



The bridge to possible

Network Services Orchestration(NSO)

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Agenda

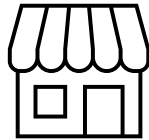
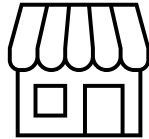
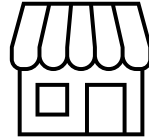
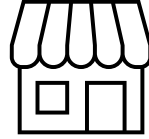
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Automation

“Automation is the technology by which a process or procedure is performed with minimal human assistance.”

Wikipedia

The story



- Time consuming manual configuration
- Configuration errors and inconsistency
- Multivendor environment different CLI and APIs



The automation drive



Complexity

- Increasing number of **complex technologies**
- Increasing **scale**
- **Skills** shortage



Quality

- **Faster** time to market
- **Differentiation** demand
- **Security** focus





Economics



- Reduce **Opex**
- Reduce **human errors**
- **Account Role** of technology investment with business outcomes


Tie Islands of Automation Together

End-to-End Automation Delivers Business Value



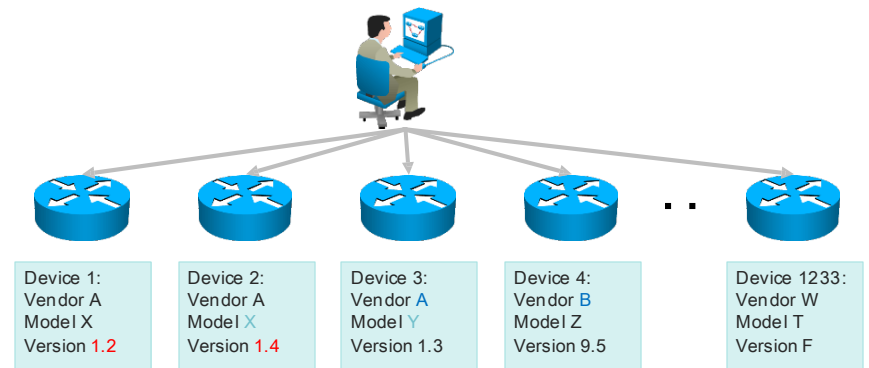
-  Multiple Operating Systems and platforms (>10)
-  Different Types of Automation Tools (>50)

-  Scripts (>10,000)
-  Manual Activity (>1,000)

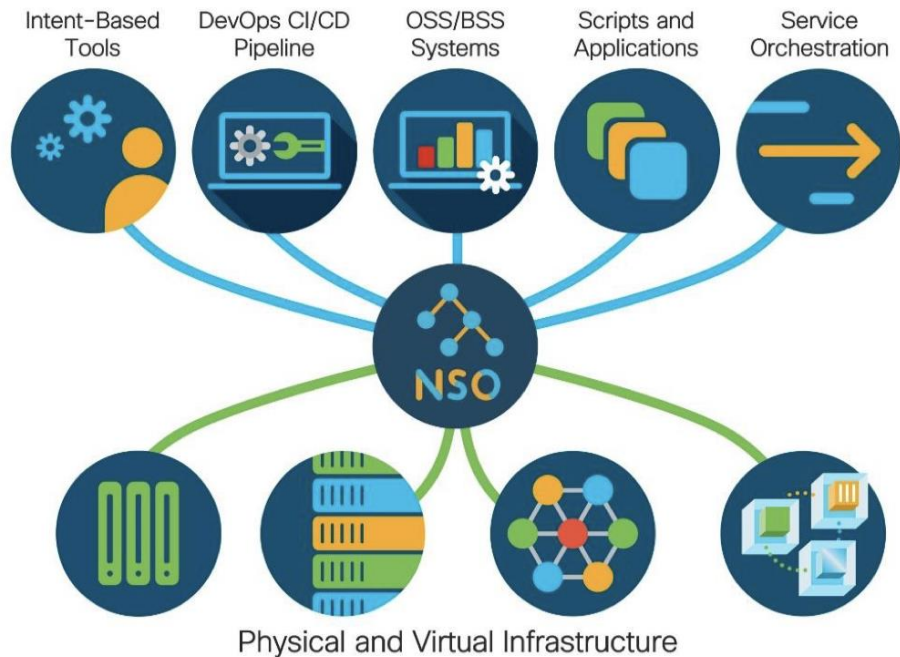
-  Orchestration software, cross-team collaboration

Network Management Challenges

- We are configuring **different** devices. - multi-vendor environment.
- There is no real **service** management
- There is no abstract **models** beyond device level
- Understand the capabilities and limitations of each device and device group
- Ensure consistency and reliability of configurations across all devices
- Backup and restore configurations.



Cisco NSO is a bridge

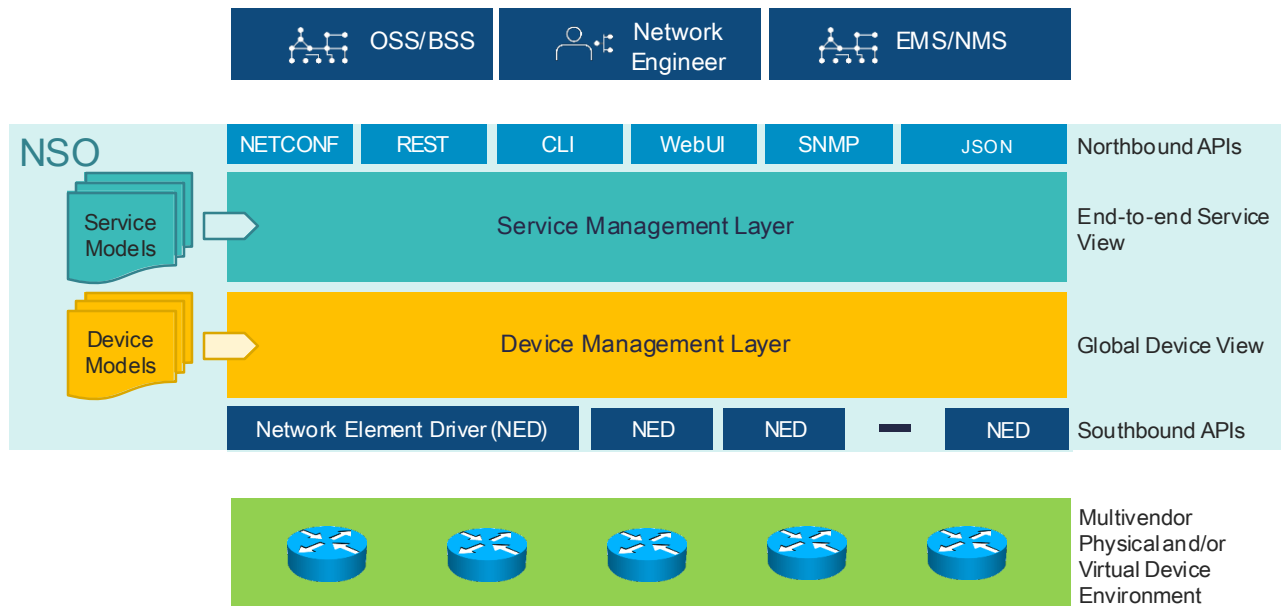


Between people that build services and ones that operate infrastructure

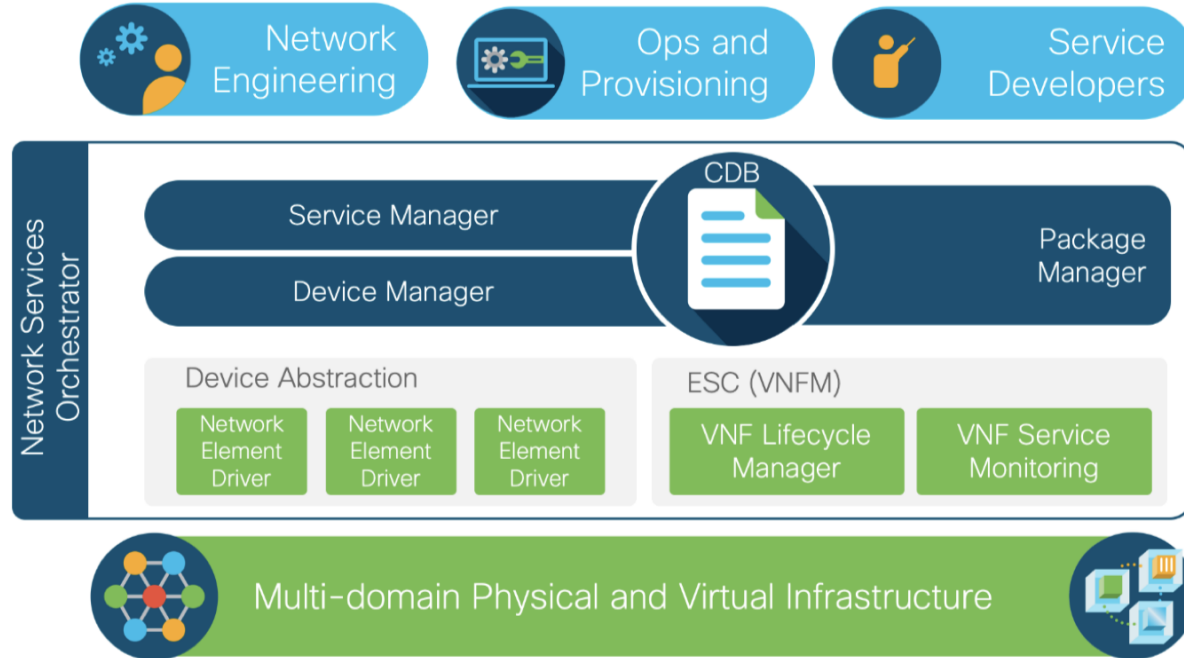
Across different domains and vendors

Over both physical and virtual infrastructure

NSO Network Abstraction



NSO Architecture



Model-driven, end-to-end service lifecycle and customer experience focused

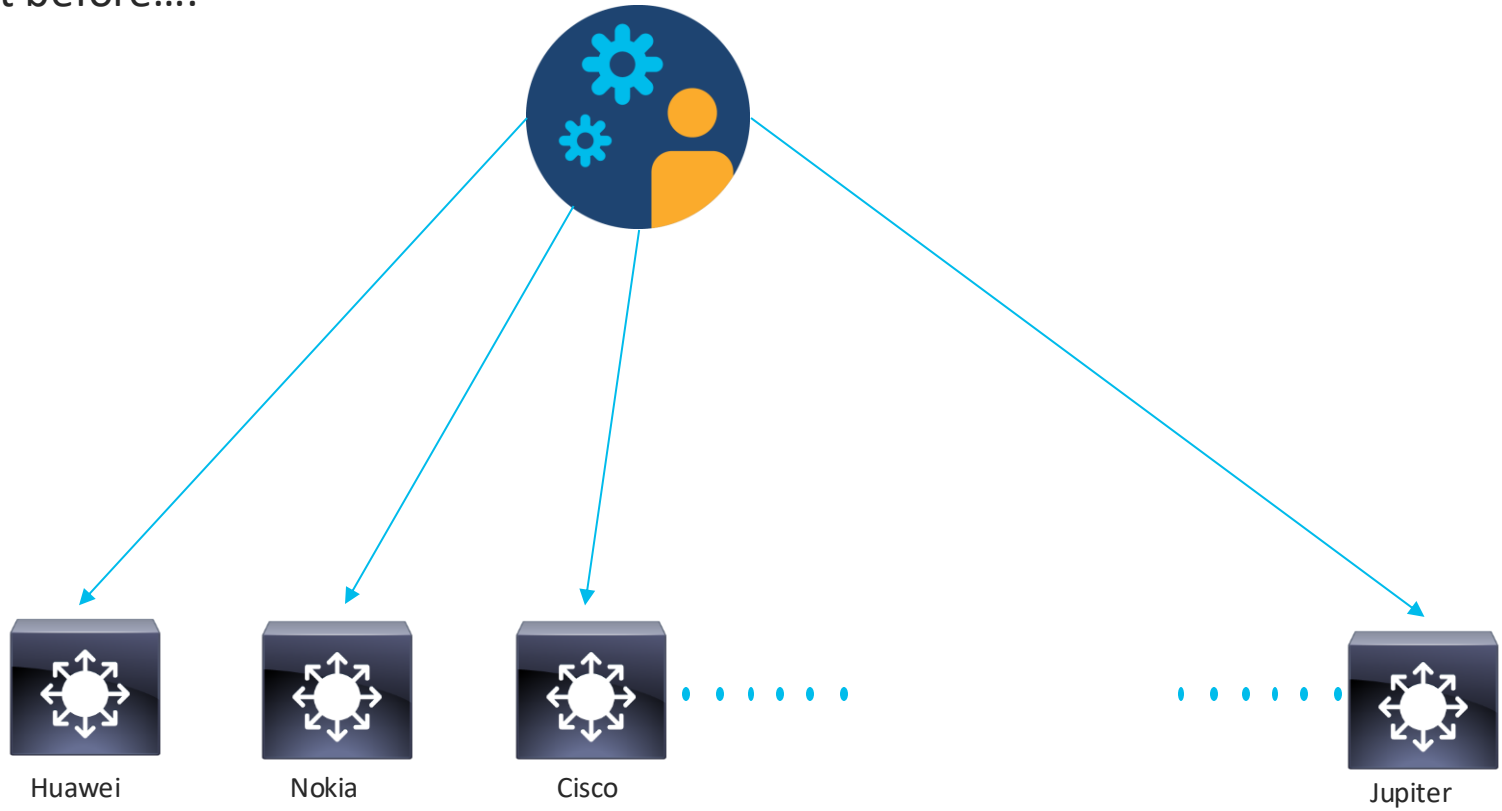
Seamless integration with northbound tooling

Loosely-coupled and modular architecture leveraging open APIs and standard protocols

Orchestration across multi-domain and multi-layer for network-wide, centralized policy and services

Network Services Orchestration (NSO)

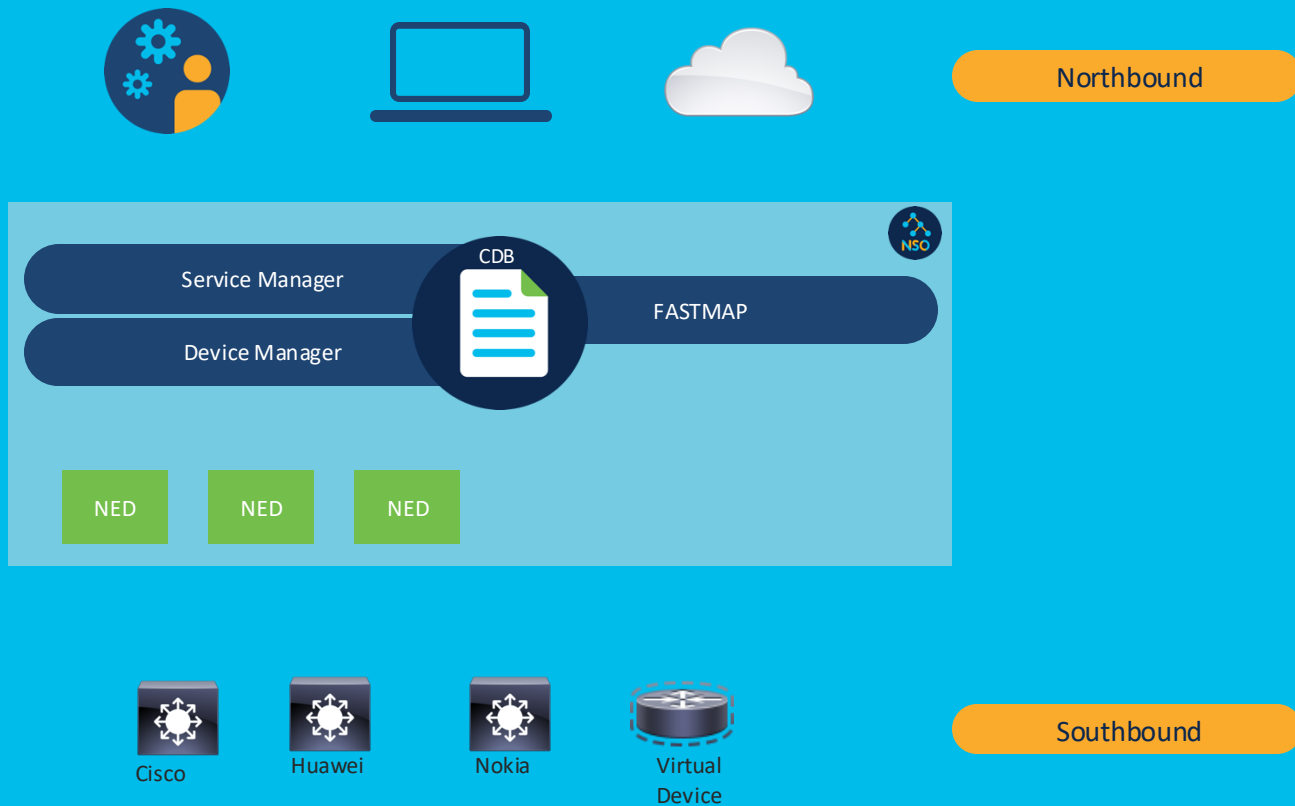
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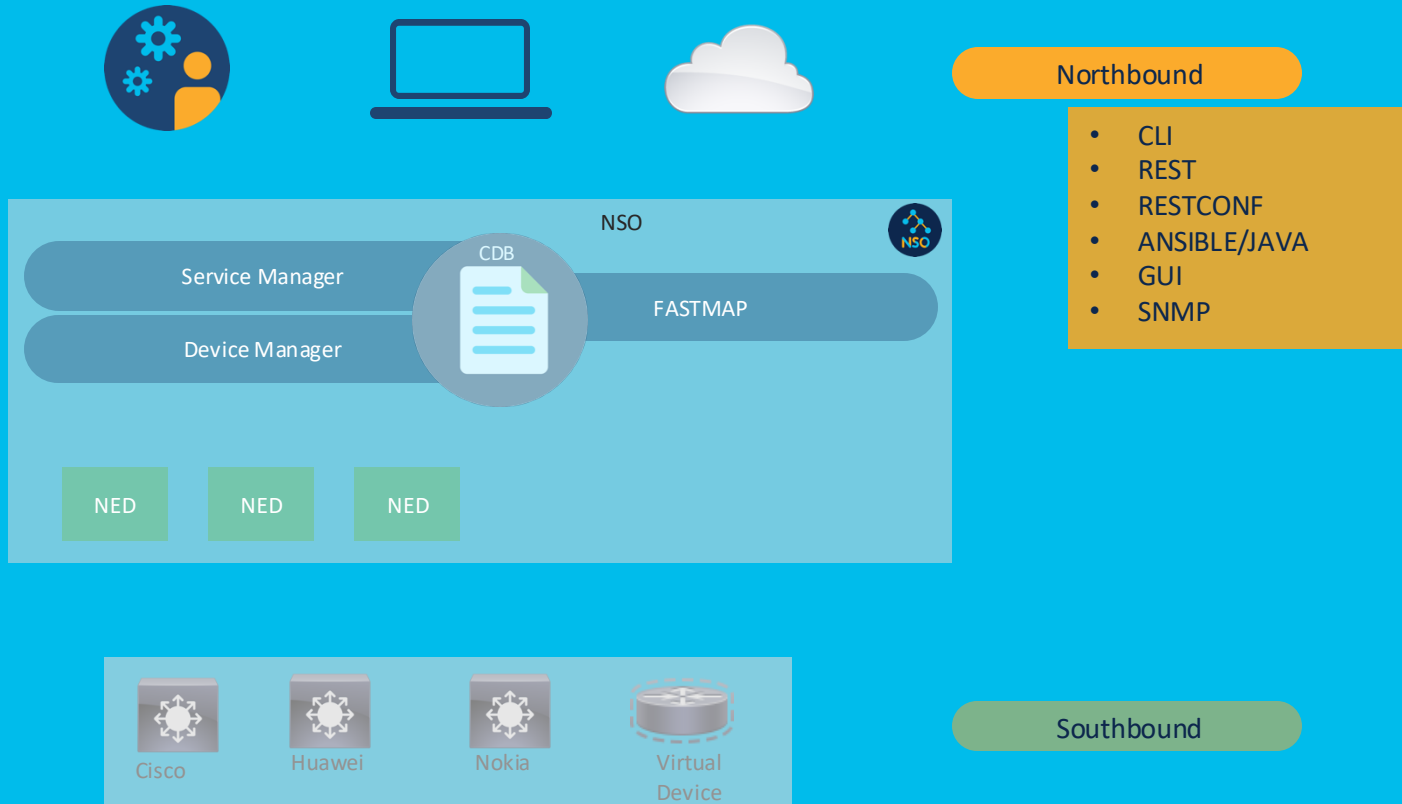
NSO Architecture



NSO High Level Architecture



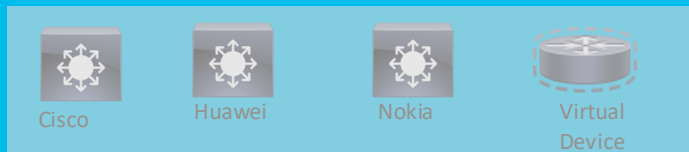
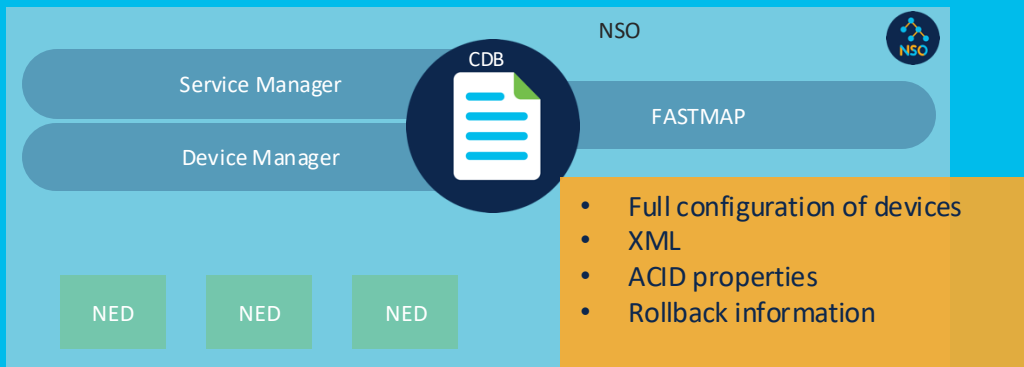
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Northbound

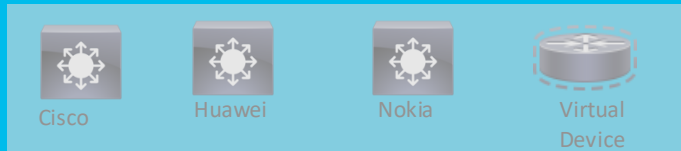
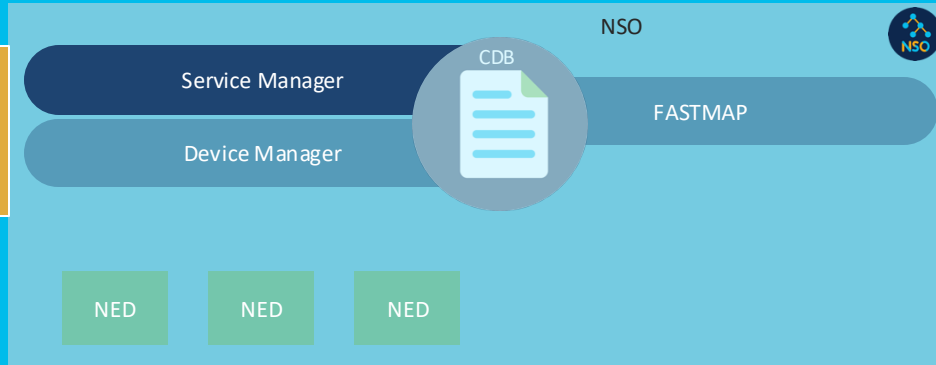


Southbound

NSO High Level Architecture



Northbound



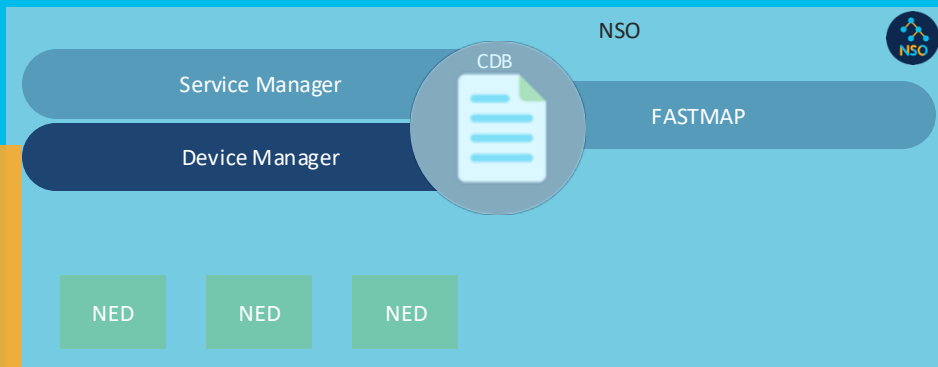
Southbound

- Service configuration
- Service YANG model
- Service synchronization with device configuration

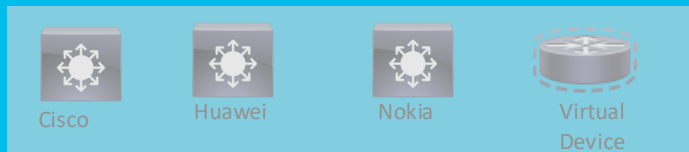
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Northbound



- List of all managed devices
- Device YANG model coming from NED
- Device full configuration
- Sync-from, sync-to

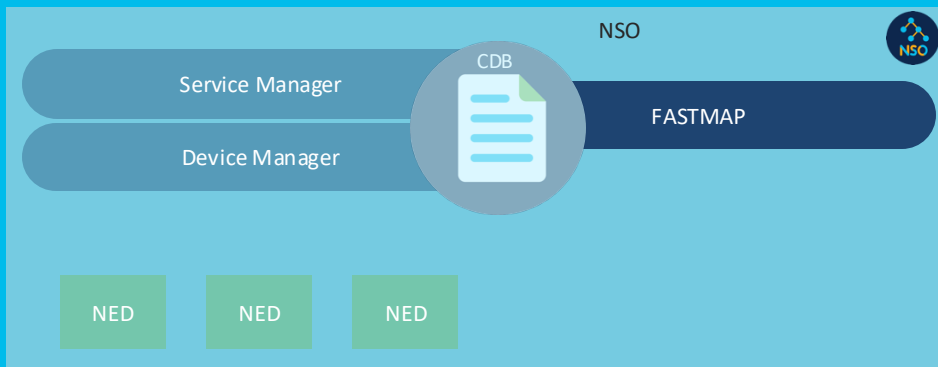


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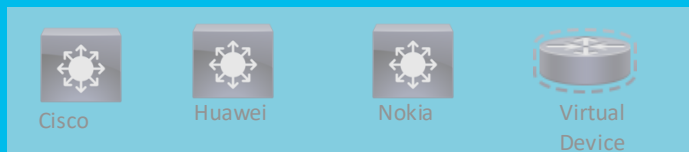
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Northbound



- Calculates minimum difference needed for configuration to happen
- Control and optimize the southbound configuration
- Create, modify, delete

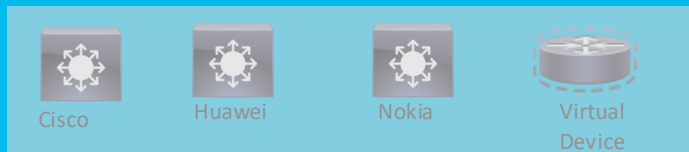
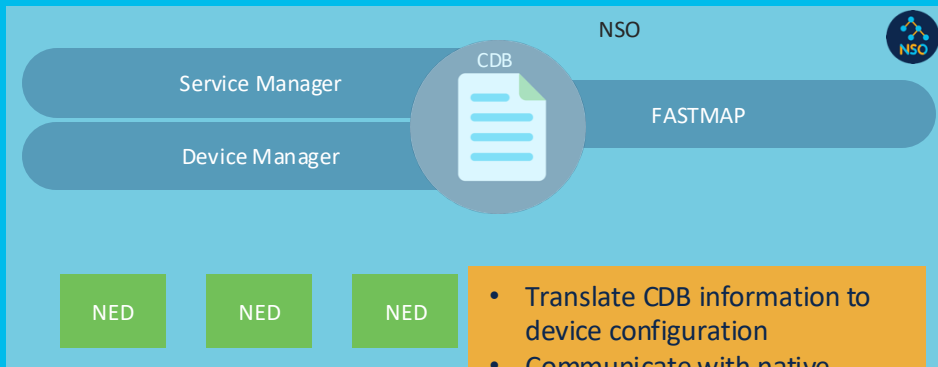


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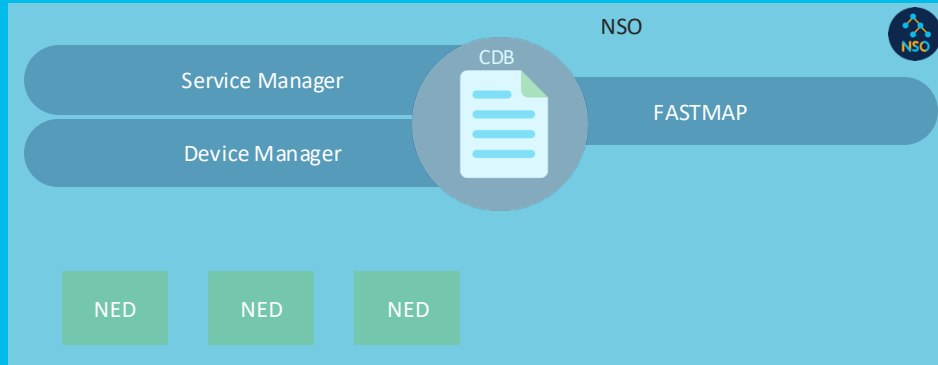


Southbound

NSO High Level Architecture



Northbound



Cisco



Huawei



Nokia



Virtual
Device

Southbound

- Multivendor devices
- Virtual devices
- VNF

What's an NSO service?

- A declarative method to abstract and automate a task you want to do repeatedly
- Customer facing and resource facing services
- Internally it maintains mapping between inputs (user intent) and outputs (infrastructure configurations)



YANG Model

Defines the service in high level terms



Logic

Python/Java collects info, does verification



Template

XML written
How the service is rendered on devices



Package meta data

Version requirements, components, dependencies

Design Creation

ACL Configuration

IOS	IOS-XR	Junos
<pre>ip access-list standard ACL_CLUS permit 172.16.0.0.0.255.255 deny 192.168.34.0.0.0.255</pre>	<pre>ipv4 access-list ACL_CLUS 10 permit 172.16.0.0.0.255.255 20 deny 192.168.34.0.0.0.255</pre>	<pre>[edit firewall family inet] filter ACL_CLUS { term 10 { from { source-address { 172.16.0.0/16; }} then { accept; }} term 20 { from { source-address { 192.168.34.0/24; }} then { reject; }} }</pre>

ACL Interface attachment

IOS	IOS-XR	Junos
<pre>interface GigabitEthernet 0/2 ip access-group ACL_CLUS in</pre>	<pre>interface GigabitEthernet 0/2 ipv4 access-group ACL_CLUS ingress</pre>	<pre>set interface xe-0/0/2 unit 0 family inet filter input filter-name ACL_CLUS</pre>

Parametrize

Parameter	IOS	IOS-XR	Junos
Interface	[int]	[int]	[int]
Direction	[in/out]	[ingress/e gress]	[input/out put]

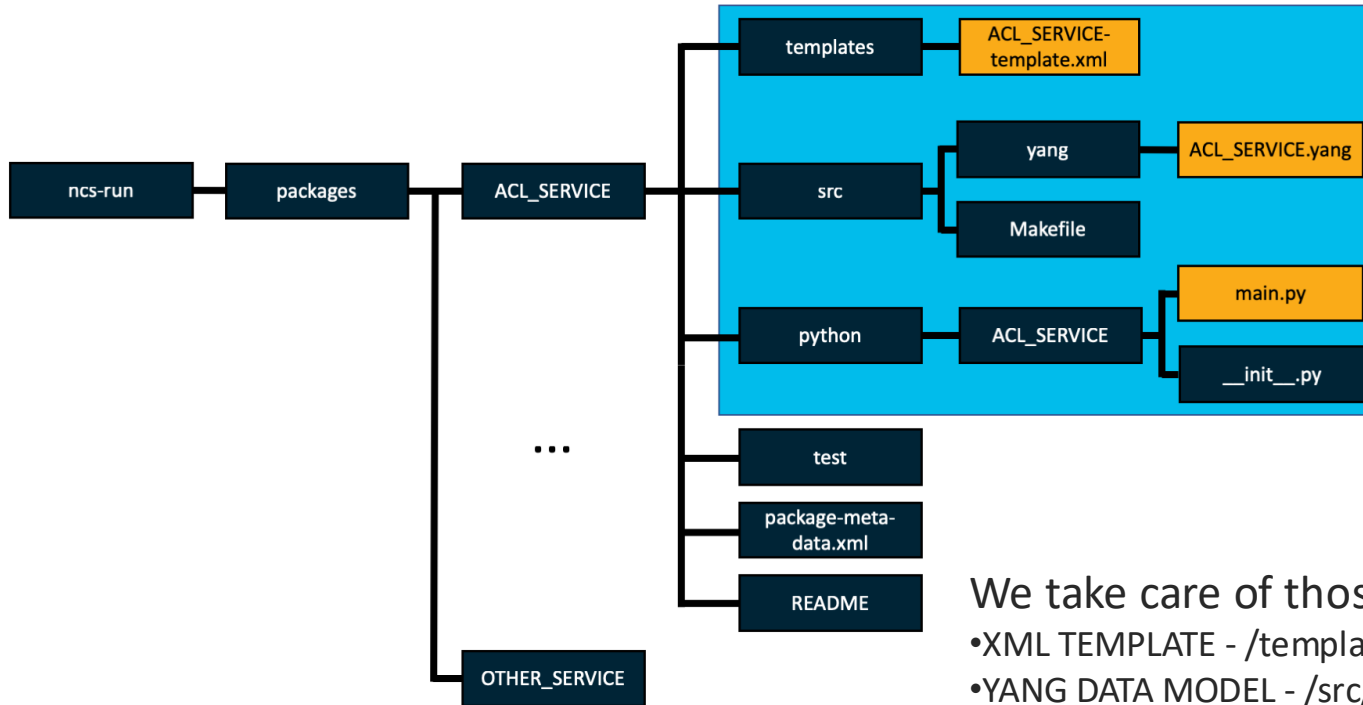
Design Creation

ACL_SERVICE [name] [device] interface [int] direction [in|out]

ACL_SERVICE test1 IOS0 interface 0/0 direction in

ACL_SERVICE test2 JUN0 interface xe-0/2/0 direction out

Service Creation



We take care of those 3 parts :

- XML TEMPLATE - /template/ACL_SERVICE-template.xml
- YANG DATA MODEL - /src/yang/ACL_SERVICE.yang
- PYTHON LOGIC (optional) - /python/ACL_SERVICE/main.py

Successfully delivered NSO usecases

Just a summary of what can we do with Cisco NSO

Data Center

- Multi-vendor DC Fabric automation
- PaaS Network Automation
- Zero Touch Provisioning
- NSO + ACI

Security

- Multi-vendor Rule management
- Anti-Spoofing automation
- DMZ: Secure Agile Exchange

Campus

- Multi-technology Layers1/2/3
- Remote worker automation
- Wireless
- SDN-WAN automation

Transport

- Layers 2/3 VPN automation
- Mobile Core automation
- IP + Optical automation
- Transport SDN

Access

- FTTH: OLT, DSLAM automation
- Subscriber automation, including Radius
- BNG, CMTS automation: IP pools

NFV

- Virtual functions instantiation
- Service chaining, across DC, Transport and network functions
- Management of Containers

Interacting with NSO.



Command Line Interface

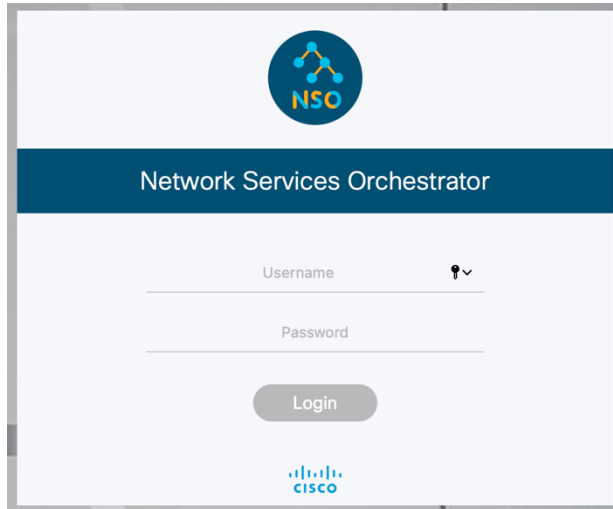


GUI

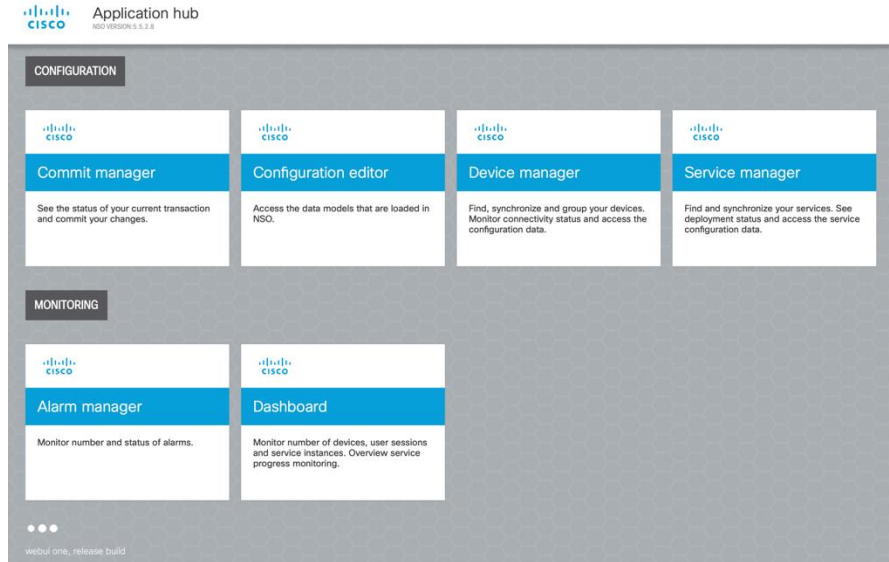
NSO GUI

- Disabled by default, can be enabled from ncs.conf for system install
- Plain HTTP version runs by default on port 8080, HTTPS on 8888
- Certs used by the HTTPS version are also defined in ncs.conf.
- Allows you to configure NSO, devices and services but also to monitor the current status.
- RBAC allows you to disable some functions to some users.

NSO GUI Login and Home page



The login page features the NSO logo at the top center, which consists of a blue circle with three orange nodes connected by lines. Below the logo is a dark blue horizontal bar with the text "Network Services Orchestrator" in white. Underneath this bar are two input fields: "Username" with a small eye icon to its right, and "Password". A blue "Login" button is positioned below the password field. At the bottom center of the page is the Cisco logo.



The home page is titled "Application hub" with "NSO VERSION 3.3.2.8" below it. It is divided into two main sections: "CONFIGURATION" and "MONITORING".

CONFIGURATION

- Commit manager**: See the status of your current transaction and commit your changes.
- Configuration editor**: Access the data models that are loaded in NSO.
- Device manager**: Find, synchronize and group your devices. Monitor connectivity status and access the configuration data.
- Service manager**: Find and synchronize your services. See deployment status and access the service configuration data.

MONITORING

- Alarm manager**: Monitor number and status of alarms.
- Dashboard**: Monitor number of devices, user sessions and service instances. Overview service progress monitoring.

At the bottom left, there are three dots and the text "webui one, release build".

NSO GUI Device and Service manager



Device manager
NSO VERSION: 5.5.2.8



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<input type="checkbox"/>	name	address	port	type	services	ping	connect	check-sync	sync-from	sync-to	compare-config	alarm	configuration
<input type="checkbox"/>	huawei-0	172.3.27.3	10026	huawei-vrp-cli-6.24:huawei-vrp-cli-6.24	0	ping	connect	check-sync	sync-from	sync-to	compare-config		configuration
<input type="checkbox"/>	huawei-1	172.3.27.3	10027	huawei-vrp-cli-6.24:huawei-vrp-cli-6.24	0	ping	connect	check-sync	sync-from	sync-to	compare-config		configuration
<input type="checkbox"/>	ios-0	172.3.27.3	10022	cisco-ios-cli-6.74:cisco-ios-cli-6.74	0	ping	connect	check-sync	sync-from	sync-to	compare-config		configuration
<input type="checkbox"/>	ios-1	172.3.27.3	10023	cisco-ios-cli-6.74:cisco-ios-cli-6.74	0	ping	connect	check-sync	sync-from	sync-to	compare-config		configuration
<input type="checkbox"/>	junos-0	172.3.27.3	12024	juniper-junos-nc-4.6...juniper-junos-nc-4.6	0	ping	connect	check-sync	sync-from	sync-to	compare-config		configuration
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Service manager
NSO VERSION: 5.5.2.8



/Swisscom-Loopback:Swisscom ☰ + - ☰ 1 / 1 Search filter

services in /Swisscom-Loopback:Swisscom-Loopback

<input type="checkbox"/>	name	devices	check-sync	re-deploy	re-deploy dry-run
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	S-los-1	1 ▲	check-sync	re-deploy	re-deploy dry-run

Devices
ios-0

NSO GUI Configuration editor



Configuration editor
NSO VERSION:5.5.2.8

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PACKAGES

Reload

Reload completed at 2021-09-10 14:08:29

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cisco-ios-cli-6.74	v6.74.8	tailf-hcc	v4.6.0
huawei-vrp-cli-6.24	v6.24.4		

MODULES

Swisscom-Loopback:Swisscom-Loopback	last:last-logins	ncs:high-availability	ncs:smart-license	snmp:snmp
aaa:aaa	nacm:nacm	ncs:java-vm	ncs:snmp-notification-receiver	tftp:policy
aaa:alias	ncm:netconf-state	ncs:packages	ncs:software	tnm:ncs-state
aaa:session	ncs:cluster	ncs:python-vm	ncs:ssh	tls:tls
aaa:user	ncs:compliance	ncs:service-progress-monitoring	ncs:zombies	webui:webui
al:alarms	ncs:customers	ncs:services	rcmon:restconf-state	
hcc:ha	ncs:devices	ncs:side-effect-queue	scheduler:scheduler	

NSO GUI Commit manager



Commit manager
NSO VERSION: 5.5.2.2.E



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Current transaction is EMPTY

Revert

Load/Save

Commit

changes

errors

warnings

config

native config

commit queue

```
1 devices {
2   device ios-0 {
3     config {
4       interface {
5         Loopback 2 {
6           ip {
7             address {
8               primary {
9                 address 5.5.5.5;
10                mask 255.255.255.0;
11              }
12            }
13          }
14        }
15      }
16    }
17  }
18 }
19 Swisscom-Loopback S-Ios-1 {
20   device [ ios-0 ];
21   IP 5.5.5.5;
22 }
23
24
```

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devices {
  device ios-0 {
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                mask 255.255.255.0;
              }
            }
          }
        }
      }
    }
  }
}
Swisscom-Loopback S-Ios-1 {
  device [ ios-0 ];
  IP 5.5.5.6;
}
```


Questions?

