

# A proposal about single management platform for edge cloud

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# What should Telco Operators care to build large-scale edge cloud?





<ul> <li>Diverse Hardware</li> <li>✓ x86</li> <li>✓ Customized Server</li> <li>✓ All-in-one rack</li> <li>✓ Bare metal</li> <li>✓ Acceleration hardware</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Heterogeneous Cloud Platform</li> <li>Container + K8S</li> <li>VM + OpenStack</li> <li>Container in VM</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Centralized O&amp;M and Resource Providing</li> <li>✓ Centralized O&amp;M for distributed edge resource (HW &amp; SW)</li> <li>✓ Resource application portal for 3<sup>rd</sup>-party applications</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Orchestration</li> <li>✓ Simplified orchestration for IT App if needed</li> <li>✓ Orchestration and cooperation of IT App and telco network ability</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>SDN</li> <li>✓ SDN for edge</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>G Service and MEC</li> <li>✓ Provide MEC ability for edge Applications</li> <li>✓ Provide ability of 5G wireless and core network</li> <li>✓ Cooperation between IT and CT services</li> </ul>
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### **Existing Telco Service Model on Edge**





Model Number	Telco Operators	3 <sup>rd</sup> –party application vendor
1	Network ability + Space + Hardware	(IaaS) + (PaaS) + Application
2	Network ability + Space + Hardware + IaaS	(PaaS) + Application
3	Network ability + Space + Hardware + IaaS + PaaS	Application

- Applications on cloud under testing: Cloud Game, Video, Face Recognition, VR/AR etc.
- Infrastructure is still one of the most important layer on edge that needs attention
- However, current edge hot spot is IOT, not many projects focuses on infrastructure layer



# Requirements of providing infrastructure on edge

#### **New requirements on edge infrastructure**

- Key points of providing infrastructure on edge:
  - ✓ Centralized operation and management on multi-cloud environment
  - ✓ Maintain basic operations on edge sites once lost connection





### **Test on platform selection**

#### **Test Plan**

- Purpose: exploring structure and features of large-scale edge virtualization layer of telco operators
- Major testing points:
  - Lightweight OpenStack as controller for virtualization resources
  - Management and interoperability of multiple cloud on edge
- Environment description:
  - Two sites located 30 km away from each other with the latency of around 2ms
  - An edge system including **3 virtualization environments**, centralized management ability among those environments



### **Platform Selection**

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#### 3 different solutions have been tested:

- Enhanced Multi-Region (old-version StarlingX but with some close-source enhancement)
- Centralized OpenStack control with remote compute
- Independent lightweight OpenStack as VIM with external multi-cloud management system





Solution	#1 Enhanced multi-region	#2 Centralized control with remote compute	#3 Independent lightweight with external multi-cloud management system
Endpoints	Multiple for multi-region	Single for all edge	Single for all edge + vim_id
Consistent user data	Support (Sync DB)	Support (One DB)	Support (Outside DB)
Different quota on different site	Not Support	Not Support	Support
Requirement on DCI management network quality	Medium	High	Medium
Difficulty of adding new sites	Medium (modify config)	High	Low (add link)
Image distribution	Sync to every region	One for all	Distribute on-demand
Heterogeneous cloud MGT	Not support	Not support	Support
Suitable scenario	Small-scale multi-cloud enviro	onment with reliable DCI network	Large-scale multi-cloud environment
Pros	Easiest Sync (DB, image, flavor)	Most lightweight; One SDN for multiple sites	Most flexible and reliable; Local O&M
Cons	Not support lo Require high	cal management; network quality;	Introduced non-OpenStack multi-cloud management platform

Outcomes come from test data and theoretical analysis.

#### Conclusions

- In the aspect of centralized resource utilization, all the three solutions support applying for resource at the center of edge (large edge in previous plots) and specifying VM locations
  - Multi-region  $\rightarrow$  region
  - Centralized OpenStack control with remote compute  $\rightarrow$  AZ
  - Independent lightweight OpenStack as VIM with external multi-cloud management system → vim/cloud

- In the aspect of centralized O&M and interoperability of multiple cloud, an external management system is recommended.
  - Hard to replying on pure OpenStack to achieve multi-cloud interoperability and O&M
  - E.g. different quota on different site, image distribution on-demand, SW/HW management





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