

perfSONAR

Introduction

performance Service-Oriented Network monitoring Architecture

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Who?

What?

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Why?

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What is perfSONAR?

performance Service-Oriented Network monitoring Architecture

A toolkit which helps you to:

- Set network performance expectations
- Find network problems (“soft failures”)
- Helps coordinate fixing these problems



... all in a multi-domain environment

Source www.freepik.com

Hard vs. Soft Failures

Source: www.whatfix.com

Hard failures

- Fibre breaks
- Power failures
- Equipment death

Soft failures

Everything's working – just...*not right*



*“As long as TCP continue to function properly and the internet system does not become **completely** partitioned...no transmission errors will affect the users.”*

Who made perfSONAR?

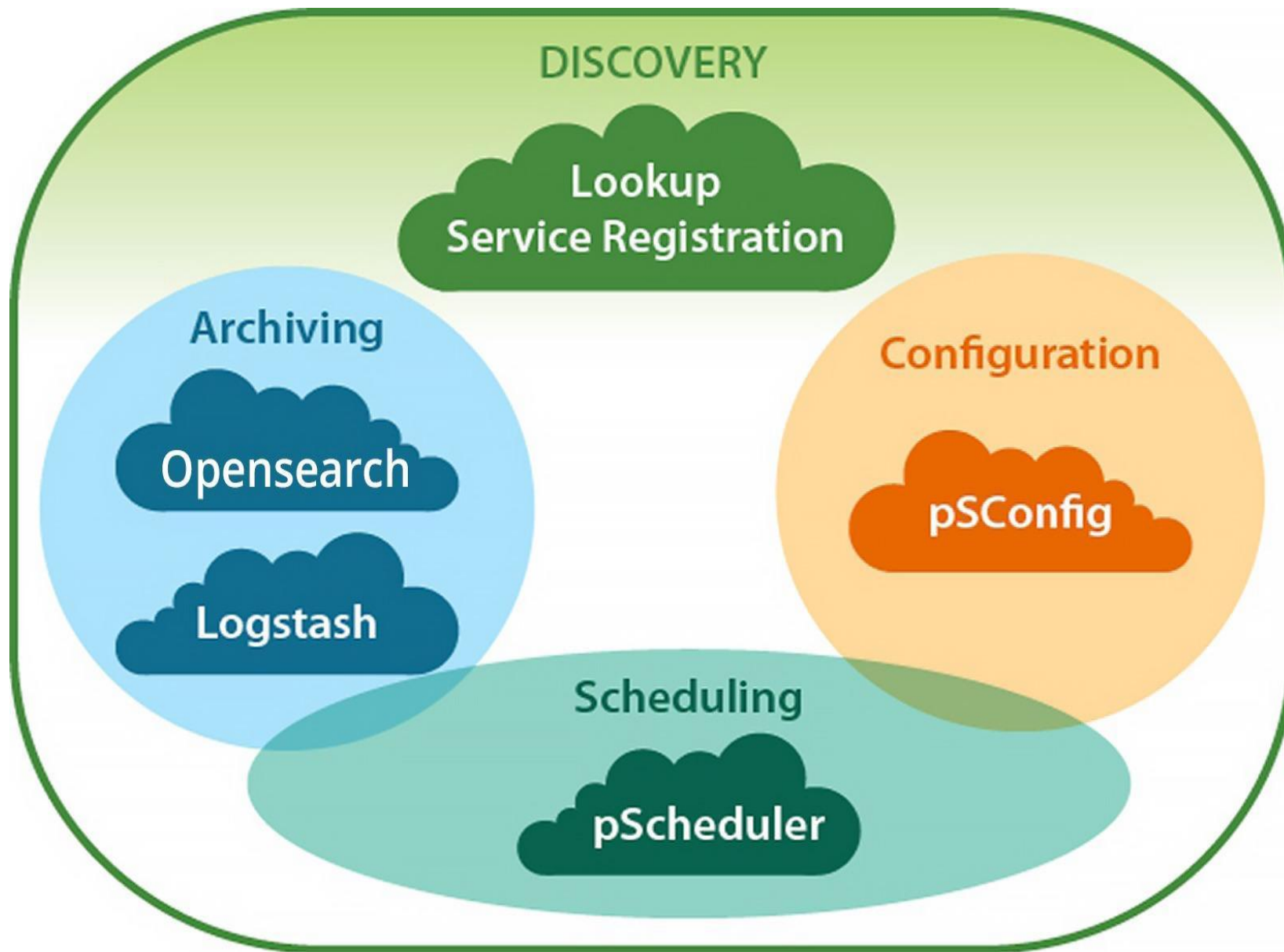
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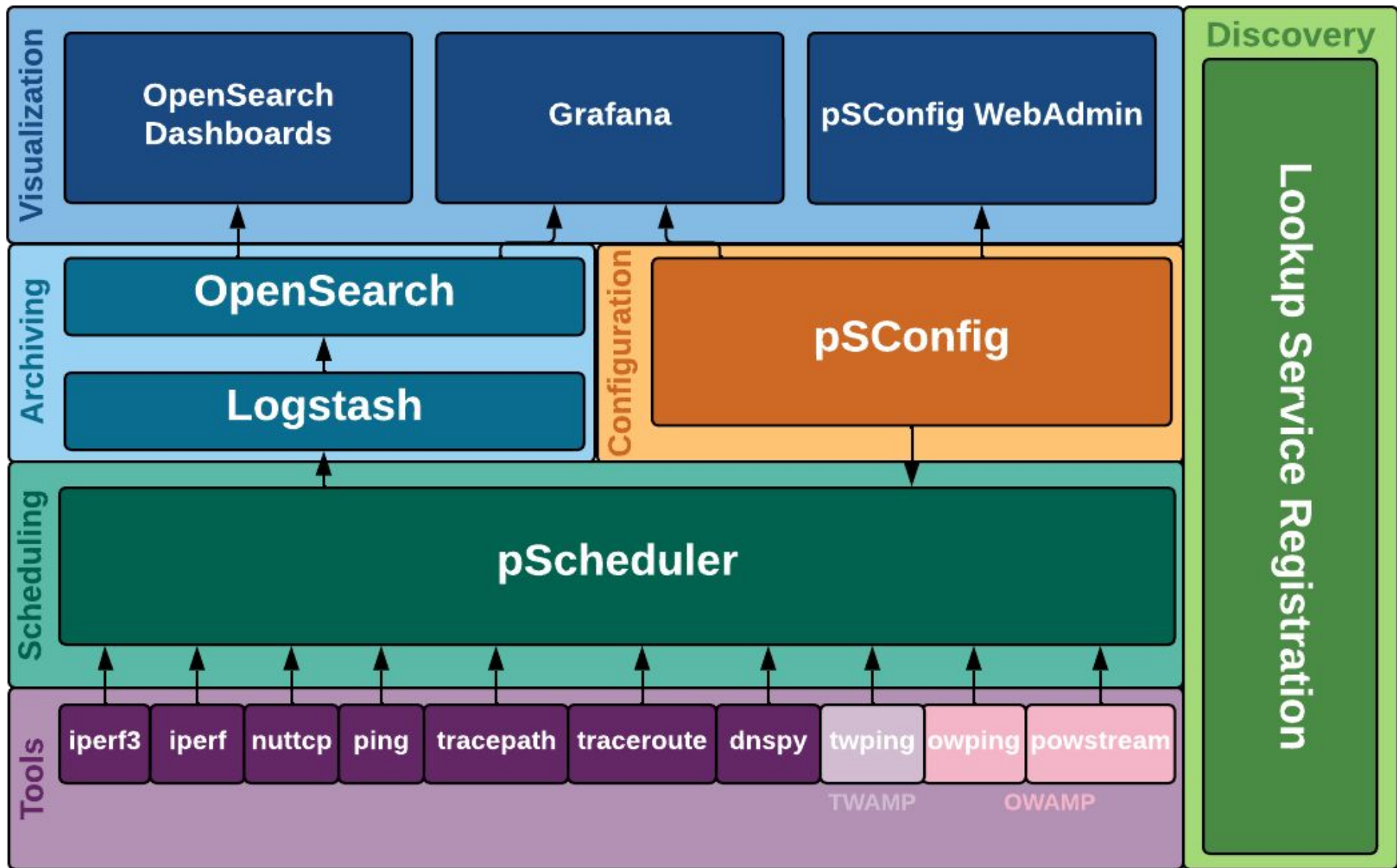
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How does perfSONAR work?

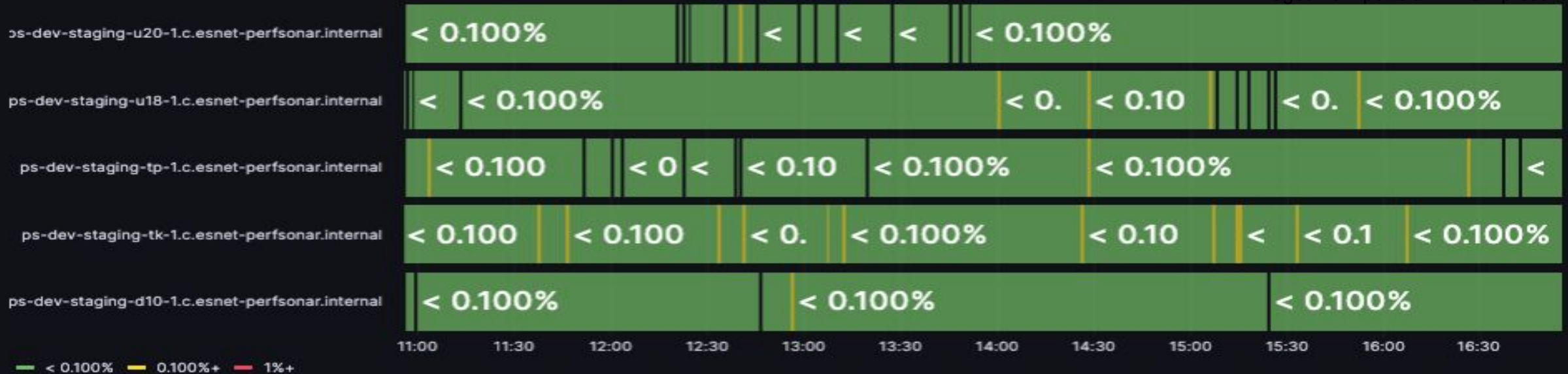


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Packet Loss Over Time by Sender

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Maximum Packet Loss

Highest Average Packet Loss by Sender

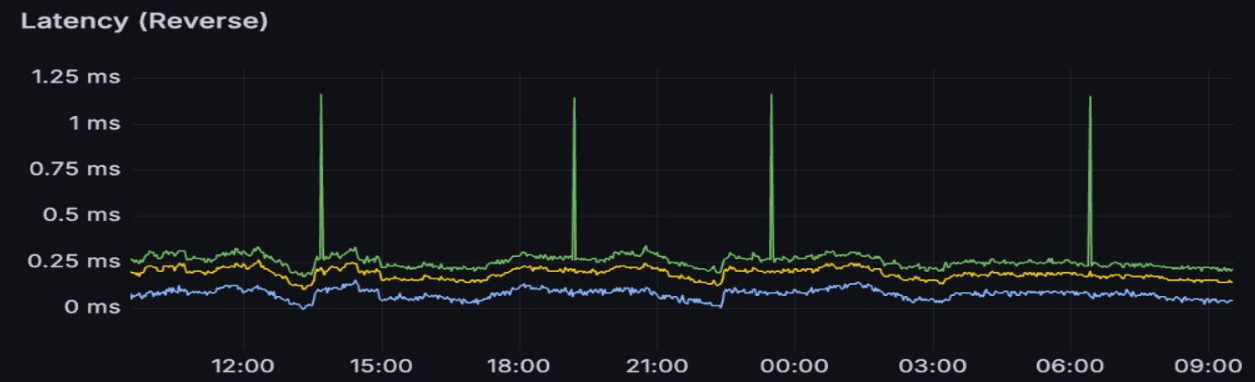
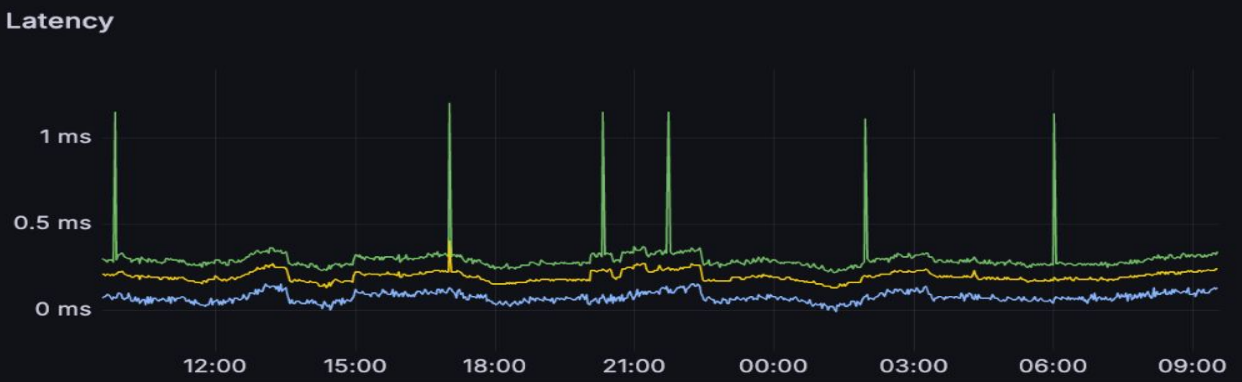
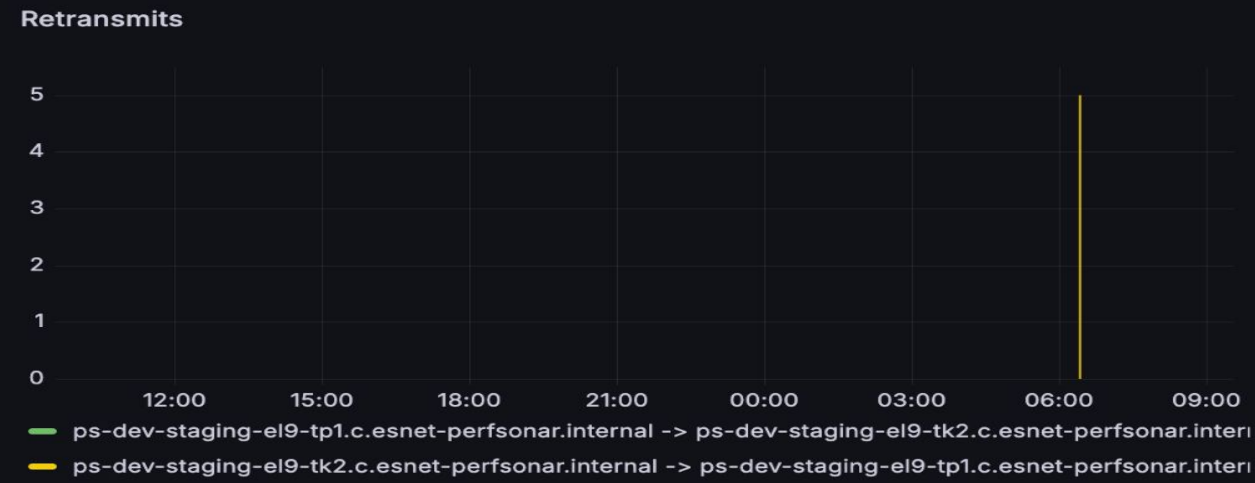
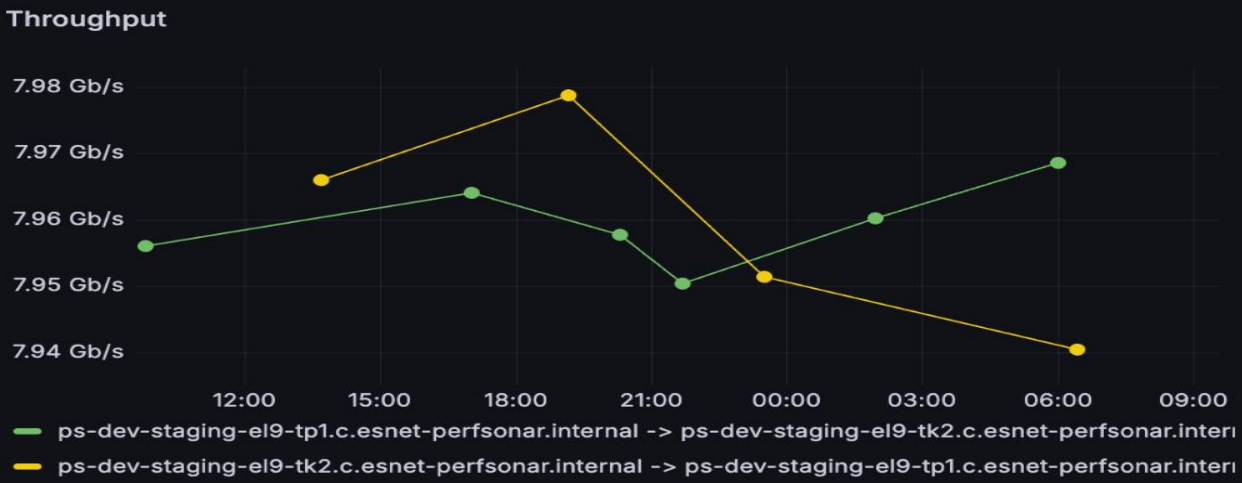
Highest Average Packet Loss by Receiver



Sender Host	Max Packet Loss
ps-dev-staging-tk-...	0.333%
ps-dev-staging-u1...	0.333%
ps-dev-staging-d1...	0.167%
ps-dev-staging-tp-...	0.167%
ps-dev-staging-u2...	0.167%

Receiver Host	Max Packet Loss
ps-dev-staging-tk-...	0.333%
ps-dev-staging-tp-...	0.333%
ps-dev-staging-u1...	0.167%
ps-dev-staging-u2...	0.167%
ps-dev-staging-d1...	0%

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Interfaces

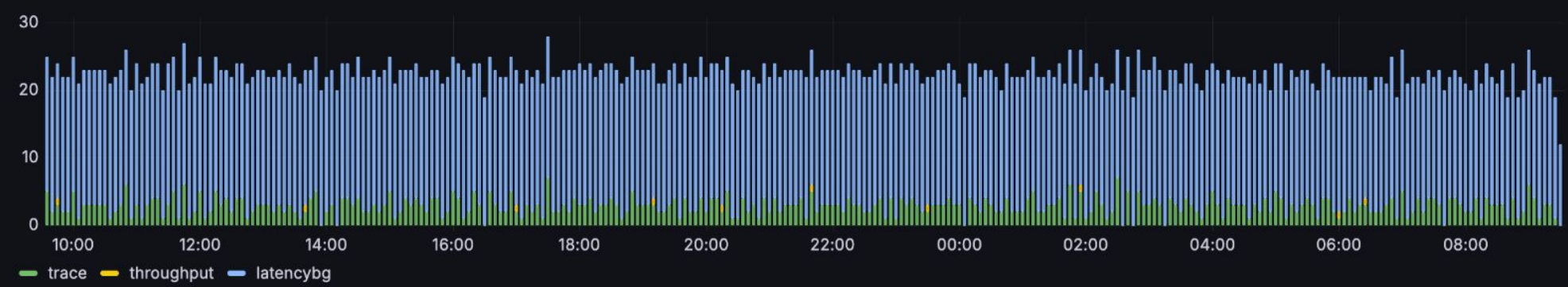
Interface	Speed	M
eth0	n/a	14€

Throughput (Max)
7.98 Gb/s

Packet Loss (Max)
100%

Jitter (Max)
2.75 ms

Number of Tests Run



Tests Configured by Type

Type	#
trace	6
throughput	2
latencybg	4

[Host Info](#)

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Test Result Summary

Source	Destination	IP Version	Packet Loss (Max)	Throughput (Min)	Latency (Min)	RTT (Min)
ps-dev-staging-...	ps-dev-staging-...	4	0%	7.95 Gb/s	-0.01000 ms	null
ps-dev-staging-...	ps-dev-staging-...	4	0%	7.94 Gb/s	-0.01000 ms	null
ps-dev-staging-...	ps-dev-staging-...	4	100%			null
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pSConfig Dashboards

- All perfSONAR Measurements [☆](#)
perfSONAR pSConfig
- GCP Tests [☆](#)
perfSONAR pSConfig



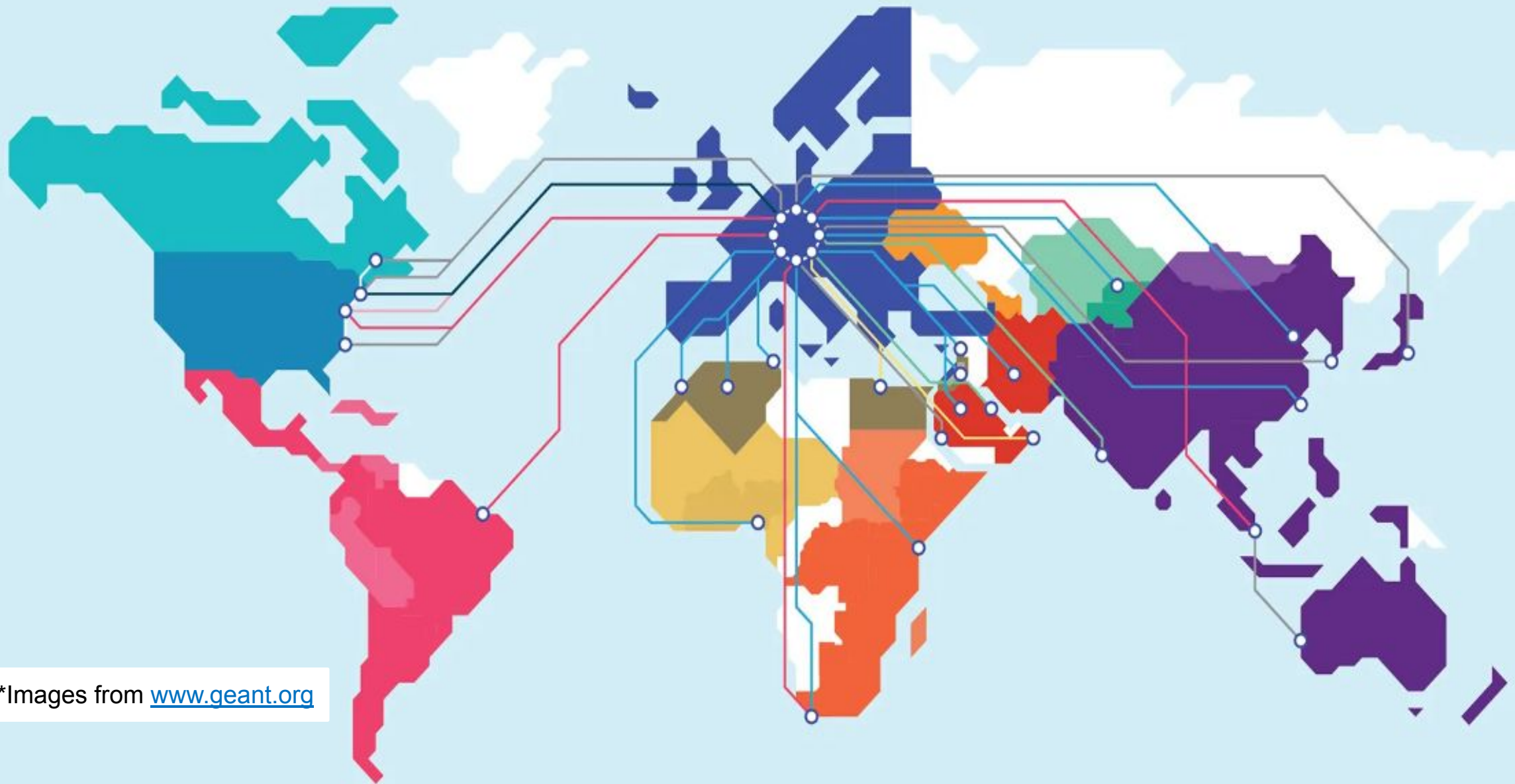
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 **Add a new node**

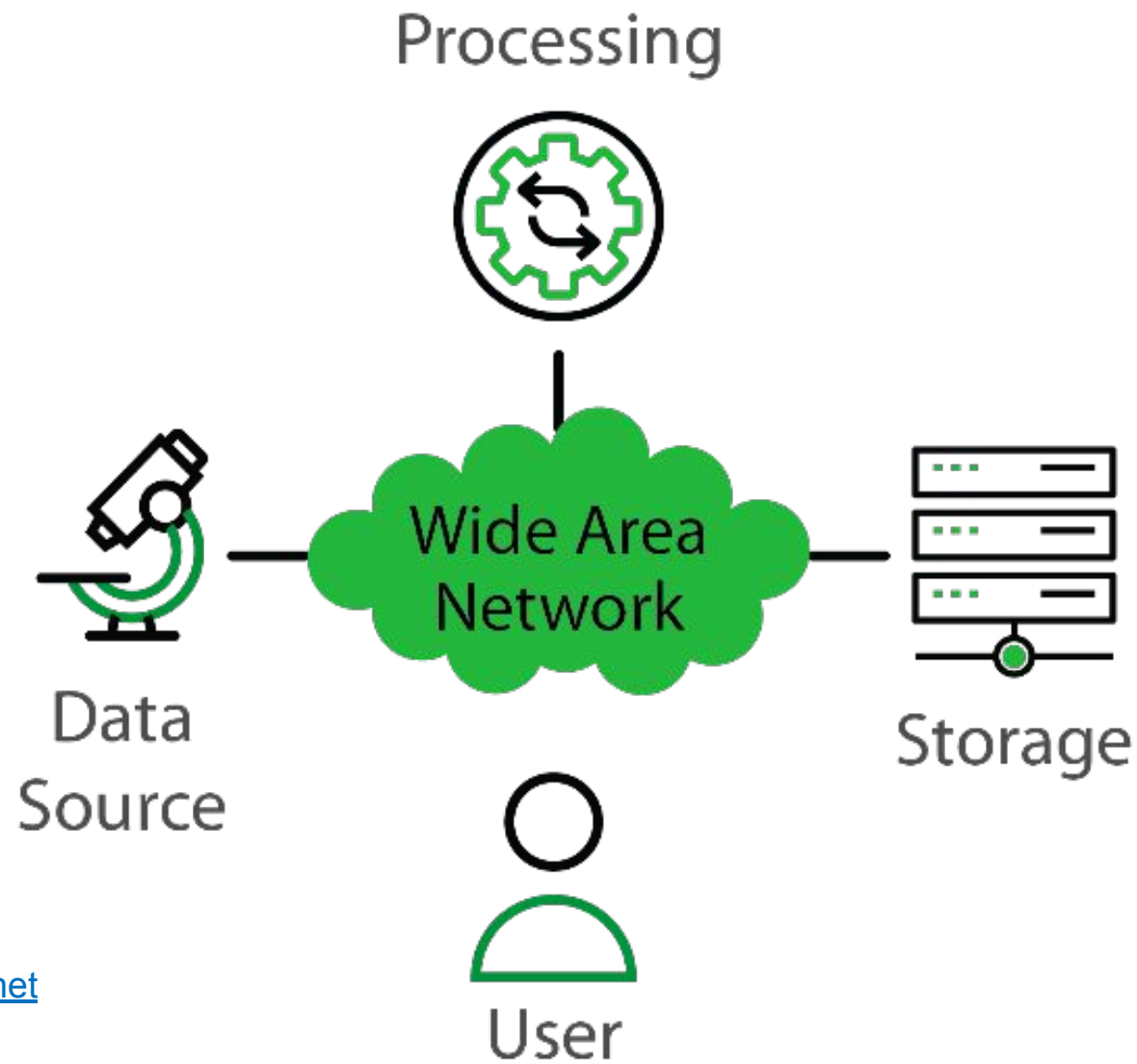


Why use perfSONAR?

The R&E Community

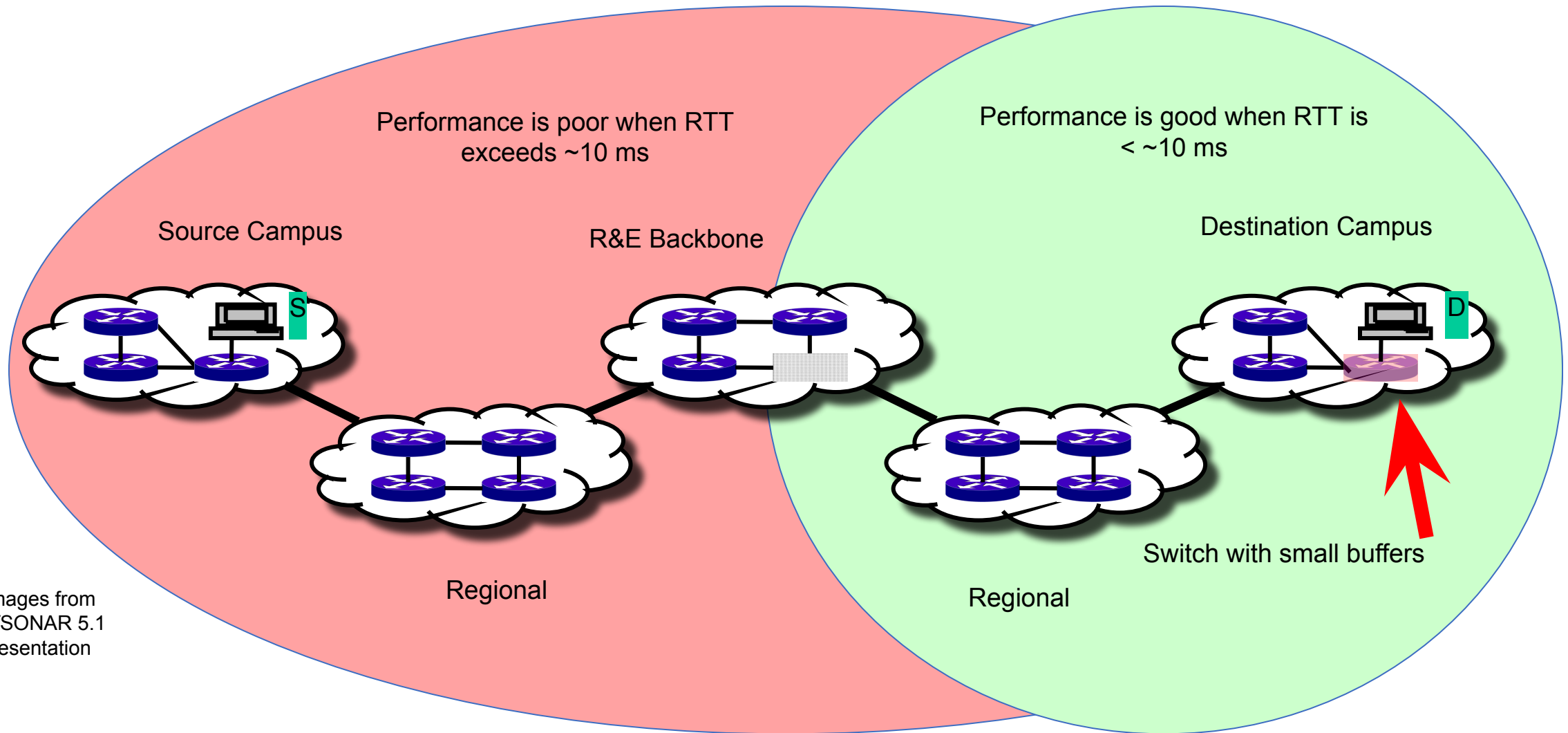


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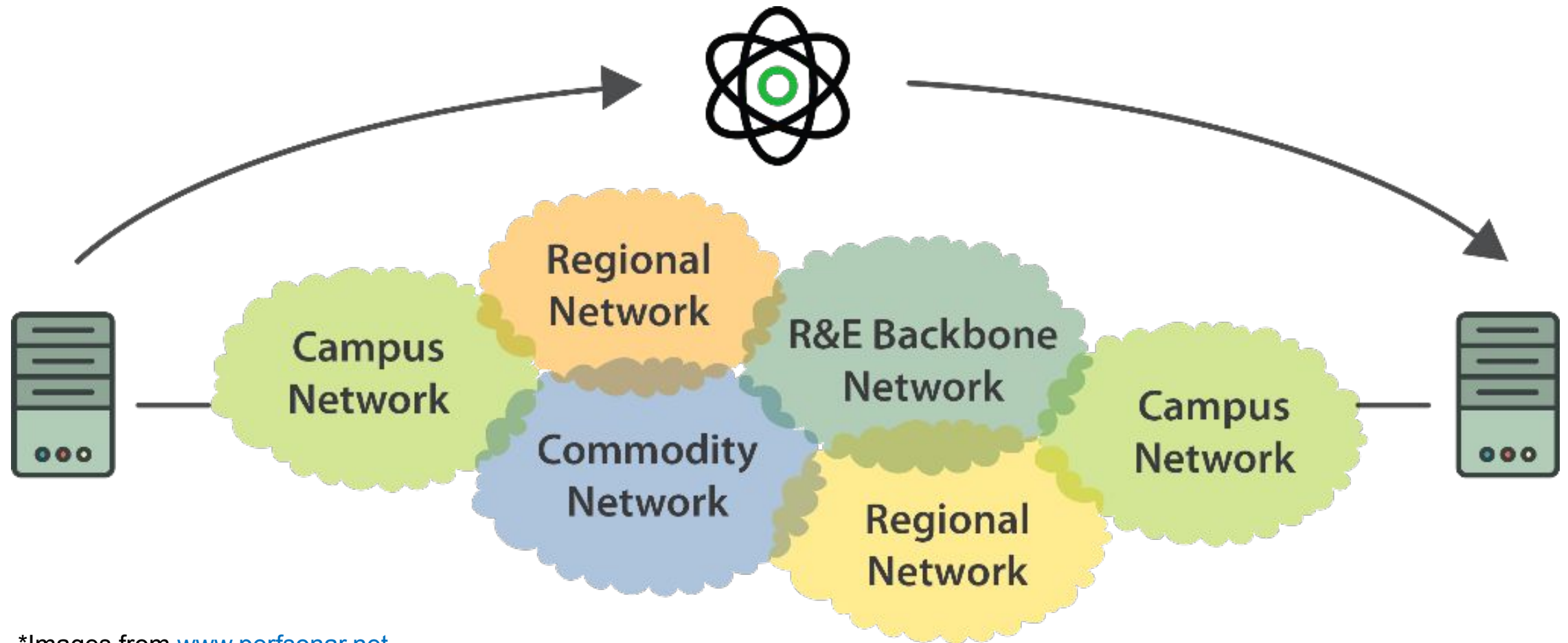


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Local Testing Will Not Find Everything



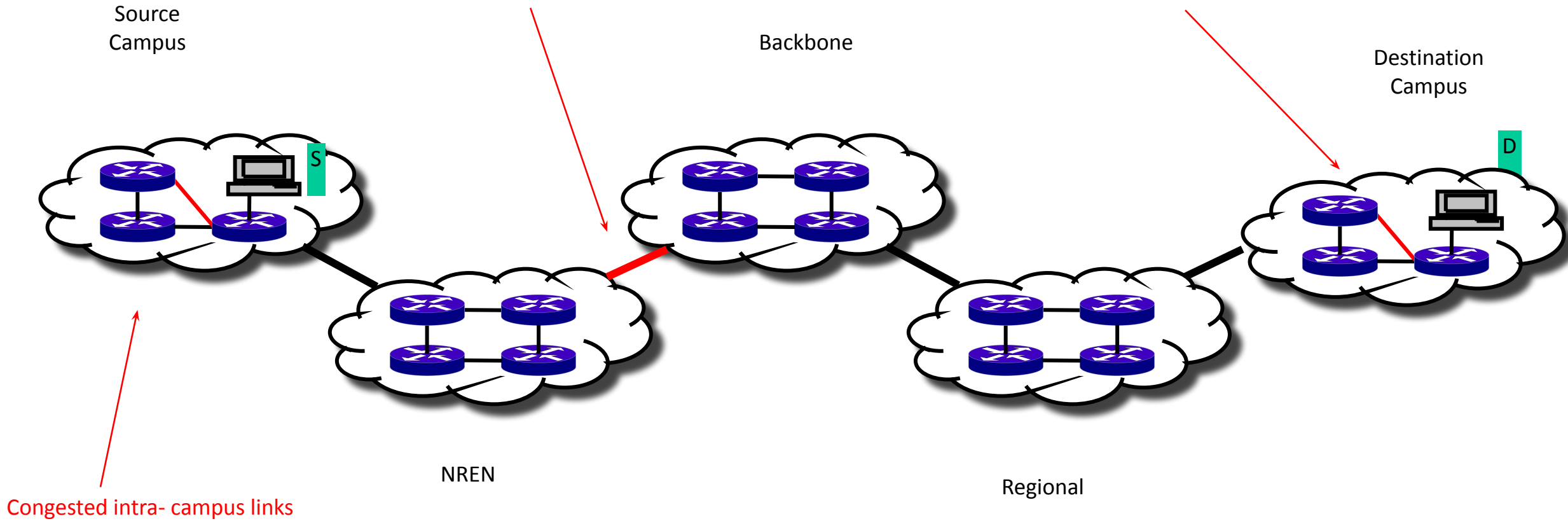
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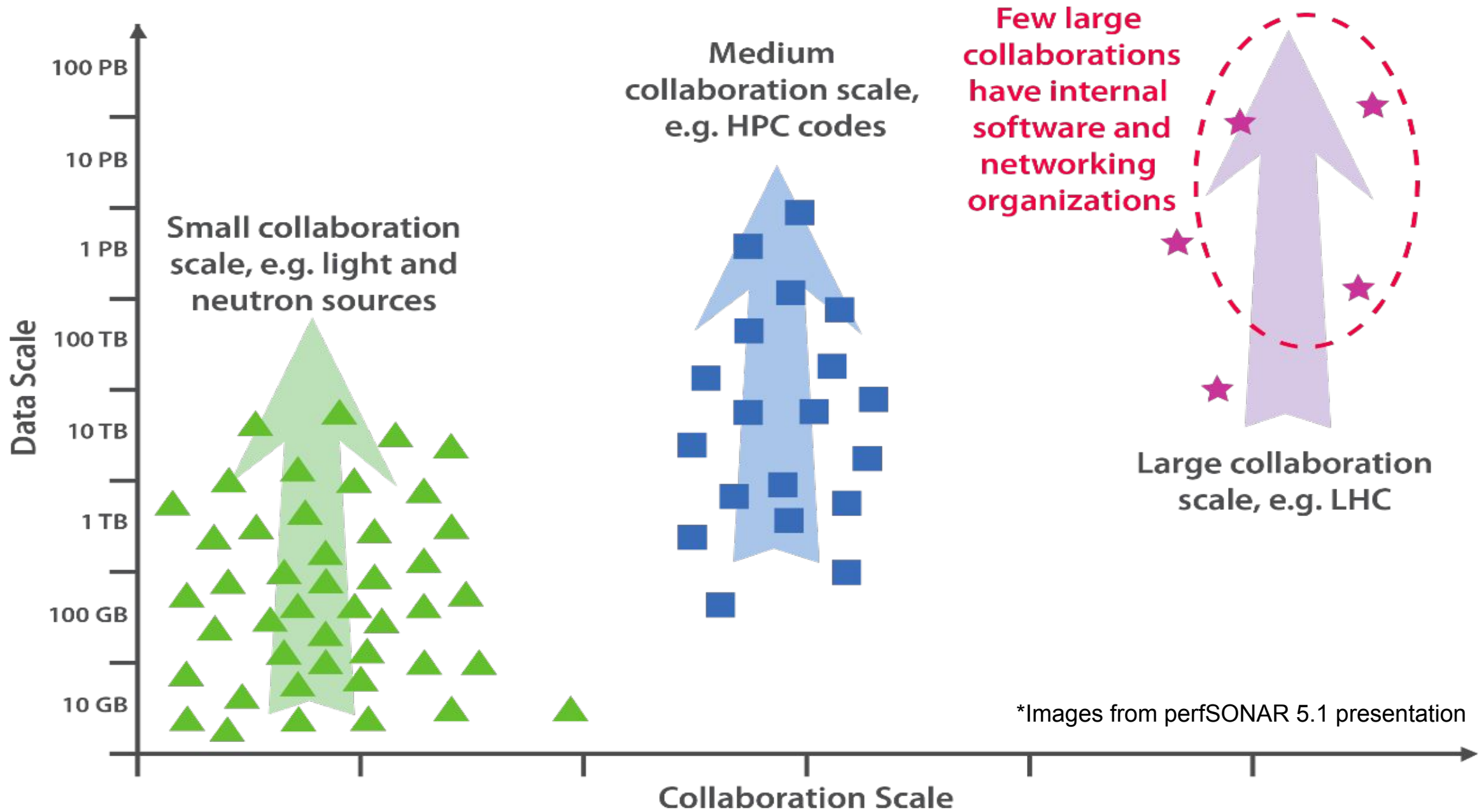
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Congested or faulty links between domains

Latency dependant problems inside domains with small RTT



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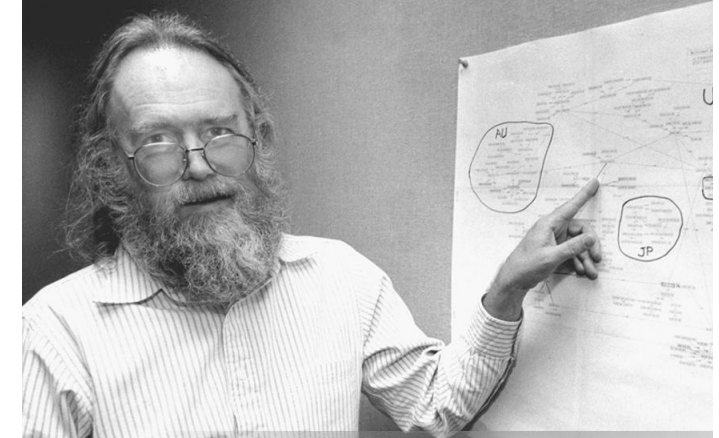


Let's Talk Performance ...

"In any large system, there is **always** something broken."
- *Jon Postel*

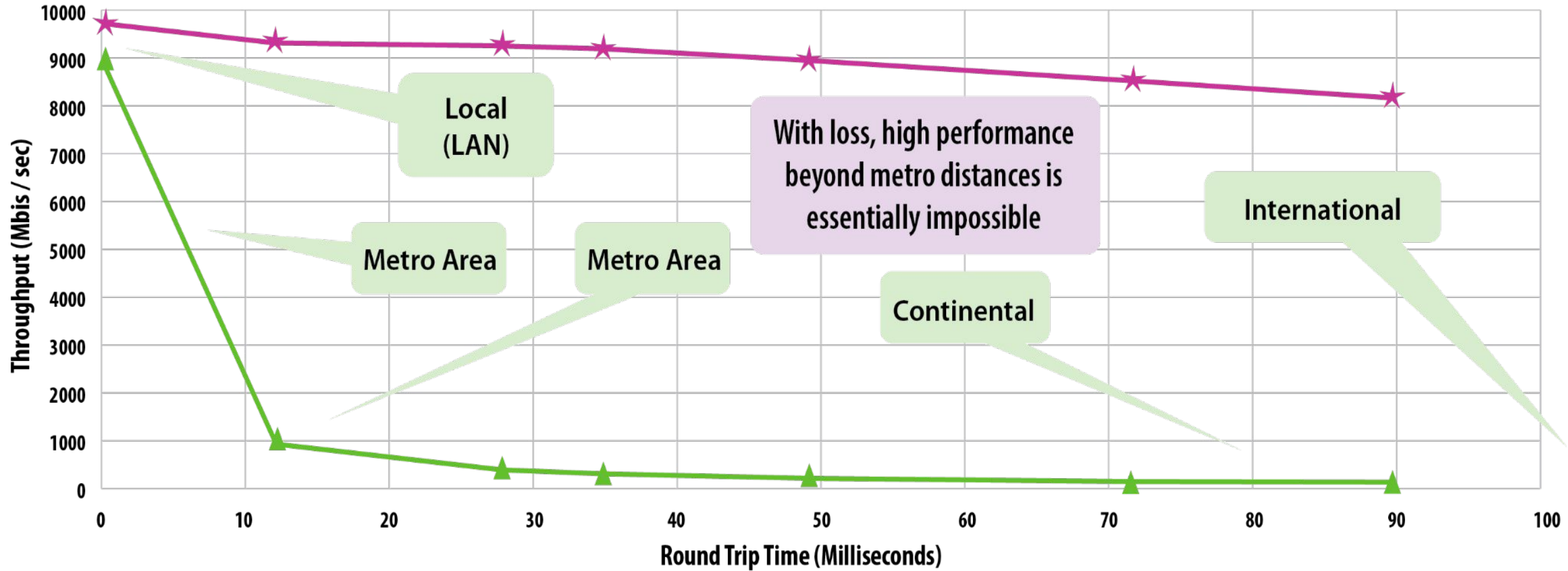
Modern networks are occasionally designed to be *one-size-fits-most*

- It's mostly all TCP
- TCP suffers the most from unpredictability; packet loss/delays are the enemy
- It all starts with knowing your users, and knowing your network



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Throughput vs. Increasing Latency with .0046% Packet Loss



Loss of 1 packet per 20.000

No Loss

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And ... It's Not Just the Network

Perhaps you are saying to yourself
“I have no control over parts of my
campus, let alone the 5 networks
that sit between me and my
collaborators”

Things “you” control

Things that need some help



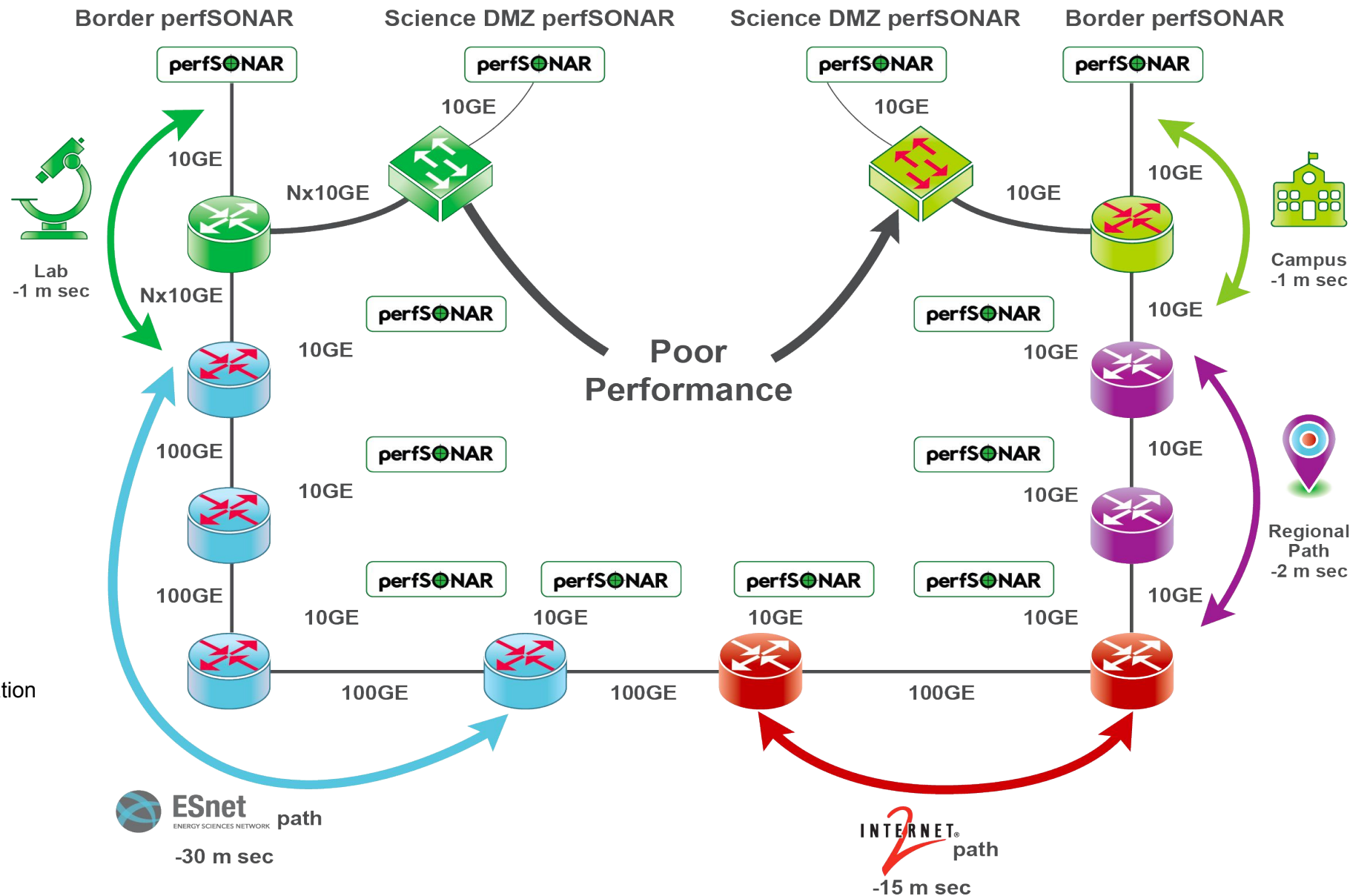
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You can't fix
what you
can't find

You can't find
what you
can't see

perfSONAR
let you see

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Simulating Performance

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Network performance comes down to a few key metrics:

- Throughput
- Latency
- Packet loss/duplication/ordering
- Network utilisation

We can get many of these from a selection of active and passive measurement tools – enter the perfSONAR Toolkit



Where can I learn more about perfSONAR?

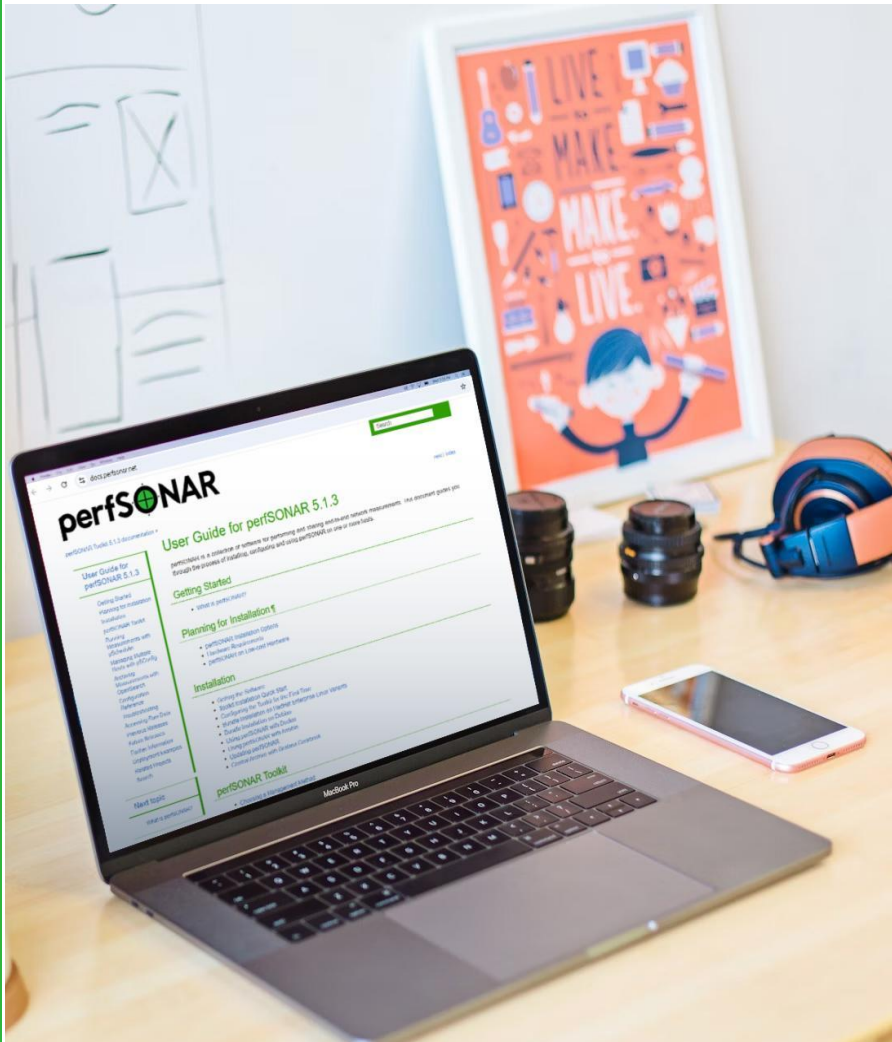
perfSONAR Community

- The perfSONAR collaboration is working to build a strong user community to support the use and development of the software.
- perfSONAR Mailing Lists
 - Announcement List: <https://lists.internet2.edu/sympa/subscribe/perfsonar-announce>
 - Users List: <https://lists.internet2.edu/sympa/subscribe/perfsonar-user>
 - GÉANT Consultancy & Expertise: perfSONAR@lists.geant.org

Resources

- perfSONAR Website <http://www.perfsonar.net/>
- perfSONAR Documentation <http://docs.perfsonar.net/>
- Lookup Service Dashboard <https://stats.perfsonar.net/>
- YouTube Channel
<https://www.youtube.com/perfSONARProject>
- FasterData Knowledge Base <http://fasterdata.es.net/>

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Summary



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- End-to-End Performance Monitoring
- Multi-Domain Capabilities
- Open Standards & Interoperability
- Scalable & Modular Architecture
- Community & Support
- Proactive Issue Detection

When should I start using perfSONAR?

perfSONAR Installation & Basic Configuration– section 2

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