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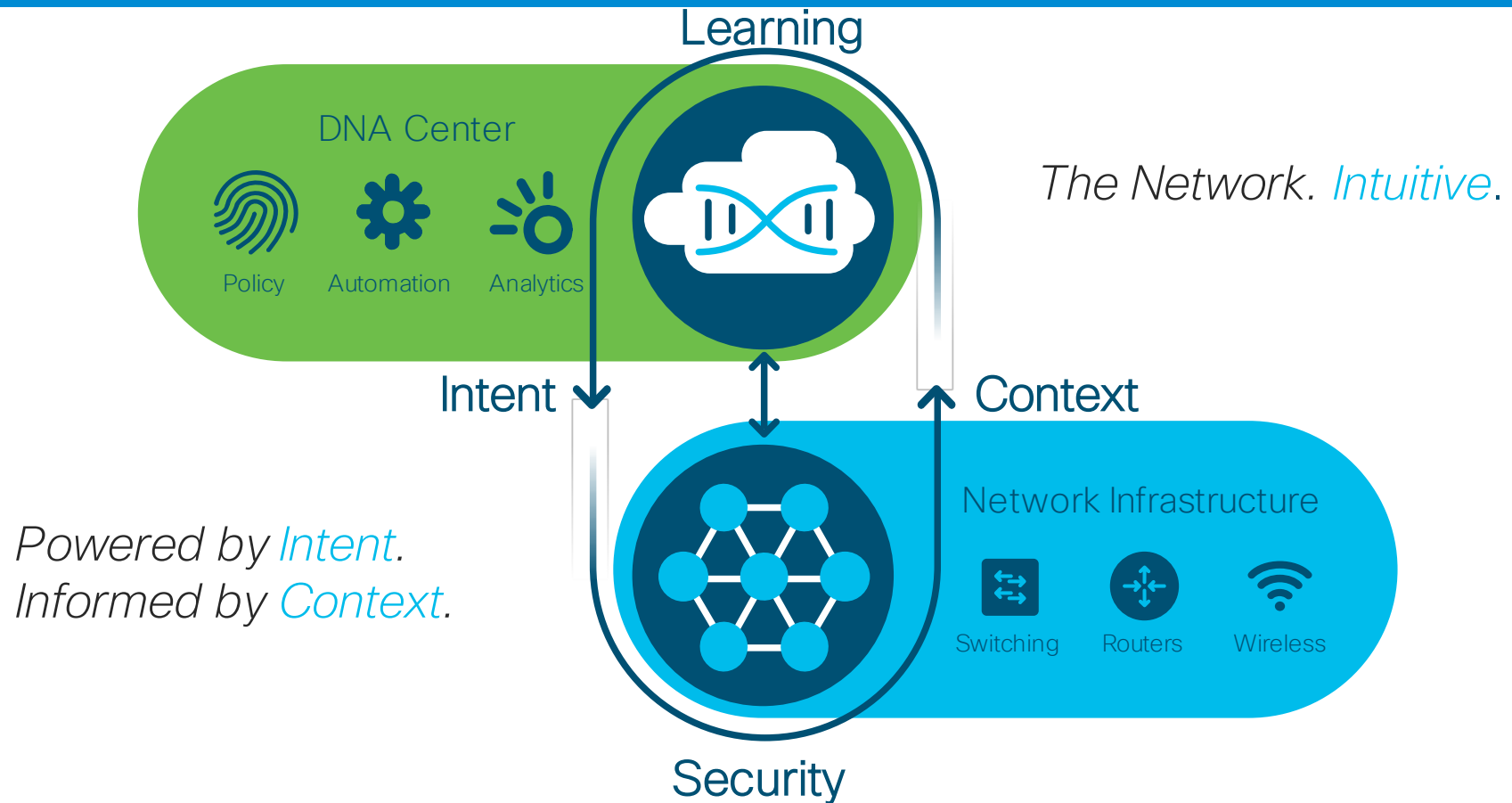


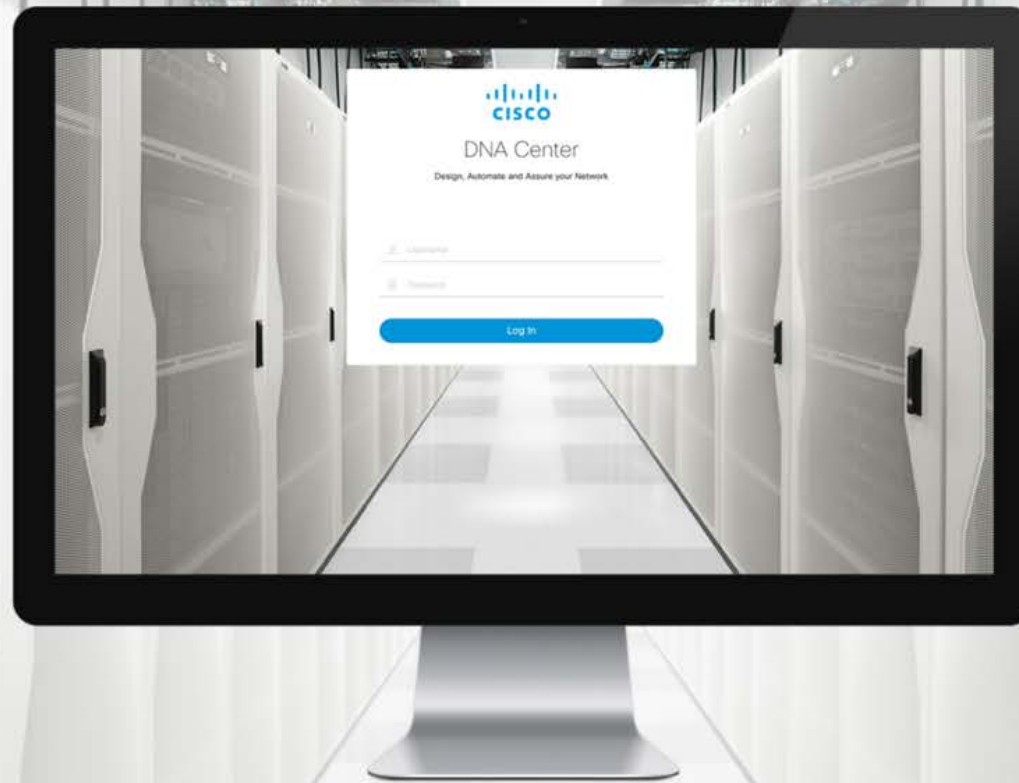
Cisco SD-Access - Connecting the Fabric to External Networks

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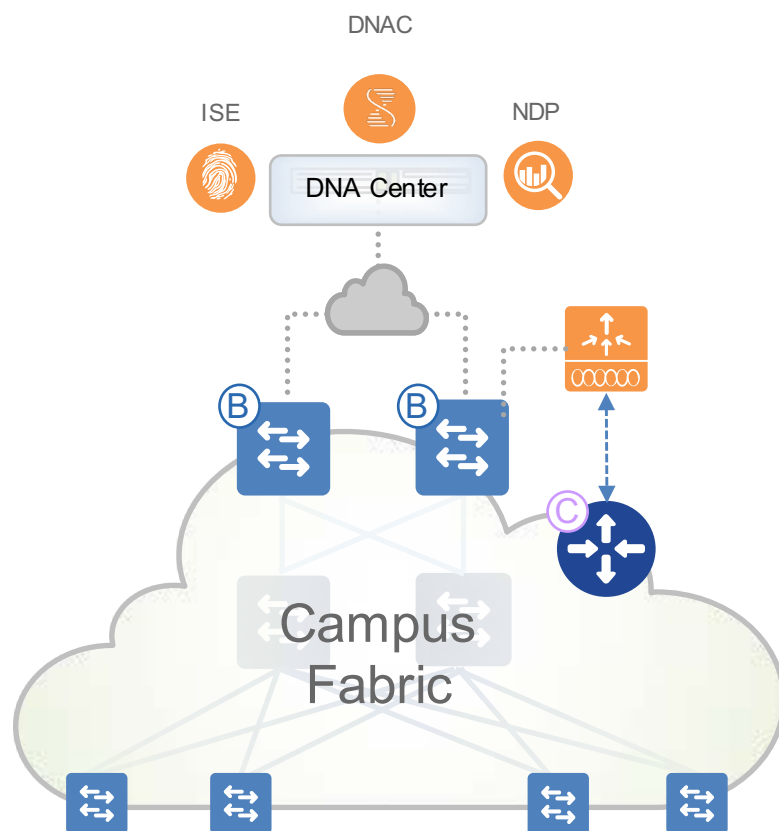




What is SD-Access?

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Campus Fabric + DNA Center (Automation & Assurance)



■ SD-Access – Available Aug 2017

GUI approach provides automation & assurance of all Fabric configuration, management and group-based policy.

Leverages DNA Center to integrate external Service Apps, to orchestrate your entire LAN, Wireless LAN and WAN access network.

■ Campus Fabric – Shipping Now

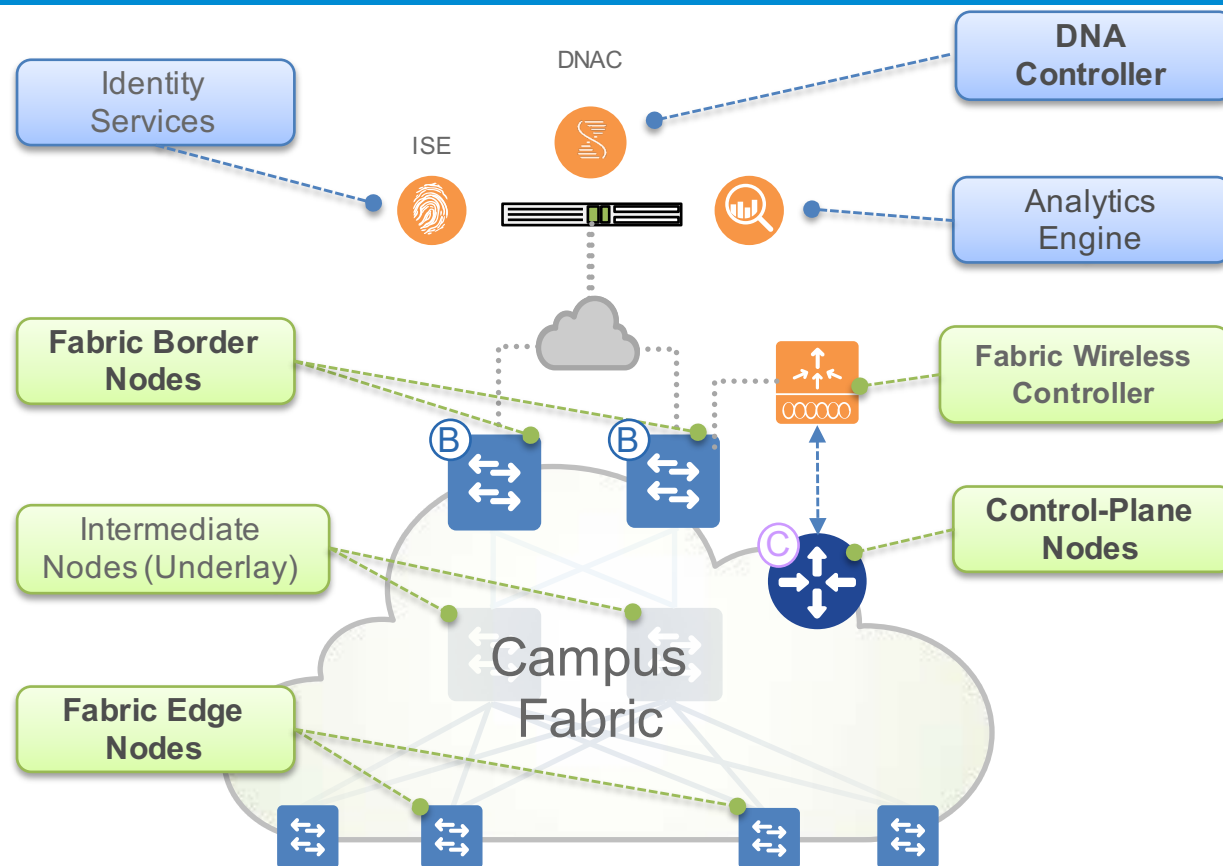
CLI or API form of the new overlay Fabric solution for your enterprise Campus access networks.

CLI approach provides backwards compatibility and customization, Box-by-Box. API approach provides automation via NETCONF / YANG.

APIC-EM, ISE, NDP are all separate.

What is SD-Access?

Fabric Roles & Terminology



- **DNA Controller** – Enterprise SDN Controller (e.g. DNA Center) provides GUI management and abstraction via Apps that share context
- **Identity Services** – External ID System(s) (e.g. ISE) are leveraged for dynamic Endpoint to Group mapping and Policy definition
- **Analytics Engine** – External Data Collector(s) (e.g. NDP) are leveraged to analyze Endpoint to App flows and monitor fabric status
- **Control-Plane Nodes** – Map System that manages Endpoint to Device relationships
- **Fabric Border Nodes** – A Fabric device (e.g. Core) that connects External L3 network(s) to the SDA Fabric
- **Fabric Edge Nodes** – A Fabric device (e.g. Access or Distribution) that connects Wired Endpoints to the SDA Fabric
- **Fabric Wireless Controller** – A Fabric device (WLC) that connects Wireless Endpoints to the SDA Fabric

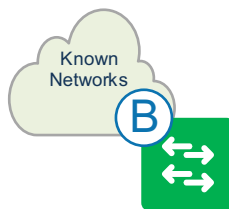
SDA Fabric Border Functionality

What do customers need to know about the Fabric Border?

SD-Access Border

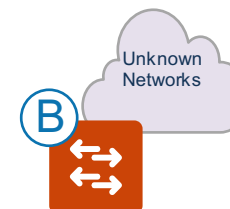
Border Nodes – Border and Default Border

Border



- Connects the Campus Fabric to **Known networks**. (Use case 2.1 and 2.2)
 - part of your company network
- **Known networks are generally WAN, DC, Shared Services, etc.**
- Responsible for advertising prefixes **to (import)** and **from (export)** the local fabric and external domain.

Default Border



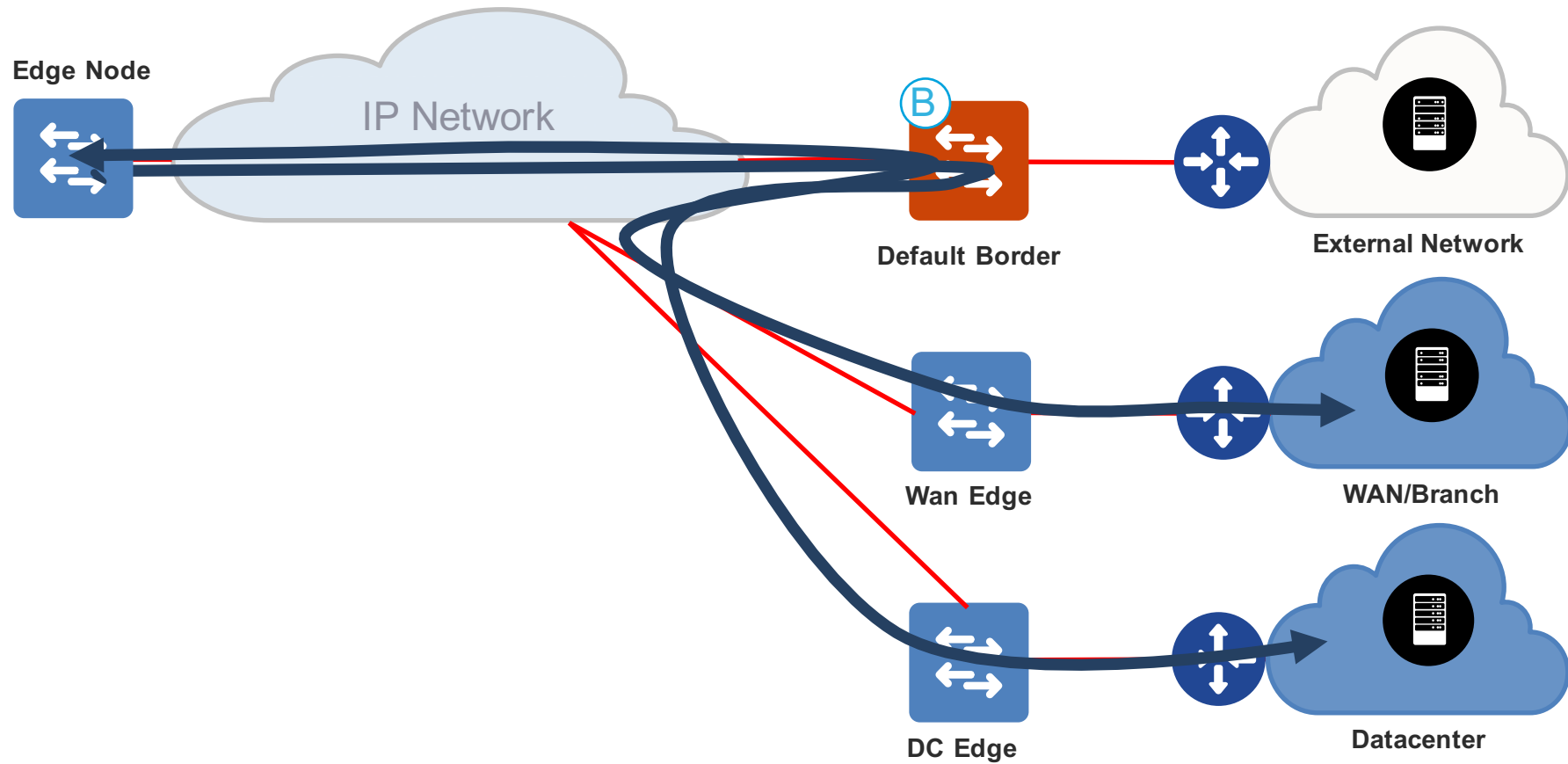
- Connects the Campus Fabric to **Un-Known networks** (Use case 1)
 - not part of the company network
- **Un-known networks are generally the Internet and/or Public Cloud.**
- Responsible for advertising prefixes **only from (export)** the local fabric to external domain.

Why Border Vs Default Border

SD-Access Fabric

Why Border vs Default Border?

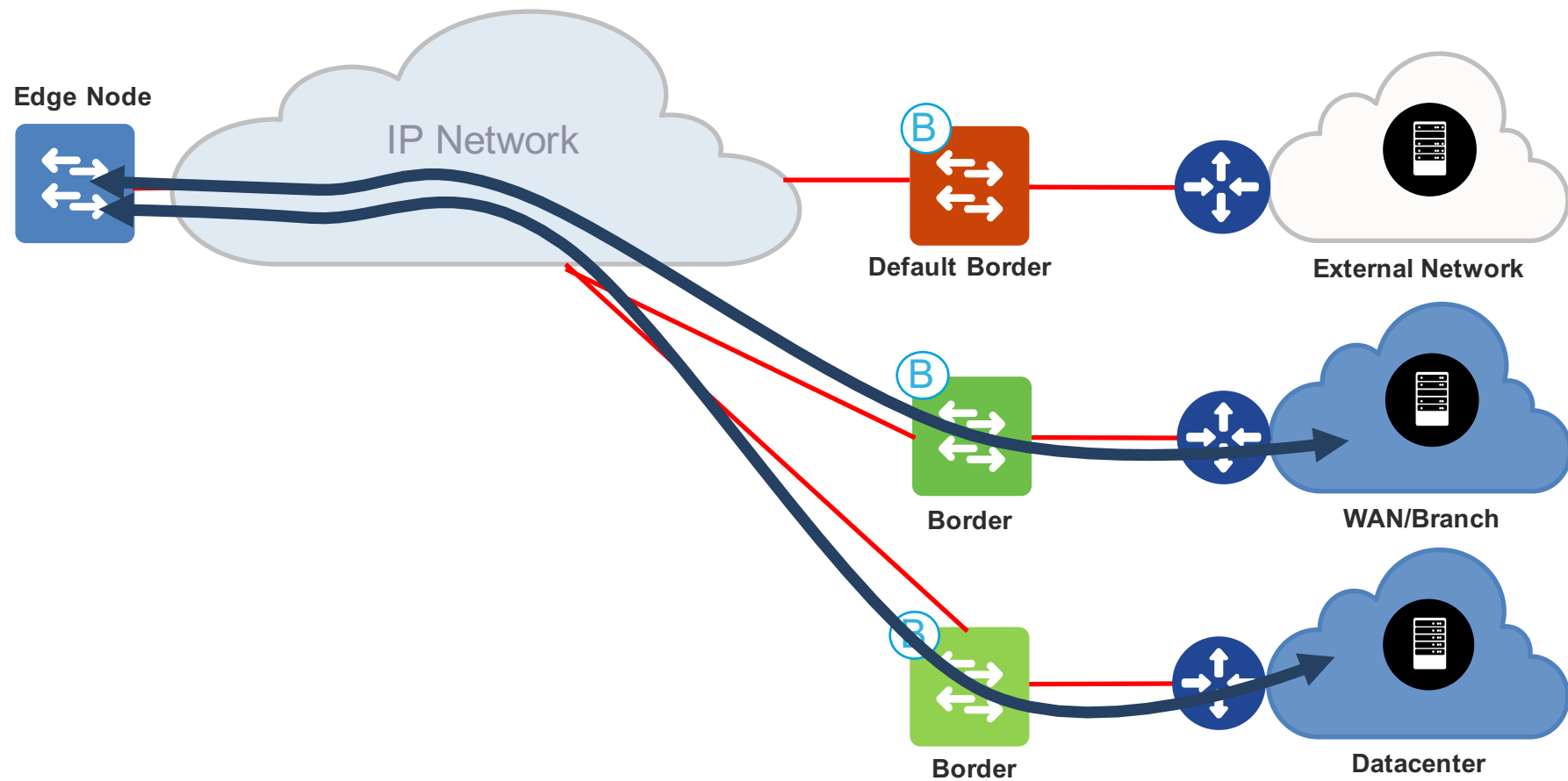
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SD-Access Fabric

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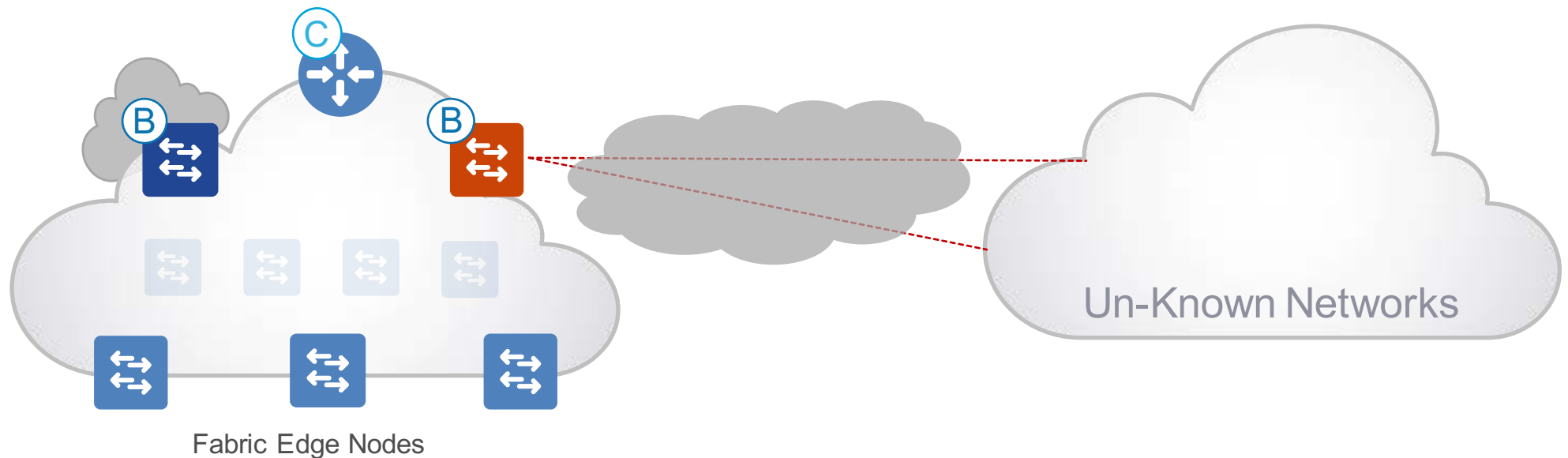
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SD-Access Border Deployment Options

Use Case 1 : SDA fabric Connecting to Unknown Networks

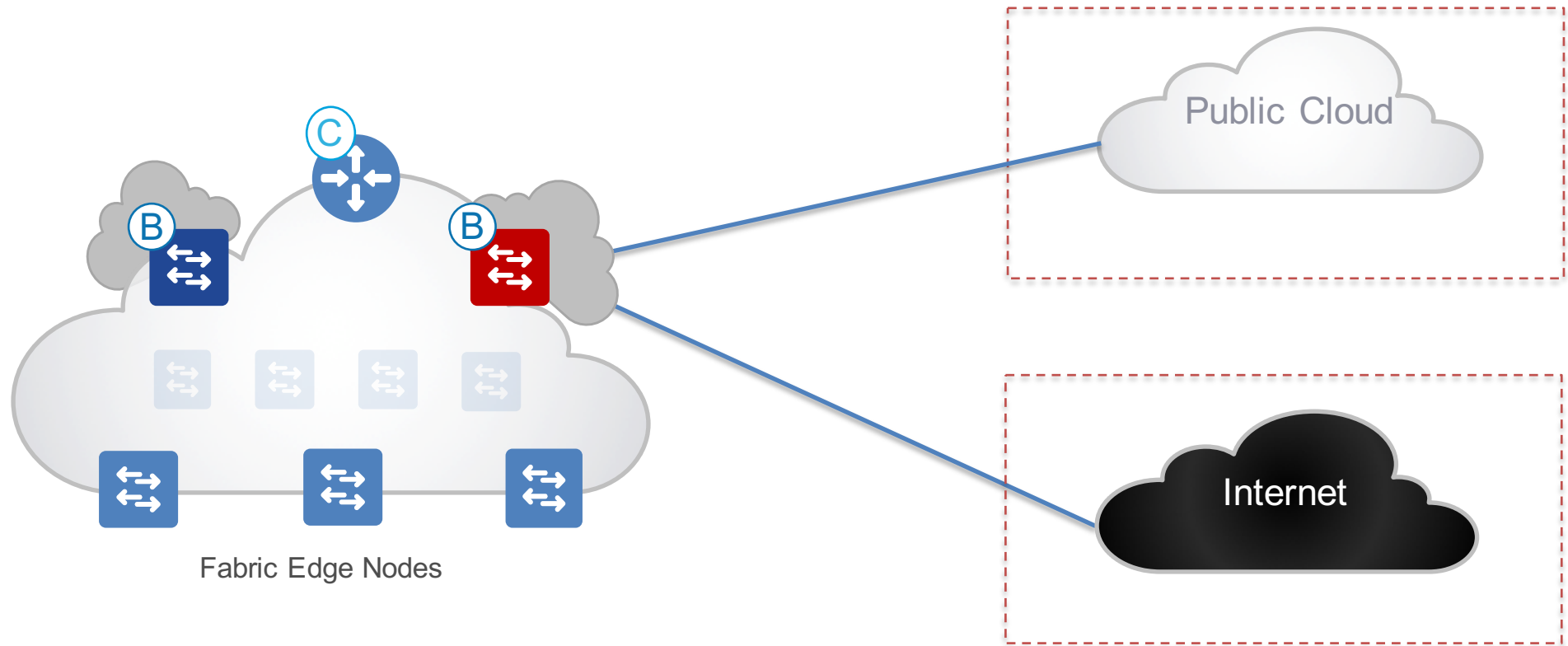
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SD-Access Border Deployment Options

Use Case 1: SDA fabric Connecting to Unknown Networks – A Closer Look

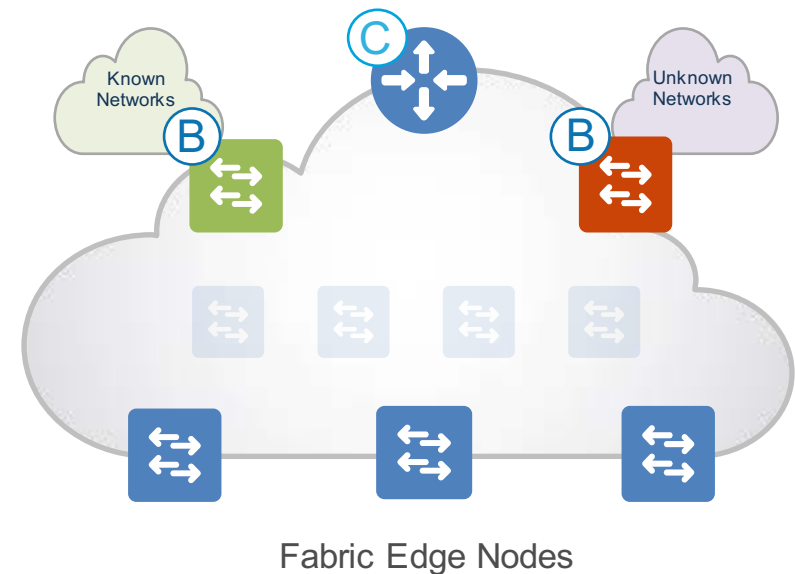
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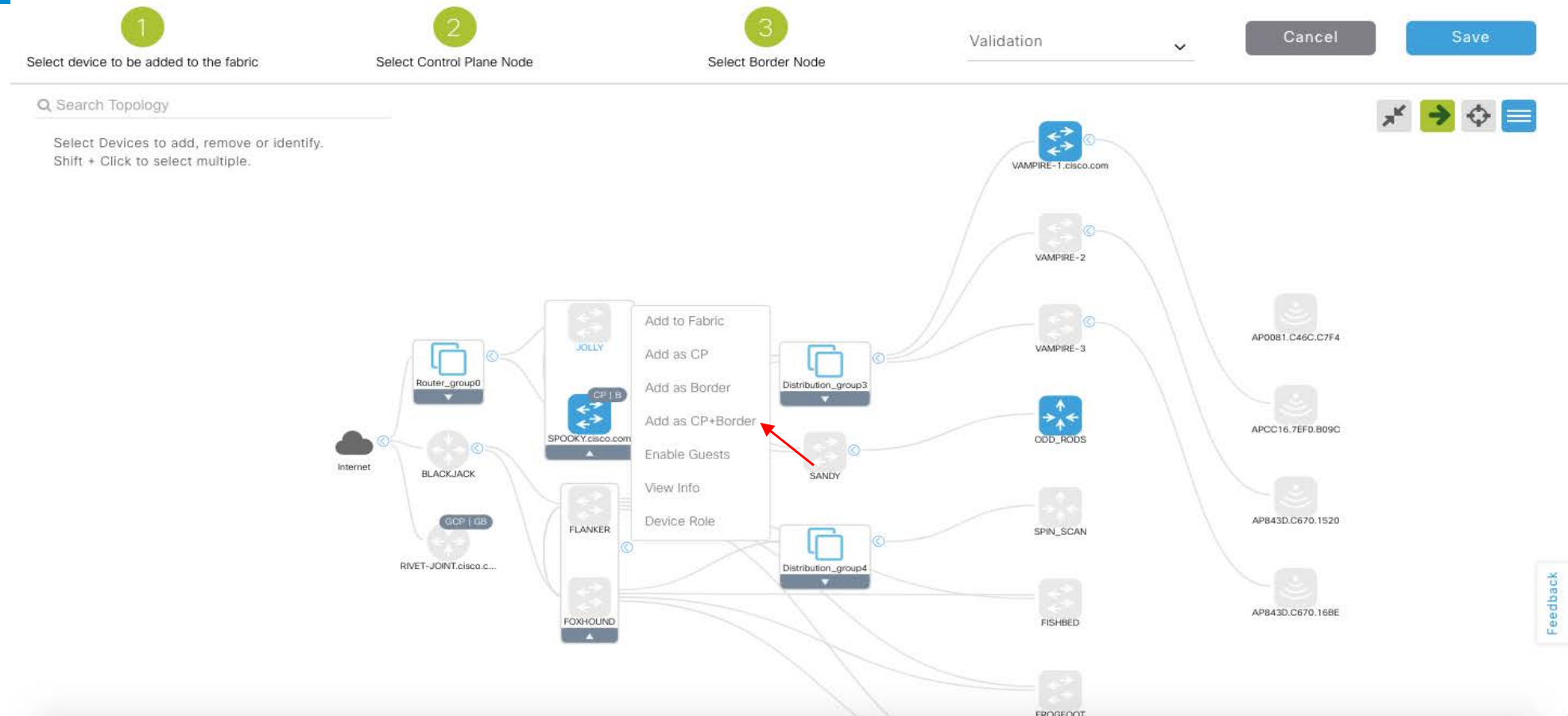
- **Default Border** is a “Gateway of Last Resort” for unknown destinations
- Connects to any “unknown” IP prefixes (e.g. Internet, Public Cloud, 3rd Party, etc.)
- Exports all internal IP Pools outside (as aggregate) into traditional IP routing protocol(s).
- Default Border is a “default” domain exit point, if no other (specific) entry present in Map System.
- Outside hand-off requires mapping the prefix context (VRF & SGT) from one domain to another.



SD-Access Border Deployment Options

Use Case 1 : SDA fabric Connecting to Unknown Networks – Automation

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Select Control Plane Node

3

Select Border Node

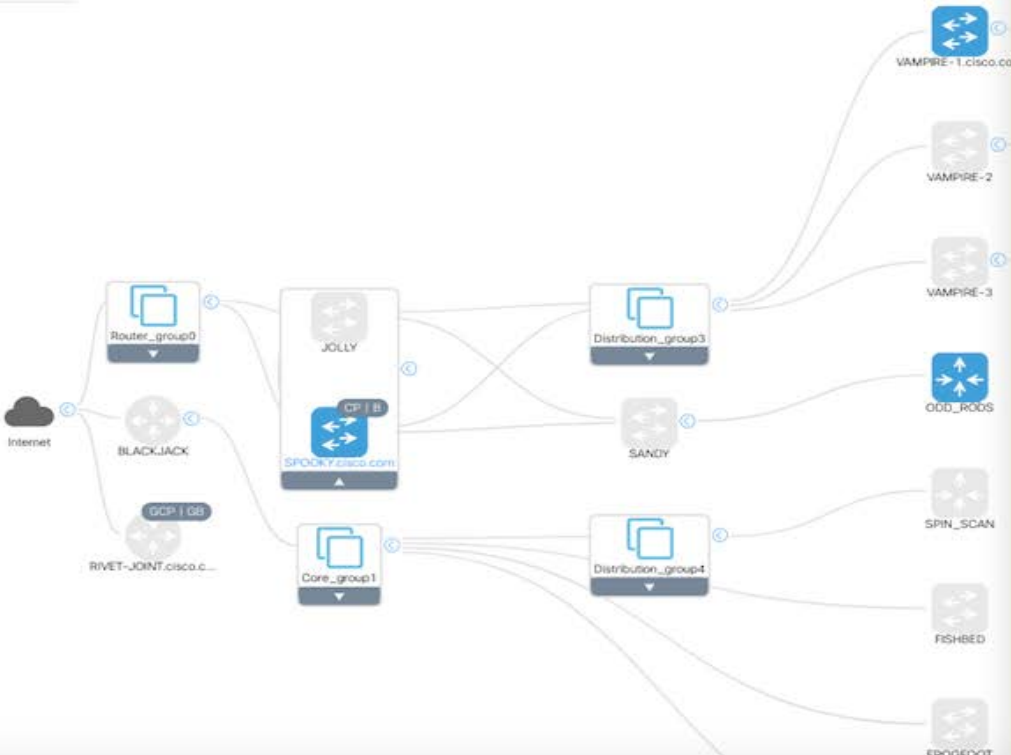
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Border to

☐ Rest of Company (Internal)

☐ Outside World (External)

☒ Anywhere (Internal & External)

BGP

Local AS Number

65001

Border Handoff

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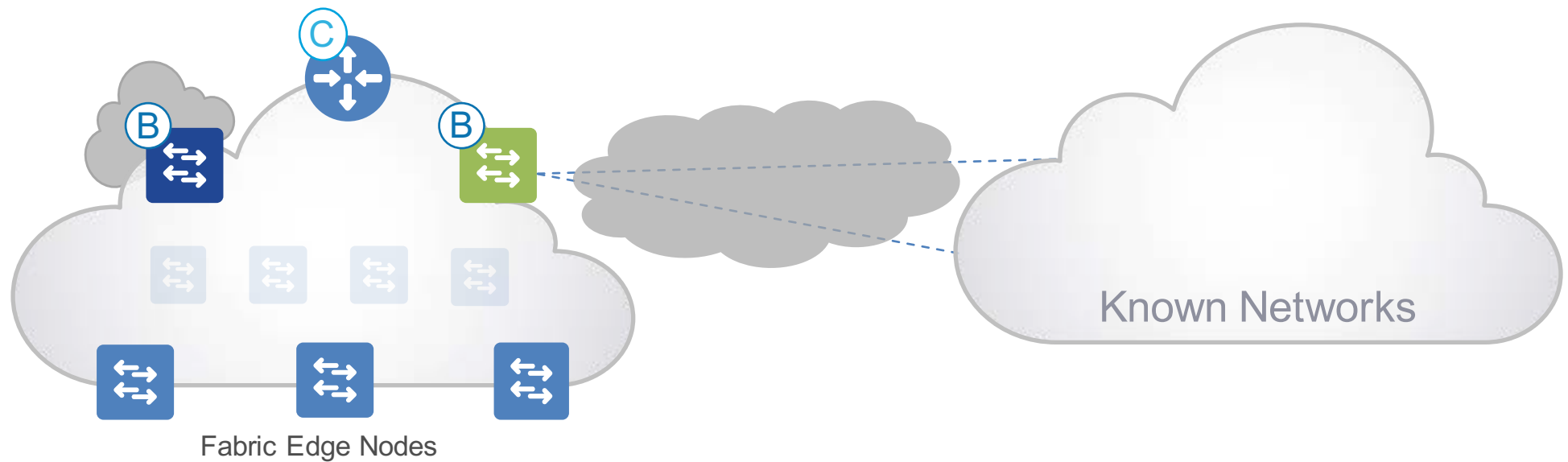
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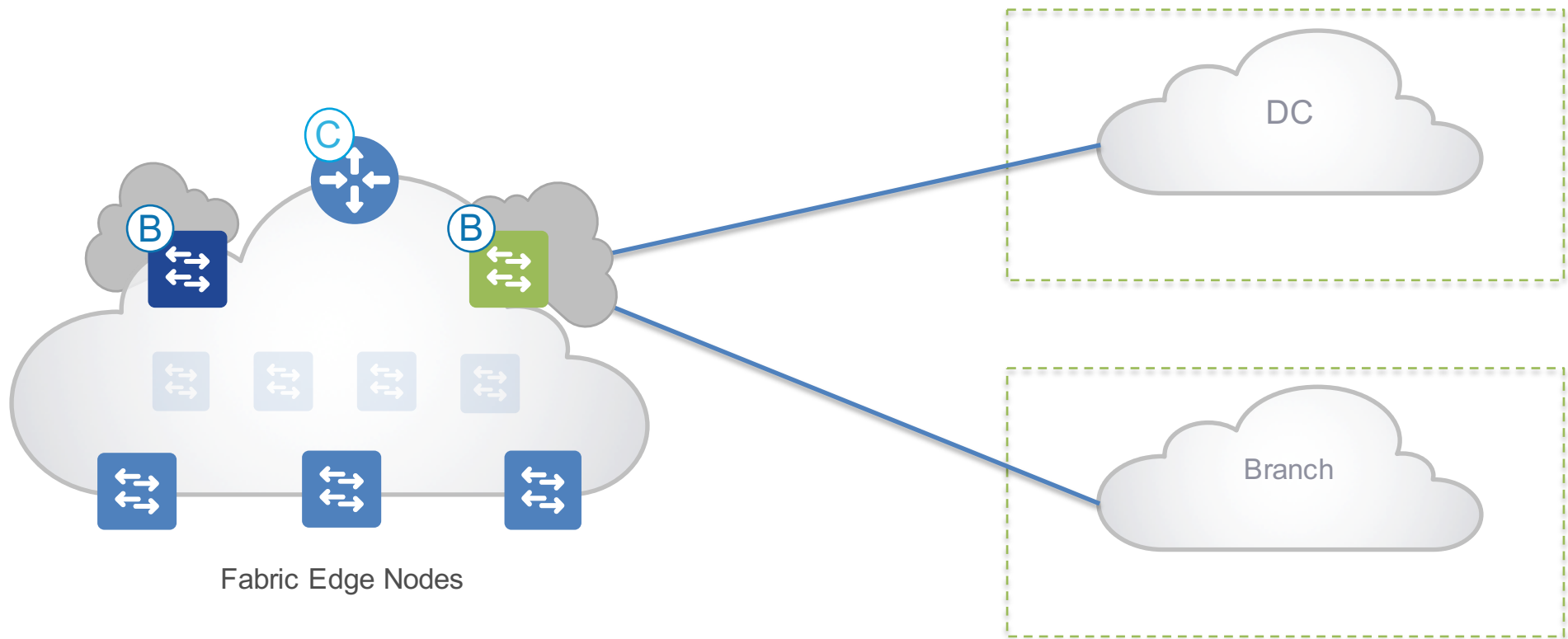
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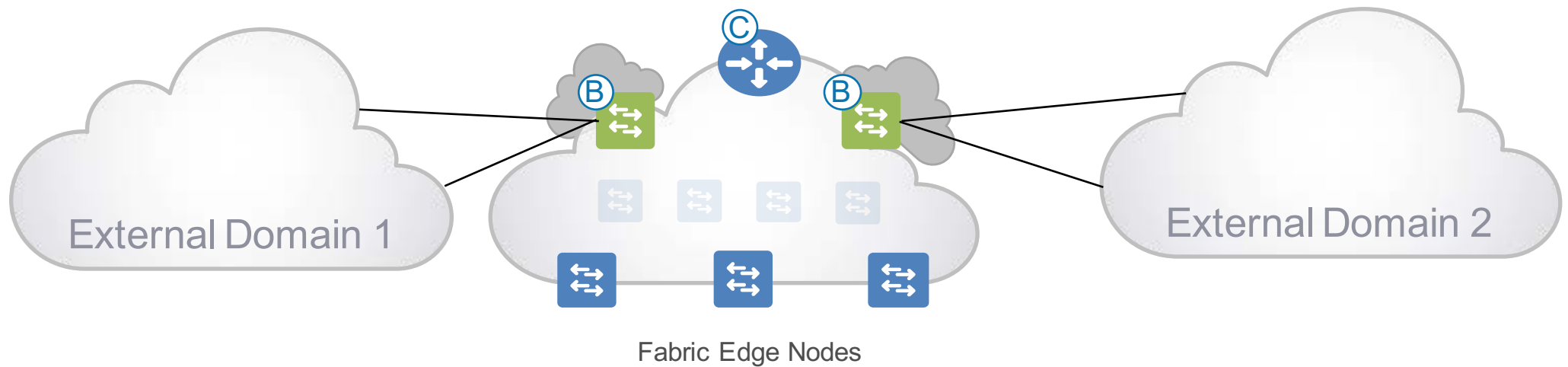
Use Case 2.1 : SDA fabric Connecting to known Networks – A Closer Look



SD-Access Border Deployment Options

Use Case 2.2 : SDA fabric as a Transit Network

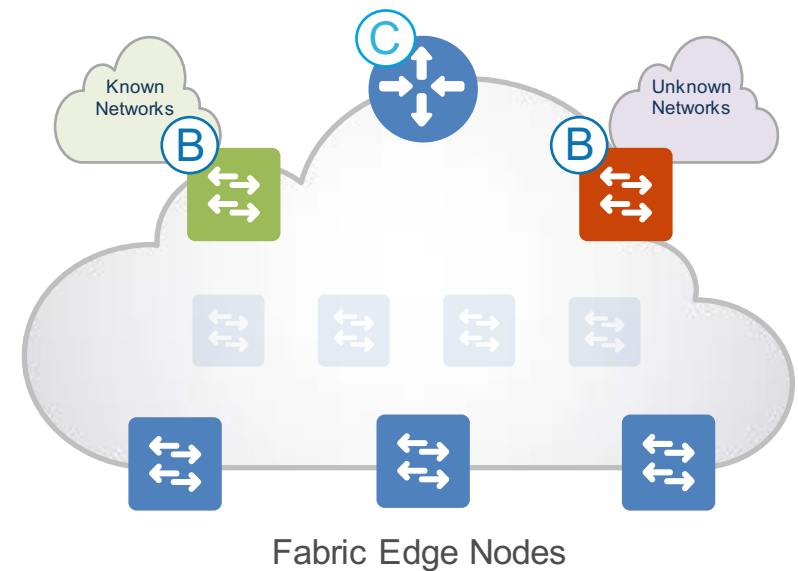
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Use Case 2 : SDA fabric Connecting to known Networks

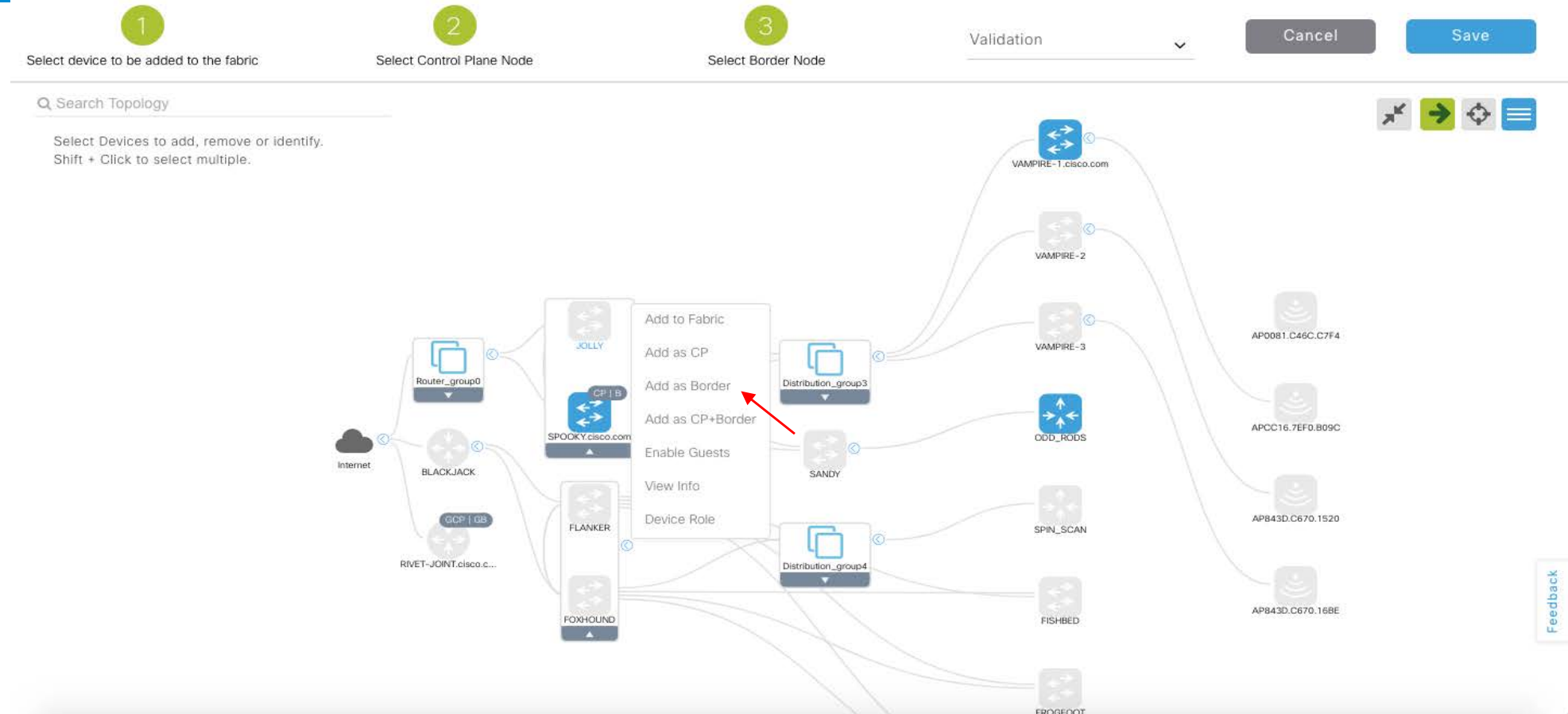
- **Border**
 - Connects to any “known” IP subnets attached to the outside network (e.g. DC, WLC, FW, etc.)
 - Exports all internal IP Pools to outside (as aggregate), using a traditional IP routing protocol(s).
 - Imports and registers (known) IP subnets from outside, into the Fabric Control Plane System
 - Outside hand-off requires mapping the prefix context (VRF & SGT) from one domain to another.



SD-Access Border Deployment Options

Use Case 2 : SDA fabric Connecting to known Networks – Automation

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3 Select Border Node

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VAMPIRE-3

ODD_ROOTS

SPIN_SCAN

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BGP

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Border Handoff

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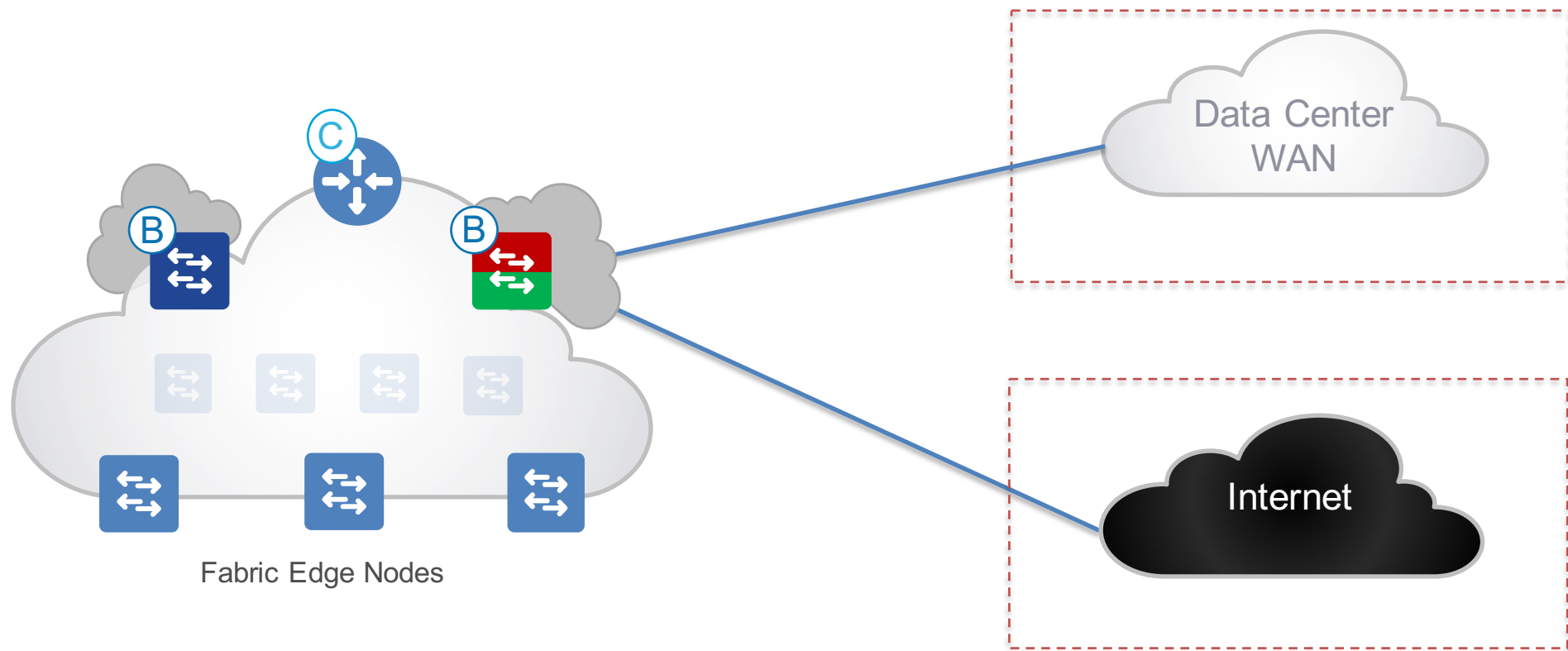
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SD-Access Border Deployment Options

Use Case 3 : SDA fabric Connecting to known and Un-known Networks

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SD-Access Border Deployment Options

Use Case 3 : SDA fabric Connecting to Everything– Automation

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Select Border Node

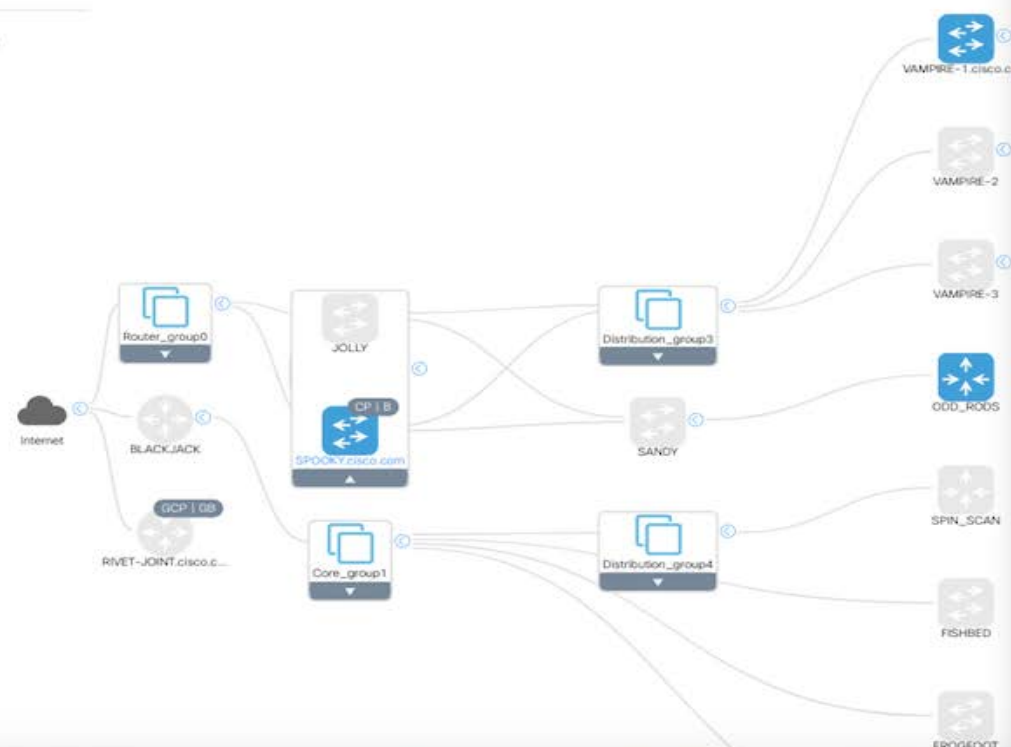
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BGP

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Border Handoff

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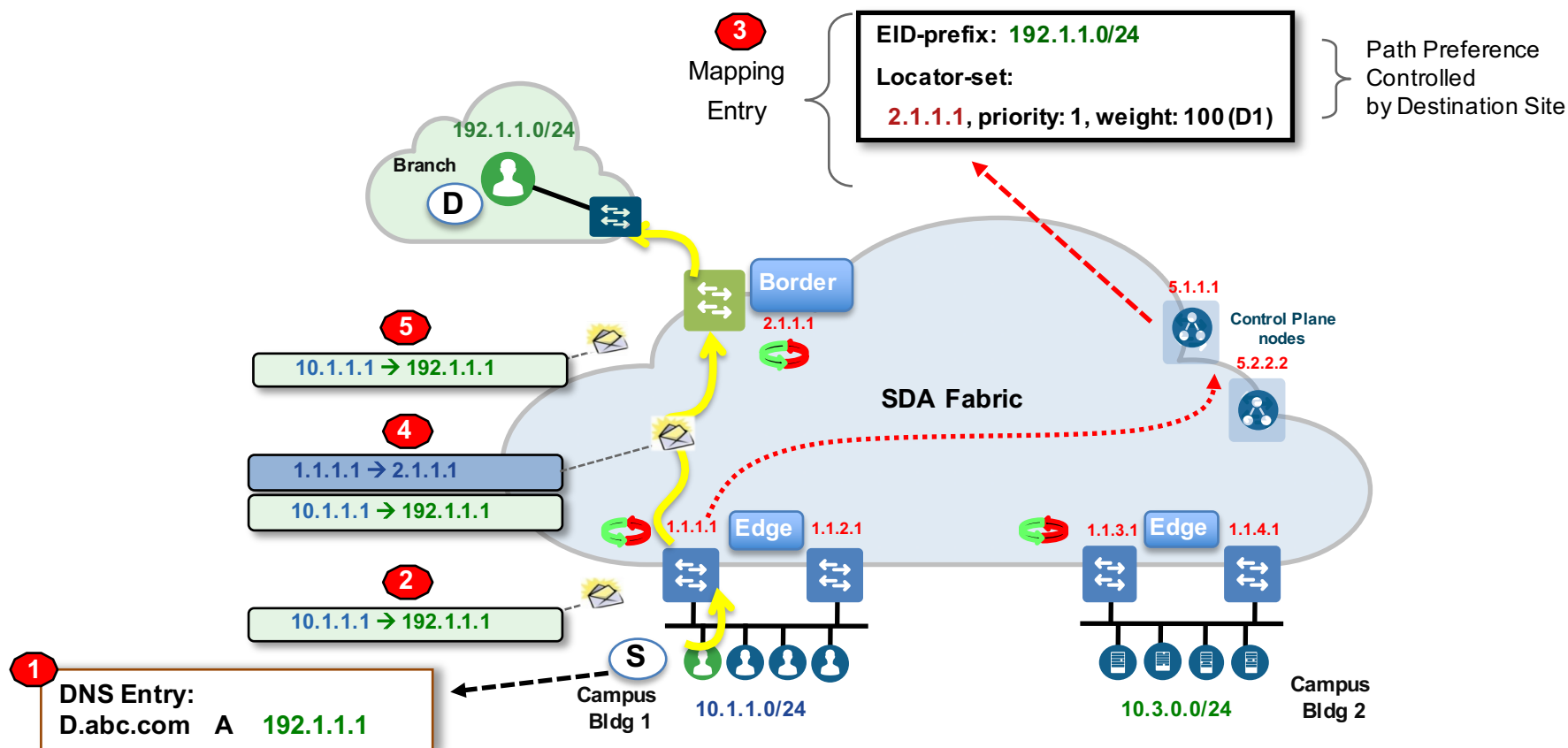
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Fabric Border (Internal)

SD-Access Border

Border - Forwarding from Fabric Domain to External Domain

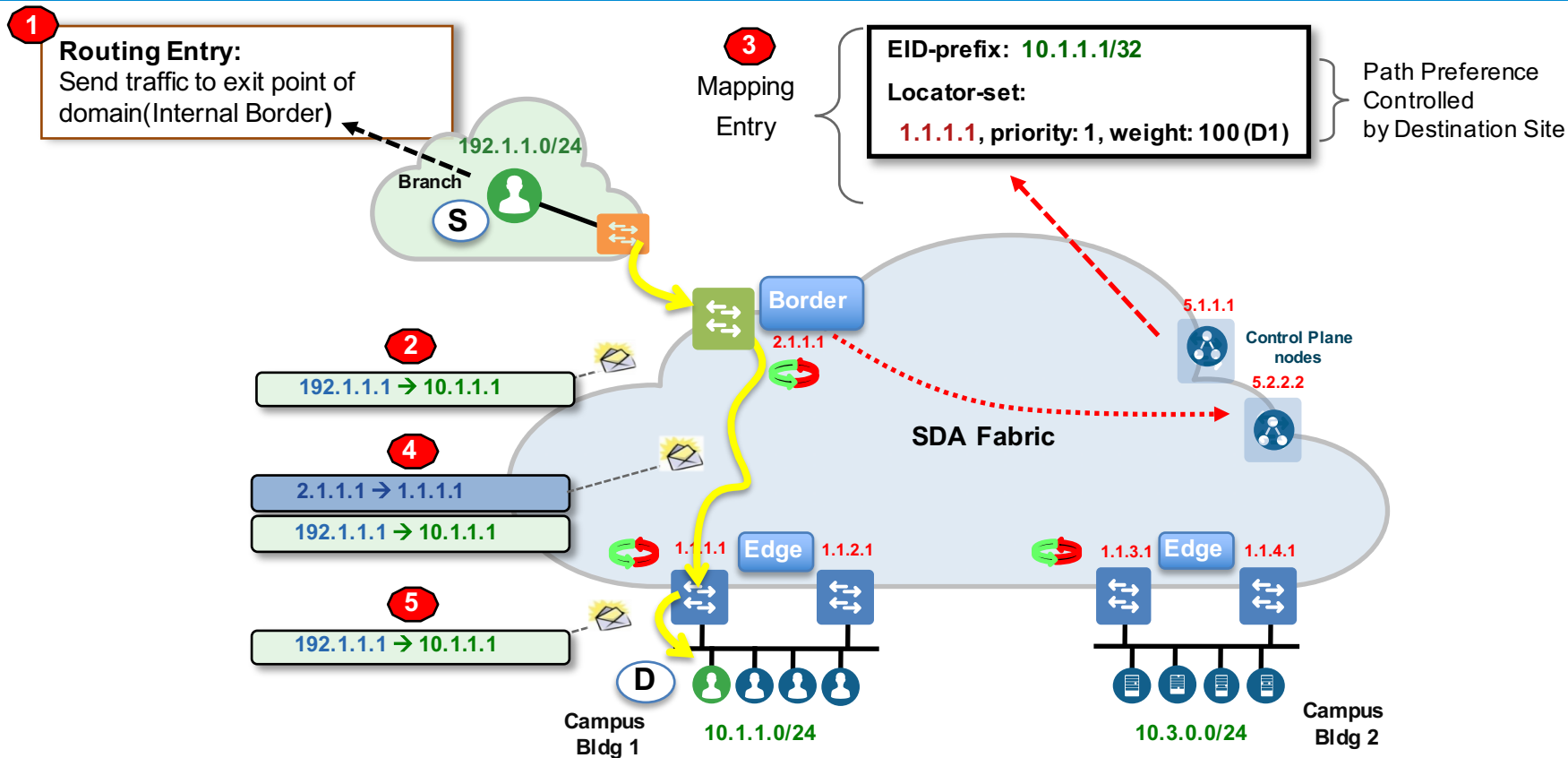
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Border - Forwarding from External Domain to Fabric Domain

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Default Border (External)

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SDA Fabric Border Design Considerations

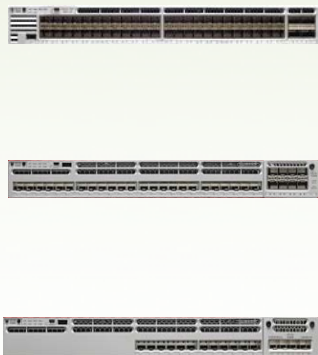
Fabric Border Platform Support and Recommendations

SD-Access – Border Node

Platform Support

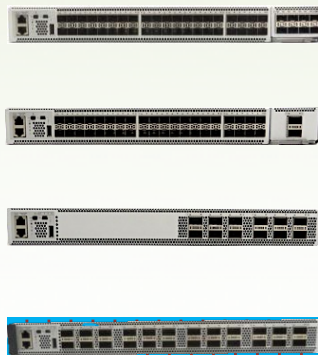
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- 1/10G SFP+
- 10/40G NM Cards
- **IOS-XE 16.6.1+**

Catalyst 9K



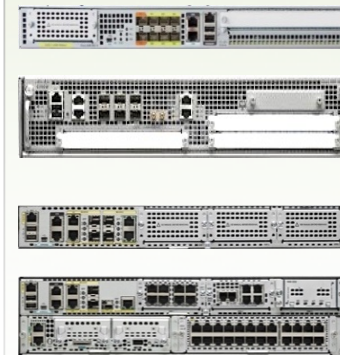
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- Catalyst 6800
- Catalyst 6500
- Sup2T/6T
- 6880-X or 6840-X
- **IOS 15.5.1SY+**

ASR1K & ISR4K



- ASR 1000-X/HX
- ISR 4451/4431
- 1/10G/40G
- **IOS-XE 16.6.1+**

Nexus 7K



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SD-Access – Border Node Scale

Platform Scale

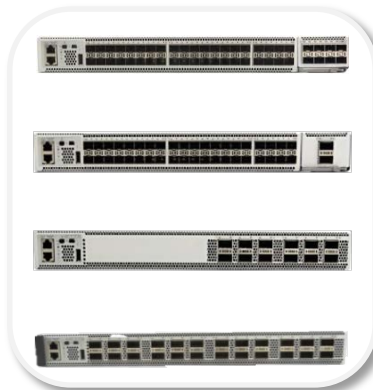
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Catalyst 3850



- Virtual Networks: 64
- SGT's in Fabric: 4K
- SGT ACL's: 1350
- Security ACL's: 3K
- IPv4 TCAM: 16K/8K

Catalyst 9500



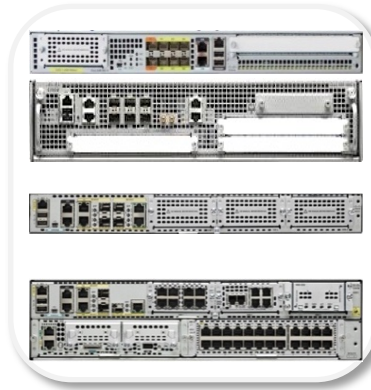
- Virtual Networks: 256
- SGT's in Fabric: 32K
- SGT ACL's: 32K
- Security ACL's: 18K
- IPv4 TCAM: 96K/48K

Catalyst 6K



- Virtual Networks: 512
- SGT's in Fabric: 30K
- SGT ACL's: 30K
- Security ACL's: 32K
- IPv4 TCAM: 256K

ASR1K & ISR4K



- Virtual Networks: 4K
- SGT's in Fabric: 64K
- SGT ACL's: 64K
- Security ACL's: 4K
- IPv4 TCAM: 1M

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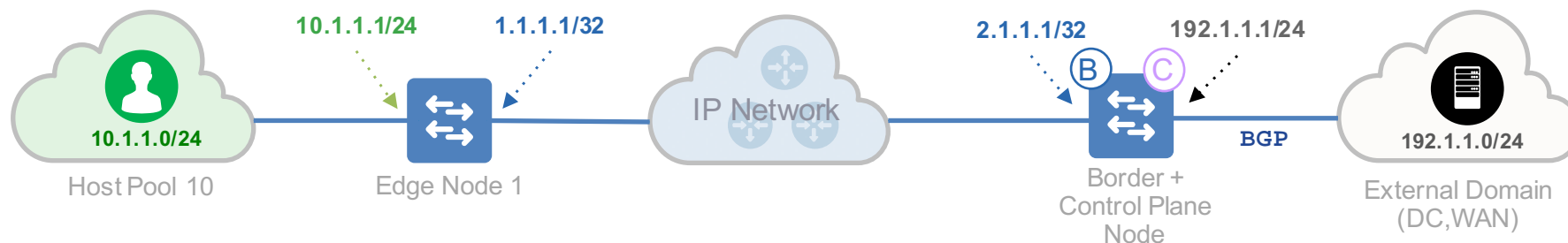
- Virtual Networks: 500
- SGT's in Fabric: 64K
- SGT ACL's: 64K
- Security ACL's: 128K
- IPv4 TCAM: 1M

- Numbers listed are HW scale limits , SW numbers might be different

Fabric Border Design Options

Border Design Options

Use case 1: Border with Collocated Control Plane Node

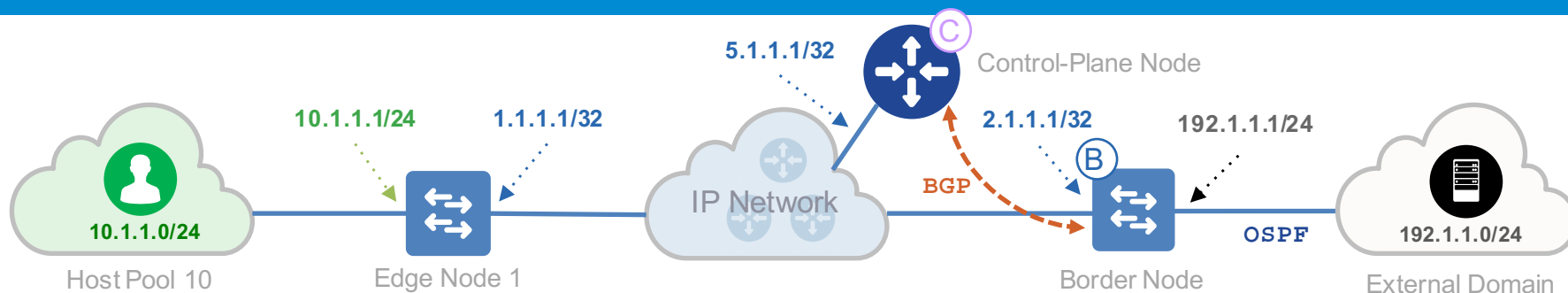


- Border node must perform export (and/or import) of routes between domains
- Control Plane node maintains the database of every prefix/subnet in the Fabric Domain
- **Simplified Design (no additional configuration)**
 - No additional routing protocols needed to synch Border & Control Plane
- **Best when only a few Border nodes are used** (e.g. 2 to 4 per Domain)

NOTE: Control Plane node scale is different on different platforms (select accordingly)

Border Design Options

Use case 2: Border with Distributed Control Plane Node



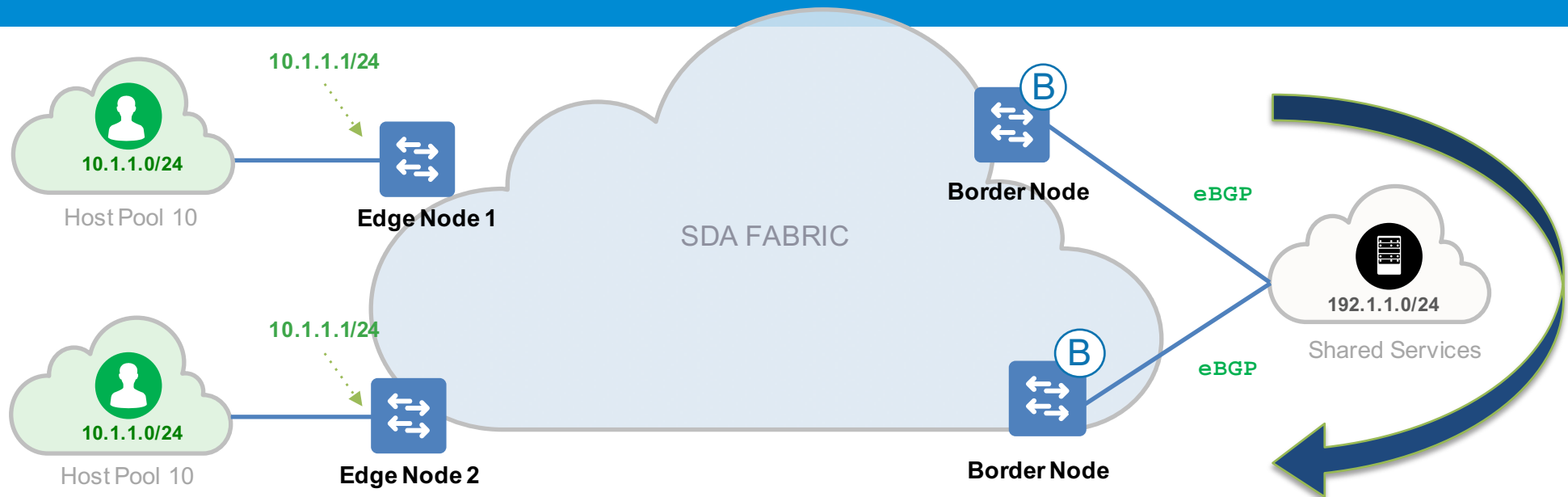
- **The Border node and Control plane node are *different devices***
 - Device 1 - Border node must perform export (and/or import) of routes between domains
 - Device 2 - Control Plane node maintains the database of every prefix/subnet in the Fabric Domain
- **Additional configurations are required**
 - Need additional protocol (iBGP) to share EID mapping information from Border to Control Plane node.
- **Multiple Border nodes can connect to the same Control Plane nodes** (single or set of)

NOTE: Control Plane node scale is different on different platforms (select accordingly)

Border Resiliency Options

Multiple Borders - Loop Prevention

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- **eBGP is preferred to break any loops caused by the bidirectional advertisement (redistribution) of routes** from the fabric to external domain (and vice-versa), when using multiple Internal Borders for redundancy.
 - eBGP uses AS-Path loop prevention.
- **If you are using any other protocol than eBGP, some appropriate loop prevention mechanism needs to be used** (distribute-list, prefix-list, or route tags with route-map, etc).

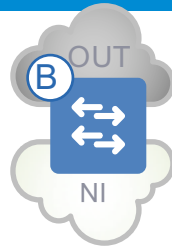
Fabric Border One Box -vs- Two Box

SD-Access Fabric

Border Nodes – One Box vs. Two Box

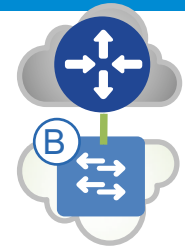
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One Box Design



- Internal and External domain routing is on the **same device**
- Simple design, without any extra configurations between the Border and outside routers
- The Border device will advertise routes to and from the Local Fabric domain to the External Domain

Two Box Design



Internal and External domain routing are on **different devices**

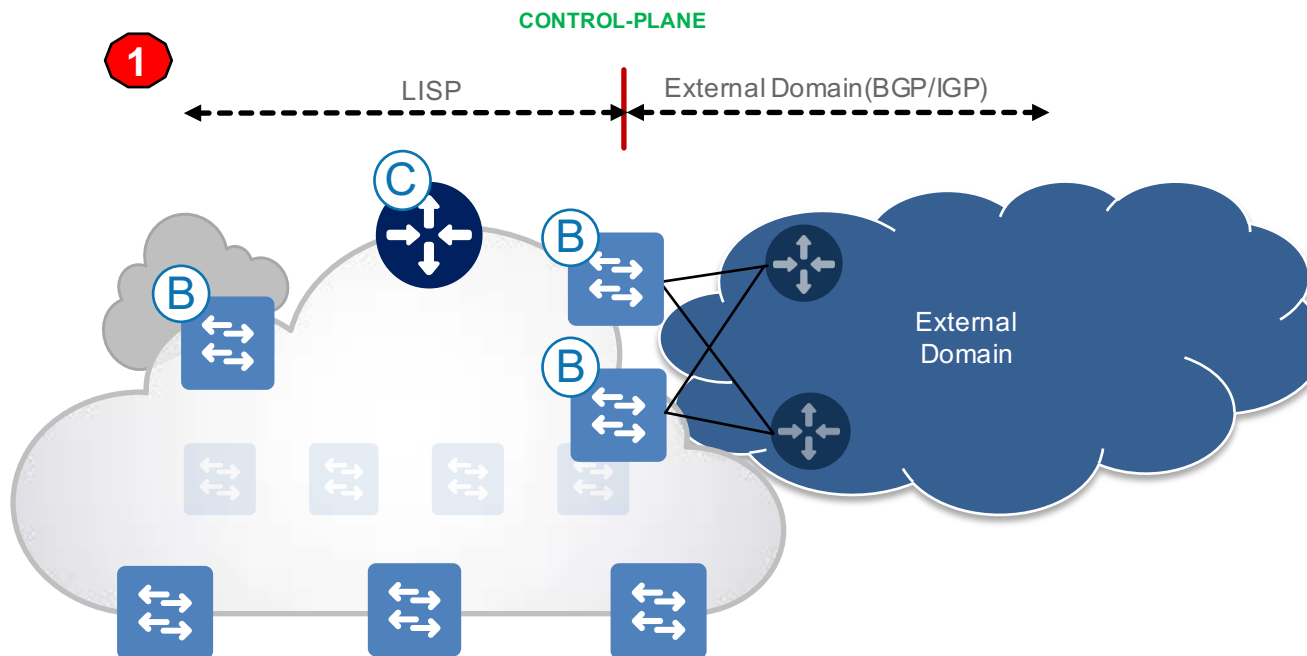
Requires two Devices with BGP in between to exchange connectivity and reachability information

This model is chosen if the Border does not support the functionality (**This can due to hardware or software support on the device**) to run the external domain on the same device (e.g. DMVPN, EVPN, etc.)

Border Design Options

One Box Border - Control Plane

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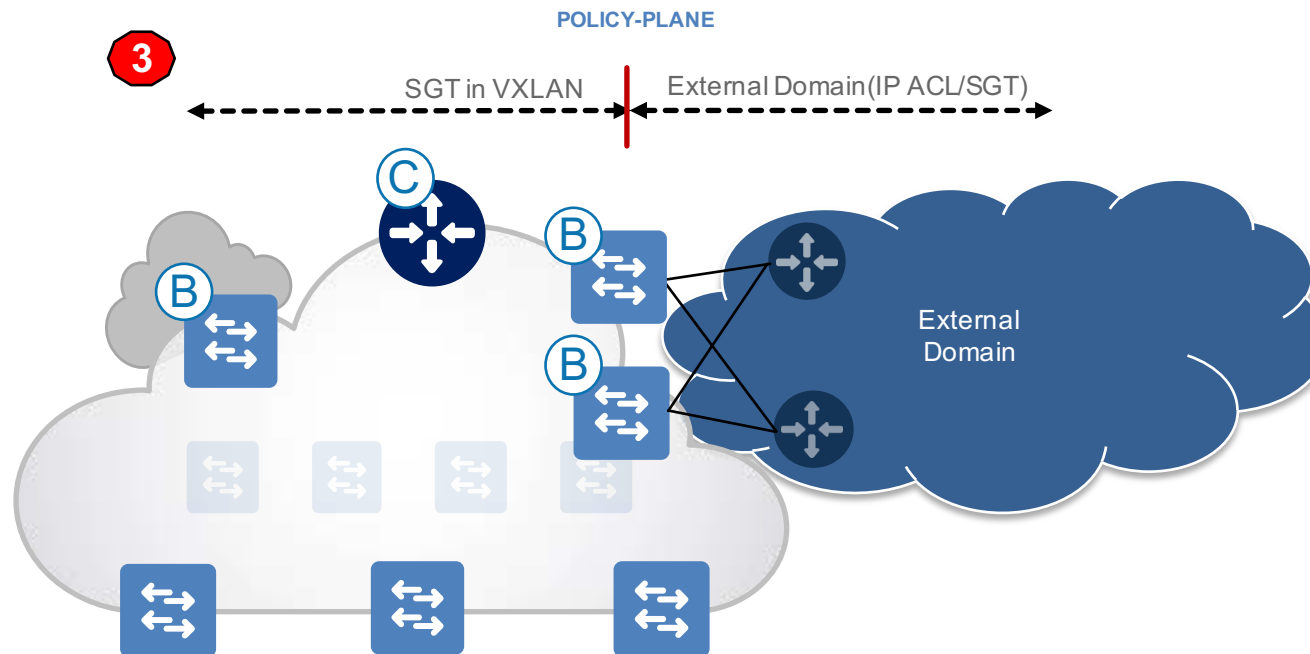


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One Box Border - Policy Plane

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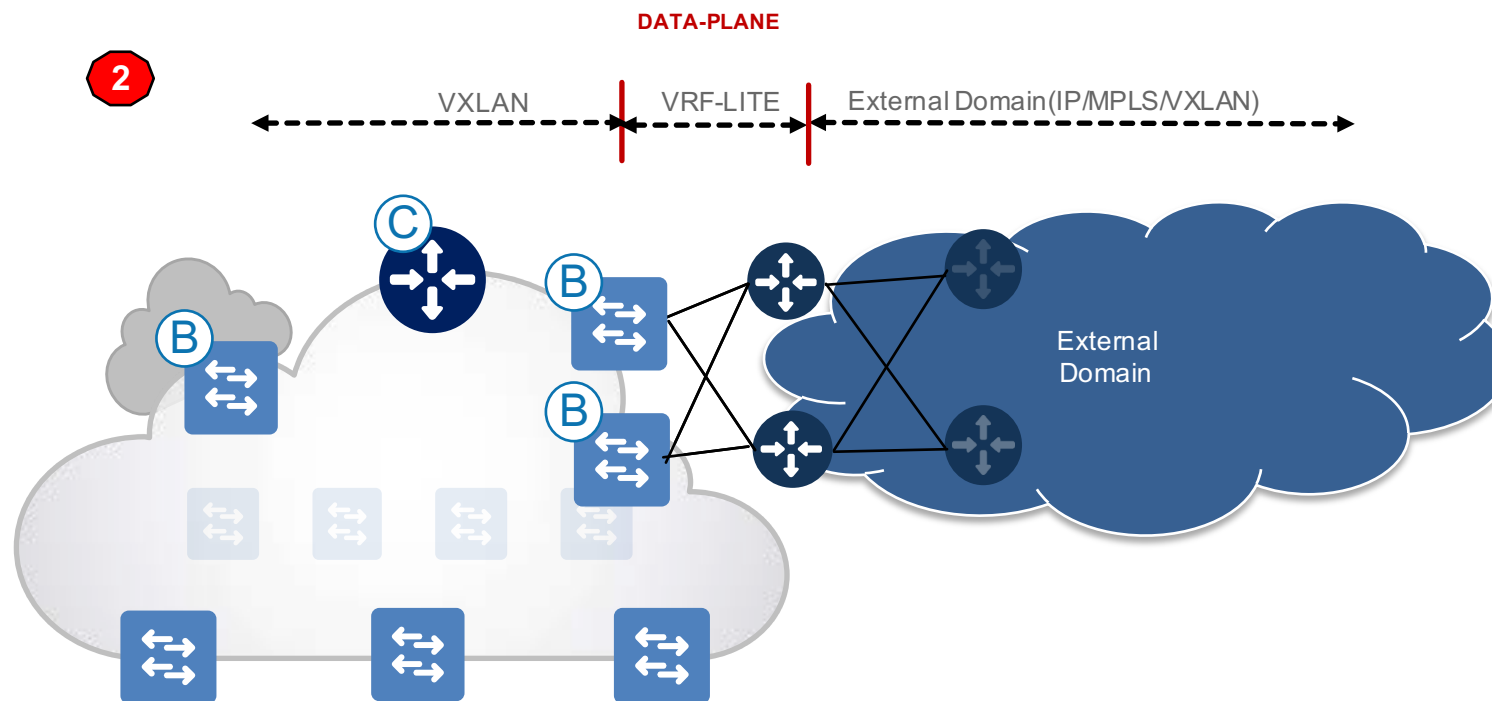


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Border Design Options

Two Box Border - Data Plane

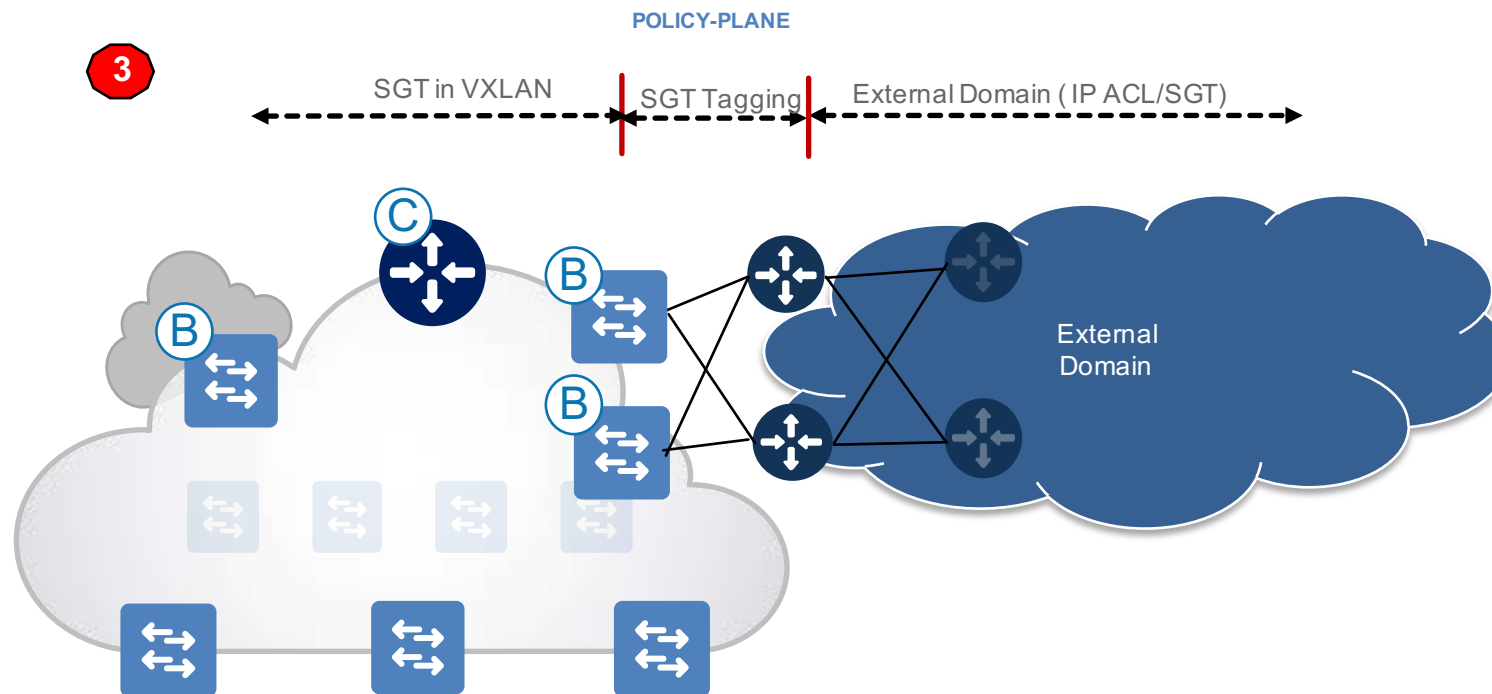
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Two Box Border - Policy Plane

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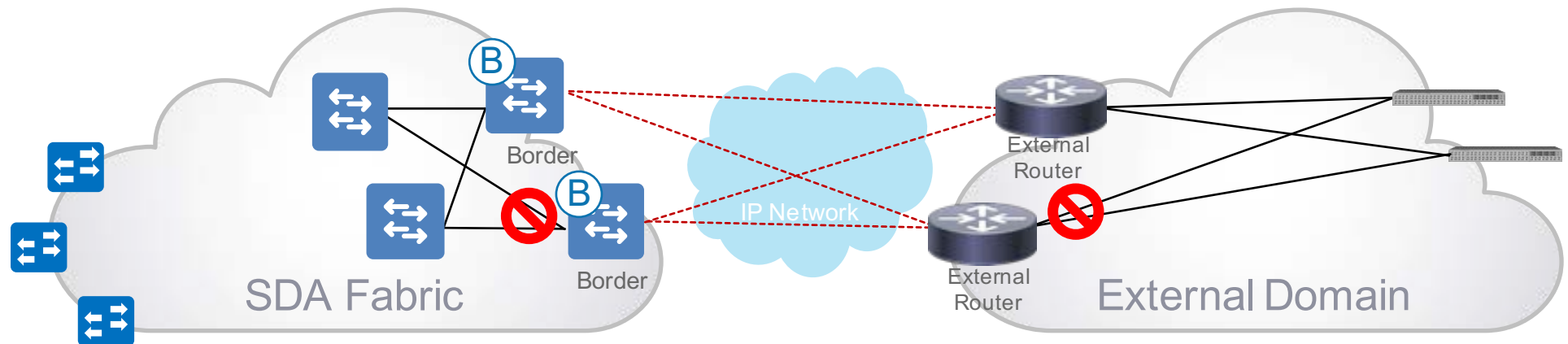


Border Resiliency (HA)

Resiliency at the Border

Track or propagate events across domains

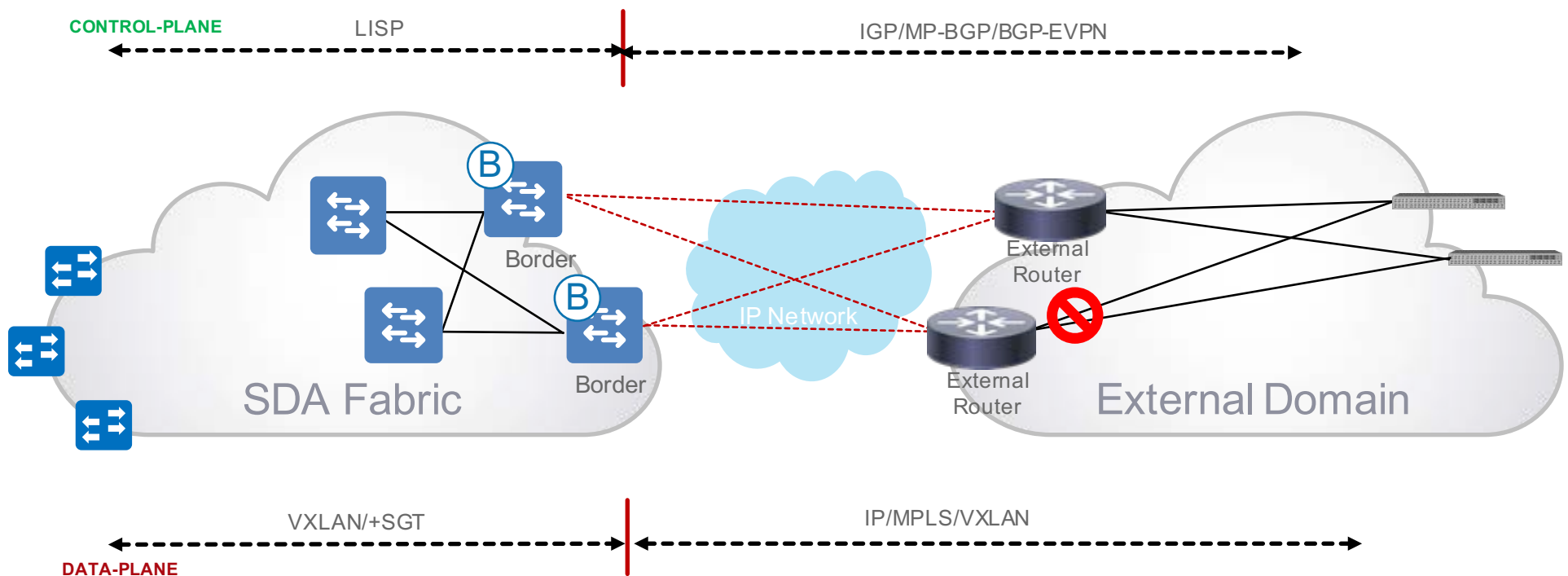
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Resiliency at the Border

Use Case 1 : Track failures in the External Domain

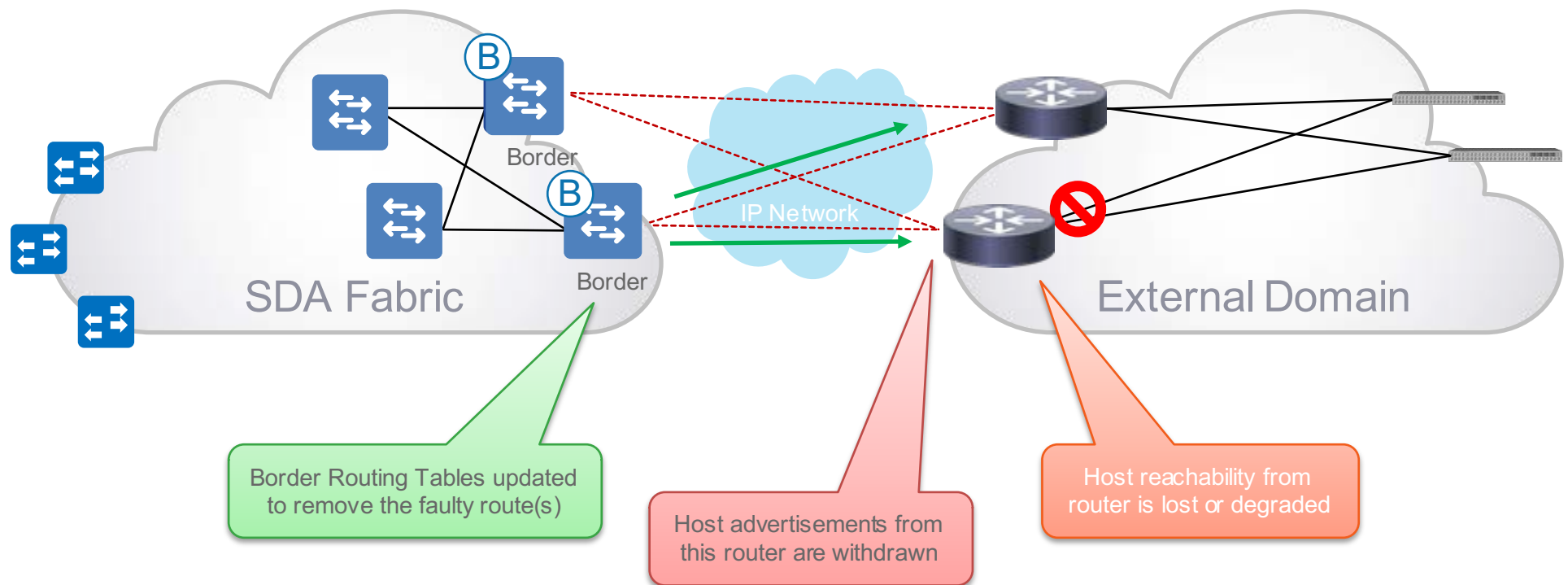
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Failures & Changes in the External Domain

External advertisements to reflect state of the External Domain

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Resiliency at the Border

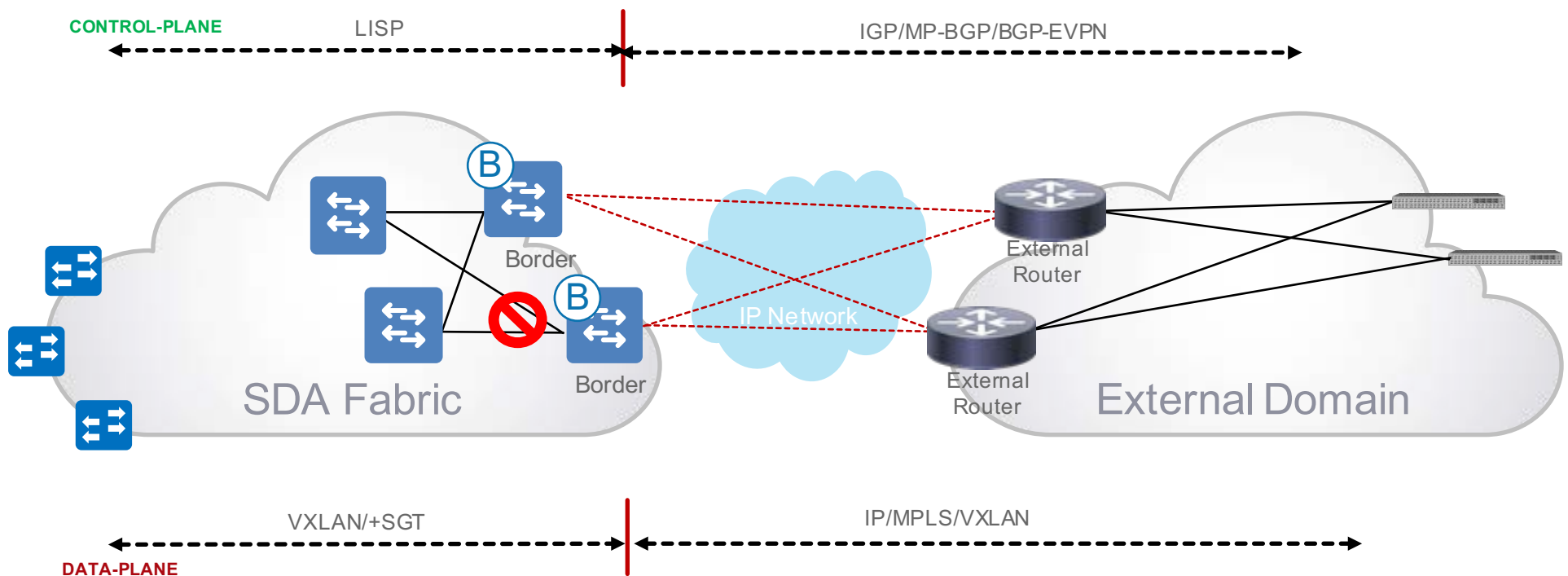
Use Case 1 : Track failures in the External Domain

- ☐ No additional configuration is needed on the fabric border to achieve resiliency.
- ☐ Traffic is re-routed away from the failure point based on routing protocols configured on the fabric border.
- ☐ Convergence depends on the routing protocols convergence times.

Resiliency at the Border

Use Case 2.1: Track failures in the Fabric Domain @ Border and CP Co-located

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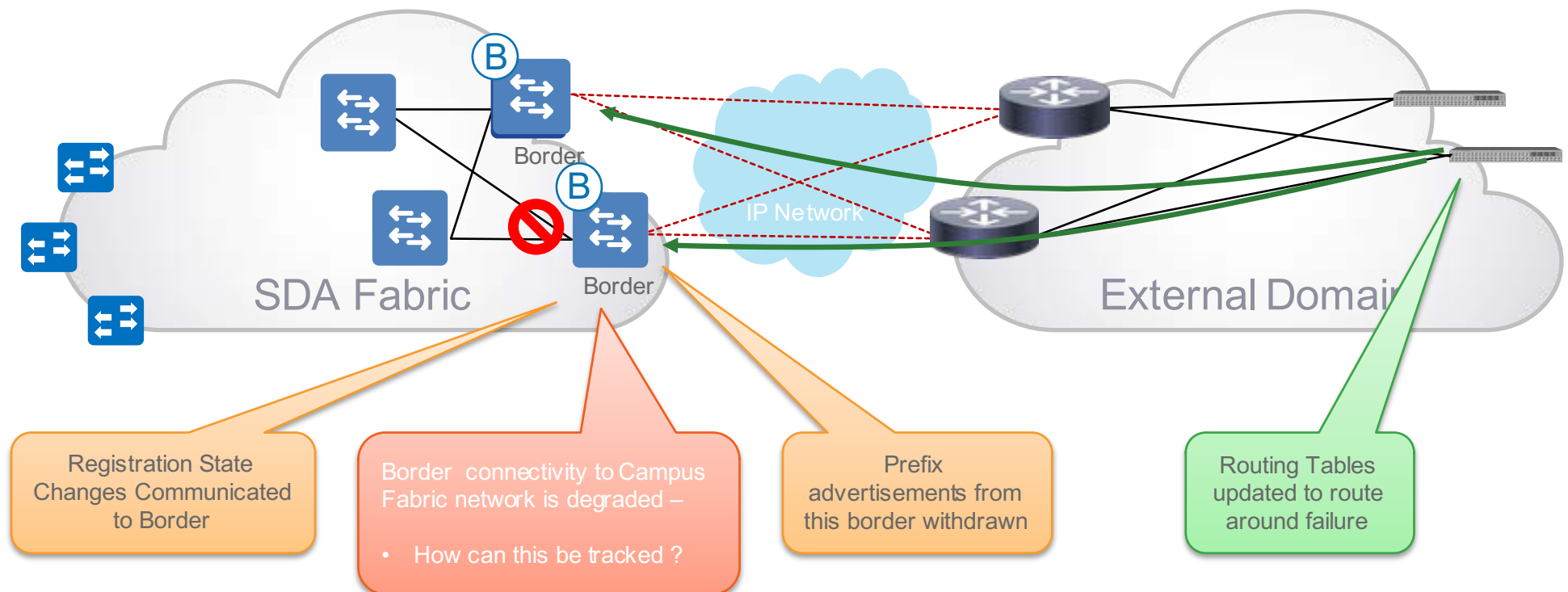


Failures & Changes in the SD-Access Fabric

Internal redistribution of Fabric state into External Domain @ Border and CP Co-located

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I. Border and Control plane Node Co-located



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Internal redistribution of Fabric state into External Domain @ Border and CP Co-located

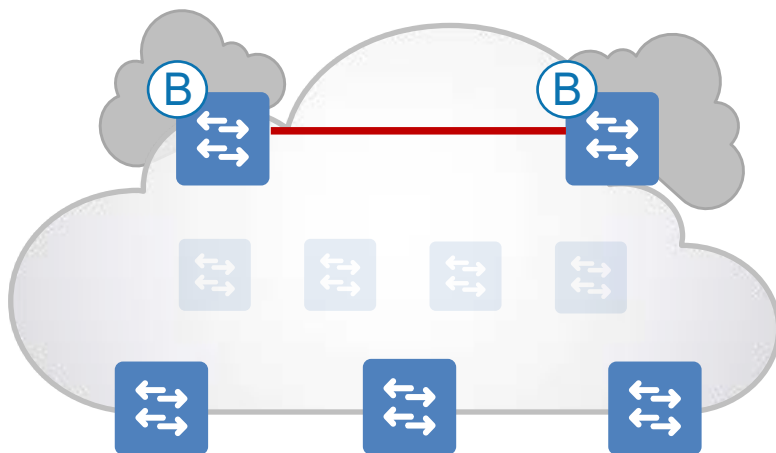
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- ❑ Since Border and Control Plane node are Co-located, when a Failure happens the state of the network needs to be tracked and informed to the control plane node so that the fabric border can withdraw its route advertisements.
- ❑ To Track the state of the Network we can use either an EEM script or Object tracking.
- ❑ Since above requires configuration's on the border nodes an workaround to alleviate this issue is explained in next slide.

Resiliency at the Border

Use Case 2.1 : Track failures in the Fabric Domain @ Border and CP Co-located

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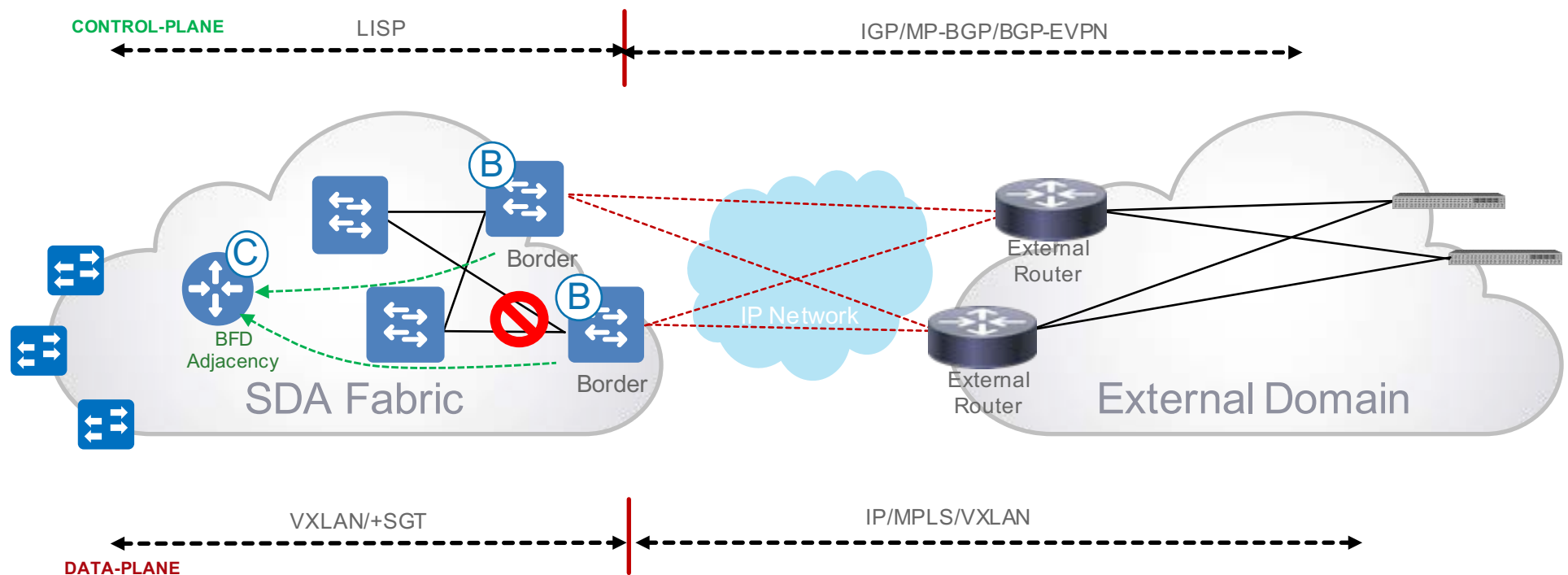


- ☐ As a workaround the border node's can be Connected via a Layer 3 link.
- ☐ This Layer 3 link's will have lesser cost to reach the fabric edge nodes than the underlay , meaning when underlay is available this direct connect link is not used.
- ☐ If one of the border's connectivity to the underlay is degraded then the traffic from external domain will come to that border and using the Layer 3 link will flow to the other border node and then on to the fabric edge nodes.
- ☐ Convergence times depends on routing protocol between the border nodes

Resiliency at the Border

Use Case 2.2 : Track failures in the Fabric Domain @ Border and CP Distributed

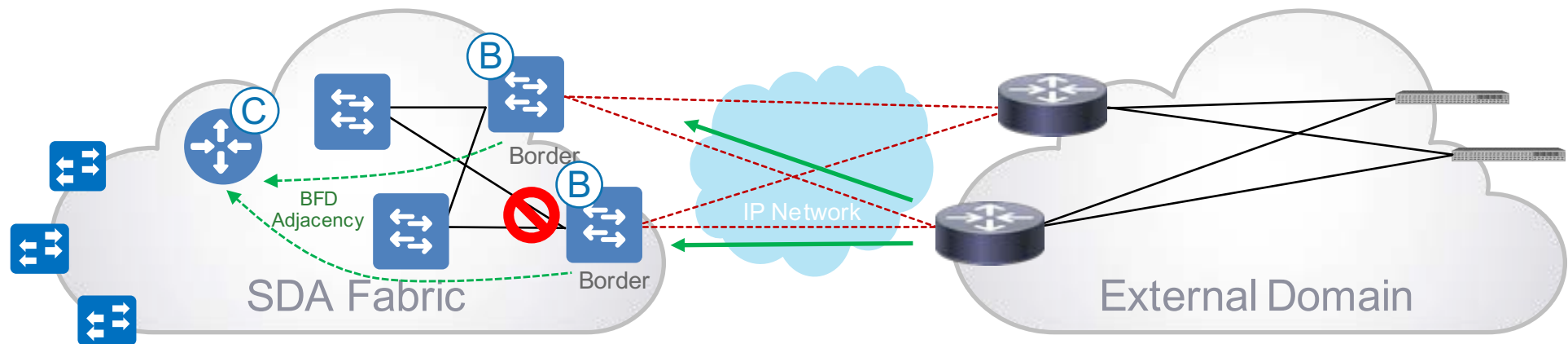
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Failures & Changes in the SD-Access Fabric

Internal redistribution of Fabric state into External Domain @ Border and CP Distributed

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- SDA fabric domain prefixes are advertised via BGP from Control Plane node to Border node
- **BGP adjacencies between Control Plane and Border node are monitored with BFD**
- Upon BFD adjacency fail, prefixes associated with the Border are withdrawn immediately
- **Fast Convergence (150-200ms)**

Shared Services with Border

Border Deployment Options

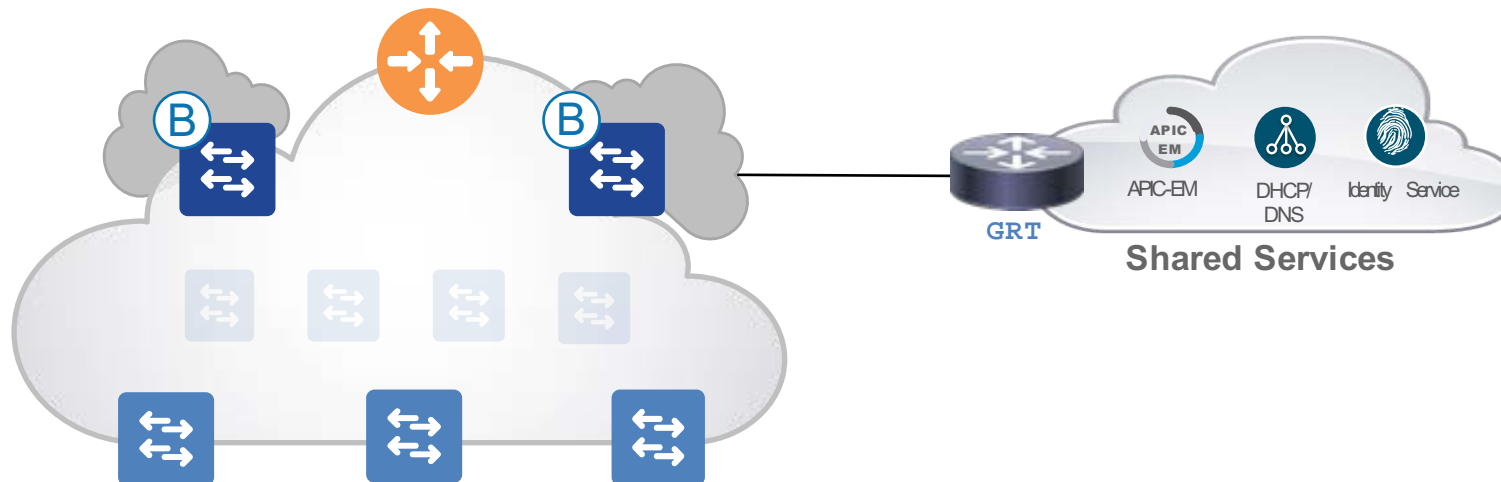
Shared Services (DHCP, AAA, etc) with Border

- Hosts in the fabric domain (in their respective Virtual Networks) will need to have access to common “Shared Services”:
 - **Identity Services** (e.g. AAA/RADIUS)
 - **Domain Name Services** (DNS)
 - **Dynamic Host Configuration** (DHCP)
 - **IP Address Management** (IPAM)
 - **Monitoring tools** (e.g. SNMP)
 - **Data Collectors** (e.g. Netflow, Syslog)
 - **Other infrastructure elements**
- These shared services will *generally* reside *outside* of the fabric domain.

Border Deployment Options

Shared Services (DHCP, AAA, etc) with Border in Global Routing Table

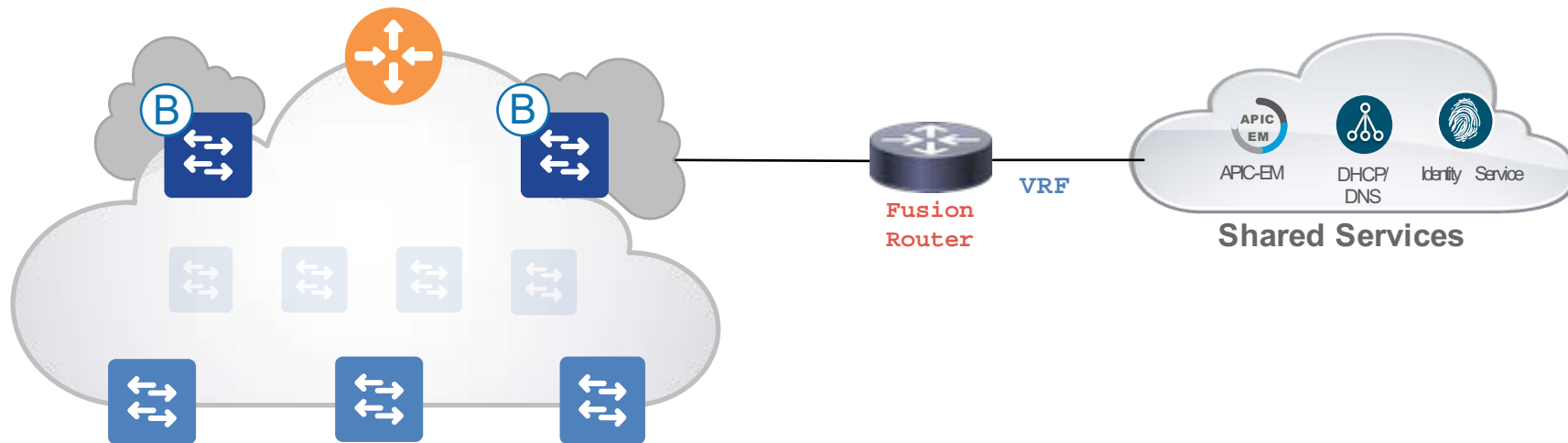
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Border Deployment Options

Shared Services (DHCP, AAA, etc) with Border in dedicated VRF

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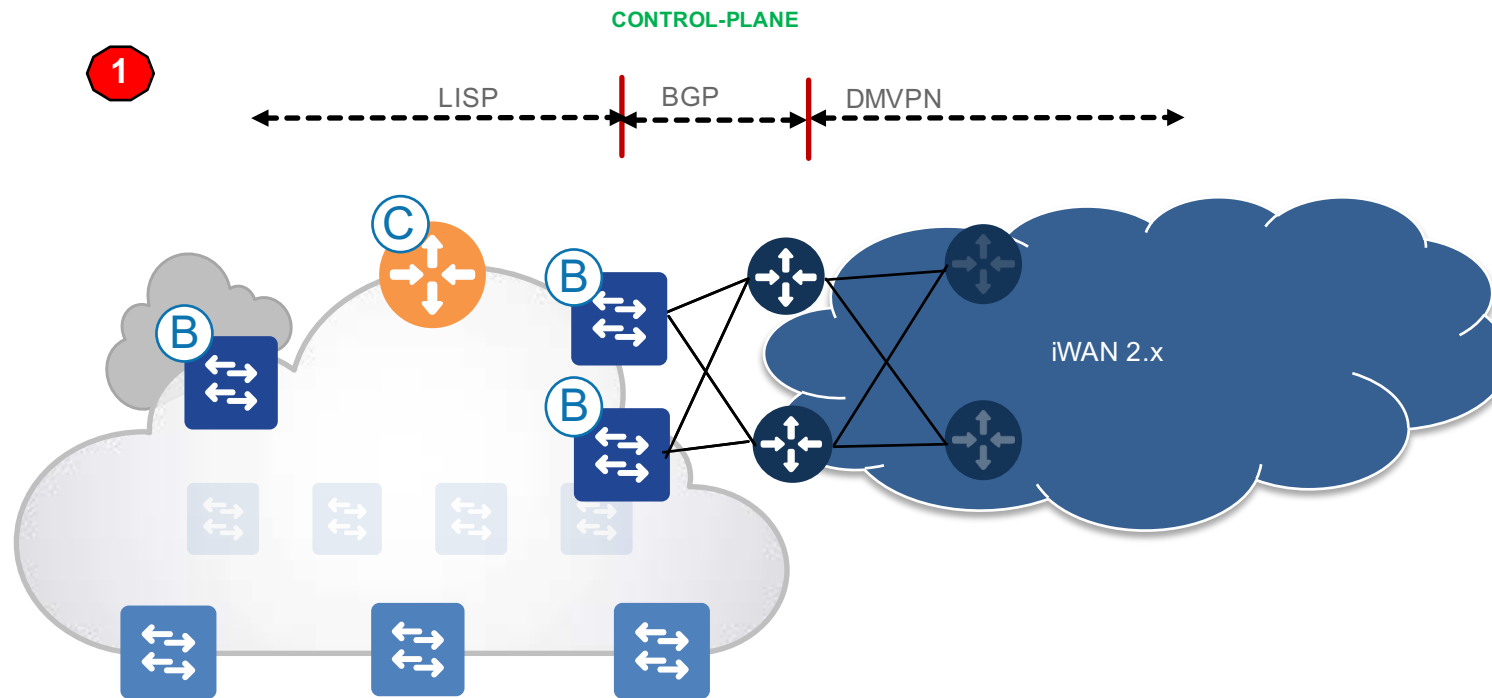


WAN Connectivity with Border

Border Design Options

IWAN2.x Connectivity with Border - Control Plane

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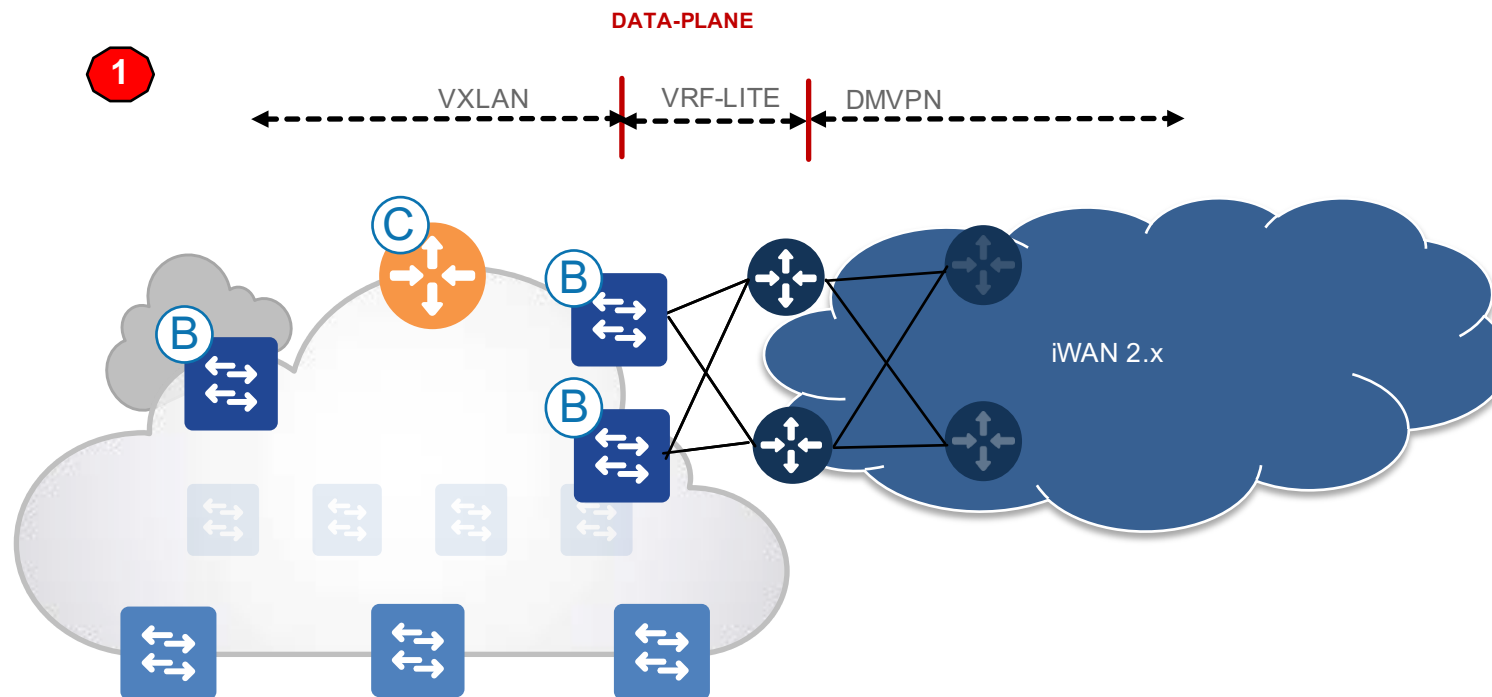


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IWAN2.x Connectivity with Border - Data Plane

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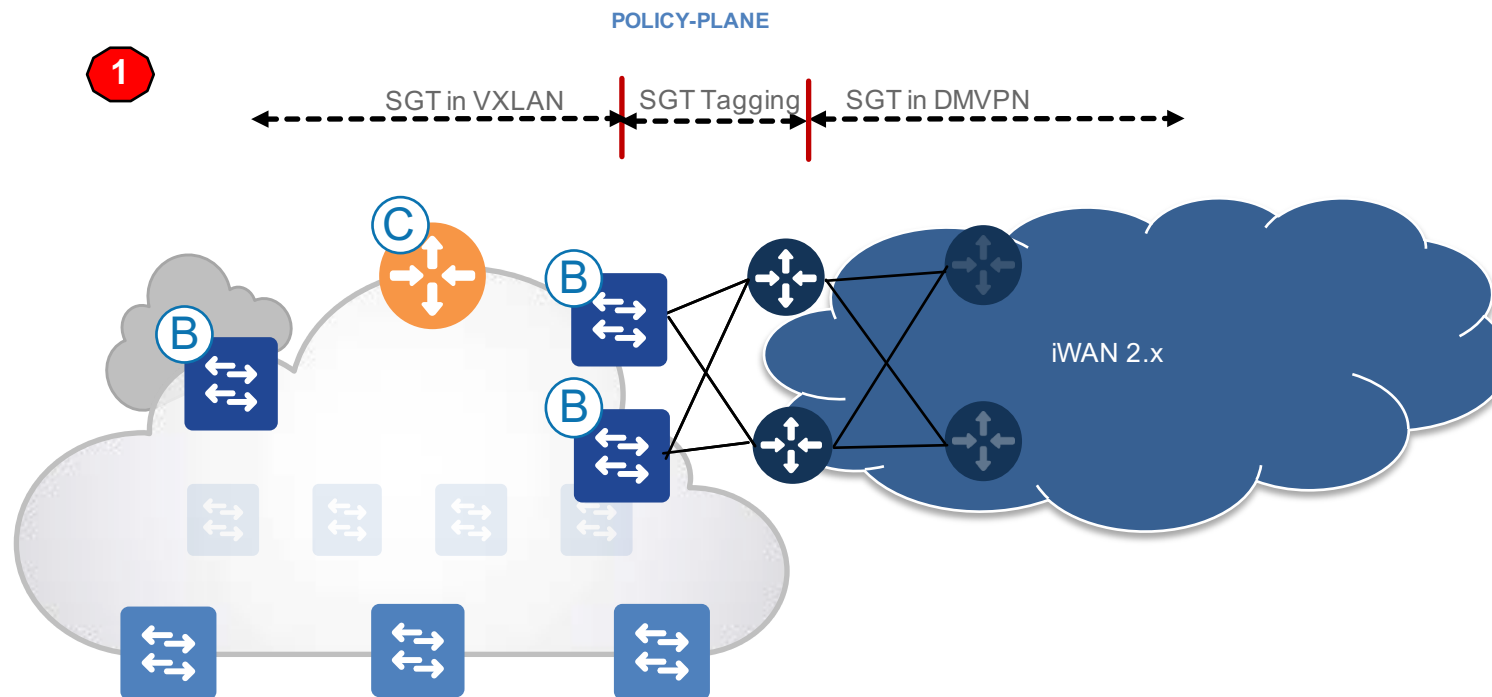
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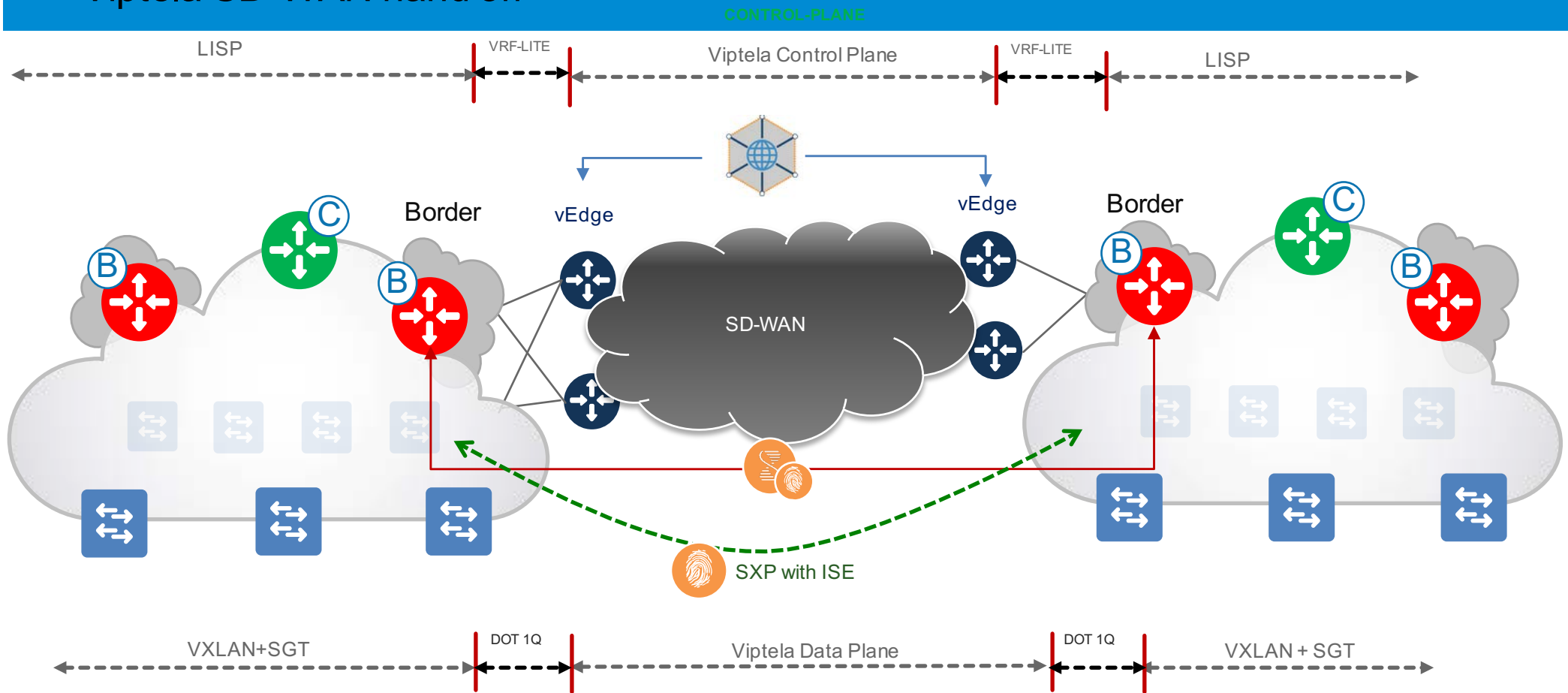
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Border Deployment Options

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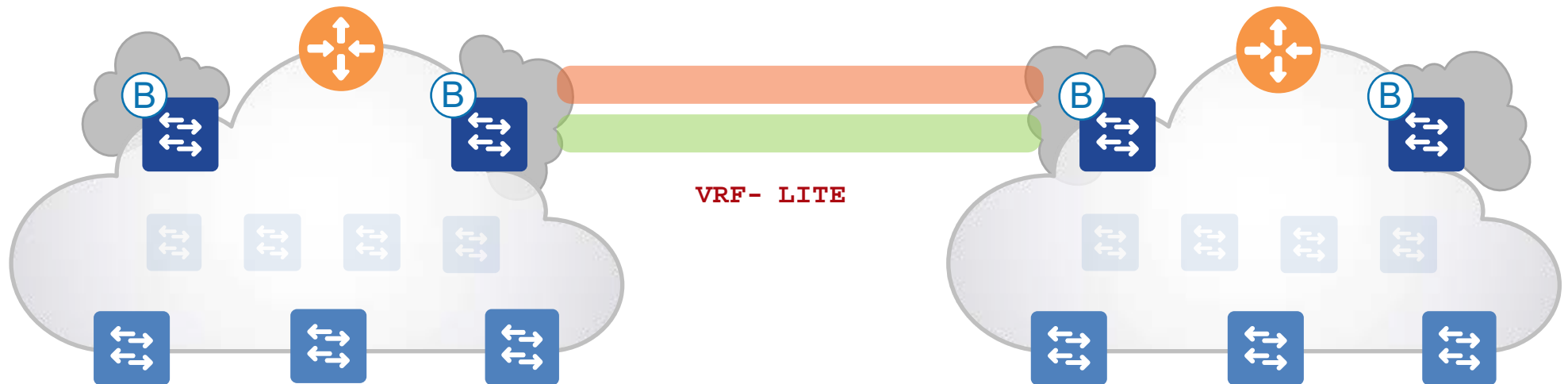


Multiple Fabric Domains Connectivity with Border

Border Deployment Options

Multiple Fabric Domains

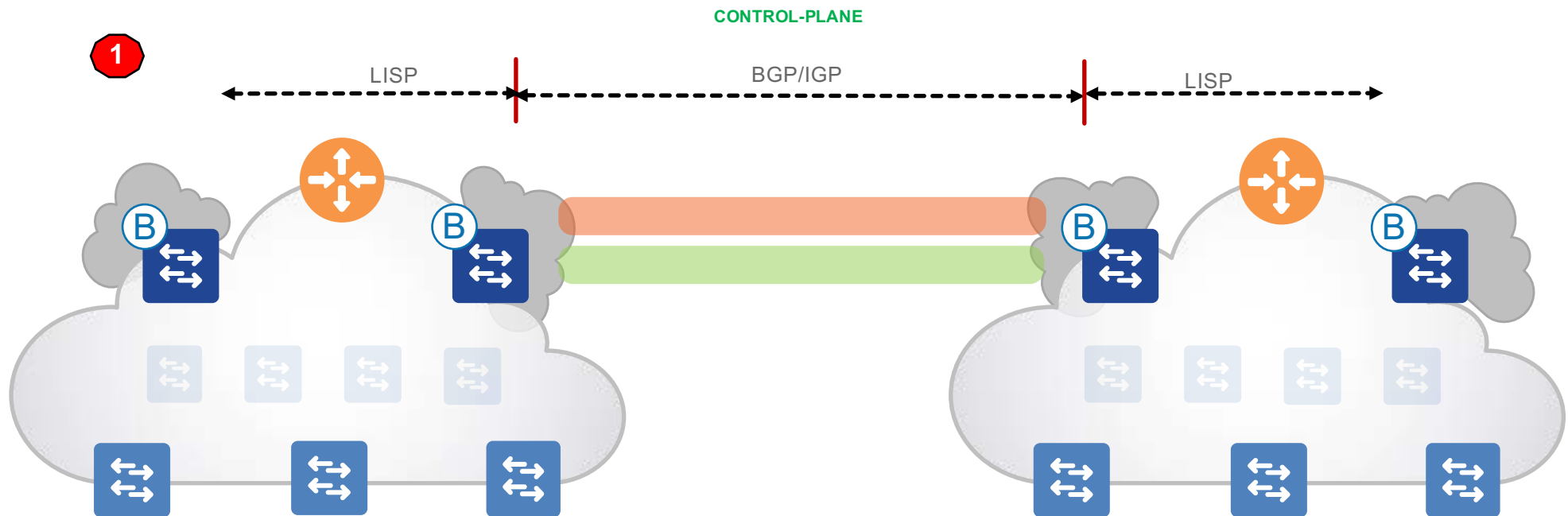
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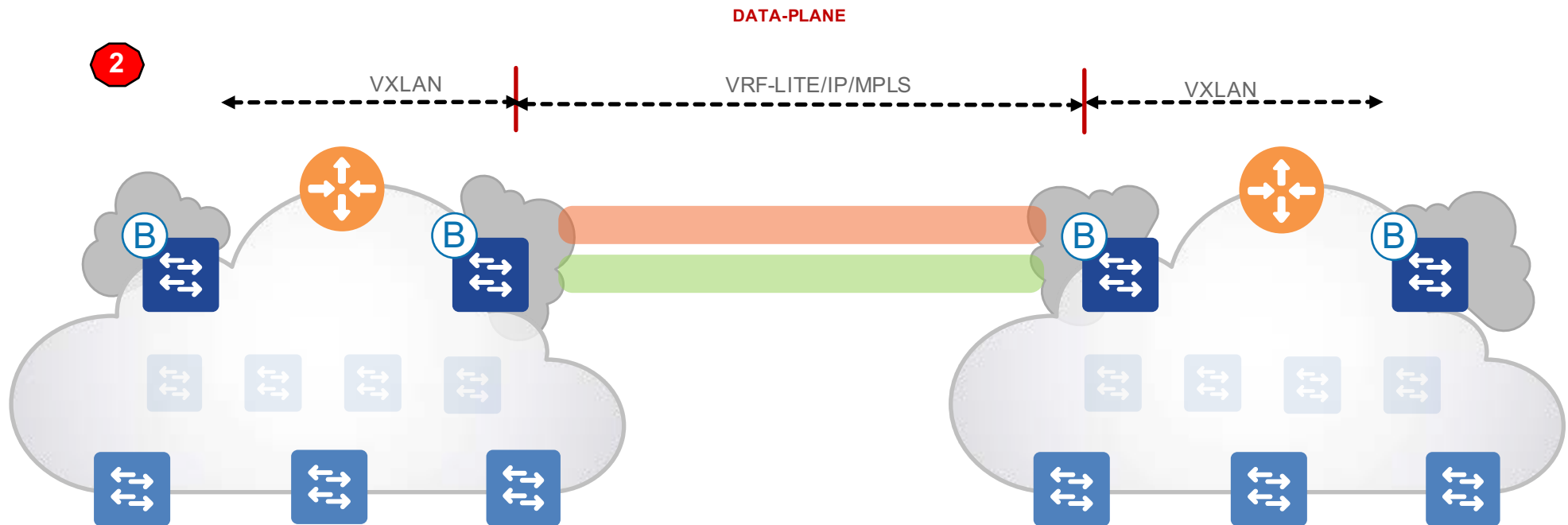
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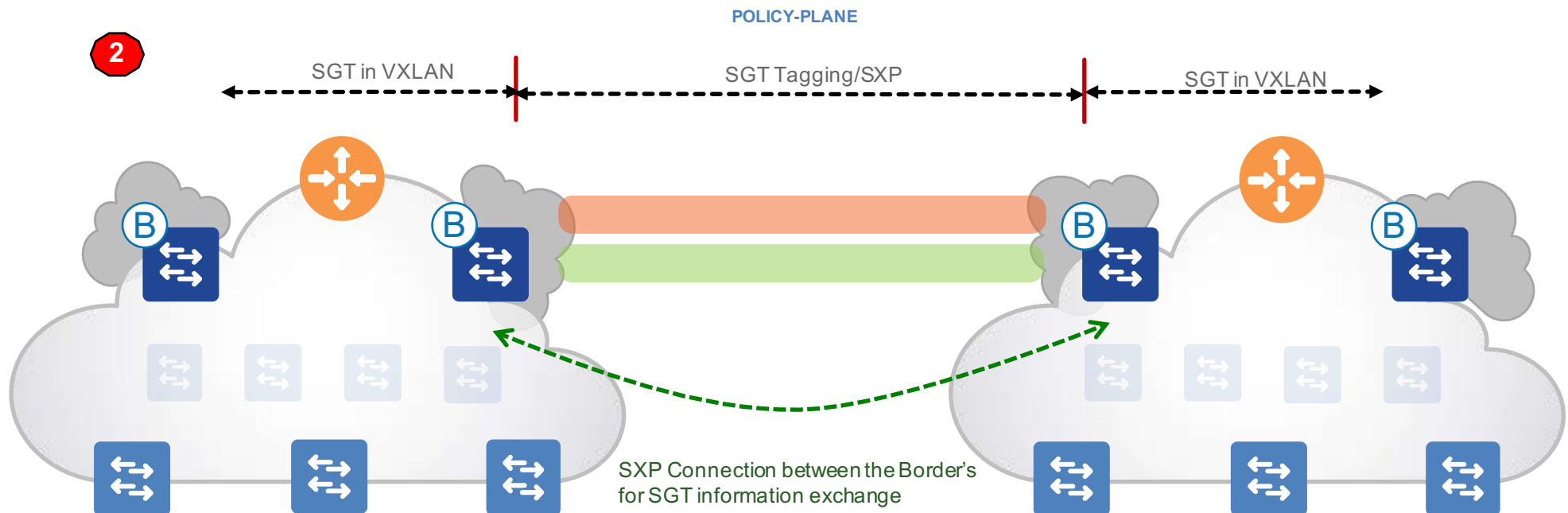
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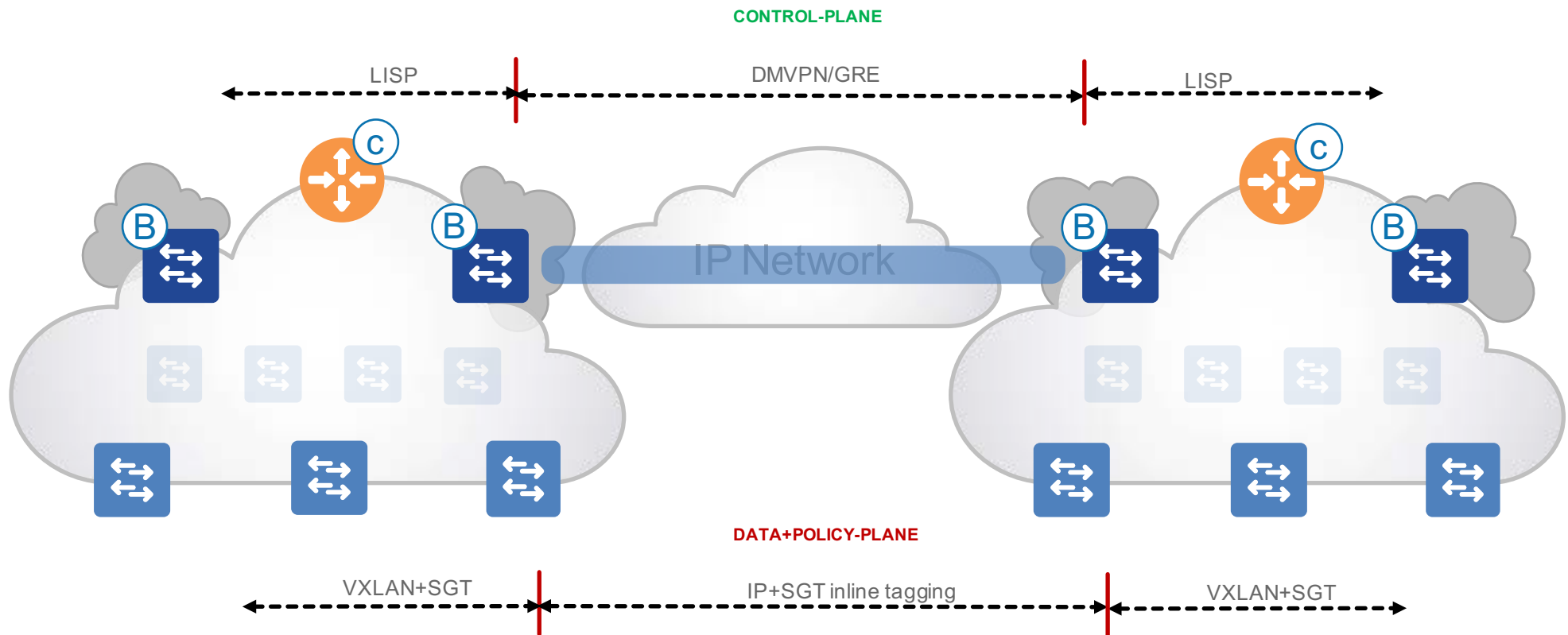


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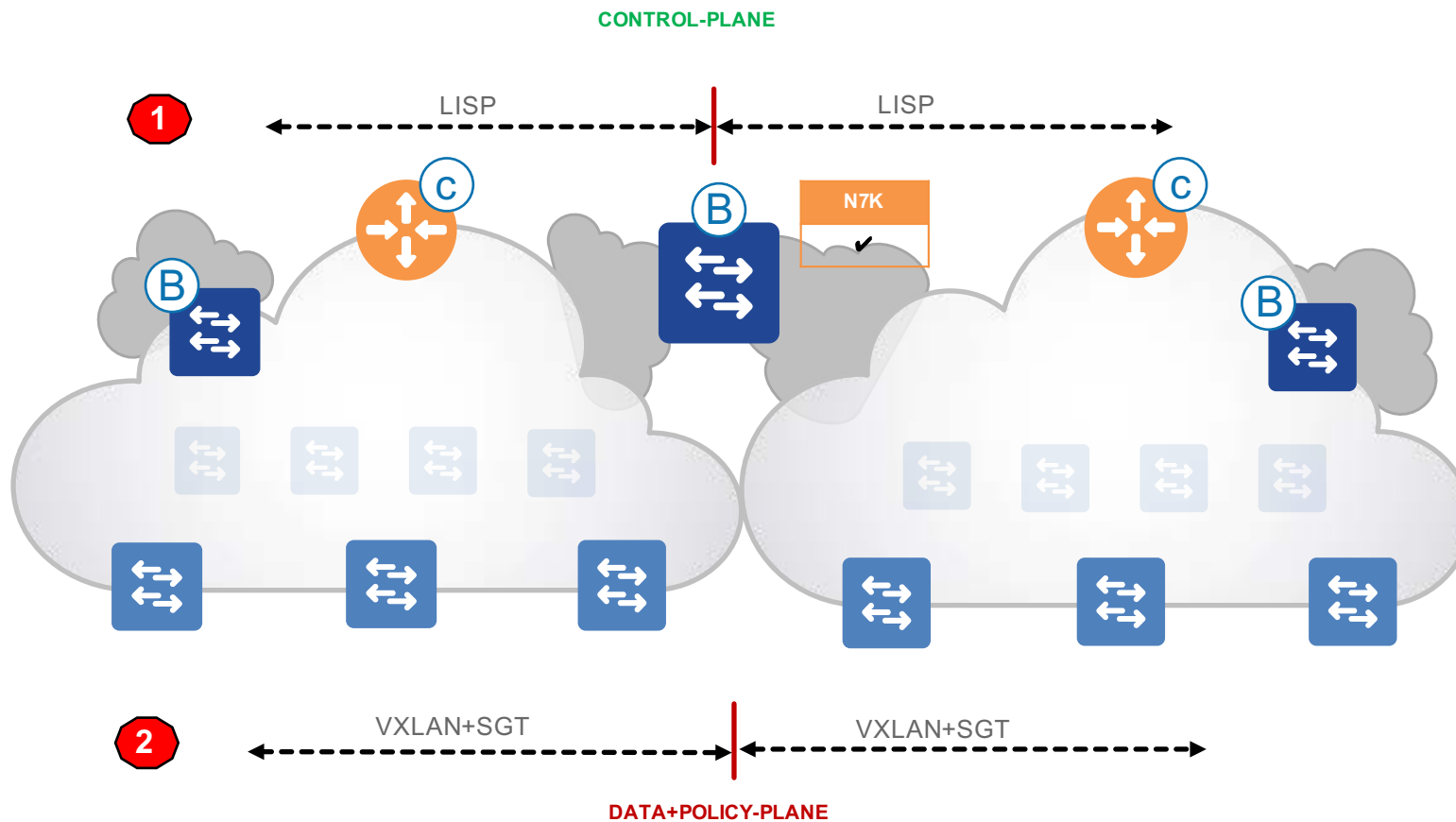
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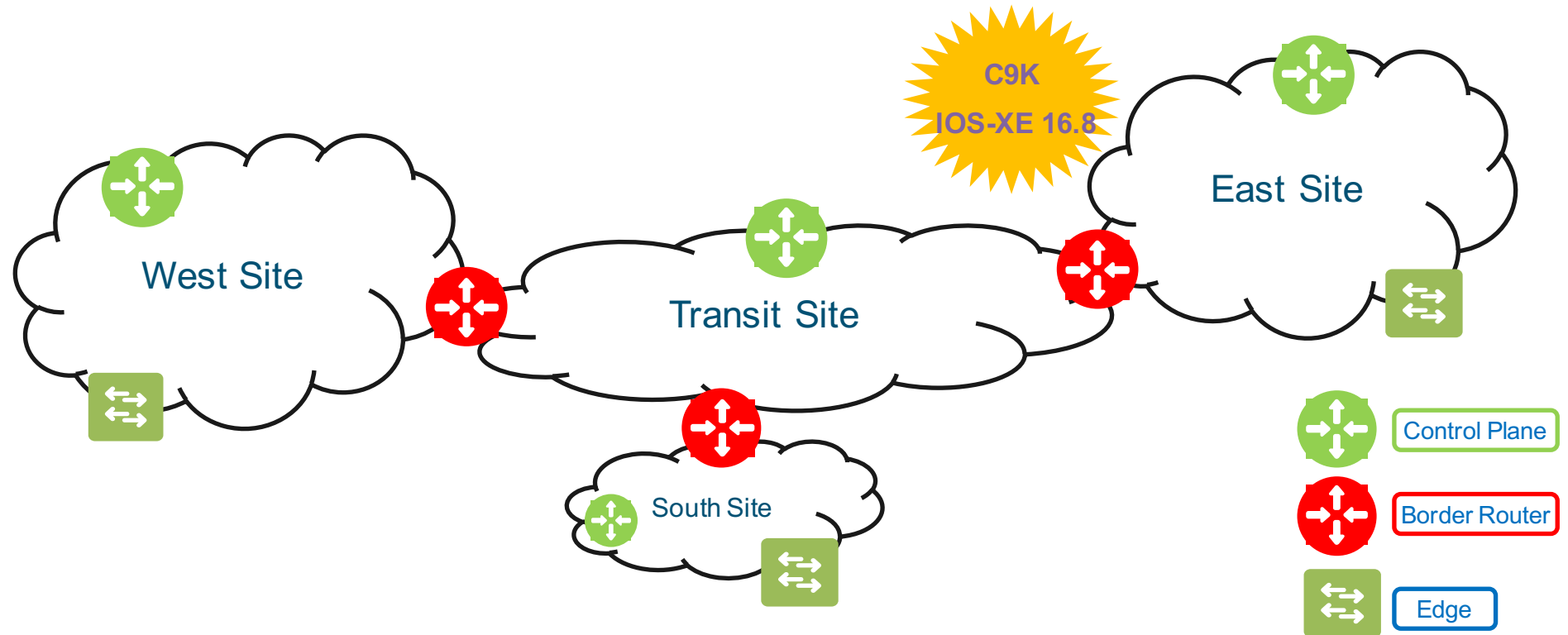
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SD-Access Multi-Site

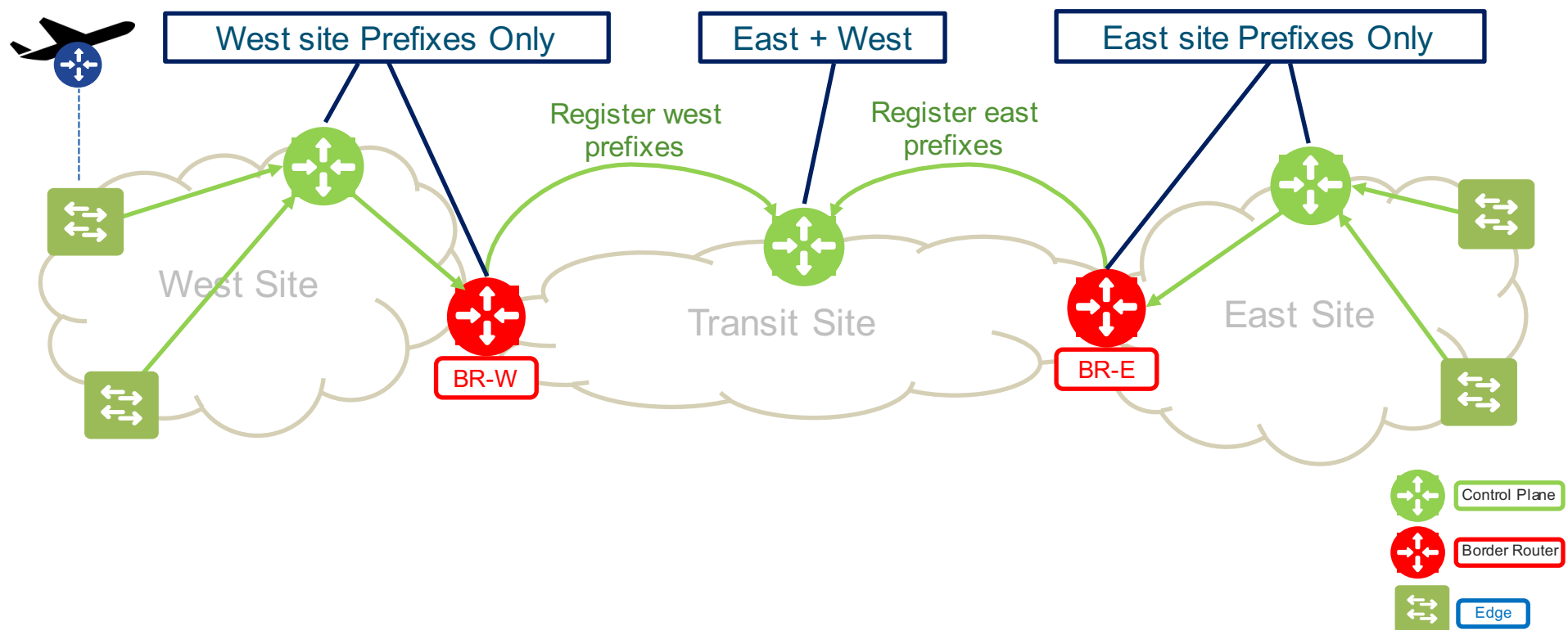
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Border Deployment Options

SD-Access Multi-Site

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Service Chaining with Border

Border Deployment Options

Service Chaining with Border

Non-Cisco Firewall:

- Firewall is connected externally to the Campus Fabric.
- The prefixes from the local Campus Fabric domain will be advertised to the firewall with a routing protocol of choice.
- **Firewall policy is based Interface or Subnet IP/mask and IP ACL's.**

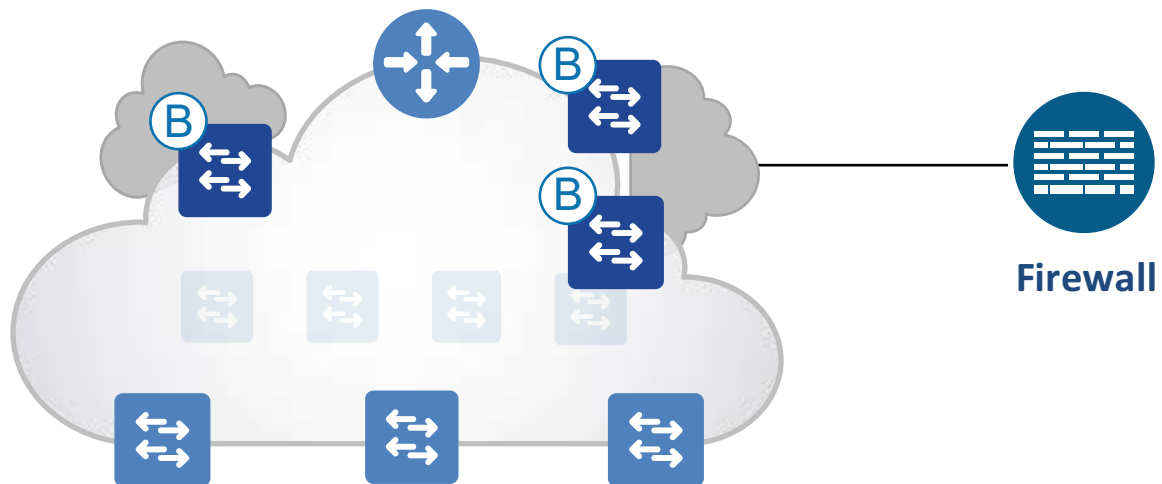
Cisco Firewall :

- Firewall is connected externally to the Campus Fabric.
- The prefixes from the local Campus Fabric domain will be advertised to the firewall with a routing protocol of choice.
- **SXP connection between ISE and Firewall used for derivation of SGTs on the Firewall.**
- **Firewall policy is based on SGT's and SG ACL's (Group based Policy).**
- Firewall also has Interface or Subnet IP based policy, for brownfield integration

Border Deployment Options

Service Chaining with Border - Firewall

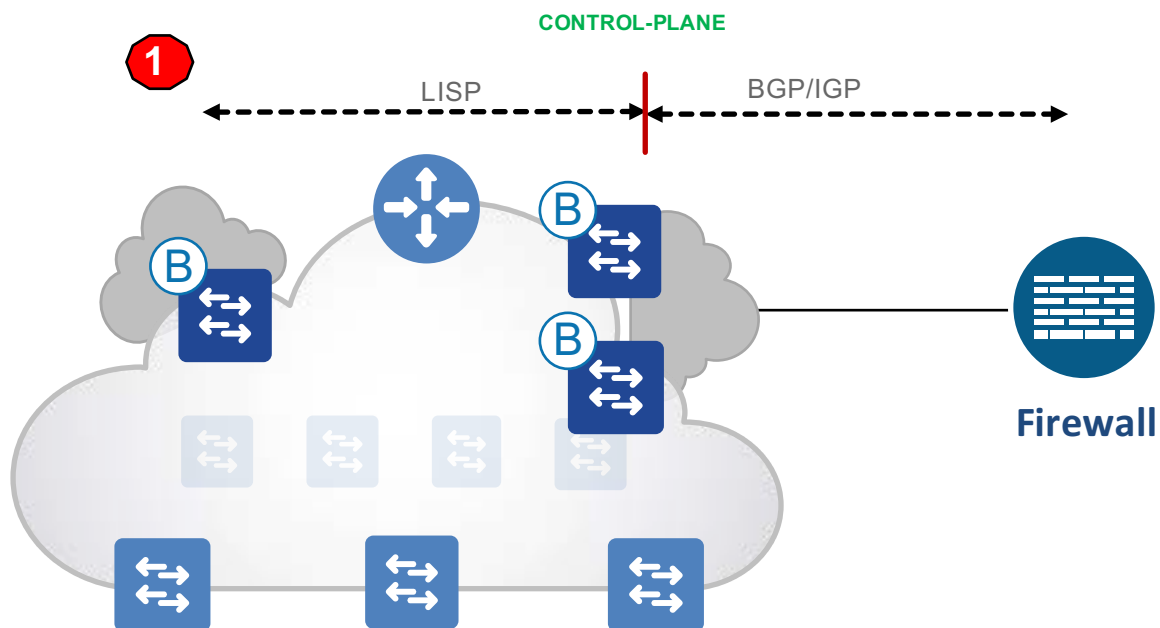
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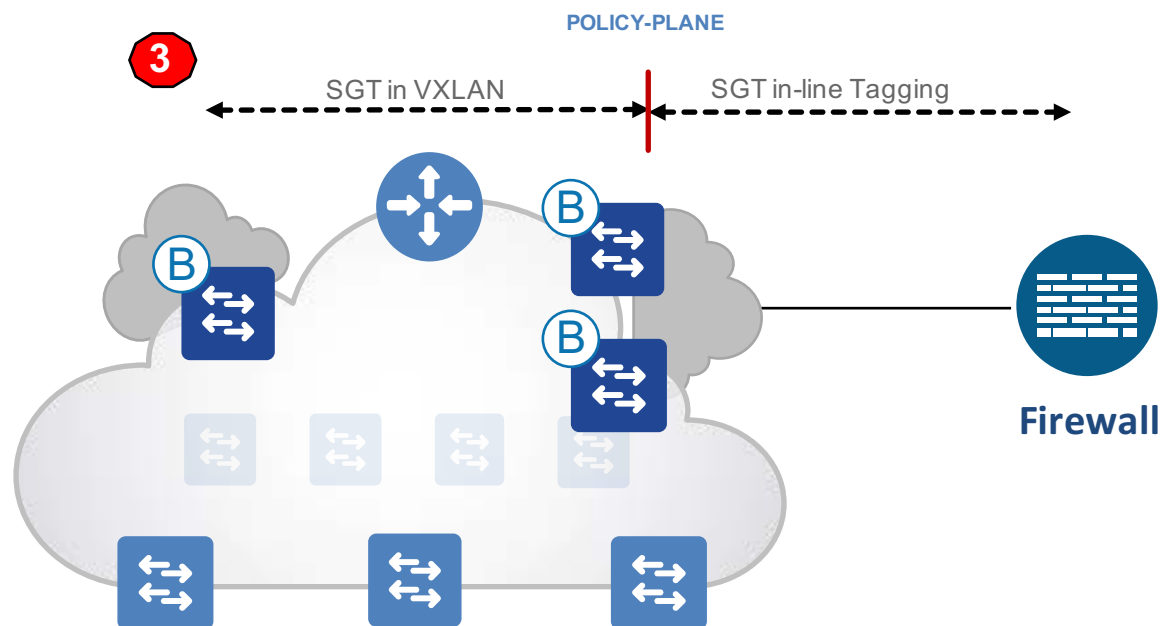
Service Chaining with Border – Data-Plane (Routed firewall)



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Service Chaining with Border – Policy Plane

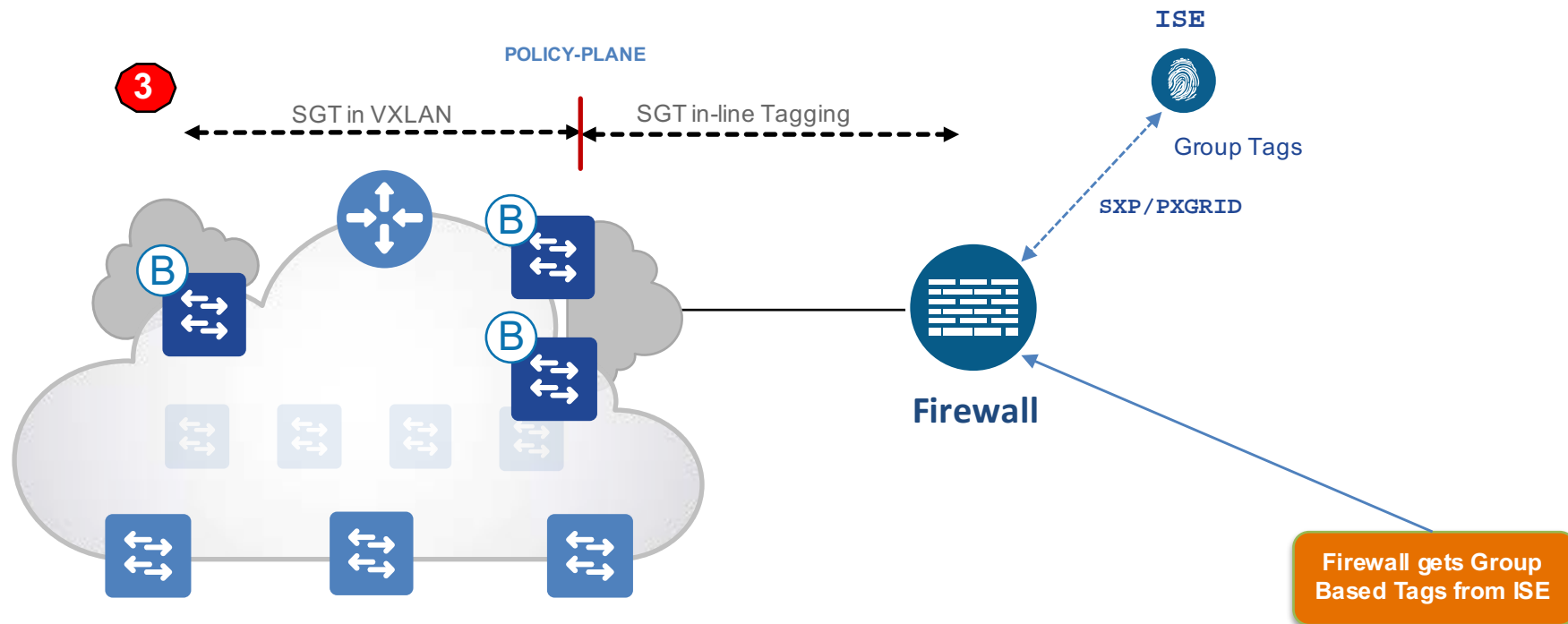
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Service Chaining with Internal Border – Cisco Firewall, Checkpoint

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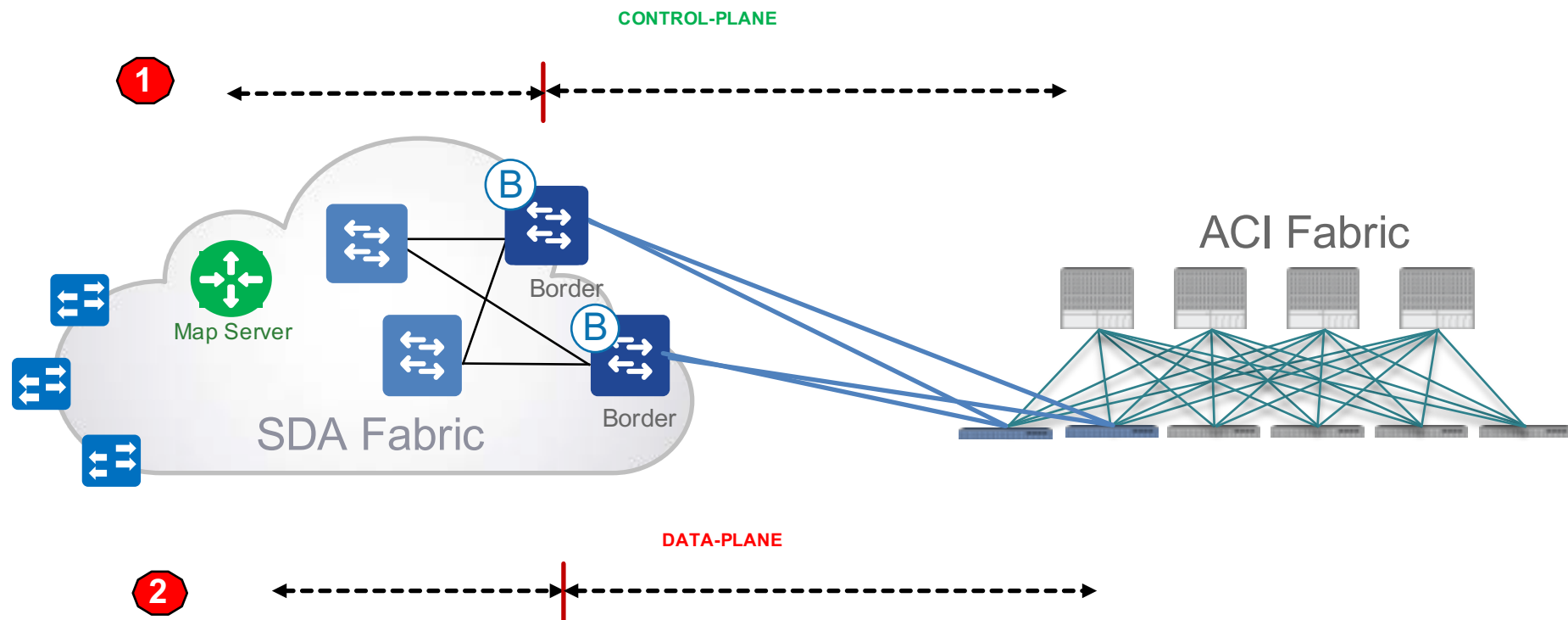


Data Center Connectivity with Border

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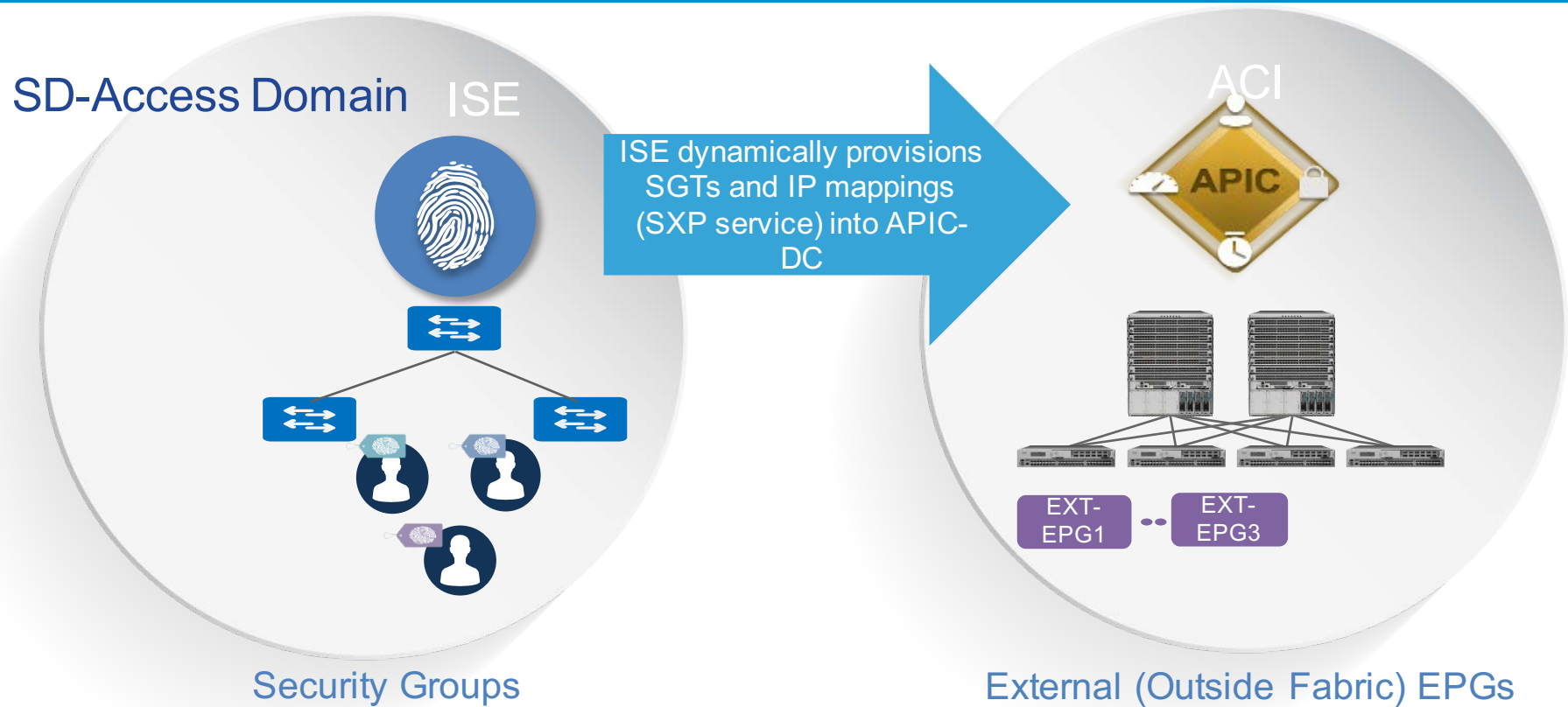
Data Center Connectivity With Border – ACI Fabric

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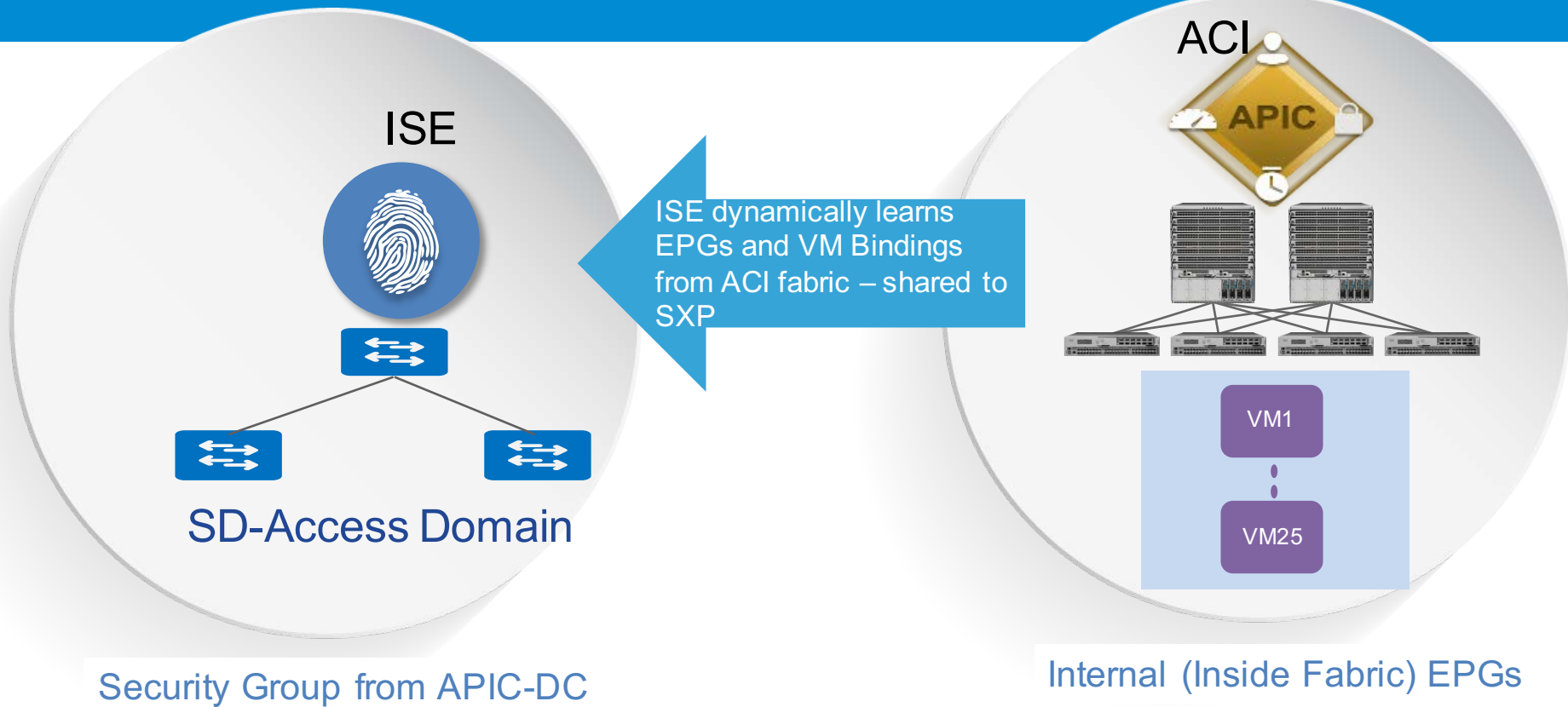
SD-Access SGTs Provisioned in ACI

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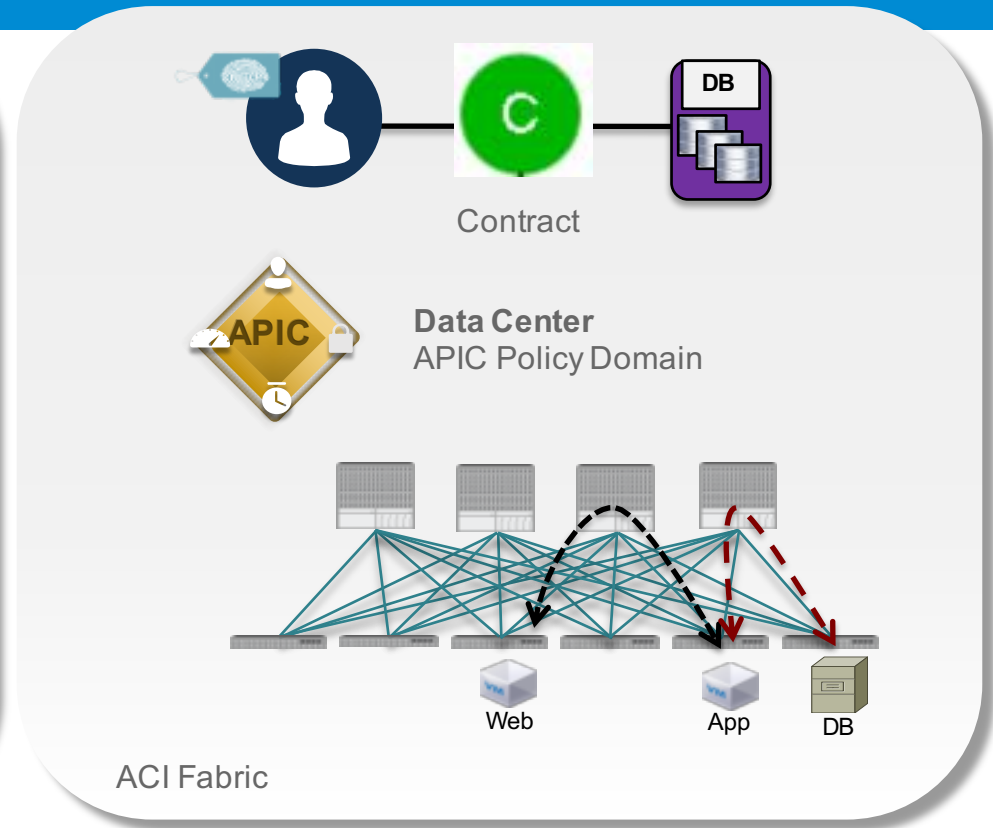
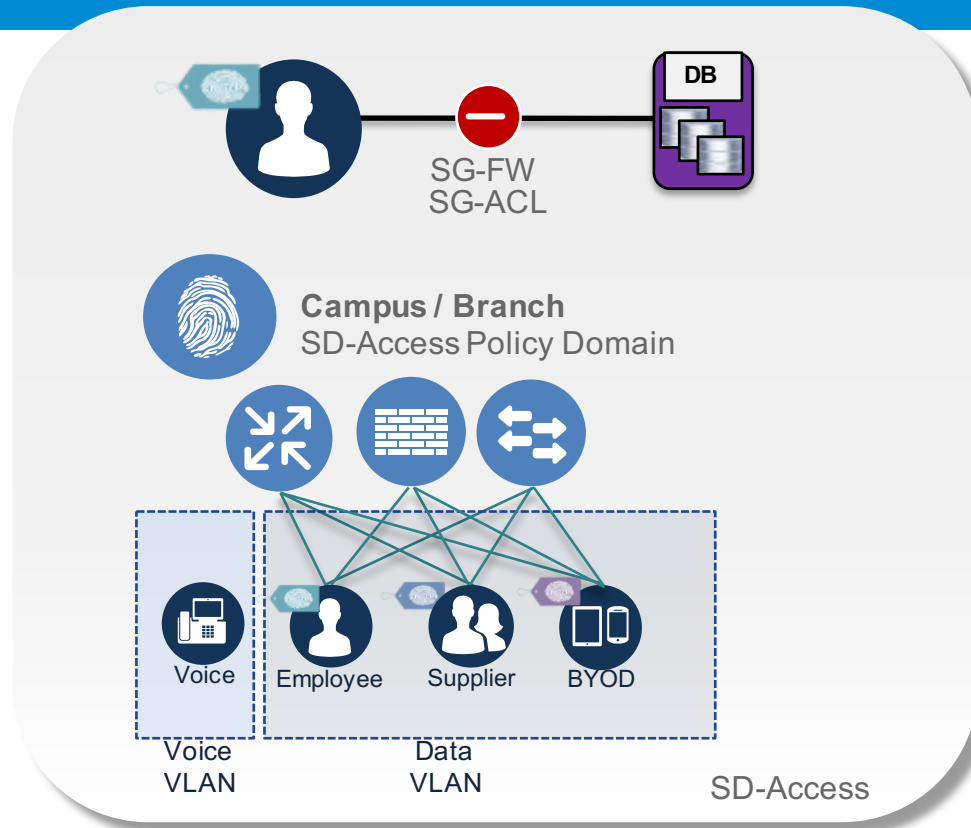
ACI EPGs Automatically Propagated into SD-Access

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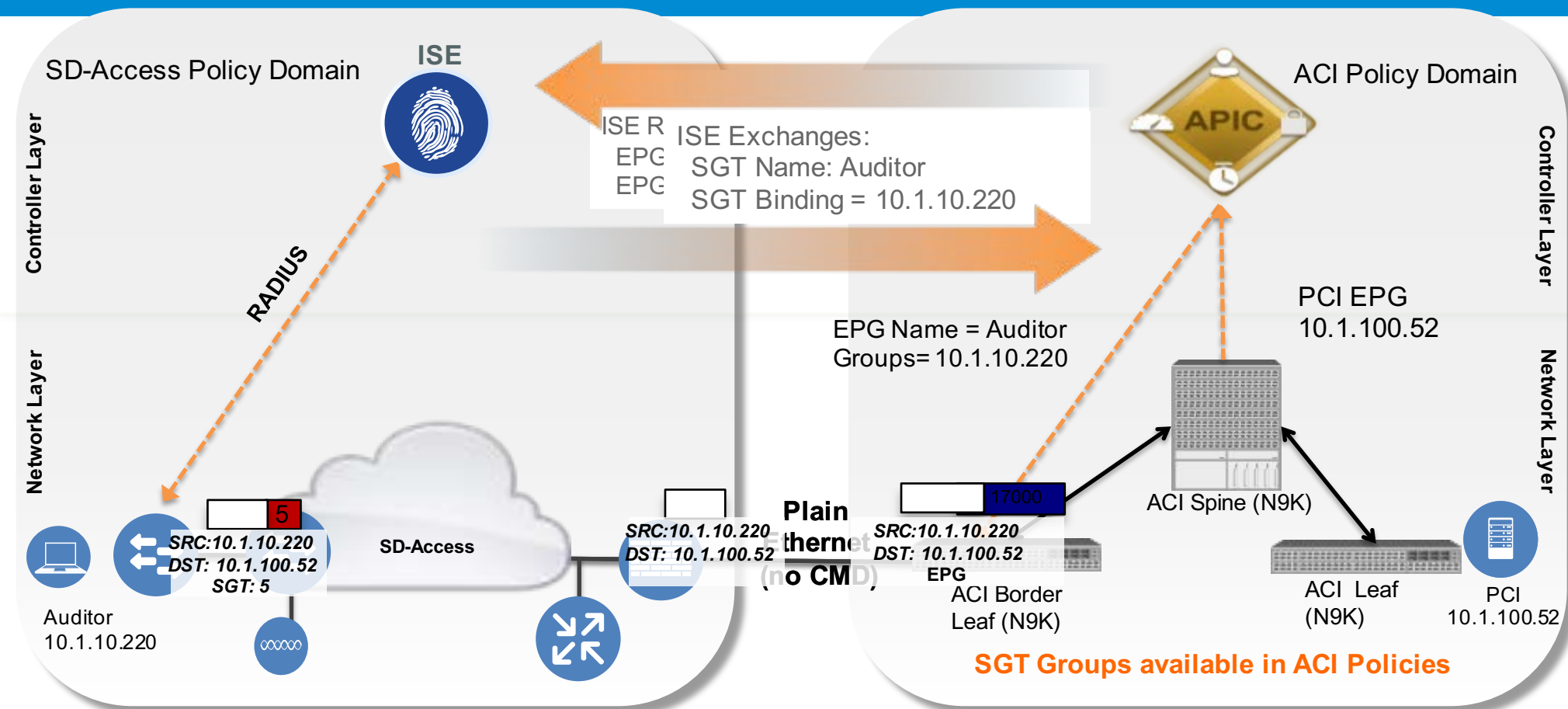
Enabling Group-based Policy in each Domain

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SD-Access SGT Info Used in ACI Policies

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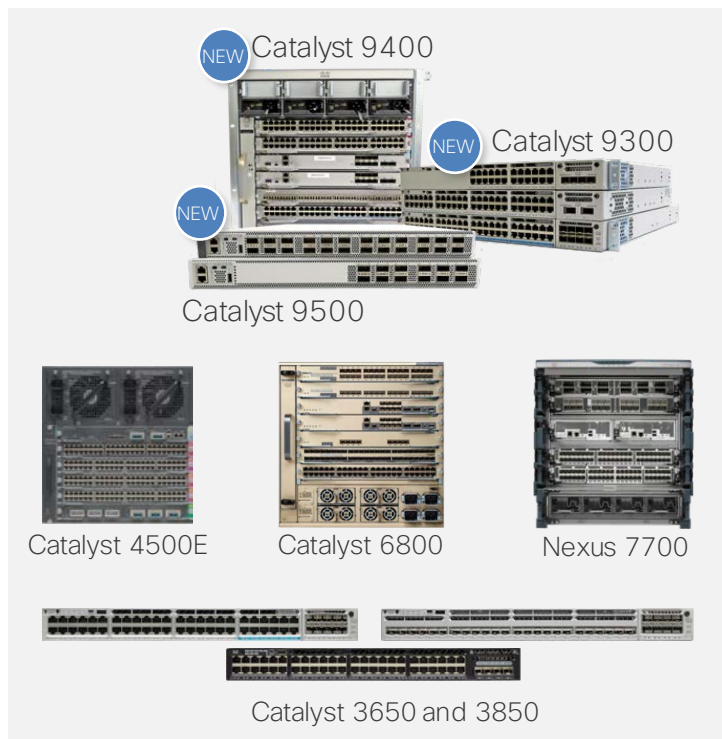
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When to get started?

SD-Access Support

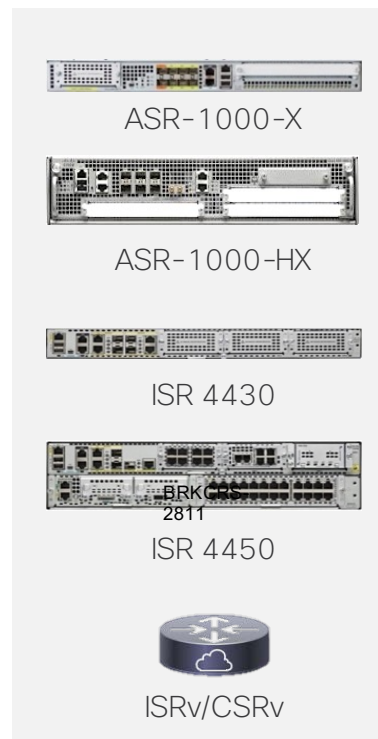
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Switching



Routing



Wireless



Extended



* with Caveats

A nighttime photograph of a city skyline, likely Dubai, featuring several prominent skyscrapers illuminated with blue and white lights. A multi-lane highway in the foreground shows light trails from moving vehicles. The city extends into the distance, with a dense grid of lights.

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