



# Navigating DHCP Processes in SD-Access Network

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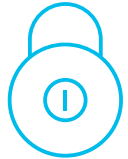


# Agenda



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2. Limitations of DHCP in SD-Access networks



3. DHCP process within SD-Access



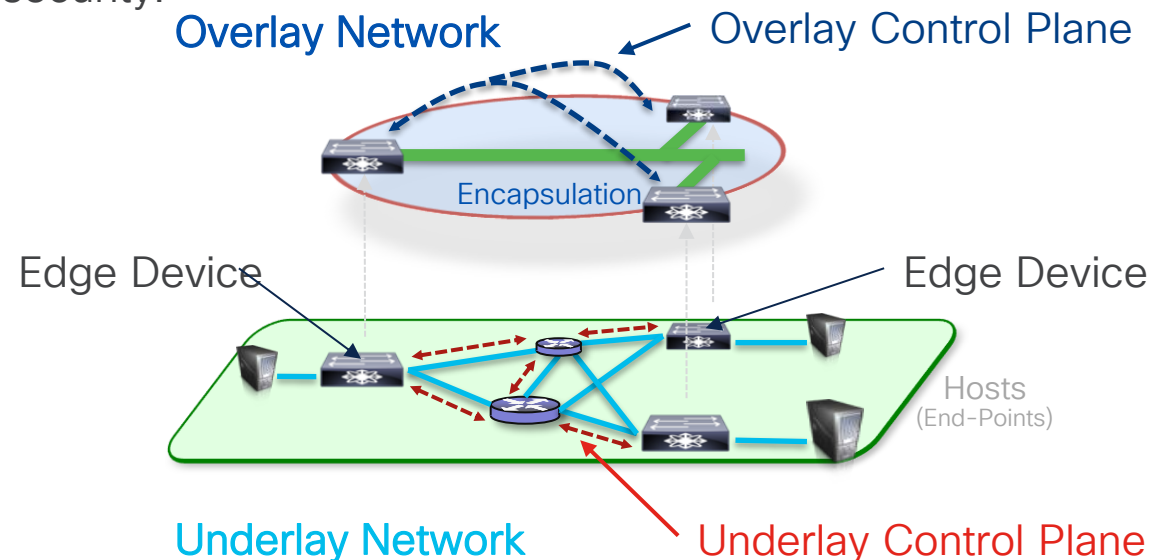
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# Fundamentals of DHCP in SD-Access

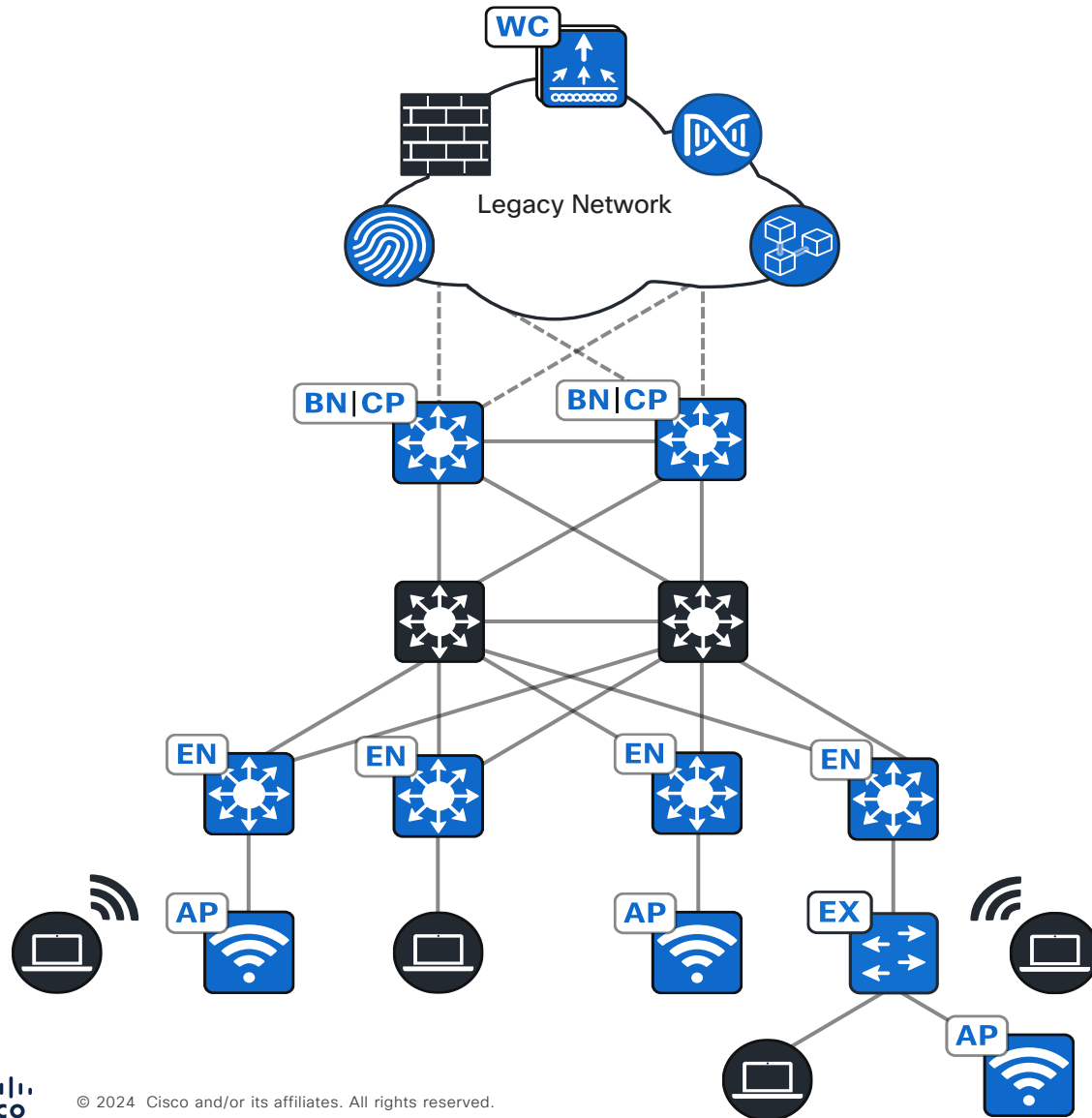
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# What is SD-Access?

- Built on the principles of intent-based networking, SD-Access helps organizations enable policy-based automation from the edge to the cloud.
- SD-Access provides network architects with the tools needed to orchestrate key business functions such as user onboarding, secure segmentation, IoT integration, and guest access.
- SD-Access automates user and device policy for any application across both wireless and wired networks through a single fabric network.
- And SD-Access is a transformational change. It allows IT to configure network access in minutes for any user, device, or application, without compromising security.



# Example of an SD-Access Network



Orchestrator Plane:



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Control Plane:

Cisco Locator-ID Separation Protocol (LISP)

Data Plane:

Virtual Extensible LAN (VXLAN)

Security Plane:



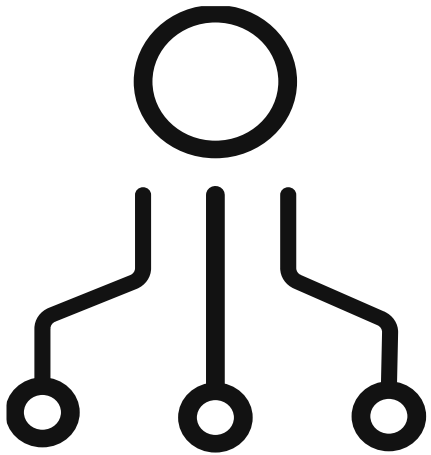
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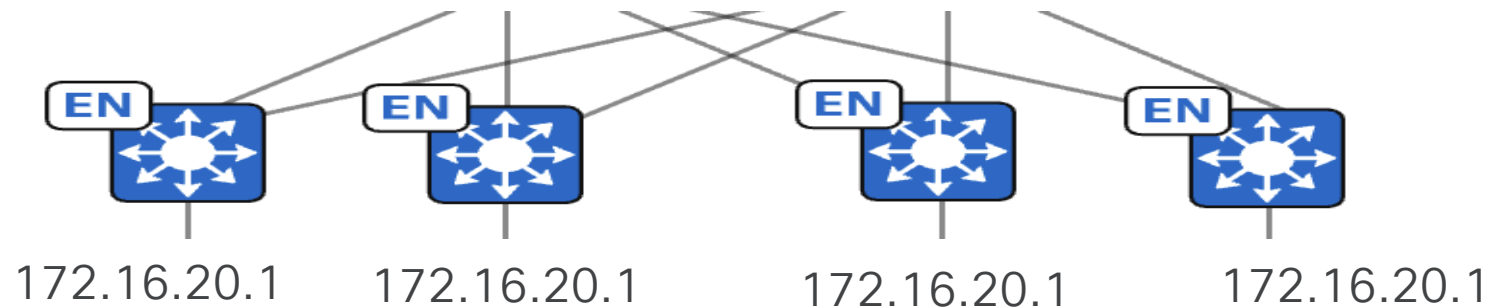
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# Anycast Gateway

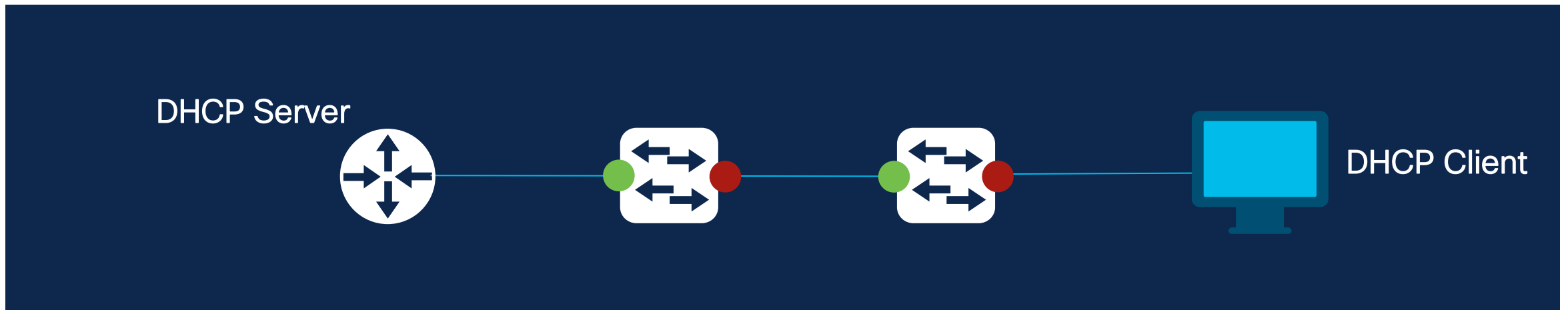


It is a technique that allows a single IP address to be used by multiple devices (or gateways) in a network, and the traffic is automatically routed to the nearest (or most suitable) device that holds that IP address. This technique is based on the principle of anycast, which is a form of addressing in which a single identifier is shared by multiple points of presence.



# What is the DHCP Protocol used for?

The DHCP Protocol (Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol) is used to automatically assign IP addresses and other network parameters to devices (such as computers, phones, printers, etc.) on a network. Its main function is to simplify the configuration of devices connected to a network, avoiding the need for an administrator to manually configure each device with a static IP address.



# Messages Involved in DHCP

Messages Sent by the Client in DHCP:

- **DISCOVER**
- **REQUEST**
- **RELEASE:** Used to tell the sever that client does no longer need an IP address
- **DECLINE:** Used to decline the IP address offered by a DHCP server

Messages sent by DHCP server:

- **OFFER**
- **ACK**
- **NAK:** used to decline a DHCP request message

# DHCP Process to Obtain an IP Address



# DHCP Relay

- It is a mechanism used to forward DHCP messages between clients and servers when they are not on the same local network (subnet). In scenarios where a DHCP server is located on a different subnet than the client, a DHCP relay agent is used to pass DHCP messages between the client and server. The `ip helper-address` command enables DHCP Relay Agent functionality in Cisco IOS-XE.

The diagram illustrates a network topology for DHCP relay. A central 'Fusion' node connects to two 'Border Node' devices (BN) and an 'Edge Node' (EN). The 'DHCP Server' is connected to the 'Fusion' node. The 'Edge Node' is connected to a 'VRF GREEN' and has an 'SVI VLAN 1022' with IP address 172.16.20.1 and a loopback address of 172.16.1.69. A large blue box contains the configuration for the SVI interface:

```
Edge1#show run interface vlan 1022
!
interface Vlan1022
ip address 172.16.20.1 255.255.255.0
ip helper-address 172.16.0.1
[omitted]
```

The background shows the 'Design > Network Settings > IP Address Pool' configuration interface. The 'Edit IP Pool' window is open for 'Oeir2\_Sporting\_GREEN'. The configuration includes:

- IP Address Pool Name: Oeir2\_Sporting\_GREEN
- Type: Generic
- IP Address Space: IPv4 (Default)
- IPv4 Subnet: 172.16.0.0/16 (OeirColet\_PT\_Pool)
- IPv4 Subnet: 172.16.20.0/24
- Gateway: 172.16.20.1
- DHCP Server(s): 172.16.0.1

# DHCP option 82 DHCP Relay Agent Information Option

- It is an extension of the DHCP protocol that provides additional information to DHCP servers about the location of the client requesting an IP address. This option is particularly useful in large or complex networks where clients are connected through multiple network devices such as switches and routers.

```
...  
Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (Discover)  
  Message type: Boot Request (1)  
...  
Option: (82) Agent Information Option  
  Length: 20  
Option 82 Suboption: (1) Agent Circuit ID  
  Length: 6  
  Agent Circuit ID: 000403fe010a  
Option 82 Suboption: (2) Agent Remote ID  
  Length: 10  
  Agent Remote ID: 030800100501ac100145...
```

# Who generates DHCP Option 82?

TAC Tip



DHCP Snooping is the feature that helps insert Option 82.

Circuit ID value analyzed: 00040**3fe010a**  
Remote ID value analyzed: **030800100501ac100145**

From Circuit ID:

-----  
VLAN: 1022                   hex = 0x3fe  
Module: 1                    hex = 0x01  
Port: 10                     hex = 0x0a

From Remote ID:

-----  
Sub-option: 3                hex = 0x03  
Length of option: 8         hex = 0x08  
LISP Instance ID: 4101      hex = 0x01005  
IP Locator : IPv4            hex = 0x01  
Source Locator: 172.16.1.69   hex = 0xac100145 ← Loopback0 IP

```
Switch# show ip dhcp snooping
```

**Switch DHCP snooping is enabled**

DHCP snooping is configured on following VLANs:

11,101,1021-**1022**,1025-1026

DHCP snooping is operational on following VLANs:

11,101,1021-**1022**,1025-1026

[snipped]

**Insertion of option 82 is enabled**

**circuit-id default format: vlan-mod-port**

remote-id: 00bf.7798.4980 (MAC)

**Option 82 on untrusted port is not allowed**

Verification of hwaddr field is enabled

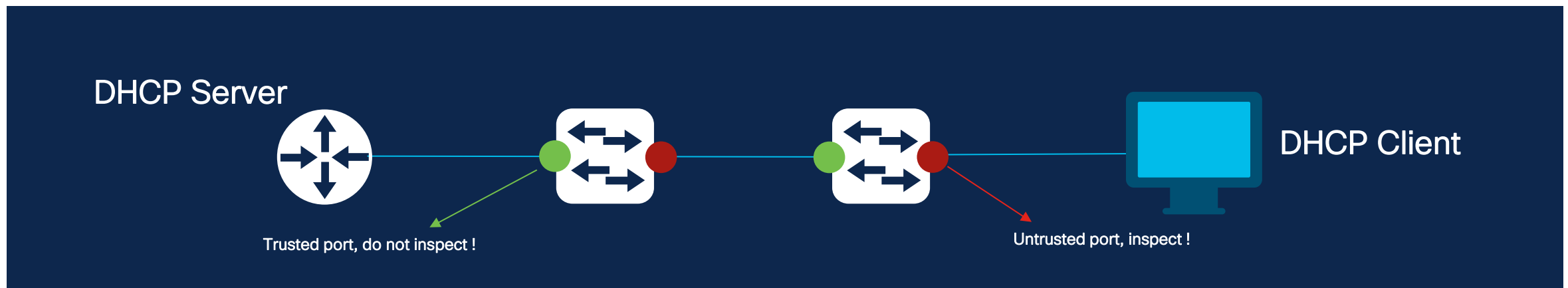
Verification of giaddr field is enabled

# What is DHCP Snooping and How it Works?

DHCP Snooping is a Layer 2 security feature on switches that acts as a "trusted" or "untrusted" filter for DHCP traffic.

## Configuration of Trusted and Untrusted Ports:

- **Trusted Ports (trust):** These are the switch ports that are connected to legitimate DHCP servers and other switches or routers that are expected to act as DHCP servers. DHCP snooping will not inspect messages on trusted ports; the switch will simply forward them normally.
- **Untrusted Ports (untrust):** These are the ports connected to end devices, such as workstations and computers. These ports are configured as untrusted. These ports should not send DHCP server messages. DHCP snooping will inspect DHCP messages on untrusted ports.





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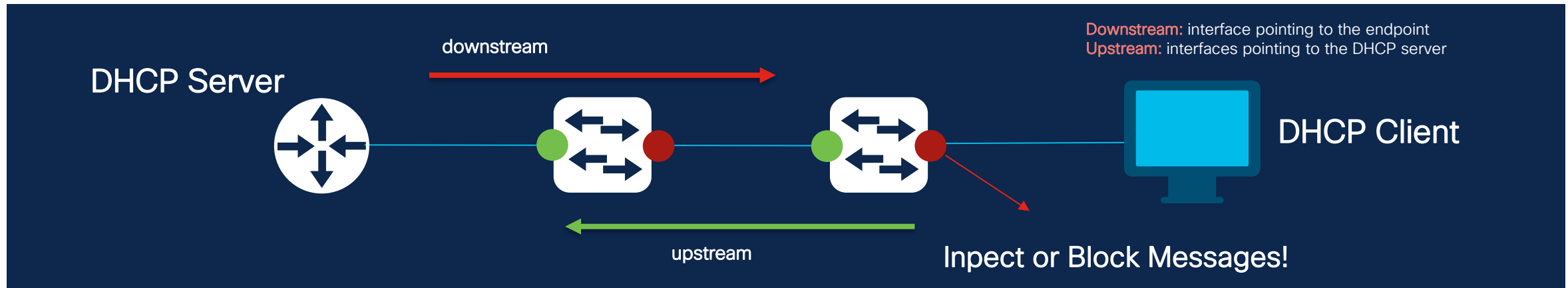
## DHCP Message Filtering:



**Allowed Messages:** Only DHCP server messages (DHCPOFFER, DHCPACK) are allowed through trusted ports.



**Blocked Messages:** DHCP request messages (DHCPREQUEST) and other messages from untrusted ports are blocked, except for DHCPDISCOVER and DHCPREQUEST messages from clients.

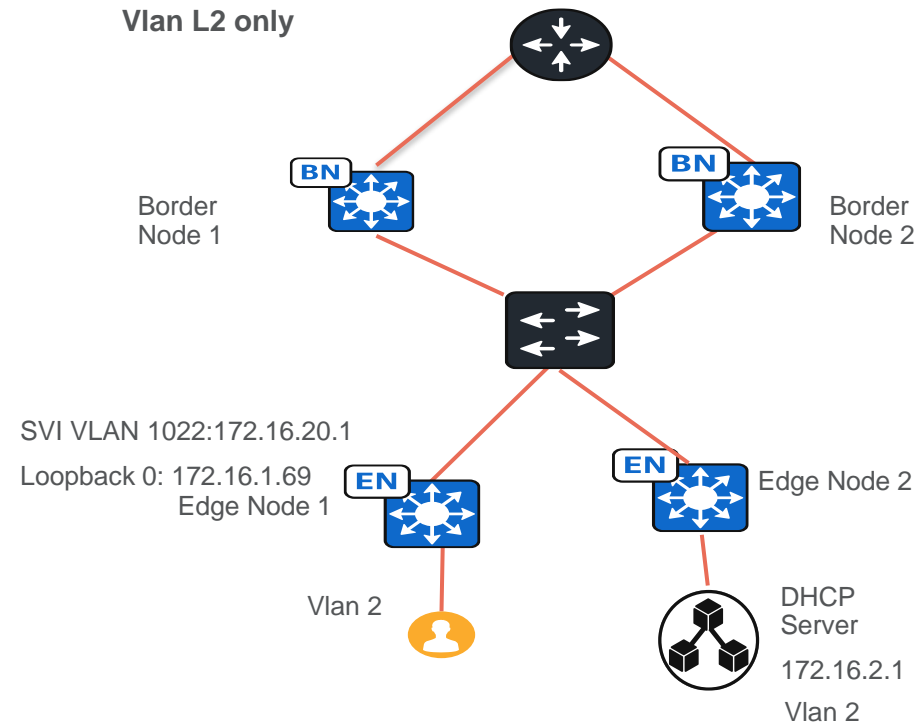
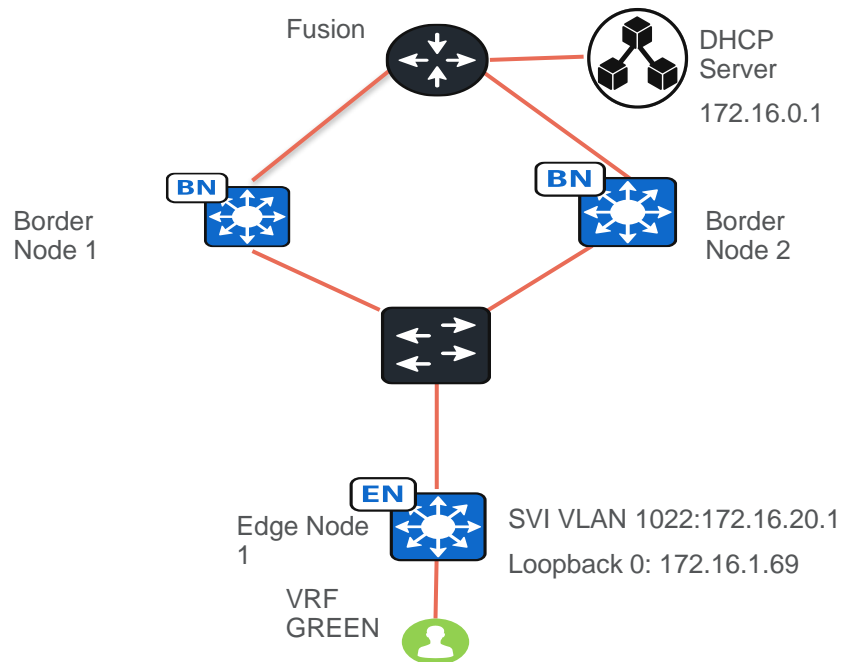


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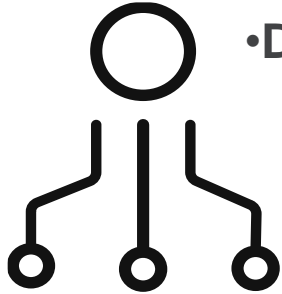
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# Limitations of DHCP in SD-Access Networks

- DHCP servers cannot connect to a Fabric Edge as part of a Fabric IP Pool.
  - Any DHCP packet received with VXLAN encapsulation destined for anything other than the Anycast gateway IP address will be discarded.
  - There is an **exception** when we have an L2-only VLAN in the Fabric.



# Limitations of DHCP in SD-Access Networks



- **DHCP servers must accept and retain the DHCP Option 82.**

- DHCP Relay Agents will use the source IP of the SVI (Anycast Gateway) of each IP Pool to forward the packet. This requires additional information to identify the correct Edge/Relay Agent.

- **Avoid disabling DHCP snooping as a workaround when validating issues.**

- DHCP snooping is the component responsible for inserting Option 82 into the DHCP Discover packet; without this Option 82 present, DHCP Offer packets will not be sent to the correct switch.



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## It is possible to have a DHCP server inside the Fabric?

True  
 0%

Just with L3 Only  
 0%

False  
 0%

Just with L2 Only  
 0%

# Limitations of DHCP in SD-Access Networks

- **Bidirectional applications may not work with relays (IP helpers).**
  - The addresses specified in IP helpers can relay a variety of UDP protocols; most of them, except for DHCP, do not include a value like Option 82 to identify the source of the packet.

TAC Tip



The following UDP port combinations are allowed for processing DHCP packets:

- Source Port: 68, Destination Port: 67
- Source Port: 67, Destination Port: 67
- Source Port: 67, Destination Port: 68

```
> User Datagram Protocol, Src Port: 68, Dst Port: 67
> Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (Discover)
```

Any other port combination will be DROPPED.



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**Which is the necessary option in DHCP to operate correctly in the SD-Access Fabric?**

Option 66

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Option 82

0%

Option 43

0%

Option 67

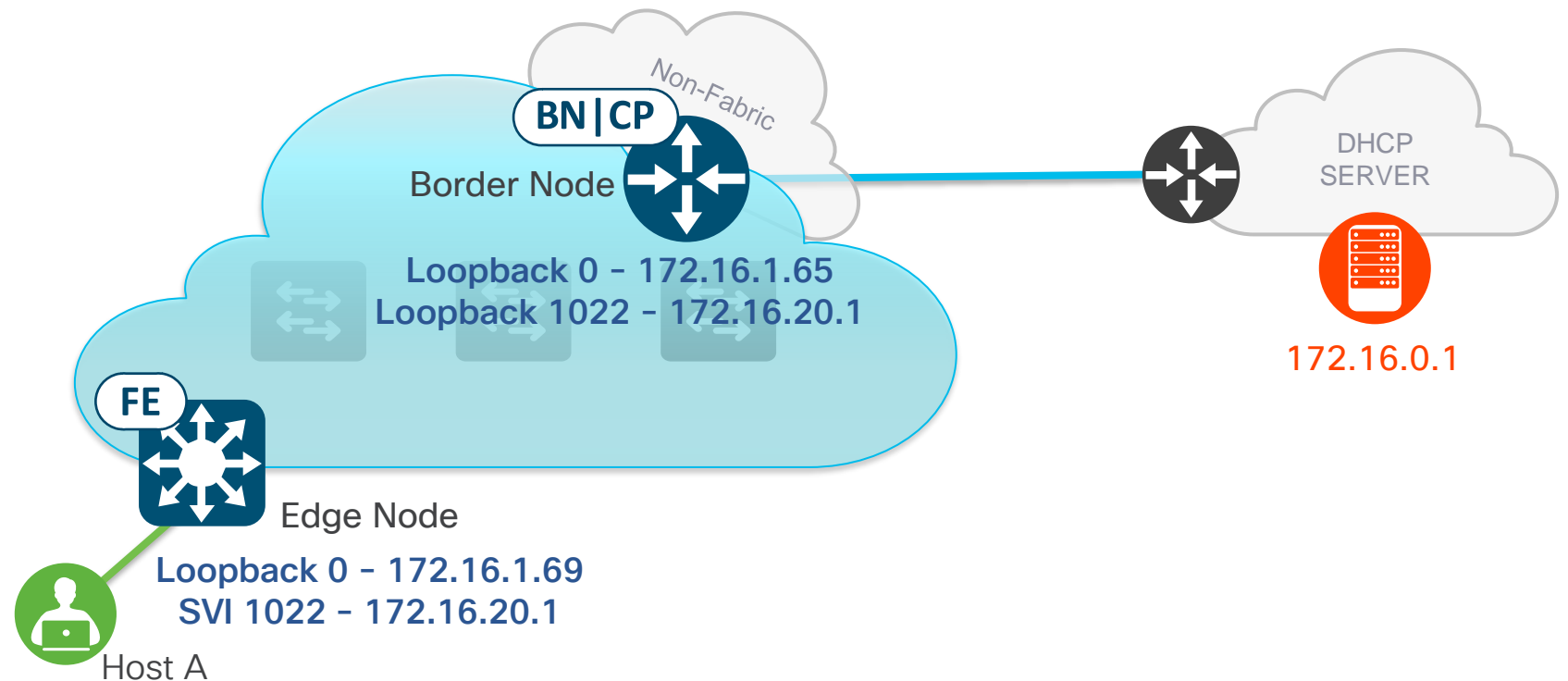
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# DHCP process within SD-Access

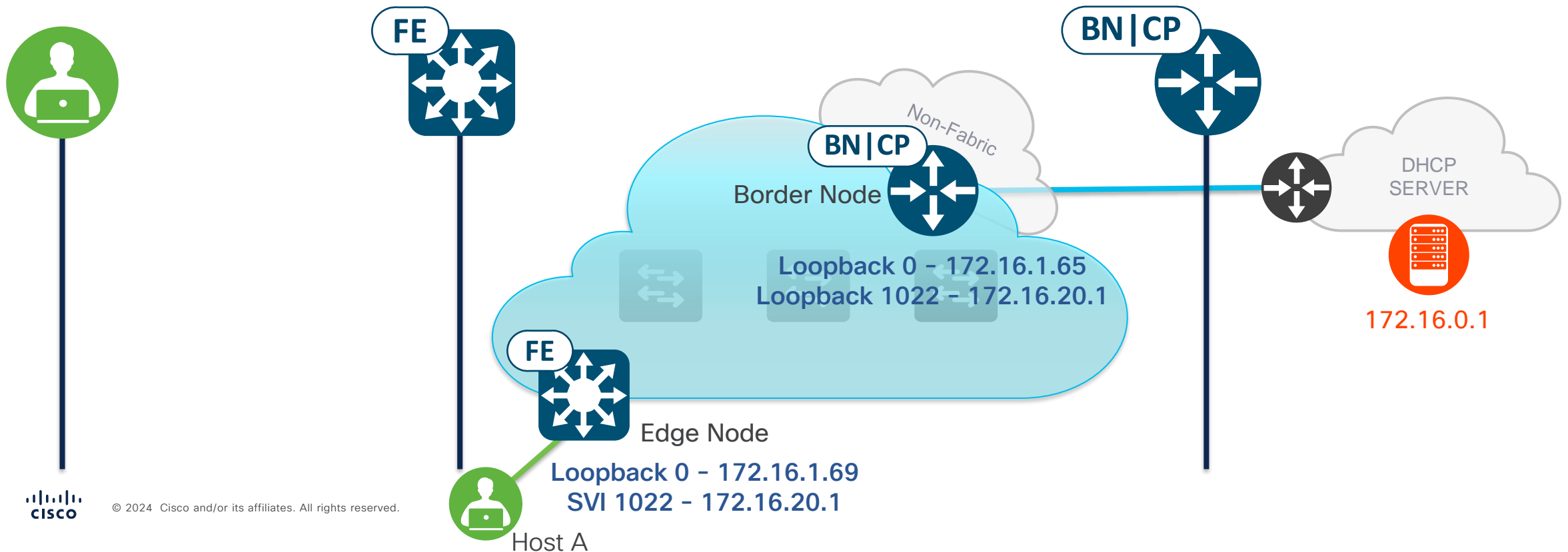
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# DHCP process within SD-Access - Discover



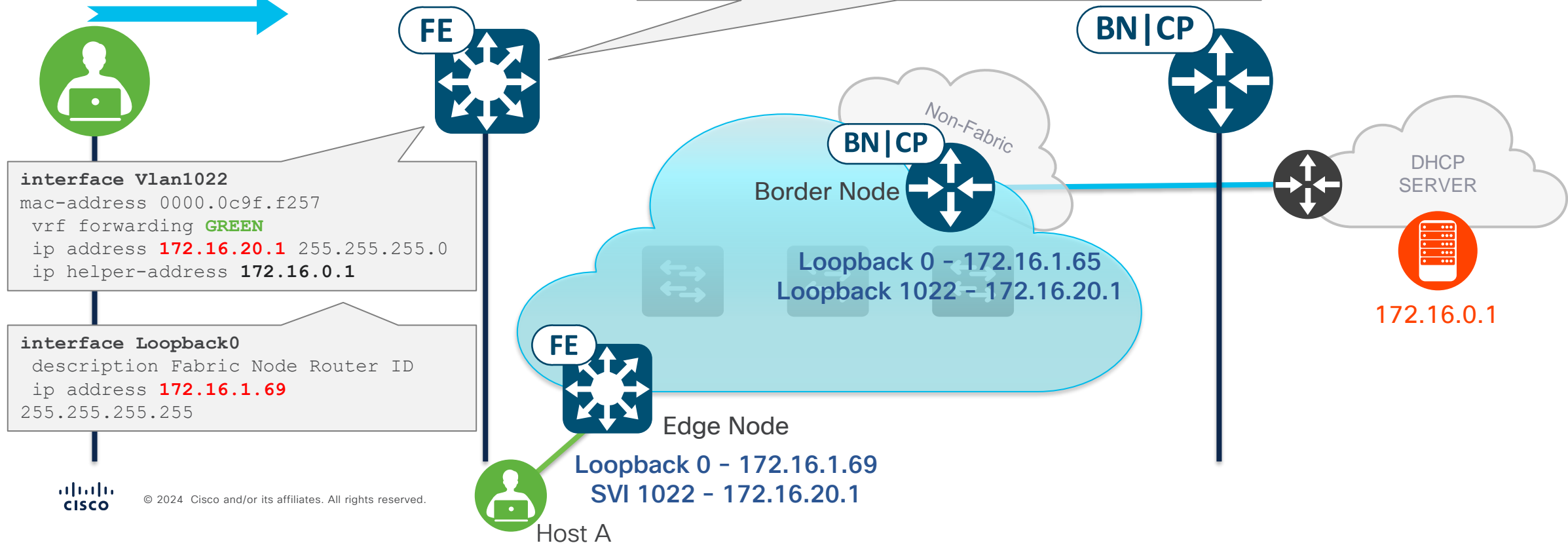
# DHCP process within SD-Access - Discover

```
Edge1_Oeiras#show mac address interface Te1/0/3
Mac Address Table
-----
Vlan    Mac Address      Type      Ports
----    -
1022    aaaa.bbbb.2222   DYNAMIC   Te1/0/3
```

```
Edge1_Oeiras#show ip dhcp snooping
Switch DHCP snooping is enabled
Switch DHCP gleaning is disabled
DHCP snooping is configured on following VLANs:
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DHCP snooping is operational on following VLANs:
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Insertion of option 82 is enabled
circuit-id default format: vlan-mod-port
remote-id: 00bf.7798.4980 (MAC)
```

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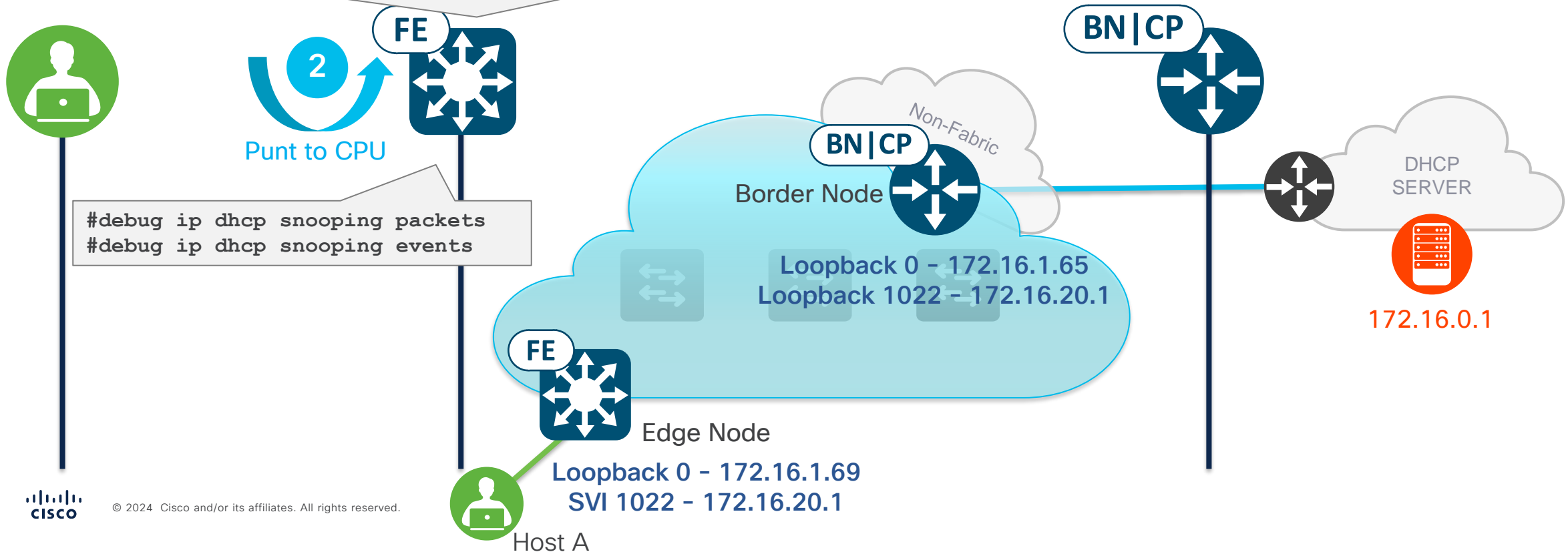


```
interface Vlan1022
mac-address 0000.0c9f.f257
vrf forwarding GREEN
ip address 172.16.20.1 255.255.255.0
ip helper-address 172.16.0.1
```

```
interface Loopback0
description Fabric Node Router ID
ip address 172.16.1.69
255.255.255.255
```

# DHCP process within SD-Access - Discover

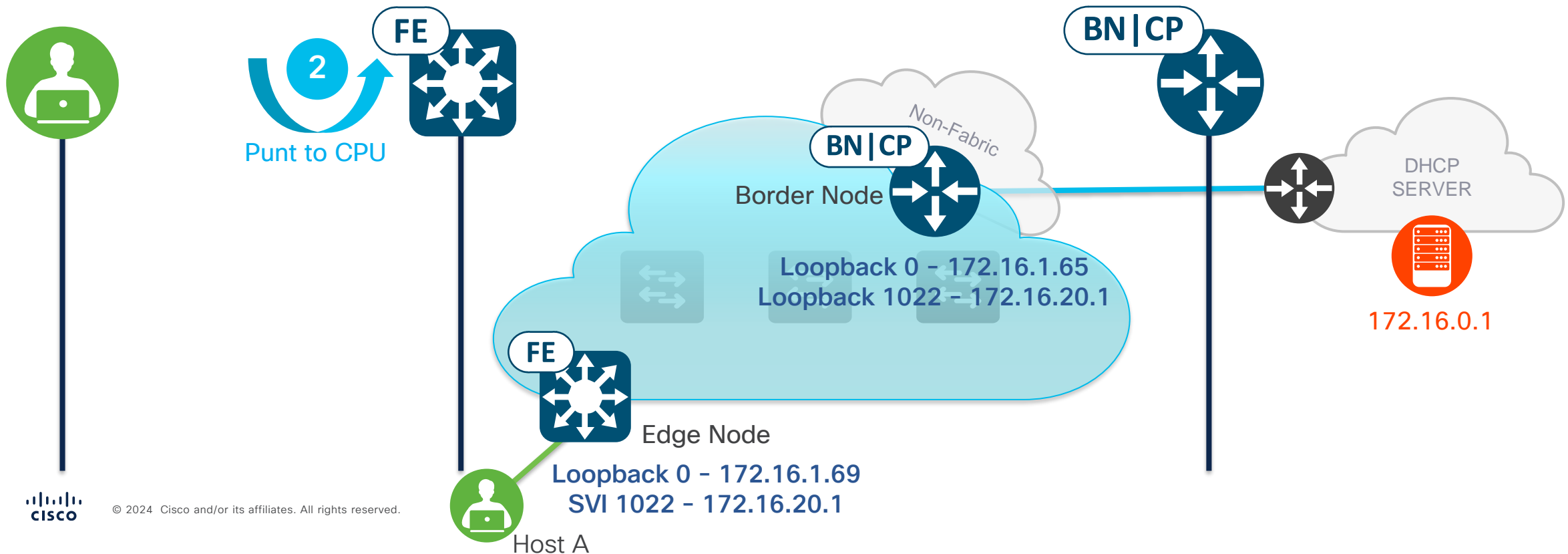
```
050949: *Sep 3 08:41:53.625: DHCP_SNOOPING: process new DHCP packet, message type: DHCPDISCOVER, input interface: Te1/0/3, MAC da:
ffff.ffff.ffff, MAC sa: aaaa.bbbb.2222, IP da: 255.255.255.255, IP sa: 0.0.0.0, DHCP ciaddr: 0.0.0.0, DHCP yiaddr: 0.0.0.0, DHCP siaddr: 0.0.0.0,
DHCP giaddr: 0.0.0.0, DHCP chaddr: aaaa.bbbb.2222, efp_id: 696189056, vlan_id: 1022, bootpflag:0x32768 (Broadcast)
050950: *Sep 3 08:41:53.625: DHCP_SNOOPING: add relay information option.
050951: *Sep 3 08:41:53.625: DHCP_SNOOPING: Encoding opt82 CID in vlan-mod-port format
050952: *Sep 3 08:41:53.625: :VLAN case : VLAN ID 1022
050953: *Sep 3 08:41:53.625: VRF id is valid
050954: *Sep 3 08:41:53.625: LISP ID is valid, encoding RID in srloc format
050955: *Sep 3 08:41:53.625: DHCP_SNOOPING: binary dump of relay info option, length: 22 data:
050956: *Sep 3 08:41:53.626: DHCP_S BRIDGE PAK: vlan=1022 platform_flags=1
050957: *Sep 3 08:41:53.626: DHCP_SNOOPING: bridge packet get invalid mat entry: FFFF.FFFF.FFFF, packet is flooded to ingress VLAN: (1022)
050958: *Sep 3 08:41:53.626: DHCP_SNOOPING: bridge packet send packet to cpu port: Vlan1022.
```



# DHCP process within SD-Access - Discover

Capture in CPU- Edge Node

```
Edge1_Oeiras#show monitor capture cap buffer display-filter bootp
94  0.0.0.0 -> 255.255.255.255 DHCP 378 DHCP Discover - Original
95  172.16.20.1 -> 172.16.0.1   DHCP 428 DHCP Discover - Relay Injected
```



# DHCP process within SD-Access - Discover

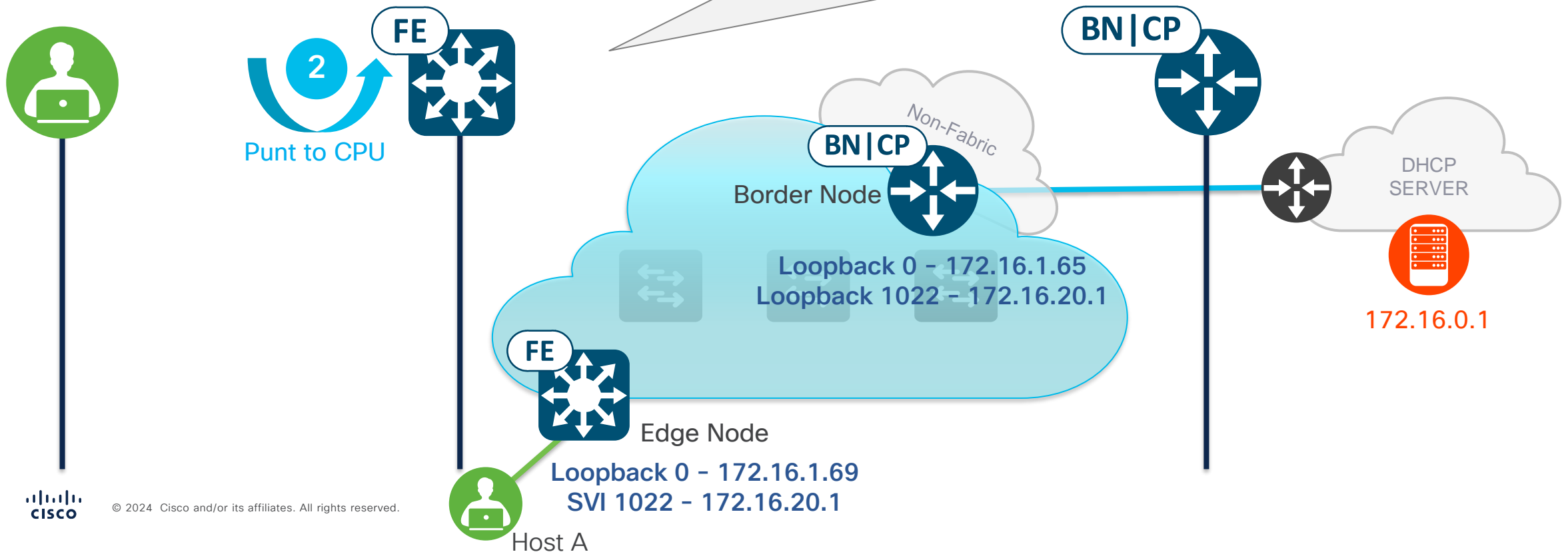
Capture in CPU- Edge Node

- Option 82 Inserts the Loopback 0 IP of the RLOC in Hexadecimal

ac - 172  
10 - 16  
01 - 1  
45 - 69

172.16.1.69 >>>

```
Edge1_Oeiras#sh mon cap cap buf dis frame.number==95 de | se Agent
Option: (82) Agent Information Option
Length: 20
Option 82 Suboption: (1) Agent Circuit ID
Length: 6
Agent Circuit ID: 000403fe0103
Option 82 Suboption: (2) Agent Remote ID
Length: 10
Agent Remote ID: 030800100601ac100145
```



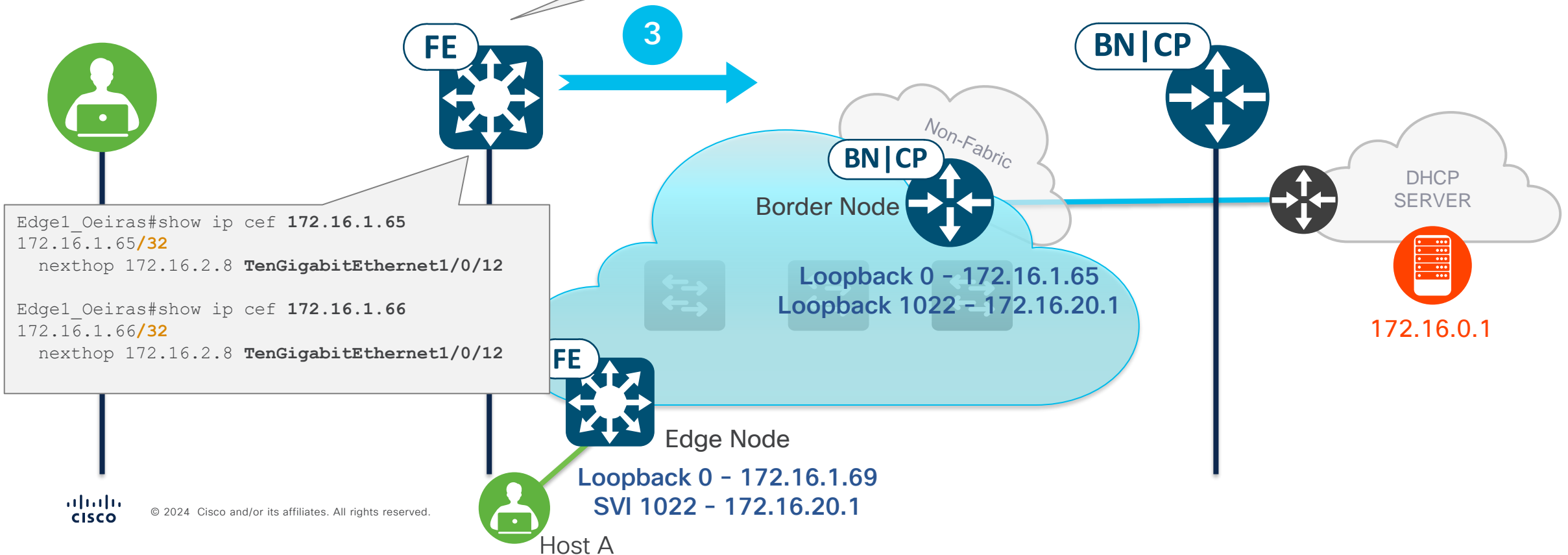
# DHCP process within SD-Access - Discover

- The traffic is sent from 172.16.20.1 (SVI on the Edge) to 172.16.0.1 (IP of the DHCP Server)

## Verifying:

- What decision does CEF make to forward the traffic?
- Is the route to the Border (RLOC) a /32?

```
Edge1_Oeiras#show ip cef vrf GREEN 172.16.0.1
0.0.0.0/0
  nexthop 172.16.1.65 LISP0.4102
  nexthop 172.16.1.66 LISP0.4102
```

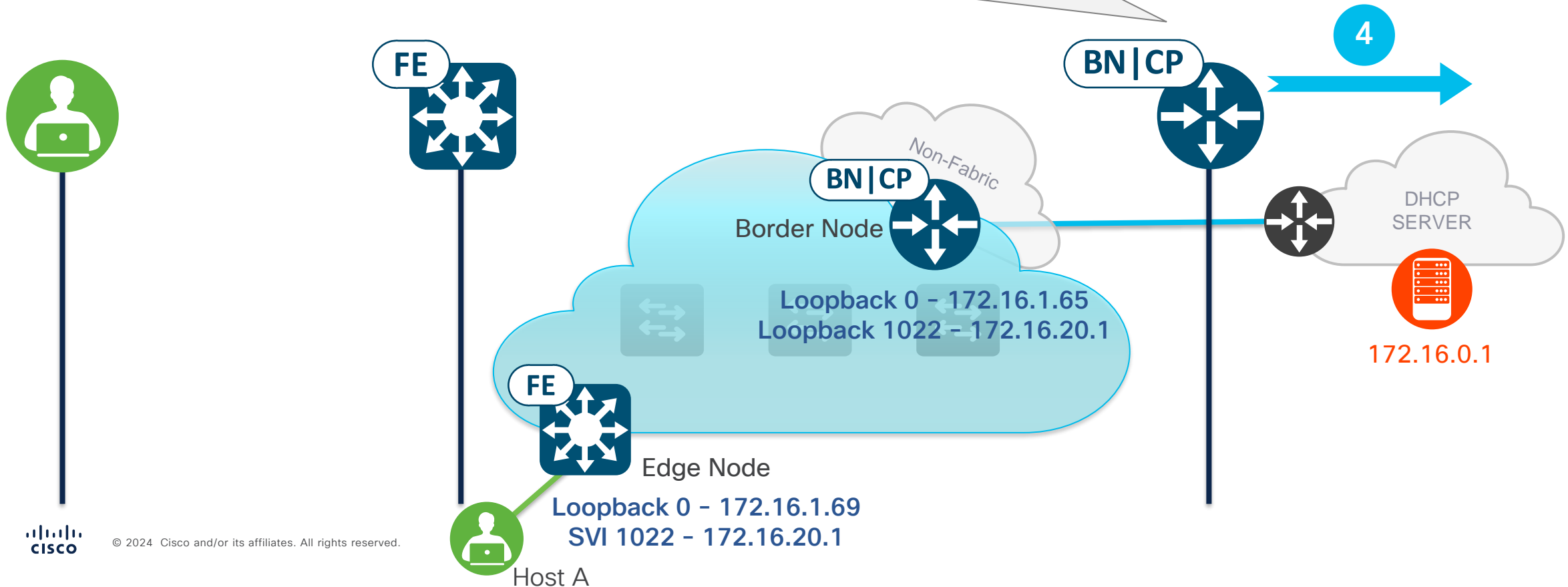


# DHCP process within SD-Access - Discover

## Verifying:

- Connectivity from the Border to the DHCP Server (Routing Table)
- Correctly functioning VRF leaking on the Fusion
- Option 82 inserted in the DHCP Discover

```
Border1_Oeiras#ping vrf GREEN 172.16.0.1 source loopback 1022
Packet sent with a source address of 172.16.20.1
!!!!
Success rate is 100 percent (5/5)
```

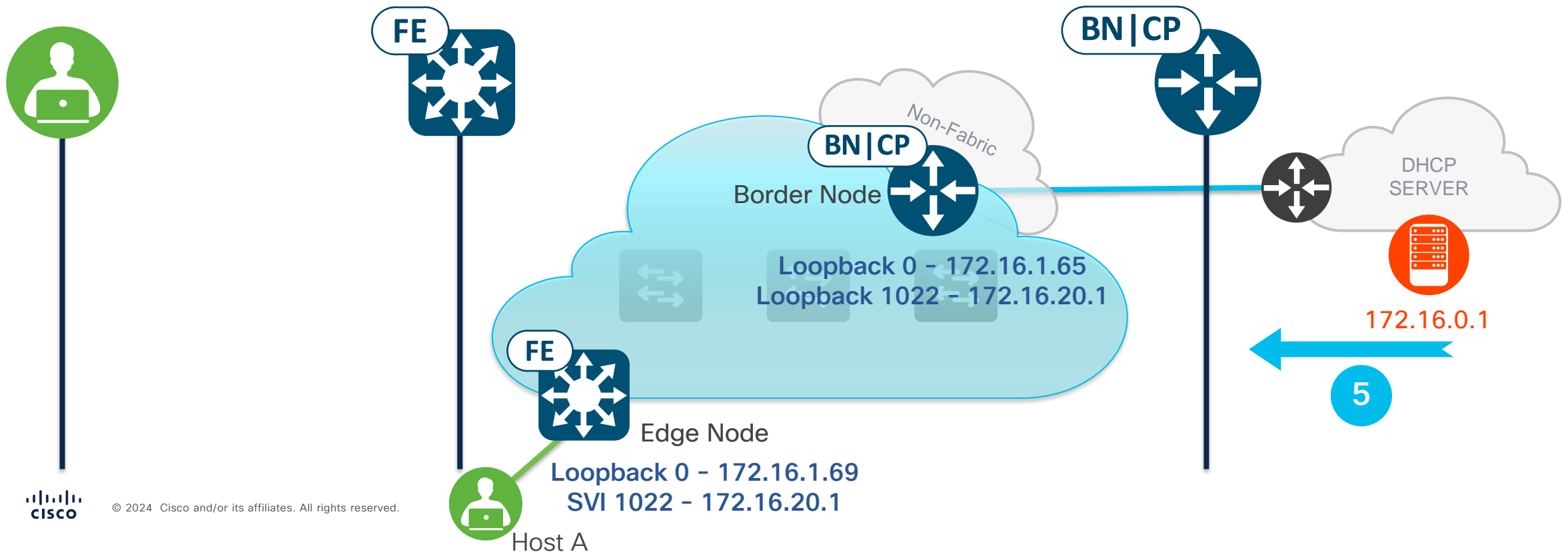




# DHCP process within SD-Access - Offer

The Offer Packet Has a Destination IP of 172.16.20.1 (Anycast Gateway)

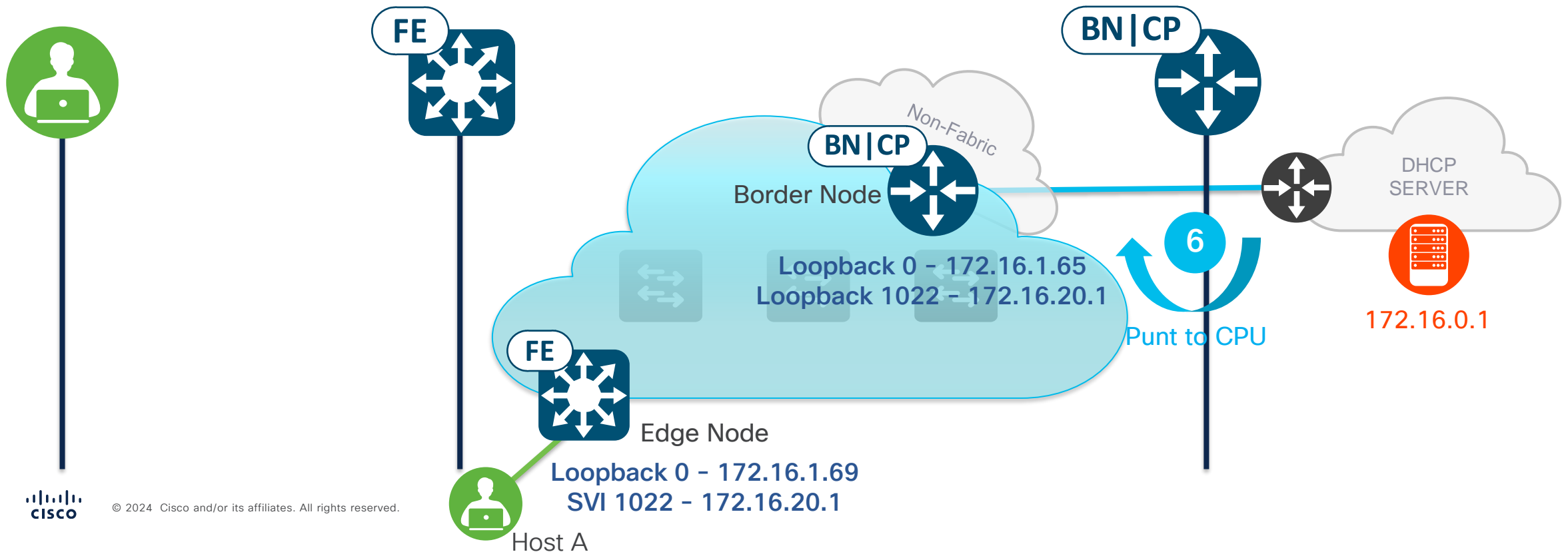
Does Option 82 prevail in the Offer packet? → Packet capture on the interface



# DHCP process within SD-Access - Offer

```
Border1_Oeiras#show ip dhcp snooping
Switch DHCP snooping is disabled
Switch DHCP gleaning is disabled
DHCP snooping is configured on following VLANs:
None
```

```
Border1_Oeiras#show ip cef vrf GREEN 172.16.20.1
172.16.20.1/32
receive for Loopback1022
```

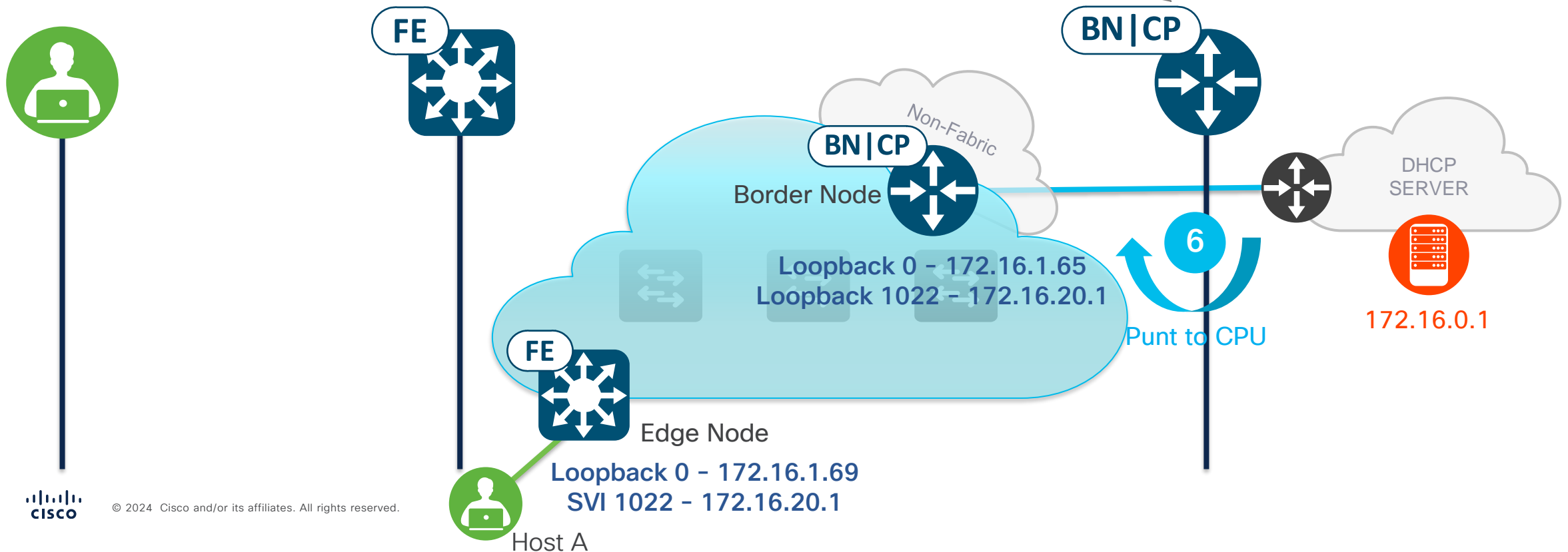


# DHCP process within SD-Access - Offer

Capture in CPU - Border Node

```
Border1_Oeiras#show monitor capture cap buffer display bootp
```

```
166 172.16.0.1 -> 172.16.20.1 DHCP 385 DHCP Offer - Original  
167 172.16.0.1 -> 172.16.20.1 DHCP 431 DHCP Offer - VXLAN encapsulated
```



# DHCP process within SD-Access - Offer

## Capture in CPU - Border Node

```
Border1_Oeiras#show monitor capture cap buffer display frame.number== 167
```

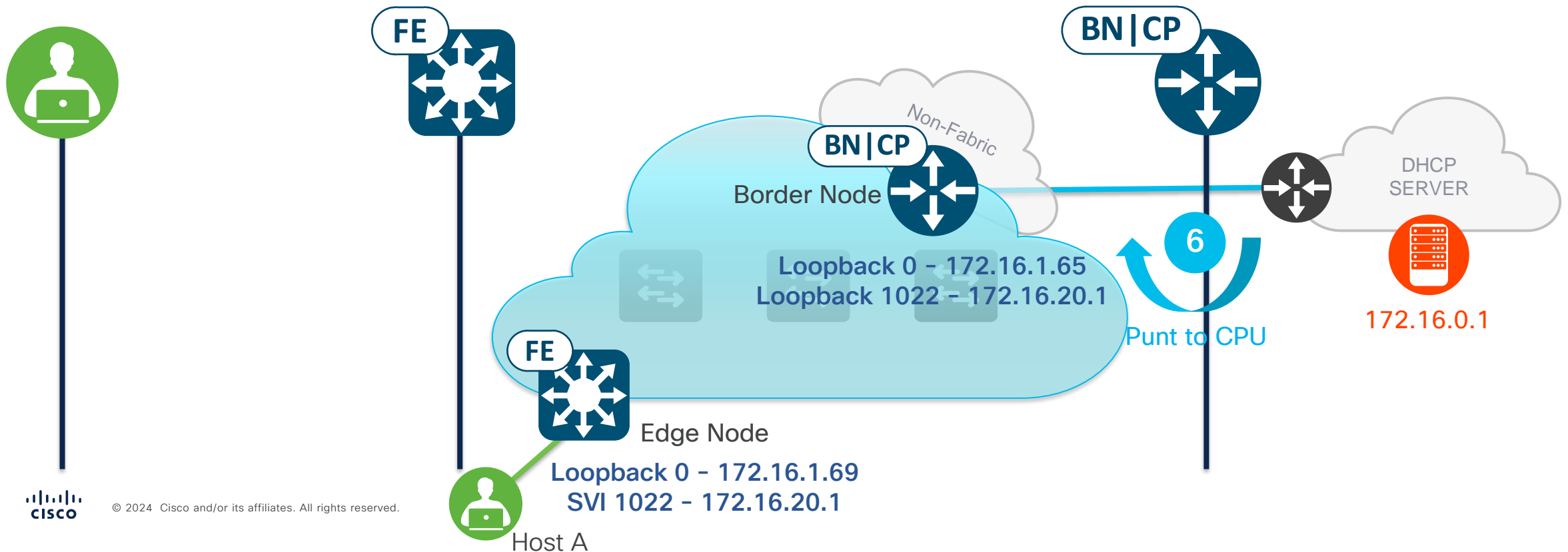
```
Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 172.16.1.65, Dst: 172.16.1.69
```

```
0100 .... = Version: 4
```

```
...
```

```
Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 172.16.0.1, Dst: 172.16.20.1
```

```
0100 .... = Version: 4
```



# DHCP process within SD-Access - Offer

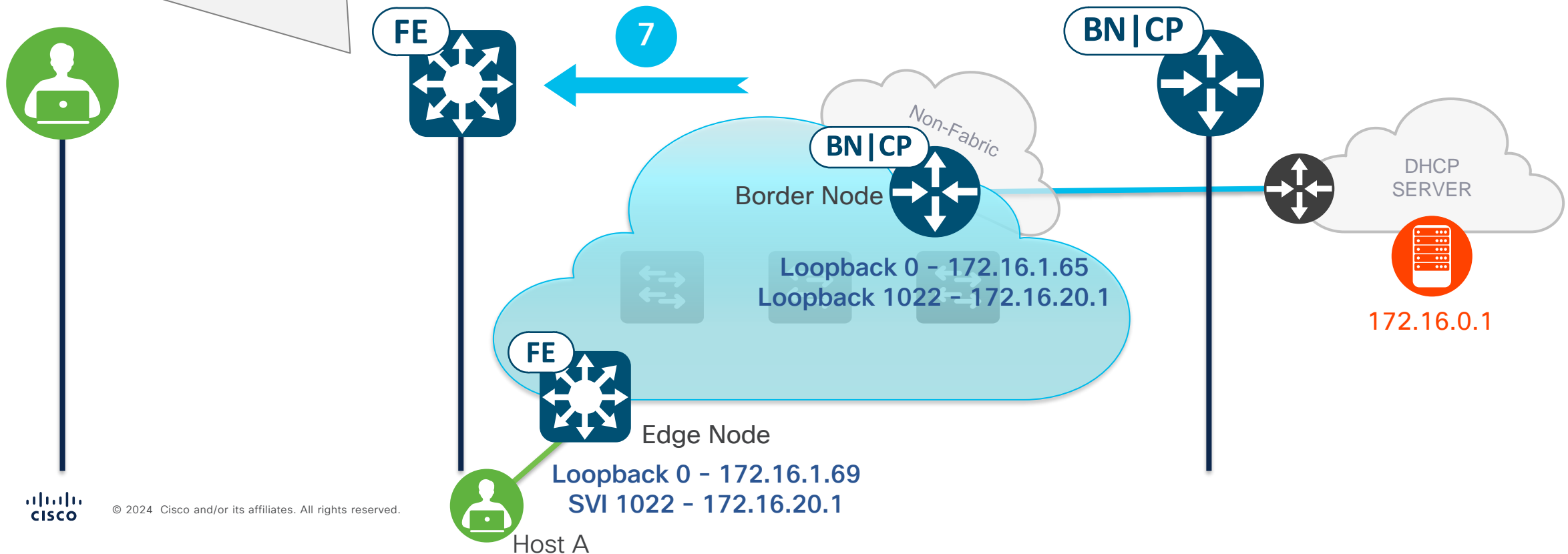
Offer Packet Encapsulated in VXLAN Delivered to Edge Node

VXLAN Header Removed

The Offer Packet Originally Destined for IP 172.16.20.1 is Processed in CPU

```
Edge1_Oeiras#sh mon cap cap buf dis bootp
```

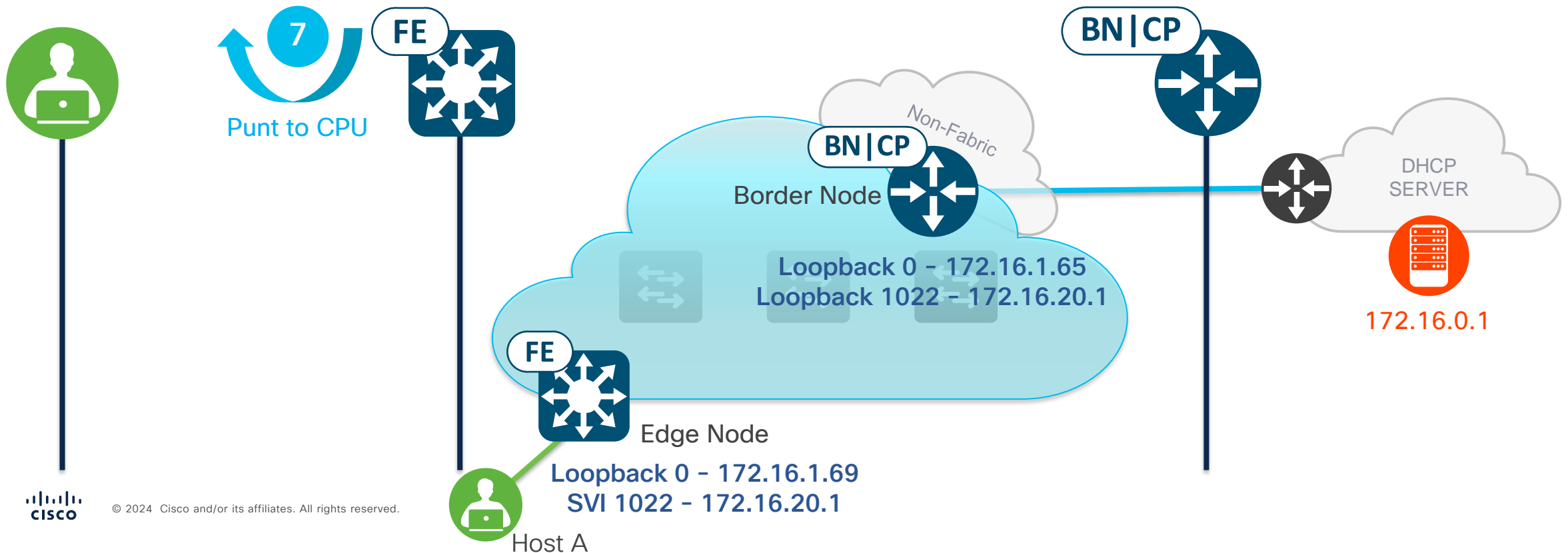
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280 172.16.0.1 -> 172.16.20.1 DHCP 381 DHCP Offer
```



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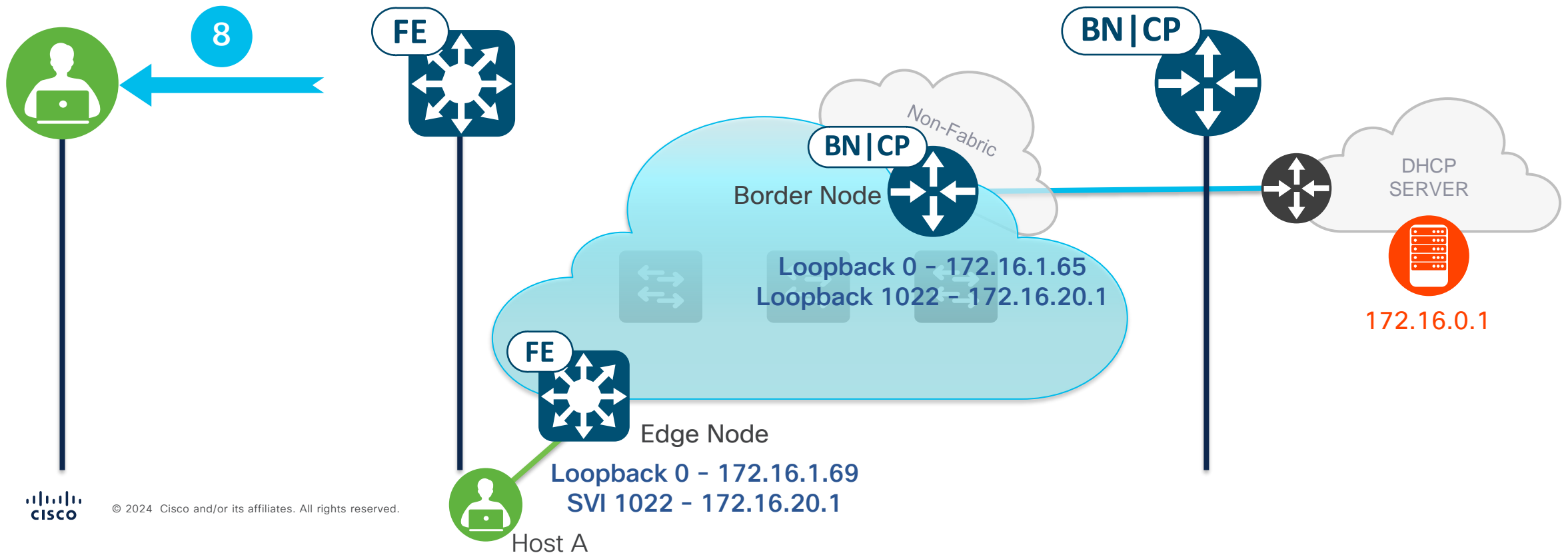
Option 82 is Evaluated and Delivered to the Client

```
: *Sep 3 08:15:08.935: DHCP_SNOOPING: process new DHCP packet, message type: DHCPOFFER, input interface: Vl1022, MAC da: ffff.ffff.ffff,  
MAC sa: 0000.0c9f.f257, IP da: 255.255.255.255, IP sa: 172.16.20.1, DHCP ciaddr: 0.0.0.0, DHCP yiaddr: 172.16.20.2, DHCP siaddr: 0.0.0.0,  
DHCP giaddr: 172.16.20.1, DHCP chaddr: aaaa.bbbb.2222, efp_id: 696189056, vlan_id: 1022, bootpflag:0x32768 (Broadcast)  
: *Sep 3 08:15:08.935: DHCP_SNOOPING: binary dump of option 82, length: 22 data:  
...  
: *Sep 3 08:15:08.935: DHCP_SNOOPING: opt82 data indicates local packet  
: *Sep 3 08:15:08.935: DHCP_SNOOPING: remove relay information option.  
: *Sep 3 08:15:08.948: DHCP_SNOOPING: direct forward dhcp reply to output port: TenGigabitEthernet1/0/3.
```



# DHCP process within SD-Access – Req / Ack

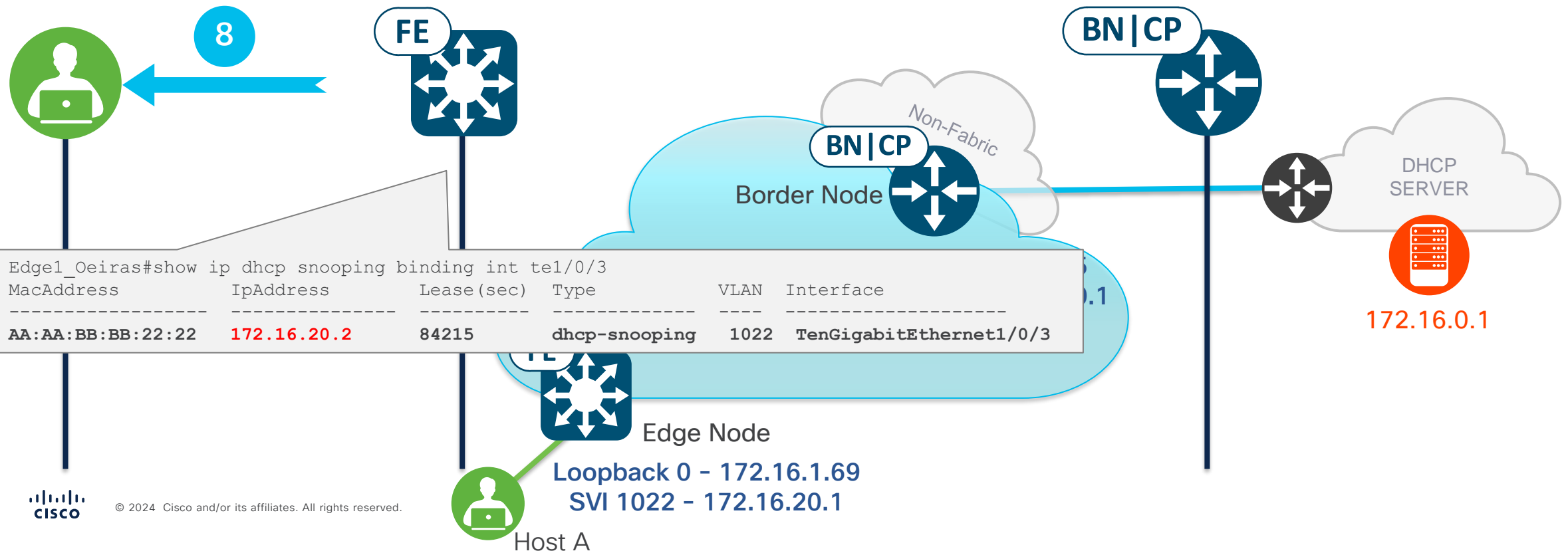
- The DHCP Request message follows exactly the same path and logic as the DHCP Discover message.
- The DHCP Acknowledge message follows exactly the same path and logic as the DHCP Offer message.
- After the DHCP Acknowledge message is processed by the Edge, the following entries are created:
  - > A DHCP Snooping binding entry is created on the Edge node
  - > A Device Tracking entry is created on the Edge node



# DHCP process within SD-Access – Req / Ack

```
Edge1_Oeiras#show device-tracking database interface te1/0/3
```

	Network Layer Address	Link Layer Address	Interface	vlan	prlvl	age	state	Time left
DH4	172.16.20.2	aaaa.bbbb.2222	Te1/0/3	1022	0024	99s	REACHABLE	150 s try 0(84098 s)







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Which IP is inserted in option 82 so that the Border identifies the Relay Agent?

Anycast Gateway

0%

Loopback 0

0%

L3 Interface

0%

VLAN 1

0%

# Troubleshooting common issues

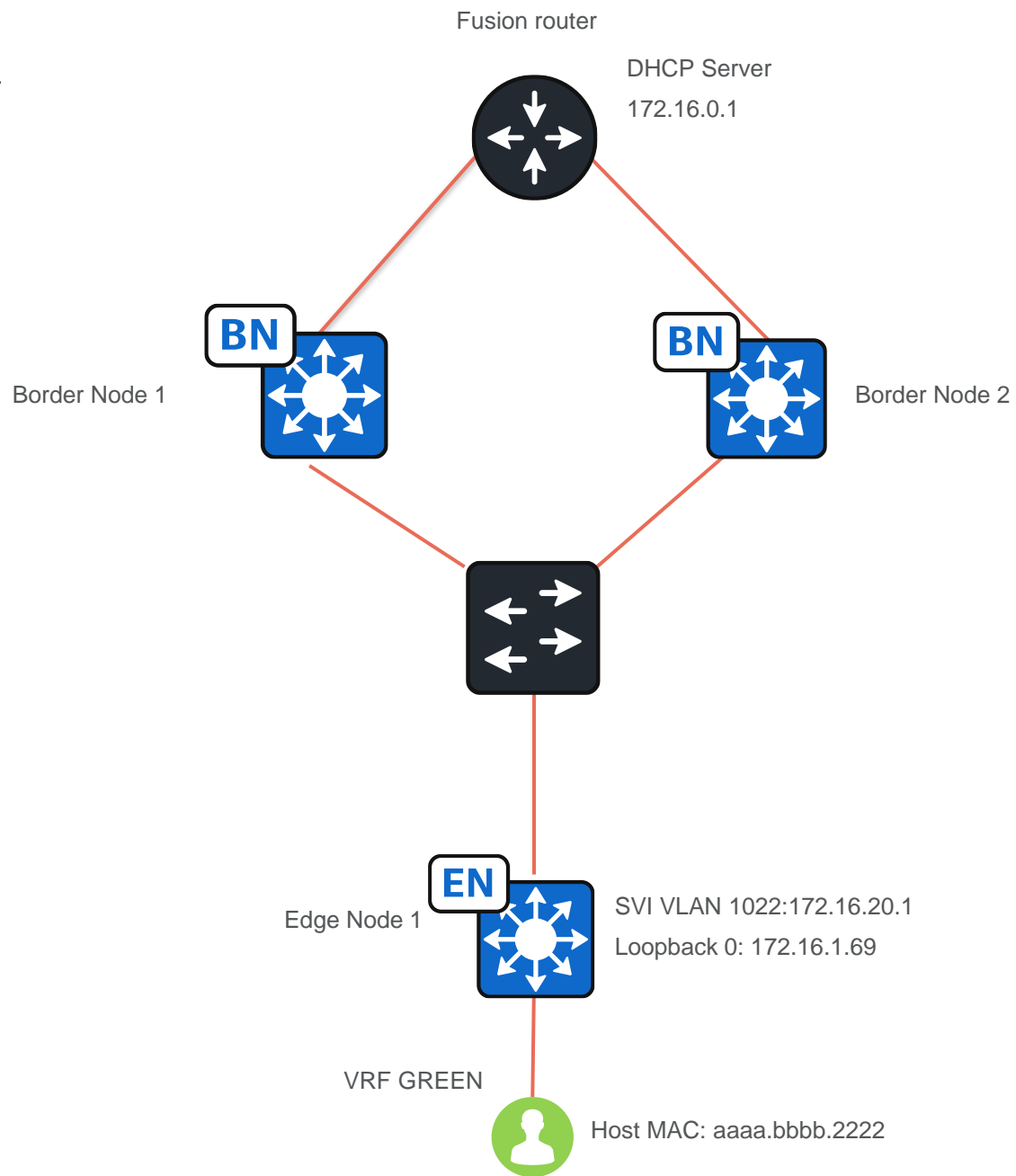
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# Troubleshooting common issues

This section will cover three of the most common DHCP-related issues encountered in TAC cases:

1. There is no return route in the Fusion device for the relay agent's subnet (SVI Anycast Gateway), and we don't see the Offer reaching the Border, let alone the edge node.
2. There is no route on the Border towards the DHCP server, so the Discover message will never be sent outside the Fabric.
3. DHCP snooping is disabled on the Edge node. Without DHCP snooping, we won't have Option 82, and the OFFER packet will never be forwarded from the server to the Edge node.

# Topology



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By capturing on the edge node in the control-plane, we can observe the complete DHCP process and isolate where the issue is occurring.

```
Edge1#monitor capture cap control-plane both match any buffer size 100 start
Edge1#show monitor capture cap buffer display-filter bootp

228  6.981436      0.0.0.0 -> 255.255.255.255 DHCP 356 DHCP Discover - Transaction ID 0x864
229  6.981739      0.0.0.0 -> 255.255.255.255 DHCP 378 DHCP Discover - Transaction ID 0x864
230  6.981971    172.16.20.1 -> 172.16.0.1   DHCP 428 DHCP Discover - Transaction ID 0x864
381  10.984117     0.0.0.0 -> 255.255.255.255 DHCP 356 DHCP Discover - Transaction ID 0x864
382  10.984463     0.0.0.0 -> 255.255.255.255 DHCP 378 DHCP Discover - Transaction ID 0x864
383  10.984699    172.16.20.1 -> 172.16.0.1   DHCP 428 DHCP Discover - Transaction ID 0x864
832  28.466272     0.0.0.0 -> 255.255.255.255 DHCP 356 DHCP Discover - Transaction ID 0x865
833  28.466679     0.0.0.0 -> 255.255.255.255 DHCP 378 DHCP Discover - Transaction ID 0x865
834  28.466981    172.16.20.1 -> 172.16.0.1   DHCP 428 DHCP Discover - Transaction ID 0x865
```

In this scenario, the DHCP Discover message is being captured at the edge node, but the expected DHCP Offer response is missing. This indicates that the issue likely lies somewhere in the network and we can focus our troubleshooting on identifying where the OFFER packet is being lost.

# Problem 1: No route in the Fusion

One way to review the history of DHCP packets that have been processed by DHCP snooping on the switch is by using the following command:

```
Edge1_Oeiras#show plataform dhcpsnooping client stats aaaa.bbbb.2222
```

```
...
Timestamp                Destination MAC  Destination Ip  VLAN  Message                Handler:Action
...
2024/09/02 20:27:27.531  FFFF.FFFF.FFFF  255.255.255.255  1022  DHCPDISCOVER(B)  PUNT:RECEIVED
2024/09/02 20:27:27.531  FFFF.FFFF.FFFF  255.255.255.255  1022  DHCPDISCOVER(B)  PUNT:TO_DHCPDN
2024/09/02 20:27:27.543  FFFF.FFFF.FFFF  255.255.255.255  1022  DHCPDISCOVER(B)  BRIDGE:RECEIVED
2024/09/02 20:27:27.543  FFFF.FFFF.FFFF  255.255.255.255  1022  DHCPDISCOVER(B)  BRIDGE:TO_DHCPD
2024/09/02 20:27:27.543  FFFF.FFFF.FFFF  255.255.255.255  1022  DHCPDISCOVER(B)  BRIDGE:TO_INJECT
2024/09/02 20:27:27.543  FFFF.FFFF.FFFF  255.255.255.255  1022  DHCPDISCOVER(B)  L2INJECT:TO_FWD
2024/09/02 20:27:27.544  0000.0000.0041  172.16.0.1      0      DHCPDISCOVER(B)  INJECT:RECEIVED
2024/09/02 20:27:27.544  0000.0000.0041  172.16.0.1      0      DHCPDISCOVER(B)  INJECT:TO_L2FWD
...
```

Use the show clock command to check the timestamp of the packets within the output.

# Problem 1: No route in the Fusion

Another way to check the DHCP process is by using debugs.

```
Edge1#debug ip dhcp snooping aaaa.bbbb.2222
```

```
000336: *Aug 30 18:33:54.940: DHCP_SNOOPING: process new DHCP packet, message type: DHCPDISCOVER,  
input interface: Te1/0/3, MAC da: ffff.ffff.ffff, MAC sa: aaaa.bbbb.2222, IP da: 255.255.255.255, IP  
sa: 0.0.0.0, DHCP ciaddr: 0.0.0.0, DHCP yiaddr: 0.0.0.0, DHCP siaddr: 0.0.0.0, DHCP giaddr: 0.0.0.0,  
DHCP chaddr: aaaa.bbbb.2222, efp_id: 696189056, vlan_id: 1022, bootpflag:0x32768 (Broadcast)  
000337: *Aug 30 18:33:54.940: DHCP_SNOOPING: add relay information option.  
...  
000339: *Aug 30 18:33:54.940: DHCPS BRIDGE PAK: vlan=1022 platform_flags=1  
000340: *Aug 30 18:33:54.940: DHCP_SNOOPING: bridge packet get invalid mat entry: FFFF.FFFF.FFFF,  
packet is flooded to ingress VLAN: (1022)  
000341: *Aug 30 18:33:54.940: DHCP_SNOOPING: bridge packet send packet to cpu port: Vlan1022
```

Just like in the capture on the control-plane, we only see the DISCOVER, but there's no sign of the OFFER. Other debugs that can provide more information about the DORA process are:

```
debug ip dhcp snooping events  
debug ip dhcp snooping packets
```



# Problem 1: No route in the Fusion

Where will the Edge node send the DISCOVER?

```
Edge1#show ip cef vrf GREEN 172.16.0.1
```

```
172.16.0.1/32
```

```
  nexthop 172.16.1.65 LISP0.4102
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```
Edge1#show lisp instance-id 4102 ipv4 map-cache 172.16.0.1
```

```
0.0.0.0/0, uptime: 12:19:19, expires: never, via static-send-map-request
```

```
Sources: static-send-map-request
```

```
State: send-map-request, last modified: 12:19:19, map-source: local
```

```
Exempt, Packets out: 267(80416 bytes), counters are not accurate (~ 00:01:43 ago)
```

```
Configured as EID address space
```

```
Encapsulating to proxy ETR
```

```
Edge1#show run | i petr
```

```
use-petr 172.16.1.65
```

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```

How to obtain the instance-id of a VRF? Use the show vrf command, and it will be listed in the interfaces column.

```
Edge1#show vrf
```

Name	Default RD	Protocols	Interfaces
GREEN	<not set>	ipv4	<b>LI0.4102</b> V11022

# Problem 1: No route in the Fusion

Capturing on the Border, on the link towards the Fusion, we can observe the DISCOVER leaving the fabric.

```
Border1#monitor capture cap int TwentyFiveGigE1/0/2 both match any buffer size 100 start

Border1#sh monitor capture cap buff display-filter "bootp and dhcp.hw.mac_addr==aaaa.bbbb.2222"

 112    9.256495  172.16.20.1 -> 172.16.0.1    DHCP 428 DHCP Discover - Transaction ID 0xe24
 620   12.722132  172.16.20.1 -> 172.16.0.1    DHCP 428 DHCP Discover - Transaction ID 0xe24
 932   16.726726  172.16.20.1 -> 172.16.0.1    DHCP 428 DHCP Discover - Transaction ID 0xe24
...
```

Where is the OFFER?

```
Border2#show monitor capture cap buffer display-filter "bootp and dhcp.hw.mac_addr==aaaa.bbbb.2222"
Starting the packet display ..... Press Ctrl + Shift + 6 to exit

...
```

Keep in mind that the DISCOVER packet may leave through one Border, and the OFFER may return through a different Border.

# Problem 1: No route in the Fusion

Capturing on the Fusion to confirm that the Border is sending us the DHCP Discover packet.

```
Fusion#monitor capture cap int Gig 1/0/4 both match any buff size 100 start

Fusion#sh monitor capture cap buff display-filter "bootp and dhcp.hw.mac_addr==aaaa.bbbb.2222"

112    9.256495    172.16.20.1 -> 172.16.0.1    DHCP 428 DHCP Discover - Transaction ID 0xe24
620   12.722132    172.16.20.1 -> 172.16.0.1    DHCP 428 DHCP Discover - Transaction ID 0xe24
932   16.726726    172.16.20.1 -> 172.16.0.1    DHCP 428 DHCP Discover - Transaction ID 0xe24
```

Checking the route on the Fusion:

```
Fusion#show ip cef vrf GREEN 172.16.20.0
0.0.0.0/0
no route ← No route available to reach the vlan 1022 subnet
```

Even in a scenario where we have a return route on the Fusion, is it the next hop we expect to see?

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The Border must have a route to the DHCP server. First, verify that the DISCOVER is reaching one of the Borders. Next, capture traffic on Border 1.

```
Border1#show run vrf GREEN | i  bgp|update
router bgp 65001
  neighbor 172.16.0.1 update-source Vlan82

Border1#monitor capture cap interface vlan 82 both match any buffer size 100 start
Border1#sh monitor capture cap buffer display-filter "bootp and dhcp.hw.mac_addr==aaaa.bbbb.2222"
Starting the packet display ..... Press Ctrl + Shift + 6 to exit

   3    2.148764  172.16.20.1 -> 172.16.0.1    DHCP 386 DHCP Discover - Transaction ID 0x262f
   6    5.577630  172.16.20.1 -> 172.16.0.1    DHCP 386 DHCP Discover - Transaction ID 0x262f
   9    9.578018  172.16.20.1 -> 172.16.0.1    DHCP 386 DHCP Discover - Transaction ID 0x262f
  18   27.319294  172.16.20.1 -> 172.16.0.1    DHCP 386 DHCP Discover - Transaction ID 0x2632
```

### Capture on Border 2

```
Border2#sh monitor capture cap buffer display-filter "bootp and dhcp.hw.mac_addr==aaaa.bbbb.2222"
Starting the packet display ..... Press Ctrl + Shift + 6 to exit
```

The SVI where the capture is performed is the one used for eBGP peering with the Fusion.

## Problem 2: There is no route on the Border to the DHCP server.

Reviewing the route on the Border:

```
Border1#show ip cef vrf GREEN 172.16.0.1
0.0.0.0/0
  no route ← No route available to reach the dhcp server
```

Example of an overlapping between the DHCP server subnet and an IP pool subnet within the Fabric in VRF GREEN:

```
Border1#show ip cef vrf GREEN 172.16.0.1
172.16.0.0/24
  attached to LISP0.4102
```

**CEF should not use LISP to resolve the DHCP server's prefix in the Borders!**

At this point, we need to find a way for the Border to have an outbound route to the DHCP server, either statically or via BGP.

Problem 3: DHCP snooping is disabled on the Edge node.

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DHCP snooping must be enabled globally and on the client VLAN.

```
Edge1#show ip dhcp snooping
Switch DHCP snooping is enabled
Switch DHCP gleaning is disabled
DHCP snooping is configured on following VLANs:
11,101,1021-1022,1025-1026
DHCP snooping is operational on following VLANs:
11,101,1021-1022,1025-1026
...
```

If DHCP snooping is disabled, the DHCP snooping debugs will not show anything!

```
Edge1#monitor capture cap control-plane both match any buffer size 100 start
Edge1#show monitor capture cap buffer display-filter bootp
Starting the packet display ..... Press Ctrl + Shift + 6 to exit

 52  2.701410      0.0.0.0 -> 255.255.255.255 DHCP 356 DHCP Discover - Transaction ID 0x11ab
 53  2.703662 172.16.20.1 -> 172.16.0.1   DHCP 416 DHCP Discover - Transaction ID 0x11ab
533  6.688936      0.0.0.0 -> 255.255.255.255 DHCP 356 DHCP Discover - Transaction ID 0x11ab
534  6.689350 172.16.20.1 -> 172.16.0.1   DHCP 416 DHCP Discover - Transaction ID 0x11ab
605 10.690613      0.0.0.0 -> 255.255.255.255 DHCP 356 DHCP Discover - Transaction ID 0x11ab
606 10.691020 172.16.20.1 -> 172.16.0.1   DHCP 416 DHCP Discover - Transaction ID 0x11ab
```

An indicator that snooping is disabled is that we see the packets in the control-plane capture, but not in the DHCP snooping debug.





# Problem 3: DHCP snooping is disabled on the Edge node.

Viewing the OFFER packet on the Border, the Agent Remote ID sub-option is also not present. Which Border will the Fusion send the OFFER to?

```
Fusion#show ip cef 172.16.20.1
172.16.20.0/24
  nexthop 172.16.254.9 Vlan82
```

The OFFER will be sent to the next hop 172.16.254.9; this is the SVI used for eBGP on Border1.

```
Border1#monitor capture cap control-plane both match any buffer size 100 start
Border1#sh monitor capture cap buffer display-filter "bootp and ip.addr==172.16.20.1"
Starting the packet display ..... Press Ctrl + Shift + 6 to exit

 395    7.577153 172.16.0.1 -> 172.16.20.1  DHCP 373 DHCP Offer    - Transaction ID 0x26dc
 480   10.881252 172.16.0.1 -> 172.16.20.1  DHCP 373 DHCP Offer    - Transaction ID 0x26dc
```

The Agent Remote ID sub-option is missing.

```
Border1#show monitor capture cap buffer display-filter frame.number==480 detail
...
Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (Offer)
  Message type: Boot Reply (2)
...
Option: (82) Agent Information Option
  Length: 8
  Option 82 Suboption: (1) Agent Circuit ID
    Length: 6
    Agent Circuit ID: 000403fe0103
```

# Problem 3: DHCP snooping is disabled on the Edge node.

How should Option 82 look in an SDA environment?

```
Edge1#show monitor capture cap buffer display-filter frame.number==33 detail
...
Option: (82) Agent Information Option
  Length: 20
  Option 82 Suboption: (1) Agent Circuit ID
    Length: 6
    Agent Circuit ID: 000403fe0103
  Option 82 Suboption: (2) Agent Remote ID
    Length: 10
    Agent Remote ID: 030800100601ac100145 <<<<< RLOC is the last 8 hexadecimal values
```

Loopback0 on Edge1

```
Edge1#show run int loopback 0
interface Loopback0
  description Fabric Node Router ID
  ip address 172.16.1.69 255.255.255.255
```

If we convert the hexadecimal value 01ac100145 to an IP address, we get the RLOC IP of the Edge, which is 172.16.1.69.

# Q&A





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