GEC 17 Tutorial Part 3(a)

GENI Desktop

and

GEMINI I&M Services

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Collaborators

- Indiana University GEMINI
- University of Utah Flack, Insta/ProtoGENI
- OGPO GENI Portal
- O UNC RENCI iRods, ExoGENI

Historical Perspective

- O Edulab MC Web Server: Web page available on the Measurement Controller node. Designed to make it easy for users to see what it going on in their experiment.
 - Sub-Goals:
 - Automate the task of dynamically deploying an instrumentation and measurement infrastructure within a GENI slice.
 - Provide users with a convenient and simple-to-use interface to the measurement infrastructure.
 - Allow users to customize the interface.
 - Provide a way to save/archive measurements
- INSTOOLS Portal: Web-based GUI providing access to all MC's in a slice.
- GEMINI Portal: Web-based GUI providing access to INSTOOLS and LAMP measurement data across all Global Nodes (GNs)
- (*Relatively New*) GENI Desktop: Extensible web-based GUI
 providing a windowing system for interacting with GENI tools.
 Supports single sign-on to all GENI tools.

GENI Desktop Uses

- O Login to "GENI"
- O Create slices
- View slice topology
- Ssh to slivers (nodes)
- "Instrumentize" a slice (with measurement services)
- View measurement data
- Archive measurement data

GENI Desktop Features

- Single sign-on to various GENI tools
- Interoperates with the GENI Portal, Flack, and iRods
- Supports InstaGENI and ExoGENI racks
- Access to all slices owned by user
- Slice creation/modification via Flack
- A windowing system interface
- Logical, Geographic, and List view of slice
- Single abstraction for interacting with a slice.
- Can be used with/without instrumentation.
- Quick access to (instantiated) resource details.

- Ssh access to a set of nodes.
- Ability to run commands across sets of nodes.
- Ability to upload files to sets of nodes.
- Optional instrumentation of a slice
- Quick access to, and visualization of, commonly used measurement data.
- Ability to drill down to additional measurement information
- Ability to control active and passive measurements
- Ability to record notes about an experiment via a CMS
- o and several other features.

GENI Desktop Login Page

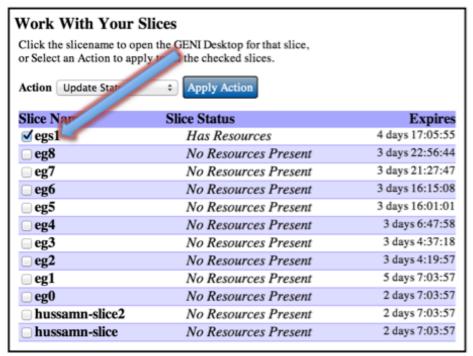




Welcome Page and Slice List

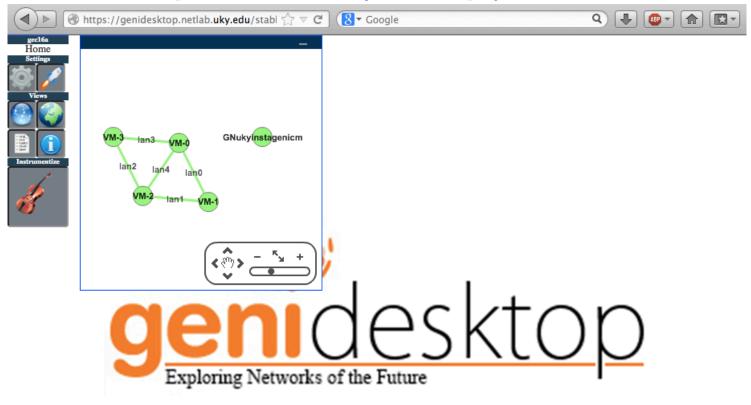


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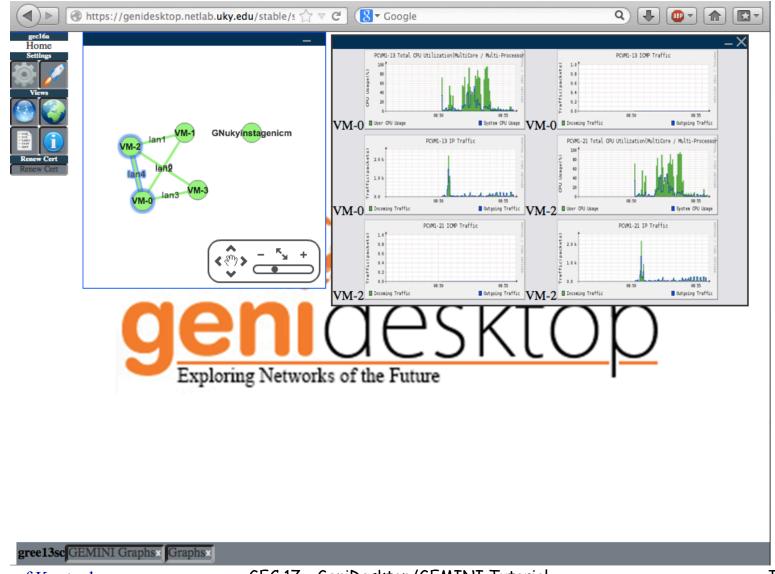




Logical Topology View



I&M Traffic View



The GENI Desktop Unifying Abstraction

O Goal:

- Support multiple ways to "visualize" a slice, and
- Make it easy to apply an operation to a subset of resources within a slice.

O Common Requirement:

- Select Resources: Provide a unified well-known way to select resources, regardless of the "view" of the slice.
- Apply Operations: Provide a unified well-known way to apply an operation to a set of resources.
- Idea: Use an abstraction familiar to users
- Solution: Model the interface after the well-known file browser interface. The analogy is selecting files in a file browser and applying an operation (regardless of the "view" - e.g., list view, icon view, detailed view, etc.)

Two Phase Initialization

- O Phase I: Initialize access to MP nodes
 - Load software onto GN to allow it to act as a proxy for reaching MP nodes
 - GENI Desktop does this step for you if it has not yet been done.
 - Available services include:
 - Slice visualization
 - MP information visualization
 - Ssh access
 - File upload
 - Run commands
- O Phase II (Optional): Initialize Instrumentation and Measurement Services
 - Load software on GN and MPs needed to instrumentize and view measurement data
 - Available services include:
 - View commonly used active and passive traffic graphs
 - View detailed node information and less frequently used graphs
 - Configure instrumentation and measurement system
 - Archive measurement data

Slice/Topology "Views"

Three types of Views

Logical View

 Provides a logical view of the topology and links between nodes. Nodes and links can be selected to identify a set of nodes/links.

Geographic/Map View

 Provides a map view of the topology showing the geographic location where nodes are located and the links connecting them. Nodes and links can be selected to identify a set of nodes/links.

List View

 A textual list of the nodes and links in a slice. Nodes and links can be selected to identify a set of nodes/links. The list can be filtered (searched) to reduce the number of nodes/links displayed.

O Observations

- There is a single unified interaction model
- Selecting nodes/links in one view selects the same nodes/links in another view.
- Logical and Geographic views make it easy to visualize the topology and interconnections between nodes.
- The List view is useful for large topologies because the topology can be quickly filtered to nodes/links of interest.

Demonstration

Tutorial and Exercises

You will work through a set of exercises. We will give you an overview and examples, but NOT step-by-step instructions. The goal is for you to try out things on your own.

Thank You!

Questions?

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