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SD-WAN Local Internet Breakout

Fortinet Recognized as a Leader in the 2024 Gartner® Magic Quadrant™ for SD-WAN

Figure 1: Magic Quadrant for SD-WAN



5x a Leader.

4x Highest Ability to Execute.

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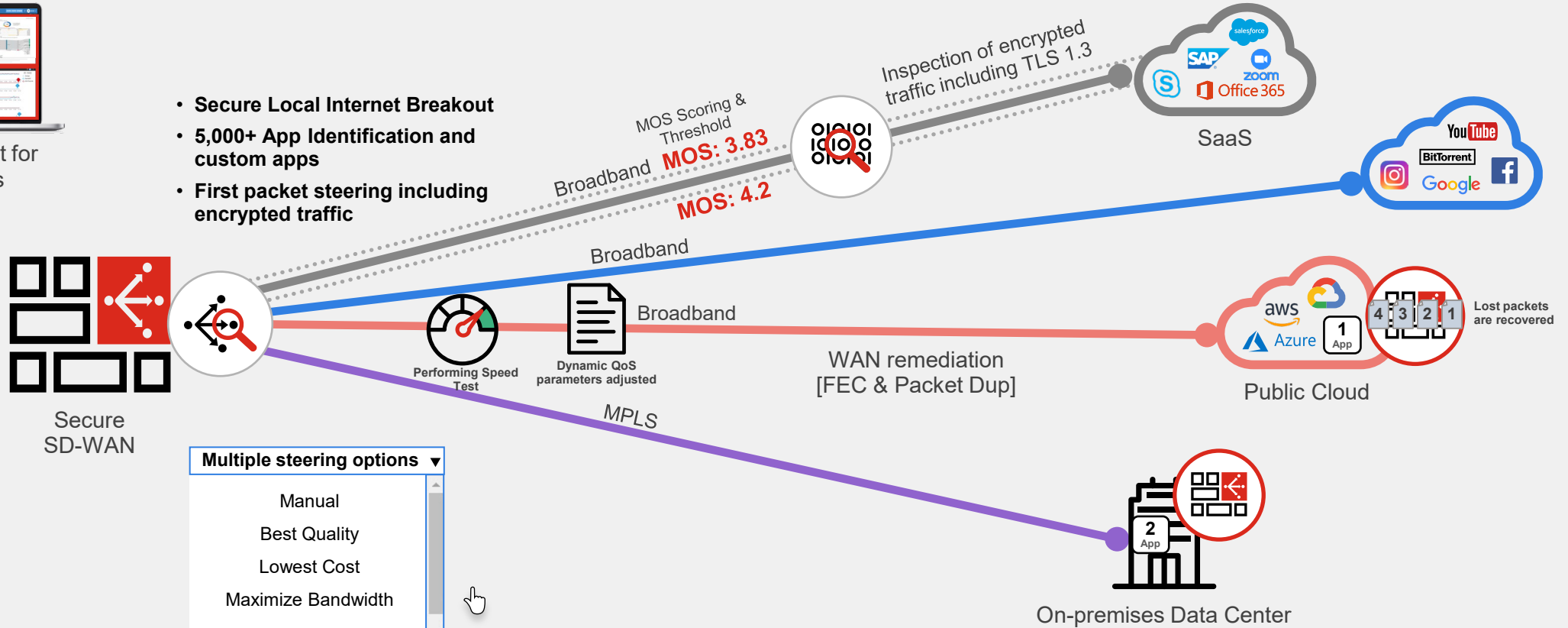
Enabling Application Resilient Networks, No Matter of Location

Enhance user experience and business productivity



One management for 1,000s of sites

- Secure Local Internet Breakout
- 5,000+ App Identification and custom apps
- First packet steering including encrypted traffic



Intelligent Steering
Traffic Agnostic

Reliable Accuracy
Including encrypted traffic

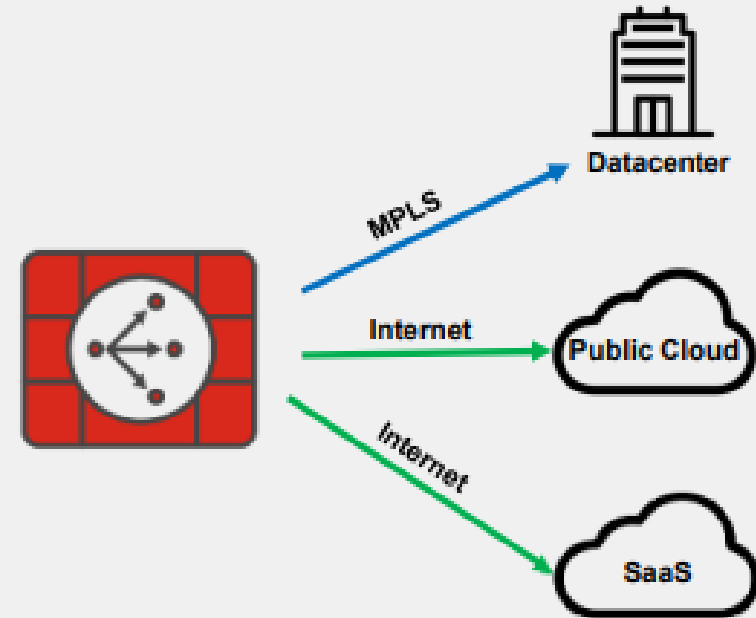
Continuous Learning
Broadest support 5k+ apps

Self-healing
Realtime Optimization



How does Fortinet Define SD-WAN

- Intelligent application/traffic steering based on link performance
- Local Internet Breakout
- Site-to-Site Connectivity
 - IPsec
 - ADVPN



What is Policy Routing?

- Route by admin defined policy – not routing table best match
- Select traffic and manually send to desired interface

```
R1(config)#ip access-list extended ICMP_H1  
R1(config-ext-nacl)#permit icmp host 192.168.1.100 host 4.4.4.4
```

```
R1(config)#route-map PBR_H1 permit 10  
R1(config-route-map)#match ip address ICMP_H1  
R1(config-route-map)#set ip next-hop 192.168.13.3
```

```
R1(config)#interface GigabitEthernet 0/1  
R1(config-if)#ip policy route-map PBR_H1
```

Dashboard > Network > Policy Routes

New Routing Policy

If incoming traffic matches:

Incoming interface: +

Source Address: IP/Netmask

Addresses: +

Destination Address: IP/Netmask

Addresses: +

Internet service: +

Protocol: TCP UDP SCTP **ANY** Specify

Type of service: 0

Type of service: 0x00 Bit Mask 0x00

Then:

Action: **Forward Traffic** Stop Policy Routing

Outgoing interface:

Gateway address: 0.0.0.0

Comments: Write a comment... 0/255

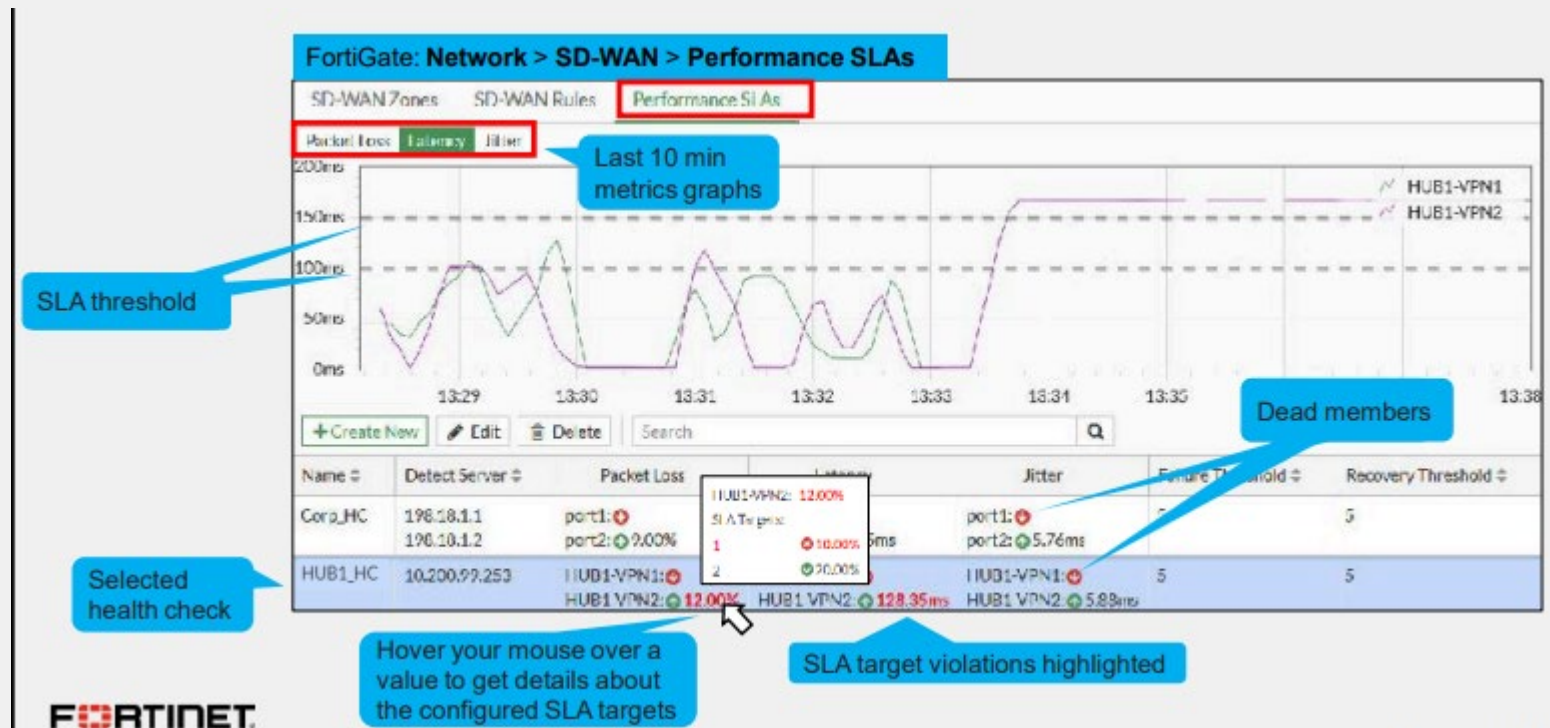
Status: **Enabled** Disabled

OK Cancel



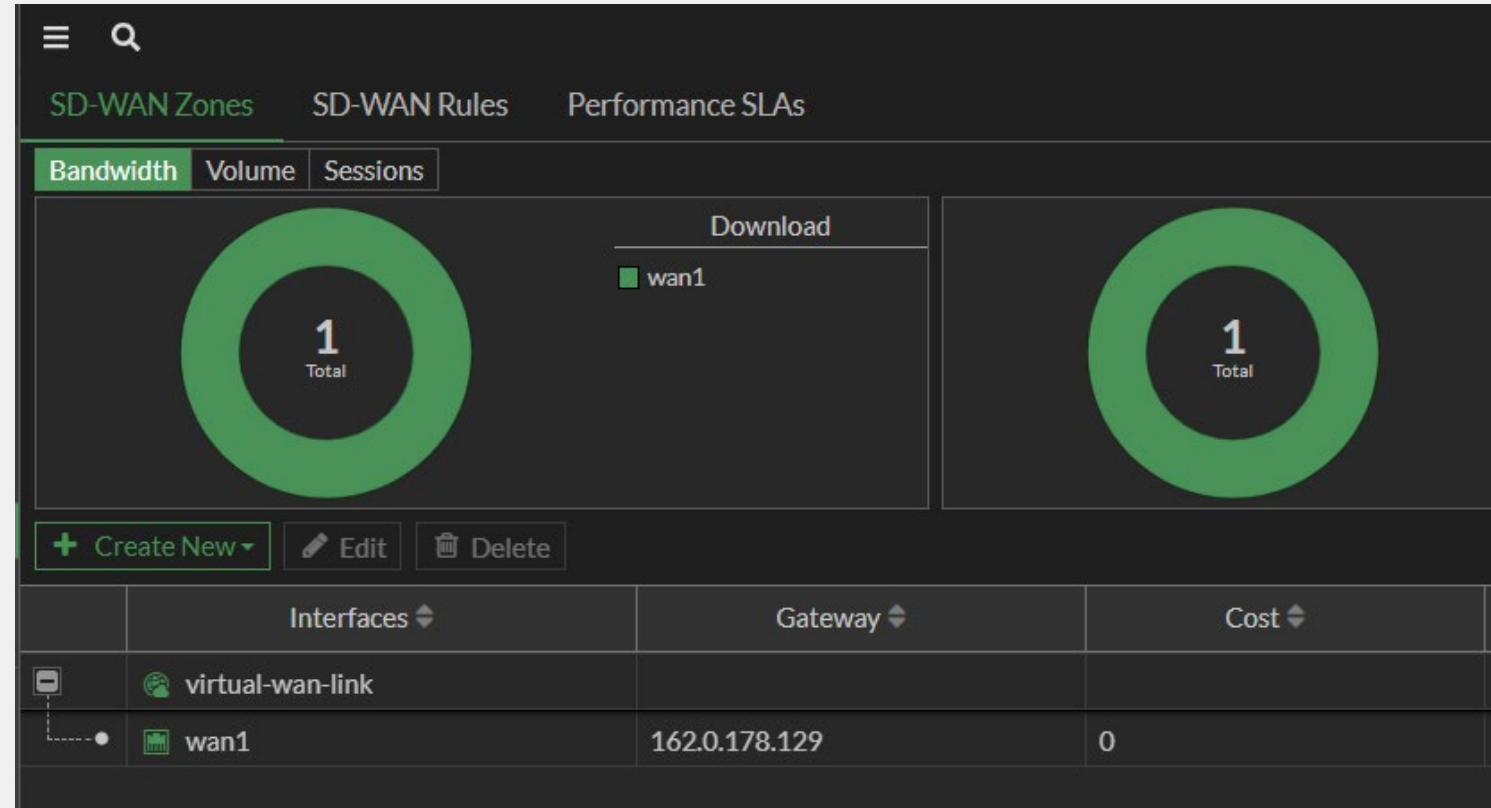
Intelligent PBR with link monitoring – SD-WAN

- Monitor health of links
- Detect performance issues – not just up/down interfaces
- Latency, Jitter, Packet loss
- Various monitoring methods
 - Active/Passive
 - Ping/HTTP/TCP



SD-WAN Components: Members and Zones

- Create Zones
 - Overlay/Underlay
- Members can belong to 1 zone
- Members can't be referenced individually in FW policies
- Static routes can be created to zone or member for granular control
- Cost – used as SD-WAN tiebreaker
- Priority – used for routing preference
- Could also use routing best match as tie break



SD-WAN Components: Performance SLA

- Monitor health of members
 - Define destinations to monitor
- Active, passive, prefer passive
 - Passive monitors real-time traffic but requires CPU processing on FW rule
- Set targets for link performance
 - Latency, jitter, packet loss
 - Optionally combine in MOS
- Define minimum performance required for steering traffic
- Assign to all or specific members
- Multiple servers protects against server failure

The screenshot displays the 'Edit Performance SLA' configuration page. The settings are as follows:

- Name:** Default_Gmail
- Probe mode:** Active (selected), Passive, Prefer Passive
- Protocol:** Ping (selected), HTTP, DNS
- Server:** gmail.com
- Participants:** All SD-WAN Members (selected), Specify
- SLA Target:**
- Latency threshold:** 250 ms
- Jitter threshold:** 50 ms
- Packet Loss threshold:** 2 %
- Link Status:**
 - Check interval:** 1000 ms
 - Failures before inactive:** 5
 - Restore link after:** 10 check(s)
- Actions when Inactive:**
 - Update static route:**



SD-WAN Components: Performance SLA

FortiGate Advanced SLA Settings—Warning and Alert

```

config system sdwan
  config health-check
    edit "Corp_HC"
      set probe-timeout 500
      set probe-count 30
      set diffservcode 001010
      set threshold-warning-packetloss 5
      set threshold-alert-packetloss 10
      set threshold-warning-latency 100
      set threshold-alert-latency 150
      set threshold-warning-jitter 30
      set threshold-alert-jitter 50
    next
  end
end
  
```

Time to wait for probe response (default = 500)

Number of most recent probes to use for latency and jitter calculation (default = 30)

DSCP code to be used by probes (default = 000000)

Warning and alert thresholds for metrics; used by the FortiGate GUI for visual notification and to trigger log messages

Warning

Alert

No SLA threshold configured

FortiGate: Network > SD-WAN > Performance SLAs

Name	Detect Server	Packet Loss	Latency	Jitter
Corp_HC	198.18.1.1	port1: 8.00%	port1: 0.81ms	port1: 0.22ms
	198.18.1.2	port2: 0.00%	port2: 175.96ms	port2: 0.19ms
VPN_PING	10.200.99.253	HUB1-VPN1: 3.00%	HUB1-VPN1: 1.33ms	HUB1-VPN1: 0.27ms



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SD-WAN: Routing

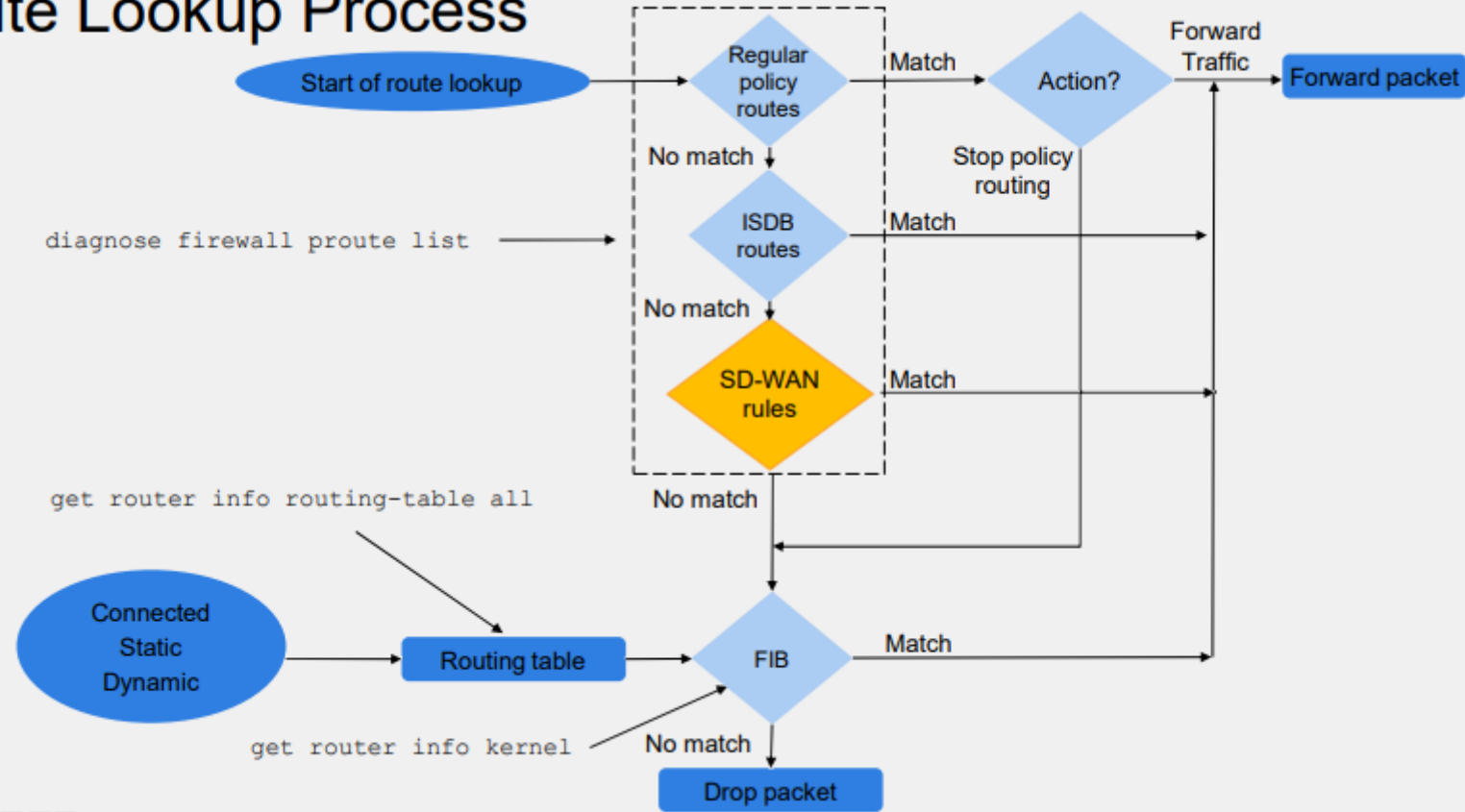
Key Routing Principles

1. SD-WAN rules are policy routes
2. Regular policy routes have precedence over SD-WAN rules
3. Route lookup is done for new and dirty sessions
 - For original and reply traffic
 - Includes policy route lookup
4. SD-WAN rules are skipped if:
 - Best route to destination isn't an SD-WAN member
 - None of the members have a valid route to destination
 - If the preferred member doesn't have a valid route to destination, the next member in the rule is checked
5. Implicit SD-WAN rule equals standard forwarding information base (FIB) lookup
 - If lookup matches ECMP routes, traffic is load balanced using the configured algorithm



SD-WAN: Routing

Route Lookup Process



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SD-WAN: Rules

- Specify criteria for matching traffic
- Source/Destination/User
- Can specify destination applications or categories
 - Can use Route Tags
 - Application required application profile on FW rule
- Specify outgoing interface selection
- Optional SLA requirements

Priority Rule

Name

Status Enabled Disabled

Source

Address

User group

Destination

Address

Internet service

Application

Outgoing Interfaces

Interface selection strategy

Manual
Manually assign outgoing interfaces.

Best quality
The interface with the best measured performance is selected.

Lowest cost (SLA)
The interface that meets SLA targets is selected. When there is a tie, the interface with the lowest assigned cost is selected.

Interface preference

Zone preference

Measured SLA

Required SLA target

Load balancing

Quality criteria

Forward DSCP

Reverse DSCP

OK Cancel



SD-WAN: Rule Strategy

Strategies

- Define:
 - Requirements for preferred members
- Preferred members:
 - Best candidates to steer traffic
 - Are used only if they have a valid route to the destination
- Member selection:
 - **Manual:**
 - Configuration order-based preference
 - **Best Quality:**
 - Best performing member based on quality criteria
 - **Lowest Cost (SLA):**
 - Member that meets SLA target (tiebreakers: cost and configuration order)
- Load balancing:
 - By default, each strategy selects a single member
 - Load balancing option to distribute the traffic through multiple members

The image shows a screenshot of the Fortinet SD-WAN configuration interface. The main window is titled "SD-WAN > SD-WAN Rules" and "Edit SD-WAN Rule: 3". It displays the "Outgoing Interfaces" section with a "Strategy" dropdown menu set to "Manual". Below this, there are sections for "Interface Preference" and "Zone Preference", each with a list of members and a "+" button. A red box highlights the "Strategy" dropdown, and a red arrow points from it to a callout box that says "Reorder members by drag and drop". The callout box also points to a dropdown menu showing the "Manual" strategy selected, with a search bar and a list of options: "Manual", "Best Quality", and "Lowest Cost (SLA)".

SD-WAN Caveats: Sessions

May_Dirty Sessions

- New firewall sessions created after matching a firewall policy with `accept` action
 - A firewall policy lookup is done (top-down)
 - Flagged as `may_dirty`
- Lookup process
 - First original packet (route and firewall policy lookup)
 - First reply packet (route lookup only)
 - No additional lookups unless session is flagged as `dirty`

```
# diagnose sys session list
session info: proto=17 proto_state=01 duration=6 expire=173 timeout=0 [...]
origin-shaper=
reply-shaper=
per_ip_shaper=
class_id=0 ha_id=0 policy_dir=0 tunnel=/ helper=dns-udp vlan_cos=0/0
state=log may_dirty ndr f00 app_valid
statistic(bytes/packets/allow_err): org=124/2/1 reply=226/2/1 tuples=3
tx speed(Bps/kbps): 18/0 rx speed(Bps/kbps): 33/0
```



SD-WAN Caveats: Sessions

Limit the Session Reevaluation

- Session reevaluation can lead to high CPU utilization
- Select which sessions in the VDOM are flagged as `dirty` (default = `check-all`):

VDOM level

```
config system settings
    set firewall-session-dirty < check-all | check-new | check-policy-option >
end
```

- `check-all`: All sessions are flagged as dirty
 - `check-new`: New sessions are flagged as dirty and existing sessions are not affected.
 - `check-policy-option`: Follow firewall policy-level configuration
- Firewall policy-level configuration (default = `check-all`):

Policy Level

```
config firewall policy
    edit <id>
        set firewall-session-dirty < check-all | check-new >
    next
end
```



SD-WAN Caveats: Sessions

Routing Changes and SNAT Sessions

- By default, SNAT sessions are not flagged as `dirty` after a routing change
 - Exception: The route in use is removed from FIB
- Force reevaluation of SNAT sessions after a routing change (default = `disable`):

```
config system global
  set snat-route-change < enable | disable >
end
```

- If SNAT IP changes during reevaluation, packet is dropped, and session is cleared

```
id=20085 trace_id=51 func=print_pkt_detail line=5746 msg="vd-root:0 received a packet(proto=1, 10.0.1.101:13106->8.8.8.8:2048) from port5. type=8, code=0, id=13106, seq=3."
id=20085 trace_id=51 func=resolve_ip_tuple_fast line=5827 msg="Find an existing session, id=00008483, original direction"
id=20085 trace_id=51 func=vf_ip_route_input_common line=2589 msg="Match policy routing id=2131230721: to 8.8.8.8 via ifindex-4"
id=20085 trace_id=51 func=vf_ip_route_input_common line=2615 msg="find a route: flag=04000000 gw=192.2.0.10 via port2"
id=20085 trace_id=51 func=get_new_addr line=1229 msg="find SNAT: IP-192.2.0.9(from IPPOOL), port-13106"
id=20085 trace_id=51 func=fw_strict_dirty_session_check line=264 msg="SNAT IP 192.2.0.1 != 192.2.0.9, drop"
```

Different SNAT IP; drop the packet and clear the session

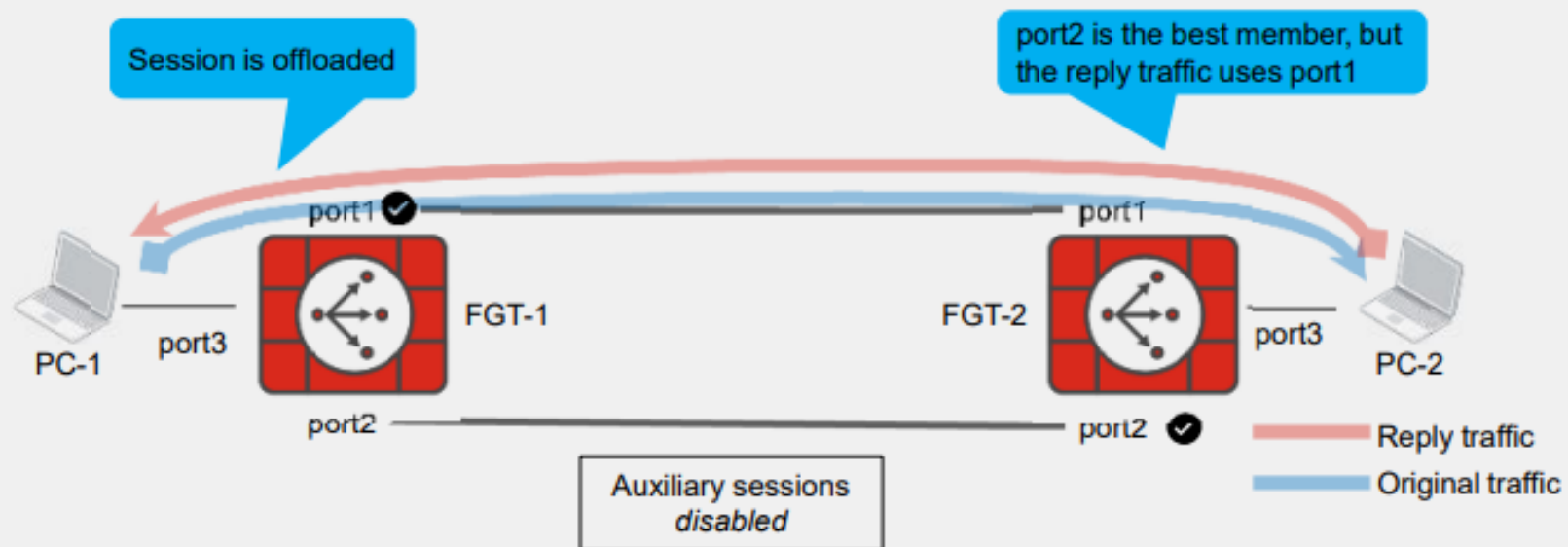
- Enable `snat-route-change` if using the same IP address pool for the old and new paths



SD-WAN Caveats: Sessions

Auxiliary Sessions

- Dirty sessions are also triggered by a change in the reply traffic interface
 - Sessions handled by system CPU (no hardware offload)
- By default, route lookup for reply traffic considers routes over the original ingress interface only
 - Reply traffic can't be routed over another member with better performance



Resources

Fortinet Training Academy

Library: FCSS – SD-WAN 7.4 Architect Self-Paced

<https://training.fortinet.com/course/view.php?id=58092>



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