

GENI Desktop

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- UI changes/additions
 - Hide and show Slices feature when slice list is too long
 - Show (user's) visual representation of rspec as a thumbnail
 - Show/Edit Slice membership like the portal
 - Rspec upload feature now supports re-binding of rspecs (to new AMs) on upload and/or when used.
 - Uploaded Rspecs can be uploaded as public / private for user / private within project
 - Uploaded Rspec are user tagged. Tags can later be used to search for Rspecs by any user
 - GEMINI Extensions plugin implemented (like the one in FLACK)
 - Live logger for stitching experiment creation.
 - New modules to add/control routes on nodes
 - Local archive module
 - Added Speaks for tool in GD (URL Hidden)

What's new this time ?(Cont.)

- Backend/Hidden additions and modifications
 - CreateSliver uses the stitcher tool if it detects that stitching is needed in the rspec
 - GEMINI Extension added intelligently when rspec is uploaded in GD
 - Migrated to using omni 2.5 with Common Federation API Support
 - This removes GD dependency on portal to provide user's GENI cert, SSL Private keys, SSH Keypairs and project membership details
 - Takes us one step closer to speaks-for integration (GEC21)
 - Added new operations to omni for use as library in GD
 - Provide support for editing slice Membership
 - Can be done after slivers have been created
 - Auto-Fix slivers where users added to slice after sliver creation
 - GD now uses its own ssh key pair to access slivers in a user's slice (uses AMAPIv3 POA `geni_update_users`).
 - User's passphrase no longer needed (Exception in case of Exogeni)

- Move towards a fully functional speaks-for login for the GD
 - Requires us to update/re-do some more backend.
 - Convert all omni related call to use the speaks-for cred
- Move to using omni 2.6 (trying to keep up)
- Enable UI for options to stitcher tool via GD
- More surprises... 😊

What Developers could use from us ?

- Can write your own module to integrate your tool into the GeniDesktop. Each Tool module receives
 - Notifications on links and nodes being selected/deselected in the topology views provided by the GD
 - Can interact with the GD via the GD Messaging API
- Can use other existing GD services like software copy/installation services
- Integrate with GD initialization phase to support their module

What do we use that others could use ?

- Omni / stitcher for AM /SA /CH related operations
 - Omni has lots of potential and can be extended to perform a lot more operations than advertised.
- Speaks-for XML Signer tool
 - Thanks to Utah for this.
- Cytoscape (FLASH and HTML5) as topology viewer and GD interaction UI
- GEMINI I & M

Tools/Services we would like to use ?

- Jacks
- Geni-lib
- More features offered by the Common CH API
- And possibly more as we find them ... 😊

Our Experiences: The Good and the Bad

- Common Federation API and AM APIv3 POA (geni_update_keys)
- No more performance issues when performing multithreaded operations at AM and CH
- Multi-Threaded operations come with their own set of headaches
- Ssl timeouts in omni call
- Error/failure conditions when talking to AM
 - There are many error conditions/codes to look for and avoid so that the UI does not hang
- Omni POA geni_update_sshkeys operations works differently for portal and protogeni accounts.

