

*An Open Federated Laboratory Supporting Network
Research for the Future Internet*



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OneLab2 - Experimental Facilities for Future Internet Research

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Experimenter Demands

- **What experimenters want**
 - Proof a theory
 - Investigate a phenomenon
 - Compare own approach to others
- **Experiments should be**
 - Controllable
 - Repeatable
 - Comparable



Picture: http://www.seed.slb.com/en/scictr/watch/skydiving/galileo_pisa.htm

Experimenter Wish List

- **Possibility to control experiment and conditions**
 - Bring environment in a specific state
 - Allow range of changeable parameters
 - Observe parameters of interest
 - Fix variables which are not part of the investigation
 - Supervise boundary conditions and side effects (which sometimes are the real discovery!)



Experimenter Wish List

- **Possibilities for experiment observation**
 - Capture and store results and conditions
 - Provide standardized measurements
 - Provide flexible tools for different viewpoints
 - Ensure reliable observations
 - Provide accuracy statements
 - Provide reference data



Challenges

- **General Challenges**
 - Uncontrollable parameters (weather, physical effects,...)
 - Resource limitations for data capturing
 - Access to Data/Data Sharing
- **Specific Challenges with multiple experimenters using the same infrastructure**
 - Interference between experiments
 - Resource distribution
 - Access control

Future Internet Research

- **Broad range of approaches**
 - Evolutionary vs. Revolutionary
 - Different layers (optical, network, services)
 - Different key objectives (manageability, security, mobility)
 - Lacking assessment metrics
- **Different networks**
 - Different basis technology
 - Different structures (dynamic/static, operator-driven/free)
 - New disruptive concepts (e.g. AC, DTN, CDN,..)

→ Additional Challenges

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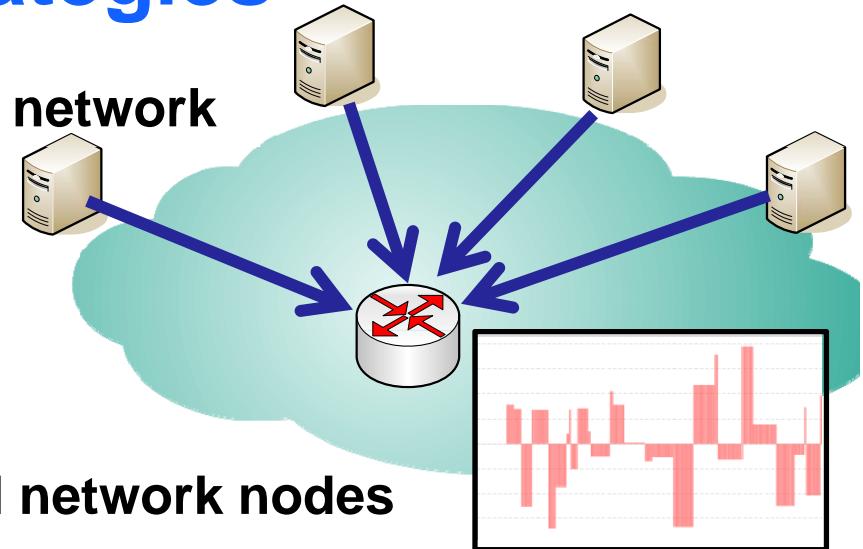
- **Operation and expansion of PlanetLab Europe**
 - Integration of variety networks (e.g. wireless, DTN, SAC)
 - Provisioning of tools for experimenters
- **Experiment Control**
 - Benchmarking to support reproducibility and comparability
 - Observation of variety of metrics
- **Support for classical and disruptive approaches**
 - Autonomic Communication
 - Delay Tolerant Networks
 - Large-scale data-centric networking (CDN, pub/sub,..)

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- **Provisioning of extensive and standardized measurements**
 - Measurements in wired and wireless environments
 - Active and passive Measurements
 - Resource management for measurement tasks
 - Controlled access to results
 - Topology discovery
 - Multipoint Packet Tracking
 - Data selection techniques
 - High accuracy timestamping
 - Standardization

Example: Collaboration Strategies

- **Goal: Protection against overload within network**
 - Legitimate users (flash crowds)
 - Unwanted traffic (attacks, etc.)
- **Challenge: Which traffic to filter?**
- **Approach: Collaboration of services and network nodes**
 - Server and network nodes provide valuation reports
 - Router analyzes valuation, decides about filter-rules
 - → least valuable traffic filtered
 - Based on FOKUS Node Collaboration System (NCS)
 - Demo at FIA Prag



Zseby, Kleis, Hirsch, *Self-Protecting Networks: How Cooperation Strategies Can Strengthen Network Security*, it+ti Themenheft „Next Generation Internet“, 2008.

Experiments in OneLab

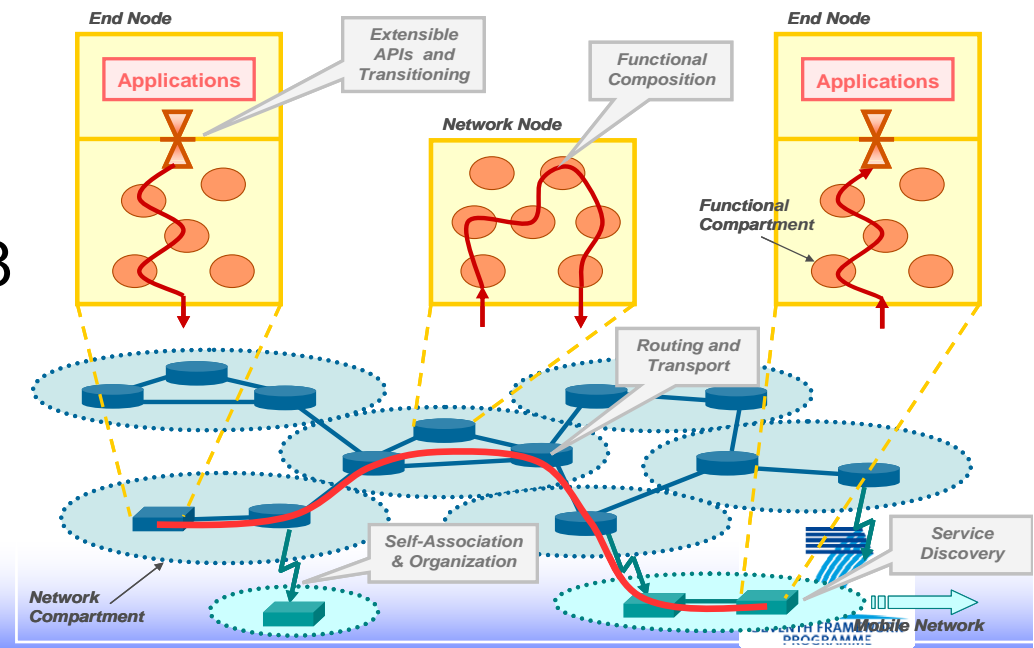
- **What we expect from testbed**
 - Scale (large number of servers, network nodes, reports)
 - Diversity (heterogeneous technologies, different services)
 - Realistic environment (delay, loss, failures)
 - Tools to set parameters and to observe results
- **What we want to investigate**
 - Performance of solution (rule setting and removal)
 - Overhead for collaboration → flow measurements
 - Influence of timing for valuation reports
 - Weighting strategies for valuation reports

Example: Autonomic Communication

- **Idea: Functional Composition**
 - On-Demand network stack
 - Composition of functions based on situation
 - Utilize all degrees of freedom to optimize

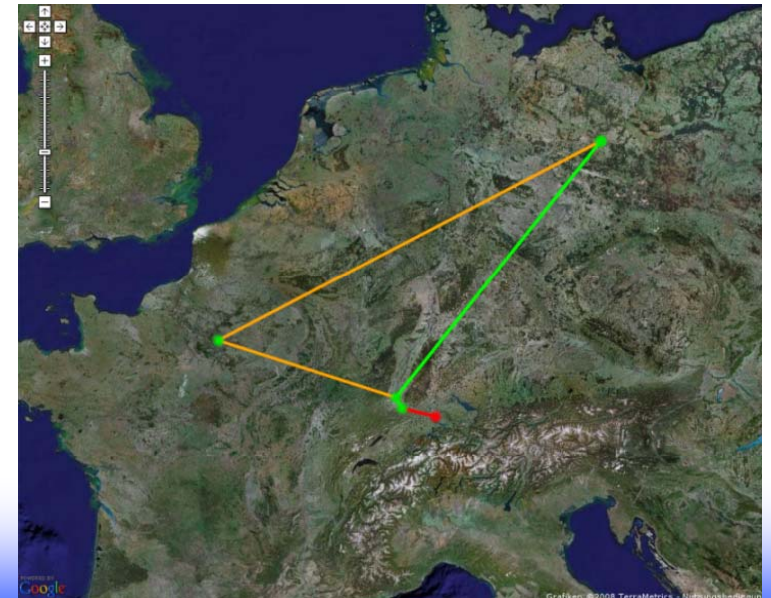
- **ANACore**

- AC prototype for FC
- Public release August 2008
- Runs parallel to traditional stack



SAC Support in onelab2

- **Establishment of playground for SAC research**
 - Experiments on SAC connectivity
 - Collaboration among SAC projects (ANA, HAGGLE)
- **Challenges**
 - Connection of SAC world with traditional IP
 - Monitoring in Non-IP Environment
- **OneLab provides**
 - Integration of SAC Testbed
 - Development of SAC gateway
 - Integration of Monitoring Bricks



Onelab2 is for You!

- **Onelab2 is support for Experimenters**
 - *Join PlanetLab Europe: http://www.planet-lab.eu/join_us*
- **Already addresses wide range of demands**
 - Benchmarking
 - Wireless
 - Data-centric networking
 - Autonomic Communication
 - ...
- **But there may be more**

→ *Tell us your experiment demands*

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Thank You!

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