



Q2S-Centre for Quantifiable Quality of
Service in Communication Systems
Centre of Excellence

at

NTNU-Norwegian University of Science and
Technology

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Outline of the talk

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Centre of Excellence
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NTNU facts



- Situated in Trondheim, Norway
- Started with NTH in 1910, NTNU established in 1996
- 7 faculties, 3 CoEs, and 53 departments
- 40 000 applicants each year, 5 500 of these admitted
- 20 000 registered students
- 2 500 degrees awarded each year
- 200 PhD degrees awarded each year
- Budget NOK 2.8 billion (EUR 340 million)

Gløshaugen Campus



The Centre of Excellence scheme

The Research Council of Norway initiated a Centres of Excellence (CoE) scheme, start-up 2003

The intention is to bring more researchers and research groups up to a high international standard. The centres will be devoted to long-term, basic research.

At present time there are 13 CoE in Norway
(<http://www.forskningsradet.no>)

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Objectives

- The Centre will deal with Quality of Service (QoS) issues in heterogeneous, multilayered networks where packet switching technology is employed
- By services is meant traditional teleservices along with multimedia, messaging, web and information services, as well as location and content aware services

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Objectives – cont.

- The Centre will study principles and mechanisms, methods and technical solutions and assess properties and performance by means of experiments and models
- The Centre will work within the areas multimedia signal processing, dependability, traffic and security as applied to multiparty communication.



Key Figures for Q2S

Total yearly budget

- MNOK 30 (EUR 4.1 million)

Personnel

Today approx. 35 persons

- 6 professors
- 18 doctoral students
- 9 postdocs
- 1 visiting professors/scholars
- support personnel

Research project areas

- Audio over IP Networks
- Multimedia over IP networks
- Interdomain and Overlay Networks
- Intradomain networks
- Trustworthy Multiparty Interactions in Dynamic Networking Environments

Trustworthy Multiparty Interactions in Dynamic Networking Environments - I



Quantitatively assess whether an interaction among two parties can be established and completed with sufficient trustworthiness wrt availability, reliability, integrity and confidentiality. Study mechanisms and assess them.

Interesting problems

- Development of dependability models and analysis of middleware
- Assessment of performance aspects of multicast protocols to ensure reliable, atomic or causal broadcast
- Development of models for (multicast) communication in ad-hoc and hybrid access and transport networks

Trustworthy Multiparty Interactions in Dynamic Networking Environments - II

- Development of analysis mechanisms for sustainable interactions in highly unreliable environments
- Security mechanisms in dynamic environments with non-trusted parties, probabilistic assessment of them
- Models for quantitatively negotiable security policies
- Models for trust relationships in dynamic environments

Labs

Audio lab

Video lab

Networking lab

- Nortel access routers
- Agilent protocol monitors
- Emprix network emulator
- simulators

Lab/testbeds

- routers
- live traffic
- traffic generators
- measurement tools

Dept. of Electronics
and Telecomm.

Dept. of Telematics

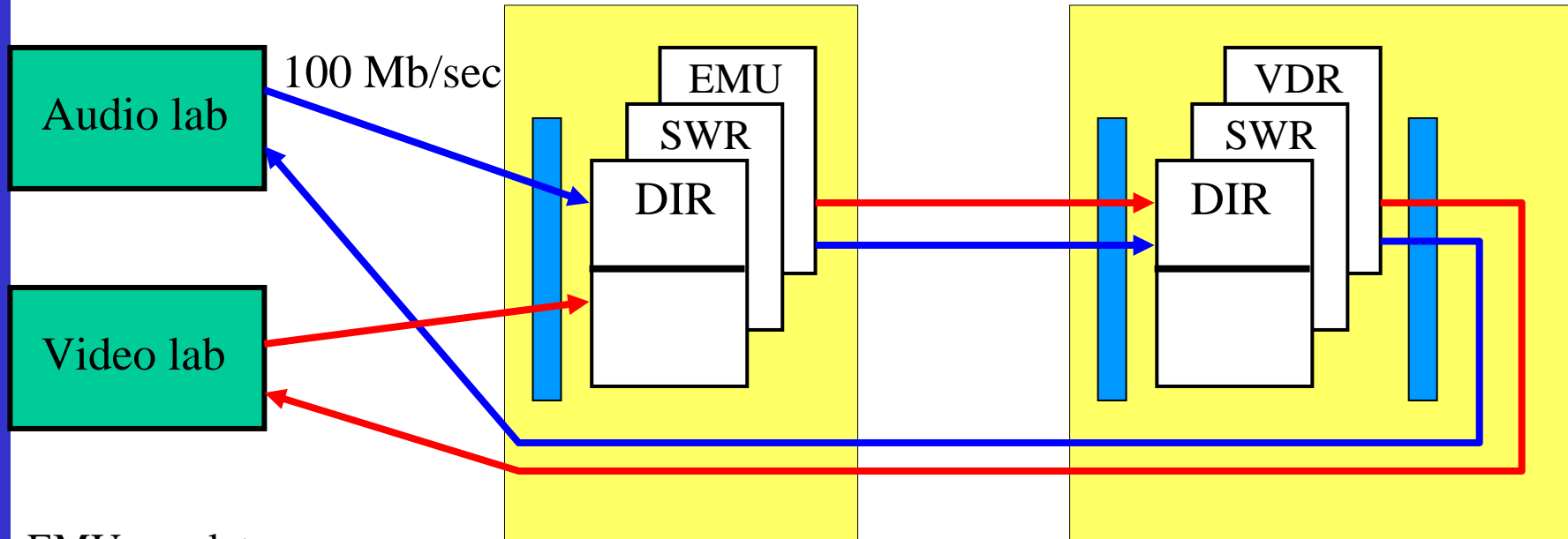
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Labs for traffic studies

Networking lab
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Multimedia lab

Networking lab



EMU-emulator

SWR-software router

DIR-direct connection

VDR-vendor routers



Instrumentation for measurements, registration
and storing of packets

International collaboration

- Design and Engineering of the Next Generation Internet (EuroNgi), a Network of Excellence
- COST 276 “Information and Knowledge Management for Integrated Media Communication”
- COST 290 "Traffic and QoS Management in Wireless Multimedia Networks"
- SCAMPI - Scalable monitoring tools for the Internet

EuroNgi



Joint Research Activities for Q2S

- WP.JRA.1.1 Horizontal and Vertical Integration of Fixed and Mobile Networks
- WP.JRA.2.1 Mechanisms and protocols for controlled bandwidth sharing
- WP.JRA.2.2 Traffic management in a multi-provider context
- WP.JRA.2.3 Traffic engineering for a cost effective network
- WP.JRA.2.4 QoS in multi-service wireless networks
- WP.JRA.3.3 Study of Methods for Achieving Network Resilience/Robustness
- WP.JRA.5.1 IP traffic characterization, measurements and statistical methods
- WP. JRA.6.3 Creation of trust by advanced security concepts