



Creating a Juniper Lab with EVE-NG - Part 3

ULTIMATE EVE-NG & JUNIPER 3-PART-SERIES

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FINAL Part



The road so far...

Session 1:

Fetches the EVE-NG OS (iso File) (Community and Pro)

Installed EVE-NG on a Bare Metal Server via bootable USB (5min)

Changed initial password (Web-UI) and Install-Wizard (CLI)

Session 2:

Fetches images

Uploaded images (nodes)

Created basic labs

Commit-feature

Traffic-Filters

Current State:

EVE-NG Server (Pro) with Juniper images:

vSRX, vMX, vQFX, vJunOS-Switch

Our Goal

- ▶ Look at Clustering / Load Sharing
- ▶ Check mixed Environments (Bare, VM, Cloud)
- ▶ Talk about Pro Features for Troubleshooting / Testing (Link-Loss, Latency)
- ▶ Create a custom Template
- ▶ Look at HUGE Labs and how to deal with them

Clustering / Load Sharing

- ▶ Clustering allows for scaling / load sharing
- ▶ Mix and match what's best for your Devices (Bare, VM, Cloud)
- ▶ Number of CPU-Cores, HDD-Speed - choose what type of load you have
vQFX hungry for CPU, JunOS Space Hungry for EVERYTHING, JSA Hungry for Disks
- ▶ Add more satellites if needed

What do I need?

- ▶ Valid Pro License (Clusters are Pro only)
- ▶ Network Ports opened between the master and the satellites

15.2.1 Firewall rules between Master and Satellite nodes

Node	Protocol	Port	Direction	Source	Destination
MASTER	TCP	22	ingress and egress	MASTER node IP	SATELLITE nodes IPs
MASTER	UDP	all	ingress and egress	MASTER node IP	SATELLITE nodes IPs
SATELLITE	TCP	22	ingress and egress	SATELLITE node IP	MASTER Node IP
SATELLITE	UDP	all	ingress and egress	SATELLITE node IP	MASTER Node IP



How to install it?

- Use the iso from eve-ng.net

- Satellite == Agent

- EVE-Cookbook

- Follow every step!



ubuntu®

Install Eve PRO VM
Install Eve PRO Bare
Install Eve PRO Bare (HWE)
Install Eve Agent
Rescue a broken system

Adding a Satellite

Cluster Management here you can manage EVE-NG Cluster

Cluster members

Id	Name	CPUs	CPU Usage (%)
0	master	32	

Add New Cluster Member

Member's Name*

IP address

Member's Root Password*

+Add member

Disk Size (GB)	Disk usage	Action
3844	57	

Startup configuration

None

Delay (s)

0

Satellite

master

- master
- any

Console

Mixed Environments

- ▶ Ubuntu (EVE) installed on BMS (**MOST PERFORMANT**)



- ▶ ESXi installed on BMS and EVE as VM inside ESXi

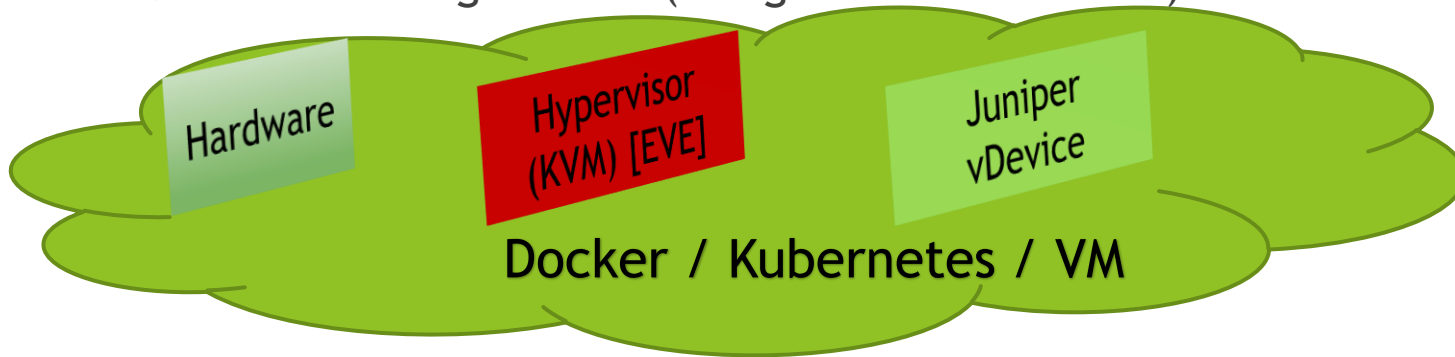


- ▶ Windows Client running VMwareWorkstation, running EVE (EVEception)



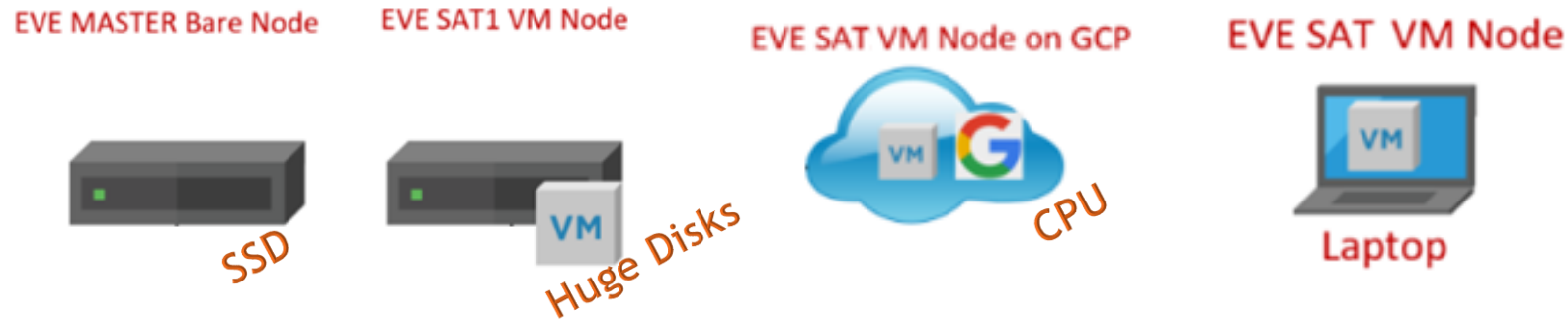
Mixed Environments

- ▶ EVE running on GCP (Google Cloud Platform)



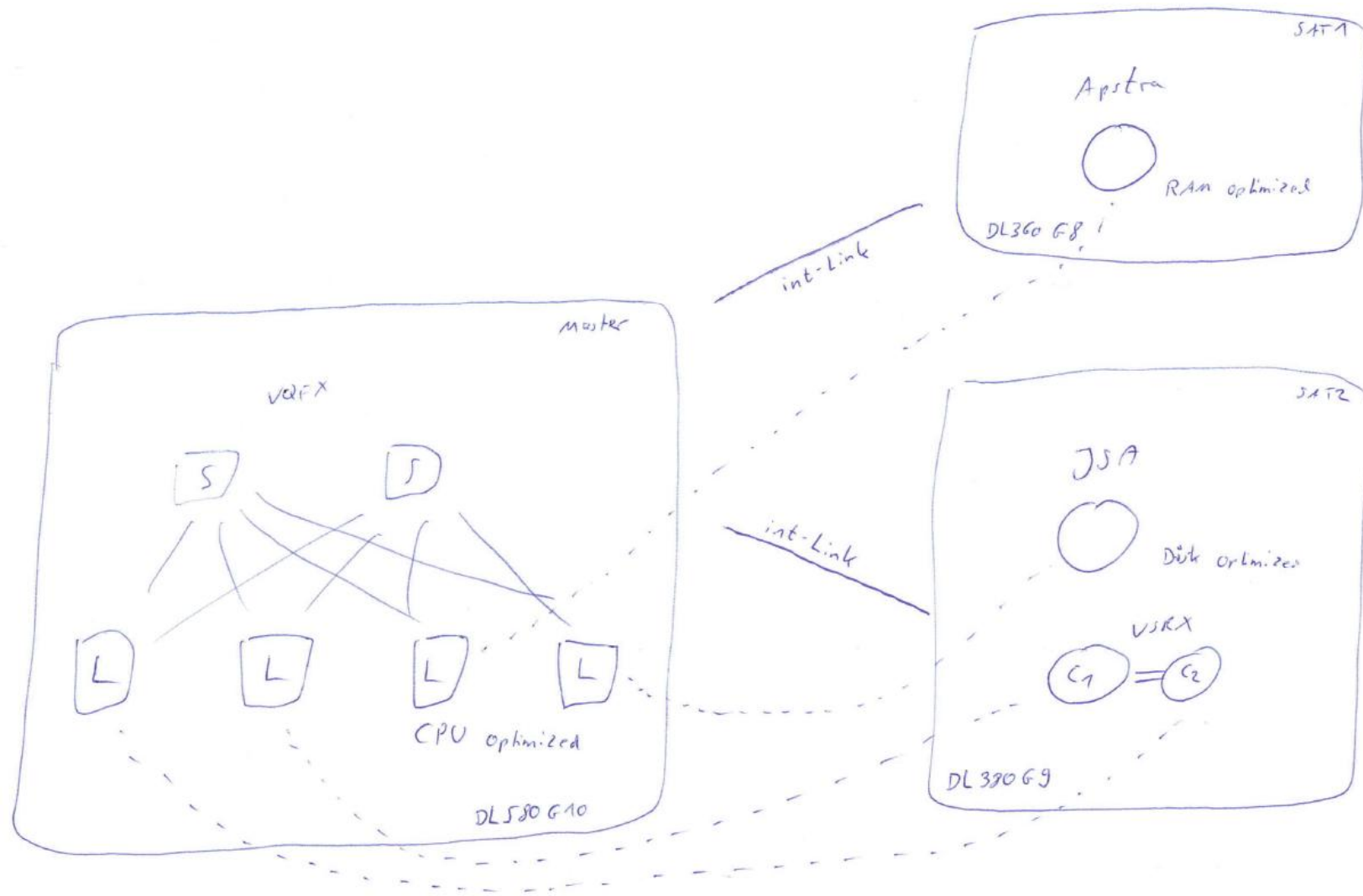
Flavors?

- ▶ EVE Hybrid (run multiple flavors of eve in a cluster)

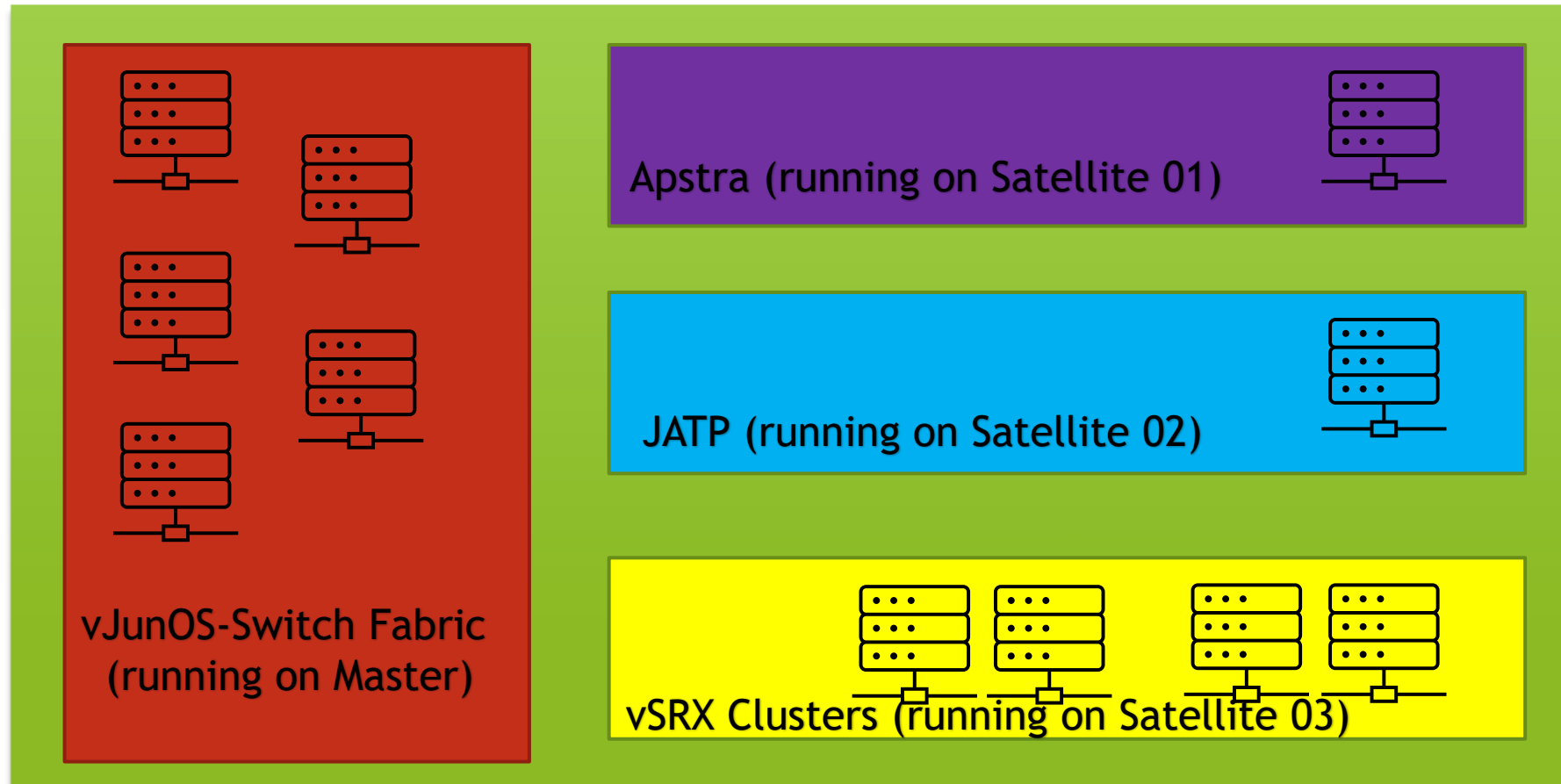


- ▶ Allows for easy scaling the Lab (need more resources? Throw more servers in)
- ▶ Allows part of your huge nodes to run on different servers (Space, Apstra, JATP)

Load Sharing - Optimizing the Servers

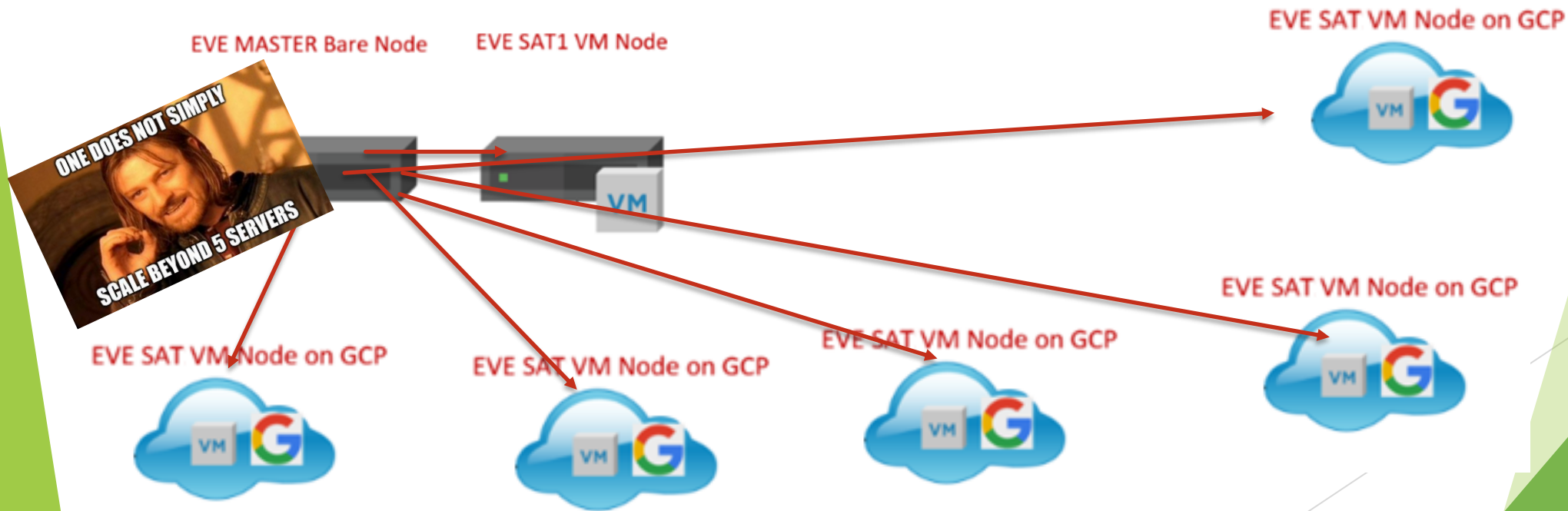


Load Sharing - Optimizing the Servers



How many nodes / satellites?

- ▶ Should not go above 5 satellites - master should have „spare resources“
→ Master talks to all satellites for traffic, statistics and such



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- ▶ Talk about Pro Features (Link-Loss, Latency, integrated Wireshark)
- ▶ Create a custom Template (vSRX 3.0, Apstra)
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Pro Features - great for everyday usage

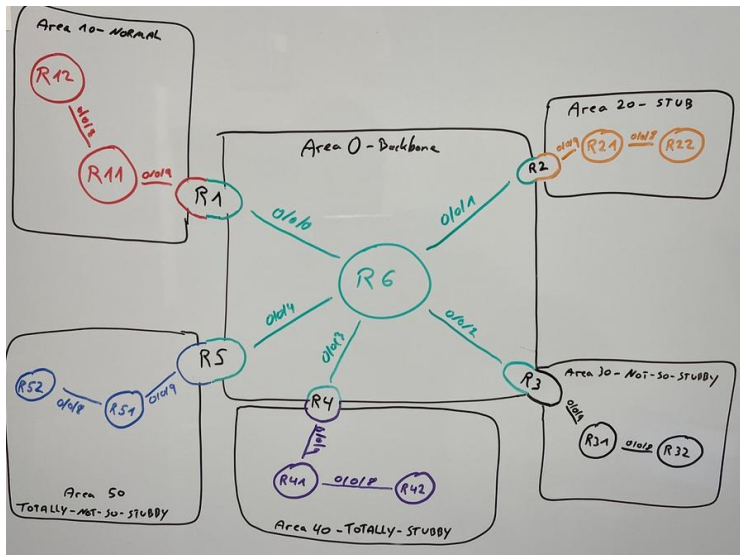
- ▶ Hot-Link-Add
- ▶ Upload PDF Files
- ▶ Packetloss / Jitter / Delay

Link Quality: VMX-VFP29 - VMX-VFP28

Interface	Delay (ms)	Jitter (ms)	Loss (%)	Rate(kbps)	Interface	Delay (ms)	Jitter (ms)	Loss (%)	Rate(kbps)
ge-0/0/8	0	0	0	0	ge-0/0/8	0	0	0	0

Apply Save Close

- ▶ Logical Maps



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Custom Template



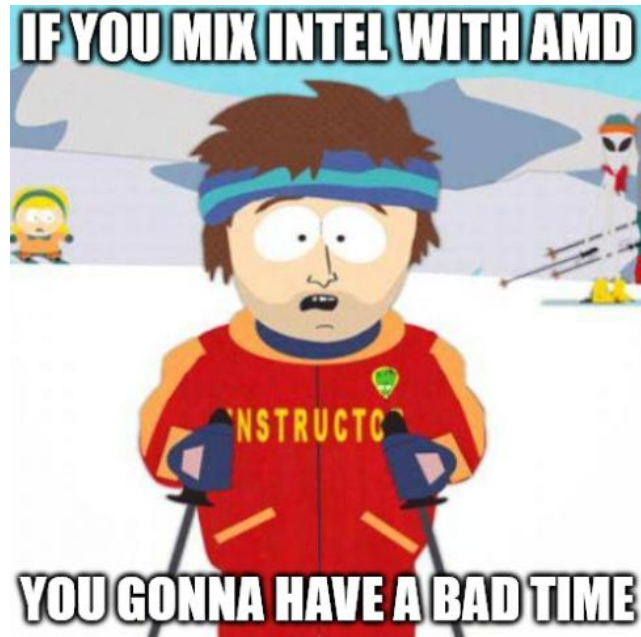
Custom Template

- ▶ Modify with sanity and care! Don't go „too low“ on Resources
Weird side effects - not supported - hassle, oh the hassle...
Always follow the Docs!
- ▶ You can copy templates to create a „new“ Device
- ▶ For JunOS Space PolicyEnforcer, JSA, Apstra, JATP: Start with Linux Template
- ▶ Creating a template alone is not enough!
also modify the yml for the custom templates!



Custom Template

- ▶ `/opt/unetlab/html/templates/intel/` (for Intel CPUs)
- ▶ `/opt/unetlab/html/templates/amd/` (for AMD CPUs)

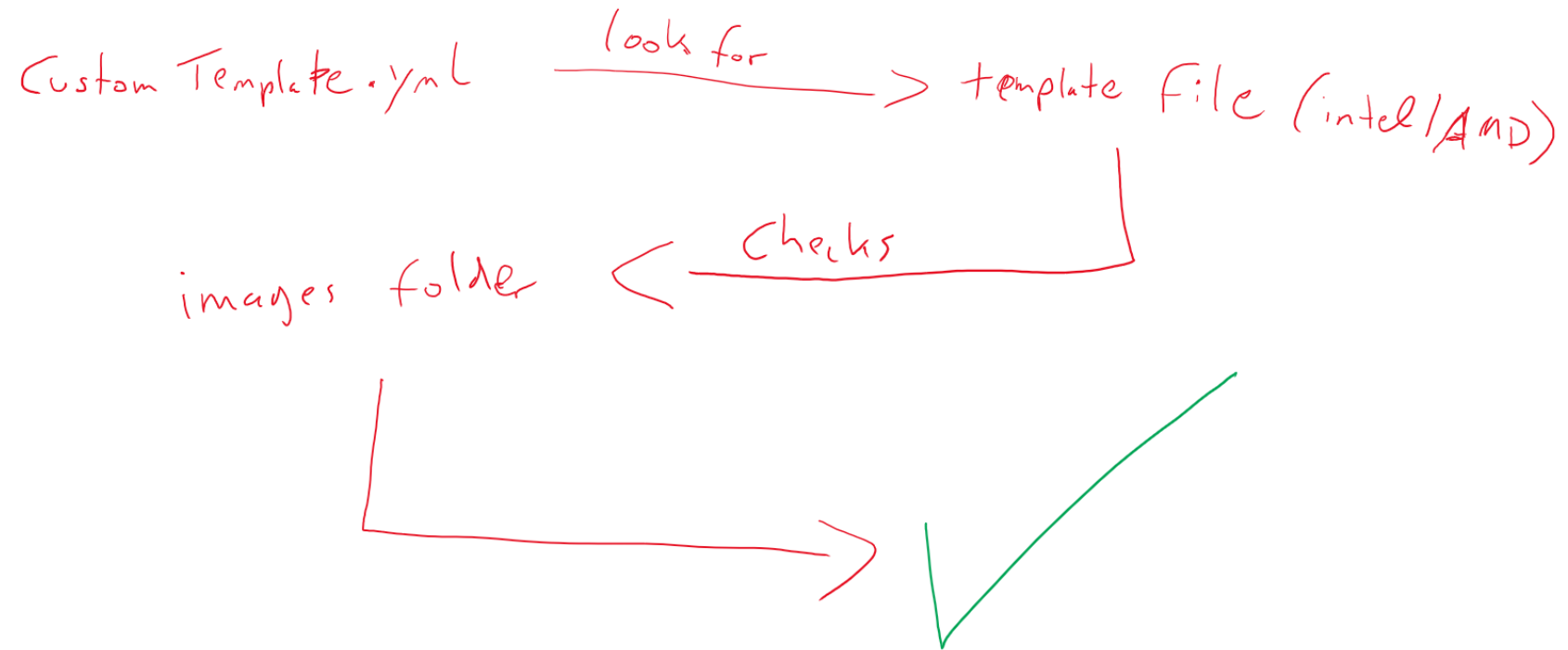


Custom Template - Paths

- ▶ /opt/unetlab/html/includes/custom_templates.yml → your config file

```
root@eve-ng:/opt/unetlab/html/includes# vim custom_templates.yml
--
custom_templates:
- name: JATP
  listname: 'EVE-BETA :: Juniper JATP Appliance (SkyATP on Premise)'
- name: PACKETFENCE
  listname: 'EVE-BETA :: PacketFence OpenSource NAC'
- name: CSRX
  listname: 'EVE-BETA :: Juniper cSRX'
- name: vsrx30
  listname: 'EVE-BETA :: Juniper vSRX3.0'
- name: jspacecollector
  listname: 'EVE-BETA :: JunOS Space Log Collector'
- name: riverbedSCM
  listname: 'EVE-BETA :: Riverbed SteelConnect Manager (on Premise)'
- name: riverbedSC
  listname: 'EVE-BETA :: Riverbed SteelConnect VM'
- name: ucopia
  listname: 'EVE-BETA :: Ucopia'
...
```

Custom Template - Checks



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How to handle HUGE Labs

► Delay Start

Startup configuration

None ▼

Delay (s)

0

Console

Satellite

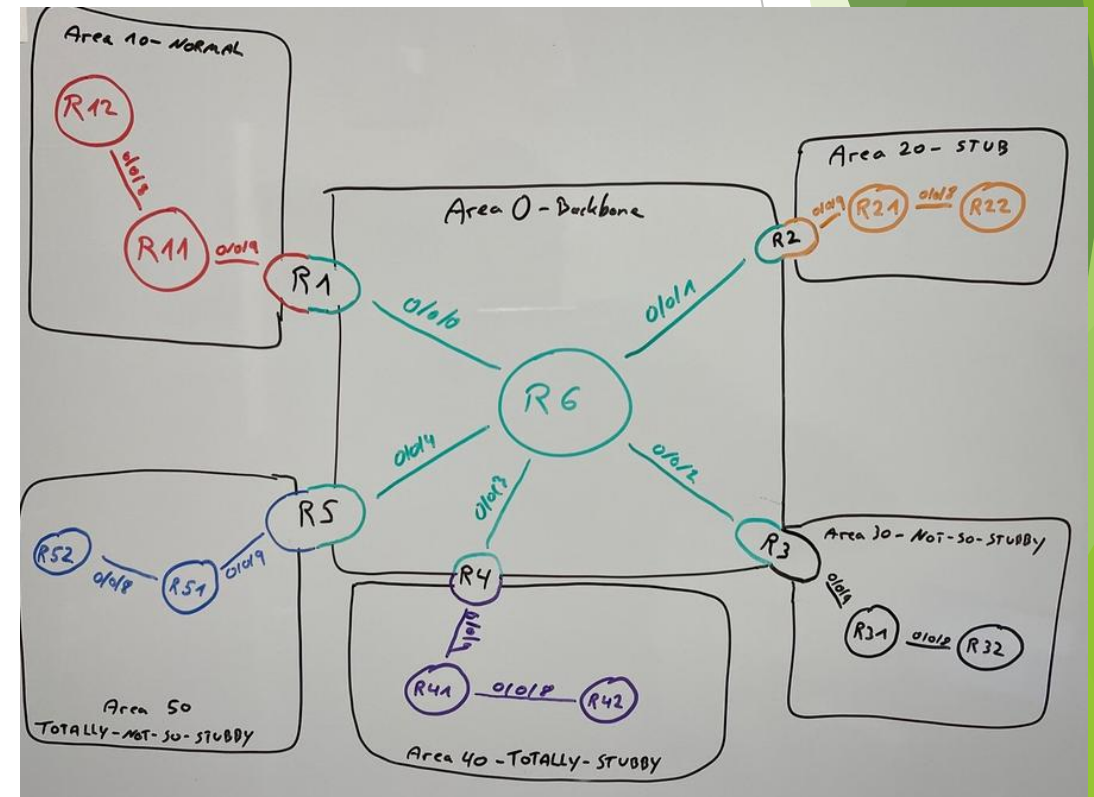
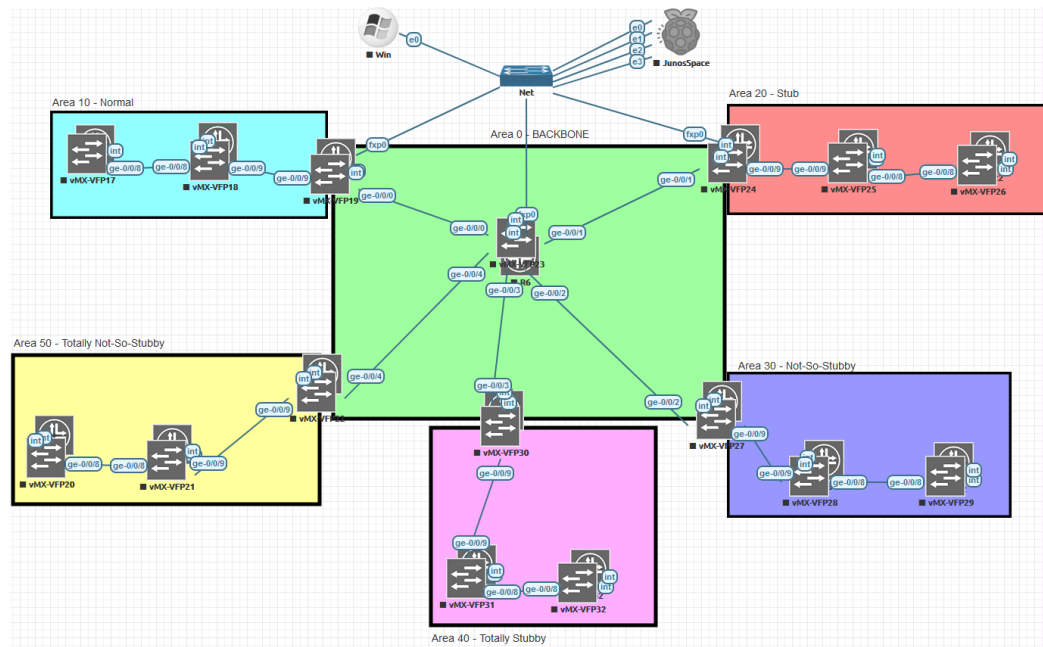
master ▼

- master
- any

► Use Logical Maps

How to handle HUGE Labs

► Use Logical Maps



What to do in case something goes wrong?



Pitfall: not enough resources (CPU / RAM)

- ▶ Symptom:
 - ▶ Multiple unexplainable errors / strange behavior in multiple ways
- ▶ Cause:
 - ▶ Device has not enough CPU / RAM to perform basic tasks
- ▶ Solution:
 - ▶ NEVER go below the recommendation from the template

Pitfall: booting up everything at once

- ▶ Symptom:
- ▶ Lab takes literally forever to start
- ▶ Cause:
- ▶ Device takes WAY more resources during bootup and CPU is overwhelmed
- ▶ Solution:
- ▶ Use the „delay“-option to start the devices one after another



Startup configuration

None ▼

Satellite

master ▼

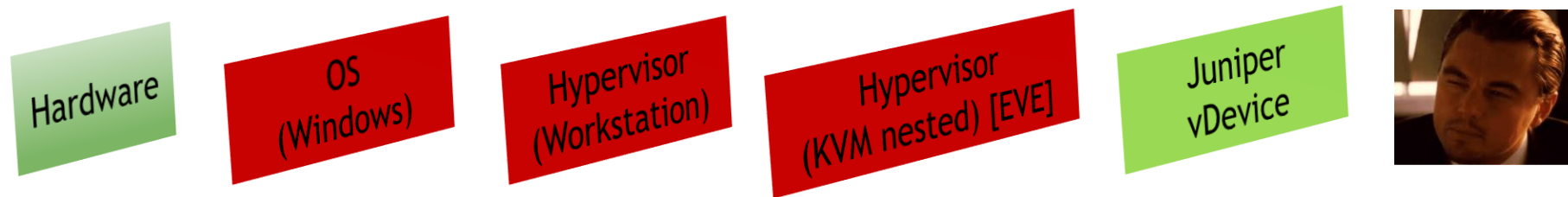
Delay (s)

0

Pitfall: eve-ception

- ▶ Symptom:
- ▶ Running EVE-NG on your Laptop in vmware Workstation and starting a lab is not working

- ▶ Cause:



- ▶ Solution:
- ▶ Don't use EVE-NG on your Laptop
Use a proper Server (Vmware, Cloud or Bare-Metal)
and access it via your Webbrowser
Usually cheap to fetch on eBay

MIST-Edge

- ▶ This service lets you make a seamless transition, moving from an existing centralized data plane with legacy controller architectures to the modern Juniper Mist microservices cloud, without affecting network design.
- ▶ For large campus networks, Edge provides seamless roaming through on-premises tunnel termination of traffic to and from access points.
- ▶ Juniper Mist Edge supports an elastically scalable cluster (with options for backup clusters) composed of an unlimited number of nodes within a cluster.
- ▶ <https://www.juniper.net/us/en/products/access-points/edge.html>

MIST-Edge

- ▶ Hardware-Appliance or VM
- ▶ Subscription needed
(1 per AP tunneling Traffic)
- ▶ Easy to deploy



MIST-Edge

► Requirements

| Hardware Specifications for a Mist Edge Virtual Machine

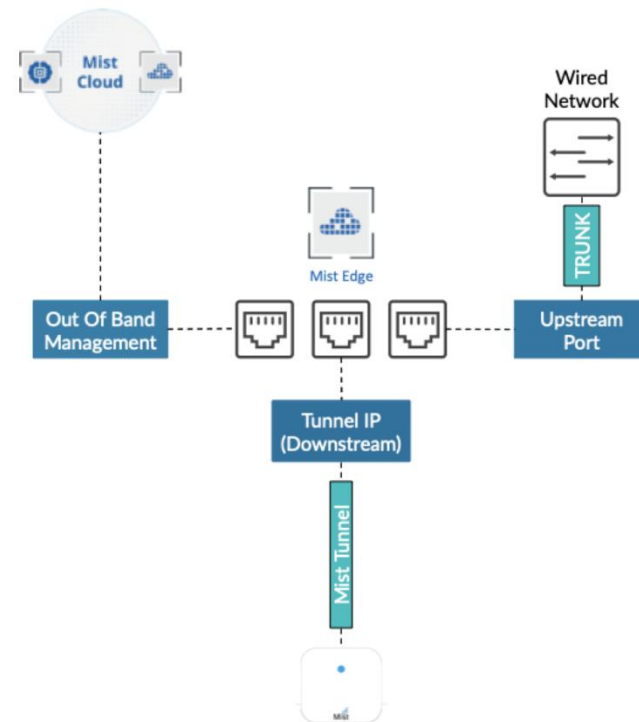
The following are the minimum hardware requirements to implement a Mist Edge VM.

Table 1: Hardware Specifications for a Mist Edge VM

Hardware Component	Quantity or Capacity
CPU	4 vCPUs
RAM	32 GB
Hard disk	100 GB (thick provisioned)
NIC	Three virtual NICs

MIST-Edge

- ▶ Create a new Edge-VM in MIST and configure it (including WLAN's to MIST-Tunnel mapping)!!!
- ▶ Download the iso for MIST-Edge (select VM and download the iso)
- ▶ Upload the iso into EVE-NG
- ▶ Create a new Linux-based-Template for MIST-Edge with iso mapped as cdrom-file
<https://www.eve-ng.net/index.php/documentation/howtos/howto-create-own-linux-host-image/>
- ▶ Deploy one or more Edge-VM's in EVE-NG
- ▶ Assign Interfaces
- ▶ Start labbing 😊



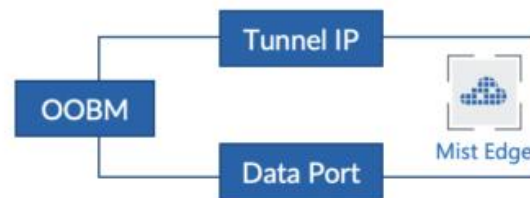
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- ▶ 3 Interfaces: Upstream (Tunnel), Downstream (Switch), OOB
- ▶ **Note:** Tunnel IP SVI on Mist Edge is a protected interface, so even if it is not connected to a firewall, it is only open for ports UDP: 1701 (L2TPv3), 500 and 4500 (IPsec) and TCP port 2083 for RADSEC.

The Out-of-Band-Management (OOBM)

Interface communicates with the Mist cloud and is there to configure, send stats and check status of Mist Edge, Mist Edge Cluster and AP Tunnels.

Interface expects a DHCP IP address by default and can be configured with static IP address



Tunnel IP is the interface where AP communicates with to setup the L2TPv3 Tunnel between AP and Mist Edge. This IP needs to be configured from Tunnel IP section on Mist UI. If there is a firewall between AP management subnet and Mist Edge Tunnel IP, traffic destined to Tunnel IP on port 1701 needs to be allowed.

Data Port is connected to a trunk port that has all the VLANs configured where the WLAN need to be mapped to

MIST-Edge

- ▶ Use the Linux-Template for Mist-Edge
- ▶ Official Template will follow soon
- ▶ `/opt/qemu/bin/qemu-img create -f qcow2 hda.qcow2 100G`
- ▶ **DO NOT USE VIRTIOA.QCOW2!** The Installer will FAIL!

Edit node

Template

Linux

ID

1

Node instance path

/opt/unetlab/tmp/0/35f7dc0c-549e-4525-85fa-091d7f71e191/1

Image

linux-mistedge-deb11

Name/prefix

MistEdge

Icon

Switch-2D-L2-Generic-S.svg

UUID

103233e4-281c-4bb7-97ee-6146c0e72cec

CPU Limit

☐

CPU

4

RAM (MB)

32768

Ethernets

3

First Eth MAC Address

50:00:00:01:00:00

QEMU Version

6.0.0

QEMU Arch

x86_64

QEMU Nic

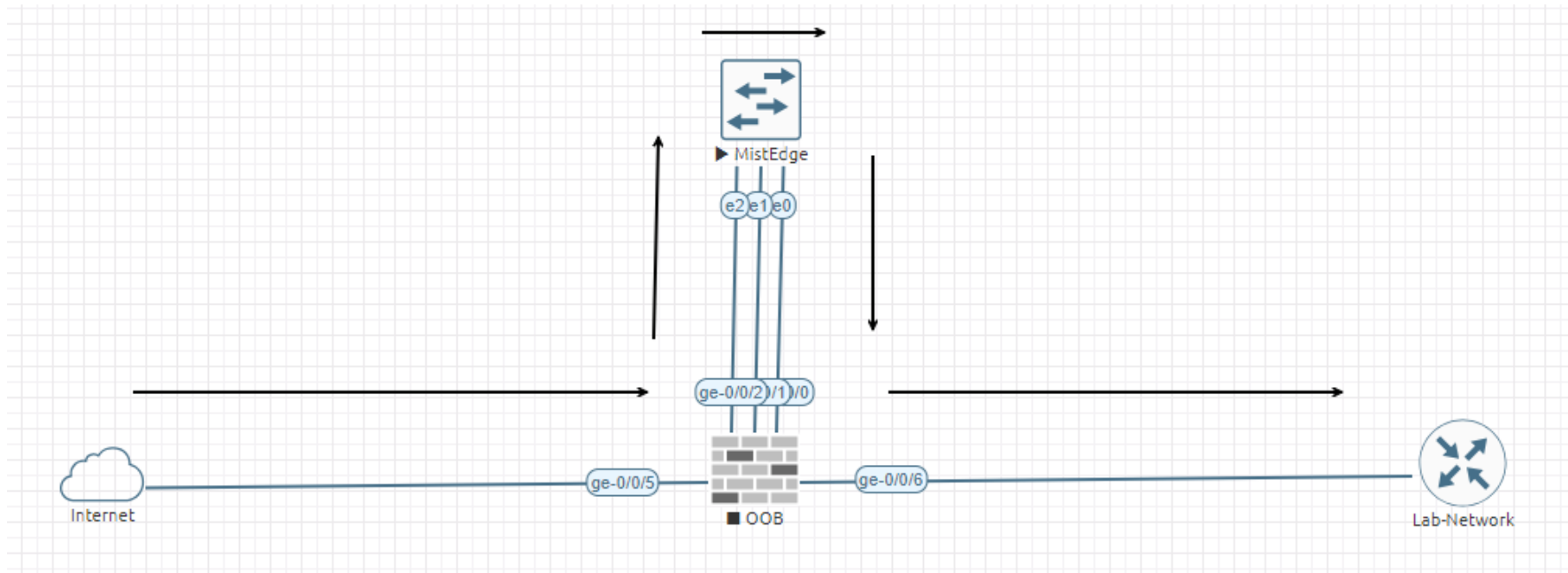
virtio-net-pci

QEMU custom options

-machine type=pc,accel=kvm -vga std -usbdevice tablet -boot order=cd -cpu host

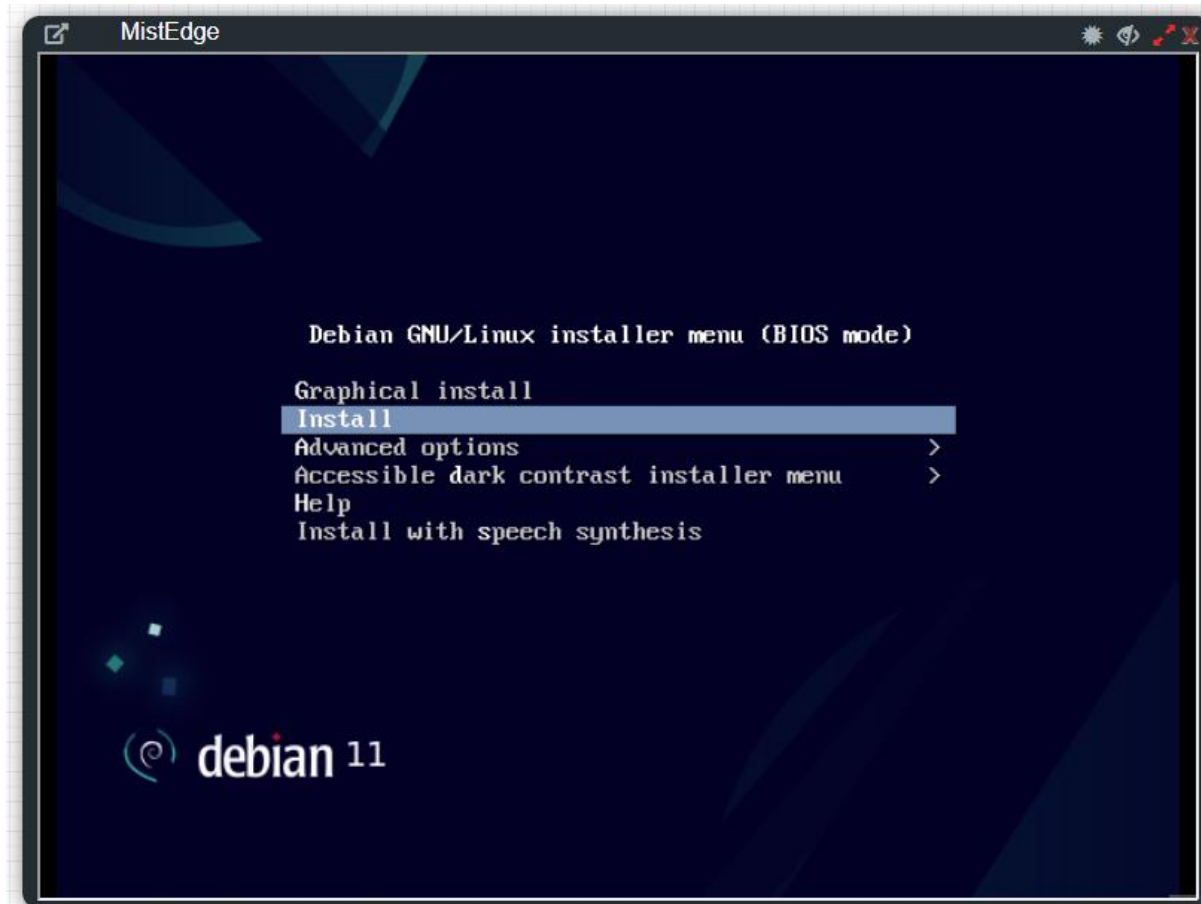
MIST-Edge

- ▶ Create a Topology utilizing all 3 Interfaces
- ▶ This can be 3 separate links to 3 separate devices
- ▶ Or it can be 3 Links towards a central firewall in your lab-environment



MIST-Edge

- ▶ Install MIST-Edge by selecting „Install“ (NOT Graphical install)!
- ▶ OOB-Interface grabs a DHCP-Address by default



MIST-Edge

- The MIST-Edge will take care of everything for you - lean back and enjoy ☺

```
OOB
root@vSRX# run show dhcp server binding
IP address      Session Id  Hardware address  Expires   State   Interface
172.16.40.100   1          50:00:00:01:00:00 86313    BOUND   ge-0/0/0.0

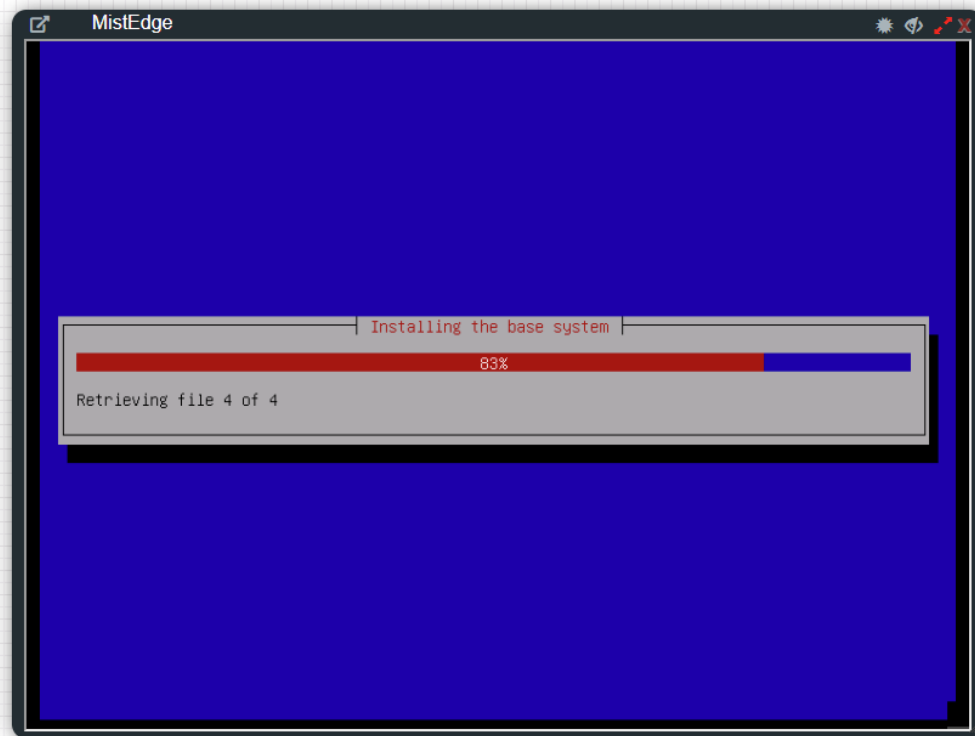
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IP address      Session Id  Hardware address  Expires   State   Interface
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IP address      Session Id  Hardware address  Expires   State   Interface
172.16.40.100   1          50:00:00:01:00:00 86351    BOUND   ge-0/0/0.0

[edit]
root@vSRX#
```



MIST-Edge

- ssh into the Edge (from your Lab / Firewall)

```
172.16.40.101      2          50:00:00:01:00:00  86261      BOUND      ge-0/0/0.0

[edit]
root@vSRX# run ssh mist@172.16.40.101
The authenticity of host '172.16.40.101 (172.16.40.101)' can't be established.
ECDSA key fingerprint is SHA256:kd9bitkqfdtzIvajDsoUw2py15cluPrJA+RxkmT9n+E.
Are you sure you want to continue connecting (yes/no)? yes
Warning: Permanently added '172.16.40.101' (ECDSA) to the list of known hosts.
mist@172.16.40.101's password:
Linux mxedge 5.10.0-26-amd64 #1 SMP Debian 5.10.197-1 (2023-09-29) x86_64

The programs included with the Debian GNU/Linux system are free software;
the exact distribution terms for each program are described in the
individual files in /usr/share/doc/*/copyright.

Debian GNU/Linux comes with ABSOLUTELY NO WARRANTY, to the extent
permitted by applicable law.
sourced /etc/skel/.mxagent_aliases
mist@mxedge:~$ █
```

MIST-Edge

- ▶ JNPR MIST-Edge Docs:
<https://www.juniper.net/documentation/us/en/software/mist/mist-edge-virtual-solution/mist-edge/topics/topic-map/vm-deployment-example.html>

Use SSH to connect to the Juniper Mist Edge with the username `mist`
`ssh mist@OOBM-IP`. Enter `Mist@1234` as the password.

Switch to root by issuing the command `su-`. Enter `mist` as the password.

To bootstrap the device and onboard it to the Mist Cloud, issue the following commands from CLI:

```
mist@mxedge:~$ su - Password: mist root@mxedge:~# apt-get update
```

After the update, register the device. Enter the command `mxagent-helper configure ----claim-code REGISTRATION CODE`.

At the end of the process, you see the following message:

```
registration finished successfully. (regfile at /var/lib/mxagent/mxagent.reg)
```

After the process is complete, the Juniper Mist Edge reboots automatically. At this point, you do not need SSH to connect to the Juniper Mist Edge. The device pulls the configuration from the Juniper Mist cloud.

After the reboot, the Juniper Mist Edge appears as connected on the Mist Edge Inventory page. An orange dot also indicates the connected status of the device.



Status	Name	Registration	IP	Cluster	Serial ID	ID	Model	Description	Location	Last Seen	Vendor	General IP Address
Connected	MistEdge-1	Registered			702.148.18.05	Unassigned	31	0	0%	2023-08-24 14:21	Juniper	10.10.10.10

MIST-Edge

- ▶ JNPR MIST-Edge Docs:
<https://www.juniper.net/documentation/us/en/software/mist/mist-edge-virtual-solution/mist-edge/topics/topic-map/vm-deployment-example.html>

- ▶ `mxagent register -- registration-code <CODE>`

Registration Code

EggwJH-yi-1EAfbFJgvsmyaAL6rr7Zloqsr1



- ▶ Wait 5min, then Reboot once

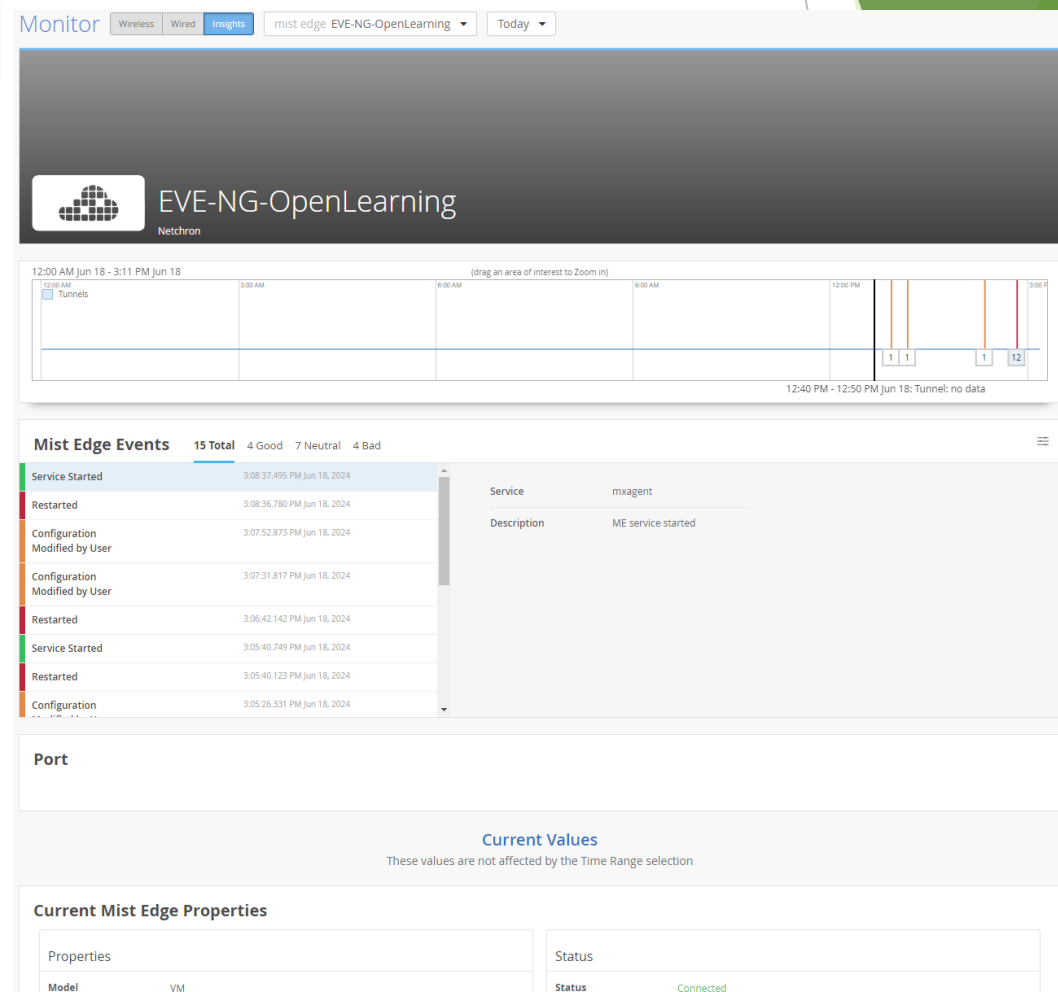
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Mist Edge Inventory org Entire Org

Filter

	Status	Name	Registration	Cluster	Tunnel IP	OOBM IP Address	OOBM MAC Address	Site	Model
<input type="checkbox"/>	Connected	EVE-NG-OpenLearning	Registered	-	172.16.40.201	172.16.40.101	--	Unassigned	VM

- ▶ The Edge will be shown as registered and „connected“
- ▶ Assign your Edge to a Site ;)
- ▶ Your AP's can now connect to it (Template)



MIST-Edge

► Custom Forwarding to „Site Edge“

SSID
MistEdge-WiFi

WLAN ID
523ac467-14aa-4bf5-b9b7-1277e9227862

Labels
DEMO

WLAN Status
☒ Enabled ☐ Disabled
☐ Hide SSID
☐ Broadcast AP name

Radio Band
☒ 2.4 GHz ☒ 5 GHz ☐ 6 GHz

Band Steering
☐ Enable

Client Inactivity
Drop inactive clients after seconds: 1800

Security
Security Type
WPA3 WPA2 OWE Open Access
Enterprise (802.1X) Personal (PSK)
☒ Passphrase [Reveal](#)
☐ Multiple passphrases
☐ MAC address authentication by RADIUS lookup
☐ Prevent banned clients from associating
[Edit banned clients in Network Security Page](#)

Fast Roaming
☒ Default ☐ .11r

VLAN
☐ Untagged ☒ Tagged ☐ Pool ☐ Dynamic
VLAN ID 400
(1 - 4094)

Apply to Access Points
All APs AP Labels Specific APs
AP43-Scholz-1OG

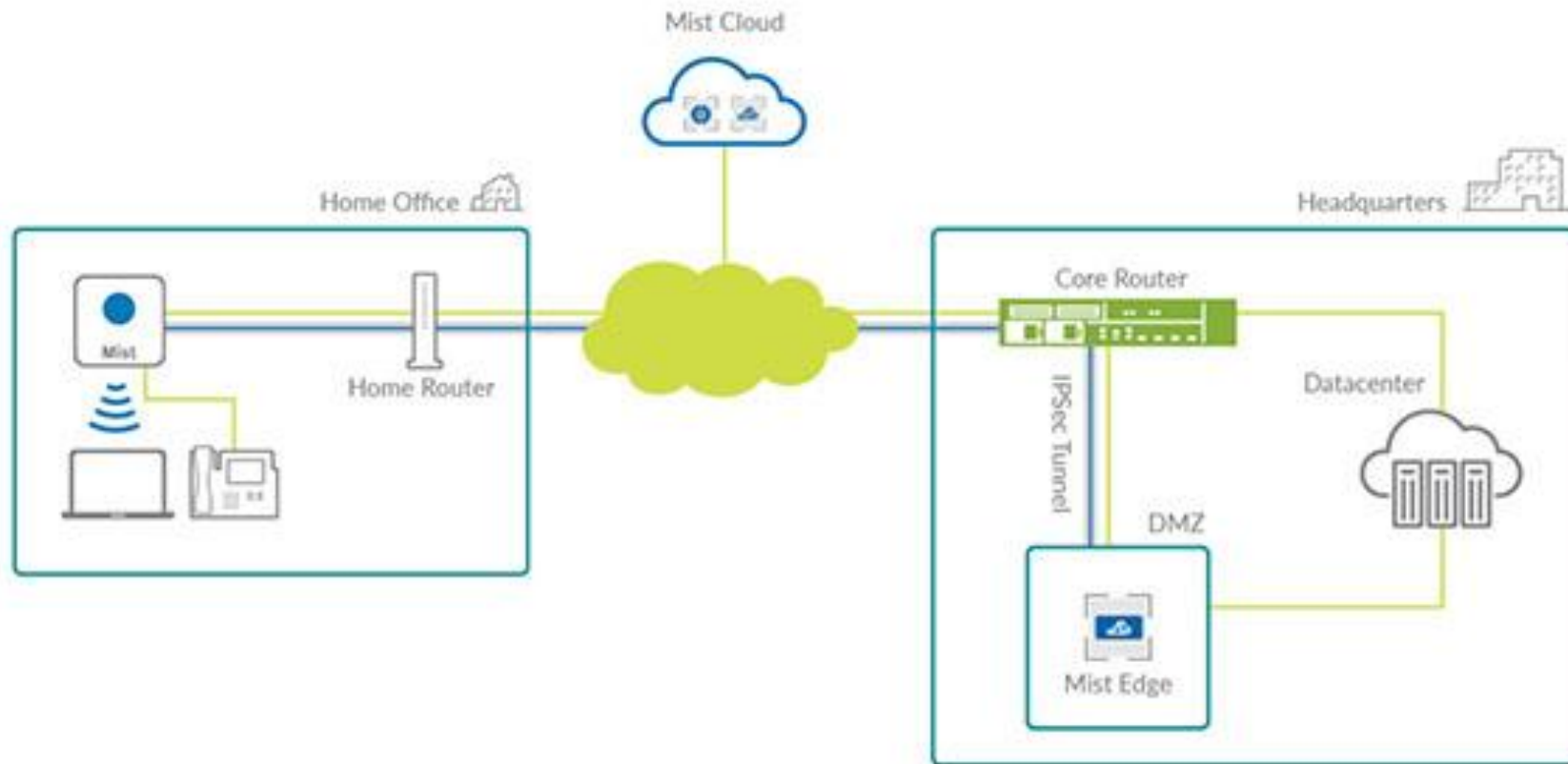
Isolation
Prohibit peer to peer communication
☒ Disabled ☐ Same AP ☐ Same Subnet

Filtering (Wireless)
☐ ARP
☒ Broadcast/Multicast
☐ Allow mDNS
☐ Allow SSDP
☐ Allow IPv6 Neighbor Discovery
☐ Ignore Broadcast SSID Probe Requests

Custom Forwarding
☒ Custom Forwarding to Site Edge

MIST-Edge

- Congrats - your Lab can now be accessed via your Home-WiFi ☺



Q&A

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