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LINE 実用例

Verda Network Development Team, LINE Corporation

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Internet Week 2021

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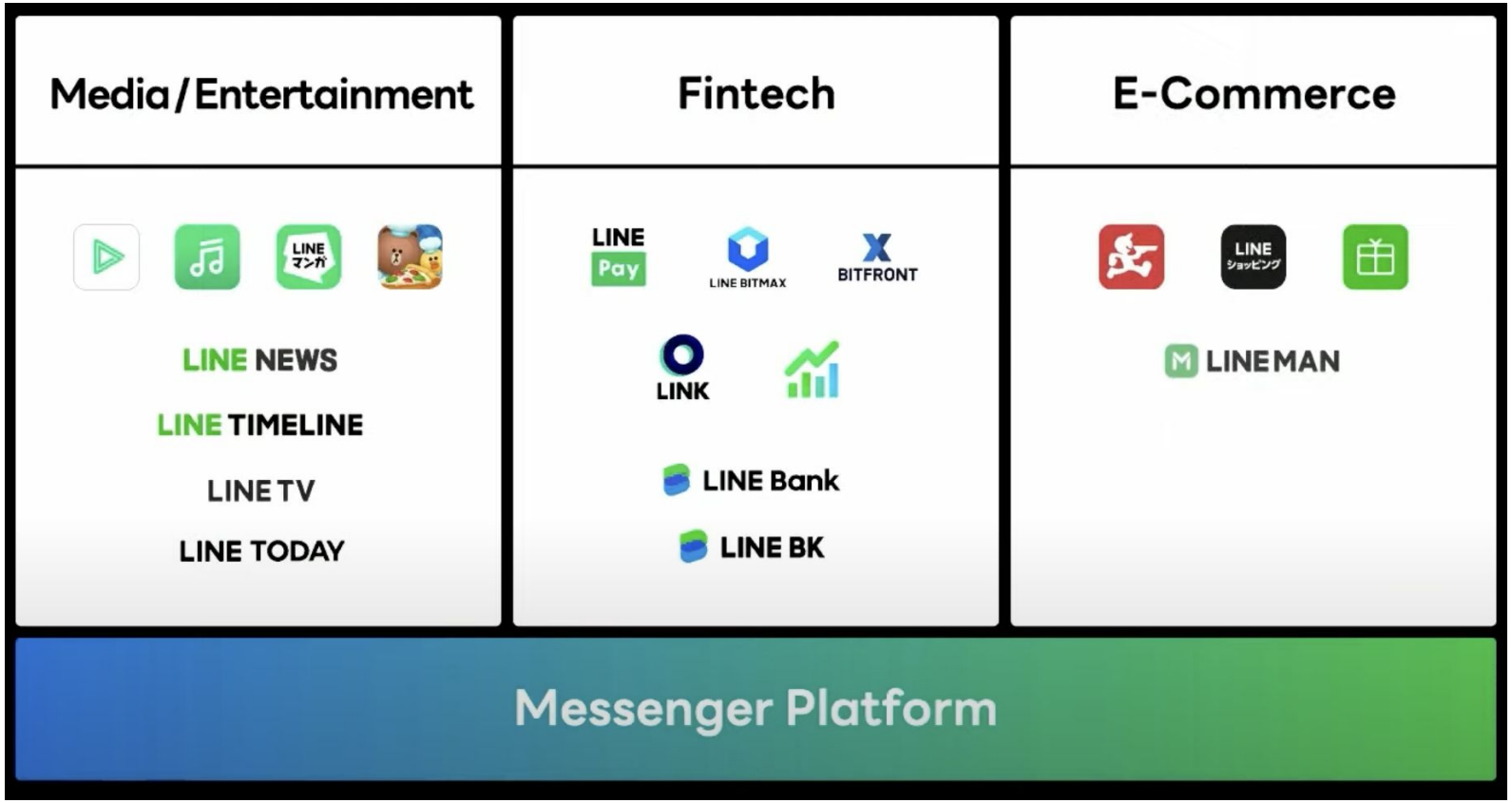
- Senior Software Engineer @ Private Cloud
  - Responsibility: SDN, Cloud Networking
    - Design / Implementation / Reliability
    - SRv6, BGP OSS Upstream Developer
      - FRRouting, ExaBGP, etc..
      - https://github.com/slankdev/
  - HN: slankdev

I ❤ both Control-plane, Data-plane

Agenda

- About LINE Corporation and its infrastructure
- Looking back LINE’s Software Defined Networking
  - Pain Point / Case Study / Knowledge

About LINE



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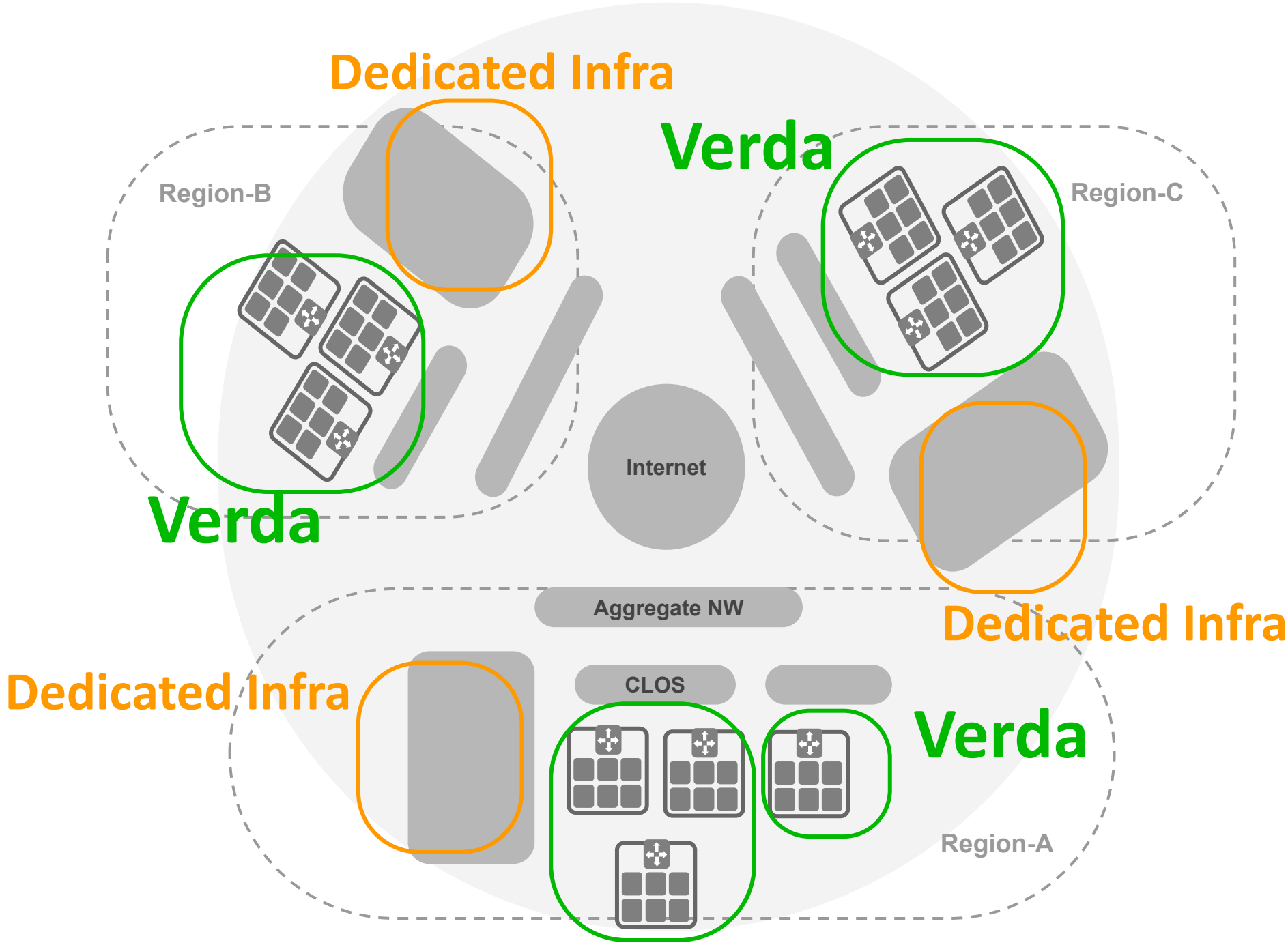
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Total VMs **85,000+** (New 10k VMs / Half)
Total PMs **30,000+**
Total HVs **4,000+**
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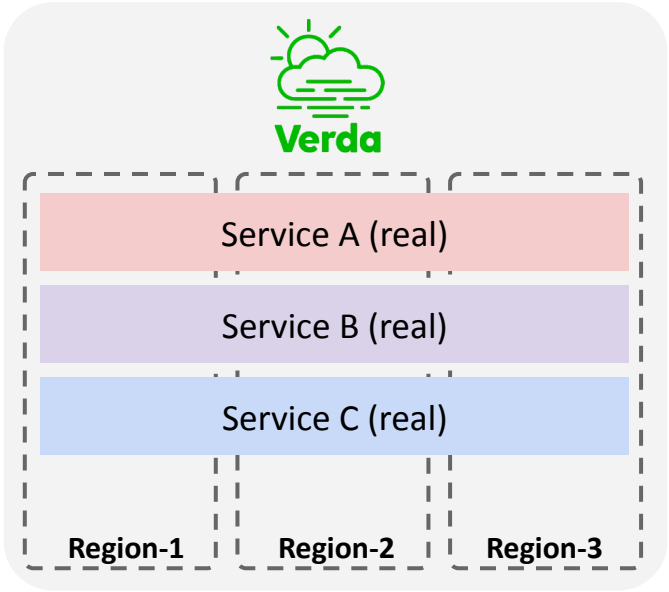

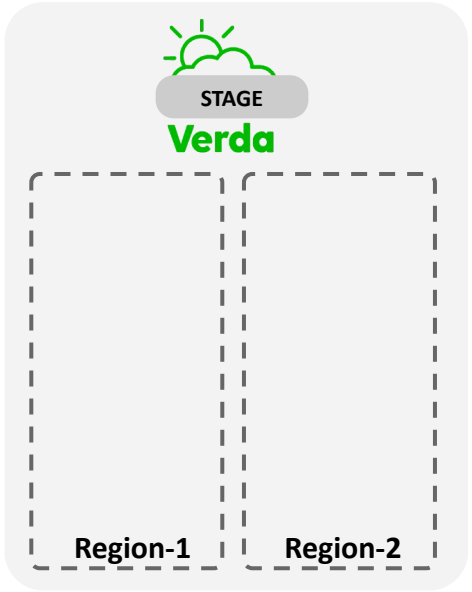

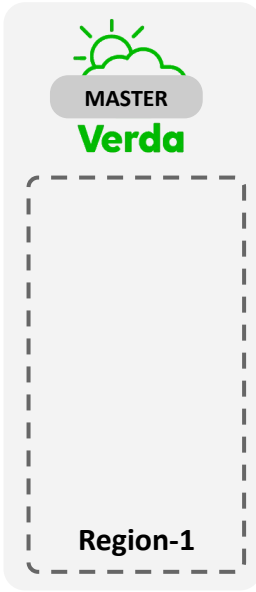

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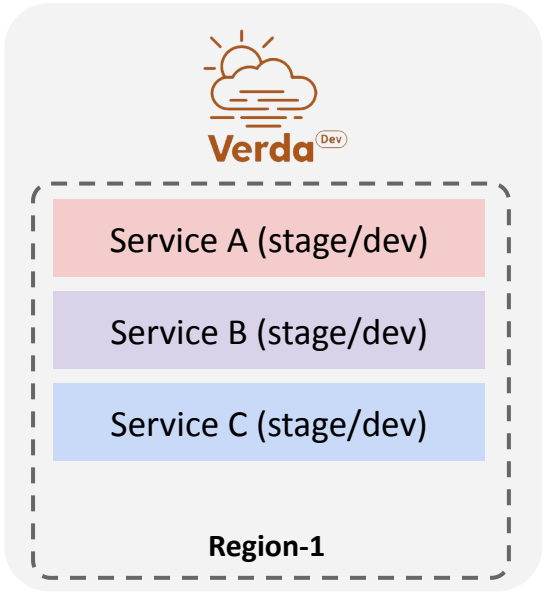

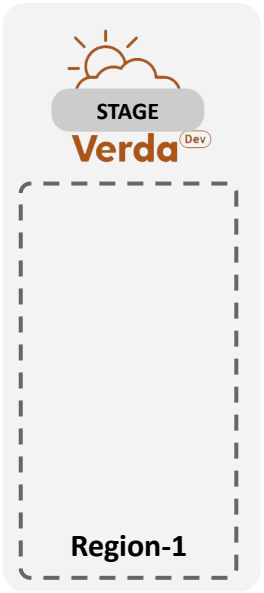

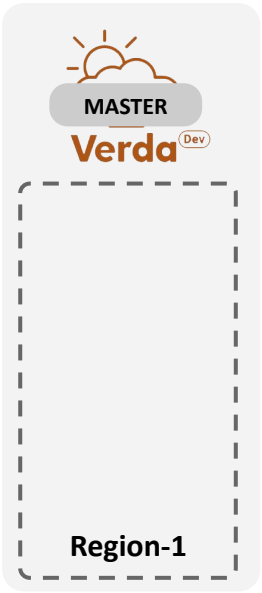

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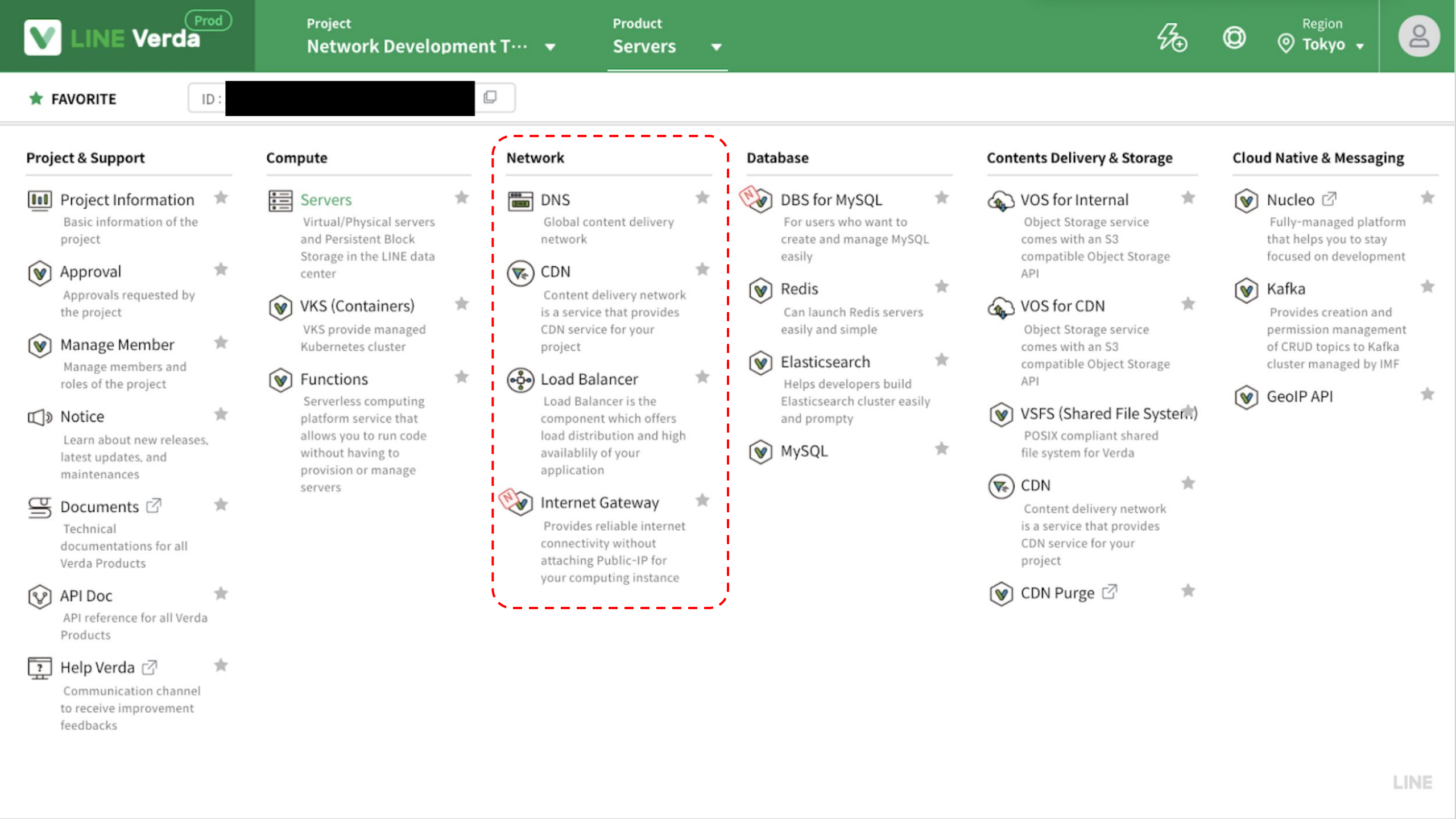
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  - customer support
  - maintenance
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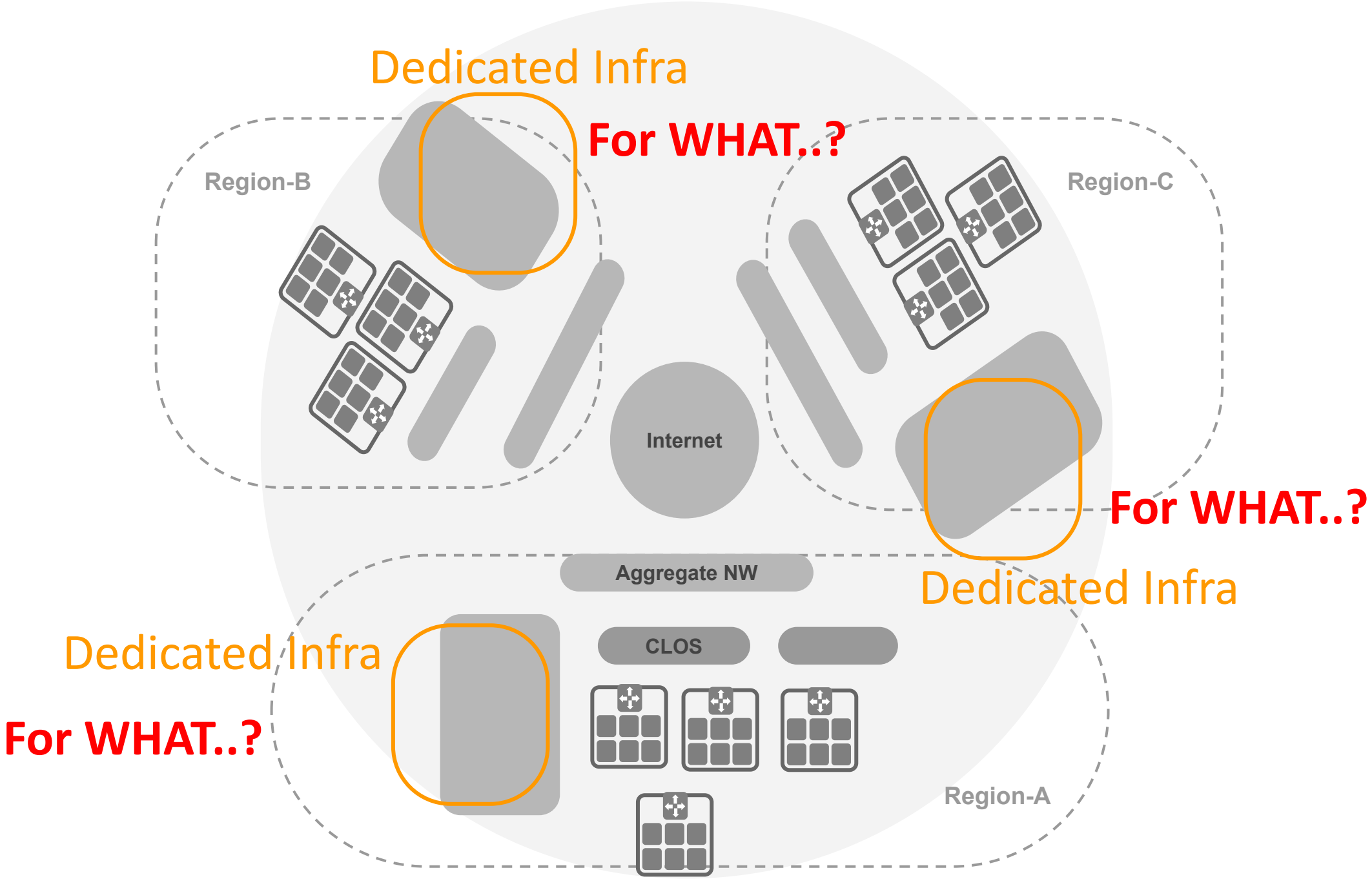
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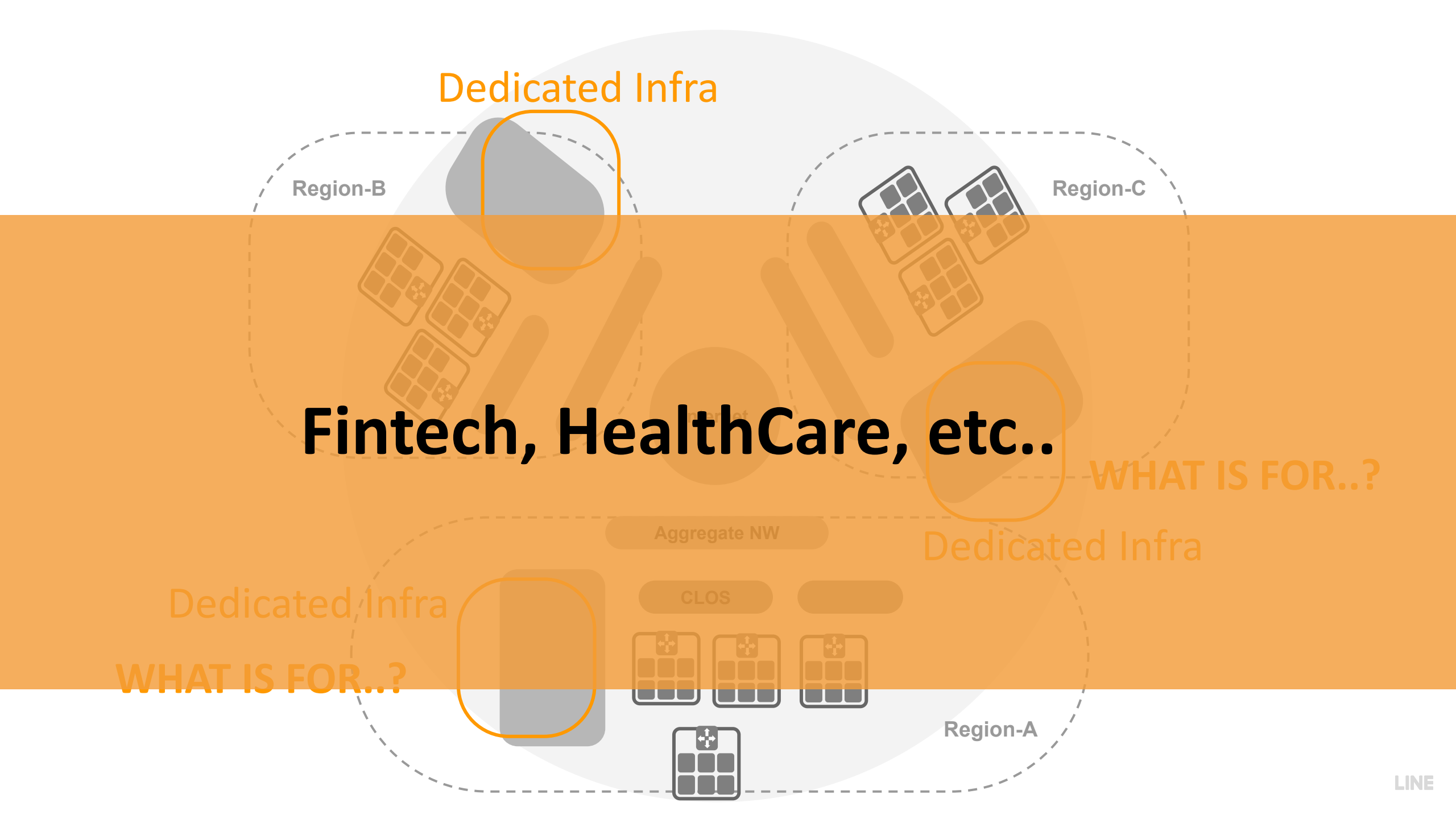
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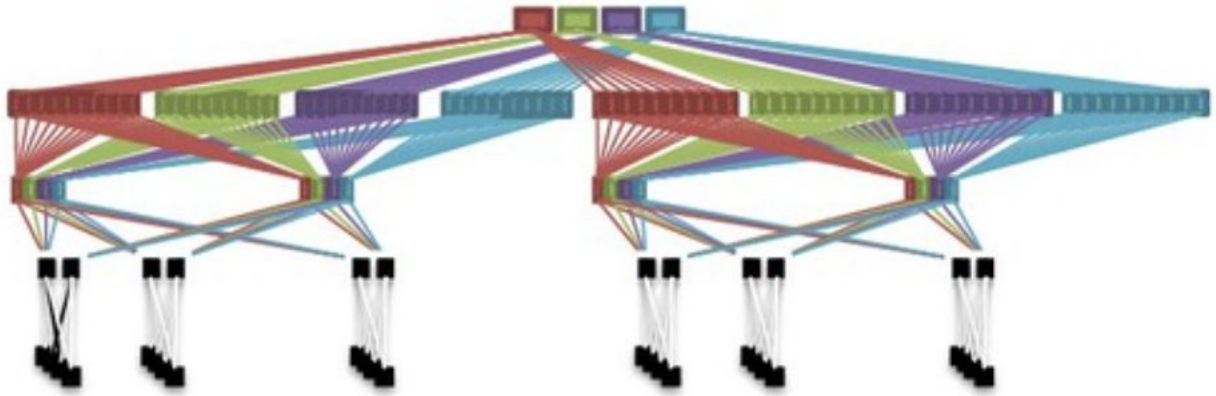
LINE Services and Networks

Latest Infra Challenge

Full L3 CLOS Network*

- Single tenant network
- LINE message service and related services running

Messaging, Manga, Game, ...

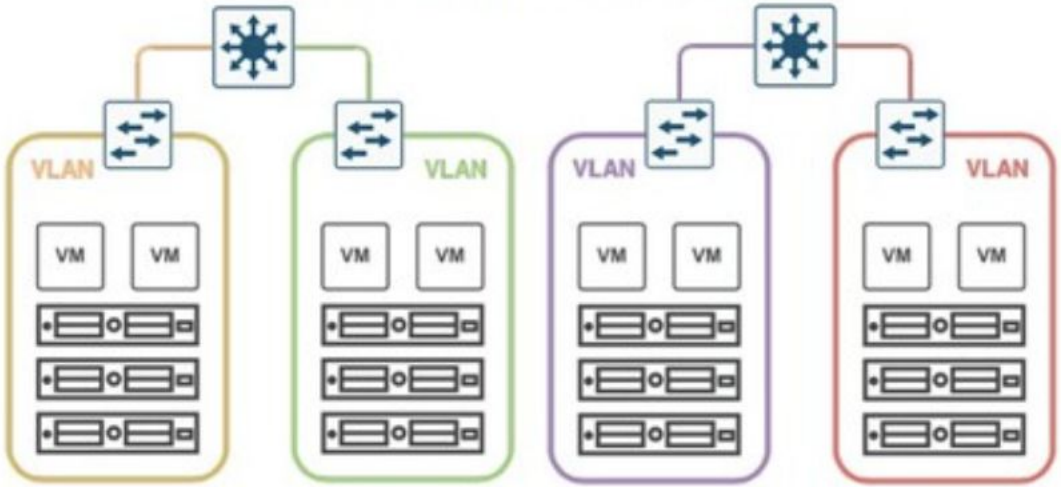


* Excitingly simple multi-path OpenStack networking: LAG-less, L2-less, yet fully redundant
https://www.slideshare.net/linecorp/excitingly-simple-multipath-openstack-networking-lagless-l2less-yet-fully-redundant

Exclusive Network for Services

- Service with specific requirements running
- Building specific network for each service

Financial, HealthCare ...



Many fragment underlay networks
Many works to design and build
Management cost increases

Background:
Virtual Private Cloud is needed

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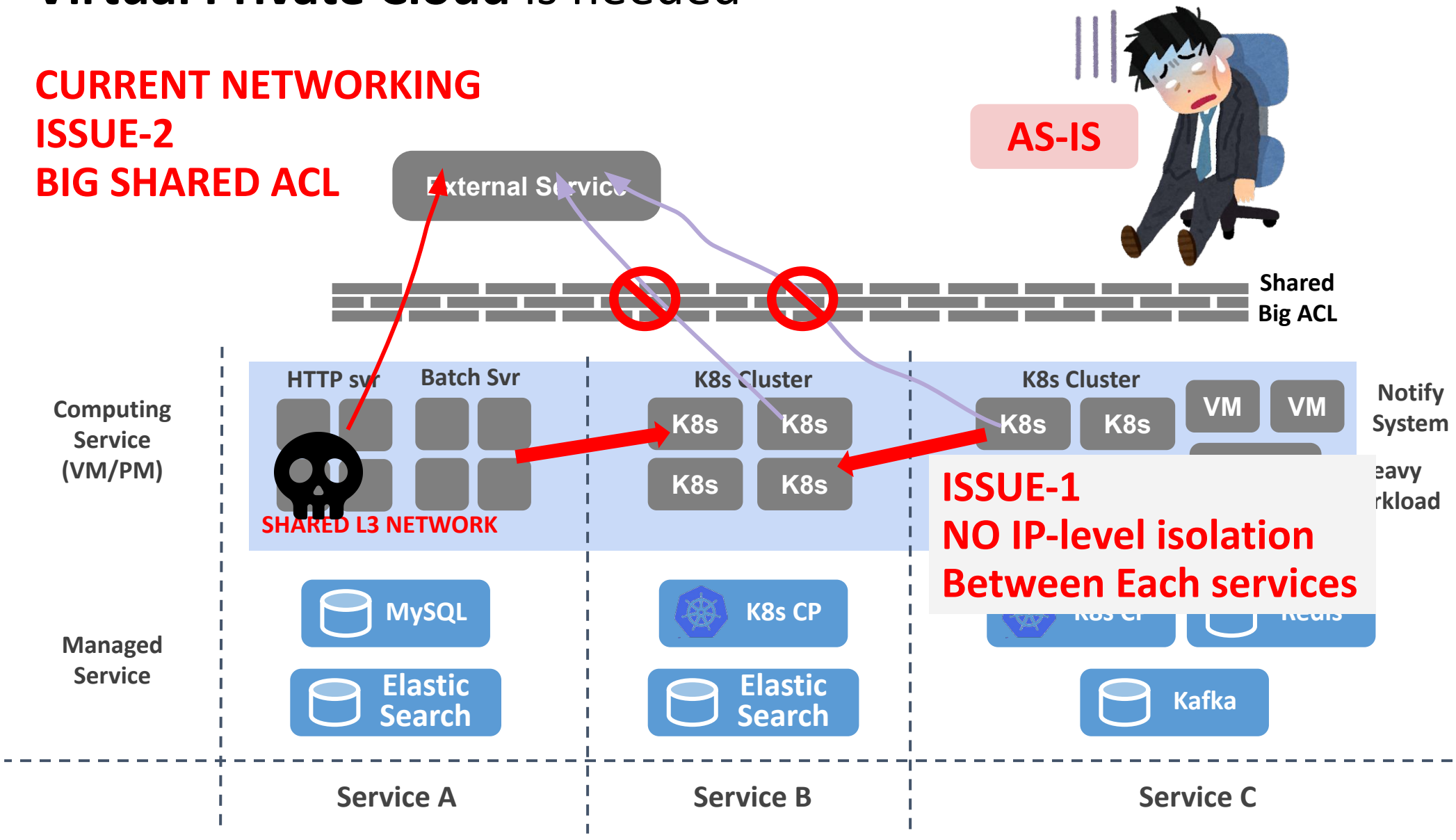
ISSUE-2
BIG SHARED ACL



Background:
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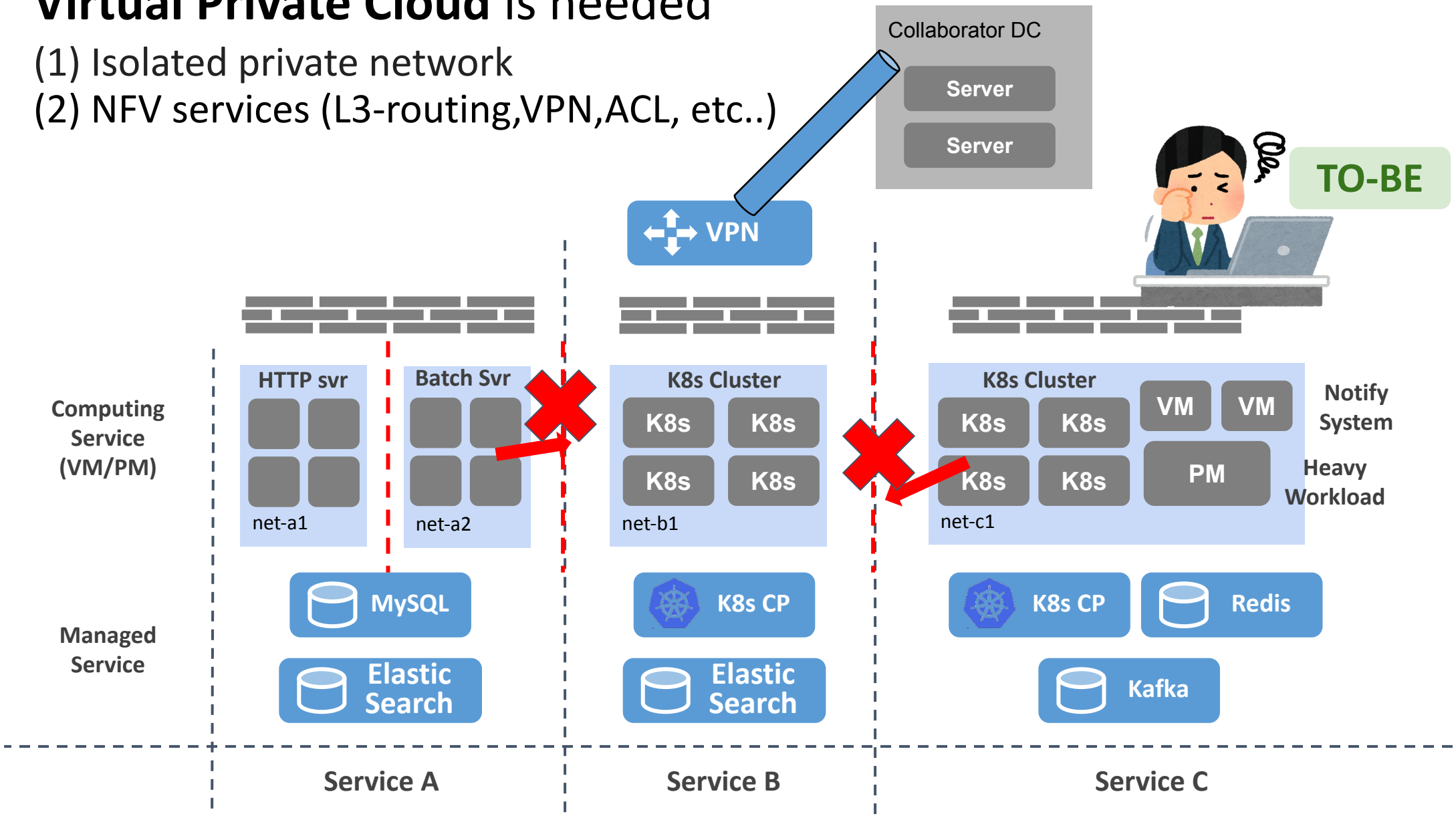
(1) Isolated private network
(2) NFV services (L3-routing,VPN,ACL, etc..)



KloudNFV - Original NFV Service Deployment Platform

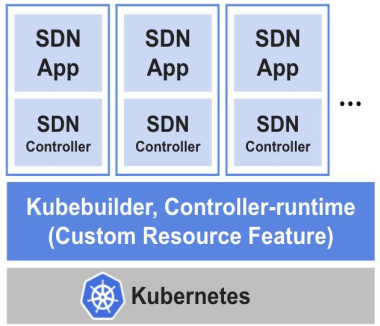
Introduction to Kubernetes based SDN control plane for NFV
What is KloudNFV

KloudNFV is SDN Controller
Developed with K8s Extension

- Generic NFV services control plane
- Already running in production
  - Routing as a Service
  - VPN as a Service

SDN Design Principle

- Loosely Coupled SDN Applications
- Declarative SDN Applications
- Use only K8s Extension



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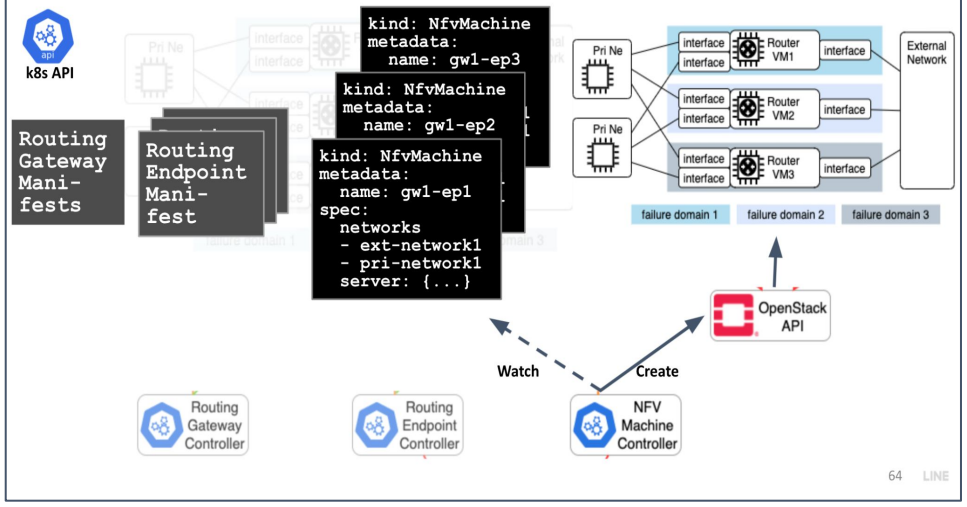

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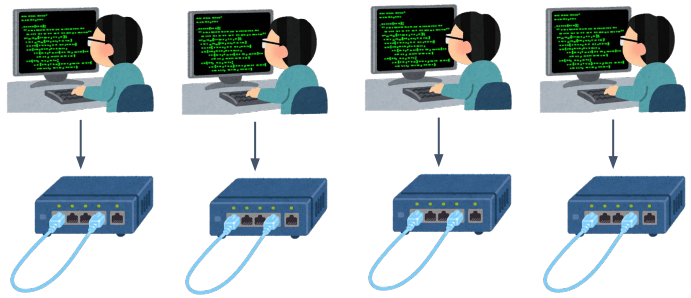
Looking Back (1)
SRv6 Network SDN

What is SDN, Why we need SDN

- What is Software Defined Networking
  - **Original Software Logic** belongs to **Company's Business Logics** for **Network Control**
  - Well Known as:
    - **No many Logging-In** to Network Equipment and updating configuration for Network Ops
    - Be able to configure **from Single Point to Many** Network Equipments

- Why we need Software Defined Networking
  - Basically we **love Commodity Logic** instead of Original one
  - Manything can't be achieved with ONLY Commodity (ex: Automating EVPN, Its Configuration)
  - It's Difficult to make the Logic to fit for many cases
    - Let's device actual logic, But let's unify the interface,database,etc....
    - That is the Sense and Approach of SDN



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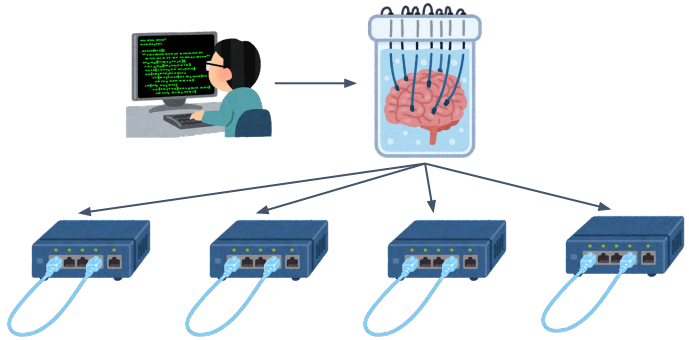

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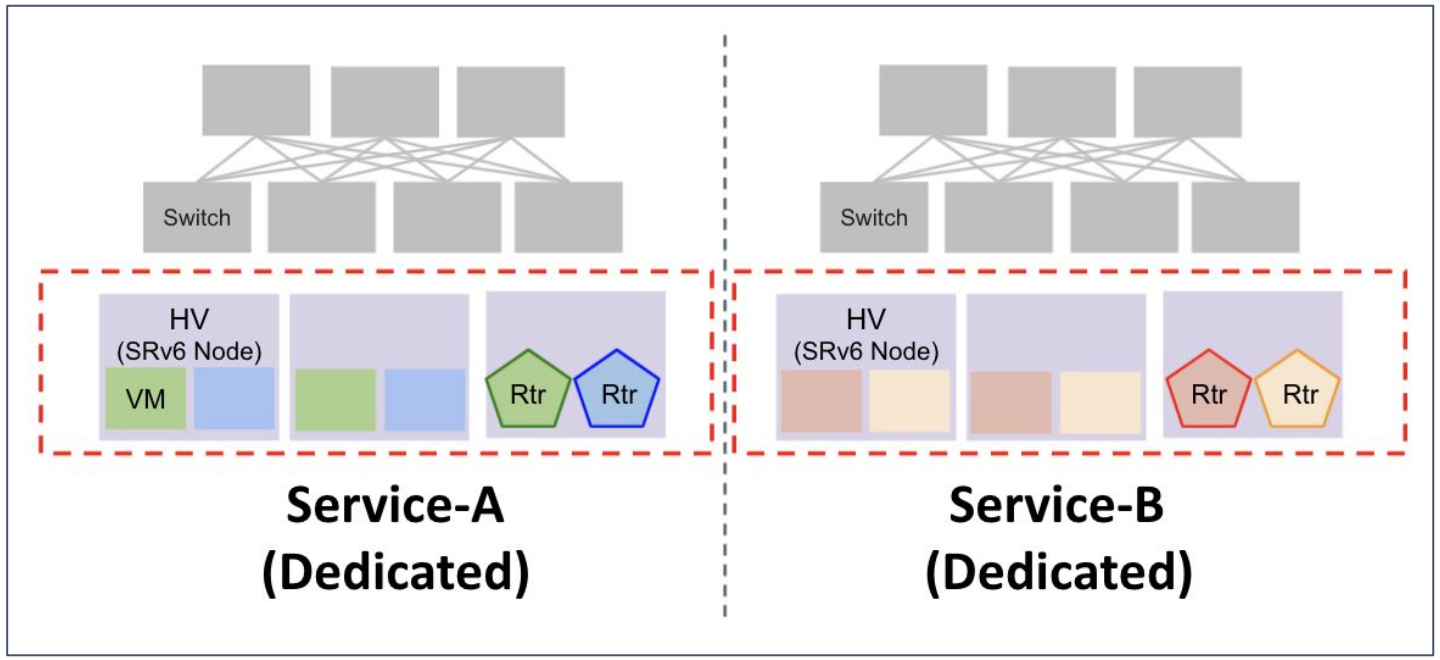
Gen-1,2,3 SRv6 Overlay Network Design

- Gen1: https://www.janog.gr.jp/meeting/janog44/program/srv6/
- Gen2,3: Overlay Network Terminator (Baremetal → vm)
  - Maintenance of virtual router cluster can be controlled by SDN
  - Lower physical equipment per each environment
- Issues
  - HealthCheck & Failover feature development cost and its flexiblity
  - -> Type-1 development cost...



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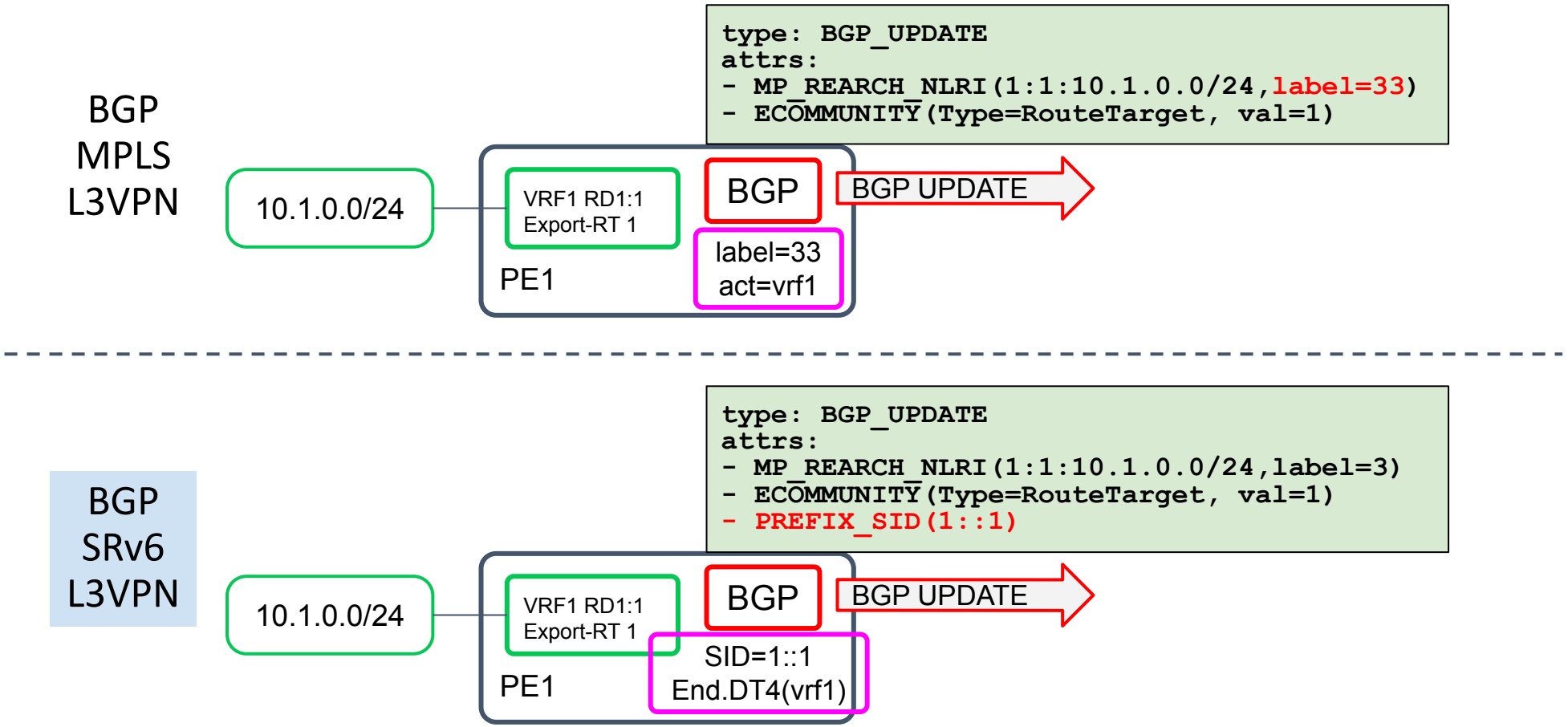
draft-ietf-bess-srv6-services: SRv6 BGP based Overlay Services

- Additional Sub-Type of Prefix SID Path Attribute
  - [new] Type-5: L3VPN Service SID
  - [new] Type-6: L2VPN Service SID
  - Extension of IPVPN(RFC4364), EVPN(RFC7432) to support VPN with SRv6 in addition MPLS



Type-1 :: IPv6 Routing Proto + SDN Controller

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> ip route add 10.2.0.0/24 \
    encap seg6 mode encap  \
    segs 2::1 dev eth0     \
    vrf vrf1

> ip route add 1::1 \
    encap seg6local \
    action End.DT4  \
    vrftable 1      \
    dev eth0
```

```
nodes:
- { name: R1, locator: 1::/64 }
- { name: R2, locator: 2::/64 }
networks:
- tenantID: 1
  prefix: 10.1.0.0/24
  sid: 1::1
- tenantID: 1
  prefix: 10.2.0.0/24
  sid: 2::1
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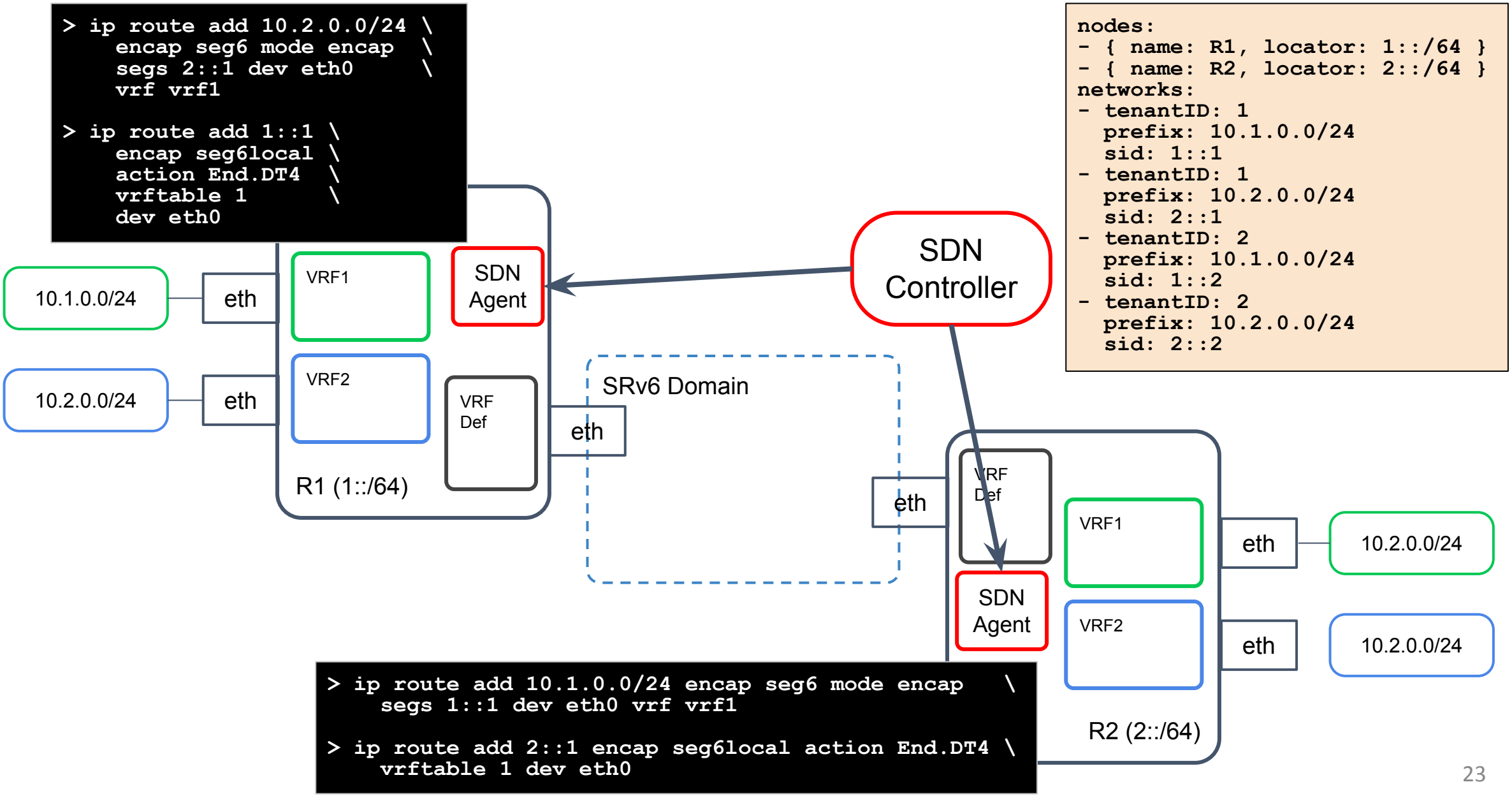


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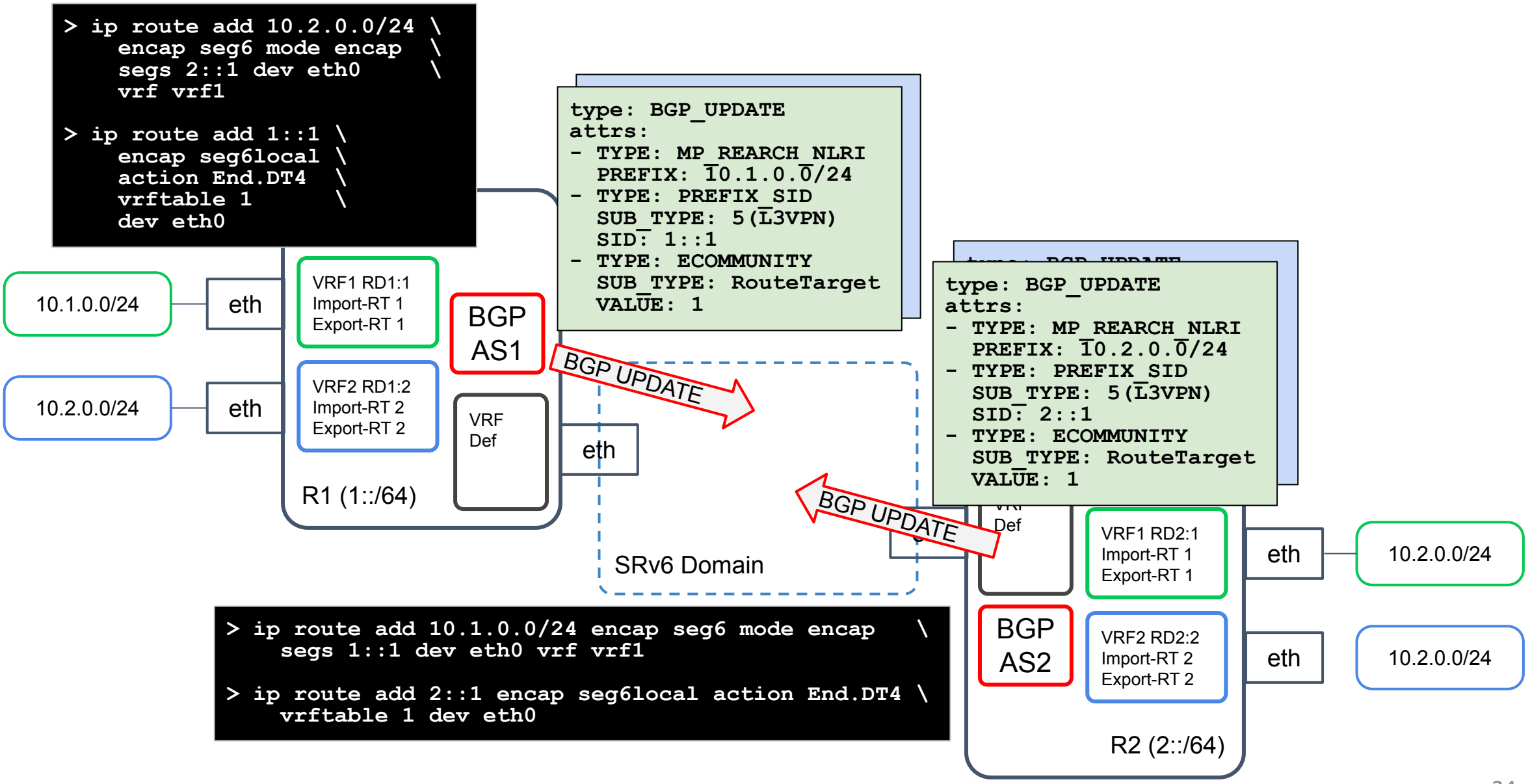
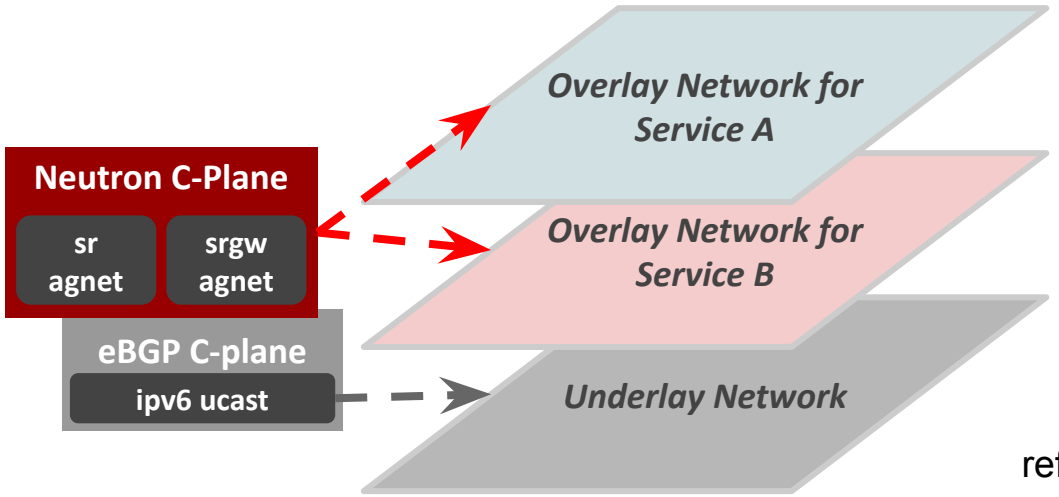
Type-2 :: All Routing Proto (BGP-SRv6-L3VPN)

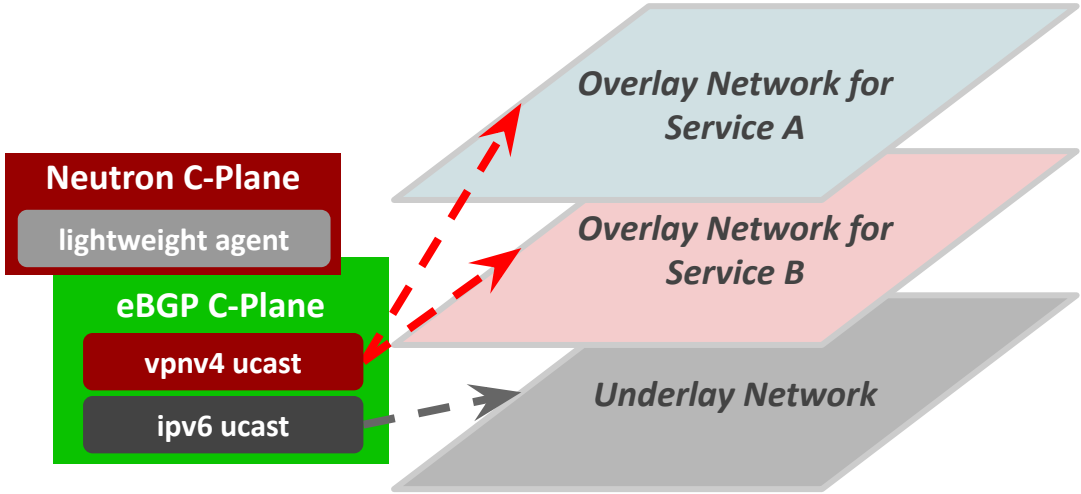


Gen-4 SRv6 Overlay Network Design
BGP VPNv4 SRv6 for SRv6 Multi-tenant Networking

SDN Controller can everything, but it should keep simple

Current SRv6 multi tenant network SDN mechanism is complicated with our special SDN controller. SDN has strong configurability, i.e. It can know everything in the network. But when it has something wrong, All world will be gone…





We want to replace C-plane for SRv6 m-t nw with BGP

VPNv4 is really stable architecture because this is standard specification. Our future SDN controller only configures Routing software. then FRRouting will work to construct SRv6 overlay

ref: https://speakerdeck.com/line_developers/srv6-bgp-control-plane-for-lines-dcn

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bgpd: additional Prefix-SID sub-types for supporting SRv6 l3vpn #5653

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donaldsharp merged 3 commits into `FRRouting:master` from `slankdev:slankdev-bgpd-support-prefix-sid-srv6-l3vpn` on 5 Feb 2020

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Add support for Prefix-SID (Type 5) #9546

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zebra: srv6 manager #5865

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add support for SRv6 IPv4 L3VPN #9649

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SDN Architecturing Knowledge(1)
Design Software Automation Aware Network

- Using Commodity Protocol to get simplicity for SDN Logic
  - No inline healthcheck mechanism by SDN Logic
  - No inline failover mechanism by SDN Logic
  - In our case, The commodity specification is already exist
    - VPNv4 with SRv6 backend
    - Of course upstreaming cost was really high

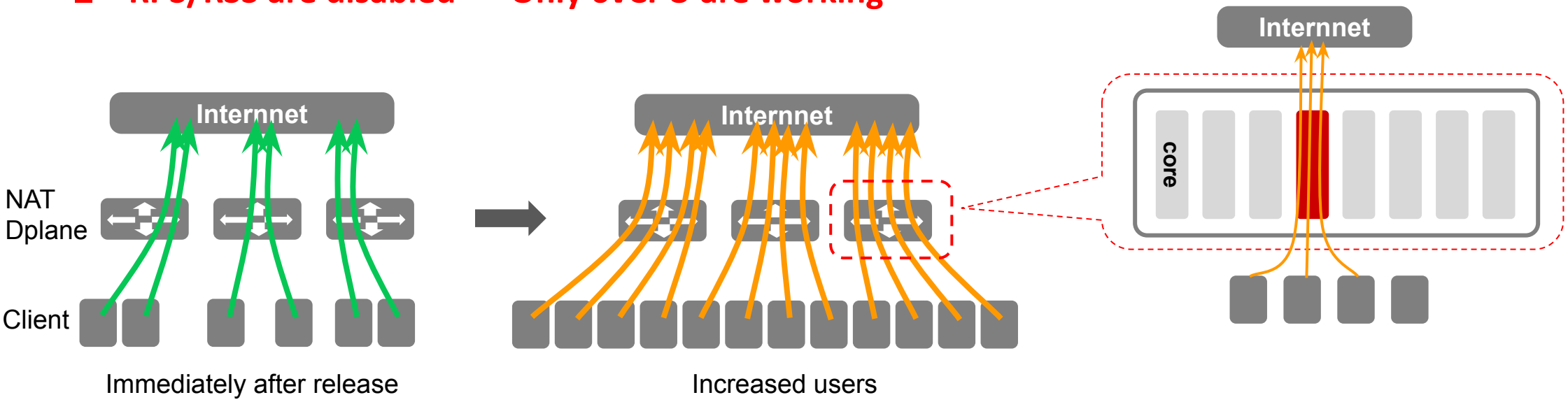
- Another good points:
  - Recruitment, On-boarding, Reusability

- But if there is no Commodity, we need to consider how to
  - Make commodity? or Wait for commodity? or Type-1?

Looking Back (2)
NAT as a Service

SDN System Architecture Design Knowledge(2)
NAT dplane performance issue and its kernel panic

- About Distributed NAT routing architecture: linedevday/2020/2076 , gihyo/line2021/0002
- Background
  - Increasing users after 1st release
  - There were 6 Linux servers as NAT dplane
    - They are working as act/act, No session state sync
    - 8vCPU/8GB-RAM x6 = 48vCPU
    - **RPS/RSS are disabled → Only 6vCPU are working**



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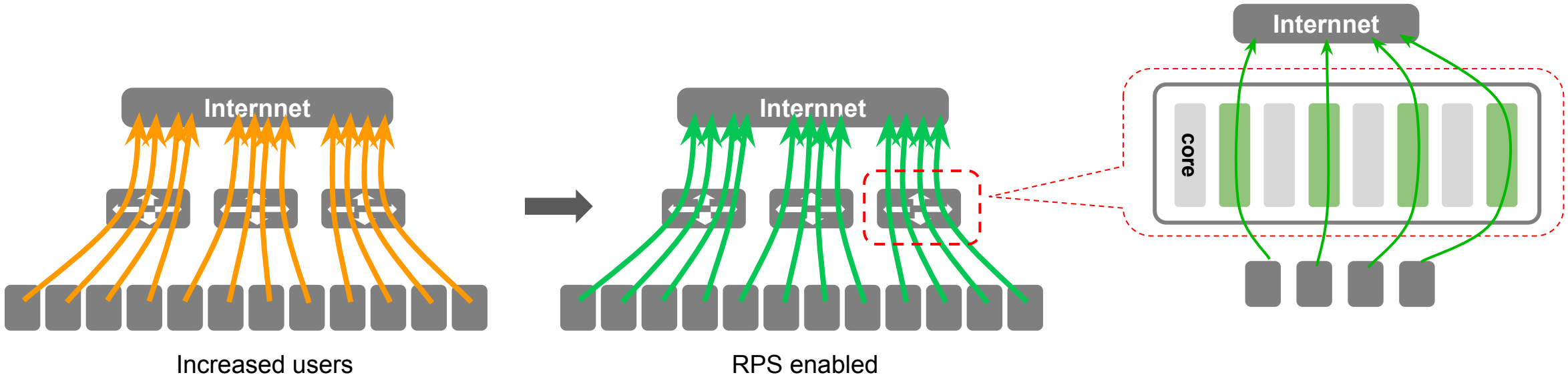

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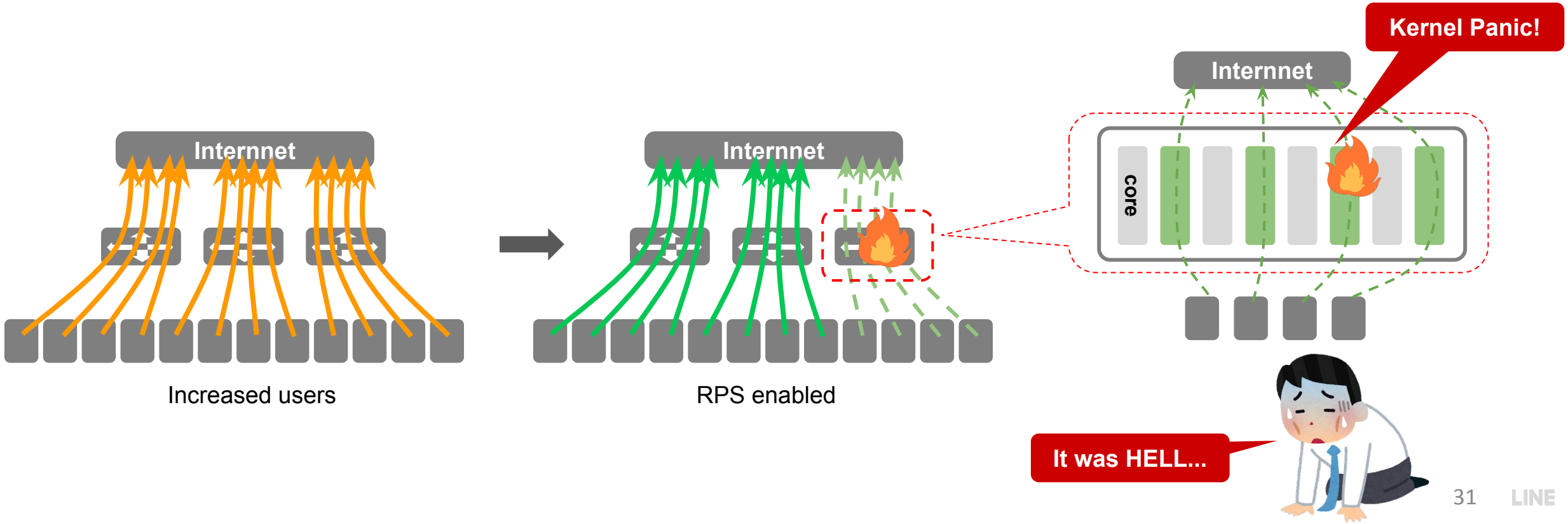

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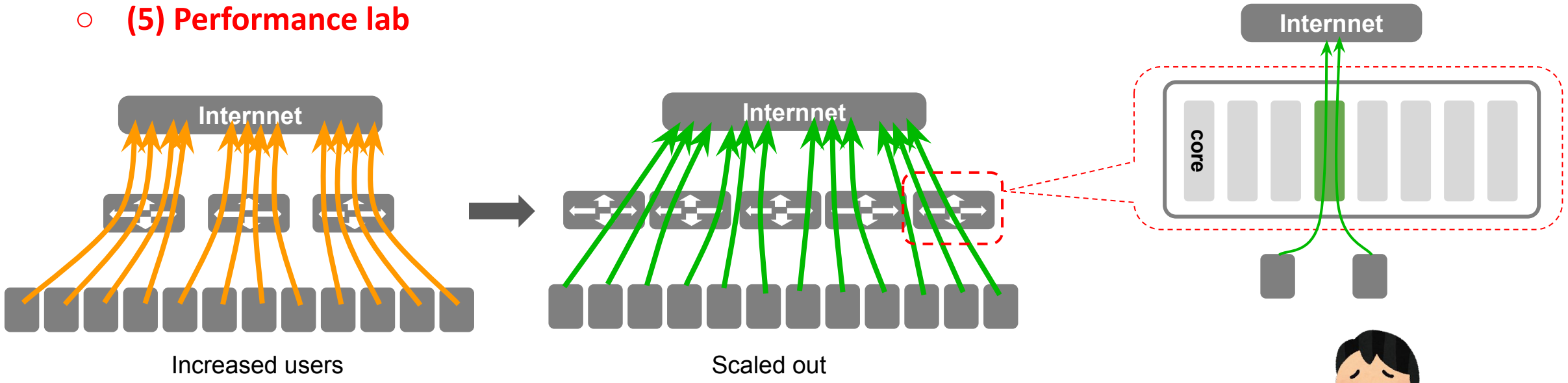
- Then, we disalbed RPS again
- And we scaled out dplane nodes **x3** (6 servers → 18 servers)
- **Lesson learned**
  - **(1) If your environment isn't Majority case, be careful for tuning (LWT-BPF, etc..)**
  - **(2) Scale out is right**
  - **(3) Almost user work-loads were HTTPs/HTTP, It was easy to maintain**
  - **(4) Operation Rehearsal**
  - **(5) Performance lab**



Looking Back (3)
In-House-Dev Team Building

It's ALWAYS been My Turn ?

- Do nothing, but necessary route are disappear from VRF…?
  - Hey Software Developer! What is that…!?
  - Many system (sys-a ⟶ sys-b ⟶ sys-c ⟶ sys-d)
    - sys-a is developed by us
    - sys-b is developed by us
    - sys-c is developed by us
    - sys-d … ah...
- Approach practice: Make it visible what is occured at there

```
$ kubectl get event
LAST SEEN  REASON                  OBJECT                                                  MESSAGE
5m33s      BGPPeerEstablish        routingendpoint/service1-vks-gateway-endpoint1-deea61c0c5   Succeed to establish a BGP p...
5m34s      ExternalApiCallOpenStack routingendpoint/service1-vks-gateway-endpoint1-deea61c0c5   Call PUT /v2.0/ports/ce224ed...
5m32s      BGPPeerEstablish        routingendpoint/service1-vks-gateway-endpoint2-5db7658f19   Succeed to establish a BGP p...
5m33s      ExternalApiCallOpenStack routingendpoint/service1-vks-gateway-endpoint2-5db7658f19   Call PUT /v2.0/ports/ebcd654...
5m32s      BGPPeerEstablish        routingendpoint/service1-vks-gateway-endpoint3-27ae0f1277   Succeed to establish a BGP p...
5m32s      ExternalApiCallOpenStack routingendpoint/service1-vks-gateway-endpoint3-27ae0f1277   Call PUT /v2.0/ports/cabb8c5...
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$ kubectl describe routingendpoint service1-vks-gateway-endpoint3-27ae0f1277 | grep -A 1000 "^Events:"
Events:
  Type    Reason                  Age    From                        Message
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  Normal  BGPPeerEstablish        6m39s  routingendpoint-controller  Succeed to establish a BGP peer hostname=XXXXX asn=65001
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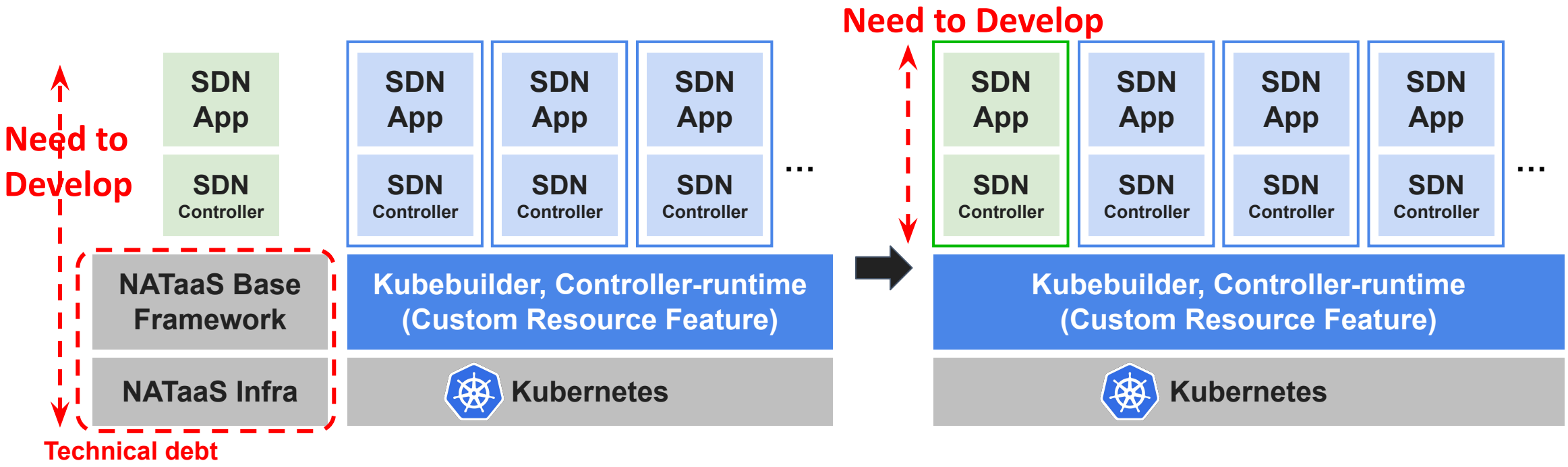
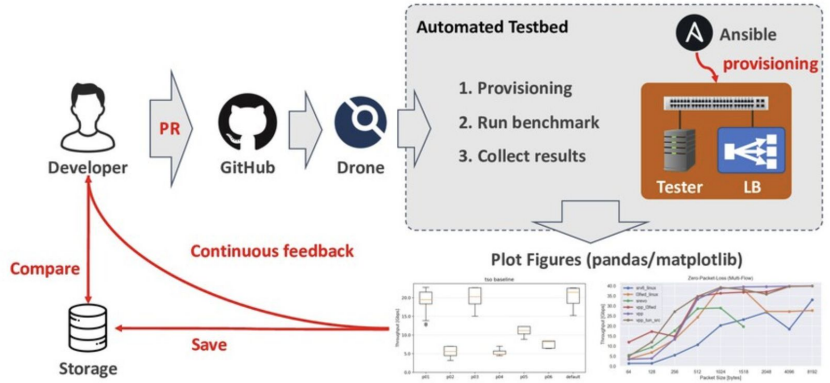
Develop Unify Platform for next development to Make development easier, faster and stabler

- Develop The System for the system
- ex: Restructure current Internet Gateway service with KloudNFV



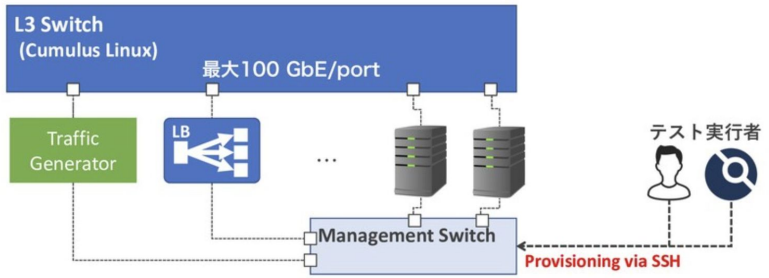
Performance Lab for In-House development

作成した自動ベンチマークシステム

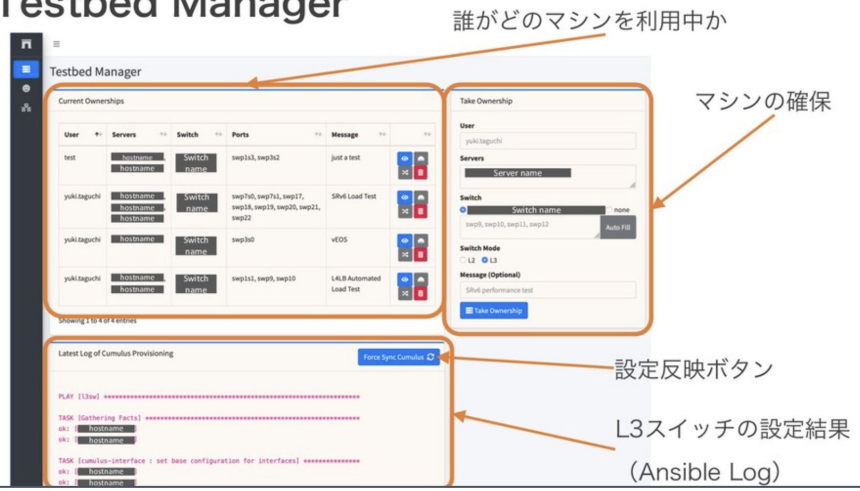


LINEインフラ検証に適したテストベッド設計

- L3スイッチを介したノード間接続
  - VRFやPBRなどでトラフィックを柔軟に制御できる
  - LBのようにカプセル化を伴うトラフィックも制御が容易

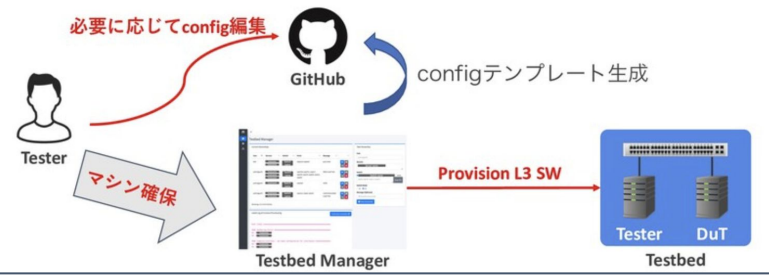


Testbed Manager

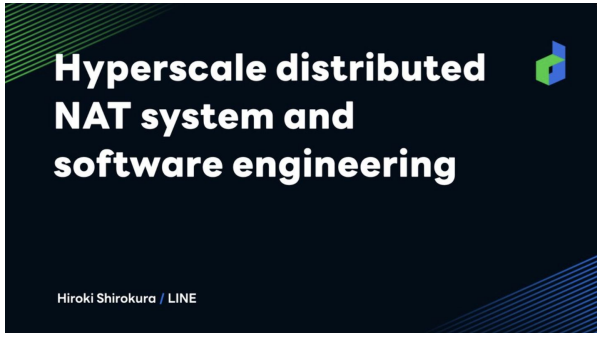


Testbed Managerのスイッチ設定自動化

- 該当マシンが接続されているポート番号を取得し、InterfaceとRoutingの設定テンプレートをGitHub上に自動生成する
  - /etc/frr/frr.conf.d/<UUID>
  - /etc/network/interfaces.d/<UUID>



Many Network/Software Challenges (again)



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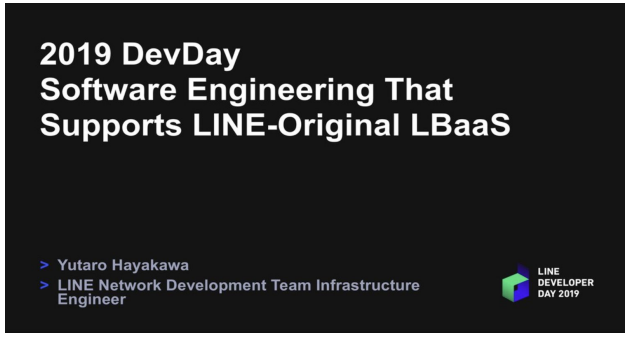

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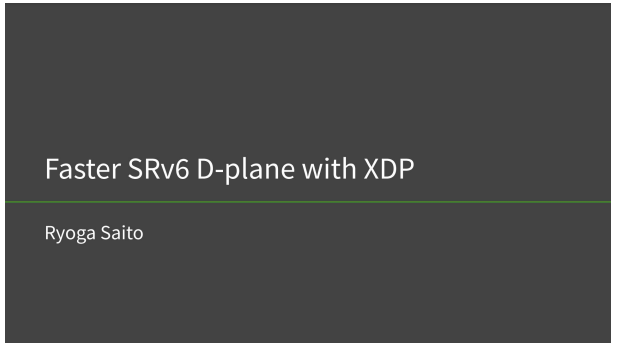

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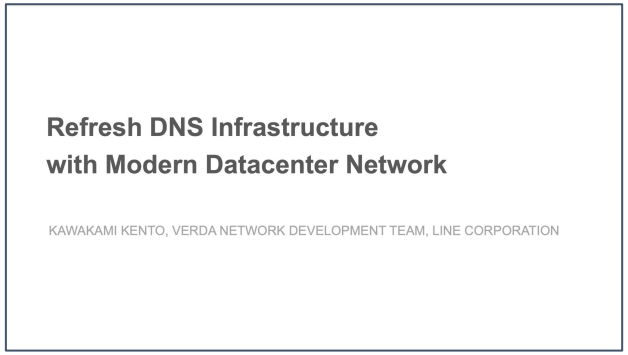

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Summary

- Many Infrastructure Challenges at LINE
  - Large scale private cloud
  - Fintech/HealthCare support
  - Many Original systems

- Automation/SDN aware system/network/team design
  - Use existing control plane if we can
  - Upstream control plane if we can
  - Scale out is right
  - System for the system

- Q: Software Engineer do it? Network Engineer do it?
- A: Both senses are needed
  - What is critical? What is pain point? by architectural level
  - Act-Stb, Act-Act, 2N, N+1, Blast-radius, Extensibility, Scalability