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Agenda

- Paragon Active Assurance (PAA)

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Stakeholder Management • Strategic Planning • Technology Leadership and Direction

Overview: Network Architect working in the UK SP space for nearly 15 years, with a deep passion for end user experience and working with SP to deliver efficient future proof networks with the end user in mind.

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Personal Mission Statement:

“My passion is for designing networks focused on customer experience.”

Simon Beevers

Junipers Mission Statement:

“...we need to get the network out of the way, so we can focus on executing strategies and driving business forward.”

Rami Rahim

[https://blogs.juniper.net/en-us/service-provider-transformation/juniper-moves-the-network-out-of-the-way-so-you-can-focus-on-customer-experience.](https://blogs.juniper.net/en-us/service-provider-transformation/juniper-moves-the-network-out-of-the-way-so-you-can-focus-on-customer-experience)

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Paragon Active Assurance (PAA)

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What is Paragon Active Assurance (PAA)?

This offers end-to-end monitoring of your network and can give the customer service(s) that you've just provisioned an accurate and clear 'birth certificate'.

Ease of use:

- Networking KPIs out-of-the-box
- Instant SaaS

Deep networking capabilities:

- L2 to L7 traffic generation
- Flexible networking

Automated testing and monitoring:

- Validate deliveries & changes
- Real-time data plane monitoring

Reality Check – Customers First to Find Problems



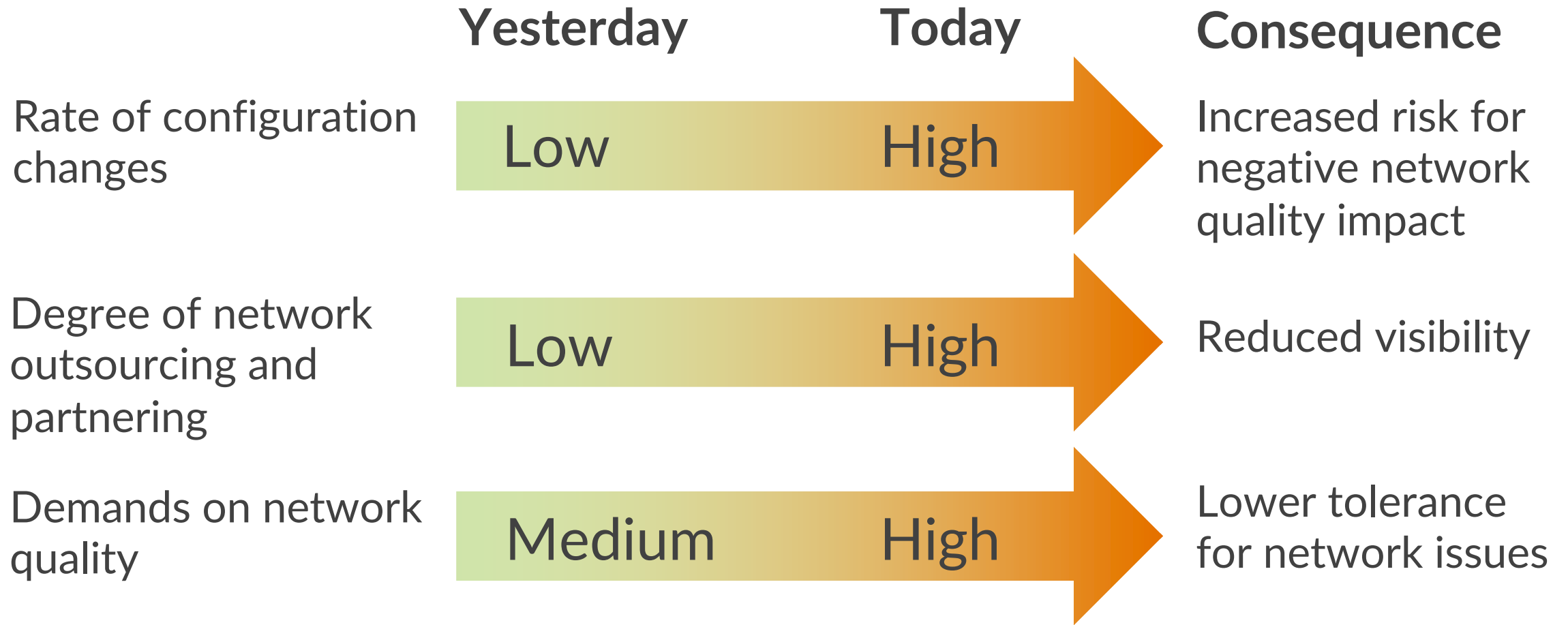
60% of network problems are discovered first by end-users – or not reported at all

Source: Independently conducted survey of 200 US enterprises, requested by Netrounds in May 2019

Business impact

Operations spending most of their time in “War Rooms”

Underlying Reasons Why Users Discover Problems



Reality Check – Services Not Tested Thoroughly



DO NOTHING



SIMPLE PING



FIELD EFFORTS SOMETIMES



Business impact

Failed deliveries lead to bad reputation and churn, plus expensive repair

One Solution for the Operational Service Lifecycle

Validate Designs and Changes

● ● ● Eng Ops

1

Synthetic testing at operational load scale before release

Example Service Activation Testing:

- ✓ One-way Jitter
- ✓ Packet Loss
- ✓ Service Latency
- ✓ QoS Prioritization

Augment service change with comprehensive synthetic testing

Discover Issues Earlier

● ● ● Ops

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Non-intrusive active monitoring



Monitor end-to-end SLAs using active traffic with realtime KPI drill-down

Resolve Problems Faster

● ● ● Eng Ops

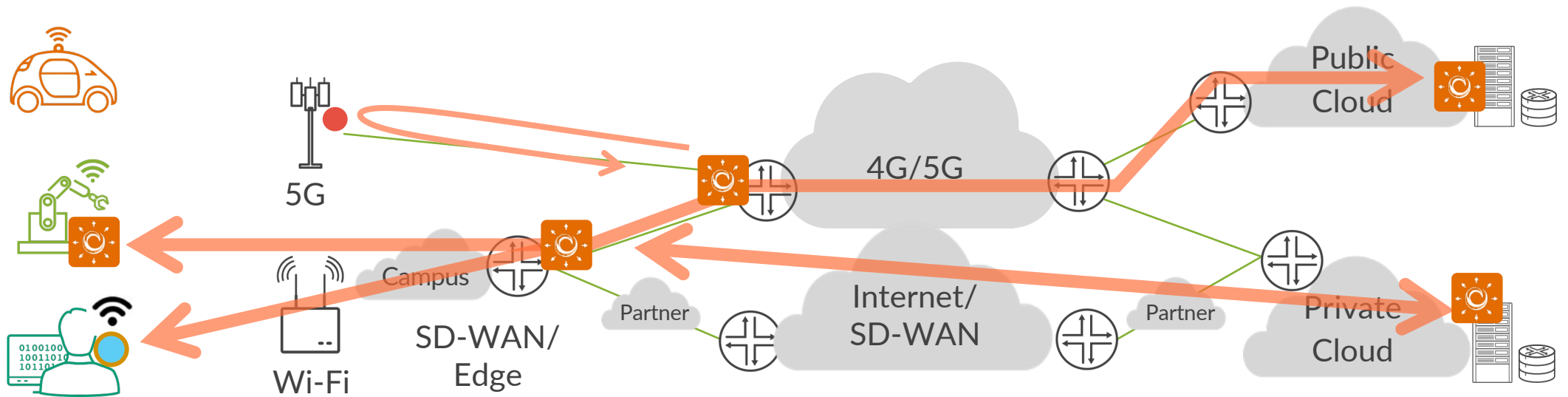
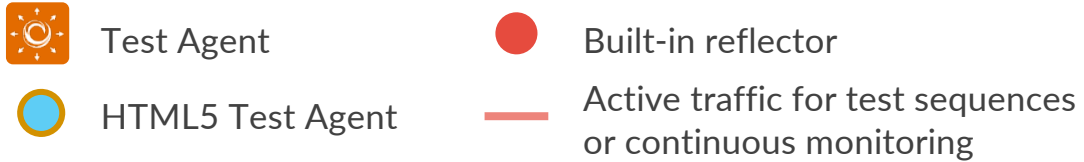
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Troubleshooting tests for reduced restoration time



Automate troubleshooting at any location in service delivery chain

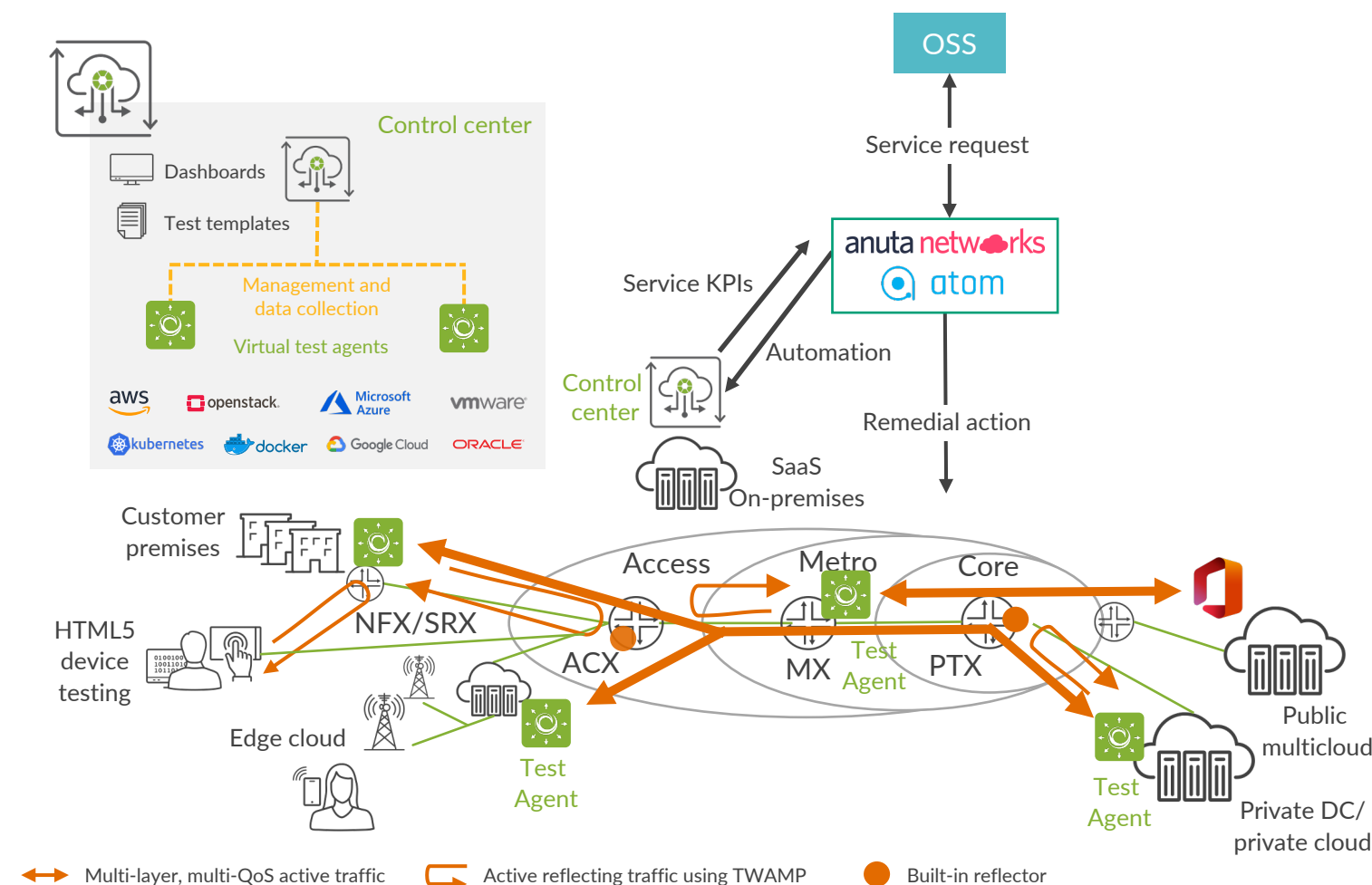
Paragon Active Assurance: Active Traffic on the Data Plane



Data plane measurements required to understand and resolve quality issues

Validate service quality with Active Assurance

Paragon Active Assurance



Assures customer experience

- Confirm service levels support business objectives
- Validate changes, ensure nothing breaks
- L2-L7 service quality metrics

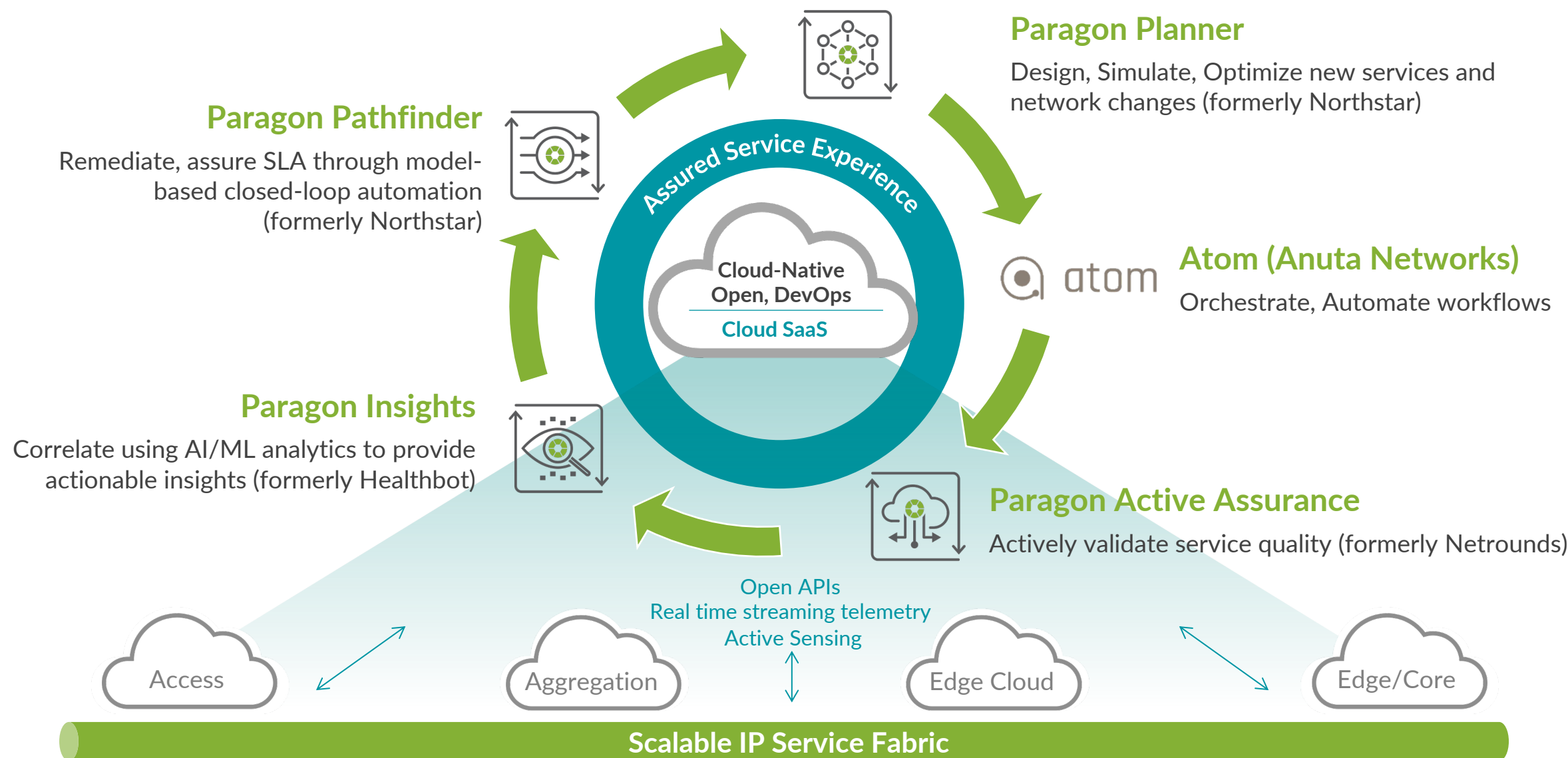
Accelerates time to revenue

- Automate turn-up testing processes
- Simple deployment for visibility across complex networks
- Cloud-ready SaaS or on-premises deployment

Shortens time to resolution

- Empower operation engineers with real-time data plane monitoring
- Quickly locate issues in end-to-end service chain
- Gain visibility over third-party provider networks
- Confirm performance in virtualized networks

Juniper Paragon Automation Powers the WAN



Paragon Automation On-Prem & SAAS in 2021

On-Prem

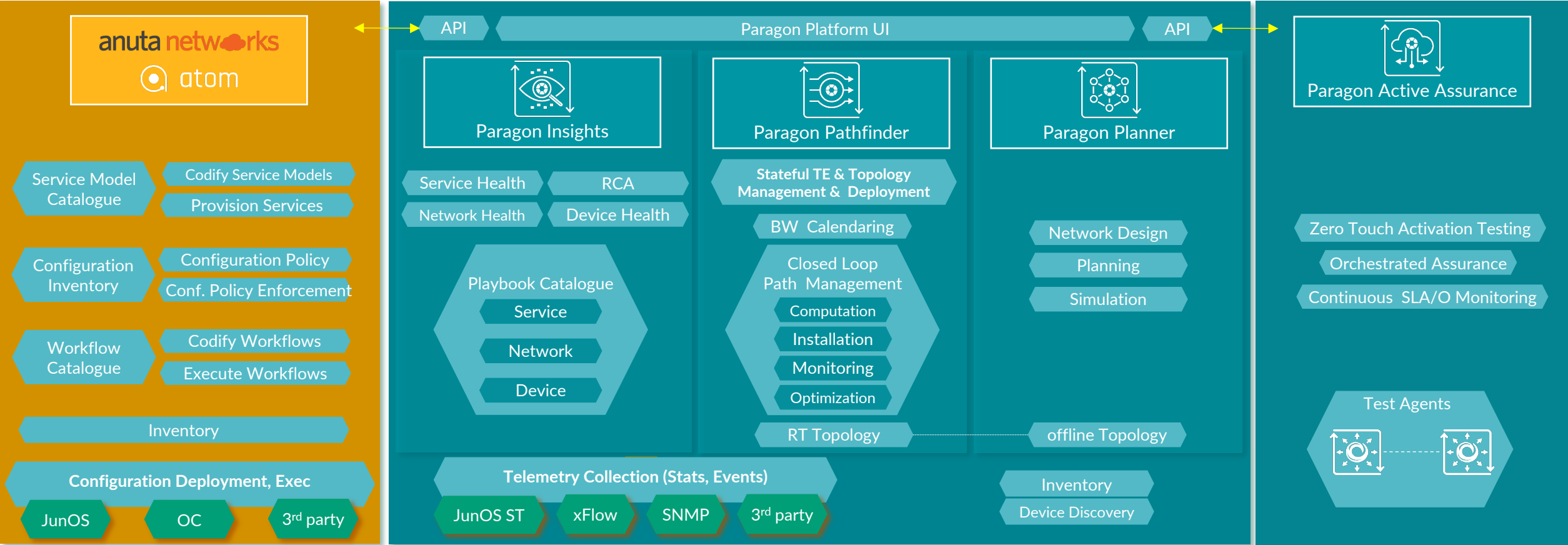
SAAS/On-Prem

Device Lifecycle Management
Service Lifecycle Management

Service, Network, Device
Health

IP Transport Planning &
Management

Active Assurance
through synthetic traffic





Thank you

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APPENDIX - Paragon Active Assurance (PAA)

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Business Benefits

Service Lifecycle



Change/Delivery – Day 1

- Deliver pre-assured services
- Confirm new configurations – right first time
- Validate changes – ensure nothing breaks



Operations/Service Desk – Day 2

- Understand performance issues before users
- Shorter time to resolve problems
- Confirm that network service levels support business objectives

Note: ROI statistics from Netrounds' customers

ROI



13% reduction in failed service delivery rate



Reduction in incident resolution times



Faster time to revenue - billing commences ~6 days earlier for new services



8% lower OPEX for service delivery



No services placed into production have **performance issues**



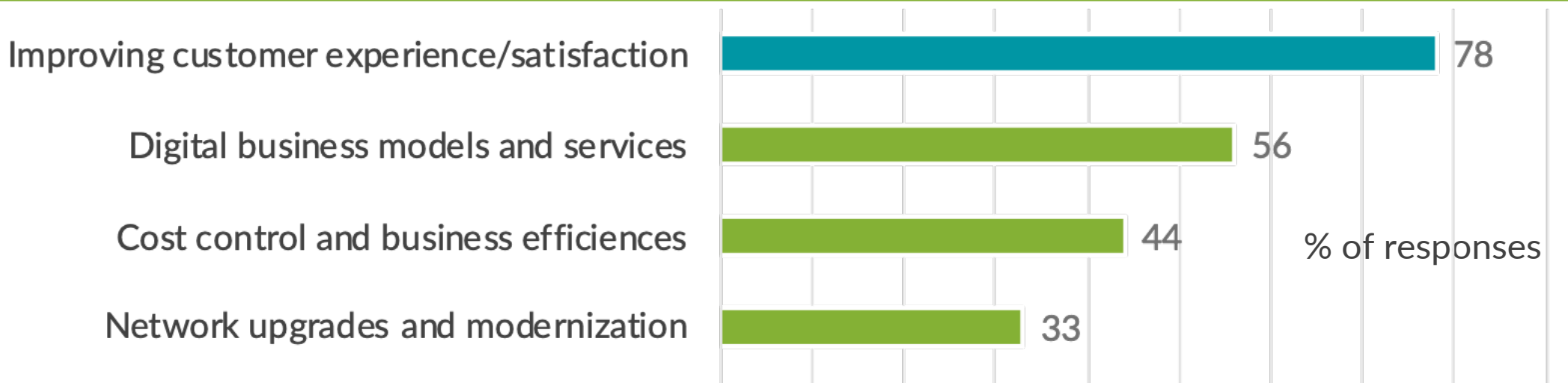
Increased customer satisfaction

Day 1
Activation Testing

Day 2
Active Monitoring

Experience a Top Priority for Service Providers

Question: What are your most important strategic priorities over the next three years?



Source: Ernst & Young Global Telecommunication study 2019.

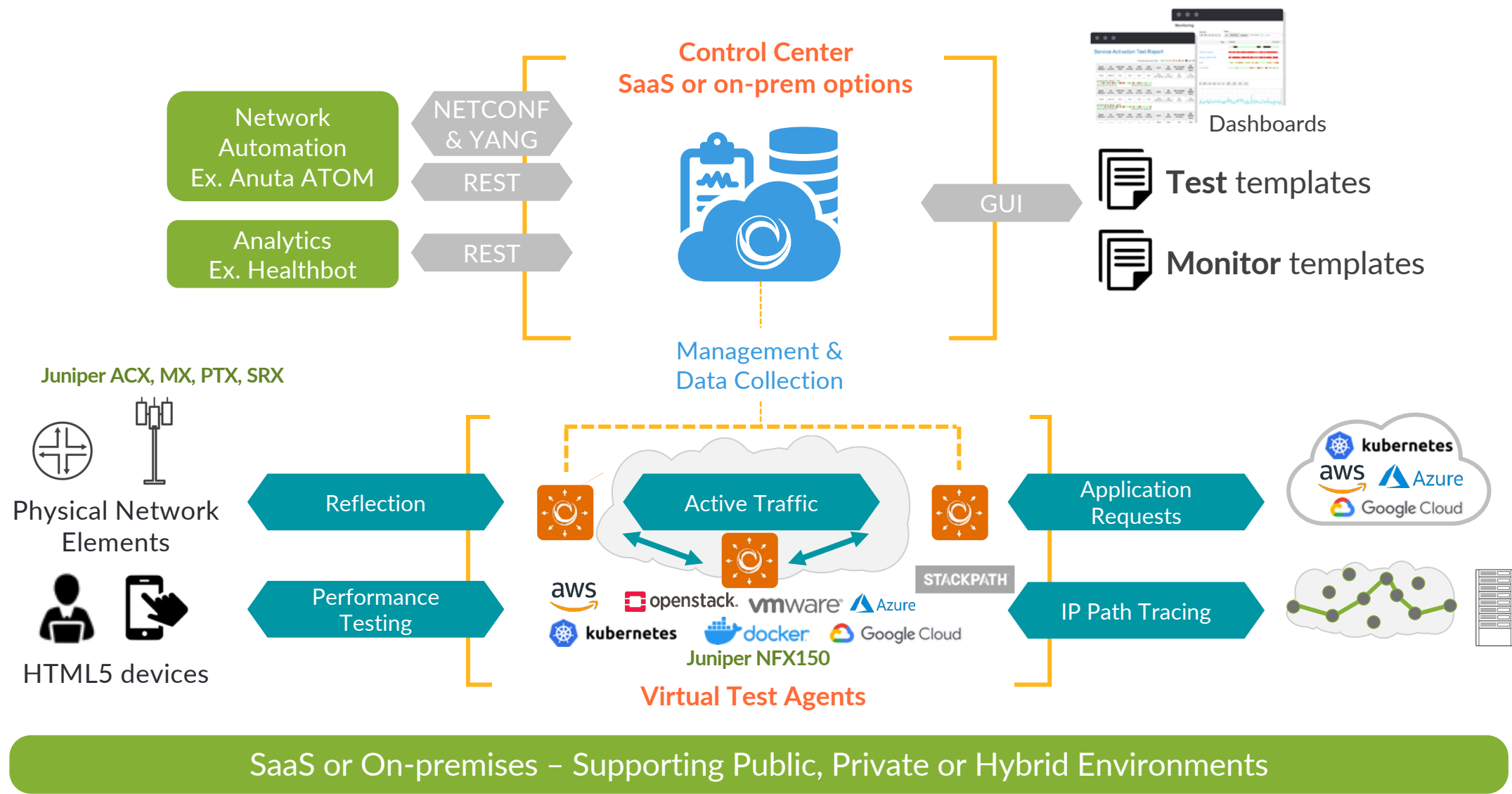
"We need to invest in the customer because of disruptive competition."

—Operator survey participant

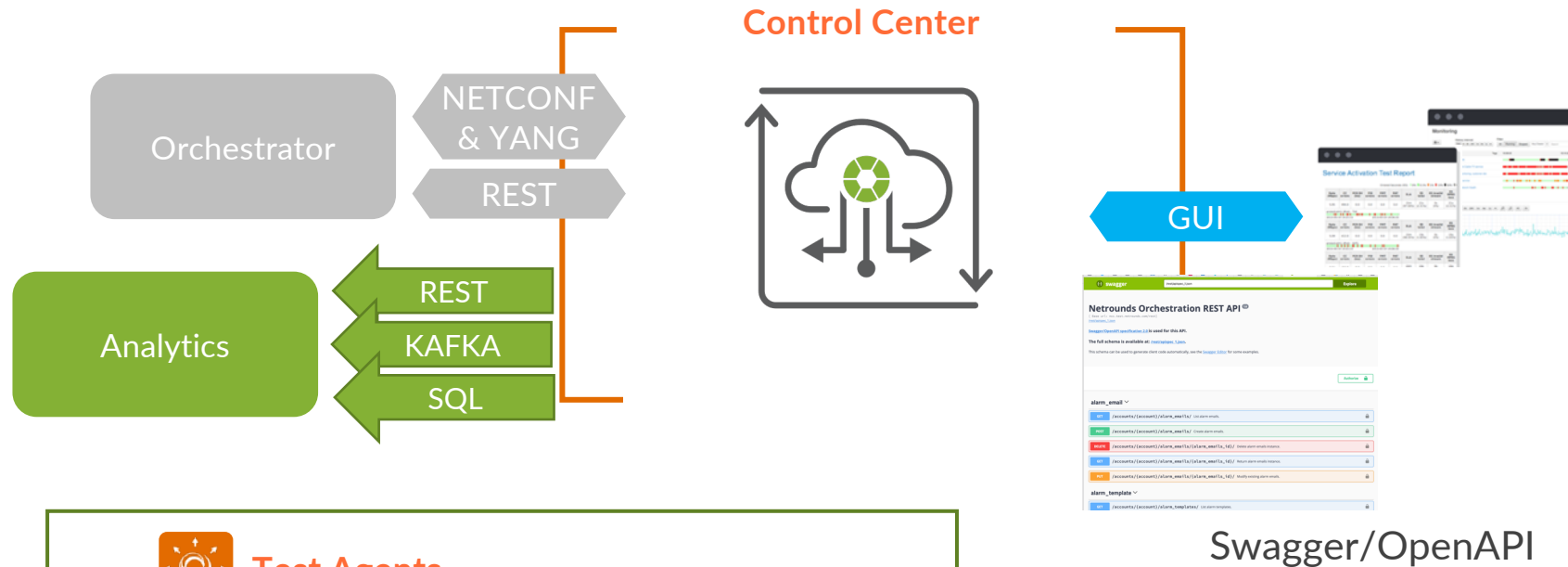
"Our industry is plagued by churn levels that would terrify any other industry."

—Operator survey participant

Architecture



Automation features/APIs



Test Agents

- Multiple different image formats
- Support for all major public cloud environments
- PNF, VNF and CNF
- VNF: Support for cloud-init
- CNF: Certified to run on Open Shift
- “Call home” functionality

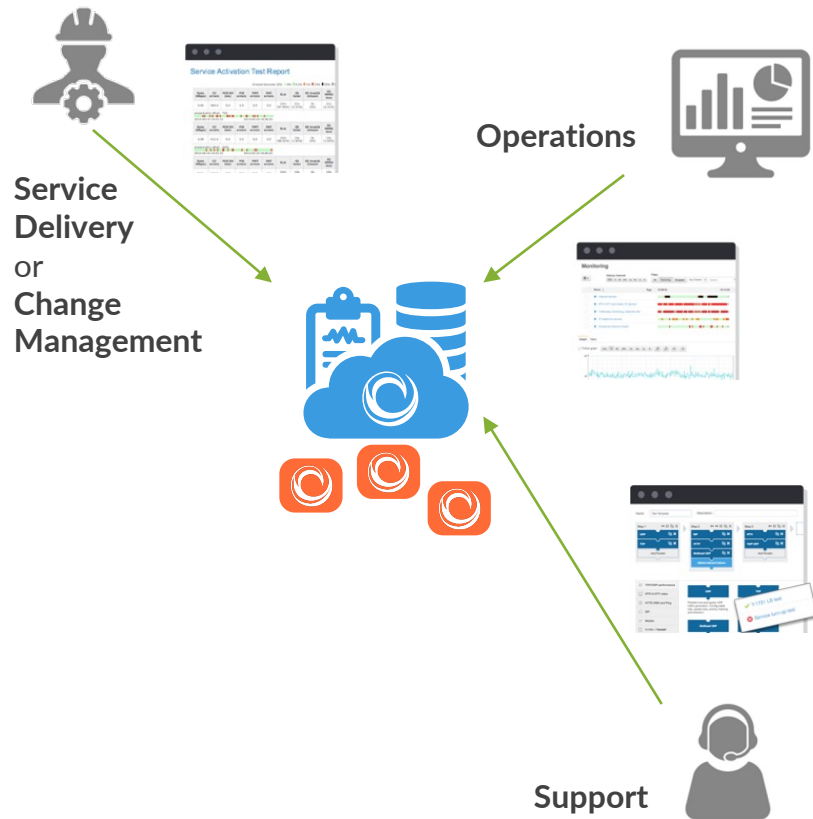
L2-L7 Data Plane Metrics in One Platform

WI-FI	MOBILE	NETWORK PERFORMANCE	IPTV & OTT VIDEO	VOICE	INTERNET PERFORMANCE	REMOTE PACKET INSPECTION
⊖ SWITCHER	⊖ SWITCHER	⊖ UDP	⊖ IPTV	⊖ SIP	⊖ DNS	⊖ PACKET CAPTURE
⊖ LOGGER	⊖ LOGGER	Y.1564/MEF 48	ETSI TR 101 290	REGISTER	RESPONSE TIME	LIVE FEED
⊖ SCAN		UNI/ MULTICAST	MULTI-CHANNEL	CONNECT	EXPECTED RESPONSE	PCAP FILES
		P2P/ HUB-AND-SPOKE/ FULL-MESH	IGMP JOIN/LEAVE	DISCONNECT	WIDE RECORD TYPE SUPPORT	WIRESHARK COMPATIBLE
		⊖ STATEFUL TCP	INLINE	CALL STATISTICS	⊖ HTTP	
		RFC 6349	⊖ HTTP/OTT STREAMING	MOS	TCP CONNECT	
		MULTI-SESSION TCP	APPLE HLS	⊖ VOIP UDP	TIME TO FIRST BYTE	
		QOS POLICY PROFILING	PLAYBACK RATE	G.711/G.723/G.729/ GSM-EFR	PAGE LOAD	
		⊖ REFLECTOR	DOWNLOAD RATE	MOS	DOWNLOAD RATE	
		Y.1731 - LB/DM/SLM	BUFFER		⊖ HTML5 TESTS	
		802.1AG - LOOPBACK	⊖ NETFLIX		RATE, RESPONSE TIME	
		RFC 5357 - TWAMP FULL/ LIGHT	NETFLIX SPEEDTEST		LATENCY, JITTER	
			DOWN-/UPLOAD RATE		⊖ PING	
					ICMP, UDP	
					PATHTRACE	

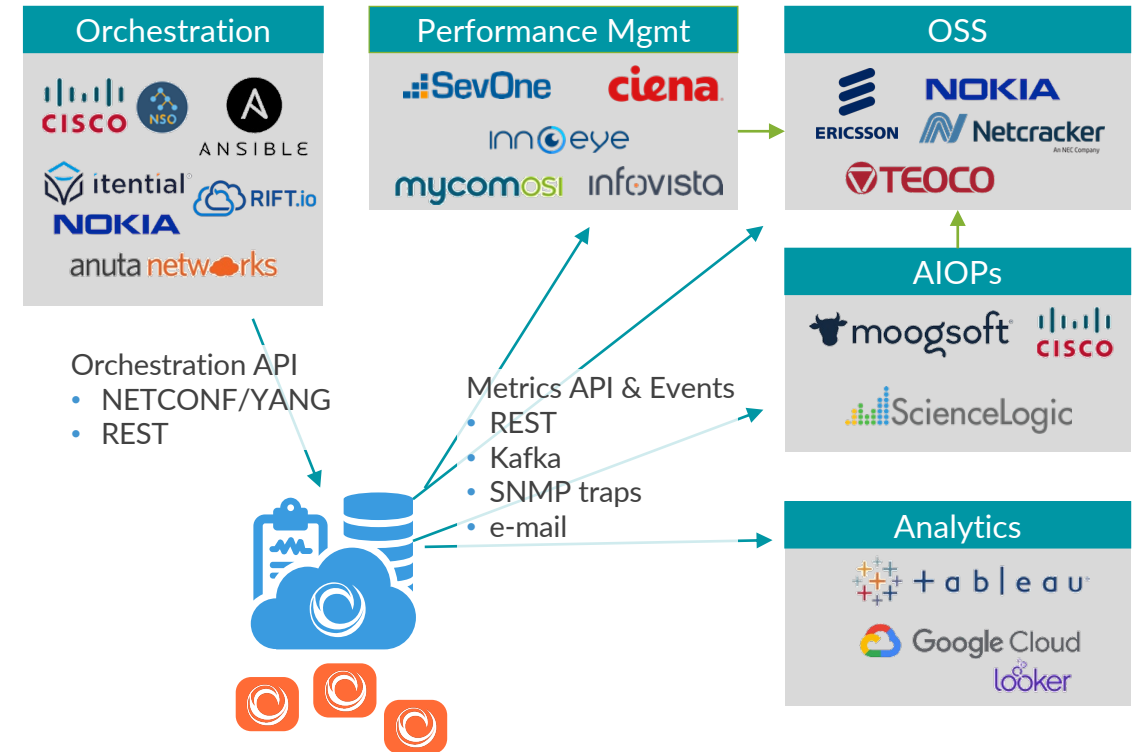
Test & monitor templates used for automation and to structure measurements in flexible order and combination

Proven Across All Operational Environments

Stand-Alone in Today's Networks

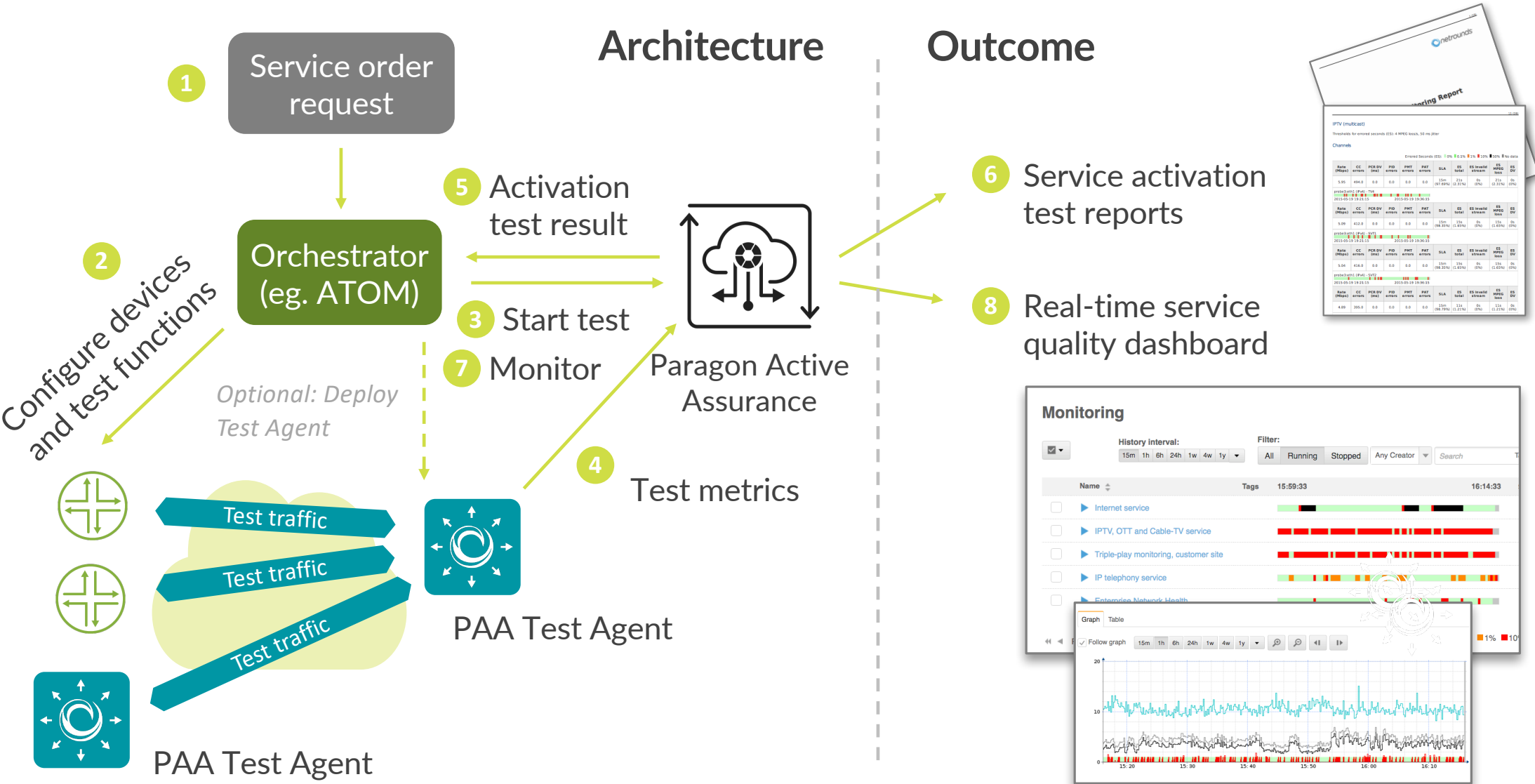


Fully Orchestrated Networks & Services



Example integrations - not a comprehensive list

Example automation workflow



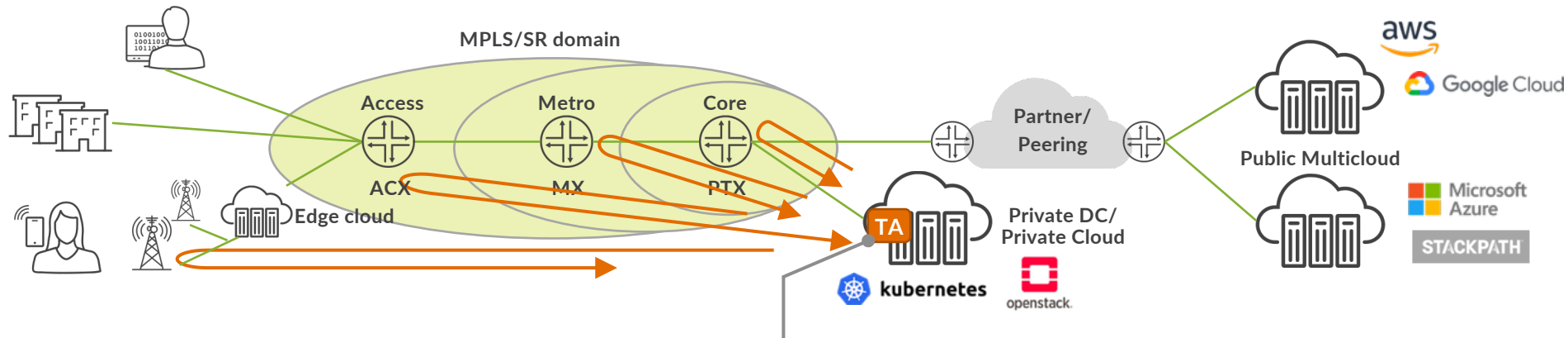


Customer Use Cases

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Engineering
Simplicity

Central TWAMP for Backhaul Network Performance



Customer example:



Two options for Test Agent deployment in private data center:

1. As VM or Container on existing compute infrastructure
2. Stand-alone on dedicated Juniper NFX150

TA Netrounds Active Test Agent
Software as VM or Container
Active reflecting traffic
using TWAMP

Pain points

- Undetected problems
- Problems difficult to find – long MTTR

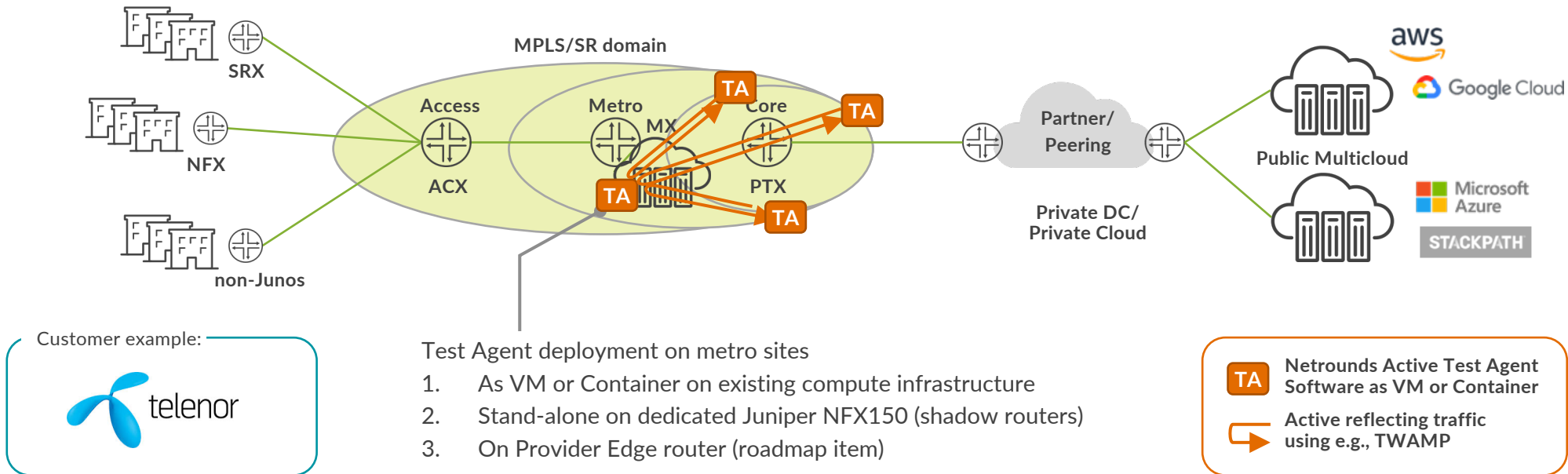
Underlying reasons

- Lack of visibility
- Misconfigurations (QoS)
- Bursty traffic patterns

Solution

- Validate QoS policies
- Test that that changes do not break anything
- Sectionalize and pinpoint problem area

Core Network Performance



Pain points

- Core router performance from end user perspective (IP, IPTV etc)
- Routing and forwarding issues
- Planned work

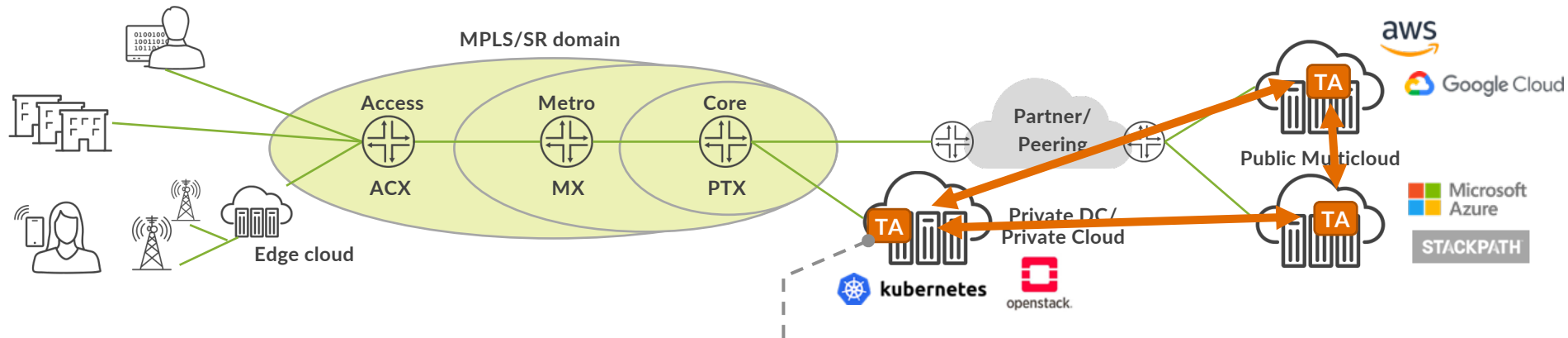
Underlying reasons

- Complex network designs
- Node monitoring does not reveal all possible errors (e.g., how route changes affect forwarding)

Solution

- Automated testing, performed at changes
- Active test traffic on the data plane to continuously detect and sectionalize when and where issues occur

Multi-Cloud and Data Center Interconnect



Customer example:

Telefonica

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TA Netrounds Active Test Agent
Software as VM or Container
↔ Multi-layer, multi-QoS
L2-L7 active traffic

Pain points

- Intermittent outages and quality degradations
- Many parties involved – long MTTR

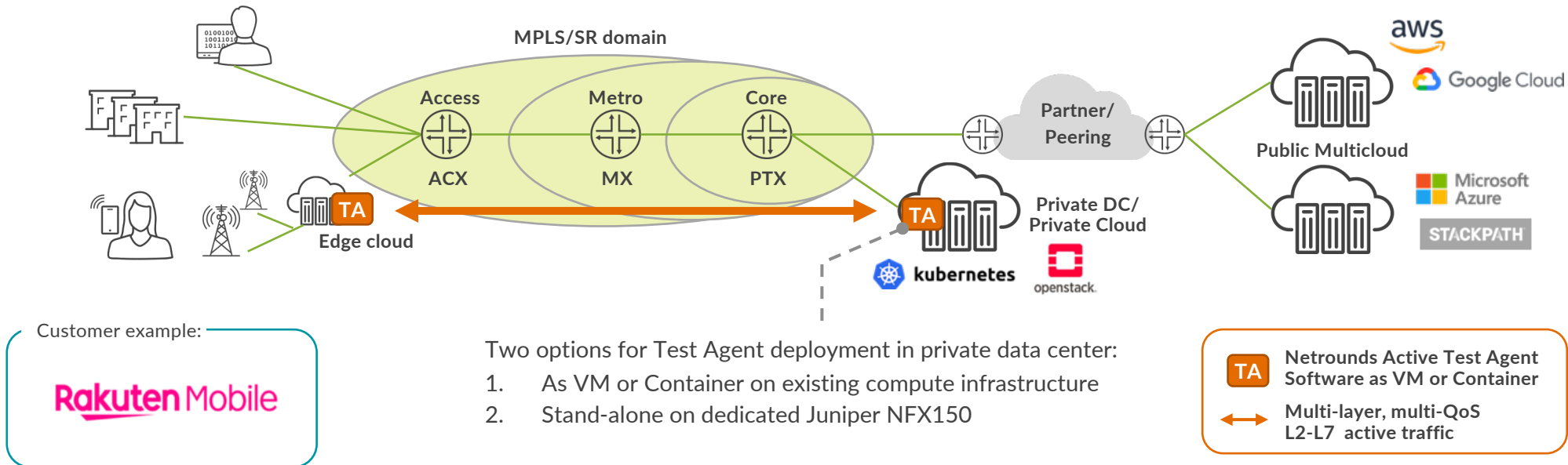
Underlying reasons

- Dependent on public Internet and other shared infrastructure
- Limited or no visibility into public cloud networking
- Complex routing and security policies between clouds

Solution

- Active test traffic to validate actual end-to-end quality
- Continuous detection of when and where issues occur
- Rapid, efficient and cloud-agnostic troubleshooting

5G Edge Slicing and Cloud Network Performance



Pain points

- Escalations from mobile customers due to poor performance
- Problems difficult to find – long MTTR

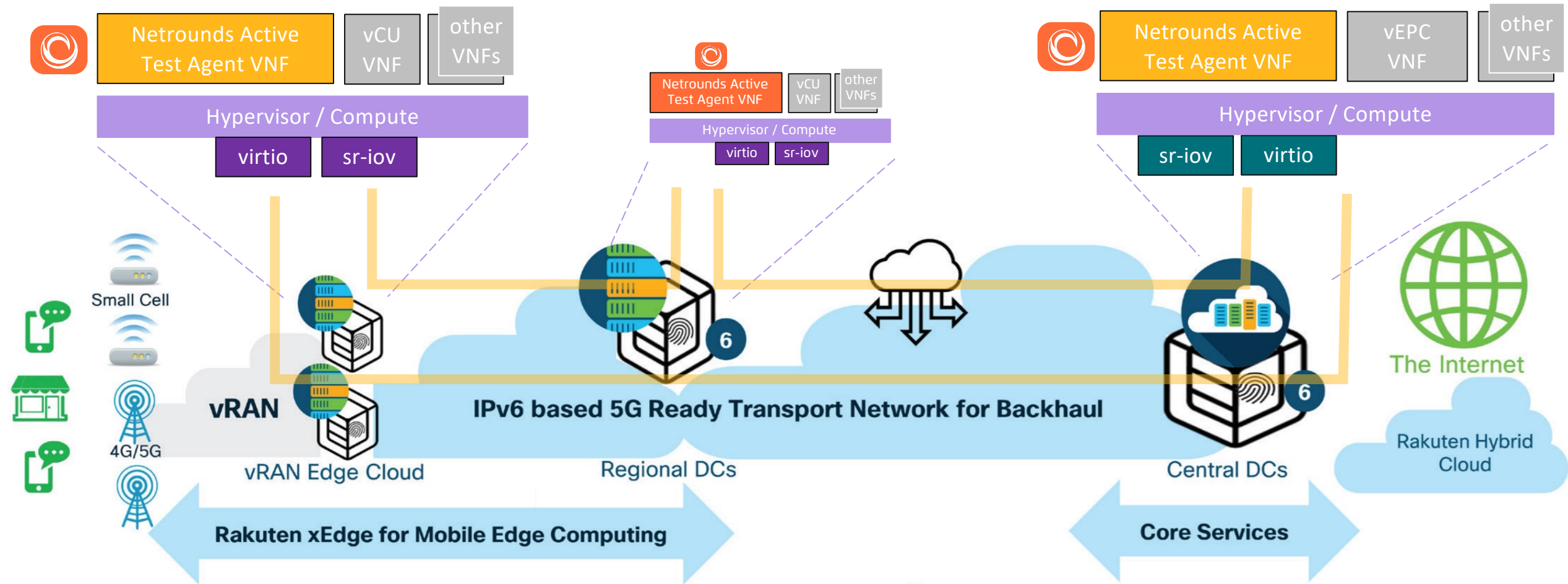
Underlying reasons

- Very complex, multiple overlay network, with limited visibility
- Dynamic nature of cloud native renders traditional device assurance not applicable

Solution

- Active test traffic on the data plane
- Validation of network data plane, embedded in CI/CD process
- Continuous detection and sectionalization of when and where issues occur

Distributed Computing Enables Active Assurance



Source: Reimagining the End-to-End Mobile Network in the 5G Era

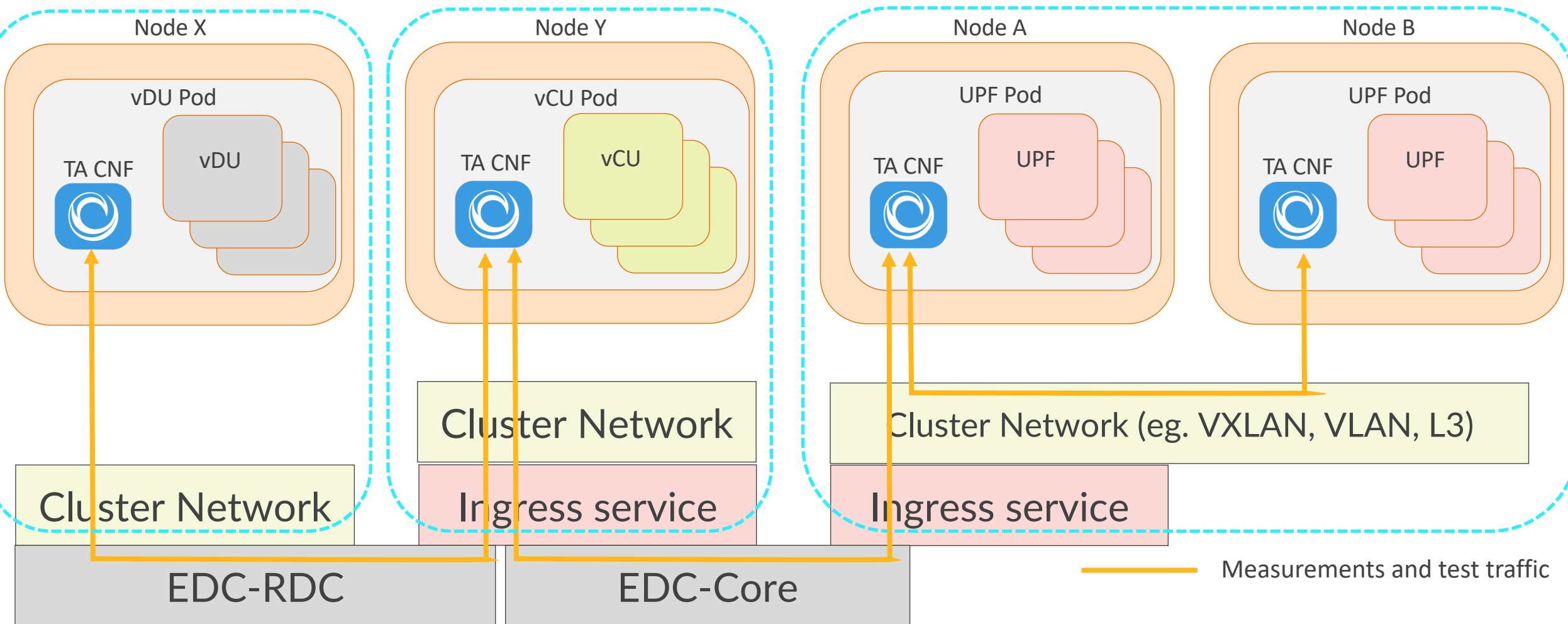
K8s Combined Assurance for CNF 5G stack



K8s #1 DU Service

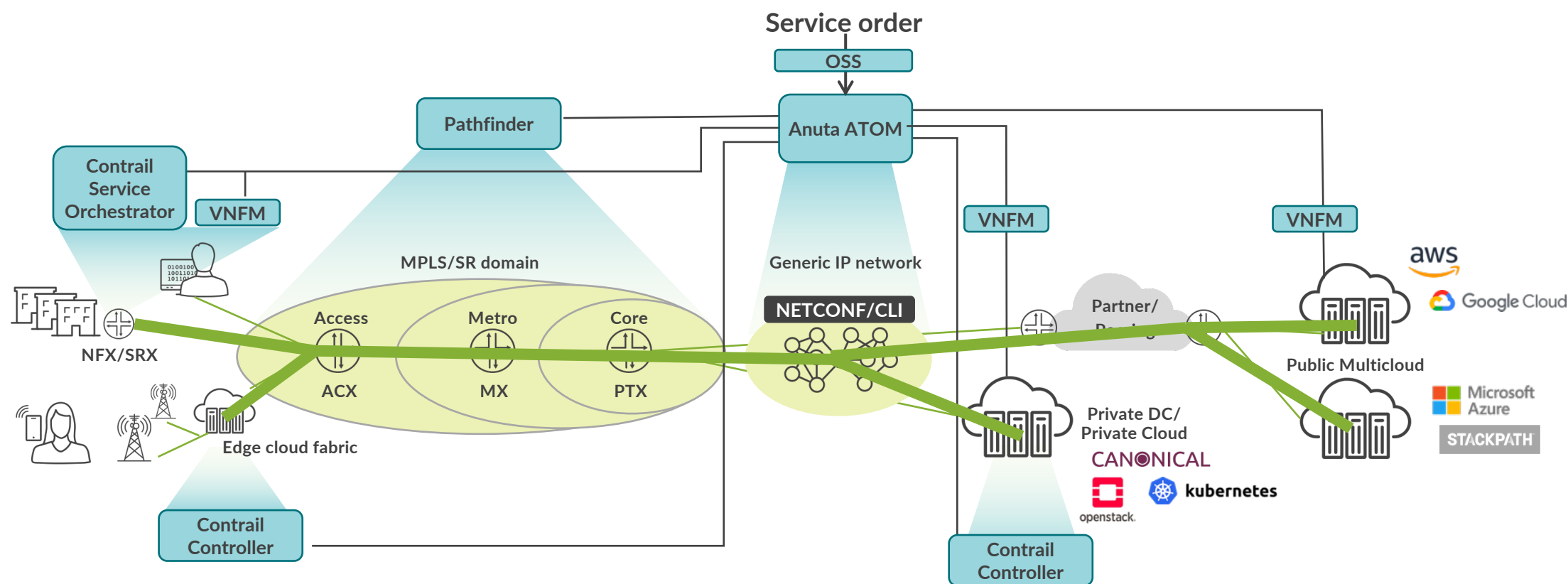
K8s #2 CU Service

K8s #3 UPF Service



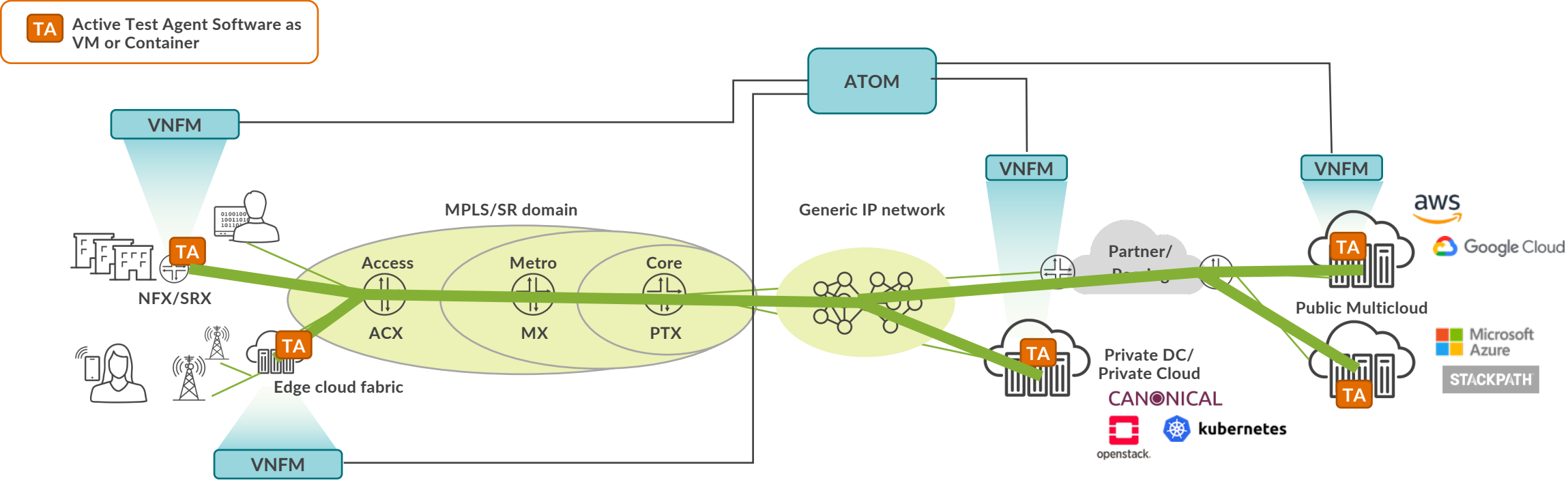
Deploying and Invoking Fully Orchestrated Active Assurance

Step 1: E2E Service Provisioning



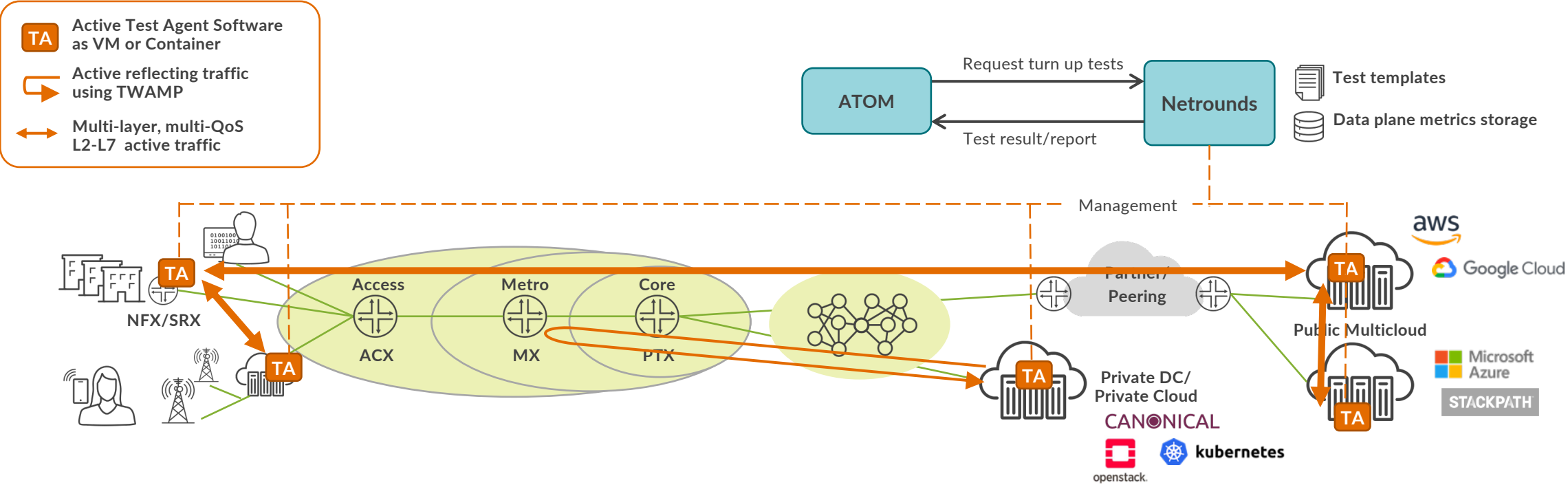
Anuta transforms inbound service order to network configurations to fulfill requested intent.

Step 2: Orchestrated Test Agent Deployment Using VNFM



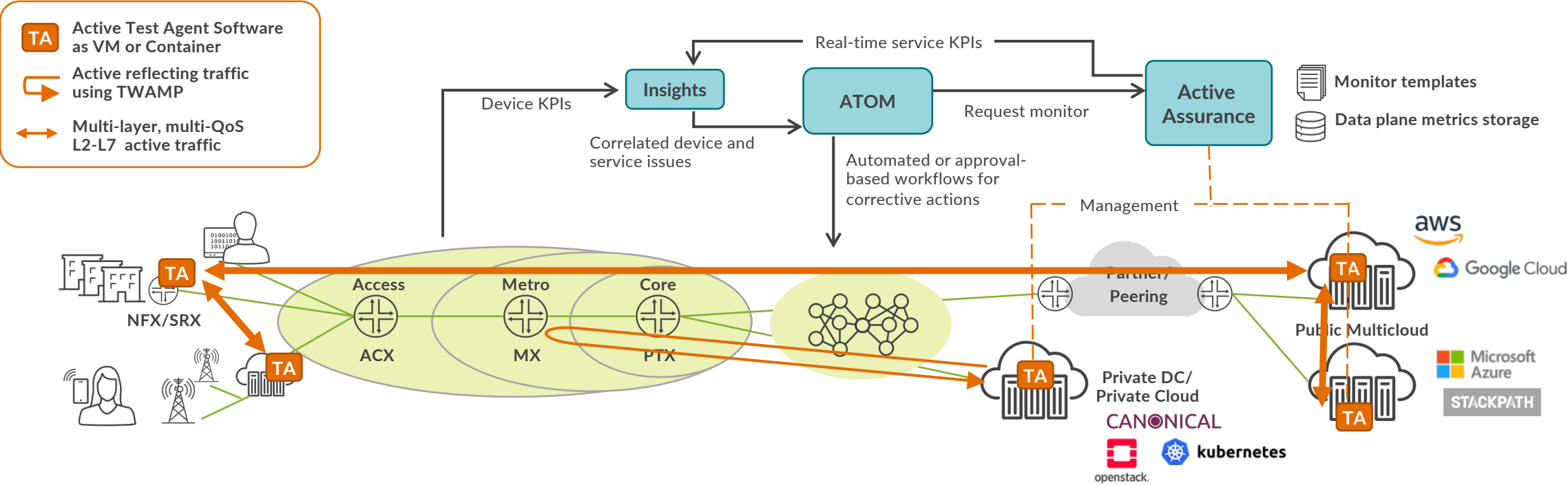
As specified in service chain or slice descriptors, ATOM deploys active Test Agents on compute nodes connected to the E2E service

Step 3: Orchestrated Turn-Up Testing



ATOM requests service turn-up validation from PAA, by referring to a pre-defined test template. If OK, ATOM starts service monitoring using pre-define templates, otherwise service config is rolled back.

Step 4: Service-Oriented Closed Loop with Paragon Insights



Paragin Insights concludes root cause candidate devices by using playbooks to correlate device-centric KPIs with service-oriented KPI from Paragon Active Assurance