



Research at LARC-USP
E-Science, Cloud & Big Data Projects

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São Paulo



~ 12 Million inhabitants

University of São Paulo

- Created in 1934
- **11** campi (4 – city of São Paulo).
 - **89** University Divisions.
- **92.064** students (undergrad, grad and extension).
 - **5.860** professors.
 - **16.837** administrative staff.
- **249** undergraduation programs.
 - **239** graduation Programs
- Consistently the best-positioned Latin America institution on worldwide rankings (eg. 51-60 on The Times Higher Education World Reputation Ranking 2015)



Public University, founded in 1934





LARC-USP

- Computer Networks and Architecture Lab
 - **Created in 1993.**
 - **8 professors**
 - **50** collaborators, distributed among Doctorate, Master and Undergrad **students and full-time researchers**
- Main fields of interest
 - Security
 - **High-Definition Networked Media & Visualization**
 - Wireless and Sensor Networks
 - **Advanced Internet & Applications**
 - **SDN (Software Defined Network)**
 - High-Performance Hardware For Networking
 - **Cloud Computing**

Main Partnerships

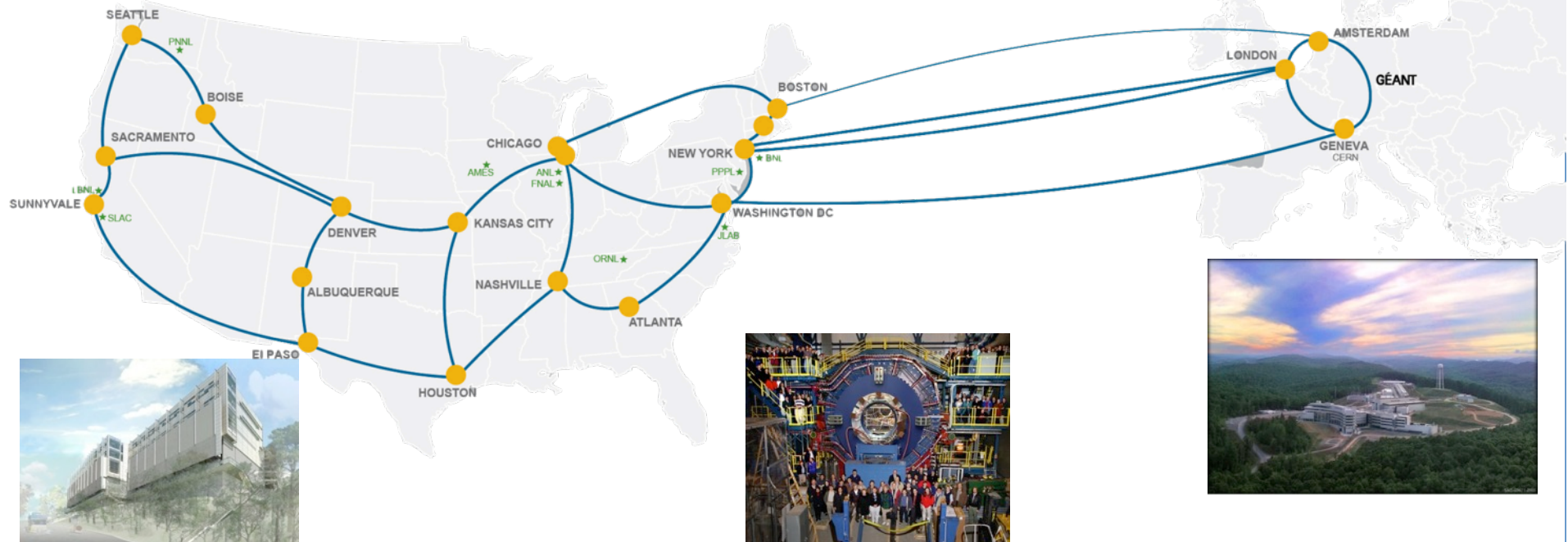
- **RNP** (National Network for Research and Education)
- **ANSP** (Academic Network of the State of São Paulo)
- **FIU / AMPath**
- **Ericsson Research** Sweden, Canada, Finland, Brazil
- **IBM Research** – T.J. Watson
- **Financial Institutions:** Bradesco & Itaú Banks, Scopus Tecnologia
- **Petrobras** (Brazilian Oil Company)
- **Incor** (Heart Institute)

E-Science, Cloud & Big Data Projects

- Characteristics
 - **Usually Collaborative Projects** involving multiple Partners
 - **Usually infrastructure + Use Cases / Demos**
- 4 Main Areas
 - New Network Architectures
 - High-Definition Networked Media & Visualization
 - Cloud Computing
 - Big Data



Network as Infrastructure Research Instrument



ESNet Vision: Scientific Progress should not be limited by physical location of instruments, people, computational resources and/or data

- No longer possible to dissociate network from scientific research process

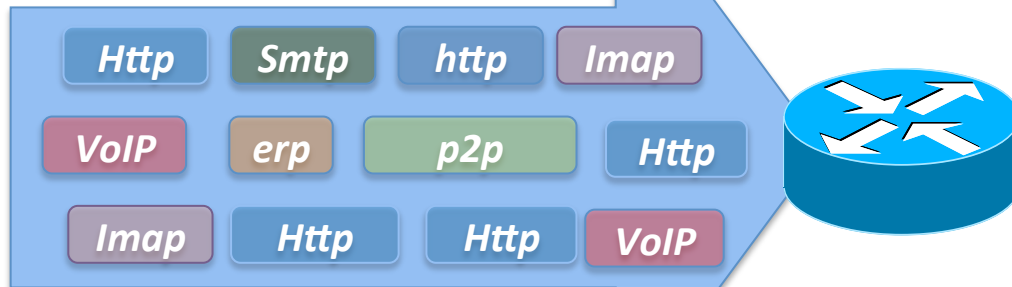
But ...

Institutions	Application	Data set	Notes
UFRJ	Images and videos Neurology	200GB/day	They can not perform the research because they have connection and bandwidth problems.
UFPE	DB Vegetal Genetics	18TB/experiment	Wget – 3 to 4 weeks scp - 4 to 6 weeks
INPE	Meteorological Data	240 MB/day	24 hours to transfer
USP	LHC Alice Experiment	-	They use practically only local simulated data, as the connectivity is deemed insufficient for real-time data transfer

Why ?

Traditional Flows x Scientific Flows

Traditional Flows



Multiple applications,
short-lived traffic,
different endpoints

'Single' application, longer-
lived traffic, constant
endpoints



Scientific Flows

Why ?

Improper Data Transfer Tools

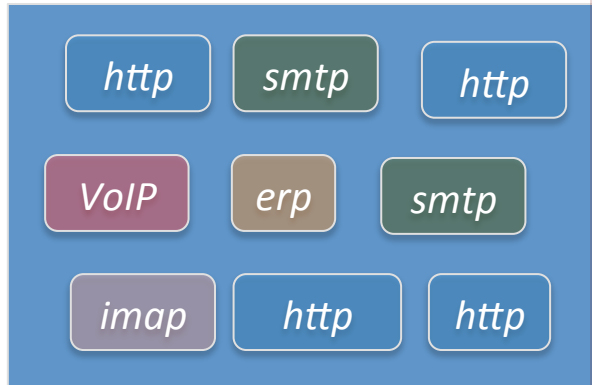
Source - <https://fasterdata.es.net/data-transfer-tools/>

Data Transfer Tools	Disk Architecture	Throughput
Scp	1	140 Mbps (17.5 MB/s)
HPN-scp	1	760 Mbps (95 MB/s)
HPN-scp	RAID-0	1.2 Gbps (150 MB/s)
GridFTP com 1 fluxo	1	760 Mbps (95 MB/s)
GridFTP com 1 fluxo	RAID-0	1.4 Gbps (175 MB/s)
GridFTP com 4 fluxos	RAID-0	5.4 Gbps (675 MB/s)
GridFTP com 8 fluxos	RAID-0	6.6 Gbps (825 MB/s)

Disk-to-disk transfer from Berkeley, CA to Argonne, IL. RTT = **53 ms**, bandwidth > **10Gbps**, 4-disk **RAID 0**. In order to go over 1 Gbps (125 MB/s) RAID was needed.

Traditional Flows x Scientific Flows: Firewalls

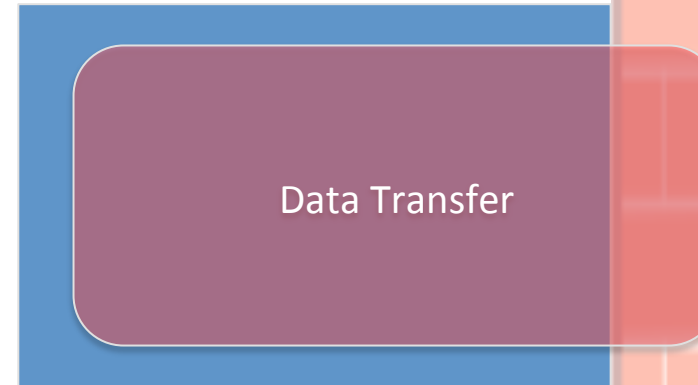
Traditional Flows



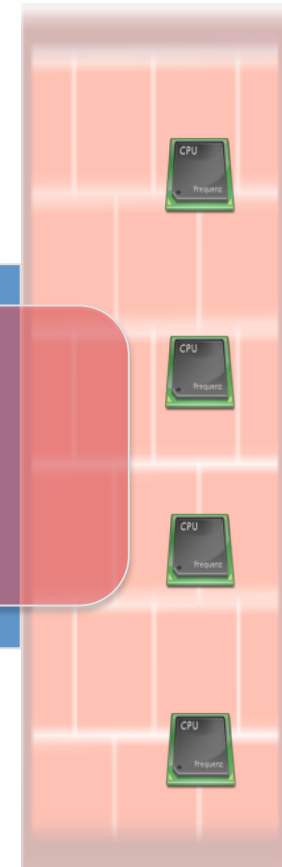
Processors, buffers, etc. designed for multiple, short duration packets.



Scientific Flows



Normally, security equipments do not support large flows



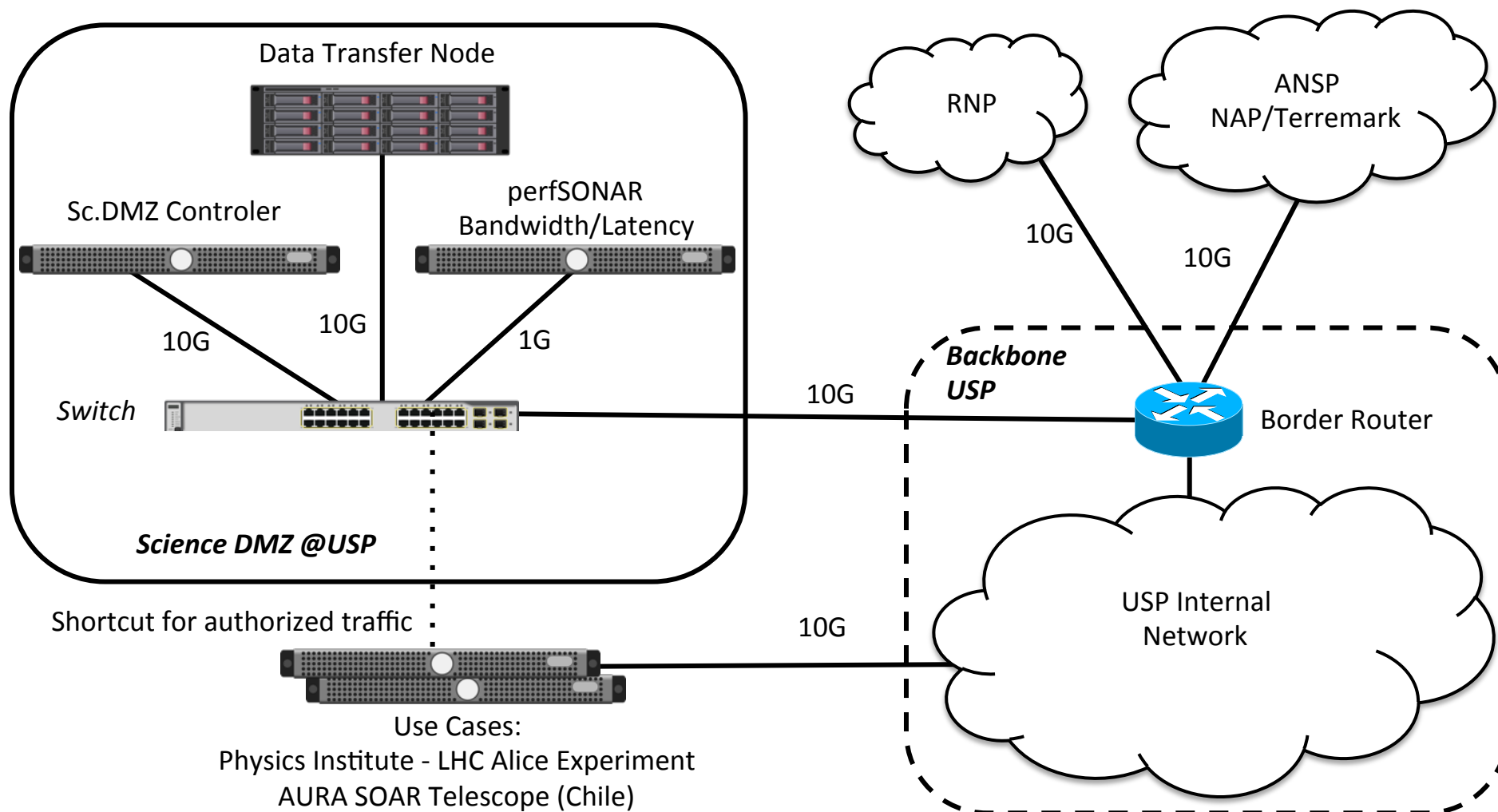
Science DMZ

What is a Science DMZ ?

- **Specialized Network Architecture** for **high-performance scientific computation**, with **differentiated policies and configuration** in comparison to production network.
- Optimized machines for content **transfer and monitoring**.
- **Privileged Connectivity**
- Concept created by DoE ESNet



Science DMZ @USP - 2015



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Software-Defined Science DMZ

- Sponsorship: RNP (Brazilian NREN)
- Main goals:
 - Develop and Deploy a **Science DMZ Prototype with SDN/Openflow capability** at Brazilian universities.
 - Architecture **Evaluation** under **Use Case Scenarios**
 - **Metereology**
 - **Astronomy**
 - **Genetics**
 - **High-Energy Physics**



(SD)² Activities - 2015

- **'Research Network-as-a-Service'**
 - Deploy a **Web Portal** for:
 - **Schedule / initiate** data transfer, using **different** data transfer tools
 - **Setup monitoring** rules for data transfer troubleshooting
 - Specify **specific network requirements** (eg. Layer 2 circuits)
 - Handle **security** (authentication, open/close TCP/UDP ports, etc.)
 - **Web Services** for mutual Science DMZ negotiations
 - Available Data Transfer Tools
 - Authorized/Unauthorized traffic

Other Networking Projects

- **USP – OSU (Ohio State University) – 2014**
 - Evaluating **long-distance collaboration** using **Science DMZ**
- **FIBRE** - Future Internet testbed for Brazilian Experimentation
 - **Testbed for Future Internet & Software-Defined Networking**, similar to **GENI** Project in US
 - **10 islands** interconnected by means of RNP (Brazilian NRE)
 - **Extensions** for adding **Cloud Computing** and **IoT** (internet of Things) **under evaluation**
 - **Integration** with US & European projects (**ProtoGENI & Fed4FIRE**)

Visualization Portal – SAGE2

Environment for high-definition Collaborative Visualization

- Based on Univ. Illinois / Hawaii **SAGE2** middleware
- **Multiple simultaneous high-def content** streamed through the network
- **Interaction** with **users devices** and **portals** from **other institutions**
- **HTML/JS-based** application development



3x1 Portal - WRNP 2015

RNP SAGE2 Project

- Goals
 - **Collaborative work** among Brazilian Research Entities with **Tiled Displays**
 - **Disseminate** this technology to Brazilian R&D community
 - **Evaluate/Adapt its** use for Scientific Applications (Use Case Analysis)



RNP SAGE2 Project

- Coordination:
 - **Profa. Tereza Cristina Melo de Brito Carvalho**
 - **Fernando Frota Redigolo**
- Sponsorship: **RNP (Brazilian NREN)**
- Use Case Scenarios
 - Telemedicine
 - Cinema / Video
 - **Meteorology**
 - **Geoprocessing**
 - Simulation



16 Mpixels 4x2 Portal – LASSU-USP

Video Streaming

- Projects involving **special audio/video transmissions**
 - Uncompressed Full HD Video
 - Compressed 4K Video
- Demos usually involving international Partners & Arts groups
- Pushing the boundaries on the networking

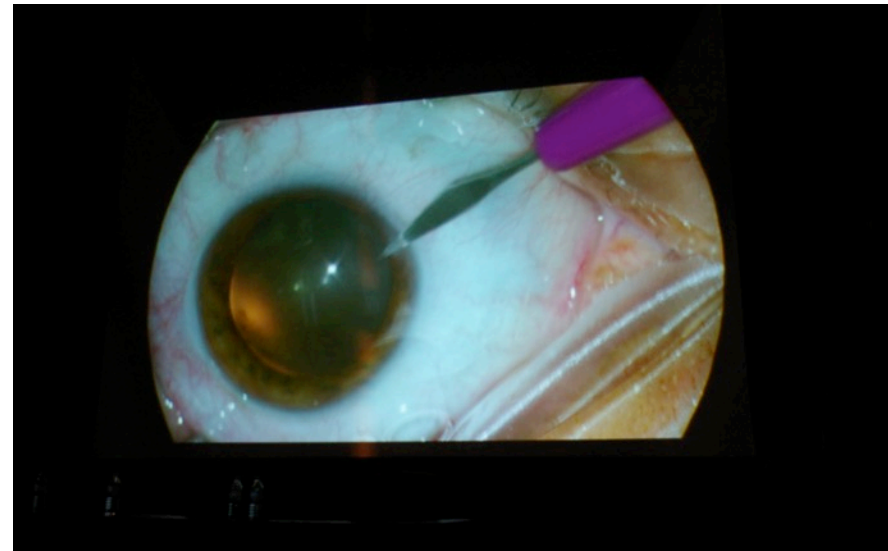
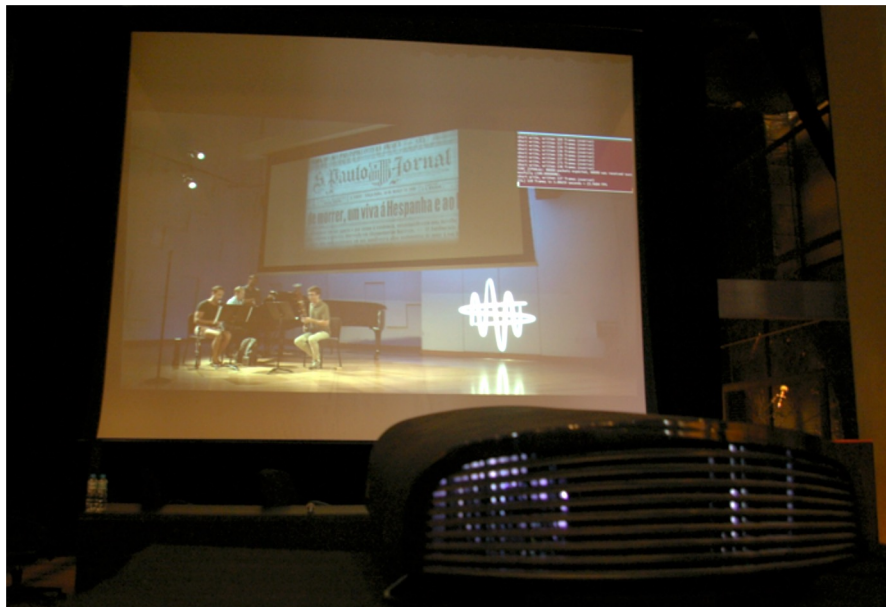
Previous Projects

- **4K Film transmission** – Brazil – US – Japan (2009) + Q&A session w/ **compressed and uncompressed videoconferencing**
- **Remote Master Class of Piano** – Brazil – Spain (2009) w/ **compressed video** and **uncompressed audio**



Cinegrid Brasil 2014

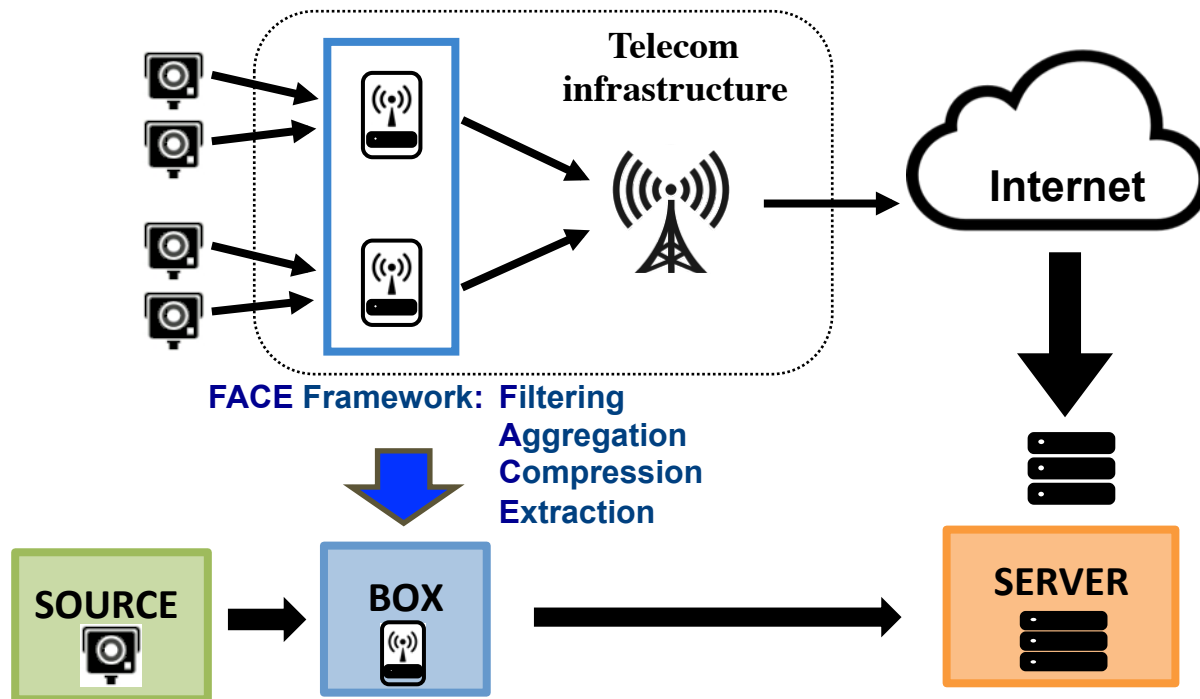
- **Cinegrid**
 - Community involving Digital Cinema, Arts and Scientific Visualization over networks
- **Cinegrid Brasil – Aug/2014**
 - 2nd Regional Meeting in Brazil



Cloud Computing

- **Projects involving Cloud Computing Infrastructure**
 - Credential Management
 - Secure Virtual Networking
 - Security SLA
 - Security Visualization

Advanced Cloud Computing Services for Telecom



General
Coordination &
Members



Goals:

- Distributed Cloud Computing Framework for Telco Service offering
- FACE Framework Prototype – Speed Radar / Video Surveillance with Motion Detection

Network Traffic Modelling

- Model a Company-owned satellite network
 - Model based on real captured traffic - Identify applications & traffic patterns
 - Analyze 'What-if' Scenarios
 - 1-2 TB data (packet headers only) for a 1-week capture

