

From Physics to Daily Life: Grid and Cloud

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To find the Higgs you need 3 things

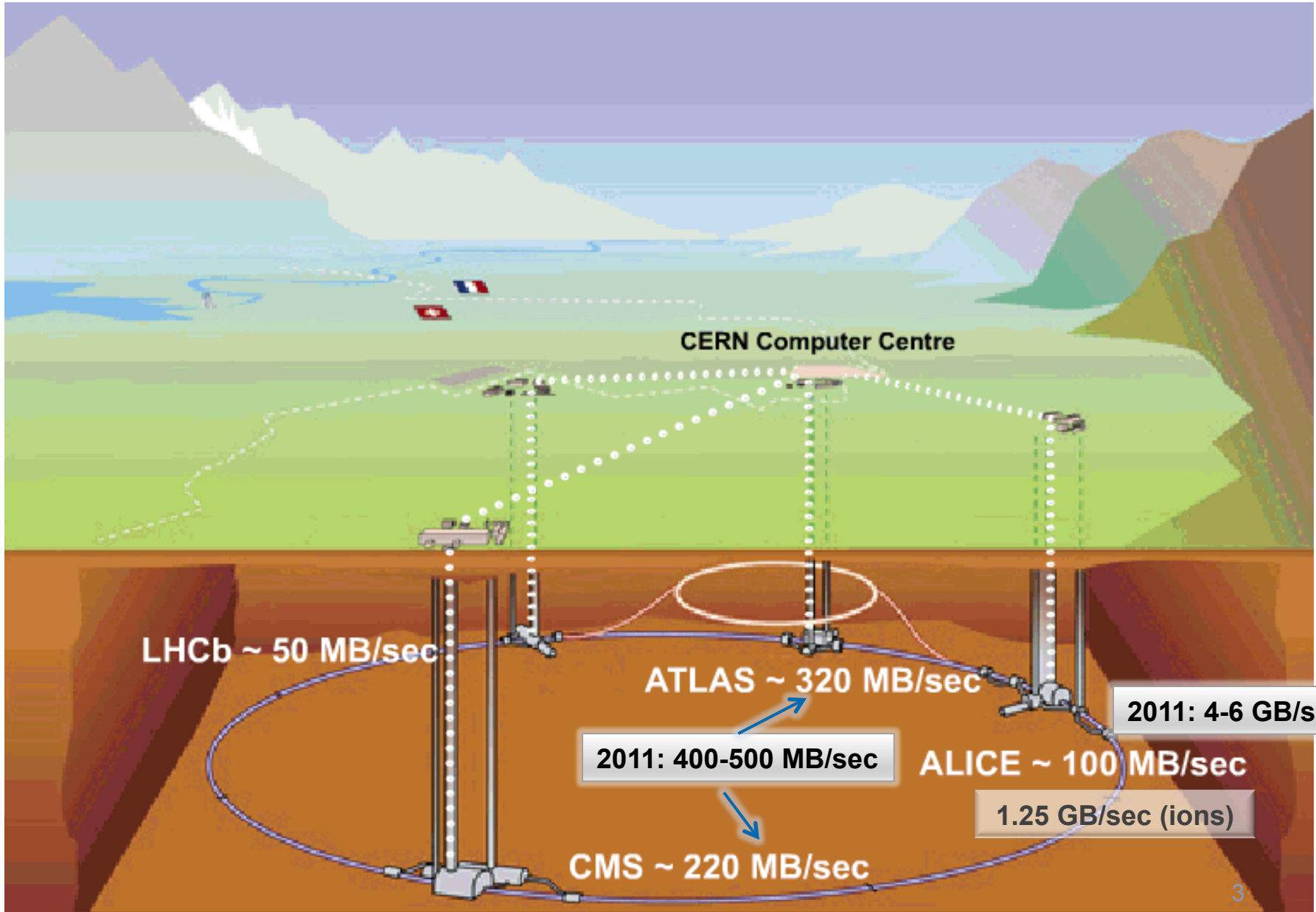
- The Accelerator**
- The Experiments**
- The GRID**



Rolf-Dieter Heuer, DG, CERN, July 4 2012

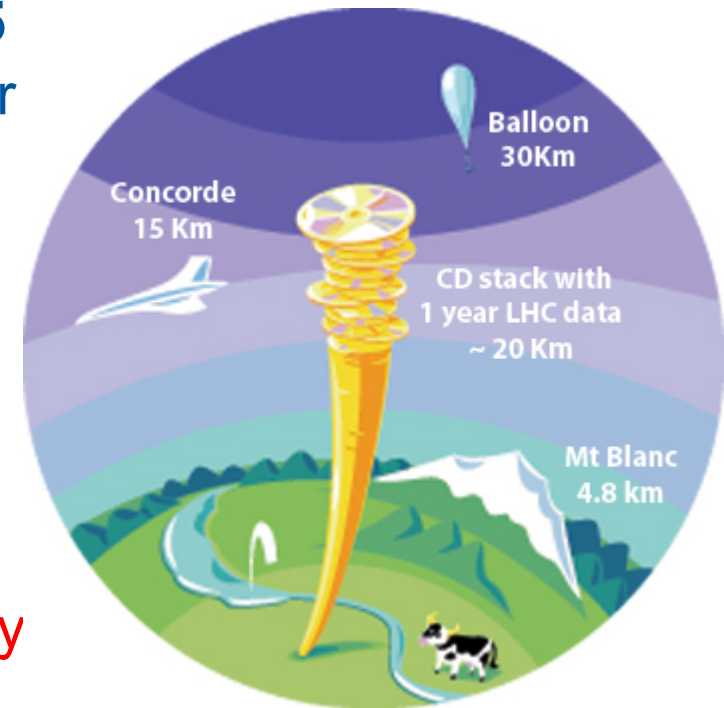


Data Acquisition, First pass reconstruction, Storage & Distribution



The LHC Data Challenge

- The accelerator will run for more than 20 years
- Experiments are producing about **25 Million Gigabytes** of data each year (about 1000 years of DVD movies!)
- LHC data analysis requires a computing power equivalent to **~100,000 of today's fastest PC processors**
- Requires many cooperating computer centres, as CERN can **only** provide **~15% of the capacity**



Solution: the Grid

Use the Grid to unite computing resources of particle physics institutes around the world

The **World Wide Web** provides seamless access to information that is stored in many millions of different geographical locations

The **Grid** is an infrastructure that provides seamless access to computing power and data storage capacity distributed over the globe



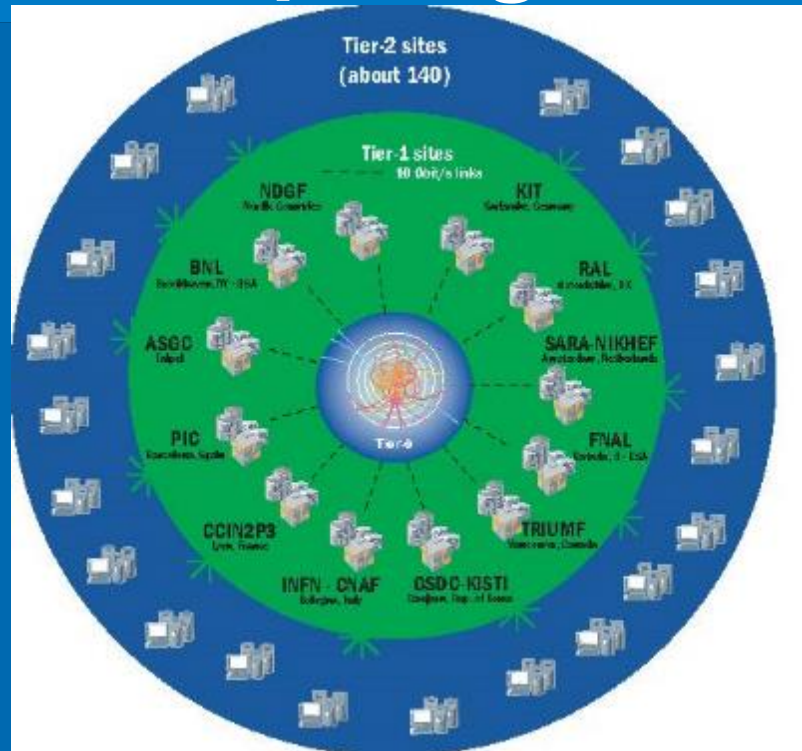
The Worldwide LHC Computing Grid

A distributed computing infrastructure to provide the production and analysis environments for the LHC experiments

Managed and operated by a worldwide collaboration between the experiments and the participating computer centres

The resources are distributed – for funding and sociological reasons

Our task was to make use of the resources available to us – no matter where they are located



Tier-0 (CERN):

- Data recording
- Initial data reconstruction
- Data distribution

Tier-1 (12 centres + Russia):

- Permanent storage
- Re-processing
- Analysis

Tier-2 (~140 centres):

- Simulation
- End-user analysis

- ~ 160 sites, 35 countries
- 300000 cores
- 200 PB of storage
- 2 Million jobs/day
- 10+ Gbps links

WLCG video



http://ml-server01.cern.ch/files/DataDeluge/06%20Data%20Deluge%20Tier%20Map%20001_201402101634086093.mp4



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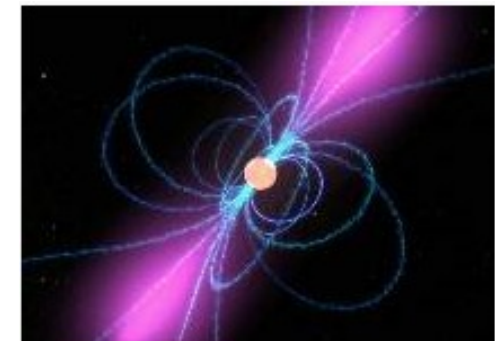
Broader Impact of the LHC Computing Grid

Grid has benefited the wider scientific community

- Europe (EC FP7):
 - Enabling Grids for E-science (EGEE) 2004-2010
 - European Grid Infrastructure (EGI) 2010--
- USA (NSF):
 - Open Science Grid (OSG)
- Asia:
 - Japan, Korea, Taiwan etc.

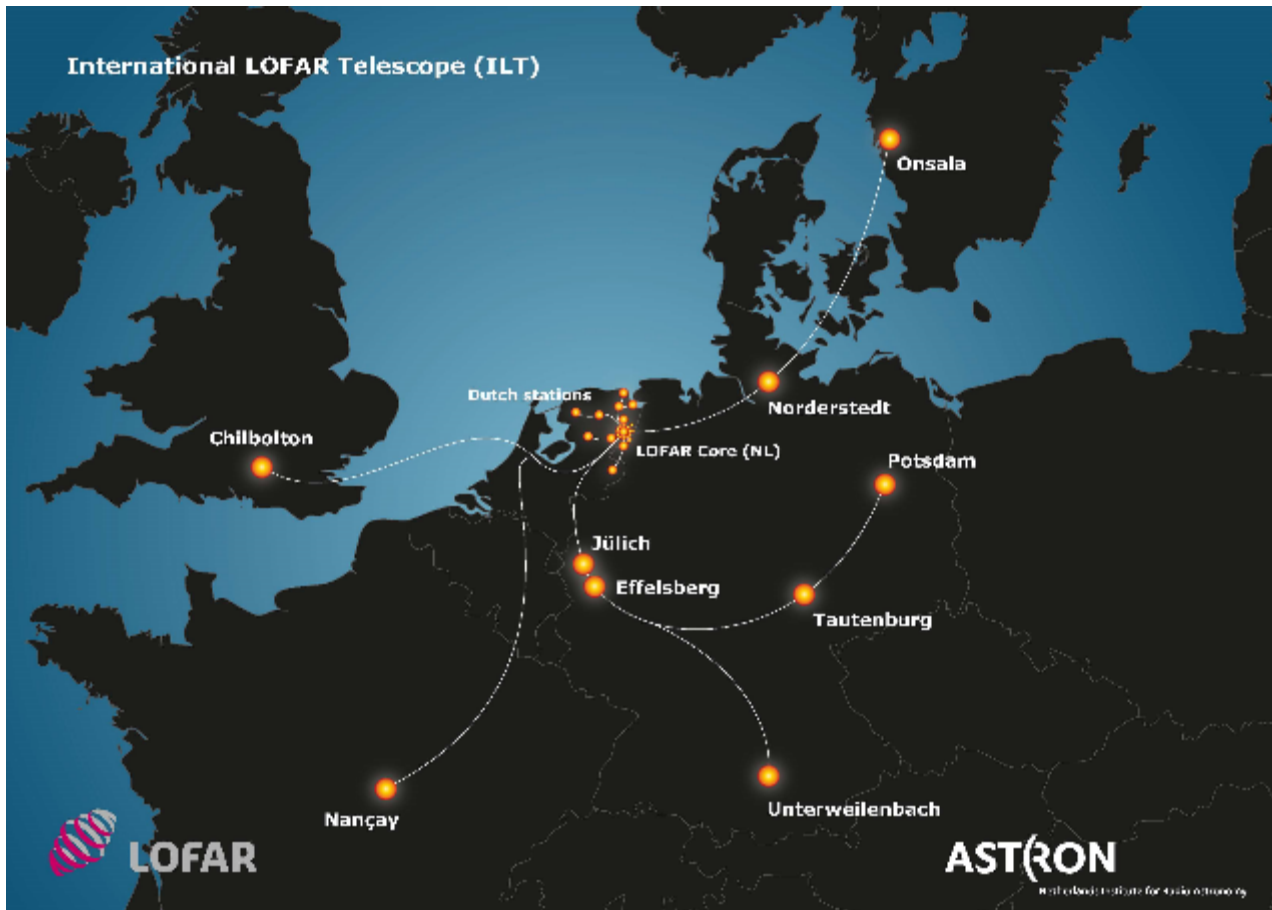
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Helping astronomers find pulsars



Clouds of charged particles move along the pulsar's magnetic field lines (blue) and create a lighthouse-like beam of gamma rays (purple).

(Image: NASA via wikicommons)



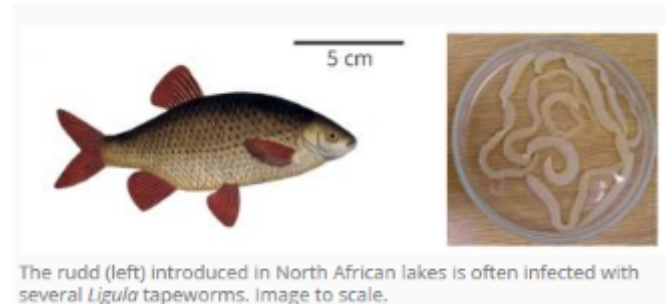
Low-Frequency Array for radio astronomy

Correlate data from millions of calculations to unveil the rock structure of an oil field under the North Sea



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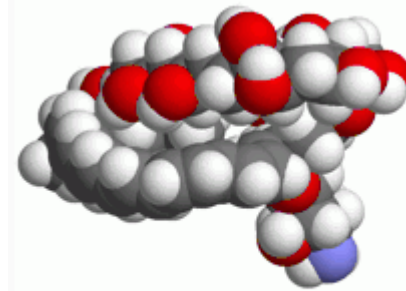
Trace the tapeworms infecting Northern African fish back to Europe



The rudd (left) introduced in North African lakes is often infected with several *Ligula* tapeworms. Image to scale.

W. Bouzid, J. Štefka et al. (2013)
 Pathways of cryptic invasion in a fish parasite traced using coalescent analysis and epidemiological survey.
Biological Invasions

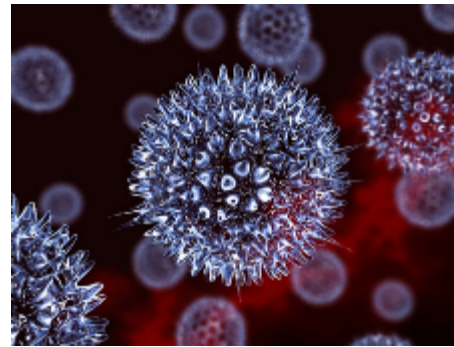
Designing better antibiotics



Three-dimensional model of the Amphotericin B molecule. (Source: wikicommons)

A. Neumann, M. Baginski and J. Czub. 2010. How Do Sterols Determine the Antifungal Activity of Amphotericin B? Free Energy of Binding between the Drug and Its Membrane Targets. *Journal of the American Chemistry Society*, 132: 18266–18272. doi:10.1021/ja1074344 (abstract)

Hunting for viruses



L van der Hoek et al. (2004) Identification of a new human coronavirus. *Nat Med* 10: 368–373.

Tracking a biomarker for Alzheimer's disease

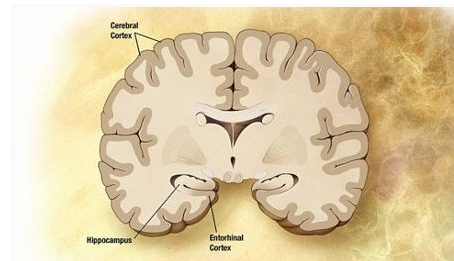


Illustration showing a brain at the preclinical stage of Alzheimer's disease, highlighting the location of the hippocampus.

Cover, K.S., et al. (2013) A standard benchmark for assessing the reproducibility of brain atrophy measures in Alzheimer's using the ADNI1 data set. Poster presented at the AACC 2013 in Boston, MA.



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is playing a leading role in the world's biggest scientific experiment the Large Hadron Collider at CERN in Geneva - recreating the conditions that existed a trillionth of a second after the beginning of the Universe.

- **SMEs**

- NICE (Italy) & GridWisetech (Poland): develop services on open source middleware for deployment on customer in-house IT infrastructure
- OpenPlast project – (France) Develop and deploy Grid platform for plastics industry
- Imense Ltd (UK) - Ported gLite application and GridPP sites



- **Energy**

- TOTAL, UK - Ported application using GILDA testbed
- CGGVeritas (France) – manages in-house IT infrastructures and sells services to petrochemical industry



- **Automotive**

- DataMat (Italy) – Provides grid services to automotive industry



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Middleware Technology



Middleware is a "glue" software that pools together various computing resources to create the Grid. It allows users to securely access the integrated computing and storage resources of in a way similar to accessing an enormous virtual computer. EGEE develops and deploys a middleware distribution called gLite (pronounced "gee-lite"). gLite is a result of collaborative efforts of more than 80 people in 12 different academic and industrial research centers as part of the EGEE Project. gLite provides a framework for building grid applications tapping into the power of distributed computing and storage resources across the Internet.

The gLite middleware stack provides the user both with foundation level and higher level services. Foundation level services ensure security, resource access and systems to monitor grid activity. These provide the basis for a consistent and dependable production infrastructure. Higher level services provided by gLite include job management, data catalogues and data replication, providing applications with the tools to build end-to-end solutions. Other third party projects complete a rich ecosystem built on the gLite foundation services.

Constellation Technologies will be developing cloud computing solutions for the next generation of Internet based on gLite.

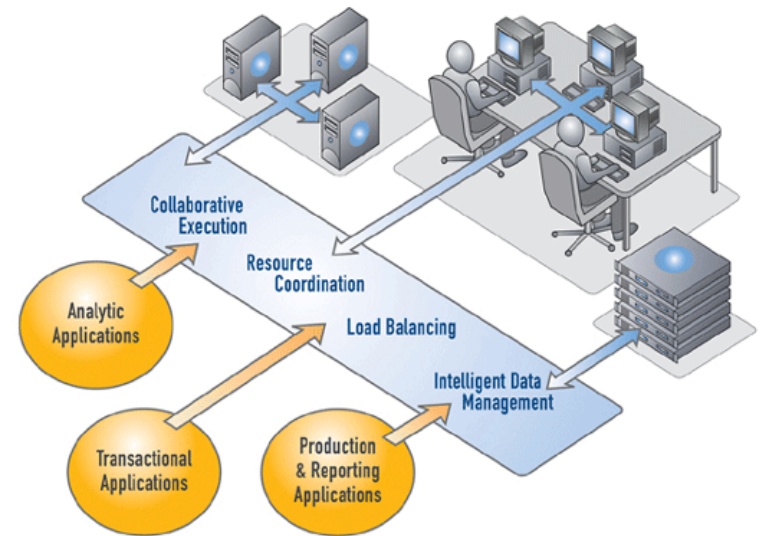
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Commercial distributed computing platform

Digipede offers a distributed computing platform based on Microsoft .NET to customers in a range of business sectors:

- Financial services
- Life Sciences
- Energy
- Entertainment
- Manufacturing



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CERN openlab in a nutshell

- A science – industry partnership to drive R&D and innovation with over a decade of success
- Evaluate state-of-the-art technologies in a challenging environment and improve them
- Test in a research environment today what will be used in many business sectors tomorrow
- Train next generation of engineers/employees
- Disseminate results and outreach to new audiences

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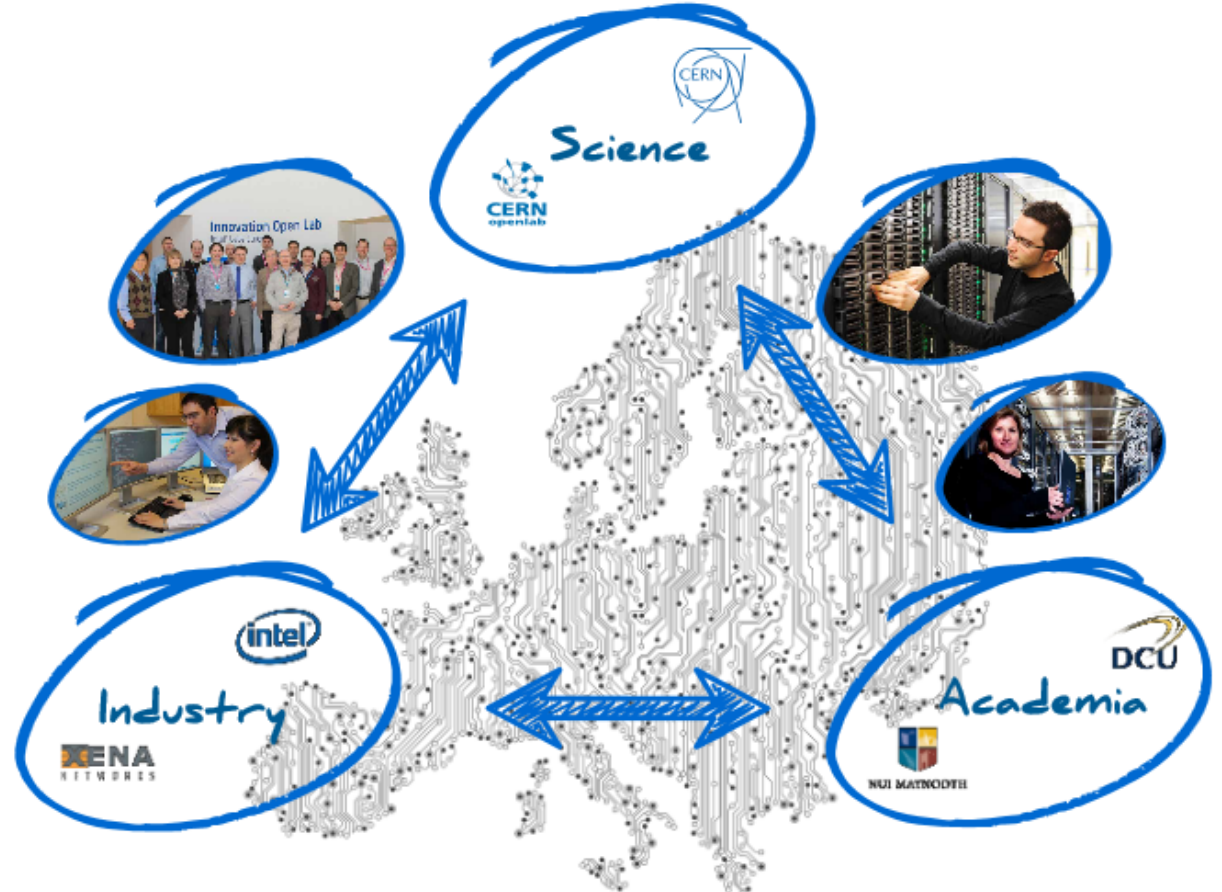
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ICE-DIP 2013-2017: The Intel-CERN European Doctorate Industrial Program

» A public-private partnership to research solutions for next generation data acquisition networks, offering research training to five Early Stage Researchers in ICT



Research topics:

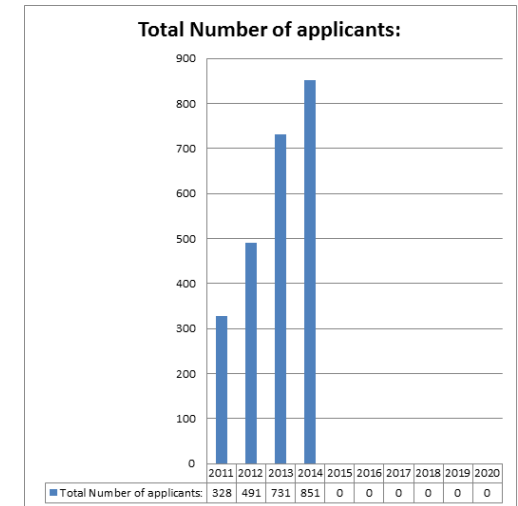
- ▶ Silicon photonics systems
- ▶ Next generation data acquisition networks
- ▶ High speed configurable logic
- ▶ Computing solutions for high performance data filtering



Summer Student Program

6 week residential work/study programme hosted at CERN

- 720+ applicants (2013)
- 22 selected candidates
- 13 lectures (including external labs)
- Student lightning talks session
- 22 technical reports



Where do we go next?



(terafraleyp photography)

Evolution of Computing requirements

Higher trigger (data) rates driven by physics needs

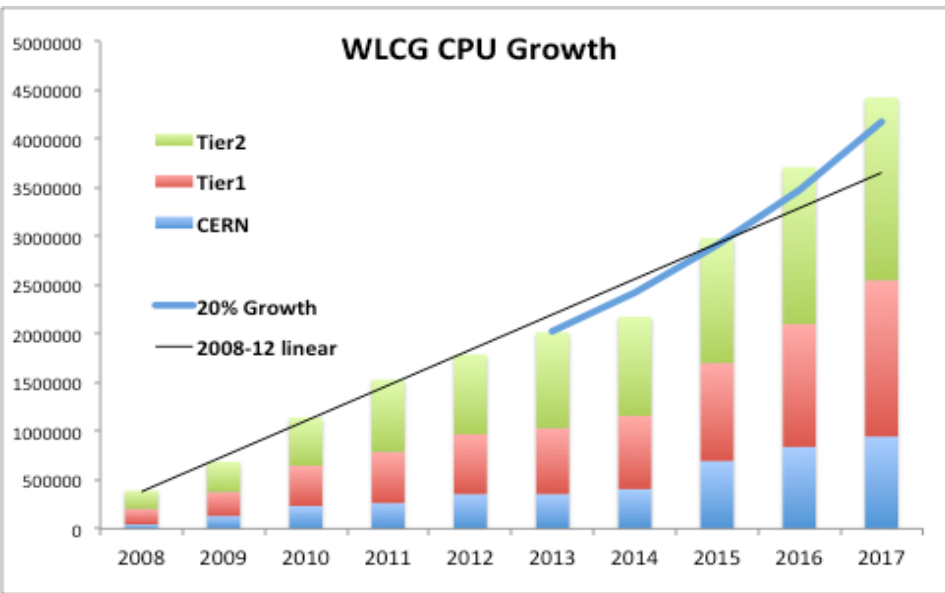
Based on understanding of likely LHC parameters;

Foreseen technology evolution (CPU, disk, tape)

Experiments work hard to fit within constant budget scenario

Estimated evolution of requirements 2015-2017

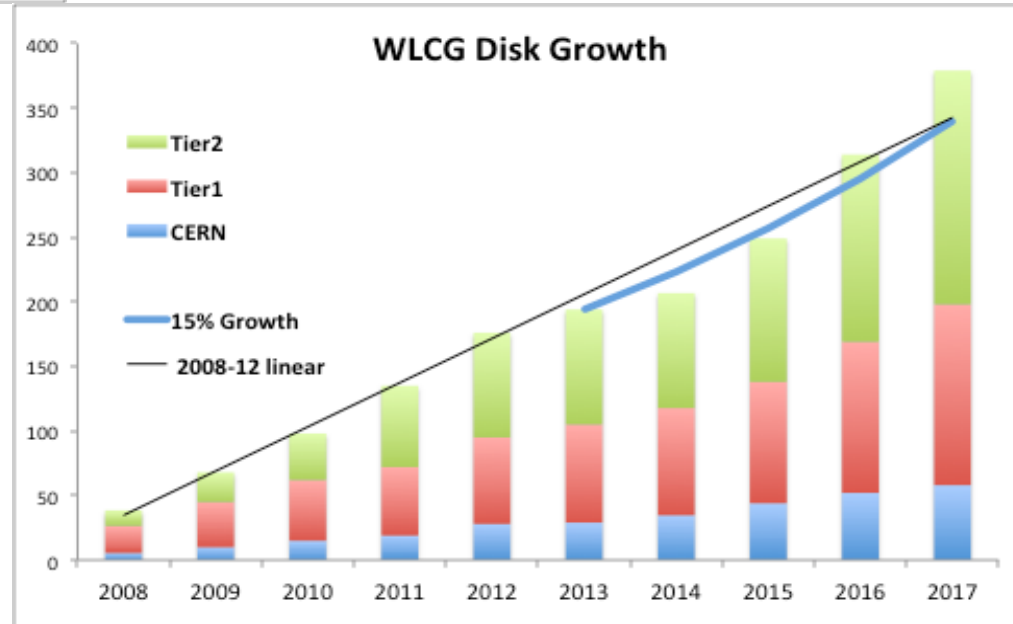
2008-2013: Actual deployed capacity



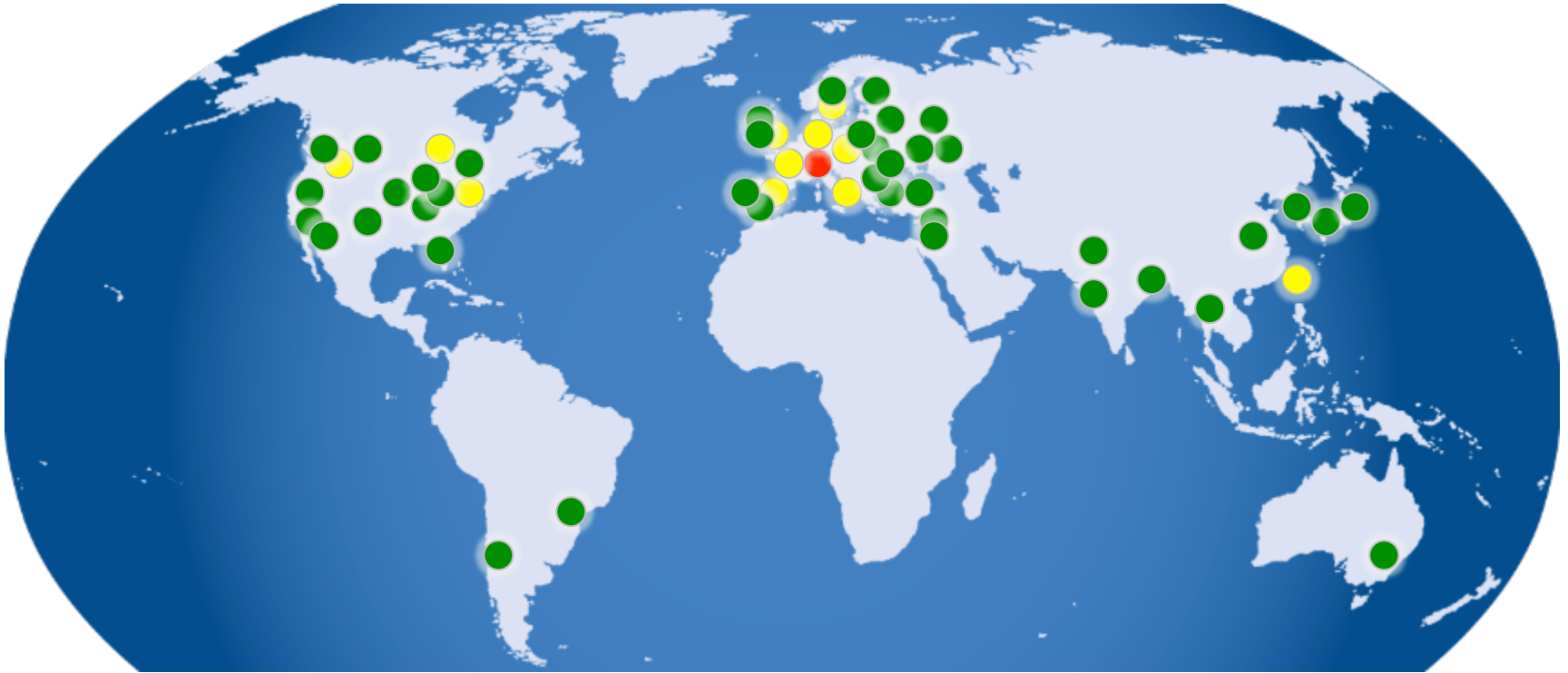
Line: extrapolation of 2008-2012 actual resources

Curves: expected potential growth of technology with a constant budget

- CPU: 20% yearly growth
- Disk: 15% yearly growth



From grids to clouds



Expand the grid so it is:

- More efficient & powerful
- More open - engage public & commercial service providers



May 2014: A European cloud computing partnership: big science teams up with big business



Strategic Plan

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



To support the computing capacity needs for the ATLAS experiment



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



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



To improve the speed and quality of research for finding surrogate biomarkers based on brain images

Suppliers



Adopters



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Helix Nebula Marketplace

a step towards

federated information as a service



Future IT Challenges

CERN openlab publishes a whitepaper on future IT challenges in scientific research

22 May 2014

Geneva, 22 May 2014. CERN openlab¹, the public-private partnership between CERN², leading IT companies and research institutes, released today a whitepaper on future IT challenges in scientific research to shape its upcoming three-year phase starting in 2015.

96% of our universe is still unknown and the challenges ahead for the scientific community are striking. More than ever, computing plays a critical role in helping uncover our universe's mysteries. Scientific research has seen a dramatic rise in the amount and rate of production of data collected by instruments, detectors and sensors in the recent years. The LHC detectors at CERN produce a staggering one petabyte of data per second, a figure that will increase during the next LHC run starting in 2015. New international research infrastructures are being deployed and are expected to produce comparable—or even greater—amounts of data in various scientific domains, such as neurology, radio astronomy or genetics, and with instruments as diverse as Earth observation satellites, high-performance genomic sequencers, neutron diffractometers or X-ray antennas. More than ever, collaboration will play a vital role in enabling discoveries.

In this context, CERN openlab together with a number of European laboratories, such as EMBL-EBI, ESA, ESRF, ILL, and researchers from the Human Brain Project, as well as input from leading IT companies, have published a whitepaper defining the ambitious challenges covering the most crucial needs of IT infrastructures in domains such as data acquisition, computing platforms, data storage architectures, compute provisioning and management, networks and communication, and data analytics. A number of use cases in different scientific and technological fields are described for each of the six major areas of investigation.

Continuous collaboration between the research infrastructures and IT companies is more critical than ever to make sure scientific objectives and technological roadmaps are aligned. In the current CERN openlab phase, Huawei, Intel, Oracle, Siemens are openlab partners, while Rackspace is a contributor and Yandex an associate. This whitepaper, which results from six months of reflection among IT experts and scientists, represents an exciting context for the CERN openlab public-private partnership in the years to come. It sets the goals, the technical expertise and identifies educational programs required, providing opportunities for future collaboration among CERN, other European laboratories, international scientific projects and leading IT companies to push the limits even further in support of many more years of outstanding scientific discoveries.



Data analysis facility

- Preserve applications

- Secure remote researcher access

Secure data federation

- Federated identity

- Role based data access

Remote management of analysis facility

- Secure remote access for administration

- Isolation of roles

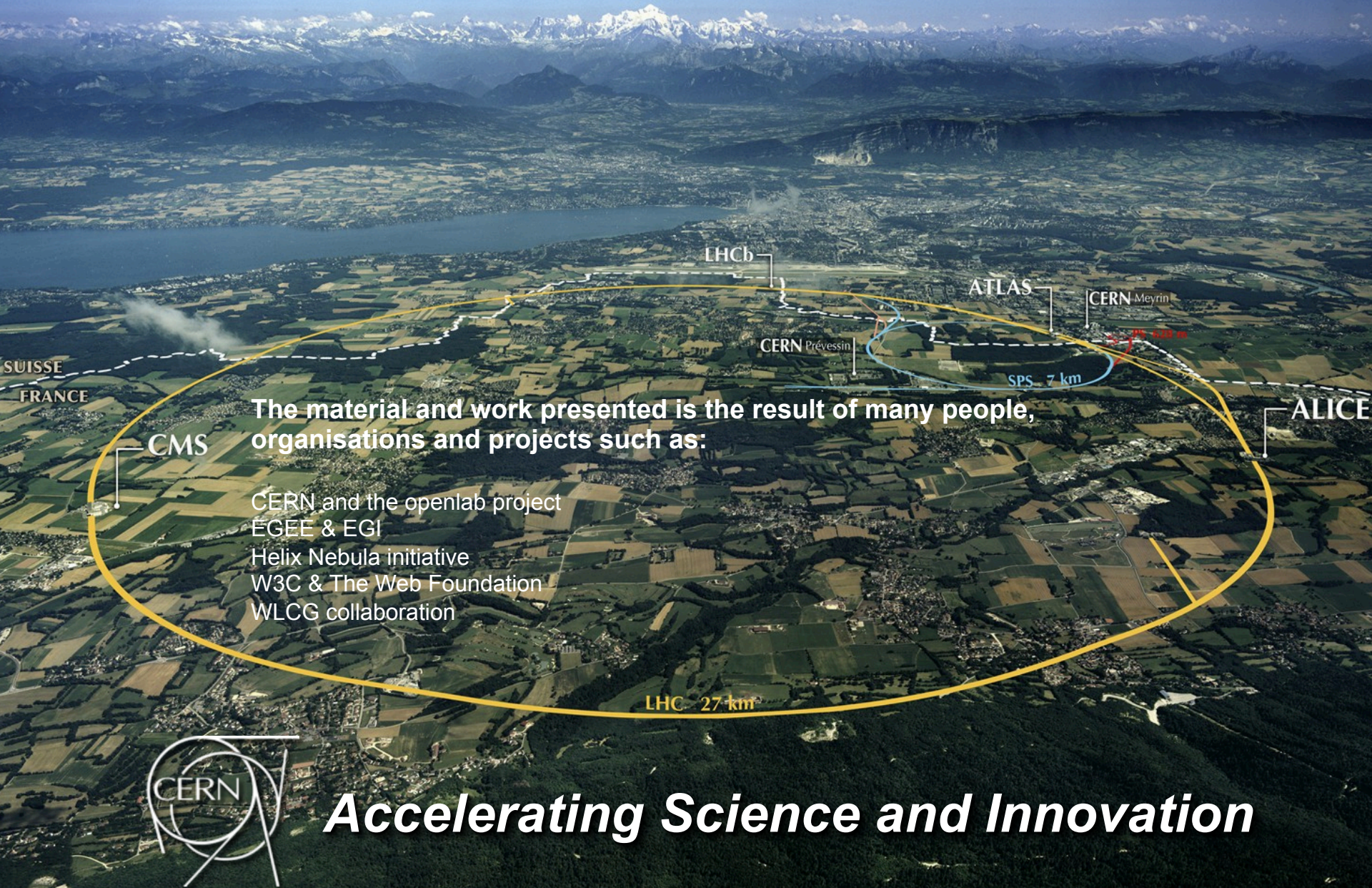
Research clouds at scale

- Elastic access to large compute resources

- Project based authentication, provisioning and resources

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Thank you for your attention



The material and work presented is the result of many people, organisations and projects such as:

- CERN and the openlab project
- EGEE & EGI
- Helix Nebula initiative
- W3C & The Web Foundation
- WLCG collaboration



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