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Cisco UCS as an Advanced Computing Platform for the Enterprise

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- Anatomy of Research Computing
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Cisco Webex Teams

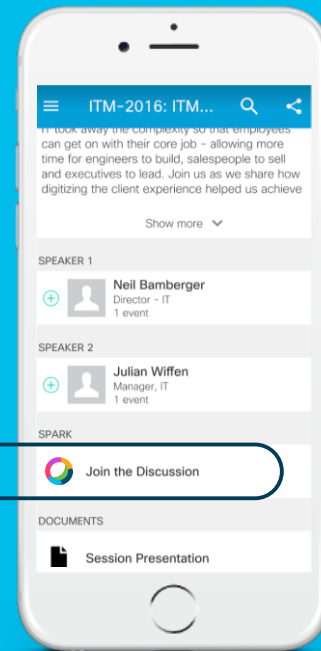
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- Cisco Systems Engineer - 2017
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What is HPC?

Let's Define High Performance Computing

- x86 Clustered Linux Baremetal System that supports high computing needs.
- **No longer FEW fastest Supercomputers in the world.** Several nodes HPC cluster can support hundreds of CPU cores (thousands of GPU cores).
- **Linux is the platform for science/research** – traditional STEM computation, social science, economy/finance, Machine Learning, Big Data, and etc.
- **200 of Top500 use Ethernet as their fabric**
- **System Components:** X86 System + Network/Fabric (Ethernet, Infiniband, Omnipath, etc) + Storage + HPC Software*



WAKE FOREST
UNIVERSITY

- Has no Engineering School
- 150 Node HPC and growing
- Business school, School of Romantic Language school use HPC

HPC Components



Linux OS Cluster and
Baremetal Management Layer



HPC
APPs



HPC
APPs

Resource manager + HPC Apps scheduler



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HPC Application Middleware



Generally speaking...

Supercomputer

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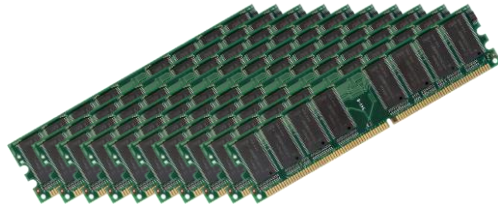
Lots of
processors

+

Lots of
RAM

+

Lots of
disk



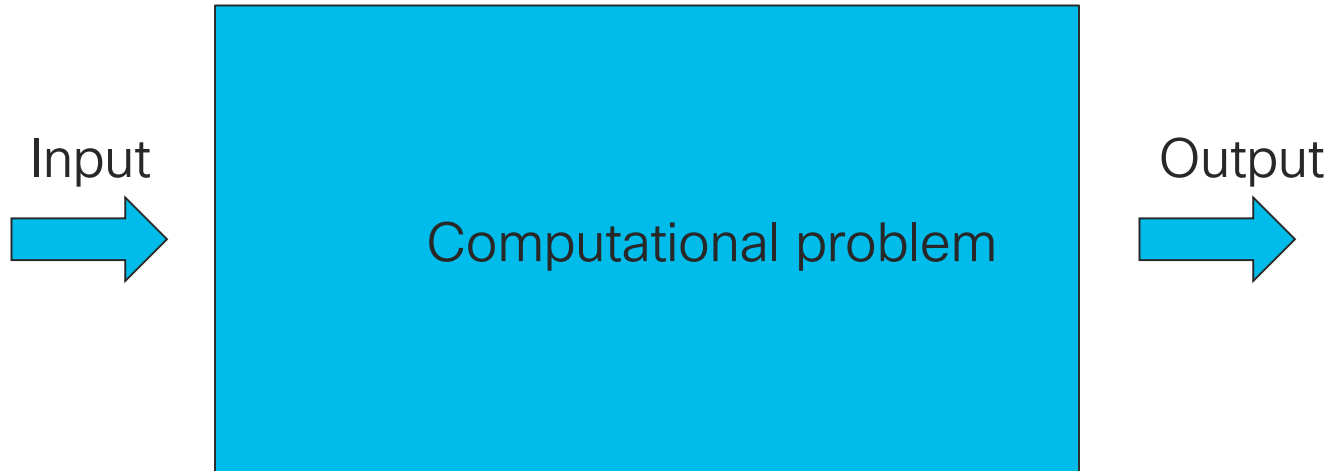
Just a bunch of servers?

The difference between
supercomputers and web farms
and database farms (and ...)

All the servers *act together* to
solve a single computational problem

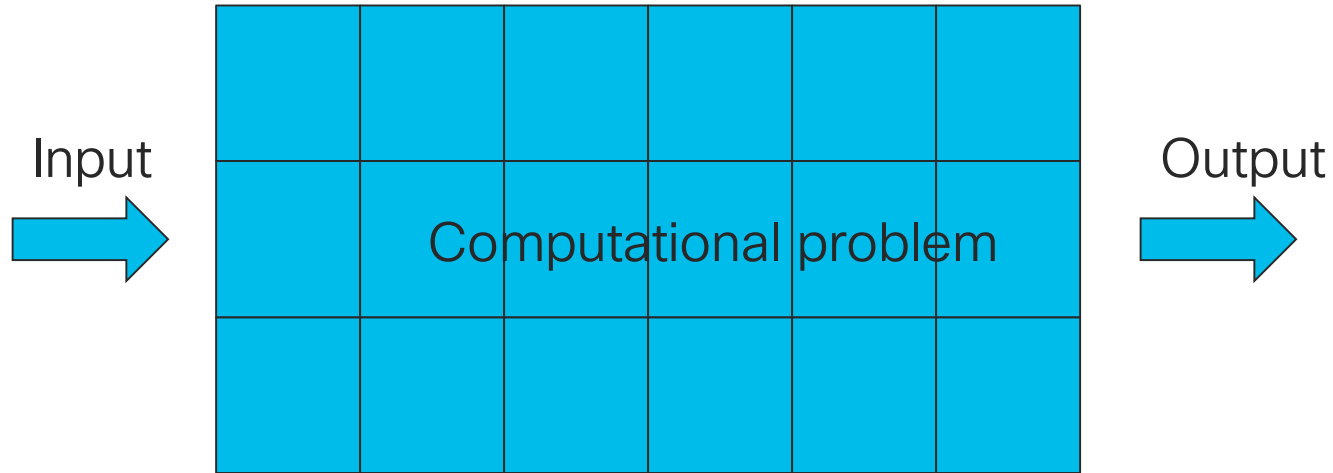
Acting together

Take your computational problem...



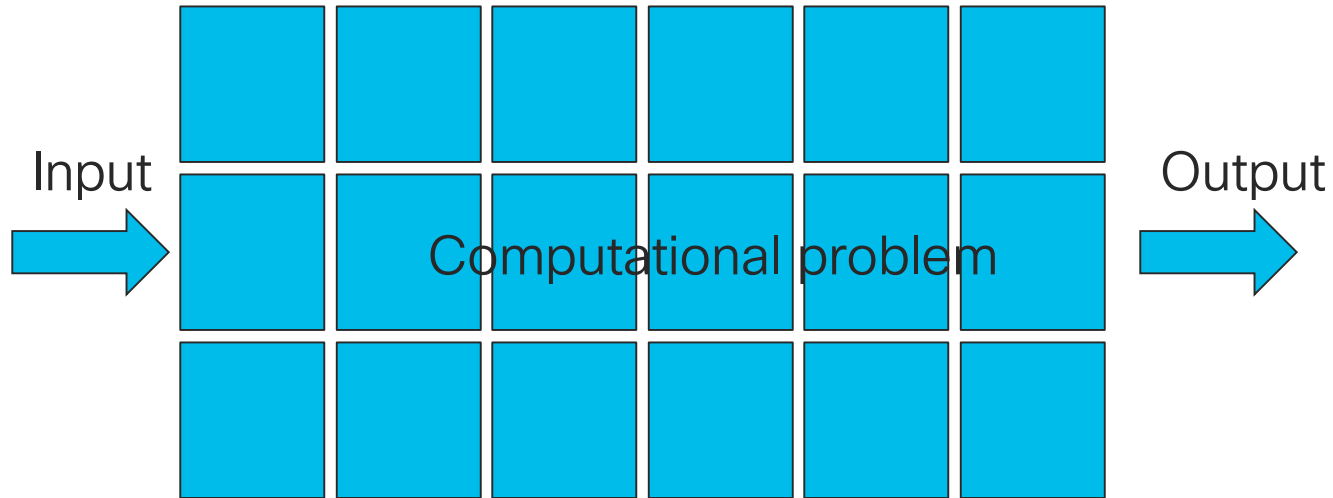
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...and split it up!



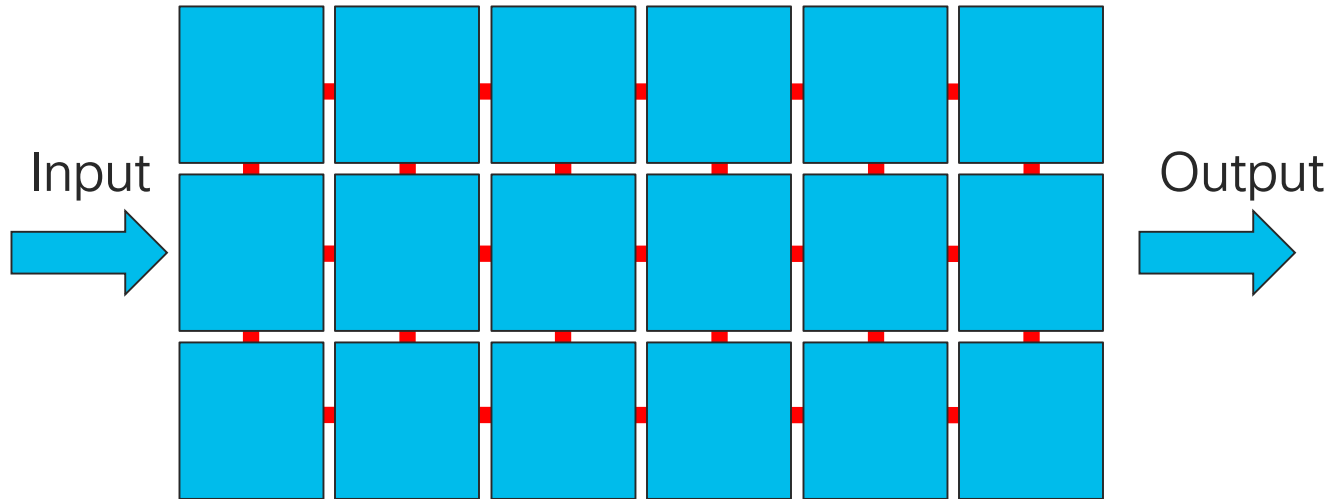
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Distribute the input data
across a bunch of servers



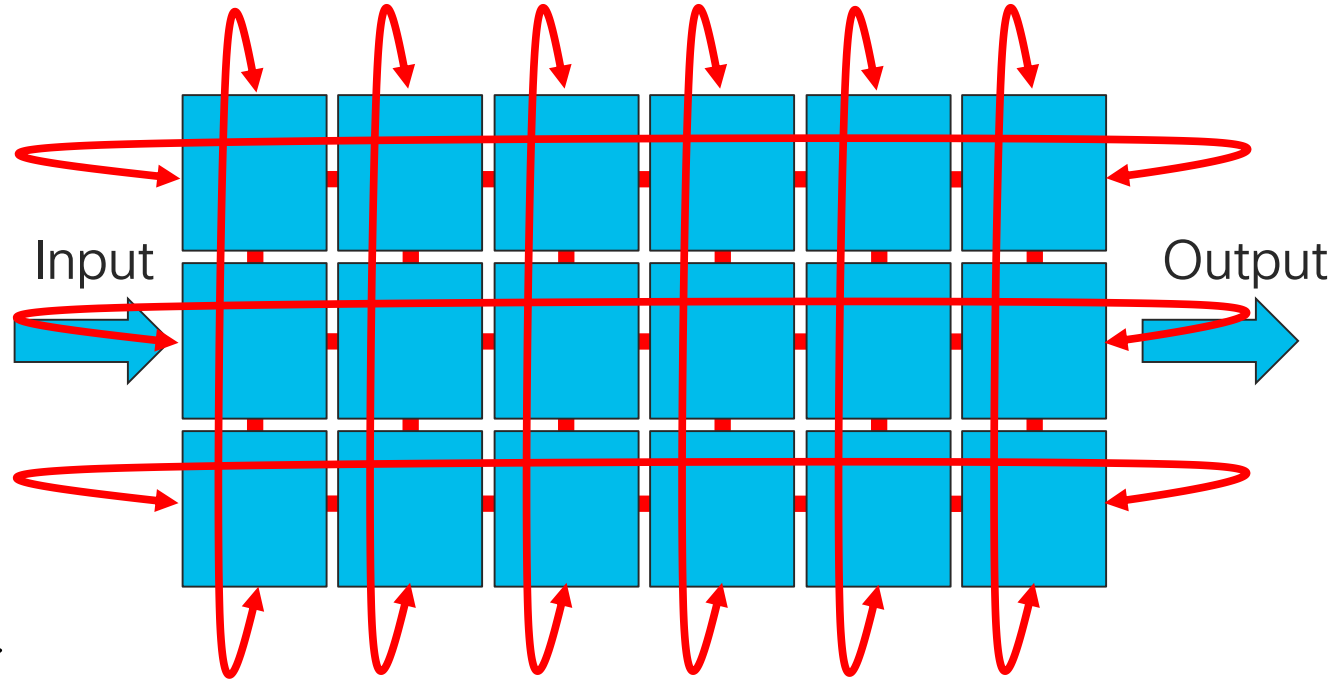
Acting together

Use the network between servers
to communicate / coordinate



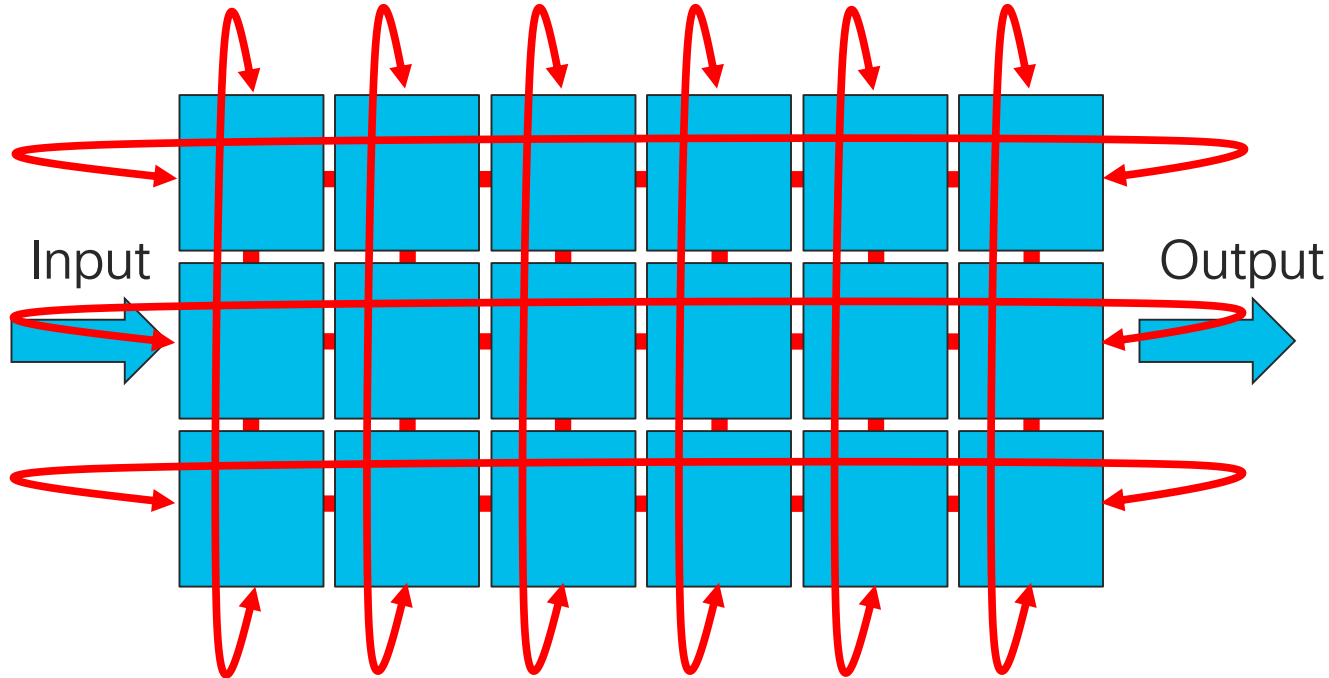
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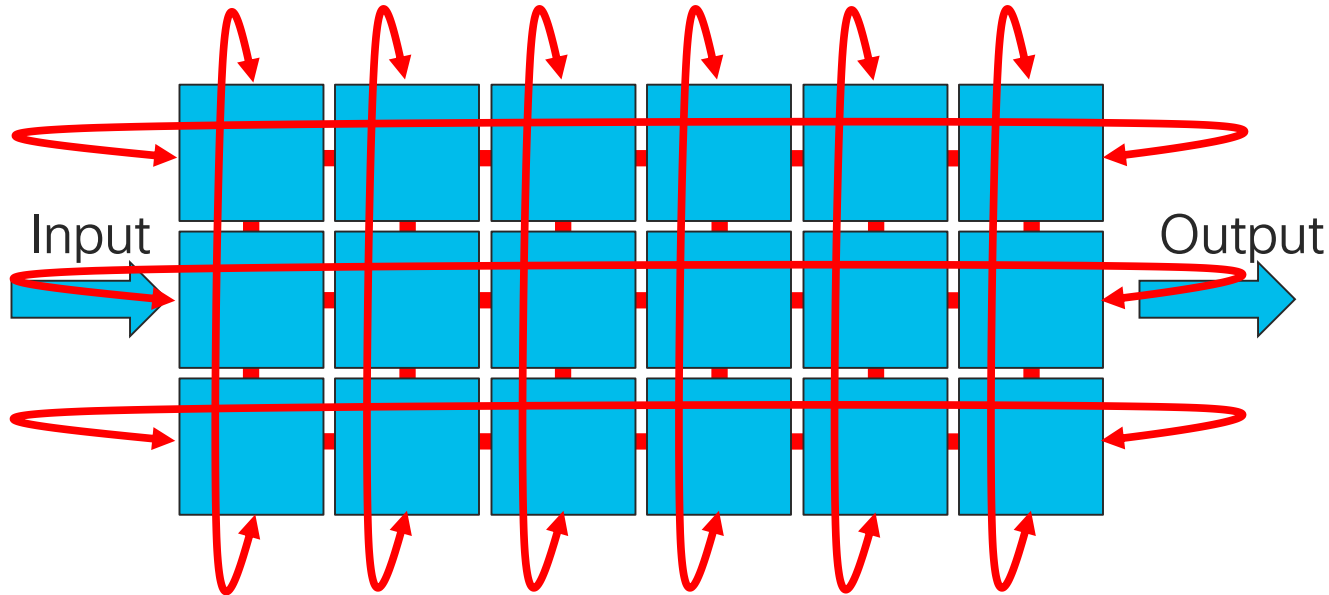
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MPI is used for this communication
(we'll get to MPI in a minute)



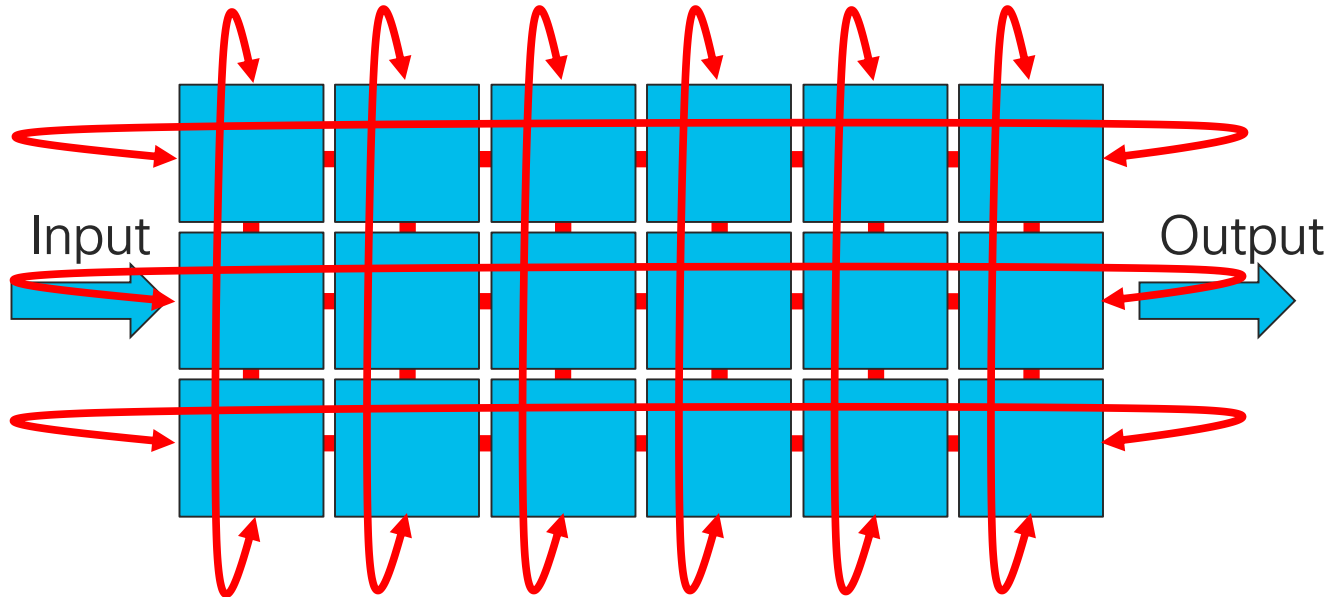
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Many small messages are exchanged
Latency of short messages is extremely important

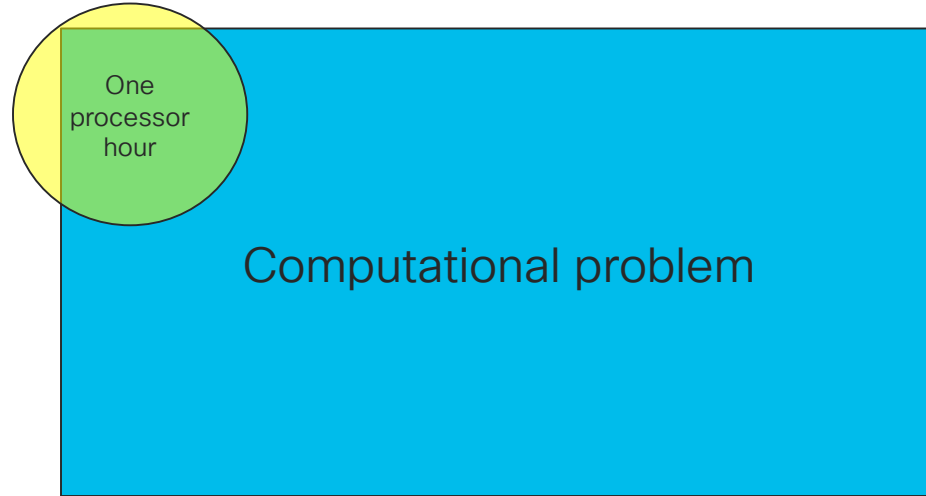


Parallel application

Individual (Linux) processes are running in parallel on each server, coordinating with each other

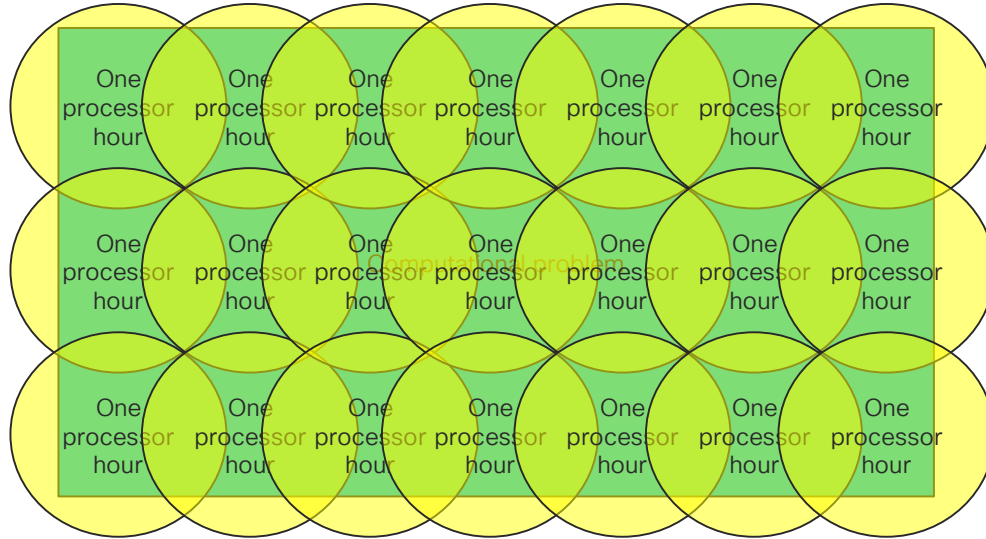


Why go to so much trouble?



1 processor = ...a long time...

Why go to so much trouble?



21 processors = ~1 hour (!)
Disclaimer: scaling is rarely perfect

High Performance Computing

HPC

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Using “supercomputers” to solve
real world problems that are

TOO BIG

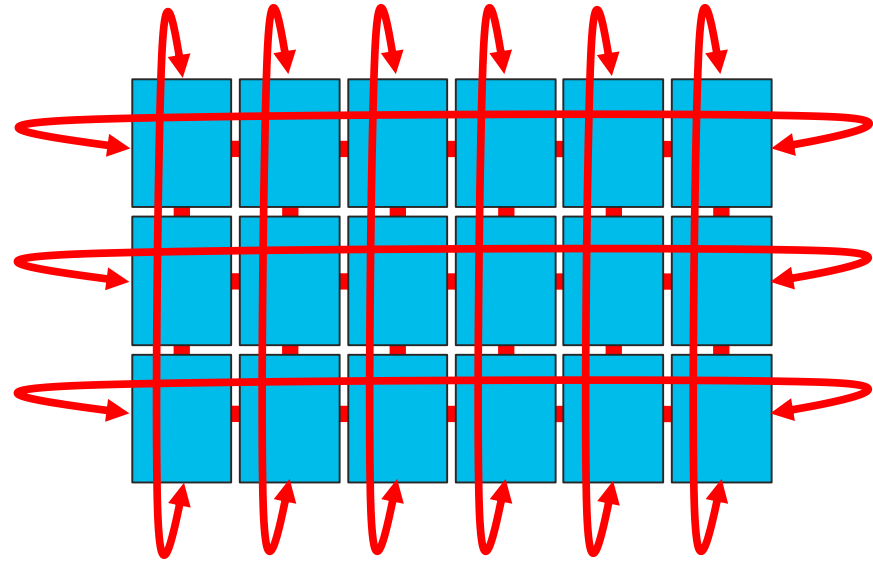
for laptops, desktops,
or individuals servers

Other HPC / TC terms

Tightly coupled application

Each Linux process in the overall parallel application frequently sends short messages, usually to a small number of peer Linux processes.

Network latency -- and congestion management -- of short messages is extremely critical.

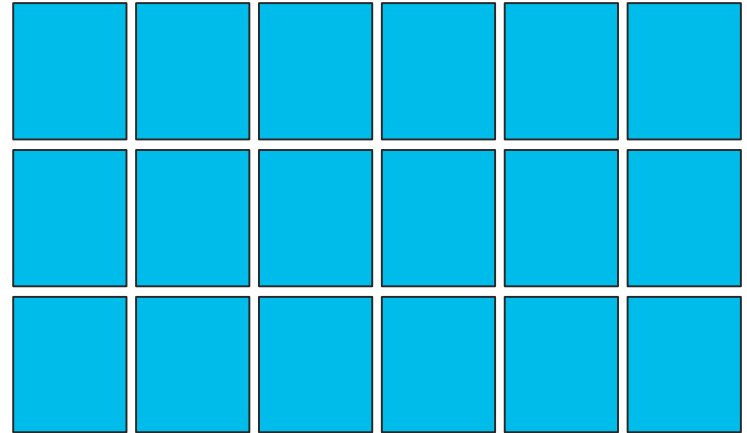


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Embarrassingly parallel application

The overall job is parallel, but little to no communication or coordination is required to compute the final result.

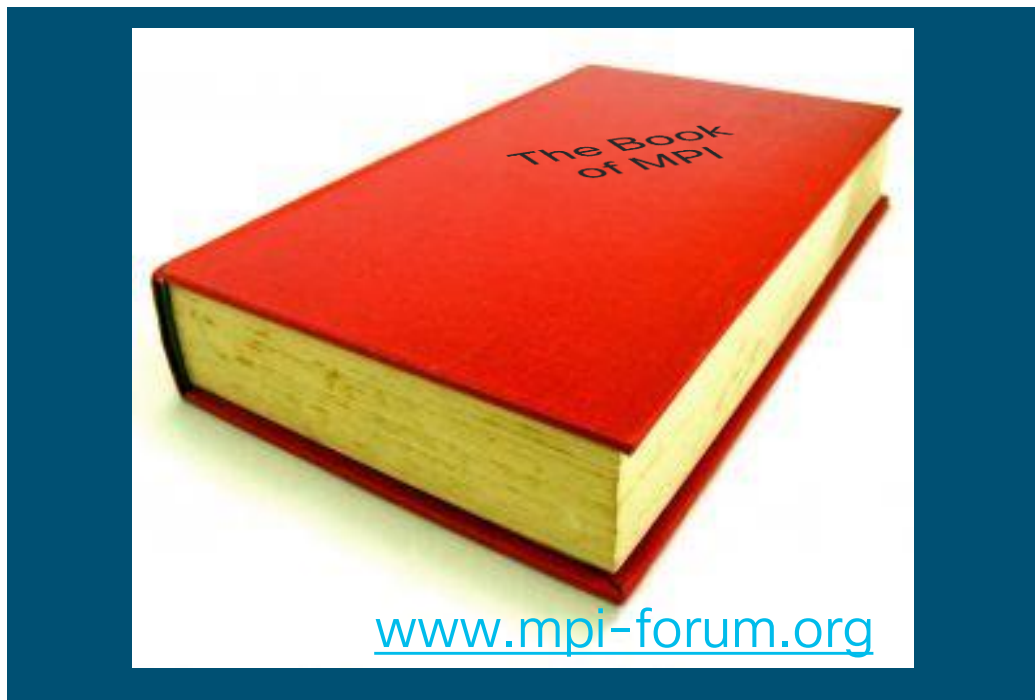
Network latency is likely not a factor. Bandwidth may or may not be, depending on the size of the input / output data sets.



What is MPI?

What is the Message Passing Interface (MPI)?

A standards document



There are many implementations
of the MPI standard

Some are
closed source

Others are
open source

They are usually comprised of
middleware and a runtime

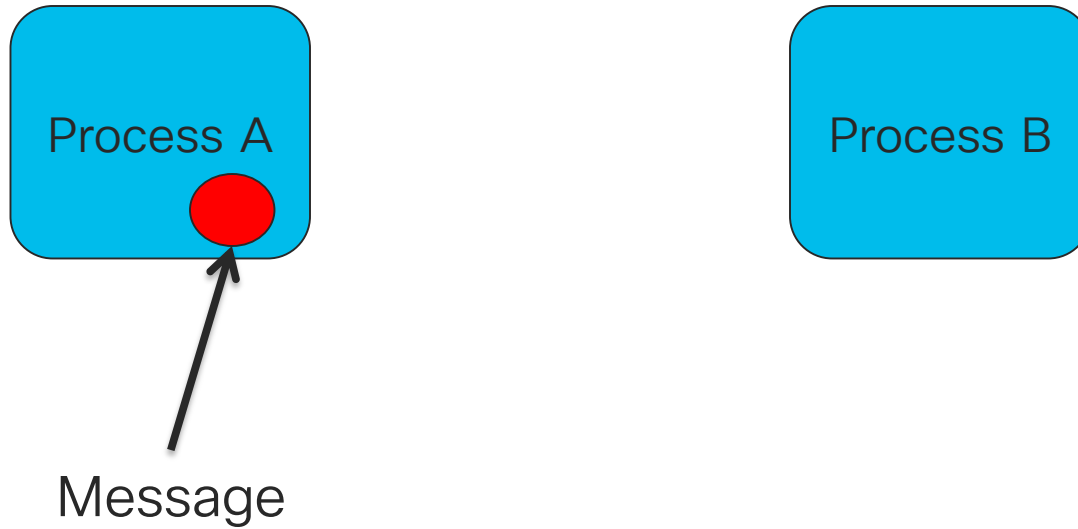
So what is MPI *for*?

Let's break it down...

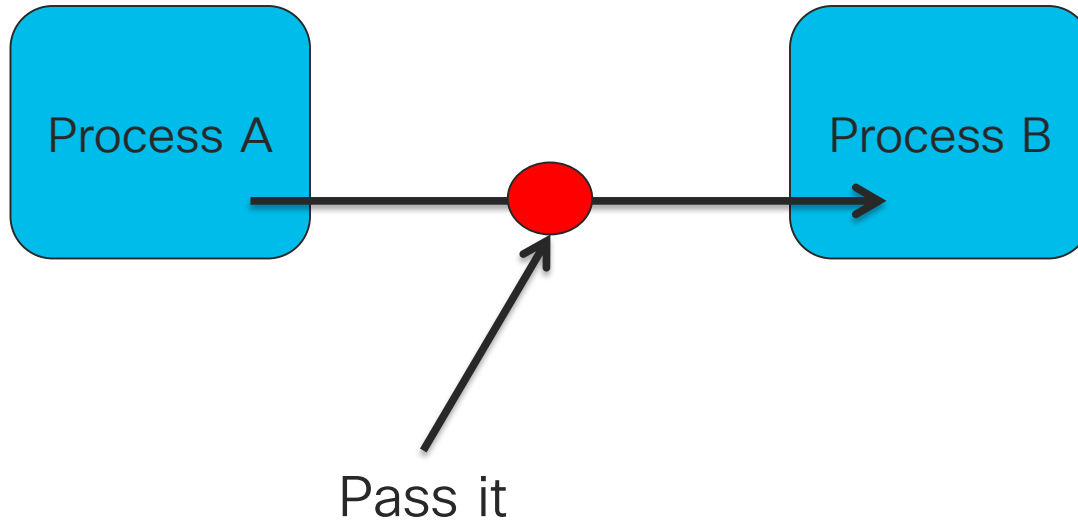
Message Passing

Interface

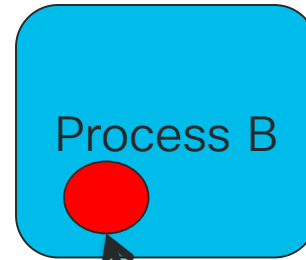
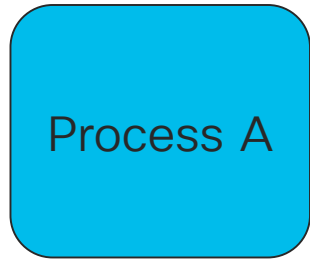
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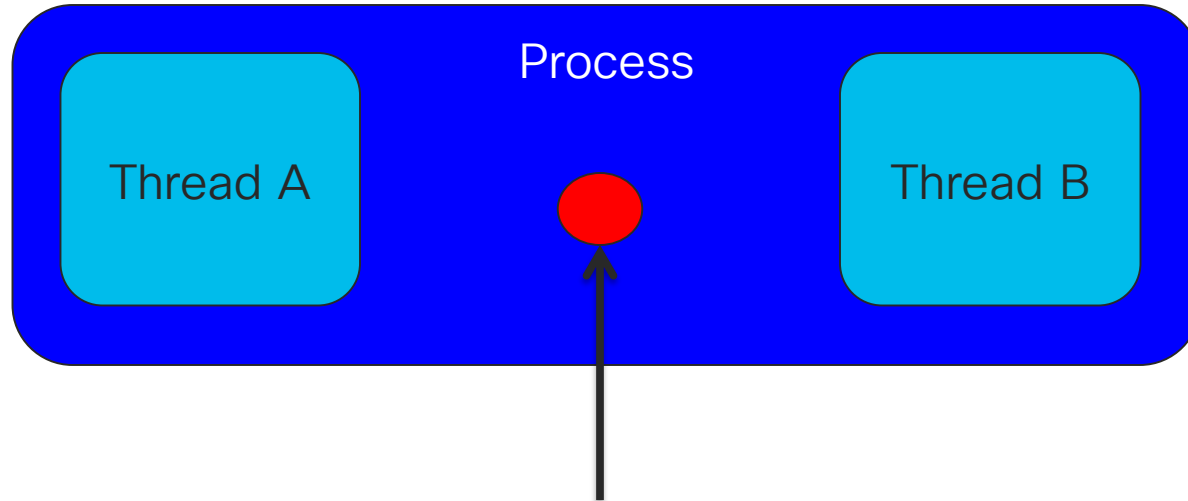


1. Message passing



Message has been passed

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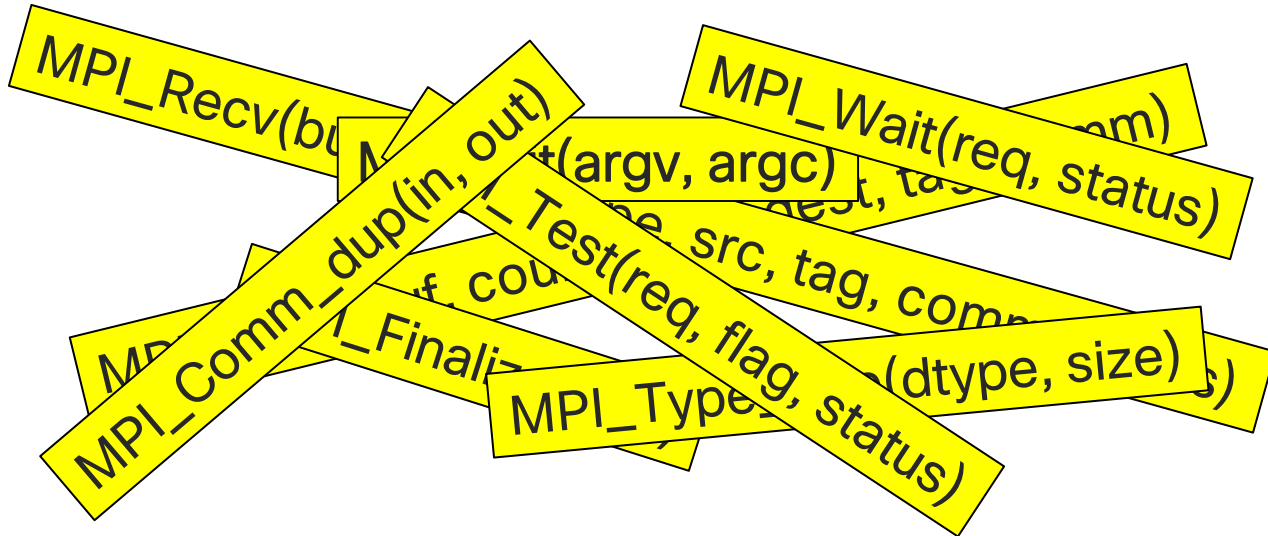


...as opposed to data that is shared

2. Interface

Fortran too!

C programming function calls



Putting it back together



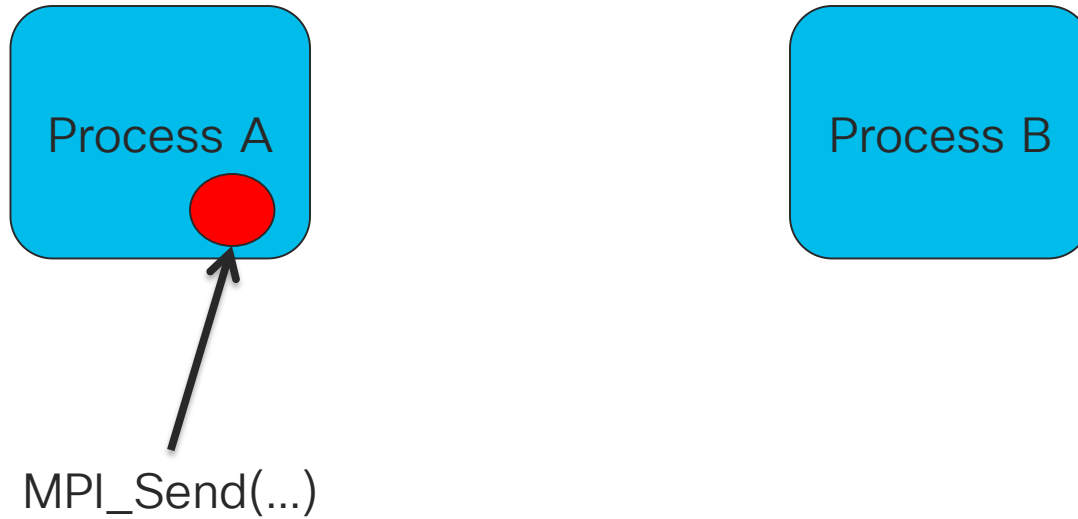
“An interface for passing messages”



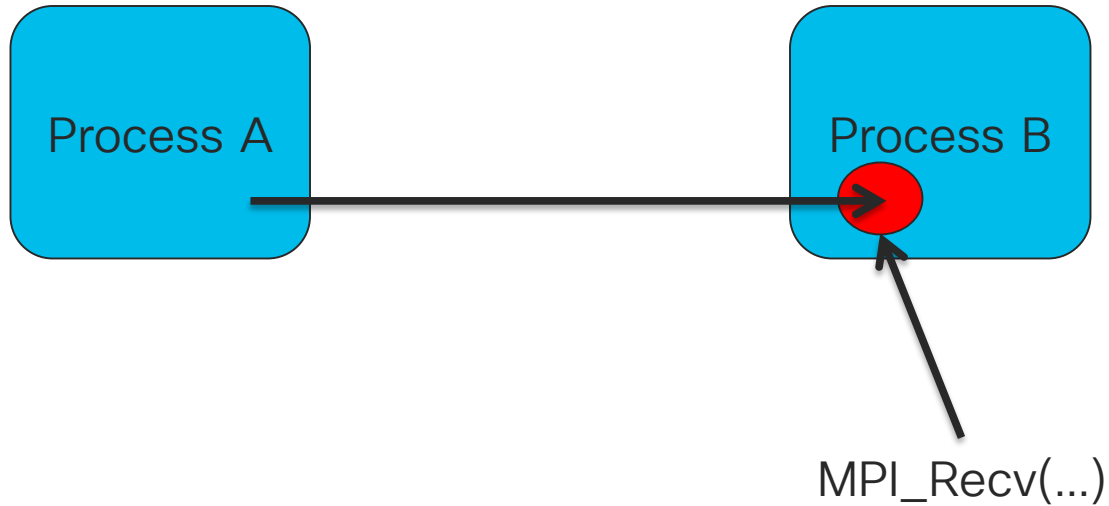
“C functions for passing messages”

A blue rounded rectangular box with a black outline, containing the text "Fortran too!". A blue arrow points from the top-left corner of the box towards the text "C functions for passing messages" above it.

C/Fortran functions for message passing



C/Fortran functions for message passing



Really? Is that all MPI is?

“Can’t I just do that with sockets?”

Yes!
(...and no)

Comparison

- (TCP) Sockets

- Connections based on IP addresses and ports
- Point-to-point communication
- Stream-oriented
- Raw data (bytes / octets)
- Network-independent
- “Slow”

- MPI

- Based on peer integer “rank” (e.g., 8)
- Point-to-point and collective and one-sided and ...
- Message oriented
- Typed messages
- Network independent
- Blazing fast

Comparison

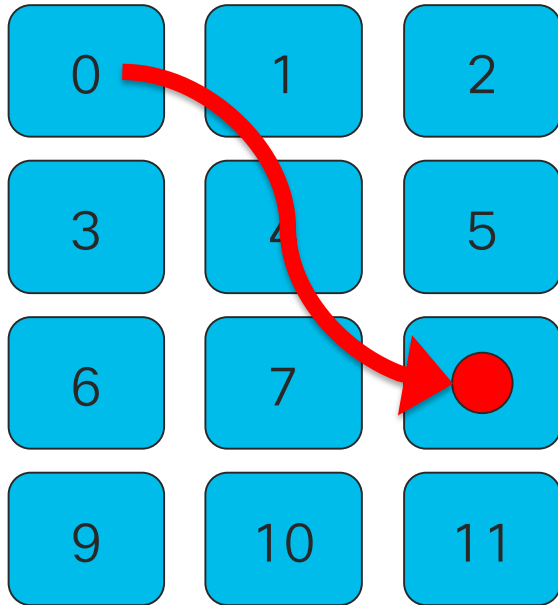
Whoa!
What are these?



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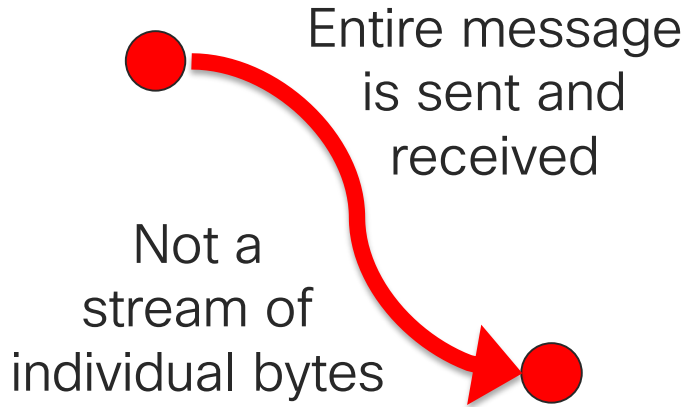
Peer integer “rank”



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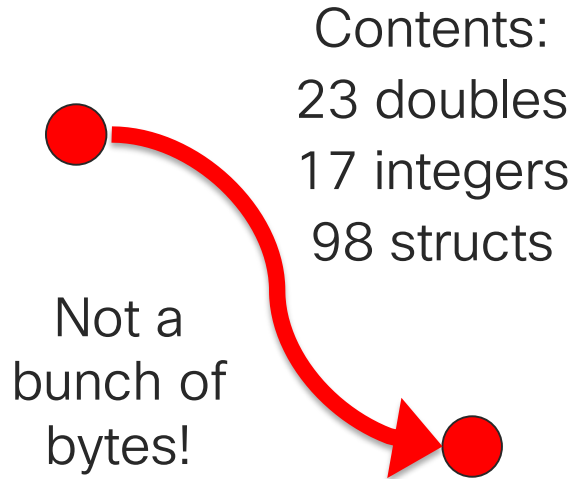
Messages, not bytes



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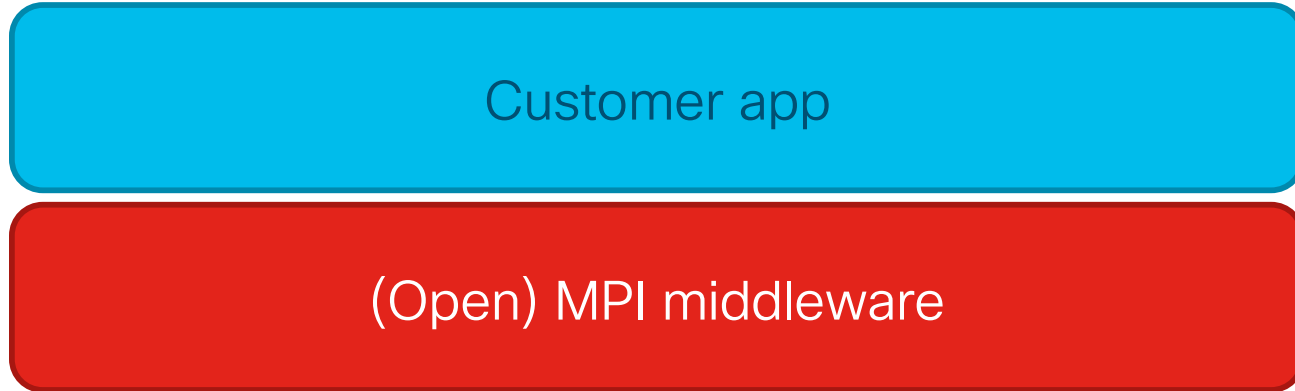
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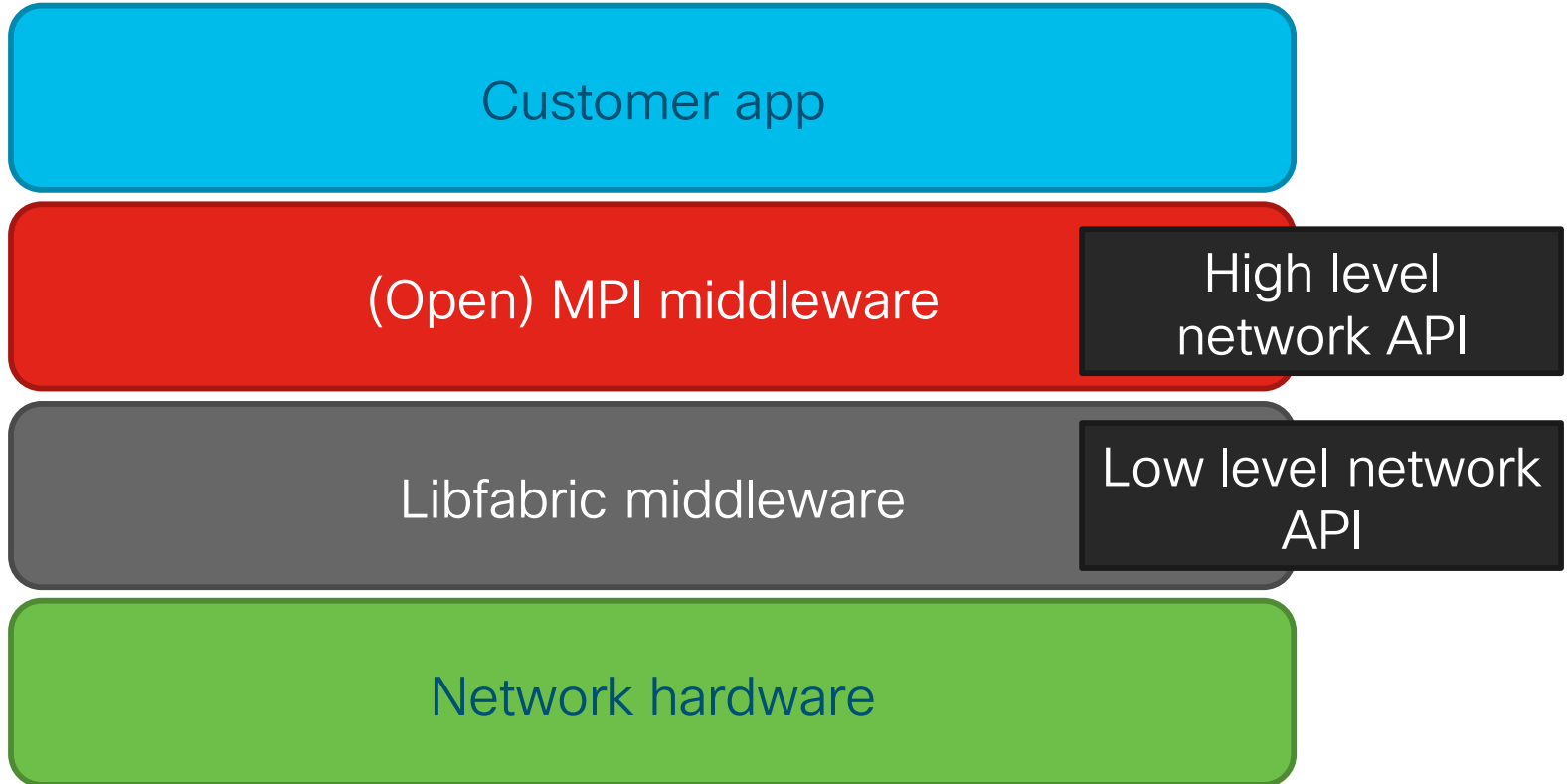
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MPI is the top layer of the API stack



But there's more below that



HPC Cluster Components

Traditional HPC cluster

Head node /
ssh login
server

- Linux on bare metal
- Large RAM
- Used for interactive logins
 - Compile / build applications
 - Submit jobs
- Provides cluster job scheduler, NTP, ...etc.

Traditional HPC cluster

Head node /
ssh login
server

Shared file
storage

- Network file system
 - Possibly served from head node
 - Possibly have distinct file server(s)
 - May be traditional NFS
 - Or may be a parallel filesystem
- Available across entire cluster

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storage

Compute node

Compute node

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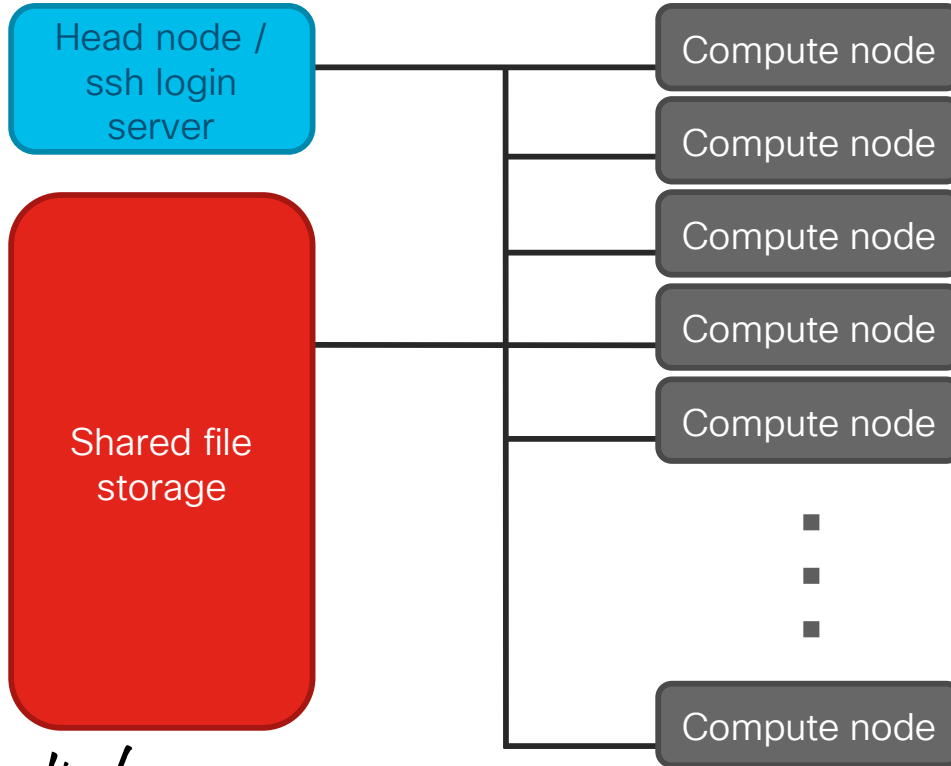
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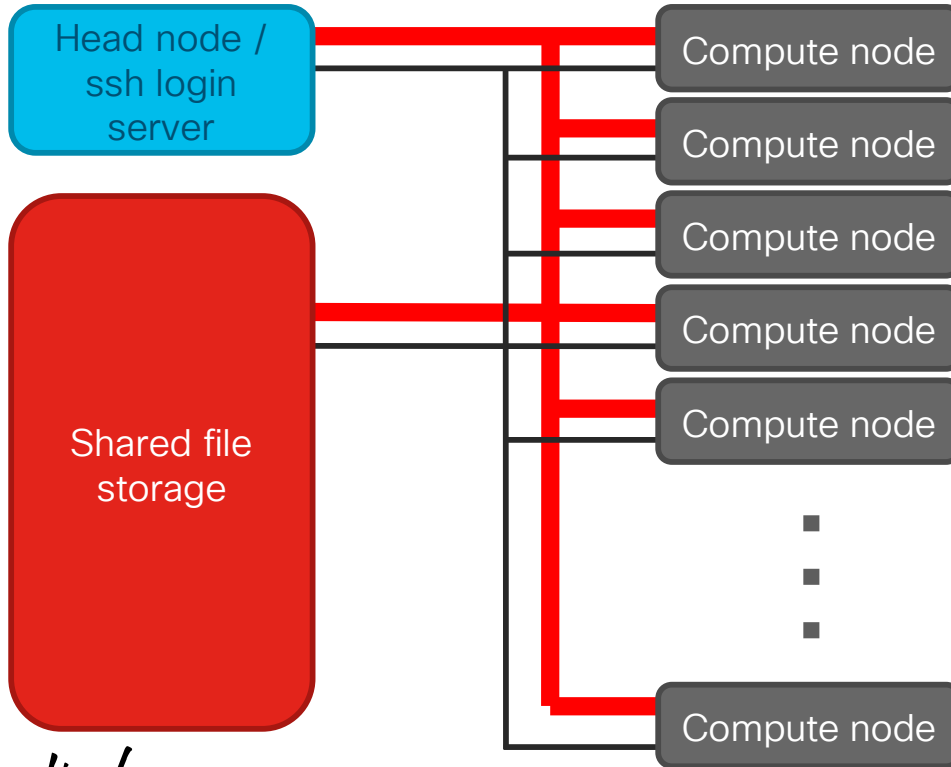
- Large number of compute nodes
- Each compute node:
 - High end Xeon processor
 - 2-8 GB RAM per core
 - Minimal local disk
 - (customers have different religions about the specifics)

Traditional HPC cluster



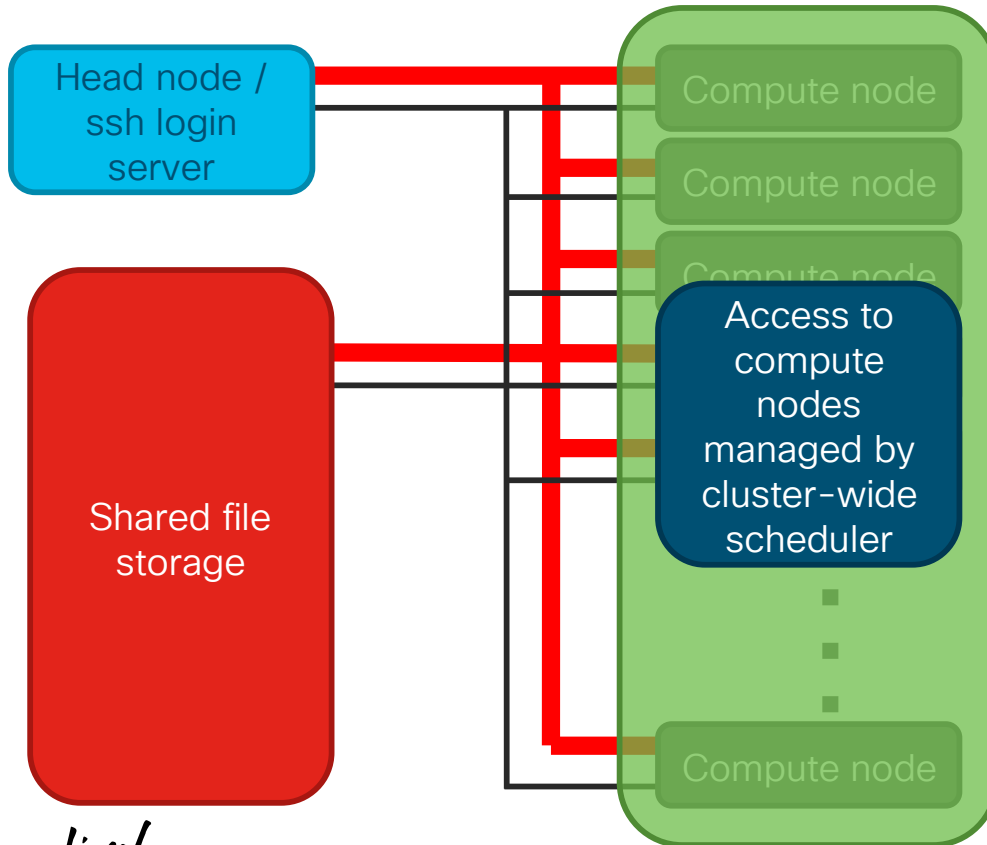
- Low end cluster
 - A single Ethernet/TCP/IP network
 - Possibly even 1 Gbps

Traditional HPC cluster



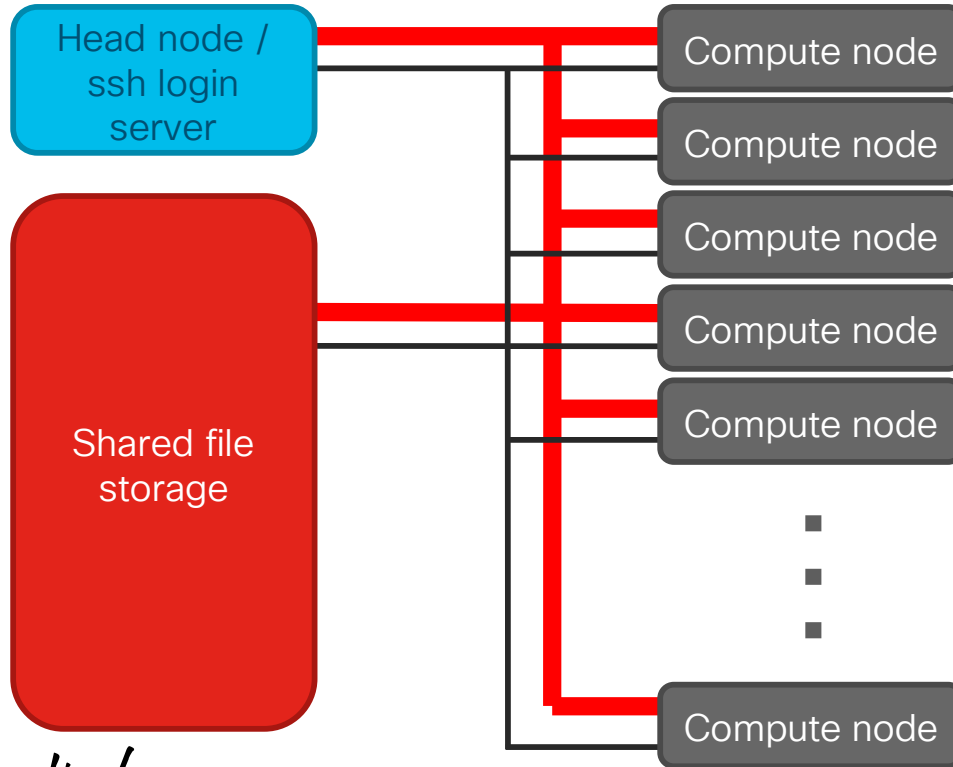
- Mid / high end cluster
 - Cheap Ethernet network for command / control (1/10/40GE)
 - Low latency network for east-west traffic, e.g., InfiniBand.

Traditional HPC cluster



- Scheduler to submit jobs
 - SLURM, LSF, Torque, PBS, ...
- OS/compute node provisioning
 - Bright, XCAT, LSF, ...
 - Some customers have home-grown solutions
 - Will NOT be virtual machines

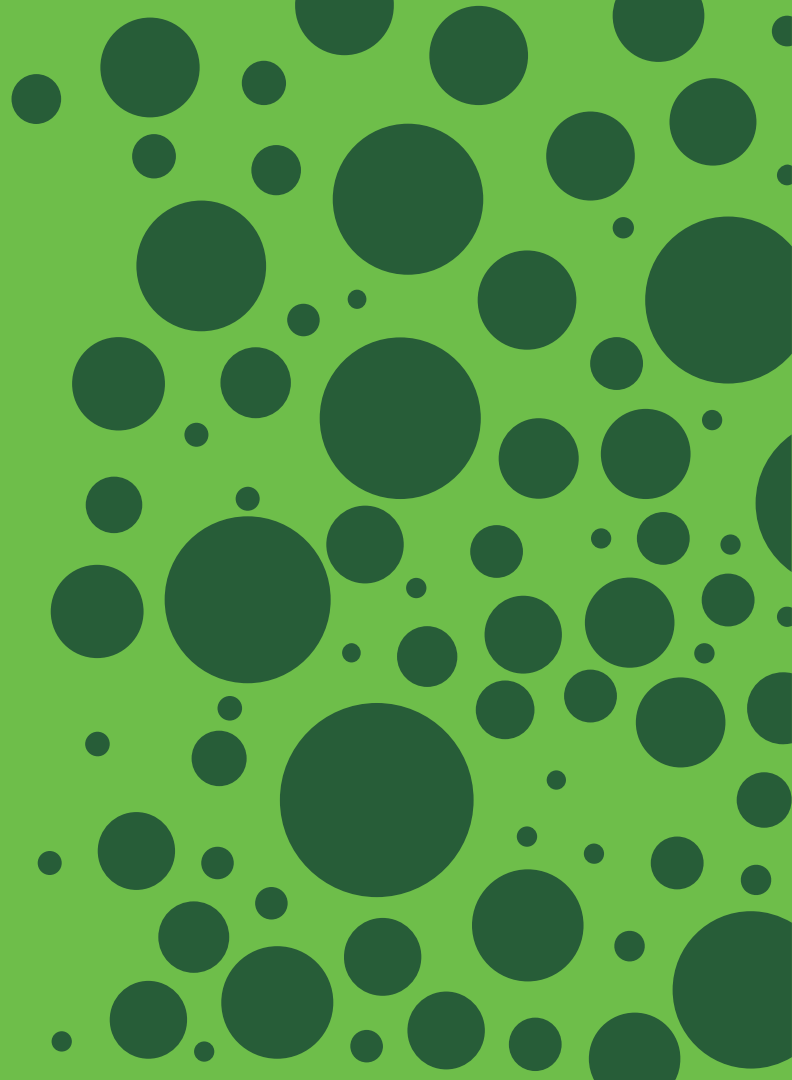
Traditional HPC cluster



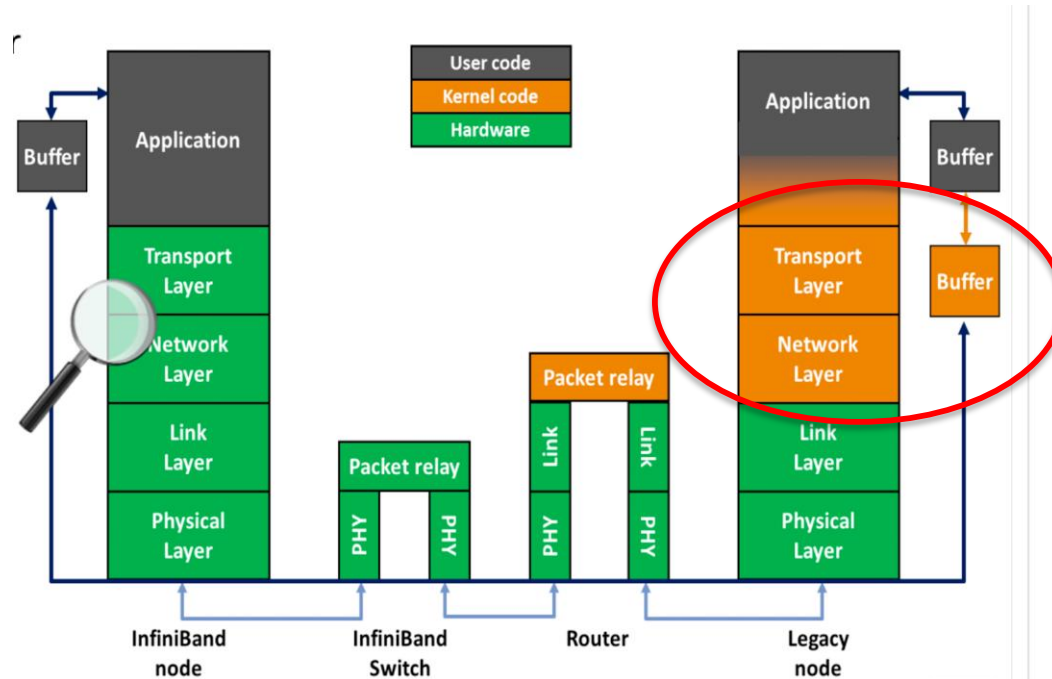
- General purpose clusters
 - Run all kinds of HPC applications
 - Usually for large institutions with many internal customers
- Specific purpose clusters
 - Run only one (or small set of) parallel application(s)
 - Usually a small set of users

HPC Fabric Types

Infiniband

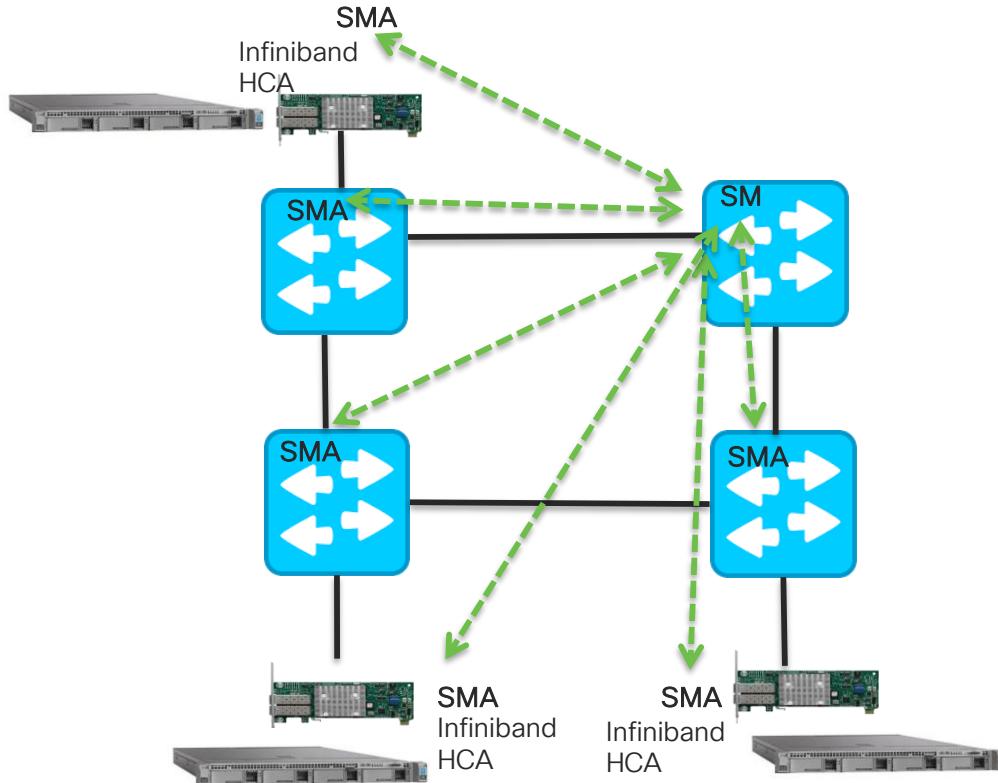


Infiniband Network Stack From a Host Perspective



Infiniband leverages *Kernel Bypass* for it does not use OS TCP/IP Stack. It reduces latency.

Infiniband - Simple L2 Routing Network



Subnet Manager (SM) – Runs on switch or on server. It communicates with Subnet Manager Agents (SMA). SM can be thought as a master or a controller.

Subnet Manager Agent (SMA) – Runs on switches and HCA. And it communicates with SM. SM can be thought as SMA as slaves.

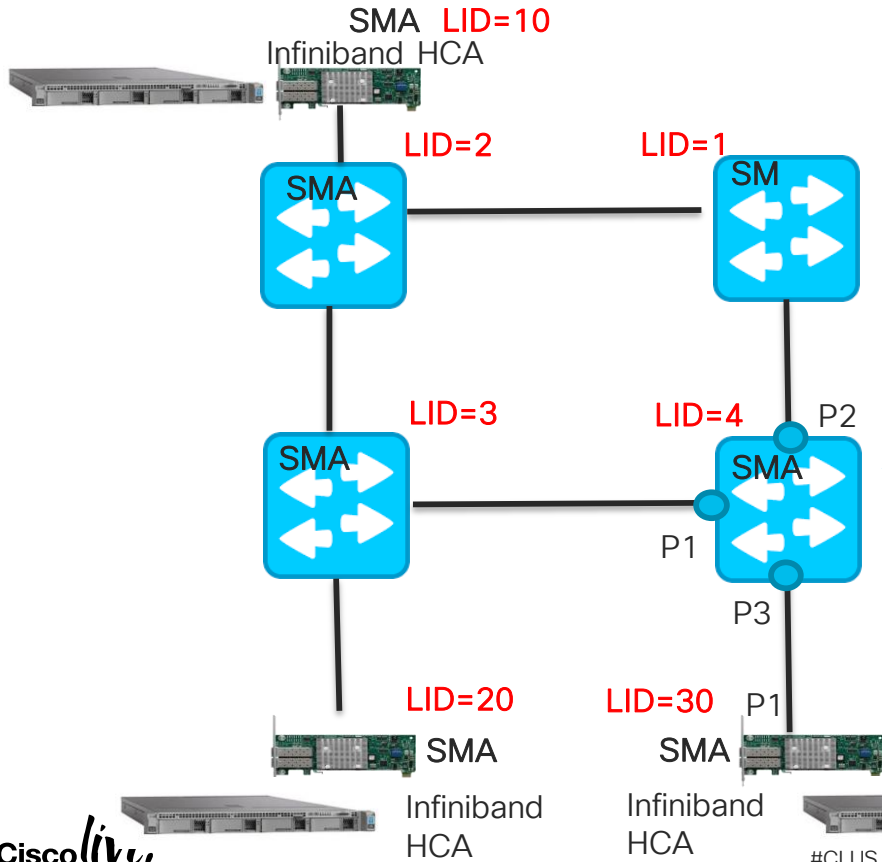
SM assigns 16 bit Link ID (LID) to all switches and Host Channel Adapters (HCA) – LID is a L2 address (think as MAC Address).

SM calculates L2 routing

Several routing algorithm available. Popular one is shortest-path routing (Dijkstra algorithm).

SM pushes the routing table to SMA.

Infiniband - Sample Routing



Destination LID	Output Port
10	P1, P2
20	P1
30	P3

Destination LID	Output Port
*	P1

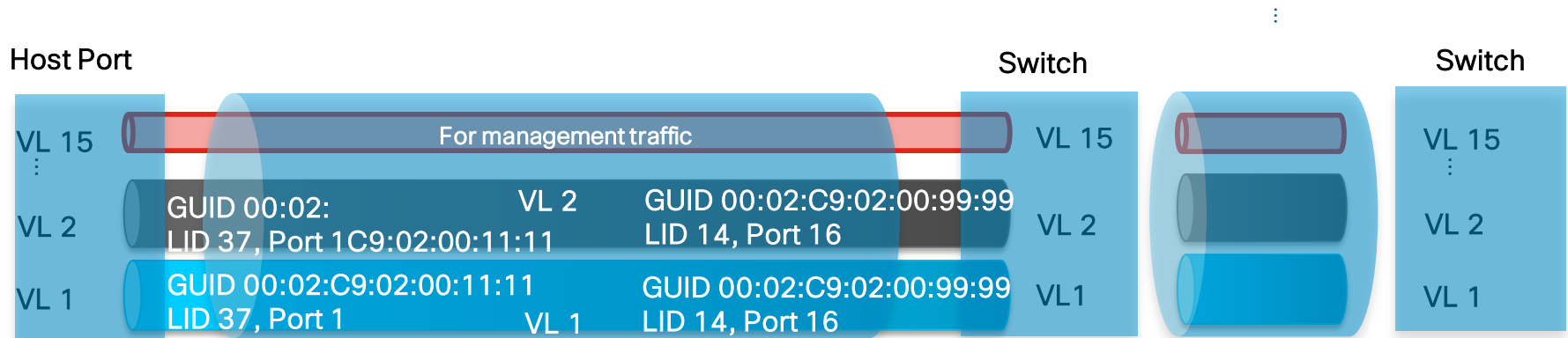
Infiniband Network QoS

Virtual Lanes

- Each Virtual Lane uses different buffers to send its packet toward the other side.
- VL 15 is Subnet Manager (mgmt) traffic only
- VL 0-7 are used for traffic

Credit Based Flow Control

- Receiver calculates credit limit sends the info to the Transmitter.
- Transmitter only transmit packets if there are enough credit limits to the packets it can send.



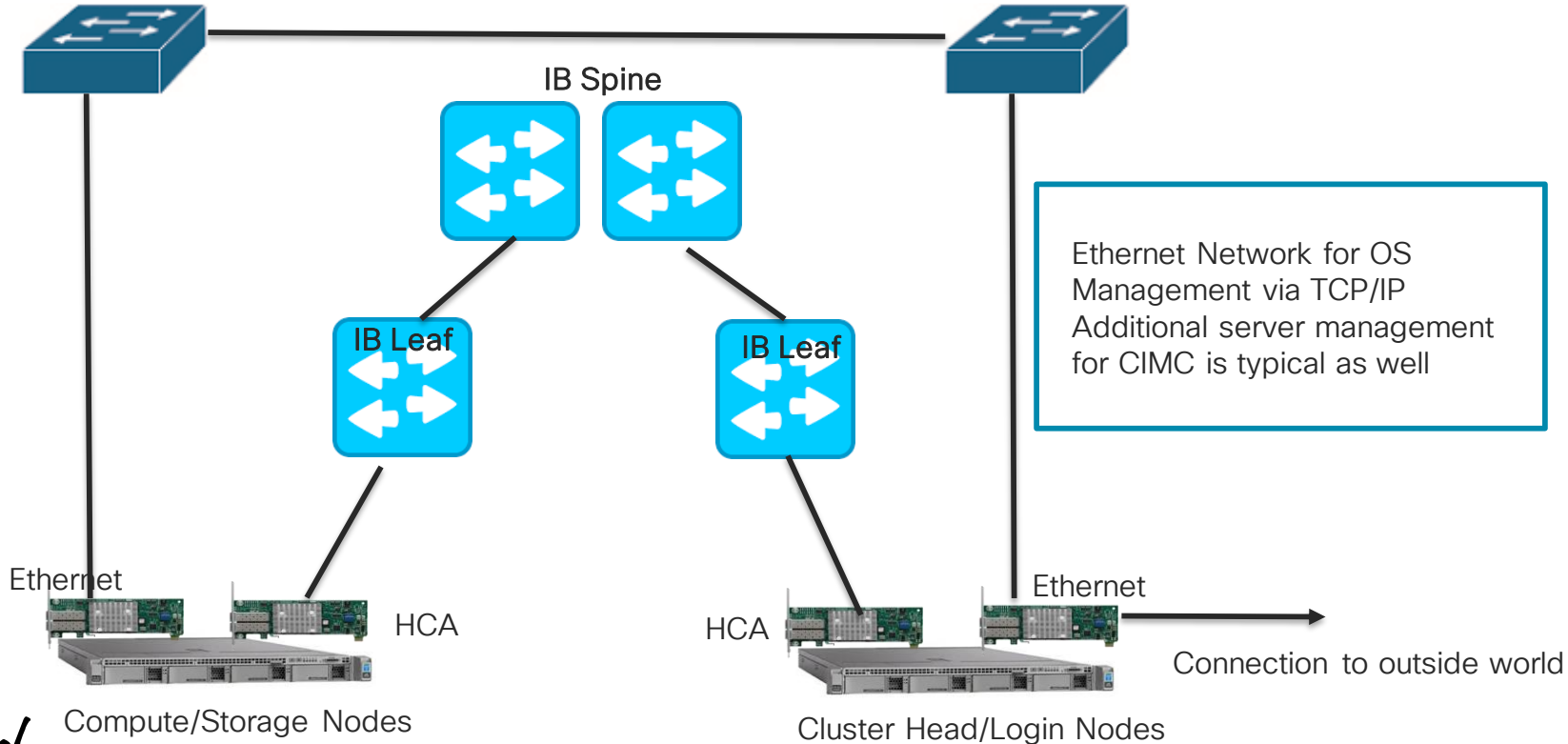
*GUID = 128 bit L3 Address analogous to IP subnet.



Typical Infiniband Network

Ethernet Management SW

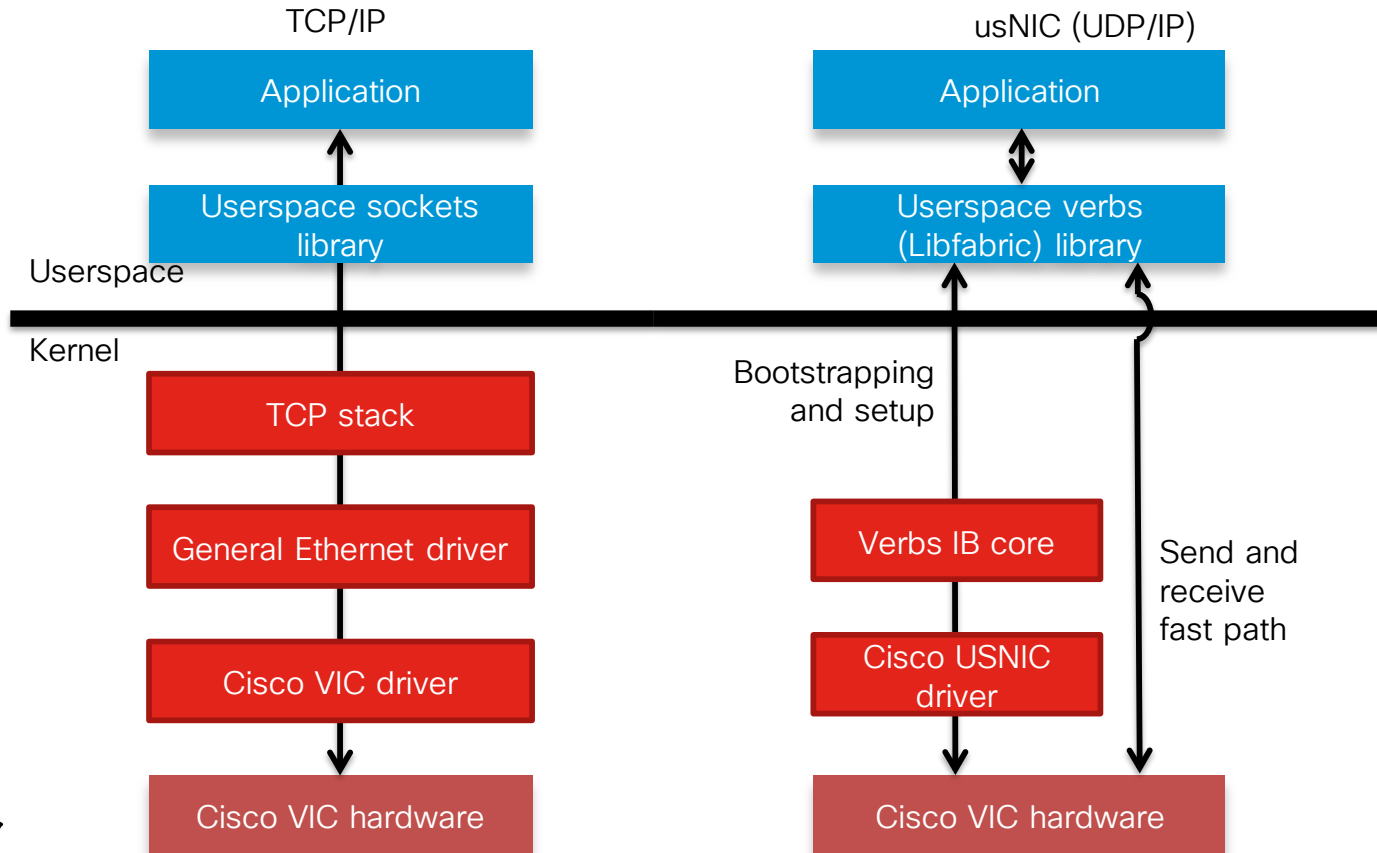
Ethernet Management SW



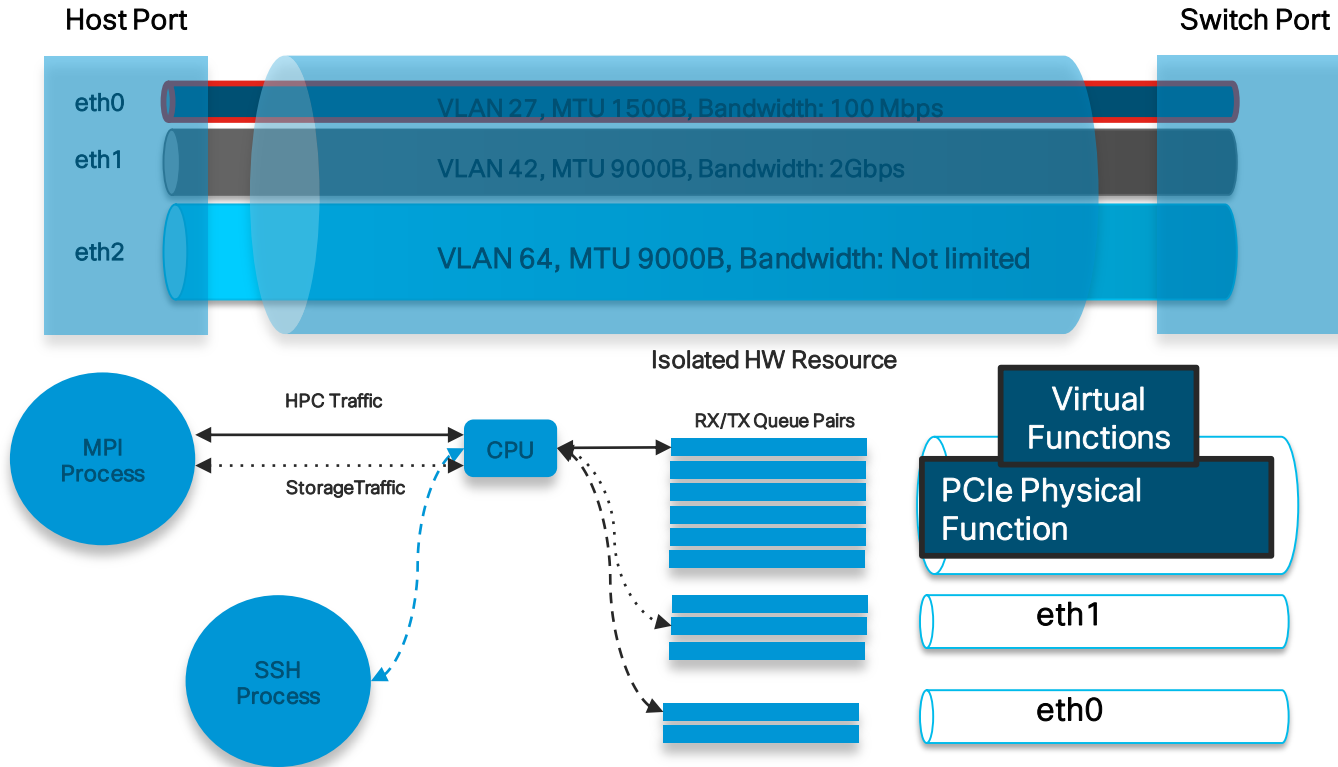
Ethernet is Here

- Ethernet is most widely used L2 Technology - networking can be managed by IT group.
- Ethernet is growing rapidly with many options (1/10/25/40/50/100G) - Infiniband vendors expanding Ethernet solutions
- More and more ultra-low latency Ethernet NICs and switches options are available
- Most Ethernet switches use store and forward operation. For low latency cut-through switching is employed.
- Ethernet in HPC fabric typically means “TCP/IP” thus “slow”.

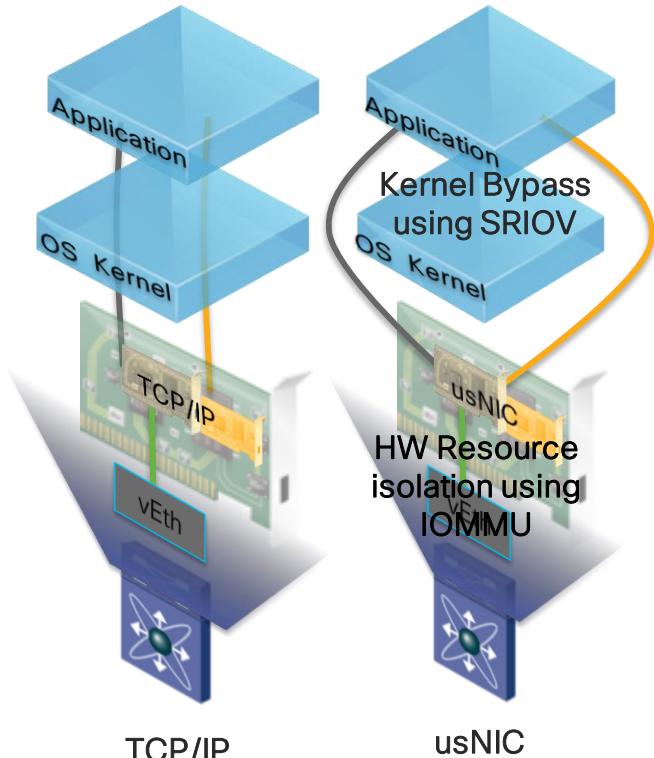
Cisco Ethernet/usNIC OS bypass



usNIC Network QoS

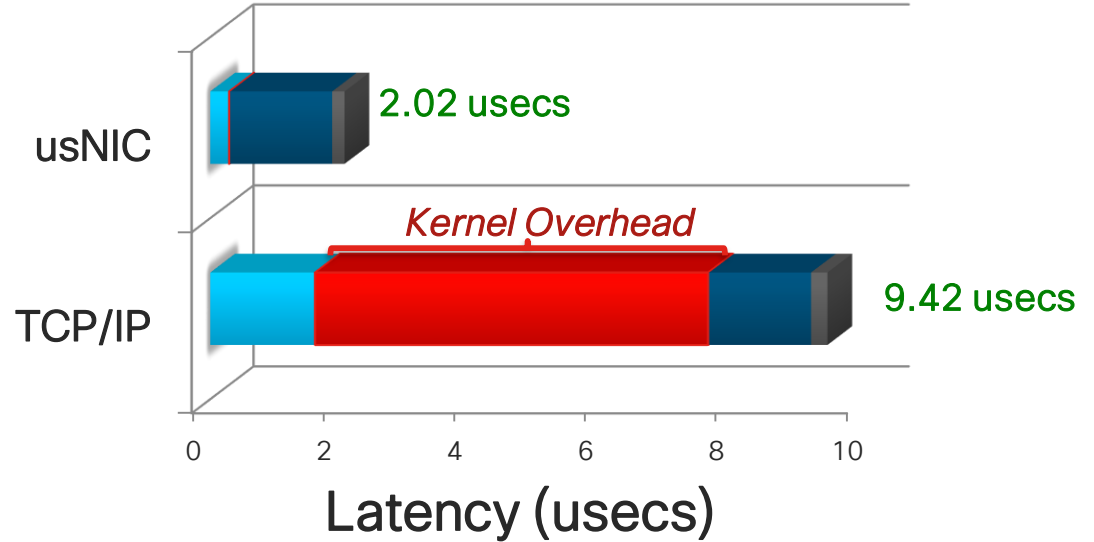


App to App Latency Factors



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App to App Latency Components

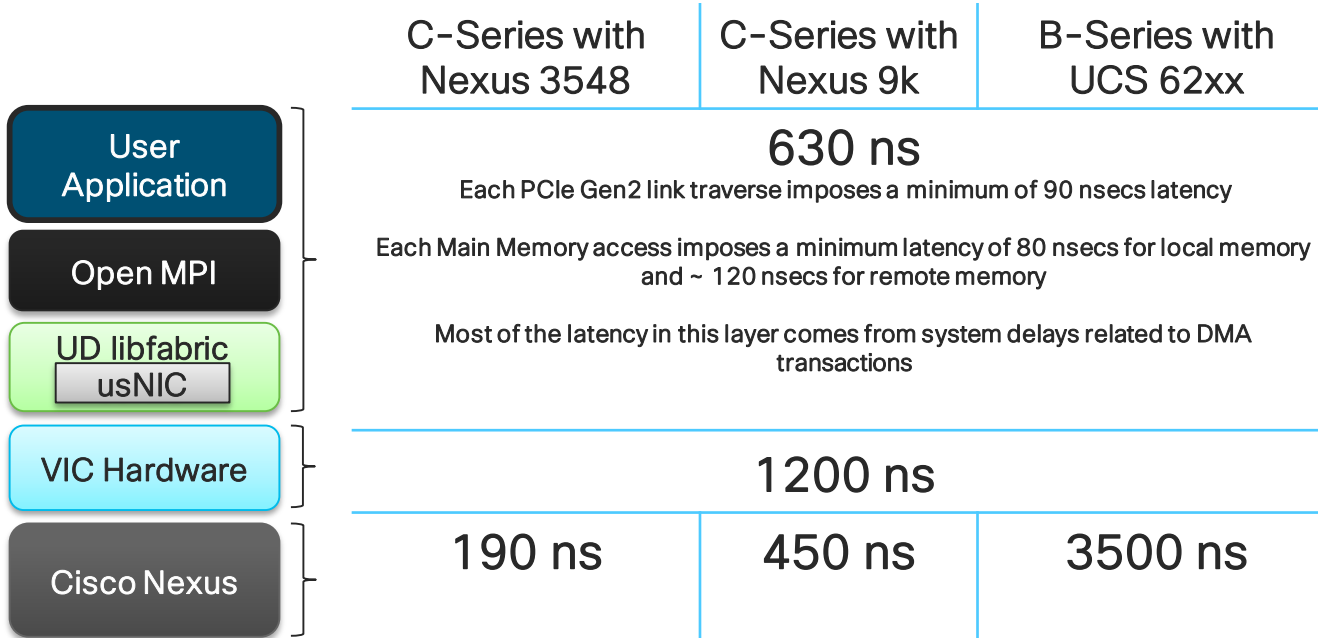


■ Middle Ware ■ Kernel ■ NIC ■ Network

Dual Functionality! -> We can use single cable for management and fabric traffic

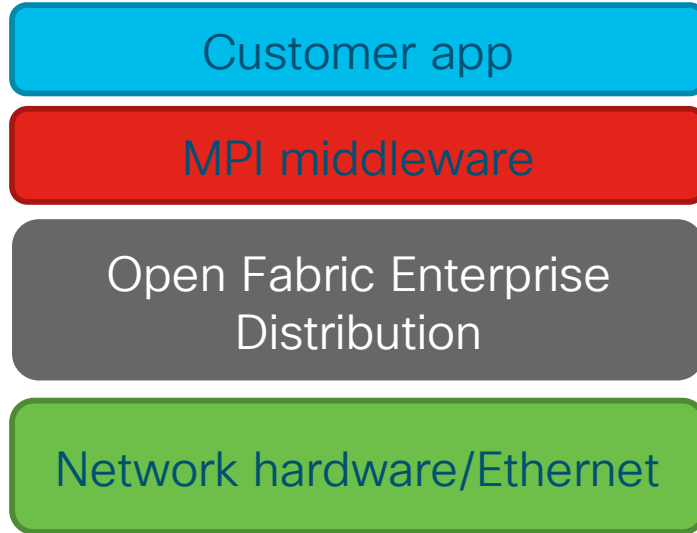
Networking Latency Comparison

Cisco C-Series vs. B-Series



RDMA over Converged Ethernet (RoCE)

*Existing Infiniband based HPC applications do not need modifications

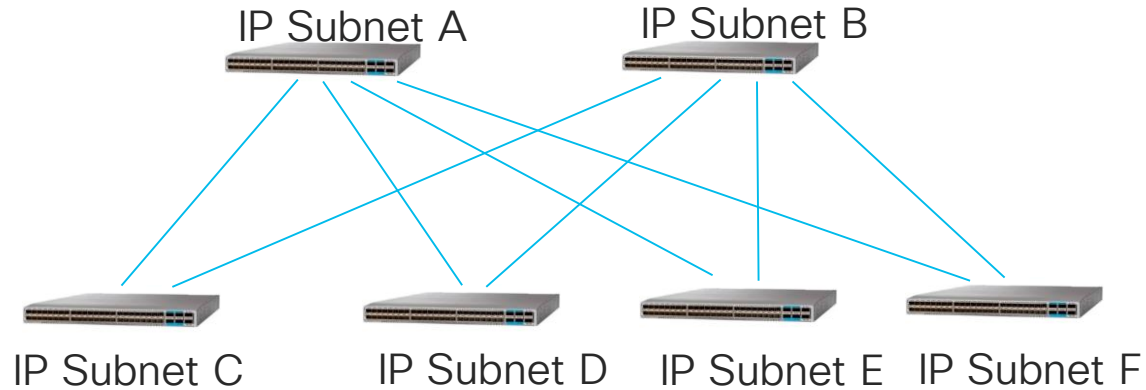


RDMA supports [zero-copy](#) networking by enabling the [network adapter](#) to transfer data directly to or from application memory, eliminating the need to copy data between application memory and the data buffers in the operating system.

The RoCEv2 protocol exists on top of either the UDP/IPv4 or the UDP/IPv6 protocol.^[2] The UDP destination port number 4791 has been reserved for RoCE v2.^[10] Since RoCEv2 packets are routable the RoCE v2 protocol is sometimes called Routable RoCE^[11]

What is RoCE v2

Spine and Leaf



*Because RoCE v2 is IP routable, the topology can be fully meshed.

Nexus PFC Support for RoCE

```
switch (config)# interface Ethernet1/1
switch (config-if)# flowcontrol receive on
switch (config-if)# flowcontrol send on
switch (config)# interface Ethernet1/1
switch (config-if)# flowcontrol receive on
switch (config-if)# flowcontrol send on
switch (config)# class-map type qos RDMA
switch (config-cmap-qos)# match cos 0
switch (config-cmap-qos)# exit
```

<-- RDMA is just the name of the class

<-- Classify all traffic with CoS 0, in this case untagged traffic.

Nexus PFC Support for RoCE

```
switch (config)# policy-map type network qos QOS_NETWORK
```

<-- QOS_NETWORK is just the name of the policy

```
switch (config-pmap-nqos)# class type network-qos RDMA
```

<-- Use the RDMA class as the traffic that will be policed in this case.

```
switch (config-pmap-nqos-c)# pause pfc-cos 0
```

<-- Pause all classified traffic that has CoS 0

```
switch (config-pmap-nqos-c)# exit
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switch (config-pmap-nqos)# exit
```

```
switch (config)# system qos
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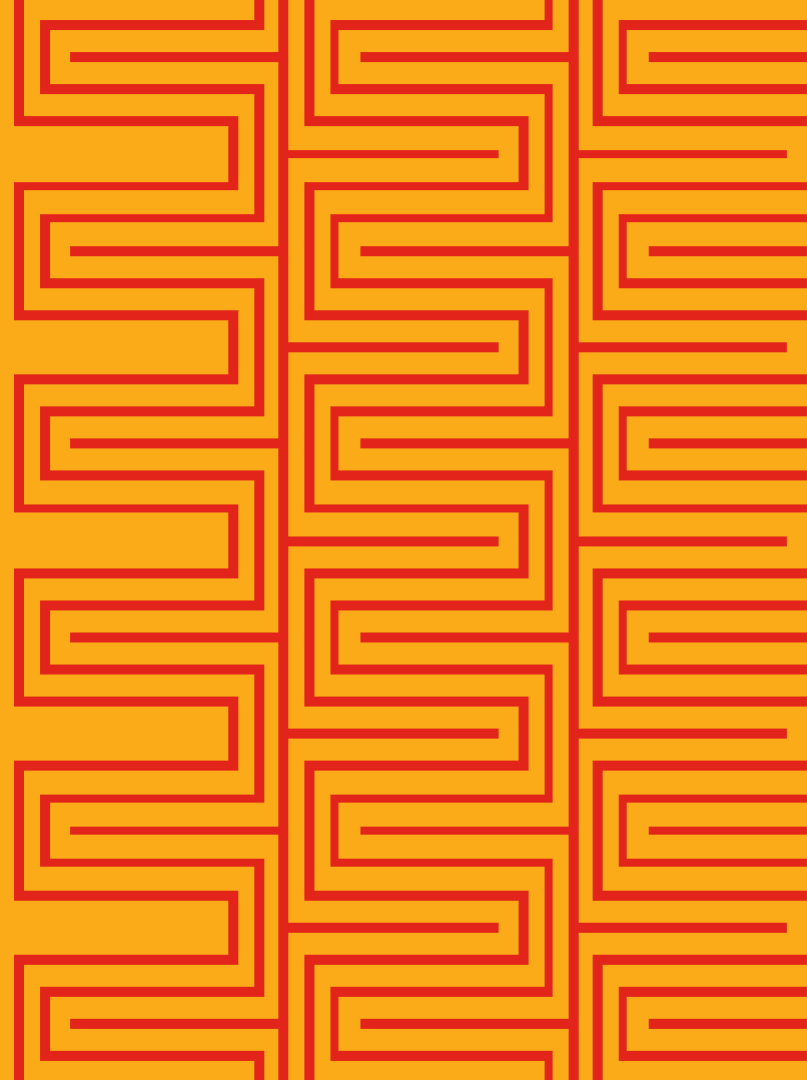
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switch (config)# service-policy type network-qos QOS_NETWORK
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<-- Apply QOS_NETWORK policy to the switch (all ports)

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Cluster Management and Scheduling Demonstration



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Servers

Unified Computing Systems

M5 – Blade Servers



UCS B200 M5

Ideal for Bare Metal Enterprise, VDI, or Dense Virtualization/ Consolidation Workloads

Up to two Intel Xeon Processor Scalable Family (Max: 56 Cores total)

24 DIMMs, up to 3TB

Up to 80 Gbps I/O

Up to 2 NVIDIA P6 GPUs

Up to 2 SD/M.2 cards

Up to 2 SFF HS drives



UCS B480 M5

High Performance Platform designed for Compute-Intensive and Memory-Intensive Enterprise Workloads

Up to four Intel Xeon Processor Scalable Family (Max: 112 Cores total)

48 DIMMs, up to 6TB

Up to 160 Gbps I/O

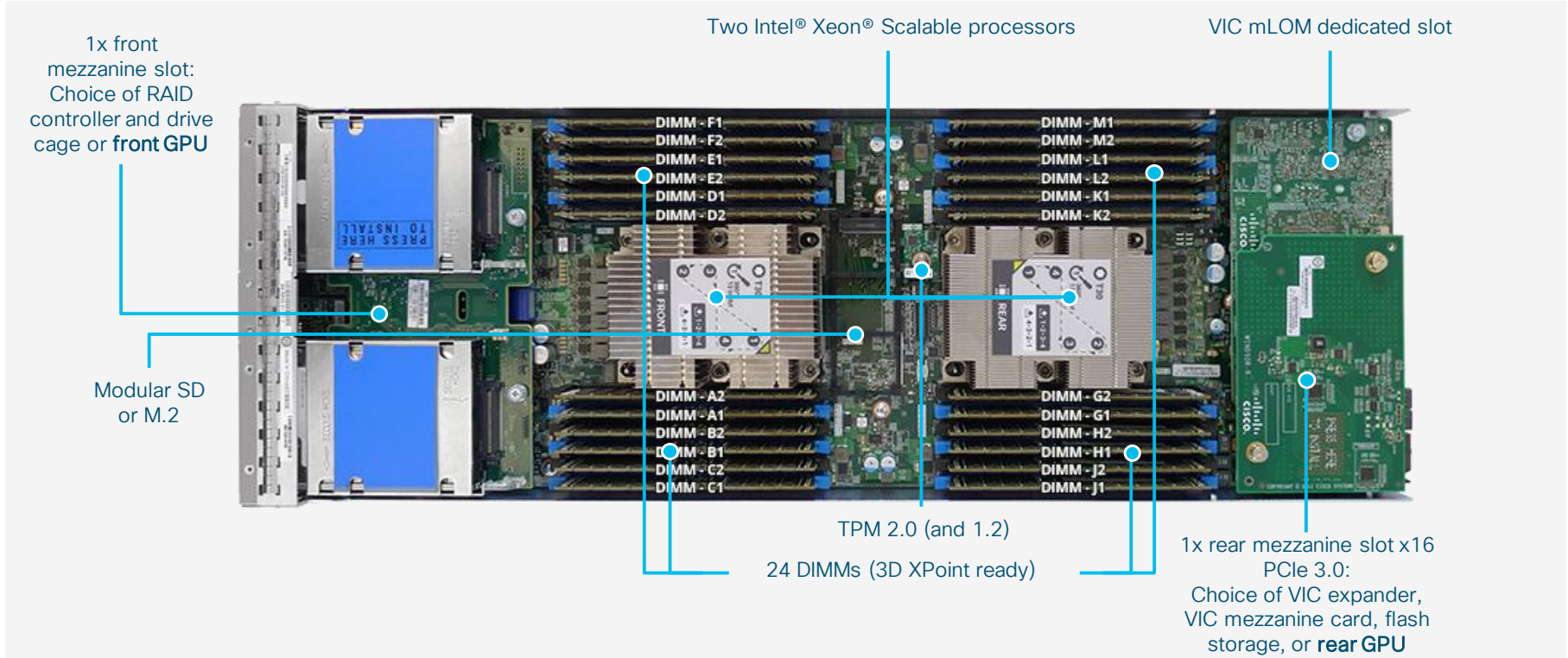
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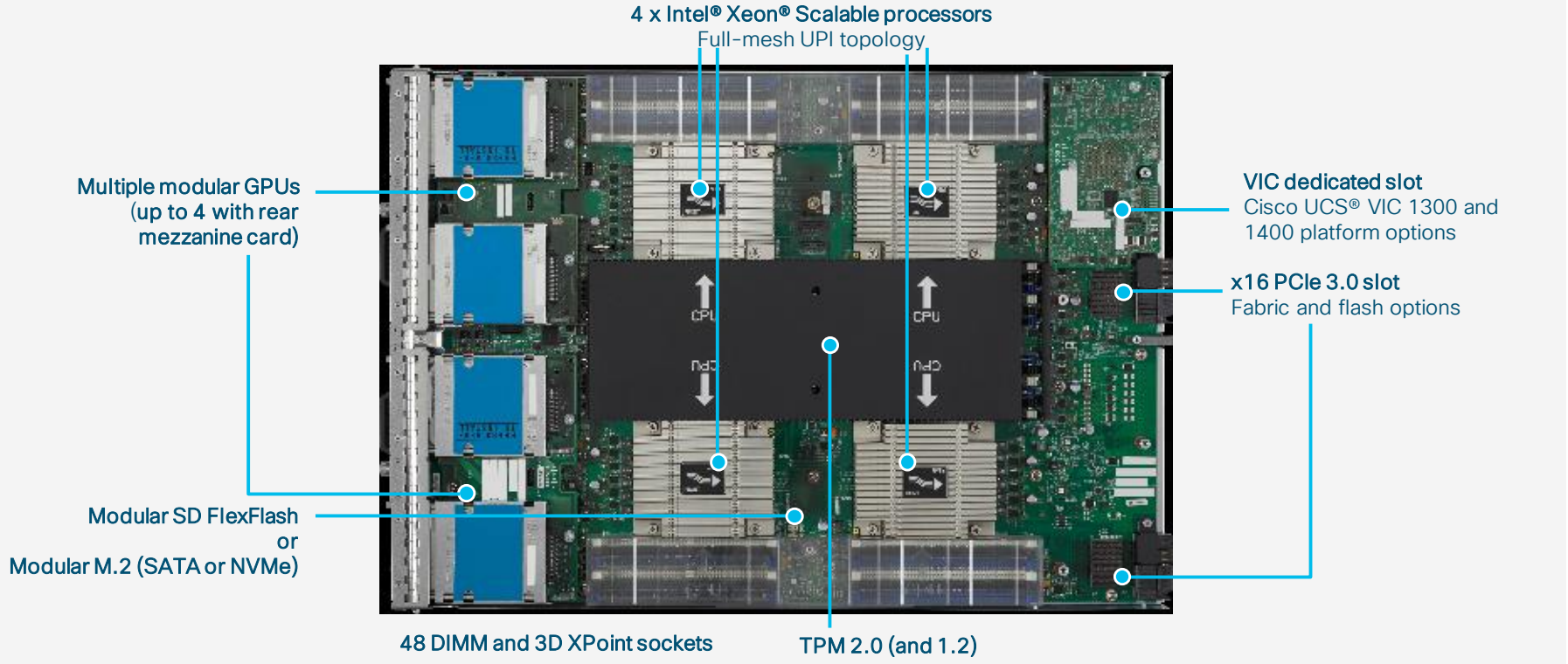
Unified Computing Systems

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B480 M5



UCS Rack Servers

M5 – C-Series



UCS C220 M5

Optimal performance in a dense 1RU form factor for a wide range of workloads including virtualization, web, collaboration, cloud, and bare metal applications

Up to two Intel Xeon Processor Scalable Family (Max: 56 Cores total)
24 DIMMs, up to 3TB
10 SFF or 4 LFF HS drives, NVMe PCIe SSD support
2 PCIe 3.0 x16 slots **Support for 1 NVIDIA P4 GPU**



UCS C240 M5

Optimal performance for a wide range of enterprise workloads including big data analytics, collaboration, databases, virtualization, and high performance applications

Up to two Intel Xeon Processor Scalable Family (Max: 56 Cores total)
24 DIMMs, up to 3TB
24 SFF or 12 LFF HS drives, NVMe PCIe SSD support, 2 rear SFF HD drives
6 PCIe 3.0 slots **Support for 2 NVIDIA P100/V100 GPUs**



UCS C480 M5

Designed for the most demanding server workloads such as in-memory database, EDA, Machine Learning, Data Analytics, and CPU / GPU rendering

Up to **FOUR** Intel Xeon Processor Scalable Family (Max: 112 Cores total)
48 DIMMs, up to 6TB
24 SFF HS drives, NVMe PCIe SSD support, 8 internal top loaded SFF drives
12 PCIe 3.0 slots **Support for 6 NVIDIA P100/V100 GPUs**

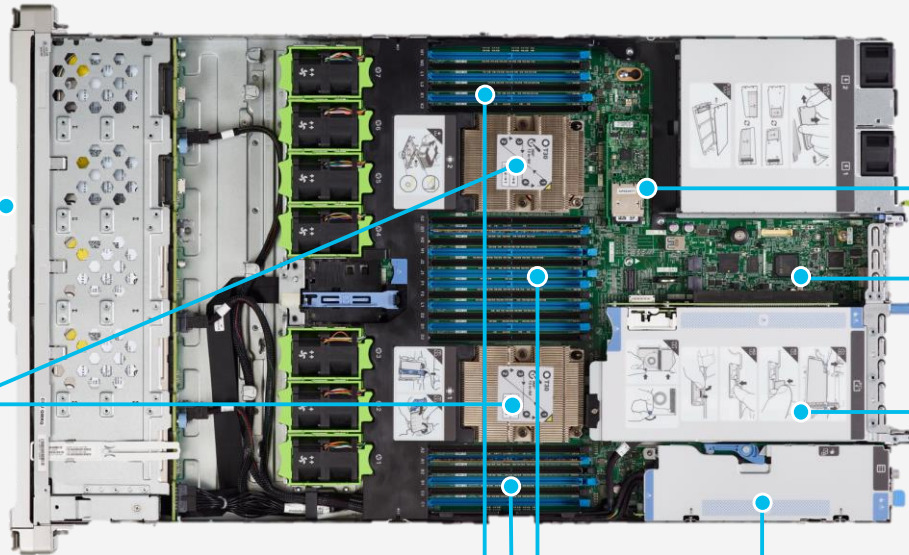
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C220 M5

Up to 10 SFF or 4 LFF drives

Support for 2 NVMe PCIe SSDs in mixed configuration, or up to 10 NVMe PCIe SSDs with NVMe-optimized SKU

2 x Intel® Xeon® Scalable processors



Modular SD FlexFlash or Modular M.2 (SATA or NVMe)

x16 half-height PCIe 3.0 slot

x16 full-height PCIe 3.0 slot (Support for GPU)

x16 mLOM slot

24 DIMM sockets
Up to 2666 MHz

Dedicated RAID slot

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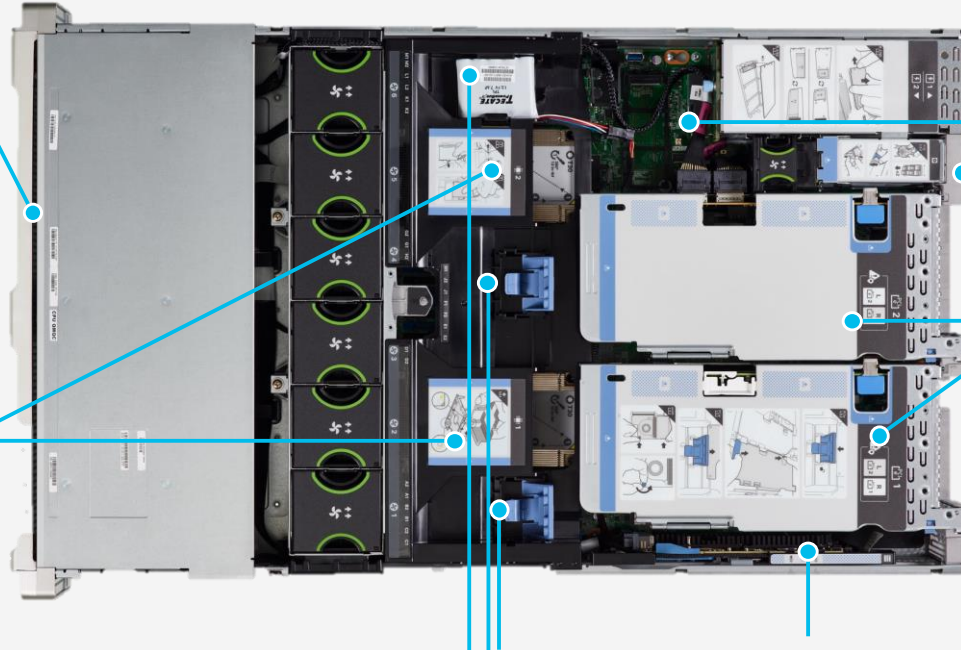
C240 M5

Up to 24 SFF or 12 LFF drives

Support for 4 NVMe PCIe SSDs in mixed configuration, or up to 10 NVMe PCIe SSDs (2 rear) with NVMe-optimized SKU

All SAS and SATA (not NVMe) drives managed by dedicated RAID controller and supported in Cisco UCS® Manager

2 x Intel® Xeon® Scalable processors



Modular SD FlexFlash or Modular M.2 (SATA or NVMe)

Up to 2 optional rear hot-swappable 2.5-inch drives
Can be NVMe PCIe SSDs or SAS, SATA, and SSD in standard SKUs

Up to 6 PCIe 3.0 slots
Up to 4 full-height, full-length x16

Support for 2 GPUs

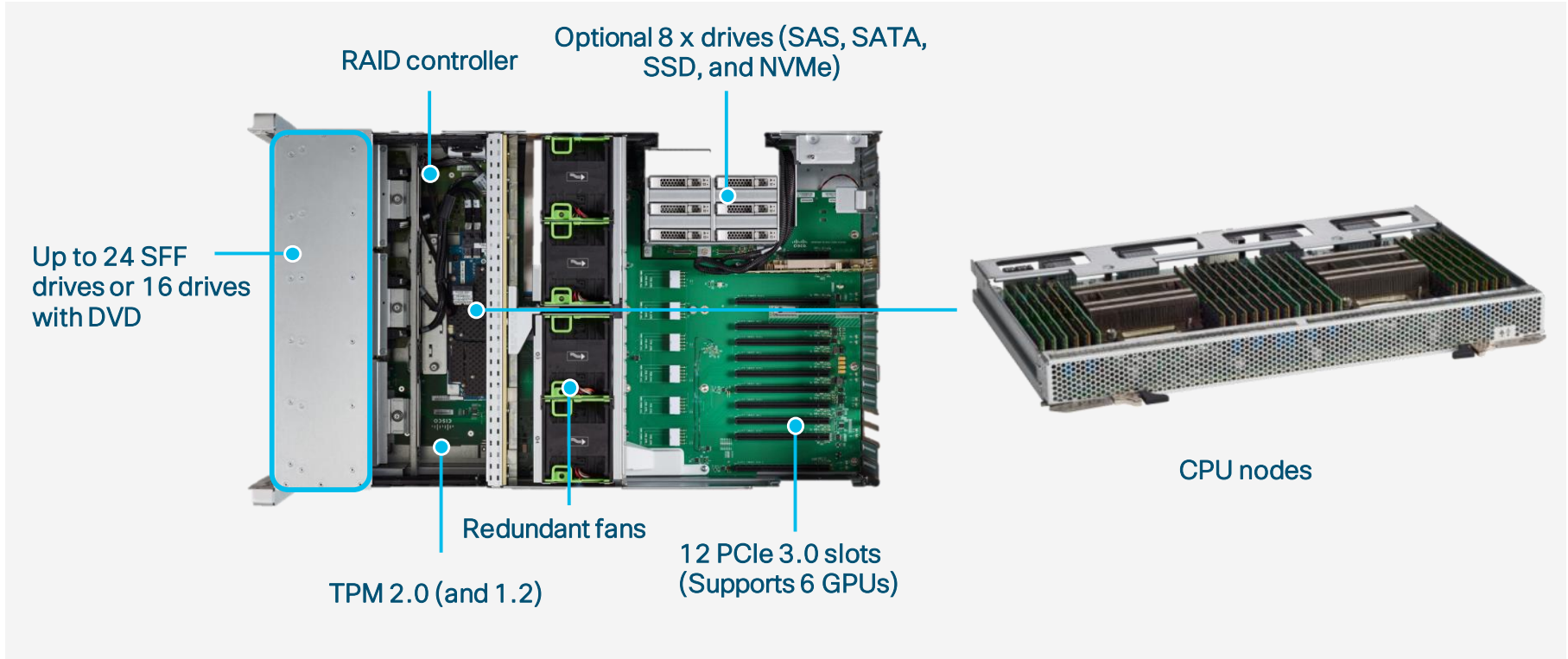
x16 mLOM slot

24 DIMM sockets
Up to 2666 MHz speeds

Dedicated RAID slot

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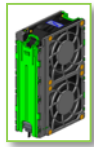
Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server

M5 Server Node



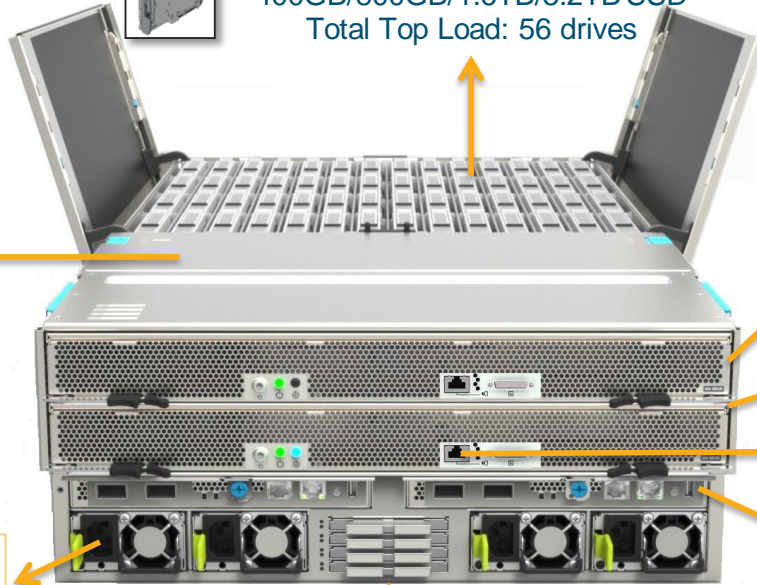
Drives

4 Rows of Hot-Swappable HDD
2/4/6/8/10/12TB with up to 2 Rows of
400GB/800GB/1.6TB/3.2TB SSD
Total Top Load: 56 drives



FAN

8 Hot-Pluggable
Fans



Power Supply
4 Hot-Pluggable PSUs

Up to (4) 240GB/480GB/1.6TB SSDs
HW RAID, Hot-Plug, OS/Boot

Server Node

Up to (2) Based on 2x Intel Scalable
CPUs, LSI 12G Dual-Chip RAID or Pass-
through HBA, 14x 16/32/64/128GB DDR4
RAM (2 Slots 3D XPoint Ready),
2x 500GB/1TB/2TB NVMe

Optional Second Node

Server Node or Drive Expansion
or PCIe Expansion

1Gb Host Management Port

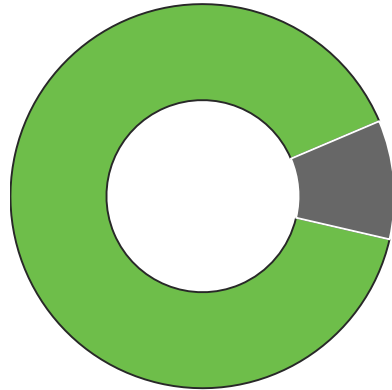
System I/O Controller (SIOC)

Up to (2) Cisco VIC 1300(SIOC2)/
1400(SIOC3*) or 3rd Party Adapters*
Up to (2) NVMe per SIOC

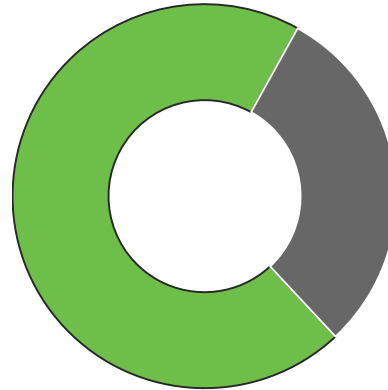
GPUs

70% Of Top HPC Apps Accelerated

INTERSECT360 SURVEY OF TOP APPS



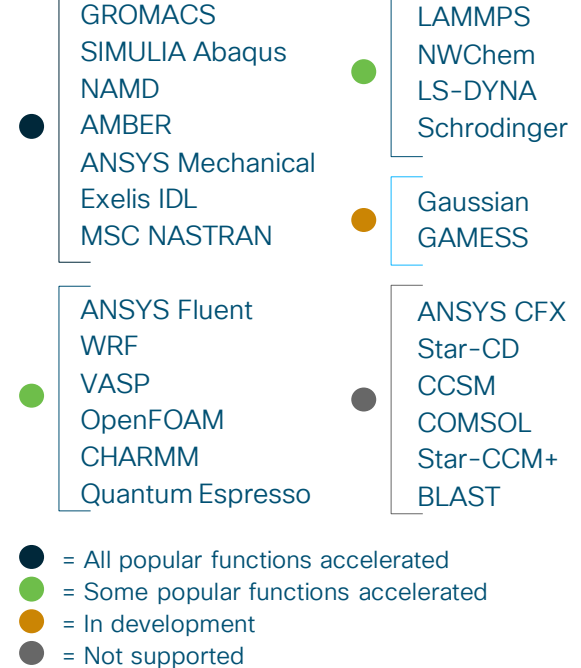
9 of top 10
Apps
Accelerated



35 of top 50
Apps
Accelerated

Intersect360, Nov 2015
"HPC Application Support for GPU Computing"

TOP 25 APPS IN SURVEY



UCS GPU Portfolio

UCS Integrated for accelerated VDI, Deep Learning, and HPC Applications

Virtualization



UCS M6 Blade GPU

For M4 blades only

Enterprise Class NVIDIA GPU for Remote Knowledge Workers, Task Workers and Designers



UCS P6 Blade GPU

For M5 blades only

Doubles user density for Remote Knowledge Workers, Task Workers and Designers



UCS NVIDIA M60

For M4 and M5* server

Ultimate choice for Remote Engineering Workstations and Application Delivery via the Cloud



UCS NVIDIA M10

For M4 and M5 servers

Accelerated Remote Desktop, Maximum User Density per Server

Accelerated Compute



UCS Tesla P100

For M4 and M5

Deep Learning Training and HPC applications



UCS Tesla V100

**For M5 server only

World's most advanced data center GPU ever built to accelerate AI and HPC



UCS Tesla P40

For M5 server only

Remote Engineering Workstations and Fast Inferencing for Deep Learning



UCS Tesla P4

For M5 server only

Inferencing Engine for Deep Learning at the edge.

Blade Optimized GPU

Industry's Only 2-S Blade to offer multiple GPU, densest GPU platform
16 GPU in 6RU Chassis

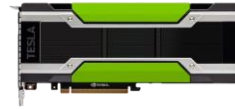


PID	Description
UCSB-GPU-P6-F	NVIDIA GRID P6 Front Mezzanine
UCSB-GPU-P6-R	NVIDIA GRID P6 Rear Mezzanine

	TESLA M6	TESLA P6
GPUs	Single GM204	Single GP104
CUDA Cores	1,536	2,048
Memory Size	8 GB GDDR5	16 GB GDDR5
Form Factor	MXM (blade server)	MXM (blade server)
Thermal	bare board	bare board
Power	100W (75W opt)	90W (70W opt)
No. of GPU per B200M5	1	2
Max Concurrent Users	8 (1GB FB)	16 (1GB FB)
H.264 1080p30 Streams	16	24
3DMark 11	10,558	17,600
SPECviewperf 12	45	75
SGEMM TFLOPS	2.7	4.7
Memory Bandwidth	147 GB/s	192 GB/s

Rack Optimized GPUs

Full UCSM Integration

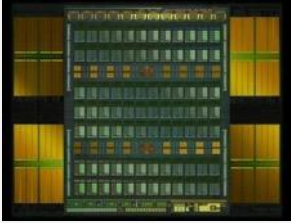


	Tesla P4 for Ultra-Efficient Scale-Out Servers	Tesla P40 for Maximum-Inference Throughput Servers	Tesla P100: The Universal Datacenter GPU
Single-Precision Performance (FP32)	5.5 TeraFLOPS	12 TeraFLOPS	10.6 TeraFLOPS
Half-Precision Performance (FP16)	--	--	21 TeraFLOPS
Integer Operations (INT8)	22 TOPS*	47 TOPS*	--
GPU Memory	8 GB	24 GB	16 GB
Memory Bandwidth	192 GB/s	346 GB/s	732 GB/s
System Interface	Low-Profile PCI Express Form Factor	Dual-Slot, Full-Height PCI Express Form Factor	Dual-Slot, Full-Height PCI Express Form Factor, or SXM2 Form Factor with NVLink
Power	50 W/75 W	250 W	250 W (PCIe) 300W (SXM2)
Hardware-Accelerated Video Engine	1x Decode Engine, 2x Encode Engines	1x Decode Engine, 2x Encode Engines	--

*Tera-Operations per Second with Boost Clock Enabled

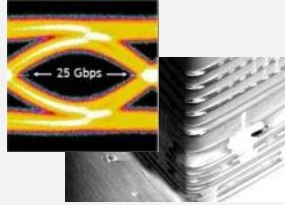
INTRODUCING TESLA V100

Volta Architecture



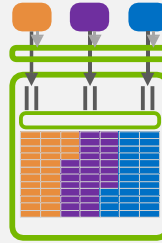
Most Productive GPU

Improved NVLink & HBM2



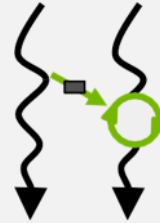
Efficient Bandwidth

Volta MPS



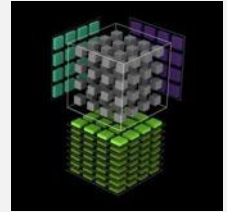
Inference Utilization

Improved SIMT Model



New Algorithms

Tensor Core



120 Programmable
TFLOPS Deep Learning

5120 CUDA Cores, 640 Tensor Cores

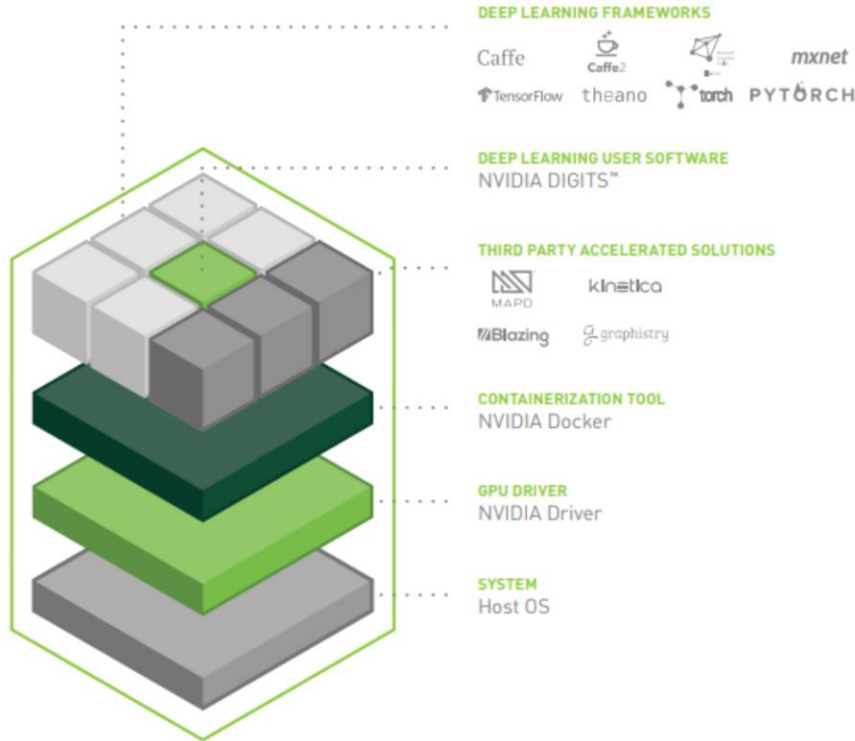
The Fastest and Most Productive GPU for Deep Learning and HPC

GPU Performance Comparison

	P100	V100	Ratio
Training acceleration	10 TOPS	120 TOPS	12x
Inference acceleration	21 TFLOPS	120 TOPS	6x
FP64/FP32	5/10 TFLOPS	7.5/15 TFLOPS	1.5x
HBM2 Bandwidth	720 GB/s	900 GB/s	1.2x
NVLink Bandwidth	160 GB/s	300 GB/s	1.9x
L2 Cache	4 MB	6 MB	1.5x
L1 Caches	1.3 MB	10 MB	7.7x

NVIDIA DGX-1

NVIDIA DGX Software Stack



SYSTEM SPECIFICATIONS

GPUs	8X Tesla V100	8X Tesla P100
TFLOPS (GPU FP16)	960	170
GPU Memory	128 GB total system	
CPU	Dual 20-Core Intel Xeon E5-2698 v4 2.2 GHz	
NVIDIA CUDA® Cores	40,960	28,672
NVIDIA Tensor Cores (on V100 based systems)	5,120	N/A
Maximum Power Requirements	3,200 W	
System Memory	512 GB 2,133 MHz DDR4 LRDIMM	
Storage	4X 1.92 TB SSD RAID 0	
Network	Dual 10 GbE, 4 1B EDR	
Software	Ubuntu Linux Host OS See Software Stack for Details	

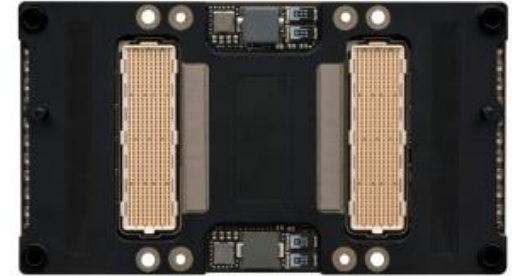
NVIDIA DGX-1

SXM2 and PCIe GPU's Compared

	SXM2	PCIe
Form Factor		
Performance	>6.5 TF DP, >13 TF SP, >26 TF FP16	-6 TF DP, -12 TF SP, -24 TF FP16
Memory Size	32 GB HBM2	32 GB HBM2
Memory Bandwidth	-1000 GB/s	-1000 GB/s
GPU Peer to Peer	Scalable, Coherent, NVLink	PCIe Gen3
Power	300 W	250W

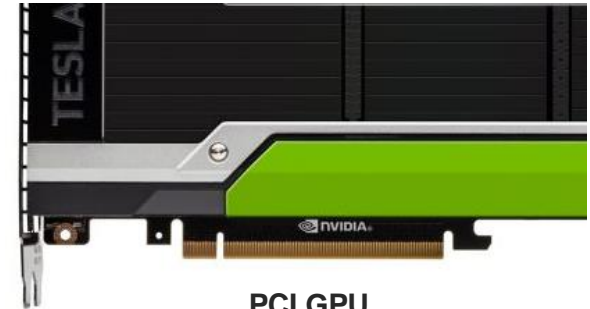
**NVLINK 2.0 =
300 GBytes/s**

**PCIe Gen 3 =
32 GBytes/s**



SXM GPU back

Connects directly to SXM slot on motherboard



PCI GPU

Connects to one of the available PCI slots

Summary of Cisco UCS AI Solutions



DGX-1 (Resale)

- Starter appliance for research group/ data scientist
- Test multiple Framework easily
- Cloud managed

Training

SXM2/NVLINK

PCIe



C240 M5 + OSS
EB3600 (PCIe)
9 x P100/V100 GPUs



UCS C480 M5 (PCIe)
6 x P100/V100 GPUs

Inferencing



C240 M5 + 2xP40
More inferencing GPU with
more storage (DC)



C220 M5 + P4
UCS Inferencing appliance
for Edge

UCS Infrastructure

Unified Computing System Architecture (Blades)

- UCS Manager
Embedded- manages entire system
- UCS 6300 Series Fabric Interconnect
32 x 40GB QSFP+ Port or 24 x 40GB QSFP+ Port & 16 UP Ports
- UCS Fabric Extender – UCS 2x00 Series
Remote line card
- UCS 5100 Series Blade Server Chassis
Flexible bay configurations
- UCS B-Series Blade Server
Industry-standard architecture
- UCS Virtual Adapters
Choice of multiple adapters



Unified Computing Systems

Fabric Interconnects

FI 6332

- 32 x 40GbE QSFP+ ports
- 2.56Tbps switching performance
- 1RU fixed form factor, two power supplies & four fans



FI 6332-16UP

- 24 x 40GbE QSFP+ & 16 x UP ports (1/10GbE or 4/8/16G FC)
- 2.43Tbps switching performance
- 1RU fixed form factor, two power supplies & four fans



Unified Computing Systems

Fabric Extenders

IOM 2304

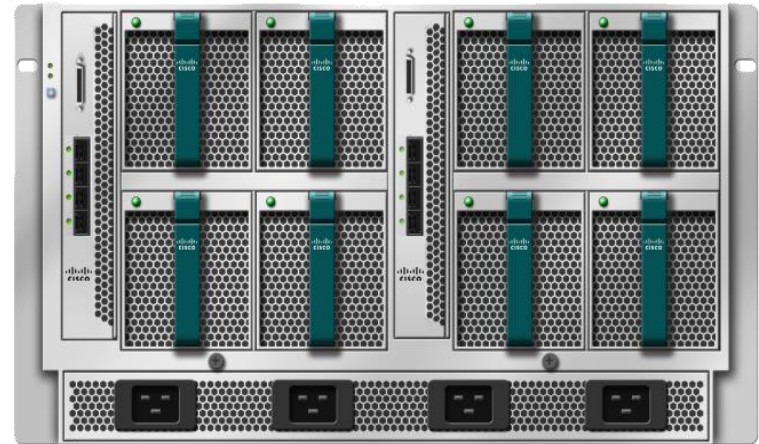
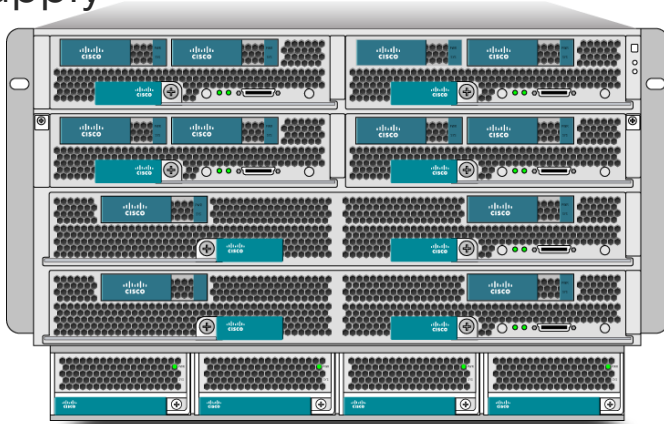
- 8 x 40GbE server links & 4 x 40GbE QSFP+ uplinks
- 960Gbps switching performance
- Modular IOM for UCS 5108



Unified Computing Systems

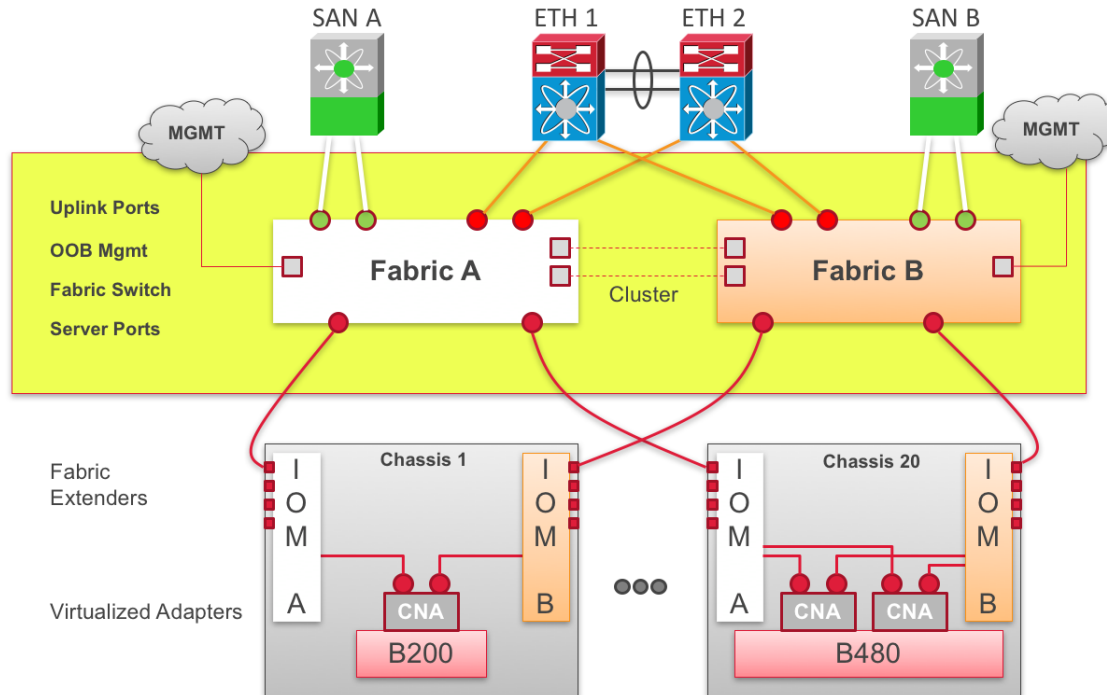
Blades Chassis

- Up to 8 Half width server blades
- Up to 4 Full width server blades
- Redundant Hot Swap Power Supply
- 6RU Enclosure
- 2 Hot Swap FEX
- 8 Hot Swap Fan Module



Unified Computing Systems

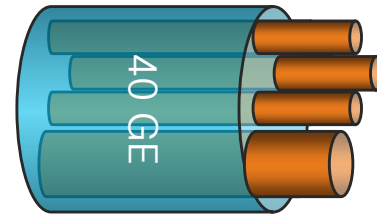
Distributed Architecture, Unified Fabric



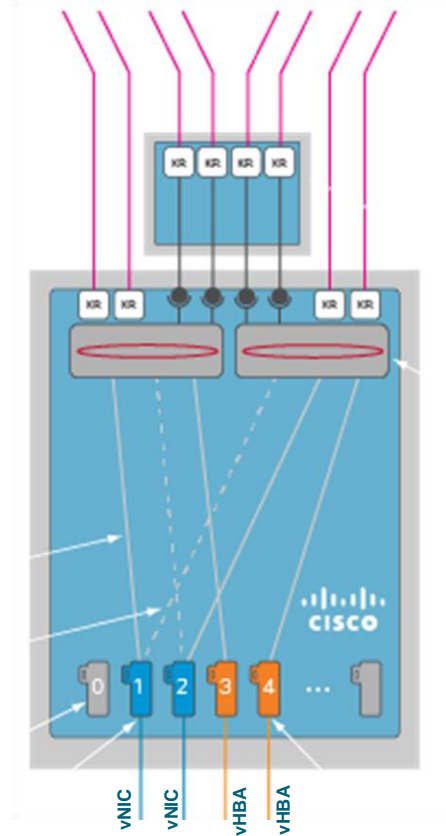
UCS Components

Blade VIC's

- 3rd Generation
 - VIC 1340 mLOM
 - Optional port expander card
 - VIC 1380 Mezz

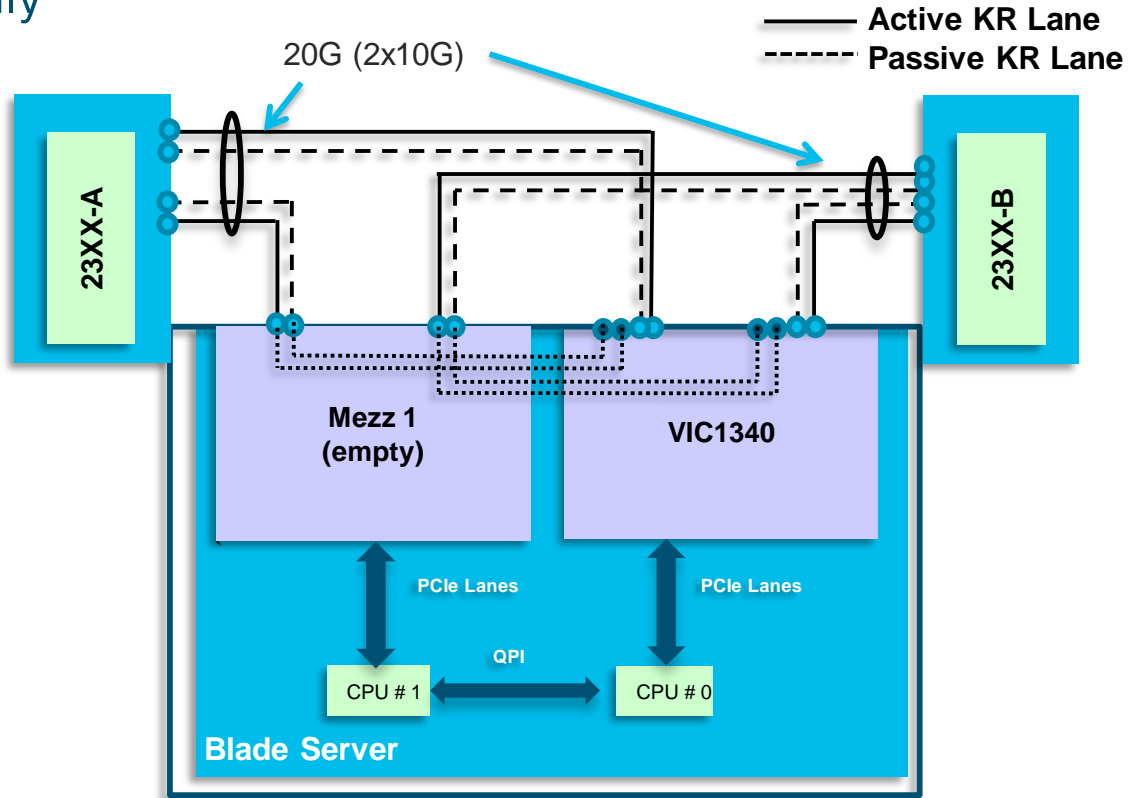


Unified Fabric



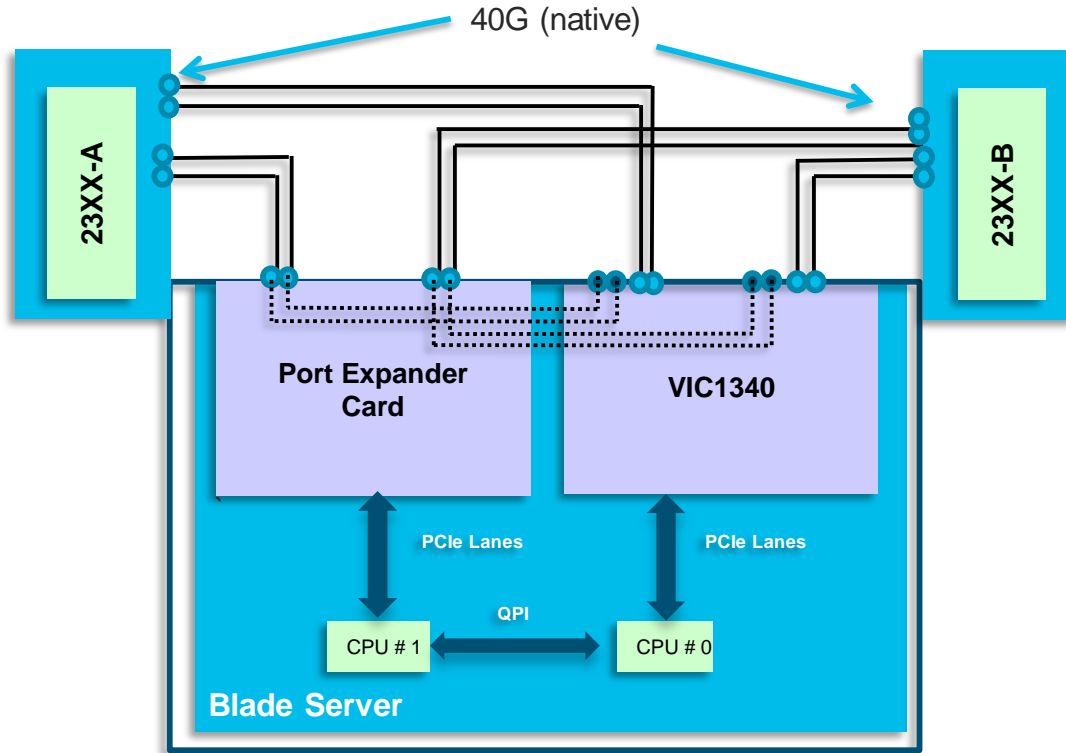
IOM 2304 and Adapter Connection

VIC1340 Only



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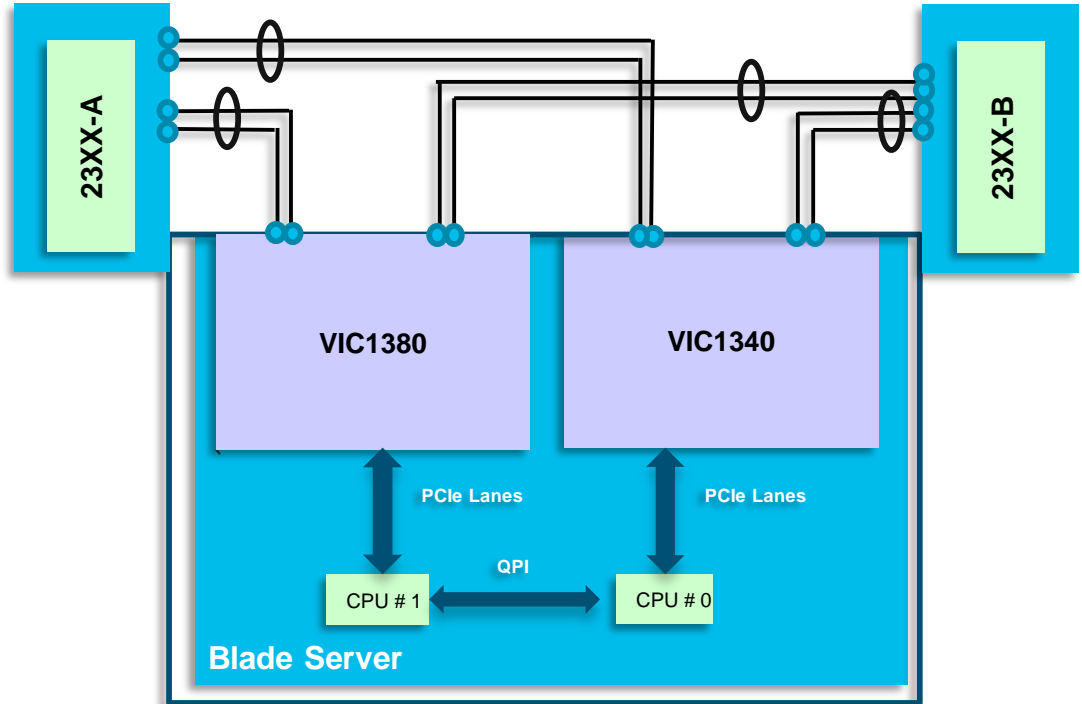
VIC1340 Plus Port Expander



IOM 2304 and Adapter Connection

VIC1340 Plus VIC1380

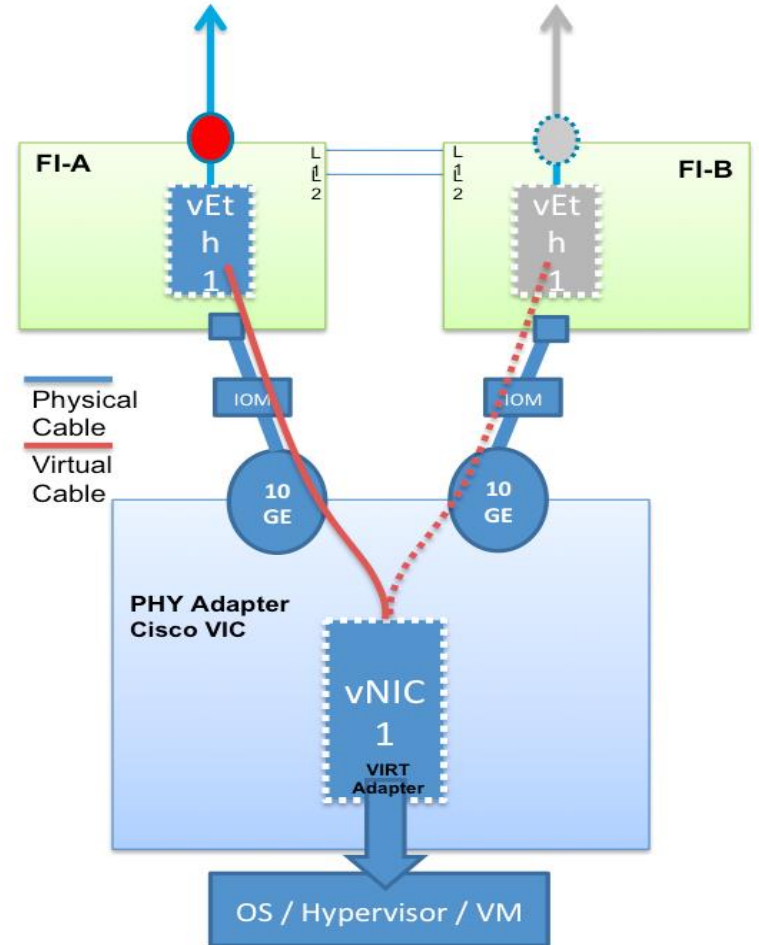
- Adapter Resiliency
 - 2 independent Adapters
 - vCon placement
- 4 20G connections
- 20G are 2x10
 - 7 tuple hashing



Unified Computing Systems

UCS Fabric Failover

- Fabric provides NIC failover capabilities chosen when defining a service profile
- Traditionally done using NIC bonding driver in the OS
- Provides failover for both unicast and multicast traffic
- Works for any OS.



Unified Computing System Architecture (Rack)

- UCS Manager
Embedded- manages entire system



- UCS 6300 Series Fabric Interconnect
32 x 40GB QSFP+ Port or 24 x 40GB QSFP+ Port & 16 UP Ports



- UCS C-Series Rack Servers (1U, 2U, 4U)
Industry-standard architecture

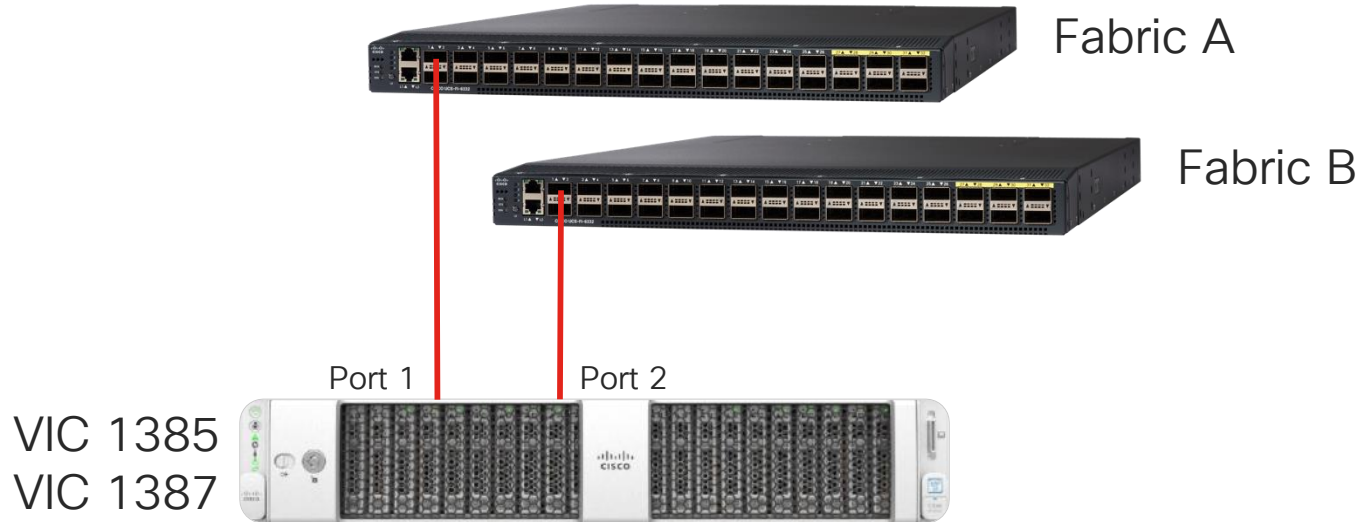


- UCS Virtual Adapters
Choice of multiple adapters

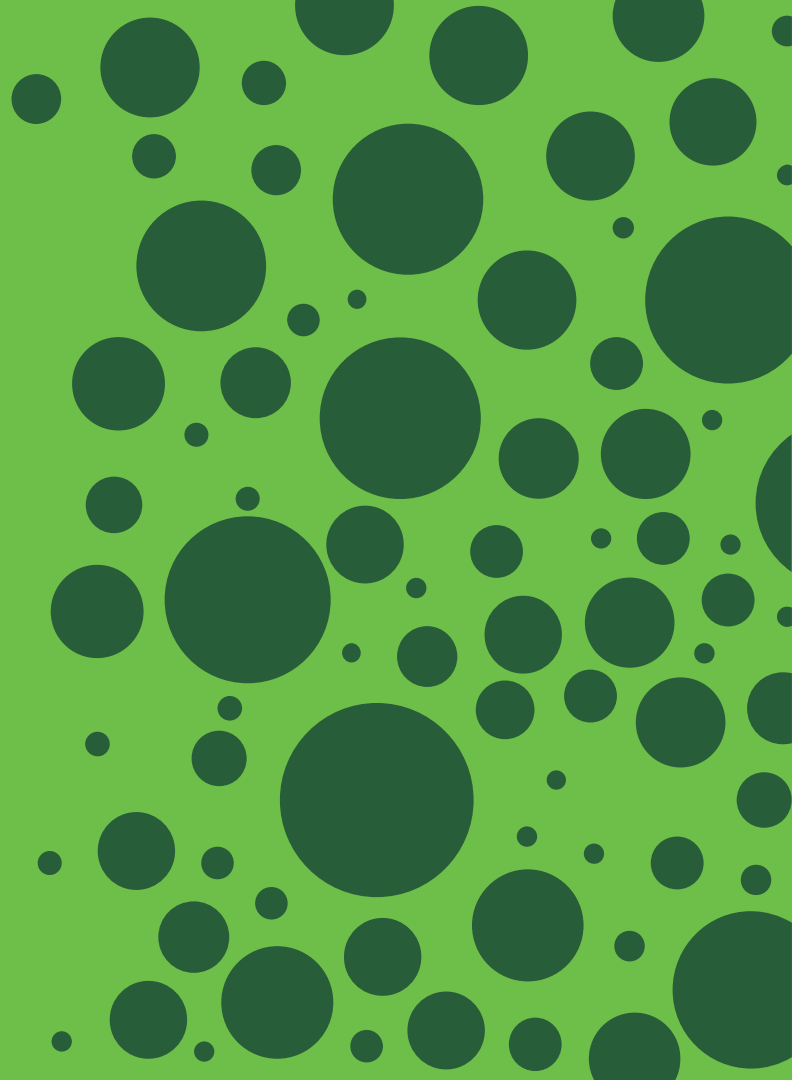


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UCS Managed Rack Server Architecture



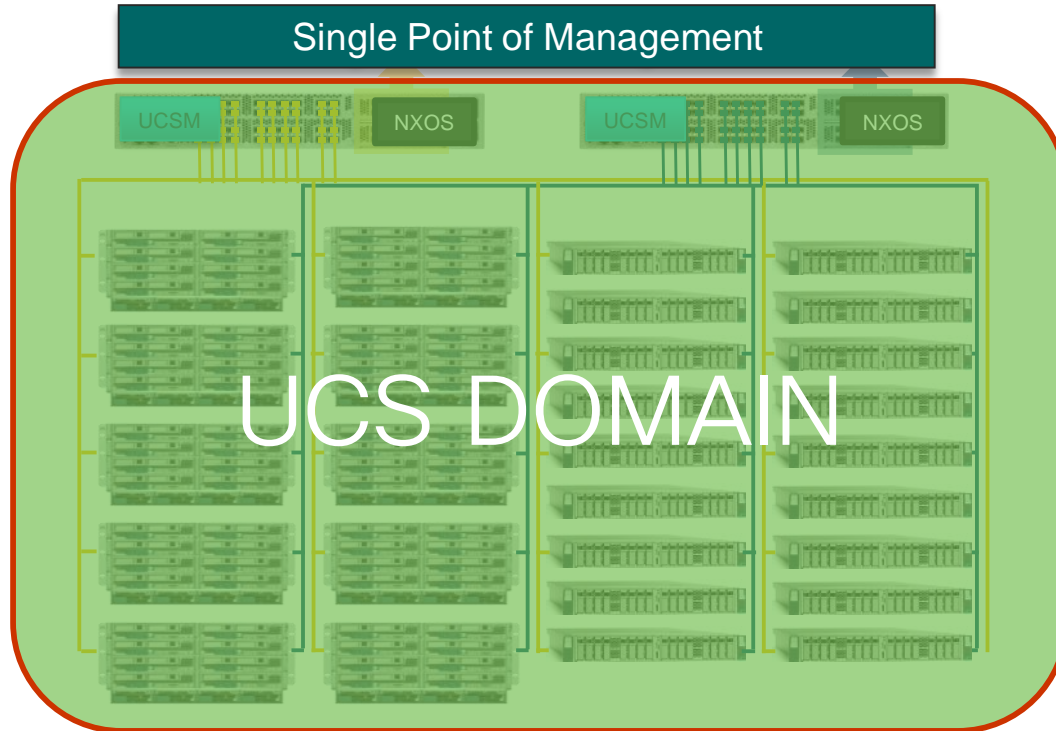
Momentary Lapse for Questions



UCS Advantages

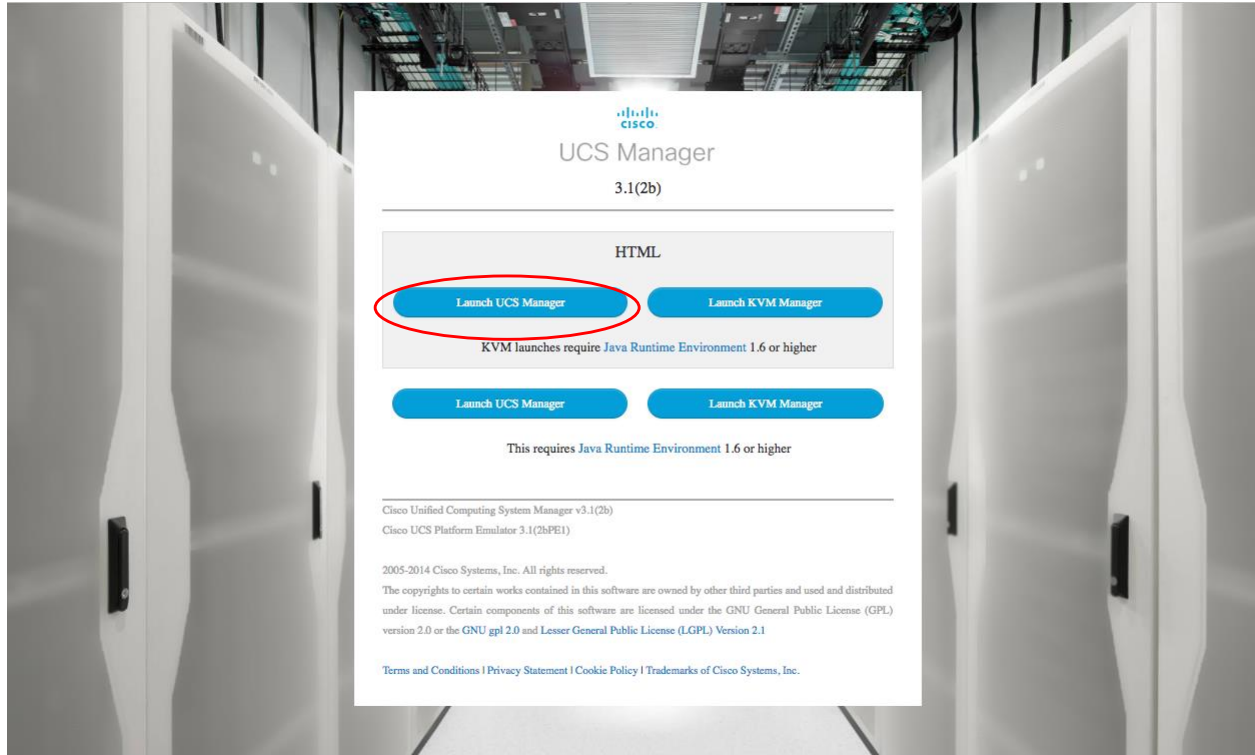
UCS Manager - Advantage #1

Single Point of Management and Scaling - UCS Manager



UCS Manager - Advantage #1

HTML5 Browser Based- Management and KVM



UCS Manager - Advantage #1

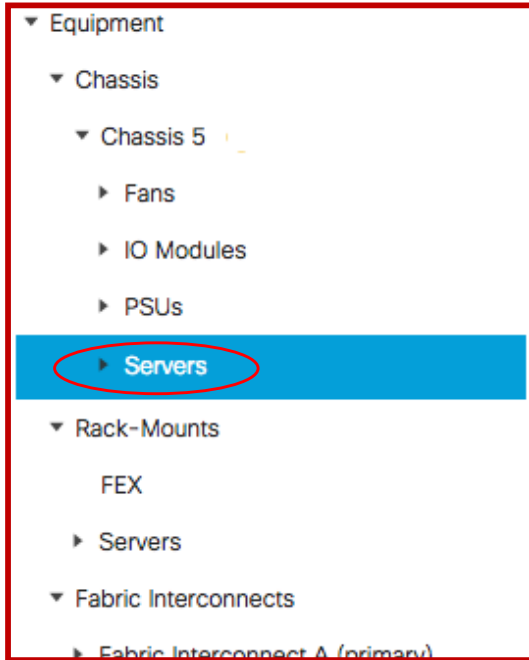
Single Point of Management - Equipment

The screenshot displays the Cisco UCS Manager interface for equipment management. At the top, there are status indicators (0, 2, 5, 0) and a search bar. The main content area shows a network topology diagram with 'Chassis 5' at the top, connected to 'Fabric Interconnect A (primary)' and 'Fabric Interconnect B (subordinate)'. The left and right sidebars show a hierarchical tree view of the equipment structure, including Chassis, Fans, IO Modules, PSUs, Servers, Rack-Mounts, FEX, and Fabric Interconnects.

- Equipment
 - Chassis
 - Chassis 5
 - Fans
 - IO Modules
 - PSUs
 - Servers
 - Rack-Mounts
 - FEX
 - Servers
 - Fabric Interconnects
 - Fabric Interconnect A (primary)
 - Fabric Interconnect B (subordinate)

UCS Manager - Advantage #1

Single Point of Management – Equipment – Server Inventory



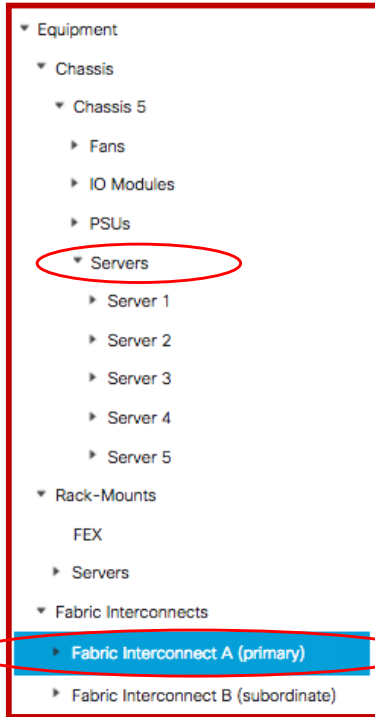
Equipment / Chassis / Chassis 5 / Servers

Servers

+ - Advanced Filter ↑ Export Print															
Name	Over...	PID	Model	Serial	Profile	User ...	Cores	Core...	Threa...	Mem...	Adap...	NICs	HBAs	Oper...	Powe...
Se...	Unas...	UCS...	Cisco...	SRV78			8	8	16	49152	1	0	0	Oper...	Off
Se...	Unas...	UCS...	Cisco...	SRV79			8	8	16	49152	1	0	0	Oper...	Off
Se...	Unas...	UCS...	Cisco...	SRV80			8	8	16	49152	1	0	0	Oper...	Off
Se...	Unas...	UCS...	Cisco...	SRV81			8	8	16	49152	1	0	0	Oper...	Off
Se...	Unas...	UCS...	Cisco...	SRV82			16	16	32	49152	1	0	0	Oper...	Off

UCS Manager - Advantage #1

Single Point of Management – Equipment – Fabric Interconnects



Equipment / Fabric Interconnects / Fabric Interconnect A (primary)

General | Physical Ports | Fans | PSUs | Physical Display | FSM | Faults | Events | Neighbors | Statistics

Fault Summary

0	1	0	0

Status

Overall Status : **Operable**

Thermal : **N/A**

Ethernet Mode : **End Host**

FC Mode : **End Host**

Admin Evac Mode : **Off**

Oper Evac Mode : **Off**

Actions

- Configure Evacuation
- Configure Unified Ports
- Internal Fabric Manager
- LAN Uplinks Manager
- NAS Appliance Manager
- SAN Uplinks Manager
- SAN Storage Manager
- Enable Ports ▼
- Disable Ports ▼

Set Ethernet End-Host Mode

Set Ethernet Switching Mode

Physical Display

6332-16UP

100UL

GB)

Properties

Name : **A**

Product Name : **Cisco UCS 6332 16UP**

Vendor : **Cisco Systems, Inc.**

Revision : **0**

Available Memory : **15.695 (GB)**

Locator LED :

- Part Details
- Local Storage Information
- Access
- High Availability Details
- VLAN Port Count
- FC Zone Count

Show Navigator

- Enable
- Disable
- Configure as Server Port
- Configure as Uplink Port
- Configure as FCoE Uplink Port
- Configure as FCoE Storage Port
- Configure as Appliance Port
- Unconfigure
- Unconfigure FCoE Uplink Port
- Unconfigure Uplink Port
- Unconfigure FCoE Storage Port
- Unconfigure Appliance Port
- Unconfigure both
- LAN Uplinks Manager
- Configure Breakout Port

UCS Manager - Advantage #1

Single Point of Management - Servers

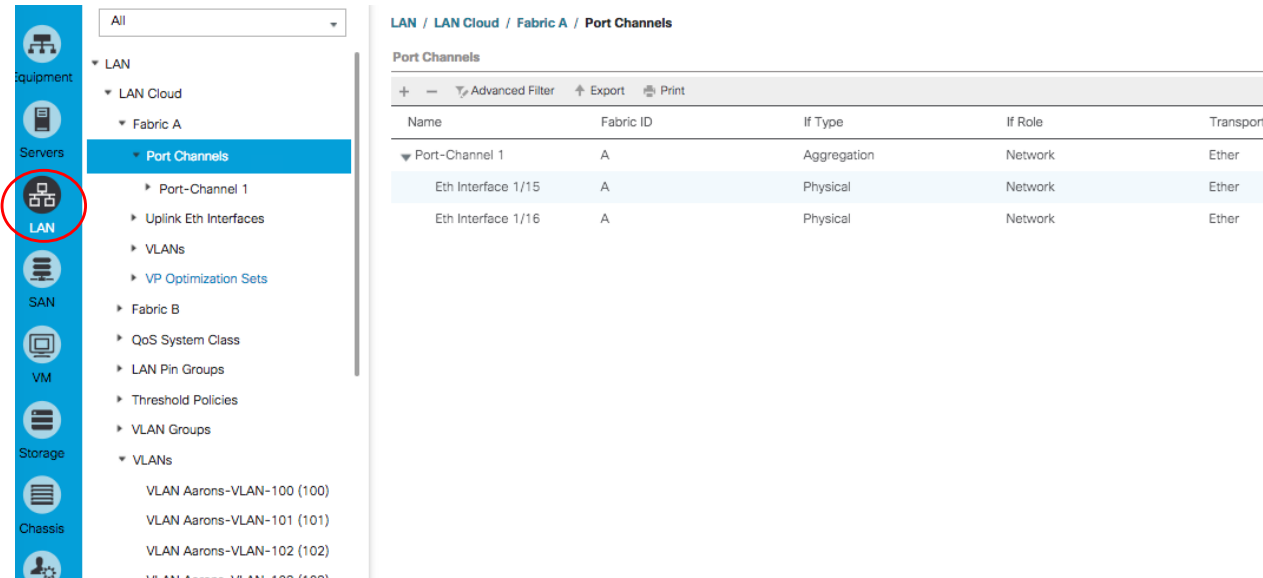
The screenshot displays the UCS Manager interface. On the left, a vertical navigation menu includes 'Equipment', 'Servers' (highlighted with a red circle), 'LAN', 'SAN', 'VM', 'Storage', 'Chassis', and 'Admin'. The 'Servers' section is expanded, showing a tree structure: 'Service Profiles' (root, Sub-Organizations), 'Service Profile Templates' (root, Sub-Organizations), 'Policies' (root, Adapter Policies, BIOS Defaults, BIOS Policies), and 'Aaron-BIOS' (selected). Under 'Aaron-BIOS', there are sub-items for SRIOV, usNIC, Boot Policies, Host Firmware Packages, IPMI Access Profiles, KVM Management Policies, Local Disk Config Policies, Maintenance Policies, Management Firmware Packages, Memory Policy, Power Control Policies, Power Sync Policies, and Scrub Policies.

The main content area is titled 'Servers / Policies / root / BIOS Policies / Aaron-BIOS'. It features tabs for 'Main', 'Advanced' (selected), 'Boot Options', 'Server Management', and 'Events'. Below these are sub-tabs for 'Processor', 'Intel Directed IO', 'RAS Memory', 'Serial Port', 'USB', 'PCI', 'QPI', and 'LOM and P'. The 'Processor' sub-tab is active, showing a list of BIOS settings:

Setting	Value
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Enhanced Intel Speedstep	<input type="radio"/> disabled <input checked="" type="radio"/> enabled <input type="radio"/> Platform Default
Hyper Threading	<input type="radio"/> disabled <input checked="" type="radio"/> enabled <input type="radio"/> Platform Default
Core Multi Processing	Platform Default
Execute Disabled Bit	<input type="radio"/> disabled <input type="radio"/> enabled <input checked="" type="radio"/> Platform Default
Virtualization Technology (VT)	<input type="radio"/> disabled <input checked="" type="radio"/> enabled <input type="radio"/> Platform Default
Hardware Pre-fetcher	<input type="radio"/> disabled <input type="radio"/> enabled <input checked="" type="radio"/> Platform Default
Adjacent Cache Line Pre-fetcher	<input type="radio"/> disabled <input type="radio"/> enabled <input checked="" type="radio"/> Platform Default
DCU Streamer Pre-fetch	<input type="radio"/> disabled <input type="radio"/> enabled <input checked="" type="radio"/> Platform Default
DCU IP Pre-fetcher	<input type="radio"/> disabled <input type="radio"/> enabled <input checked="" type="radio"/> Platform Default
Direct Cache Access	<input type="radio"/> disabled <input type="radio"/> enabled <input type="radio"/> auto <input checked="" type="radio"/> Platform Default
Processor C State	<input type="radio"/> disabled <input type="radio"/> enabled <input checked="" type="radio"/> Platform Default
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Processor C7 Report	Platform Default
Processor CMCI	<input type="radio"/> enabled <input type="radio"/> disabled <input checked="" type="radio"/> Platform Default
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Local X2 APIC	<input type="radio"/> xapic <input type="radio"/> x2apic <input type="radio"/> auto <input checked="" type="radio"/> Platform Default
Power Technology	Platform Default
Energy Performance	Platform Default
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P-STATE Coordination	<input type="radio"/> hw-all <input type="radio"/> sw-all <input type="radio"/> sw-any <input checked="" type="radio"/> Platform Default

UCS Manager - Advantage #1

Single Point of Management - LAN Connectivity



The screenshot displays the UCS Manager interface. On the left, a vertical navigation menu includes icons for Equipment, Servers, LAN (circled in red), SAN, VM, Storage, and Chassis. The LAN icon is highlighted. The main content area shows the breadcrumb path: LAN / LAN Cloud / Fabric A / Port Channels. Below this, there is a table titled "Port Channels" with columns for Name, Fabric ID, If Type, If Role, and Transport. The table lists a Port-Channel 1 and its constituent Eth Interfaces (1/15 and 1/16).

Name	Fabric ID	If Type	If Role	Transport
Port-Channel 1	A	Aggregation	Network	Ether
Eth Interface 1/15	A	Physical	Network	Ether
Eth Interface 1/16	A	Physical	Network	Ether

UCS Manager - Advantage #1

Single Point of Management - SAN Connectivity

The screenshot displays the UCS Manager interface. On the left, a navigation sidebar lists various categories: Equipment, Servers, LAN, SAN (highlighted with a red circle), VM, Storage, Chassis, and Admin. The SAN category is expanded, showing a tree view of configurations including VSANs, Storage Cloud, Policies, and SAN Cloud. The main content area is titled "SAN / SAN Cloud / VSANs" and displays a table of VSANs. The table has columns for Name, ID, Fabric ID, If Type, If Role, Transport, and FCoE. The data is organized into sections for Fabric A, Fabric B, and VSANs. The VSANs section contains three rows of data.

Name	ID	Fabric ID	If Type	If Role	Transport	FCoE
Fabric A						
VSANs						
Fabric B						
VSANs						
VSAN default (1)	1	Dual	Virtual	Network	Fc	4048
VSAN VSAN-1...	120	Dual	Virtual	Network	Fc	120
VSAN VSAN-1...	121	Dual	Virtual	Network	Fc	121

UCS Manager - Advantage #1

Single Point of Management - Central Administration

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Severity	Code	ID	Affected object	Cause	Last Transition	Description
Info	F0440	55787	sys/chassis-5/slot-...	unexpected-numbe...	2017-01-30T23:43:3	Chassis discovery p...
Info	F0461	57105	sys/chassis-5/blad...	log-capacity	2017-01-30T23:43:4	Log capacity on Ma...
Info	F0461	57073	sys/chassis-5/blad...	log-capacity	2017-01-30T23:43:4	Log capacity on Ma...
Info	F0461	57072	sys/chassis-5/blad...	log-capacity	2017-01-30T23:43:4	Log capacity on Ma...
Info	F0461	56718	sys/chassis-5/blad...	log-capacity	2017-01-30T23:43:4	Log capacity on Ma...
Info	F0461	56717	sys/chassis-5/blad...	log-capacity	2017-01-30T23:43:4	Log capacity on Ma...
Info	F0440	55738	sys/chassis-5/slot-...	unexpected-numbe...	2017-01-30T23:43:3	Chassis discovery p...
Info	F0440	55782	sys/chassis-5/slot-...	unexpected-numbe...	2017-01-30T23:43:3	Chassis discovery p...
Info	F0440	55777	sys/chassis-5/slot-...	unexpected-numbe...	2017-01-30T23:43:3	Chassis discovery p...

Total: 34 Selected: 1

Details

Summary

Severity : **Info**

Last Transition: **2017-01-30T23:43:32Z**

Properties

Affected object : **sys/chassis-5/slot-2/fabric/port-4**

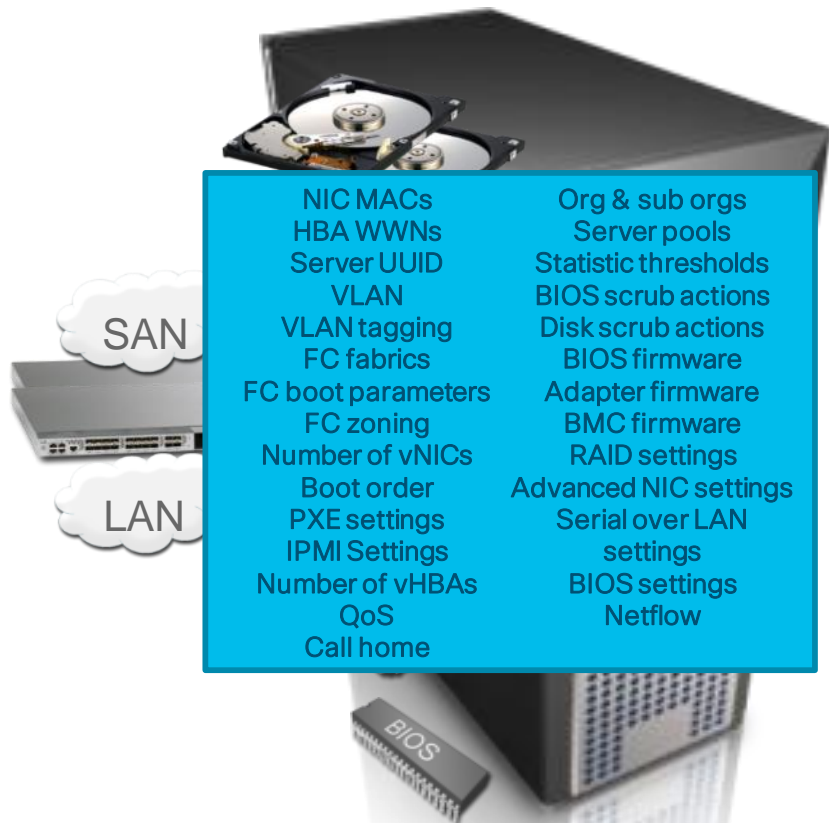
Description : **Chassis discovery policy conflict: Link IOM 5/2/4 to peer port B: N/A/1/28 not configured**

Actions

ID : **55787** Type : **connectivity**

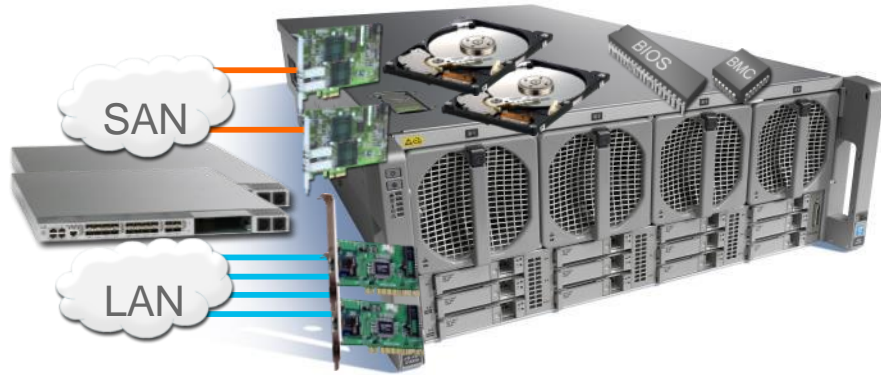
Stateless Computing – Advantage #2

Service Profiles



Stateless Computing - Advantage #2

Service Profiles



NIC MACs	Org & sub orgs
HBA WWNs	Server pools
Server UUID	Statistic thresholds
VLAN	BIOS scrub actions
VLAN tagging	Disk scrub actions
FC fabrics	BIOS firmware
FC boot parameters	Adapter firmware
FC zoning	BMC firmware
Number of vNICs	RAID settings
Boot order	Advanced NIC settings
PXE settings	Serial over LAN settings
IPMI Settings	BIOS settings
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Stateless Computing - Advantage #2

Service Profile Templates - Logical Building Blocks

4.

Service Profile
 MAC : 00:25:B5:01:00:05
 WWN : 20:01:00:25:B5:01:00:05
Firmware 2.2
 Boot:SAN

Service Profile
 MAC : 00:25:B5:01:00:06
 WWN : 20:01:00:25:B5:01:00:06
Firmware 2.2
 Boot:SAN

Service Profile
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 Firmware 2.1
 Boot:SAN

Service Profile
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 WWN : 20:01:00:25:B5:01:00:07
 Firmware 2.1
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2.

Templates - Service Profile
 MAC : Derived WWN : Derived
Firmware 2.2
 Boot:SAN

1.

Pools
 UUID
 MAC
 WWNN / WWPN

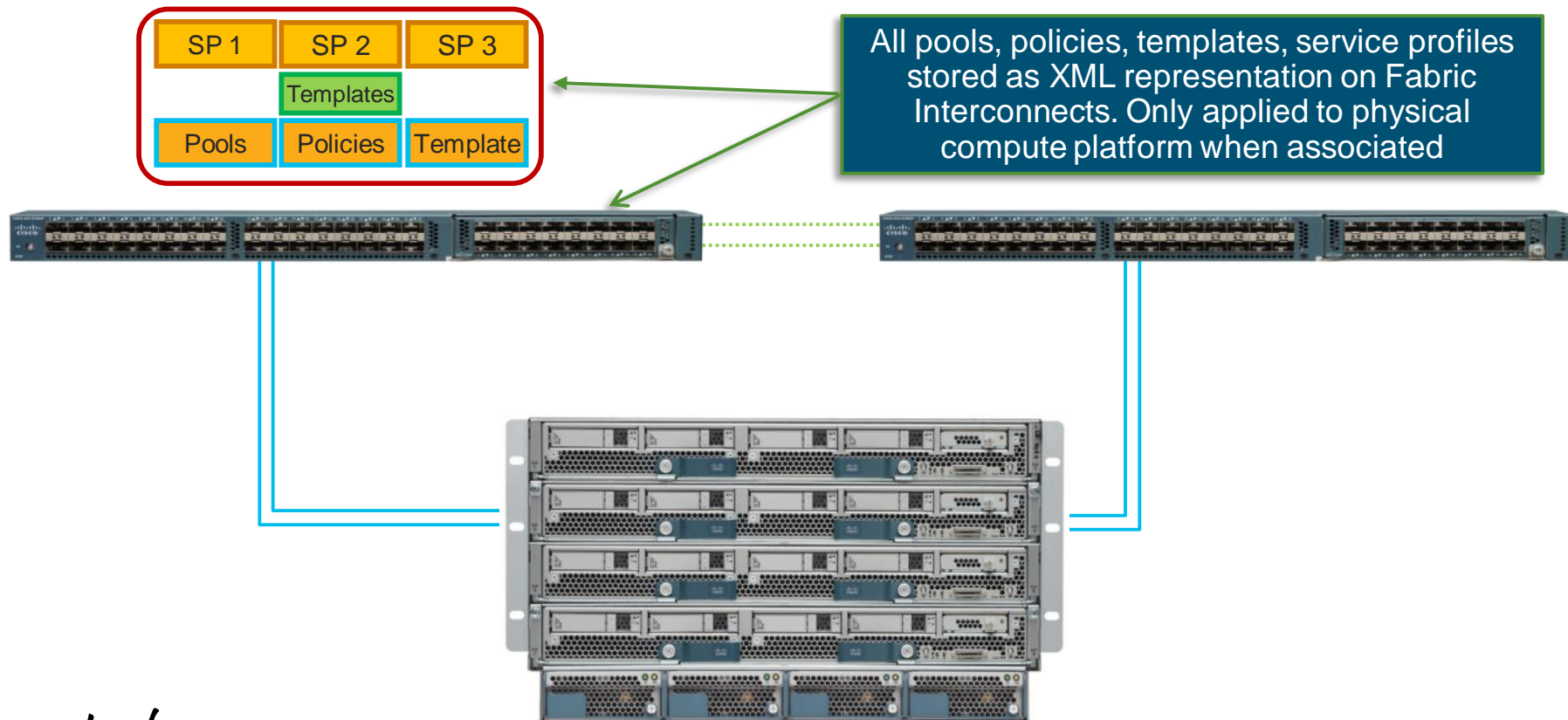
Policies
 Boot Devices/Order
 Host F/W
 QoS

Templates
 vNICs
 vHBAs



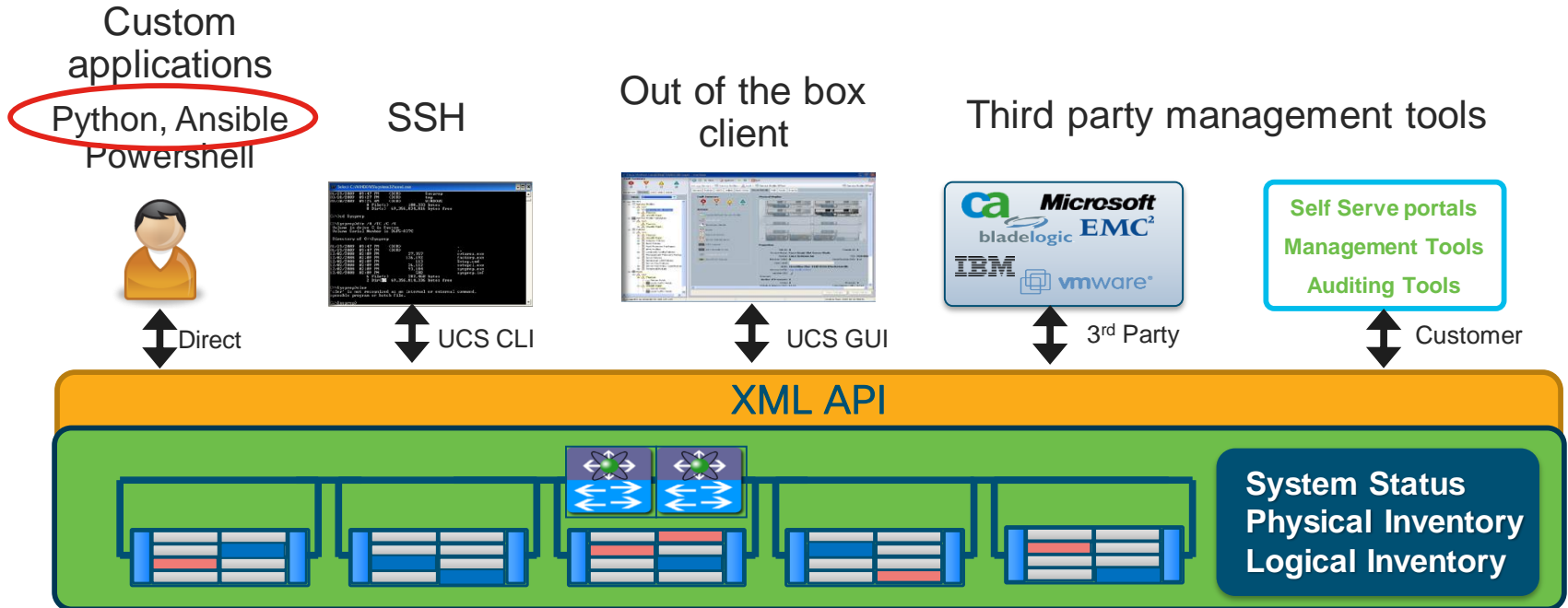
Stateless Computing - Advantage #2

Hardware/Software Abstraction



Programmability - Advantage #3

XML API and Other Hidden Gems - Programmatic interface

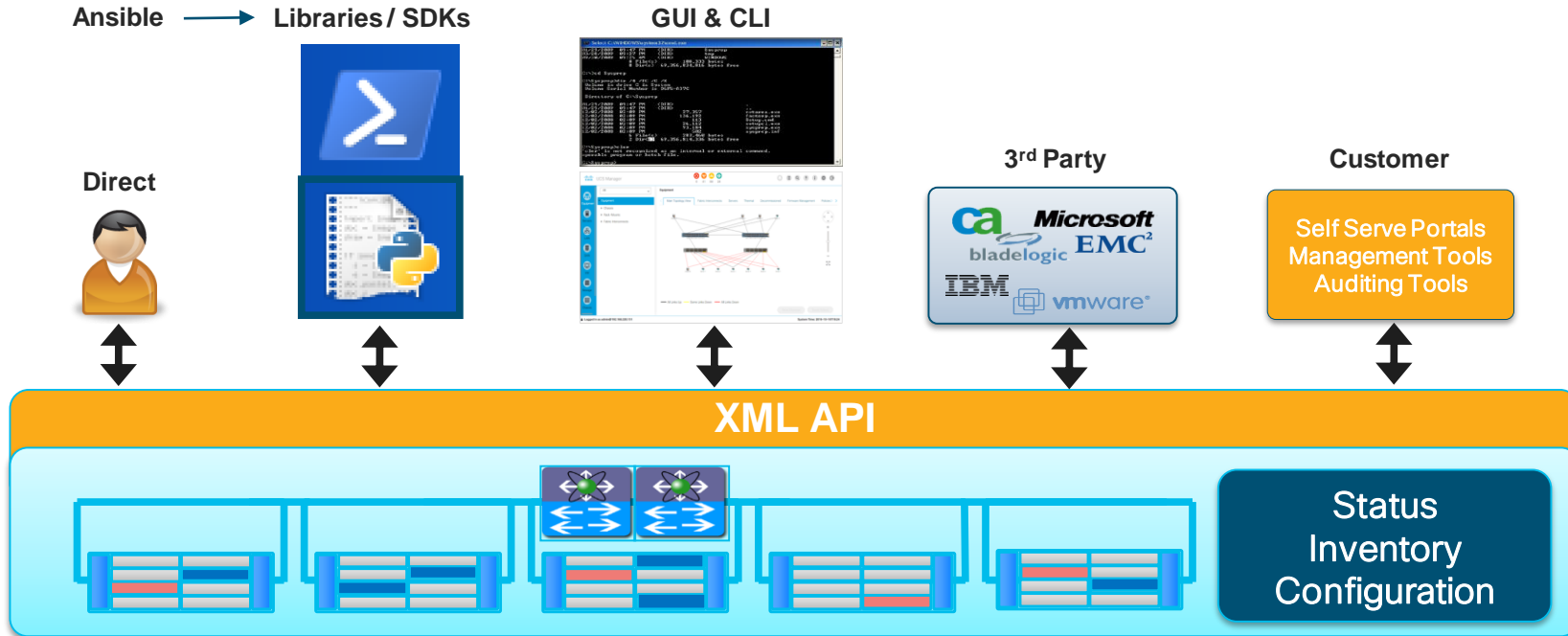


Programmability - Advantage #3

UCS Management Programmatic Infrastructure

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Programmability – Advantage #3

Infrastructure as Code (IaC)

- Specific Configuration Management (CM) tools leverage the XML API, Python SDKs, etc. to support the target device
- You define the intent (end state) in plain text files that CM tools consume
- Intent is version controlled with standard SW dev tools, maybe even tested (e.g. Git, Jenkins)

```
#!/usr/bin/env python
|
|
|
from ucsm.sdk.ucshandle import
|
|
|
handle = UcshHandle("10.10.1
handle.login()
|
|
|
blades_and_chassis = handle
print blades_and_chassis
print blades_and_chassis['C
|
|
|
for blade in blades_and_cha
print blade.dn
|
|
|
for chassis in blades_and_c
print chassis.dn
|
|
|
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print blade_and_chassis
print blade_and_chassis['sy
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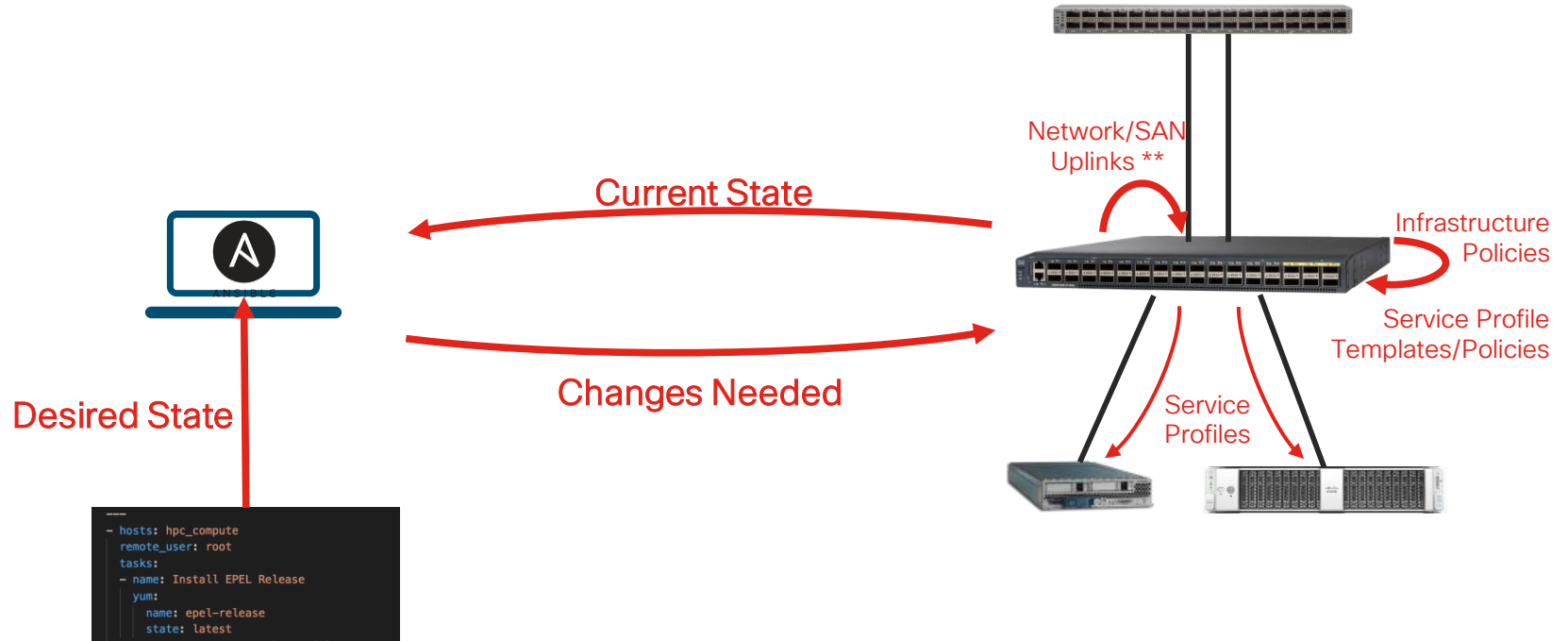
```
- hosts: hpc_compute
remote_user: root
tasks:
- name: Install EPEL Release
yum:
name: epel-release
state: latest
- name: Copy core /etc/hosts file
copy:
src: /srv/etc/hosts
dest: /etc/hosts
owner: root
group: root
mode: 0644
notify:
- restart custom service
handlers:
- name: restart custom service
service:
name: custom
state: restarted
```

Programmability – Advantage #3

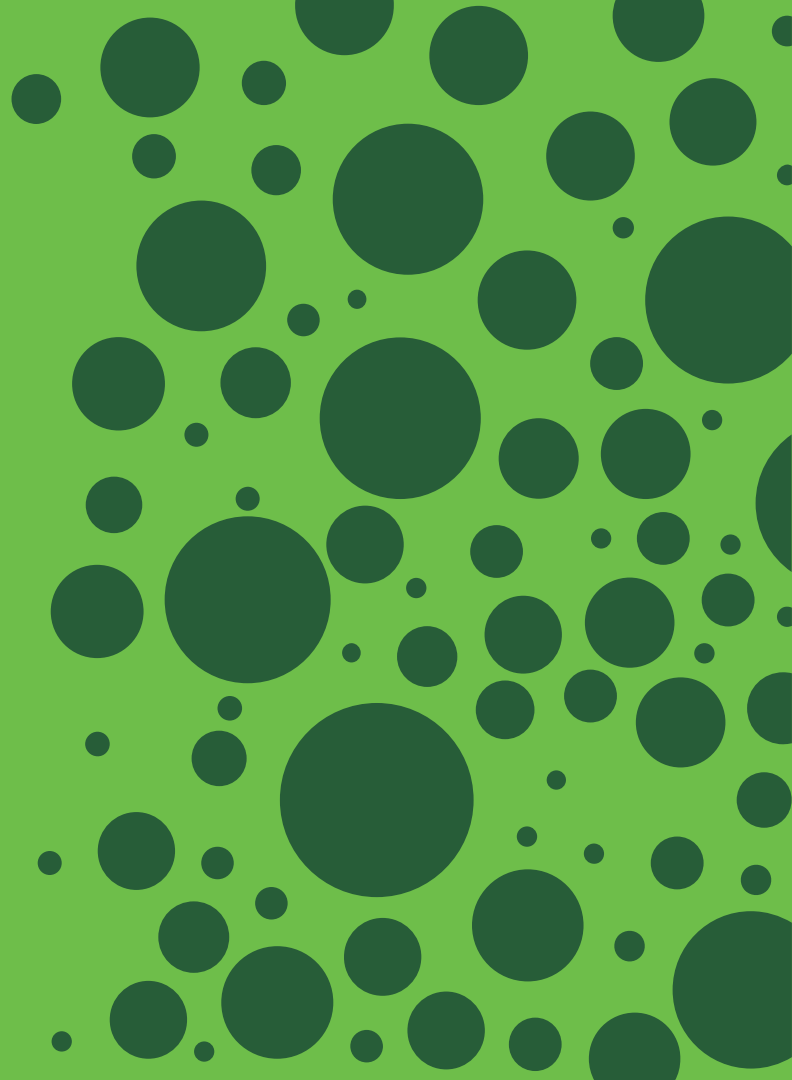
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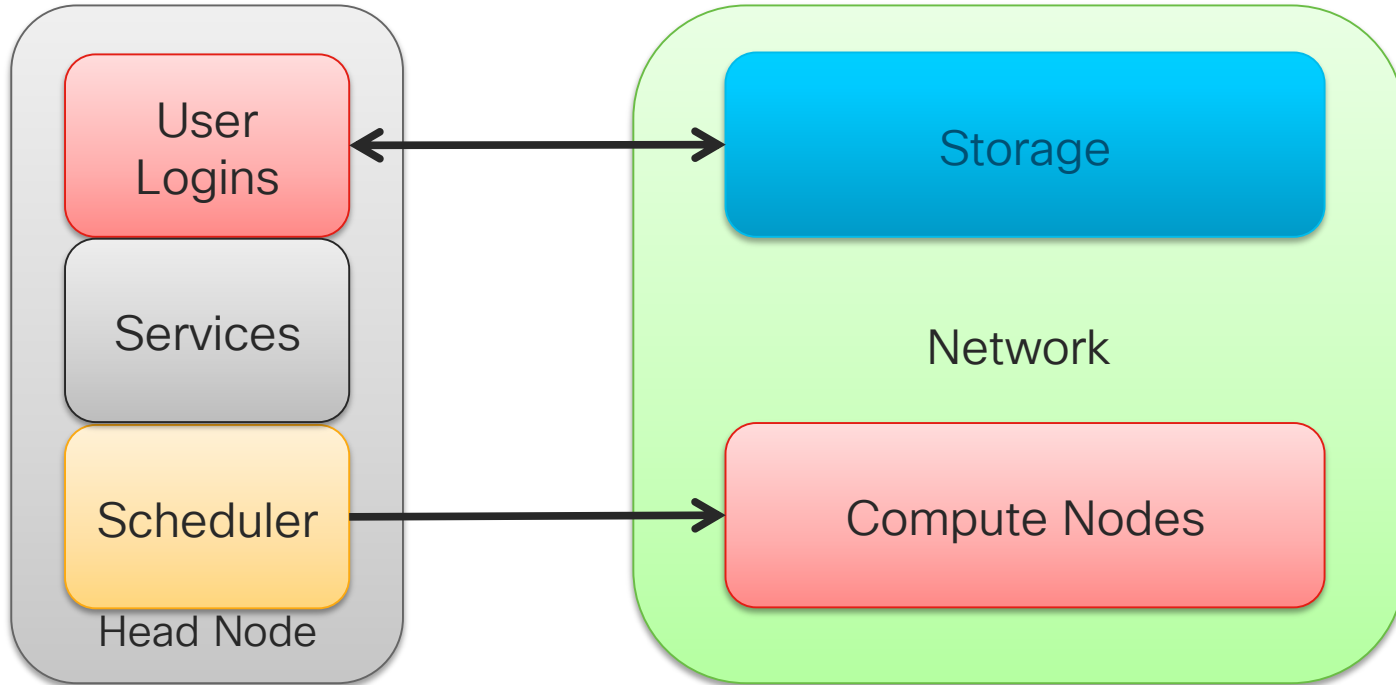


Questionable pause



UCS Designs

General Architecture Review



“Small” Research Computing Environments

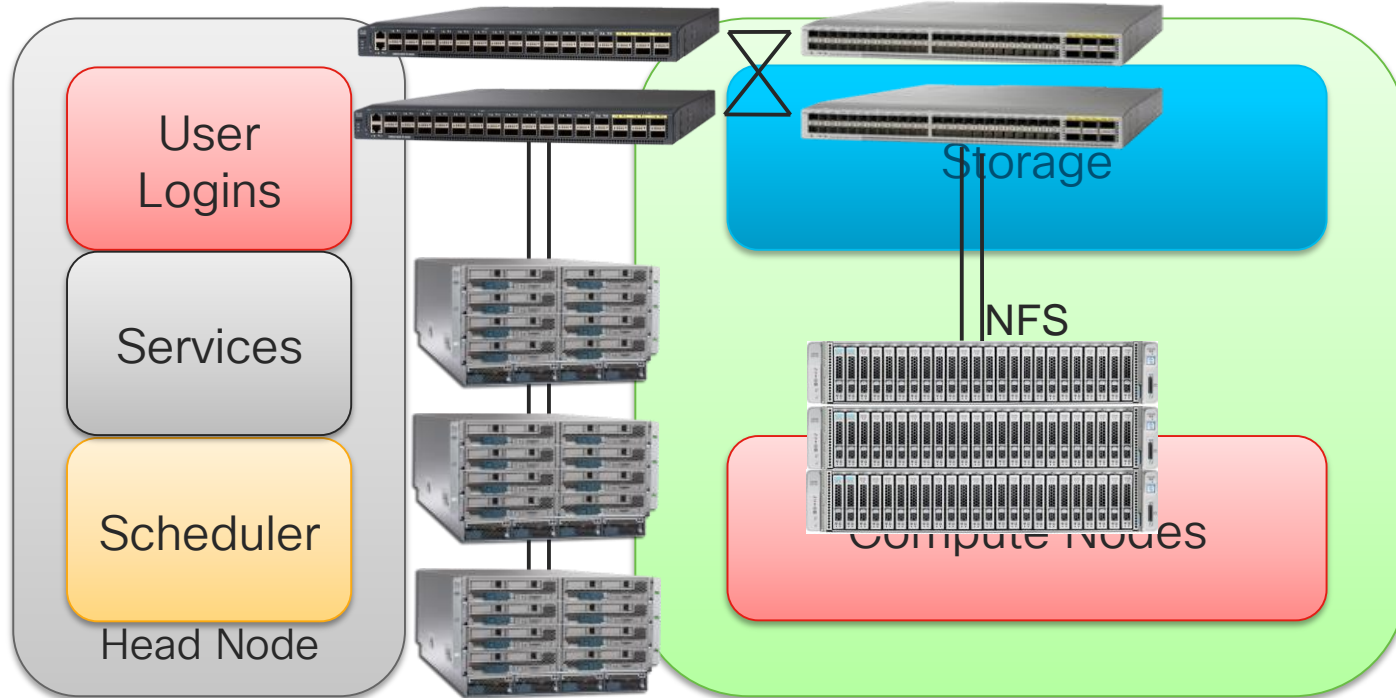
Workload Types

- Compute-bound computations
 - Statistical modeling simulations
 - Small inputs, Large Outputs
- Large scale independent tasks
 - Parameter space search
 - Maybe some multi-core software
- GPU enabled software

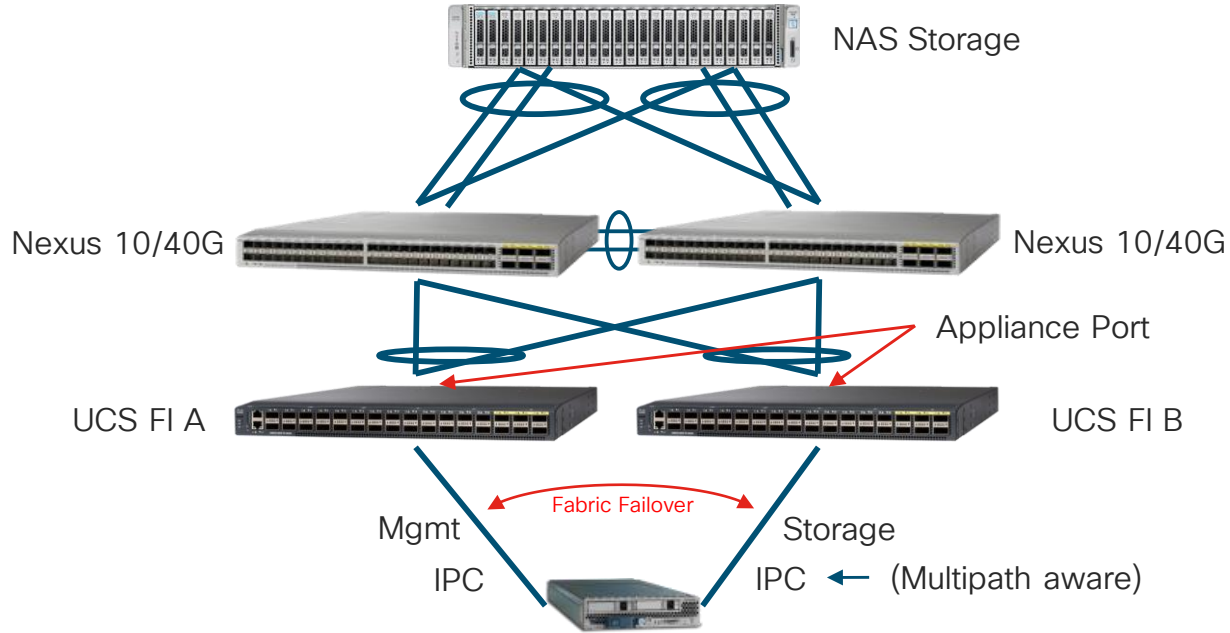
Resource Scale

- Compute
 - 1 UCS domain (<160 nodes)
 - 10GE server
- Networking
 - HPC Local to FI
- Storage
 - Low-modest IOPs
 - GB or smaller streaming r/w

Novel approach to small environments



Implementation Details



“Medium” Research Computing Environments

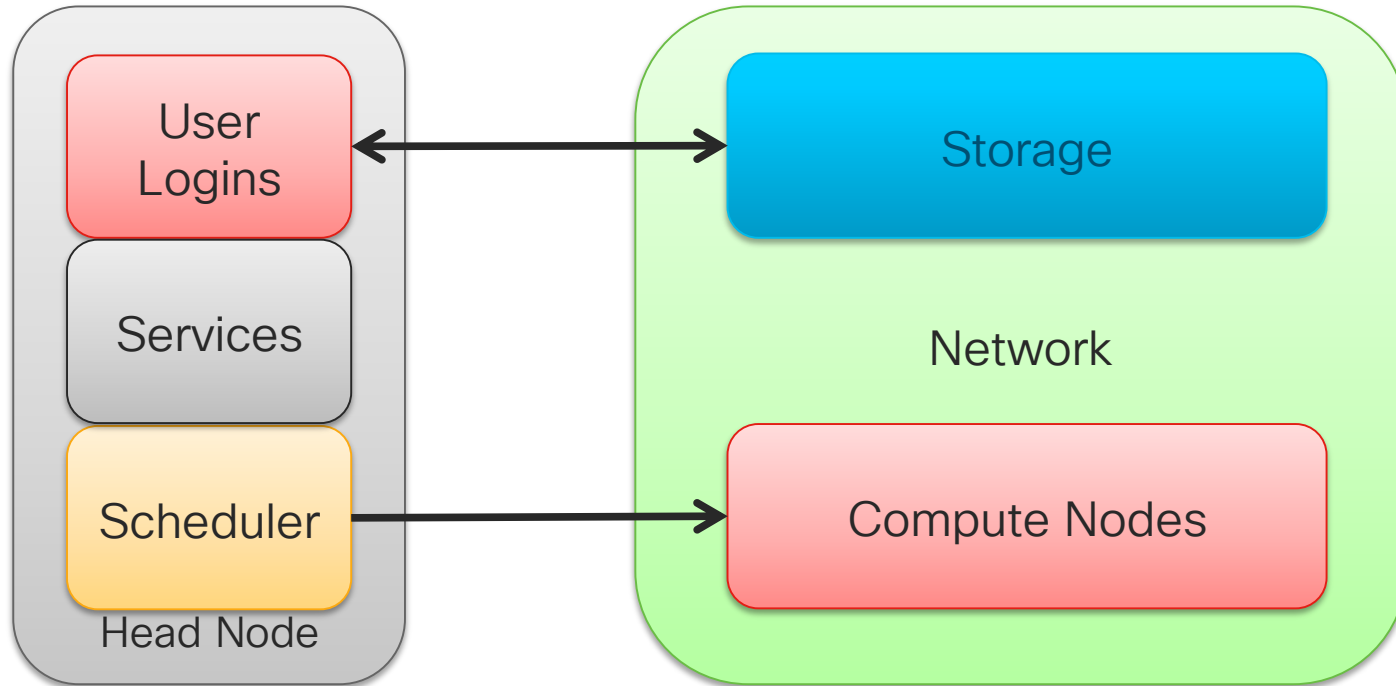
Workload Type

- Multi-node Applications
 - MPI low comm/calc ratio
- TB scale data sets
 - Streaming reads
 - Many nodes, concurrent access
- Balance of I/O and Compute
 - CPU or GPU heavy processing

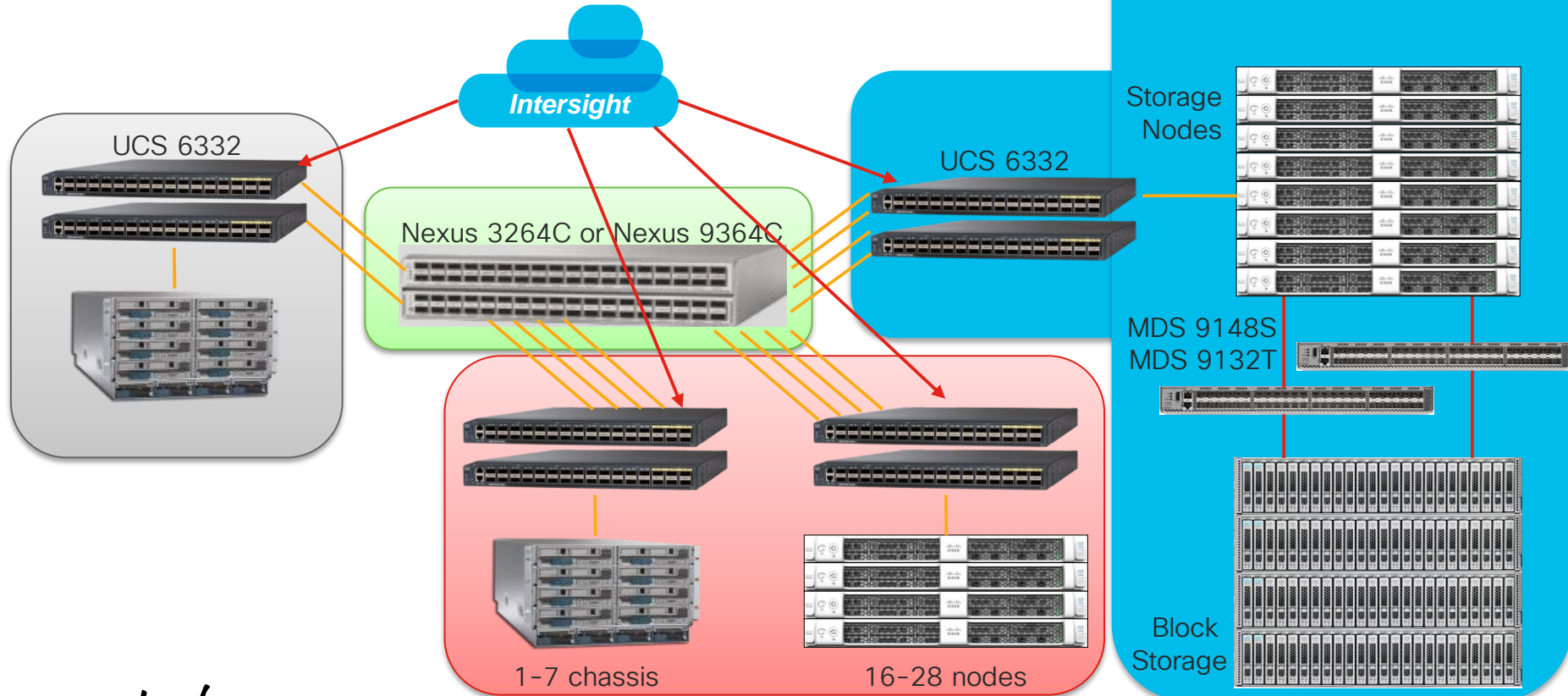
Resource Scale

- Compute
 - Multiple Domains
 - 10GE or 40GE
- Networking
 - Multi-tier UCS/Nexus
- Storage
 - Parallel Filesystems

“Medium” Research Computing Environments



UCS building standard HPC designs



Cisco Validated Designs for Big Data



Cloudera



SAP



Splunk



MapR



Hortonworks

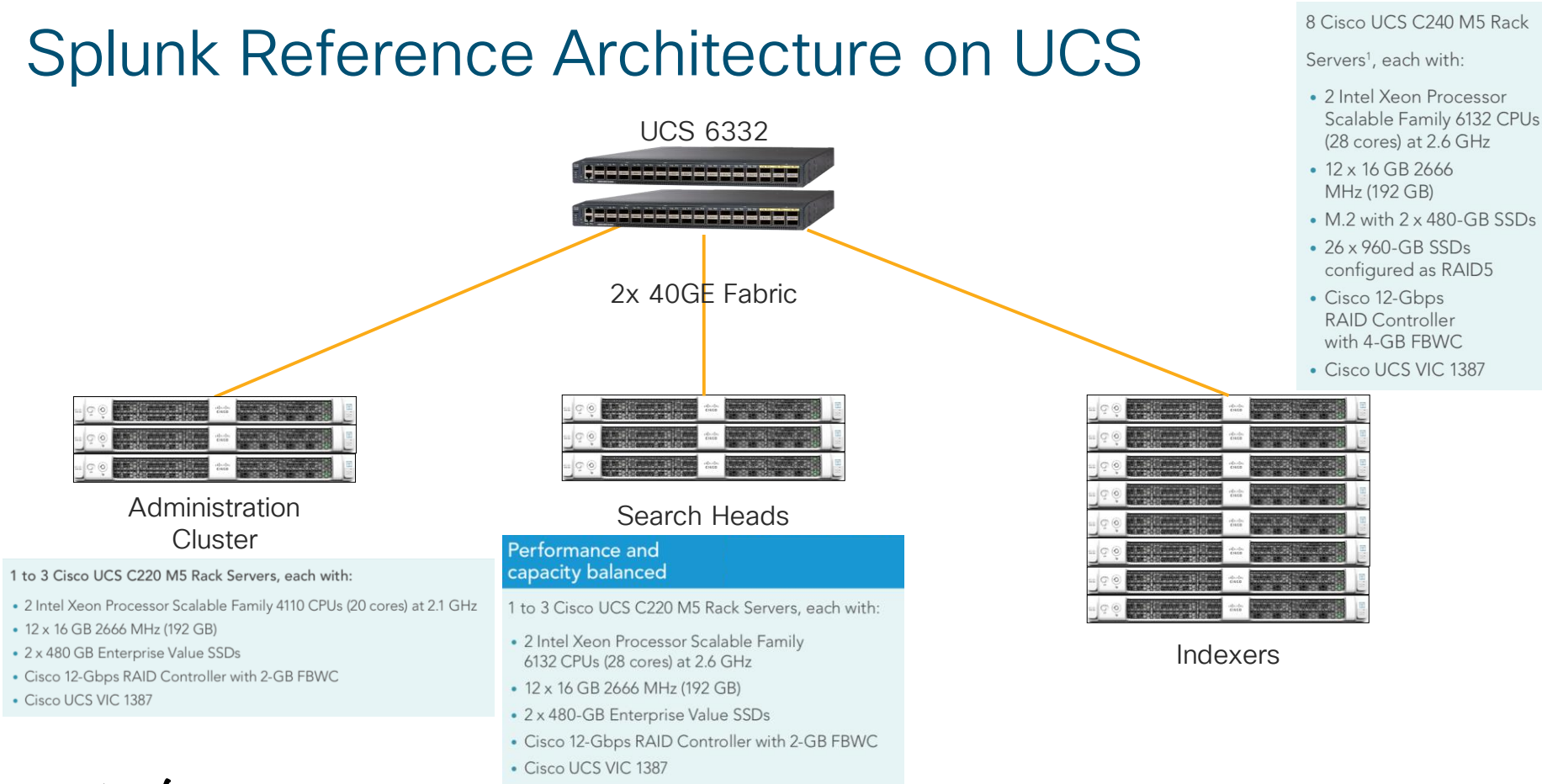


IBM



SAS

Splunk Reference Architecture on UCS



UCS References Architectures for Custom Needs

Bundle	Blade	High performance	Performance	Capacity	High capacity
Server SKU		UCS-SP-C220M5-A2	UCS-SP-C240M5-A2	UCS-SPC240M5L-S1	UCSS-SP-S3260-BV
Supported platform	Scale out databases such as DataStax Enterprise, Elasticsearch, MongoDB, Oracle NoSQL Database, Pivotal Greenplum DB, MemSQL and Couchbase		Scale out systems such as Cloudera, Hortonworks, MapR, Transwarp, Pivotal Greenplum DB, Pivotal HD, SAS Analytics, Splunk Enterprise, Vertica, Elasticsearch and MarkLogic		Cloudera, Hortonworks, MapR, Splunk Enterprise, MapR-XD, Cisco VSOM, Milestone, Genetec, SDS like Scality, IBM Cloud Object Storage and SwiftStack
Servers	8 x Cisco UCS B200 M5 Blade Servers	8 x Cisco UCS C220 M5 Rack Servers	16 x Cisco UCS C240 M5 Rack Servers with Small-Form-Factor (SFF) drives	16 x Cisco UCS C240 M5 Rack Servers with Large-Form-Factor (LFF) drives	8 x Cisco UCS S3260 Storage Server, each server node with
CPU	2 x Intel Xeon Processor Scalable Family 6132 (2 x 14 cores and 2.6 GHz)	2 Intel Xeon Processor Scalable Family 6132 (2 x 14 cores and 2.6 GHz)	2 Intel Xeon Processor Scalable Family 6132 (2 x 14 cores and 2.6 GHz)	2 Intel Xeon Processor Scalable Family 4110 (2 x 8 cores and 2.1 GHz)	2 Intel Xeon processor E5-
Memory	12 x 16 GB 2666 MHz (192 GB)	12 x 16 GB 2666 MHz (192 GB)	12 x 16 GB 2666 MHz (192 GB)	12 x 16 GB 2666 MHz (192 GB)	8 x 32 GB 2400MHz (256 GB)
Boot	M.2 with 2 x 480-GB SSDs	M.2 with 2 x 480-GB SSDs	M.2 with 2 x 480-GB SSDs	M.2 with 2 x 480-GB SSDs	2 x 480-GB Enterprise Value Boot SSDs
Storage	2 x Cisco 2.5-inch 7.7-TB HGST SN200 NVMe High-Performance Enterprise Value	8 drives of 1.6-TB Enterprise Value SATA SSD SFFs	26 drives of 1.8-TB 10,000-rpm SFF SAS HDDs or 12 x 1.6-TB Enterprise Value SATA SSDs	12 x 8-TB 7200-rpm LFF SAS drives and 2 x 1.6 -TB Enterprise Value SATA SSDs	24 x 6-TB 7200-rpm LFF SAS drives
VIC	40-Gbps Cisco UCS VIC 1340 mLOM	40-Gbps Cisco UCS VIC 1387	40-Gbps Cisco UCS VIC 1387	40-Gbps Cisco UCS VIC 1387	40-Gbps Cisco UCS VIC 1387
Storage controller	Cisco FlexStorage PCIe SSD passthrough module with Hard-Disk-Drive (HDD) cage	Cisco 12-Gbps SAS Modular RAID Controller with 2-GB Flash-Based Write Cache (FBWC) or Cisco 12-Gbps Modular SAS Host Bus Adapter (HBA)	Cisco 12-Gbps SAS Modular RAID Controller with 4-GB FBWC or Cisco 12-Gbps Modular SAS HBA	Cisco 12-Gbps SAS Modular RAID Controller with 2-GB FBWC or Cisco 12-Gbps Modular SAS HBA	Cisco 12-Gbps SAS Modular RAID Controller with 4-GB FBWC
Network connectivity	Cisco UCS 6332 Fabric Interconnect	Cisco UCS 6332 Fabric Interconnect	Cisco UCS 6332 Fabric Interconnect	Cisco UCS 6332 Fabric Interconnect	Cisco UCS 6332 Fabric Interconnect

“Large” Research Computing Environments

Workload Types

- Any and all of the above
 - At scales beyond normal DC design
- Tightly coupled analyses
 - Communication heavy
 - Large multi-node applications
 - Messages are small (4-16K)
- Large data sets feeding GPUs
- GPU-to-GPU Direct RDMA Copy

Resource Scale

- Compute
 - 100s to 1000s
- Network
 - Low latency, large bandwidth
 - Separate network infrastructure
- Storage
 - Dedicated parallel FS appliance(s)
 - Multiple clusters of storage servers

Nexus 100G Portfolio



32p 100G QSFP28
Nexus 3232C



64p 100G QSFP28
Nexus 3264C

450ns latency
Merchant Silicon

Line Rate Telemetry
MACSEC Encryption

36p 100G QSFP28
Nexus 9336C-FX2



64p 40/100G QSFP28
Nexus 9364C



100G/40G Line Rate Performance (>250B)

Nexus 100G Portfolio

NX-OS Based Switches



32p 100G QSFP
Nexus 3232C

3.2Tbps switching with single chip
16MB Shared Buffer, 450ns switching latency



64p 100G QSFP28
Nexus 3264C

6.4Tbps switching with single chip
42MB Shared Buffer, 450ns switching latency



36p 100G QSFP
Nexus 9336C-FX2

3.6 Tbps switching with single chip
40MB Shared Buffer
100G Line Rate MACSEC, SSX Telemetry

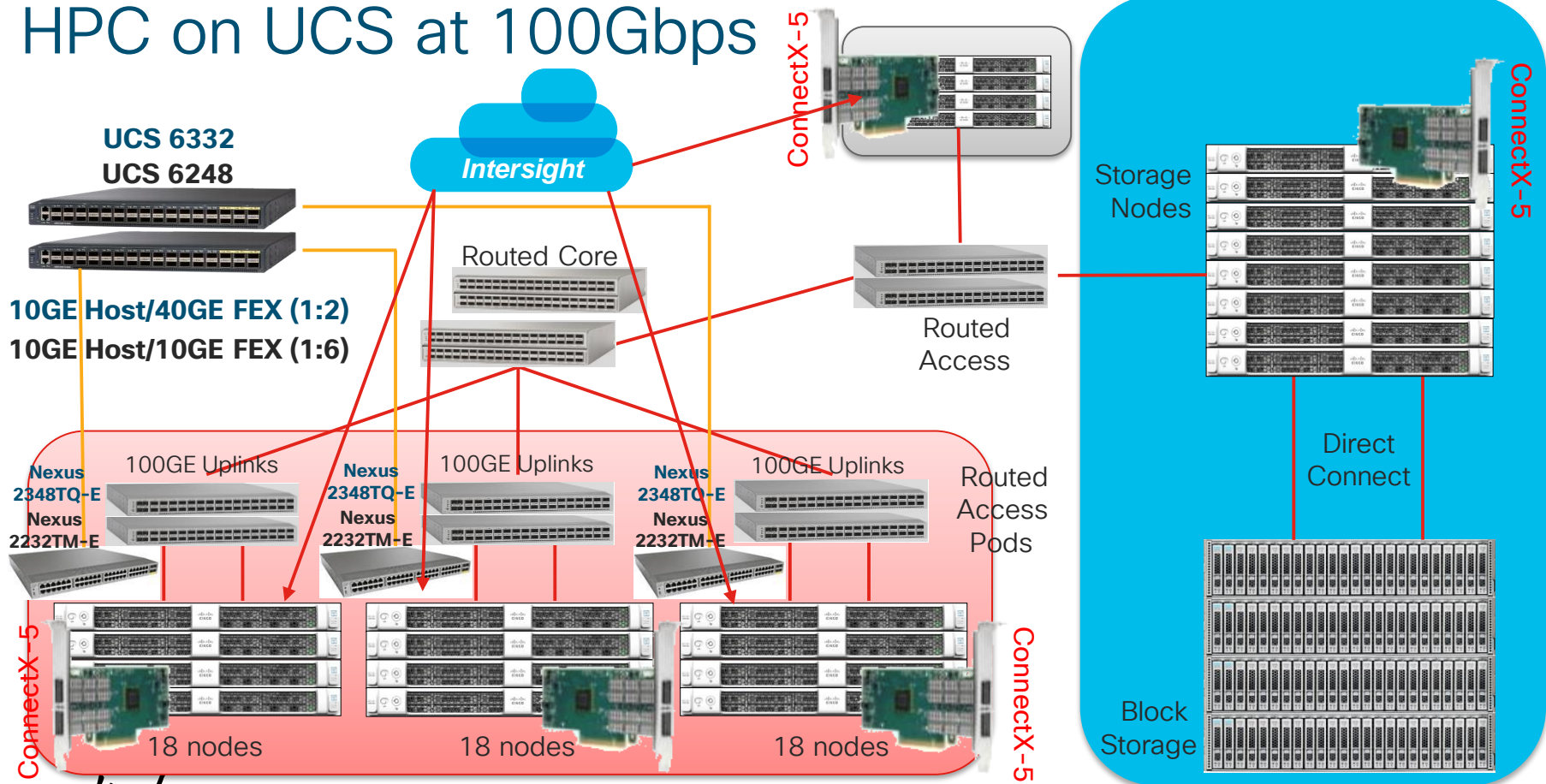


64p 40/100G QSFP
Nexus 9364C

6.4Tbps switching with single chip
40MB Shared Buffer
100G Line Rate MACSEC, SSX Telemetry

100G/40G Line Rate Performance (>250B)

HPC on UCS at 100Gbps



UCS Drills into Oil and Gas

14x UCS C220-M5

10x pair of Racks = 8 SU

A pair of Rack Computing:

72 ports 100 or 40G

12 ports 100G uplinks

60 ports 40G downlinks

Oversubscription 2:1

16 UCS C240-M5 servers

Total of 23.1 Tera FLOPs (CPUs)

8 Magma Chassis

64x NVIDIA P100 or

595.2 Tera FLOPs (GPUs)

14 UCS C220-M5 servers

Total 629.9 Tera FLOPs

4x UCS C240-M5
2x Magma EB3600-AB

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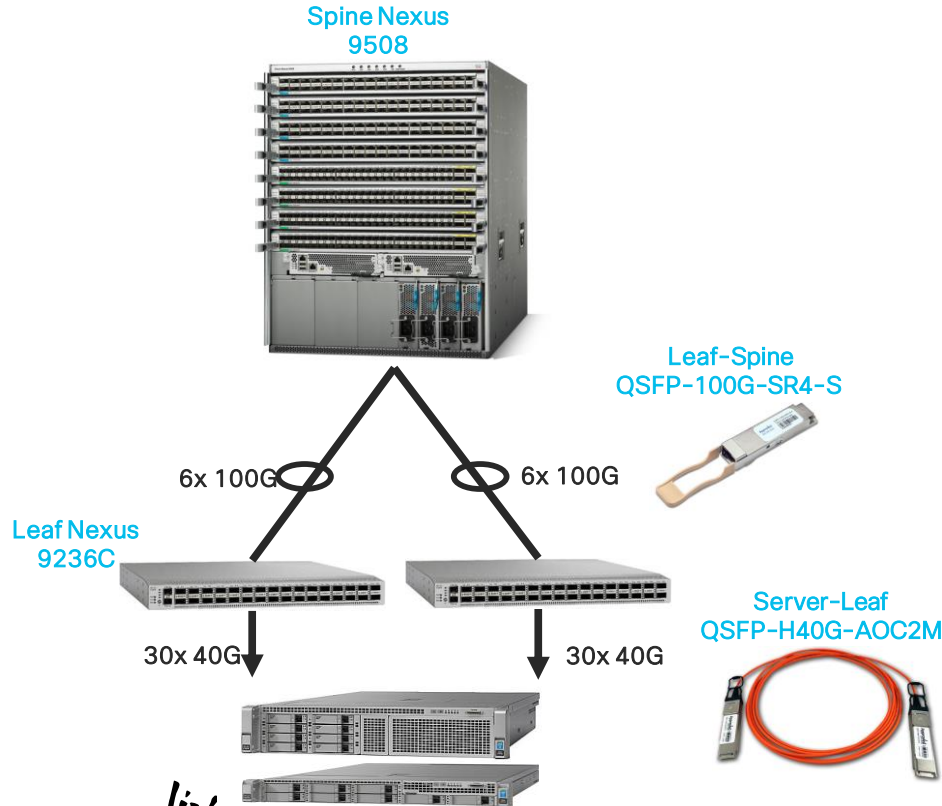
2x Nexus 9236C
1x Cat 2960X-48T

4x UCS C240-M5
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Oil and Gas Network Topology



Spine ports

32-ports 100G module

Leaf ports

6 100G uplink ports (600G)

30 40G downlink ports (1200G)

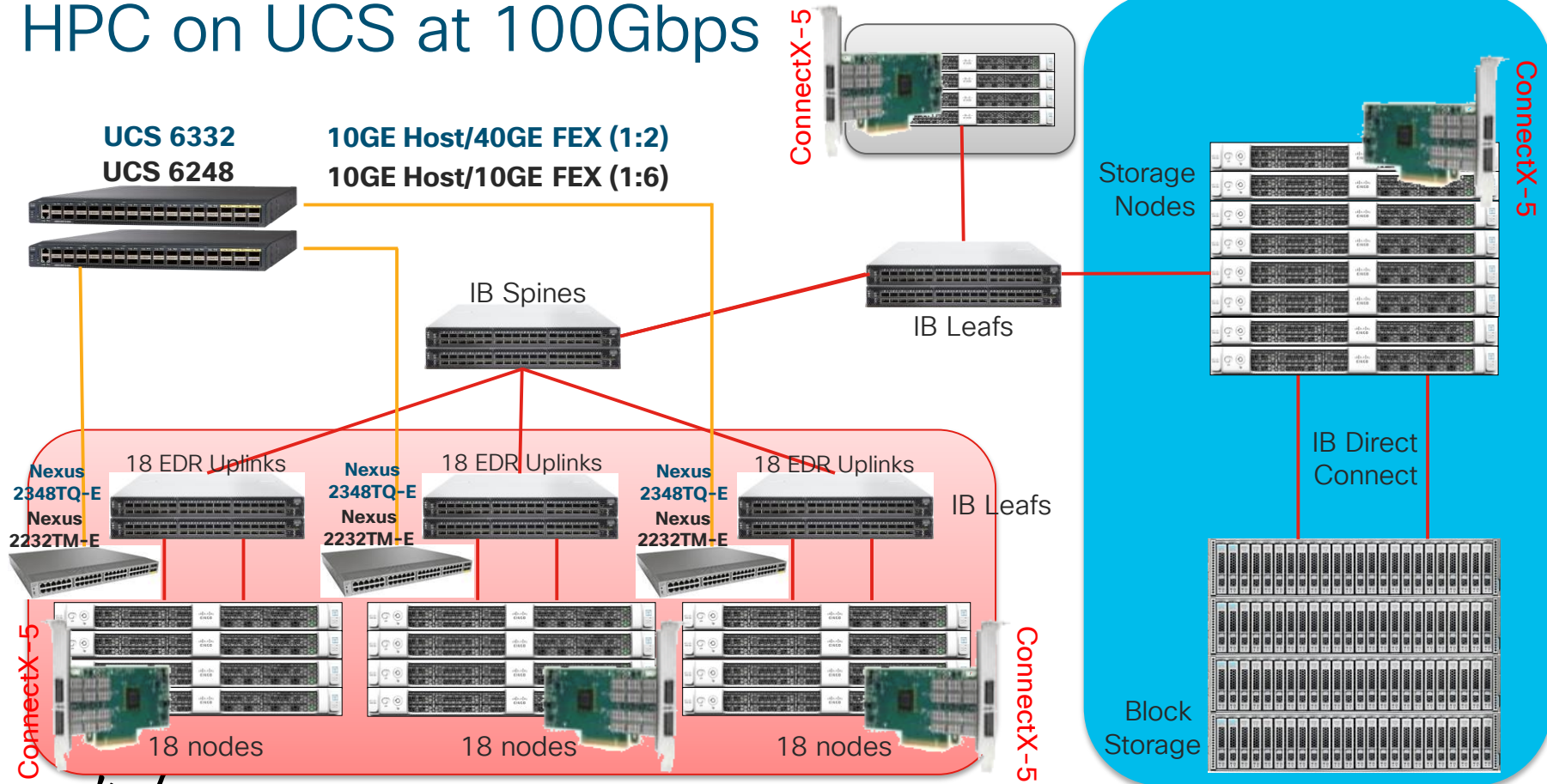
Oversubscription 2 : 1

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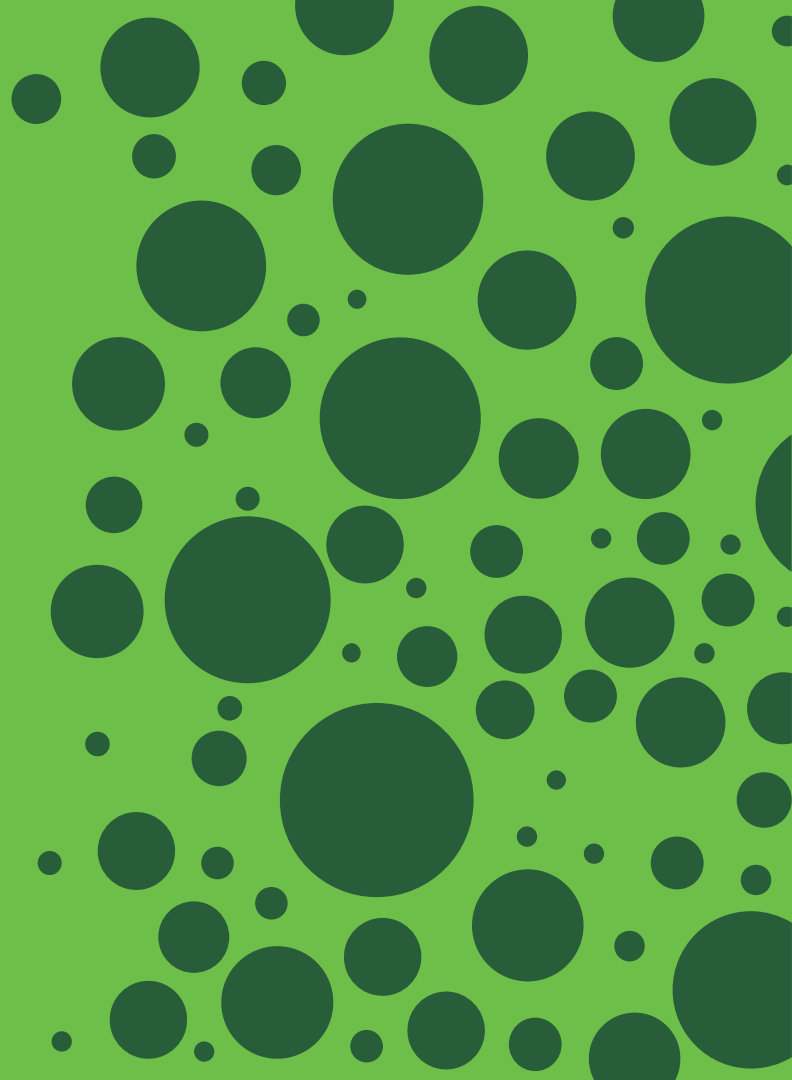
3 Nexus 9508 Spine supports up to 256 Leafs

3 Nexus 9516 Spine supports up to 512 Leafs

HPC on UCS at 100Gbps



It's been a long time
since I asked for
questions



UCS Solution Summary

- UCS has a reliable, low risk portfolio
- UCS offers a proven ease-of-use operational benefits
- UCS enables automation of hardware provisioning that can integrate with established OS configuration management tools
- UCS provides competitive options for small and mid-size research computing environments
- UCS extends competitive computing solutions through support of 3rd party components for advanced communication needs

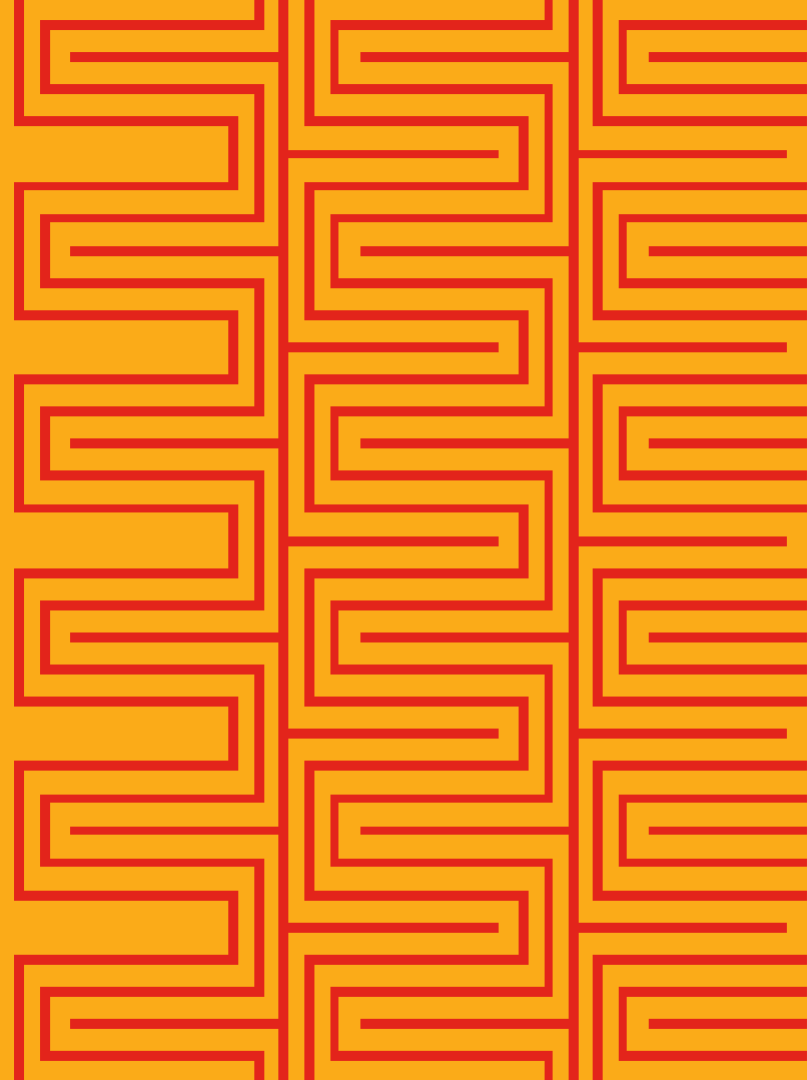
UCS Sweet Spots

- Better TCO for Enterprises with sustained usage (>30%)
- Leverage HPC environment as part of DR plan
- No dedicated HPC specialists to run infrastructure
- Need platform with automation to integrate into your existing toolsets (Ansible, Puppet, etc)

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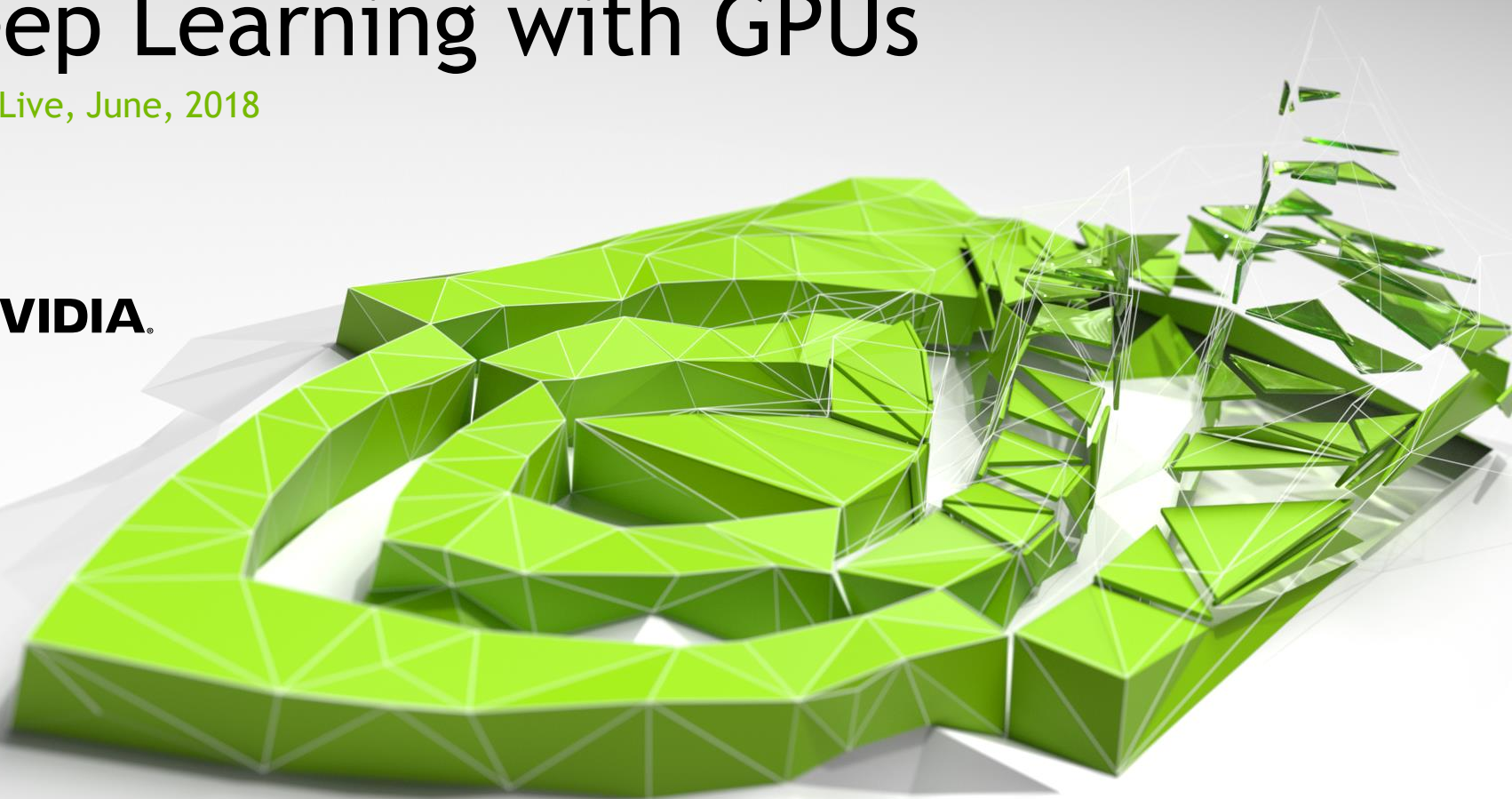


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Deep Learning with GPUs

CiscoLive, June, 2018



AGENDA

What is Deep Learning?

Example Use Cases (Healthcare emphasis)

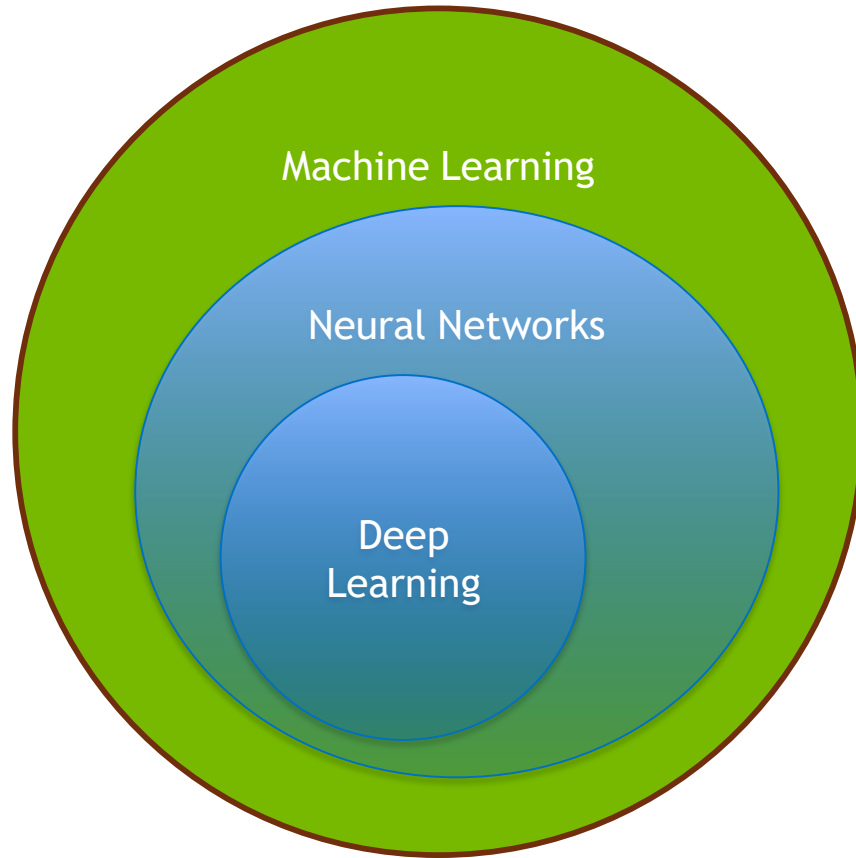
GPUs and DL

DL in practice

DIGITS Demo (time permitting)

What is Deep Learning?





Traditional machine perception

Hand crafted feature extractors

Raw data



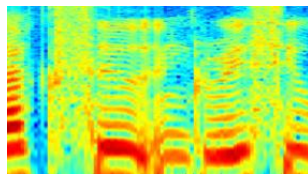
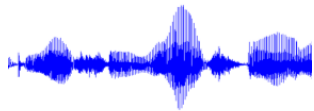
Feature extraction



Classifier/
detector

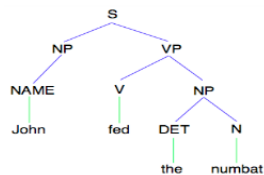
SVM,
shallow neural net,
...

Result



HMM,
shallow neural net,
...

Speaker ID,
speech transcription, ...

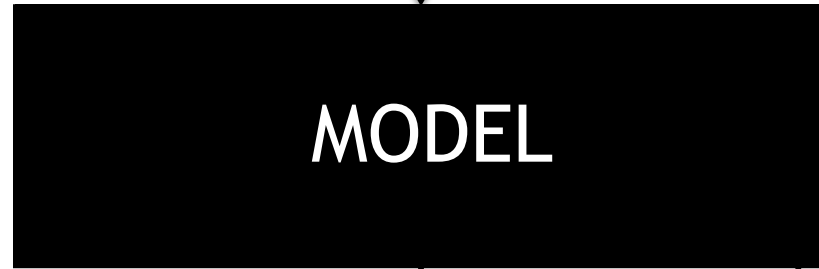
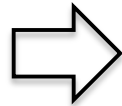


Clustering, HMM,
LDA, LSA
...

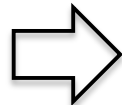
Topic classification,
machine translation,
sentiment analysis

Machine learning approach

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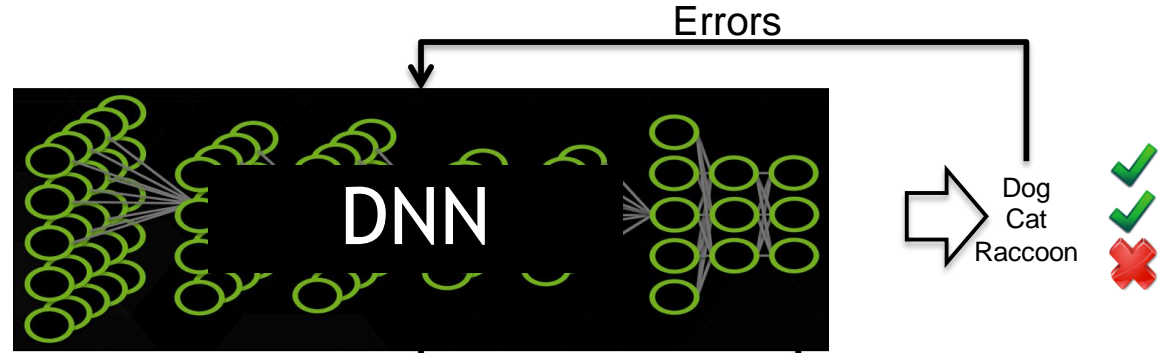
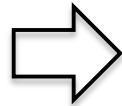


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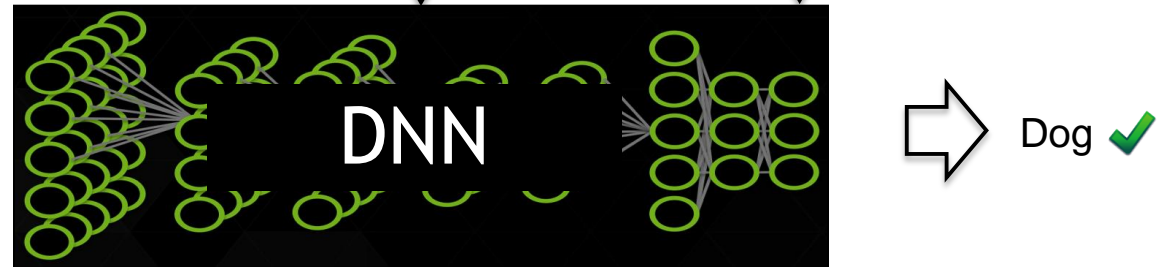
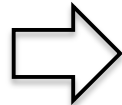


Deep learning approach

Train:

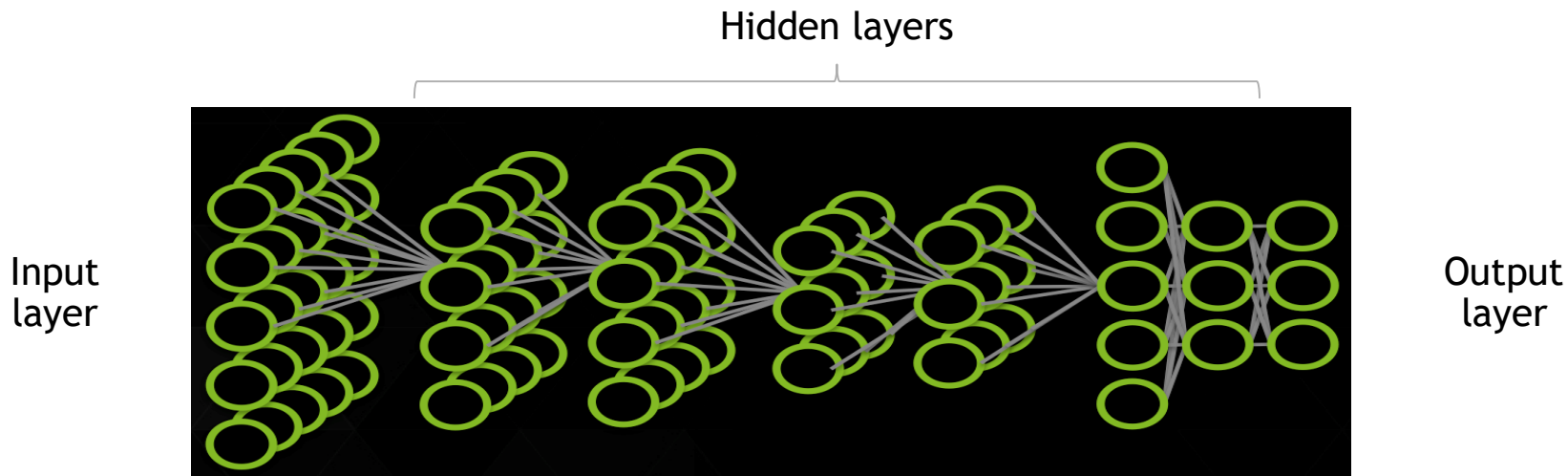


Deploy:



Artificial neural network

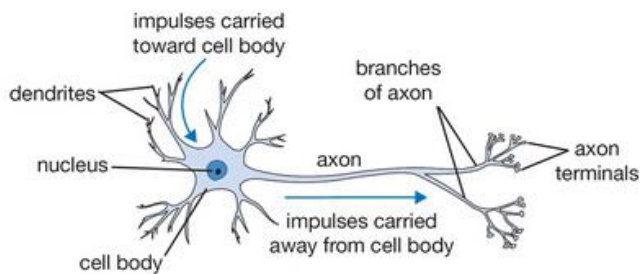
A collection of simple, trainable mathematical units that collectively learn complex functions



Given sufficient training data an artificial neural network can approximate very complex functions mapping raw data to output decisions

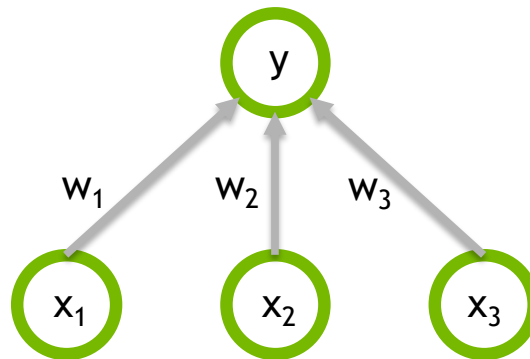
Artificial neurons

Biological neuron



From Stanford cs231n lecture notes

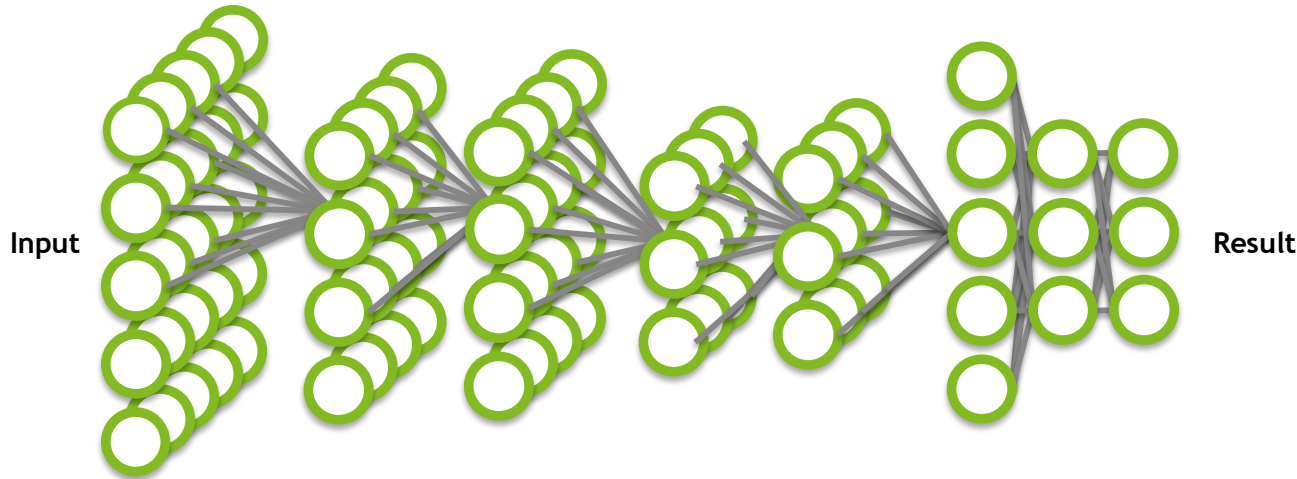
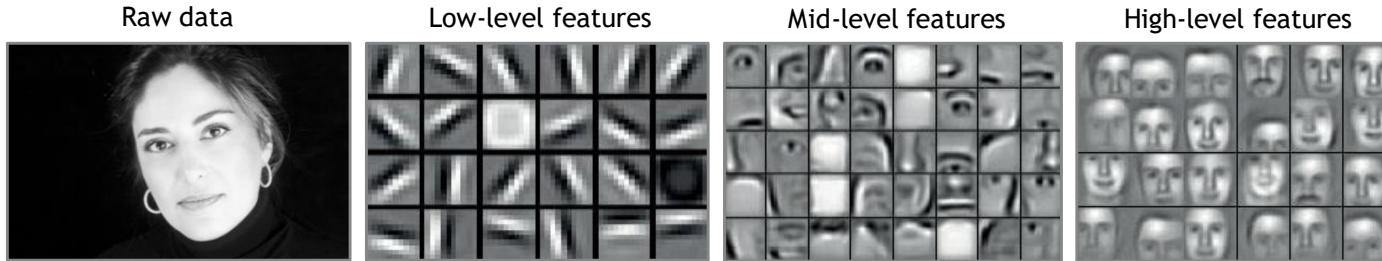
Artificial neuron



$$y = F(w_1x_1 + w_2x_2 + w_3x_3)$$

$$F(x) = \max(0, x)$$

Deep neural network (DNN)



Application components:

Task objective
e.g. Identify face

Training data
10-100M images

Network architecture
~10s-100s of layers
1B parameters

Learning algorithm
~30 Exaflops
1-30 GPU days

Deep learning benefits

- **Robust**

- No need to design the features ahead of time - features are automatically learned to be optimal for the task at hand
- Robustness to natural variations in the data is automatically learned

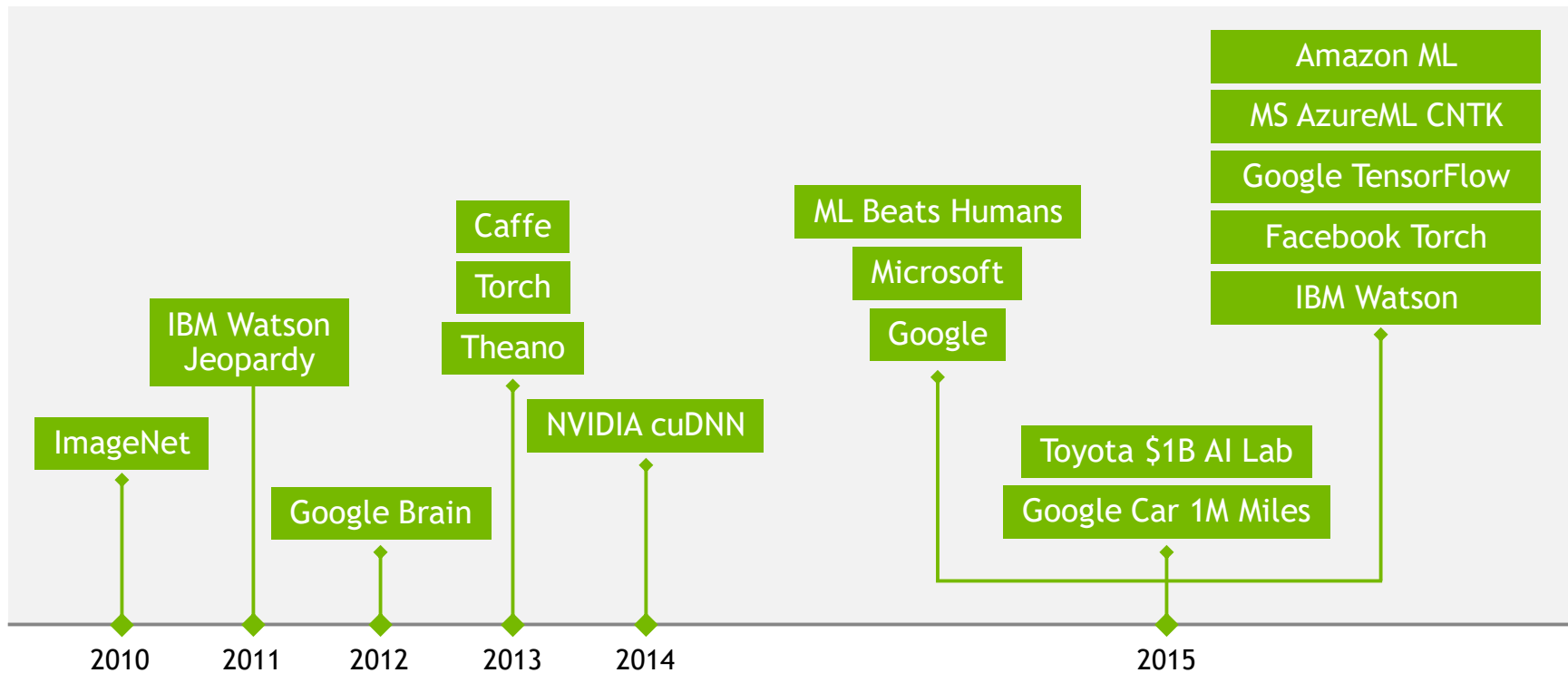
- **Generalizable**

- The same neural net approach can be used for many different applications and data types

- **Scalable**

- Performance improves with more data, method is massively parallelizable

The AI race is on



AlphaGo

First Computer Program to Beat a Human Go Professional

Training DNNs: 3 weeks, 340 million training steps on 50 GPUs

Play: Asynchronous multi-threaded search

Simulations on CPUs, policy and value DNNs in parallel on GPUs

Single machine: 40 search threads, 48 CPUs, and 8 GPUs

Distributed version: 40 search threads, 1202 CPUs and 176 GPUs

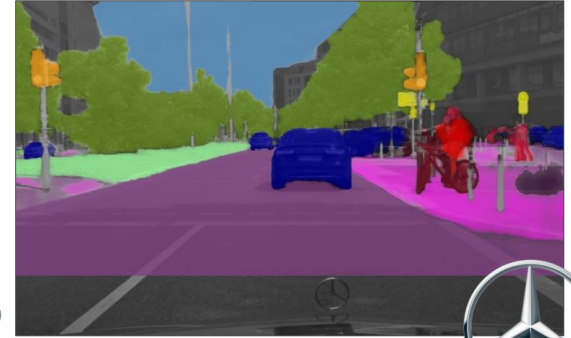
Outcome: Beat both European and World Go champions in best of 5 matches

<http://www.nature.com/nature/journal/v529/n7587/full/nature16961.html>

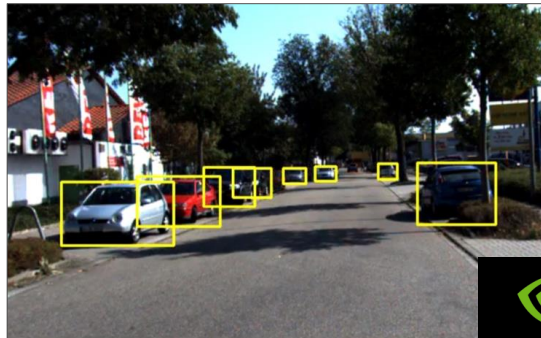
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Deep Learning for Autonomous vehicles



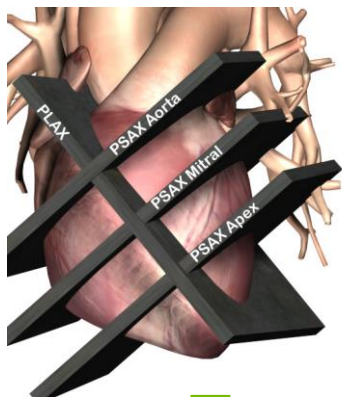
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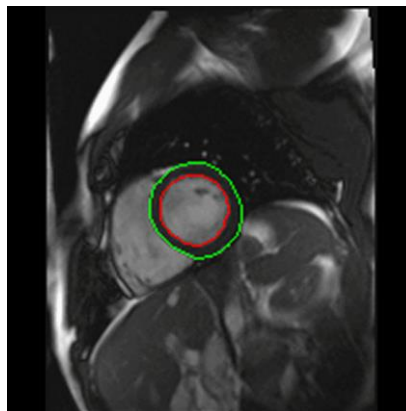
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Automating Cardiac MRI analysis

DL performance matches expert cardiologist at computing ejection fraction - a key indicator of heart disease

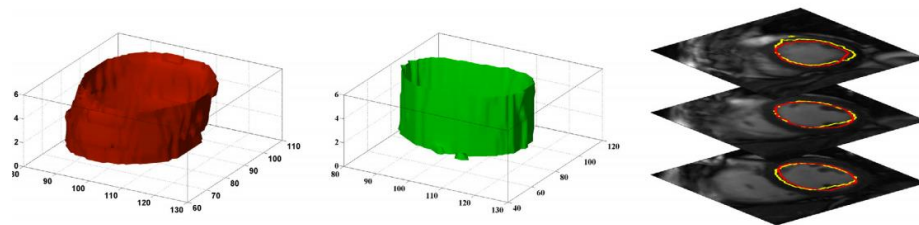


Manual
annotation



C.M.S. Nambaksh et al./Medical Image Analysis 17 (2013) 1010-1024

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Software
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Safeguarding patients' health through enhanced preventative medicine

- 'Deep Patient' analyzes electronic health records to predict 78 diseases, up to one year prior to onset
- Neural network trained on 100,000's records using NVIDIA® Tesla® K80 GPU and CUDA® programming model.

"For most diseases, prevention is easier than reversal. Deep Patient could have a huge impact on people's health."

-Joel T. Dudley, Assistant Professor of Genetics, Genomic Sciences Director of Biomedical Informatics

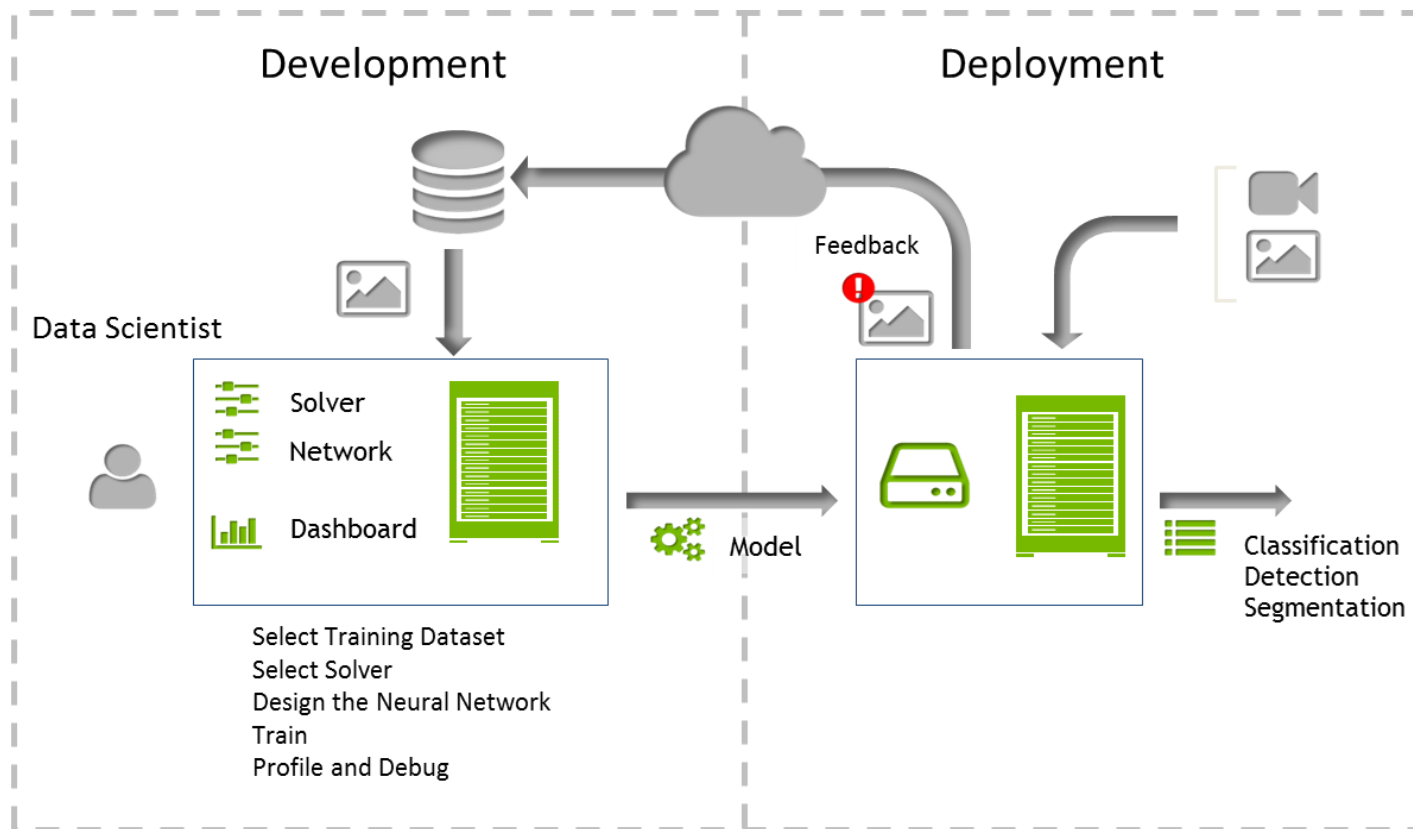




GPUs and DL

USE MORE PROCESSORS TO GO FASTER

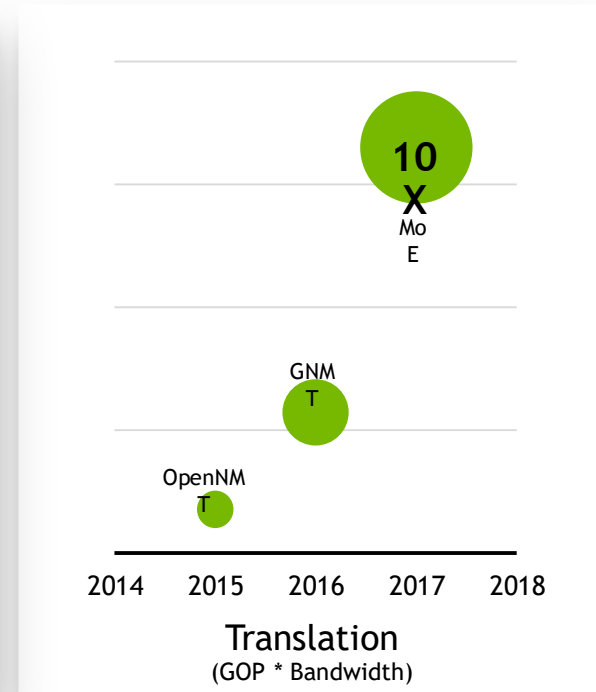
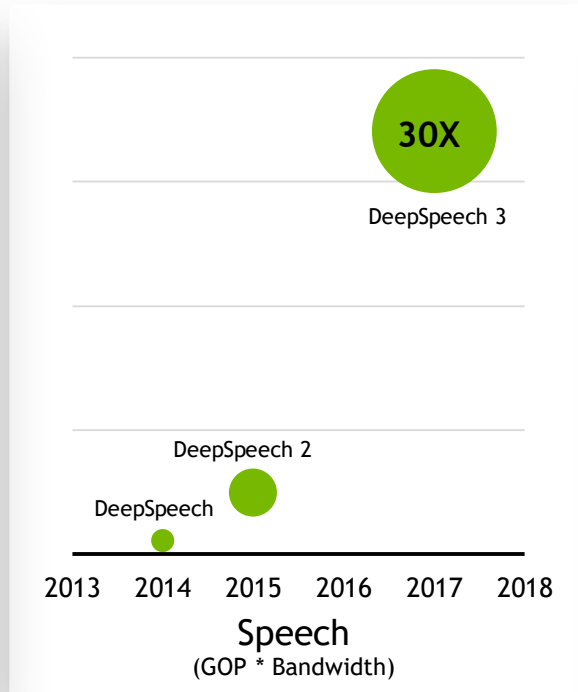
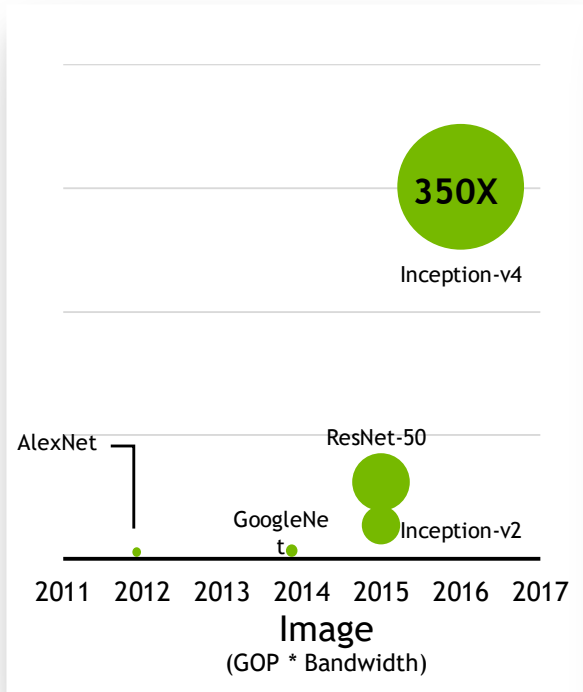
Deep learning development cycle



TESLA PLATFORM FOR AI

NEURAL NETWORK COMPLEXITY IS EXPLODING

Bigger and More Compute Intensive



PLATFORM BUILT FOR AI

Delivering 125 TFLOPS of DL Performance with Volta



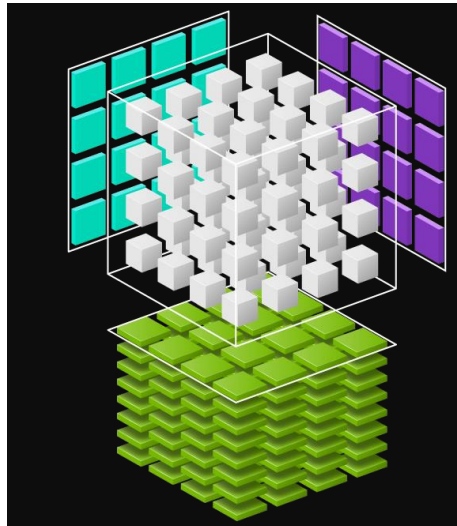
MATRIX DATA OPTIMIZATION:

Dense Matrix of Tensor Compute

TENSOR-OP CONVERSION:

FP32 to Tensor Op Data for Frameworks

VOLTA-OPTIMIZED cuDNN



VOLTA TENSOR CORE

4x4 matrix processing array
 $D[FP32] = A[FP16] * B[FP16] + C[FP32]$
Optimized For Deep Learning



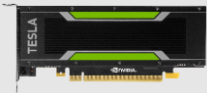
ALL MAJOR FRAMEWORKS

END-TO-END PRODUCT FAMILY

HYPERSCALE HPC



Training & Inference - Tesla V100



Most Efficient Inference & Transcoding - Tesla P4

Deep learning training & inference

STRONG-SCALE HPC



Tesla V100 with NVLink

HPC and DL workloads scaling to multiple GPUs





MIXED-APPS HPC



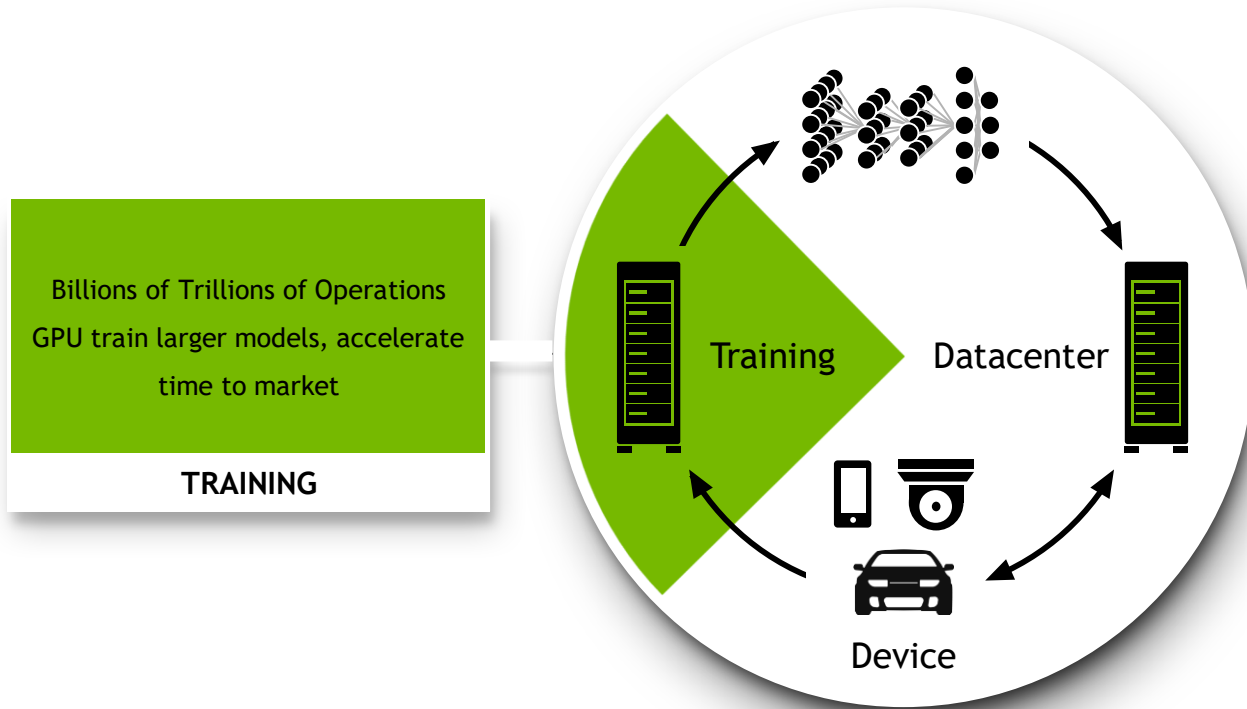
Tesla V100 with PCI-E

HPC workloads with mix of CPU and GPU workloads

TESLA PRODUCTS RECOMMENDATION

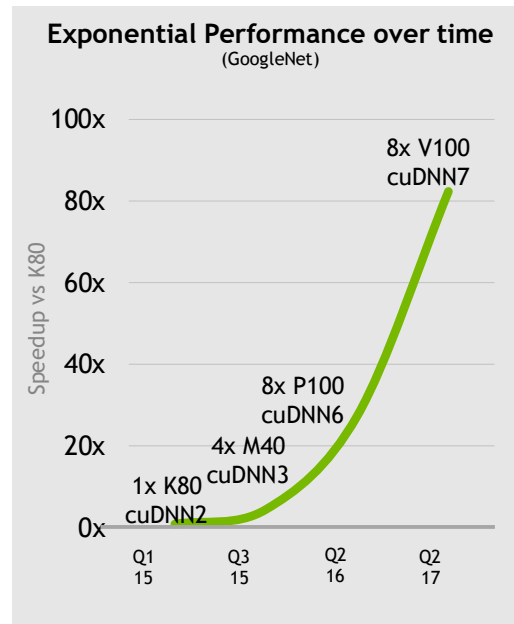
PRODUCT	V100			P4
	 V100 for PCIe	 V100 for NVLink	 V100 for Hyperscale	 P4 for PCIe
Target Use Cases	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Universal GPU for accelerating HPC and AI Workloads • Available in 3 form factors 			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Low power, low profile optimized for scale out DL inference deployment • Most efficient inference and video processing
Form Factors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tesla V100 for NVLink: Ultimate performance for DL • Tesla V100 for PCIe: Highest versatility for all workloads • Tesla V100 for Hyperscale: Maximum efficiency for scale-out hyperscale data centers 			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PCIe
Best Configs.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PCIe: 2-4 GPU/node • NVLink: 8 way Hybrid Cube Mesh • Hyperscale: 2-4 GPU/node 			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1-2 GPU/node
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GPU DEEP LEARNING IS A NEW COMPUTING MODEL



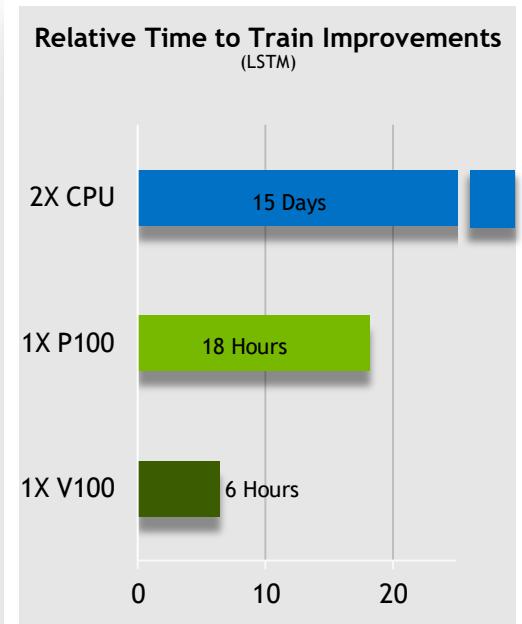
REVOLUTIONARY AI PERFORMANCE

3X Faster DL Training Performance



Over 80X DL Training Performance in 3 Years

GoogleNet Training Performance on versions of cuDNN
Vs 1x K80 cuDNN2



3X Reduction in Time to Train Over P100

Neural Machine Translation Training for 13 Epochs (German ->English, WMT15 subset) | CPU - 2x
Xeon E5 2699 V4

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TESLA V100



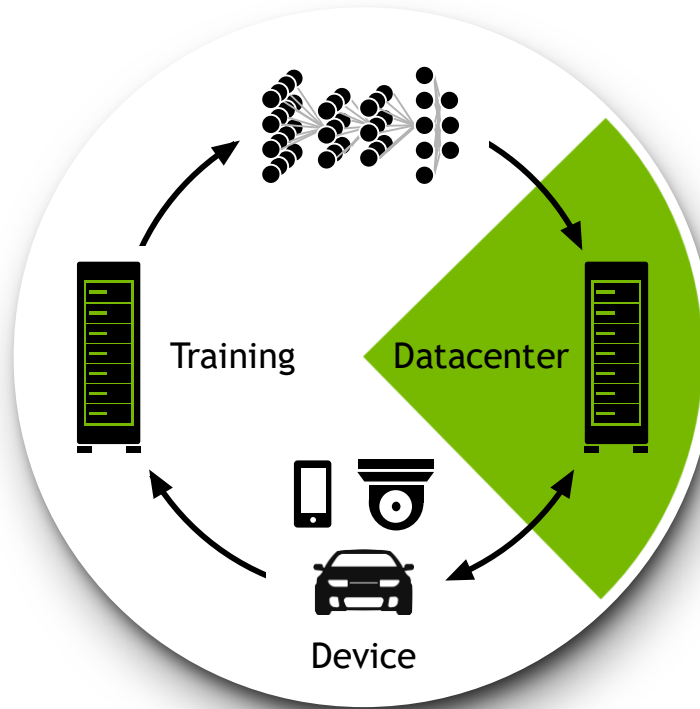
For NVLink Servers



For PCIe Servers

Core	5120 CUDA cores, 640 Tensor cores	5120 CUDA cores, 640 Tensor cores
Compute	7.8 TF DP · 15.7 TF SP · 125 TF DL	7 TF DP · 14 TF SP · 112 TF DL
Memory	HBM2: 900 GB/s · 16 GB	HBM2: 900 GB/s · 16 GB
Interconnect	NVLink (up to 300 GB/s) + PCIe Gen3 (up to 32 GB/s)	PCIe Gen3 (up to 32 GB/s)
Power	300W	250W
Available	Now	Now

GPU DEEP LEARNING IS A NEW COMPUTING MODEL

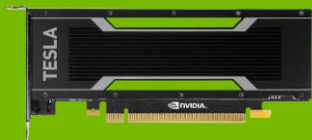


10s of billions of image, voice, video queries per day

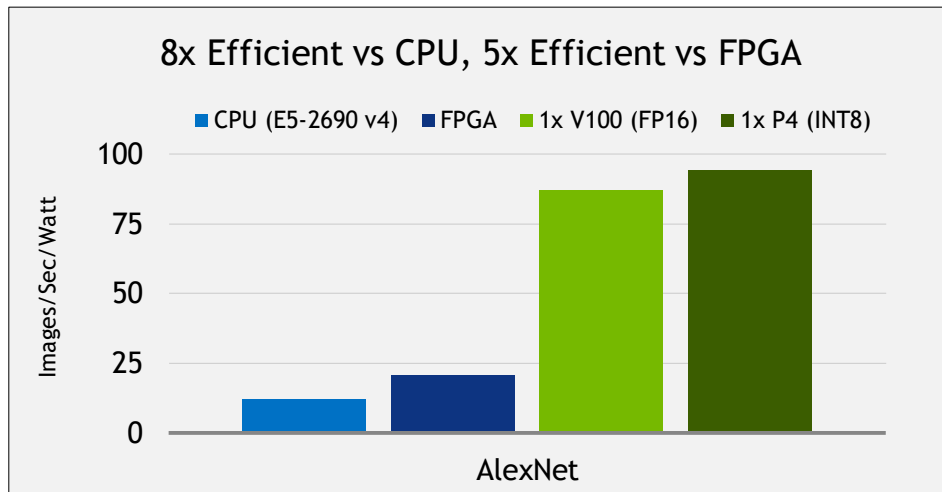
GPU inference for fast response, maximize datacenter throughput

DATACENTER INFERENCE

TESLA P4



Maximum Efficiency for Scale-out Servers



P4	
# of CUDA Cores	2560
Peak Single Precision	5.5 Teraflops
Peak INT8	22 TOPS
Low Precision	4x 8-bit vector dot product with 32-bit accumulate
Video Engines	1x decode engine, 2x encode engine
GDDR5 Memory	8 GB @ 192 GB/s
Power	50W & 75 W

*AlexNet, batch size = 128, CPU: Intel E5-2690v4 using Intel MKL 2017, FPGA is Arria10-115
P4 board power: 64W, V100 board power: 218W, CPU power: 196W includes CPU and RAM power, FPGA performance/watt taken from Intel whitepaper titled "An OpenCL™ Deep Learning Accelerator on Arria 10"*

DL in practice (DL SDK)

POWERING THE DEEP LEARNING ECOSYSTEM

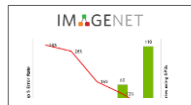
NVIDIA SDK accelerates every major framework

COMPUTER VISION

OBJECT DETECTION



IMAGE CLASSIFICATION



SPEECH & AUDIO

VOICE RECOGNITION



LANGUAGE TRANSLATION



NATURAL LANGUAGE PROCESSING

RECOMMENDATION ENGINES



SENTIMENT ANALYSIS



DEEP LEARNING FRAMEWORKS

Caffe



PYTORCH

theano



NVIDIA DEEP LEARNING SDK

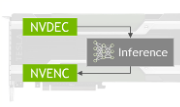
cuDNN



TensorRT



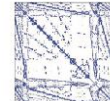
DeepStream SDK



cuBLAS



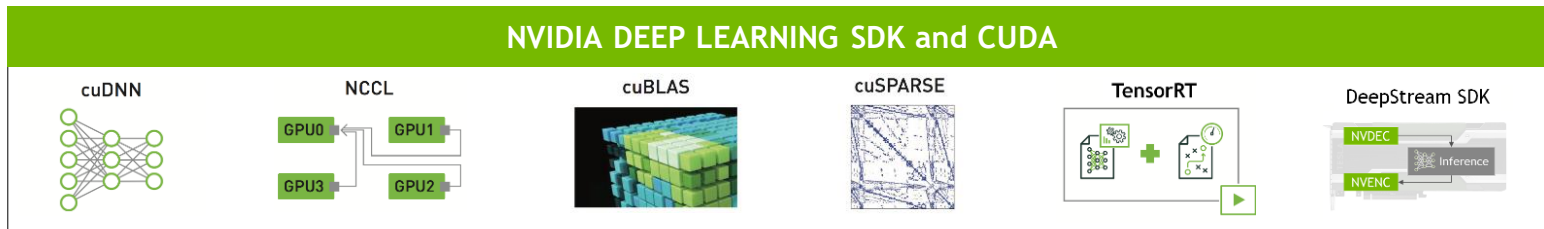
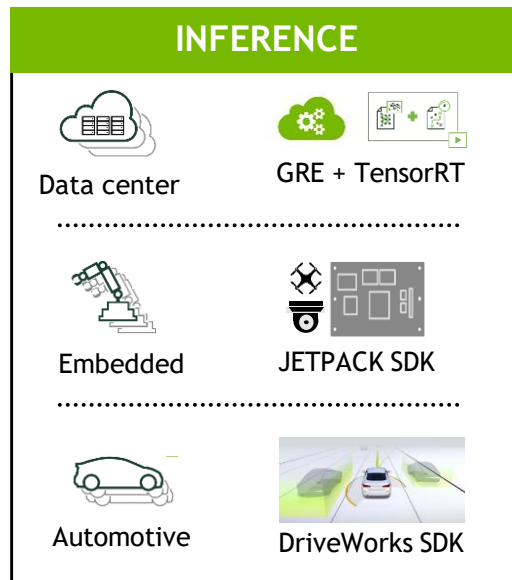
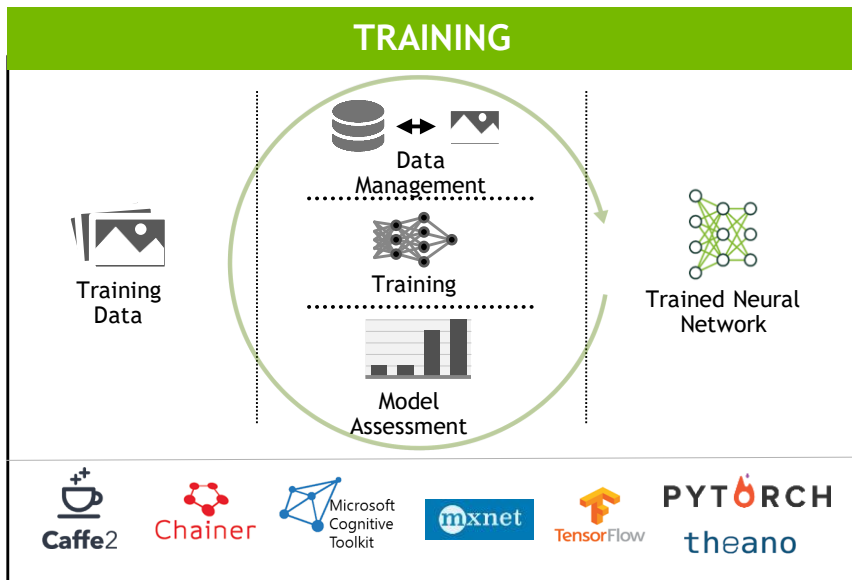
cuSPARSE



NCCL



NVIDIA DEEP LEARNING SOFTWARE PLATFORM



NVIDIA DEEP LEARNING SDK

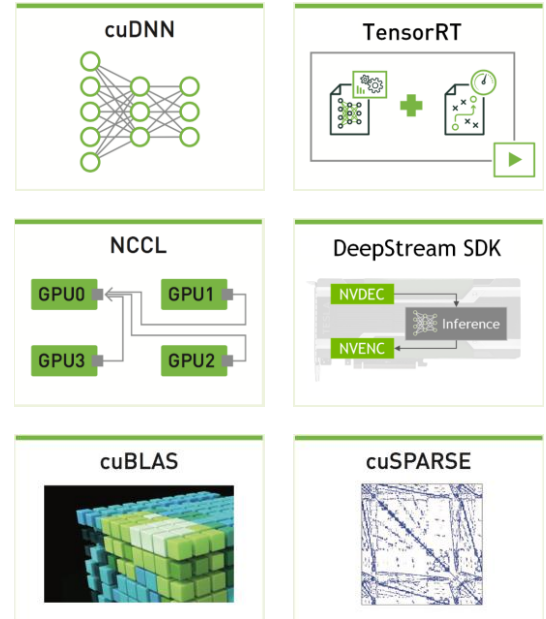
High performance GPU-acceleration for deep learning

Powerful tools and libraries for designing and deploying GPU-accelerated deep learning applications

High performance building blocks for training and deploying deep neural networks on NVIDIA GPUs

Industry vetted deep learning algorithms and linear algebra subroutines for developing novel deep neural networks

Multi-GPU and multi-node scaling that accelerates training on up to eight GPU



“ We are amazed by the steady stream of improvements made to the NVIDIA Deep Learning SDK and the speedups that they deliver.”

– *Frédéric Bastien, Team Lead (Theano) MILA*

NVIDIA cuDNN

Deep Learning Primitives

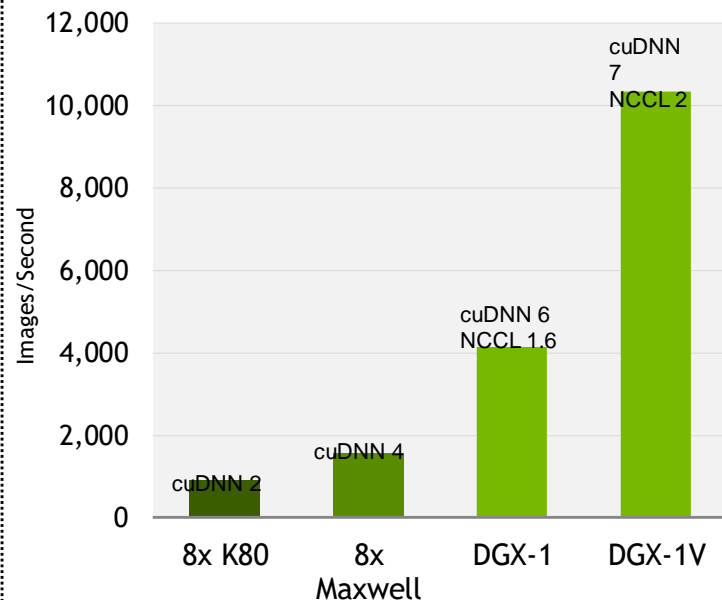
High performance building blocks for deep learning frameworks

Drop-in acceleration for widely used deep learning frameworks such as Caffe2, Microsoft Cognitive Toolkit, PyTorch, Tensorflow, Theano and others

Accelerates industry vetted deep learning algorithms, such as convolutions, LSTM RNNs, fully connected, and pooling layers

Fast deep learning training performance tuned for NVIDIA GPUs

Deep Learning Training Performance

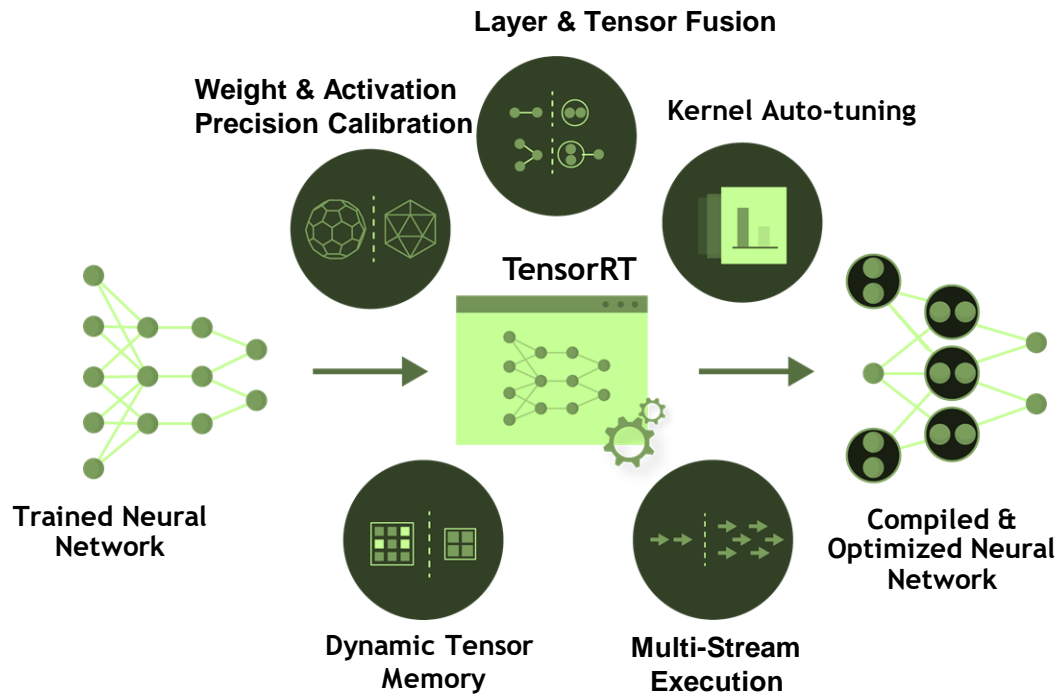


“ NVIDIA has improved the speed of cuDNN with each release while extending the interface to more operations and devices at the same time.”

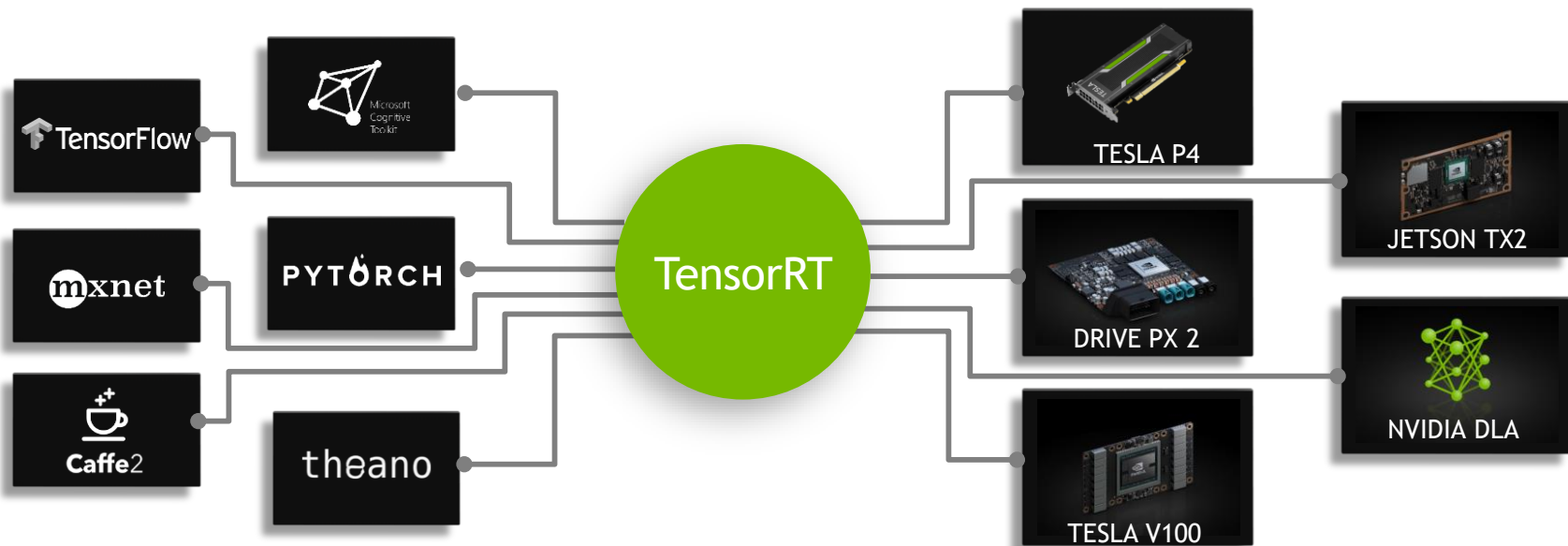
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Programmable Inference Accelerator

Compiler for Optimized Neural Networks
Weight & Activation Precision Calibration
Layer & Tensor Fusion
Kernel Auto-Tuning
Multi-Stream Execution

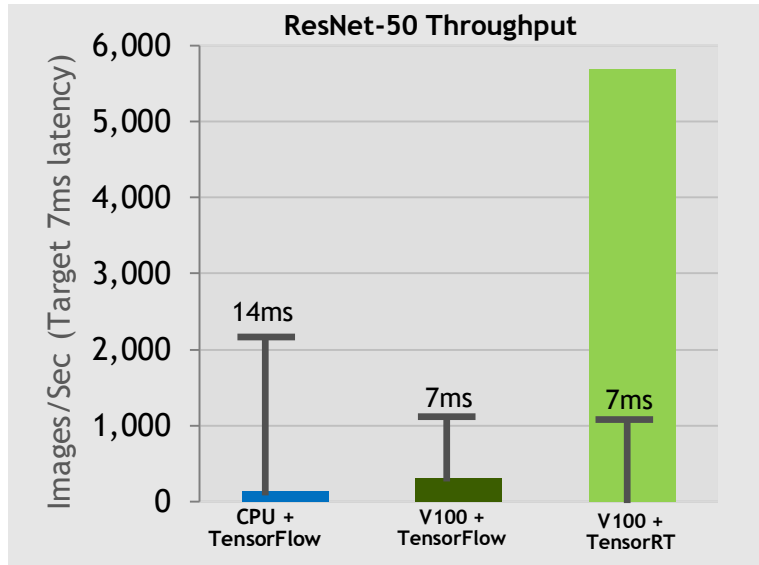


NVIDIA TENSORRT PROGRAMMABLE INFERENCE ACCELERATOR

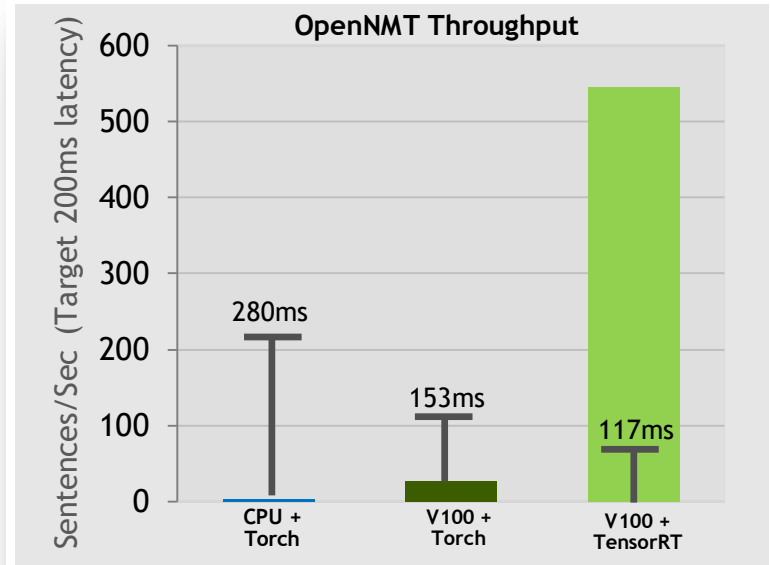


NVIDIA TENSORRT 3

World's Fastest Inference Platform



IMAGES



TRANSLATION

NVIDIA Collective Communications Library (NCCL)

Multi-GPU and multi-node collective communication primitives

High-performance multi-GPU and multi-node collective communication primitives optimized for NVIDIA GPUs

Fast routines for multi-GPU multi-node acceleration that maximizes inter-GPU bandwidth utilization

Easy to integrate and MPI compatible. Uses automatic topology detection to scale HPC and deep learning applications over PCIe and NVLink

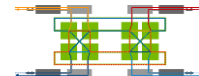
Accelerates leading deep learning frameworks such as Caffe2, Microsoft Cognitive Toolkit, MXNet, PyTorch and more



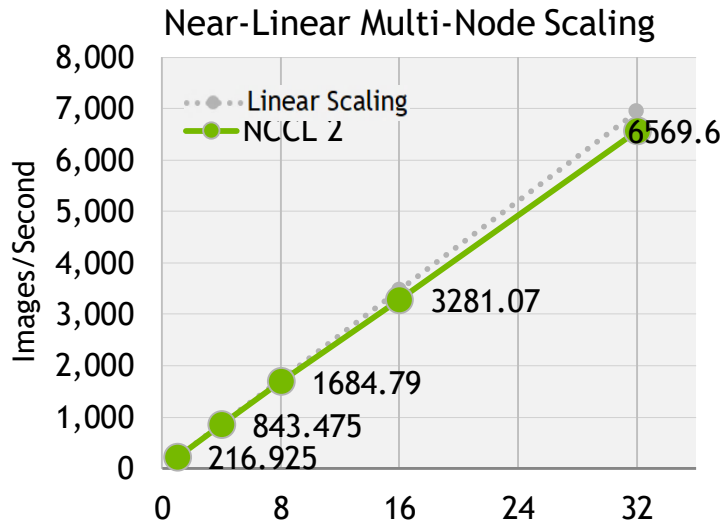
Multi-GPU:
NVLink, PCIe



Multi-Node:
InfiniBand
verbs,
IP Sockets



Automatic
Topology
Detection



NVIDIA DIGITS

Interactive Deep Learning GPU Training System

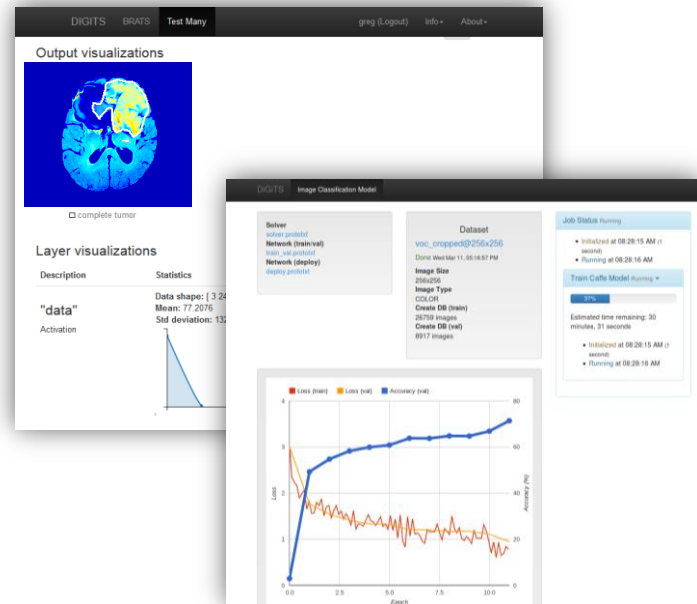
Interactive deep learning training application for engineers and data scientists

Simplify deep neural network training with an interactive interface to train and validate, and visualize results

Built-in workflows for image classification, object detection and image segmentation

Improve model accuracy with pre-trained models from the DIGITS Model Store

Faster time to solution with multi-GPU acceleration



DIGITS Demo



Takeaways



TAKEAWAYS

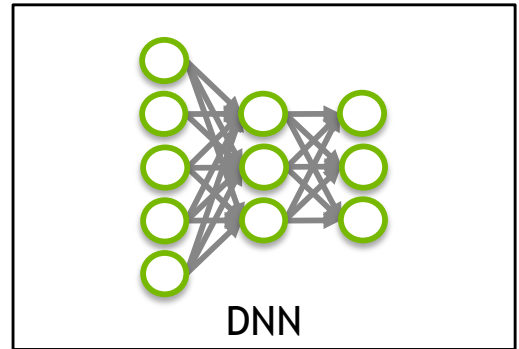
DL, GPUs and Big Data are combining to create the “**Big Bang**” in Artificial Intelligence

Deep Learning is solving problems that ML can't

NVIDIA provides both HW and SW building blocks to accelerate DL workflows: **“You choose the DL framework, we'll make it run fast”**

Tesla V100 for most HPC and AI/DL workflows

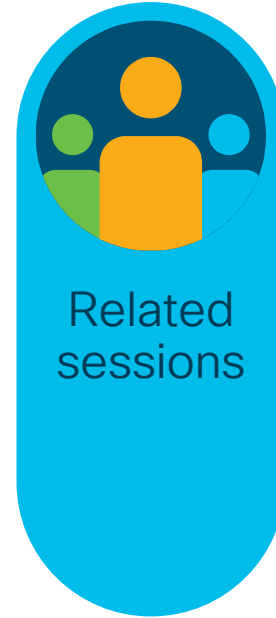
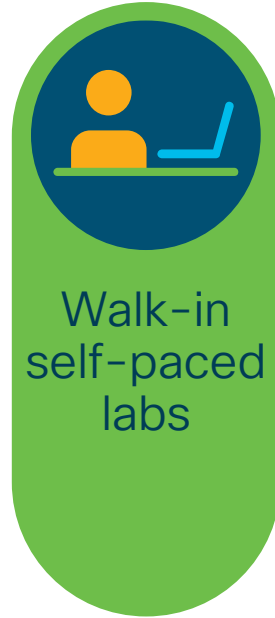
Tesla P4 for datacenter inferencing



Agenda

- Introduction
- Anatomy of Research Computing
- Demo and Hands-on Cluster Operations
- UCS as a Platform for Research Computing
- Hands-on Bonus: UCS Configuration with Ansible
- NVIDIA Deep Learning with GPUs
- **Conclusion**

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- BRKINI-2348 Demystify AI/ML with Cisco UCS
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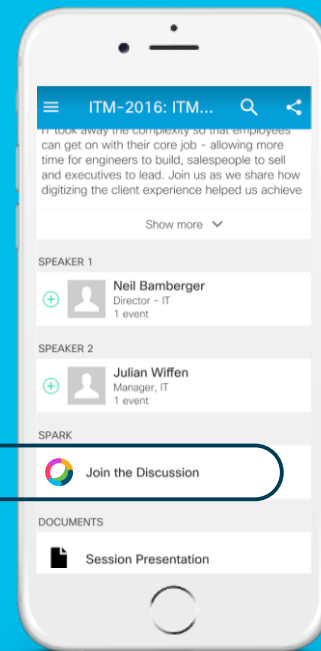
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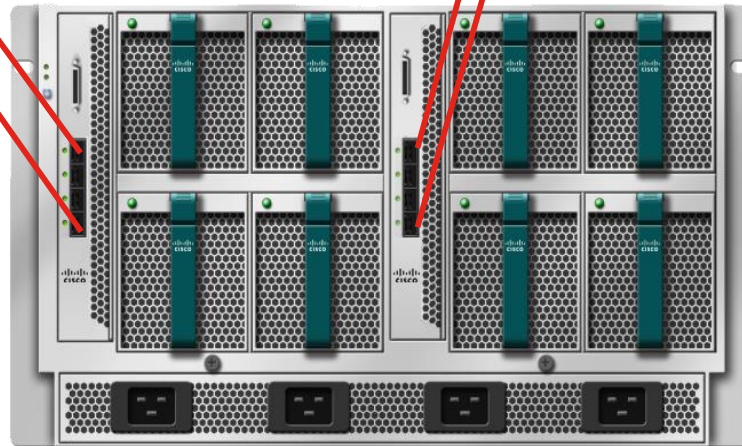
UCS Blade Server Architecture



Fabric A



Fabric B



Nvidia GPUs for Compute on Cisco UCS M5 server

With full UCS-Manager integration

	P100 (UCSC-GPU-P100-12G UCSC-GPU-P100-16G)	P40 (UCSC-GPU-P40)	P4 (UCSC-GPU-P4)
GPU	GP100	GP102	GP104
PEAK FP64 (TFLOPs)	4.7	NA	NA
PEAK FP32 (TFLOPs)	9.3	12	5.5
PEAK FP16 (TFLOPs)	18.7	NA	NA
PEAK TIOPs	NA	47	22
Memory Size	16/12 GB HBM2	24 GB GDDR5	8 GB GDDR5
Memory BW	732/549 GB/s	346 GB/s	192 GB/s
Interconnect	PCIe Gen3	PCIe Gen3	PCIe Gen3
ECC	Internal + HBM2	GDDR5	GDDR5
Form Factor	PCIE Dual Slot	PCIE Dual Slot	PCIE LP
Power	250 W	250 W	50-75 W