

System and Network Engineering Research for Big Data Sciences

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From King's Dutch Academy of Sciences The Dutch Research Agenda

“Information technology (IT) now permeates all aspects of public, commercial, social, and personal life. bank cards, satnav, and weather radar... IT has become completely indispensable.”

“But to guarantee the reliability and quality of constantly bigger and more complicated IT, we will need to find answers to some fundamental questions!”



Reduction of Complexity by Integration

By combining services such as telephony, television, data, and computing capacity within a single network, we can cut down on complexity, energy consumption and maintenance.

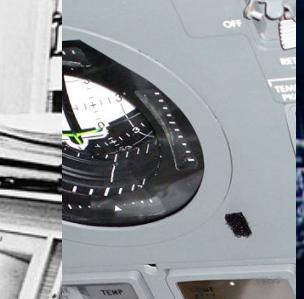
- How can we describe and analyze complex information systems effectively?
- How can we specify and measure the quality and reliability of a system?
- How can we combine various different systems?
- How can we design systems in which separate processors can co-operate efficiently via mutual network connections within a much larger whole?
- Can we design information systems that can diagnose their own malfunctions and perhaps even repair them?
- How can we specify, predict, and measure system performance as effectively as possible?

SNE addresses a.o. the **highlighted** questions!

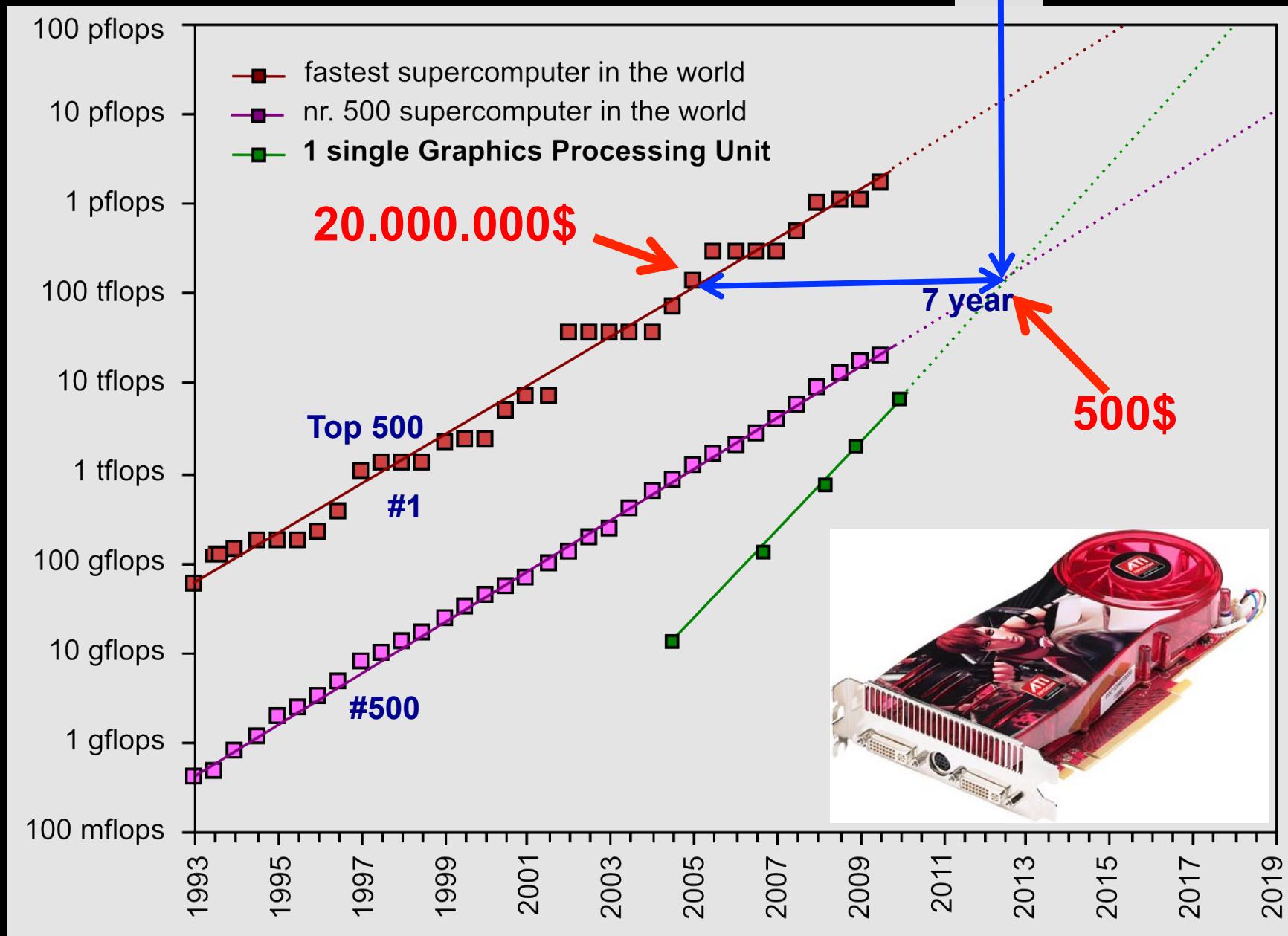




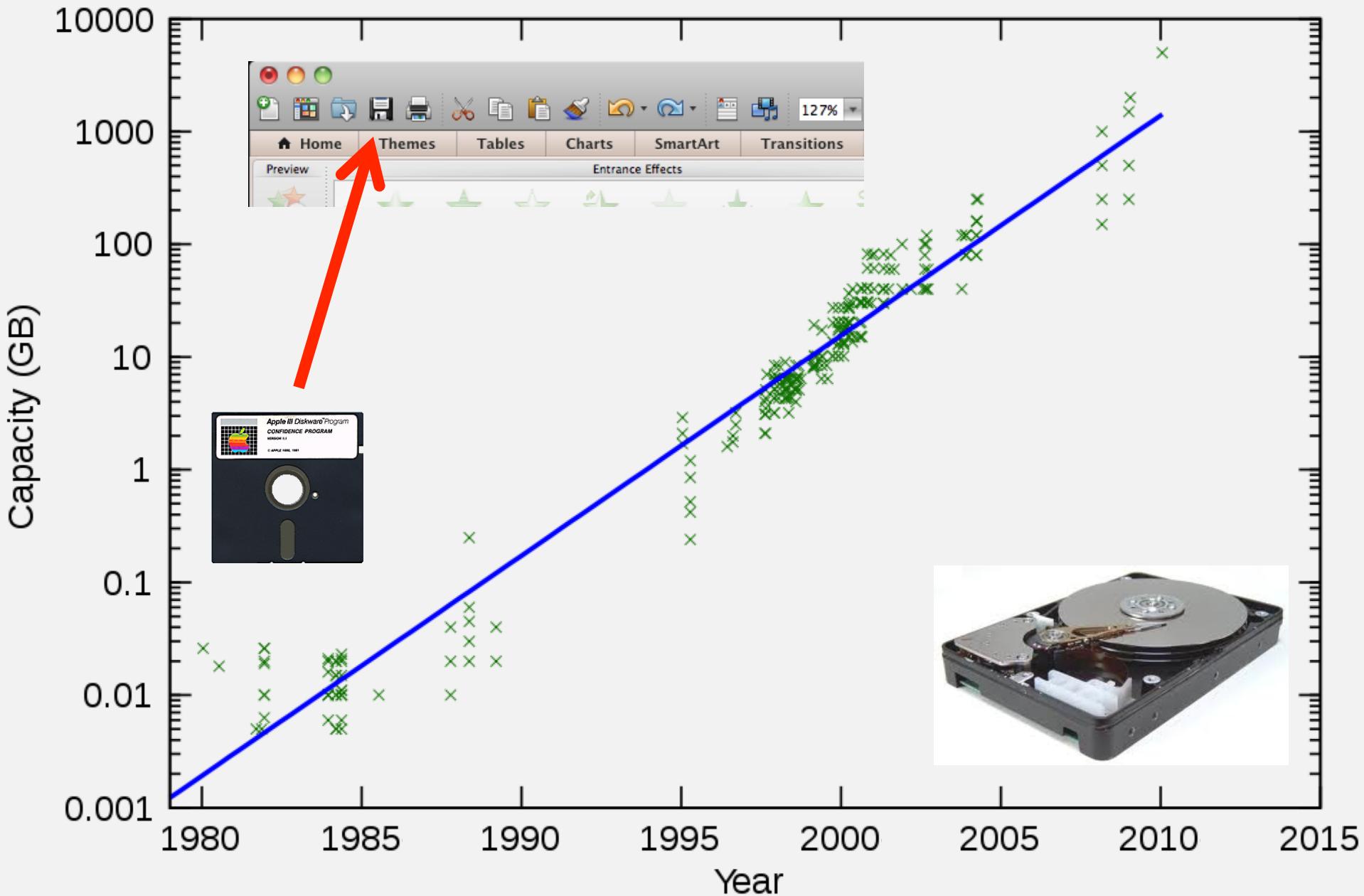




GPU cards are disruptive!



Data storage: doubling every 1.5 year!

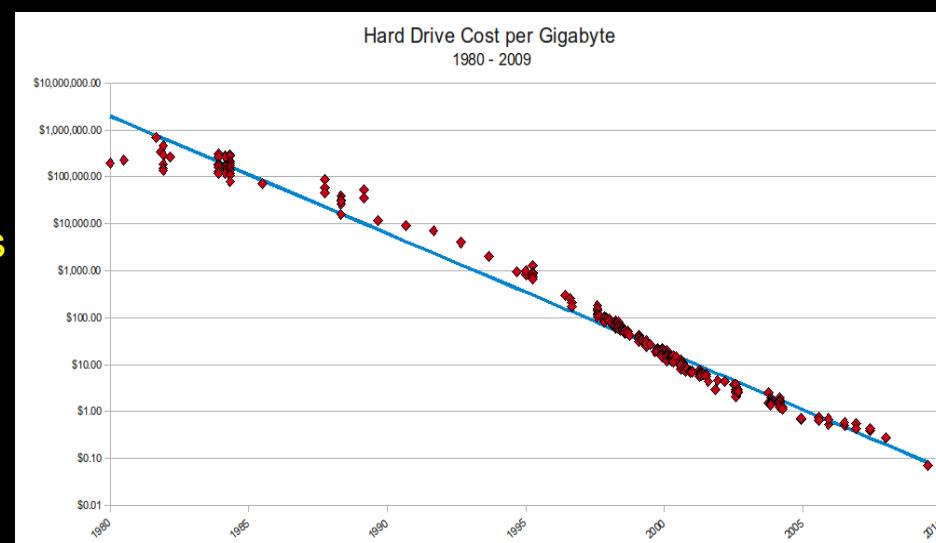
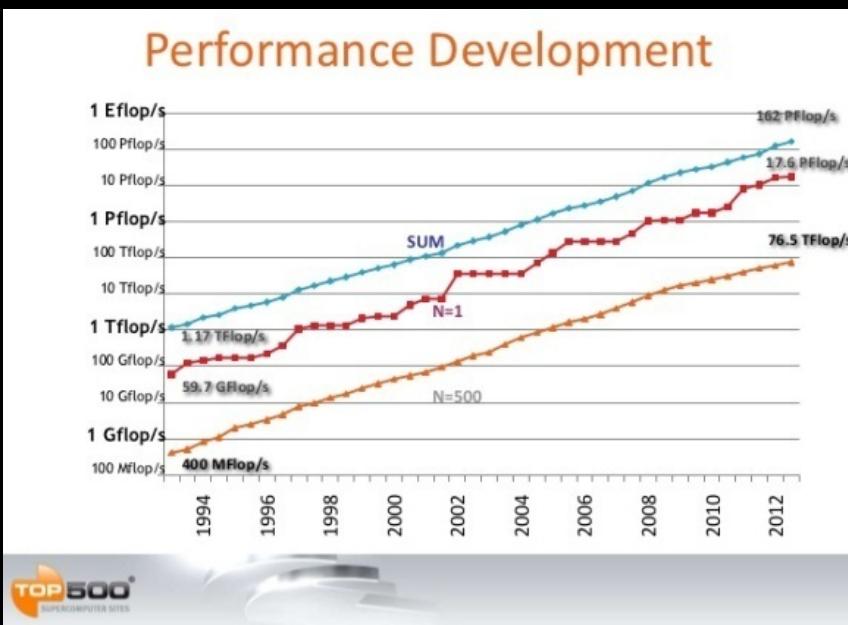


Reliable and Safe!

This omnipresence of IT makes us not only strong but also vulnerable.

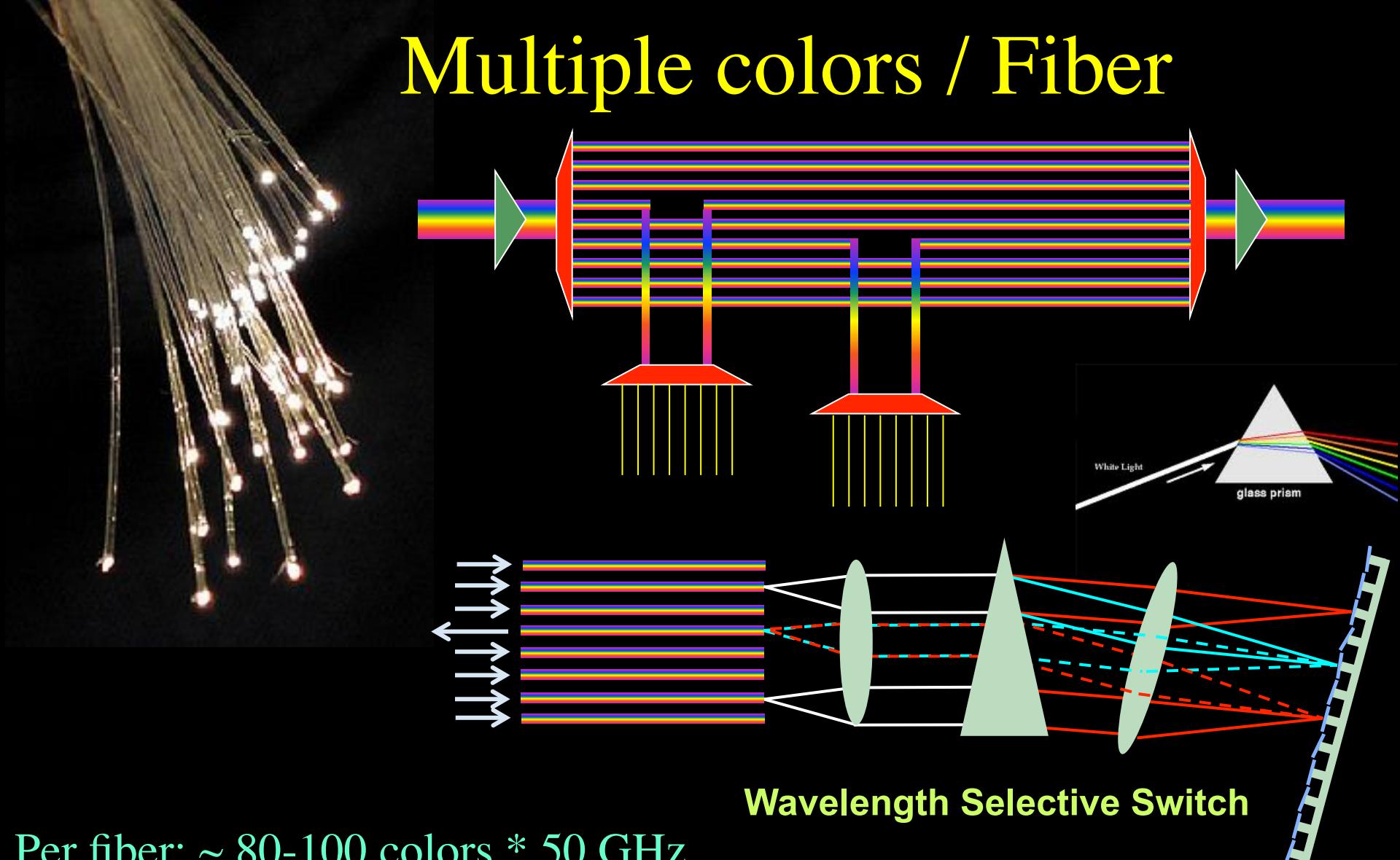
- A virus, a hacker, or a system failure can instantly send digital shockwaves around the world.

The hardware and software that allow all our systems to operate is becoming bigger and more complex all the time, and the capacity of networks and data storage is increasing by leaps and bounds.



We will soon reach the limits of what is currently feasible and controllable.

Multiple colors / Fiber



Per fiber: ~ 80-100 colors * 50 GHz

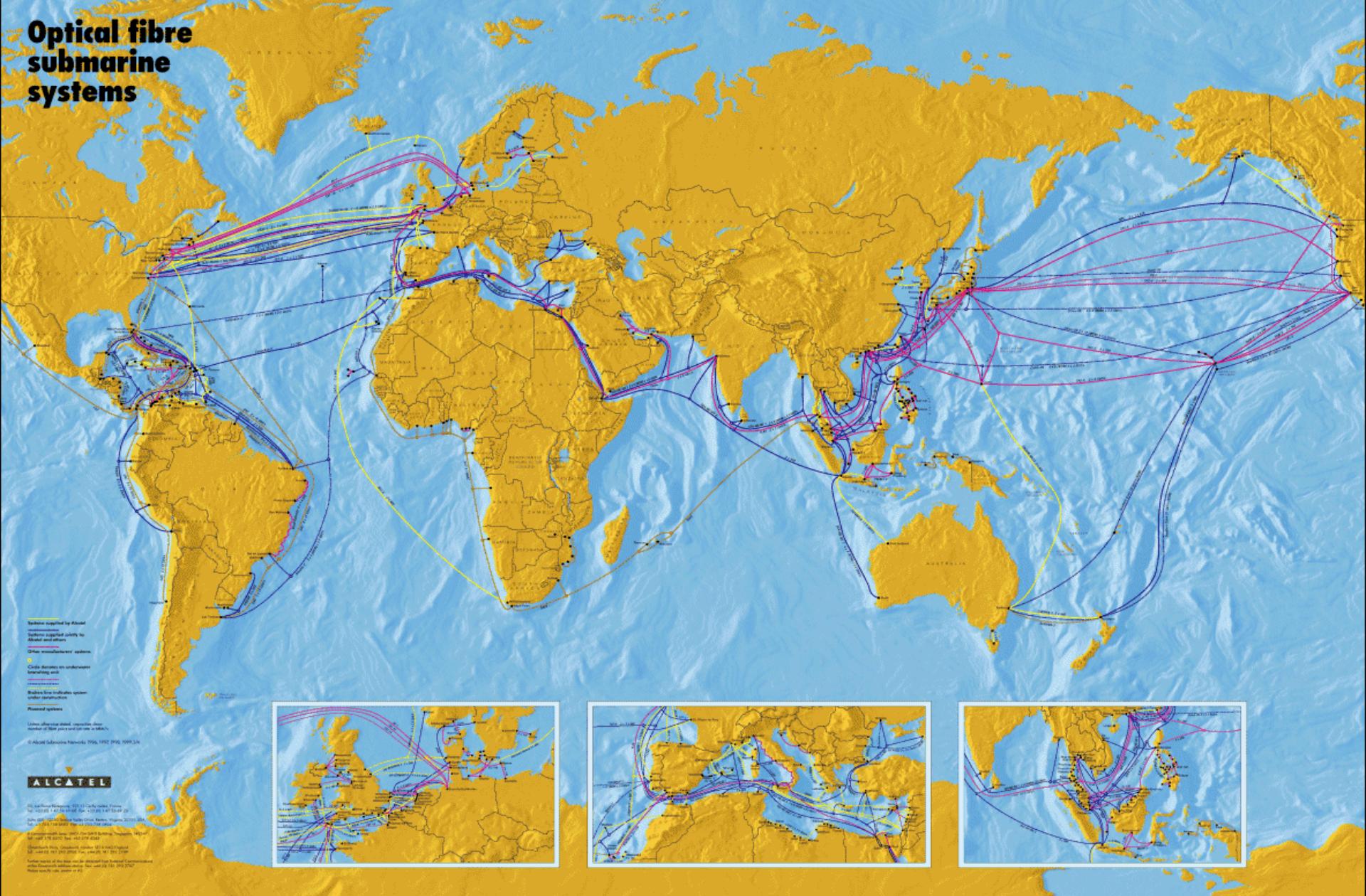
Per color: 10 – 40 – 100 – 200 ... Gbit/s

BW * Distance $\sim 2 \cdot 10^{17}$ bm/s

Wavelength Selective Switch

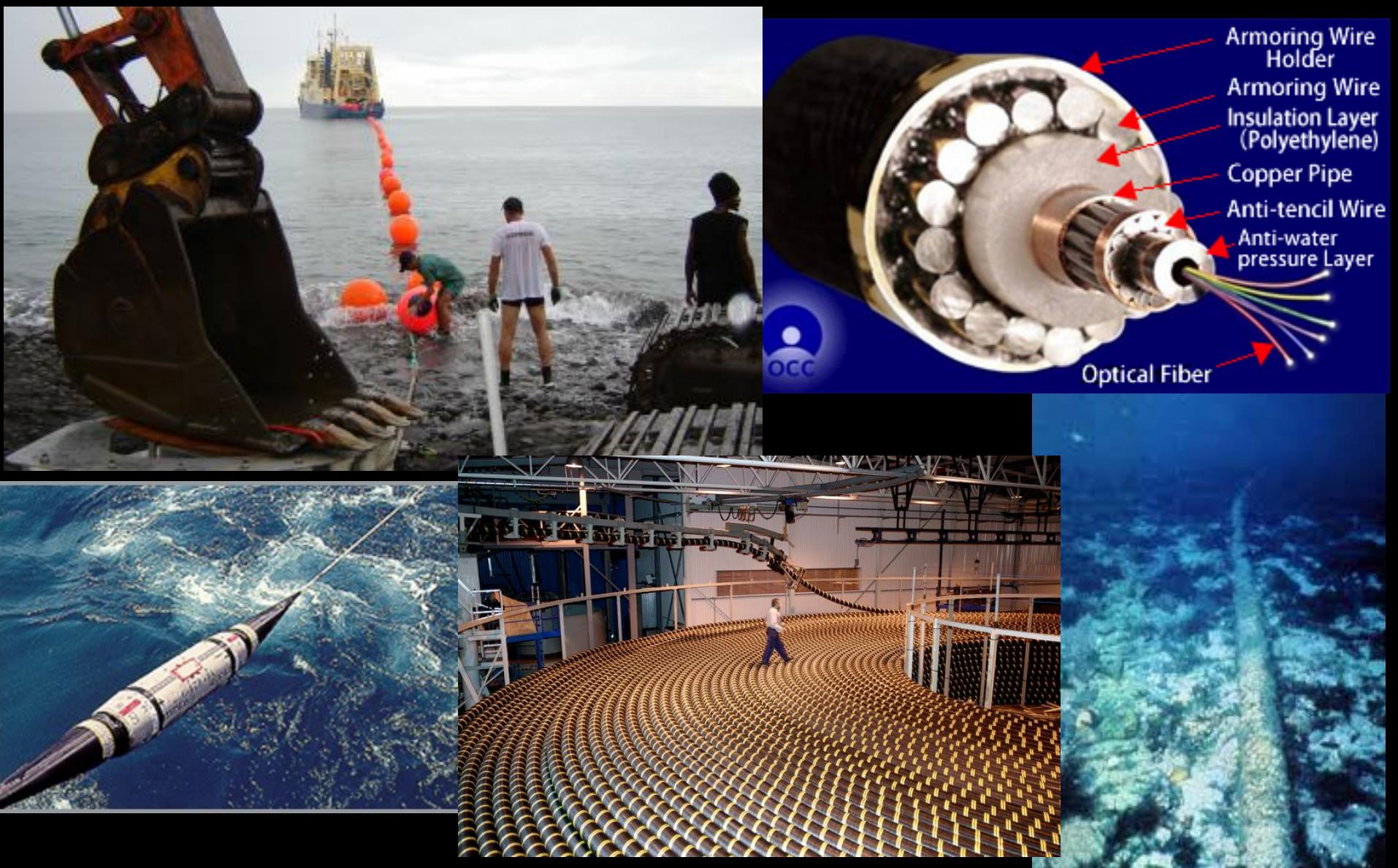
New: Hollow Fiber!
→ less RTT!

Optical fibre submarine systems



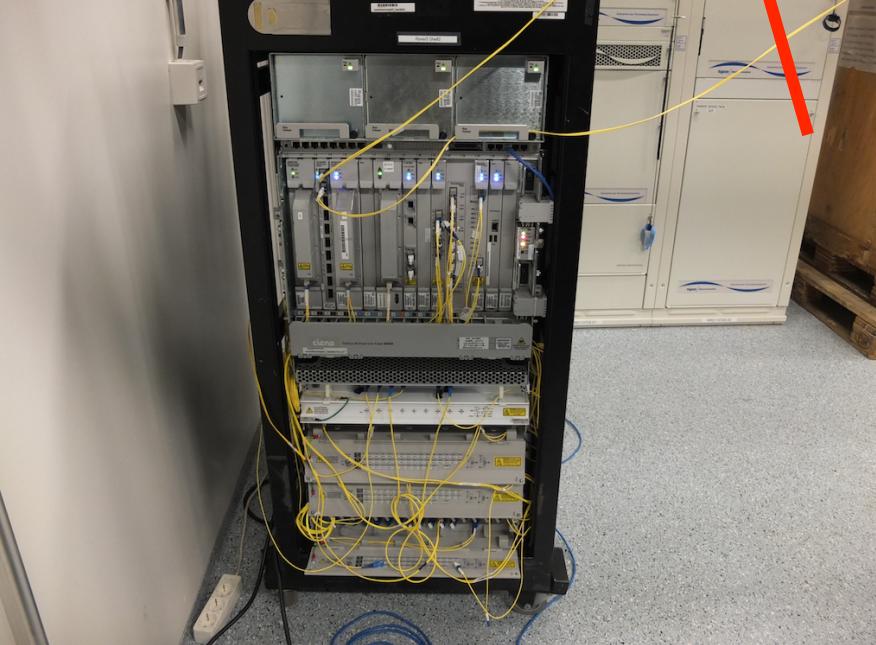
Undersea Cable System





A **cable landing station** may or may not be required, depending on whether, for example, the submarine cable requires power to power submarine repeaters or amplifiers. The voltages applied to the cables can be high **3,000 to 4,000 volts** for a typical trans-Atlantic telecommunications cable system, and 1,000 volts for a cross-channel telecommunications cable system. Submarine power cables can operate at many kilovolts: for example, the [Fenno-Skan power cable operates at 400 kV DC](#).





Undersea Cable HV



Wireless Networks



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Next Generation Wireless LAN Technology

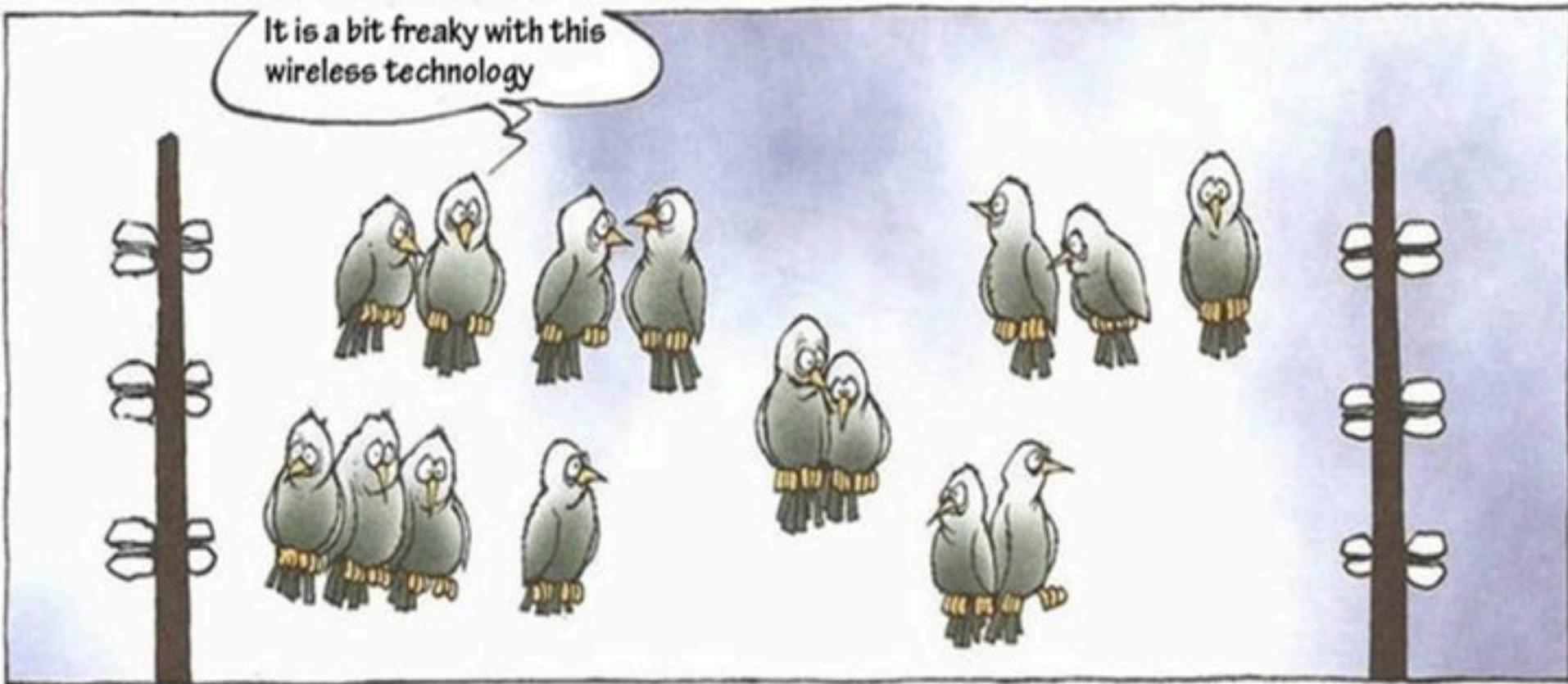
802.11ac 1 Gbps throughput with

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~~WiFi is one of the most preferred communication~~

protocol LAN due to the easy comparison and convenience in the **digital home**. While consumer PC products has just started to migrate to a much higher bandwidth of 802.11n wireless LAN now working on next-generation standard definition is already in progress.

Wireless Networks



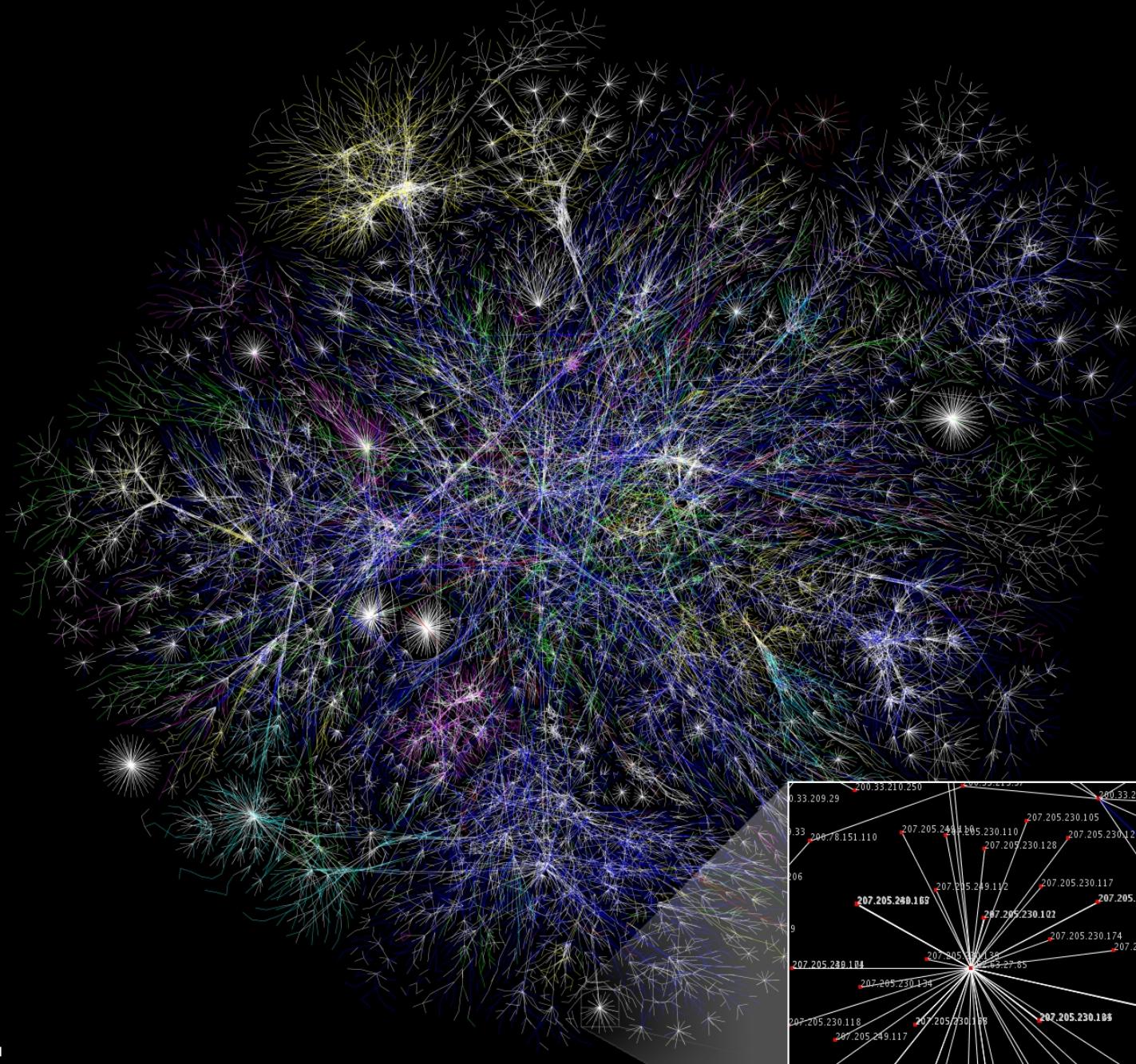
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Mission SNE

Can we create smart and safe data processing infrastructures that can be tailored to diverse application needs?

- *Capacity*
 - *Bandwidth on demand, QoS, architectures, photonics, performance, GPU's*
- *Capability*
 - *Programmability, virtualization, complexity, semantics, workflows*
- *Security*
 - *Authorization, Anonymity, integrity of data in distributed data processing*
- *Sustainability*
 - *Greening infrastructure, awareness*
- *Resilience*
 - *Systems under attack, failures, disasters*

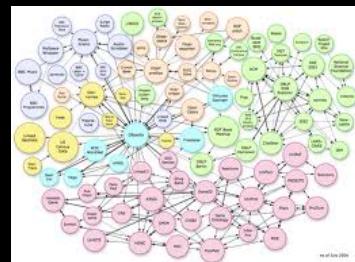
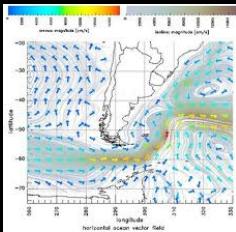


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Internet developments

... more data!



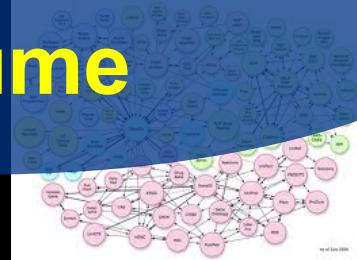
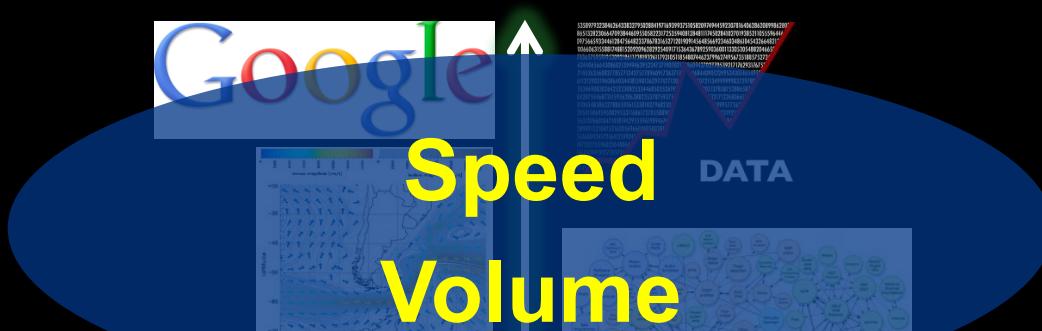
... more realtime!



... more users!

Internet developments

... more data!



Deterministic
Real-time



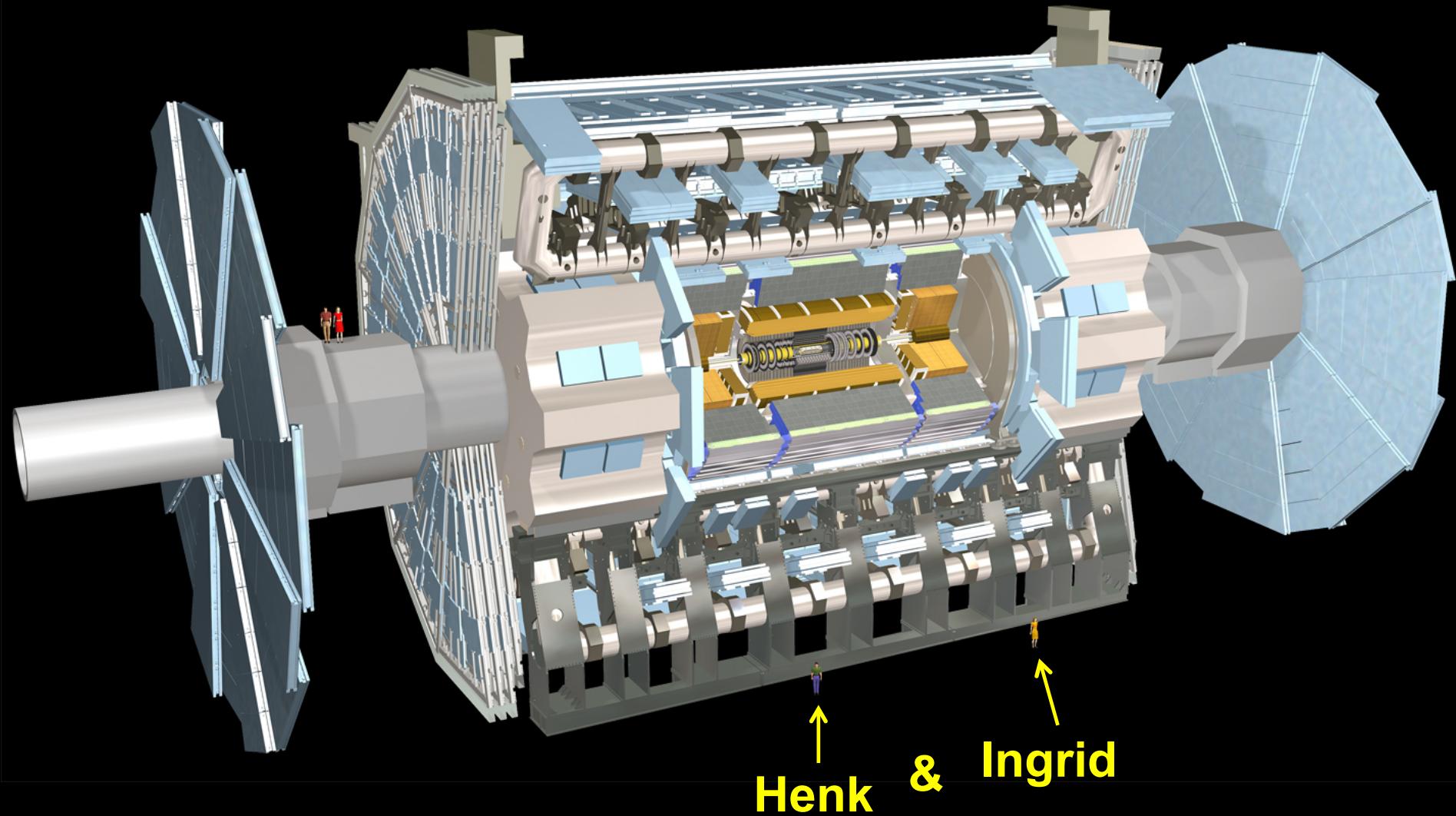
Scalable

Secure

... more users!



ATLAS detector @ CERN Geneve



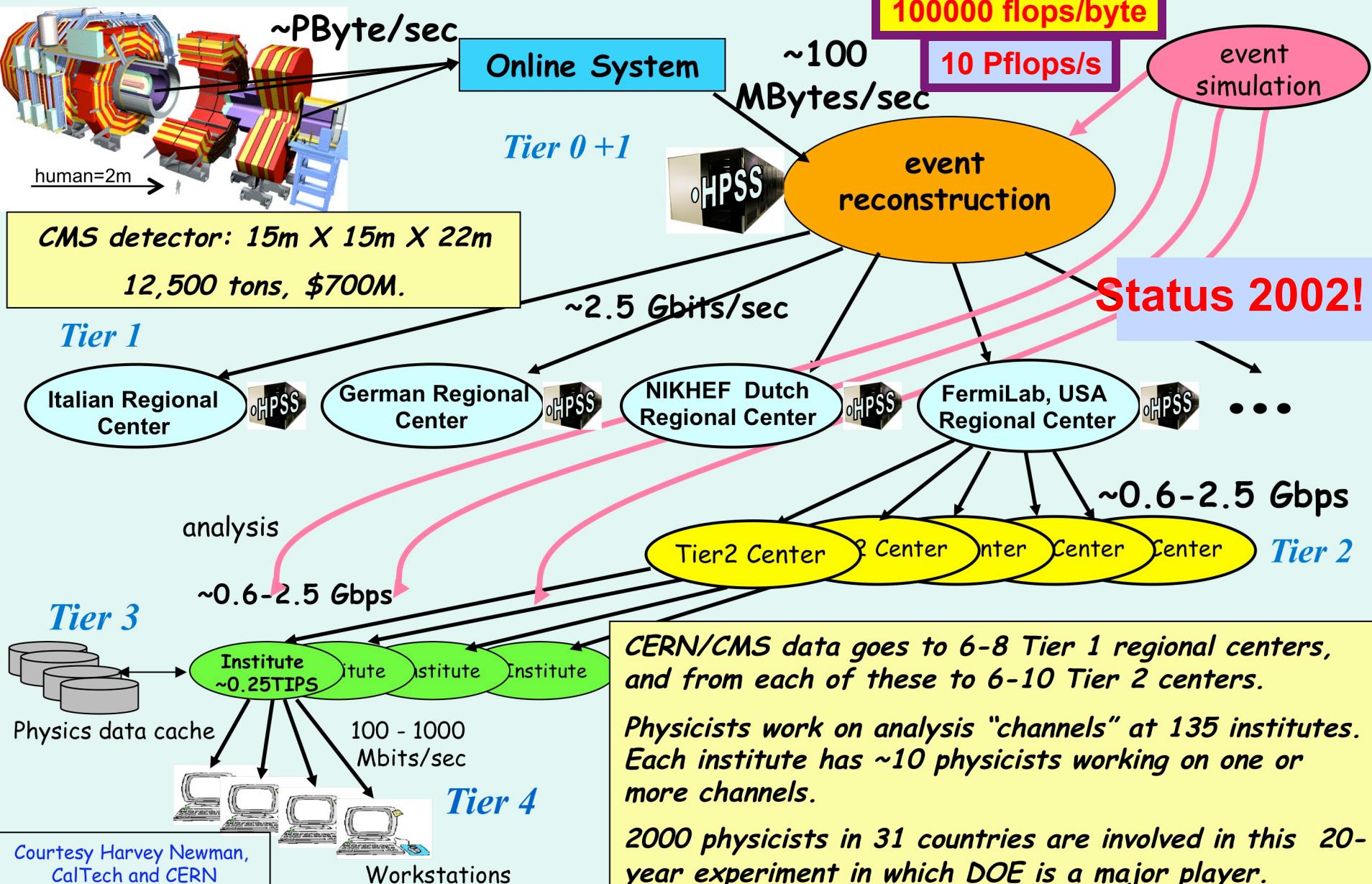
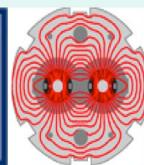
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LHC Data Grid Hierarchy

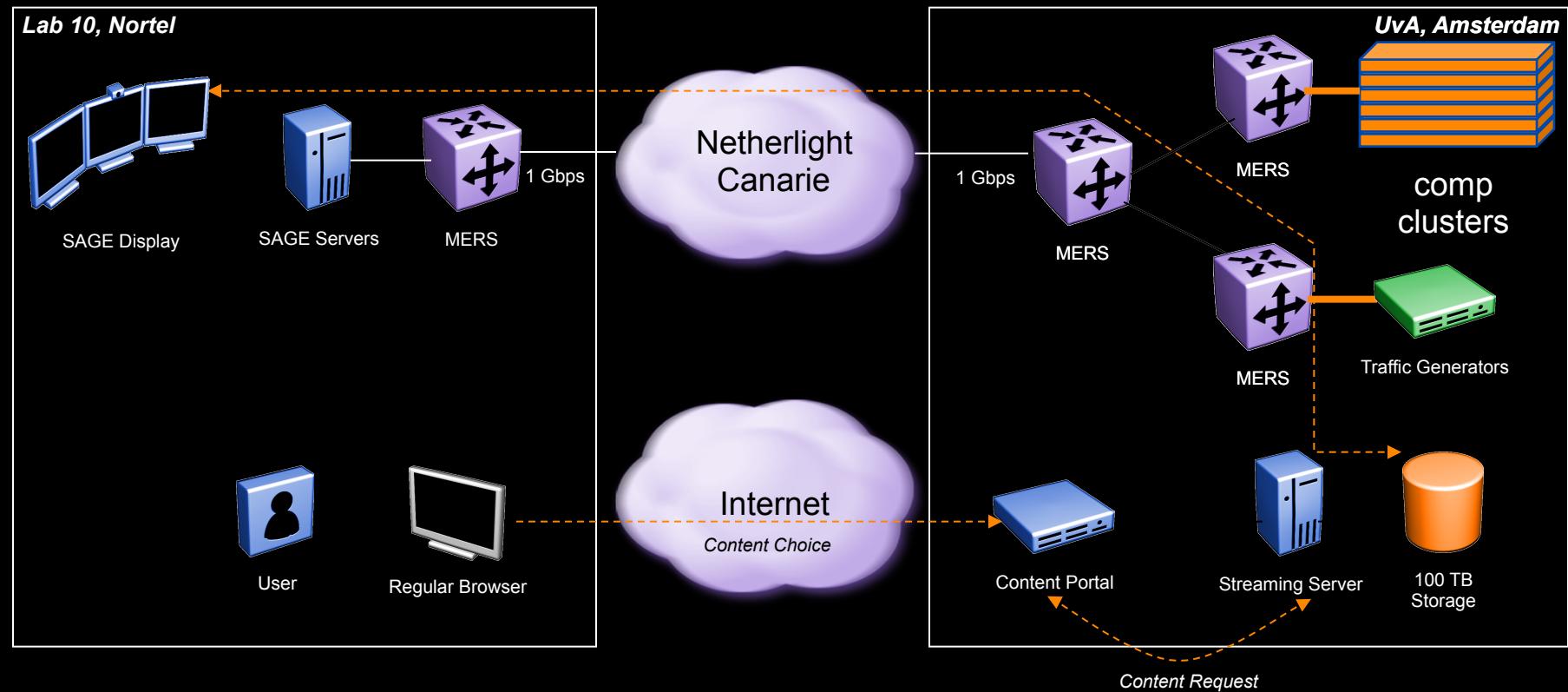
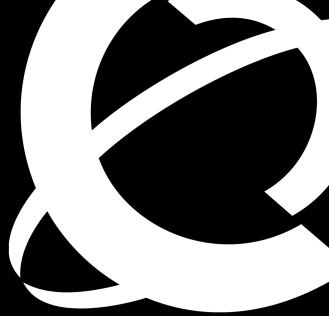
CMS as example, Atlas is similar



Big and small flows don't go well
together on the same wire! ☹



Diagram for SAGE video streaming to ATS

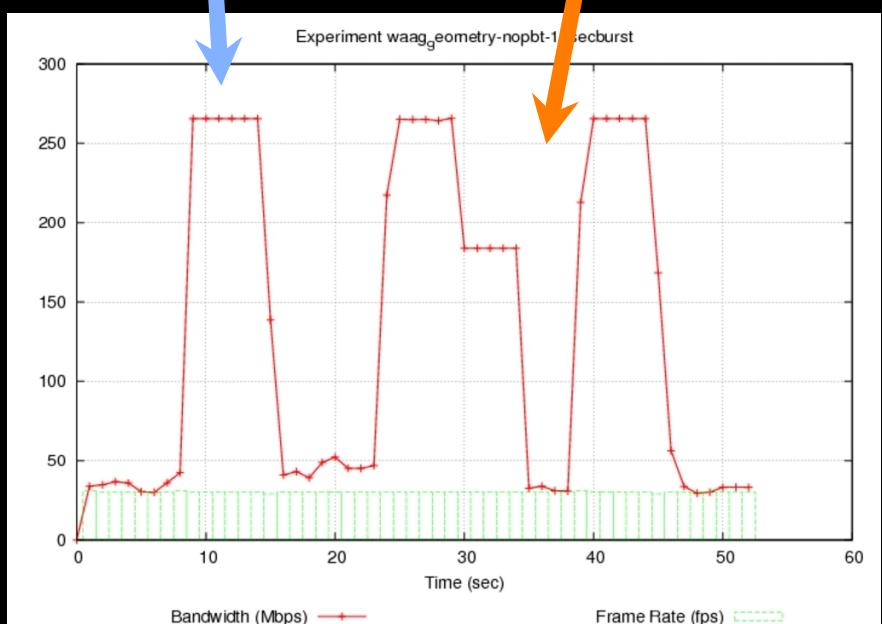


Experimental Data

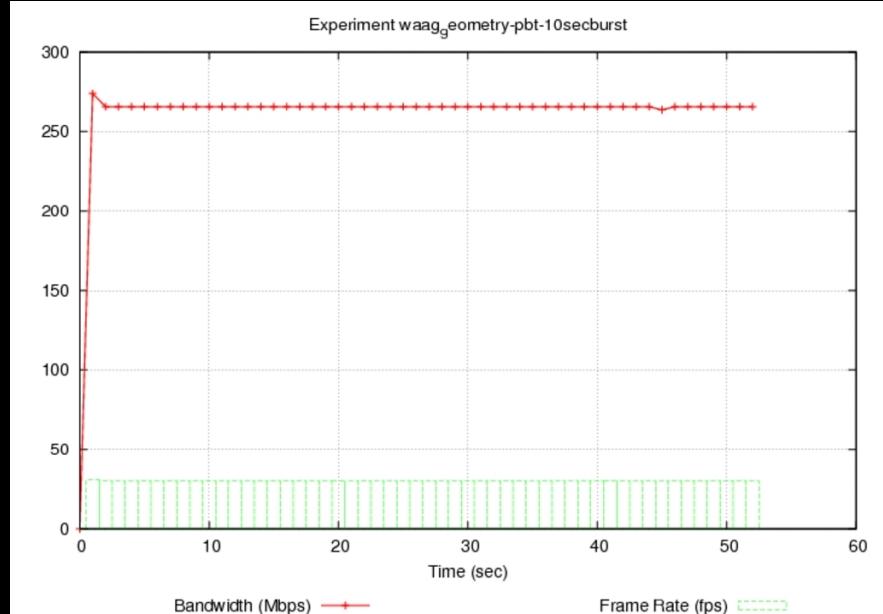


Sage without
background
traffic

Sage with
background
traffic



10 Second Traffic
bursts with No PBT



10 Second Traffic
bursts with PBT

PBT is SIMPLE and EFFECTIVE
technology to build a shared Media-Ready Network



Alien light

From idea to realisation!



40Gb/s alien wavelength transmission via a multi-vendor 10Gb/s DWDM infrastructure

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Alien wavelength advantages

- Direct connection of customer equipment^[1] → cost savings
- Avoid OEO regeneration → power savings
- Faster time to service^[2] → time savings
- Support of different modulation formats^[3] → extend network lifetime

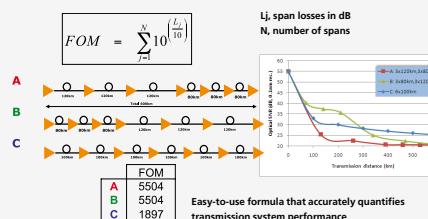
Alien wavelength challenges

- Complex end-to-end optical path engineering in terms of linear (i.e. OSNR, dispersion) and non-linear (FWM, SPM, XPM, Raman) transmission effects for different modulation formats.
- Complex interoperability testing.
- End-to-end monitoring, fault isolation and resolution.
- End-to-end service activation.

In this demonstration we will investigate the performance of a 40Gb/s PM-QPSK alien wavelength installed on a 10Gb/s DWDM infrastructure.

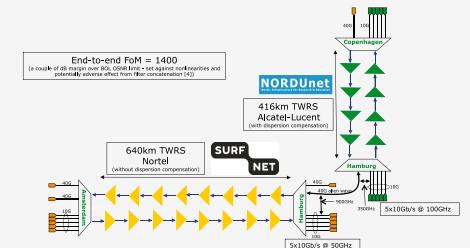
New method to present fiber link quality, FOM (Figure of Merit)

In order to quantify optical link grade, we propose a new method of representing system quality: the FOM (Figure of Merit) for concatenated fiber spans.

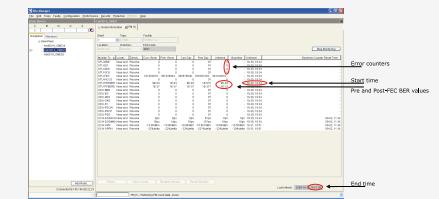


Transmission system setup

JOINT SURFnet/NORDUnet 40Gb/s PM-QPSK alien wavelength DEMONSTRATION.



Test results



Conclusions

- We have investigated experimentally the all-optical transmission of a 40Gb/s PM-QPSK alien wavelength via a concatenated native and third party DWDM system that both were carrying live 10Gb/s wavelengths.
- The end-to-end transmission system consisted of 1056 km of TWRS (TrueWave Reduced Slope) transmission fiber.
- We demonstrated error-free transmission (i.e. BER below 10^-15) during a 23 hour period.
- More detailed system performance analysis will be presented in an upcoming paper.

NORTEL

NORDUnet

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NET

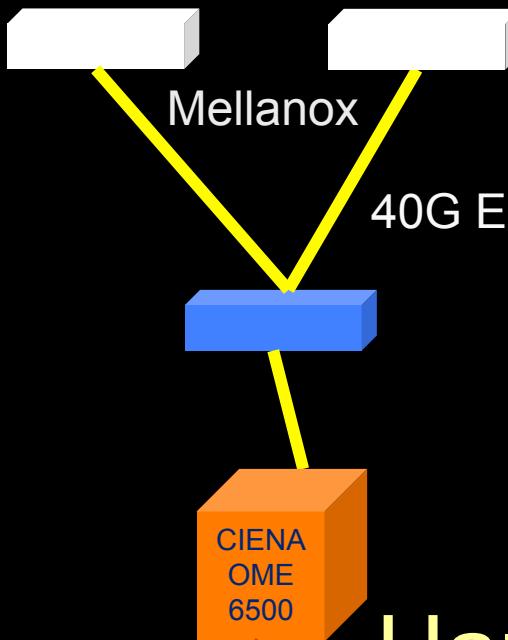
ClearStream @ TNC2011

Setup
codename:
FlightCees



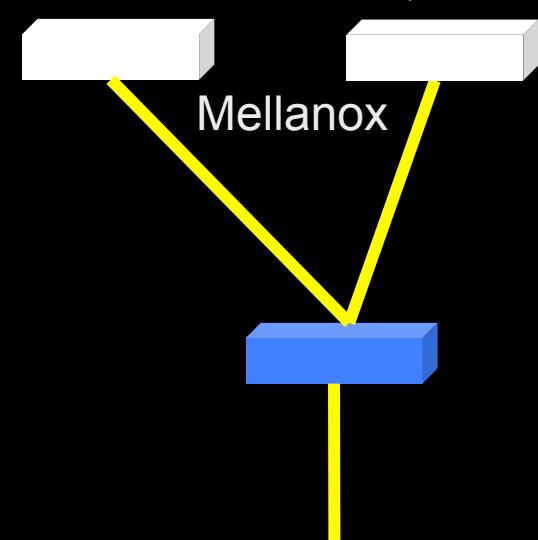
UvA

iPerf
I7 3.2 GHz Q-core Amd Ph II 3.6 GHz HexC



Copenhagen

iPerf
2* dual 2.8 GHz Q-core



CERN

Hamburg

CIENA DWDM

17 ms RTT

Alcatel DWDM

27 ms RTT



CIENA
OME
6500

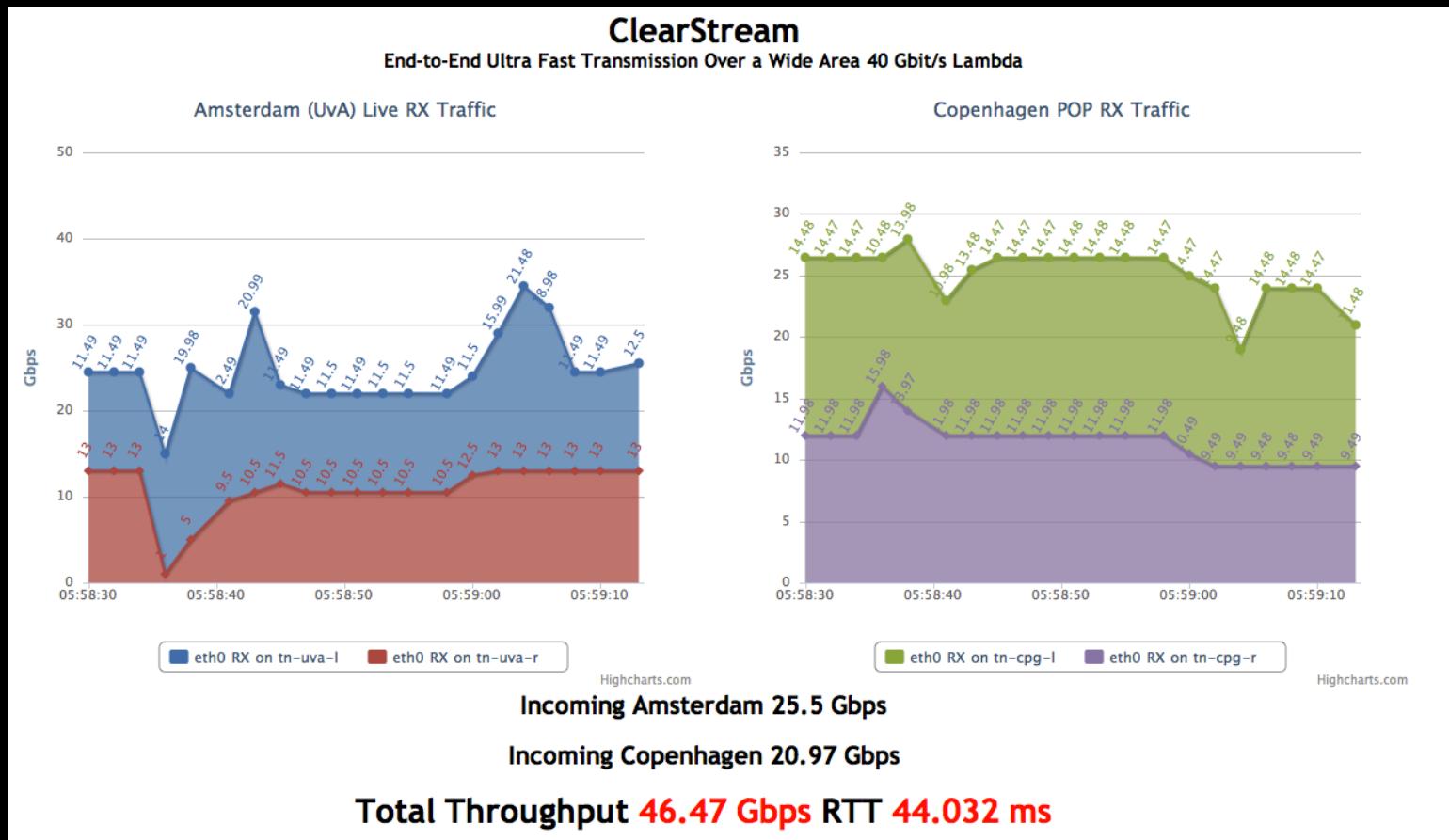
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Amsterdam – Geneva (CERN) – Copenhagen – 4400 km (2700 km alien light)

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From GLIF October 2010 @ CERN

```
[screen 0: ifstat] r
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2.28e+07	2.34e+07
5.55e+06	2.49e+07
2.27e+07	2.34e+07
eth2	
Kbps in	Kbps out
2.28e+07	2.34e+07

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[Screen 0: ifstat] r
1.02e+07 1.08e+07
9.79e+06 9.13e+06
6.52e+06 6.52e+06
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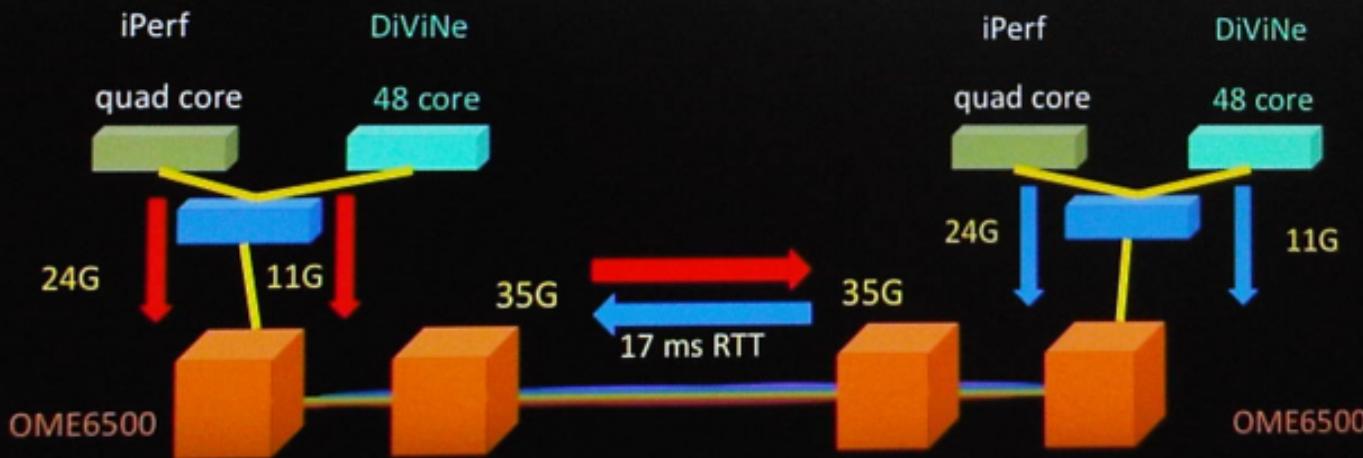
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Kbps in Kbps out
8.75e+06 8.74e+06
2.25e+06 3.13e+06
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2.39e+07 1.57e+07
2.43e+07 1.26e+07
2.34e+07 2.28e+07
2.34e+07 2.28e+07
2.34e+07 2.28e+07
2.34e+07 2.28e+07
eth0
Kbps in Kbps out
2.34e+07 2.28e+07
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	in	out
1.08e+07	1.02e+07	
9.23e+06	9.80e+06	
6.55e+06	6.53e+06	
3.47e+06	2.33e+06	
1.89e+06	2.57e+06	
1.04e+07	1.09e+07	
1.06e+07	1.04e+07	
eth0		
Kbps in	Kbps out	
7.73e+06	7.81e+06	
4.44e+06	3.48e+06	
32517.03	35833.66	
2.79e+06	3.60e+06	
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3.26e+06	2.28e+06	

UvA

CERN



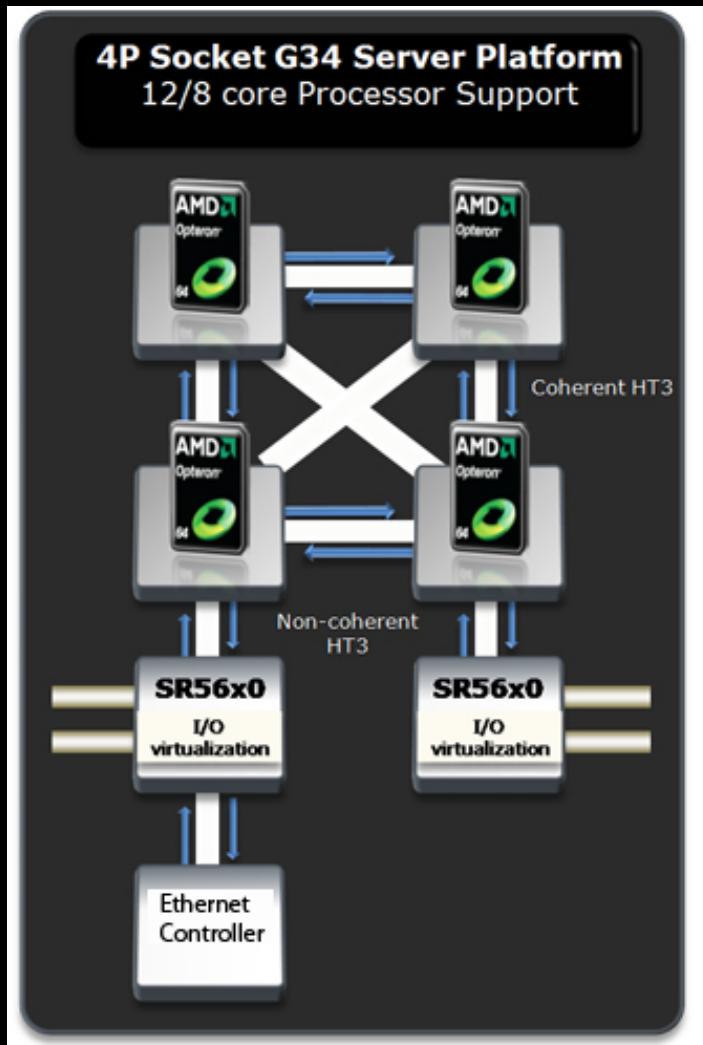
Results (rtt = 17 ms)

- Single flow iPerf 1 core → 21 Gbps
- Single flow iPerf 1 core <> → 15+15 Gbps
- Multi flow iPerf 2 cores → 25 Gbps
- Multi flow iPerf 2 cores <> → 23+23 Gbps
- DiViNe <> → 11 Gbps
- Multi flow iPerf + DiVine → 35 Gbps
- Multi flow iPerf + DiVine <> → 35 + 35 Gbps

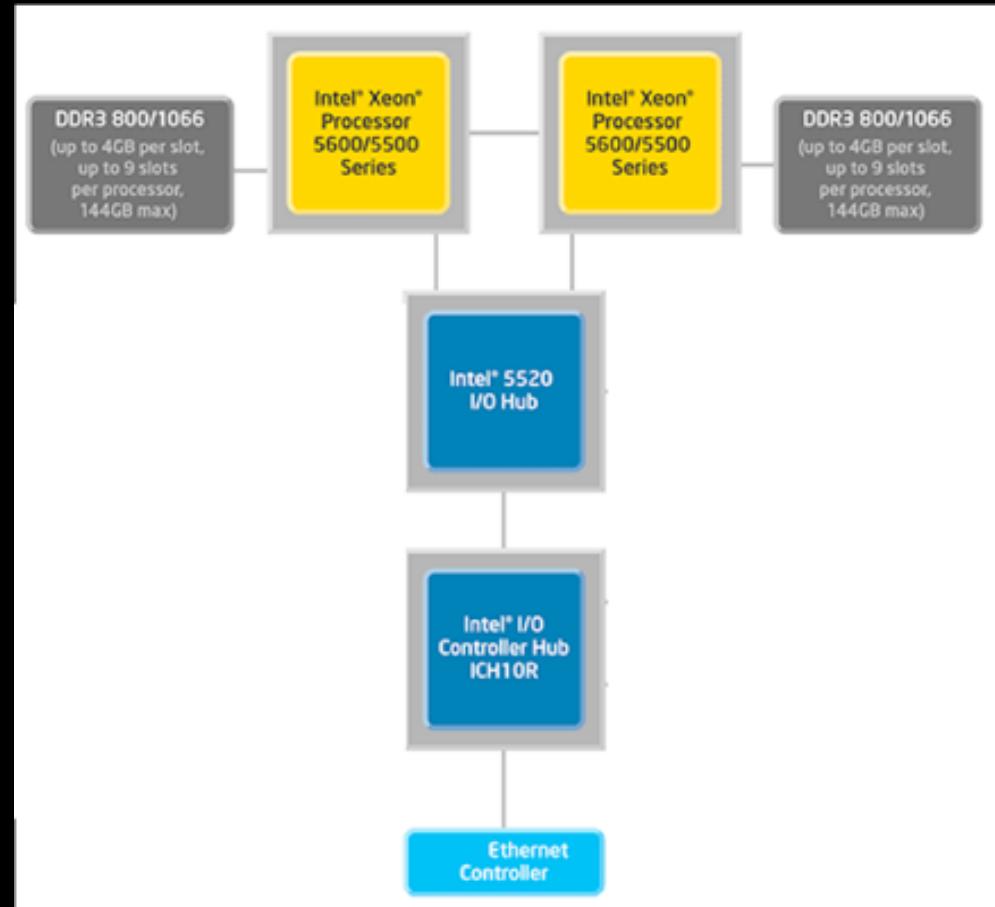
Performance Explained

- Mellanox 40GE card is PCI-E 2.0 8x (5GT/s)
- 40Gbit/s raw throughput but
- PCI-E is a network-like protocol
 - 8/10 bit encoding -> 25% overhead -> 32Gbit/s maximum data throughput
 - Routing information
- Extra overhead from IP/Ethernet framing
- Server architecture matters!
 - 4P system performed worse in multithreaded iperf

Server Architecture

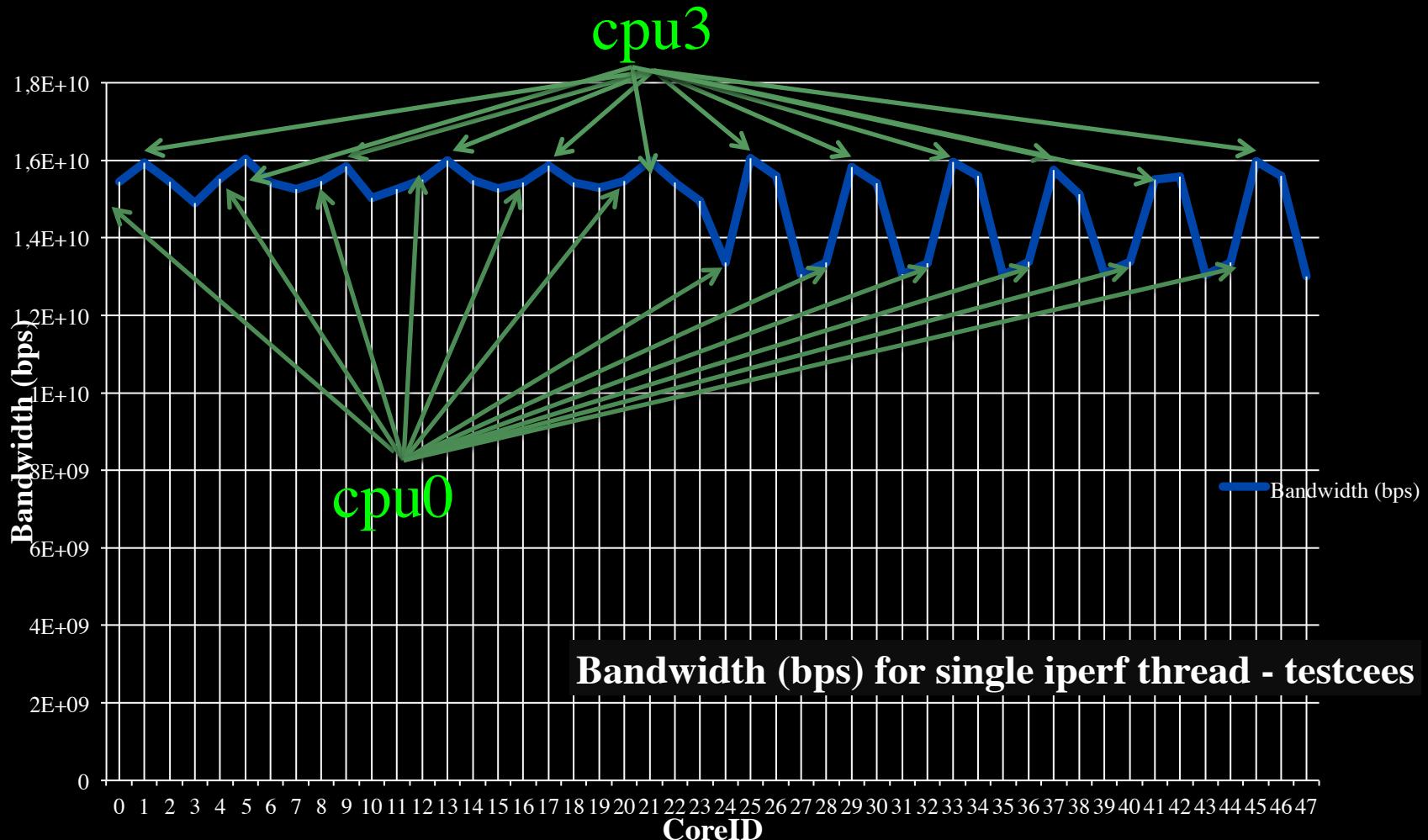


DELL R815
4 x AMD Opteron 6100



Supermicro X8DTT-HIBQF
2 x Intel Xeon

CPU Topology benchmark

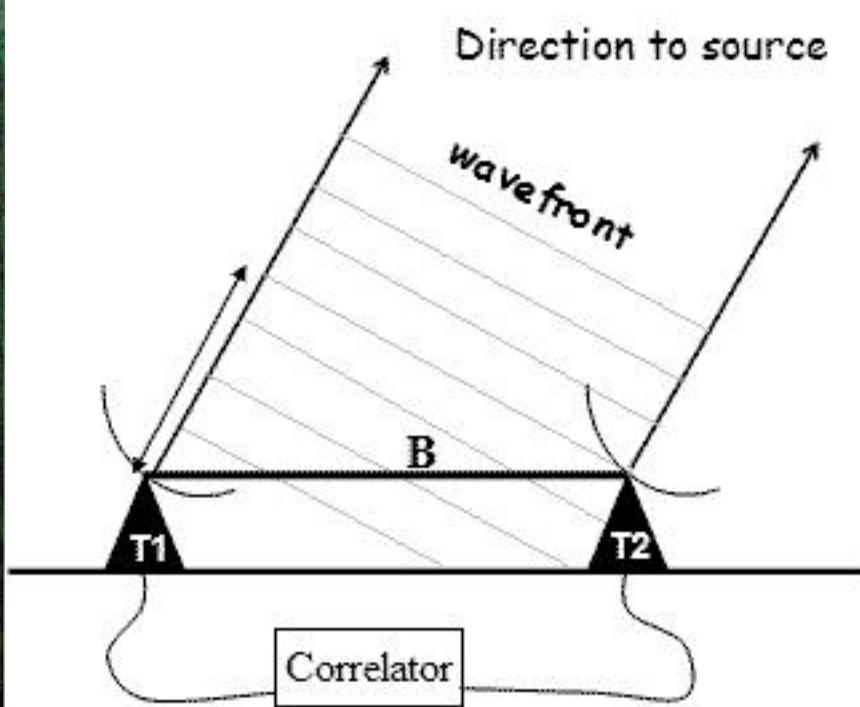


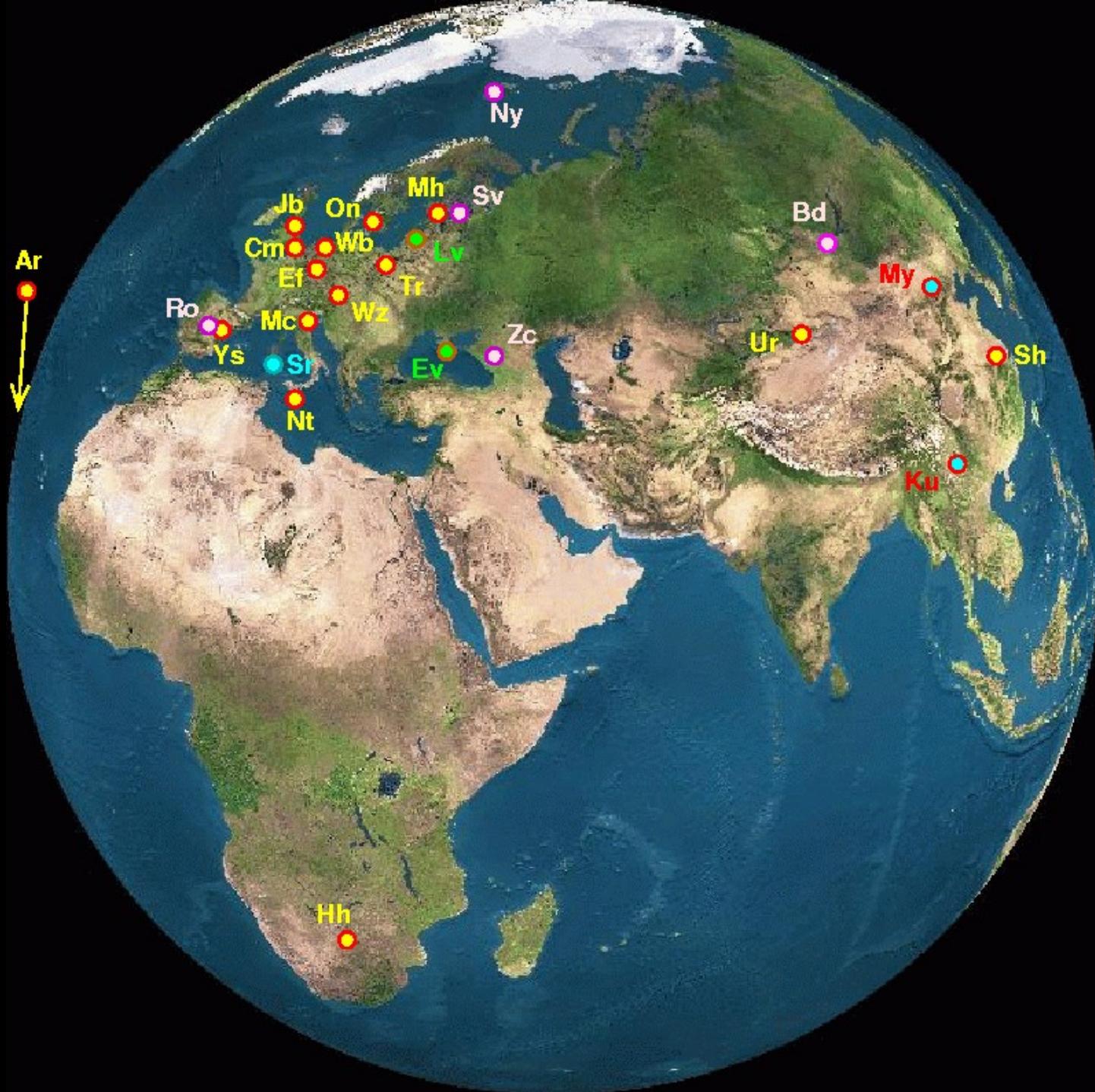
We used numactl to bind iperf to cores



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Green-IT				X	X		
Privacy/Trust		X		X			
Authorization/policy	X	X		X	X		
Programmable networks	X	X					
40-100Gig/TCP/WF/QoS	X	X	X		X		
Topology/Architecture	X	X	X	X	X		
Optical Photonic	X	X	X				

e -Very Large Base Interferometer





2008

2009

Deadline for submitting observing proposals

Program committee:

- * rates proposals
- * allocates observing time

VLBI Observing Session

Disks shipped to JIVE

Correlation at JIVE

Data shipped

*Data arrives at
at scientist's desk!*

Sep

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May

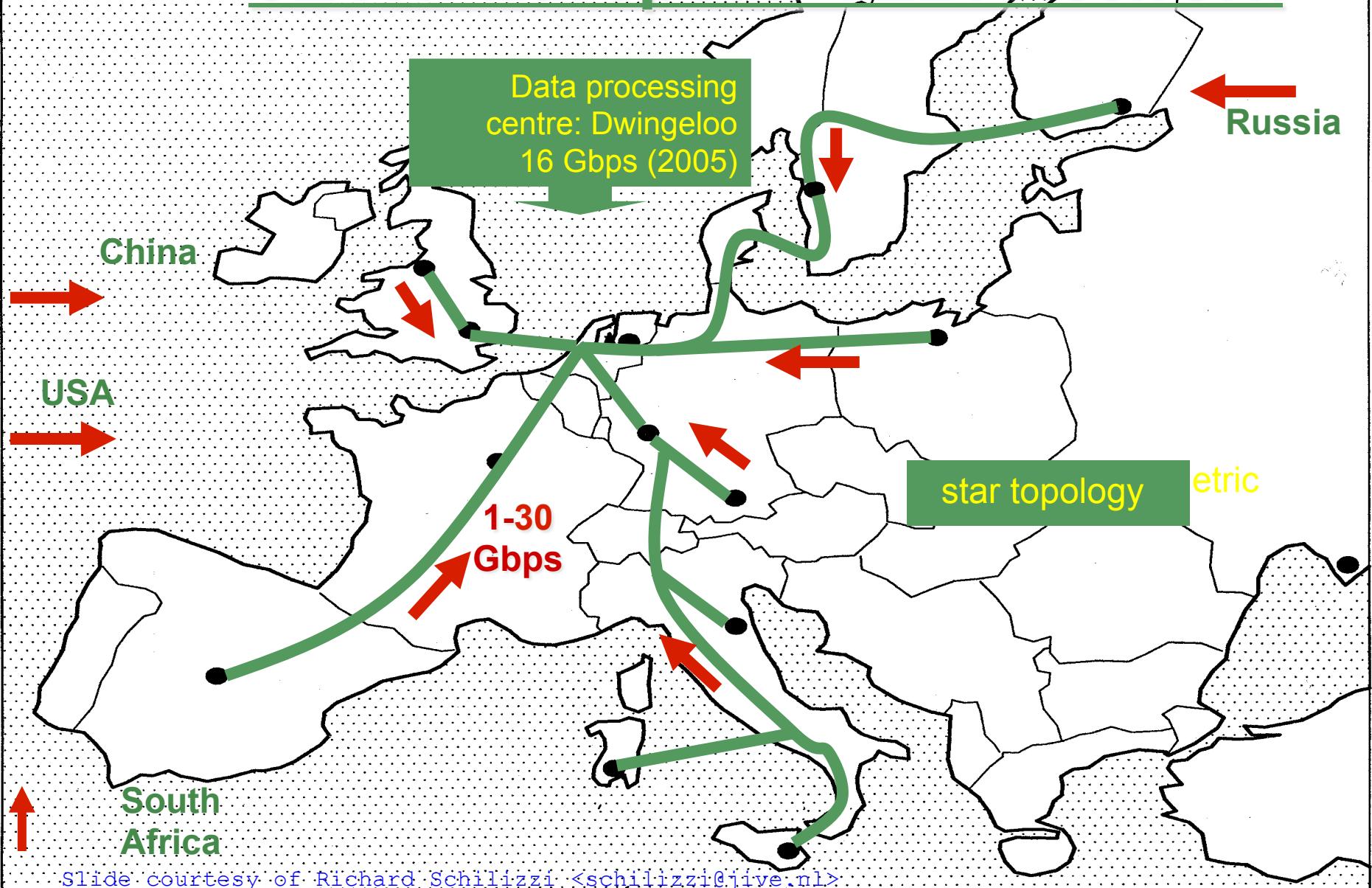
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eEVN: European VLBI Network



eVLBI. From proposal to VLBI Data products

Dec 4

Dec 5

Dec 6

Deadline for submitting eVLBI observing proposals

*Program committee decides
if eVLBI science can be justified*



eVLBI Observing Run

Correlation at JIVE

*Scientist downloads data
from www.jive.nl*

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18:00

24:00

06:00

12:00

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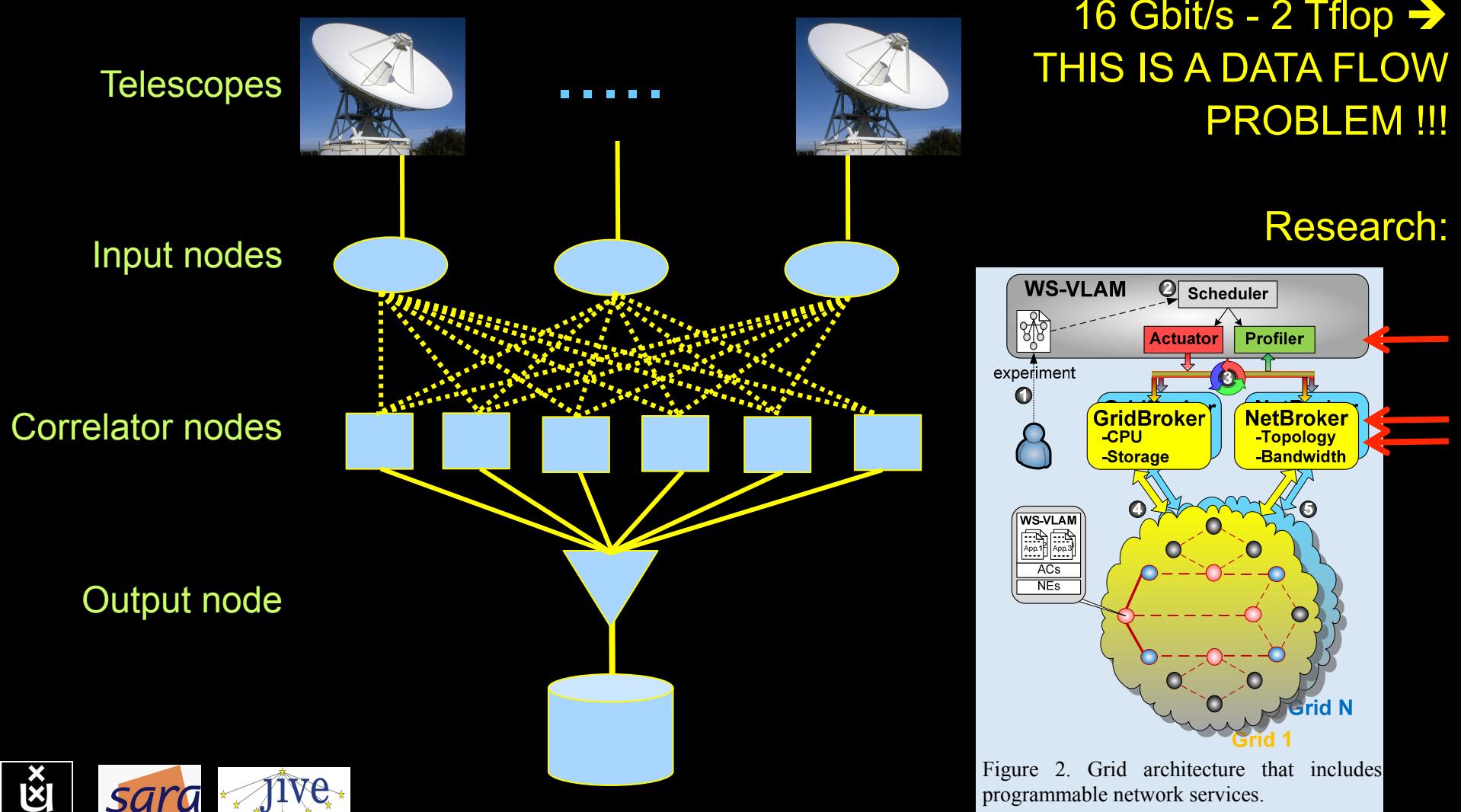
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The SCARIE project

SCARIE: a research project to create a Software Correlator for e-VLBI.

VLBI Correlation: signal processing technique to get high precision image from spatially distributed radio-telescope.

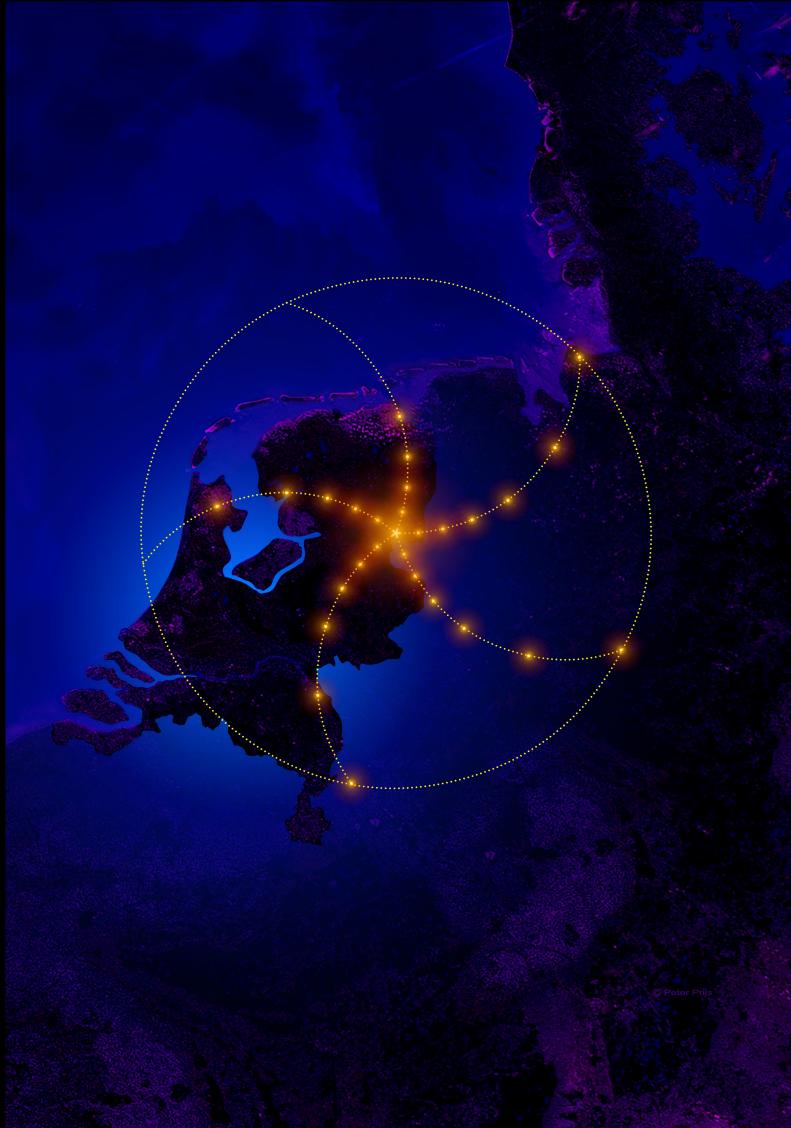


LOFAR as a Sensor Network

20 flops/byte

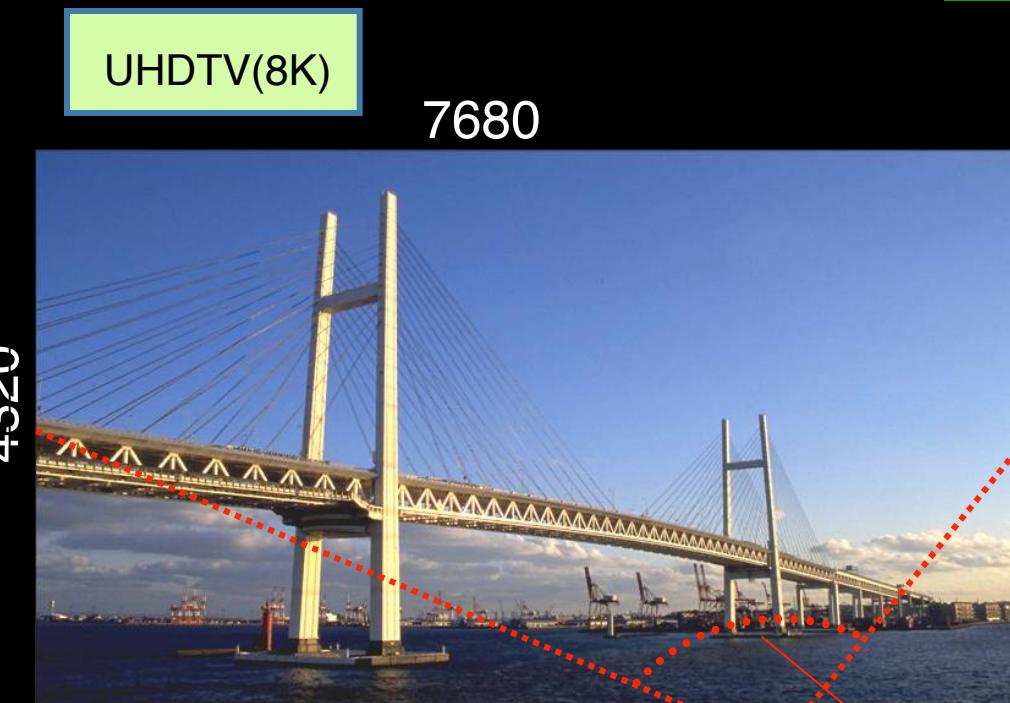
- LOFAR is a large distributed research infrastructure:
 - Astronomy:
 - >100 phased array stations
 - Combined in aperture synthesis array
 - 13,000 small “LF” antennas
 - 13,000 small “HF” tiles
 - Geophysics:
 - 18 vibration sensors per station
 - Infrasound detector per station
 - >20 Tbit/s generated digitally
 - >40 Tflop/s supercomputer
 - innovative software systems
 - new calibration approaches
 - full distributed control
 - VO and Grid integration
 - datamining and visualisation

2 Tflops/s

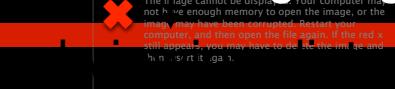


Why is more resolution is better?

1. More Resolution Allows Closer Viewing of Larger Image
2. Closer Viewing of Larger Image Increases Viewing Angle
3. Increased Viewing Angle Produces Stronger Emotional Response



0.75 × Picture Height



HDTV (2K)

1080

1920

30°

3.0 × Picture Height



2160

3840

UHDTV(4K)



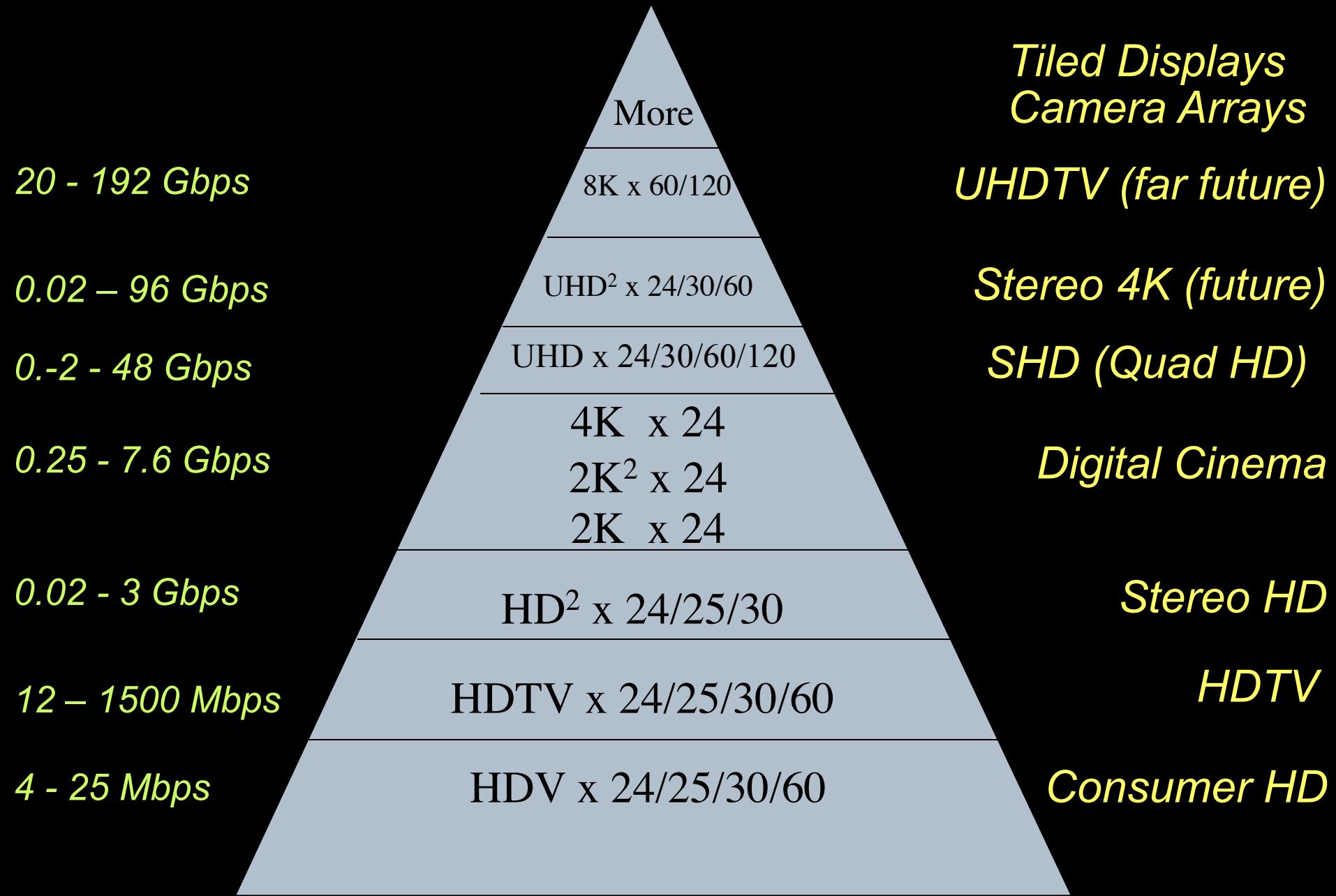
60°

1.5 × Picture Height



100°

CineGrid: A Scalable Approach



Moving Big Data Objects Globally

□ Digital Motion Picture for Audio Post-Production

- 1 TV Episode Dubbing Reference ~ 1 GB
- 1 Theatrical 5.1 Final Mix ~ 8 GB
- 1 Theatrical Feature Dubbing reference ~ 30 GB

□ Digital Motion Picture Acquisition

- 4K RGB x 24 FPS x 10bit/color: ~ 48MB/Frame uncompressed (*ideal*)
- 6:1 ~ 20:1 shooting ratios => 48TB ~ 160TB digital camera originals

□ Digital Dailies

- HD compressed MPEG-2 @ 25 ~ 50 Mb/s

□ Digital Post-production and Visual Effects

- Gigabytes - Terabytes to Select Sites Depending on Project

□ Digital Motion Picture Distribution

- Film Printing in Regions
 - Features ~ 8TB
 - Trailers ~ 200GB
- Digital Cinema Package to Theatres
 - Features ~ 100 - 300GB per DCP
 - Trailers ~ 2 - 4GB per DCP

Yesterday's Media Transport Method!



What Happens in an Internet Minute?



And Future Growth is Staggering

Today, the number of networked devices



By 2015, the number of networked devices

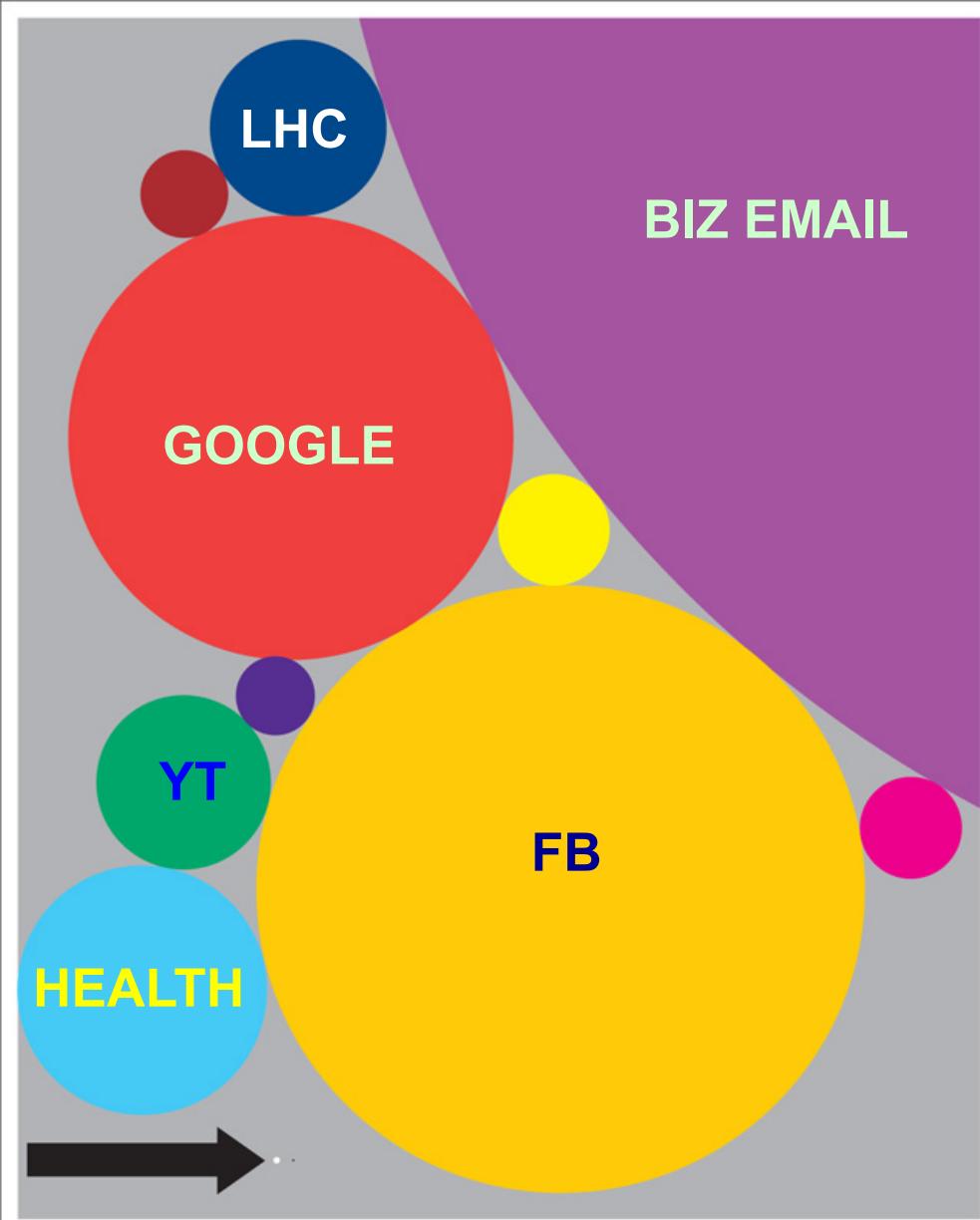


In 2015,
it would take
you 5 years



to view all video crossing IP networks each second



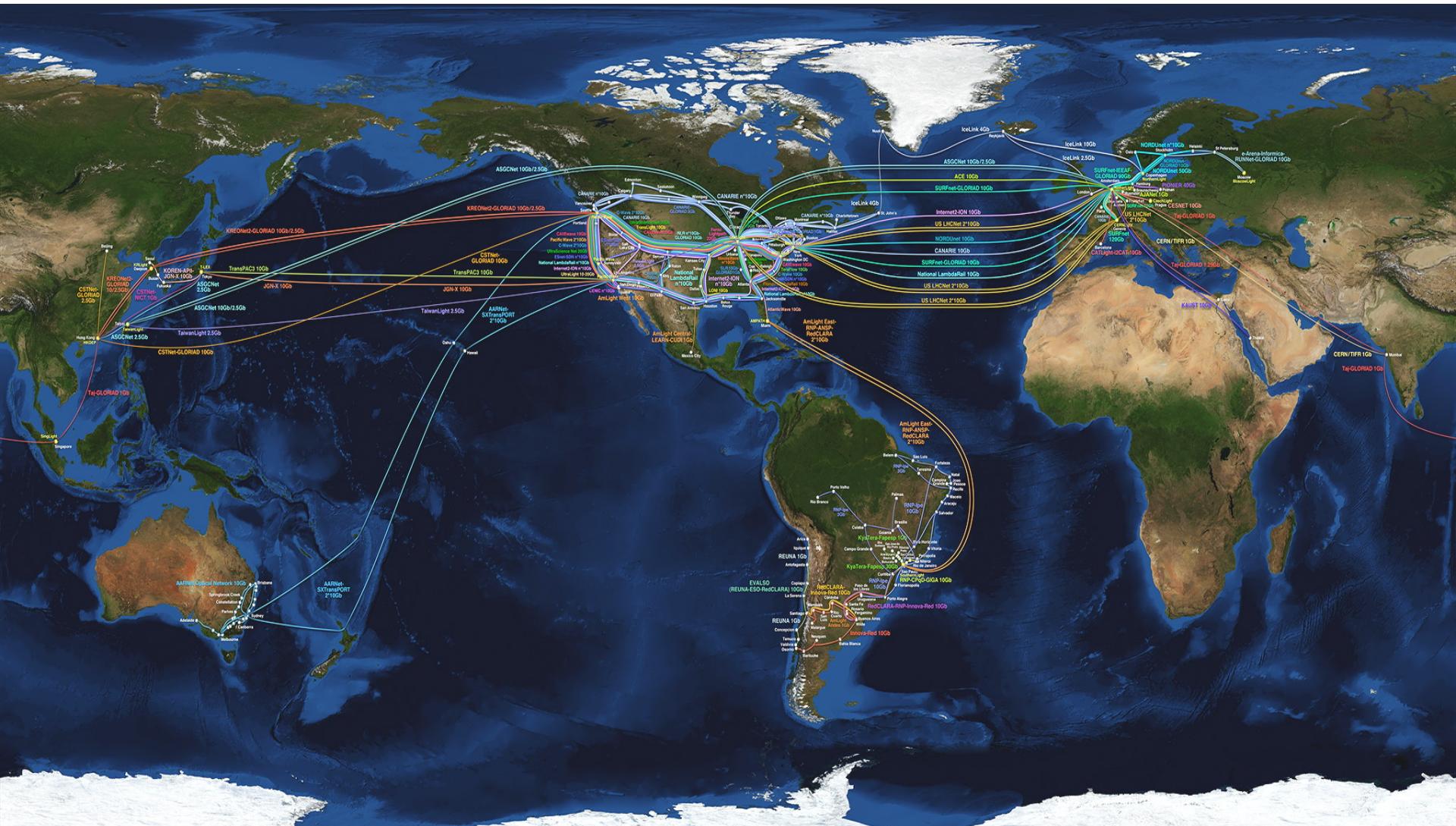


There
is
always
a
bigger
fish

Size of data sets in terabytes	
Business email sent per year	2,986,100
Content uploaded to Facebook each year	182,500
Google's search index	97,656
Kaiser Permanente's digital health records	30,720
Large Hadron Collider's annual data output	15,360
Videos uploaded to YouTube per year	15,000
National Climactic Data Center database	6,144
Library of Congress' digital collection	5,120
US Census Bureau data	3,789
Nasdaq stock market database	3,072
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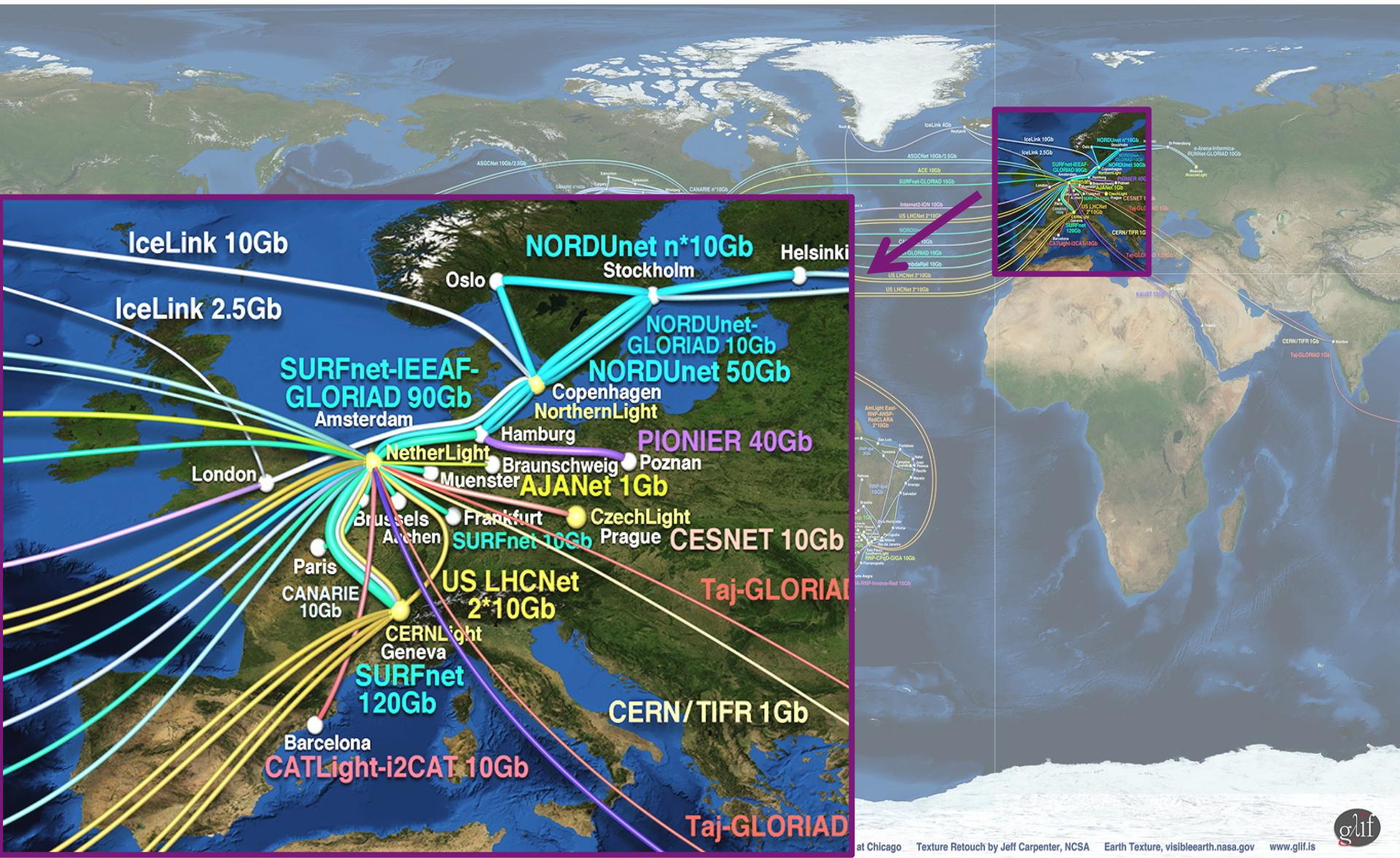
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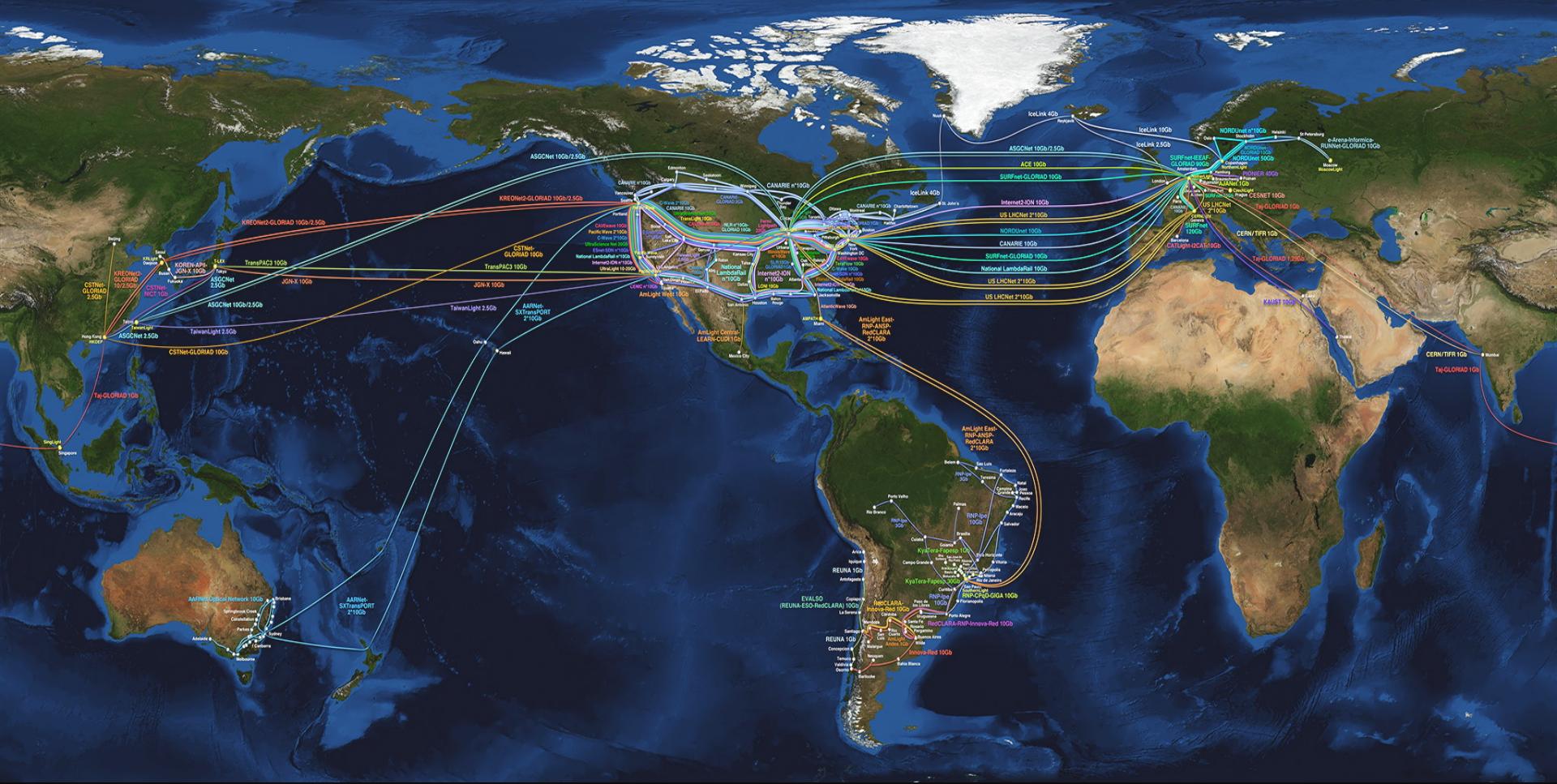


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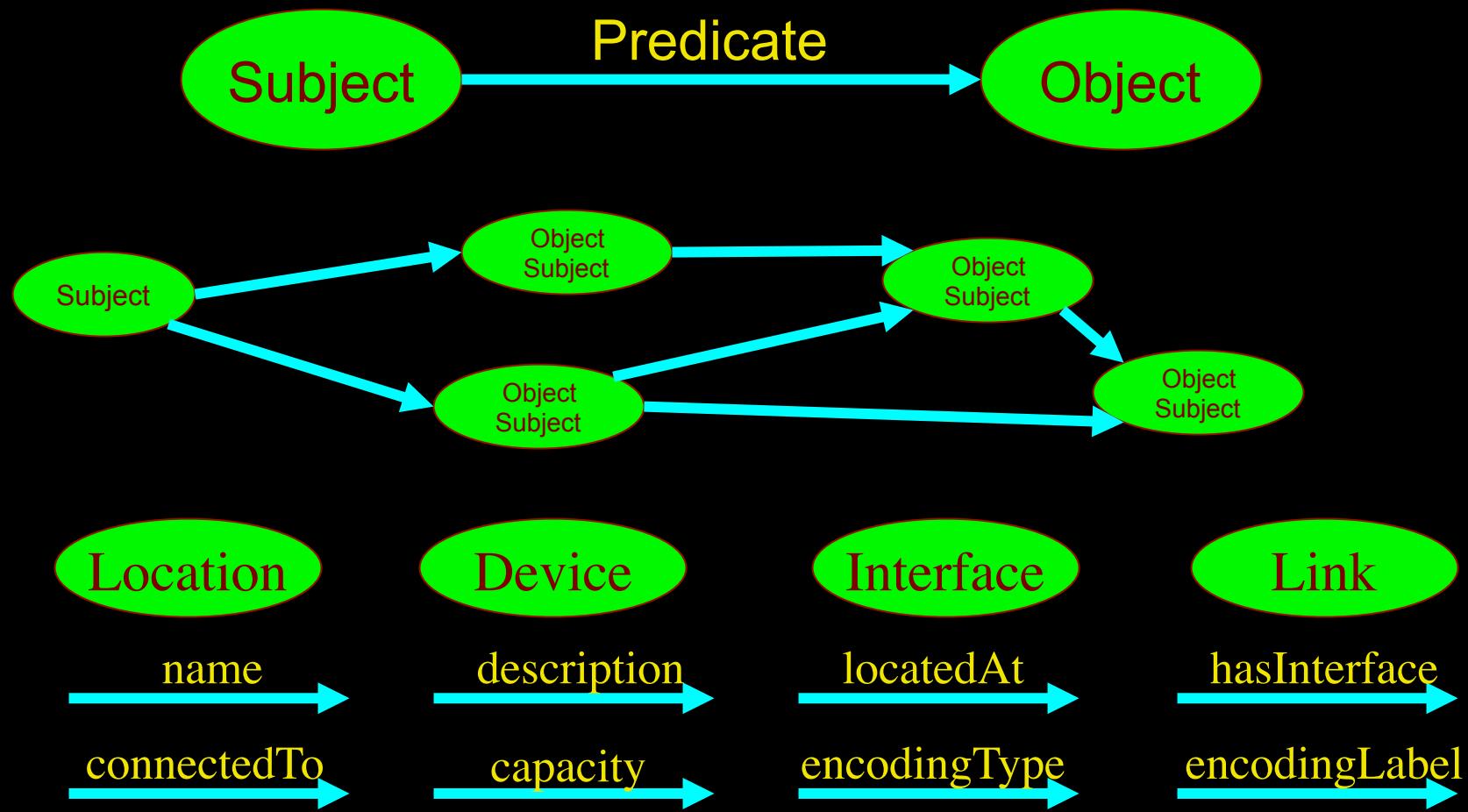
We investigate: complex networks!





LinkedIN for Infrastructure

- From semantic Web / Resource Description Framework.
- The RDF uses XML as an interchange syntax.
- Data is described by triplets (Friend of a Friend):

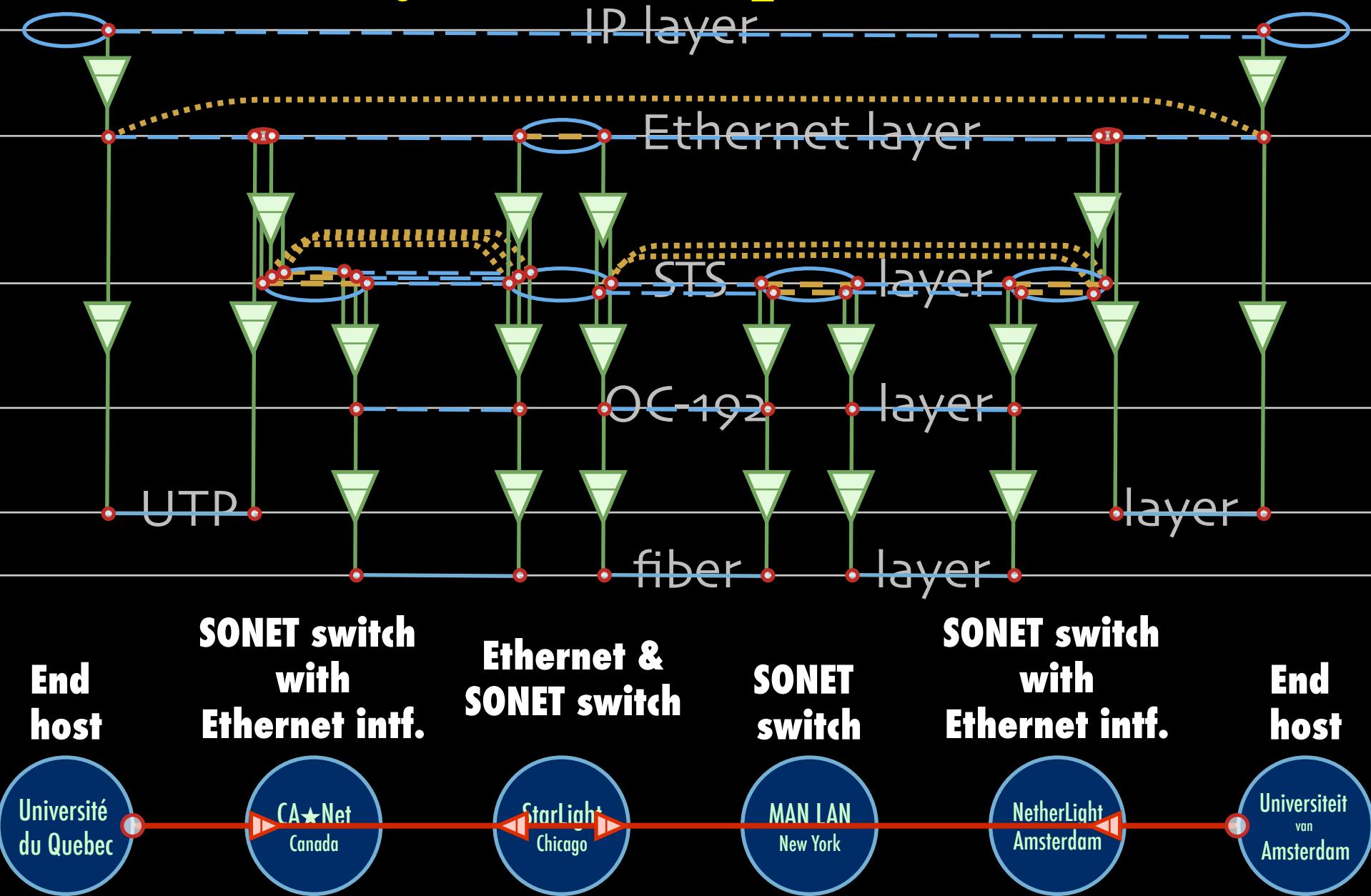


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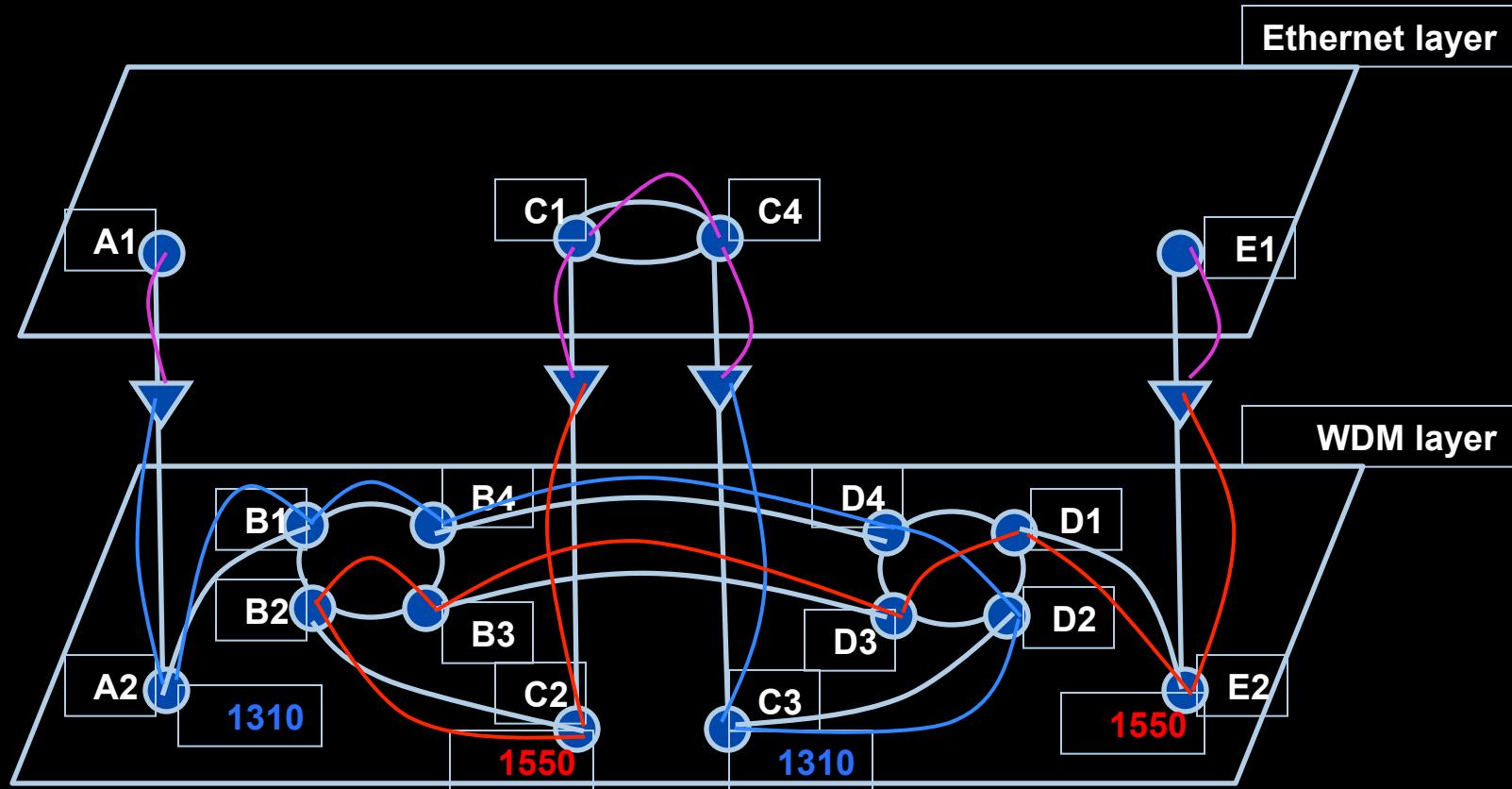
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Multi-layer descriptions in NDL



Multi-layer Network PathFinding

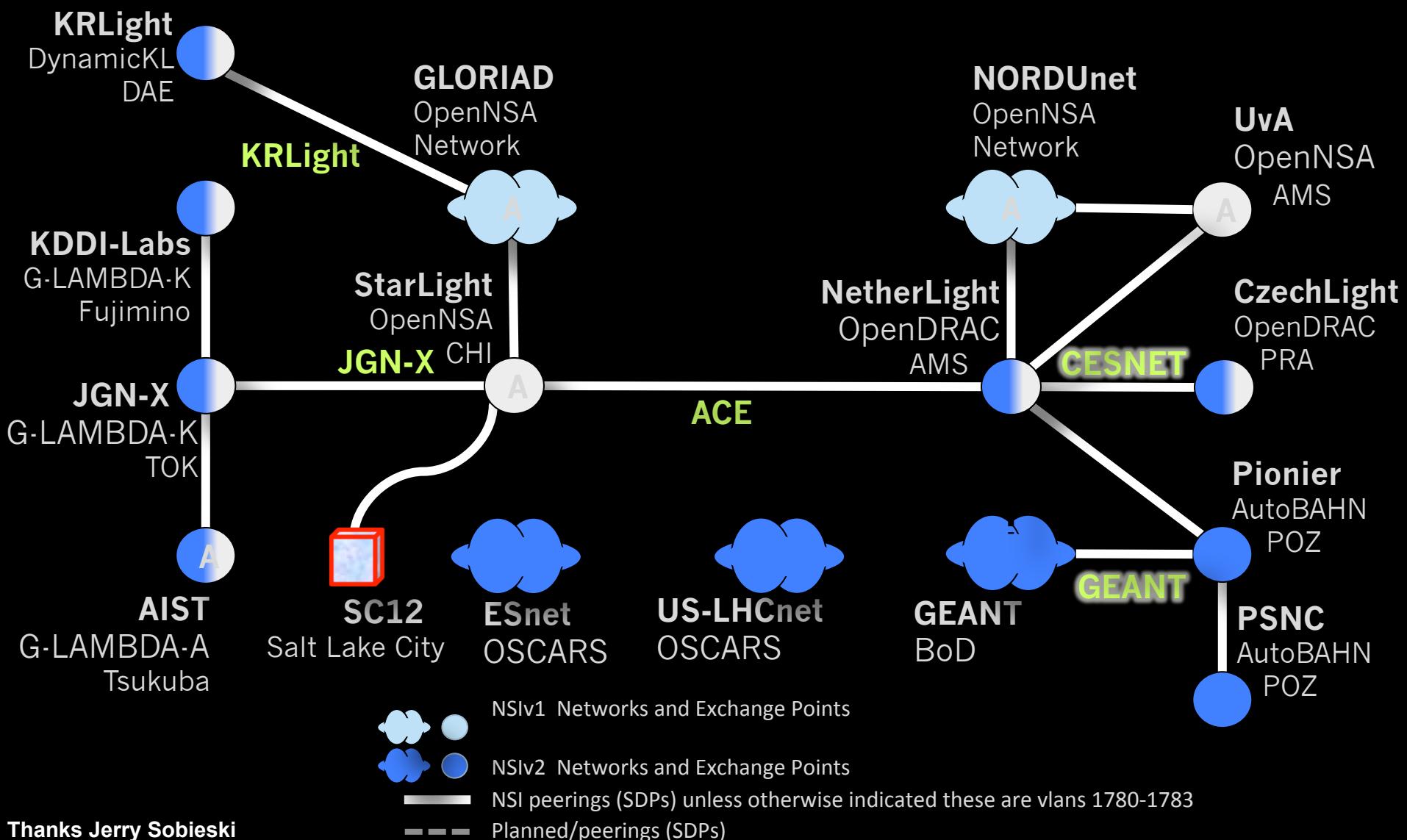


Path between interfaces A1 and E1:
A1-A2-B1-B4-D4-D2-C3-C4-C1-C2-B2-B3-D3-D1-E2-E1

Scaling: Combinatorial problem

Automated GOLE + NSI

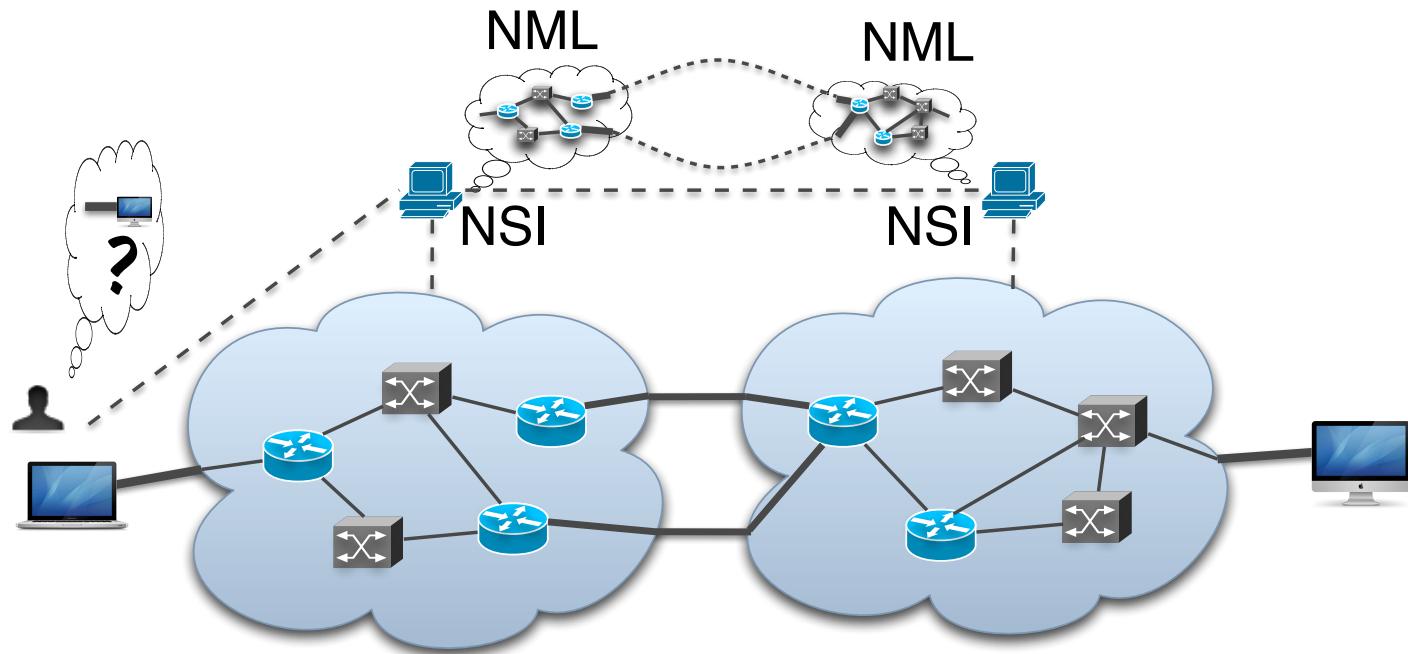
Joint NSI v1+v2 Beta Test Fabric Nov 2012
Ethernet Transport Service



Network Topology Description

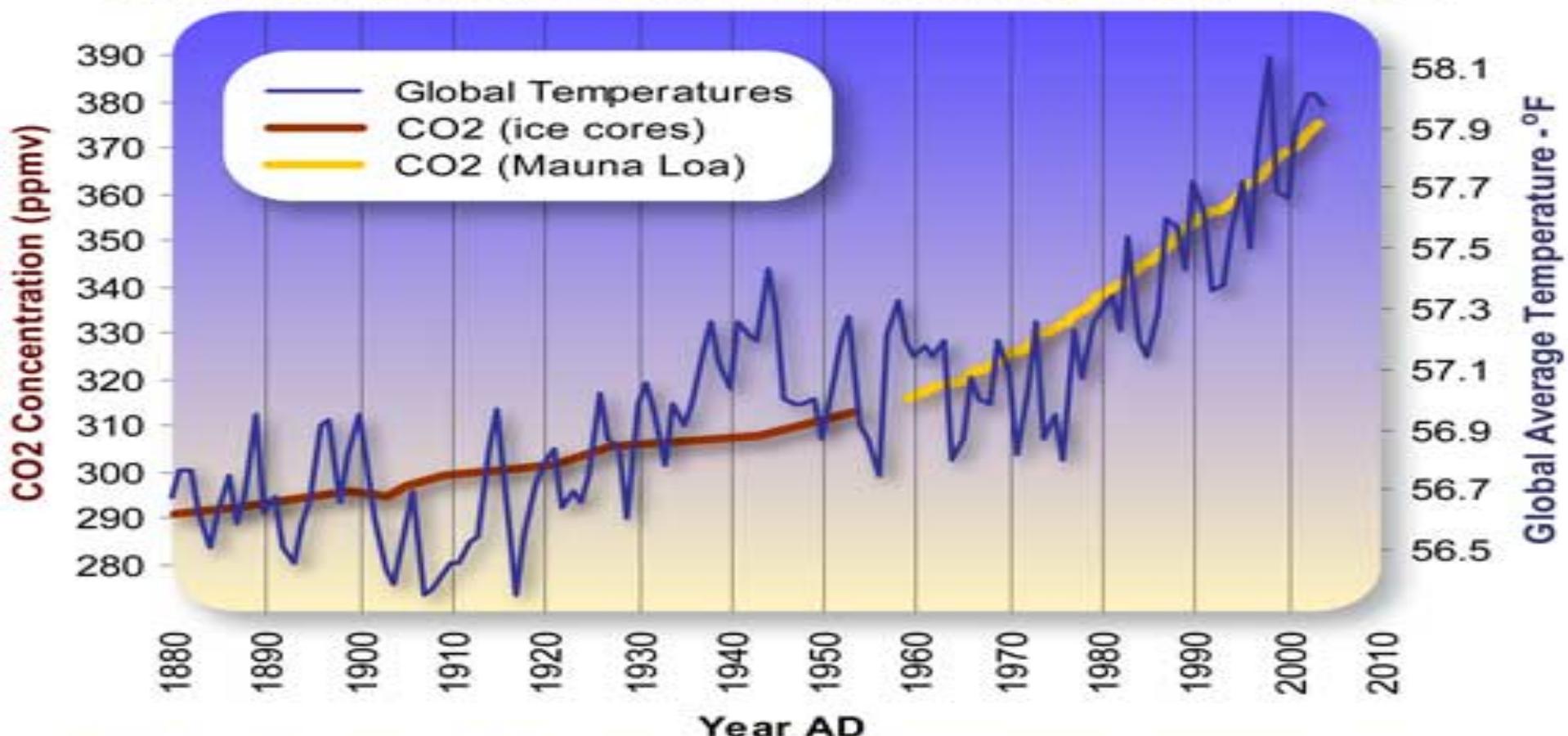
Network topology research supporting automatic network provisioning

- Inter-domain networks
- Multiple technologies
- Based on incomplete information
- Possibly linked to other resources



Need for GreenIT

Global Average Temperature and Carbon Dioxide Concentrations, 1880 - 2004



Data Source Temperature: ftp://ftp.ncdc.noaa.gov/pub/data/anomalies/annual_land_and_ocean.ts
Data Source CO₂ (Siple Ice Cores): <http://cdiac.esd.ornl.gov/ftp/trends/co2/siple2.013>
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Greening the Processing System

Positive proof of global warming.



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Century 1900 1950 1970 1980 1990 2006

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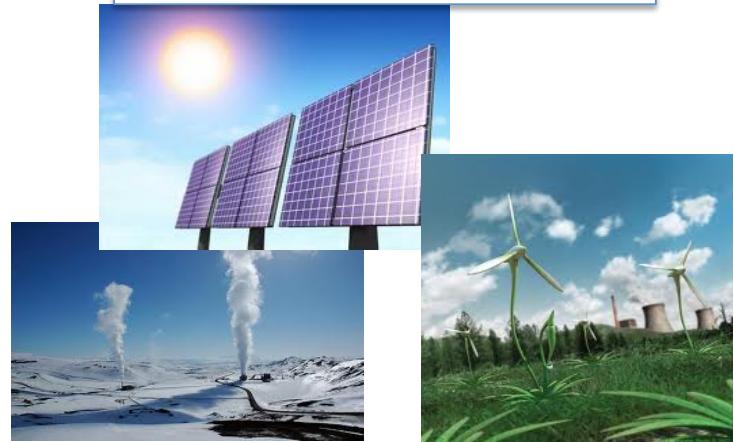


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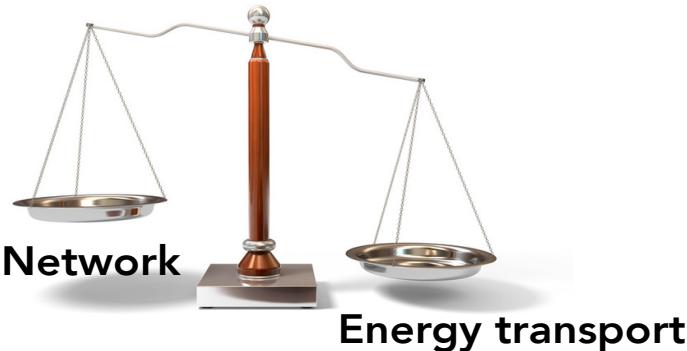
Network infrastructures



Green energy sources



CO₂ footprint;
Energy needed and lost



Network

Energy transport

Bits to energy

CO₂ footprint;
Energy needed and lost

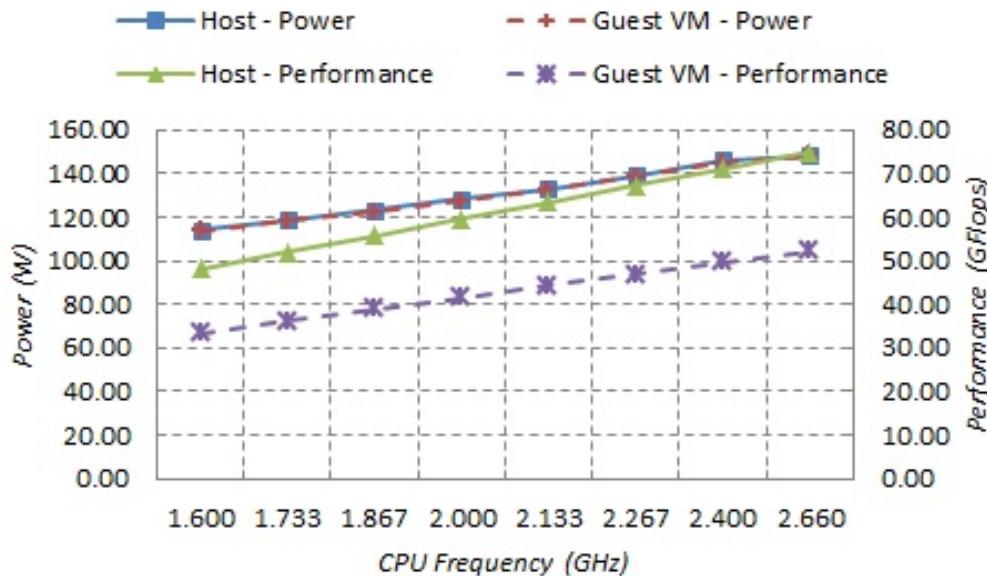


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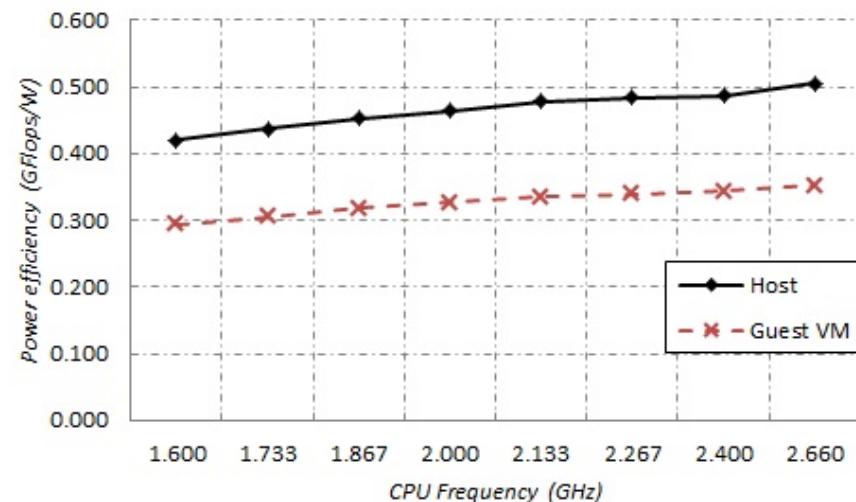
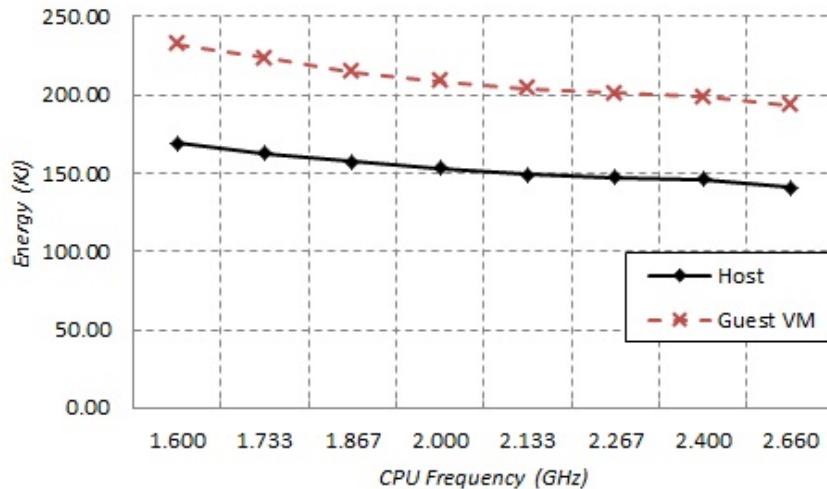
Energy transport

Energy to bits

Energy saving in clouds

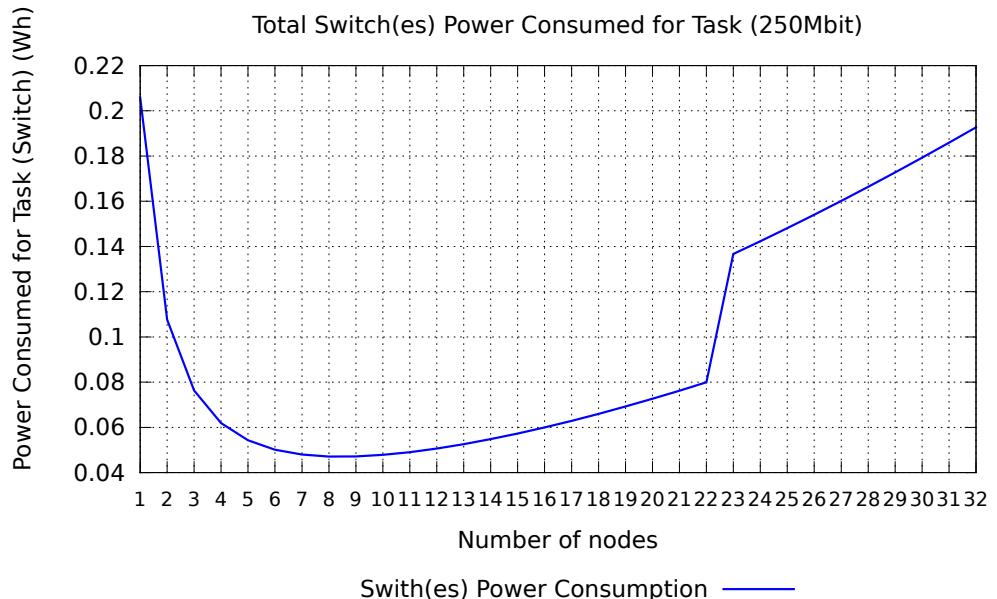
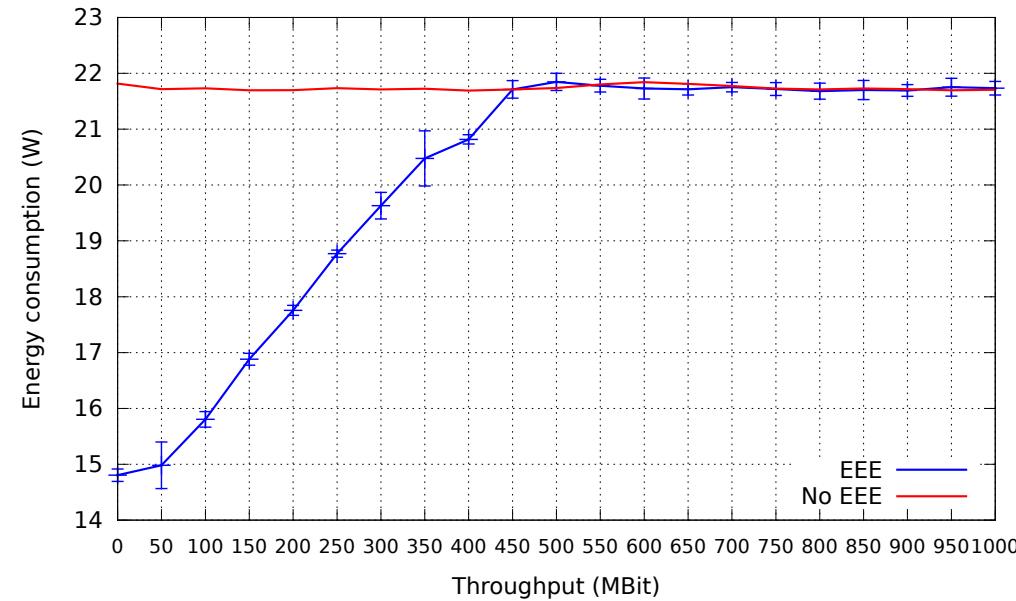
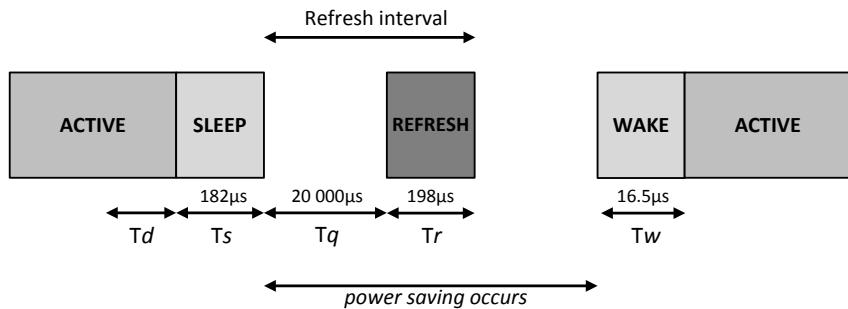


Quantifying the energy performance of VMs is the first step toward energy-aware job scheduling.



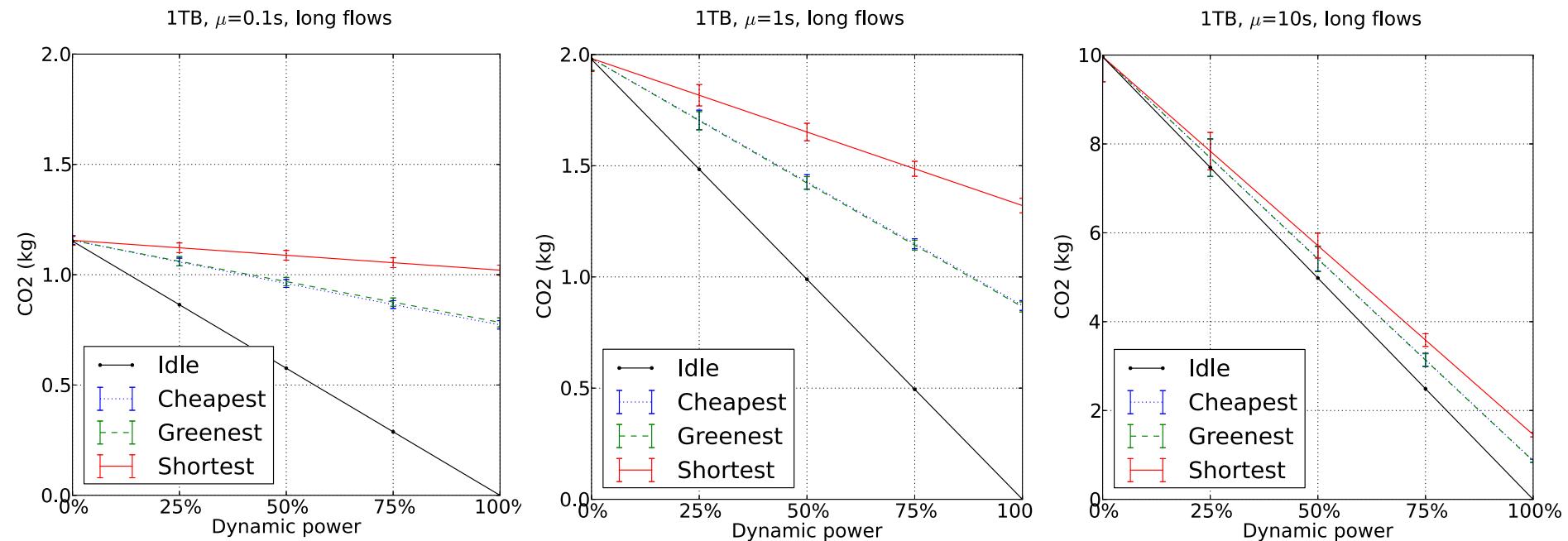
Energy Efficient Ethernet (802.3az)

Power savings techniques in hardware can be leveraged in architecturing communication patterns in data centra



Networks and CO₂

- Take a network (Esnet, working on using SURFnet data)
- Define the traffic model running on it
- Use the energy monitoring information and energy costs data
- Compare path selection strategies : shortest, cheapest and greenest



"A motivation for carbon aware path provisioning for NRENs" (submitted to eEnergy2014)



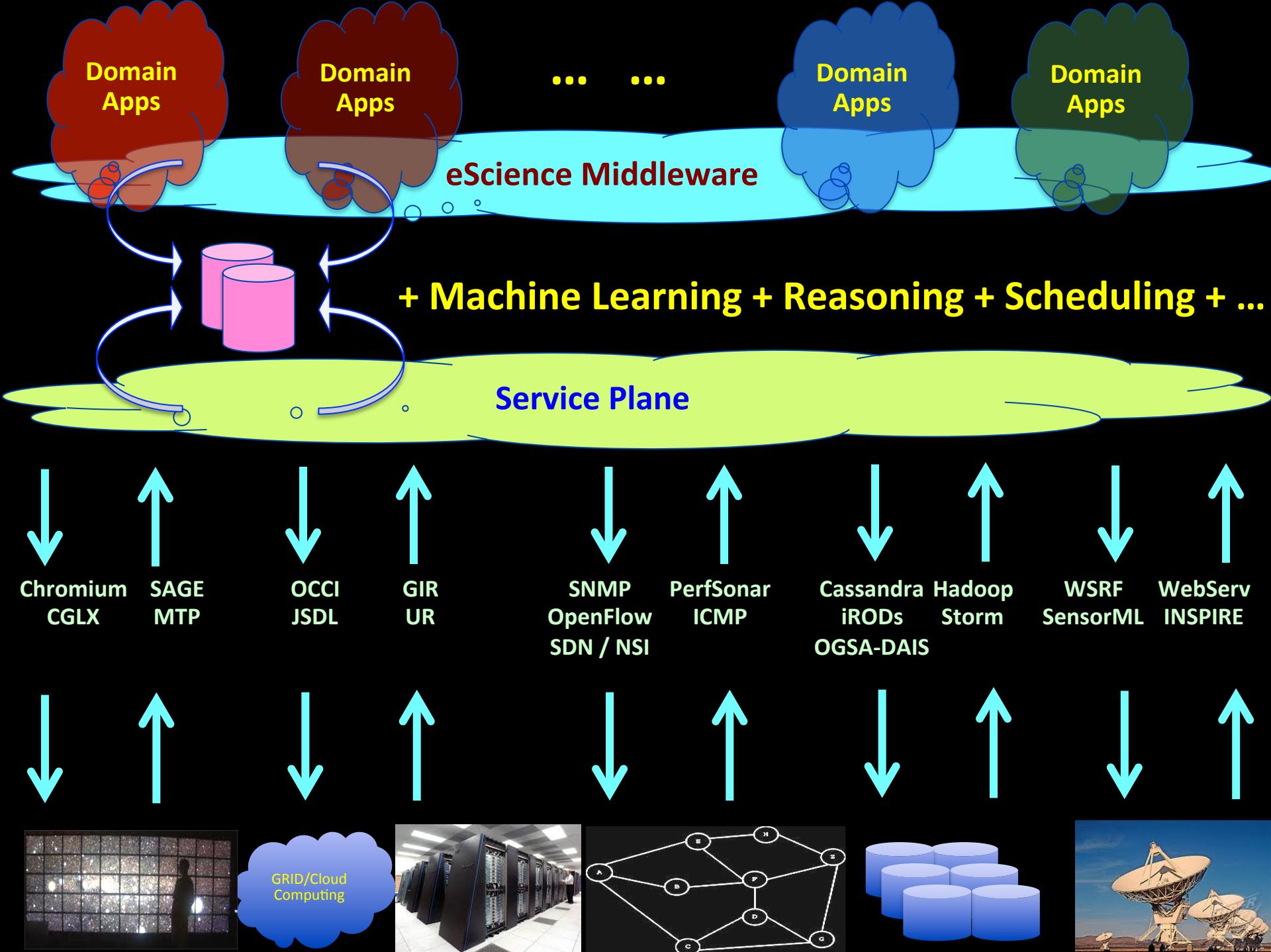


I want to



“Show Big Bug Bunny in 4K on my Tiled Display using green Infrastructure”

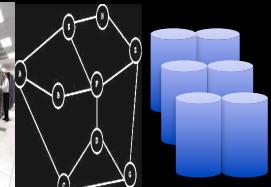
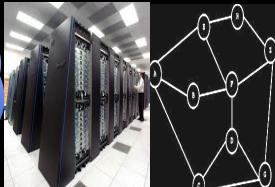
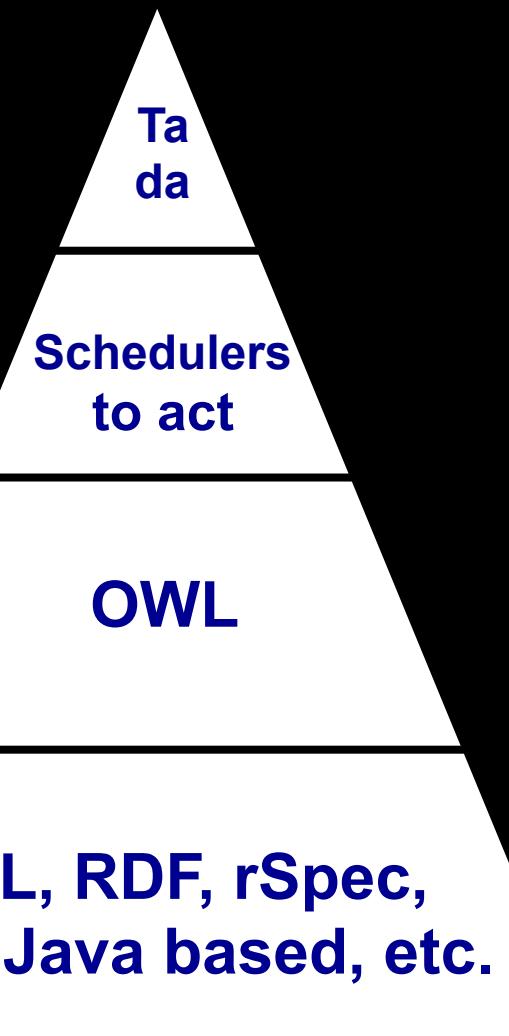
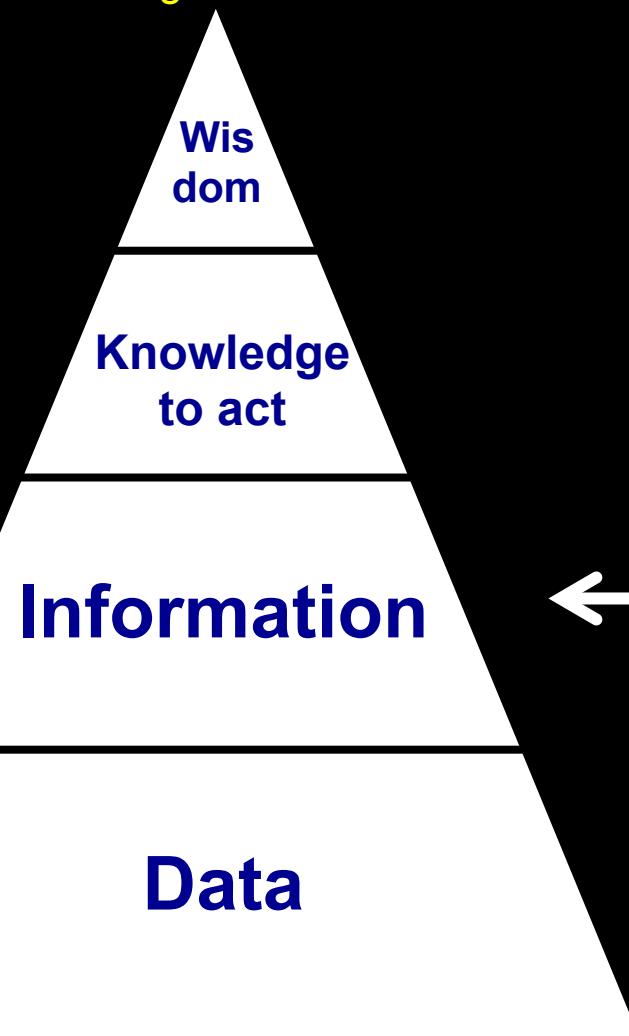
- Big Bugs Bunny can be on multiple servers on the Internet.
- Movie may need processing / recoding to get to 4K for Tiled Display.
- Needs deterministic Green infrastructure for Quality of Experience.
- Consumer / Scientist does not want to know the underlying details.
→ His refrigerator also just works!



Layers

Doing Science

ICT to enable Science

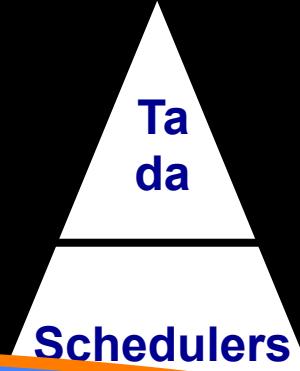


The Big Data Challenge

Doing Science



ICT to enable Science



MAGIC DATA CARPET

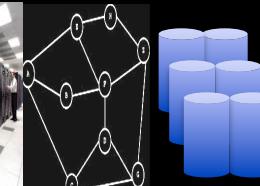
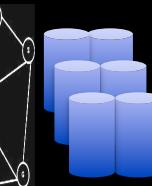
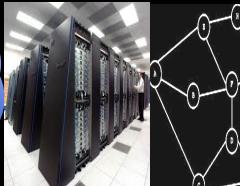
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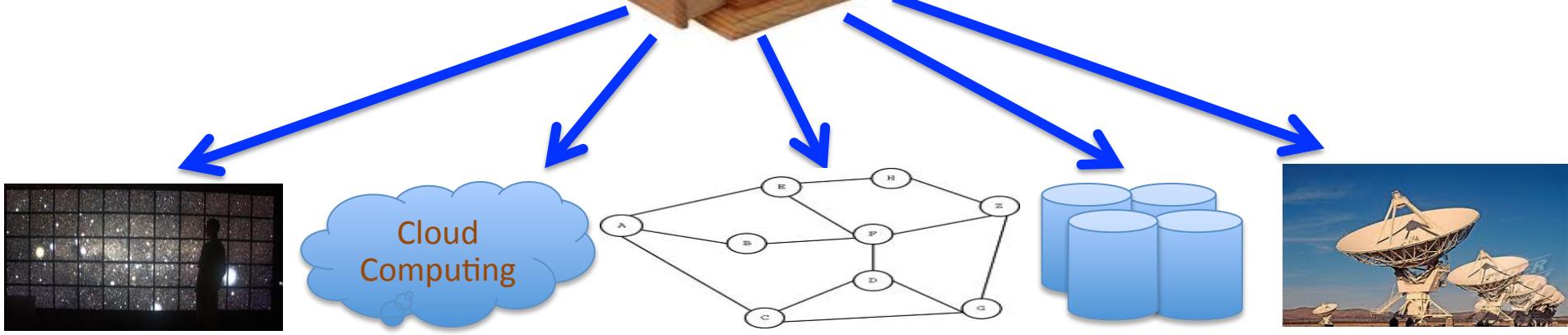
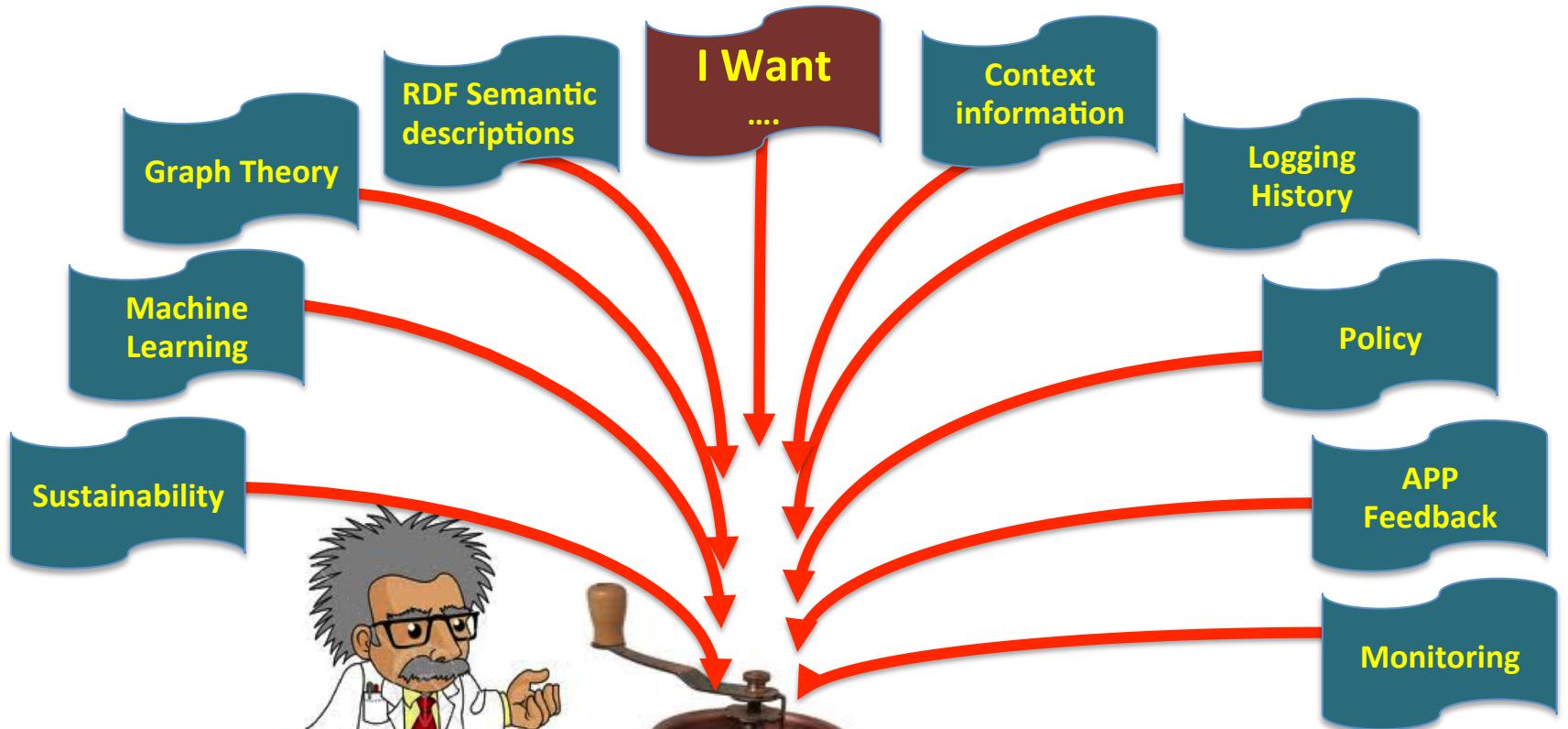
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Science

Data

XML, RDF, rSpec,
text, Java based, etc.





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- Latest from Bangkok
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What's behind Thailand's political crisis?

A state of emergency, roads paralyzed with protesters, gunfire on the streets – why have things soured so badly in a nation hailed as a rising regional powerhouse?

- Understanding the turmoil
- 7 wounded in gun battle
- What does state of emergency mean?

CHILD SEX ALLEGATIONS

Woody Allen hit with abuse claims

His adopted daughter accuses the director of sex assault when



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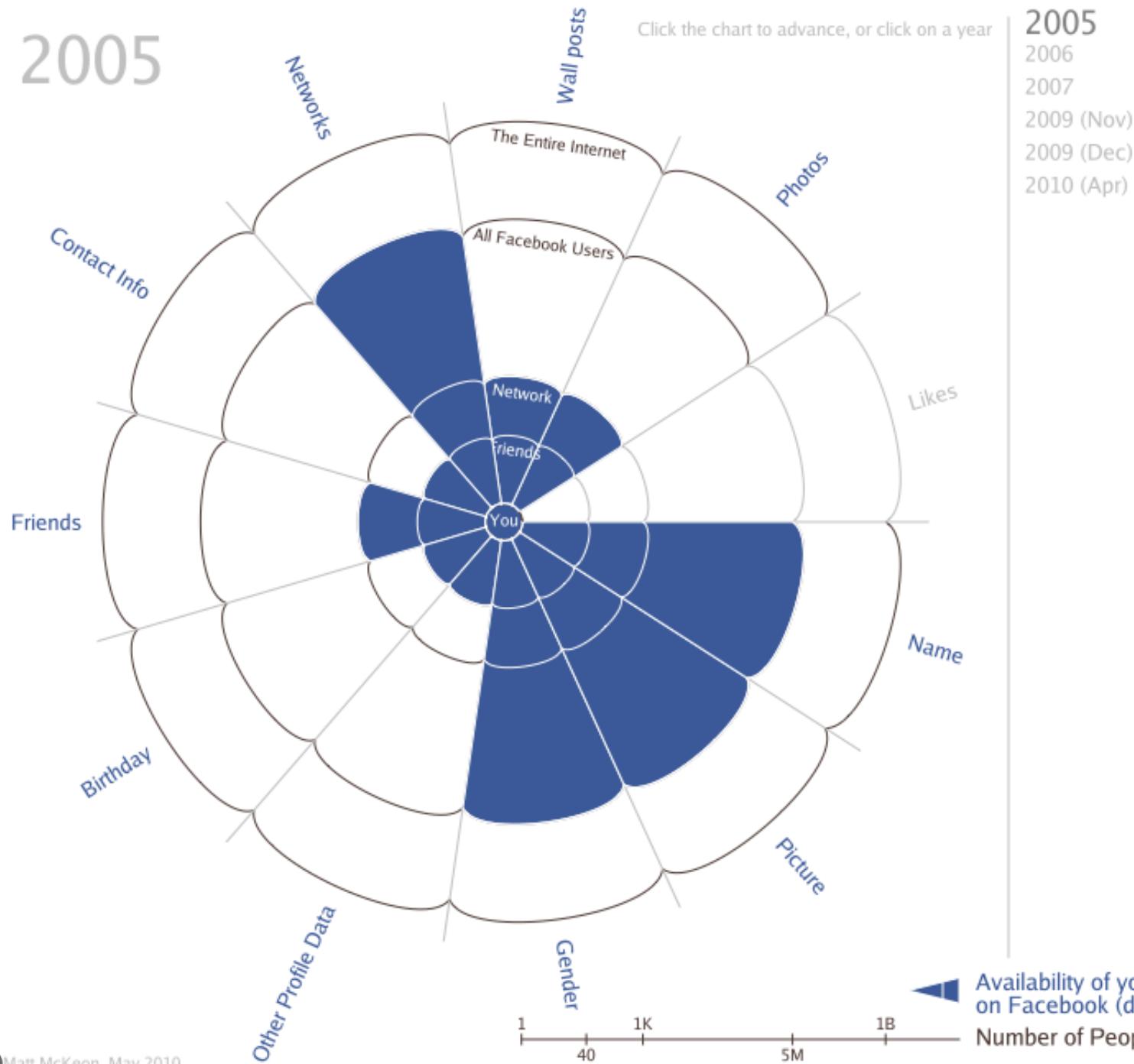
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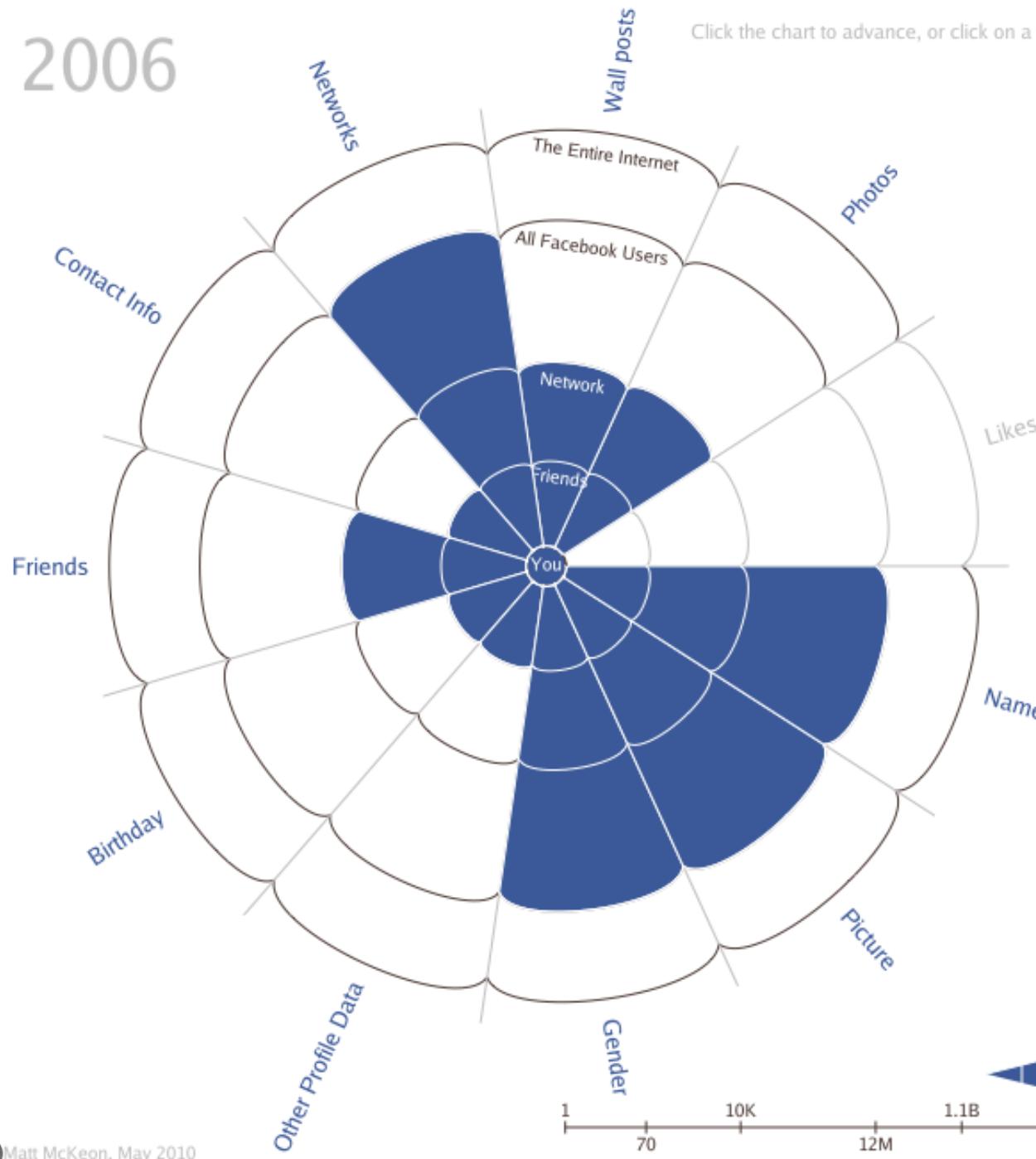
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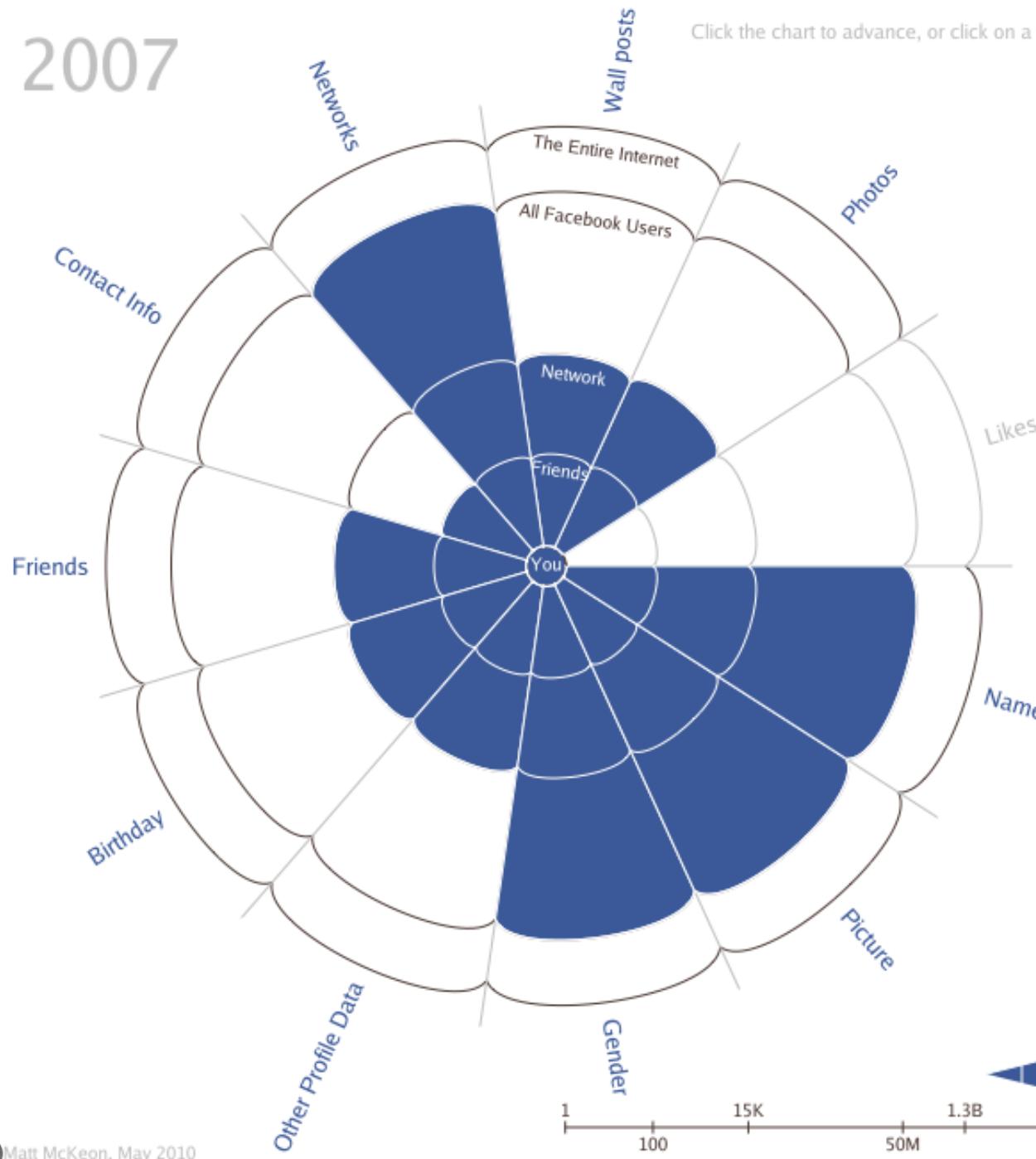
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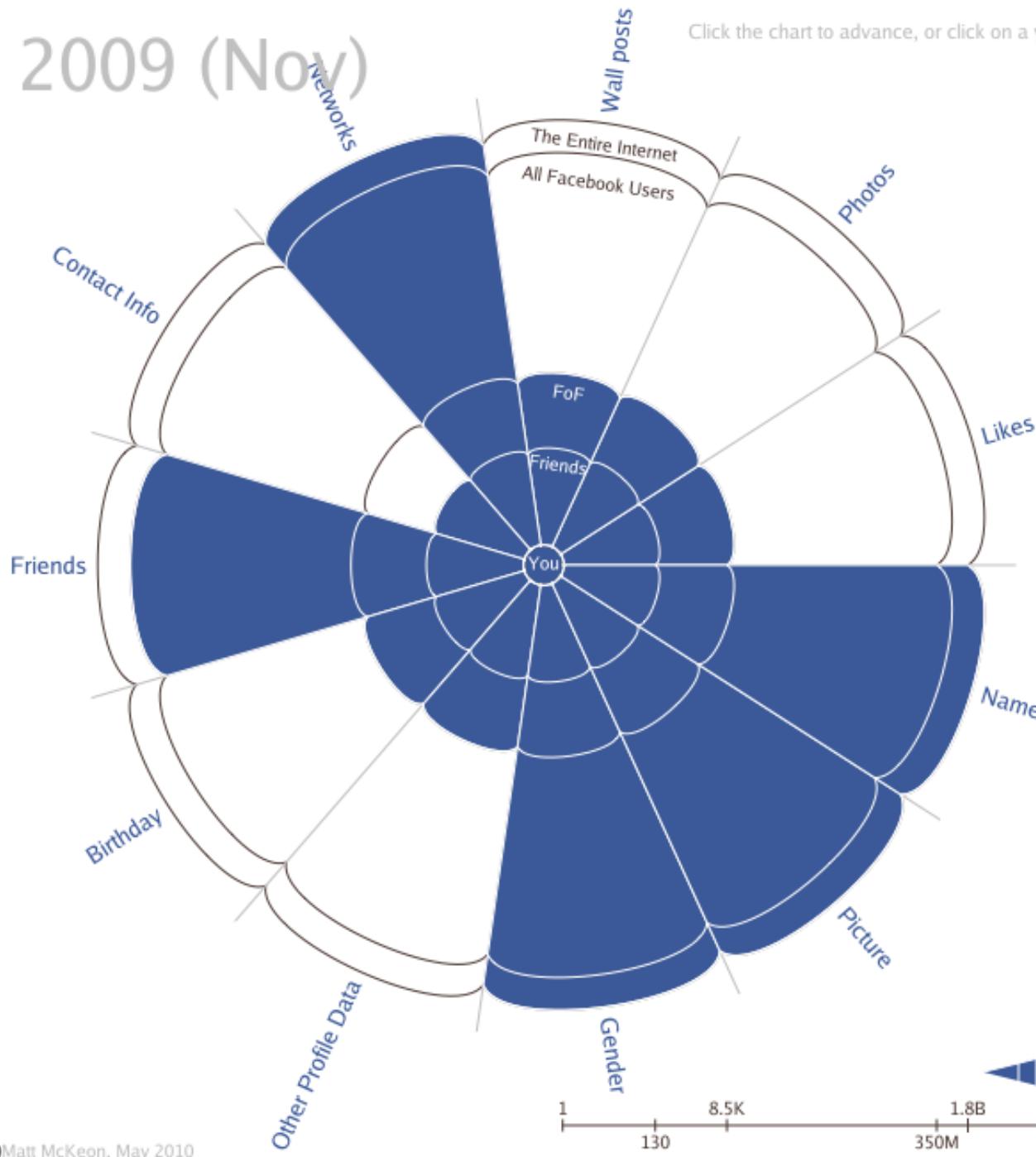
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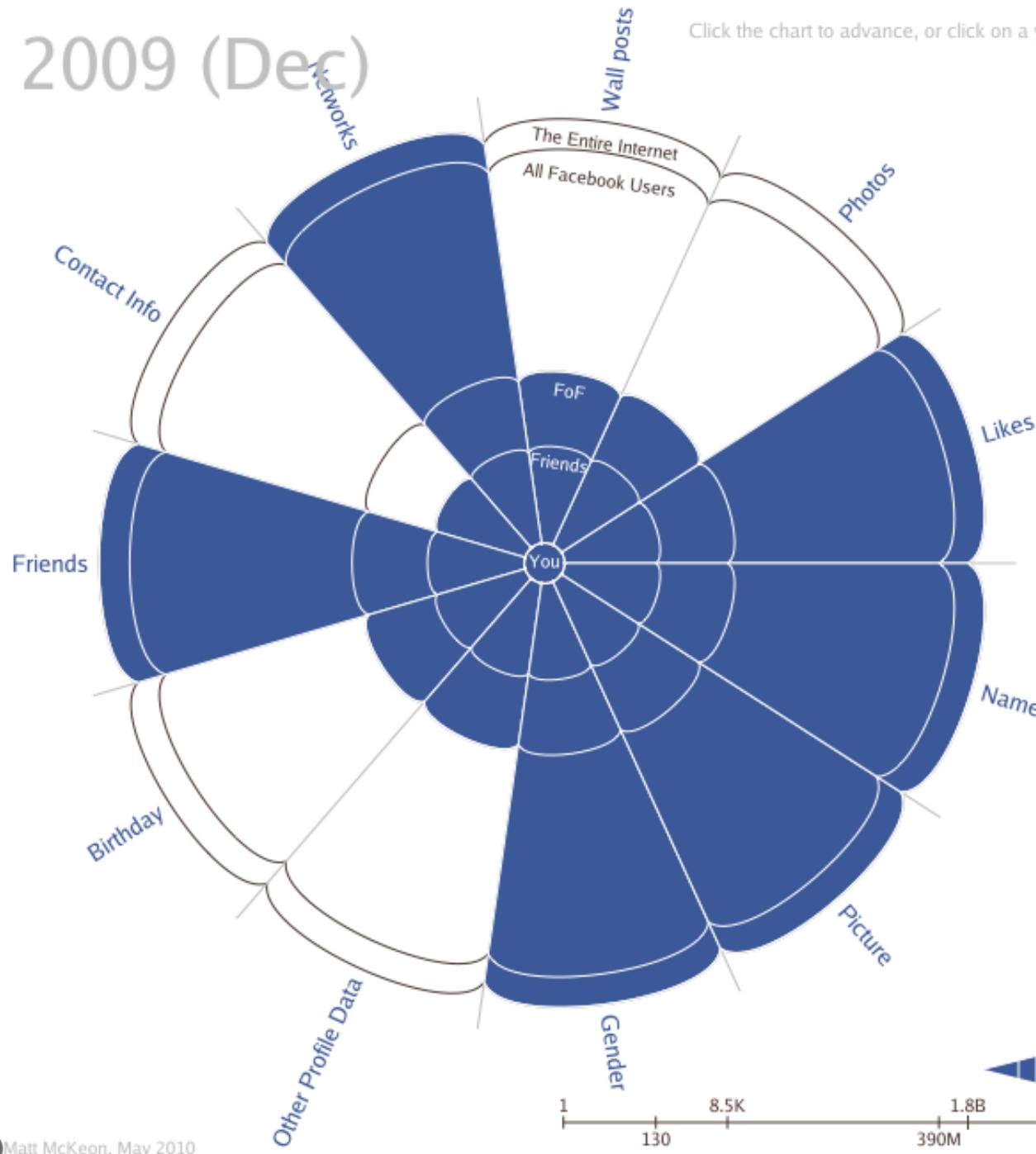
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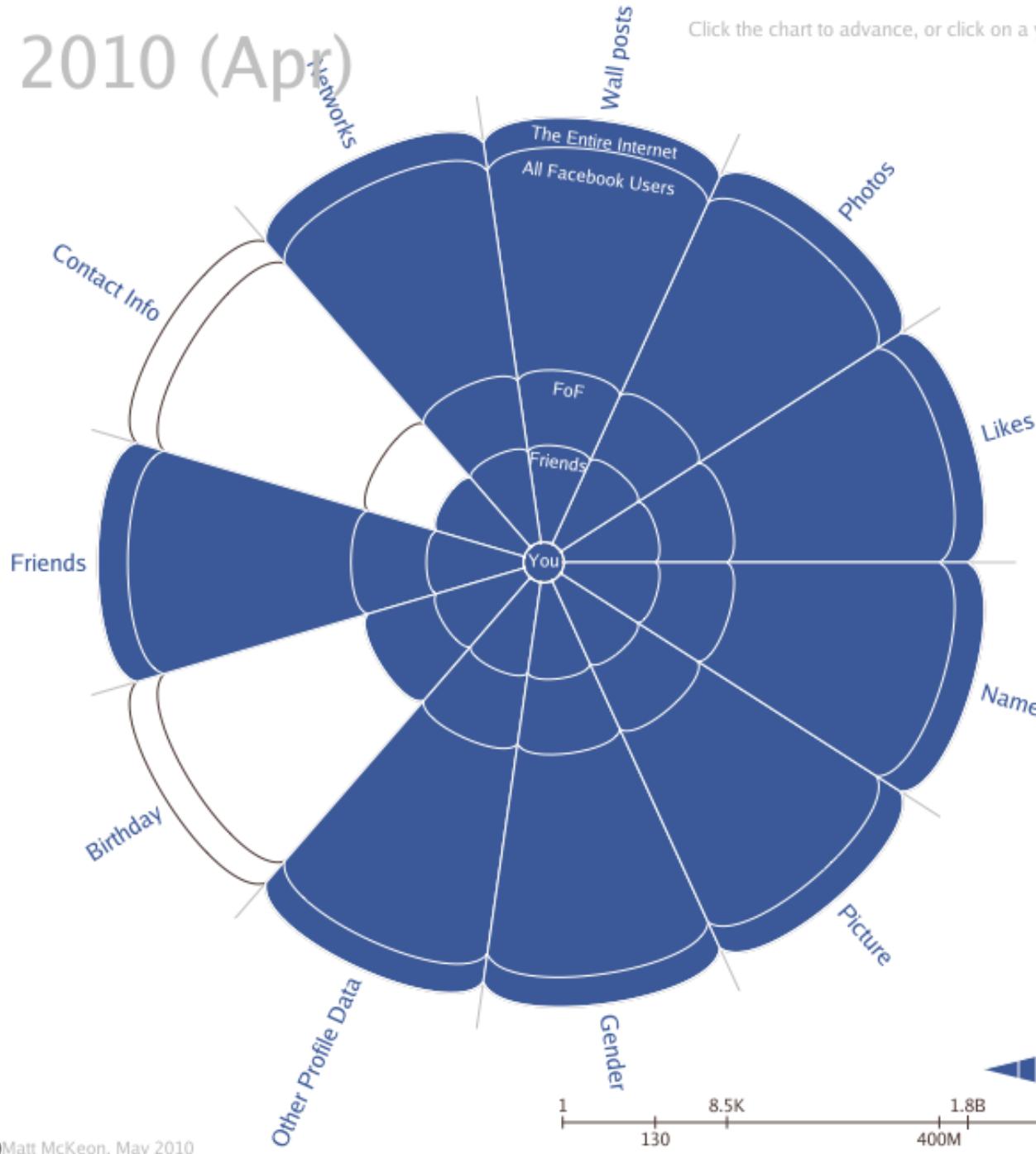


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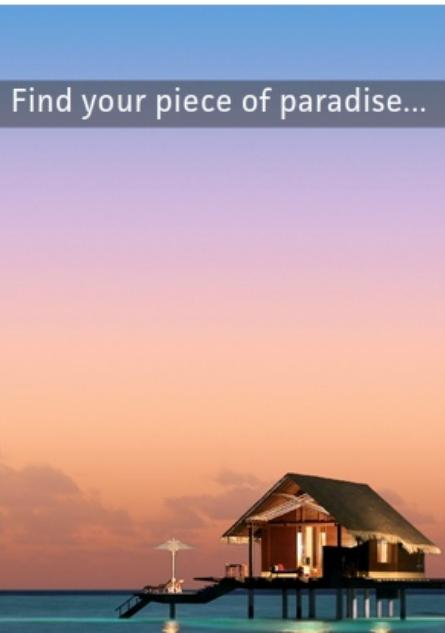


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You are Facebook's product, not customer

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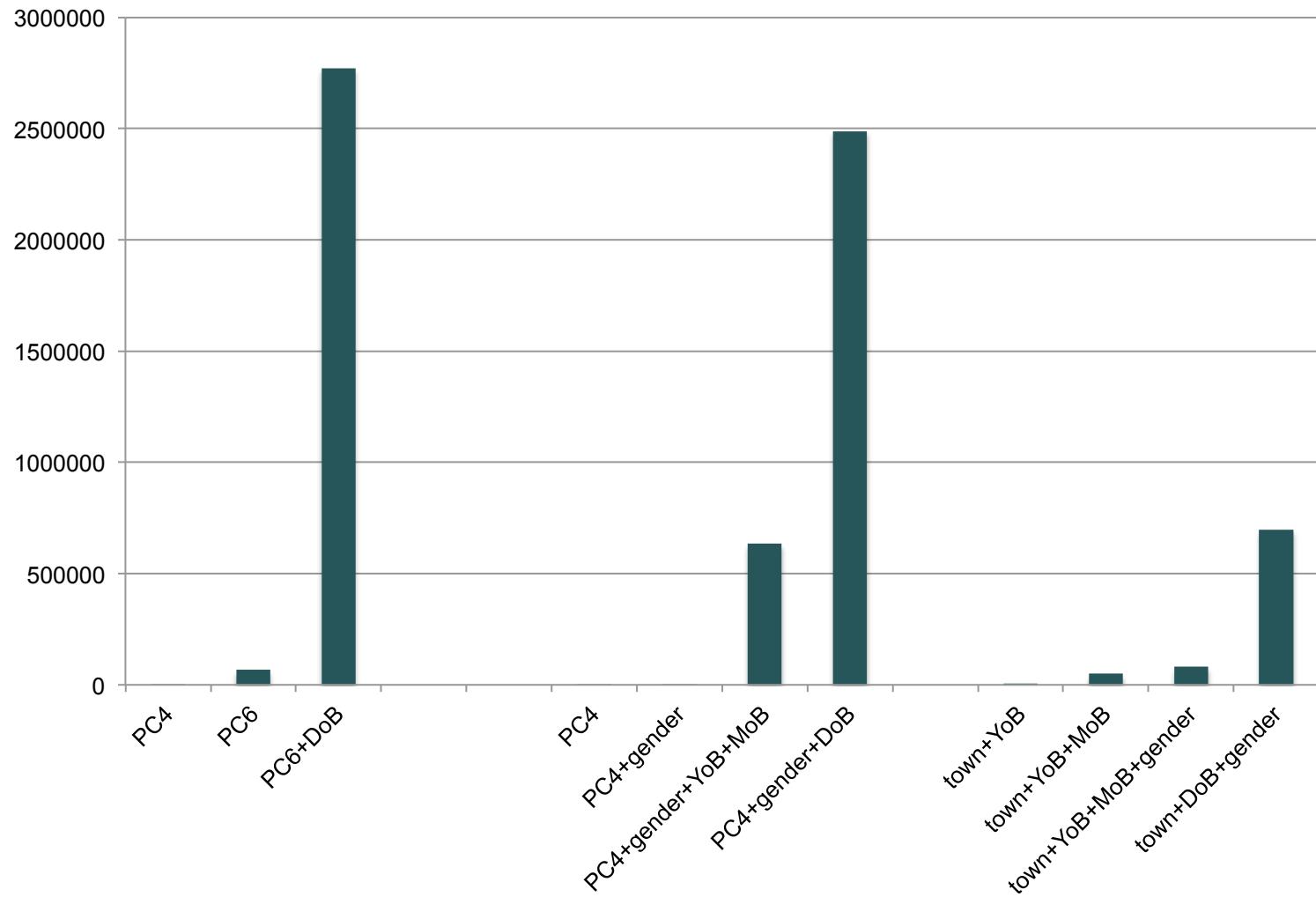


People need to understand that they are the product of Facebook and not the customer, according to media theorist and writer Douglas Rushkoff.

Speaking at the inaugural Hello Etsy conference in Berlin, the author of *Program or Be Programmed* said: "Ask a kid what Facebook is for and they'll answer 'it's there to help me make friends'. Facebook's boardroom isn't talking about how to make Johnny more friends. It's talking about how to monetise Johnny's social graph."



Thesis Matthijs Koot



Why?



Because we can!

Paper #1 + Q's

TRANSLIGHT

A GLOBAL-SCALE LAMBDA GRID FOR E-SCIENCE

This global experiment wants to see if high-end applications needing transport capacities of multiple Gbps for up to hours at a time can be handled through an optical bypass network.

Tom DeFanti, Cees de Laat, Joe Mambretti, Kees Neggers,
Bill St. Arnaud.

Communications of the ACM, Volume 46, Issue 11
(November 2003), Pages: 34 – 41.

<http://delaat.net/pubs/2003-j-6.pdf>

Paper #1 + Q's

- Q1: This article is now 10 years old. Back then Twitter did not exist. What do you think will be the drivers for network capacity demand in Science and Society 10 years from now?
- Q2: List arguments why one would use photonic networks directly in science applications and arguments why not to use photonics directly but use current Internet.
- Q3: This question is not directly from this paper but fun to figure out via search on the web: Fiber cable systems under the ocean are very expensive and cost 100's of millions to put in place. How many fibers do they put in one cable and why that amount?

Paper #2 + Q's

A distributed topology information system for optical networks based on the semantic web.

Jeroen van der Ham, Freek Dijkstra, Paola Grosso,
Ronald van der Pol, Andree Toonk, Cees de Laat

Elsevier Journal on Optical Switching and Networking, Volume 5, Issues 2-3, June 2008, pp 85-93.

<http://delaat.net/pubs/2008-j-4.pdf>

Paper #2 + Q's

- Q1: Suppose this method of describing networks is a total worldwide success and allows to find superfast networking paths through the CI (CyberInfrastructure). The question becomes: Does it scale? Can you find reasons why and/or why not it could scale up to the size of the internet?
- Q2: Are the described methods and framework fault tolerant? If not, then list the issues in your view. What do you see best ways to do something about it.
- Q3: List advantages of NDL, or more generically, using semantic web methods for describing cyber infrastructure?

The constant factor in our field is Change!

The 50 years it took Physicists to find one particle, the Higgs,
we came from:

“Fortran goto”, Unix, c, SmallTalk, DECnet, TCP/IP, c++,
Internet, WWW, Semantic Web, Photonic networks, Google,
grid, cloud, Data^{^3}, App

to:

DDOS attacks destroying Banks and Bitcoins.

Conclusion:

Need for Safe, Smart, Resilient Sustainable Infrastructure.