STORMY WEATHER
SECURING CLOUD COMPUTING

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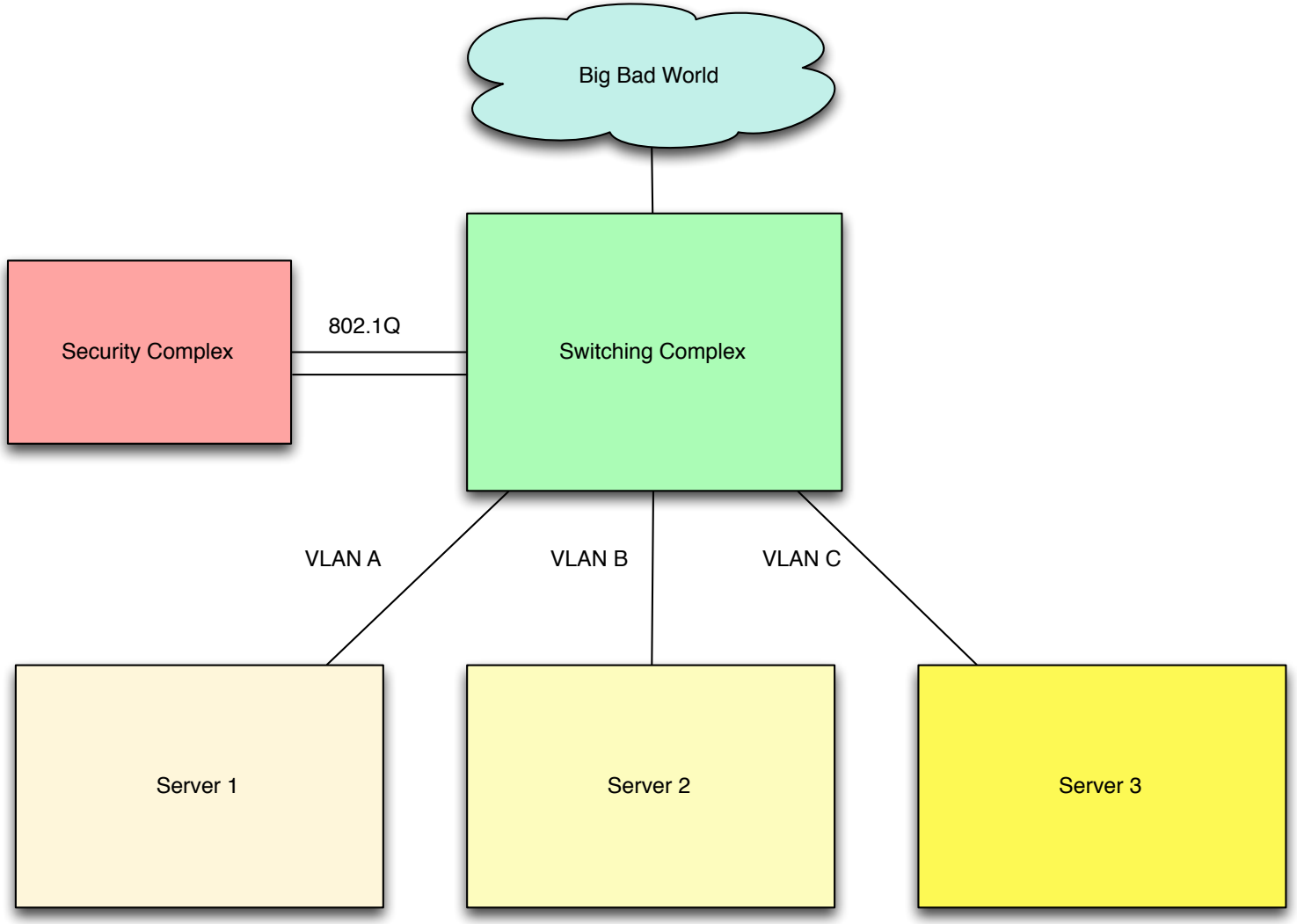
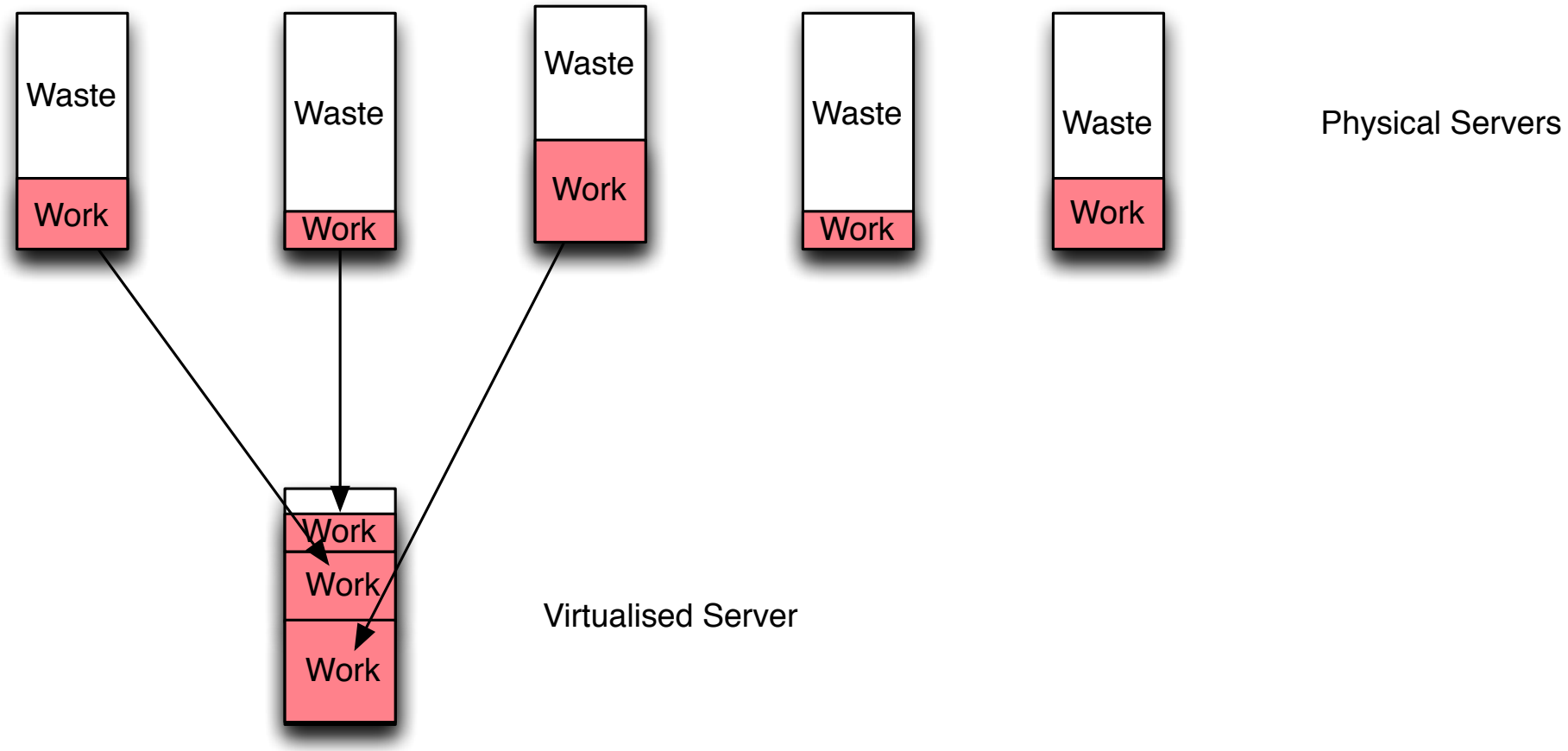
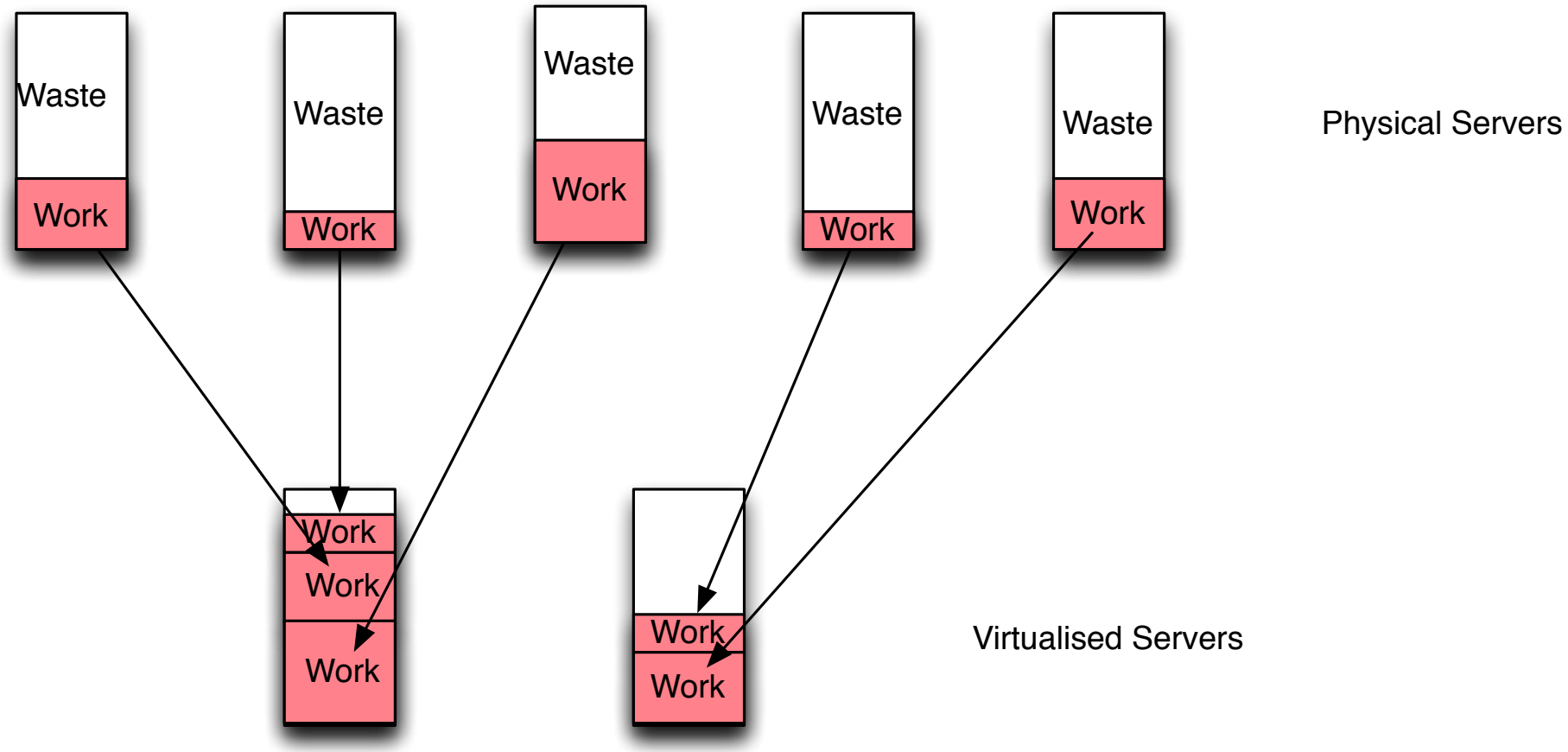
TRADITIONAL DC NETWORK SECURITY



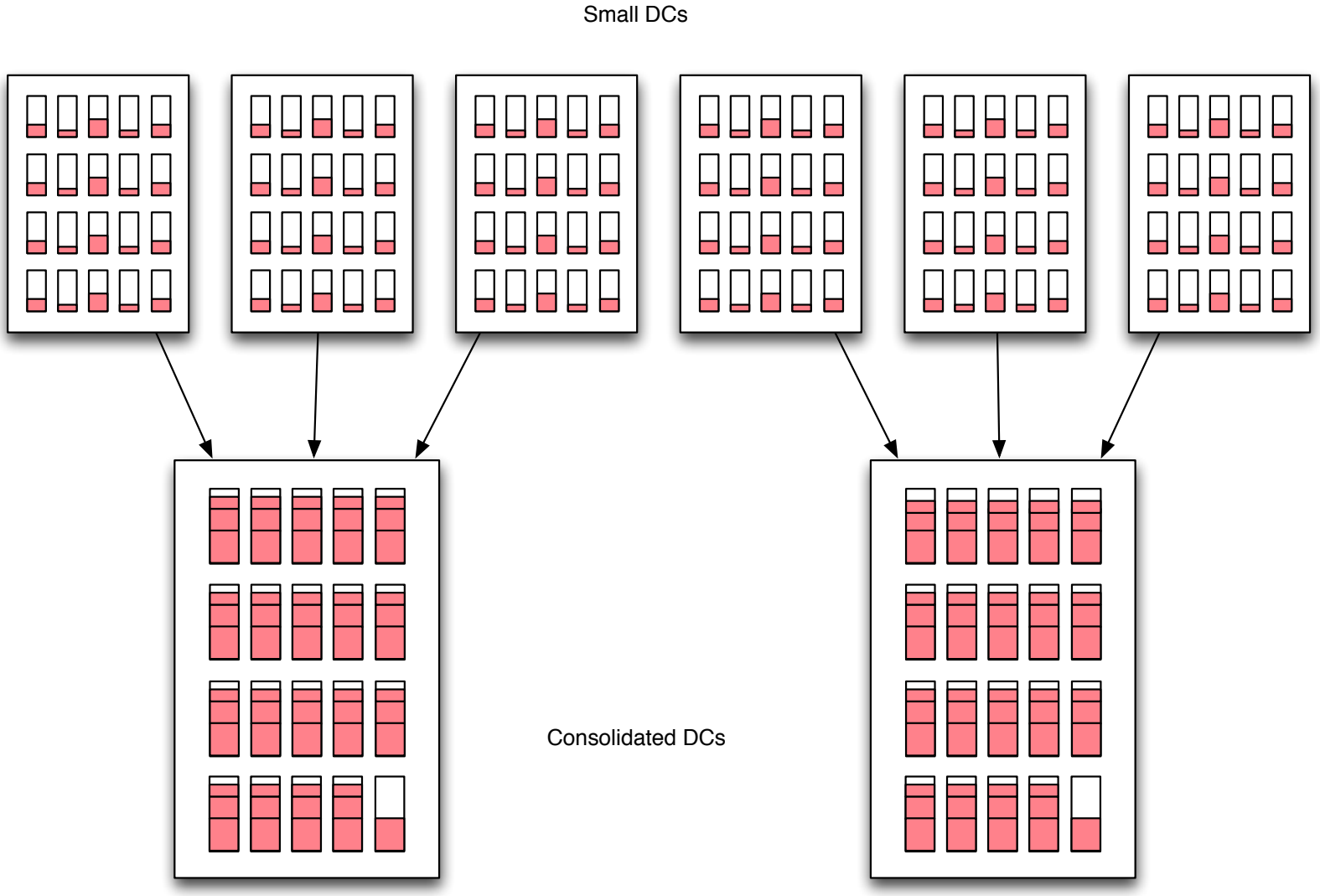
THE PRINCIPLE OF CONSOLIDATION – PER SERVER



LARGER POOL, MORE CONSOLIDATION



SAME PRINCIPLE, FOR WHOLE DATA CENTERS



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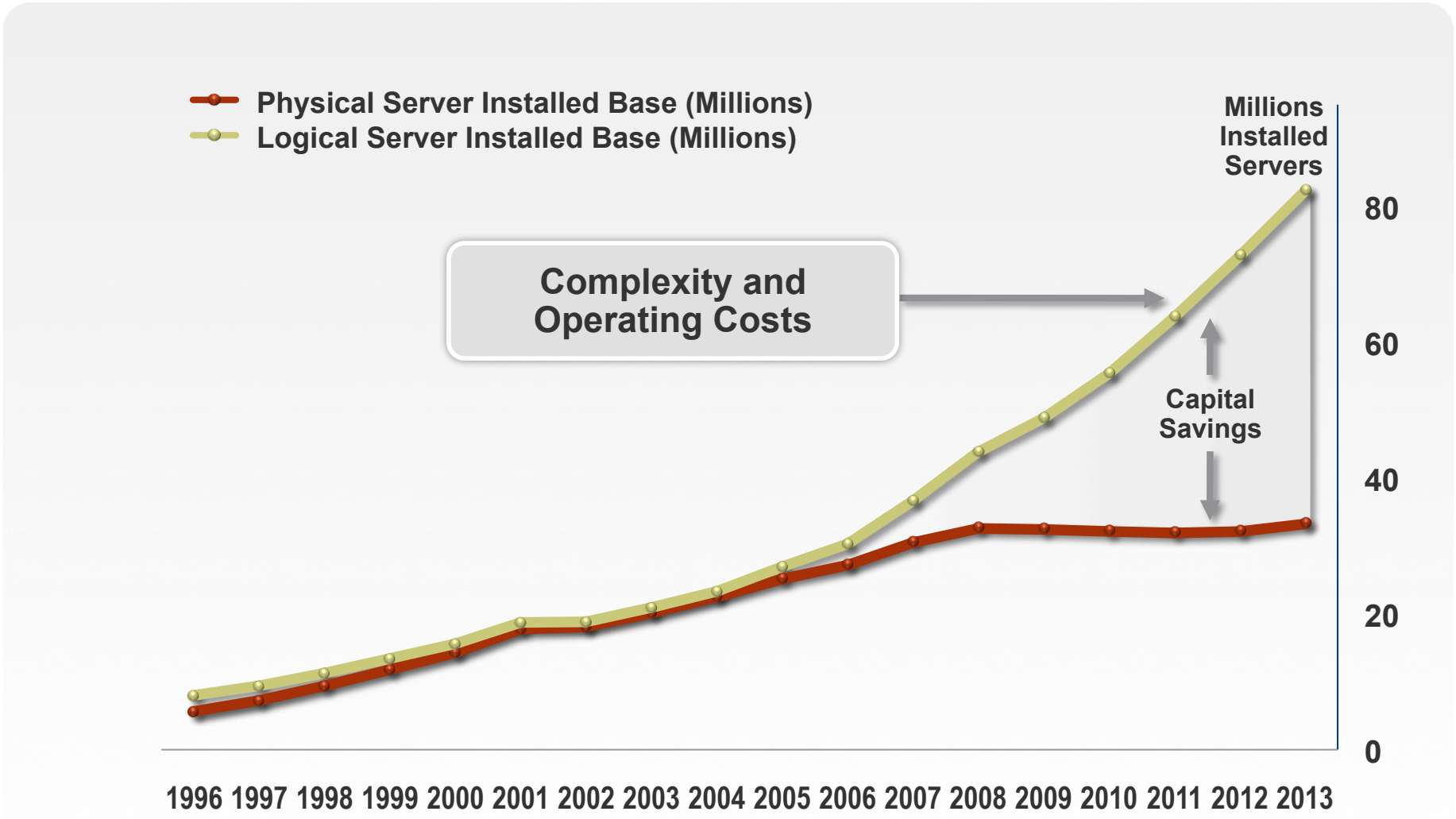

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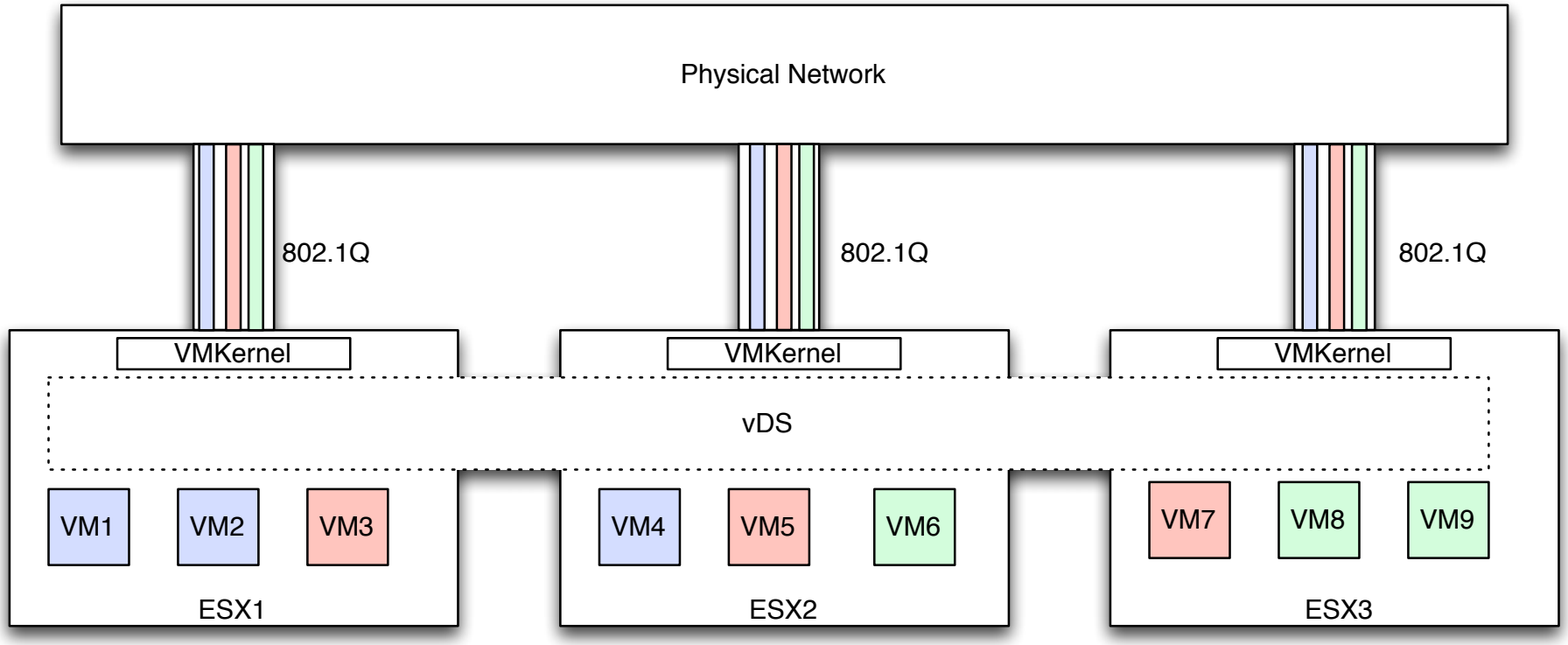

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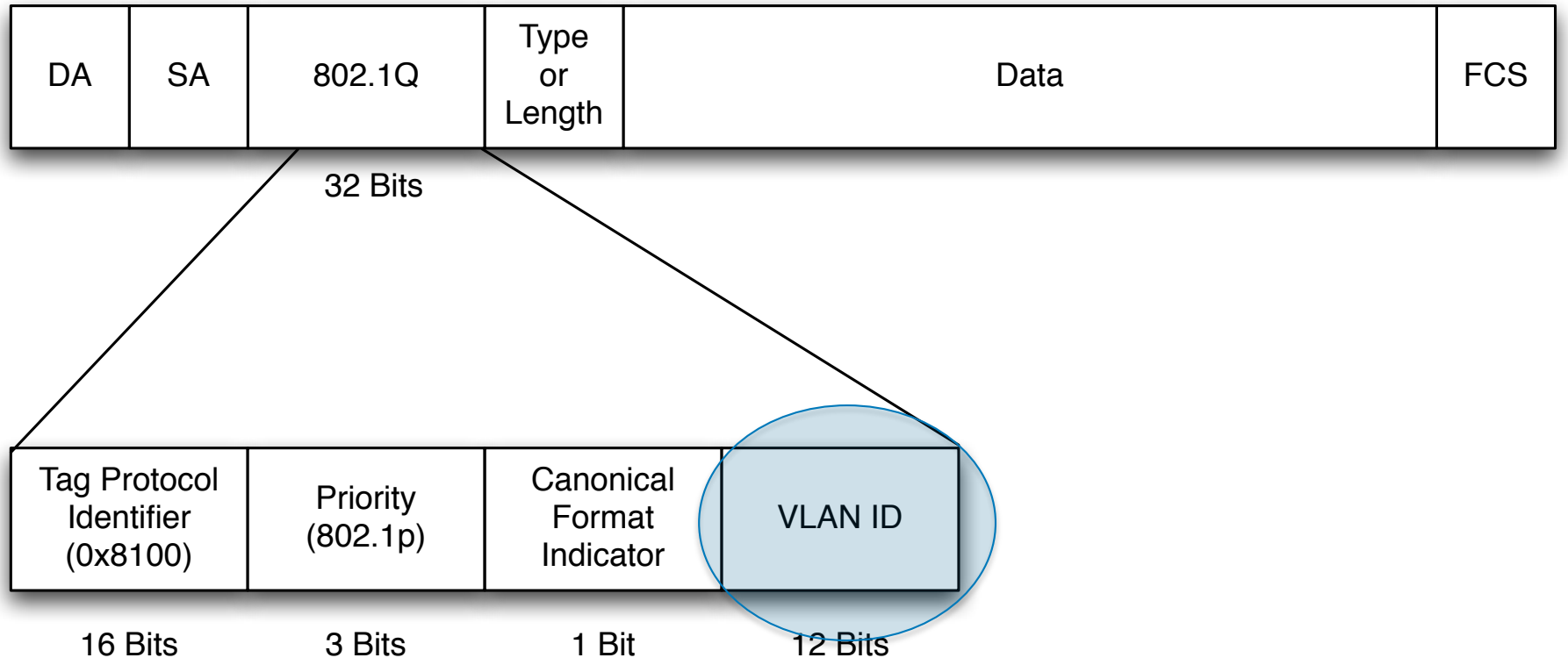
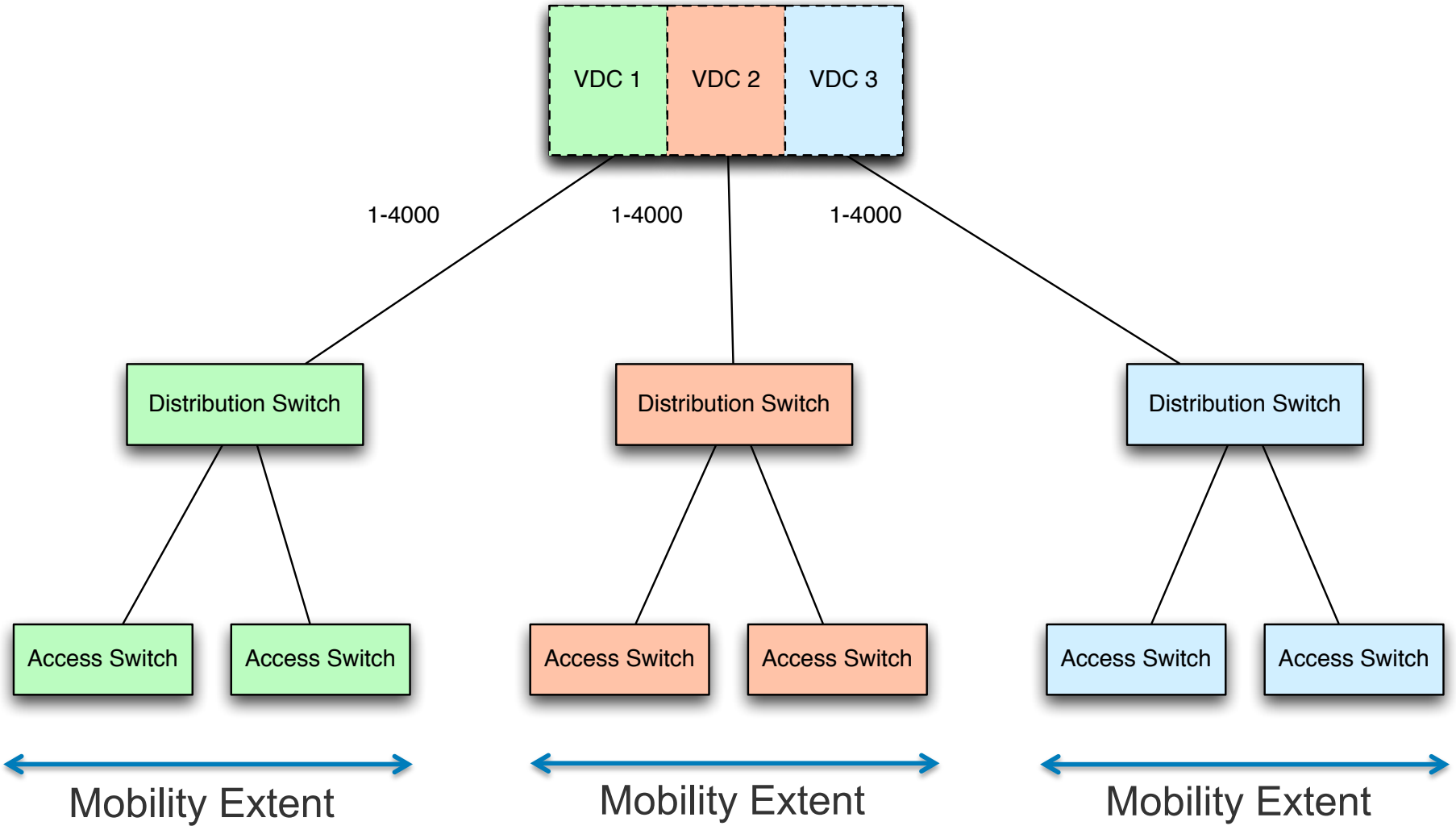


SCALING BEYOND 4K TENANTS – BRIDGE DOMAINS



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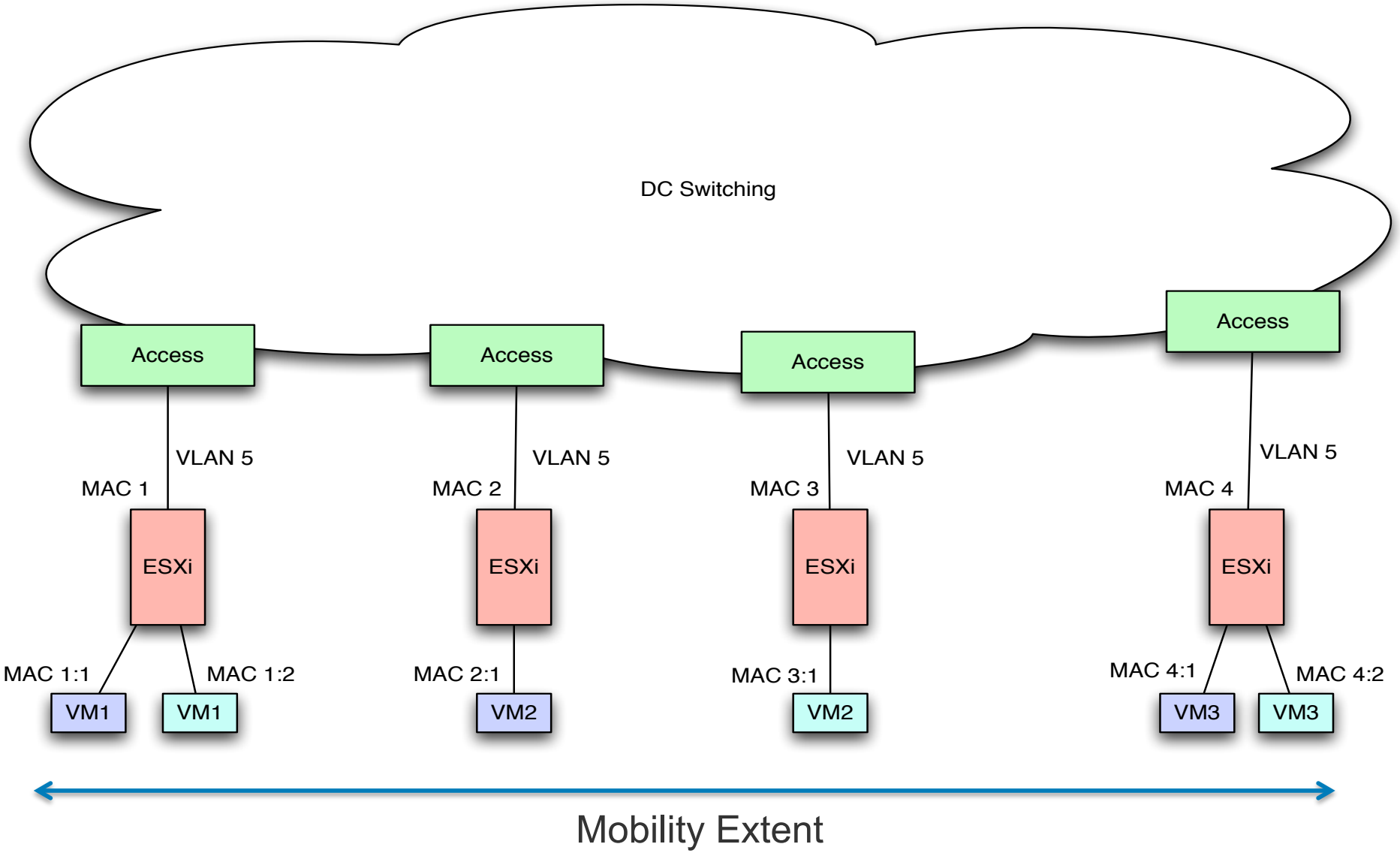


VCD-NI PORTGROUP LABELS

dvs.<vCenterID><DS#><vCD#><VLAN>***<Network ID>***<Name>

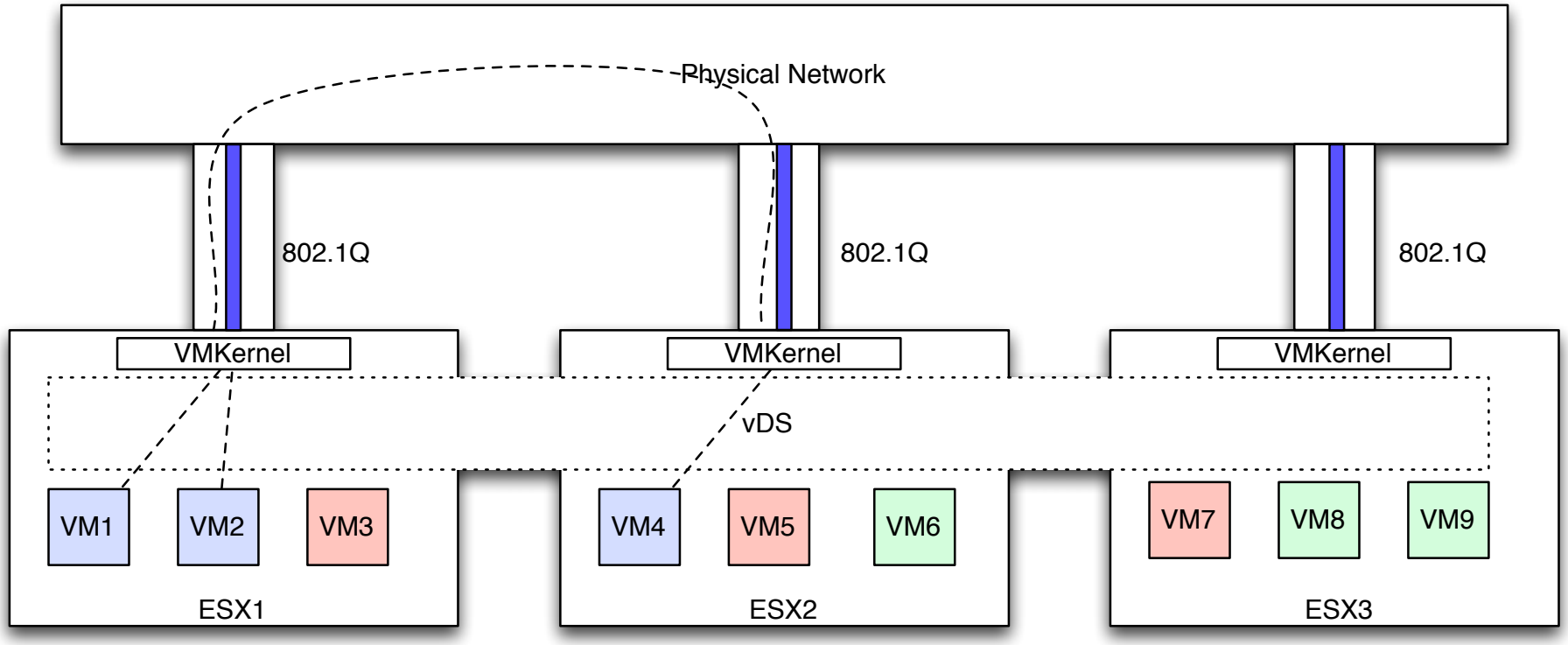
<Network ID> is a 24 bit value expressed in Hexadecimal

(This is sometime referred to as a fence ID)

For Example:

dvs.VC1012345678DVS3CM1-V32-C2E-Coke Org1

THE NEW EDGE – WITH TUNNELS



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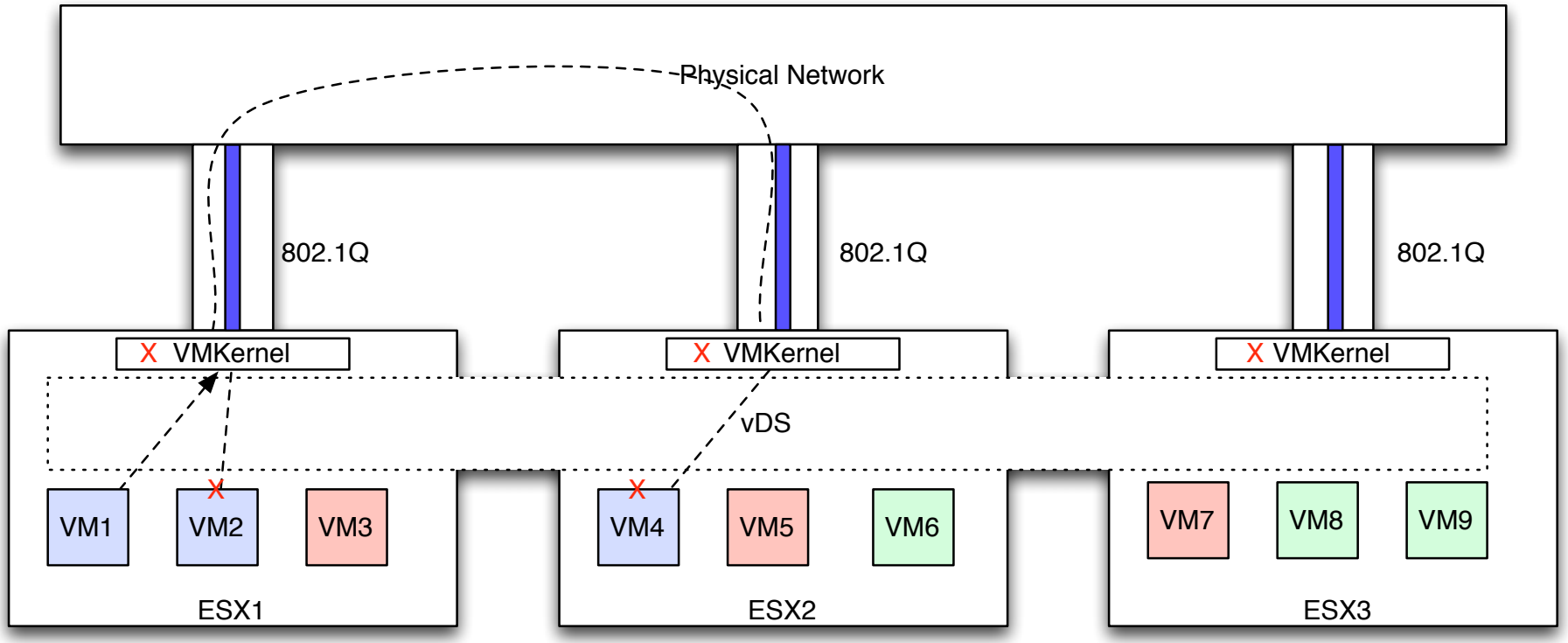

REMEMBER THESE RULES OF THUMB?

Max IP hosts per subnet – 500

Max IPX Hosts per subnet – 256

Max Appletalk hosts per subnet - 128

Number of Hosts	Average Percentage of CPU Loss per Host
100	.14
1000	.96
10,000	9.15

http://docwiki.cisco.com/wiki/Internetwork_Design_Guide_--_Broadcasts_in_Switched_LAN_Internetworks

TIMES CHANGE

SparcStation 2

28 MIPS

0.000392 MIPS used per host

500 Hosts Cost 0.7% of CPU

Ivy Bridge Xeon

180,000 MIPS

0.000392 MIPS used per host

3.2 Million Hosts cost 0.7% of CPU

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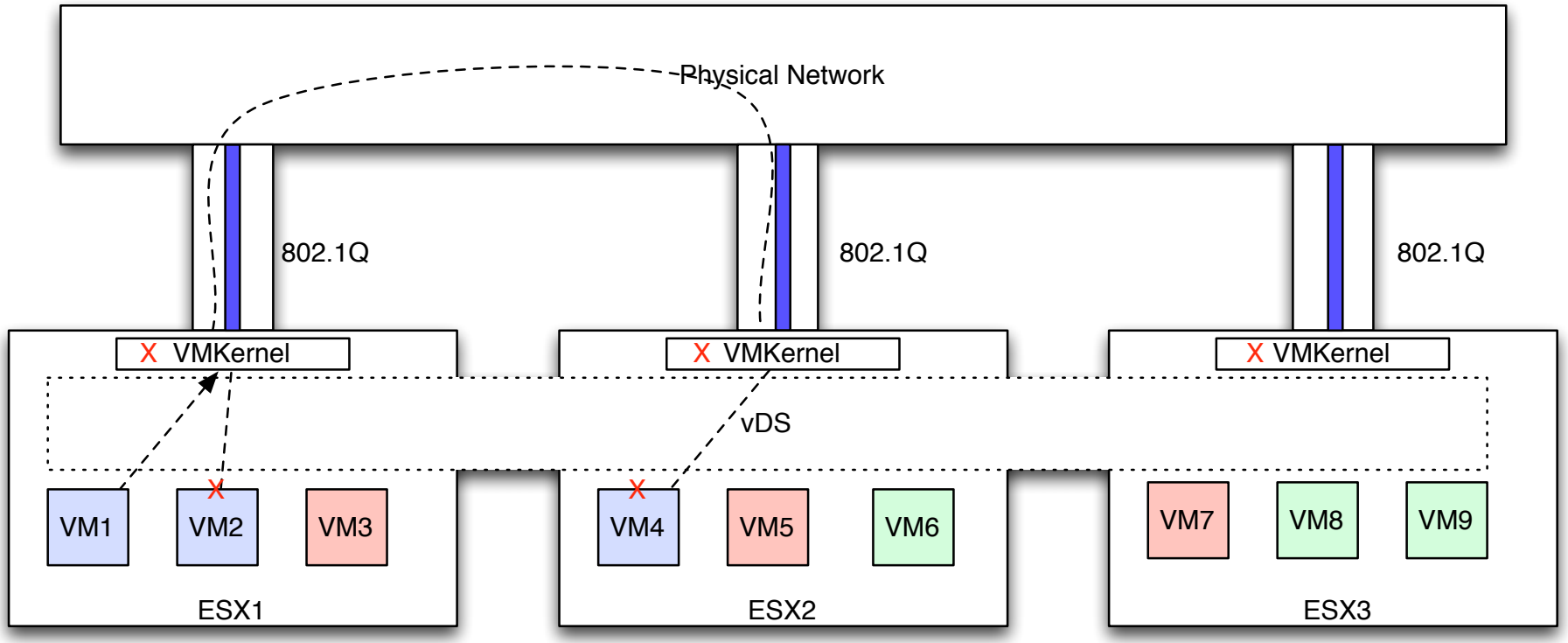
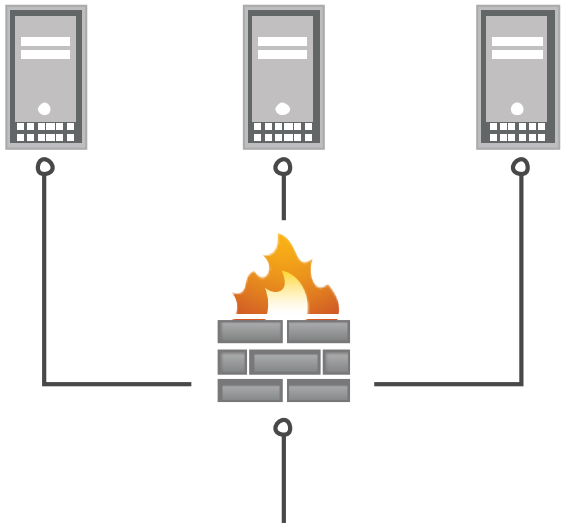


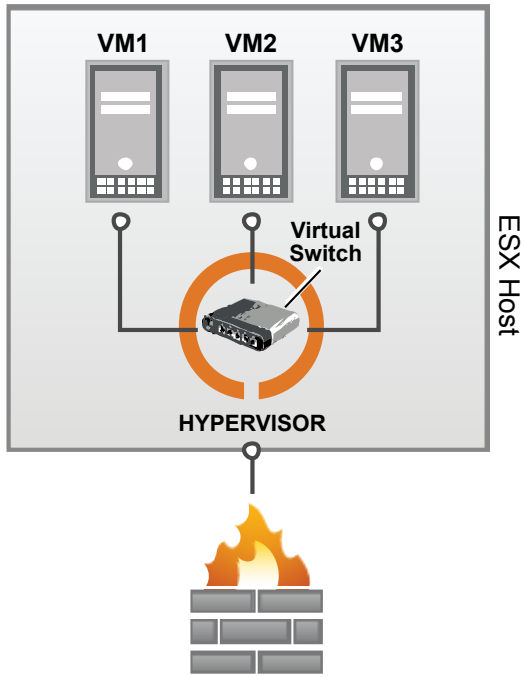
SECURITY IMPLICATION OF VIRTUALIZATION

Physical Network



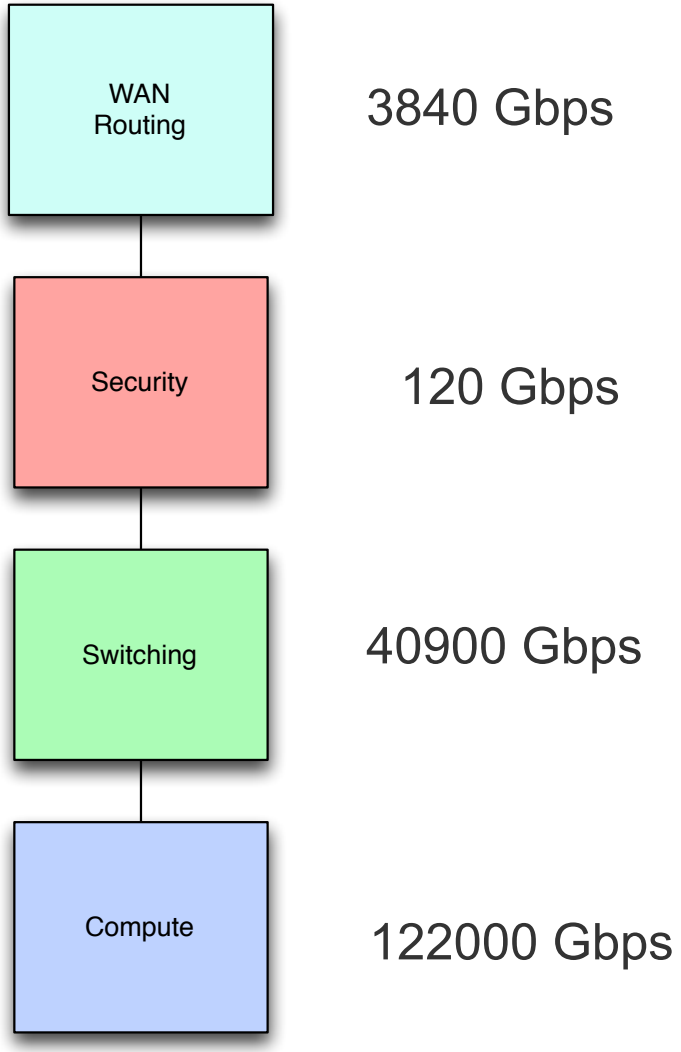
Security Complex Sees/Protects
All Traffic Between Servers

Virtual Network

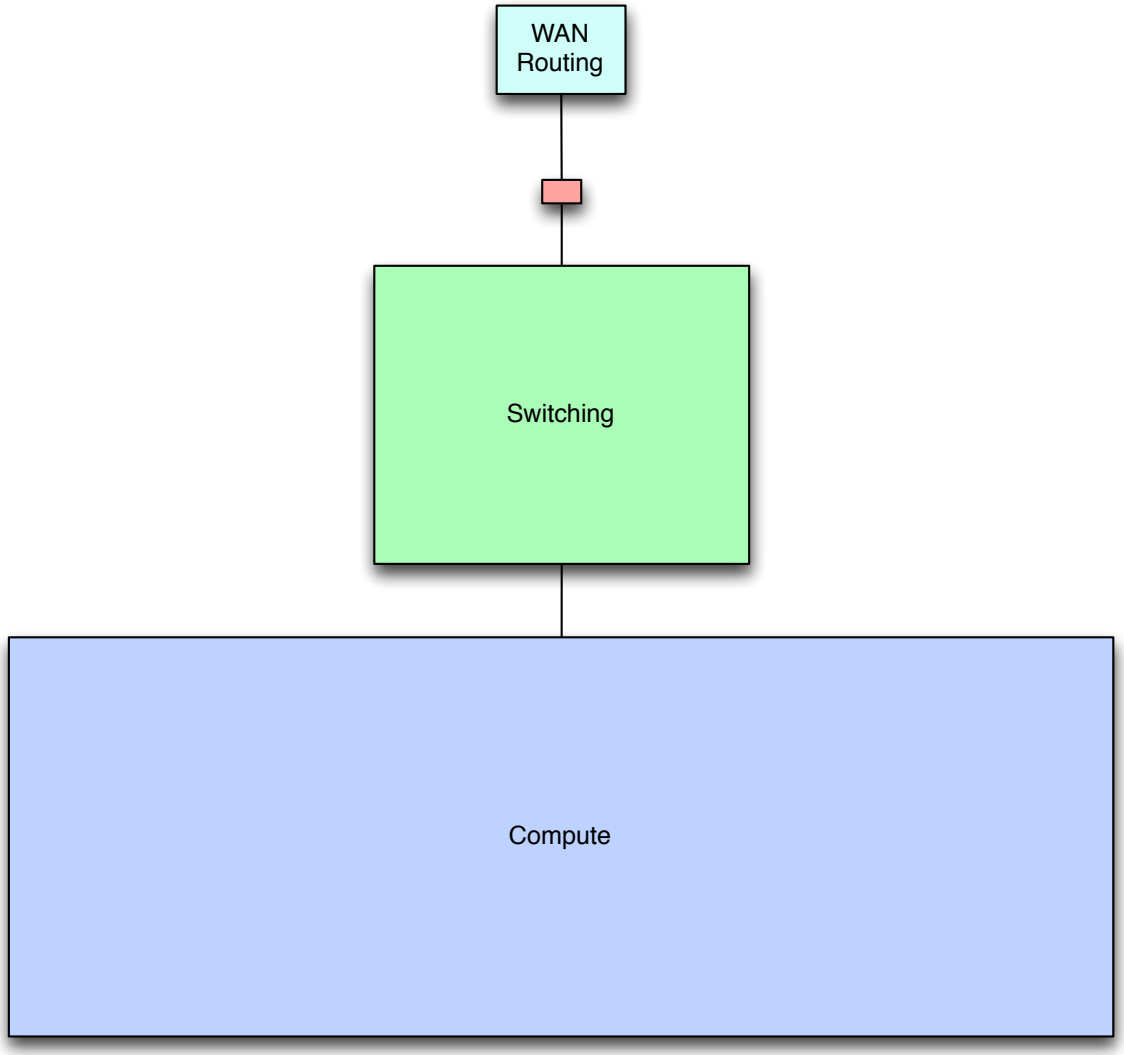


Physical Security is “Blind” to
Traffic Between Virtual Machines

THIS IS HOW WE HAVE BUILT DATA CENTRES…



NETWORK THROUGHPUT IS A DIFFERENT STORY

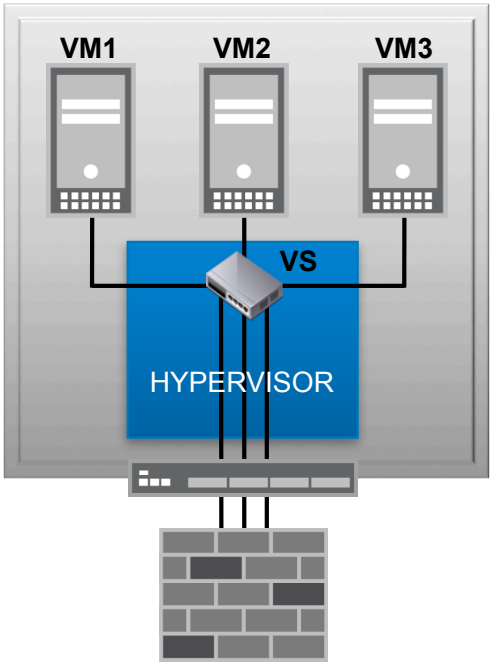


APPROACHES TO SECURING VIRTUAL NETWORKS

1. VLAN Segmentation

VMs segmented into separate VLANs; Inter-VM communications must route through the firewall

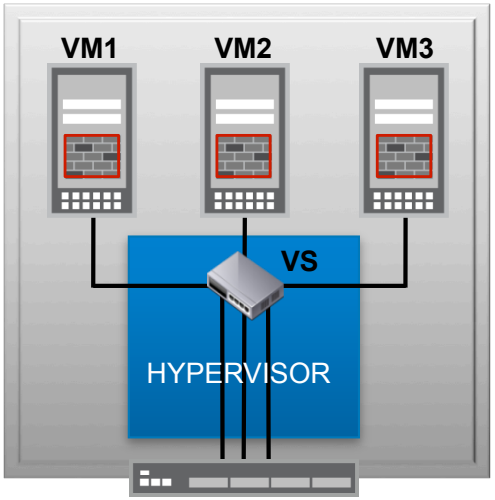
Drawbacks: Complex VLAN networking; Lacks hypervisor visibility; High overhead



2. Agent-based

Each VM has a software firewall

Drawbacks: Significant performance implications; Huge management overhead of maintaining software and signature on 1000s of VMs



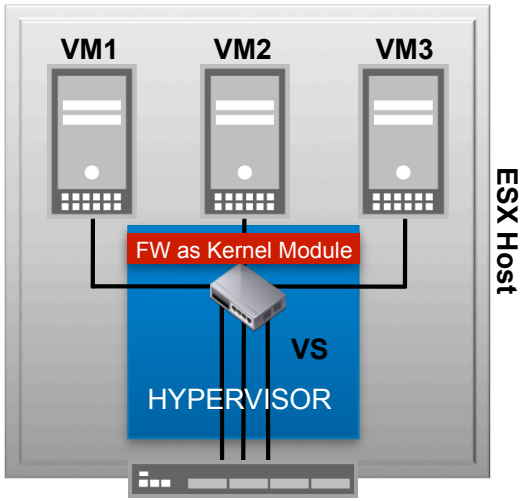
FW Agents

3. Kernel-based

Inter-VM traffic always protected; Micro-segmenting capabilities

High-Performance from implementing firewall in the kernel

Secures Hypervisor connections



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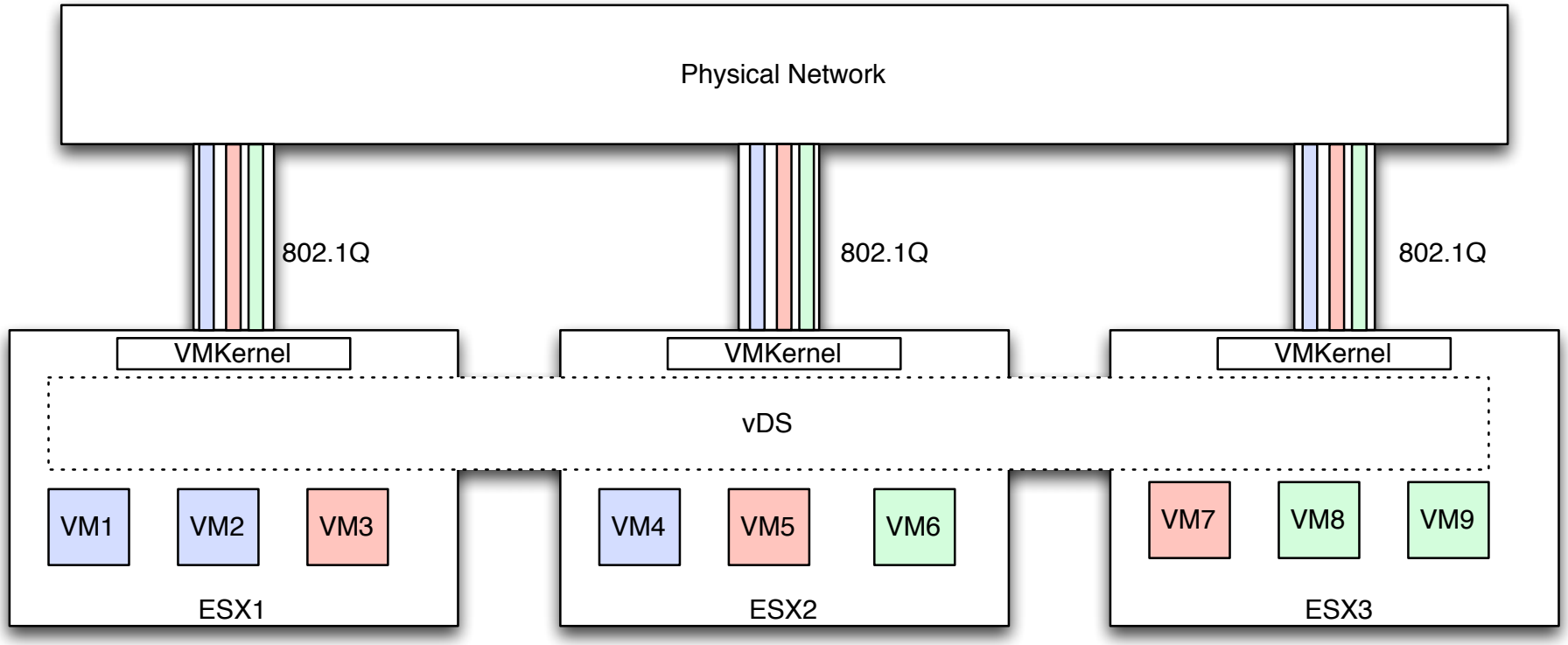
OPPORTUNITIES AND CHALLENGES FOR ALL



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