

virtual laboratory for e-science



De BiG Grid e-Infrastructuur digitaal onderzoek verbonden

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> Graphics: Real Time Monitor, Gidon Moont, Imperial College London, see http://gridportal.hep.ph.ic.ac.uk/rtm/



BiG Grid the dutch e-science grid







e-Infrastructure for Research

World Wide Web (1990) – sharing information Grid (1997) – sharing computers and storage Clouds (2007) – commoditizing the Grid

more than one place on earth



more than one science!

What Makes e-Research Happen



more than one computer



more than ...



And Why Do We Need It?

Enhanced Science needs more and more computations and Collected data in science and industry grows exponentially

The Bible	5	MByte
Your own digital photographs	5	MByte/image
Bio-informatics databases	500	GByte each
Refereed journal papers	1	TByte/yr
Satellite world imagery	5	TByte/yr
Large Synoptic Survey Telescope	30	Tbyte/day
Internet Archive 1996-2002	100	Tbyte
Web downloads for Google indexing	4	PByte/yr
Large Hadron Collider physics	20	PByte/yr
Astronomy tomorrow: SKA	365	PByte/yr

1 Petabyte = 1 000 000 000 Megabyte



Computing for Sub-Atomic Physics

Example: the Large Hadron Collider

 looking at the fundamental forces of nature

27 km circumference
Located at CERN, Geneva, CH

Balloon (30 Km)

> CD stack with 1 year LHC data! (~ 20 Km)

| Concorde (15 Km)

~ 20 000 000 Gigabyte per year
 ~ 60 000 modern PC-style computers

Mt. Blanc (4.8 Km)



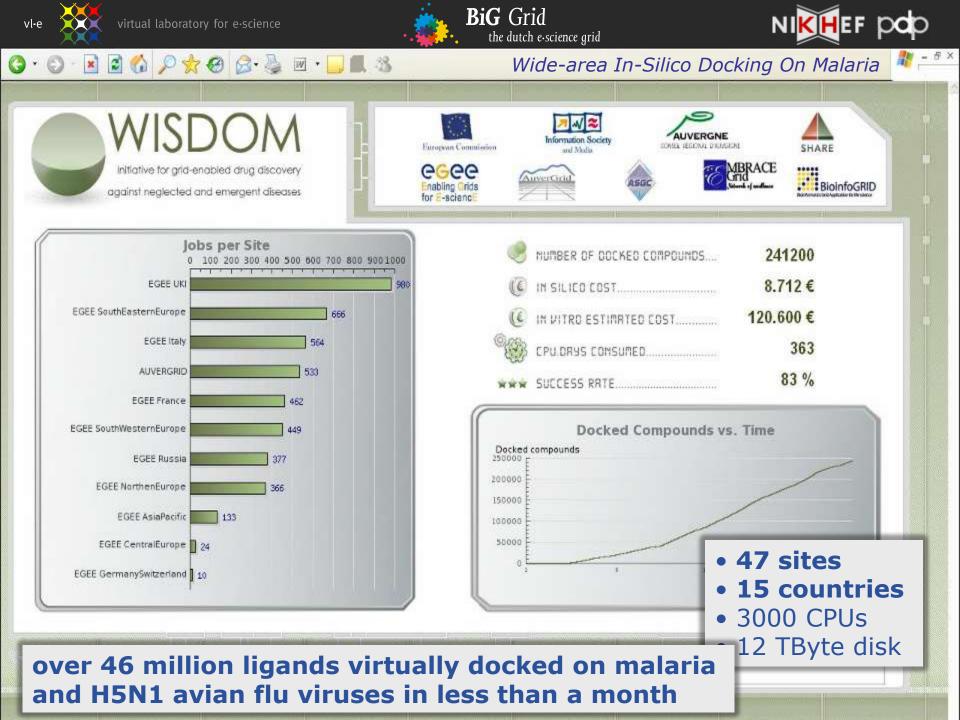


Beyond the Web: Grids for e-Science

Work regardless of geographical location, interact with colleagues, share and access data Scientific instruments, libraries nd experiments provide huge mounts of data

- Grid enabling distributed collaboration
- Software enables resource sharing
- Community building and collaboration
- Access resources at any place
- Move your work around the world, or in to the Cloud

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Science and Corporate Grids

Big science is not alone

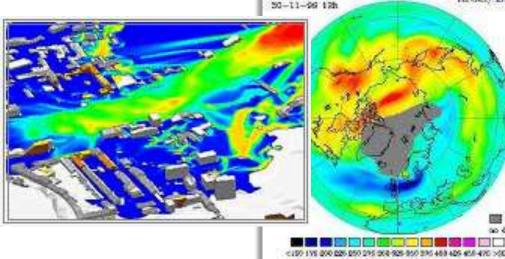
Medical imaging

Aerospace modelling air flow and stress Finance rapid what-if analyses (oops!)

Climate modelling

Flood prediction





But although the parallelism is convenient, managing complexity in a large-scale environment is not ... and cooling and power constraints limit the data centre ... the grid could help do the work in the 'greenest' place



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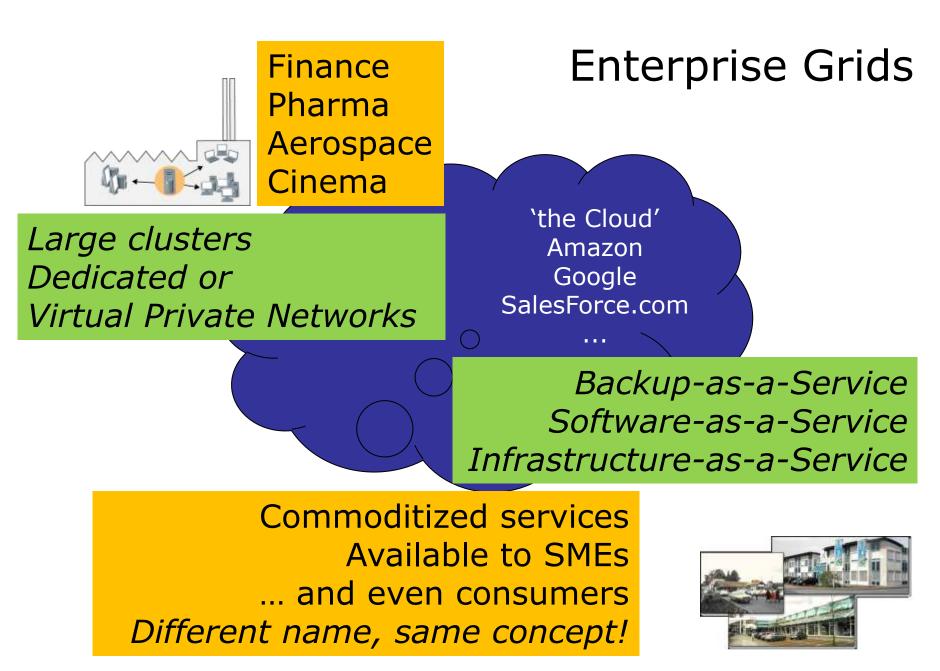
Different Communities build Different Grids

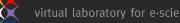


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Contributed 'Volunteer' Computing



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Many applications fit a 'client-server' model

- `it does not matter where the computer or data is' -

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and if you have mainly compute tasks and little data, even idle home PCs can contribute compute power - although network bandwidth is limited ...



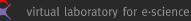
Pioneered \sim 1996 by SETI@home and 'distributed.net'

BOINC: generic middleware for 'volunteer' grids: 2005





go to boinc.berkeley.edu for information and links to projects



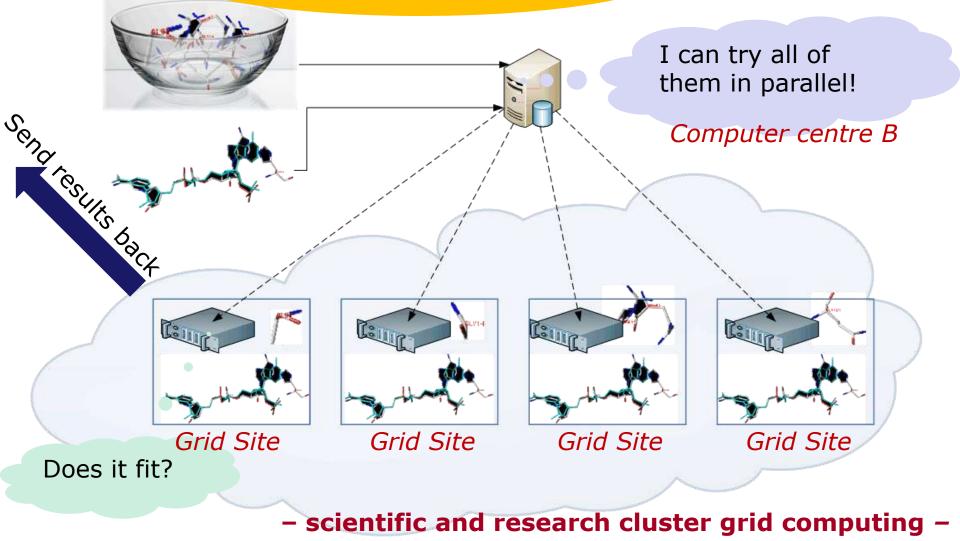
Lab A





Conveniently Parallel Computing

Find ligands from the bowl that match the molecule!



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Nikhef (NDPF)

2550 processor cores390 000 GByte disk3x10000 Mbps networks

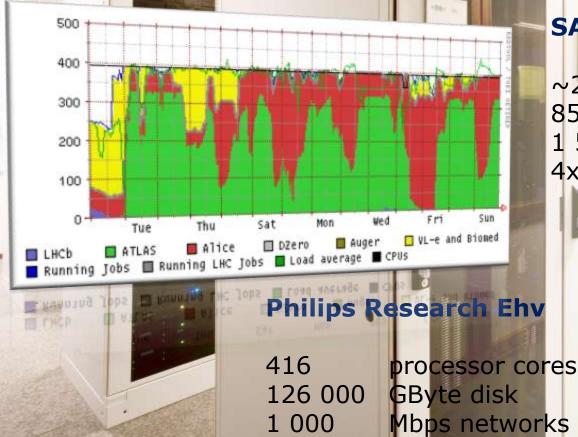
SARA (GINA+LISA)

~2900 850 000 1 500 000 4x 10 000

processor cores GByte disk GByte tape Mbps networks

RUG-CIT (Grid)

> 200 processor cores34 000 GByte disk10 000 Mbps networks









Academia Sinica (TW)

Enabling the Grid – the Network

TRIUMPH (CA) USLHCNET

USLHCNET

(ENAL, BNL

LHC Optical Private Network

10 000 Mbps dedicated global networks

NL-T1 and Netherlight

RAL

CCIN2P3

KIT (FZK)

INFN-CNA

CERN

PIC "there's always fibre within 2 miles from you – where ever you are in the Netherlands it's just that last mile to your home that's missing – and a business model for your telecom provider..."

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Fing Grids

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Scheduled = 9740 Running = 11034

Applications beyond Big Science

or: can the Grid help me?

Imperial College

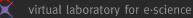




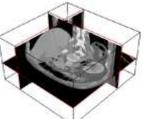
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Data integration for genomics, proteomics, etc. analysis

Timo Breit et al. Swammerdam Institute of Life Sciences



Medical Imaging and fMRI

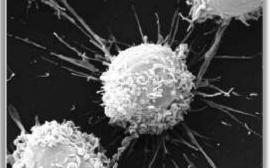
Silvia Olabarriaga et al. AMC and UvA IvI



Avian Alert and FlySafe

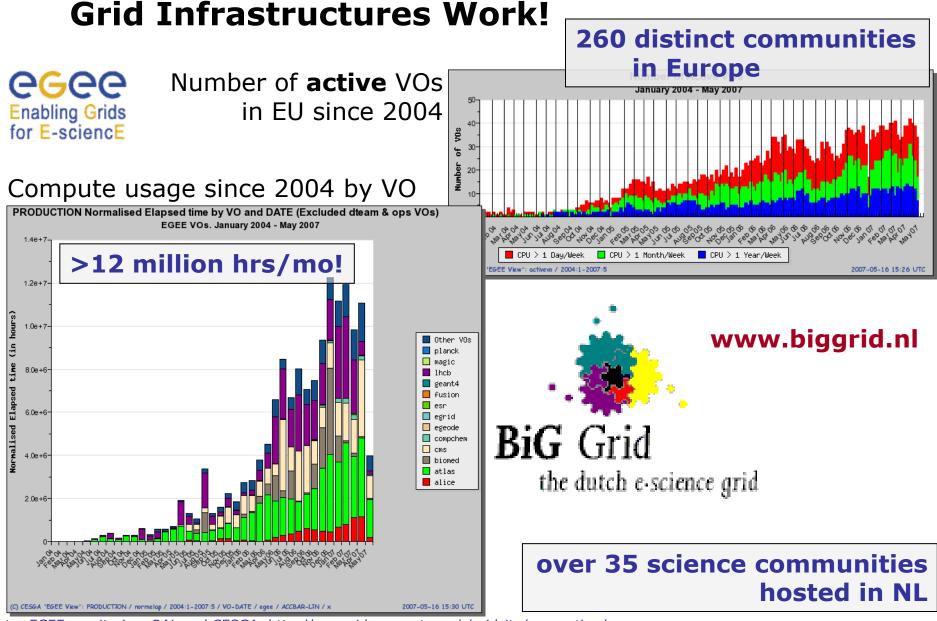
Bram Koster et al. IUMC Microscopic Imaging group

Molecular Cell Biology and 3D Electron Microscopy



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data: EGEE monitoring, RAL and CESGA, http://goc.grid-support.ac.uk/gridsite/accounting/





Energizing the Data Centre – the next challenge

Floor space is no longer the limiting factor in data centres, its energy!

Rating of the power socket dominates the cost of in commercial housing

We probably have the largest number, world-wide, of the energy efficient L5520 Intel CPUs at the Amsterdam Science Park

Our BiG Grid tenders drive vendors to offer the latest in Green IT hardware

Energy consumption is as important as investment price

And maybe ... Grid computing, and fast networks, can help move energy-intensive calculations to where energy is plentiful ... and it could even follow the sun It's important to be where the network is -better: be right on top!

... and we are powered by 'green electricity' from renewable sources @ ...



http://www.vl-e.nl/ http://www.biggrid.nl/ http://www.nikhef.nl/grid/

