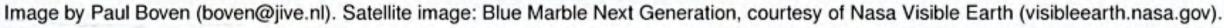
Bandwidth on Demand and e-VLBI: Progress in NEXPReS







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e-EVN Network Overview

Telescope	CC	Bandwidth	RTT (ms)
Sheshan	CN	1G LP (512M to LP)	354 / 180
ATNF	AU	1G LP	343
Hartebeesthoek	SA	2G LP	239
Arecibo	PR	256M / 512M VLAN	154
TIGO	CL	95M R (on demand)	150
Noto	ΙΤ	1G LP	53,8
Yebes	ES	10G R	42,1
Torun	PL	1G LP / 10G R	34,9
Onsala	SE	10G VLAN path	34,2
Metsahovi	FI	10G R	32,7
Medicina	ΙΤ	10G R	28,4
Jodrell Bank	UK	3x 1G LP	18,6
Effelsberg	DE	10G shared VLAN	13,5
WSRT	NL	2x 1G CWDM	0,57

e-EVN Network Update

- Hartebeesthoek: now a 2Gb/s LP via Africa east-coast undersea cable to Marseille, via GEANT (London) to JIVE
- Jodrell Bank from 2x 1G to 3x 1G (new 1G to e-Merlin)
- New: Noto (using 1Gb/s LP previously used by Medicina)
- Medicina now via routed connection (1024Mb/s)
- Yebes now has 10Gb/s fiber connection
- Sheshan back to 512Mb/s (was limited to 256Mb/s)
- Arecibo now 512Mb/s all hours
- Onsala from 1.5Gb/s to 10Gb/s (shared with LOFAR)

New e-VLBI speed record: 9.35 Gb/s



11 telescopes (10 simultaneous) 4 continents



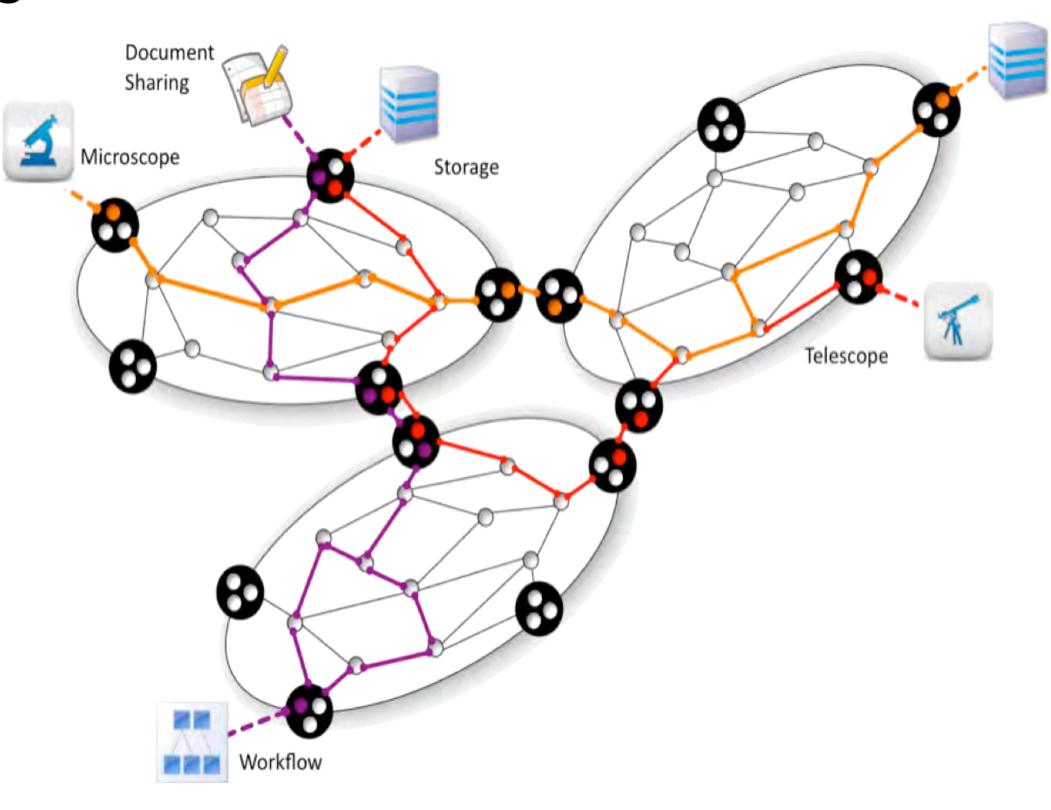
JIVE network

3x 10Gb/s SURFnet 7x 1Gb/s lightpath 2x 1Gb/s CWDM 32x 10Gbase-T



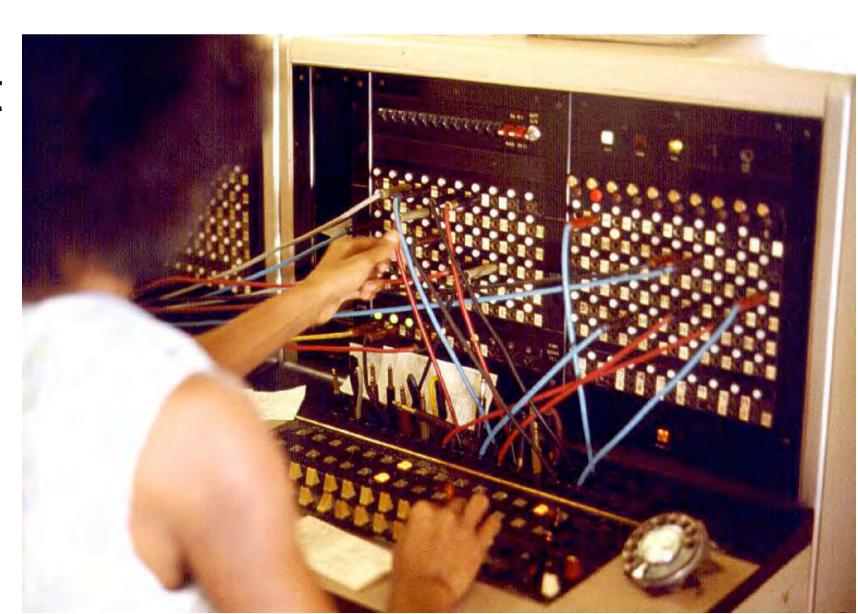
Bandwidth-on-Demand

- A service where end-users can request a dedicated network path between points in a network, with a particular bandwidth, MTU, delay etc.
- Interface is through a webform or web-service
- Several NRENs offer such a service:
 - GEANT
 - ESNET
 - SURFnet
 - NORDUnet
 - etc...



Why Bandwidth-on-Demand?

- e-VLBI traffic is high BW, constant-rate, UDP, Jumbo frames.
 Where possible, use dedicated/private network resources
- We don't use the resources full-time:
 - 3 VLBI sessions per year, 2-3 weeks, monthly e-VLBI 24hrs
 - Configuration of array changes due to obs. requirement
- BoD promises more efficient use of (scarce) international and local networking resources
- Becomes especially important at 4Gb/s and higher speeds
- A lightpath is a string of SPF.
 BoD would allow 'routing' around outages



WP6: High Bandwidth on Demand



Task 1: Integration of e-VLBI with Bandwidth-on-Demand (JIVE, SURFnet, NORDUnet, OSO, CSIRO)

Task 2: On-demand access for large archives (ASTRON, SURFnet)

Task 3: Testing and validation of on-demand circuits (UMAN, JIVE)

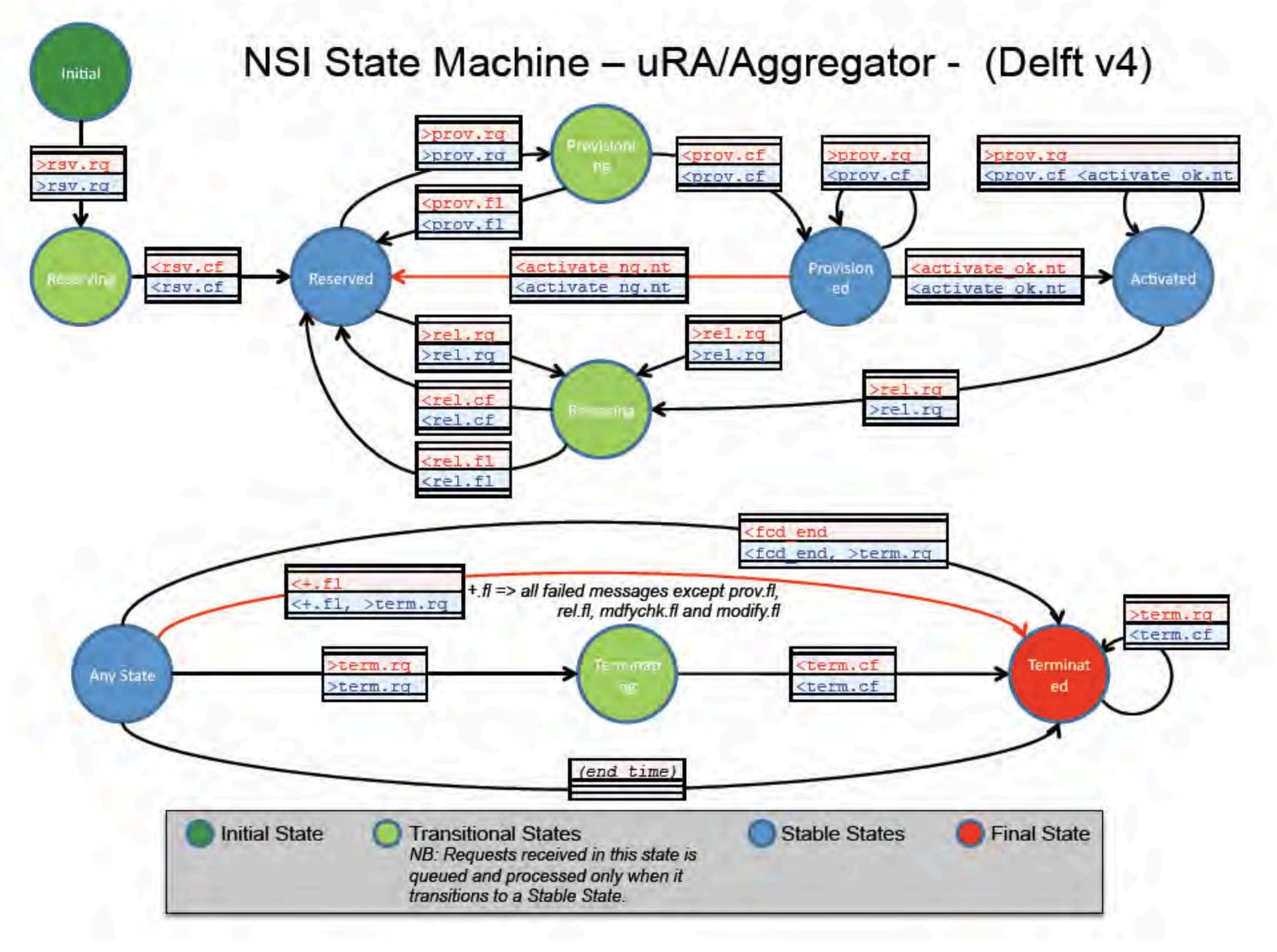
Task 4: Multi Gbps on demand for e-VLBI (4Gb/s, 10Gb/s) (JIVE, SURFnet, NORDUnet, OSO)

Network Service Interface: NSI

- Several NRENs already offer Bandwidth-on-Demand services within their own network
- International BoD is much more challenging as each NREN uses their own network equipment vendor, transport technology, network management, BoD system
- VLBI requires long-distance, inter-domain network paths
- NSI is an open standard for inter-domain BoD currently under development. Standardization is through the Open Grid Forum (OGF)
- Participants include GEANT, NORDUnet, SURFnet, GLIF
- Standard is a work-in-progress, still being defined, but testbeds are available

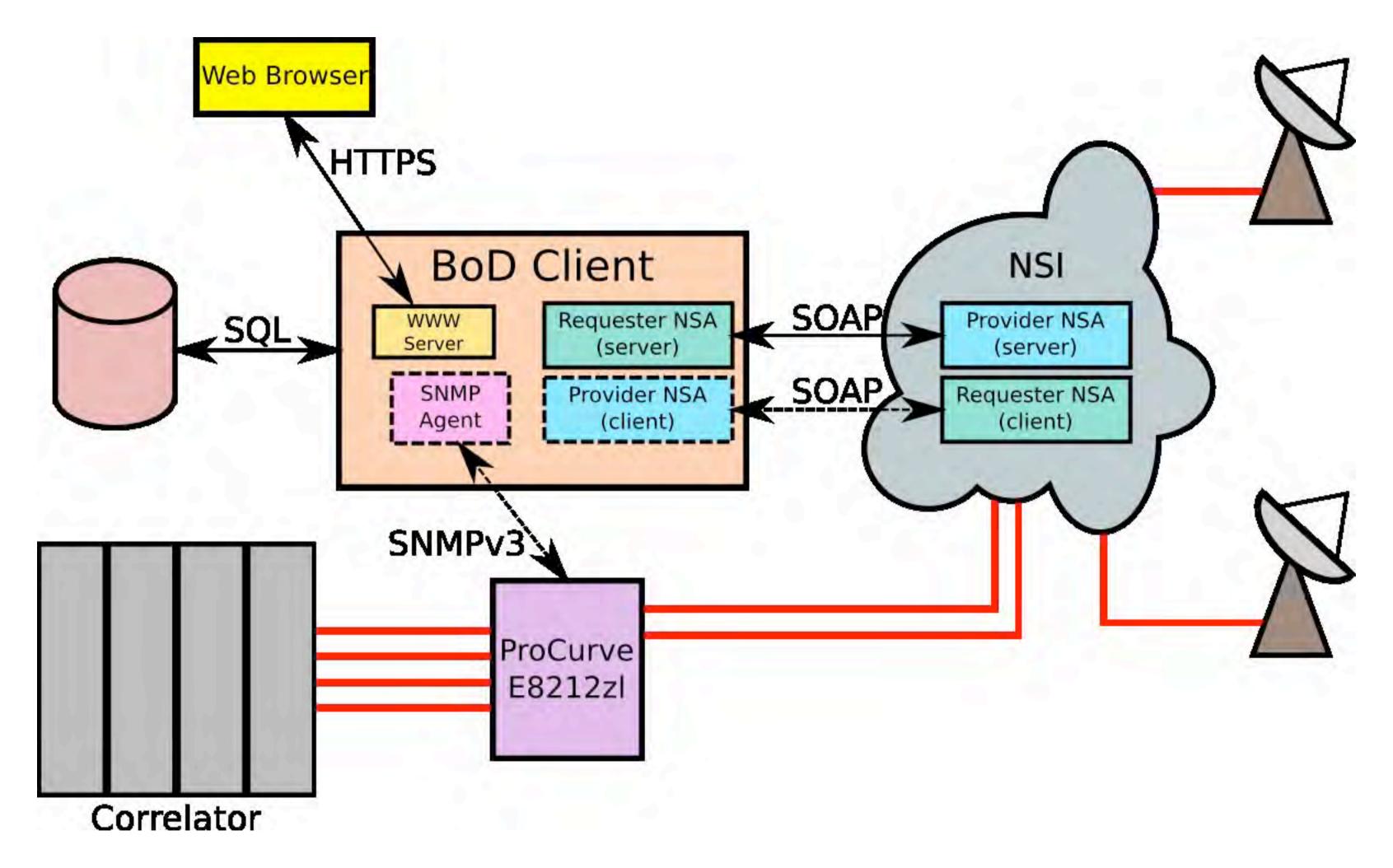
Network Service Interface: NSI

- NSI will offer a number of services:
 - Topology Service
 - Pathfinding Service
 - Connection Service
 - Monitoring/verification Service
- At this moment, only the connection service is available
- Defines a 'Requester' and 'Provider' agent, who together execute a distributed state machine
 - Reserved (a future or current scheduled reservation)
 - Activated (link is up, available)
 - Terminated

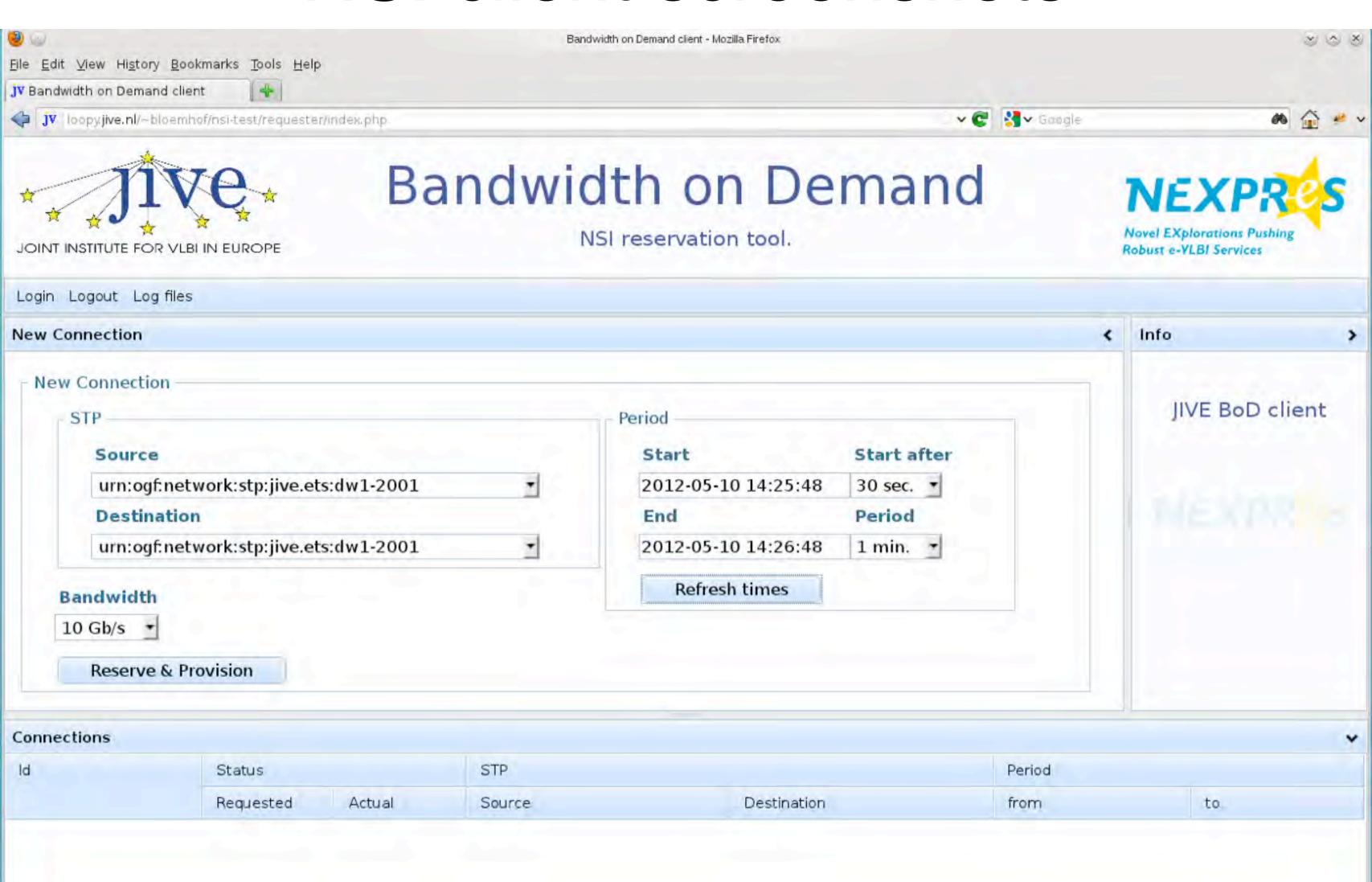


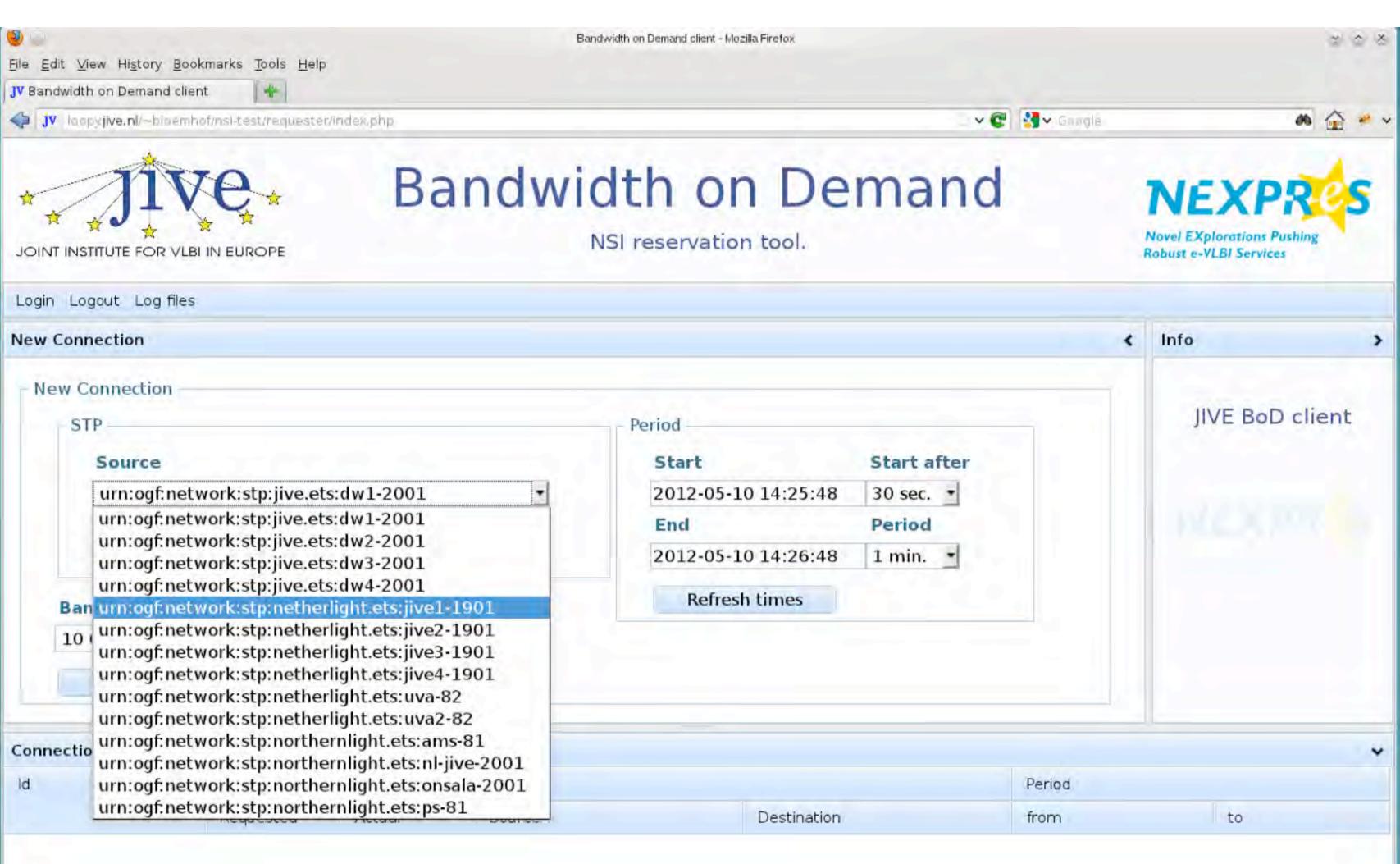
(And 4 more pages of state machine)

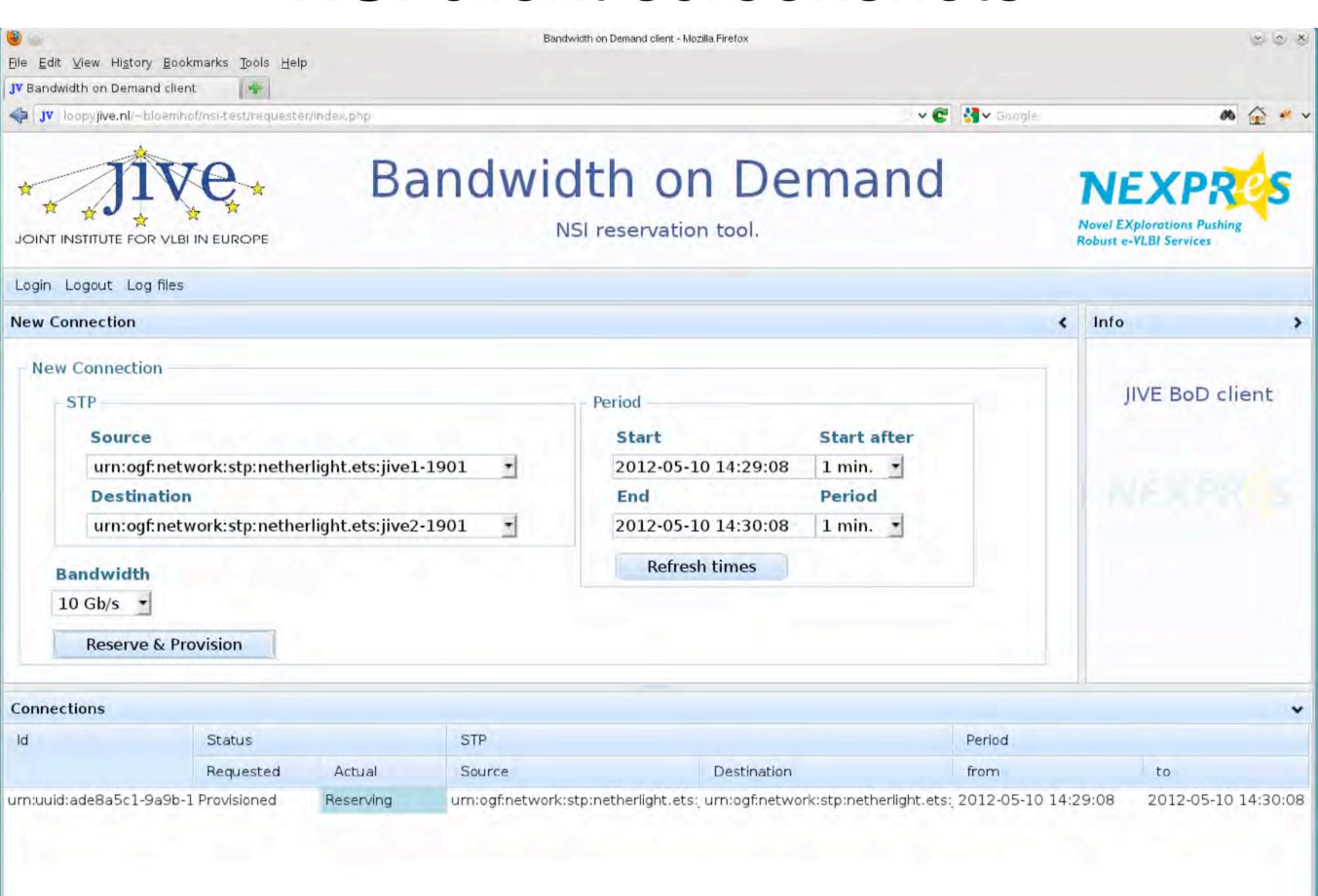
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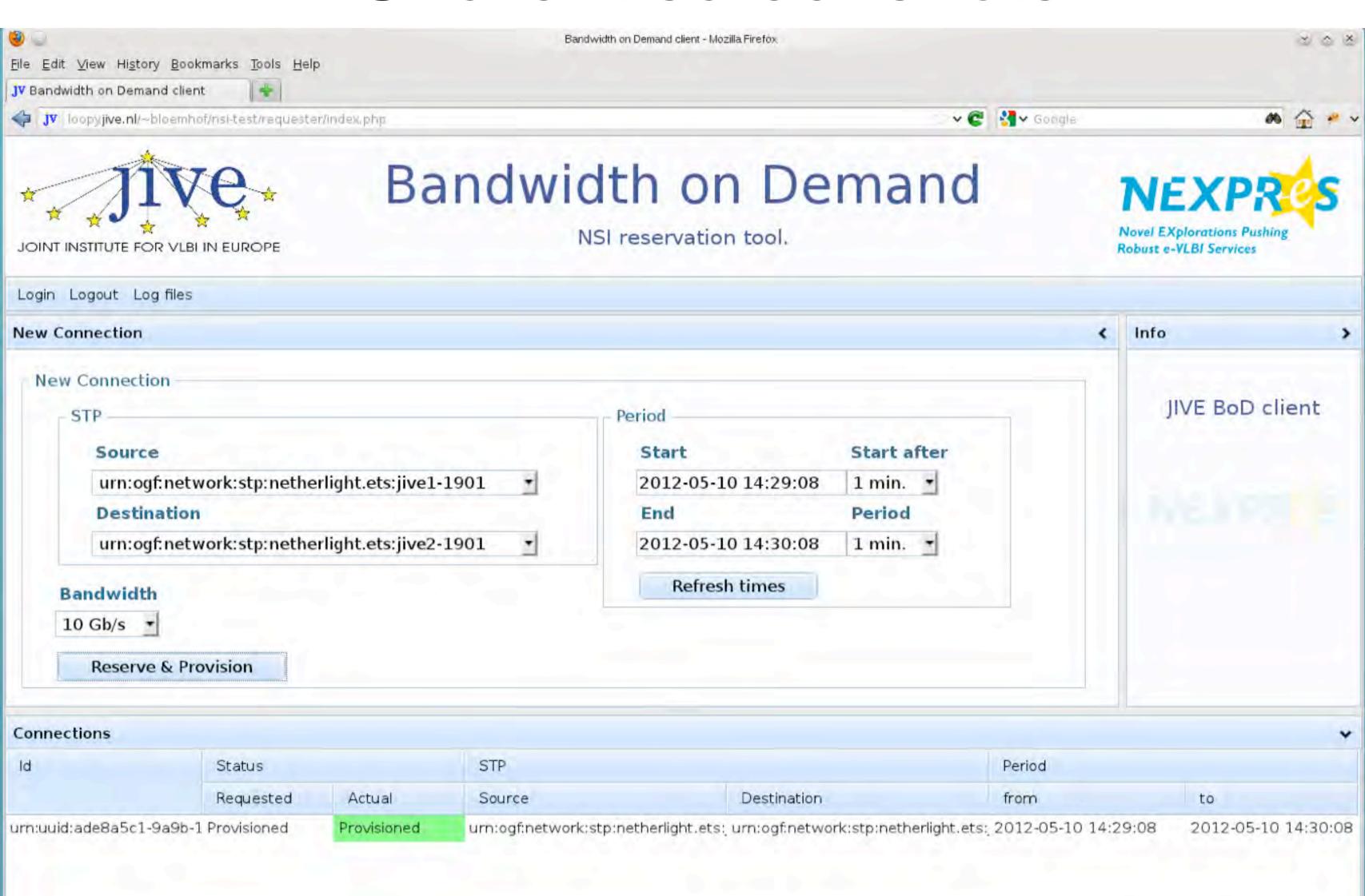


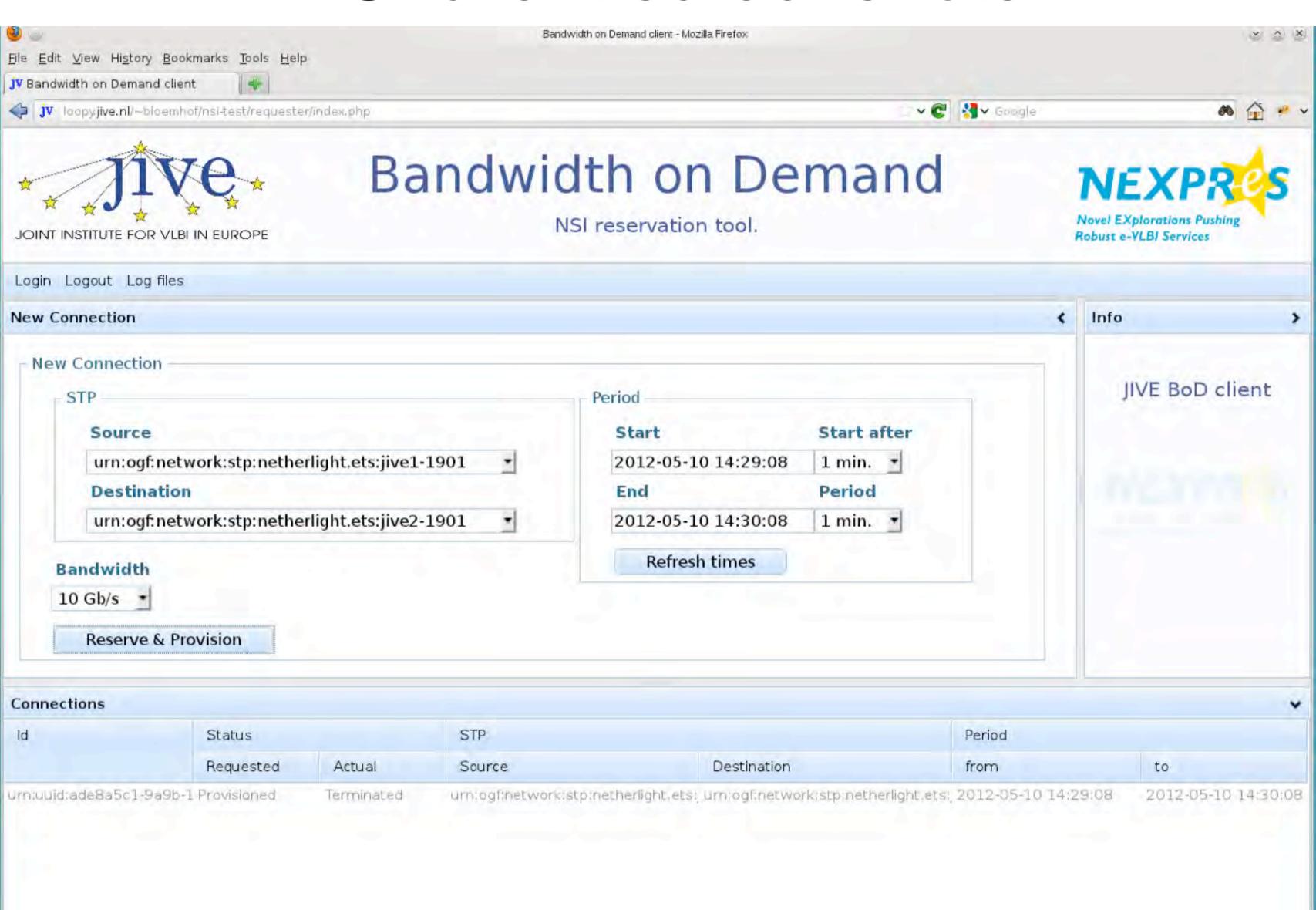
Built using Linux, Apache, PHP, MySQL



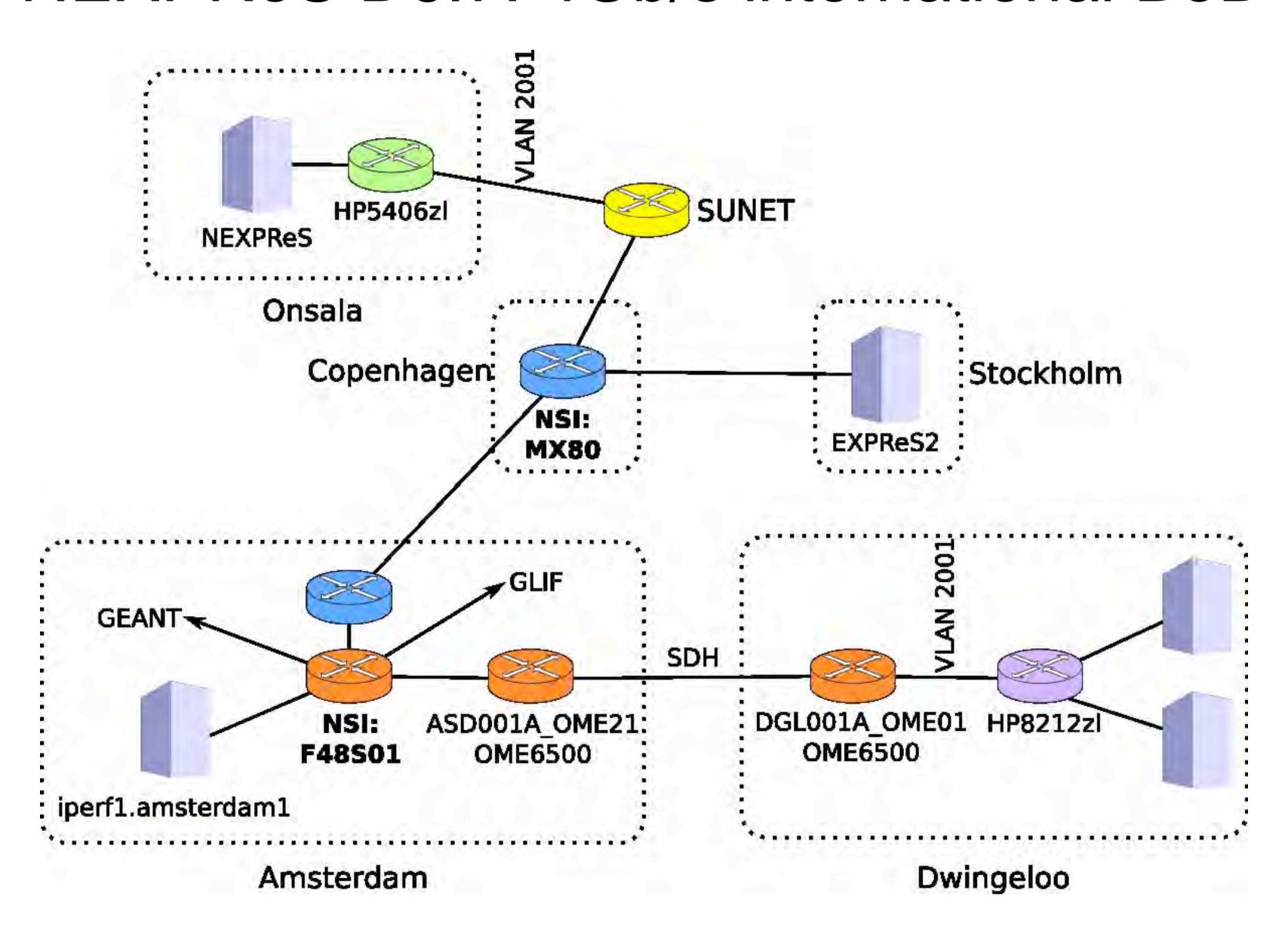




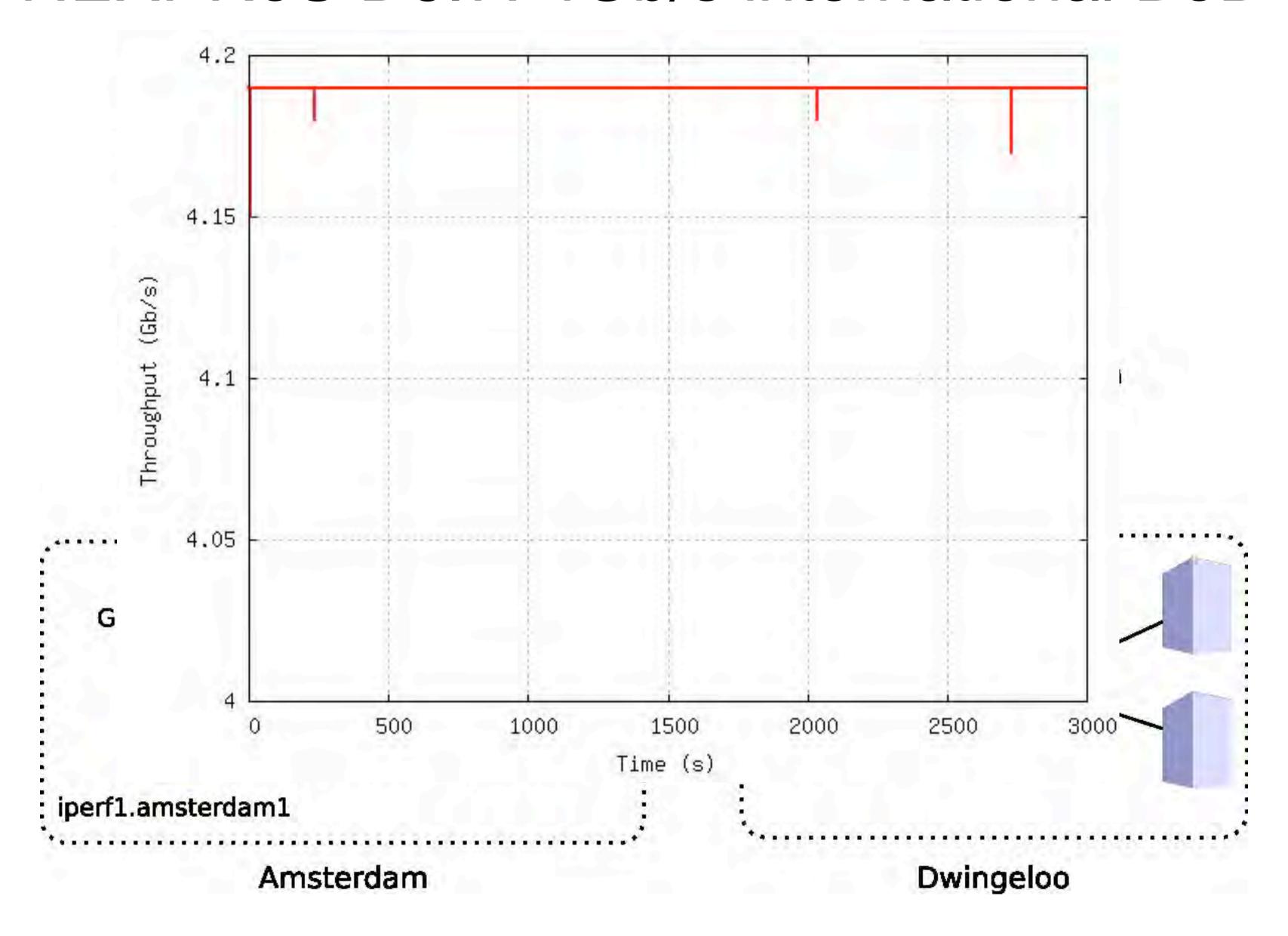




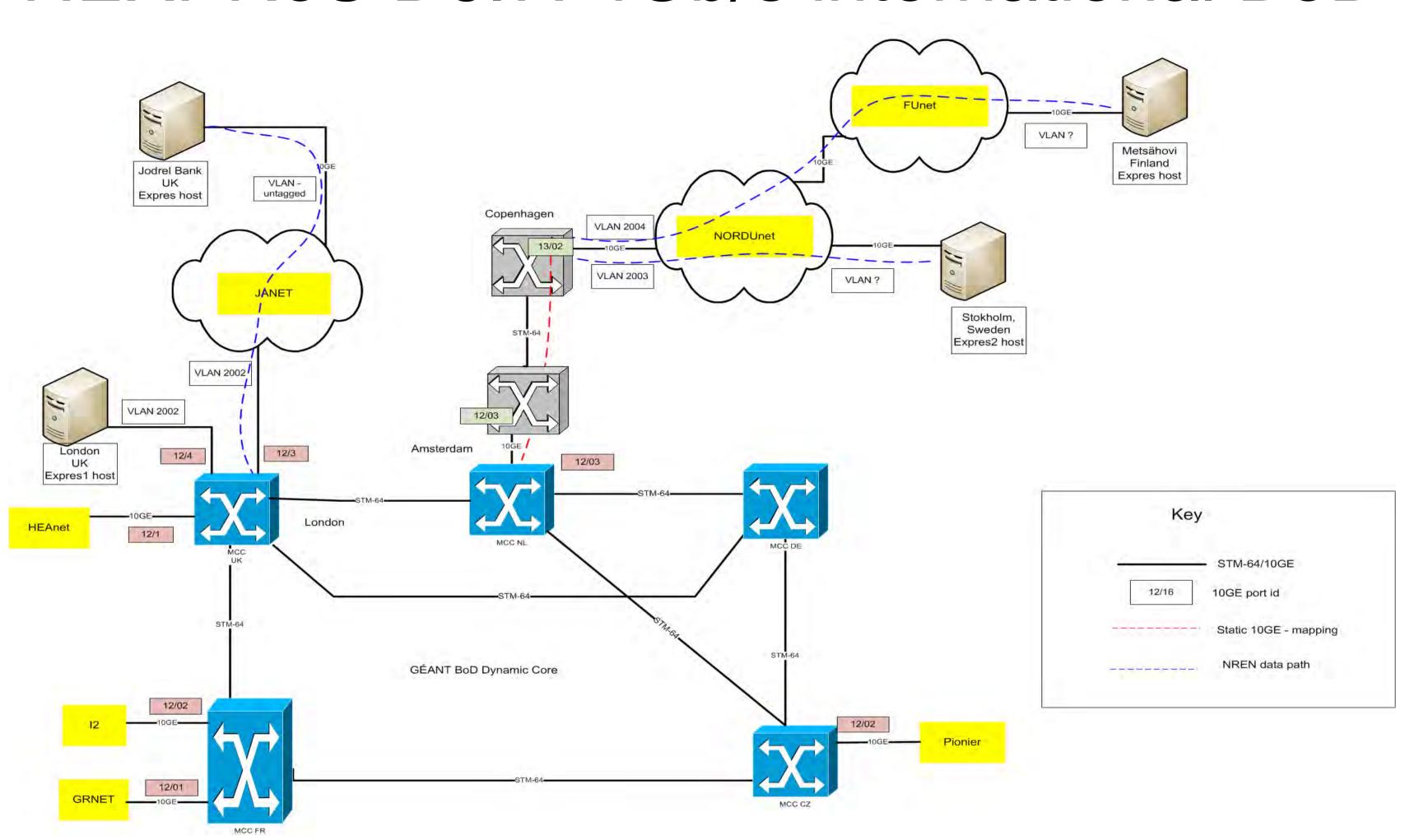
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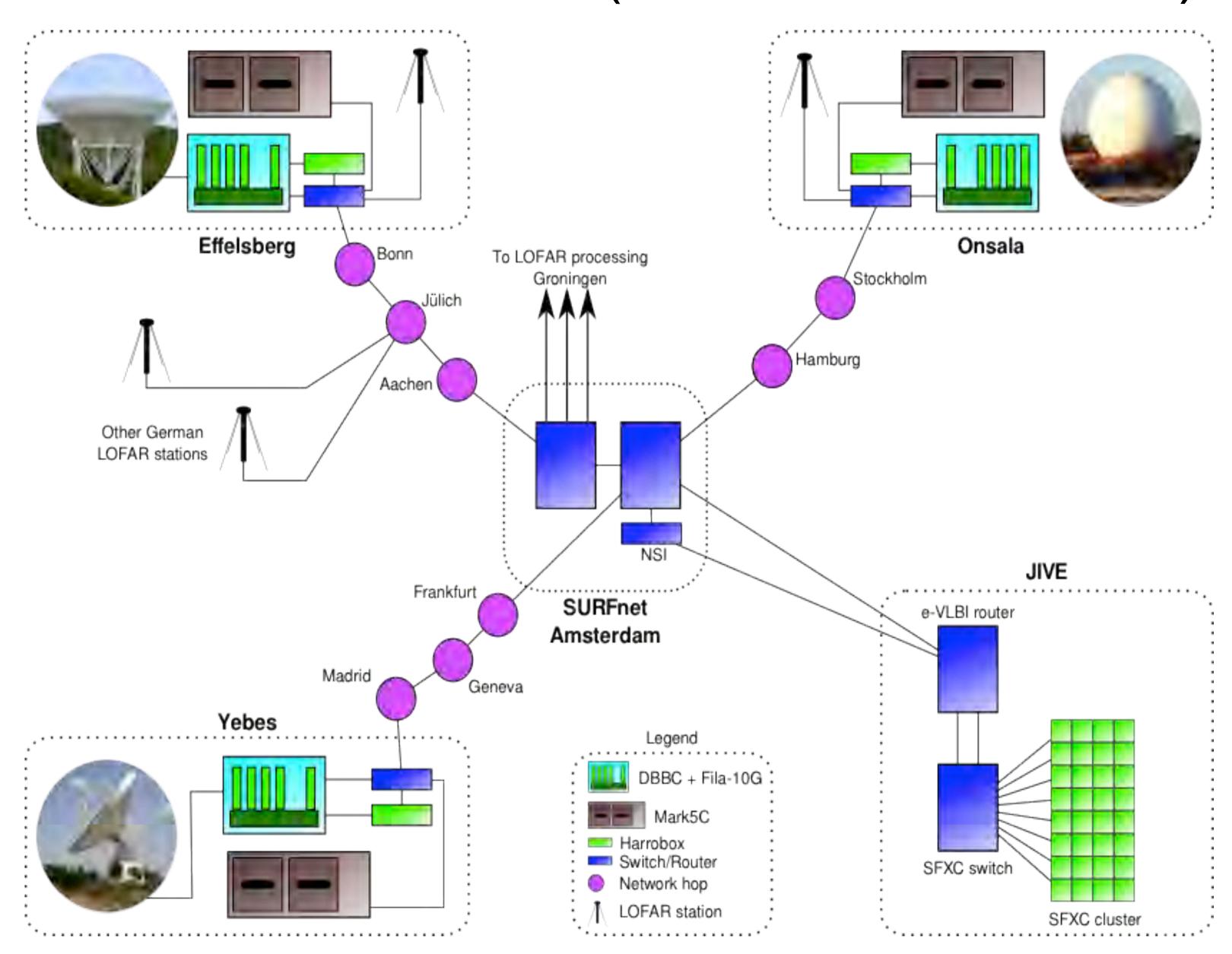
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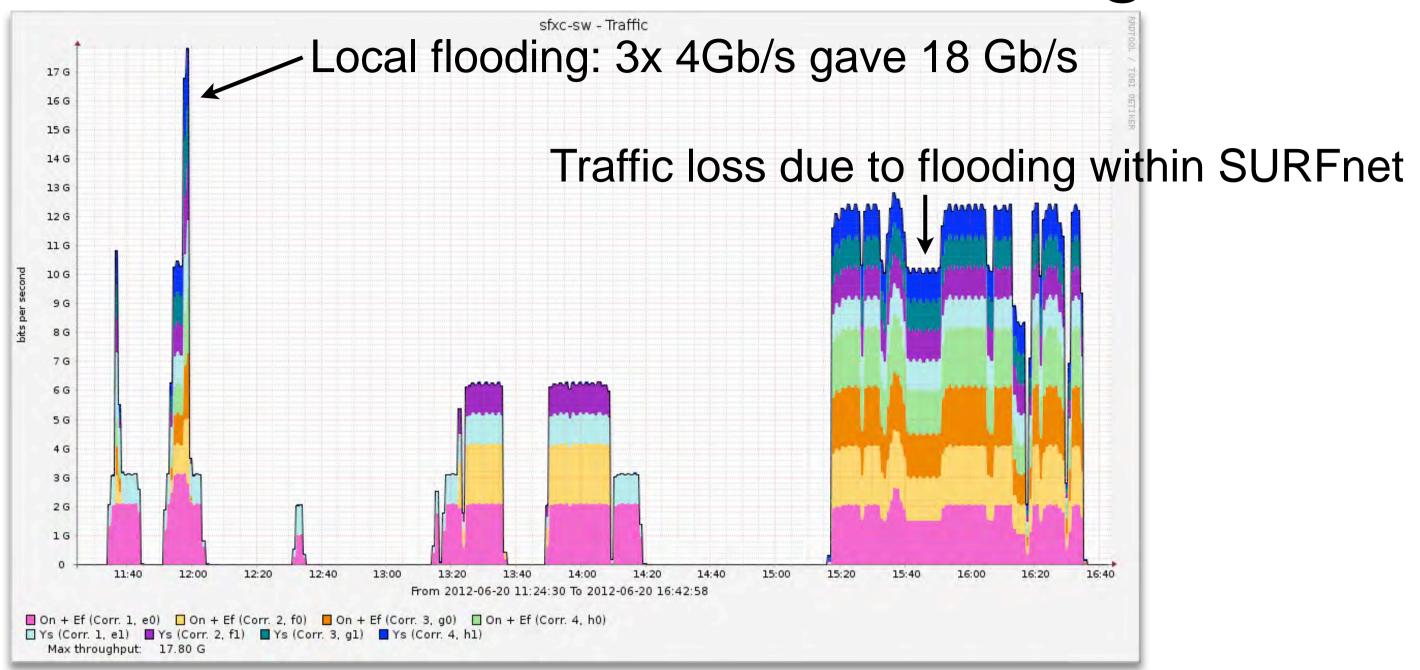
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WP5 4Gb/s demo (used NSI for OSO)



An aside: beware of flooding



- Network switches flood when they don't know on which port the destination MAC-address is connected
- Reply packet updates switch forwarding table (for 5 min)
- Updated jive5ab to send back a packet once a minute
- Mark5C does not send replies, not even ARP reply

WP6 Deliverables in P3 (final year)

- D6.04: Month 30 (december 2012)
 BoD Scheduling interface for LOFAR LTA
- D6.06: Month 30
 Demo of integrated BoD testing and validation
- D6.08: Month 30
 Demonstration of international BoD at 10Gb/s
- D6.05: Month 33 (march 2013)
 Demonstration of BoD for an operational LTA
- D6.02: Month 36 (june 2013) Operational use of BoD on at least one e-VLBI link



D6.02: Operational use of BoD on at leaste one e-VLBI link

- Concluding deliverable for WP6
- Integrate and demonstrate all parts:
 Schedule observation + bandwidth
 Automated configuration of network routing
 Automated testing of configured link
- "At least" one e-VLBI link, but ambition is to use more than one
- Due at the end of the project (June 2013)

