

DPDK on Microsoft Azure

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Agenda

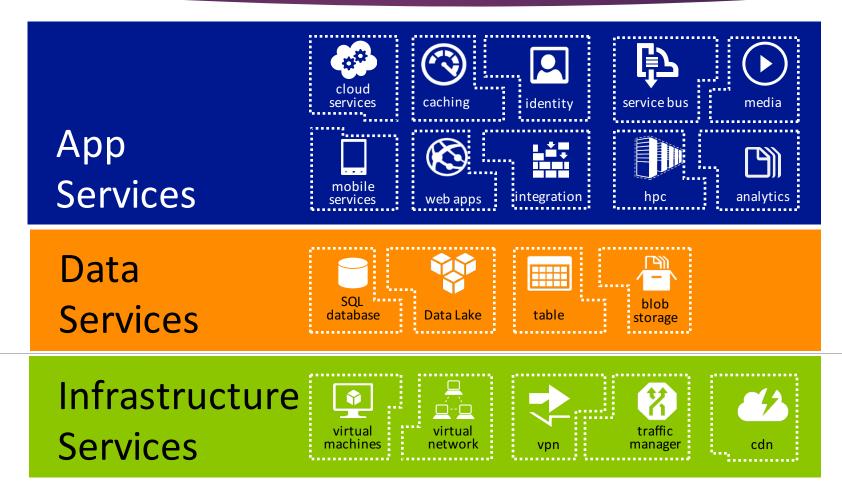


- Microsoft Azure
- ► The need for DPDK in the Cloud NFV
- Accelerated Networking in Azure
- ► Enhancements to DPDK for Cloud usage
 - ► Host Serviceability and VM Migration support
- ▶ Public Preview of DPDK on Azure



Microsoft Azure







The Need for DPDK in the Cloud



- As customers migrate on-prem networks and apps to the cloud, NFV has become wildly popular
- Popular appliances in Azure Marketplace: Load Balancing, L7 filtering, web application firewalls, application gateways, DDoS protection, SD-WAN, and more
- DPDK can improve performance, throughput, latency, and reliability for this important class of workloads
- ► Goal: How can we make DPDK appliances work well in the public cloud?



Azure Accelerated Networking: DPDK Fastest Cloud Network!

- Highest bandwidth VMs of any cloud
 - ▶ Up to 30Gbps for full-sized regular compute VMs
 - ► Standard Linux VM with CUBIC gets 30+Gbps on a single connection
- Consistent low latency network performance
 - Provides SR-IOV to the VM
 - ▶ Up to 10x latency improvement as low as sub-10us within tenants
 - Increased packets per second (PPS)
 - ▶ Reduced jitter means more consistency in workloads



>2x improvement for many DB and OLTP applications





Accelerated Networking Internals: DPDK SR-IOV

Virtual Network

Physical server 2

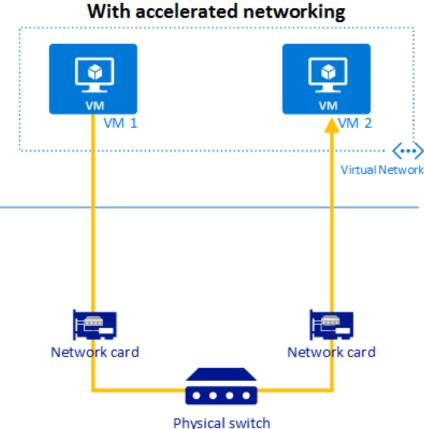
Virtual switch

Network card

SDN/Networking policy applied in FPC software in the host

Without accelerated networking

FPGA-based SmartNIC acceleration used to apply all policies





Azure infrastructure

Virtual switch

Network card

Physical

server 1

Physical switch

services

Azure hosting infrastructure

The Need for Serviceability

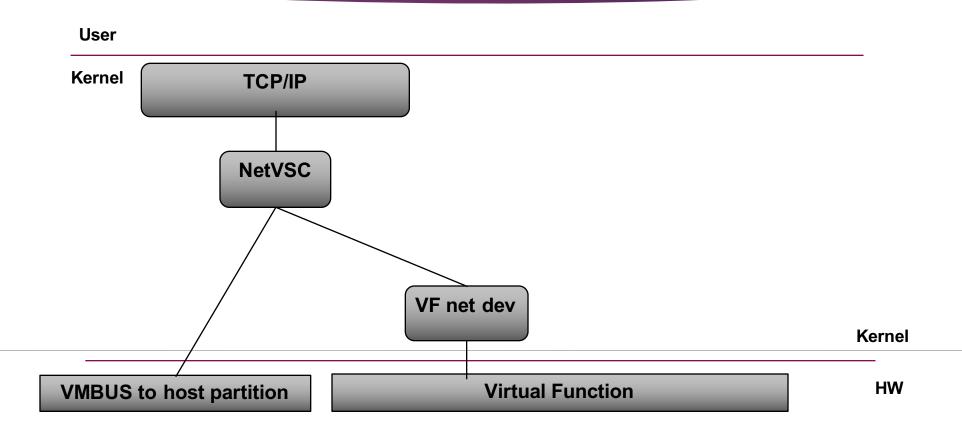


- Support migration of VMs
- ► Host updates including PF driver updates
- ► Completely transparent to the VM network stack
- Completely transparent to the DPDK applications



Accelerated Networking with serviceability & migration support

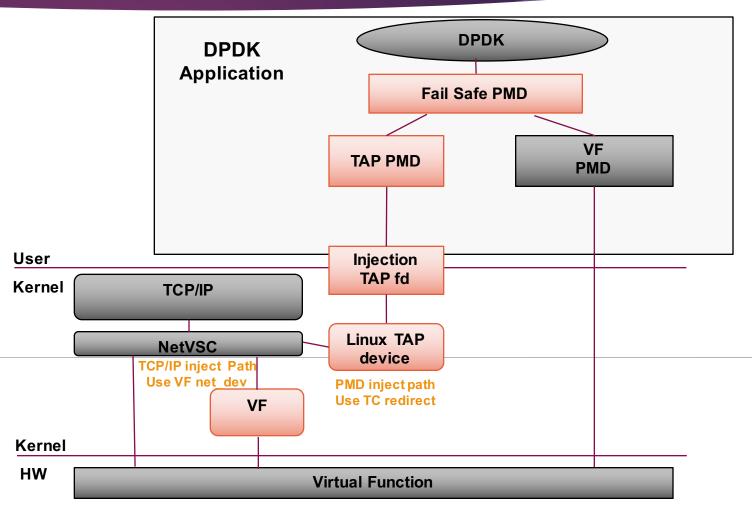




DPDK with serviceability & migration support

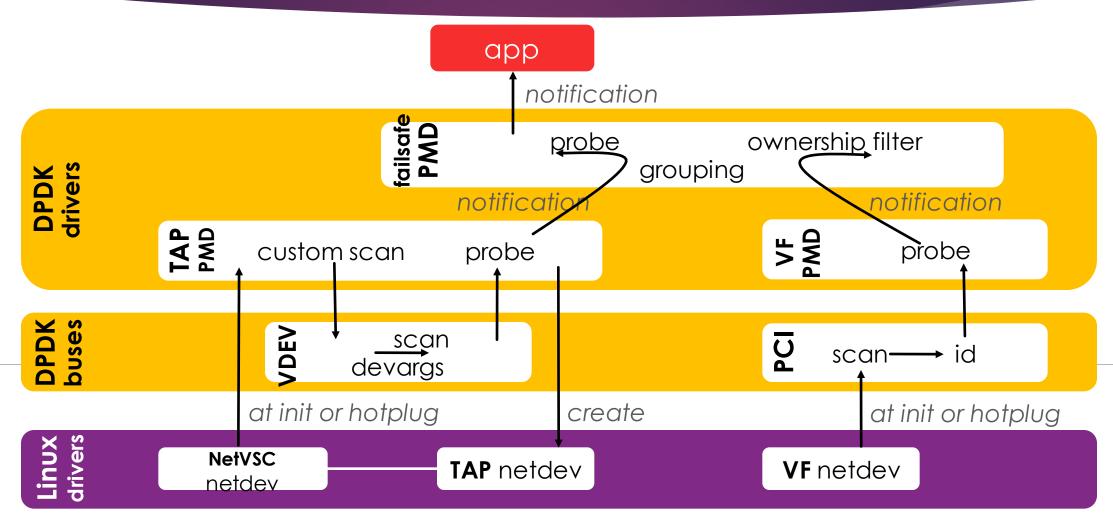


- DPDK application binds over failsafe PMD
- Transparent failsafe works over VF PMD and TAP PMD
- TAP PMD will create TC rules with action "redirect" to forward traffic from NetVSC to TAP net_dev and from TAP to NetVSC



Transparent failsafe





Ignite 2017 - DPDK Developer Preview



► Launched production DPDK access to select registered developers at Ignite (September 2017) based on 17.08

Got lots of great feedback from the community

<u>Demo</u>: A10 vThunder appliance running over DPDK on Azure at 30Gbps line-rate



New Announcement - DPDK Public Preview!



- ► DPDK capable VMs are now available in Canada East!
- All Accelerated Networking VM sizes supported
 - ▶ 4+ core VMs
- Look for additional region availability and GA in the coming months!
- We want to work with the community to find ways to make servicing and migration completely transparent to DPDK applications
- Developers Please try DPDK on Azure and give us feedback!

For any questions regarding the preview, please email AzureDPDK@Microsoft.com



Questions?