



# US LHCNet update

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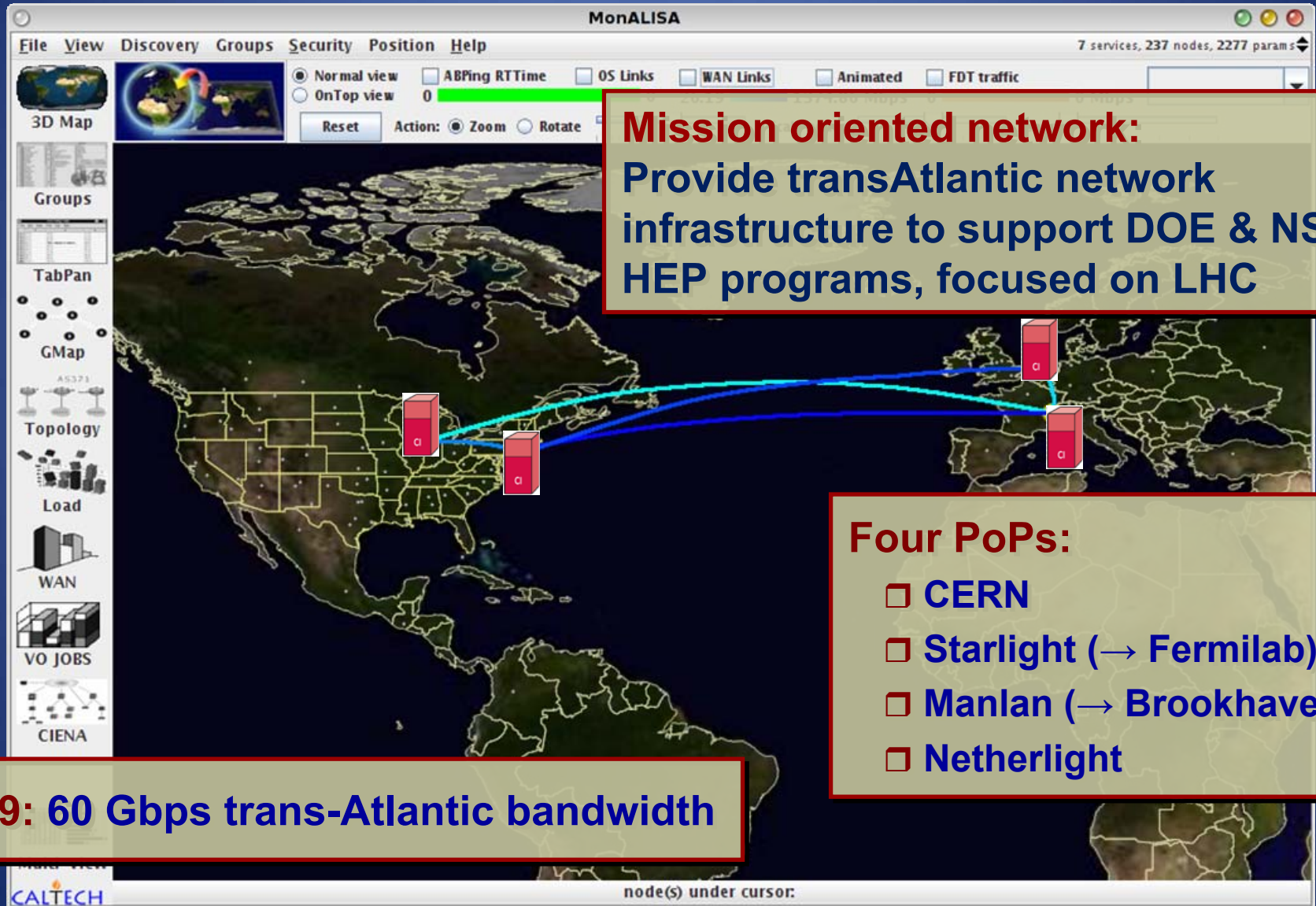
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# US LHCNet overview



**Mission oriented network:**  
Provide transAtlantic network infrastructure to support DOE & NSF HEP programs, focused on LHC

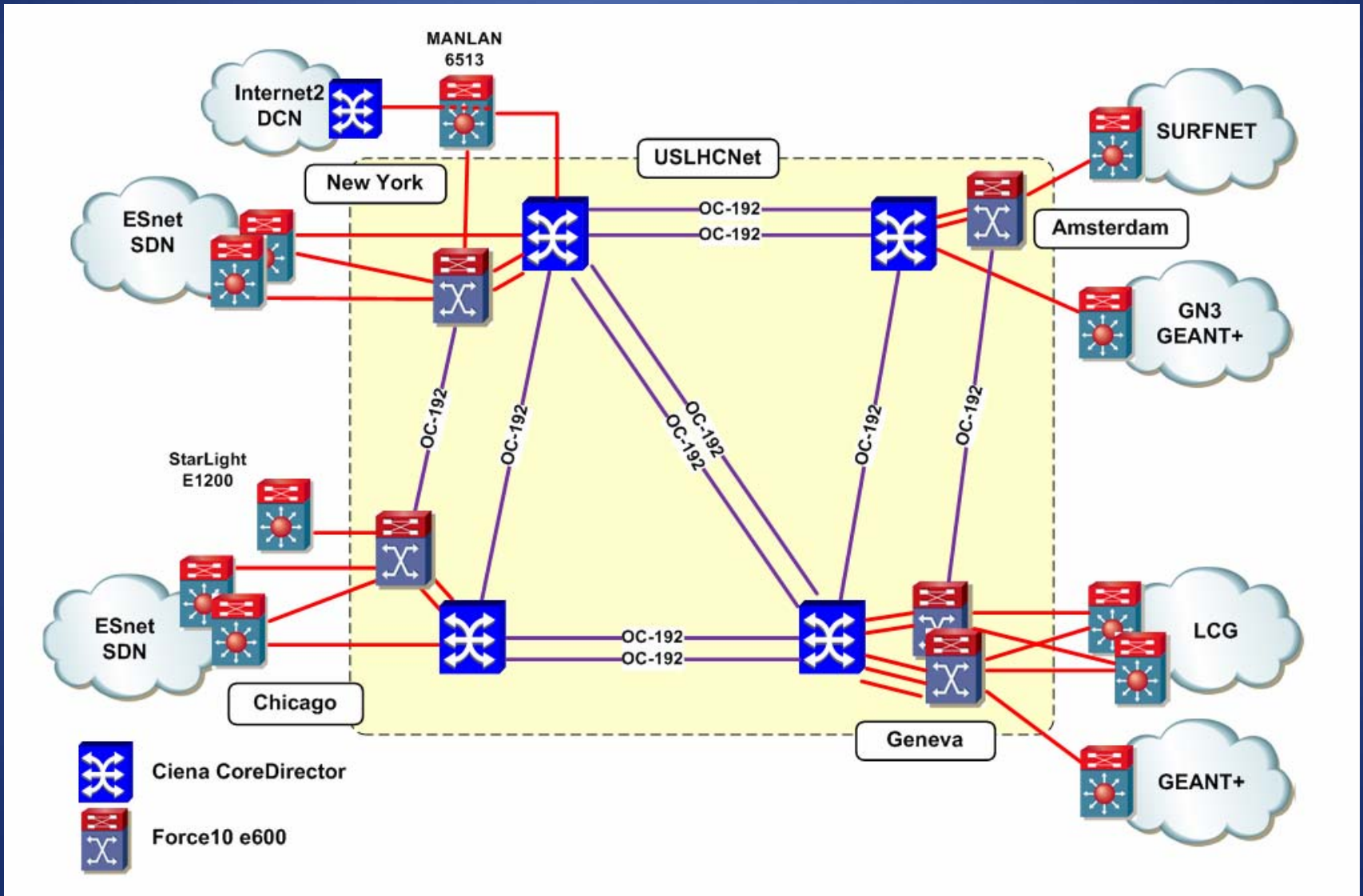
- Four PoPs:**
- CERN
  - Starlight (→ Fermilab)
  - Manlan (→ Brookhaven)
  - Netherlight

**2009: 60 Gbps trans-Atlantic bandwidth**





# US LHCNet topology





# 2009 Summer's activities



- RFP for all links concluded in May
- Transition to new providers during July 17 – August 10
  - Mostly as planned, i.e. within delay margins
  - Started with one new deployment as “spare”
- No major impact on production traffic
  - VCs rolled to new circuits after acceptance tests, only in-flight frames impacted.
- Ciena CoreDirectors at MANLAN, StarLight and CERN upgraded September 8 – 25.

**All major interventions performed as planned, getting ready now for LHC startup!**

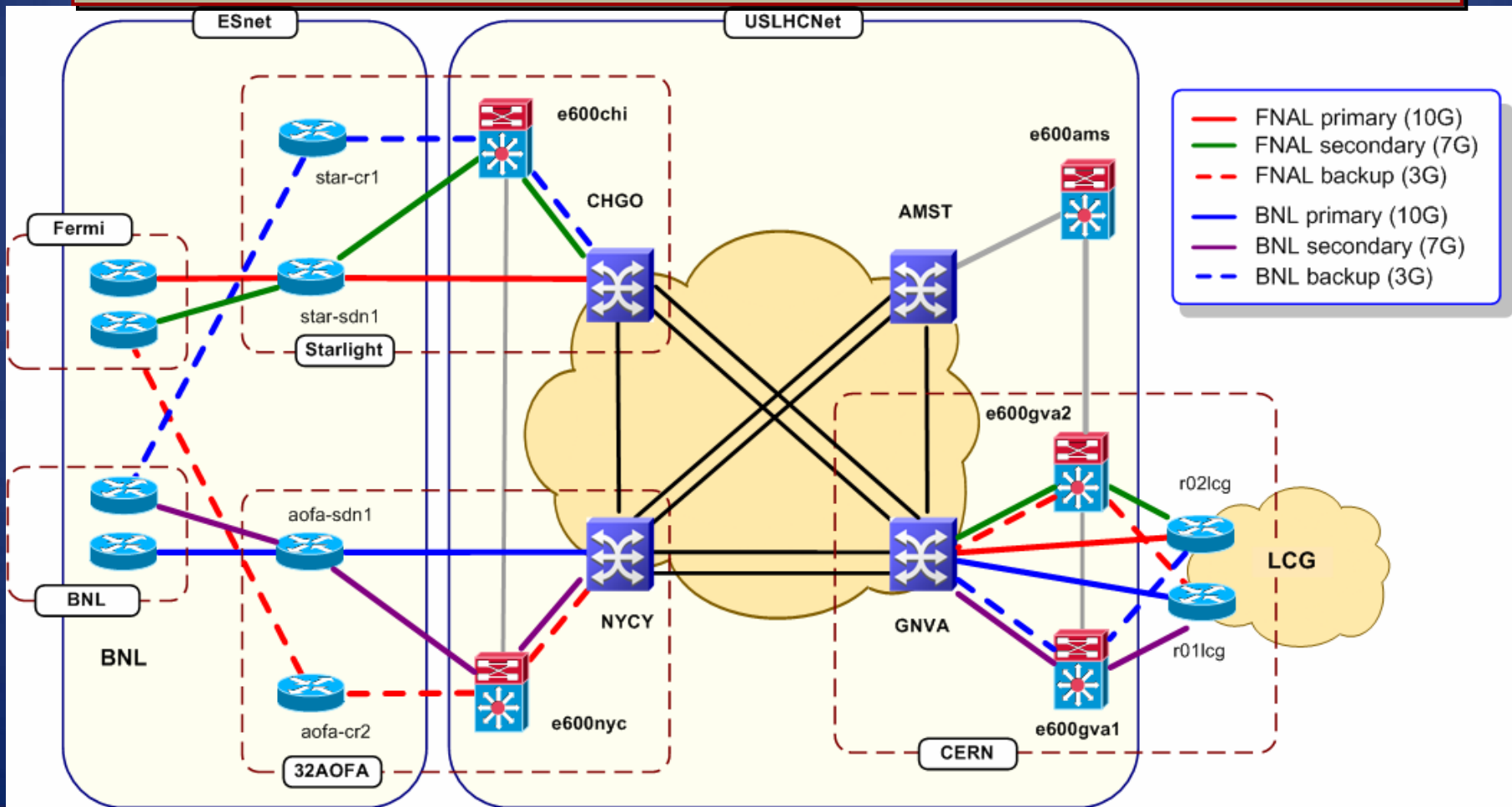




# Resiliency through path diversity



- Multiple (5) submarine cables used
- Path diversity on terrestrial segments
- PoP diversity for explicit backup paths to US Tier1s





# More on resiliency



- Primary virtual circuits are mesh protected
- Use VCAT/LCAS to lower impact of a link failure
  - VCAT used for multipath Layer 1 connections
  - LCAS keeps the remaining SNCs operational during fail-over, lowers impact
- For US Tier1s, additional failover at Layer 3
  - Backup paths constructed with ESnet to be completely path/device diverse
  - Turned out very useful during CoreDirector HW upgrade



# Services



- US LHCNet provides services to the HEP community at
  - Layer 1 / 1.5
  - Layer 2
  - Layer 3
- Dynamic circuit capability between all PoPs
  - Deployed DCNSS (since spring 2008)
  - Interoperable with the Internet2 ION and ESnet OSCARS

**Please come to see the FDT demonstration today!**

- Long term aim: connect dynamic circuit networks on both sides of the Atlantic
- Short term: possibility of long-tail (static) extension in Europe



**THANK YOU!**

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