Challenges in considering SDN network management

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Background

- Datacenters based on SDN/NFV deployment with large scale
 Openstack K version, KVM hypervisor, vendor's controller and SDN
 forwarding nodes including SDN gateway (centralized/distributed),
 SDN TOR, VAS nodes or self-developed controller based on ODL
 - Public cloud with 2000 computing nodes with virtualized hypervisor
 - Private cloud with 3000 computing nodes including servers of virtualized hypervisor and bare-metal servers
- Changes when SDN/NFV is brought in
 - > Serval levels: underlay layer/ overlay layer & physical layer/logical layer/service layer
 - Large-scale information
 - Fault precisely located
 - Topology display
 - Auto-configuration and Auto-management
 - OAM considering new encapsulation technology such as VxLAN/NSH...

Challenge in the management architecture

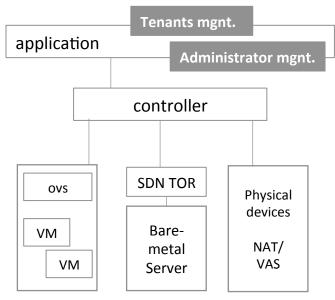
- Network management is deployed on the application layer for management information collection and network visualization.
 - > Tenant management: tenants' logical network with monitoring and detection with service awareness.
 - Administrator management: overall management of network including network monitoring, detection with log and alarm reported.

Related Openstack project

- ➤ Heat: main project in the Openstack Orchestration program for managing lifecycle of infrastructure and applications within OpenStack clouds.
- ➤ Telemetry: the project aims at data collection on the utilization of physical and virtual resources in use case of metering, monitoring, and alarming.

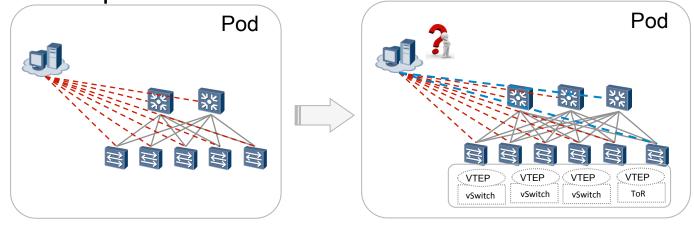
Consideration

➤ Telemetry has not been widely accepted by vendors. Similar mechanism may be realized by OAM???



Challenge in information collection

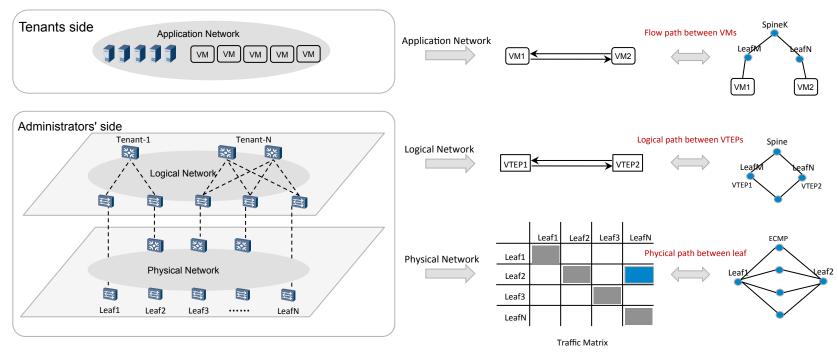
 Information collection is required to be extensible, standard and with high performance from devices to the information collection platform.



- Extensible: Network is scale-out with thousands of computing nodes and ten thousands of virtual machines, especially docker included.
- ➤ Standard: Management information and technology are not well defined or formatted in some of devices including vtep, controller, VAS devices and multi-level networks.
- ➤ High performance: Management platform needs to be with high performance.

Challenge in multiple layer topology display

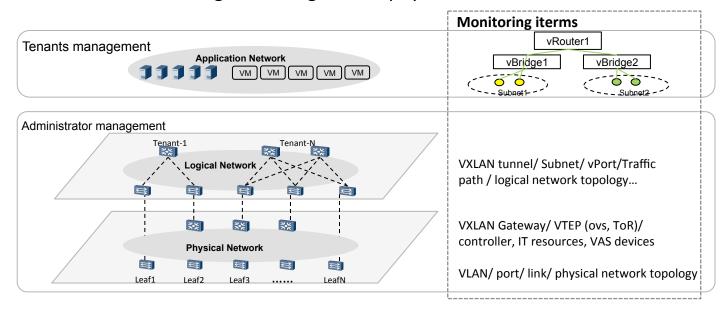
 Topology should be displayed dynamically in tenants' side and administrator' side.



- Consideration:
 - > Application network should be mapping with logical network and finally mapping with physical network.

Challenge in network monitoring

- Several levels of monitoring:
 - > Tenants management: Application network
 - > Administrator management: logical and physical network



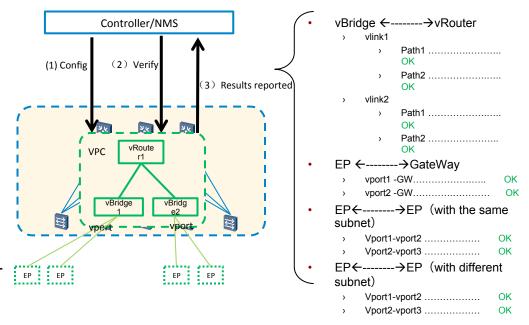
• Consideration:

➤ Physical network can be monitored by traditional mechanism, while there are some mechanism for the application network and logical network monitoring???

Challenge in E2E detection and precise fault location

Items in detection:

- Detection in the application network:
 - ◆Inner VPC (Virtual private cloud) detection
 - ◆VPC and VPC detection
 - ◆Service function chain detection
- Detection in the logical network:
 - ◆VTEP-VTEP detection
 - ◆VTEP-SDN Gateway detection
- ➤ Detection in the physical network:
 - ◆Traditional detections such as ping or trace route are used as usual.



• Consideration:

- Physical network can be detected by traditional mechanism, while there are some mechanism for the application network and logical network detection???
- > Performance indicators such as packet-loss and time delay should be received in the detection
- Combined with the mapping topology, fault found out in the detection should be precisely located.

Considerations about log and alarm

- Several levels of log and alarm:
 - > Application network should be defined
 - > Logical network should be defined
 - Physical network as usual
- Log and alarm of physical network can use the traditional one, while those of the application network and logical network should be defined.

Summary and reference

- SDN network management in Cloud DC should be considered into aspects:
 - > Management architecture
 - > Information collection
 - > Topology visualization
 - Monitoring and detection requirements
 - > Fault location
 - > Log and alarm

Reference

- > OAM DT (RTGWG)
 - ◆draft-ooamdt-rtgwg-ooam-requirement-01
 - ◆ Draft-ooamdt-rtgwg-ooam-gap-analysis-02
- > SFC WG
 - ◆draft-ietf-sfc-oam-framework-01
- Lime WG
 - ◆Draft-ietf-lime-yang-oam-model-07
- > Etc.

Next step

- Further alignment with the RG charter
 - > Management principles
 - ➤ Management models
 - > Etc.
- Suggestion from the meeting participants

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