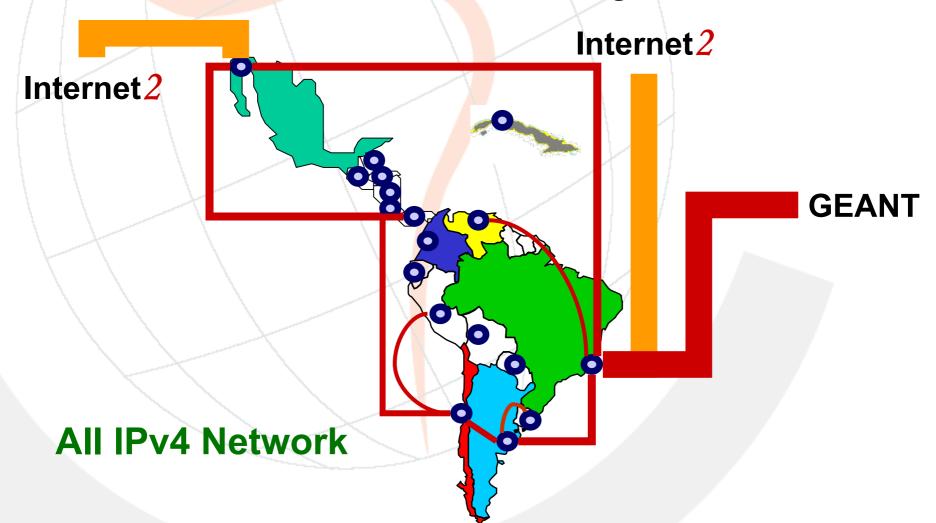


Hybrid Networking in Latin America

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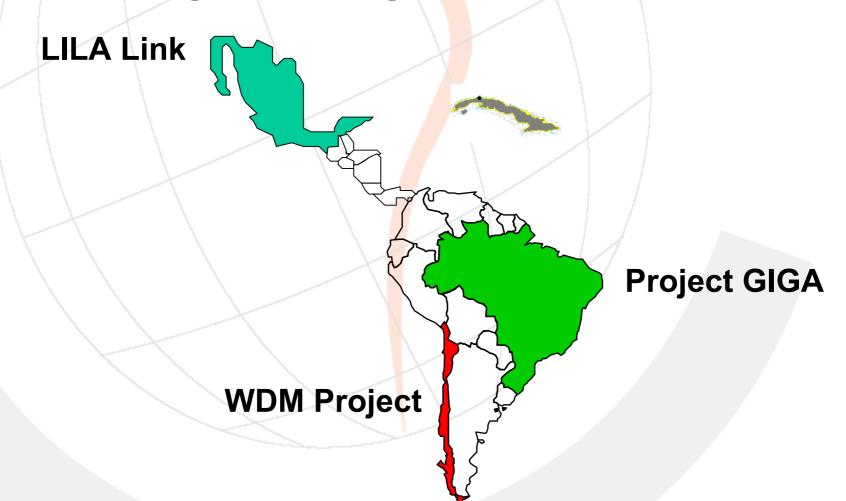


Background on Telecom Operators in LA

- Most operator networks in Latin America are still using PDH or SDH/SONET for their production networks
- In few countries: Argentina, Brasil, Chile, Mexico, there exists a DWDM network installed to provide services
- No "lambda" services available
- Regulations do not allow anyone to operate its own network in most countries



Optical Experiences in LA





GIGA Testbed Network - objectives

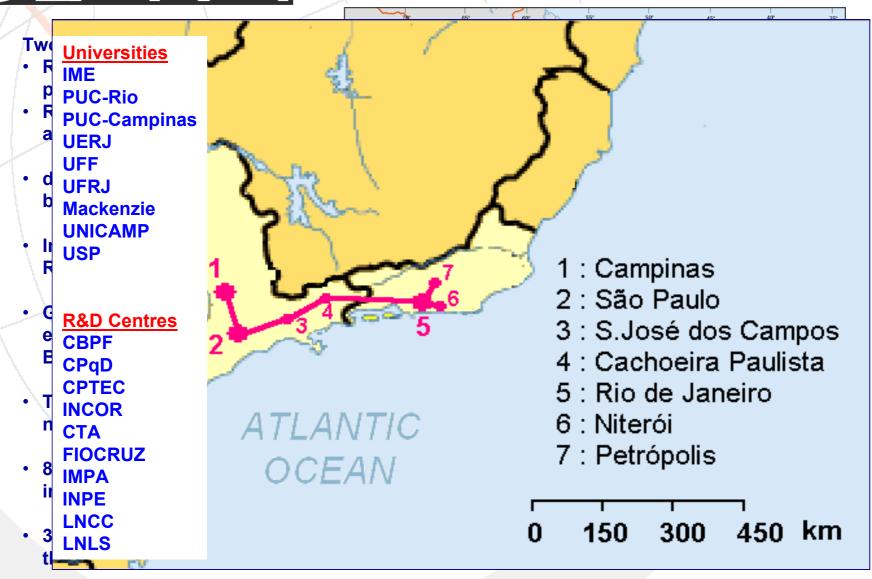
- explore user control of optical fibre infrastructure
 - interconnect 20 academic R&D centres in S.E. Brazil
 - use of IP/WDM with Ethernet framing
- provide Networking Research Testbed (NRT) for optical and IP network development
- provide Experimental Infrastructure Network (EIN) for development and demonstration of applications

(NRT and EIN are terms defined by NSF in 2002)

Network was inaugurated in May 2004

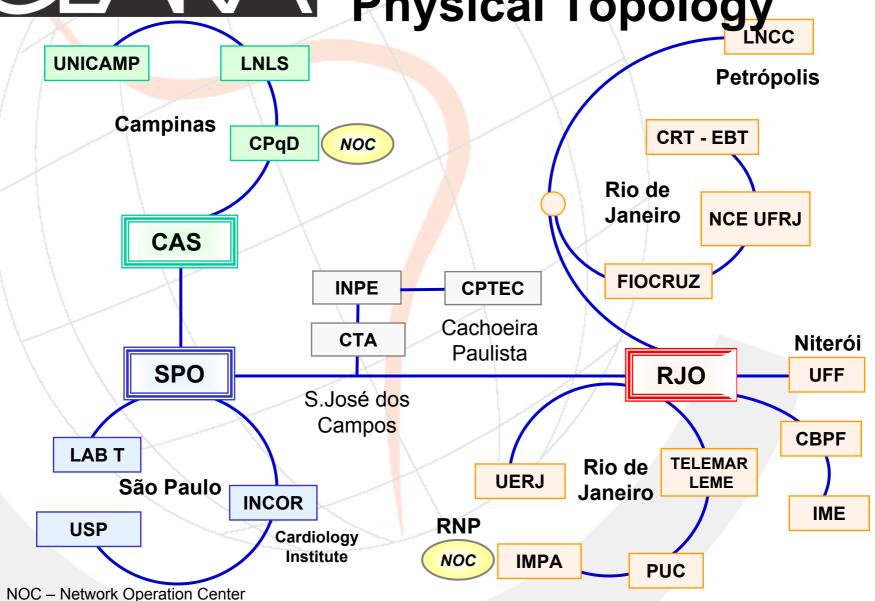
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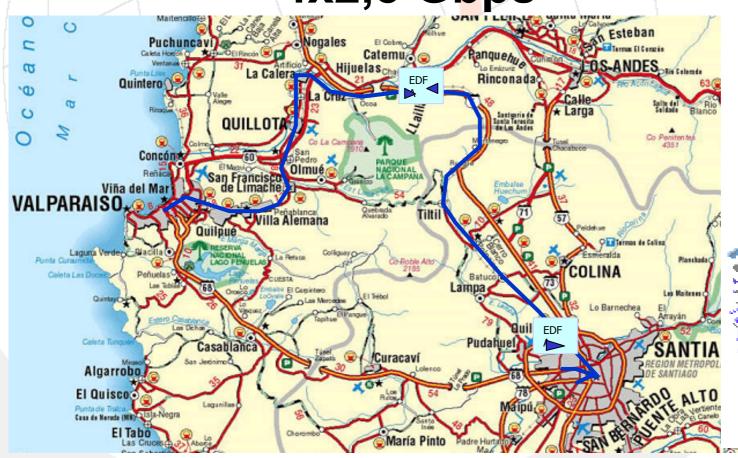


GIGA Network:
Physical Topology



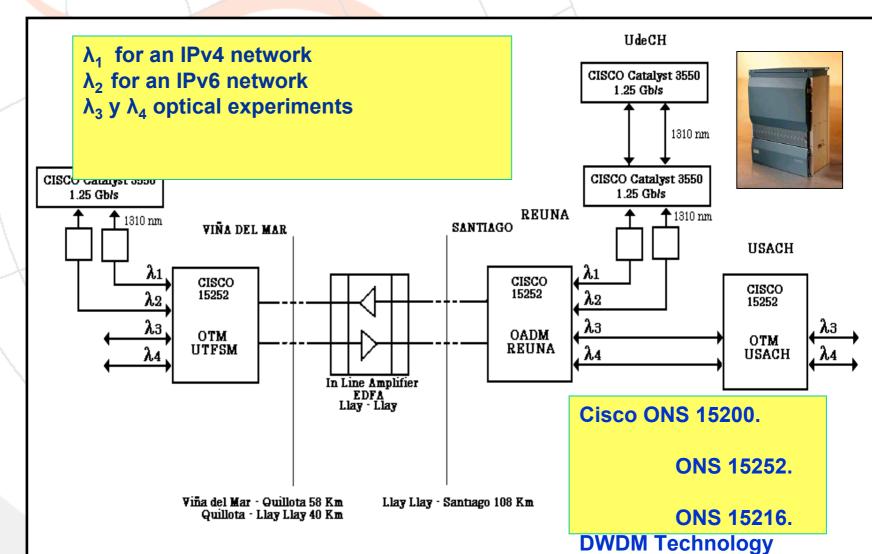


REUNA's WDM Project: 4x2,5 Gbps





Use of the λ's





Phases of G-REUNA

- Phase I: Prototipe March 2002-July 2003
 - Funded by FONDEF-Manquehue Net-ChileSat-Cisco
- Phase II: First Part of Backbone August 2003-December 2003
 - Funding FONDEF Telecom Operator
- Phase III: Full Backbone Deployment January 2005-July 2005
 - Funding MECESup Telecom Operator
 - Under discussion 2 λ 's under consideration, one for IP services, the other for experimentation.

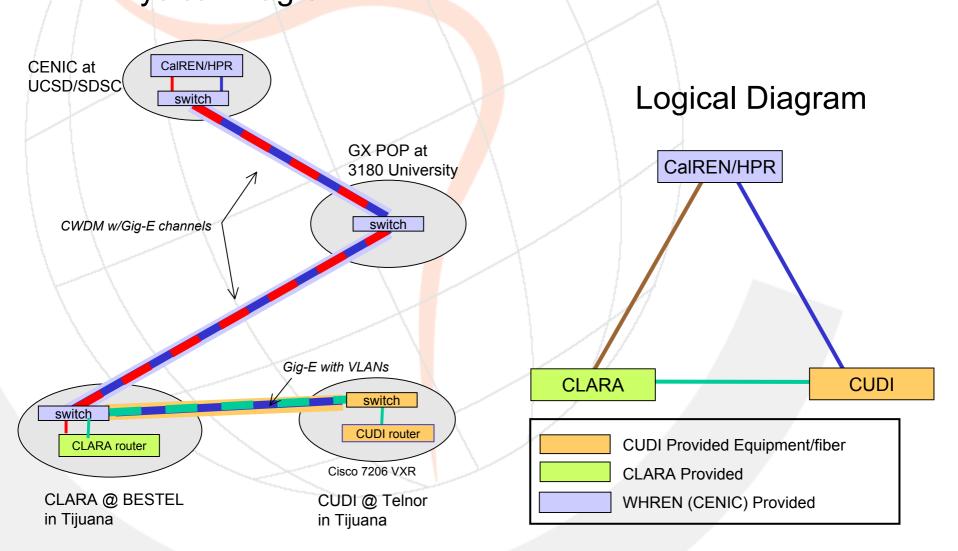


The Tijuana-San Diego LILA Link





Tijuana-San Diego RedCLARA-CENIC Optical Connection





Oportunities

- Large infrastructure projects:
 - Power lines interconnection accross borders
 - Gas pipes in deployment
 - New roads
- IADB Promoted IIRSA Initiative (Integration of Regional Infrastructure accross South America)
- Agreements have been reached in Brasil
- Argentina-Chile fiber is currently being negotiated by RETINA-REUNA-CLARA
- Dark fiber is an oportunity to strengthen the RedCLARA backbone
- Regulatory issues will be hard to solve in some countries