OVN - SFC and Hybrid Environment Support (OVN4NFV)

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Introduction

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Intern Project: OVN - SFC and Hybrid Environment Support

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Description	OVN SFC in VM, VM+CN and CN environments.
Status	PROJECT_COMPLETED
Difficulty	HIGH

 Project Description: OVN SFC is a mini project work that involves Service Function Chaining of VNFs (VMs and Containers) on OVN which is Distributed Control Plane solution on OVS.



- > Project Objectives:
 - I. Realizing SFC with VMs
 - 2. Installation document
 - 3. Installer scripts to Automation
 - 4. Integration to APEX, JOID installers
 - 5. Unit/Functional test scripts to test the scenarios
 - 6. Documentation for use cases, scenarios and installer help guides



> Project Deliverables:

- I. ovn-sfc (no nsh)
- 2. ovn-vmvm-sfc-noha (no nsh) APEX installer support.
- 3. os-ovn-vmcn-noha* Hybrid Environment Apex Installer Support
- 4. Feature and PoC documentation.
- 5. Test cases for new Scenarios.

* This PoC was later changed to k8s-ovn-cnvm with JOID installer support

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- > Project Execution & Accomplishments:
- I. We managed to finish the first PoC except for the test scripts:
 - > Realized the ovn-vmvm-sfc PoC using DevStack
 - Delivered a detailed installation document
 - > Collaborated with RedHat folks for the APEX integration
- 2. Started the second PoC k8s-ovn-cnvm
 - Installed k8s cluster along with OVN as the CNI network provider
 - Didn't have the time to finish this PoC with Virtlet to deploy VMs in k8s cluster



Most proud of:

- Starting this internship with zero knowledge of/hands-on experience with OS and k8s, and still being able to finish most of the requirements
- Most of the conclusions I reached were proven to be correct

Most challenging:

- installing Virtlet. Unlike KubeVirt, Virtlet requires many more than one component, the documentation wasn't easy to follow
- Worked with Mirantis folks to resolve the issue but things didn't work though

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- Recommendations for future work:
 - There is already an ongoing work in the ONAP project that involves k8s and Virtlet as part of ONAP multicloud. I will try to participate in such project
 - I will work on the test scripts, as I will need to conduct tests later on as part of my PhD
 - Also I will dig deeper into Yardstick Infrastructure Verification for my PhD research

