current enterprise SDN market and predict how that will change over the next 2 years

### Non-Goals:

- To be exhaustive
- To read every bullet on every slide; e.g., Go to market strategies

# Agenda

The Shift to Software

Market Strategies

State of the Market & Predictions





## The Traditional Data Network

- Network functionality is typically implemented either in a dedicated appliance or in an ASIC
- The appliances are proprietary
- Each appliance is configured individually
- Policy is often administered using a proprietary CLI or API
- Scripting languages can automate some tasks
- Provisioning, change and de-provisioning are very time consuming and error prone



### The Shift to Software

- Many traditional network functions that were once done in dedicated appliances are now a software application running on a general purpose CPU.
- This includes:
  - WAN Optimization Controllers
  - Application Delivery Controllers
  - Routers
  - Firewalls
  - IDS/IPS



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# **HP SDN Strategy**

Deliver open programmable interfaces to **Application** Layer automate orchestration of network services SDN Architecture Separate control and data plane; abstract Control control plane of many devices to one Layer Open standard-based programmatic access Infrastructure Layer to infrastructure



## **HP SDN Go To Market**

**Application** Layer

> Control Layer

Infrastructure Layer



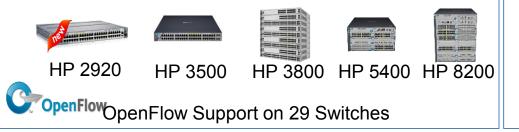




Virtual Cloud Networks, Sentinel Security & Open APIs



Virtual Application Networks SDN Controller





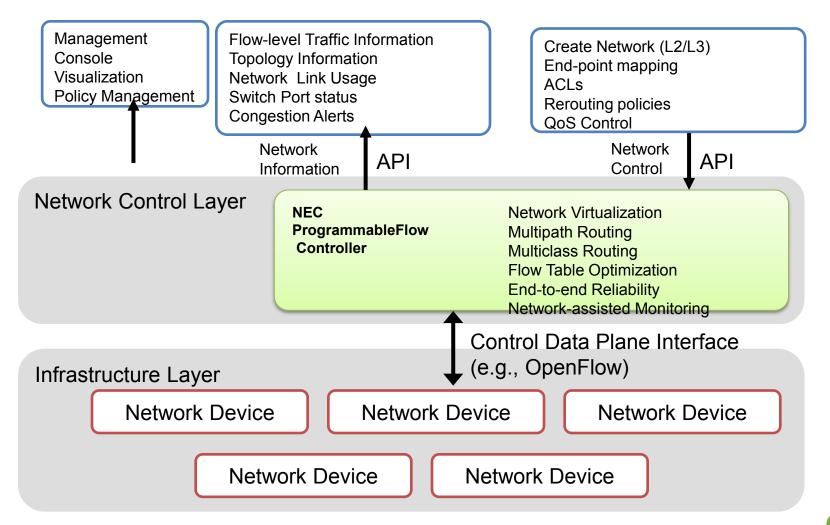
Intelligent Manageme nt Center (IMC) & Virtual App **Networks** Manager



SDN Architecture

Management

# **NEC SDN Strategy: ProgrammableFlow**





## **NEC Go to Market**

- PF5240, PF5248 Hybrid SDN Switches
- PF5820: 10 GbE Pure OpenFlow Switch
- PF1000: Virtual SDN switch for HyperV environments
- PF6800: SDN Controller
- SDN Professional Services:
  - Design, installation, monitoring
  - SDN Systems integration
- Relationships with IBM and Brocade



# **Cisco's SDN Strategy**

**Bringing the Network Closer To Applications** 

Hardware + Software

Physical + Virtual

Network + Compute

Applications



Platform APIs OPEN NETWORK
ENVIRONMENT

Network Overlays

Controllers and Agents

"SDN"



# Cisco ONE – Execution Progress Expanded Platform Support (as of Feb 1st, 2013)

**Platform APIs** 

### onePK Platforms

- ISR G21H13
- ASR 1000 (H13)
- ASR 9000\*
- Nexus 30C<sub>1H13</sub>
- Nexus 7000\*

Controller/Agents

#### ONE Controller



### **OpenFlow Agents**

- Catalyst 3000\*
- Catalyst 6500\*
- Nexus 3000 1H13
- Nexus 7000\*
- ASR 9000\*

### **Overlay Networks**

### **CSR 1000V**



### Nexus 1000V Updates

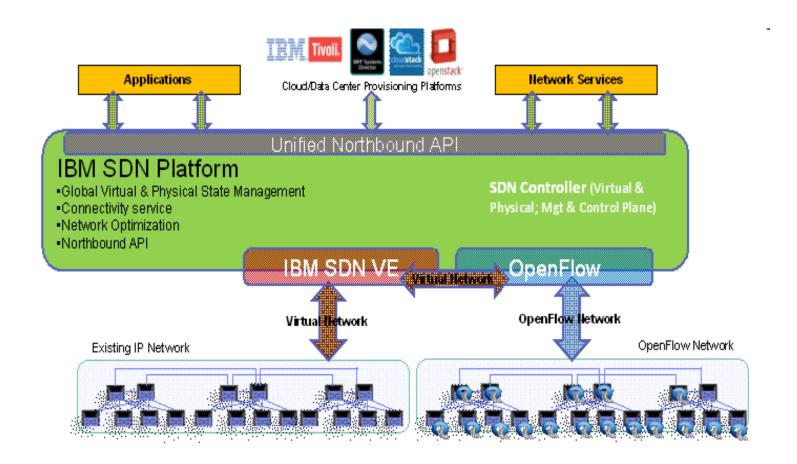
- •N1KV Hyper-V IIII
- •N1KV KVM\*
- •VXLAN Gateway

# Cisco Edition of OpenStack

N1KV InterCloud



# **IBM's SDN Strategy**





# IBM's SDN Go To Market Strategy

### Architecture

- All IBM switches are OpenFlow compliant
- IBM's OpenFlow controller is OpenFlow compliant
- Uses VXLAN for virtual overlays
- Uses proprietary control plane for overlays

### Products

- OpenFlow switches: Oct. 2011
- Edge Virtual Bridging (802.1Qbg): Jan 2012
- Distributed vSwitch: Feb. 2012
- OpenFlow controller: Nov. 2012



# **Alcatel-Lucent Strategy (Enterprise BU)**

### **Programmability**

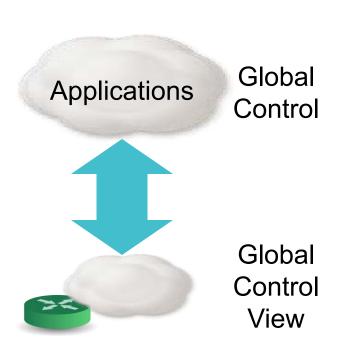
- Link between application and network
- Orchestrated activity to optimize performance
- Cross-referenced performance visibility

# From Application Awareness to Application Fluency

- Network automatically reacts to virtualized workloads
- Dynamic tuning of network traffic handling

### **Global Control View**

- Improve local decisions making
- Export view to application control







# Alcatel-Lucent Go to Market Strategy (Enterprise BU)

- Problem to be solved
- Architecture
- Control

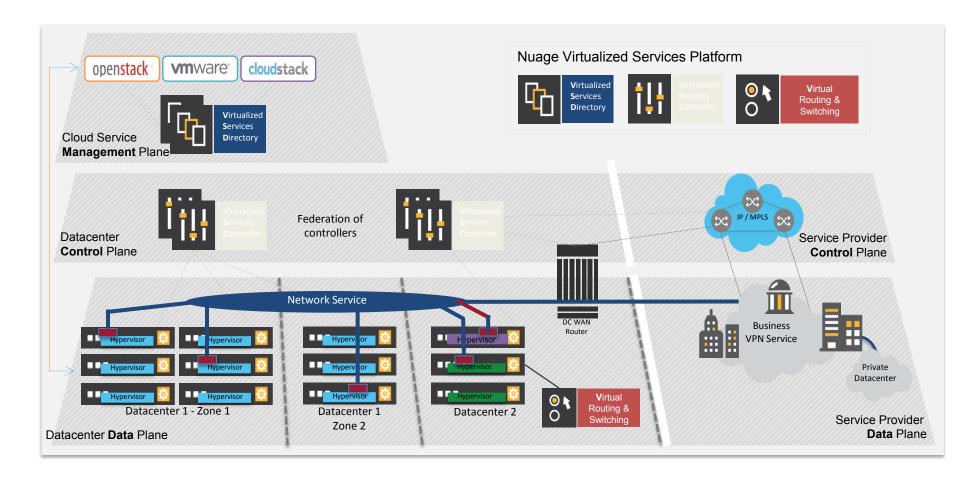
Data Forwarding

 Data Plane to Control Plan Comms

- Automated provisioning; High quality user experience
- 3 Tier: Data, control, apps
- Centralized view shared with physical network and apps
- Sophisticated and autonomous policy driven switching
- Based on RESTful interfaces and existing protocols



# Nuage Networks Virtualized Services Platform (VSP)



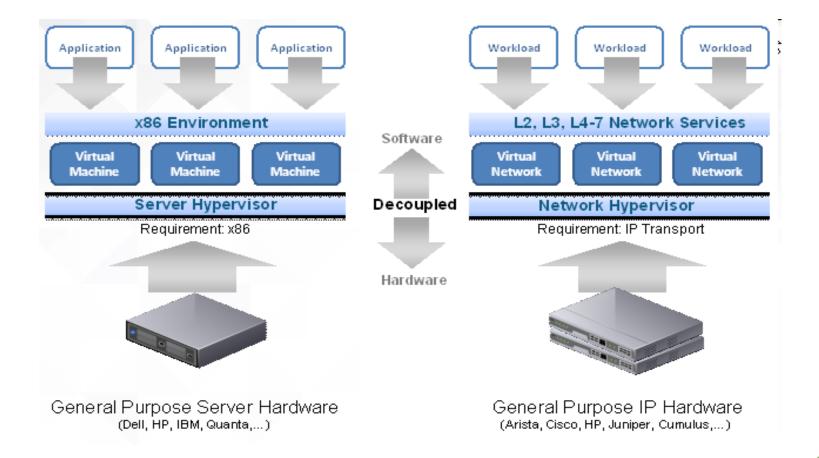


# Juniper's Emerging SDN Strategy

- In December 2012 Juniper acquired Contrail Systems
- Less of a focus on OpenFlow, more on BGP
- Has a focus on centralization, but carves out a role for distributed intelligence
- Expects to roll out products based on the Contrail acquisition in 2014
- March 2013 announced the EX9200 programmable switch



# Nicira/VMWare Strategy: Network Virtualization



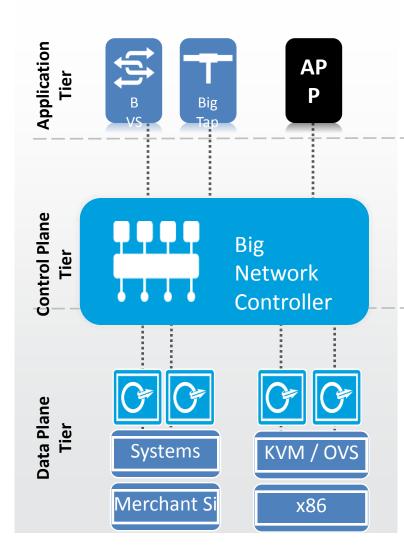


# **Components of Nicira/VMware Strategy**

- Focused on the data center
- Network services supported at the virtual network layer do not need to be supported by hardware
- Traffic is transported using L2 in L3 tunnels
- Network agnostic, but recommends limited oversubscription
- Fully distributed controllers
- Marks packets for QoS so that the network can enforce

## **BIG SWITCH NETWORKS**

# **OPEN SDN**



#### Open APIs - Northbound

- Accelerates partner app development
- 2 BSN apps; several partner apps
- Dynamic provisioning and automation

### **Open Source Core**

- Unified data and policy model
- Fully programmable fabric
- More than 10K downloads YTD

#### Standards-Based Protocols - Southbound

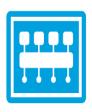
- Support for Physical & Virtual Devices
- 12 data plane vendors verified
- Maximizes customer choice
- Eliminates vendor lock-in
- Maximum deployment flexibility



# **OPEN-SDN PRODUCT SUITE**



Big Virtual Switch



Big Network Controller

Dynamically provisions Virtual Network Segments to make the network as agile and dynamic as your other cloud infrastructure. It delivers:

- Dynamic Network Provisioning for Cloud Workloads
- Dramatic Increase in Data Center Resource Utilization
- Ultimate Network Flexibility and Scalability
- Leverages OpenFlow & SWITCH-LIGHT to enable ZERO-TOUCH NETWORKING

Leading Open SDN platform, delivers unified network intelligence, programmability and scalability:

- Common network abstraction on network infrastructure
- Normalized policy and functions across fabric
- Standards-Based and 100% Open Source
- Enterprise Class Manageability, Scalability & Resiliency
- 100% open source, based on the Floodlight Project

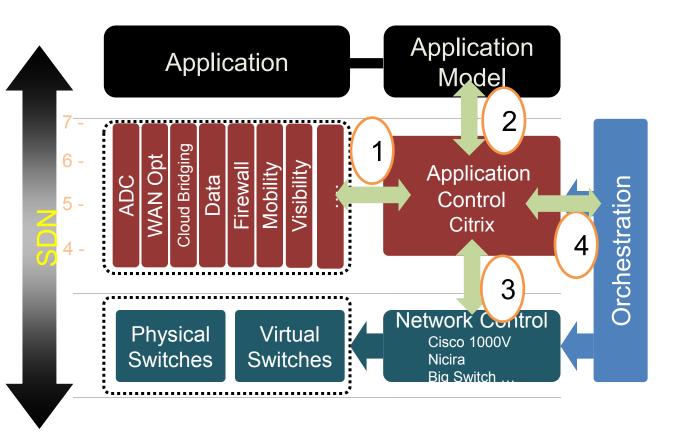


Switch Light

Thin Switching Software that enables dramatic changes in network operations:

- Centralized deployment and automation of your SDN network
- Choice in networking hardware with a standards-based OpenFlow implementation
- Dramatically reduces costs of network operations through zero touch networking
- 100% open source, based on the Floodlight Project

# **Citrix SDN Strategy**



- Leverage "existing"
  Application Control real estate (e.g. NetScaler)
- 2 Application-centric Design of new networks
- Integrate Applicationawareness into L2-3 Controllers
- Orchestration across L2-7



# **Radware SDN Strategy**

- Focused on QoE via availability, security and performance
- QoE is defined by a combination of policies
- Creating apps to run in a virtual environment
- Their apps sit on the controller and communicate via the northbound API and sometimes use OpenFlow to communicate directly with switches
- First version of their apps will use log monitoring and analysis as well as OpenFlow based monitoring
- App: DefenseFlow dynamically scalable attack mitigation solution
- App: ElastiFlow Address seasonal application usage patterns and Network Function Virtualization



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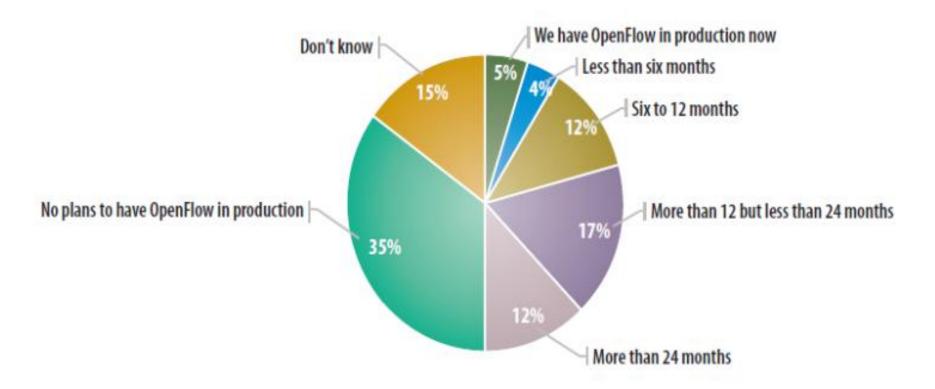
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# **Enterprise SDN Deployment Plans**



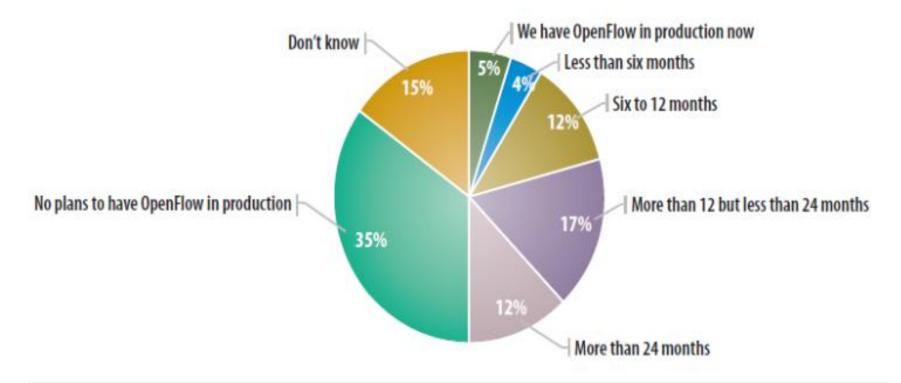
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## SDN Circa 2017



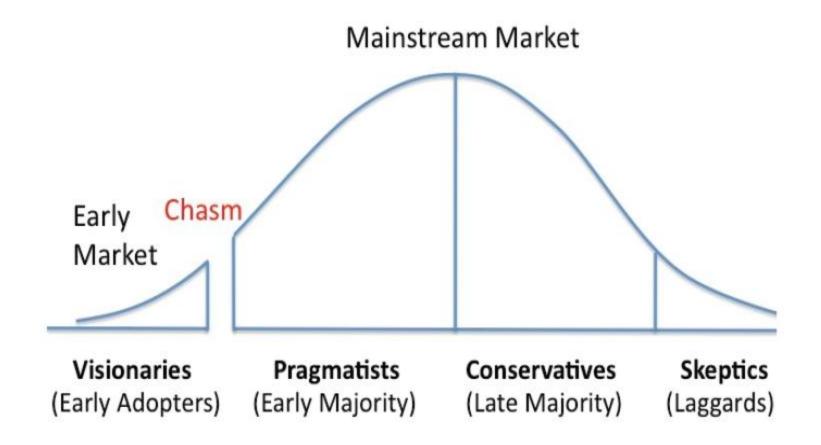
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# **Crossing the Chasm**





# What will it take for SDN to Cross the Chasm?

- Compelling use cases
- Compelling business cases
- Creation of a developer community
- Increased consensus on what it is and how to implement it
- Robustness and stability of OpenFlow
- Minimum disruption of the existing environment



# What will it take for SDN to Cross the Chasm?

- Robustness and stability of Northbound APIs
- High degree of interoperability
- Certification programs
- Robust testing capabilities
- Development of new management and security procedures
- The lack of a major issue; e.g., security, performance



## **Predictions**

- In 2013 many of the products that were announced in 2012 come to market
- New announcements (products, partnerships, acquisitions, direction) on a frequent basis
- ASICs designed to support OpenFlow are available
- More vendors adopt OpenFlow v1.3
- The standards process broadens and moves forward slowly



## **Predictions**

- More sophisticated testing enables NEMs to better test products
- Focus remains primarily the data center, but more attention on the branch office
- Vast majority of organizations that are trialing or using SDN remain quiet about what they are doing.
- At least one or two major surprises



# Thank You



