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## OSM#9 Hackfest Placement optimization for our Network Services

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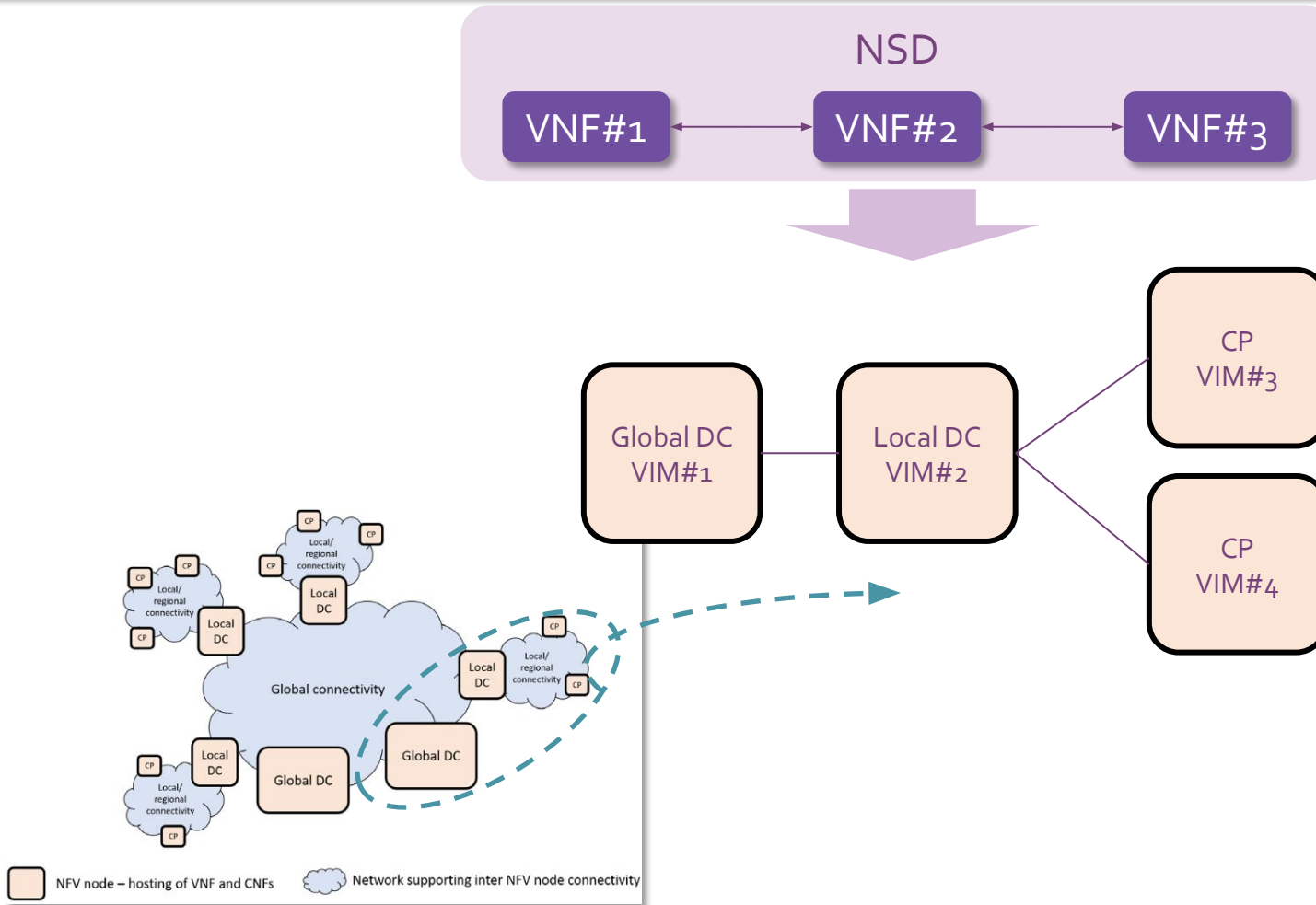
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# Introduction to Placement Optimization

Note: Placement is targeted for  
next OSM Release



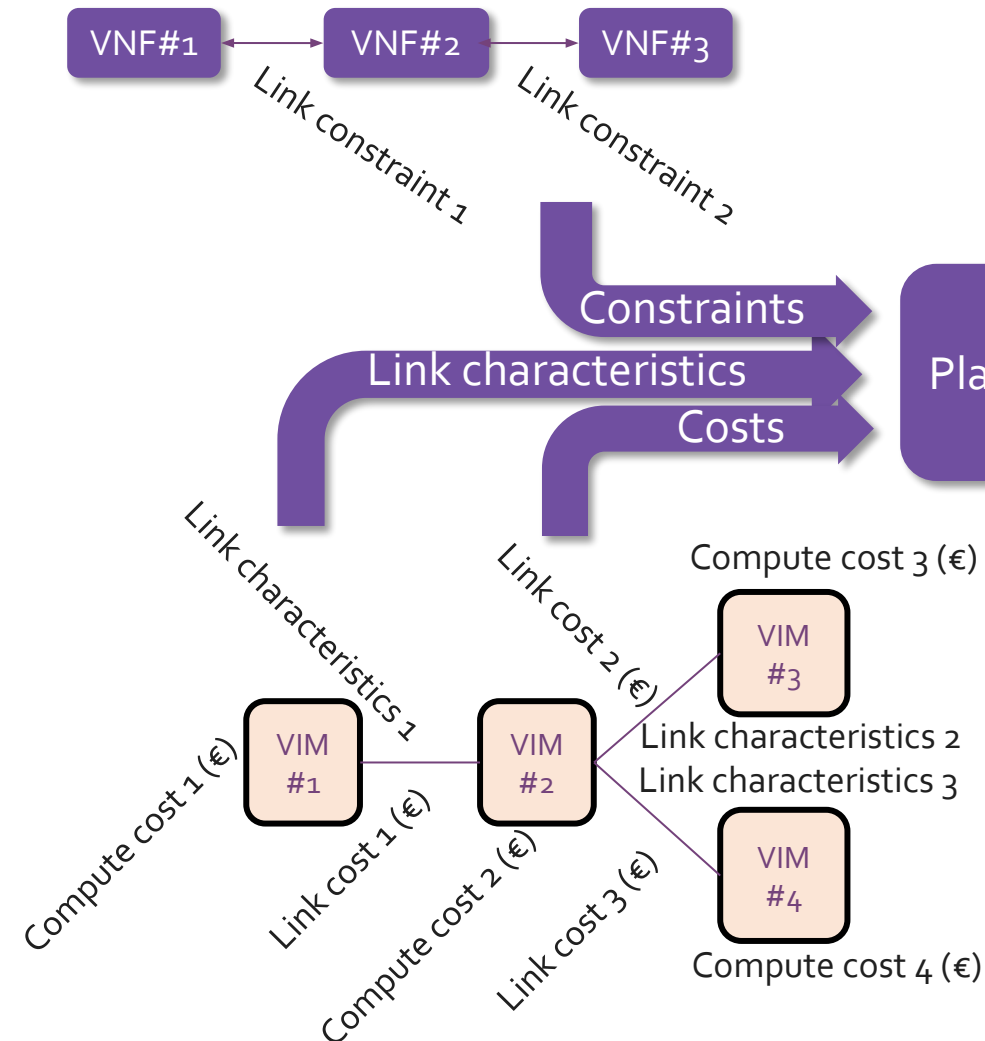
# What do we mean by Placement Optimization?



- Placement in context of OSM is the process of deciding **which VNF goes into which VIM**
- Optimal is subject to:
  - Cost of compute in VIMs
  - Cost of links for NS interworking
  - Constraints in NS interworking (Latency, Jitter) – if there are any
- Placement feature makes this process **Automatic & Optimal**

Business Service Basic Architecture,  
from *OSM Deployment and Integration WP*, Feb 2020

# The Optimization Process



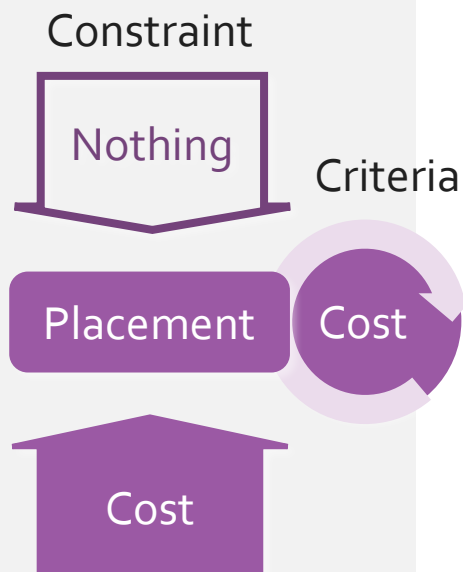
- Placement function
  - Will consider all VIM's available to the user
  - Will make sure constraints are met – if there are any
  - Will optimize Cost (the Criteria)
- I.e. select the option that fulfills constraints at the lowest possible cost
  - Modeled as a constraints optimization problem

*Computation of optimal placement of VNFs over VIMs by matching NS specific requirements to infrastructure availability and run-time metrics, while considering cost of compute/network.*

# Placement optimization examples

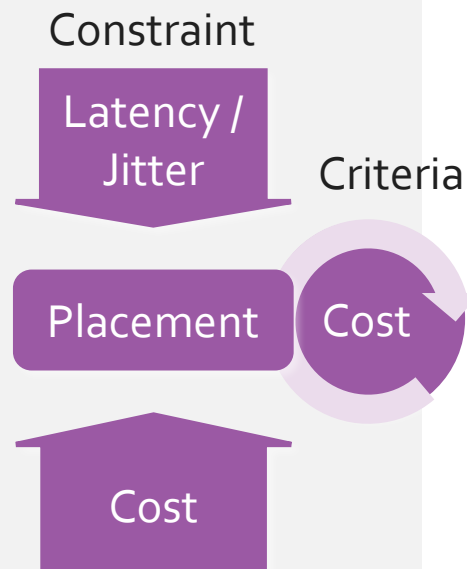
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Cost  
optimization  
only



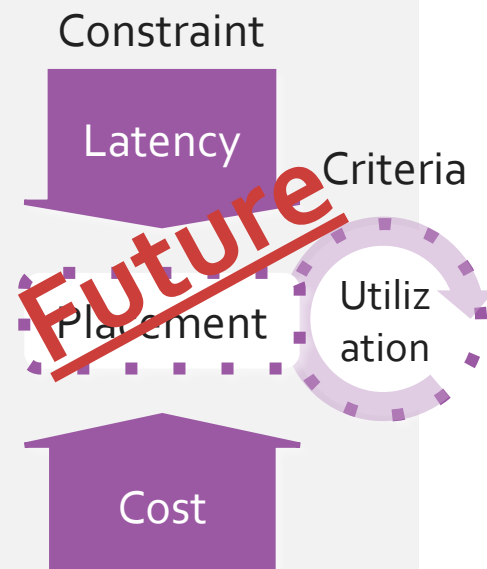
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Cost optimization  
with Latency  
constraint



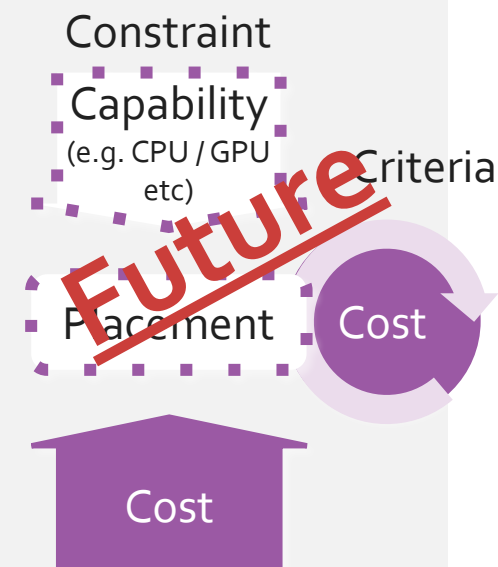
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Utilization  
optimization  
with Latency  
constraint



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Cost optimization  
with  
Capability  
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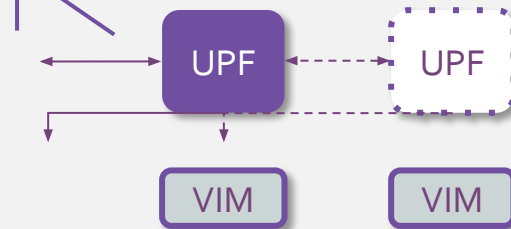




# Examples of use cases

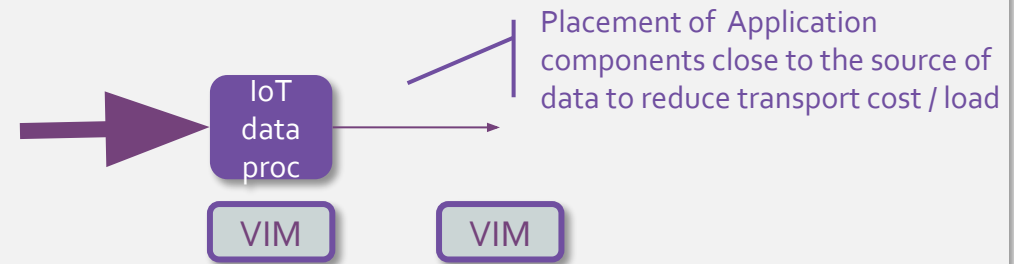
## UPF supporting Low-latency

Placement of UPF close to customer to achieve latency constraint



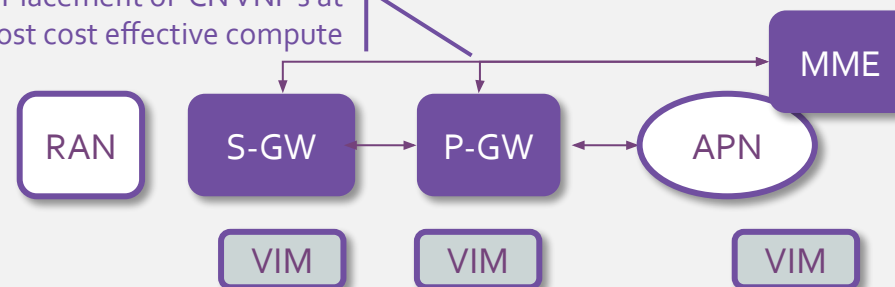
Deploy as close as it has to be

## Transport optimization (cost) for Application components



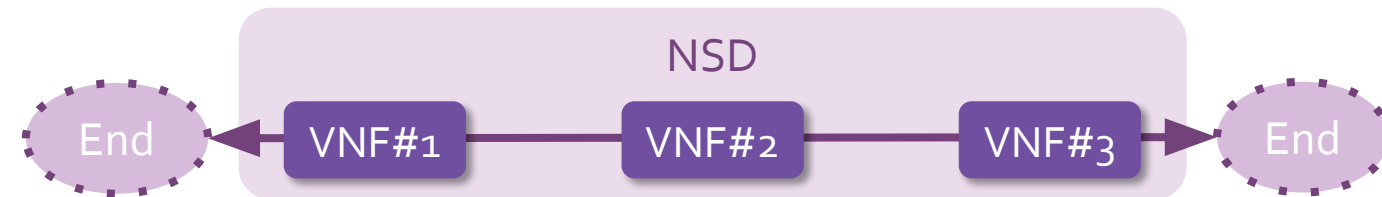
## Compute cost optimization for slicing

Placement of CN VNF's at most cost effective compute



Deploy as far away as it can be

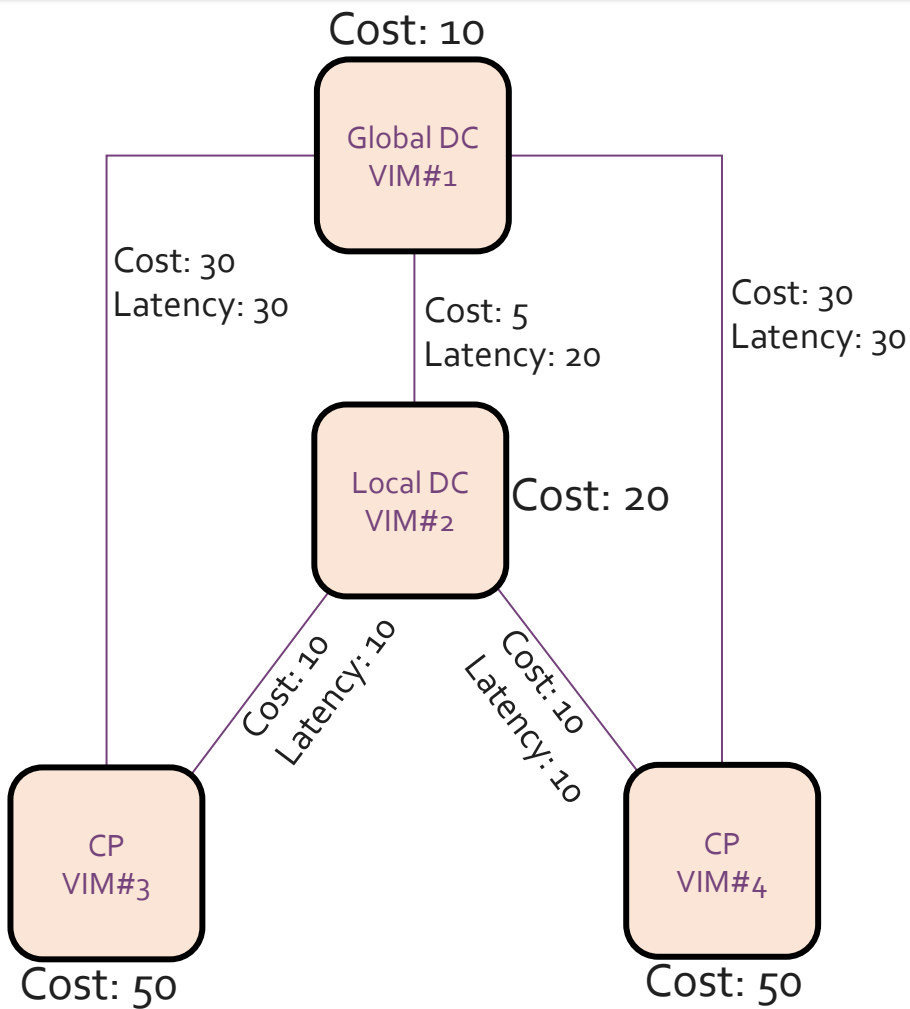
Example 1:	Auto	Auto	VIM#3
Example 2:	VIM#2	Auto	Auto
Example 3:	Auto	Auto	Auto



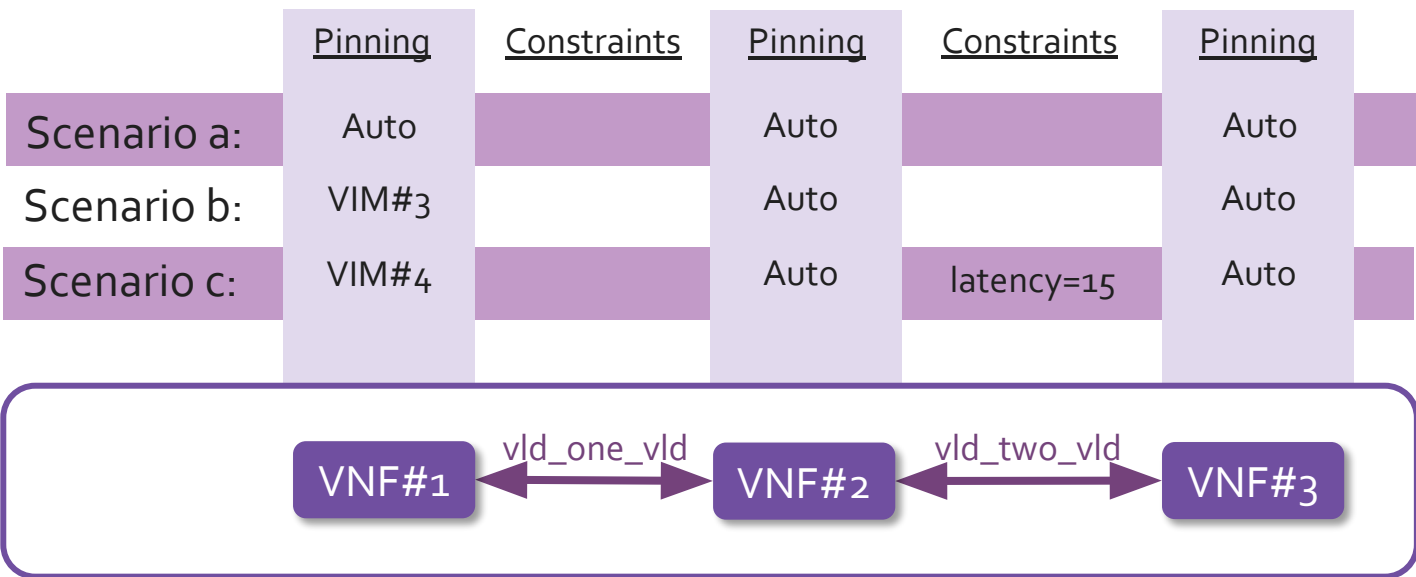
- Ability to “pin” a VNF to e.g.
  - the VIM with a specific VNF (e.g. P-GW)
  - the VIM with connectivity to a PNF
  - a CPE (customer location)

*Auto implies there is no VIM specified, this placement is therefore subject to placement optimization  
=> this is what Placement is all about – finding out where VNFs should (or must) be deployed in a multi-VIM NFVI*

# Some different scenarios



Topology & Cost



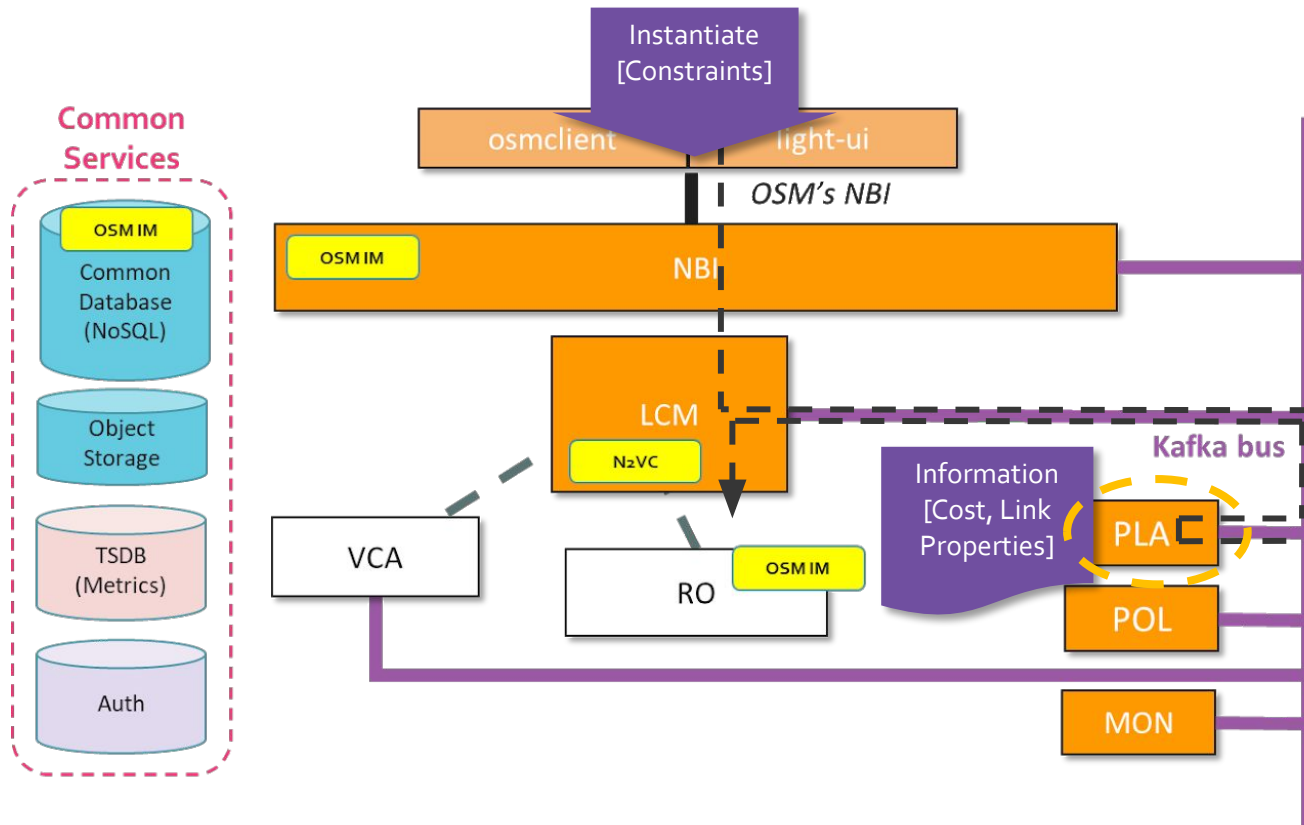




# Install and configure PLA in OSM



# The PLA component in OSM



- Basic functionality initially
- Automatic placement is optional, invoked by the user at instantiate of Network Service
  - `--config '{placement-engine: PLA, placement-constraints: {}, ...}'`
  - Constraints given in the instantiation request
  - Will consider placement over the VIMs available to the user
- Interacts with LCM, Common Services

- New component
  - Optional, install with `--pla`

# Configure PLA

- You need two configuration files
  - vnf\_price\_list.yaml
  - pil\_price\_list.yaml
- The configuration files are copied to the PLA container using the following commands:

```
$ docker cp vnf_price_list.yaml $(docker ps -qf name=osm_pla):/placement/.
```

```
$ docker cp pil_price_list.yaml $(docker ps -qf name=osm_pla):/placement/.
```

The price list for compute determines the price for each VNF at each VIM. The file (vnf\_price\_list.yaml) is written in Yaml

```
- vnfd: hackfest_magma-agw-enb_vnfd
hackfest:
  prices:
    - vim_url: http://172.21.247.1:5000/v3
      vim_name: etsi-openstack
      price: 5
    - vim_url: http://172.21.7.5:5000/v3
      vim_name: etsi-openstack-lowcost
      price: 1
  admin:
    prices:
      - vim_url: http://172.21.247.1:5000/v3
        vim_name: etsi-openstack
        price: 5
      - vim_url: http://172.21.7.5:5000/v3
        vim_name: etsi-openstack-lowcost
        price: 1
```

The price list and characteristics for transport links between VIMs (PoP Interconnecting Link – PiL). In current release the price is given per link without any consideration to BW or other QoS parameter. The file (pil\_price\_list.yaml) is written in Yaml.

```
pil:
  - pil_description: Link between vim1 and vim2
    pil_price: 5
    pil_latency: 10
    pil_jitter: 2
    pil_endpoints:
      - etsi-openstack
      - etsi-openstack-lowcost
```

*Note: In current OSM release the link characteristics are hard coded into this file, in future releases this data should be retrieved from the infrastructure by monitoring mechanisms.*

# Invoke PLA

1

Request Placement Cost Optimization

```
--config '{placement-engine: PLA}'
```

2

Request Placement Cost Optimization with pinning of specified VNF

```
--config '{placement-engine: PLA,  
vnf: [{member-vnf-index: "1", vim_account: OpenStack3}]}'
```

3

Request Placement Cost Optimization with VLD Constraints

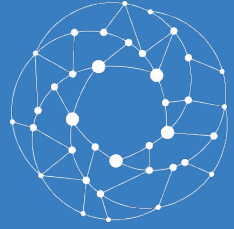
```
--config '{placement-engine: PLA,  
placement-constraints: {vld-constraints: [{id: vld_1, link-constraints: {latency: 120,  
jitter: 20}}, {id: vld_2, link-constraints: {jitter: 20 }}}}'
```

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Combo of 2 and 3

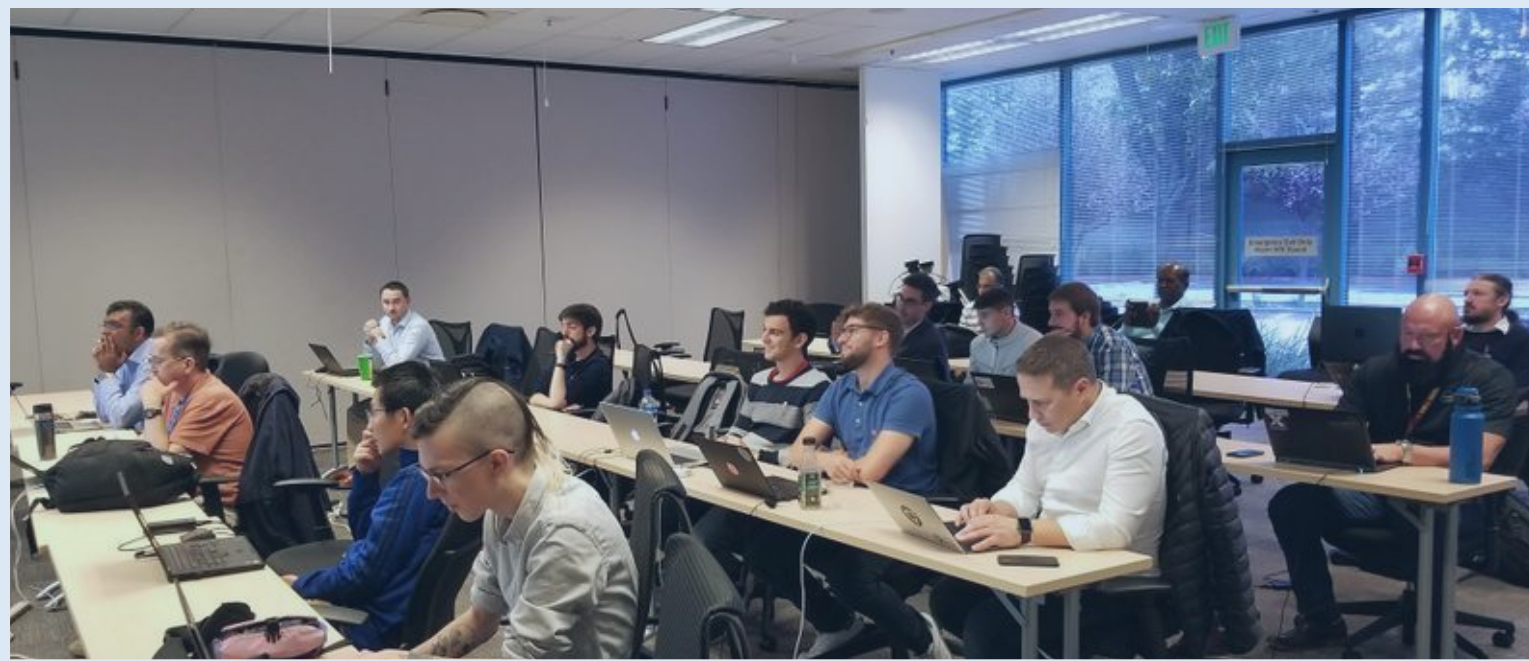
```
--config '{placement-engine: PLA,  
vnf: [{member-vnf-index: "1", vim_account: OpenStack4}], placement-constraints:  
{vld-constraints: [{id: vld_1, link-constraints: {latency: 15}}]}'
```





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# Hands-on: Placement of the Magma AGW + emulator VNF



# Launch a 2<sup>nd</sup> slice

- Create another VIM

The vim name is important, it must match content of the vnf\_price\_list.yaml file

--user, --password and --tenant follows your personal settings for the hackfest

```
osm vim-create --name etsi-openstack-`${HACKFEST-TENANT}`-lowcost --user osm_hackfest_`${HACKFEST-TENANT}` --password  
osm_hackfest_`${HACKFEST-TENANT}` --auth_url http://172.21.7.5:5000/v3 --tenant osm_hackfest_`${HACKFEST-TENANT}` --account_type  
openstack --config '{management_network_name: management, dataplane_physical_net: physnet2, microversion: 2.32}'
```

Don't forget the additional configuration



# Launch a 2<sup>nd</sup> slice

- Run `hfscripts/lunch_nsi_placement.sh`

```
cd hfscripts/  
./lunch_nsi_placement.sh
```

- create PDU

- `params_slices2.yaml`

`placement-engine: PLA`  
`wimAccountId: False`

Need another `agw_id`, `agw_name` e.g. 101

```
netslice-subnet:  
- id: slice_hackfest_nsd_epc  
  placement-engine: PLA  
  wimAccountId: False  
  additionalParamsForVnf:  
    - member-vnf-index: '1'  
    additionalParams:  
      agw_id: 'agw_101'  
      agw_name: 'AGW101'  
      orch_ip: '172.21.251.XXX' ## change this to the MetalLB IP address of your orc8r_proxy service.  
      orch_net: 'osmnet'  
  
- id: slice_hackfest_nsd_epcmgmt  
  additionalParamsForVnf:  
    - member-vnf-index: 'orc8r'  
    additionalParamsForKdu:  
      - kdu_name: orc8r  
    additionalParams:  
      proxyloadBalancerIP: '172.21.251.XXX' # MetalLB IP Address
```

# Launch a 2<sup>nd</sup> slice

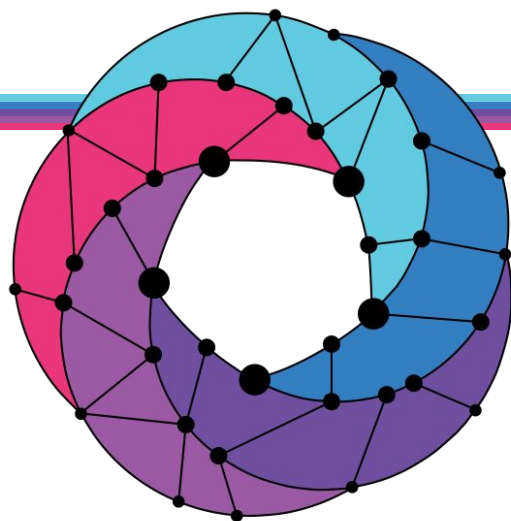
- Check where the vnf was deployed

```
osm vnf-list
```

- vim\_account\_id should correspond to etsi-openstack-**x**-lowcost for the new slice
- same Magma orc8r as before
- You may configure and send traffic over the new slice
- Clean up: delete the slice

```
$ osm nsi-delete <nsi_name> or <nsi_id>
```

- Clean up: remove parameter file



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