

Future Internet Resilience

Summary of Networking Research at The University of Kansas ITTC

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ITTC Networking Research

Major Themes

- Major related research themes
 - future Internet architecture and infrastructure
 - resilient and survivable networks
 - information assurance and security
 - disruptive and novel communication paradigms

ITTC Networking Research

Collaborators and Funding

- Collaborators
 - regional: K-State, UMKC, UNL, ...
 - national: Rutgers, Penn State, CMU, ORNL, ...
 - international: U. Lancaster UK, ETH Zürich, TU-Munich, ...
- Funding
 - NSF FIND, GENI, ...
 - DoD DARPA, CTEIP, ...
 - EU FP6 SAC, FP7 FIRE
 - Industry: Sprint, ...

Resilient Networks

Motivation

- Increasing reliance on network infrastructure
 - ⇒ Increasingly severe consequences of disruption
 - ⇒ Increasing attractiveness as target from bad guys
- Internet is *critical infrastructure*
 - interdependent with other CI, e.g. power grid

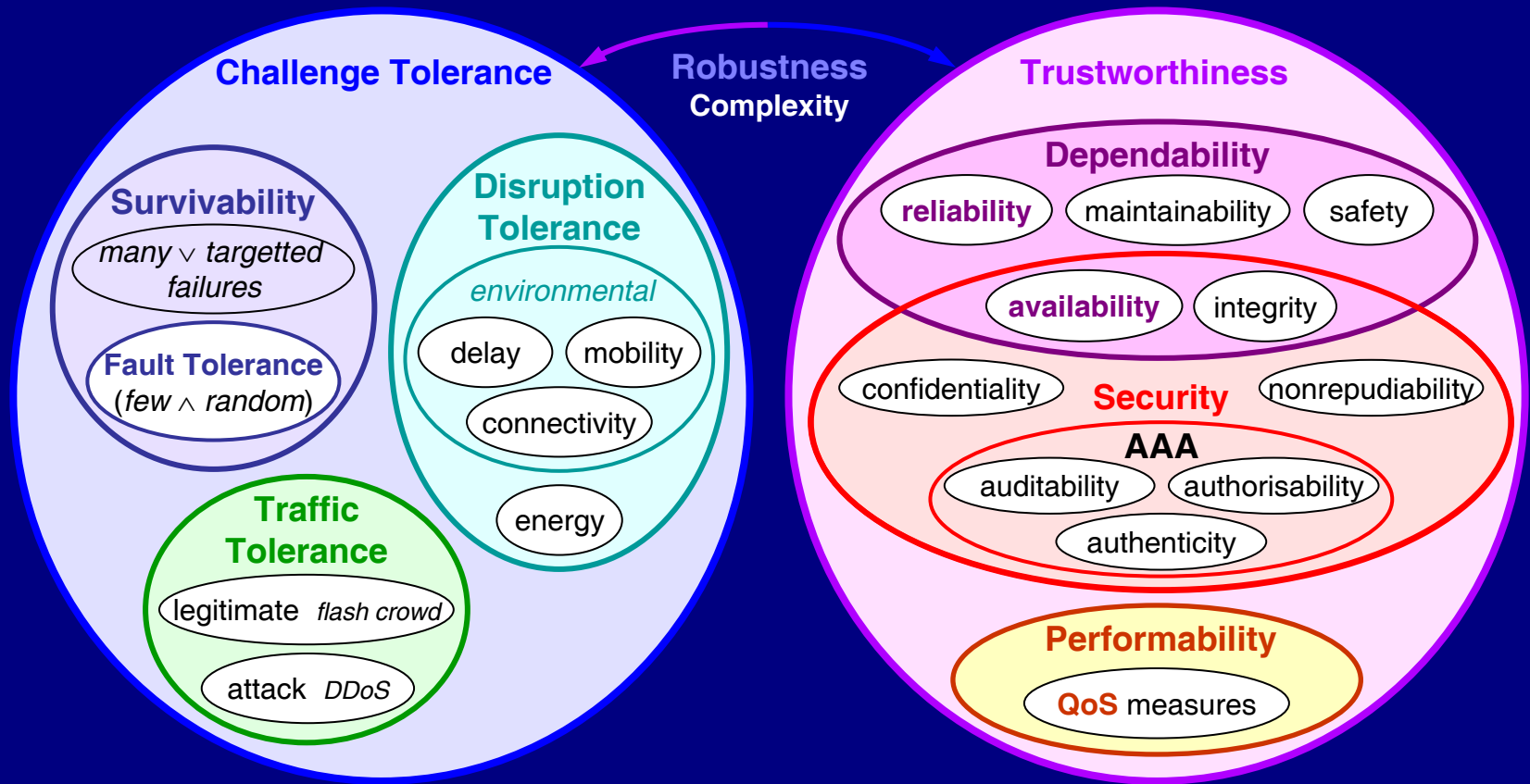
Resilient Networks

Resilience Definition

- Resilience
 - provide and maintain acceptable service
 - in the face of faults and challenges to normal operation
- Challenges
 - faults
 - unintentional misconfiguration or operational mistakes
 - large scale disasters (natural and human-made)
 - malicious attacks from intelligent adversaries
 - environmental challenges (wireless, mobility, delay)
 - unusual but legitimate traffic
 - service failure at a lower level

Resilience Scope

Relationship to Other Disciplines

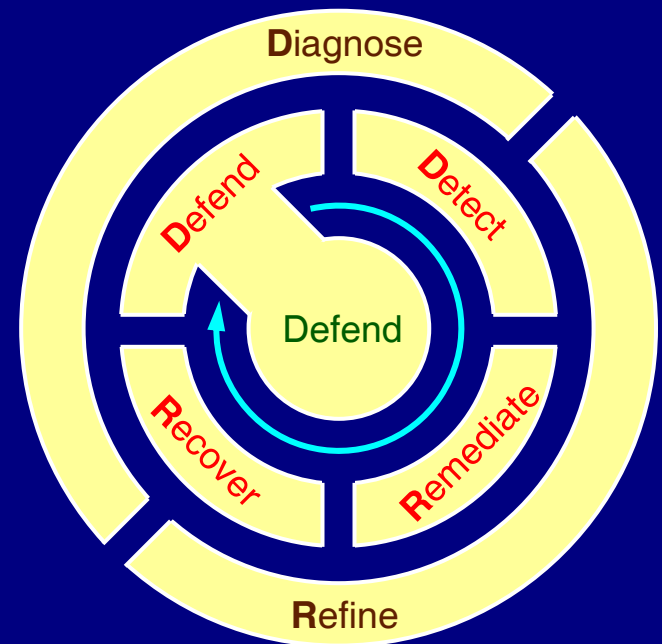


Resilience Architecture

ResiliNets Strategy: $D^2R^2 + DR$

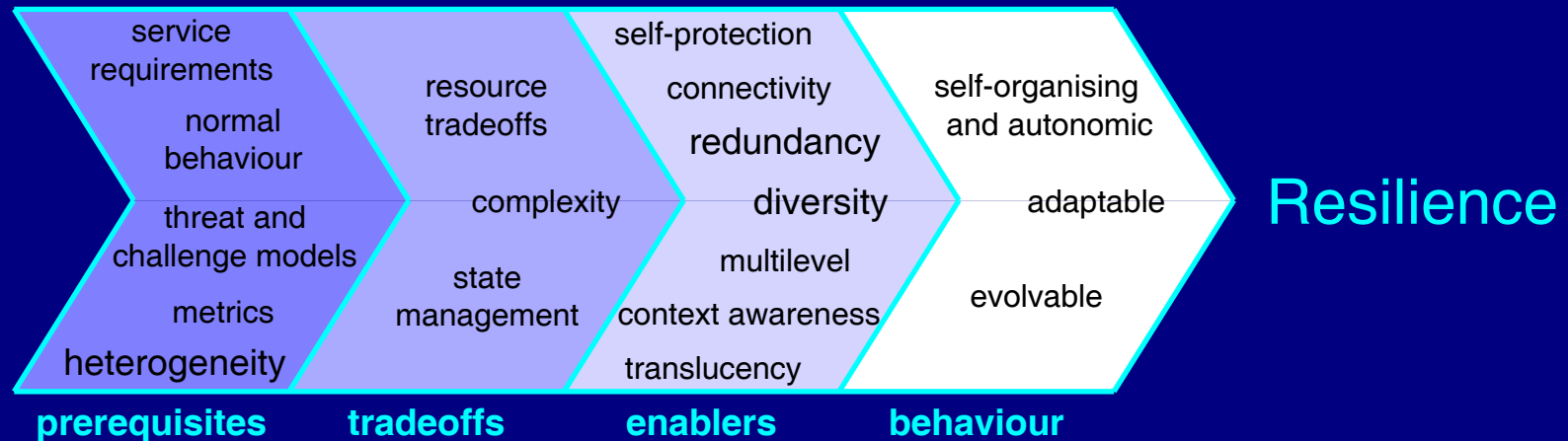
- Real time control loop: D^2R^2
 - defend
 - passive
 - active
 - detect
 - remediate
 - recover
- Background loop: DR
 - diagnose
 - refine

[ComNet 2010]



Resilience Architecture

ResiliNets Principles

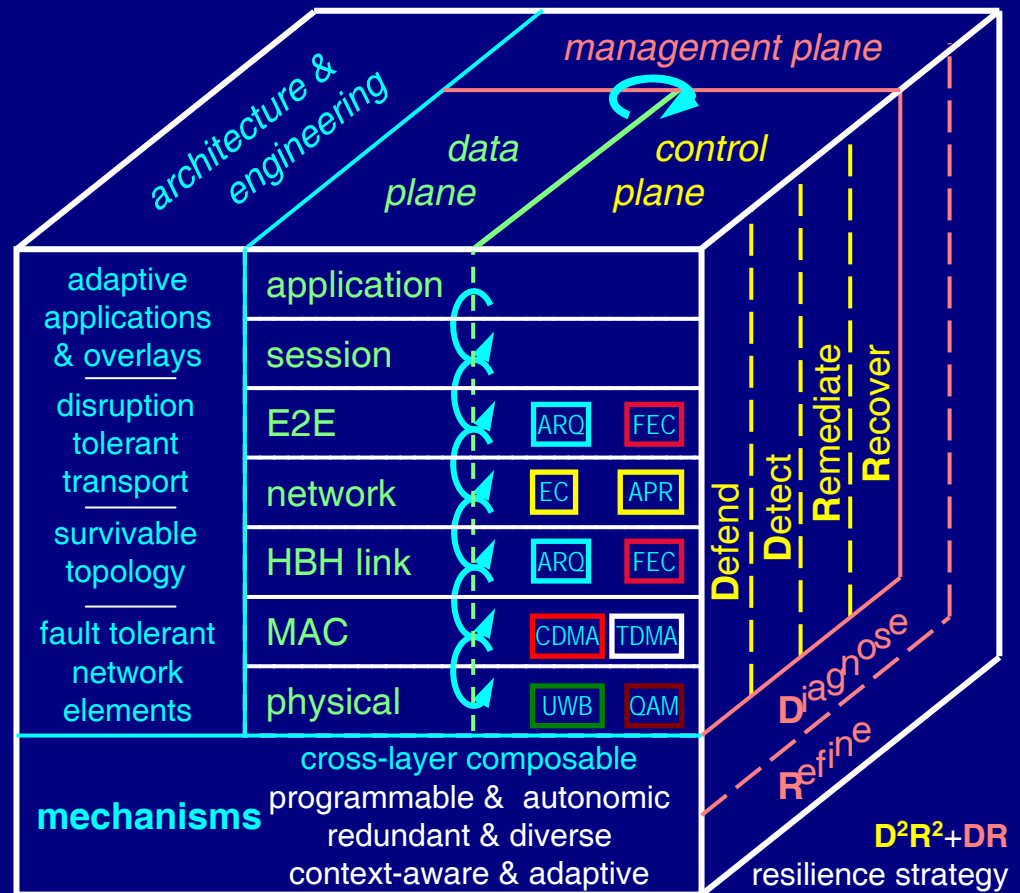


- Prerequisites: to understand and define resilience
- Tradeoffs: recognise and organise complexity
- Enablers: architecture and mechanisms for resilience
- Behaviour: require significant complexity to operate

Resilience Architecture

Multilevel Resilience and Cross-Layering

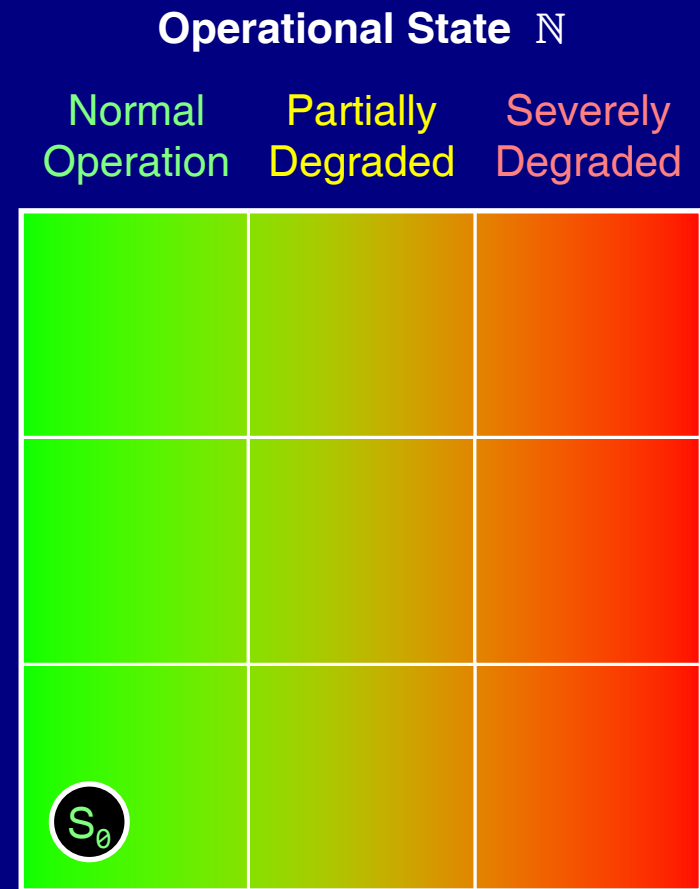
- ResiliNets Cube
 - multilevel
 - protocol layers
 - planes
 - mechanisms
- D²R²+DR strategy
 - D²R² control plane
 - DR mgt. plane
- Cross-layering
 - knobs and dials are metrics
 - $\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{D} \subseteq \mathbb{N} \cup \mathbb{P}$



Resilience Quantification

State Space: Operational Resilience

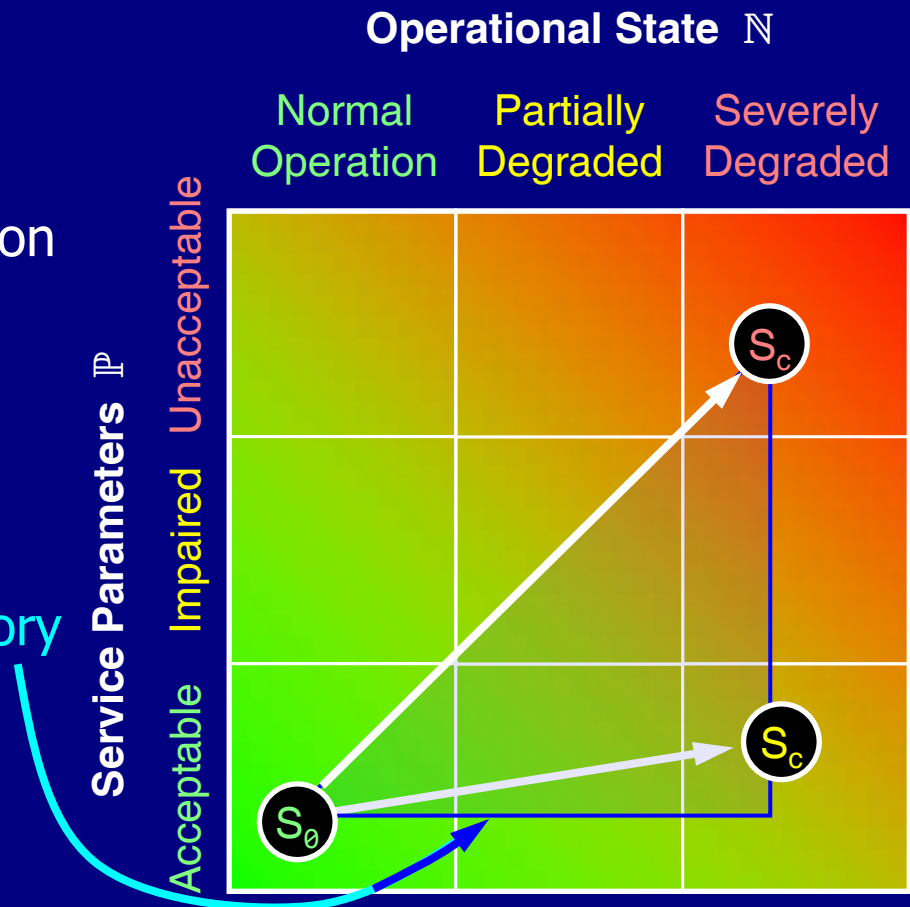
- Operational resilience
 - minimal degradation
 - in the face of challenges
- Resilience state
 - remains in normal operation



Resilience Quantification

State Space: Service Resilience

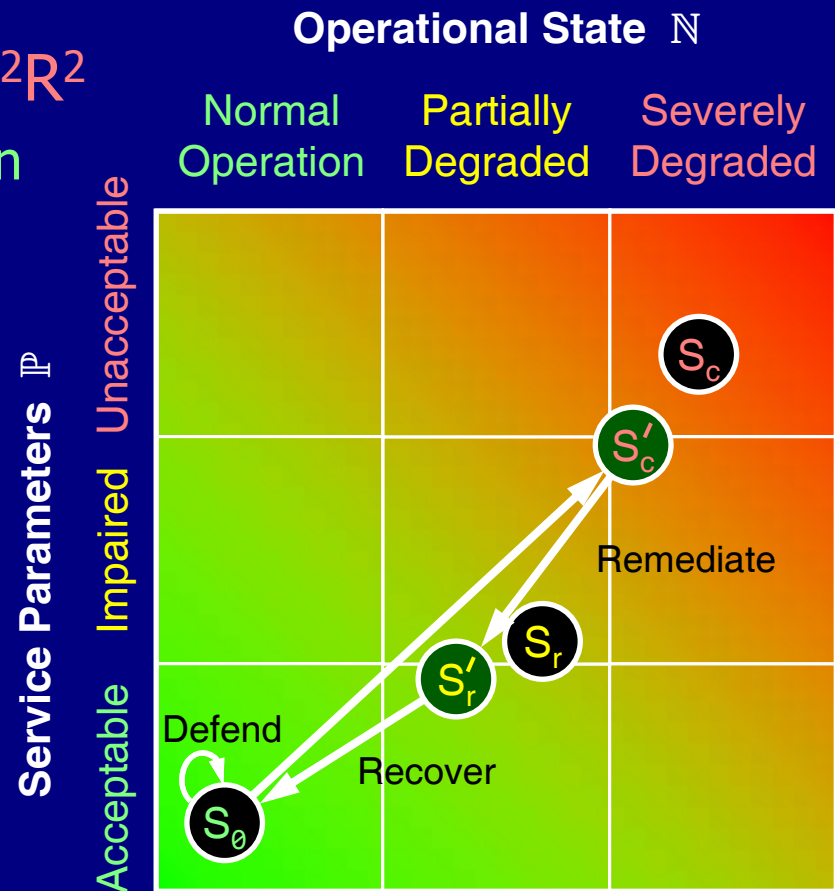
- Service resilience
 - acceptable service
 - given degraded operation
- Resilience state
 - remains in acceptable service
- Resilience
 - \mathbb{R} = area under trajectory
 - for particular scenario
 - resilience \mathfrak{R} over all scenarios



Resilience Quantification

D^2R^2 + DR Relationship to State Space

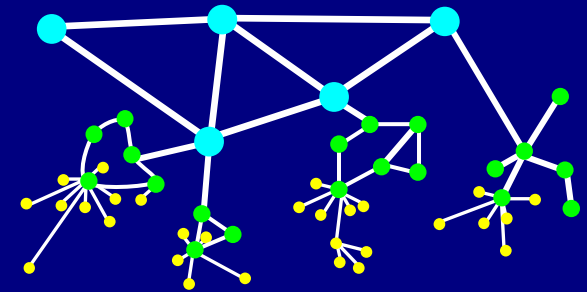
- Real time control loop: D^2R^2
 - defend keeps toward origin
 - passive
 - active
 - detect when leaves
 - remediate pushes back
 - recover back to origin
- Background loop: DR
 - diagnose
 - refine tightens trajectory



Resilience Evaluation

Topology Generation: KU-LoCGen

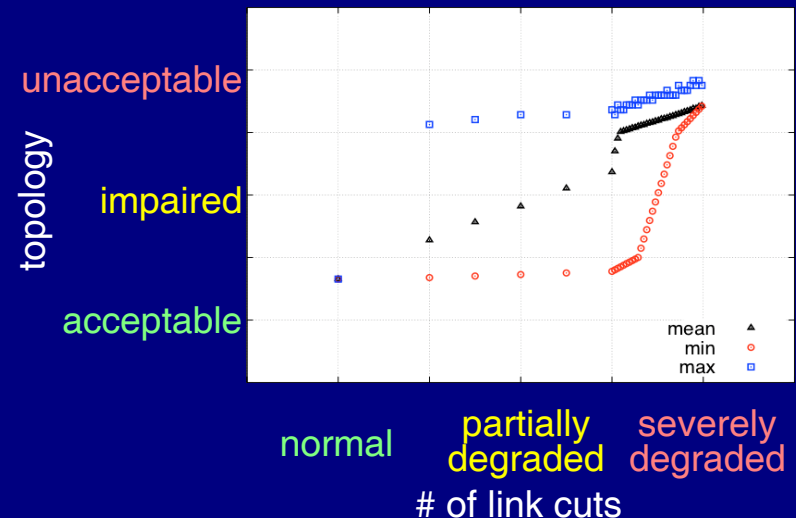
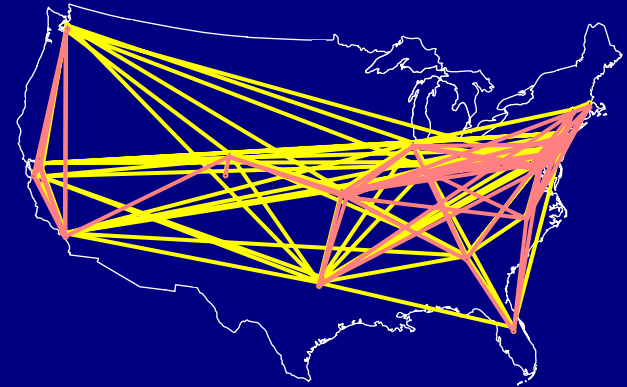
- Generation of realistic topologies
- Multilevel hierarchy
 - level 1: represents (tier 1) backbone
 - level 2: represents access networks around a backbone PoP
 - level 3: represents subscriber nodes
- Constrained generation
 - geographic node location (infrastructure or population)
 - constrained link location (based on exiting fiber runs)
 - constrained cost (fixed + variable cost)
 - graph-theoretic constraints for resilient diversity



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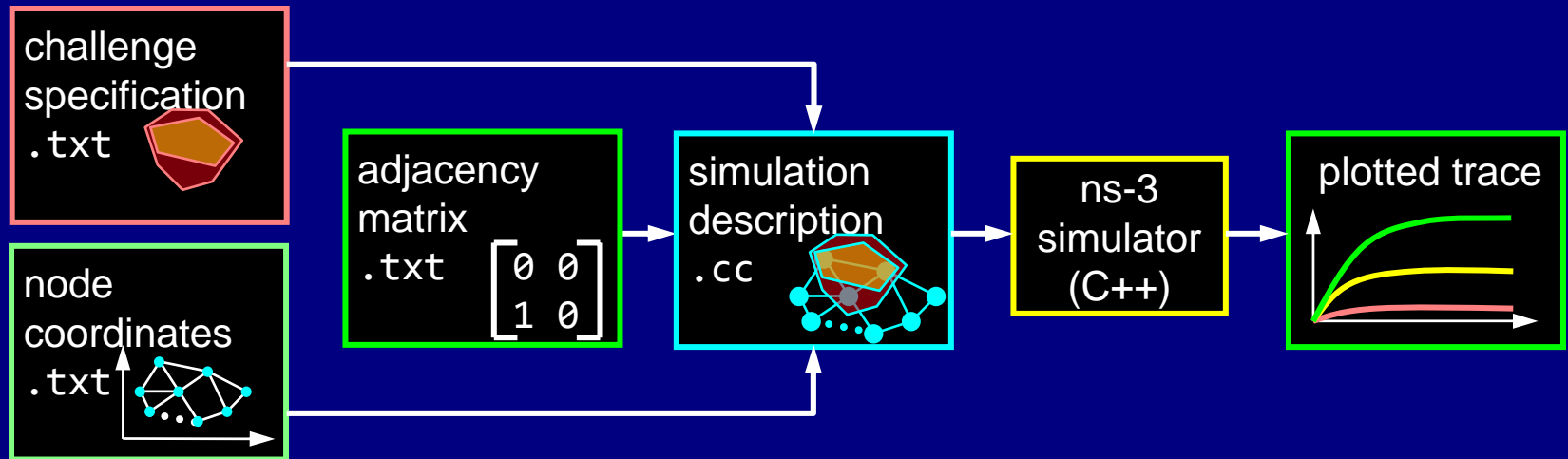
Evaluating Challenges in State Space

- Topology generation
 - use KU-LoCGen
- Challenge simulation
 - random failures
 - intelligent attacks
 - degree, betweenness, etc.
 - large scale disasters
 - hurricanes, blackouts
- Example
 - resilience of alternatives based on Sprint PoPs



Resilience Evaluation

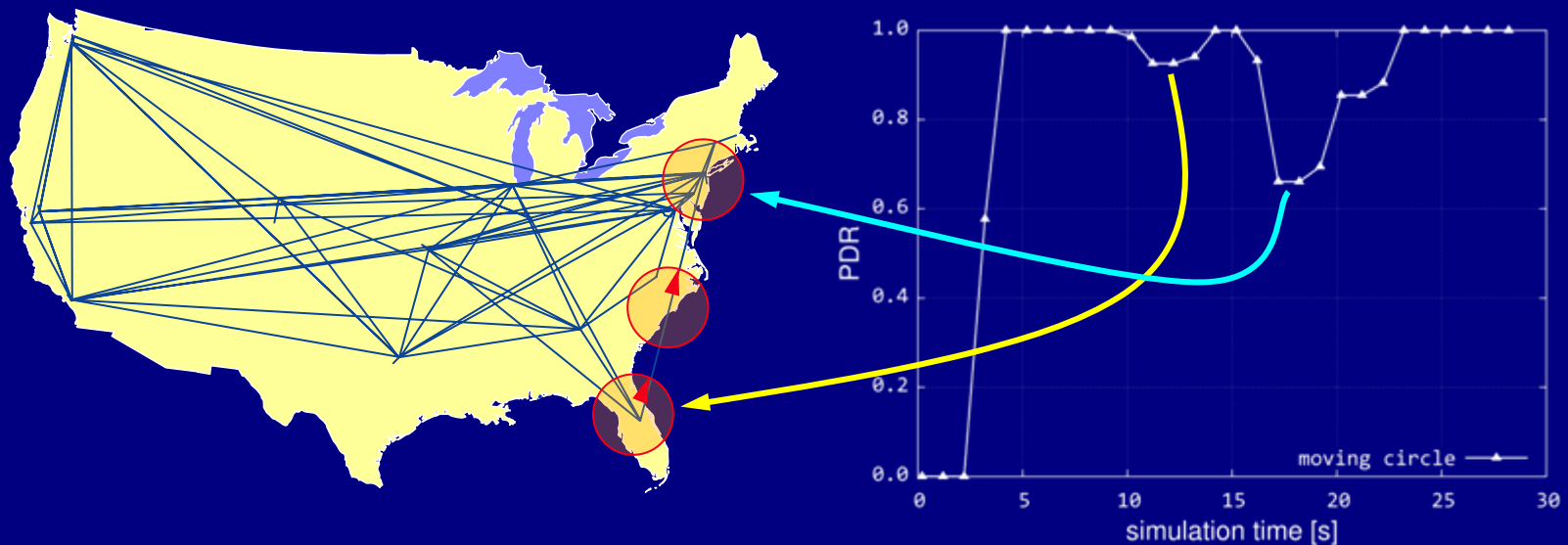
KU-CSM Challenge Simulation



- KU-CSM Challenge Simulation Module
 - challenge specification describes challenge scenario
 - network coordinates provide node geo-locations
 - adjacency matrix specifies link connectivity
 - input to conventional ns-3 simulation run
 - generates trace to plot results
- } KU-LoCGen

Resilience Evaluation

KU-CSM Challenge Simulation



- Example: evolving area-based challenge example
 - circle moving from Orlando to NY
- Performability analysis: packet delivery ratio
 - PDR varies with # links nodes down

Enabling Future Internet Research

GpENI Overview

- Great Plains Environment for Network Innovation
 - part of NSF GENI program
 - affiliated with EU FP7 FIRE programme / ResumeNet project
- Programmable network infrastructure (L1–7)
 - Midwest US optical backbone
 - International testbed
- Conduct experiments in:
 - future Internet architectures
 - resilience and survivability
 - cross-evaluation with analytical- and simulation-based eval.

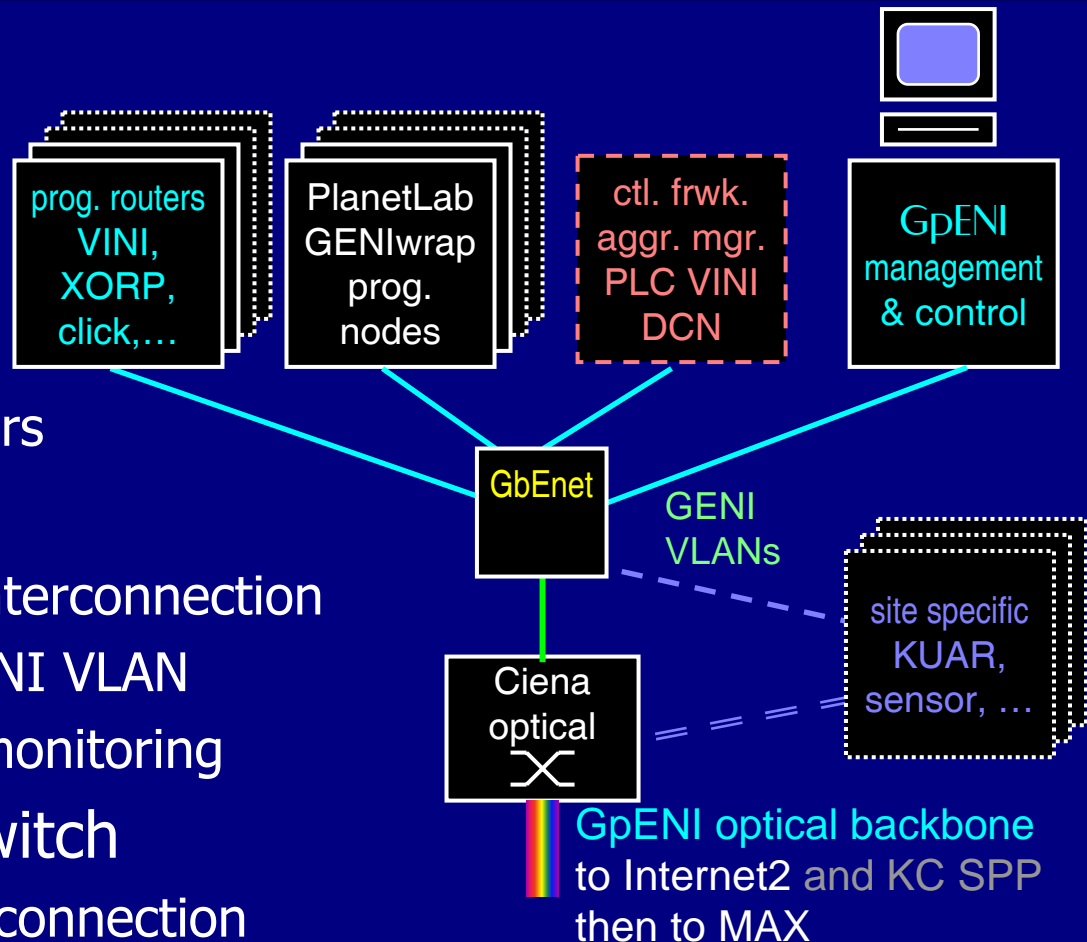
	GpENI Layer	Programmability
	experiment	Gush, Raven
7	application	PlanetLab
4	end-to-end	
3	router	Quagga, XORP, Click
	topology	VINI
2	VLAN	DCN
	lightpath	
1	RF, photonics	site-specific

[TridentCom 2010]

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GpENI Midwest Optical Node Cluster

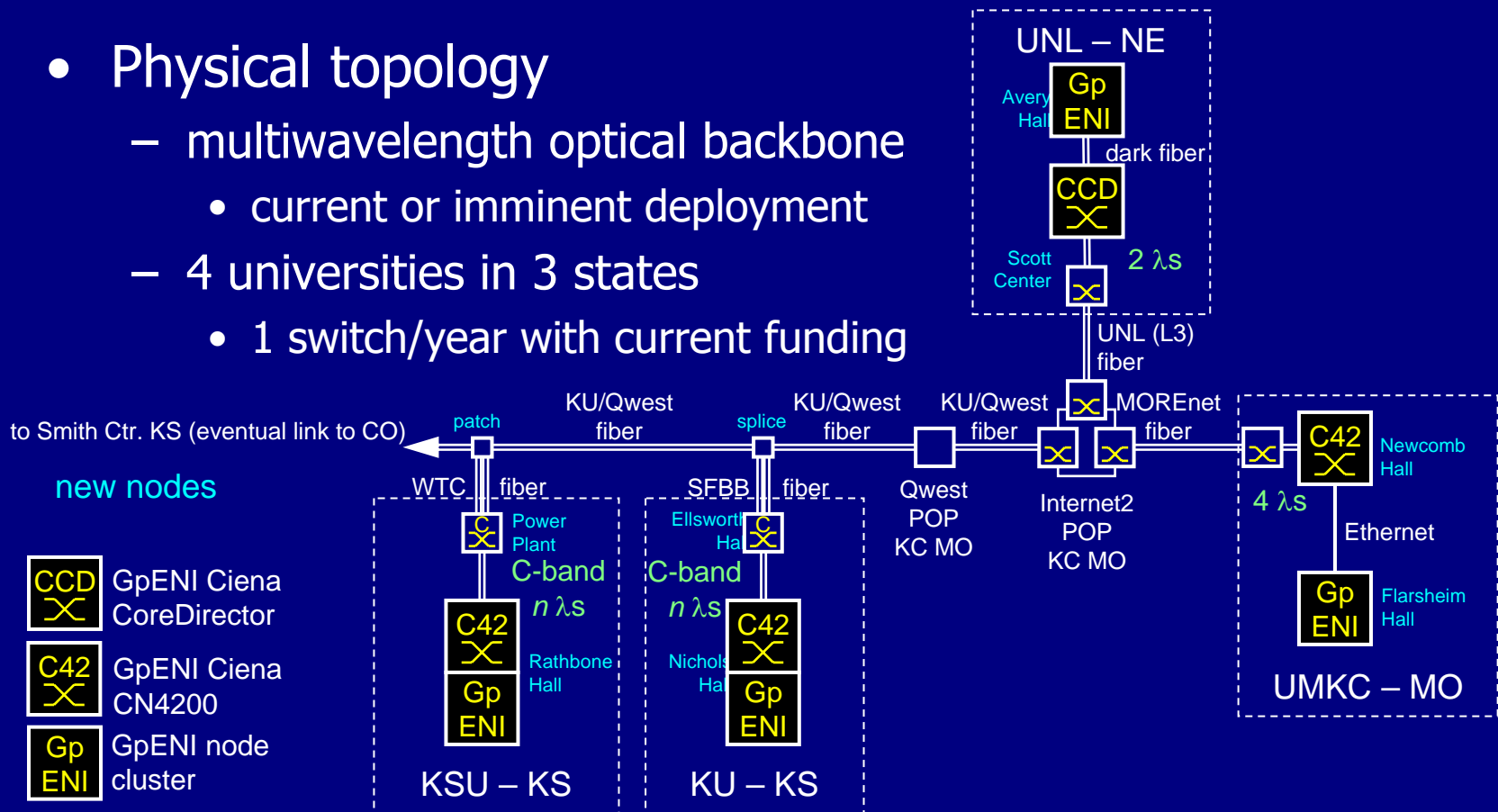
- GpENI cluster
- 5–10 PCs
 - GpENI mgt.
 - L4: PlanetLab
 - L3: prog. routers
- GbE switch
 - arbitrary site interconnection
 - L2: GpENI/GENI VLAN
 - SNMP cluster monitoring
- Ciena optical switch
 - L1 GpENI interconnection



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GpENI Midwest Optical Backbone

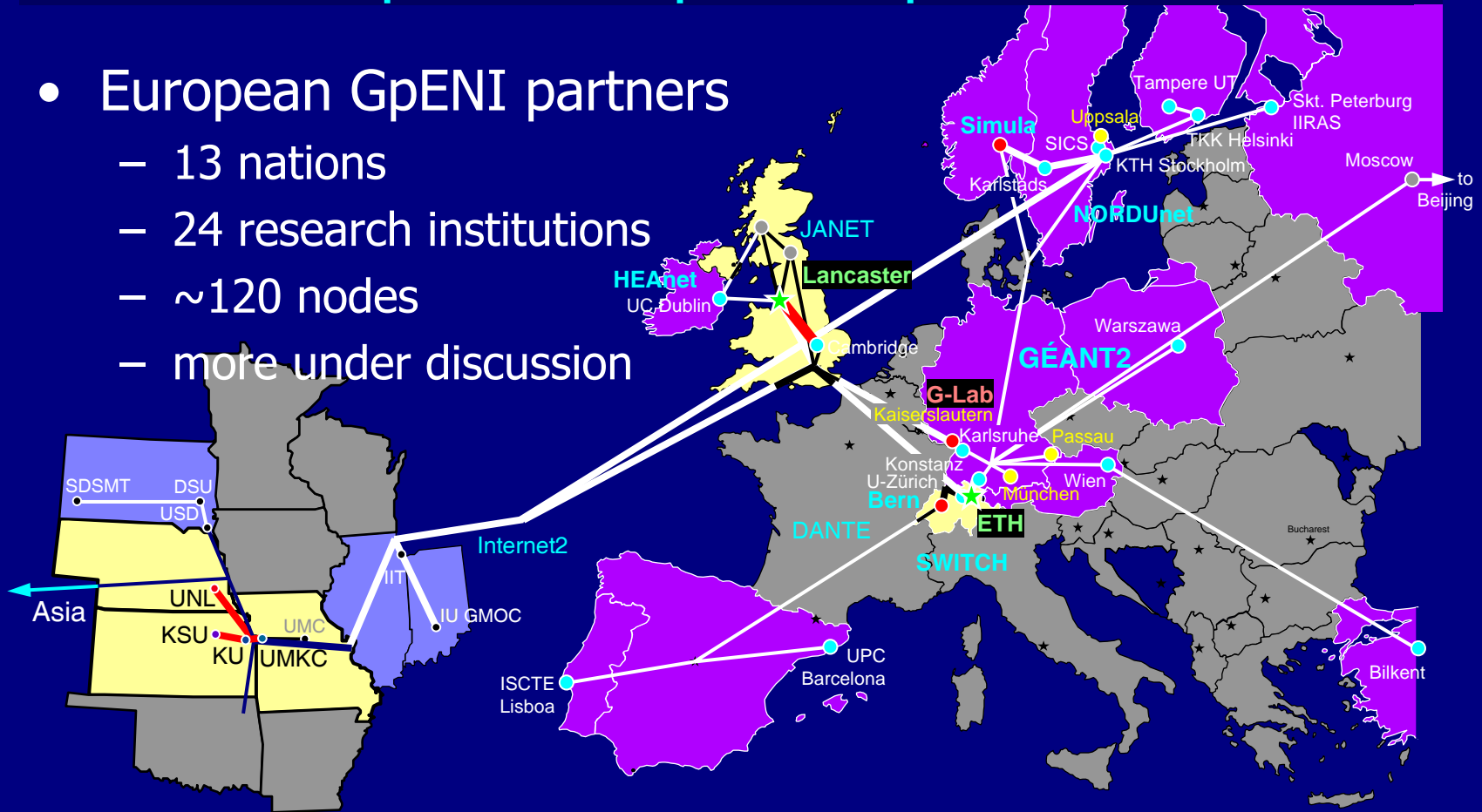
- Physical topology
 - multiwavelength optical backbone
 - current or imminent deployment
 - 4 universities in 3 states
 - 1 switch/year with current funding



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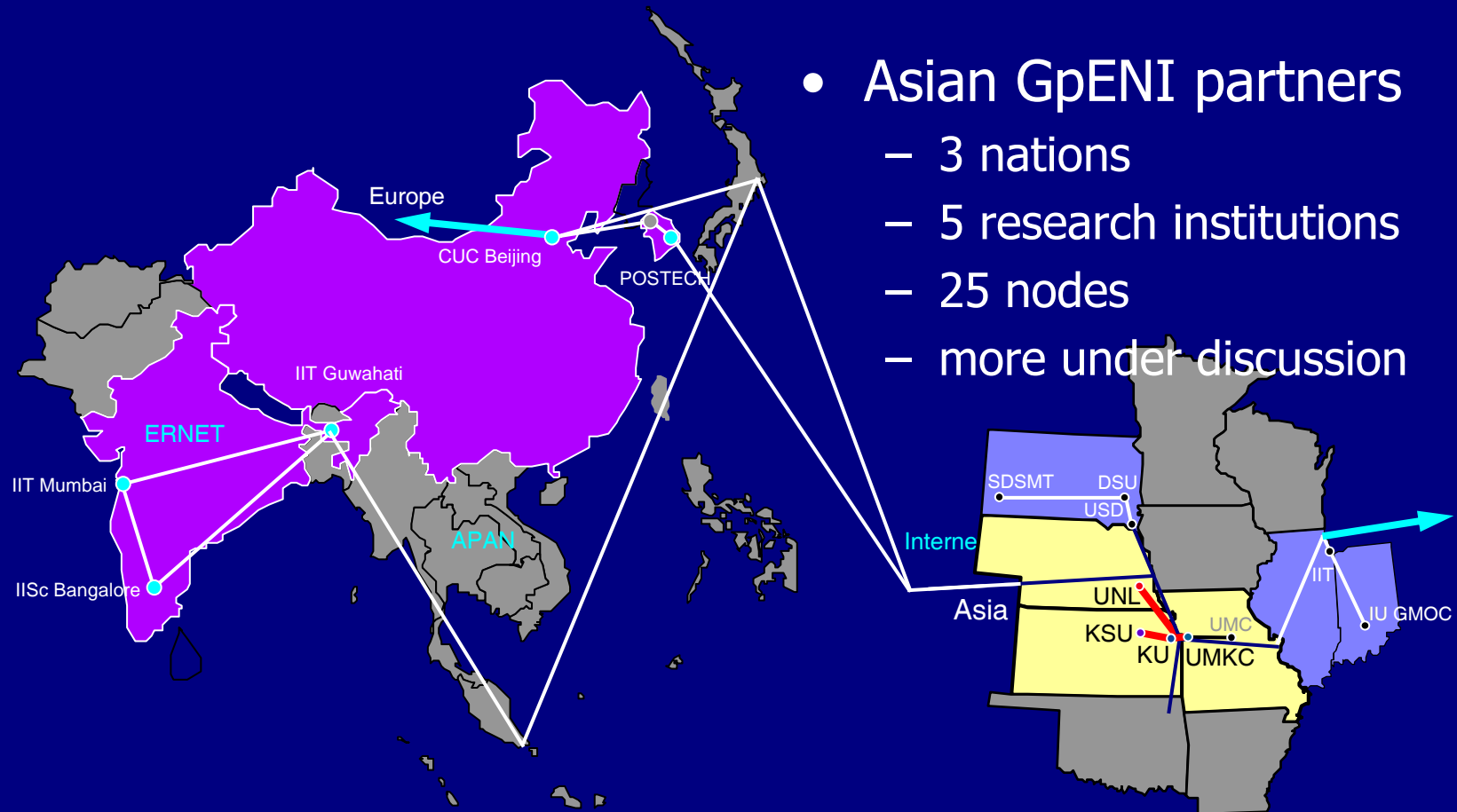
GpENI European Expansion

- European GpENI partners
 - 13 nations
 - 24 research institutions
 - ~120 nodes
 - more under discussion



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GpENI Asian Expansion



- Asian GpENI partners
 - 3 nations
 - 5 research institutions
 - 25 nodes
 - more under discussion

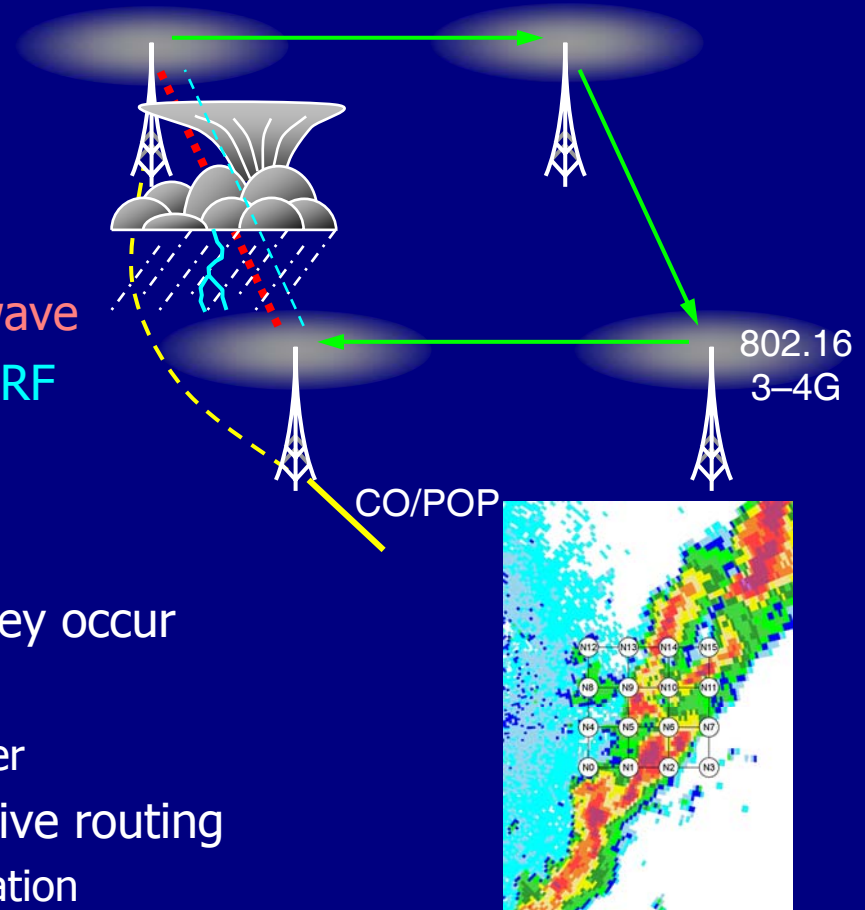
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Selected Project Examples

- Weather disruption-tolerant networking (Sterbenz)
- Highly-dynamic airborne networking (Sterbenz)
- Information security and privacy (Luo)
- SDRs and cognitive networking (Minden, Evans)
- Sensor networking (Frost)

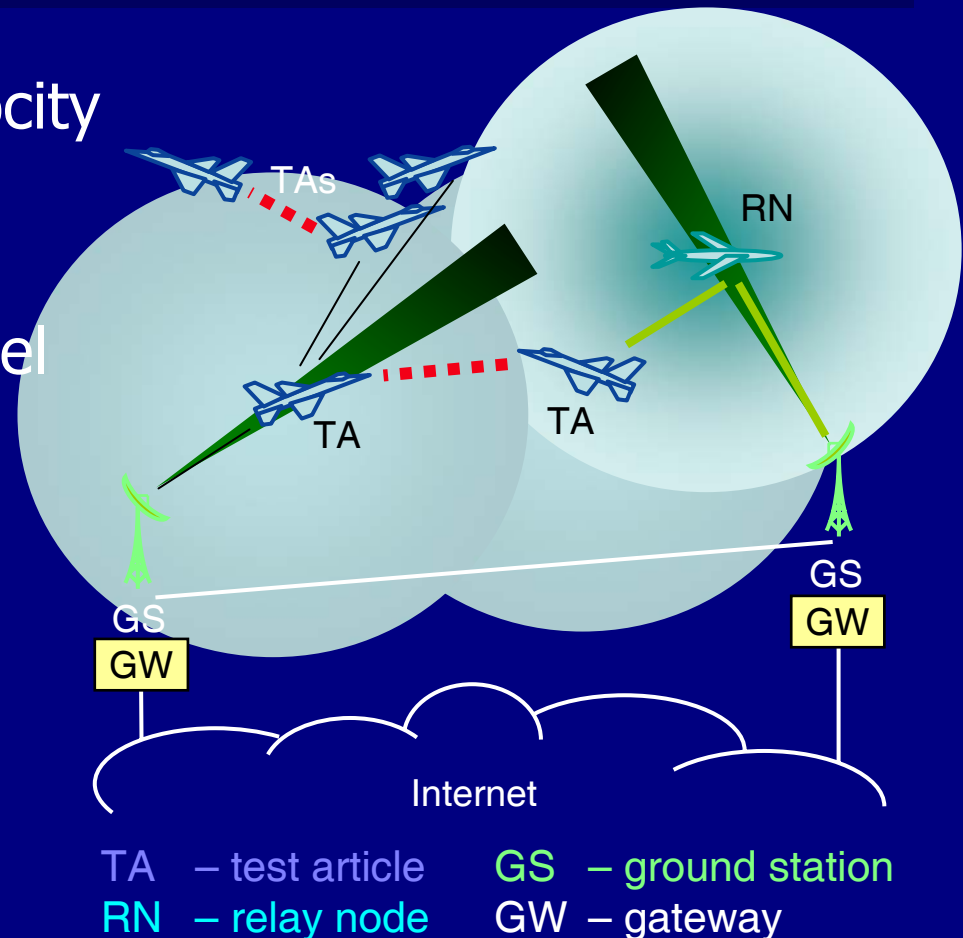
WDTN Project Overview

- Mesh architecture
 - high degree of connectivity
 - alternate diverse paths
 - severely attenuated mm wave
 - alternate mm, lower-freq. RF
 - fiber bypass (competitor)
- Solution [INFOCOM 2009]
 - reroute *before* link failures they occur
 - P-WARP predictive routing
 - image radar to predict weather
 - XL-OSPF instantaneously reactive routing
 - cross-layered with BER estimation



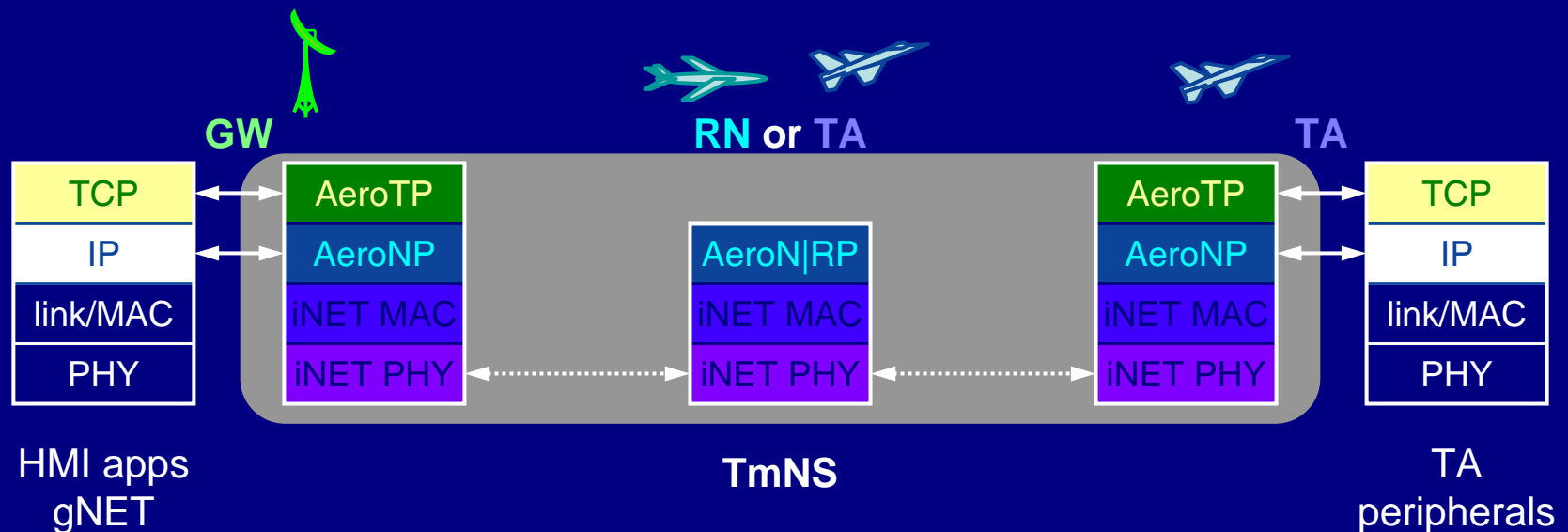
Airborne Networking Project Scenario

- Very high relative velocity
 - Mach 7 ≈ 10 s contact
 - dynamic topology
- Communication channel
 - limited spectrum
 - asymmetric links
 - data down omni
 - C&C up directional
- Multihop
 - among TAs
 - through relay nodes



Airborne Network Project

Protocol Stack and Interoperability



- **AeroTP**: TCP-friendly transport
- **AeroNP**: IP-compatible forwarding
- **AeroRP**: routing

[MILCOM 2008]

InfoSec and Privacy Projects

[Bo Luo PI]

- CAT: A node-failure-resilient anonymous communication protocol through commutative path hopping [INFOCOM 2010]
 - protect the identity/privacy of communication participants
 - group-based path probing & commutative path hopping: resilient to relay node failures
- Secure in-network operations for smart grids
 - in-network operations:
distribute operations (e.g. aggregation) into smart meters
 - Secure operations:
perform operations without revealing the data,
using applied crypto methods

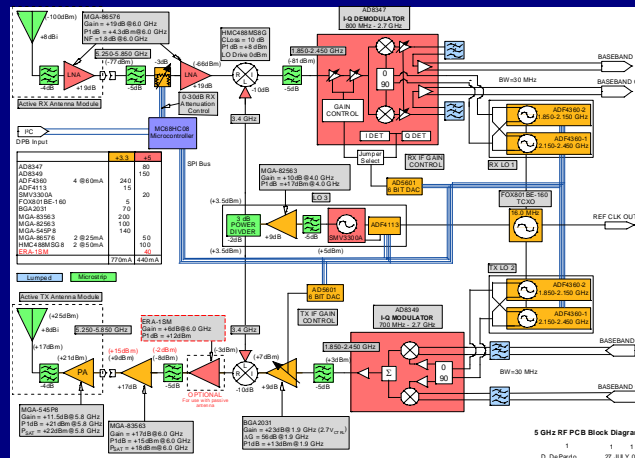
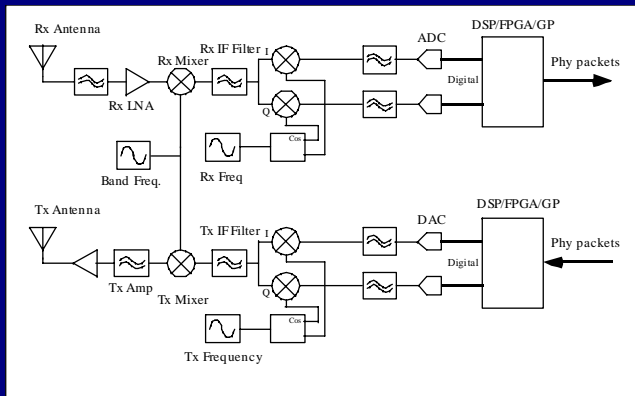
SDR and Cognitive Radio Projects

[Gary Minden and Joseph Evans PIs]

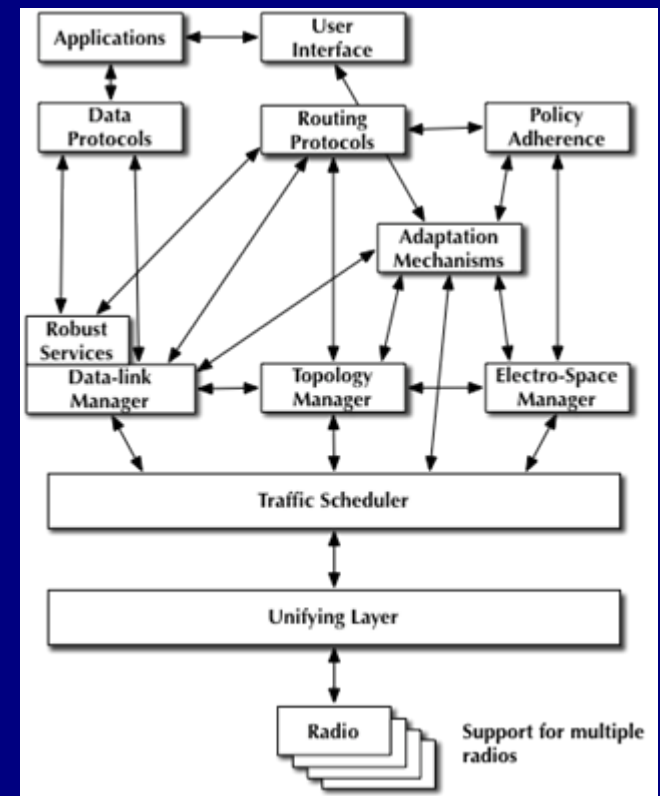
- KUAR: KU agile radio
 - experimental system: wireless networking & radio research
 - 5.8 GHz UNII band; independent 30MHz tx/rx signal paths,
 - signal processing is entirely in an FPGA and GPU
- Application
 - sharing radio frequency spectrum with multiple users
 - configure radio software for specific missions
 - adaptation to dynamic RF environment and other users
 - radio network control and resource management
- Cognitive networking
 - new dynamic routing algorithms exploiting SDR technologies

SDR and Cognitive Radio Projects

KUAR Diagrams



Software Organisation



Transportation Security SensorNet

[Victor Frost PI]

- Objective and problem
 - KC SmartPort is encouraging development
 - transport systems require
 - visibility, accountability, efficiency, security
- Transportation security approach
 - sensing, communications, and information integration
 - integrate sensor information and real-time tracking with... trade data documents to correlate
 - expand the ORNL SensorNet technologies
 - to mobile rail network environment



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Questions?