



Cyberinfrastructure Investments and Opportunities

An update from the NSF Office of Advanced Cyberinfrastructure

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- OAC update and programs
- Looking into the Future
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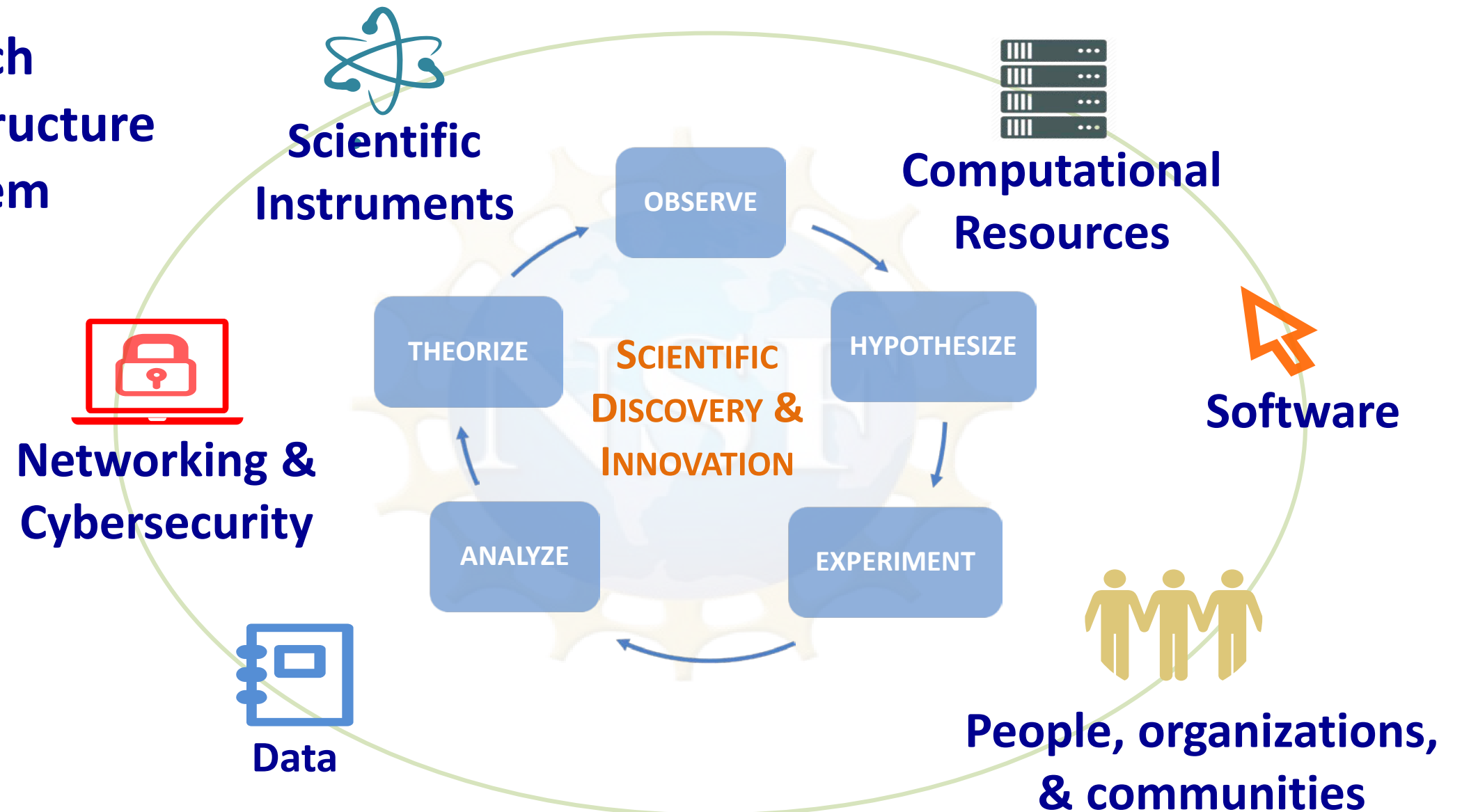


NSF embraces an expansive view of Cyberinfrastructure driven by *evolving research priorities and scientific process*

Research Cyberinfrastructure Ecosystem

Drivers

- Ubiquity & scale of computational & data-intensive science.
- Ubiquity of sensors, cloud, technologies, social networks...
- Major initiatives and facilities...



NSF “Big Ideas” – all have CI implications

RESEARCH IDEAS

HARNESSING THE DATA REVOLUTION

Harnessing Data for 21st Century Science and Engineering

Work at the Human-Technology Frontier: Shaping the Future

Windows on the Universe: The Era of Multi-messenger Astrophysics

The Quantum Leap: Leading the Next Quantum Revolution

Navigating the New Arctic

Understanding the Rules of Life: Predicting Phenotype

PROCESS IDEAS

Mid-scale Research Infrastructure

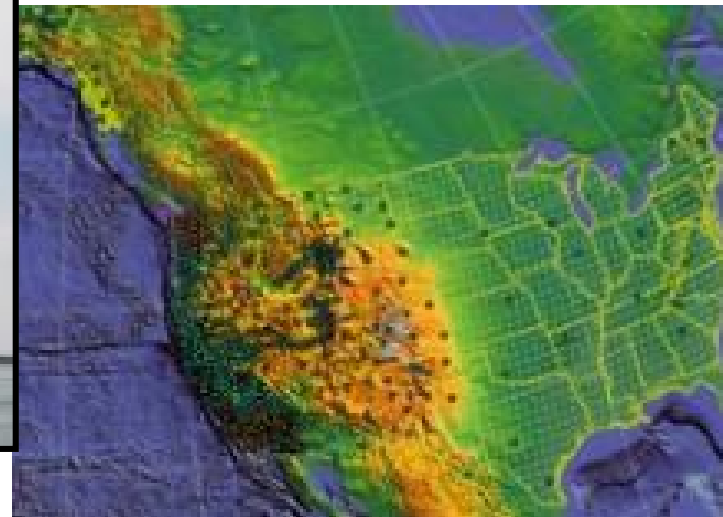
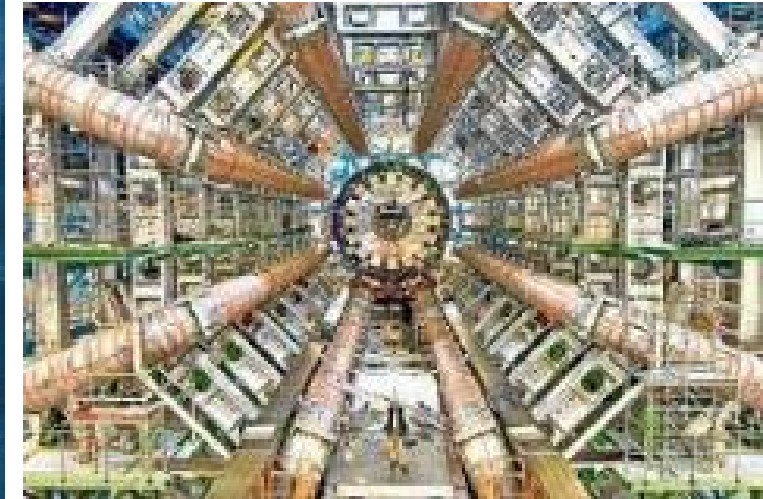
NSF 2050: Seeding Innovation

Growing Convergent Research at NSF

NSF-INCLUDES: Enhancing Science and Engineering through Diversity



NSF Facilities are Increasingly CI Driven ... and dependent on Shared CI

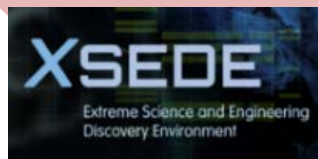
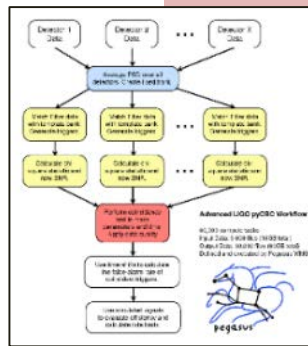


LIGO is enabled by NSF investments in instrumentation, computational science, cyberinfrastructure, and expert services



- ✓ **Researcher access to sustained Advanced Computing resources**
 - New intensive simulations of relativity and magnetohydrodynamics. Massive, parallel event searches and validation (100,000 models).
 - Advanced computing resources and services: Open Science Grid (OSG); Blue Waters (UIUC); Comet (SDSC), Stampede (TACC), XSEDE allocations, AWS....
- ✓ **Interoperable Networking, Data Transfer, and Workflow Systems**
 - Pegasus, HTCondor, Globus workflow and data transfer management
 - NSF funded 100 Gbps upgrades enabled huge throughput gains.
- ✓ **Software Infrastructure**
 - Computational science advances embodied in Software Infrastructure, for simulations, visualizations, workflows and data flows

einstein toolkit



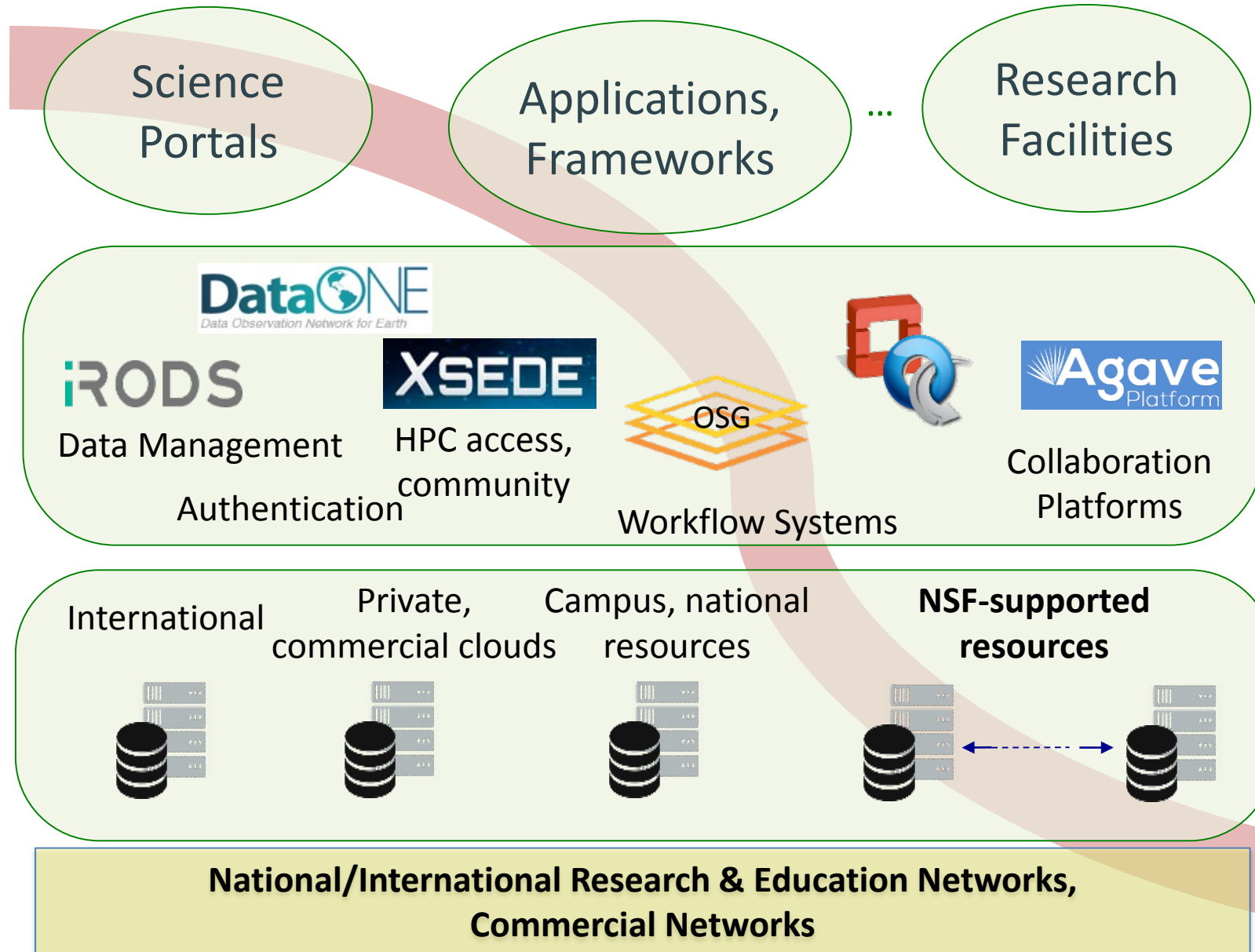
Courtesy SXS.

NSF programs: Data Building Blocks (DIBBs), Software Infrastructure (SI2), Campus Cyberinfrastructure Network Infrastructure and Engineering (CC*NIE, DNI), and others. OSG and Pegasus are also supported by the US. DOE.



Emerging discovery pathways at scale: Architecture view

Measurement



**Discipline-specific
Environments**

**Integrative Services
("Middleware")**

**"Foundational"
CI Resources**

Discovery



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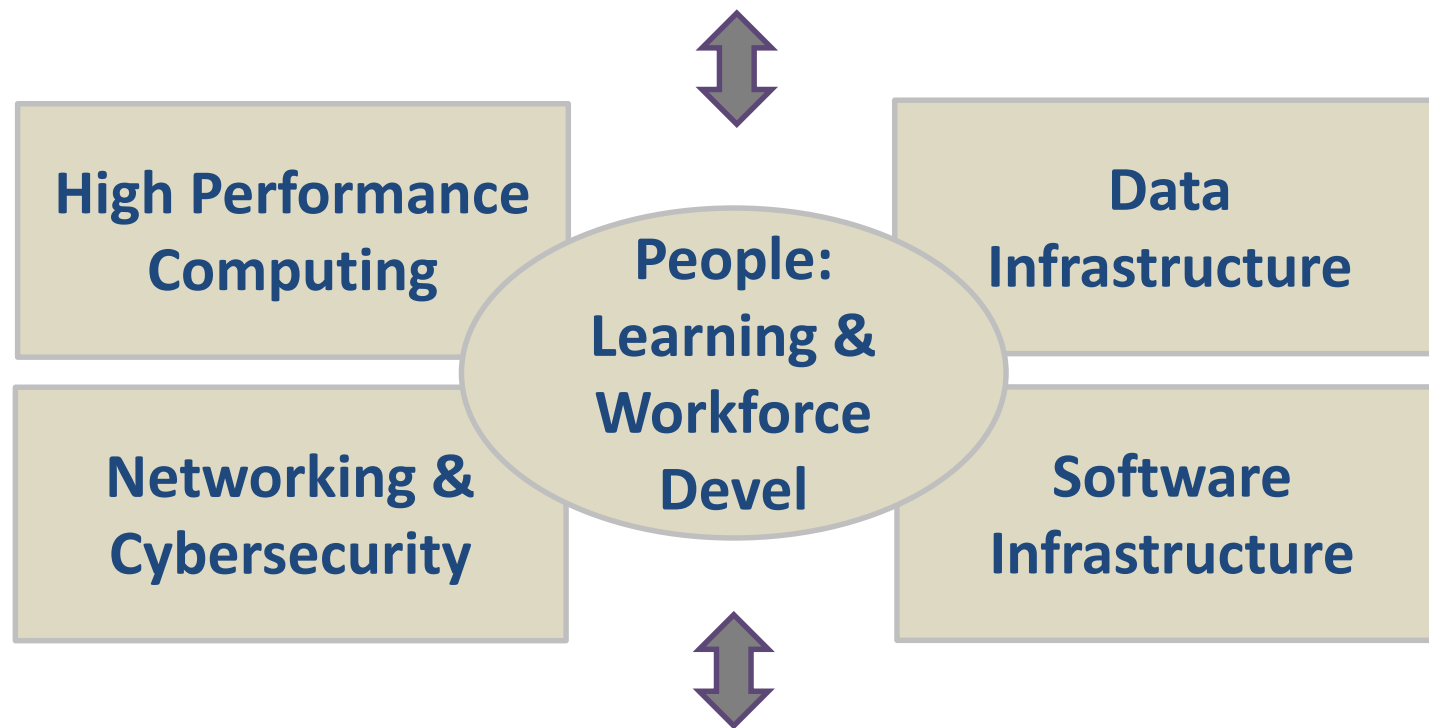
CISE Office of Advanced Cyberinfrastructure (OAC)

Mission: Accelerate discovery and innovation across all disciplines through advanced CI

Science Drivers

Domain science trends, agency priority areas, major facilities...

Investment areas



Leadership, Partnership

NSF Directorates, NSF and Federal Initiatives, Industry, International

Director: Irene Qualters
Deputy: Amy Friedlander
Science Advisor: Bill Miller
Coop Agreements: Al Suarez

High Performance Computing
Ed Walker, Bob Chaddock, Rudi Eigenmann

Data Infrastructure
Amy Walton, Bob Chaddock

Networking/Security
Anita Nikolich, Kevin Thompson

Software Infrastructure
Vipin Chaudhary, Rajiv Ramnath

Learning & Workforce Development
Sushil Prasad

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ACI Realignment → OAC

- 2013: *Office* of Cyberinfrastructure (OCI in OD) → *Division* of Advance Cyber Infrastructure (ACI in CISE).
- 2016 Review, including request for input from the community (DCL)
- Findings:
 - Well managed in CISE; budget has tracked CISE's
 - Leadership: visibility critical (external, internal)
- Outcomes:
 - Remain in CISE; renamed *Office* of Advanced Cyberinfrastructure (OAC), emphasizing its service to all S&E
 - Office Director participates in senior leadership meetings (SMaRT)
 - National searches for leadership (as for ADs)

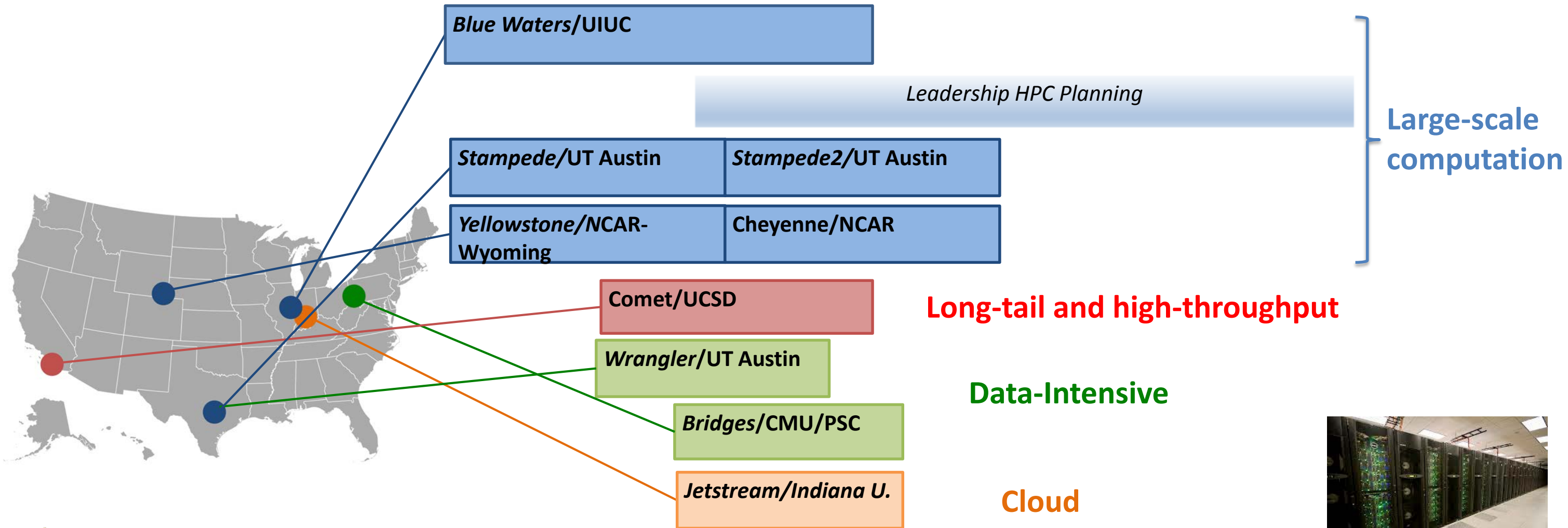


High Performance Computing

NSF-supported National Computing Resources

Complements Larger Aggregate Investments from Universities and other Agencies

2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 2022 2023 2024 2025 2026 ...



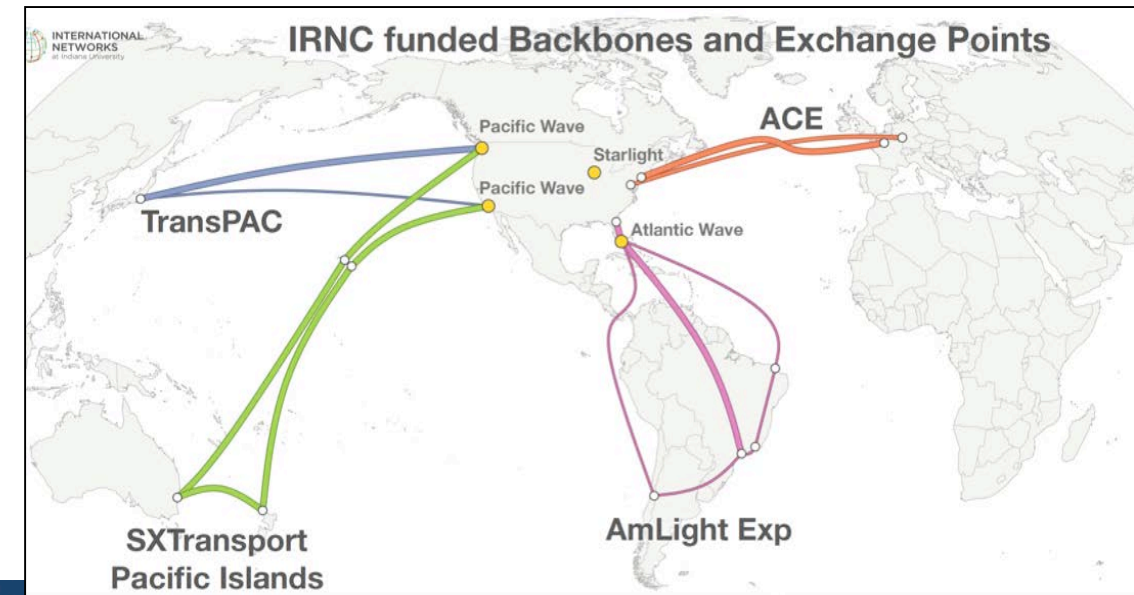
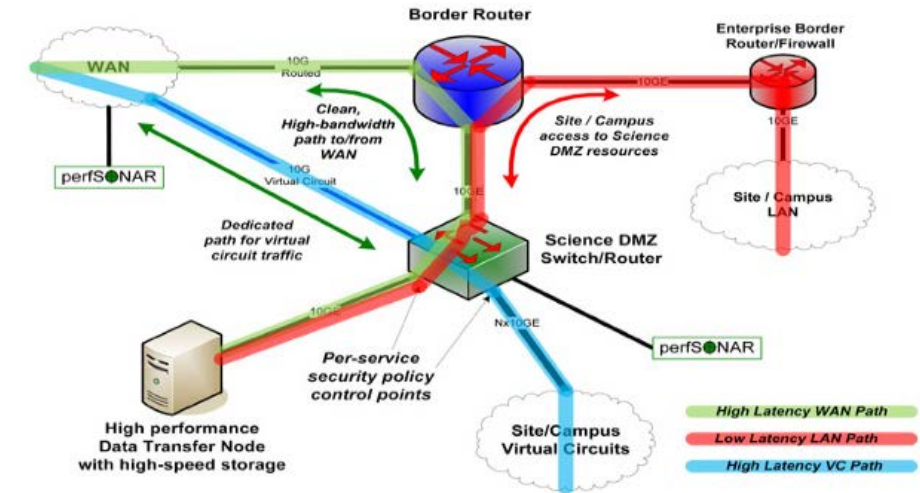
CISE/OAC Networking Programs

CC*



- **Fundamental layer** that enables scientific discovery at the institutional, regional and global collaborative levels.
- **Campus Cyberinfrastructure (CC*)**. Upgrading and accelerating campus networking (10/100Gbps). Re-designing campus border to Science DMZs. Innovation, + much more.
- **International R&E Network Connections (IRNC)**. Link U.S. research with peer networks in other world regions. Supports all R&E US data flows (not just NSF-funded).
 - Stimulates deployment and operational understanding of emerging network technology, best practices, 100Gbps connections.

Science DMZ



OAC Cybersecurity

- **Cybersecurity Center of Excellence (CCoE)** – formerly Center for Trustworthy Scientific CI, www.trustedci.org.
 - Site reviews, code reviews, architecture reviews. Example engagements: Gemini, US Antarctic Program, LSST, OOI, LIGO, DKIST, NEON, Pegasus, PerfSonar, ...
 - Open Science Cyber Risk Profile – asset/impact oriented approach for open science (DoE, NIH, NSF). Joint effort of CCoE & ESN
- **Cybersecurity Innovation for Cyberinfrastructure (CICI)**. Topics: Secure and Resilient Architecture, Secure Data Provenance, Regional Cybersecurity
- **Secure and Trustworthy Cyberspace (SaTC)**. – Cross-directorate program. OAC funds later stage/applied security projects that can secure scientific CI. Several “Transition to Practice” projects co-funded by Dept. of Homeland Security.
- **Annual Large Facilities Cybersecurity Summit**. ~120 attendees from NSF-funded science facilities. Next Summit: August 2017.



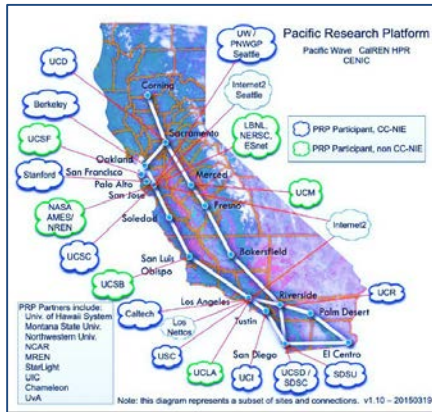
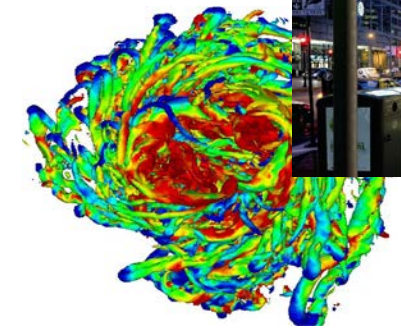
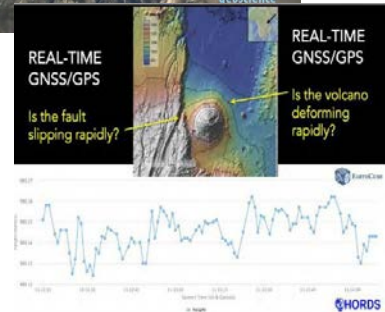
Example: Bro Intrusion
Prevention/Detection
software



OAC Data Infrastructure: Accelerating Science, Building Community

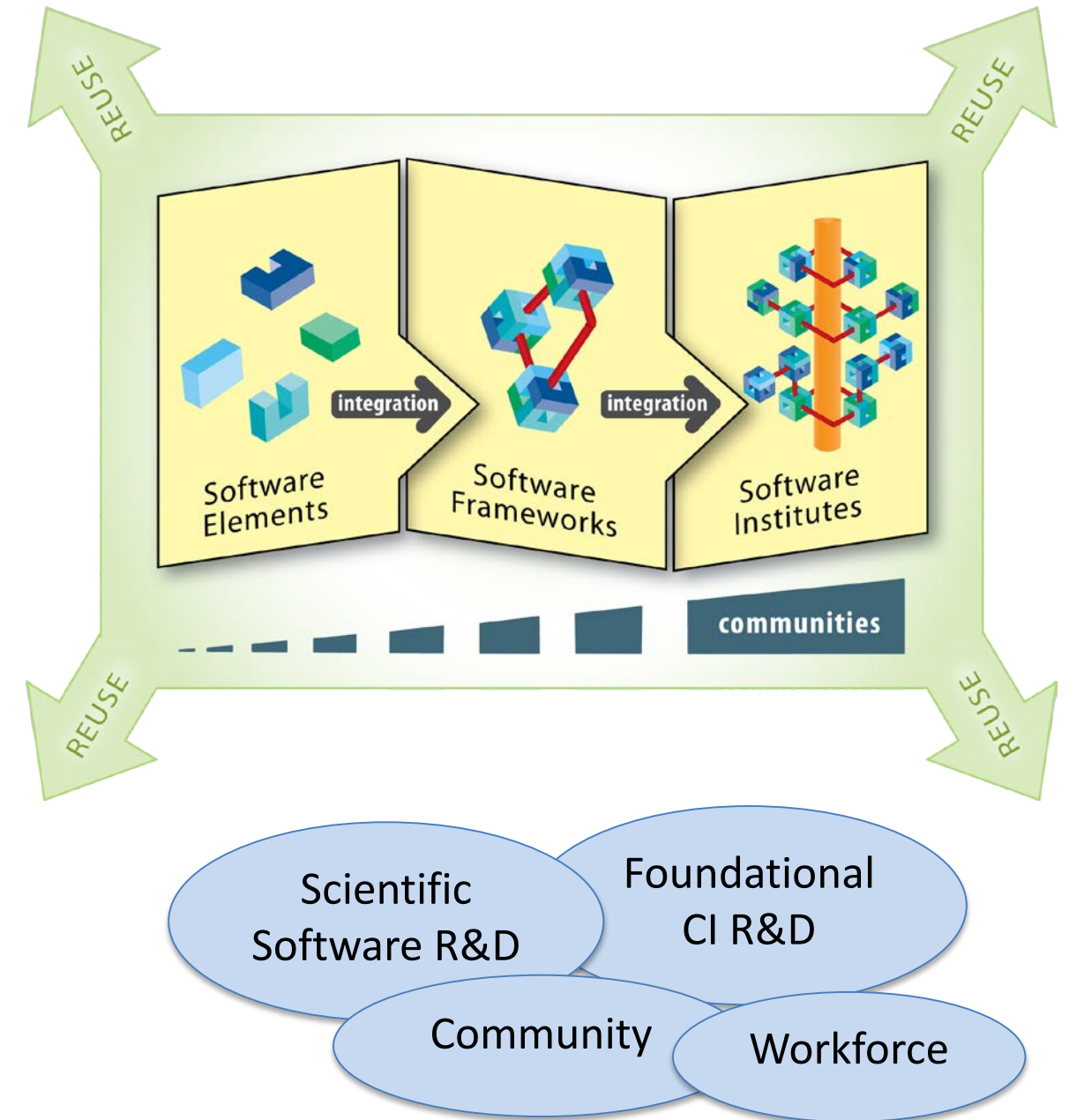
Data Infrastructure

- **Data Building Blocks (DIBBs).** Funds CI/discipline collaborations, cross-disciplinary infrastructure, built on recognized capabilities, tangible products.
 - First PI meeting, Jan 2017 on Results, Challenges, Future Directions, and Gaps to inform future investments.
- **CC* collaboration.** Example topics: multi-institution, cloud resources, sharing mechanisms.
- **EarthCube.** Collaboration with NSF GEO. Topics: Building new communities, innovative interoperable solutions that link and integrate resources, new capabilities for data capture, discovery, access, processing and analysis.
- **Innovations at the Nexus of Food, Energy and Water Systems (INFEWS).** NSF cross-cutting activity.



OAC Software Investments

- **OAC Goal:** Catalyze and support unique, innovative software-intensive science ecosystems to advance research
- **Flagship - Software Infrastructure for Sustained Innovation (SI2).** *Elements* (\$500K/3 yrs), *Frameworks* (\$1M/yr 3-5 yrs), *Institutes* (\$3-\$5m/yr 5-10 yrs).
- **Software “pipeline”:**
 - R&D programs (SPX, CDS&E, DMREF, CRISP, Venture, ...)
 - → Development and deployment (SI2)
 - → Outcomes: Sustainability, open source community, institutional support, education, SAAS, IP licensing, ...





Communities of Concern



CI Contributors, Cyber-scientists

Develop new CI



CI Professionals

Deploy & support CI



CI Users

Exploit CI

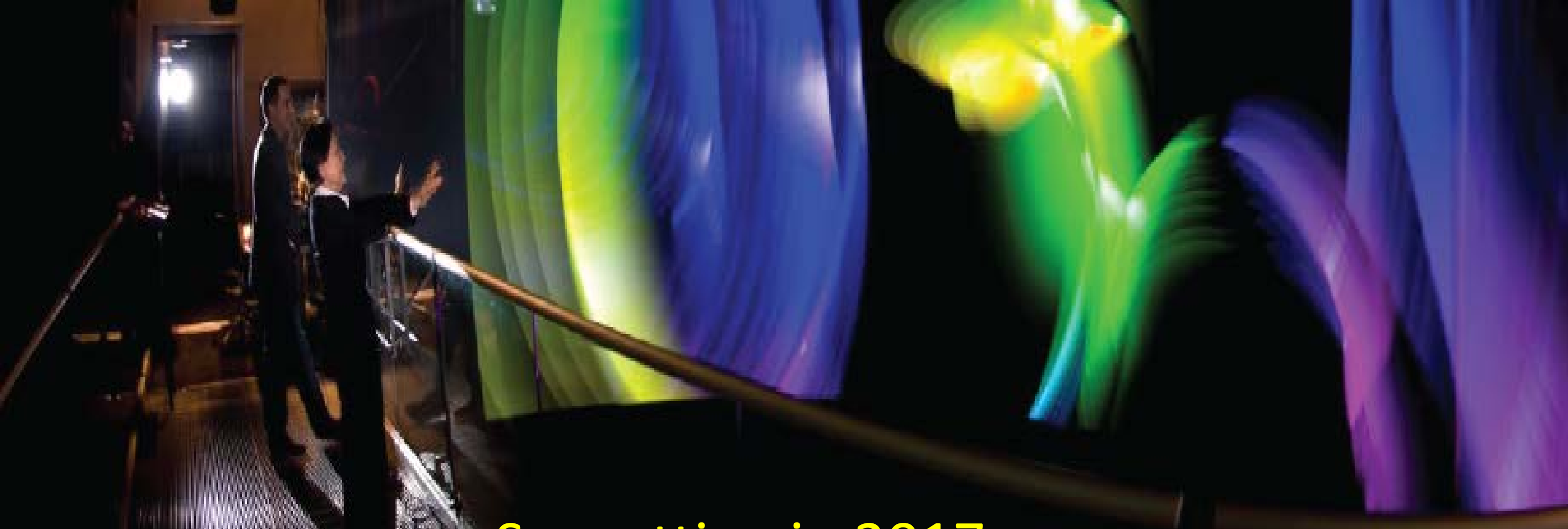
New! CyberTraining - *Training-based Workforce Development for Advanced Cyberinfrastructure* (NSF 17-507)

- ***Informal, scalable*** training models and pilot activities - on topics in advanced CI, and computational and data-enabled science & engineering.
- OAC leads, with MPS, ENG, GEO, EHR/DGE, and CISE/CCF.
- \$300K-500K over 1-3 years.
- **3 Tracks:** **1:** CI Professionals. **2:** CI Contributors/Users in domain science and engineering. **3:** Undergraduate Computational & Data Science User Literacy.
- Excellent community response in the inaugural round.
- Next Deadline: ***October 2017***

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 - ❖ National Academies Study: Future HPC
 - ❖ NSF CI 2030 survey: Science Drivers for Future CI
 - ❖ National Strategic Computing Initiative: Exascale RFI





Sunsetting in 2017

February 2012

Cyberinfrastructure for 21st Century Science and Engineering
Vision and Strategic Plan



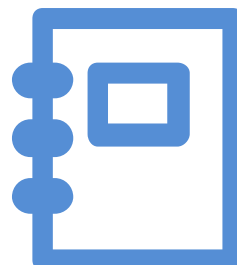
CIF21 fostered a rich NSF cyberinfrastructure ecosystem responsive to the *evolving discovery process*.



CI-Enabled
Instrumentation



Computing
Resources



Data
Infrastructure



Gateways, Hubs,
and Services



R&E Networks,
Security Layers



Coordination
& User support



Software and
Workflow Systems



Pilots,
Testbeds

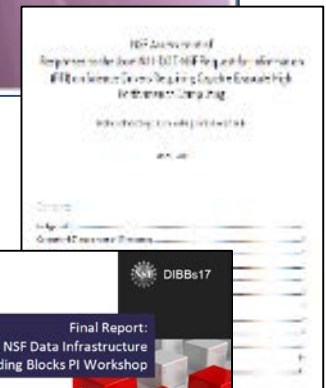


People, organizations,
and communities

*Many parts! ... Working together? ... The right architectures? ...
... Bottlenecks? ... New pressures? Gaps?*

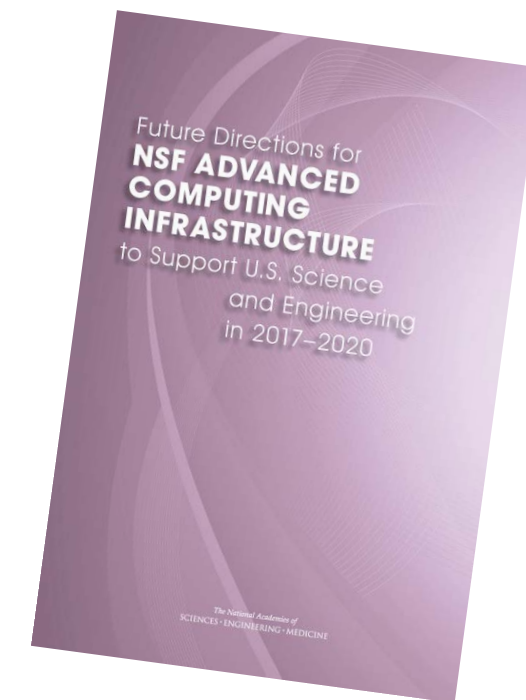
Community input is informing NSF's strategic planning refresh for advanced CI

- ✓ National Academies report on NSF Advanced Computing (2016):
 - [Future Directions of NSF Advanced Computational Infrastructure to Support US Science in 2017 – 2022](#)
- ✓ NSF RFI on Future Needs for Advanced Cyberinfrastructure to Support Science and Engineering Research ([NSF CI 2030](#)), (2017)
- ✓ NSF and Joint agency assessments of the NSCI Exascale RFI (2015):
 - [NSF Assessment of Responses to the Request for Information \(RFI\) on Science Drivers Requiring Capable Exascale High Performance Computing](#) and
 - [Joint Agency Assessment of the Responses to the RFI on Science Drivers Requiring Capable Exascale High Performance Computing](#)
- ✓ PI and Disciplinary Workshops, e.g.:
 - [Data Building Blocks \(DIBBs\) 2017 PI Workshop Final Report](#),
 - [Software Infrastructure 2017 PI Workshop](#)
 - *2017 NSF Cyberinfrastructure for Facilities Workshop, Sept 6-7, 2017*
- ✓ Input from other NSF Advisory Committees and other bodies.



Community Analysis of Future HPC

- 2016 National Academies Study, *Future Directions for NSF Advanced Computing Infrastructure to Support U.S. Science and Engineering in 2017-2020*
- Charge: “...[E]xamine anticipated priorities and trade-offs for advanced computing for NSF-sponsored research”
- Seven major recommendations across maintaining leadership, innovation, science needs, balance of capabilities (see backup slide).
- NSF formulating its response and actions.



Report: www.nap.edu/catalog/21886

NSF Request for Information on Future Needs for Advanced Cyberinfrastructure to Support Science and Engineering Research

Dear Colleague Letter: www.nsf.gov/pubs/2017/nsf17031/nsf17031.jsp, Jan 5 - April 5, 2017

“NSF seeks input on scientific challenges, associated CI needs, and bold ideas to advance research frontiers over the next decade and beyond.”

Question 1: Research Challenge(s) *[Including institutional challenges...]*

Describe current or emerging science or engineering research challenge(s), providing context in terms of recent research and standing questions in the field.

Question 2: Cyberinfrastructure Needed to Address the Challenge(s).

Describe any limitations or absence of existing CI or specific advancements that must be addressed to accomplish the identified research challenge(s).

Question 3: Any other aspects or issues that NSF should consider.



First Look at Responses: Who?

*Analysis is underway
with NSF Advisory
Committee for CI*

136 Submissions $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 50\% \text{ Single Author} \\ 50\% \text{ Groups (2-15 Authors)} \end{array} \right\}$ 366 Named Authors
(339 Unique)
(some were busy bees)

Geographic spread

- 39 States
- 9 Foreign contributors from 6 countries

Author Home Institution

Academic Institution

75%

Research Institute (non-univ)

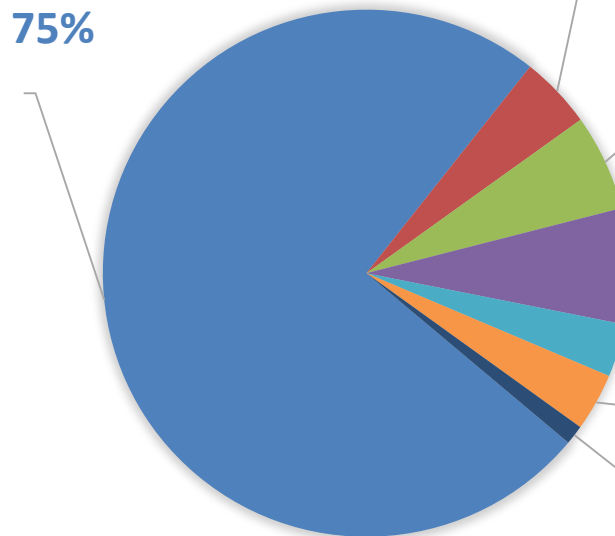
NSF Facility

Non-profit or Society

Other Agency

Agency Lab/Inst

Industry



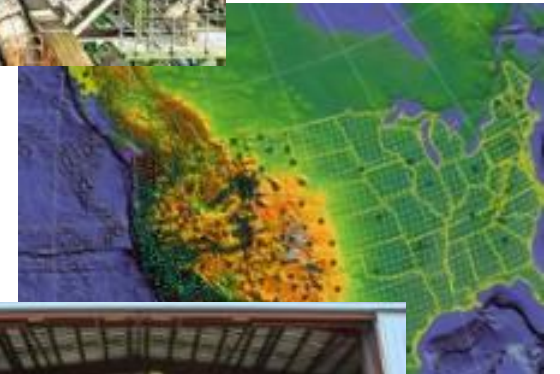
NSF Facilities are well Represented

NSF Facility Contributors

- ARF/UNOLS
- Gemini
- LHC
- LIGO
- LSST
- NCAR
- NHERI
- NHMFL
- NOAO
- NRAO
- NSO
- RCRV

Mentioned

- DKIST
- Ice Cube
- IODP
- NEON
- OOI



ID#212 - Marine Crew of the R/V Atlantis & Marine Crew of the R/V Armstrong Shipboard Scientific Support Group (SSSG), WHOI

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NSF Workshops on Facility Cyberinfrastructure

- **Origin.** NSF Facility POs recognized a common challenge area, and OAC began internal discussions.
- **Overall Goal.** Enable direct and synergistic interactions between the NSF large facilities and the Cyberinfrastructure (CI) communities to jointly address needs of current and future facilities.
- **Desired outcomes:** Foster *collaborations and communities of practice*. Encourage *sharing of practices and solutions*. Inform *NSF program planning*.
- **First workshop** FY 2016 (December 2015). PI: Alex Szalay/JHU. Broad agenda, and emphasized data issues. Very successful. NSF Director gave a keynote.
- **Second workshop upcoming** September 6-7, 2017, Alexandria VA. Focus will be on facility CI designs and architectures – what is being done, internal “IT” vs. external CI resources being used, common issues, opportunities.



Thanks!

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NAS Report on Future NSF HPC Summary of Recommendations

Leadership

1. Grow comprehensive investments in advanced computing.
2. Support full range of science requirements for advanced computing.

Meeting Needs

3. Collect community requirements; develop roadmaps to inform decisions and set priorities.
4. Adopt approaches to consider investments in an integrated way with associated research.

On the Cutting Edge

5. *Software.* Support development and maintenance of expertise, scientific software, and software tools relevant to advanced computing resources.
6. *Next-generation capabilities.* Make modest in next-gen hardware, software technologies to explore new ideas for next-gen capabilities. Adoption of radical new technology takes time.

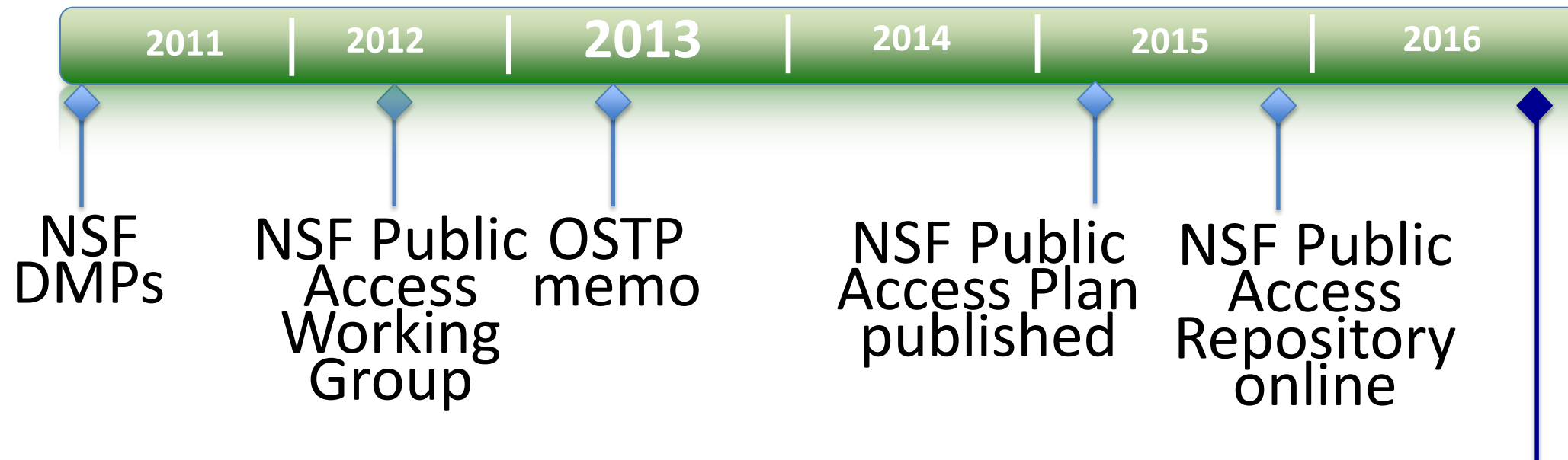
Sustainability

7. Manage advanced computing investments in a predictable and sustainable way.

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Public Access: recent USG activities (1/17)



US Government-wide (Jan. 2017)

- All subject Federal agencies have posted public access plans (compliance with 2013 OSTP memo)
- Published: “Principles for Promoting Access to Federal Government-Supported Scientific Data and Research Findings Through International Scientific Cooperation”
- New Open Science Working Group formed (NIH, NSF co-chairs)

