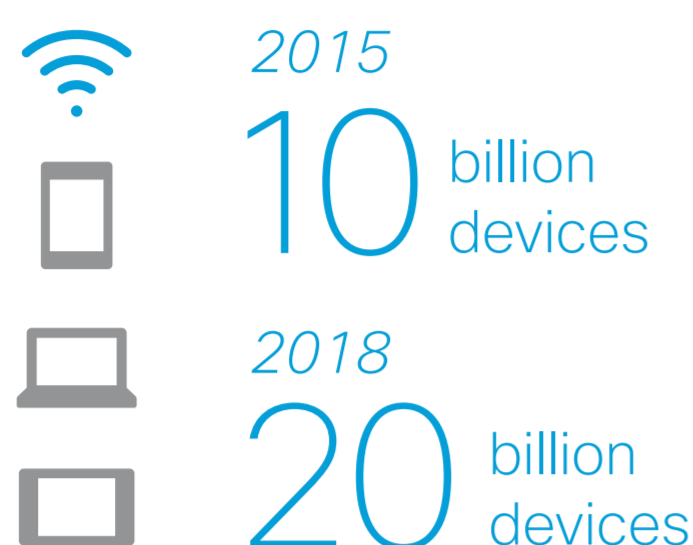


# 5 ways to simplify ops and save your budget



Number of devices connected to networks:



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## Go all-in with SDN.

Software-defined networking (SDN) is essential to staying agile and reducing complexity – manual configuration can't keep up. The Cisco® Application Policy Infrastructure Controller Enterprise Module (APIC EM) offers an open, programmable approach for policy-based management and security.

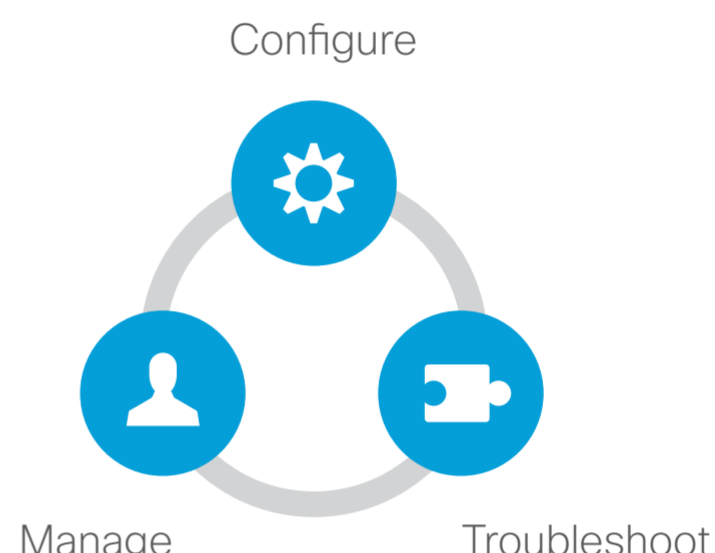
### Something to plan for

By 2018, networks will be 288 times more complex than networks a decade ago.<sup>1</sup>

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## Automate tasks.

In addition to SDN for automated task management, other tools can help simplify network planning, deployment, monitoring and troubleshooting. With Cisco Catalyst® solutions – including [Instant Access](#) and [SmartOperations](#) – save time by automating provisioning and deployment while simplifying network operations.



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## Simplify software purchasing.

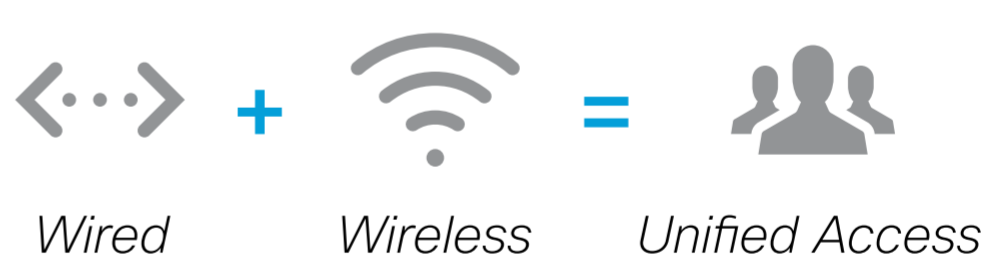
Beyond devices, your network also has to manage a growing list of software. We have added the option to buy software in bundled packages. [Cisco ONE Software](#) simplifies the process by combining hundreds of separately priced software features into a single, comprehensive solution that's easy to manage.



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## Marry your wired and wireless networks.

Simplify and future-proof your network by unifying your wired and wireless networks in a simple, smart and secure way. Get a single solution for management and system-wide policy control and enforcement with [Cisco Unified Access™ \(Cisco UA™\)](#) technology.



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## Saving energy makes sense.

Instead of dumping money into unmanaged energy consumption, bridge the gap between facilities and IT management with the [Cisco Energy Management Suite](#).



Cut energy costs across a distributed office by

35%.



As the modern network grows more demanding and complex, Cisco delivers solutions that make your network more manageable, efficient and productive.

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### Additional resources

5 questions to help you choose between cloud and on-premises networking.

How fast is Fast IT?

1. Beyond the Hype: SDN Delivers Real-World Benefits in Mainstream Enterprises, Gartner, 14 Oct. 2014.