

Cisco and the Internet - and innovation

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Why am I a here ?

- **I'm not a father of the Internet**
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- **I am not even a young upcoming next generation researcher**
- **I guess that makes me an aging 2nd cousin on my Uncle's side of the Internet lineage**

Evolution of the Internet

- **1st the Earth cooled**
- **then we had Dinosaurs**
- **then we had oil**
- **then we had Mercedes Benz**
- **then we had ARPAnet**
- **then we had research networks (NSFNET, ESnet,...)**
- **then we had the Internet and Porsches and IPOs**
- **then we had the technology bubble burst**
- **then the earth cooled again - OR DID IT?**

What is the Internet

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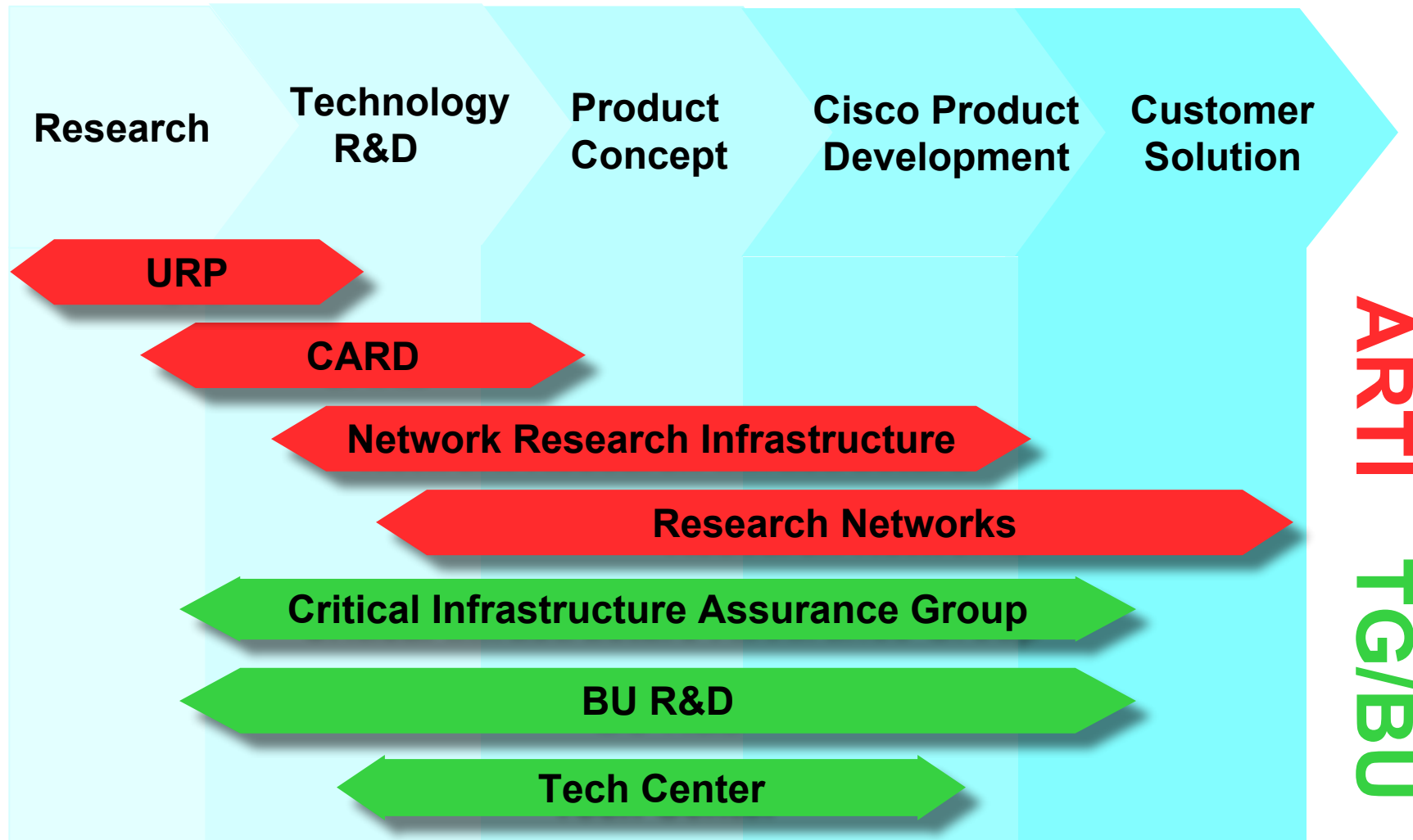
- **A network of networks**
- **A community of communities**
- **Actually : It's a state of mind**

Cisco's Role in contributing to Current Internet

- **Next generation routers, switches, security, storage,...**
- **Standards Bodies** (IETF, OIF, DTMF, IEEE,GGF,...)
Baker, Halvestrand : IETF Chairs; IESG, WG chairs, etc.
- **Partner with and support research networks on an international basis**
Continued challenge: Network and system researchers VS production networks
- **Workshops for underdeveloped countries (eg. NATO)**
- **Support NANOG, APAN, APRICOT, TERENA, Joint Techs, and NRN conferences & Internet Organizations**
- **Internet Protocol Journal (IPJ)**

Cisco Research & Development (covers the full life cycle of research)

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Cisco's Role in contributing to Current Internet: Research Programs

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- **Research programs (support continued innovation)**
 - University Research Program (URP)** - NSF/DARPA like program and awards (worldwide)
 - Cisco Applied Research & Development (CARD)** - directed shorter term research - IPR negotiated & SOW
 - Research on large scale networks & protocols** (TCP, BGP, Control planes, WEB100, EMULAB, ...)
 - Joint Cisco & University/research networks (RN)** R&D – hybrid R&D (Twaren, CENIC, OARNET, NLR, AIST,...)
 - Joint University-Cisco DARPA and NSF projects** (LASOR, FAST, FIU, CalTech, UCB)

Cisco's Role in contributing to Current Internet : national, regional, state, affinity Research Networks

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- Helped create I2 & Abilene & Gigapops in 1998
- NOW (ie. 21st century)

International networks

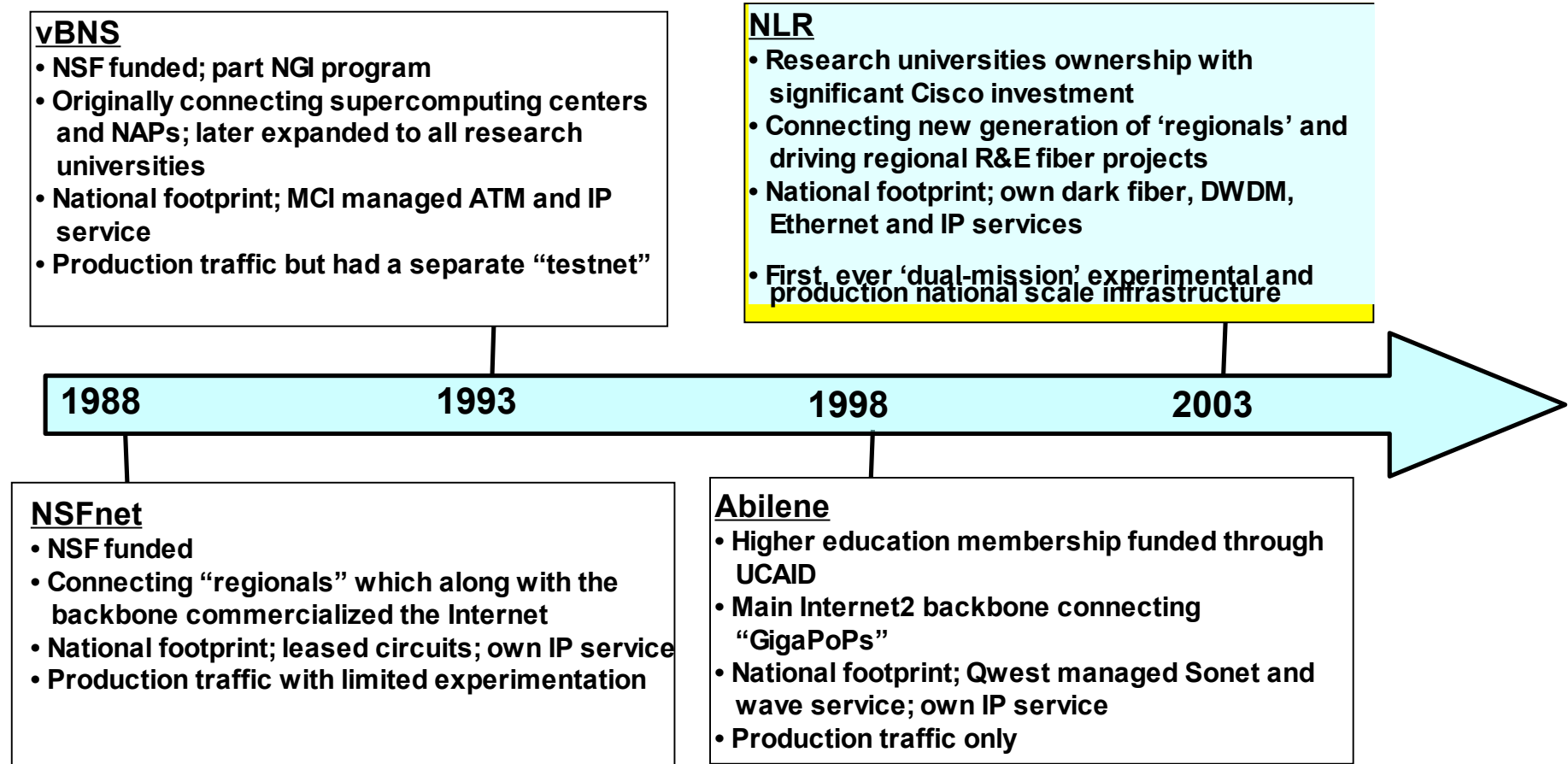
IEEAF, ALICE, GLORIAD, ULTRALIGHT, FIU-Cal Tech

National Lambda Rail (NLR) - Cisco is partner/contributor

- full circle – ARPANET like environment (“back to the future”)
- concurrently supports production and network research at all layers concurrently (ie. layer 1-9) & is AUP free
- provides primordial environment to develop next generation applications, Network, and Systems R&D

Historical Perspective: NLR is the next big US Research and Education community initiative

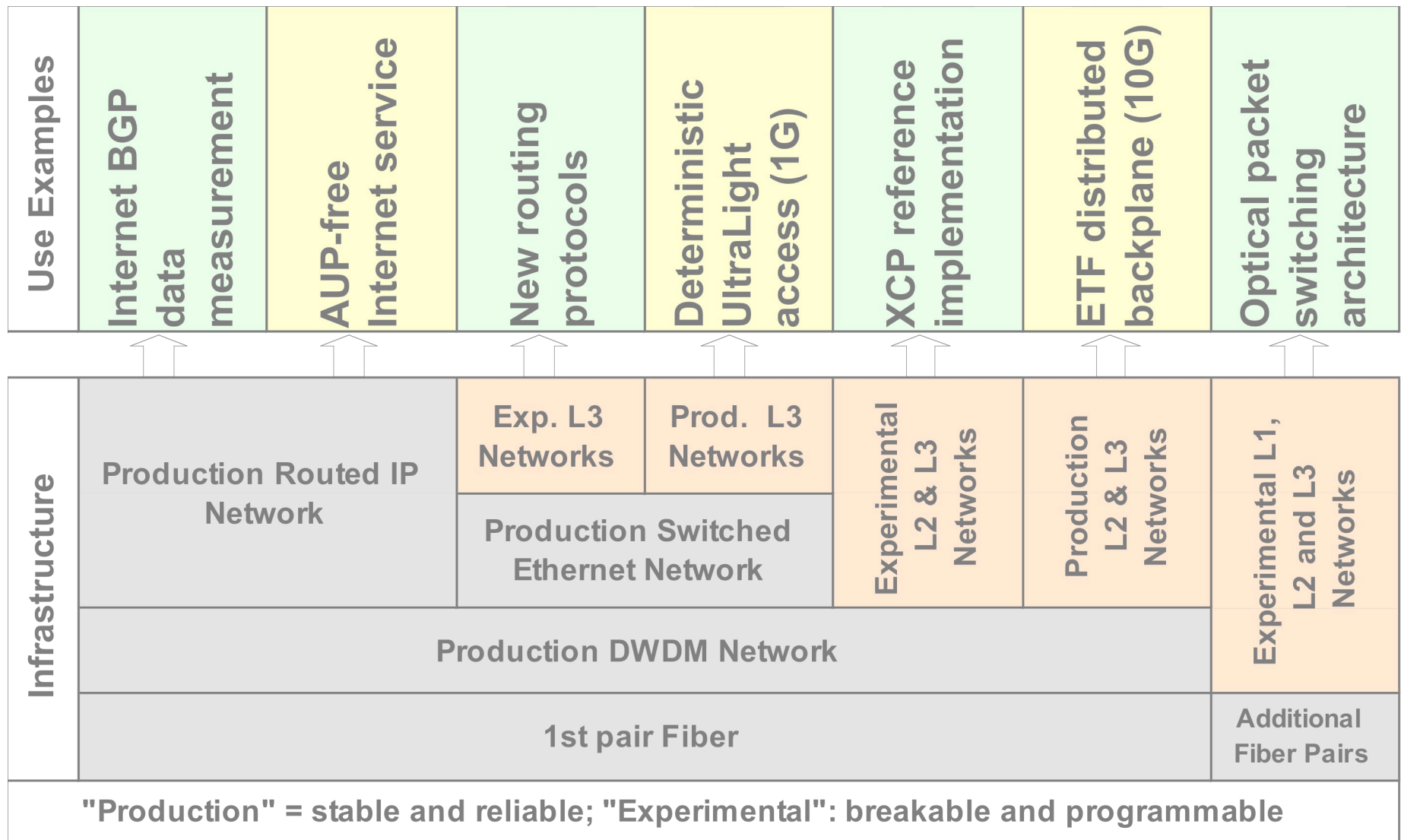
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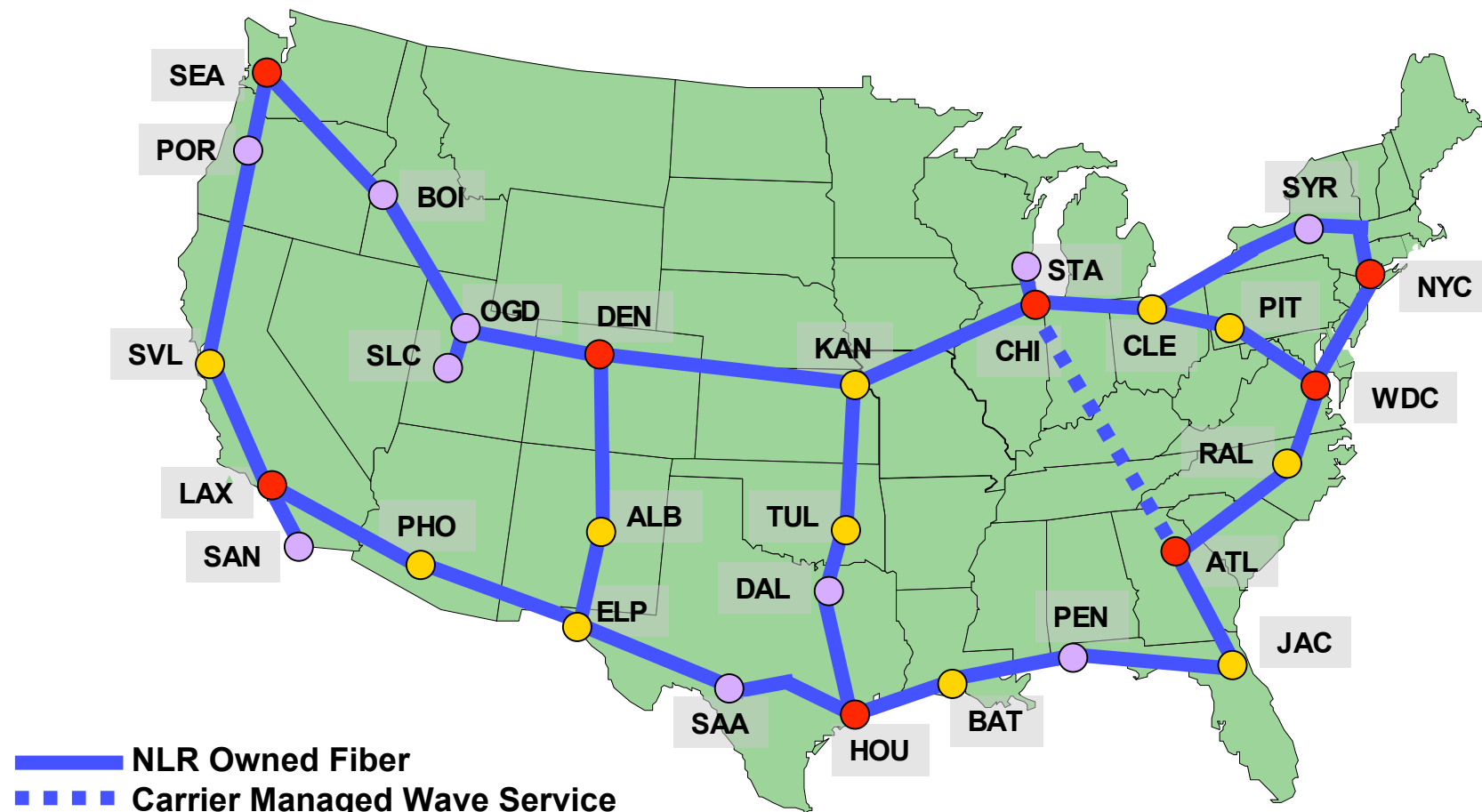
Every 5 years the US national research networking infrastructure evolves to the next level

NLR "Morphnet" Concept: Infrastructure Supporting Both Production and Experimental Networks

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NLR Map – Phase 1 and Planned Phase 2 Footprint



————— NLR Owned Fiber
- - - - - Carrier Managed Wave Service

- NLR Layer 1, 2 and 3 PoP
- NLR Layer 1 and 2 PoP
- NLR Layer 1 PoP

Layer 1: Cisco 15000 series muxes
Layer 2: Cisco 6500 series switches
Layer 3: Cisco CRS-1 series routers

Future Growth of Internet

- **Intelligent, self managing, self healing, self tuning networks**
- **Secure, highly available, fault tolerant networks**
- **Media convergence (data, voice, video)**
- **Evolution and scaling of TCP/IP (like Fortran) and experimentation of alternative transports**
- **Continued discussion of packet vs circuit (lambdas)**
- **Router & switch architectures evolve (like supercomputers)**
- **The edge evolves**
 - Mobile, wireless, ubiquitous computing, sensor nets, persistent presence, nomadic, , nano-technologies**
- **Multi-dimensional GRIDs (grid of grids) and peering at all layers**
- **Network and Grid aware applications (virtualization)**
- **Next Generation applications (p2p, multi-media, collaborative, ...)**

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