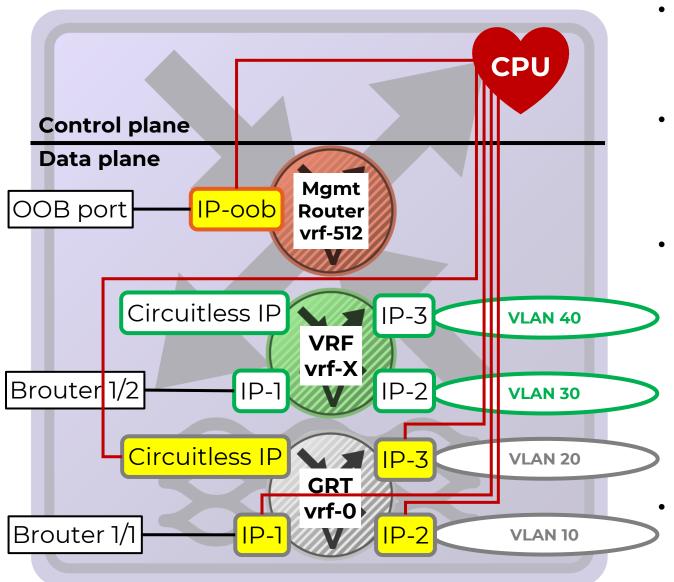
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VOSS 8.2 Segmented Mgmt Stack explained

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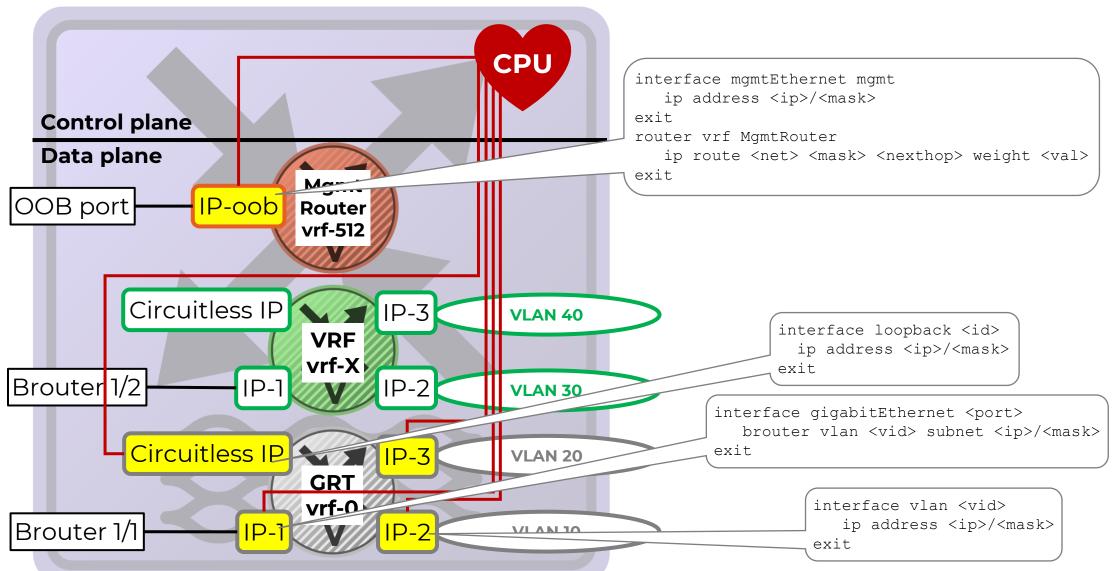




- Switch mgmt via
 - Out-of-band: OOB Ethernet port
 - Inband: Any IP address configured on default GRT (vrf-0)
- CPU selects OOB vs. Inband exclusively based on MgmtRouter and GRT routes
 - If OOB and GRT are IP routed together, can result in nonfunctional asymmetric routing
- Mgmt traffic initiated by switch over inband, selection of source IP ambiguous:
 - GRT IP interface corresponding to next-hop IP for destination non-ISIS route
 - GRT ISIS Source IP for ISIS route
 - Need to configure fixed source IP to use/advertise for some protocols: RADIUS, SNMP, Syslog, LLDP, SONMP, etc..
 - NOTE: No OOB port on XA1400, VSP4850, VSP4450
 - VSP4850 support up to VOSS7.1.x only
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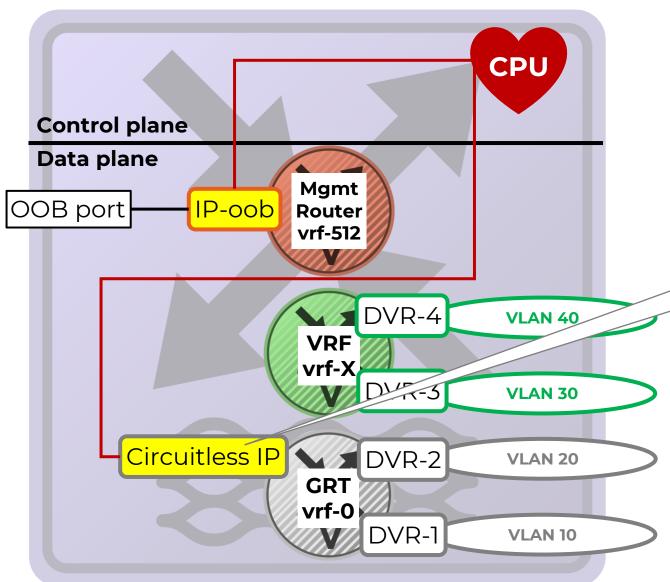
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VOSS IP mgmt prior to 8.2 – DVR Leaf





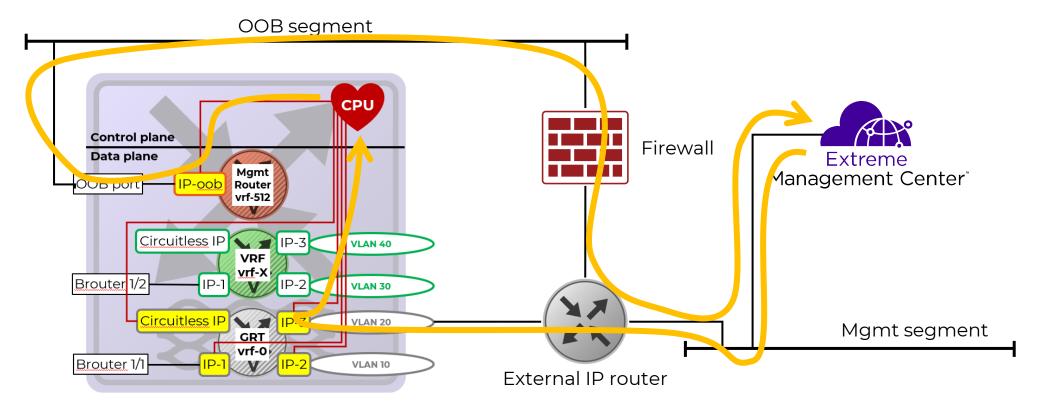
- A DVR Leaf does not actually have a full IP stack for the DVR interfaces
 - The GRT DVR interfaces cannot be used for mgmt

DVR Leaf only router isis inband-mgmt-ip <ip>exit

 Instead, a Circuitless IP was created in GRT, but using a new command as the traditional "interface loopback <n>" config context is not available on a DVR Leaf node

Pre-8.2 mgmt asymmetrical routing problems



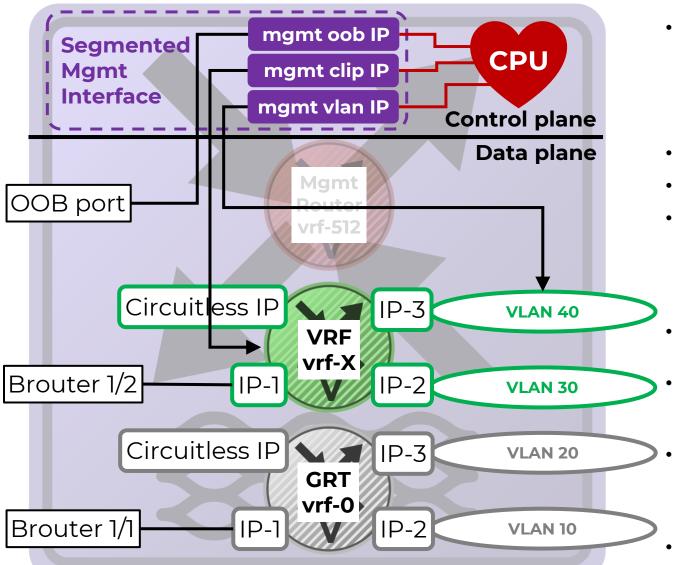


- A mgmt initiated packet (e.g. SNMP Request, or SSH TCP Syn) destined for a VSP inband GRT IP address
- VSP sends response (SNMP Response, or SSH TCP SynAck) via OOB port, if the OOB has a valid IP route
- Communication will fail, for SNMP, SSH, Telnet; but ICMP ping works, so very confusing!
- Recommendation pre-8.2: keep OOB network separate; do not configure a default route in MgmtRouter VRF
- VOSS 8.2 however only solves this problem for TCP based protocols (i.e. not for SNMP, RADIUS, Syslog, etc..)

VOSS Management from 8.2 onwards

VOSS IP mgmt 8.2 with Segmented Mgmt Interface

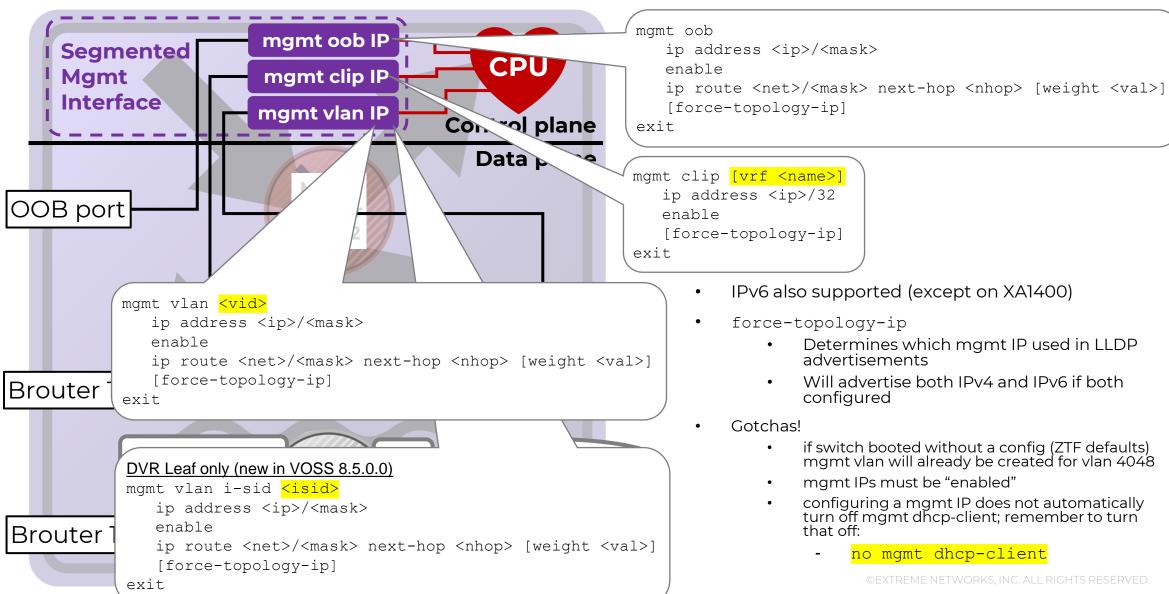




- Switch mgmt via 3 unambiguous IP interfaces:
 - mgmt oob
 - mgmt clip
 - mgmt vlan
- mgmt clip can be assigned to any VRF/GRT
- mgmt vlan can be assigned to any VLAN
- When switch responds to mgmt request, response will now always use same mgmt interface request arrived on
 - No more problems with asymmetrical mgmt routing
- No need to configure source IP for mgmt protocols
- For which mgmt IP LLDP and SONMP should advertise, any of the 3 mgmt interfaces can be selected
- MgmtRouter vrf-512 becomes obsolete
 - CLI show commands & SNMP MIB are maintained and will now show Segmented Mgmt IPs for it
- NOTE: No OOB port on XA1400, VSP4450

VOSS IP mgmt 8.2 with Segmented Mgmt Interface

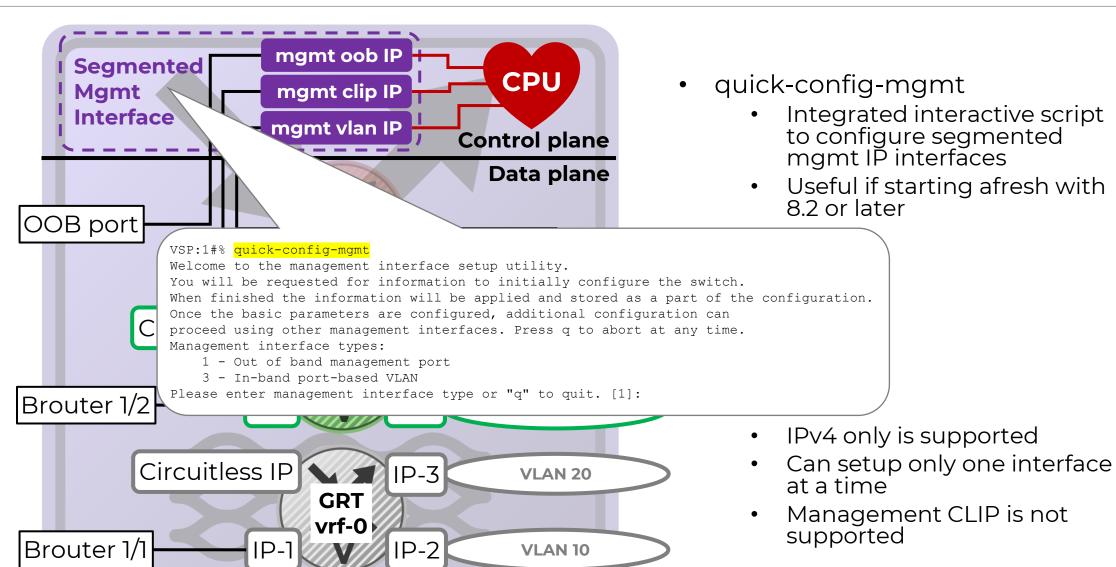




- IPv6 also supported (except on XA1400)
- force-topology-ip
 - Determines which mgmt IP used in LLDP advertisements
 - Will advertise both IPv4 and IPv6 if both configured
- Gotchas!
 - if switch booted without a config (ZTF defaults) mgmt vlan will already be created for vlan 4048
 - mgmt IPs must be "enabled"
 - configuring a mgmt IP does not automatically turn off mgmt dhcp-client; remember to turn that off:
 - no mgmt dhcp-client

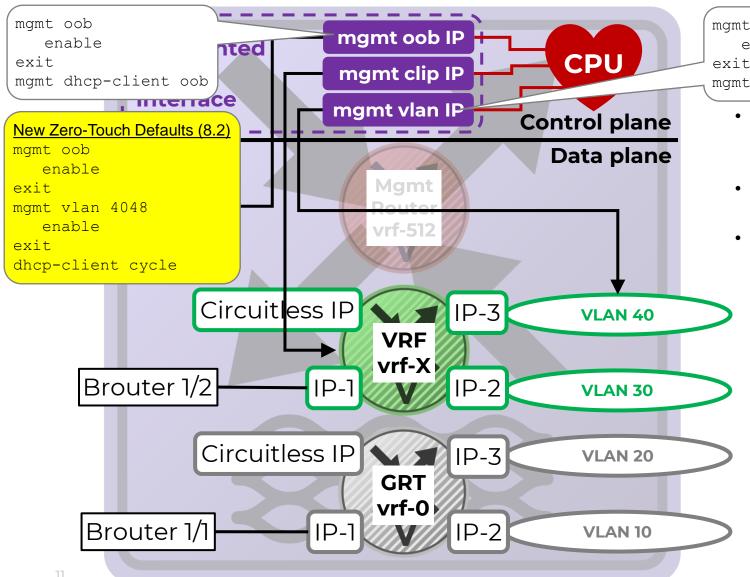
Segmented Mgmt Interface - quick-config-mgmt





Segmented Mgmt Interface – DHCP Client

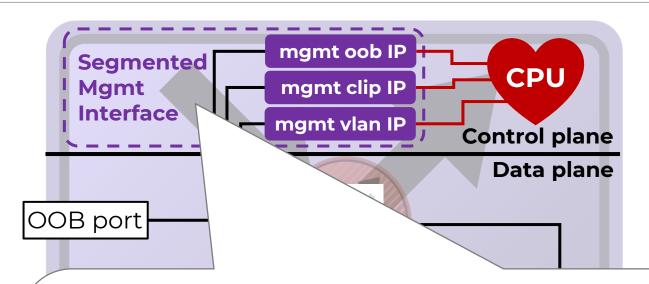




- mgmt vlan <vid> enable exit mgmt dhcp-client vlan
 - New segmented mgmt interface comes with new DHCP Client
 - Only for mgmt vlan and mgmt oob
 - Create and enable the mgmt interface type then enable dhcp-client on it
 - In practice this will only be used when the VSP boots up in the new 8.2 and 8.3 zerotouch factory defaults, which introduce the concepts of the onboarding Private-VLAN (4048) and ETREE I-SID (15999999) and where all VSP ports are enabled and members of PVLAN 4048
 - This new zero-touch "default" mode applies when the VSP is booted without any config file
 - NOTE: this does not apply to the old "boot config flag factorydefaults" which produces the original default config where all ports are disabled and members of VLAN 1
 - dhcp-client cycle mode will alternatively try and obtain a DHCP IP on either the oob or vlan interfaces

Segmented Mgmt Interface – convert command





- Introduced in VOSS 8.5.0.0
- Allows an existing mgmt IP to be switched to a different IP and/or on a different VLAN-id, I-SID or VRF
- Automatic rollback if user is not able to connect to new IP within configurable rollback time

```
VSP:1(config)#% mgmt vlan
VSP:1(config:vlan)#% convert [vlan <vid>] [ports-tagged <ports>] [ports-untagged <ports>] [i-sid <i-sid>] [ip <addr/mask>] [gateway <ip>] [rollback <secs>]

VSP:1(config)#% mgmt clip
VSP:1(config:clip)#% convert [vrf <name>] [ip <addr/mask>] [gateway <ip>] [rollback <secs>]

VSP:1(config:clip)#% mgmt cob
VSP:1(config:cob)#% convert [ip <addr/mask>] [gateway <ip>] [rollback <secs>]

WARNING: The existing mgmt interface will be deleted and re-created with the given parameters, please reconnect to the switch and issue 'mgmt convert-commit' command before the 120 second rollback timer expires.

Continue with this operation (y/n) ?

<SSH/Telnet connection is lost>

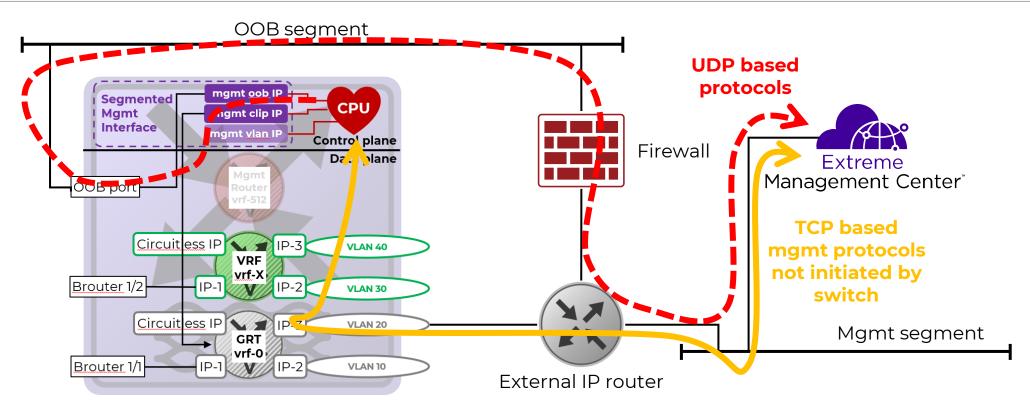
<Re-connect to newly configured IP (including new VLAN/I-SID/VRF if one was set/changed)>

Mgmt convert: Please issue 'mgmt convert-commit' in the remaining XX seconds before rollback timer expires otherwise mgmt XXXX config change will be reverted

VSP8000-1:1(config)#% mgmt convert-commit
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VOSS IP mgmt 8.2 – reduced asymmetrical routing (TCP only)

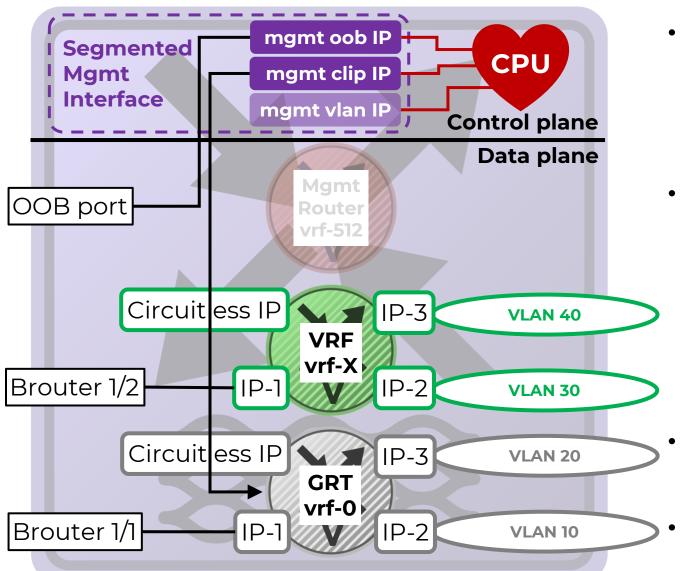




- Segmented mgmt interfaces use Linux VR contexts
 - If a mgmt request is received on mgmt clip, the switch response will always use the same mgmt interface
 - However, this only works for TCP based protocols, not initiated by the switch, like SSH, Telnet, HTTP, HTTPS, etc..
- For switch-initiated messages (TCP or UDP) and all UDP based protocols (SNMP, Syslog, RADIUS, etc..), the same issues of asymmetrical routing persists and per mgmt interface routes are inspected and the best route with the lowest metric will determine the outgoing segmented mgmt interface
 - Default metric weights: clip = 100, vlan = 200, oob = 300
 - Static routes can only be configured for mgmt vlan & mgmt oob (and different weight can be configured)
 - For mgmt clip, the IP routes of the associated VRF/GRT apply (always with weighting 100)

Segmented Mgmt Interface: L3 BEB / L3 Router

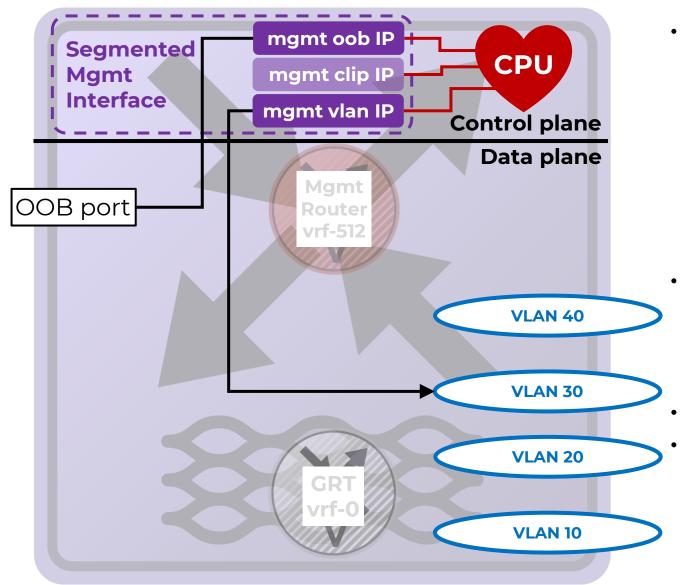




- If the VSP is a L3 BEB (or a non-Fabric IP router), inband management should use mgmt clip
 - The mgmt vlan interface "should" not be used
- The mgmt clip interface can be associated with the GRT (as before) but can now also be easily associated with any VRF
 - If IP Shortcuts or L3VSN is enabled on the GRT/VRF, the mgmt clip will automatically be redistributed even if redistribution of directs is not enabled
- Note that management via a GRT Circuitless IP was already best practice pre-8.2 for L3 BEBs
- The mgmt oob interface can also be used

Segmented Mgmt Interface: L2 BEB / L2 Switch

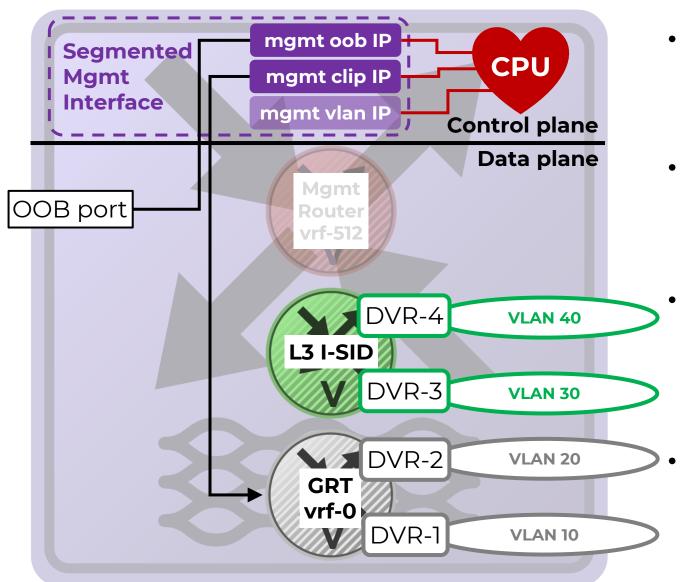




- If the VSP is a L2 BEB (or non-Fabric L2 switch), inband management should use mgmt vlan
 - The mgmt clip can however still be used on a L2BEB, on the GRT, but it will require IP enabling SPBM
 - On a non-Fabric L2 switch, the mgmt clip cannot really be used as there are no IP interfaces to route to/from that clip
 - It would require turning the VSP switch into a L3 switch
- The mgmt vlan interface can be associated with any platform VLAN already created on the switch
 - The VLAN can of course be made into a fabric wide L2VSN by assigning an I-SID to it
- The mgmt oob interface can also be used
- Application Telemetry / sFlow does not currently work with mgmt vlan. For this a mgmt clip must be used

Segmented Mgmt Interface: DVR Leaf, GRT mgmt

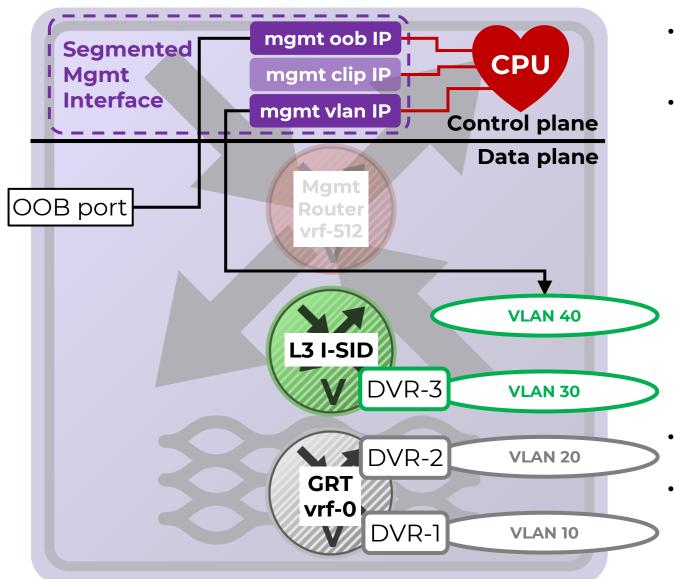




- A DVR Leaf is a special case as it is a L3 BEB in the data plane but a L2 BEB from a configuration management perspective
- If mgmt will be done over the GRT then mgmt clip can be used
 - This will be equivalent to the pre-8.2 inband-mgmt-ip
- However, on a DVR Leaf, the mgmt clip can only be associated with GRT
 - As a DVR Leaf does not have any locally configured VRFs
- The mgmt oob interface can also be used

Segmented Mgmt Interface: DVR Leaf, VRF mgmt

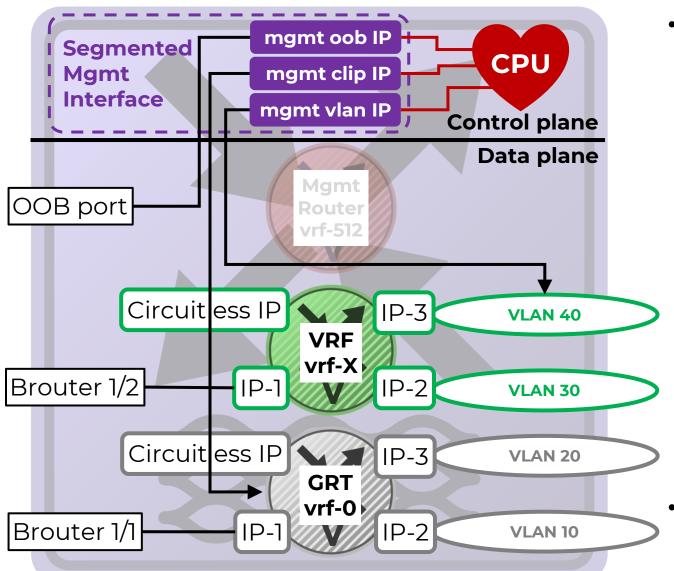




- A DVR Leaf is a special case as it is a L3 BEB in the data plane but a L2 BEB from a configuration management perspective
- If mgmt will be done over a VRF then mgmt vlan should be used
 - Once mgmt vlan created, creation of a platform VLAN using the same vid will be allowed
 - An I-SID will need to be configured on the platform VLAN
 - The DVR Controllers should have an IP VRRP interface for this same I-SID associated with the VRF used for management
 - Do not configure DVR on this VLAN!
 - Local DVR interfaces on the same mgmt VRF will not be IP routed directly to the mgmt vlan but will be able to reach it via the DVR Controller
- The same approach using mgmt vlan could also be used for GRT management
- The mgmt oob interface can also be used

Segmented Mgmt Interface: L3 BEB special cases

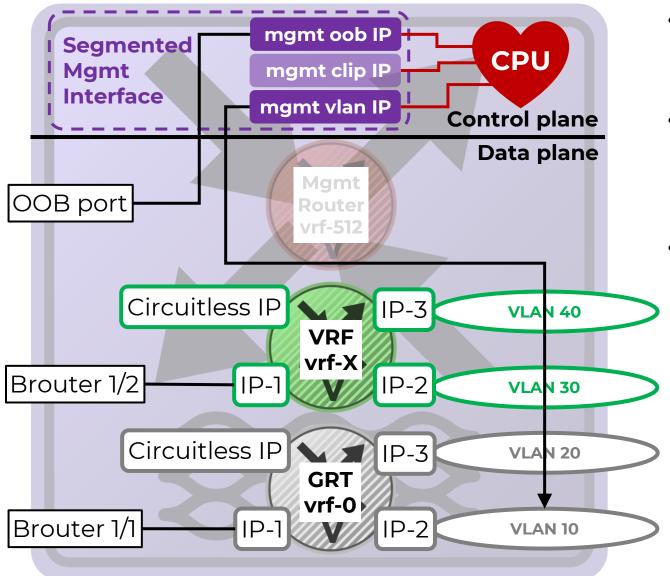




- In some cases, it might be necessary to configure mgmt vlan even on a L3 BEB:
 - XA1400 or VSP running Fabric Extend over a dedicated VRF and it is desired to reach the switch on that VRF from the Internet (e.g., Cloud-IQ) or from WAN underlay
 - VSP7400 or VSP4900 with FIGW VM and it is desired to SSH/FTP the VM from the VSP host switch
 - In both the above cases a mgmt clip also exists for normal inband mgmt
 - If a mgmt vlan is created on a VLAN which already has an IP address in the GRT/VRF, then the mgmt vlan IP must be made the same as that IP address
- All three mgmt interfaces can be used in this example

Segmented Mgmt Interface: L3 BEB mistake to avoid!

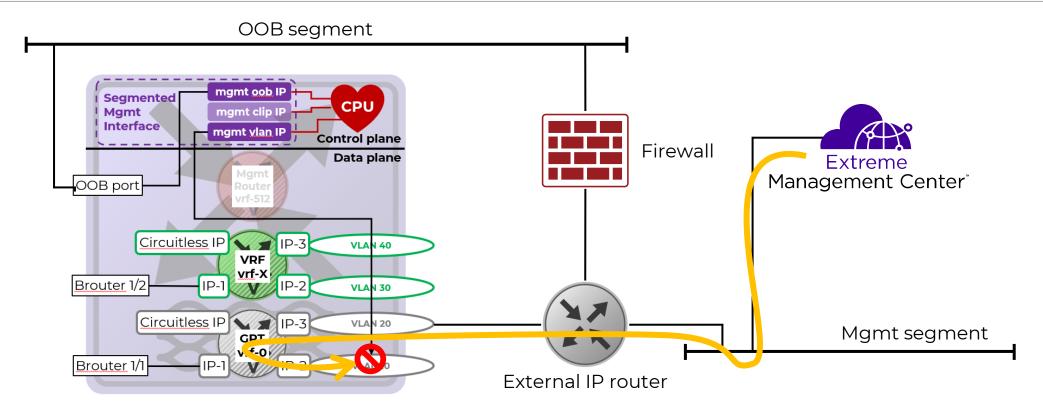




- For a L3 VSP (BEB or non-Fabric), management via a GRT Circuitless IP was already best practice pre-8.2 for L3 BEBs
- However, some customers may not have followed that best practice, and used a GRT VLAN IP for managing all of their L3 BEBs and L2 BEBs alike
 - This did work pre-8.2
- However, this may NOT work properly on a L3 BEB with the new Segmented Mgmt interface
 - The mgmt vlan IP can only be reached if traffic destined to it enters the VSP switch on the same VLAN
 - If the traffic destined to it enters the switch on a different IP interface of the same GRT/VRF, then it will not get IP routed to the mgmt vlan IP destination
 - Of course, if an external Firewall IP routes onto the mgmt vlan segment then it will work fine

Segmented Mgmt Interface: L3 BEB mistake to avoid!



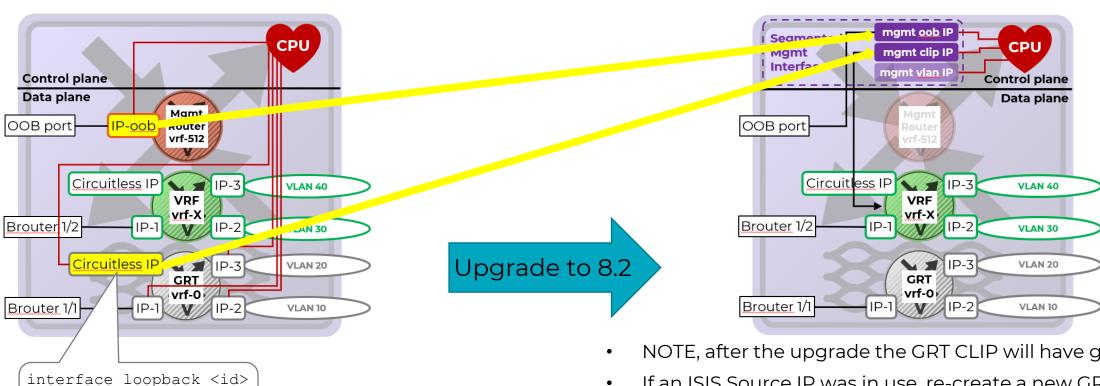


- In this example, the VSP mgmt vlan IP cannot be reached because the mgmt packet entered the switch on a different IP interface
 - This is true even if a routing VLAN IP is already also configured on the underlying platform VLAN and IP routing is possible between both IP interfaces
- This is a mistake. As the VSP is clearly a L3 router and would have to route traffic to the mgmt vlan subnet, mgmt clip must be used

Migration to 8.2

Migration of L3 BEB / L3 Router





- "migrate-to-mgmt" command is available since VOSS 7.1.3, 8.0.1 and 8.1.0
- save config and upgrade

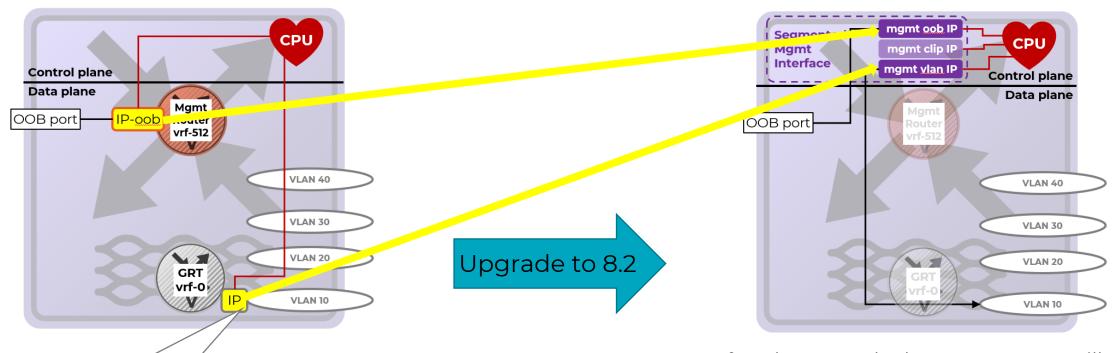
migrate-to-mgmt

- NOTE, after the upgrade the GRT CLIP will have gone
- If an ISIS Source IP was in use, re-create a new GRT CLIP (using a different IP address) and assign that as the new ISIS Source IP
 - This operation can also be done before the upgrade by creating a second CLIP on GRT and moving the ISIS Source IP to that second CLIP, while the first CLIP is set to migrate-to-mgmt and will disappear after the upgrade
- As of 8.2 an ISIS Source IP is not mandatory but is still recommended if using IP Shortcuts and will be required again by DVR-One-IP

exit

Migration of L2 BEB / L2 Switch





- "migrate-to-mgmt" command is available since VOSS 7.1.3, 8.0.1 and 8.1.0
- save config and upgrade

interface vlan <vid>

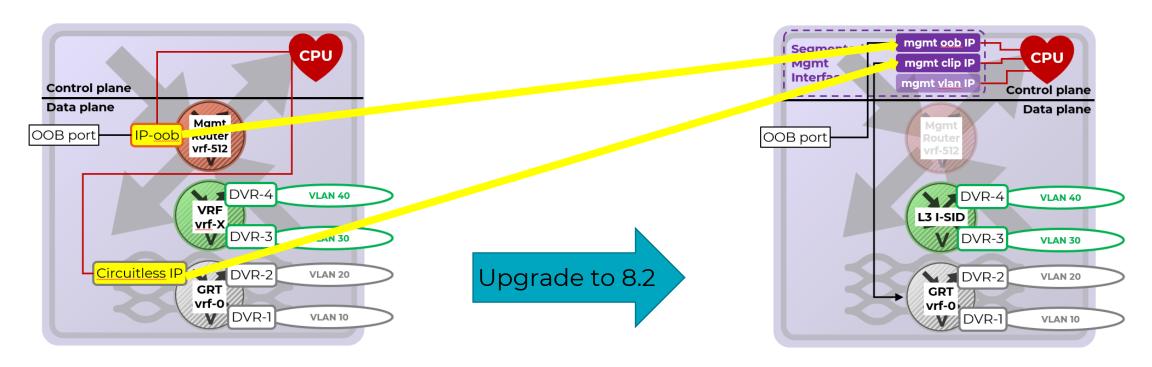
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- NOTE, after the upgrade the GRT VLAN IP will have gone
- If the VSP has more than 1 IP address on more than 1 VLAN before the upgrade, then think twice; the VSP is probably a L3 BEB and should be manged via a CLIP instead!
- If Application Telemetry / sFlow is in use, this will not work with mgmt vlan; in this case consider using mgmt clip or mgmt oob

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Migration of DVR Leaf



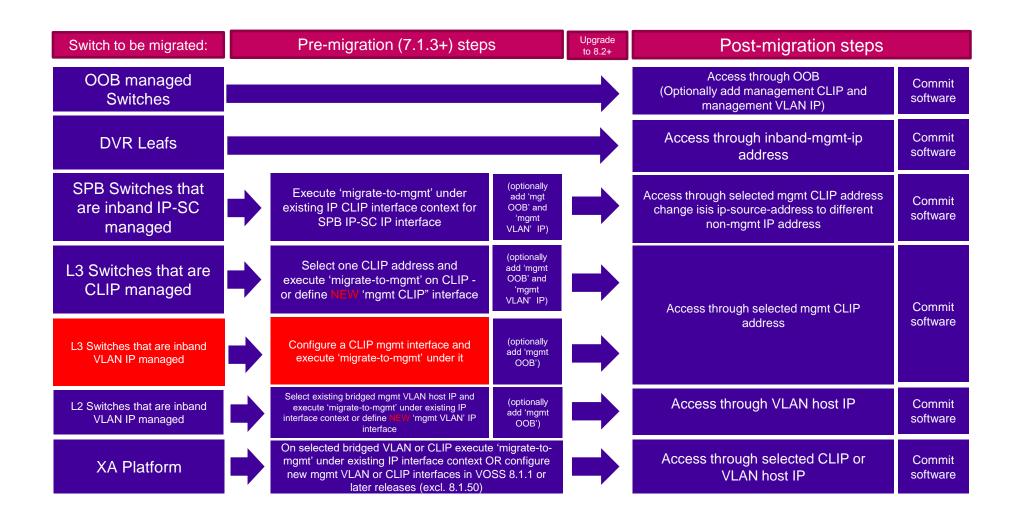


simply upgrade

- The DVR inband-mgmt-ip CLIP automatically becomes the new segmented mgmt clip
- The ISIS inband-mgmt-ip command becomes obsolete in 8.2

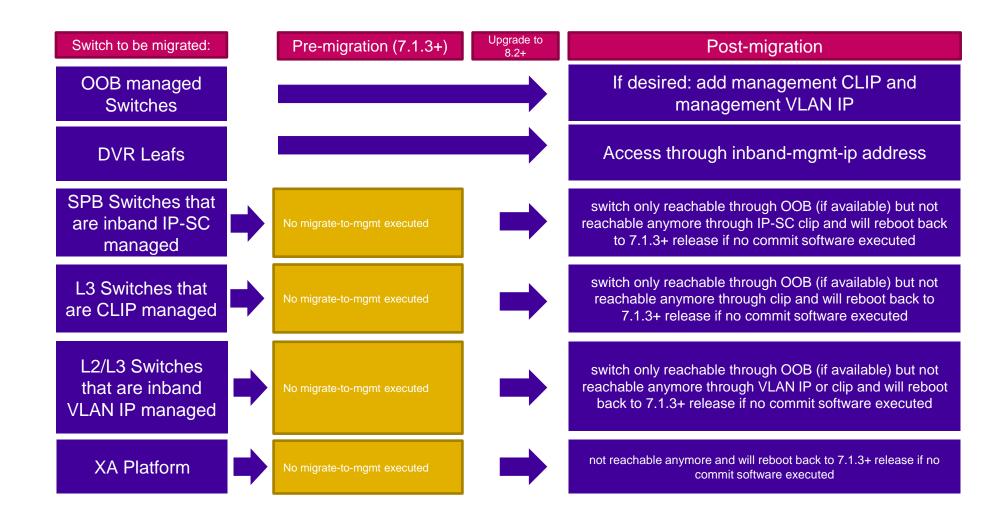
Upgrade paths to VOSS 8.2+





VOSS 8.2+ upgrade – what if?





Ping/Traceroute changes with 8.2

VOSS IP mgmt 8.2 with Segmented Mgmt Interface



