

# A Case of Migrating to an SDDC Based on Open Source

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# Software Defined Data Center

## What is Software Defined Data Center - SDDC

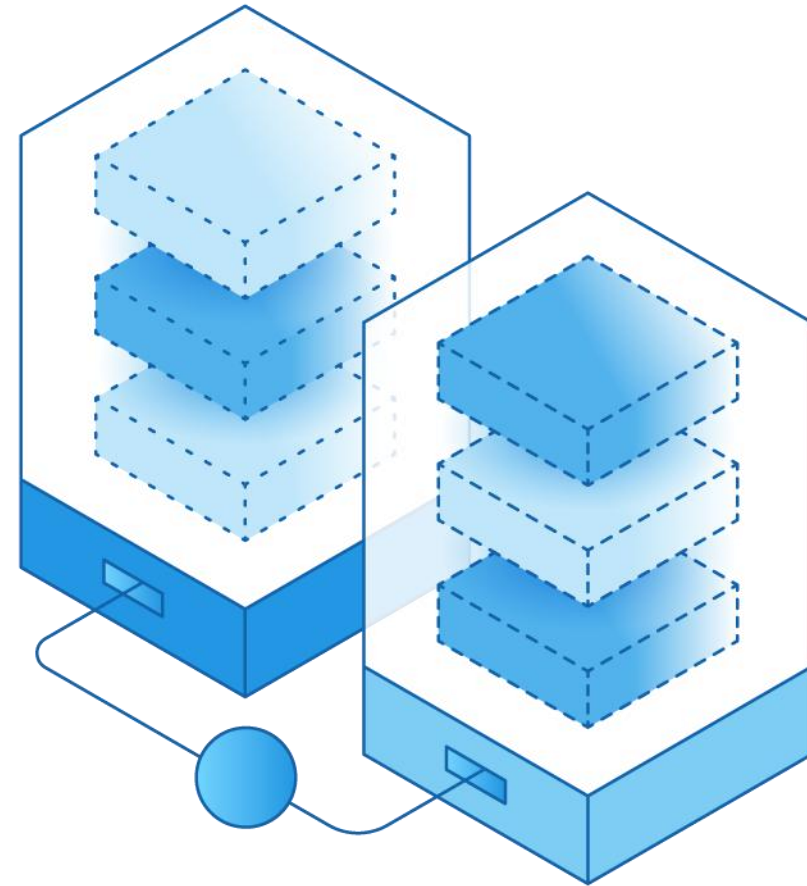
The term appeared for the first time in 2013 from the field of Virtualization.

Based on VMware's product VMware Infrastructure 3 (2006).  
Evolved with the platform VMware VSphere (2009).

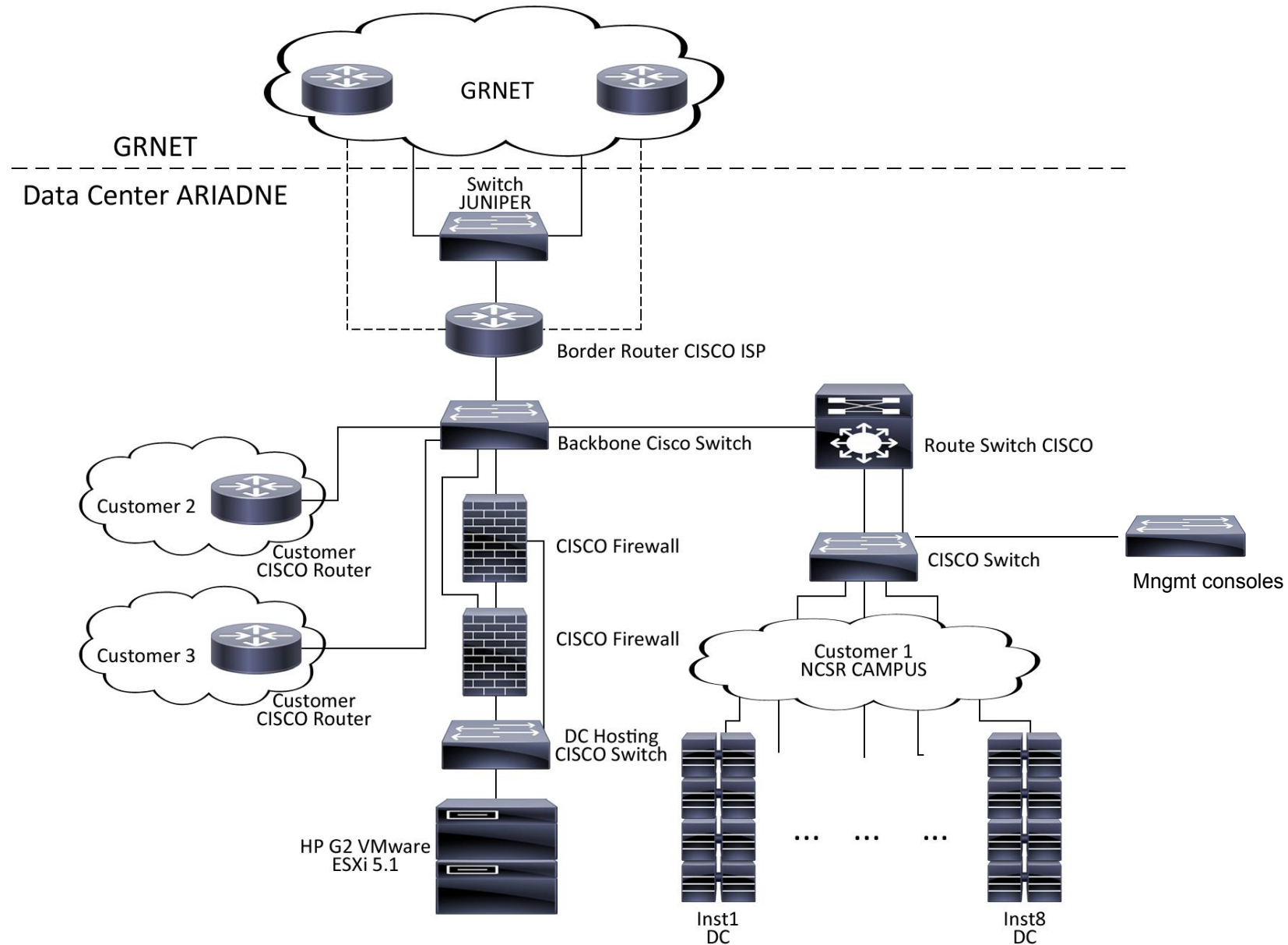
This software provides computing, storage and network resources in virtual form by using the corresponding physical resources of the classic Data Center.

In the SDDC term concepts such as Virtualization, SDN, SDS, management and automation are included.

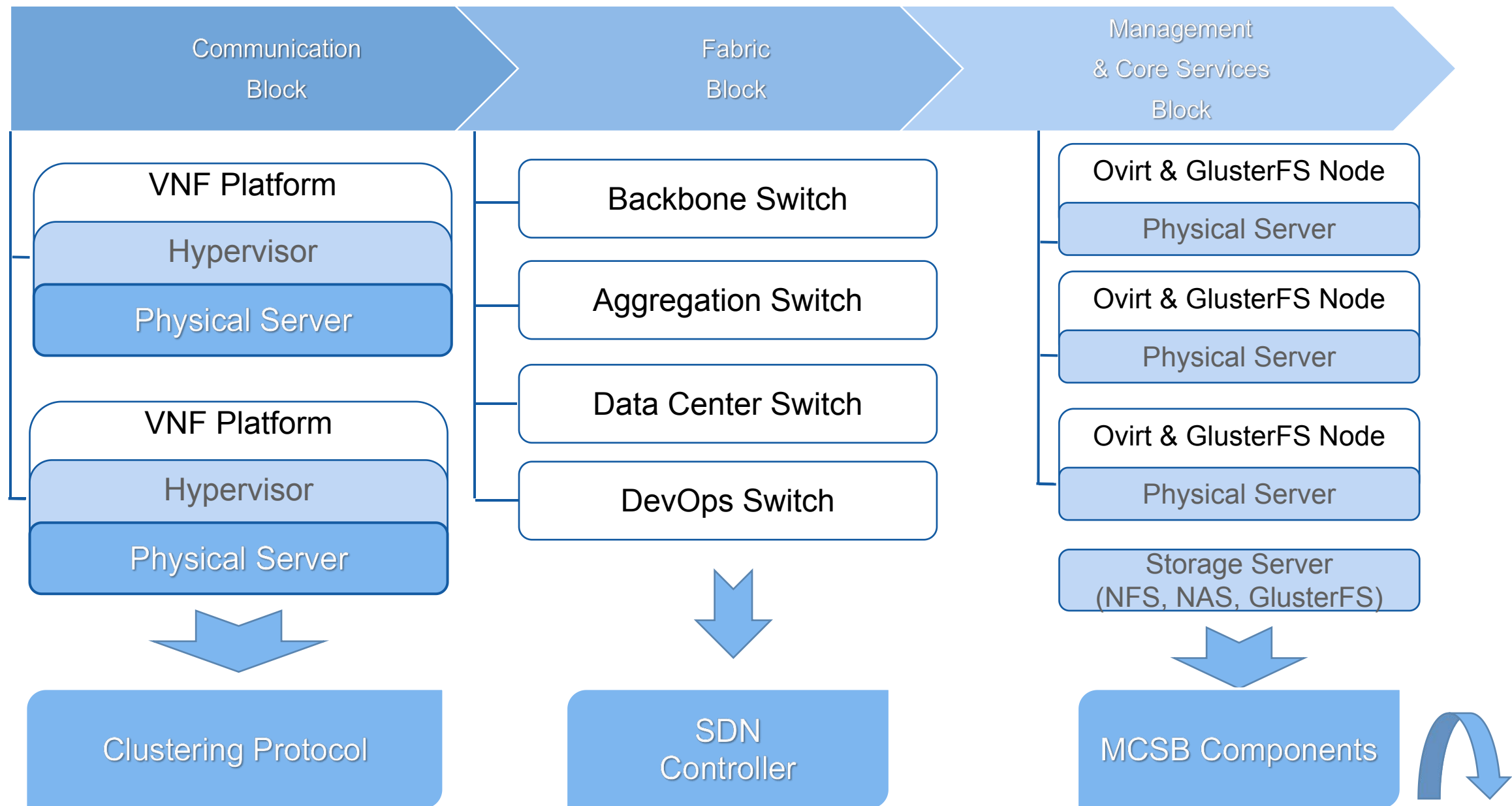
Essentially, it is an intermediate virtualization platform before the next stage which is the Cloud and depends on the scale of the platform (number of users of the platform, geographical coverage, multi-tenant).



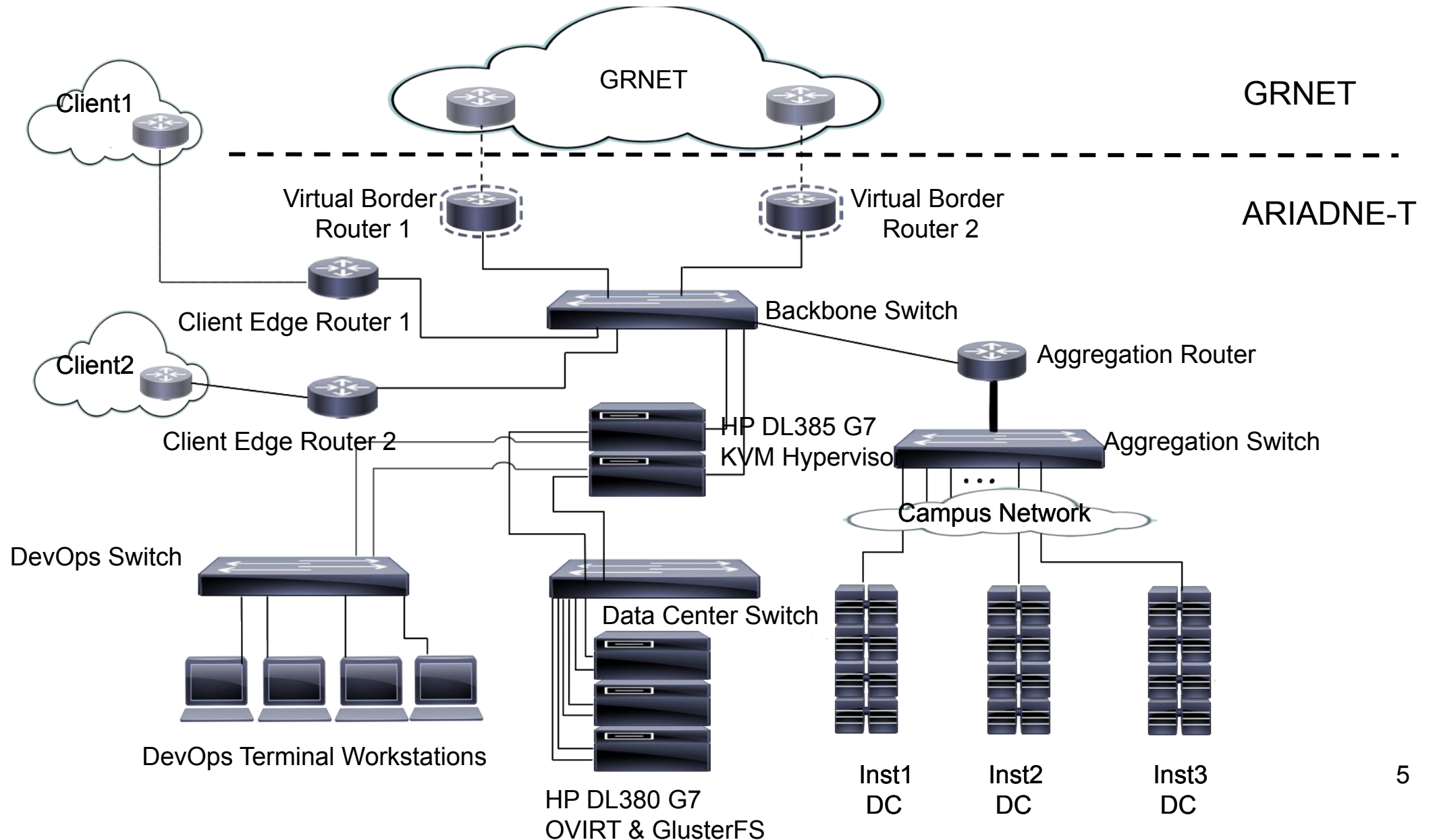
# Old SDDC Architecture



# Architecture of an SDPC

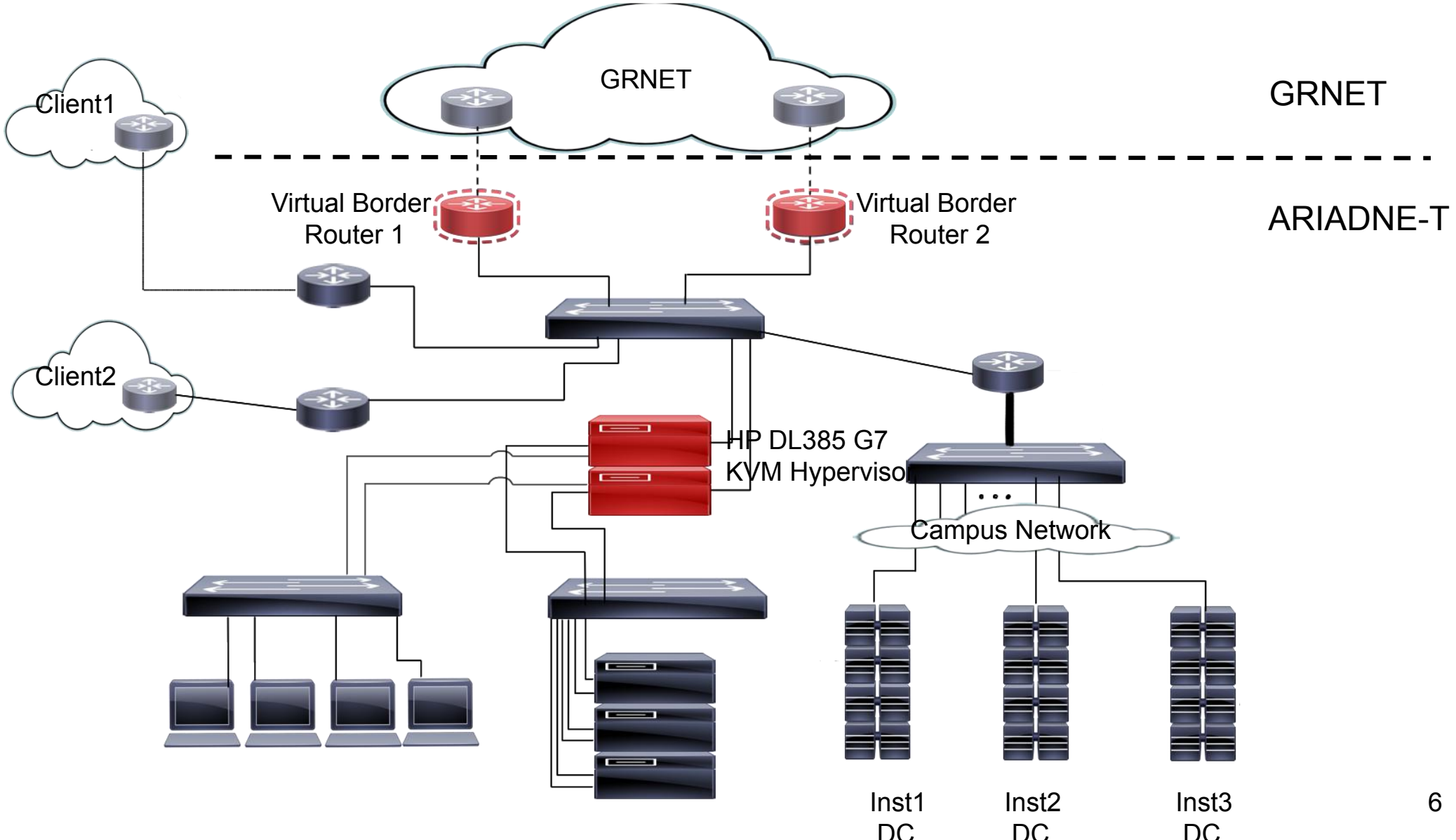


# New SDNC Architecture

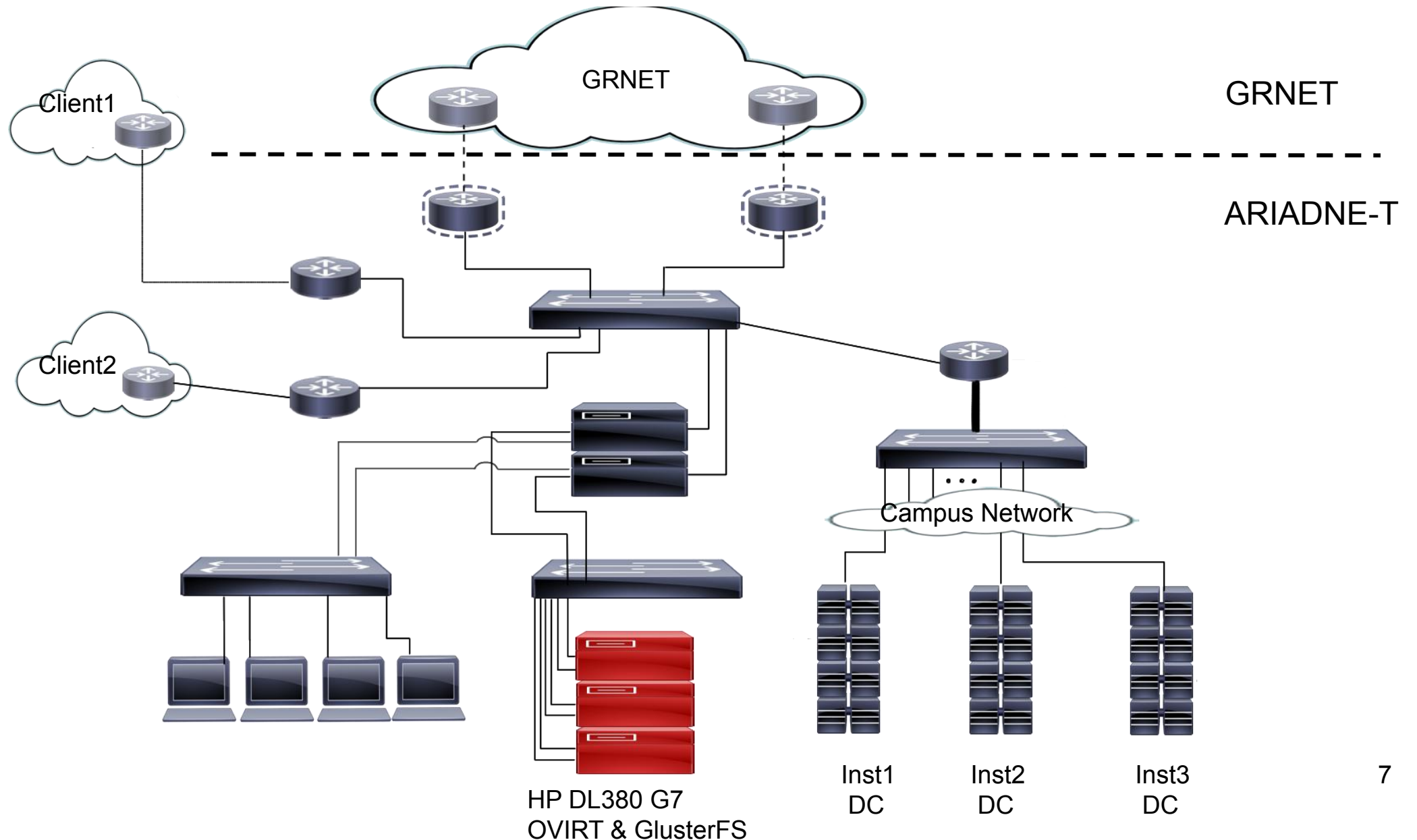




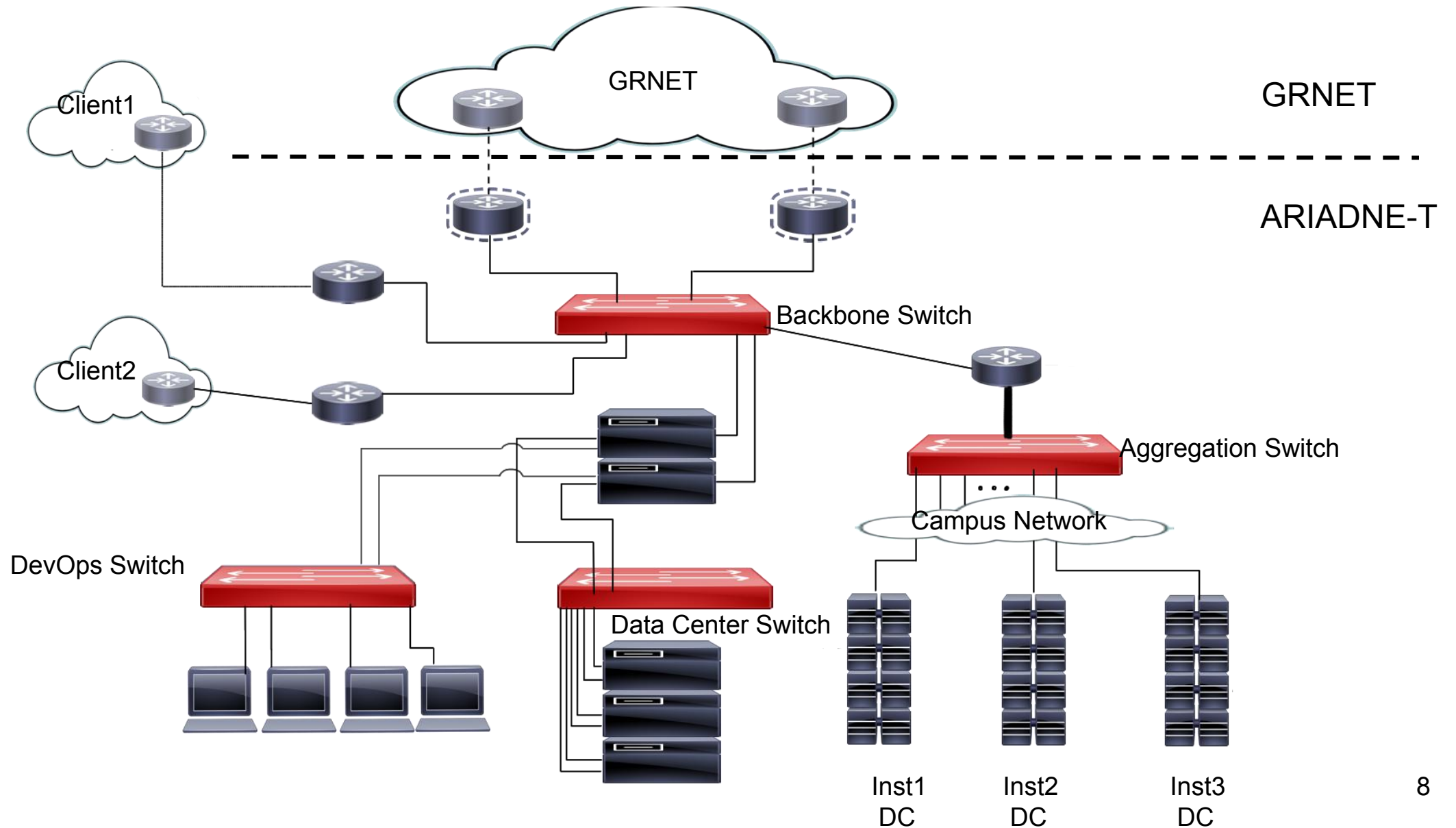
# New SDDC Architecture - Communications Block



# New SDDC Architecture - Management & Core Services Block

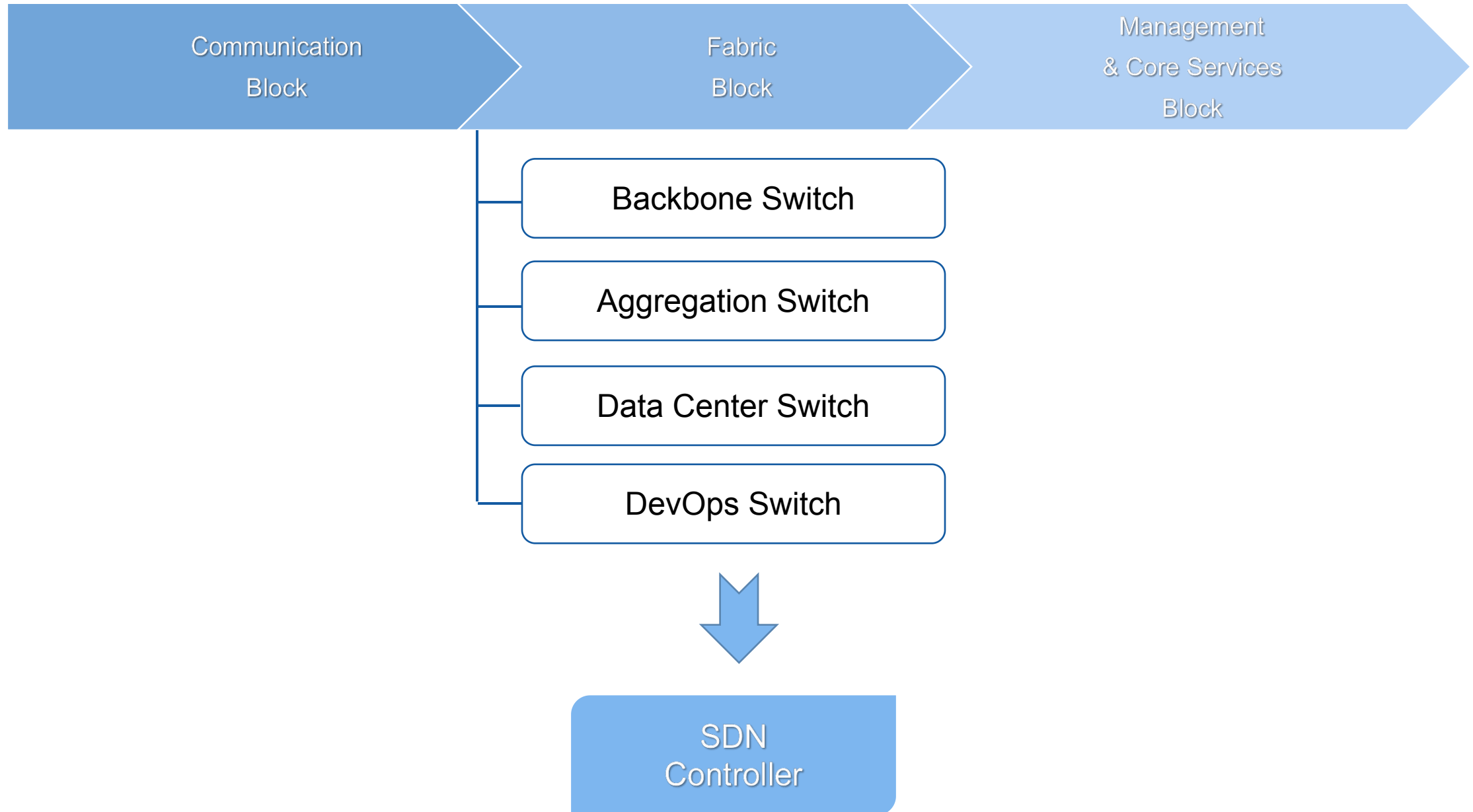


# New SDDC Architecture - Fabric Block

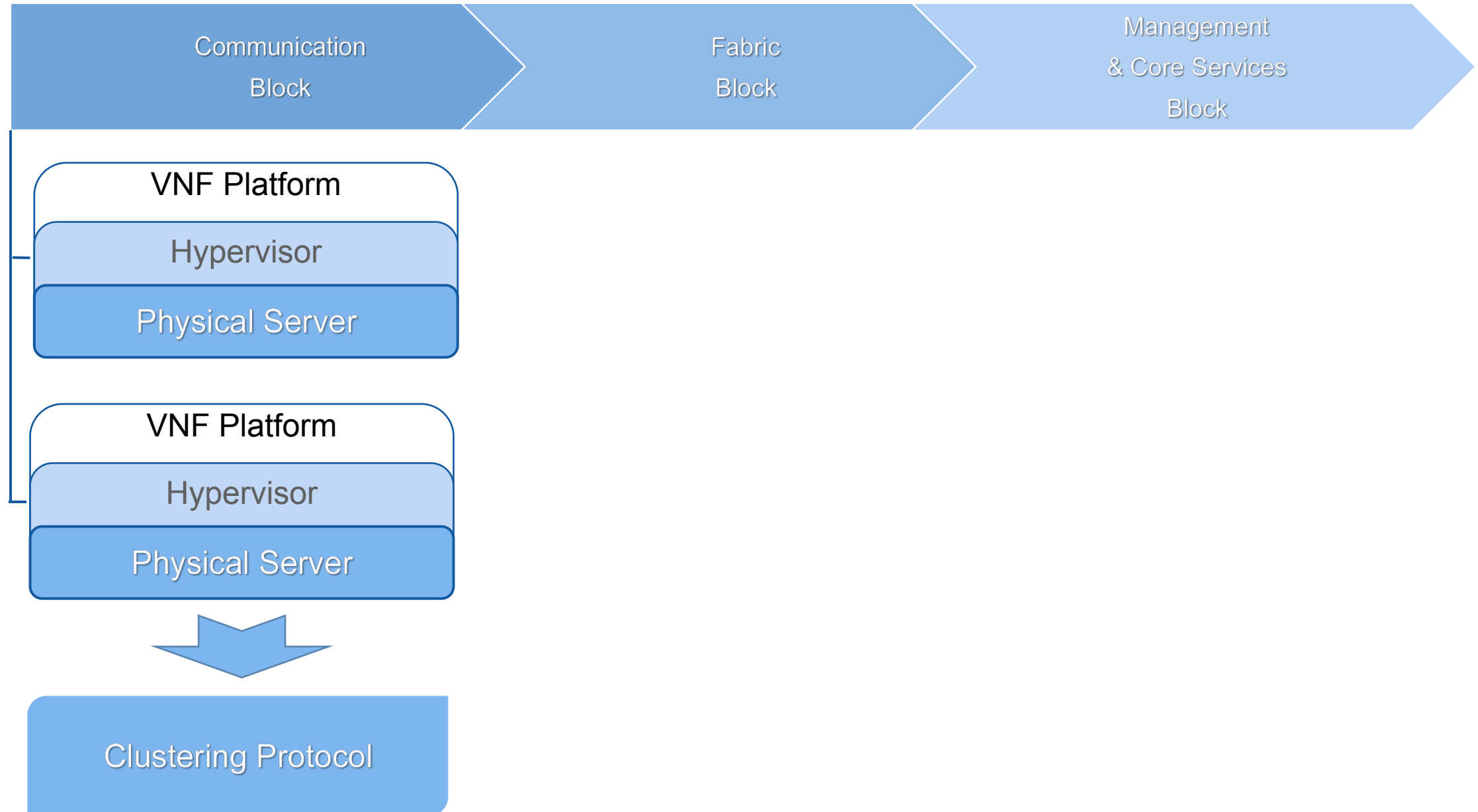




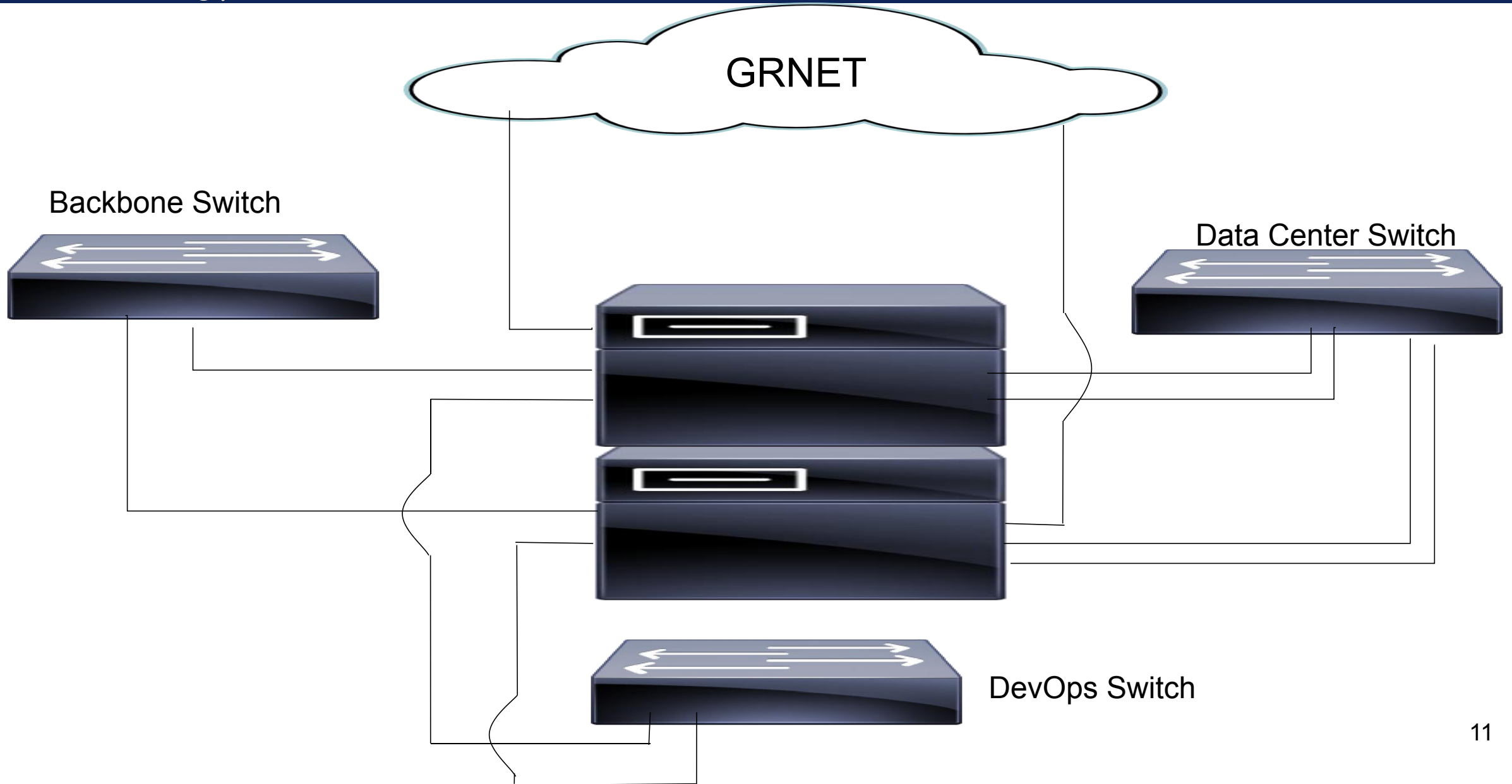
# Fabric block



# Communications Block



# KVM Hypervisor connections



# VNF Platform - VyOS



Open source router and  
firewall platform



Source Code

Rolling release

LTS Release v1.2.6



## PRODUCTS

### PRODUCTS



VyOS Platform



VyOS Router

### Use Cases



Edge IOT Gateway



Cloud Gateway



VPN Gateway



Enterprise Edge Router



ISP Border Router



BRAS

# Management & Core Services Block

Communication  
Block

Fabric  
Block

Management  
& Core Services  
Block

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Ovirt & GlusterFS Node

Physical Server

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Physical Server

Storage Server  
(NFS, NAS, GlusterFS)

MCSB Components

MCSB  
Components

Resilient DNS

Operations Support

Linux Host  
Management

Monitoring

Configuration  
Changes

Automation



GLUSTER



ANSIBLE



FOREMAN



OPENSIFT

origin



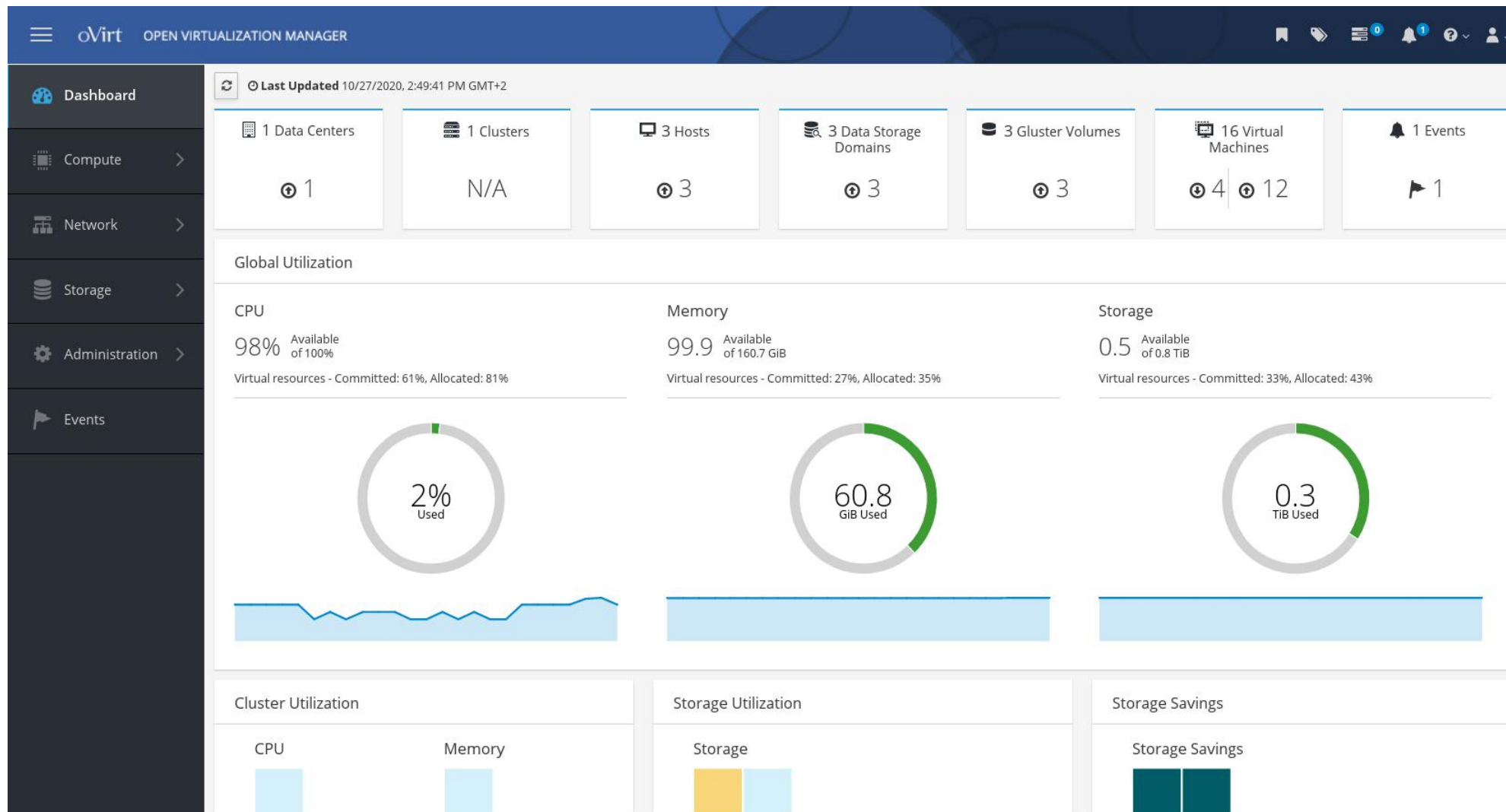
ManageIQ



CoreOS



- The basic component on which we built our SDDC.
- Hyperconverged solution → Combination of storage, compute, networking resources in a single environment. → Definition of multiple VDCs (Virtual Data Centers)
- A supported version is also provided by RedHat, namely Red Hat Enterprise Virtualization Solution - RHEV.
- May contain a large number of oVirt nodes.
- Automated creation of distributed GlusterFS storage via gdeploy.



# oVirt - Συμπεράσματα χρήσης

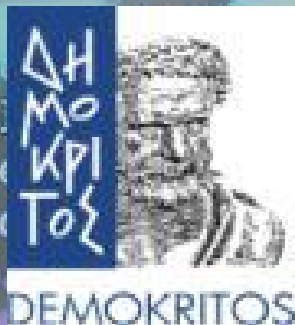
- Rapid evolution.
- Need for 2 deployments; experimental & production.
- Provides self healing processes for the recovery of GlusterFS storage (e.g. after maintenance).
- Active community that supports administrators who are interested in using, testing and /or developing the platform.

[ovirt.org](http://ovirt.org)

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# Τελικά Συμπεράσματα

- The **disaggregation of Software/Hardware** is very important.
- With the pandemic and the growing demand for teleworking, there seemed to be a problem with virtual routers, where they seemed unable to respond as many interrupts were created in the processor cores. Overall, the hardware seemed to be not responding. So we proceeded to 10G lines of bigger capacity, with relative ease since the routers were in open source VyOS and we were not locked by the hardware/software relationship.
- Server research and scientific teams that have a large industrial footprint.
- The total size that has been examined that this infrastructure serves satisfactorily concerns 1000-2000 people.
- Next stage → Dockerization



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