

LHC Networking and Distributed Science

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Agenda

- LCG Evolution
- LHCOPN 2004-Today
- LHCONE 2011-Today
- Distributed Science beyond the LHC

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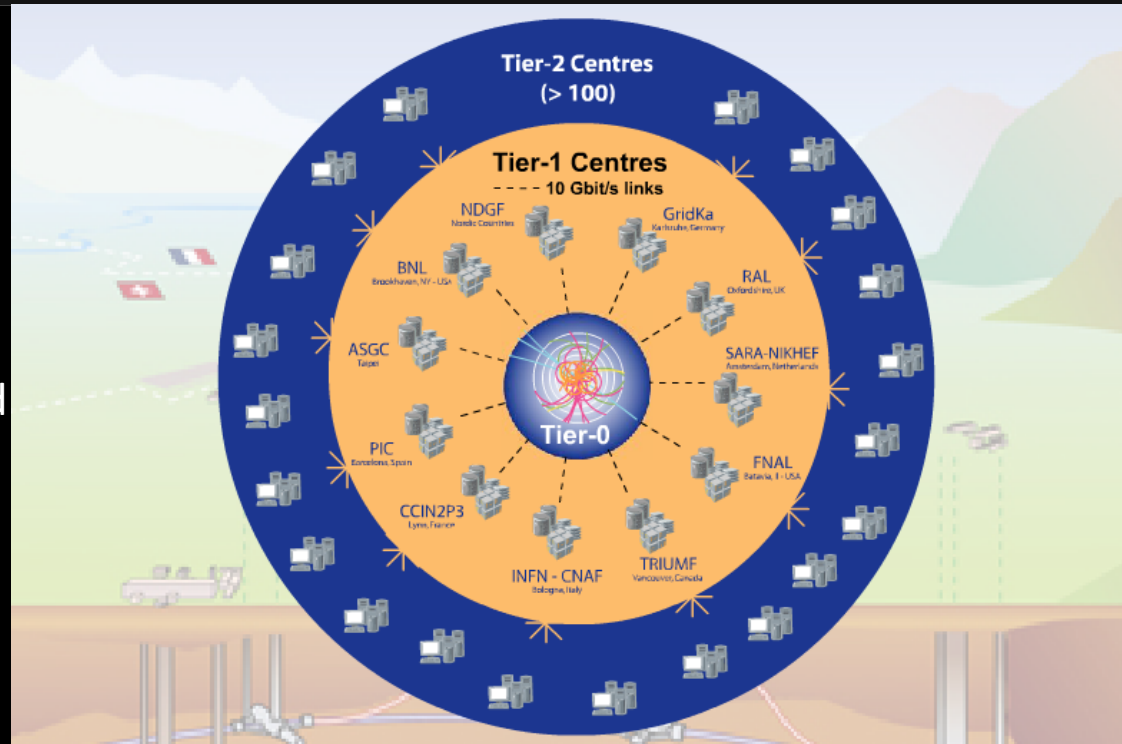
Bob Jones, Alberto Di Meglio, Bill Johnston, Harvey Newman, Ian Bird, Artur Barczyk and others.



LCG Evolution

WLCG – what and why?

- A distributed computing infrastructure to provide the production and analysis environments for the LHC experiments
- Managed and operated by a worldwide collaboration between the experiments and the participating computer centres
- The resources are distributed – for funding and sociological reasons
- Our task was to make use of the resources available to us – no matter where they are located



Tier-0 (CERN):

- Data recording
- Initial data reconstruction
- Data distribution

Tier-1 (11 centres):

- Permanent storage
- Re-processing
- Analysis

Tier-2 (~130 centres):

- Simulation
- End-user analysis

The LHC Computing Challenge

Signal/Noise: 10^{-13} (10^{-9} offline)

Data volume

- High rate * large number of channels * 4 experiments

→ 15 PetaBytes of new data each year
 → 23 PB in 2011

Compute power

- Event complexity * Nb. events * thousands users

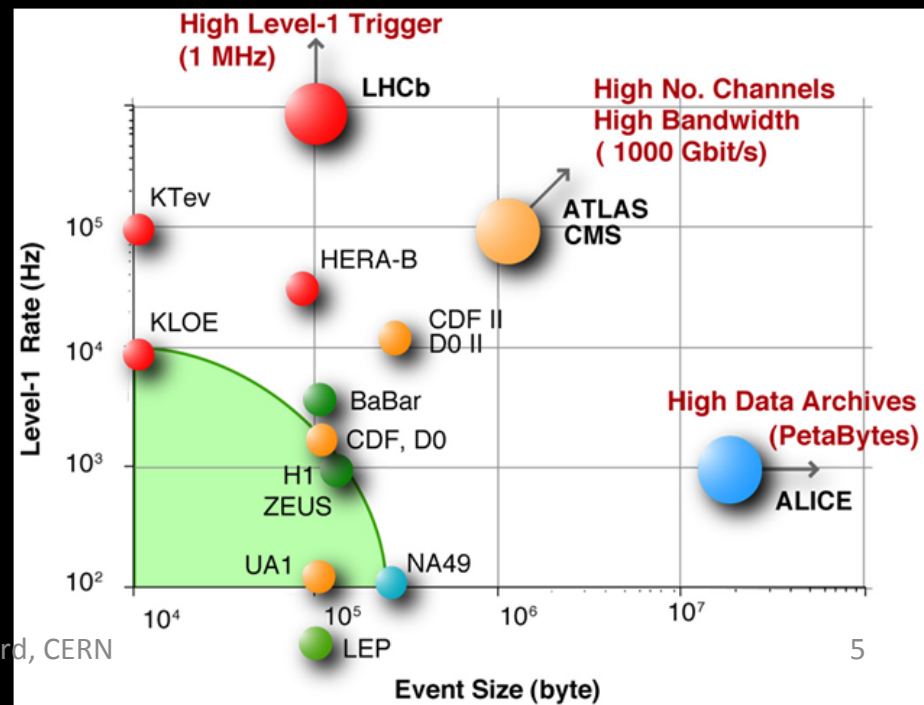
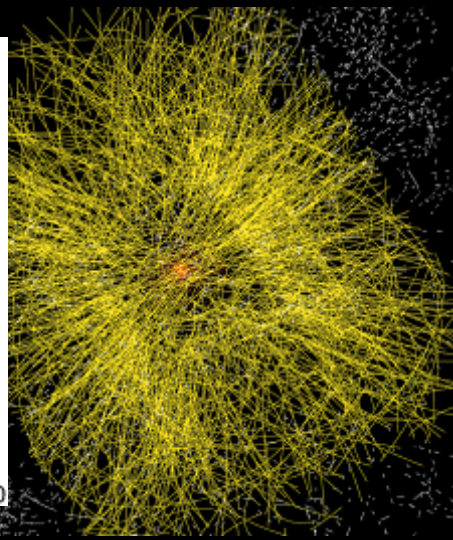
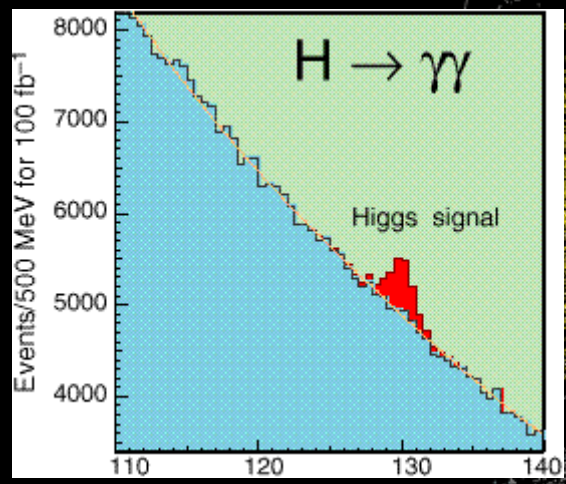
→ 200 k CPUs → 250 k CPU

→ 45 PB of disk storage → 150 PB

Worldwide analysis & funding

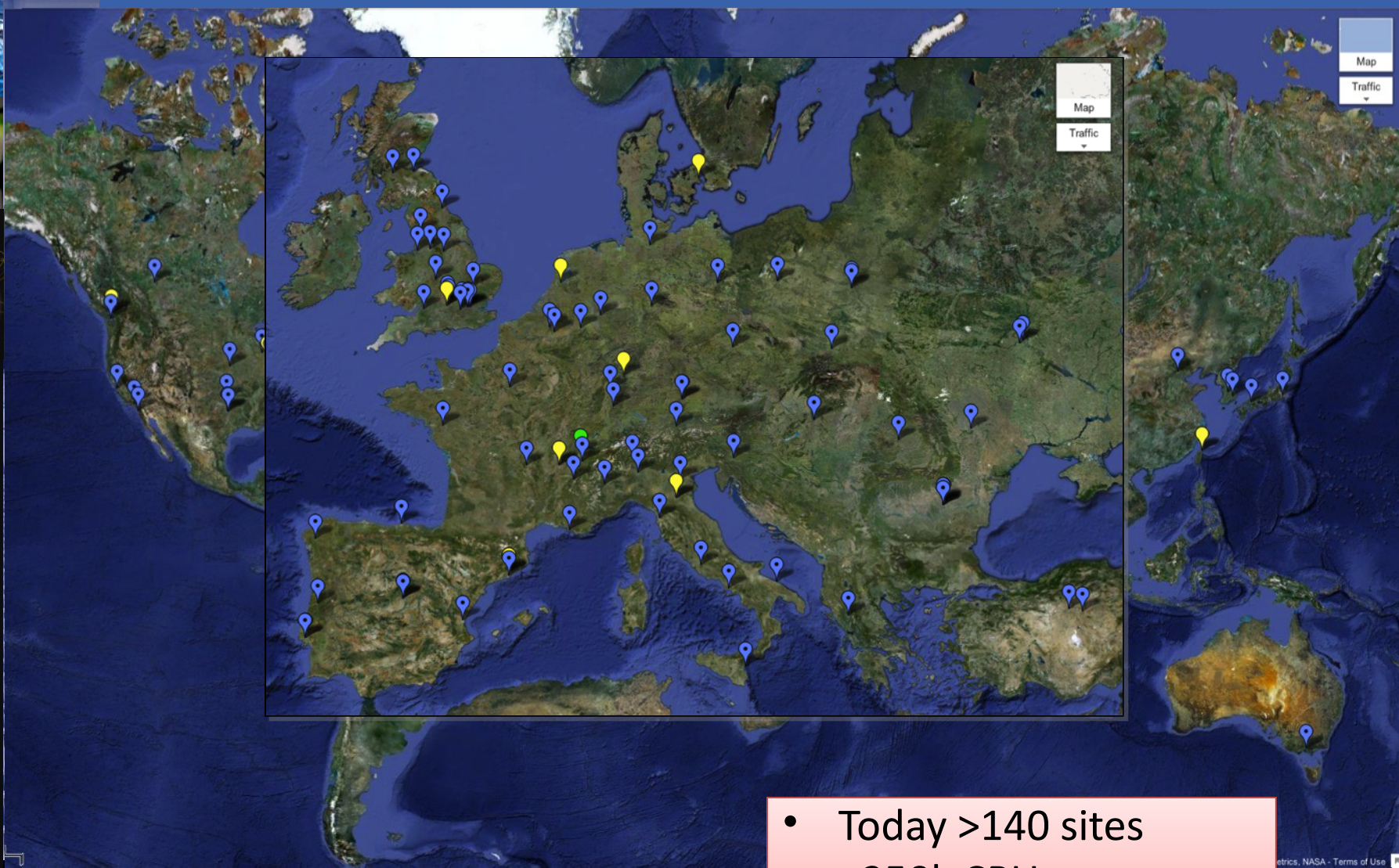
- Computing funding locally in major regions & countries
- Efficient analysis

→ GRID technology



Ian Bird, CERN

WLCG Grid Sites



- Today >140 sites
- >250k CPU cores
- >150 PB disk

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● Tier 0 ● Tier 1 ● Tier 2



CERN



US-BNL



Amsterdam/NIKHEF-SARA



Taipei/ASGC



Bologna/CNAF



Ca-TRIUMF

WLCG Collaboration Status
Tier 0; 11 Tier 1s; 68 Tier 2 federations

Today we have 50 MoU signatories, representing 35 countries:

Australia, Austria, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, China, Czech Rep, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Hungary, Italy, India, Israel, Japan, Rep. Korea, Netherlands, Norway, Pakistan, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taipei, Turkey, UK, Ukraine, USA.



NIDG



US-FNAL

March 2012: Accepted KISTI (S.Korea) as first new associate Tier 1



De-FZK



Barcelona/IFIC



Lyon/CCIN2P3

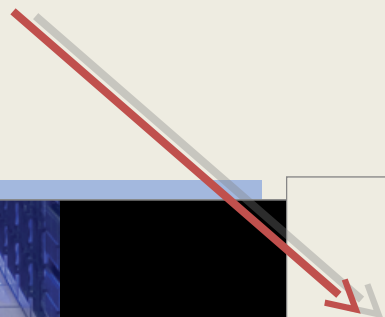


UK-RAL

CPU – around the Tiers

- CERN
- BNL
- CNAF
- KIT
- NL LHC/Tier-1
- RAL
- FNAL
- CC-IN2P3
- ASGC
- PIC
- NDGF
- TRIUMF
- Tier 2

- The grid really works
- All sites, large and small can contribute
 - And their contributions are needed!



Tier 2 CPU delivered by country - January 2011

USA	UK
France	Germany
Italy	Russian Federation
Spain	Canada
Poland	Switzerland
Slovenia	Czech Republic
China	Portugal
Japan	Sweden
Israel	Romania
Belgium	Austria
Hungary	Taipei
Australia	Republic of Korea
Norway	Turkey
Ukraine	Finland
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Estonia	Brazil
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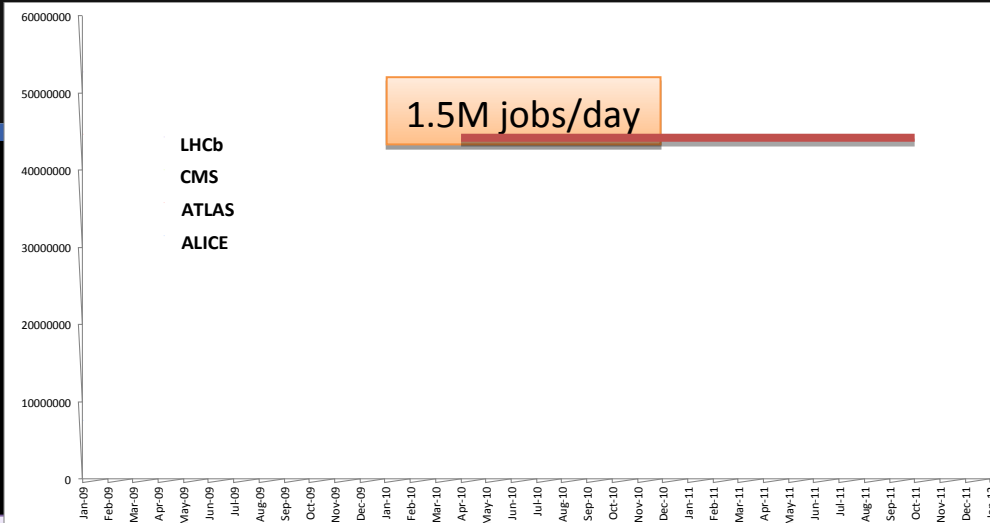
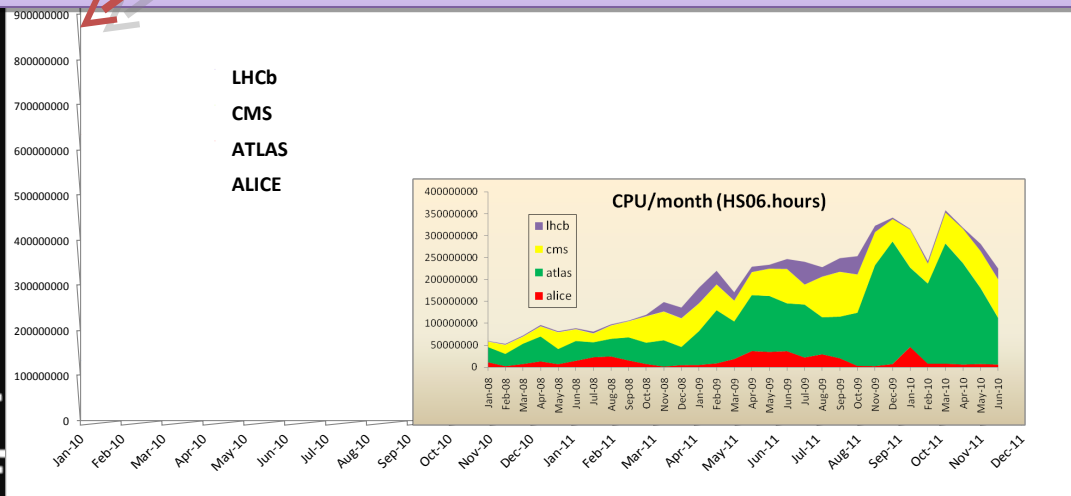
Grid Usage

Use remains consistently high:

- >1.5 M jobs/day;
- ~150k CPU

10⁹ HEPSPREC-hours/month
(~150 k CPU continuous use)

CPU used at Tier 1s + Tier 2s (HS06.hrs/month) – last 24 months



At the end of 2010 we saw all Tier 1 and Tier 2 job slots being filled

CPU usage now >> double that of mid-2010 (inset shows build up over previous years)

As well as LHC data, large simulation productions always ongoing

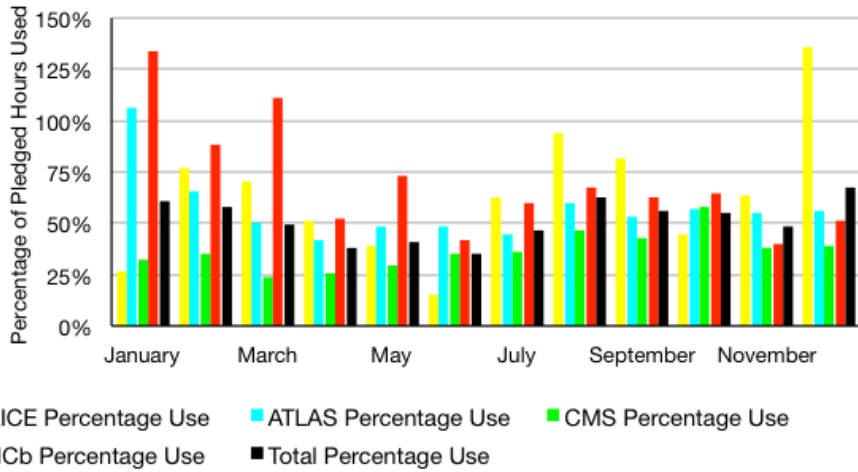
Large numbers of analysis users:

- ATLAS, CMS ~1000
- LHCb, ALICE ~250

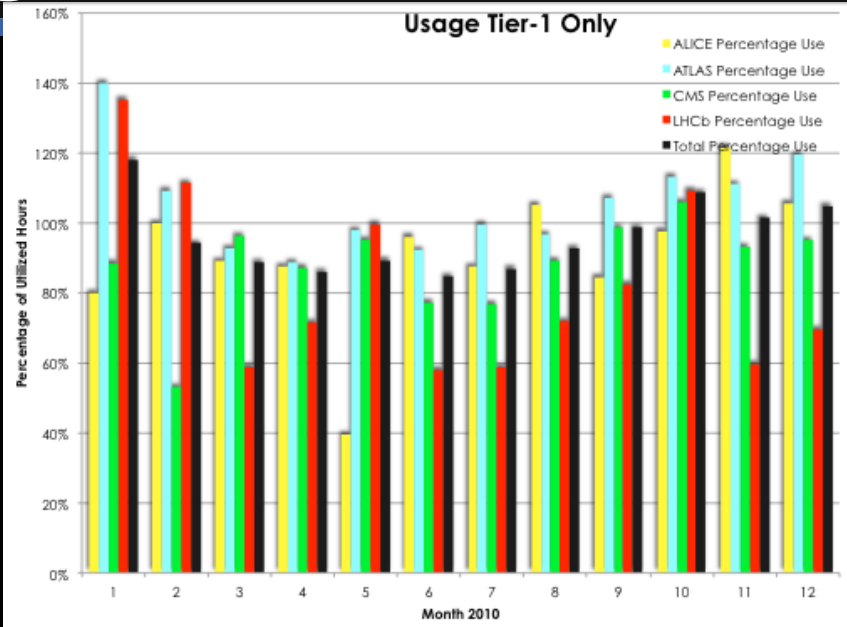
In 2011 WLCG delivered ~ 150 CPU-millennia!

Tiers usage vs pledges

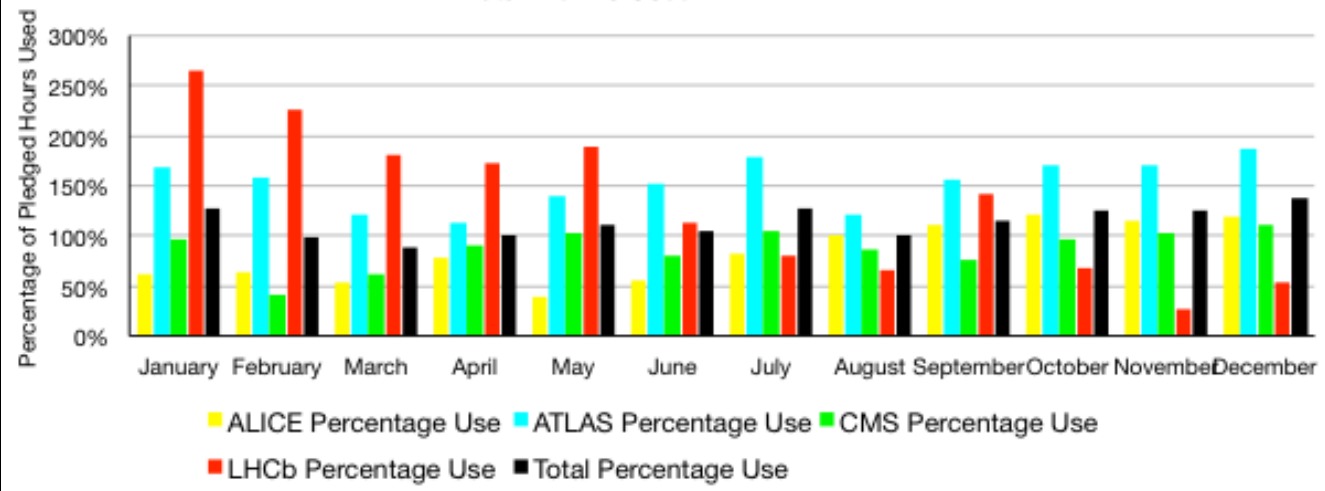
Usage of CERN



Usage Tier-1 Only



Total Tier-2s Used



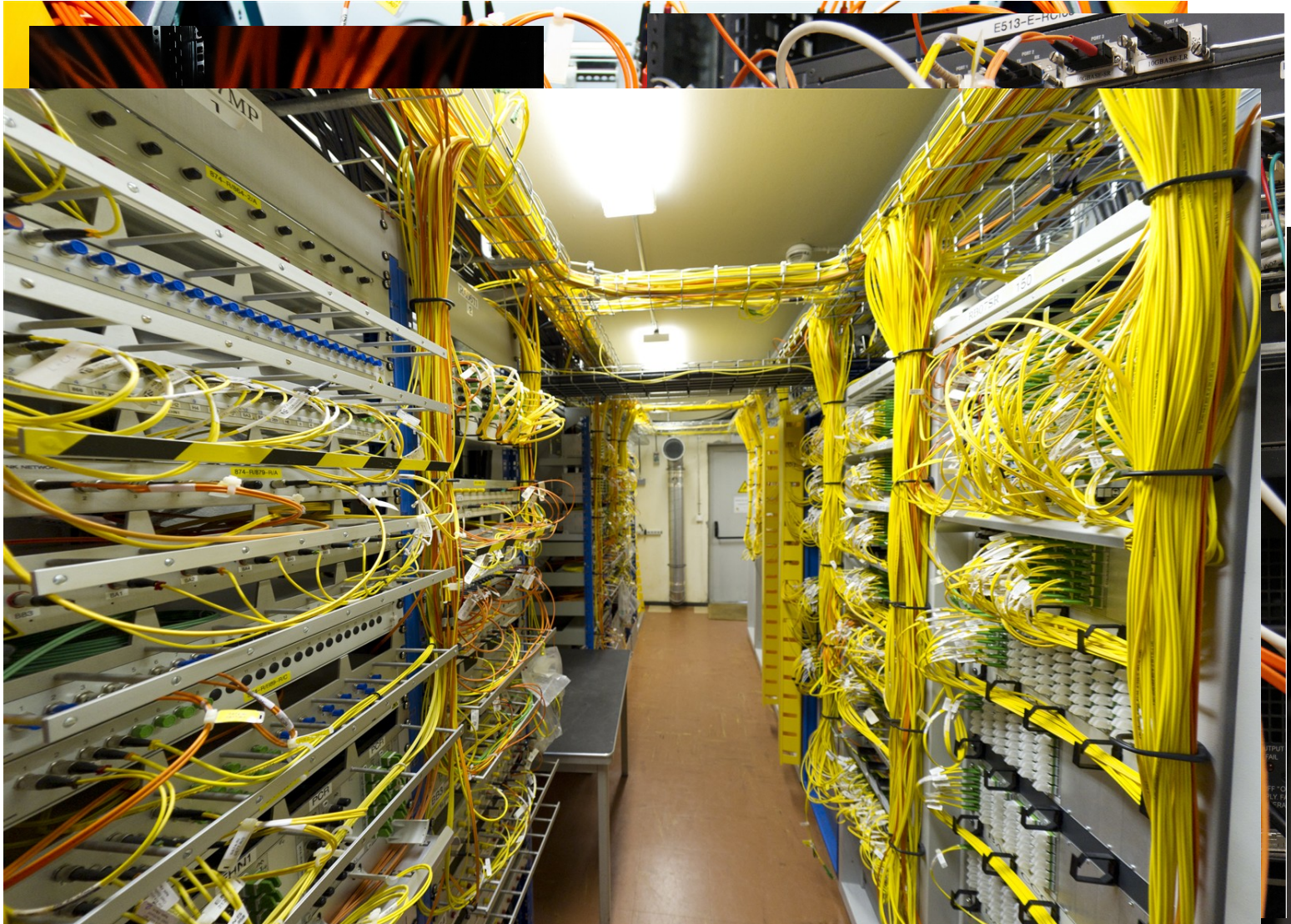
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Growth of CPU and Disk capacity



Networks are fundamental

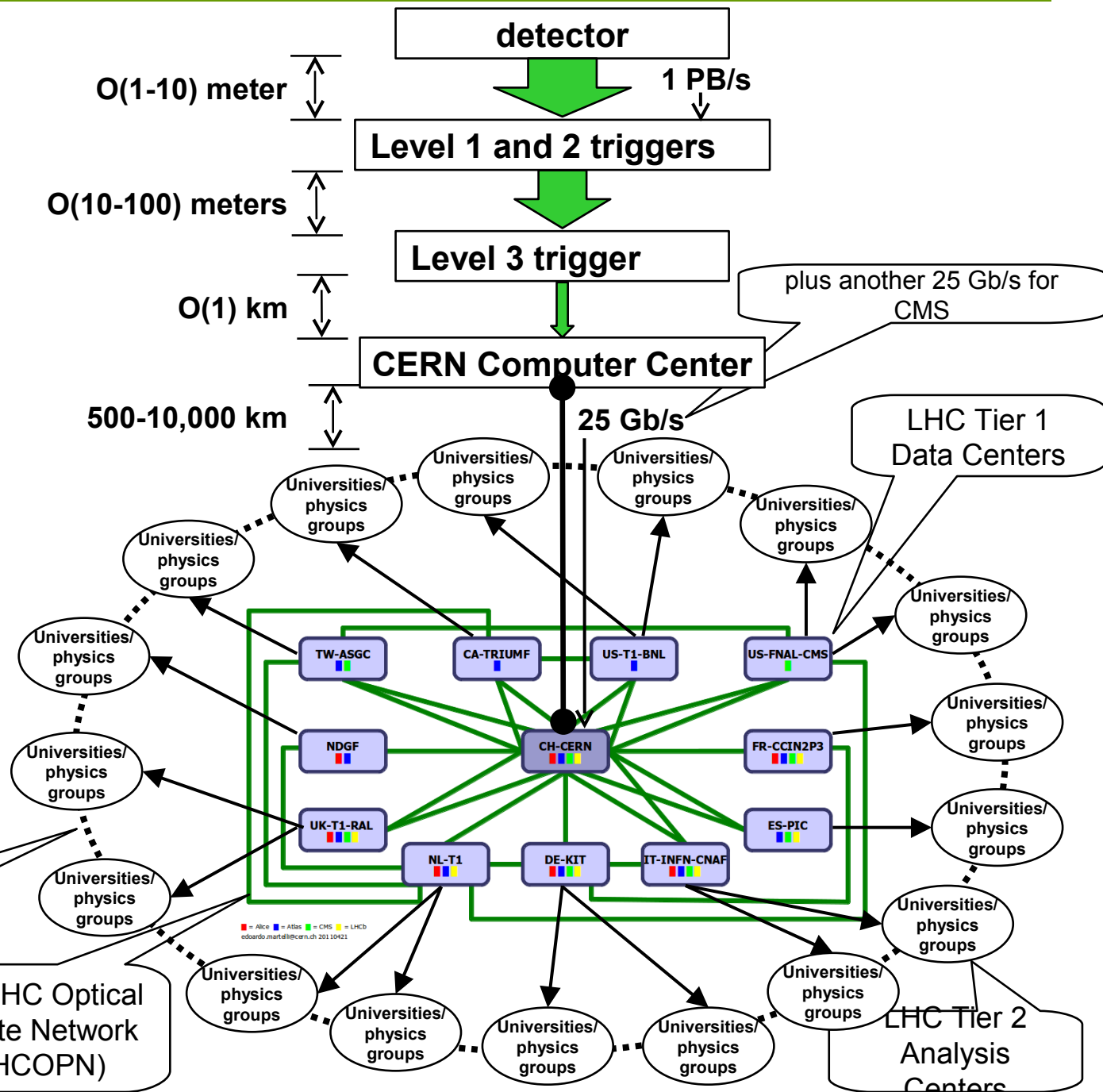




LHCOPN

LHC/ATLAS data flow model

CERN → T1	miles	kms
France	350	565
Italy	570	920
UK	625	1000
Netherlands	625	1000
Germany	700	1185
Spain	850	1400
Nordic	1300	2100
USA – New York	3900	6300
USA - Chicago	4400	7100
Canada – BC	5200	8400
Taiwan	6100	9850



The LHC Open Network Environment (LHCONE)

The LHC Optical Private Network (LHCOPN)

LHC Tier 2 Analysis Centers

- From the LHCOPN Architecture Document

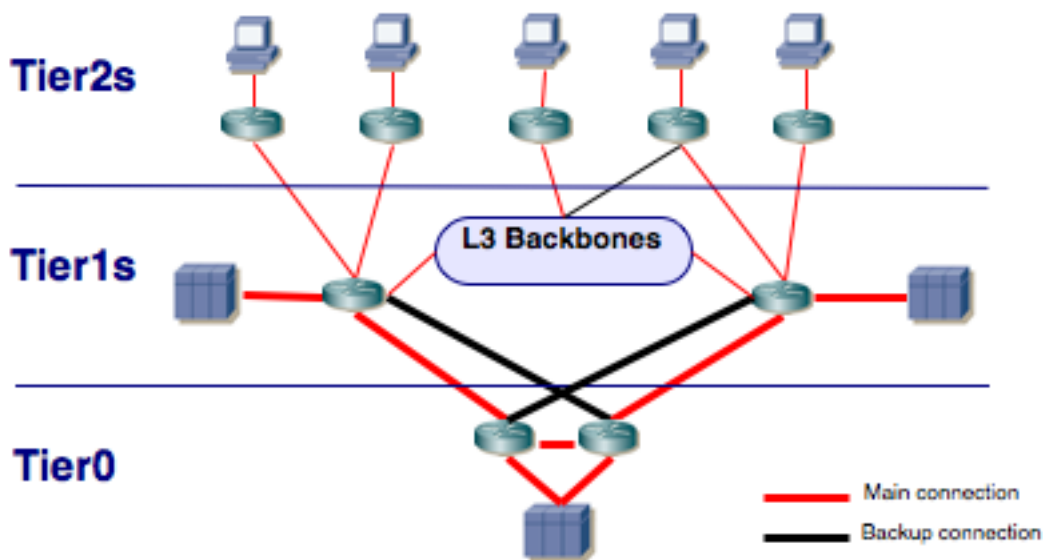


Figure 2. Network architecture

Some of the early documents 2004-2005

Community Network Infrastructure for LHC Data Movement
David Foster CERN IT-CS

Introduction

The document provides a summary of the requirements for the LHC data transport according to the information known at the present. It does not provide an exhaustive justification or explanation of the various options. These have been covered in many other related documents.

The Distributed Data Center

The LHC data processing infrastructure is based on a grid paradigm where resources for LHC data processing is provided by collaborating institutes world wide. These resources comprise CPU and Data storage primarily. Units of work, jobs, will be distributed to these remote locations, be executed and the data stored. This clearly raises a number of complex policy issues that will not be discussed here. However, for the purposes of this document we can assume that data movement and replication will

A COMMUNITY NETWORK FOR LHC DATA TRANSFER

A DOCUMENT SUBMITTED TO THE LCG
AND TIER-1 CENTERS FOR DISCUSSION

DOCUMENT VERSION: **DRAFT** 1.6

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LHC high-level network architecture



Grid Deployment Board - GDB

produced by LHC high-level architecture group
with contribution and comments from many

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Summary of the first Tier 0/1 Network Meeting Held January 20/21 2005

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Original Milestones 2004-2006

	Midyear	Endyear
2004	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 10Gbit “end-to-end” tests with a US Tier-1 (Fermilab?)• First version of the LHC Community Network proposal	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 10Gbit “end-to-end” test complete with European Partner• Measure performance variability and understand H/W and S/W Issues to ALL sites.• Document circuit switched options and costs, first real test if possible.
2005	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Circuit/Packet switch design completed.• LHC Community network proposal completed.• All T1 Fabric architecture documents completed.• LCG TDR completed	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sustained throughput test achieved to some sites: 2-4 Gb/sec for 2 months. H/W and S/W problems solved.
2006	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• All CERN b/w provisioned.• All T1 bandwidth in production (10Gb links)• Sustained throughput tests achieved to most sites.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Verified performance to all sites for at least 2 months.





HEP Bandwidth Roadmap for Major CERN IT Department Links (in Gbps): US LHCNet Example

Harvey Newman Caltech

Year	Production	Experimental	Remarks
2001	0.155	0.622-2.5	SONET/SDH
2002	0.622	2.5	SONET/SDH DWDM; GigE Integ.
2003	2.5	10-20	DWDM; 1 + 10 GigE Integration
2005-6	10-20	2-10 X 10	λ Switch; λ Provisioning
2007-8	3-4 X 10	$\sim 10 \times 10$; 100 Gbps	1 st Gen. λ Grids
2009-10	6-8 X 10	$\sim 20 \times 10$ or $\sim 2 \times 100$	100 Gbps λ Switching
2011-12	$\sim 20 \times 10$ or 2 X 100	$\sim 10 \times 100$	2 nd Gen λ Grids Terabit Networks
2013-5	\sim Terabit	\sim MultiTbps	\sim Fill One Fiber



Paralleled by ESnet Roadmap for Data Intensive Sciences

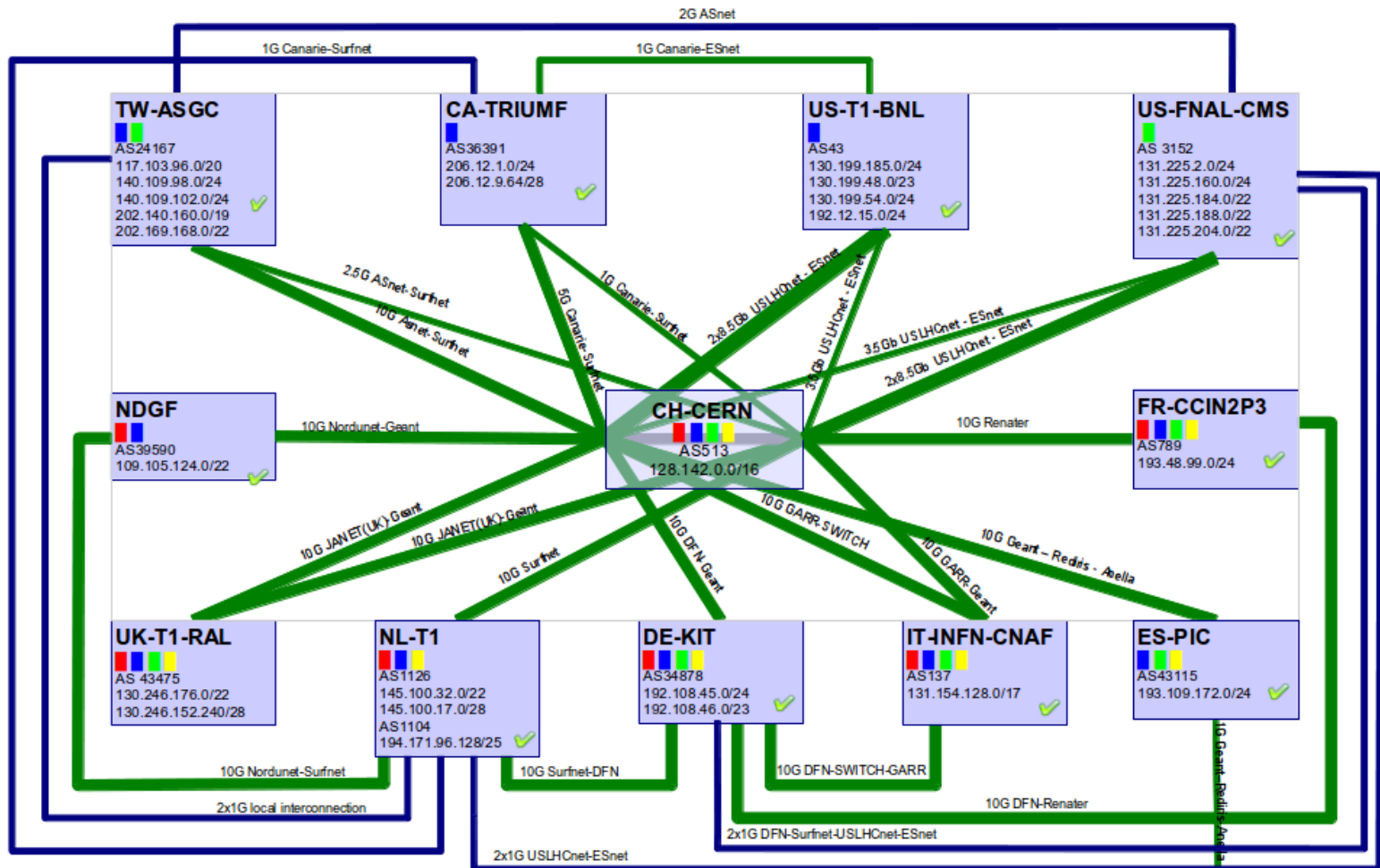
The Birth of LHCOPN

- The LHC Optical Private Network (OPN) is a dedicated network that moves the continuous stream of data from CERN to the Tier 1 national data centers.
 - Only T0→T1 traffic is allowed on the OPN.
 - Tier 2 traffic is not allowed in order to guarantee no interference with the CERN to the T1s data flow.
 - Historically to make the problem “tractable” and provide a “complete” solution.
 - The OPN has a well defined security model that was agreed upon by all of the Tier 1 centers.
 - The OPN has to come into the site without going through the site firewall due to the very high bandwidth, high volume data transfers and this necessitates a strict usage and security model for the OPN.
- The LHC networking model of the OPN has evolved considerably since it was first conceived.



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LHCOPN



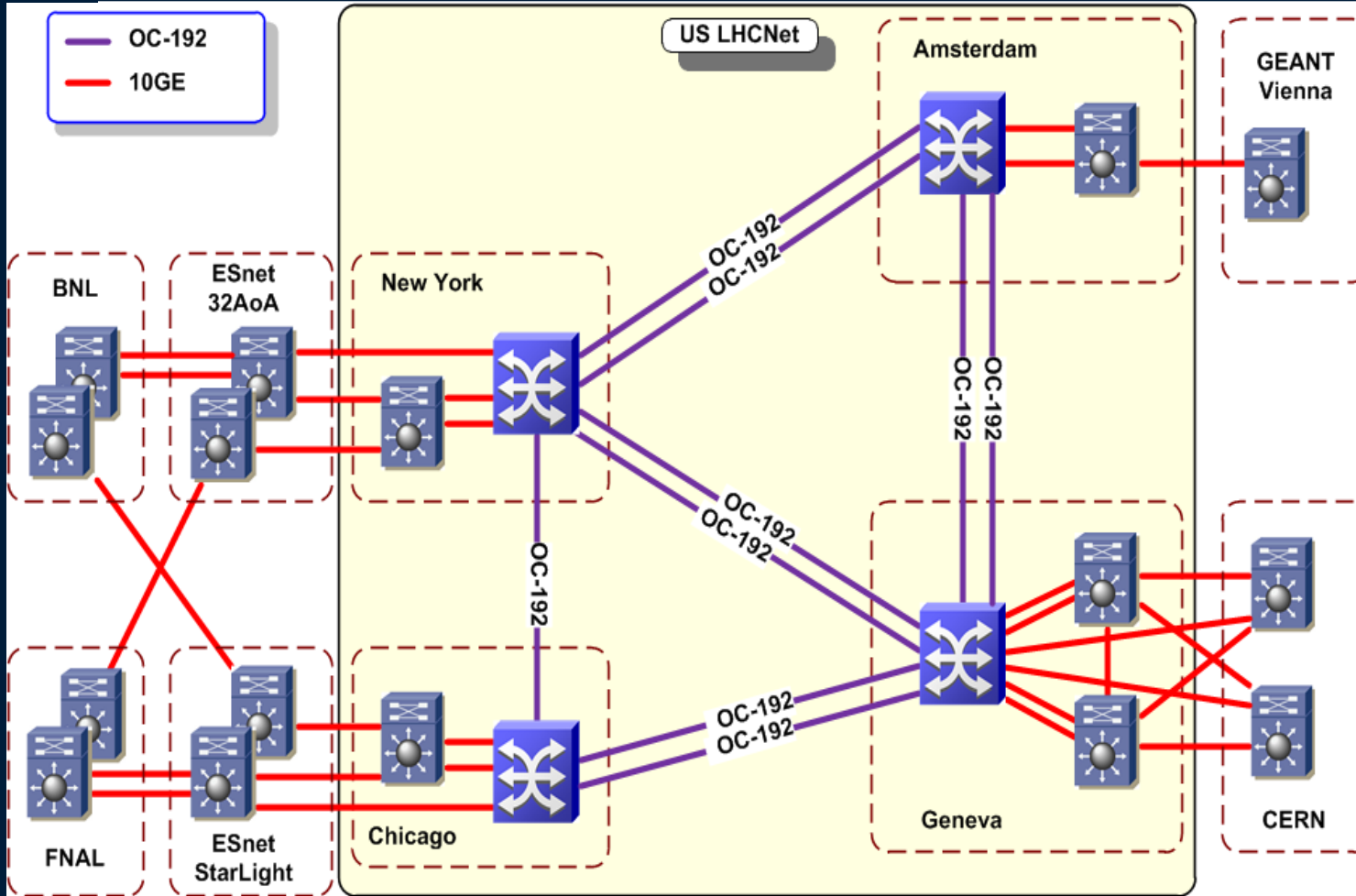
	T0-T1 and T1-T1 traffic		= Alice		= Atlas
	T1-T1 traffic only		= CMS		= LHCb
	Not deployed yet		= internet backup available		
	(thick) >= 10Gbps		p2p prefix: 192.16.166.0/24		
	(thin) < 10Gbps				





US LHCNet in 2011

Non-stop Operation; Circuit-oriented Services



Core: Optical multiservice Switches [*] that provide resilience

Performance enhancing Standard Extensions: VCAT, LCAS

USLHCNet, ESnet, BNL & FNAL: equipment and link redundancy

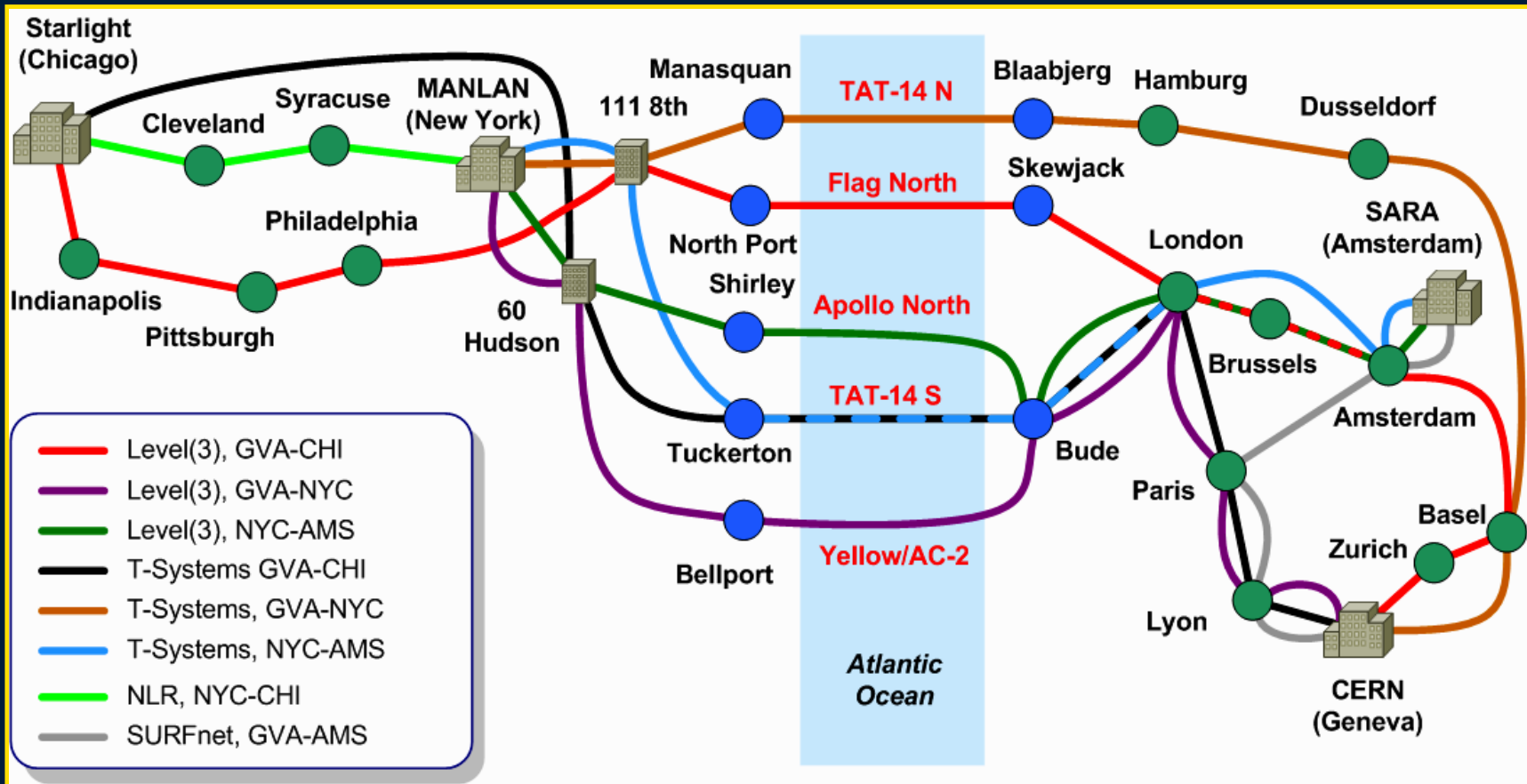
[*] Dynamic circuit-oriented network services with BW guarantees, with robust fallback at layer 1: Hybrid optical network



Path Redundancy for Resilience

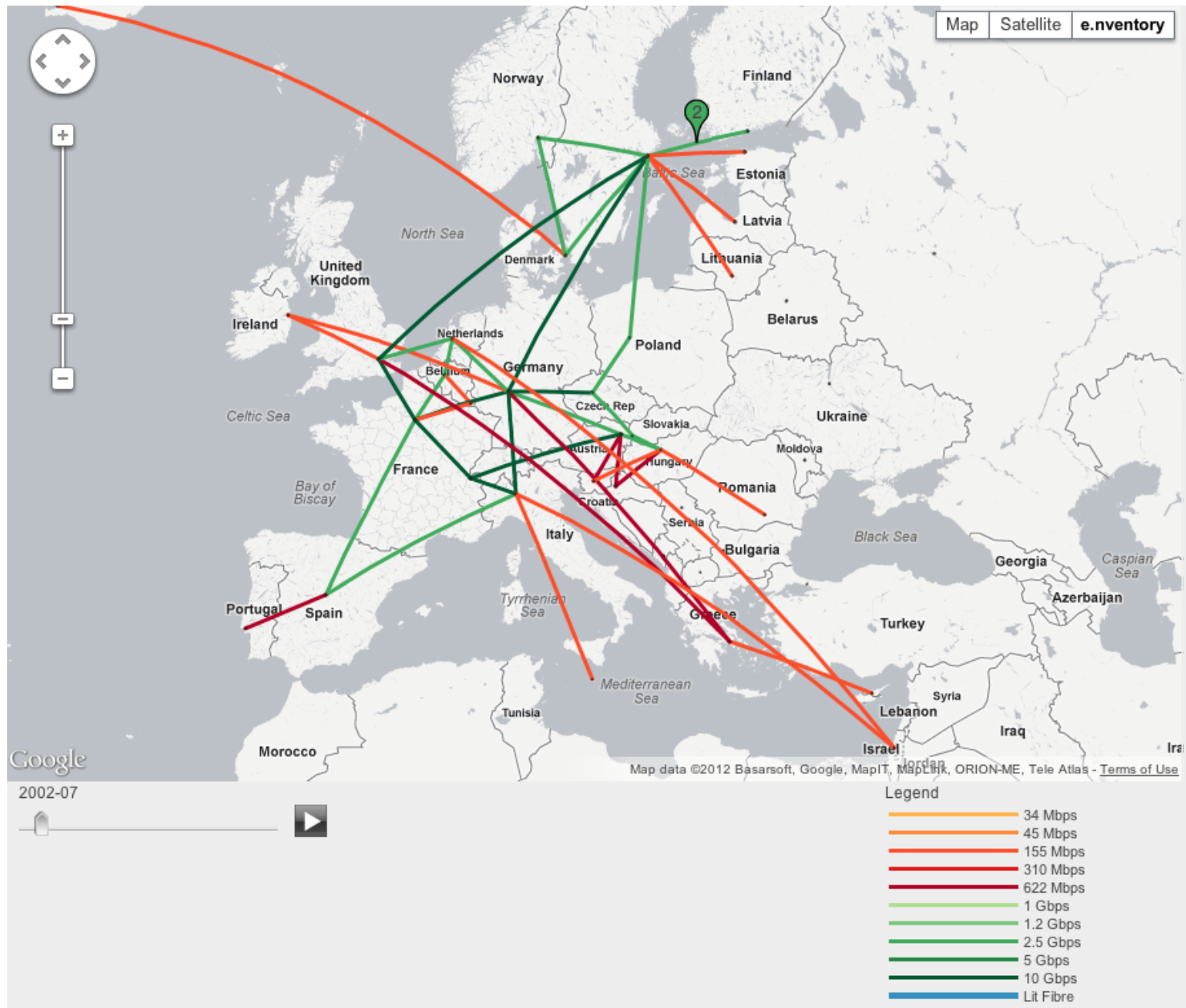


- 6 circuits spread over 5 transatlantic cable systems
- Overlaps on some segments are planned so as to avoid a double hit on the connectivity to a US Tier 1

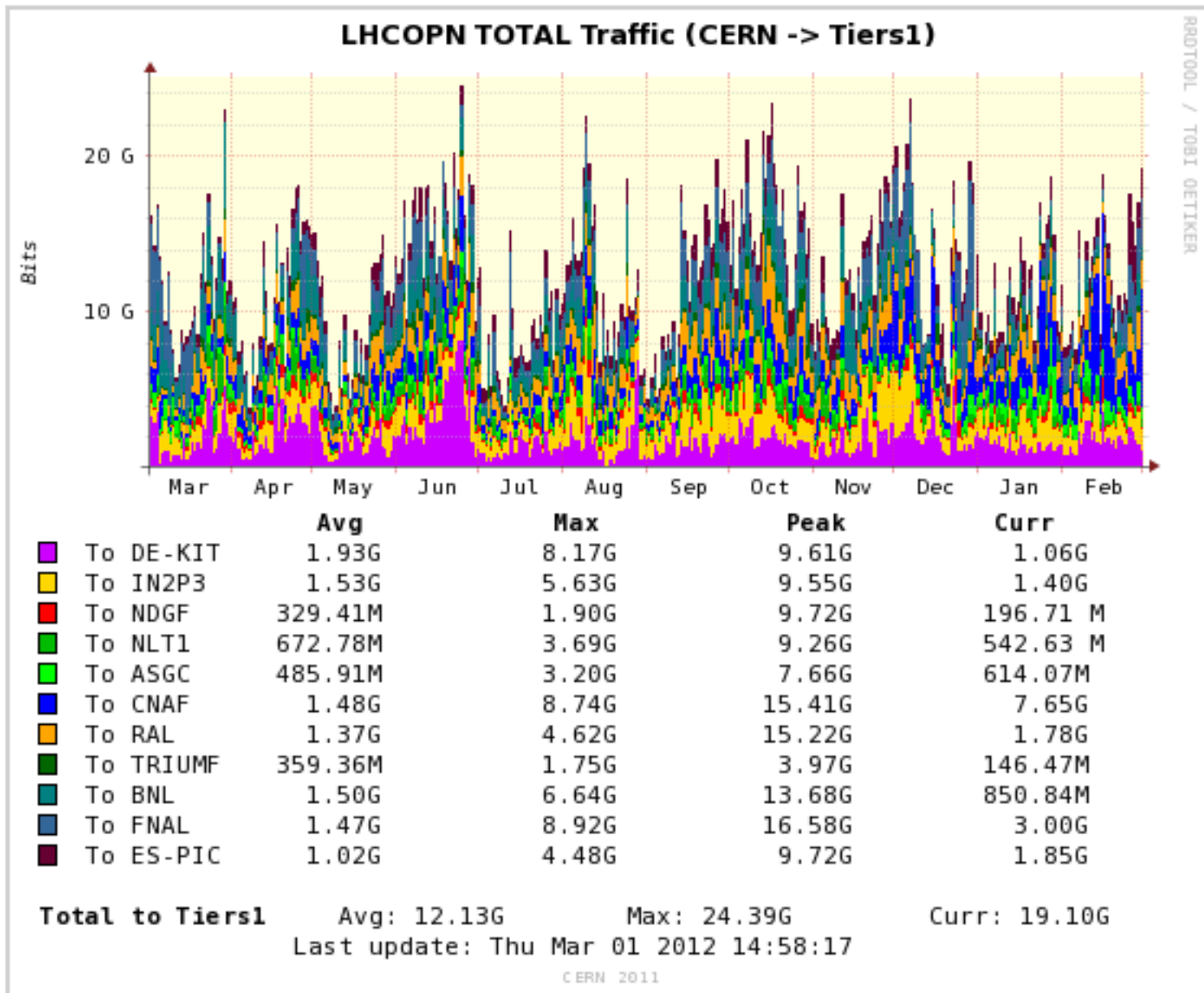


Evolution of Geant

www.enventory.eu



LHCOPN in 2011



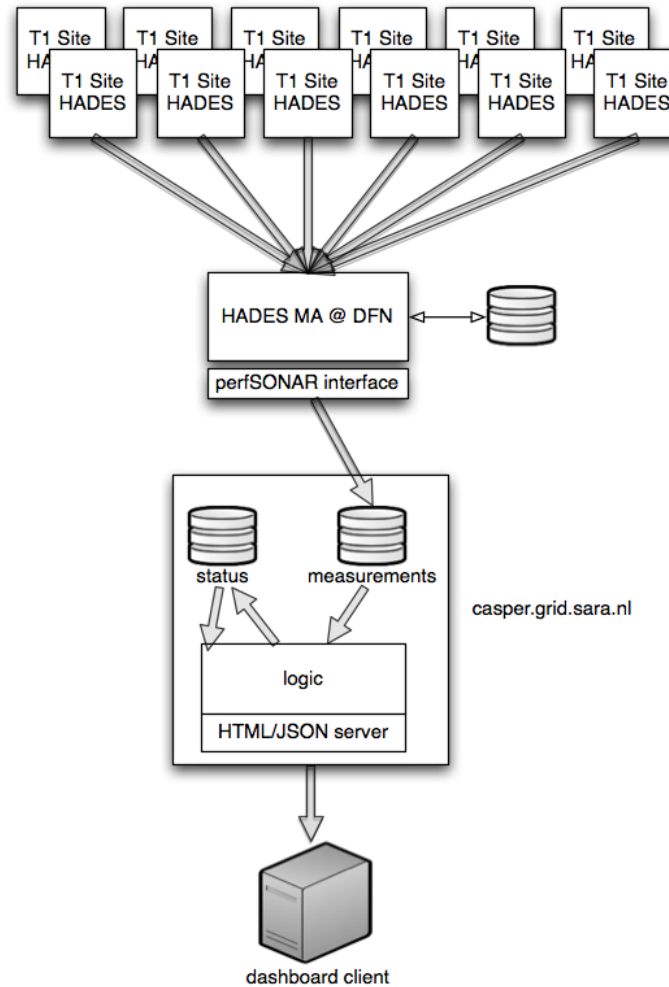
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TCP is a “fragile workhorse”

- TCP is a “fragile workhorse.”
It will not move very large volumes of data over international distances unless the network is error-free. (Very small packet loss rates result in large decreases in performance.)
 - Case study:
 - On a 10 Gb/s link a 0.0046% loss (1 packet in 22,000) was observed
 - In a LAN or metropolitan area network, this level of loss is barely noticeable
 - In a continental-scale network – 88 ms round trip time path (about that of across the US) – this results in an 80x throughput decrease
 - The only way to keep multi-domain, international scale networks error free is to test and monitor continuously end-to-end.
 - The perfSONAR test-monitor system is deployed extensively throughout the OPN network and at the end sites.
 - PerfSONAR is designed for federated operation
 - Each domain maintains control over what data is published
 - Published data is federated in Measurement Archives that tools can use to produce end-to-end, multi-domain views of network performance



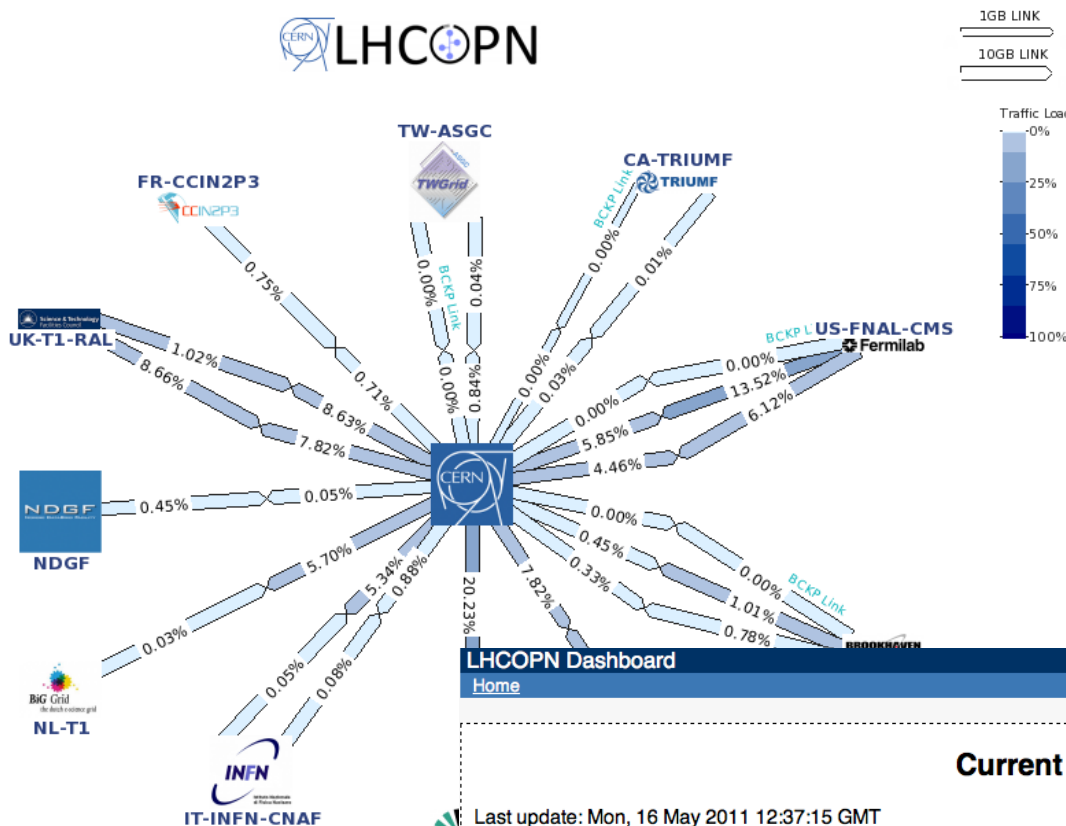
Perfsonar Deployment LHCOPN



Monitoring is Important



LHCOPN



Distributed operations is still a complex issue involving multiple providers and sites.

LHCOPN Dashboard

Home

Current status

Last update: Mon, 16 May 2011 12:37:15 GMT

From / To	CA-TRIUMF	CH-CERN	DE-KIT	ES-PIC	FR-CCIN2P3	IT-INFN-CNAF	NDGF	NL-T1	TW-ASGC	UK-T1-RAL	US-FNAL-CMS	US-T1-BNL
CA-TRIUMF	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK
CH-CERN	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK
DE-KIT	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK
ES-PIC	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK
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UK-T1-RAL	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK
US-FNAL-CMS	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK
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Legend: OK Deviation from Baseline Critical Unknown

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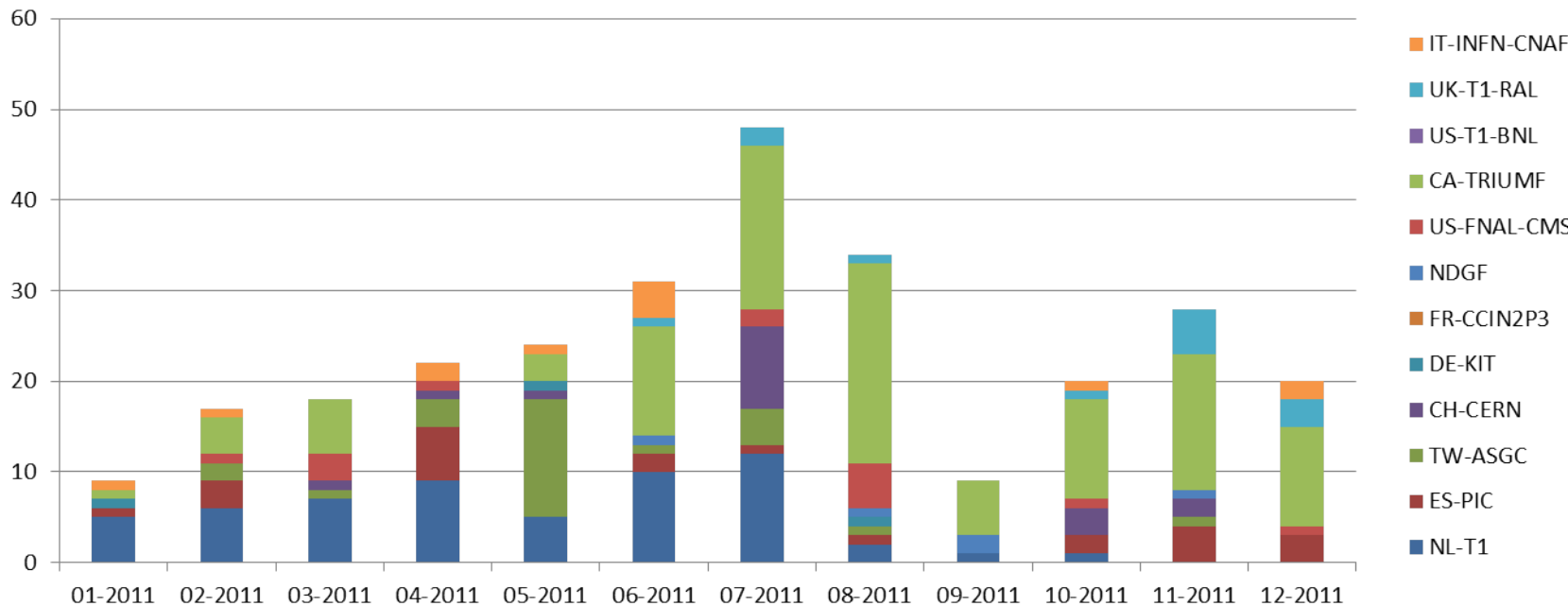
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Regular backup tests:

Site	Date of last backup	Have we a report since 1 year?
CA-TRIUMF	2008-06-03	KO
CH-CERN	2011-10-15	OK
DE-KIT	2011-08-16	OK (partly)
ES-PIC	2011-05-05	OK (partly)
FR-CCIN2P3	2010-03-08	KO
IT-INFN-CNAF	2008-04-09	KO
NDGF	2008-04-09	KO
NL-T1	2009-02-10	KO
TW-ASGC	2010-12-28	KO
UK-T1-RAL	2010-08-24	KO
US-FNAL-CMS	2008-04-24	KO
US-T1-BNL	2008-06-03	KO

More systematic tests planned

Ticket distribution over Tier-1



- 2011 total-# of tickets: 318
- Approx. average of 26,5 per month
- Last quarter : total TTS : 68 → approx 22,5 per month

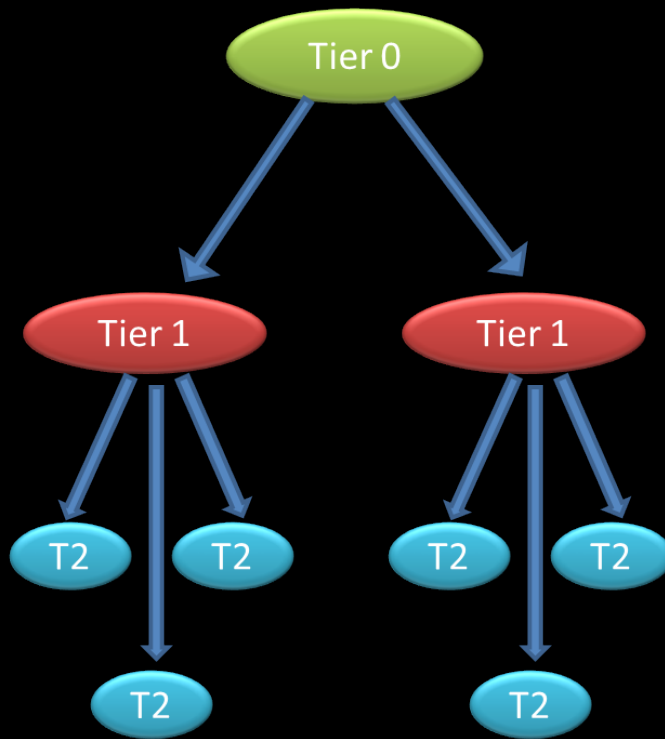


LHCONE

Change of the data model...

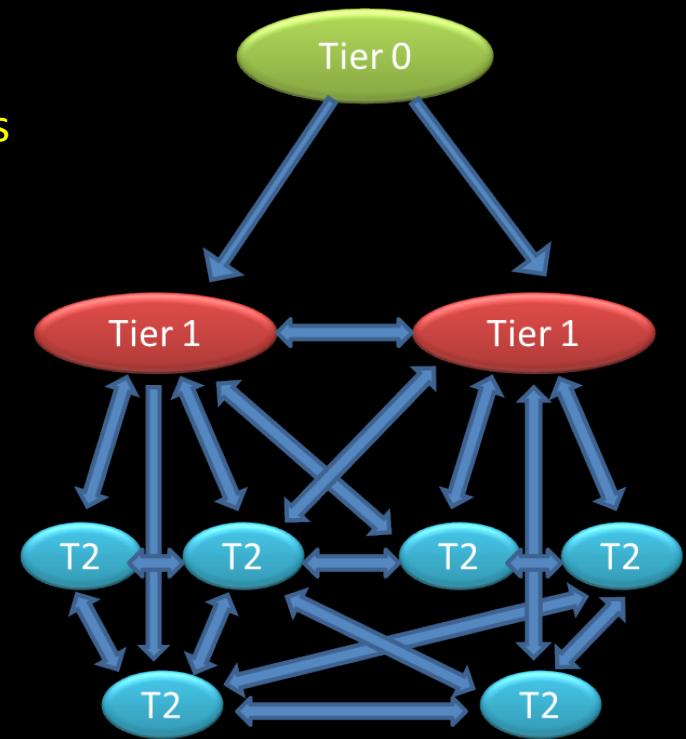
- Data placement will now be based on
 - Organised placement as before where the need is clear
 - Dynamic placement when jobs are sent to a site
 - Data popularity – popular data is replicated – unused data is removed
- Analysis disk becomes a more dynamic cache
- Also start to use remote (WAN) I/O:
 - Fetch a file missing from a dataset
 - Read a file remotely over the network
 - Often means *less* network traffic

Computing model evolution



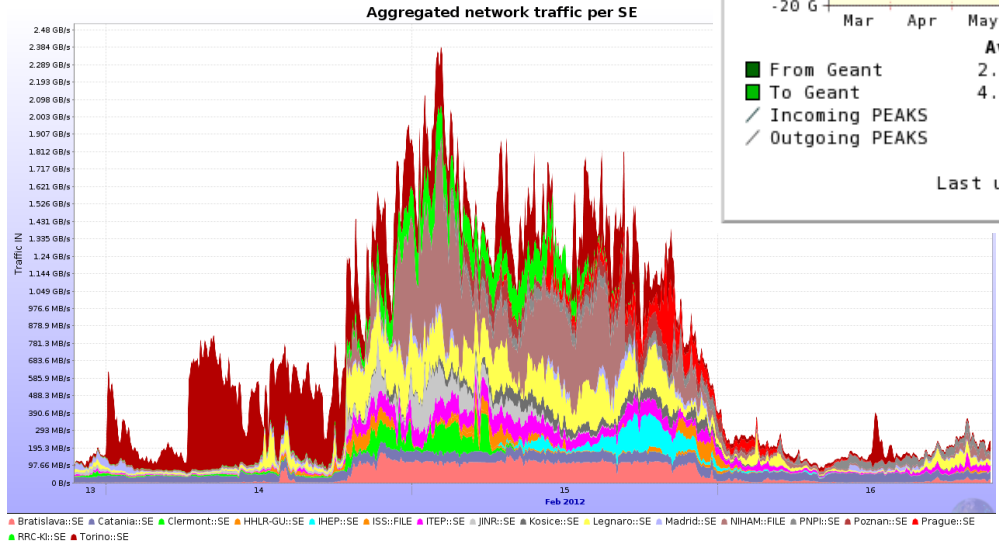
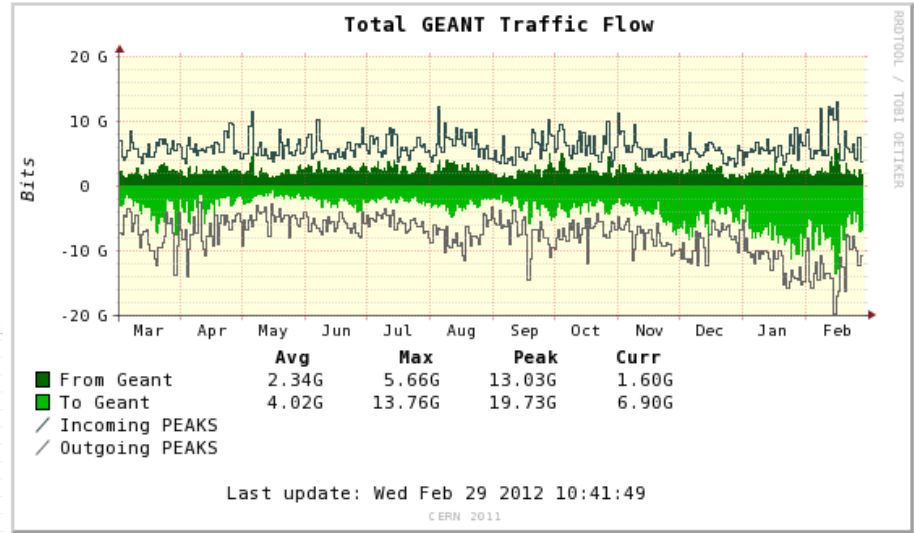
Hierarchy

Evolution of
computing models



Mesh

ALICE Traffic – Special Case



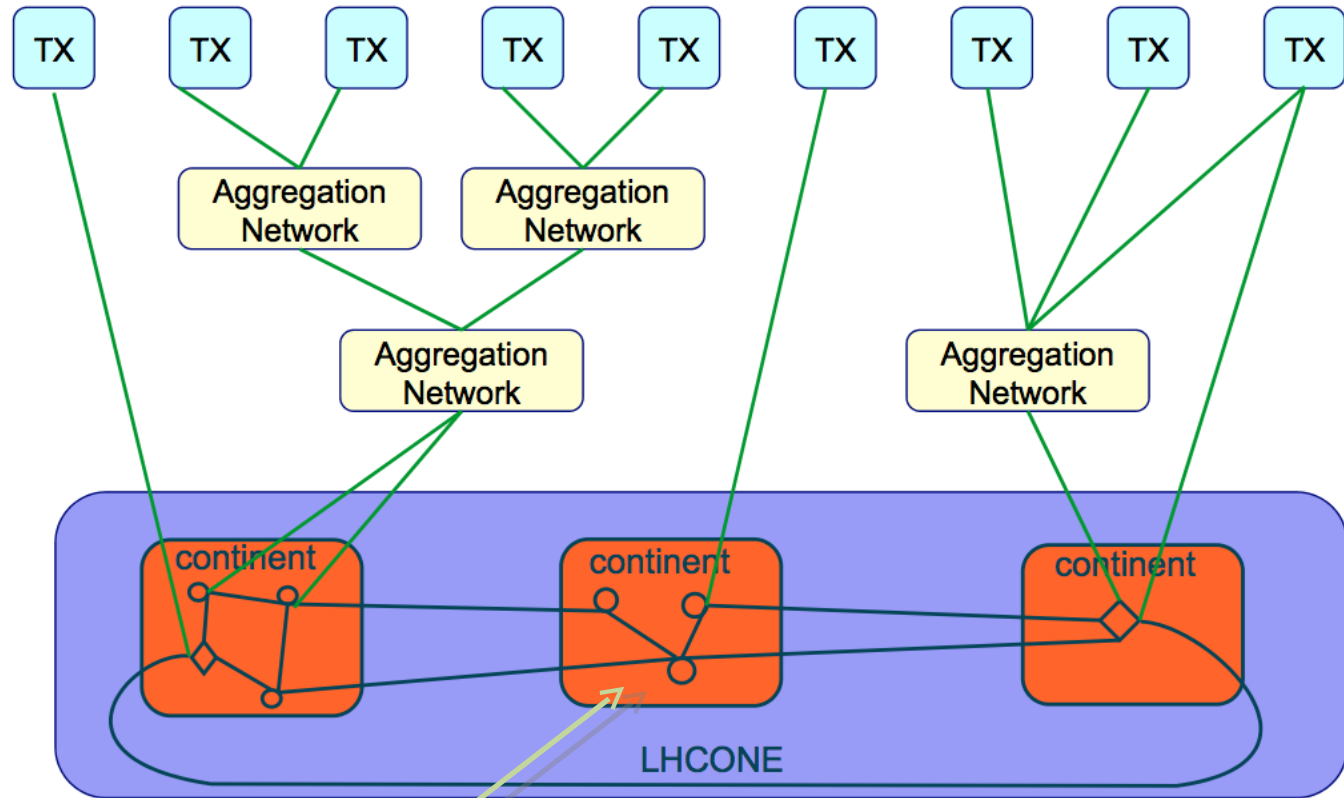
The cause of IP saturation turned out to have been the tail of the ALICE Pb data production with unusual circumstances: the number of concurrent jobs was a factor 2 higher than usual, each dealing with half the normal amount of data, which caused the outgoing traffic to be higher by the same factor and the run to finish twice as fast.

The Birth of LHCONE

- Initially the Tier 2 centers were expected to get data only from their associated national Tier 1 center and networks were planned with this in mind
 - The initial projection of 1 Gb/s T1→T2 is now closer to 10 Gb/s for the large T2s.
 - This hierarchical data flow model broke down fairly quickly when real data analysis started.
 - At that time the T2s started going to any T1 – and even other T2s – that had data that was useful to them.
 - This resulted in the T2s using the general R&E network infrastructure even more extensively and in a more “chaotic” manner.
 - It was not engineered to support frequent, very large data transfers, especially across the Atlantic.
 - To address this issue, the LHCONE – largely an overlay on the existing national networks (a science “VPN”) – was designed and built so that the LHC traffic could be isolated, managed, and provided for without interfering with other traffic.
 - <http://lhcone.net>



LHCONE Architecture 2011



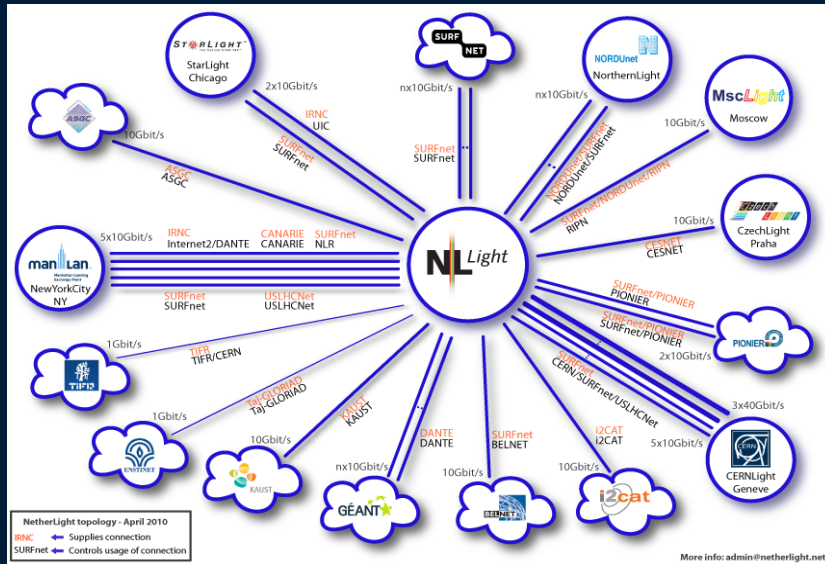
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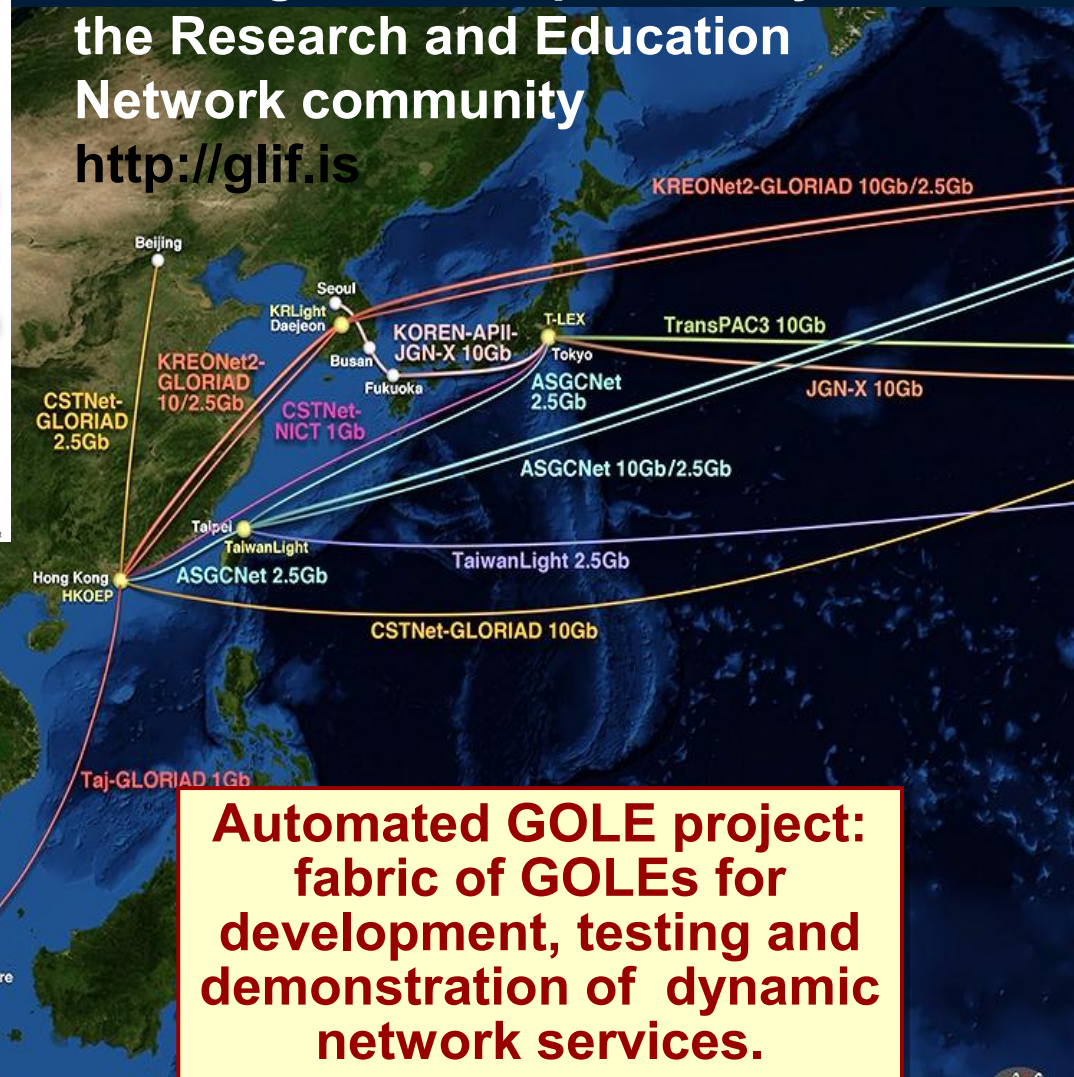


GLIF Open Lightpath Exchanges

GOLE Example: Netherlight in Amsterdam



Exchange Points operated by the Research and Education Network community
<http://glif.is>



Automated GOLE project: fabric of GOLEs for development, testing and demonstration of dynamic network services.

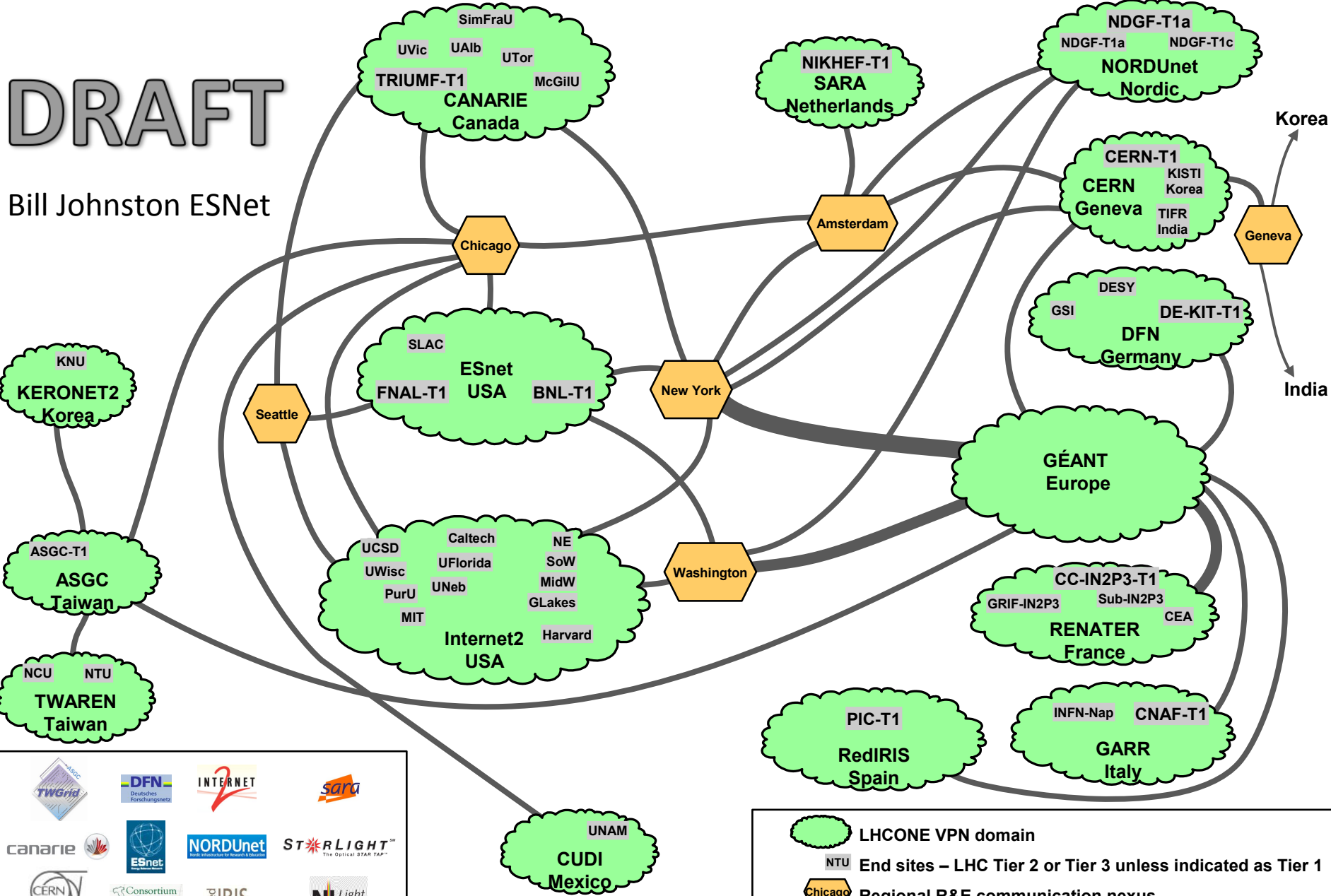
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LHCONE: A global infrastructure for the LHC Tier1 data center – Tier 2 analysis center connectivity

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- LHCONE VPN domain
- End sites – LHC Tier 2 or Tier 3 unless indicated as Tier 1
- Regional R&E communication nexus
- Data communication links, 10, 20, and 30 Gb/s

See <http://lhcone.net> for details.



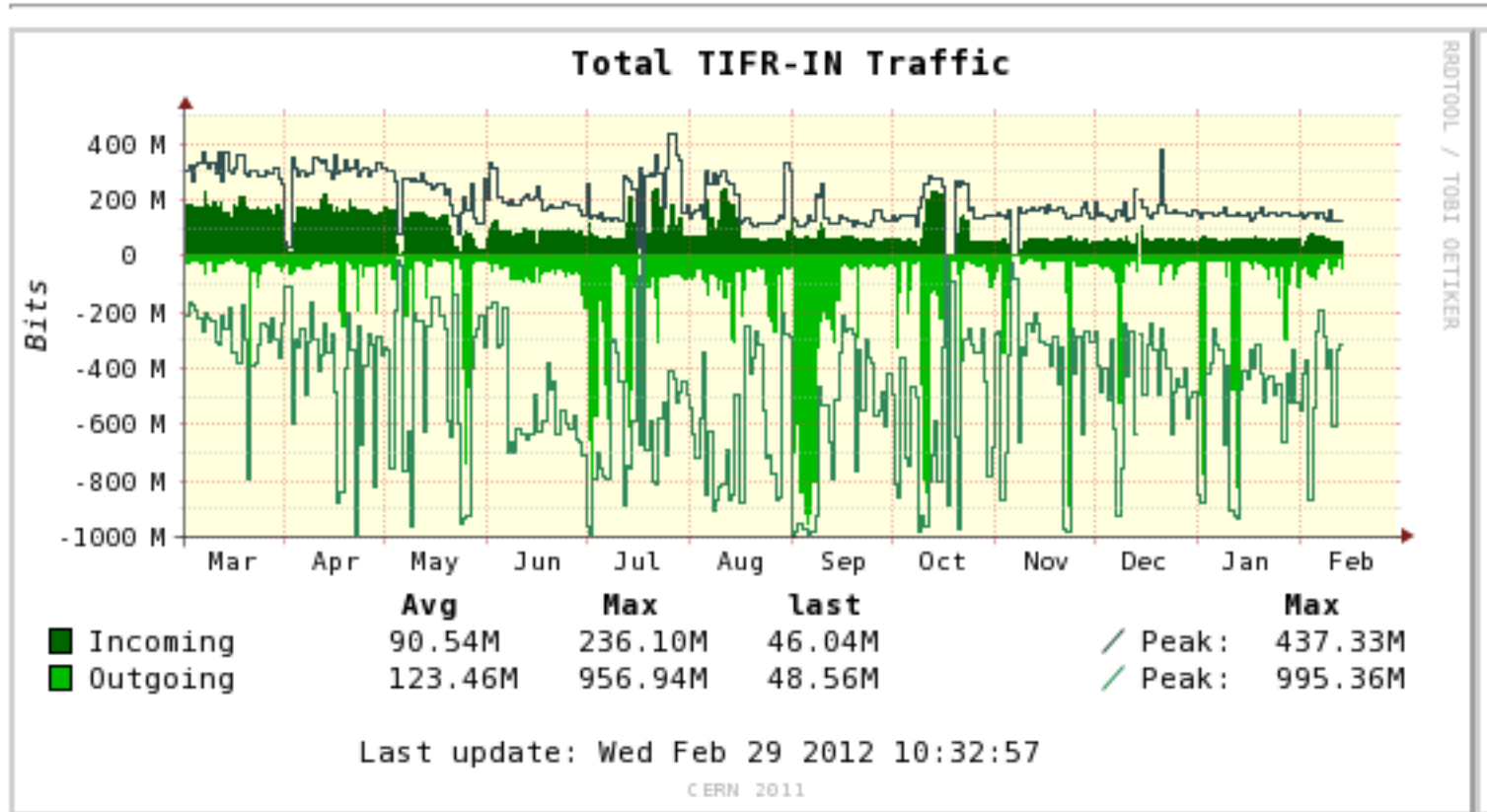
Connecting TIFR

TIFR Link History

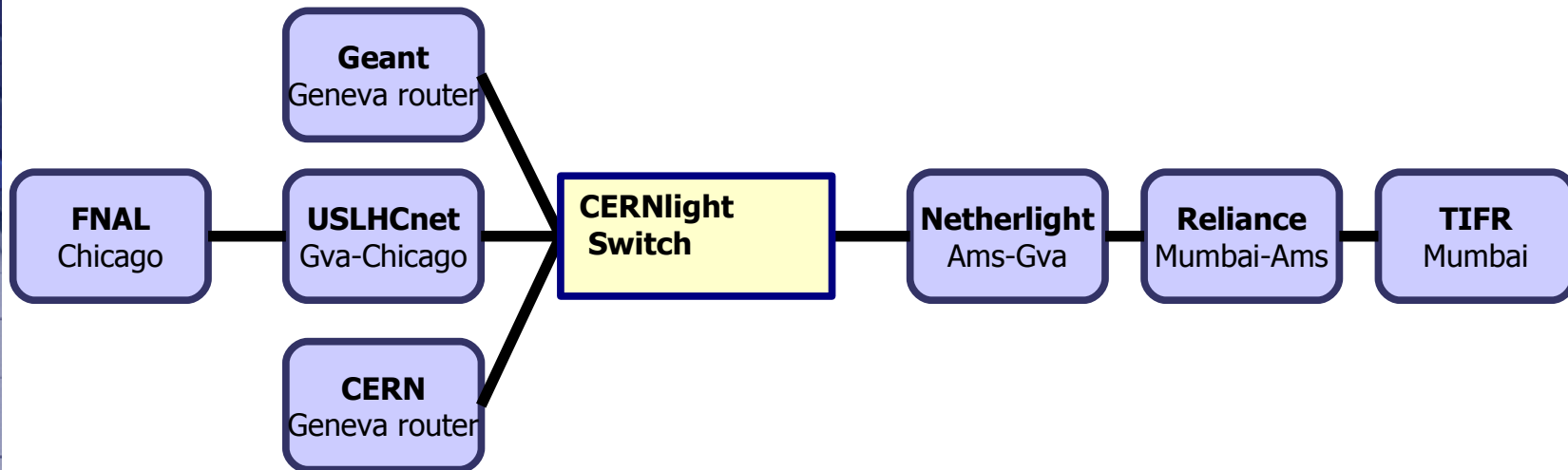
- Contract X106/IT signed 26 July 2007
- 2007-2008: 300M for 18hrs 1G for 6hrs
- 2008-2009: 400M for 18hrs 1G for 6hrs
- 2009-2010: 600M for 18hrs 1G for 6hrs
- 2010-2011: 1G for 24hrs
- 2011-2012: 1G for 18Hrs, 1.5G for 6hrs
 - 1.5G between 10 am and 4 pm Indian Standard Time.
 - 10G interfaces installed to provide for future upgrades.



TIFR – CERN Traffic 2011



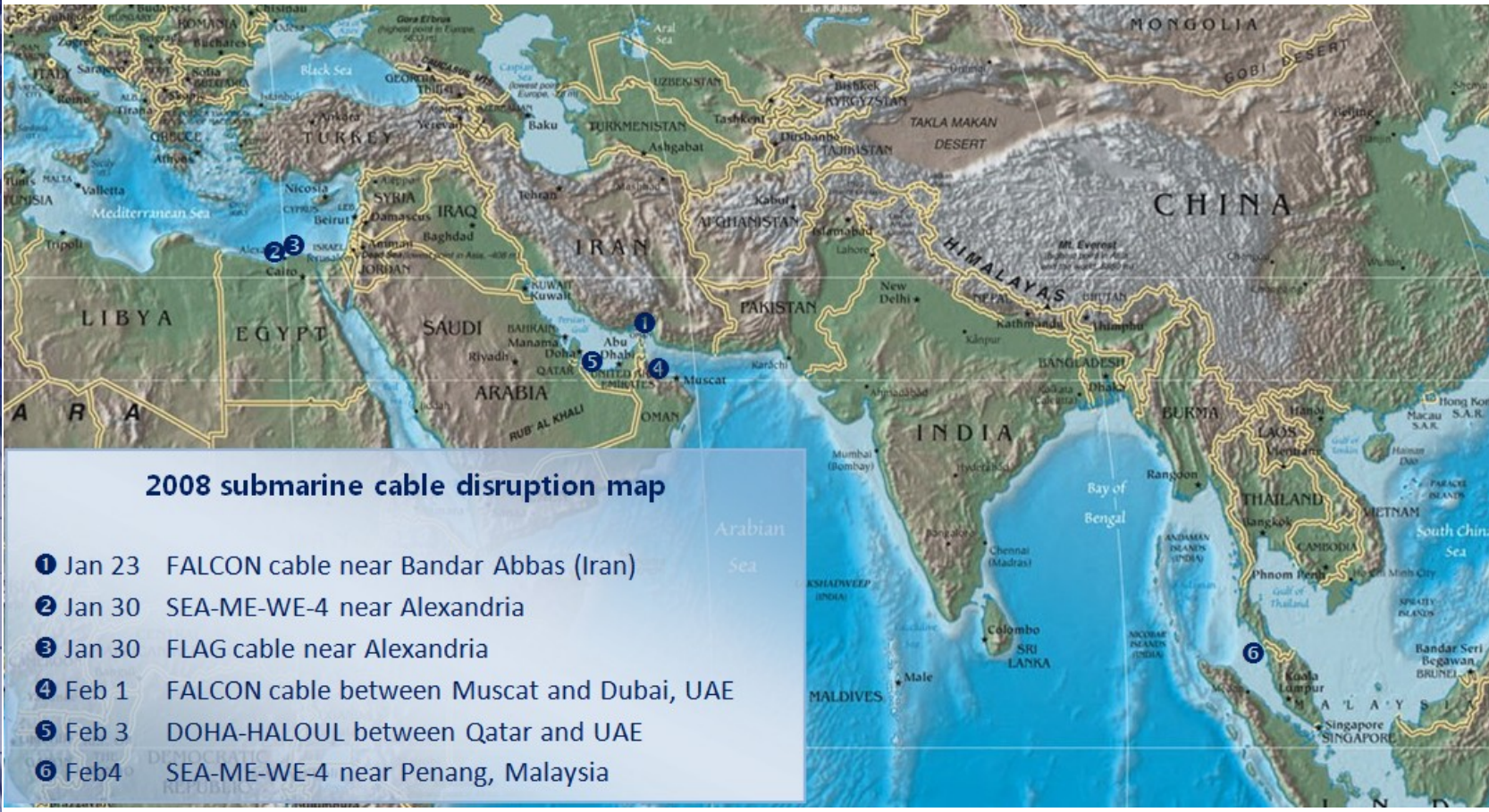
TIFR Connection



Vlan's between TIFR and FNAL, TIFR and CERN, TIFR and GEANT

Submarine Cable Cuts

The value of having a protected circuit





Another Challenge

New CERN Computer Center



Networking Requirements

- Should be an extension of the CERN center
 - Service will be increasingly virtualised.
 - Operations will be remote
 - Essentially a “private cloud”
- 100G circuits by 2 diverse paths
- Could explore wide-area Tb networking in the coming (few) years.
 - Would provide “seamless” integration.
 - 10x100G initially.





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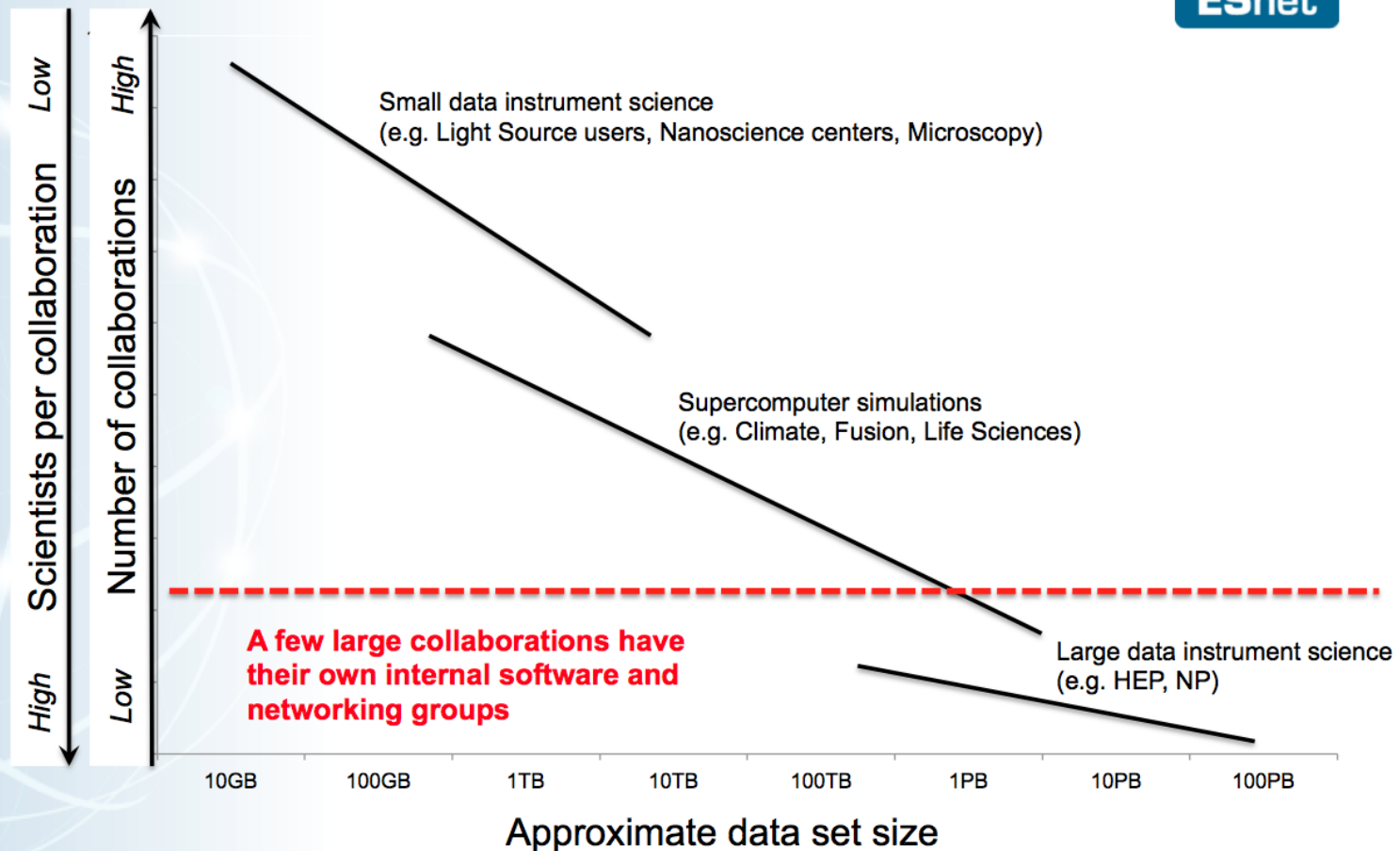


Paralleled by ESnet Roadmap for Data Intensive Sciences

Trends and Lessons



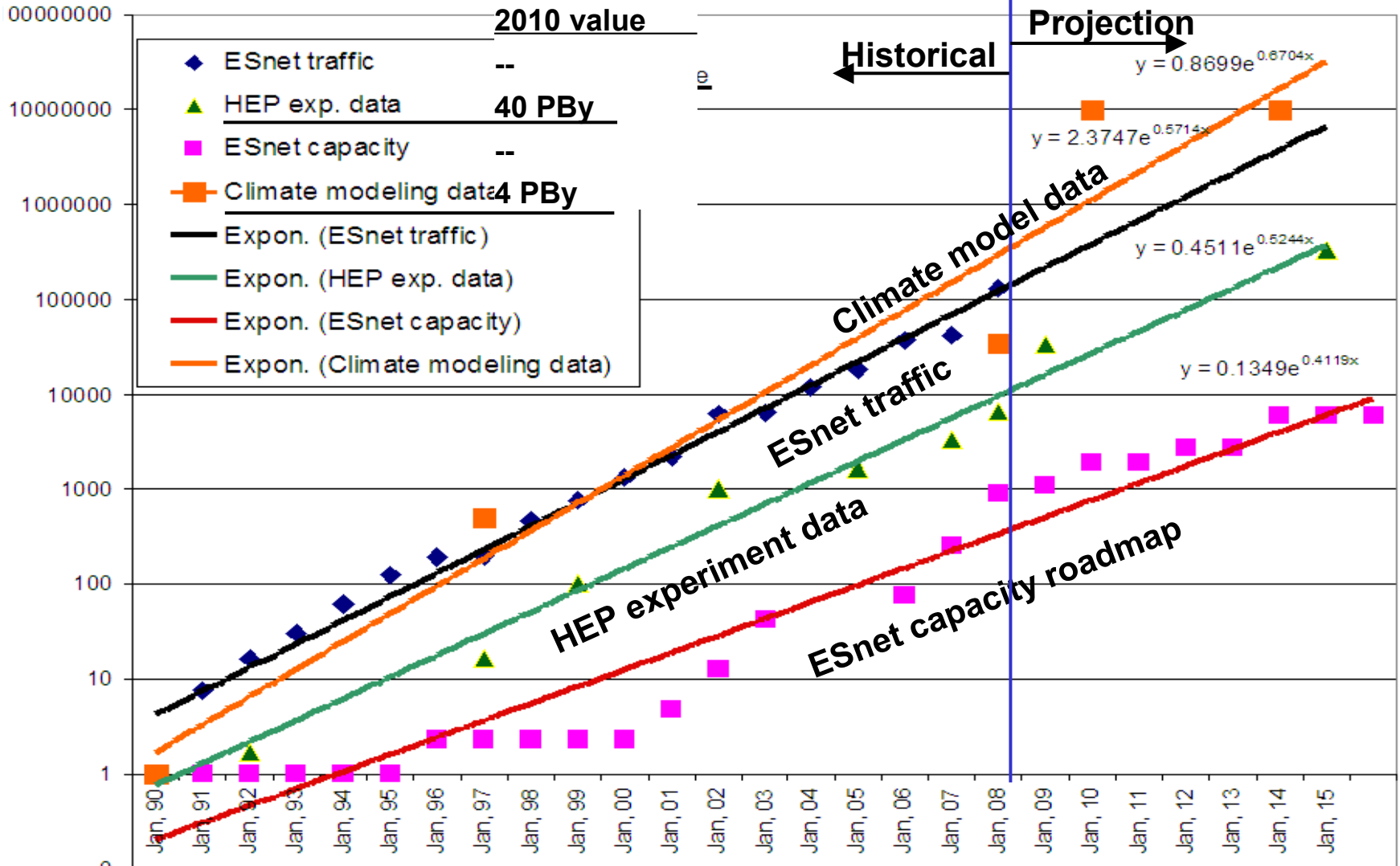
Science Community Classifications



Network Traffic, Science Data, and Network Capacity

Ignore the units of the quantities being graphed they are normalized to 1 in 1990, just look at the long-term trends: **All of the “ground truth” measures are growing significantly faster than ESnet projected capacity based on stated requirements**

All Four Data Series are Normalized to “1” at Jan. 1990



(HEP data courtesy of Harvey Newman, Caltech, and Richard Mount, SLAC. Climate data courtesy Dean Williams, LLNL, and the Earth Systems Grid Development Team.)

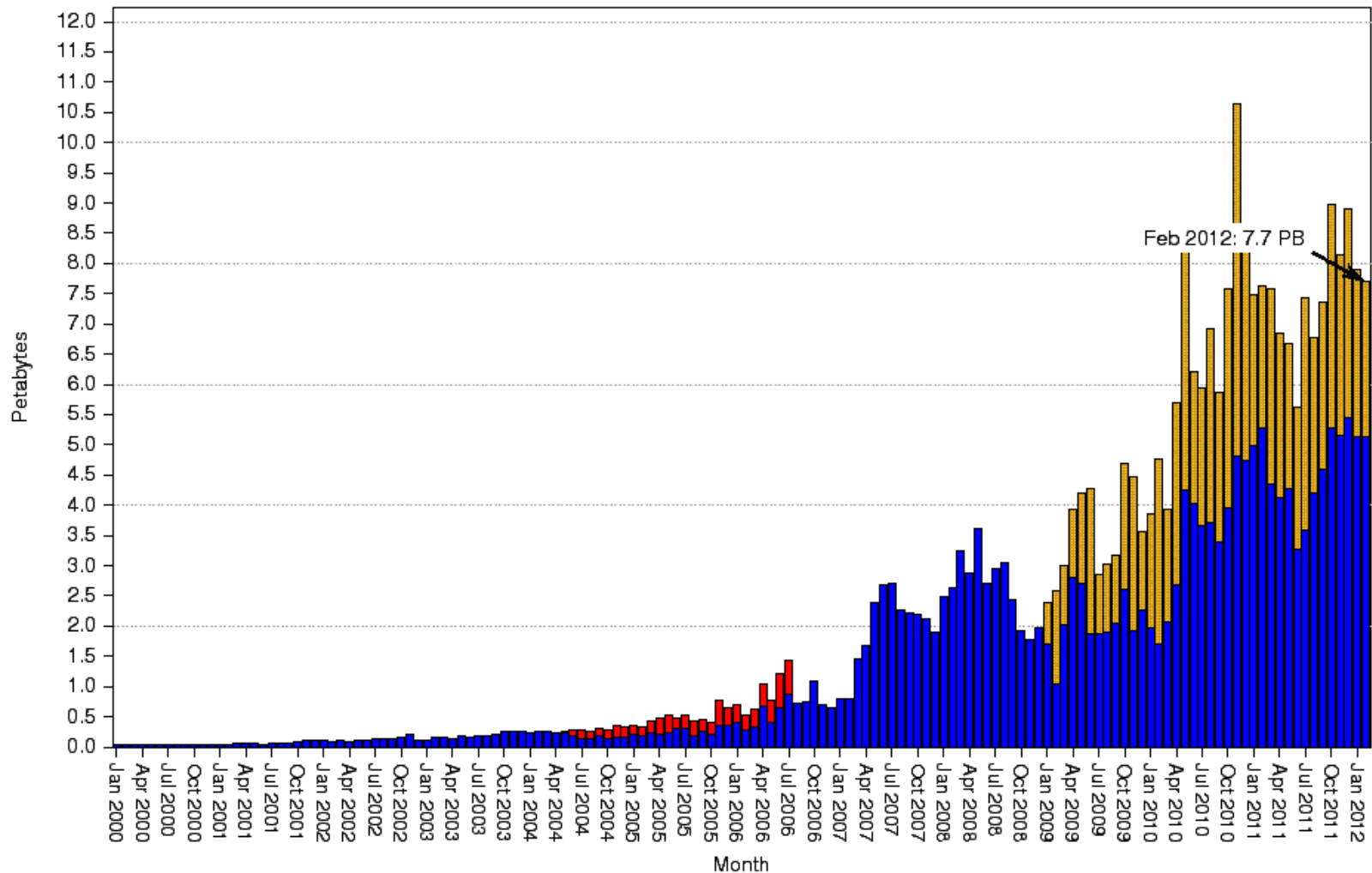
ESNet Traffic



ESnet Accepted Traffic: Jan 2000 - Feb 2012

Petabytes/Month, Maximum Volume: 10.6 PB

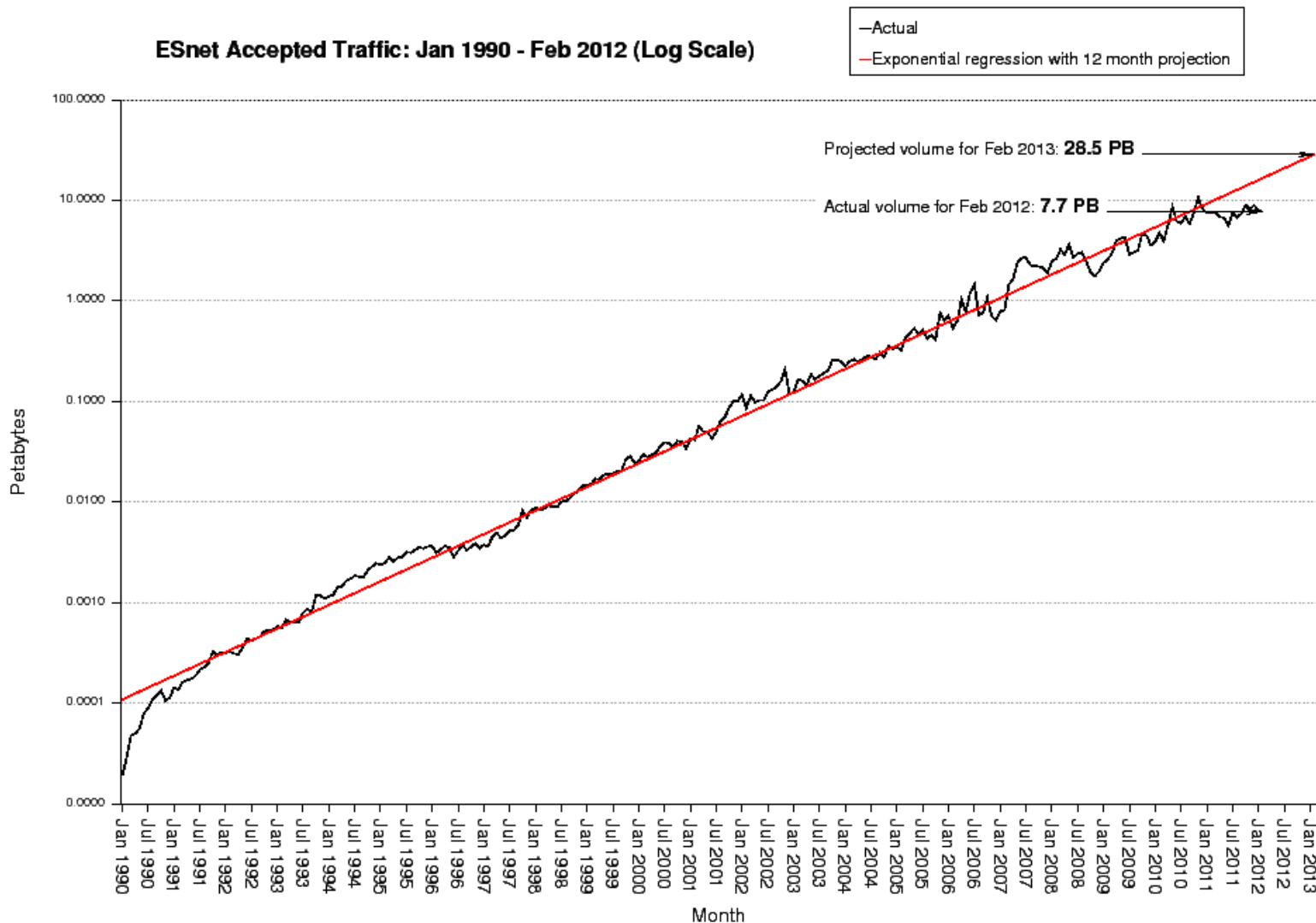
- Traffic Accepted
- OSCARS Accepted
- Top 1000 Host-Host Accepted



ESNet Traffic Evolution

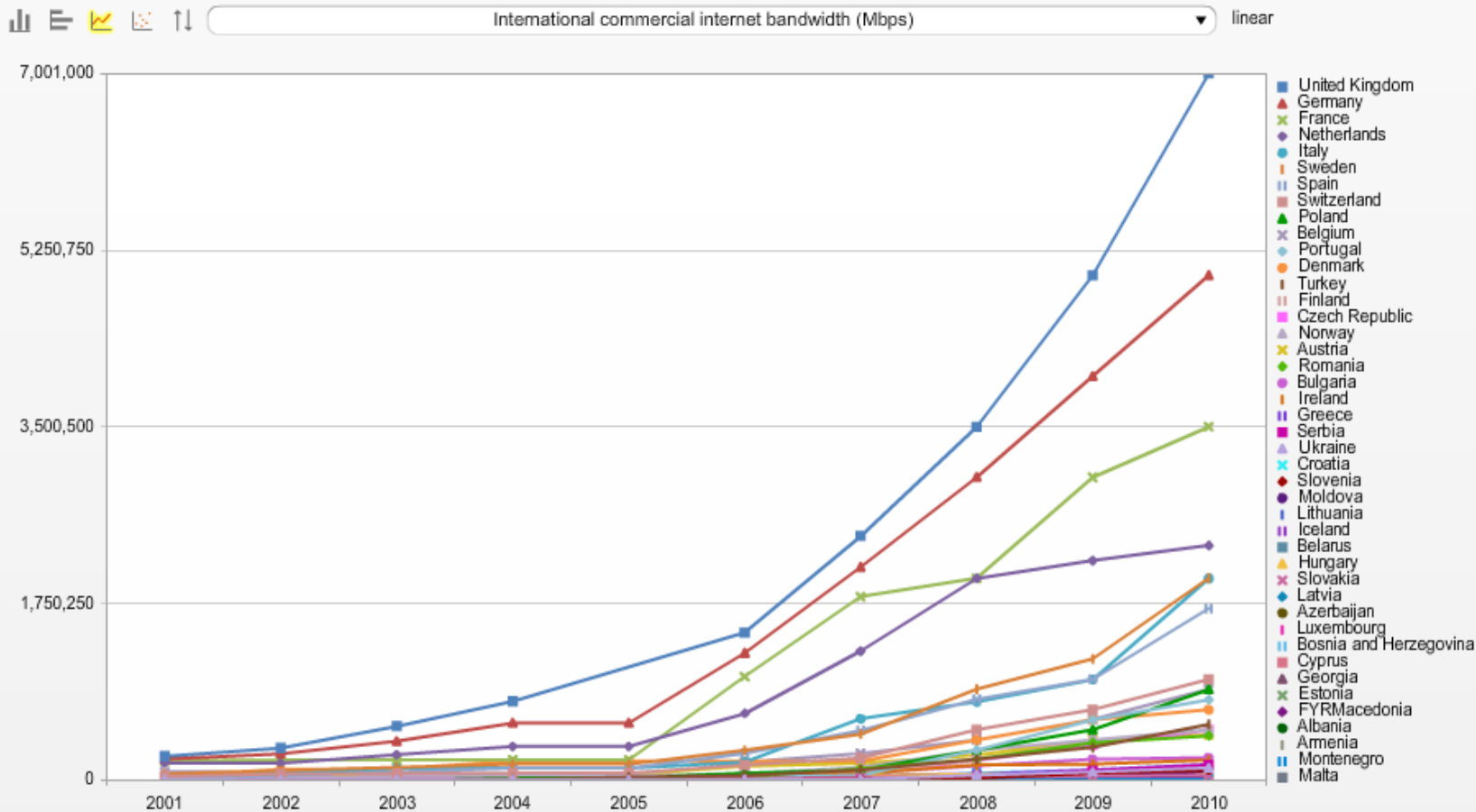


ESnet Accepted Traffic: Jan 1990 - Feb 2012 (Log Scale)



Commercial Internet Bandwidth CERN IT Department

Trends



2001

2010

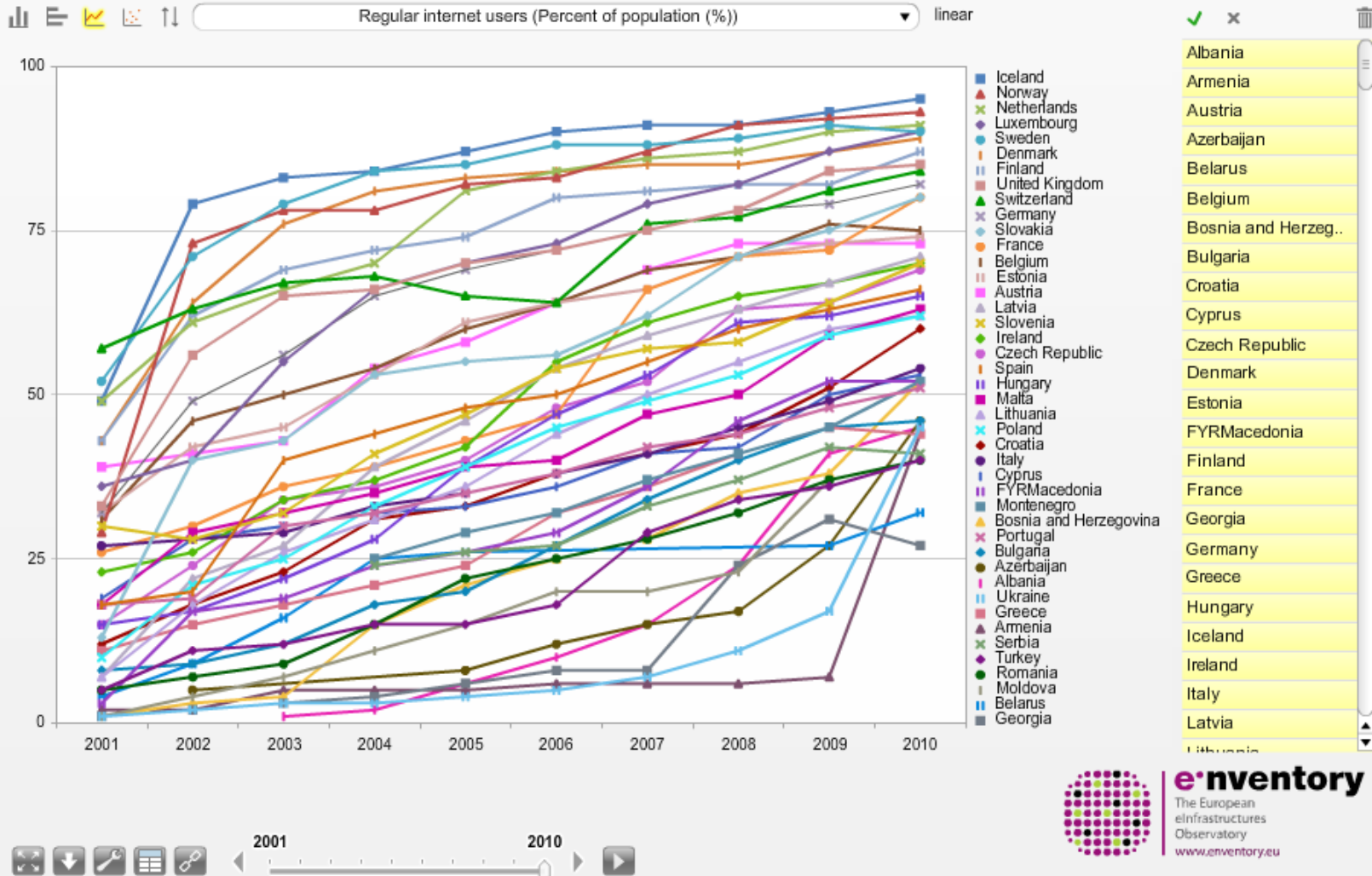


eInventory

The European
infrastructures
Observatory
www.einventory.eu

People and Science

Trends

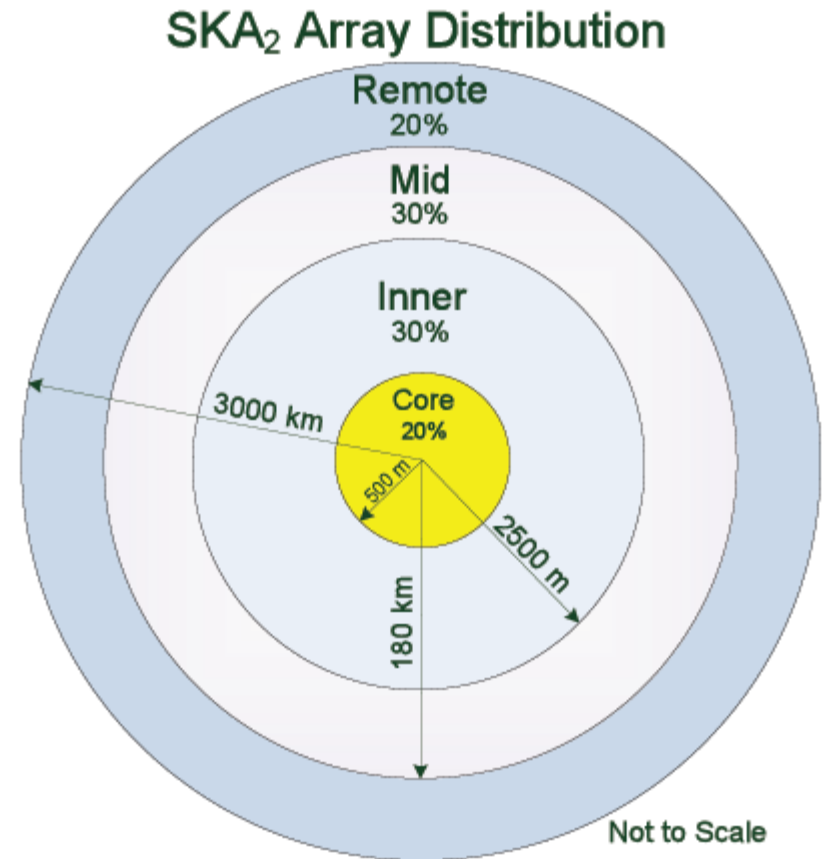


Distribution of SKA collecting area

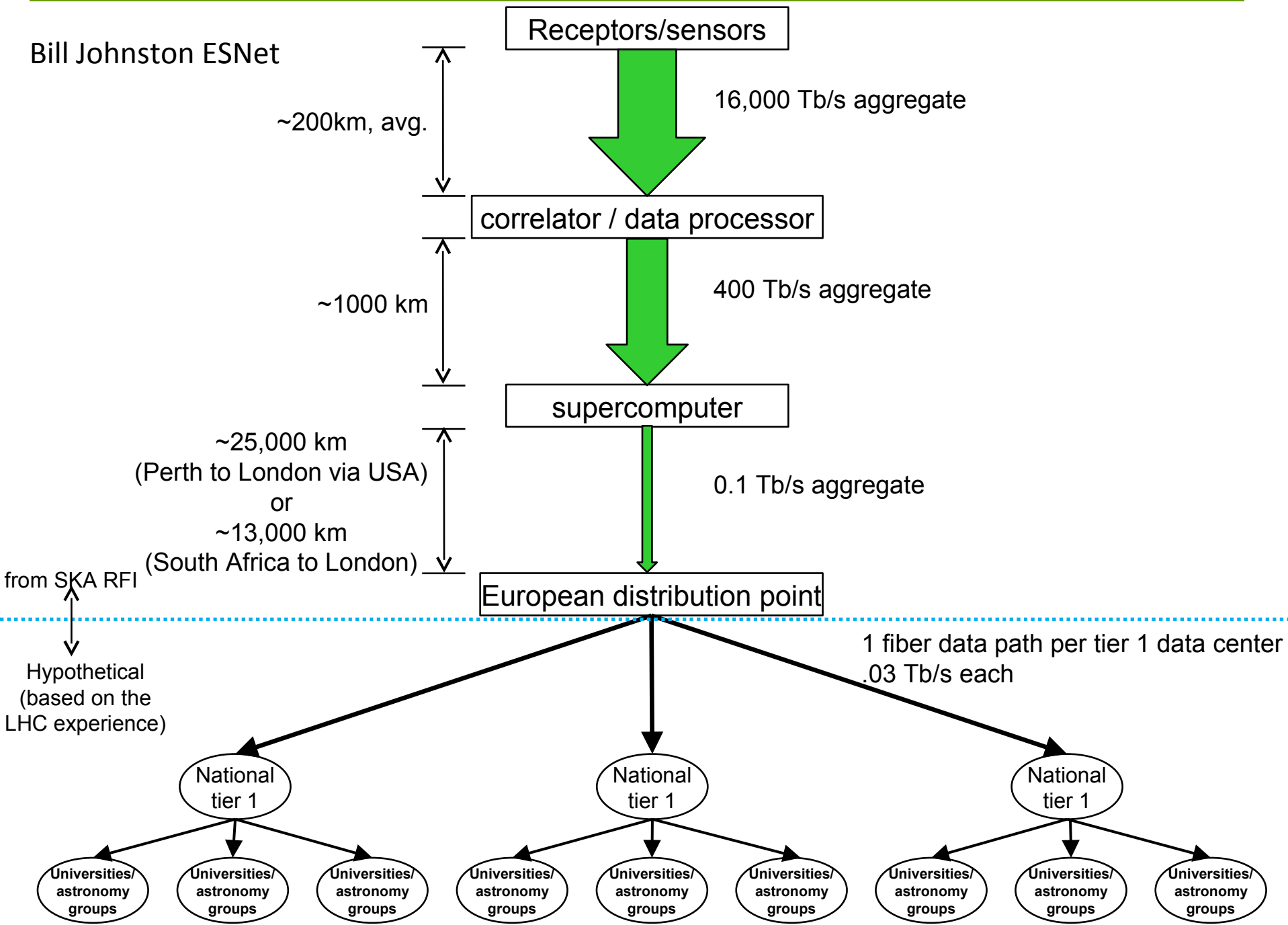
Diagram showing the generic distribution of SKA collecting area in the core, inner, mid and remote zones for the dish array. [1]

- 700 antennae in a 1km diameter **core** area,
- 1050 antennae outside the core in a 5km diameter **inner** area,
- 1050 antennae outside the inner area in a 360km diameter **mid** area, and
- 700 antennae outside the mid area in a **remote** area that extends out as far as 3000km

The core + inner + mid areas are collectively referred to as the **central** area



SKA data flow model



- ***Bandwidth***
 - Adequate network capacity to ensure timely movement of data produced by the facilities
- ***Reliability***
 - High reliability is required for large instruments which now depend on the network to accomplish their science
- ***Connectivity***
 - Geographic reach sufficient to connect users and collaborators and analysis systems to facilities, instruments and supercomputers.
- ***Services***
 - Guaranteed bandwidth, traffic isolation, end-to-end monitoring
 - Network ***service delivery architecture***
 - SOA / Grid / “Systems of Systems”



Broader Impact of the LHC Computing Grid

- Experience with the LHC Computing Grid has been leveraged to benefit the wider scientific community

- Europe:

- Enabling Grids for E-science (EGEE) 2004-2010
- European Grid Infrastructure (EGI) 2010--

- USA:

- Open Science Grid (OSG) 2006-2012 (+ extension?)

- Many scientific applications →
- Architectures for future Big Science applications

Archeology
Astronomy
Astrophysics
Civil Protection
Comp. Chemistry
Earth Sciences
Finance
Fusion
Geophysics
High Energy Physics
Life Sciences
Multimedia
Material Sciences

...



Two New Initiatives



A new initiative

- Promoted by EMI in collaboration with EGI, StratusLab, iMarine, OpenAIRE and a number of other projects and SMEs

With the goal of

- Exploring the feasibility and advantages of creating an open source community for software specific to scientific communities
- Collecting community requirements, propose realistic solutions
- Making the activities of producing and using open source software for science more transparent and collaborative across communities and projects

- Lack of continuity in support, development, coordination of software
- Non-optimal communication between users and developers
- Lack of consistent real usage information
- Limited access to other users experience
- Limited or complex ways of finding what exists already
- No way of influencing the production of software
- Lack of visibility of the software activities
- No way of assessing the user “market”

- More information about software and its usage
 - Categorization, usage and technical metrics
 - Assessment of costs, resource optimization
 - Supporting evidence for funding requests
 - Software licenses adoption and compliance, compatibility checks
 - More visibility for developers, more information and transparency for users
 - Peer-reviewed information

- Marketplace for products, services, people
 - Match demand and offer, commercial support
- Links to technical services:
 - Support, testing, deployment
 - Provided by users to users or by third-parties (including commercial companies)
- Platform integration support (third-party)
 - Definition and sharing of community-specific profiles or software stacks
 - Deployment using cloud or grid technologies

- Support for creation of customized community and group portals
 - By technical interests, scientific domain, etc.
 - Coordination, collaboration and discussion tools
- Support for organization of technical events

Requirements/Gaps

- Lack of continuity in support, development, coordination of software
- Non-optimal communication between users and developers
- Lack of consistent real usage information
- Limited access to other users' experience
- Limited or complex ways of finding what exists already
- Limited possibilities of influencing the production of software
- Lack of visibility and recognition of development activities
- No way of assessing the user “market” and potential revenues

Possible solutions

- Software and services catalogues
- Generation of usage statistics
- Honour system (Peer-reviews)
- Citation system to allow software to be referenced in papers
- Marketplace for products, services, and people to match user needs and software products and skills
- Platform integration support based on the catalogues information
- Support for creation of ad-hoc communities and groups
- Coordination, collaboration and discussion tools
- Support for organization of technical events

 **ScienceSoft**
open software for open science

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Marketplace

Explore a rich marketplace of software, services and professional skills. Match requirements against the available offers and share ideas and solutions

What is it?

ScienceSoft is an initiative to assist scientific communities in finding the software they need, to promote the development and use of open source software for scientific research and provide a one-stop-shop to match user needs and software products and services

Who is it for?

It is for developers to share their software for science; for researchers to find software, get support, express recommendations; for companies to offer services; for funding bodies and sponsors to assess the impact of projects and the value of their investments

Why use it?

ScienceSoft allows to promote projects, find the right software and services for your scientific community and connect to people developing or using them. It allows to take decisions based on information shared and verified by a large community of researchers

News and events

- 1st ScienceSoft Workshop (06-01-2012) [updated](#) [edit](#) [delete](#)
[Alberto Di Meglio](#)
- ScienceSoft design phase starts (05-12-2011) [updated](#) [edit](#) [delete](#)
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- ScienceSoft - Open Software for Open Science [updated](#) [edit](#) [delete](#)

ScienceSoft - Open Software for Open Science

Submitted by [Alberto Di Meglio](#) on Thu, 12/01/2011 - 09:30

There is a wealth of open source software in use across scientific communities but the value of its contribution to science is under-estimated, under-utilised and often poorly coordinated. Some websites such as ohloh (<http://www.ohloh.net/>) offer directories that attempt to rate the quality and impact of open source software projects, but currently lack the means of attracting developers and users from academic communities and harvesting a large enough body of essential data to make their results meaningful for the scientific research environments.



<http://sciencesoft.org>



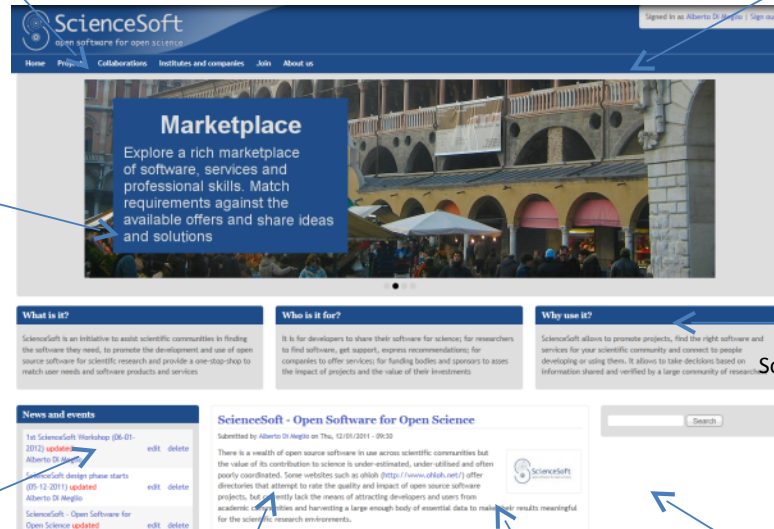
Software inventory and metrics



Community tools and services (source code repos, image repos, testbeds, etc.)



Web and collaboration tools



Software management procedures

Source code repositories



Event management

Deployment and engineering services



The brands and projects show here have not officially endorsed in any way ScienceSoft and are used as examples of possible functionality providers

4 phases

- Concept, Design, Implementation, Operations

Concept phase:

- January 2012 to June 2012
- Discuss, share ideas, pros and cons, decide whether there is something worth pursuing or not

Design should not start later than June



<http://sciencesoft.org/join>

- Its like the difference between “Pay as you View” TV and a “Film Club”
 - Resource allocation and ownership
 - Economic model
 - Collaboration model
 - Operational model
 - Service model
- But they are complementary, you may use both!



Objectives of the initiative

- Set up a cloud computing infrastructure for European Research Area
- Identify and adopt policies for trust, security and privacy on a European-level
- Create a light-weight governance structure involving all stakeholders
- Define a short and medium term funding scheme



A Collaboration Initiative

**European Commission
& relevant projects**

**User organisations
*Demand-side***

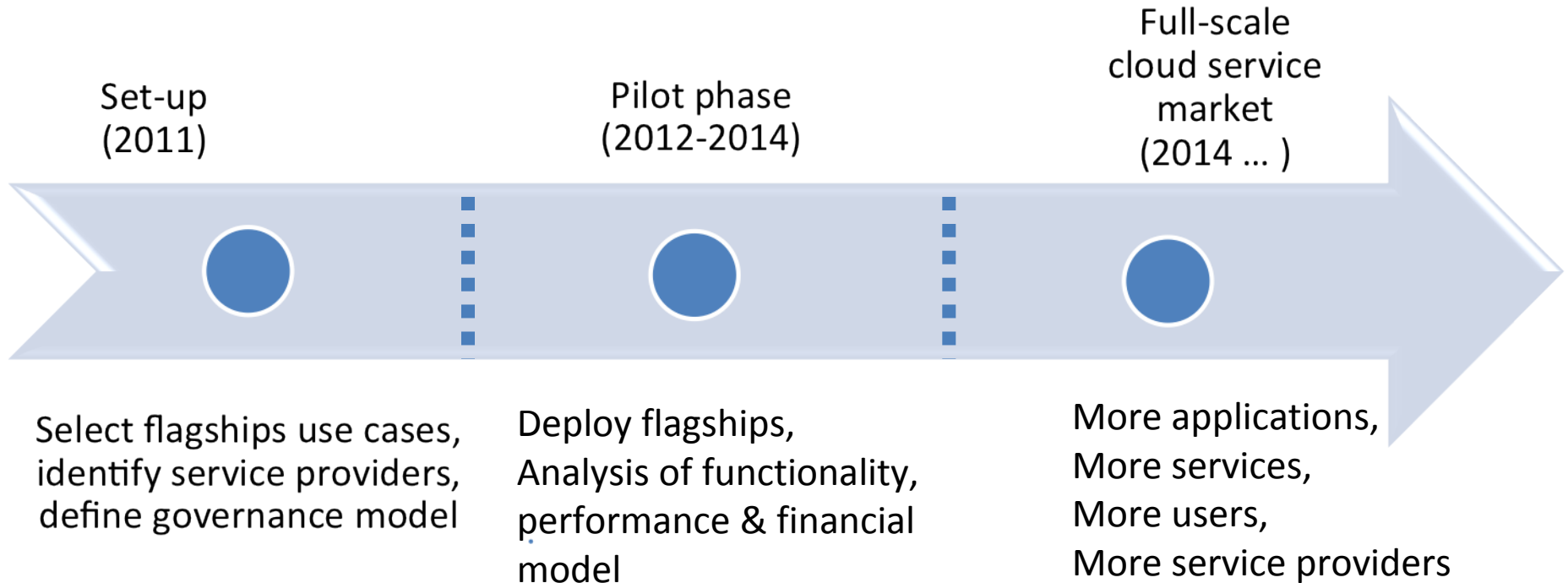
**European
Cloud Computing
Strategy**

**Commercial Service
Providers
*Supply-side***

Bringing together all the stakeholders to establish a **public-private partnership**

Supply-side companies: Atos Origin, BT Services, Cap Gemini, CloudSigma, Interoute, Logica, Orange, SAP, Terradue, The ServerLabs, T-Systems, SixSq, Terradue, Thales, Telefonica, EGI.eu, OpenNebula, etc.

Timeline



Pilot Phase

- Through the pilot phase we expect to explore/push a series of perceived barriers to Cloud adoption:
 - **Security:** Unknown or low compliance and security standards
 - **Reliability:** Availability of service for business critical tasks
 - **Data privacy:** Moving sensitive data to the Cloud
 - **Scalability/Elasticity:** Will the Cloud scale-up to our needs
 - **Network performance:** Data transfer bottleneck; QoS
 - **Integration:** Hybrid systems with in-house/legacy systems
 - **Vendor lock-in:** Dependency on vendors once data & applications have been transferred to the Cloud
 - **Legal concerns:** Such as who has legal liability
 - **Transparency:** Clarity of conditions, terms and pricing



Flagship use cases Participating Suppliers



the IT architects

Flagship use cases

	ATLAS H.E.P. Cloud Use (CERN)	Genomic Assembly in the Cloud (EMBL)	SuperSites Exploitation Platform (ESA/CNES/DLR)
Scientific goal/society impact/photogenic	•	•	•
Scale of resources used	•	•	
Federation/Aggregation of datasets		•	•
Long-term archiving of data			•
On-demand processing	•	•	•
Impact on community & benefits	•	•	•
Potential increase of users	•	•	•
Interoperability	•	•	•
Data security	•	•	•
Maturity	•	•	•
Access to license-controlled sw			•

- ATLAS Cloud Computing R&D is a young initiative
 - Active participation, almost 10 persons working part time on various topics
 - Goal: How we can integrate cloud resources with our current grid resources?
- **Data processing and workload management (Today's topic)**
 - PanDA queues in the cloud
 - Centrally managed, non-trivial deployment but scalable
 - Benefits ATLAS & sites, transparent to users
 - Tier3 analysis clusters: instant cloud sites
 - Institute managed, low/medium complexity
 - Personal analysis queue: one click, run my jobs
 - User managed, low complexity (almost transparent)
- **Data storage**
 - Short term data caching to accelerate above data processing use cases
 - Transient data
 - Long term data storage in the cloud
 - Integrate with DDM

Helix Nebula EC project proposal

Coordination action submitted to INFRA-2012-3.3 in November 2011

- Negotiations currently under way: if successful, the project will start 1st June 2012

no.	Organisation name	Short name	Country
1 (coord)	European Organization for Nuclear Research	CERN	CH
2	STICHTING EUROPEAN GRID INITIATIVE	EGI.eu	NE
3	European Molecular Biology Laboratory	EMBL	DE
4	ATOS ORIGIN NEDERLAND	Atos	NE
5	T-Systems International GMBH	T-Systems	DE
6	CLOUDSIGMA AG	CloudSigma	CH
7	SAP AG	SAP	DE
8	Logica Deutschland GmbH & Co KG	Logica	DE
9	CONSIGLIO NAZIONALE DELLE RICERCHE	CNR	IT
10	Cloud Security Alliance EMEA	CSA	UK

A European cloud computing partnership: big science teams up with big business



Strategic Plan

- ▶ Establish multi-tenant, multi-provider cloud infrastructure
- ▶ Identify and adopt policies for trust, security and privacy
- ▶ Create governance structure
- ▶ Define funding schemes



To support the computing capacity needs for the ATLAS experiment

EMBL



Setting up a new service to simplify analysis of large genomes, for a deeper insight into evolution and biodiversity

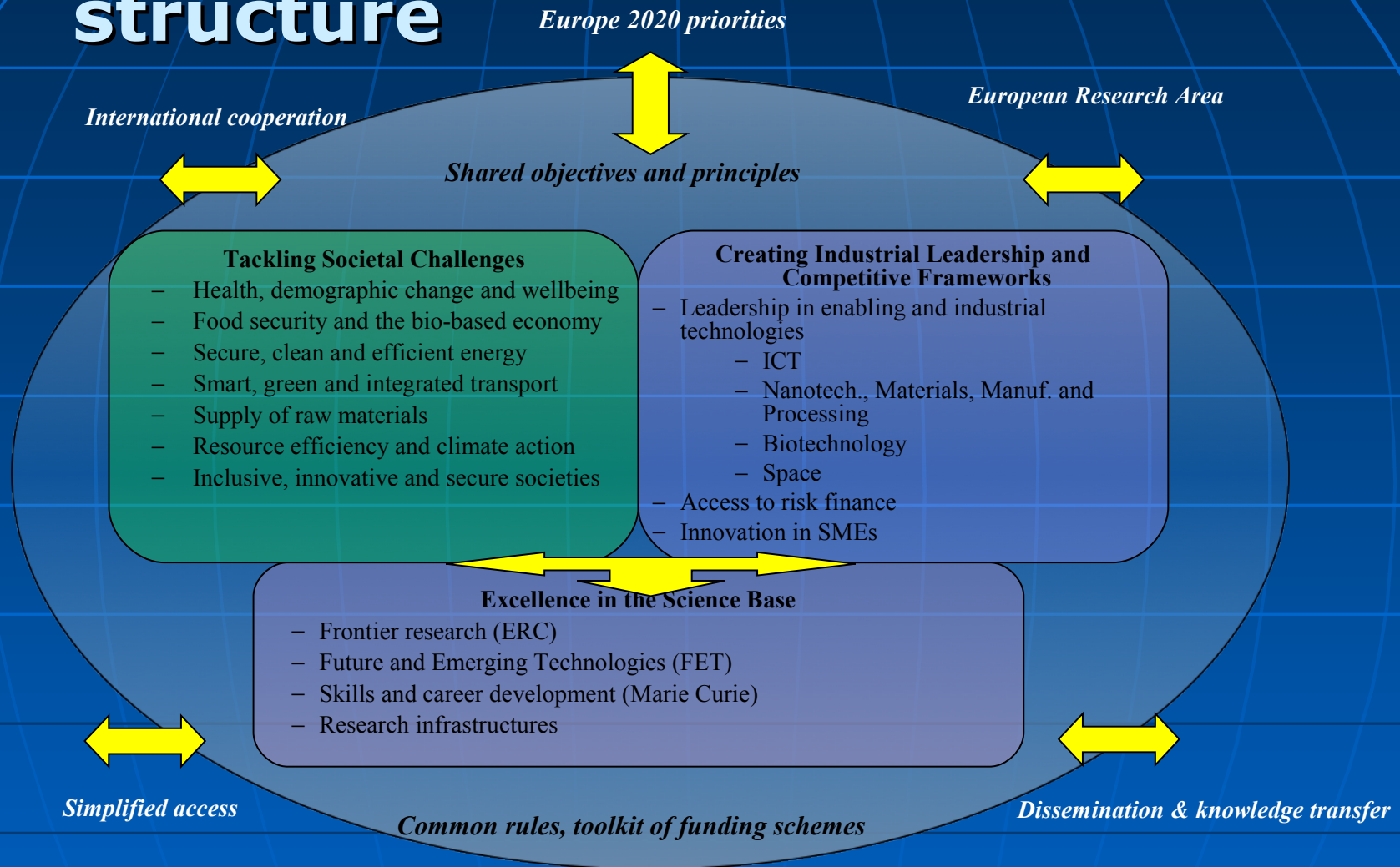


To create an Earth Observation platform, focusing on earthquake and volcano research



Finally

■ Horizon 2020 – Objectives and structure



ICT Services of public interest

(from Guidelines, COM(2011) 657/3)

Trans-European high-speed backbone connections for public administrations

“A public trans-European backbone service infrastructure will provide very high speed and connectivity between public institutions of the EU in areas such as **public administration, culture, education and health.**”

“**Core service** platform... In particular it will provide connectivity for other trans-European services inter alia those mentioned in this Annex. This infrastructure will be fully **integrated in the Internet as a key capacity for trans-European public service** and will support the adoption of emerging standards (IPv6)...”

“The integration of the core platform into the European public services will be facilitated by the deployment of **generic services**: authorisation, authentication, inter-domain security and bandwidth on demand, federation of services, mobility management, quality control and performance control, integration of national infrastructures. Interoperable **'cloud computing'** ...”

Conclusion

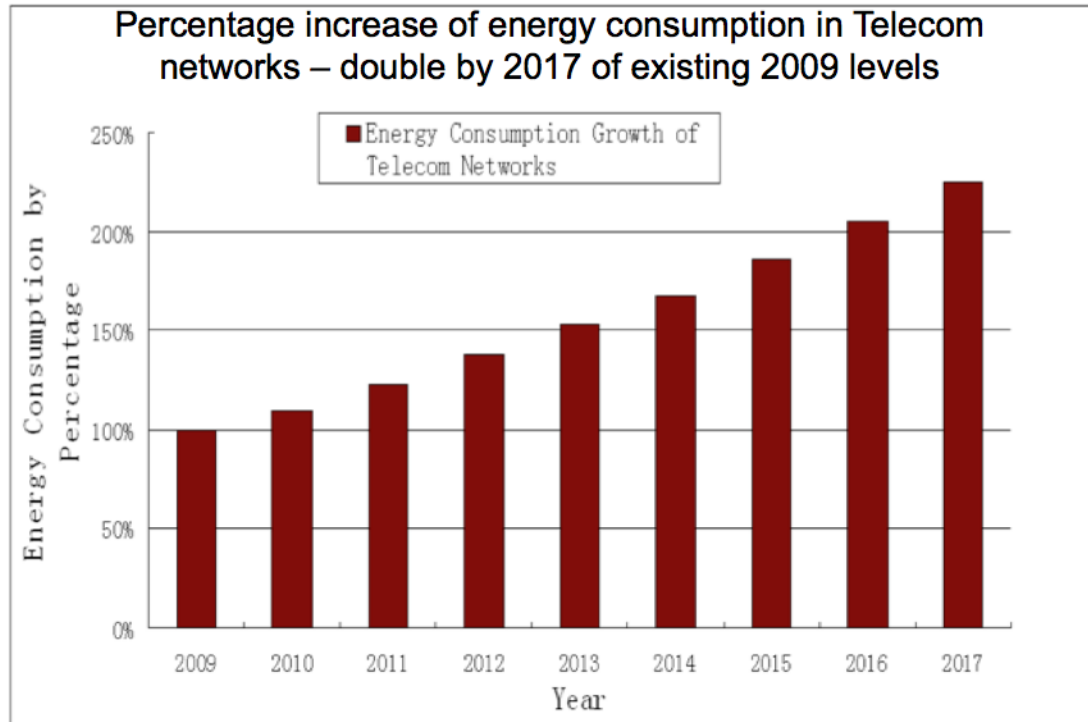
- We see a vibrant range of activities:
 - Science initiatives across all disciplines.
 - Software, Infrastructure and Services developing rapidly
 - Grid an established success and Cloud computing for science emerging.
- Excellent R&E networking is:
 - A major driver of economic growth.
 - **Fundamental** to participating in global scientific activities in the 21st century!



Extras



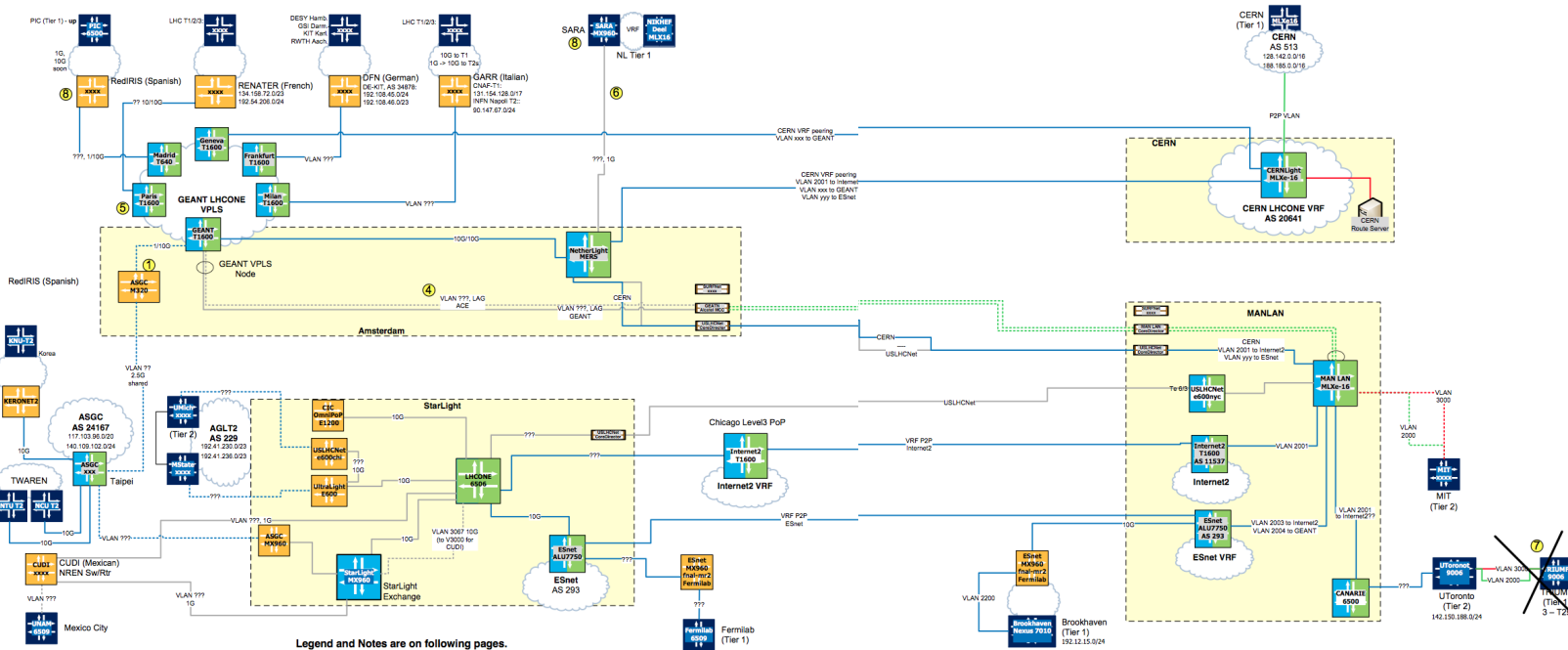
Energy consumption is a growing concern



Source: Yi Zhang; Chowdhury, P.; Tornatore, M.; Mukherjee, B.; , "Energy Efficiency in Telecom Optical Networks," Communications Surveys & Tutorials, IEEE , vol.12, no.4, pp.441-458, Fourth Quarter 2010

Community Measurement, Architecture, Planning are all needed.
Nice talk here from Inder Monga (ESNet):
<http://www.glif.is/meetings/2011/rap/monga-greenactivities.pdf>

LHCONE VRF Layout

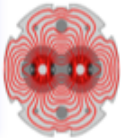


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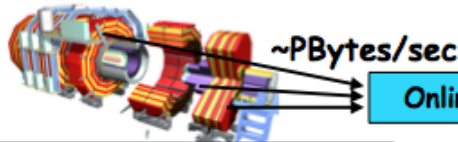
From Bill Johnston ESNet



MONARC: Regional Center Hierarchy (Worldwide Data Grid)



Experiment



GriPhyN: FOCUS On University Based Tier2 Centers

Bunch crossing per 25 nsecs.
100 triggers per second
Event is ~1 MByte in size

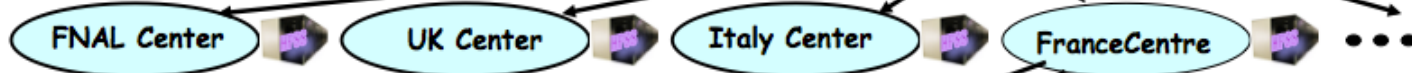
Online System

~100 MBytes/sec

Offline Farm, CERN Computer Center > 20 TIPS

~0.6 - 2.5 Gbits/sec + Air Freight

Tier 0 +1



Tier 1

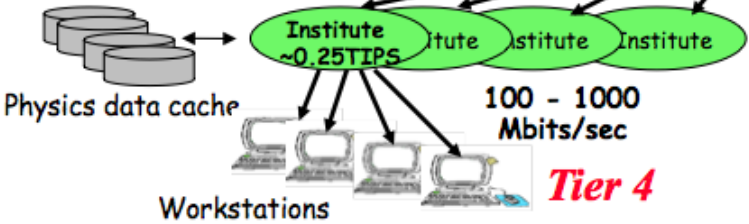
Tier 2



~2.4 Gbits/sec

Tier 3

~622 Mbits/sec

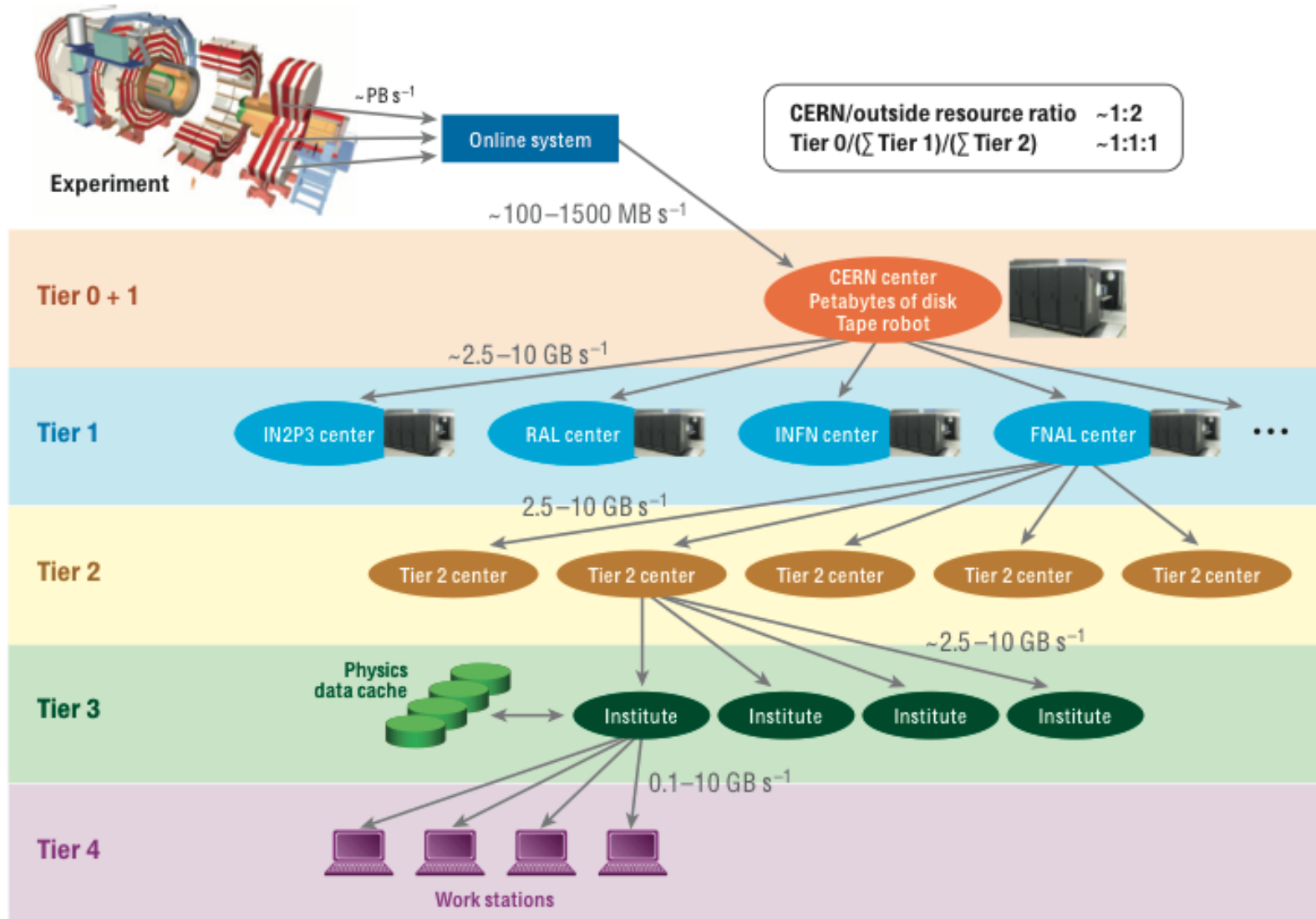


Tier 4

Physicists work on analysis "channels".
Each institute has ~10 physicists working on one or more channels



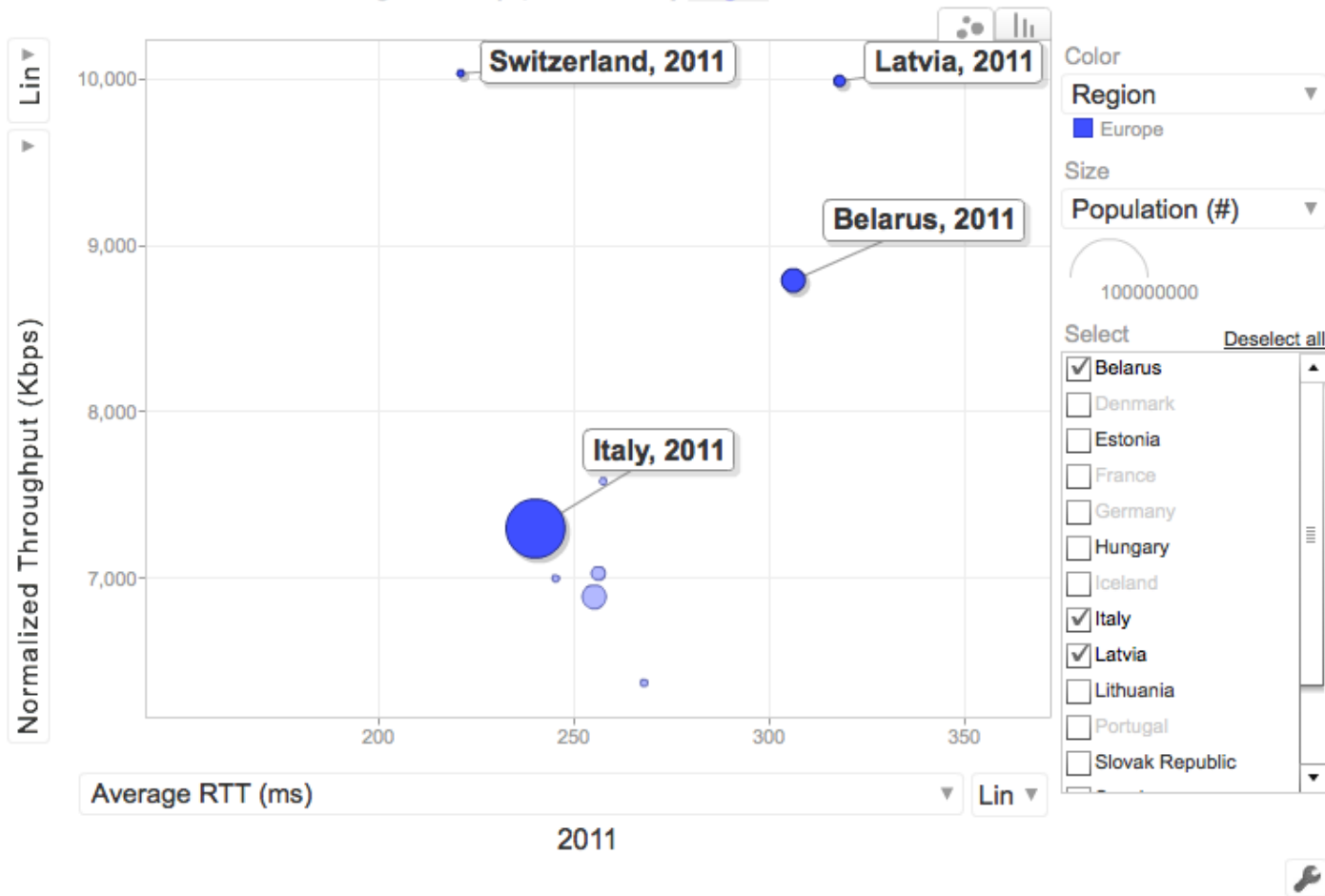
“Classical” Computing Model



Pinger Data India Europe



Internet Performance from India to region=Europe, measured by PingER between 1998 and 2012



PingER Throughput

Summary for Sites in IN.CDACMUMBAI.N1 seen from CH.CERN.N20

Tick	<u>min</u>	<u>25th%</u>	<u>avg</u>	<u>median</u>	<u>75th%</u>	<u>90th%</u>	<u>95th%</u>	<u>max</u>	<u>iqr</u>	<u>std dev</u>	# pairs
Mar2012	1277.429	.	1277.429	1277.429	.	.	.	1277.429	.	.	1
Feb2012	945.003	.	945.003	945.003	.	.	.	945.003	.	.	1
Jan2012	948.680	.	948.680	948.680	.	.	.	948.680	.	.	1
Dec2011	842.238	.	842.238	842.238	.	.	.	842.238	.	.	1
Nov2011	707.585	.	707.585	707.585	.	.	.	707.585	.	.	1
Oct2011	653.122	.	653.122	653.122	.	.	.	653.122	.	.	1
Sep2011	587.445	.	587.445	587.445	.	.	.	587.445	.	.	1
Aug2011	620.559	.	620.559	620.559	.	.	.	620.559	.	.	1
Jul2011	556.555	.	556.555	556.555	.	.	.	556.555	.	.	1
Jun2011	622.824	.	622.824	622.824	.	.	.	622.824	.	.	1
May2011	689.270	.	689.270	689.270	.	.	.	689.270	.	.	1
Apr2011	597.738	.	597.738	597.738	.	.	.	597.738	.	.	1

Median value of medians is 671.196



- Guaranteed bandwidth virtual circuit services have become increasingly important.
- The environment of large-scale science is inherently multi-domain
- The unique service characteristics that have evolved are
 - Guaranteed, reservable bandwidth with resiliency
 - Requested and managed in a Web Services framework
 - Traffic isolation and non standard transports
 - Traffic engineering (for network operations)
 - Secure connections
 - Flexible service semantics
 - Rich service semantics – e.g. to reliability through redundancy.

