

Collaborative eScience: Evolving Approaches

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- My perspective on collaborative eScience history
 - Space Astronomy Research Collaboration (SPARC)
 - Network for Earthquake Engineering Simulation (NEES)
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 - Sakai Repository Approach
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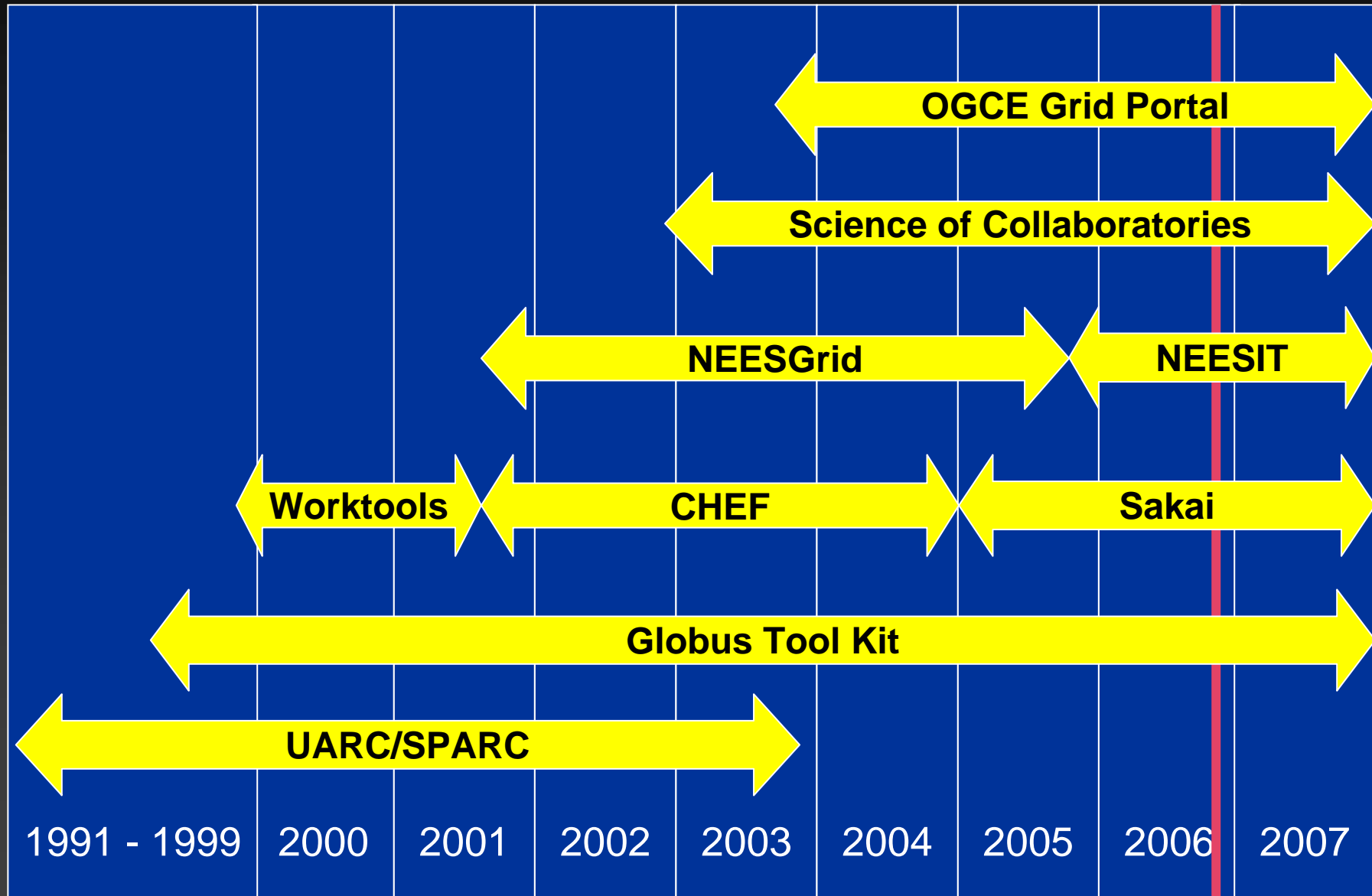


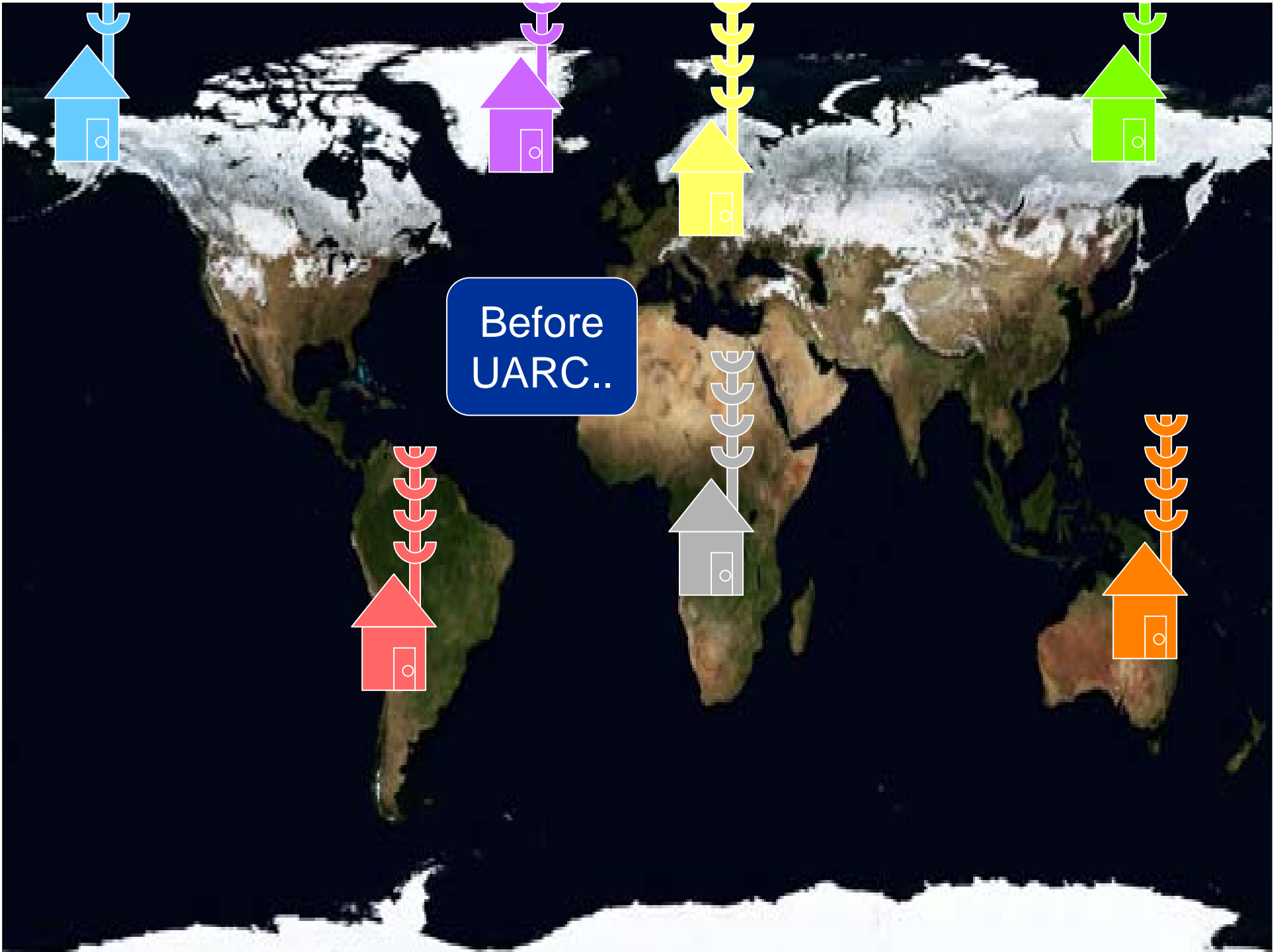
The Founding Concepts

- Scientific Domain
- Groups of People
- Common User Interface
- Data Sharing
 - In the moment
 - Long-term
- Experimental Equipment
- Compute
- Visualization

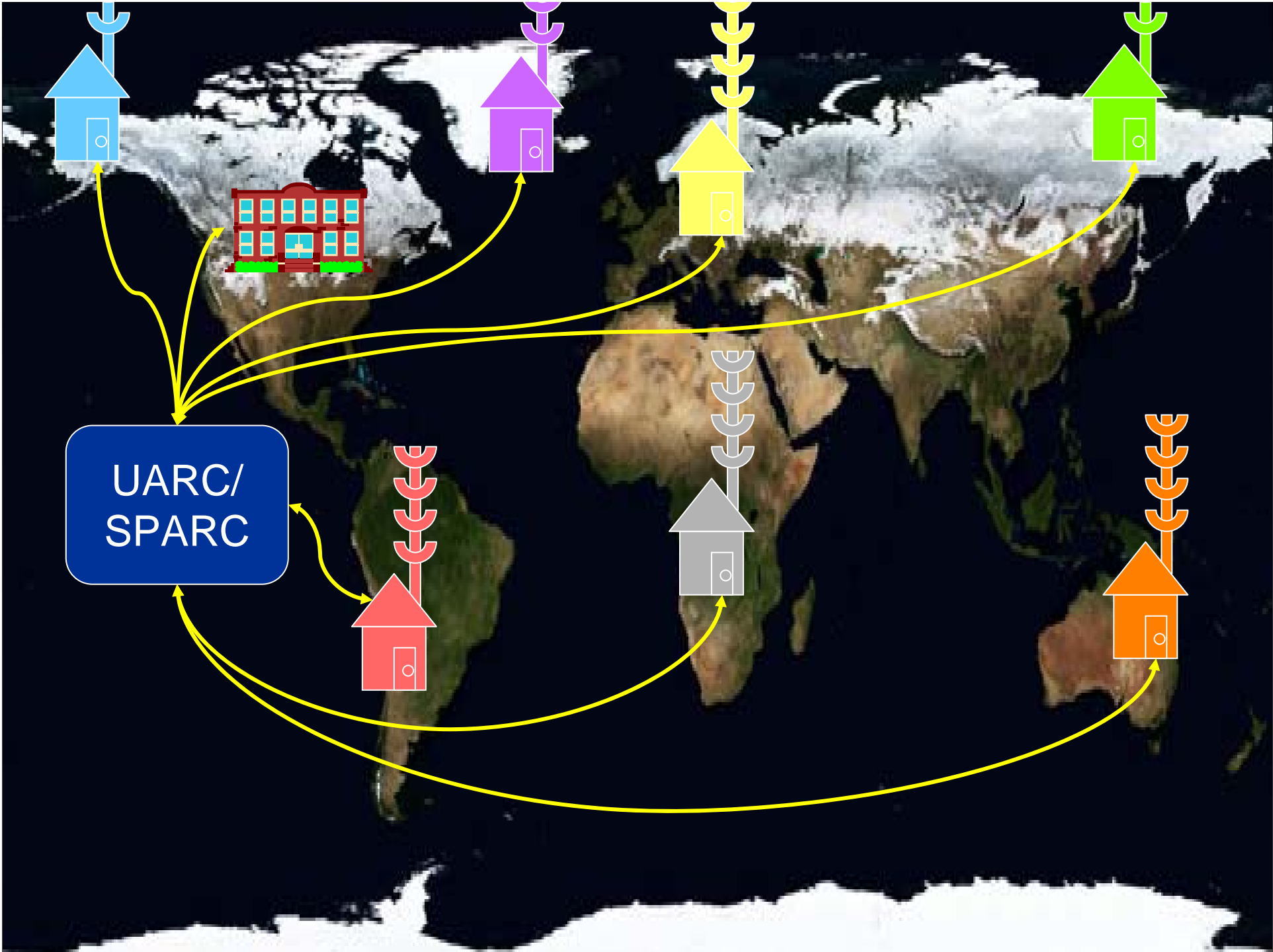


Over 15 Years of Collaborative eScience





Before UARC..



SPARC - Netscape

18:36:50 GMT
SPARC
Incent at SED

Velocities
East Coast
ISR Density & Velocity
ISR: Data Availability
Demo: Live Video
Sondre Mag, NBR, IRIS

User list:
Alan Burns
Jeff Thayer
Jon Andersen
Tony van Eyken
Ennio R. Sanchez

Chat: Send Clear

1999/05/05 18:13:32 - Ennio R. Sanchez: There has been a steep increase in the >10 MeV proton flux (factor of 4 in just 1 hour) starting at ~1600 UT. Possibly a precursor to the arrival of the high speed stream, or another structure that could be seen by ACE soon.
1999/05/05 18:12:05 - Glenn R. Golden: Tony - good! That or a page refresh should recover from the problem. We are working on figuring out what is going wrong... And we also have seen a problem with Chat not being updated, which we are also working on (that will be easier to fix.)
1999/05/05 18:10:44 - Tony van Eyken: However, I still have to reload the chat box (sometimes), even though the time is updating up there.
1999/05/05 18:09:19 - Tony van Eyken: Well I reloaded the

http://srr.sri.com/home/spaceweather/current/main.html

(99/05/05 15:45 UT)

A Shock Has Been Detected by ACE at 15 UT Today, 99/05/05

Initial effects of the solar disturbance should be seen at Earth at ~16 UT. Compression Effects are Apparent in the GOES Satellites Magnetic Field Measurements

LATEST DEVELOPMENTS

ACE RTSW (Estimated) MAG & SWEPAM

Estimated Kp

ACE Satellite Magnetometer

Sondrestrom Magnetometer

Sondrestrom Normal Beam Riometer

Sondrestrom Iris Image

Prediction of Neutral Temperature

Pressure Level = 1.0

Prediction of Electron Density

UT = 16h 00m Pressure Level = 1.0

2/2001 600 users 800 data sources

SPARC - Netscape

Start SPARC - Net... ISR: Millston... TINGModel... Demo: TING... Netscape ISR: Tromso... SPARC - ... Sondre Real... ISR:Sondre2... Microsoft Po... Demo: Live V... RealPlayer: S...

2:12 PM

SPARC Software

- Written from scratch
 - No Middleware
 - No Portal Technology
- Three rewrites over 10 years
 - NextStep
 - Java Applets with server support
 - Browser based - kind of like a portal
- At the end, in 2001 - it was ready for **another** rewrite



Keys to SPARC Success

- Ten years of solid funding
 - Team consistency
 - Long enough to learn from “mistakes”
- Long term relationship between IT folks and scientists - evolved over time - relationship was “grey”
- Software rewritten several times over life of project based on evolving user needs and experience with each version of the program
- Portion of effort was invested in evaluation of usability - feedback to developers



After SPARC: Now What?

- Getting people together is an important part of collaborative eScience
 - WorkTools - Based on Lotus Notes
 - CHEF - Collaborative framework - Based on Java and Jetspeed
 - Sakai - Collaboration and Learning Environment - Java
- Critical point: Collaborative software is only one component of eScience
- Lets explore this: Building **reusable** user interface technologies for the **people** part of collaborative eScience



CHEF Site - Microsoft Internet Explorer

Address <https://worktools.si.umich.edu/workspaces/jhardin/005.nsf?opendatabase>

WORKSHOP resources

By Folder | [By Name](#)

Current Folder

Resources

Content

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U-M
WTools
[my workspace](#)

Done Internet

WorkTools - The “organic” single-server approach - if you build it (and give away free accounts), they will come...

Over 9000 users (2000 active) at the end of 2003

CompreHensive collaborativE Framework (CHEF)

- Fall 2001: CHEF Development begins
 - Generalized extensible framework for building laboratories
- Funded internally at UM
- All JAVA - Open Source
 - Jakarta Jetspeed Portal
 - Jakarta Tomcat Servlet Container
 - Jakarta Turbine Service Container
- Build community of developers through workshops and outreach



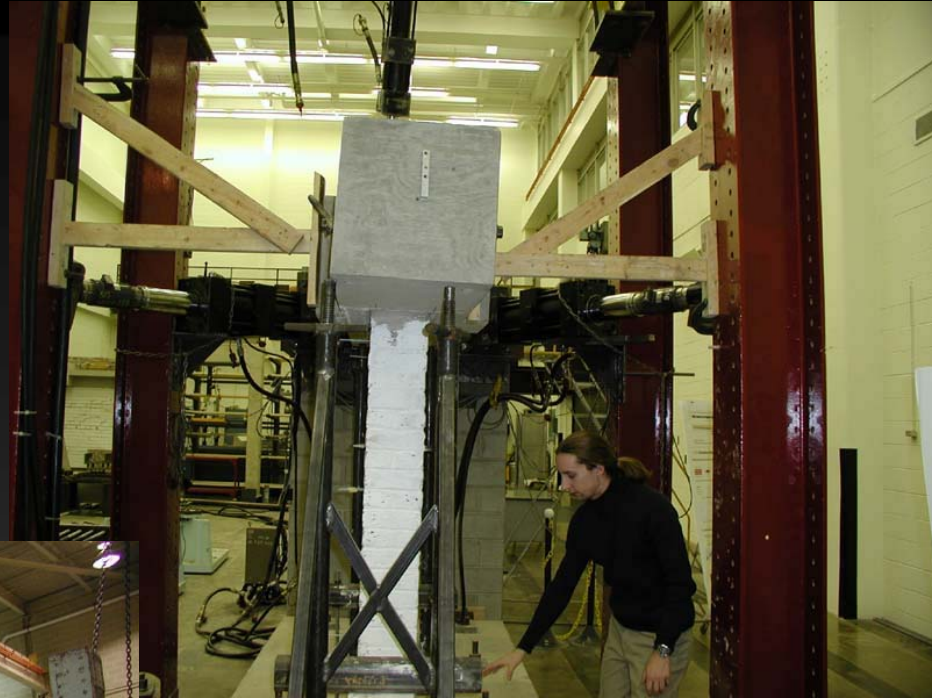
CHEF Applications

- CourseTools Next Generation
- WorkTools Next Generation
- NEESGrid
- NSF National Middleware Grid Portal





Network for Earthquake Engineering Simulation



NSF Funded.
NCSA, ANL, USC/ISI, UM, USC, Berkeley, MSU



CHEF (dev-local): Worksite - Microsoft Internet Explorer

Address: http://neespop.ce.unr.edu:9271/chef/portal/group/NEESgridUNR/page/default.psm|js_pane|P-F16ab04bfe-10006

NEESgrid WorkTools

My Workspace NEESgrid UNR NEESgrid Support NEESgrid All

Nov 14, 2002 05:43 pm

Video Cameras

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Telepresence Server


Video Cameras

TeleRobotic Video Camera 1

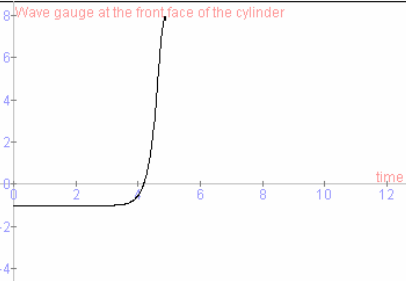
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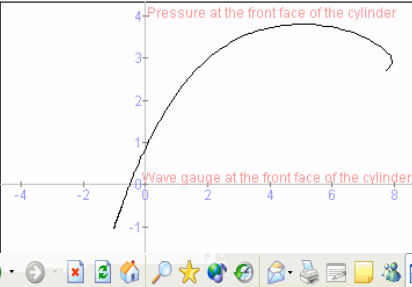
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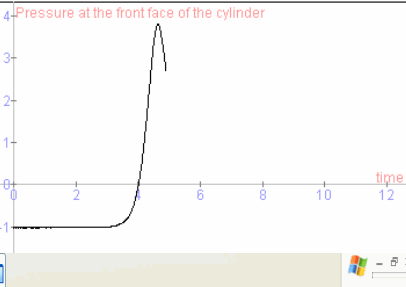
8. Wave gauge at the front face of the cylinder



4. Pressure at the front face of the cylinder



4. Pressure at the front face of the cylinder



NEESgrid Building the National Virtual Collaboratory for Earthquake Engineering

My Workspace MOST MOST-Team MOST-Tech

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UCOL Video

UIUC Video

Repository

Data Viewer

NTCP Data

UCOL Notebook

UIUC Notebook

Non-Contact Data

Streaming Data

Logout

Users Present

Amr Elashai

Hatem Selim

MOST-Team : Repository

NEES Data Browser

NEES Repository

Symbol key:

- The folder is open (click to close).
- The folder is closed (click to open).

Follow a link between objects.

New Object Copy Object Edit Object Delete Object

Root Container

- MOST data
 - CU MOST experiment description
 - MOST experiment underway
 - MOST experiment 1500 steps
 - UIUC MOST data 1500 steps
 - CU MOST 1500 steps (partial)
 - NCSA most data 1500 steps
 - cu-most-dry2:mostExpData
 - uiuc-most-dry2:JUL30.txt
 - NCSA MOST log
 - UIUC MOST experiment description
 - test material
 - test unit
 - test unit term
 - test unit quant

File "UIUC MOST data 1500 steps"

io:logicalName uiuc-most-dry2:JUL30

File information:

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Last accessed: 7/30/03 6:12 PM

Download

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NEESgrid WorkTools

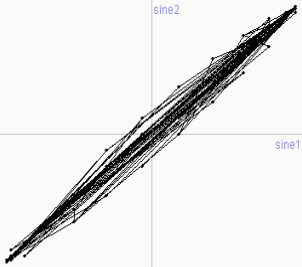
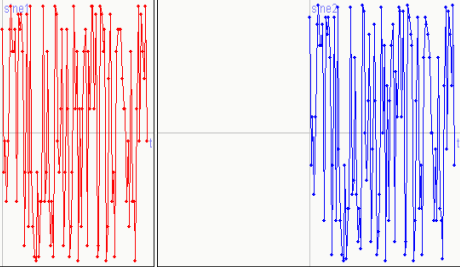
My Workspace NEESgrid UNR NEESgrid Support NEESgrid All

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Data Viewer

Event: "core: ex2 sine1-4"

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|---------------------|-------|-----------|
| Home | sine1 | -0.062791 |
| Schedule | sine2 | -0.24869 |
| Announcements | sine3 | -0.187361 |
| Resources | sine4 | -0.125333 |
| Discussion | | |
| Telepresence Server | | |
| Video Cameras | | |
| ENotebook | | |
| Data Browser/Viewer | | |

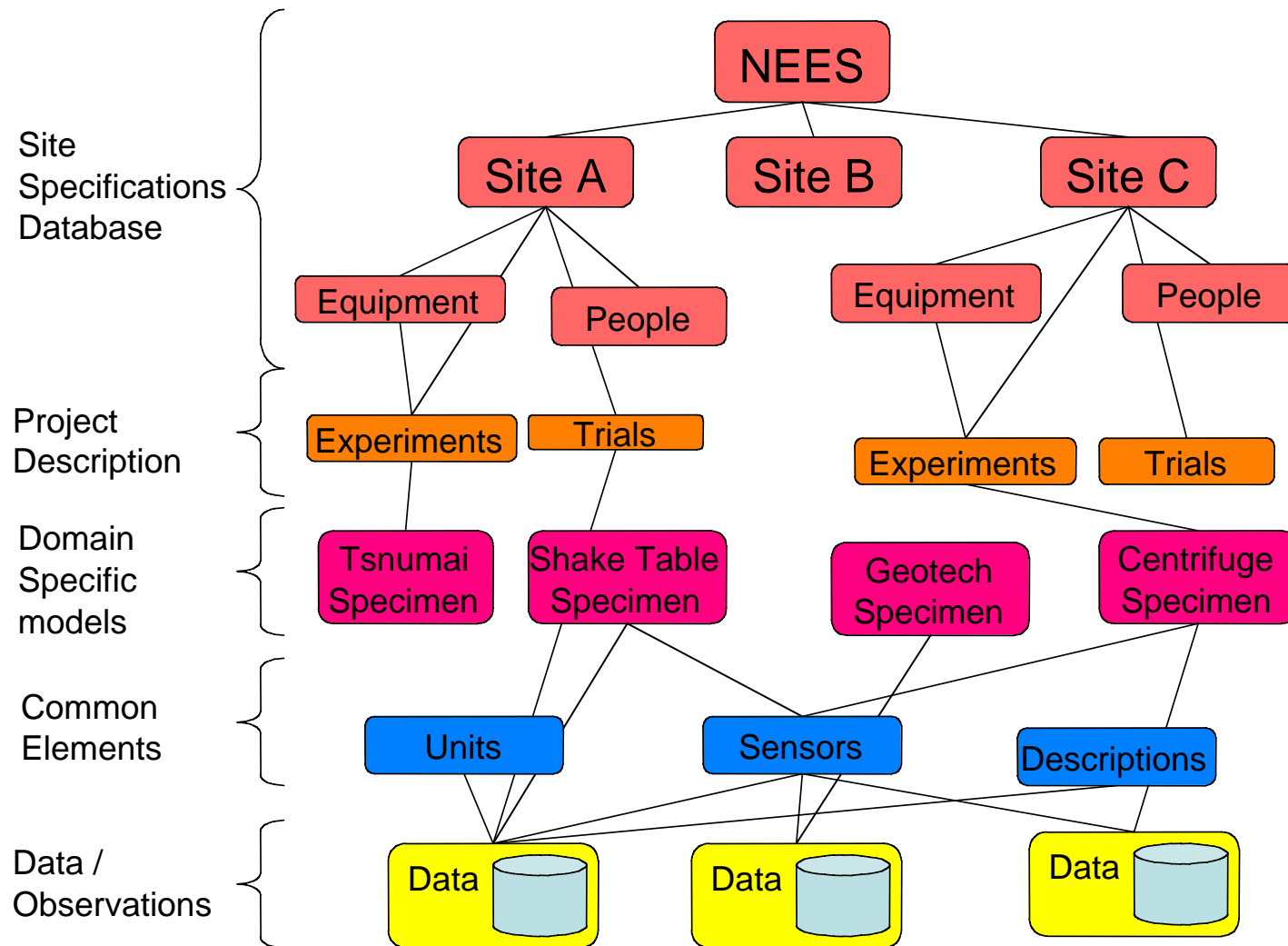
Users Present

Charles Severance

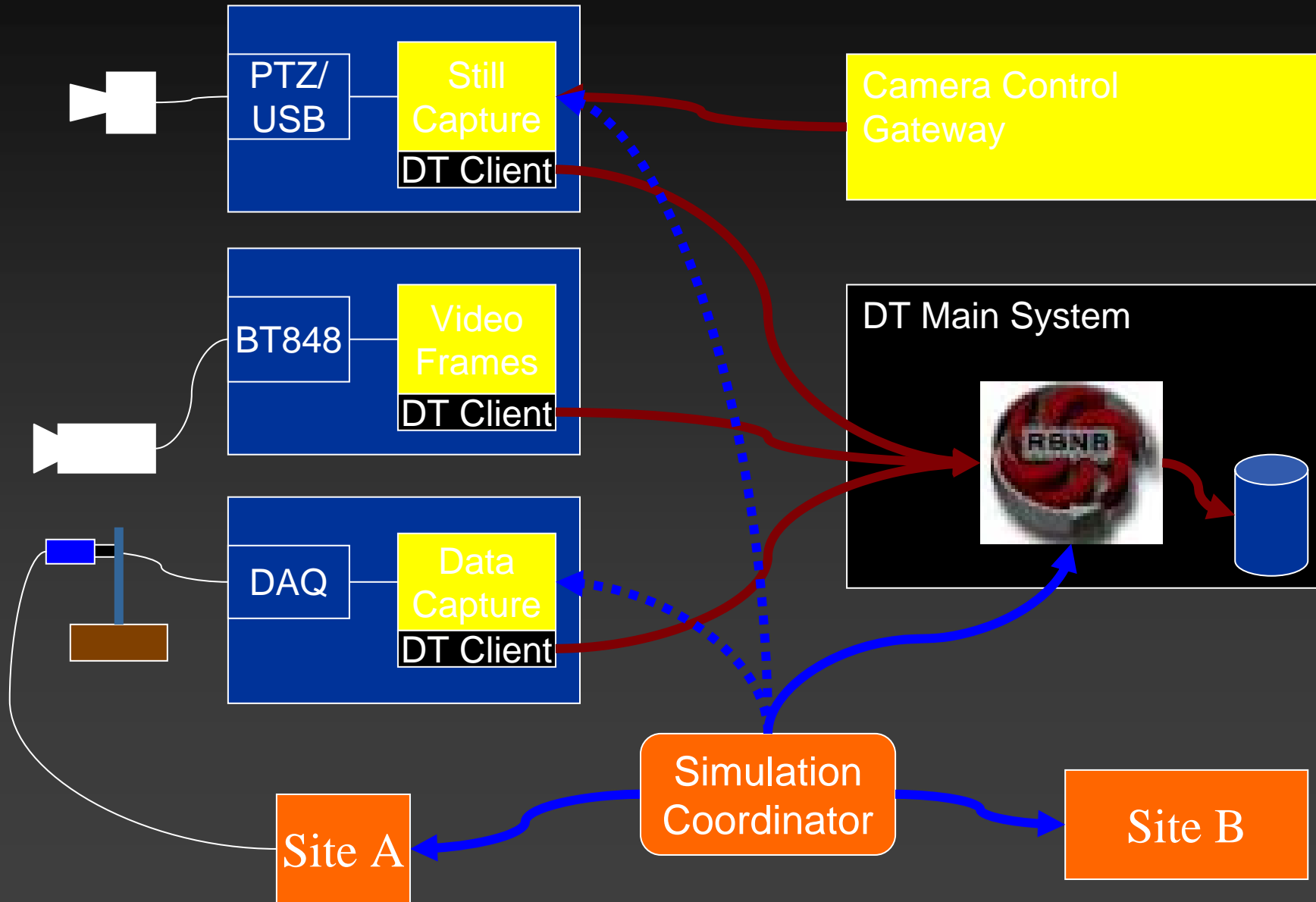
Lars Shumann

Back

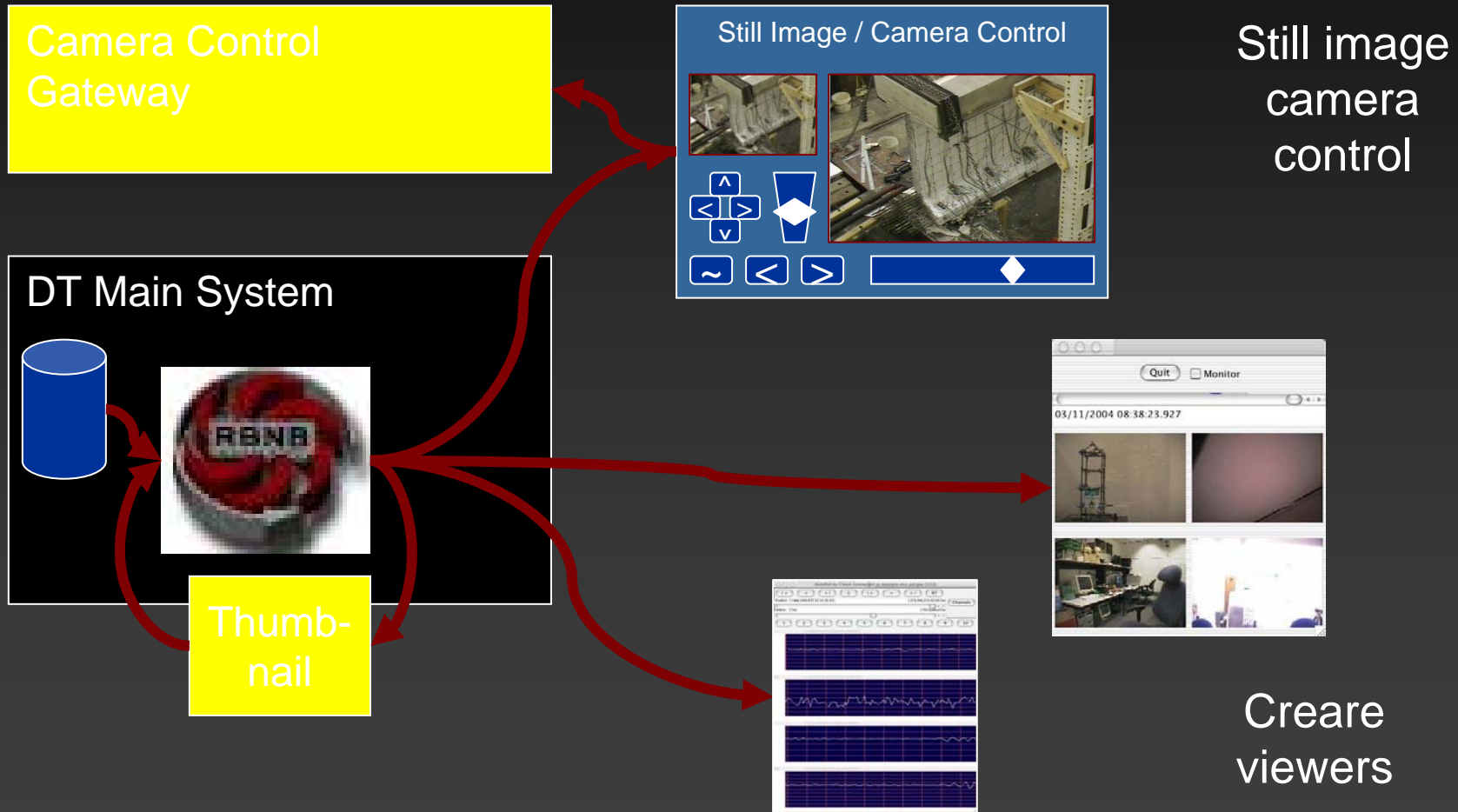
Overall Data Modeling Efforts



Capturing Video and Data

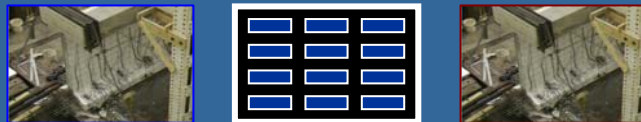


Data Monitoring Tools



Video and Data Tivo

Thumbnail + Audio + Data



MABT Telepresence Remote Client Viewer

View Configuration

Data viewer [raw] Video [test floor = labsweep] Still image Data ports w/ videos Videos = Still Pgt Video

Single camera capture mode
 Multi-camera capture mode

Camera 1 Camera 2 Camera 3 Camera 4
 Camera 5 Camera 6 Camera 7 Camera 8

Camera 1: [Image] [Capture image] [pic]
Camera 2: [Image] [Capture image] [pic]
Camera 3: [Image] [Capture image] [pic]
Camera 4: [Image] [Capture image] [pic]
Camera 5: [Image] [Capture image] [pic]
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Image Archive

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Thumbnail Size:
 tiny
 medium
 large

Set by:
Username: [dropdown]
[GO!]

[Launch Side Show]

Lessons Learned in NEESGrid (Chuck's views)

- This takes a long time - *after* trust is built up
- Scientists know a lot about Computer Science - listen to them and involve them
- The real work begins after software is “delivered” - Version 1.0 is usually just a conversation starter - but a very important step
- There are some things that are useful across fields - but the most valuable elements are field-unique
- Data models, data repositories, and long-term curation are difficult!

HENP/Civil Similarities



HENP/Civil: Differences

- Willingness to collaborate
 - CE: Not too keen on the idea - NSF forcing the issue using “carrot and stick”
 - HENP: It is part of the fabric of the field (at least within LHC)
- Technology Savvy
 - CE: It is all about the “within lab” electronics
 - HENP: In lab electronics is difficult, important and different. The Internet is a tool to be used both for human communication and data manipulation - have tried everything - use simple reliable stuff because the work cannot wait.

Sakai as a Collaborative Portal



Overview Slide

- Sakai is used for Collaboration, Teaching, and Learning
- Sakai Project started January 2004 (2.5 years old)
- Non-profit Sakai Foundation January 2006
- Open Source - 100% free - Apache License
- Voluntary financial support from 100+ Higher Education, 15 companies, each paying \$10,000 / year = \$ 1M revenue
- Executive Director for the Foundation and six paid staff members
- Worldwide community with 100+ people active in developing and testing Sakai releases
- Nifty Web site www.sakaiproject.org
 - Sakai Community Google Map Mashup
 - Very cool “Sakai Overview” Video (10 minutes)



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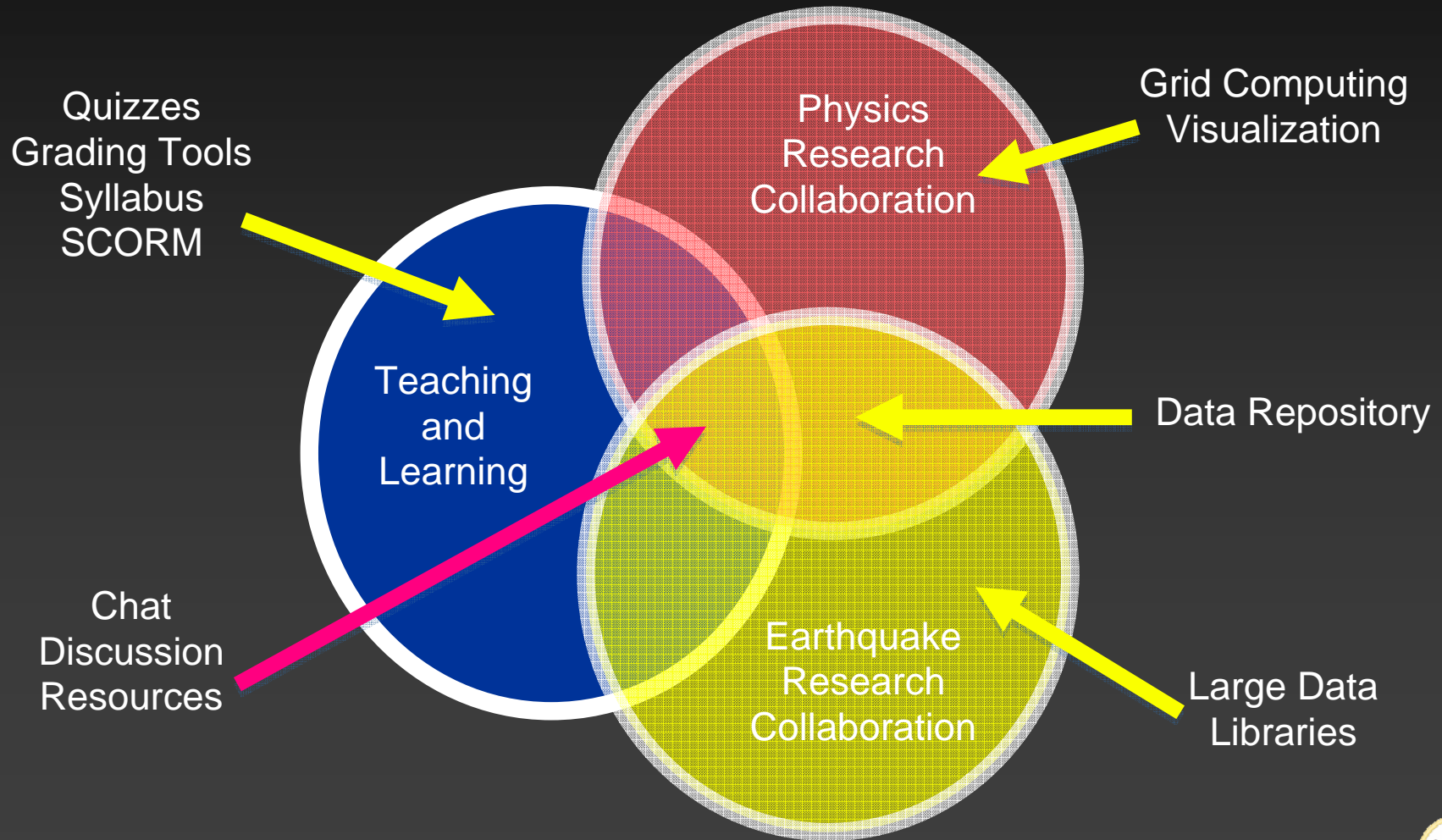


What's in a name?

Sakai is named after **Hiroyuki Sakai** of the Food Channel Television program “Iron Chef”. Hiroyuki is renowned for his fusion of French and Japanese cuisine.



Requirements Overlap



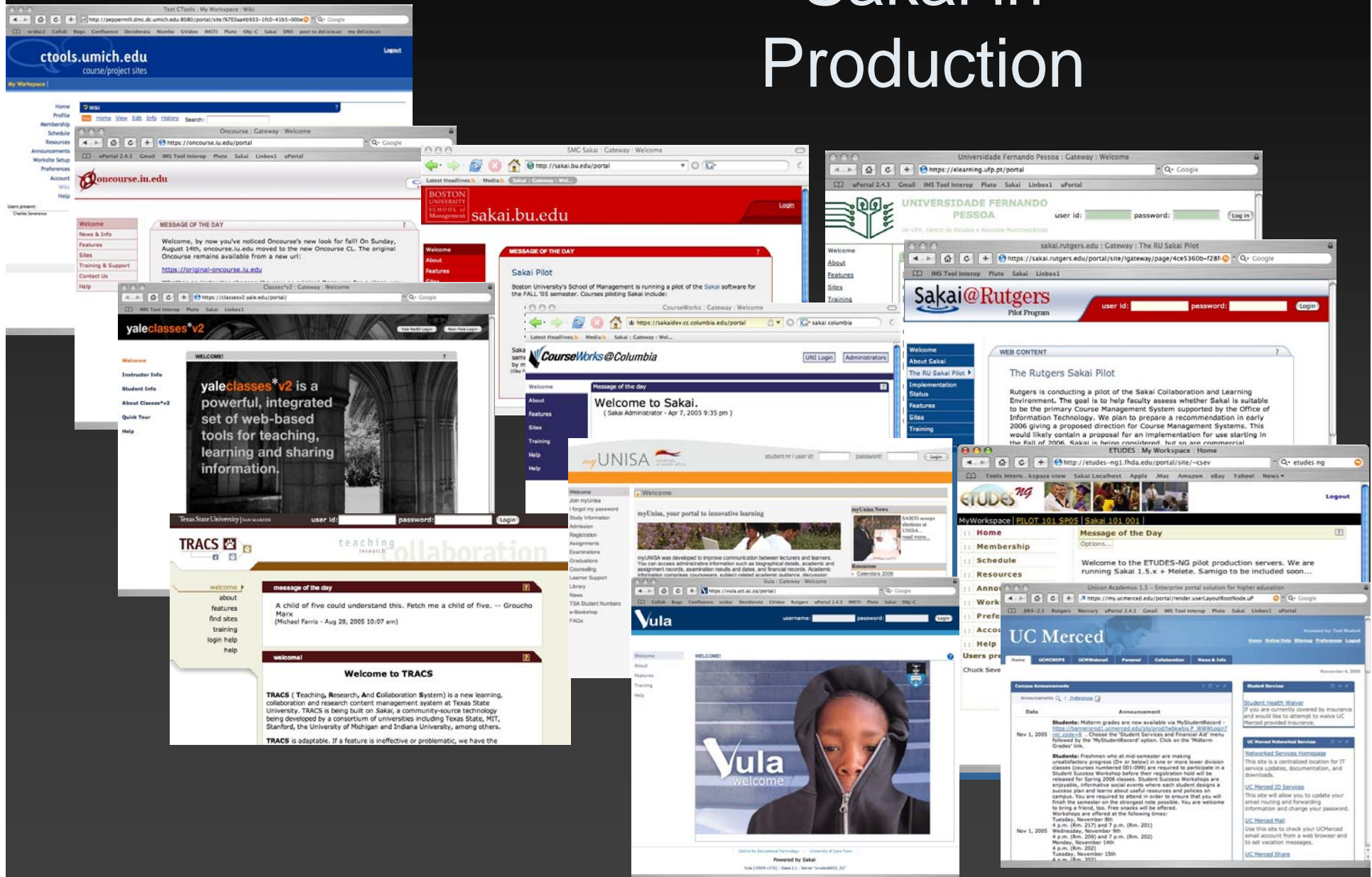
Sakai: Product Placement

Teaching
and
Learning

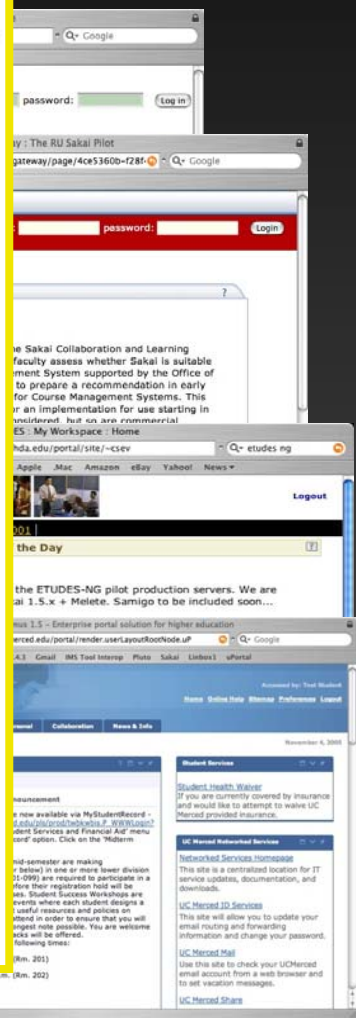
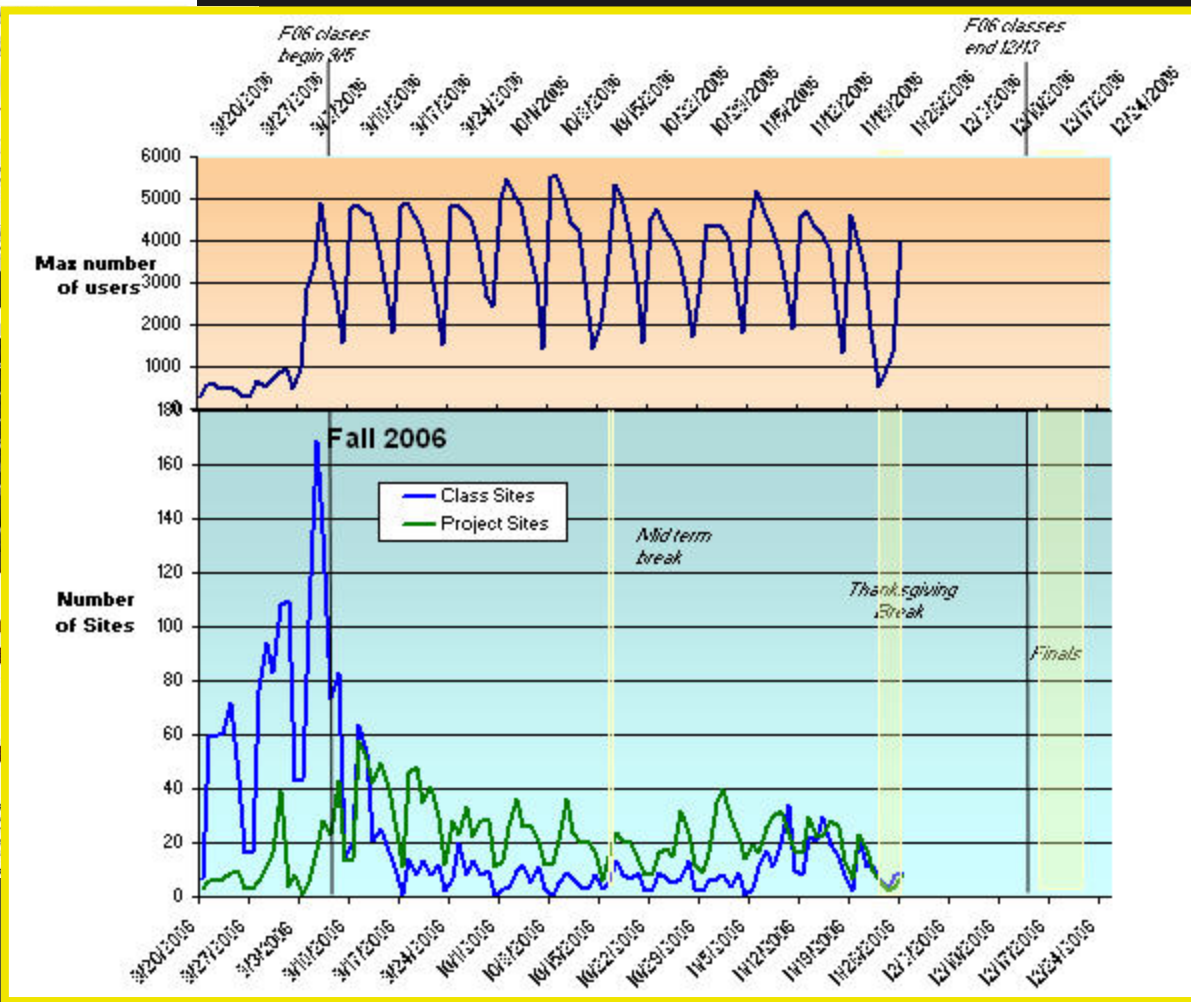
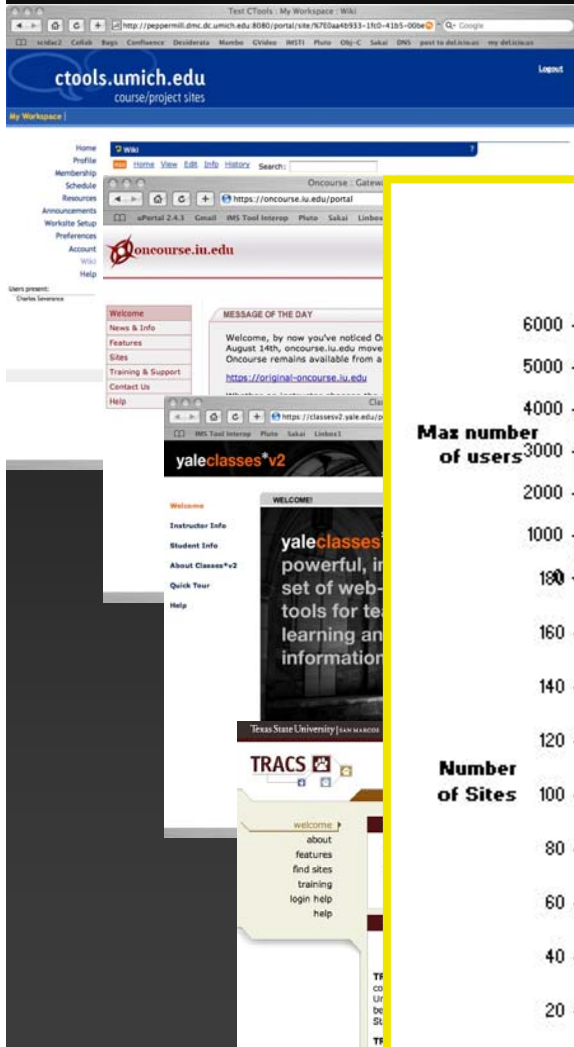


Collaboration and eResearch

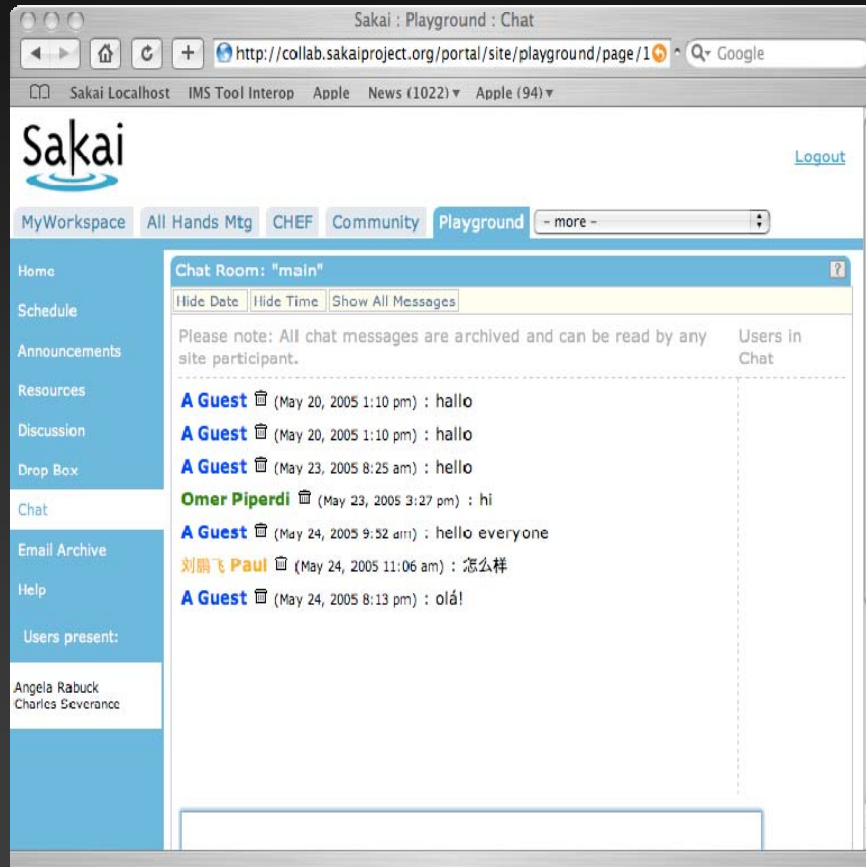
Sakai in Production



Sakai in Production



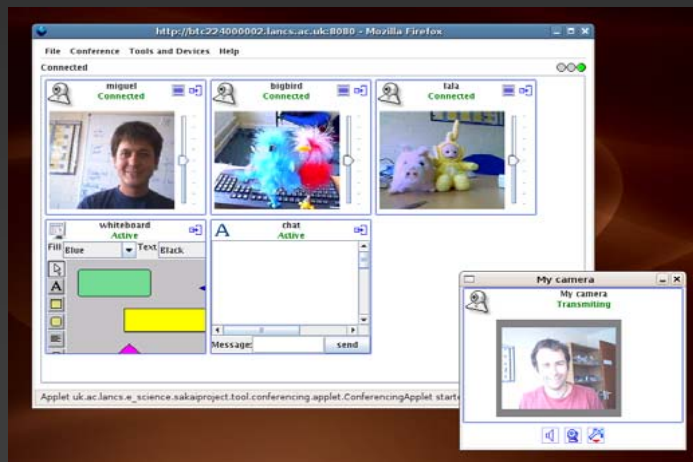
Sakai General Collaborative Tools



- Announcements
- Blog
- Chat Room
- Threaded Discussion
- Drop Box
- Email Archive
- Message Of The Day
- News/RSS
- Podcast
- Resources
- Roster
- Schedule
- Web Content
- Wiki
- WebDAV



Tools Under Development



- Lancaster Collaboration Suite
 - Shared Display
 - Shared Whiteboard
 - Multicast Audio
 - Multicast Video
- Horizon/Wimba Integration
- Marratech Integration
- Adobe Connect (Breeze)
- Paper Review Tool
- Repository Search (SakaiBrary)
- Clicker
- Poll Tool
- User Tracking

These are works-in-progress by members of the Sakai community. There are no dates for release.



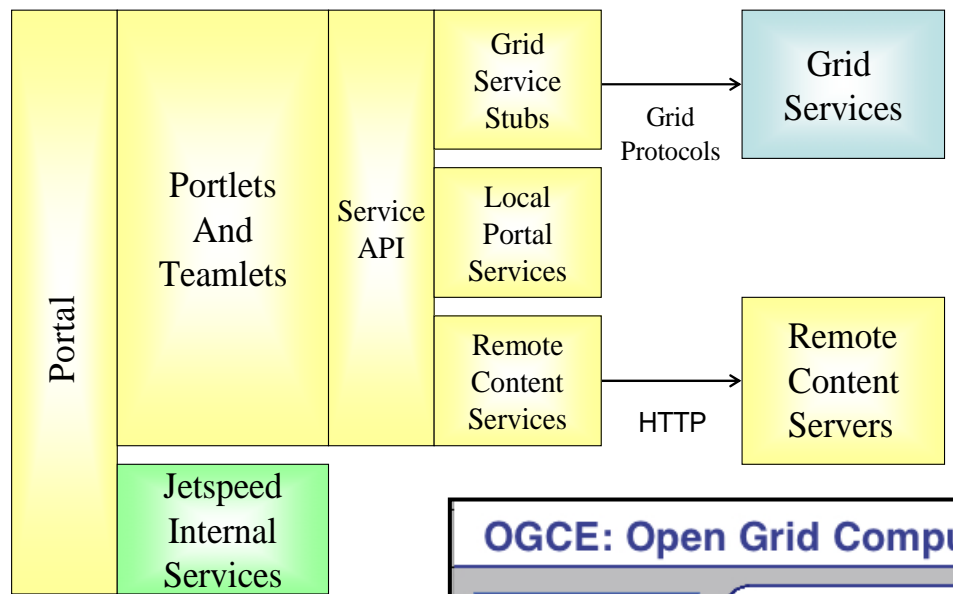


Figure 4: The revised portal architecture portal services.

www.ogce.org

Out of the box science gateway

OGCE: Open Grid Computing Environment

- Home
- News
- FAQ
- Download
- Install
- Documents
- Related Work
- Screenshots
- Sponsors
- Contacts

OGCE - Open Grid Computing Environments Collaboratory

As the use of Grid technologies expands and more organizations set up Grids, the need for user-friendly access to Grids becomes critical. Portals provide access to Grid technologies through sharable and reusable components for web-based access to scientific and business-oriented applications. Sharable components allow the portal developer to quickly create Grid Portals from provided libraries that support baseline Grid technologies (such as file transfer, job launching and monitoring, and access to information services), freeing the developers to concentrate on the specialized needs of a particular scientific community or collaboratory.

With funding from the National Science Foundation Middleware Initiative the OGCE project was established in Fall 2003 to foster collaborations and sharable components with portal developers worldwide. Tasks include the establishment of a Grid Portal Collaboratory, a repository of portlet and portal service components, an online forum for developers of Grid Portals, and the building of reusable portal components that can be integrated in a common portal container system.

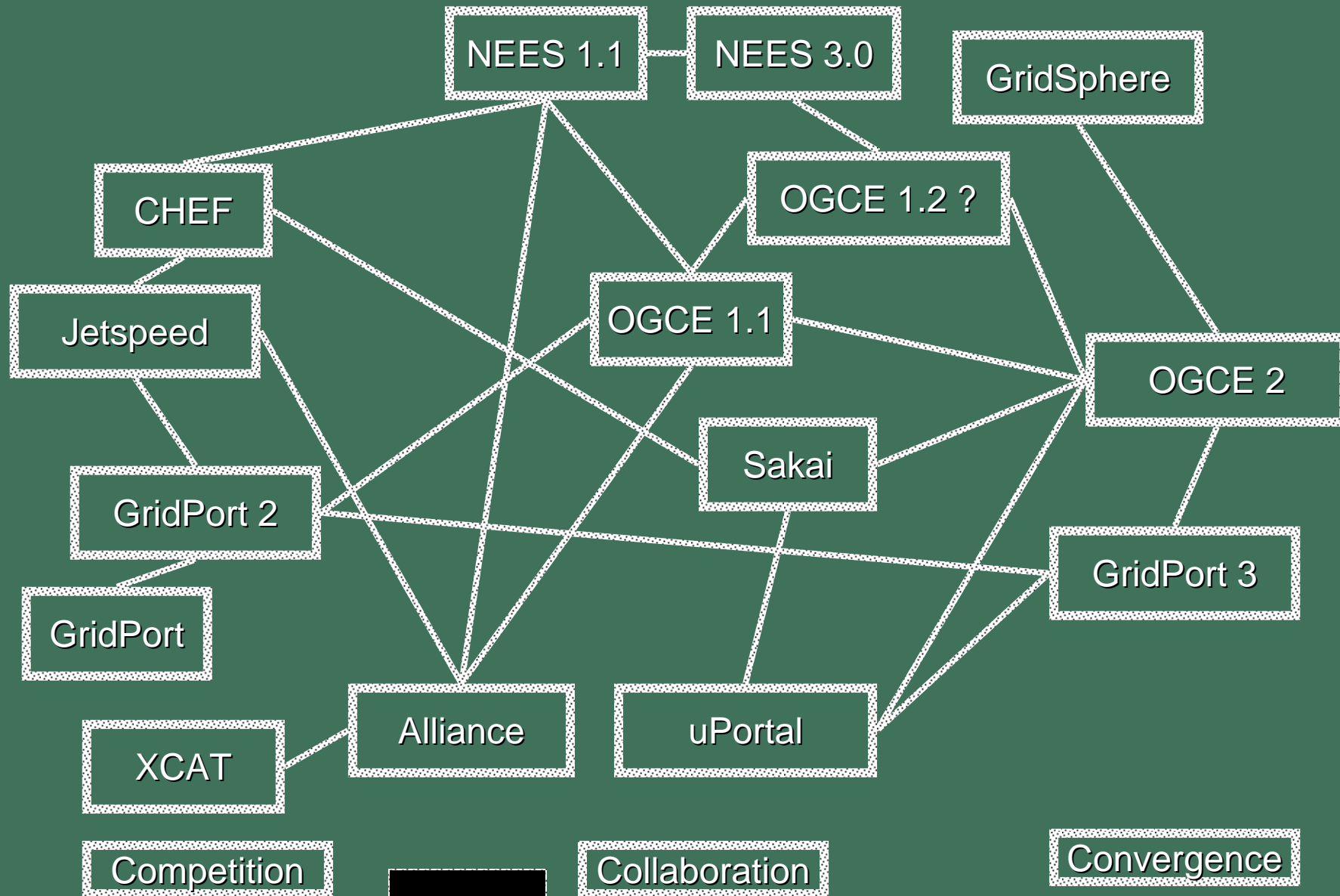
OGCE leverages ongoing portals research and development from Argonne National Laboratory, Indiana University, the University of Michigan, the National Center for Supercomputing Applications, and the Texas Advanced Computing Center. Collectively, these institutions form the charter members of the Open Grid Computing Environments (OGCE) consortium.

...es community participation on several levels. If you wish to contribute to participate, please contact us at webmaster@ogce.org.

NSF National Middleware Initiative
Indiana, UTexas, ANL, UM, NCSA



Chalk Talk: School of Portals



Science Gateway Barriers to Adoption

- Had to choose between JSR-168 and collaborative environment or do both and integrate
- Need something that “just installs” and works out of the box
 - Some assembly required
- Barriers lead to teams reinventing the wheel.

Sakai Research Edition

- Defaults set to appeal to research deployments
 - Teaching tools will be included but hidden
 - Include popular extension components
- F2F collaborative suite integration
- Shibboleth / Guan Xi Support
- MyProxy / GridShib support
- JSR-168 (portlet) support
- Sakai WorkGroup Portal
- JSR-170 (repository) support
- OGCE Grid Portlets
- Target - Summer 2007



Lancaster Collaboration Suite

- Built for Sakai
- Extremely simple setup
- Shared video, audio
- Whiteboard
- Screen Sharing
- Recording
- Software multicast
- Java Web Start auto-install
- Apache License

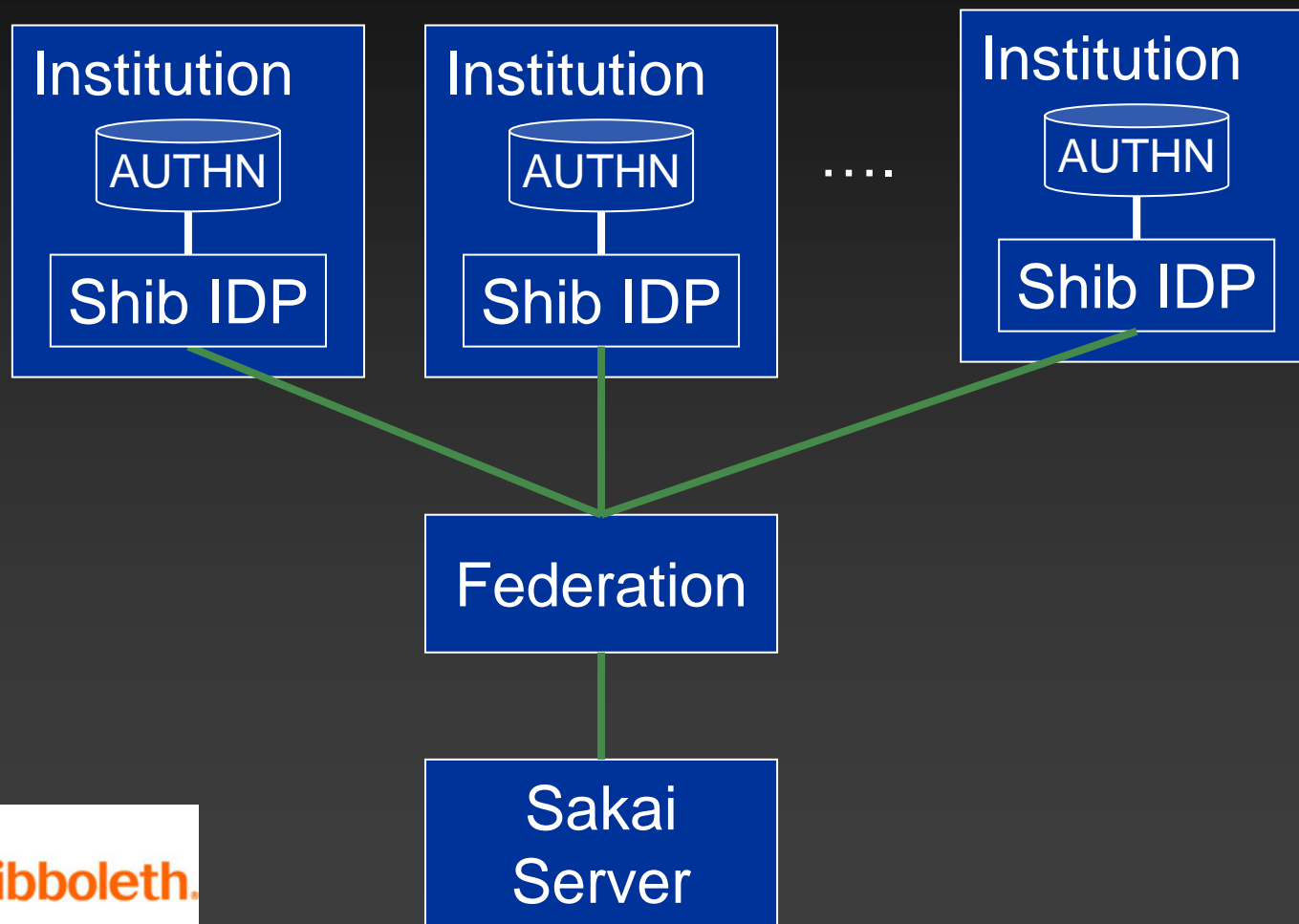


Federated Identity in Sakai

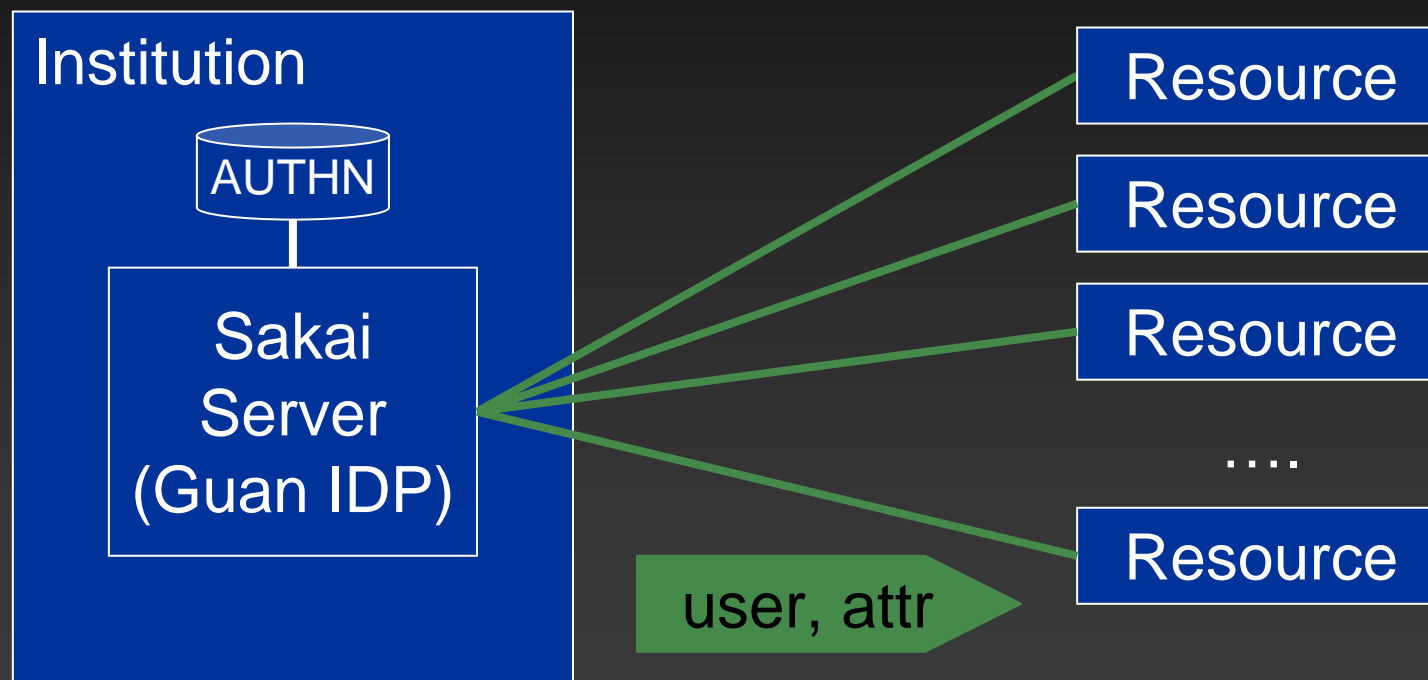
- SAML profiles - Shibboleth and GuanXi
- Shibboleth - Oxford
 - Federated identity for large groups to use a Sakai server with support for distributed AUTHN/AUTHZ
- GuanXi - University of the Highlands and Islands
 - Allows inclusion of Shib-enabled resources into a Sakai Collaborative Environment
 - Allows elements of Sakai to be used/included in another environment



Shibboleth Use Case

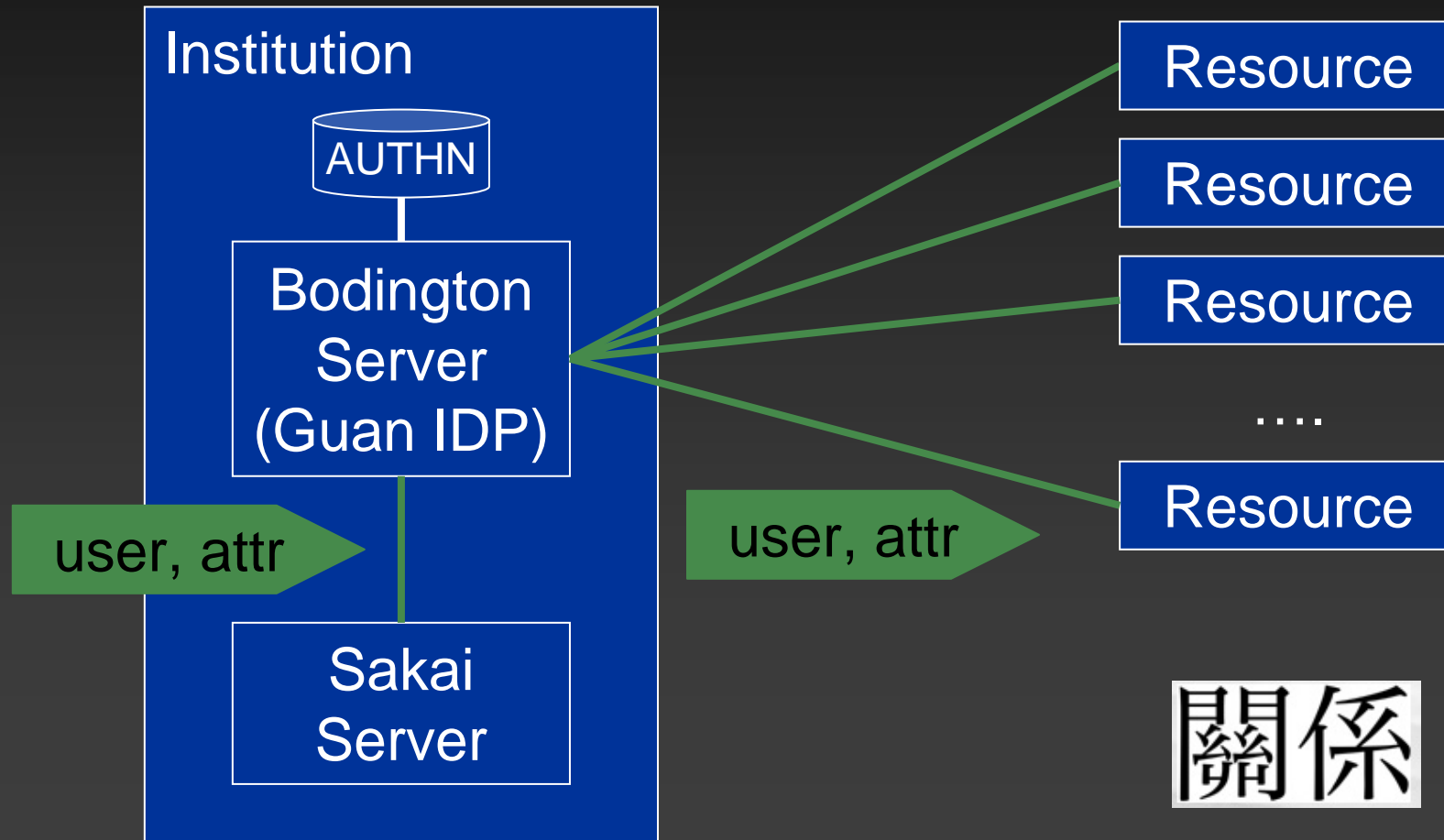


GuanXi Use Case I



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GuanXi Use Case II



GuanXi in Sakai



To access the resource you requested, you must first login to your Identity Provider

| | |
|--|----------|
| <input type="text" value="uhistdnt1"/> | Username |
| <input type="password" value="*****"/> | Password |
| <input type="button" value="Login"/> | |

Guanxi@UHI Millennium Institute

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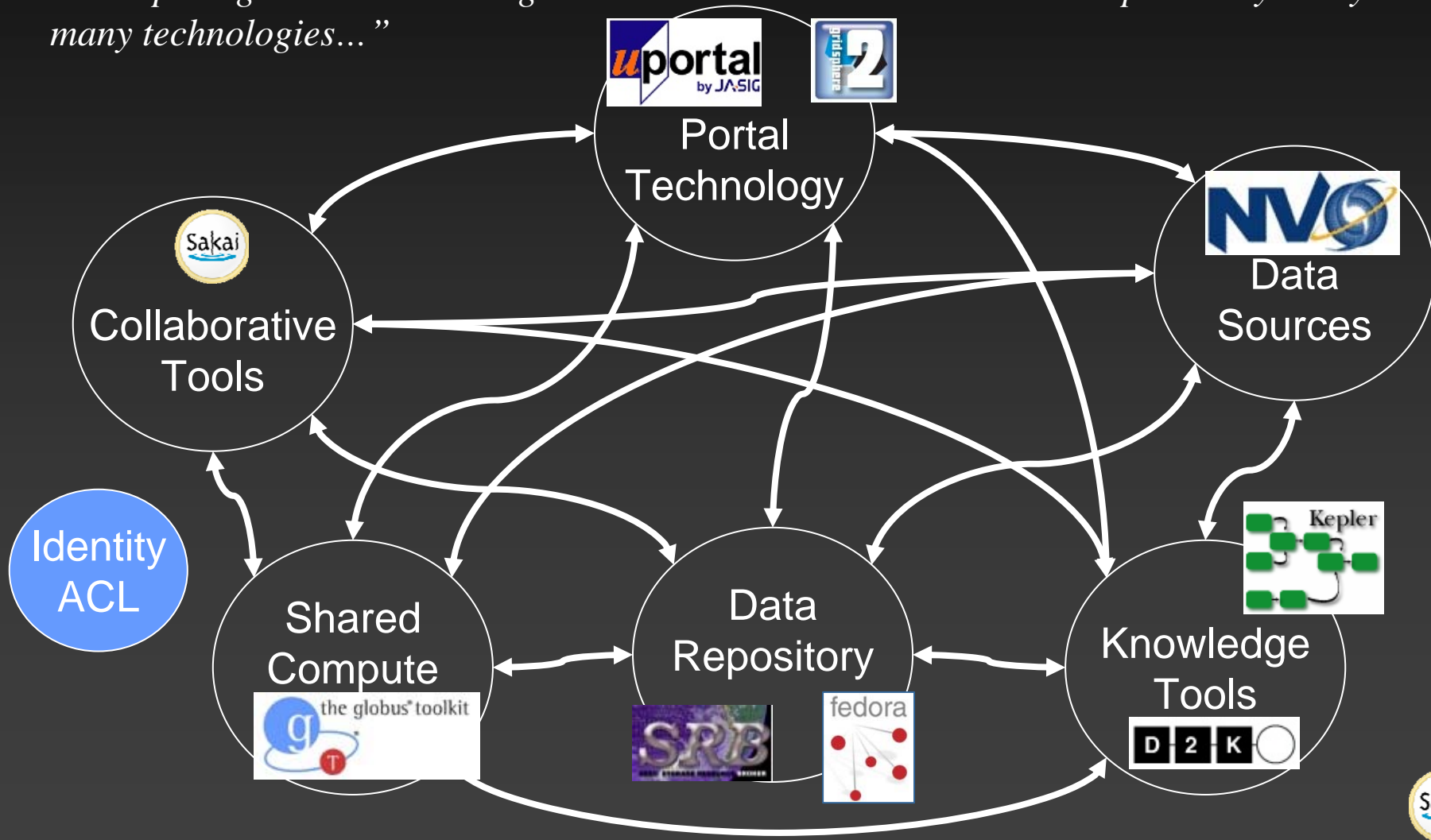
The Ecology of Collaborative eScience



Scope of Collaborative E-Science

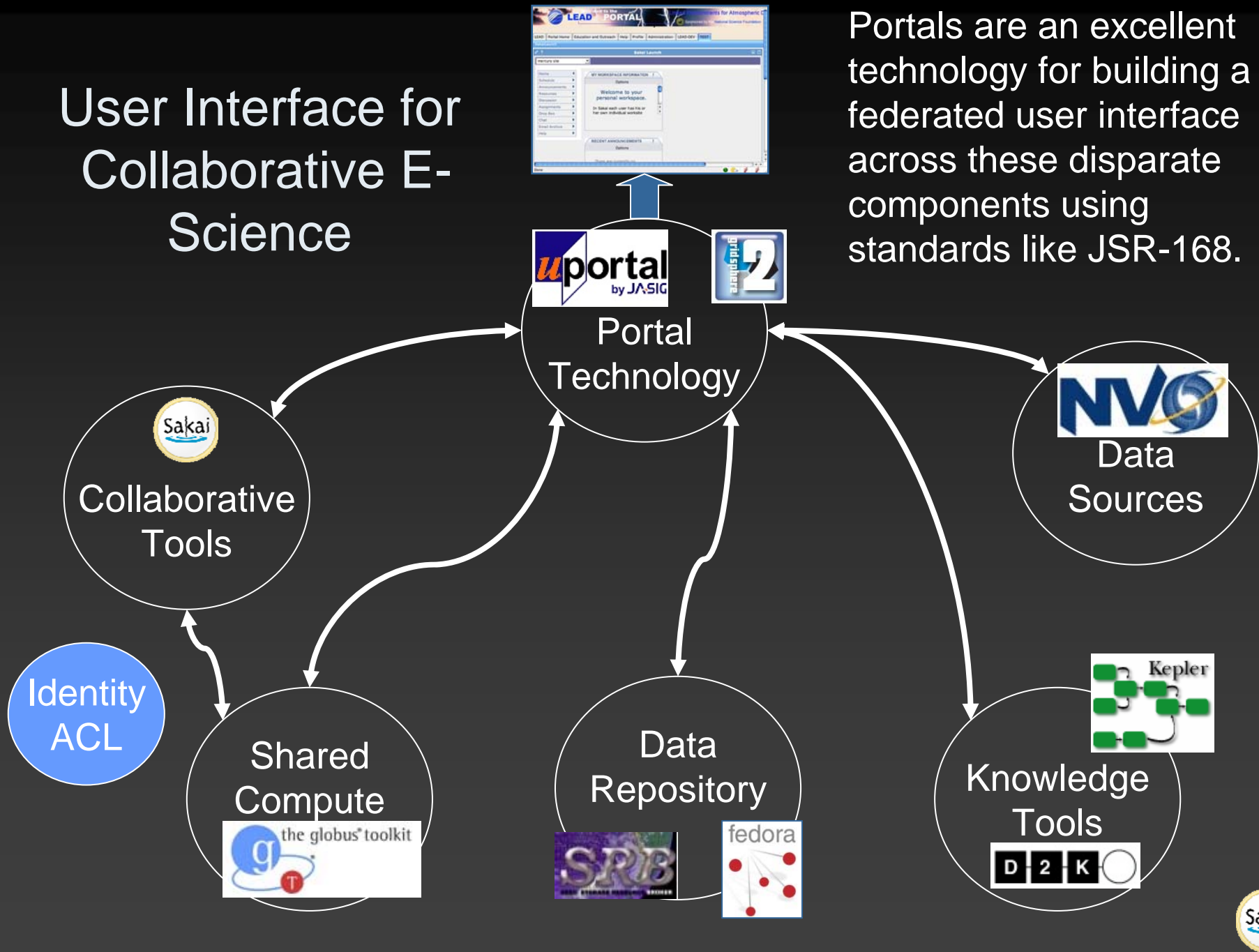
“..composing and orchestrating many technologies...”

“..interoperability is key...”

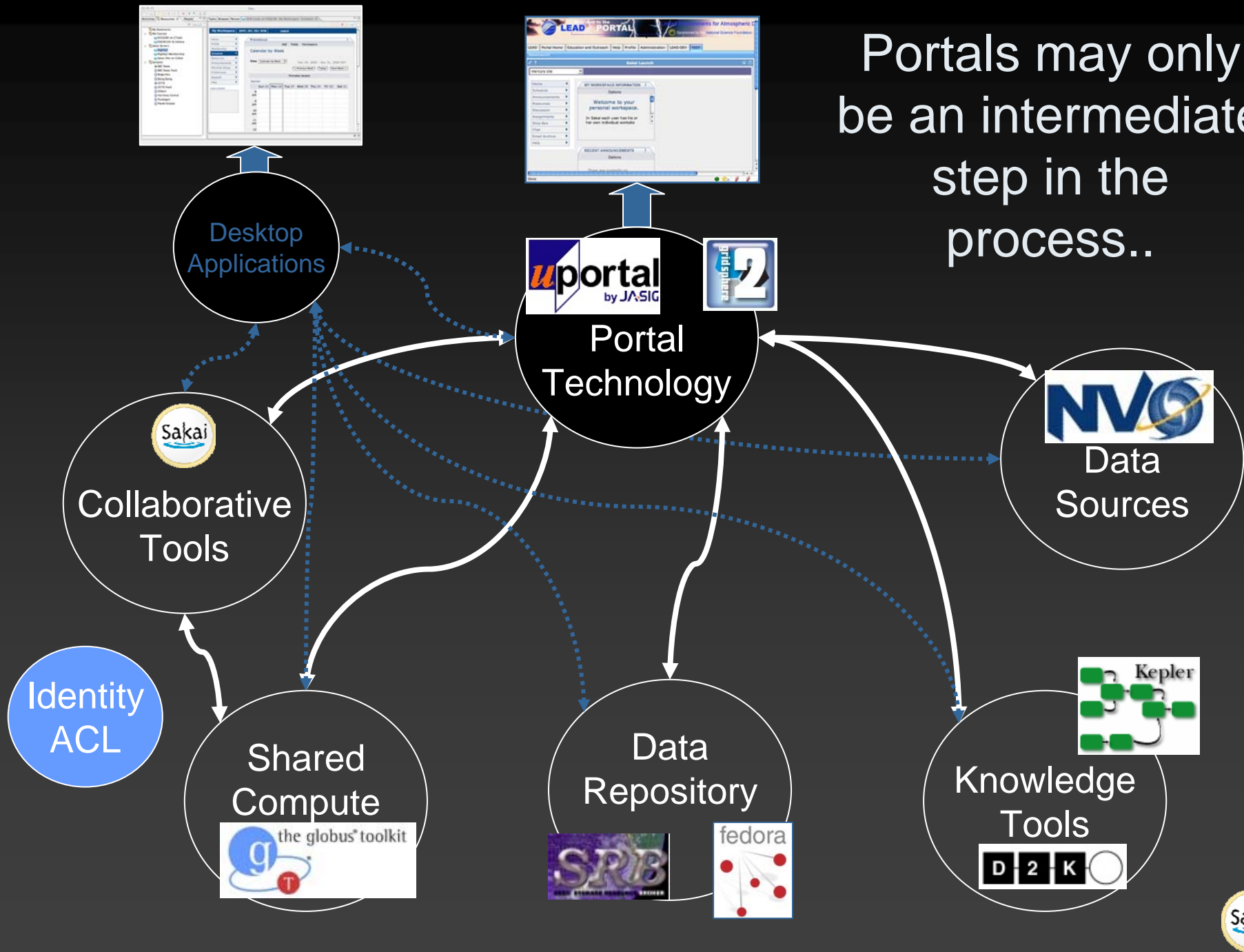


User Interface for Collaborative E-Science

Portals are an excellent technology for building a federated user interface across these disparate components using standards like JSR-168.

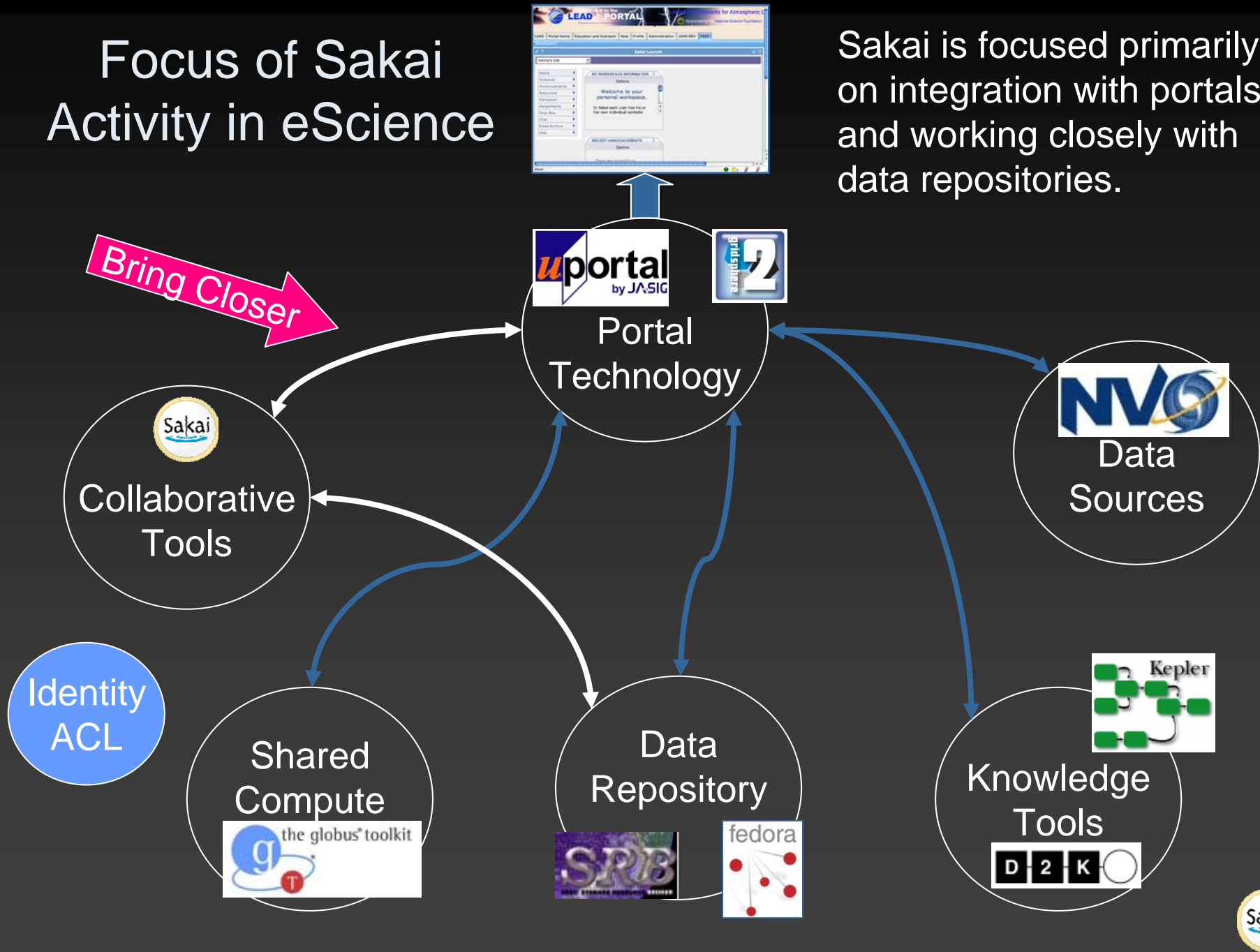


Portals may only be an intermediate step in the process..



Focus of Sakai Activity in eScience

Sakai is focused primarily on integration with portals and working closely with data repositories.



JSR-168 in Sakai



Sakai JSR-168 Roadmap

- Build support in Sakai for JSR-168 using Pluto 1.1 - expected in Sakai 2.4 2Q07
- Enable the use of existing *truly portable* JSR-168 portlets within Sakai
- Enable new Sakai tools to be written as JSR-168 portlets
 - This will only be suitable for the class of tools that simply need a unique placement.
 - Will lead to a set of simple and very reusable collaborative tools



JSR-168 In Sakai

- Took some NSF and JISC funding and retained David DeWolf - lead committer for Pluto and JSR-286 EG member to put Pluto 1.1 into Sakai
- Coordination / Sakai Architecture work is being handled by Ian Boston of Cambridge
- Expect initial version for Daresbury, UK to test early December 2006



Use Cases for Sakai-168

- Prepare a Pluto-style portlet war file and drop it into Sakai as a webapp - auto register
- Users simply use Sakai's Site Info tool to place portlets like any other Sakai tool
- It will be possible to use any Sakai API within a JSR-168 Portlet
- Sakai will provide a JSR-168 compliant classes so that portlets have the same look and feel as Sakai tools



ETUDES : DEMO CSEV 101 DEV : Site Info

http://etudes-ng.fhda.edu/portal/site/102541d0-34c2-47db-00ce-dd172f3ef34 edudes powered by Sakai

scidac2 Collab Bugs Confluence Desiderata GVideo Rutgers uPortal 2.4.3 IMSTI Pluto Obj-C Sakai

ETUDES^{ng} [Logout](#)

My Workspace | **DEMO CSEV 101 DEV** | **Users Group**

- Home
- Schedule
- Announcements
- Modules
- Assignments
- Tests & Quizzes
- Discussion and Private Messages
- Gradebook
- Site Info**

users present:
Chuck Severance

SITE INFO

Revising site tools for DEMO CSEV 101 DEV...

Check boxes to add or remove tools from your site.

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|--|--|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Home | Description of the project, recent announcements, discussion, and chat items. |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Announcements | For posting current, time-critical information. |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Number Guess | A sample JSR-168 portlet which is a game to guess numbers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Chat Room | For real-time conversations in written form. |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Discussion and Private Messages | Jforum-Discussion Tool, Foothill |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | TestSuite1 | JSR-168 Conformance Test Portlets |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Gradebook | For storing and computing assessment grades from Tests & Quizzes or that are manually entered. |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Modules | Melete - Foothill Authoring Tool |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | News | For viewing content from online sources. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Resources | For posting documents, URLs to other websites, etc. |

Sakai Based Service : Gateway : Welcome

http://localhost:8080/portal/site/!gateway/page/!gatew

Sakai Based Service : Gateway ... Issue Navigator - Sakai /portal/branches/charon_veloc...

Sakai user id: password:

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Default ▾

Test Portlet #1 ?

TEST PASSED

SimpleAttributeTest

- PLT [unknown] - Retrieve Missing Session Attribute Test
Retrieves an attribute bound to an invalid key set are retrieved as null.
- PLT [unknown] - checkGetNullAttribute
Ensure that if an attribute bound to an invalid key is retrieved, null is returned.
- PLT [unknown] - Retrieve Missing Context Attribute Test
Retrieves an attribute bound to an invalid key set are retrieved as null.
- PLT [unknown] - Set Attribute Test
Sets and retrieves portlet sessionuest attribute.
- PLT [unknown] - checkSetAttribute
Ensure that attributes can be set to portlet request.
- PLT [unknown] - Set Attribute Test
Sets and retrieves portlet contextuest attribute.
- PLT [unknown] - Remove Session Attribute Test
Sets, removes and retrieves portlet request attribute.
- PLT [unknown] - checkRemoveAttribute
Ensure that attributes can be removed from portlet request.
- PLT [unknown] - Remove Context Attribute Test
Sets, removes and retrieves portlet request attribute.
- PLT [unknown] - checkEnumerateAttributes
Sets session attributes and enumerates over them.
- PLT [unknown] - checkEnumerateAttributes
Ensure that all attribute names appear in the attribute name enumeration returned by portlet request.
- PLT [unknown] - checkEnumerateAttributesInContext
Sets attributes in portlet context and enumerates over them.

<< >>

Test Portlet #1 ?

TEST PASSED

AppScopedSessionAttributeTest

- PLT 15.3 - checkGetEmptyAppScopedAttribute
Retrieve an attribute that has not been set in the session's application scope and ensure it's value is null.
- PLT 15.3 - checkSetAppScopedAttribute

Done



Sakai WorkGroup Portal



Sakai WorkGroup Portal


- Allows Sakai to be used as a simple Content Management System like Mambo or Plone
- Display any site which grants the anonymous user permission
- Site buttons are controlled by which permissions are granted to the anonymous user.
- Sakai Workgroup portal is expected in Sakai 2.4



Sakai Based Service : Gateway : Welcome

http://localhost:8080/portal


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user id: password:

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Message of the day 

There are currently no messages at this location.

Welcome! 

Welcome to Sakai

Welcome to the Sakai Demo. The Demo configuration was created as a way to let you get an instance of Sakai up and running quickly and easily. For more information about installing a Sakai solution appropriate for production needs please read the readme files, and visit the Sakai website at sakaiproject.org, and the Sakai Developer's site at collab.sakaiproject.org.

The information displayed here can be modified by the Sakai Administrator by editing the file `sakai.properties` configuration value "server.info.url" to point to the html file desired.



Sakai Based Service : Administration Workspace : Home

http://localhost:8080/portal

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Sakai Sites

[Logout](#)

My Workspace | Administration Workspace | Portfolio Admin

- Home
- [Users](#)
- [Aliases](#)
- [Sites](#)
- [Realms](#)
- [Worksite Setup](#)
- [MOTD](#)
- [Resources](#)
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- [Site Archive](#)
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Users present:
Sakai Administrator

Message of the Day

[Options](#)

There are currently no messages at this location.

My Workspace Information

[Options](#)

Welcome to your personal workspace.

In Sakai each user has his or her own individual worksite called My Workspace. My Workspace is a place where you can keep personal documents, create new sites, maintain a schedule, store resources, and much more.

The default information displayed here for a new user can be modified by the Sakai Administrator by editing the file sakai.properties configuration value "myworkspace.info.url" to point to the html file desired.

Tools



Sakai Based Service : Gateway : Welcome

http://localhost:8080/portal

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Sakai Sites user id: password: Login

Home | Community | Download | Developers | Roadmap | Requirements
Latest Release | Quick Start | Installation Instructions | Previous Versions

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Tools

Show only the tools for which the .anon role has permission

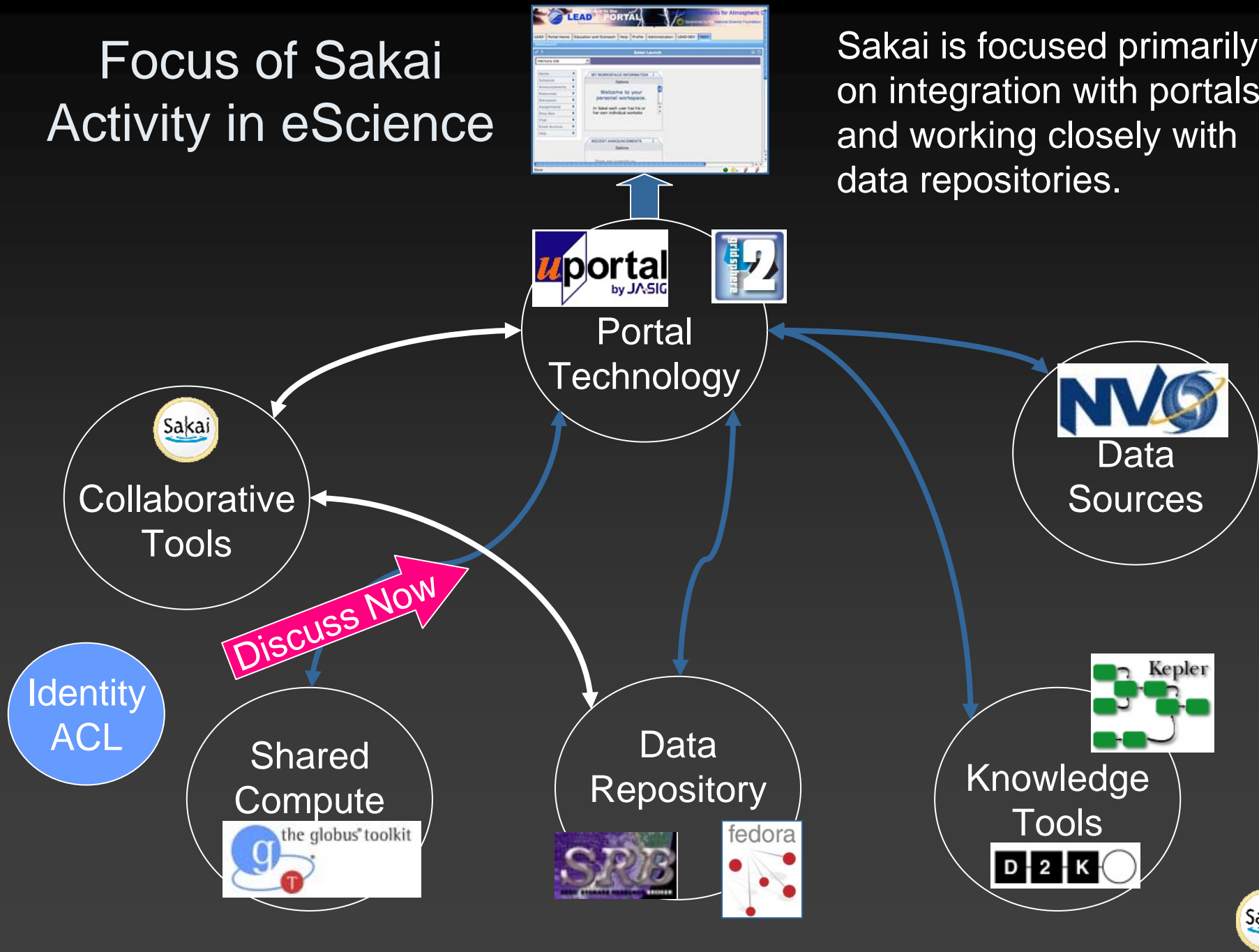


Sakai Repository Integration Approach

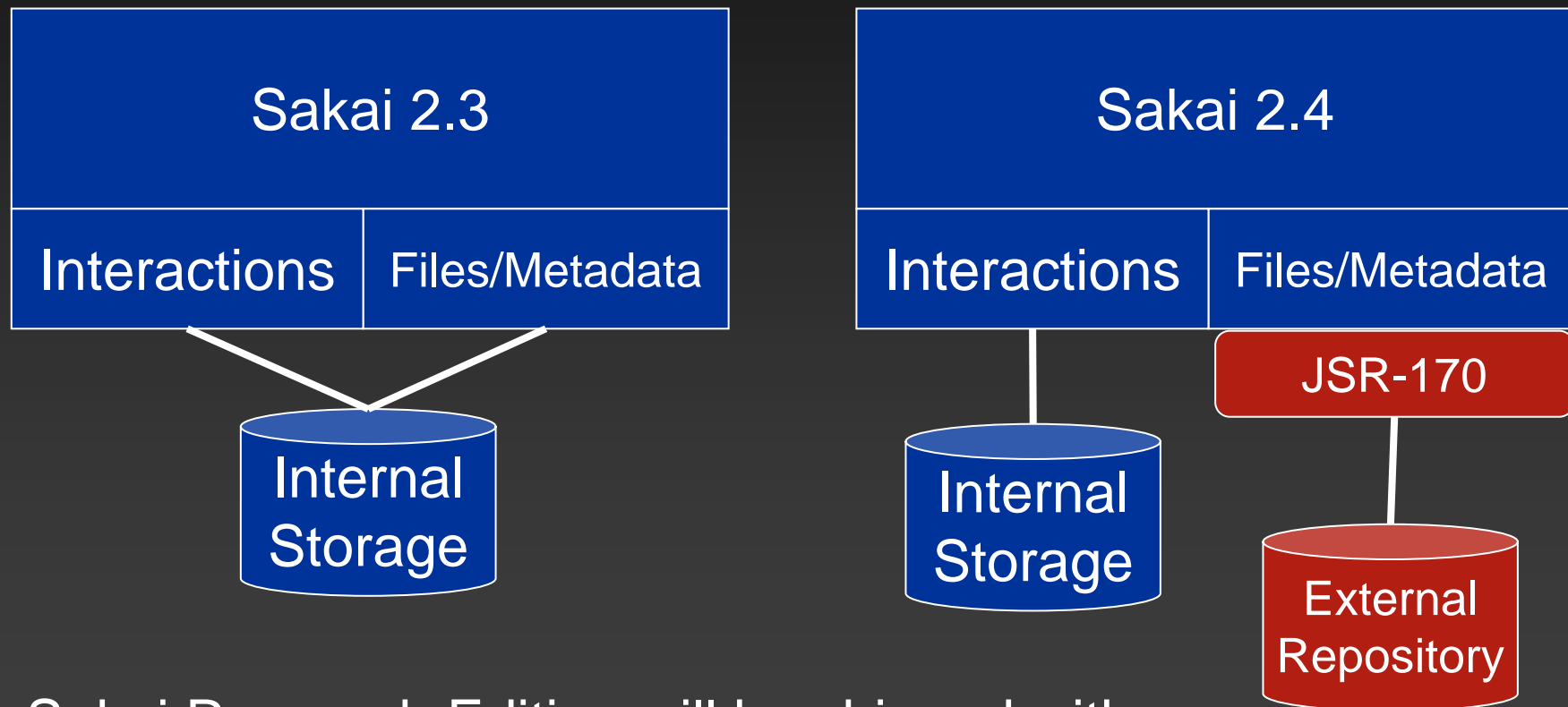


Focus of Sakai Activity in eScience

Sakai is focused primarily on integration with portals and working closely with data repositories.



Sakai and Data Repositories



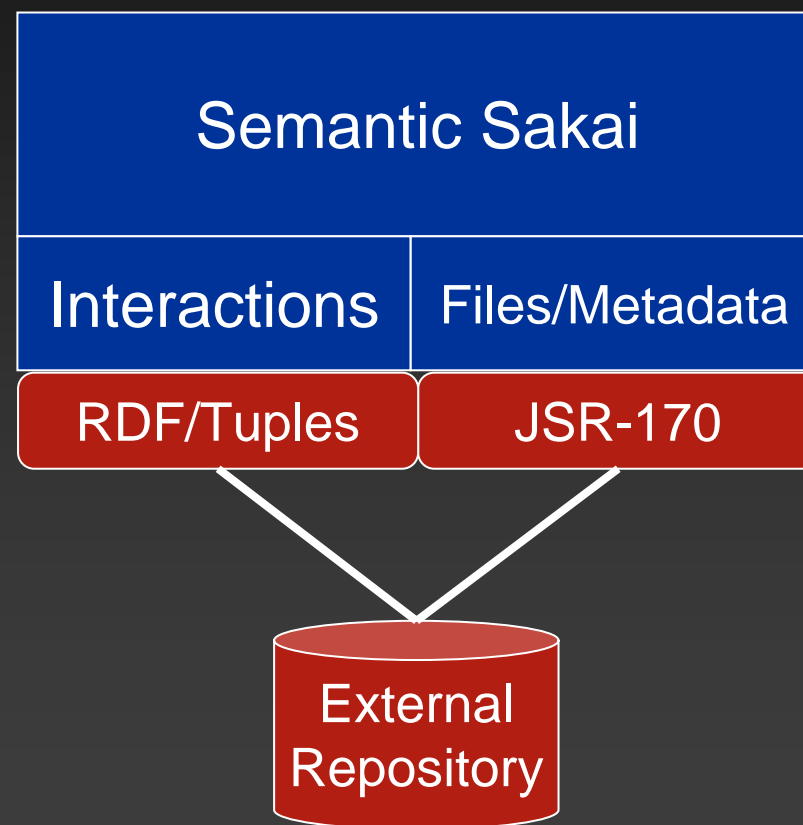
Sakai Research Edition will be shipped with the Jakarta Jack-Rabbit JSR-170 implementation.



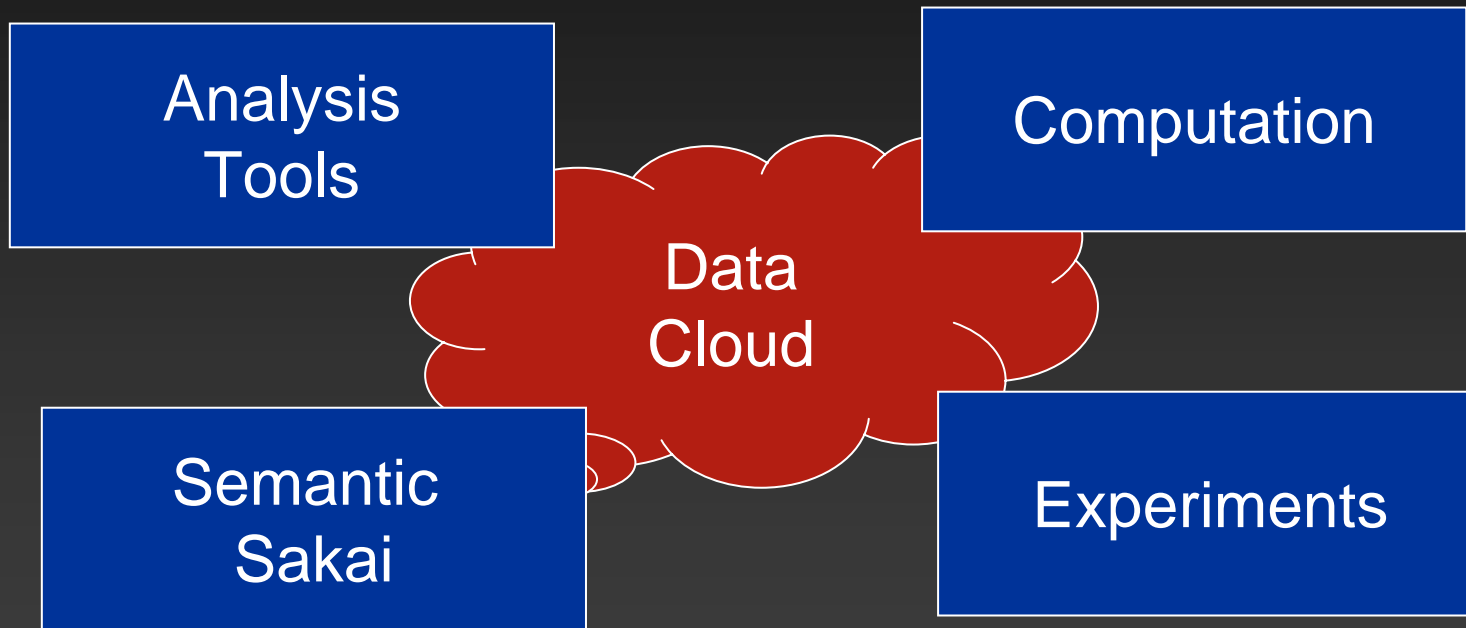
Semantic Sakai

The goal is to also store all of the interaction information in an external repository with complete cross-linking between interaction data and file data as well as data from other sources.

Working on funding and a partner community for this activity.



Adding Collaboration to the Data Cloud



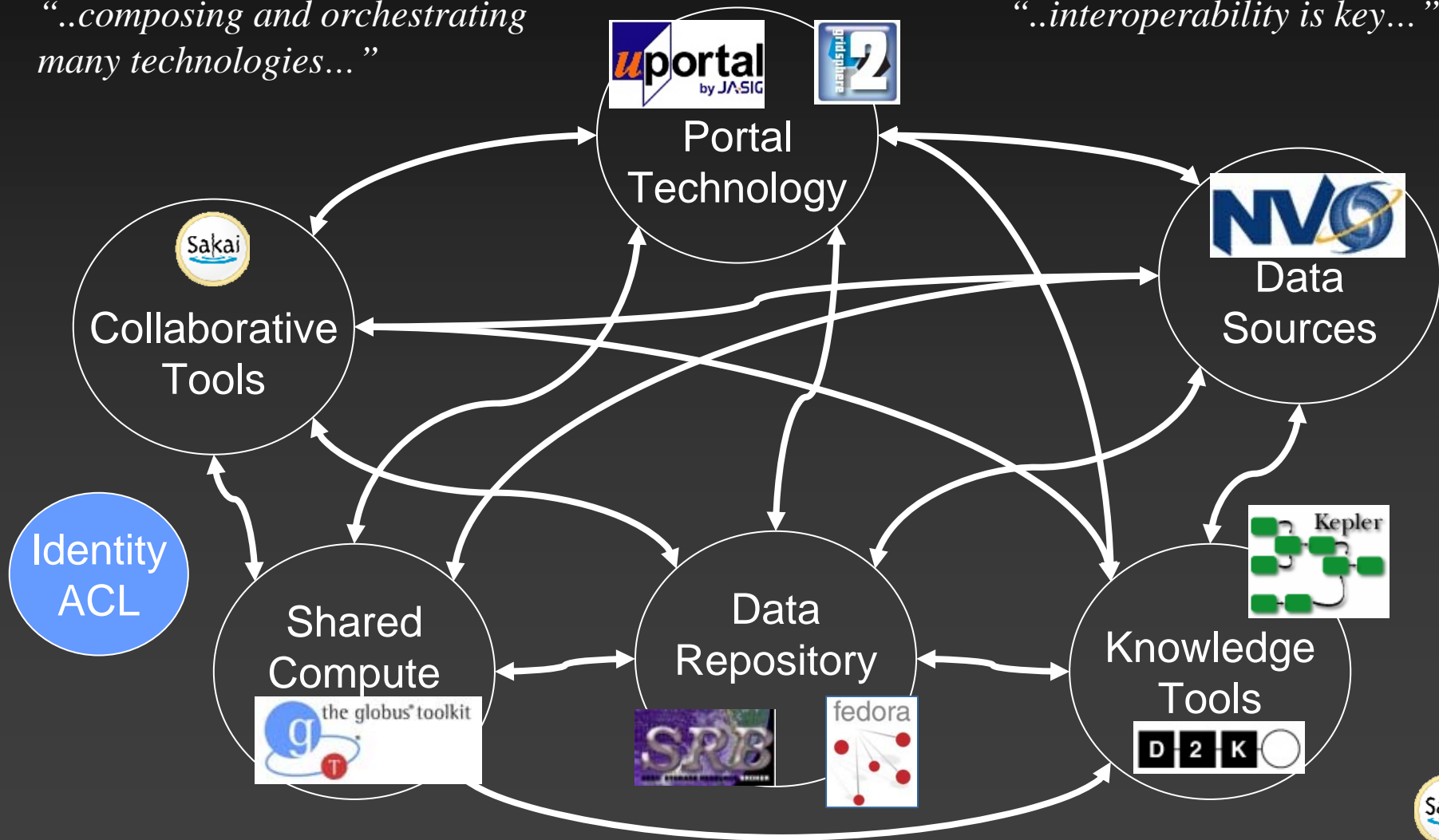
Semantic Sakai is future deliverable with the goal of storing all collaborative activity in semantically rich formats in an external repository.

Issues in Middleware

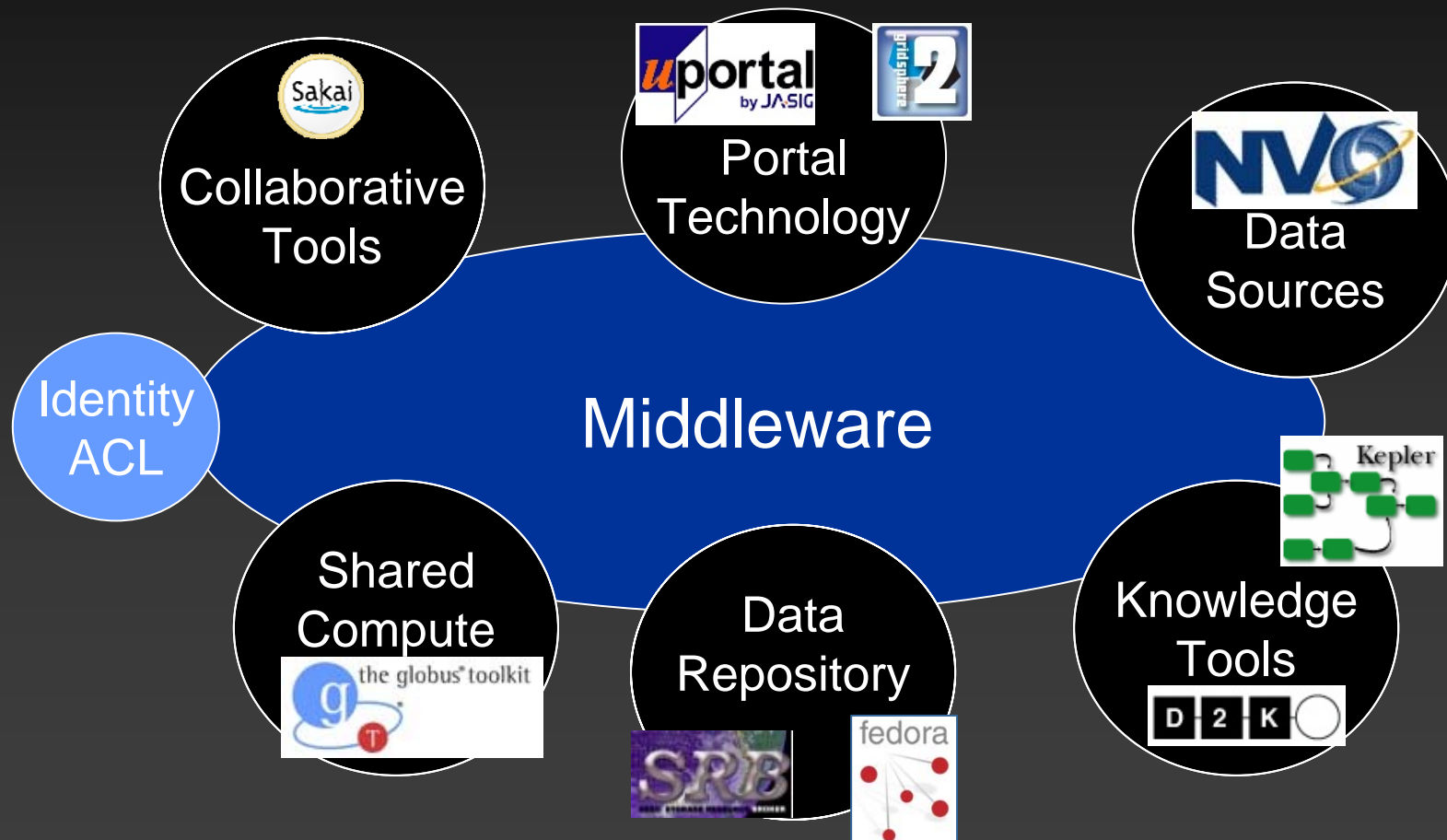
Where is the Middleware?

“..composing and orchestrating many technologies...”

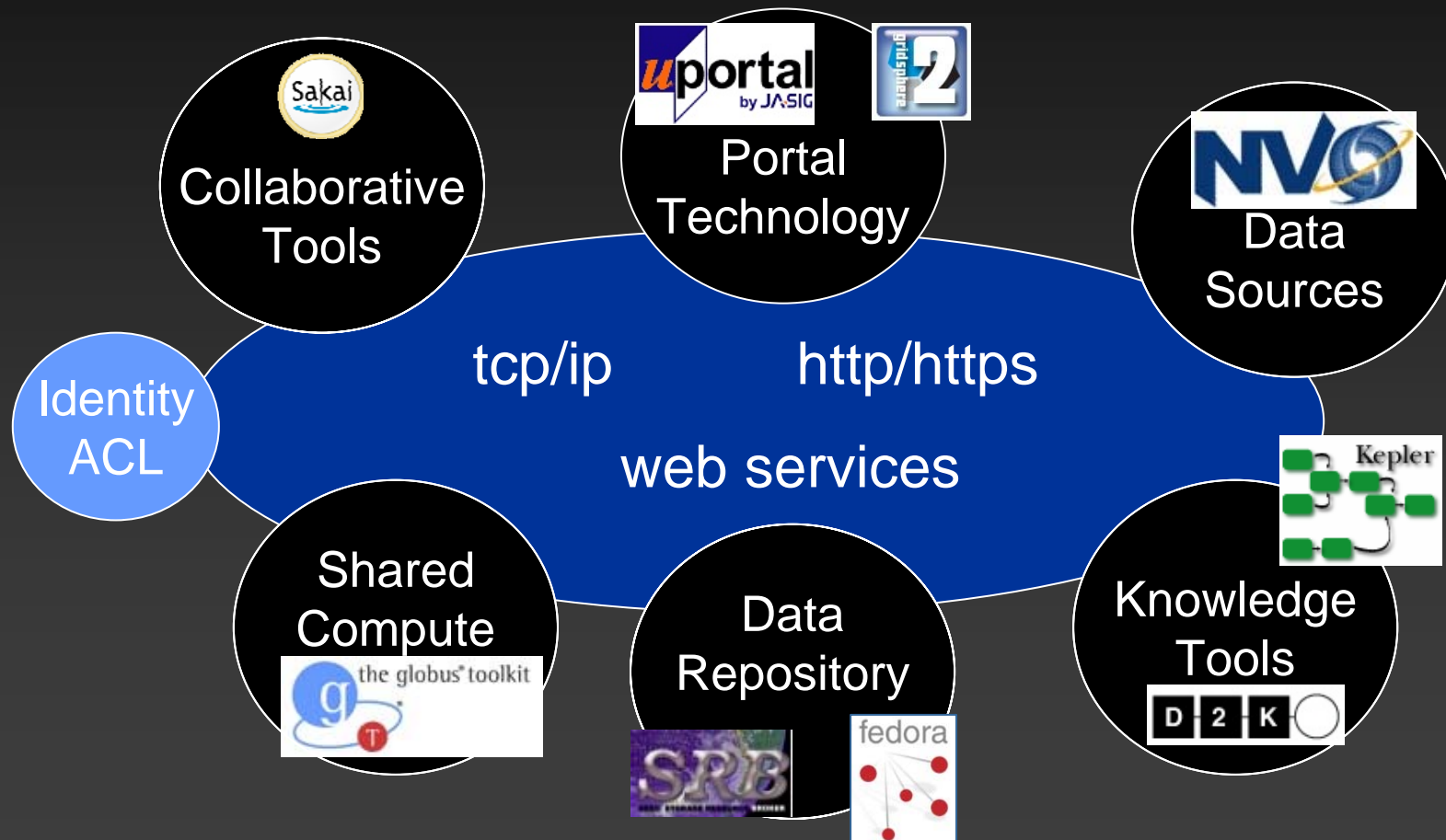
“..interoperability is key...”



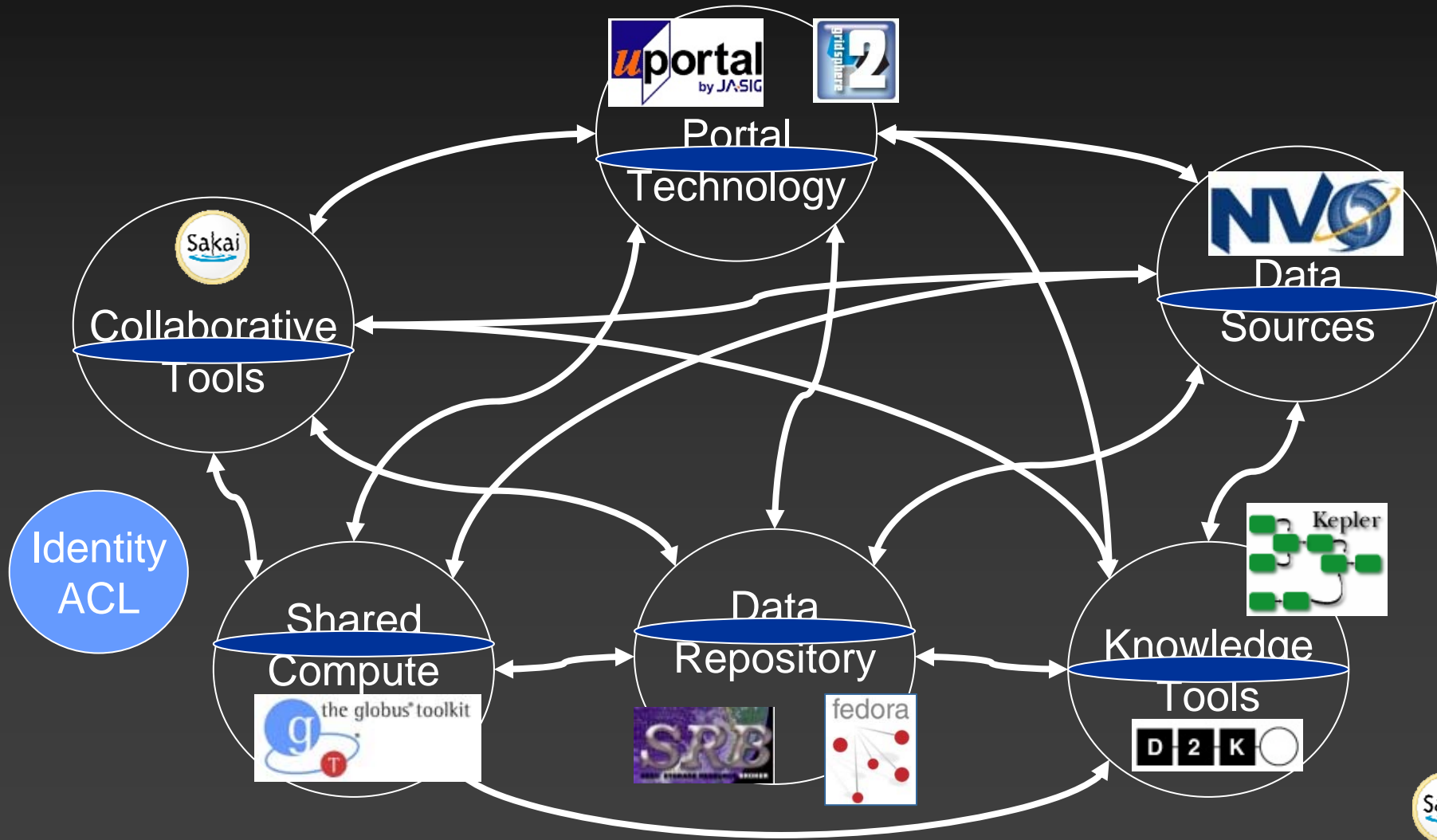
Is Middleware The Universal Connector?



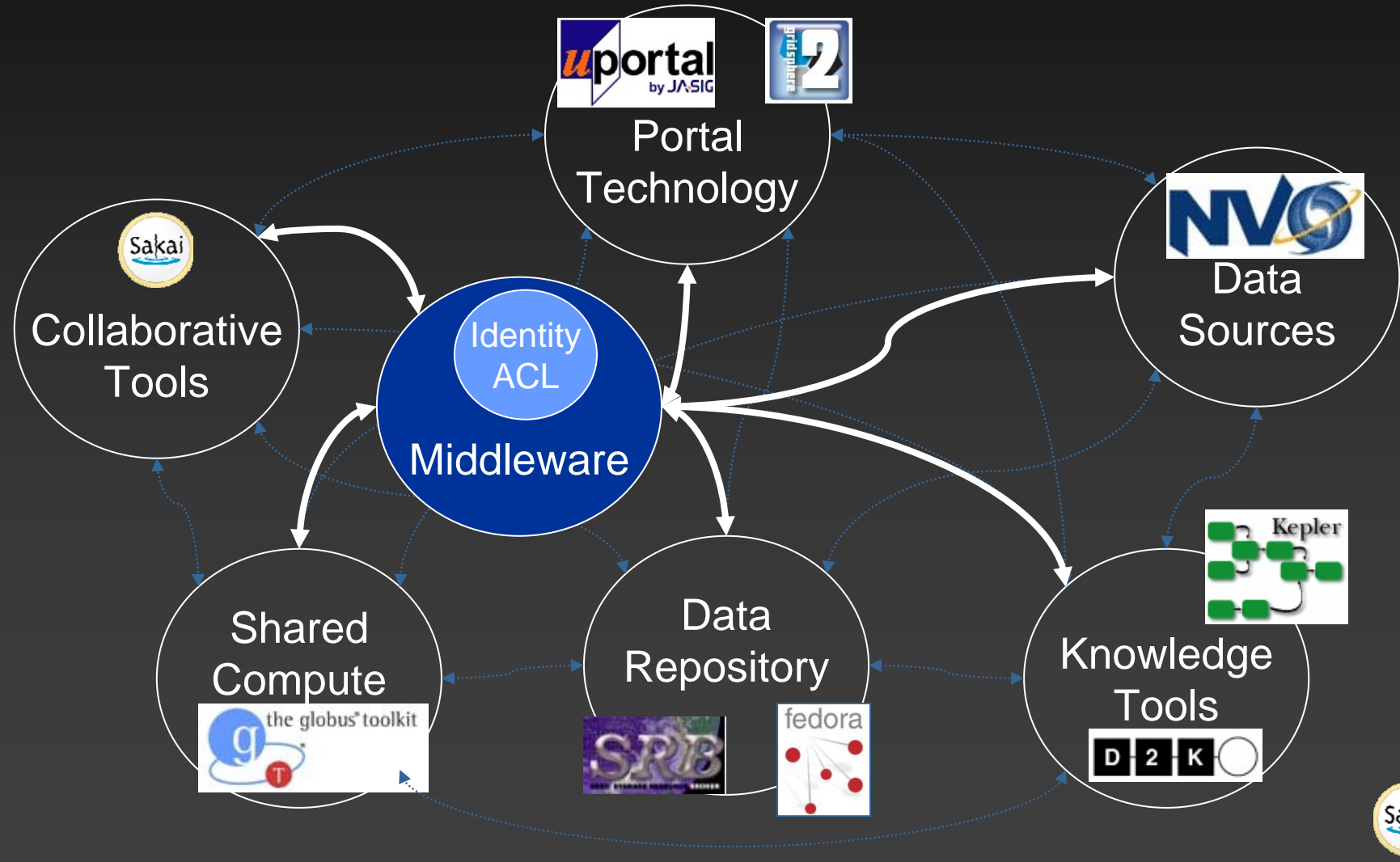
The Universal Connectors



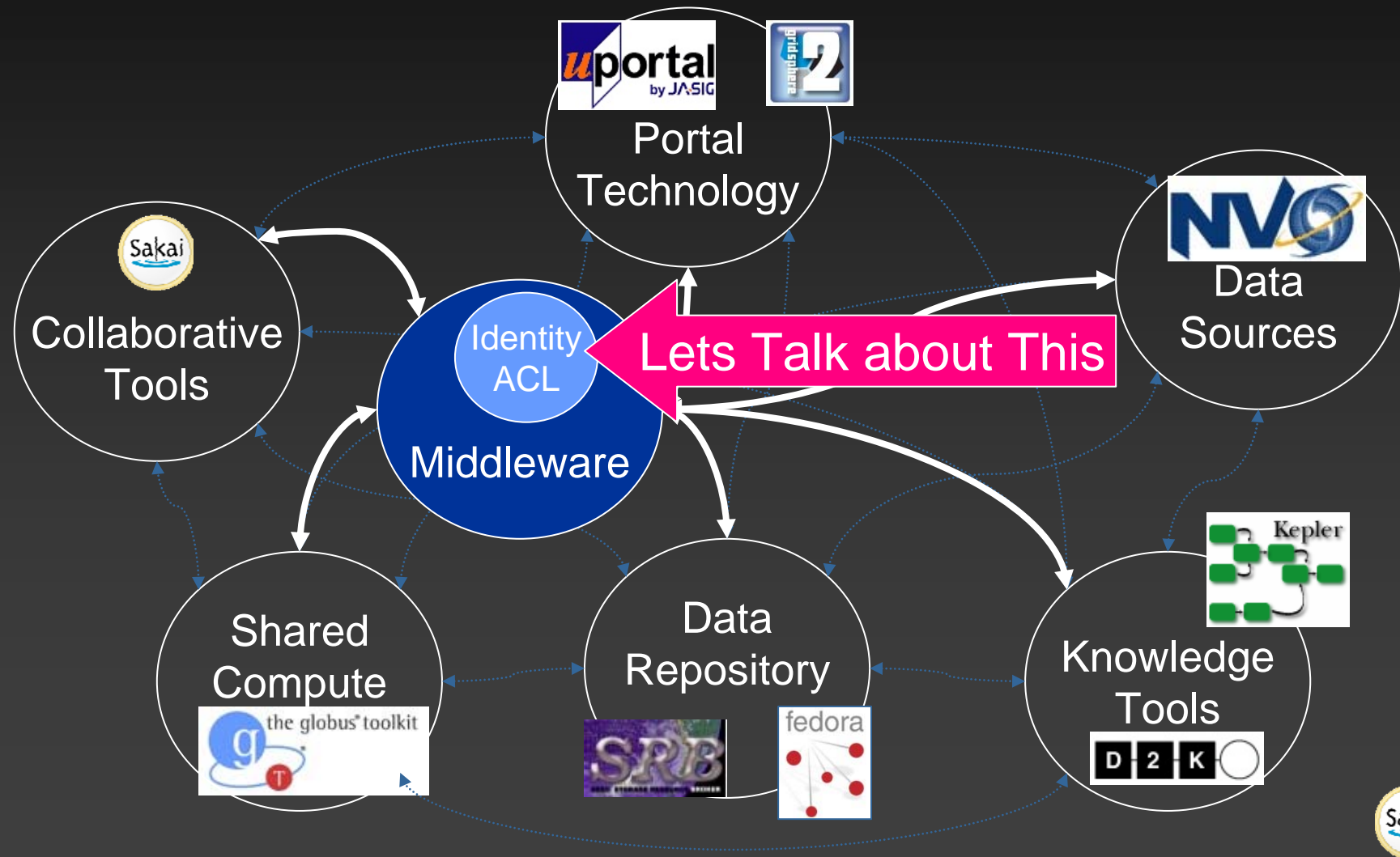
Is Middleware “inside” each application?



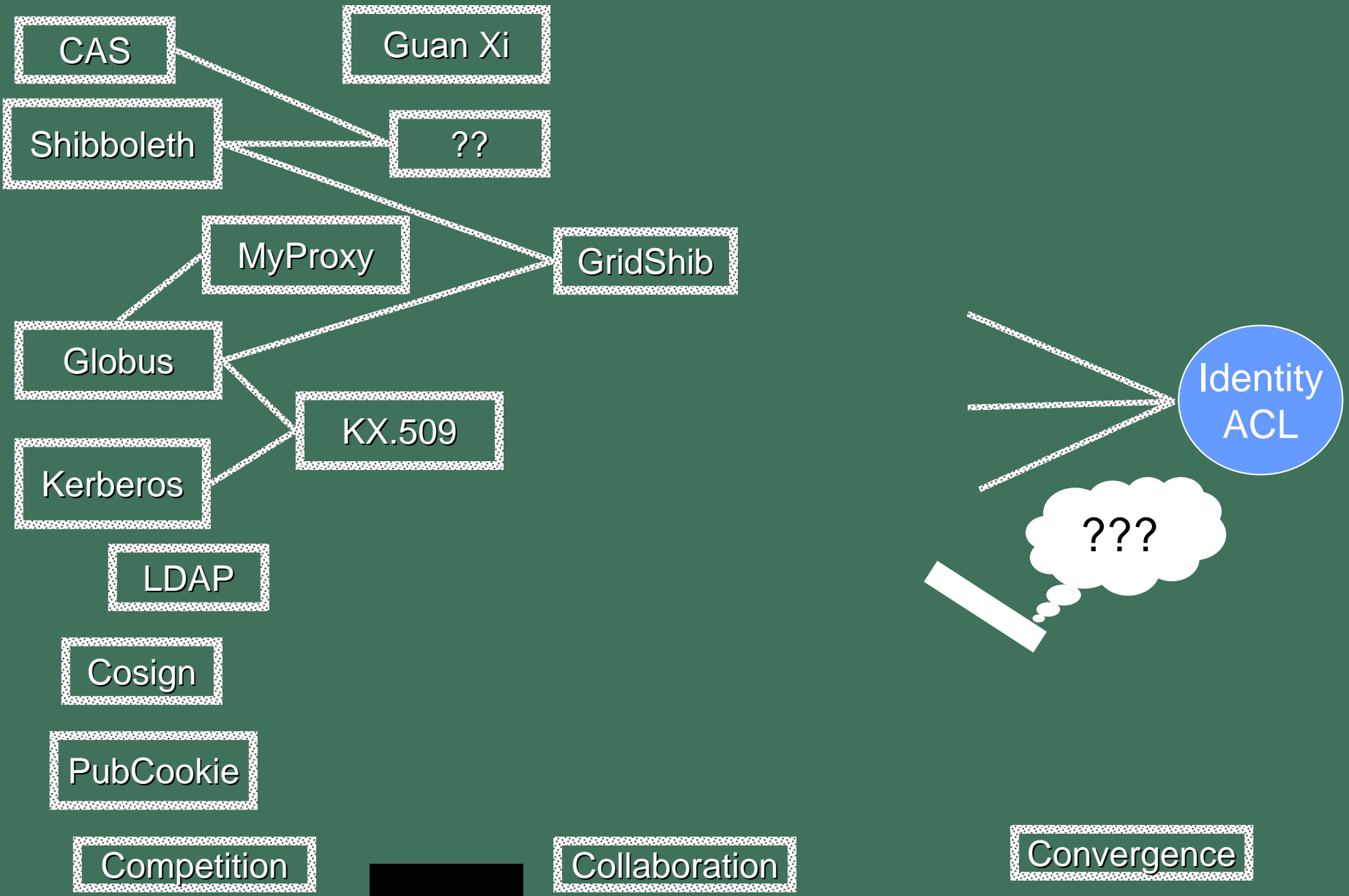
Middleware is simply another component - used as needed



Identity and Access Control: A very important function of Middleware



Chalk Talk: Identity and Access Control



Identity and ACL: Goal State

- One server - one software distribution
- Virtual Organization Software
- Supports all protocols
 - Globus Certificate Authority
 - Shibboleth
 - LDAP
 - MyProxy
 - Kerberos
- Who will do this? Who will fund this? Who can get these competitors to cooperate?





My eScience Fantasy

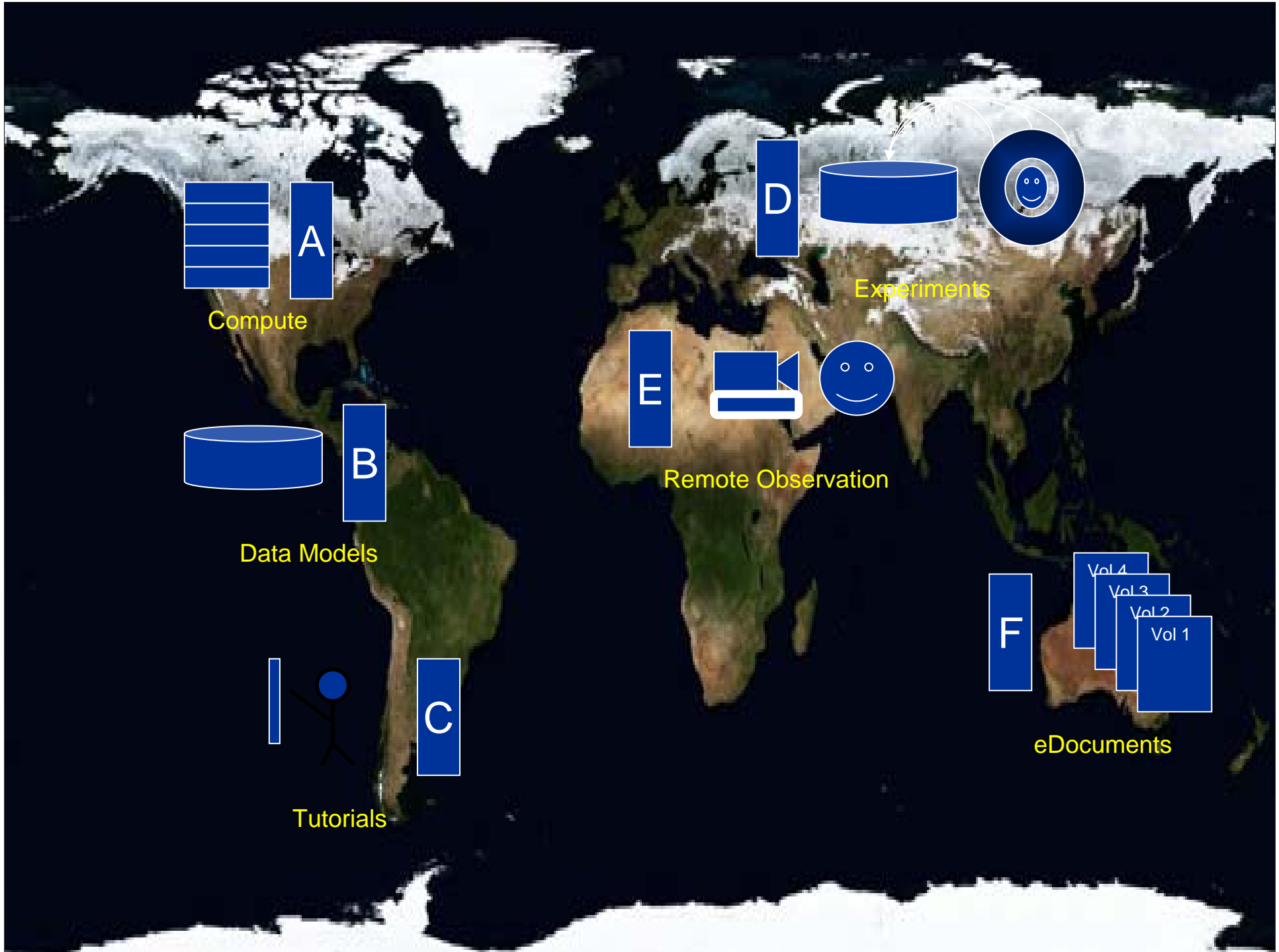


The pre-requisites

- My net worth is \$5B (I give myself grants)
- I encounter some tech-savvy scientists in a field who are using technology to do world-class research...
- They have never been visited by any other computer scientist...
- They are working in groups of 1-30 geographically distributed around the world
- They all work on a beach with Internet2 connections and wide-open wireless and favourable exchange rates







A

Compute



B

Data Models



C

Tutorials

D



Experiments

E



Remote Observation

F



eDocuments

Step 1: Visit The Scientists

- Understand what they are doing and how they are doing it?
- Ask them how they would like to improve it.
- Show each application to other scientists. Ask the other scientists how they would improve it.
- Help each group improve their work - help them using whatever technology they are currently using

Step 2: Add some technology

- Install the super-multi-protocol Virtual Organization software and provide a team supporting the VO software - identity and simple attributes
- Install Sakai - point it at the VO software for identity add icon at the top of Sakai
- Give each scientist an account in the VO
- Give each effort in the field a site within Sakai





Heart Study Collaboratory



Login

- My Workspace
- A
- ★ B
- C
- D
- E
- Open Forum

- Home
- Chat
- Resources
- Tutorials
- Site B ★
- Mail List
- Live Meetings

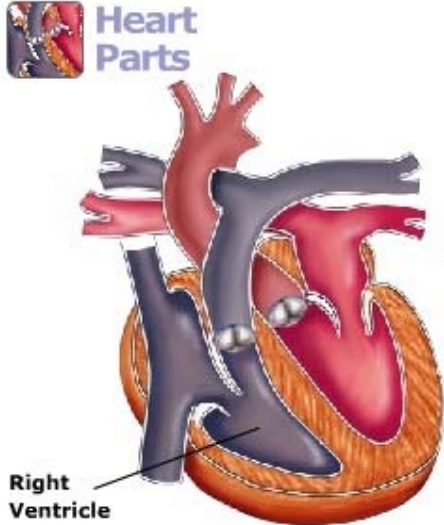
The Virtual Body

[The Human Heart](#)
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Heart Parts

Roll the mouse cursor over parts of the heart to see the anatomy labeled.



Right Ventricle

The right, lower chamber of the heart, distributes oxygen-poor blood to the lungs to get rid of carbon dioxide and acquire more oxygen.

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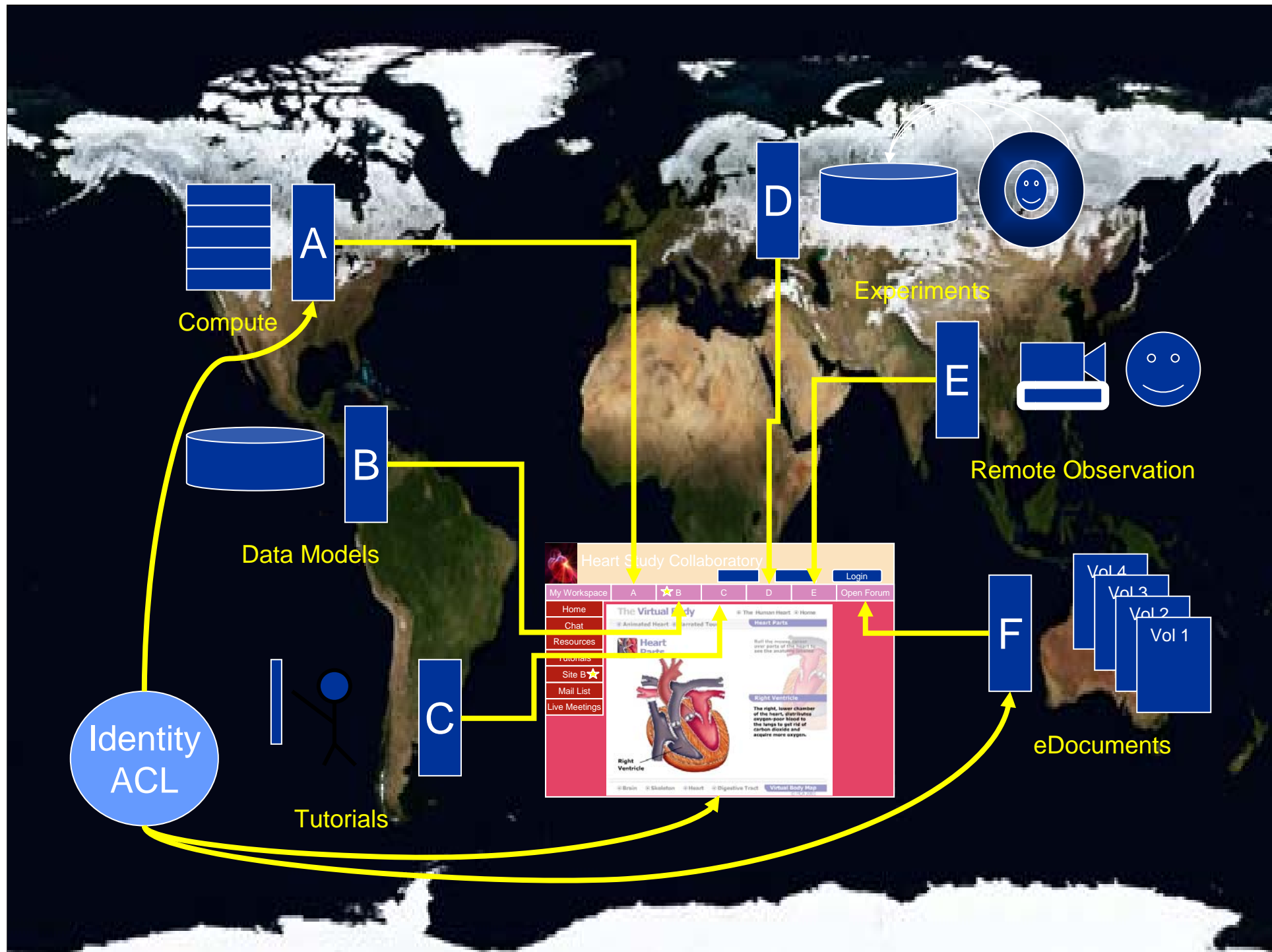
Virtual Body Map © H&A 2001



Step 2: Use the VO

- For those who want to protect their information, help them add SSO to their sites, backed by the VO service
- Since it is multi-protocol - likely there will be no modification of the underlying science code - only a server configuration change





Step 4: Unique Identifier Service

- Come up with a way for any member of the VO to “get” a unique identifier
- Demand some information (build a little data model)
 - Person’s name and organization (implicit from request)
 - What kind of thing this will represent (experiment, document, image series)
 - Simple description
 - Keyword/value extensions
- Build an simple way request and retrieve these through a simple web service - capture implicit metadata from request (when, IP address, etc). Make sure it works from perl!
- Encourage community to start marking “stuff” with these identifiers in their stovepipes
- Connect human communication to data elements to the extent possible



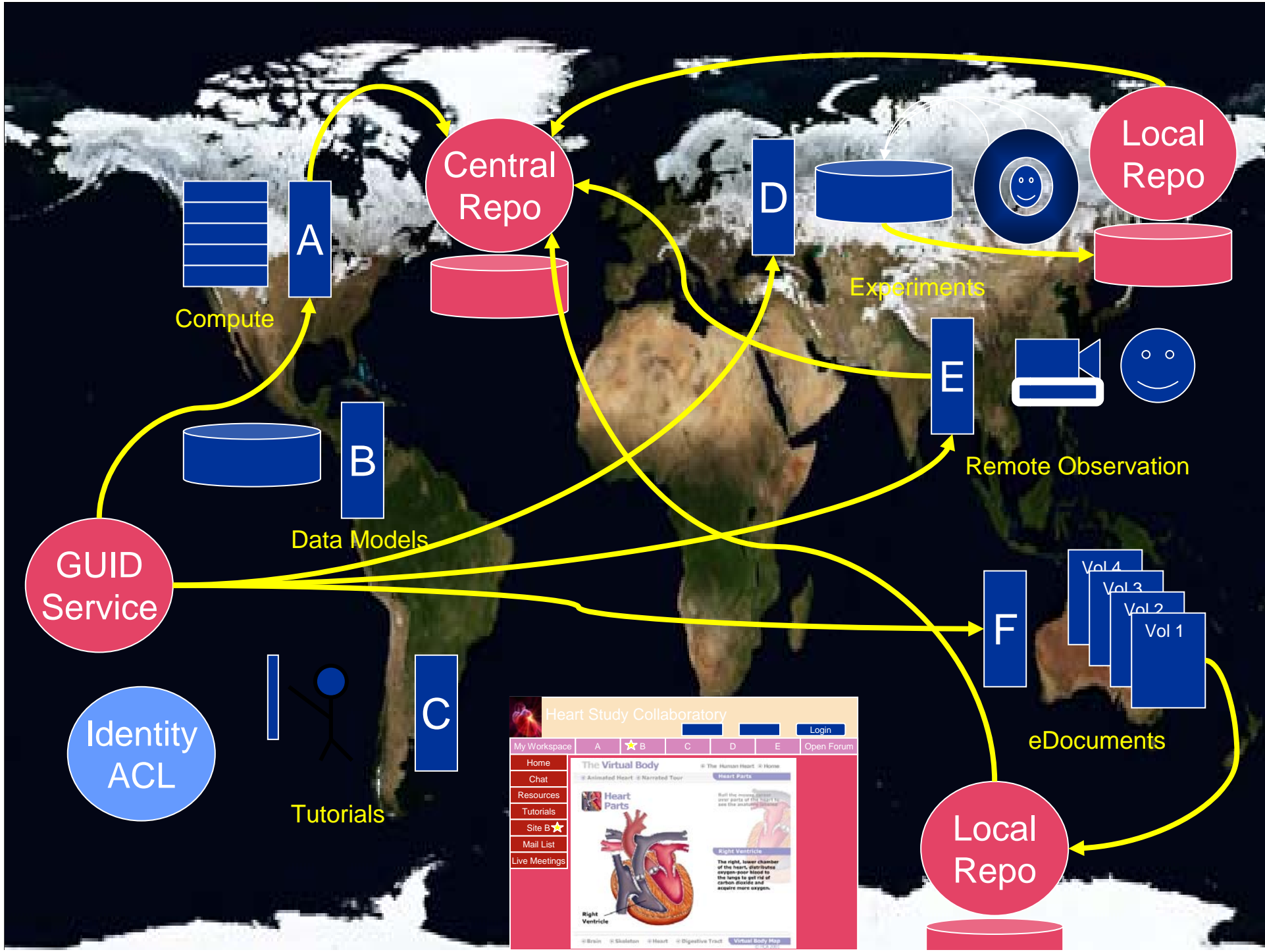
Step 5: Data Models

- Begin to work with subsets of the field to try to find common data models across stovepipes
- Start simple - use very simple RDF - human readable
- Broaden / deepen model slowly - explore variations
- Define simple file-system pattern for storing metadata associated with a file and/or a directory

Step 6: A Backup-Style Repo

- Build a data repository which will function as a backup
- Basic idea - each time you get identifier - this enables backup space - any data and/or metadata can be uploaded under that particular identifier and left in the repository
- Make the repo multi-protocol, FTP, DAV, Web-Service with attachments, GridFTP, etc.
- Make it so there can be a network of cooperating repositories





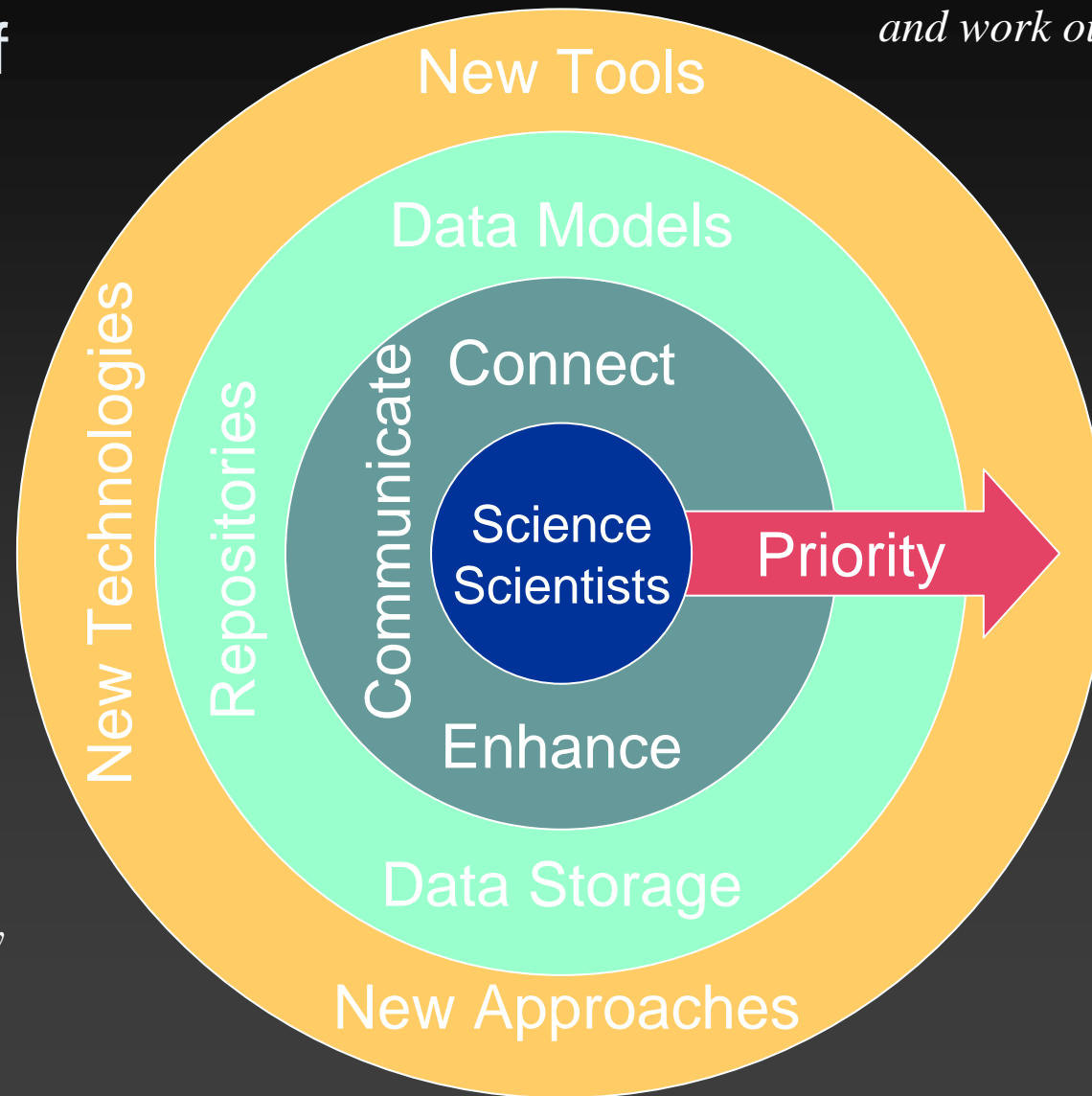
Year 4 and on...

- Once the basic stovepipes have been “brought in from the cold” and made part of a community with no harm, the next steps are to begin to work “cross-stovepipe”
 - Evolve data models to be far richer with many variants
 - Build value added tools that are aware of the data models and are usable across stovepipes
- Teach the community to build and share tools - gently encourage development standards - Java / JSR-168 perhaps
- Most important: Always listen to the users



Science at the center of eScience

*... start at the center
and work outwards...*



*... apply technology
when the users will
see it as a “win” ...*

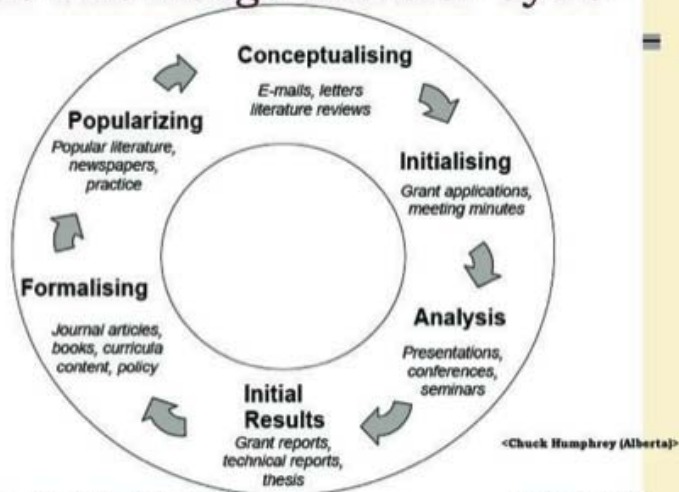
Overall Themes

- Minimize “impact” to the scientists
 - Understand
 - Assist
 - Expand capabilities
- Collaboration software extends / wraps current activity without rewrite

Thinking Ahead

Recording Human Activity and Associating it with eScience Data

The Knowledge Transfer Cycle



ARL Workshop on New Collaborative Relationships

26-27 September 2006

<Chuck Humphrey (Alberta)>

The "Data Pyramid": An Organizational Structure for Talking about Research Data

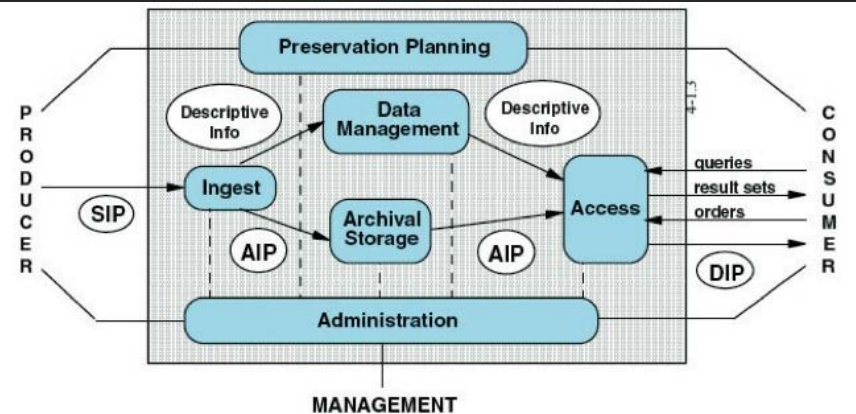
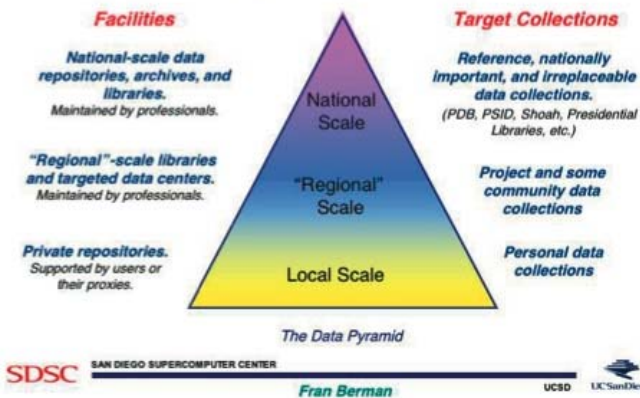


Figure II-3. OAIS Functional Entities

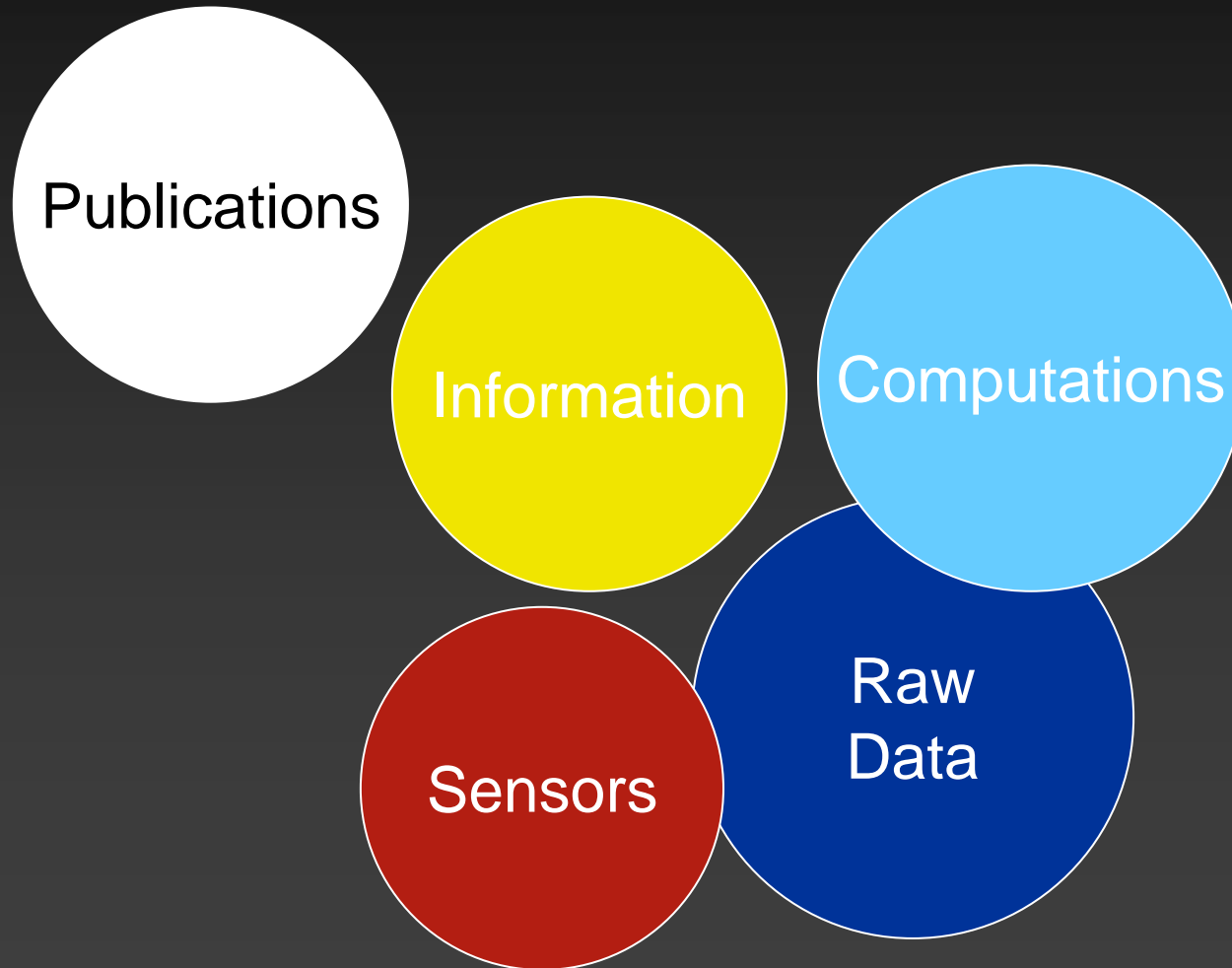
Source: Consultative Committee for Space Data Systems, Figure 4-1, p. 4-1

Long-term Stewardship of Digital Data Sets in Science and Engineering

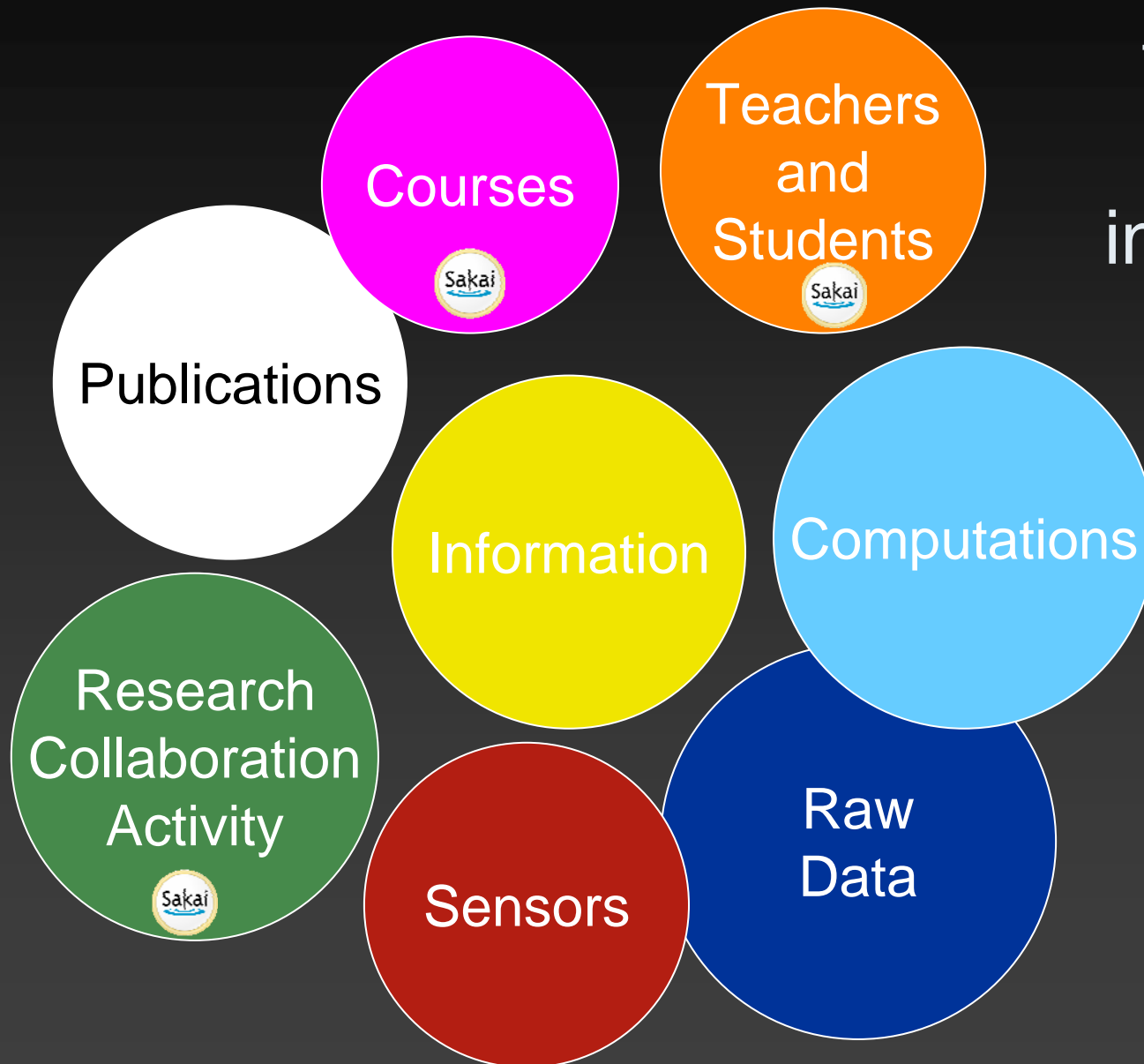
<http://www.arl.org/info/frn/other/ottoc.html>



Connecting Everything



What about
the people
and their
interactions?



We are approaching the Tricorder...

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tricorder>

Three primary variants of the tricorder are issued by Starfleet: **the standard tricorder is a general use device used primarily to scout unfamiliar areas.** The medical tricorder is used specifically by doctors to help diagnose diseases [...] The engineering tricorder is a variation on the device fine-tuned for starship engineering purposes. There are also many other lesser-used varieties of special use tricorders.



Commercial Tricorder

The Mark 1 TR-107 tricorder from Vital Technologies (top) was unveiled in 1996 as a real scientific device. **It could monitor electromagnetic fields, weather, color and light.** The company apparently made 10,000 of them before going out of business.



Some "Tricorder" Exercises





- Recording all of Reality - The ultimate "Blog"
 - CyborLogs
 - EyeTap
 - MyLifeBits
- A quick flight of fancy / motivating example of managing a lot of continuously collected and fully connected information using my own life as a silly example...
- My personal example of linked "human activity" data

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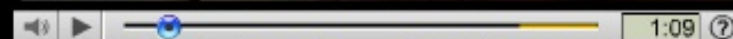
Sakai Video Report: Robert Cailliau
Produced: September 30, 2006

Robert Cailliau is the co-Inventor of the World-Wide-Web. Robert works at the CERN High Energy Physics laboratory. Robert talks about the early days of the web and Gopher, the design of HTML, and talks about how the web changed when many new kinds of browsers such as Mosaic were introduced for the PC and Mac. He also talks about how the first web browser and server were developed. This interview was taped July 1999. Details: Flash Video 9 minutes.

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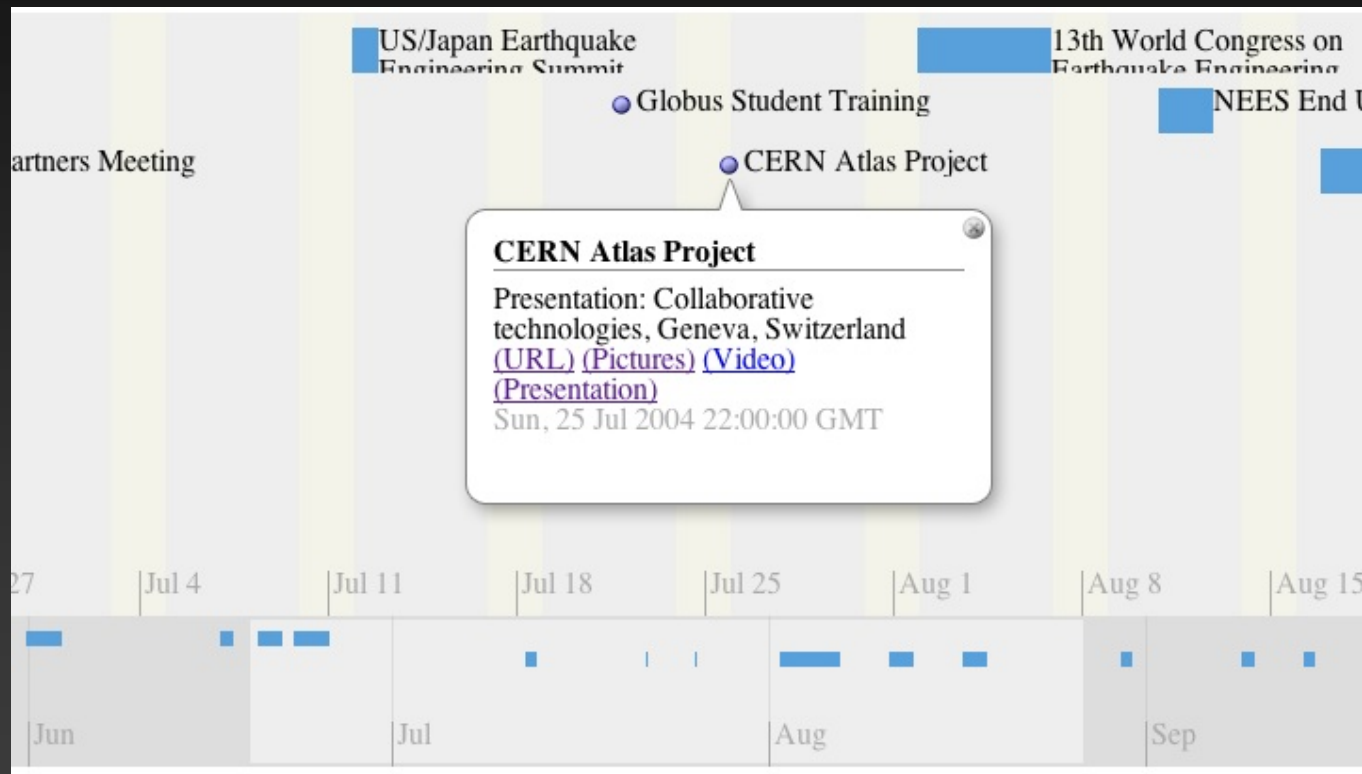
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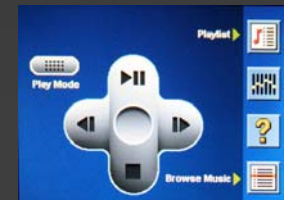
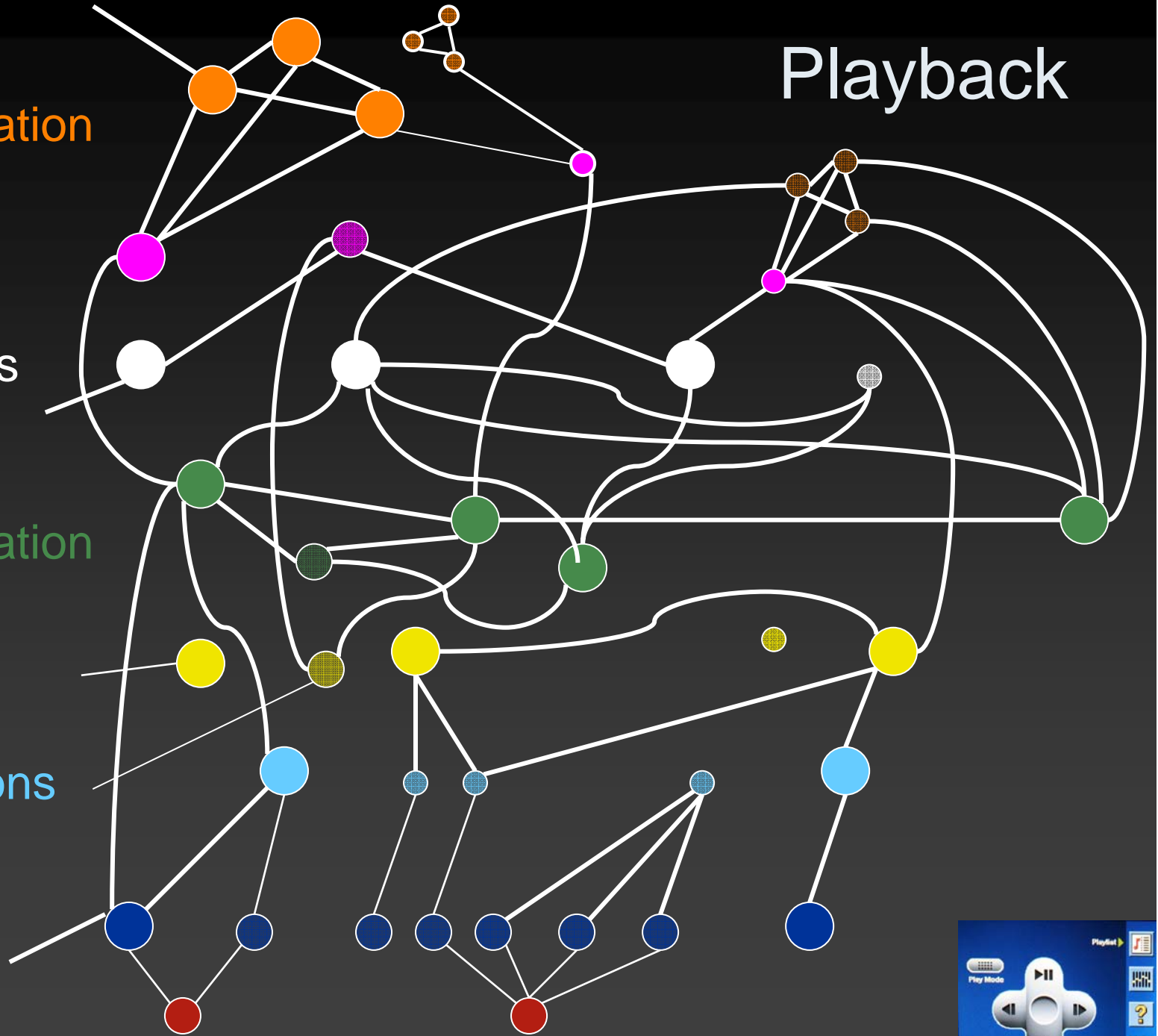
Information

Computations

Raw Data

Sensors

Playback



Many Useful Views

- Time
- Geographical
- Concept
- People
- Groups
- Search
- Tags
- Physical Structures - BIRN Brain Morphology

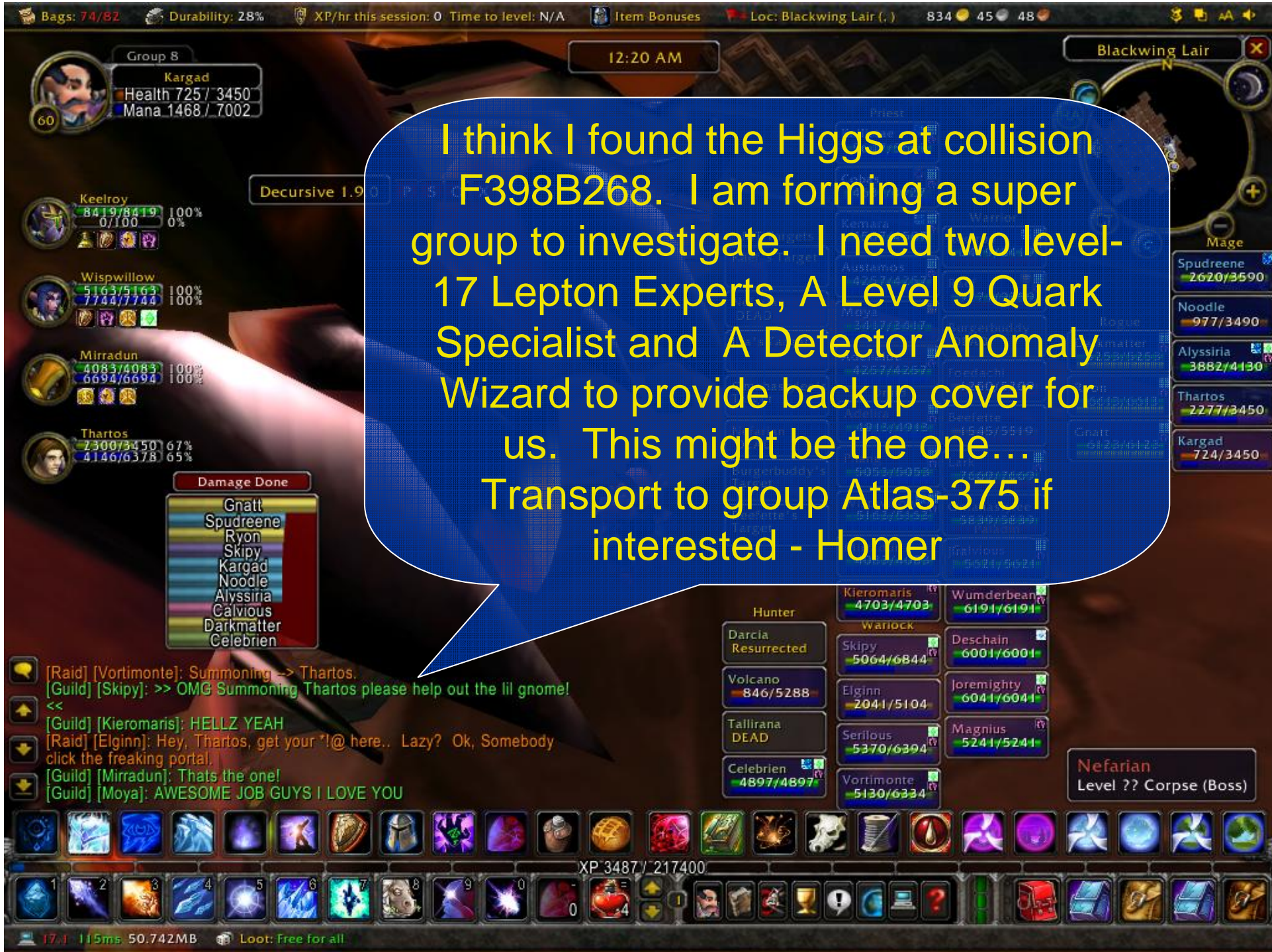
How to work with this much data?

- We need something like what we saw in the Movie “Minority Report”
 - Large Screen
 - Gesture Interface



How to work with this much data?





I think I found the Higgs at collision F398B268. I am forming a super group to investigate. I need two level-17 Lepton Experts, A Level 9 Quark Specialist and A Detector Anomaly Wizard to provide backup cover for us. This might be the one... Transport to group Atlas-375 if interested - Homer

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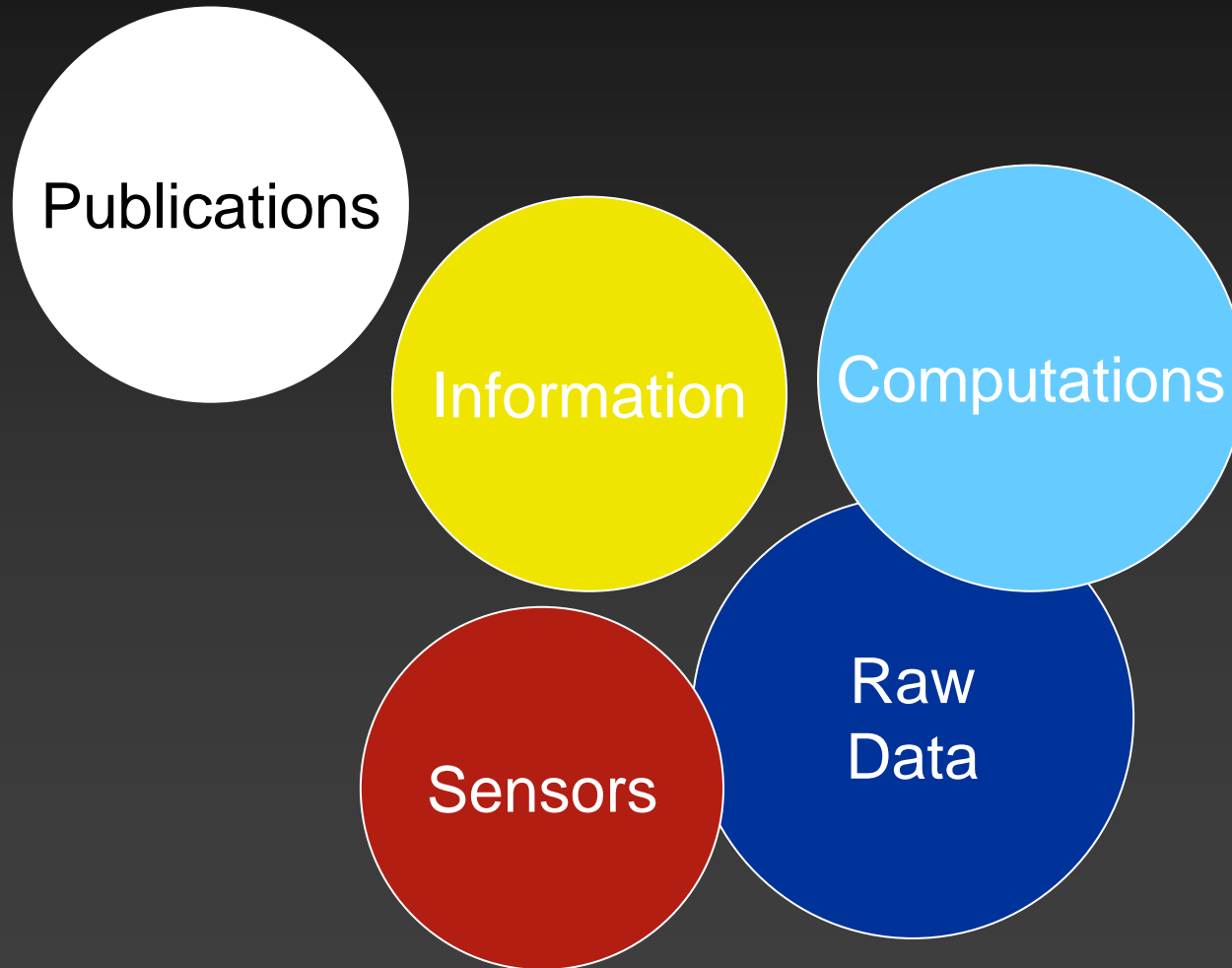
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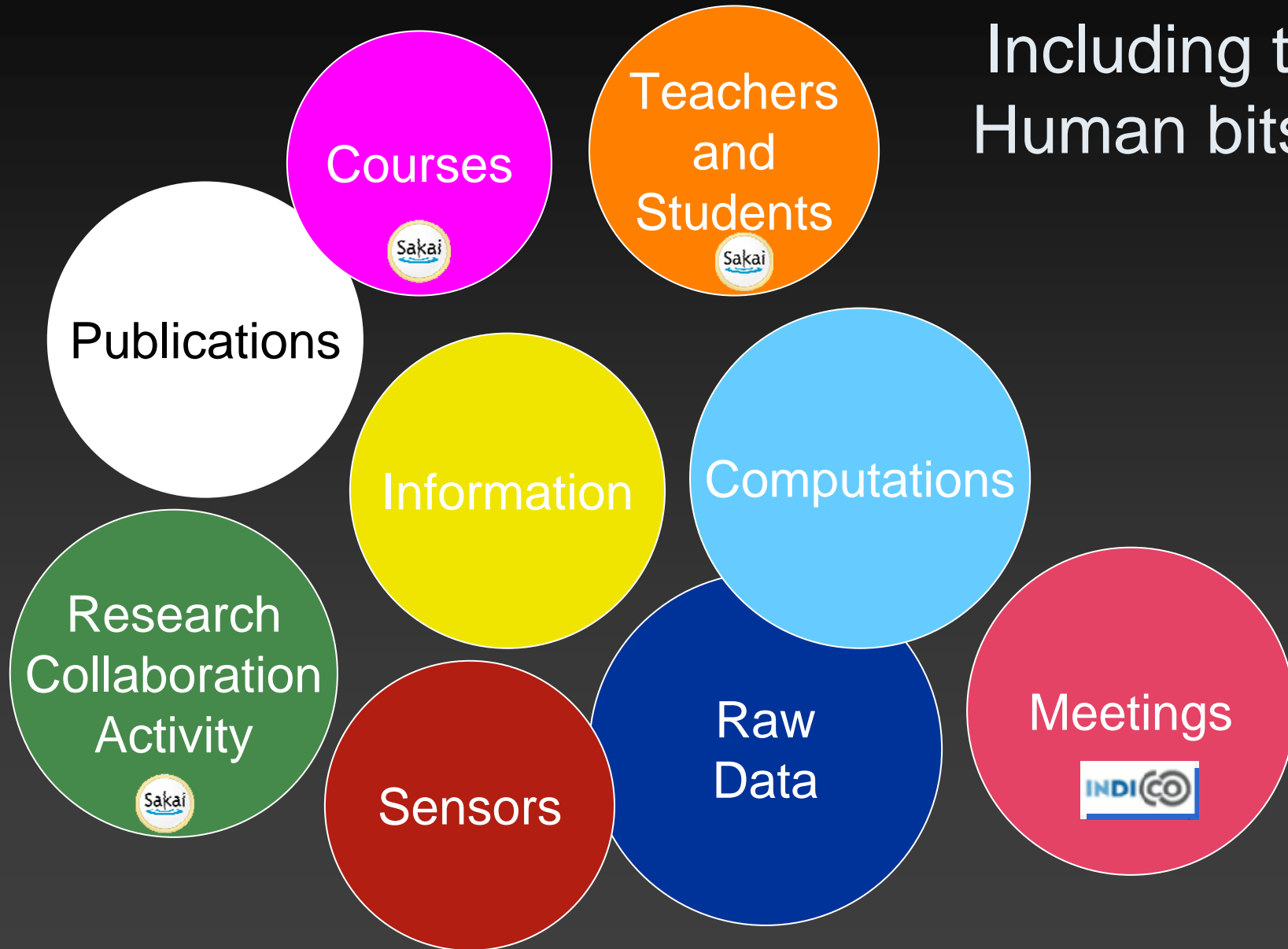
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MATRIX

Retaining and Connecting Everything



Including the Human bits...



Conclusion

- Many years ago, eScience had science as its main focus
- Custom approaches resulted in too many unique solutions
- Computer scientists began a search for the “magic bullet” - each group found a different magic bullet
- Each group now competes for mind share (and funding) to be the “one true” magic bullet

Conclusion (cont)

- One way to solve the “many competing technologies” solution is to form “super groups” which unify the technologies
- No single technology gets to claim “they are the one” (Middleware is not “in the middle”)
- Each technology needs to become a drop-in service/component which is available for use only when appropriate
- Once we can get past looking at the technologies as the main focus, we get back to science as the main focus

Lets remember why we started this whole field in the first place...

- Scientific Domain
- Groups of People
- Common User Interface
- Data Sharing
 - In the moment
 - Long-term
- Experimental Equipment
- Compute
- Visualization

Questions

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