



# Programmable Information Highway (with no Traffic Jams)

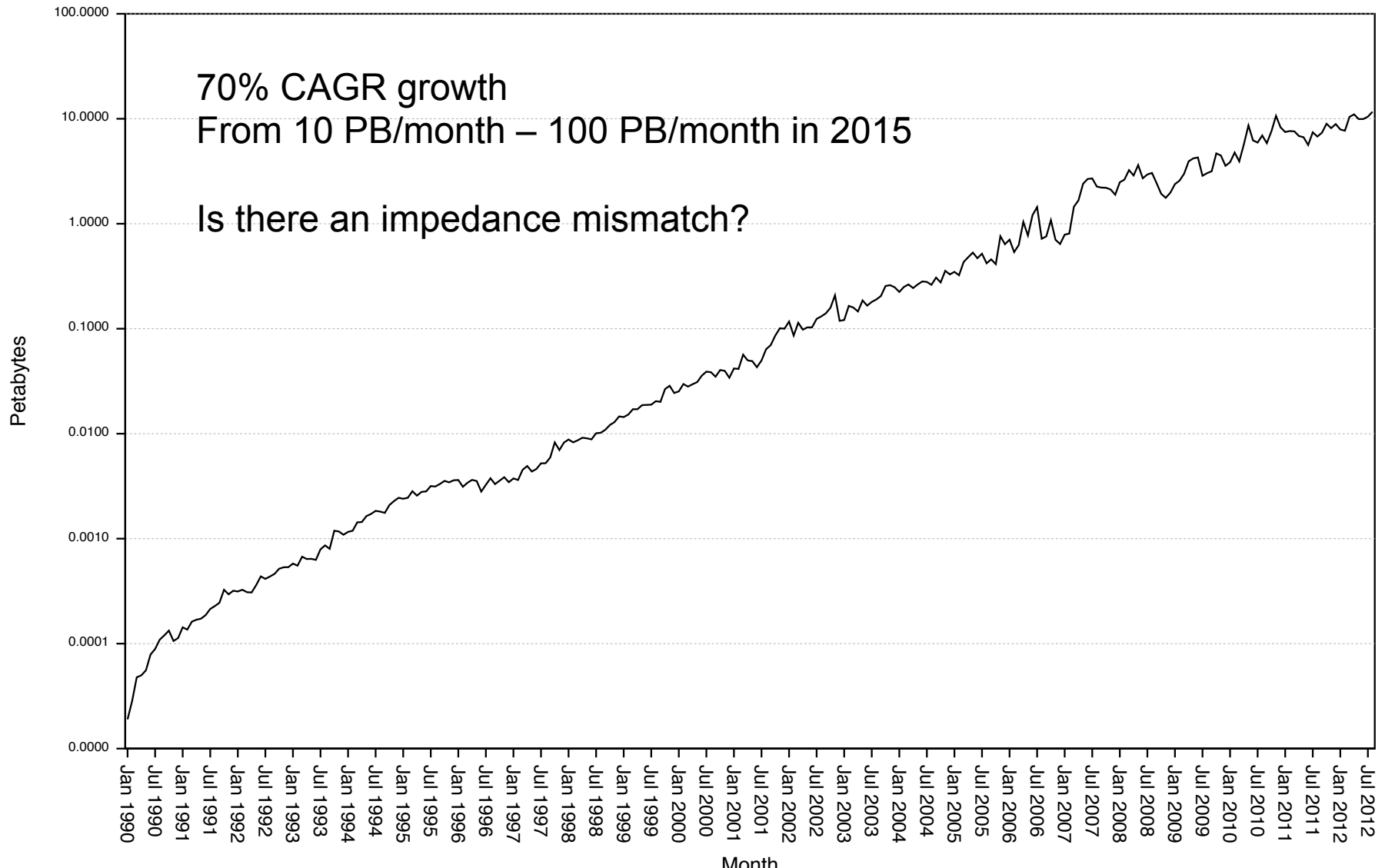
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# Exponential Growth



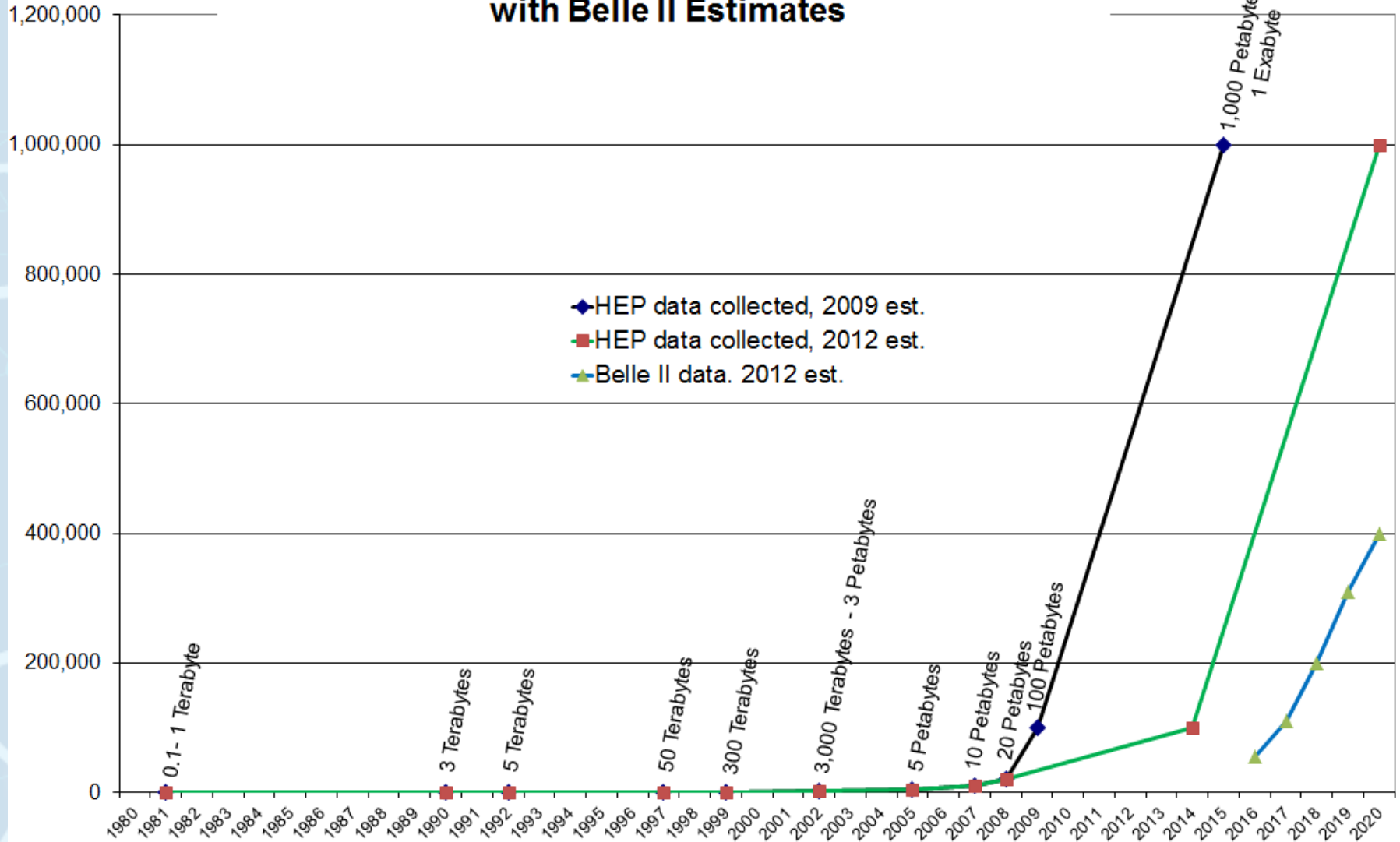
ESnet Accepted Traffic: Jan 1990 - Aug 2012 (Log Scale)



# HEP as a Prototype for Data-Intensive Science

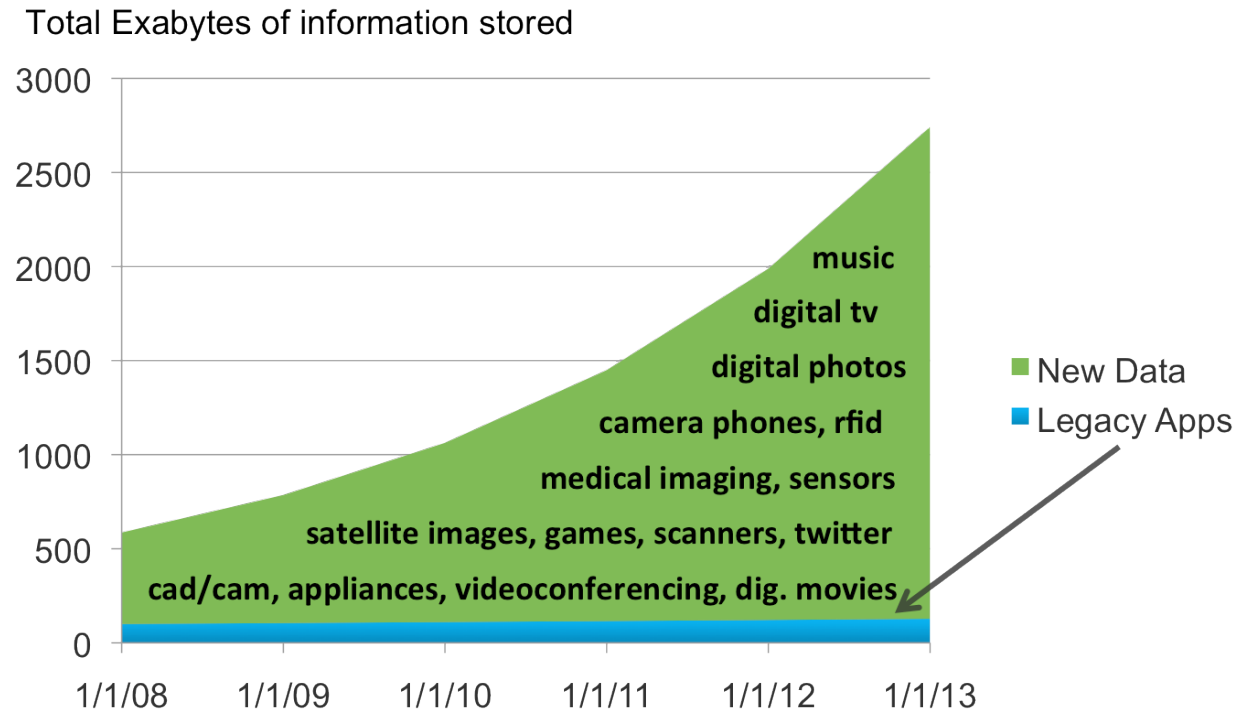


## HEP Data Volumes (Terabytes) for Leading Experiments with Belle II Estimates

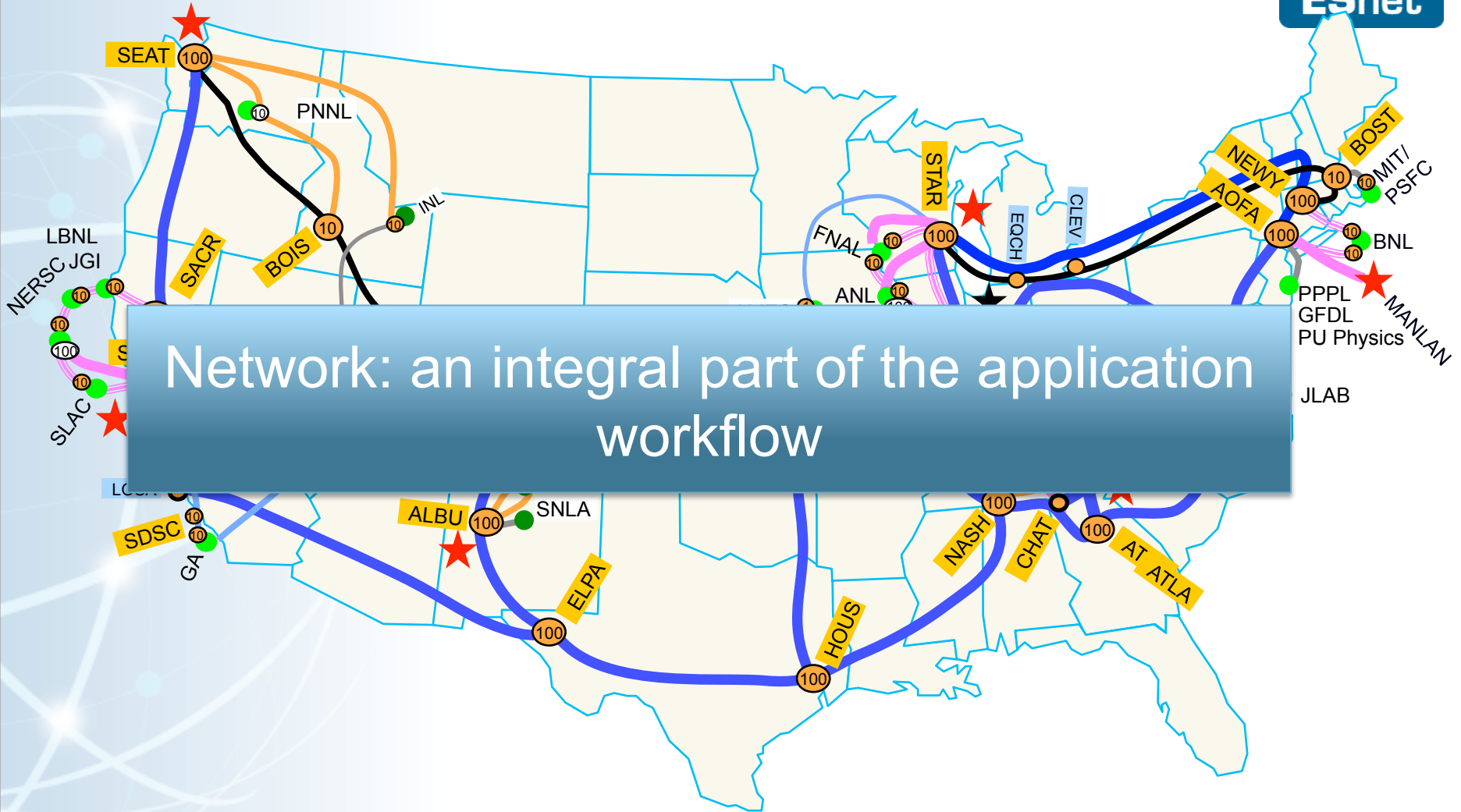


Data courtesy of Harvey Newman, Caltech, and Richard Mount, SLAC and Belle II CHEP 2012 presentation

# Moving data is going to be a way of life

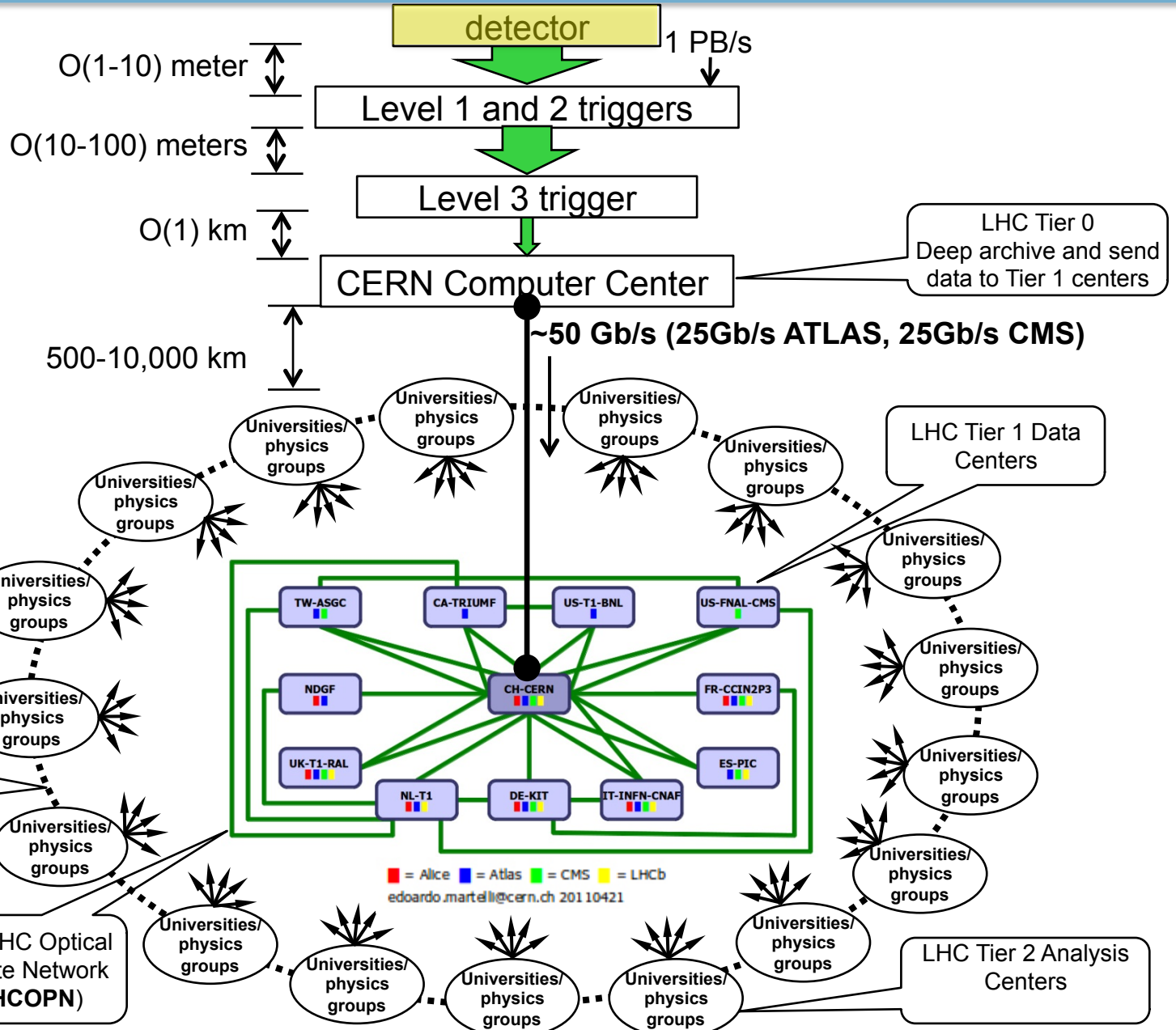


Source: The Information Explosion, 2009



# A Network-Centric View of LHC

CERN → T1	mile s	kms
France	350	565
Italy	570	920
UK	625	1000
Netherlands	625	1000
Germany	700	1185
Spain	850	1400
Nordic	1300	2100
USA – New York	3900	6300
USA - Chicago	4400	7100
Canada – BC	5200	8400
Taiwan	6100	9850

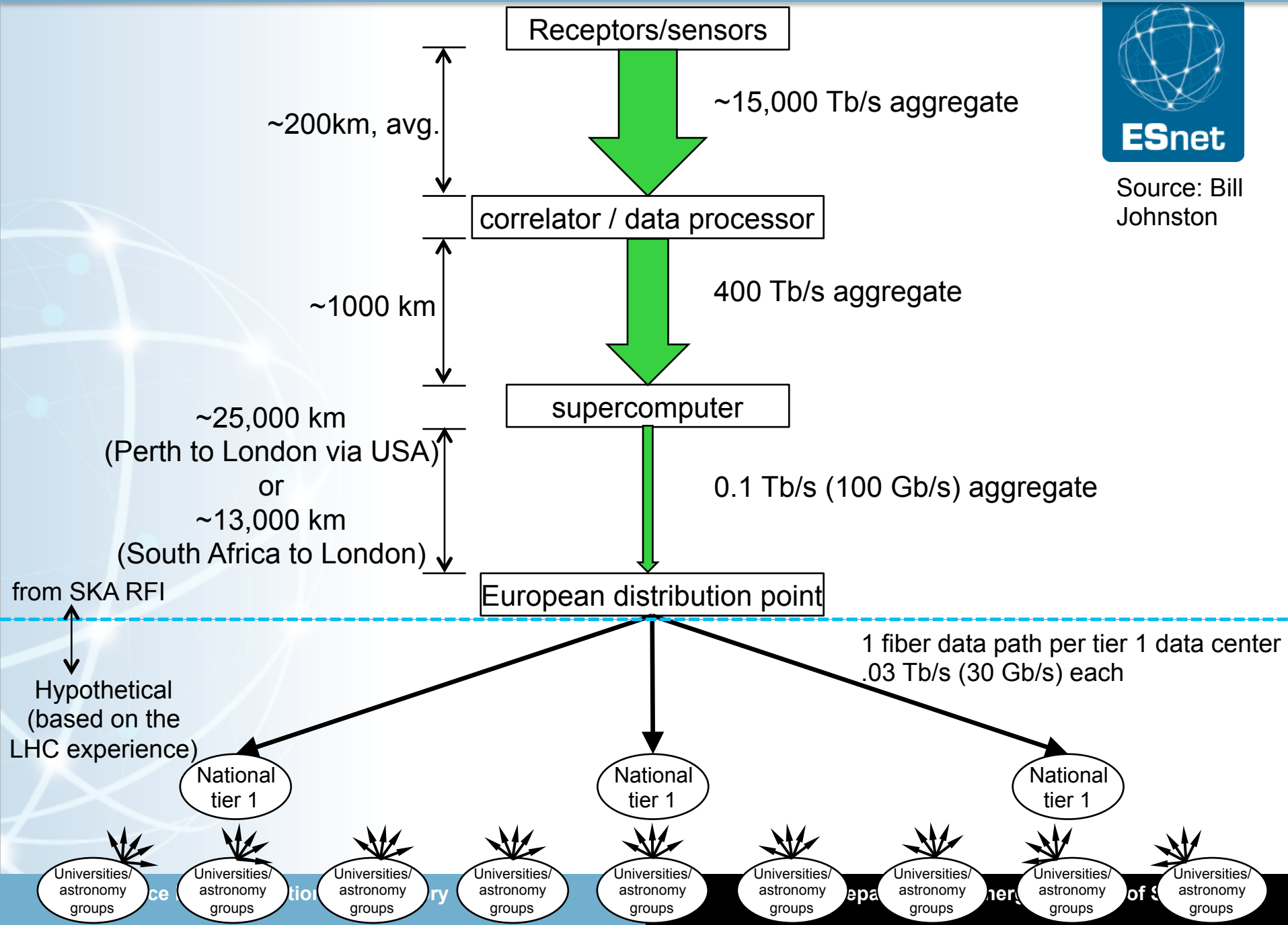


Source: Bill Johnston

# A Network Centric View of the SKA



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# New thinking changes the language of interaction



## Infrastructure

- Provides best-effort IP dialtone
- Average end-to-end performance, packet loss is fine
- How much bandwidth do you need? (1G/10G/100G)
- Ping works, you are all set, go away

## Instrument

- Adapts to the requirements of the experiment, science, end-to-end flow
- Highly calibrated, zero packet loss end-to-end
- What's your sustained end-to-end performance in bits/sec? Can I get the same performance anytime?
- Tuned to meet the application's workflow needs, across network domains



# Adjectives for Network as a Instrument (Naal)



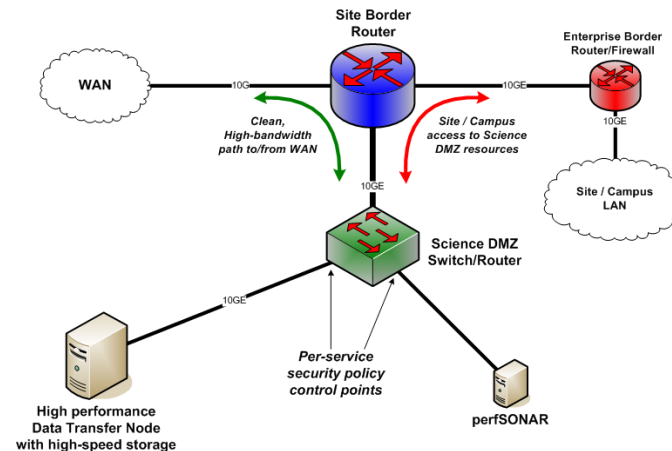
- End-to-End
- Programmable
- Simple
- Predictable

# Science DMZ: remove roadblocks towards end-to-end performance

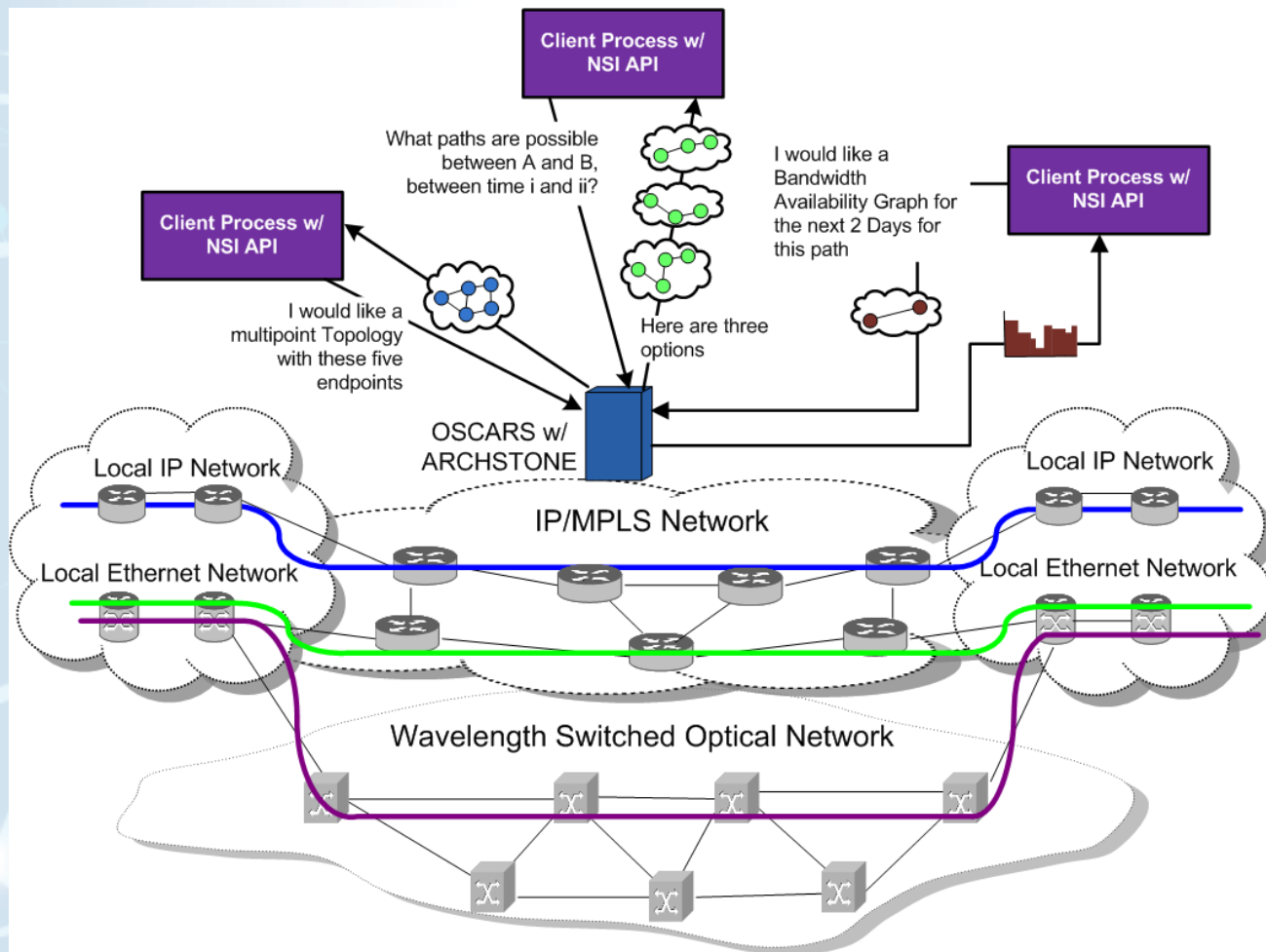


Science DMZ – a well-configured location for high-performance WAN-facing science services

- Located at or near site perimeter on dedicated infrastructure
- Dedicated, high-performance data movers
- Highly capable network devices (wire-speed, deep queues)
- Virtual circuit connectivity
- Security policy and enforcement are specific to science workflows
- perfSONAR



# Programmable networks (1): Service Interfaces



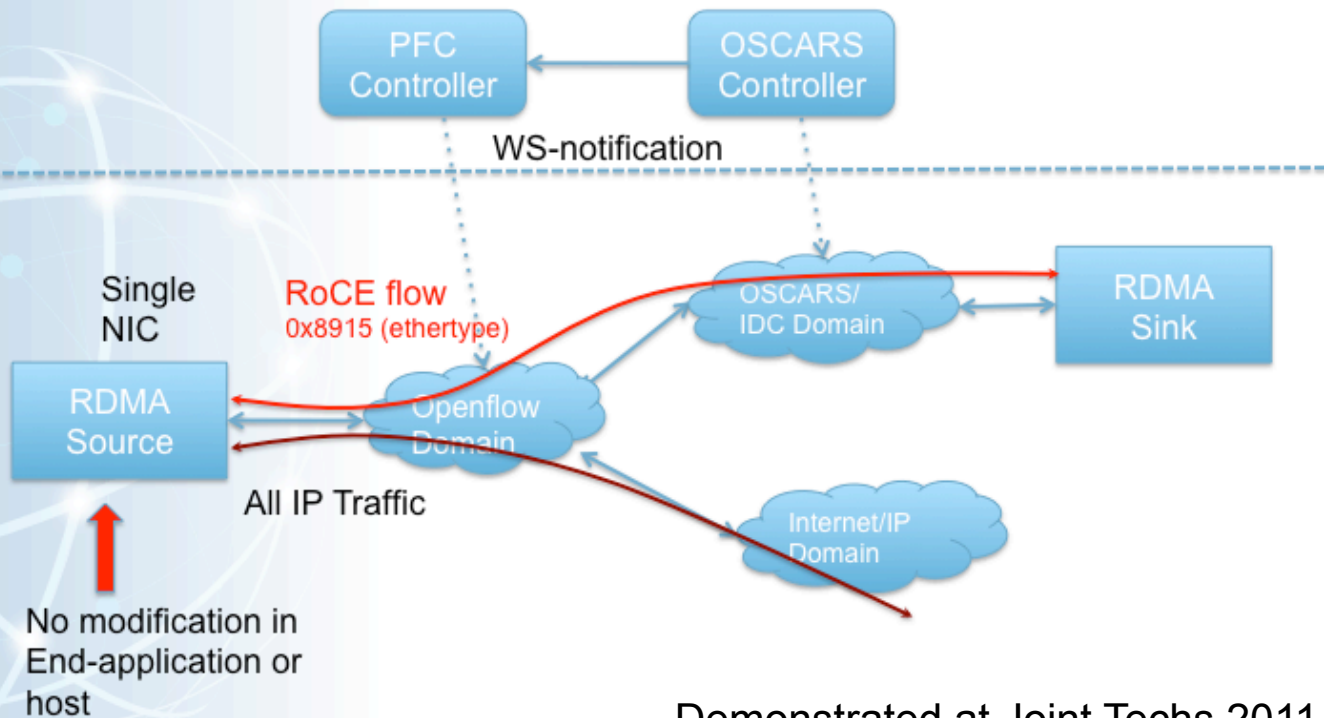
- Intelligent Network Services
  - Reservation
  - Scheduled
- Standard Service Interface
  - NSI (OGF)

Slide courtesy: ARCHSTONE project

# Programmable networks (2): Software-Defined Networking (SDN)



Demonstrating end-to-end RDMA flows



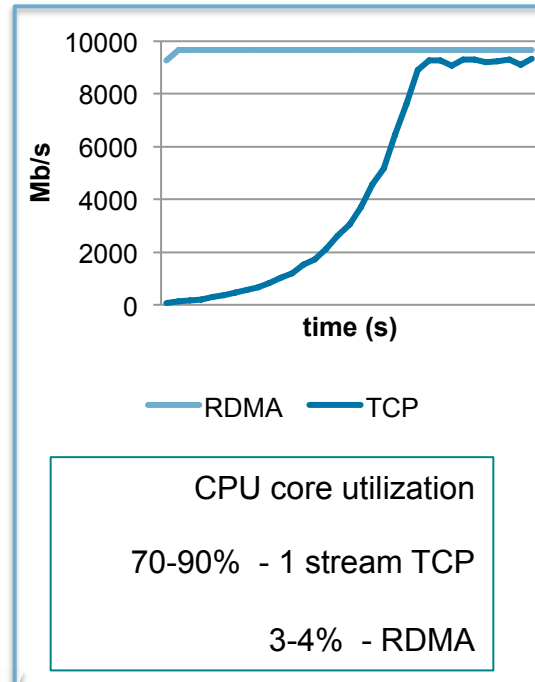
Flexible,  
Programmable,  
separation of  
flows

Demonstrated at Joint Techs 2011



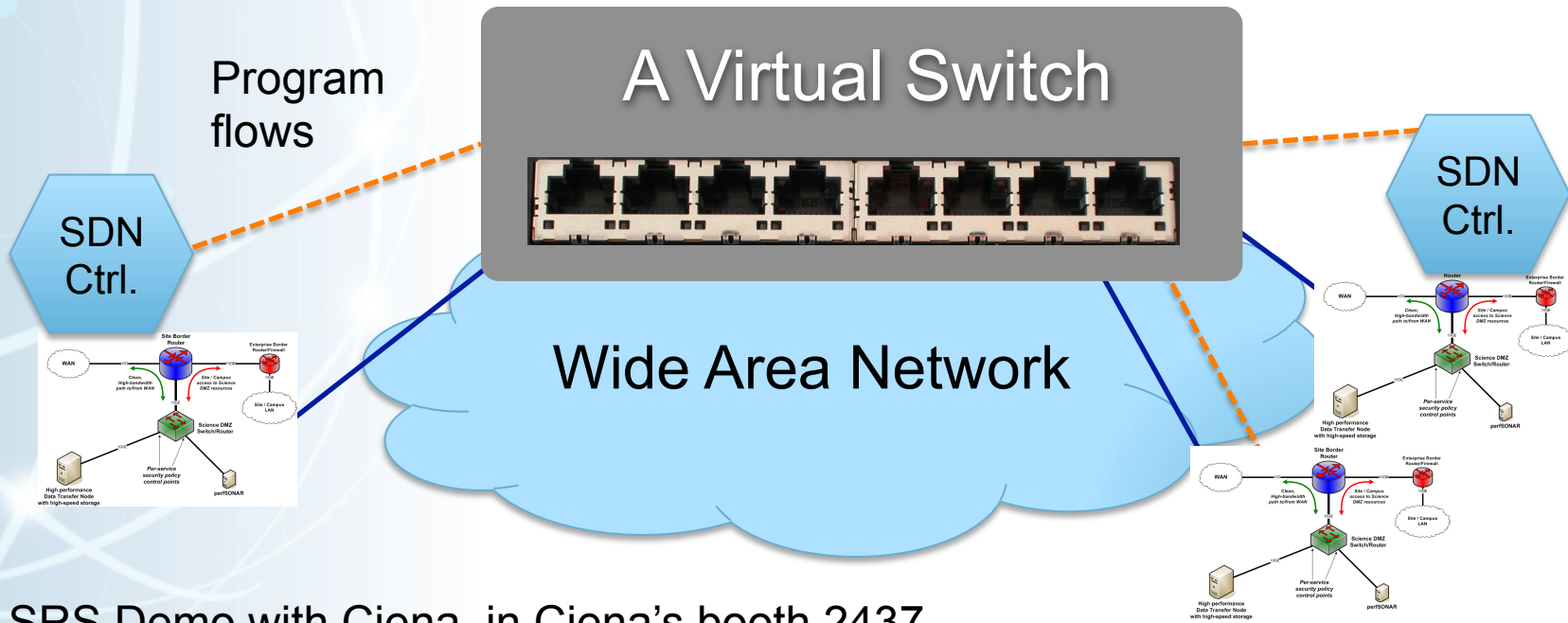
## Programmable networks (3): New Protocols for high-speed data transfer

- Bridging end-site dynamic flows with WAN dynamic tunnels
  - Zero-configuration virtual circuit from end-host to end-host
  - Automated discovery of circuit end-points
- Cross-country RDMA-over-Ethernet high-performance data transfers
- SC11 Demonstration
  - 9.8 Gbps on 10 Gbps, 78 ms RTT link between Brookhaven in NY to Seattle, WA
  - <4% CPU load compared to 1 stream TCP w/80% util.
  - No special host hardware other than NIC with RoCE support



# Simple abstractions

How can Storage leverage this simple network abstraction?



SRS Demo with Ciena, in Ciena's booth 2437



# Conclusion

Moving data fast(er) is a 21<sup>st</sup> century reality

- Distributed Science Collaborations, Large Instruments, Cloud Computing

Network is not an infrastructure, but an instrument

- Think Different, do not set your expectations about the network as your traffic highway

**Simple, Programmable, Network abstractions with a Service Interface**

- How will storage workflows leverage that?



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**Thank You!**