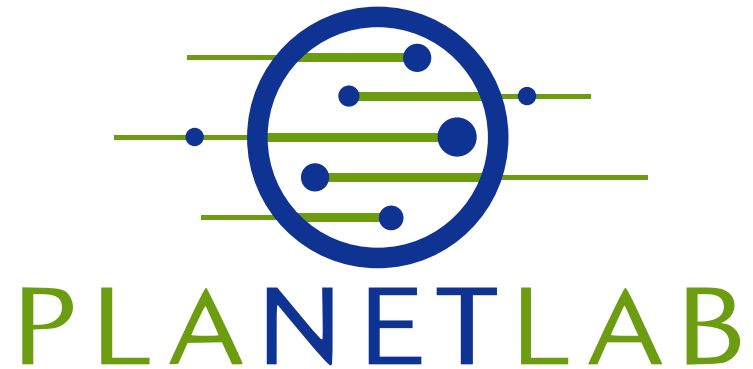


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InstaGENI Overview



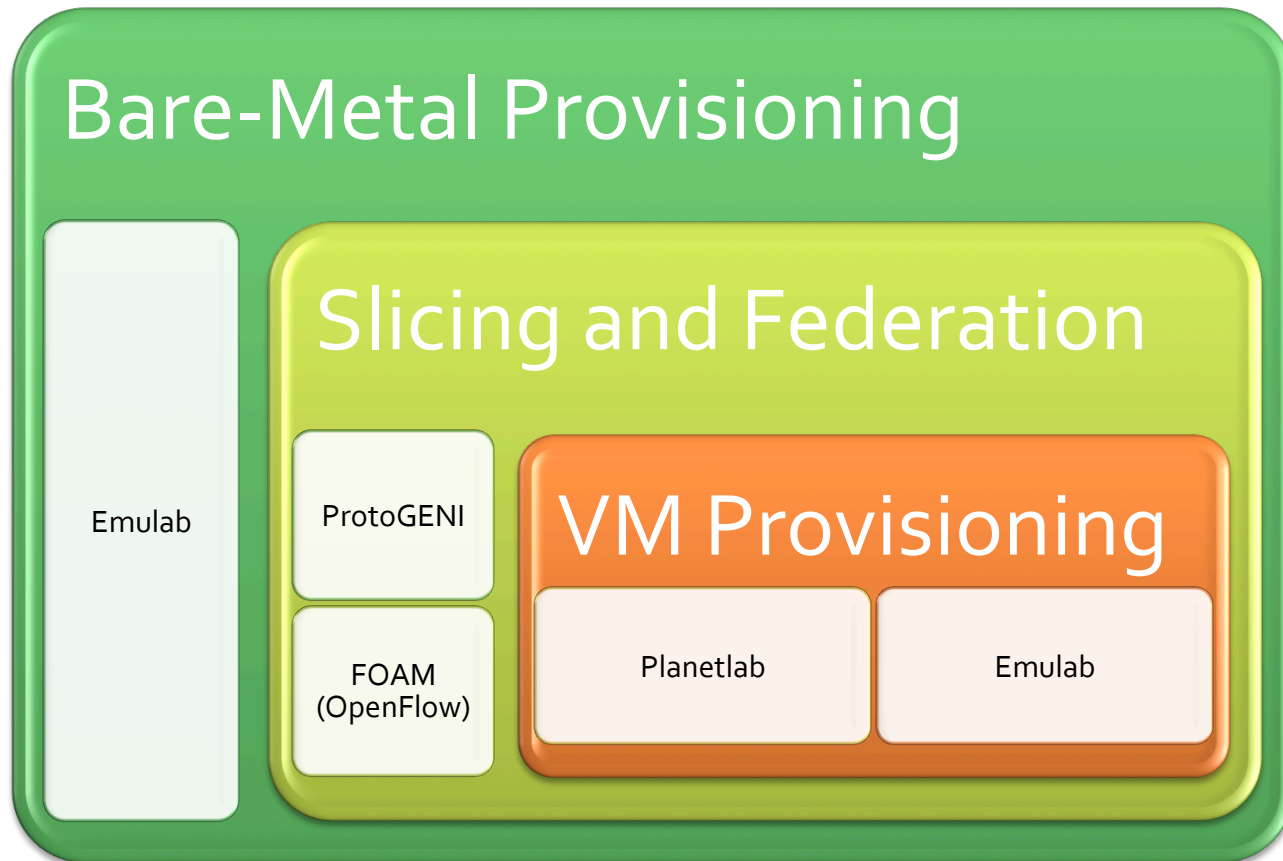


The InstaGENI rack



- Designed for easy deployability
 - Power: 220V L6-20 receptacle (or two 110V)
 - Network: 10/100/1000 Base-T, 10G option
- Designed for re-purposing the hardware
 - Balanced nodes
- Designed for remote management
 - HP iLO on each node
- Designed for flexible networking
 - 4 1G NICs/node, 20 1G NICs, v2 linecards OpenFlow switch
 - Modular switch with spare slots

Nested Software

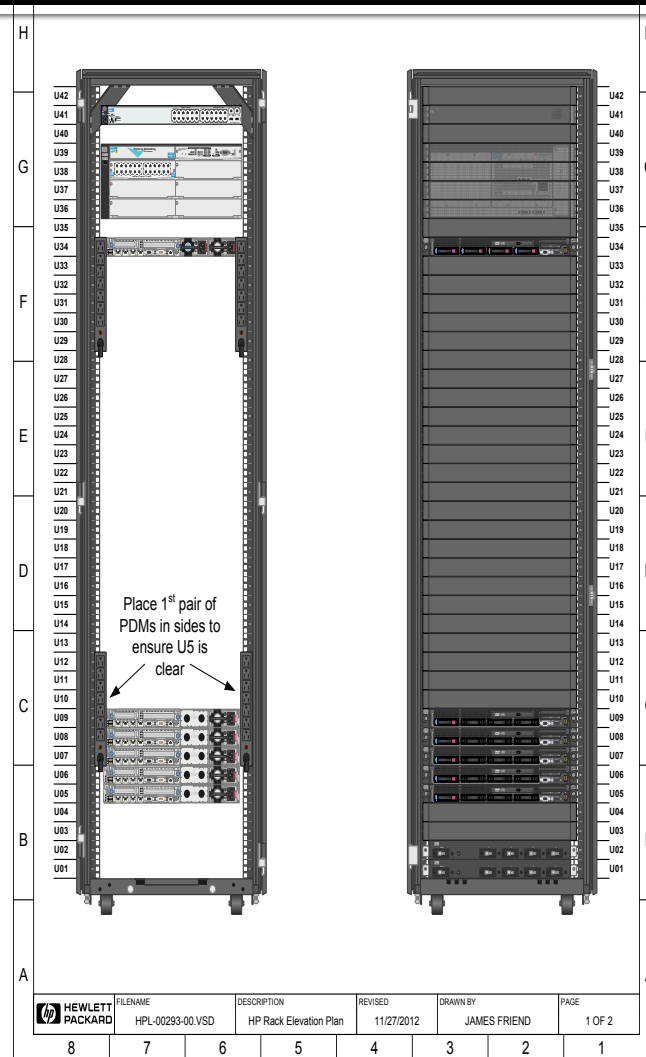


InstaGENI rack hardware

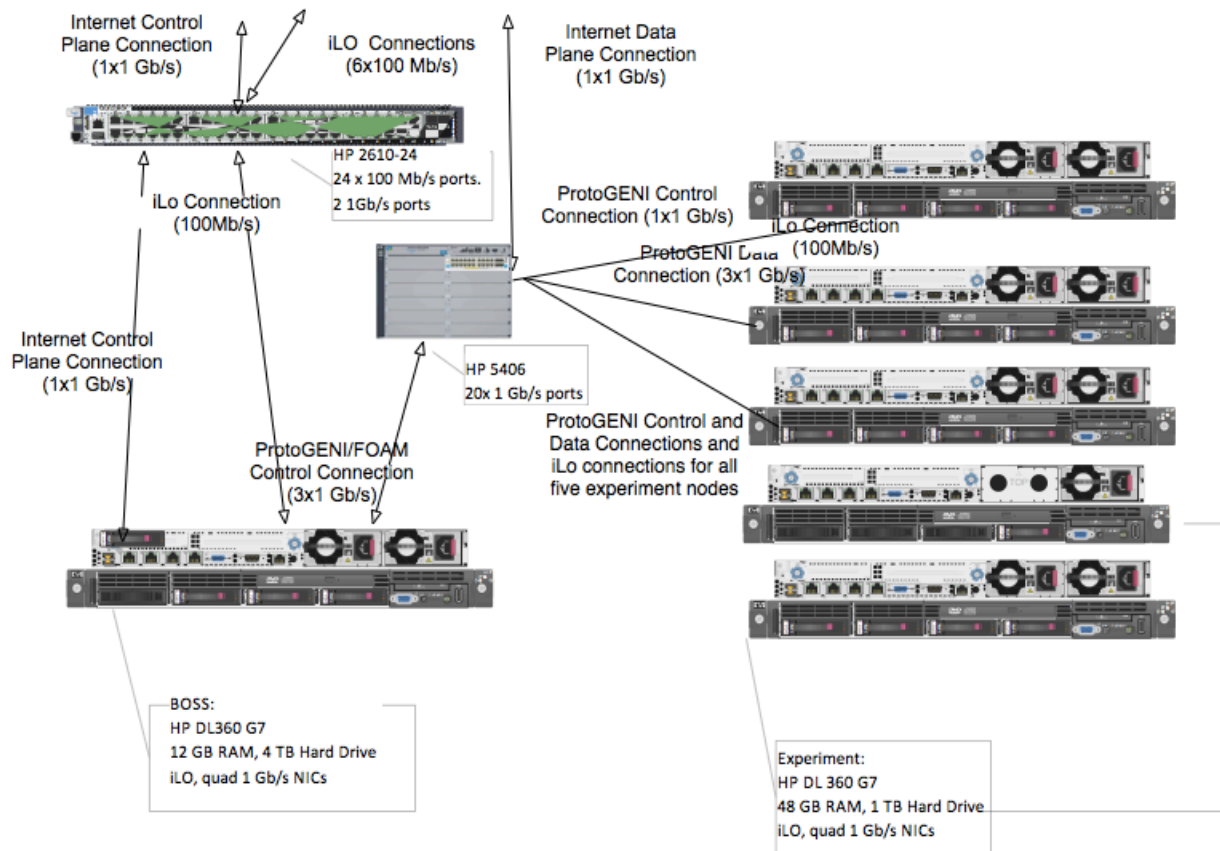


- Control Node for ProtoGENI Boss, ProtoGENI users, FOAM Controller, Image storage...
 - HP ProLiant DL 360G7, quad-core, single-socket, dual NIC (1 Gb/sec), 12GB RAM, 4TB Disk (RAID), iLO
- Five Experiment Nodes
 - HP ProLiant DL 360G7, six-core, dual-socket, quad NIC (1 Gb/sec), 48GB RAM, 1TB Disk, iLO
- OpenFlow Switch
 - HP E 5406, 20 1 Gb/s, v2 linecards
 - Hybrid mode
- Separate control switch

InstaGeni Rack Diagram



Rack Topology



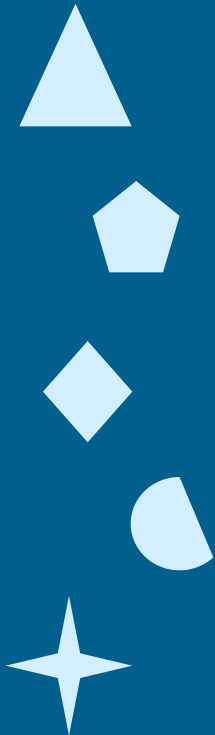
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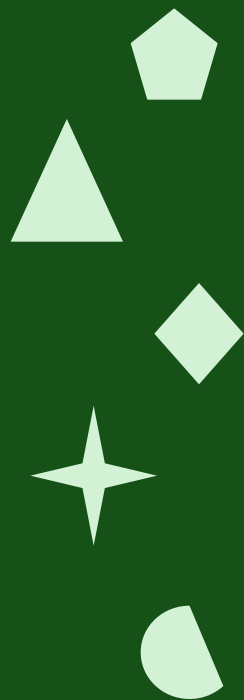
(rE)Provisioning Nodes



ProtoGENI
Shared



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Shared



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Networking off the rack: Software support



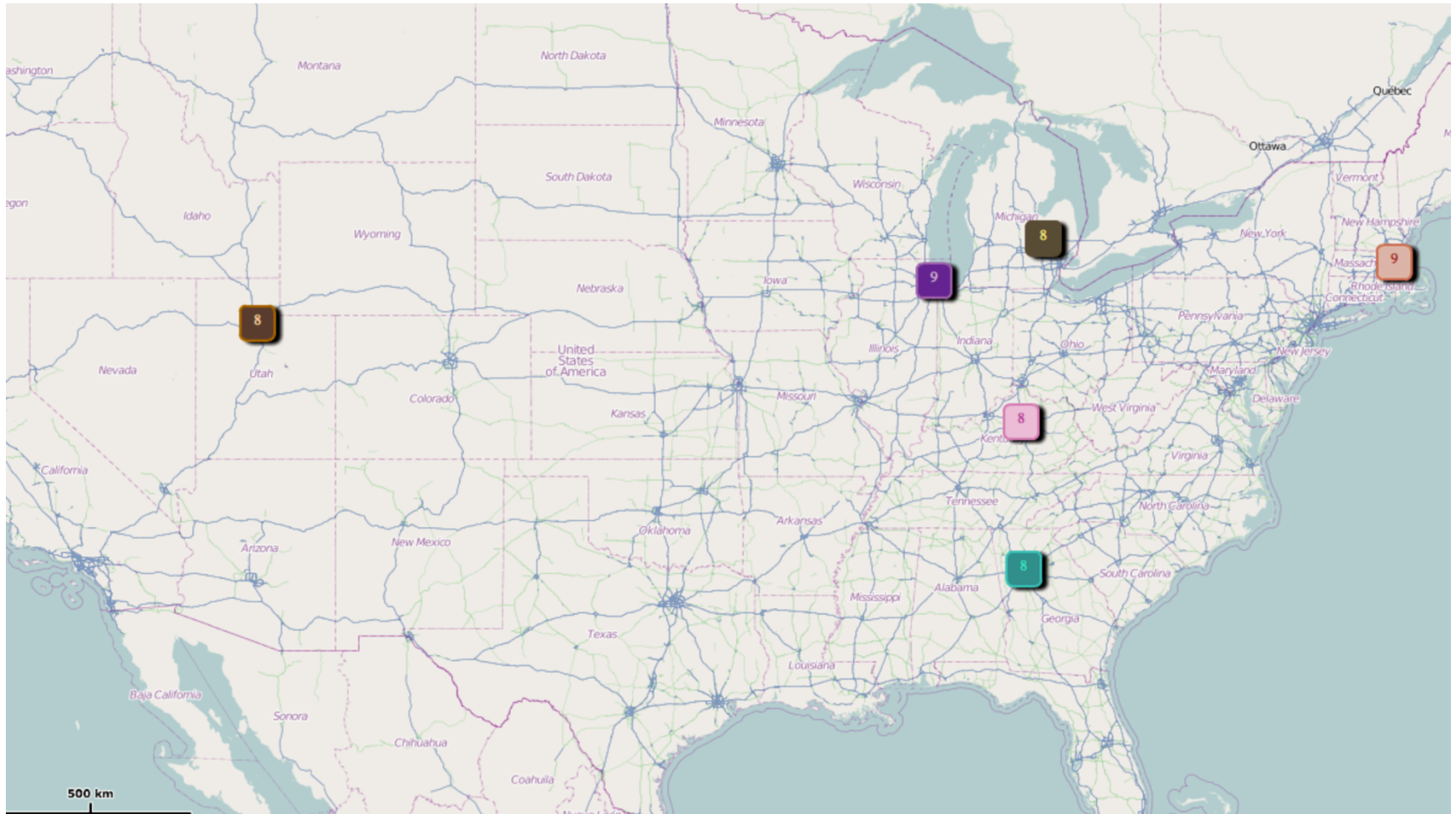
- Two types of paths: IP and native layer 2
- For IP:
 - Control node needs public IP
 - Public IP for workers treated as reservable resources
- For layer 2:
 - Supports automatic provisioning and “stitching”
 - Can produce or consume VLAN labels
 - Can also support statically configured shared VLANs
 - OpenFlow FOAM/Flowvisor discovery and policies
- Supports history lookup, emergency shutdown

Contact Information

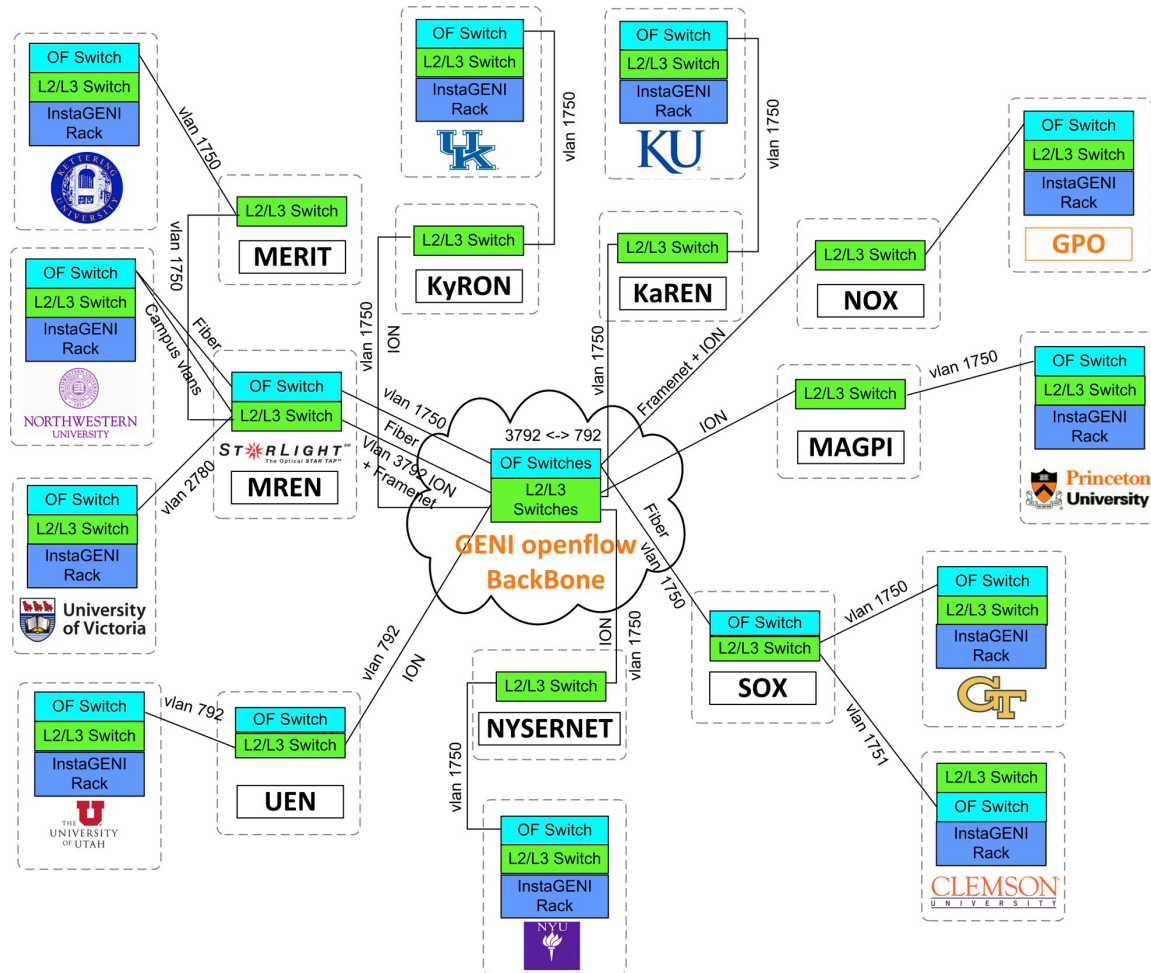


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Current Sites



InstaGENI Network



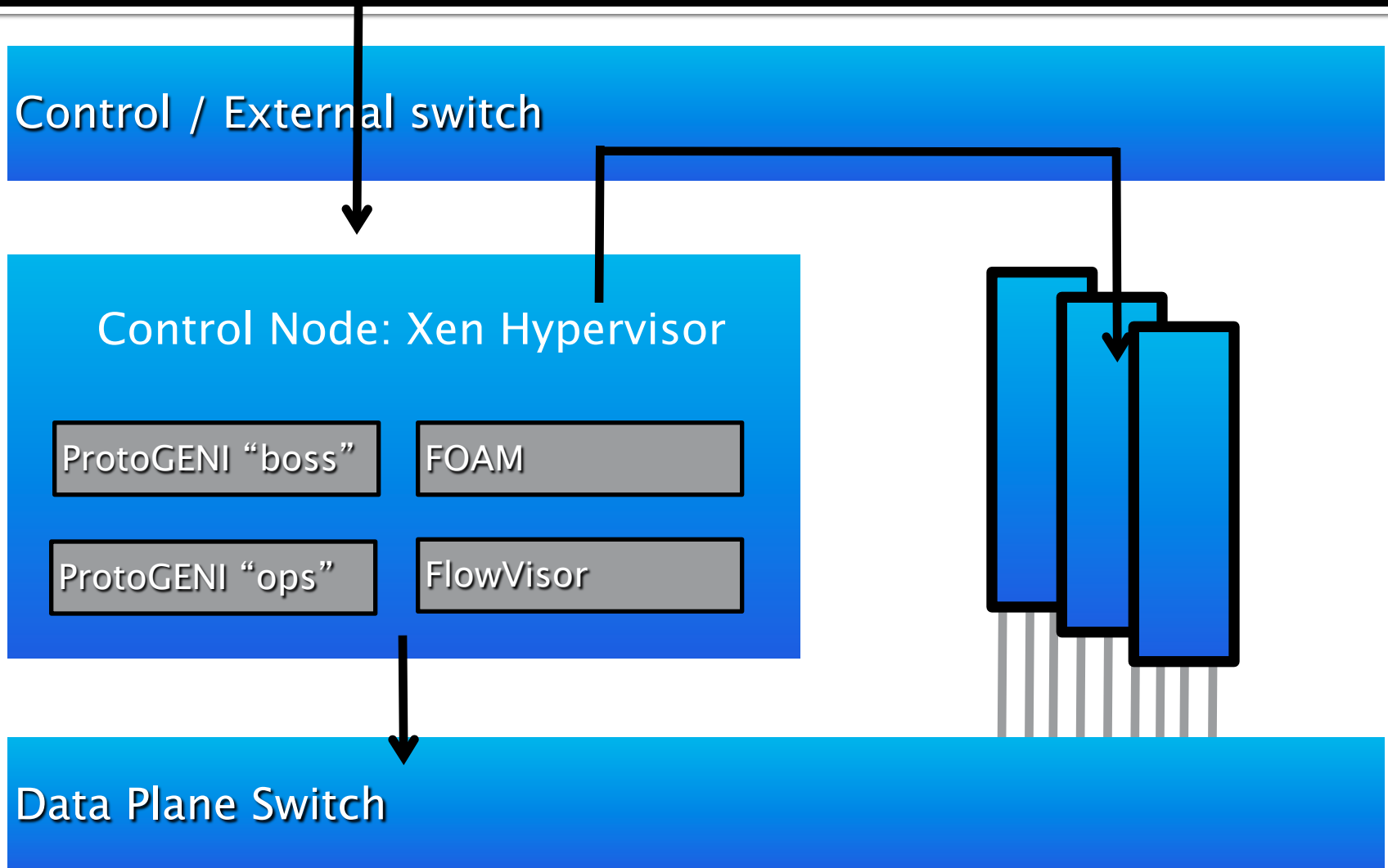
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Networking off the rack: Physical connectivity

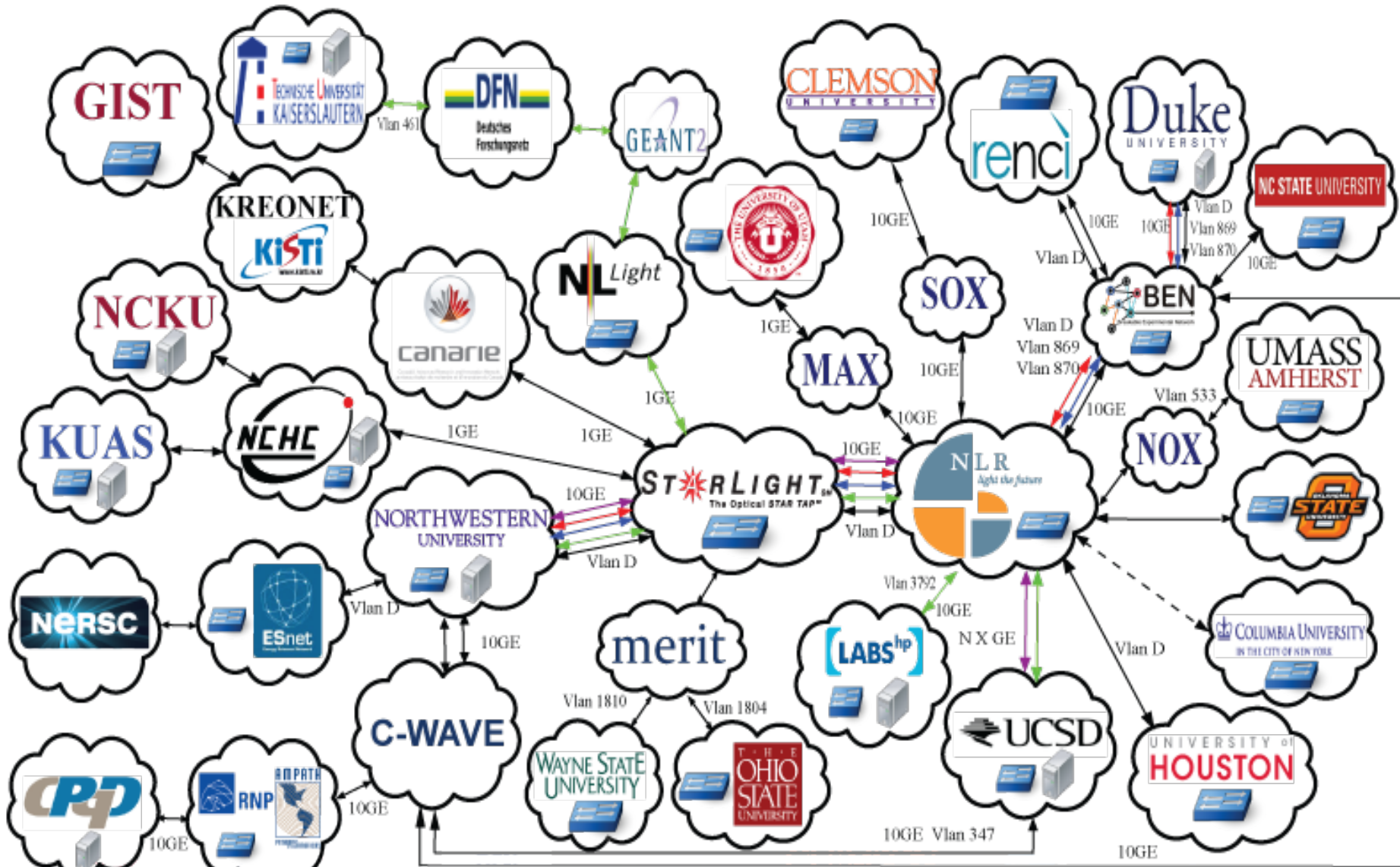


- Connections to ION, regionals, campus resources, etc.
- You tell the rack:
 - What ports you plugged into
 - Where they go
 - What VLAN tags are legal on them
 - OpenFlow: Flowvisor / FOAM

Control Infrastructure



Selected Other Interconnections



Future Rack Options (under development)



- “Good”: GENI-funded rack configuration
 - 1 control node, 5 workers (60 cores)
- “Better”: A full rack
 - 1 control node, 20 workers (240 cores)
- “Best”: A multi-rack system
 - Specifications under development



PLANETLAB



Basic Philosophy



- Don't build a cloud, or a cluster, testbed, build the *platform* on which those things can be built
- This happens to meet the needs of both CS researchers and computational users
- Don't think of InstaGENI as a cloud: think of it as a *meta-cloud*

Computer Systems Research, 1980-2010



- 1980-~1995: The desktop was the experimental system
 - Ex: Original URL of Yahoo! was `akebono.cs.stanford.edu/yahoo.html`
 - Sometimes “servers” used to offload desktops
- ~1995-~2005: Used servers primarily because desktop OS unsuitable for serious work
- ~2005-: Need clusters (and more) for most any experiments

Software Architecture

