

# Leveraging OPNFV test tools beyond the NFV domain

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#### Purpose of this talk

- 1. Create awareness for OPNFV test tools
  - Targeting telcos not active in OPNFV and users outside of NFV domain
  - Beneficial for most cloud operators and developers
  - Leverage the extensive tooling OPNFV has built over 4 years
- Have a discussion about the evolution of the OPNFV test tools
  - How to evolve the test tools to address emerging use cases?
  - Learn from people outside of NFV domain about their needs



#### **OPNFV**

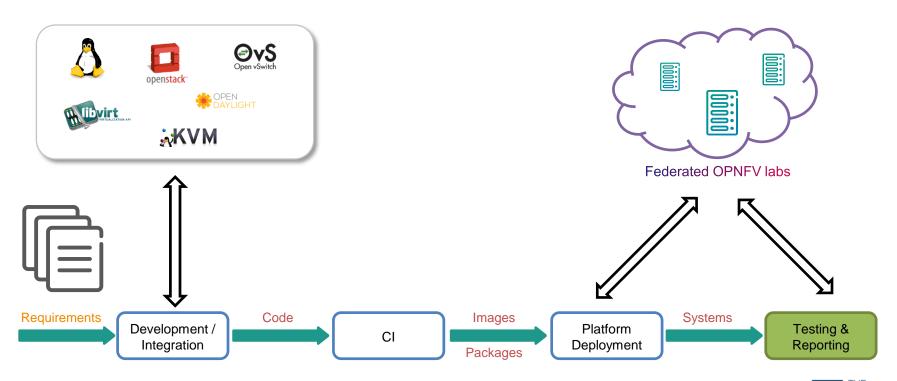


OPNFV facilitates the development and evolution of NFV components across various open source ecosystems. Through system level integration, deployment and testing, OPNFV creates a reference NFV platform to accelerate the transformation of enterprise and service provider networks. Participation is open to anyone, whether you are an employee of a member company or just passionate about network transformation.

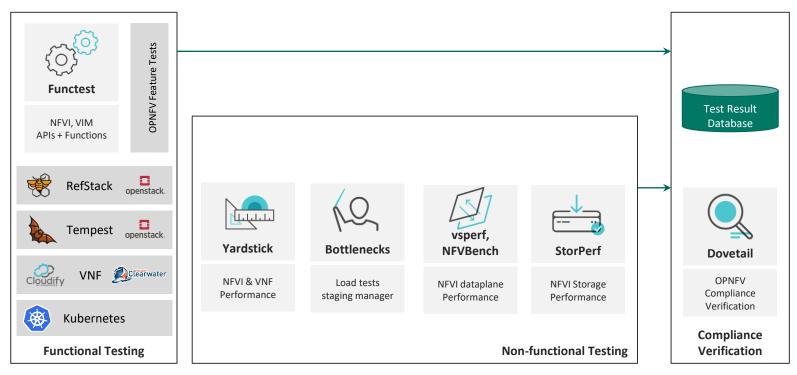
OPNFV defines use cases, integrates & tests what other projects (OpenStack, Kubernetes, ODL, OVS, fd.io) create!



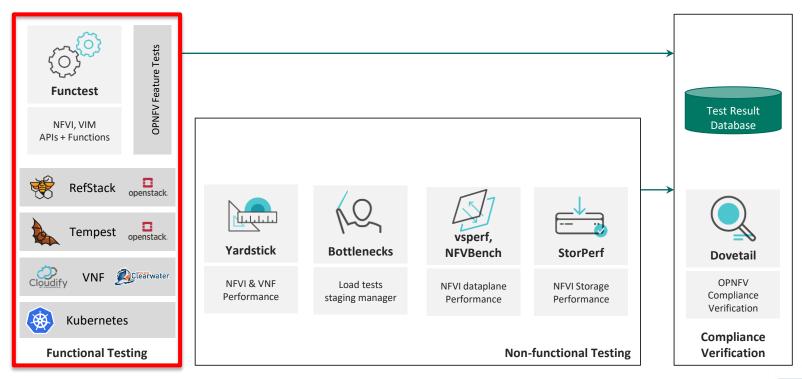
#### What does OPNFV do?



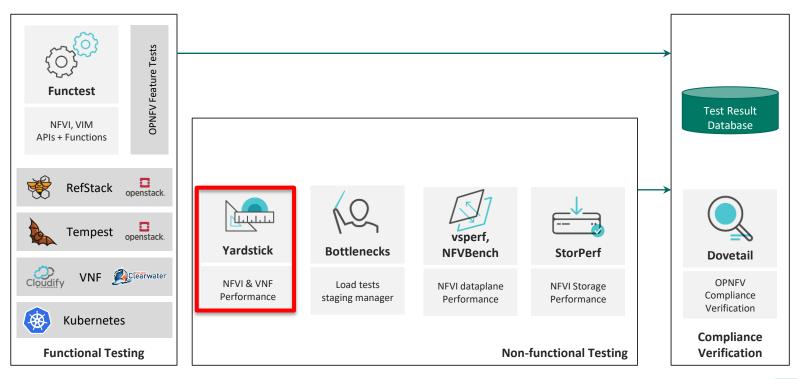




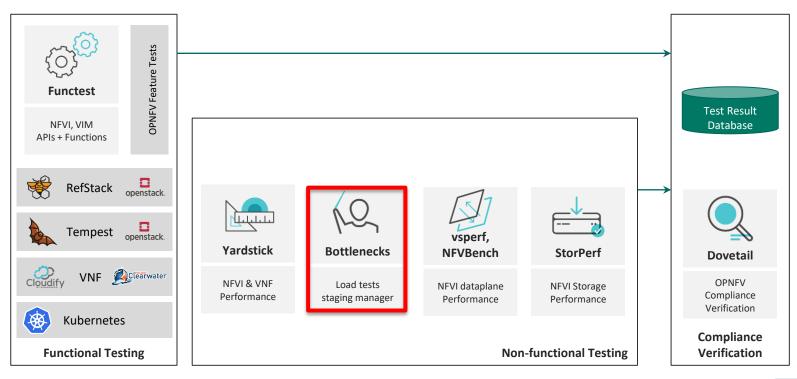




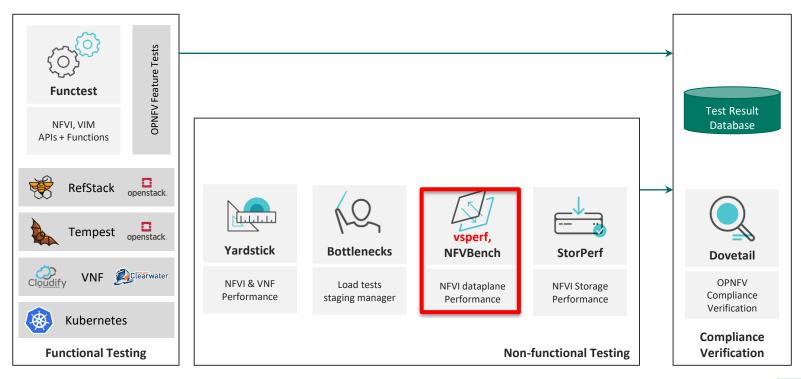




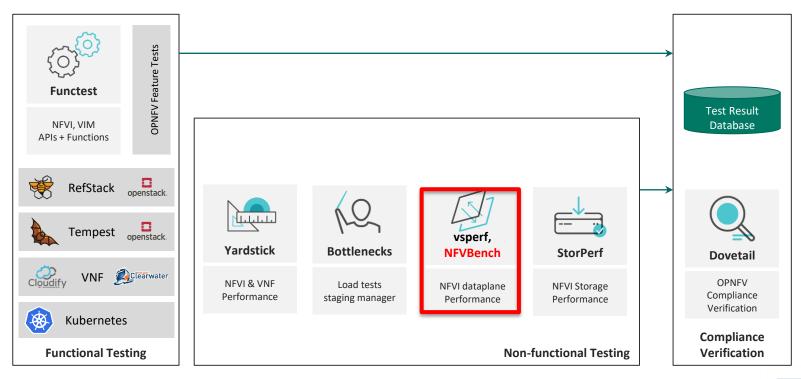




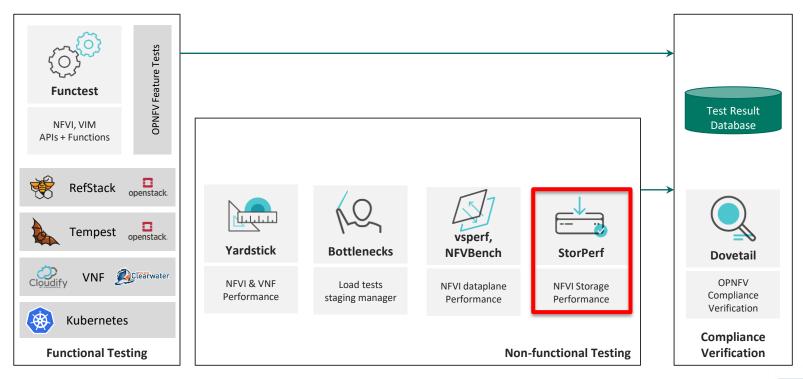




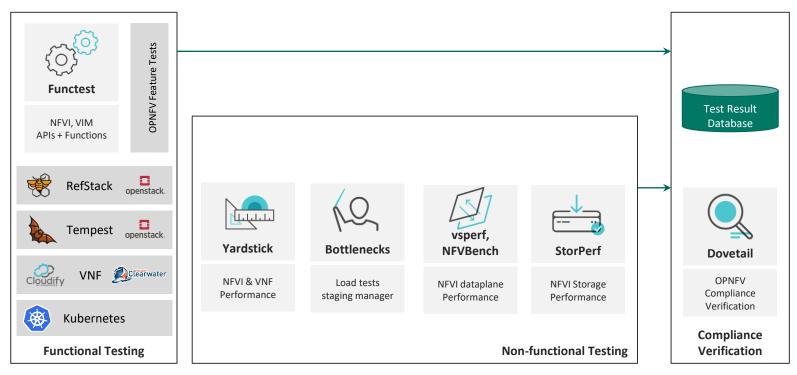




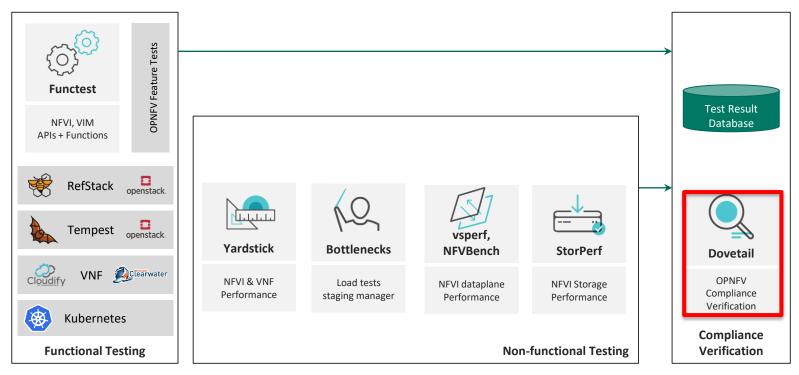














### **OPNFV** Compliance Program

- OPNFV Verified Program (OVP) verifies that a commercial cloud platform exposes the same
  - key APIs,
  - behaviors, and
  - characteristics

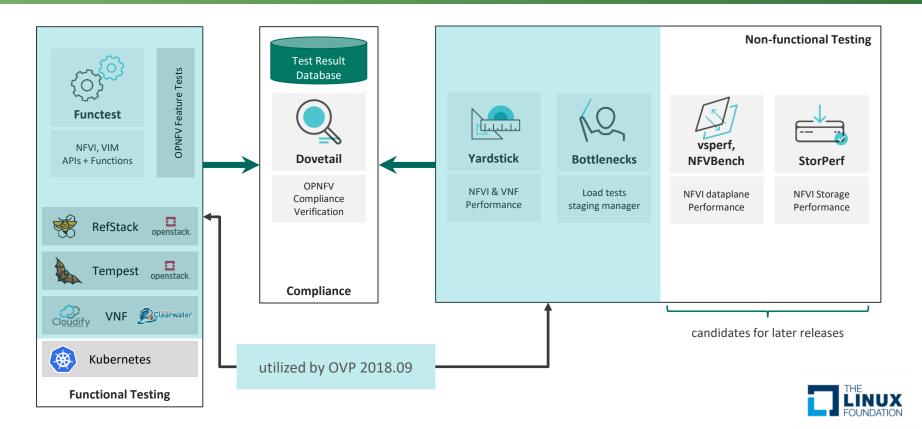
as a reference platform defined through a specific selection of test cases



- Main objective: Reduce vendor selection and application onboarding cost
  - Establish industry-accepted technical baseline
  - Simplify RFIs and RFPs
- Main components of OVP
  - 1. OPNFV test frameworks providing the actual OPNFV and upstream test cases
  - 2. Dovetail: Wrapper for OPNFV test tools and reporting tool



# OPNFV Compliance Program



# Addressing emerging use cases

#### Addressing emerging use cases

- OPNFV traditionally focused on NFVi data center scenarios
  - Medium to large scale deployments in centralized data centers
  - VNFs = legacy Network Functions in VMs
- Emerging use cases impose new requirements on test tools
  - Edge computing
  - Cloud native computing
- ⇒ How to address those requirements?



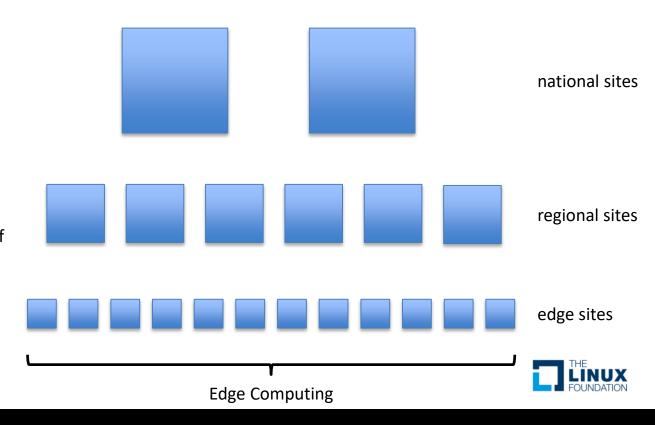
# **Edge Computing**

#### Use cases

- Low latency applications
- High-bandwidth applications
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#### Requirements

- Small hardware footprint
- Zero touch deployment, provisioning and configuration
- (Some level of) autonomy in case of disconnects from higher-level sites
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# Edge Computing

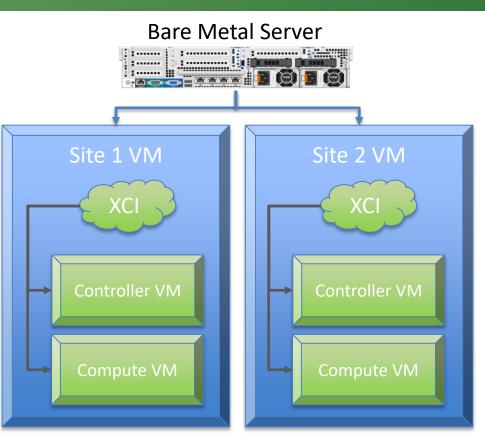
- Impact of edge computing on test tools and methods
  - Test topology
    - Automatic deployment of multiple sites
    - Inter-site connectivity
  - Consideration of networking effects
    - Control and data plane latency
    - Limited bandwidth, jitter, packet drops
    - Inter-site connectivity
  - Hardware resources
    - Limited resources in the edge: 1-4 servers



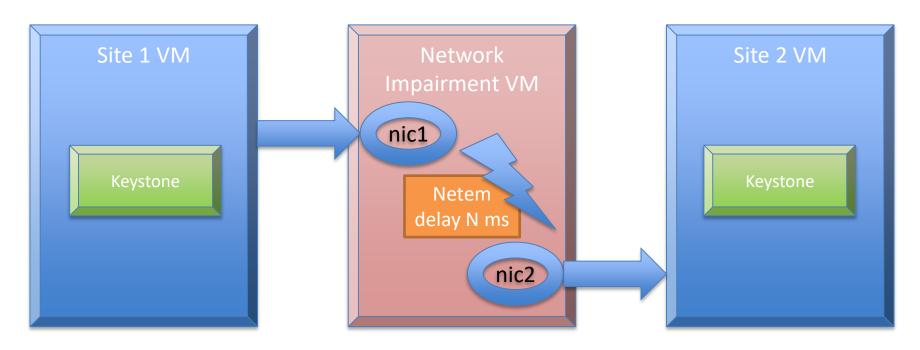
# Virtual Edge in a Box

#### OPNFV XCI

- Mini flavor installs OpenStack from master in VMs
- Can itself be in a VM
- 2 full OpenStack environments in 1 server

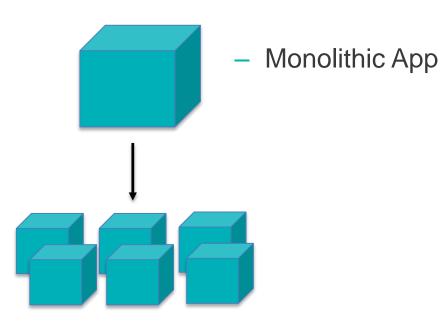


#### Modeling of Edge Networking Environment





### Cloud Native Computing



 Break down into smaller chunks

- Microservice architecture puts functionality into separate services:
  - Iterative development
  - Division of labor
  - Reduce single point of failure
  - Language/deployment flexibility
  - Build different apps using subsets of services



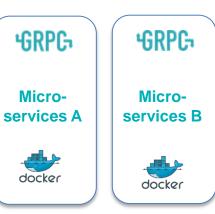
#### Micro-service Instrumentation

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ConfigMaps

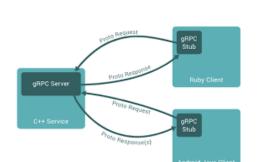


- Manage/inject app configuration
- Kubernetes resource
- Keep containers agnostic





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- **Shared Data Stores** 
  - Exchange network data, state management

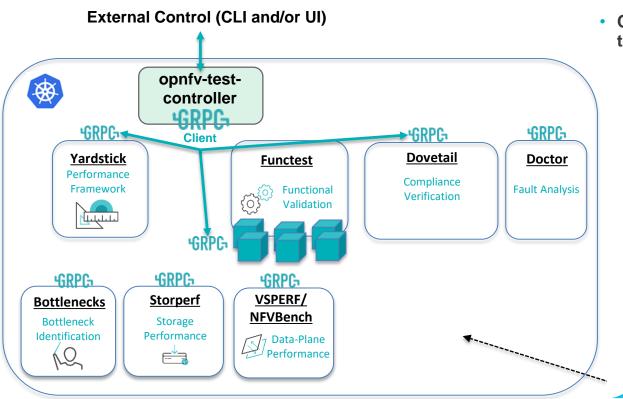




- Open-source RPC framework
- Client/server
- Bindings for most languages



### Cloud Native & OPNFV Test Projects



- Consider cloud native for OPNFV test projects
  - Package as micro-services
  - Many are already containerized
    - Functest divided into 8+
  - Add GRPC or REST server interfaces
  - Make actions more atomic within each
  - Orchestrate system level tests using different combinations of services/actions
  - Deploy all OPNFV test services in a single manifest potentially
  - Use tool-chains such as Spinnaker for CI/CD
  - Installer projects are also considering cloud native for some services



#### Summary

- Join us!
  - OPNFV test working group
    - https://wiki.opnfv.org/display/testing/TestPerf
  - OPNFV
    - https://wiki.opnfv.org/, https://www.opnfv.org/
  - OPNFV Verified
    - https://www.opnfv.org/
- Provide feedback and input!





#### Questions

```
opnfv-users@lists.opnfv.org
    #functest
    #yardstick #nsb
    #bottlenecks
#nfvbench #vsperf
```

#dovetail





# Backup

# Test tools in more detail

#### Functest in a nutshell

- Verify any kind of OpenStack and Kubernetes deployments (OPNFV model) or production environments
- Conform with upstream rules (OpenStack gate jobs and Kubernetes conformance tests)
- Ensure that the platforms meet Network Functions Virtualization requirements

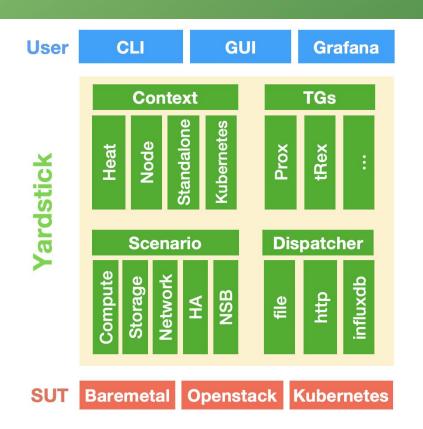


#### Functest suites

- All functional tests as defined by the upstream communities (e.g. Tempest, neutron-tempest-api, Barbican, Patrole...)
- Upstream API and dataplane benchmarking tools (Rally, Vmtp and Shaker)
- Virtual Network Function deployments and testing (vIMS, vRouter and vEPC)

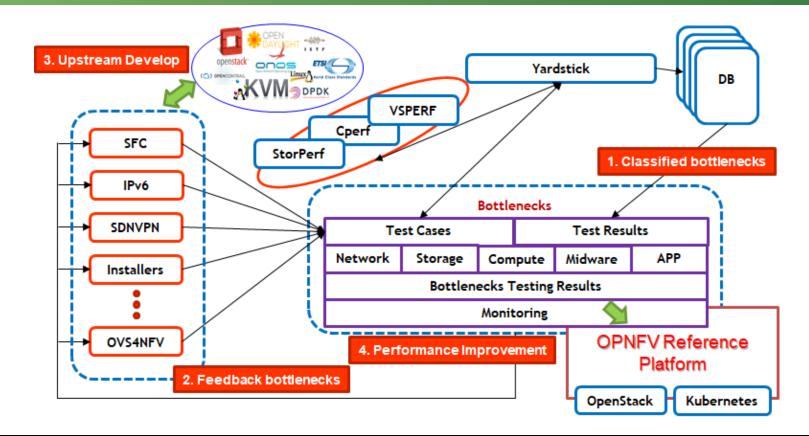


#### Yardstick



- Yardstick's Goal is to verify infrastructure compliance from the perspective of a Virtual Network Function (VNF).
- Yardstick's scope is the development of a testing framework, test cases and test stimuli to enable NFVI verification. Yardstick also includes NSB (Network services benchmarking).

#### Bottlenecks



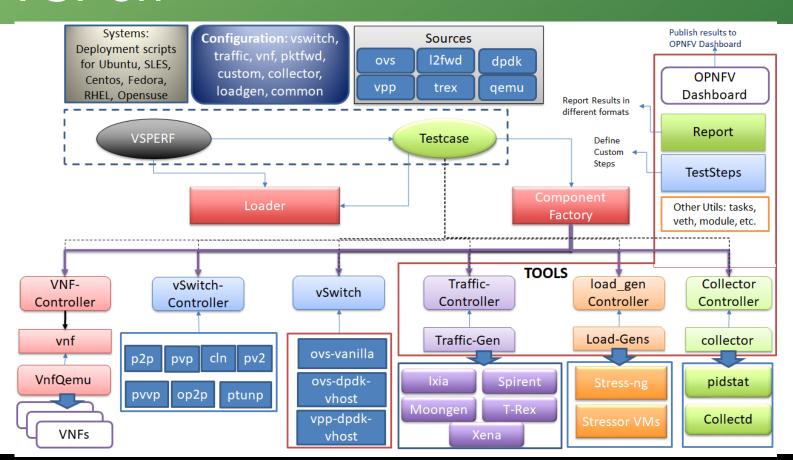


#### **VSPerf**

- Automated Framework for dataplane performance benchmarking,
  - Switching Technologies with Physical and Virtual Interfaces
- Configuration and control of topology, vswitch, VNF, traffic-generator and other software components are performed by VSPERF.
  - VSPERF provides the user the ability to choose the vswitch, Traffic-generator, VNF, etc.
- VSPERF is used as a tool for optimizing switching technologies, qualifying packet processing components and for pre-deployment evaluation of the NFV platform datapath.
- Virtual Switches:
  - OVS, VPP
- Traffic Generators
  - T-Rex, Spirent, Ixia, Xena, Moongen
- Deployment Scenarios
  - Phy2Phy, PVP, PVVP, Custom.
- VSPERF tests are defined and driven by Level Test Design (LTD) Specification.
  - VSPERF supports designing and implementing custom tests through its 'integration-tests' feature.
- VSPERF supports multiple modes:
  - Ex: Trafficgen-off mode: VSPERF will do setup of DUT, but no control the traffic-generator.



#### **VSPerf**





#### NFVBench

- Tool that provides an automated way to measure the network performance for the most common data plane packet flows on any OpenStack system.
- Designed to be easy to install and easy to use by non-experts
  - there is no need to be an expert in traffic generators and data plane performance testing.
- The tool is built around the open source T-Rex traffic generator and is useful for testing a full NFVI subsystem that includes ToR switches.
- The key areas of strength for NFVbench are in its automation of the traffic generator, ability to test a full subsystem, and to perform this testing on a production cloud.

