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Mellanox Overview

1999

Mellanox Founded

\$1.09B

2018 Revenue

~2,500

Employees worldwide

NASDAQ®

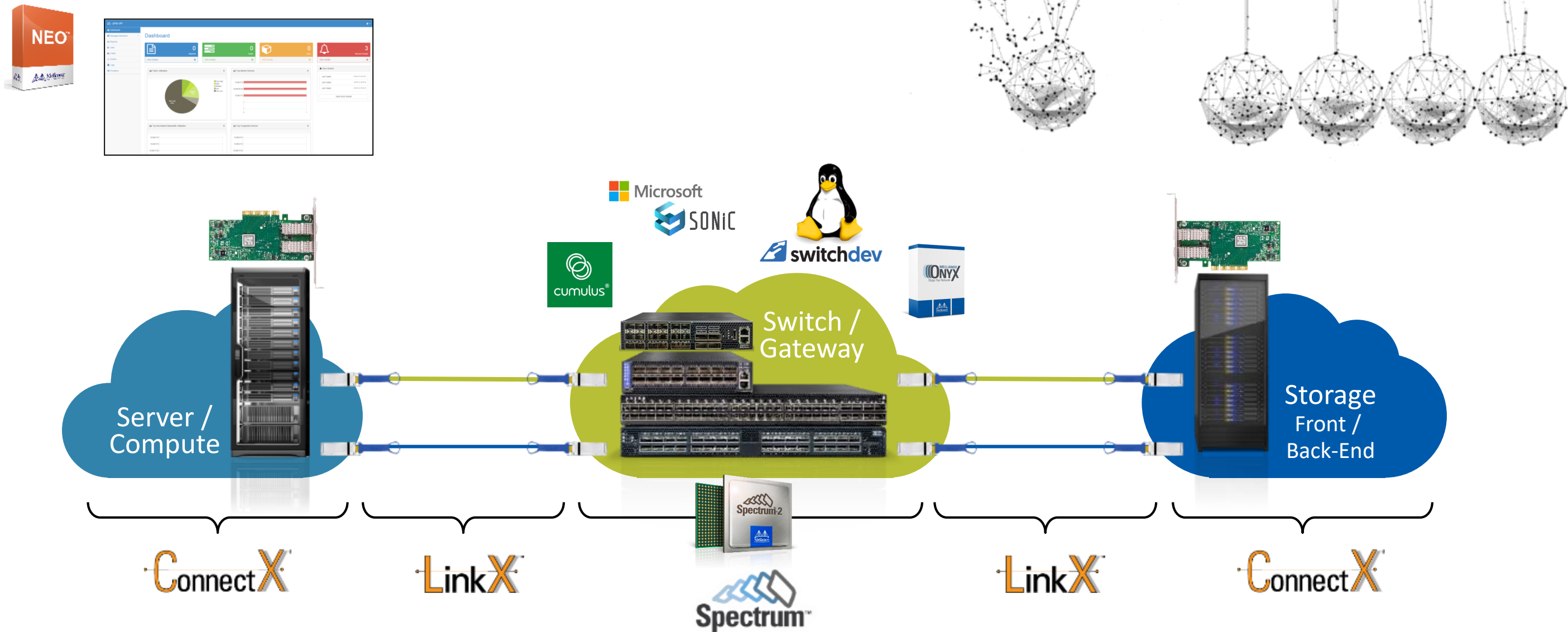
Ticker: MLNX



Company
Headquarters:

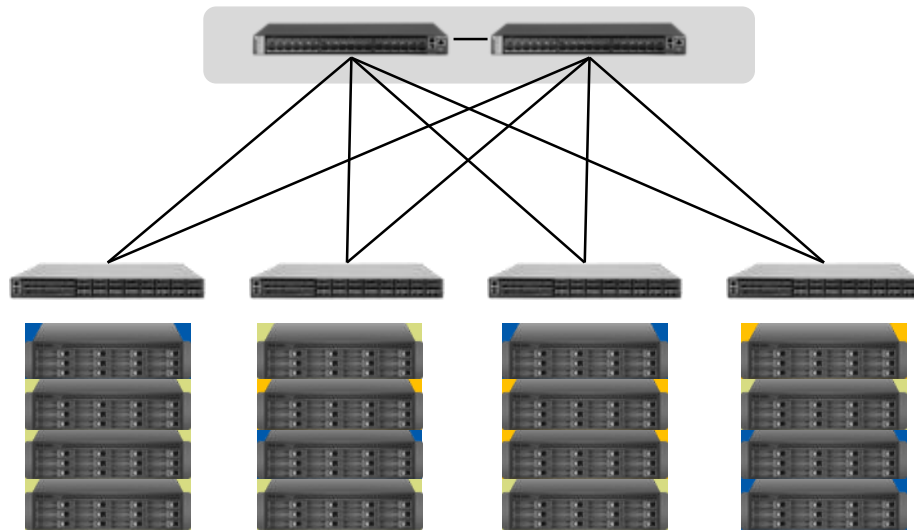
- Yokneam, Israel
- Sunnyvale, California
- Worldwide Offices

End-to-End Interconnect Solutions



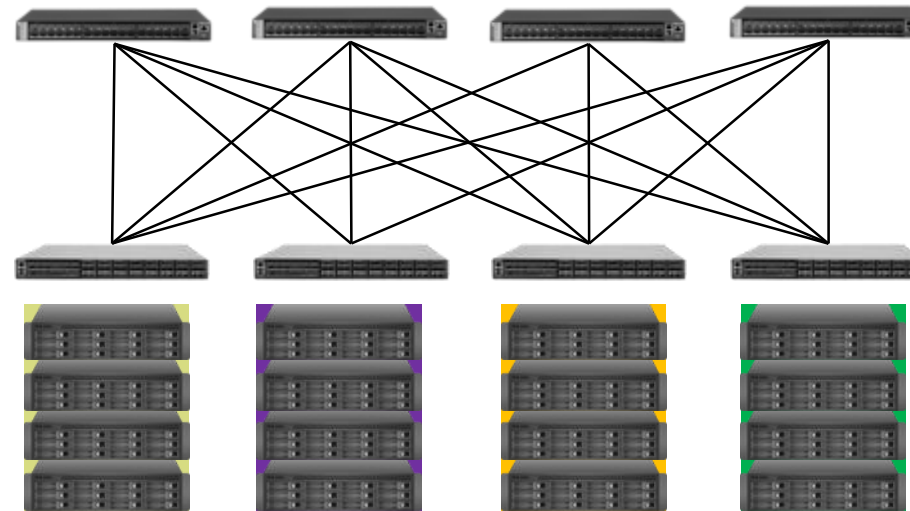
Leaf/Spine Deployments

Layer 2 / MLAG



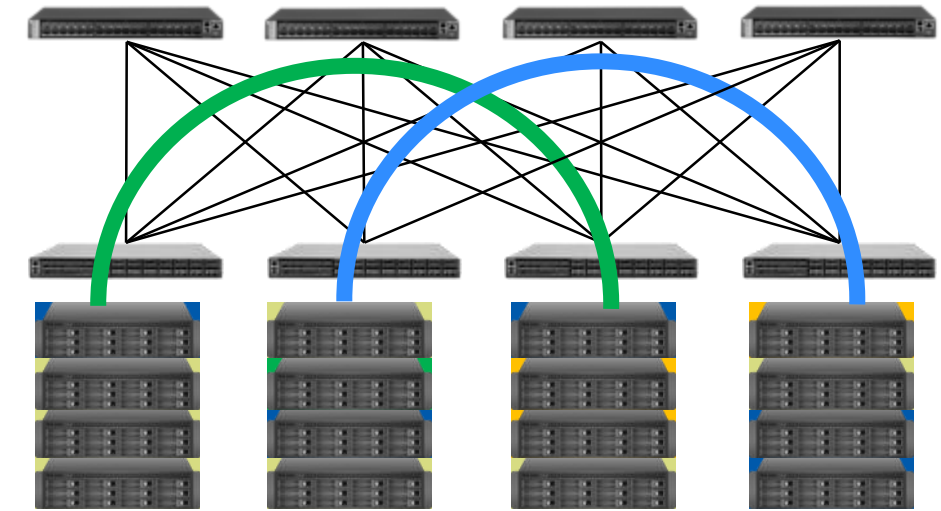
Connect out via spines, L3 GW on spines or above

Layer 3 / ECMP



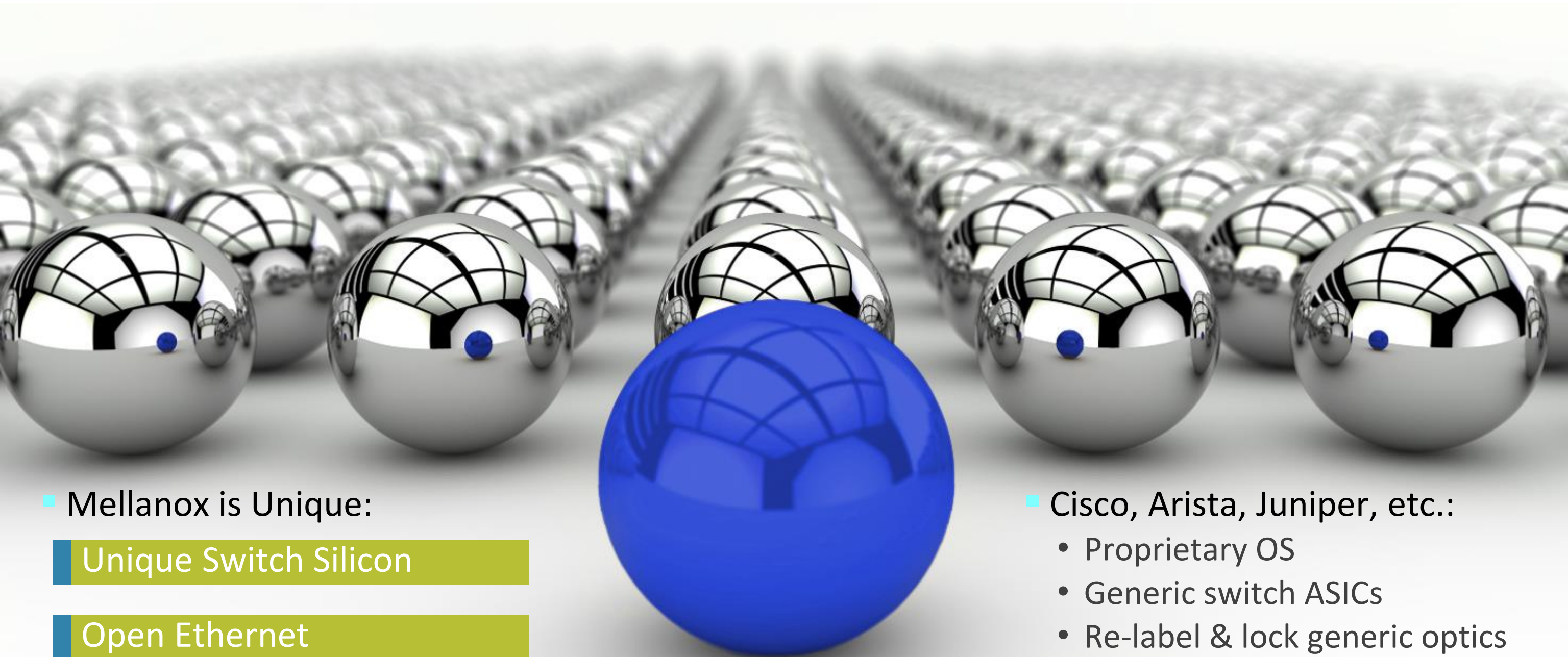
BGP from the Host – Kubernetes
VXLAN from the host- VMware , OpenStack, Kubernetes

L2 over Layer 3 VXLAN



Anycast L3 GW on TORs or FW as GW located on the border leaf.
EVPN Type 5 for Routes out of the fabric.

Mellanox – Not Like Other Network Vendors



■ Mellanox is Unique:

Unique Switch Silicon

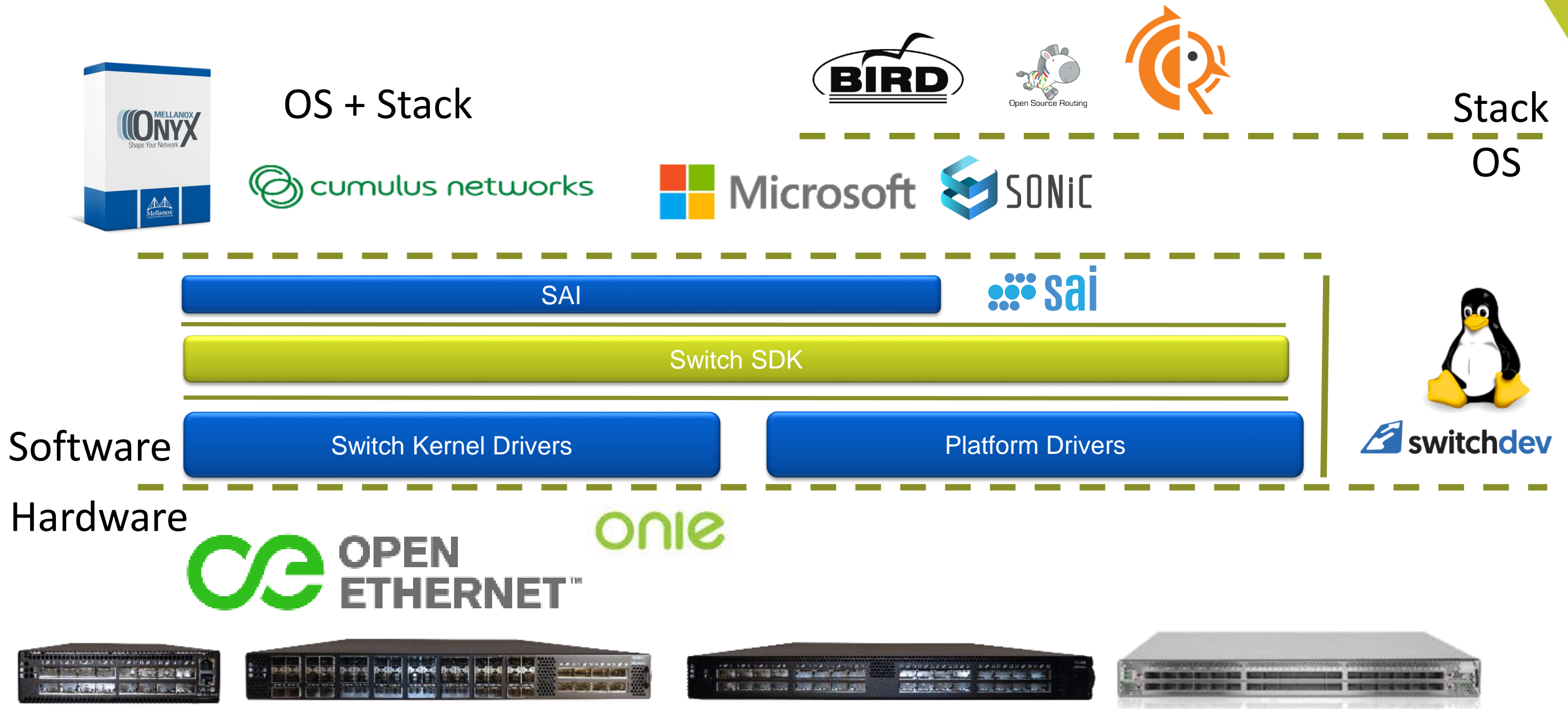
Open Ethernet

End to End

■ Cisco, Arista, Juniper, etc.:

- Proprietary OS
- Generic switch ASICs
- Re-label & lock generic optics
- License Features

We Are Building an Open Ecosystem



Open Ethernet SN2000 Series

SN2700 – 32x100GbE (up to 64 x 50/25/10GbE)
The Ideal 100GbE ToR / Aggregation



SN2410 – 8x100GbE + 48x25GbE
25GbE → 100GbE ToR



SN2100 – 16x100GbE ports (64x25GbE)
Ideal storage/Database Switch
Highest 25GbE Density per rack unit



SN2010 – 18x10/25GbE + 4x40/100GbE
Ideal HCI ToR Switch



- Predictable Performance
- Fair Traffic Distribution for Cloud
- Best-in-Class Throughput, Latency, Power Consumption
- Zero Packet Loss

300ns

SN2700 – 169W
SN2410 – 165W
SN2100 – 94W



Energy efficiency



Spectrum 2 - Open Ethernet SN3000 Series

SN3700C – 32x100GbE (128x 1-25GbE)
100GbE Spine/ToR



SN3700 – 32x200GbE (128x 1-50GbE)
200GbE Spine



SN3800 – 64x100GbE
Spine/Super Spine



SN3510 – 48x25/50GbE + 6x400GbE
25/50GbE → 400GbE ToR
(Q2 2020)

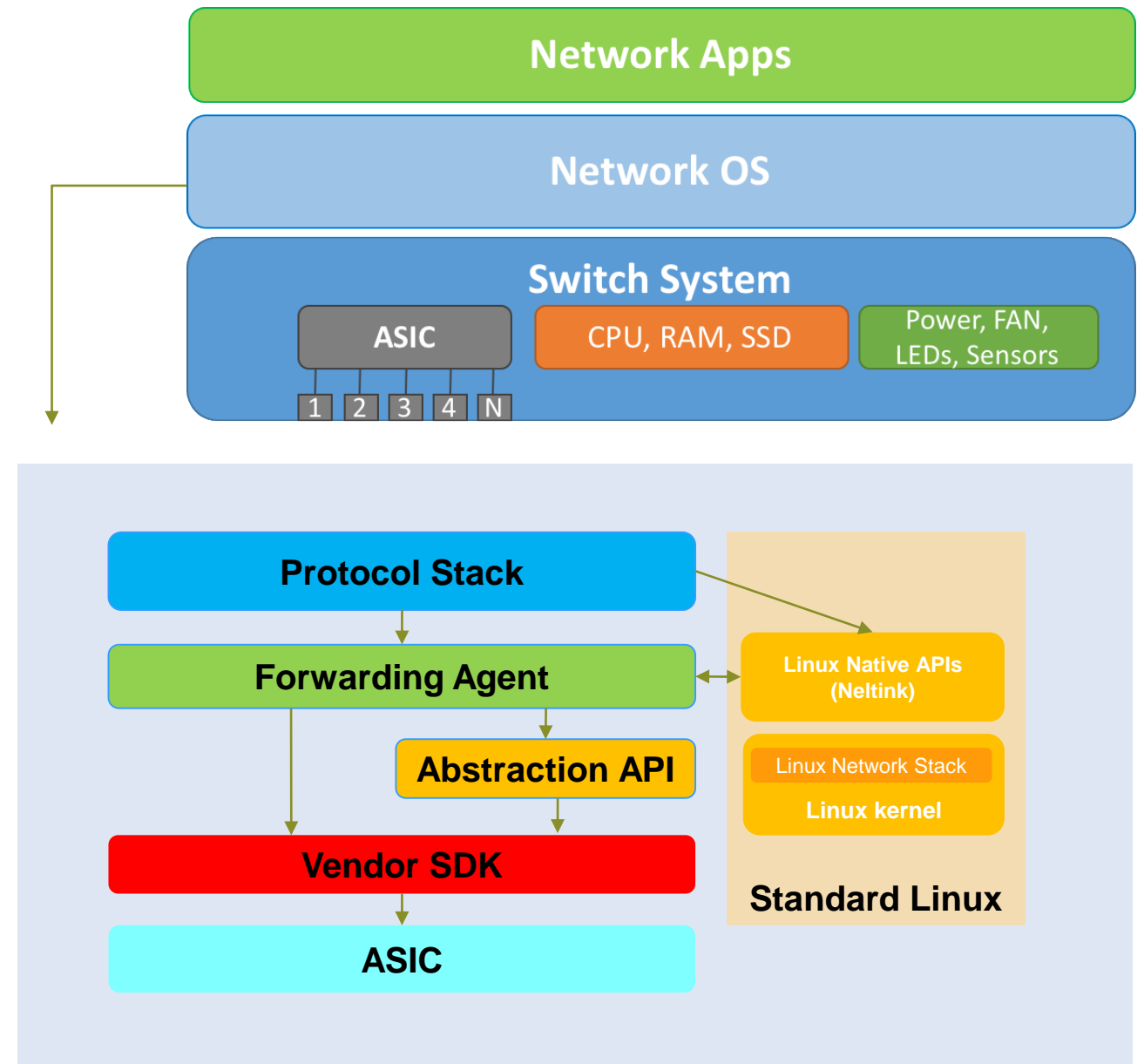


- Best-in-Class Buffers
- Best-In-Class Virtualization
- Best-In-Class Telemetry



Switch NOS Reference Architecture

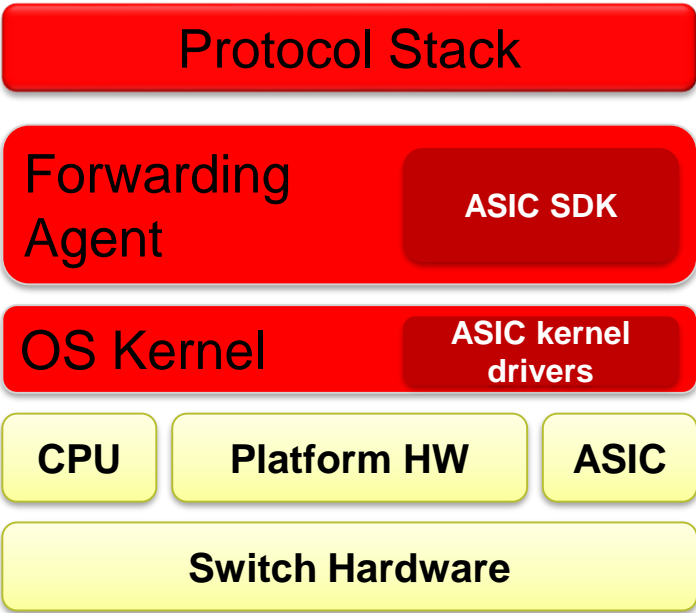
- Protocol Stack
 - Network protocols (RIB)
 - Bridge, STP, OSPF, BGP.
 - Forming FIB out of RIB
- Forwarding Agent
 - Middleware between Protocol Stack & ASIC
 - Programming FIB into the ASIC (HW offload)
 - Uses special API to communicate with ASIC
- API
 - Proprietary ASIC vendor SDK
 - Broadcom, Mellanox, Cavium, Marvell, etc.
 - Trend to standardize and open SDK
 - SAI, OpenNSL, OF-DPA, P4, etc.



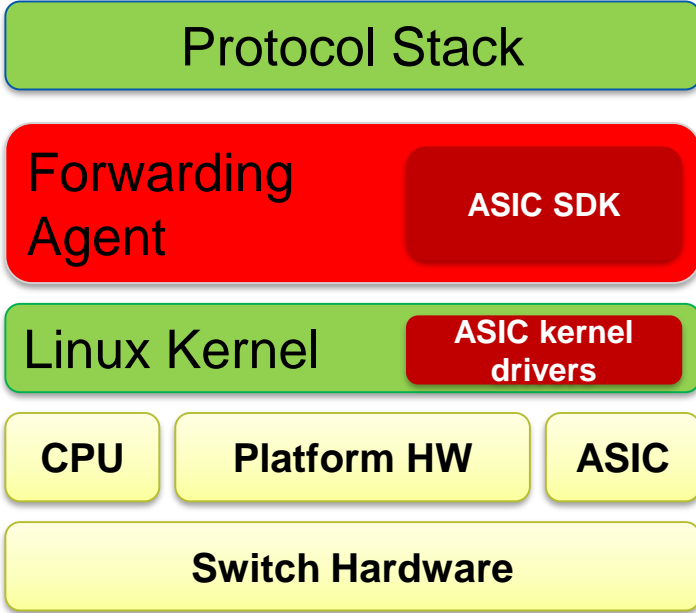
Switch NOS architecture examples



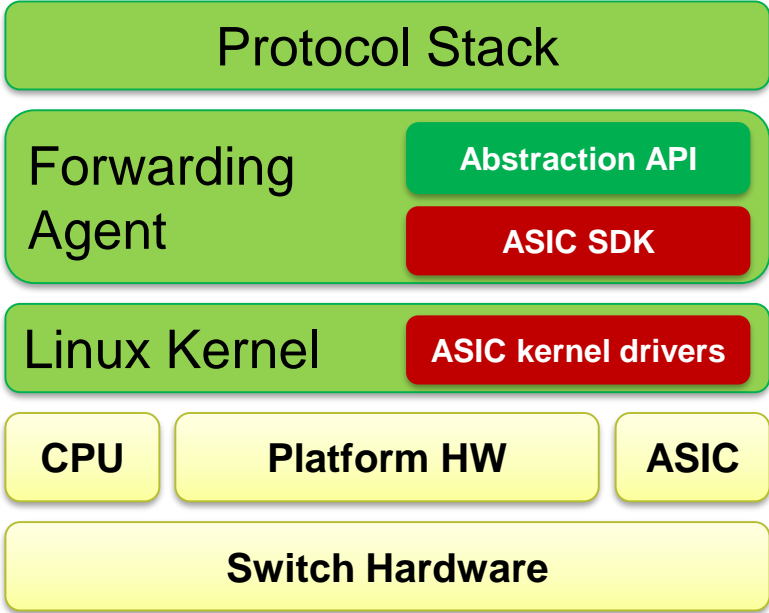
Traditional NOS



Commercial NOS based on Linux



Open NOS based on Linux



MLNX-OS traditional Industry like OS



Mellanox
TECHNOLOGIES

Mellanox MLNX-OS SX6036 Management Console

Host: switch-62e742 User: admin Logout

Subnet Manager is running remotely.

Setup System Security Ports Status IB SM Mgmt Fabric Inspector ETH Mgmt IP Route Gateway Save

Ports Information

Ports

Phy Profile

Protocol Type

SMA Ports

VLAN Interfaces

PKey Interfaces

Product Documents

Port Info

Port number : 4

Port type : ETH

Port description :

Admin state : Enabled

Operational state : Up

Mac address : 00:02:c9:78:e1:2b

MTU : 1500 bytes

Flow-control : receive off send off

Actual speed : 10 Gbps

Switchport mode : hybrid

Port Counters

RX frames : 1767453

RX unicast frames : 1685528

RX multicast frames : 127

RX broadcast frames : 127

RX octets : 1767453

RX error frames : 0

RX discard frames : 0

TX frames : 1738342

TX unicast frames : 1695709

TX multicast frames : 127

TX broadcast frames : 127

TX octets : 1738342

TX error frames : 0

TX discard frames : 0

Clear Port 4 Counters

LinkServer Switches (640), admin - Event Log

SNMP Traps - admin (Administrator)

Showing 101 - 150 of 300

Server Time	Agent IP	Enterprise	Generic Trap Type ID	Specific Trap Type ID	Device Upst...	Variable Bindings
08.09.2008 10:44:28	0.0.0.0	1.3.6.1.4.1.315.1.1.3.1.1	InkUp	0	2617467	Variable=ifIndex, Value=37
08.09.2008 10:45:58	0.0.0.0	1.3.6.1.4.1.315.1.1.3.1.1	InkDown	0	2600000	Variable=ifIndex, Value=37
08.09.2008 10:49:58	0.0.0.0	1.3.6.1.4.1.315.1.1.3.1.1	InkDown	0	2600000	Variable=ifIndex, Value=37
08.09.2008 10:50:58	0.0.0.0	1.3.6.1.4.1.315.1.1.3.1.1	InkDown	0	2600482	Variable=ifIndex, Value=14
08.09.2008 10:50:58	0.0.0.0	1.3.6.1.4.1.315.1.1.3.1.1	InkDown	0	2600590	Variable=ifIndex, Value=14
08.09.2008 10:54:03	0.0.0.0	1.3.6.1.4.1.315.1.1.3.1.1	InkUp	0	2410883	Variable=ifIndex, Value=14
08.09.2008 12:10:28	0.0.0.0	1.3.6.1.4.1.315.1.1.3.1.1	InkDown	0	1370477	Variable=ifIndex, Value=14
08.09.2008 12:00:55	0.0.0.0	1.3.6.1.4.1.315.1.1.3.1.1	InkUp	0	1317470	Variable=ifIndex, Value=14
08.09.2008 12:00:55	0.0.0.0	1.3.6.1.4.1.315.1.1.3.1.1	InkDown	0	1293670	Variable=ifIndex, Value=14
08.09.2008 12:07:58	0.0.0.0	1.3.6.1.4.1.315.1.1.3.1.1	InkUp	0	1278470	Variable=ifIndex, Value=14
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08.09.2008 12:57:58	0.0.0.0	1.3.6.1.4.1.315.1.1.3.1.1	InkDown	0	1278470	Variable=ifIndex, Value=14
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■ GUI

■ CLI



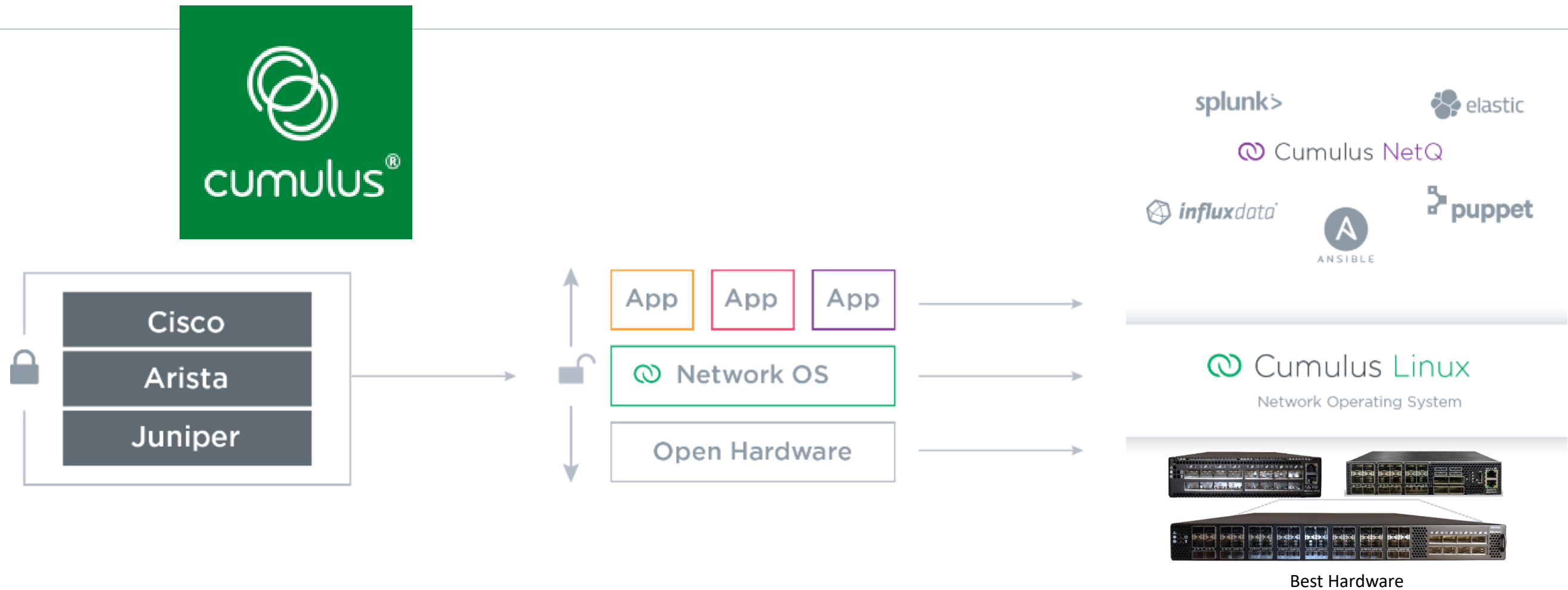
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10.224.13.15 - PuTTY
login as: admin
Mellanox MLNX-OS Switch
Last login: Sun Apr 21 09:11:11 from 10.224.13.15

Mellanox Switch

arc-1016-02 [standalone: master] > en
arc-1016-02 [standalone: master] # conf t
arc-1016-02 [standalone: master] (config) # ip routing
arc-1016-02 [standalone: master] (config) #
arc-1016-02 [standalone: master] (config) # vlan 1
arc-1016-02 [standalone: master] (config vlan 1) # exit
arc-1016-02 [standalone: master] (config) # interface ethernet 1/1 switchport access vlan 1
arc-1016-02 [standalone: master] (config) # interface vlan 1 ip address 192.168.1.1 /24
arc-1016-02 [standalone: master] (config) # interface vlan 1 no shut
arc-1016-02 [standalone: master] (config) # interface vlan 1 counters
arc-1016-02 [standalone: master] (config) #
arc-1016-02 [standalone: master] (config) # protocol ospf
arc-1016-02 [standalone: master] (config) #
arc-1016-02 [standalone: master] (config) # router ospf
arc-1016-02 [standalone: master] (config router ospf) # exit
arc-1016-02 [standalone: master] (config) #
arc-1016-02 [standalone: master] (config) # interface vlan 1 ip ospf area 0.0.0.0
arc-1016-02 [standalone: master] (config) #
```

■ SNMP

Cumulus – Mellanox Partnership



1

Economical scalability

With commodity hardware and a standardized Linux stack, achieving a lower TCO by up to 60%

2

Built for the automation age

Making networking repeatable and consistent

3

Standardized toolsets

Easily enable Linux tools: automation, monitoring, analytics...

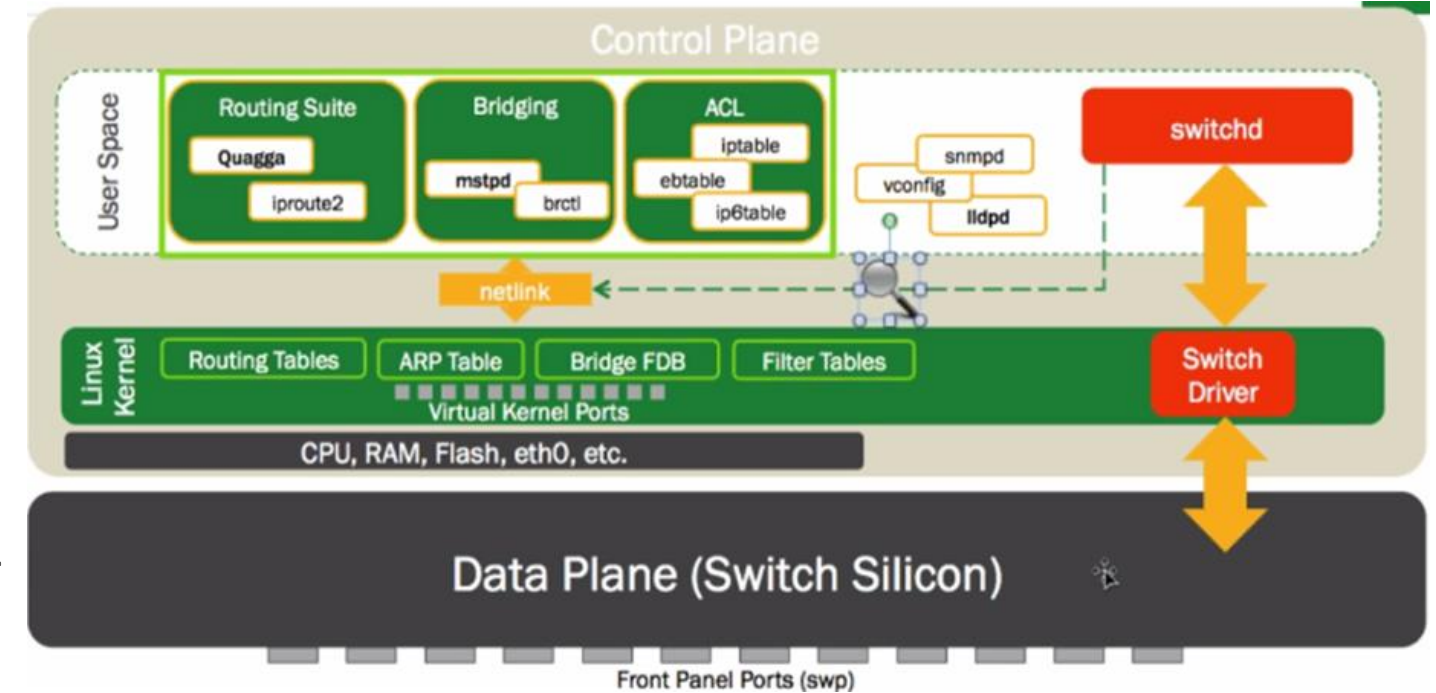
4

Choice and flexibility

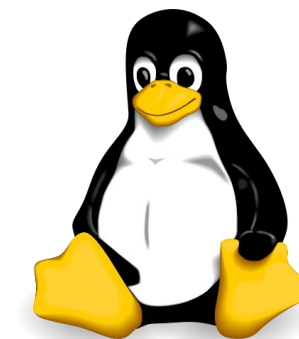
50+ hardware platforms, from 11 vendors, and 2 silicon

Cumulus

- Cumulus Linux is a Debian Jessie based , much lighter in the size
- Linux is a Linux, you can google it, you can use man command to learn about the different commands
- Except of the code that controls the silicon , all are open source and additions that are pushed to the upstream (in process)
- Cumulus are providing systems wrappers commands for a better user interface
- NCLU



```
cumulus@tor-11[~]# net ?
abort      : abandon changes since last commit
add        : add a configuration line
clear      : clear counters, BGP neighbors, etc
commit     : save pending changes
del        : delete a configuration line
help       : show this screen and exit
pending    : view pending changes
show       : show command output
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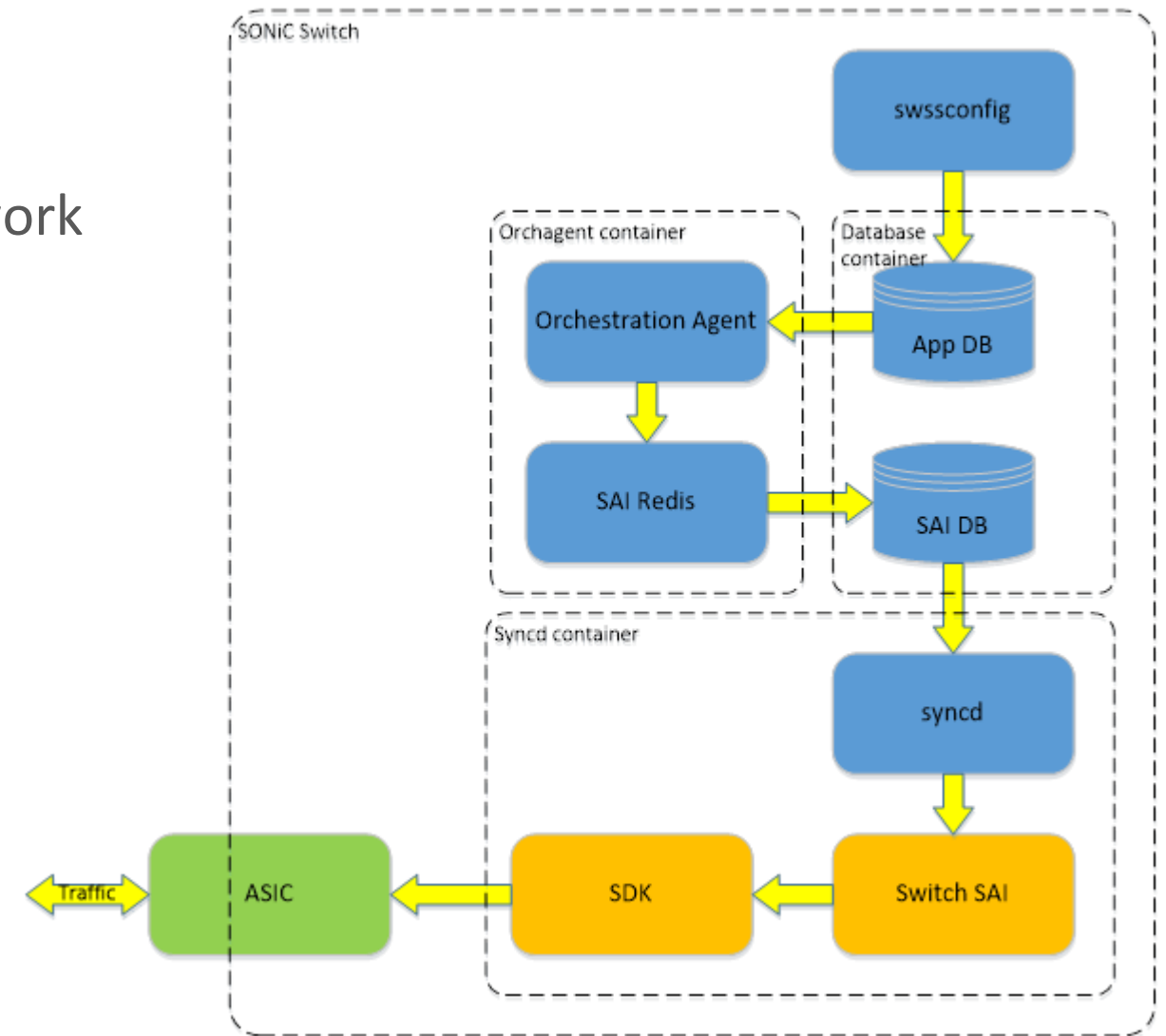
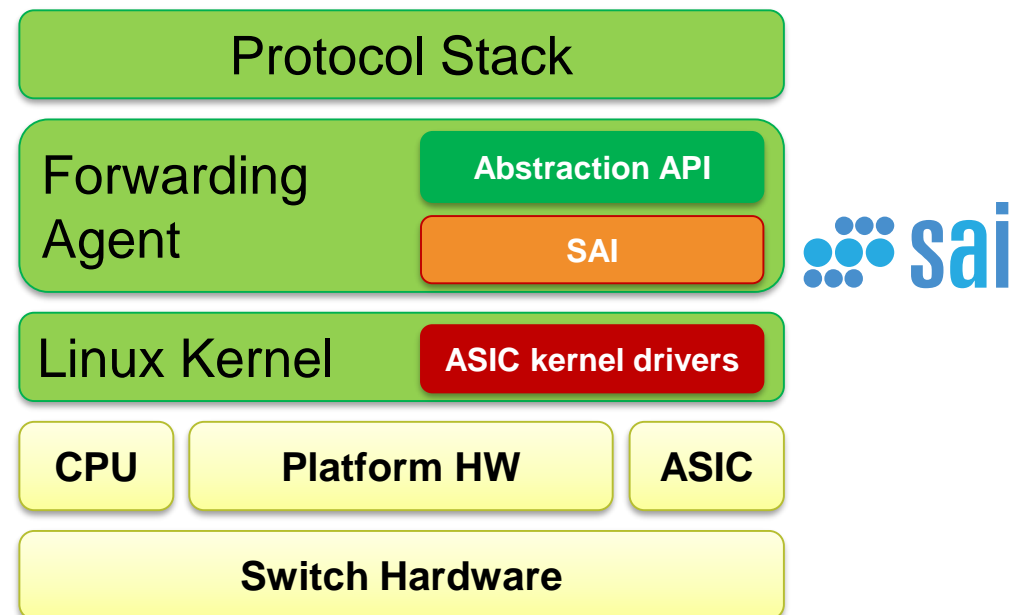
SONiC - Software for Open Networking in the Cloud

- SONiC is a collection of software packages installed on Linux running on a network hardware switch which make it a complete, functional router targeted at data center networks. Runs on Debian 8 'Jessie' distribution.
- SONiC is supported by the community and all code is shared in public github
<https://github.com/Azure/SONiC>
<https://github.com/Azure/SONiC/wiki/Architecture>
- SONiC deployment
 - in Microsoft production datacenters today and in Mellanox IT
 - Alibaba is planning soon as well
 - EMEA



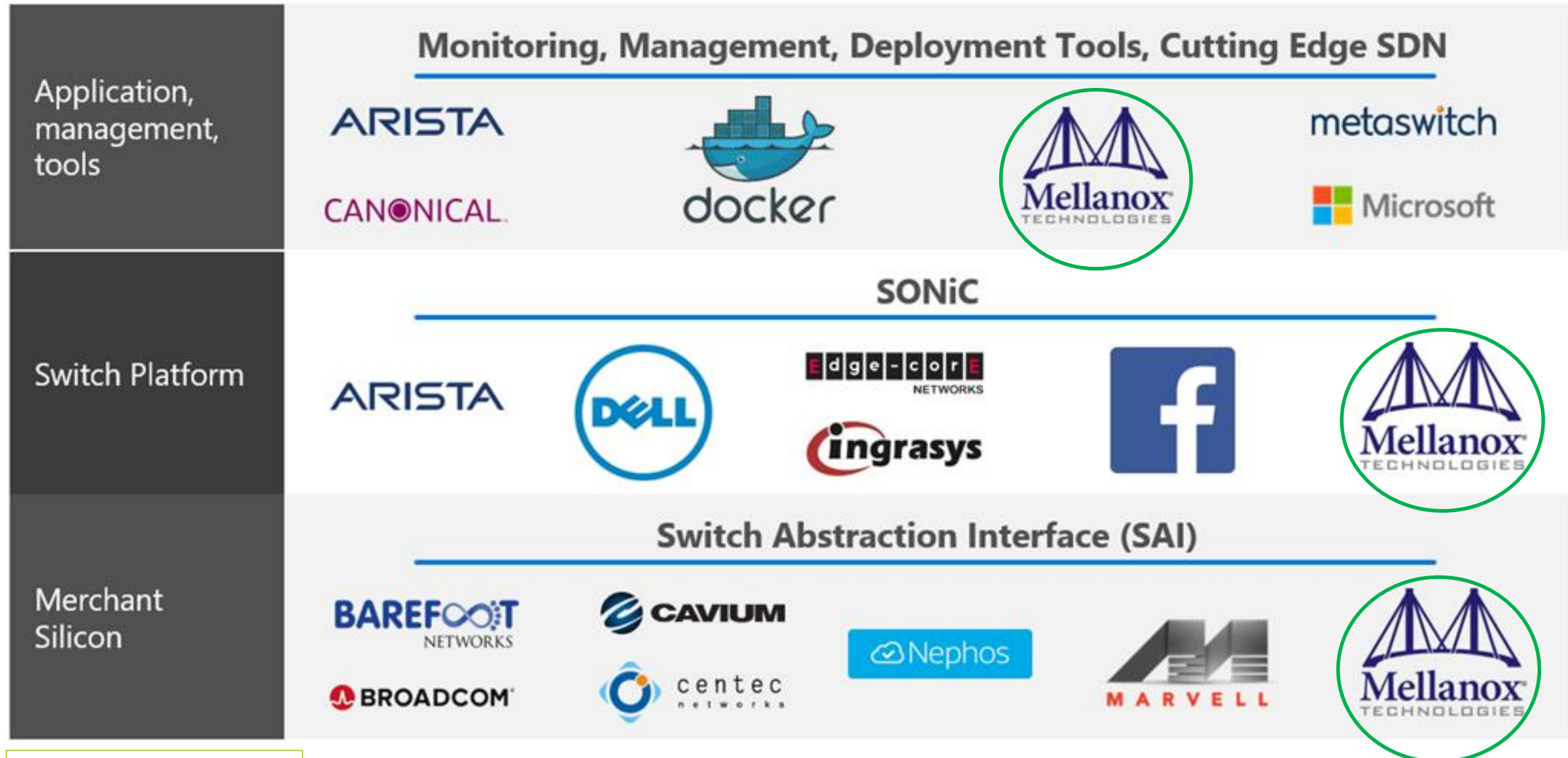
SONiC Architecture cont.

- The Switch State Service (SwSS) is a collection of software that provides a database interface for communication with and state representation of network applications and network switch hardware.

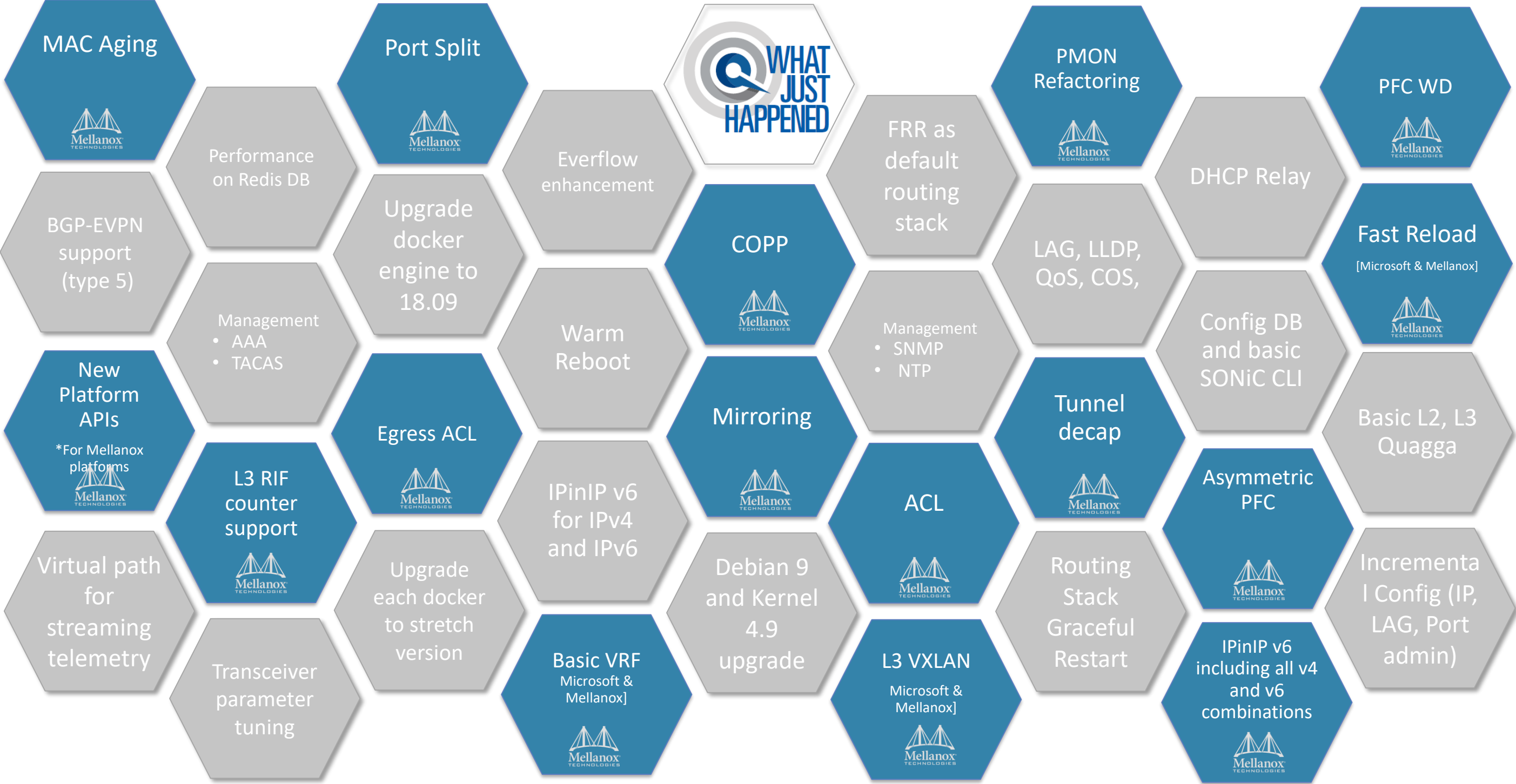


SONiC participants (From Azure blog)

Mellanox is the ONLY vendor to contribute at all levels



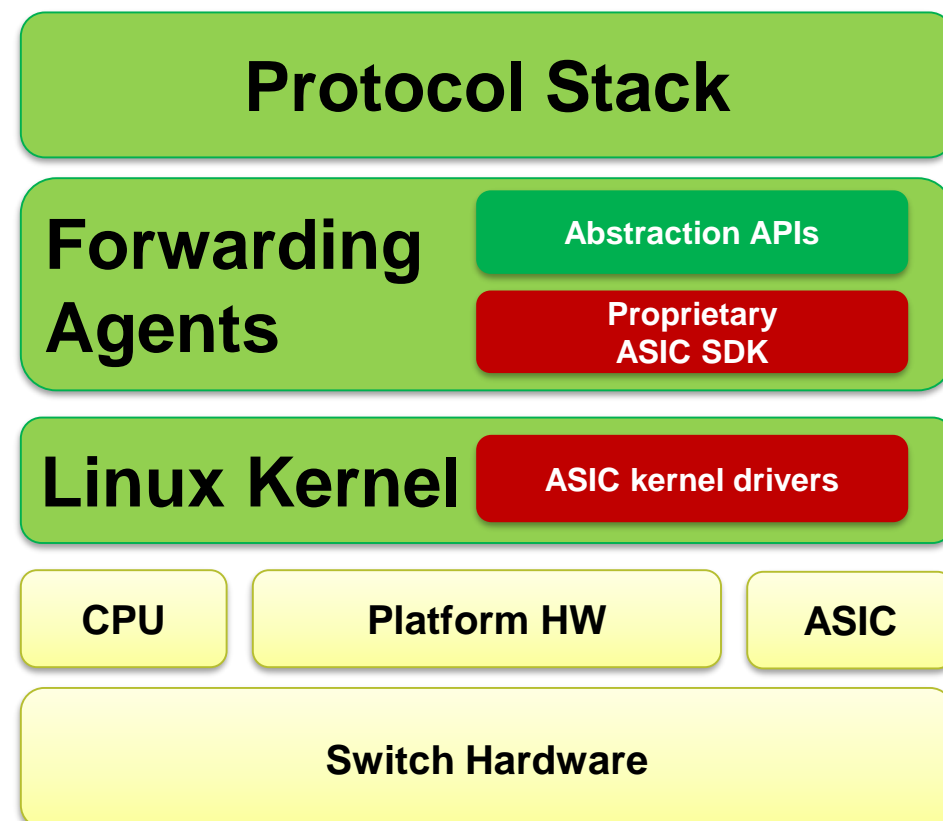
Mellanox Contribution



HW offload without SDK = Linux Switch

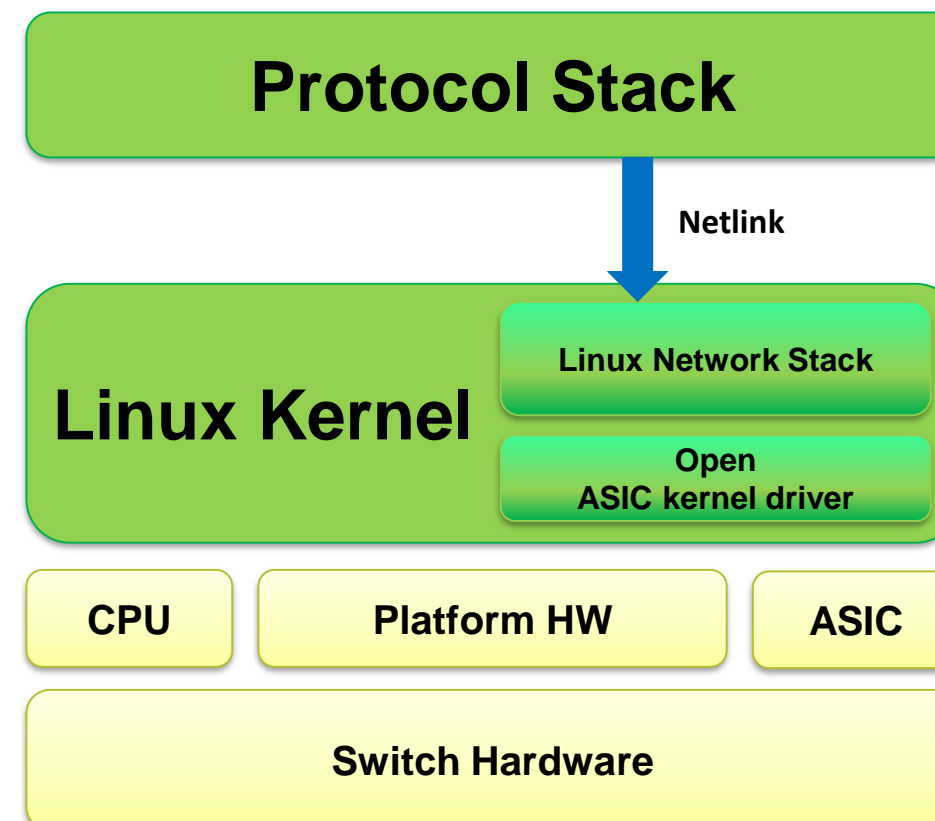


Open NOS based on Linux

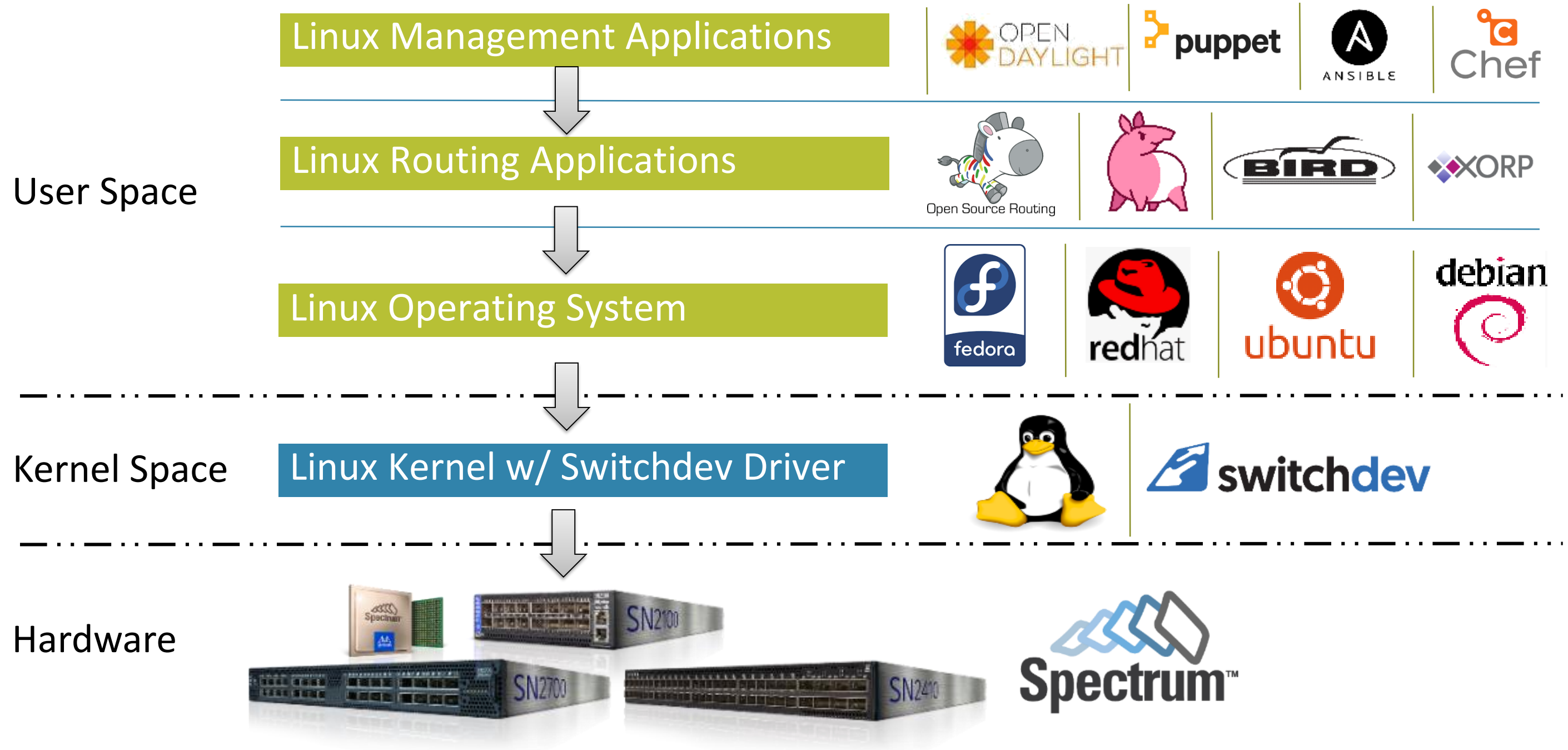


Open source

Open Linux as a NOS



Linux Switch architecture



Available today [Linux Kernel 5.0] – feature list

■ Visibility and Maintainability

- [ER]SPAN
- Temperature
- Fans
- LED Control
- ethtool (port counter, FW version, transceiver data)
- Resource queries
- RIF counters

■ Protocols

- Bridge - 802.1D
- VLAN - 802.1Q
- LAG
- LLDP
- IGMP snooping
- Unicast IPv4/IPv6 router
- ECMP
- DCB
- QoS
- IGMP flood control
- sFlow
- 256 VRFs
- GRE tunnelling
- Multicast IPv4/IPv6 router
- IPv4/IPv6 weighted ECMP
- VRRP
- VxLAN

■ ACL

- tc-flower offload
- Actions: Drop, Forward, Counters, Trap, TC_ACT_OK
- TC chain template
- Keys: Port, DMAC, SMAC, Ethertype, IP proto, SIP DIP (IPv4/6), TCP/UDP, L4 port, VLAN-ID, PCP, DCSP, VLAN valid, TCP flags

■ Misc

- 'devlink' tool
- Port splitter
- Shared buffer configuration
- Internal secured FW upgrade
- ECN: RED and PRIO

Open NOS in production?

■ Why not?

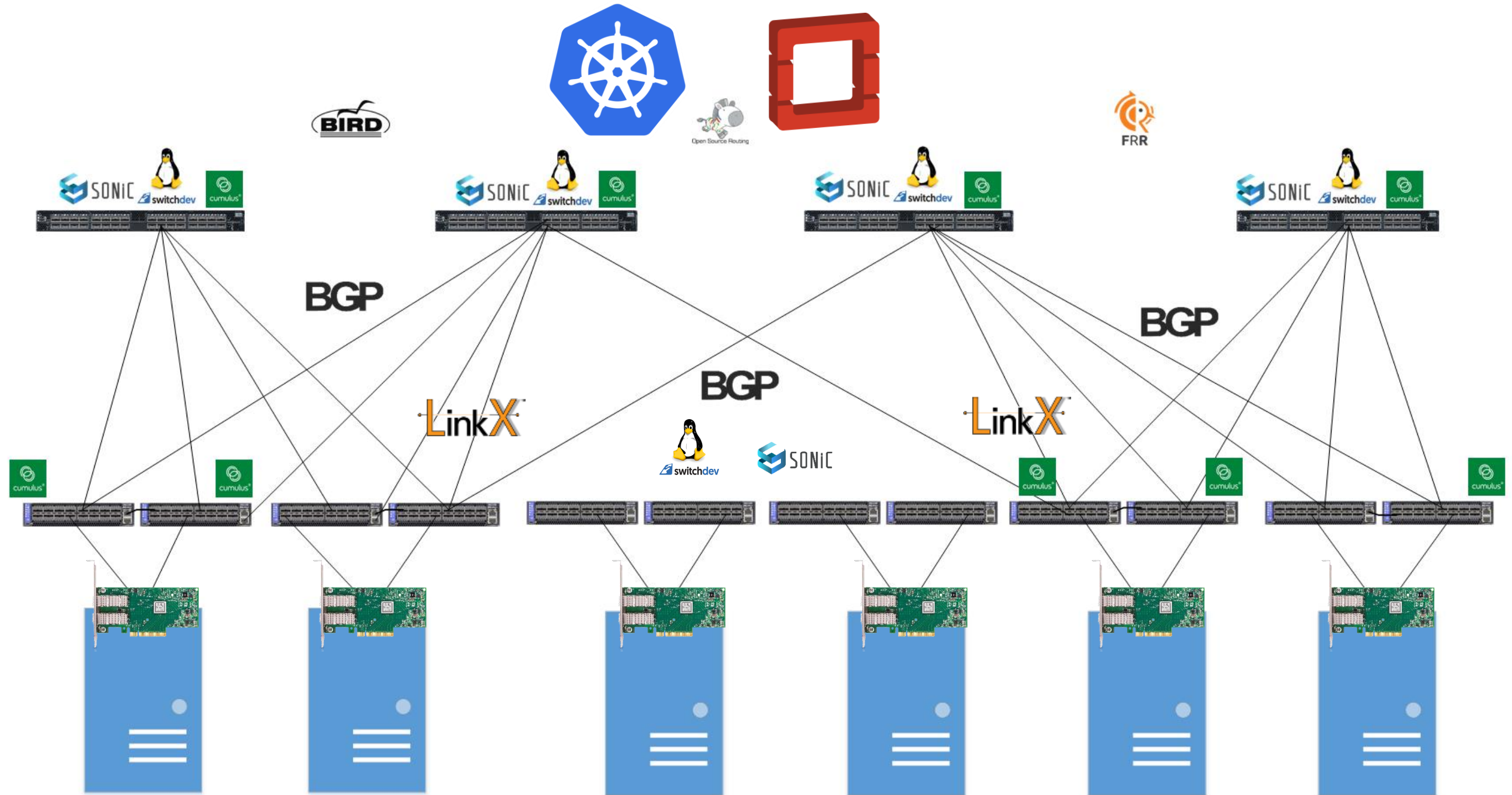
- Microsoft, Alibaba - SONiC
- Facebook - FBOSS
- Ngenix (CDN) - Linux/switchdev
- Russia Biggest Bank (Cloud) - Linux/siwtchdev
- ...

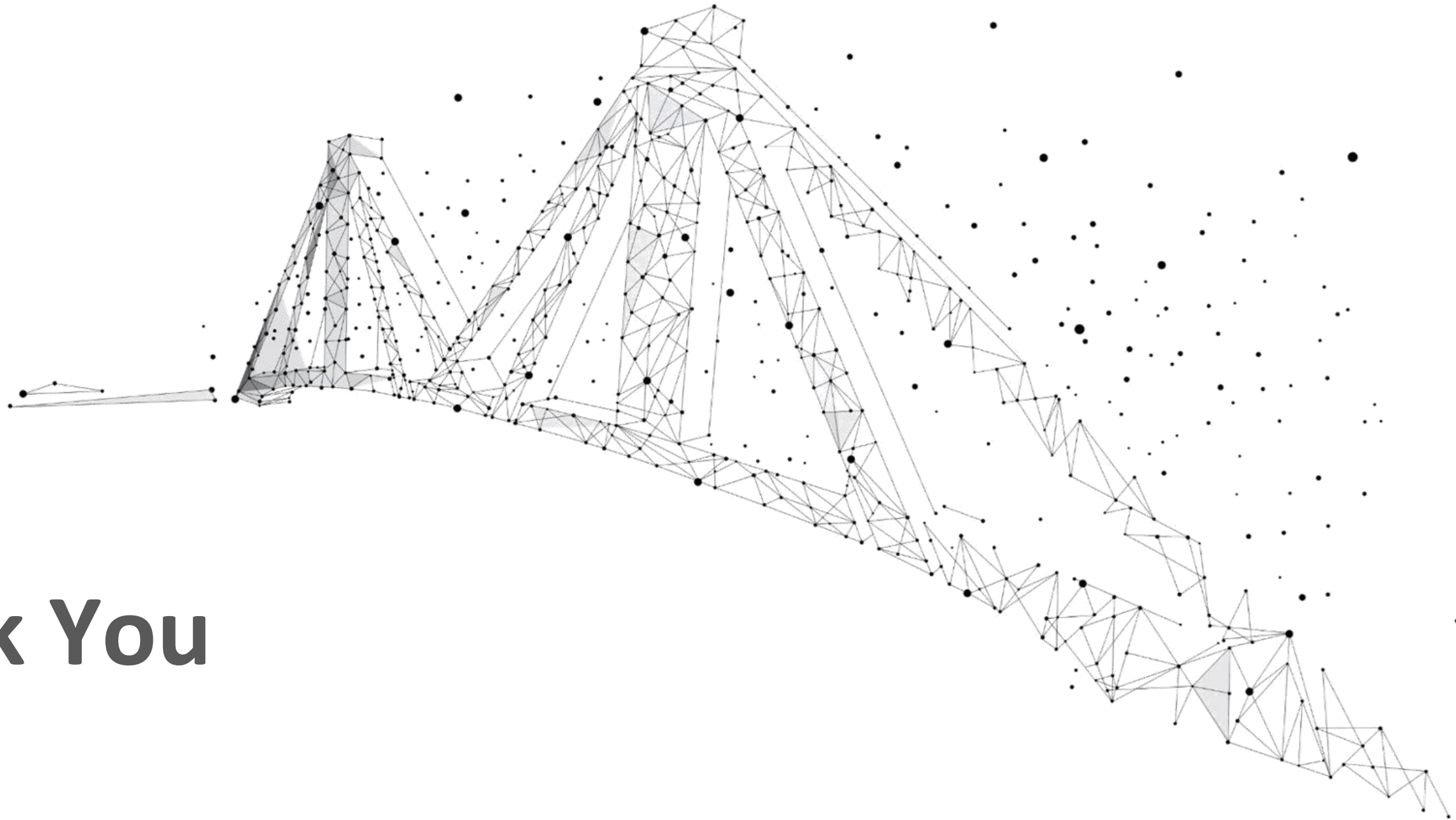
■ Vendor Support

- SONiC - Mellanox, Dell, Edge-Core, Arista, *Cisco*, ... 20+
- Linux/switchdev - Linux, Mellanox, Cumulus, ALT ...

■ Feature Richness

- L2 bridging
 - Linux bridge, MSTPd
- L3 routing
 - Open OSPF/BGP implementations - 20+ yrs
 - Quagga/FRR/Bird/...
- Tunneling - GRE/VXLAN
 - Linux kernel, OVS
 - EVPN - FRR/GoBGP
- Security/Isolation - ACL, VRF
 - iptables, Linux TC, Linux NS/VRF
- Management, monitoring
 - SNMPd, hsFlowd, Grafana





Thank You

