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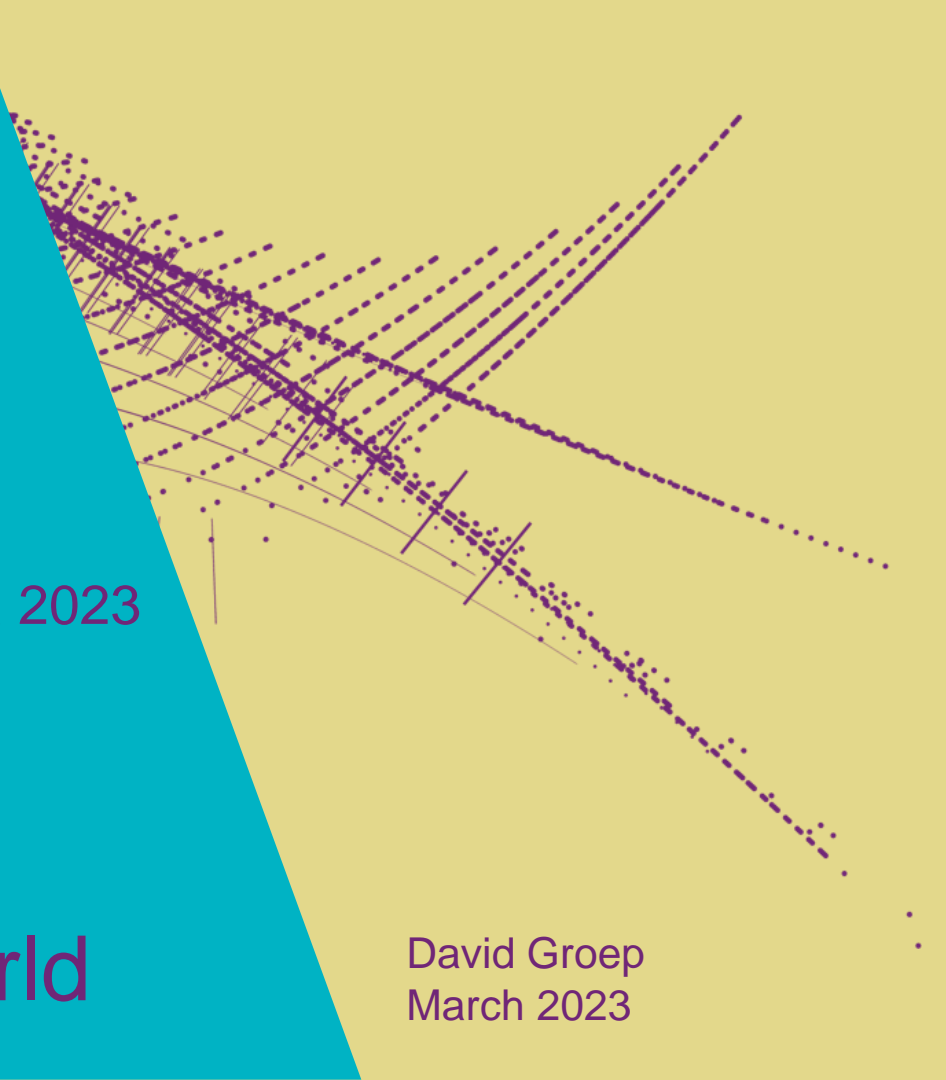


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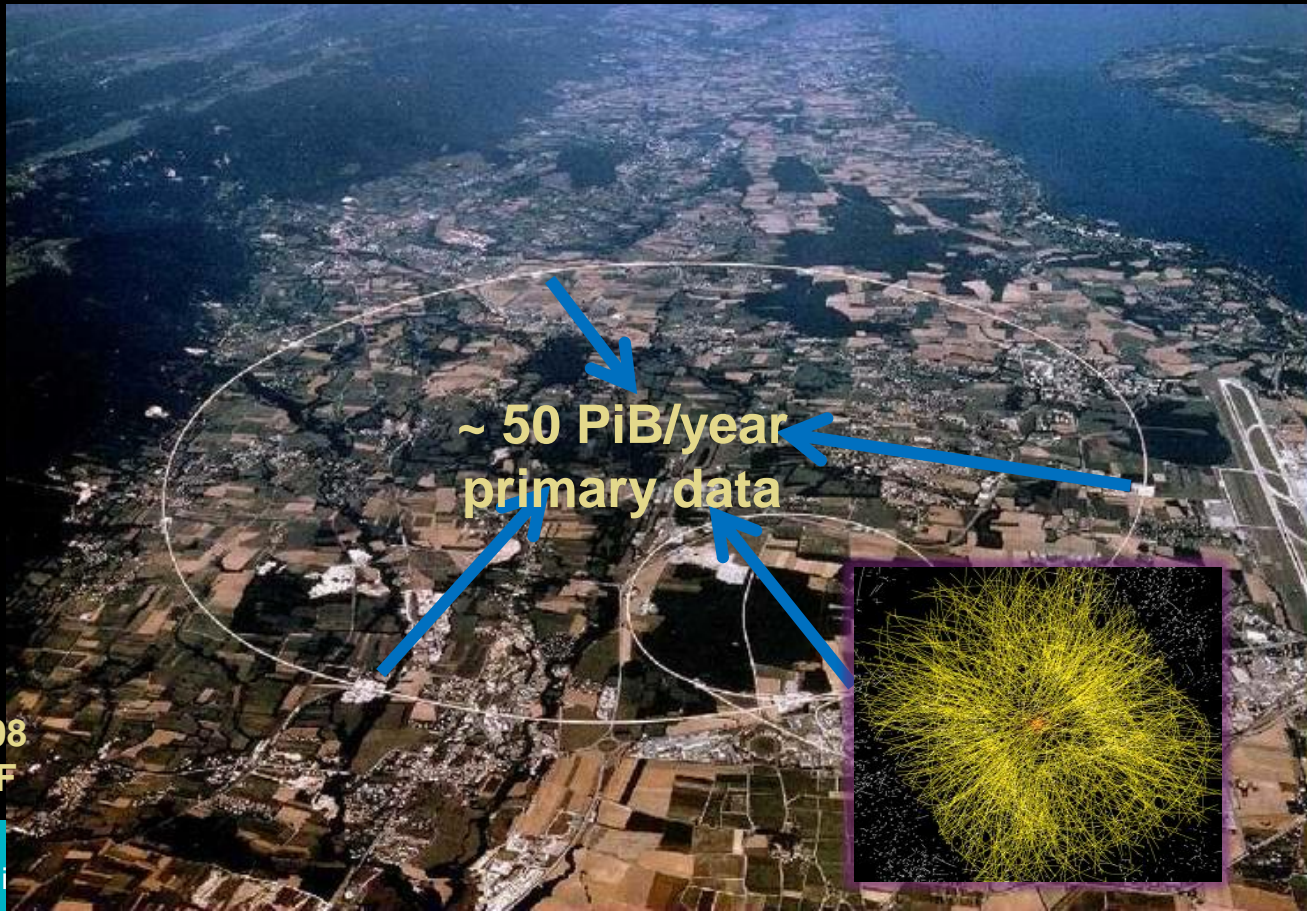
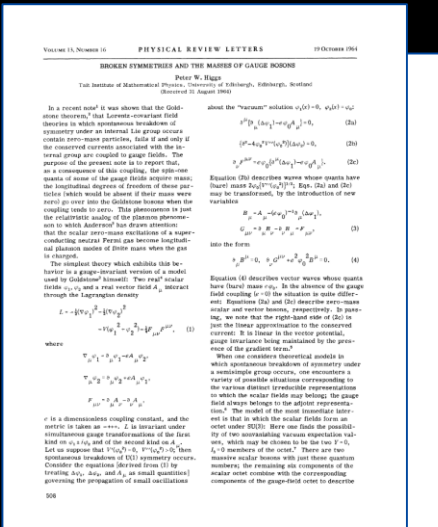
Computing for (astro)particle physics at Nikhef and in the world

David Groep
March 2023



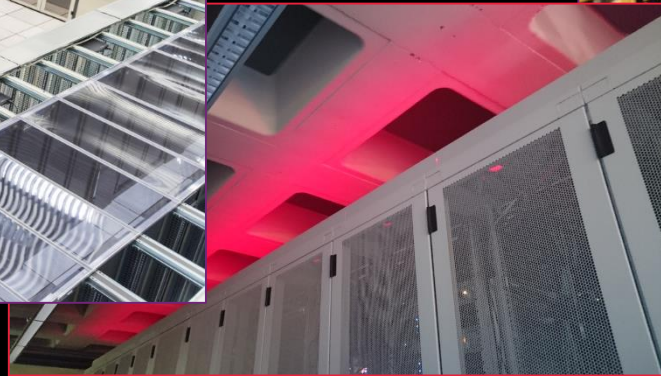
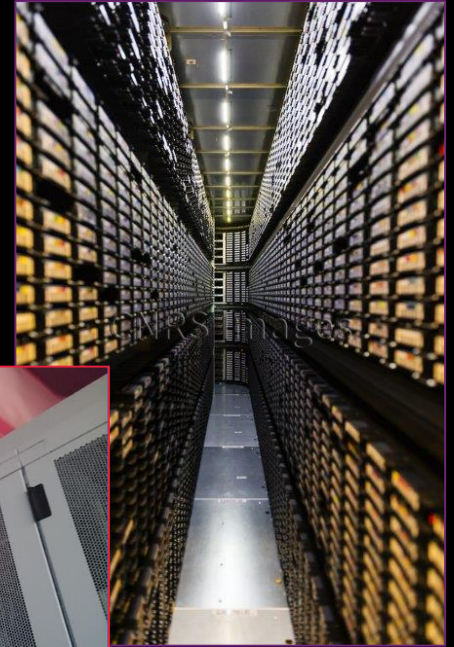
Data at the Large Hadron Collider at CERN

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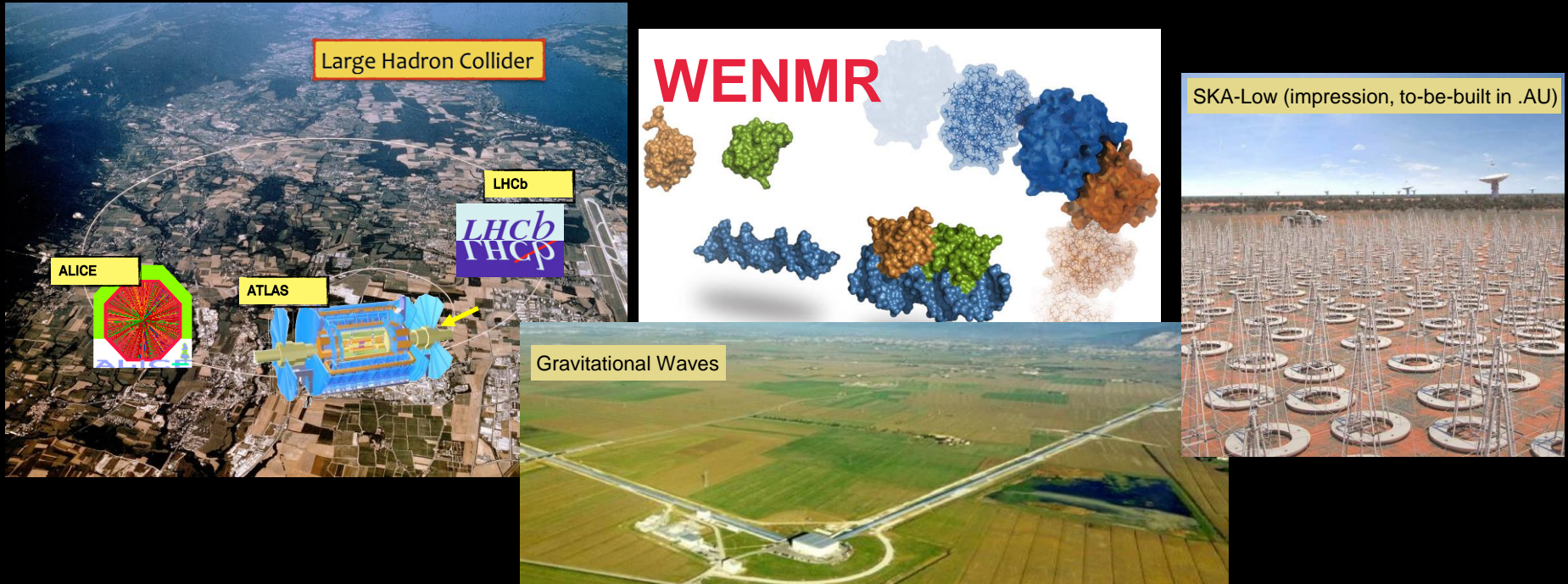
P. Higgs, Phys. Rev. Lett. 13, 508
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'Big Science' needs some computing ...



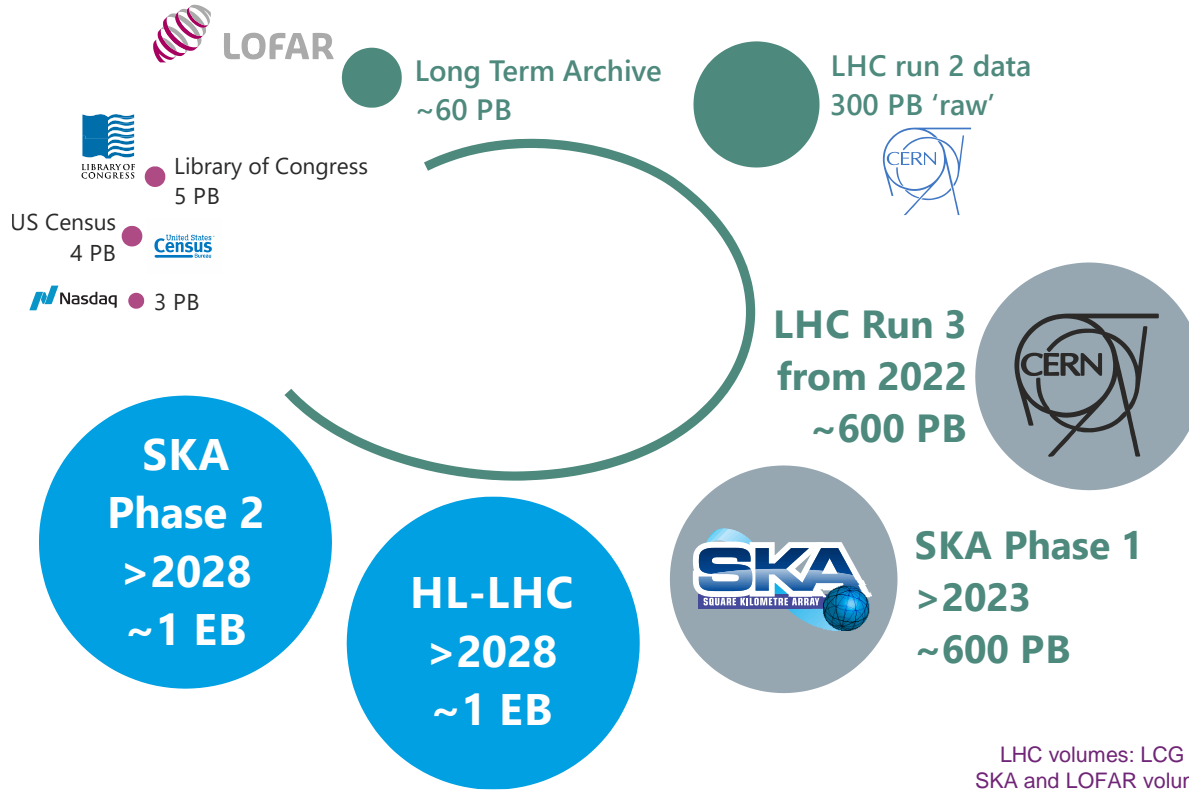
CERN CC B513, image: <https://cds.cern.ch/record/2127440>; tape library: CC-IN2P3 with LHC and LSST data; cabinets: Nikhef H234b

Larger scales for both facilities and computing



Sources: CERN <https://wlcg.web.cern.ch/>; HADDOCK, WeNMR, @Bonvinlab <https://wenmr.science.uu.nl/>; Virgo, Pisa, IT; SKAO: the SKA-Low observatory, Australia <https://www.skatelescope.org/>

More data is coming!

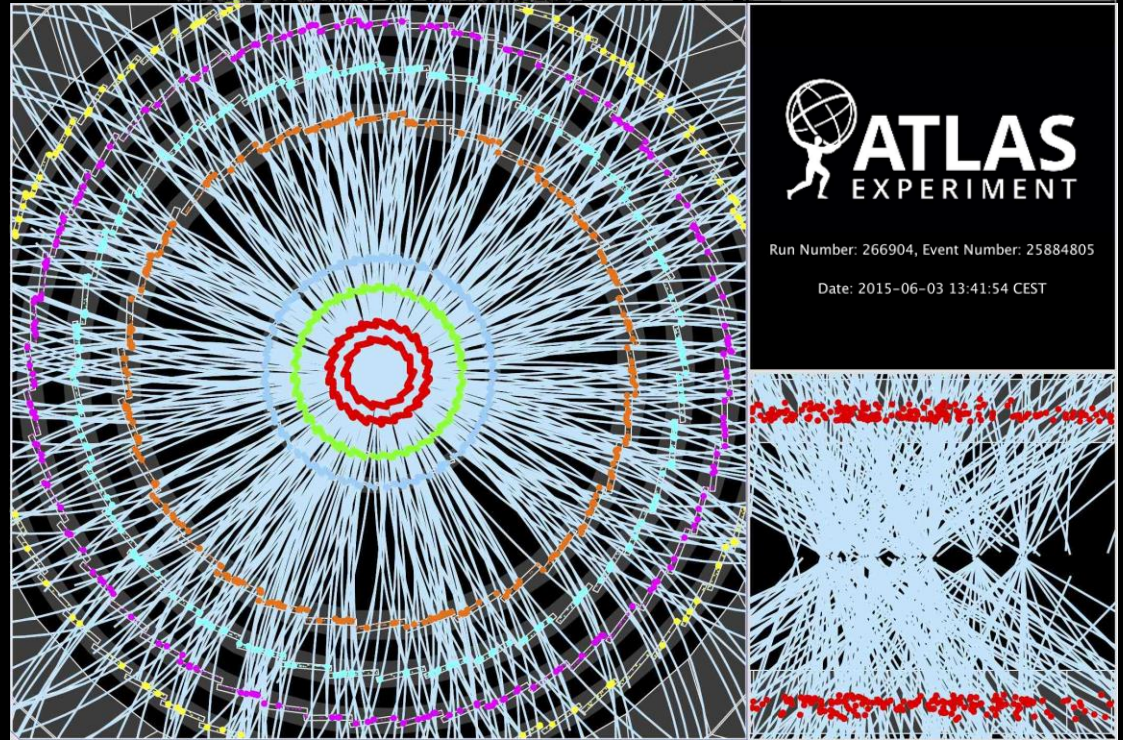


Data from various sources, for public entities: data ca. 2018, indicative, within ~ factor 2

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

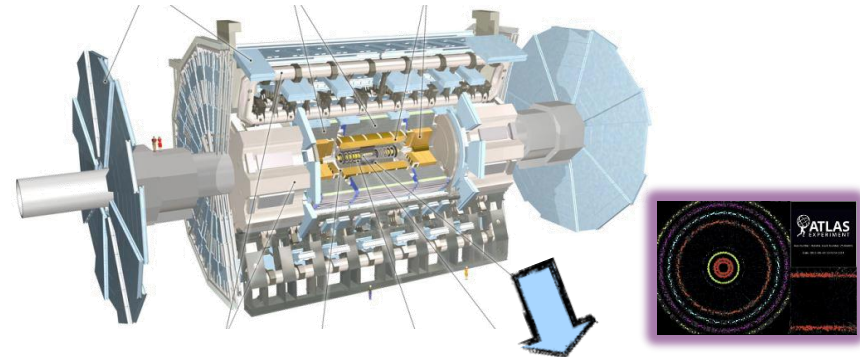
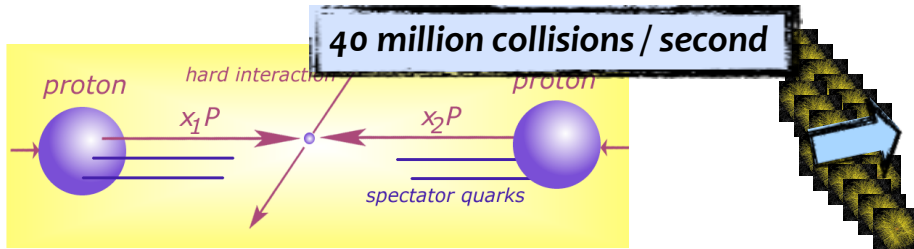
Computing on lots of data – 40 Mevents/sec

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

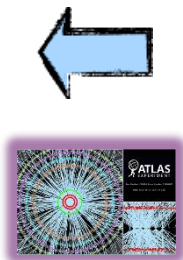
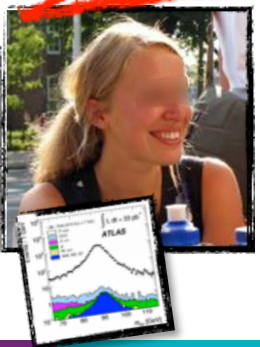


Display of a proton-proton collision event recorded by ATLAS on 3 June 2015, with the first LHC stable beams at a collision energy of 13 TeV;
Event processing time: v19.0.1.1 as per Jovan Mitrevski and 2015 J. Phys.: Conf. Ser. 664 072034 (CHEP2015)

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

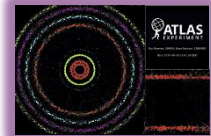


diagram adapted from Frank Linde; images: ATLAS collaboration, Nikhef. ... and sorry for the GDPR-blur

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

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

WLCG and EGI Advanced Computing for Research

WLCG NL-T1 and the Dutch National Infrastructure

Joint SURF & Nikhef collective service – part of EGI, WLCG and FuSE
hosts WLCG, but also LOFAR radio telescope data, and ~100 other projects
59 PByte near-line storage (tape), 42.5 PByte on-line (disk), 27.6 k cores (cpu)



DNI and NL-T1 capacity from 2023 DNI NWO, LOFAR, and WLCG; see <https://www.surf.nl/onderzoek-ict/toegang-tot-rekendiensten-aanvragen> ; fuse-infra.nl
SURF tape total: ~80 PByte by end 2022; image library at Schiphol Rijk from Sara Ramezani; NikhefHousing: <https://www.nikhef.nl/housing/datacenter/floorplan/>

Single CPU scaling stopped around 2004

limitation is power, not circuit size

and clock frequency is most 'power-hungry'
still some packages now @ TDP of 400W

multiple cores on the same die helped

AMD EPYC Genoa (Zen 4) has 96 cores on die
Intel Cascade Lake AP looked like a cludge
but now Sapphire Rapids appears better again

CPU design-level performance gains left

predictive execution
out-of-order execution
on-die parallelism (multi-core)
pre-fetching and multi-tier caching
execution unit sharing ('SMT')

but at increased risk for security/integrity

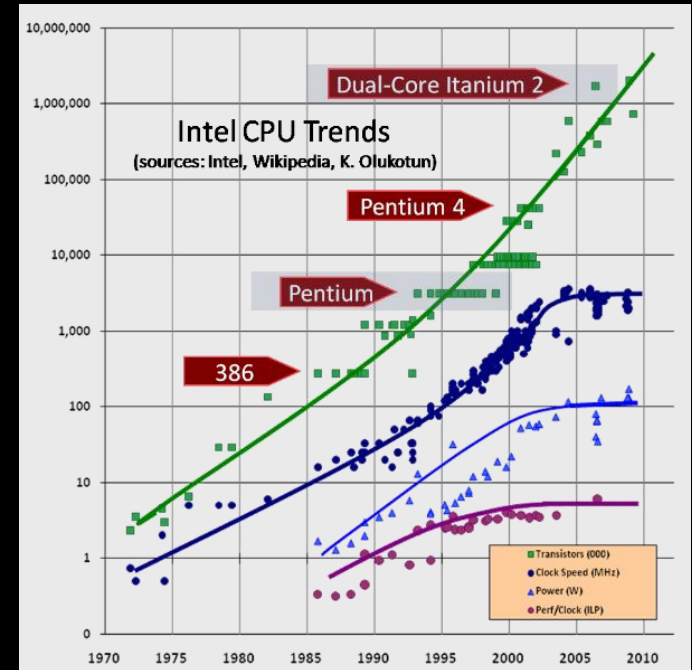
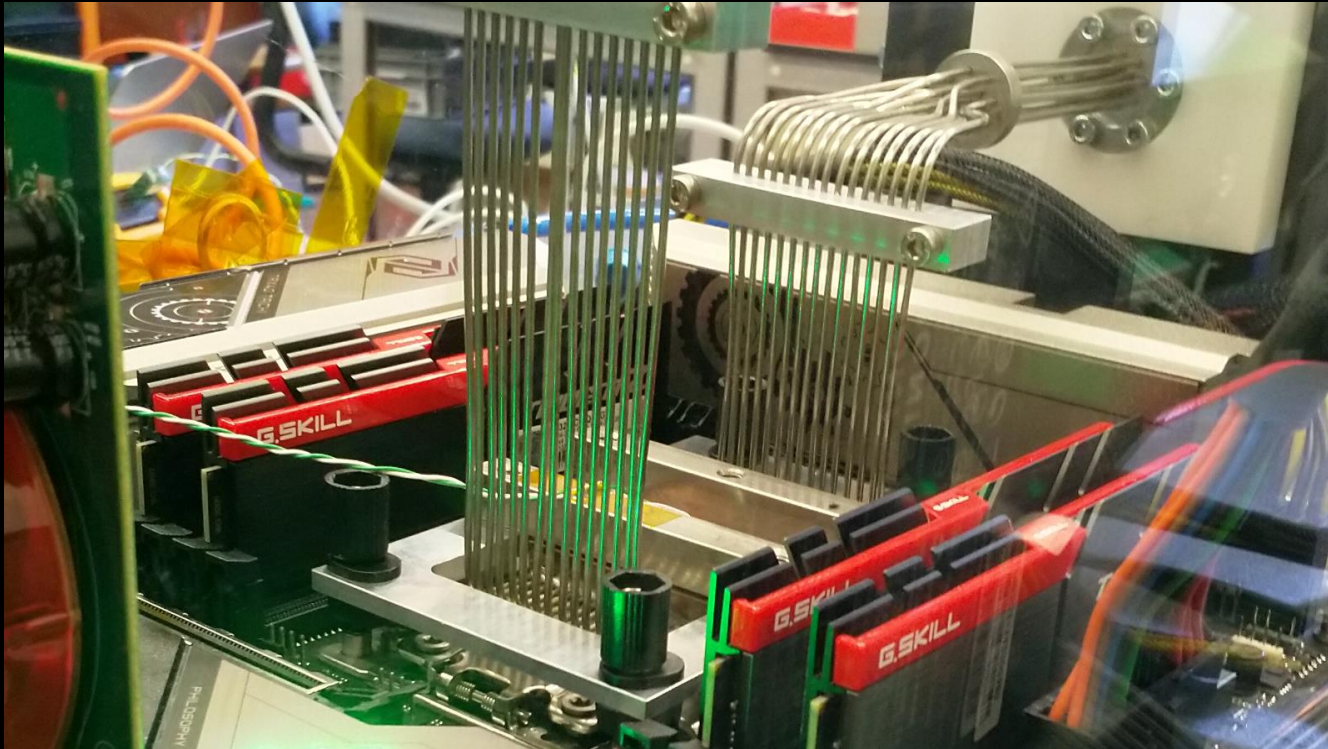


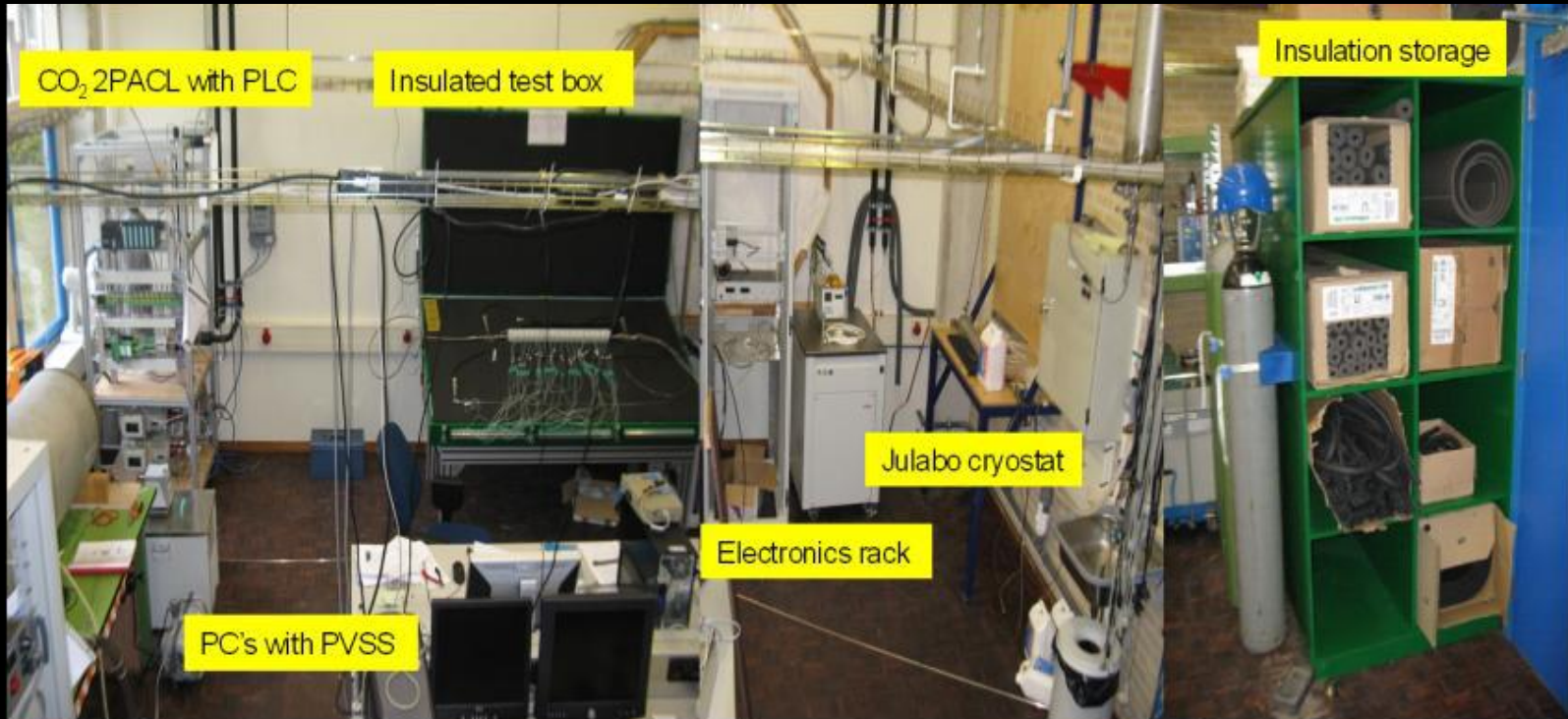
Image: Herb Sutter, *Dr.Dobbs Journal* 2004, updated 2009, see <http://www.gotw.ca/publications/concurrency-ddj.htm>

Fix the thing that didn't scale well, CPU frequency??



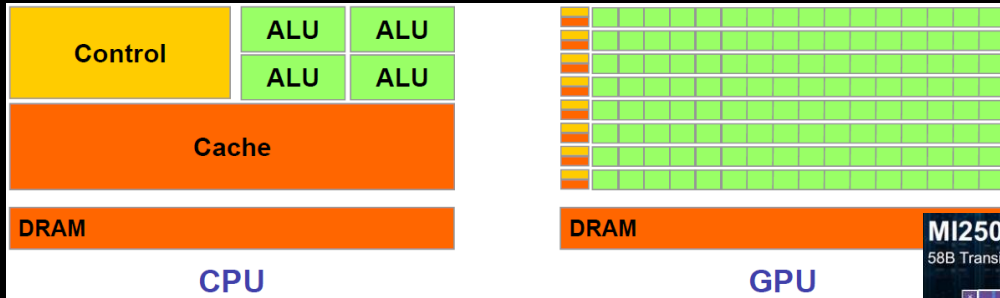
LCO₂ cooling of an AMD Ryzen Threadripper 3970X [56.38 °C] at 4600.1MHz processor (~1.5x nominal speed) sustained, using the Nikhef LCO₂ test bench system (<https://hwbot.org/submission/4539341>) - (Krista de Roo en Tristan Suerink)

... since you then need this around it ...



Nikhef 2PA LCO2 cooling setup. Image from Bart Verlaat, Auke-Pieter Colijn *CO2 Cooling Developments for HEP Detectors*
<https://doi.org/10.22323/1.095.0031>

Accelerators – general purpose GPUs



but co-processing comes at a cost of moving data to and from the GPU often faster to keep computing and do selection & conditionals later computation speed heavily depends on precision (even 4-bit precision is used) quite power hungry!

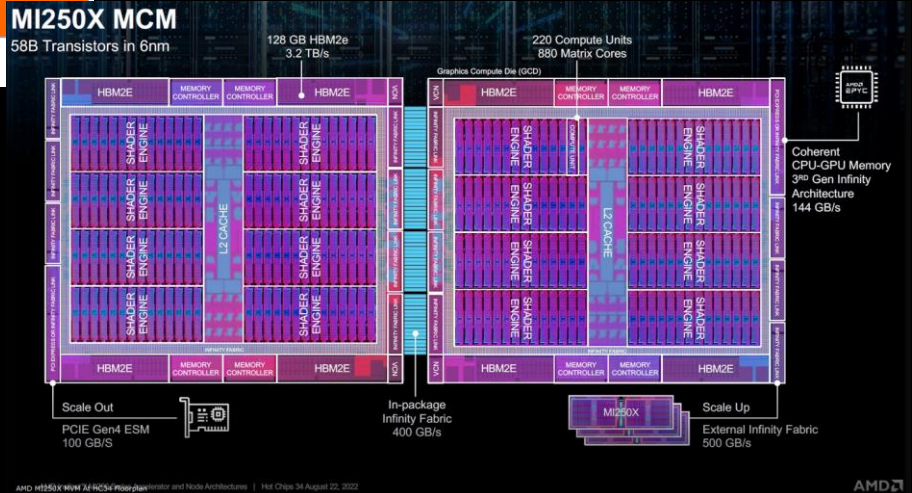


Image: 'Massively Parallel Computing with CUDA', Antonino Tumeo Politecnico di Milano, https://www.ogf.org/OGF25/materials/1605/CUDA_Programming.pdf
Floorplan image of die: AMD MI250 GPU, slide source: AMD

If large-scale IT does not quite fit ... ahum ...



SuperMicro (branded as 'Lambda Blade')
4U chassis, supporting 10 consumer-grade GPUs ...
... with a bump

Image source: <https://lambdalabs.com/products/blade>

Scaling up – beyond one lone motherboard



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**

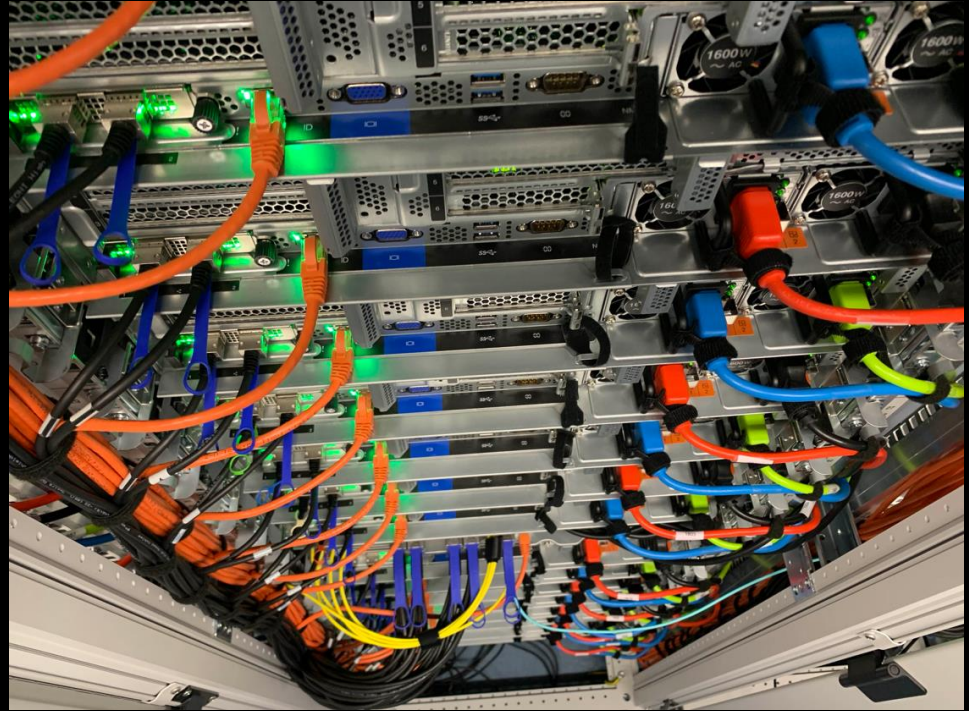
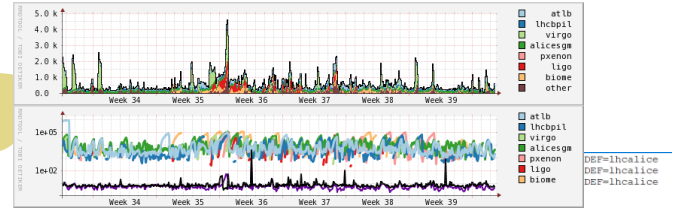


Image: Cluster ‘Lotenfeest’ at the Nikhef NDPF, acquired March 2020. Lenovo SR655 with AMD EPYC 7702P 64-Core single-socket

WLCG computing – conveniently parallel



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GROUPCFG[auger]      FSTARGET=3      PRIORITY=200      MAXPROC=500      QDEF=augerbig
GROUPCFG[augsgm]    FSTARGET=1      PRIORITY=300      MAXPROC=2
QOSCFG[augerbig]    FSTARGET=1

# if these are queued, they will generally be of highest priority.
# limit their MAXJOBS ... we really want two non-ATLAS VOs to be
# of rank higher than ATLAS before we drain the multicore pool.

GROUPCFG[virgo]      FSTARGET=25      PRIORITY=200      MAXPROC=2700      MAXJOB=10      QDEF
=biggrid
GROUPCFG[ligo]       FSTARGET=23      PRIORITY=200      MAXPROC=2700      MAXJOB=10      QDEF
=biggrid

# local groups
GROUPCFG[atlas]      FSTARGET=10      PRIORITY=200      MAXPROC=2200      QDEF=niklocal
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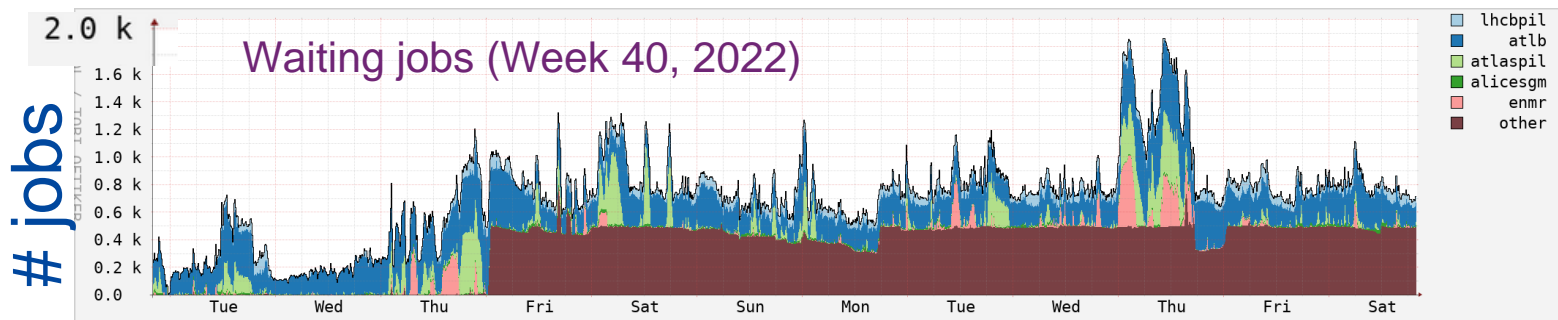
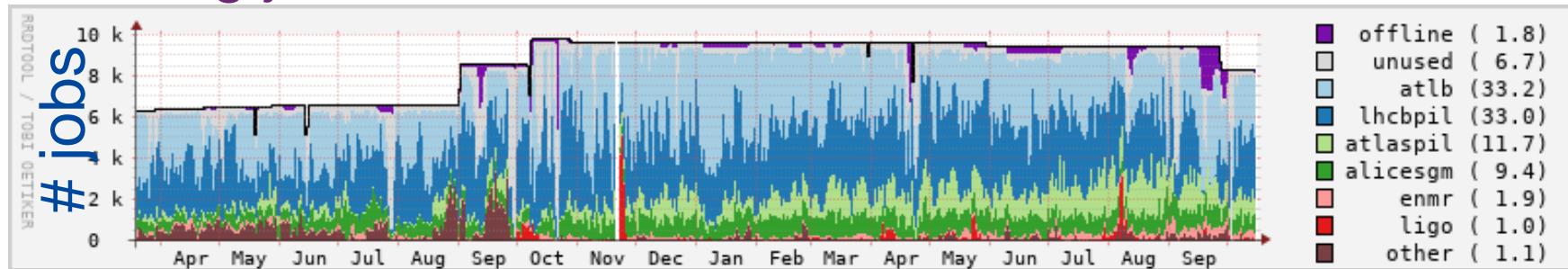


‘like milking cows’ (if you feed them lots of power first)
parallel access to data comes at a cost of high IOPS

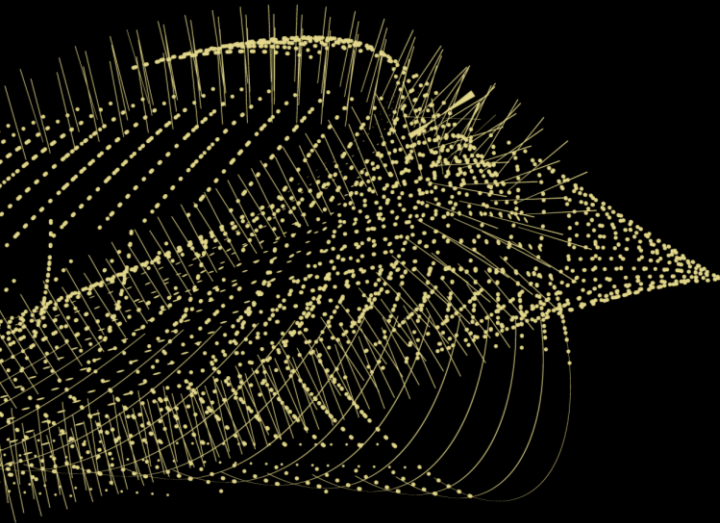
NDPF 'WLCG and Dutch National Infra' cluster

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



- > 1 system
 - > 1 site
 - > 1 user group
 - > 1 organization
- More than one ...



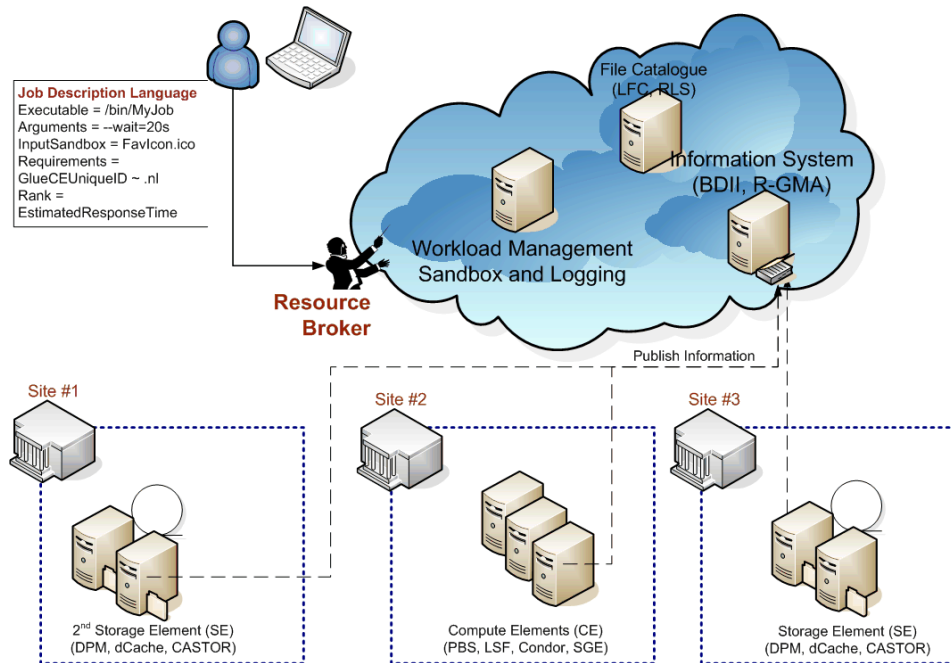
More of more than one ...

Fancy an interactive console install?

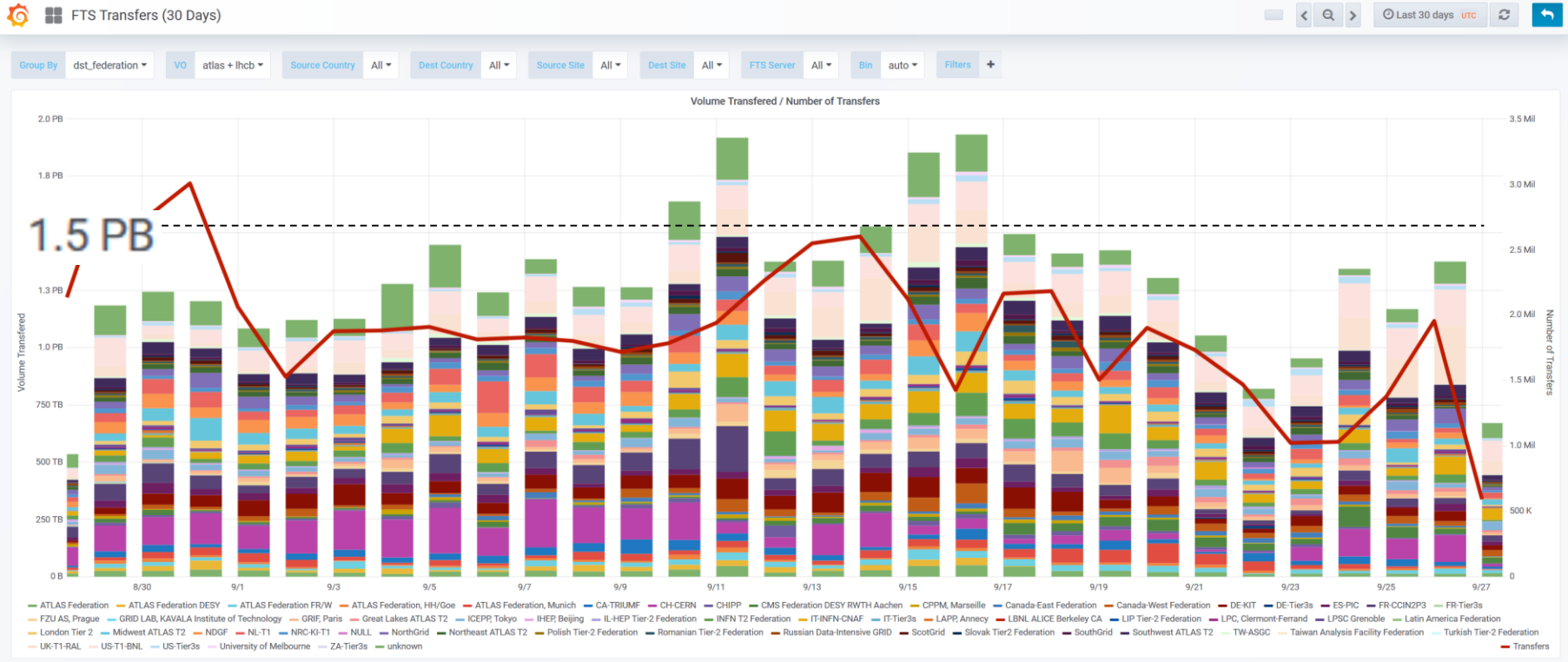


Images: Nikhef Housing H234b NDPF science processing data centre

Global computing and workload management

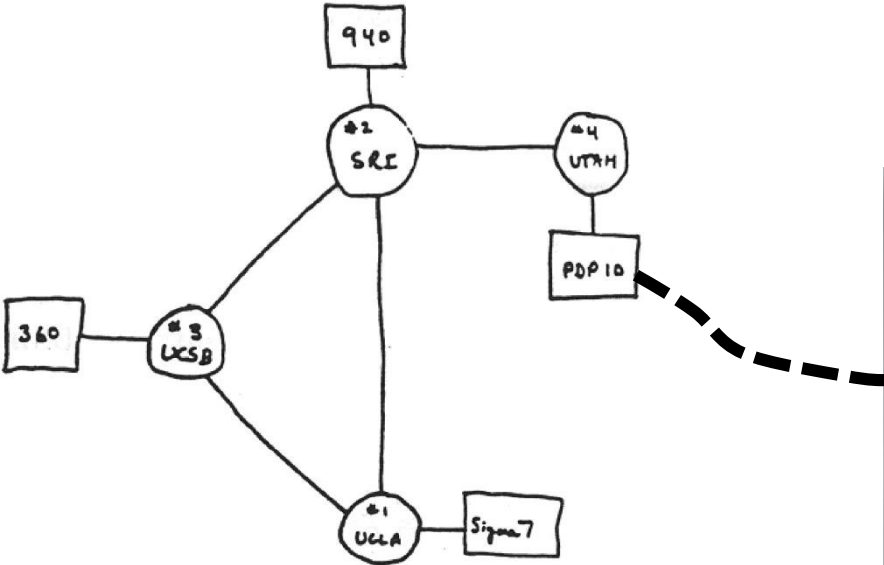


High throughput computing is also about data



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

Het vroege internet ...



THE ARPA NETWORK

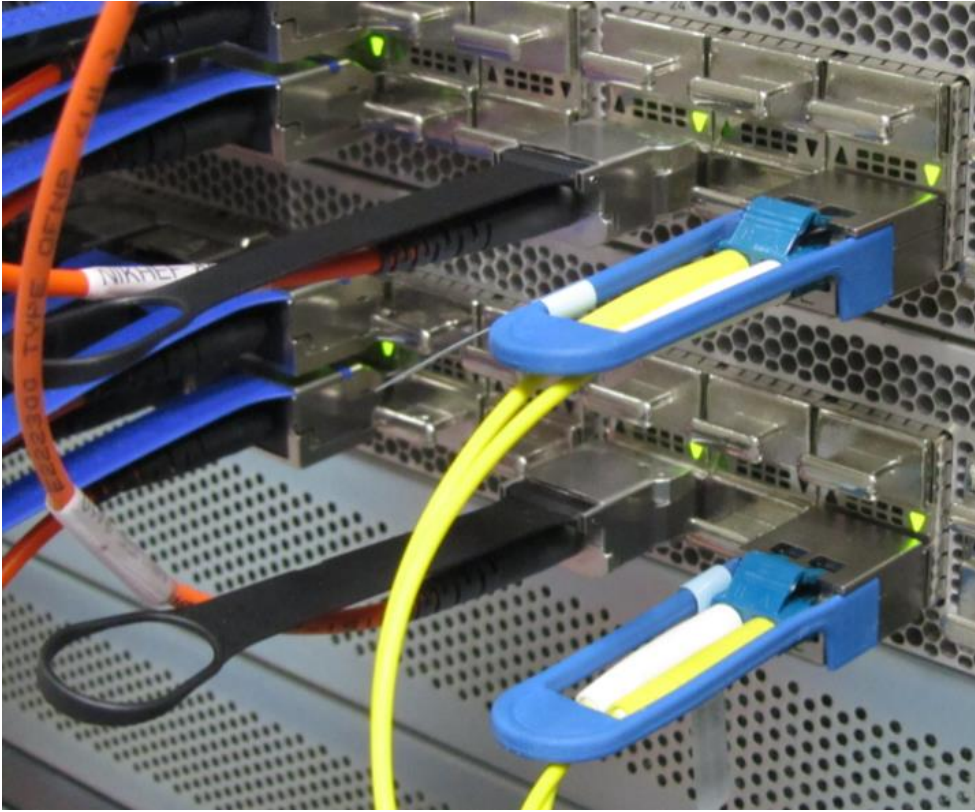
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4 NODES

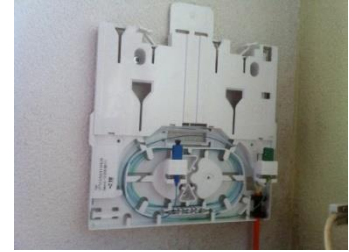


Image source: Alex McKenzie and "Casting the Net", page 56. See <https://personalpages.manchester.ac.uk/staff/m.dodge/cybergeography/atlas/arpanet2.gif> ; acoustocoupler: Wikimedia

How does 100, or now 400 Gigabit per second look?



Thuis 'FttH'
~1Gbps BX
single strand, SC



Nikhef
Data Processing
Facility
router 'deel'



een KPN FttH
PoP in de wijk

vergelijk:
VDSL BR straatkast
voor als je nog
op xDSL koper zit



'Elephant streams in a packet-switched internet'

Moving stuff around

wheelbarrows work fine in your garden
want to send it to different places?
Use waggons on a train, or ships,
going always from A-to-B anyway?

A conveyer belt will do much better!

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



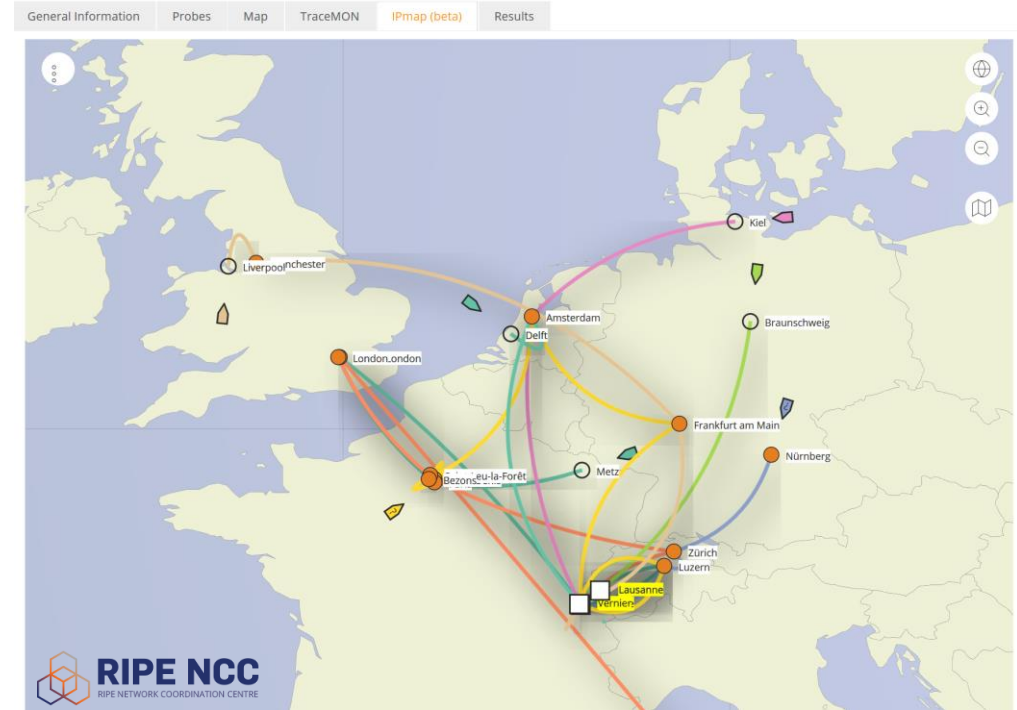
Image conveyor belt tunnel near Bluntisham, Cambridgeshire by Hugh Venables, CC-BY-SA-4.0 from <https://www.geograph.org.uk/photo/4344525>

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 Freedom Internet to *spiegel.nikhef.nl*

```
[root@kwarck ~]# traceroute -6 -A -T gierput.nikhef.nl
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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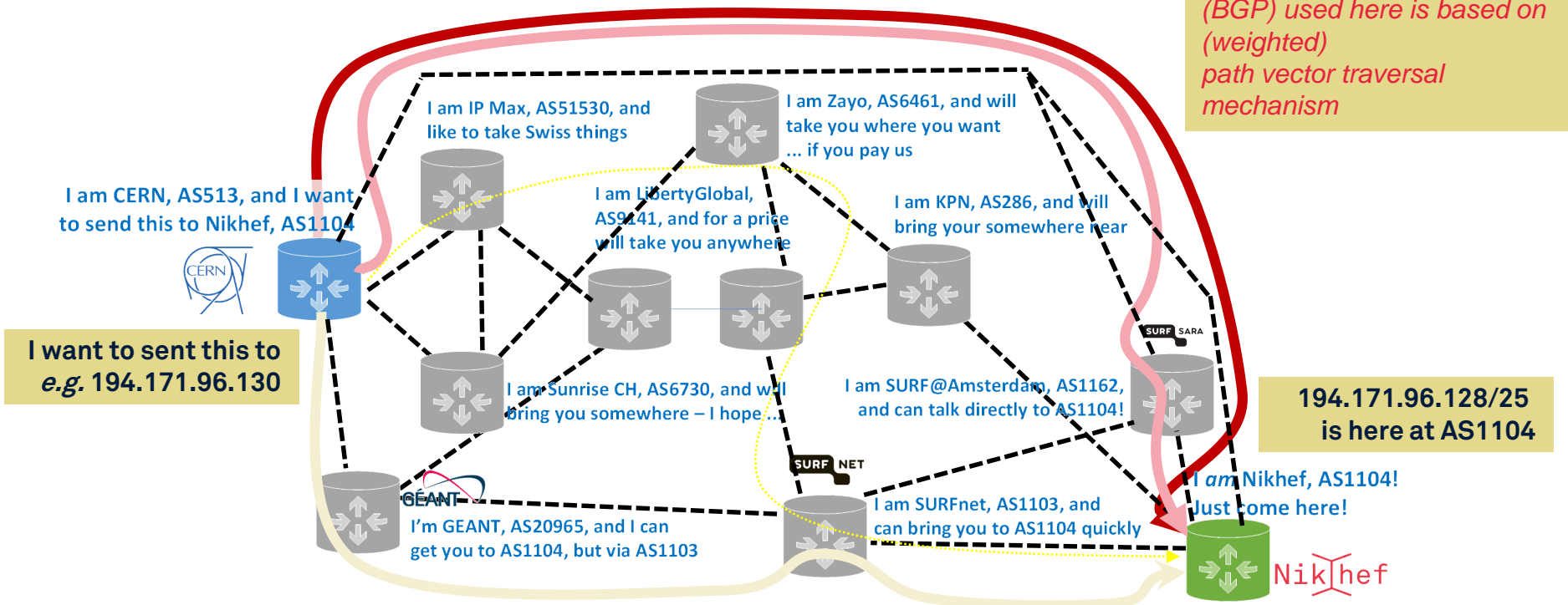
but from Interparts in Lisse, NH:

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[root@muis ~]# traceroute -6 -A -I gierput.nikhef.nl
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
```

AS41960: Interparts; AS1200: AMS-IX route reflector; AS1103: SURFnet; AS1104: Nikhef; AS206238: Freedom Internet – on the FrysIX there is direct L2 peering

Where do internet packets go anyway?

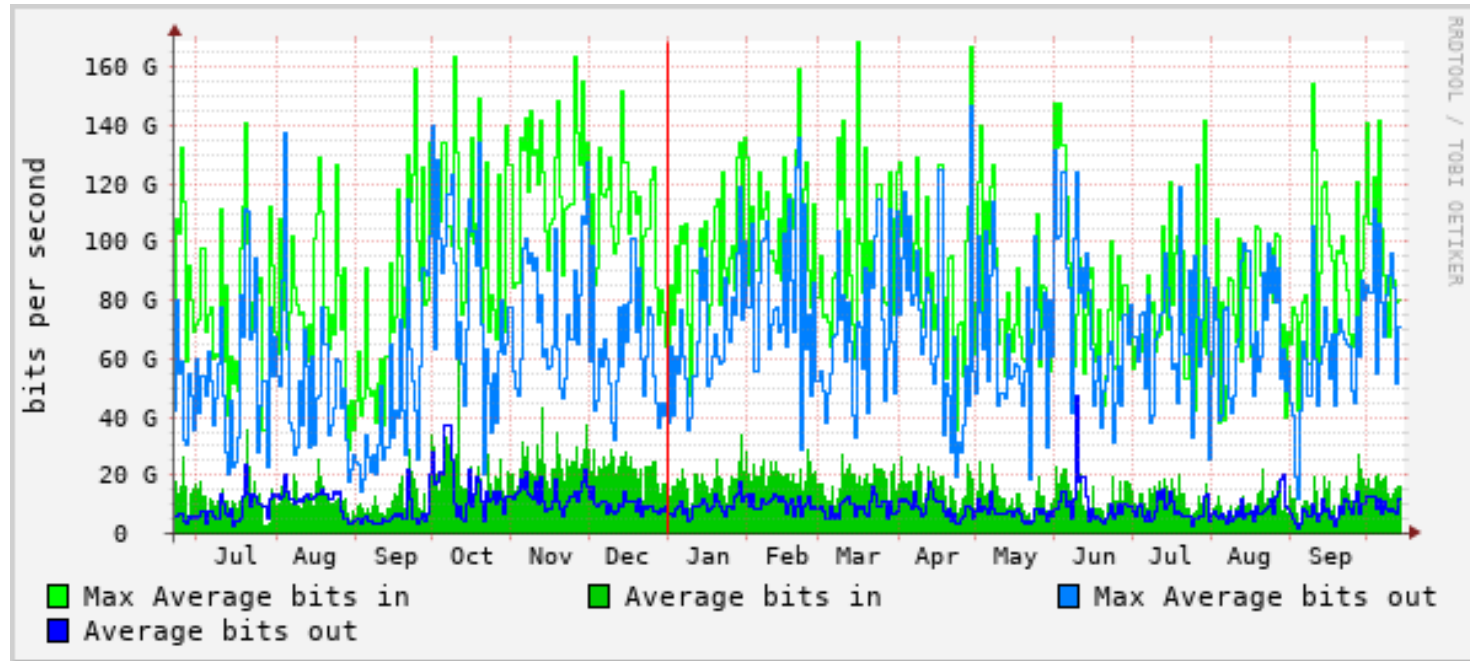
Border Gateway Protocol (BGP) used here is based on (weighted) path vector traversal mechanism



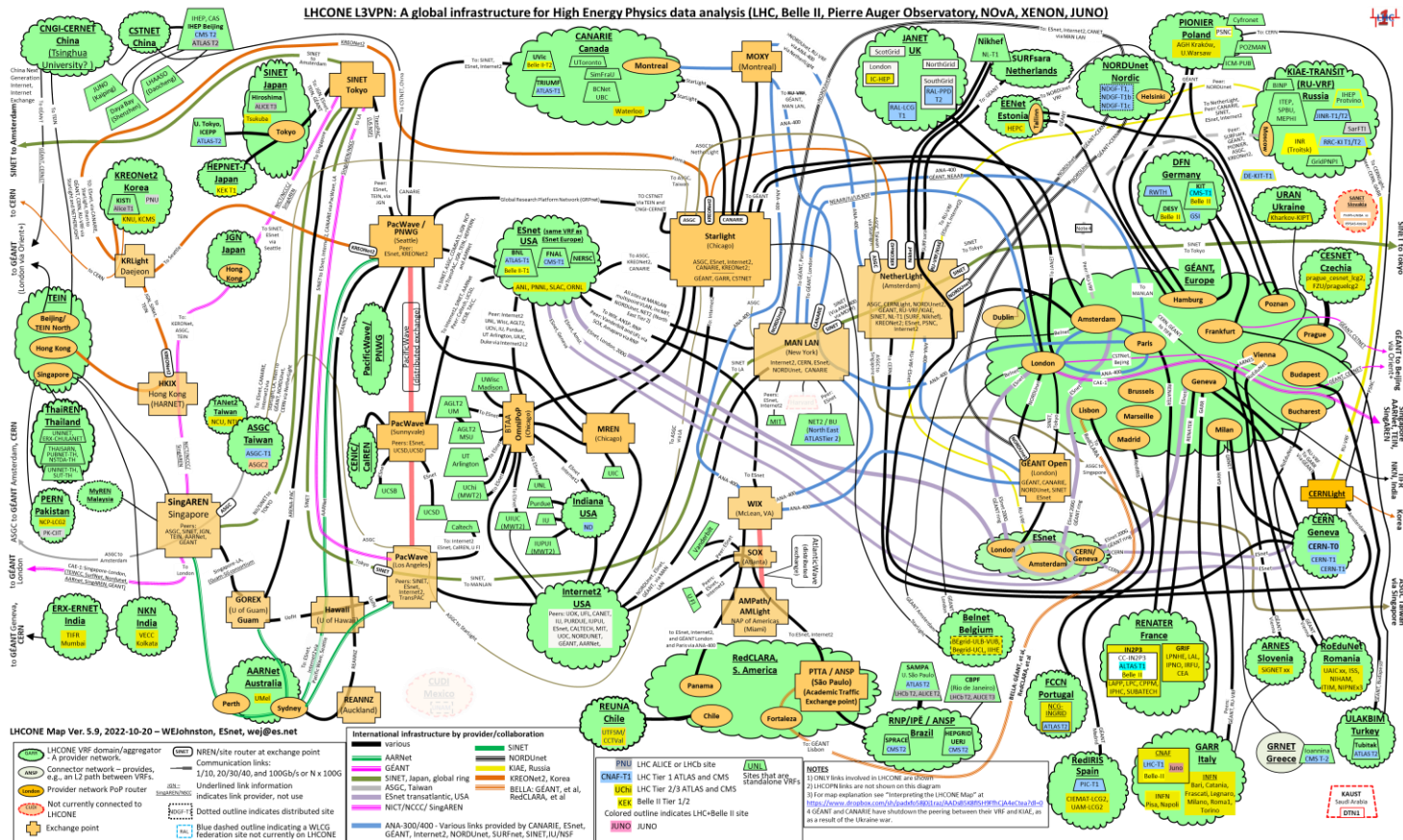
grey-dash lines for illustration only: may not correspond to actual peerings or transit agreements;
red lines: the three existing LHCOPN and R&E fall-back routes; yellow: public internet fall-back (least preferred option)



Typical data traffic to and from the processing cluster



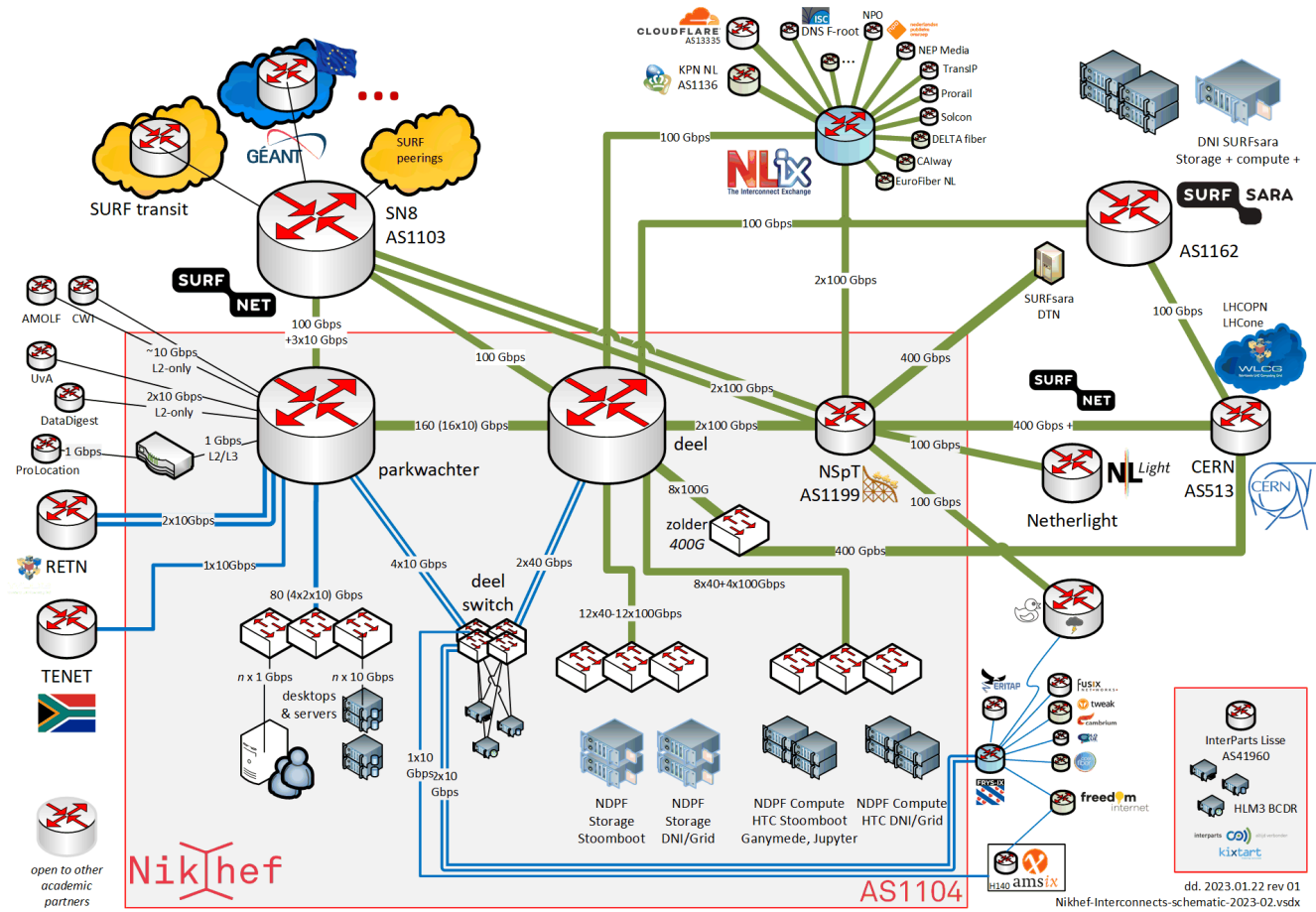
Source: Nikhef cricket graphs period June 2021 – October 2022 – aggregated (research) traffic to external peers from deelqfx – <https://cricket.nikhef.nl/>



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



Just one random (smallish) autonomous system



AS1104

dd. 2023.01.22 rev 01
Nikhef-Interconnects-schematic-2023-02.vsdX

Exercising the network – sensor data and events

```
Interface: ae66, Enabled, Link is Up
Encapsulation: ethernet, Speed: 1200000mbps
Traffic statistics:
Input bytes: 491308044270834 (522650585576 bps) [455708529457430]
Output bytes: 55684866 (49256 bps)
Input packets: 7676688082851 (1020790999 pps) 1.02 Bpps [872]
Output packets: 418932 (48 pps) [717]

Error statistics:
Interface 1/1 Link/ Input packets ol rece (pps) for Output packets (pps)
ethernet 1/13/1-1/13/4 Flowcontrol send on force
ae0 net 1/14/ Up /14/4 48975582 ol receiv (47) force 902463 (0)
ae1 net 1/1/ Down /14/4 Flowcontrol send on force 0 (0)
ae66 net 1/1/ Down /15/4 Flowcontrol receiv (0) force 0 (0)
et-0/0/0 1/15/ Up /15/4 93484231 ol send on force 238363968625424 (593093300)
et-0/0/1 1/16/ Up 241383622064584 (593282053) force 24729 (0)
et-0/0/2 1/1/ Down (0)
et-0/0/3 net Down (0)
et-0/0/4 net 1 Up (0)
et-0/0/5 1/1 Up (0)
et-0/0/6 net Up (0)
et-0/0/7 1/3 (0)

tsuerink@deelfqx-re0> ping routing-instance LHCOPN 192.65.183.25 size 6000
PING 192.65.183.25 (192.65.183.25): 6000 data bytes
6008 bytes from 192.65.183.25: icmp_seq=0 ttl=64 time=45.239 ms
6008 bytes from 192.65.183.25: icmp_seq=1 ttl=64 time=51.277 ms
6008 bytes from 192.65.183.25: icmp_seq=2 ttl=64 time=43.677 ms
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Image: ballenbak.nikhef.nl, Tristan Suerink

En ... hoeveel gebruikt dat dan?

Eén server gebruikt zo'n 260W!

Current Power	Minimum Power	Peak Power	Average Power	Current / Maximum Power
264 Watt	264 Watt	273 Watt	267 Watt	<div style="display: inline-block; width: 100%;"><div style="width: 55%; background-color: green; height: 10px;"></div></div> 264 / 480 Watt

en het onderzoeksdatacentrum Nikhef (de 'glazen doos') kan 400kW aan – waar blijft dat dan?

De snelste CPU is voor ons niet altijd de beste (*sorry gamers!*). Want 5 jaar energie en beheer zijn even kostbaar als de server zelf!

WKO: Warmte Koude Opslag

21% van het vermogen is nodig om te koelen, maar: we mogen 3500GJoule/jaar (~112 kWjaar, ~982 000 kWh) aan studenten tegenover leveren om ze warm te houden !



Let's go on tour!



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