

Building RCauth

a proxy for our federated global infrastructure

A multinational service
for federated authentication in research infrastructure
using a networked-systems integration approach




March 2023

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A 'big science' facility: the Large Hadron Collider at CERN

1964



October 11, November 11 PHYSICAL REVIEW LETTERS 19 October 1964

BROKEN SYMMETRY AND THE MASSES OF GAUGE BOSONS

Peter W. Higgs
 The Institute of Mathematical Physics, University of Edinburgh, Edinburgh, Scotland
 (Received 12 August 1964)

In a recent note¹ it was shown that the Goldstone theorem² that Lorentz-covariant field theories in which spontaneous breakdowns of symmetry under an internal Lie group occurs contain zero-mass particles, false if and only if the conserved currents associated with the internal group are coupled to gauge fields. The purpose of the present note is to report that, as a consequence of this coupling, the same masses of some of the gauge fields acquire mass; the longitudinal degrees of freedom of these particles (which would be absent if their mass were zero) go over into the Goldstone bosons when the coupling tends to zero. This phenomenon is just the relativistic analog of the plasmon phenomenon to which Anderson³ has drawn attention: that the scalar zero-mass excitations of a superconducting crystal Fermi gas become longitudinal plasmon modes of finite mass when the gas is charged.

The simplest theory which exhibits this behavior is a gauge-invariant version of a model used by Goldstone⁴ himself. The real scalar fields ϕ_1, ϕ_2 and a real vector field A_μ interact through the Lagrangian density

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu \phi_1 \partial^\mu \phi_1 + \frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu \phi_2 \partial^\mu \phi_2 - \frac{1}{2} m^2 \phi_1^2 - \frac{1}{2} m^2 \phi_2^2 - \frac{1}{2} g^2 \phi_1^2 \phi_2^2 - \frac{1}{2} g^2 \phi_1^2 \phi_2^2 - \frac{1}{2} g^2 \phi_1^2 \phi_2^2 \quad (1)$$

where

$$\partial_\mu \phi_1 \partial^\mu \phi_1 + \partial_\mu \phi_2 \partial^\mu \phi_2 - \frac{1}{2} m^2 \phi_1^2 - \frac{1}{2} m^2 \phi_2^2 - \frac{1}{2} g^2 \phi_1^2 \phi_2^2 - \frac{1}{2} g^2 \phi_1^2 \phi_2^2 - \frac{1}{2} g^2 \phi_1^2 \phi_2^2$$

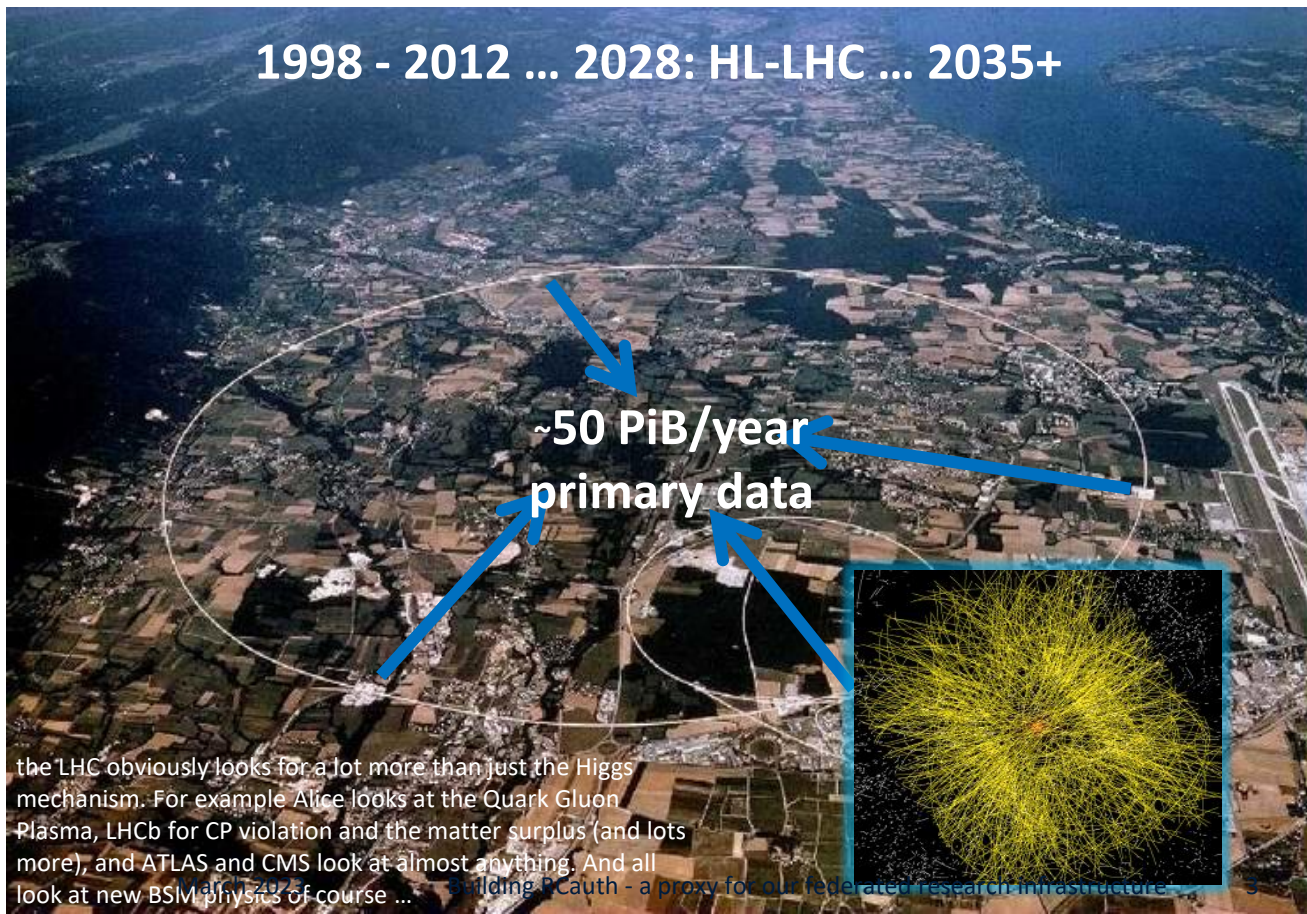
$$F_{\mu\nu}^2 = \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\mu A_\nu - \partial_\nu A_\mu)^2$$

e is a dimensionless coupling constant, and the unit is taken as $\hbar=c=1$. It is invariant under simultaneous gauge transformations of the first kind on ϕ_1, ϕ_2 and of the second kind on A_μ . Let us suppose that $\langle \phi_1 \rangle = \langle \phi_2 \rangle = 0$, $\langle A_\mu \rangle = 0$; then spontaneous breakdown of SU(2) symmetry occurs. Consider the equations derived from (1) by treating ϕ_1, ϕ_2 , and A_μ as small quantities governing the propagation of small oscillations

... the other parameters merely subsidiary data. ... the field theory into the approximation of ...

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1998 - 2012 ... 2028: HL-LHC ... 2035+

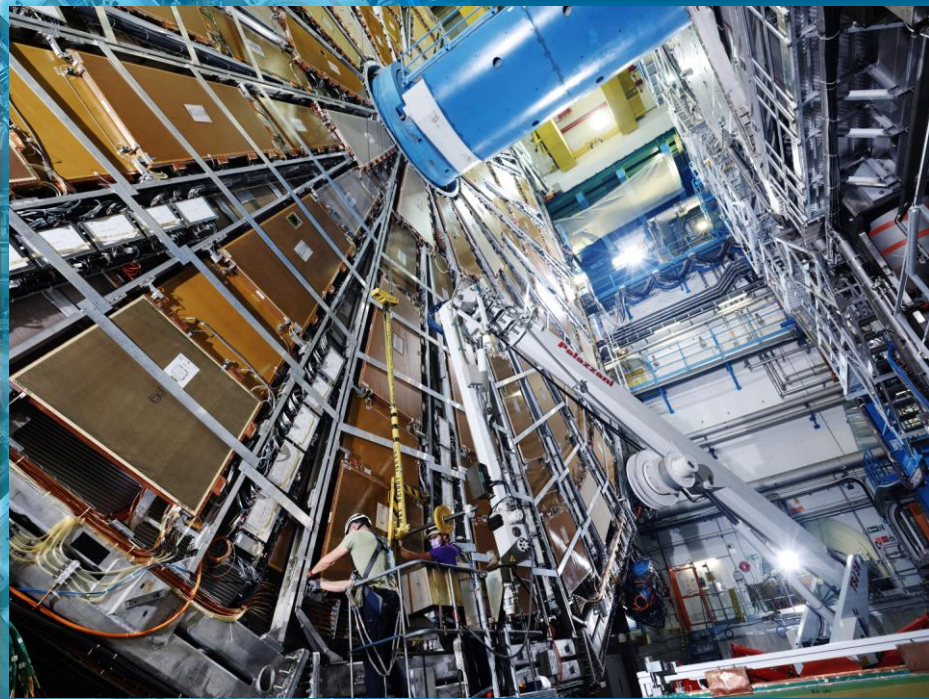
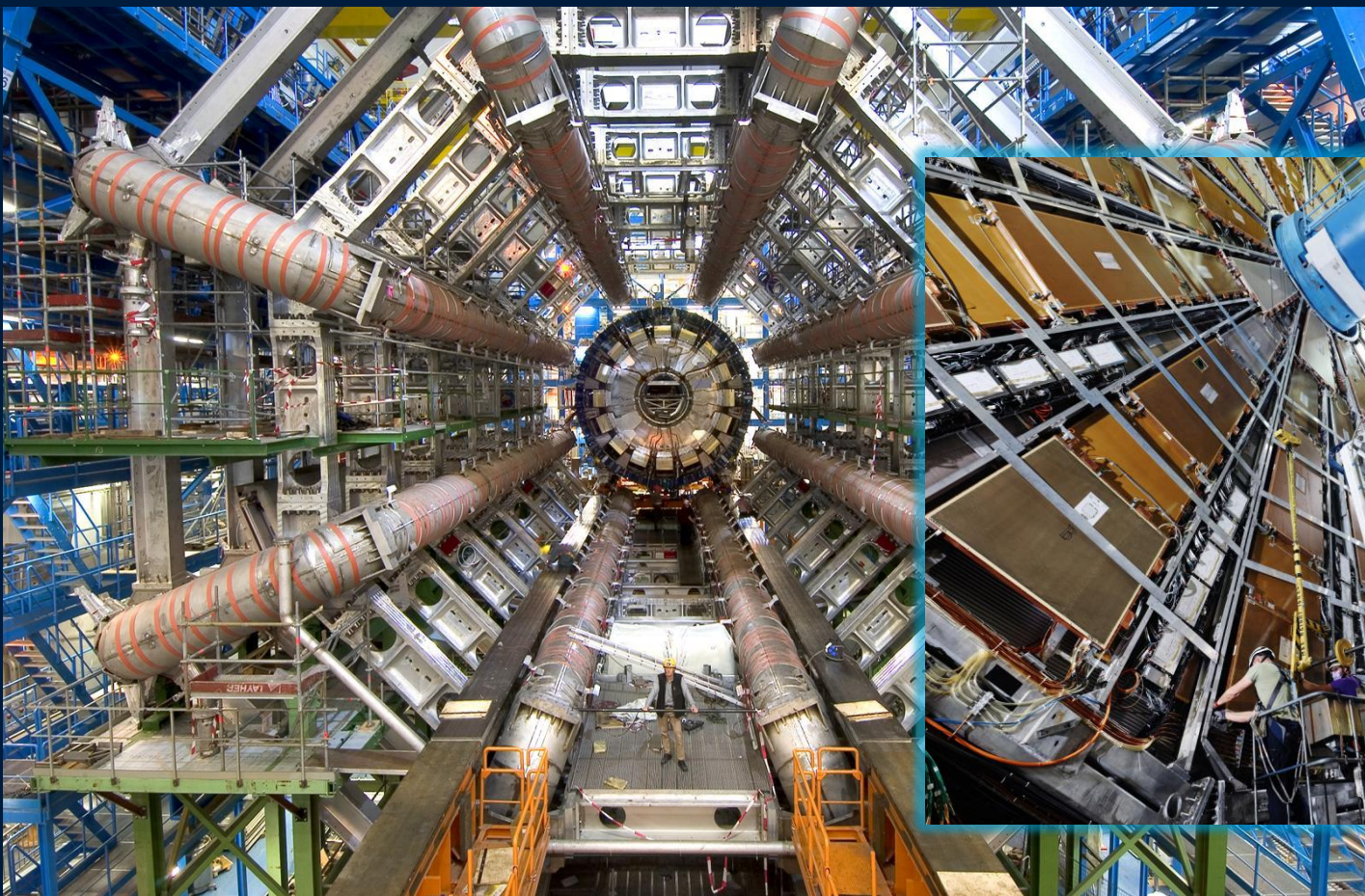


~50 PiB/year primary data

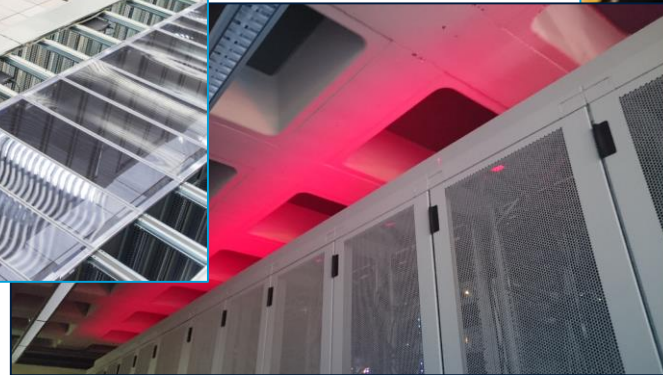
P. Higgs, Phys. Rev. Lett. 13, 508:

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the LHC obviously looks for a lot more than just the Higgs mechanism. For example Alice looks at the Quark Gluon Plasma, LHCb for CP violation and the matter surplus (and lots more), and ATLAS and CMS look at almost anything. And all look at new BSM physics of course ... Building B-Caith - a proxy for our federated research infrastructure

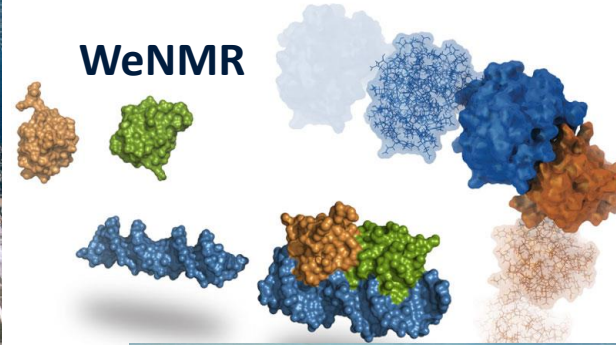
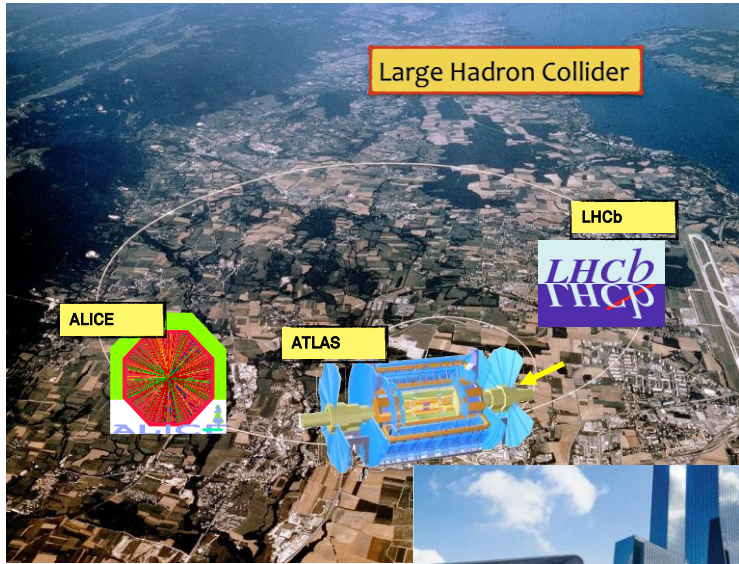


'Big Science' needs some computing ...

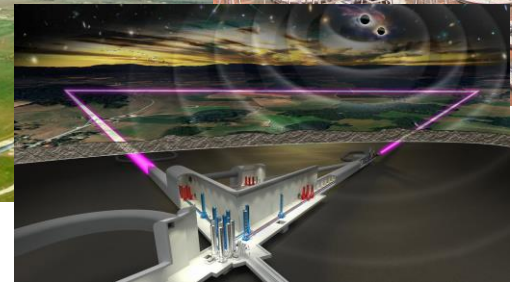
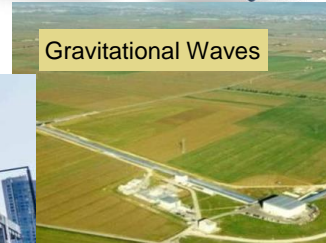


CERN Computing Centre B513, image: CERN, <https://cds.cern.ch/record/2127440>; tape library image CC-IN2P3 with LHC and LSST data; cabinets: Nikhef H234b

Larger scales for both facilities and computing

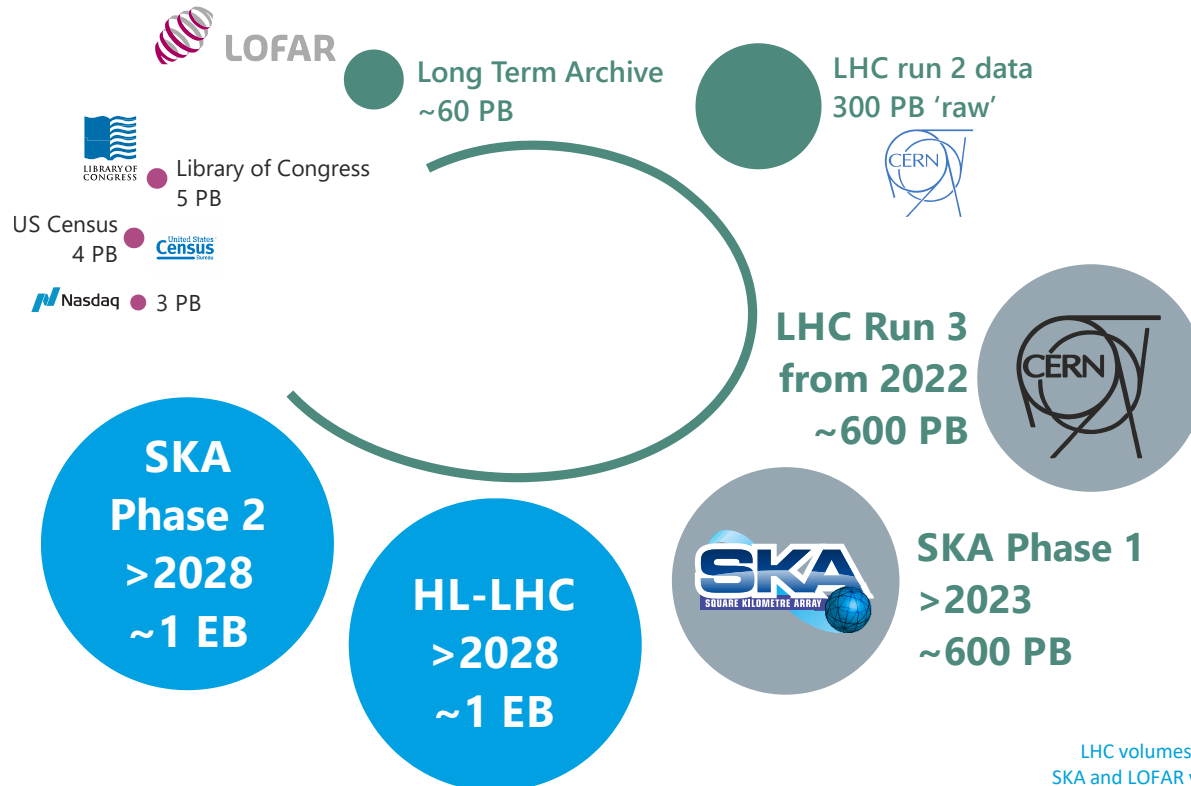


SKA-Low (impression, to-be-built in .au)



Sources: CERN <https://wlcg.web.cern.ch/>; HADDOCK, WeNMR, @Bonviniab <https://wenmr.science.uu.nl/>; Virgo, Pisa, IT; SKAO: the SKA-Low observatory, Australia <https://www.skatelescope.org/> - OpenMOLE simulation on EGI - https://cdn.egi.eu/app/uploads/2022/04/EGI_Use_Cases.pdf

Processing at scale for data intensive science

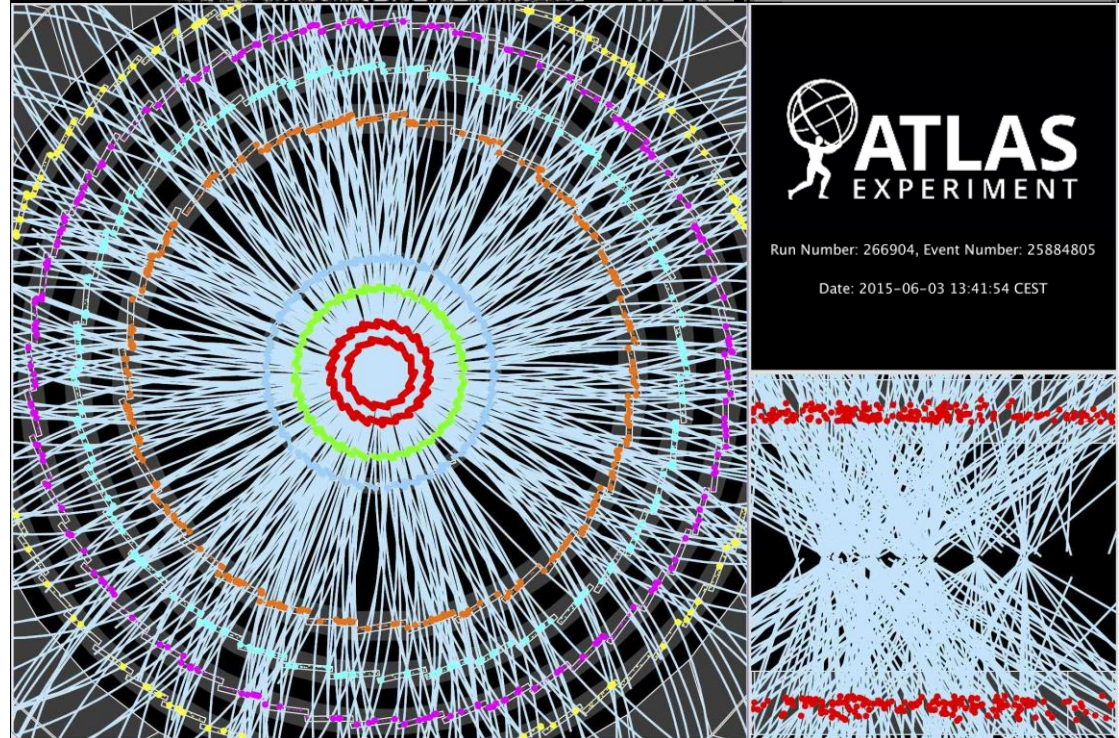


Data from various sources, for public entities: data ca. 2018, indicative, within ~ factor 2

LHC volumes: LCG Resource Scrutiny Group & CERN; 2020
SKA and LOFAR volumes: ASTRON/Michiel van Haarlem, 2020

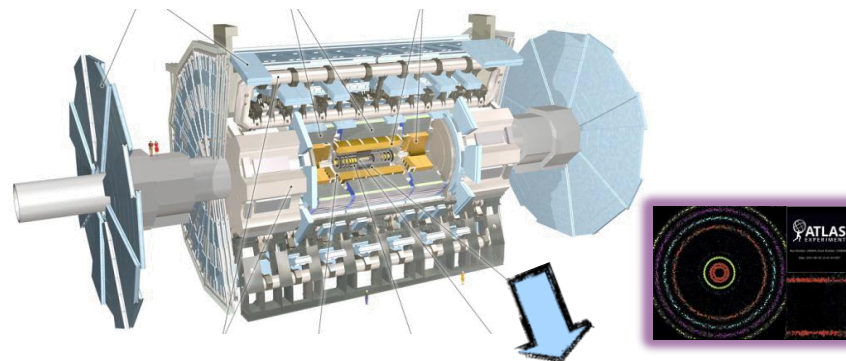
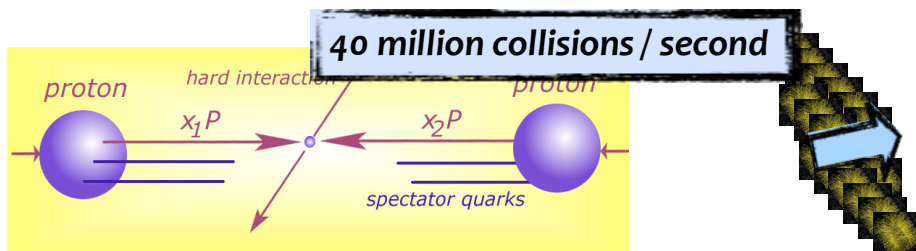
Computing on lots of data – 40Mevents/sec

~ 10 seconds to compute
a single event at ATLAS
for 'jets' containing ~30
collisions



Display of a proton-proton collision event recorded by ATLAS on 3 June 2015, with the first LHC stable beams at a collision energy of 13 TeV;
Event processing time: v19.0.1.1 as per Jovan Mitrevski and 2015 J. Phys.: Conf. Ser. 664 072034 (CHEP2015)

Detector to doctor workflow



**Physics analysis by
(PhD) students, in
papers & analysis notes**



**Classify particles in
collision and their
physics properties:**

- electrons
- muons
- jets consisting of hadrons



**Trigger system selects
600 Hz ~ 1 GB/s data**

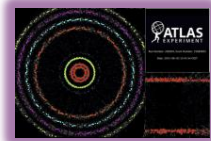
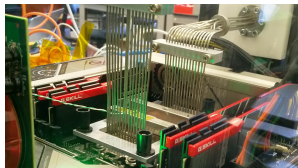


diagram adapted from Frank Linde; images: ATLAS collaboration, Nikhef. ... and sorry for the GDPR-blur

Processing ... at different scales

algorithms and systems design

- designing for accelerators and high-performance processors
- rethinking design patterns for work & data orchestration



algorithms and systems

collective compute, storage, and networks

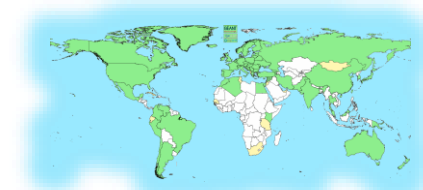
- building 'research IT facilities'
- peering and global networks
- stressing the network
- research 'cloudy' services



systems and interactions

accessing services collaboratively & securely

- trust and identity services
- securing the infrastructure of an open science cloud
- managing complexity of collaboration mechanisms



interactions and people

More than one system

‘HTC’ – high throughput computing
sharing workflows across multiple sites
and multiple solutions

Physical farms: selecting the ‘worker nodes’

For HTC applications

– like WLCG, SKA, WeNMR – typically

- **balanced features for node throughput** (CPU, storage, memory bandwidth, network)
- **single-socket** multicore systems are fine, typical: 64-128 cores per system
- **network:** 2x25Gbps (+ ‘out of band’ management like IPMI)
- **memory:** 8 GiB/core
- **local disk:** 4TB NVME PCIe Gen4 x4
- + space (physical + power) to add **GPU**



Image: Cluster ‘Lotenfeest’ at the Nikhef NDPF, acquired March 2020. Lenovo SR655 with AMD EPYC 7702P 64-Core single-socket

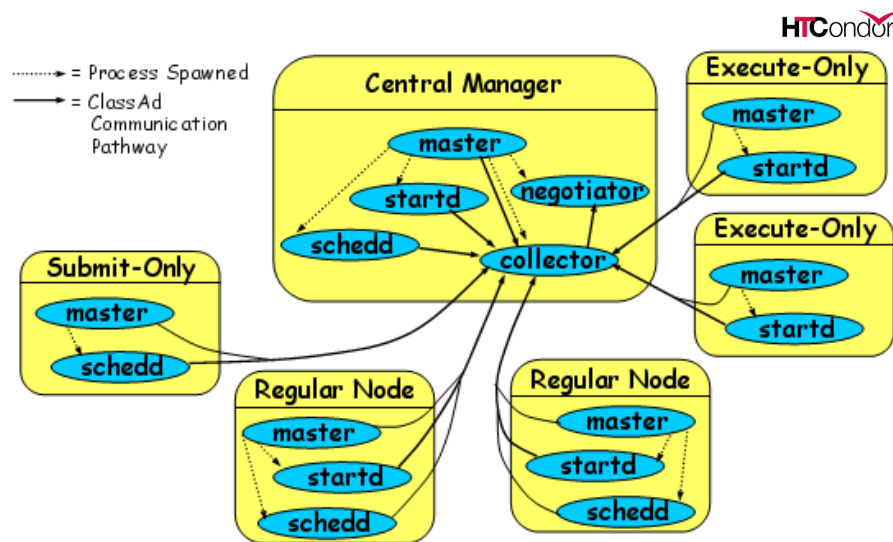
Using clusters of nodes in a scalable way

Batch queuing and distributing jobs

- scheduling over a known set of nodes (SLURM, Torque, ...)

Or matchmaking based on 'ClassAds'

- both jobs and machines advertise their requirements and capabilities in 'classified advertisements'
- Matchmaking done by the negotiator
- execution nodes mostly autonomous
- helps for scalability and resilience, but
- handling fair-share based allocation and accounting is much more difficult (no central component to do that ...)

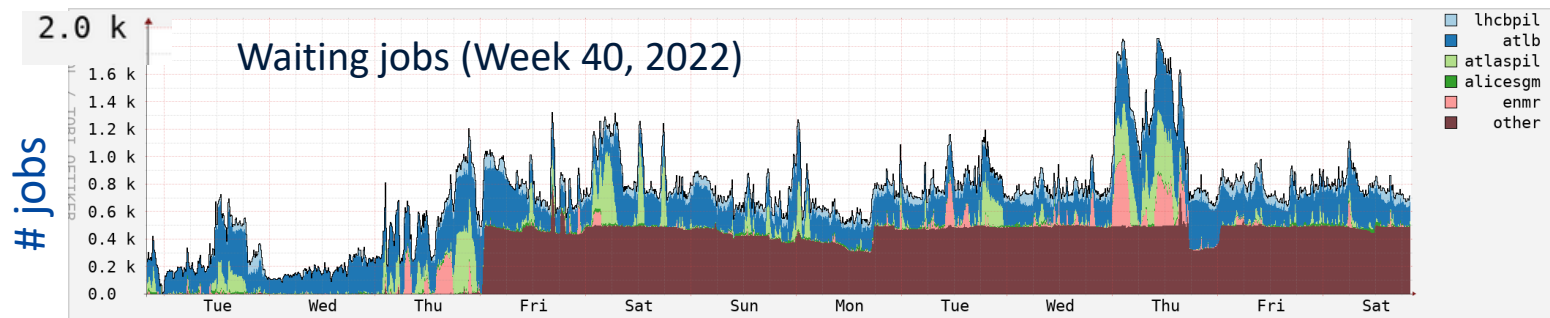
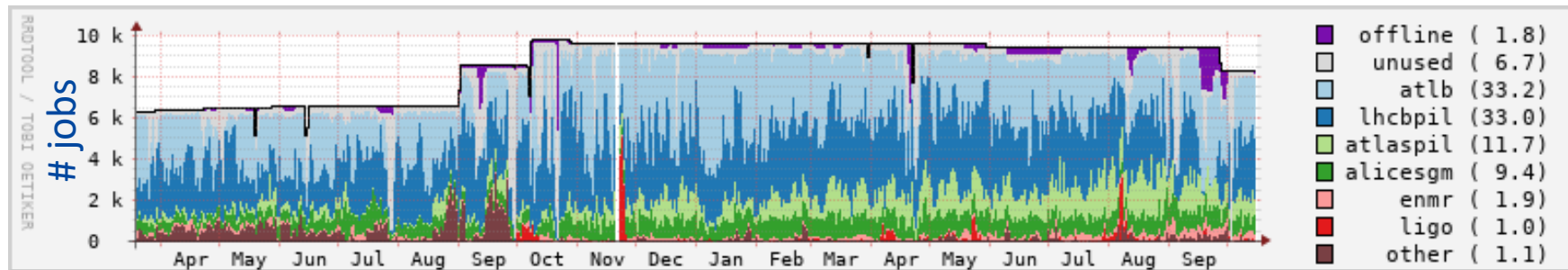


HTCondor, Miron Livny et al, UWMadison; https://research.cs.wisc.edu/htcondor/CondorWeek2008/condor_presentations/desmet_admin_tutorial/

NDPF 'WLCG and Dutch National Infra' cluster

Running jobs:

period: March 2021 .. October 2022



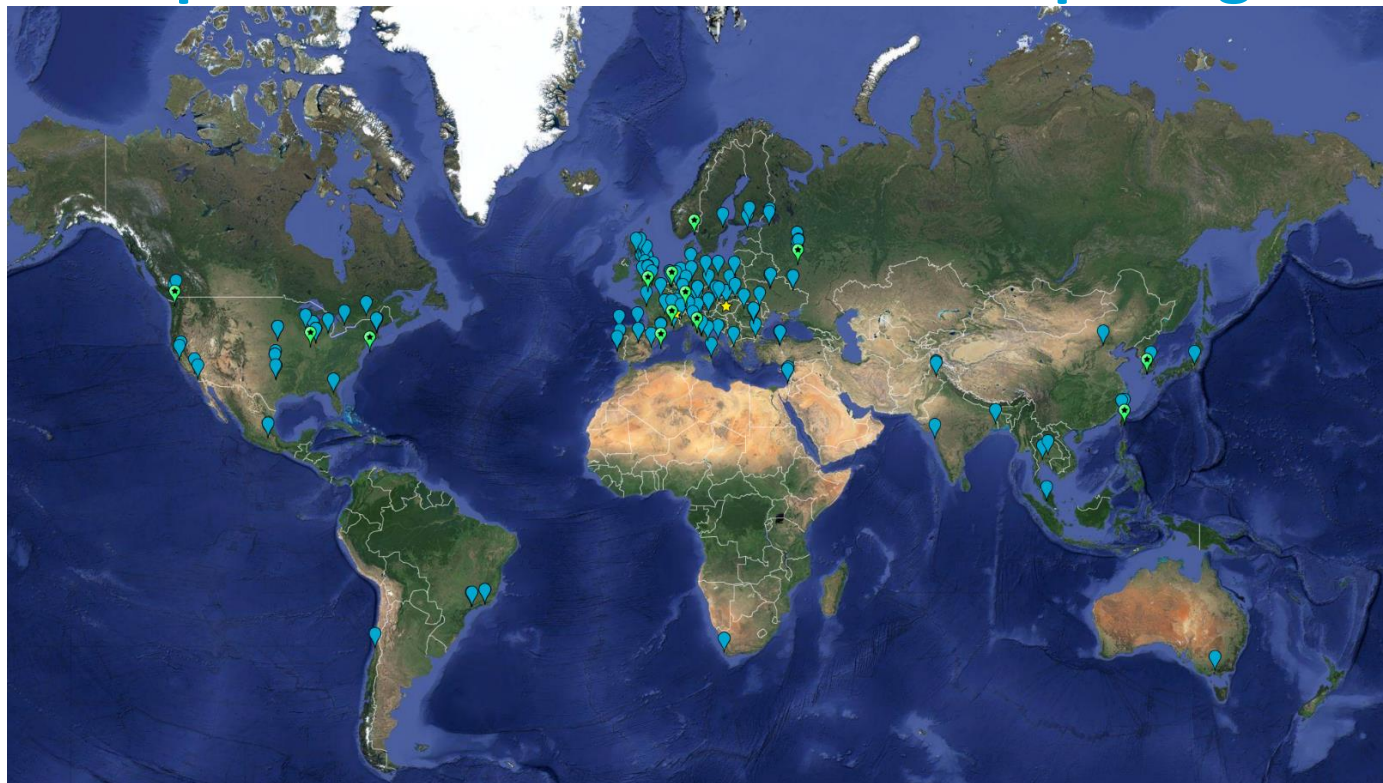
drainage event on Sept 27 are nodes being moved to the LIGO-VIRGO specific cluster; Source: NDPF Statistics overview, <https://www.nikhef.nl/pdp/doc/stats/>
'other' waiting jobs are almost all for the Auger experiment - GRISview images: Jeff Templon for NDPF and STBC



There is NO CLOUD, just other people's computers

Image source: Free Software Foundation Europe - <https://fsfe.org/>

Example: the worldwide LHC Computing Grid



~ 1.4 million CPU cores
~ 1500 Petabyte
disk + archival

170+ institutes
40+ countries
13 'Tier-1 sites'

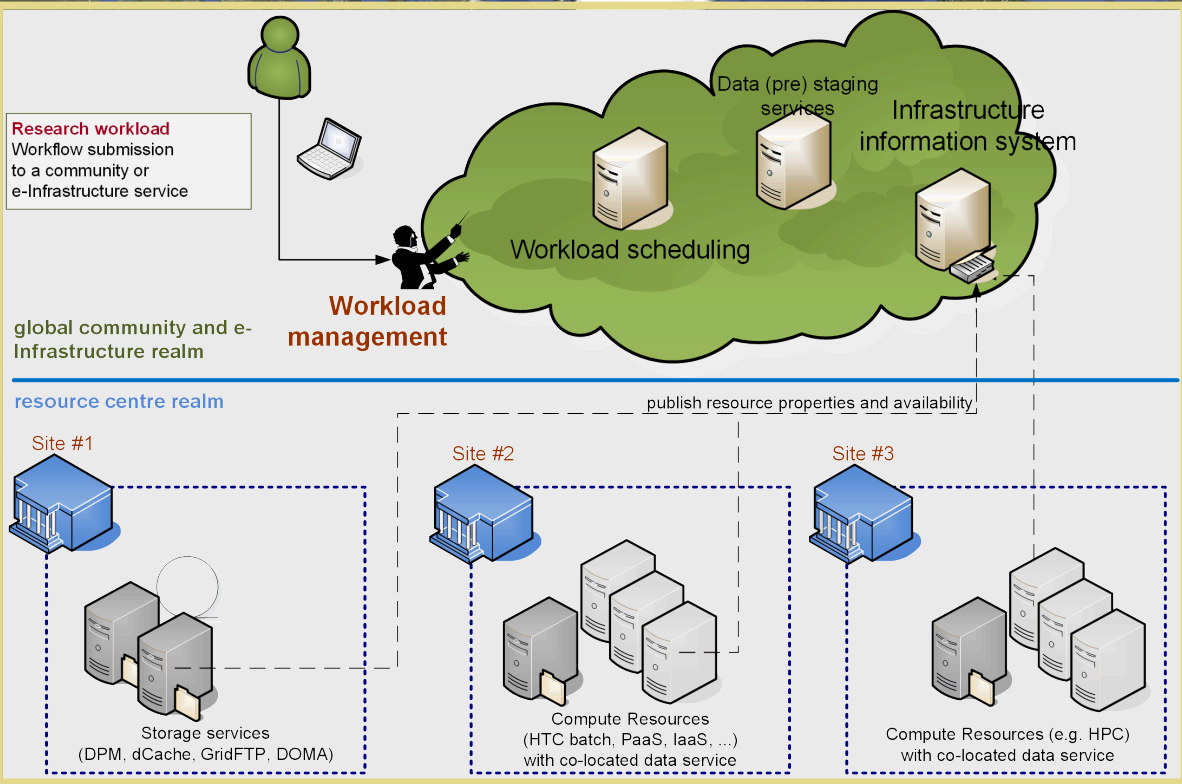
NL-T1:
SURF & Nikhef

e-Infrastructures
EGI
PRACE-RI
EuroHPC
OpenScienceGrid
XSEDE (ACCESS)

Earth background: Google Earth; Data and compute animation: STFC RAL for WLCG and EGI.eu; Data: <https://home.cern/science/computing/grid>
For the LHC Computing Grid: wlcg.web.cern.ch, for EGI: www.egi.eu; ACCESS (XSEDE): <https://access-ci.org/>, for the NL-T1 and FuSE: fuse-infra.nl, <https://www.surf.nl/en/research-it>

Global distribution of computing and data placement

Conveniently parallel: a global infrastructure for research



shared multi-community infrastructure

Already EGI e-infra has >250 communities just doing HTC

VO List

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Brokered access spanning heterogeneous resources

Adding a scheduling layer on top

since all sites are autonomous, and global standards failed

'any (IT) problem can be solved by adding one layer of indirection'

DIRAC is just one example

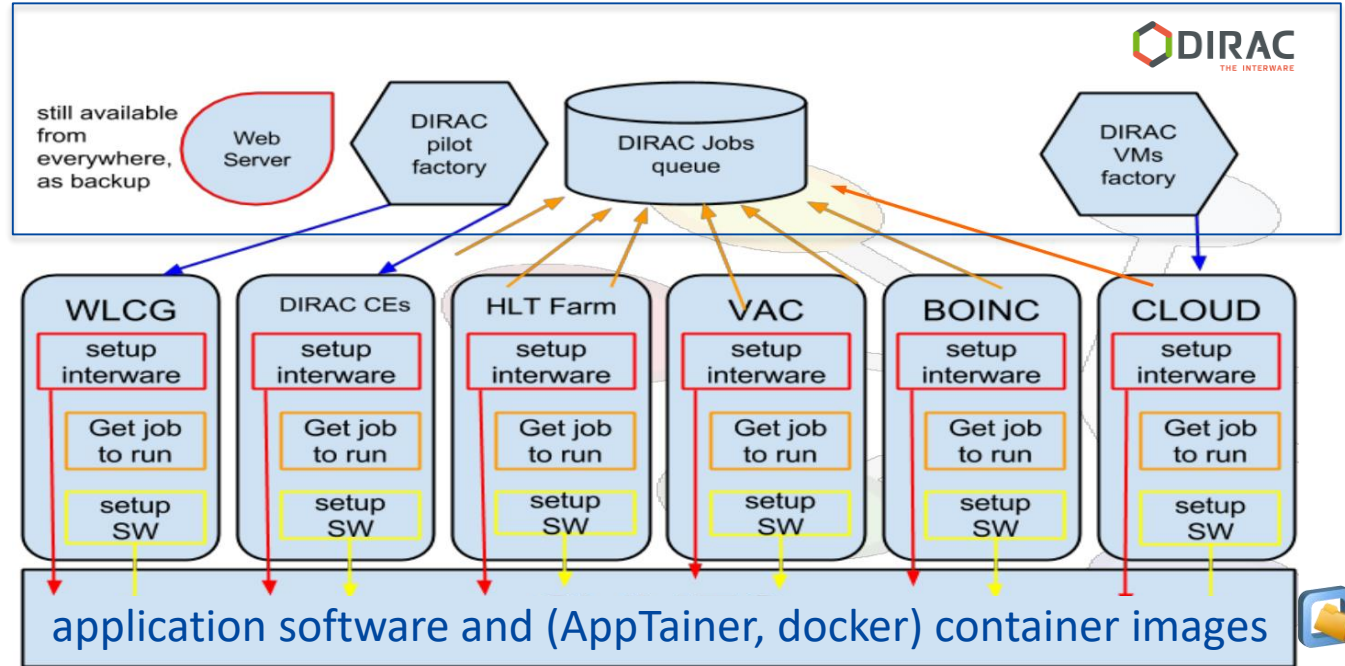
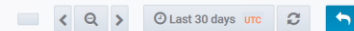


Image: DIRAC project, A. Tsaregorodtsev et al. CPPM Marseille, from <https://dirac.readthedocs.io/>; CVMFS (CERN VM File System) is a common software distribution platform using distributed signed data objects in a cached hierarchy using CDN techniques, see <https://cernvm.cern.ch/fs/>

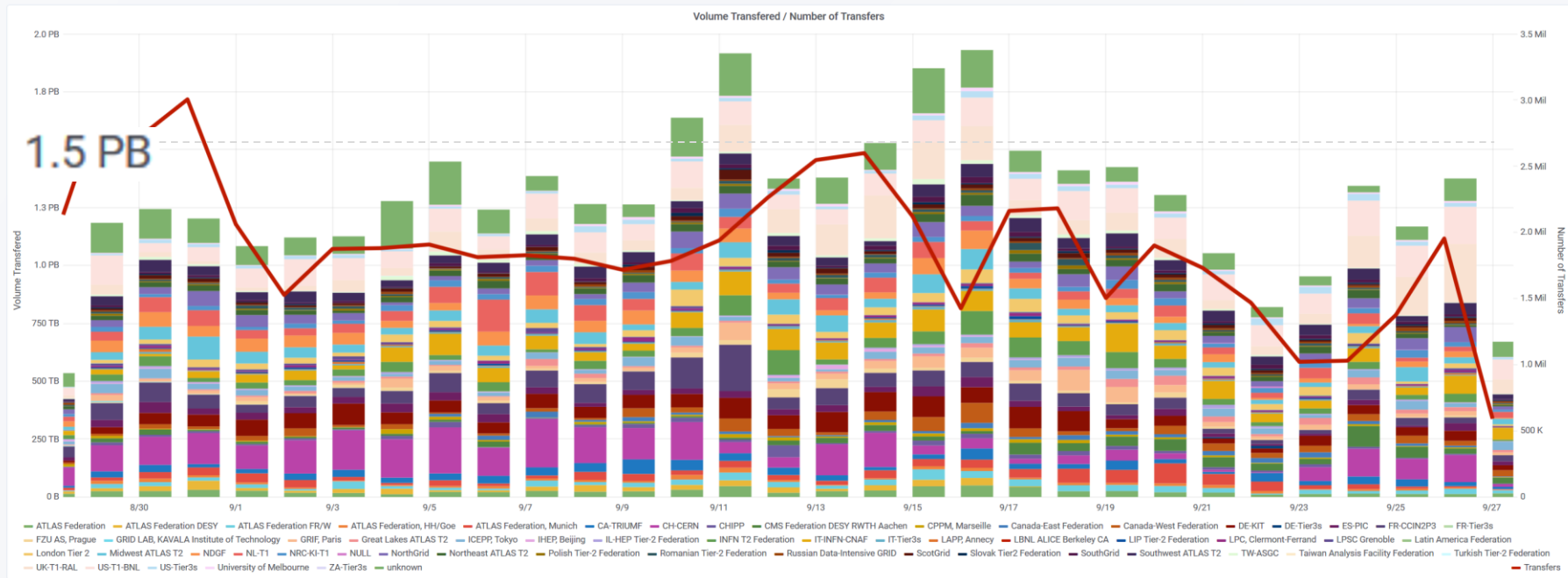
High throughput computing is also about data



FTS Transfers (30 Days)



Group By: dst_federation, VO: atlas + lhcb, Source Country: All, Dest Country: All, Source Site: All, Dest Site: All, FTS Server: All, Bin: auto, Filters: +



source: <https://monit-grafana.cern.ch/d/000000420/fts-transfers-30-day> ; data: November 2020 ; CERN FTS instance WLCG: daily transfer volume ATLAS+LHCb

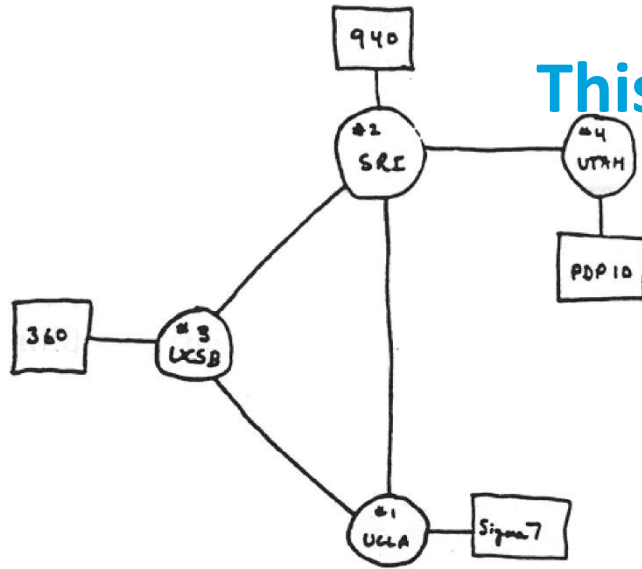
Connecting together

application design and the network

separating network flows for high-throughput data processing

stressing the network ... beyond LHC data processing

This does not quite cut it for the LHC



THE ARPA NETWORK

DEC 1969

4 NODES

Image source: Alex McKenzie and "Casting the Net", page 56. See <https://personalpages.manchester.ac.uk/staff/m.dodge/cybergeography/atlas/arpnet2.gif> ;
acoustocoupler: Wikimedia

A quick look at internet routing ...

network paths
from various places
in Western Europe

towards an IP address
at CERN

⚡ Traceroute measurement to linuxsoft.cern.ch (multihomed)



Data: RIPE NCC Atlas project, TraceMON IPmap, atlas.ripe.net, measurement 9249079

Many paths to Rome ... i.e. to your server

From a home connected to the Freedom Internet ISP to *spiegel.nikhef.nl*

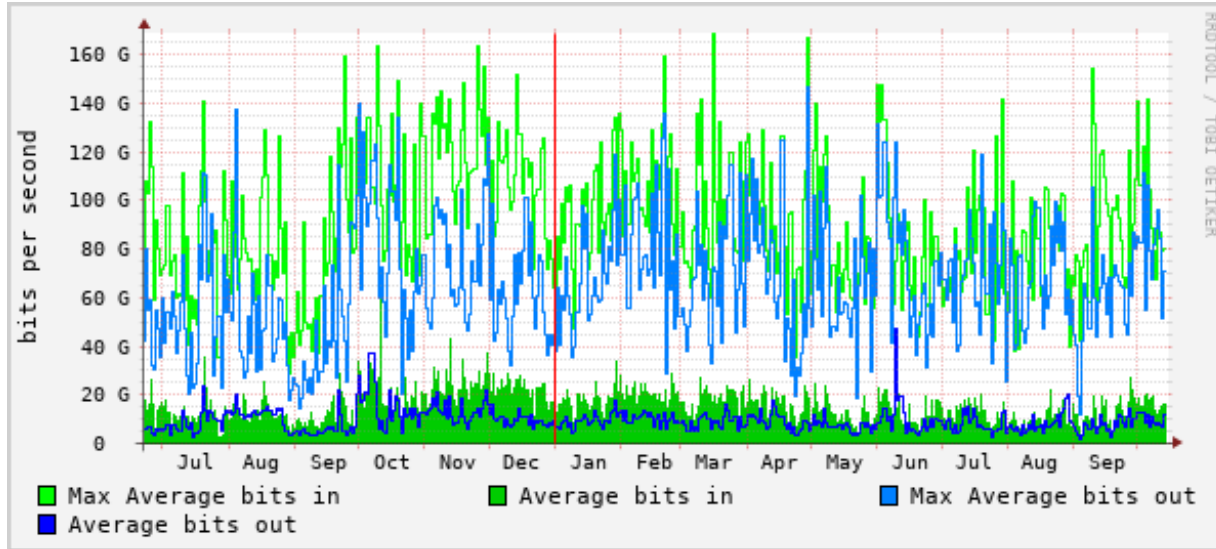
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traceroute to gierput.nikhef.nl (2a07:8500:120:e010::46), 30 hops max, 80 byte packets
 1 2a10-3781-17b6.connected.by.freedominter.net (2a10:3781:17b6:1:de39:6fff:fe6b:4558) [AS206238] 0.810 ms 1.052 ms 1.330 ms
 2 2a10:3780::234 (2a10:3780::234) [AS206238] 7.460 ms 7.655 ms 7.705 ms
 3 2a10:3780:1::21 (2a10:3780:1::21) [AS206238] 8.868 ms 9.054 ms 9.103 ms
 4 et-0-0-1-1002.corel.fi001.nl.freedomnet.nl (2a10:3780:1::2d) [AS206238] 10.017 ms 9.934 ms 10.263 ms
 5 as1104.frys-ix.net (2001:7f8:10f::450:66) [*] 10.898 ms 11.744 ms 11.797 ms
 6 gierput.nikhef.nl (2a07:8500:120:e010::46) [AS1104] 11.502 ms 7.800 ms 7.357 ms
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but from Interparts in Lisse, NH:

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traceroute to gierput.nikhef.nl (2a07:8500:120:e010::46), 30 hops max, 80 byte packets
 1 2a03:e0c0:1002:6601::2 (2a03:e0c0:1002:6601::2) [AS41960] 1.380 ms 1.371 ms 1.369 ms
 2 2a02:690:0:1::b (2a02:690:0:1::b) [AS41960] 1.305 ms 1.312 ms 1.312 ms
 3 et-6-1-0-0.asd002a-jnx-01.surf.net (2001:7f8:1::a500:1103:2) [AS1200] 1.957 ms 2.000 ms 2.052 ms
 4 ae47.asd001b-jnx-01.surf.net (2001:610:e00:2::49c) [AS1103] 2.443 ms 2.505 ms 2.507 ms
 5 irb-4.asd002a-jnx-06.surf.net (2001:610:f00:1120::121) [AS1103] 2.041 ms 2.138 ms 2.138 ms
 6 nikhef-router.customer.surf.net (2001:610:f01:9124::126) [AS1103] 8.977 ms 7.957 ms 7.951 ms
 7 gierput.nikhef.nl (2a07:8500:120:e010::46) [AS1104] 7.922 ms 8.093 ms 8.081 ms
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AS41960: Interparts; AS1200: AMS-IX route reflector; AS1103: SURFnet; AS1104: Nikhef; AS206238: Freedom Internet – on the FrysIX there is direct L2 peering

Typical data traffic to and from the processing cluster



Source: Nikhef cricket graphs period June 2021 – October 2022 – aggregated (research) traffic to external peers from deelqfx – <https://cricket.nikhef.nl/>

That viral cat video destroyed it all ...

latency AMS-GVA 17 ms
congestion event @20ms:
2 ms of UDP traffic to GVA

- TCP protocol sensitive to packet loss
 - 3 lost packets is enough to trigger this
- different congestion avoidance algorithms exists (~20 by now)
- loss severely impacts links w/large 'bandwidth-delay-product' (BDP)
- NL: ~3 ms, US East: 150ms

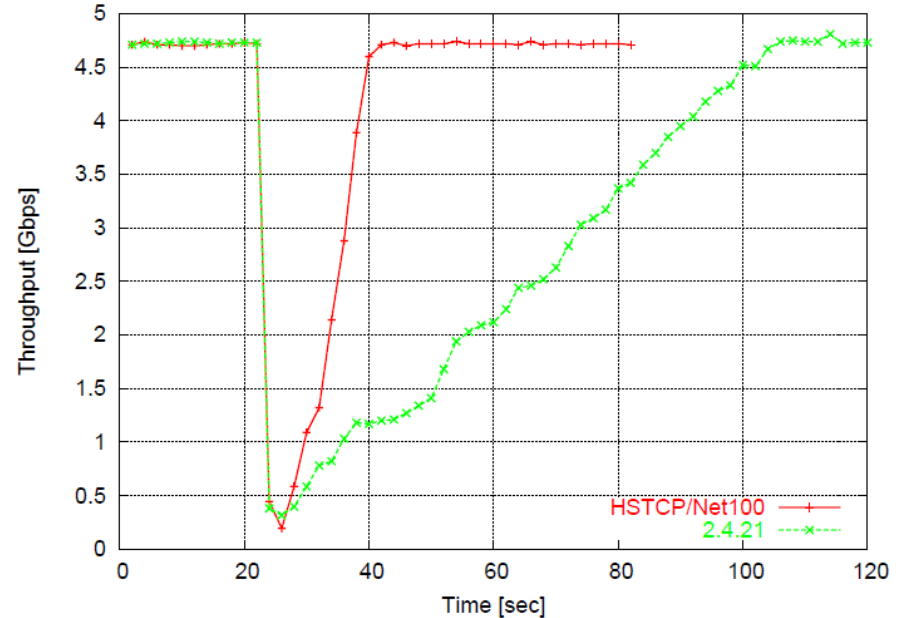


Figure 10: HSTCP versus stock TCP recovery time

source: Catalin Meirosu et al. *Native 10 Gigabit Ethernet experiments over long distances* in FGCS, doi:10.1016/j.future.2004.10.003 – aka. ATL-D-TN-0001

‘Elephant streams in a packet-switched internet’

Can cat videos survive in an internet dominated by big science data flows?

Most of the internet is ‘packet switched’: each packet can go somewhere else ...

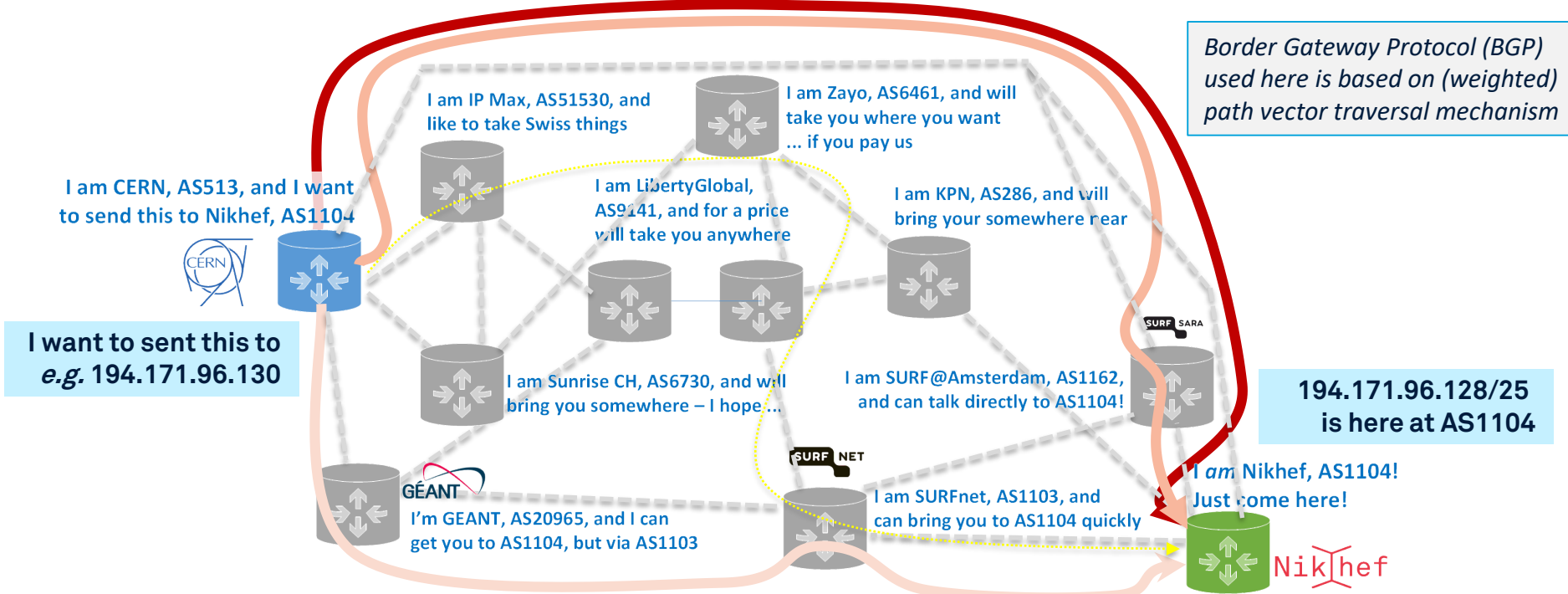
so use waggons on a train, or ships, that always go from A-to-B anyway?
A conveyer belt will do much better!

... *although you still need a hole to dump it in ...*



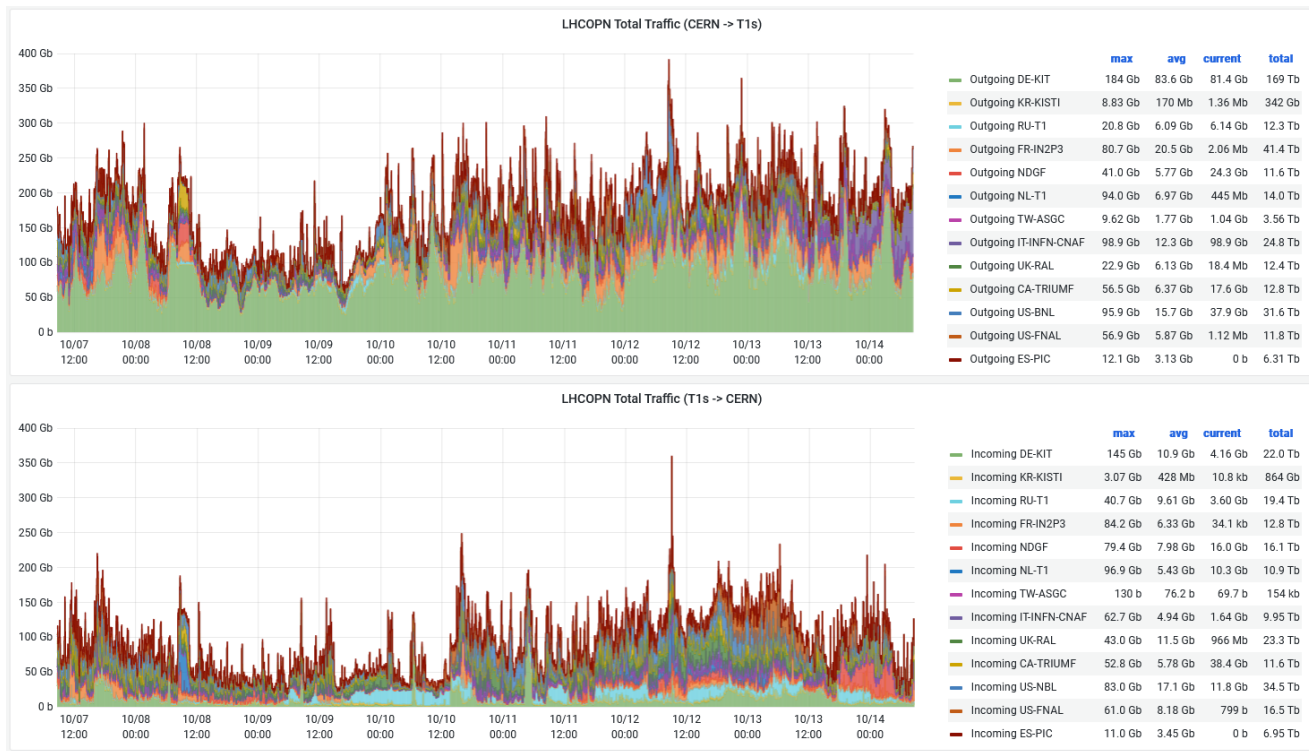
Image conveyor belt tunnel near Bluntisham, Cambridgeshire by Hugh Venables, CC-BY-SA-4.0 from <https://www.geograph.org.uk/photo/4344525>

Where do internet packets go anyway?

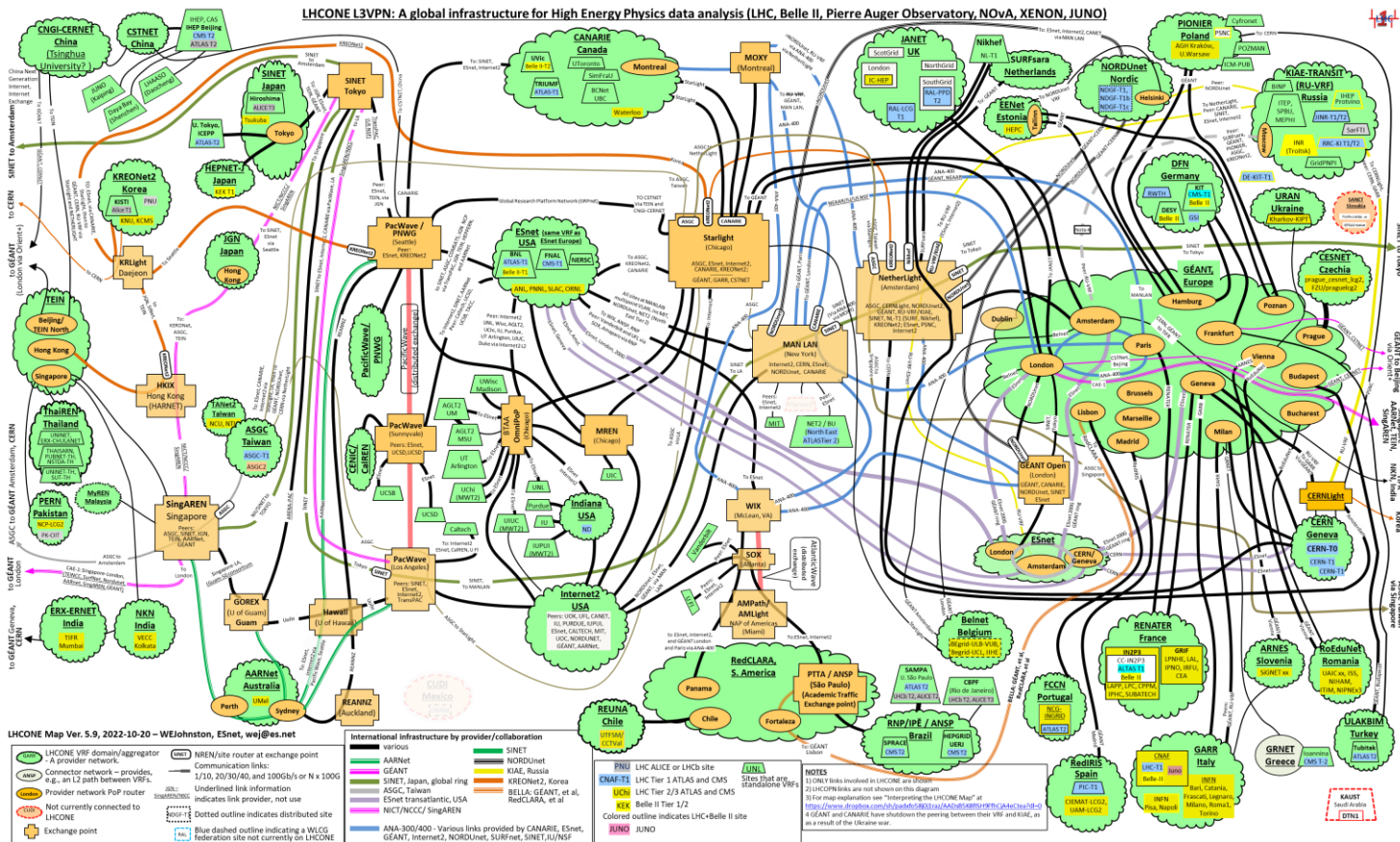


grey-dash lines for illustration only: may not correspond to actual peerings or transit agreements; red lines: the three existing LHCOPN and R&E fall-back routes; yellow: public internet fall-back (least preferred option)

LHCOPN – traffic levels for T1T1 data transfer

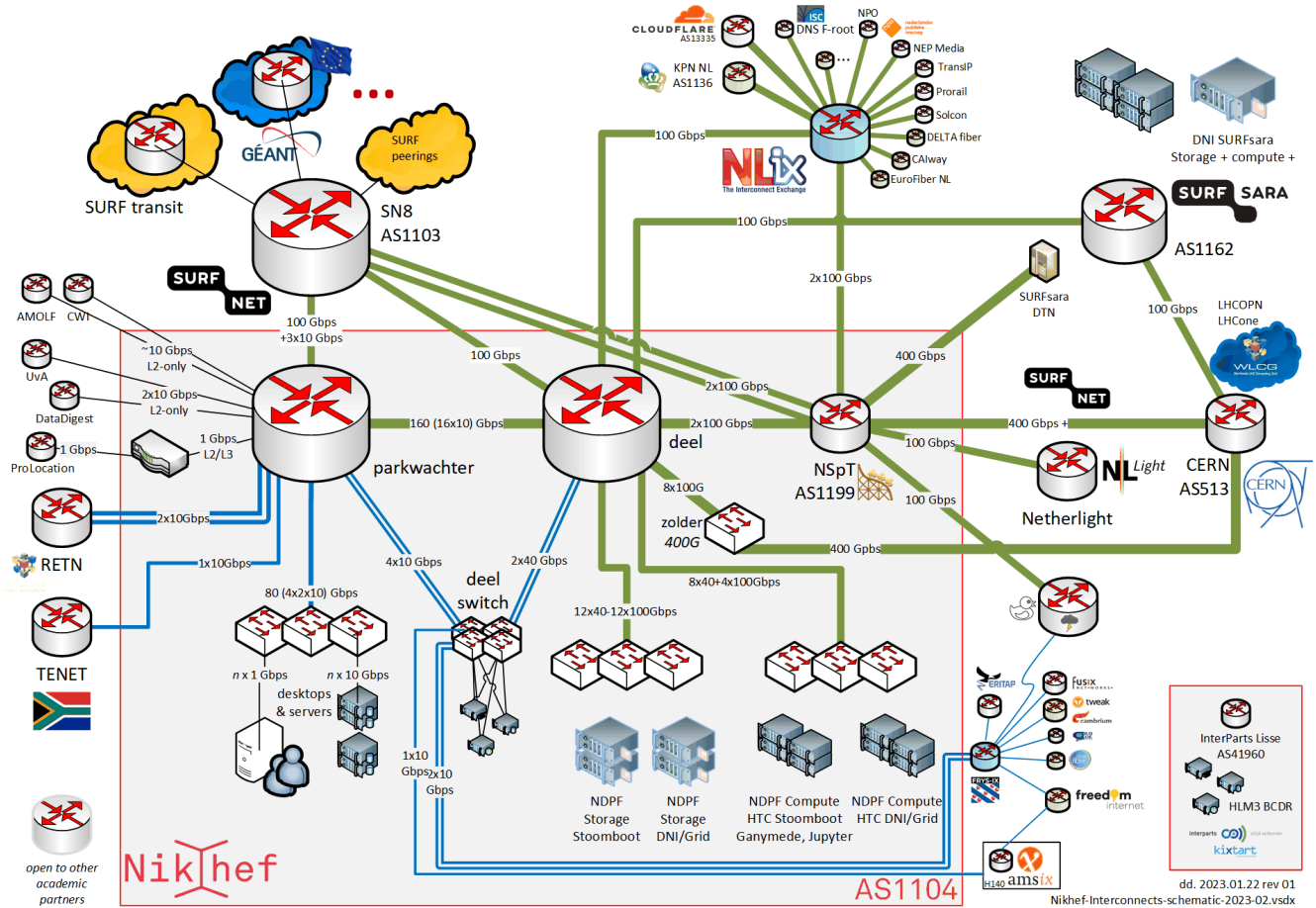


CERN OpenMonIT LHCOPN, period Oct 7 .. Oct 14 2022, from <https://monit-grafana-open.cern.ch/d/HreVOyc7z/all-lhcopn-traffic>



LHCone ("LHC Open Network Environment") – visualization by Bill Johnston, ESnet version: October 2022 – updated with new AS1104 links

AS1104



<https://www.nikhef.nl/pdp/doc/facility>

For the HL-LHC and SKA, more is needed!

- Core network is now 400G-100G mixed
- Experiments with 800Gbps now ongoing
- local (AMS) has been demonstrated
- next: 400 → 800G AMS-GVA 😊



Web screenshot: btg.org,
Images Nokia 7750-SR1x in Nikhef AMS H234b: Tristan Suerink



Minister Adriaansens opent testomgeving voor volgende generatie netwerktechnologieën

januari 31 2023



De zogenaamde innovatieronde in Amsterdam is door minister Micky Adriaansens van Economische Zaken en Klimaat op 30 januari geopend. De innovatieronde is een testomgeving waar SURF en Nikhef gaan experimenteren met nieuwe netwerktechnologieën. De omgeving beschikt over een internetsnelheid van 800 Gbit/s, wat meer dan 1000 keer sneller dan de internetaansluiting van een gemiddeld huishouden in Nederland. De innovatieronde stelt Nederlandse onderzoekers in staat onderzoek te doen naar de volgende generatie netwerktechnologieën.

De behoefte vanuit het onderwijs en onderzoek naar bandbreedte op het internet groeit. Onderzoekers willen steeds meer en grotere datasets snel en veilig over de landsgrenzen heen met elkaar delen. De bandbreedte van het netwerk speelt hierin een cruciale rol. Om deze grote hoeveelheden data snel te kunnen verwerken, is de verwachting dat 800Gbit/s hiervoor de standaard kan worden. De innovatieronde maakt het mogelijk om te experimenteren met nieuwe netwerktechnologieën.

Scaling data access: ‘system-aware design’ at application layer

Reading data ‘scattered’ in a file - simply using POSIX-like IO - when done over the network severely exposes latency

and TCP slow-start makes that even worse

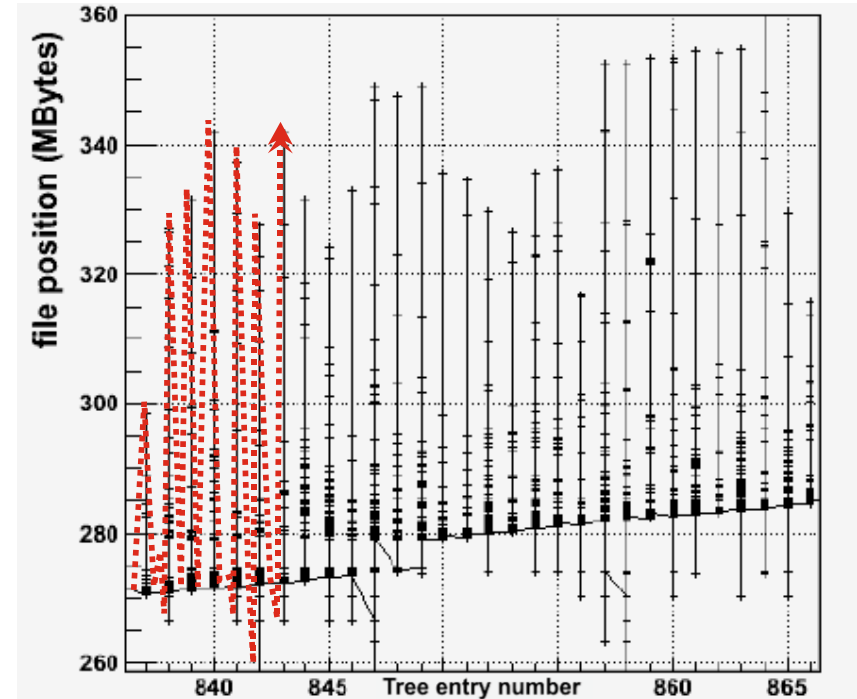
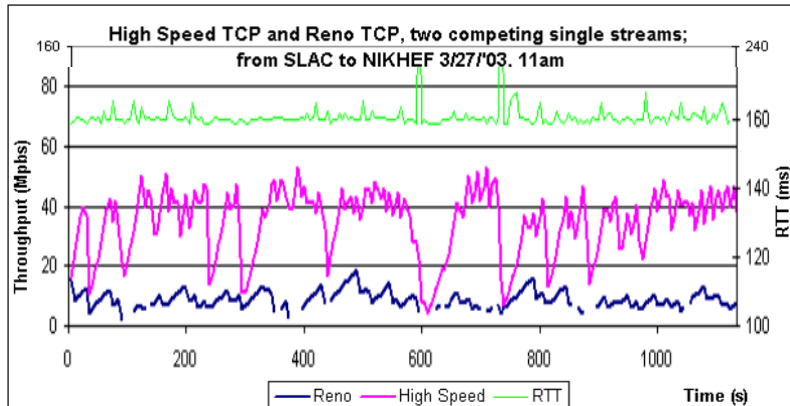


Image of TCP slow-start and packet loss impact (in Mpps): Antony Antony et al., Nikhef, for DataTAG, 2003(!)

Right: base graphic: Philippe Canal “Root I/O: the fast and the furious”, CHEP2010 Access pattern reflects Root versions < 5.28, before Ttree caching and ‘baskets’

Exercising the network – sensor data and events

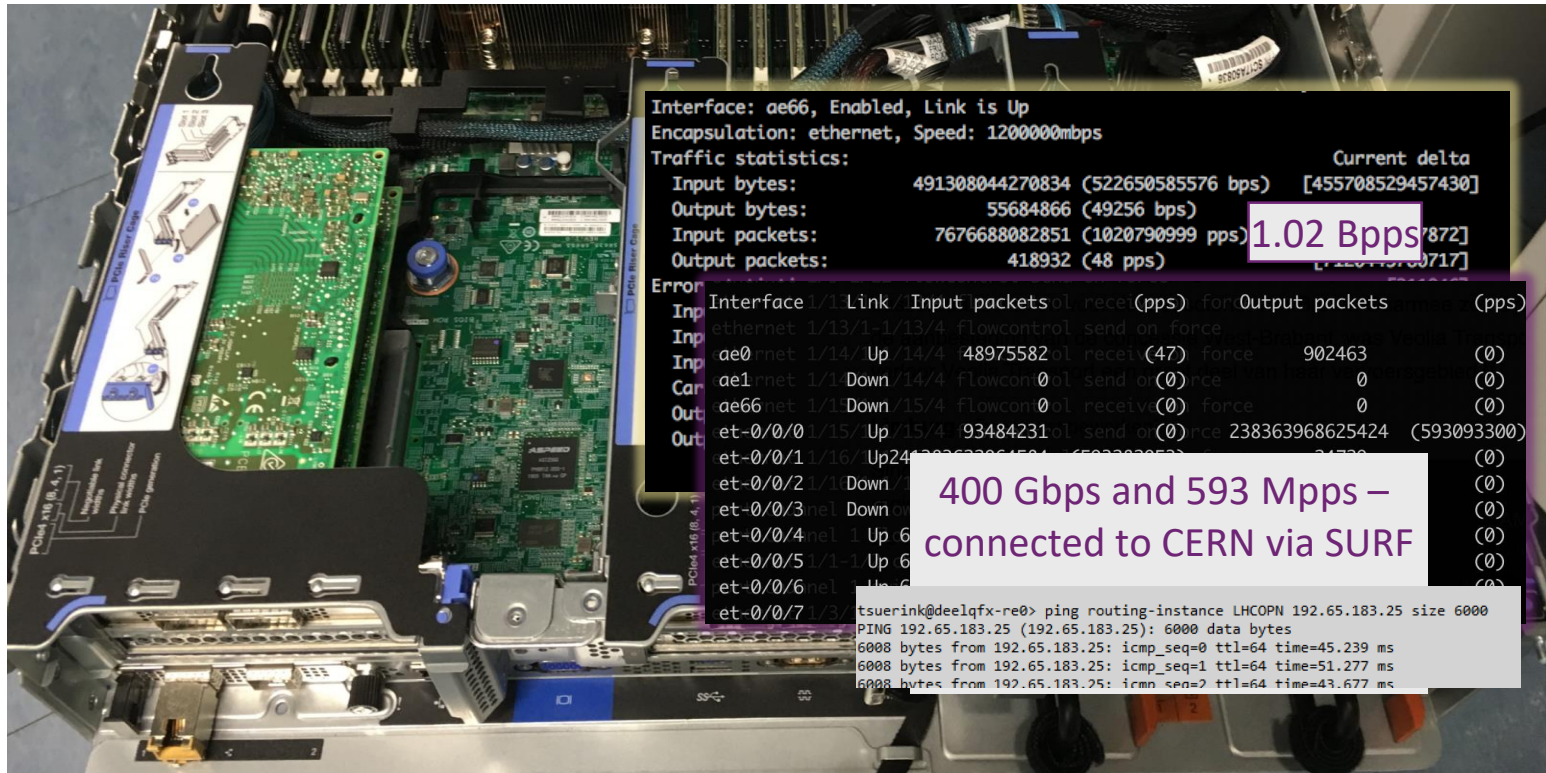


Image: ballenbak.nikhef.nl, Tristan Suerink

Research data traffic looks like ... a DDoS to others 😊

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Dinsdag 14 maart 2023 | Het laatste nieuws het eerst op NU.nl

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Forse ddos-aanvallen en nerdgrapjes tijdens nachtelijke oefening overheid

Door Rutger Otto

12 feb 2023 om 05:02
Update: een maand geleden

202 reacties

Het begon in 2018. Een bijzondere samenwerking tussen overheden, internetproviders- en exchanges, academische instanties, non-...

Een goed begin

De voorbereidingen van de avond beginnen ver voordat de oefening gepland staat. Elke organisatie bepaalt welke systemen ze willen aanvallen en hoe de aanval uitgevoerd wordt. Het 'red team' is verantwoordelijk voor de aanvallen, het 'blue team' voor de verdediging. Eén van de partijen die avond is Nikhef. Tristan, IT architect bij Nikhef, geeft aan dat zij dit belangeloos doen, gedreven door een maatschappelijke motivatie.

Nikhef is het Nationaal instituut voor subatomaire fysica in Nederland. Het beschikt over een gigantische bandbreedte, wat noodzakelijk is voor een dergelijke oefening waarbij zeer veel data wordt verstuurd. Zij zijn onderdeel van de aanvallende teams en

Belastingdienst

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Home > Aanslagen > Ik heb een DDoS aanslag ontvangen - wat nu?

Ik heb een DDoS aanslag op mijn netwerk ontvangen - wat nu?

U ontvangt een DDoS aanslag op uw netwerk, bijvoorbeeld omdat u vergeten bent werkende tegenmaatregelen te nemen. Er staat dan een geschat aantal pakketten per seconde op uw monitoring.



Image sources: belastingdienst.nl, rws.nl, nu.nl

'ScienceDMZ'

Multi-pronged role

- network isolation
- security zoning
- 'latency hiding'
- caching

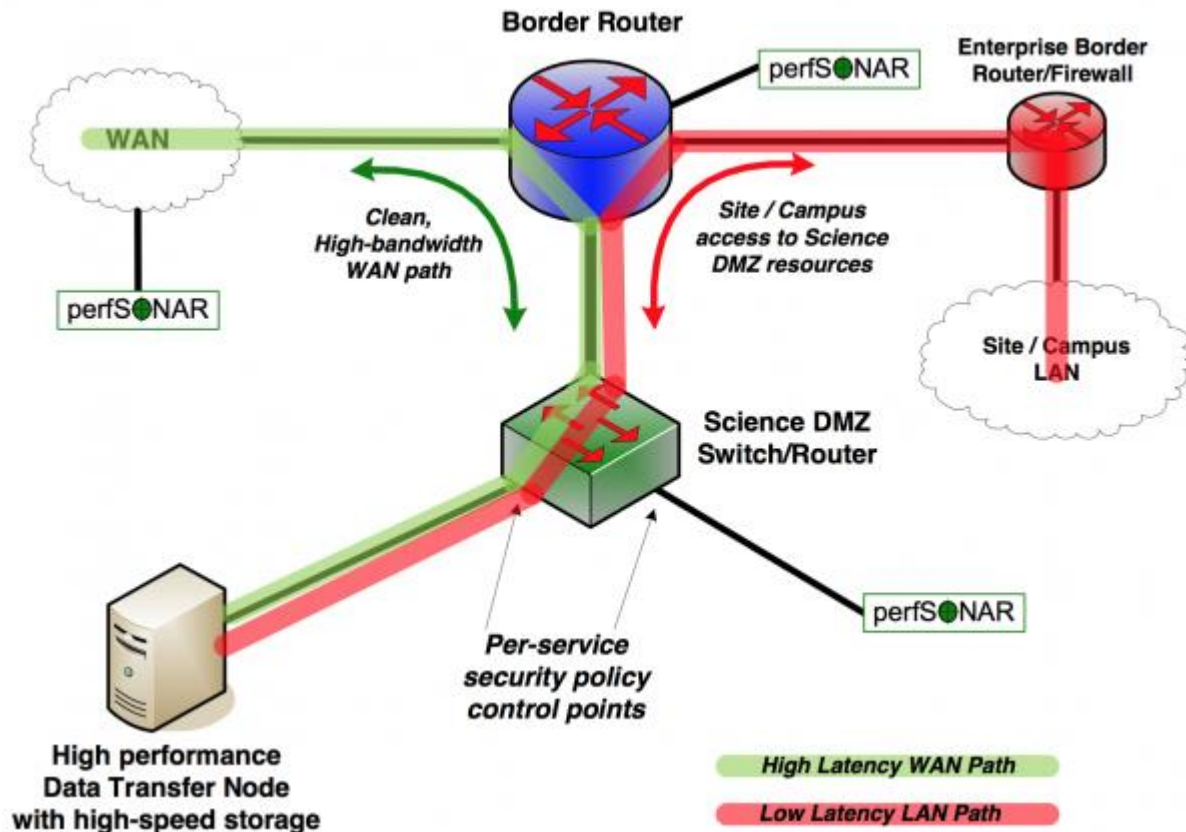
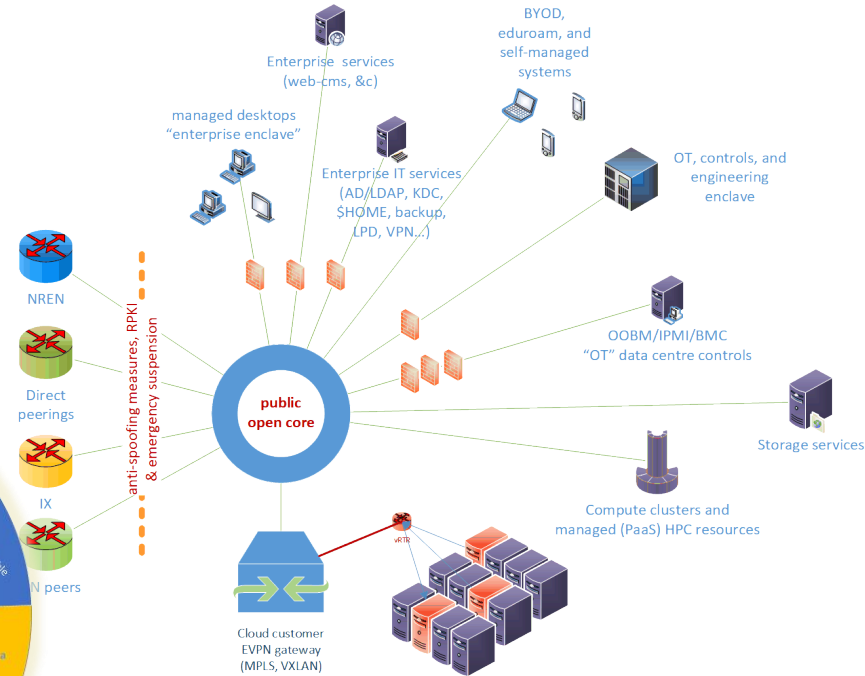


Image and 'ScienceDMZ' promulgated by ESnet (see fasterdata.es.net)

Although for a research organisation

... you want a **science network** with a 'back-office enclave'

'open-core' research network model implements enclave structure *and* protects against overload by having *no stateful components in the network path*



Trust & Identity

Safe access for open data processing

More than one user, *from*
more than one organizational domain, *in*
more than one country!

WLCG: when we met a global trust scaling issue



170 sites
~60 countries & regions
~20000 users
just how many interactions ??



people photo: a small part of the CMS collaboration in 2017, Credit: CMS-PHO-PUBLIC-2017-004-3; site map: WLCG sites from Maarten Litmaath (CERN) 2021

Scaling issues – credentials at each site does not work

NIKHEF state of EDG and the HEP LHC computing in 2000



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Guest / students form (please)

1. This form is completed in connection with:
- work experience
 - otherwise, visit



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ID:	Action:	ID Exp:	
Insurance:	Medical:	Safety:	
Computer:	Stkrn:	Family:	
NON-473:	Sensitive:	Verifier:	Date:

CERN/User Registration

CERN COMPUTER CENTRE - US

<http://cern.ch/it/documents/ComputerUsage/CompA>

To be returned to the User Registration box at the entrance of the computer center, completed by a user who requires a computer account at the Fermilab Department, and is not yet registered in another group.

To be completed by the User :

It is MANDATORY to provide the following information. This information is treated confidentially and only be used for ensuring access to the computer center.

Supply name as registered by the Users' Office.

FAMILY NAME(S):

FIRST NAME(S) :

SEX [M] [F] BIRTHDATE: Day Month Year

HOME INSTITUTE/FIRM:

NATIONALITY: *CERN SUPERVISOR.....

*CERN DEPARTMENT: *CERN ID NUMBER (as on CERN card).....

To be completed by the Group Administrator:

Name:

SWIETZER	JOHN	JAMES
Last	First	Middle

University or Institution Name: **FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY** **Telephone:** **850-644-XXXX**

Experiment/Department:

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Access control in a single domain

- Dedicated to each service where you need access
- Usually strongly linked to authorization: at times even different accounts for different roles
- In a multi-organizational system becomes

$$(n_{\text{sites}} * n_{\text{services}}) * n_{\text{users}}$$

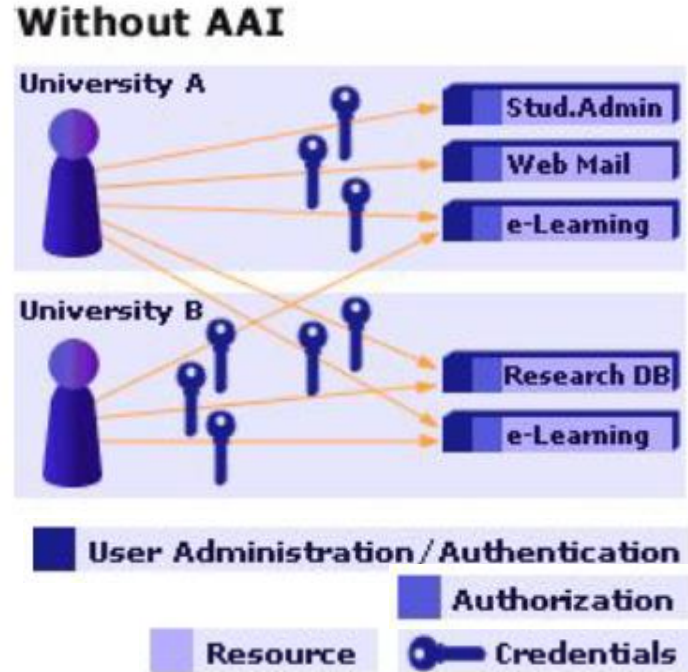
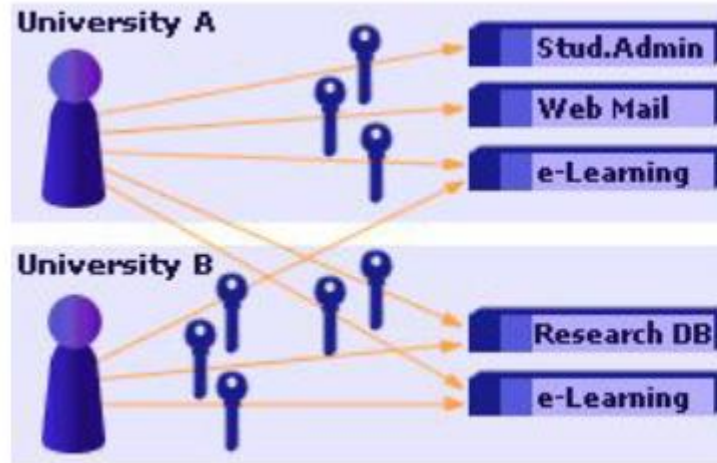


Image: AARC NA2 training module "Authentication and Authorisation 101" - <https://aarc-community.org/training/aai-101/>

Authentication and Authorization Infrastructure

Without AAI



With AAI

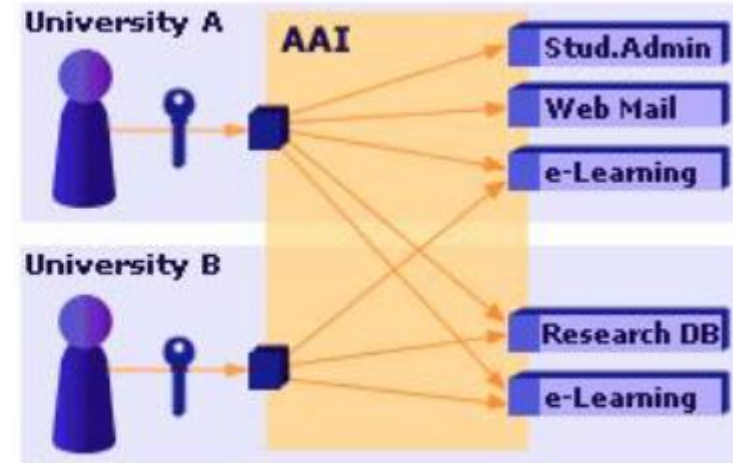


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Whence we came: the long road to federated access

From disparate systems in ~2000

AuthN-AuthZ separation fundamental
to the Federated (R&E) AAI, global IGTF PKI,
VOMS, 'AARC BPA' AAI architecture ...

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Guest / students form (please with a copy of your identity card)

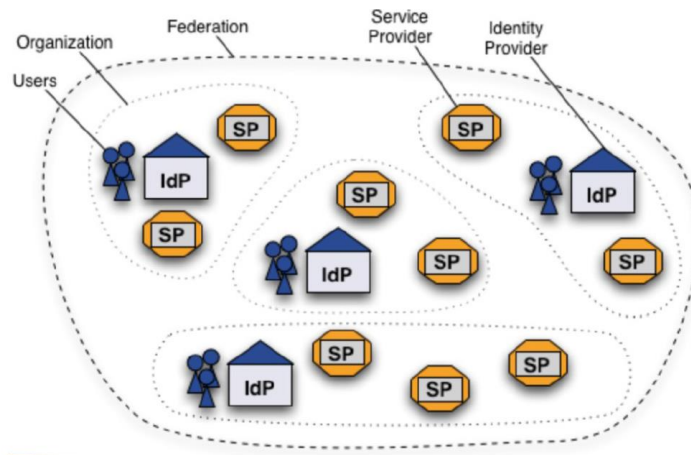
CERN/User Registration Date: 01.03.2004
CERN COMPUTER CENTRE - USER REGISTRATION FORM
<http://cern.ch/it/documents/ComputerUsage/CompAccountRegistrationForm-English.pdf>

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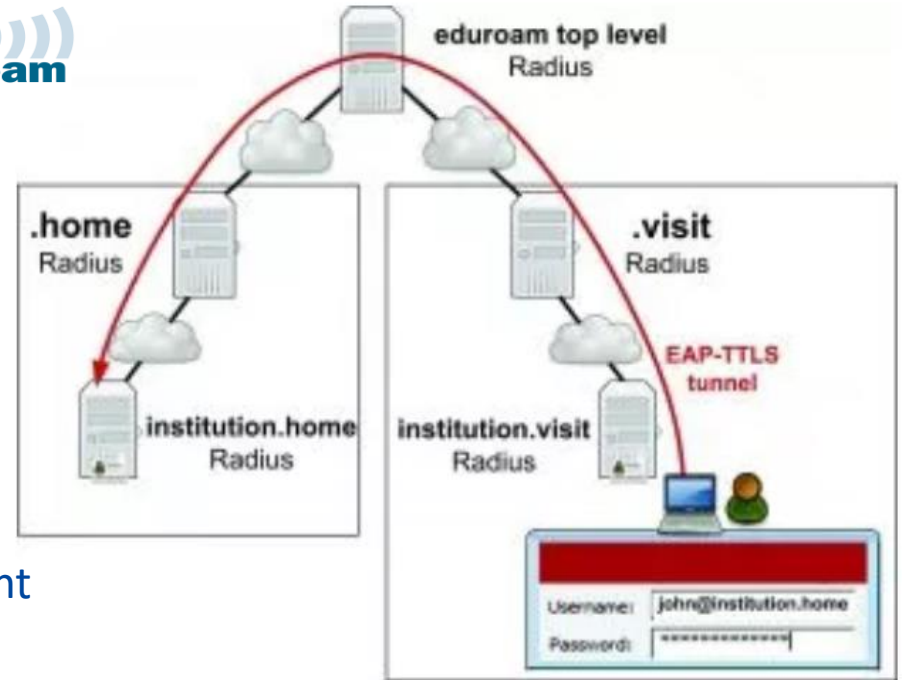
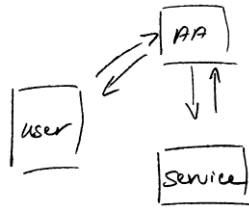
Identity federation provides authentication from the home organisation (IdP, “identity provider”)
Service providers perform authorization, maybe using attributed provided by the IdP

Shibboleth IdP image: SWITCH (CH)

One simple federation you know: eduroam

service-specific trust
between organisations
globally

hierarchical RADIUS servers based
an 802.1x secure exchange
over TLS or EAP-TTLS
tunneling your credentials
back to your home institution



eduroam: Klaas Wieringa et al., image from <https://eduroam.org/how/>, GEANT ; RADIUS: RC2865 <https://www.rfc-editor.org/rfc/rfc2865>; see also freeradius.org

Federation: different technologies, same idea

SAML - Security Assertion Markup Language and WebSSO ('SAML2Int')

- XML-formatted 'attribute statements' over web transport (usually POST)
- SAML-Metadata: list of entities with description of bindings with entityAttributes

PKI - Public Key Infrastructures

- certification authority (CA) signing X.509 formatted certificates with name, issuer, serial number, and extensions
- CAs can sign end-entities as well as other CAs (hierarchically or by cross-signing)
- bridge CAs render a technical implementation of a shared policy (assurance)
- policy-bridges don't sign anything, but curate *distribution* (like browsers and operating systems based on CA/BF requirements, or the IGTF for research infras)

OIDC Fed - OpenID Connect Federation

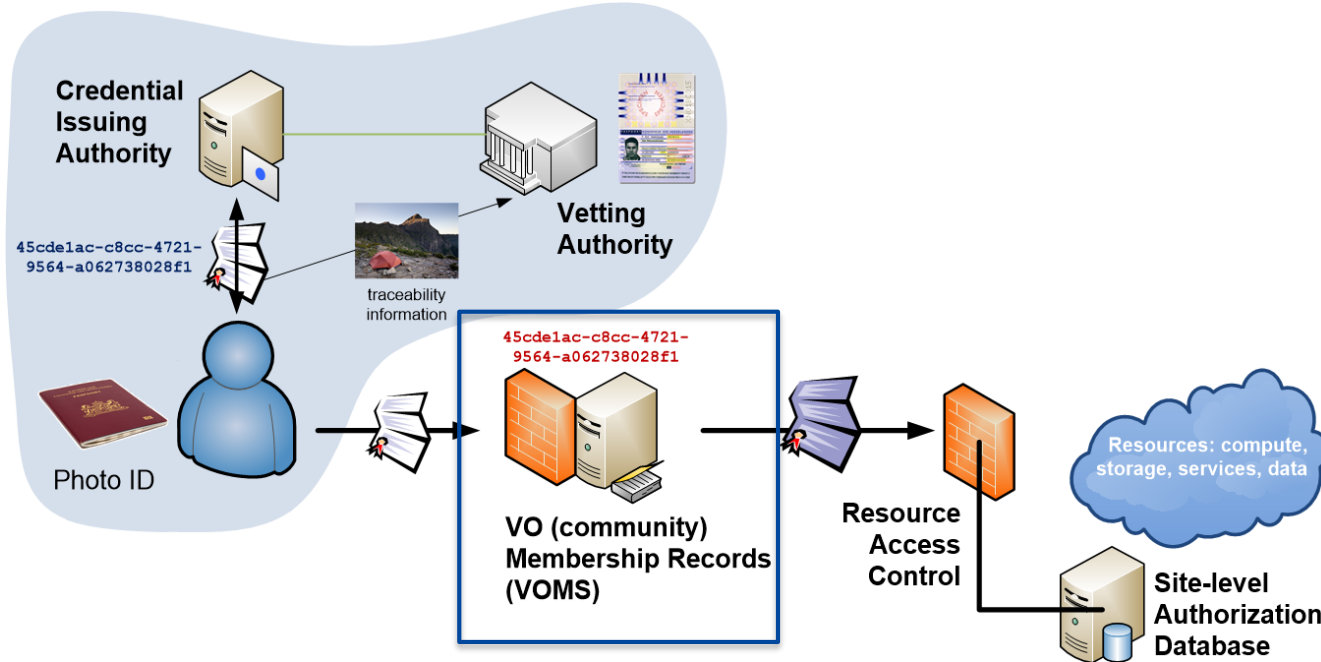
- for end-points for OIDC Providers and Relying Parties – otherwise quite similar

federation based on 'ultimate trust' domains (e.g. cross-realm Kerberos) also exists, but ...

See www.oasis.org for SAML, RFC5280 (tech) & RFC3247 (policy) for PKIX, <https://igtf.net/> and <https://cabforum.org>;
OpenID Connect Federation: https://openid.net/specs/openid-connect-federation-1_0.html

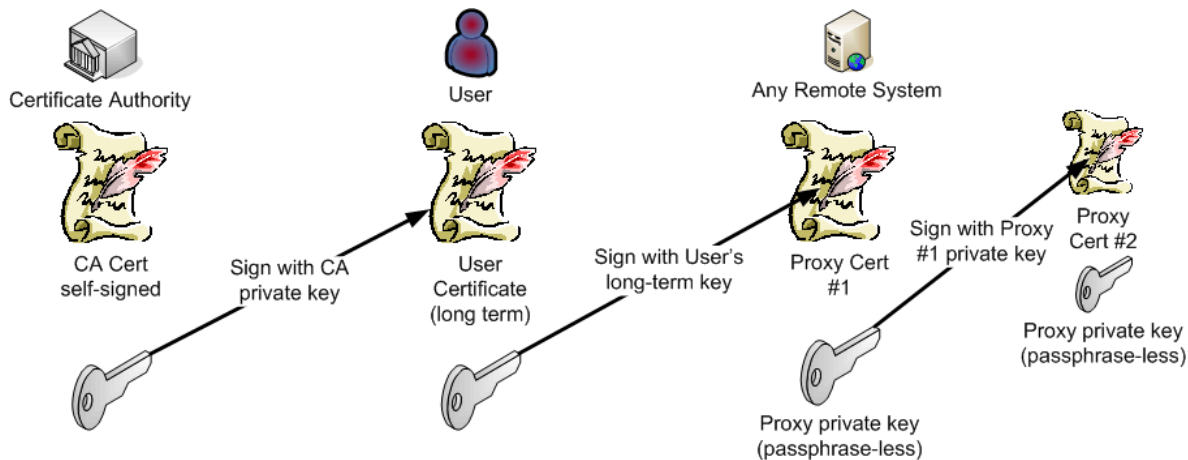
Identity federations give ... identity (“AuthN”)

Authorization (what may you do) still needs to be added to the mix



PKIX certificates using proxies also for *non-web access*

- Certificates are ASN.1 structures with (issuer, subject, serial) + extensions
- The digest (hash) signed with the private key of the issuer
- Verifiable using the issuer's public key



RFC3820 'proxy' certificates extend this concept to (restricted) identity delegation

To get an RFC3820 proxy certificate using your own federated identity, use RAuth.eu – see <https://rcdemo.nikhef.nl/> and use the "Basic Demo" option

An X.509 RFC5280 Certificate (textually)

Version: 3 (0x2)

Serial Number:

34:f3:e3:5f:c0:53:0b:a6:ef:2b:4a:79:01:b5:50:3b

Signature Algorithm: **sha384WithRSAEncryption**

Issuer: **C = NL, O = GEANT Vereniging, CN = GEANT eScience Personal CA 4**

Validity

Not Before: Apr 2 00:00:00 2022 GMT

Not After : May 2 23:59:59 2023 GMT

Subject: **DC = org, DC = terena, DC = tcs, C = NL, O = Nikhef, CN = David Groep davidg@nikhef.nl**

Subject Public Key Info:

Public Key Algorithm: **rsaEncryption**

RSA Public-Key: (4096 bit)

Modulus:

00:f0:0d:c0:ff:ee:f0:0d:f0:0d:c0:ff:ee:f0:0d:

...

ff:50:6d

Exponent: 65537 (0x10001)

X509v3 extensions:

X509v3 **Key Usage:** critical

Digital Signature, Key Encipherment

X509v3 Basic Constraints: critical

CA: FALSE

X509v3 **Extended Key Usage:**

E-mail Protection, TLS Web Client Authentication

X509v3 **Certificate Policies:**

Policy: 1.2.840.113612.5.2.2.5

You should be able to get a 'DOGWOOD' assurance certificate from RCauth.eu right now:

- go to <https://rcdemo.nikhef.nl/>
- select the 'Basic demo'
- use 'run non-VOMS' to get and view your short-lived certificate

are back-channel interactions

run non-VOMS demo

Seamless (eduGAIN) Access to (non-Web) Resources using PKIX?

Traditional workflow – using a client-held credential



Sectigo Certificate Manager

Access to Sectigo Certificate Manager

Choose Your Institution

Recent institutions

- Nikhef**
nikhef.nl
- CERN Service Provider Proxy**
cern.ch
- Maastricht University**

[+ Add another institution](#)

Works great *provided* the user understand the technology – and we may have found all users that know how to manage this 😞

```
Using username "davidg".
Authenticating with public key
nt
Last login: Thu Apr 13 17:43:46 2017 from 2a07.8500.120.e05b.
bosui(~) 16.15$ voms-proxy-init -voms dteam
Picked up JAVA_TOOL_OPTIONS: -Xmx512M
Enter GRID pass phrase for this identity:
Contacting voms2.hellasgrid.gr:15004 [/C=GR/O=HellasGrid/OU=h
s2.hellasgrid.gr] "dteam"...
Remote VOMS server contacted succesfully.

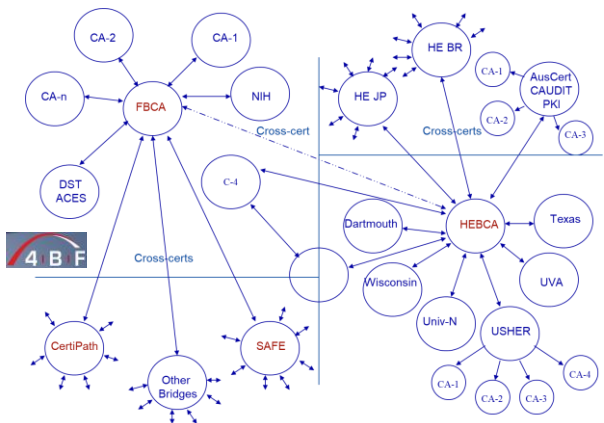
Created proxy in /tmp/x509up_u5917.

Your proxy is valid until Wed Apr 19 04:16:05 CEST 2017
bosui(~) 16.16$ █
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bosui(~) 16.25$ gsissh sgmlhcb@kot.nikhef.nl -p 1975 'id -a && hostname -f'
uid=991(sgmlhcb) gid=2015(lhcbsgm) groups=2015(lhcbsgm)
kot.nikhef.nl
bosui(~) 16.25$
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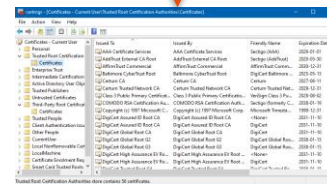
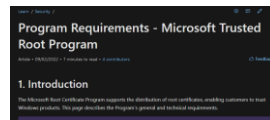
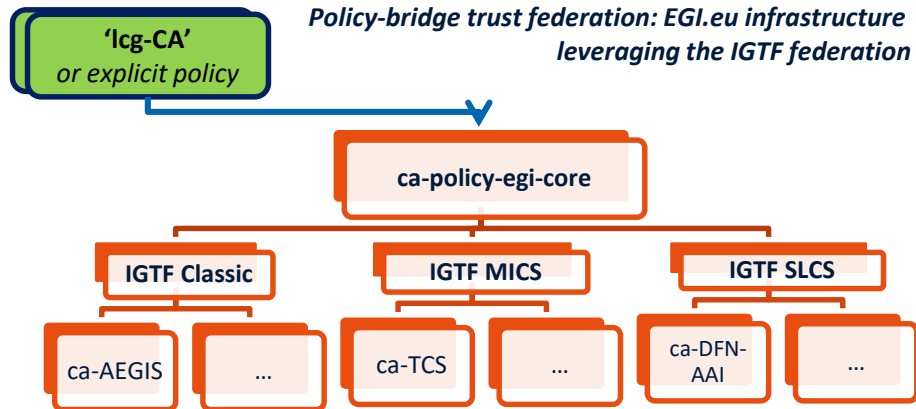
PKIX federation

trust remains with the relying party
 can be *bridged* by either cross-signing (left) or by policy agreements (right)



Left-hand image: 4 Bridges Forum, source: Scott Rea (then: Dartmouth)

Images: cabforum.org, WebTrust logo: from DigiCert.com; image MS root store, <https://learn.microsoft.com/en-us/security/trusted-root/program-requirements>



Policy-bridged global federations for research computing

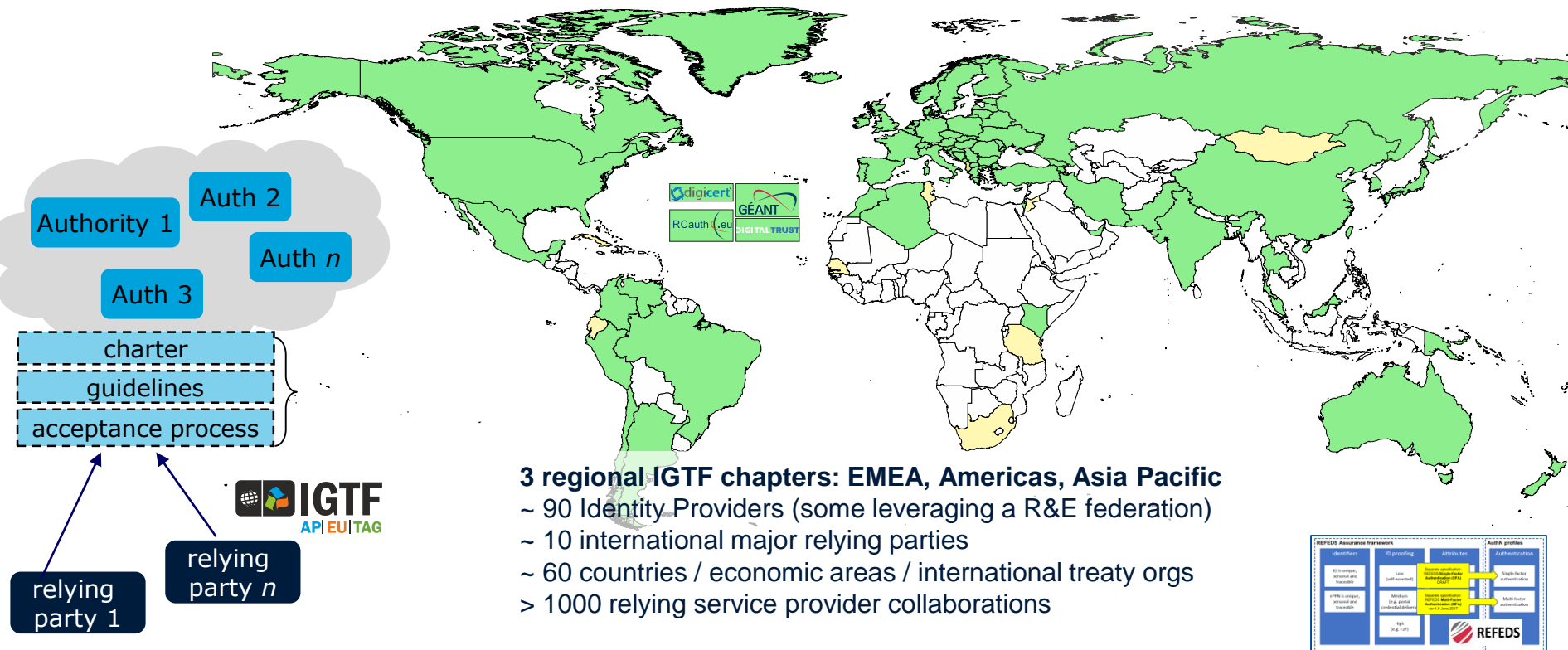
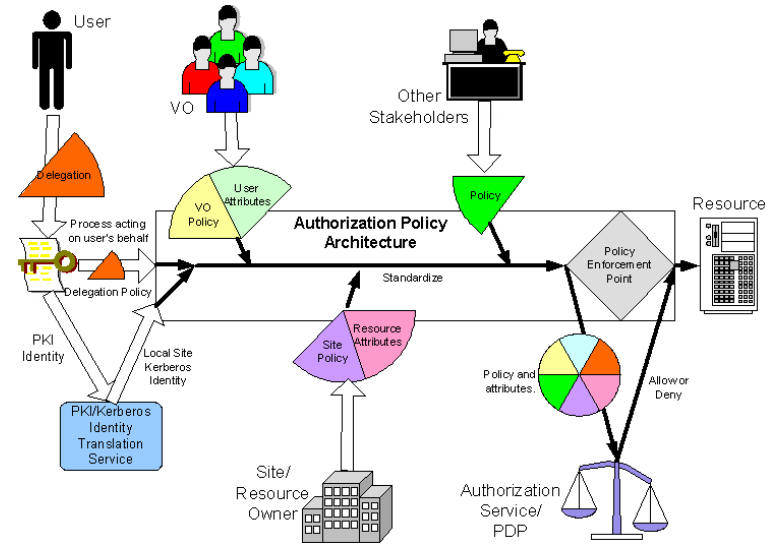
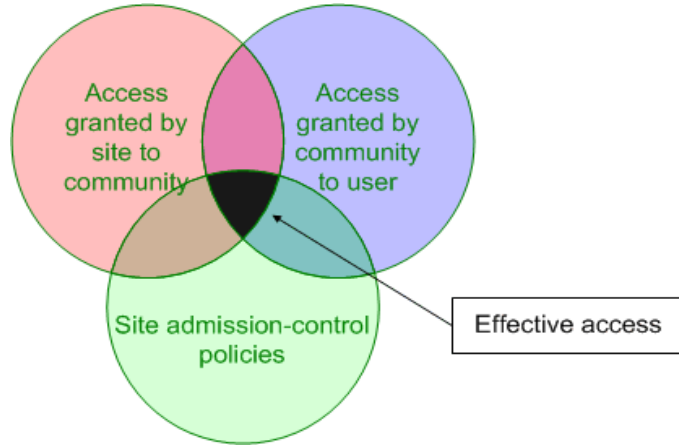


Image: Interoperable Global Trust Federation IGTF, <https://igtf.net/>; REFEDS Assurance Framework RAF: <http://refeds.org/assurance>, <https://refeds.org/profile/mfa>

Separating authN and authZ for access control

Access control ultimately enforced by service provider
(unless data-level encryption is used)

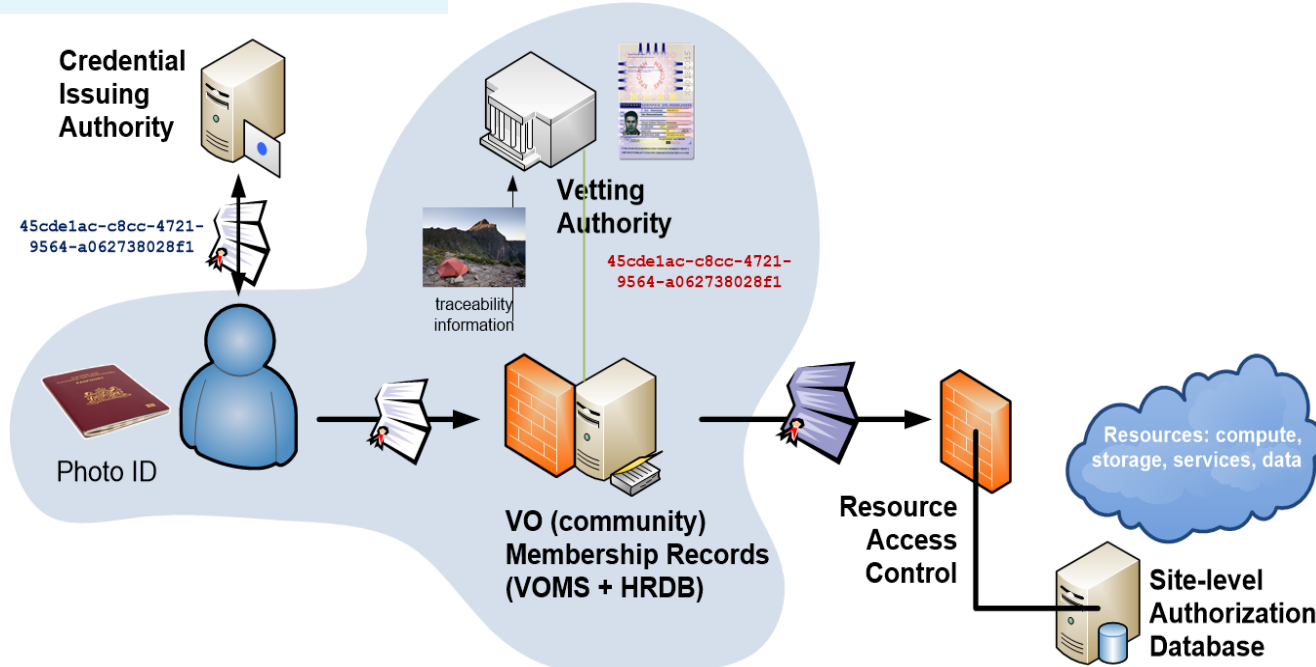
but role/attribute-based access control needs... attributes



policy overlap diagram by Olle Mulmo, KTH for EGEE-I JRA3, 'policy pie' from: OpenGrid Forum OGSA working group and Globus Alliance

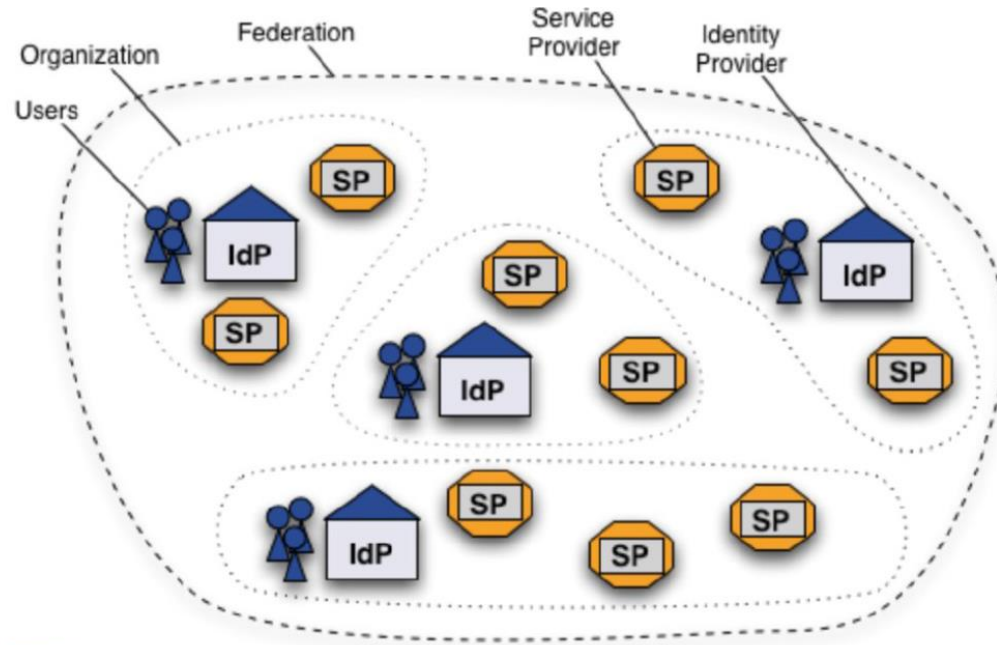
Separating source of authenticator and identity

'Identifier Only Trust Assurance',
i.e. *IOTA Certification Authorities*



SAML Federation

portability of identity information across otherwise autonomous administrative domains



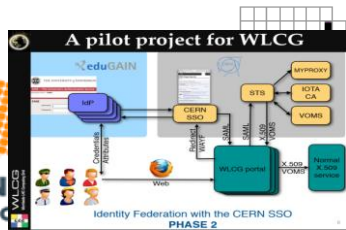
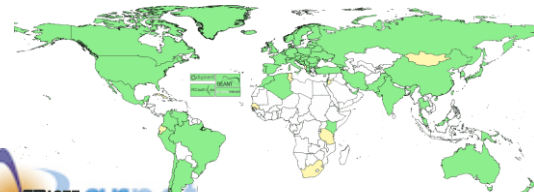
Shibboleth IdP image and SAML2 auth flow by SWITCH (CH) – see also <https://refeds.org/> on federation structure and (assurance and security) guidelines

Your favourite federated service?

The screenshot displays the SURF SPOT website interface. At the top left is the SURF SPOT logo with the tagline 'SMART DEALS FOR EDUCATION'. To the right are links for 'Klantenservice', a user profile dropdown labeled 'Mijn SURFspot', and a language selector set to 'English'. A search bar contains the text 'Zoeken naar...'. Below the navigation bar, a horizontal menu lists categories: Software, Hardware, Antivirus, E-learning, Online applicaties, and Thuiswerk. A secondary navigation bar features several promotional banners: 'Exclusieve studentenkorting', 'Eenvoudig inloggen met onderwijsaccount', 'Producten thuisbezorgd', and 'Klantscore 8,8 op Kiyoh'. A user menu is open, showing options: Dashboard, Persoonlijke gegevens, Bestellingen, Reviews, Nieuwsbrief, and Inloggen. The main content area includes a large teal banner for 'Studeren start bij SURFspot' with the text 'Kies je voor een Apple MacBook, Windows laptop of refurbished?' and a 'Bekijk de laptops' button. To the right are three product recommendation cards: 'IBM SPSS 29' with a 'Naar SPSS 29' button, 'Ben jij creatief?' for Adobe Creative Cloud with a 'Bestel direct' button, and 'Gratis Windows 11' with a 'Gratis upgrade' button.

<https://surfspot.nl/>

We live in a federated world!



SWITCHaai



AUSTRALIAN ACCESS FEDERATION



CONEXT



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SWAMID

slide inspiration: Licia Florio, NORDUNET



Implementation of eduGAIN
Future WG recommendations



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Identity Federations

5100+

Identity Providers

3600+

Service Providers

But just identity federation with your home organisation is not enough

- Access services using **identities from their Home Organizations**.
- **Access** services **based on role(s)** users have in the **collaboration**. This info is not known to IdPs/eduGAIN.
- Secure integration of **guest identity solutions** and **support for stronger authentication** mechanisms.
- Requirement for **one persistent identity** across all the community's services when needed and **account linking**.
- **Web** and **non-web** resources
- **Hide complexity** of multiple IdPs/feds/At Auth/ technologies.



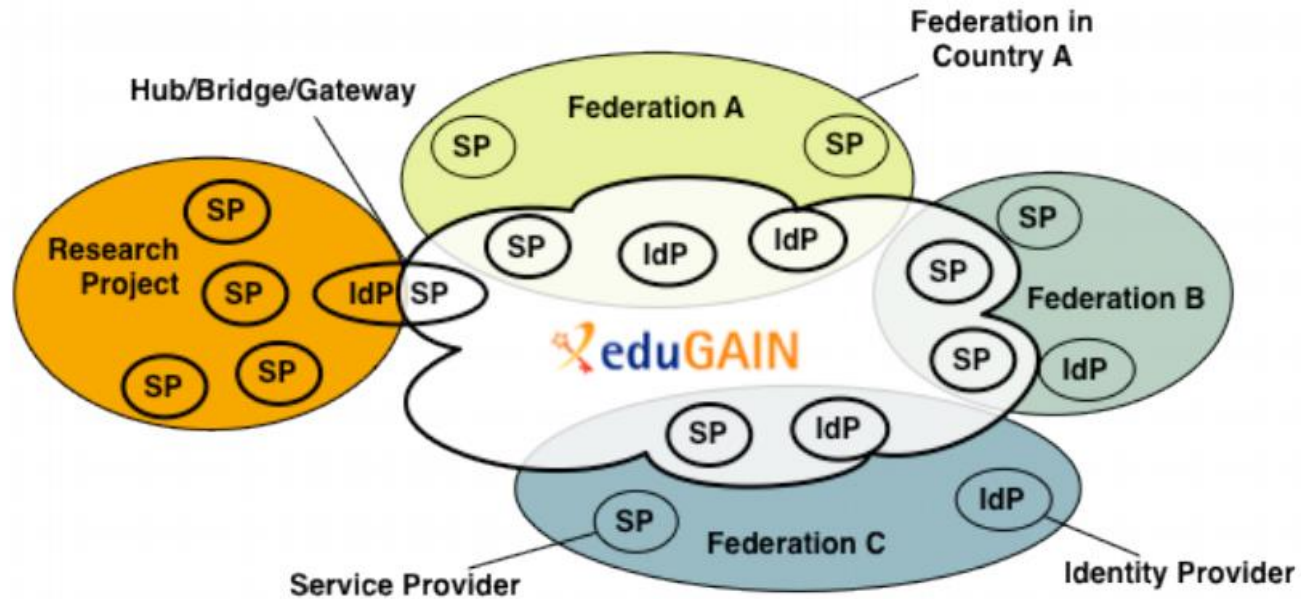
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Federation in research and e-Infrastructures: command-line and brokered access

For 'CLI-based' access and brokering (workflow management) for non-web services X.509 technology and 'RFC3820 proxies' are great ... but end-user PKI is relatively complex:

- Infrastructures move to hiding PKIX from the end-user and move to OIDC and Tokens
 - Fewer credentials to manage, appearing 'simpler' to the user
- Bridging and translation is a pragmatic approach for cases where PKIX worked better
 - Does not require major technical changes in existing R&E federations
 - Allows for community-centric identities-of-last-resort (or first resort, for that matter...)
 - Allows time for introduction of other technologies, such as OIDC and OAuth2 tokens
- Token translation in many infrastructures that use CLI or brokerage
 - Project MinE, EGI, ...
 - translation in any way: SAML→OIDC, SAML→X509, X509→OIDC, X509→SAML, OIDC→X509

Proxies



Federation with SP Proxy image by: SWITCH (CH)

Federated access for research collaboration – AARC

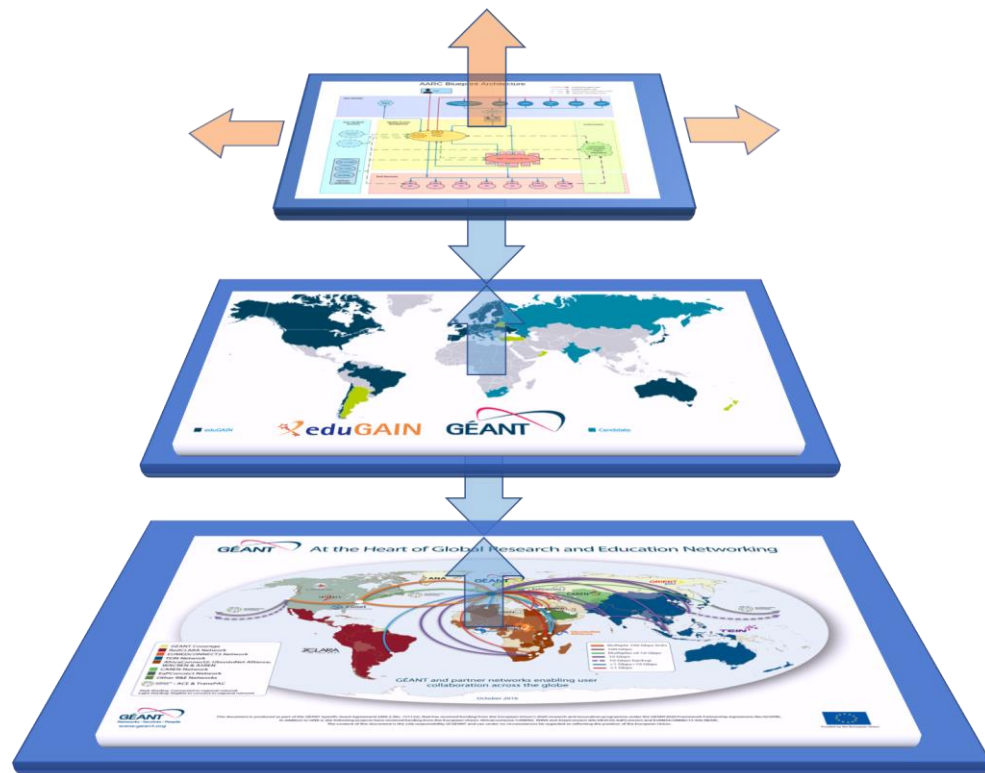
Authentication and Authorization architecture for Research Collaboration

A set of building blocks on top of eduGAIN for international Research Collaboration

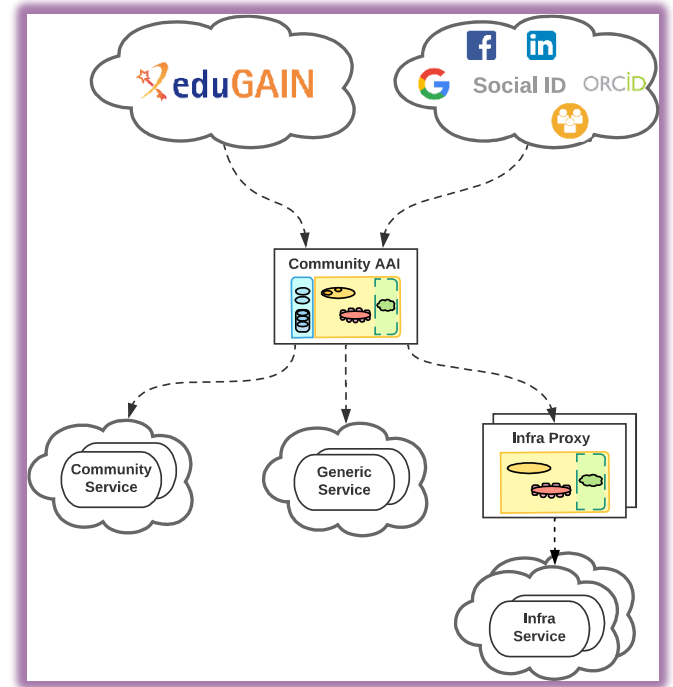
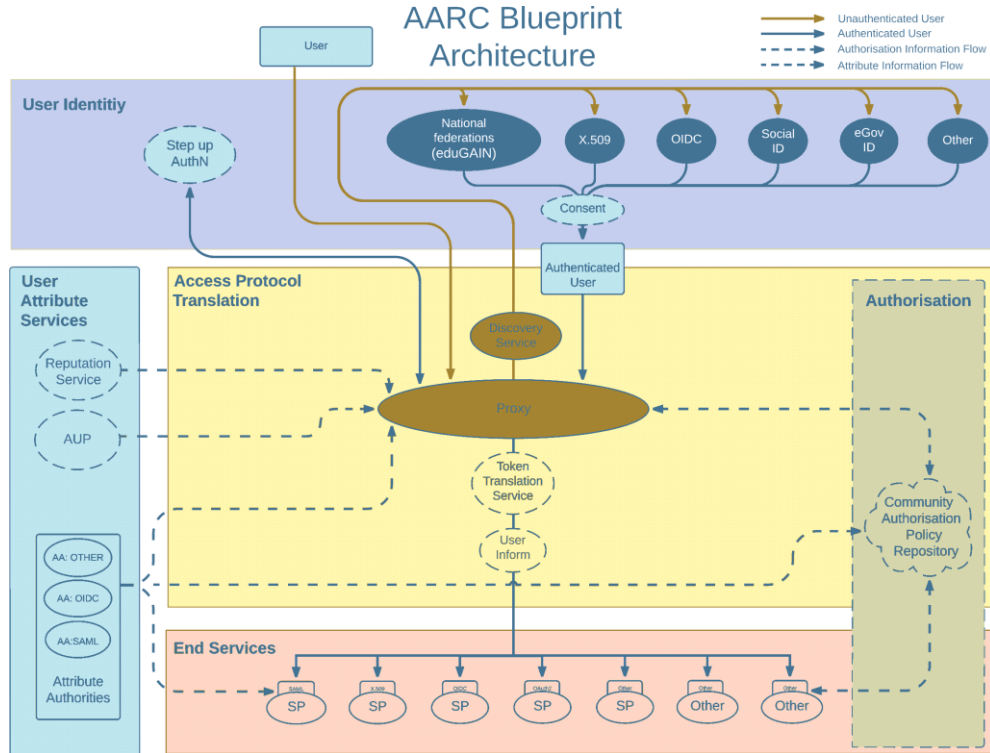
eduGAIN and the Identity Federations

Foundational federated access in R&E

Network connectivity



Most trust flows from the (research) community



AARC Blueprint Architecture (2019) AARC-G045 <https://aarc-community.org/guidelines/aarc-g045/>; stacked proxies: EOSC AAI Architecture EOSC Authentication and Authorization Infrastructure (AAI), ISBN 978-92-76-28113-9, <http://doi.org/10.2777/8702>

Federated Access

Login via the Nikhef service proxy to gitlab, ifosim.org, ...

“Where are you from”

discovery screen showing entities from the eduGAIN global interederation



ifosim federated AAI integration implementation by Mischa Sallé; per-country WAYF selection is a bespoke Nikhef WAYF feature

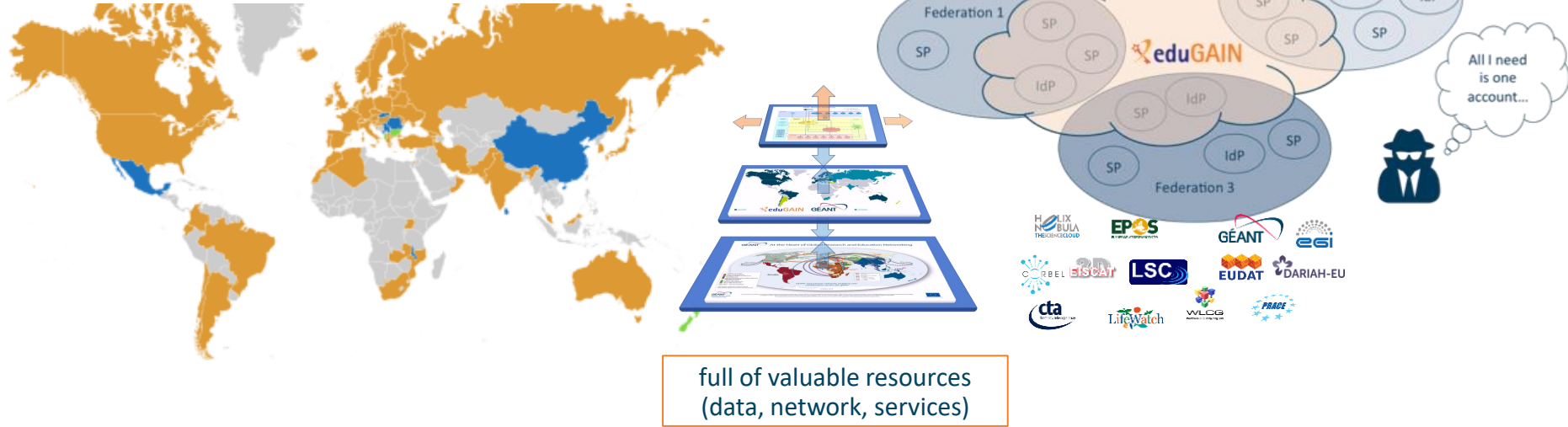
But what did we now enable?

Collaborative security

Sirtfi

Testing resilience and Sirtfi v2

Now *what* have we built?!



We have federation and single sign-on ...
... but can we share security information when needed?
... timely and confidentially, protecting everyone's reputation?

left: eduGAIN inter-federation extent in 2020; logos on the right from the European e-Infrastructures and ESFRIs; center graphic: AARC collaboration

Sirtfi – Security Incident Response Trust framework for Federated Identity



A means by which to enable a **coordinated response to a security incident in a federated context** that does not depend on a centralised authority or governance structure to assign roles and responsibilities for doing so.



Defines a set of capabilities and roles associated with security incident response that an IdP or SP **organisation self-asserts**. The Sirtfi trust framework posits that organisations asserting conformance with these will coordinate their response to security incidents.

Derived from the first four elements of the SCI Framework:

- **Operational Security:** patch and vulnerability management; IDS and threat mitigation; service ownership management; user suspension and termination; CSIRT capability
- **Incident Response:** CSIRT contact in meta-data; timely response; collaborate in IR; defined processes; privacy respect; TLP information sharing
- **Traceability:** timestamped accurate logs are available; log retention process in place
- **Participant Responsibilities:** users agree to an AUP; awareness and acceptance of the AUP

<https://refeds.org/SIRTFI>

A question of *when*, not *if*

Command & Control service killed...

Communication:

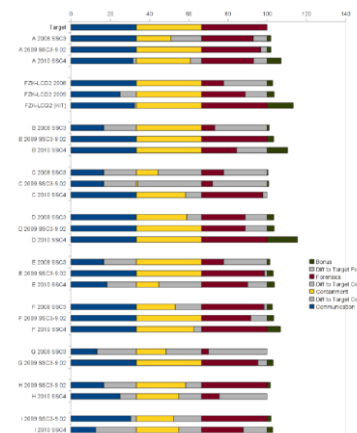
- Endpoints valid?
- Form/Content OK ?

Containment

- Ban "malicious" users
- Find/Stop malicious processes
- Find submission IP

Forensics

- Basic Forensics on binary
- Network traffic



Nikhef CSIRT Traceability Challenge

Introduction

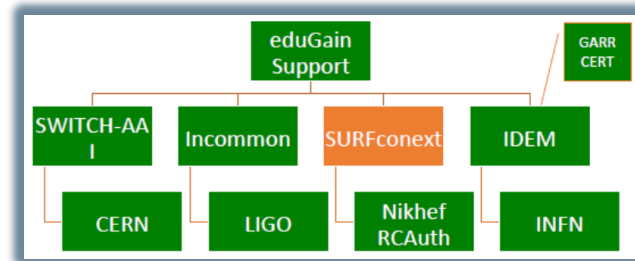
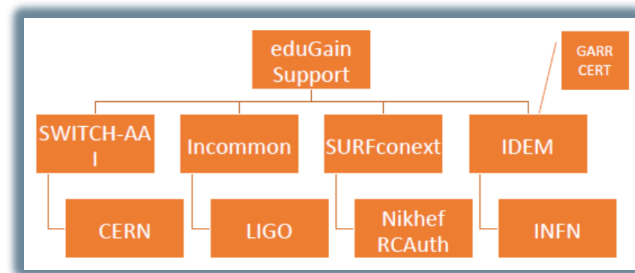
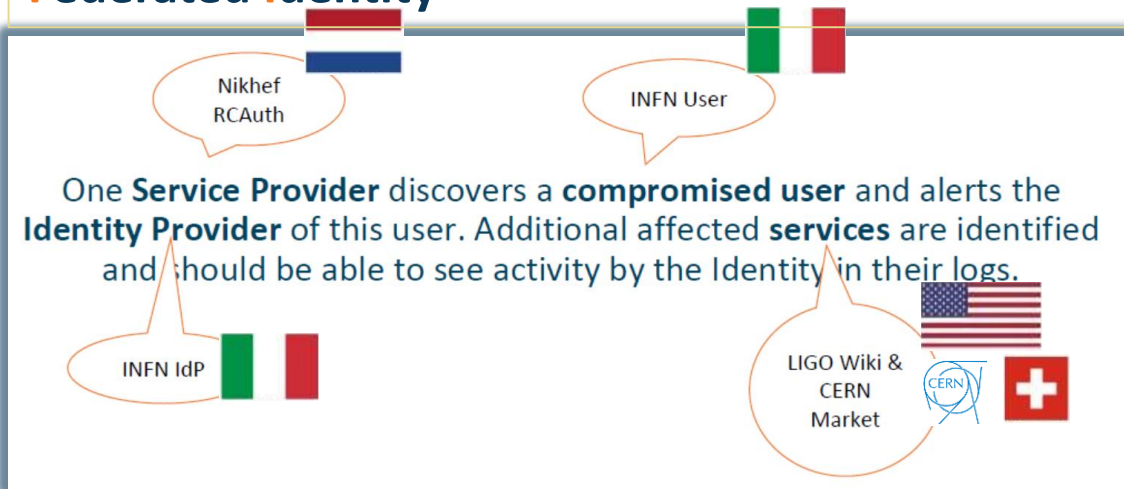
Deze Traceability Challenge bestaat uit drie onderdelen, in (naar verwachting) oplopende moeilijkheidsgraad. Iedere challenge begint met een externe 'trigger' – aan het eind van dit document staan de hints en de goede (of in ieder geval: de 'gewenste') oplossing.

Veel plezier!

A federated community security challenge

Can we coordinate our collective R&E response?
'challenges' based on the *Sirtfi* contact model

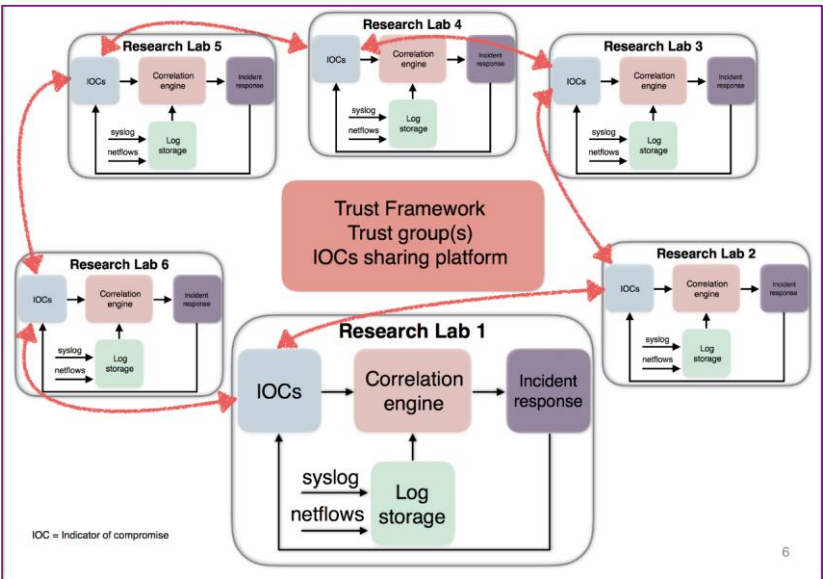
Security Incident Response Trust Framework for Federated Identity



parties involved in response challenge

Report-outs see <https://wiki.geant.org/display/AARC/Sirtfi+Communications+Challenges%2C+AARC2-TNA3.1>

Sharing threat intel – working with our community

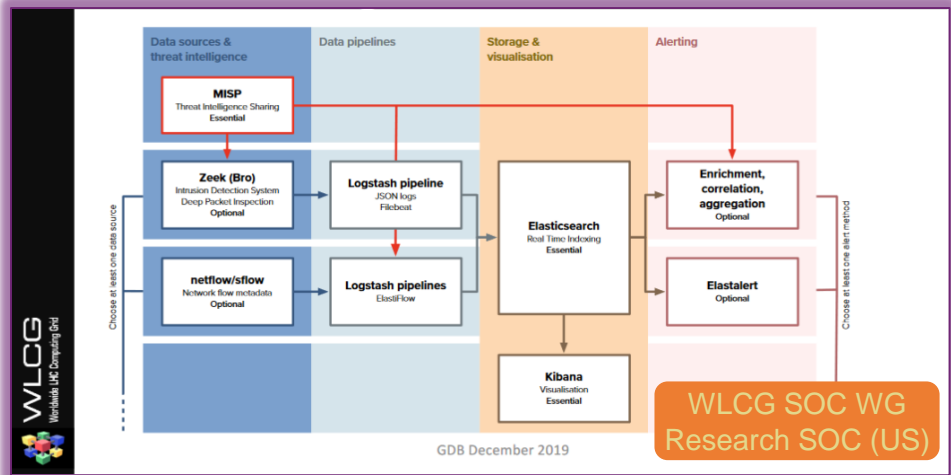


OSINT - CVE-2015-2545: overview of current threats

Event ID	3865	Related Events	2016-05-27 (8883)	Org: CIRCL
Url	57460963-76ds-4272-8116-4ea3029a0b01	2016-05-23 (8844)	Date: 2016-05-23	
Org	CIRCL	2016-05-06 (8839)	Info: OSINT - Operation Kacikchang Resurfaces With New TidePool Malware	
Owner org	CIRCL			
Contributors				
Email	alexandre.dulaunoy@circl.lu			
Tags	ip:white cve:osint-feed type:osint estimative-language:likelihood-probability="very-likely"			
Date	2016-05-25			
Threat Level	Medium			
Analysis	Completed			
Distribution	All communities			
Info	OSINT - CVE-2015-2545; overview of current threats			
Published	Yes			
Lightnings	0 (0)			



AARC I-051 Guide to federated incident response
<https://aarc-community.org/guidelines/aarc-i051/>



Nikhef SOC – NDPF traffic analysis

many 'false warnings' when industry-standard (Suricata) rules are used.
You need R&E specific ones!



Query Lucene query **Alias** alias patterns

Metric Count

Group by Date Histogram @timestamp Interval: auto

Logs

8
6
4
2
0

07:54:00 07:54:30 07:55:00 07:55:30 07:56:00 07:56:30 07:57:00 07:57:30 07:58:00 07:58:30 07:59:00 07:59:30

— unknown

Time Unique labels Wrap lines Dedup none exact number

2020-08-25 07:59:50 1

Parsed Fields:

- ._id 2020-08-25T05:59:58.000Z
- ._source SRAsJHQBg1VRchyiyZz
- ._type suricata-fast-2020.08.25
- ._type [object Object]
- ._type _doc
- ._type 21
- ._type local15
- ._type bron
- ._type [1:2000418:16] ET POLICY Executable and linking for
- ._type 94.171.102.47:33084
- ._type 520488
- ._type 169

```
inetnum: 141.85.0.0 - 141.85.255.255
netname: PUB-NET
country: RO
tech-c: GB6367-RIPE
status: LEGACY
mnt-by: RIPE-NCC-LEGACY-MNT
```

```
[1:2000418:16] ET POLICY Executable and linking format (EL F) file download [Classification: Potential Corporate Privacy Violation] [Priority: 1] {TCP} 141.85.240.238 1095 -> 194.171.102.47:33084
```

NikhefSOC/NDPF ELK setup: Jouke Roorda

Scalable credential translation in the AARC BPA ... building RCauth.eu

Leveraging federation for ubiquitous, compatible
research and collaboration identity credentials

Ingredients for credential minting & token translation

eduGAIN (global R&E) Entity Categories

Curated grouping of entities
'REFEDS R&S'
this is a research service

'DP CoCo'
abides by GDPR

'Sirtfi'
cares for security response



slower adoption process
adding identity assurance needs
action at all 60+ Feds & 4k+ IdPs

e-Infrastructure IGTF Authentication Profiles

Common baseline and profiles
co-defined by relying parties

user-centric ID harmonisation
with unique global naming
'BIRCH'

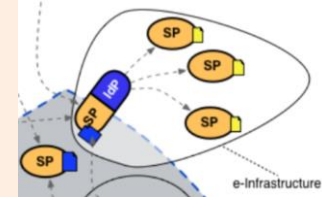
real person with real name

'DOGWOOD'
persistent linkable identifier



research-specific user base

Use of proxy bridging components



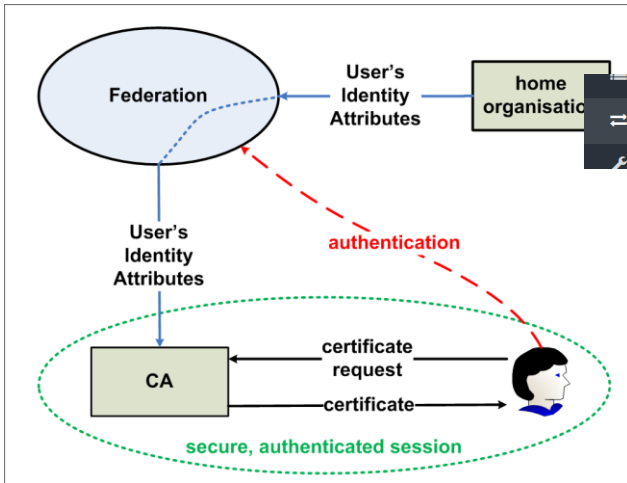
Identity and access 'proxy'
harmonised eduGAIN IdPs

based on entity categories
leverage Sirtfi and 'R&S'
proxying is bi-directional

responsibility on the proxy operator

Bridges and Token Translation Services

GEANT Trusted Certificate Service

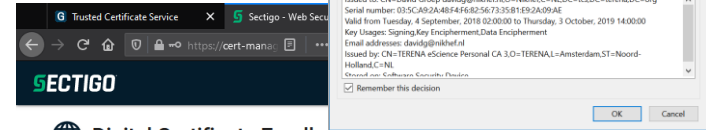


Organization Mapping

Organization Mapping

+ New Mapping

Organization	Attributes
Nikhef	nikhef
FORM INSTITUTE AMOLF	



Digital Certificate Enrollment

You have been authorized to enroll for a digital certificate. Please validate that your name and email addresses are correct.

Name: David Groep
Email: davidg@nikhef.nl
Organization: Nikhef

Please select the correct certificate profile and desired private key format. If a private key is generated a password is required to protect the download.

Certificate Profile

- GÉANT Personal Certificate
- GÉANT IGTF-MICS Personal
- GÉANT IGTF-MICS-Robot Personal

Private Key

- Generate RSA
- Generate ECC
- Upload CSR No file chosen

P12 Password:

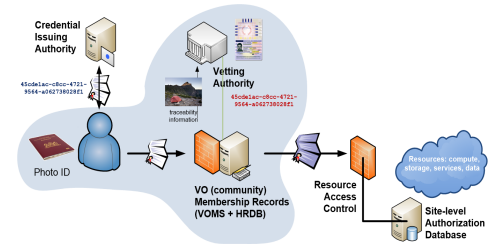
P12 Password Confirmation:

TCS (today: Sectigo) acts as SAML Service provider to eduGAIN: eligible authenticated users can obtain client certificate for access and delegation to services

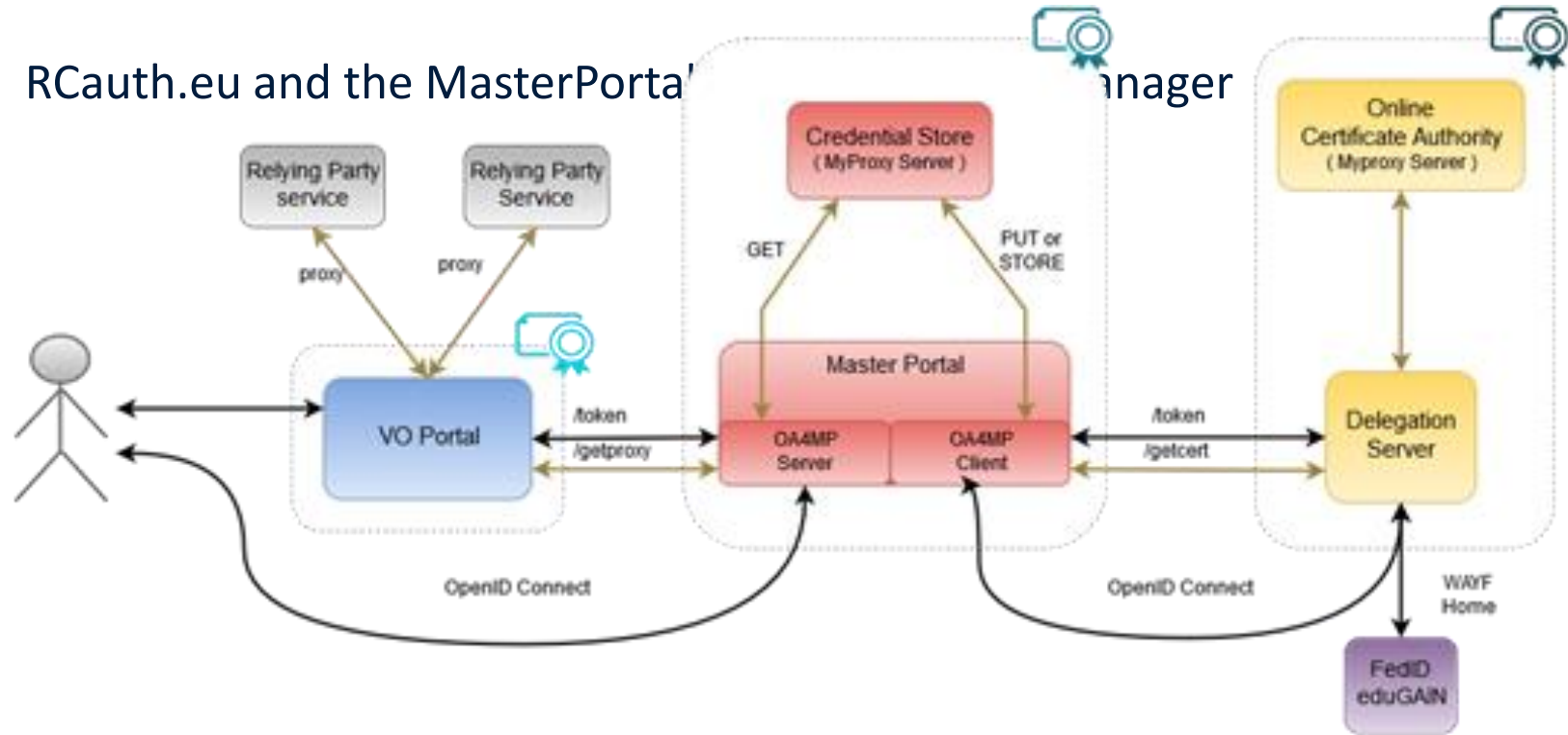


A 'CILogon-like' Token Translations Service – RCauth.eu

- Ability to serve a large pan-European+ user base without national restrictions
 - without specific national participation requirement (serve sparsely distributed users)
- Use existing resources and e-Infrastructure services
 - no need for revise security model at resource centres or at infrastructure level
- Integrate science gateways and portals with minimal effort
 - only light-weight industry-standard protocols
- Support attribute-cert community membership services
 - support community membership via attribute certificates, also for science portal access to e-Infrastructure
- Concentrate service elements that require security expertise
 - not burden research communities with care for security-sensitive service components
 - keep a secure credential management model
 - coordinate compliance and accreditation



- RCauth.eu and the MasterPortal



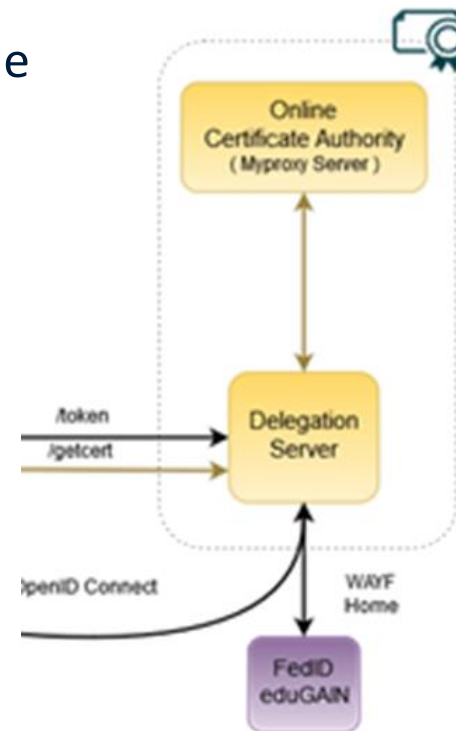
RCauth.eu – a white-label IOTA CA in Europe



- Cover as much as R&E Federated (Europe++) as possible
- Scoped to research and collaborative use cases
- In a scalable and sustainable deployment model

<https://rcauth.eu/>

<https://rcdemo.nikhef.nl/>



Service inspired by and using components (such as the DS) from Jim Basney's CILogon, see <https://www.cilogon.org/docs/20141030-basney-cilogon.pdf>

The joys of global interfederation

global IdPs in eduGAIN and
the quest for a reasonable, non-reassigned name

Our Registration Authorities: the Federated IdPs

- distributed RAs: the *eligible IdPs*
 - connected through a Federated Identity Management System (FIMS)
 - primarily: ensemble of IdPs in eduGAIN that meet the policy requirements of this CA
- eligible applicants are all affiliated to an RA



Three eligibility models

1. Direct relationship CA-IdP, with agreement declaration
2. Rest of eduGAIN: – “Sirtfi” security incident response and OpSec capabilities plus
– REFEDS “R&S section 6” non-reassigned identifiers and applicant name are required, and tested via statement in ‘meta-data’ and by releasing the proper attributes
3. within the Netherlands, SURFconext Annex IX* already ensures compliance for all IdPs
“IdPs within eduGAIN are deemed to have entered materially into an agreement with the CA”

Unique certificated from FIM via eduPerson and REFEDS R&S

Sources of naming and uniqueness, that work *today*

- **eduPersonPrincipalName** – scoped point-in-time unique identifier, which could be, but usually is not, privacy preserving: “davidg@nikhef.nl”, “P70081609@maastrichtuniversity.nl”
- **eduPersonTargetedID** – scoped transient non-reassigned identifier, like urn:geant:nikhef.nl:nikidm:idp:sso!27c8d63ed42c84af2875e2984
- **subject-id** - a scoped persistent non-reassigned identifier, which should be privacy-preserving: 44f7751265a6e8b228f9@nikhef.nl

Plus the (domain-name based) schacHomeOrganisation and a ‘**representation of the real name**’

/DC=eu/DC=rcauth/DC=rcauth-clients/O=orgdisplayname/CN=commonName +uniqueness

uniqueness will added to commonName via hashing of *ePPN*, *ePTID*, *subject-id*, so that an enquiry via the issuer allows unique identification of the vetted entity”

CommonName – the big challenge

Requirement

- Contain ‘a representation of the real name of the applicant’ as asserted by the IdP
- *the purely ‘opaque’ option is not very friendly to downstream services*

Does the IdP give the attributed from which to construct the real name – globally?

commonName – should be readable element in printable 7-bit chars

‘REFEDS R&S’ gives a subset of attributes that should be released:

1. the *displayName* attribute from the IdP
2. the *givenName* attribute, followed by a space, followed by the *sn* attribute from the IdP
3. the *commonName* (cn) attribute from the IdP

but we need to make it printable in ASCII

We tried using *java.text.Normalizer.Form.NFD* and map the remainder to “X”, which gives:

If IdP sends us this UTF-8	Representation in CN RDN
Józsi Bácsi	Jozsi Bacsi
Guðrún Ósvífursdóttir	GuXrun Osvifursdottir
Χρηστος Κανελλοπουλος	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
簡禎儀	XXX

Oops!

Also Νικόλας Λιαμπότης might not like that ... and I understand ...

java.text.Normalizer.Form.NFD and ‘X-ing’ the rest particularly bad for Greeks, Bulgarians, Chinese, Georgians, Thai, Armenians, Serbians, ...

ICU - International Components for Unicode (icu-project.org) appears to be better, but:

- there are many options for transliteration
- some code points shared between different languages, that prefer different transliterations
- some code points are absent even in UTF-8 causing ambiguity

So we moved to using ICU, but even then the mapping is not trivial:

UTF-8 $\xrightarrow{\text{ICU}}$ Latin-1 $\xrightarrow{\text{ICU}}$ ASCII $\xrightarrow{\text{regex}}$ IA5String (we need PrintableString + “@” and minus [:/=])

thanks go to Mischa Sallé for the transliteration studies (and much more), ICU is available from <https://icu.unicode.org/>

And straightforward translation is not always good

Just Any-Latin fails for Slavonic unique “sh” sounds. E.g. for ‘Миша’

- with *Any-Latin* becomes ‘Miša’ which then translates into ‘Misa’ after the Latin-Ascii but quite some people called ‘Миша’ want to see ‘Mischa’, but not all, so you need
- first *Russian-Latin/BGN*, making it ‘Misha’, which is slightly better, then do *Any-Latin* (1-to-1)
- but “*Russian-Latin/BGN+Serbian-Latin/BGN*” is different from the reverse ...

First Any-Latin/BGN, then Any-Latin, to fix mapping to → š and the → s

- Բարեւ աշխարհ → Barev ashkharh (with the /BGN, to ensure the “sh”)
- ישראל → ysr'el (taken care of without the /BGN, otherwise the ש never makes it)




And Unicode does not distinguish the *diaeresis* and the *umlaut*

- Günter Strauß → Gunter Strauss *should* have been ‘Guenter Strauss’
- Daniëlle → Danielle is good, you definitely don’t want ‘Danieelle’

As the so for stability, we keep Any-Latin here and treat all as a diaeresis

For our multi-federated world, we ended up with

So the (for now) best combination seems to be the ordered transformation:

```
Transliterator.getInstance( "Russian-Latin/BGN;" +  
    "Serbian-Latin/BGN;" +  ordering to retain "u" → "sh"  
    "Greek-Latin/UNGEGN;" +  
    "[:Nonspacing Mark:] remove;" +  
    "Any-Latin/BGN;" +  
    "Any-Latin;" +  Fixes greek Λ adding a useless space  
    "Latin-Ascii"  Retain proper "sh" when coming from  
); Armenian or Hebrew by /BGN first  
  
result.replaceAll("[^\\p{Lower}\\p{Upper}\\p{Digit}'()+,-.?!@]", "X");
```

What will we get?

```
$ java -cp icu4j-59_1.jar:. transliterate2 [...]
  "Józsi Bácsi" "Guðrún Ósvífursdóttir" \
  "Χρηστος Κανελλοπουλος" "簡禎儀"
```

Input: Józsi Bácsi

Output: Jozsi Bacsı

Input: Guðrún Ósvífursdóttir

Output: Gudrun Osvifursdottir

Input: Χρηστος Κανελλοπουλος

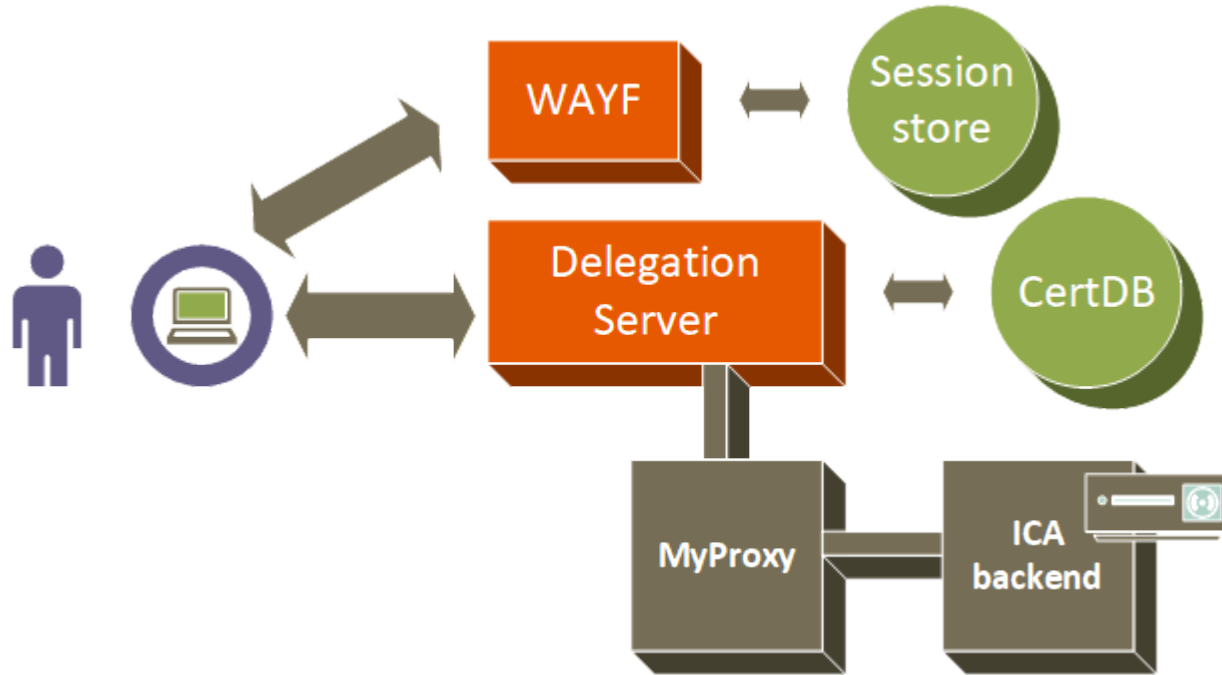
Output: Christos Kanellopoulos

Input: 簡禎儀

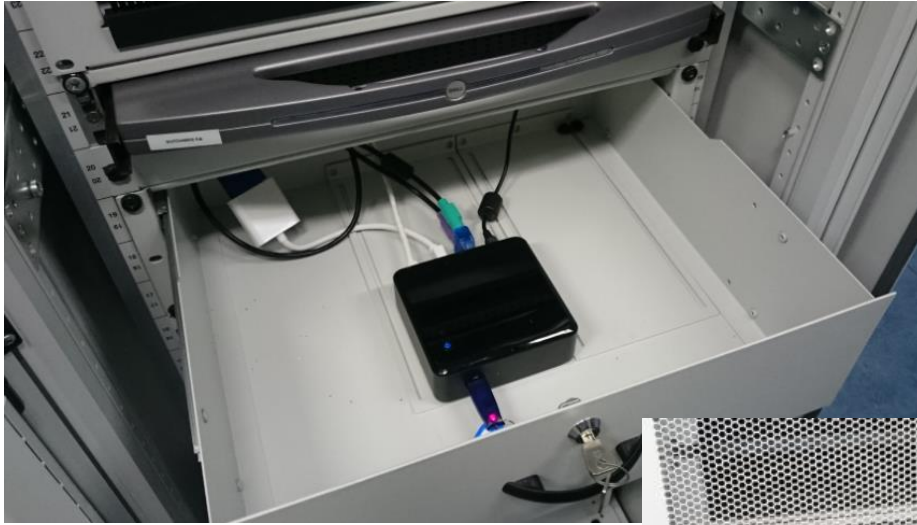
Output: jian zhen yi

Building the initial RCauth.eu

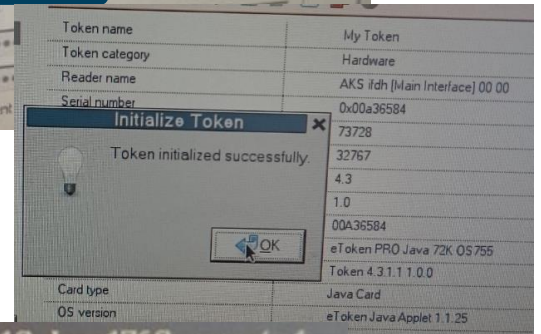
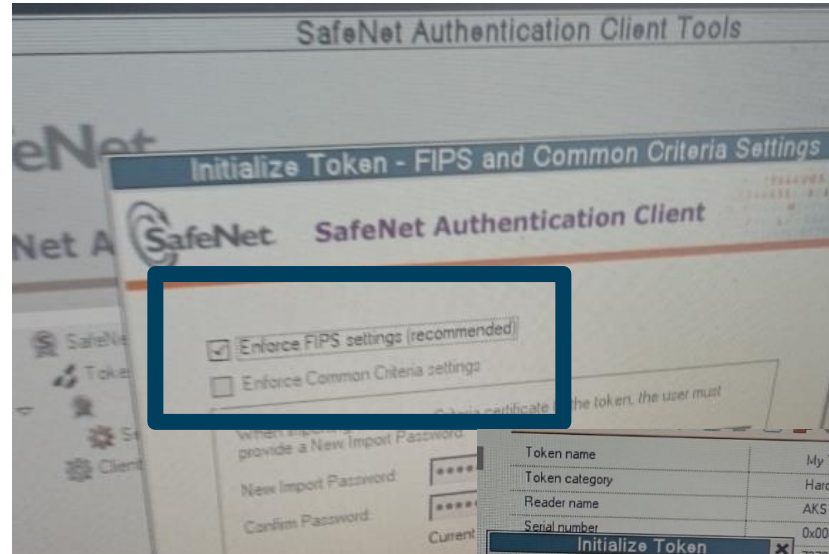
From a single instance ...



A fully compliant 'Heath Robinson' CA



It is on the HSM ...



```
[root@ca ~]# dd if=/dev/random of=/mnt/pilot-ica-1.p12 bs=4769 count=1
```

Physical controls



- Located at Nikhef, Amsterdam, NL
 - Scientific Data Centre part of the NikhefHousing Facilities
 - ID based access control, 24hr guard on-site
 - CA and security systems in locked dedicated cabinet on 2nd floor
- On-line CA signing system in locked drawer

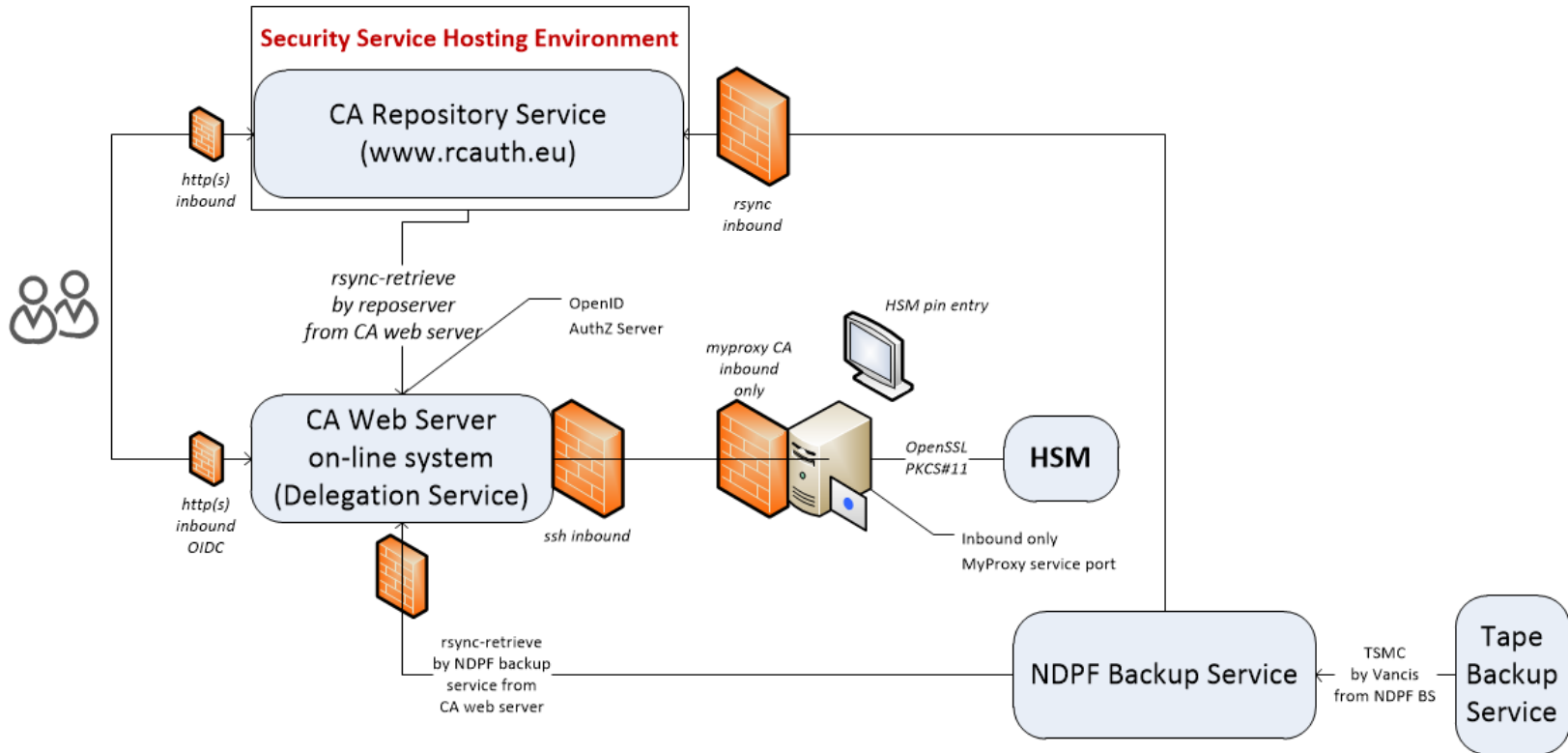
CA signing system



Delegation Server



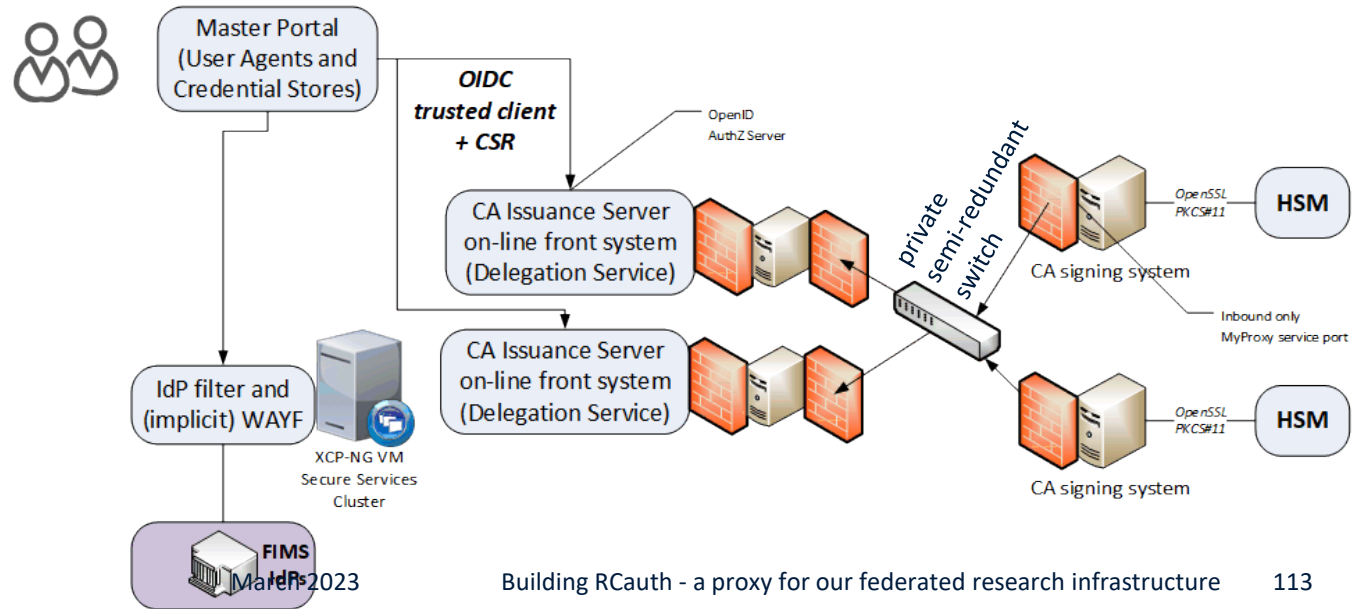
Logical set-up



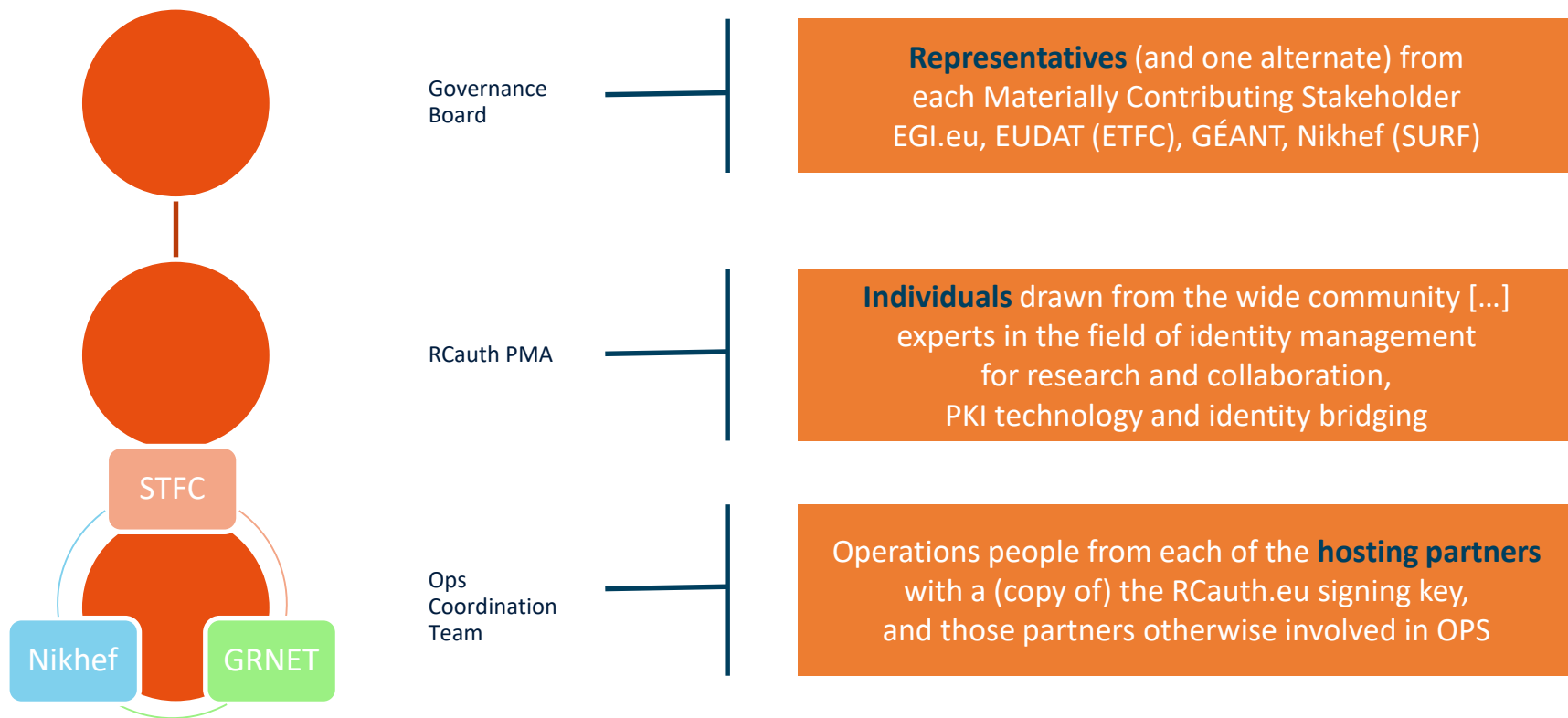
A local highly-available setup at Nikhef Amsterdam

- Most 'fault-prone' components are
 - Intel NUC (single power supply)
 - HSM (can lock itself down, and the USB connection is prone to oxidation)
 - DS front-end servers (physical hardware, albeit with redundant disks and powersupplies)

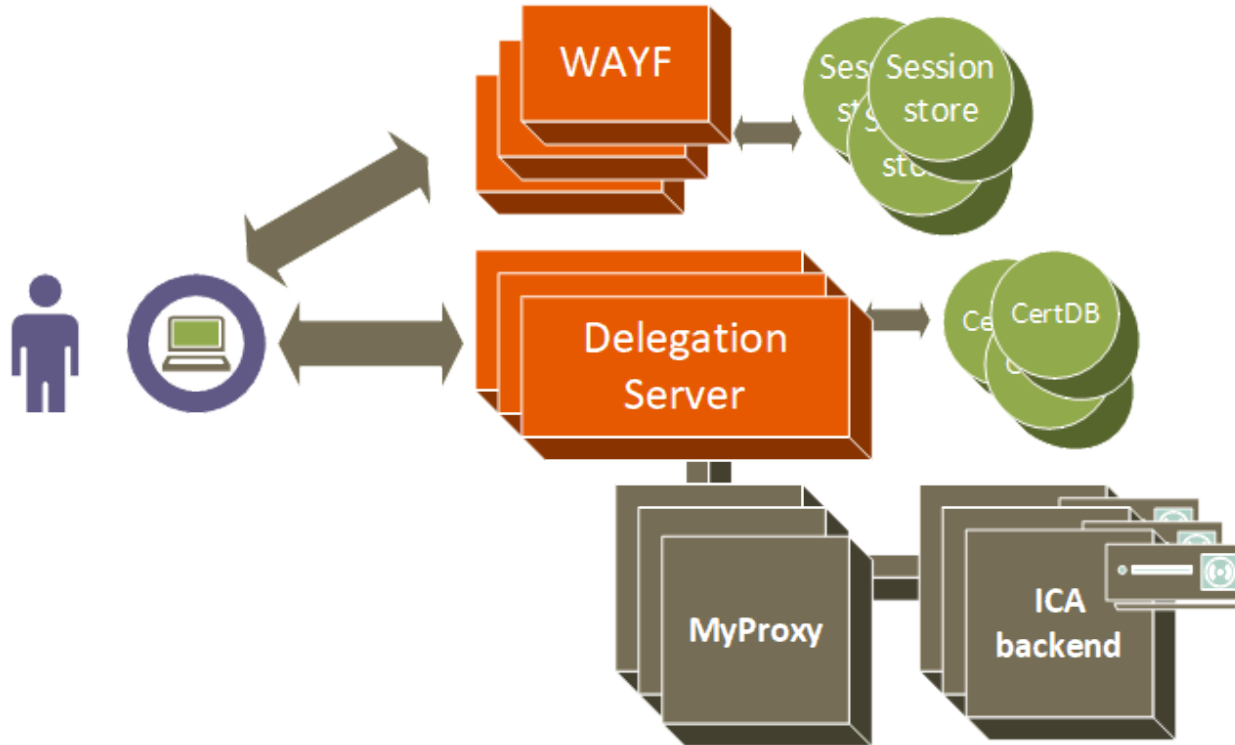
Eliminated first using 'local HA'



Distributing RCauth.eu across three cooperating sites



... to a 3-fold continuously-consistent setup



HA solutions

Local high availability, three distinct providers?

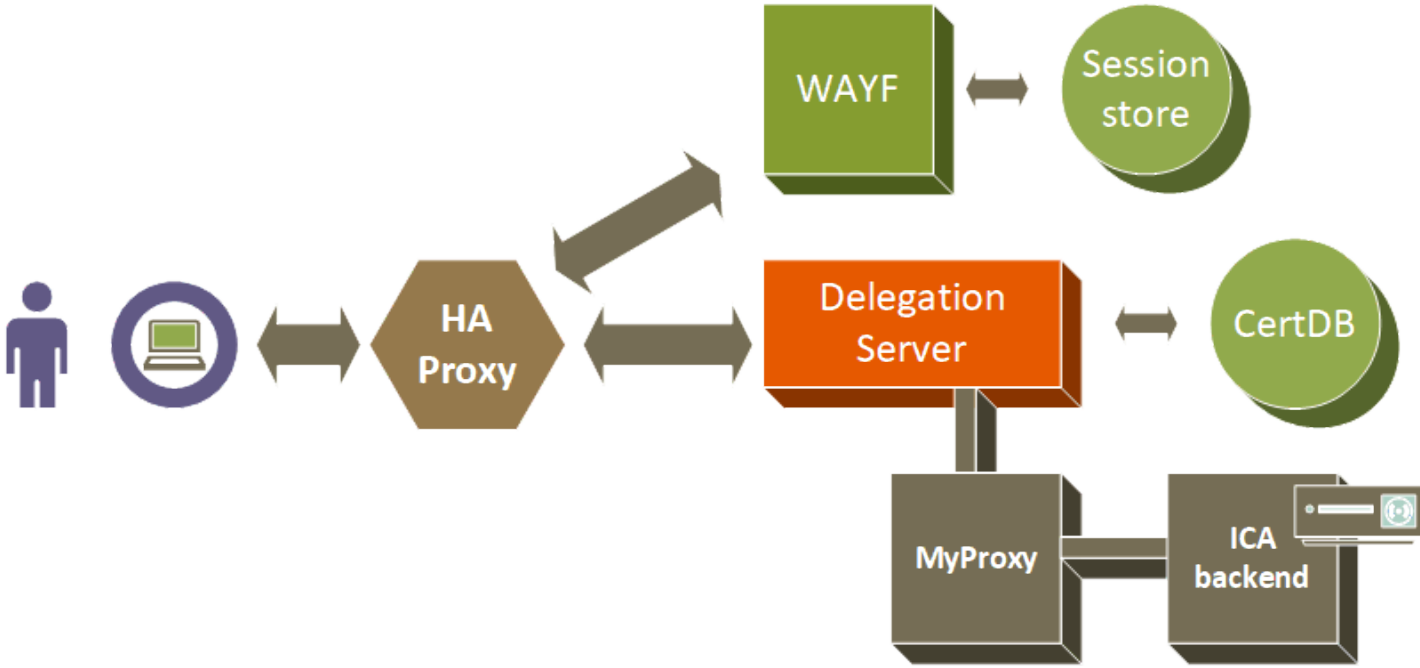
- pushes account linking burden to the relying parties/service providers
- users may have 3 credentials, which is confusing
- a single identifier would require ‘ensured’ database synchronization – no true independence

DNS-based fail-over?

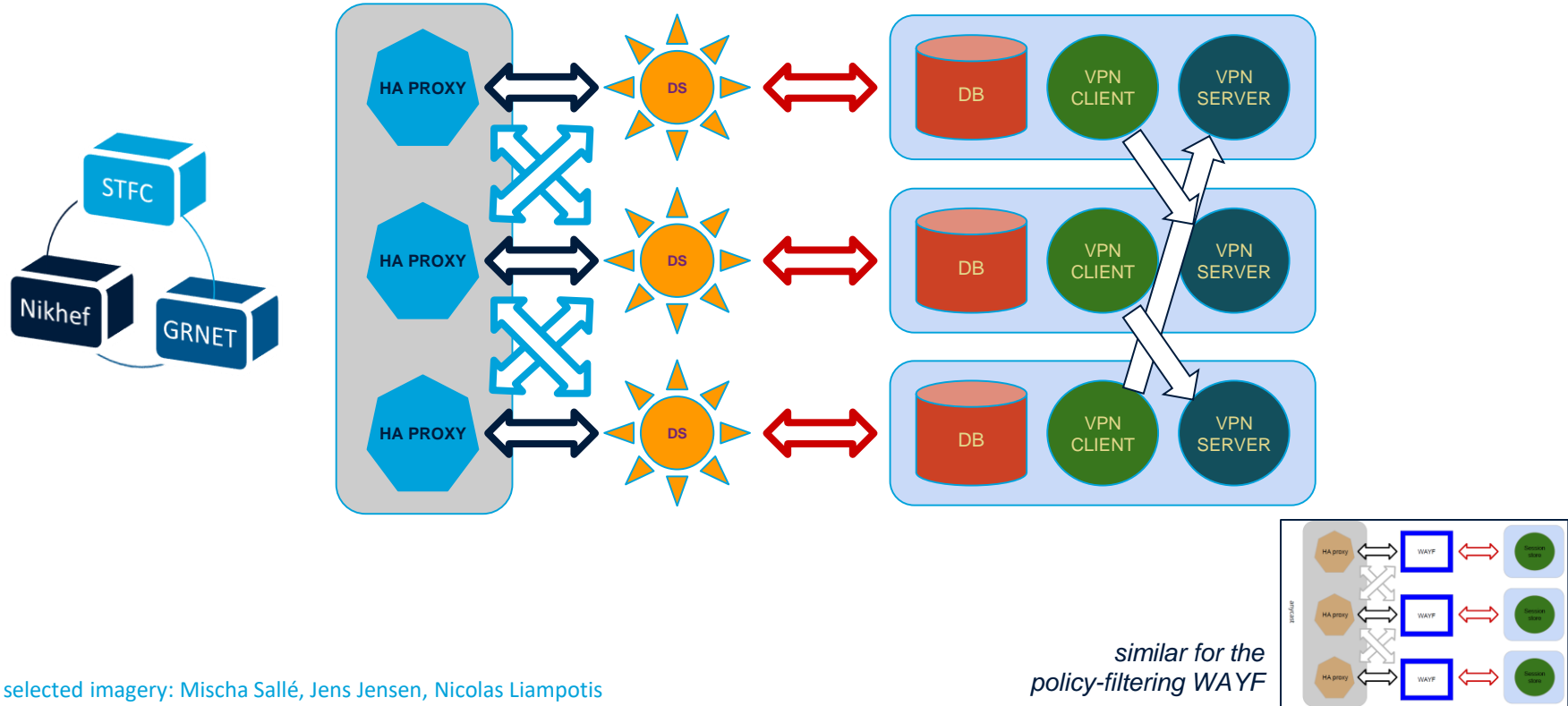
- the ‘trivial’ model relies on the client not to cache answers for long, **and** not to round-robin the DNS answers - since the WAYF and DS go together
- short TTL limits reliance, since both service and domain name provider must be up
- ‘advanced’ DNS-based solutions (like for InAcademia) – with near-realtime updates of a distributed DNS may appear better, but still: need a overly-low TTL, and move the HA problem to the DNS provider (or ccTLD), rather than solve it

So we looked at network-layer resilience, the ‘go-to’ solution for large CDN providers

Services at a site go up and down together - adding HAproxy



Distributed RCauth service



selected imagery: Mischa Sallé, Jens Jensen, Nicolas Liampotis

*similar for the
policy-filtering WAYF*

A transparent multi-site setup

User

- connects to HA proxy at {wayf,pilot-ica-g1}.rcauth.eu
- HA proxy sends users to “closest” working service
- forward mainly to its own DS when available



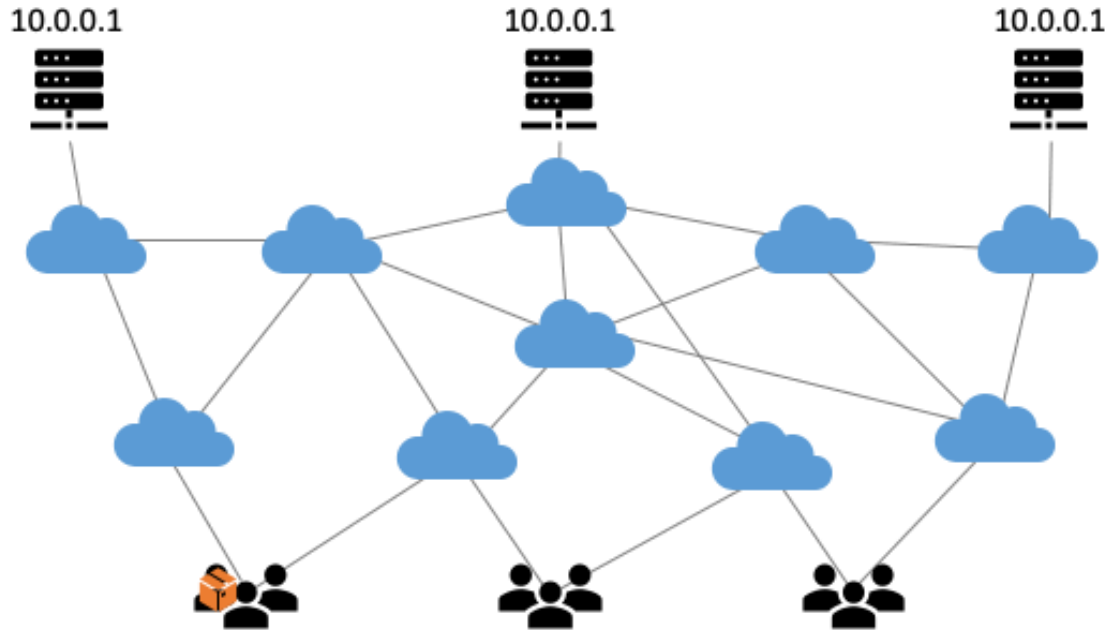
If a HA loses its backend DS, can still route to another DS over VPC/VPN backend

and wherever the user is, the service is at

- **2a07:8504:01a0::1**
- and **145.116.216.1** (for legacy IP users)

selected imagery: Mischa Sallé, Jens Jensen, Nicolas Liampotis

Anycast: when the same place exists many times



So we used

- 3 (for now: 2) sites
- one VM at each site exposing 2a07:8504:01a0::1
- smallest v6 subnet (/48)
- bird + a service probe
- each site's own ASN
- some IRR DB editing
- IPv4 is similar, with a /24

and some monitoring

routing image: SIDNlabs - <https://www.sidnlabs.nl/en/news-and-blogs/the-bgp-tuner-intuitive-management-applied-to-dns-anycast-infrastructure>

BIRD config and probes

- you need
- a health checker to drive the local BGP daemon
- a BGP talker, such as bird
- a very simple config

```
# Generated 2023-02-05 14:49:36.063331
# by anycast-healthchecker (pid=1299)
# 2001:db8::1/128 is a dummy IP Prefix.
# It should NOT be used and REMOVED
# from the constant.
define ACAST6_PS_ADVERTISE =
    [
        2001:db8::1/128,
        2a07:8504:1a0::1/128
    ];
```

```
include "/etc/bird.d/*.conf";

router id 194.171.98.77;

define ASN_OWN          = 65530;
define ASN_NEIGHBOUR   = 1104;
define ADDR_NEIGHBOUR4 = 194.171.98.94;
define ADDR_NEIGHBOUR6 = 2a07:8500:120:e011::1;

protocol device { scan time 10; }

protocol direct direct1 {
    interface "lo";
    ipv4 { import all; export none; };
    ipv6 { import all; export none; };
}

template bgp bgp_peers4 {
    local as ASN_OWN;
    ipv4 {
        import none;
        export filter match_route_filter;
    };
}

template bgp bgp_peers6 {
    local as ASN_OWN;
    ipv6 {
        import none;
        export filter match_route6_filter;
    };
}

protocol bgp BGP4 from bgp_peers4 { disabled no; neighbor ADDR_NEIGHBOUR4 as ASN_NEIGHBOUR; }
protocol bgp BGP6 from bgp_peers6 { disabled no; neighbor ADDR_NEIGHBOUR6 as ASN_NEIGHBOUR; }
```

But what is 'healthy'?

- Service status verification tool needed to 'drive' bird actions
- anycast_healthchecker by Pavlos Parissis
- with HAproxy
on the front-end host
on each site

```
Packager      : Mischa Sallé <msalle@nikhef.nl>
Vendor       : Pavlos Parissis <pavlos.parissis@gmail.com>
URL          : https://github.com/unixsurfer/anycast_healthchecker
Summary      : A healthchecker for Anycasted Services
Description  :
Anycast-healthchecker monitors a service by doing periodic health
checks and based on the result instructs Bird daemon to either
advertise or withdraw the route to reach the monitored service. As
a result Bird will only advertise routes for healthy services.
```

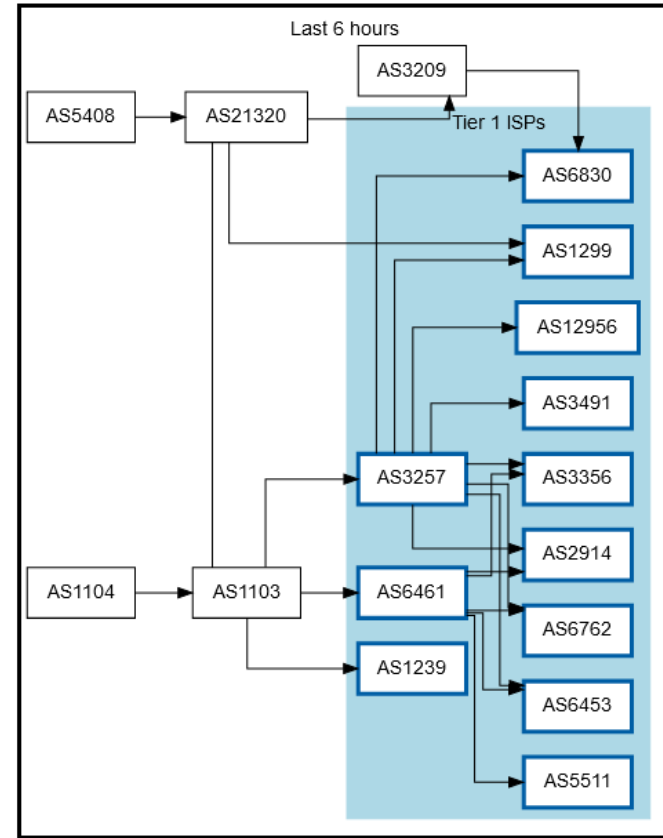
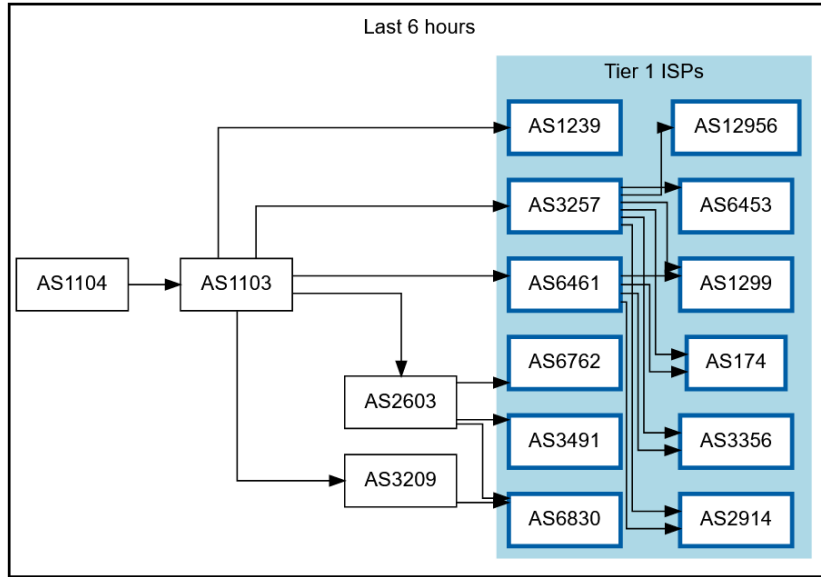
```
[haproxy]
check_cmd      = /usr/local/sbin/check_haproxy.sh
on_disabled    = withdraw
ip_prefix      = 145.116.216.1/32
[haproxy6]
check_cmd      = /usr/local/sbin/check_haproxy.sh
on_disabled    = withdraw
ip_prefix      = 2a07:8504:1a0::1/128
```

Both Delegation Service and filtering WAYF should be up

- But since Nikhef also has local HA with two back-ends, either is OK!

```
# Checks WAYF backends, at least one should be up or starting
# i.e. in state 2 or 3 (see Section 9.3 Unix Socket commands in
# management.txt).
check_wayf() {
    echo $state_cmd | \
        socat unix-connect:${haproxy_socket} stdio | \
        grep $wayf_pattern | \
        cut -d' ' -f${site_col},${state_col} | \
        while read wayf_site wayf_state
    do
        if [ "$wayf_state" -ge 1 -a "$wayf_state" -le 2 ];then
            # Found at least one up DS
            info "WAYF $wayf_site has state $wayf_state"
            return 1
        else
            warn "WAYF $wayf_site has state $wayf_state" >&2
        fi
    done
    return $((1-$?))
}
```

Getting 2a07:8504:1a0::/48 out there



route maps: bgp.tools for 2a07:8504:1a0::/48 – IPv4 for 145.116.216.0/24 is similar – imagery from November 2022

CERN Looking Glass Results - ee1

inet6.0: 155476 destinations, 303862 routes (155437 active, 0 holddown)
 + = Active Route, - = Last Active, * = Both

```



2a07:8504:1a0::/48 *[BGP/170] 01:08:50, MED 20, localpref 10500
    AS path: 20965 5408 I, validation-state: unverified
  > to 2001:798:99:1::39 via irb.200
[BGP/170] 4d 23:13:16, MED 20, localpref 10500, f
    AS path: 1103 1104 I, validation-state: unverified
  > to fe80::1a2a:d300:140f:bdb0 via irb.20
[BGP/170] 6d 23:17:01, MED 20, localpref 10500
    AS path: 2603 1103 1104 I, validation-state: unverified
  > to 2001:1458:0:9::2 via irb.2903
[BGP/170] 01:08:26, MED 25, localpref 10500
    AS path: 559 20965 5408 I, validation-state: unverified
  > to 2001:1458:0:2c::2 via irb.2902
[BGP/170] 01:08:49, MED 10, localpref 10200
    AS path: 174 174 21320 5408 I, validation-state: unverified
  > to 2001:978:2:2::2a:1 via irb.3811
  
```

2a07:8504:1a0::/48

Announced by **AS1104**, and 1 other

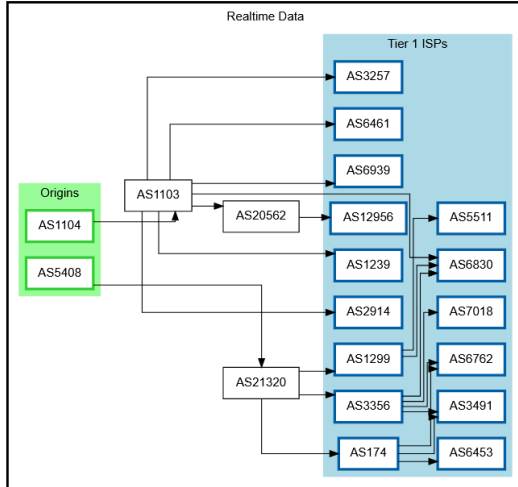
Overview Connectivity Whois DNS Validation

Originators i

ASN	Description
 AS1104	Nikhef - Dutch National Institute for Sub-atomic Physics
 AS5408	National Infrastructures for Research and Technology S.A.

How can a prefix have multiple ASNs?

Realtime Data



```

graph LR
    subgraph Origins
        O1[AS1104]
        O2[AS5408]
    end
    AS1103[AS1103]
    AS20562[AS20562]
    subgraph Tier1 ISPs
        T1[AS3257]
        T2[AS6461]
        T3[AS6939]
        T4[AS12956]
        T5[AS1239]
        T6[AS2914]
        T7[AS1299]
        T8[AS3356]
        T9[AS174]
        T10[AS5511]
        T11[AS6830]
        T12[AS7018]
        T13[AS6762]
        T14[AS3491]
        T15[AS6453]
    end
    AS21320[AS21320]

    O1 --> AS1103
    O2 --> AS1103
    O1 --> AS20562
    O2 --> AS20562
    AS1103 --> T1
    AS1103 --> T2
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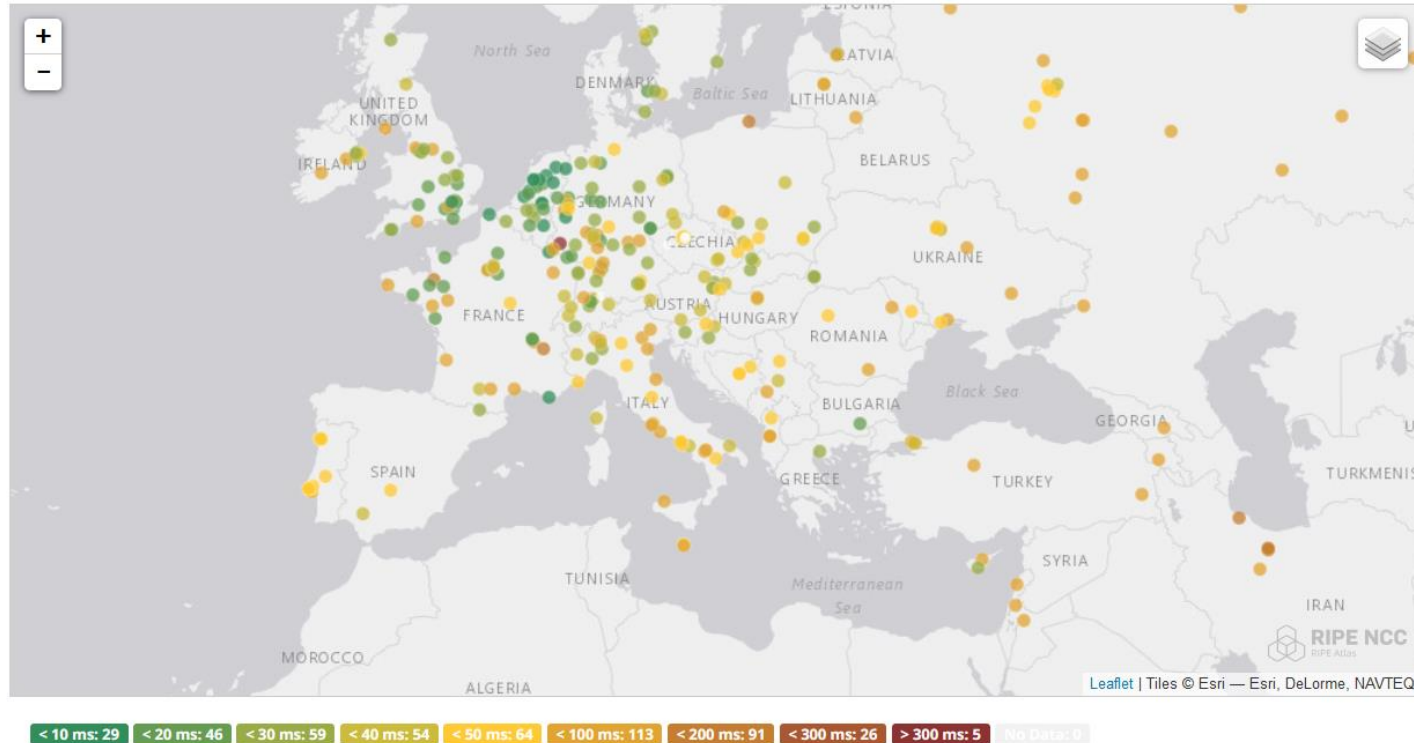

Prerequisites are relatively simple

- **IPv6 /48 netblock** and legacy IPv4 /24
- your own, or a friendly, **ASN**
- a set of corresponding **IRR route objects**, and either none, or a correct RPKI
(easily done in your local RIR registry: APNIC, RIPE, ARIN, AfriNIC, LACNIC)
- front-end service (**HProxy**) for the Delegation Service and filtering WAYF
- **bird** (or quagga) with a service health checker

But you do not per-se need ...

- a unique AS just for this anycast activity - it works equally well without it
- a balanced AS path length - unless you want load balancing as well as redundancy
- your own AS - if you have a friendly AS willing to re-announce your specific route

And you get reasonable load balancing



map: RIPE NCC RIPE Atlas - 500 probes, distributed across Europe (<https://atlas.ripe.net/measurements/50949024/>)

Other HA options

- Local HA with an HA proxy and pacemaker/CRM failover works on the local network – and can be meshed with two signing systems ... this is used extensively (also active/passive) for other services at Nikhef
- DNS-based fast-failover – the method used for e.g. InAcademia automatic updating of DNS a distributed set of servers, auto-updating each other ... does require that the DNS domain level operator remains available, since you need **very** short TTLs, and still your ccTLD/gTLD needs HA as well
- use dedicated HA links for the back-end database connection or ip-forwarding e.g. multiple redundant circuits over an MPLS cloud emerging at each site

Current status of RCauth.eu

- All sites can sign production certificates
- DS databases cross-site replication using Galera over VPN
- HA CRL cross site synchronisation and issuance
- WAYF servers (GRNET and Nikhef)

Reuse the RCauth experience

All sources, Ansible playbooks, and materials are on GitHub
<https://github.com/rcauth-eu>

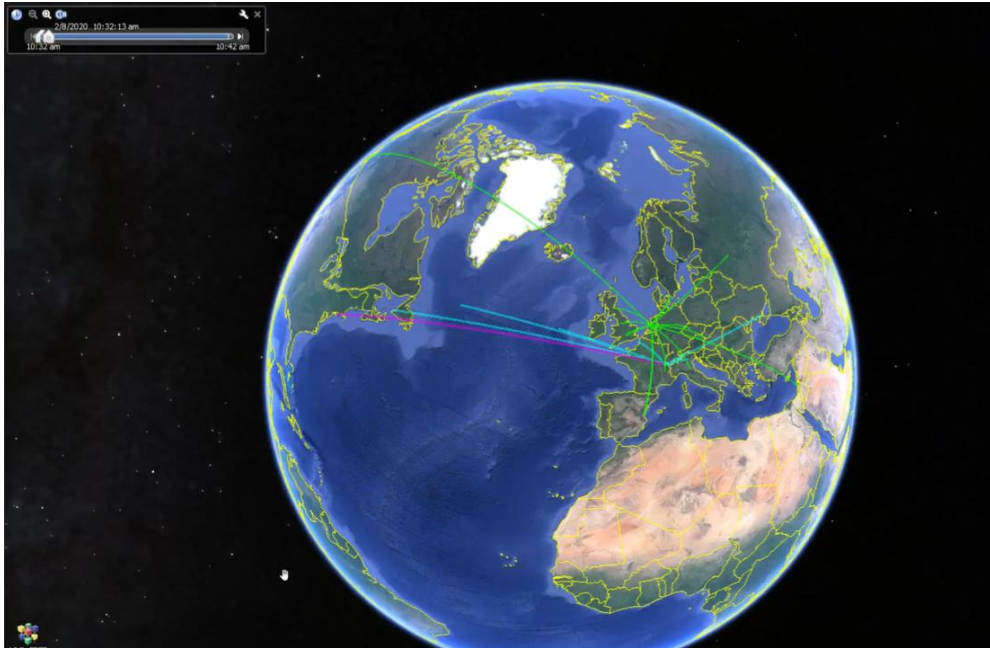
- HA database and back-end VPN
 - 3-node peer-peer redundant VPN with automatic failover
 - extensible to >3, but then topology is less clear
- Web services
 - HAproxy stability and flexibility and coordinated ‘up-down’ status per site
- HAHAP | BGP Anycast
 - ‘bog-standard’ if service admins, cloud admins, and network people can collaborate and investigate incidents together
- secure credential sharing and moving shared secrets is still cumbersome in practice
‘the difference between theory and practice is that, in theory, there is no difference’

Putting it back together again

Infrastructure for many communities
ESFRI Clusters, the EOSC, and the AARC TREE

Common patterns in scalability

A global infrastructure of EGI, OSG and WLCG, ...



LDAP - GlueCEUniqueID=dissel.nikhef.nl:2811/nordugrid-torque-long7.Mds-Vo-name=NIKHEF-ELPROD.Mds-Vo-name=local=grid - BDI top-level (Nikhef) - Apache Directory Studio

LDAP Browser: DN: GlueCEUniqueID=dissel.nikhef.nl:2811/nordugrid-torque-long7.Mds-Vo-name=NIKHEF-ELPROD.Mds-Vo-name=local=grid

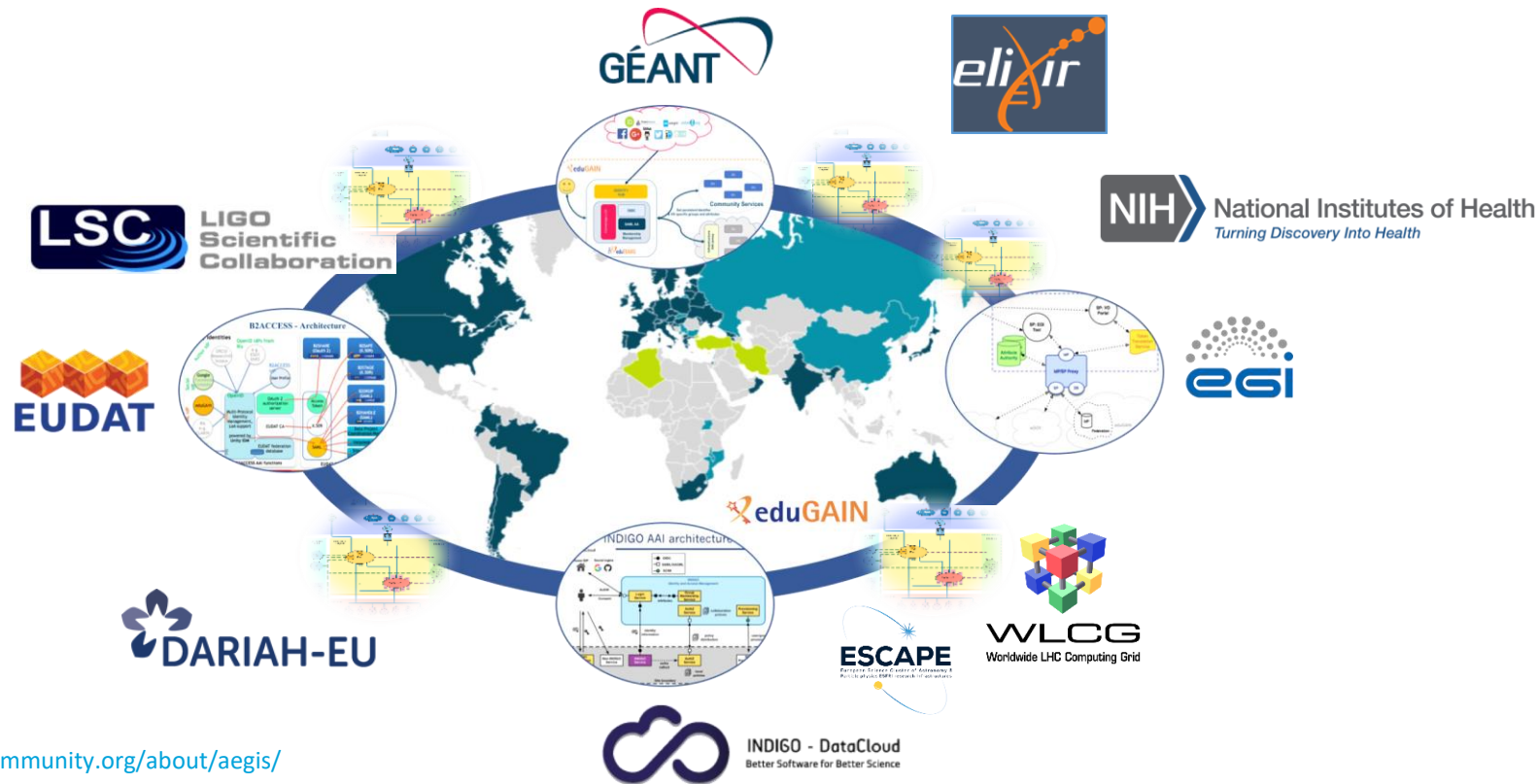
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objectClass		GlueCEVersion (auxiliary)
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GlueCEAccessControlBaseRule		VOzenes.lbggrid.nl
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An infrastructure with components matched to application needs

- systems architecture, compute (clusters), networking, storage, and application structure
- in a cost-efficient, and energy-efficient, way

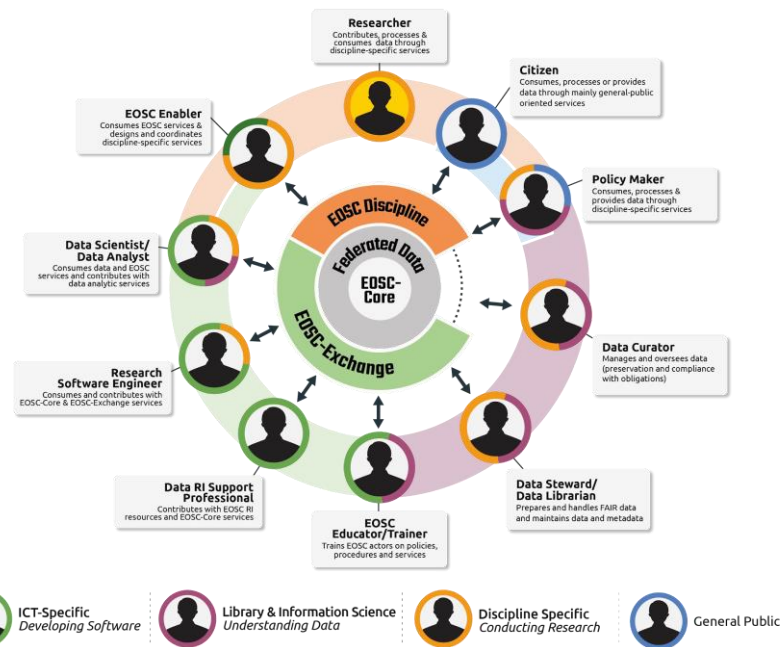
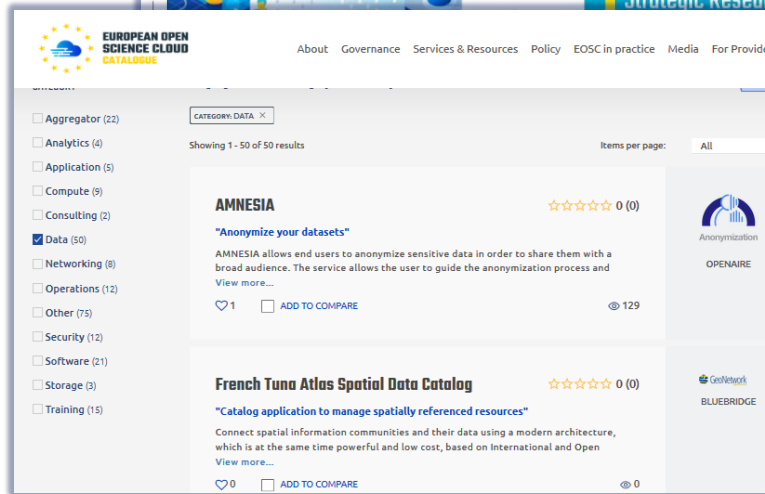
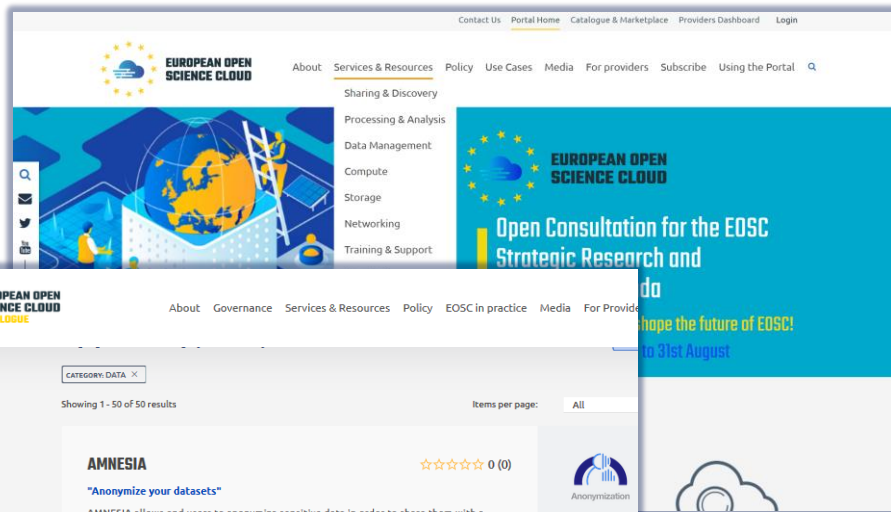
BerkeleyDB Information System for EGI, from top-level BDII at <ldap://bdii03.nikhef.nl:2170/o=grid>; Earth visualization: <https://dashb-earth.cern.ch/>, Google Earth

AARC AEGIS and the EOSC - Interconnecting communities



<https://aarc-community.org/about/aegis/>

EOSC: an ecosystem more than just services infrastructure



Circle diagram from Ignacio Blanquer's ISGC 2022 keynote, Digital Skills for FAIR and open science: doi.org/10.2777/59065; EOSC Portal (<https://www.eosc-portal.eu/>) by EOSChub

Research Infra with AARC BPA proxies abound



represented by logos: some of the AARC BPA Research Communities (top) using the AAI proxy architecture. At the ~ bottom: (global) e-Infrastructures using the AARC BPA

EOSC Authentication and Authorization Infrastructure

The image displays the cover of a report titled "EOSC Authentication and Authorization Infrastructure" on the left and the "AARC Blueprint Architecture" diagram on the right. The report cover features the European Union flag, the title, and the subtitle "Report from the EOSC Executive Board Working Group (WG) Architecture AAJ Task Force (TF)". It also includes the text "Independent Expert Report" and "EOSC Executive Board for architecture January 2021". A URL is provided at the bottom: <https://op.europa.eu/s/sWqj>. The AARC Blueprint Architecture diagram illustrates the system's components, including "USER IDENTIFICATION", "ACCESS PROTOCOL TRANSLATION", "AUTHORIZATION", and "END SERVICES". It shows the flow of data and interactions between various services and protocols. At the bottom of the slide, there are logos for "eoscfutura.eu", "@EOSCFuture", "EOSCFuture", and "EOSC Future".

slide: Christos Kanellopoulos, GEANT, for EOSC Future WP7.3

EOSC Interoperability Framework

EOSC Portal - A gateway to information and resources in EOSC

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About the EOSC Interoperability Framework (EOSC-IF)

Enabling interoperability across resources and services is essential for building a European Open Science Cloud that is federated and fit for purpose. In turn, interoperability guidelines are necessary to facilitate the cross-discipline collaboration of researchers, providers and research communities.

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EIAB and EIAC Charter

The EOSC Interoperability Framework aims to provide a set of

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Science communication of RDA calls in the context of EOSC

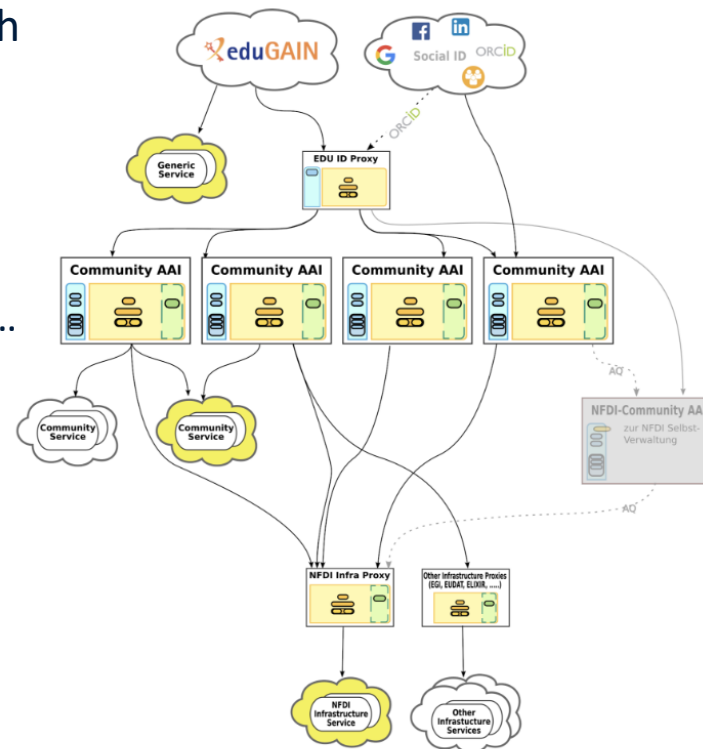
The Research Data Alliance (RDA) and EOSC Future are unlocking a budget of 15000€ in their latest call for highly...

<https://eosc-portal.eu/eosc-interoperability-framework>

Composite AAls – proxies beyond ‘just’ the EOSC

Proxy model supports harmonizing IdPs beyond research

- **eduID**-style identifiers
 - ‘life-long learning’ identifiers
 - independent student identifier for mobility & Erasmus-without-papers
 - eduGAIN-alignment is coming: eduid.nl, Swiss eduID, ...
- **eIDAS** and government eID (e.g. DigID)
 - identity assurance step-up
- **ORCID** provides this service for research in general
 - since it persists, also very useful to allow researchers consistent access independent of home org 😊



Composite AAI image source: Christos Kanellopoulos (GEANT), Marcus Hardt (KIT)

Collaboration and sharing is critical for research



“Authentication and Authorisation Infrastructures (AAs) play a key role in enabling federated interoperable access to resources.”

Proposed: **AARC Technical Revision to Enhance Effectiveness (AARC TREE)**

- define common strategies for the development and deployment of AAs in the pan European Research Infrastructures
- improve access and sharing of scientific resources and
- improve interoperability among research infrastructure communities across the thematic areas















<https://aarc-community.org/> - the AARC Technical Revision for Enhanced Effectiveness (AARC TREE) submitted as CSA to INFRA-DEV-01-05 on March 9, 2023

Design Patterns in e-Infrastructures?

So can we now discern a common pattern?

- Make central components passive and as stateless as possible
 - e.g. for fabric management, have central repository be a cacheable web service
 - although persistent storage obviously has to retain some state 😊
- Move complexity and volume requirements to the edge
 - the edge scales horizontally and scaling from 2+ is much easier than from 1 → 2
- You can move problems around, but it's hard to actually *so/lve* them
 - e.g. lack of a single common interface implies one needs adaptors and plugins
- Scaling *collaboration and trust* federation is as complex as scaling systems
 - and beyond 'Dunbar's Number', ~150, you will need some assessment and policy

Liquid CO₂ cooling test bench,
24.33% overclocked
using CineBench R20
best sustained, i.e. without LN2...
In a Nikhef-AMD collaboration

	SCORE	USER	FREQUENCY	HARDWARE	COOLING	HW	
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3.	22064 pts	 Hiwa	5050.6 MHz	AMD Ryzen Threadripper 3970X	LN2	0pts	 0 
4.	21601 pts	 keep8n	5000.4 MHz	AMD Ryzen Threadripper 3970X	LN2	0pts	 0 
5.	20022 pts	 Nikhef	4600.1 MHz	AMD Ryzen Threadripper 3970X	SS	0pts	 0 




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