



Problem statement 2: Modeling a Service Containing a Dedicated VNF



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"FW Experience" Capability is also exposed at the

Problem Statement 3: Onboarding a "Shareable VNF"

Problem Statement 4: Modeling a Service Containing a Shared VNF: Option A

Option A: Wrap Shareable_FW in a single Service that exposes both the "FW_Factory" and the "FW Experience" capabilities.

"FW_Factory" Capability

"FW Experience" Capability

Firewall Service B Service Topology Template

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Observations:

- Requires that the external-to-ONAP requestor ask for a specific "capability"; can no longer simply request a (SDC) "Service"
- ONAP OOF needs to understand the instance relationship across these capabilities. I.e., when creating an instance of "FW Experience" capability, which instance(s) of "Shareable_FW" <u>VNF</u> can be used? This includes "owner" aspects as well as geographical.
- The two capabilities that Firewall Service A exposes are quite different from each other, and it seems "unnatural" to combine them into a single "Service".
- This would be akin to putting "I want a car" and "I want a pizza" in the same Service, and the person placing the order has to specify which they want.
- Such an approach could also get quite complex if there were other VNFs in Firewall Service A, one set which supported this Service in providing its "FW_Factory" capability and another set which supported this Service in its "FW Experience" capability.

Problem Statement 4: Modeling a Service Containing a Shared VNF: Option B

Option B: Wrap Shareable_FW in two separate Services, one of which exposes only the "FW_Factory" capability and the other which exposes only the "FW Experience" capability

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Observations:

- ONAP OOF needs to understand the instance relationship across these capabilities. I.e., when creating an instance of "Firewall Service B", which instance(s) of "Firewall Factory" <u>Service</u> can be used? This includes "owner" aspects as well as geographical.
- Thinking back to slide 1, "SD-WAN Service" will know that Firewall Service A has a concurrent number of uses value of "1", whereas Firewall Service B has a concurrent number of uses value of "N".
- Is exposing the fact that "Firewall Service B" can support a concurrent number of uses value of "N" exposing "too much information"?
- Imagine that "Firewall Service B" were offered by Service Provider X, and "SD-WAN Service" (from slide 1) were offered by Service Provider Y. Would Service Provider X have a business reason to expose their Service as having concurrent number of uses "N"?
- I.e., does a concurrent number of uses of "N" mean that the Service Designer is implicitly exposing the shared, or otherwise, nature of the firewall contained therein"

Problem Statement 4: Modeling a Service Containing a Shared VNF: Option C

Option C: We could model a Resource Type referred to as an "Allotted Network Function" (ANF) that represents a single "use" of an underlying Resource. The ANF would support a concurrent number of uses value of "1", having a relationship to the "Shareable_FW" VNF.

Problem Statement 4: Modeling a Service Containing a Shared VNF: Option C: A&AI View

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Summary of Problem Statement 4: Options B and C

In some ways, Option B can be seen as a particular implementation of "ANF", whereby the "ANF" is represented as a particular capability of the "shareable VNF" itself.

Next Steps?

- 1. Architecture team approval on the Problem Statement 3. I.e., onboarding of application descriptor for a VNF should be split into "sub-descriptors", separately capturing capabilities that differ in concurrent uses.
- Architecture team requests modeling team to look into Problem Statement 4, weighing options A, B, and C and coming up with new options as appropriate. Must weigh options relative to model-driven runtime behavior, and not just design time.

