Integrated Edge Cloud (IEC) for Network Cloud Blueprint Family
Edge Use Cases to address

- Telco/enterprise Edge cloud – for example, MEC or branch office data center...
- Telco/enterprise remote edge locations – edge platform with limited resources, for example, SD-WAN, IoT gateway...
Integrated Edge Cloud Overview

Remote Edge End

Edge End Device
- IoT Box
- Sensor Box
- ML Box
- SD-WAN Box

Container Orchestration Engine

Networking Support

Application Orchestration Client

Apps
- Container
- Bare-Metal

Edge Cloud

Application Orchestration Server

Networking Support

User Management
- User Interface

Deployment Facility
- Application Management

Platform Orchestration
- Data Storage

Edge Cloud Server Cluster
- Server
- Server
- Server
Containerized Integrated Edge Cloud Environment

• The edge applications run as containers with container orchestration engine and high performance networking support;
• The integrated edge cloud platform provides management interface and programming interface to deploy/manage edge applications quickly and conveniently
• The platform supports the applications of IoT gateway, SD-WAN, edge AI and etc.
Arm Edge Cloud Reference Stack

- Heterogeneous Architecture
  - VM, container, bare metal
  - Servers and customized Edge platforms
  - Virtualized NFs and Physical NFs
  - Accelerator interface

- Resource constraints
  - Kubernetes
  - SDN Controller for K8s

- HW Accelerations
  - Integrated accelerators
  - PCIe/CCIX attached accelerator (Smart NICs...)

Components:
- Infra Orchestration and Installer
  - Kubernetes
  - Containerized Compass

- Networking Software
  - Linux System Networking
  - VPP, OVS

- Controller
  - Calico
  - Contiv/VPP
  - OVN-K8s

- Acceleration
  - Integrated Accelerators
  - Smart NICs
  - FPGA/GPU

- Real Time Linux distribution
  - SR-IOV, DPDK

- Edge Servers or Networking Edge Platform

- Network Equipment
  - Switch/GW

- Apps
  - Bare metal
  - Container
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