SOFTWARE LOAD BALANCING FOR
AZURE VMWARE SOLUTION

KEY BENEFITS

Quick Provisioning
Accelerated application provisioning with zero-touch L4-L7 service lifecycle management.

Full-Featured Load Balancing
Enterprise-grade software load balancer combining the capabilities of a traditional load balancer appliance with the elasticity and automation.

Self-Service
100% REST APIs enable policy-driven self-service for app developers and automation for IT administrators.

Application Analytics
Real-time insights into application performance, security, and end user interactions.

Distributed Architecture
Central control and policy management for distributed pool of load balancing resources.

Hybrid-Cloud Load Balancing
Consistent features across on-prem and AVS. GSLB across application deployed on-prem and AVS.

Multiple Application Environments Increase Complexity
Workloads now span on-premises and cloud environments, which significantly increase complexity for IT teams. For example, application networking functions that are effective in the data center don't work in the cloud, and cloud provider solutions don't work in the data center. Enterprises need to seamlessly integrate infrastructure environments to enable better workload portability and create consistent delivery of application and networking services across on-premises data centers and the cloud.

NSX Advanced Load Balancer (Avi) + AVS = Speed and Simplicity
Avi Networks, now part of VMware provides a next-generation application delivery fabric - VMware NSX® Advanced Load Balancer™ that spans on-premises and cloud environments. The centrally managed solution consists of a Software Load Balancer and Intelligent Web Application Firewall (iWAF) that provides automation, analytics, and security for all applications across hybrid environments.

AVS enables customers to run, manage and secure applications in a production-ready, simple and consistent hybrid IT environment. The service enables organizations to continue using existing VMware tools to manage AVS environments without having to purchase custom hardware, rewrite applications, or modify their operating model. With access to the broad range of Azure services, and the functionality, elasticity, and security customers have come to expect from the Azure Cloud, the service lays the foundation to run, manage and secure production applications across vSphere®-based private, public and hybrid cloud environments with access to innovative Azure services.

Azure VMware Solution Key Benefits
Unified and operationally consistent hybrid cloud experience across vSphere-based private clouds and AVS

• Workload portability and flexible consumption options with single support owner and attractive TCO
• Familiar management tools eliminate the need to retrain staff (VMware vCenter®, VMware vSphere® API, PowerCLI and modern HTML5-based vSphere Client)
• VMware-delivered service creates zero lifecycle management while enabling customers to retain control of application management and operation
• Lays the foundation for integration of third-party tools from leading ecosystem partners
Elastic, Automated, and Analytics-Driven Application Delivery Across VMware Cloud and AVS

Avi Networks is a 100% software application delivery solution that runs across containers, virtual machines, and bare metal—on-premises and in the cloud. The platform provides elastic L4-L7 load balancing as well as detailed analytics for the application, infrastructure, and end-users. By separating the data and control plane, Avi Networks can provide centralized management and consistent operations across hybrid cloud environments and is ideal for enterprises with cloud migration and hybrid cloud initiatives.

The Avi - AVS solution addresses two use cases:

**App Migration - Enterprise-Class Elastic Load Balancing for AVS**
Enterprise-class Elastic L4-L7 Load Balancing for workloads in AVS providing a cloud-native experience but with a powerful enterprise-class app delivery feature set across availability, security, and real-time application performance monitoring.

**Hybrid-Cloud Load Balancing for Data Center Extension**
Consistent operations across on-prem VMware based workloads and AVS, with ability to scale workloads in either environment using Avi’s GSLB and Elastic LB capabilities.

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Enhanced Security with Intelligent Web Application Firewall
Avi iWAF can help enhance application security further, so that the rules can be managed and monitored from a central location. With iWAF Avi provides simple way to enable web application firewall with pre-canned OWASP ruleset, that can be customized further to suit application needs.