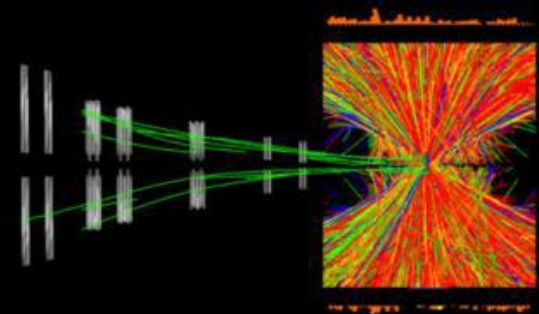
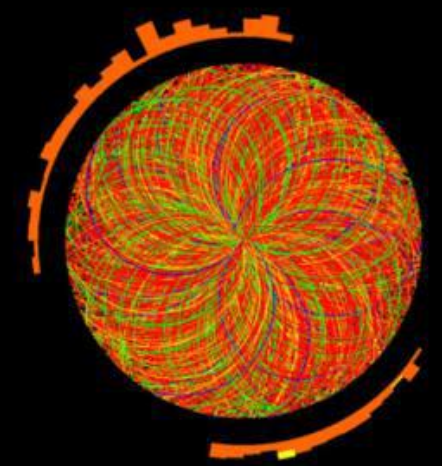
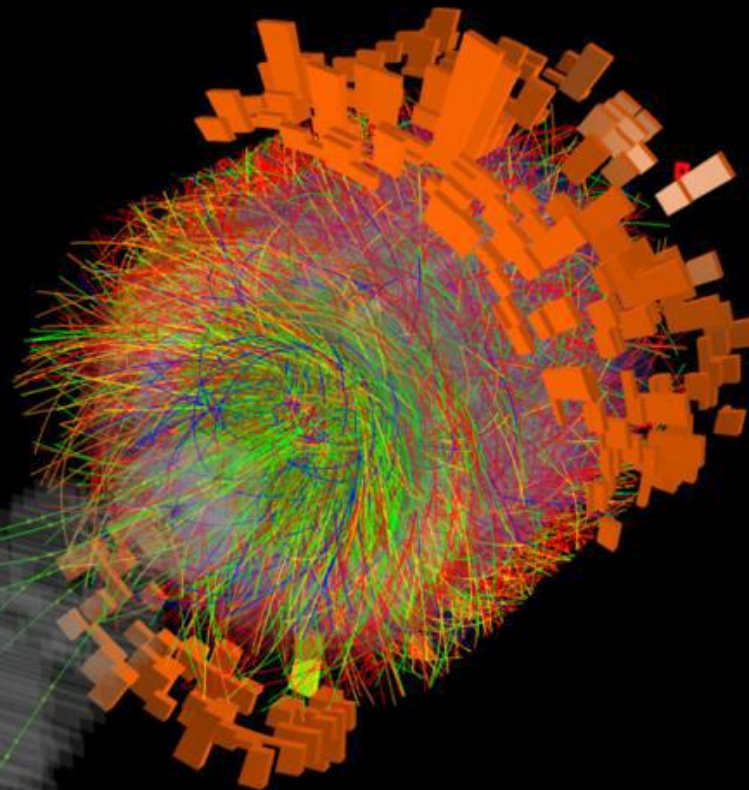


# Accelerating Throughput – from the LHC to the World

*David Groep*



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Nikhef  
PDP –  
Advanced Computing  
for Research



Run:244918  
Timestamp:2015-11-25 11:25:36(UTC)  
System: Pb-Pb  
Energy: 5.02 TeV

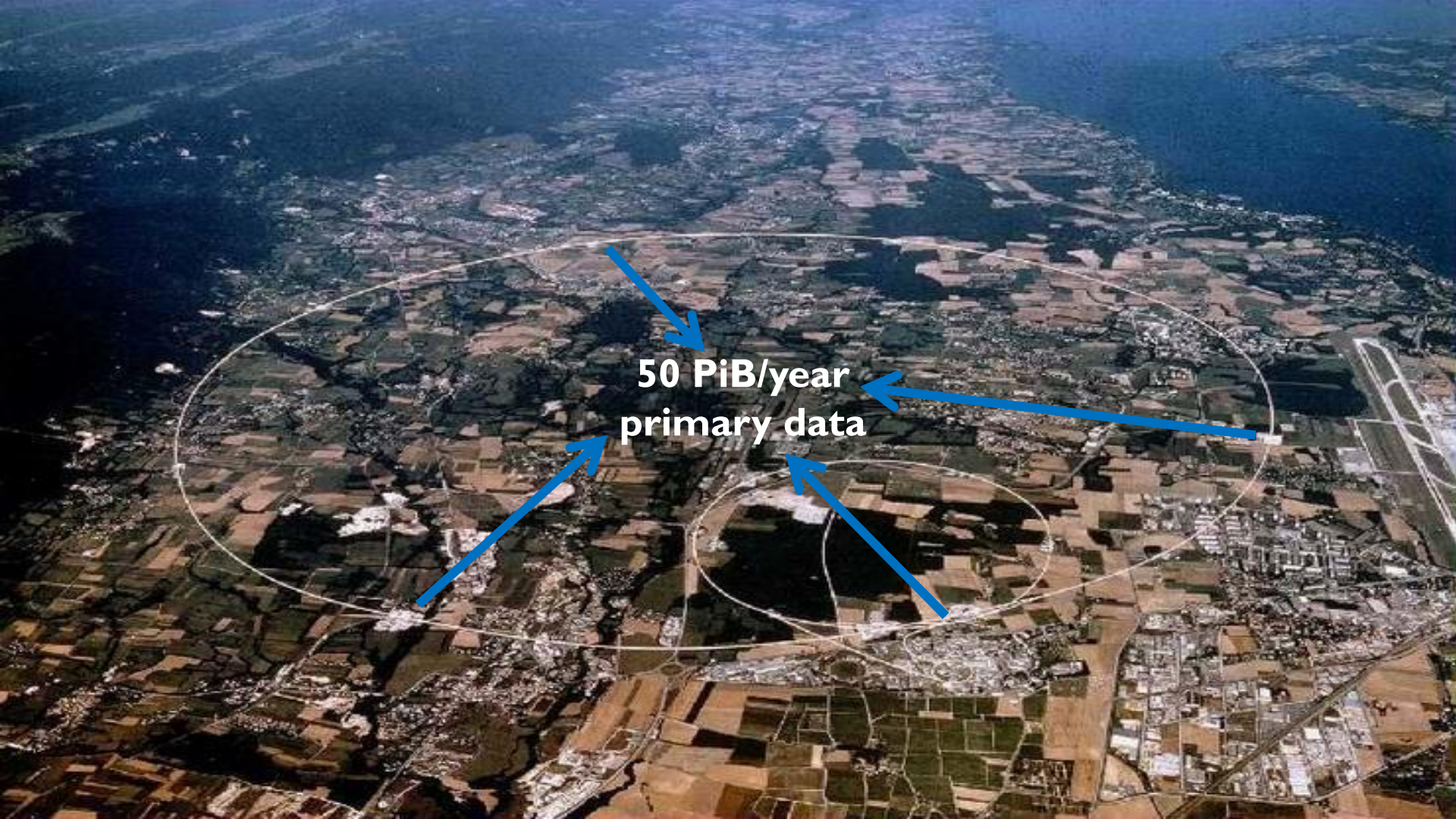
12.5 MByte/event ... 120 TByte/s ... *and now what?*



Kans Higgs deeltje:

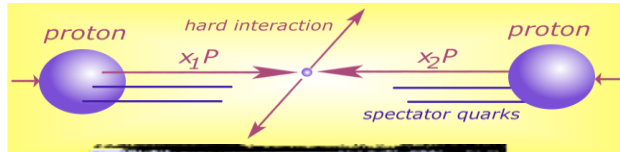
**1 op de 1.000.000.000.000 bostingen**

- Dit is equivalent met zoeken van 1 persoon op 1000 wereldpopulaties
- Oftewel één naald in 20 miljoen hooibergen



**50 PiB/year  
primary data**

# Detector to doctor ...

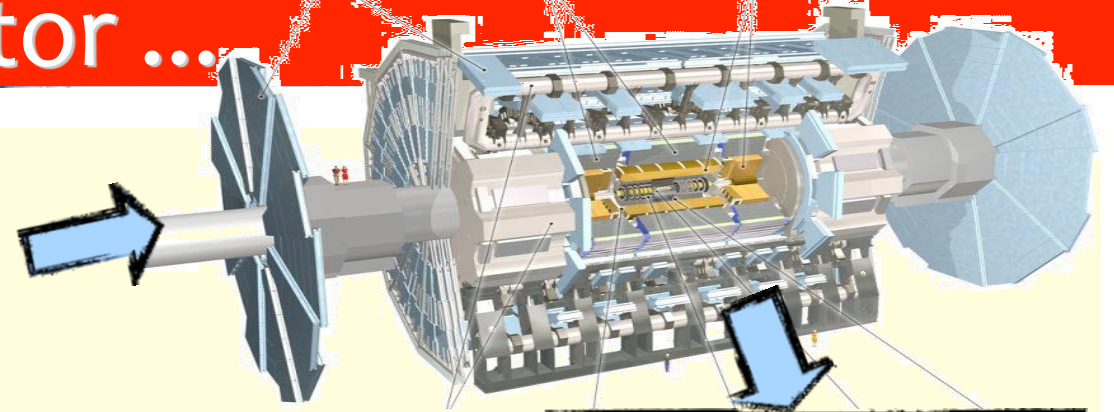


40 miljoen / seconde

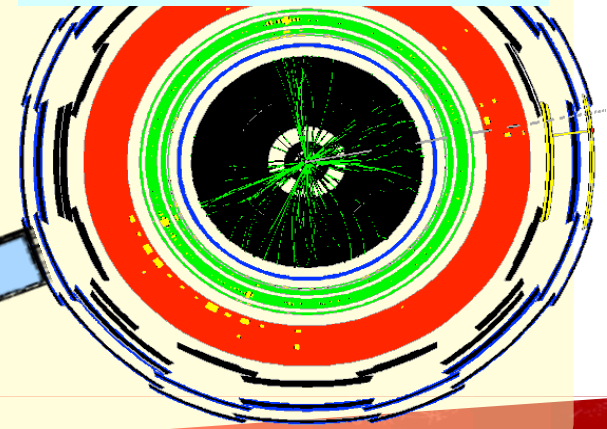
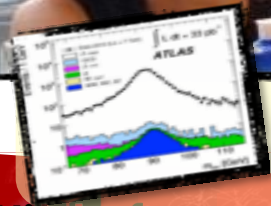
Analyse van botsingen door promovendi

and processing

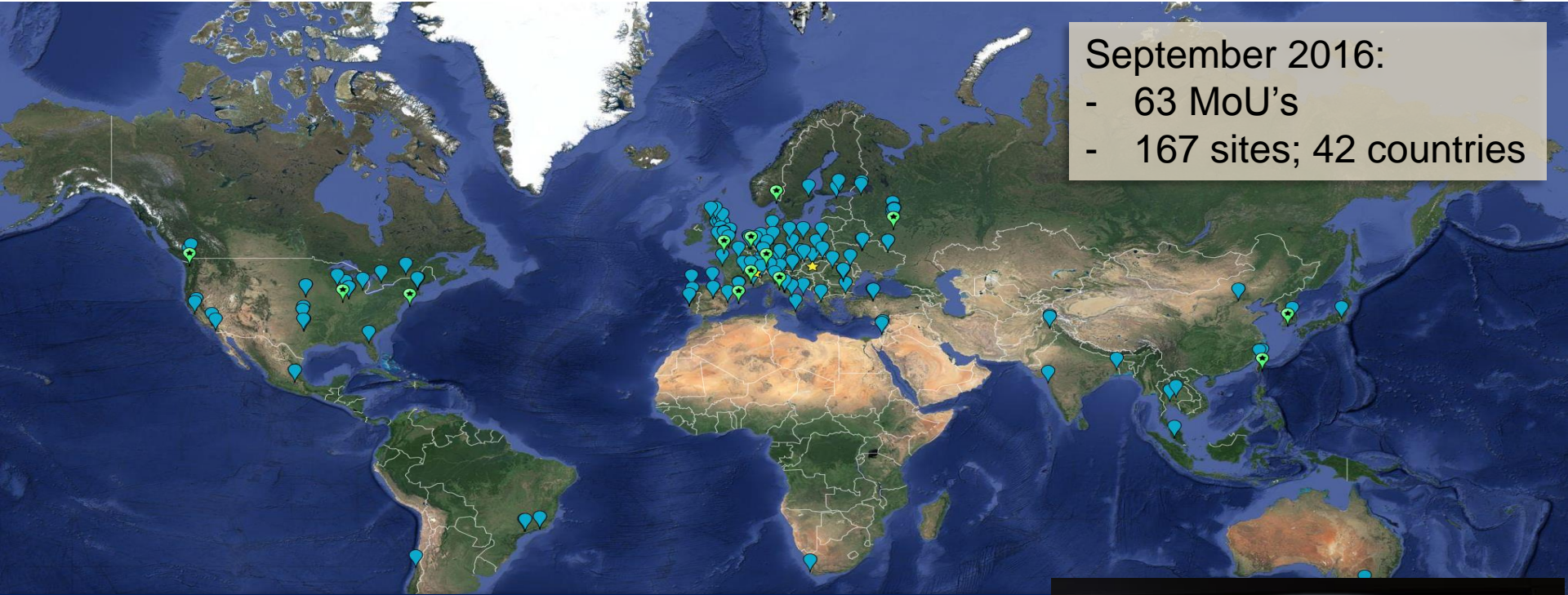
Data distributie met GRID computers



Trigger systeem selecteert 600 Hz ~ 1 GB/s data

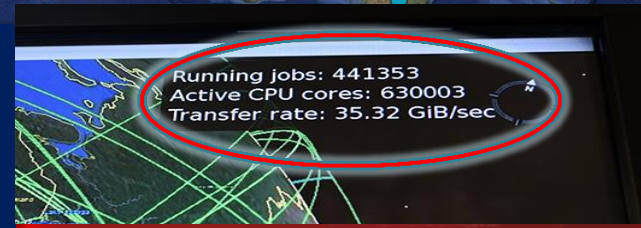


# Building the Infrastructure ... in a federated way



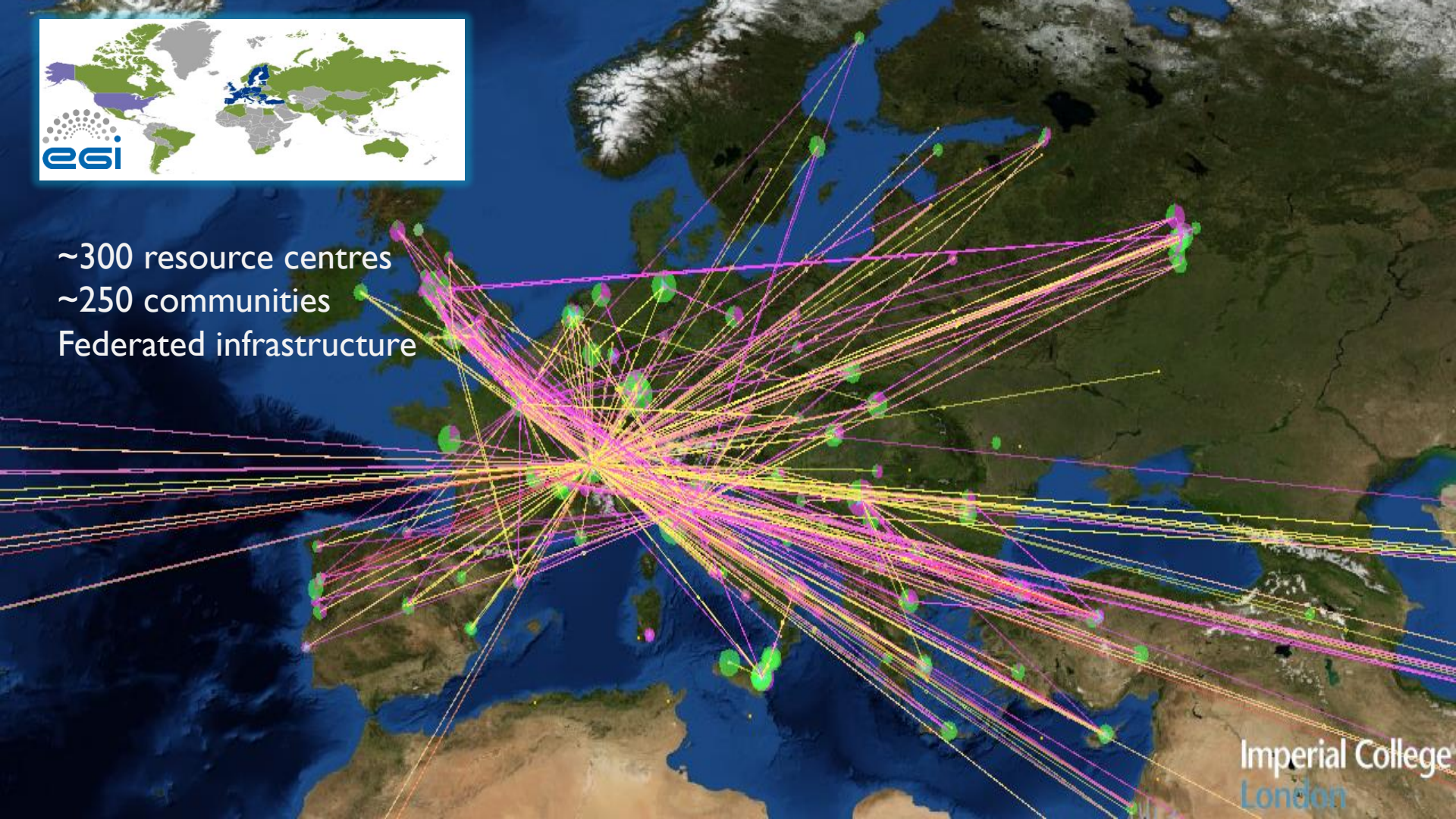
September 2016:  
- 63 MoU's  
- 167 sites; 42 countries

- CPU: 3.8 M HepSpec06
  - If today's fastest cores: ~ 350,000 cors
  - Actually many more (up to 5 yr old cores)
- Disk 310 PB
- Tape 390 PB





~300 resource centres  
~250 communities  
Federated infrastructure



# Global collaboration – in a secure way



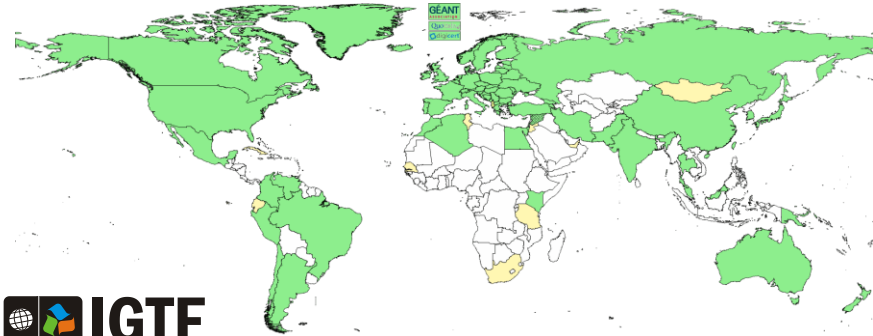
*Collaboration is people as well as (or even more than) systems*

A global identity federation for e-Infra and cyber research infrastructures

- Common baseline assurance (trust) requirements
- Persistent and globally unique

needs a global scope – so we built the Interoperable Global Trust Federation

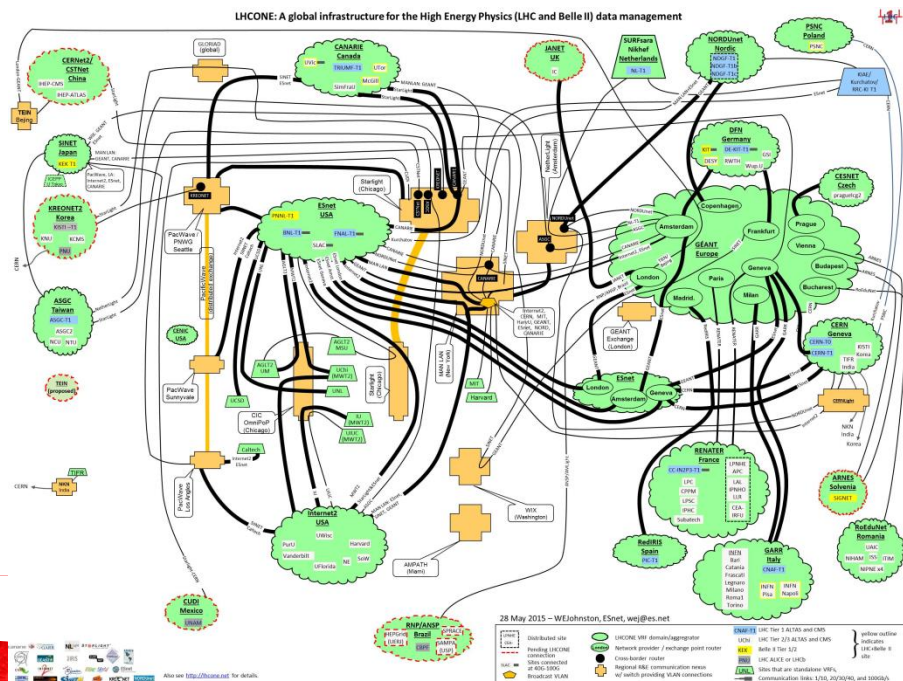
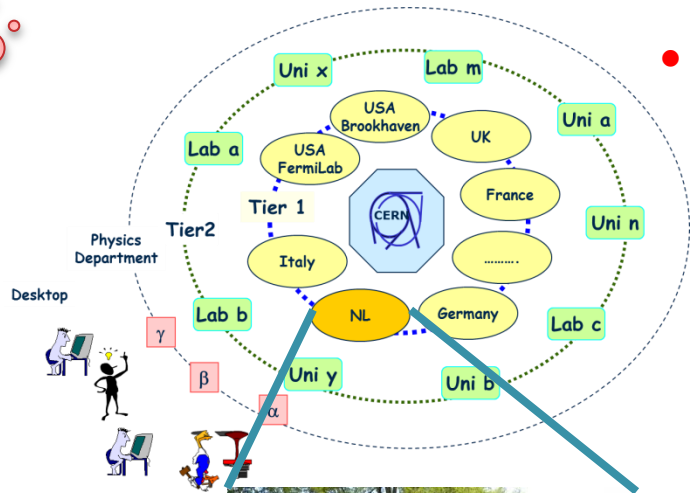
- over 80 member Authorities
- Including your GÉANT Trusted Certificate Service



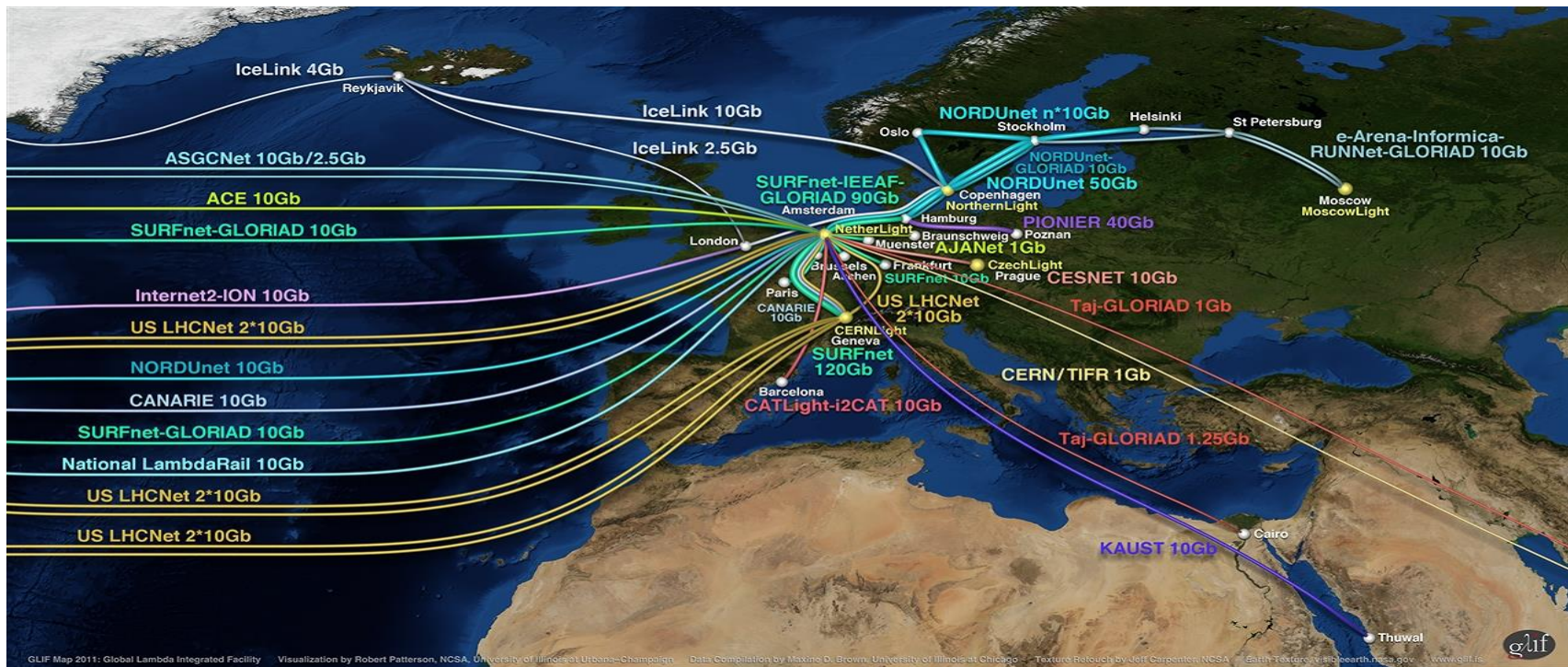


# Building the infrastructure for the LHC data

- From hierarchical data distribution to a full mesh and dynamic data placement



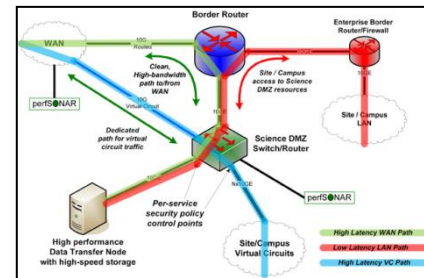
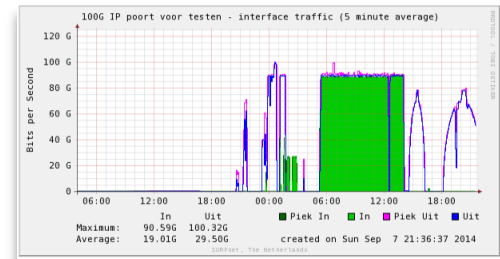
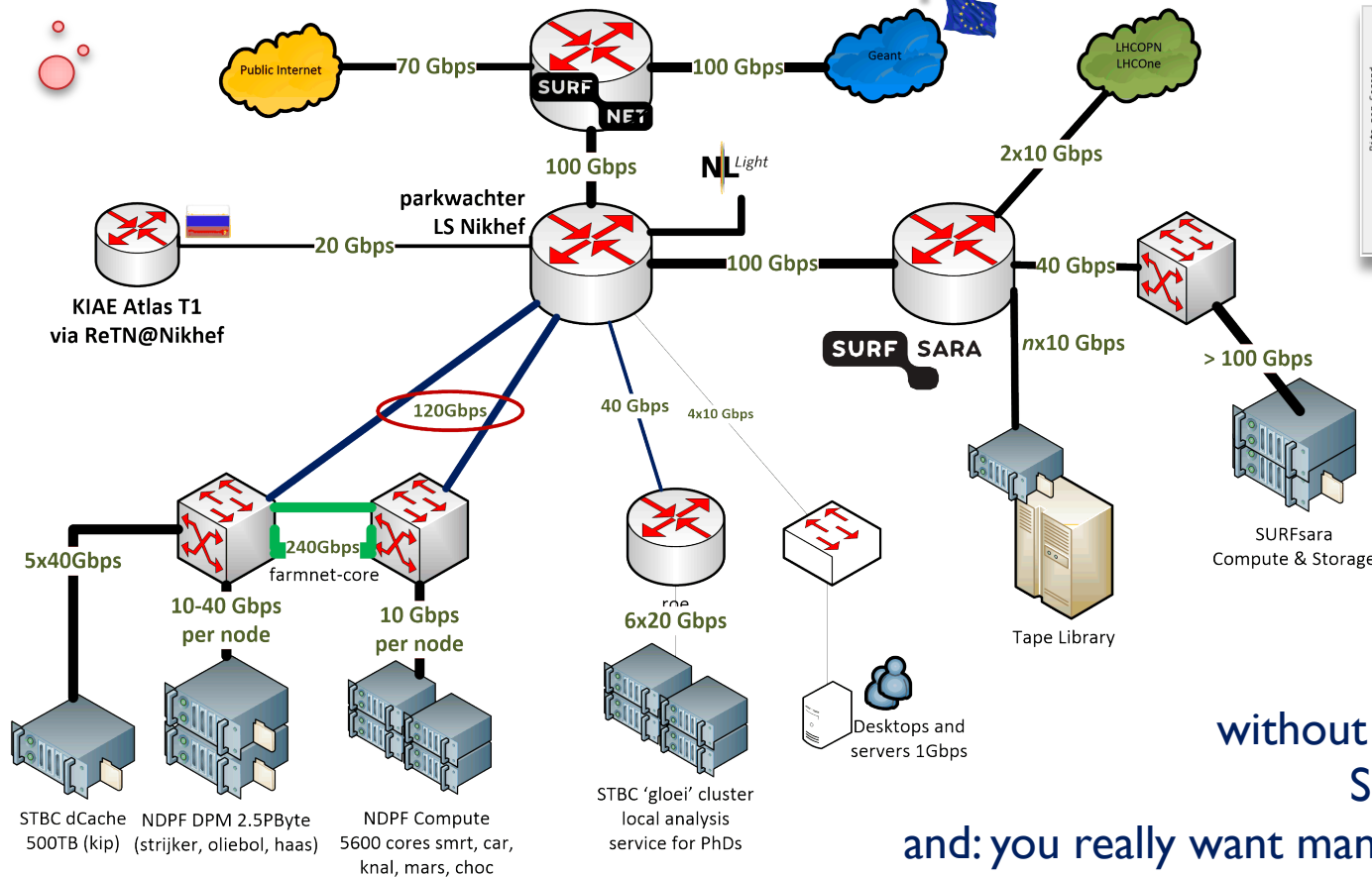
# Connecting Science through Lambdas



GLIF Map 2011: Global Lambda Integrated Facility Visualization by Robert Patterson, NCSA, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign Data Compilation by Maxima D. Brevin, University of Illinois at Chicago Texture Rotoceby Jeff Carpenter, NCSA Earth Texture by Earth Research, Texas.gov www.glif.org

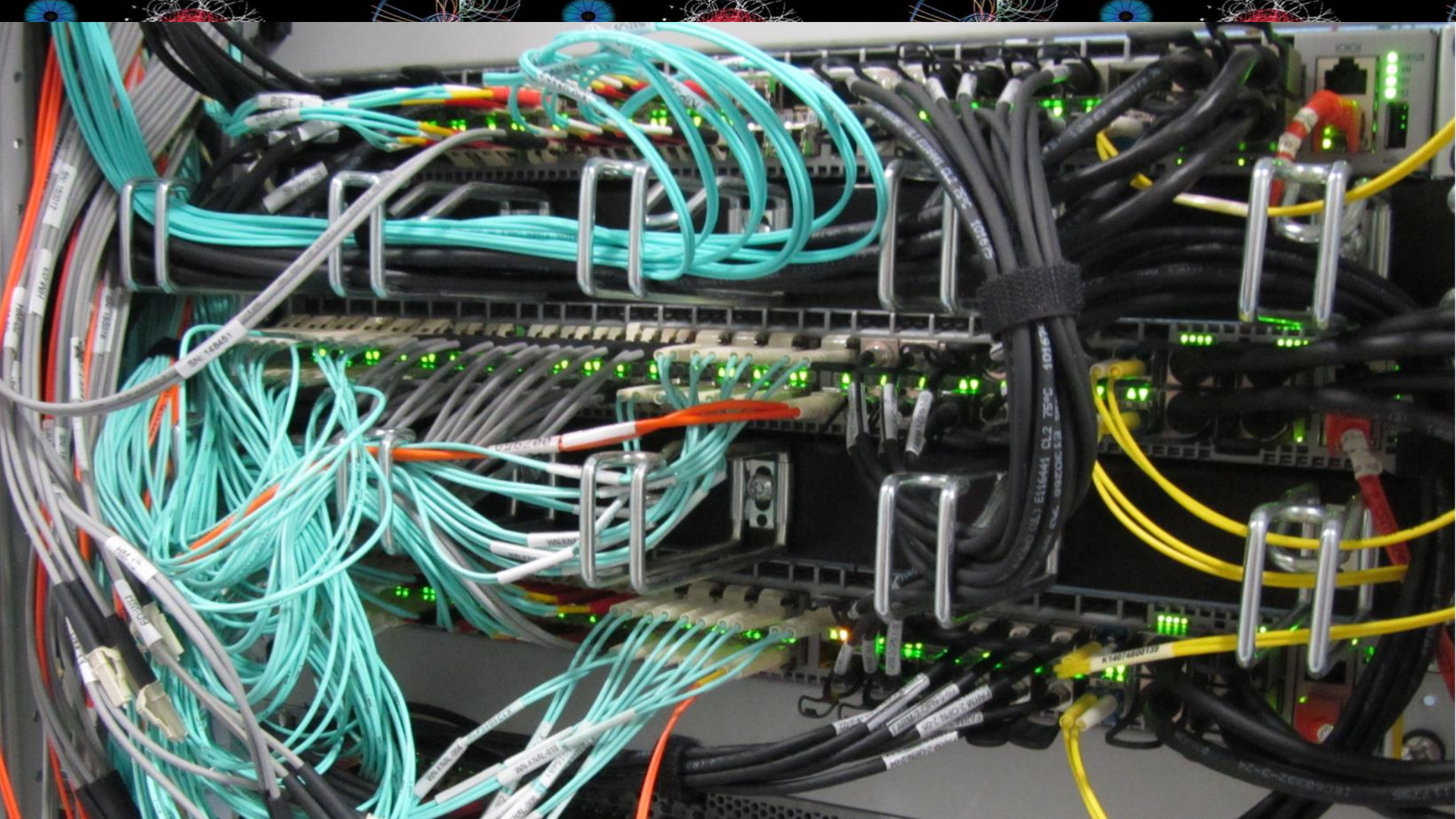


# Network built around application data flow



**Need to work together!**  
 without our SURFsara peering,  
 SURFnet gets flooded 😊

and: you really want many of your own peerings



# Statistics



Dutch National e-Infrastructure coordinated by  
“BiG Grid” HTC and storage platform services

- 3 core operational sites: SURFsara, Nikhef, RUG-CIT
- 25+ PiB tape, 10+ PiB disk, 12000+ CPU cores

## @Nikhef

~ 5500 cores and 3.5 PiB

focus on large/many-core systems

> 45 install flavours (service types)

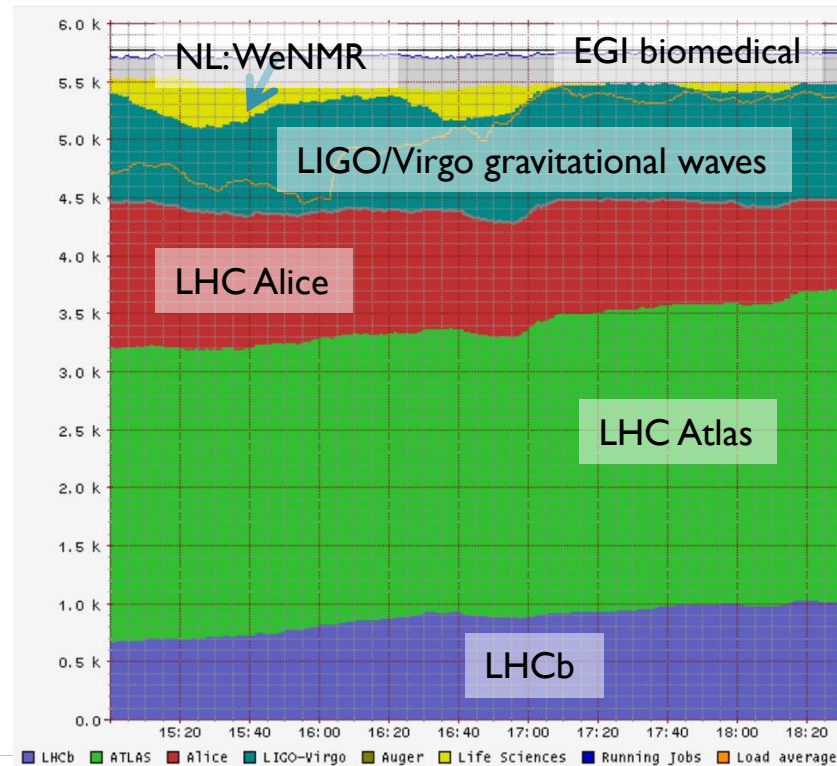
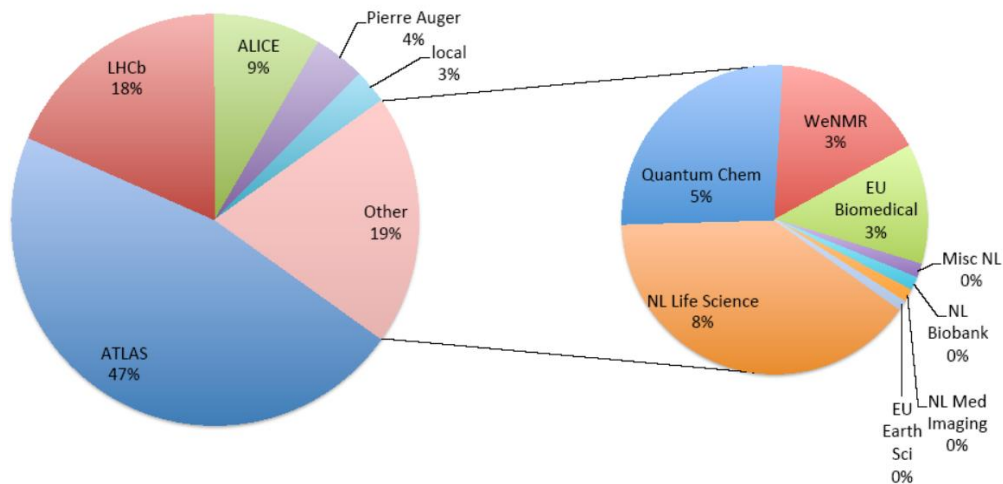
*and a bunch of one-off systems*



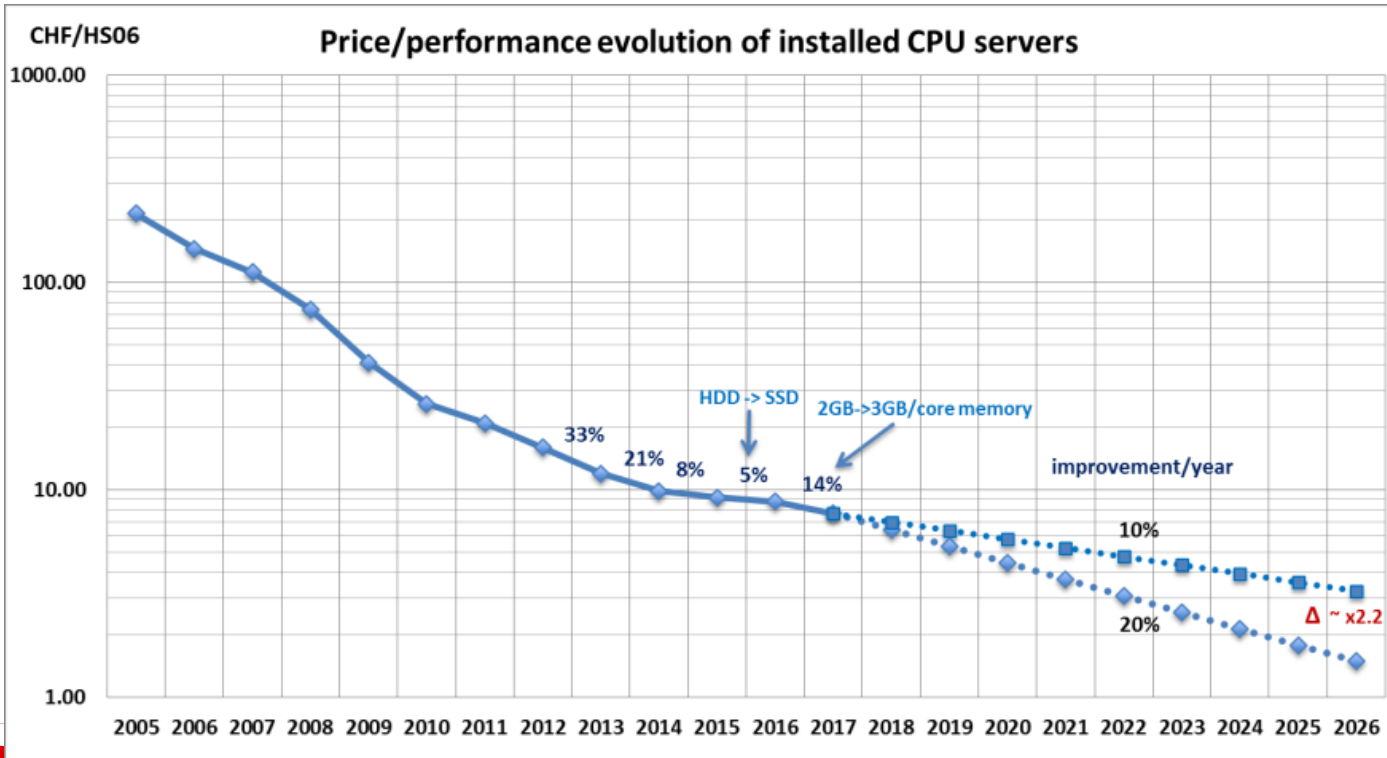
# Shared infrastructure, efficient infrastructure!



- >98% utilisation, >90% efficiency



# Waiting will not help you any more ...

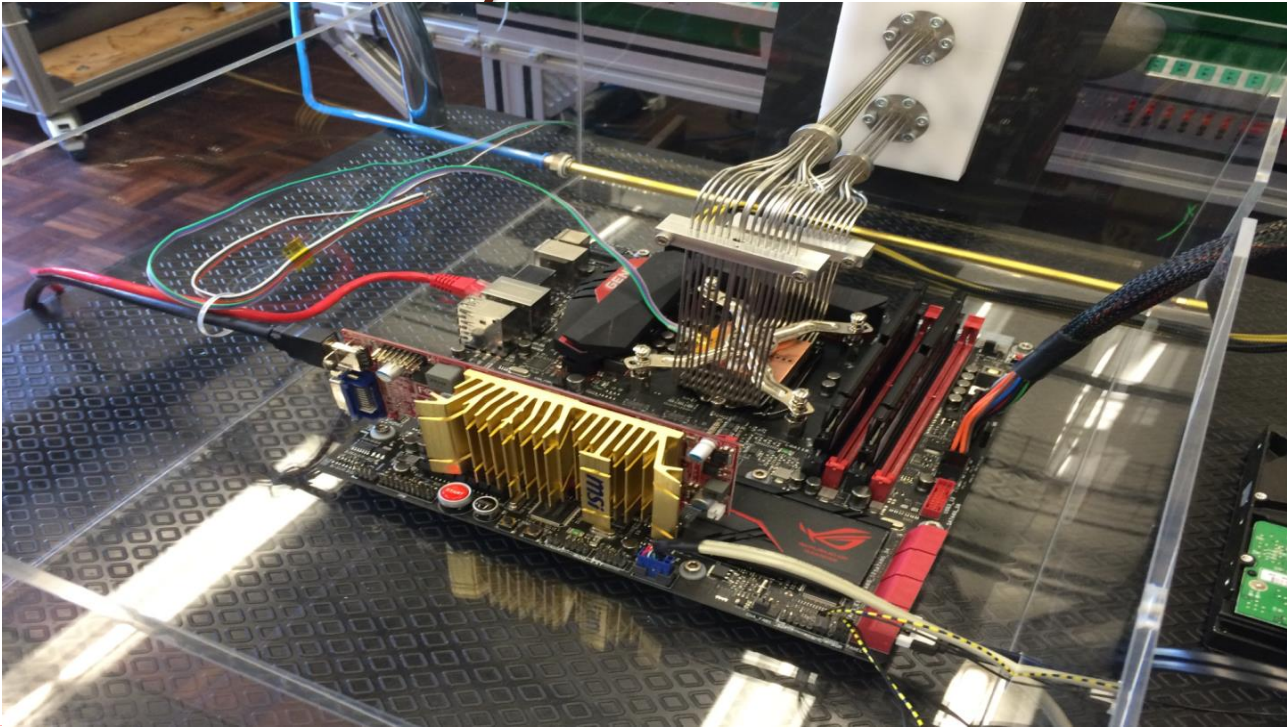


For (informed) fun & testing –  
some random one-off systems ...

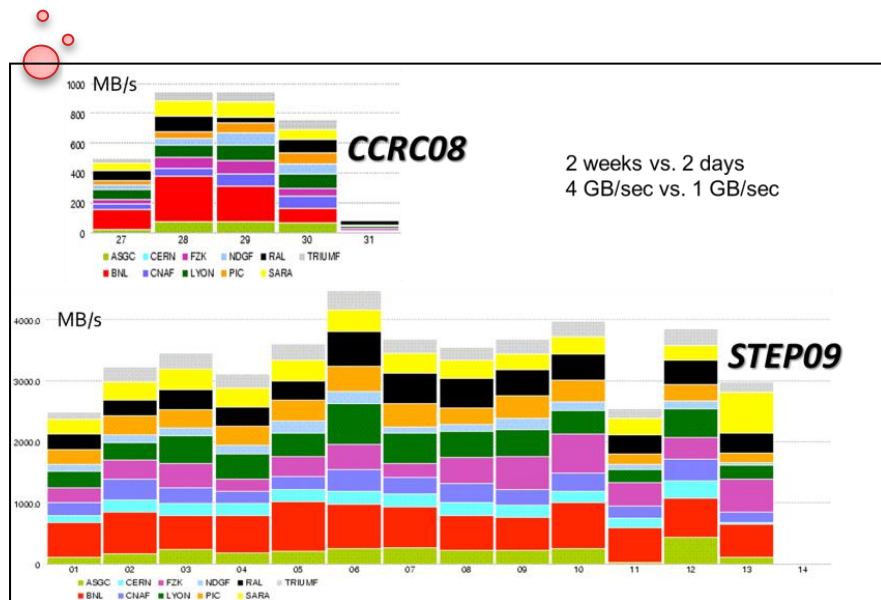




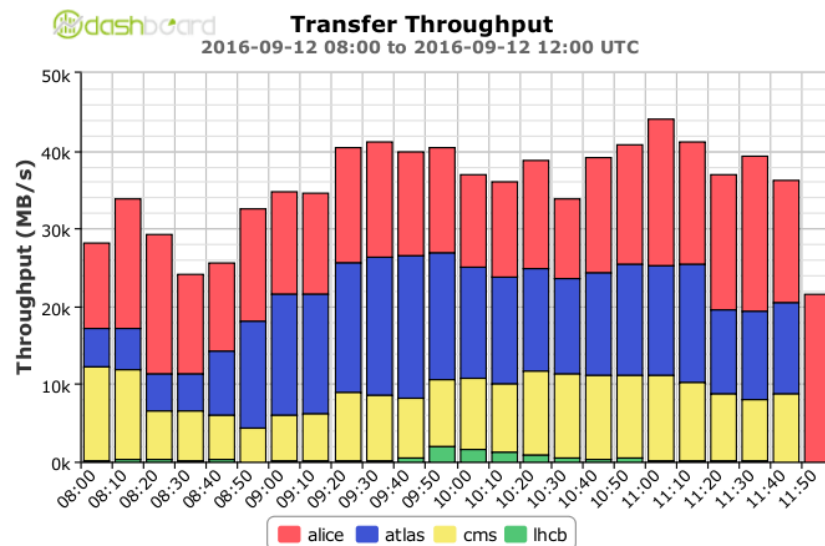
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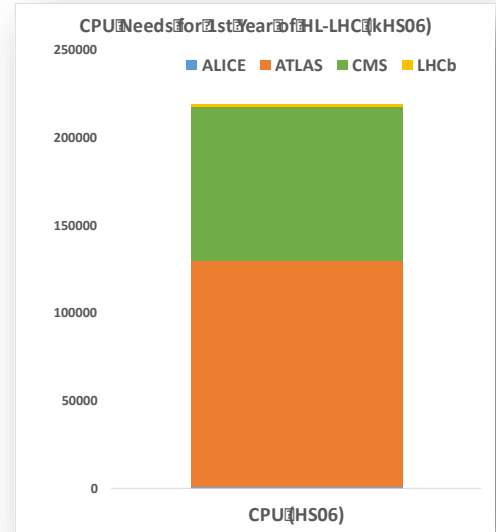
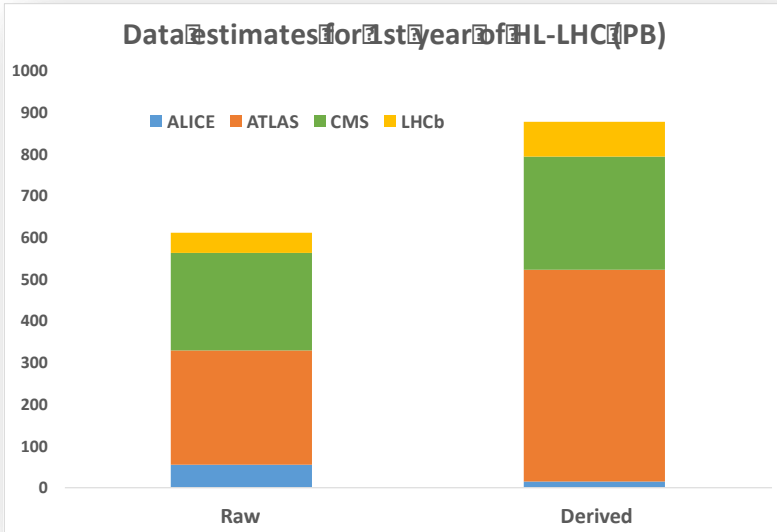
# From SC04, CCRC08, STEP09, .. to today ...



Global transfer rates increased to > 40 GB/s  
Acquisition: 10 PB/mo (~x2 for physics data)



# ... and tomorrow ?!



## Data:

- Raw 2016: 50 PB → 2027: 600 PB
- Derived (1 copy): 2016: 80 PB → 2027: 900 PB

## CPU:

- x60 from 2016

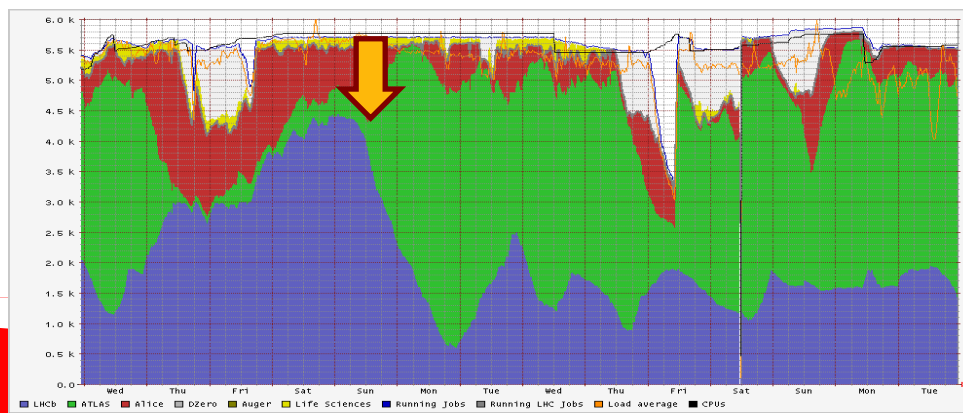
Technology at ~20%/year will bring x6-10 in 10-11 years

# Interconnecting compute & storage



‘data shall not be a bottleneck’

- 5500 cores process together  
~ 16 GByte/s of data sustained  
or ~ 10 GByte/jobslot/hr
- are ‘bursty’ when many tasks start together
- and *in parallel* we have to serve the world



# Infrastructure for research: balancing network, CPU, and disk

- CPU and disk both expensive, yet idling CPUs are ‘even costlier’
- architecture and performance matching averts any single bottleneck
- but requires knowledge of application (data flow) behaviour  
data pre-placement (local access), mesh data federation (WAN access)

This is why e.g. your USB drive does not cut it  
– and neither does your ‘home NAS box’  
*... however much I like my home system using just  
15 Watt idle and offering 16TB for just € 915 ...*



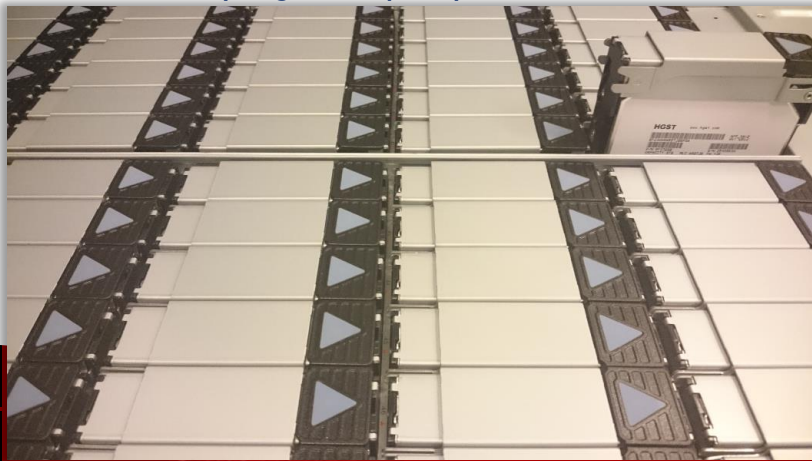
# Getting more bytes through?



- Power 8: more PCI lanes & higher clock should give more throughput – *if all the bits fit together*
- Only way to find out is ... by trying it!  
*joint experiment with Nikhef and SURFsara on comparing IO throughput between x86 & P8*

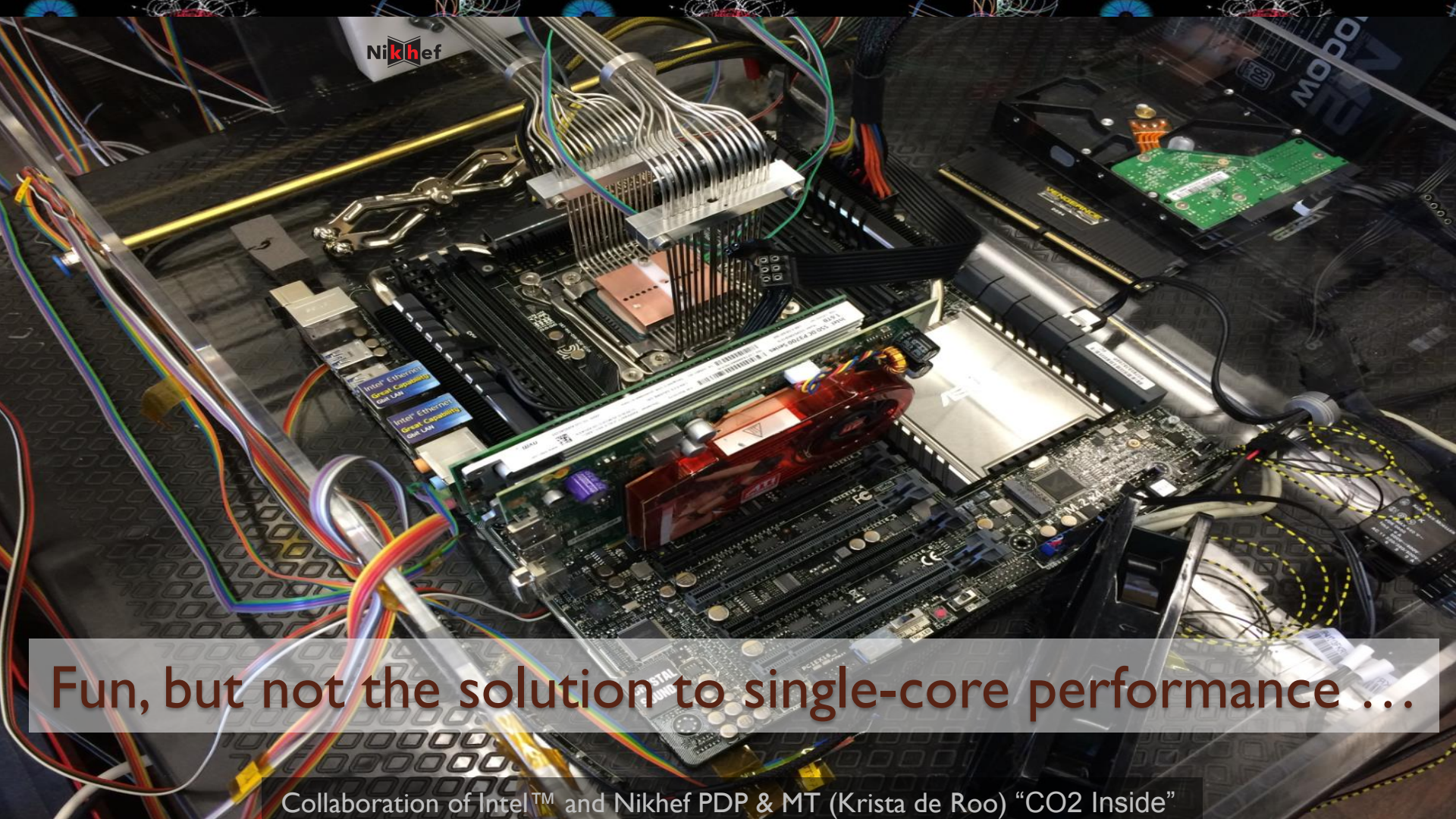


HGST: 480 TByte gross capacity/4RU



**yet more is needed**

- RAID card are now a performance bottleneck
- JBOD changes CPU-disk ratio
- closer integration of networking to get > 100Gbps



Nikhef

Fun, but not the solution to single-core performance ...

Collaboration of Intel™ and Nikhef PDP & MT (Krista de Roo) "CO2 Inside"

