

XCLOUD
NETWORKS

About 1.5 years ago I came to question

**I am Network Engineer, Me and my Team
are building and maintaining
Telecom and Data Center networks for 15 years**

**What we do besides that ?
We are always busy - WHY ???**

- **Please open access between host A and host B on port C**
- **Increase traffic policer for this Customer**
- **Configure new Circuit between Amsterdam and Frankfurt**
- **Provide 5 ports for new server**
- **Assign 10 new ports to Vlan X**

- **AND OF COURSE**
- **My request is urgent**
- **This is blocking project implementation**
- **Customer is complaining because it takes more than 3 hours**
- **I am going to escalate if you don't provide this change in 5 mins**

**Most of the time we are not just
building / maintaining networks**

**We do everything what all kind of different
Network Consumers are requesting**

And it is not like they always request right things

THIS IS PROBLEM

I WANTED TO SOLVE

I wanted to create a system where

- Customers, Sales people, System engineers - all kind of Network Consumers will be able to define their requirements into intuitive web portal and get things done immediately (as they claim they need)**

**2-3 months of trying testing failing cycle eventually brought me
and couple of my friends to workable concept
we've got strong understanding of what are required components**



White Box Switch



Cumulus Linux



Piece of Coding

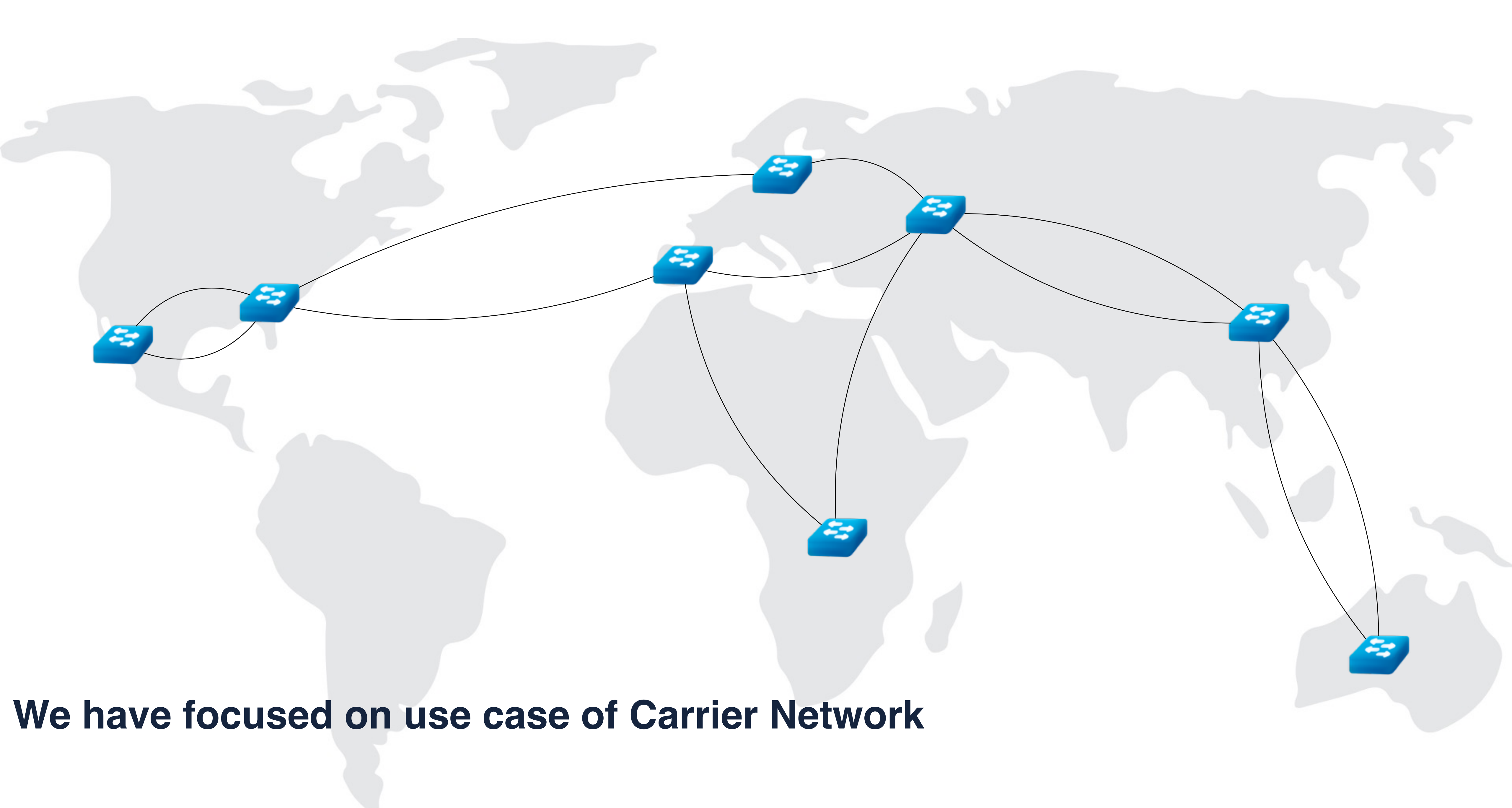
Initial idea was to

build fabric from Bare Metal switches running Cumulus Linux

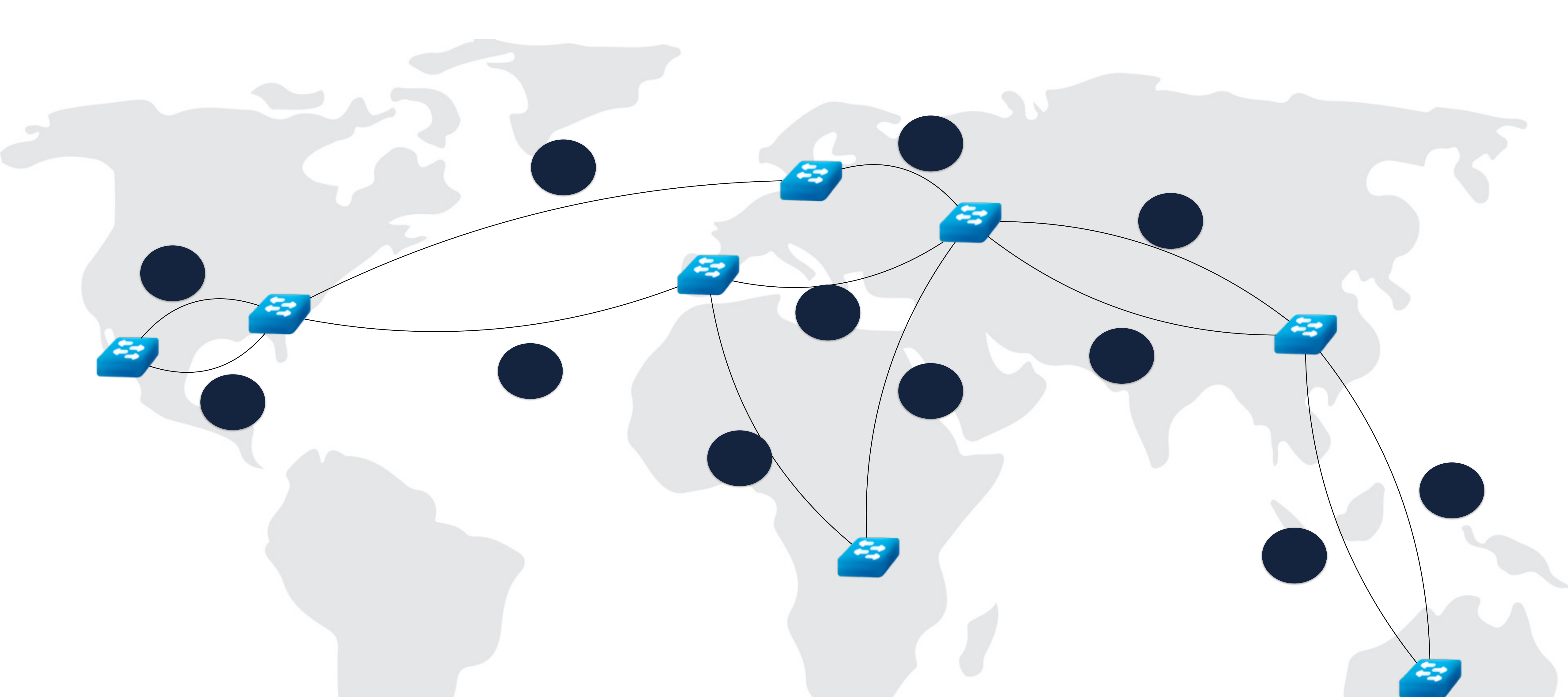
Run BGP between switches

Develop Intuitive web portal

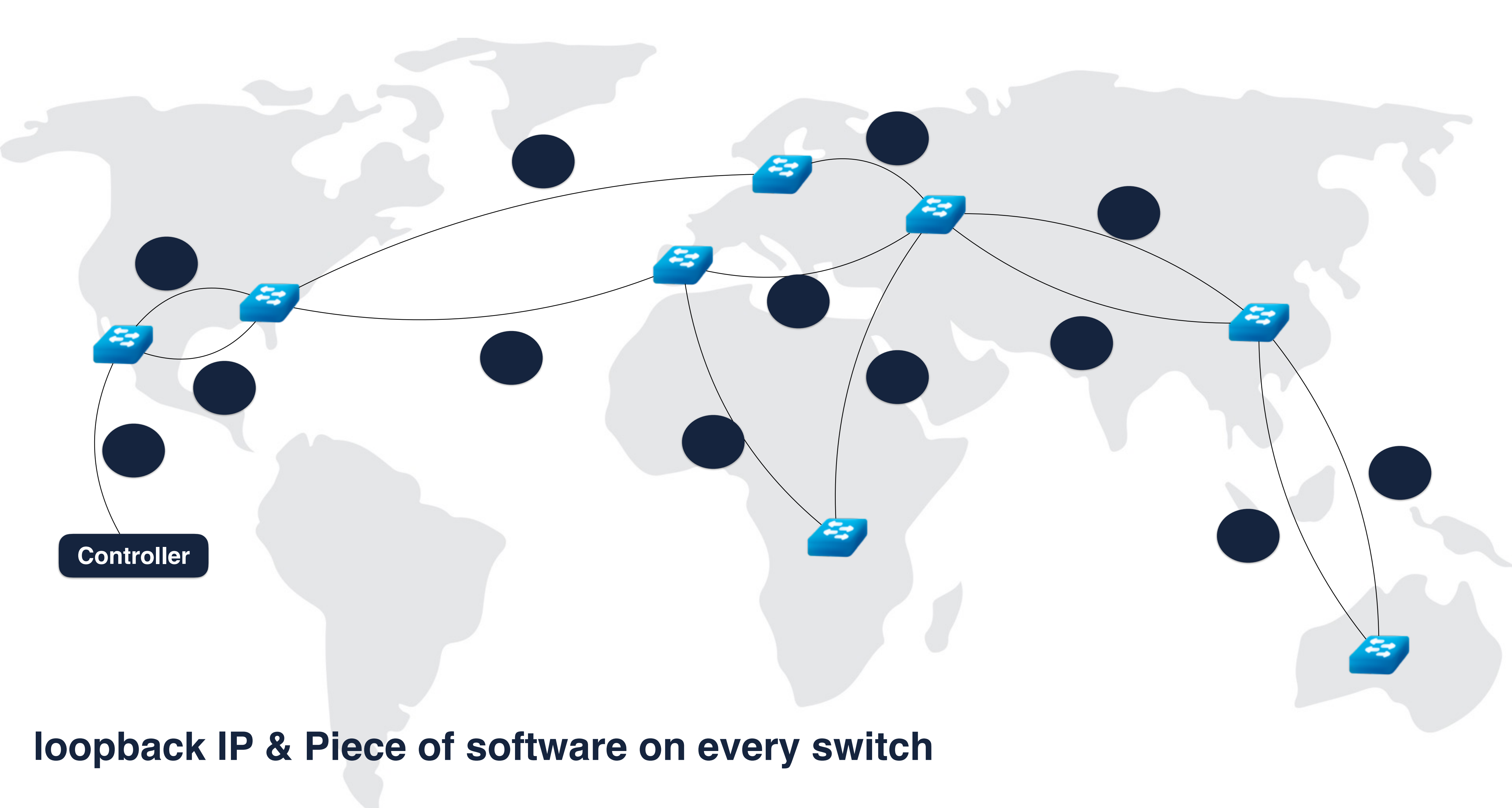
Piece of software on the switch



We have focused on use case of Carrier Network

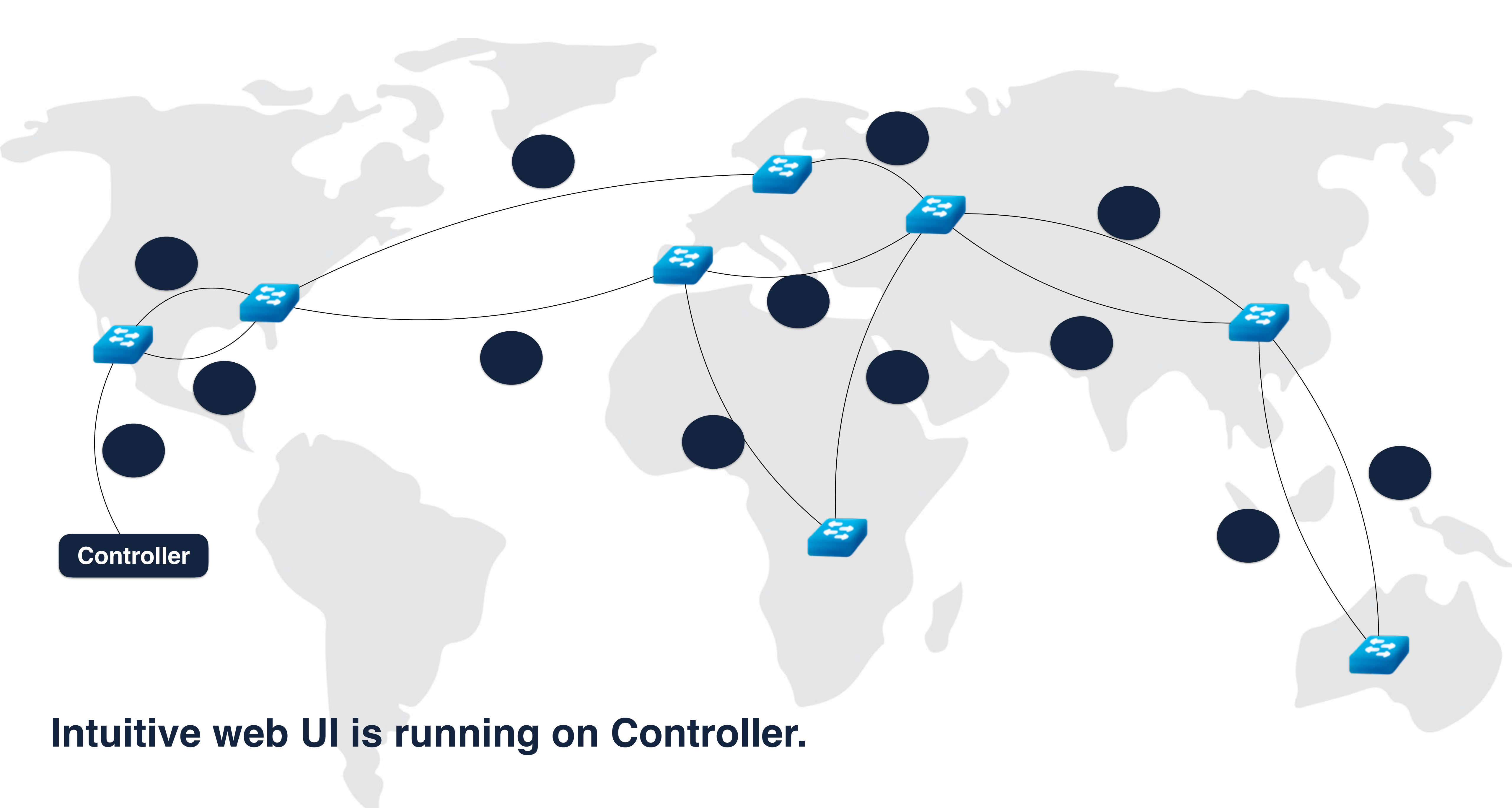


**BGP Unnumbered - is using extended next-hop encoding (ENHE) by RFC5549
Thanks to Cumulus Networks' efforts of their Quagga fork ENHE is available
on Cumulus Linux running switches and it is also available for Linux servers**



Controller

loopback IP & Piece of software on every switch



Controller

Intuitive web UI is running on Controller.



VXLAN on ASIC level - Overlay, 16M circuits
Service Node - signalling
Policers

Customer A



BGP FOR PRICE CALCULATION



iBGP
eBGP



sofia
connect

**REGARDS TO INNOVATIVE COMPANY
FOR USING OUR SOLUTION IN PRODUCTION**



**Automation
Freedom**

**INSPIRED
WE DECIDED TO GO FURTHER**

**NEW PROBLEM
NEW CHALLENGE**



What about Data Center deployments ?



**During decades network to network relations
in data center networks were evolving**

**But Server to Network is still using legacy technologies
still leading to STP, Broadcast, Mlag and other problems**

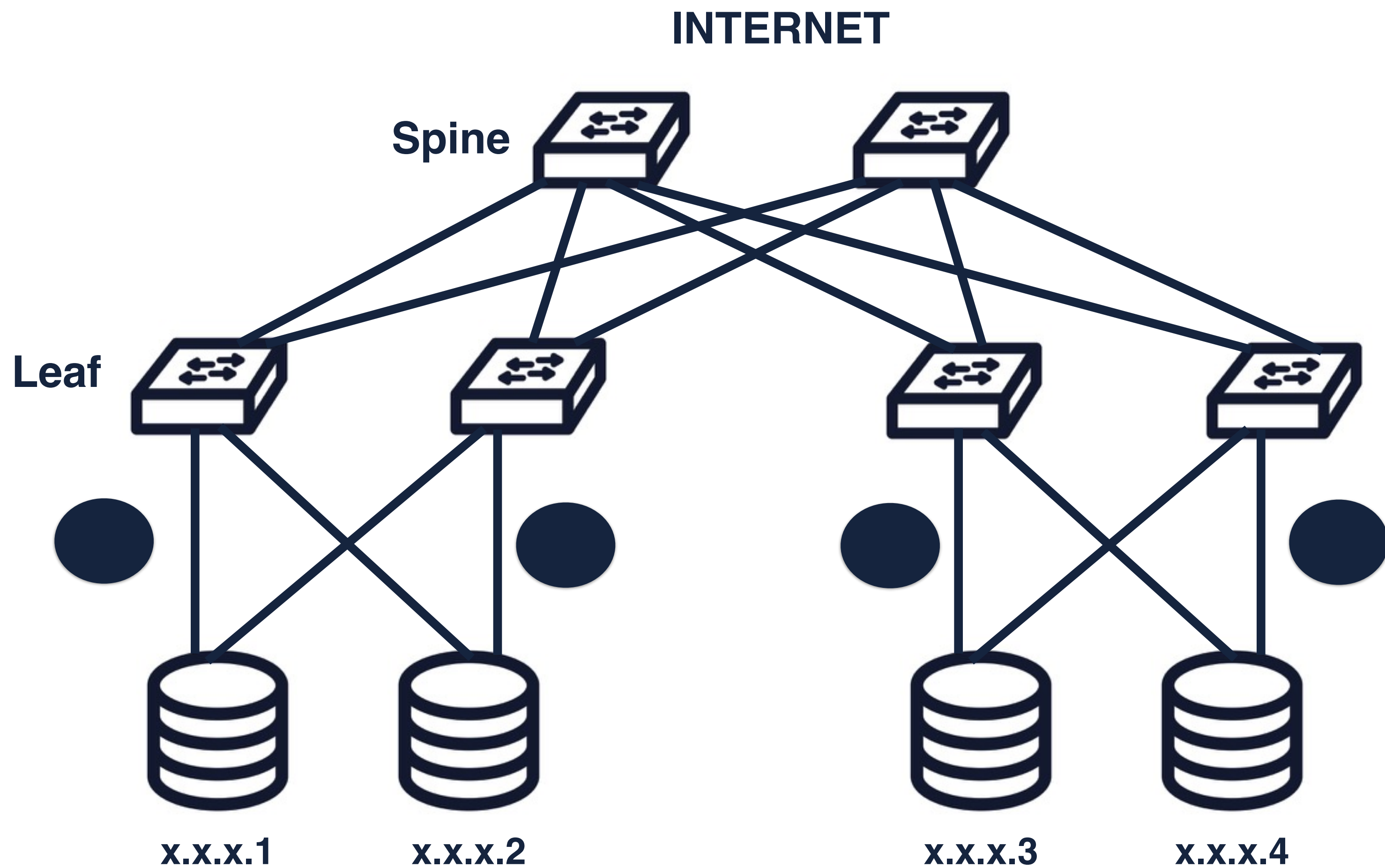


Remove shared segment between Server and TOR switch

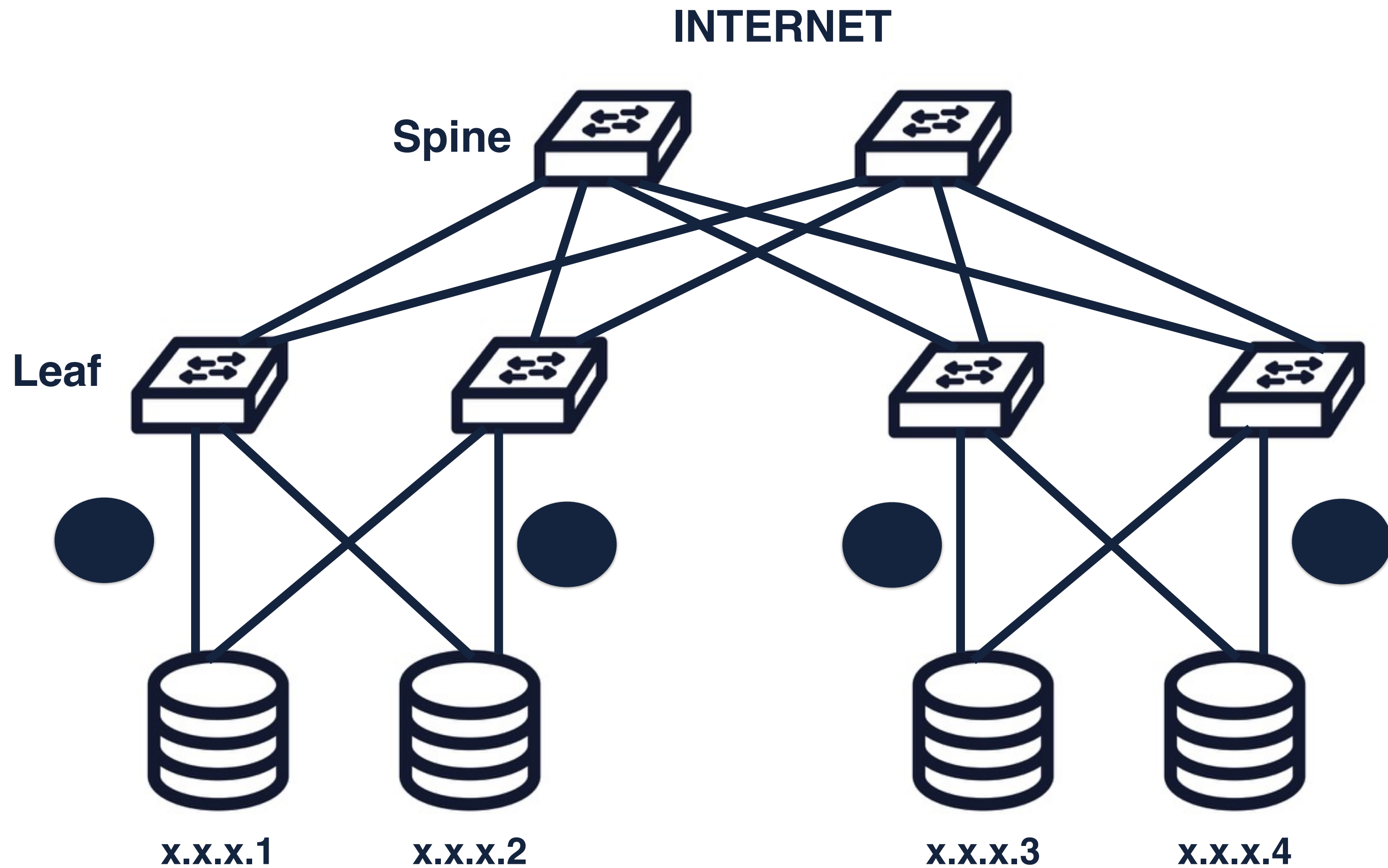
**No broadcast, No LAG, No Wasting of IP on subnetting,
No Vlan borders, No Stacked TOR switches**



SERVERS TO BECOME PART OF FABRIC



- **BGP unnumbered on Server side**
- **No IP configuration on link Interfaces,**
- **Loopback /32, /128**
- **No TOR switch stacking**
- **BGP attributes for traffic engineering**
- **preconfigured Quagga package**



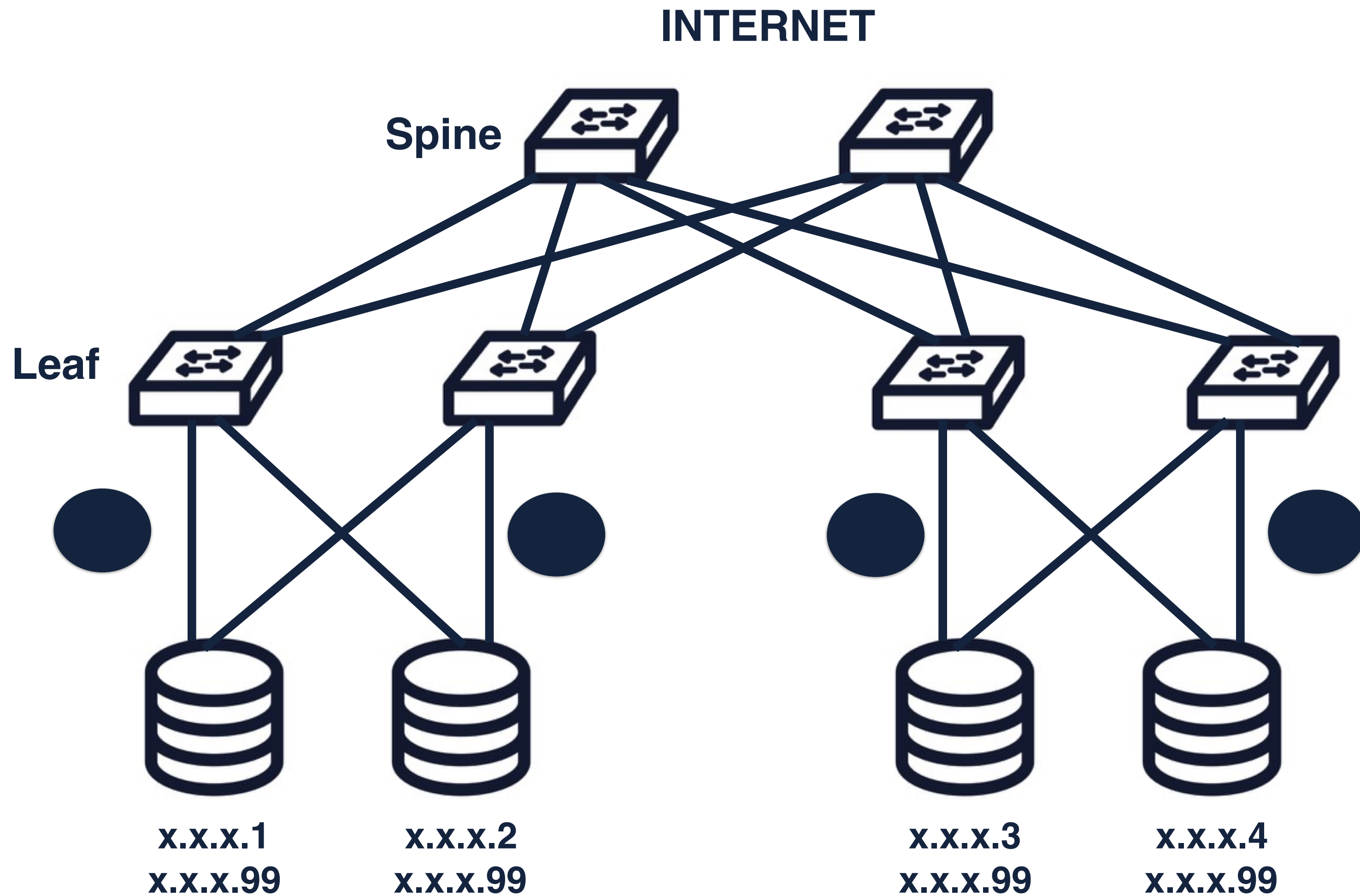
- **ACLs**

- **TCAM size**

**Broadcom Trident2+ allows
4K Ingress ACLs**

- **Server mobility**

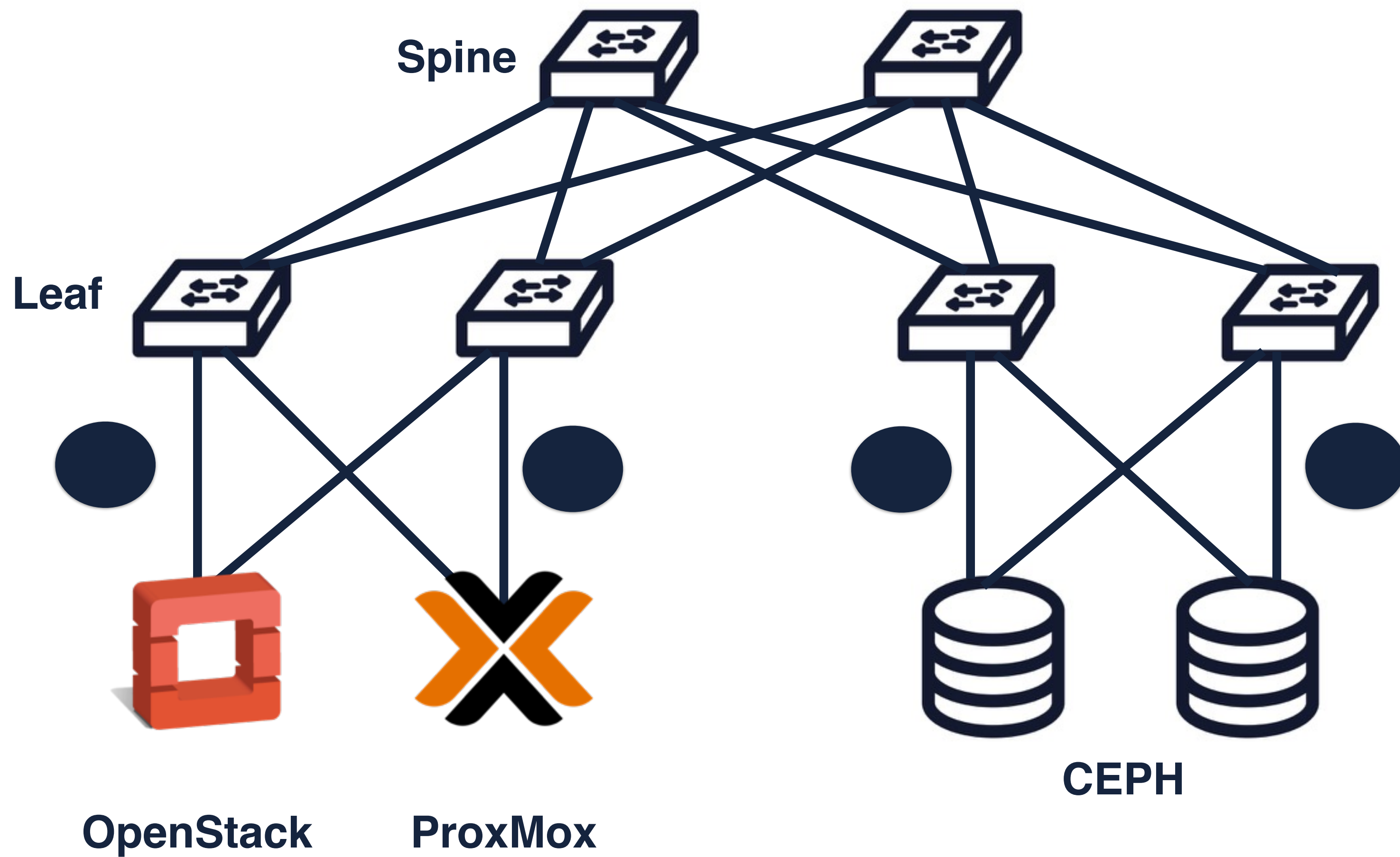
- **Approval procedure**



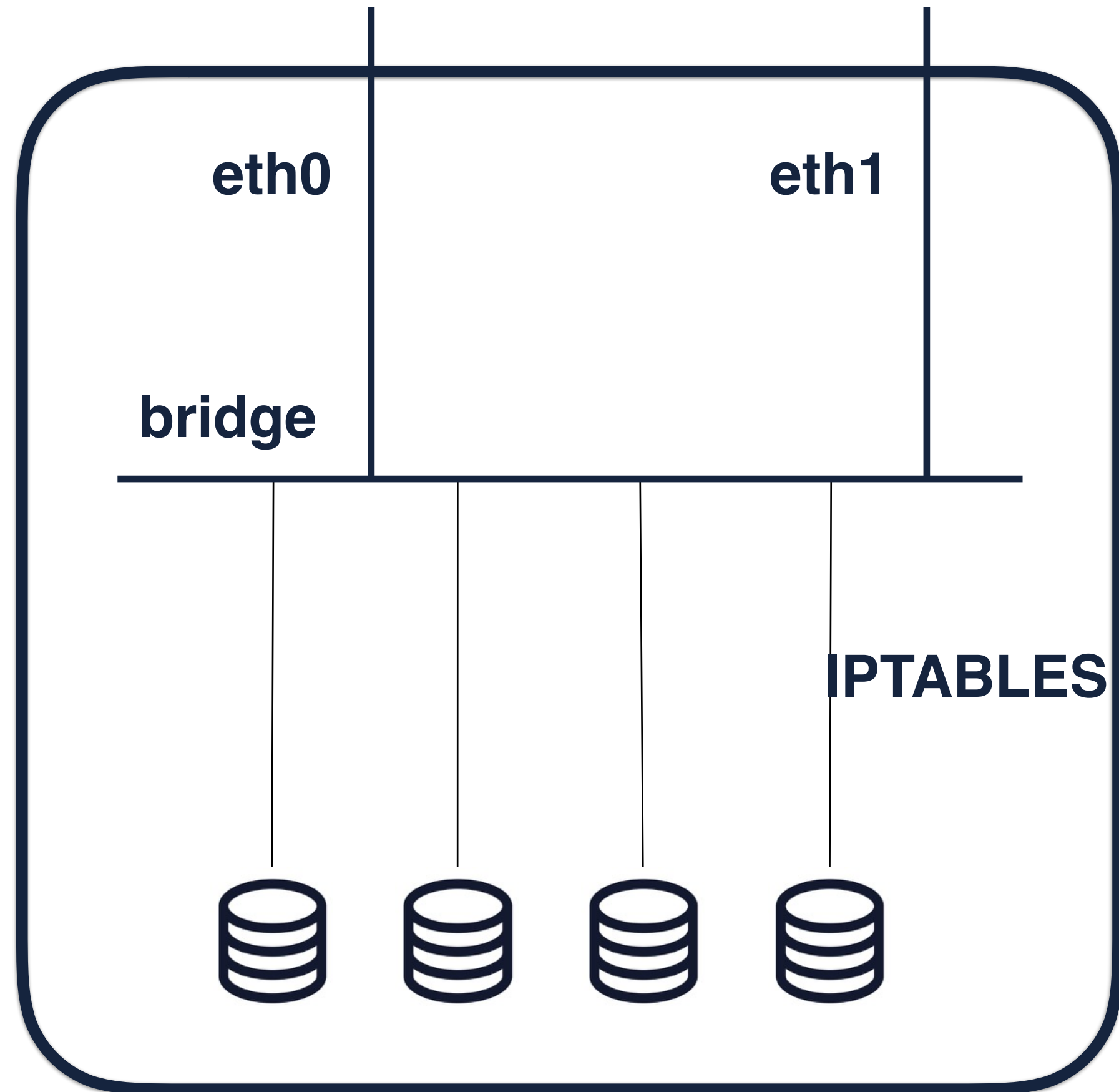
- **ANYCAST for load balancing**
- **256 ECMP Hashing**
- **Traffic reroute if server is down**
- **LB Checks**



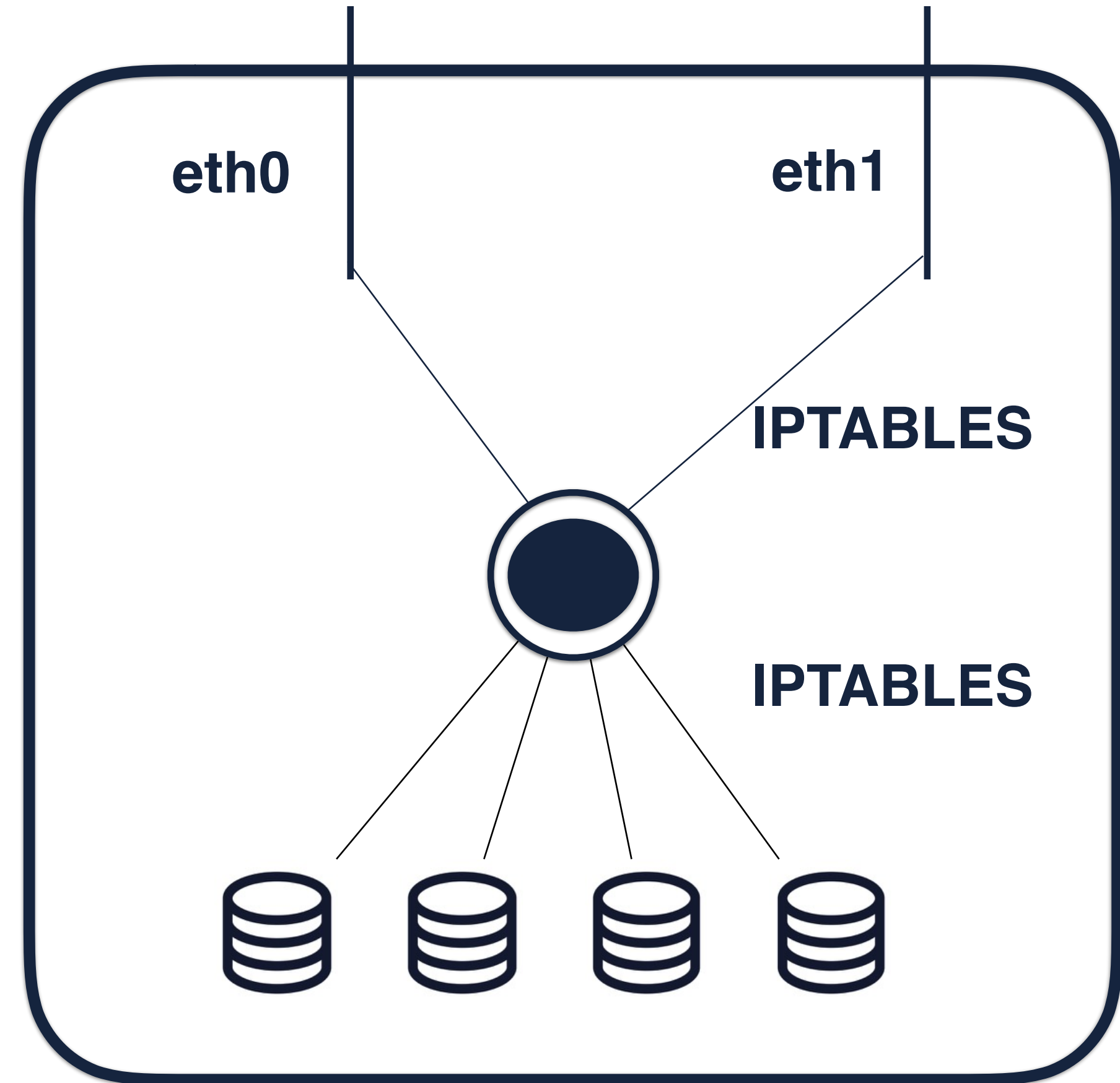
Virtual Machines



- Openstack Controller connects with ROH
- CEPH nodes connects with ROH
- Compute node is running quagga forming eBGP with the fabric



Classic Hypervisor



ROH Hypervisor



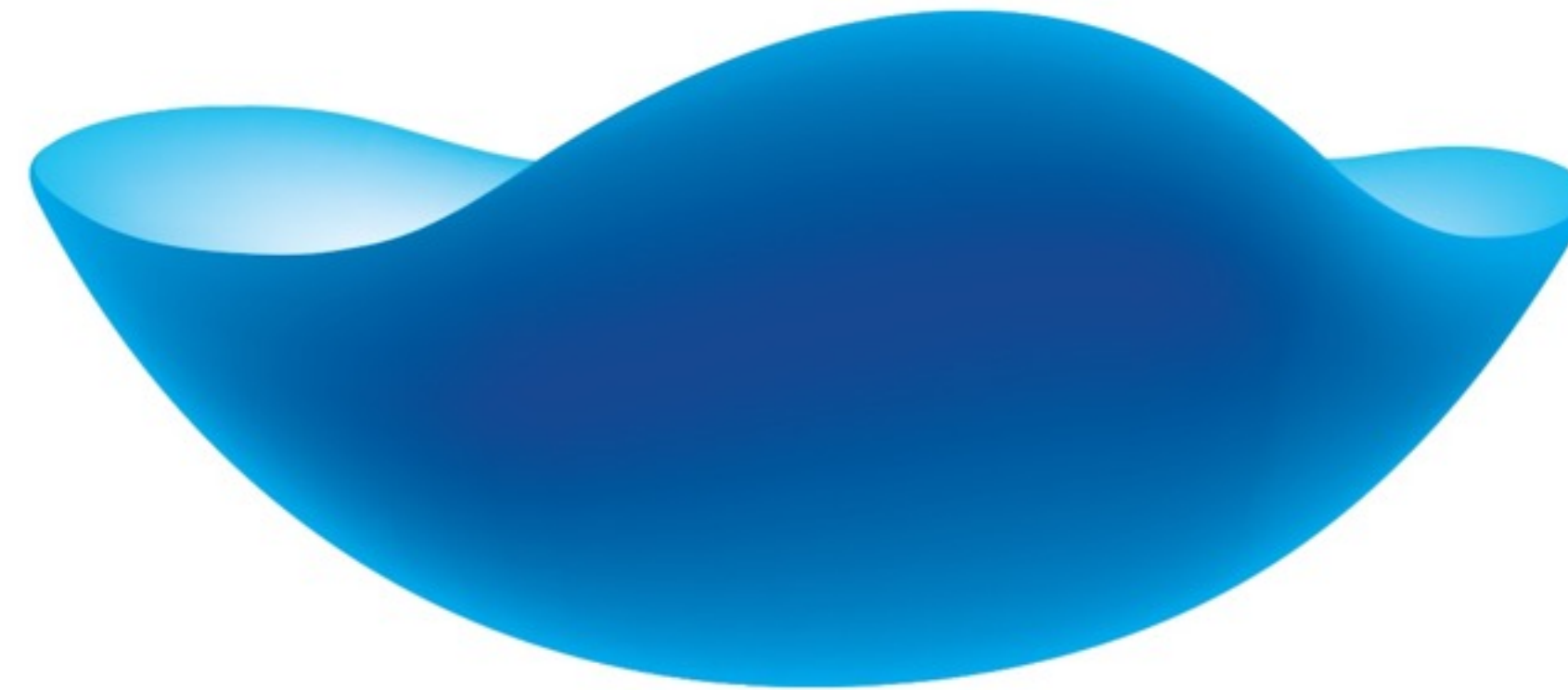
What About Microsoft Operating System ?



Microsoft - running BGP on the host

Kidding ?

Windows Server 2012R2 Supports BGP



Of course not without problems

No support for BGP unnumbered

**Refuse to work when advertising ipv4 over ipv6
BGP adjacency (though MS claims it should)**

**But we found a trick:
Using ipv4 link local addresses
as /30 interface links
then advertising loopback IP**

INNOVA

**With ROH no more waste of IP addresses on subnetting
Innova was able to remove all previously used NAT
and build whole network purely based on public IPs
bringing back original concept of the Internet**

INNOVA

**Thanks to our Customer Innova
They swapped existing Infrastructure from Cisco/Juniper/F5
To our solution - serving 24mln of userbase**



Summary

- ✓ **Automation**
- ✓ **ACLs**
- ✓ **Load Balancing**
- ✓ **HW disaggregation**
- ✓ **Better agility**



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THANK YOU



QUESTIONS