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Network Operational Simplicity with Zero Touch Deployment

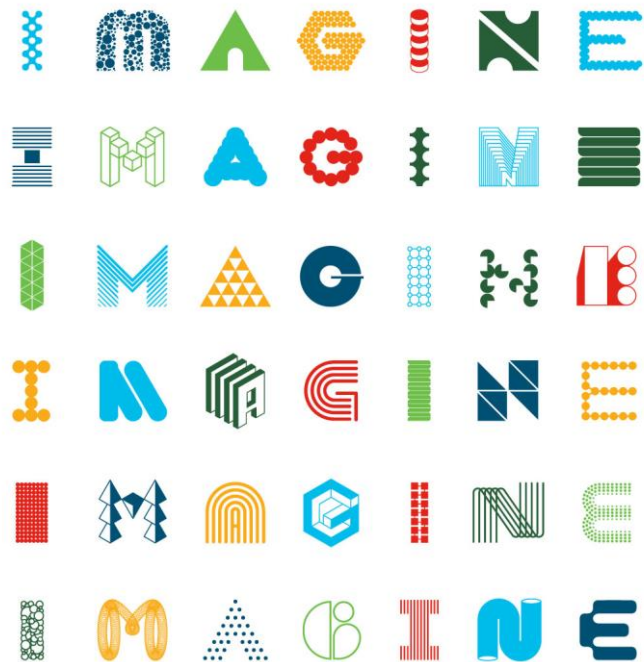
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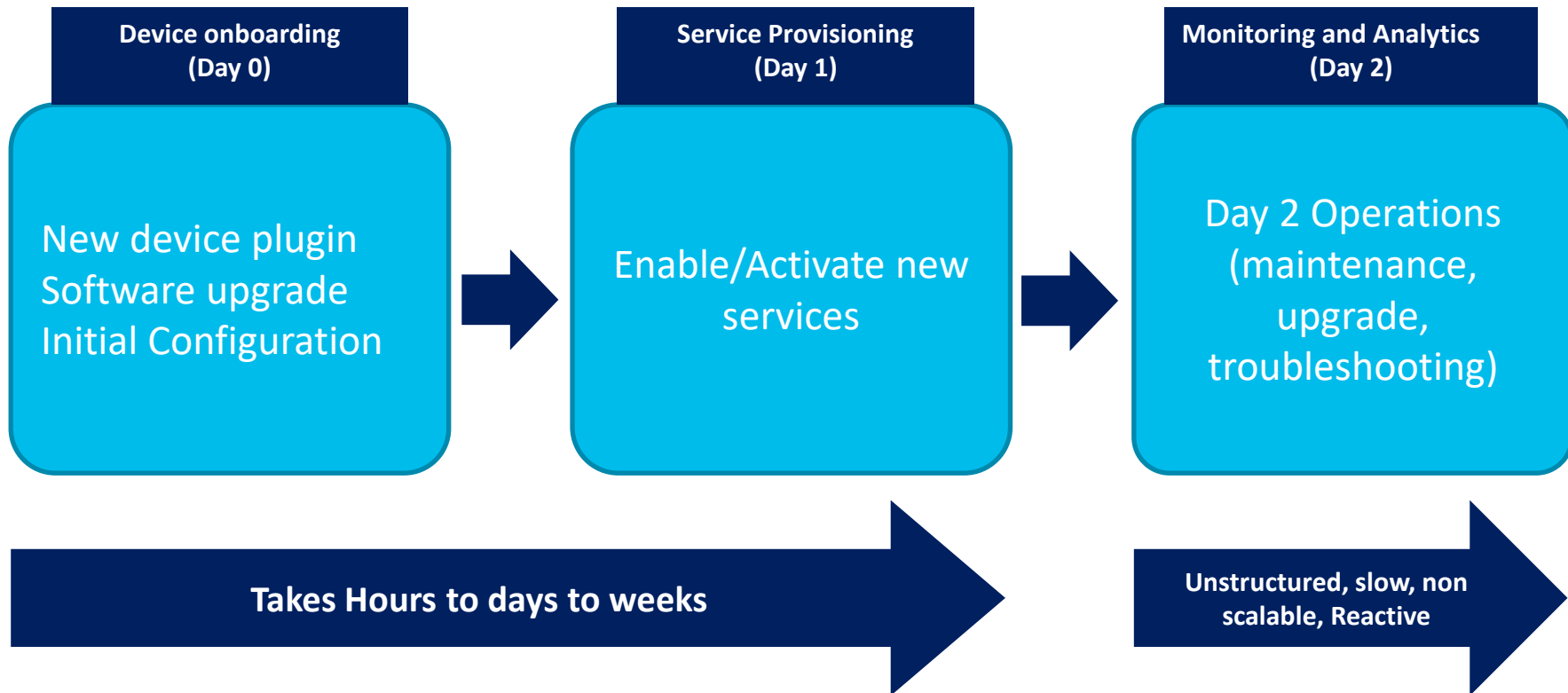
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Agenda

- What is Zero Touch Deployment (ZTD)
- ZTD Deployment Scenarios
- Solution Components
- Step by Step Flow
- Use Cases

Introduction

Life of a Device - Yesterday

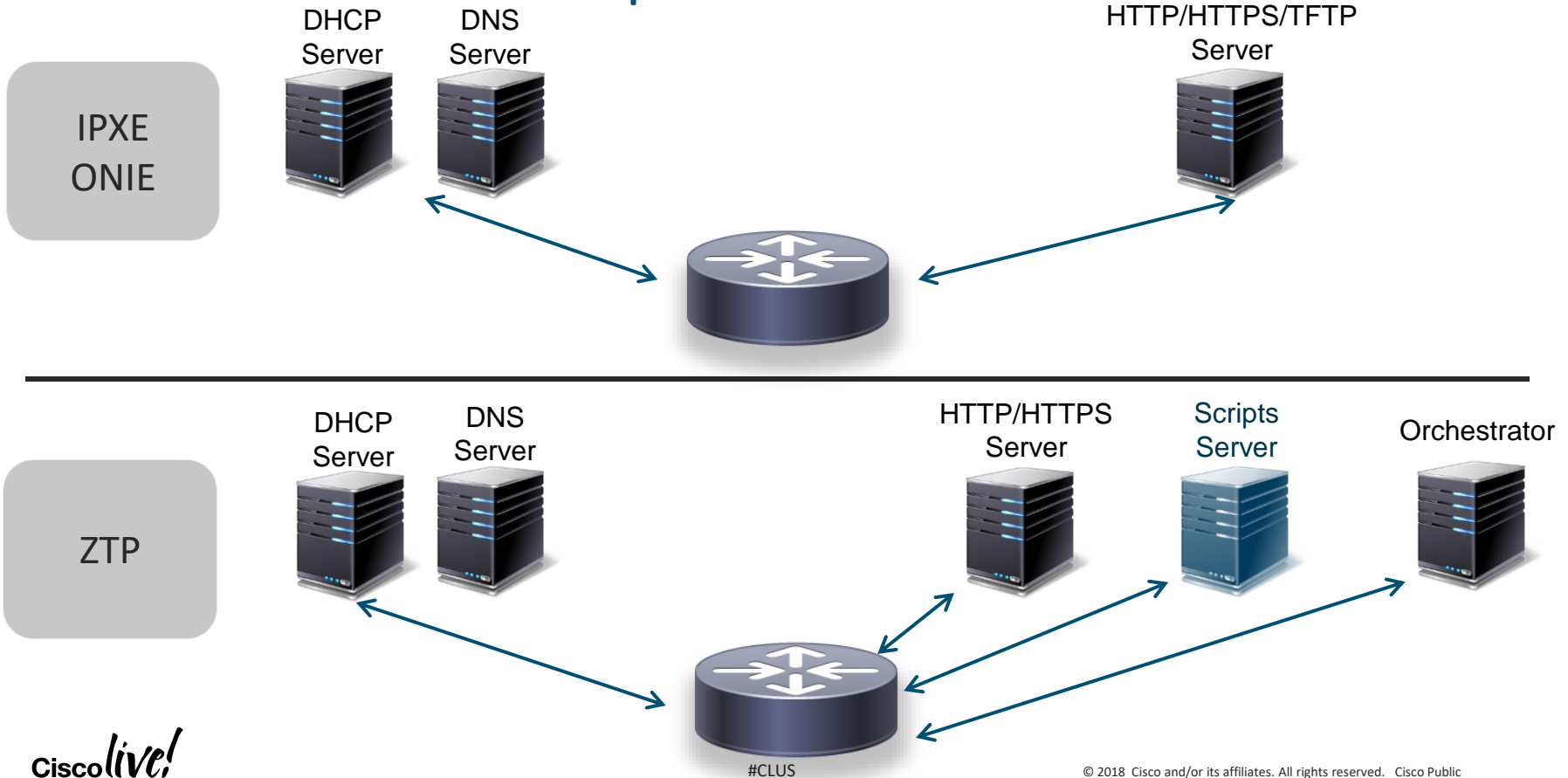


Modernizing the Life of a Device

| | Device Onboarding (Day 0) | Service Provisioning (Day 1) | Monitoring & Analytics (Day 2) |
|-----------|---|--|---|
| Yesterday | Manual, Lengthy, Skilled Worker, Costly Device Bring-up | High Maintenance, Inflexible, Custom Scripts for Service Bring-up | Unstructured, Non scalable, Pull Mechanism, Non Machine Readable Format |
| Today | Orders of Magnitude Quicker, Automated Device Bring-up | Automation Friendly, Flexible, Predictable, Vendor Neutral Model Driven Service Bring-up | Push mechanism, consistent, machine readable, high performance, real time |

ZTD Components

ZTD Architectural Components



Boot Process - iPXE

#!iPXE



- iPXE is an open source boot firmware.
- Provides an environment for installing any NOS
- iPXE is supported on the management interfaces (IPv4 and IPv6)
- Fully backward compatible with PXE with several enhancements.
 - Boot from a web server via HTTP
 - Boot from locally attached storage, (USB memory stick)
 - Control the boot process with scripts and menus.
 - DNS support.

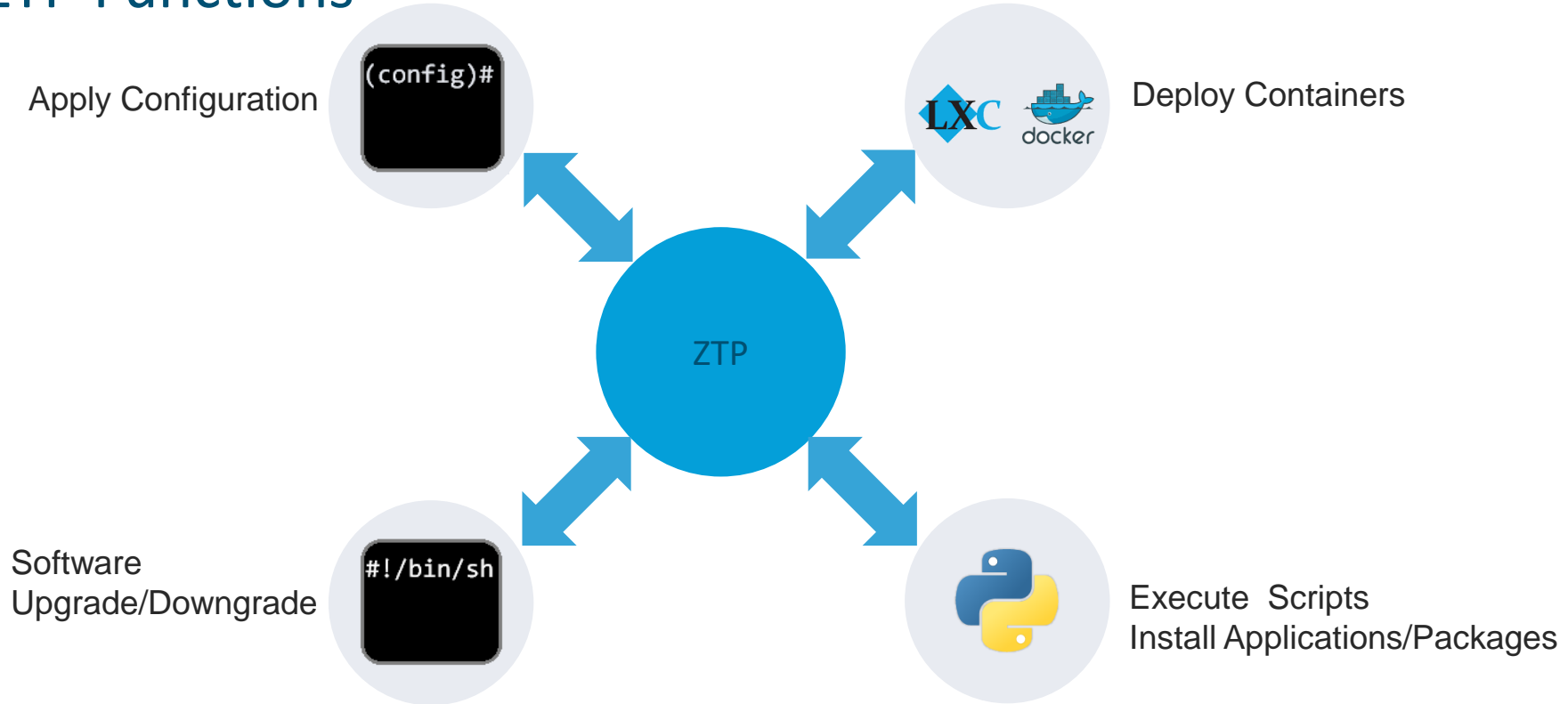
Boot Process - ONIE



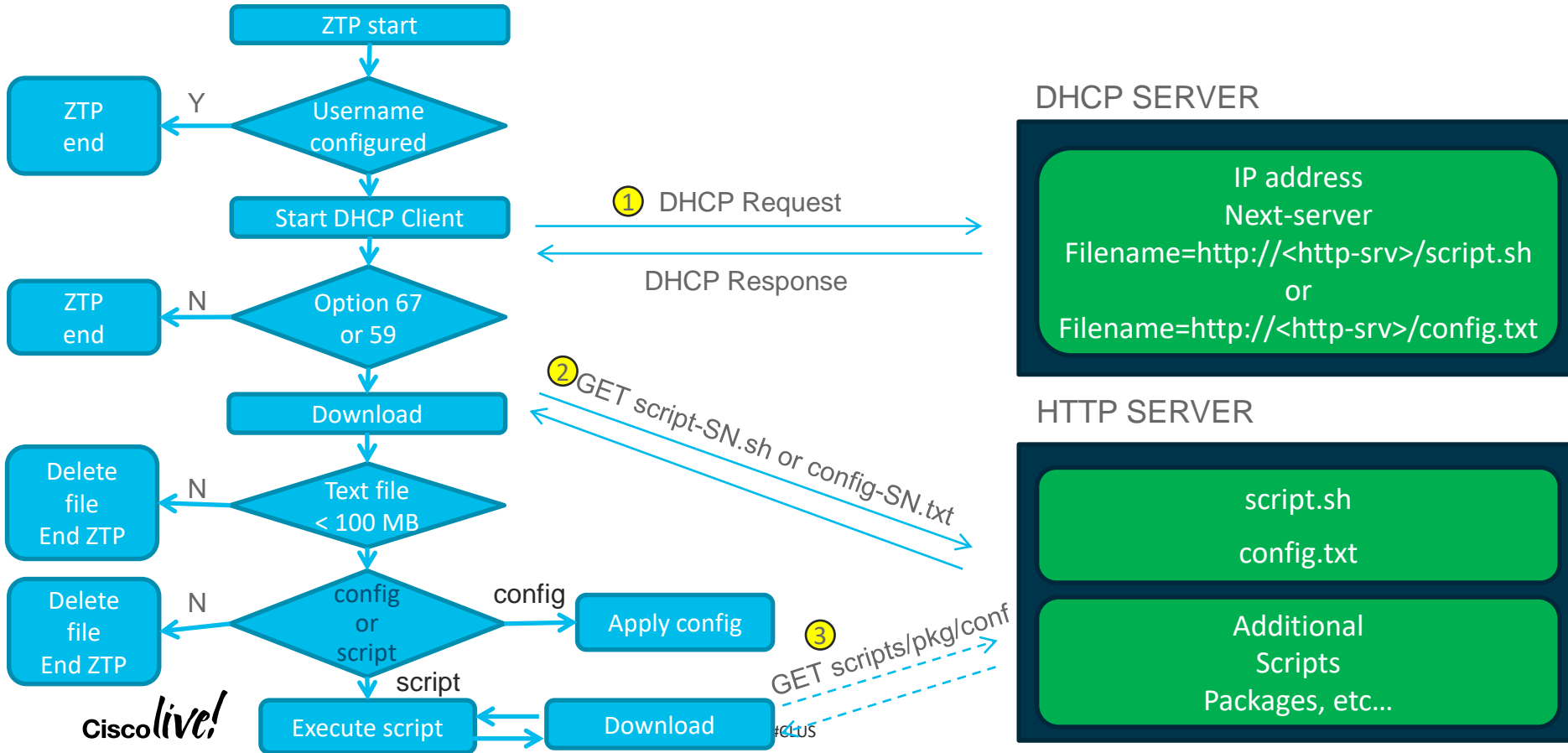
- ONIE is a small operating system, pre-installed on bare metal network switches, that provides an environment for automated provisioning.
- Combines a boot loader with a Linux kernel and BusyBox.
- Provides an environment for installing any NOS.
- Supported on the management interfaces (IPv4 and IPv6).
- Aggressive Image discovery
 - Statically configured from the boot loader
 - Locally attached storage, (USB memory stick)
 - Bootfilename from DHCPv4 / DHCPv6
 - IPv4 / IPv6 link local neighbors
 - mDNS / DNS-SD
 - PXE-like TFTP and HTTP waterfalls

ZTP

ZTP Functions



ZTP Flow of Operations



ZTD via NETCONF/YANG

ZTP Requirements

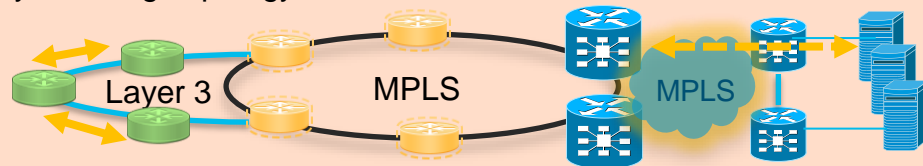
Baseline requirements across deployment scenarios

- No pre-staging required
- DHCP for management IP address
- Configuration download
- Image upgrade/downgrade
- Docker/LXC install
- Connection to the NMS

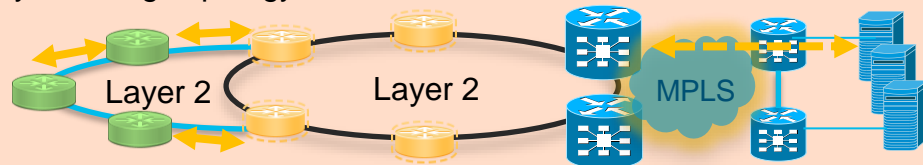
Baseline requirement for “in-band management” deployment scenario

- Auto L3 adjacency configuration in any topology
- L2 VLAN auto-discovery

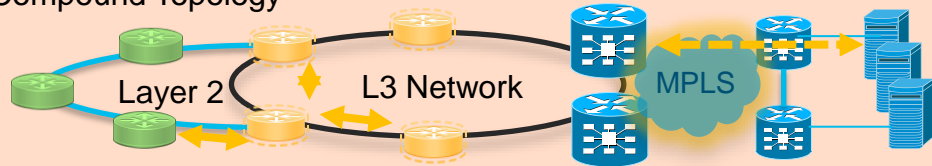
Layer 3 Ring Topology



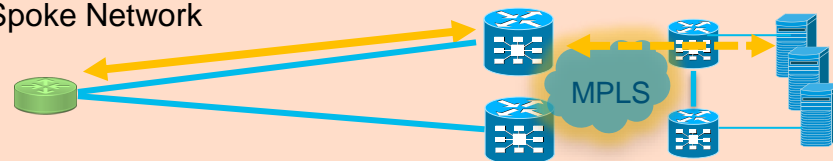
Layer 2 Ring Topology



Compound Topology

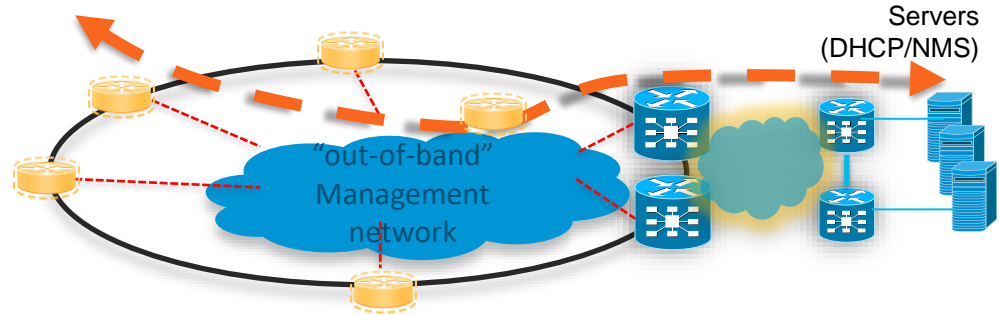


Hub & Spoke Network

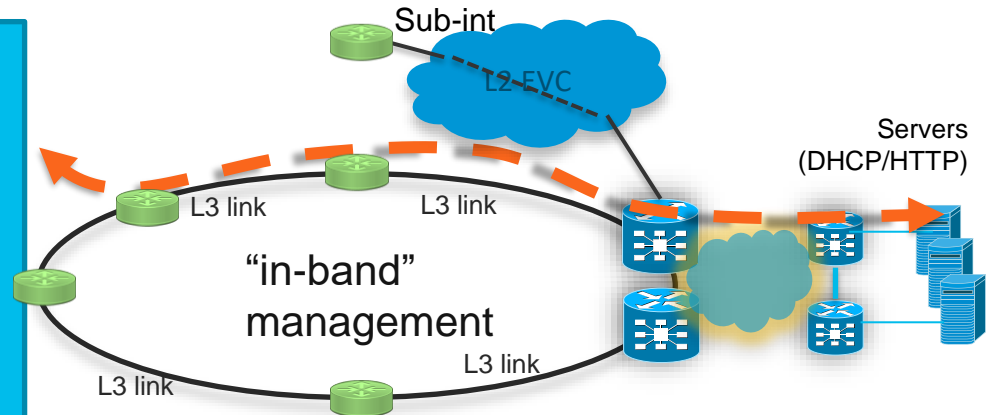


ZTP – Two Different Deployment Scenarios

- 1
 - Routers are connected to a management network via out-of-band management port
 - Popular in Data Center, Enterprise, and Web customers



- 2
 - There is no dedicated management network.
 - Routers are managed via in-band, the same as user data network
 - Typical deployment in the SP Access/Metro



Option 1: Provisioning from the DHCP Server

1

Device boot up and initiate a **DHCP Discover**

DHCP server provides a script using "bootfilename" (option 67)

2

Upon commit DHCP server:

Registers device to Orchestrator using REST
Asks Orchestrator to retrieve RSA keys from device

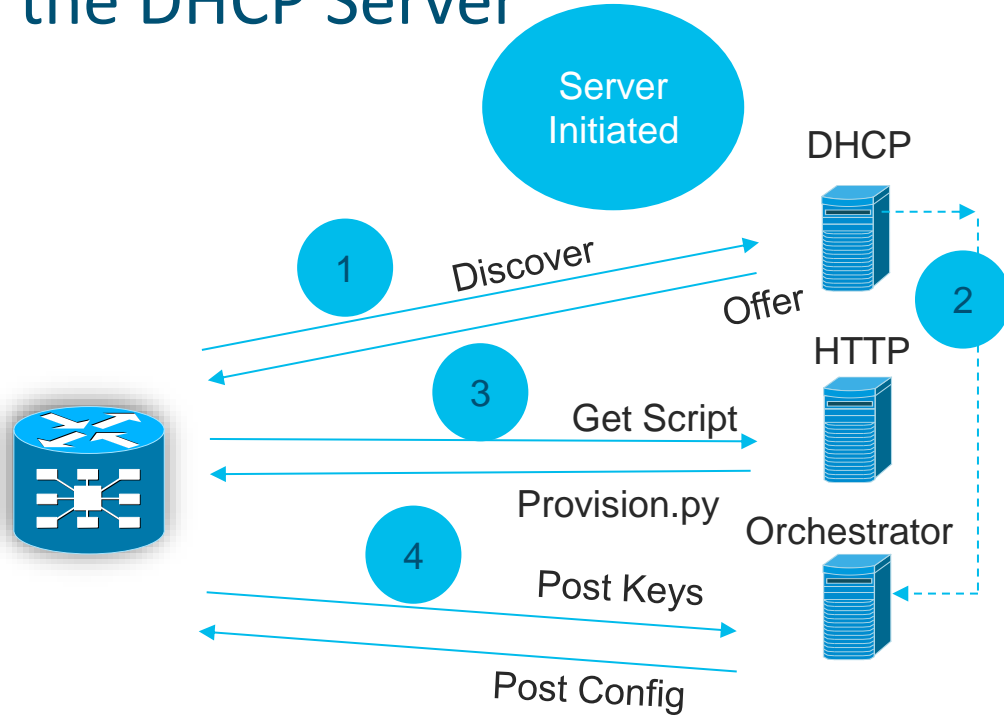
3

Device Downloads scripts from HTTP server.

Scripts is executed on the device.

4

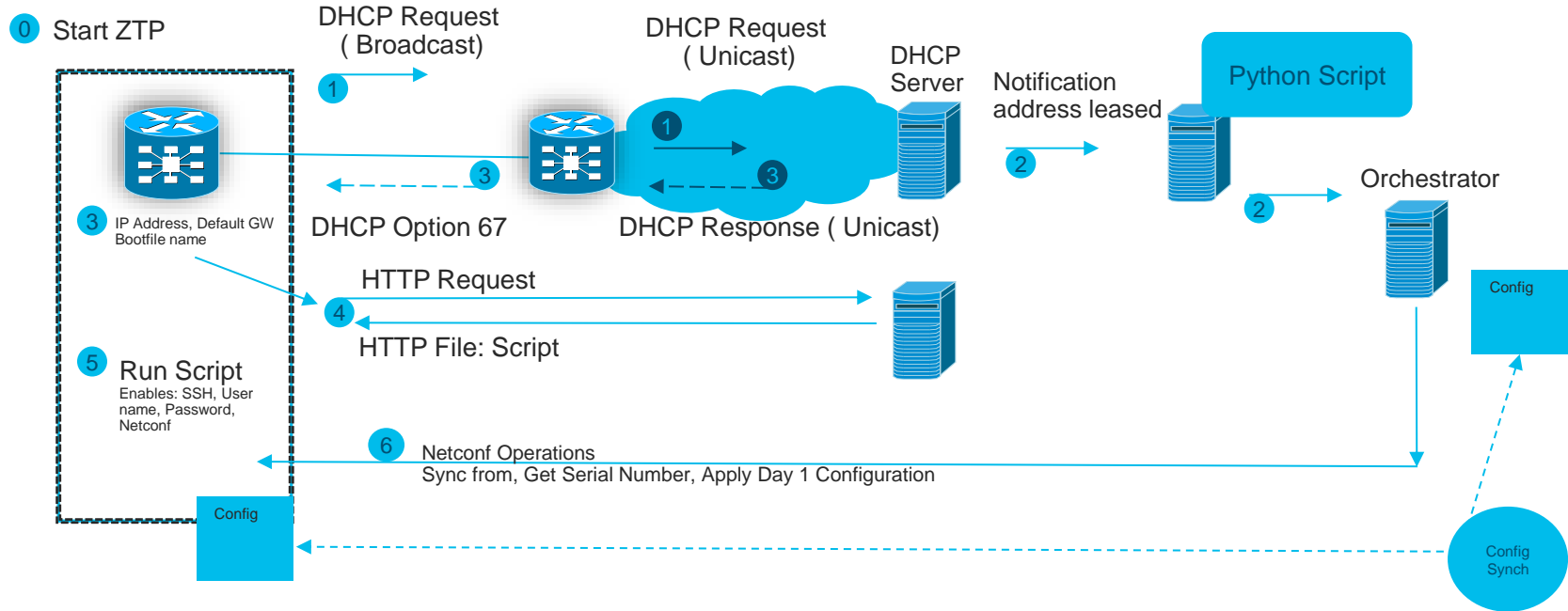
Once registered, the script perform a sync from the Orchestrator server



Option 1: Server Initiated

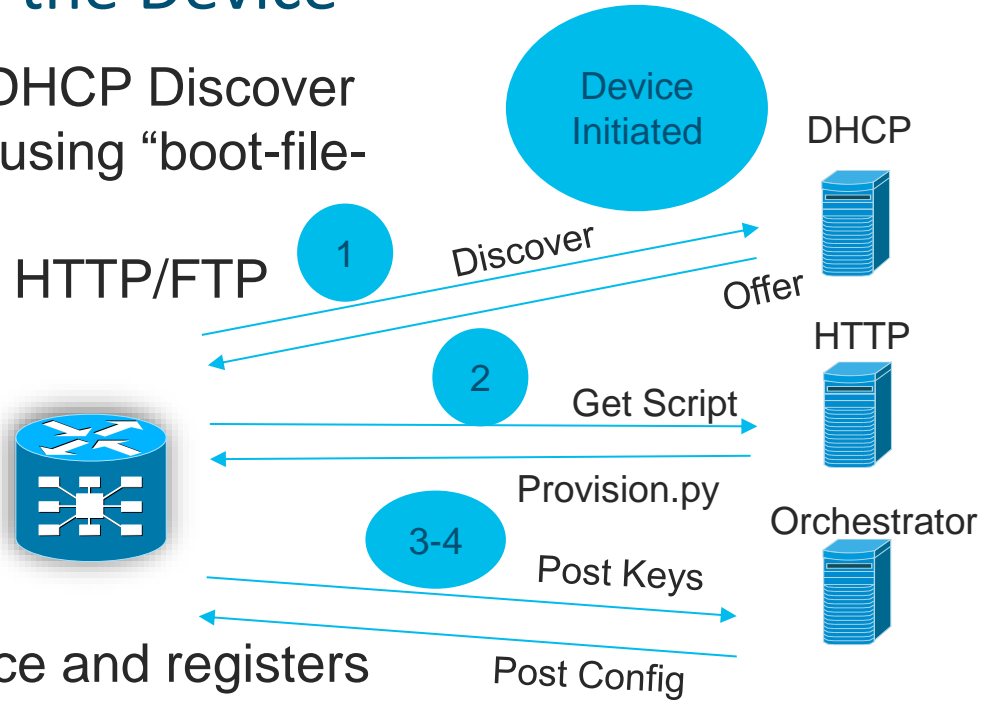
When Device do not run any Script or Compute

Server
Initiated



Option 2: Provisioning from the Device

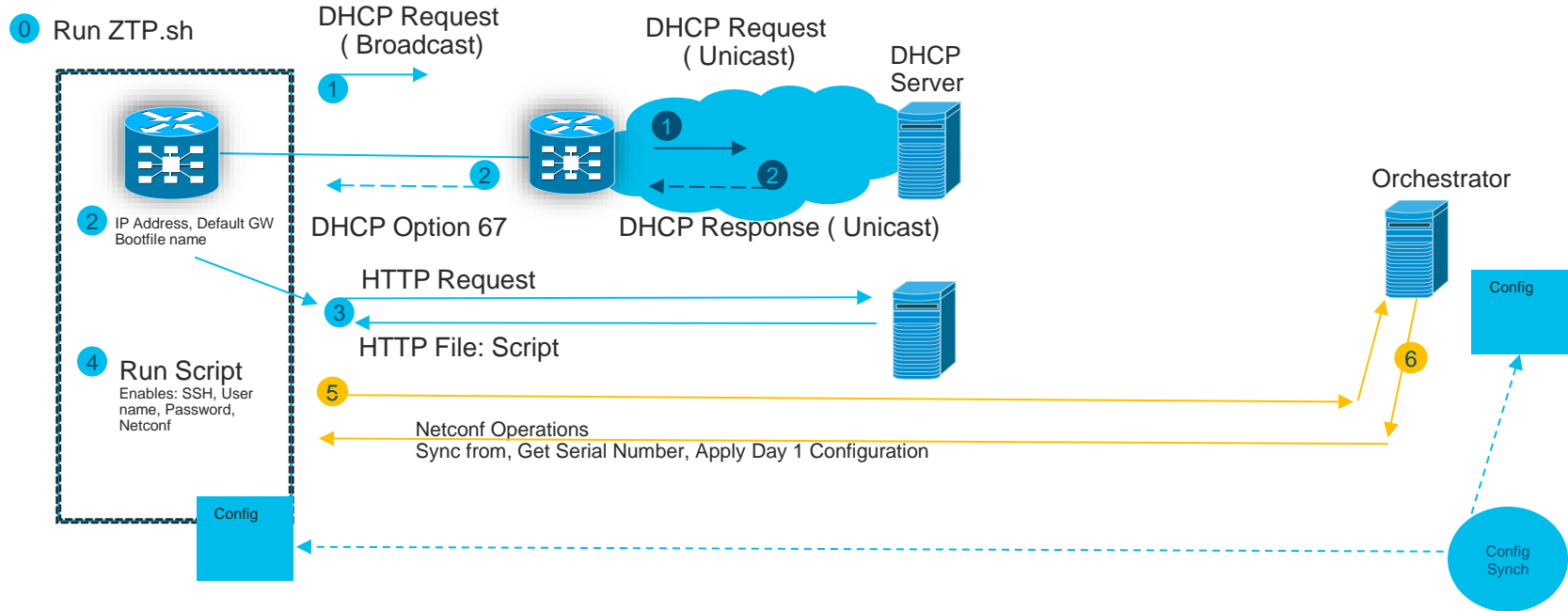
- 1 Device boot up and initiates a DHCP Discover
DHCP server provides a script using “boot-file-name” (option 67)
- 2 Device Downloads scripts from HTTP/FTP server
- 3 Scripts is executed on the device and registers to Orchestrator using REST/RESTCONF API
- 4 Once registered, the script perform a sync from the Orchestrator server



Option 2: Device Initiated

When Device runs Script or Compute

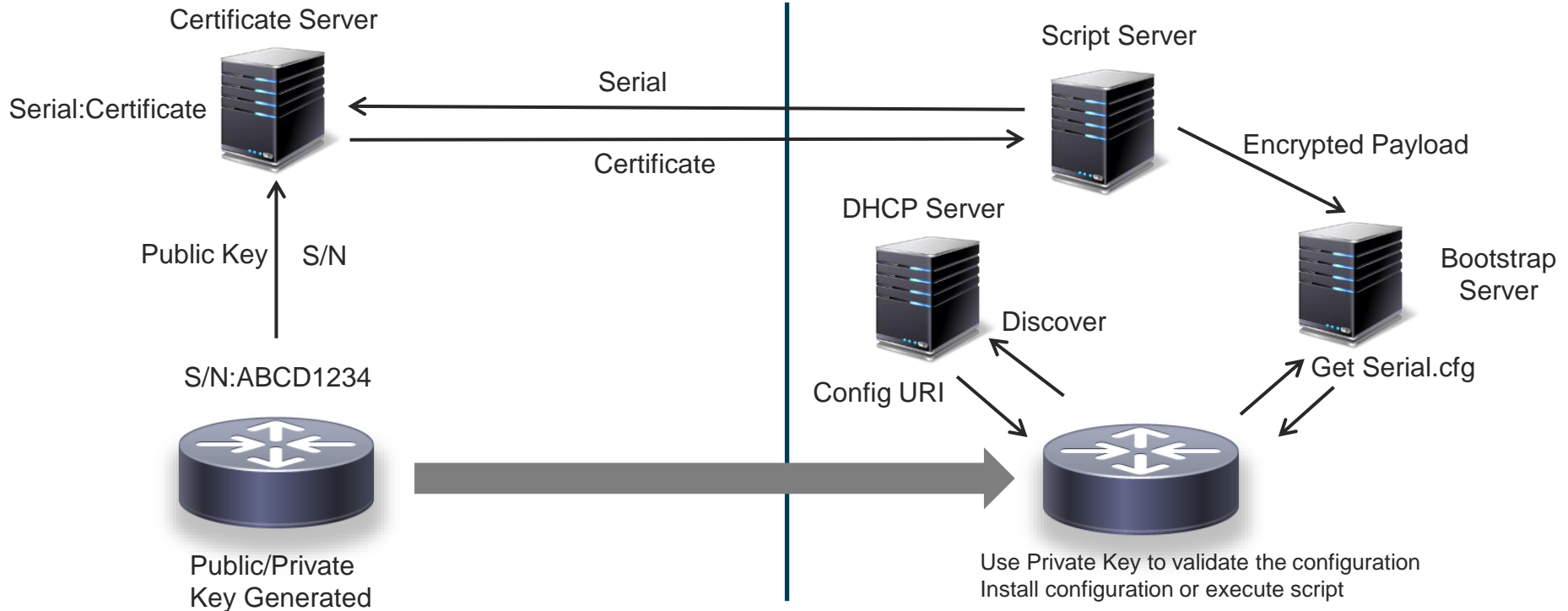
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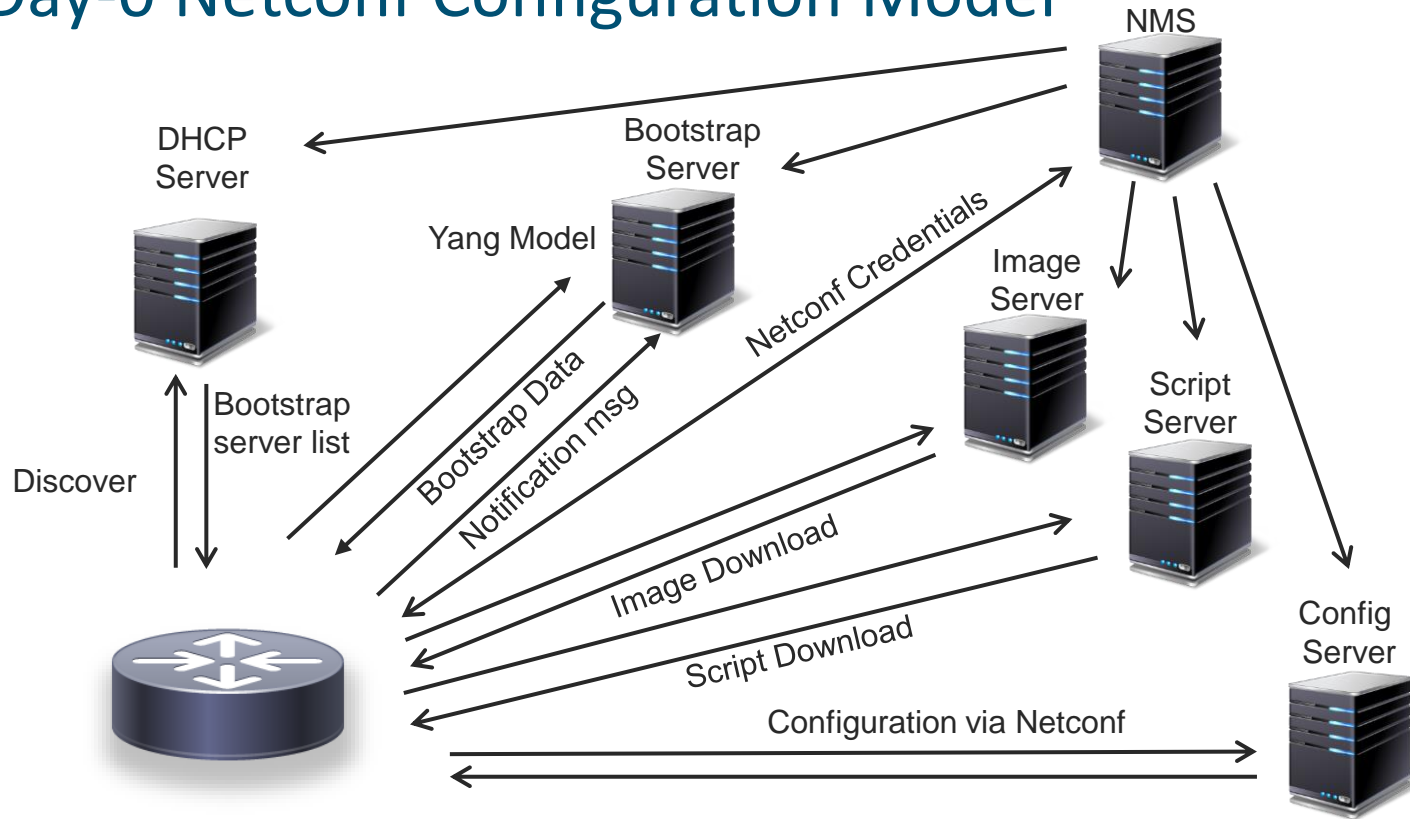
Enhancements

Simple Security

Vendor



Day-0 Netconf Configuration Model



Day-0 Bootstrap Data using Yang Model

yang-data zerotouch-information:

+---- (information-type)

+--:(onboarding-information)

+---- onboarding-information

+---- boot-image

| +---- os-name string

| +---- os-version string

| +---- download-uri* inet:uri

| +---- image-verification* [hash-algorithm]

| +---- hash-algorithm identityref

| +---- hash-value? yang:hex-string

+---- configuration-handling? enumeration

+---- pre-configuration-script? script

+---- configuration? <anydata>

+---- post-configuration-script? script

Name of the NOS required

Released version of NOS required

List of URIs providing bootstrapping data

e.g.: merge, replace

Agnostic of programming language

Executed before configuration is applied

Exit 0 : success

Exit > 0 : Soft error -> proceed

Exit < 0 : Hard error -> reset

Any model supported by the device

Agnostic of programming language

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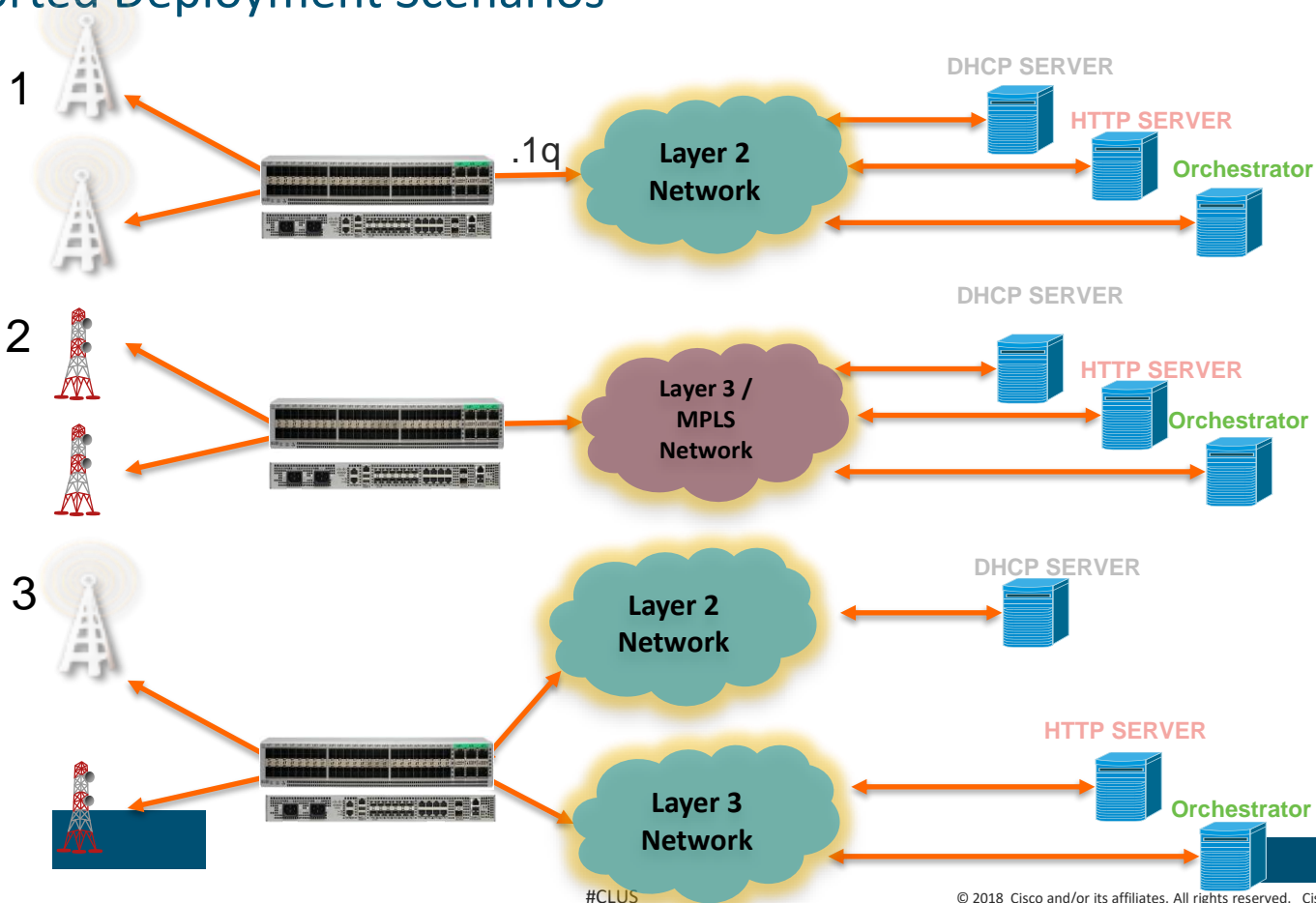
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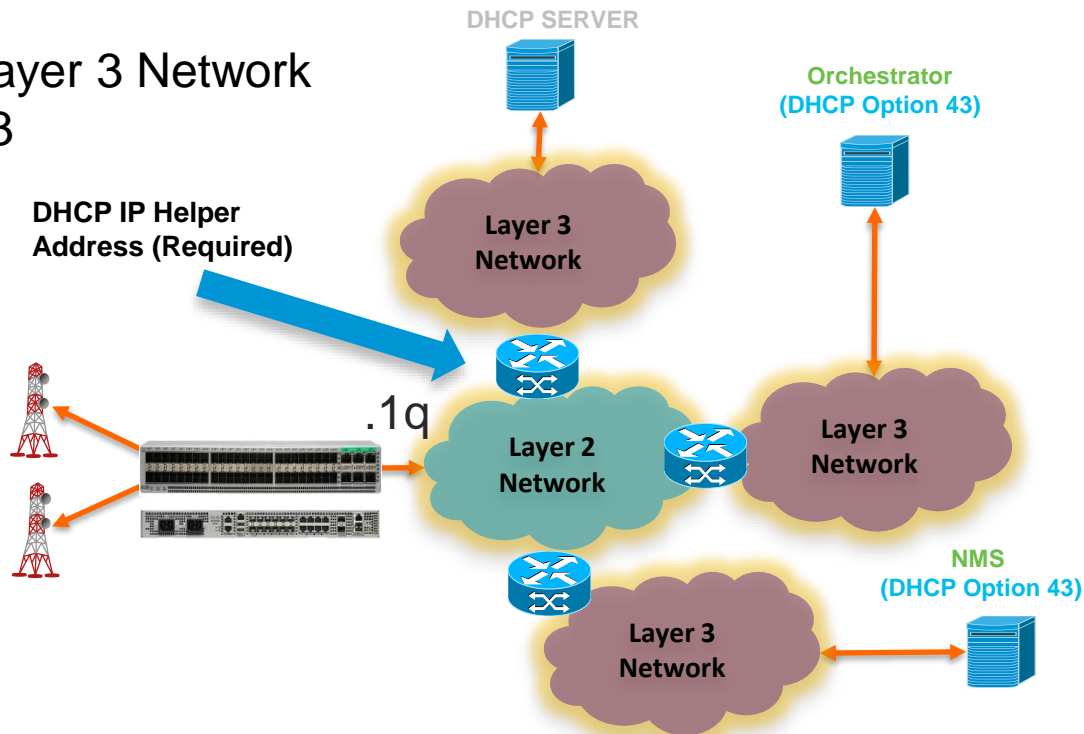
ZTD Use cases

ZTP Supported Deployment Scenarios



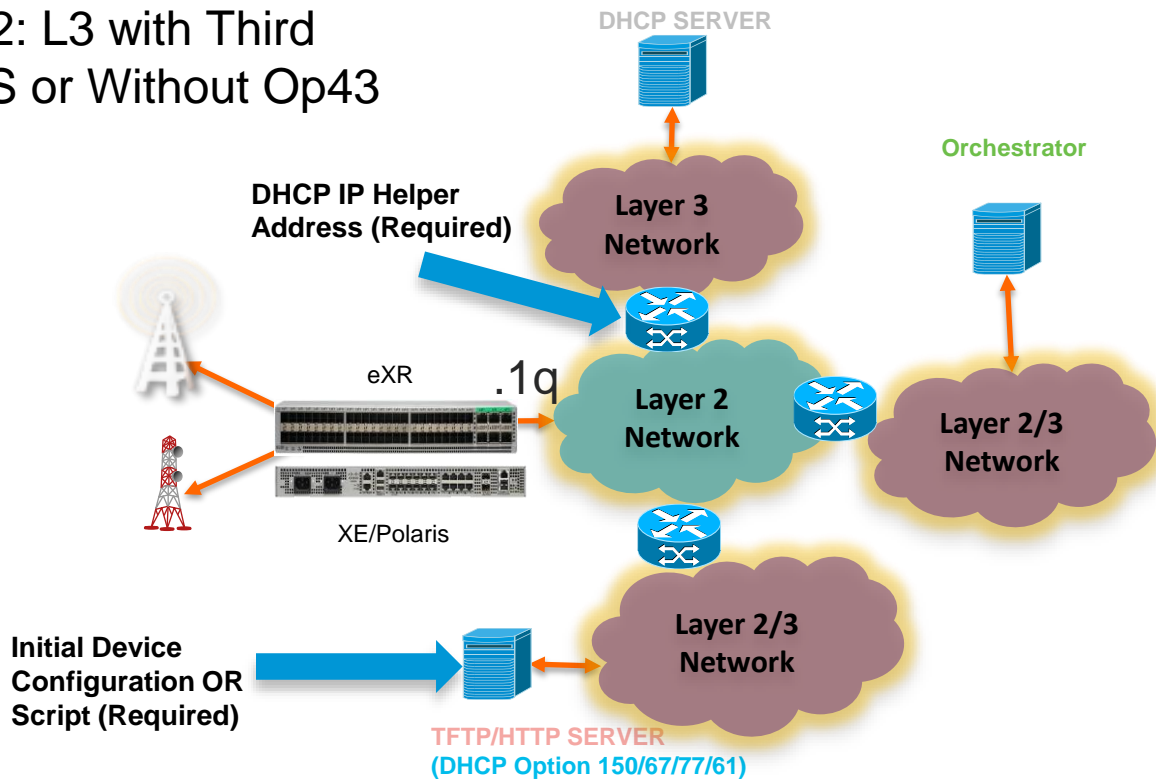
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Scenario 2: Layer 3 Network with Option 43



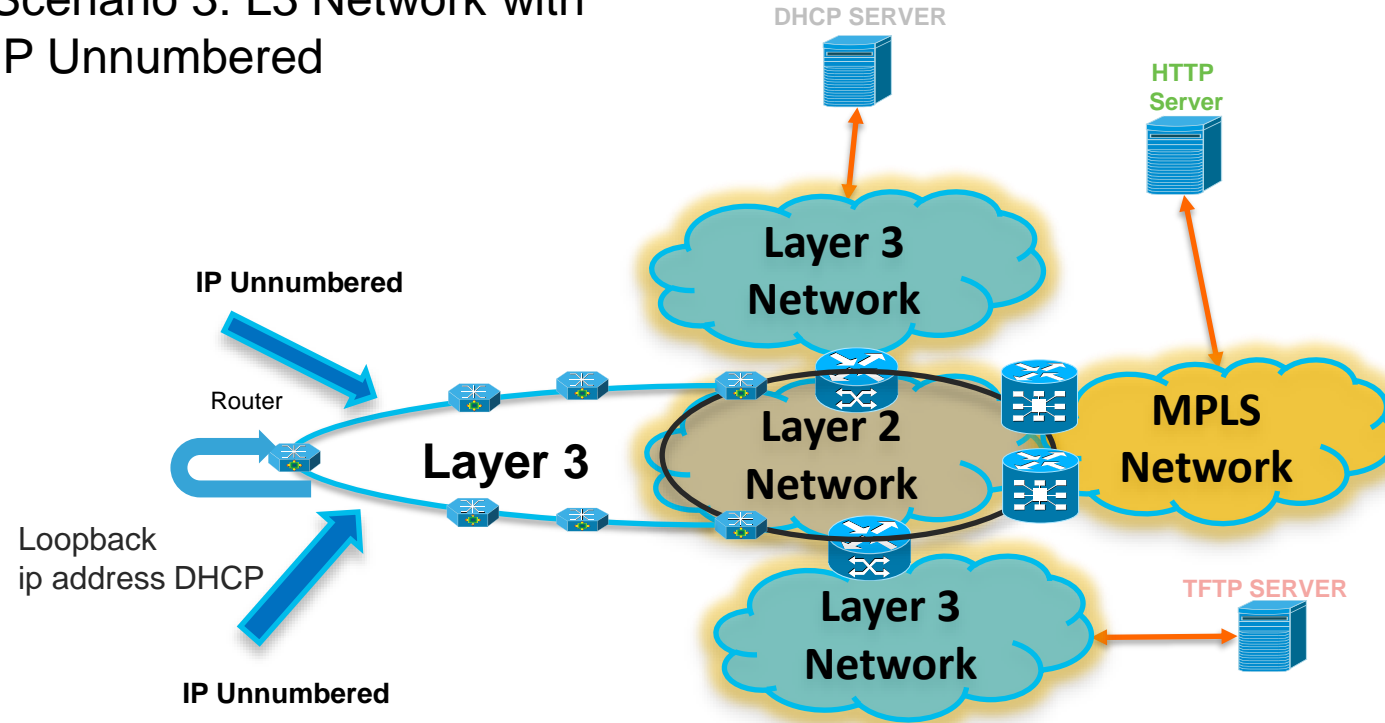
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Scenario 2: L3 with Third Party NMS or Without Op43



ZTP Supported Deployment Scenarios

Scenario 3: L3 Network with IP Unnumbered



Deployment Usecase

Tier 1 SP

ZTD Case Study

Tier 1 Service Provider

Project Details and Objectives

- Cell Site Router Deployment/Migration
- Approx 3000 Cell sites in Phase 1
- ASR-920 as Cell Site Router
- Cisco NSO as the Orchestrator
- Zero Touch Provisioning goals:
 - Reduce Cost
 - Minimize errors
 - Adopt automation as normal operating procedure

Network Topology

ZTD Components

ZTD Workflow

Challenges and Solutions

Summary

- Parallel process, multiple system can be configured at the same time.
- Dramatically reduce deployment time
- Reduce the chance of configuration errors.
- Tutorials, Blogs, Examples
 - <https://xrdocs.github.io/software-management/>
 - <https://github.com/ios-xr/iosxr-ztp-python>
 - Network Field Day 17:
 - <https://vimeo.com/253197077>
 - <https://vimeo.com/253197037>
 - <https://github.com/akshshar/nfd17>



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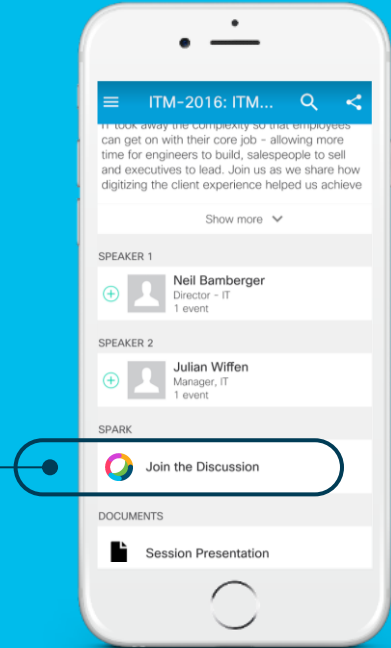
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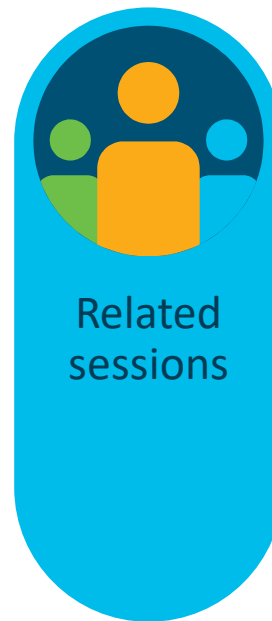
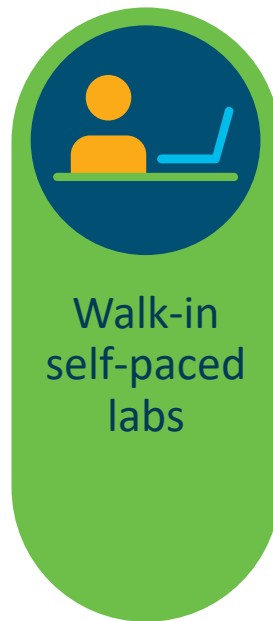
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