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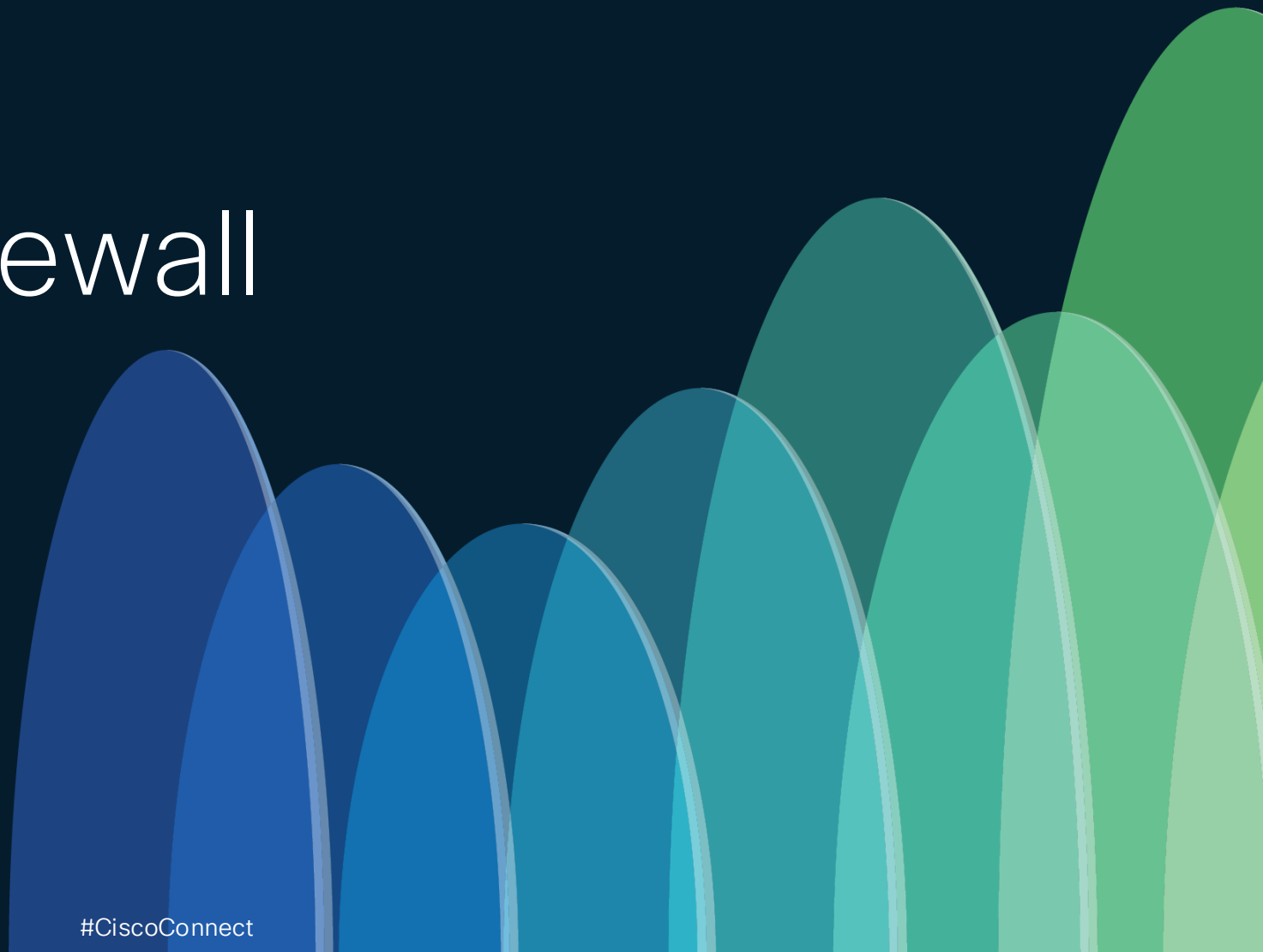
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# Hybrid Mesh Firewall

## The Next Era of Firewalling

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# Agenda

- Introduction
- Cisco Secure Firewall
- Hybrid Mesh Firewall Strategy and Innovations
- Conclusion

# Securing modern applications is... “challenging”

## Highly distributed

- Spanning data center, cloud
- Containers
- Automated deployments

## Nothing can be trusted

- Need deep threat inspection and major trust boundaries AND
- Analyze every flow to limit lateral movement

## Patching is hard

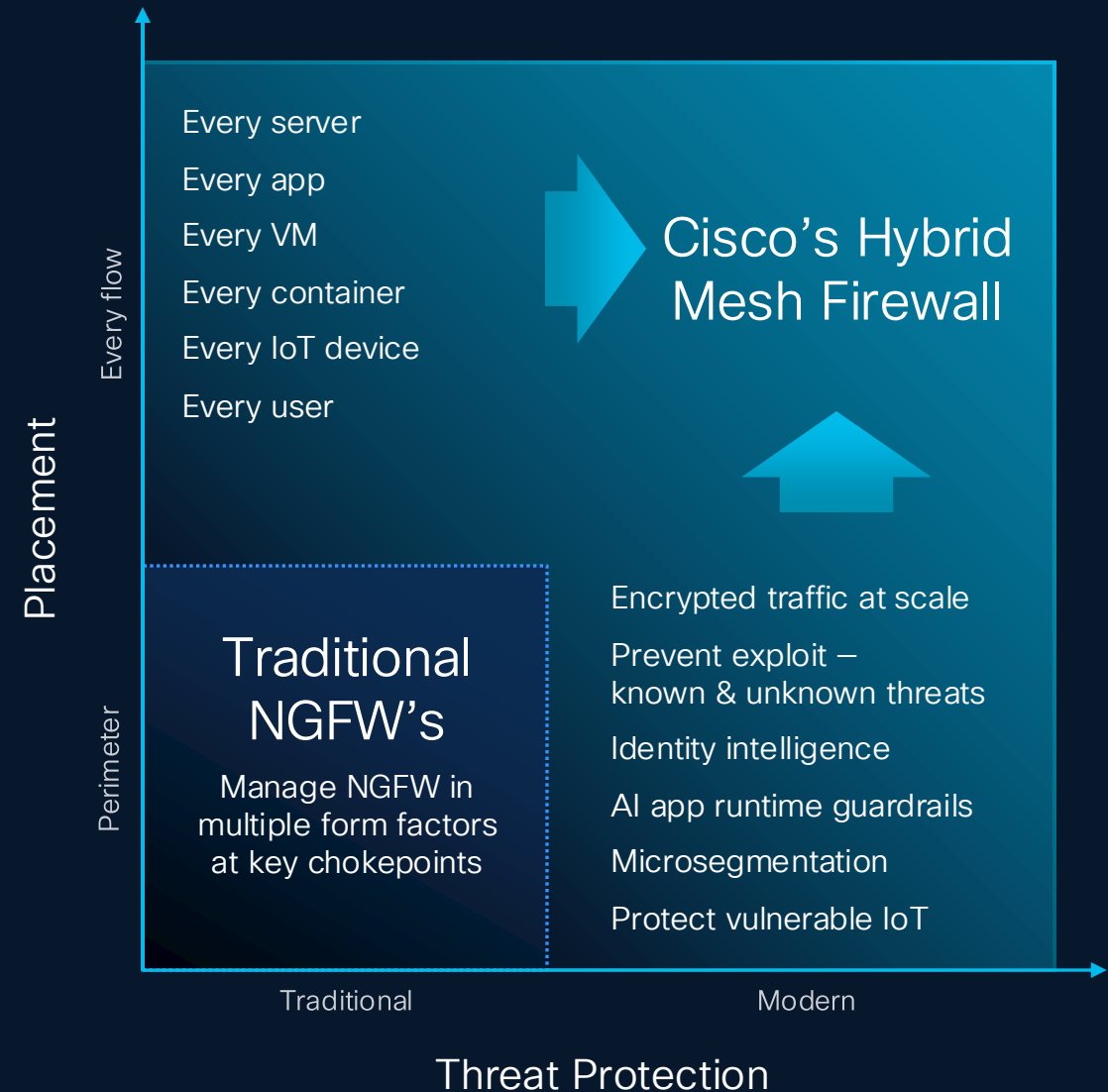
- High vulnerability rate
- Mitigation is too slow
- New exploits of AI models

← AI increasing attack surface and attacker sophistication →

# Firewalling needs to evolve to meet today's challenges

## Our North Star

Make it easy for organizations to **reduce attack surface**, **prevent compromise**, and **stop lateral movement** in the modern data center, cloud, campus, and factory





## Hybrid Mesh Firewall

Cloud Management (Security Cloud Control)

Major trust boundaries

Everywhere

L7 Threat Protection

AI Model Protection\*

Segmentation

Distributed Exploit Protection

Secure Firewall

Multicloud Defense

Secure Access (FWaaS)\*

3<sup>rd</sup> Party Firewall\*\*

Hypershield (Smart Switch)

Hypershield (agent)

Secure Workload



Flexibility to swap components

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\*\*Future

# Cisco Secure Firewall



Who took 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the last World Cup in 2022?

Who is the 3<sup>rd</sup> largest cell phone maker in the world?

Who is the 3<sup>rd</sup> firewall vendor?



# Market Analysts



# Firewalls for every use case

**ISA 3000  
Series**



≤0.4 Gbps  
NGFW

**1010  
Series**



≤0.9 Gbps  
NGFW

**1200  
Series**



≤18 Gbps  
NGFW

**3100  
Series**



≤45 Gbps NGFW  
16x Clustering

**4200  
Series**



≤145 Gbps NGFW  
16x Clustering

**9300  
Series**



≤68 Gbps NGFW  
16x Clustering

IOT / Branch / SASE

Campus / Data Center / Service Providers

## Private Cloud

NUTANIX



HyperFlex

## Public Cloud



Google Cloud Platform



rackspace  
technology

ORACLE  
CLOUD INFRASTRUCTURE

EQUINIX

Alibaba Cloud

alkira

## Gov/IC Cloud



Google Cloud Platform

# Cisco's Security Competitive Differentiation

## 0-day protection

### Machine Learning from Talos

24x7 **threat hunting** with flexible engines that enable **on-box real-time traffic inspection** without relying on static signatures

## Simplify Operations Boost via cloud

### Efficiency with real tasks

Decide how to **deal with encrypted traffic** – decrypt, bypass what's considered safe and inspect what's suspicious or can't be identified

### Cloud Platformization

Cloud Assist for AIOps, Zero Touch Provisioning and AI Assistant

# SnortML: Zero-day protection

The screenshot displays the Cisco Firewall Management Center (FMC) interface. The top navigation bar includes links for Overview, Analysis, Policies, Devices, Objects, Integration, and Deploy, along with a search icon, a notification bell with 4 alerts, a settings gear, and a help icon. The user is logged in as 'admin'. The main content area is titled 'Events By Priority and Classification' with a '(switch workflow)' link. It shows a time range of '2024-05-01 00:00:00 - 2024-05-31 15:11:31' and a status of 'Expanding'. Below this, there are tabs for 'Drilldown of Event, Priority, and Classification', 'Table View of Events', and 'Packets'. The 'Event Information' section is expanded, showing details for a message: '(snort\_ml) potential threat found in HTTP parameters via Neural Network Based Exploit Detection (411:1:1)'. The event occurred on '2024-05-06 13:28:55' with a 'low' priority. It was detected on device '10.7.117.156' through ingress interface '10.20.0.1' and egress interface '10.30.0.1'. The source IP is '10.20.34.251' and the destination IP is '10.30.10.157'. The destination port is '80 (http) / tcp'. The HTTP URI is '/joomla/index.php?option=com\_saxumastro&view=savedreading&publicid=1'+AND+EXTRACTVALUE(66,CONCAT(0x5c,CONCAT\_WS(0x203a20,USER()),DATAB.

Firewall Management Center

Overview Analysis Policies Devices Objects Integration Deploy

admin

SECURE

Bookmark This Page | Create Report | Dashboard | View Bookmarks | Search

Predefined Searches

Events By Priority and Classification (switch workflow)

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Expanding

Search Constraints (Edit Search)

Drilldown of Event, Priority, and Classification Table View of Events Packets

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Time 2024-05-06 13:28:55

Classification Unknown Traffic

Priority low

Ingress Security Zone BPInline

Egress Security Zone BPInline

Device 10.7.117.156

Ingress Interface 10.20.0.1

Egress Interface 10.30.0.1

Source IP 10.20.34.251

Source Port / ICMP Type 5793 / tcp

Destination IP 10.30.10.157

Destination Port / ICMP Code 80 (http) / tcp

HTTP Hostname 10.30.10.157

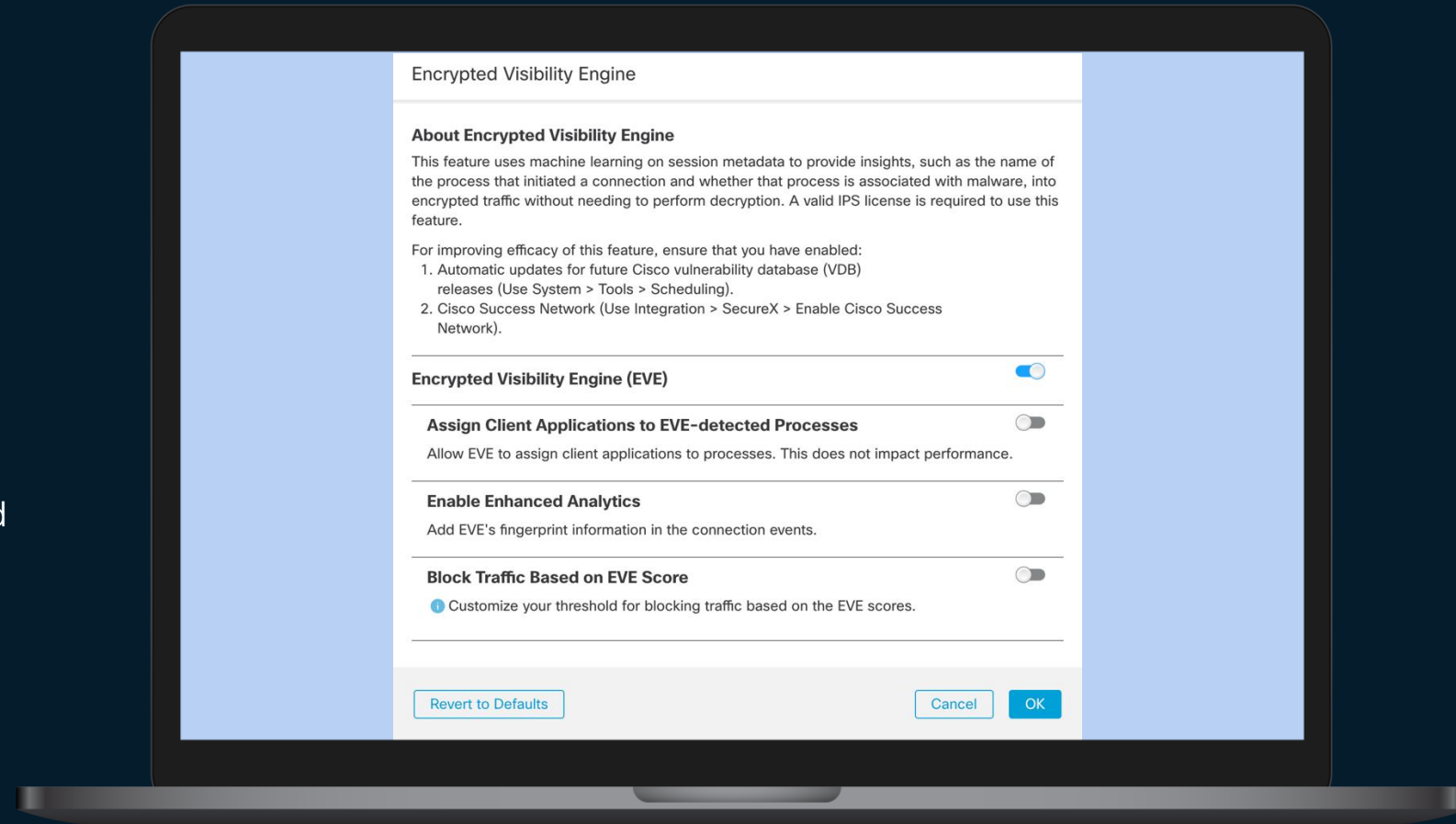
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- A machine learning detection engine detecting known vulnerability types
- Proactive blocking of 0-day exploits
- Identifies variations of attacks

# Gain control over encrypted threats

Without decryption, encrypted visibility engine 2.0 uses AI/ML to block encrypted threats for thorough security, simplicity, privacy and performance

- Simplify encrypted traffic inspection
- Preserved privacy and compliance
- Accelerate firewall performance
- Application visibility and control in encrypted streams
- TLS 1.3 and QUIC protocol support



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Threat Defense

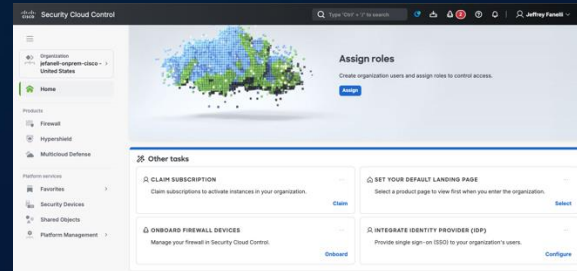
Multicloud  
Defense

Hypershield

Secure  
Access

Secure  
Workload

AI  
Defense



Integrations

Dynamic Objects

Licensing

Provisioning

Tenancy

User Management

RBAC

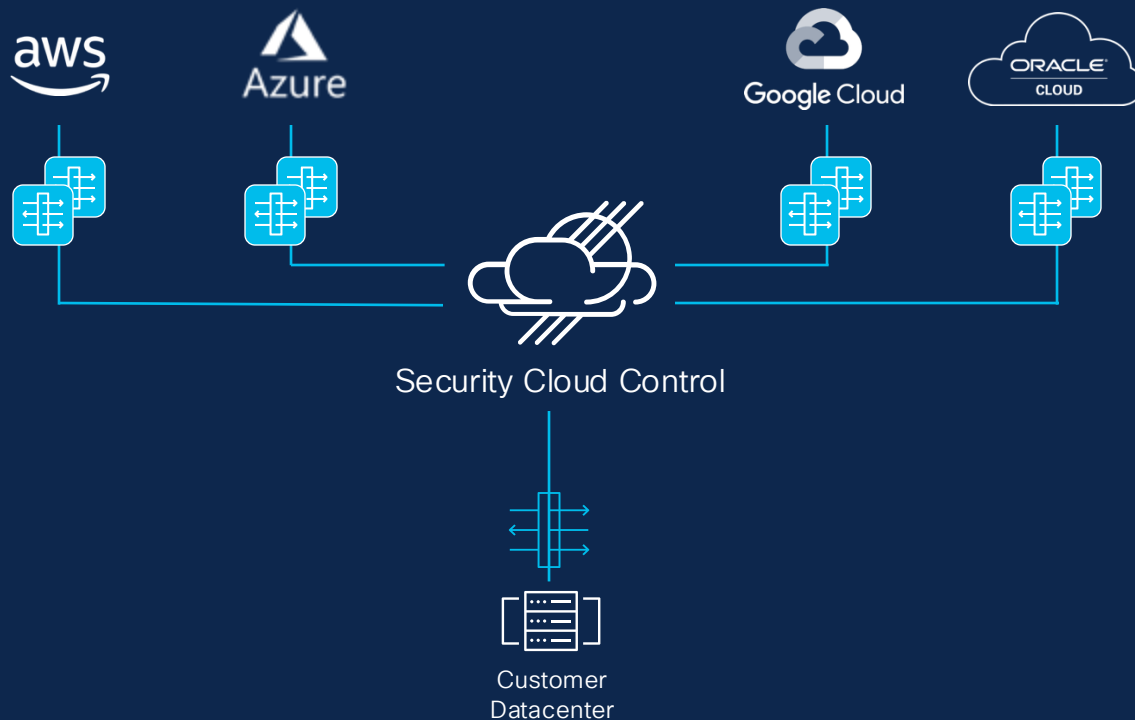
API Gateway

Unified AI Assistant

Common UI Experience

# Extending Firewalling to the cloud, *natively*

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- Cloud-agnostic automation and orchestration
- Comprehensive visibility of clouds, assets, and their risks
- Automatically deploy, scale, and heal, from Security Cloud Control
- Hourly price; unlike other offers based on size and bandwidth

# AI Security Journey

Safely enable generative AI across your organization



## Discovery

Uncover shadow AI workloads, apps, models, and data.



## Detection

Test for AI risk, vulnerabilities, and adversarial attacks



## Protection

Place guardrails and access policies to secure data and defend against runtime threats.

# AI Defense



## Recommended Actions

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Secures sensitive data, prevents unauthorized access, and protects proprietary algorithms from theft or misuse.

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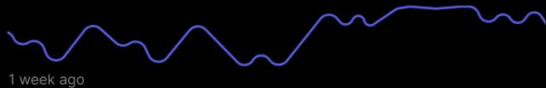
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Model Validation and guardrail recommendations

Runtime enforcement across public and private clouds



# Delivered via the Hybrid Mesh Firewall

EARLY  
ACCESS



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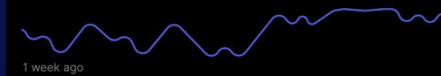
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Cisco  
Security Cloud  
Enforcement Points

Secure Firewall

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Cloud

Hypershield

Secure Access





# ISOVALENT

now part of **CISCO**



Isovalent  
Enterprise Platform is the  
industry-leading solution for  
Kubernetes Networking  
and Security



Isovalent is the eBPF-  
powered foundation for  
Cisco Hypershield  
on Kubernetes,  
public/private cloud VMs,  
and bare-metal servers



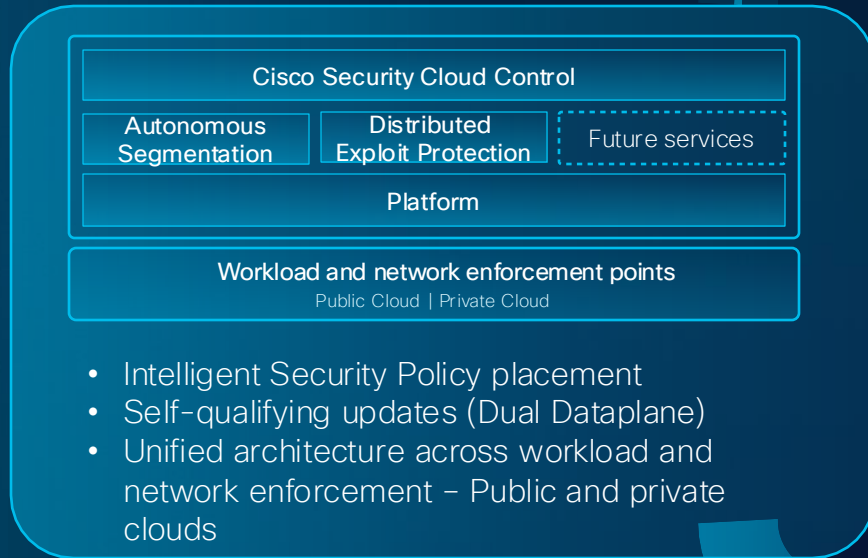
Isovalent delivers a  
consistent layer of  
connectivity and security  
that runs everywhere  
across both  
public & private clouds.

# When Security meets the Network

Cisco Nexus 9000 Services Accelerated Switch (SAS) + Hypershield

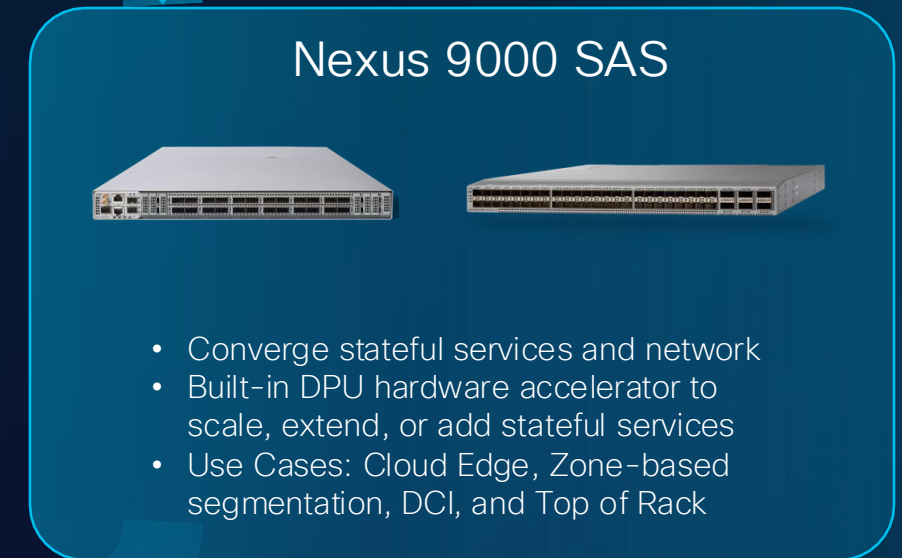
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## Security Hypershield



Compelling  
innovation

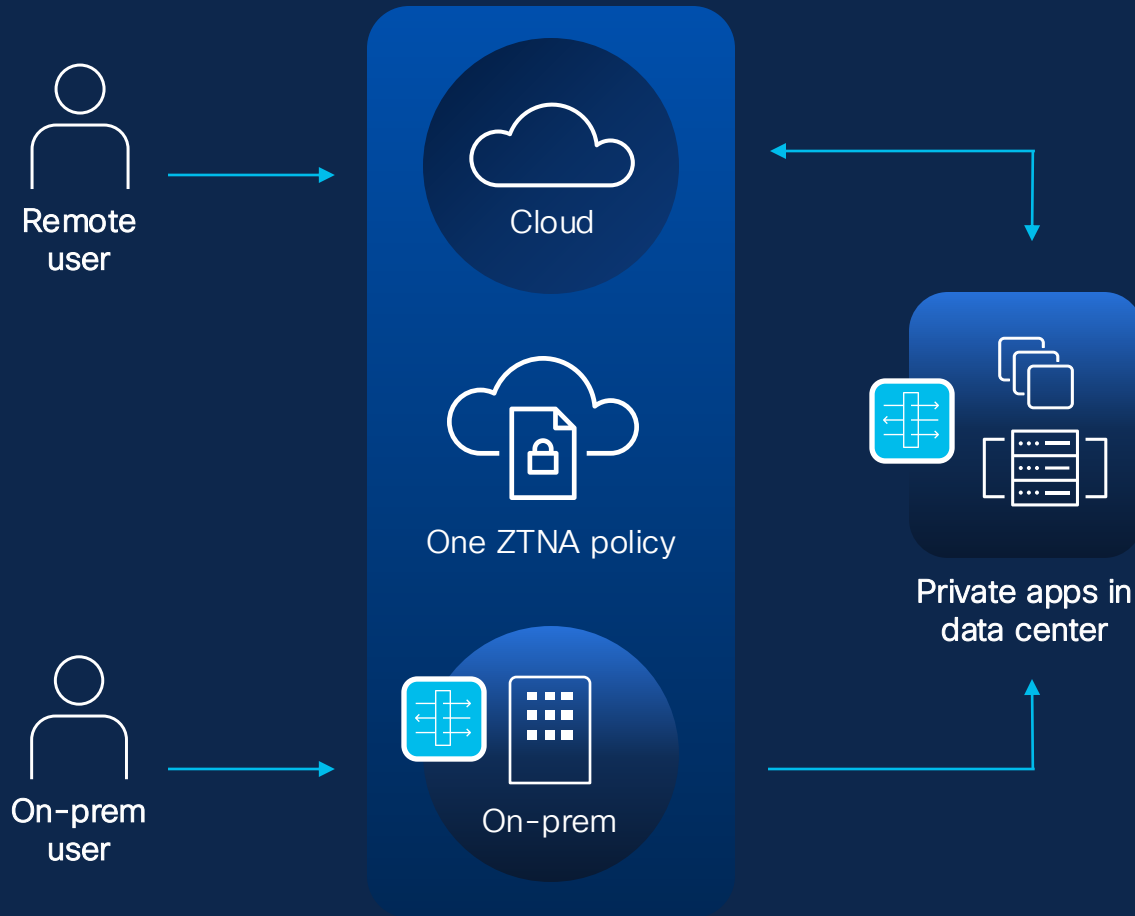
## Network Nexus





# Hybrid Private Access (UZTNA)

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- Single ZTNA policy created and automatically applied from Security Cloud Control
- Cloud and on-prem firewall enforcement, including on-prem inspection for sensitive apps
- Reduced cost and latency when on-prem users access on-prem apps
- No additional infrastructure or purchase to implement

# Hybrid Mesh Firewall – Summary

A security fabric for tomorrow

*L7 Threat Protection*

*Segmentation*

*AI Model Protection*

*Distributed  
Exploit Protection*

Only from Cisco

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