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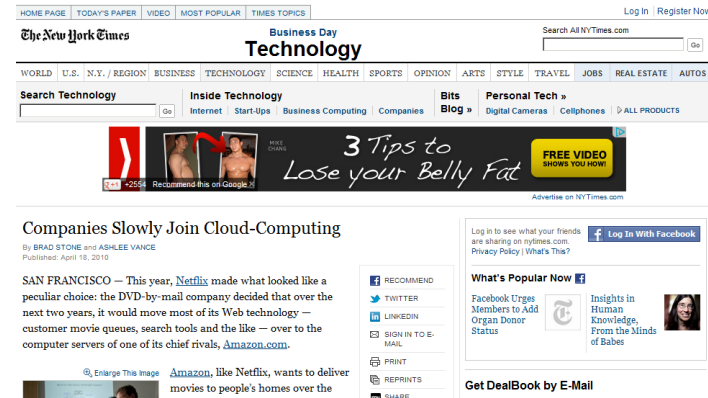
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Vision: Virtual Networking Cloud Resources.



**Cloud computing is a big success!
But what is the point of clouds if they cannot be accessed?**



Next Natural Step for Virtualization!

Success of Node Virtualization

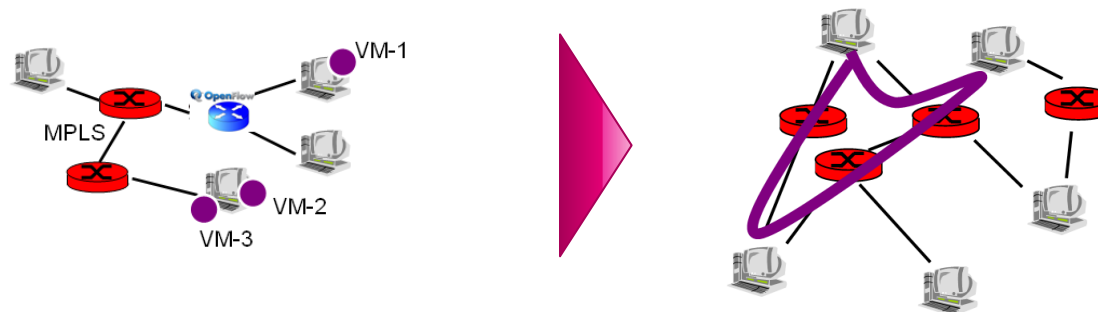
- a.k.a. end-host virtualization
- VMWare revamped server business
- OpenStack
- VM = flexible allocation, migration..
- «**Elastic computing**»

Trend of Link Virtualization

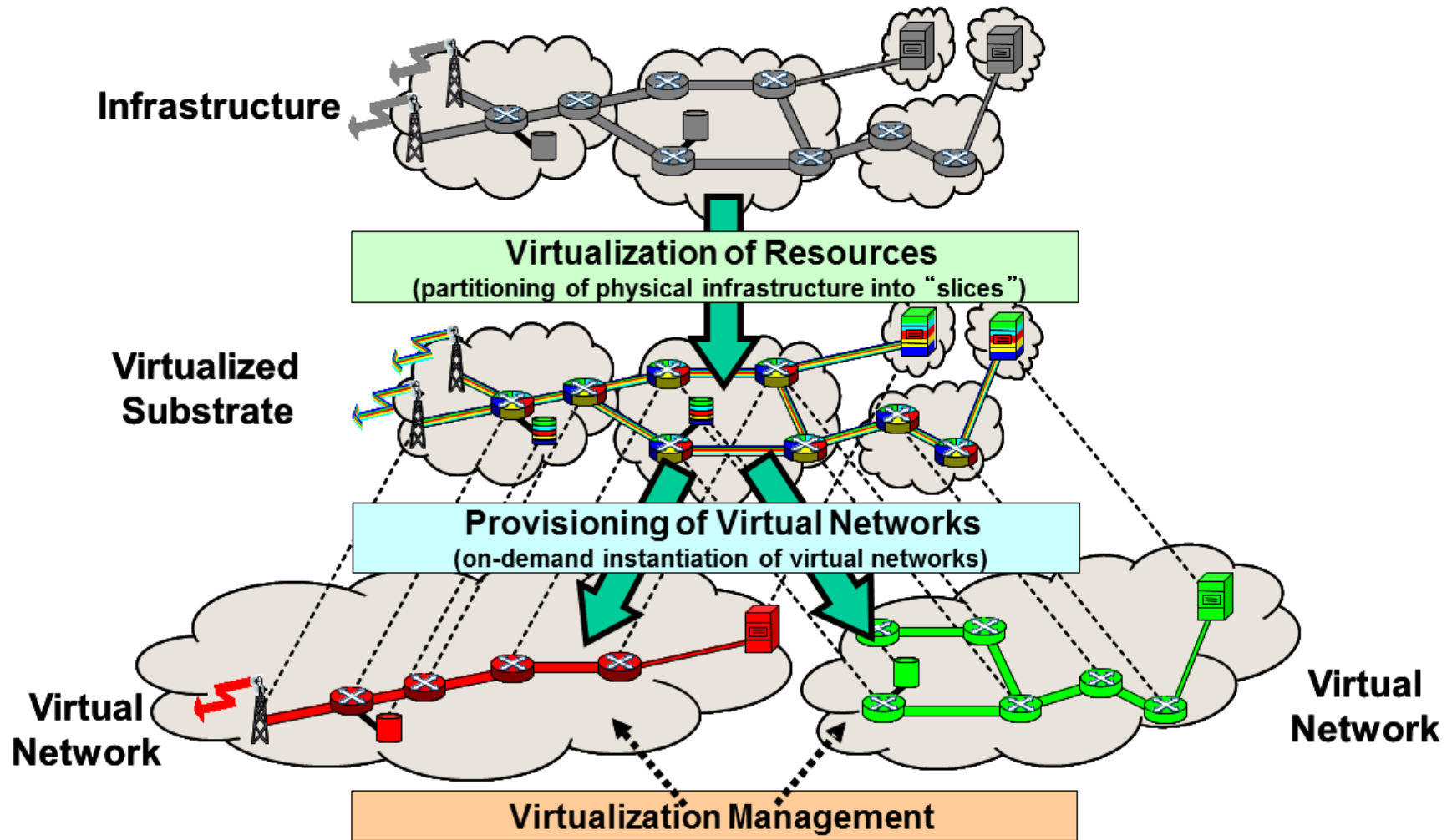
- MPLS, VPN networks, VLANs
- Software Defined Networks (SDN), OpenFlow, ...
- «The VMWare of the net»
- «**Elastic networking**»

Unified, fully virtualized networks: **CloudNets**

„Combine **networking** with heterogeneous **cloud resources** (e.g., storage, CPU, ...)!“

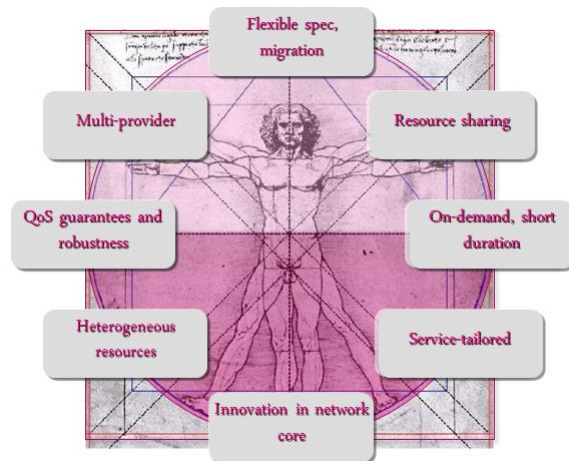
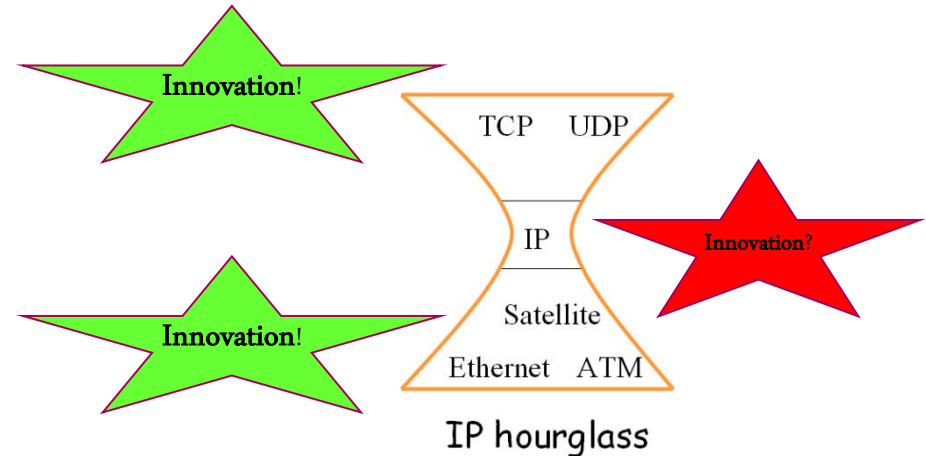


The Vision: Sharing Resources.



Today: Internet is one solution for everything!

CloudNets: Flexibly specifiable virtual networks, executing different **protocol stacks**, **cohabiting** the same substrate.



- Vision: **facilitate innovation** in network core
 - Make **network core programmable** (e.g., own intrusion detection system)
 - **Service-tailored** networks (for social networks, bulk data transfer, life streaming, etc.)
 - Co-existing **virtual networks** with QoS guarantees
 - No dependencies on IPv4, BGP, ...

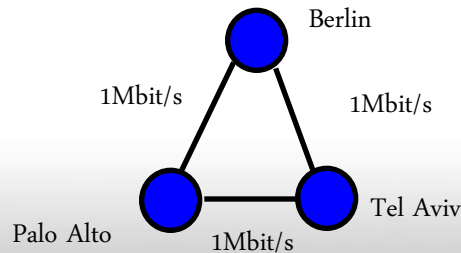


Requests with Flexible Specification.

Optimization and Migration?

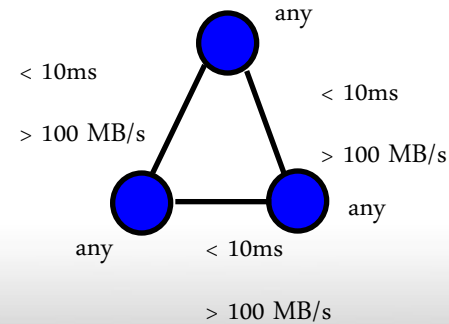
„VPN++“

Goal: Fully specified CloudNet mapping constraints (e.g., end-points for a **telco**), but with **QoS guarantees** (e.g., bandwidth) along links



„November 22,
1pm-2pm!“

Datacenters



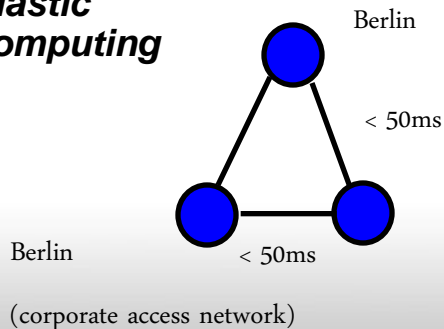
„Guaranteed
resources, job
deadlines met, no
overhead!“

“Network may
delay execution:
costly for per
hour priced VM!”

See, e.g., Octopus system (SIGCOMM 2011)

Spillover/Out-Sourcing

**Elastic
computing**

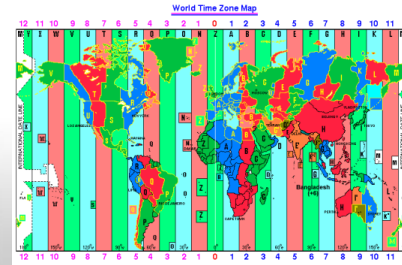


„50 TB storage, 10
Tflops computation!“

„any European
cloud provider
(e.g. due to
legal issues?)“

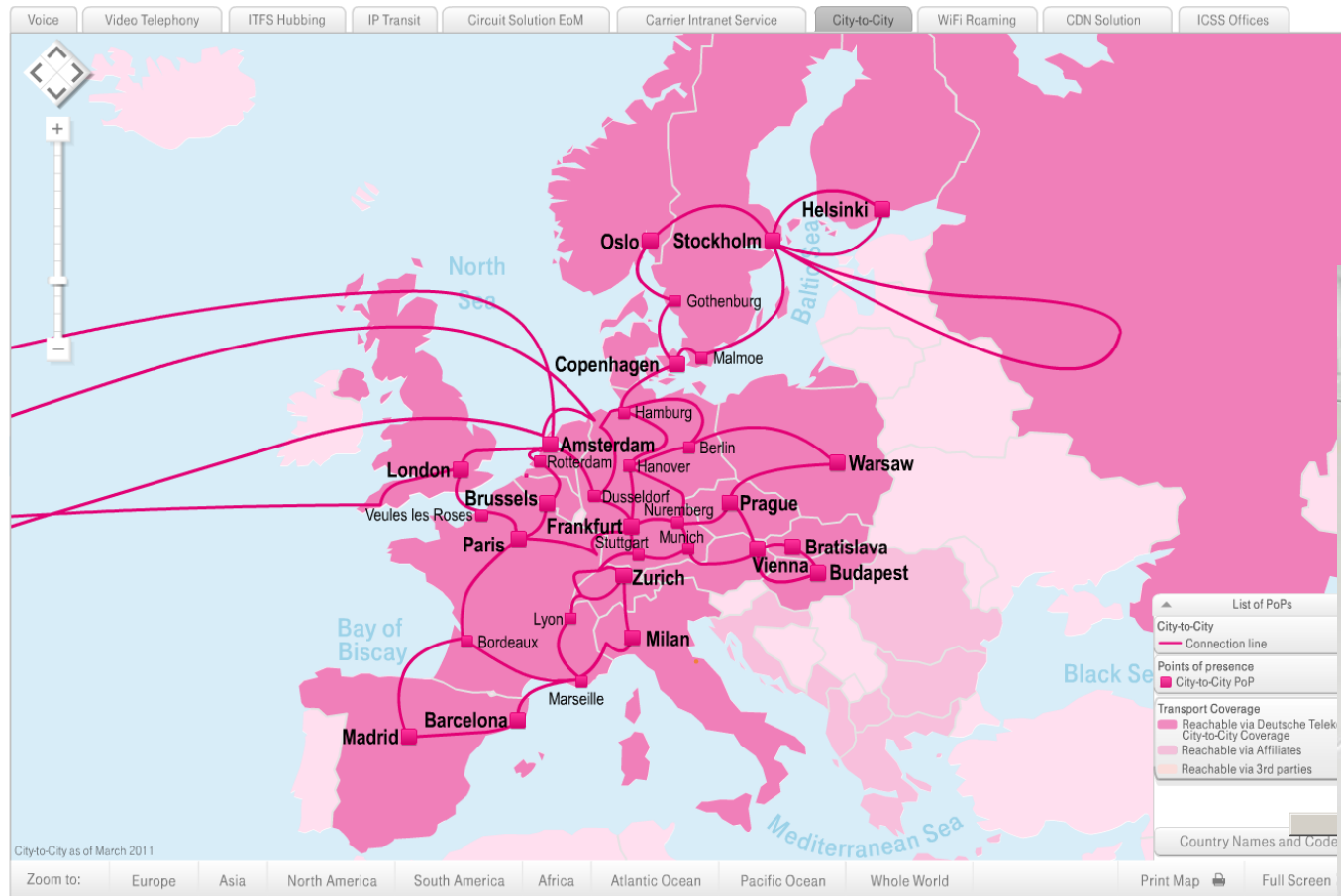
Migration / Service Deployment

Goal: Move with the sun, with the commuters, (QoS)
allow for **maintenance**, avoid roaming costs...: e.g.,
SAP/game/translator server, small CDN server...



Vision: Not only in data centers, but WAN

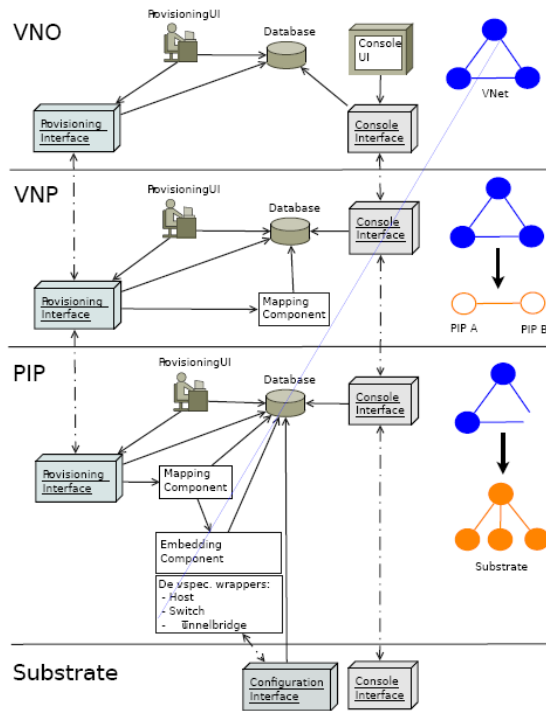
ISP network with resources at Points-of-Presence («nano datacenters»):
For service deployment!



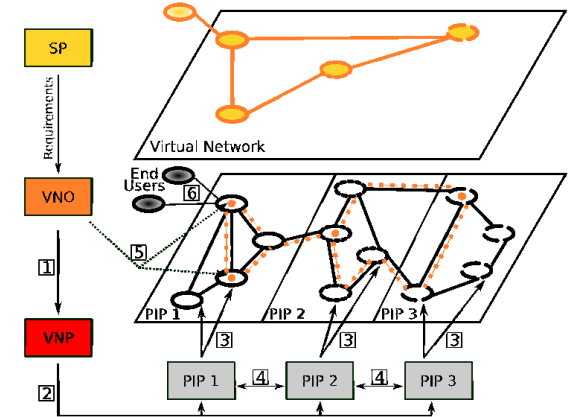
Opens New Business Roles.

Focus of our work architecture (unlike, e.g., single authority in GINI testbed), on **multitude of players**, providers, ...!
(Of course, cross-layer infos if all same company...)

Roles



- Service Provider (SP): uses CloudNets to offer its services (streaming, OSN, CDN, ...): e.g., **value-added application** CloudNet, or transport CloudNet
- Virtual Network Operator (VNO): Installs and **operates** CloudNet over topology provided by VNP, offers **tailored** connectivity service, triggers cross-provider migration (by setting requirements), ...
- Virtual Network Provider (VNP): „Broker“/reseller that assembles virtual resources from different PIPs to provide **virtual topology** (no need to know PIP, can be **recursive**, ...)
- Physical Infrastructure Provider (PIP): Owns and manages physical **infrastructure**



QoS from PIP up to VNO or service provider: accounting via complete **set of contracts!** (unlike „sending party pays“)

Federated CloudNet Architecture.

SIGCOMM VISA 2009

New Business Roles.



As in Internet today:
Netflix, Google, World
of Warcraft...

Roles in CloudNet Arch.

Service Provider (SP)

(offers services over the top)

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(operates CloudNet, Layer 3+, triggers migration)

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(resource broker, compiles resources)

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(resource and bit pipe provider)



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Telekom, AT&T, ...

+ resource control interface
(bootstrapping etc.)



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NETFLIX

Akamai

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swisscom

TELE
KOM
AUS
TRIA

Deutsche
Telekom

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Roles in CloudNet Arch.

knows

application

(offers application to the top)

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(operates CloudNet, Layer 3+, triggers migration)

Virtual Network Provider (VNP)

(resource broker, files resources)

Physical Infrastructure Provider (PIP)

knows network

(uses resources at
PoPs!)

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**Provide layer 2: assembles CloudNets,
resource and management interfaces,
provides indirection layer, across PIPs!**

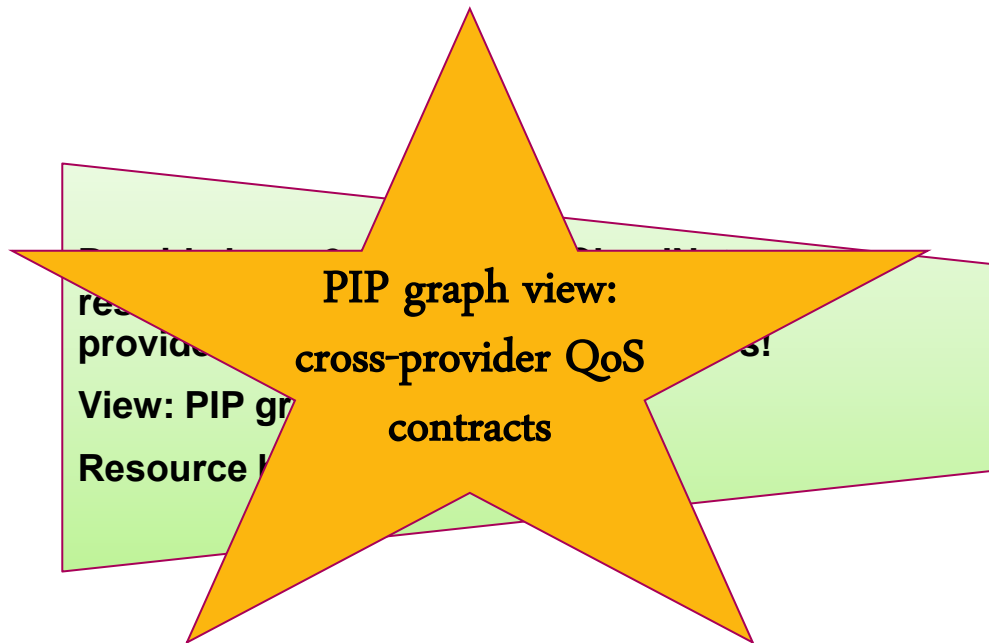
View: PIP graph

Resource broker... (recursive)

A virtualized infrastructure opens new roles for the allocation of resources and the operation of networks!



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Build upon layer 2 (op on virt IDs): clean slate!
(OSN, ...)

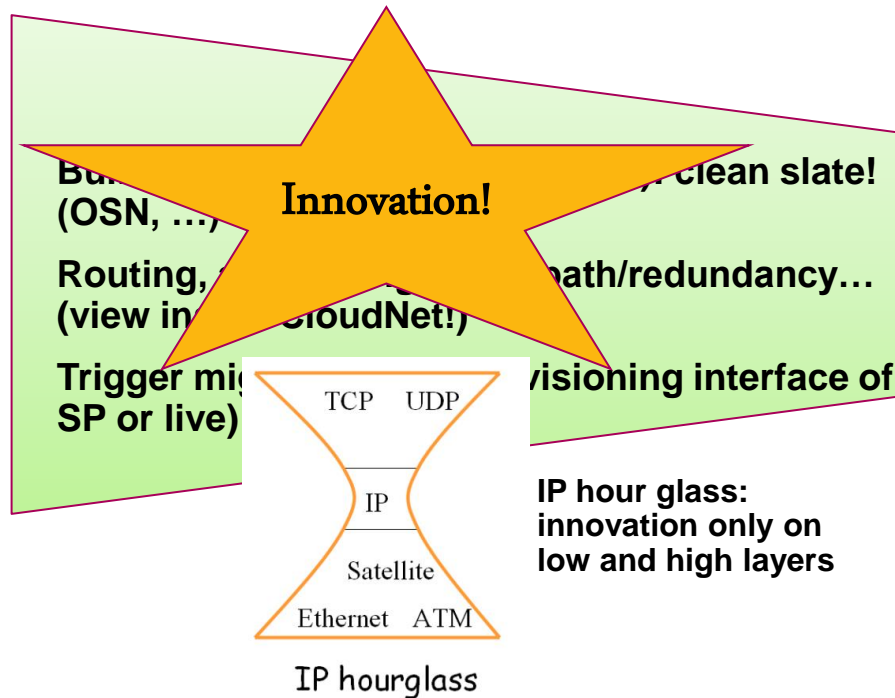
Routing, addressing, multi-path/redundancy...
(view inside CloudNet!)

Trigger migration (use provisioning interface of
SP or live)

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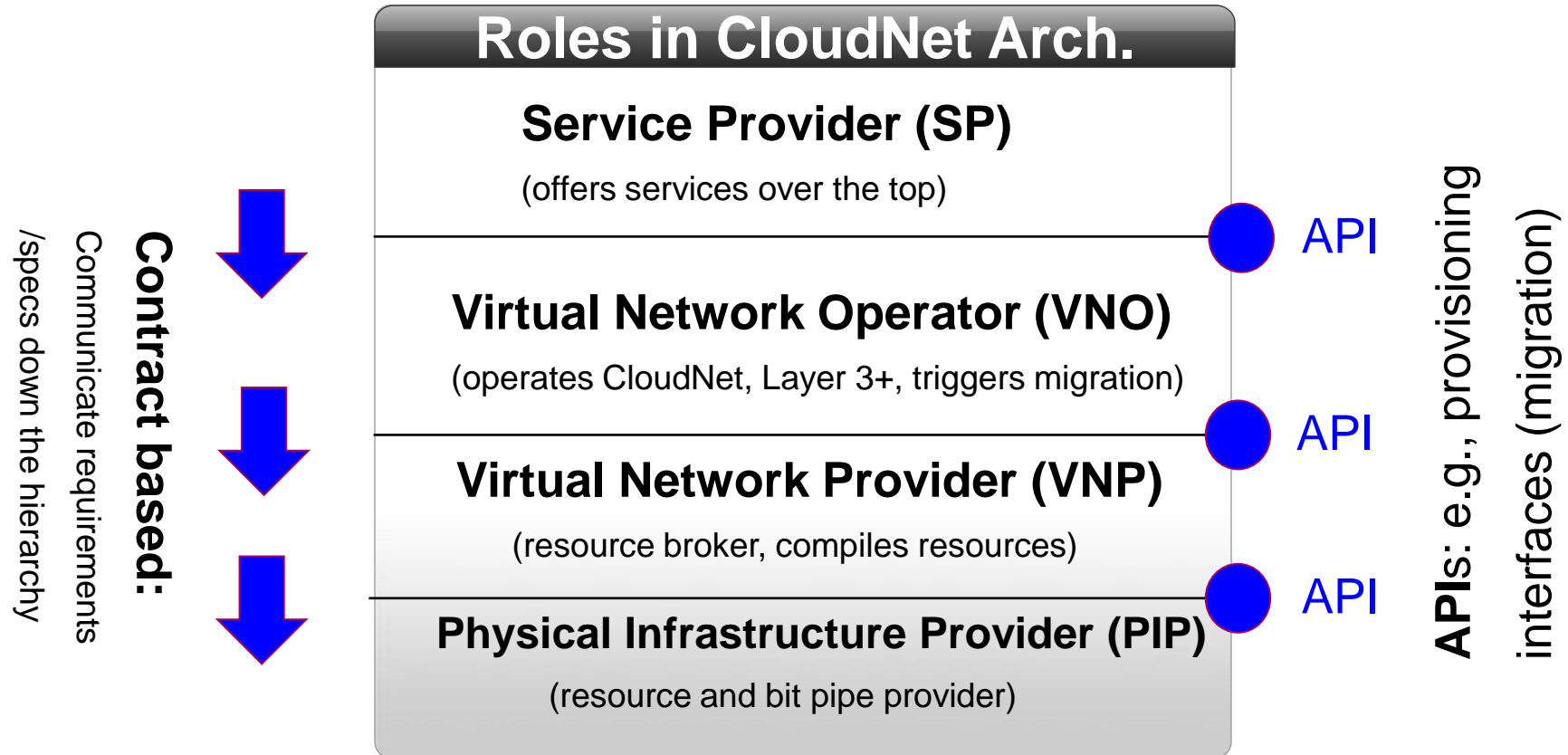
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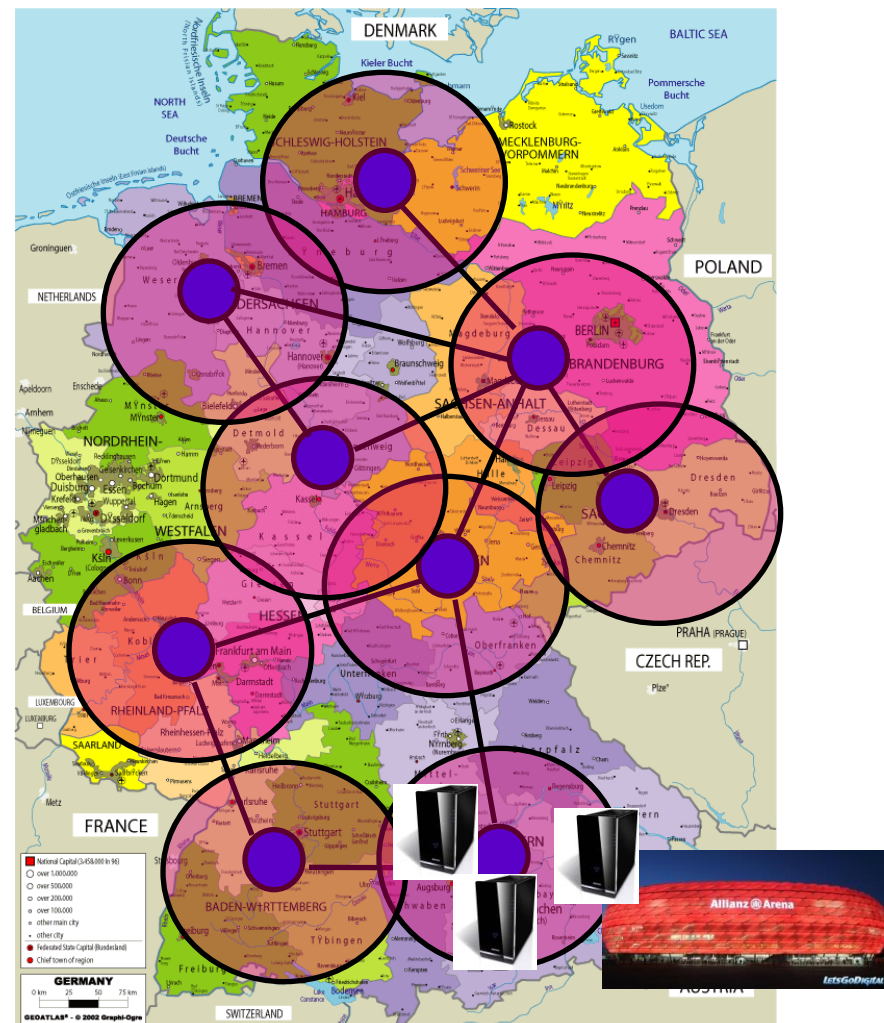
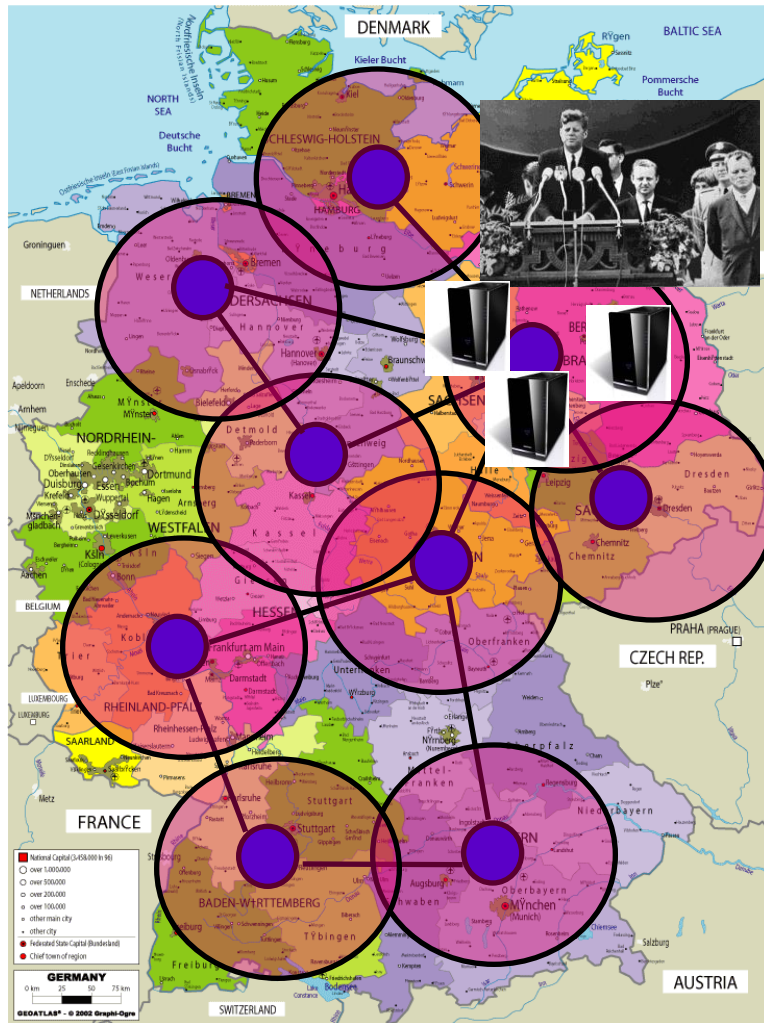
Roles: Zoom In.

- **Service Provider (SP):**
 - Netflix, Akamai, startup, ..
 - Specifies resources abstractly (latency, push content to customer...)
 - If services migratable: offer provisioning interface (API that VNO can call)
- **Virtual Network Operator (VNO):**
 - Implements layer 3 on top of VNP layer 2: addressing, routing, ...
 - Decides how to realize SP specification: use redundant physical paths => additional specs
 - To fulfill specs, calls API of SP to migrate (if application migratable), or makes live migration itself (not to violate specs)
 - Clean slate architecture possible!
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Use Cases (1): Migrate Resources.

Resource allocation and migration where needed (energy saving otherwise!).



Use Cases (2).

Connecting Providers (Geographic Footprint).

CloudNet 1: Computation

Specification:

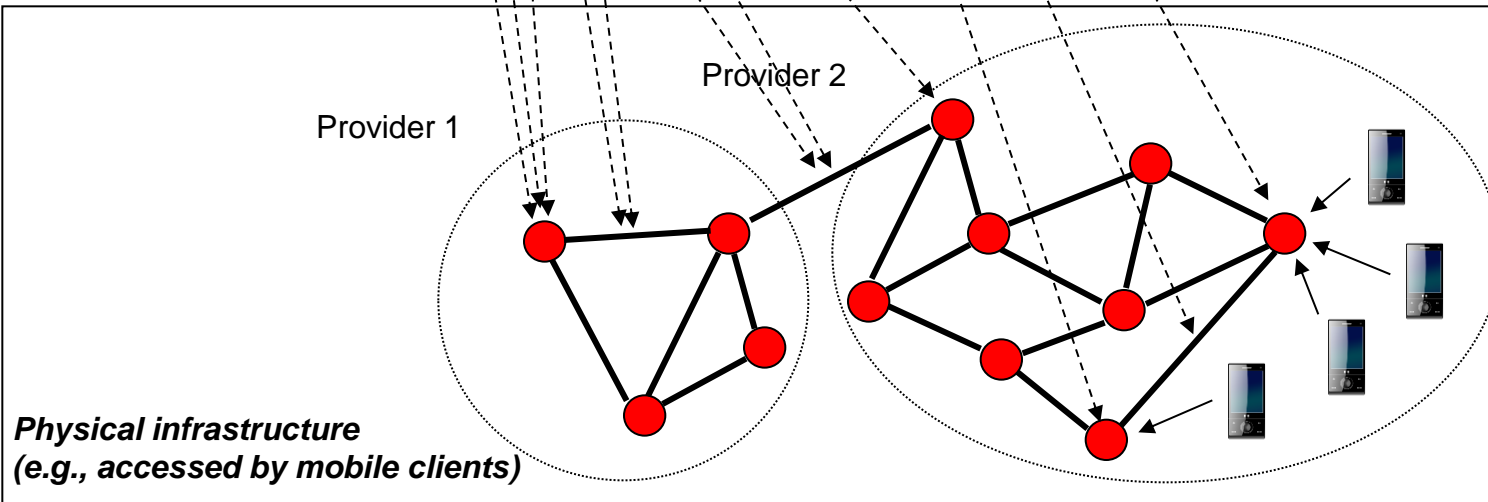
1. > 1 GFLOPS per node
2. Monday 3pm-5pm
3. multi provider ok

CloudNet requests

CloudNet 2: Mobile service w/ QoS

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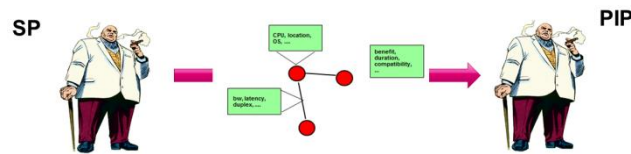
1. close to mobile clients
2. >100 kbit/s bandwidth for synchronization



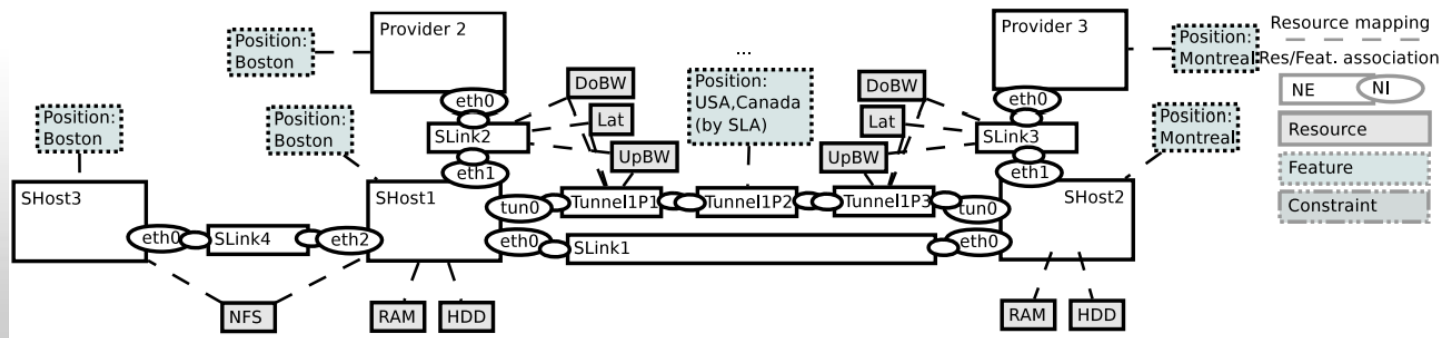
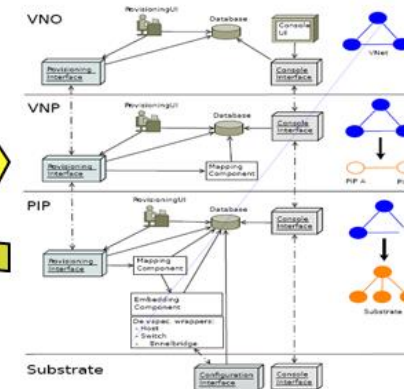
Flexible Specification

How to store and communicate CloudNets?

- Specify without losing flexibility
- Communicate non-topological requirements: consistency across multiple roles?
- Allow for aggregation and abstraction



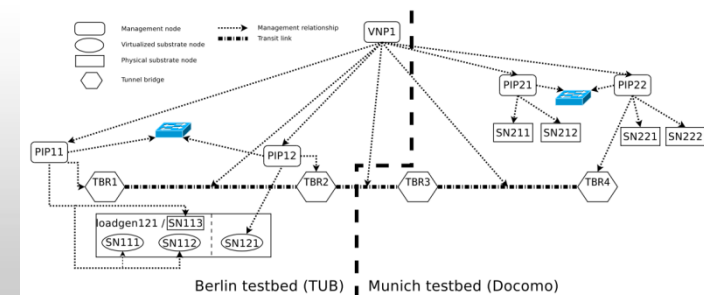
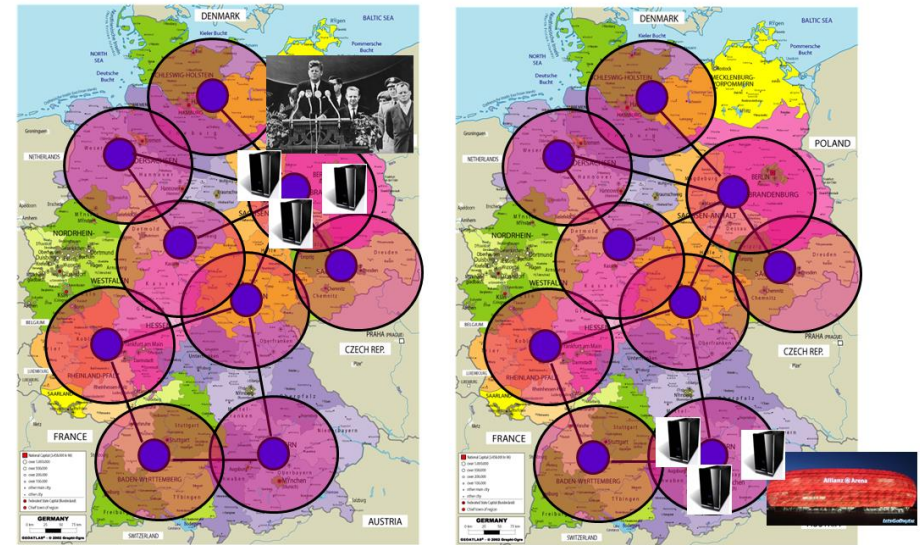
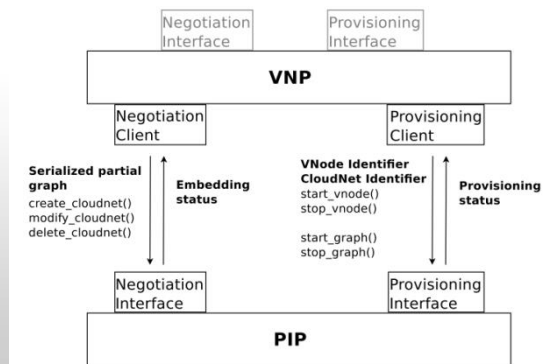
aggregate
resources



Prototype

Plugin architecture

- Own cloud operating system
- Currently: VLAN based, but OpenFlow plugin started
- Provisioning interfaces, negotiation interfaces
- PIP and VNP role implemented
- Seamless migration, e.g., of streaming service
- Wide-area: OpenVPN tunnels
- Wide-area testbed: Munich (NTT Docomo) and Berlin

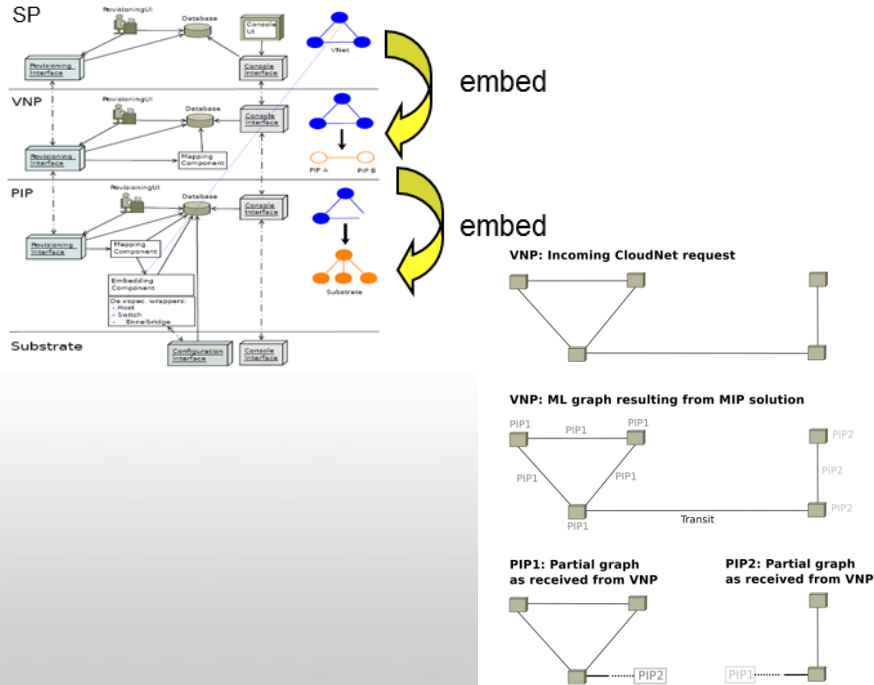


Research Overview.

Embedding

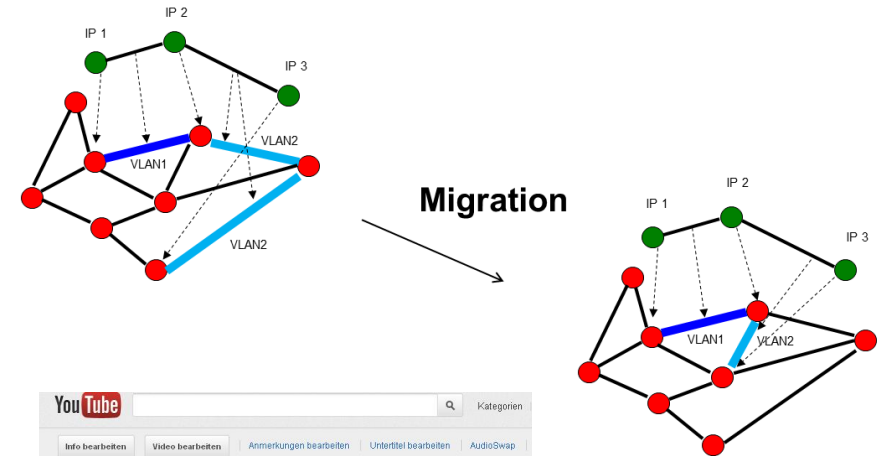
Two steps:

- Quick heuristic (spec => greedy)
- Optimizing “long-lived” or “heavy hitter” CloudNets only (mixed integer program)



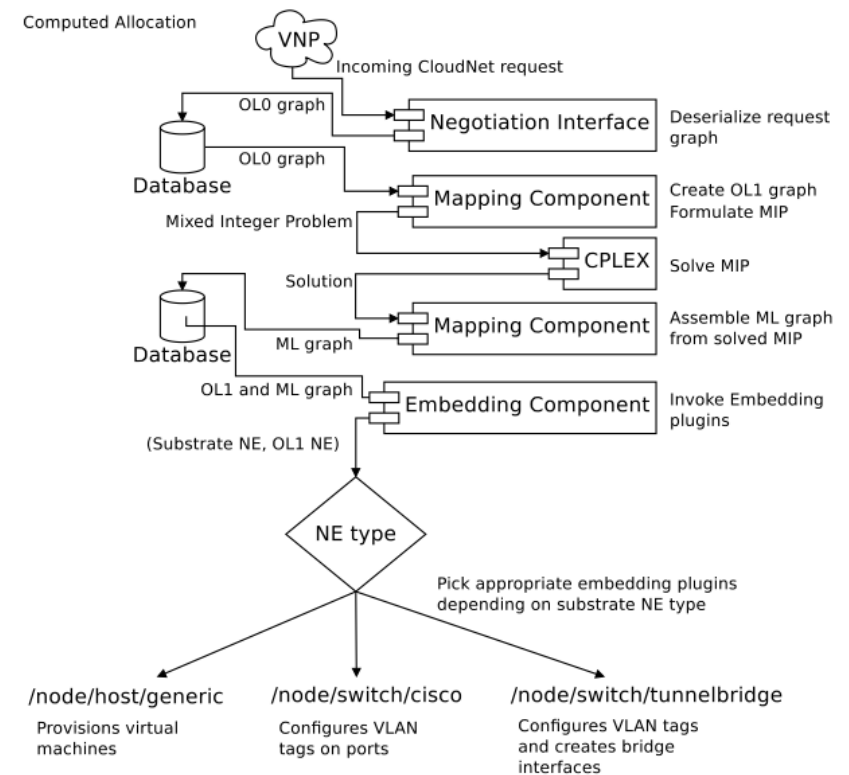
Migration

E.g., move VM by reconfiguring VLANs



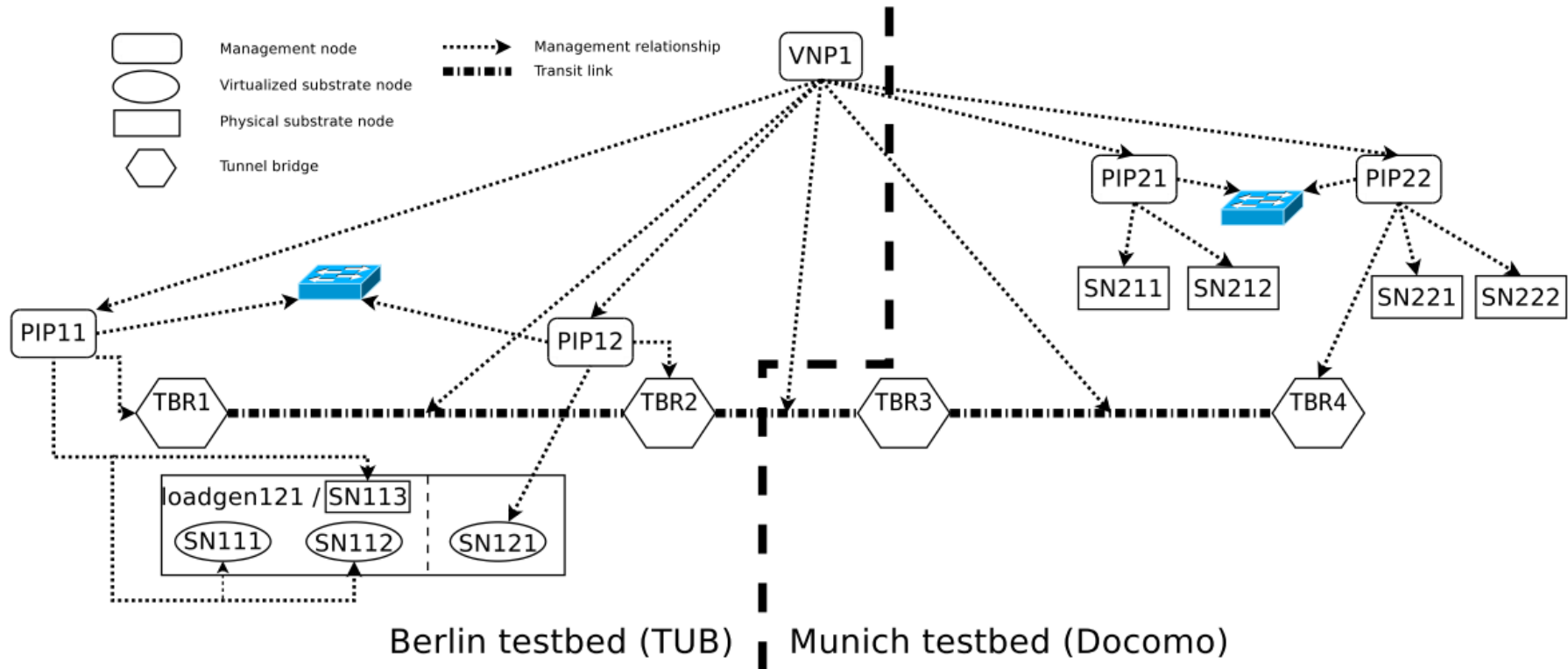
Architecture / Anatomy of Prototype.

- **Plugin based**
 - VLink technology (VLAN, OpenFlow, MPLS, ...)
 - Embedding algorithm (two stage!)
 - **Cloud operating system**
- **Prototype: proof-of-concept (flexibility&generality rather than speed)**
 - VLink plugin: **VLANs** (VPN tunnel for WAN)
 - Embedding: MIP
 - Cloud OS: own implementation
- **Plan: other plugins, OpenStack, ...**



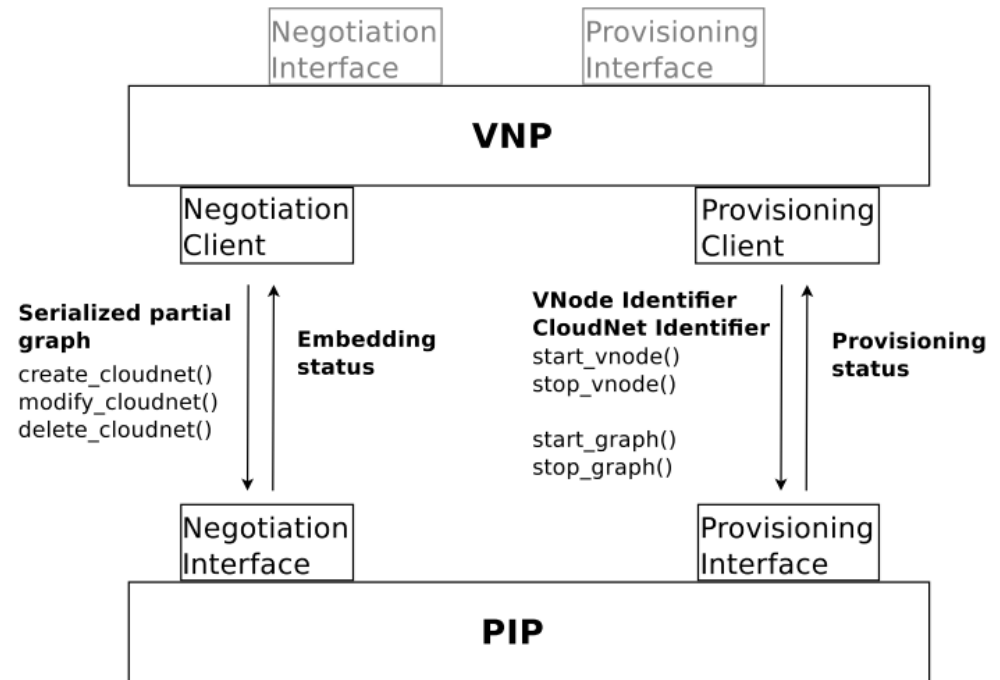
Testbed.

Two sites: TU Berlin and NTT Docomo Eurolabs Munich

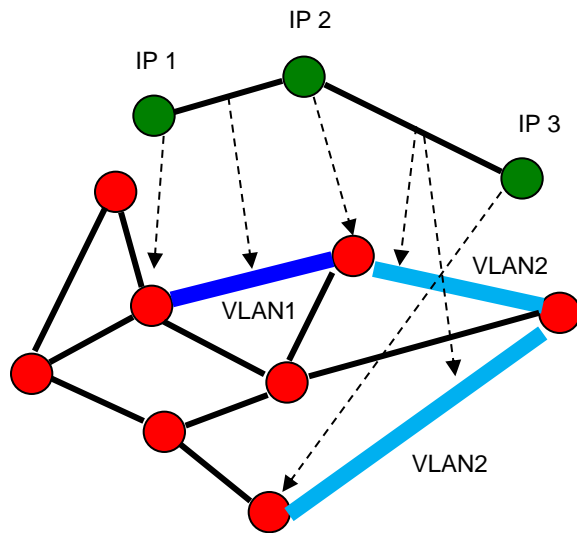


State of the Art

- Prototype based on KVM+Xen (nodes) and VLANs (links)
- Layer 2 conform: no need for **end-to-end** / routing (routing inside CloudNet only)
- Different VNets may have same internal virtual node addresses
 - VLAN ensures isolation
- PIP and VNP implemented

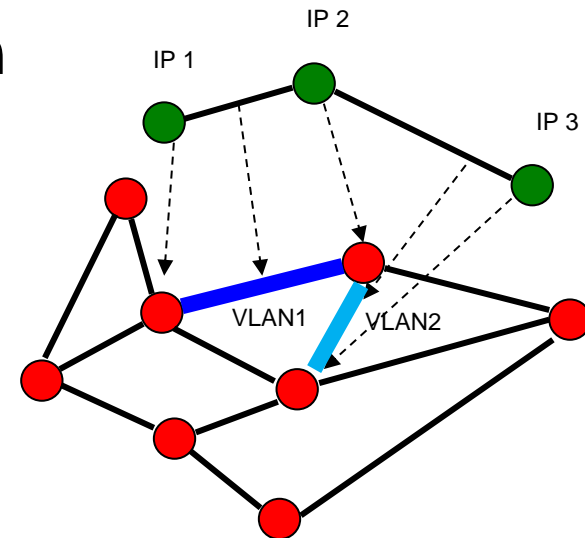


The Prototype (2).



Migration

- Each virtual link is a VLAN (broadcast domain)
- Migration: reconfigure VLANs, not addresses of virtual nodes!
- Transparent for users...



- Open vSwitch supports VLAN bridging
- Demultiplexing eth1 plus VLAN-tag to port in kernel
- To VM looks like Ethernet (no VLAN)

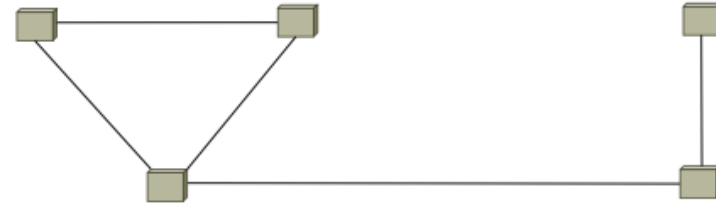


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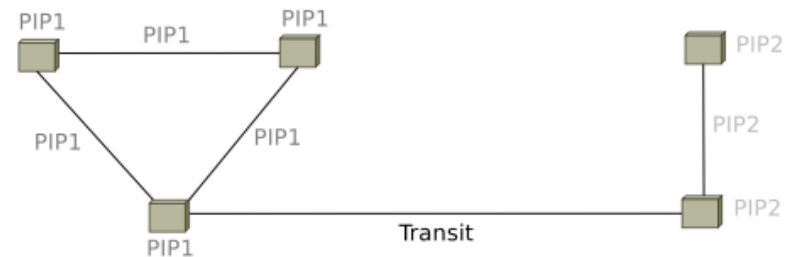
Life of a CloudNet request:

- Topology broken down for PIPs
- Transit link (tunnel bridge and OpenVPN)
 - One VPN tunnel for control plane
 - One VPN tunnel for data plane
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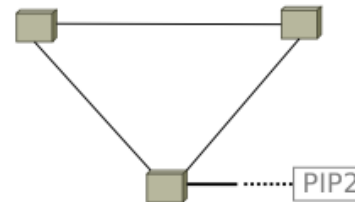
VNP: Incoming CloudNet request



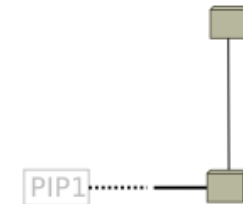
VNP: ML graph resulting from MIP solution



PIP1: Partial graph as received from VNP



PIP2: Partial graph as received from VNP

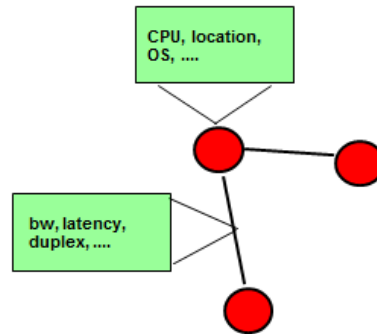


Need for a Language.

ICCCN 2012

- **Communicate** CloudNets, substrate resources and embeddings to business partners or customers:

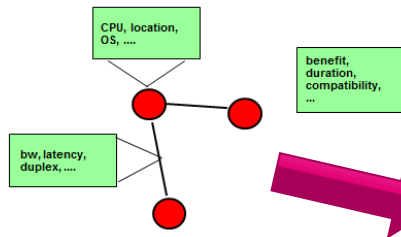
SP



benefit,
duration,
compatibility,
...



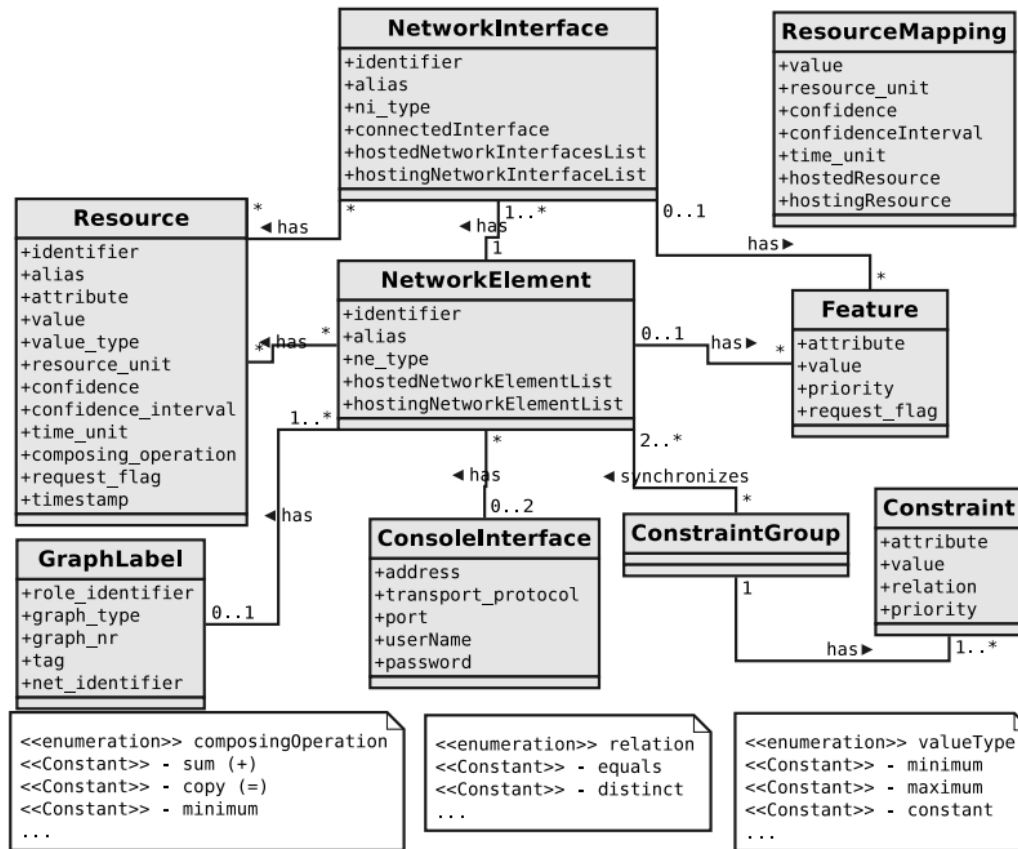
PIP



- **Store** embedding state internally:



Exploiting Flexibilities: Resource Description Language.

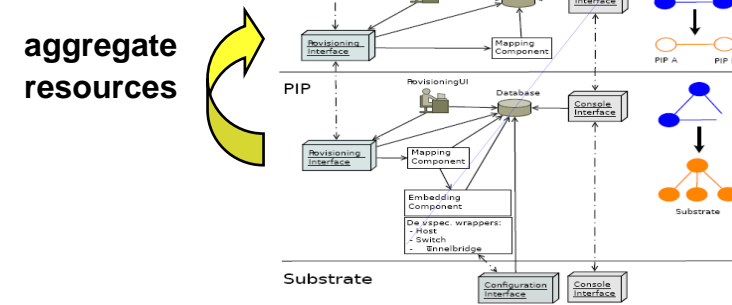
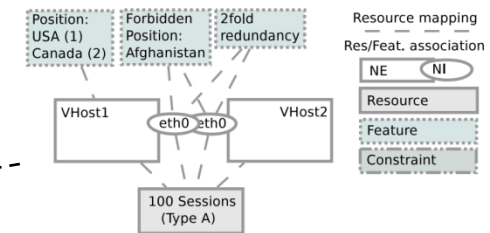
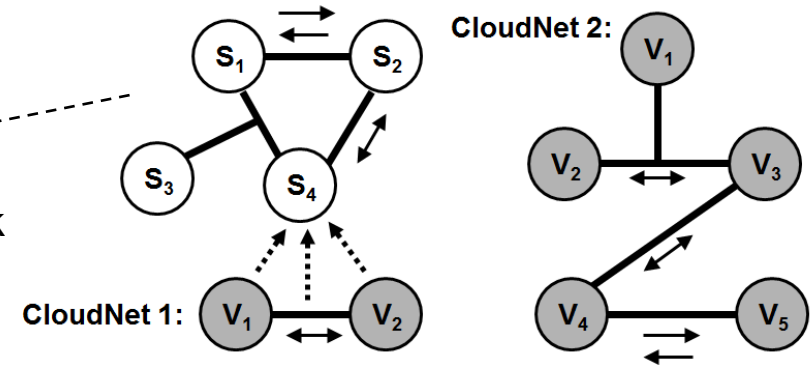


- Network Elements = nodes or links!
 - Connected via Network Interfaces
- Support for omission
- Support for multicast links
- Support for white and black lists...



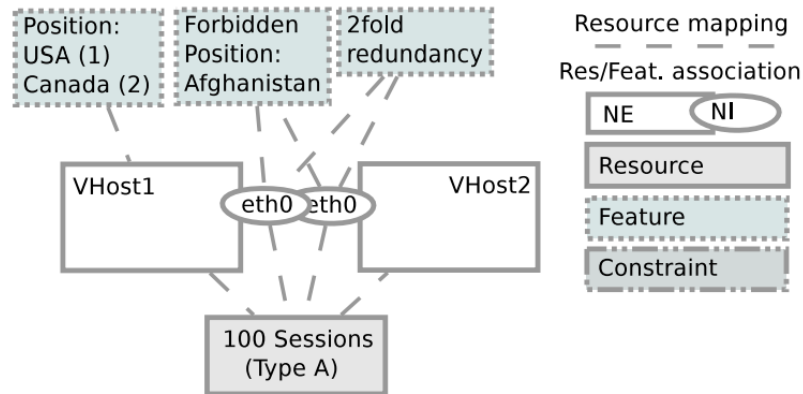
FleRD Requirements.

- Support all kinds of node (storage, computation, ...) and link (latency, bw, full-duplex/asymmetric, ...) resources (**heterogeneity**)
- Extensible, allow for **syntactic changes** over time, no need for **global agreement** on semantic values
- Facilitate resource leasing and allow PIPs to open **abstract views** on their substrate
- Allow for **vagueness and omission**: customers are unlikely to specify each CloudNet detail (e.g., KVM or Xen is fine, outsource to any European cloud provider): this opens ways for optimization (**exploiting flexibilities**)!
- Allow for **aggregation** of resources (**business secret?**)
- Non-topological requirements (e.g., wordsize compatibility)



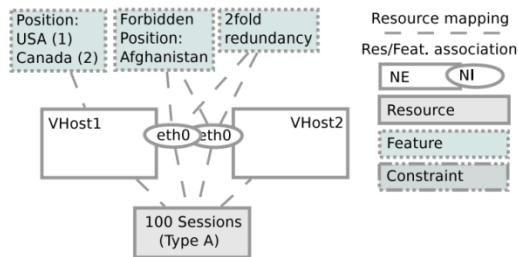
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Use Case: Web Service

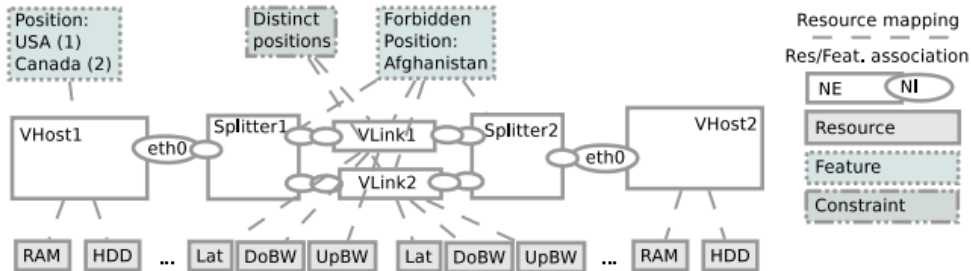


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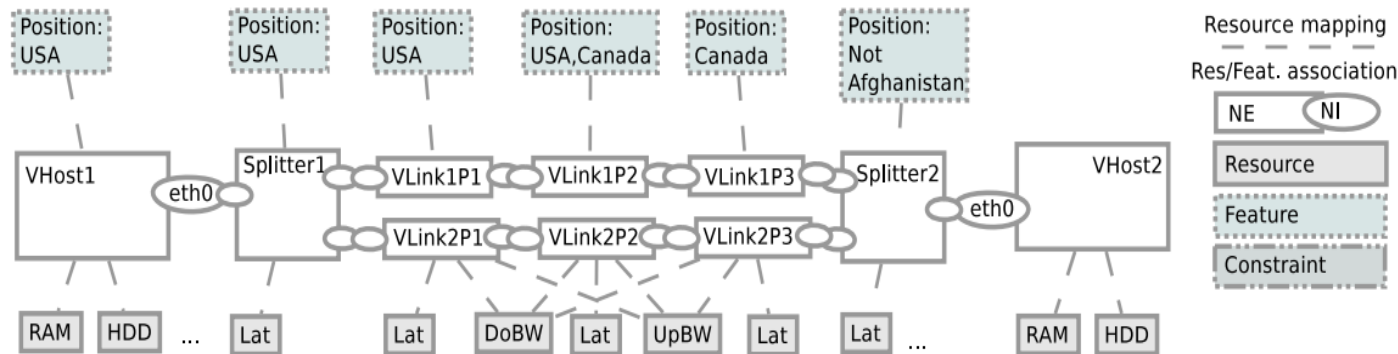
Web Service / Overlay 0:



Overlay 1: with splitters, two virtual links...

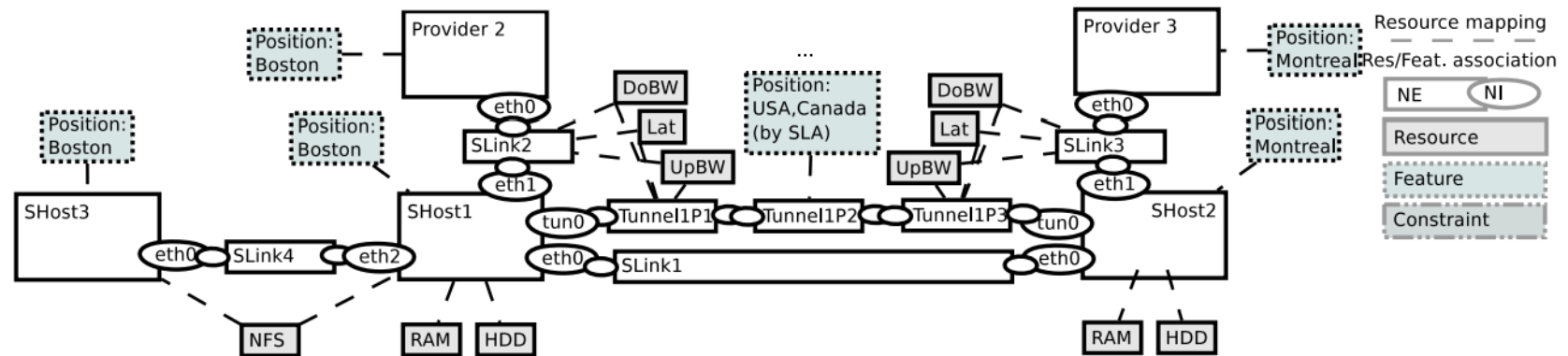


Mapping Layer: an virtual element per substrate element (n:m mapping)

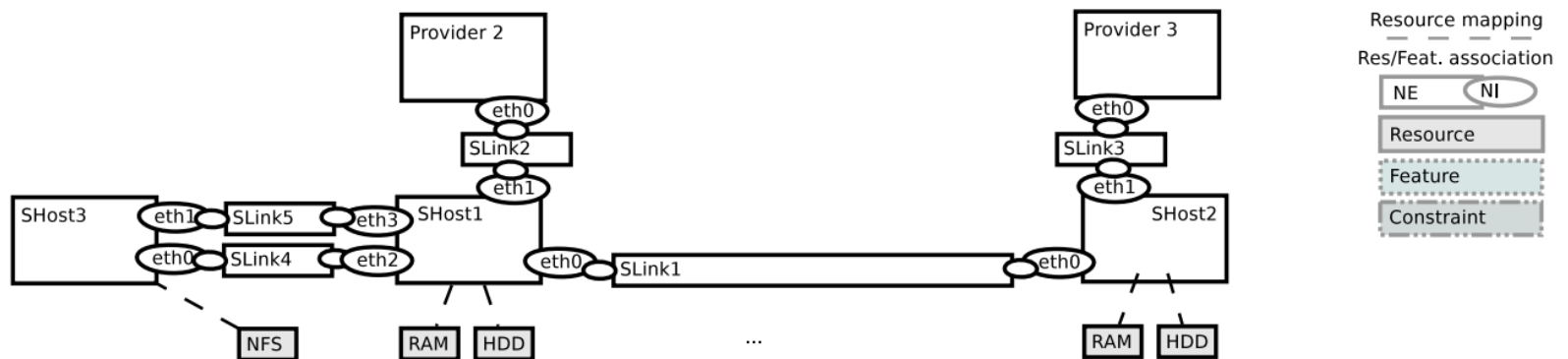


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Underlay 1: all-provider view (splitter once collocated and once separate)



Underlay 0: provider 1 view (NFS at SHost3)

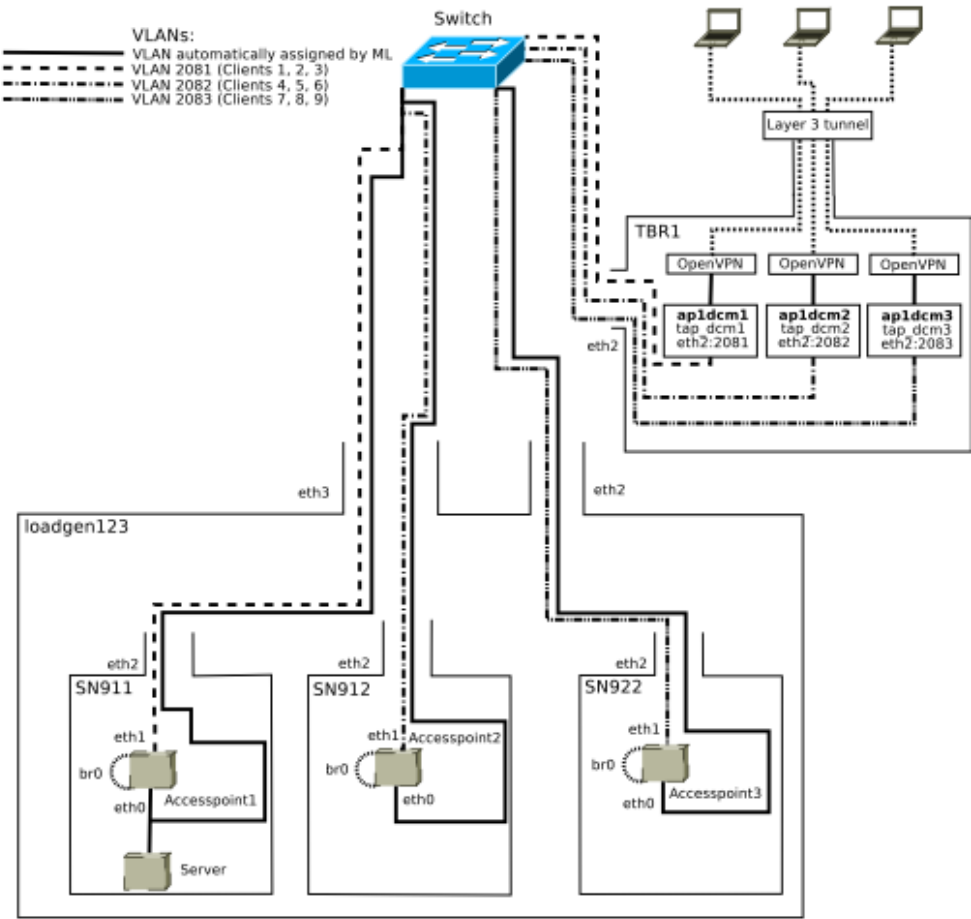


Demo.

YouTube Migration Demo



<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lljce0F1zHQ>

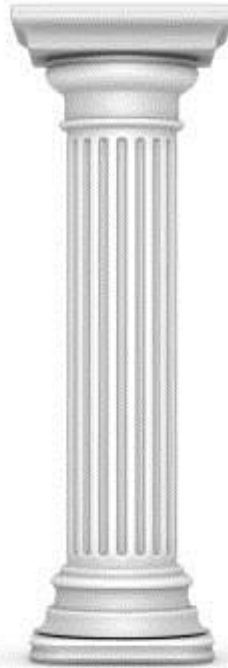


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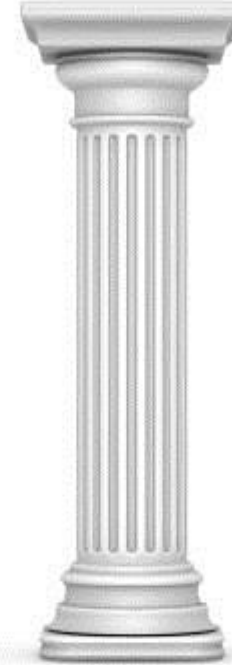
**Access Control
and Embedding**



Service Migration



Security Issues

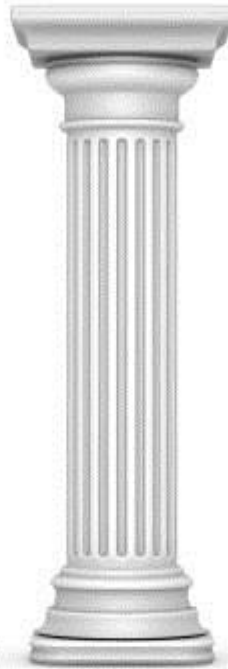


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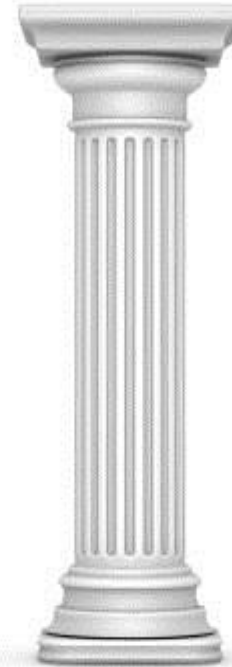
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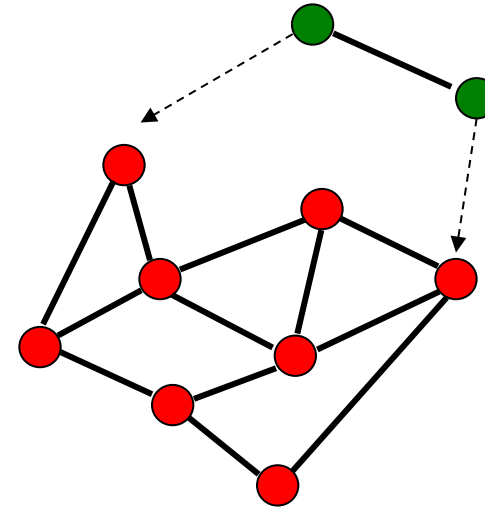
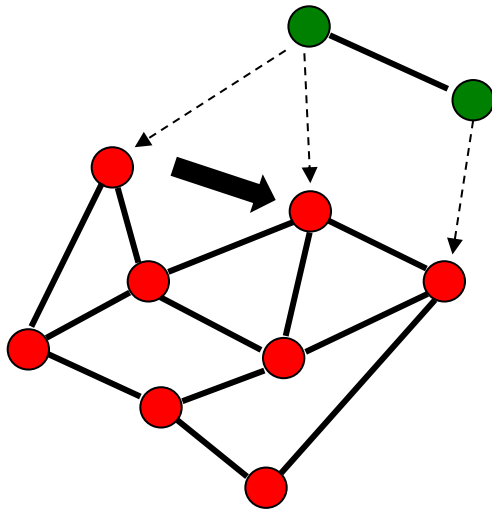
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How to Embed CloudNets Efficiently?

Computationally hard...
Our 2-stage approach:

Stage 1: Map **quickly** and heuristically
(dedicated resources)



Stage 2: **Migrate** long-lived CloudNets
to «better» locations (min max load, max
free resources, ...)

Typically: **heavy-tailed** durations, so old
CloudNets will stay longer!



General Mathematical Program (MIP)

Nodes:

$\text{map_node: } \sum_{v \in NE_S} \text{new}(u, v) = 1 \quad \forall u \in NE_{VN}$
 $\text{set_new: } \text{alloc}_{rs}(u, v, rv) \leq \text{cap}_{rs}(v) \text{new}(u, v) \quad \forall u \in NE_{VN}, v \in NE_S, rv \in R_V, rs \in R_S$
 $\text{req_min: } \text{alloc}_{rv}(u, v) \geq \text{new}(u, v) \text{req}(u, rv, s) \quad \forall u \in NE_{VN}, rv \in R_V, rs \in R_S, s = \text{minimum}$
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 $\text{req_con: } \text{alloc}_{rv}(u, v) = \text{new}(u, v) \text{req}(u, rv, s) \quad \forall u \in NE_{VN}, rv \in R_V, rs \in R_S, s = \text{constant}$

Mapping:

$\text{relate_V: } \text{alloc}_{rv}(u, v) \geq \min_{rv \in R_V} \text{alloc}_{rs}(u, v, rv) \cdot \text{new}(u, v) \quad \forall u \in NE_V, v \in NE_S, rv \in R_V$
 $\text{allowed: } \text{suit}(u, v) \geq \text{new}(u, v) \quad \forall u \in NE_V, v \in NE_S$
 $\text{ne_capacity: } \sum_{u \in NE_V} \sum_{rv \in R_V} \text{alloc}_{rs}(u, v, rv) \leq \text{cap}_{rs}(v) \quad \forall v \in NE_S, rs \in R_S$
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 $\text{load: } \text{weight}_{rs} / \text{cap}(rs) \cdot \sum_{v \in NE_S} \sum_{u \in NE_V} \sum_{rv \in R_V} \text{alloc}_{rs}(u, v, rv) \leq \text{load}(rs) \quad \forall rs \in R_S$
 $\text{max_load: } \text{load}(rs) \leq \text{max_load} \quad \forall rs \in R_S$

Resource-Variable Relation:

$\text{resource: } \sum_{rs \in R_S} \text{prop}(rv, rs) \text{alloc}_{rs}(u, v, rv) = \text{alloc}_{rv}(u, v) \quad \forall u \in NE_V, v \in NE_S, rv \in R_V$
 $\text{flow_res: } \sum_{rs \in R_S} \text{prop}(rv, rs) \text{flow}_{rs}(f, v, w, rv) = \text{flow}_{rv}(f, v, w) \quad \forall f \in Fl(u), (v, w) \in NE_S^2, rv \in R_f, \forall u \in NE_{VL}$

Links:

$\text{map_link: } \sum_{v \in NE_S} \text{new}(u, v) \geq 1 \quad \forall u \in NE_{VL}$
 $\text{map_flow: } \text{new}(f, v) \leq \text{new}(u, v) \quad \forall f \in Fl(u), v \in NE_S, \forall u \in NE_{VL}$
 $\text{map_src: } \text{new}(f, v) \geq \text{new}(q_f, v) \quad \forall f \in Fl(u), v \in NE_S, q_f \text{ source of } f; \forall u \in NE_{VL}$
 $\text{map_sink: } \text{new}(f, v) \geq \text{new}(d_f, v) \quad \forall f \in Fl(u), v \in NE_S, d_f \text{ sink of } f; \forall u \in NE_{VL}$
 $\text{req_min: } \sum_{w \in NE_S} (\text{flow}_{rv}(f, v, w) - \text{flow}_{rv}(f, w, v)) \geq \text{new}(q_f, v) \text{req}(u, rv, s) - \text{new}(d_f, v) \infty$
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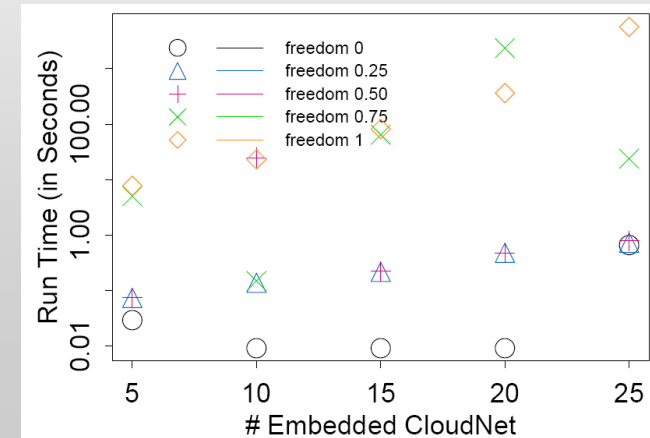
$\text{exp_out: } \sum_{w \in NE_S} \text{flow}_{rs}(f, v, w, rv) \leq \text{alloc}_{rs}(u, v, rv) \quad \forall f \in Fl(u), v \in NE_S, rv \in R_f, rs \in R_S, \forall u \in NE_{VL}$
 $\text{exp_in: } \sum_{w \in NE_S} \text{flow}_{rs}(f, w, v, rv) \leq \text{alloc}_{rs}(u, v, rv) \quad \forall f \in Fl(u), v \in NE_S, rv \in R_f, rs \in R_S, \forall u \in NE_{VL}$
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 $\text{relate_f: } \sum_{w \in NE_S} \text{flow}_{rs}(f, v, w, rv) + \text{flow}_{rs}(f, w, v, rv) \geq \text{new}(f, v) \quad \forall f \in Fl(u), \forall u \in NE_{VL}, v \in NE_S, rv \in R_f, rs \in R_S$

Migration:

$\text{new: } \sum_{v \in NE_S} \text{old}(u, v) \geq \text{mig}(u) \quad \forall u \in NE_V$
 $\text{migrated: } \text{old}(u, v) - \text{new}(u, v) \leq \text{mig}(u) \quad \forall u \in NE_V, v \in NE_S$

Advantages:

1. Generic (backbone vs datacenter) and allows for migration
 2. Allows for different objective functions
 3. Optimal embedding: for background optimization of heavy-tailed (i.e., long-lived) or «heavy hitter» CloudNets, quick placement e.g., by clustering
- But: slow...*



General Mathematical Program (MIP)

Advantages:

Advantages of MIP:

- Very general
- Supports easy replacement of objective functions
- Can use standard, optimized software tools such as CPLEX, Gorubi, etc.

Nodes:

map_node
set_new:
req_min:
req_max:
req_con:

Mapping:

relate_v
allowed:
ne_capac
capacity
load:
max_load

Resource:

resource
flow_res

Links:

map_link
map_flow
map_src:
map_sink
req_min:

req_max:

req_cons

Link Alloc

exp_out:
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Generality of the MIP.

Objective functions:

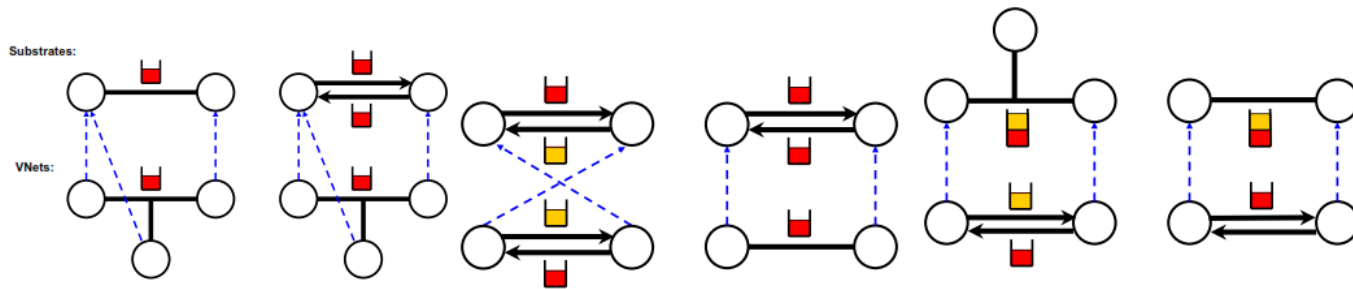
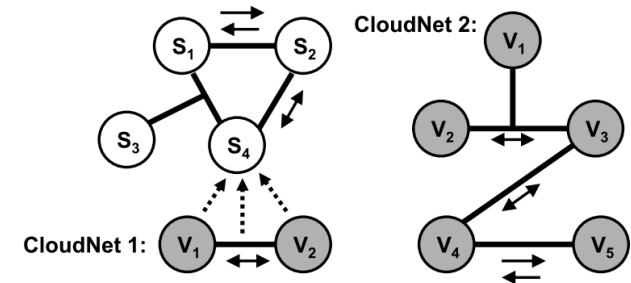
- minimize maximum **load** (= load balance)
- maximize **free resources** (= compress as much as possible), ...

Migration support:

- costs for **migration**: per element, may depend on destination, etc.
- answer questions such as «**what is cost/benefit if I migrate now?**»

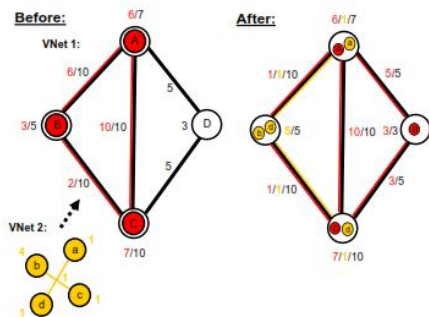
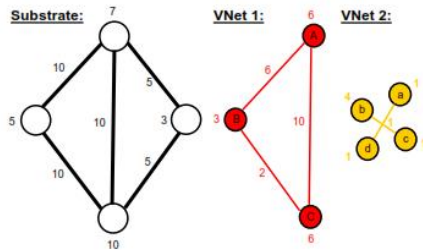
Embedding:

- embedding full-duplex on full-duplex links
- full-duplex on half-duplex links
- or even **multiple endpoint links** (e.g., wireless) supported!



On the Use of Migration.

Res.	w/o	w/ Link	w/ Link&Node	Opt
1	3	3	4	4
2	5	5	9	9
3	7	8	13	13
4	1	1	17	17
5	17	22	24	24
6	2	2	27	27
7	31	32	32	32
8	37	37	37	37



Migration: Useful to increase the number of embeddable CloudNets, especially in under-provisioned scenarios

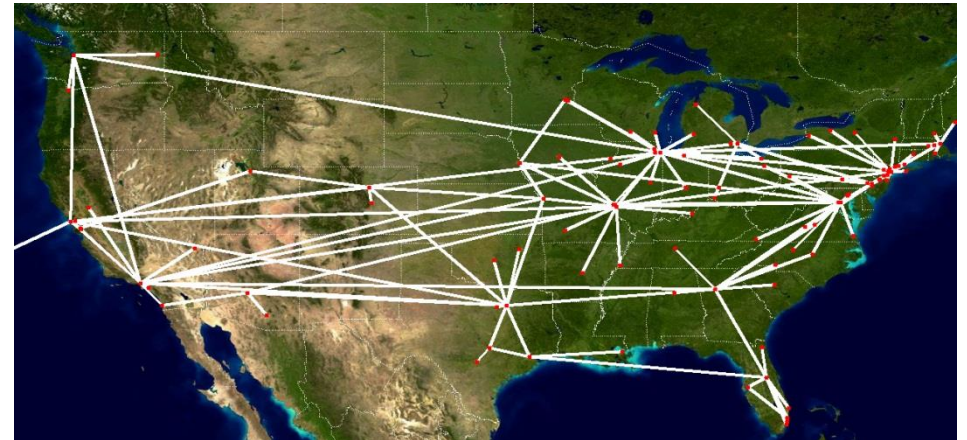
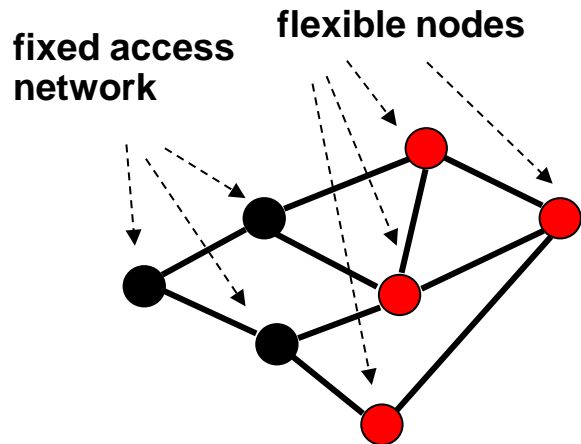


Performance of the MIP: Setup.

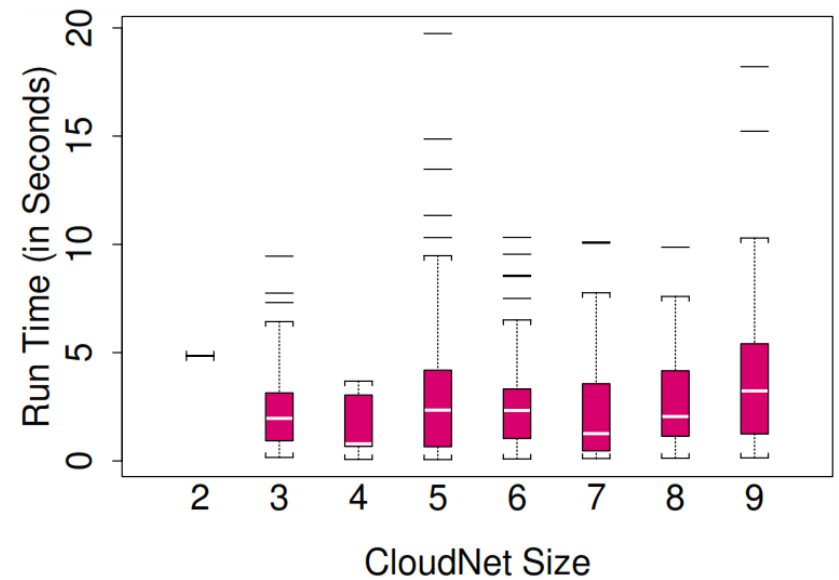
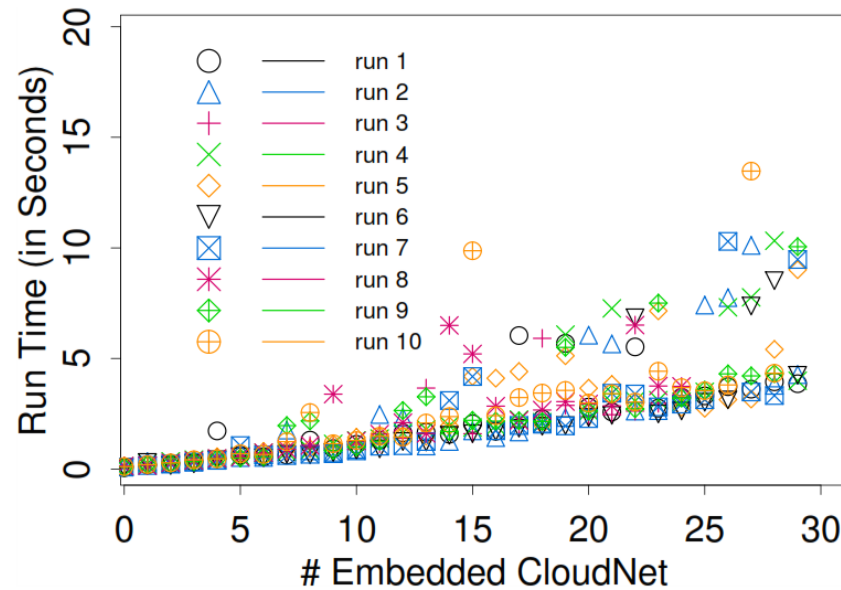
Substrate: Rocketfuel ISP topologies (with 25 nodes)

CloudNets: Out-sourcing scenario, CloudNets with up to ten nodes, subset of nodes fixed (access points) and subset flexible (cloud resources)

Solver: CPLEX on 8-core Xeon (2.5GHz)



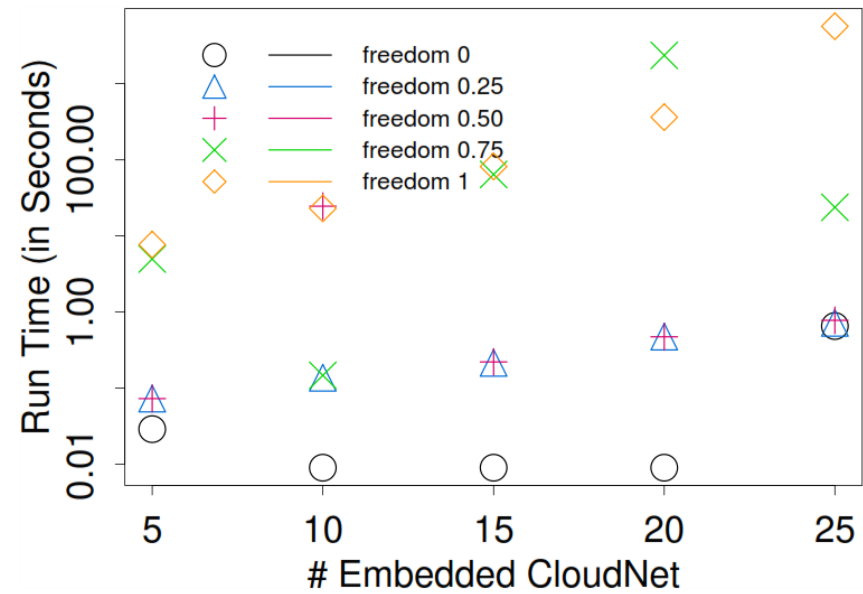
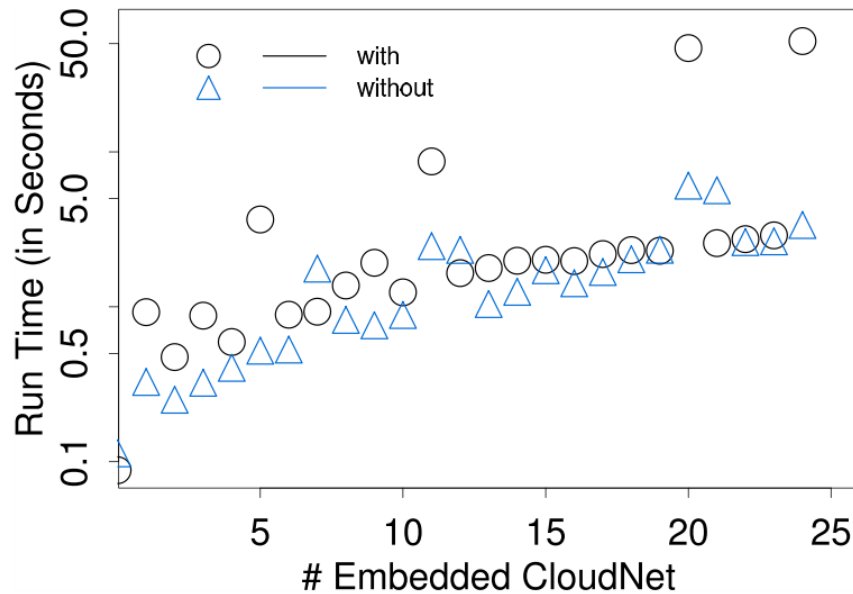
Performance of the MIP.



- Runtime below 1 minute per CloudNet, slightly increasing under load
- Impact of CloudNet size relatively small



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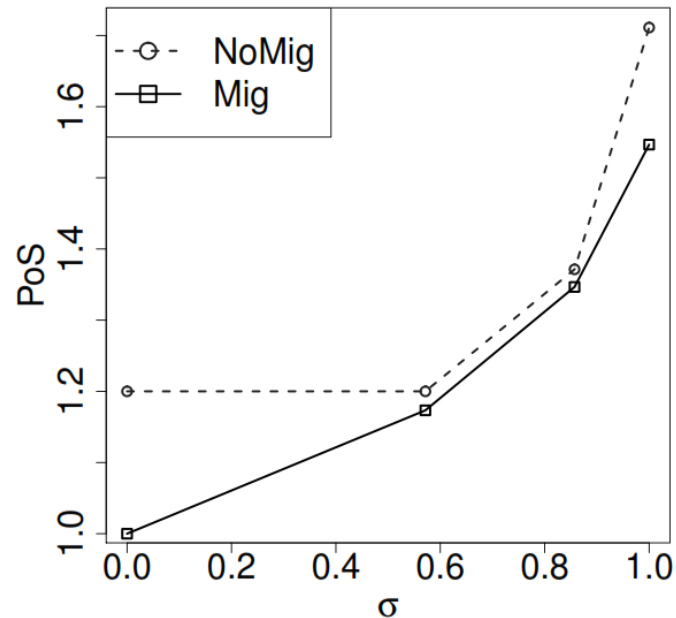
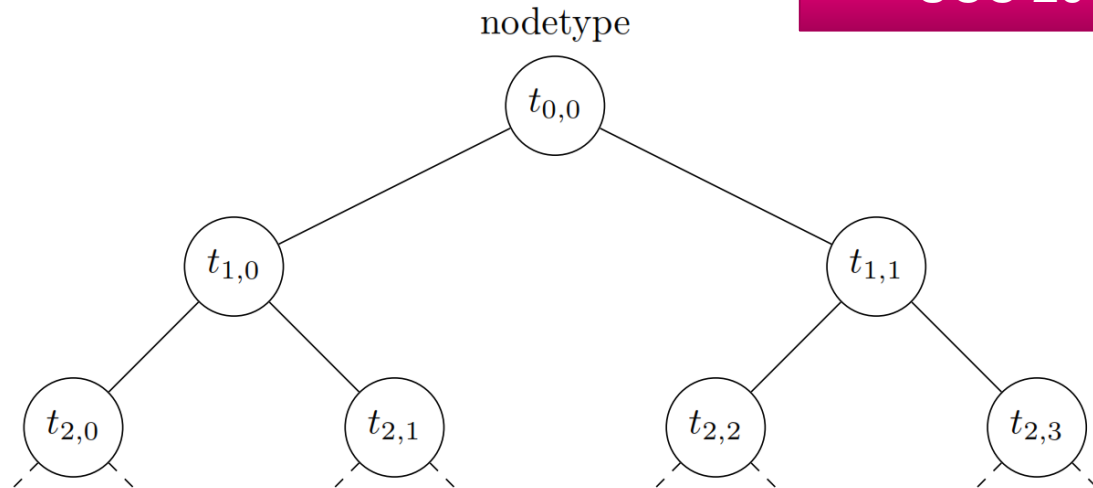


- Enabling option to migrate can increase execution time significantly (log scale!)
- Also number of flexible CloudNet components is important



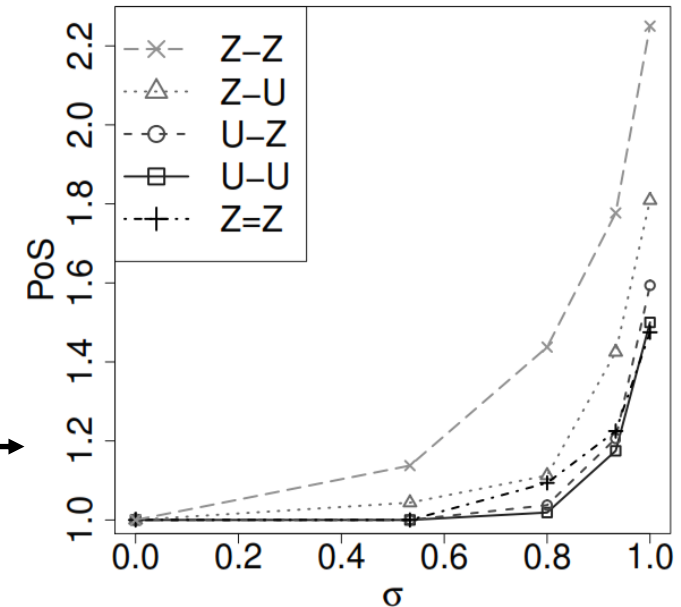
PoS

How much link resources are needed to embed a CloudNet with specificity $s\%$?



Up to 60%, even a little bit more if no migrations are possible!

Skewed (Zipf) distributions worst when not matching.



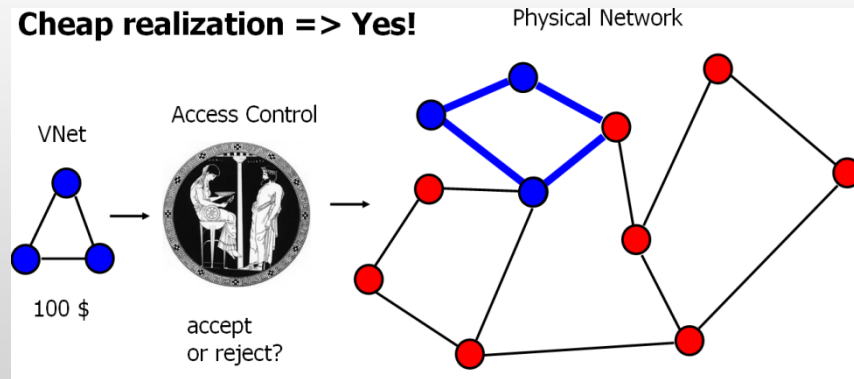
CloudNet Embedding.

Online Access Control

Goal:

Decide online which VNet requests to accept, such that **profit** is maximized

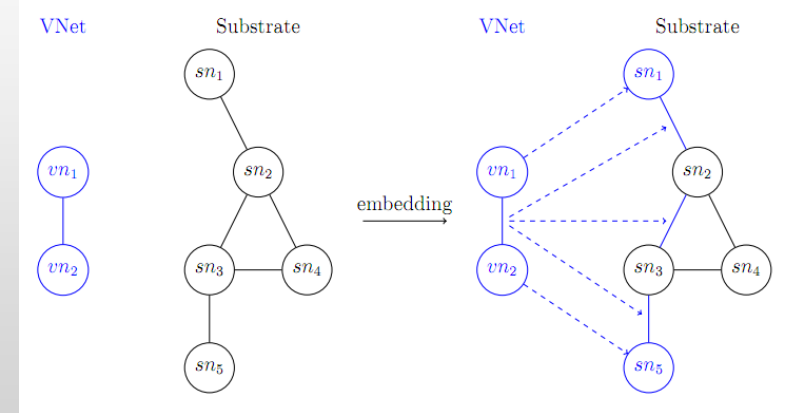
Cheap realization => Yes!



Mapping and Allocation

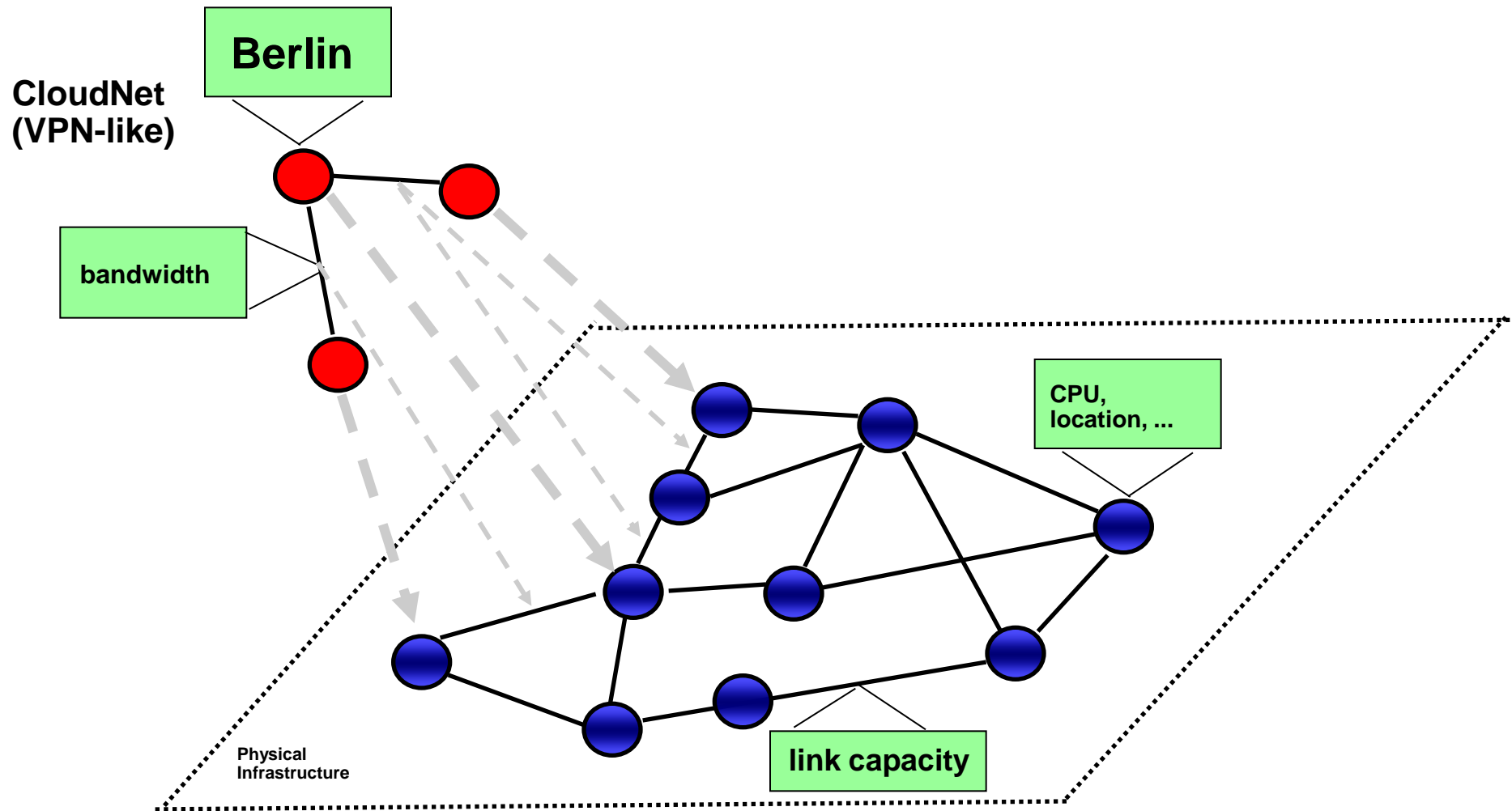
Goal:

Where to realize CloudNet such that spec is met? Objective, e.g.: minimize allocation **resources**, minimize **max load**, **save energy**, ...



Currently focus on optimizing existing CloudNets (**heavy-tailed lifetime** assumption): but we are also working on quick embeddings (**clustering**, iterative, ...)

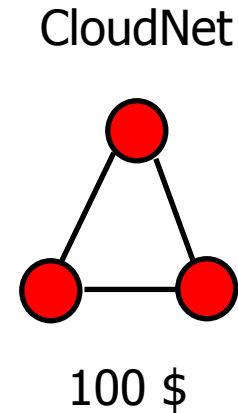
Competitive Access Control: Model (1)



Competitive Access Control: Model (2)

Specification of CloudNet request:

- terminal **locations** to be connected
- **benefit** if CloudNet accepted (all-or-nothing, no preemption)
- desired **bandwidth** and allowed **traffic** patterns
- a **routing** model
- **duration** (from when until when?)

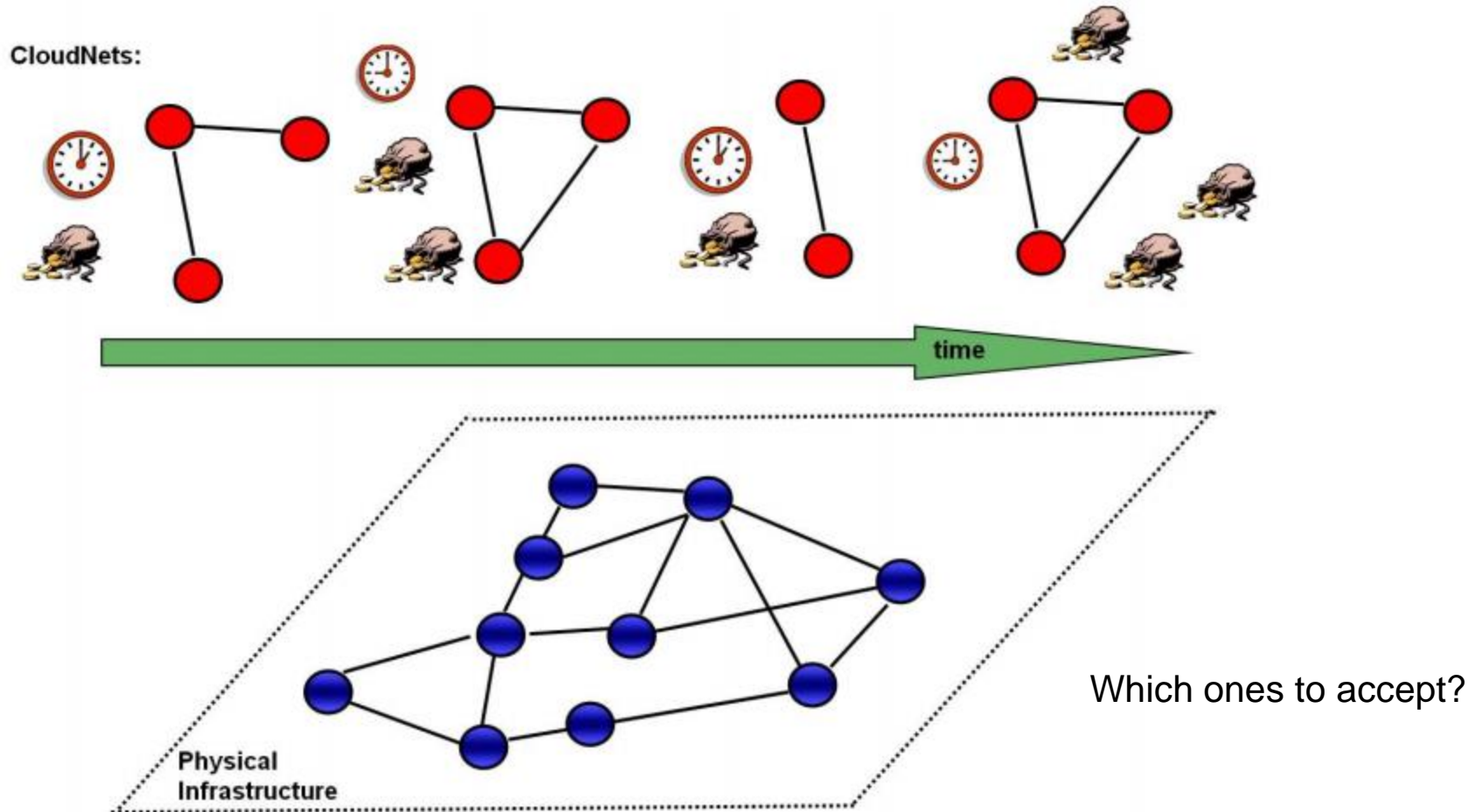


If CloudNets with these specifications arrive over time,
which ones to accept online?

Objective: maximize **sum of benefits** of accepted CloudNets



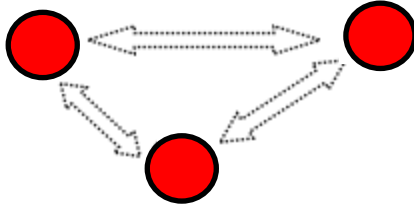
Competitive Access Control: Model (3)



CloudNet Specifications (1): Traffic Model.

Customer Pipe

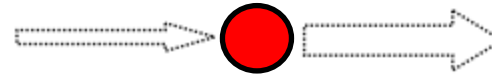
Every pair (u,v) of nodes requires a certain bandwidth.



Detailed constraints, only this **traffic matrix** needs to be fulfilled!

Hose Model

Each node v has **max ingress** and **max egress bandwidth**: each traffic matrix fulfilling them must be served.

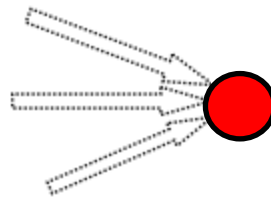


More flexible, must support many traffic matrices!

«virtual switch»

Aggregate Ingress Model

Sum of ingress bandwidths must be at most a parameter I .



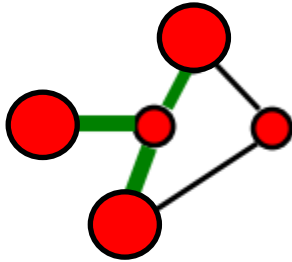
Simple and flexible! Good for **multicasts** etc.: no overhead, duplicate packets for output links, not input links already!



CloudNet Specifications (2): Routing Model.

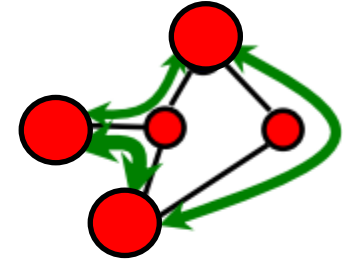
Tree

VNet is embedded as **Steiner tree**:



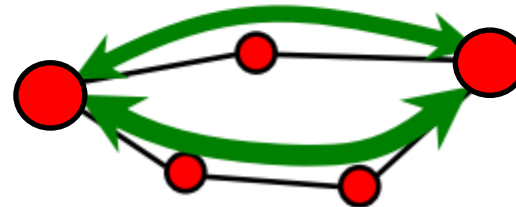
Single Path

Each pair of nodes communicates along a single path.



Multi Path

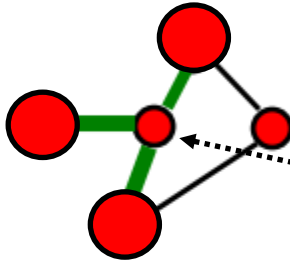
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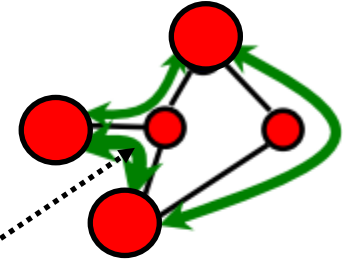
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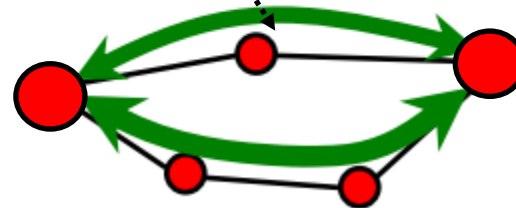
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Relay nodes may add to embedding costs!
(resources depend, e.g., on packet rate)

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Competitive Embeddings.

Competitive analysis framework:

Online Algorithm

Online algorithms make decisions at time t without any knowledge of inputs / requests at times $t' > t$.

Competitive Ratio

Competitive ratio r ,

$$r = \text{Cost}(\text{ALG}) / \text{cost}(\text{OPT})$$

The **price of not knowing the future!**

Competitive Analysis

An *r -competitive online algorithm* ALG gives a **worst-case performance guarantee**: the performance is at most a factor r worse than an optimal offline algorithm OPT!

No need for complex predictions but still good!



Buchbinder&Naor: Primal-Dual Approach.

Algorithm design and analysis follows online primal-dual approach recently invented by Buchbinder&Naor!

(Application to general VNet embeddings, traffic&routing models, router loads, duration, approx oracles, ...)

1. Formulate dynamic primal and dual LP

$\begin{aligned} \min & Z_j^T \cdot \mathbf{1} + X^T \cdot C \quad s.t. \\ & Z_j^T \cdot D_j + X^T \cdot A_j \geq B_j^T \\ & X, Z_j \geq \mathbf{0} \end{aligned}$ <p>(I)</p>	$\begin{aligned} \max & B_j^T \cdot Y_j \quad s.t. \\ & A_j \cdot Y_j \leq C \\ & D_j \cdot Y_j \leq \mathbf{1} \\ & Y_j \geq \mathbf{0} \end{aligned}$ <p>(II)</p>
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Fig. 1: (I) The primal covering LP. (II) The dual packing LP.

2. Derive GIPO algorithm which always produces feasible primal solutions and where Primal $\geq 2 \cdot$ Dual

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Theorem

The presented online algorithm GIPO is **log-competitive** in the amount of resources in the physical network!
If capacities can be exceeded by a log factor, it is even **constant competitive**.

However, competitive ratio also depends on max benefit!



Algorithm and Proof Sketch (1).

Embedding oracle: GIPO invokes an oracle procedure to determine cost of CloudNet embedding!

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If resource cost lower than benefit: accept!

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update allocations for
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Algorithm efficient... except for oracle (static, optimal embedding)!

What if we only use a suboptimal embedding here?



Algorithm and Proof Sketch (2).

Problem: computation of optimal embeddings NP-hard!
Thus: use approximate embeddings! (E.g., Steiner tree)

GIPO:

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Embedding approx.:

<insert your favorite
approx algo>

Approx ratio r

Competitive ratio ρ

Lemma

The approximation does not reduce the overall competitive ratio by much: we get $\rho \cdot r$ ratio!



Proof Sketch (1): Simplified LP.

$$\begin{aligned} \min \sum_{e \in E} x_e \cdot c(e) + \sum_{v \in V} x_v \cdot c(v) + \sum_i z_i \cdot d_i \quad s.t. \\ \text{(Covering Const.) } \forall i \forall \Delta \in \Delta_i \quad z_i + \alpha(i, \Delta) \geq b_i \\ \forall i \forall \Delta \in \Delta_i \quad x_e, x_v, z_i \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

(I)

maximize
benefit!

realization of i-th
request (will be integer,
accept fully or not at all)

$$\begin{aligned} \max \sum_i b_i \cdot \sum_{\Delta_{ij} \in \Delta_i} f_{ij} \quad s.t. \\ \text{(Vertex Capacity Const.)} \quad \forall v \in V \quad \text{flow}(v) \leq c(v) \\ \text{(Edge Capacity Const.)} \quad \forall e \in E \quad \text{flow}(e) \leq c(e) \\ \text{(Demand Const.)} \quad \forall i \quad \sum_{\Delta_{ij} \in \Delta_i} f_{ij} \leq d_i \\ f \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

(II)

... while ensuring
capacity and
no more than demand!

Fig. 1: (I) The Primal linear embedding program. (II) The Dual linear embedding program.



Proof Sketch (2): Simplified LP.

essentially, exponential load...

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Proof Sketch (3): Simplified LP.

Algorithm 1 The ISTP Algorithm.

Input: $G = (V, E)$ (possibly infinite), sequence of requests $\{r_i\}_{i=1}^{\infty}$ where $r_i \triangleq (U_i, c_i, d_i, b_i)$.

Upon arrival of request r_i :

1) $j \leftarrow \operatorname{argmin}\{\alpha(i, j) : \Delta_{ij} \in \Delta_i\}$ (find a lightest realization over the terminal set U_i using an oracle).

2) If $\alpha(i, j) < b_i$ then, (accept r_i)

a) $f_{ij} \leftarrow d_i$.

b) For each $e \in E(\Delta_{ij})$ do

$$x_e \leftarrow x_e \cdot 2^{d_i/c(e)} + \frac{1}{|V(\Delta_{ij})|} \cdot (2^{d_i/c(e)} - 1).$$

c) For each $v \in V(\Delta_{ij})$ do

$$x_v \leftarrow x_v \cdot 2^{c_i/c(v)} + \frac{d_i/c_i}{|V(\Delta_{ij})|} \cdot (2^{c_i/c(v)} - 1).$$

d) $z_i \leftarrow b_i - \alpha(i, j)$.

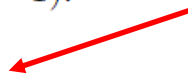
3) Else, (reject r_i)

a) $z_i \leftarrow 0$.

oracle
(triangle only)



update primal
variables if accepted



Proof Sketch (4): Simplified LP.

Step (2b) increases the cost $\sum_e x_e \cdot c(e)$ as follows
(change $\Delta(x_e) = \sum_e (x_e^t - x_e^{t-1}) \cdot c(e)$):

$$\begin{aligned}
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 &= \sum_{e \in \Delta} \left(x_e + \frac{1}{|V(\Delta_{ij})|} \right) \cdot (2^{d_i/c(e)} - 1) \cdot c(e) \\
 &\leq c_{\min}(e) \cdot (2^{d_i/c_{\min}(e)} - 1) \sum_{e \in \Delta} \left(x_e + \frac{1}{|V(\Delta_{ij})|} \right) \\
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 \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

after each request,
primal variables
constitute feasible
solutions...

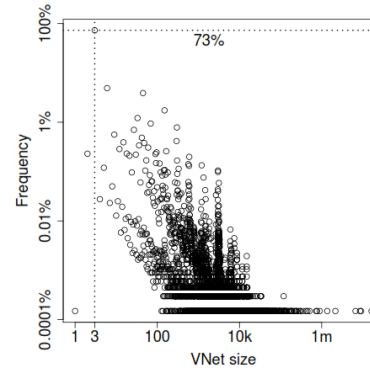
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On the Benefit of Collocation.

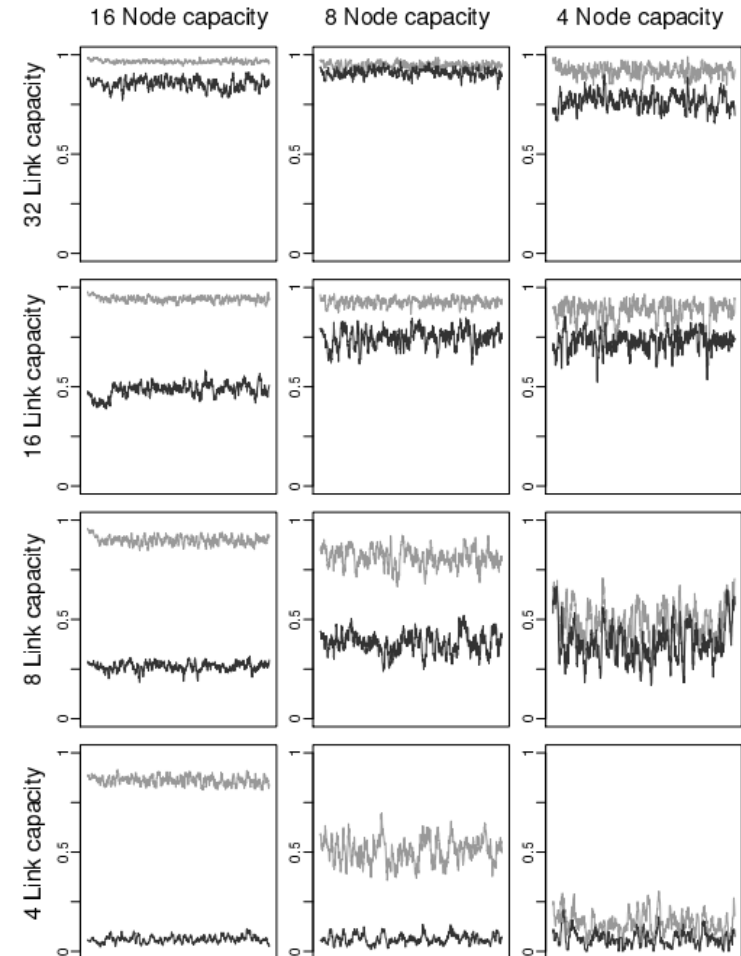
Google cluster: many small networks, over 90% allow for collocation



Greedy vs SecondNet vs ViNE:
Greedy collocation algorithm beats them all...!

Algorithm 1 The LOCo Algorithm

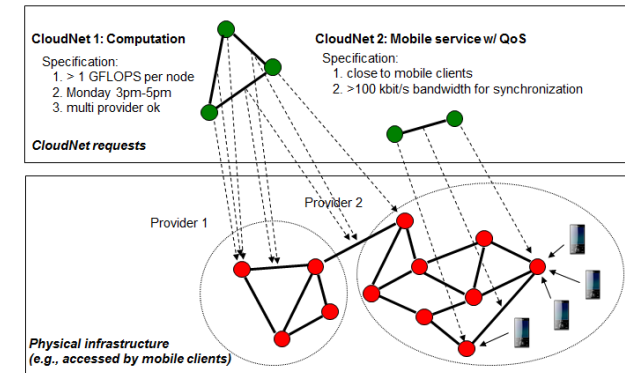
Require: VNet $G = (V, E)$, $M = \{s\}$ for some $s \in V(G)$,
 $P = (\Gamma(s))$
while $|P| > 0$ **do**
 sort P (* decreasing link capacities *)
 choose $u = P[0]$ (* next node to map *)
 map u (* forward checking *)
 map $\{u, v\} \quad \forall v \in M$, **where** $\{u, v\} \in E(G)$
 $M = M \cup \{u\}$ **and** $P = P \setminus \{u\}$
end while
if (embedding failed), **backtrack** on s



Mixed Integer Programs

Problem 1: Classic VNet Embedding (VNEP).

- Map virtual nodes to substrate nodes
 - Collocation possible
 - But not splitting of virtual nodes
- Map virtual links
 - One
 - Linear combination
 - Hose
- Mixed Integer Model
 - VINO ☺
- Open Problems
 - Everything ☺



The Informal Guide to the Virtual Network Embedding MIP Creator

TU Berlin, Germany

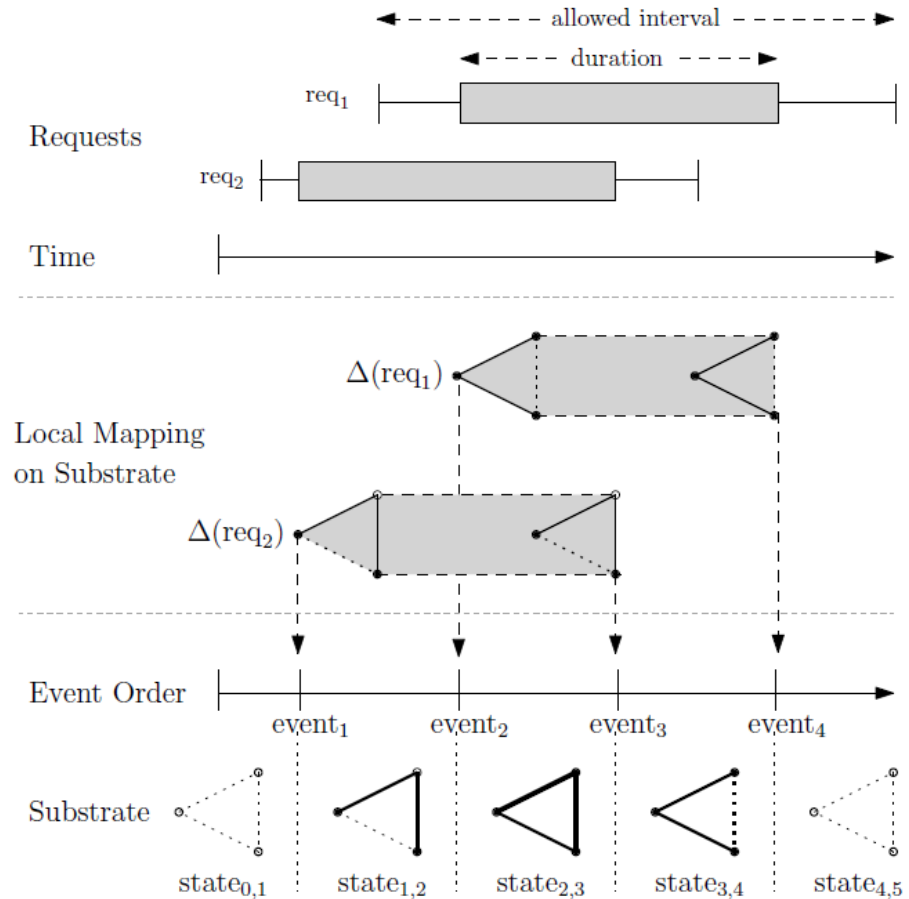
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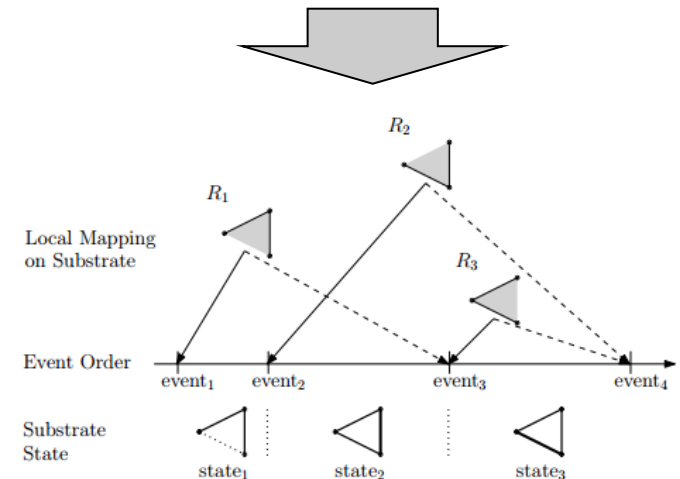
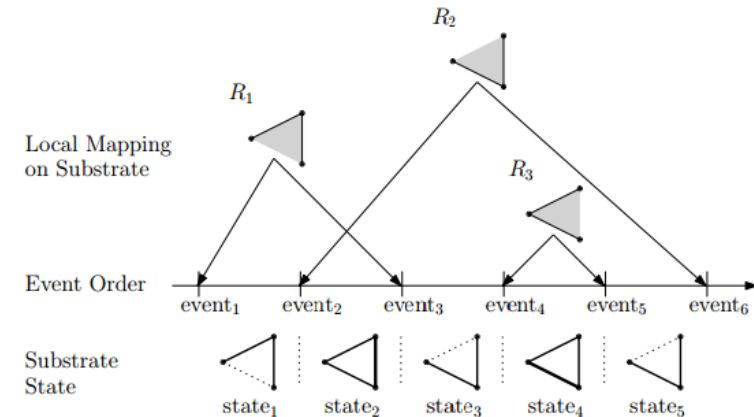
Problem 2: Embedding with Time Flexibilities (TVNEP).

- VNets come with time flexibilities
- Example: delay-tolerant computations, bulk data transfers, etc.
- **Where** to embed and **when** to schedule VNets?



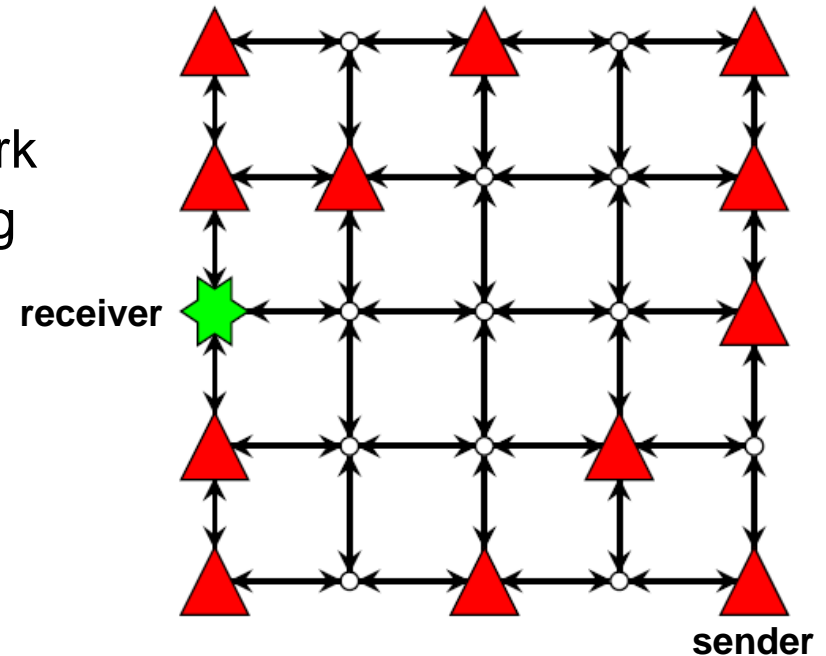
Problem 2: Embedding with Time Flexibilities (TVNEP).

- Continuous time (less binary variables): **state model** (explicit states) and **delta model** (only differences)
 - Delta model yields bad **relaxations**
 - State model has **more variables**, but still better
- Compact variant:
 - **State reduction**: feasibility check only at start of request sufficient (when finishes less resources)
 - Minimize smear-out: Distribute start and end to as few event points as possible
 - «Merge» **multiple endpoints** with start points
 - Compute **temporal dependencies** graph cuts

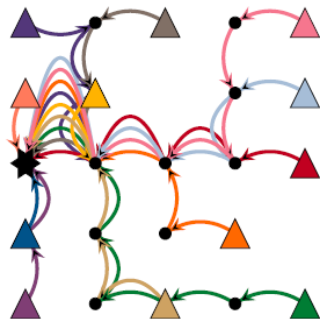


Problem 3: VirtuCast / In-Network Processing (CVSAP).

- Network Function Virtualization
 - Can aggregate / split streams in network
 - E.g., streaming or wide-area monitoring
- Universal nodes need to be activated:
Joint optimization of processing and communication?
 - Note: DAG may not be optimal!

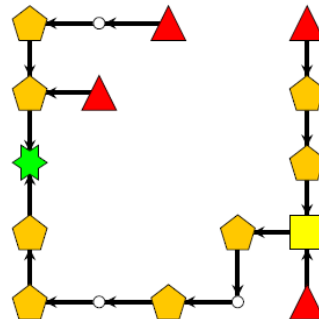


N unicasts



Communication costs!

Steiner



vs.

Processing costs!

Generalization?

Problem 3: VirtuCast / In-Network Processing (CVSAP).

- Multi-Commodity flow bad: for 200 Steiner nodes and 6800 edges, 1.3 mio binary variables!
- Single-Commodity approach: solvable!
- Idea: single commodity and then path decomposition
- Open question: can we even relax path variables and optimally round it afterwards?

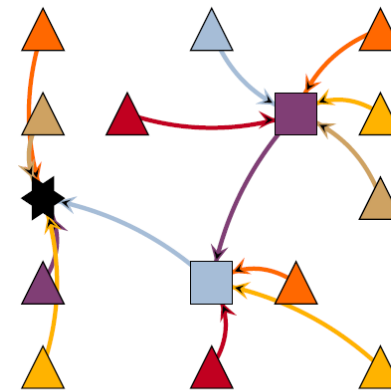


Figure: Virtual Arborescence

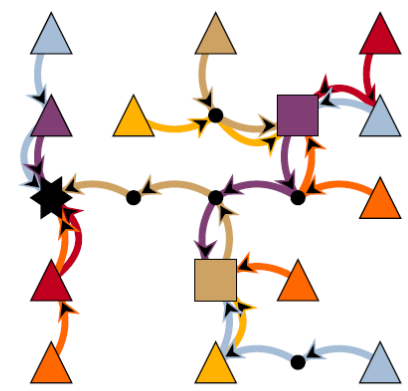


Figure: Flow in original graph

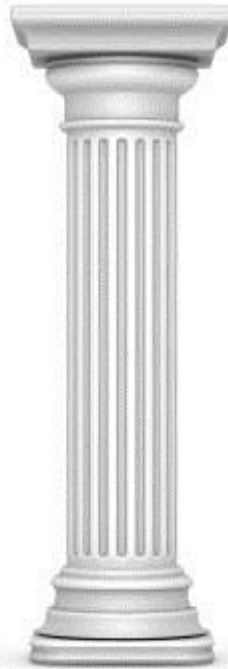


Migration.

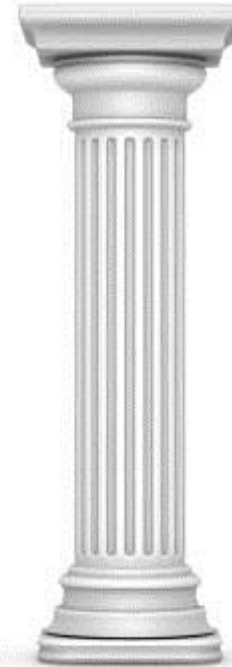
**Access Control
and Embedding**



Service Migration



Security Issues

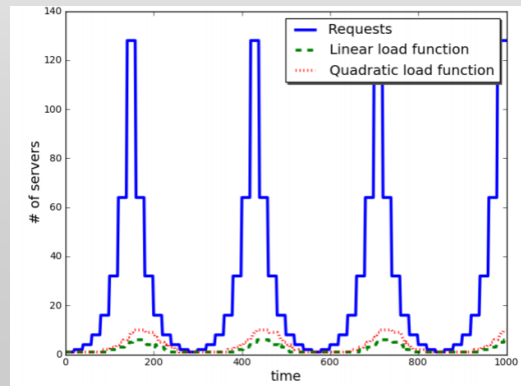
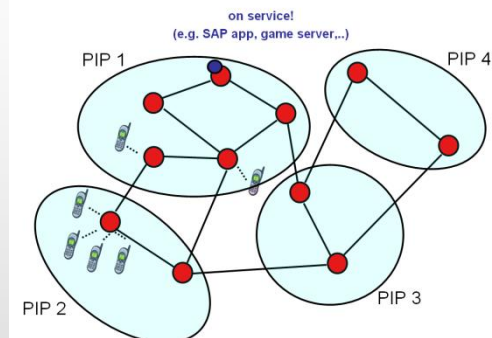


Online Service Migration.

Online Migration and Allocation

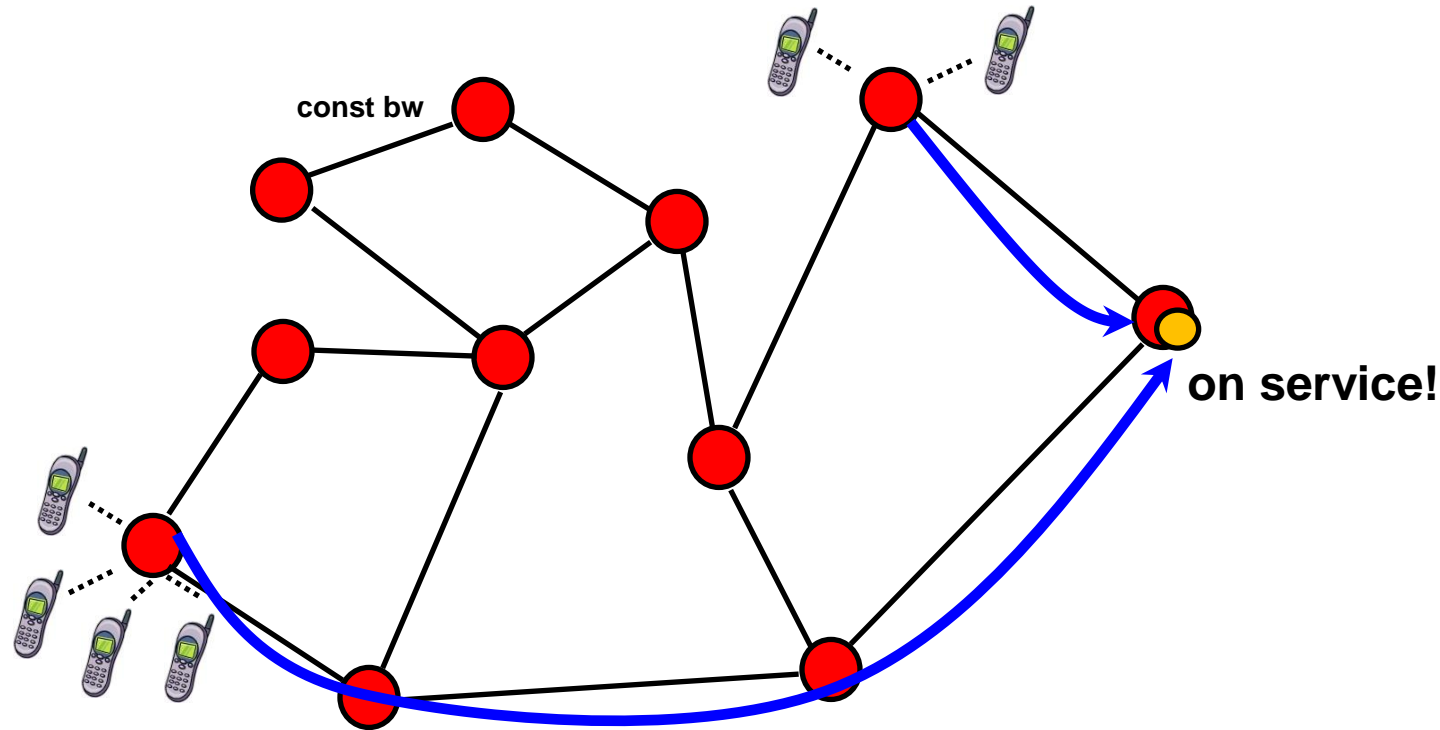
Goal:

E.g., **QoS** (=“move with the sun”, or with commuters); or for **maintenance** or to turn off resources (**energy** conservation).



The Virtual Service Migration Problem.

Bienkowski et al.:
SIGCOMM VISA 2010



Given a virtual network with guaranteed bandwidth: where to migrate service?

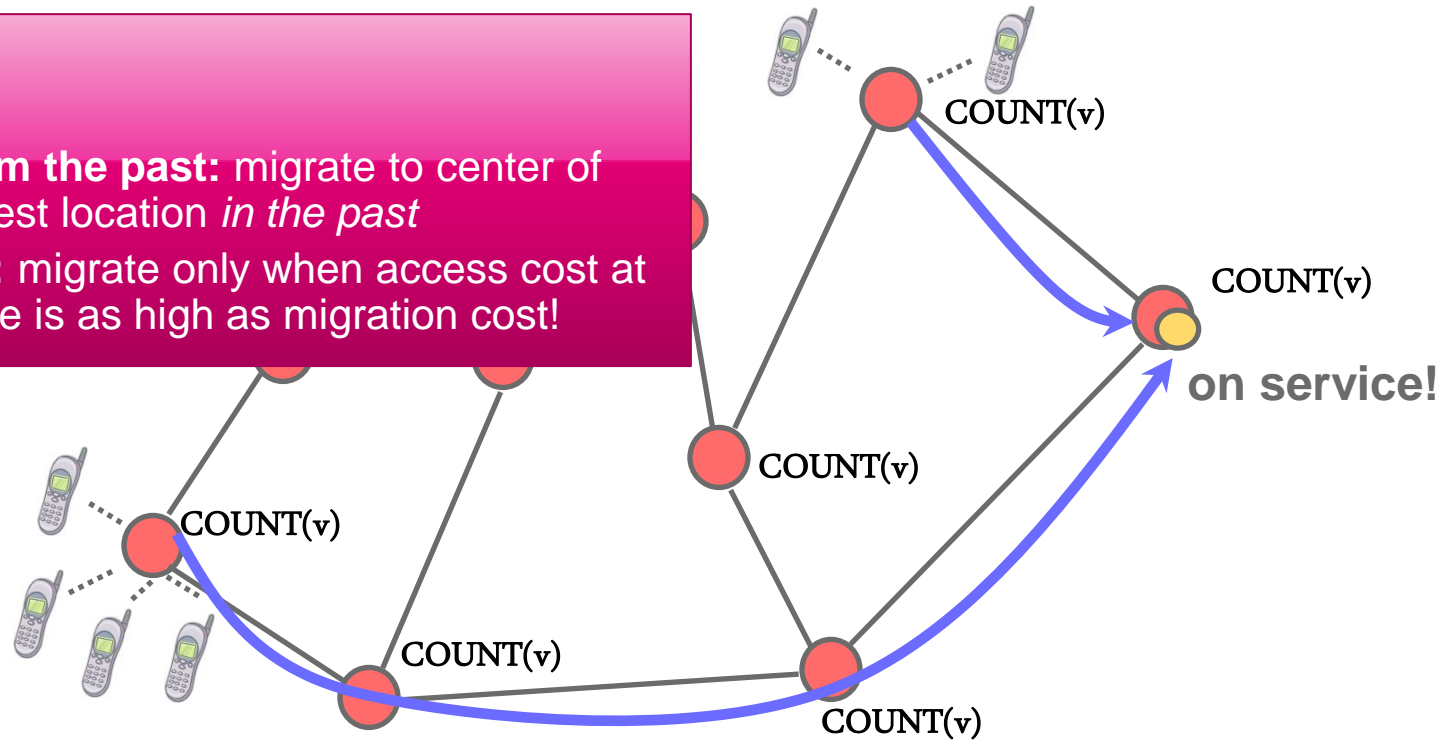
Simple model: **one service**, constant migration cost (interruption), access along graph.



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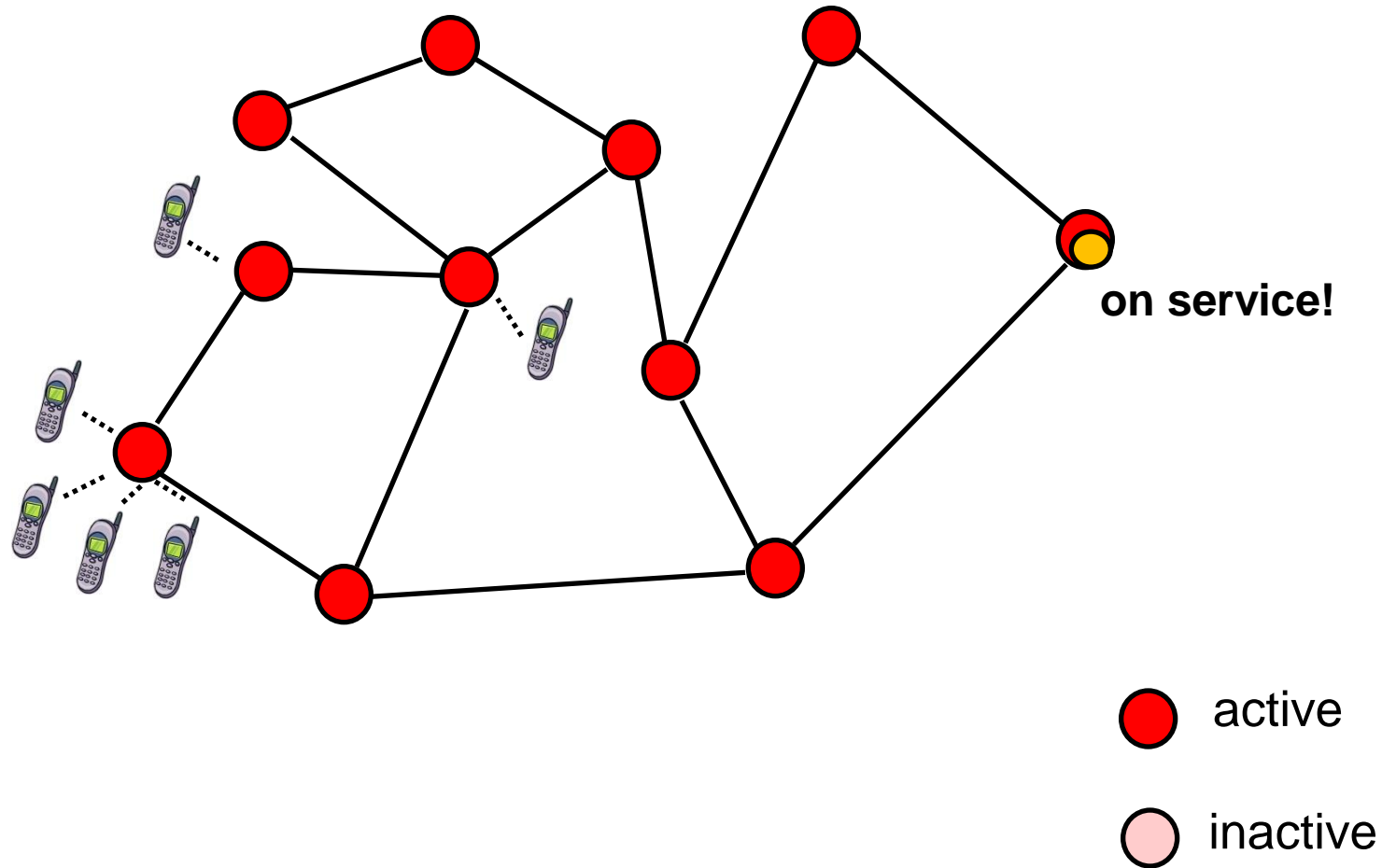
Center of Gravity Migration

1. Each node v : $COUNT(v)$ = access cost **epoch**
2. Call nodes v with $COUNT(v) < m$ **active**.
3. If service is at node w , a **phase** ends when $COUNT(w) \geq m$
4. The service is migrated to the **center of gravity** of the remaining active nodes
5. If no such node is left, the epoch ends.



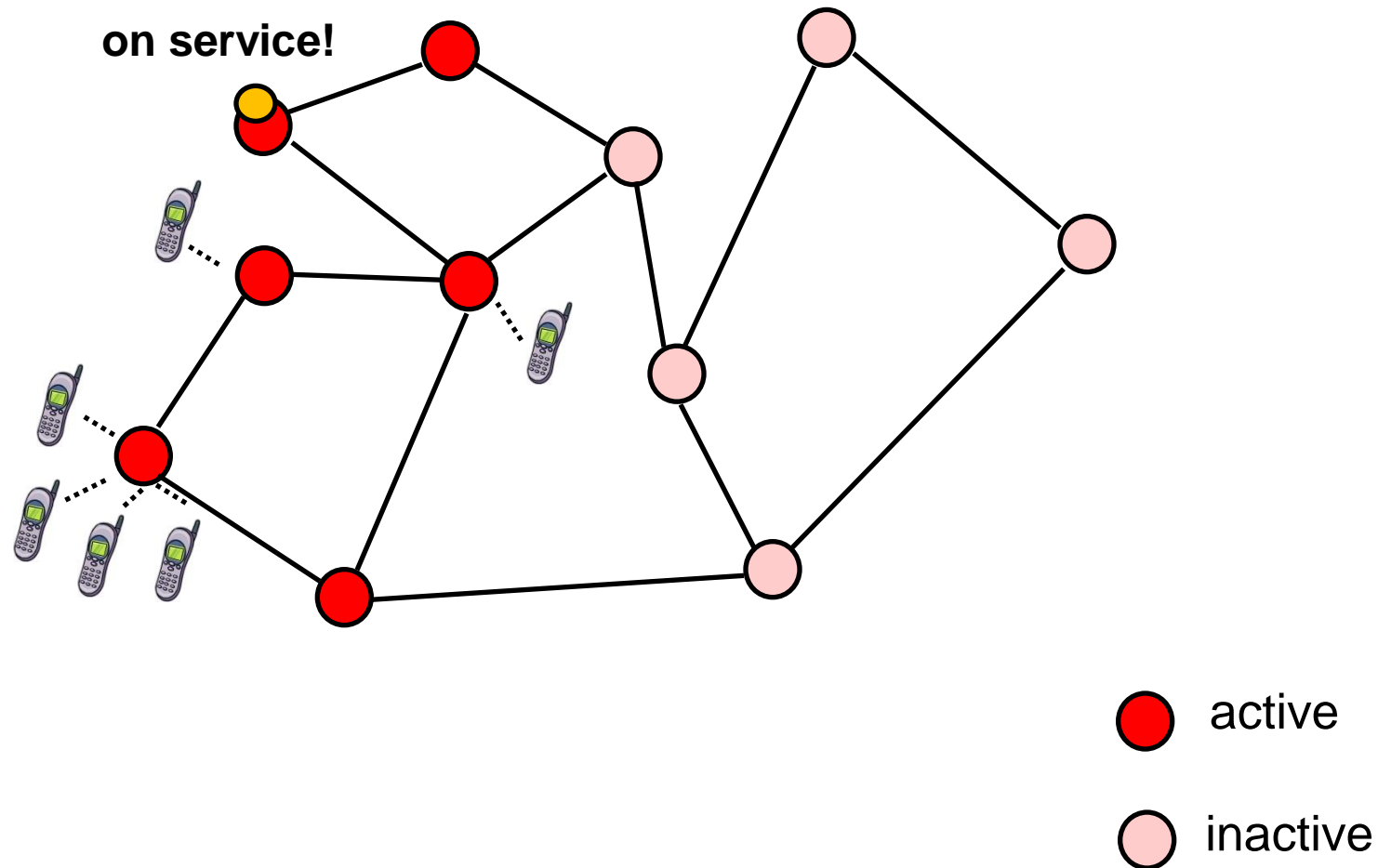
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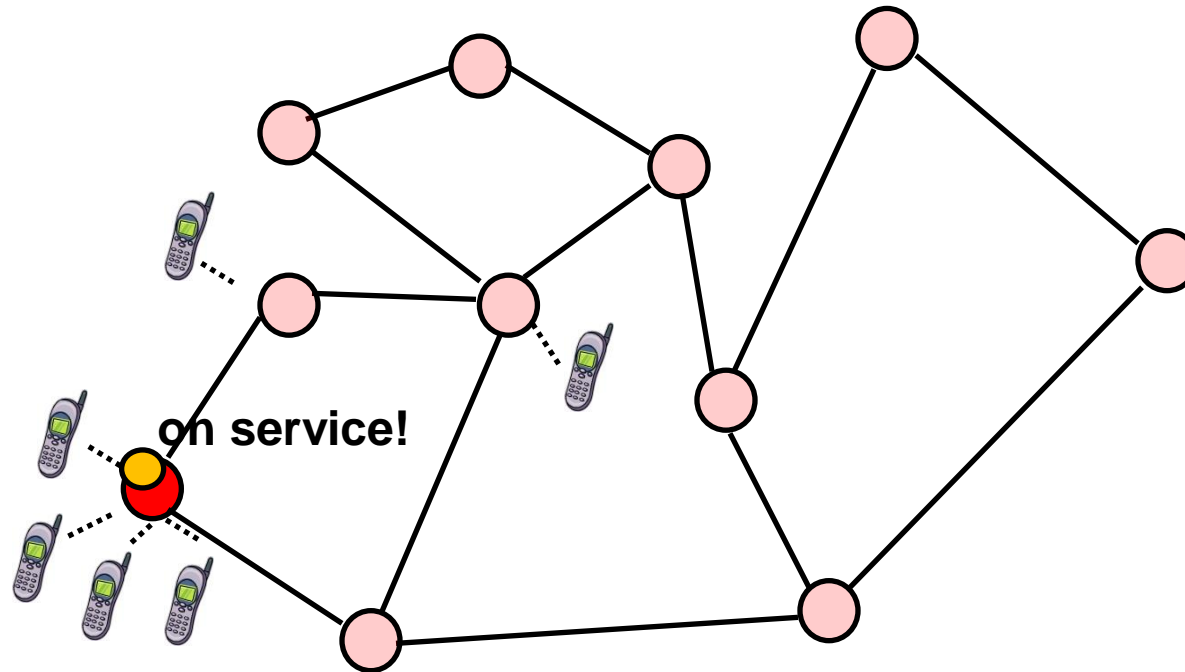
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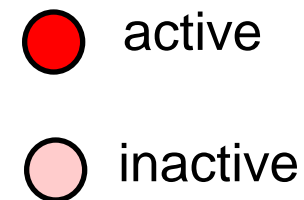


Center-of-Gravity Algo: Example.

End of epoch:



Of course, not converging if demand is dynamic!
(Simplified example.)



Center-of-Gravity Algo: Result.

Competitive analysis? Assume constant bandwidths!

$$r = \text{ALG} / \text{OPT} ?$$

Lower bound cost of OPT:

In an **epoch**, each node has **at least** access cost **m** , or there was a migration of cost **m** .

Upper bound cost of ALG:

We can show that each **phase** has cost **at most $2m$** (access plus migration), and there are at most **$\log(n)$** many phases per **epoch**!

Theorem

ALG is $\log(n)$ competitive!

A special uniform metrical task system (graph metric for access)!



Optimality?

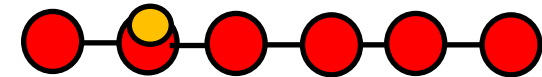
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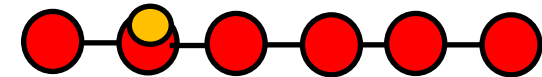
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Algorithm Follower

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1:  $i := 0; k_0 := 0 \forall j: F_j = \{\}$  {The server starts at an  
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Upon a new request  $r$  do:  
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3:  $F_i := F_i \cup r$   
4:  $f' := \text{arbitrary } u \in CG(F_i)$   
5:  $x' := d(f_i, f')$  {for co.di., and  $x' := 1$  for  
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6: if  $C(f_i, F_i) \geq g(x'|k_i)$  then  
7:    $f_{i+1} := f'; x_i := x'$   
8:    $y(w) := d(f_i, w) + d(w, f_{i+1})$  {for co.di., and for  
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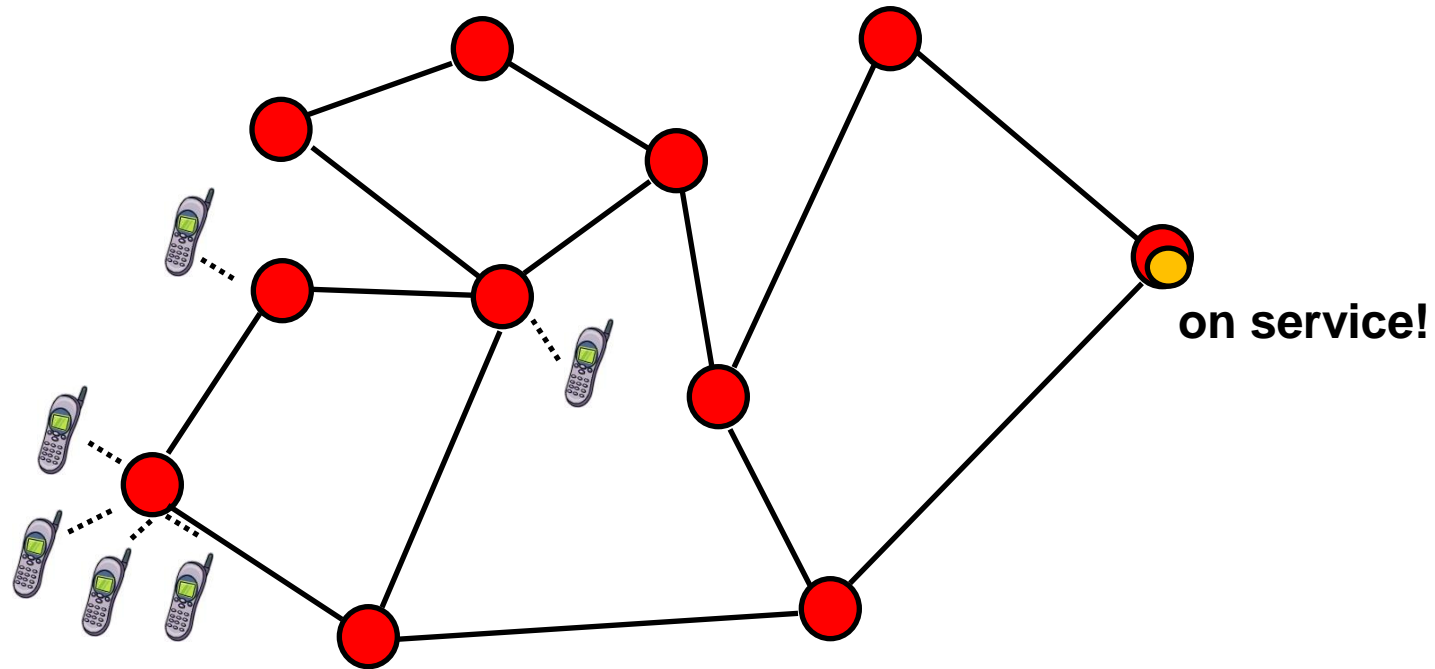
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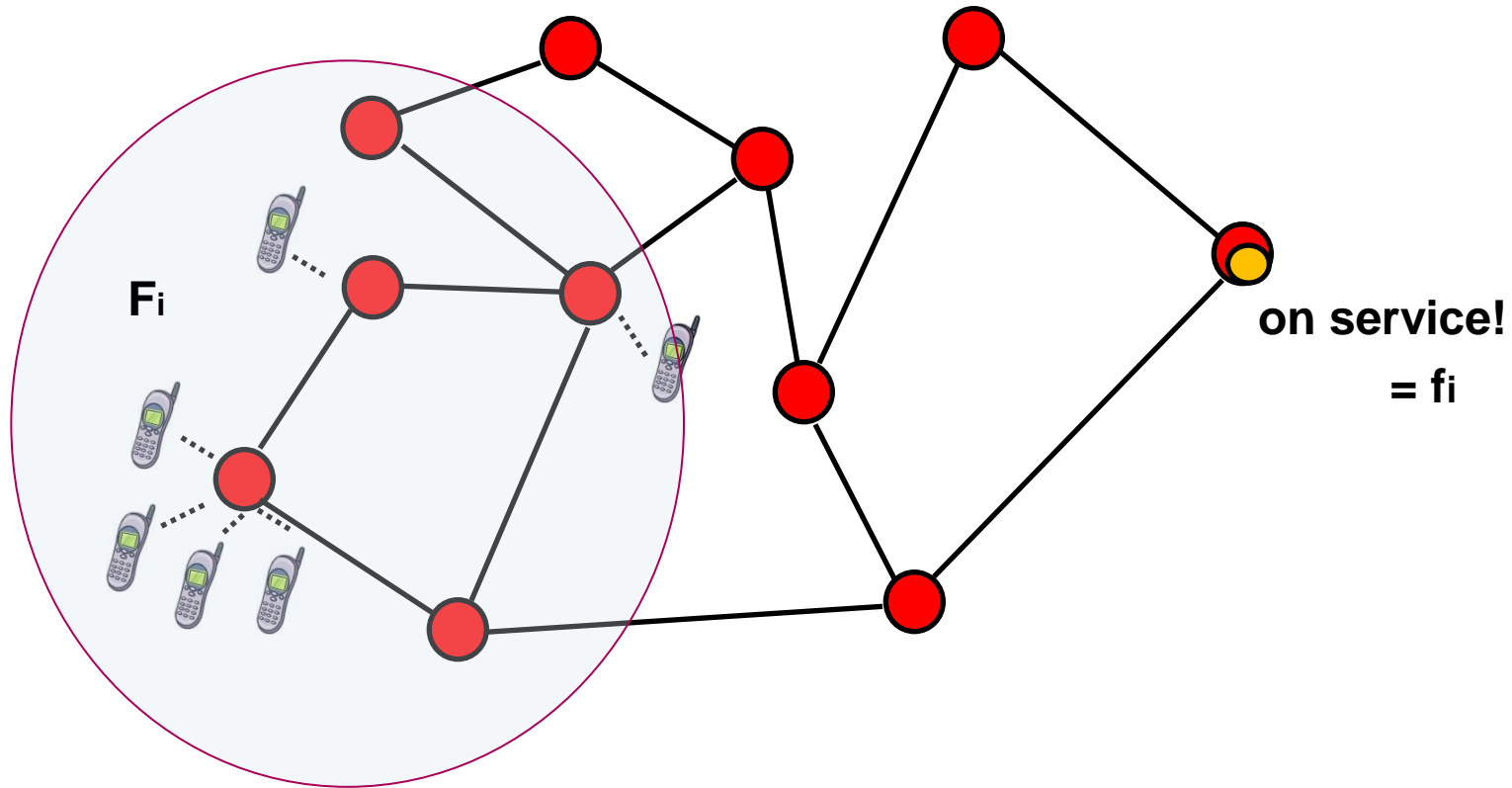
Also works for migrations with discount!
(Reseller/broker gives discount!)



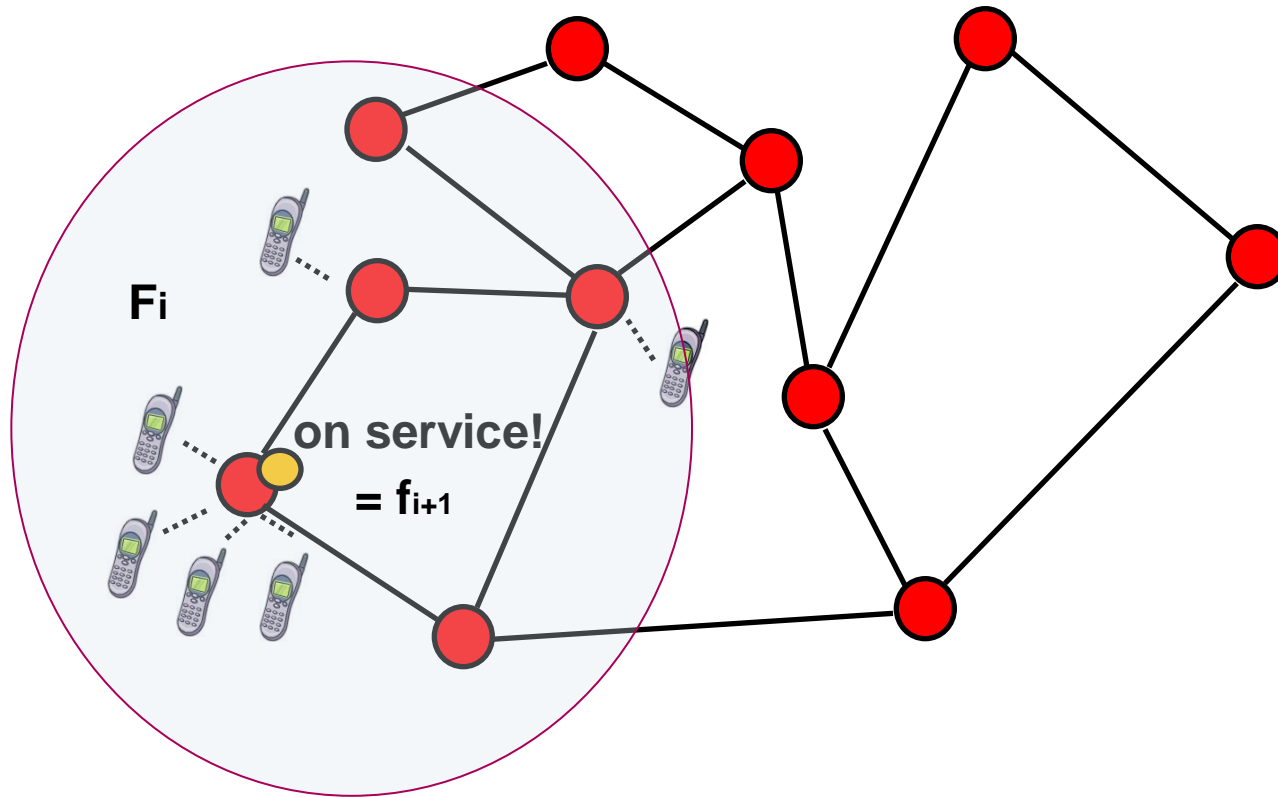
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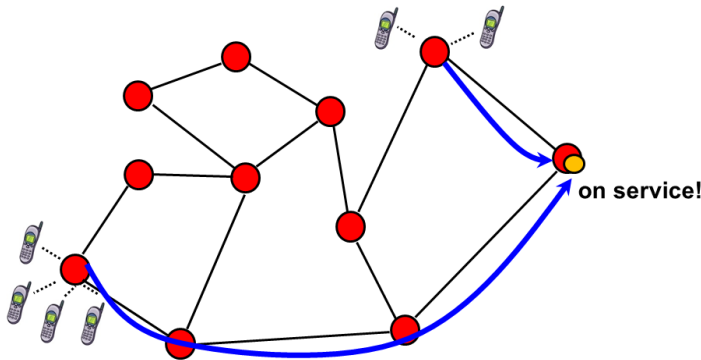
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Modeling Access and Migration Costs.

Access Costs

Latency along shortest path in graph.
(Graph distances, and in particular: metric!)



Migration Costs

Generalized models:

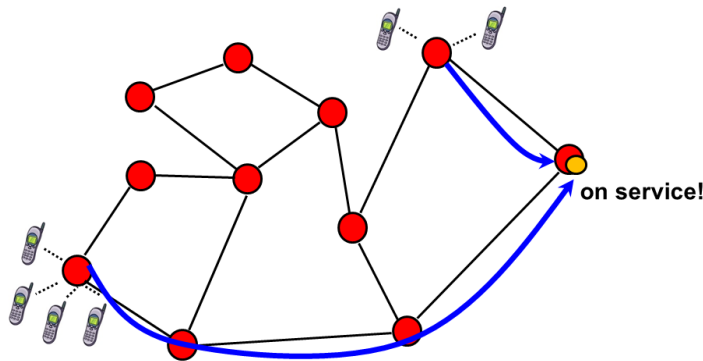
- E.g., depends on bandwidth along path (duration of service interruption)
- E.g., depends on distance travelled (latency)
- Discount: e.g., VNP (number of migrations, distance travelled, ...)



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Migration Costs

Generalized metric

- E.g.

General cost function $g(x|y)$: cost of migrating distance x given already travelled y

Or $g(1|y)$: cost of migration given we already migrated y times

Competitive Ratio of FOLLOWER.

Competitive analysis? **FOLLOWER / OPT?**

Theorem

If no discounts are given,
Follower is $\log(n)/\log\log(n)$ competitive!

Simple model with *migration costs = bandwidth*, and *homogeneous*

Page migration model with
migration costs = distance,
but discounts

Theorem

If migration costs depend on travelled distance (page migration), competitive ratio is $O(1)$, even with discounts.



Related Work.

- Metrical Task Systems:
 - Classical online problem where server at certain location («state») serves requests at certain costs; state transitions also come at certain costs («migration»)
 - Depending on migration cost function more general (we have **graph access costs**) and less general (we allow for **migration discounts**)
 - E.g., **uniform space metrical task system**: migration costs constant, but access costs more general than graph distances! Lower bound of **$\log(n)$** vs **$\log(n)/\log\log(n)$** upper bound in our case.
- Online Page Migration
 - Classical online problem from the 80ies; we generalize cost function to distance discounts, while keeping $O(1)$ -competitive

Our work lies between!



Simulation.

Commuter Scenario

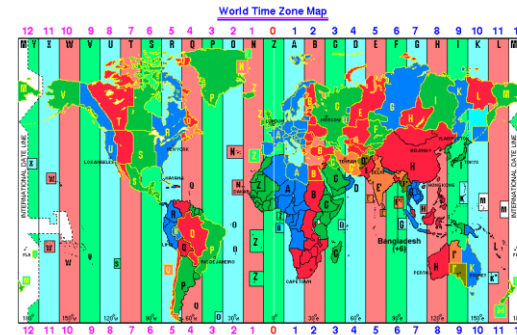
Dynamics due to mobility: requests cycle through a 24h pattern: in the morning, requests distributed widely (people in suburbs), then focus in city centers; in the evening, reverse.



Predictable scenarios,
but we do not exploit that.
Reality less predictable!

Time Zone Scenario

Dynamics due to time zone effects: request originate in China first, then more requests come from European countries, and finally from the U.S.

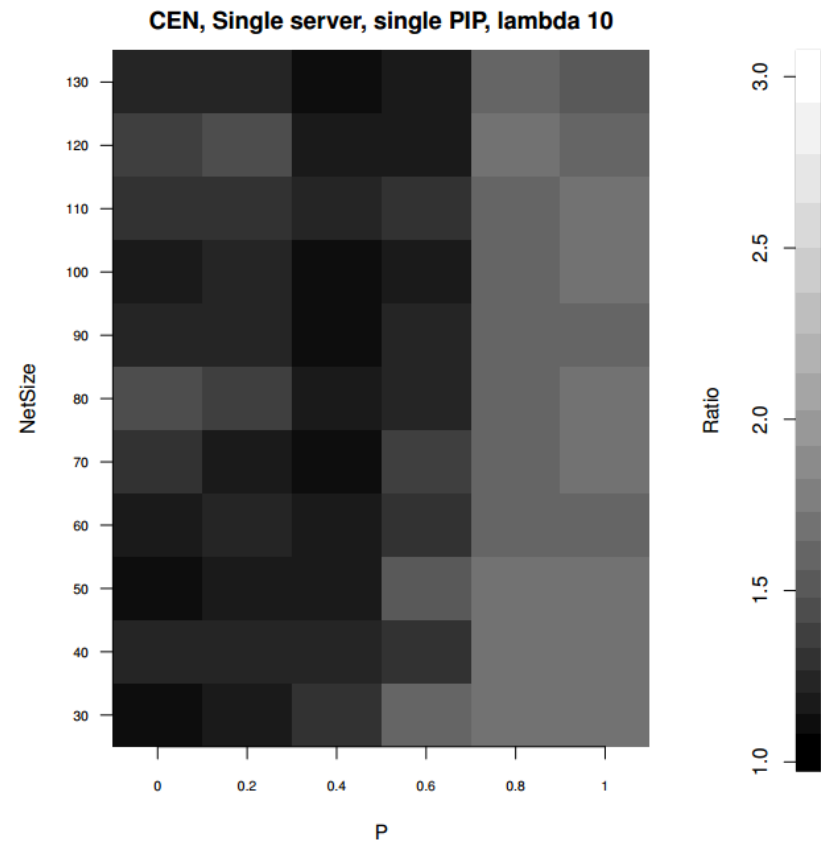
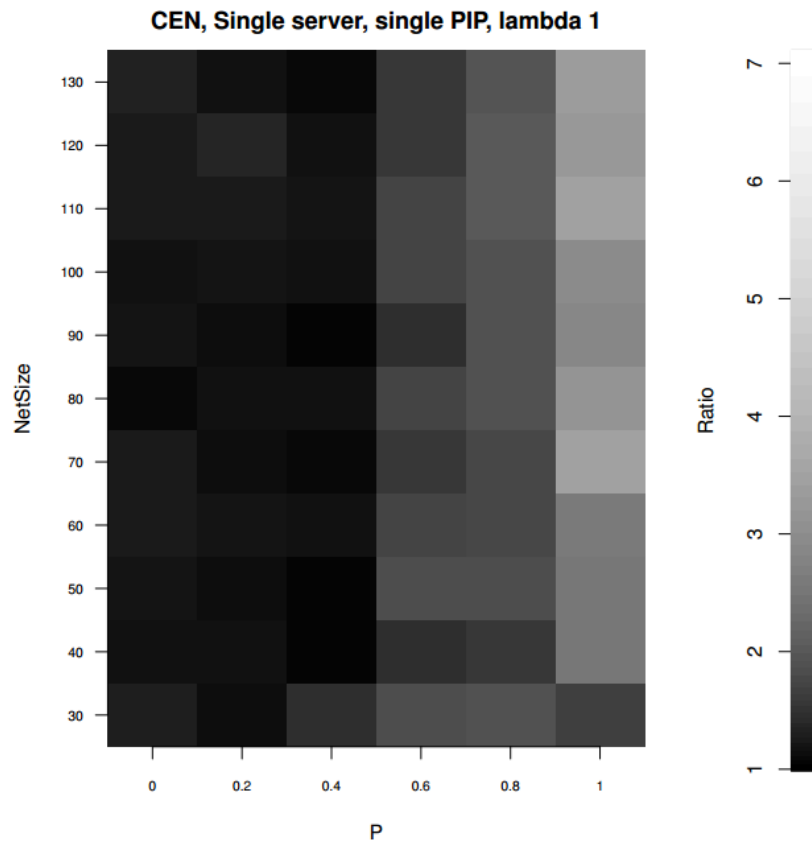


Static Algorithm

Algorithm which uses optimal static server placements for a given request seq.



Results.



Competitive ratio generally relatively low. Increases for more correlated requests and more dynamics.



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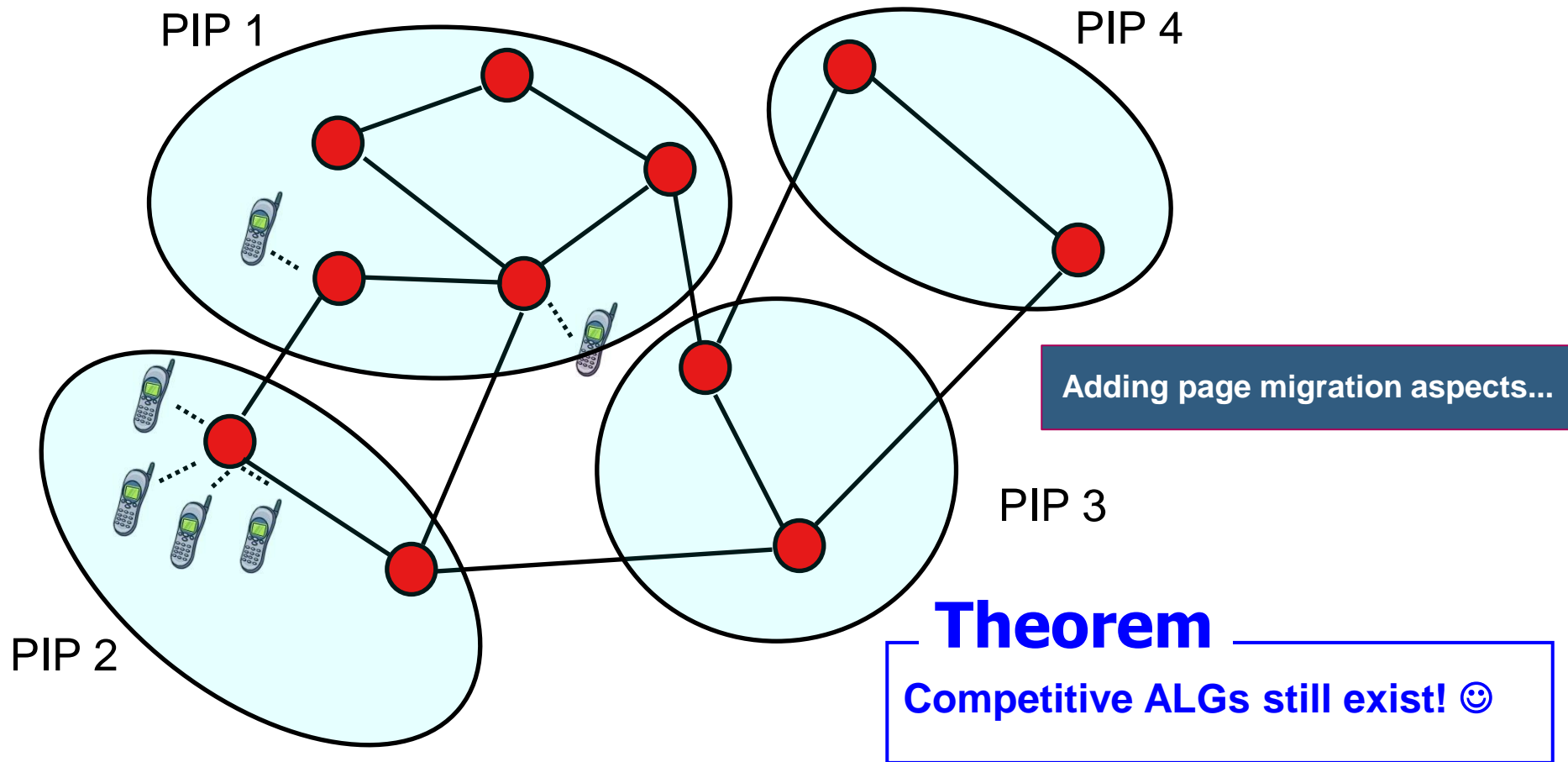
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 - Depending on migration cost function more general (we have **graph access costs**) and less general (we allow for **migration discounts**)
 - E.g., **uniform space metrical task system**: migration costs constant, but access costs more general than graph distances! Lower bound of **$\log(n)$** vs **$\log(n)/\log\log(n)$** upper bound in our case.
- Online Page Migration
 - Classical online problem from the 80ies; we generalize cost function to distance discounts, while keeping $O(1)$ -competitive

Our work lies between!



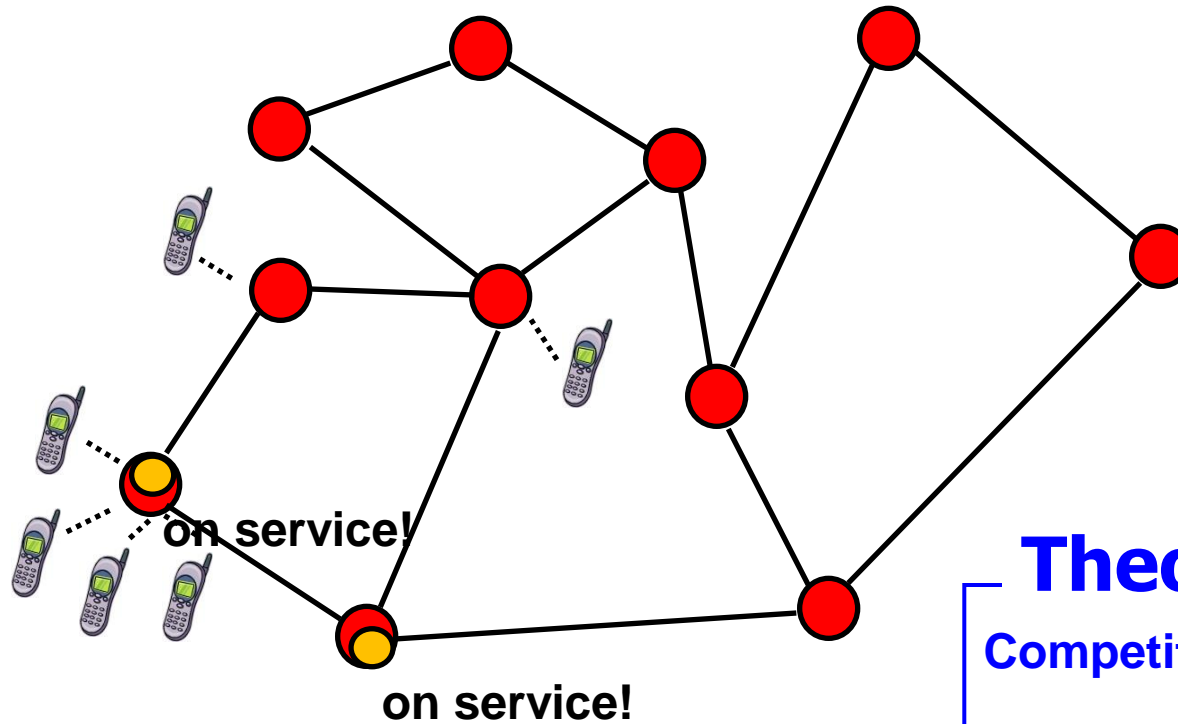
Extension: Inter-Provider Migration.

Migration across provider boundary costs **transit/roaming costs** (# transit providers), detailed topology not known, etc.



Extension: Multiple Servers.

Multiple servers allocated and migrated dynamically depending on demand and **load**, servers have **running costs**, etc.



Theorem
Competitive ALGs still exist! ☺

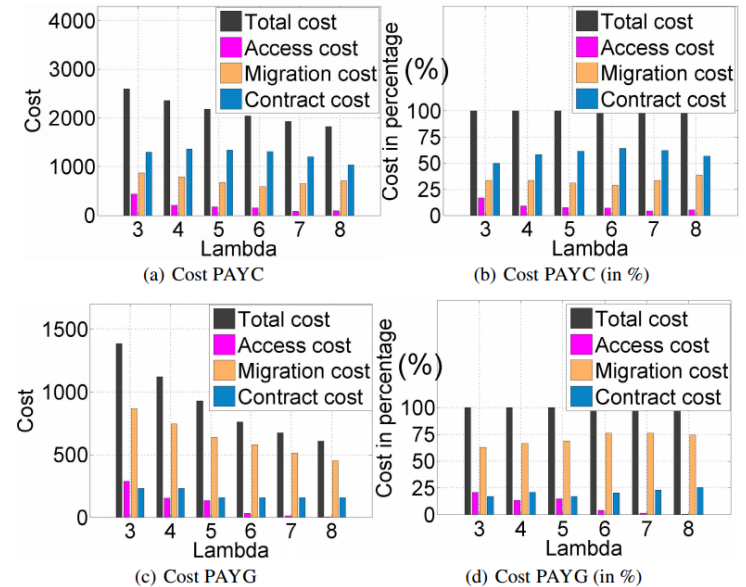
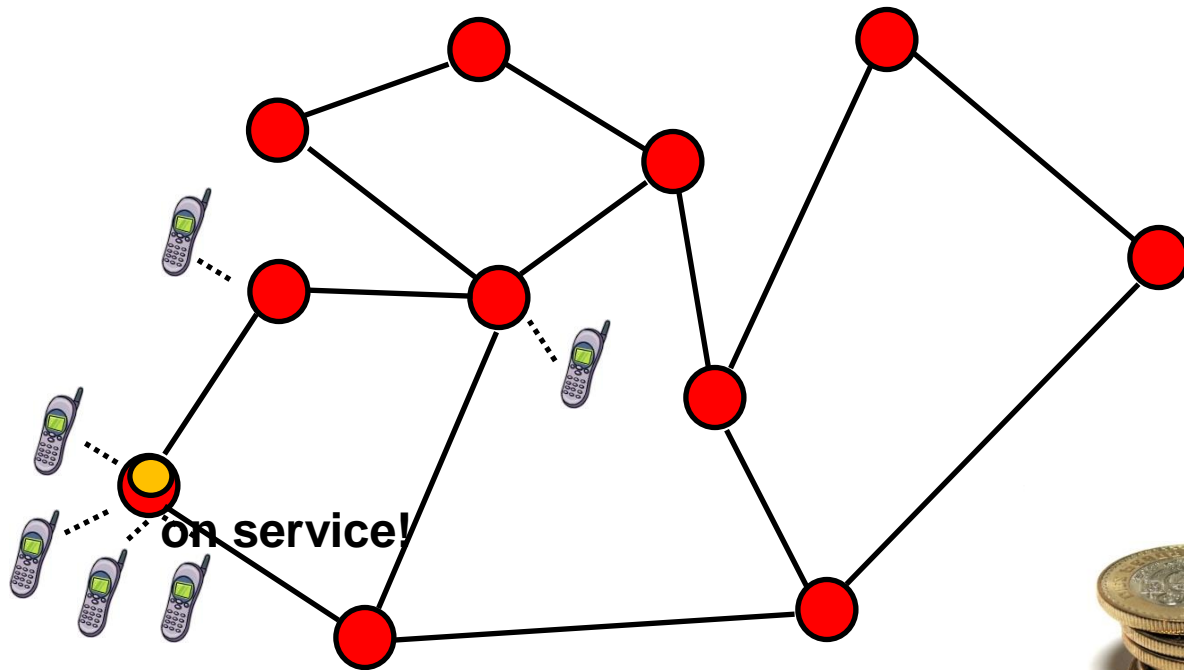


Extension: Economical Aspects.

Hu et al.: ICDCN 2013

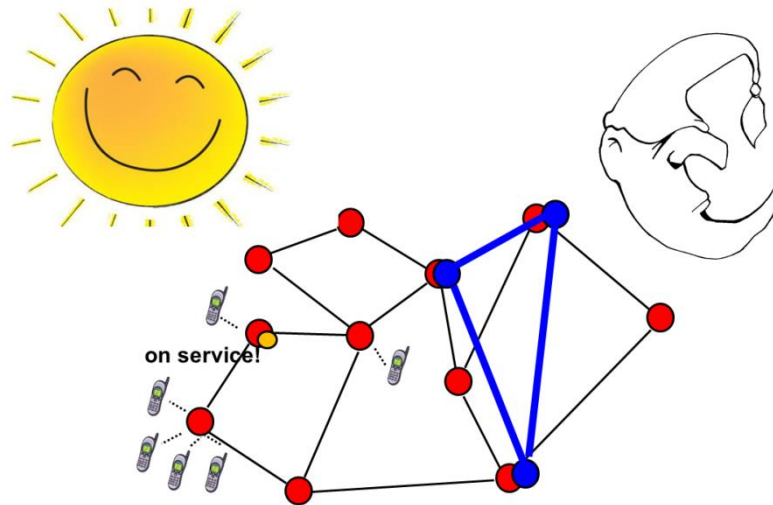
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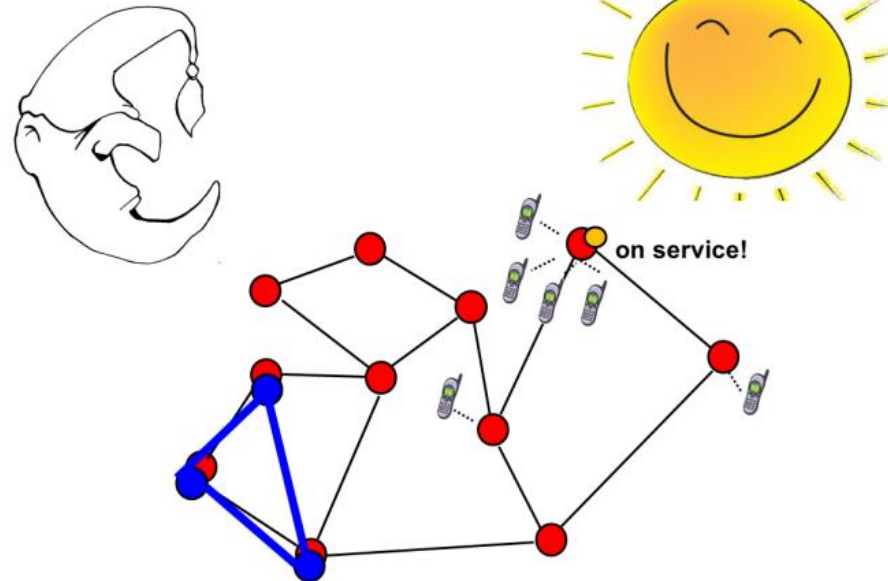
Migration of Entire CloudNets.

INFOCOM Demo 2013



2 pm in Europe

**Latency-resource
tradeoffs: move-with-the-
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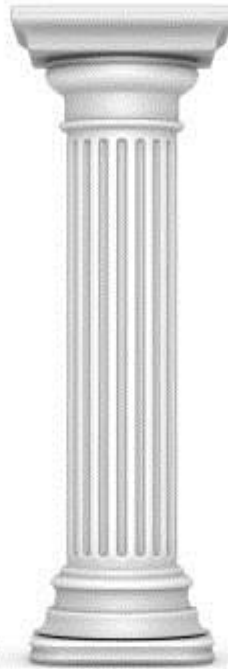


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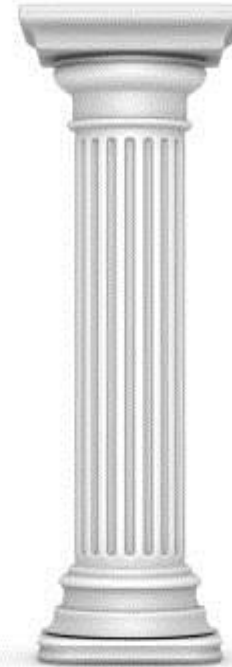
**Access Control
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Service Migration

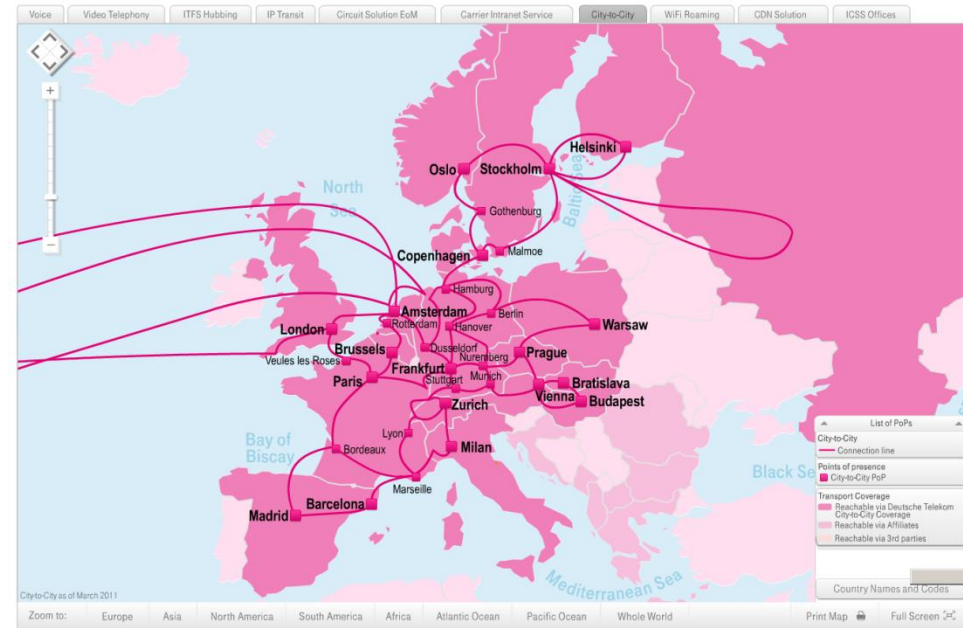
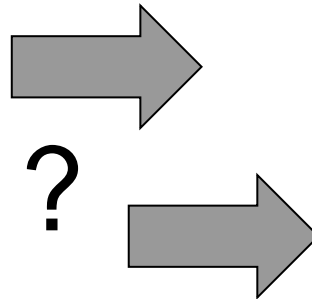
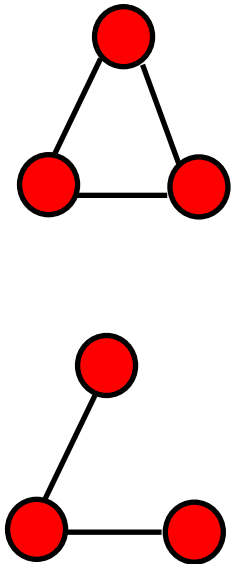


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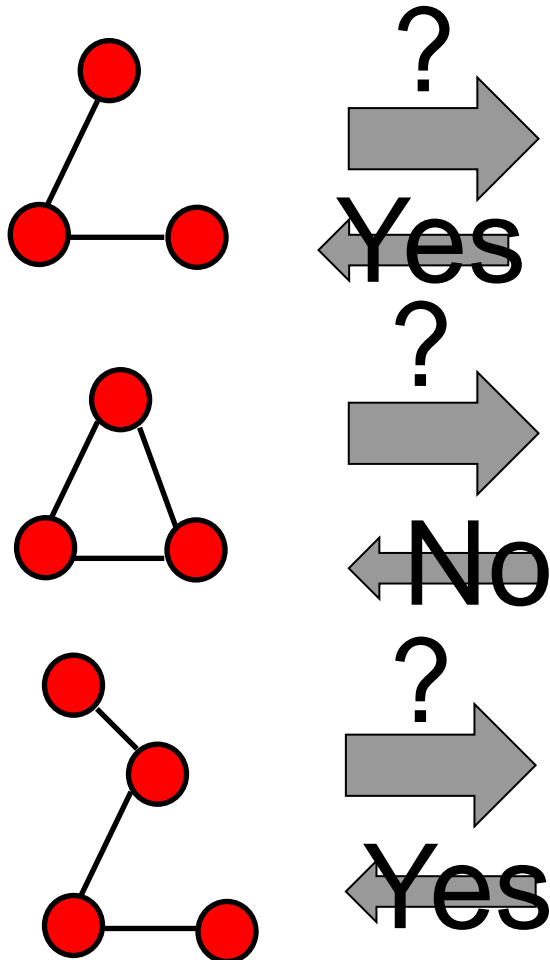
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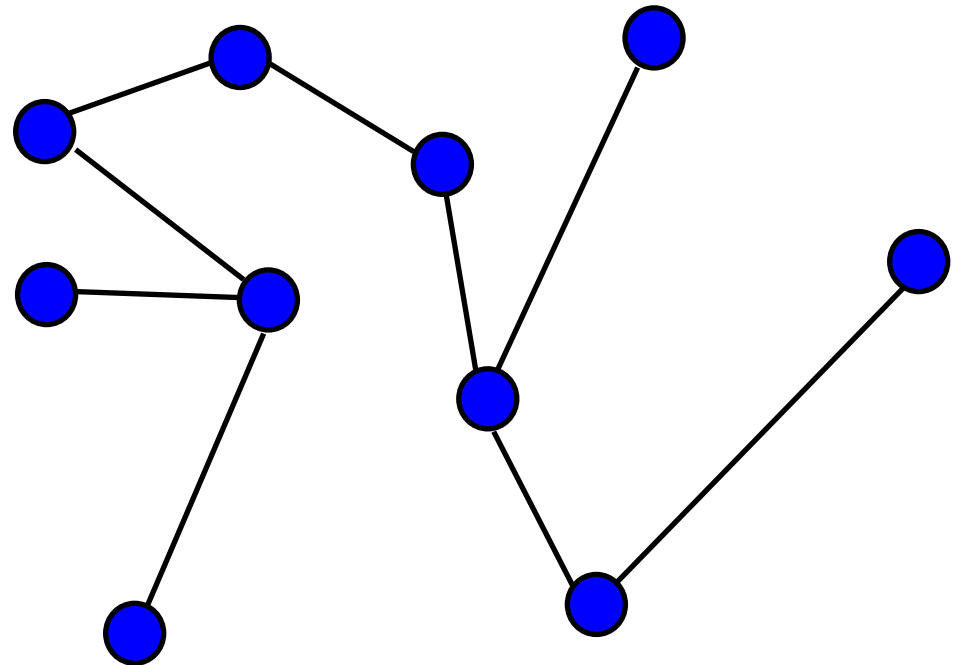
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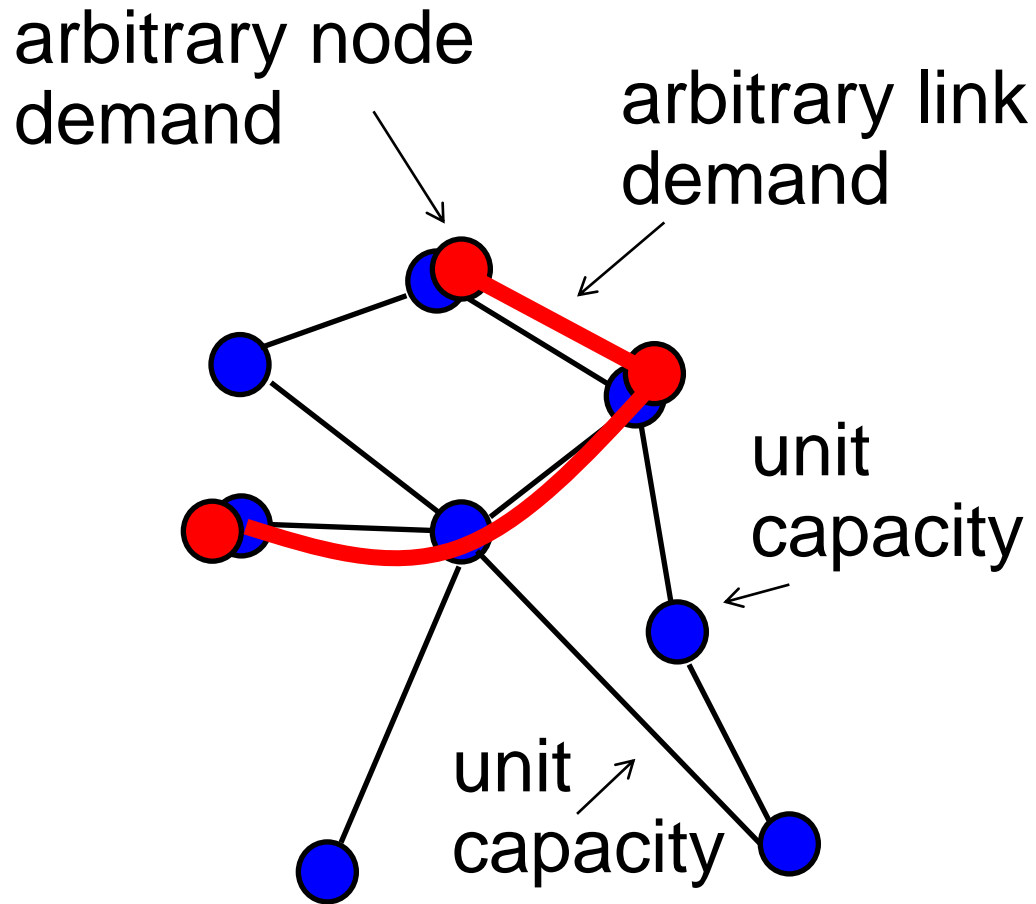


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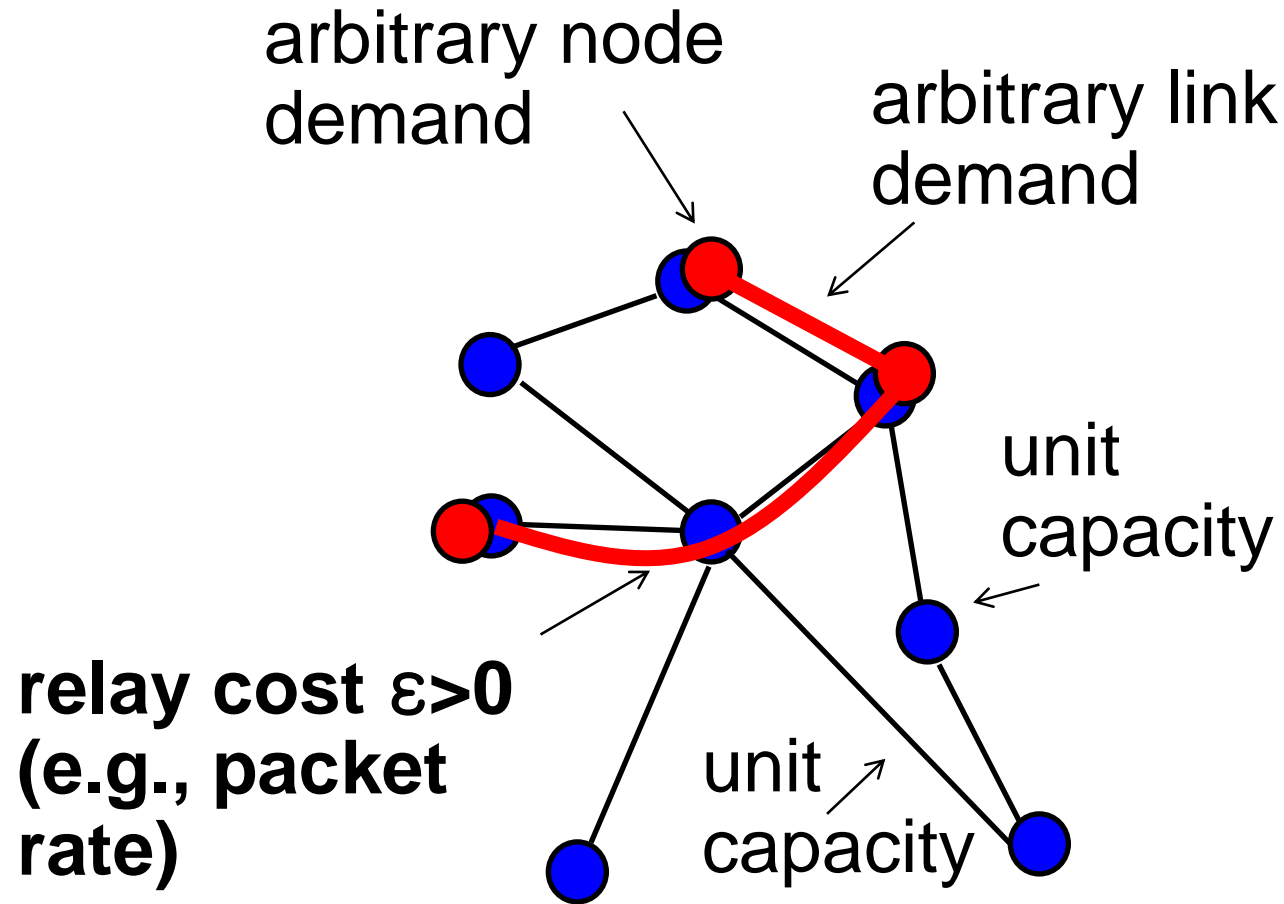
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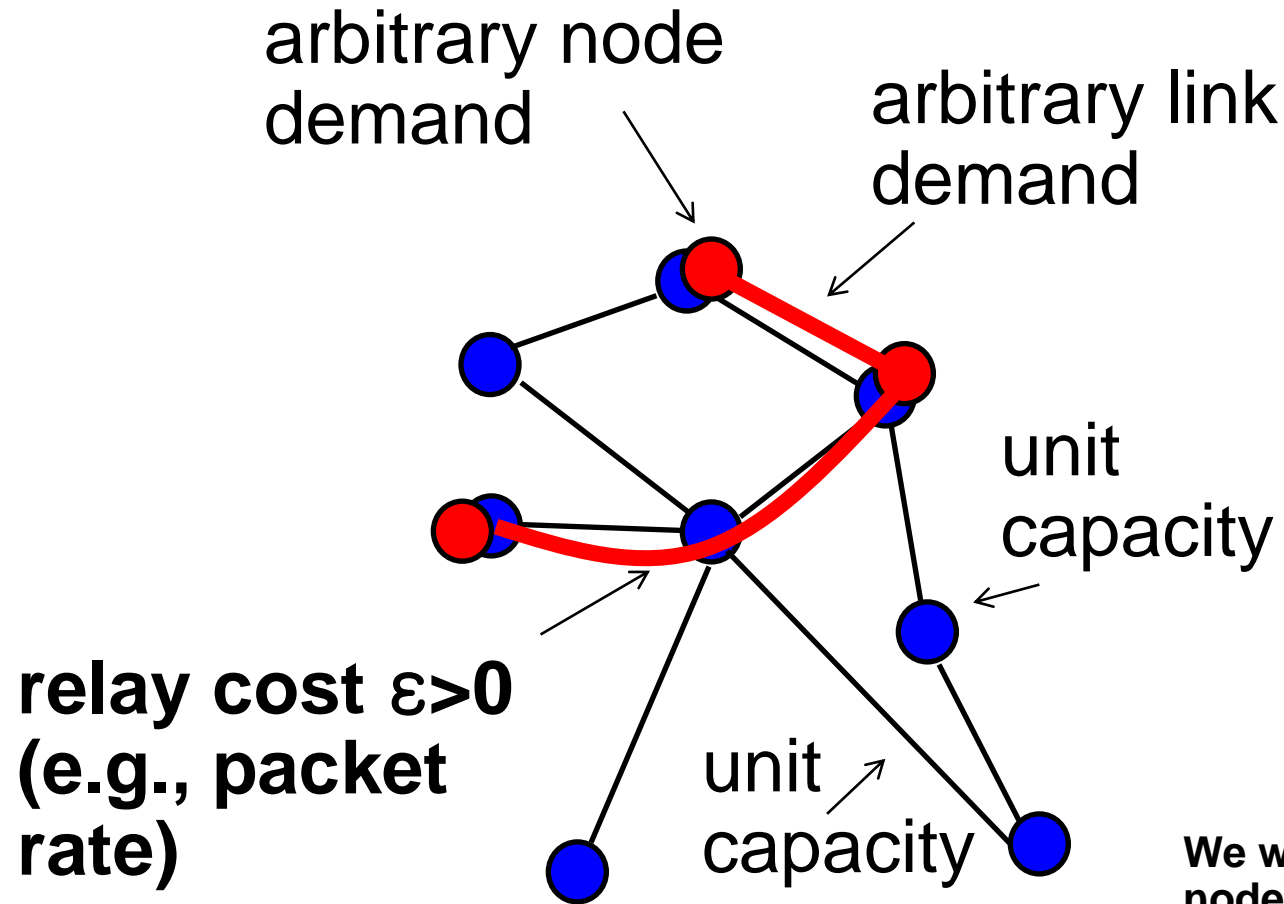
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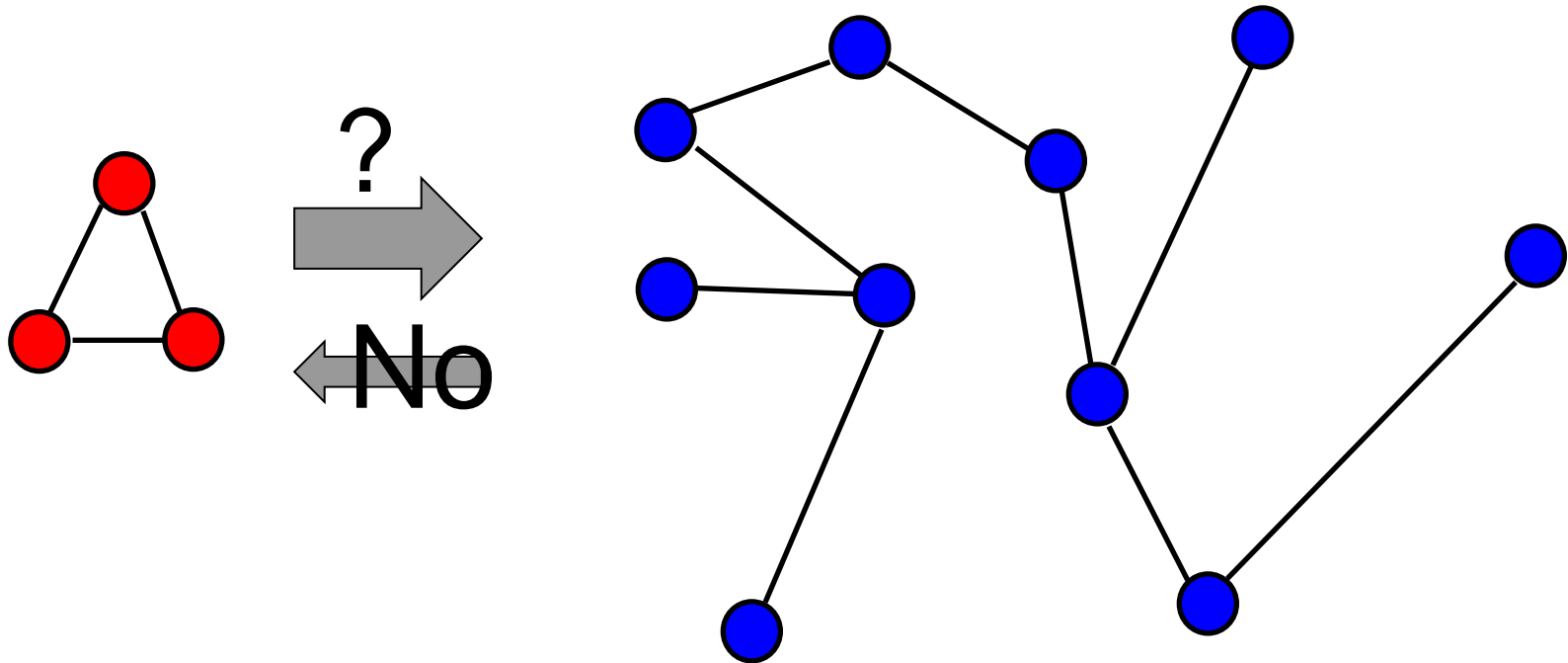


We will ask for unit capacities on nodes and links!
Essentially a **graph immersion** problem: disjoint paths for virtual links...



Some Properties Simple...

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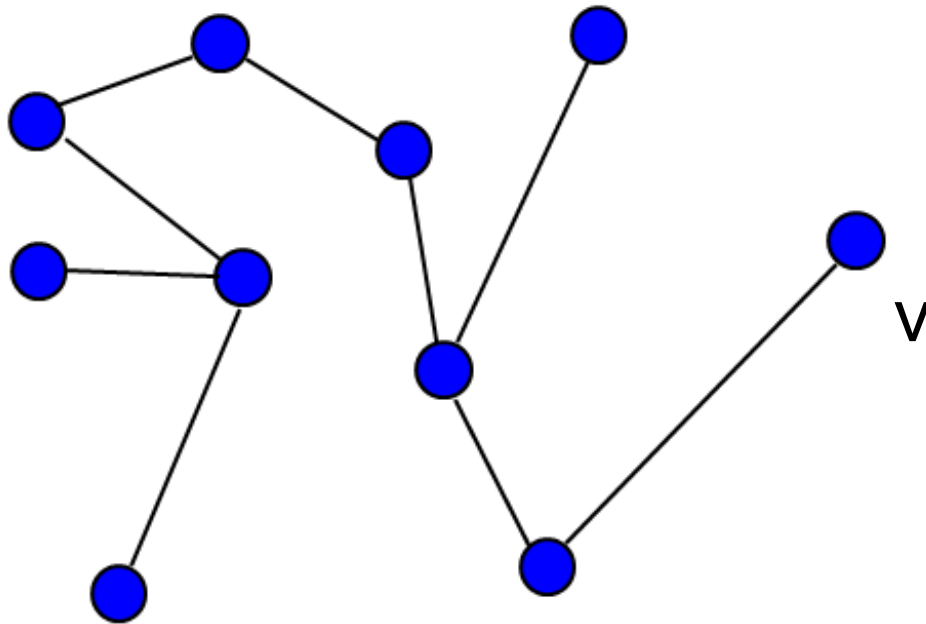


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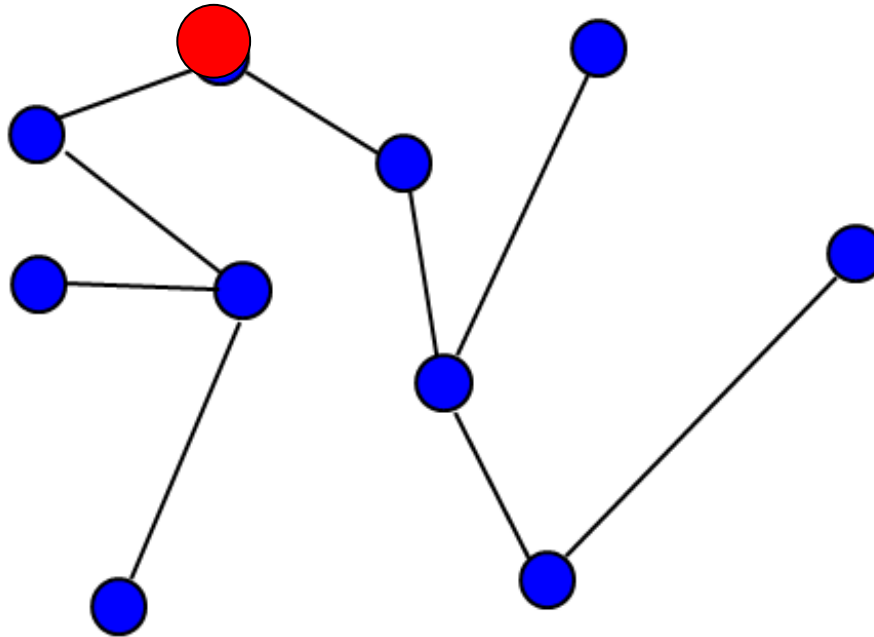


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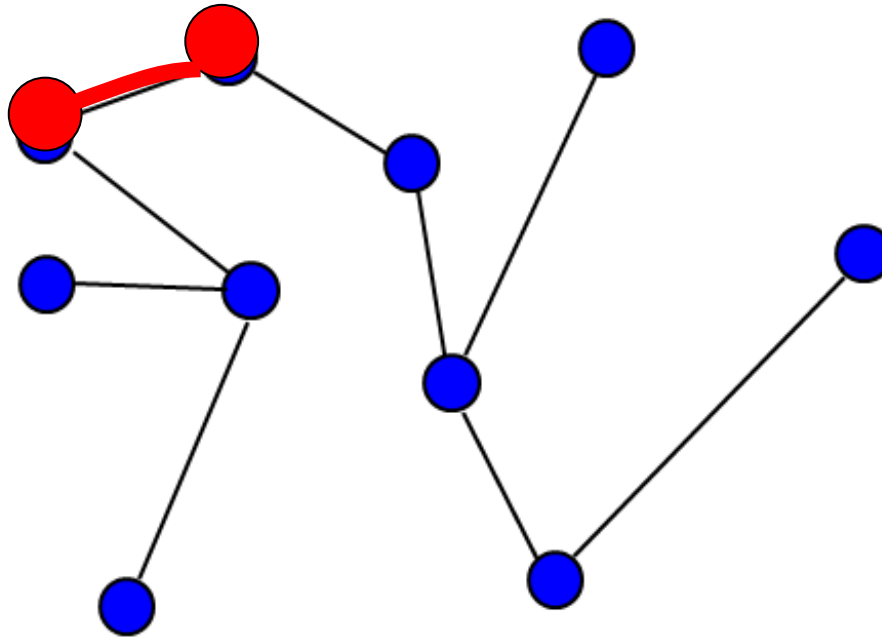


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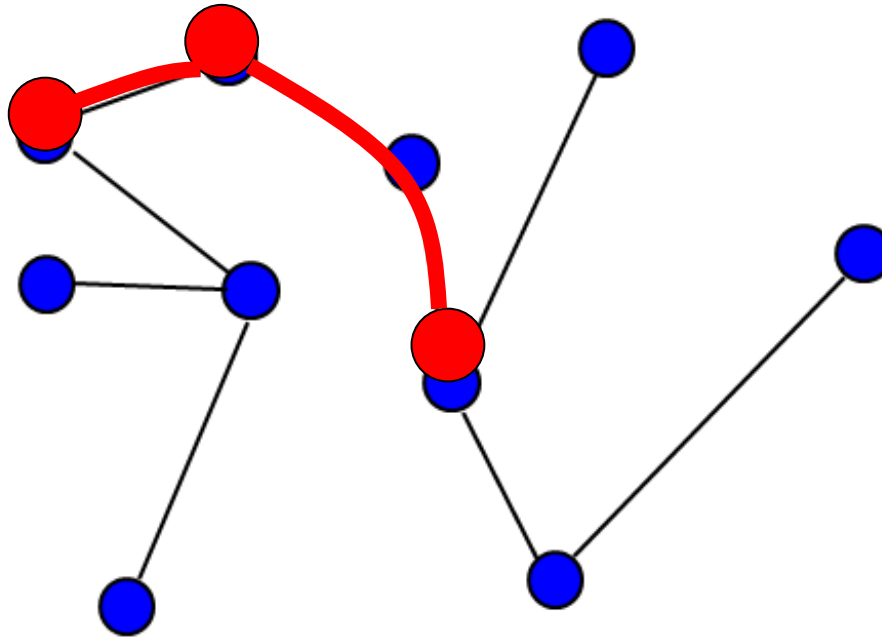


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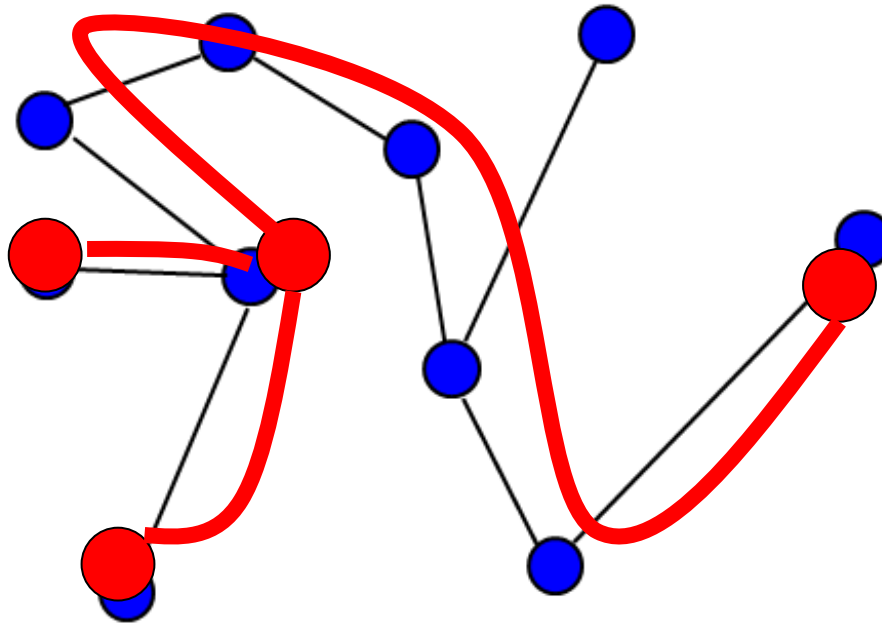


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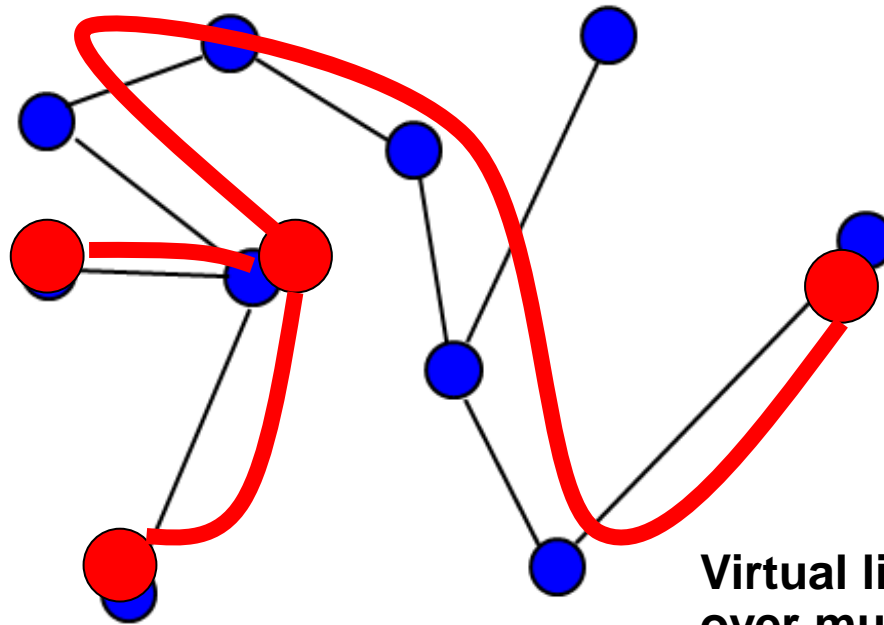


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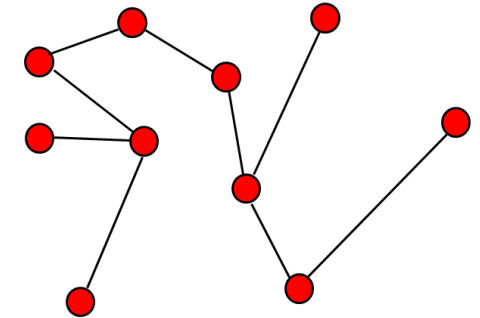
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Virtual links may be embedded over multiple physical links!



Tree Solution: Graph Growing.

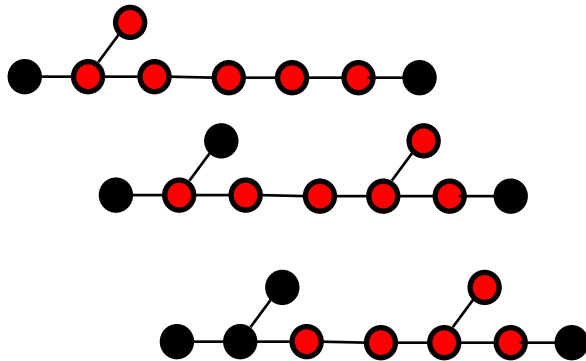


TREE ALGORITHM: line strategy

1. Binary search on longest path («anchor»):



2. Last and first node *explored*, explore «branches» at pending nodes



Analysis: Amortized analysis on links:
Per discovered physical link at most one query, plus at most one per physical node (no incident links).

Algorithm 1 Tree Discovery: TREE

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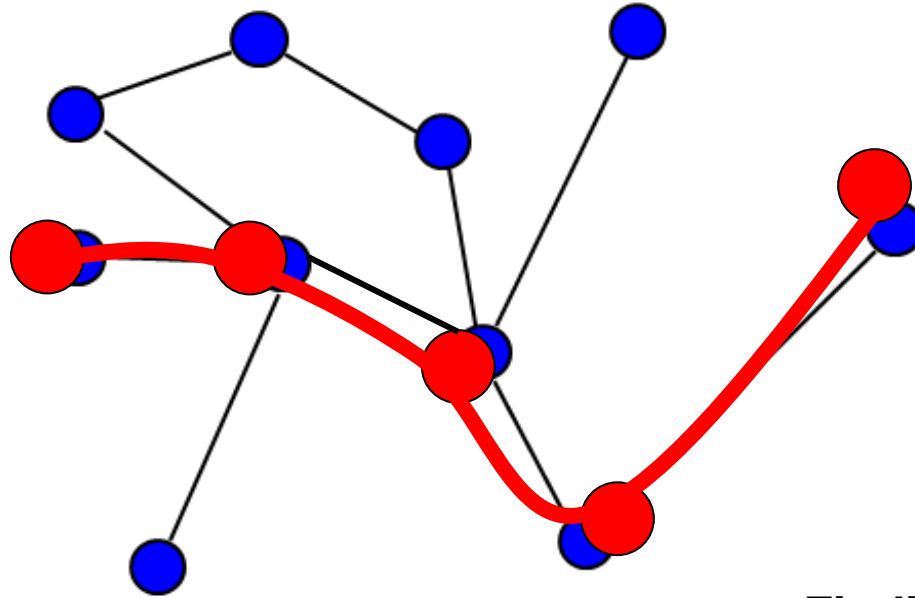
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5: return  $S$ 

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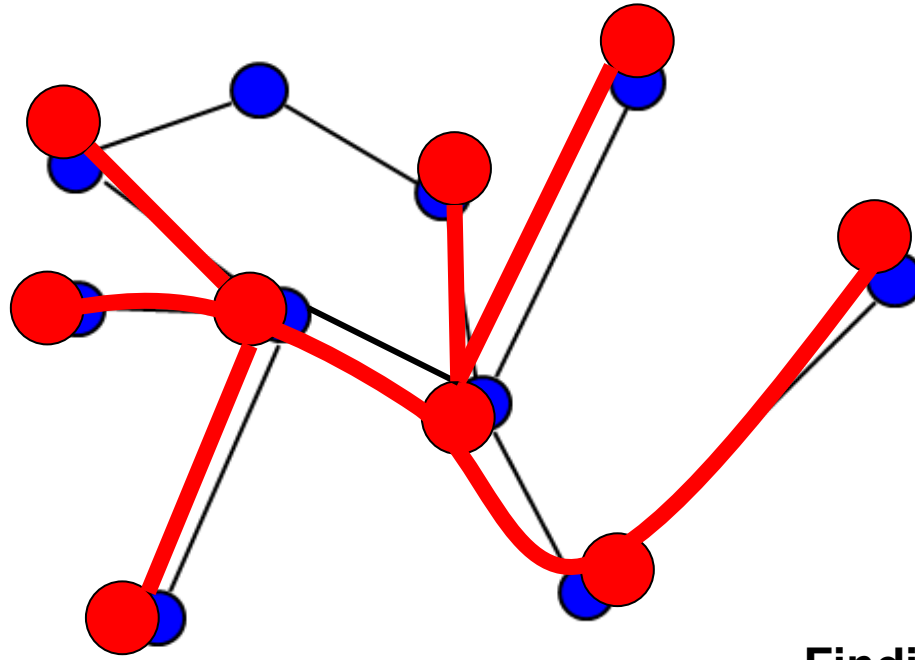
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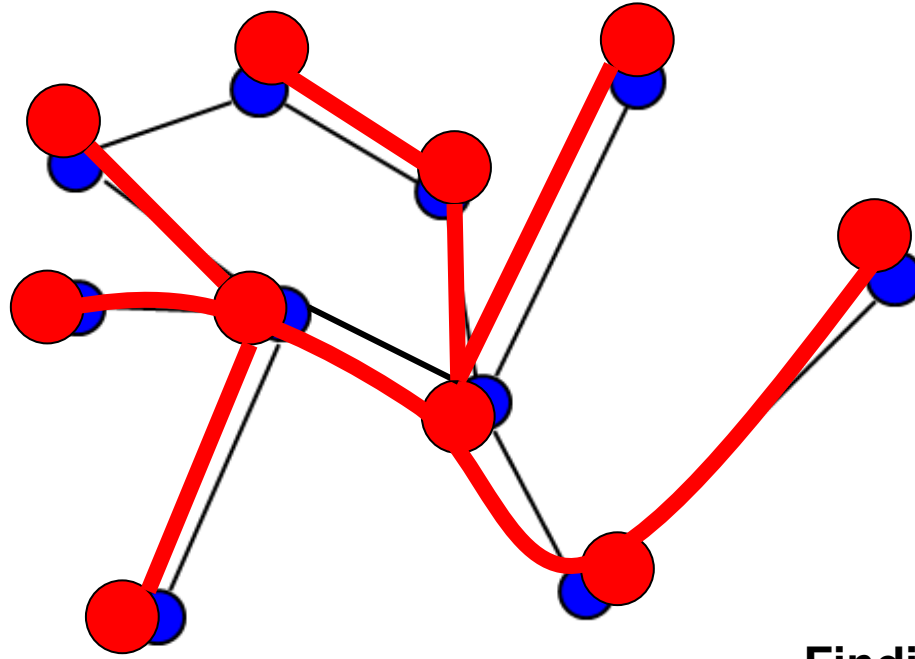
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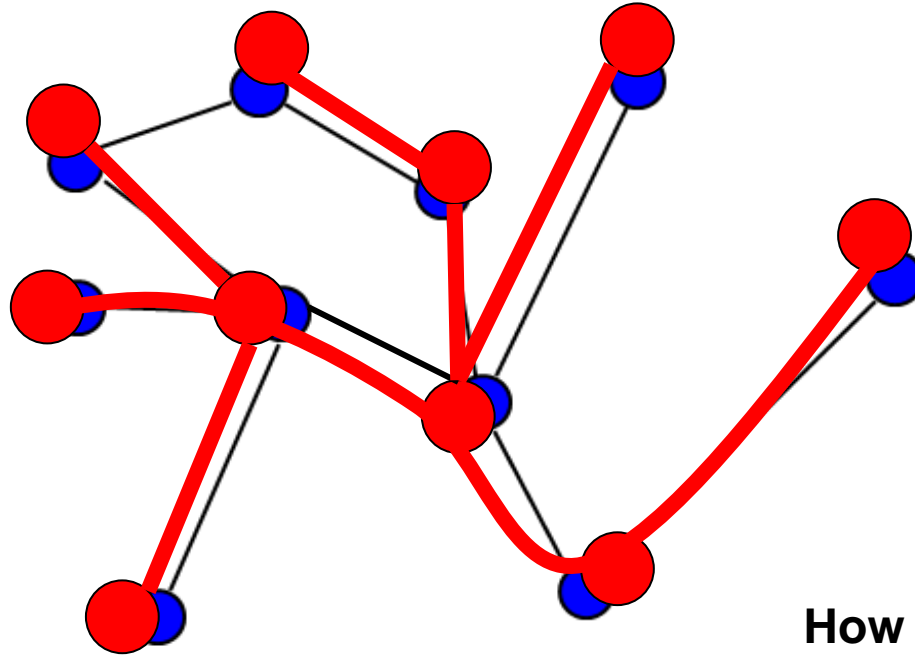
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Finding more neighbors...



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Adding connections between existing CloudNet nodes is expensive: try all pairs!

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Take-aways:

- (1) Allocate resources on all links of highly connected components first: finding these links later is expensive.
- (2) In particular, if graph X can be embedded on Y , try to embed Y first!

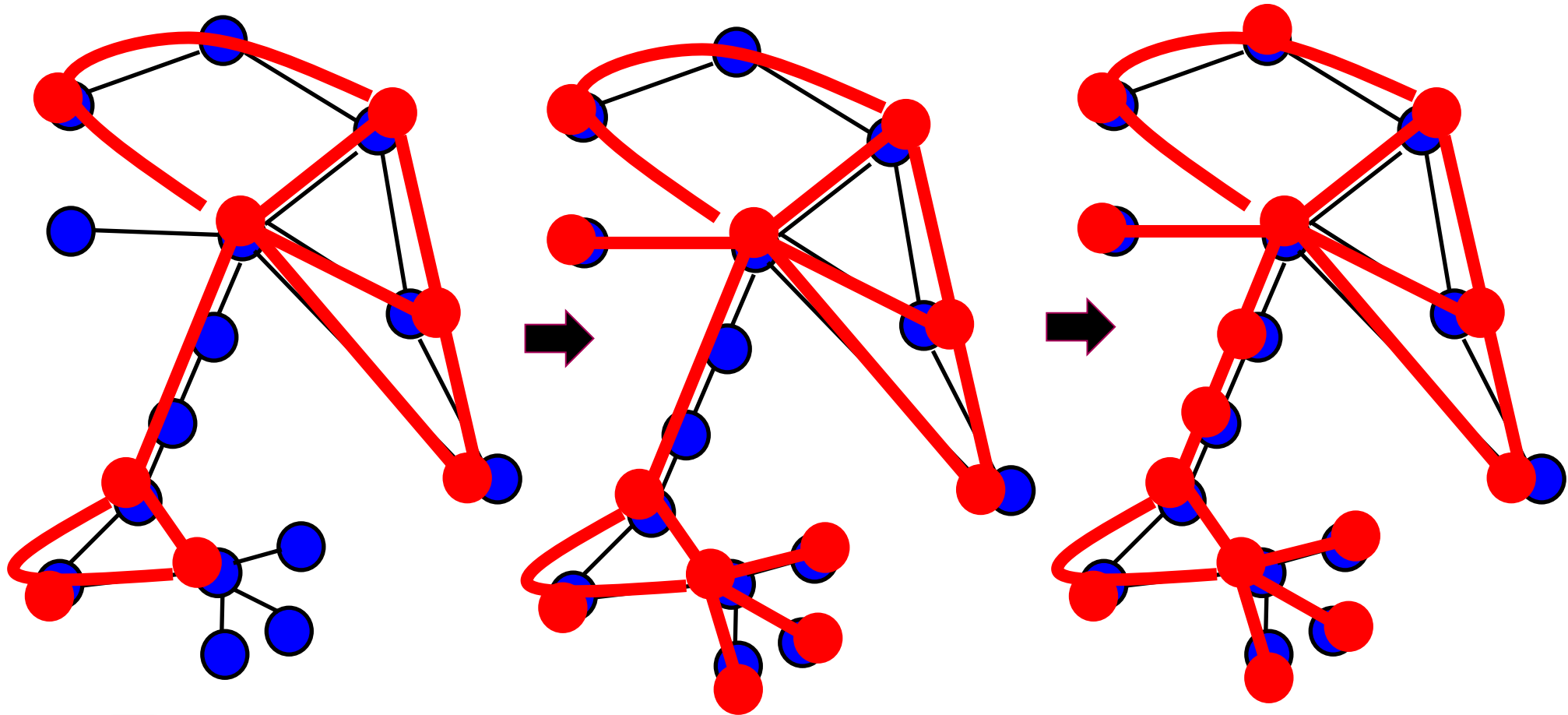
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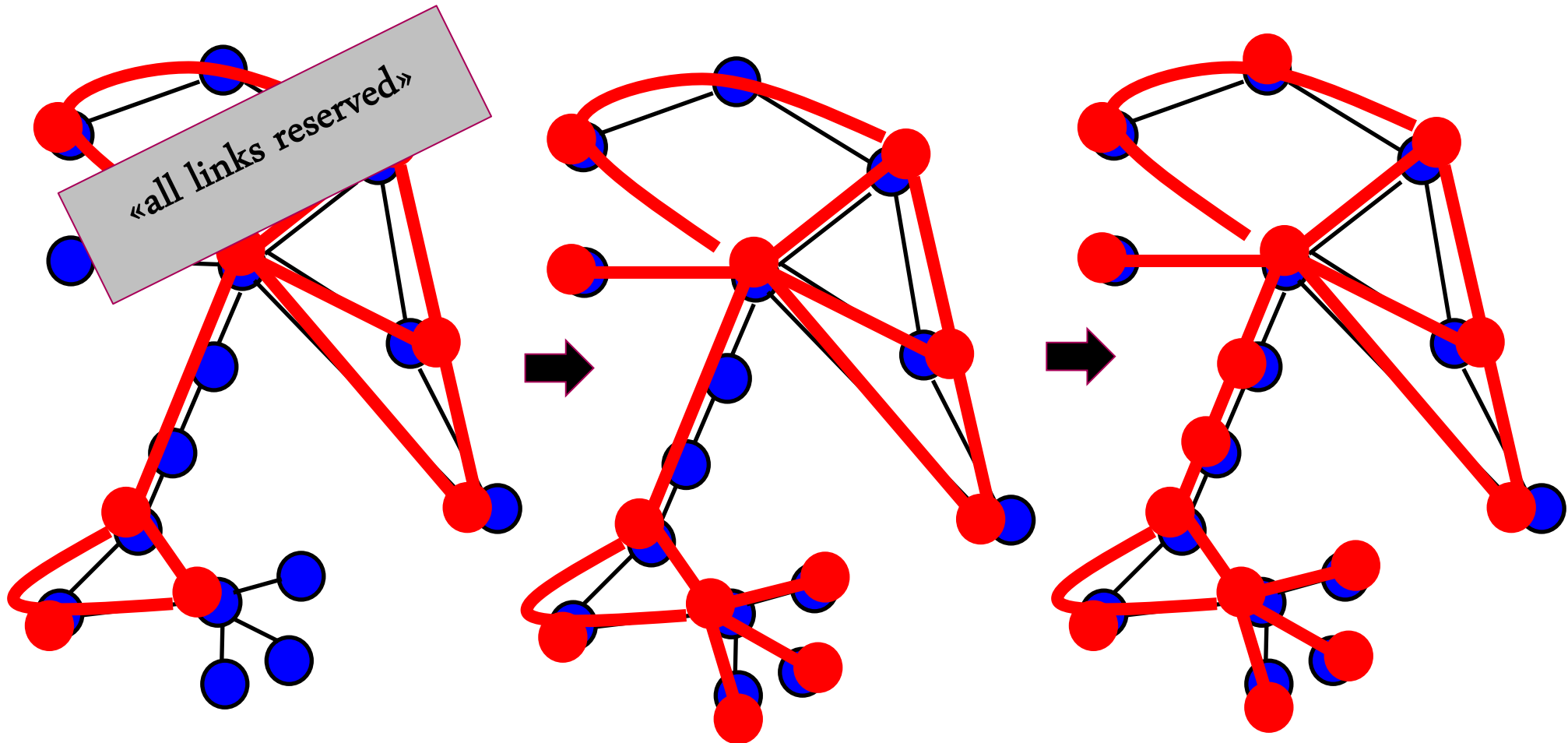
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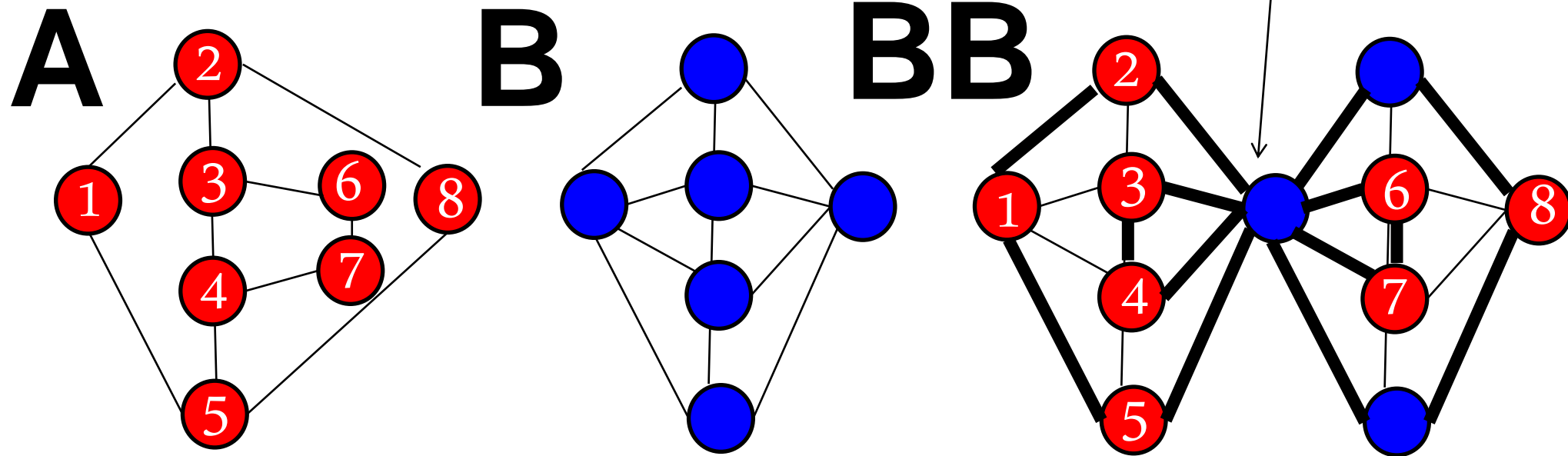


Greedy Graph Growing on General Graphs? (3)

Idea: Ask graph «motif» only if it's guaranteed that it cannot be embedded over a more highly connected subgraph! (And connectivity has to be added later.)

Careful: What goes first also depends on entire motif sequences!

- A cannot be embedded into B and B cannot be embedded into A
- But A can be embedded into BB!



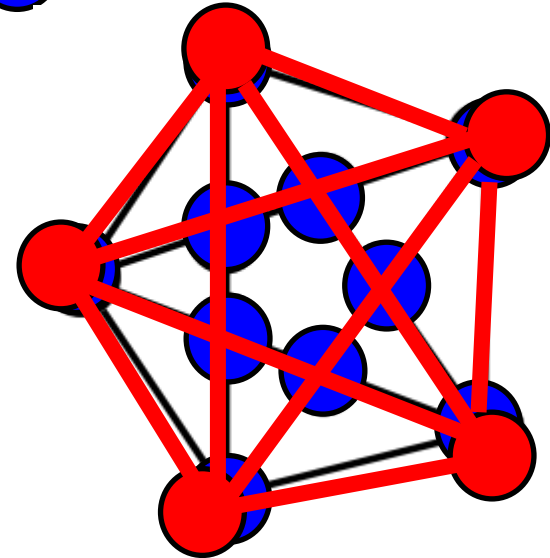
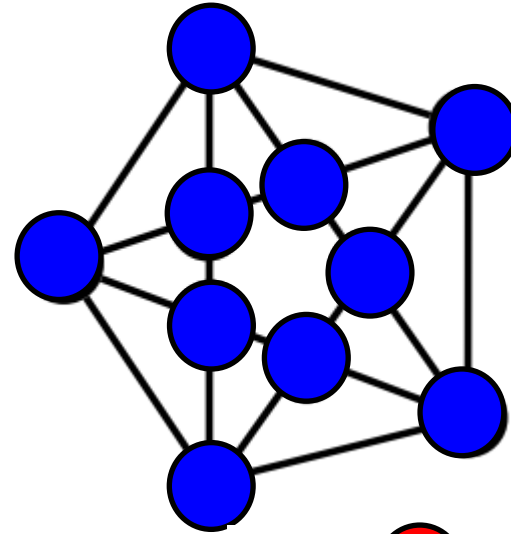
Remark.

Minor vs embedding:

Even with unit link capacity, for small epsilon, graph A may be embeddable (\rightarrow) into graph B although A is not a minor of B!

Graph Minor

Graph A is a minor of B if A can be obtained from B by (1) deleting nodes, (2) deleting edges, or (3) contracting two nodes along edges.



Planar graph (and hence K5-minor free):
But K5 can be embedded here!



Dictionary Attack: Expansion Framework.

Motif

Basic “knittings” of the graph.

Dictionary

Define an **order** on motif sequences:
Constraints on which sequence to ask first
in order not to overlook a part of the
topology. (E.g., by embedding links across
multiple hops.)

Poset

Poset = partially ordered set

(1) Reflexive: $G \rightarrow G$

(2) Transitive: $G \rightarrow G'$ and $G' \rightarrow G''$, then $G \rightarrow G''$

(3) Antisymmetric: $G \rightarrow G'$ and $G' \rightarrow G$ implies $G = G'$ (isomorphic)

Framework

Explore branches according
to dictionary order,
exploiting poset property.

Examples

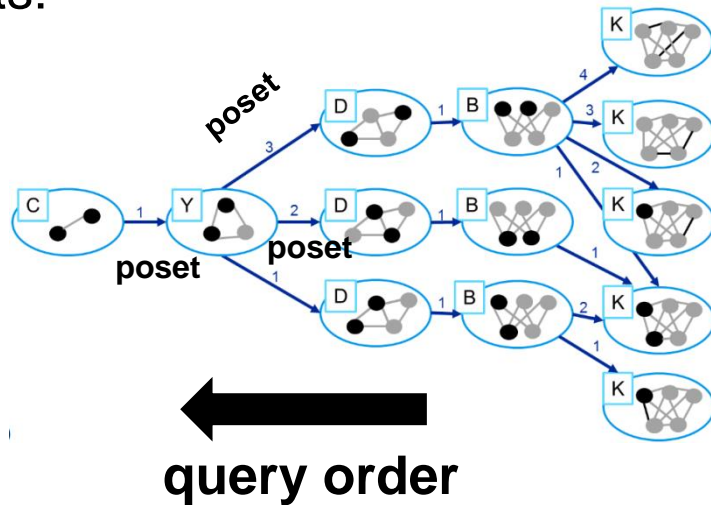
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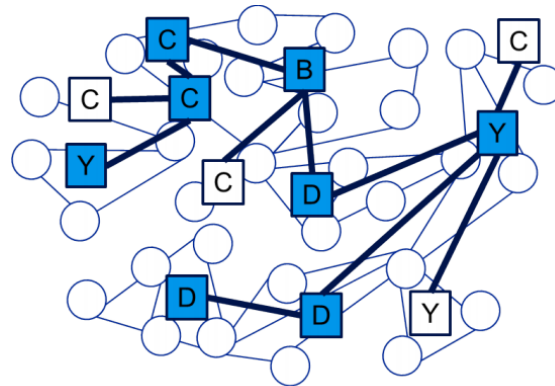
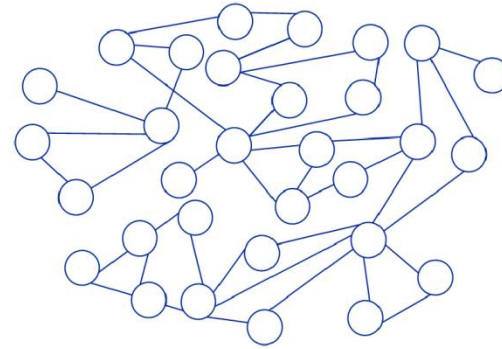


Dictionary Attack: Expansion Framework.

Dictionary dag (for chain C, cycle Y, diamond D, ...) with attachment points:



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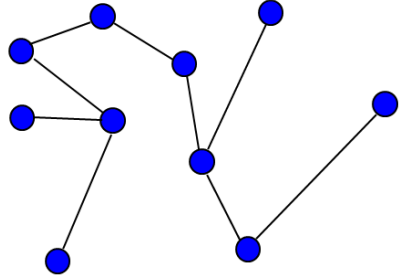


Complexity:

Depends on dictionary
depth and number of
attachment points



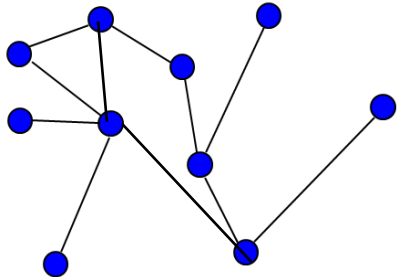
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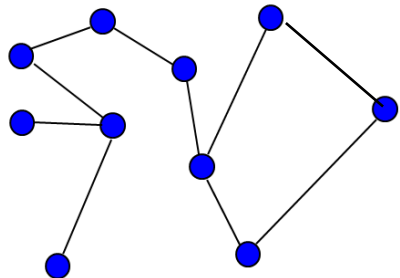
Lower bound: via number of possible trees and **binary** information.



General Graph

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(Edges directly does not work!)



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exploreSequence(v)

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1:  $S := \emptyset$ 
2: if  $G \vee YCY \mapsto H$  then
3:   find max  $j$  s.t.  $G \vee Y^jCY \mapsto H$ 
4:    $S := Y^jCY$ ,  $\mathcal{P}' := \{C\}$ 
5:   while  $\mathcal{P}' \neq \emptyset$  do
6:     for all  $C_i \in \mathcal{P}'$  do
7:        $A := \text{prefix}(C_i, S)$ ,  $B := \text{postfix}(C_i, S)$ ;
8:       if  $G \vee ACYCB \mapsto H$  then
9:         find max  $j, k$  s.t.  $G \vee AC(Y^jC)^kB \mapsto H$ 
10:        for  $l := 1, \dots, k$  do
11:           $\mathcal{P}'' := \mathcal{P}'' \cup \{C_l\}$ 
12:           $S := AC(Y^jC)^kB$ 
13:         $\mathcal{P}' := \mathcal{P}'', \mathcal{P}'' := \emptyset$ 
14:   if  $\text{request}(G \vee SY, H)$  then
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16:      $S := SY^j$ 
17:   if  $\text{request}(G \vee SC, H)$  then
18:      $S := SC$ 
19:   return  $S$ 

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edgeExpansion(e)

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Poset

Partially ordered
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Framework

Explore branches
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Algorithm 5 Motif Graph Discovery DICT

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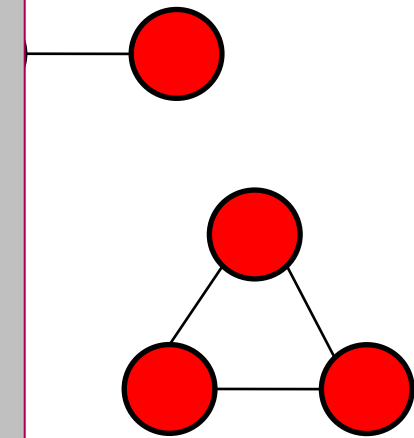
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2: if  $(i, j, BF, AF) = (0, 0, C, \emptyset)$  then
3:   return  $T^< \vee C T^>$ 
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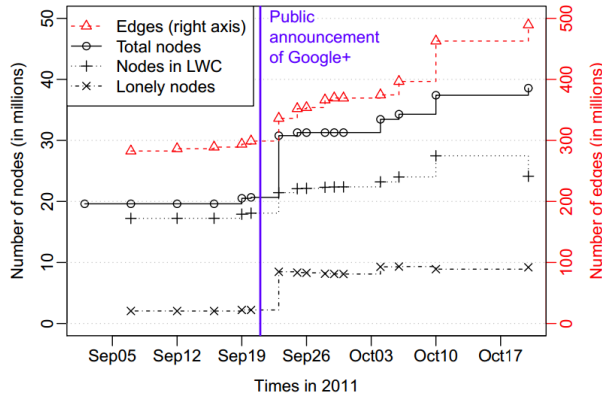
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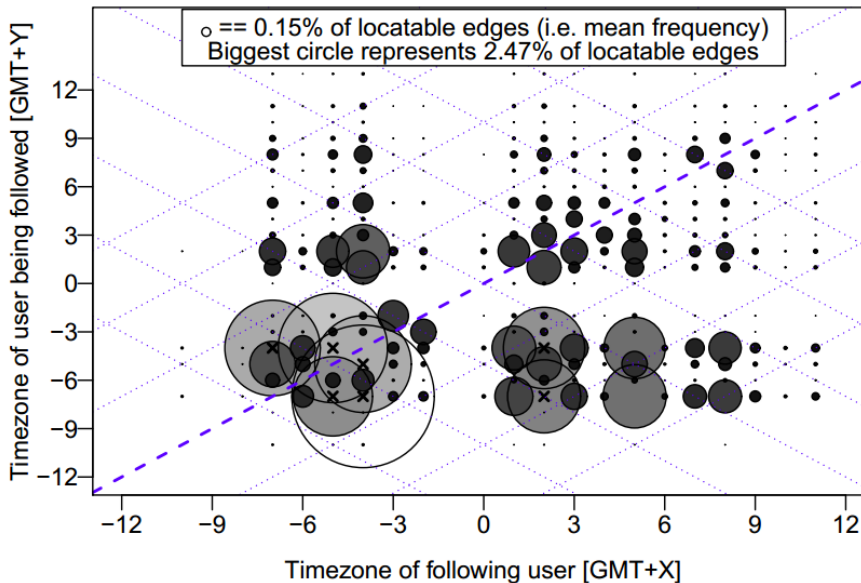


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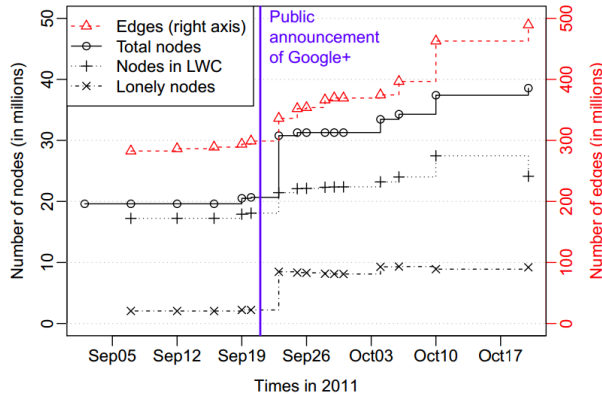
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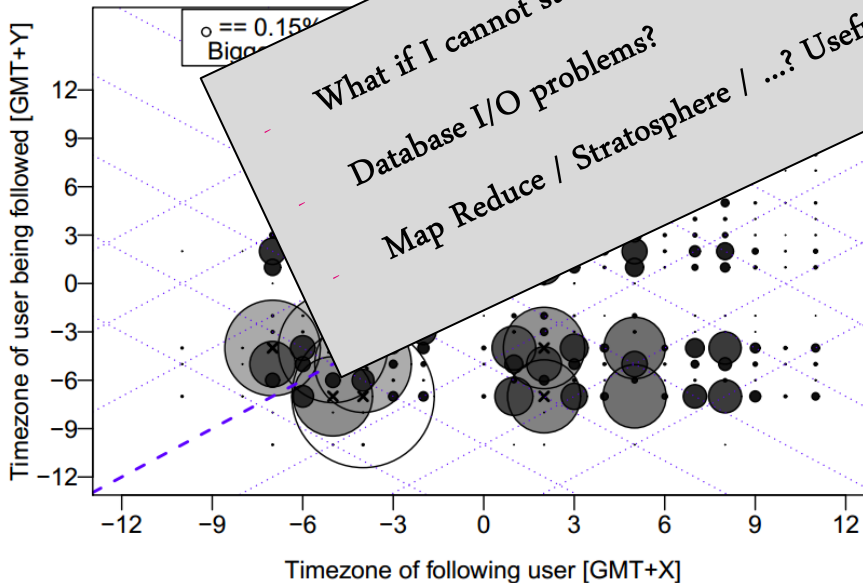
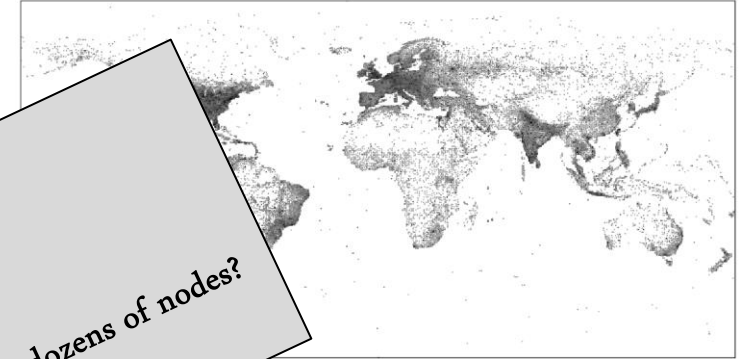


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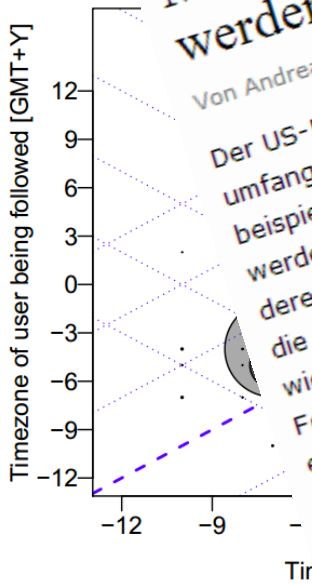
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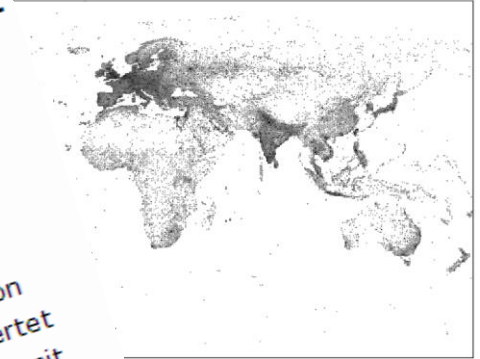
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Rüstungskonzern entwickelt Software, mit der Social-Media-Daten zusammengeführt und durchsucht werden können, für die 'nationale Sicherheit'

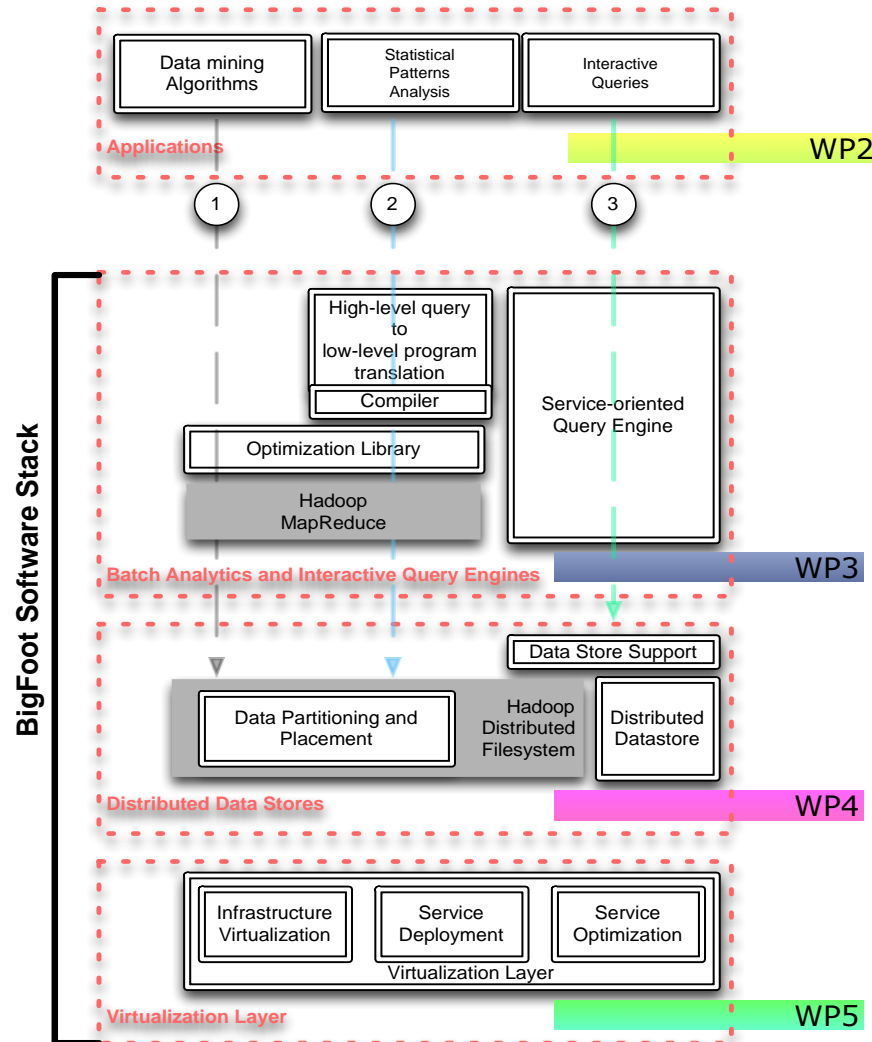
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Der US-Rüstungs- und Elektronikkonzern Raytheon arbeitet laut Guardian an einer umfangreichen Software zur Durchleuchtung von Internetnutzern, indem Daten von beispielsweise Facebook, Twitter and Foursquare zusammengeführt und ausgewertet werden. RIOT - Rapid Information Overlay Technology - heißt die Suchmaschine, mit deren Hilfe aus Social-Media-Daten ermittelt werden soll, ob eine Person ein Risiko für die nationale Sicherheit darstellt. Der Guardian zeigt in einem Firmenvideo von Raytheon, wie der Konzern an einem Mitarbeiter die Fähigkeiten von RIOT demonstriert. Aus dessen Foursquare Check-ins wird eine Grafik der 10 Orte erstellt, an denen er am häufigsten eincheckt und schnell lässt sich erkennen, dass er meist montags um 6:00 Uhr im Fitnessstudio ist. Wer ihn oder seinen Laptop also mal erwischen wolle, könne dann ja dort vorbeischaun, so der 'principal investigator' von Raytheon, Brian Urch.

Es gibt ebenfalls eine "Personensuche", die Kontakte auf Twitter und anderen Plattformen in einer Netzwerkgrafik anzeigt und so Vernetzungen von Personen sichtbar macht. Bei all diesen Daten handelt es sich zwar um öffentlich einsehbare Informationen - problematisch ist allerdings die einfache Möglichkeit verschiedene Quellen zusammenzuführen.



BigFoot Architecture.



Testbed:

- Hadoop (maybe Stratosphere)
- OpenStack resource management (+ own cloud operating system)
- OpenFlow (link virtualization)



Conclusion.

- CloudNets:
 - Elastic computing and networking
 - Federated architecture
- Competitive analysis: a framework to design and prove performance of online algorithms
- Good when:
 - No reliable prediction models exist
 - No data available
 - **Worst case** guarantees matter
- Examples: online embedding and service migration
- Fully incorporated in prototype

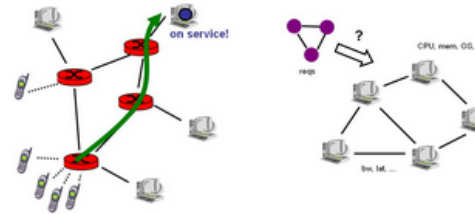


The Project Website.

Combining Clouds with Virtual Networking

The CloudNet Project

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- Watch on YouTube: migration demonstrator [video!](#)
- We are looking for students and interns with good algorithmic background to contribute to Virtul! [Contact us](#) for more details or have a look at some [open topics](#).

Project Overview

CloudNets are virtual networks (VNets) connecting cloud resources. The **network virtualization** paradigm allows to run multiple CloudNets on top of a shared physical infrastructure. These CloudNets can have different properties (provide different security or QoS guarantees, run different protocols, etc.) and can be managed independently of each other. Moreover, (parts of) a CloudNet can be migrated dynamically to locations where the service is most useful or most cost efficient (e.g., in terms of energy conservation). Depending on the circumstances and the technology, these migrations can be done live and without interrupting ongoing sessions. The flexibility of the paradigm and the decoupling of the services from the underlying resource networks has many advantages; for example, it facilitates a more efficient use of the given resources, it promises faster innovations by overcoming the ossification of today's Internet architecture, it simplifies the network management, and it can improve service performance.

We are currently developing a **prototype system** for this paradigm (currently based on VLANs), which raises many scientific challenges. For example, we address the problem of where to embed CloudNet requests (e.g., see [1] for online CloudNet embeddings and [2] for a general mathematical embedding program), or devise algorithms to migrate CloudNets to new locations (e.g., due to user mobility) taking into account the



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■ Publications

- **Prototype:** J. Information Technology 2013, ICCCN 2012, ERCIM News 2012, SIGCOMM VISA 2009
- **Migration:** ToN 2013, INFOCOM 2013, ICDCN 2013 + Elsevier TCS Journal, Hot-ICE 2011, IPTComm 2011, SIGCOMM VISA 2010
- **Embedding:** IPDPS 2014, OPODIS 2013, CLOUDNETS 2013 (*Best Paper*), INFOCOM 2013 (Mini-Conference), CLOUDNETS 2012, 2 x ACM UCC 2012, DISC 2012, ICDCN 2012 (*Best Paper Distributed Computing Track*)



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