

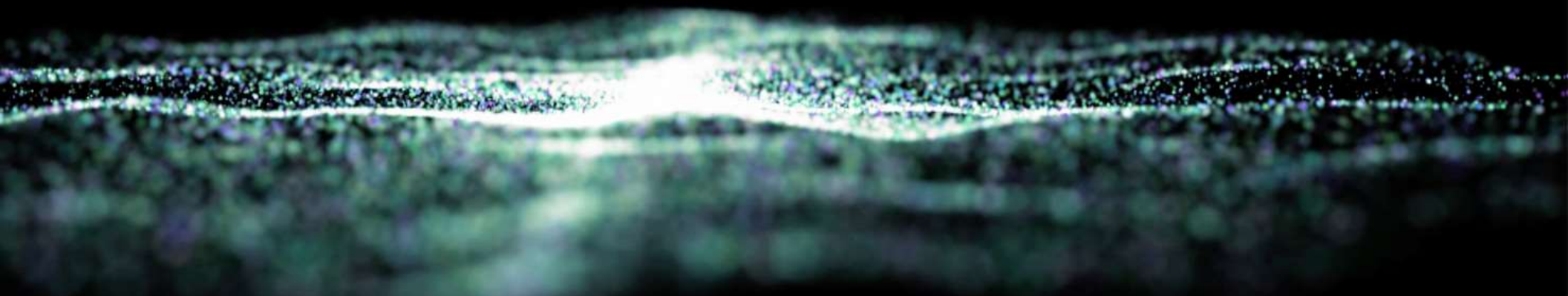
# IP Solutions for Broadcasters



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# Agenda

Business opportunity in broadcasting

Broadcast requirements are challenging

How the challenges can be met

Case study: SRG / UPC Orion project in Switzerland

Cisco/Nevion solutions – what's next?

# About Nevion

- **Our vision:**
  - Making real-time content creation boundary-free
- **Our mission:**
  - Virtualizing mission-critical connectivity
- **Our markets:**
  - Live broadcasting, esports, movie post-production and government applications
- **Our company:**
  - Over 20 years in business
  - Part of Sony



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# About Cisco

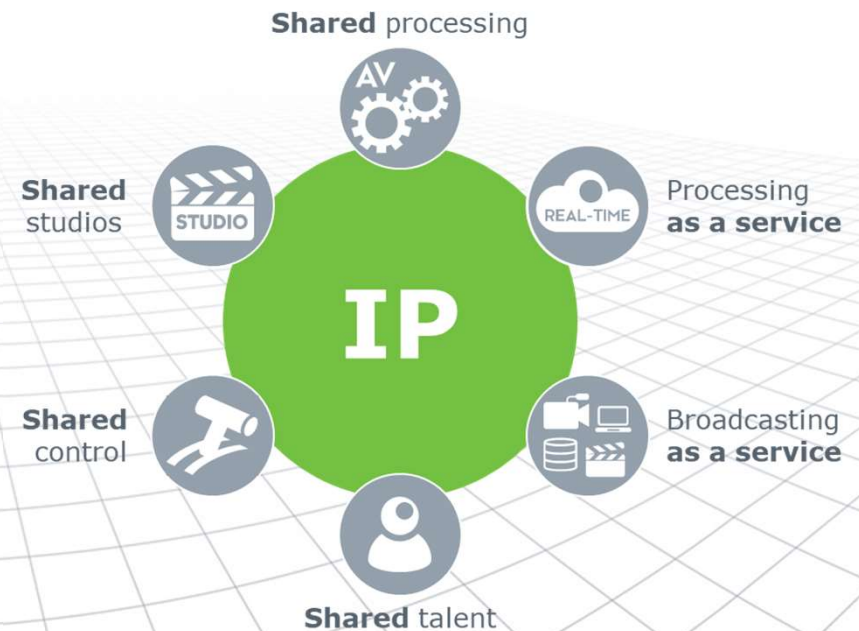
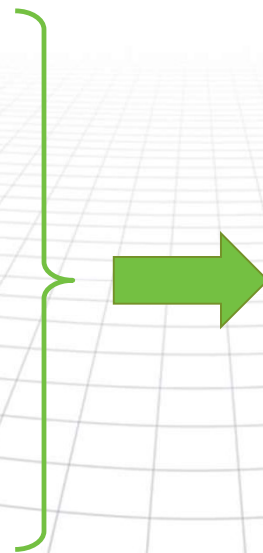
IP fabric for Media

- **Cisco IPFM enables**
  - Flexible IP fabric for SDI to IP transition
  - Automation through open APIs/ DCNM to simplify deployment
  - Real Time Telemetry for flow health monitoring
- **Cisco Media Data Center**
  - For post-production workflows



# Technology trends = New opportunities

- Transition from hardware to software
- Virtualization
- LAN / WAN convergence



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# Customer Considerations

Most  
broadcasters  
are **experts in  
media  
network needs**

Some  
broadcasters  
have **limited IP  
experience**

Most  
broadcasters  
typically  
**cannot justify  
moving to all-  
IP** immediately



# Broadcast media transport facts

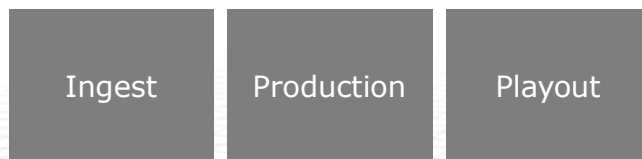


*The benchmark for performance: specialized & dedicated baseband (SDI) networks*

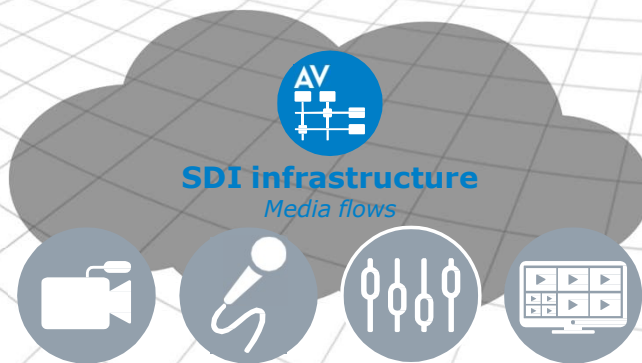




# Meeting the live broadcast challenge



**Broadcast control**

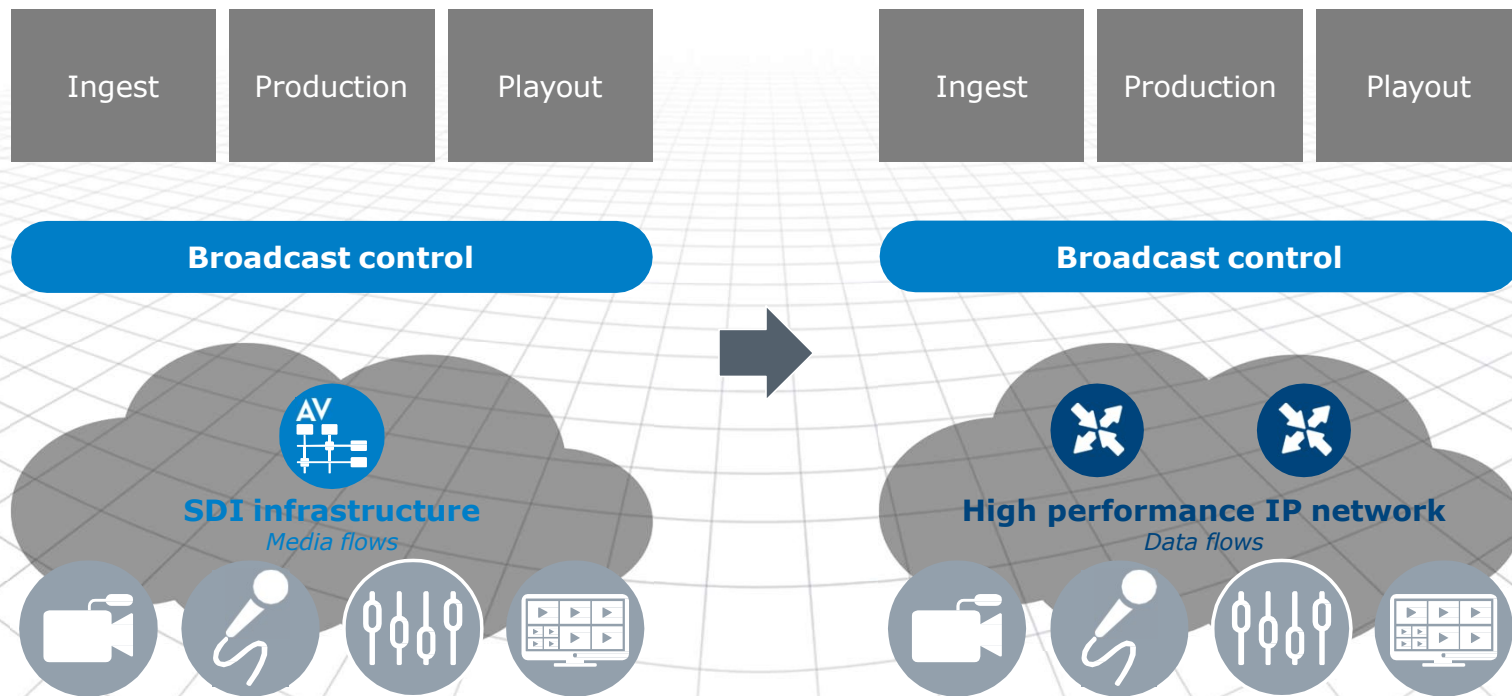


SDI infrastructure is  
**optimized for  
broadcast**

*Media-centric, high performance,  
deterministic routing, low  
latency, fast switching, etc*

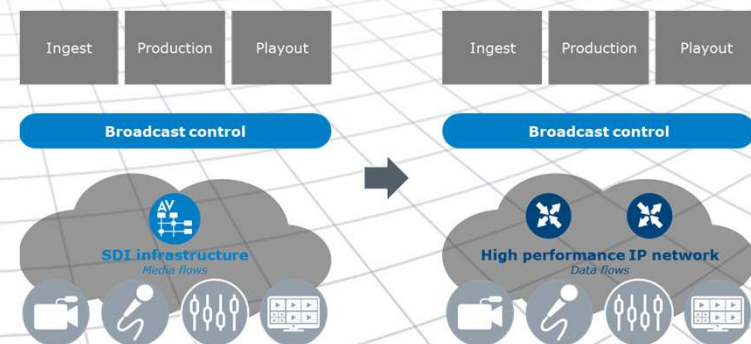


# Architecting a high performance IP network



# Which applications can run on the same network?

- Realtime audio/video for TV production
- Realtime audio for Radio production
- Playout
- File based applications
- Office applications
- Management
- Data Center applications
- Wide area networking
- ....



# Enterprise & broadcast networks are different

	Enterprise networks	Live broadcast networks
Payload	Data	Video + audio + data
Streams	Mostly < 10Mbps	Up to 12Gbps (4K video), many over 1.5Gbps
Access interface	1Gbps	10/25Gbps
Connection	Client-server	Peer-to-peer
Transmission	Unicast	Multicast (> 10,000 flows)
Profile	Variable and bursty	Constant
Protocol	TCP	UDP
Timing	Often not required	PTP (media flow synchronization) is mission critical



## Some challenges

Exceptionally **dynamic and scalable** architecture needed

**10,000s of multicast flows** needing to be live-switched

Mix of very **high and low** bitrate flows

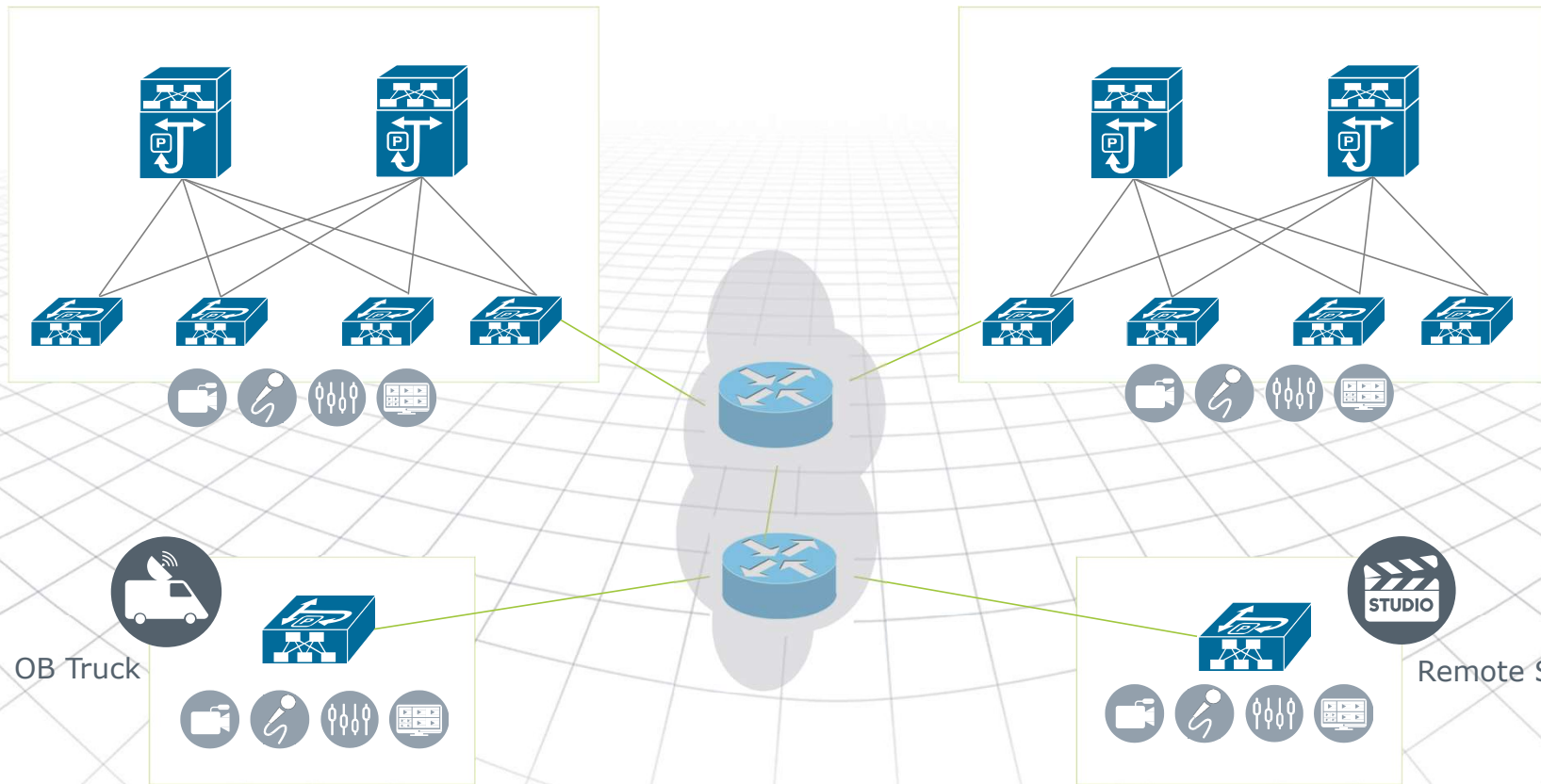
**PTP** is mission critical

Possible limited IP **knowledge**



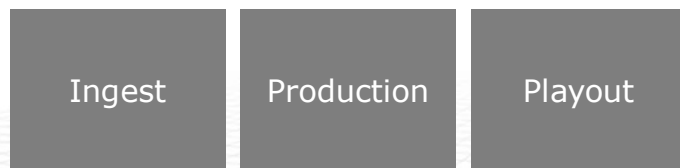
# Scalable and Flexible Topologies - For Studio and Remote Production

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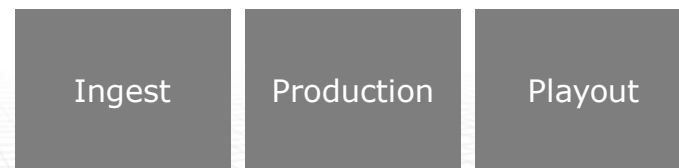
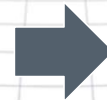
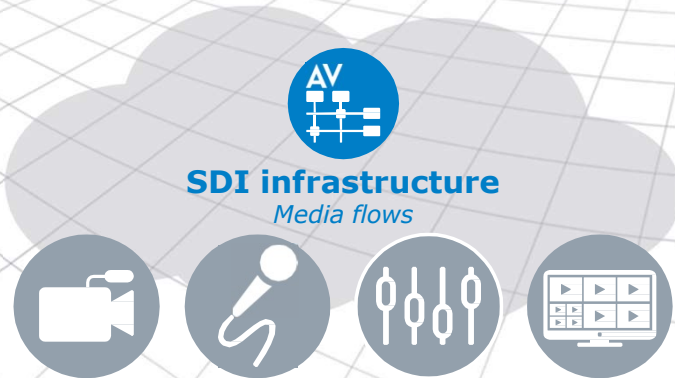


# Reliable End to End Orchestration and Monitoring

10,000s of multicast flows needing to be live-switched and monitored

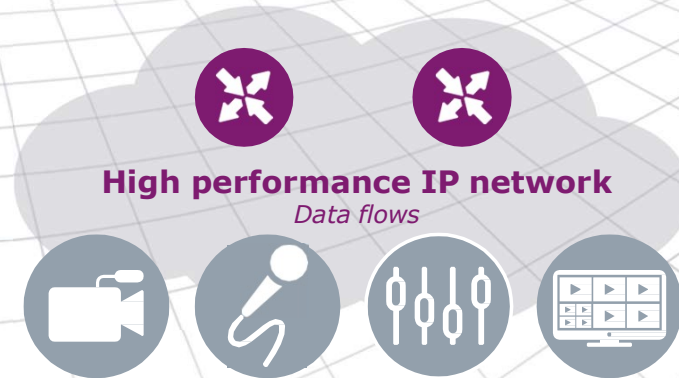


**Broadcast control**



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**VideoIPath Orchestration**  
*Resource reservation and connectivity*

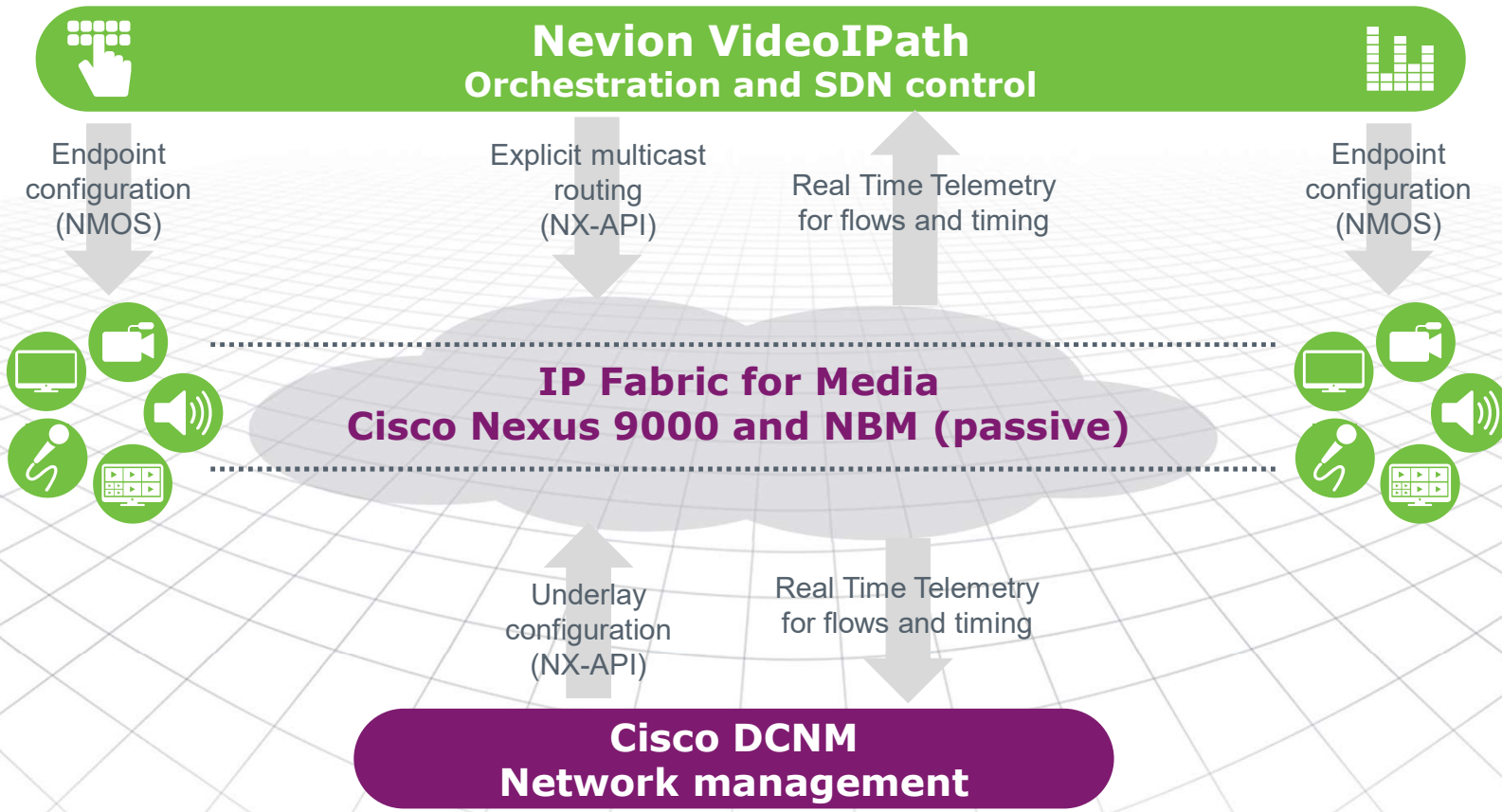


**DCNM**  
Network management



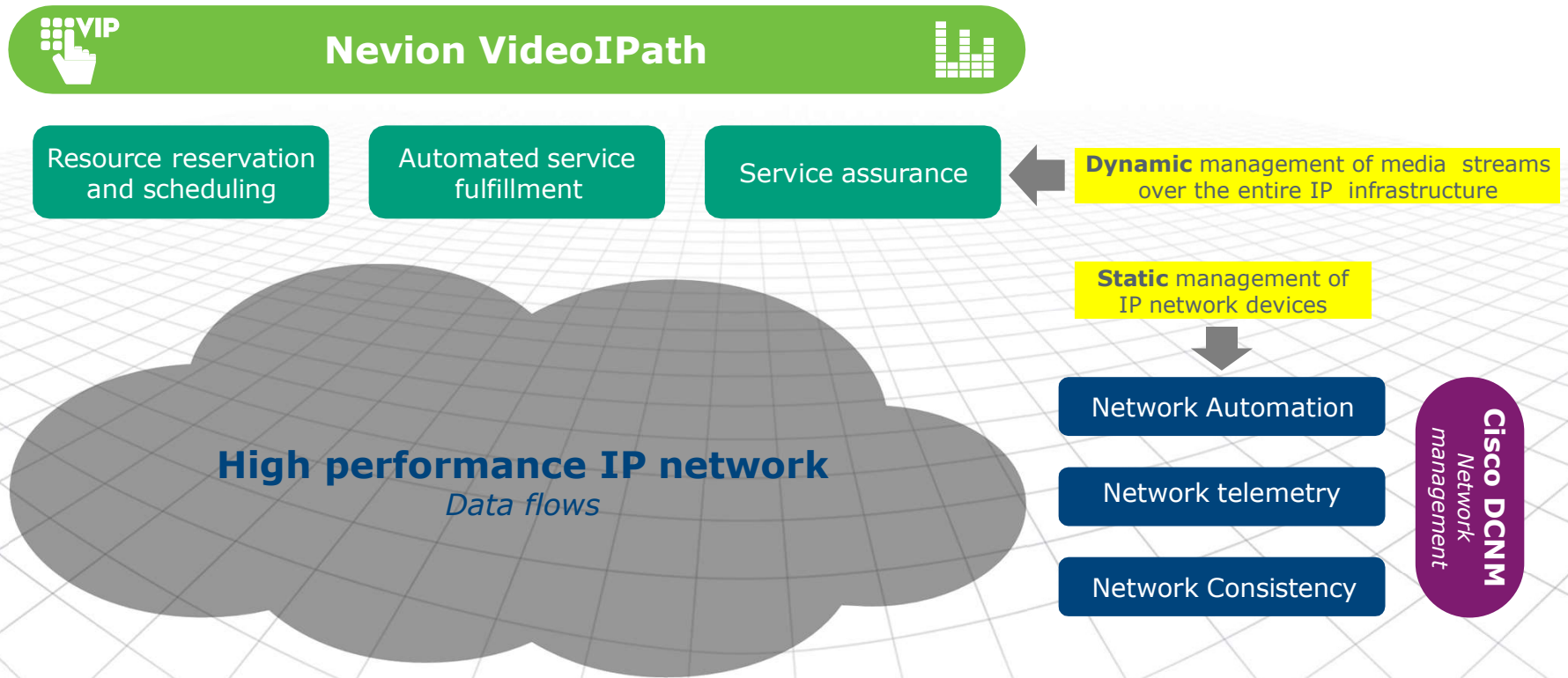
# Technical solution overview

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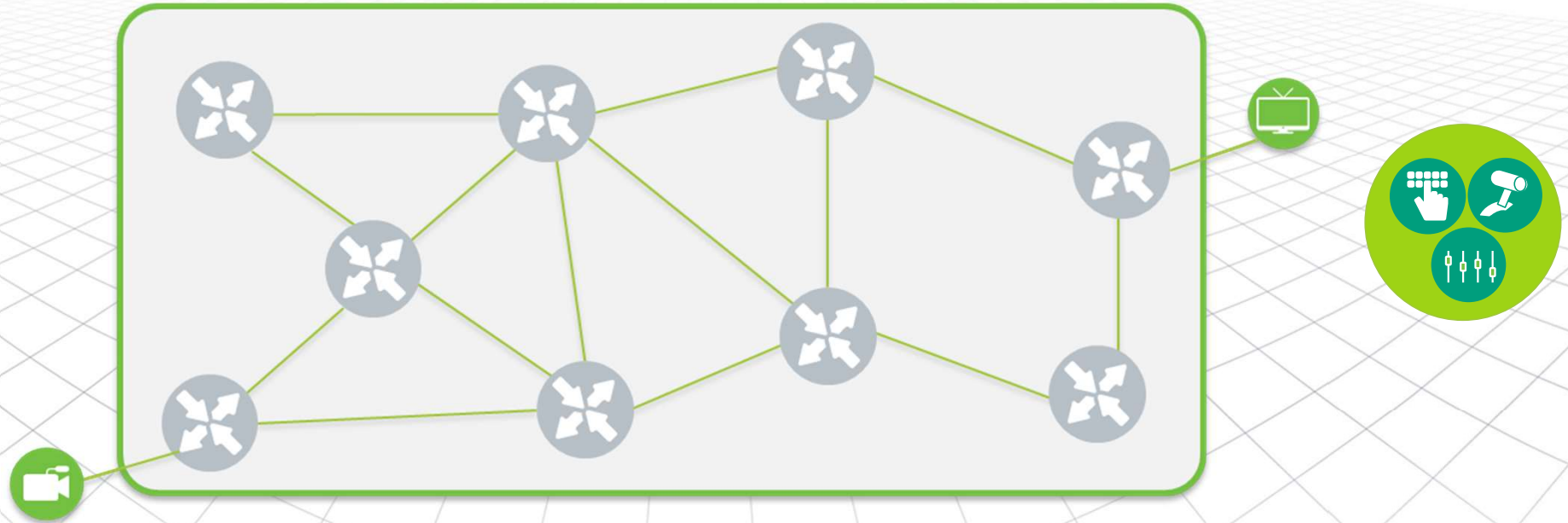
# VideoIPath and DCNM roles



# SDN-based routing

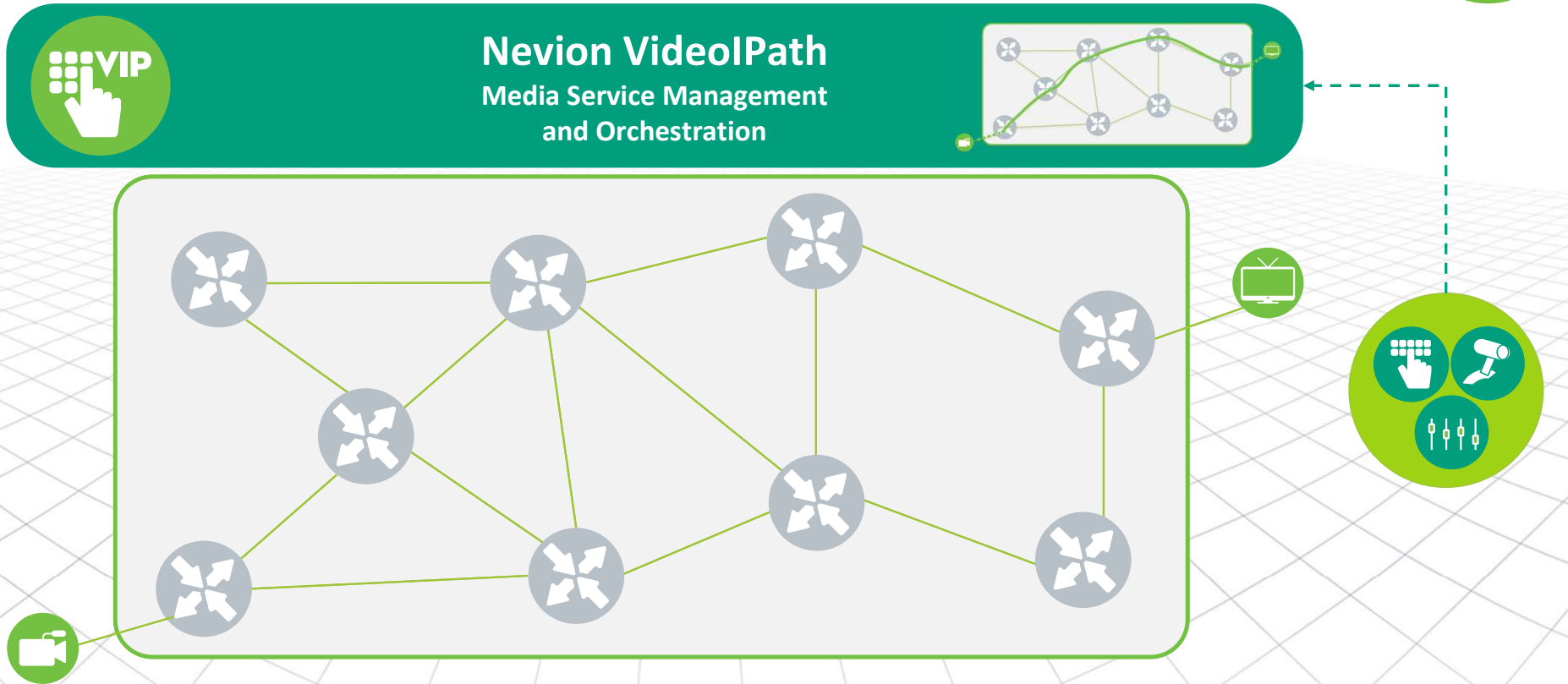
- Centralized topology view and routing intelligence

 **Neveon VideoPath**  
Media Service Management  
and Orchestration



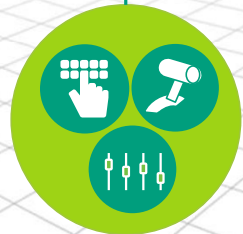
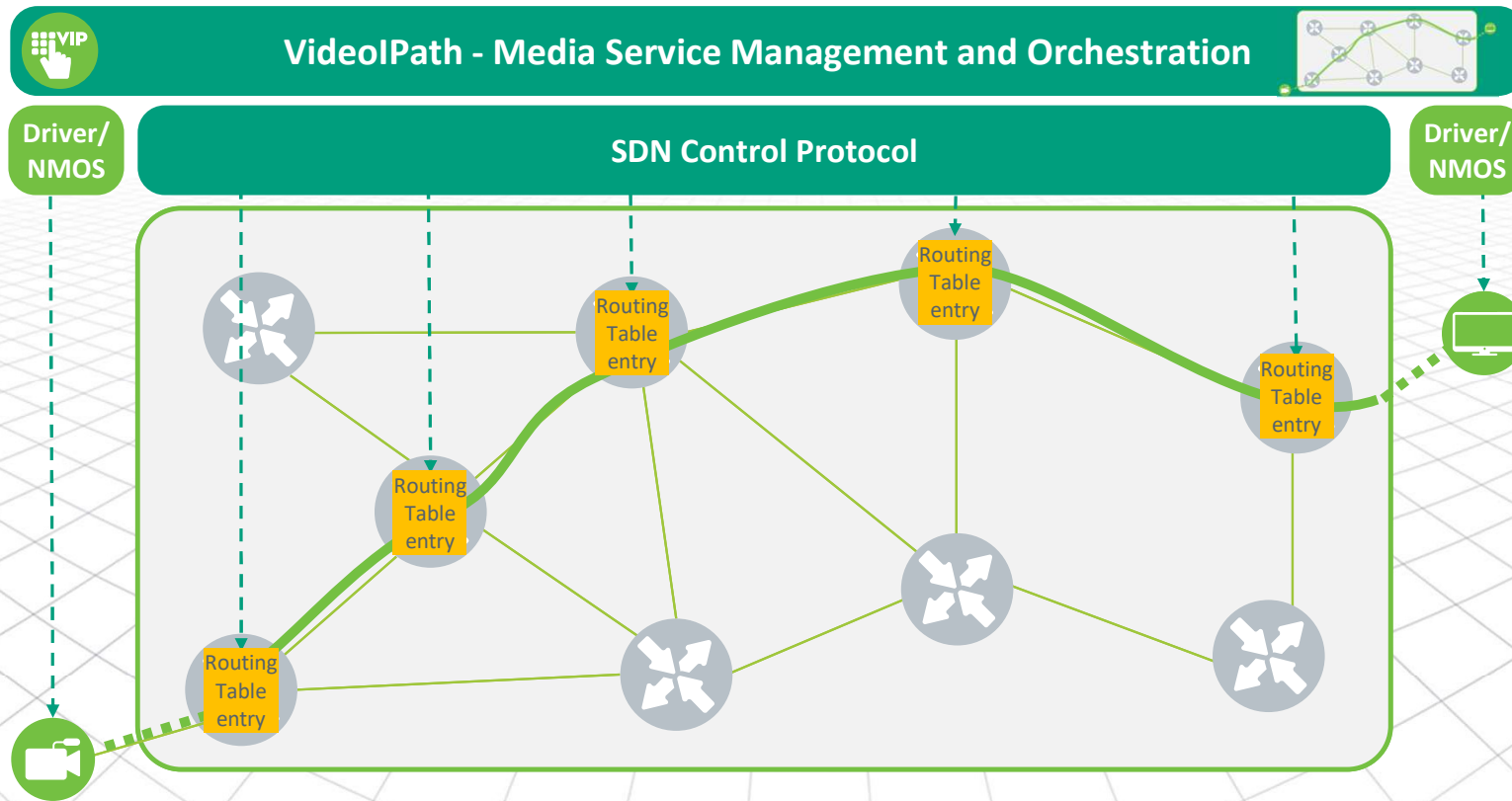
# SDN-based routing step 1

- Centralized identification of optimal path



# SDN-based routing step 2

- Push routing information into network elements



# Flexible SDN control

## - Cisco Nexus controlled via NX-API

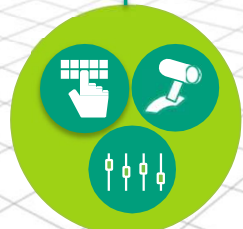
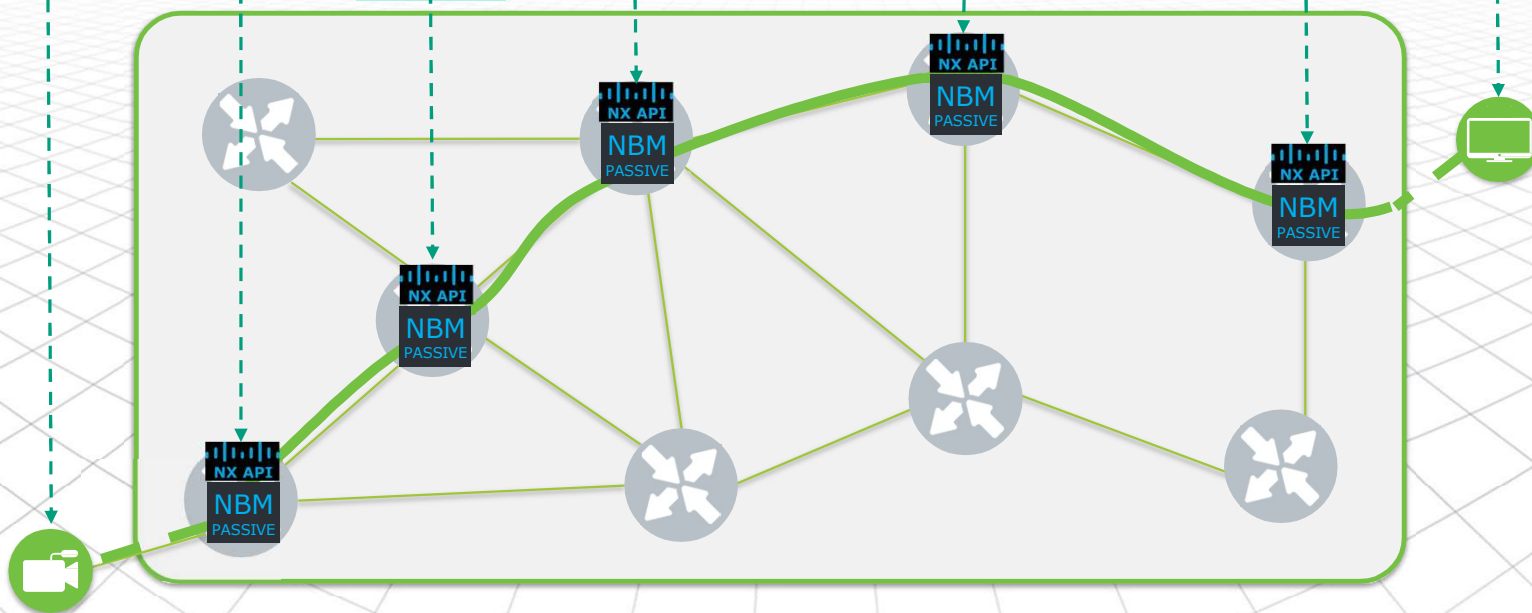


**VideolPath - Media Service Management and Orchestration**



**SDN Control Protocol**


OpenFlow | netConf | OPENCONFIC

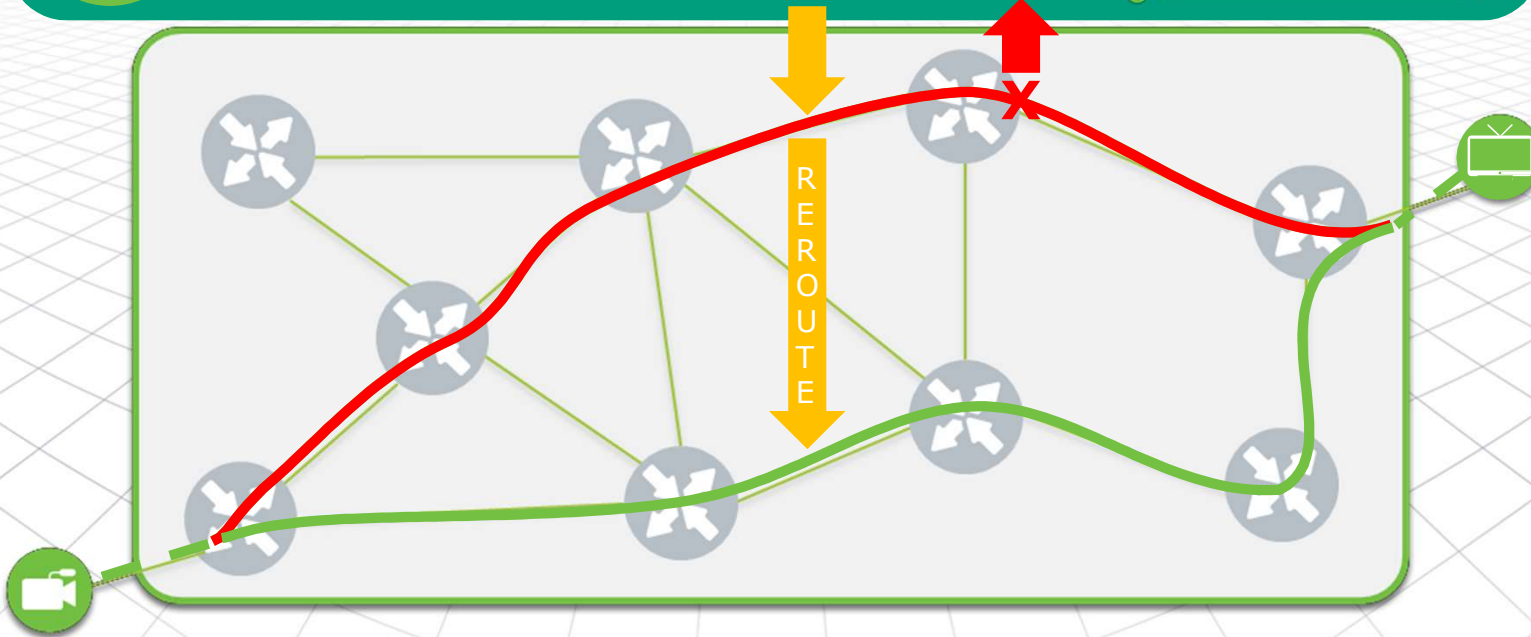


# SDN-based routing

- Routing around congestions and network issues

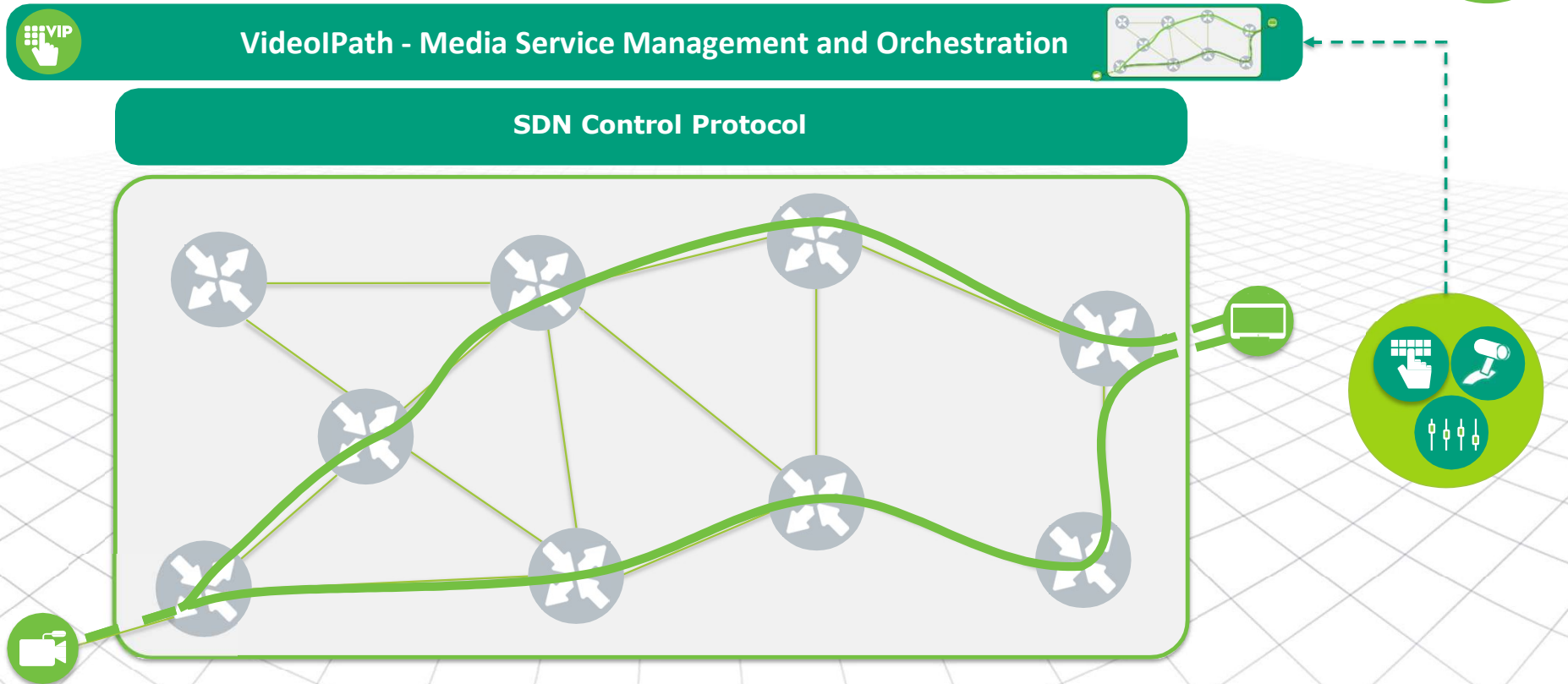


 **Nevion VideoPath**  
Media Service Management  
and Orchestration

A small inset network diagram showing a red path and a green path through a network of nodes.

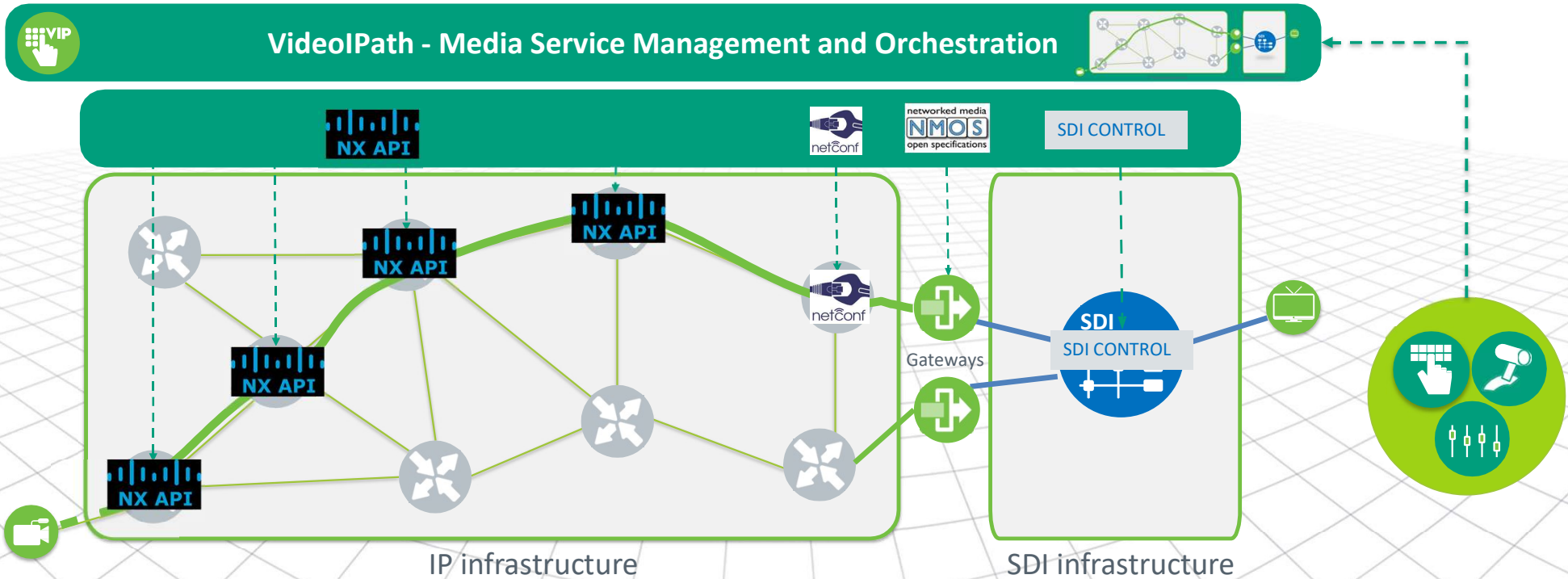
# SDN-based routing redundancy

- Ensuring diverse paths for dual routes



# Full end-to-end control in mixed SDI/IP environments

- Easy migration from baseband to IP





# VideoIPath Advantages

- **Scalable and flexible**

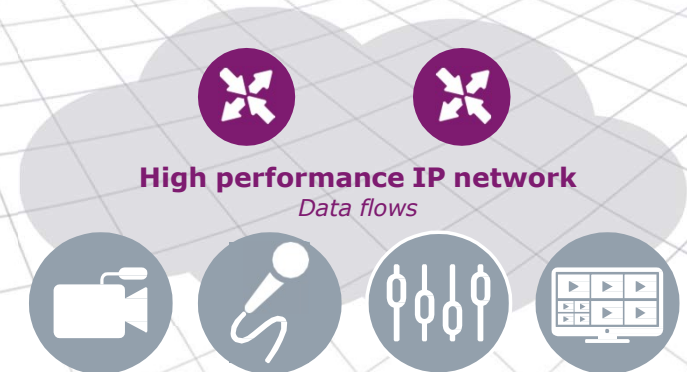
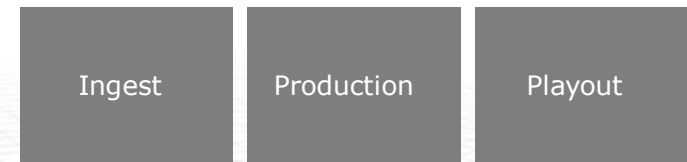
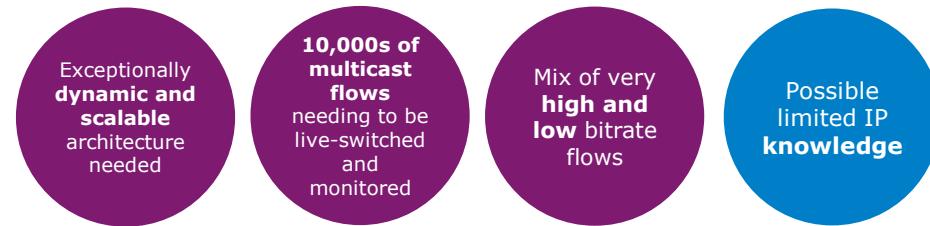
- Used in both LAN's and WAN's
- Supporting all types of network topologies

- **Cost-effective**

- Optimized utilization of network resources
- Service-aware load balancing of traffic
- Efficient control of shared resources

- **Reliable and Secure**

- Automatic calculation of diverse paths
- Built-in access control

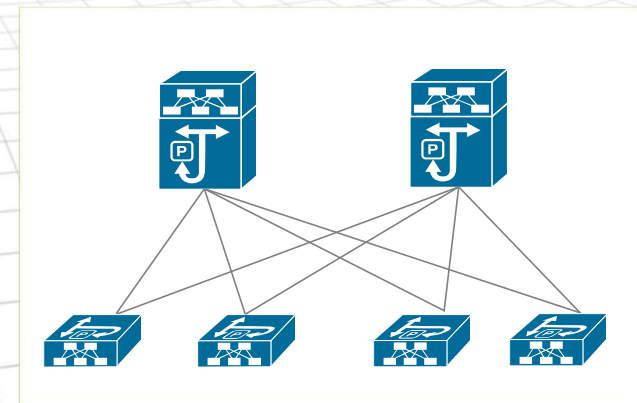


# Network Operation Simplification with DCNM

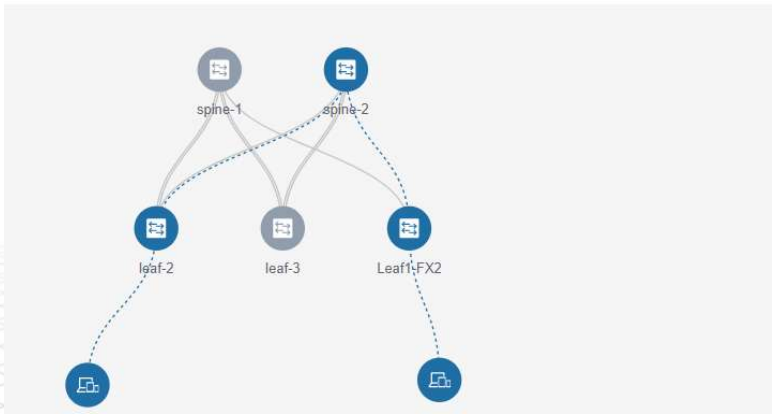
Customers  
have limited IP  
knowledge

## Operational Simplification

- Network configuration
- Link utilization (interface stats)
- Software upgrade
- Topology discovery
- Flow path discovery
- Power-on auto-provisioning



# Flow Visualization on DCNM



STARTING NODE	DESTINATION NODE
GVN1	leaf-2 Ethernet1/1
leaf-2 Ethernet1/52	spine-2 Ethernet1/30
spine-2 Ethernet1/1	Leaf1-FX2 Ethernet1/50
Leaf1-FX2 Ethernet1/52	Imagine

Data Center Network Manager

Media Controller / Flow / Flow Status

Telemetry Switch Sync Status: 4/4

Active Inactive Sender Only Receiver Only

Active Flow Status

Vrf	Multicast IP	Flow Alias	Policed	Sender	Receiver	Bandwidth	Sender Switch	Sender Interface	Receiver Switch	Receiver Interface	QoS/DSCP	Flow
default	239.0.1.10		YES	Embronix_Encap_Tx	Nevion_Virtuoso	1.5 gb/s	Leaf2	Ethernet1/3	Leaf2	Ethernet1/24	Best Effort	acti
default	239.101.16...	Imagine_TX	YES	Imagine_SNP	GVNode1	1.5 gb/s	Leaf1	Ethernet1/53	Leaf1	Ethernet1/5	Best Effort	acti
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default	239.20.13.1	Sony_IPCa...	YES	Nevion_Virtuoso	Imagine_SNP	1.5 gb/s	Leaf2	Ethernet1/24	Leaf1	Ethernet1/53	Best Effort	acti

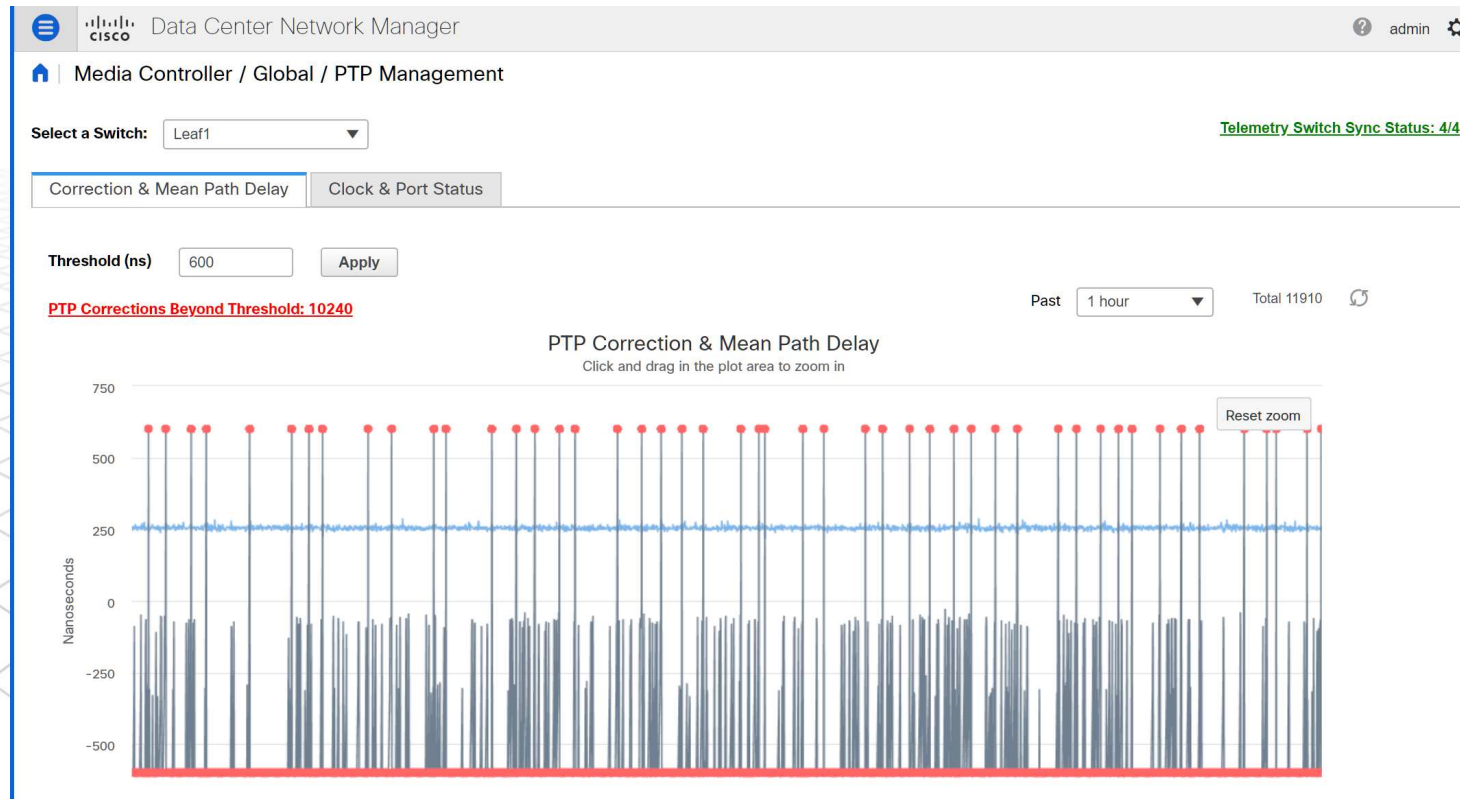
Showing flow for:  
MultiCast IP: 239.20.13.1(Sony\_IPCamera)  
Nevion\_Virtuoso -> Imagine\_SNP (The data refers to sender leaf when sender starts broadcasting. Please see the receiver start time in flow status table to find when receiver started getting data)



# PTP Visualization on DCNM



**PTP** is mission critical



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The logo for SRG SSR, featuring the text "SRG SSR" in white, bold, sans-serif font on a red rectangular background.

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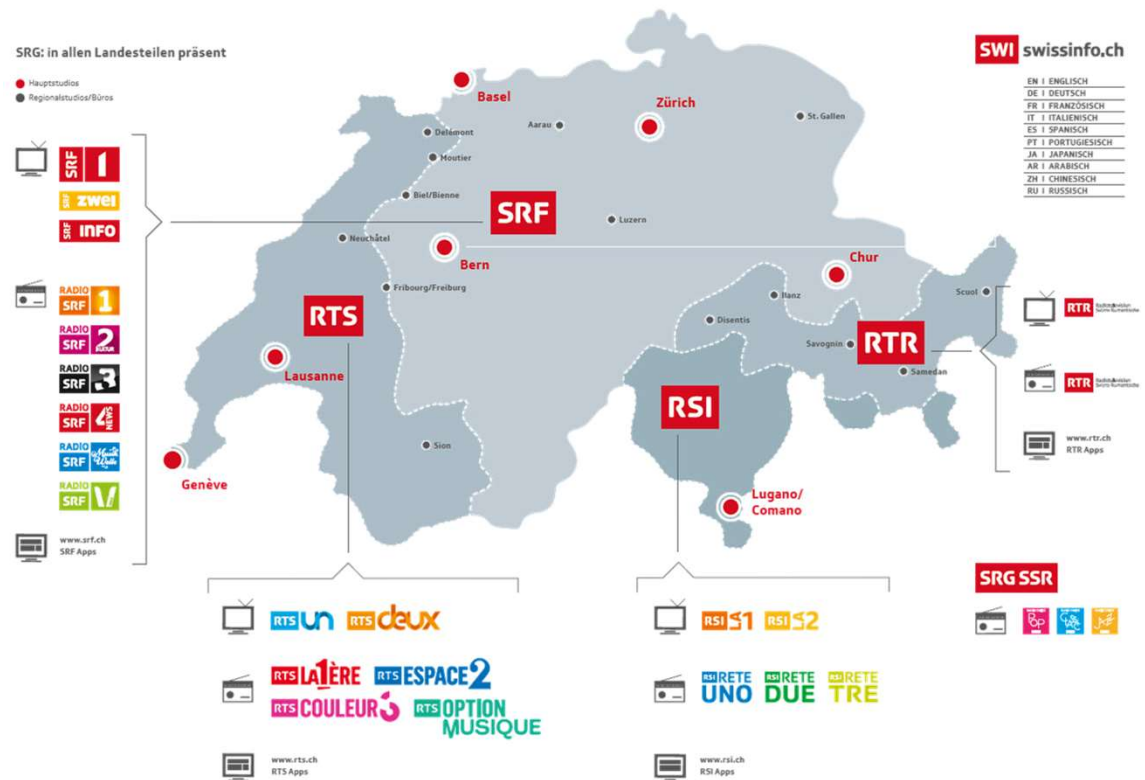


# ORION

Jochen Prediger

# SRG SSR at a glance

- SRG SSR is committed to **public service**. Its remit is based on the Federal Constitution, the **Radio and Television Act (RTVA)**, and its **charter**.
- 5 Enterprise Units with main and regional locations
- 16 radio & 7 television channels
- Websites and teletext services for 4 language regions
- About 6700 employees (around 5300 full time positions)
- Annual sales of around 1.5 billion Swiss francs (78% license fee /22% commercial)





# Project ORION

Main TV / Radio Studios & Data-  
/ Playout Centre



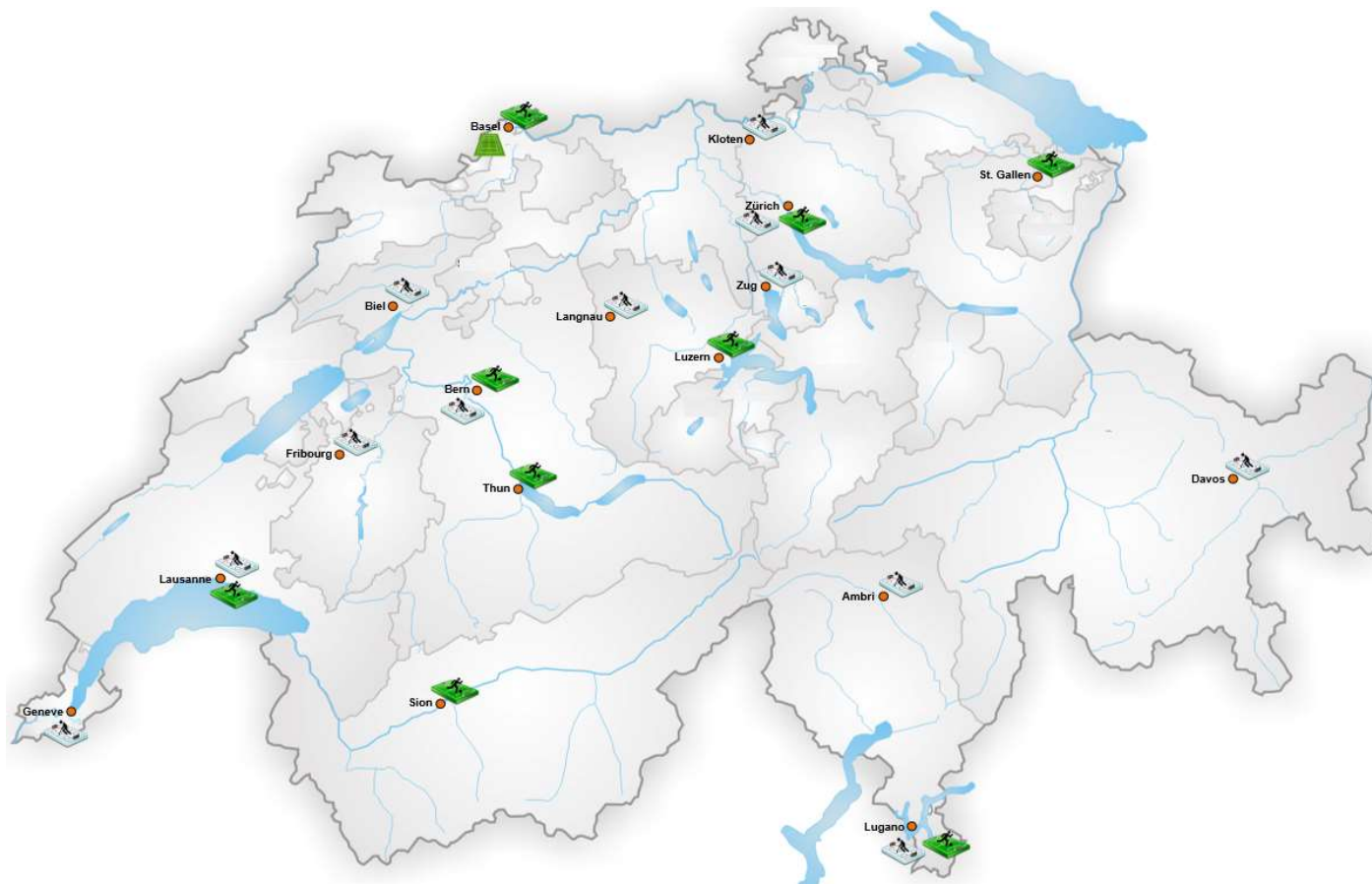
# Project ORION

Regional TV / Radio Studios & Offices



# Project ORION

Soccer & Ice Hockey  
Arenas



# Project ORION

“core networks” connect  
55 SRG locations within  
Switzerland



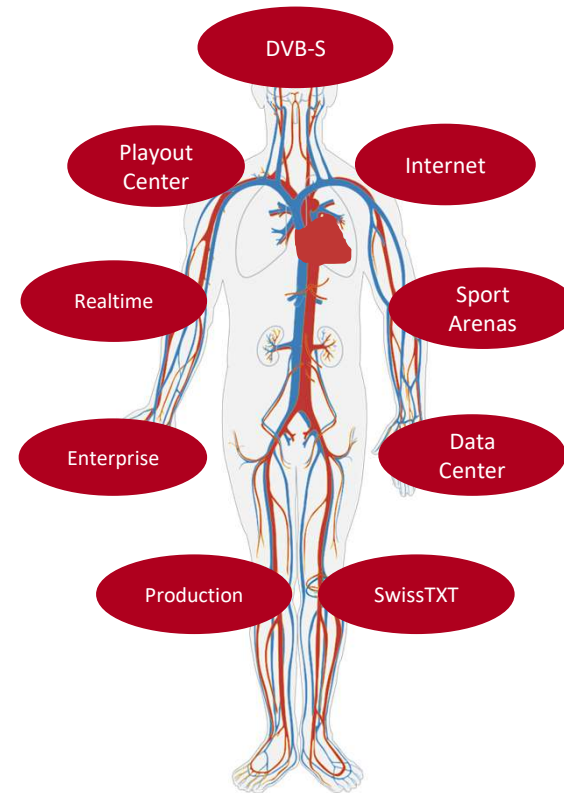
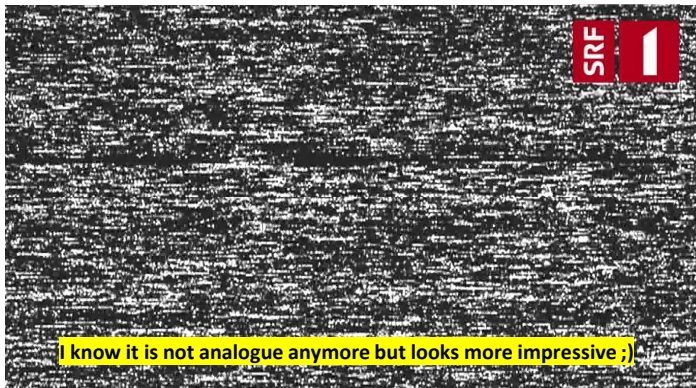
# Project ORION

The core networks are the SRG backbone

*They connect different types of locations*

*& fulfil different types of service*

If the backbone is not working  
the impacts could be immense



# Project ORION

The aim of ORION is to renew the AUDIO / VIDEO & DATA services of the existing core networks that have reached the end of their life cycle.



- Sunrise Backbone
- UPC (Samba) Backbone
- Corporate Core Network (CCN)

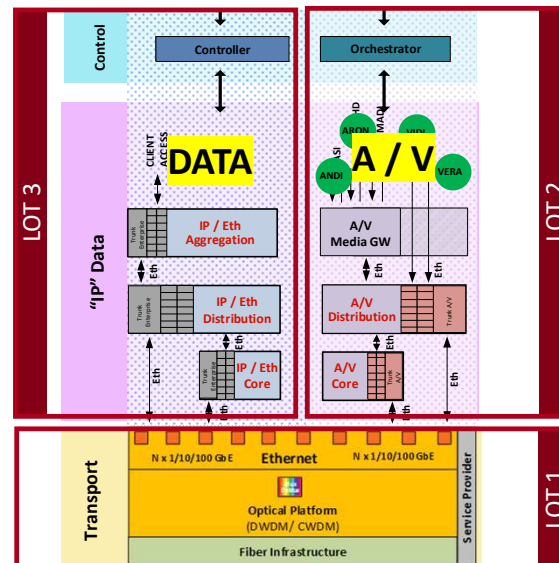
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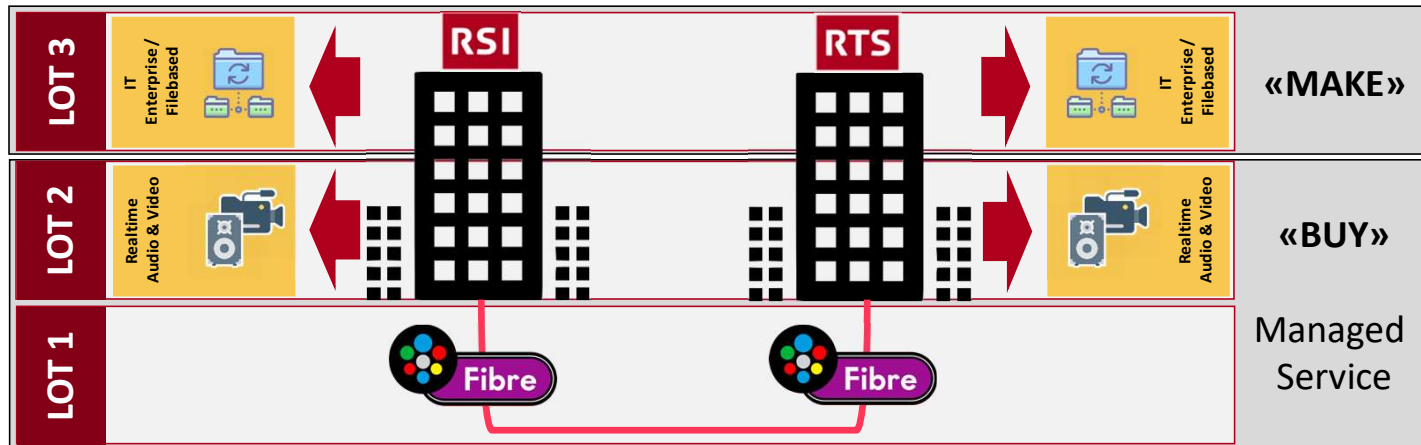
- Cost saving solution
- Single provider strategy (managed service for A/V)
- Future proof IP solution based on SMPTE 2110
  - Connecting locations together – “easy” transition from legacy to IP
  - Signal type agnostic
  - Implementing new workflows in a short time

# Project ORION

One Optical Backbone but **separated** networks for Realtime A/V & Data (CCN)



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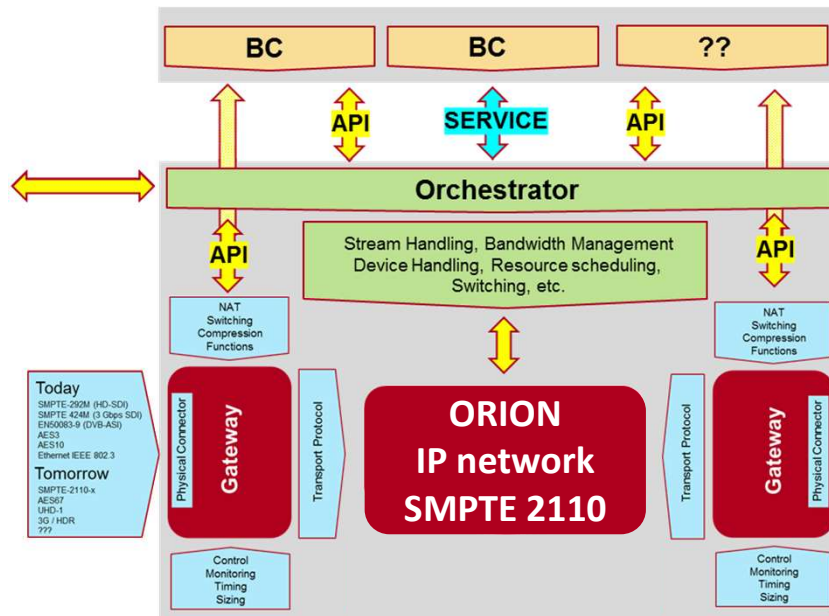




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Audio / Video



4. Control  
= Operational Layer



1. Network  
= Transport layer



2. Gateway  
= Boundary between LAN & WAN

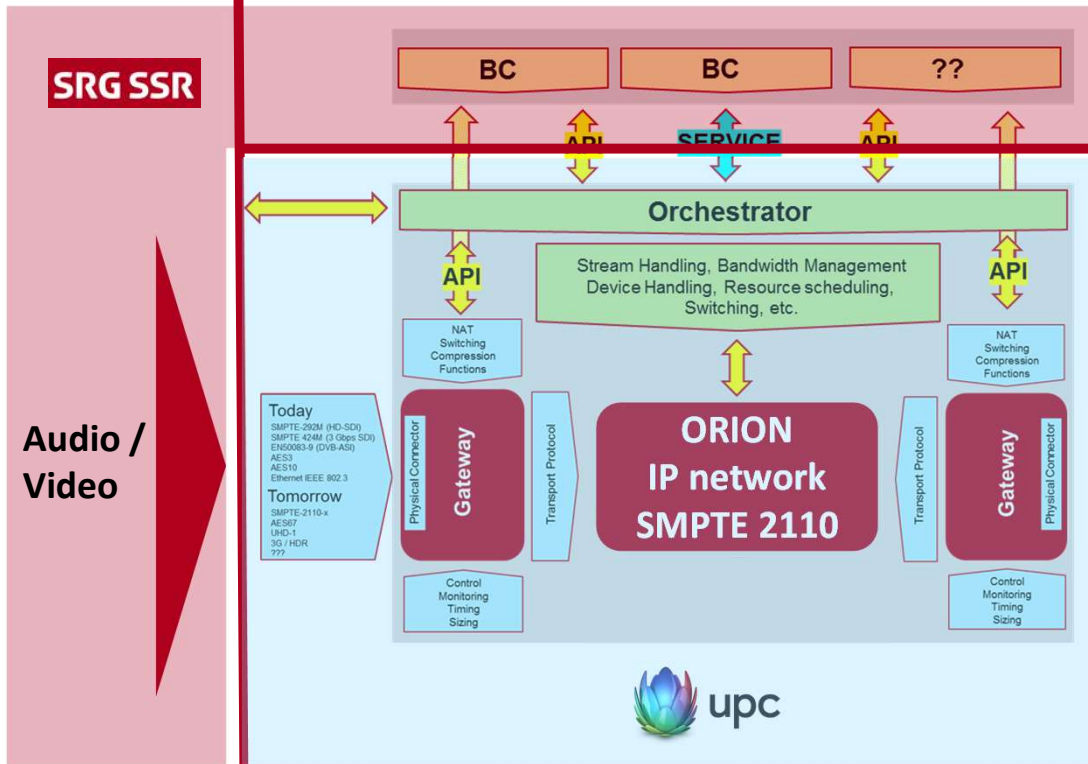


3. Orchestrator  
= Management & Control

ORION – LOT 2

SDI  
AES3  
AES10  
Etc.

SAP: Service Access Point



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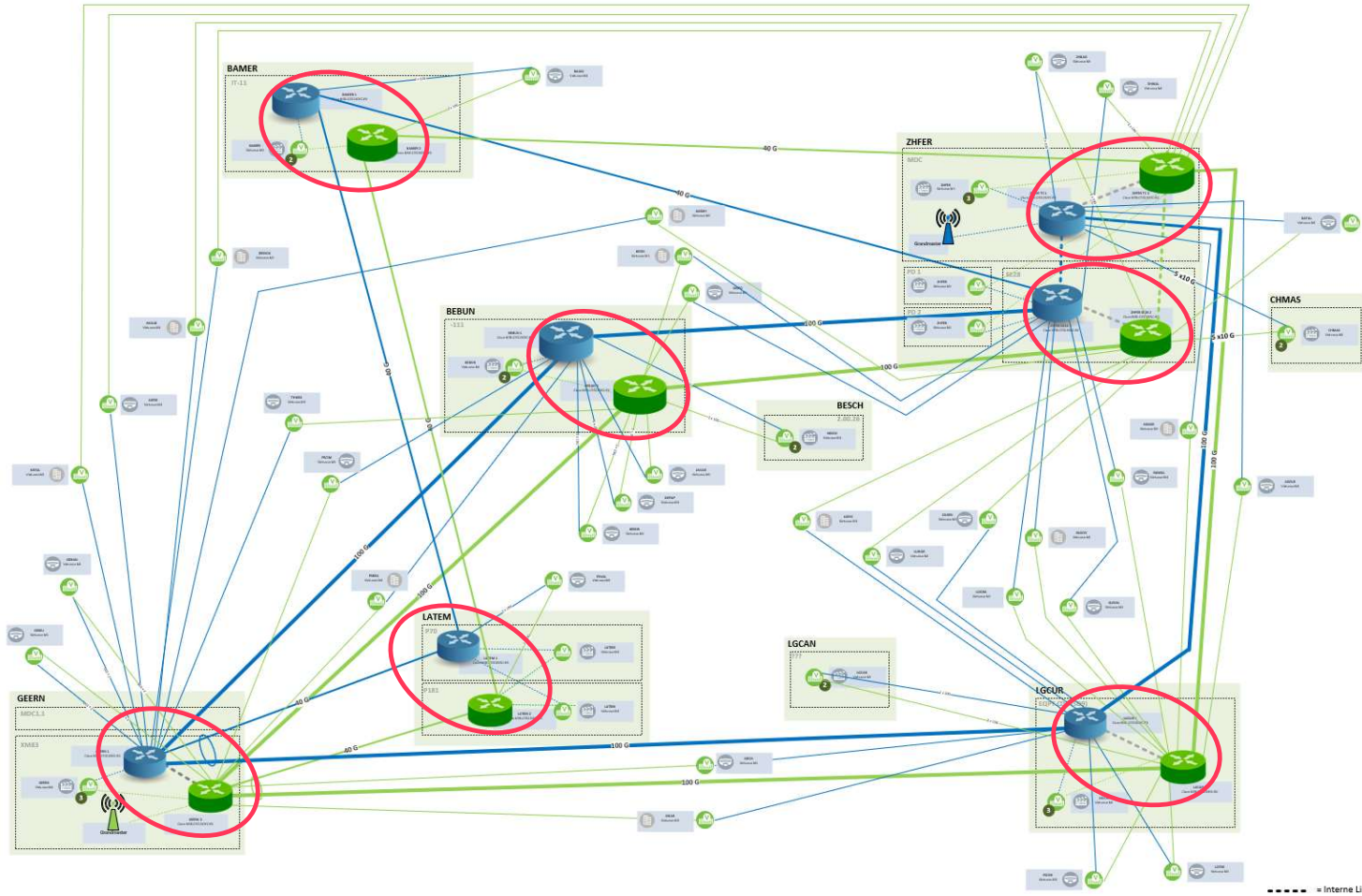


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**ORION**  
IP network  
SMPTE 2110



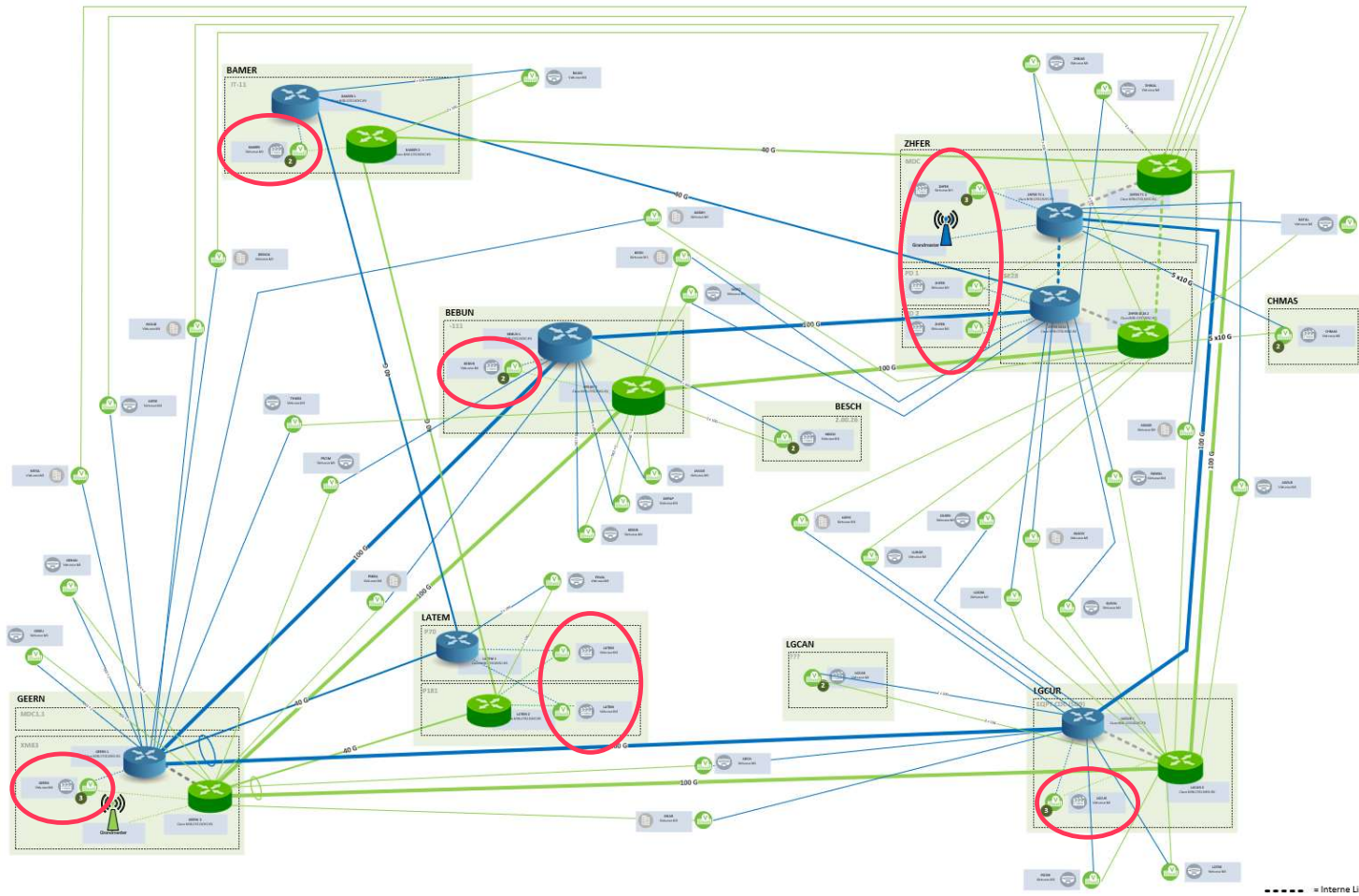
Nexus Serie 9000



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SDI <-> 2110  
Gateway

neviON  
virtuoso

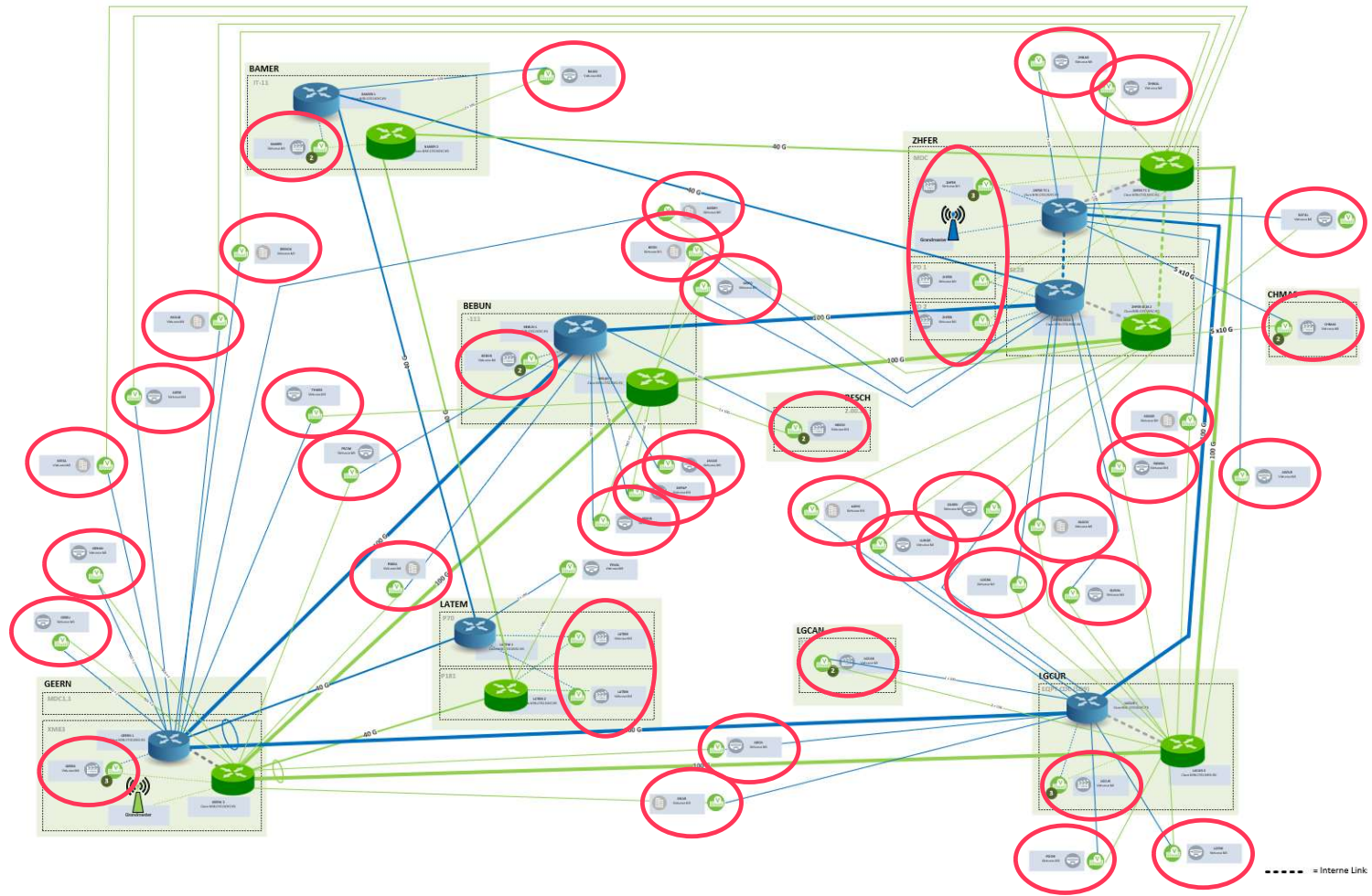


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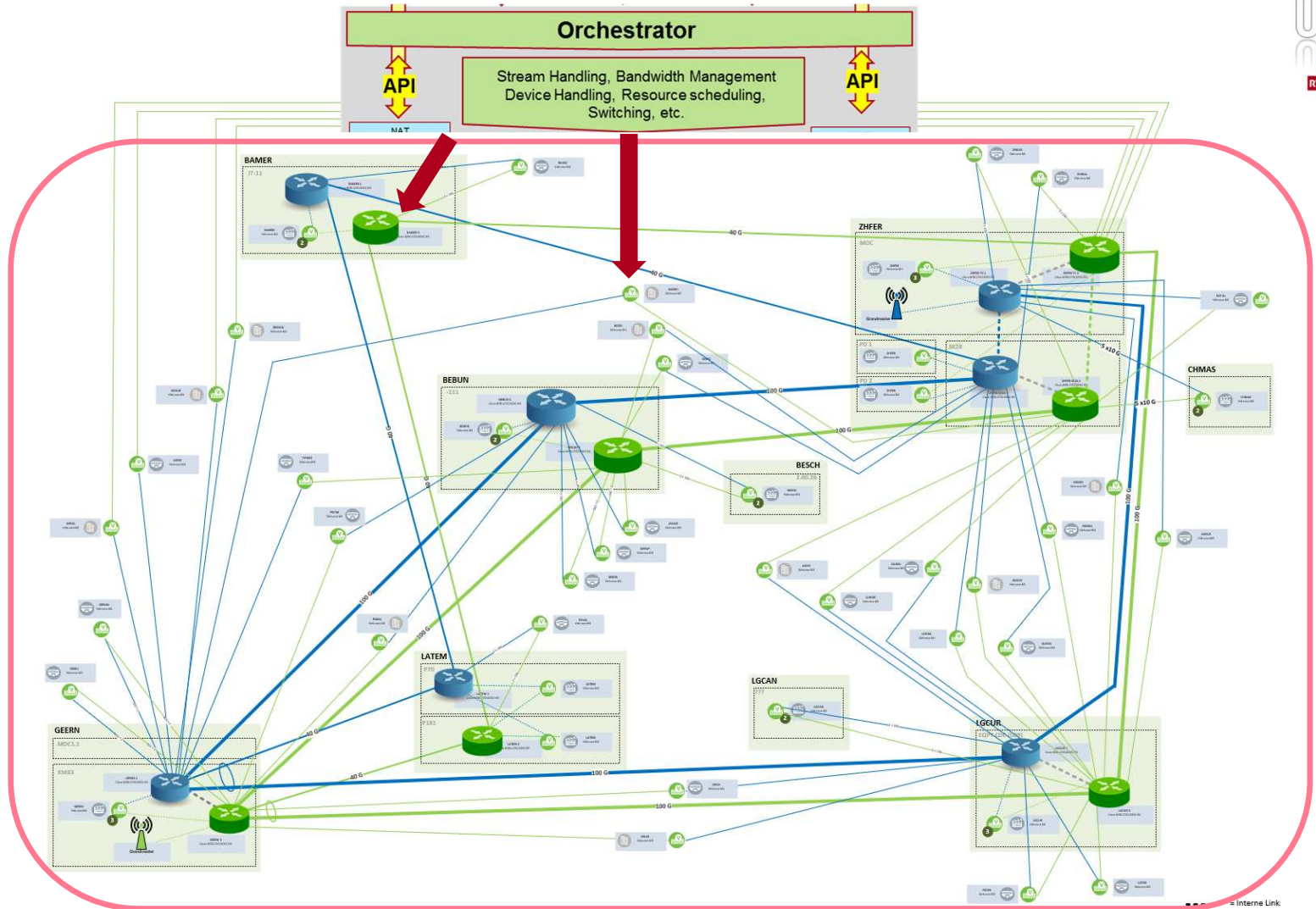


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**RSI RTR RTS SRF SWI**

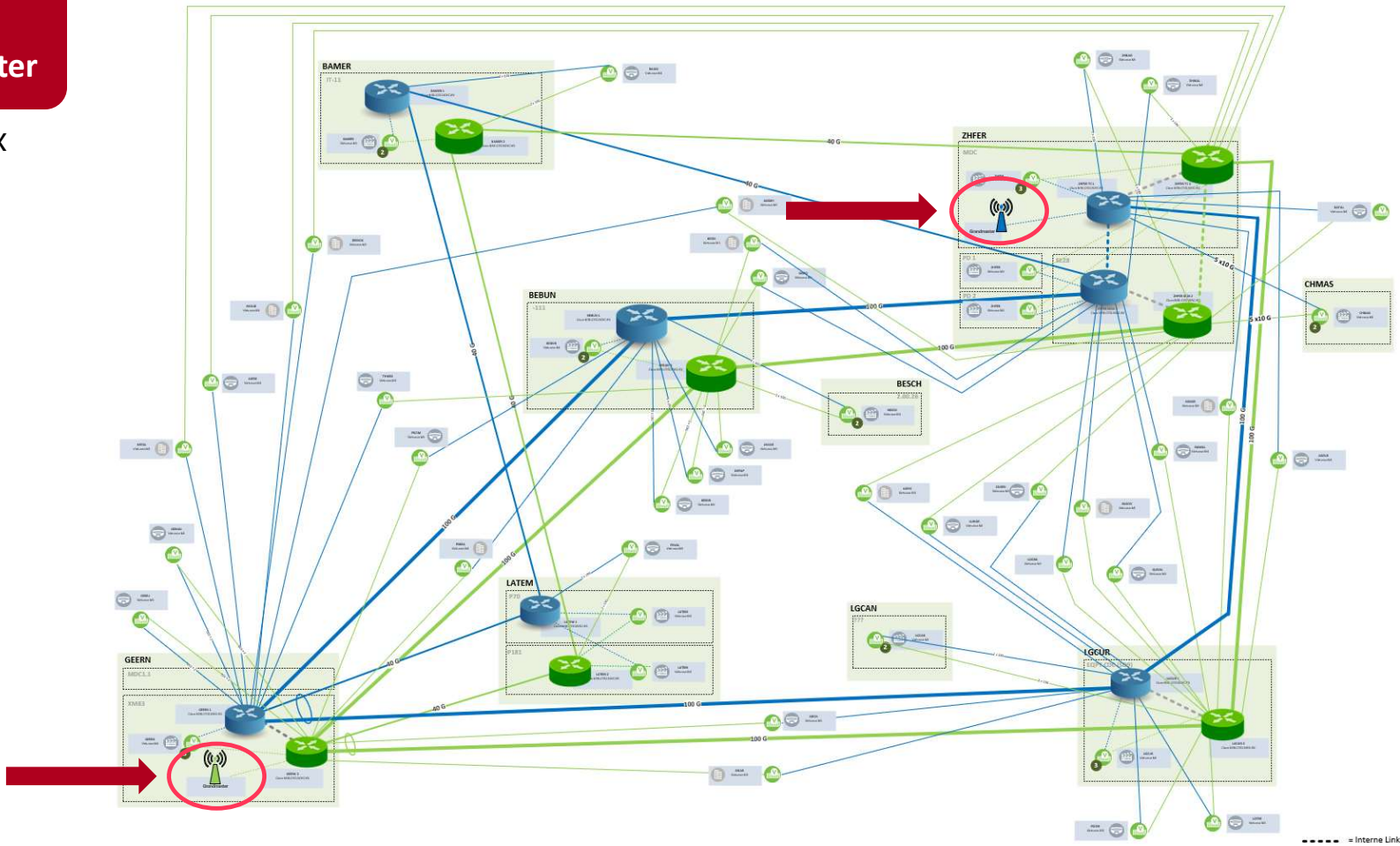
**SDN  
Orchestration**

**neviON  
VideoPath**



**PTP  
Grandmaster**

Tektronix





# SRG - ORION

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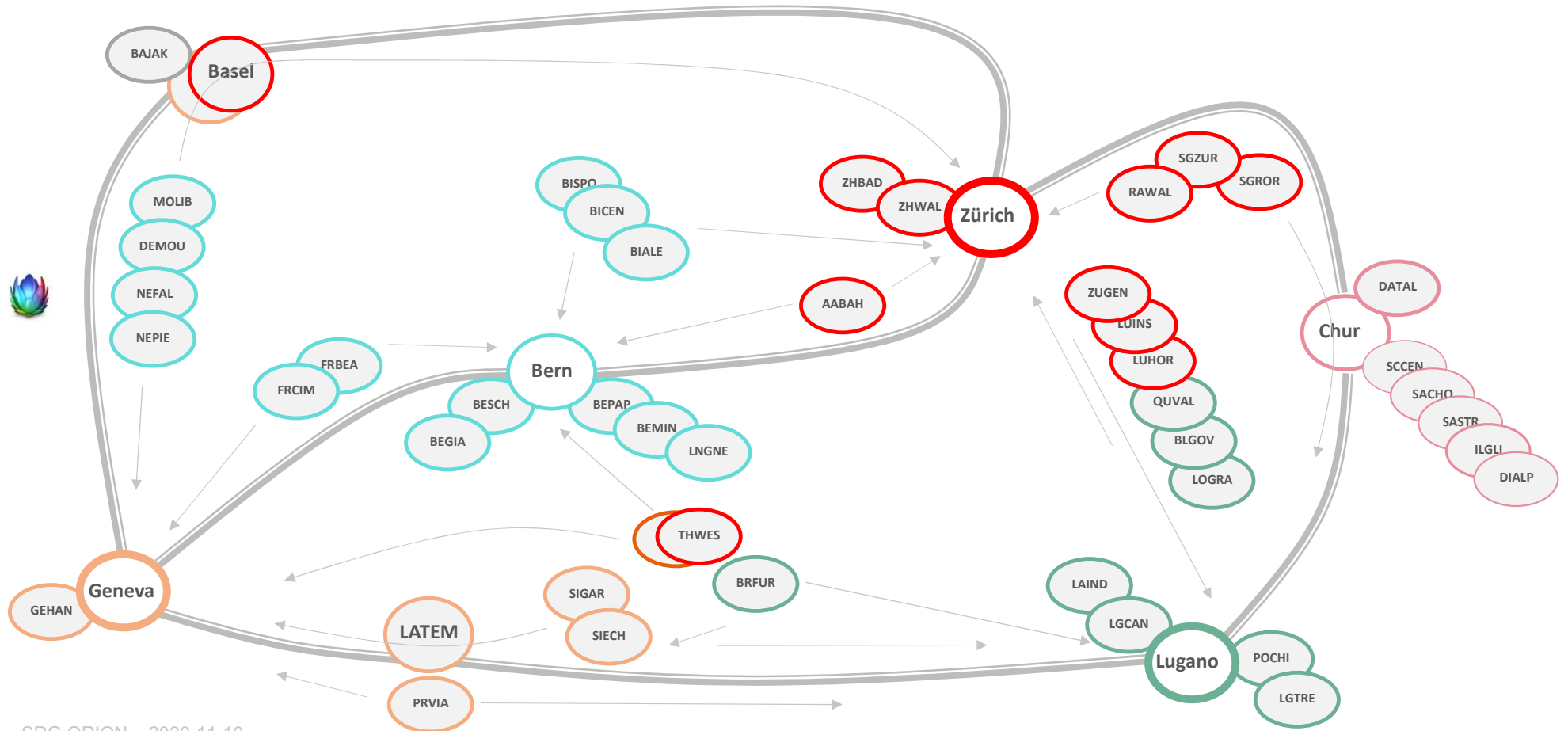


- 3 Main locations (200Gbps)
  - up to 40 3G-SDI signals (In & Out)
- 12 Regional locations (160Gbps / 20Gbps)
- 21 Stadiums (20Gbps)

- **Services:**
  - Video 3G-SDI (2110-20/30/40)
  - Audio AES3/AES10 (2110-31)
  - Ethernet 1/10/100G

# REGIONS AND CONNECTIVITY REQUIREMENT

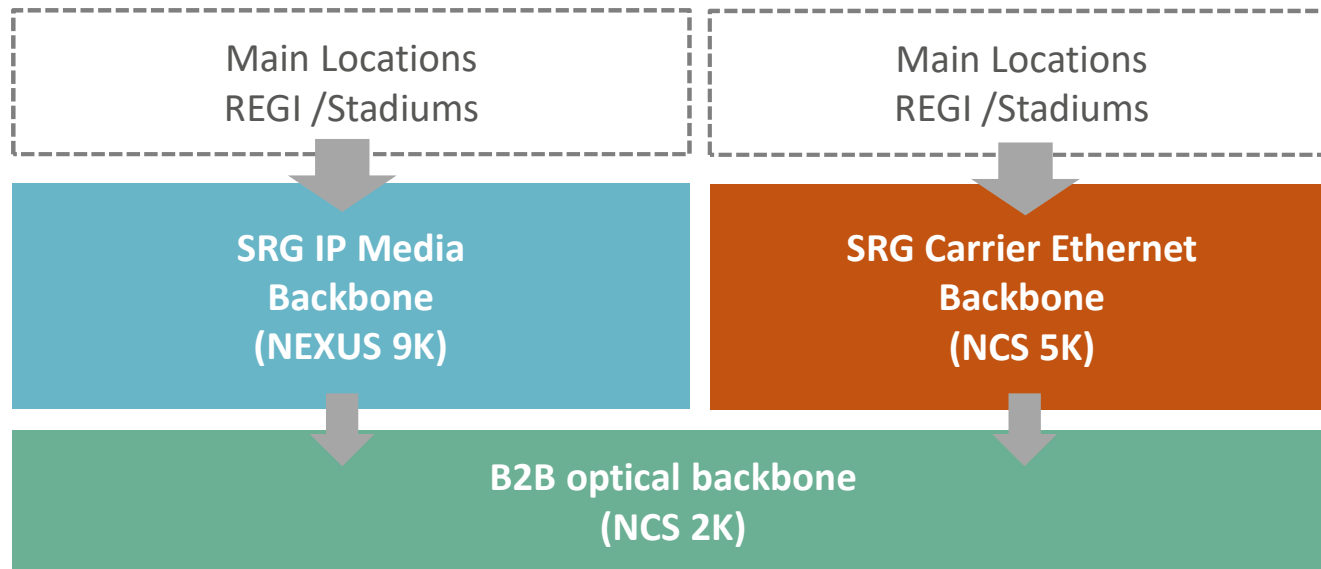
Regional sites and stadium require are protected path to the main location



# SERVICE / NETWORK CONCEPT



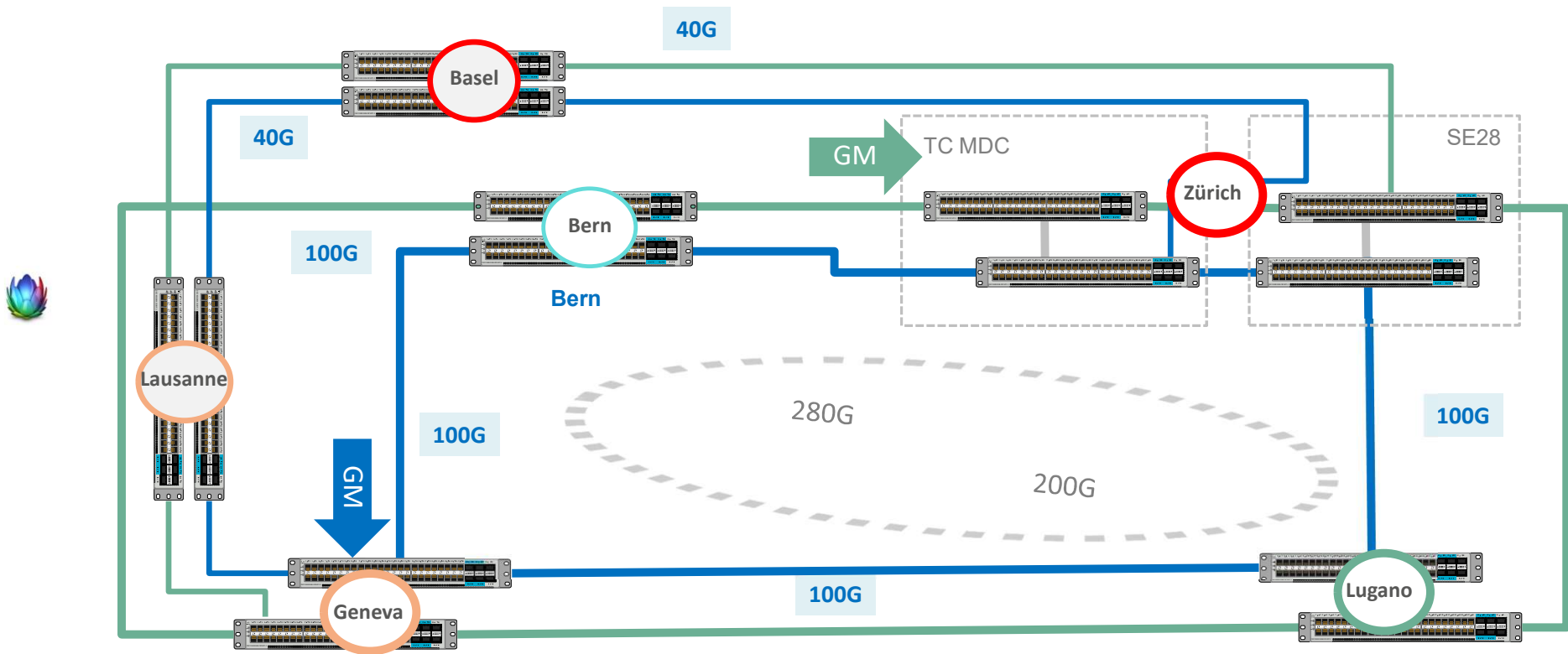
dynamic resource reservation



static resource reservation

# IP/MEDIA NETWORK & CLOCK DESIGN

NEXUS 9K as Boundary Clocks (BCs)

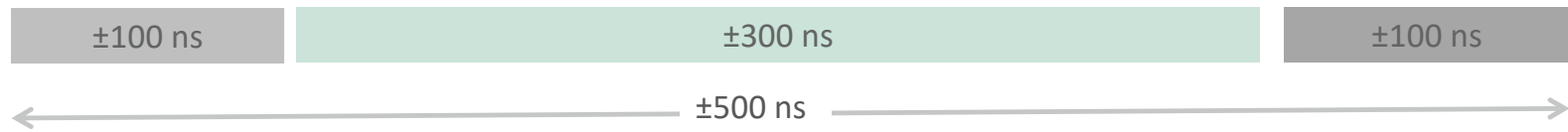


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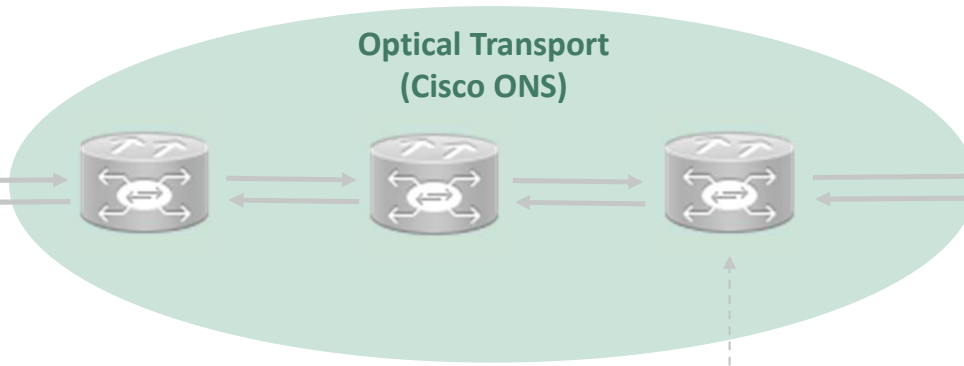
- **PTP**
  - Optical transport networks
    - DCF
    - MuxPonders
- **IP/media**
  - Multicast & 2110 Domains



# CHALLENGES

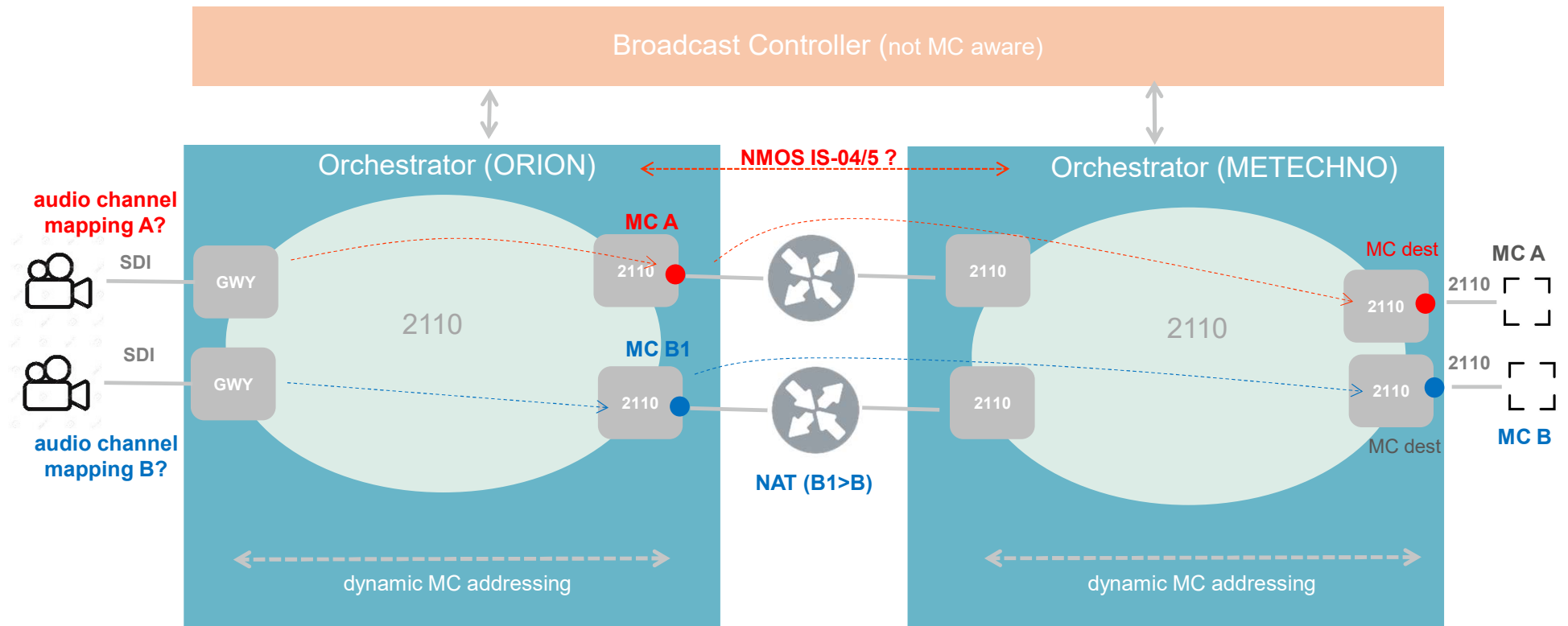


Grand Master  
+/- 5ppm



Optical wide area transport with DCF  
requires asymmetrical offset correction  
on BC and media gateways

# CHALLENGES



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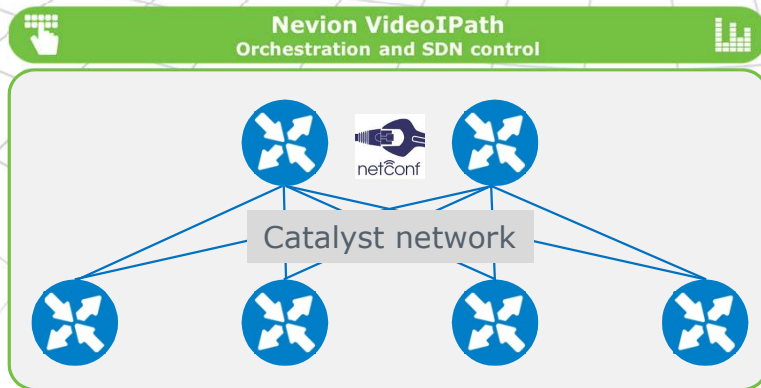
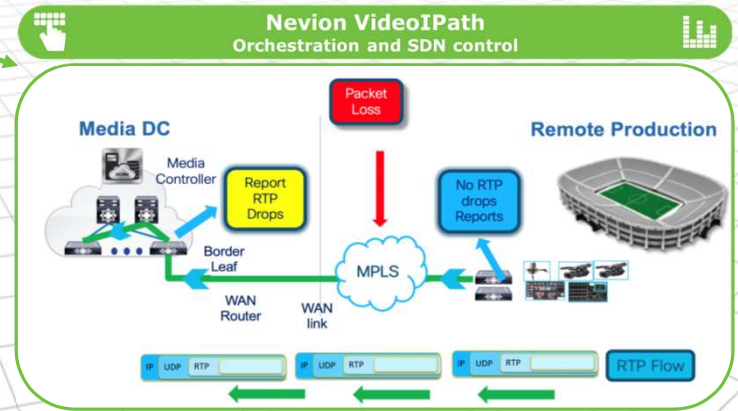
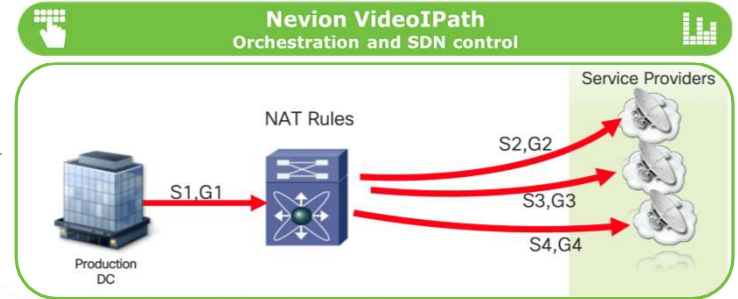
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# What's next?

- SDN Controlled NAT - Ingress/Egress
- Media Flow Analytics with RTP flow monitoring
- Integration of Cisco's Catalyst Switches



# Cisco / Nevion – Stronger together!



IP network expertise



Broadcast network expertise



IP network management



Broadcast-centric orchestration



High-performance switches



Software defined media node (optional)



THANK YOU!

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