Evolution of the Network Function

Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow

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The Promise of NFV

Automate the deployment and management of complex network services and put them in market faster and cheaper than before

The Journey to NFV

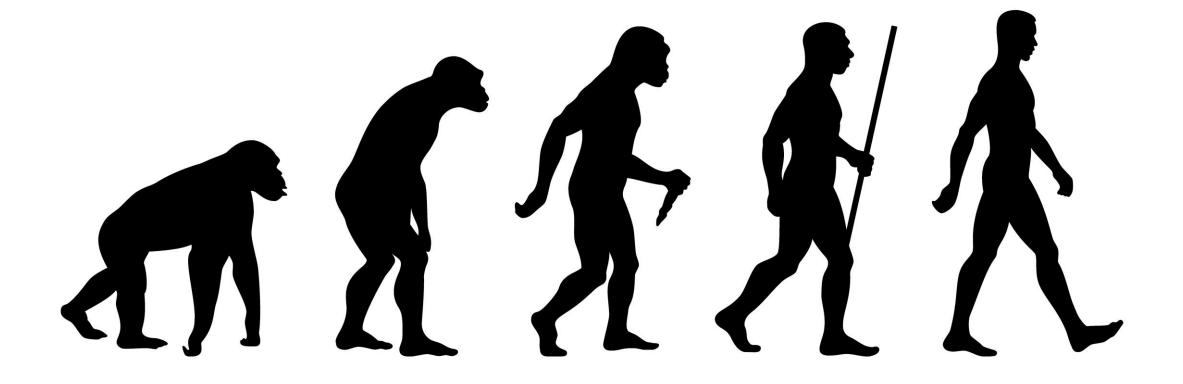
Has Been Bumpy So far



Deploying NFV based infrastructures has proven to be a more difficult ride than expected



Crawl Before We Walk









Appliance Based Devices

Deployment Format
Architecture
Upgrades
Scale out Methodology
Config Management
Fault tolerance
Backup Methodology
Orchestration Onboarding

Appliance

Monolith

Manual - Disruptive

Deploy larger hardware

Manual - Distributed

None

Quiesce and image

Proprietary



Physical

Physical to Virtual

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Virtual Machine

Monolith

Manual -Disruptive

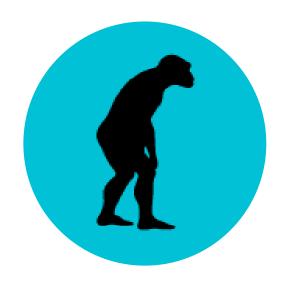
Layer 4-7 Loadbalancer

Manual - Distributed

None

Quiesce and image

Complex/Customized



Virtualized

Getting Warmer

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Virtual Machine

Scaled down VM

Manual - Non Disruptive

Layer 4-7 Loadbalancer

Manual - Distributed

Active Passive

Quiesce and image

Simple/Customized



Cloud Friendly



Service Oriented Architectures

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Virtual Machine

Service Oriented Arch

Manual - orchestrated

SDN LB - sessionless

Automated - (VNFM)

Active Clusters

N/A - templated

Simple/Templated



Cloud Ready

The Ideal Solution

Deployment Format
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Container

Microservices

Automated

Stateless - LB

Automated - Centralized

Active Graph

N/A

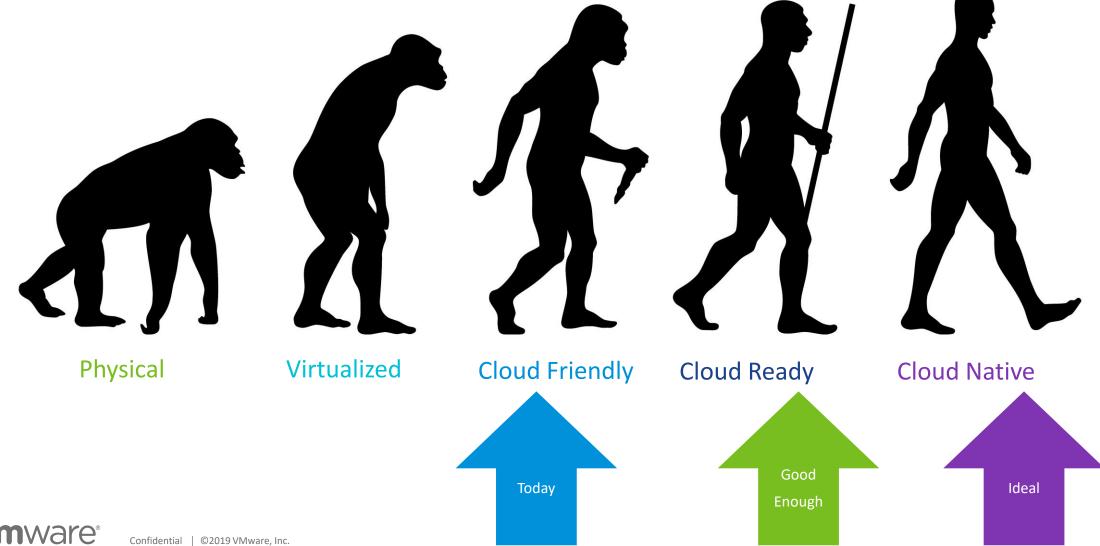
Simple/Templated



Cloud Native

Where are We Now

Are We Far Enough?



Moving in the Right Direction

Smoother Seas Ahead



As VNFs mature, Standards are ratified, Orchestrators become more feature rich...

the journey gets easier



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Questions?

