

# Software-as-a-Service for Research Data Management

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# Exploding data volumes

## Astronomy

MACHO et al.: 1 TB

Palomar: 3 TB

2MASS: 10 TB

GALEX: 30 TB

Sloan: 40 TB

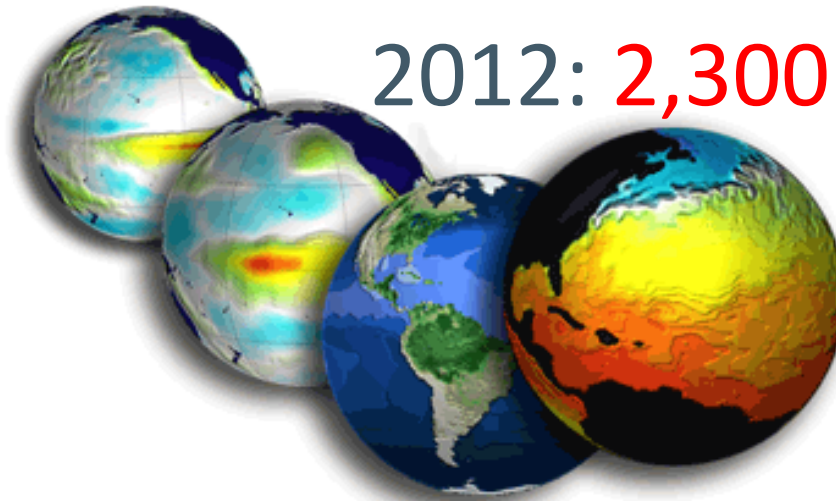
Pan-STARRS:  
40,000 TB



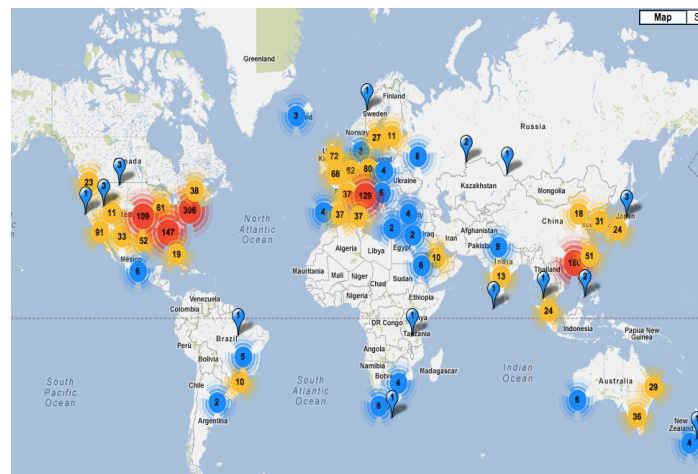
## Climate

2004: 36 TB

2012: 2,300 TB



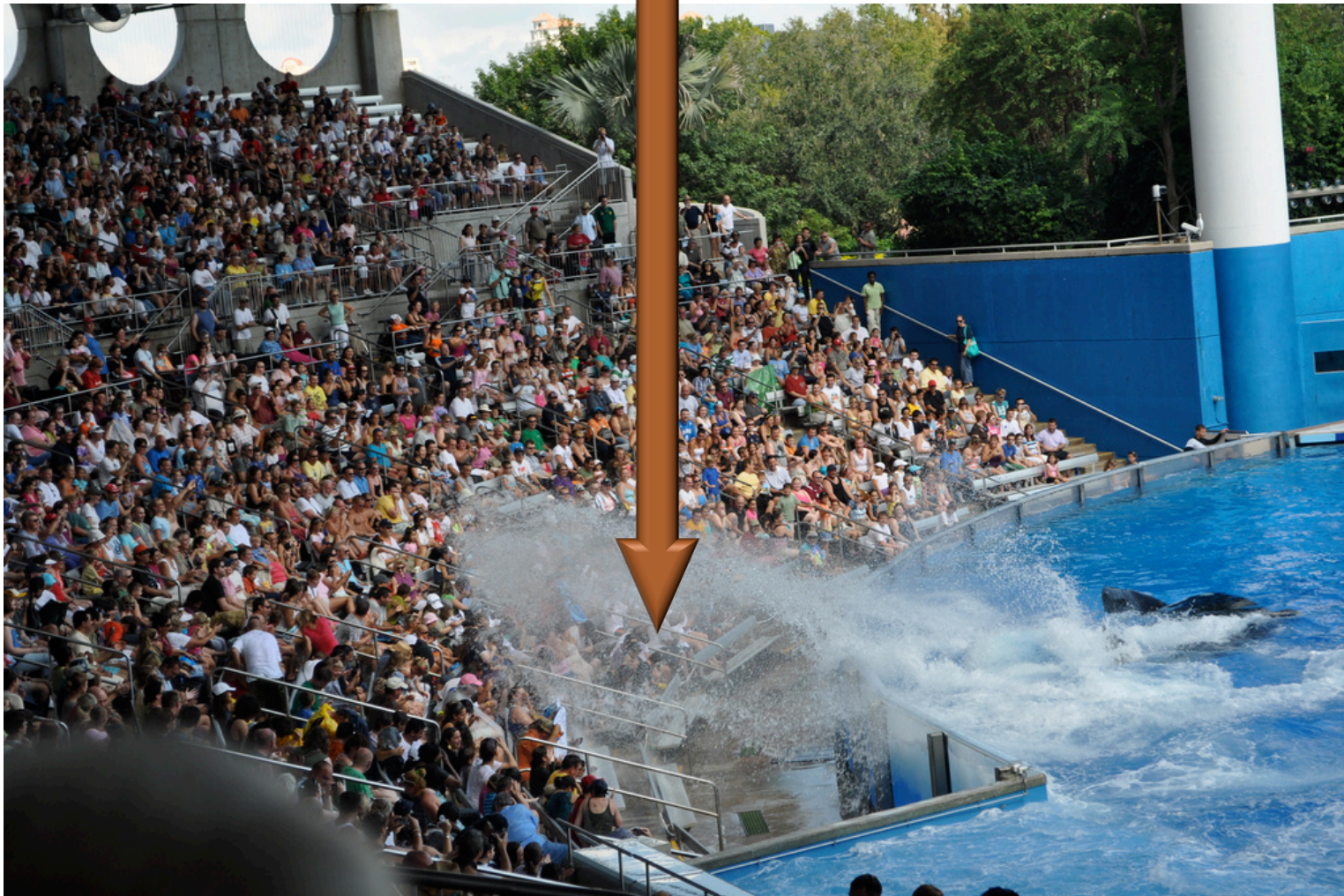
## Genomics



10<sup>5</sup> increase  
in data  
volumes in  
6 years

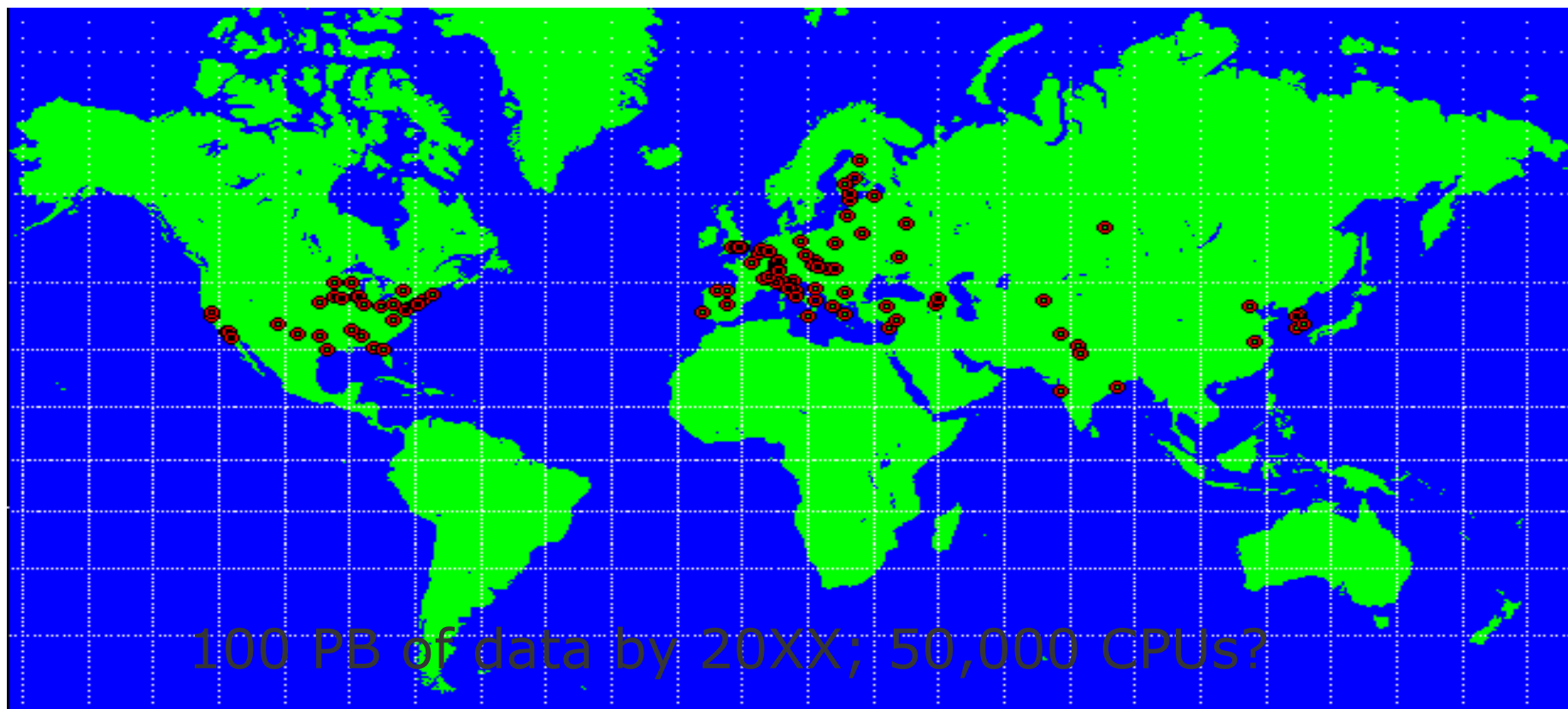


# Data Deluge



# Large Hadron Collider

1800 Physicists, 150 Institutes, 32 Countries

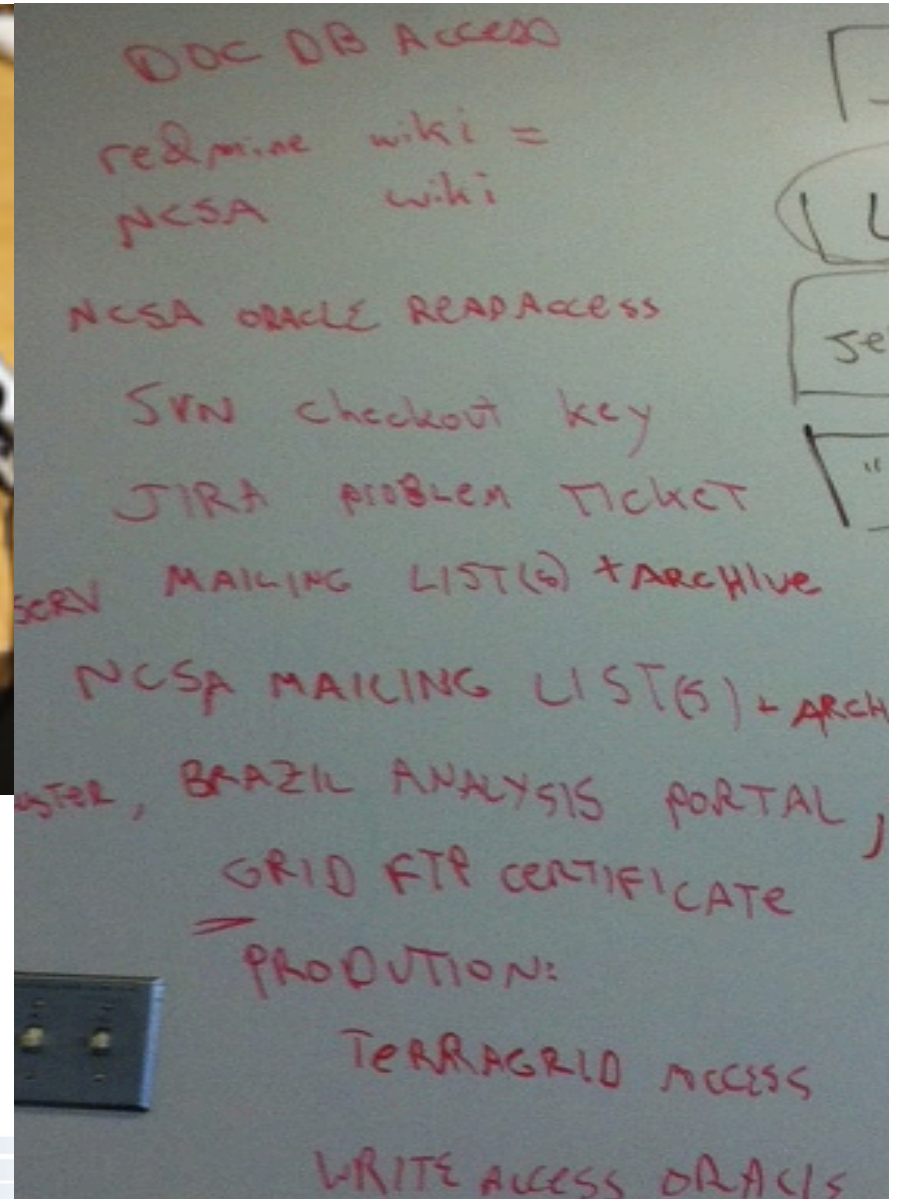




## But small and medium science is suffering



- Data deluge
- Ad-hoc solutions
- Inadequate software, hardware & IT staff



# Research Data Management as a Service

Accelerate discovery and innovation worldwide by providing research data management as a service



Leverage the cloud to

- provide millions of researchers with unprecedented access to powerful tools;
- enable a massive shortening of cycle times in time-consuming research processes; and
- reduce research IT costs dramatically via economies of scale

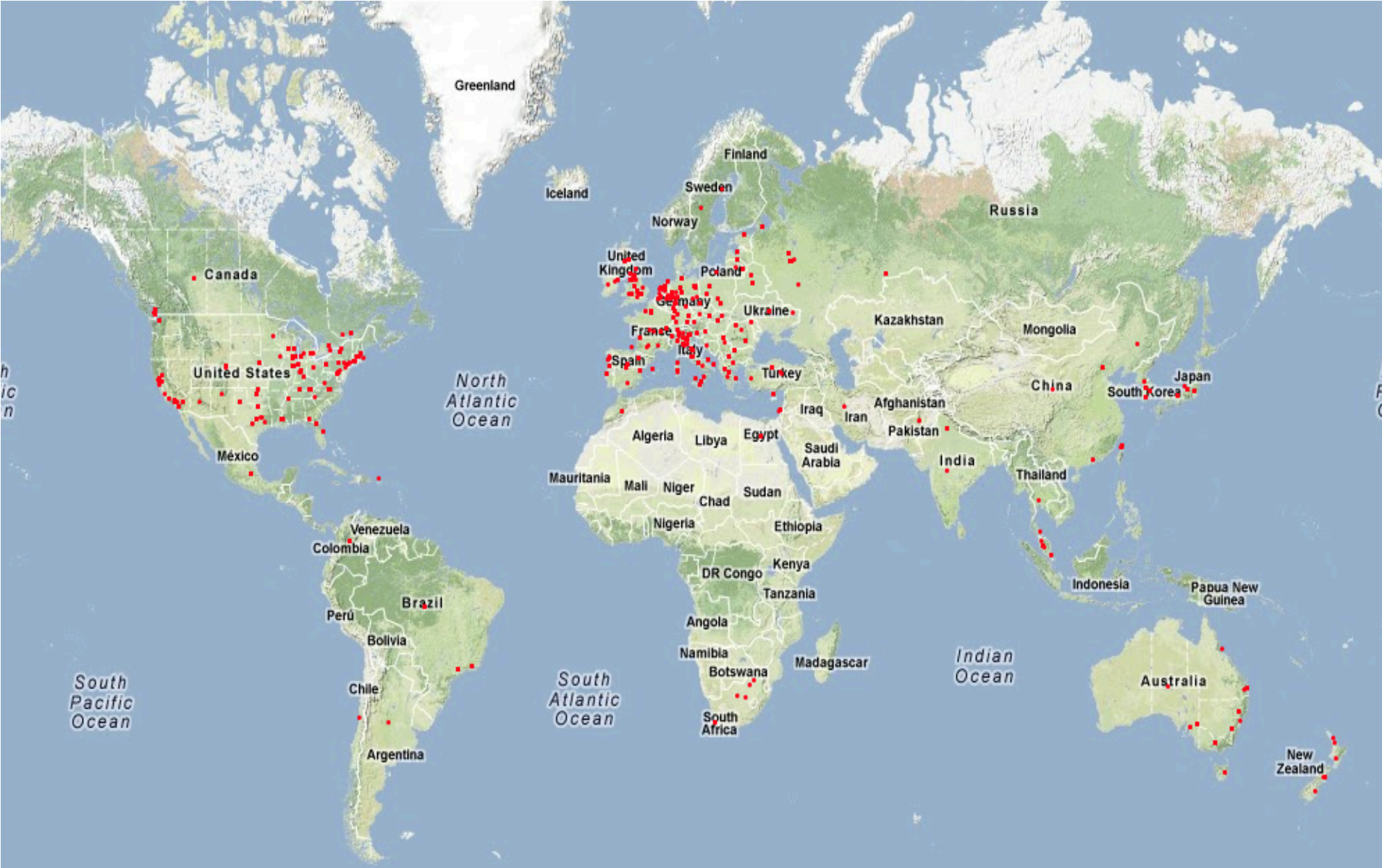


# STARBUCKS COFFEE



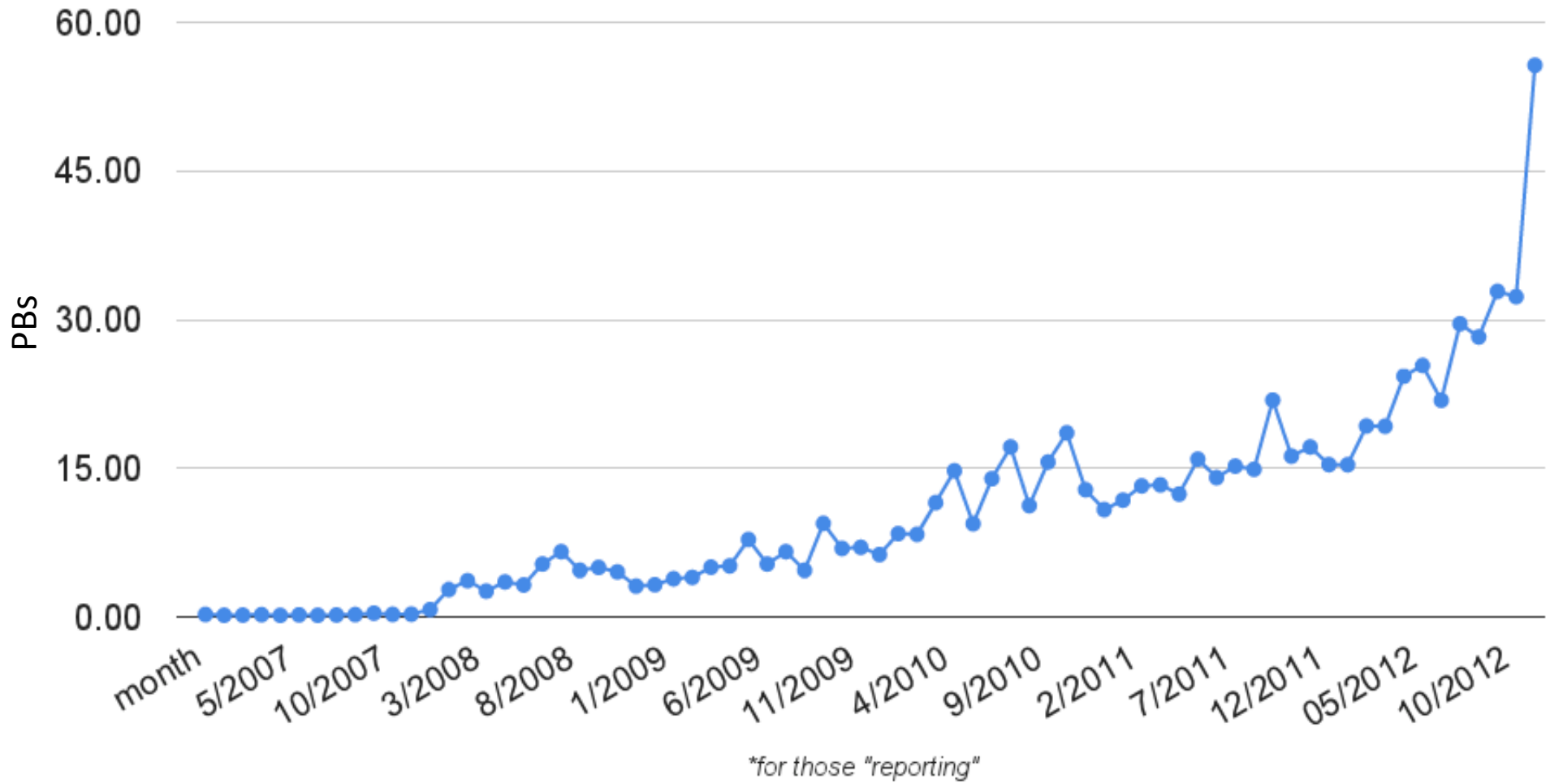


# GridFTP servers around the world



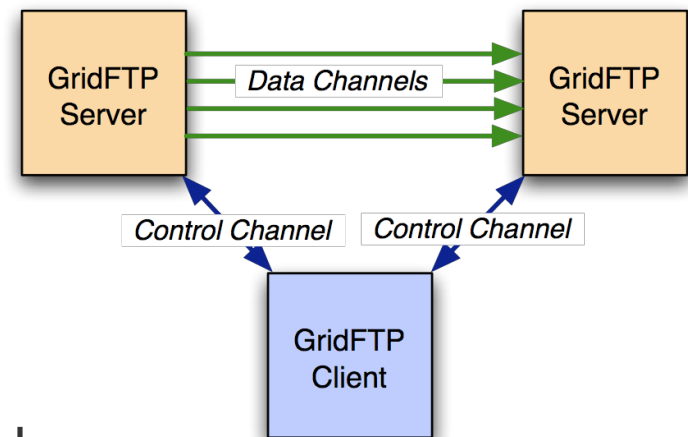
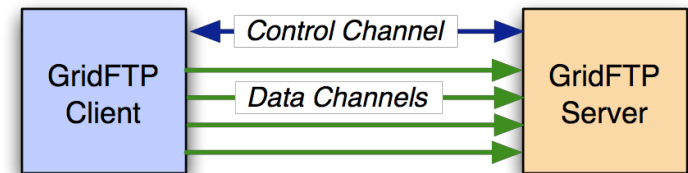
# GridFTP usage

## Monthly Totals\* of PBs Transferred Via GridFTP



# GridFTP

- Extension of the standard FTP
- Two channel protocol like FTP
- Control Channel
  - Command/Response
  - Used to establish data channels
  - Basic file system operations
    - eg. mkdir, delete etc
- Data channel
  - Pathway over which *file* is transferred
  - Many different underlying protocols can be used
    - MODE command determines the protocol



# GridFTP Adoption

- GridFTP has been around for more than a decade now
- Until about a year or two ago, GridFTP was mostly used only by big science projects
  - LHC, ESG, LIGO etc
- Two key reasons
  - Security configuration was difficult both for end users and GridFTP server administrators
  - End users were not able to handoff the data movement task to some generic client and forget about it



Reliable, high-performance, secure file transfer.  
**Move files fast. No IT required.**

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Globus Online in a nutshell



**> GET STARTED**  
Sign up and get moving

**6,836,755,450 MB**  
TRANSFERRED



**Why Use Globus Online?**  
See how easy file transfer can be



**For HPC Resource Owners**  
Enable Globus Online for your users



**For Developers**  
Integrate with Globus Online

# What is Globus Online?

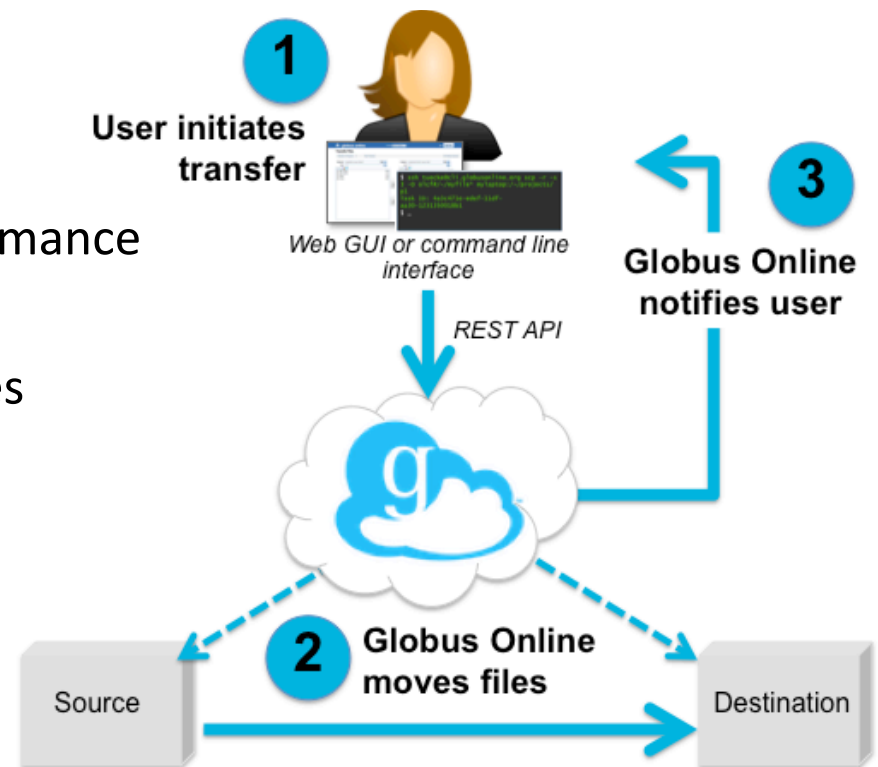
- Move, Sync, Share files

- Easy “fire-and-forget” transfers
- Share with any Globus user or group
- Automatic fault recovery & High performance
- Across multiple security domains
- Web, command line and REST interfaces

- Minimize IT costs

- Software as a Service (SaaS)
  - No client software installation
  - New features automatically available
- Consolidated support & troubleshooting
- Simple endpoint installation with Globus Connect and GridFTP

- Recommended by XSEDE, Blue Water, NERSC, ALCF, ESnet, many Universities





LIVE DEMO

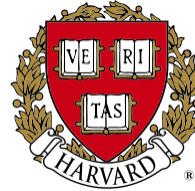


# Early adoption is encouraging

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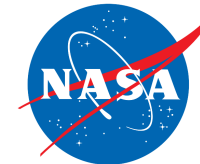
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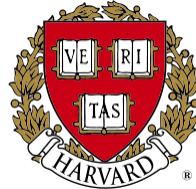


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- 7,500 registered users; ~100 daily
- >10PB moved; >500MM files
- 10x (or better) performance vs. scp
- 99.9% availability
- Entirely hosted on AWS

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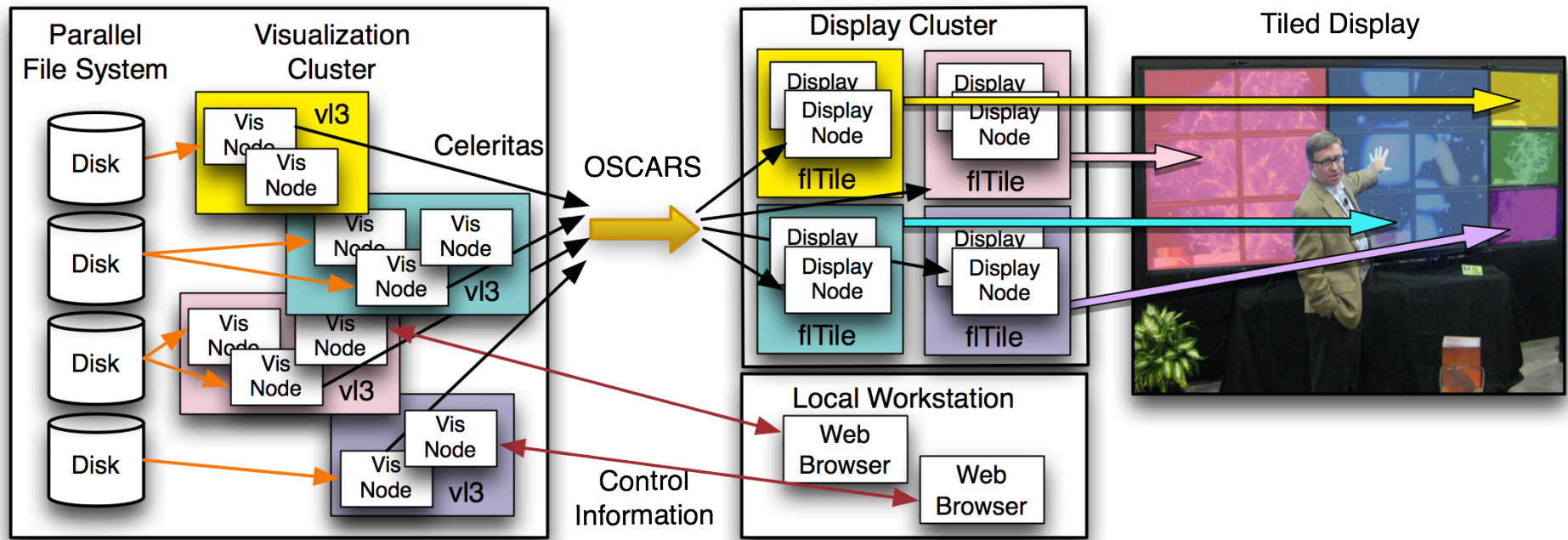
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# Resource Aware Protocols



# Interactive Remote Visualization of ENZO Cosmology



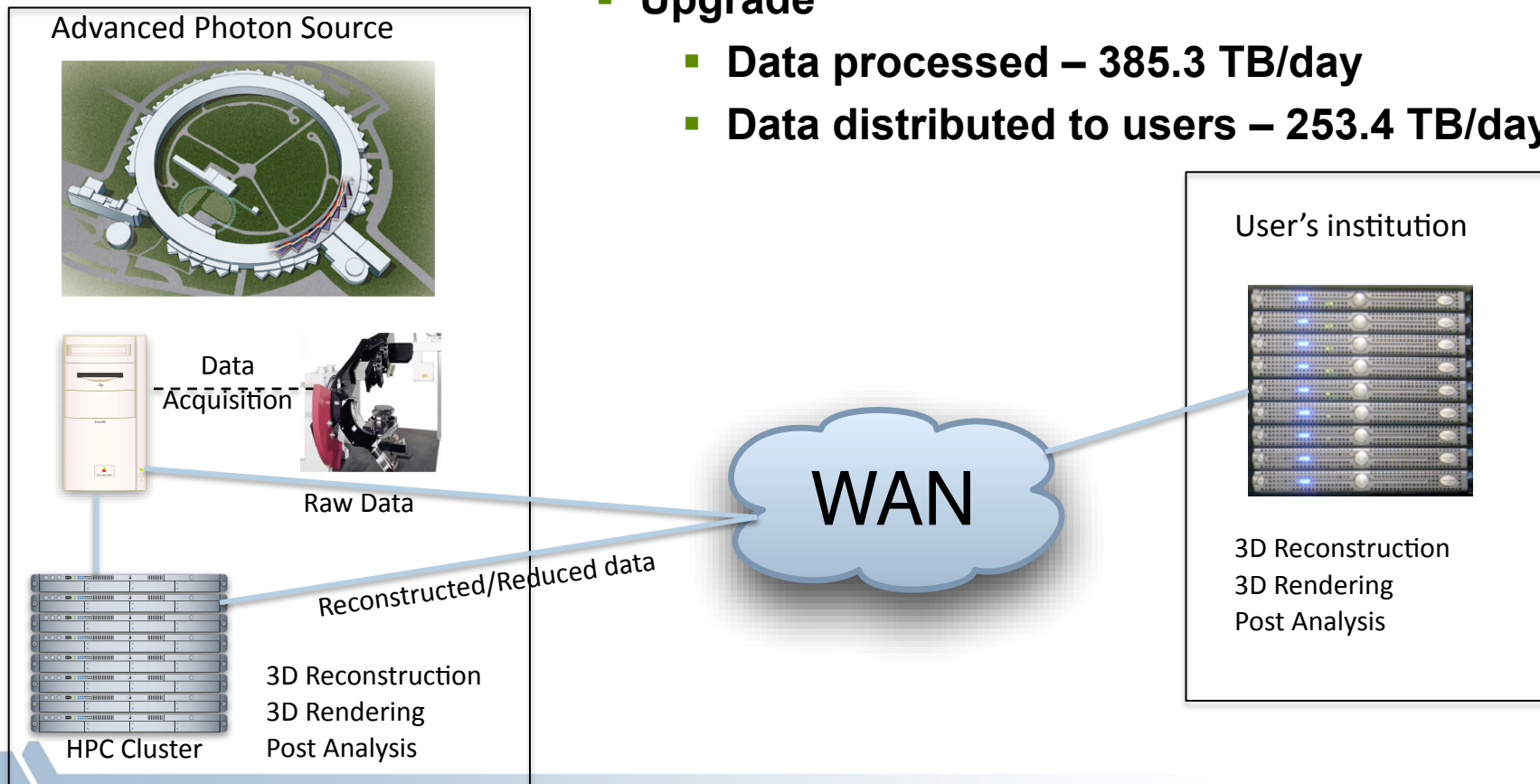
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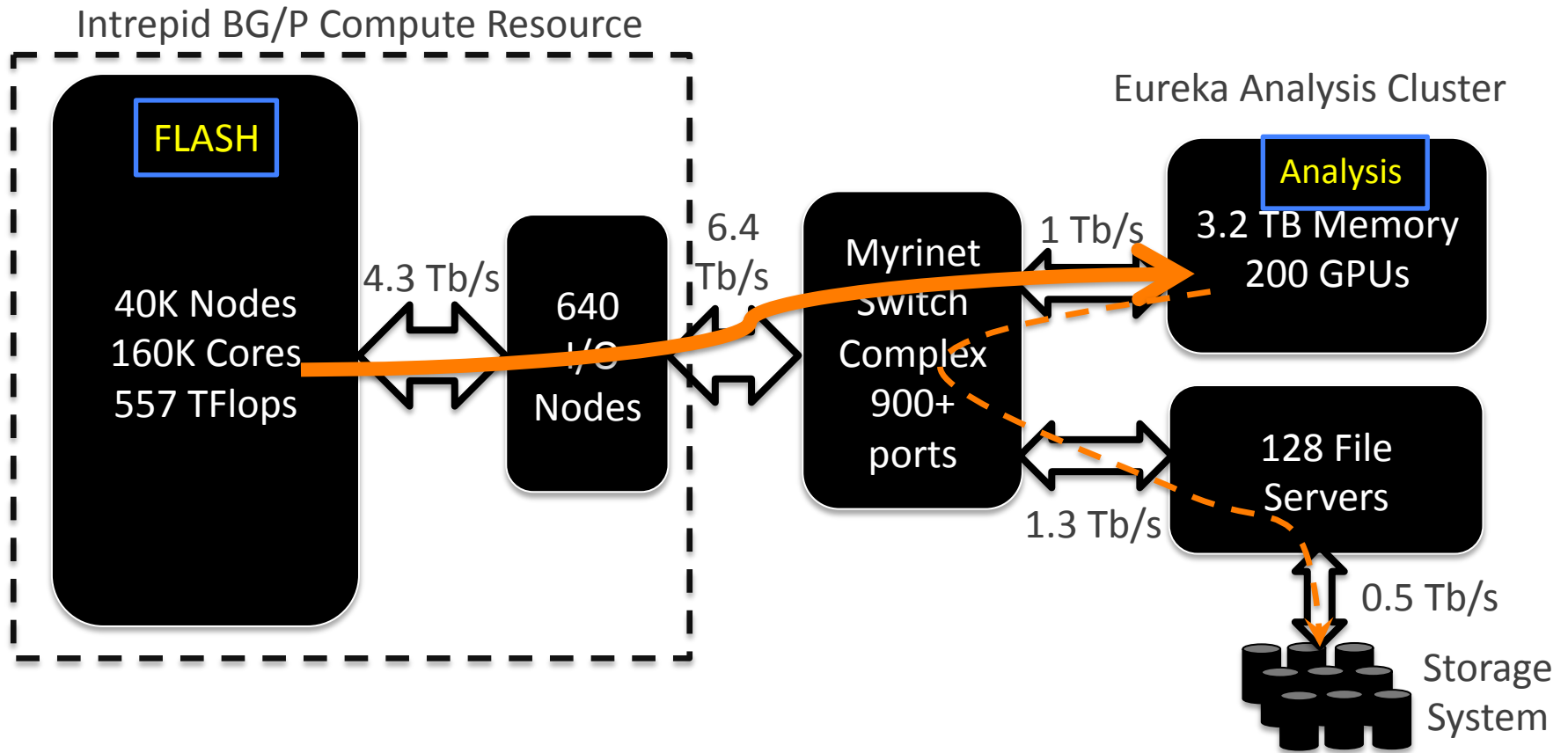


# Tomography at APS

- **Current**
  - Data processed – 5.6 TB/day
  - Data distributed to users – 3.3 TB/day
- **Upgrade**
  - Data processed – 385.3 TB/day
  - Data distributed to users – 253.4 TB/day



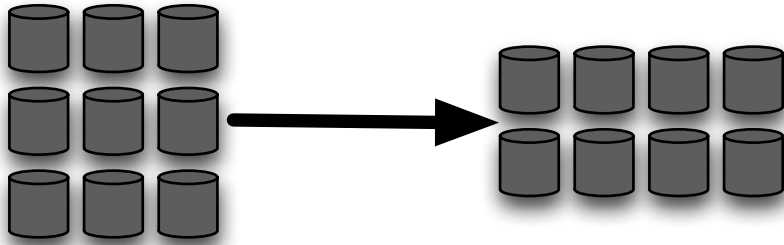
# Simulation-time Data Analysis and Visualization of FLASH Astrophysics Simulation



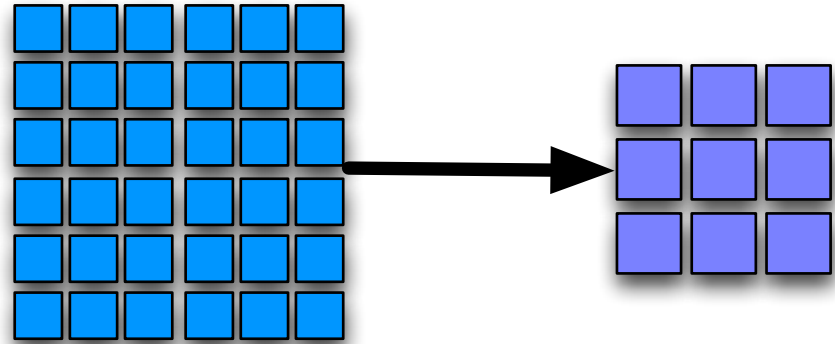
Simulation-time data analysis is critical to reduce the data written to storage and to generate faster insights



# Data Movement Trends

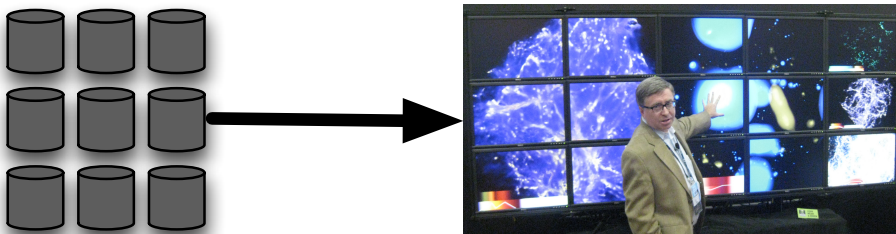


Disk-to-Disk Transfers

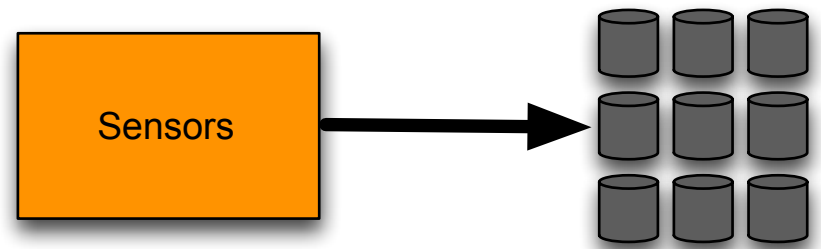


Memory-to-Memory Transfers

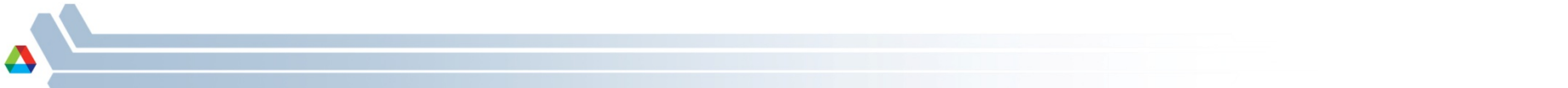
## Parallel M-to-N Data Flows



Disk-to-Memory Transfers



Memory-to-Disk Transfers



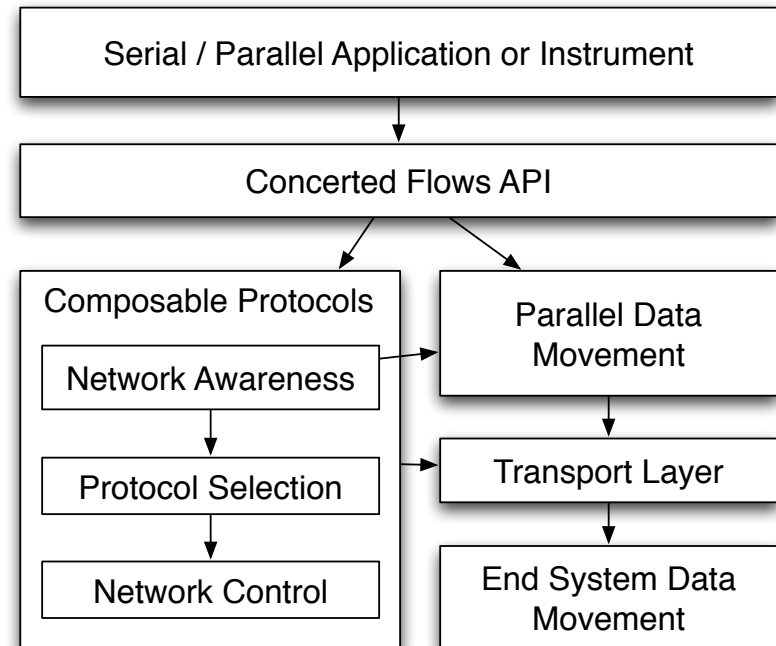
# Network Characteristics

- Network Type
  - Shared or dedicated
  - Circuit or packet or hybrid
- Network activity
  - Over-utilized or under-utilized
- Network Topology
  - Parallel paths
  - Bandwidth, latency, loss rate
- LAN (within a leadership facility), MAN or WAN
- Network is no longer a blackbox
  - Software Defined Networking
  - Topology and link state information available
  - Guaranteed bandwidth



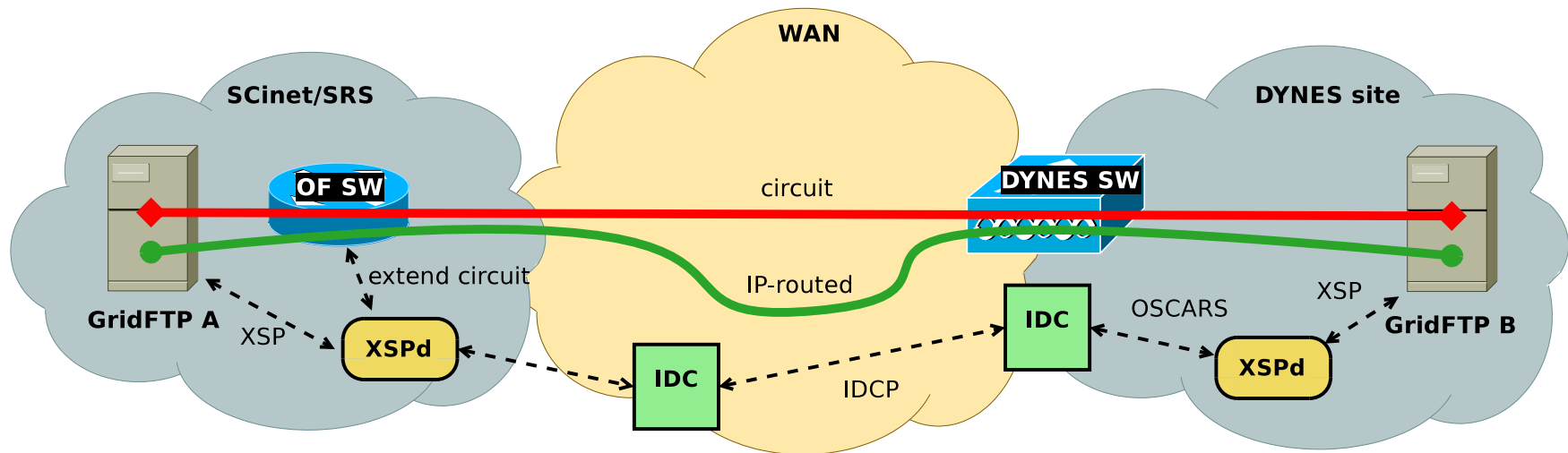
# Concerted Flows

- Develop new parallel protocols that are
- Capture the diverse flow characteristics and needs
- Leverages feedback from network agents and exploits topology to design flow and congestion control for parallel data movement
- Build a knowledge base capturing the data transfer patterns of several DOE applications





# Exploiting multiple paths

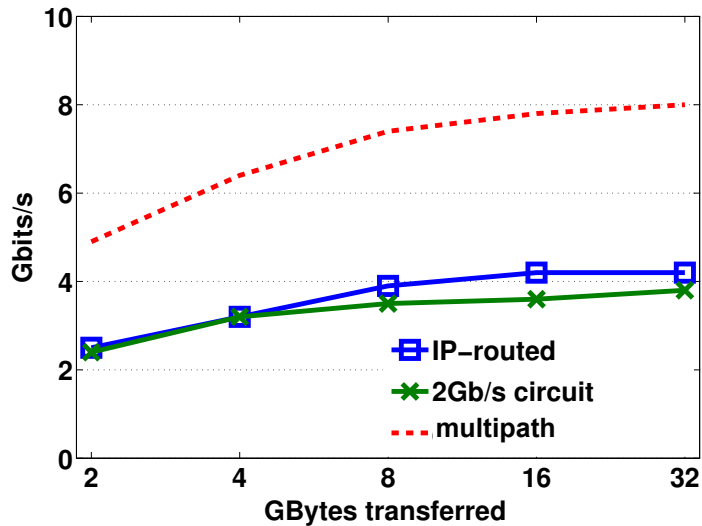


- Take advantage of the multiple interfaces in the multi-homed data transfer nodes
- Use circuit as well as production IP link
- Data will flow even while the circuit is being setup
- Once the circuit is setup, use both the paths to improve throughput

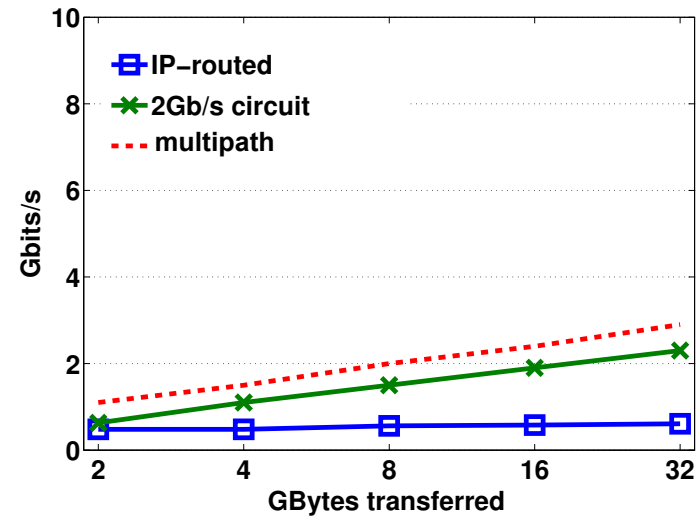


# Exploiting multiple paths

Transfer between NERSC and ANL



Transfer between Umich and Caltech



Default, commodity IP routes  
+ Dedicated circuits  
= Significant performance gains



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