

Gemini Networking in the era of NOIRLab



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The Gemini Observatory Mission

“To advance our knowledge of the Universe by providing the International Gemini community with forefront access to the entire sky”

Gemini Observatory

“ One Observatory, Two Telescopes ”

Gemini Telescopes

- Gemini North
 - Mauna Kea Mountain, Hawaii
- Gemini South
 - Cerro Pachon, Chile

Gemini Partners

- United States
- Canada
- Chile
- Brazil
- Argentina
- Korea



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Gemini Observatory Data Centers

Gemini North

- Hilo Base Facility (HBF) , Hilo City
- Mauna Kea Operations (MKO), at 4200m

Gemini South

- La Serena Base Facility (SBF), La Serena
- Cerro Pachon Operation (CPO), at 2700m

Key Use Cases:

- #1 = Base Facility Operations: High QoS
- #2 = Summit Base Data Transfer: **High Bandwidth**
- #3 = High Availability: **Multiple Paths**
- #4 = Cross-site Coordination, Hilo - La Serena: Low Latency
 - **La Serena - Tucson**
- #5 = Cloud Data Archiving: High Reliability

Gemini Network Use

- Remote Observing
 - Base Facility Operations



Gemini South staff Javier Fuentes and Joy Chavez conduct remote observations from the control room in La Serena, Chile.

- Instrumentation
 - Each Telescope is equipped with four instruments fed by advanced AO Systems:
 - GMOS
 - GSAOI
 - GPI
 - FLAMINGOS-2
 - GEMS
 - GCAL
 - **GHOST**
 - **SCORPIO**
 - Visiting Instruments
 - DSSI
 - Phoenix
 - IGRINS
 - **ZORRO**

Summit Base Data Transfer

Primary Channel

- Current :
 - SM Fiber DWDM, 40 Gb/s : Port-Channel
- 4x10Gb/s

Backup link

- Gemini/Telconor Link : 300 Mb/s (2 Microwave radios)

Multiple Paths: HA

Data Center Redundancy:

- Next-Generation FTD
- Core Switches
- Flexstack Technology
- Authentication Servers
Virtualized (ISE)
- VmWare nodes
- Storage servers
- Backup Service
- Power and Cooling

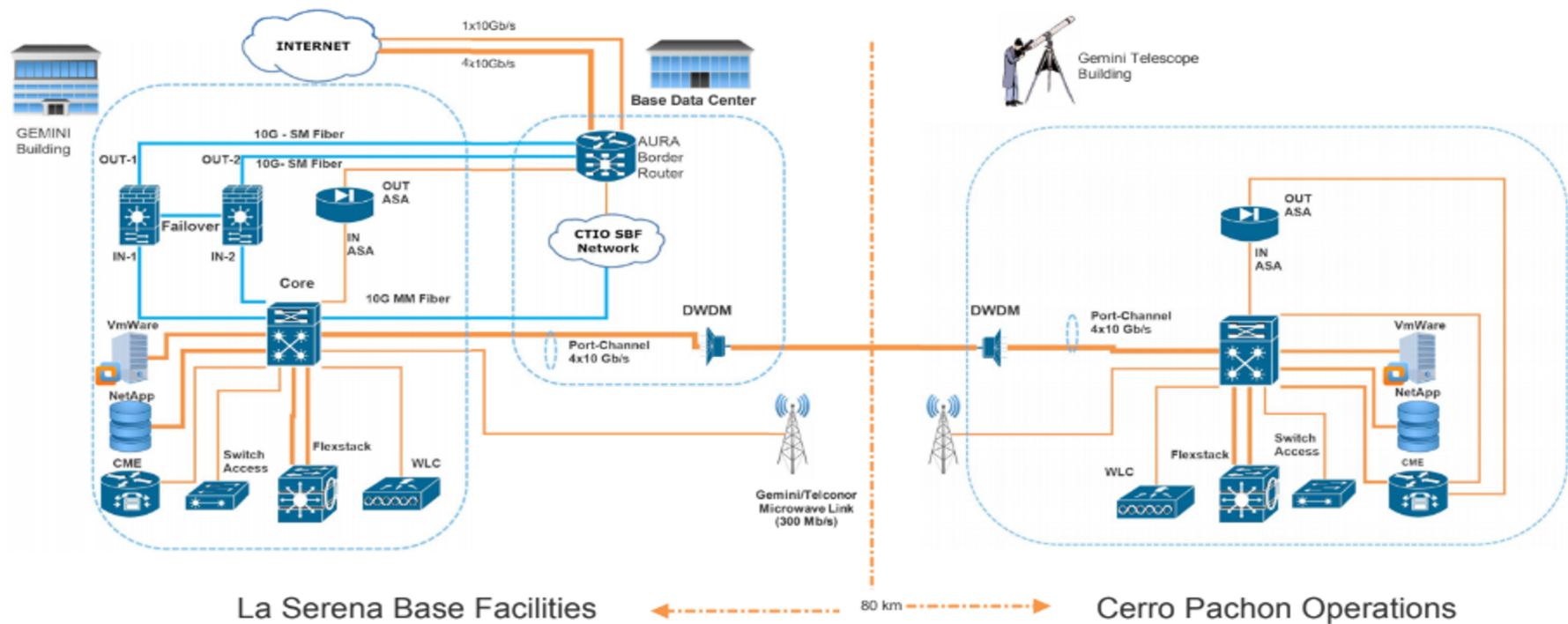
Fiber Optic :

- Port-Channels

Microwave Link:

- Two Radios 150 Mb/s
 - Gemini/Telconor

High level Diagram Gemini South



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Cross Site Coordination

VPN L2L between :

- SBF and HBF
- SBF and MKO
- CPO and HBF
- CPO and MKO
- SBF and TBF
- SBF and MSO-CTIO

La Serena \Leftrightarrow Hilo

- Latency \sim 226 ms

La Serena \Leftrightarrow Tucson

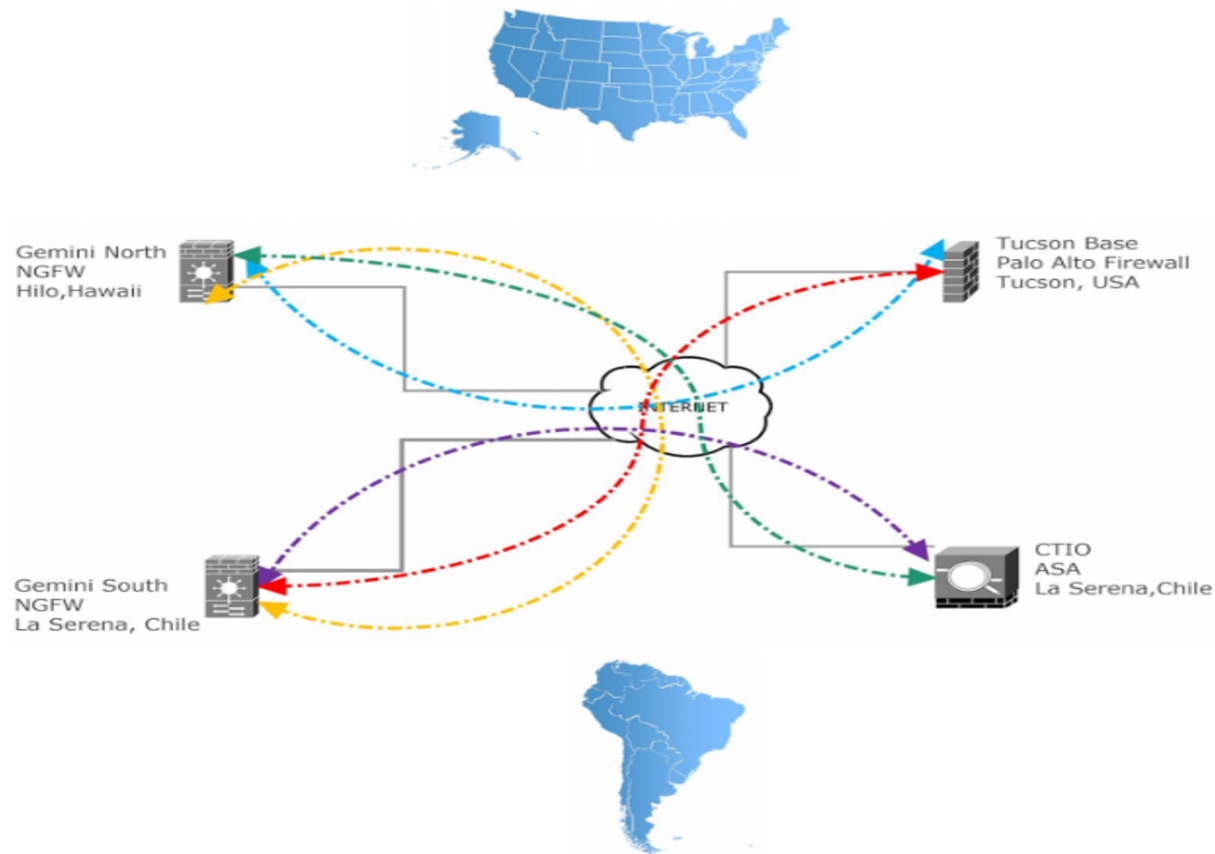
- Latency \sim 167 ms

Many Services in common:

- Mail and Google Apps
- ISE
- Active Directory
- DNS
- Zoom Conference Meetings

(HBF \Leftrightarrow Tucson \sim 64 ms)

VPN L2L Site Coordination



Site	Public IP
Gemini North	128.171.188.163
Tucson	140.252.104.20
Gemini South	139.229.33.7
CTIO-SBF	139.229.10.238

- Blue dashed arrow: IPSec VPN L2L, GN-Tucson
- Yellow dashed arrow: IPSec VPN L2L, GN-GS
- Green dashed arrow: IPSec VPN L2L, GN-CTIO
- Red dashed arrow: IPSec VPN L2L, GS-Tucson
- Purple dashed arrow: IPSec VPN L2L, GS-CTIO

Important upgrades 2019

- Upgrade to the Next Generation Firewalls
 - Migrating from old EoL equipment in 4 locations
 - Increased BW to the AURA Border router : DONE
 - Improvement using High availability: DONE
 - New features incorporated :
 - VPN L2L GS-GN : DONE
 - SSL VPN Anyconnect : 50 Licenses added
 - New IPS : DONE
 - AMP: In Progress
 - URL Filtering : In Progress

Cloud Data Archiving

- Fast and low cost Observatory data archive running on the cloud
- <https://archive.gemini.edu/>



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- Important astronomical studies and discoveries summary on 2019:

[Gemini Focus Link](#)

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Gemini and NOIRLab

Gemini ITS is now part of one unity named the ITOps Department of NOIRLab. The new group is creating the synergy and coordination with the whole IT's group, to deliver efficient and effective IT throughout the organization.

- Knowledge transfer across Programs
- Increased support capacity
- Economies of scale
- Standardization of infrastructure
- <https://nationalastro.org/>

Gemini and NOIRLab

Current NOIRLab Projects:

- Centralized Authentication and Authorization Service Implementation
- Email, Calendar and Collaboration Project
- DNS NOIRLab Project
- VoIP System Alignment
- Centralized Video Conferencing

Thanks



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