



ESCPS Status

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End Site Control Plane System (ESCPS)

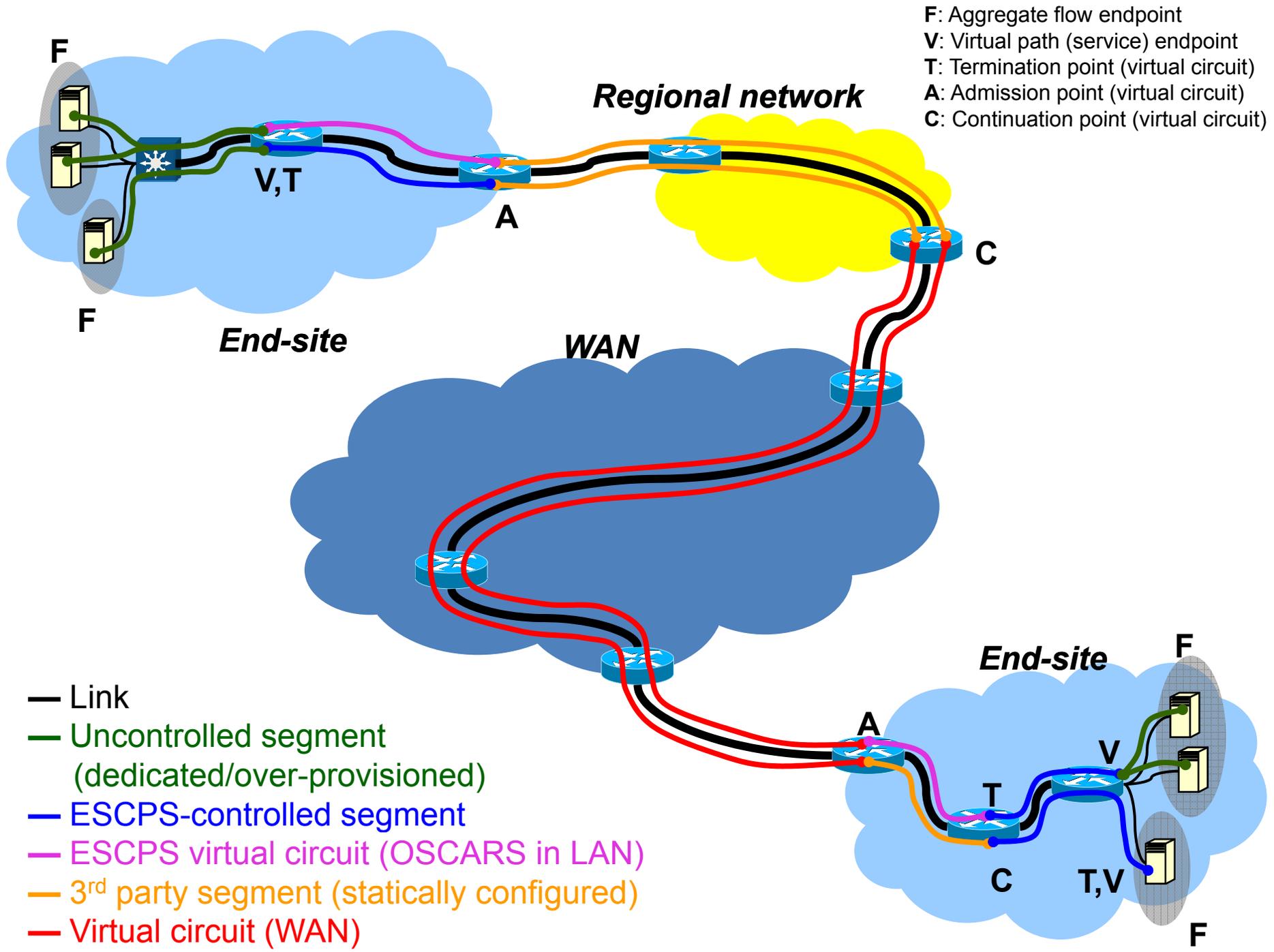
- Network service to facilitate site use of circuit services
- Accept and process user/app requests for circuit services
- Provide local interface to & coordination of WAN circuit services
- Configure local network infrastructure for use of circuits
- Monitor local network segments of end-to-end path
- Long term vision: End site component of federated control plane for circuit services

Original Project Outline Plan

- Year 1:
 - Collaborative analysis of issues based on past experience
 - Collaborative design of system architecture and components
 - Year 1 prototype on existing testbed
- Year 2:
 - Finalization of component interfaces
 - Implementation of components as assigned to each institution
 - Deployment and component interoperability testing on expanded testbed
- Year 3:
 - Iteration and improvement on component design
 - Implementation of revisions
 - Extensive testing, debugging, and hardening of code

ESCPS Concepts

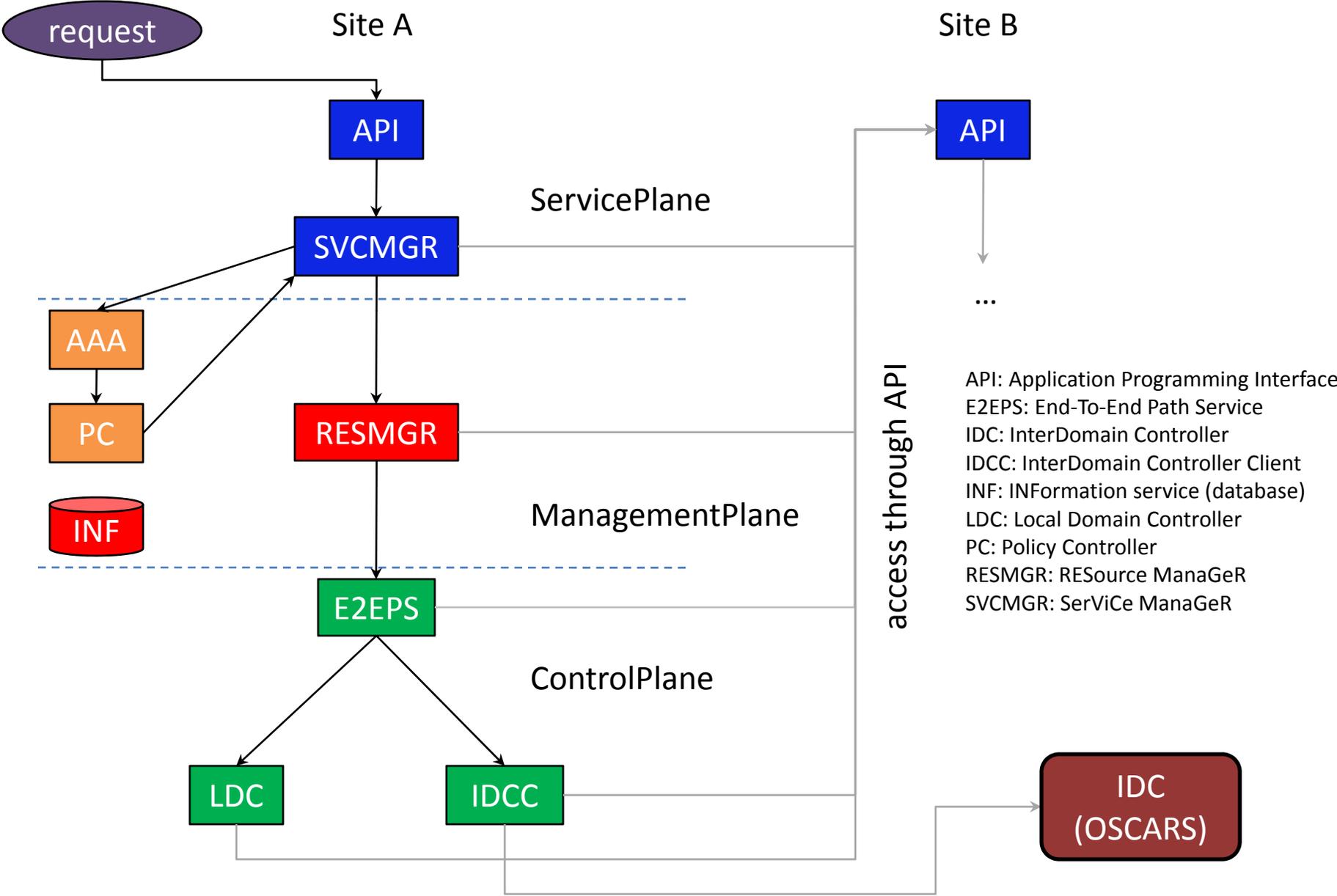
- Elements of ESCPS model
 - Aggregated Flow Endpoints (AFEs)
 - Sinks/sources for data flows; often clusters of systems
 - Circuits
 - OSCARS constructs with L2/L3 terminations
 - Virtual Paths
 - Complete end-to-end path between AFEs
 - Rules:
 - configuration units that need to be deployed to extend a circuit to become a desired virtual path



F: Aggregate flow endpoint
 V: Virtual path (service) endpoint
 T: Termination point (virtual circuit)
 A: Admission point (virtual circuit)
 C: Continuation point (virtual circuit)

- Link
- Uncontrolled segment (dedicated/over-provisioned)
- ESCPS-controlled segment
- ESCPS virtual circuit (OSCARS in LAN)
- 3rd party segment (statically configured)
- Virtual circuit (WAN)

Initial Architecture & Components



Component Assignments

- BNL:
 - Resource manager
 - Inter-domain controller (IDC) interface
 - Coordination of integration effort
- FNAL:
 - Local domain controller (LDC)
 - Initial service manager (SVC MGR) design
- UDel:
 - Local network monitoring
 - Service manager (SVC MGR) adaptation for XSP

BNL Components of ESCPS

BNL Contributions

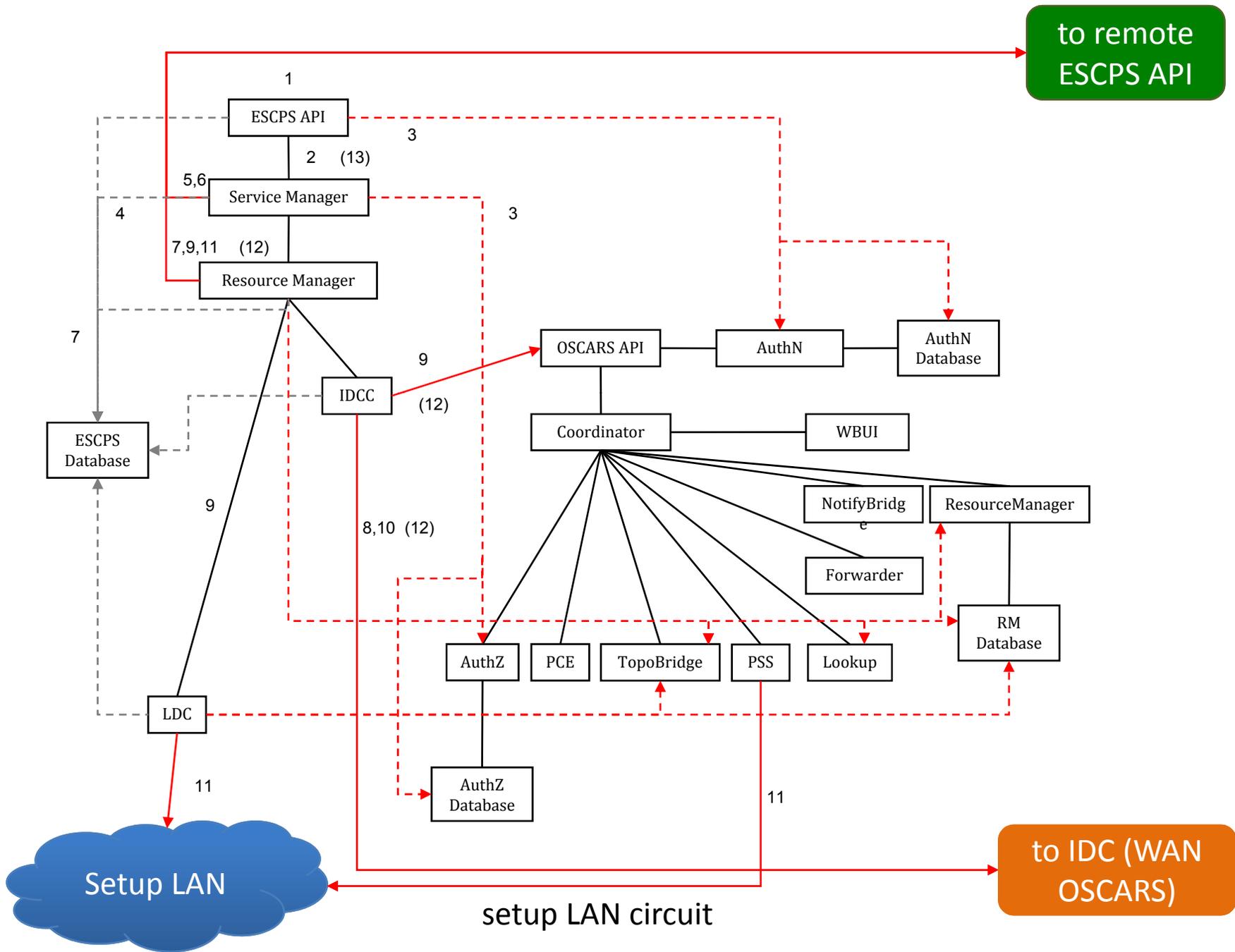
- Initial and revised design of RESMGR and IDCC
 - Components based on legacy TeraPaths code but modified to perform new RESMGR functions (in progress):
 - RESMGR coordinates multiple domain reservations to compose an end-to-end path
 - Fixed (legacy) and flexible reservation support
 - Support for trial-and-error and BAG-based negotiation (based on experience with StorNet)
 - Major database revision to support multi-segment/multi-reservation end-to-end paths

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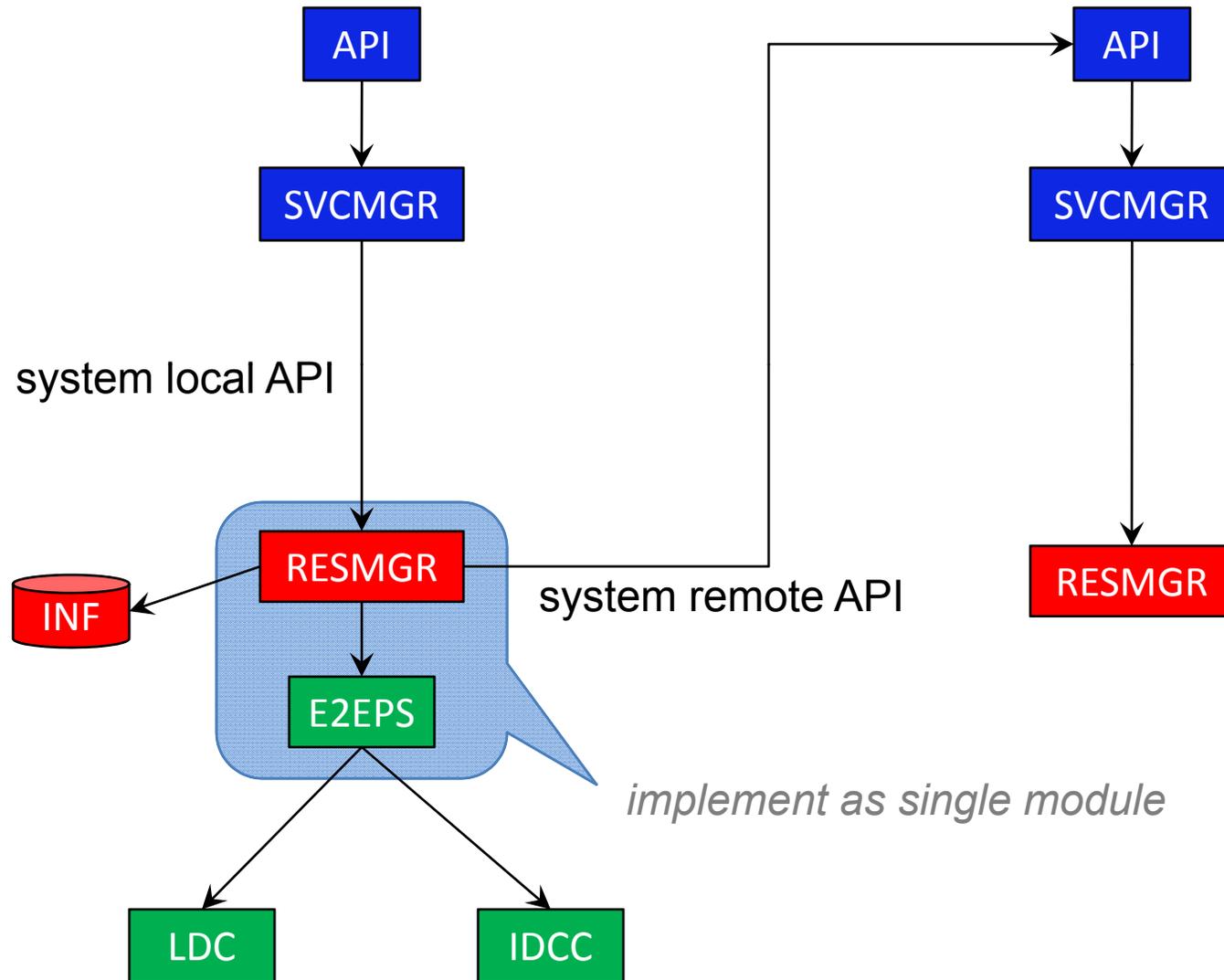
- Modifications to code base to allow reservation information display in ESCPScope
 - Pull (polling) mode through API call
 - Push mode through invocation of web-service
- Added support for circuit VLAN translation, including VLAN tag/private address allocation scheme
- Deployed ESCPScope at BNL, UMich, LBNL
- Analysis of OSCARS 0.6 architecture and code to revise ESCPS architecture to include OSCARS circuit functionality at end sites in manner consistent with LAN-specific requirements

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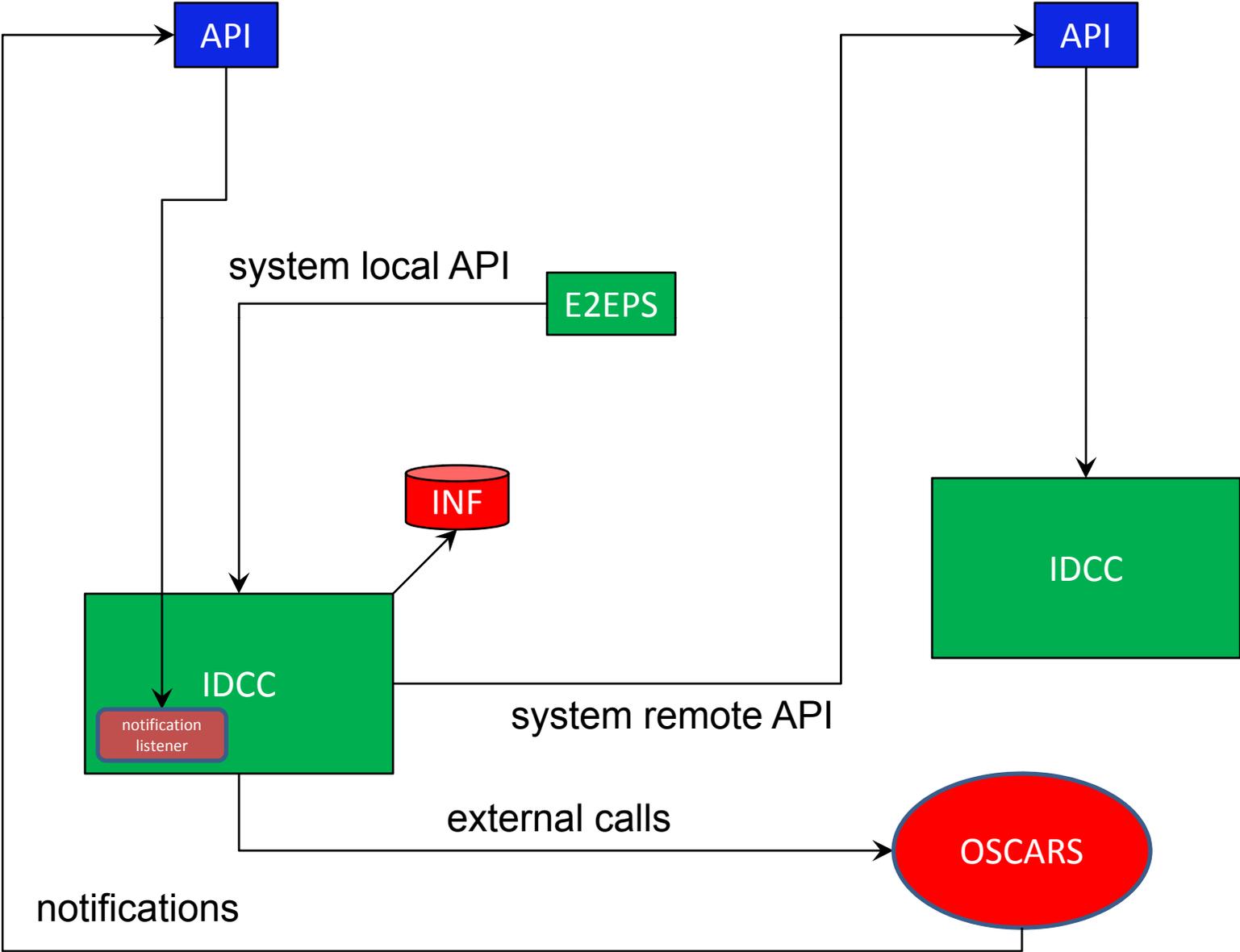
- Deployment of prototype code at UDel
- Devised short term plan to incorporate OSCARS functionality into ESCPS for LAN circuit segments



RESMGR Design



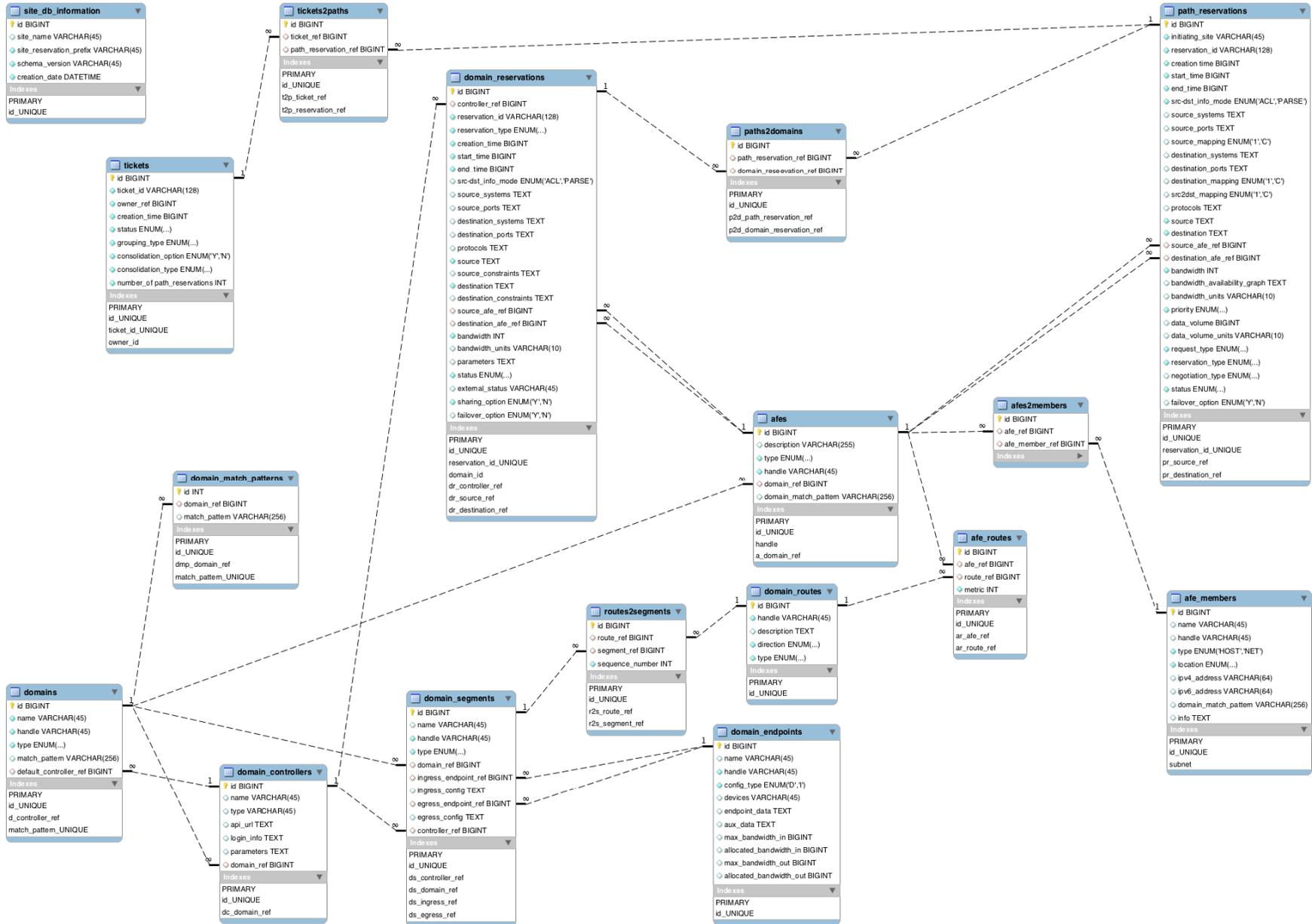
IDCC Design



- Client submits request to SVCNMR via the API
 - User information
 - SVCNMR authenticates by looking up escpsdb or oscarsdb
 - Source and destination information
 - CIDR blocks, port ranges, protocols, src/dst combinations
 - SVCNMR maps onto src and dst AFEs – may need to dynamically generate AFEs (escpsdb)
 - Reservation information
 - Fixed:
 - Start time
 - End time or duration
 - Bandwidth
 - Priority class (optional, could simply use EF always)
 - Flexible:
 - Source and destination information
 - Bandwidth Allocation Graph (BAG)
 - » Earliest start time
 - » Deadline
 - » Maximum bandwidth (achievable)
 - Data volume

- RESMGR processes request
 - Looks up escpsdb with src/dst and/or invokes LDC and/or local OSCARS
 - Finds suitable routes within end-site LAN
 - DiffServ/PBR segment (endpoints)
 - Circuit segment (endpoints, full path)
 - Gathers bandwidth availability information
 - escpsdb for diffserv
 - oscarsdb for circuits of via IDCC to local OSCARS
 - Feasible with simple topologies (known routes)
 - ARCHSTONE will support availability requests
 - Primary RESMGR intersects local and remote BAGs
 - Negotiates transit circuit via IDCC to IDC
 - BAG from ARCHSTONE for alternative paths
 - Trial-and-error otherwise
 - End-to-end path consists of multiple reservations, e.g.:
 - DiffServ/PBR, L2, L2, L2, PBR/DiffServ
 - DiffServ, L3, L3, L3, DiffServ
 - L3, L3, L3 (end-to-end MPLS tunnel)
 - L2, L2, L2 (end-to-end circuit)

Database Design



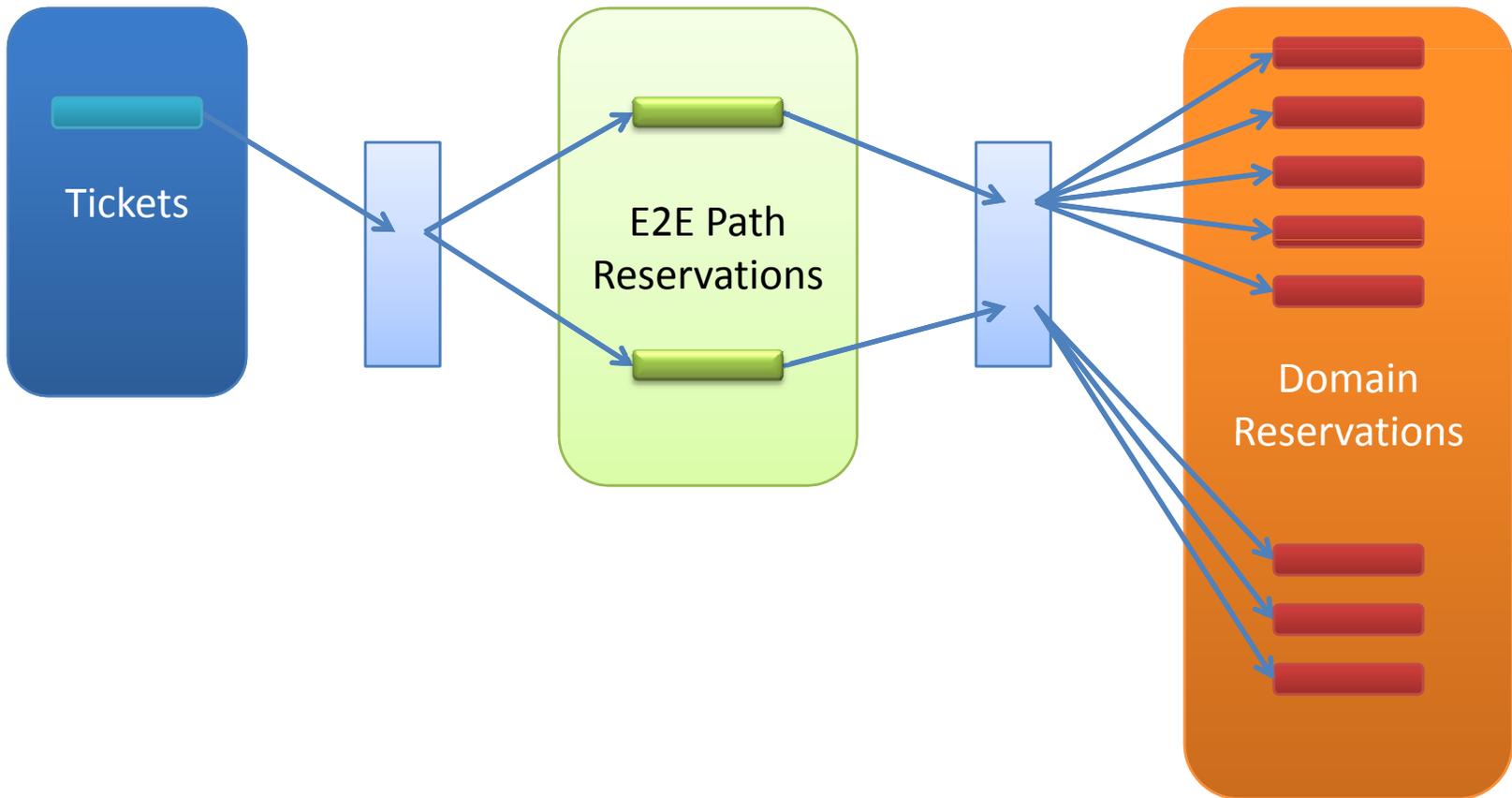
Database Design Highlights

- Tickets (requests)
 - Processed by the SVCMMGR
 - TicketID, src AFE, dest AFE, time window, bandwidth, etc.
- End-to-End Path Reservations
 - Link tickets to paths
- Domain Reservations
 - LAN or WAN reservation data
- Any number of domains can be included in an end-to-end path

Database Design Highlights (ii)

- **Many-to-many relation between Tickets and Path Reservations**
 - Standard case, one ticket is satisfied by one end-to-end path reservation
 - One ticket can include multiple end-to end path reservations with separate time frames
 - One end-to-end path reservation can serve multiple tickets (consolidation)
- **Many-to-many relation between Path Reservations and Domain Reservations**
 - An end-to-end path reservation consists of multiple LAN and WAN reservations
 - One transit domain reservation (OSCARS circuit) can serve multiple end-to-end reservations
- **Use junction tables to convert many-to-many relations to one-to-many**

Core DB schema





e.g., 3 domains – 5 systems

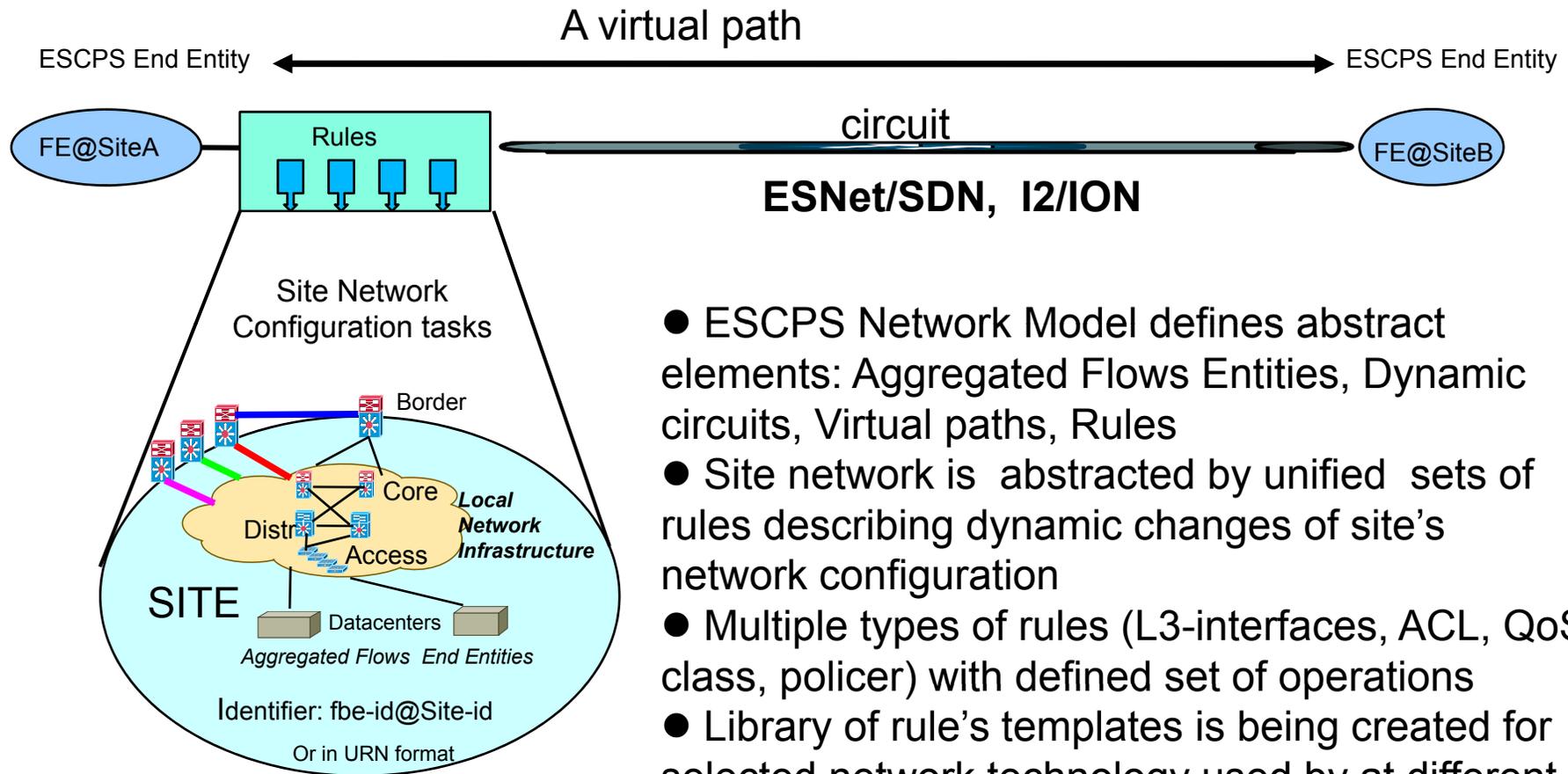


FNAL Component of ESCPS

Local Domain Controller (LDC)

- Configures LAN component of end-to-end path on-demand
- Technology agnostic, create a virtual path within LAN as specified by site and based on local network technology deployed
- Describes local network path in terms of a finite number of configuration rules, unified interface
- Interacts with RESMGR to obtain information on flows in submitted tickets
 - signals RESMGR when job is done or in case of failures
- RESTFul web interface to access its services

ESCPS Local Path Network Model



- ESCPS Network Model defines abstract elements: Aggregated Flows Entities, Dynamic circuits, Virtual paths, Rules
- Site network is abstracted by unified sets of rules describing dynamic changes of site's network configuration
- Multiple types of rules (L3-interfaces, ACL, QoS class, policer) with defined set of operations
- Library of rule's templates is being created for selected network technology used by at different sites

Basic LDC Rules

- L3-interface
- ACL
- Vlan
- QoS Class, QoS policer
- Route-map

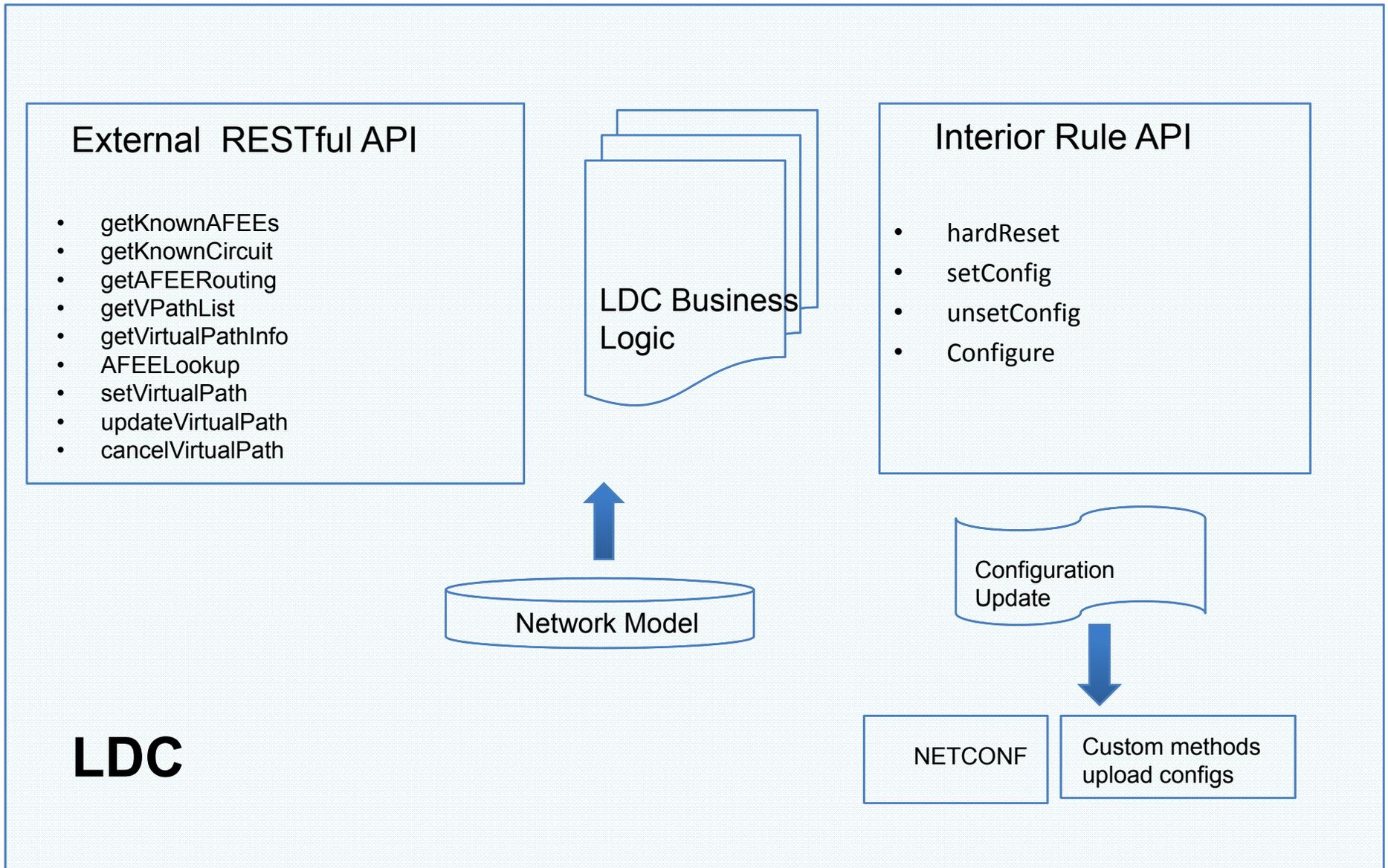
Vendor-specific syntax of these rules is hidden in templates that can be selected/modified when creating a site's specific description of the rules. It is also easy modifiable for site's specifics.

LDC Rules Operations

Unified operations to assemble rules in a virtual path across LAN:

- `hardReset` – re-create rule from scratch
- `softReset` – bring a rule into initial state, similar to above but does it less disruptive (depend on a rule), i.e. `hardReset` ACL – remove ACL completely and then recreate it, `softReset`: remove all entries but keep ACL in configuration)
- `setConfig` – create a configuration fragment for rule ready to be uploaded in device(devices)
- `unsetConfig` – create a configuration fragment to undo `setConfig`
- `Configure` – configure selected properties of rule (manipulate by rule's representation in server's memory and rule's operation data)

Glue all together



LDC Status and Plans

- Design is completed (XML schemes, Rule templates, Network model examples in XML)
- Current software development is in Perl
- Currently in prototyping stage
- Finished LDC rules for Catalyst 6509/IOS
- Developing LDC rules for NX-OS, Cisco Nexus 7000/5000

LDC Service Manager

- Workflow manager for LDC:
 - provides information about available services, sites and virtual paths
 - Functionally a front-end for LDC services
- Accessible via RESTful Web Services
- Interfaces with other ESCPS components via a simple event-based mechanism.
 - Service requests processed based on the defined workflow.
 - Each state in workflow can be configured with a checklist of awaiting events from external processes.
- A java package in beta stage.
 - Installation package includes all components needed in Linux environment

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END SITE CONTROL PLANE SUBSYSTEM

[View Tickets](#) [Create New Ticket](#) [Administration](#) [Monitor](#)

Status:

 Start Time:

 End Time:

 Ticket #:

 Requestor User Name:

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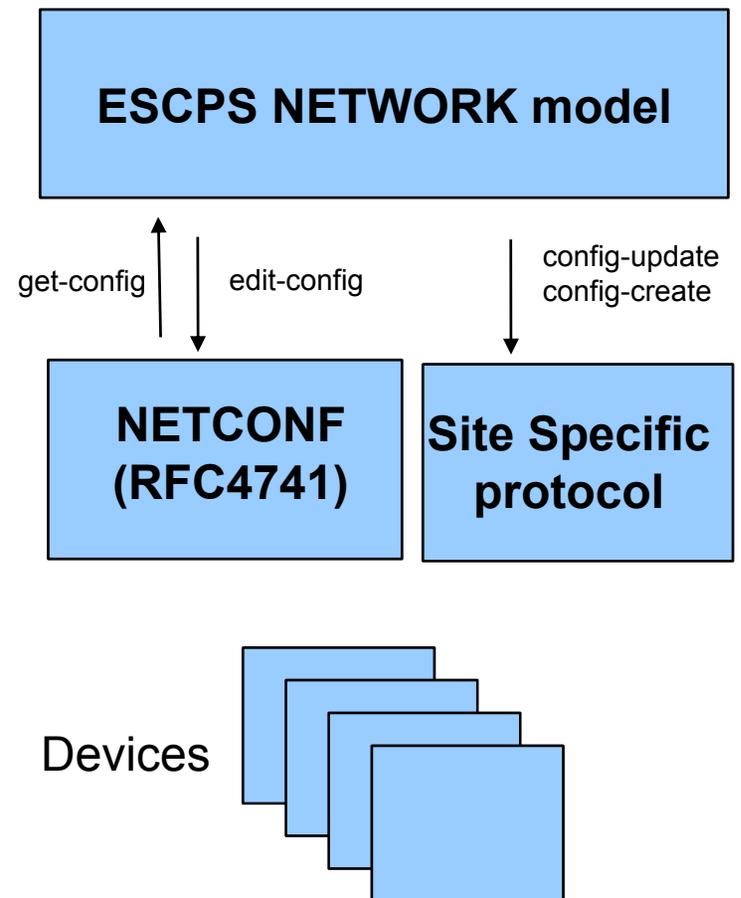
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LDC Service Manager

Interactive control tool allows manual service requests, monitor status of requests and reservations, and facilitates testing of LDC rules configurations

LDC Evaluations with NetConf

- NetConf:
 - IETF Network Management Protocol (RFC4741)
 - RPC-based device configuration
 - Uses XML
- Limited vendor support
- Completed evaluation(s) on Cisco Nexus:
 - Complicated, complex, & somewhat confusing
 - Proprietary configuration methods still much easier



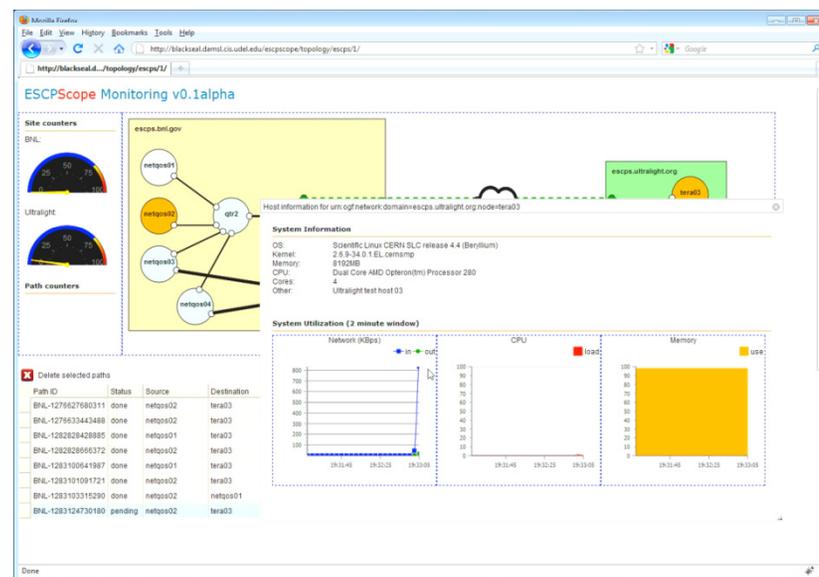
OpenFlow

- OpenFlow support not part of ESCPS project plan
 - However, emergence of OpenFlow shouldn't be ignored
- Current thinking is LDC OpenFlow support would entail just another rules set
 - May entail some modifications to API calls/handling as well
- Will be evaluate OpenFlow over next several months
 - Independent of ESCPS project (and effort...)
 - But will be keeping OpenFlow capabilities in mind for ESCPS

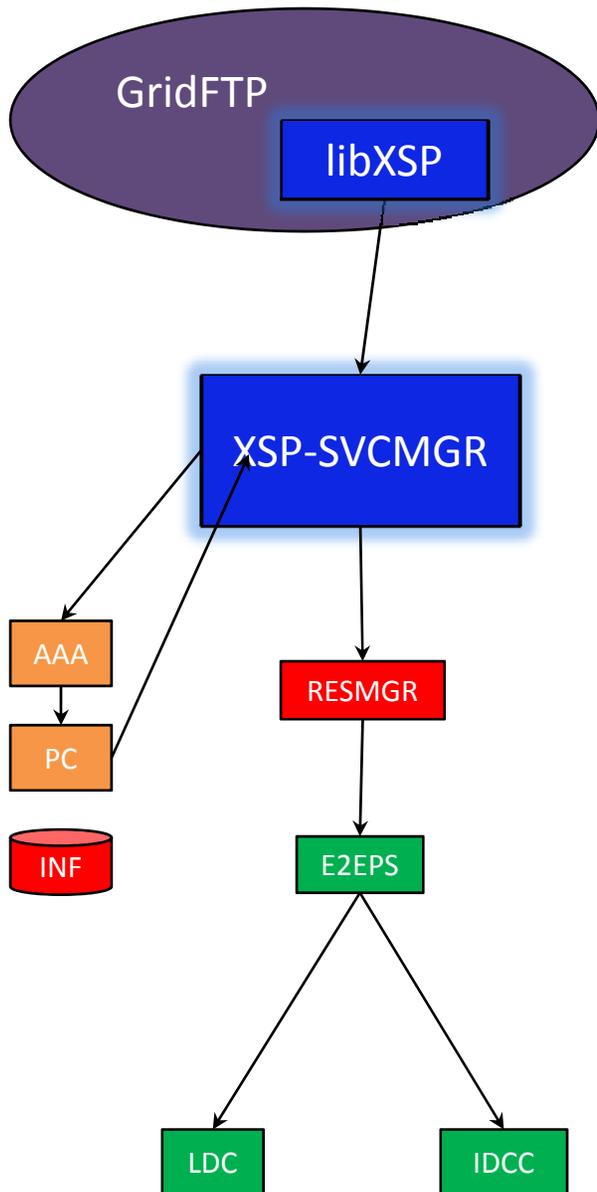
U-DEL Component(s) of ESCPS

Monitoring

- Prototype ESCPScope (Periscope) visualizes topology with integrated data
- Monitors:
 - SNMP counters
 - Looking glass (counters for policy-based routing and filter-based forwarding rules)
 - Host variables (network, cpu, memory)
 - Application performance with summarized logging information to show application-visible performance



XSP SVRMGR



- Talks to prototype RESMGR (or OSCARS) for provisioning
- Talks to the ESCPScope monitoring agent to initiate monitoring
- Socket-compatible library, libXSP can replace network calls in Linux
- libXSP controls host monitoring
- GridFTP XIO driver can be loaded on demand

ESCPS Test Bed Status

- Initial pre-prototype testing between BNL, UMich, and UDel on ESCPS (expanded TeraPaths) test bed
- Project plan calls for integrated test bed
- Not quite in place yet, but...
 - OSCARS circuit in place between BNL & FNAL now

Short Term Objectives

- Complete evaluation of synergy w/ OSCARS platform:
 - Make use of OSCARS code where easy & beneficial
 - Determine longer term convergence path
- Integrate component work into functional prototype
 - Looking at ~6 month development effort
 - Means most ESCPS functions will remain outside of OSCARS
 - Seek out opportunities for collaboration (DYNES?)
- Get testbed fully deployed

Long Term Objectives (Time Permitting)

- Incremental Steps toward the goal of Integration of OSCARS capabilities into ESCPS. These items are categorized as “Research and Development” along with OSCARS.
 - Topology System Management: Use the PerfSONAR to establish local topology, i.e. Topology Schema and Annotation.
 - Add AFE into Topology Schema and Store
 - It has the commonality with OSCARS’s new paradigm of Multi-Point to Multi-Point
 - LDC Functionalities can be added into OSCARS framework (Andrey needs to confirm)
 - Authentication in SVCMGR

Long Term Vision beyond Current Project

- Integrate OSCARS capabilities into ESCPS
 - OSCARS is designed for WANs with well defined set of network technologies
 - Significant modifications are necessary to handle heterogeneous, hybrid end-site technologies, including L2, L3, DiffServ, IntServ
 - Extend the OSCARS code base by modifying and/or replacing components to add end-site functionality, including rich API for application use
- ESCPS becomes the end-site version of OSCARS
- Utilization of the OpenFlow framework for network device configurations
- Large scale deployment into DOE sites for eScience applications
- Network Resource Management and Co-scheduling along with CPU and Data Management

Project Information:

ESCPS Documents:

<https://plone3.fnal.gov/P0/ESCPS>

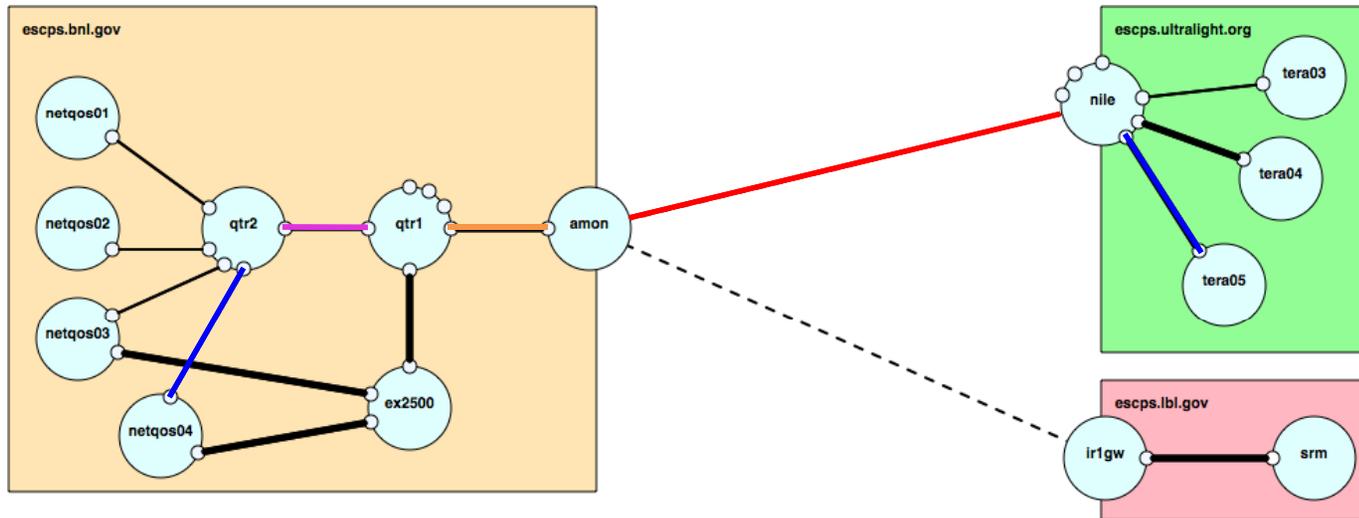
ESCPS Software TRAC repository:

<https://damsl.cis.udel.edu/escps>

Extra Slides - BNL

ESCPS workflow

- 1) User sends advance reservation request with source, destination, minimum bandwidth requirements and time period
- 2) Local service ticket gets created with unique ID
- 3) Authentication, authorization and policy validation
- 4) Local validation of resources
 - Find remote ESCPS
- 5) Initiate service request with remote ESCPS
- 6) Synchronization of service tickets
 - Identify which ESCPS will have primary role
- 7) Primary resource manager develops local and remote bandwidth availability graph (BAG)
- 8) Request transit circuit (parameters resulting from negotiation through BAG intersection or by trial and fail, iterations)
- 9) Scheduling of E2E path
 - Coordination with remote ESCPS
 - Collect local configuration
- 10) Wait for circuit setup
 - Verify transit circuit is in place
- 11) Local domain path activation
 - Synchronize with remote ESCPS
- 12) Graceful circuit shutdown
 - a) Local domain path deactivation
 - b) Synchronize with remote ESCPS
 - c) Transit circuit teardown
- 13) Ticket closeout and acknowledgement



- (netqos04.bnl.gov, 10000-10050) ⇔ (tera05.ultralight.org, 15000), protocol ip, 5/17/11@11:00am, 1hr, EF, 500 Mbps
- BNL: #1 {(qtr1, diffserv/pbr)}, #2 {(qtr2,diffserv), (qtr1, pbr)}, #3 {(qtr2, diffserv/pbr), (qtr1, eompls, e1 i/f X, e2 i/f Y)}
- UMich: #1 {nile, diffserv/pbr}
- Pick BNL #3, UMich #1
- Intersect availability from BNL ESCPS, BNL OSCARS, UMich ESCPS
- Try solution with ESnet IDC
- BNL: reservation for LDC to setup blue segment (also perform additional configuration anywhere necessary (?))
- BNL: reservation for local OSCARS to setup magenta segment
- BNL -> UMich: reservation for LDC to setup blue segment
- BNL -> ESnet IDC: reservation for red segment (ESnet + I2)

ESCPS + OSCARS

- Why use OSCARS independently in end-sites?

Because...

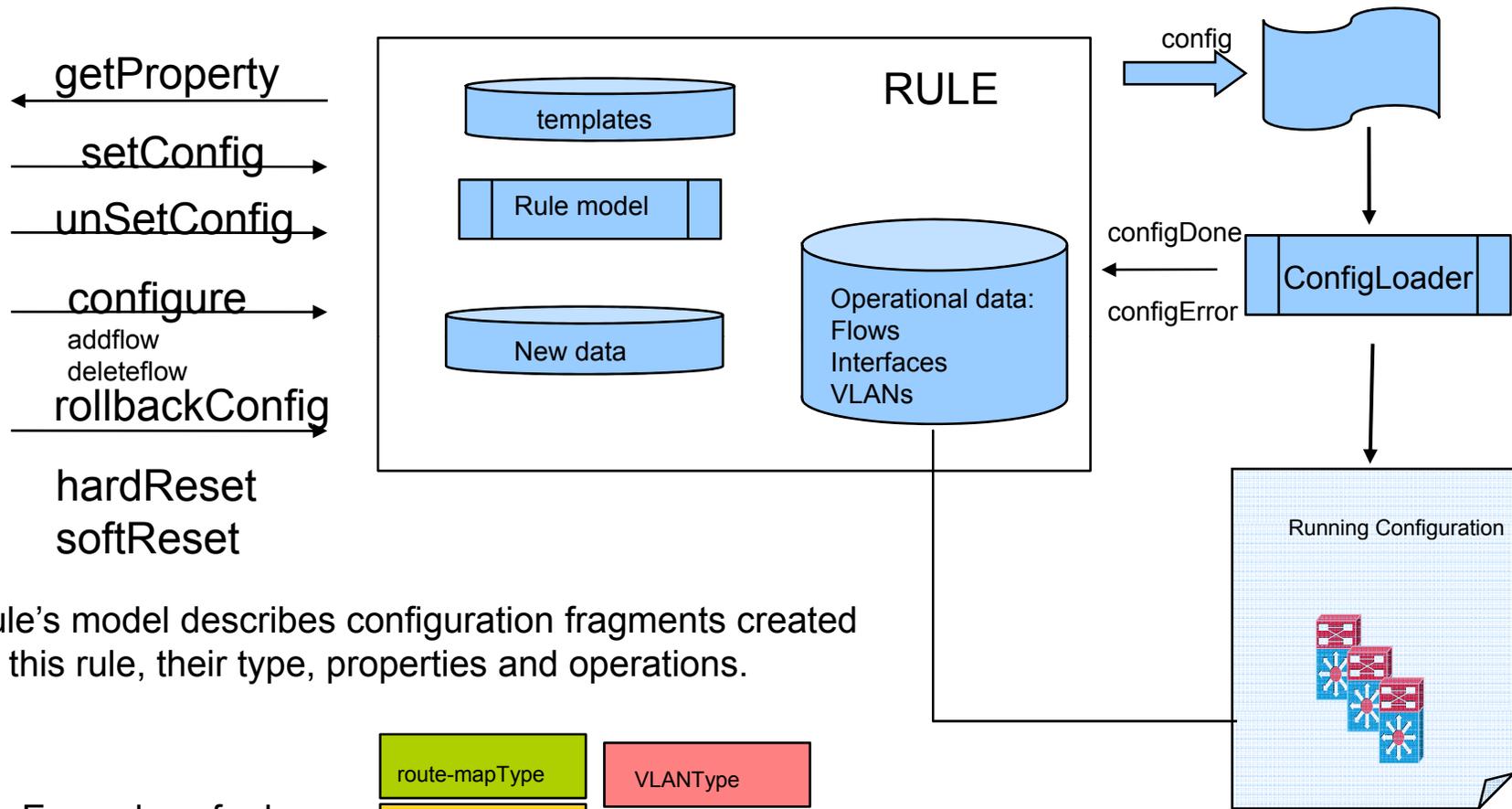
- Linking an end-site OSCARS instance to WAN instances, i.e., using it as an IDC, violates end-site security requirements
- Implementation becomes difficult:
 - End-site “breaks” into two pieces
 - Additional configuration “glue” necessary in the end-site (to be added by the LDC) will be hard to synchronize
 - Switching the end-sites partially to a daisy chain model breaks the negotiation scheme

Extra Slides - FNAL

RESTFuL LDC API

- getKnownAFEEs
- getKnownCircuit
- getAFEERouting
- getVPathList
- getVirtualPathInfo
- AFEELookup
- setVirtualPath
- updateVirtualPath
- cancelVirtualPath

Architecture of a Simple Type Rule



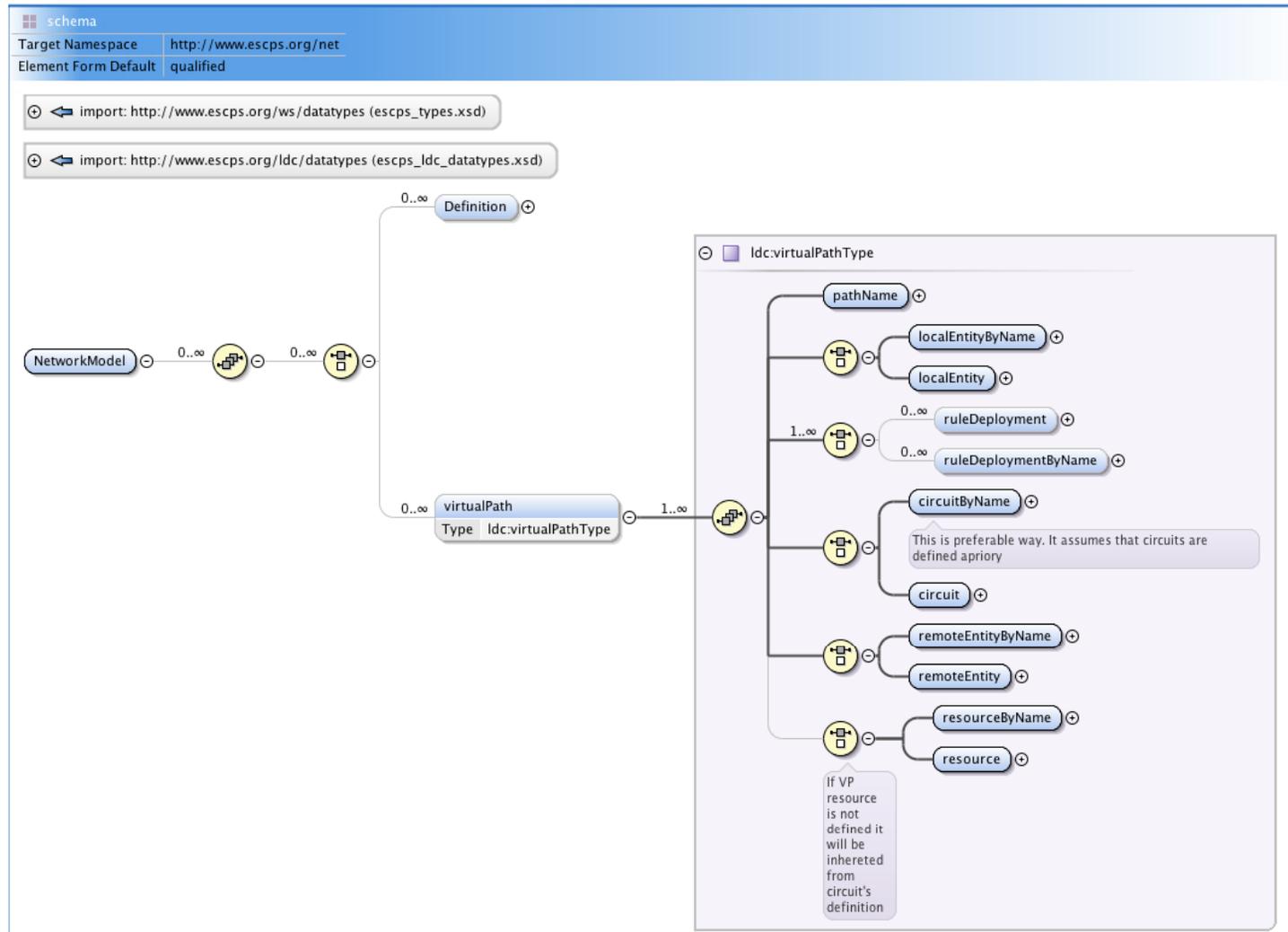
Rule's model describes configuration fragments created by this rule, their type, properties and operations.

Examples of rules

route-mapType	VLANType
ACLType	QoS-ClassType
L3-InterfaceType	policerType

Network Model Schema

Main abstract elements: Virtual Path, Flow Entity (AFEE), circuit, Rule, Resource)



Network Model (Cont)

Defines a virtual path (paths) across LAN in terms of flow entities (AFEE), local and remote, and configuration rules:

..... A fragment of network model:

```
<virtualPath>
  <pathName xmlns="">UNL-DYNAMIC-VP-2</pathName>
  <localEntity xmlns="">
    <name>USCMS-T1-SRM</name>
    <address>131.225.204.1/32</address>
  </localEntity>
  <ruleDeploymentByName xmlns="">cms-wg-pbr-out</ruleDeploymentByName>
  <ruleDeploymentByName xmlns="">unl-circuit-
dynamic</ruleDeploymentByName>
  <ruleDeploymentByName xmlns="">e2e-pbr-in</ruleDeploymentByName>
  <circuitByName xmlns="">unl-fnal-circuit-dynamic</circuitByName>
  <remoteEntity xmlns="">
    <name>UNL</name>
    <address>129.128.1.1/32</address>
  </remoteEntity>
</virtualPath>
</NetworkModel>
```

Monitoring status an LDC service ticket...

Display Resource Details

Id: 675 Remote Ticket Id: 315
 Status: Started Remote Status:
 Application Class: Transactional Requestor: test
 Bandwidth In: Bandwidth Out:
 Total Bandwidth:
 Start Time: 06/23/2011 04:42 PM End Time:
 Duration: 8280000

Ticket Workflow					
Status	Time	Message	Event	Process	Event Result
Remote Booking	06/23/2011 04:45:12 PM	Request from service	Remote Ticket Booking		Recieved
Local Booking	06/23/2011 04:45:41 PM	Process Flow Started	Resource Bandwidth Reservation	resourceManager	Recieved
			Resource Bandwidth Reservation	secondProcess	-
Booked	06/23/2011 04:46:03 PM	Resource Manager booked Ticket			Recieved
Reserved	06/23/2011 04:46:10 PM	Ticket is consolidated			Recieved
Started	06/23/2011 04:46:10 PM	Ticket Start Time reached			Recieved

Local Flow Entity

Name:	USCMS-T1
Addresses	
Applications	

Remote Flow Entity

Name:	kazim
Addresses	
Applications	

Monitoring reservation...

Display Resource Details

Id: 692 Remote Ticket Id:
Status: Active Remote Status:
Application Class: Default Requestor:
Bandwidth In: Bandwidth Out:
Total Bandwidth:
Start Time: 06/23/2011 04:42 PM End Time: 10/14/2014 12:42 AM
Duration:

Reservation Workflow					
Status	Time	Message	Event	Process	Event Result
Accepted	06/23/2011 04:45:40 PM	New reservation created			Recieved
Activating	06/23/2011 04:45:41 PM	Process Flow Started	Network Config Setup:activating	Idc	Recieved
			Configuring DCN:DCNConfigs	Idc	Received
Active	06/23/2011 04:46:21 PM	LDC activated reservation			Recieved

Local Flow Entity

Name:	USCMS-T1
Addresses	
Applications	

Remote Flow Entity

Name:	kazim
Addresses	
Applications	

Close

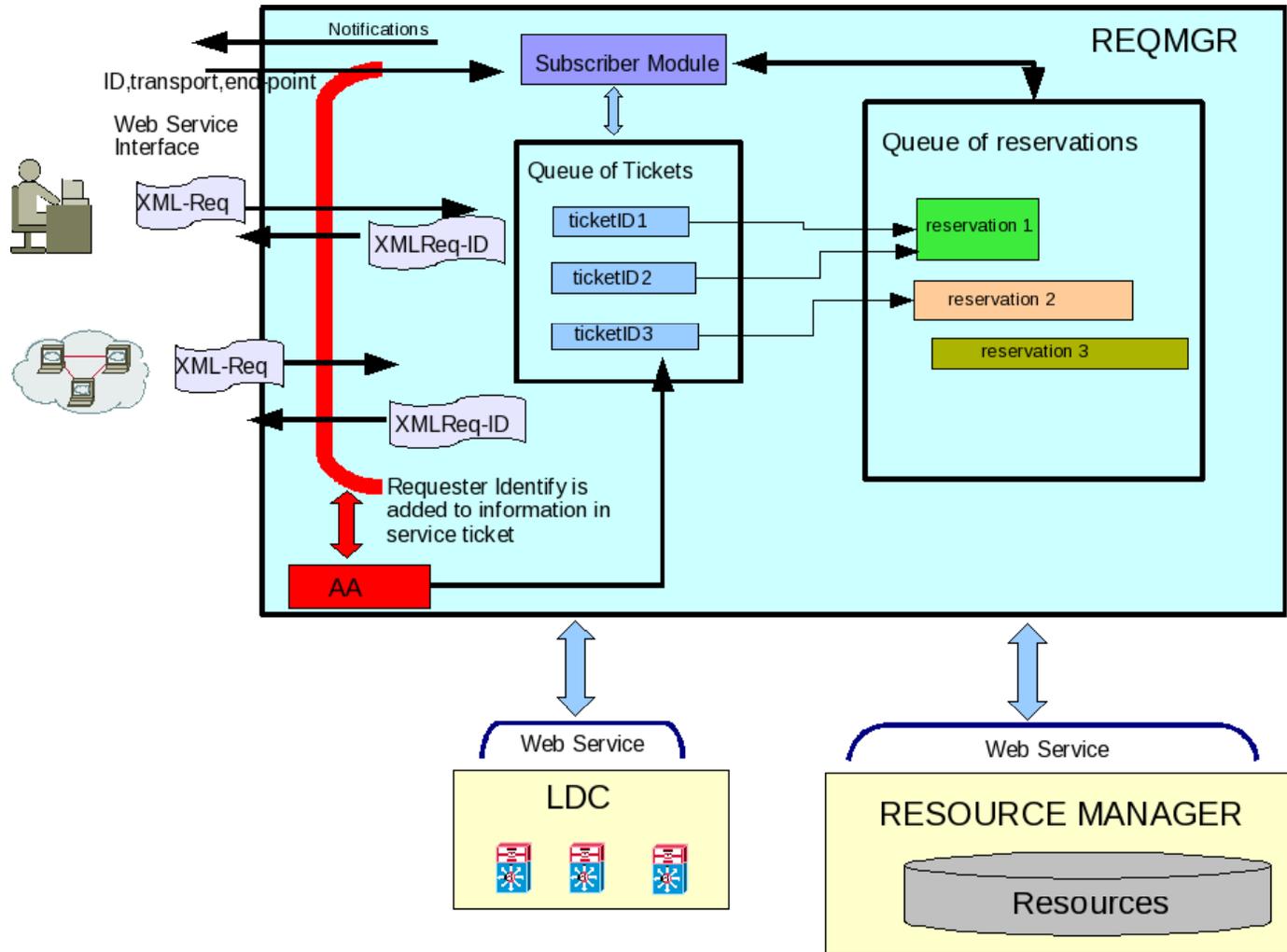
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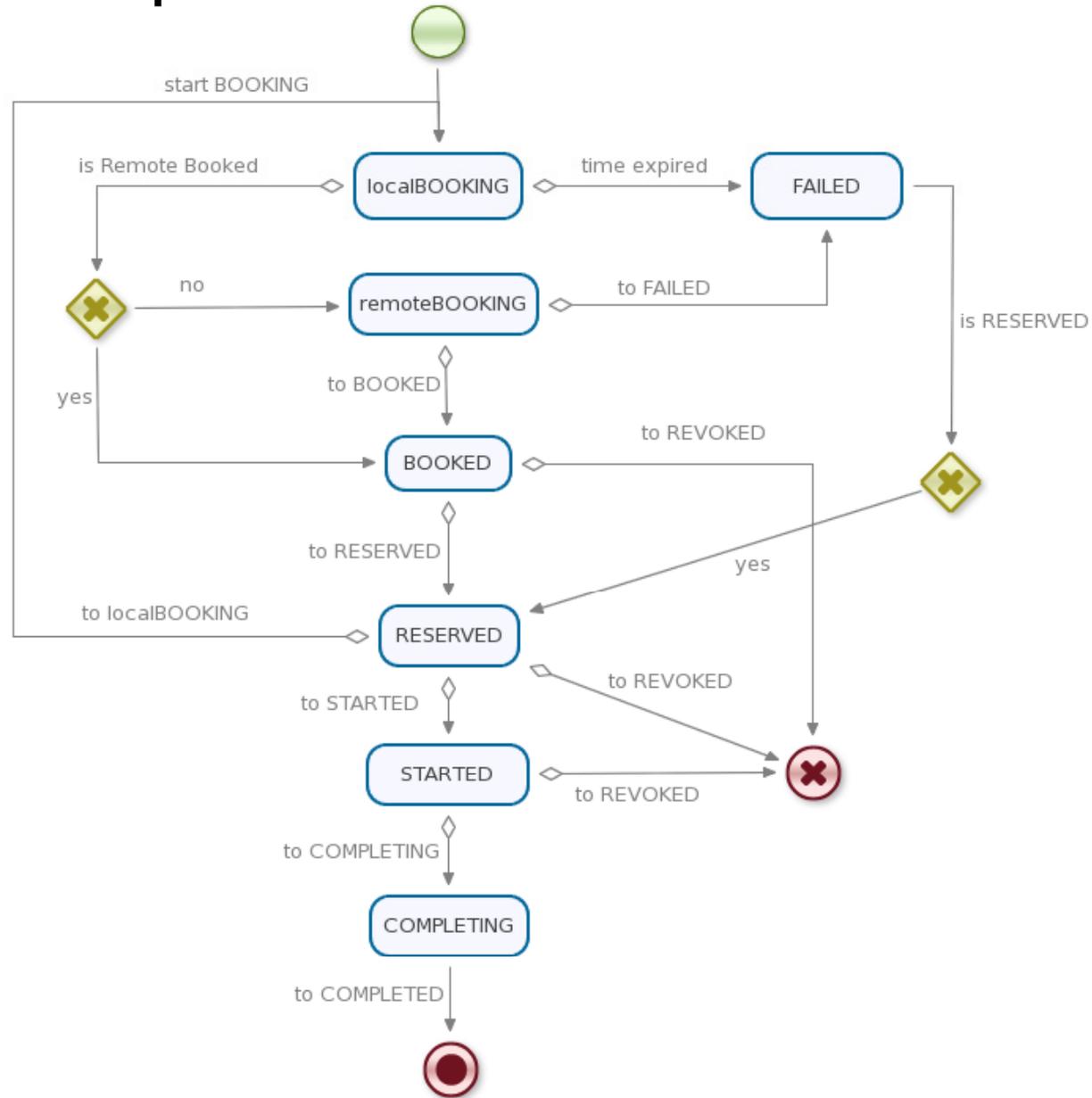
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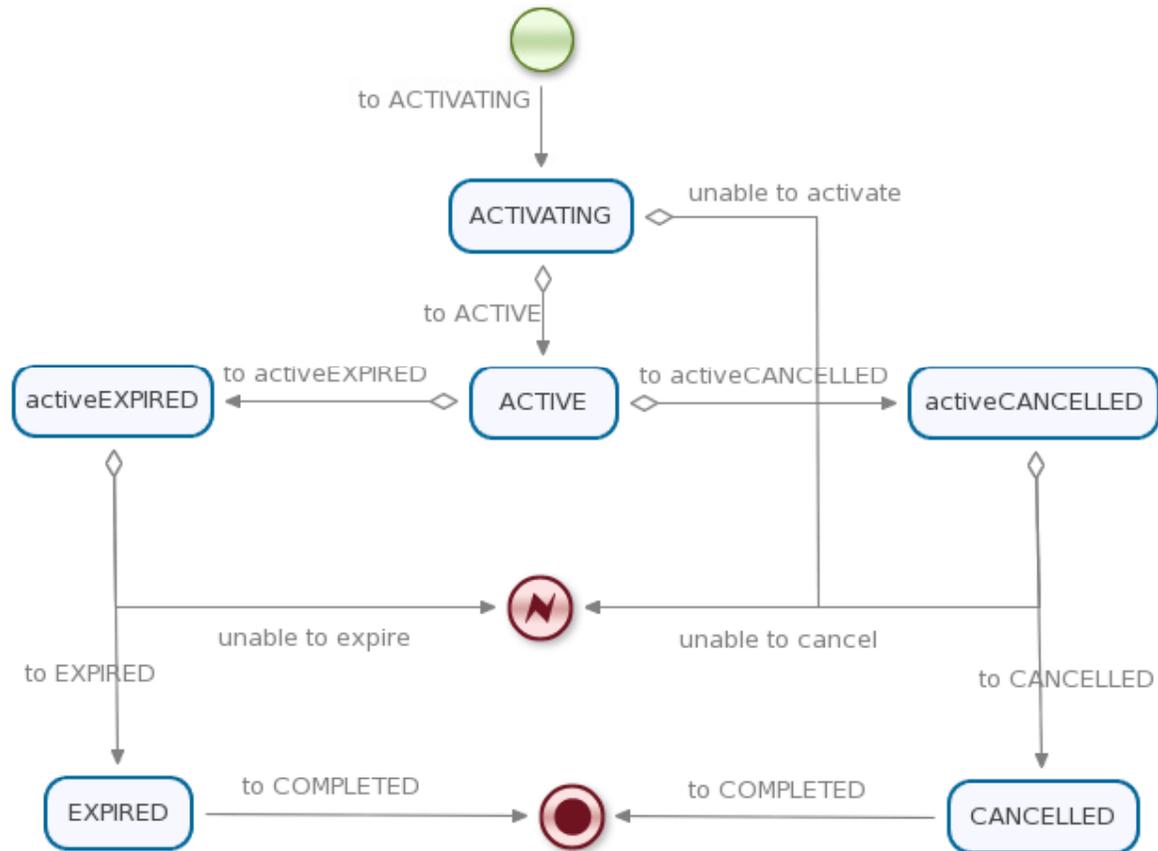
LDC Service Manager Architecture



Simplified LDC Ticket's workflow



Simplified LDC Reservation's workflow



LDC Service Manager RESTFul API

- getServiceTicket
- searchServiceTicket
- addServiceTicket
- updateServiceTicket
- getTicketStatus
- updateTicketStatus
- cancelTicket
- listReservation
- getReservationInfo

Inherit LDC API calls to provide Required informative service to users applications

- getCircuits
- getCircuitInfo
- getListAFEEs
- afeeLookup

Signaling from additional external processes can be to Ticket's workflow via XML configuration file (needs server's restart)

```
<events xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
xsi:noNamespaceSchemaLocation="file:events.xsd">
  <global>
    <processId
name="resourceManager">
      <userid>resID</userid>
      <password>asasa</password>
    </processId>
    <processId
name="secondProcess">
      <userid>secondProcessID</userid>
      <password>asasa</password>
    </processId>
    <processId name="ldc">
      <userid>ldcUser</userid>
      <password>asasa</password>
    </processId>
  </global>
  <event>
    <timeout>300000</timeout>
  </event>
</events>
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<state name="ACTIVATING"
check="ALL">
  <event id="activating">
    <name>Network Config
Setup:activating</name>
    <timeout>250000</timeout>
    <process
id="ldc">
      <defaultMessage>LDC activated
reservation</defaultMessage>
      <defaultErrorMessage>Resource Manager
unable to book Ticket</defaultErrorMessage>
    </process>
  </event>
  <event id="DCNConfig">
    <name>Configuring
DCN:DCNConfigs</name>
    <process
id="ldc">
      <defaultMessage>LDC activated
reservation</defaultMessage>
      <defaultErrorMessage>Resource Manager
unable to book Ticket</defaultErrorMessage>
    </process>
  </event>
</state>
```