



# Cisco GENI Rack

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A collaboration between development partners (RENCI, NetApp, ePlus) to deliver a Data-center class 'GENI Rack' based on Cisco networking and server products

- **Compute** – UCS B-series servers and fabric
- **Network** – Nexus-series OpenFlow-enabled switch options
- **Storage** – NetApp FAS solution
  - NetApp FAS server(s) provide Data-center class scalable storage option ([www.NetApp.com](http://www.NetApp.com))
- **Software** – GENI software stack provided by RENCi's ExoGENI project
  - (<http://www.exogeni.net>)
- **Installation and support services** – offered by ePlus
  - ([www.eplus.com](http://www.eplus.com))

# Current status

- Development rack operational, used for testing  
Entering GPO certification process soon
- First customer rack installed – expecting to go live soon

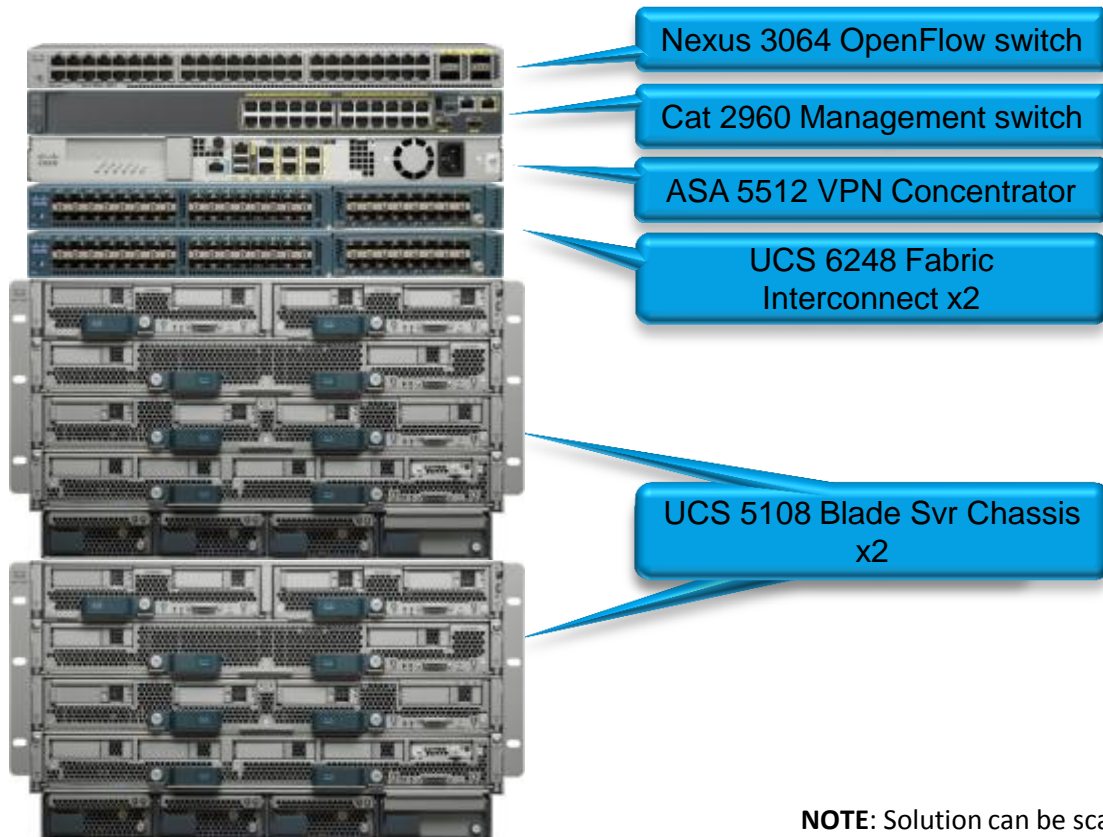
"WVNET will be the 1st customer for the UCS-based ExoGENI Rack, bringing a data-center class solution to the GENI community. The project to build the rack has been true collaboration between RENCi, NetApp, ePlus, Cisco and WVNET teams. We're looking forward to bringing the Rack live in the very near future"

**Judge Dan O'Hanlon, Director, WVNET**



# UCS B-Series Rack Components

- Power, cooling, and space efficient, “Wire-once”, policy driven, self-provisioning environment
- UCS B-series uses the Intel e2590 CPU, offering 240 cores for VM hosting in 16RU\*
- Data-center class solution with flexible expansion options
  - ability to scale to thousands of cores

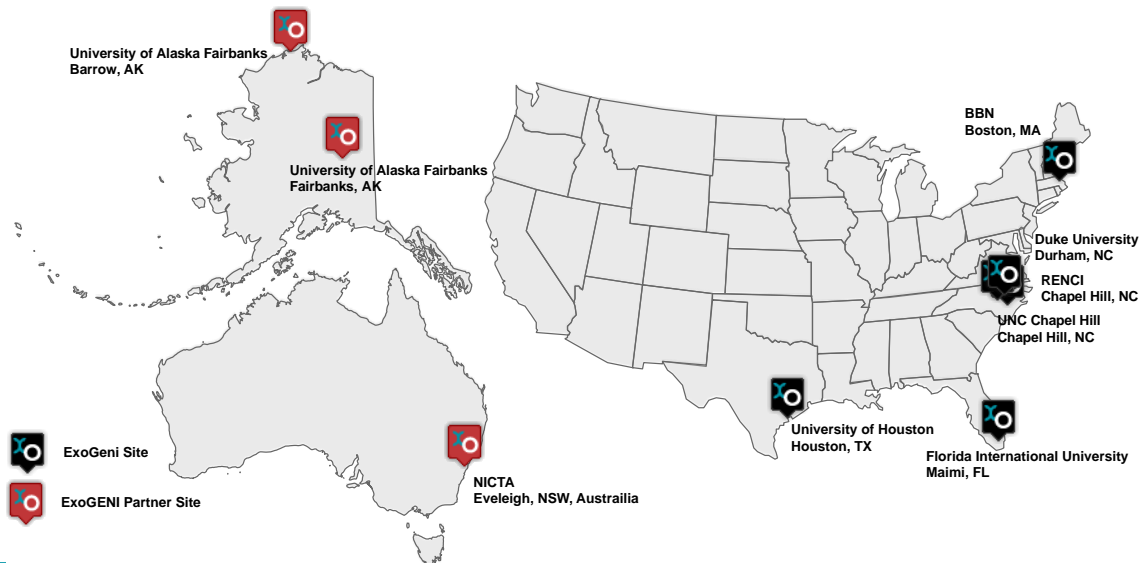


	Configuration
<b># Total Hosts</b>	16
<b># Management Node</b>	1
CPU	2 Socket 8 Core E5-2690 2.9GHz
Memory	48GB
HDD	1x300GB 15K SAS, 1x500GB 7200 SATA
NIC	2x10GE - vNIC
<b># Worker Node</b>	15
CPU	2 Socket 8 Core E5-2690 2.9GHz
Memory	192GB
HDD	1x300GB 15K SAS, 1x500GB 7200 SATA
NIC	2x10GE - vNIC
<b>Management Switch</b>	Cat-2960S
<b>OpenFlow Switch</b>	Nexus 3064
<b>VPN Appliance</b>	ASA5512

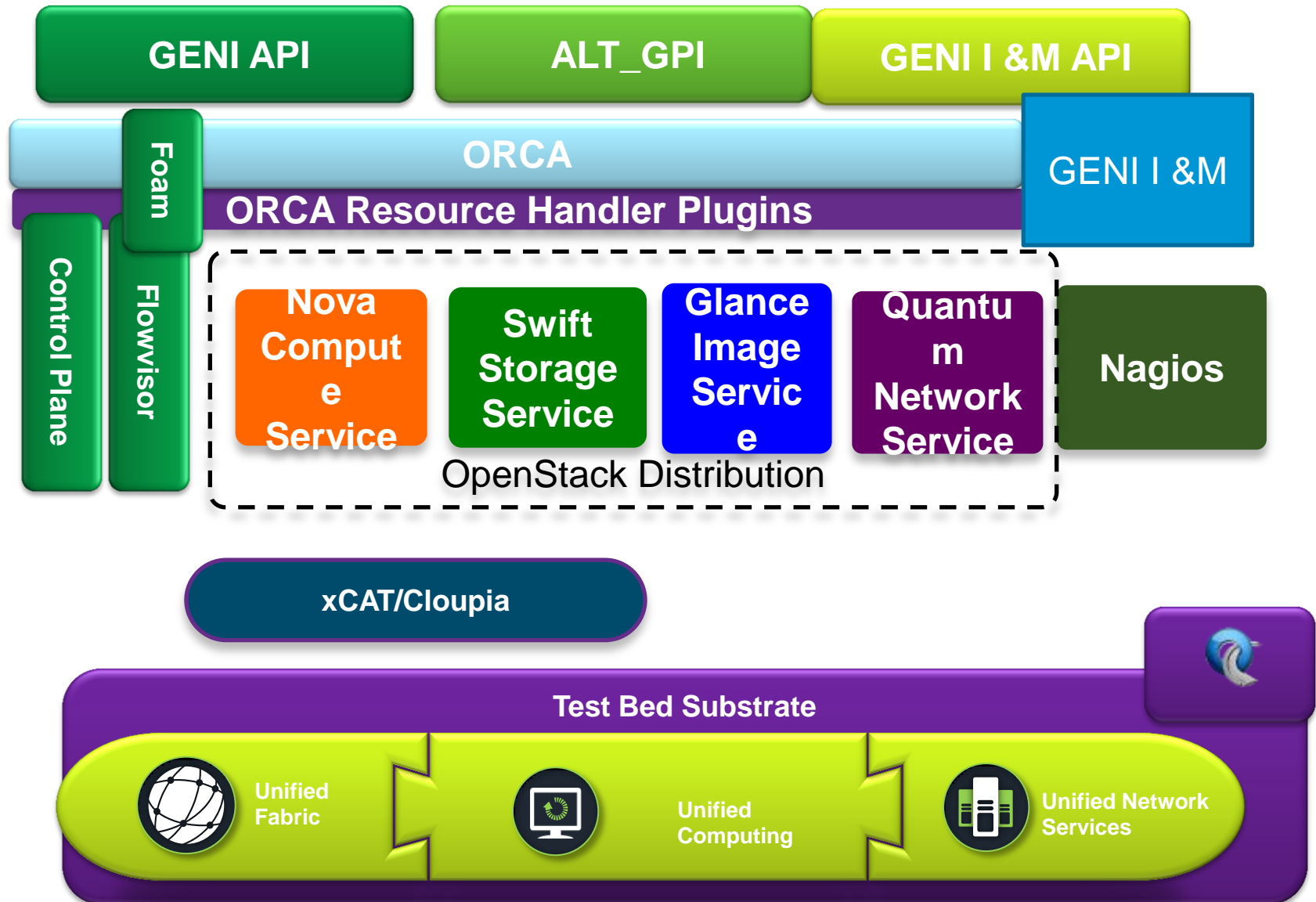
**NOTE:** Solution can be scaled down by using just a single UCS B-series shelf  
 \* 16 RU excludes the Nexus Switch element & NetApp storage

# RENCI ExoGENI Software Stack

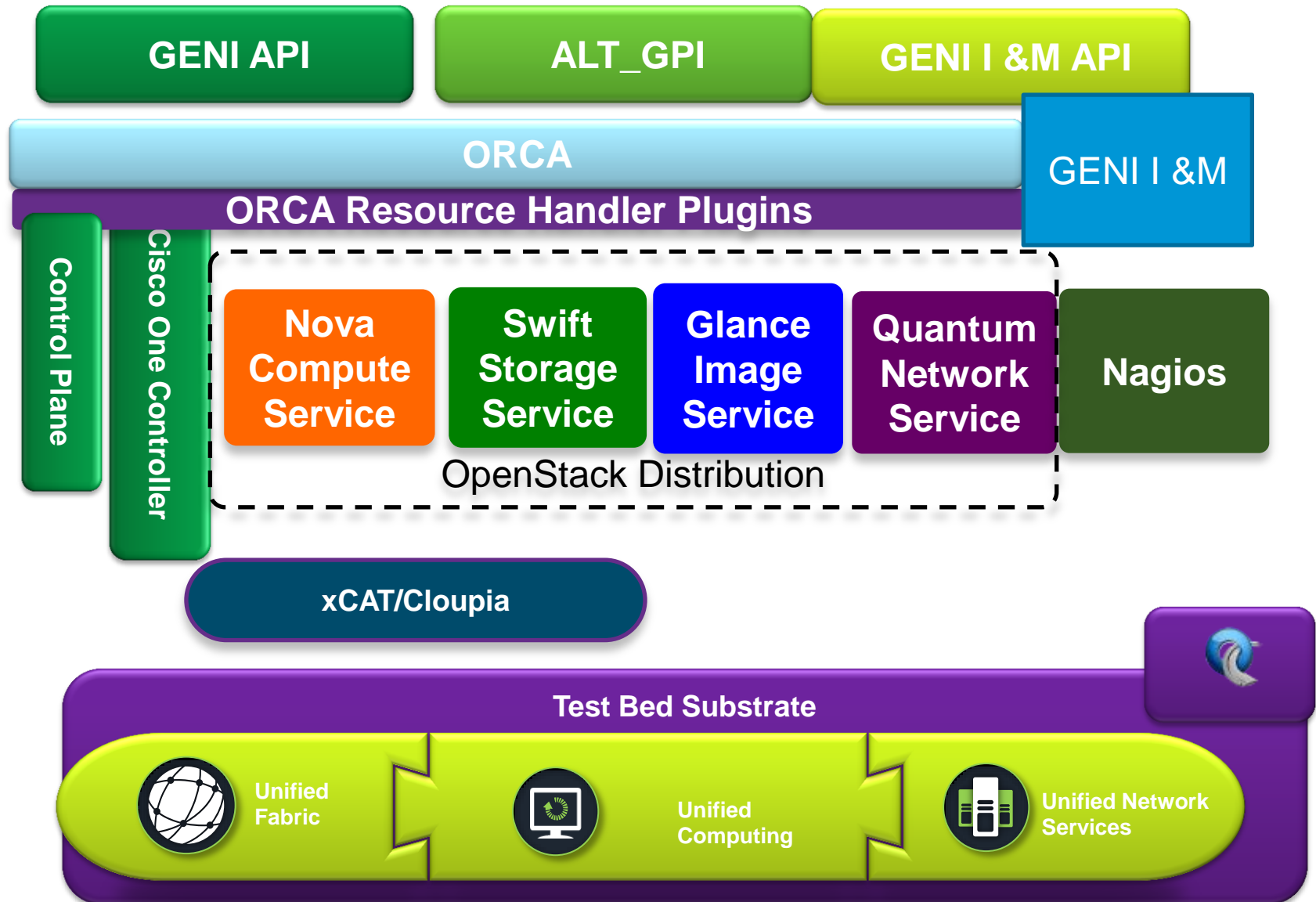
- ExoGENI is a collection of proven open-source software modules
- Federation and resource orchestration using *ORCA* (Open Resource Control Architecture) software funded by NSF and GENI
  - Developed by Duke University and RENCi
- ExoGENI software successfully deployed in active GENI racks today
- Same ORCA and GENI AM API's as used on existing ExoGENI racks



# Cisco ExoGENI Integration Phase 1



# Cisco ExoGENI Integration Phase 2



NCSU/FREEDM  
Power Grid

# PhyPhysical Layout of the test bed with live streaming data

RENCI/UNC  
Breakable Experimental  
Network (BEN)

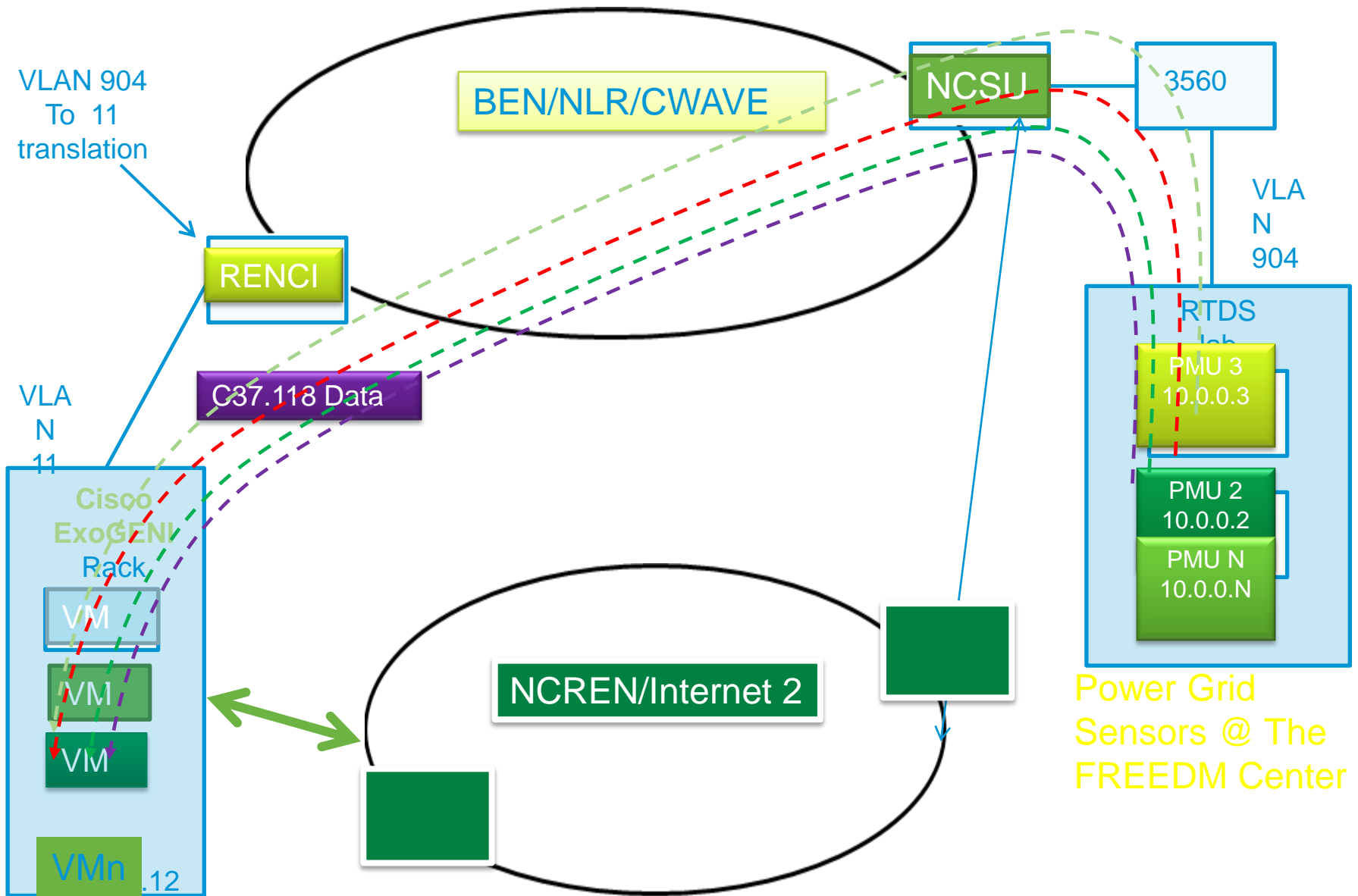
CISCO ExoGENI Rack

NLR/C-WAVE

IP Core  
NCREN/Internet 2  
Public Internet



# Live Test Bed with Closed Loop Control and Quality of Service



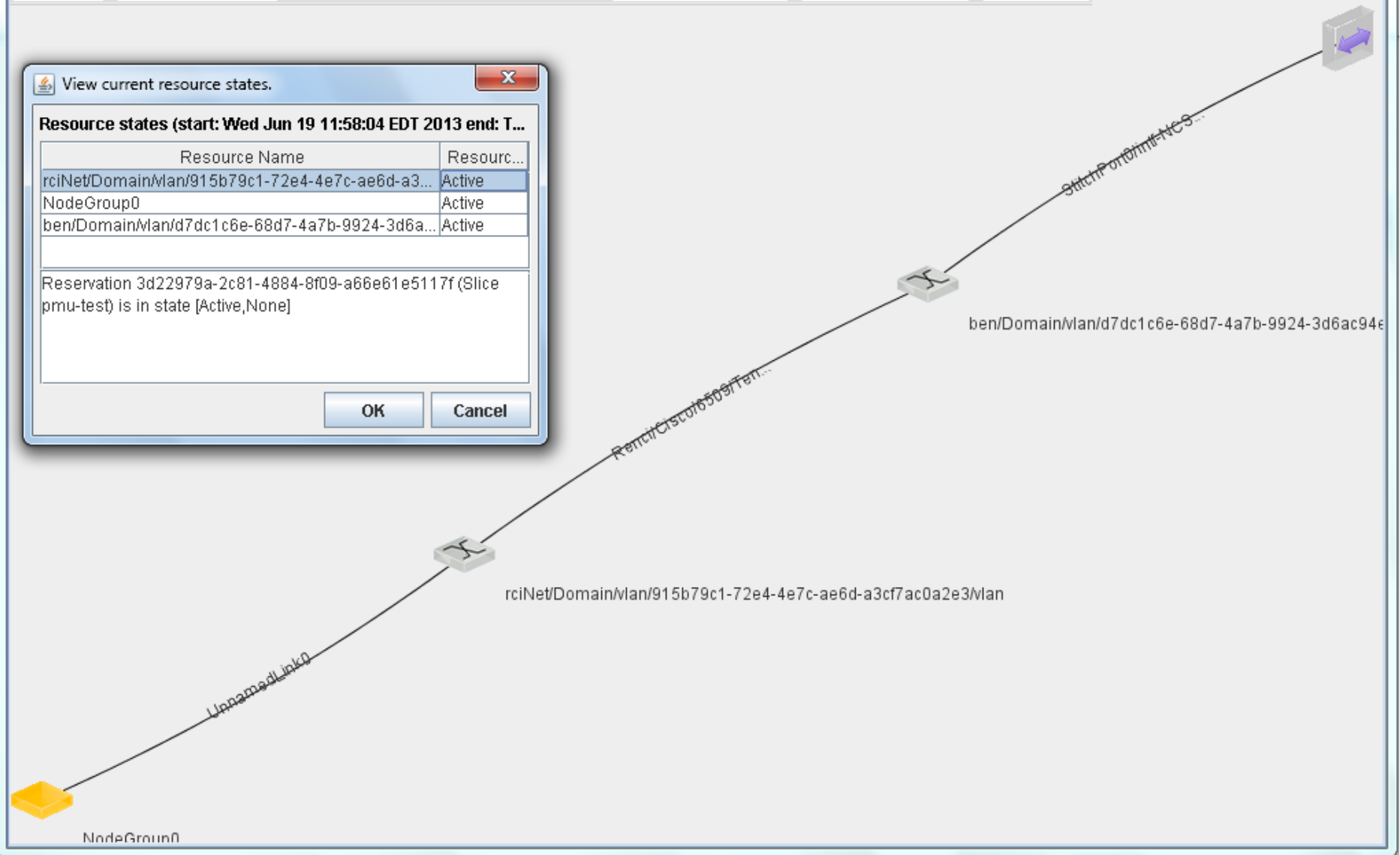
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NodeGroup0	Active
ben/DomainMan/d7dc1c6e-68d7-4a7b-9924-3d6a...	Active

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PuTTY (inactive)

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--- 10.0.0.3 ping statistics ---
10 packets transmitted, 10 received, 0% packet loss, time 9015ms
rtt min/avg/max/mdev = 1.503/3.005/13.308/3.521 ms
root@debian:~# kermit
C-Kermit 9.0.302 OPEN SOURCE:, 20 Aug 2011, for Linux+SSL (64-bit)
Copyright (C) 1985, 2011,
Trustees of Columbia University in the City of New York.
Type ? or HELP for help.
(/root/) C-Kermit>telnet 10.0.0.3
Trying 10.0.0.3... (OK)
Connecting to host 10.0.0.3
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or followed by ? to see other options.
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