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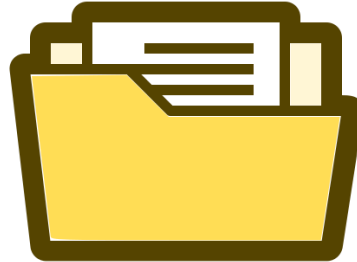
The Experiment Specification

What is an Experiment Specification?

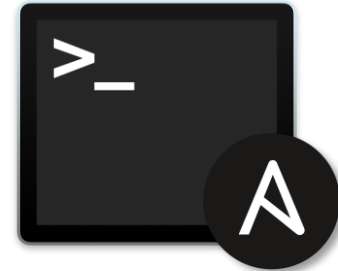
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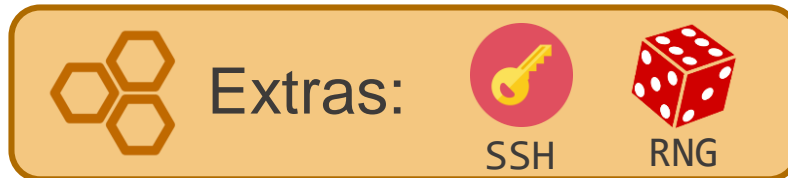
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Specification



Files to be
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Commands
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Deploying OpenStack with EnOS

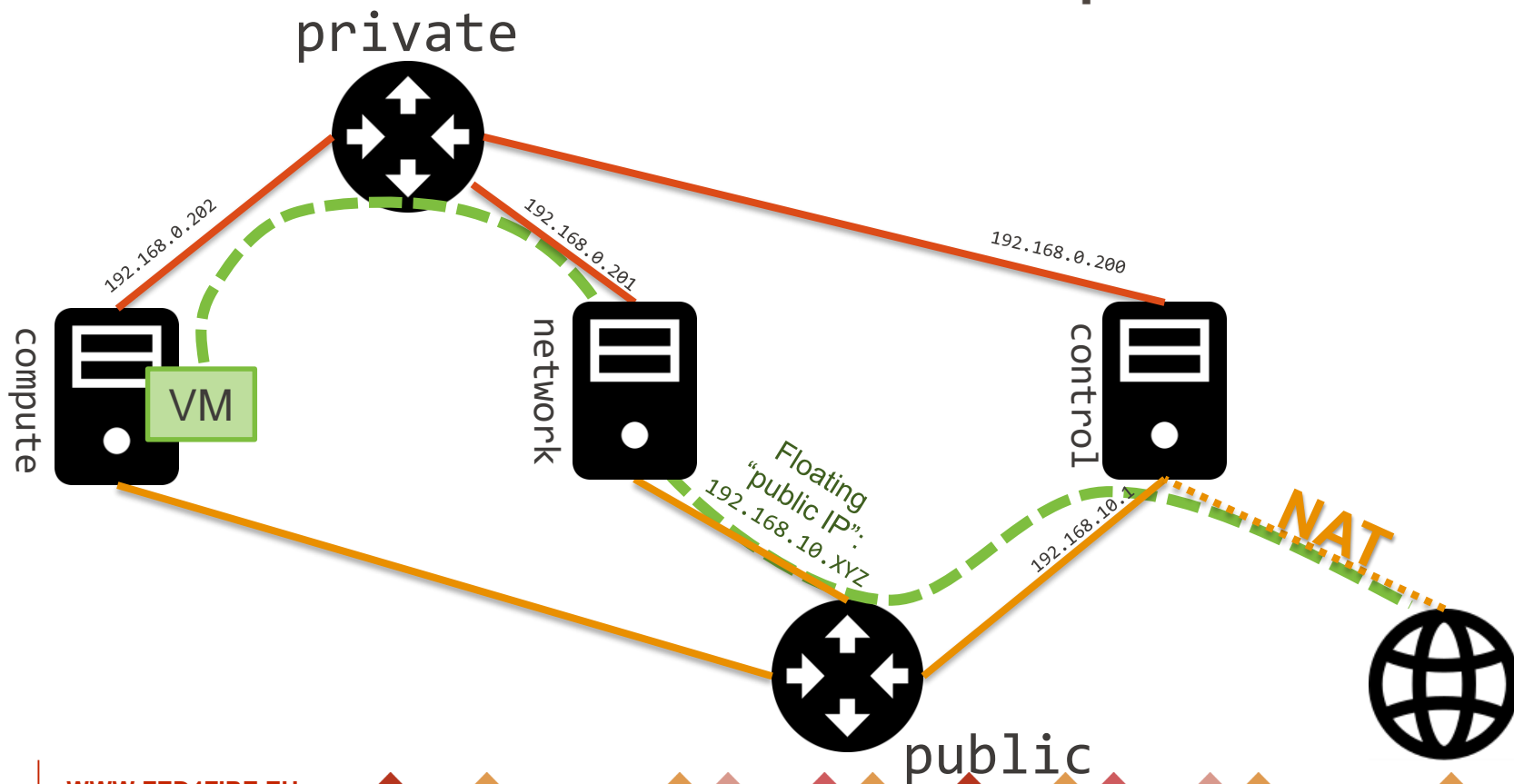
Deploying OpenStack with EnOS



EnOS allows you to **Deploy**, **Customize** and **Benchmark** OpenStack

- Developed by Inria
- Wrapper around **Kolla-Ansible**
- Deploys all OS-services as Docker containers
- ESPEC generates the EnOS config file for bootstrapping the deployment

OpenStack experiment architecture



Resources on EnOS

Tutorial

<https://doc.ilabt.imec.be/ilabt/virtualwall/tutorials/openstack.html>

EnOS documentation

<https://enos.readthedocs.io/>

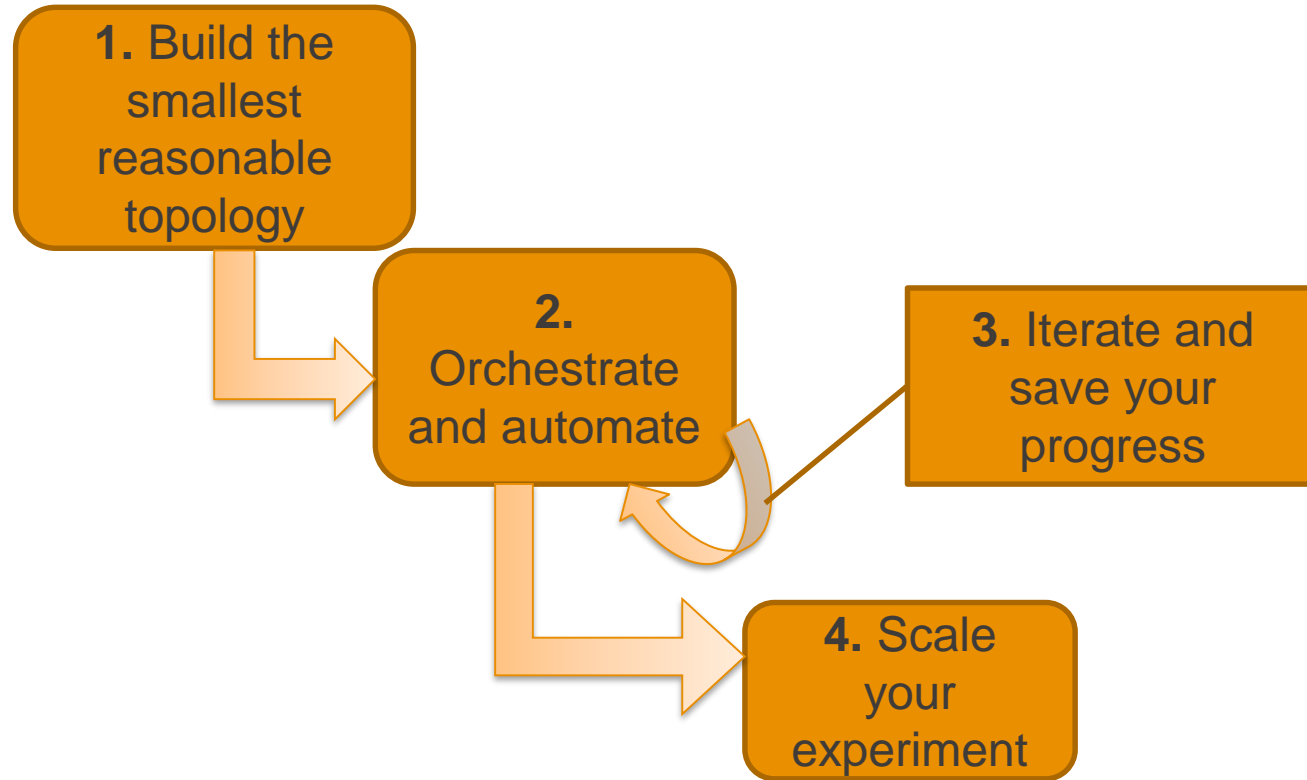
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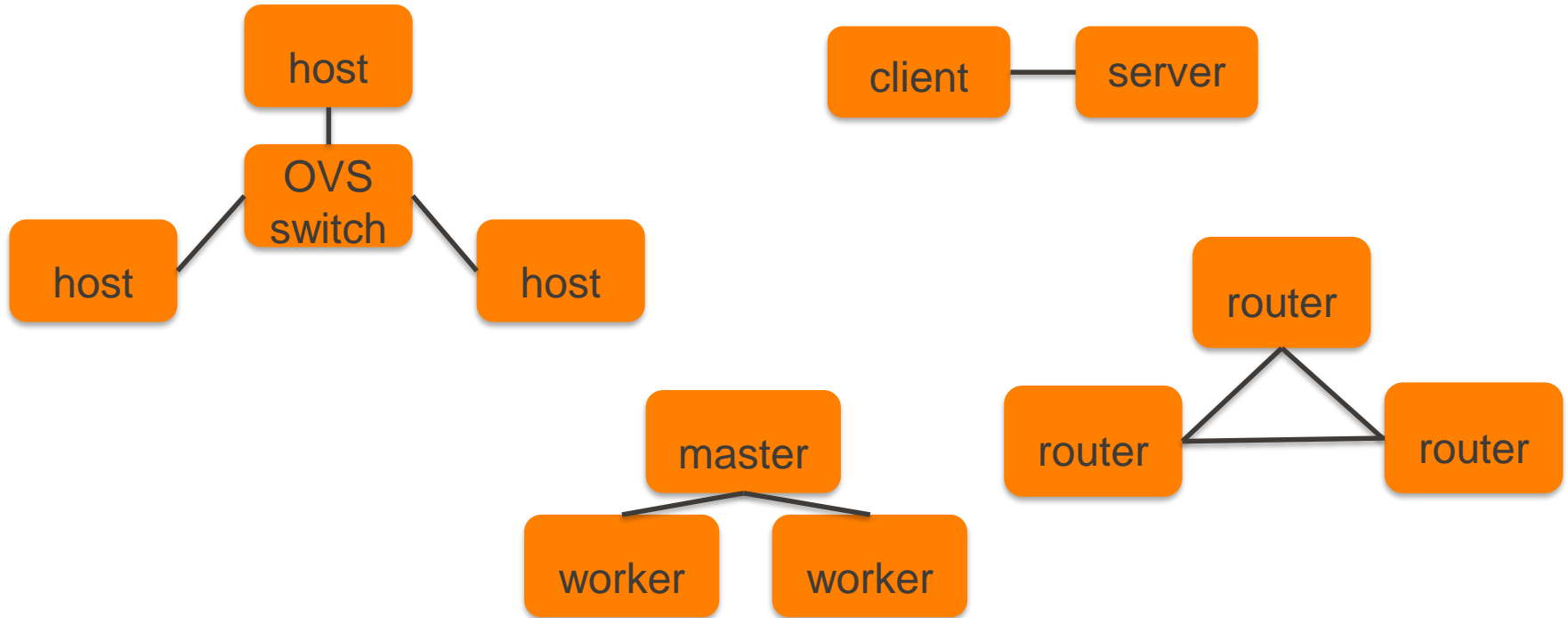


Workflow for creating and scaling up experiments

Recommended workflow



1. Build the smallest reasonable topology



2. Automate as you go

Use Configuration Management Systems to automate installation and configuration of software

Many tools available for this job: Ansible, Chef, Puppet, ...



3. Save your progress

Log all of your experimental artifacts for every experiment that works

- RSpec
- image
- install script
- custom software
- measurements
- etc.



Use version control to store your artifacts

Always know the **last configuration that worked**

4. Scale your experiment

Only scale up when your smallest reasonable experiment is working



Adapt your request RSpec to add more nodes

- Roll your own scaling script: mostly copy/pasting with minimal editing required
- Use geni-lib

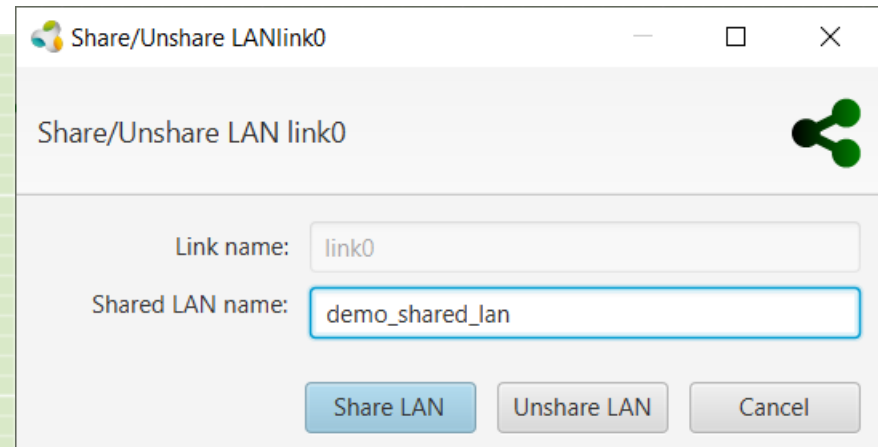
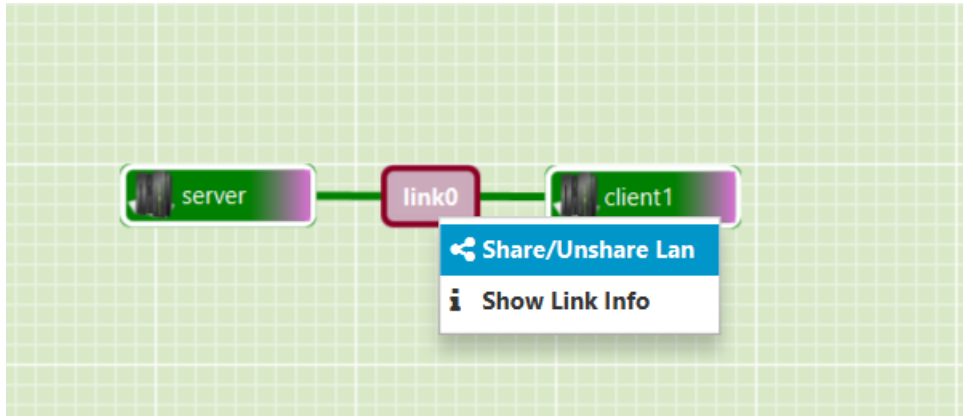


**Scaling up
experiments with
shared LAN's**

Shared LAN

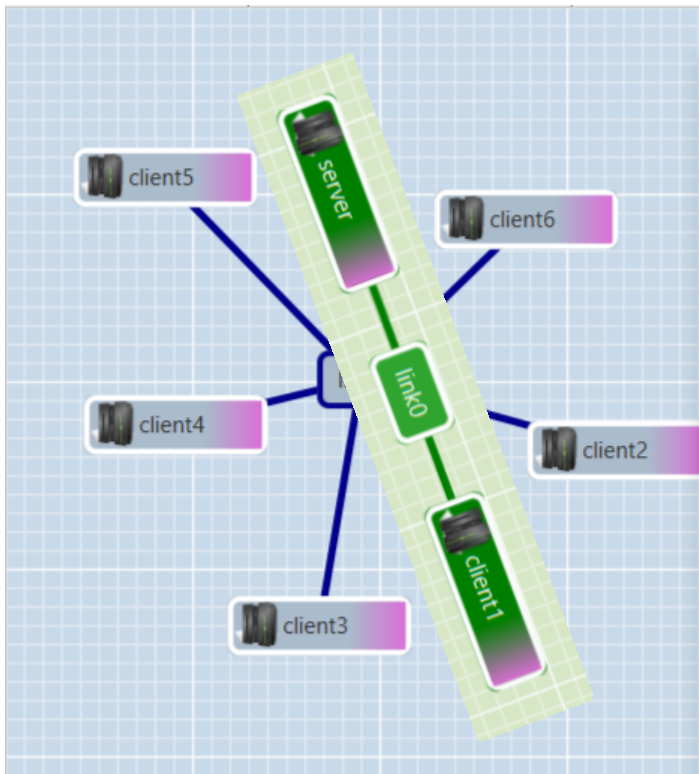
Shared LAN's allow you to add extra servers to an existing network in an experiment

Step 1: Right click on network and choose “Share/Unshare Lan”

A dialog box titled 'Share/Unshare LANlink0'. It has a close button (X) and a maximize button (square). The main title is 'Share/Unshare LAN link0' with a share icon. Below this, there are two input fields: 'Link name:' with the value 'link0' and 'Shared LAN name:' with the value 'demo_shared_lan'. At the bottom, there are three buttons: 'Share LAN', 'Unshare LAN', and 'Cancel'.

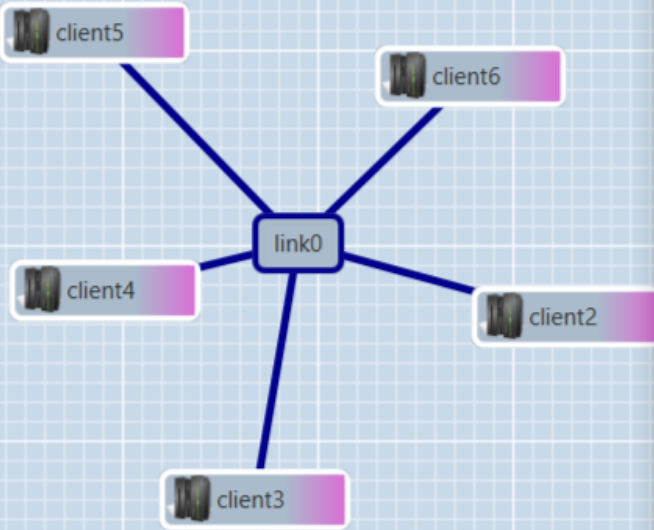
Shared LAN

Step 2: Design a new experiment with extra servers



Shared LAN

Step 3: Fix duplicate IP-addresses



The diagram shows a central node labeled 'link0' connected to five client nodes: 'client2', 'client3', 'client4', 'client5', and 'client6'. Each client node is represented by a computer icon and a label.

Properties of link0

General Impairment Link Type

Link name: link0

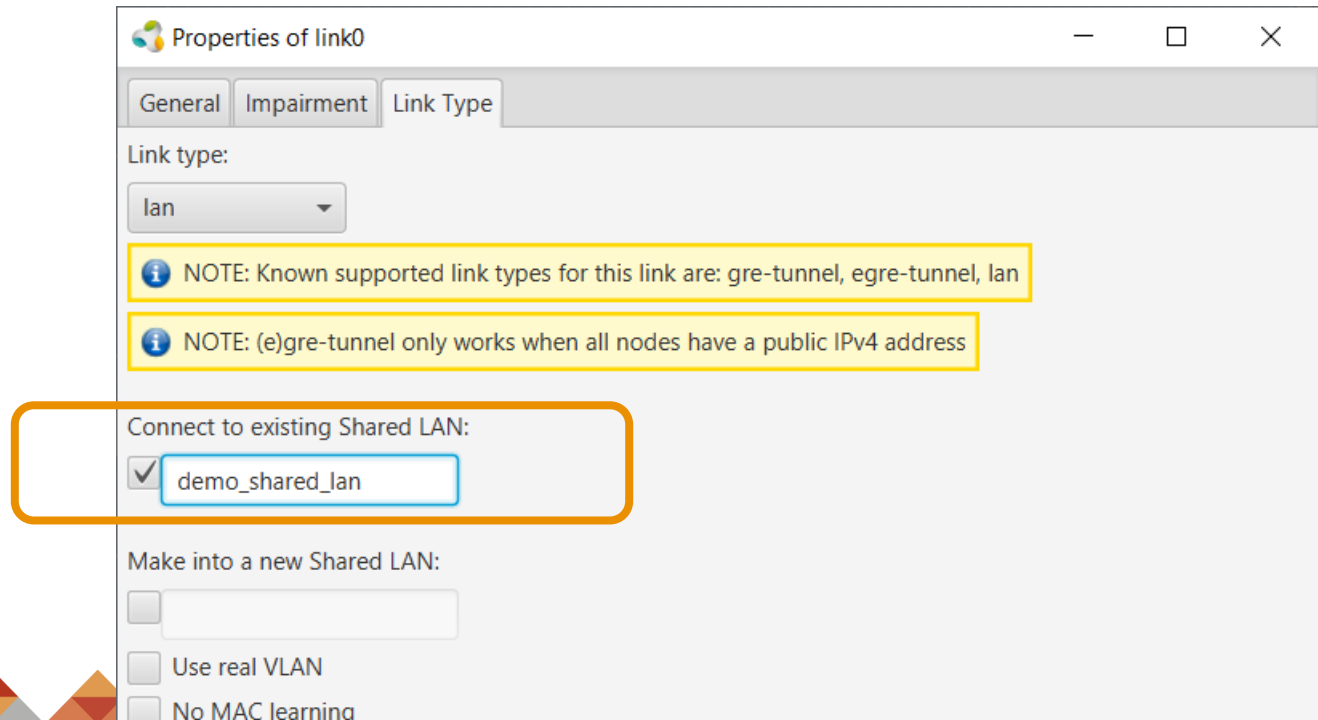
Configuration type: ☐ Automatic ☒ IPv4 ☐ IPv6

Interface ID	IP Address	Netmask
client2:if0	192.168.0.3	255.255.255.0
client3:if0	192.168.0.4	255.255.255.0
client4:if0	192.168.0.5	255.255.255.0
client5:if0	192.168.0.6	255.255.255.0
client6:if0	192.168.0.7	255.255.255.0

IP addresses:

Shared LAN

Step 4: Configure link in new experiment to connect to existing Shared LAN

A screenshot of a software window titled "Properties of link0". The window has three tabs: "General", "Impairment", and "Link Type", with "Link Type" currently selected. Under the "Link type:" label, there is a dropdown menu showing "lan". Below this, there are two informational notes in yellow boxes: "NOTE: Known supported link types for this link are: gre-tunnel, egre-tunnel, lan" and "NOTE: (e)gre-tunnel only works when all nodes have a public IPv4 address". Further down, under the heading "Connect to existing Shared LAN:", there is a checked checkbox followed by a text input field containing "demo_shared_lan". Below this, under the heading "Make into a new Shared LAN:", there is an unchecked checkbox followed by an empty text input field. At the bottom, there are two more unchecked checkboxes labeled "Use real VLAN" and "No MAC learning".

Properties of link0

General Impairment Link Type

Link type:

lan

NOTE: Known supported link types for this link are: gre-tunnel, egre-tunnel, lan

NOTE: (e)gre-tunnel only works when all nodes have a public IPv4 address

Connect to existing Shared LAN:

☒ demo_shared_lan

Make into a new Shared LAN:

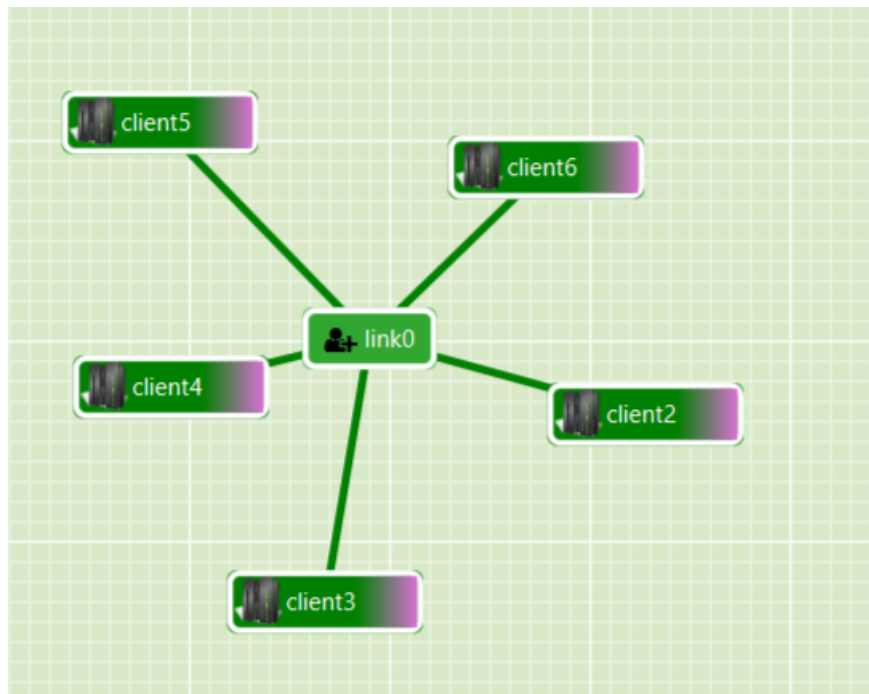
☐

☐ Use real VLAN

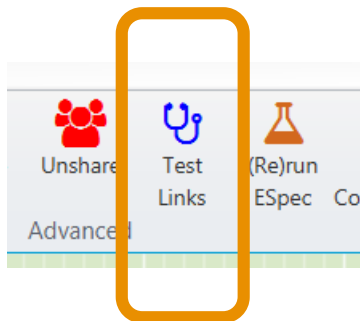
☐ No MAC learning

Shared LAN

Step 5: Start the new experiment



Test your links!



Link Test Results

Link Test Results:

Node	Linked Node	Iface	Ping	Speed (Mbps)		
				Expected	Configured	Measured
client1	server	eth5	🔴	1000	👍 1000	🔴 -1.0
server	client1	eth5	🔴	1000	👍 1000	🔴 -1.0
client5	client3	vlan111	👍	1000	👍 1000	👍 489.746646712
client5	client4	vlan111	👍	1000	👍 1000	👍 492.140587152
client5	client6	vlan111	👍	1000	👍 1000	👍 488.040384463
client4	client2	vlan111	👍	1000	👍 1000	👍 522.419180941
client4	client3	vlan111	👍	1000	👍 1000	👍 557.23429412
client4	client5	vlan111	👍	1000	👍 1000	👍 477.703914703
client4	client6	vlan111	👍	1000	👍 1000	👍 481.068355329
client2	client3	vlan111	👍	1000	👍 1000	👍 507.138970557

Close



Examples of advanced networking experiments

Using multiple testbeds in an experiment

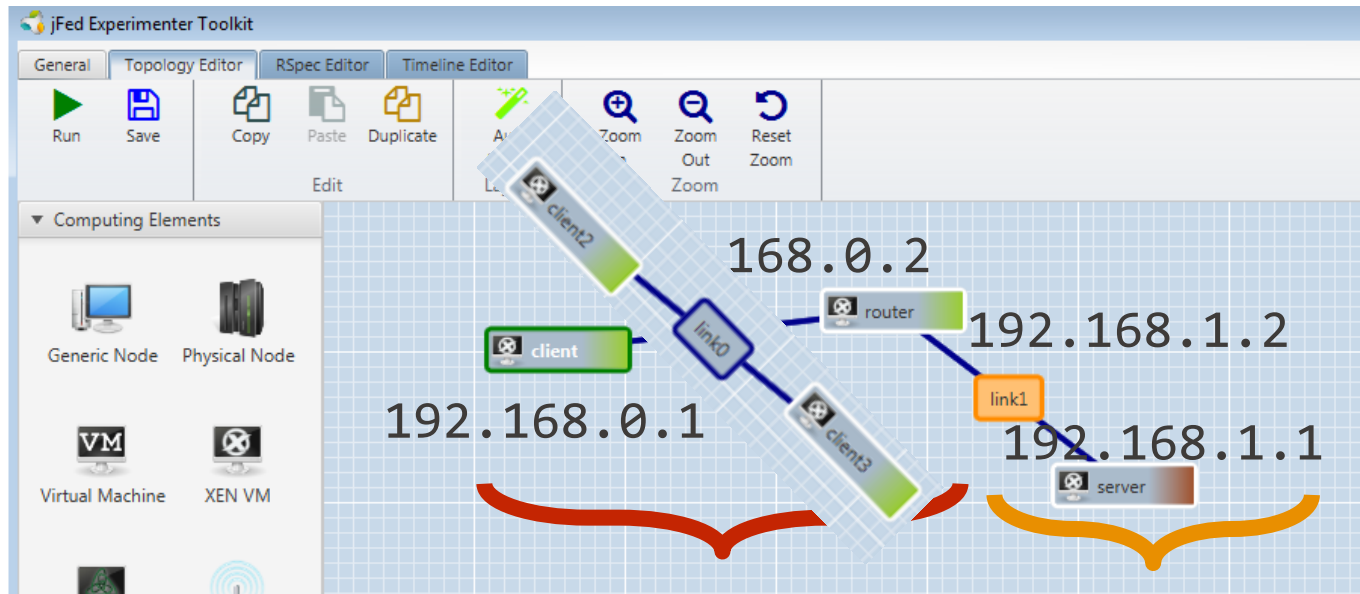
PUBLIC INTERNET

- + Available between all testbeds
- No guarantee on latency, throughput, packet loss, ...
- Sometimes only NAT-ted access to public internet

PRIVATE CONNECTIONS

- ~ Available between certain testbeds (Fed4FIRE+, but also GENI (=US testbeds))
- + Better guarantees on latency throughput, packet loss
- ~ Not well documented due to volatile nature
→ Contact us!

Topology

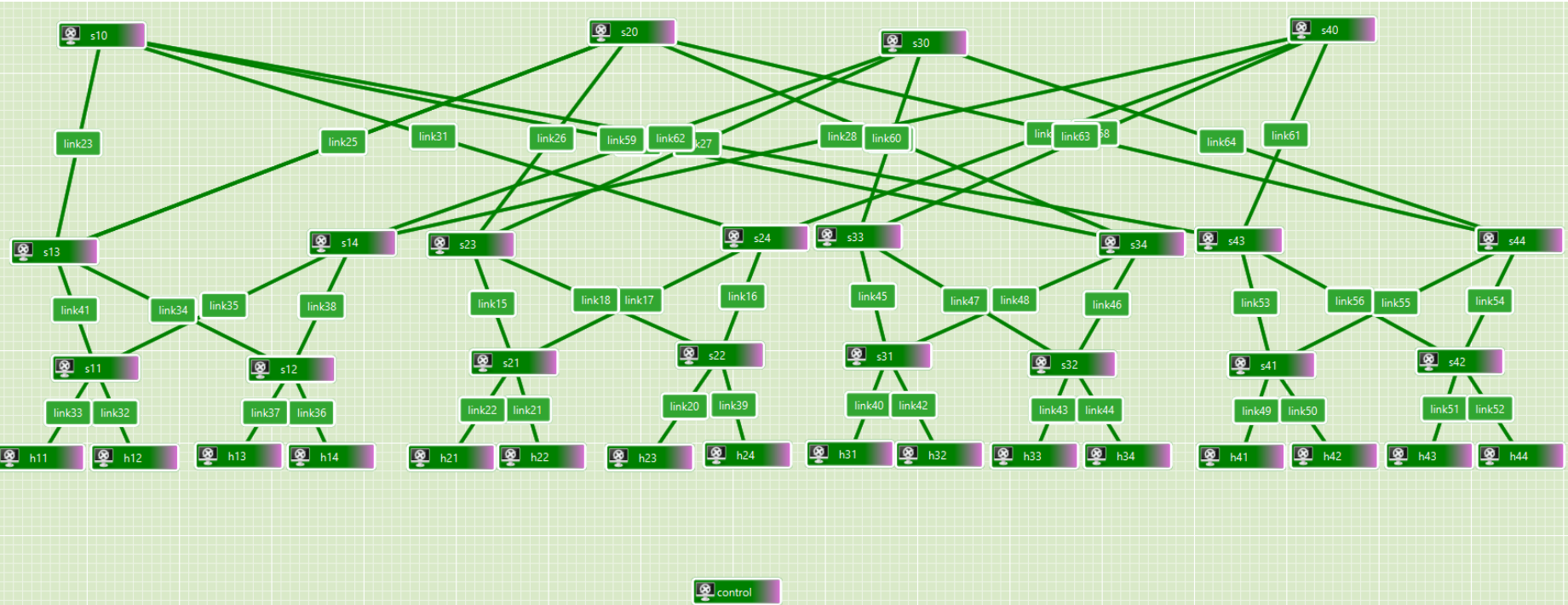


RACK 1

RACK 2

```
route add -net 192.168.1.0/24 gw 192.168.0.2
```

Advanced SDN experiment



Documentation

FED4FIRE+

Testbeds Overview

<https://www.fed4fire.eu/testbeds/>

Technical Documentation

<https://doc.fed4fire.eu/>



Scaling up manually

Scaling manually: nodes

```
<rspec type="request" xmlns=...>  
  <node client_id="node0" exclusive="true"  
component_manager_id="urn:publicid:IDN+wall2.ilabt.iminds.be  
+authority+cm">  
    <sliver_type name="raw-pc"/>  
  </node>  
</rspec>
```

Copy paste <node>-element with all its child elements

Change client_id of node to be unique

Scaling manually: nodes

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<rspec type="request" xmlns=...>
  <node client_id="node0" exclusive="true"
component_manager_id="urn:publicid:IDN+wall2.ilabt.iminds.be
+authority+cm">
    <sliver_type name="raw-pc"/>
  </node>
  <node client_id="node1" exclusive="true"
component_manager_id="urn:publicid:IDN+wall2.ilabt.iminds.be
+authority+cm">
    <sliver_type name="raw-pc"/>
  </node>
</rspec>
```

Scaling manually: nodes with links



```
<rspec type="request" xmlns=...>
  <node client_id="node0" exclusive="false"
component_manager_id="urn:publicid:IDN+utahddc.geniracks.net+auth
ority+cm">
    <sliver_type name="default-vm"/>
    <interface client_id="node0:if0">
        <ip address="192.168.0.1" netmask="255.255.255.0"
type="ipv4"/>
    </interface>
</node>
  <node client_id="node1" exclusive="false"
component_manager_id="urn:publicid:IDN+utahddc.geniracks.net+auth
ority+cm">
    <sliver_type name="default-vm"/>
    <interface client id="node1:if0">
```

Scaling manually

- Copy paste <node>-element with all its child elements
- Change `client_id` of node and interface to be unique
- Change IP-addresses of interface to prevent duplicates
- Add extra interface-reference in <link>

Pay attention to the
details!



**Scaling an experiment
with geni-lib**

What is geni-lib?

- **Python library** for querying the GENI Aggregate Manager API
- Allows you to:
 - List resources;
 - Create experiments;
 - Change experiments;
 - Query experiments;
 - ...

Advantages / Disadvantages

- + Very powerful
- + Gives low-level access to the various resources
- Requires a deep understanding of how the GENI AM API works
- Focused on support of GENI-resources: more manual work needed for using Fed4FIRE resources

Example: Query available resources

```
In [3]: import geni.util  
context = geni.util.loadContext()  
import geni.aggregate.instageni as IGAM  
ad = IGAM.Illinois.listresources(context)
```

```
In [4]: ad.routable_addresses.available
```

```
Out[4]: 148
```

```
In [13]: for node in ad.nodes:  
         print node.name  
  
procurve2  
pc3  
pc5  
interconnect-ion  
pc1  
interconnect-campus  
vtsbox  
pc2  
interconnect-geni-core  
pc4  
internet
```

Example: Create an request

```
In [1]: import geni.rspec.pg as PG
import geni.rspec.egext as EGX
import geni.rspec.igext as IGX

# Create request container
r = PG.Request()

# Create InstaGENI VM
igvm = IGX.XenVM("vm1")

# Add it to the request container
r.addResource(igvm)
```

```
In [3]: r.toXMLString()
```

```
Out[3]: '<rspec xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance" xmlns:client="http://www.protogeni.net/resources/rspec/ext/client/1" xmlns="http://www.geni.net/resources/rspec/3" xsi:schemaLocation="http://www.geni.net/resources/rspec/3 http://www.geni.net/resources/rspec/3/request.xsd" type="request"><node client_id="vm1" exclusive="false"><sliver_type name="emulab-xen"><ns0:xen xmlns:ns0="http://www.protogeni.net/resources/rspec/ext/emulab/1" cores="1" ram="512"/></sliver_type></node></rspec>'
```

Additional resources on geni-lib

Documentation:

<https://geni-lib.readthedocs.io>

Tutorial on scaling:

<http://groups.geni.net/geni/wiki/GEC21Agenda/ScalingUp>



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