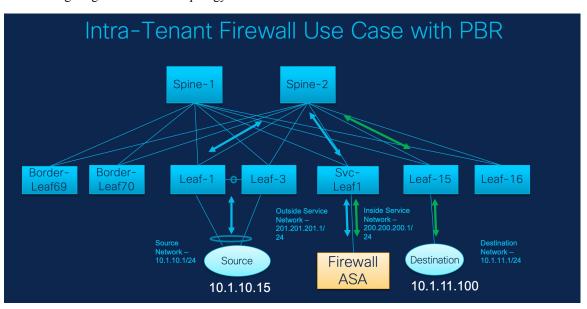


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# **Use Case: Intra-tenant Firewall with Policy-based Routing**

Refer the figure given below for topology details.



In this topology, Leaf1 and Leaf3 are a vPC pair and they are connected to **Source** (10.1.10.15) with the **Source Network** (10.1.10.1/24). The service leaf is connected to the virtual **Firewall ASA** and Leaf-15 is connected to **Destination** (10.1.11.100). In this use case, the source network refers to 'client' and the destination refers to 'server'.

Any traffic that is traversing from **Source** to **Destination** must go to the outside service network, and the firewall performs its function by allowing or denying traffic. This traffic is then routed to the inside service network and on to the Destination network. Since the topology is stateful, the traffic coming back from the destination to the source follows the same path.

Now, let us see how to perform service redirection in NDFC.



Note

- This use-case does not cover how to provision the **Site\_A** VXLAN fabric. For information about this topic, refer to the Cisco Nexus Dashboard Fabric Controller for LAN Configuration Guide
- This use-case does not cover configurations on the service node (firewall or load balancer).

You can navigate to Services tab by one of the following below mentioned paths:

LAN > Services

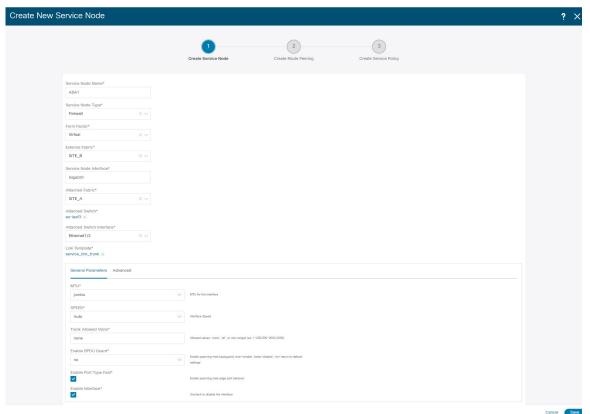
LAN > Fabrics > Fabric Overview > Services

LAN > Switches > Switches Overview > Services

### 1. Create Service Node

#### **Procedure**

 $\textbf{Step 1} \qquad \qquad \text{Navigate LAN} > \textbf{Fabrics} > \textbf{Fabric Overview} > \textbf{Services}.$ 



Step 2 On Services tab, choose Actions > Add.

Step 3 Enter the Service Node Name and specify **Firewall** in the **Service Node Type** dropdown box. The **Service Node Name** must be unique. Step 4 From the **Form Factor** drop-down list, select **Virtual**. Step 5 Choose appropriate external fabric from drop-down list, select the external fabric in which the service node (for example, ASA firewall) is located. Note Ensure that the service nodes need to belong to the external fabric. This is a prerequisite before creating a service node. Step 6 Enter the interface name of the service node that connects to the service leaf. Step 7 Select the attached switch that is the service leaf, and the respective interface on the service leaf. Step 8 Choose **service\_link\_trunk** template. NDFC supports trunk, port channel, and vPC link templates. The available link templates in the Link Template drop-down list are filtered based on the selected Attached Switch Interface type.

Specify the General Parameters and Advanced parameters, if required. Some parameters are pre-filled with

## 2. Create Route Peering

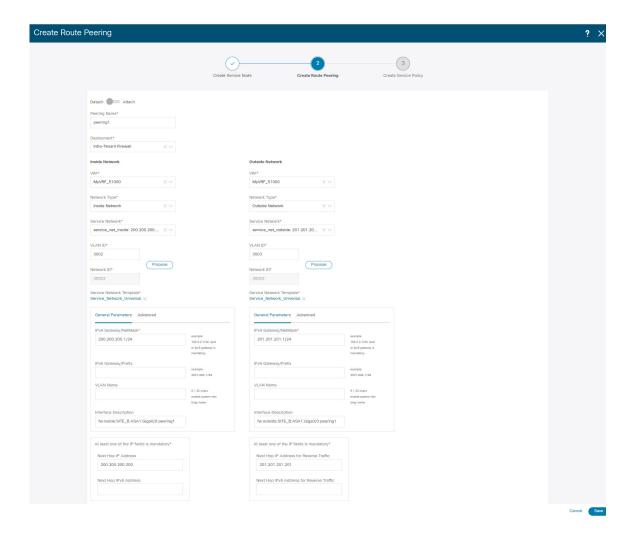
the default values.

Click **Save** to save the created service node.

Step 9

Step 10

Let us now configure the peering between a service leaf and a service node.



#### **Procedure**

- **Step 1** Enter the peering name and select **Intra-Tenant Firewall** from the **Deployment** drop-down list.
- Step 2 Under Inside Network, from the VRF drop-down list, select a VRF that exists and select Inside Network under Network Type.

Enter the name of the **Service Network** and specify the **Vlan ID**. You can also click **Propose** to allow NDFC to fetch the next available VLAN ID from the specified service network VLAN ID range in the fabric settings. The default **Service Network Template** is **Service\_Network\_Universal**.

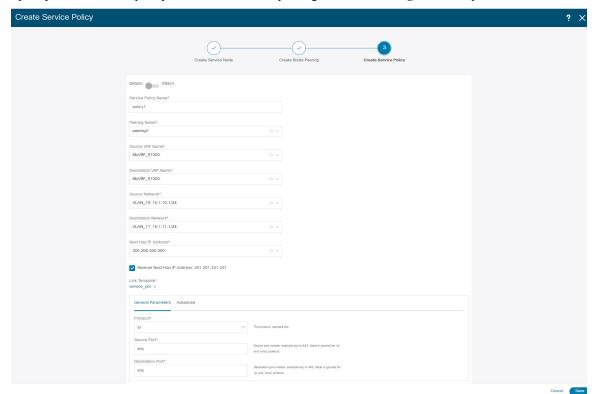
Under the **General Parameters** tab, specify the gateway address for the service network. Specify the **Next Hop IP Address**. This next hop address has to be within the 'inside service network' subnet. Under the **Advanced** tab, the default **Routing Tag** value is 12345.

- Step 3 Specify the required parameters under Outside Network and specify the Next Hop IP Address for Reverse Traffic. This next hop address for reverse traffic needs to be within the 'outside service network' subnet.
- **Step 4** Click **Save** to save the created route peering.

## 3. Create Service Policy

#### **Procedure**

**Step 1** Specify a name for the policy and select the route peering from the **Peering Name** drop-down list.



- Step 2 Select the source and destination VRFs from Source VRF Name and Destination VRF Name drop-down lists. The source and destination VRFs for an intra-tenant firewall deployment have to be the same.
- Select the source and destination networks from **Source Network** and **Destination Network** drop-down lists, or specify the source or destination network that is within the network subnets defined in **Fabric Overview** > **Services** window.
- **Step 4** The next hop and reverse next hop fields are populated based on the values entered while creating the route peering. Select the check box next to **Reverse Next Hop IP Address** field to enable policy enforcement on reverse traffic.
- Step 5 Under the General Parameters tab in the policy template, select ip from Protocol dropdown list, and specify any in Source Port and Destination Port fields.

#### Note

For **ip** and **icmp** protocols, **any** source and destination port is used for ACL generation. You can also select a different protocol and specify the corresponding source and destination ports. NDFC converts well-known port numbers to match the format required by the switch. For example, you can convert port 80 to 'www'.

- **Step 6** Under **Advanced** tab, by default **permit** is selected for **Route Map Action** and **none** is selected for **Next Hop Option**. You can change these values, and customize the ACL name and route map match sequence number, if required. For more information, refer *Templates* section in the Layer 4-Layer 7 Service chapter.
- **Step 7** Click **Save** to save the created service policy.

This completes procedures to perform and specify the flows for redirection.

## 5. Deploy Service Policy

- 1. On Services tab, on the Service Policy window choose the required peering.
- **2.** Choose **Actions** > **Deploy**.

The **Deploy Service Policy** window appears.

**3.** Click **Deploy** to confirm deployment.

### 4. Deploy Route Peering

- 1. On Services tab, on the Route Peering window choose the required peering.
- 2. Choose Actions > Deploy.

The **Deploy Route Peering** window appears.

3. Click **Deploy** to confirm deployment.

### 6. View Stats

Now that the respective redirection policies are deployed, the corresponding traffic will be redirected to the firewall.

To visualize this scenario in NDFC, click the service policy, a slide-in pane appears.

You can view the cumulative statistics for a policy in a specified time range.

Statistics are displayed for:

- Forwarding traffic on the source switch
- · Reversed traffic on the destination switch
- Traffic in both directions on the service switch

### 7. View Traffic Flow in Fabric Builder

The service node in the external fabric is attached to the service leaf, and this external fabric shown as a cloud icon in NDFC topology.

#### **Procedure**

- **Step 1** Click the service leaf, a slide-in pane appears and click **Show more flows**. You can see the flows that are redirected.
- **Step 2** Click **Details** in the **Service Flows** window to display attachment details.

## 8. Visualize Redirected Flows to Destination in the Topology window

#### **Procedure**

- **Step 1** Click **Topology** and click on leafs to visualize the redirected flows to destination.
- **Step 2** Select **Redirected Flows** from the drop-down list.
- Step 3 Select a policy from the drop-down list or initiate a search by entering a policy name, source network, and destination network in the search field. The search field is autopopulated based on your input.

The switches, on which the source and destination network is attached and the flows are redirected and highlighted.

**Step 4** The service node is shown as connected by a dotted line to the leaf switch on the topology window. Hover over the dotted line to get more information about the interface.

The traffic from **Source** traverses to the service leaf where the firewall is configured.

Based on firewall rules, traffic is allowed to reach the destination, Leaf 15.

# **Use Case: Inter-tenant Firewall with eBGP Peering**

Refer to figure given below for topology details.

In this topology, es-leaf1 and es-leaf2 are vPC border leaf switches.

Now, let us see how to perform service redirection in NDFC.

This use-case consists of the following steps:



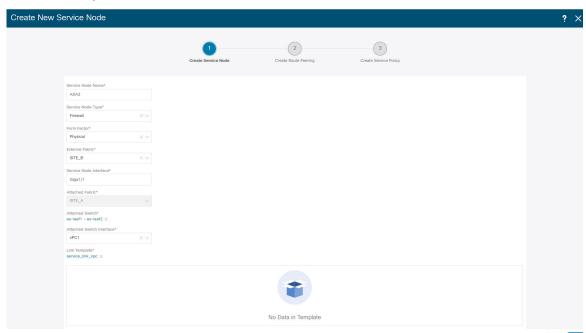
Note

- As some steps are similar to the steps given in the Intra-tenant Firewall deployment use- case, reference links added to the steps in that use-case.
- Service policies are not applicable on Inter-tenant firewall deployments.

### 1. Create Service Node

#### **Procedure**

- Step 1 Navigate to LAN > Fabrics > Fabric Overview > Services.
- Step 2 On Services tab, choose Actions > Add.



- Step 3 Enter service node name, choose Firewall in the Service Node Type dropdown box. The Service Node Name must be unique.
- **Step 4** From the **Form Factor** drop-down list, choose **Virtual**.
- **Step 5** From the **External Fabric** drop-down list, choose the external fabric in which the service node (for example, ASA firewall) is located.

Note

Ensure that service nodes need to belong to the external fabric. This is a prerequisite before creating a service node.

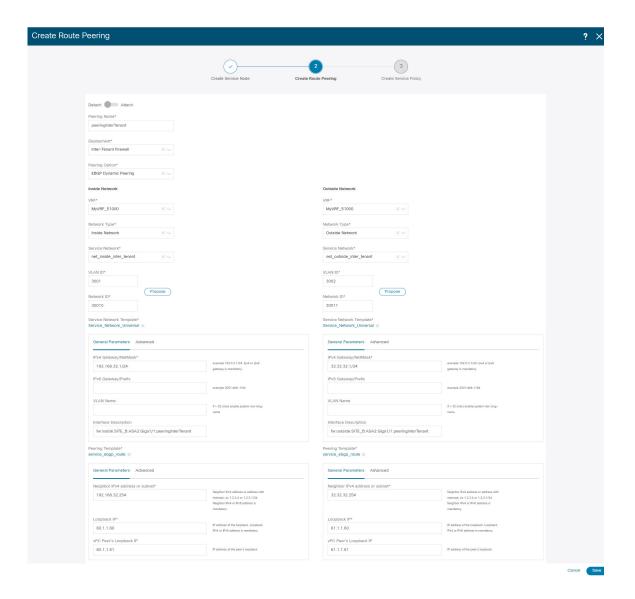
- **Step 6** Enter the interface name of the service node that connects to the service leaf.
- **Step 7** Select the attached switch that is the service leaf, and the respective interface on the service leaf.
- Step 8 Select the service\_link\_trunk template. NDFC supports trunk, port channel, and vPC link templates. The available link templates in the Link Template drop-down list are filtered based on the selected Attached Switch Interface type.
- **Step 9** If required, specify **General Parameters**, and **Advanced**. Some parameters are pre-filled with default values.
- **Step 10** Click **Save** to save the created service node.

#### Note

For more sample screenshots, refer 1. Create Service Node, on page 2 section in the Intra-tenant firewall with policy-based routing use case.

## 2. Create Route Peering

Let us now configure the peering between a service leaf and a service node.



#### **Procedure**

- **Step 1** Enter the peering name and select **Inter-Tenant Firewall** from the **Deployment** drop-down list. From the **Peering Option** drop-down list, select **eBGP Dynamic Peering**.
- Step 2 Under Inside Networkfrom the VRF drop-down list, select a VRF that exists and select Inside Network under Network Type.

Enter the name of **Service Network**, specify **Vlan ID**. You can click **Propose** to allow NDFC to fetch the next available VLAN ID from specified service network VLAN ID range in the fabric settings. The default **Service Network Template** is **Service\_Network\_Universal**.

Under **General Parameters** tab, specify the gateway address for the service network. Specify **Next Hop IP Address**. This next hop address has to be within the 'inside service network' subnet. Under the **Advanced** tab, the default **Routing Tag** value is 12345.

**Step 3** The default Peering Template for eBGP dynamic peering is **service\_ebgp\_route**.

Under General Parameters tab, specify Neighbor IPv4 address, Loopback IP address, and vPC Peer's Loopback IP address. The border switches are a vPC pair.

Step 4 Under the Advanced tab, specify the Local ASN and select the Advertise Host Routes checkbox. This local ASN value is used to override the system ASN on the switch and is required to avoid routing loops.

If the **Advertise Host Routes** checkbox is selected, the /32 and /128 routes are shown. If this checkbox is not selected, the prefix routes will be shown.

By default, the **Enable Interface** checkbox is selected.

- Step 5 Specify the required parameters under Outside Network and specify the Next Hop IP Address for Reverse Traffic. This next hop address for reverse traffic needs to be within the 'outside service network' subnet.
- **Step 6** The default Peering Template for eBGP dynamic peering is **service\_ebgp\_route**.

Under the **General Parameters** tab, **Neighbor IPv4** address, **Loopback IP** address, and **vPC Peer's Loopback IP** address. The leaf switches are a vPC pair.

Step 7 Under the Advanced tab, specify the Local ASN and select the Advertise Host Routes checkbox. This local ASN value is used to override the system ASN on the switch and is required to avoid routing loops.

If the **Advertise Host Routes** checkbox is selected, the /32 and /128 routes are advertised. If this checkbox is not selected, the prefix routes will be advertised.

By default, the **Enable Interface** checkbox is selected.

**Step 8** Click **Save** to save the created route peering.

### 3. Deploy Route Peering

Refer to 4. Deploy Route Peering, on page 6 in the Intra-Tenant Firewall deployment use-case. Ensure that the **InterTenantFW** is displayed under **Deployment**.

The BGP configuration on the vPC border leaf for this use-case is given below.

```
router bgp 12345
router-id 10.2.0.1
address-family 12vpn evpn
 advertise-pip
neighbor 10.2.0.4
 remote-as 12345
 update-source loopback0
 address-family 12vpn evpn
  send-community
   send-community extended
vrf myvrf 50001
 address-family ipv4 unicast
  advertise 12vpn evpn
  redistribute direct route-map fabric-rmap-redist-subnet
  maximum-paths ibgp 2
 address-family ipv6 unicast
  advertise 12vpn evpn
  redistribute direct route-map fabric-rmap-redist-subnet
  maximum-paths ibgp 2
 neighbor 192.168.32.254
```

```
remote-as 9876
 local-as 65501 no-prepend replace-as // Note: This configuration corresponds to the Local
ASN template parameter value of the service ebgp route template of the inside network with
VRF myvrf 50001. The no-prepend replace-as keyword is generated along with the local-as
command.
  update-source loopback2
  ebgp-multihop 5
 address-family ipv4 unicast
  send-community
   send-community extended
   route-map extcon-rmap-filter-allow-host out
vrf myvrf 50002
 address-family ipv4 unicast
 advertise 12vpn evpn
  redistribute direct route-map fabric-rmap-redist-subnet
 maximum-paths ibqp 2
 address-family ipv6 unicast
  advertise 12vpn evpn
 redistribute direct route-map fabric-rmap-redist-subnet
 maximum-paths ibgp 2
neighbor 32.32.32.254
 remote-as 9876
 local-as 65502 no-prepend replace-as // Note: This configuration corresponds to the Local
ASN template parameter value of the service ebgp route template of the outside network
with VRF myvrf 50002. The no-prepend replace-as keyword is generated along with the local-as
 command.
 update-source loopback3
  ebgp-multihop 5
  address-family ipv4 unicast
   send-community
   send-community extended
   route-map extcon-rmap-filter-allow-host out
```

The loopback interface configuration on the vPC switch es-leaf1 for this use-case is given below. The loopback interfaces in the configuration correspond to the 'Loopback IP' parameter of the **service\_ebgp\_route** template. Two loopback interfaces are created automatically on each vPC switch for two separate VRF instances using **Loopback IP** parameter values that are specified in the **service\_ebgp\_route** template.

```
interface loopback2
vrf member myvrf_50001
ip address 60.1.1.60/32 tag 12345
interface loopback3
vrf member myvrf_50002
ip address 61.1.1.60/32 tag 12345
```

The loopback interface config on vPC peer switch es-leaf2:

```
interface loopback2
  vrf member myvrf_50001
  ip address 60.1.1.61/32 tag 12345
interface loopback3
  vrf member myvrf_50002
  ip address 61.1.1.61/32 tag 12345
```

## **Use Case: One-arm Load Balancer**

Refer figure given below for topology details.

In this topology, es-leaf1 and es-leaf2 are vPC leafs.

Now, let us see how to perform service redirection in NDFC.

You can navigate to **Services** tab by one of the following below mentioned paths:

#### LAN > Services

This use-case consists of the following steps:



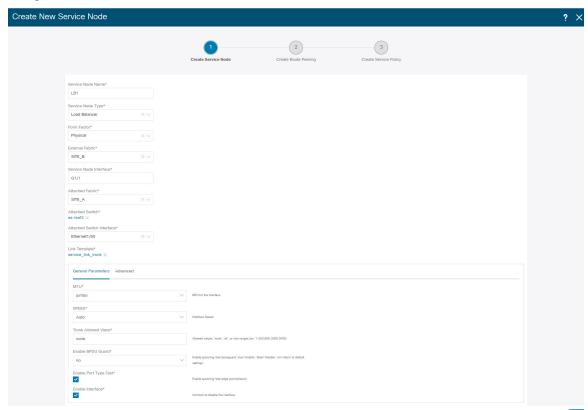
Note

As some steps are similar to the steps given in the Intra-tenant Firewall deployment use-case, reference links provided to the steps in that use-case.

### 1. Create Service Node

#### **Procedure**

Step 1 Navigate to LAN > Fabrics > Fabric Overview > Services



- **Step 2** Click the **Add** icon in the **Service Nodes** window.
- Step 3 Enter the node name and specify **Load Balancer** in the **Type** dropdown box. The **Service Node Name** must be unique.

- **Step 4** From the **Form Factor** drop-down list, select **Virtual**.
- In the **Switch Attachment** section, from the **External Fabric** drop-down list, select the external fabric in which the service node (for example, ASA firewall) is located. Note that the service nodes need to belong to the external fabric. This is a prerequisite before creating a service node.
- **Step 6** Enter the interface name of the service node that connects to the service leaf.
- **Step 7** Select the attached switch that is the service leaf, and the respective interface on the service leaf.
- Step 8 Select the service\_link\_trunk template. NDFC supports trunk, port channel, and vPC link templates. The available link templates in the Link Template drop-down list are filtered based on the selected Attached Switch Interface type.
- **Step 9** Specify **General Parameters** and **Advanced** parameters, if required. Some parameters are pre-filled with the default values.
- **Step 10** Click **Save** to save the created service node.

#### Note

For more sample screenshots, refer 1. Create Service Node, on page 2 in the Intra-tenant firewall with policy-based routing use case.

### 2. Create Route Peering

Let us now configure peering between a service leaf and a service node. In this use-case, we configure static route peering.

#### **Procedure**

Step 1 Enter the peering name and select **One-Arm Mode** from the **Deployment** drop-down list. Also, from the **Peering Option** dropdown list, select **Static Peering**.

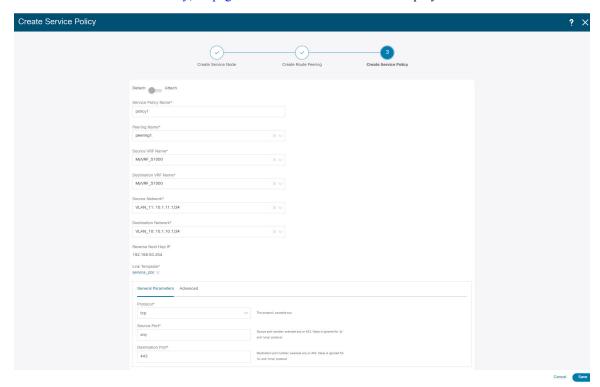
- Step 2 Under First Arm, specify the required values. From the VRF dropdown list, select a VRF that exists and select First Arm under Network Type.
- Step 3 Enter the name of Service Network and specify Vlan ID. Click Propose to allow NDFC to fetch the next available VLAN ID from the specified service network VLAN ID range in the fabric settings. The default Service Network Template is Service\_Network\_Universal.

Under the **General Parameters** tab, specify the gateway address for the service network. Specify the **Next Hop IP Address**. This next hop address has to be within the first arm's subnet. Under the **Advanced** tab, the default **Routing Tag** value is 12345.

- **Step 4** The default **Peering Template** is **service\_static\_route**. Add routes, as required, in the **Static Routes** field.
- **Step 5** Specify **Next Hop IP Address** for Reverse Traffic.
- **Step 6** Click **Save** to save the created route peering.

## 3. Create Service Policy

Refer to 3. Create Service Policy, on page 5 in the Intra-Tenant Firewall deployment use-case.



### 4. Deploy Route Peering

Refer to 4. Deploy Route Peering, on page 6 in the Intra-tenant Firewall deployment use-case. Note that **OneArmADC** is displayed under **Deployment**.

### 5. Deploy Service Policy

Refer to 5. Deploy Service Policy, on page 6 in the Intra-tenant Firewall deployment use-case. However, as there are two servers in this load balancer use-case, two service policies to be defined with each server network.

### 6. View Stats

Refer to 6. View Stats, on page 6 in the Intra-Tenant Firewall deployment use-case.

### 7. View Traffic Flow in Fabric Builder

Refer to 7. View Traffic Flow in Fabric Builder, on page 6 in the Intra-Tenant Firewall deployment use-case.

## 8. Visualize Redirected Flows to Destination in the Topology window

Refer to 8. Visualize Redirected Flows to Destination in the Topology window, on page 7 in the Intra-Tenant Firewall deployment use-case.

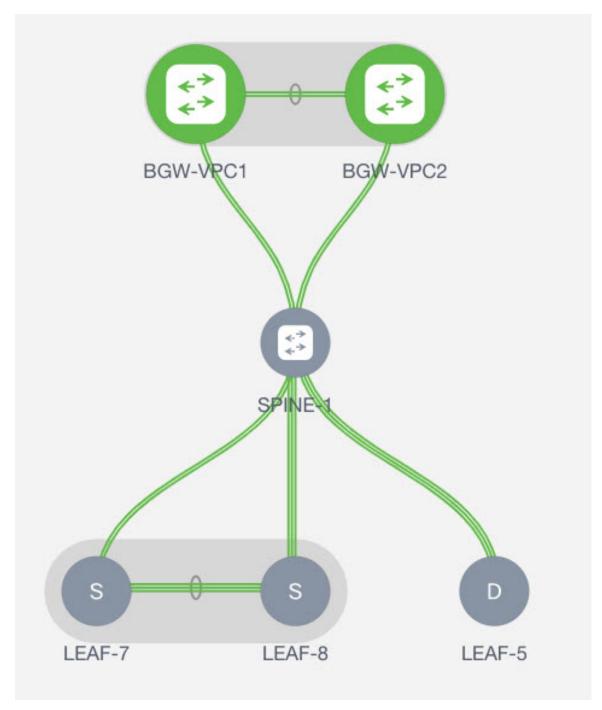
The VRF configuration on the service leaf is as given below.

```
interface Vlan2000
vrf member myvrf 50001
ip policy route-map rm myvrf 50001
interface Vlan2306
vrf member myvrf 50001
vrf context myvrf 50001
vni 50001
ip route 55.55.55.55/32 192.168.50.254 // Note: This is the static route
rd auto
address-family ipv4 unicast
 route-target both auto
 route-target both auto evpn
address-family ipv6 unicast
 route-target both auto
 route-target both auto evpn
router bgp 12345
vrf myvrf 50001
 address-family ipv4 unicast
   advertise 12vpn evpn
   redistribute direct route-map fabric-rmap-redist-subnet
   redistribute static route-map fabric-rmap-redist-static
  maximum-paths ibgp 2
  address-family ipv6 unicast
   advertise 12vpn evpn
   redistribute direct route-map fabric-rmap-redist-subnet
   redistribute static route-map fabric-rmap-redist-static
   maximum-paths ibgp 2
```

### **Use Case: One-arm Firewall**

Starting from Cisco NDFC Release 12.1.1e, a new deployment One-arm firewall is added.

Refer to the figure for topology details. In this topology, BGW-VPC1 and BGW-VPC2 are vPC Border Gateway which is added as service switches. LEAF-7 and LEAF-8 are vPC leaf switches for which Source (S) network of the redirected flow is attached. LEAF-5 is attached to Destination (D) network of the redirected flow.



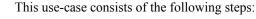
Now, let us see how to perform service redirection in NDFC.

You can navigate to **Services** tab by one of the following mentioned paths:

#### LAN > Services

For selected Easy fabric, LAN > Fabrics > Fabric Overview > Services

For selected (leaf, border, and border gateway) switches, LAN > Switches > Switches Overview > Services





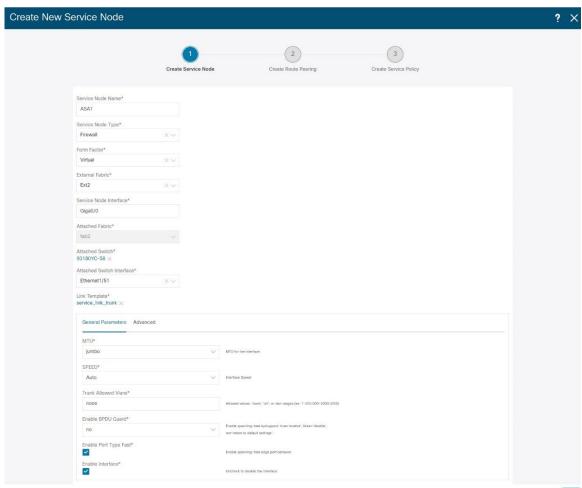
Note

As some steps are similar to the steps given in the Intra-tenant Firewall deployment use case, reference links added to the steps in that use-case.

### 1. Create Service Node

#### **Procedure**

### Step 1 Navigate to LAN > Fabrics > Fabric Overview > Services



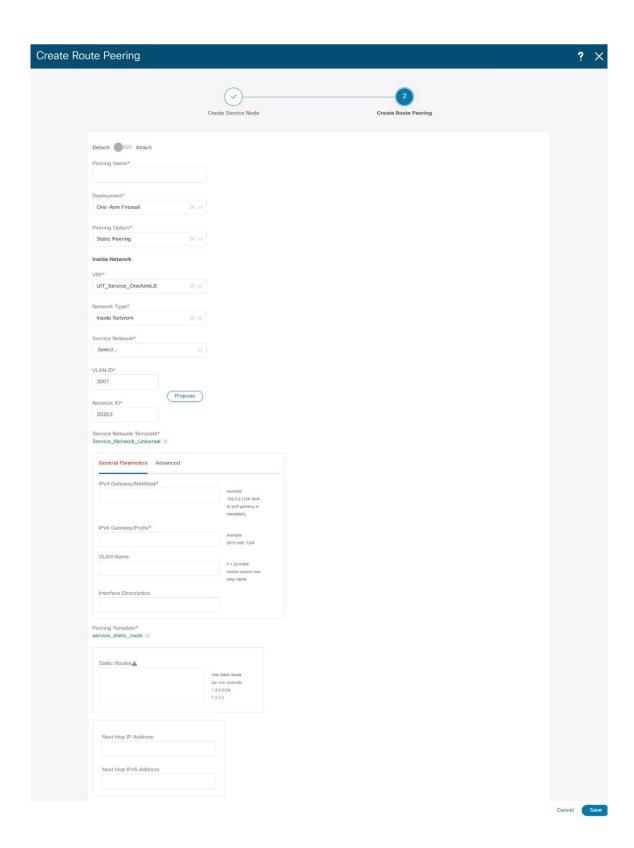
- Step 2 Click the Add icon in the Service Nodes window.
- **Step 3** Enter the node name and specify **Firewall** in the **Type** dropdown box. The **Service Node Name** must be unique.
- **Step 4** From the **Form Factor** drop-down list, select **Virtual**.
- Step 5 In the Switch Attachment section, from the External Fabric drop-down list, select the external fabric in which the service node (for example, ASA firewall) is located. Note that the service nodes need to belong to the external fabric. This is a prerequisite before creating a service node.
- **Step 6** Enter the interface name of the service node that will be connected to the service leaf.
- **Step 7** Select the attached switch that is the service leaf, and the respective interface on the service leaf.
- Step 8 Select the service\_link\_trunk template. NDFC supports trunk, port channel, and vPC link templates. The available link templates in the Link Template drop-down list are filtered based on the selected Attached Switch Interface type.
- **Step 9** Specify the **General Parameters** and **Advanced** parameters, if required. Some parameters are pre-filled with the default values.
- **Step 10** Click **Save** to save the created service node.

#### Note

For more sample screenshots, refer 1. Create Service Node, on page 2 in the Intra-tenant firewall with policy-based routing use case.

## 2. Create Route Peering

Let us now configure peering between a service leaf and a service node. In this use-case, we configure static route peering.



#### **Procedure**

Step 1 Enter the peering name and select **One-Arm Firewall** from the **Deployment** drop-down list. Also, from the **Peering Option** dropdown list, choose **Static Peering**.

#### Note

You can also choose eBGP Peering option.

- **Step 2** In **Inside Network**, specify the required values. From the **VRF** dropdown list, select a VRF that exists and select **Inside Network** under Network Type.
- Step 3 Enter the name of Service Network, specify Vlan ID, and Network ID. You can click Propose to allow NDFC to fetch the next available Vlan ID from the specified service network Vlan ID range and the next available Network ID from the specified Layer 2 VXLAN VNI range defined in the fabric settings. The default Service Network Template is Service\_Network\_Universal.

Under the **General Parameters** tab, specify the gateway address for the service network. Specify the **Next Hop IP Address**. This next hop address has to be within the inside network's subnet. Under the **Advanced** tab, the default **Routing Tag** value is 12345.

- Step 4 The default **Peering Template** for static peering is **service\_static\_route**. Add routes, as required, in the **Static Routes** field.
- **Step 5** Click **Save** to save the created route peering.

### 3. Create Service Policy

Refer to 3. Create Service Policy, on page 5 in the Intra-Tenant Firewall deployment use-case.

### 4. Deploy Route Peering

Refer to 4. Deploy Route Peering, on page 6 in the Intra-tenant Firewall deployment use-case.

### 5. Deploy Service Policy

Refer to 5. Deploy Service Policy, on page 6 in the Intra-tenant Firewall deployment use-case.

### 6. View Stats

Now that the respective redirection policies are deployed, the corresponding traffic will be redirected to the firewall.

To visualize this scenario in NDFC, click the service policy, a slide-in pane appears.

You can view the cumulative statistics for a policy in a specified time range.

Statistics are displayed for:

• Forwarding traffic on the source switch

- Reversed traffic on the destination switch
- Traffic in both directions on the service switch

# 8. Visualize Redirected Flows to Destination in the Topology window

Refer to 8. Visualize Redirected Flows to Destination in the Topology window, on page 7 in the Intra-Tenant Firewall deployment use-case.