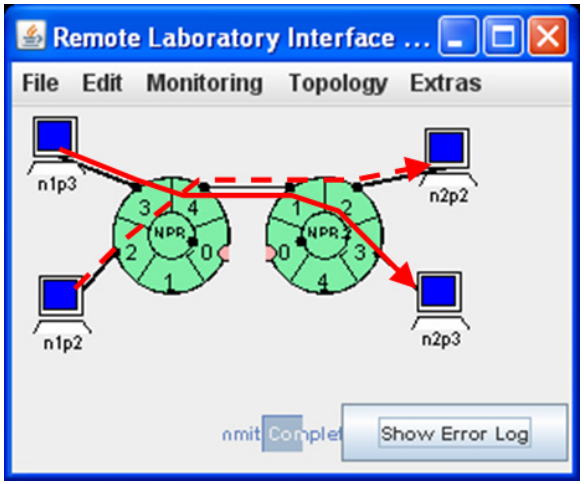
Open Network Laboratory



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Overview

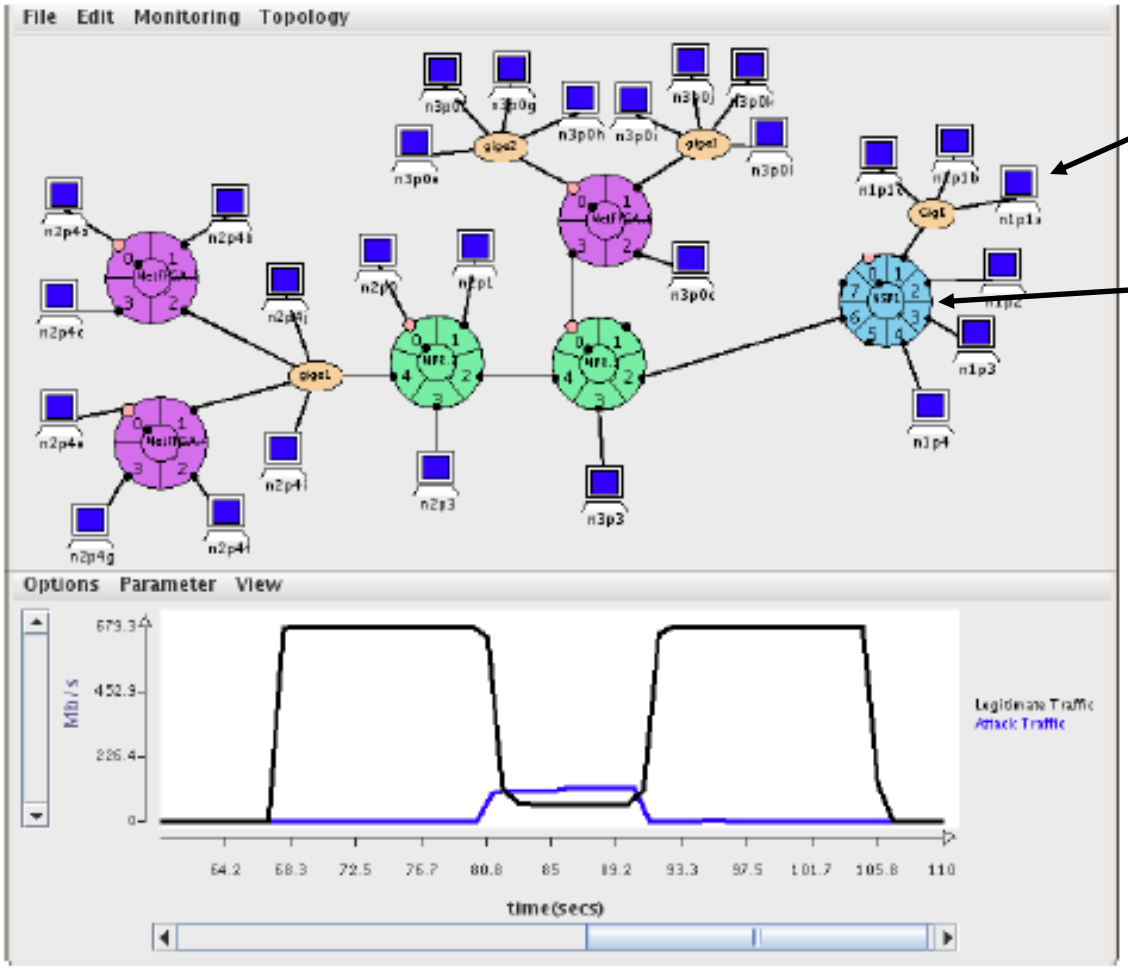
1. Open Network Laboratory (ONL)
2. Remote Laboratory Interface
3. Running ONL experiment
4. SSH Tunnel Configuration
5. Lab assignments

Note: These slides are based mostly on presentations available at ONL website.

Open Network Laboratory (ONL)

- Developed by Prof. Jon Turner and his team at WUSTL
- Allows students to set up networking configurations consisting of routers and hosts and experiment with them
- Allows real-time visualization of various queues and traffic flows
- Allows running programs on the hosts and filters on programmable routers
- Also useful for research on networking protocols and applications requiring multiple hosts
- All of the resources are available remotely for use by anyone. Any one can register and use.
- Ref: http://onl.wustl.edu

Sample Configuration

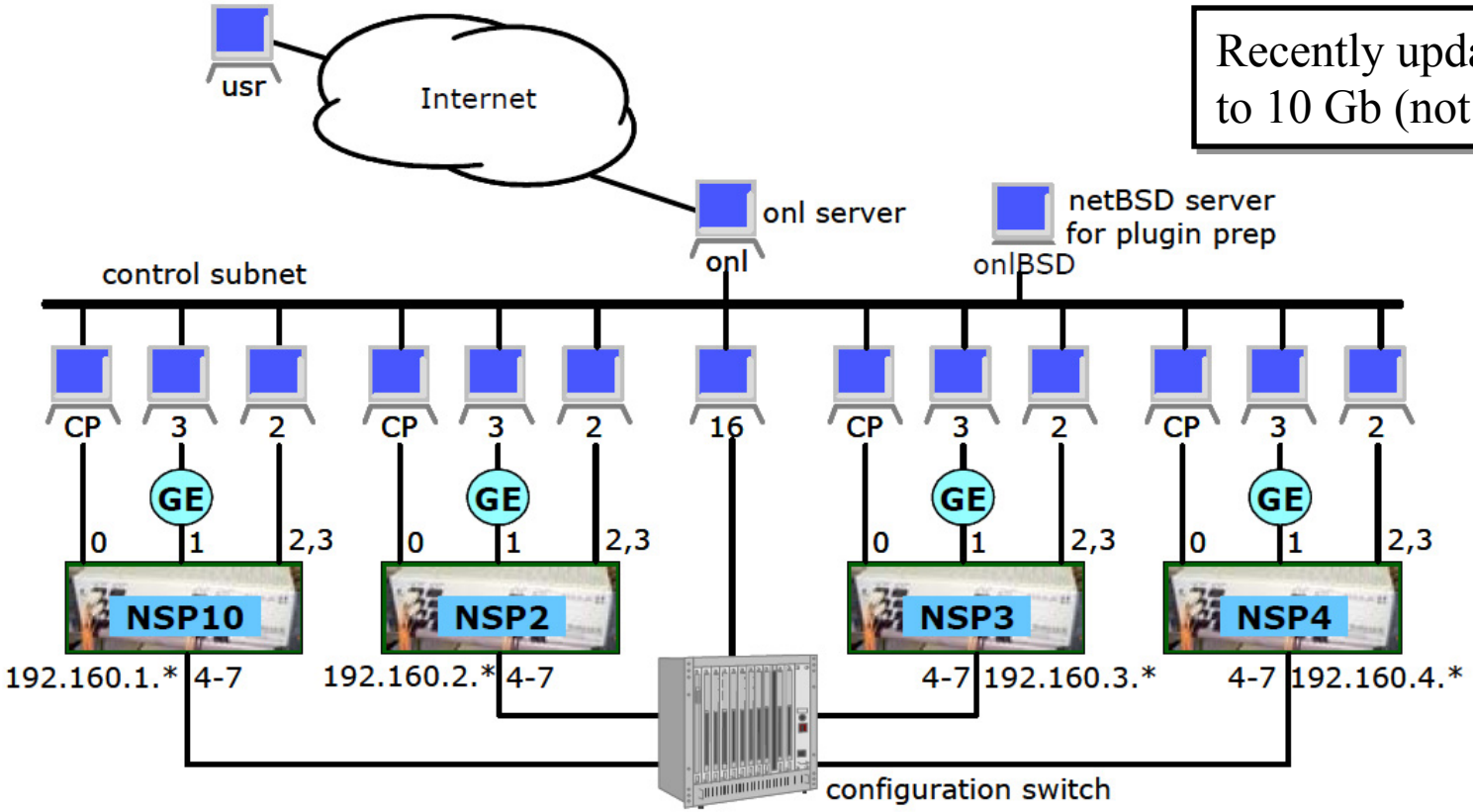


Hosts

Routers

Traffic monitoring

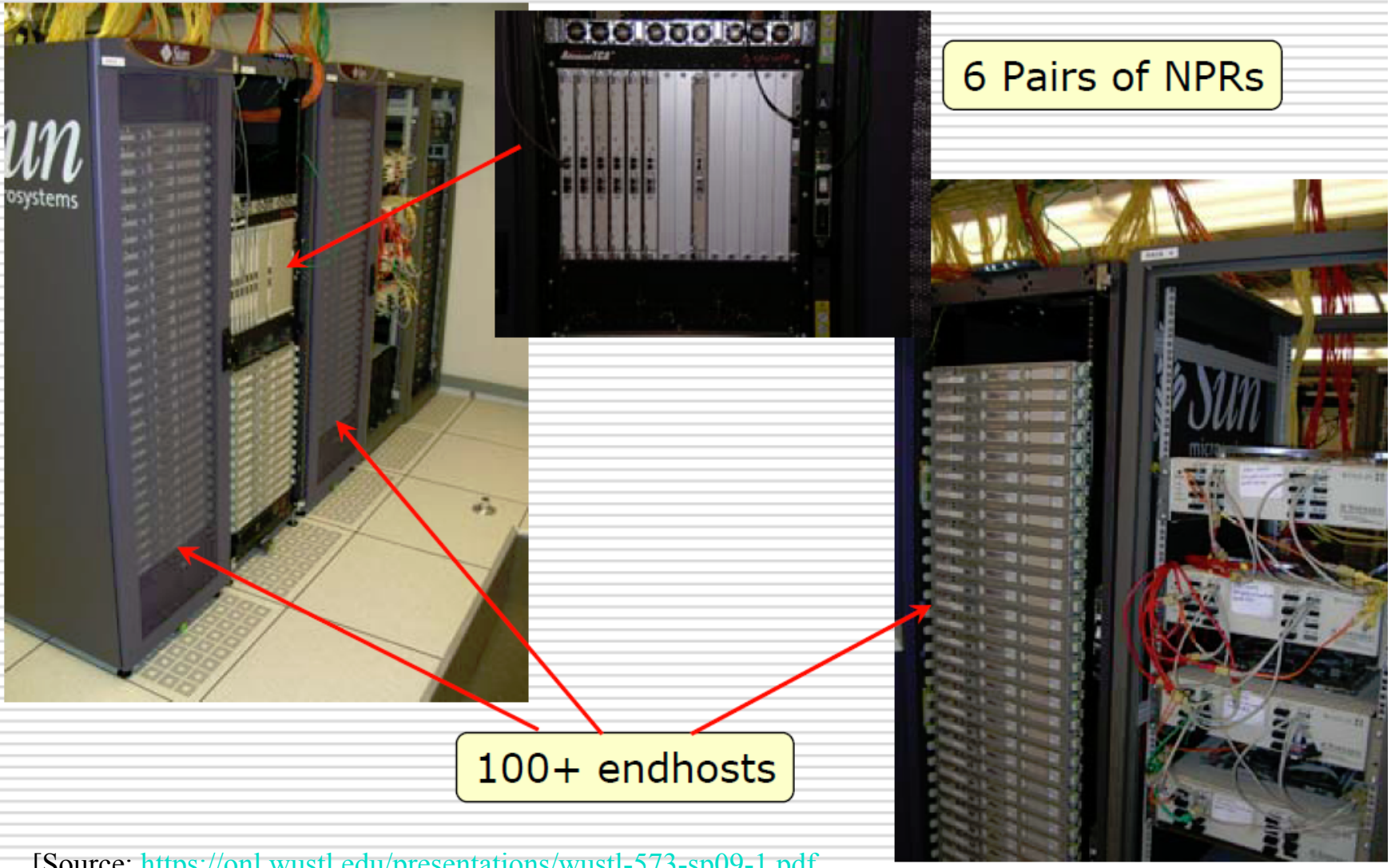
Physical ONL Hardware



Recently updated to 10 Gb (not shown)

- NSP = Network Service Platform (Router)
- CP = NSP Control Processor
- GE = Gigabit Ethernet Switch
- 100+ hosts
- Configuration Switch connects any router port to another router or host

Physical ONL Hardware (Cont)



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Using ONL – 7 Steps

1. Read ONL tutorial
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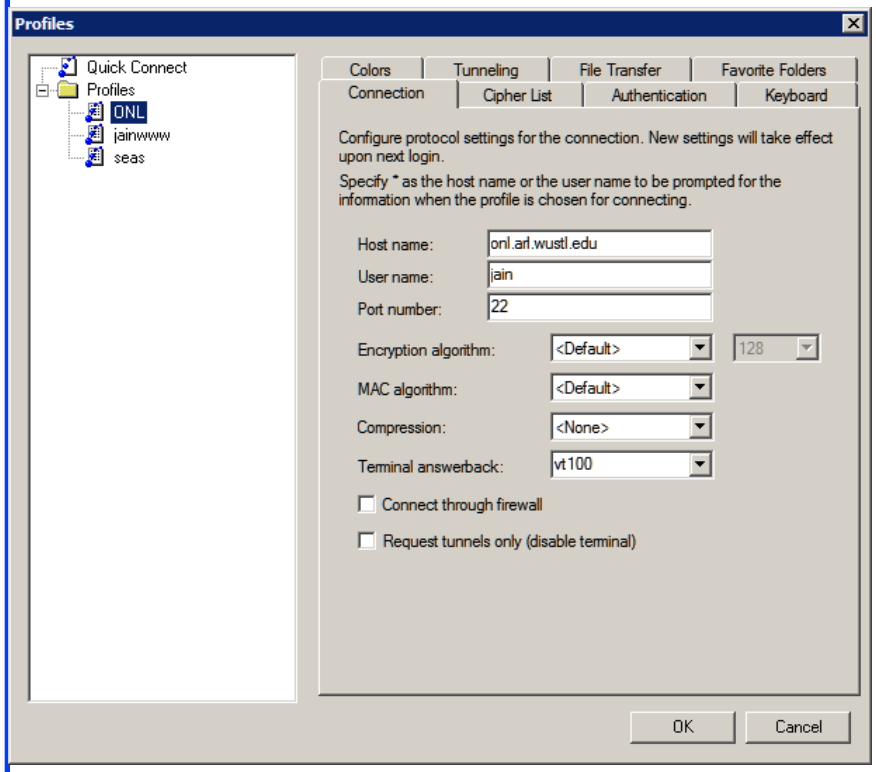
   2. Remote Laboratory Interface, http://wiki.arl.wustl.edu/onl/index.php/Remote_Laboratory_Interface_%28RLI%29
   3. Getting started, https://onl.wustl.edu/restricted/getting-started.html
2. SSH (on MACs and Linux) or Windows Putty, http://www.chiark.greenend.org.uk/~sgtatham/putty/download.html
3. Install Java Runtime Environment (JRE) V1.6 or higher, Check "java –version", if necessary download from http://java.com/en/download/manual.jsp
4. Download RLI.Jar, https://onl.wustl.edu/restricted/export/RLI.jar
5. SSH to onl.wustl.edu
6. Run RLI, Prepare your configuration
7. Reserve time, Commit and Run.
   Commit again after any topology modification.

SSH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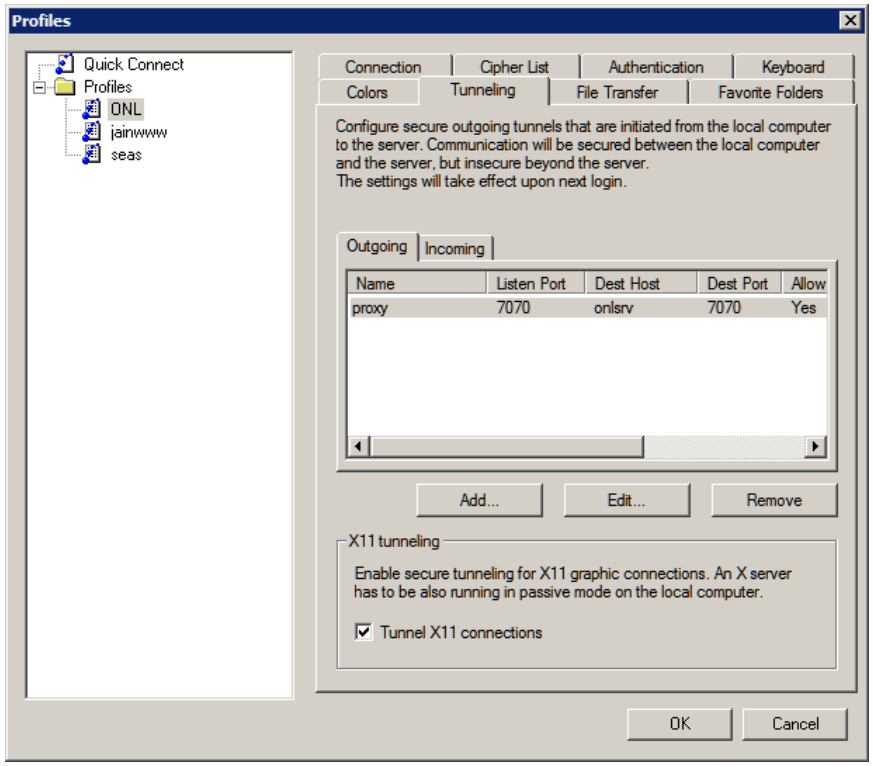
Configure protocol settings for the connection. New settings will take effect upon next login.
Specify * as the host name or the user name to be prompted for the information when the profile is chosen for connecting.
Host name:
onl.arl.wustl.edu
User name:
jain
Port number:
22
Encryption algorithm:
<Default>
128
MAC algorithm:
<Default>
Compression:
<None>
Terminal answerback:
vt100
Connect through firewall
Request tunnels only (disable terminal)
OK
Cancel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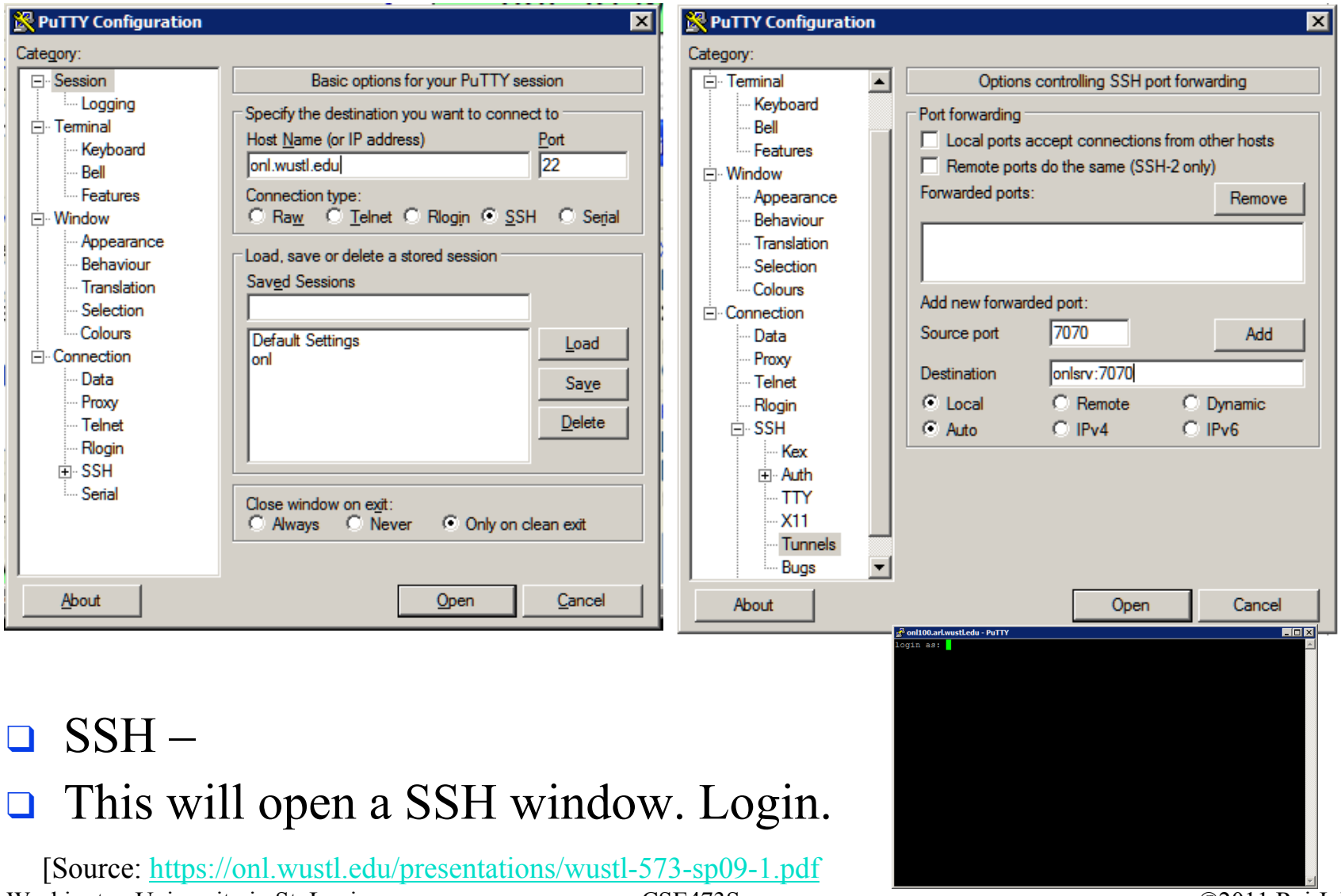
Configure secure outgoing tunnels that are initiated from the local computer to the server. Communication will be secured between the local computer and the server, but insecure beyond the server.
The settings will take effect upon next login.
Outgoing
Incoming
Name
Listen Port
Dest Host
Dest Port
Allow
proxy
7070
onlsrv
7070
Yes
Add...
Edit...
Remove
X11 tunneling
Enable secure tunneling for X11 graphic connections. An X server has to be also running in passive mode on the local computer.
Tunnel X11 connections
OK
Cancel

Putty



- SSH –
- This will open a SSH window. Login.

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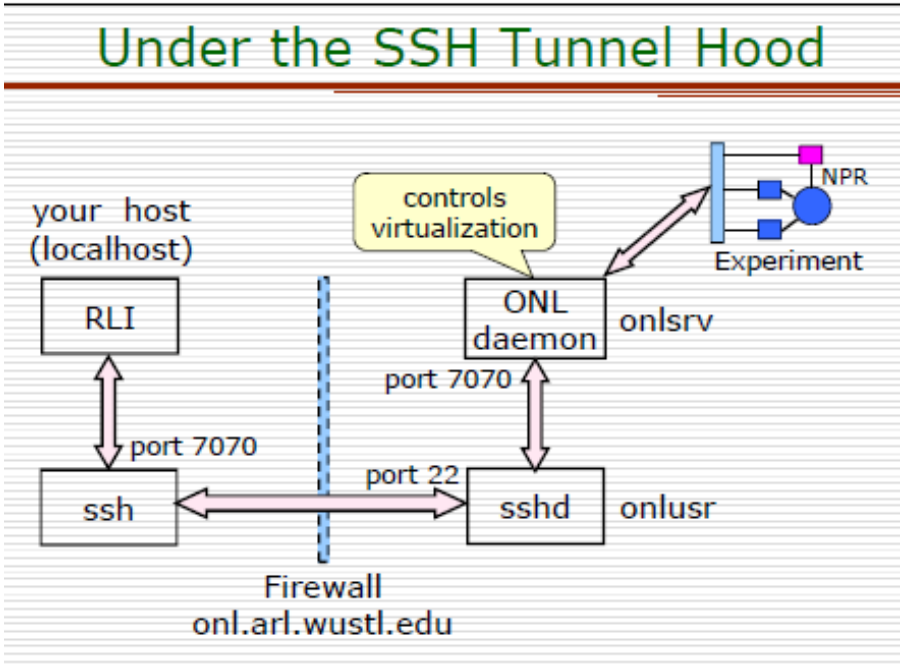
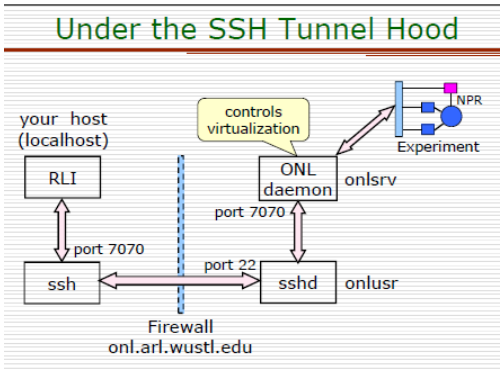
SSH Tunnel Configuration

- Build before each experimental session
- Allows your RLI to communicate with ONL daemon
- Needed to make reservation and commit
- SSH tunneling



  Unix command line
  - ssh -L 7070:onlsrv:7070 username@onl.arl.wustl.edu
  - Windows PuTTy
  - Windows SSH client

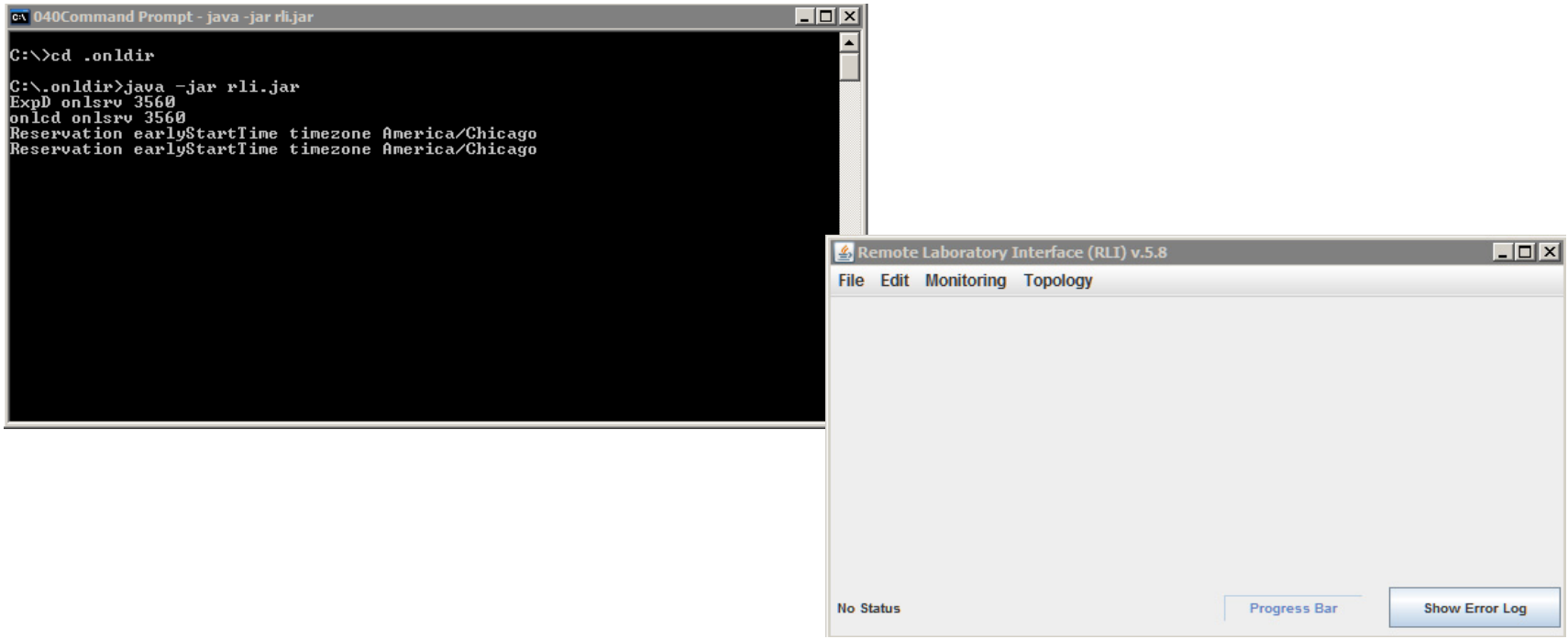
ONL SSH Restrictions



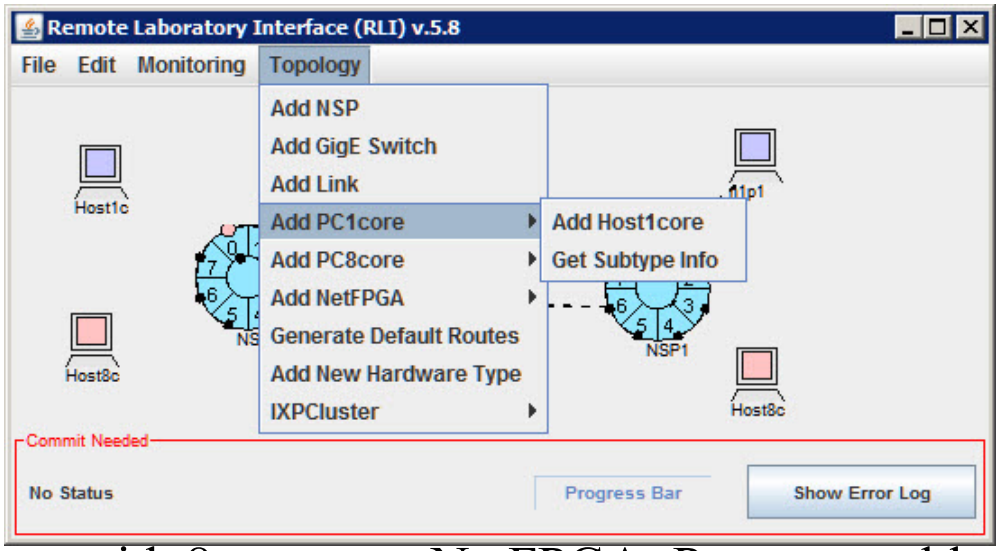
- You can login into ONL hosts in your configuration
- Same password for ONL host login and Web login
- You can SSH from one ONL host to another
  Password-free SSH between ONL hosts
- You can only access ONL hosts assigned to your experiment
- From your PC, you can only SSH to onl.wustl.edu
  Gets connected to onlusr – the ONL user host
- Firewall blocks all connections from within ONL to outside
- You can pull (save) from ONL host to your PC
  You can not save in ONL host from your PC
- You can push (open) to ONL host from your PC
  You can not open a ONL host file from your PC

Remote Laboratory Interface

- Using a Java **RLI** you can configure and run experiments from your computer using a **SSH tunnel**
- On your computer (not SSH window)
  - cd c:\.onldir
  - java –jar rli.jar



RLI (Cont)



- NSP: IPv4 Router with 8 ×1GbE
- GigE Switch: 1GbE and 10GbE
- Link
- PC1Core: Single core PC with 1 GbE
- PC8Core: 8-core PC with 10GbE
- NetFPGA: Programmable FPGA
- Generate Default Routes
- New Hardware type
- IXPCluster: Intel Network Processor (IXP 2800) based programmable routers

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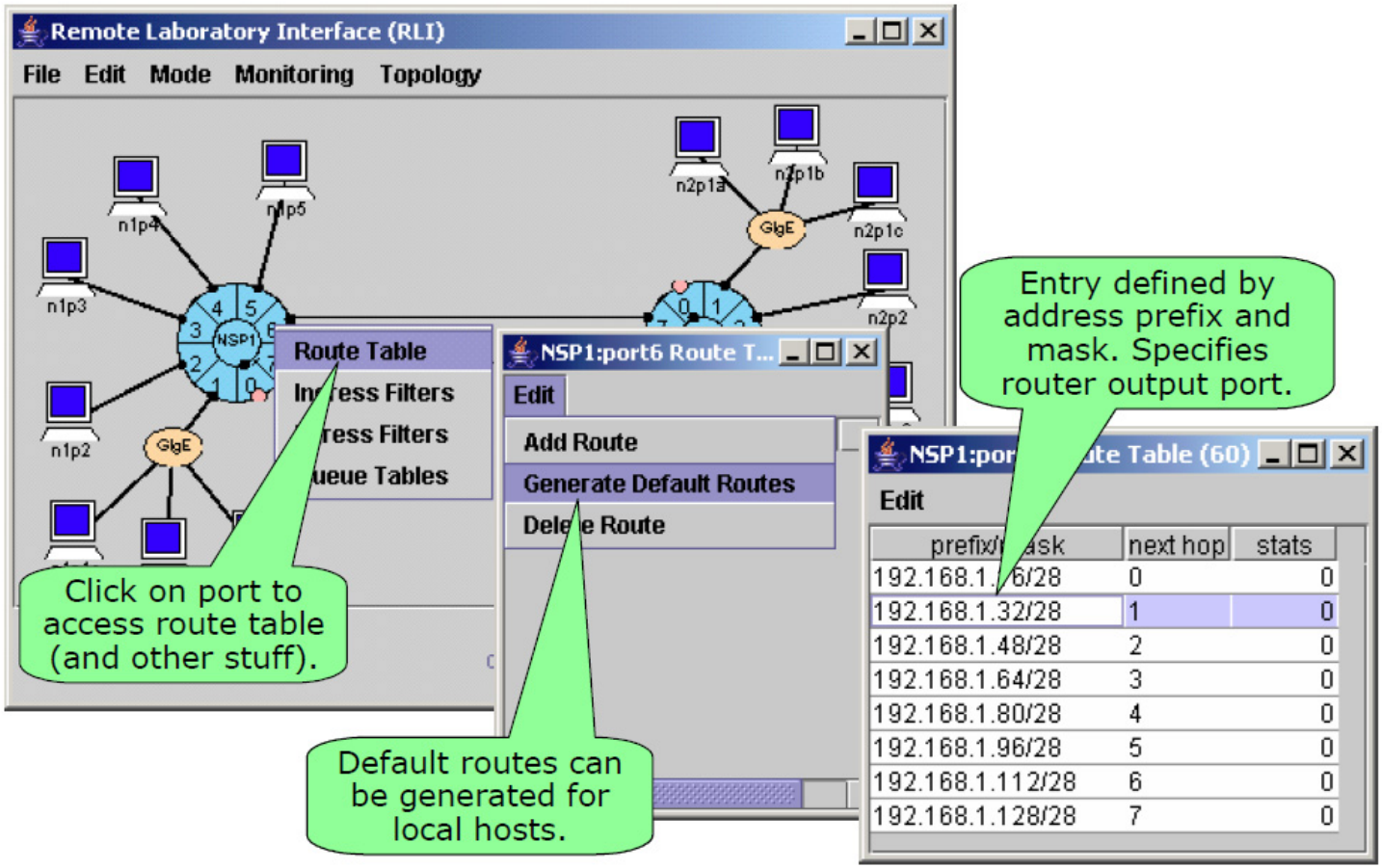
Remote Laboratory Interface (RLI)
File Edit Mode Monitoring Topology
n1p4
n1p5
n1p3
n1p2
GigE
NSP1
n2p1a
n2p1b
GigE
n2p1c
n2p2
Route Table
Ingress Filters
Egress Filters
Queue Tables
NSP1:port6 Route T...
Edit
Add Route
Generate Default Routes
Delete Route
NSP1:port6 Route Table (60)
Edit
prefix/mask
next hop
stats
192.168.1.0/28 0 0
192.168.1.32/28 1 0
192.168.1.48/28 2 0
192.168.1.64/28 3 0
192.168.1.80/28 4 0
192.168.1.96/28 5 0
192.168.1.112/28 6 0
192.168.1.128/28 7 0
Entry defined by address prefix and mask. Specifies router output port.
Click on port to access route table (and other stuff).
Default routes can be generated for local hosts.

RLI (Cont)

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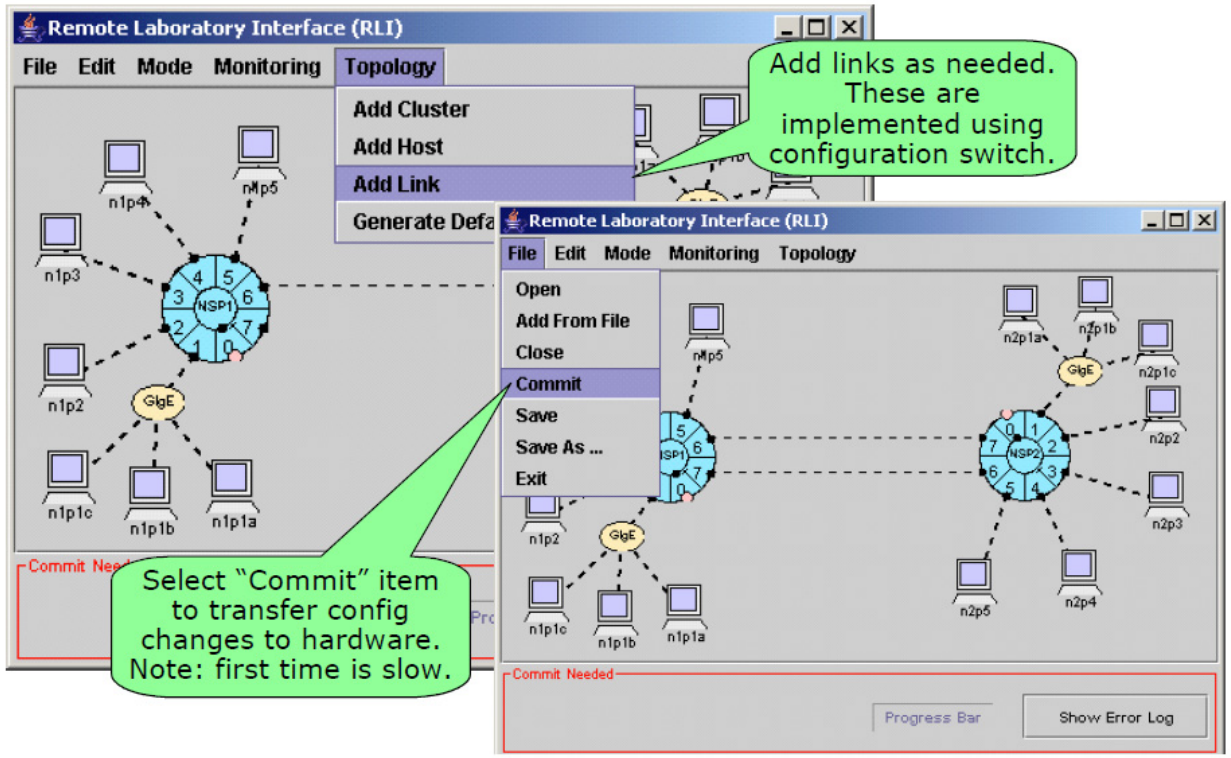
  Only one experiment at a time ⇒Need to **reserve**
- No reservation required for designing the experiment (setting the configuration etc)



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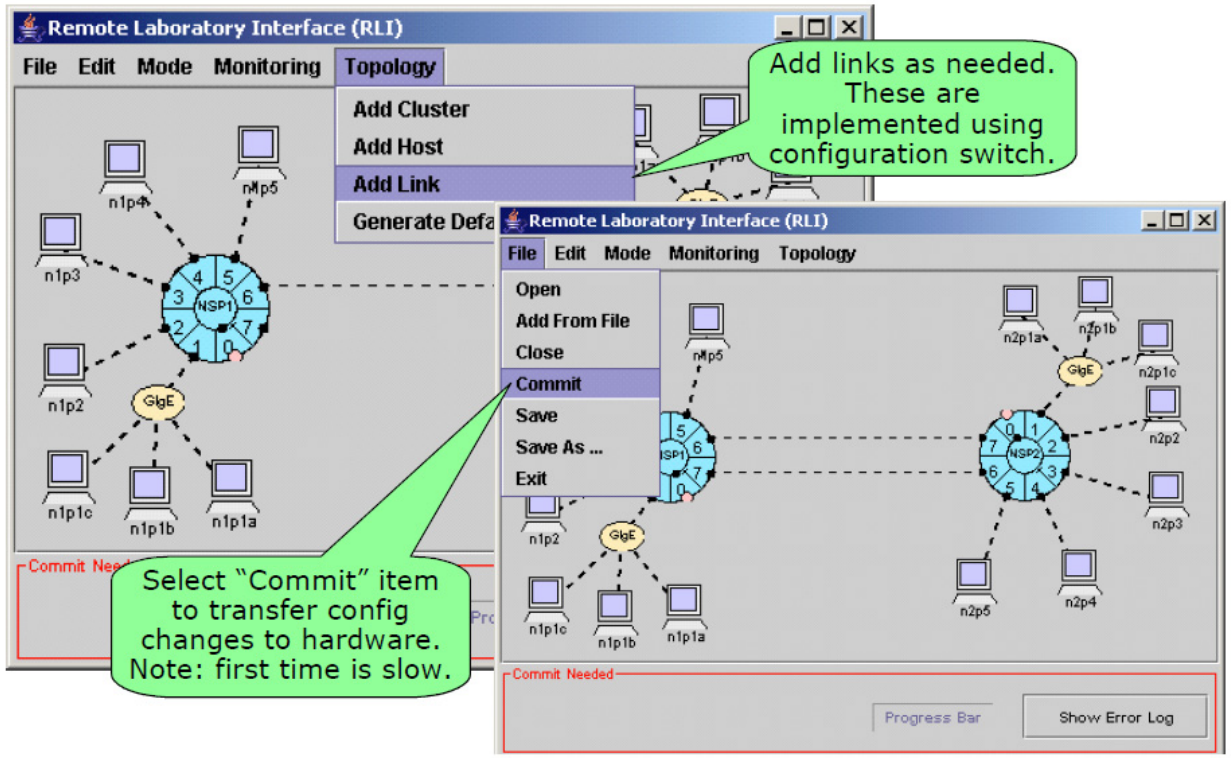

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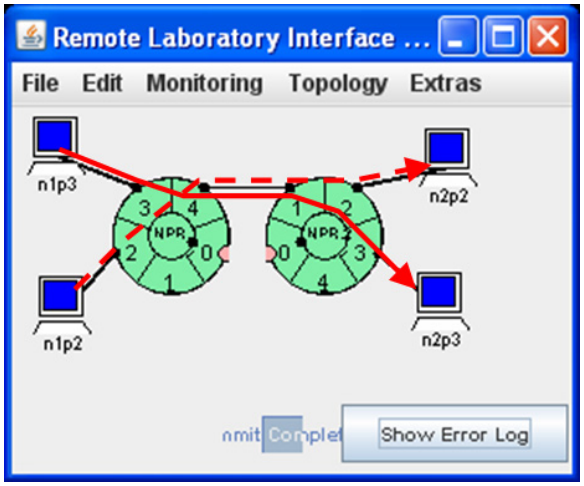
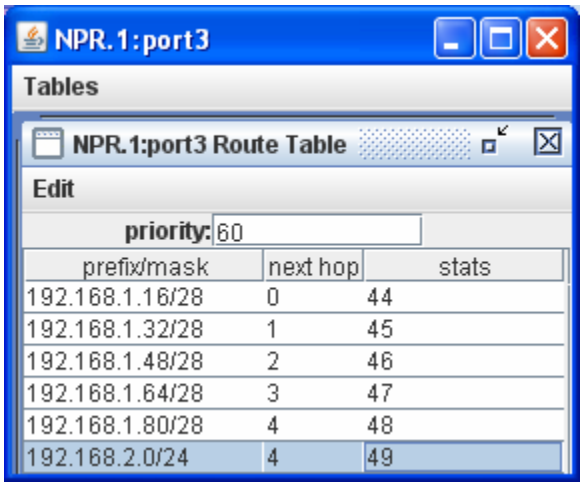
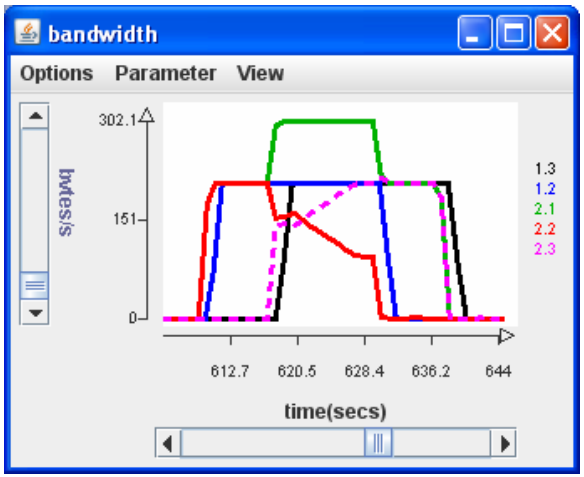


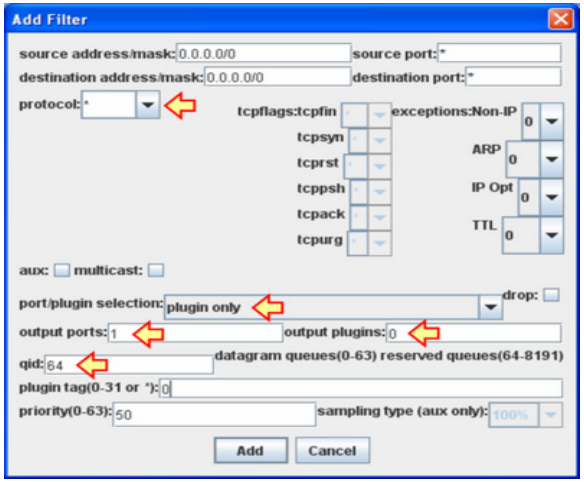
Configure network topology



Routing and forwarding



Real-time charts



Adding filters

iPerf

- A tool to send UDP or TCP traffic between two nodes
- Versions:
  - iPerf v3: http://code.google.com/p/iperf/downloads/list
  - iPerf v2: http://sourceforge.net/projects/iperf/?abmode=1
  - iPerf v1: https://publishing.ucf.edu/sites/itr/cst/Pages/IPerf.aspx (windows binary executable)

Ref: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Iperf, http://linhost.info/2010/02/iperf-on-windows/

iPerf (cont)

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E:\m>iperf -h
Usage: iperf [-s|-c host] [options]
       iperf [-h|--help] [-v|--version]

Client/Server:
  -f, --format    [kmKM]   format to report: Kbits, Mbits, KBytes, MBytes
  -i, --interval  #        seconds between periodic bandwidth reports
  -l, --len       #[KM]    length of buffer to read or write (default 8 KB)
  -m, --print_mss          print TCP maximum segment size (MTU - TCP/IP header)
  -o, --output    <filename> output the report or error message to this specifie
d file
  -p, --port      #        server port to listen on/connect to
  -u, --udp                use UDP rather than TCP
  -w, --window    #[KM]    TCP window size (socket buffer size)
  -B, --bind      <host>   bind to <host>, an interface or multicast address
  -C, --compatibility      for use with older versions does not sent extra msgs
  -M, --mss       #        set TCP maximum segment size (MTU - 40 bytes)
  -N, --nodelay            set TCP no delay, disabling Nagle's Algorithm
  -V, --IPv6Version        Set the domain to IPv6
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iPerf (Cont)

Server specific:

-s, --server run in server mode
-D, --daemon run the server as a daemon
-R, --remove remove service in win32

Client specific:

-b, --bandwidth #[KM] for UDP, bandwidth to send at in bits/sec
(default 1 Mbit/sec, implies -u)
-c, --client <host> run in client mode, connecting to <host>
-d, --dualtest Do a bidirectional test simultaneously
-n, --num #[KM] number of bytes to transmit (instead of -t)
-r, --tradeoff Do a bidirectional test individually
-t, --time # time in seconds to transmit for (default 10 secs)
-F, --fileinput <name> input the data to be transmitted from a file
-I, --stdin input the data to be transmitted from stdin
-L, --listenport # port to recieve bidirectional tests back on
-P, --parallel # number of parallel client threads to run
-T, --ttl # time-to-live, for multicast (default 1)

iPerf (Cont)

Miscellaneous:
-h, --help print this message and quit
-v, --version print version information and quit

[KM] Indicates options that support a K or M suffix for kilo- or mega-

The TCP window size option can be set by the environment variable TCP_WINDOW_SIZE. Most other options can be set by an environment variable IPERF_<long option name>, such as IPERF_BANDWIDTH.

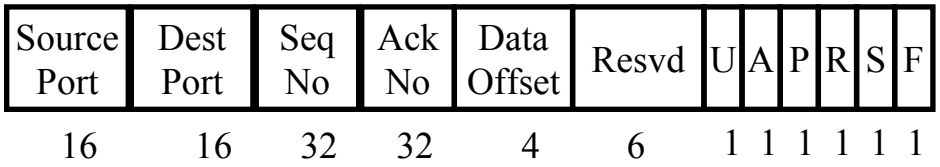
Report bugs to <dast@nlanr.net>

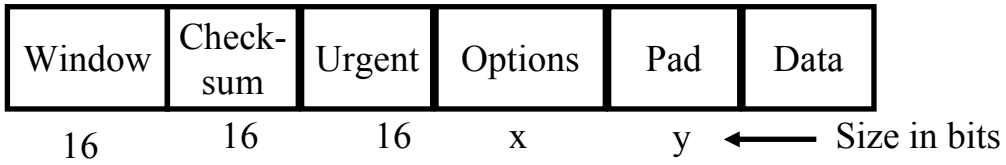
iPerf Command Examples

- **iperf -s –u**
  Get ready to receive (server) UPD traffic
- **iperf -c n2p2 –u -b 10m -t 20**
  Send (client) to n2p2 UDP traffic at 10 Mbps for 20s
- **iperf -s -w 4m**
  Get ready to receive TCP traffic with a socket buffer of 4 MB
  Window = 2 ×Socket Buffer
- **iperf -c n2p2 -w 3m -t 20**
  Send to n2p2 TCP traffic with a socket buffer of 3 MB for 20s
- Note:
  - Storage: 1MB = 1024 **K**B = 2^{20} B
    Big K = 1024, Big B=Bytes
  - Networking: 1Mb= 1000 **k**b = 10^6 b (not 2^{20} b)
    Little k = 1000, Little b = bits

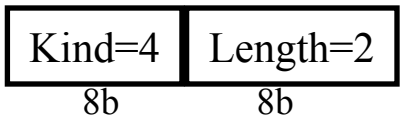
Selective Acknowledgement

- Destinations can indicate exactly which packets are missing
- Useful if long-delay or high-speed (large Window)
- TCP Segment Format:

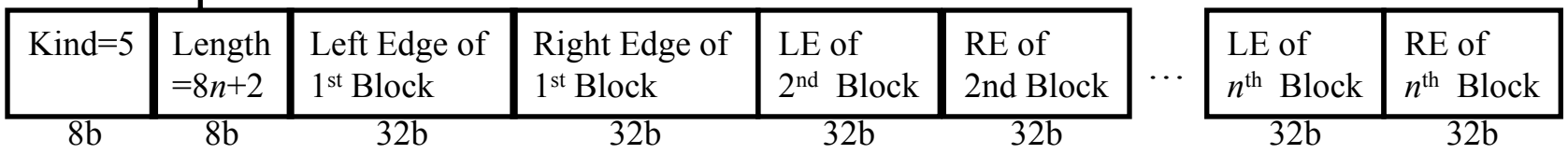




- TCP Connection Setup: 2-byte SACK permitted option



- Sack option in Data Packets:



Ref: http://tools.ietf.org/html/rfc2018

Lab Assignments

Objective: Hands-on experience & apply concepts

Lab assignment 1:

- Familiarize with ONL through ONL tutorial
- Network topology, packet path (forwarding), link capacity

Lab assignment 2:

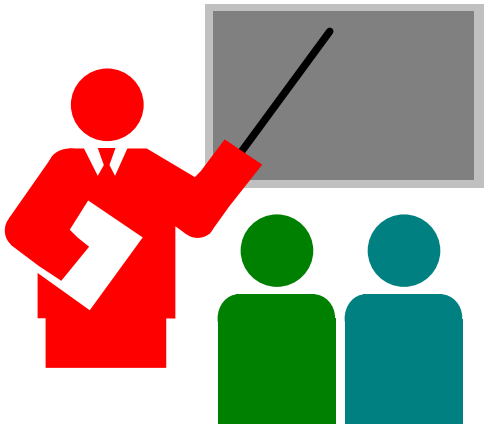
- Transmit and monitor packet traffic
- Routing (edit routing table)
- Analyze behavior of a queue

Lab assignment 3:

- Congestion Control

Note: It is important for each student to do the labs individually. ONL keeps track of who did what.

Summary



1. Open Network Laboratory (ONL) allows remote users to setup a network configuration and experiment
2. Remote Laboratory Interface (RLI) is a java frontend for designing and running experiments
3. Need to setup SSH tunnel to ONL server
4. Need to reserve the physical equipment before committing your experiment to hardware
5. Recommend using during working hours to avoid crashed systems and other problems