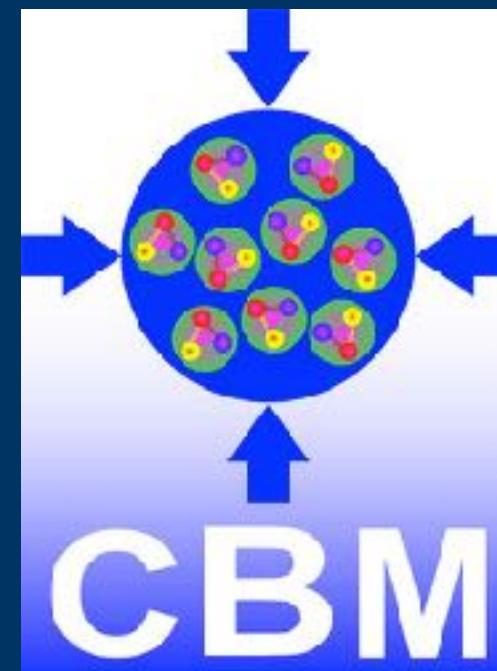




Analysis at FAIR / GSI

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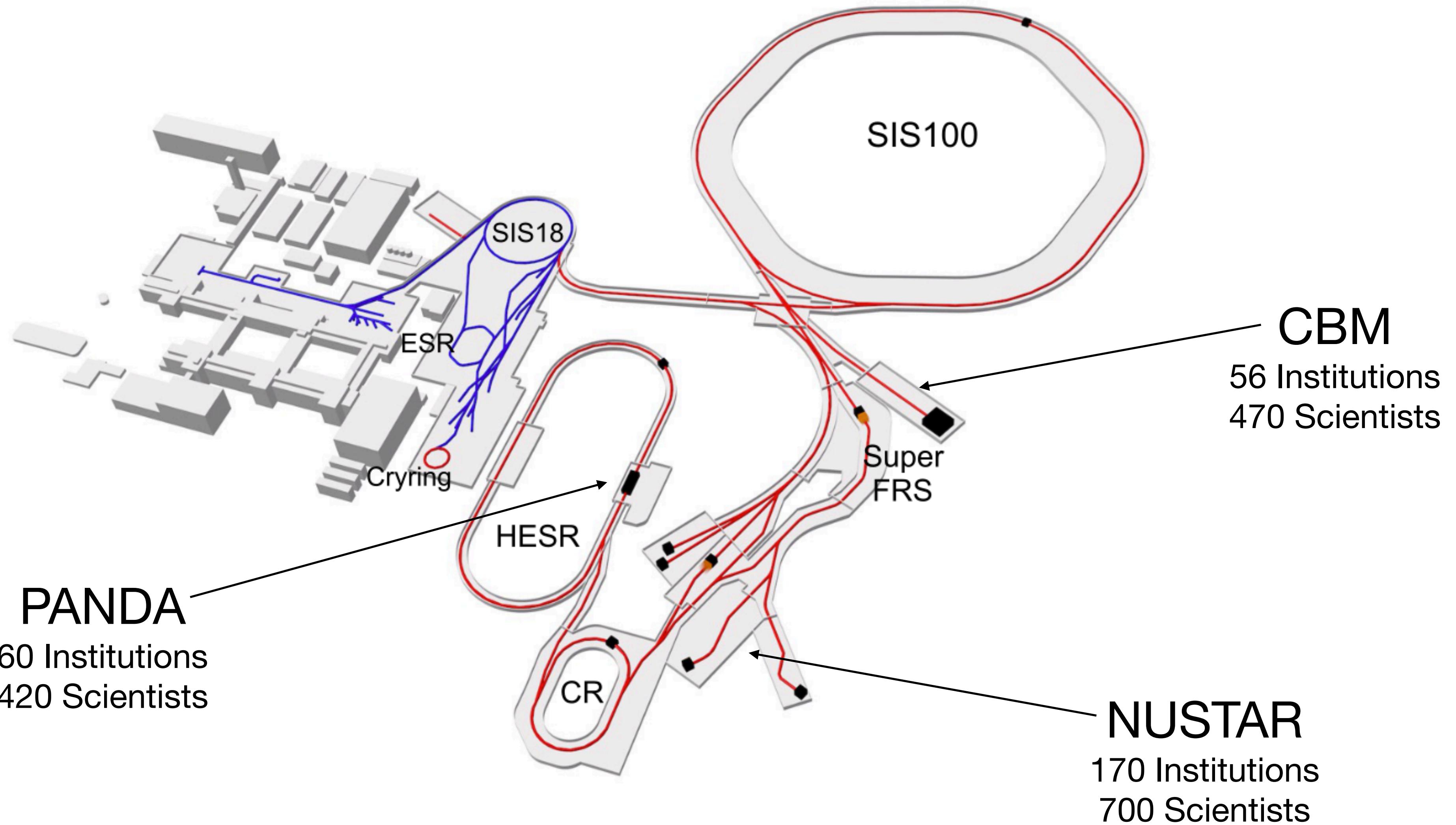
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FAIR Facility under construction

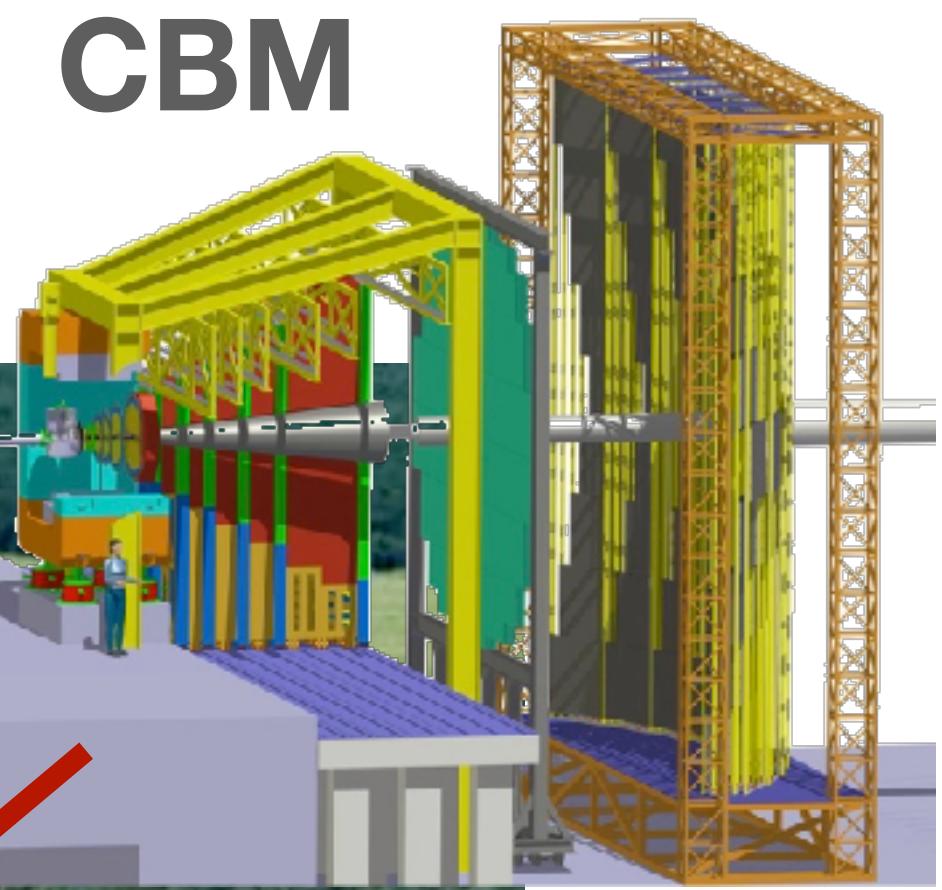
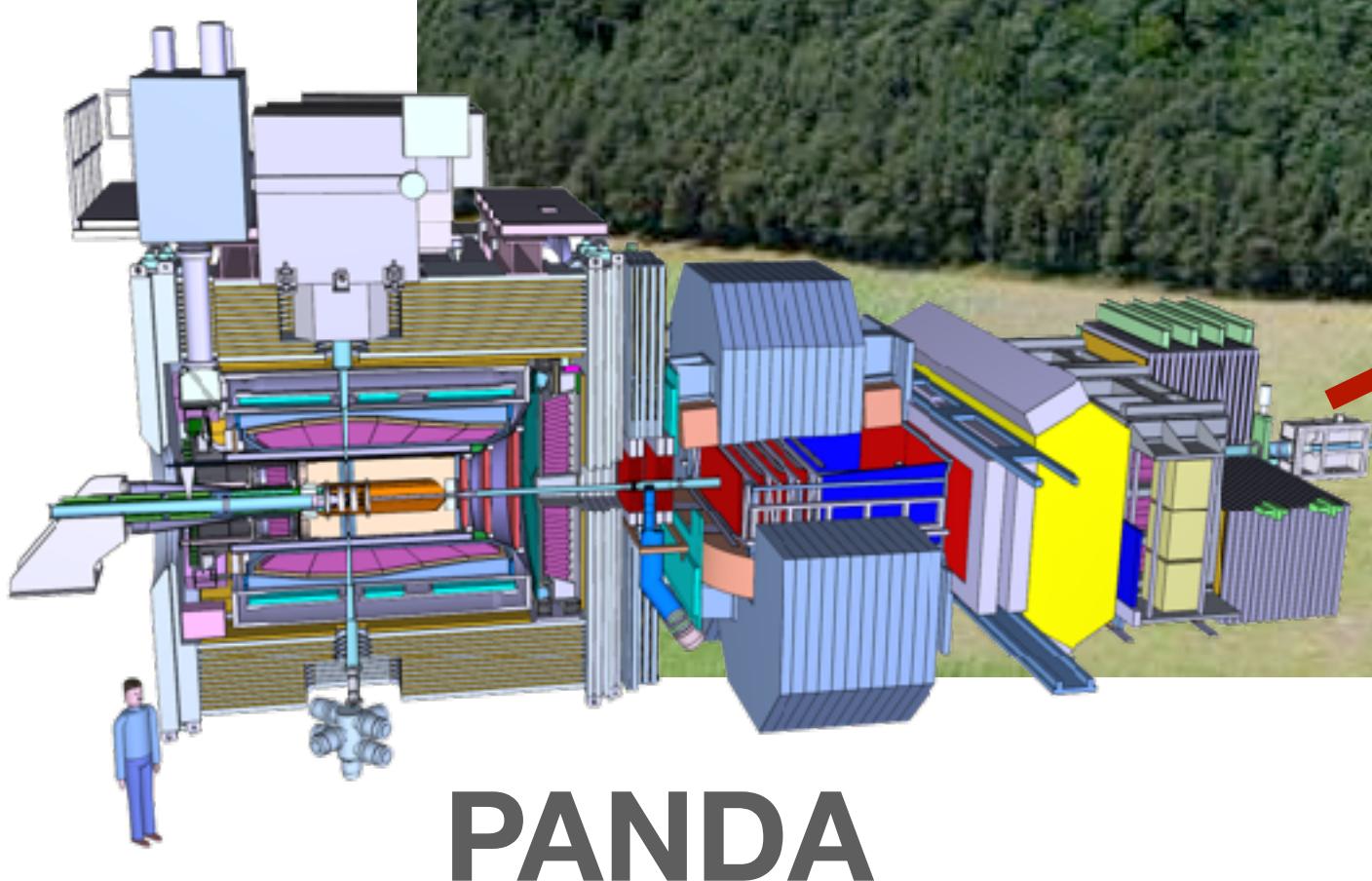
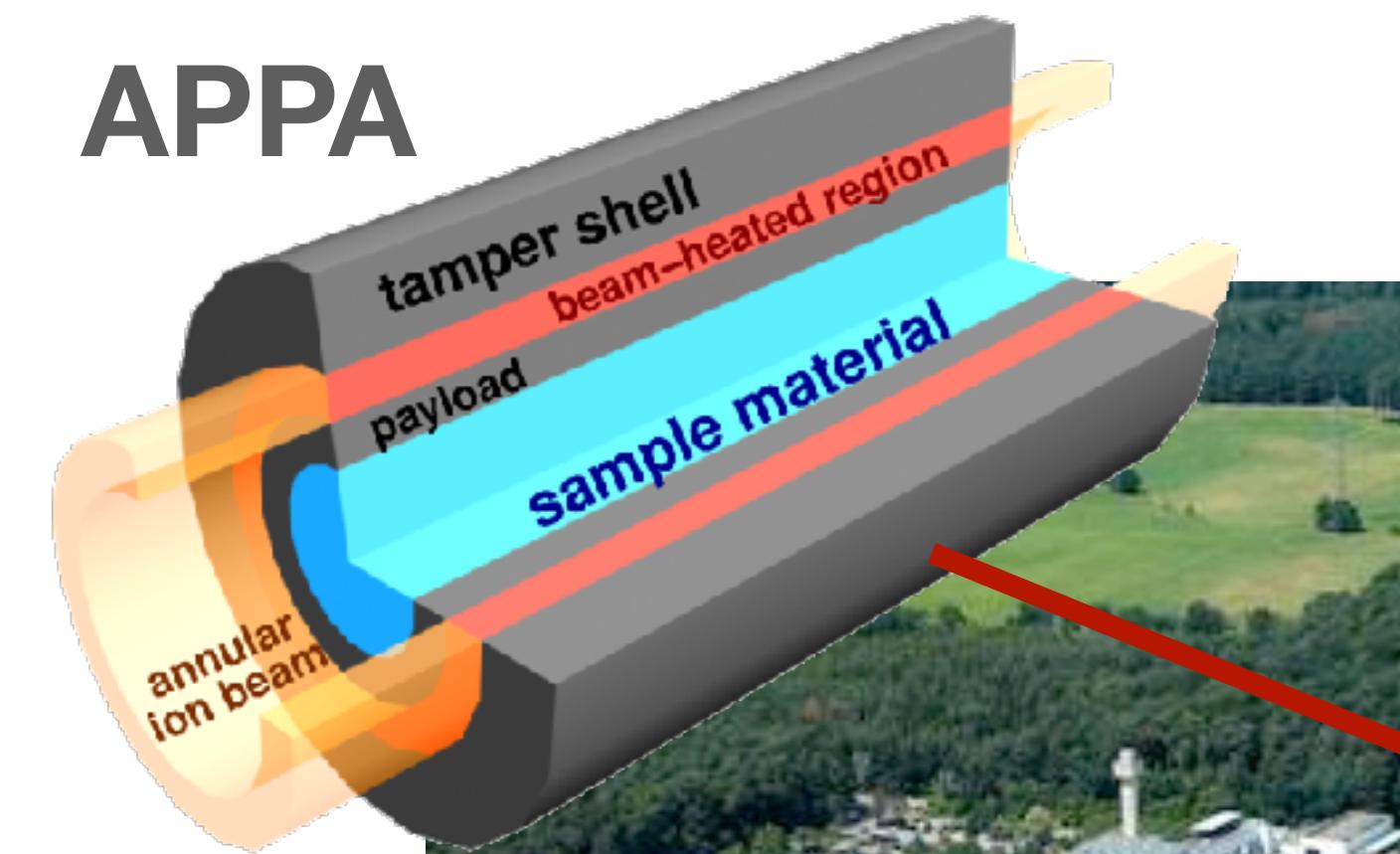


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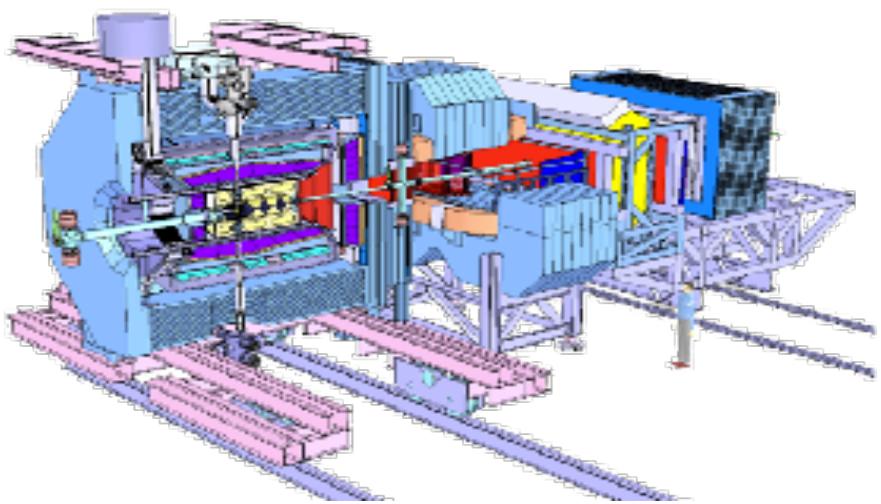
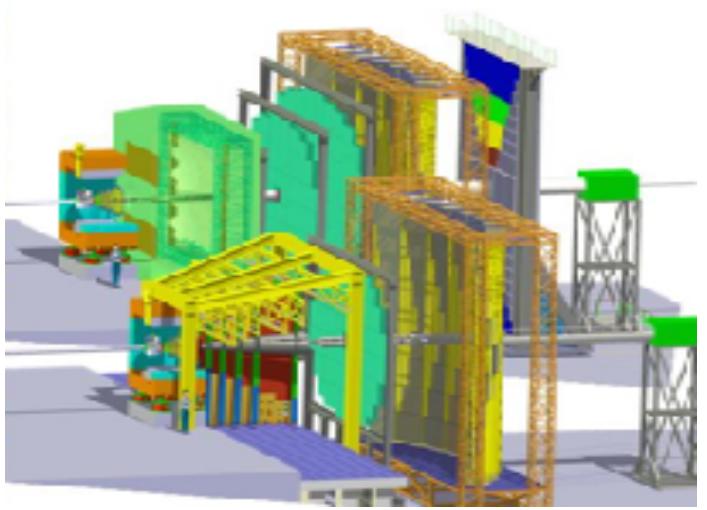
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Four scientific pillars of FAIR

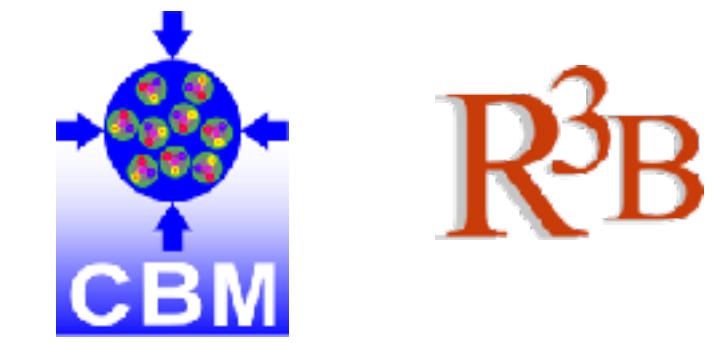


Computing at FAIR / GSI



- Provide computing infrastructure for different experiments
- ALICE Analysis facility

Generic batch farm for
GSI/FAIR Users

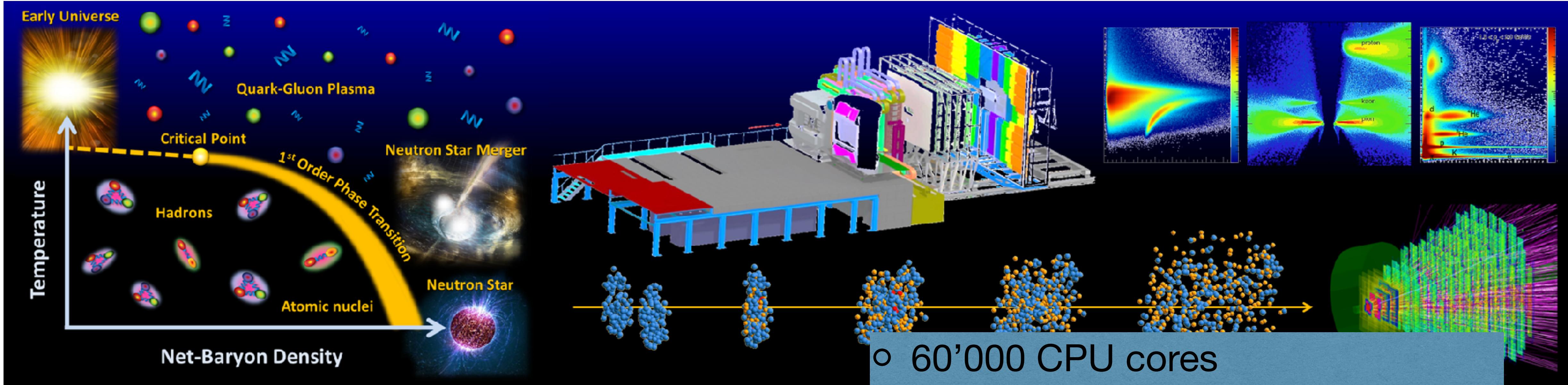


R³B



CBM

Compressed Baryonic Matter



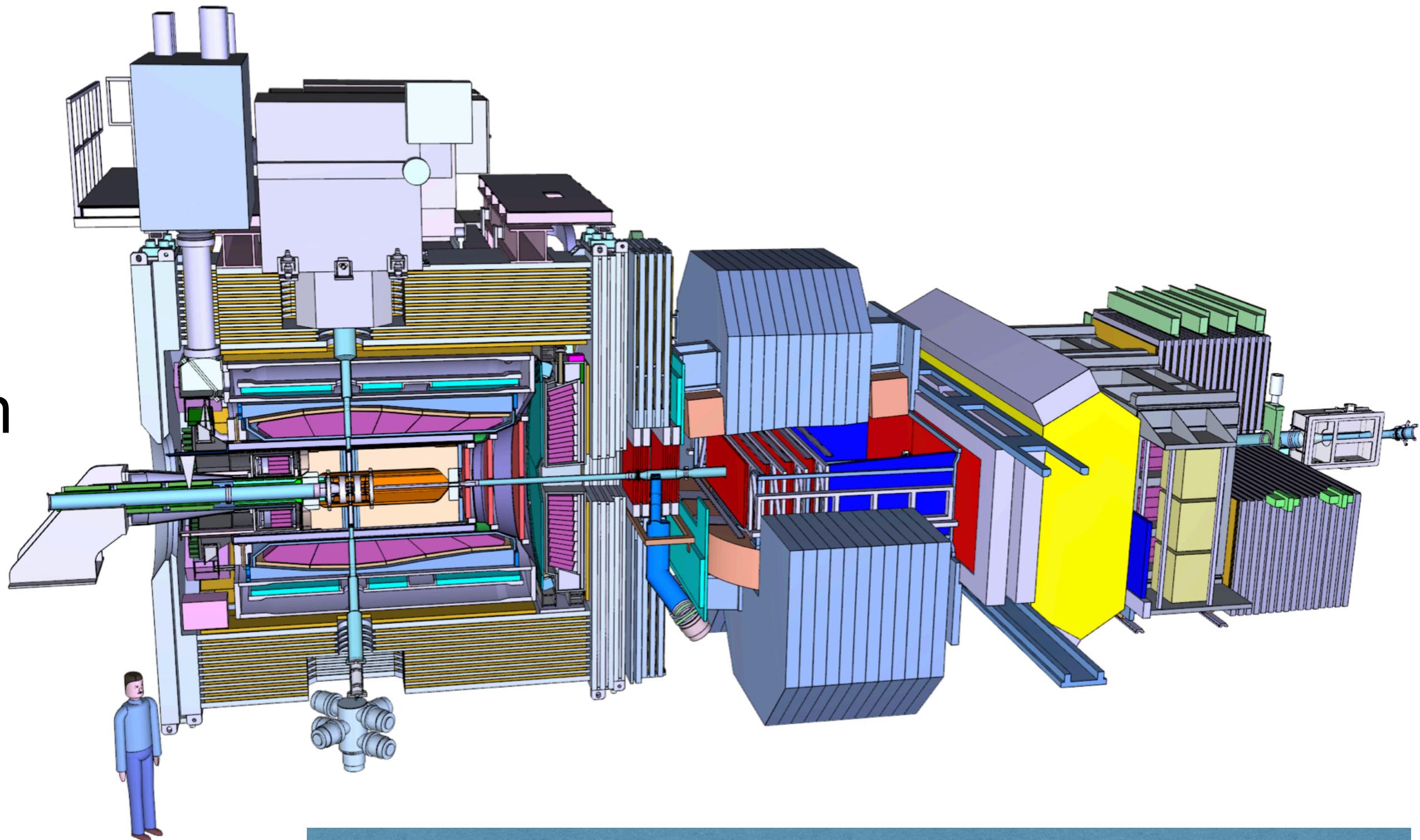
- Extensive detector simulations with Geant3 / Geant4
- Online reconstruction in trigger-less mode

- 60'000 CPU cores
 - To perform online a full event reconstruction on the 1 TB/s input data stream
- ? GPUs
 - To speed up the reconstruction

PANDA

Proton ANti-proton in DArmstadt

- Highlights:
 - Mixed background and signal simulation
 - Time-based simulation (overlapping events + pile-up)
 - Reconstruction of low momentum tracks
 - Full online event reconstruction
- Current development activities
 - Online tracking with GPUs
 - ML based tracking and PID
 - Online event building



- 20,000 cores + FPGAs
 - For full online event reconstruction at 200 GB/s data stream *
 - Usage of GPUs under study
- 10,000 cores for offline reconstruction

* High luminosity run

NUSTAR

Nuclear Structure, Astrophysics and Reactions

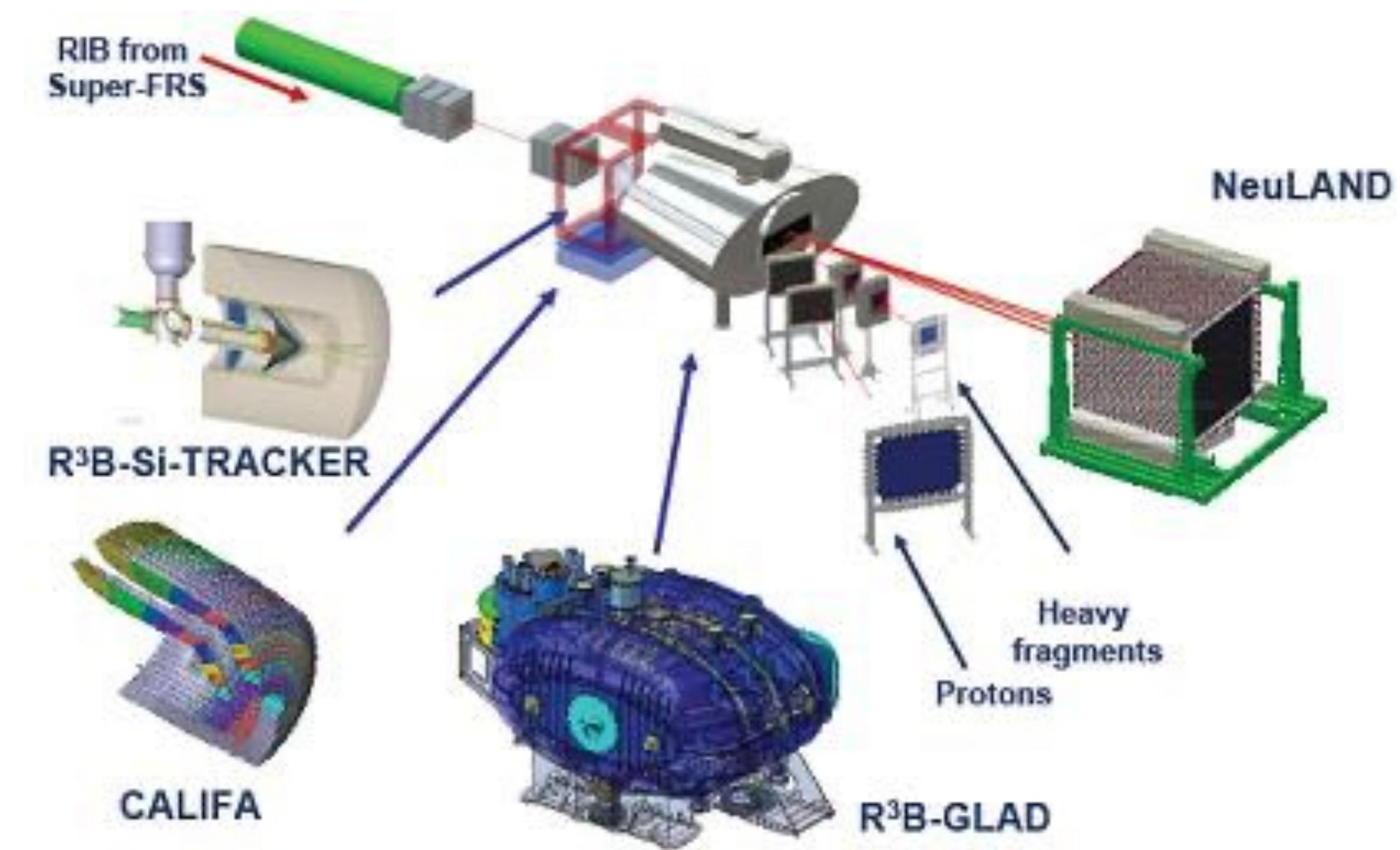
- HISPEC/DESPEC (High-Resolution in-flight Spectroscopy/Decay Spectroscopy)
- R3B (Reactions with Relativistic Radioactive Beams)
- MATS (Precision Measurements of very short-lived nuclei using an Advanced Trapping System)
- LaSpec (Laser Spectroscopy)
- ILIMA (Isomeric Beams, Lifetimes and Masses)
- AIC
- ELISe (Electron-Ion Scattering in a Storage Ring)
- EXL (Exotic nuclei studied in light-ion induced reactions at the NESR storage ring)
- Super-FRS Experiments
- SHE (Super-Heavy Element Research)



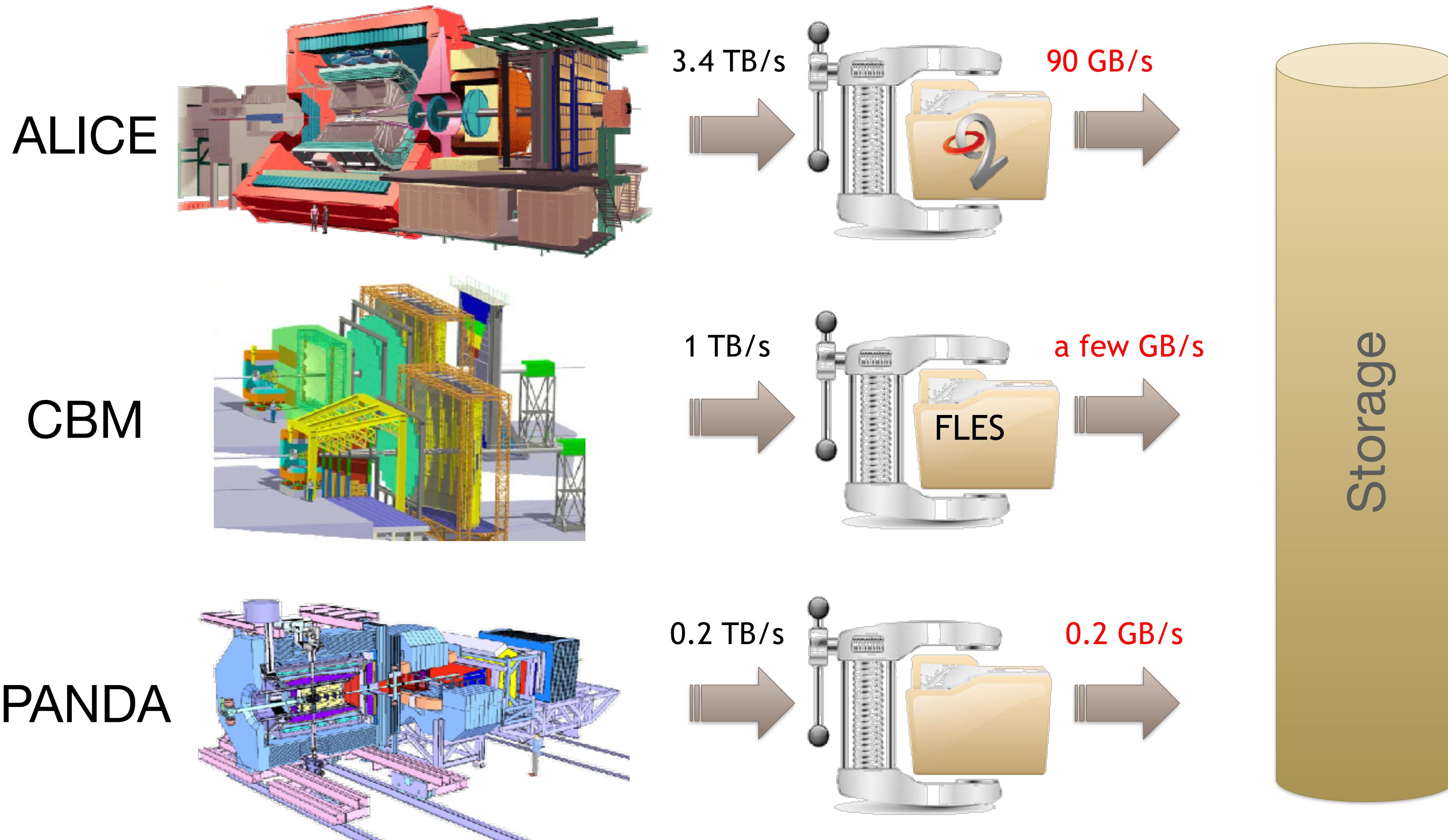
R³B as part of NUSTAR

Reactions with Relativistic Radioactive Beams

- Operational full-size detector – nuclear physics experiments at SIS18 (FAIR Phase-0)
- Moderate data flow
- Requirement for distributed computing in calibration / tracking / alignment stages



(Partial) Online reconstruction



Different experiments – similar requirements

Develop **common libraries** for high throughput
distributed data processing

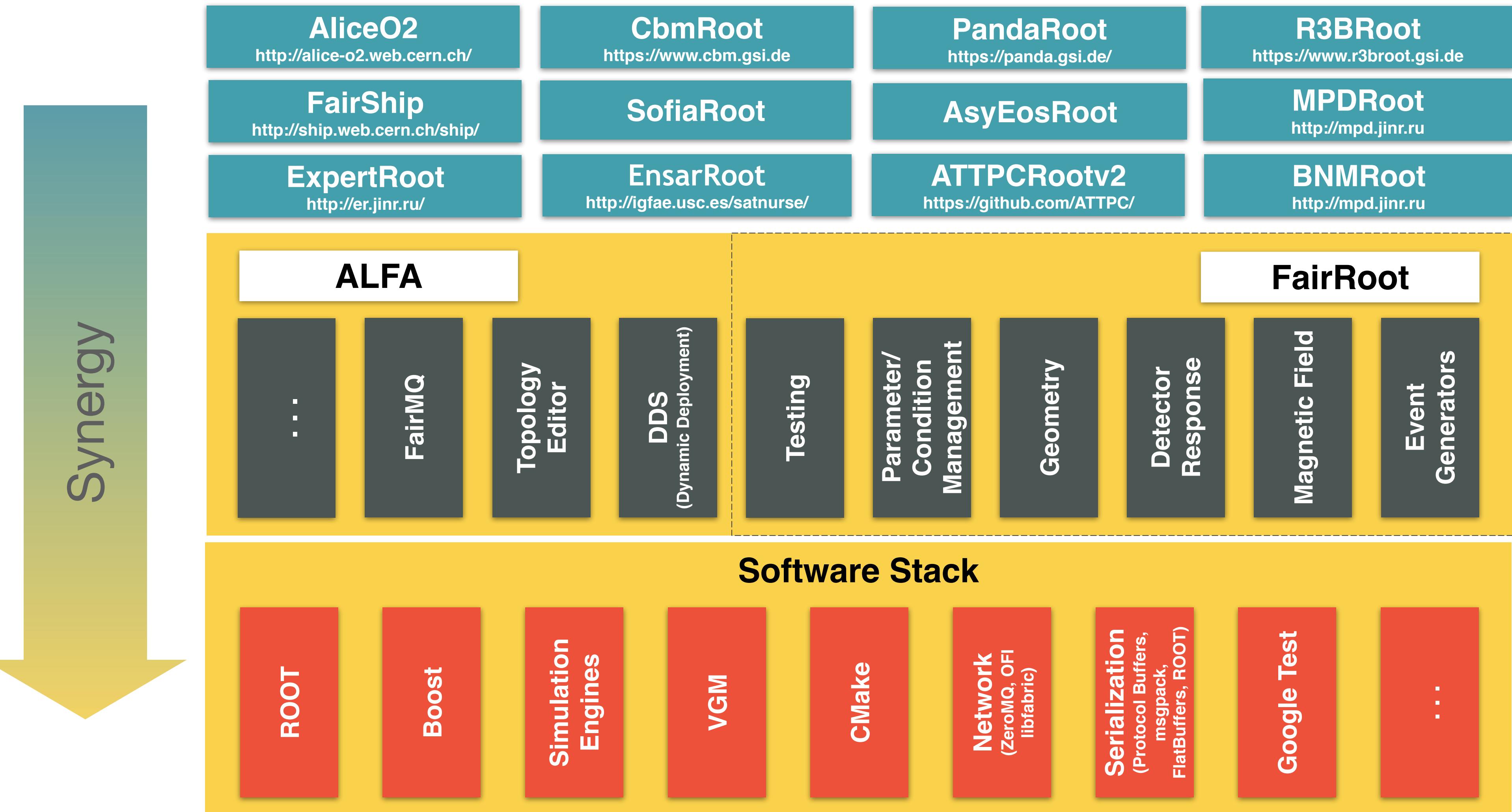
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ALFA Framework



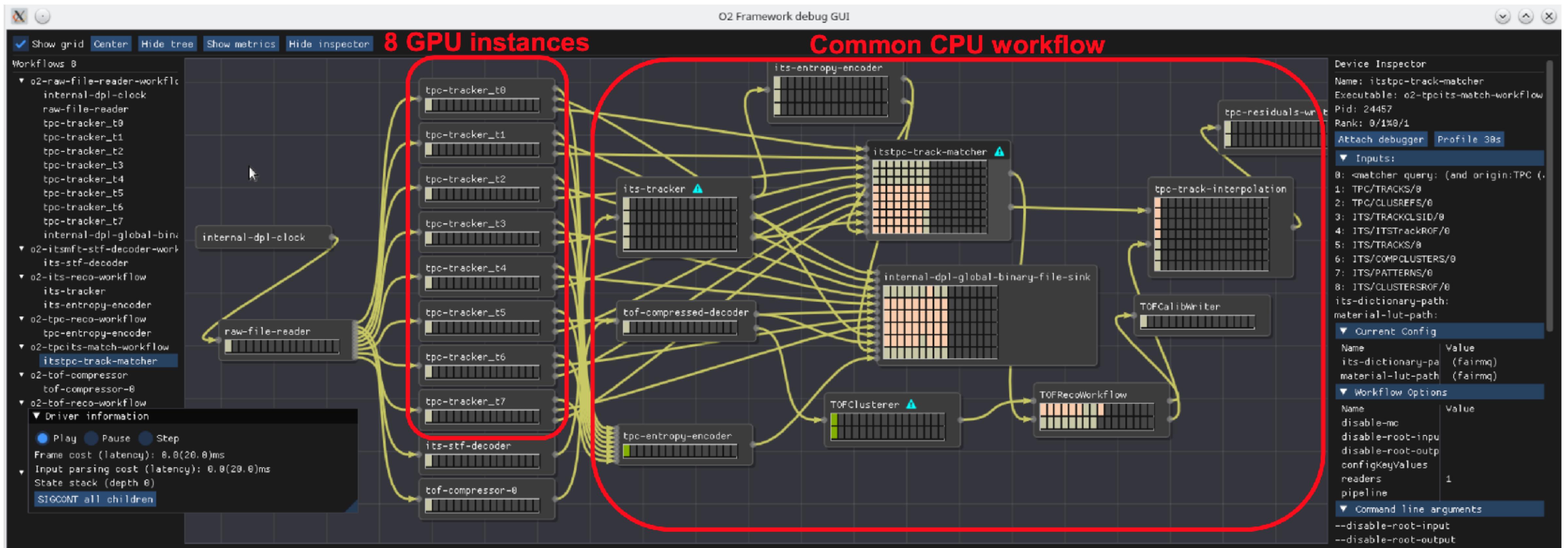
Concept of distributed computing

- High throughput online computing
- Standalone processes
- Message passing (over network or using shared memory)
- On heterogeneous hardware (CPU, GPU, FPGA)
- Independent of programming language
- Multithreading support

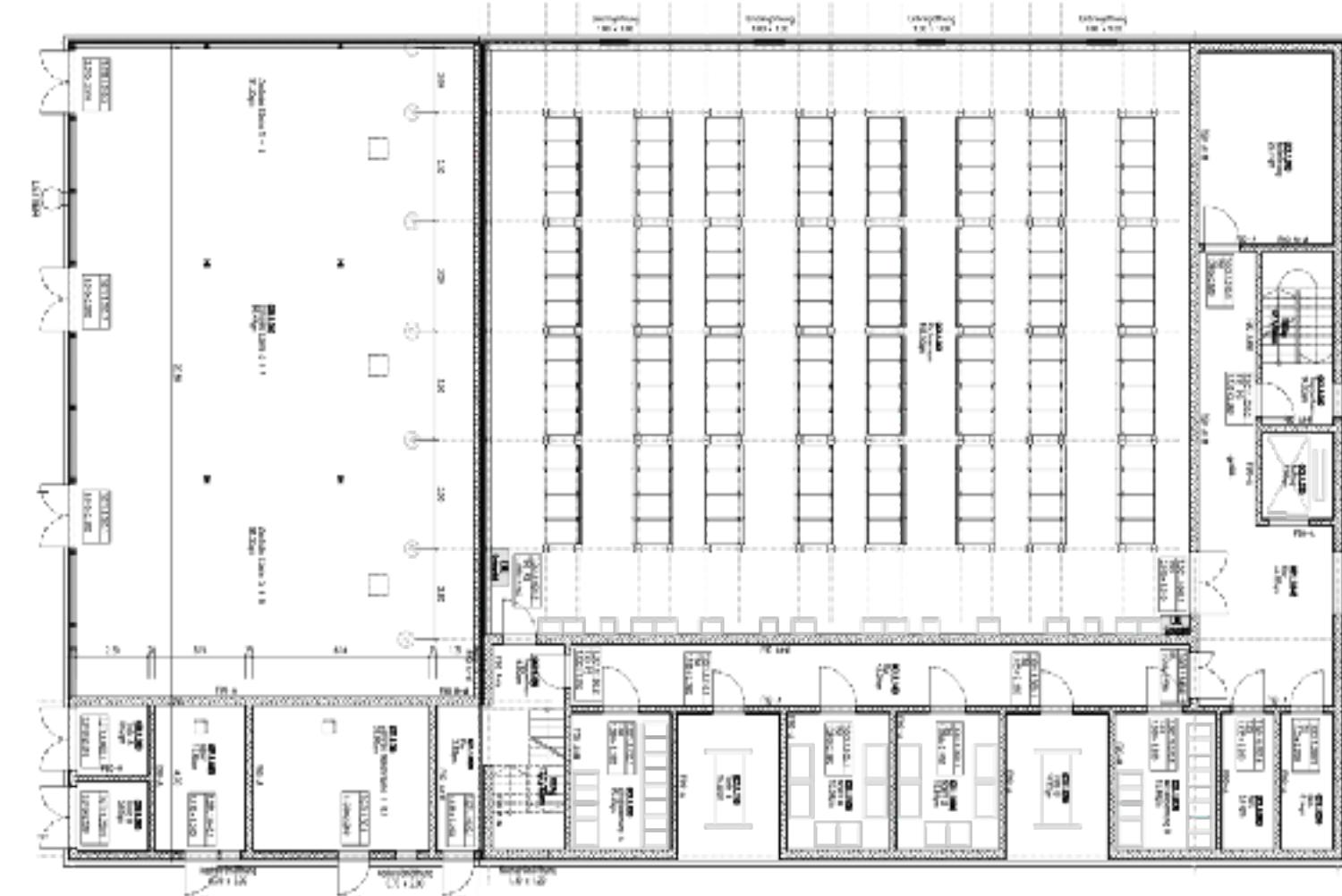
ALICE at CERN

EPN Workflow – running example

D. Rohr, G. Eulisse



IT Infrastructure - Green Cube



- Space for 768 19" racks (2,2m)
- 4 MW cooling (baseline)
- Max cooling power 12 MW

- Can be used for any commercial IT
- PUE <1.07
- In operation since Feb. 2016

Virgo Computing Cluster – hardware

- 530 batch execution nodes in total, 27k cores
- Infiniband network
- Lustre for high performance storage and CVMFS for read-only software distribution
- GPU cluster in operation
 - Will be upgraded with new hardware this year (order ongoing) and integrated into Virgo cluster (about 400 GPU's)

Virtual Application Environment at Virgo

- Thin OS layer on the host - low maintenance cost
- System packages + user software in VAE (CentOS 7, Debian 10)
- Based on singularity containers
- Build for multiple architectures using Spack
 - distributed using CVMFS
- CI / CD using GitLab
- Users can start own container

Online / Offline operation

Computing at FAIR: The resources in
the Green Cube will be shared
between the different FAIR/GSI
Partners



No separate hardware for
the online compute clusters of
CBM and PANDA

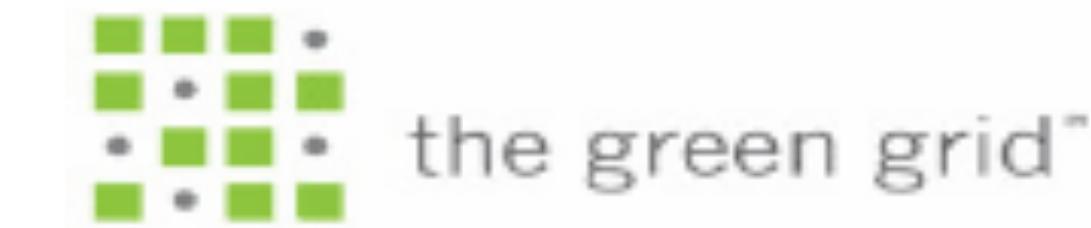
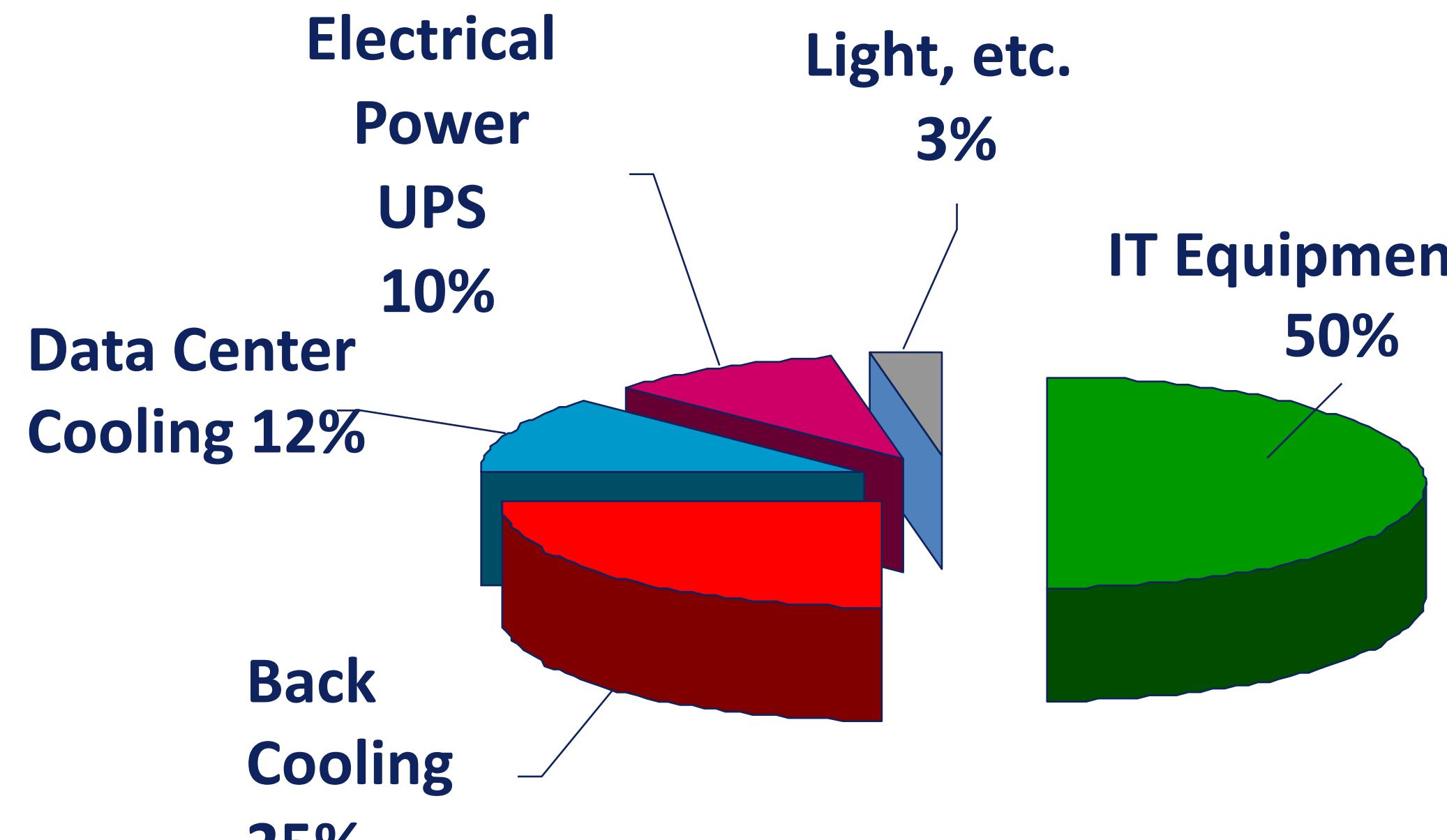


Summary

- Similar requirements of experiments – common libraries for message-queue based distributed data processing
- Dynamic orchestration of computing resources between many experiments
- Moving to purely containerised approach for Virgo computing cluster

Backup slides

Data Center State of the Art



PUE = $\frac{\text{Total Facility Power}}{\text{IT Equipment Power}}$

Power Usage Effectiveness

PUE = 2

(typical PUE = 1,6 to 3,5)

Note: 12C/kWh → 1W = 1,05€/a

Source: EYP Mission Critical Facilities Inc., New York