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Nexus 9000 Architecture

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Session Abstract

This session presents an in-depth study of the architecture of the latest generation of Nexus 9000 modular and top-of-rack data center switches. Topics include forwarding hardware, switching fabrics, and other physical design elements, as well as a discussion of key hardware-enabled features and capabilities that combine to provide high-performance data center network services.

What This Session Covers

- Latest generation of Nexus 9000 switches with Cloud Scale ASICs
- Nexus 9500 modular switches with Cloud Scale linecards
- Nexus 9300 Cloud Scale top-of-rack (TOR) switches
- System and hardware architecture, key forwarding functions, packet walks

Not covered:

- First generation Nexus 9000 ASIC/platform architectures
- Nexus 9500 merchant-silicon based architectures
- Other Nexus platforms
- Catalyst 9000 platform



Agenda

- Data Center and Silicon Strategy
- Cloud Scale ASIC Architecture
- Cloud Scale Switching Platforms
- Packet Walks
- Key Takeaways

Cisco Data Center Strategy



Application Centric



Capture Intent



Multicloud Ready



Platform Innovation

Nexus 9000 Cloud Scale Switching Portfolio

Key Elements of the Data Center Strategy

Nexus 9300-EX and 9300-FX/FX2

Premier TOR platforms

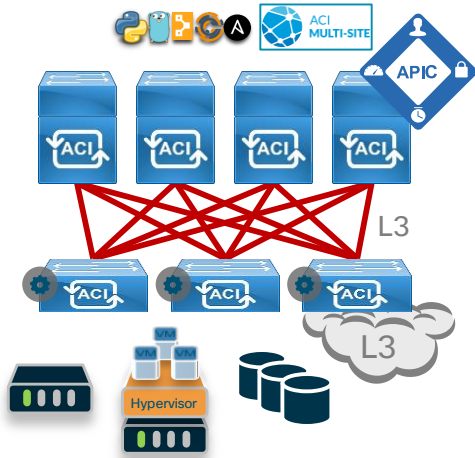


Nexus 9500 with X9700-EX and X9700-FX Modules

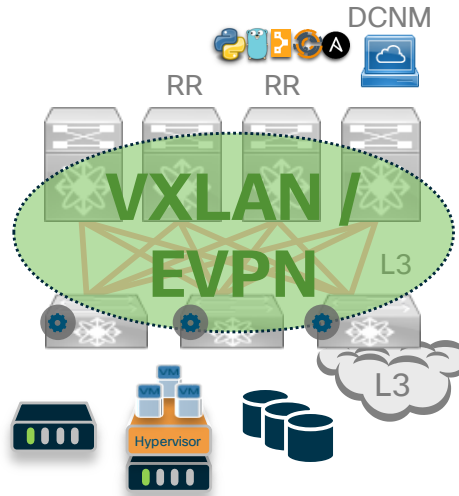
Flagship switching modules for Nexus 9500 modular chassis



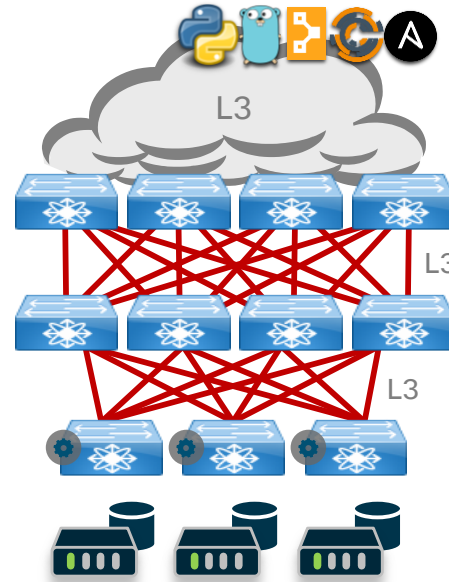
Building Data Center Fabrics with Nexus 9000



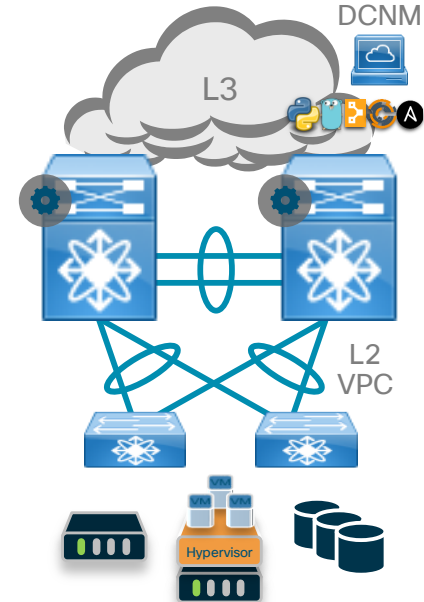
ACI - Turnkey Fabric



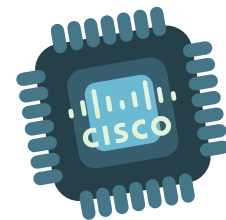
Standalone - Programmable Fabric with VXLAN+EVPN



Standalone - Programmable IP Network



Standalone - Traditional Data Center Network



Why Custom Silicon?

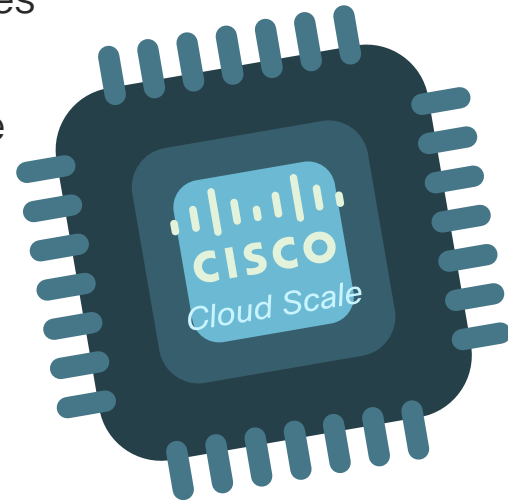
- Cisco competitive advantage – vehicle for differentiating innovations
 - ACI policy model + congestion-aware flowlet switching
 - Flexible forwarding tiles
 - Single-pass tunnel encapsulations
 - In-built encryption technologies
 - Intelligent buffers
 - Streaming hardware telemetry
- Tight integration between hardware / software / marketing / sales / support
- Closely aligns hardware designs with software innovations, strategic product direction, competitive differentiators, serviceability

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Cisco Cloud Scale ASIC Family

- **Ultra-high port densities** → Reduces equipment footprint, enables device consolidation, denser fabric designs
- **Multi-speed 100M/1/10/25/40/50/100G** → Flexibility and future proofing
- **Rich forwarding feature-set** → ACI, Segment Routing, single-pass L2/L3 VXLAN routing
- **Flexible forwarding scale** → Single platform, multiple scaling alternatives
- **Intelligent buffering** → Shared egress buffer with dynamic, advanced traffic optimization
- **In-built analytics and telemetry** → Real-time network visibility for capacity planning, security, and debugging



Cloud Scale Family Members

LSE

- 1.8T chip – 2 slices of 9 x 100G each
- X9700-EX modular linecards; 9300-EX TORs

LS1800FX

- 1.8T chip – 1 slice of 18 x 100G with MACSEC
- X9700-FX modular linecards; 9300-FX TORs

S6400

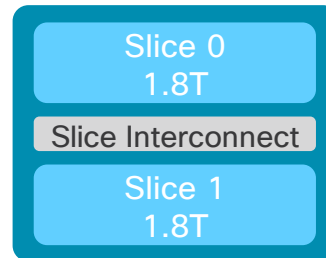
- 6.4T chip – 4 slices of 16 x 100G each
- 9364C/9332C TORs; E2 fabric modules

LS3600FX2

- 3.6T chip – 2 slices of 18 x 100G with MACSEC + CloudSec
- 9300-FX2 TORs



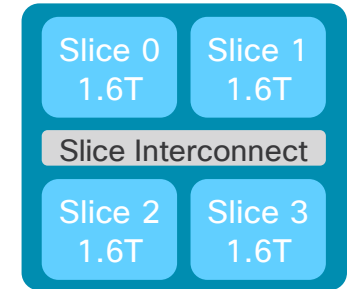
LS1800FX – 18 x 100G



LS3600FX2 – 36 x 100G



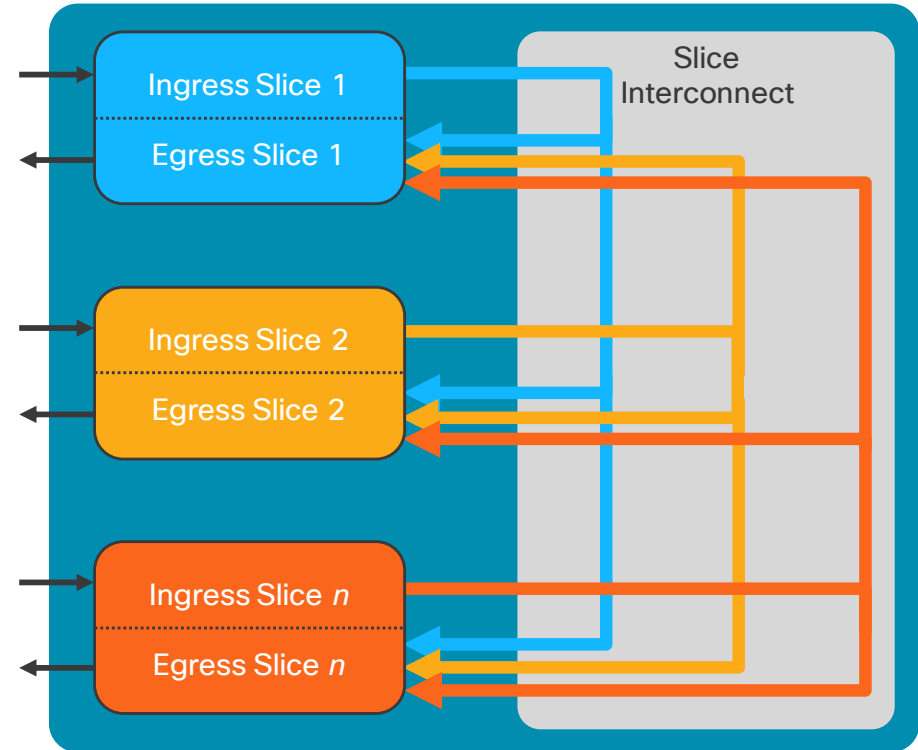
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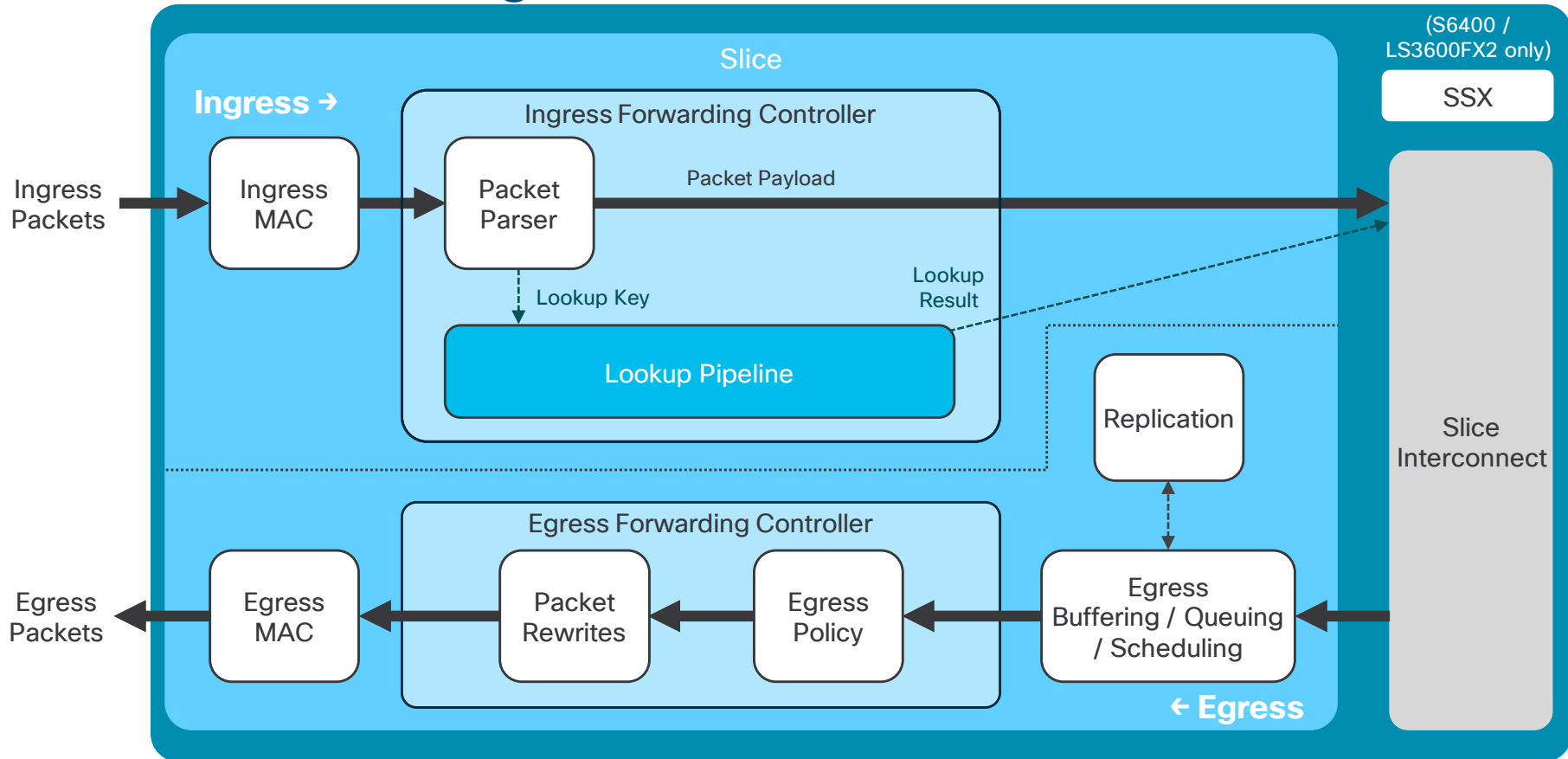
S6400 – 64 x 100G

What Is a “Slice”?

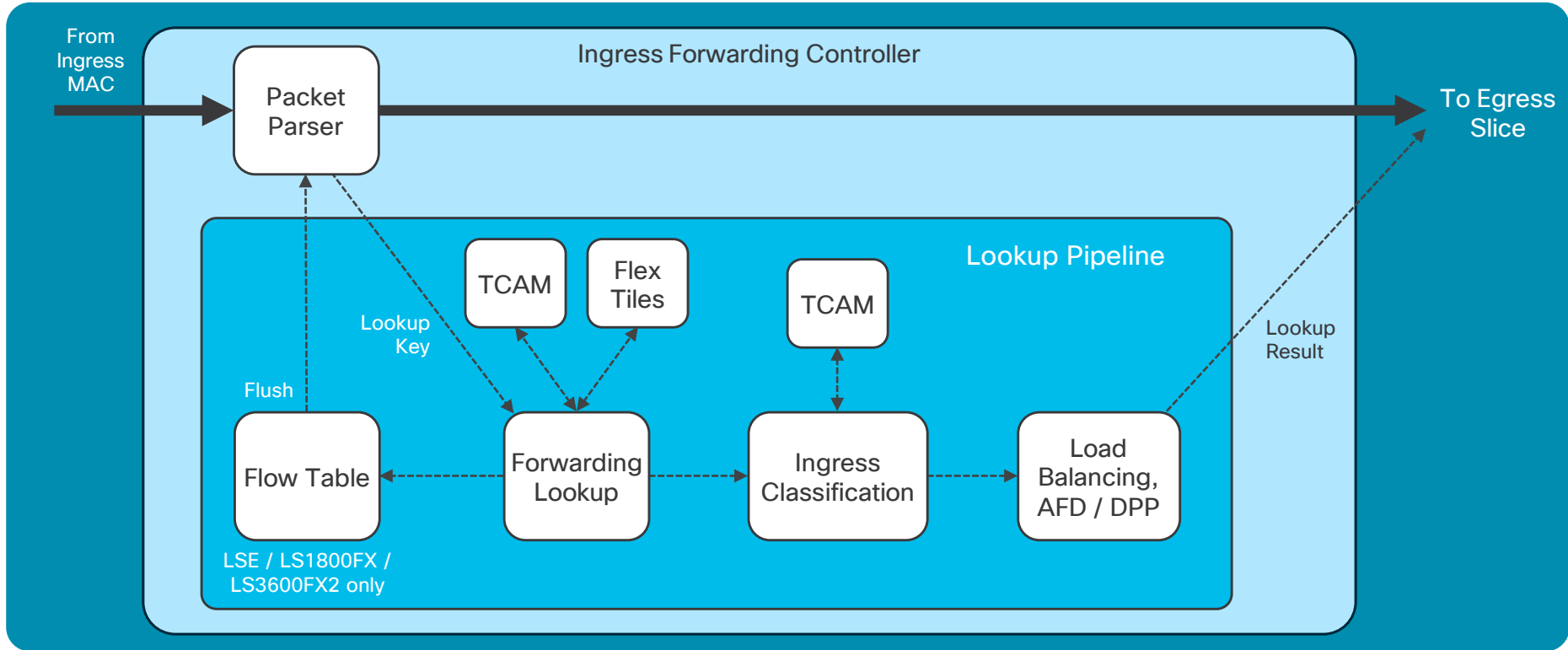
- Self-contained forwarding complex controlling subset of ports on single ASIC
- Separated into Ingress and Egress functions
- Ingress of each slice connected to egress of all slices
- Slice interconnect provides non-blocking any-to-any interconnection between slices



Slice Forwarding Path

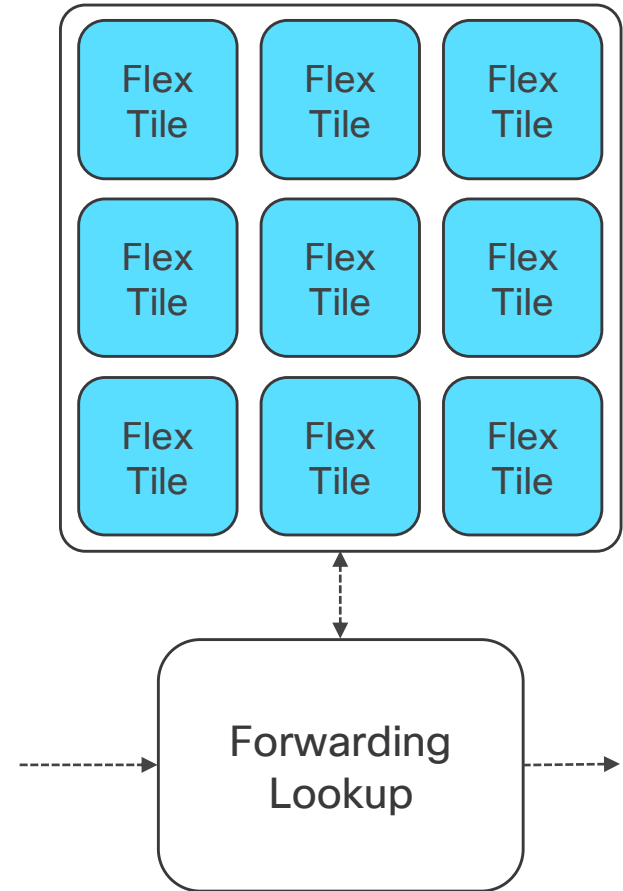


Ingress Lookup Pipeline



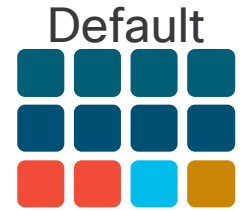
Flexible Forwarding Tiles

- Provide fungible pool of table entries for lookups
- Number of tiles and number of entries in each tile varies between ASICs
- Variety of functions, including:
 - IPv4/IPv6 unicast longest-prefix match (LPM)
 - IPv4/IPv6 unicast host-route table (HRT)
 - IPv4/IPv6 multicast (*,G) and (S,G)
 - MAC address/adjacency tables
 - ECMP tables
 - ACI policy



Flex Tile Routing Templates

- Configurable forwarding templates determine flex tile functions
 - “system routing template” syntax
- Templates as of NX-OS 9.2(2):
 - Default
 - Dual-stack host scale*†
 - Internet peering*
 - LPM heavy
 - MPLS heavy*
 - Multicast heavy
 - Multicast extra-heavy
 - Service provider
- Defined at system initialization – reboot required to change profile



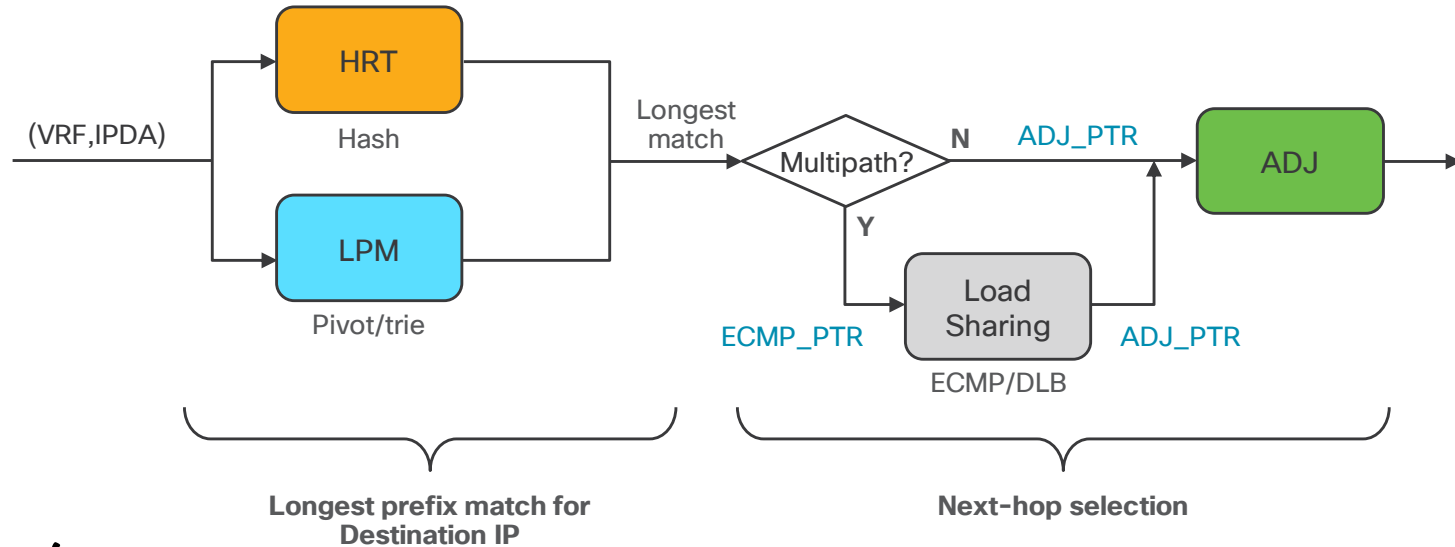
* Template does not support IP multicast

† Template not supported on modular Nexus 9500

** Template not supported on TORs

IP Unicast Forwarding

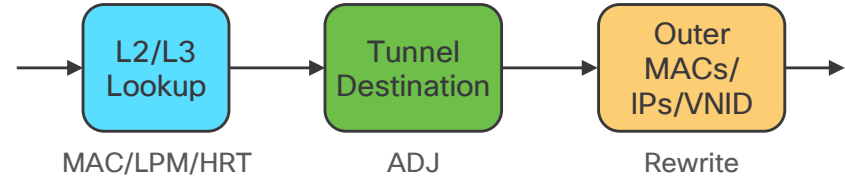
- Hardware lookup in flex tiles based on (VRF, IPDA)
- Longest-match from hash-based exact match (**HRT**) + pivot/trie match (**LPM**)
- Lookup result returns **adjacency** – directly or via **load-sharing** decision (ECMP/DLB)



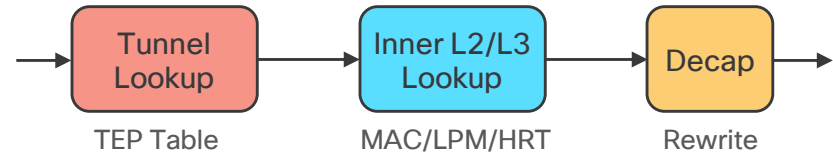
VXLAN Forwarding

- VXLAN and other tunnel encapsulation/decapsulation performed in single pass
- Encapsulation
 - L2/L3 lookup drives tunnel destination
 - Rewrite block drives outer header fields (tunnel MACs/IPs/VNID, etc.)
- Decapsulation
 - Outer lookup determines if tunnel is transit or terminated on local TEP
 - Inner lookup determines final output port and rewrites

Encapsulation



Decapsulation



Load Sharing

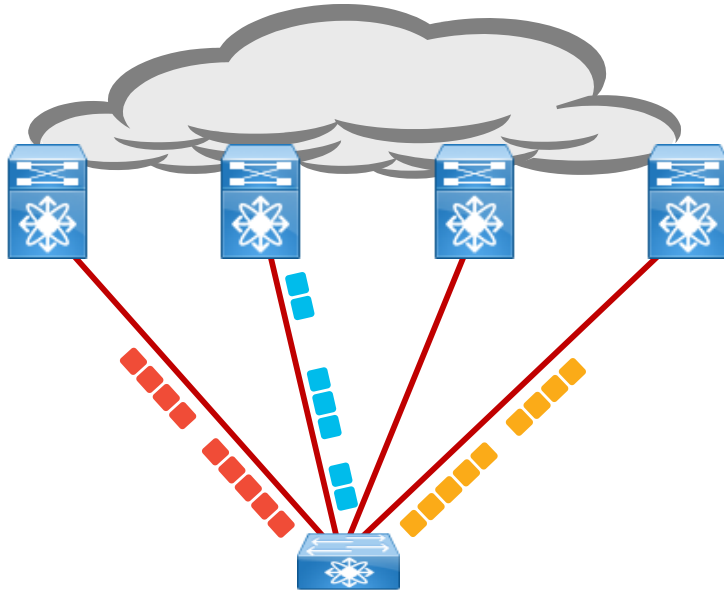
Equal-Cost Multipath (ECMP)

- Static flow-based load-sharing
- Picks ECMP next-hop based on hash of packet fields and universal ID
 - Source / destination IPv4 / IPv6 address (L3)
 - Source / destination TCP / UDP ports (L4)
 - L3 + L4 (default)
 - GRE key field

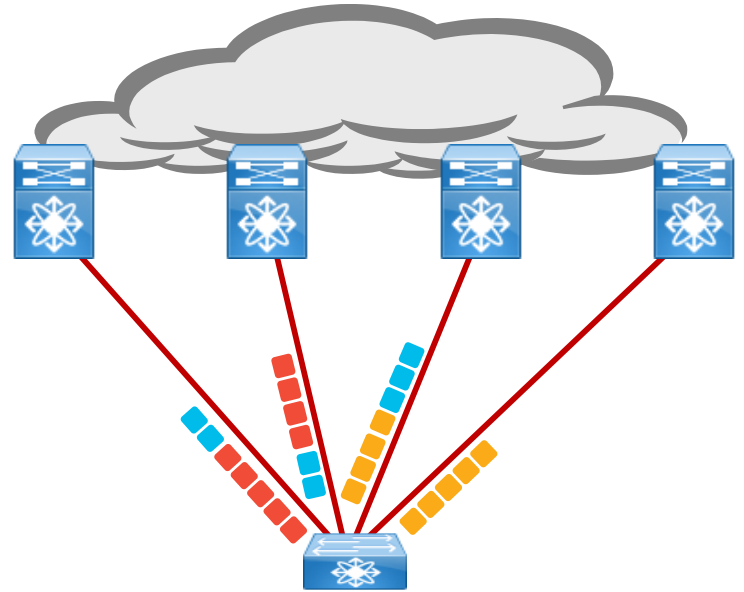
Dynamic Load-Balancing (DLB)

- Supported on leaf switches in ACI fabric
- Congestion aware, flow-based or flowlet-based – rebalances flows/flowlets based on path congestion

ECMP versus DLB Load-Sharing



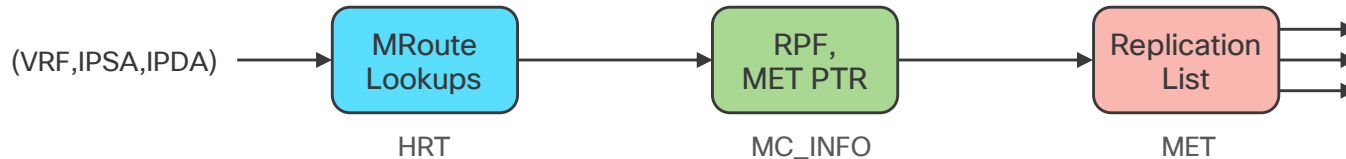
ECMP



DLB

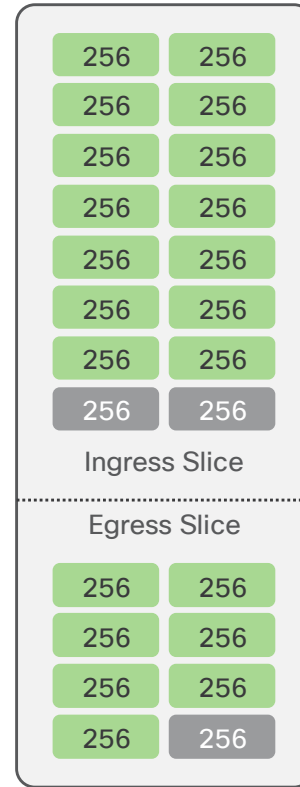
Multicast Forwarding

- Hardware performs multicast lookups in **HRT**
- Additional, secondary table for multicast also provisioned (“MC_INFO”) from flex tiles – **RPF check** and **MET pointer**
- **MET** in egress slice holds local output interface list (OIL)
- Replication is single copy, multiple reads

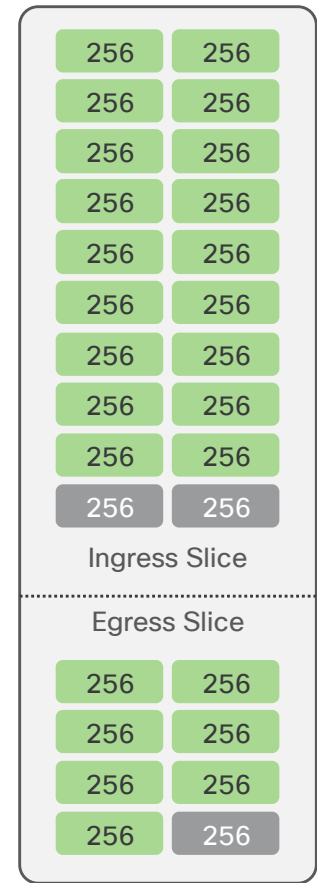


Classification TCAM

- Dedicated TCAM for packet classification
- Capacity varies depending on platform
- Leveraged by variety of features:
 - RAACL / VAACL / PAACL
 - L2/L3 QOS
 - SPAN / SPAN ACL
 - NAT
 - COPP
 - Flow table filter (LS1800FX / LS3600FX2)



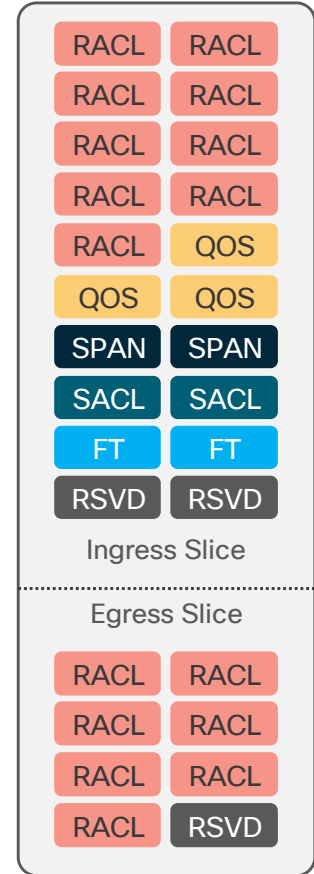
LSE / S6400
4K ingress ACEs /
2K egress ACEs per slice



LS1800FX / LS3600FX2
5K ingress ACEs /
2K egress ACEs per slice

TCAM Region Resizing

- Default carving allocates 100% of TCAM and enables:
 - Ingress / Egress RACL
 - Ingress QOS
 - SPAN
 - SPAN ACLs
 - Flow table filter (LS1800FX / LS3600FX2 only)
 - Reserved regions
- Based on features required, user can resize TCAM regions to adjust scale
 - To increase size of a region, some other region must be sized smaller
- Region sizes defined at initialization – changing allocation requires system reboot
 - Configure all regions to desired size (“hardware access-list tcam region”), save configuration, and reload



Cloud Scale Hardware Telemetry

Flow Table (FT)

- Captures full data-plane packet flow information, plus metadata

Flow Table Events (FTE)

- Triggers notifications based on thresholds / criteria met by data-plane packet flows

Streaming Statistics Export (SSX)

- Streams ASIC statistics based on user configuration

Data-Plane Flow Data

ASIC State

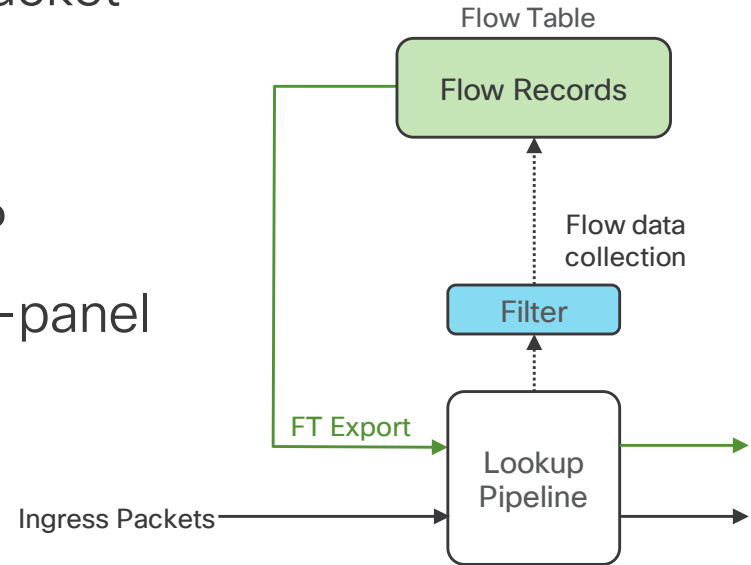
Flow Table

- Collects full flow information plus metadata
 - 5-tuple flow info
 - Interface/queue info
 - Flow start/stop time
 - Flow latency
- 32K flow table entries per slice
- Direct hardware export
- Leveraged by Network Insights, Netflow, Tetration
- LSE / LS1800FX / LS3600FX2 platforms support hardware flow table



Flow Table Operation – Network Insights

- Determine if collection enabled for packet (filter TCAM)
- If so, install FT record
- Flush records, encapsulate in IP/UDP
- Perform lookup and forward on front-panel port

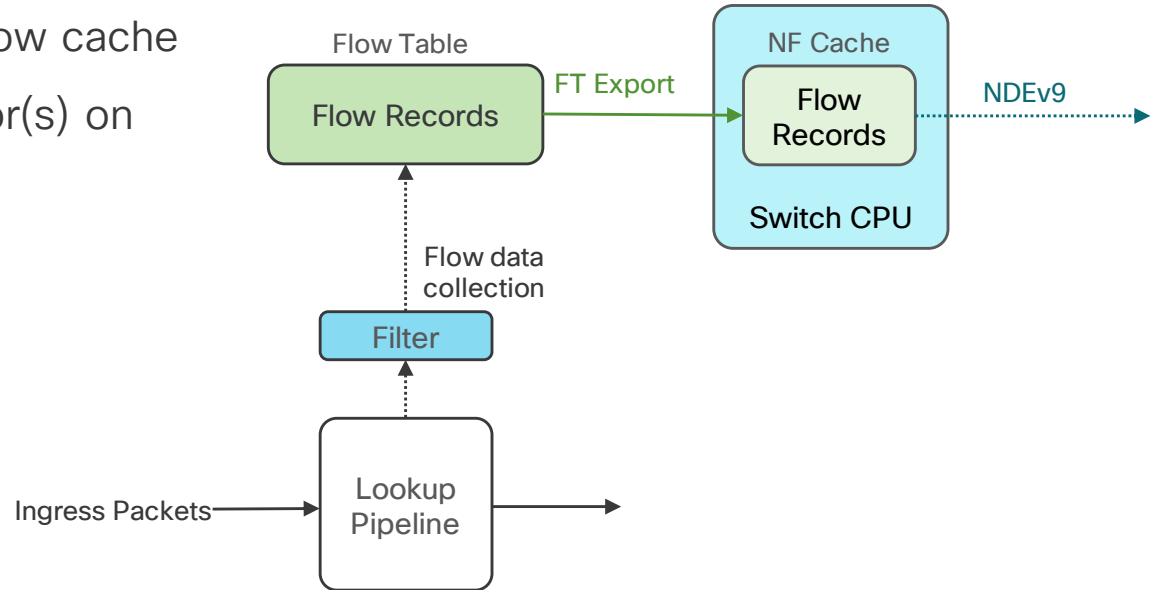


Flow Table Operation – Netflow

1. Install FT records as usual
2. Flush records to switch CPU
3. CPU builds traditional Netflow cache
4. NDEv9 exported to collector(s) on front-panel port or mgmt0

Netflow v9 support:

- 9300-FX TORs: 7.0(3)I7(1)
- 9300-EX TORs: 7.0(3)I7(2)
- 9300-FX2 TORs: 7.0(3)I7(3)
- 9500-EX Modular: 9.2(2)



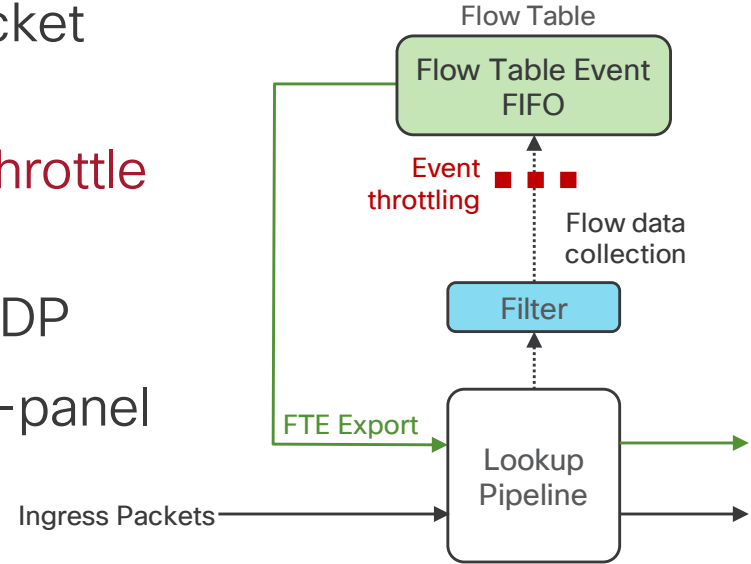
Flow Table Events

- Triggers notifications based on criteria / thresholds met by data-plane packet flows
- Collects full flow information plus metadata
 - 5-tuple flow info with timestamp
 - Interface/queue info
 - Buffer drop indication
 - Forwarding drop, ACL drop, policer drop indication
 - Latency/burst threshold exceeded indication
- Direct hardware export, with flow-level and global throttling
- LS1800FX / LS3600FX2 platforms support triggered flow table events



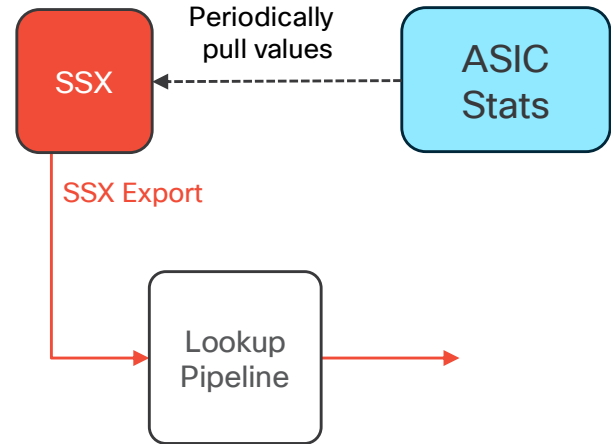
Flow Table Events Operation

- Determine if event(s) enabled for packet (filter TCAM)
- If so, collect flow data in FTE FIFO; **Throttle excess events**
- Flush and encapsulate record in IP/UDP
- Perform lookup and forward on front-panel port



Streaming Statistics Export (SSX)

- Streams ASIC statistics at rapid cadence based on user config
 - Interface counters (RMON counters)
 - Ingress/egress queue depth and queue drops
 - Egress total buffer depth
 - Egress queue microbursts
- User defines streaming parameters – which statistics, how often, and to which collector
- Direct export from ASIC to front-panel port – no switch CPU involvement
- Hardware support in S6400 / LS3600FX2



Hardware Telemetry Platform Support

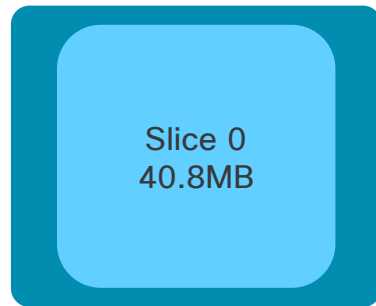
Platform	ASIC	FT	FTE	SSX
9300-EX	LSE	✓	✗	✗
9300-FX	LS1800FX	✓	✓	✗
9364C	S6400	✗	✗	✓
9300-FX2	LS3600FX2	✓	✓	✓

Buffering

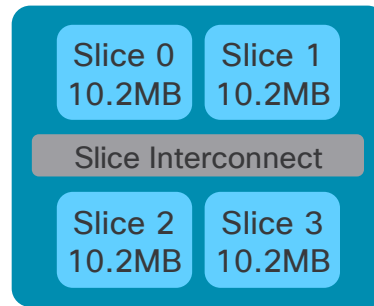
- Cloud Scale platforms implement shared-memory egress buffered architecture
- Each ASIC slice has dedicated buffer – only ports on that slice can use that buffer
- Dynamic Buffer Protection adjusts max thresholds based on class and buffer occupancy
- Intelligent buffer options maximize buffer efficiency



LSE
18.7MB/slice
(37.4MB total)



LS1800FX
40.8MB/slice
(40.8MB total)



S6400
10.2MB/slice
(40.8MB total)

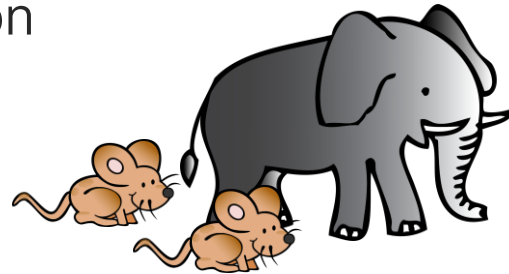


LS3600FX2
20MB/slice
(40MB total)
Shared option (10MB/slice +
20MB shared)

Intelligent Buffering

Innovative Buffer Management for Cloud Scale switches

- **Dynamic Buffer Protection (DBP)** – Controls buffer allocation for congested queues in shared-memory architecture
- **Approximate Fair Drop (AFD)** – Maintains buffer headroom per queue to maximize burst absorption
- **Dynamic Packet Prioritization (DPP)** – Prioritizes short-lived flows to expedite flow setup and completion



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Dynamic Buffer Protection (DBP)

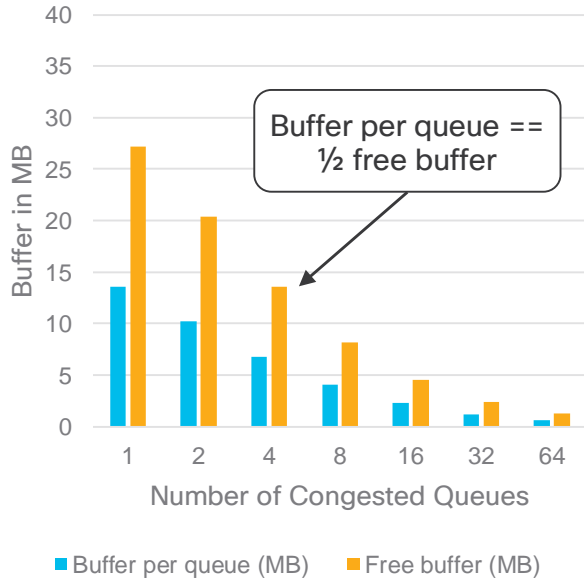
- Prevents any output queue from consuming more than its fair share of buffer in shared-memory architecture
- Defines dynamic max threshold for each queue
 - If queue length exceeds threshold, packet is discarded
 - Otherwise packet is admitted to queue and scheduled for transmission
- Threshold calculated by multiplying free memory by configurable, per-queue **Alpha** (α) value (weight)
 - Alpha controls how aggressively DBP maintains free buffer pages during congestion events



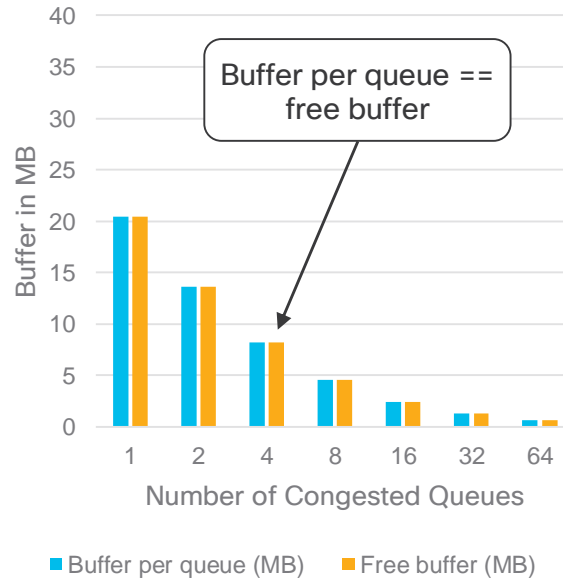
Alpha Parameter Examples

Default Alpha on
Cloud Scale switches

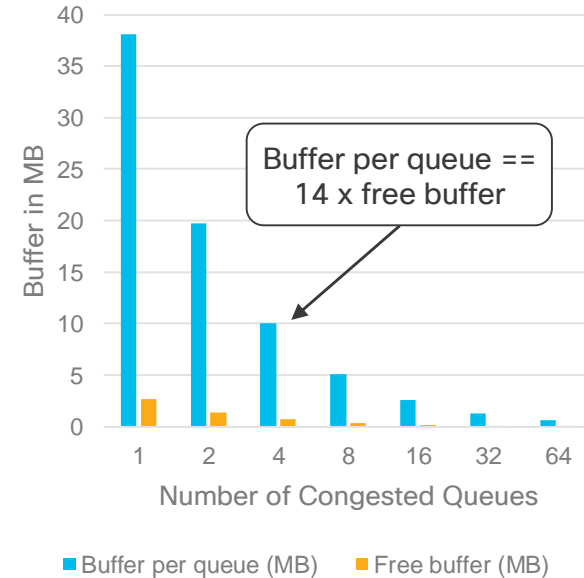
Alpha (α) = 0.5



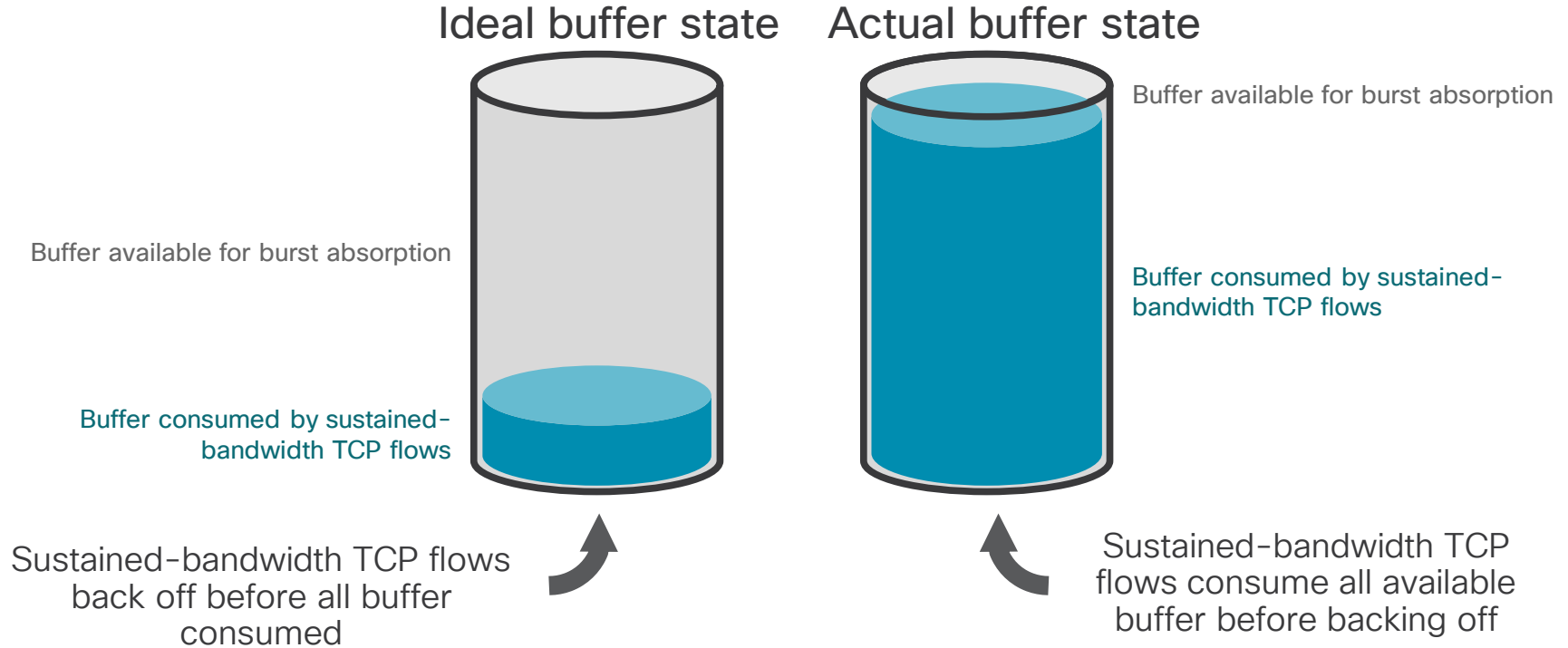
Alpha (α) = 1



Alpha (α) = 14

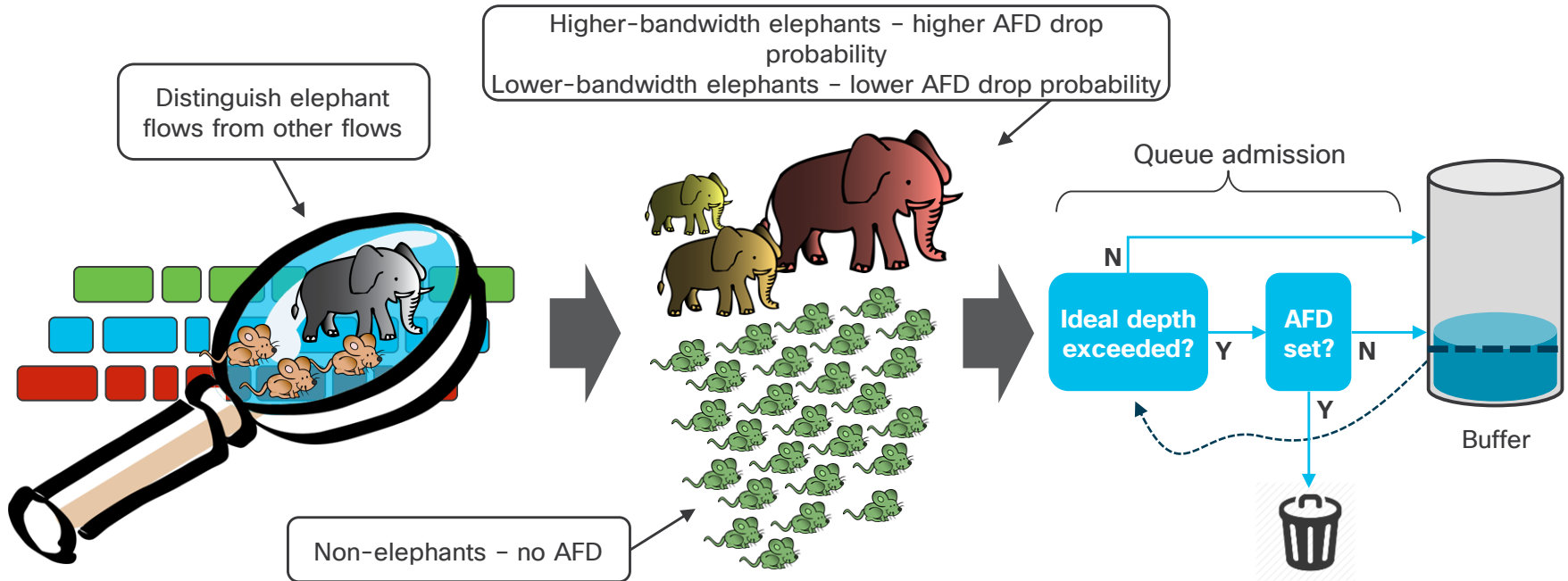


Buffering – Ideal versus Reality



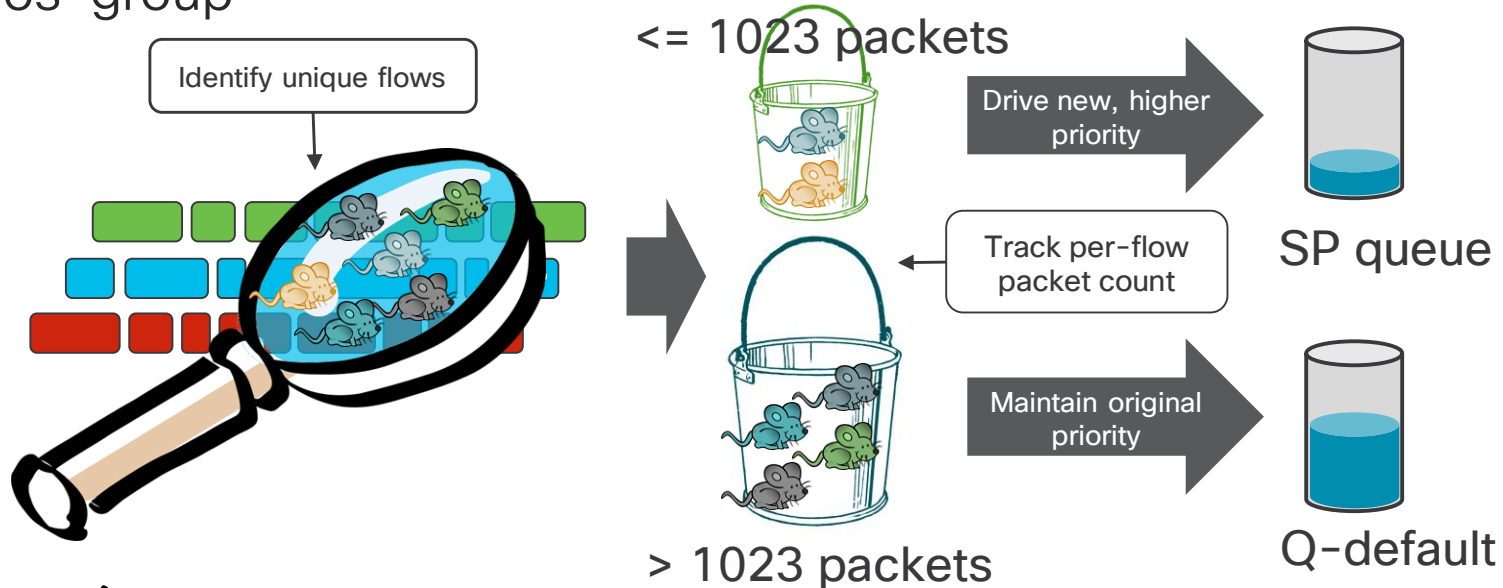
Approximate Fair Drop (AFD)

Maintain throughput while minimizing buffer consumption by elephant flows – **keep buffer state as close to the ideal as possible**

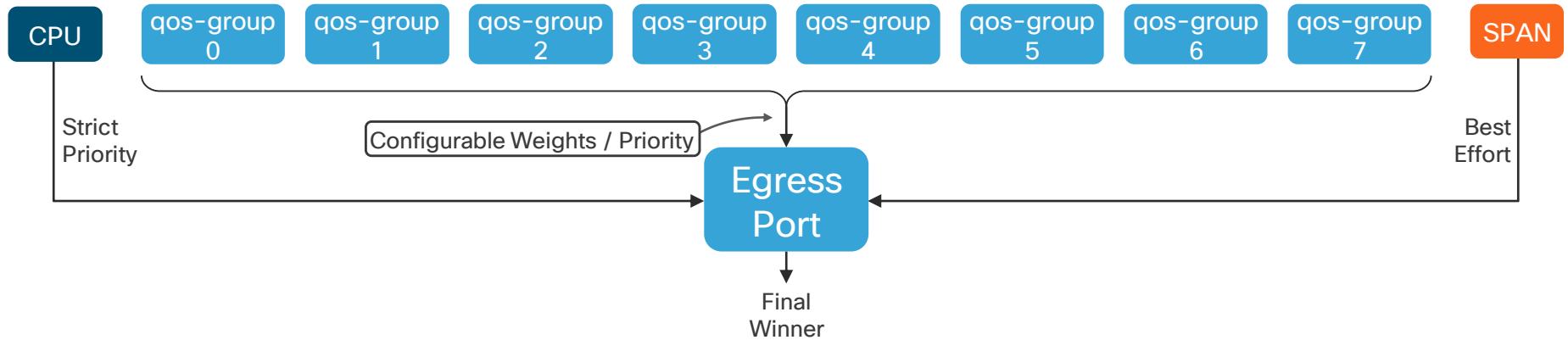


Dynamic Packet Prioritization (DPP)

- Prioritize initial packets of new / short-lived flows
- Up to first 1023 packets of each flow assigned to higher-priority qos-group



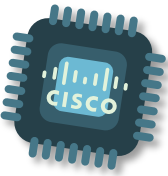
Queuing and Scheduling



- 8 qos-groups per output port
- Egress queuing policy defines priority and weights
- Dedicated classes for CPU traffic and SPAN traffic

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Cloud Scale Platforms

Nexus 9300-EX and 9300-FX/FX2

- Premier TOR platforms
- Full Cloud Scale functionality
- ACI leaf / standalone leaf or spine
- FX option with MACSEC using LS1800FX silicon
- FX2 option with key enhancements using LS3600FX2 silicon

Nexus 9500 with X9700-EX and X9700-FX Modules

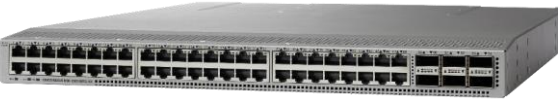
- Switching modules for Nexus 9500 modular chassis
- Full Cloud Scale functionality
- ACI spine / standalone aggregation or spine
- FX option with MACSEC using LS1800FX silicon

Nexus 9300-EX Cloud Scale TOR Switches



48-port 10/25G SFP28 + 6-port 100G QSFP28

N9K-C93180YC-EX - LSE-based
ACI: 1.3(1)
NX-OS: 7.0(3)I4(2)



48-port 1/10GBASE-T + 6-port 100G QSFP28

N9K-C93108TC-EX - LSE-based
ACI: 2.0(1)
NX-OS: 7.0(3)I4(2)

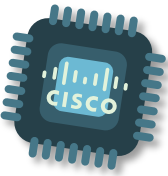


32-port 40G/100G QSFP28

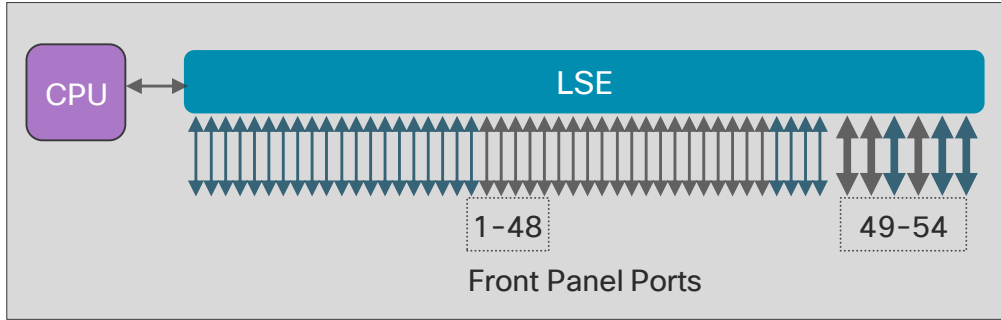
N9K-C93180LC-EX - LSE-based
ACI: 2.2(1)
NX-OS: 7.0(3)I6(1)

Key Features

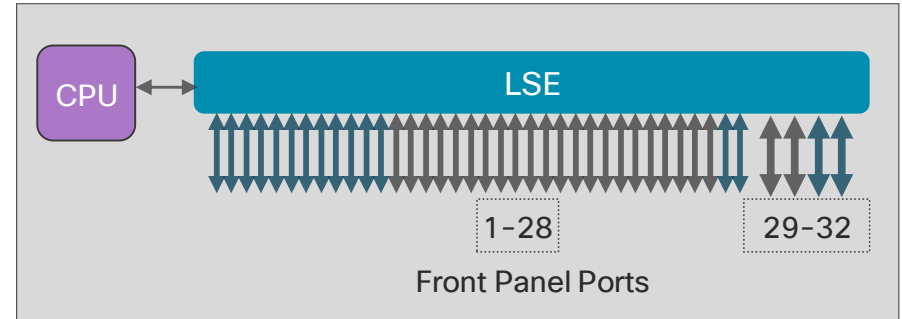
- Dual capability - ACI and NX-OS mode
- Flexible port configurations -
1/10/25/40/50/100G
- Native 25G server access ports
- Flow Table for Tetration Analytics, Netflow
- Smart buffer capability (AFD / DPP)



Nexus 9300-EX Switch Architectures



C93180YC-EX (10/25G + 100G) /
C93108TC-EX (10G + 100G)



C93180LC-EX (40G + 100G)

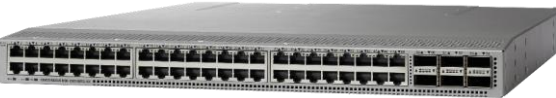


Nexus 9300-FX Cloud Scale TOR Switches – Pervasive MACSEC



48-port 10/25G SFP28 + 6-port 100G QSFP28

N9K-C93180YC-FX –
LS1800FX-based
ACI: 2.2(2e)
NX-OS: 7.0(3)I7(1)



48-port 1/10GBASE-T + 6-port 100G QSFP28

N9K-C93108TC-FX –
LS1800FX-based
ACI: 2.2(2e)
NX-OS: 7.0(3)I7(1)



48-port 100M/1GBASE-T + 4-port 10G/25G + 2-port 100G QSFP28

N9K-C9348GC-FXP –
LS1800FX-based
ACI: 3.0(1)
NX-OS: 7.0(3)I7(1)

Key Features

Dual capability – ACI and NX-OS mode

Flexible port configurations –
100M/1/10/25/40/50/100G

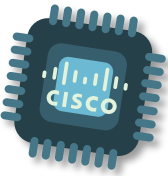
Line-rate 256-bit encryption on all ports

32G FC support on all SFP ports

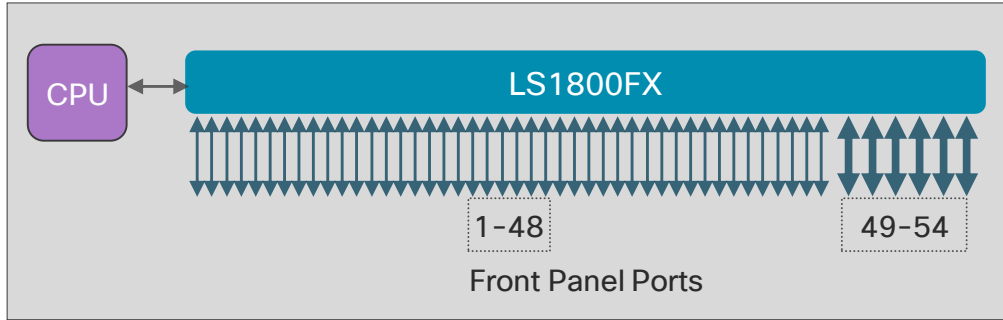
25G distances beyond 3m (RS-FEC)

Flow Table for Tetration Analytics,
Network Insights, Netflow

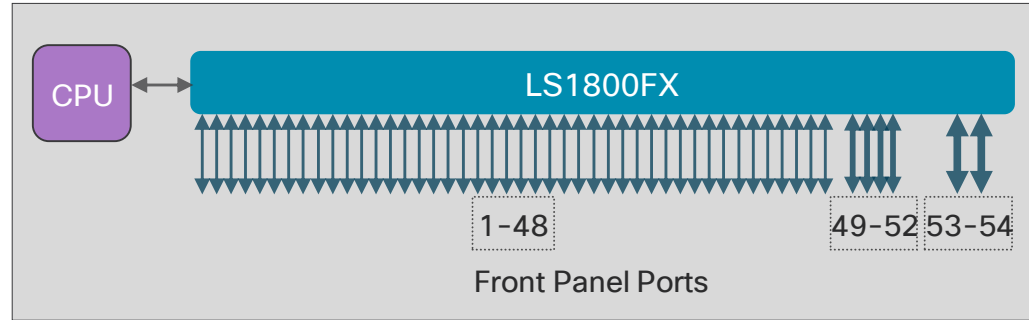
Smart buffer capability (AFD / DPP)



Nexus 9300-FX Switch Architectures



C93180YC-FX (10/25G + 100G) /
C93108TC-FX (10G + 100G)



C9348GC-FXP (100M/1G + 10/25G + 100G)

Nexus 9364C / 9332C 100G Cloud Scale Switches



**64-port 100G QSFP28
+ 2-port 10G SFP+**

N9K-C9364C - S6400-based
ACI: 3.0(1)
NX-OS: 7.0(3)I7(2)

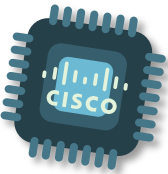


**32-port 100G QSFP28
+ 2-port 10G SFP+**

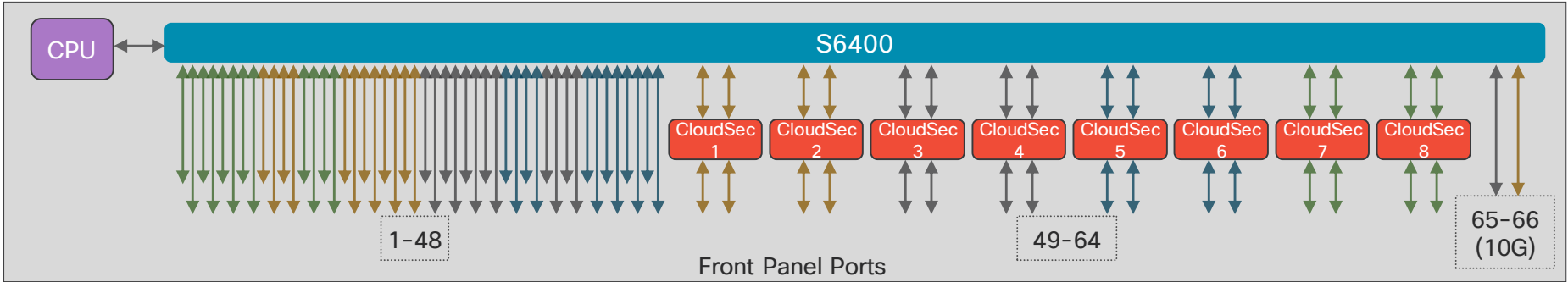
N9K-C9332C - S6400-based
ACI: 4.0(1)
NX-OS: 9.2(3)

Key Features

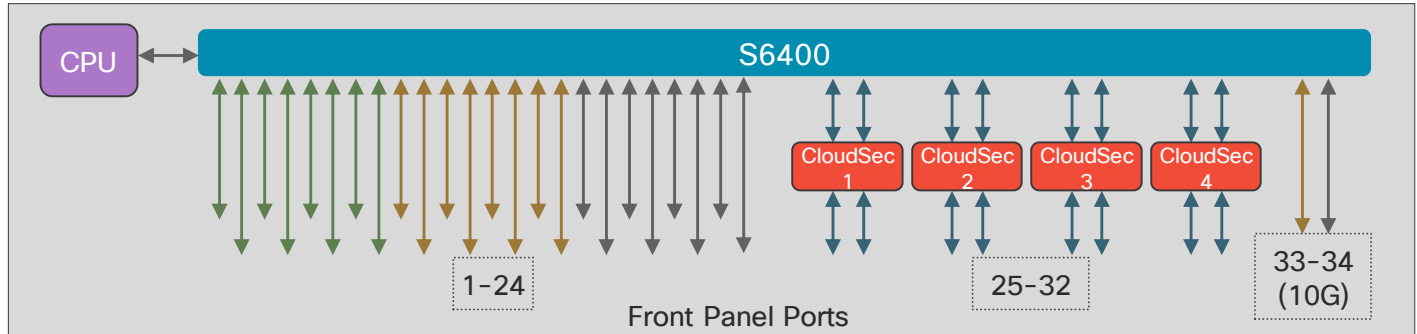
- Dual capability – ACI and NX-OS mode
- Compact, high-performance fixed ACI spine
- 100G/50G/40G/10G (single port mode – no breakout)
- 2 x 100M/1G/10G SFP+ ports
- MACSEC/CloudSec on 16 / 8 ports**
- Streaming Statistics Export (SSX)**
- Smart buffer capability (AFD / DPP)



Nexus 9364C / 9332C Switch Architecture



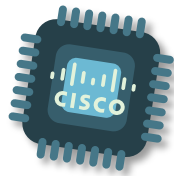
C9364C (100G + 10G)



C9332C (100G + 10G)



Nexus 9300-FX2 Cloud Scale TOR Switches



36-port 100G QSFP28

N9K-C9336C-FX2 - LS3600FX2-based
ACI: 3.1(2)
NX-OS: 7.0(3)I7(3)

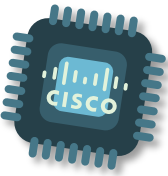


48-port 10/25G SFP28 + 12-port 100G QSFP28

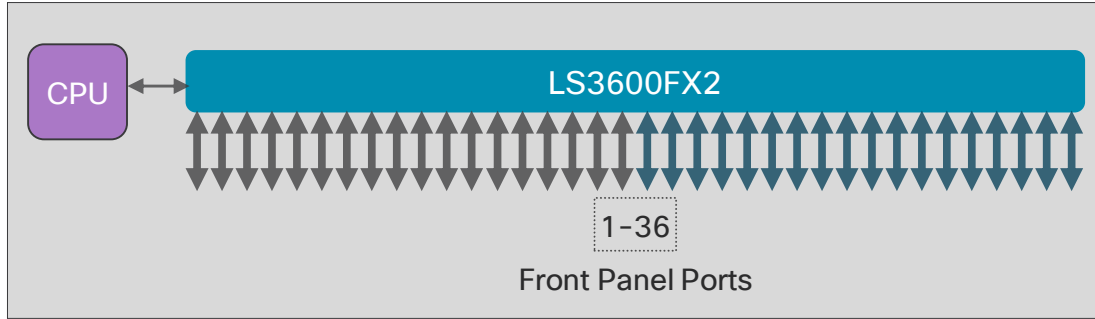
N9K-C93240YC-FX2 - LS3600FX2-based
ACI: 4.0(1)
NX-OS: 7.0(3)I7(3)

Key Features

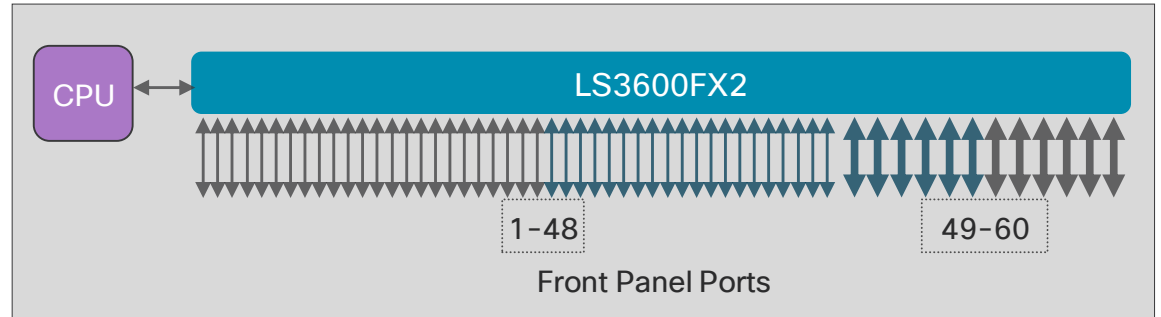
- Dual capability – ACI and NX-OS mode
- Versatile standalone 100G switch
- High-performance 100G ACI leaf switch (9336C)
- 100G/50G/40G/10G with breakout capability
- Flow Table** for Tetration Analytics, Network Insights, Netflow
- Streaming Statistics Export (SSX)**
- MACSEC/CloudSec on all ports**
- Smart buffer capability (AFD / DPP)



Nexus 9300-FX2 Switch Architecture



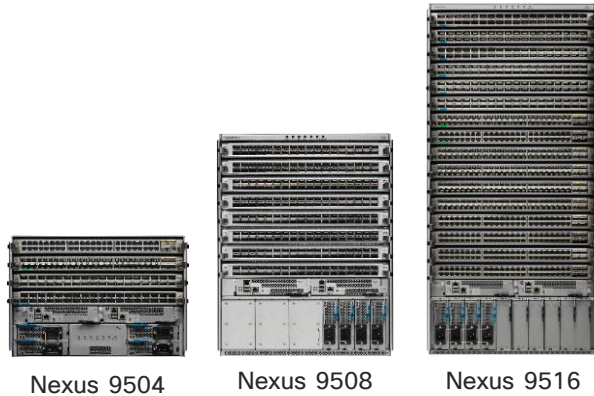
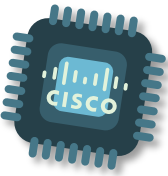
C9336C-FX2 (100G)



C93240YC-FX2 (10/25G + 100G)



Nexus 9500 Modular Cloud Scale Switches

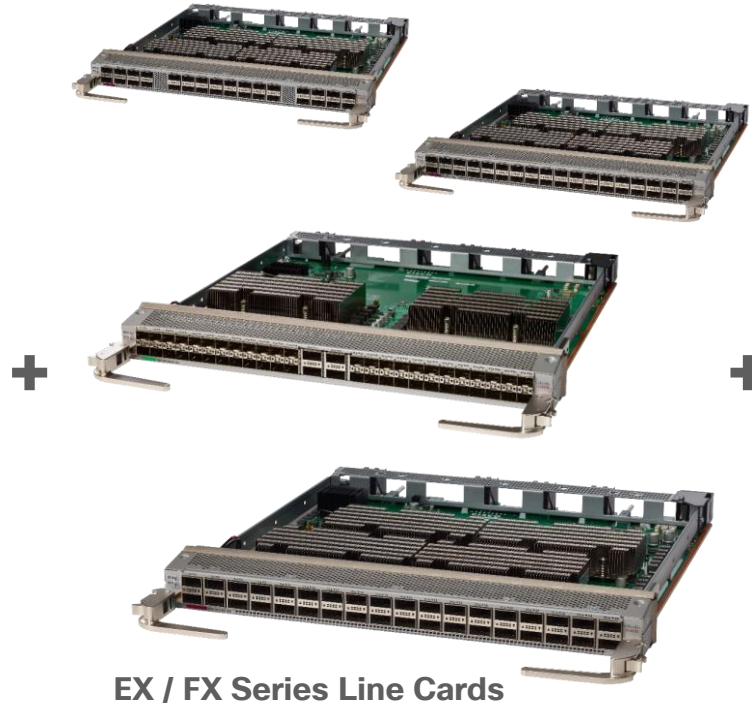


Nexus 9504

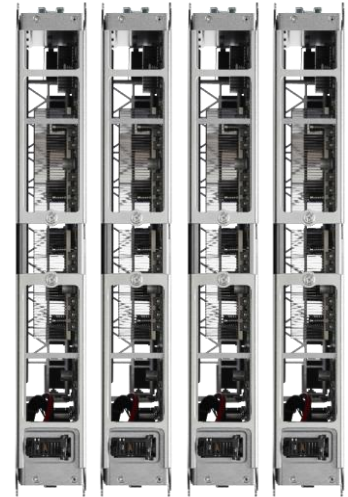
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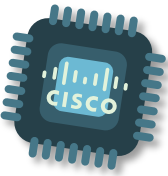
Common Equipment



EX / FX Series Line Cards

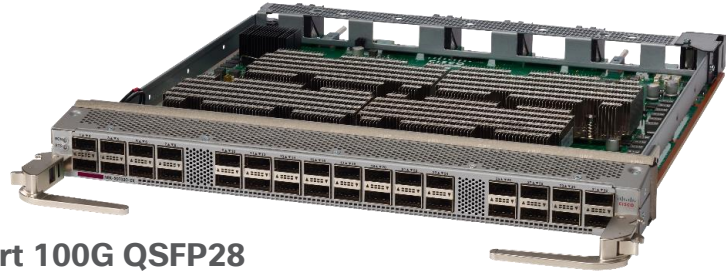


E/E2-Series Fabric Modules



X9700-EX 100G Cloud Scale Modules

N9K-X9732C-EX / N9K-X9736C-EX



32-port 100G QSFP28

X9732C-EX - LSE-based
ACI: 1.3(1)
NX-OS: 7.0(3)I4(2)



36-port 100G QSFP28

X9736C-EX - LSE-based
ACI: Not supported
NX-OS: 7.0(3)I6(1)

Key Features

9732C-EX - Dual capability ACI and NX-OS

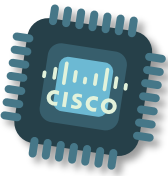
9736C-EX - NX-OS only

Line-rate performance up to 3.2Tbps capacity

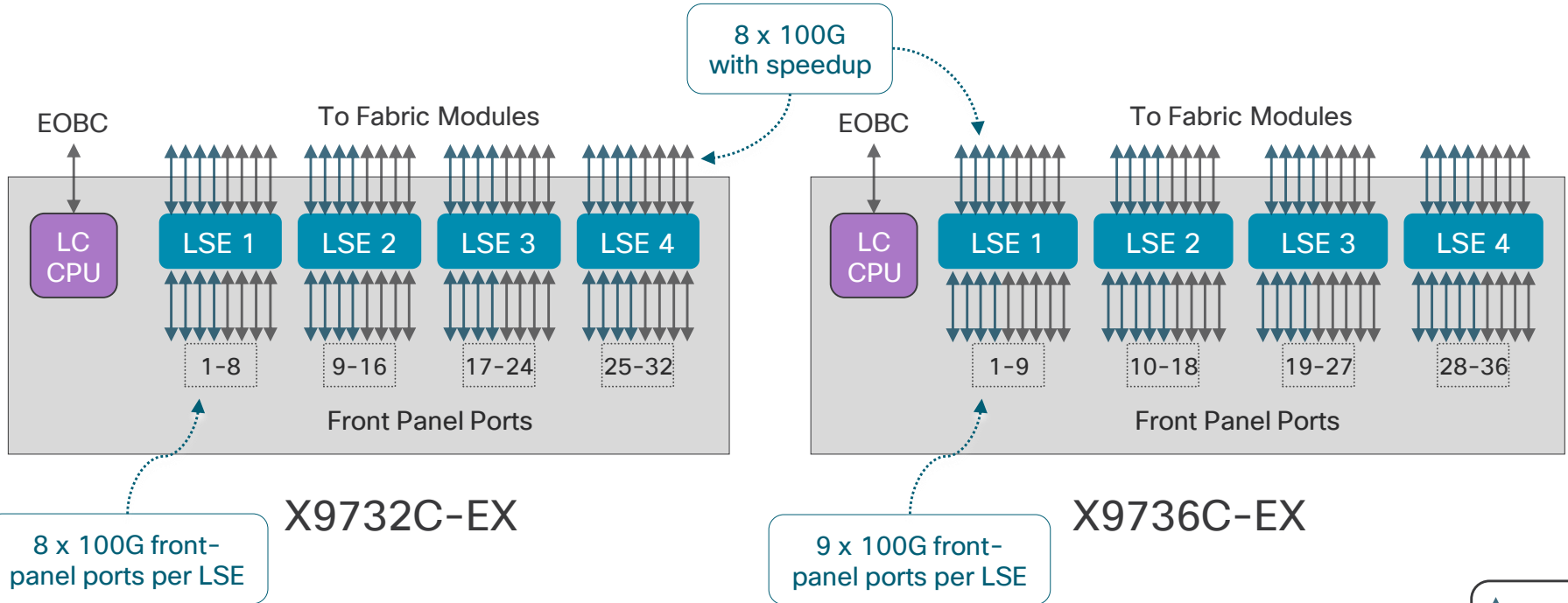
Flexible port configurations -
10/25/40/50/100G with breakout

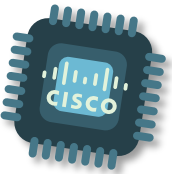
Flow Table for Netflow, Tetration

Smart buffer capability (AFD / DPP)



N9K-X9732C-EX / N9K-X9736C-EX Architecture

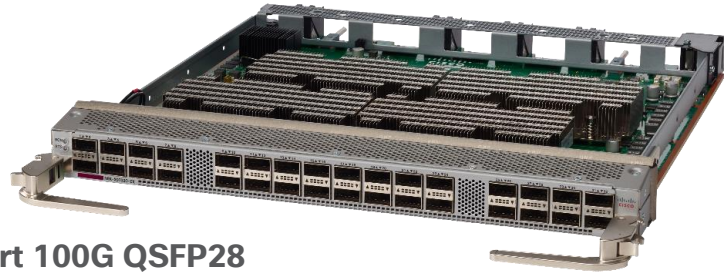




X9700-FX 100G Cloud Scale Modules

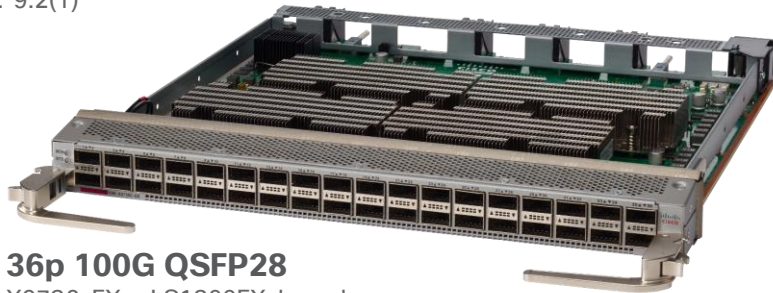
N9K-X9732C-FX / N9K-X9736C-FX

Key Features



32-port 100G QSFP28

X9732C-FX – LS1800FX-based
ACI: Not supported
NX-OS: 9.2(1)



36p 100G QSFP28

X9736C-FX – LS1800FX-based
ACI: 13.0(1)
NX-OS: NX-OS: 7.0(3)I7(3)

9732C-FX – NX-OS only

9736C-FX – Dual capability ACI and NX-OS

3.2Tbps capacity line-rate performance at 170-byte frames

N+1 fabric redundancy on 9732C-FX

3.6Tbps capacity with optional 5th fabric module on 9736C-FX

Flexible port configurations – 10/25/40/50/100G with breakout

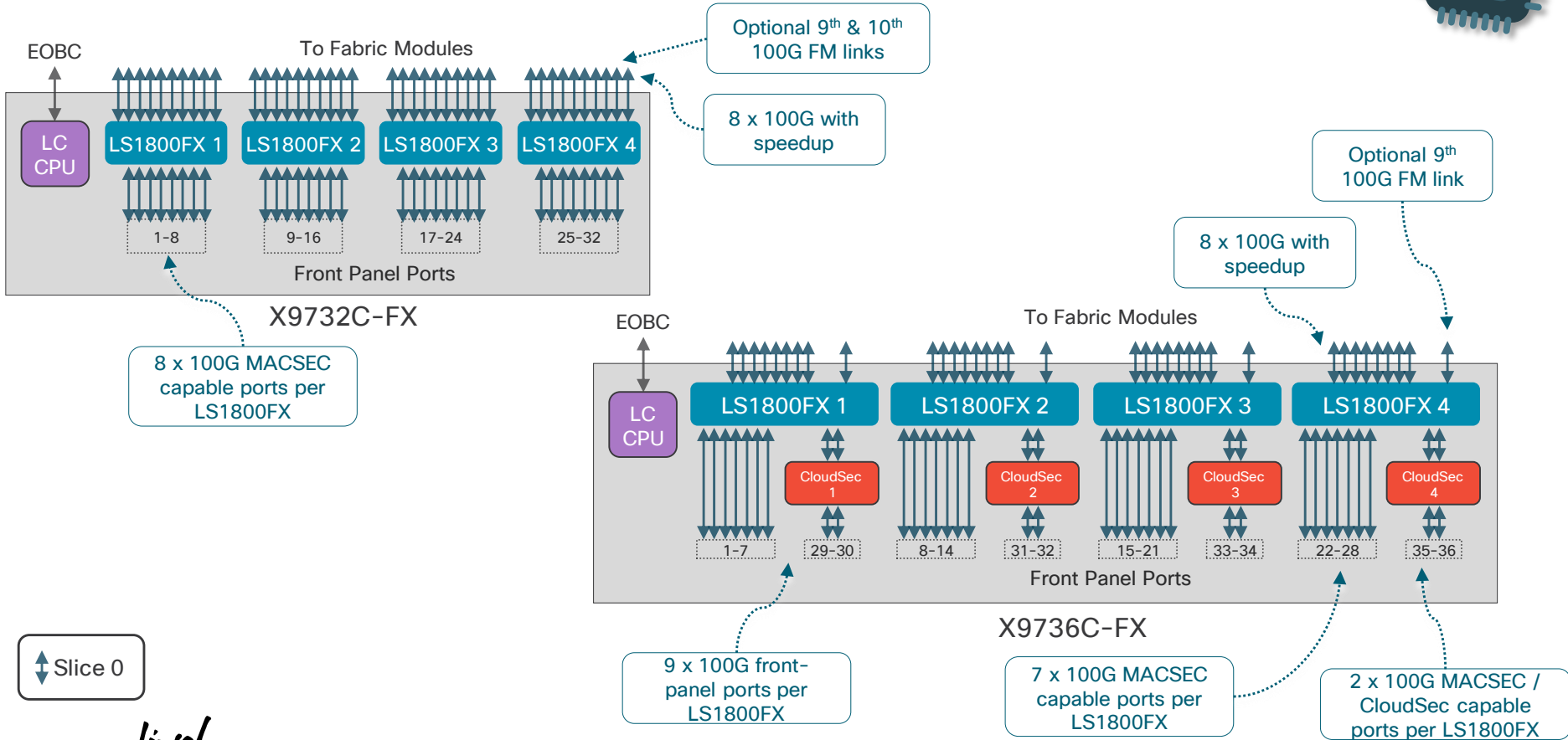
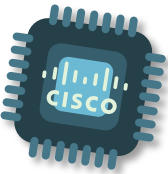
Line-rate MACSEC on all ports

CloudSec encryption (8 ports) on 9736C-FX

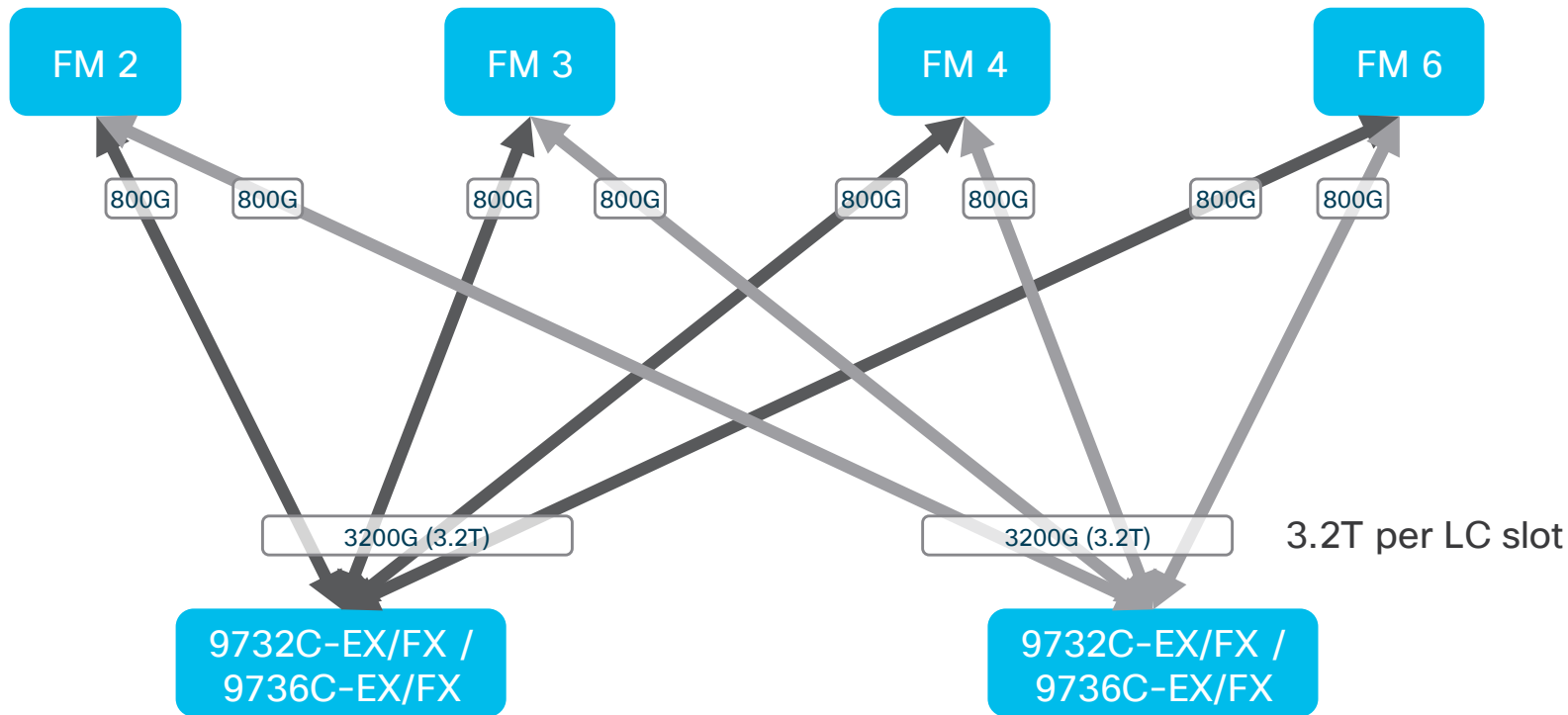
Flow Table for Network Insights, NetFlow (roadmap), Tetration

Smart buffer capability (AFD / DPP)

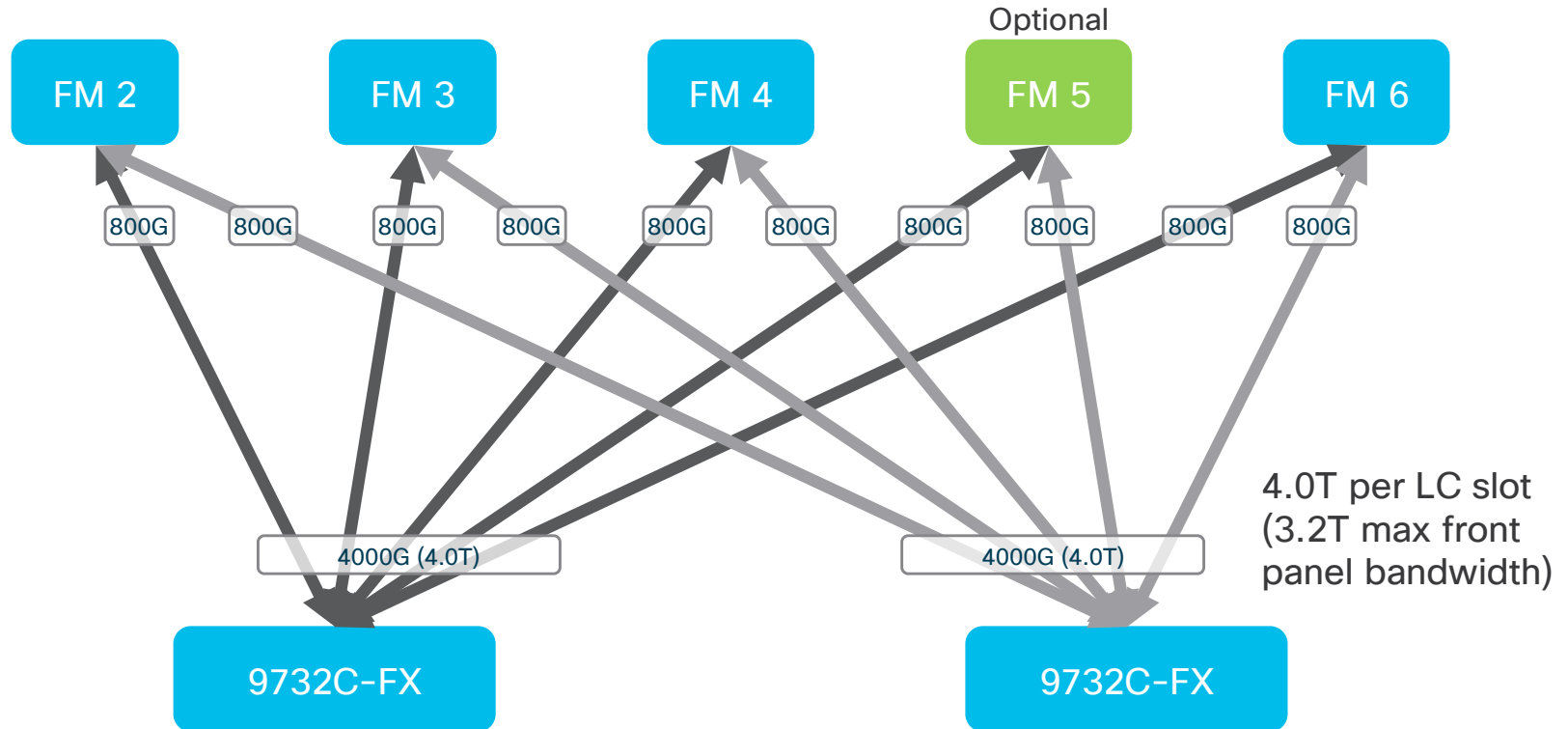
N9K-X9732C-FX / N9K-X9736C-FX Architecture



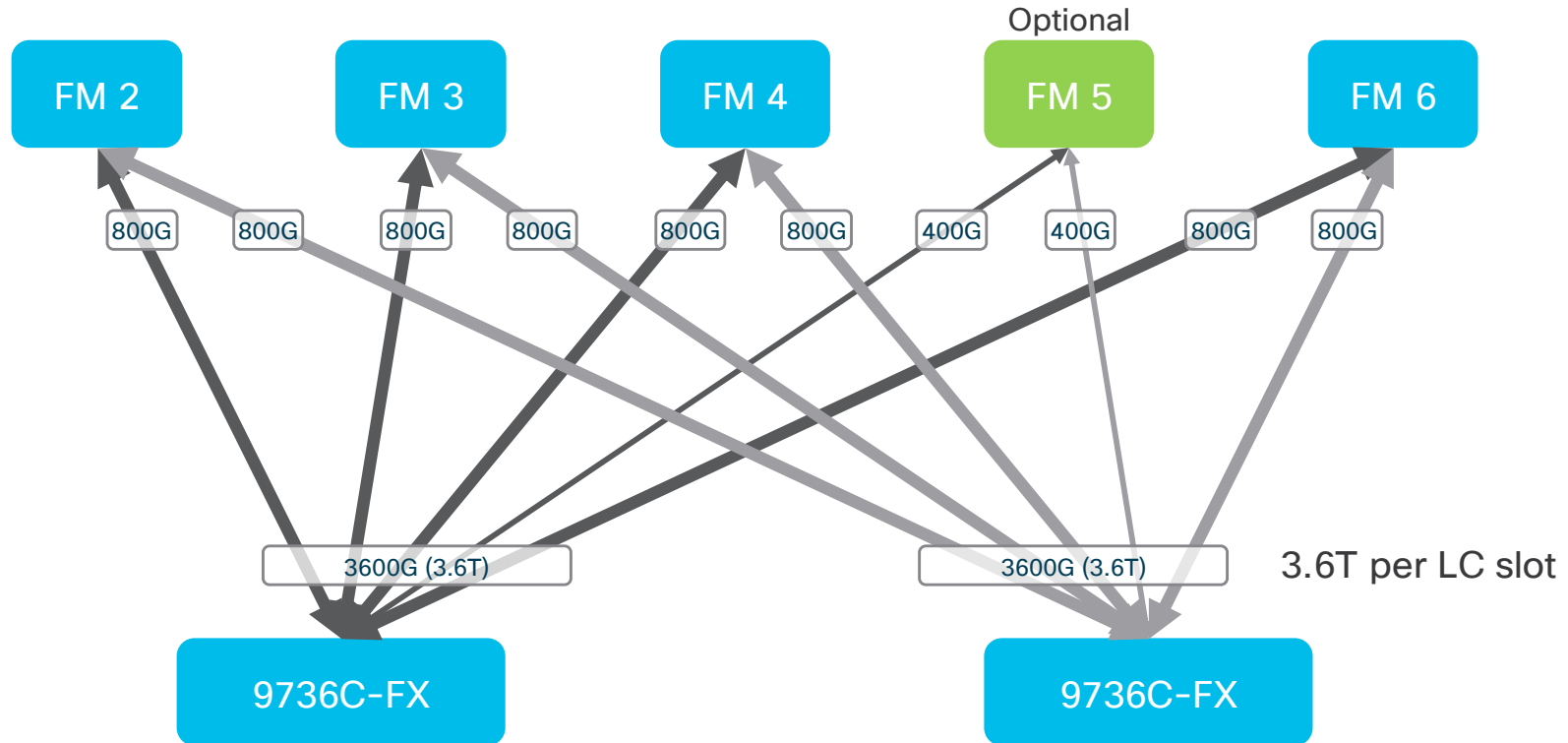
9732C-EX / 9736C-EX / 9732C-FX / 9736C-FX Fabric Connectivity



9732C-FX Fabric Connectivity - 5 FMs



9736C-FX Fabric Connectivity - 5 FMs



Fabric Redundancy – 5 FMs

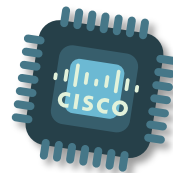
Limitations and Notes

- **All** modules installed in chassis must be either 9732C-FX or 9736C-FX to use 5 FMs
 - If other module type installed, 5th FM powered off automatically
- **9732C-FX:**
 - 5 FMs required for N+1 fabric module redundancy
- **9736C-FX:**
 - 5 FMs required for full bandwidth
 - Bandwidth reduction on FM failure varies depending on which FM failed

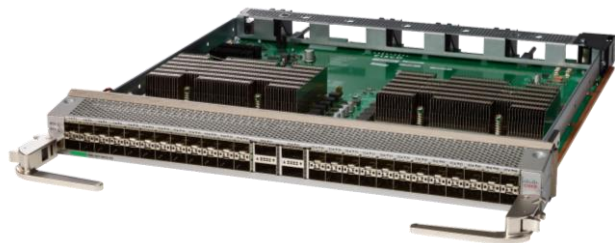
Note: 5 x FMs supported on all chassis types in standalone from 7.0(3)I7(2). 5 x FMs with 9736C-FX supported from in ACI 13.2(2).

X9700-EX/FX EOR/MOR Cloud Scale Modules

N9K-X97160YC-EX / N9K-X9788TC-FX



Key Features



48p 10/25G SFP+ and 4p

100G QSFP28

X97160YC-EX - LSE-based

ACI: Not supported

NX-OS: 7.0(3)I5(2)



48p 1/10GBASE-T and 4p

100G QSFP28

X9788TC-FX - LS1800FX-based

ACI: Not supported

NX-OS: 7.0(3)I7(3)

NX-OS mode only

Flow Table for Tetration Analytics, NetFlow

Smart buffer capability (AFD / DPP)

97160-EX:

1.6Tbps capacity with line-rate performance

Flexible port configurations - 1/10/25G SFP28 ports, 1/10/25/40/50/100G QSFP28 ports

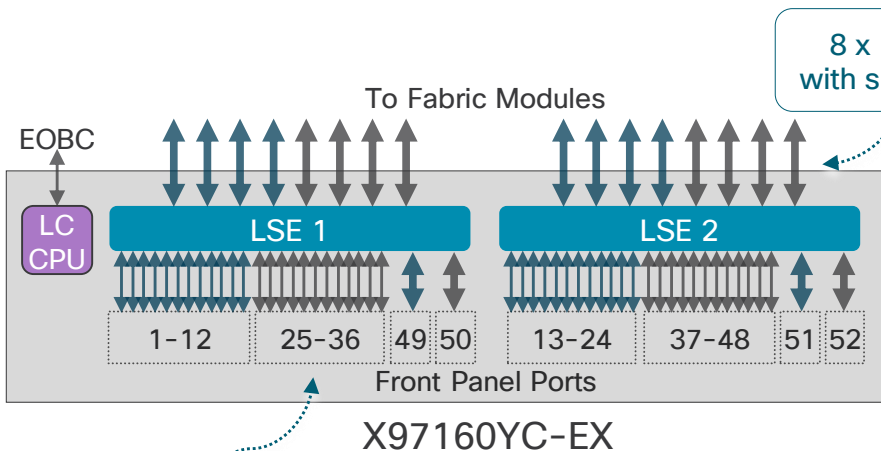
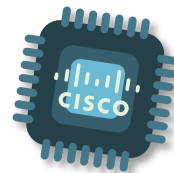
9788-FX:

880Gbps capacity with line-rate performance

Flexible port configurations - 1/10GBASE-T ports, 1/10/25/40/50/100G QSFP28 ports

Line-rate MACSEC on all ports

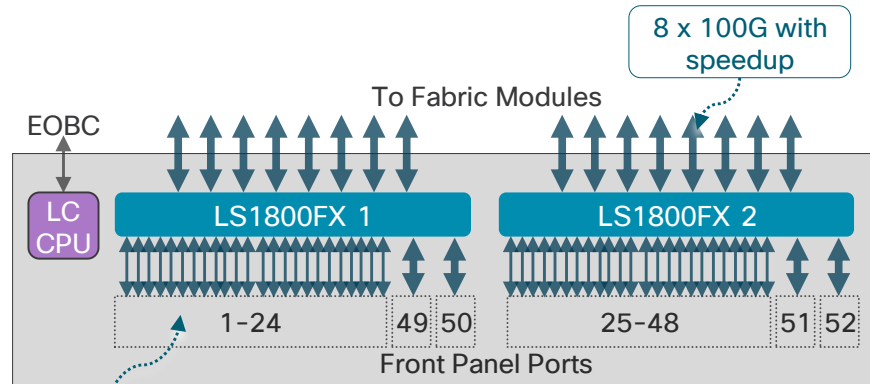
N9K-X97160YC-EX / N9K-X9788TC-FX Architecture



8 x 100G
with speedup

24 x 10/25G and 2 x 100G
front-panel ports per LSE

X97160YC-EX



8 x 100G with
speedup

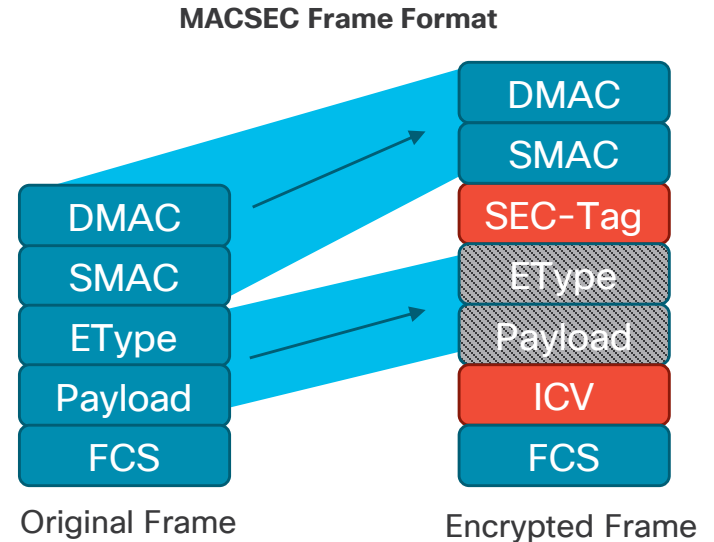
24 x 1/10G and 2 x
100G front-panel
ports per LS1800FX

X9788TC-FX

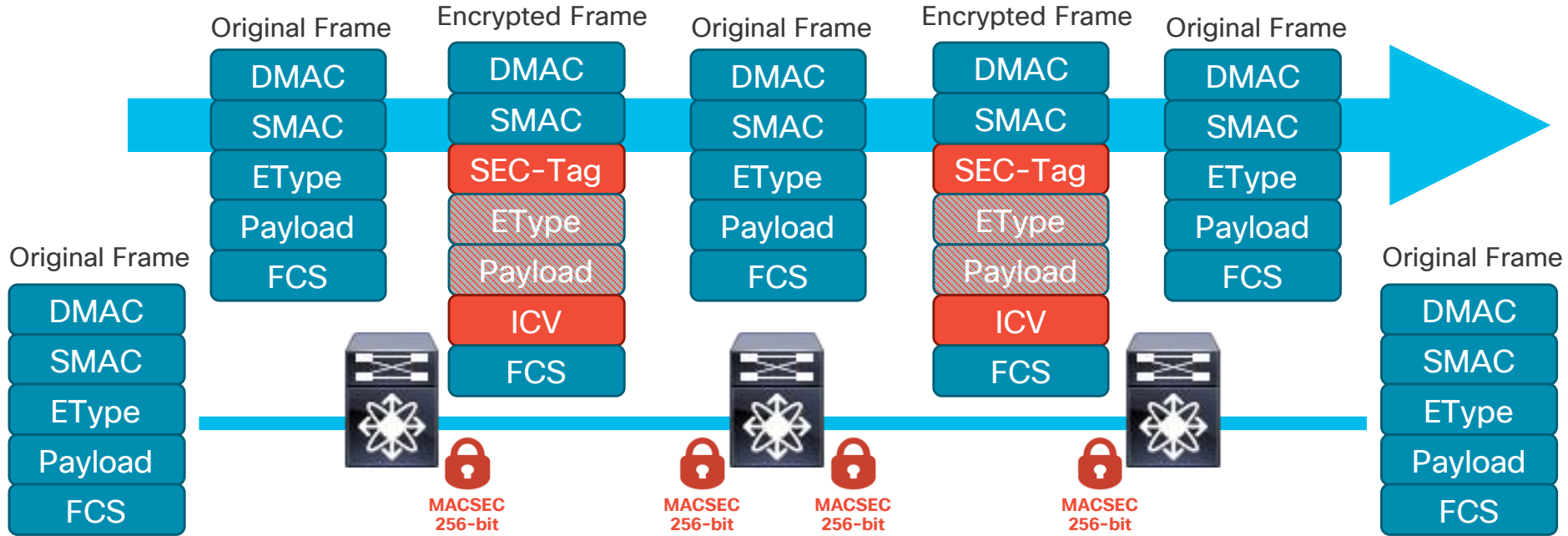
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MACSEC Hardware Encryption

- Provides link-level hop-by-hop encryption
- IEEE 802.1AE 128-bit and 256-bit AES encryption with MKA Key Exchange
- Native hardware support available on:
 - All ports on X9736C-FX linecard
 - All ports on Nexus 93180YC-FX / 93108TC-FX switches
 - 16 x 100G ports on Nexus 9364C switch
 - All ports on Nexus 9336C-FX2 / N9K-C93240YC-FX2 switches

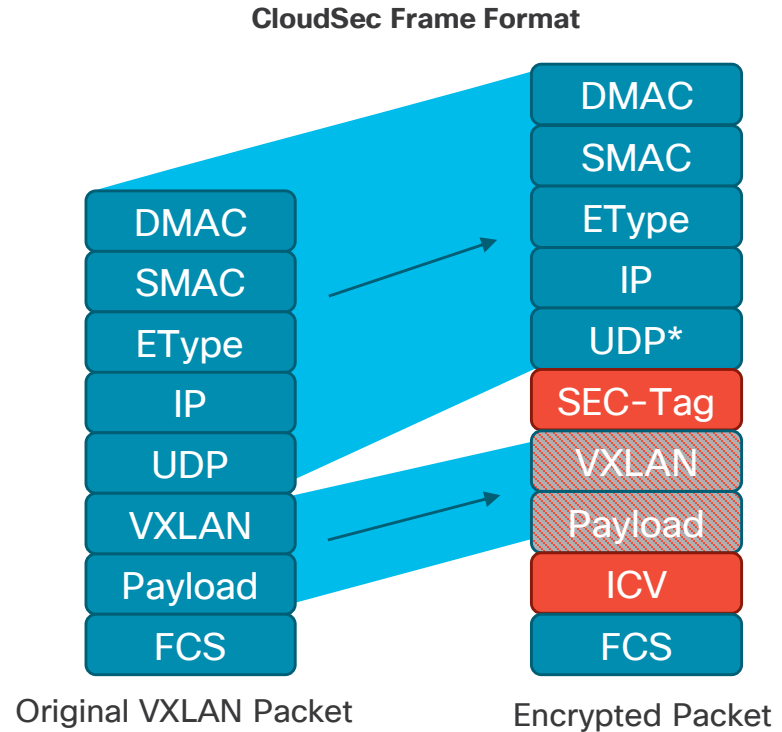


MACSEC



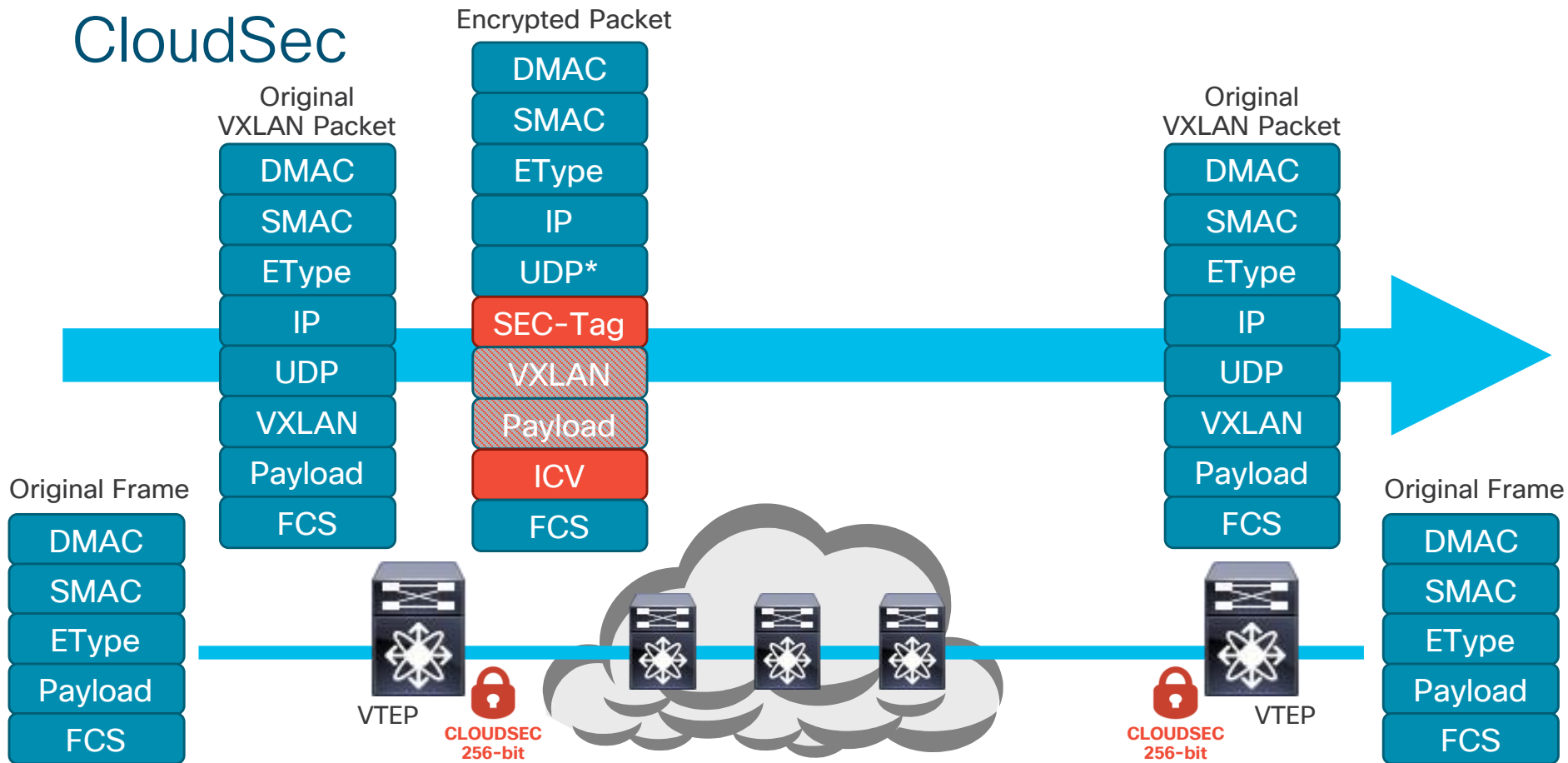
CloudSec Hardware Encryption

- Provides VTEP-to-VTEP encryption
- Encrypts VXLAN header and payload for transport over arbitrary IP network
- Hardware support available on:
 - 8 x 100G ports on X9736C-FX linecard
 - 16 x 100G ports on Nexus 9364C
 - All ports on 9300-FX2 TORs
- No support on other TOR switches



* CloudSec UDP dest port

CloudSec

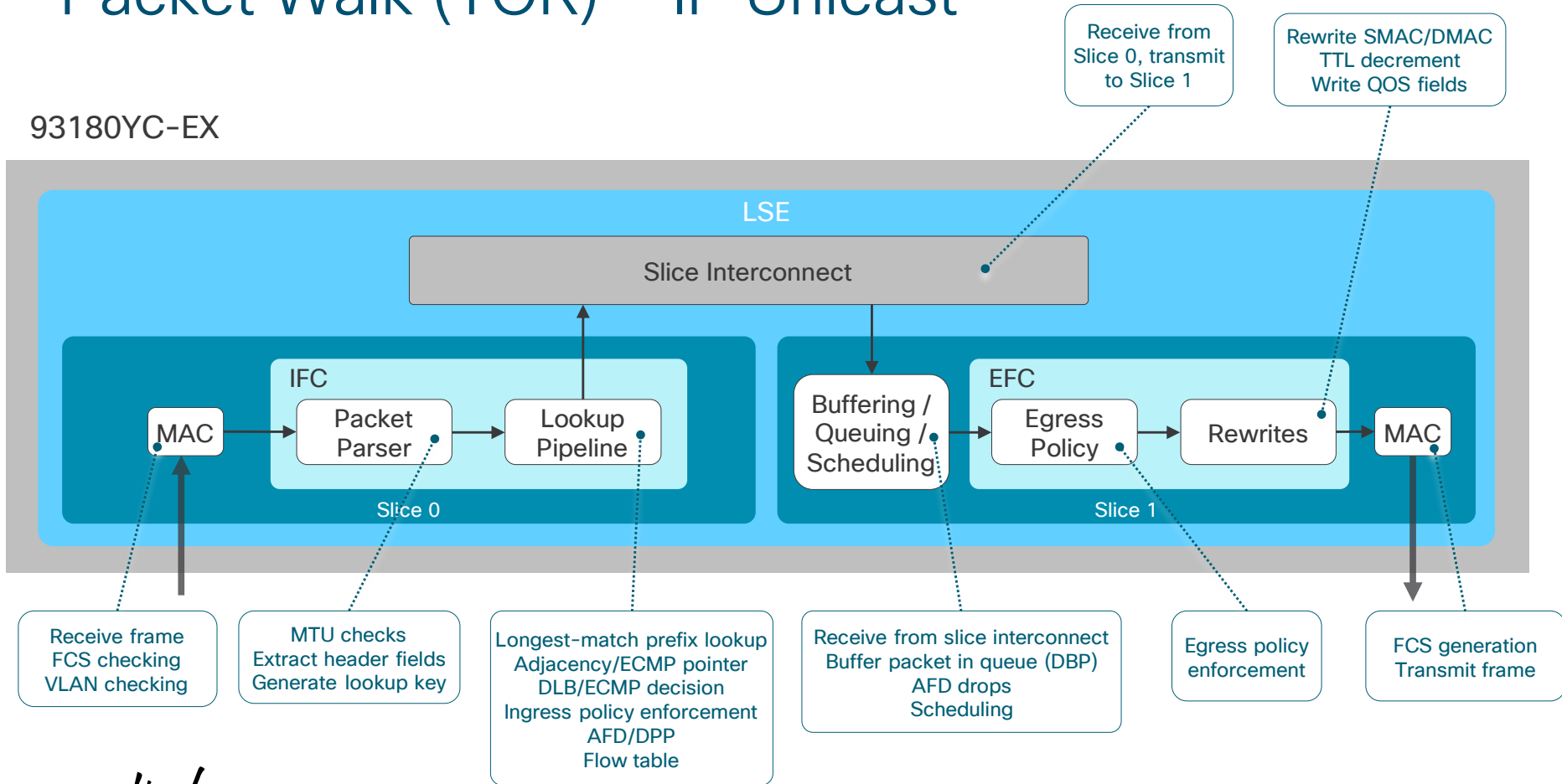


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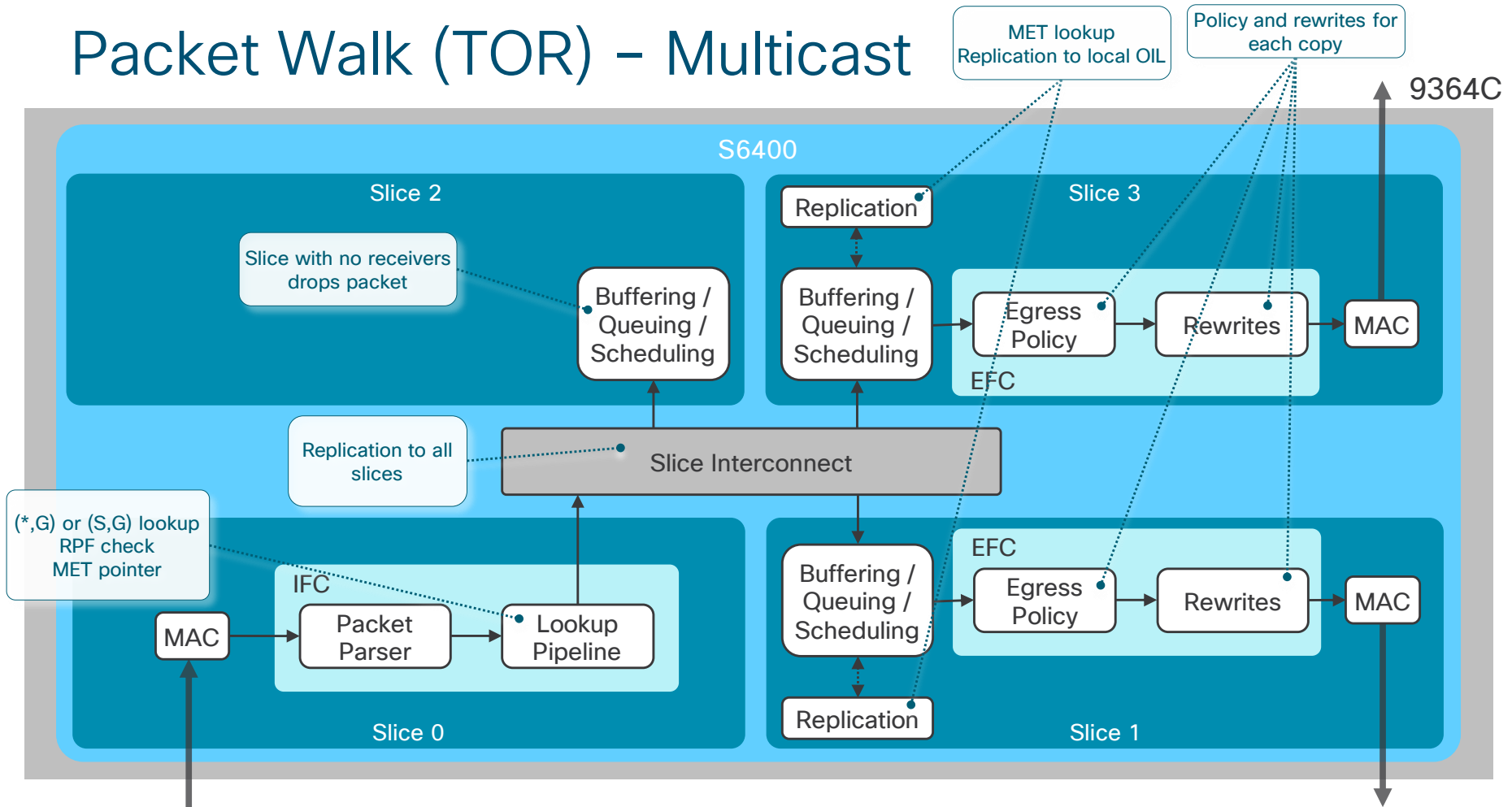
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Packet Walk (TOR) – IP Unicast

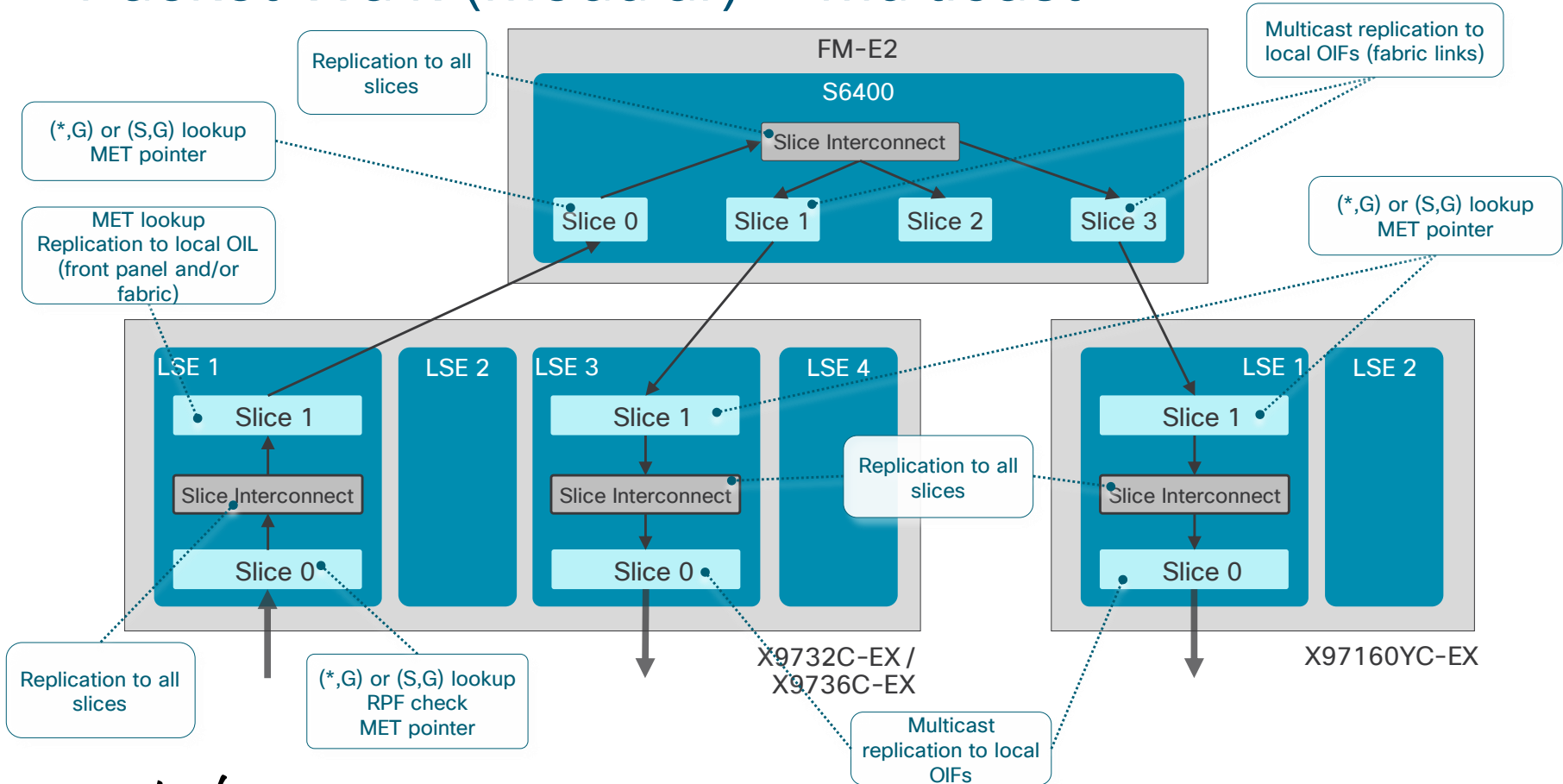
93180YC-EX



Packet Walk (TOR) – Multicast

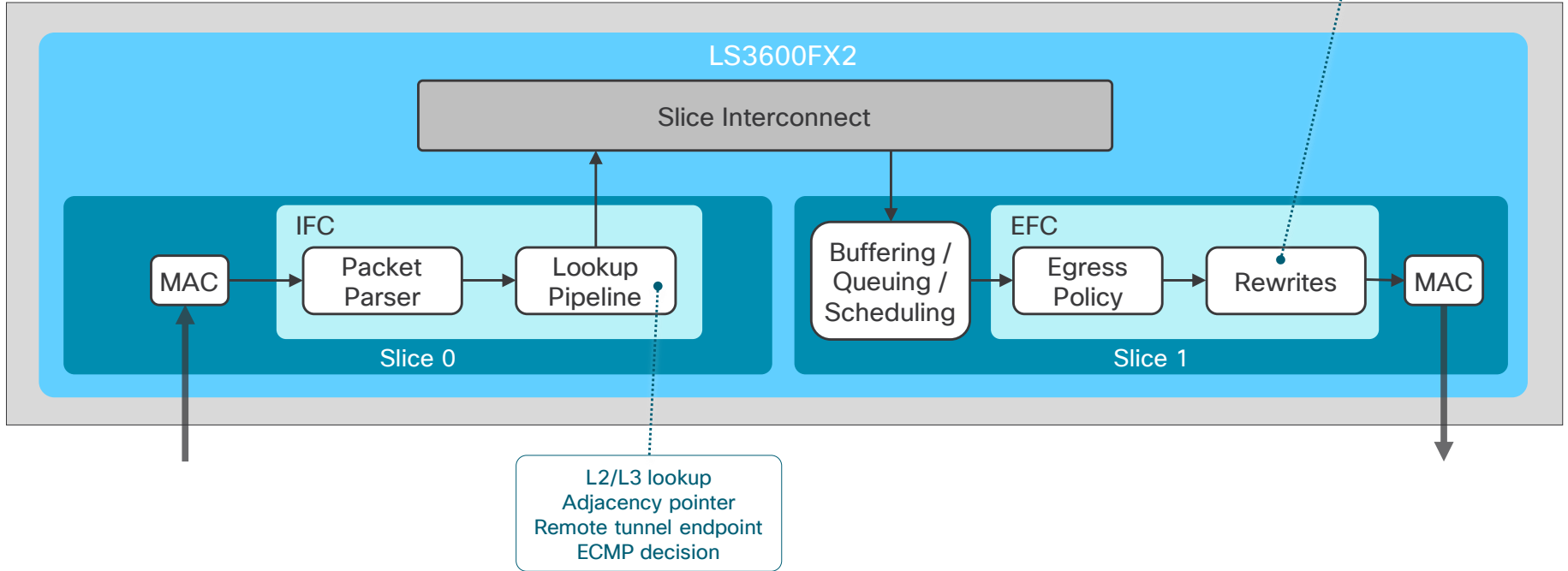


Packet Walk (Modular) – Multicast



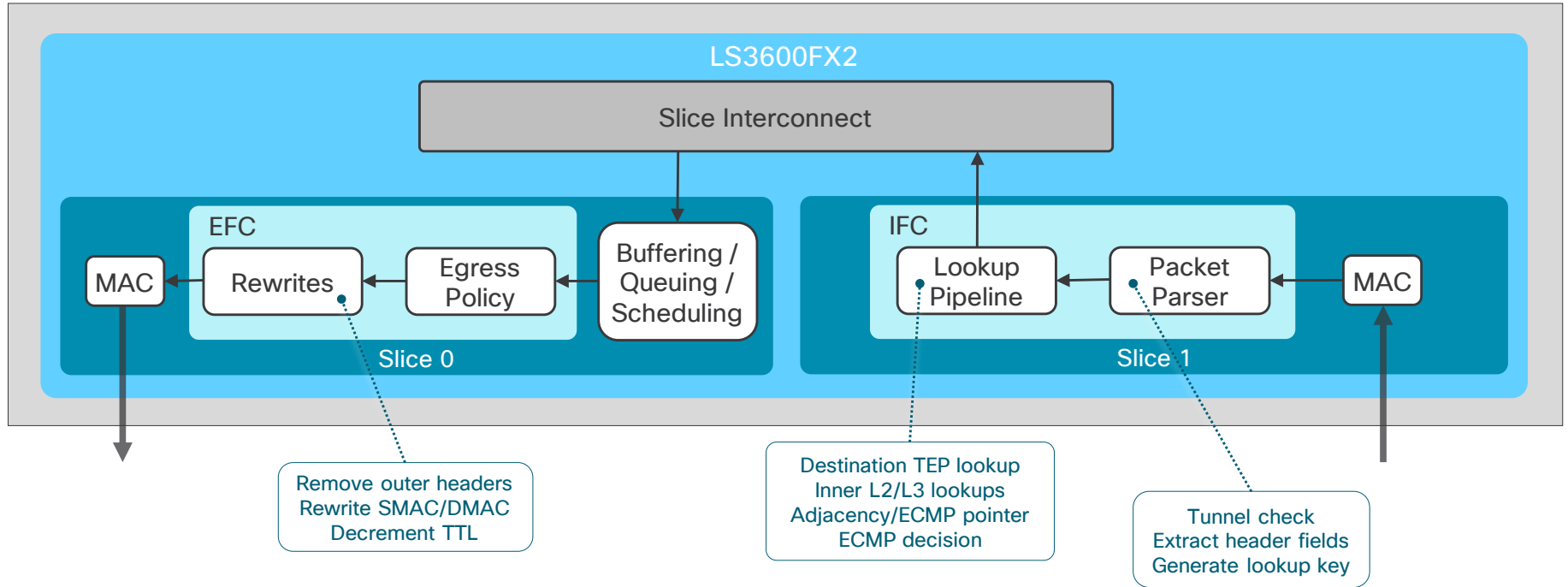
Packet Walk - VXLAN Encapsulation

9336C-FX2



Packet Walk - VXLAN Decapsulation

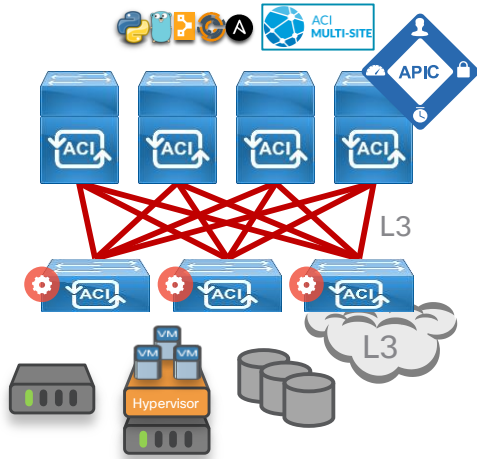
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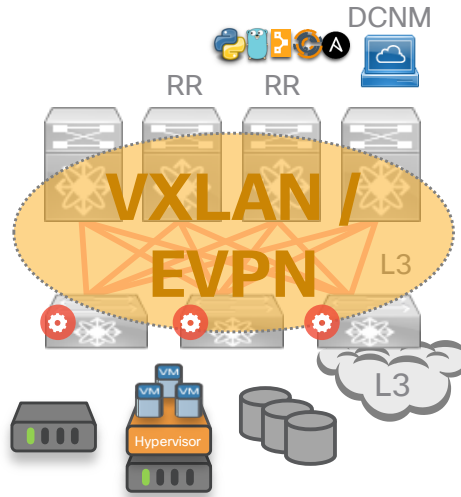
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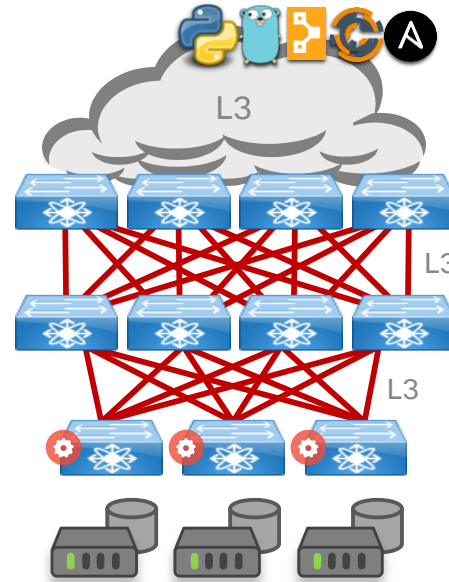
Building Data Center Fabrics with Nexus 9000



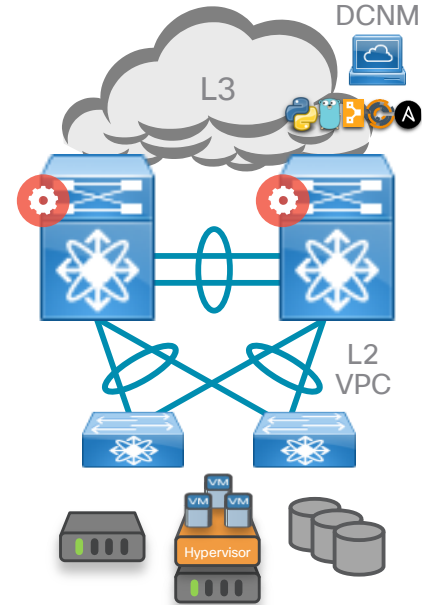
ACI - Turnkey Fabric



Standalone - Programmable Fabric with VXLAN+EVPN



Standalone - Programmable IP Network



Standalone - Traditional Data Center Network

Key Takeaways

- You should now have a thorough understanding of the Nexus 9000 Cloud Scale switching platform architecture
- Feature-rich, innovative switching platform addresses virtually every deployment scenario
- Nexus 9000 Cloud Scale platform forms foundation of Cisco Data Center strategy



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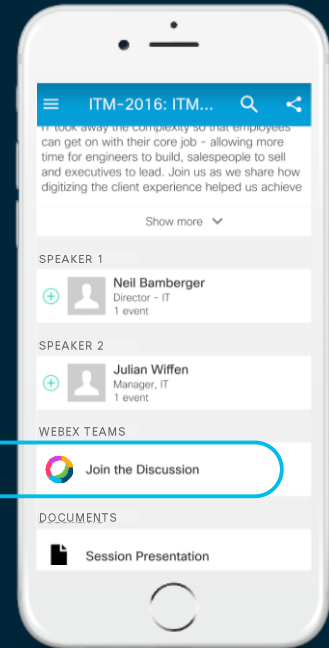
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