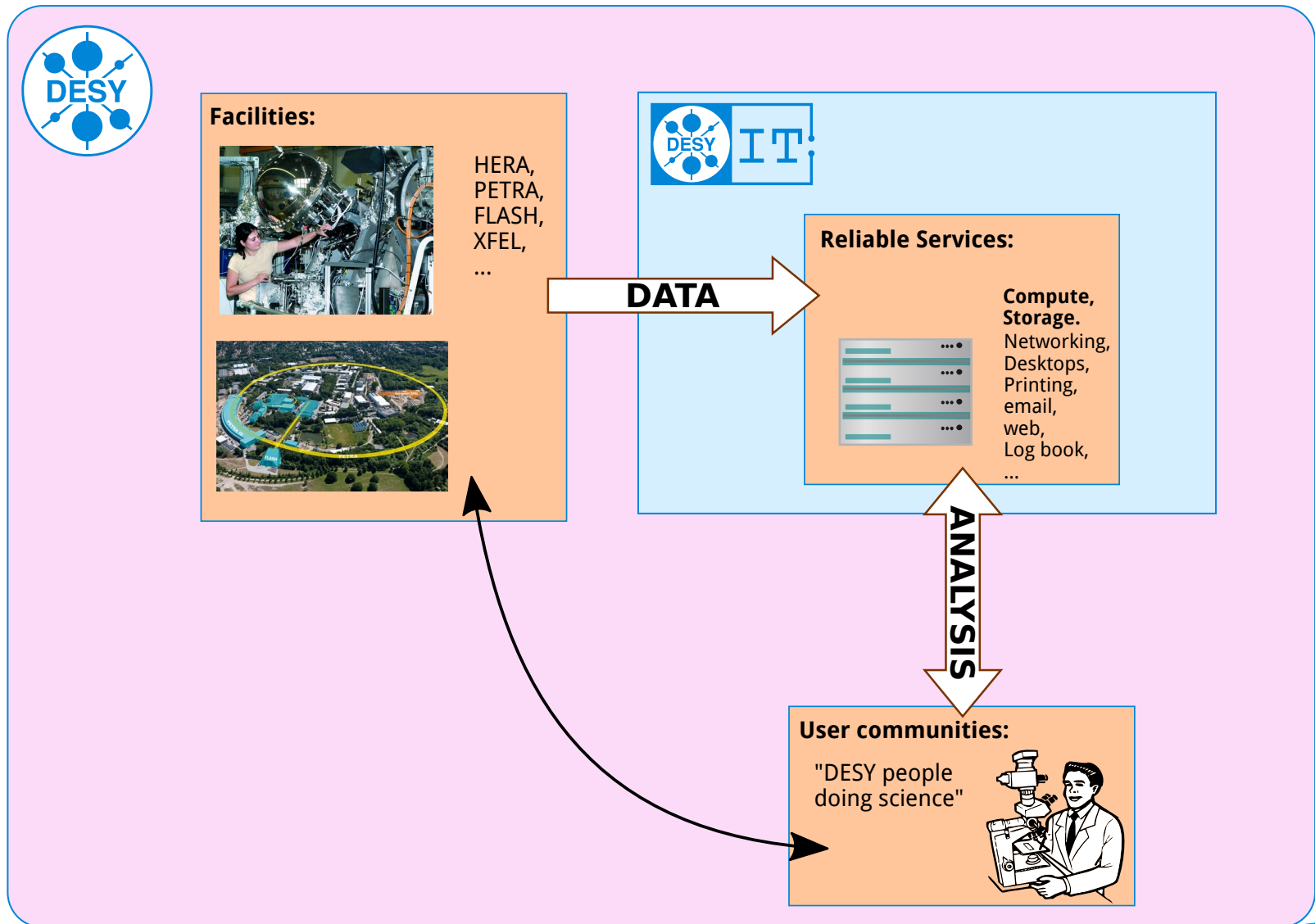


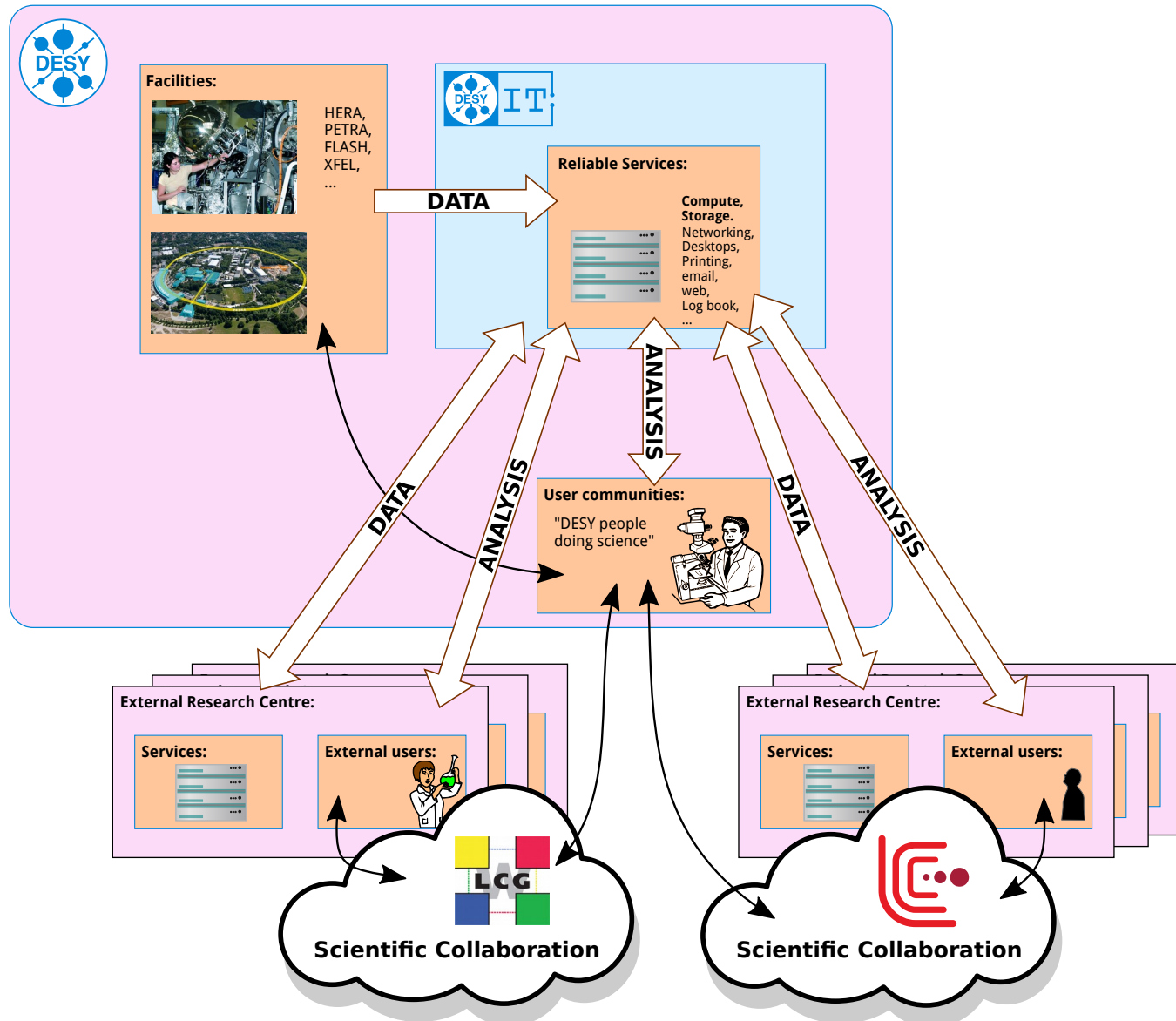
Challenges and future directions in supporting scientific exploration

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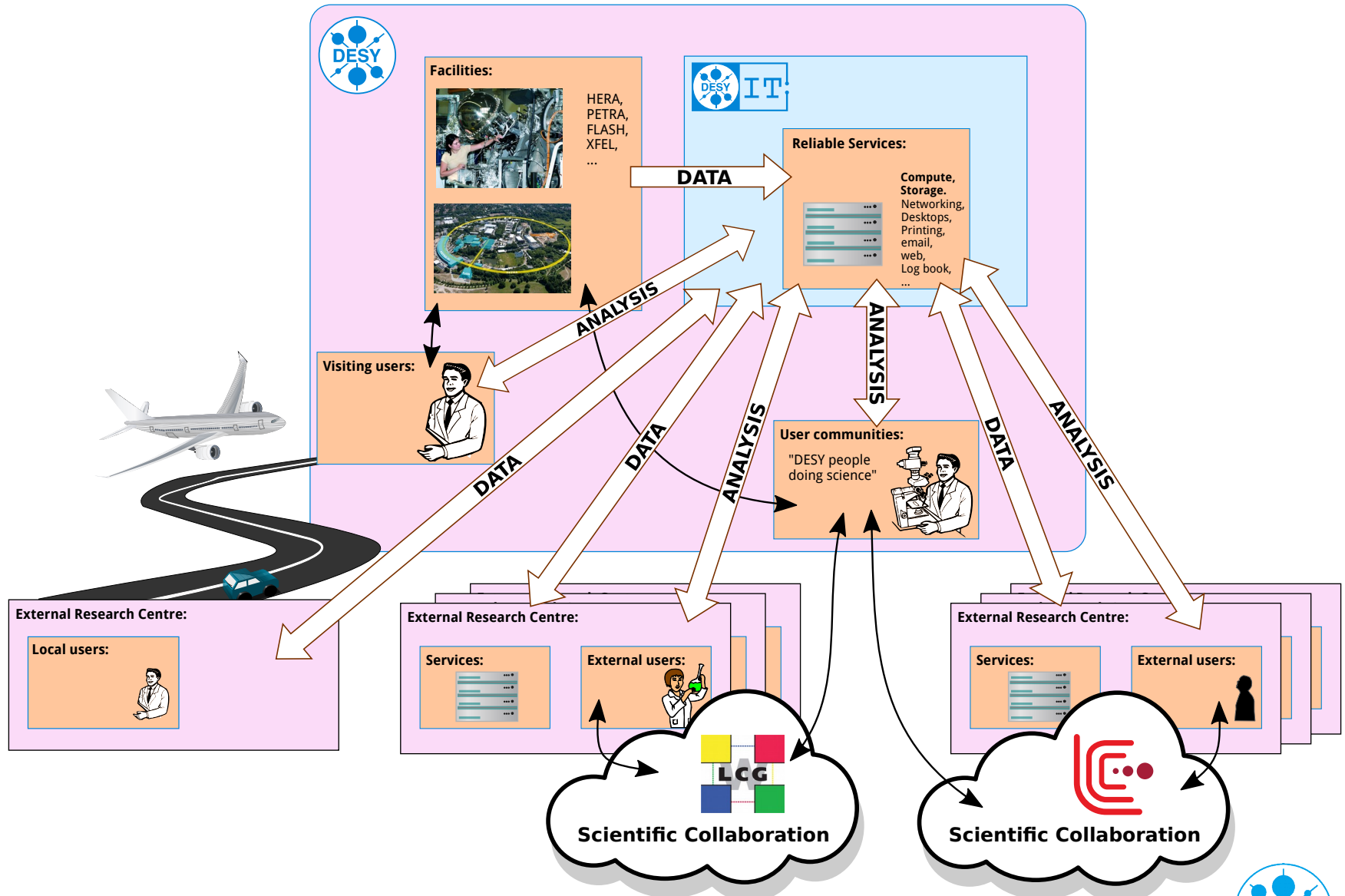
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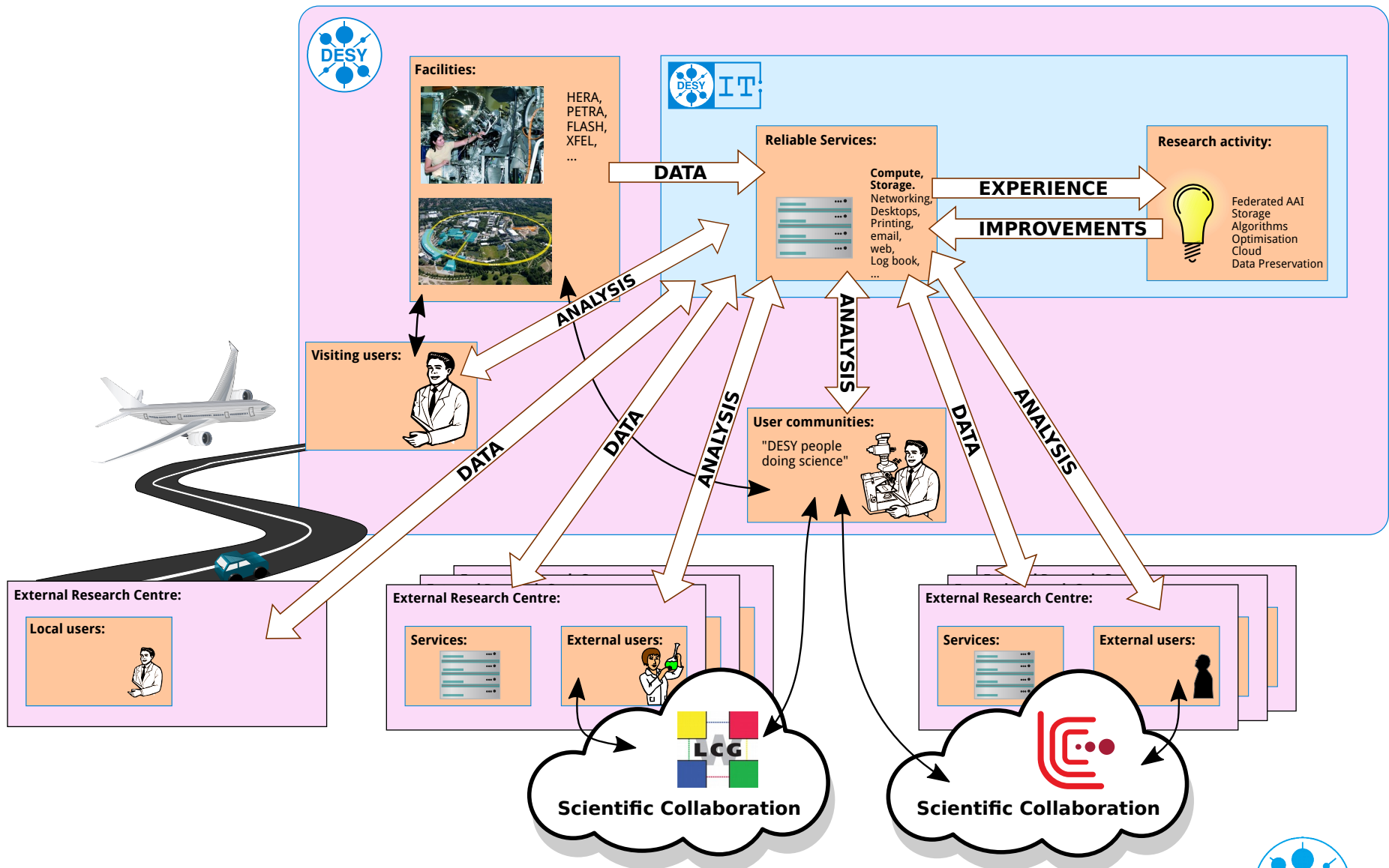
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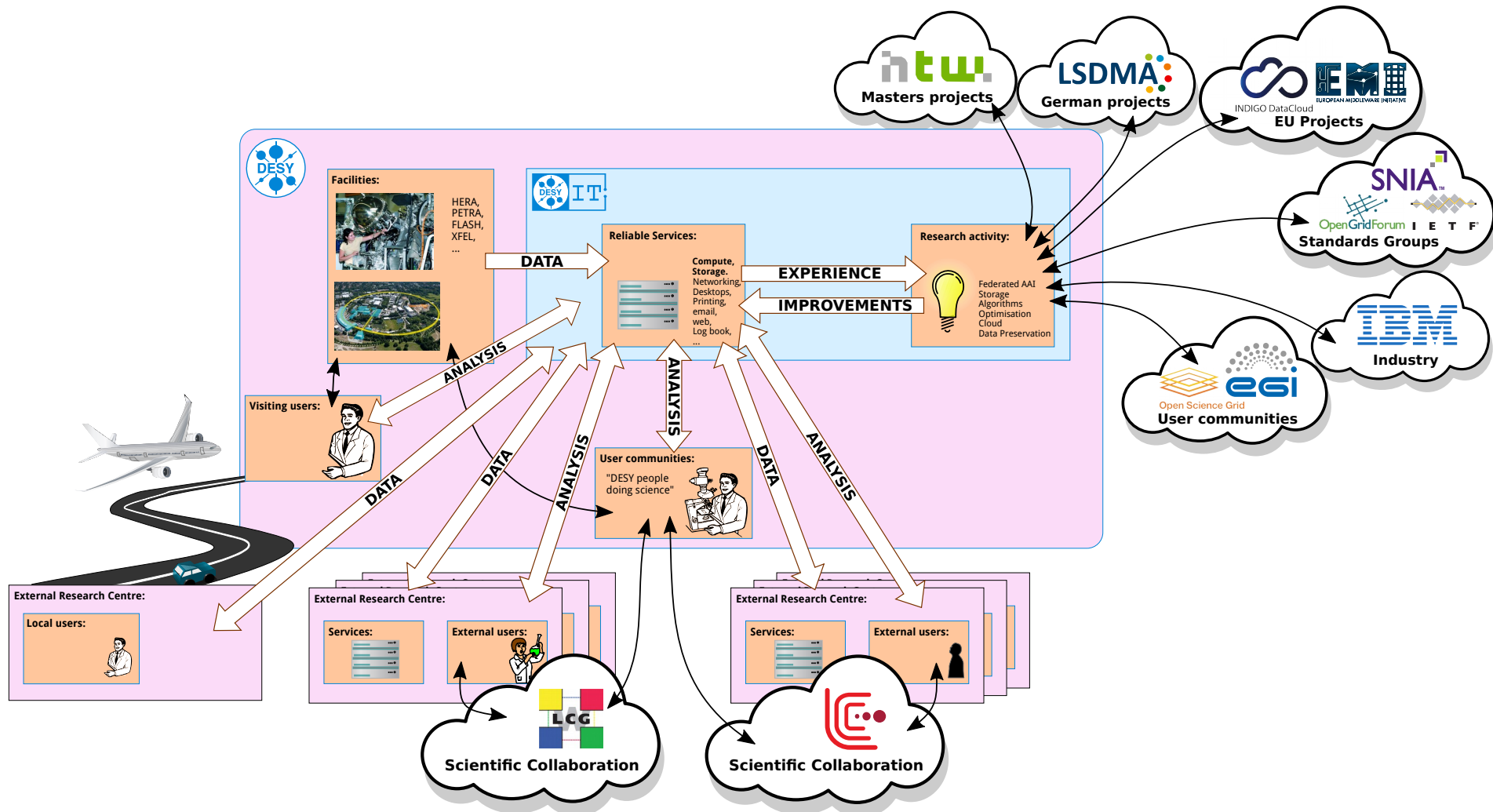
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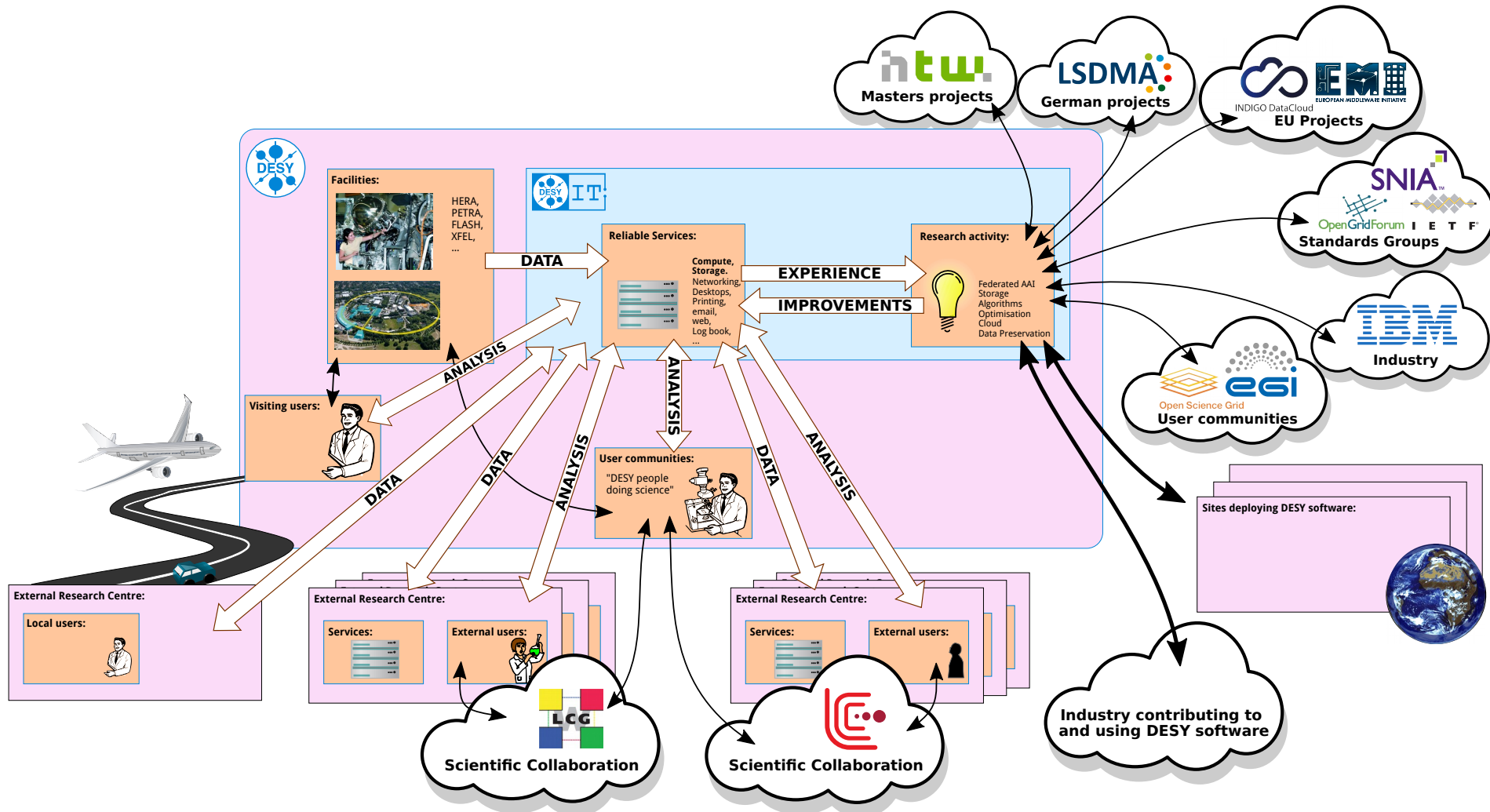
Researching improvements



Research connected



The complete overview

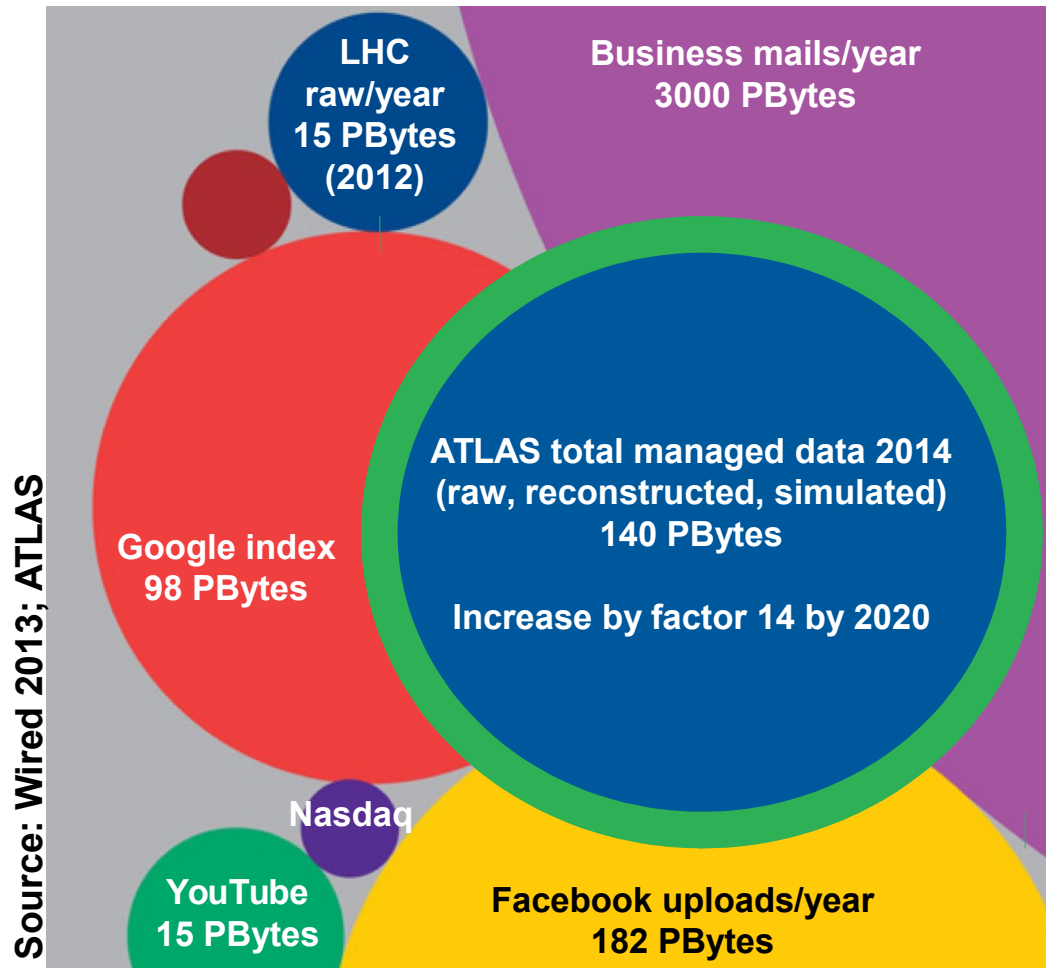


The WLCG “computer” for LHC computation

- 170 computer centres, located at 40 countries spread over the world
- Networking originally hierarchically structured:
 - Single Tier-0 is CERN, countries (mostly) have a single Tier-1 and multiple Tier-2
 - Now less structured: network traffic crosses country boundaries.
- Compute facility provided as various independent batch systems:
 - Some 490,000 job slots (i.e., cores), ~3% by DESY.
- Storage capacity at sites is provided by various software
 - Some 254 PiB (~5% by DESY) of disk capacity and 200 PiB tape capacity
- Dedicated networking:
 - LHC-OPN: dedicated fibre-optic link from CERN to Tier-1 centres and between Tier-1 centres.
 - LHC-ONE: isolated WLCG traffic from normal Internet activity.



Comparison of data sizes



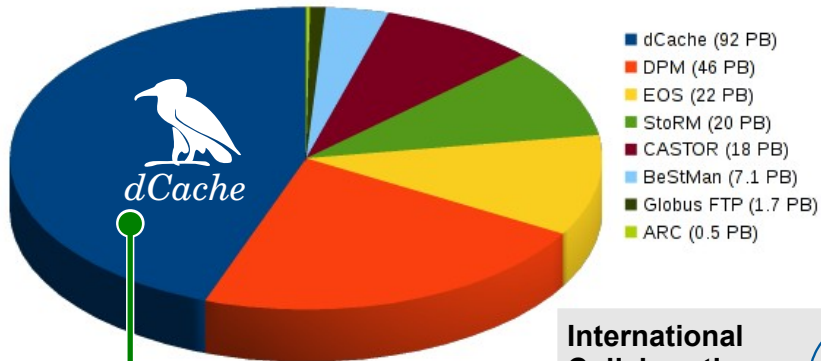
dCache ... an example of DESY research project




dCache: managed storage for big data

LHC data stored on each storage system


Source: BDI published data (2014-01-30)




International Collaboration




5 FTEs



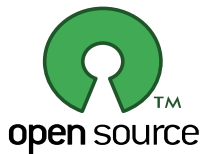
2 FTEs



1.5 FTEs



dCache



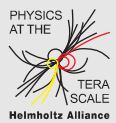





Student mentor programme





Hochschule für Technik
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3 students

Collaborations









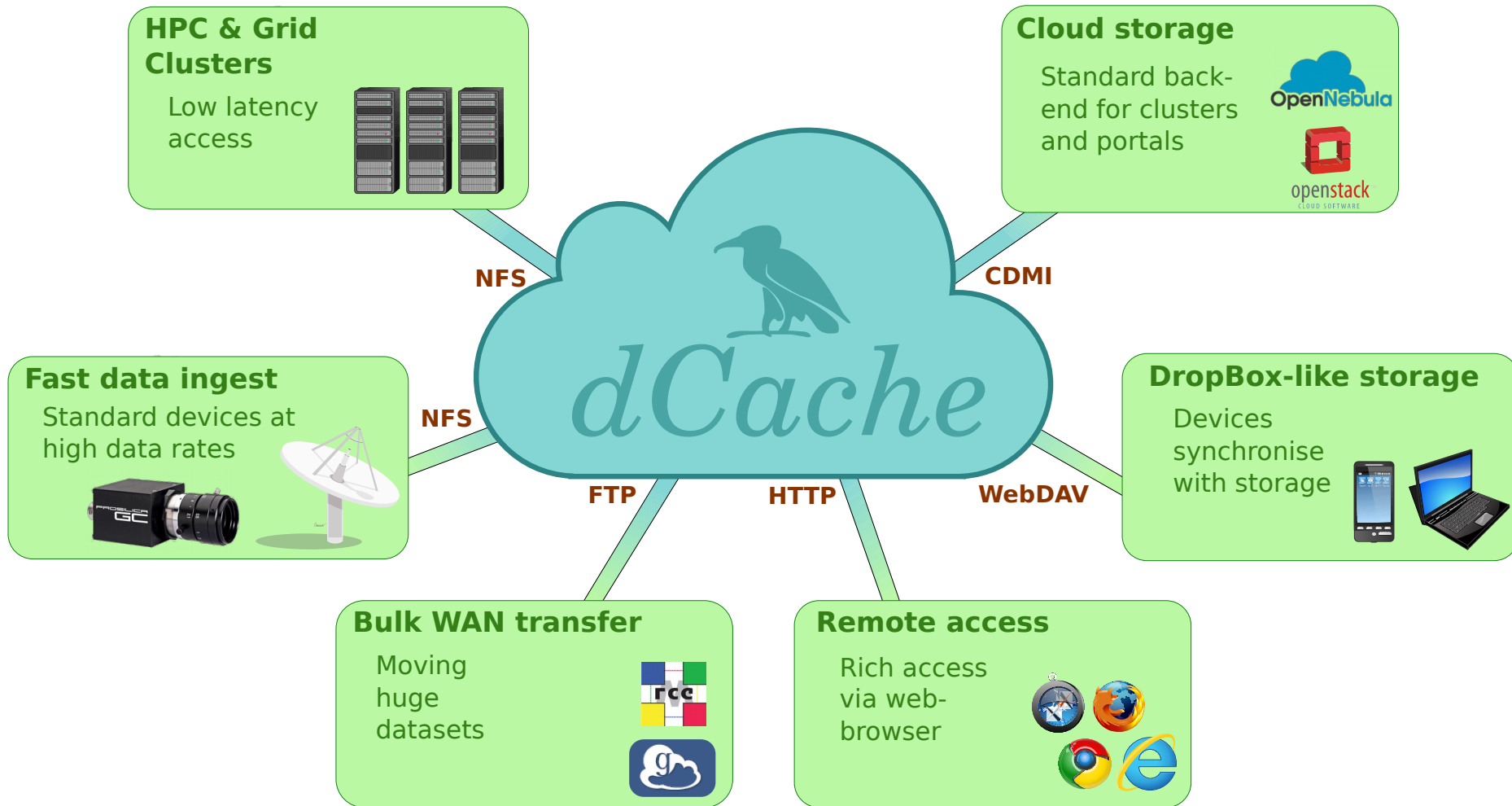


dCache: evolution of big data

Era	Disk cache	Grid Storage	Generic Storage	Cloud Storage
Additional Communities				
Additional Authentication	Trusted host	X.509, Kerberos	Username+PW	SAML, OpenID, OAuth, Token, ...



Storage Vision



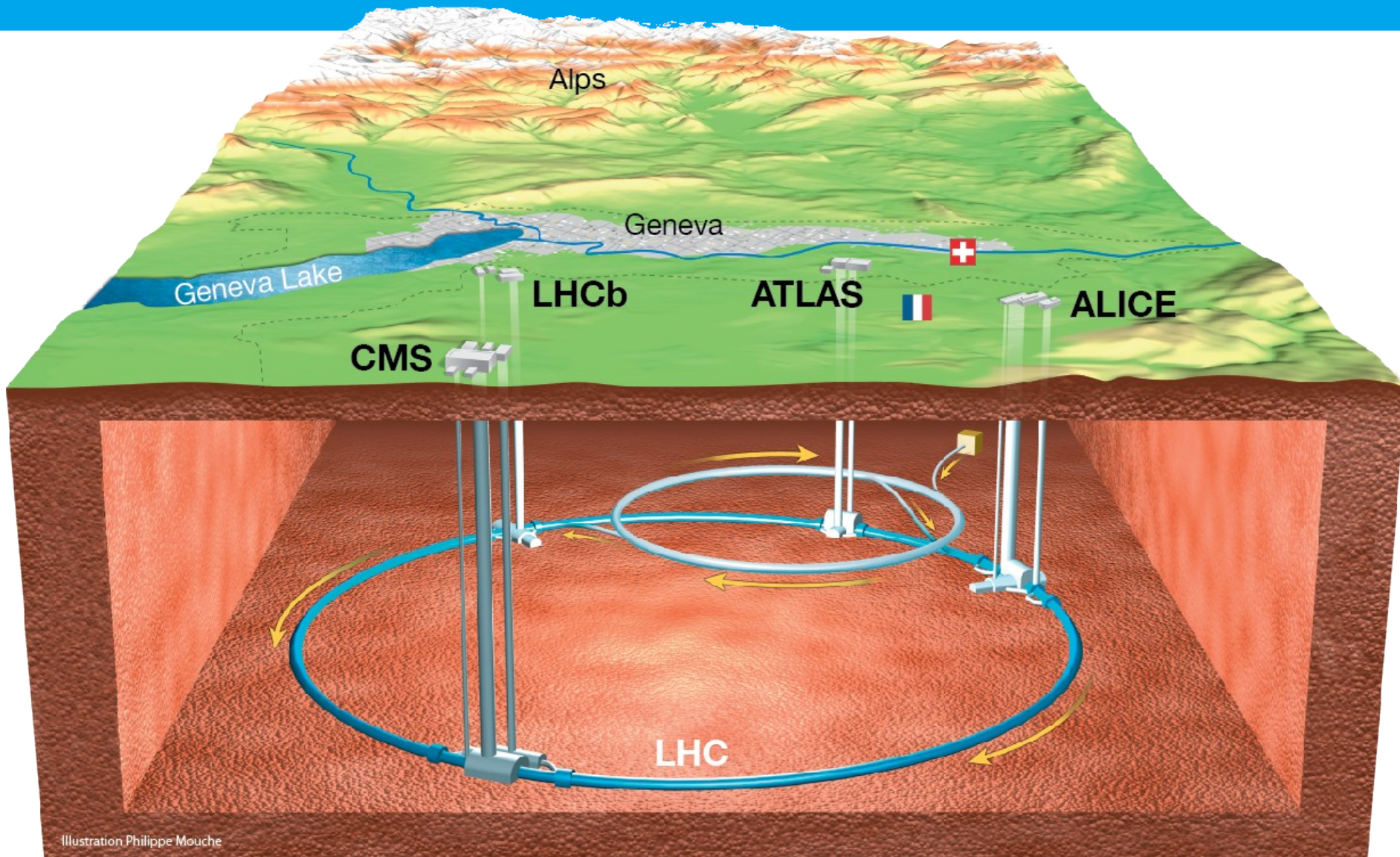
dCache future directions

- Building on existing support for standards:
 - Strong support for NFS v4.1 pNFS.
- Taking advantage of others' work:
 - Technologies like CEPH partially overlap with dCache; can we build on it?
- Rethinking storage:
 - Standard protocols (like CDMI) define much richer semantics of storage; do these provide new opportunities?
 - Clients using dCache as an object store.
- INDIGO DataCloud:
 - €11.1M, 26 partners (~11 countries), 30 months H2020 project.
 - Building software to support a European-wide federated cloud.
- Work towards the Storage Vision:
 - Many parts already there, we're adding the remaining bit.

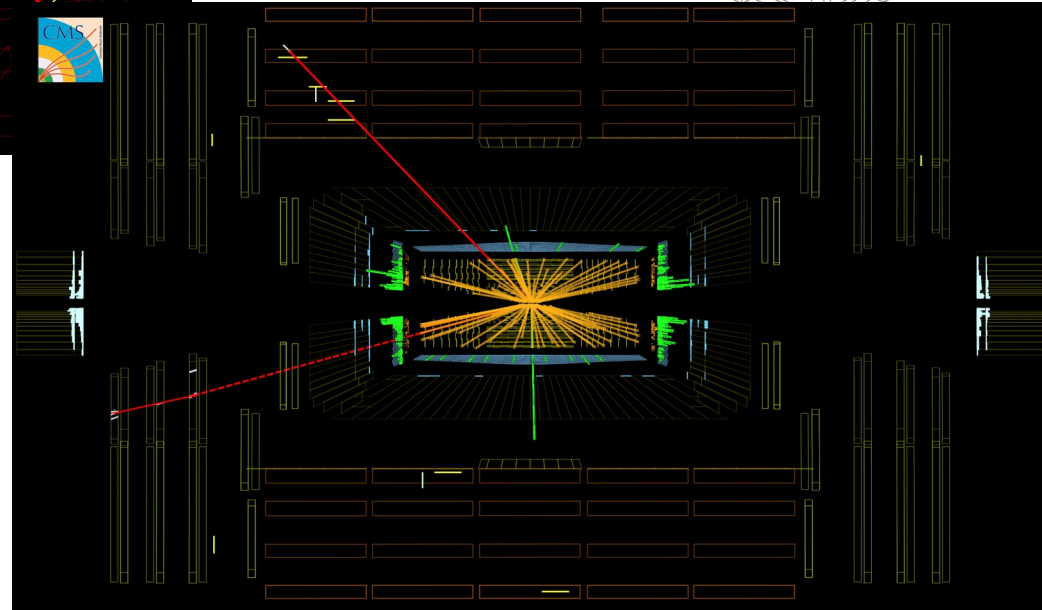
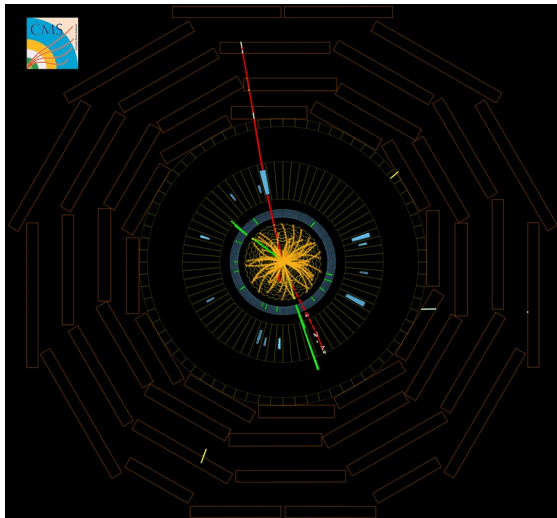
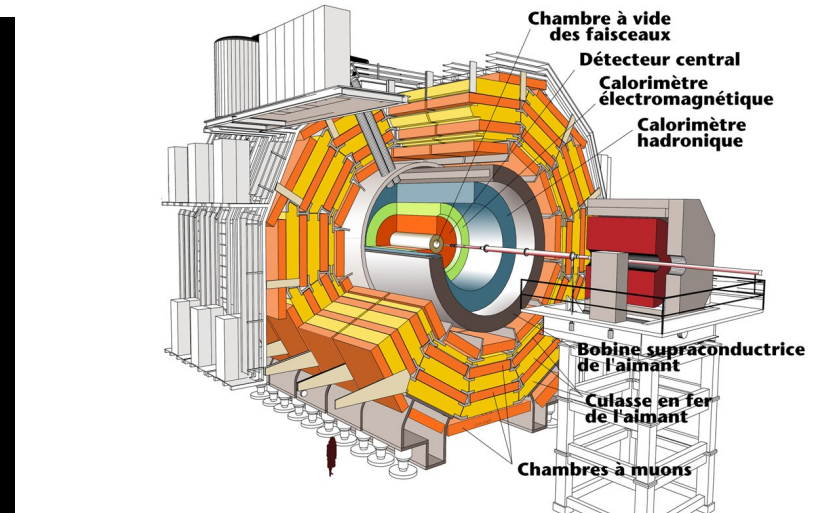
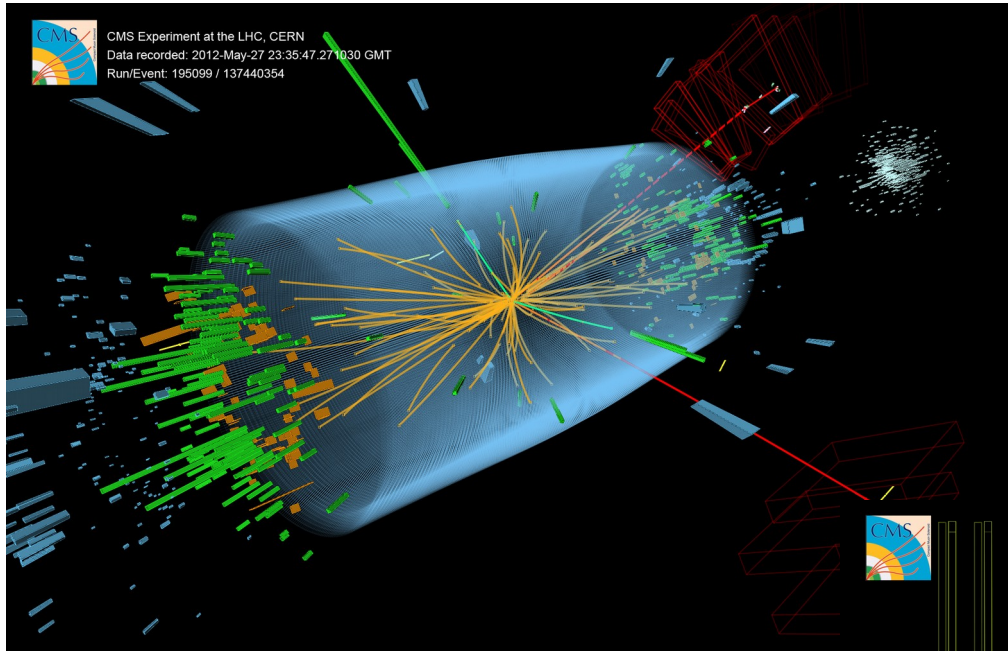


Backup slides

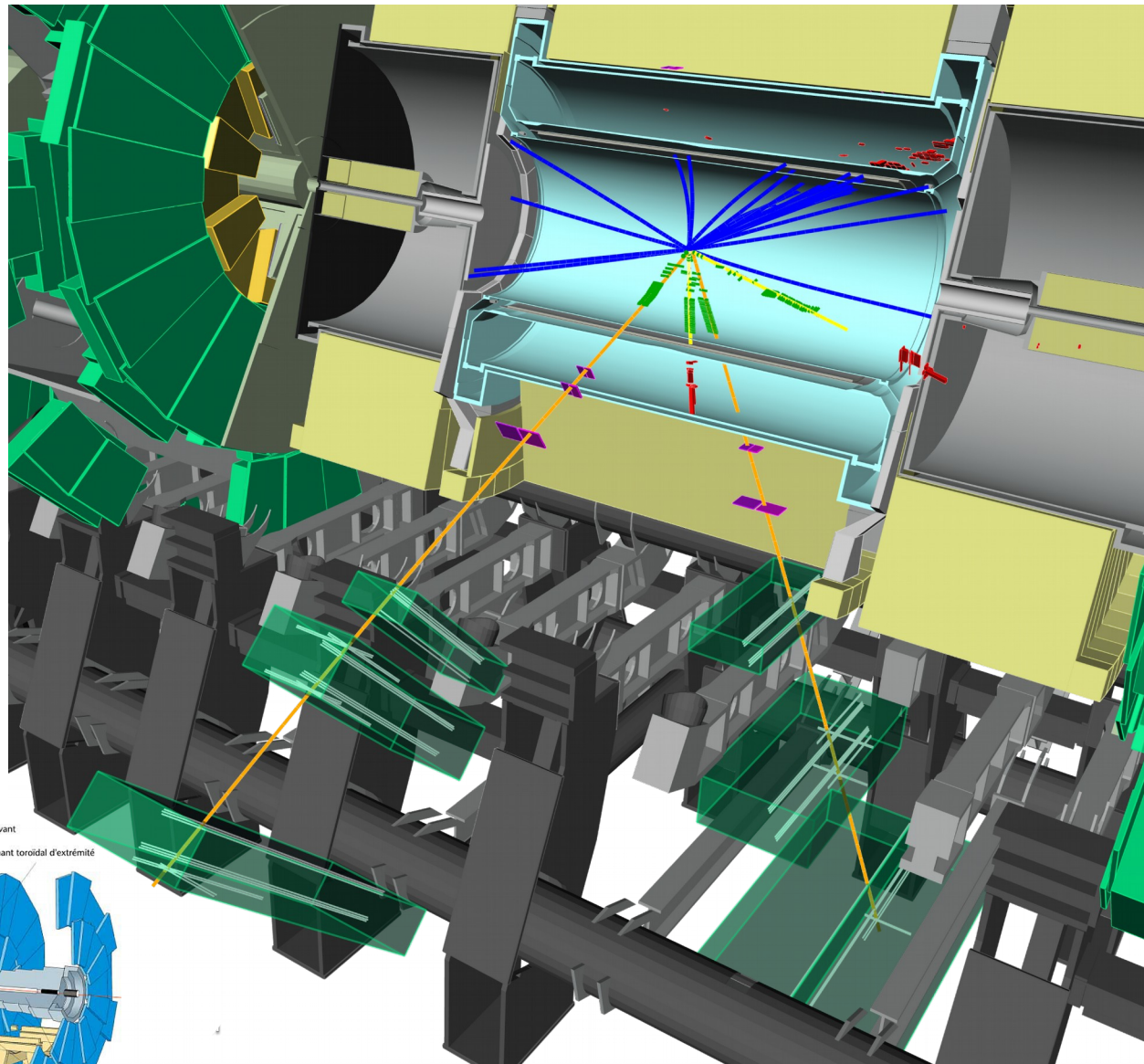
Overview of the LHC



HEP data analysis: reconstruction



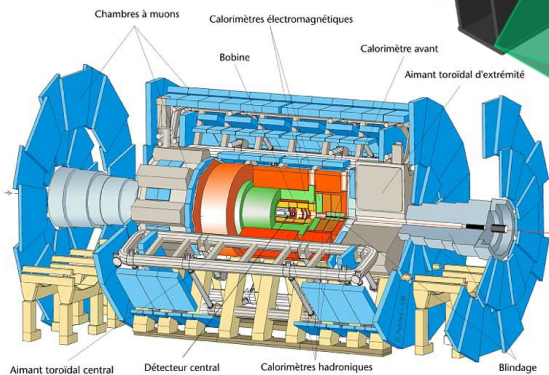
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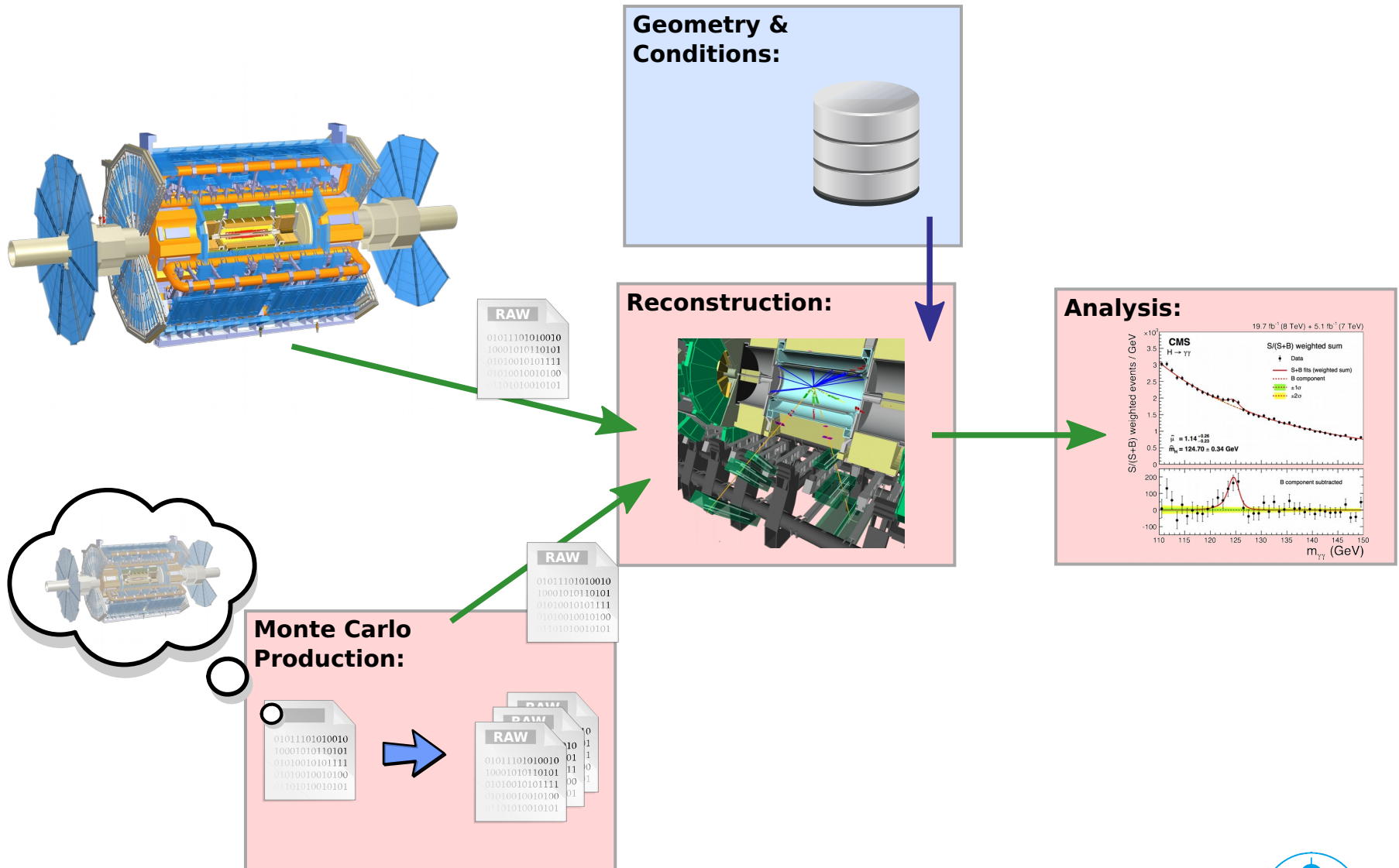
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HEP data analysis workflow



Next generation photon-science detectors



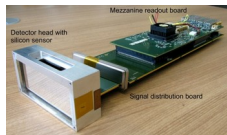
Eiger

Pixels	Frame Rate	Data Rate	OS
1k x 1k x 2	2 kHz	30 Gb/s	RHEL6



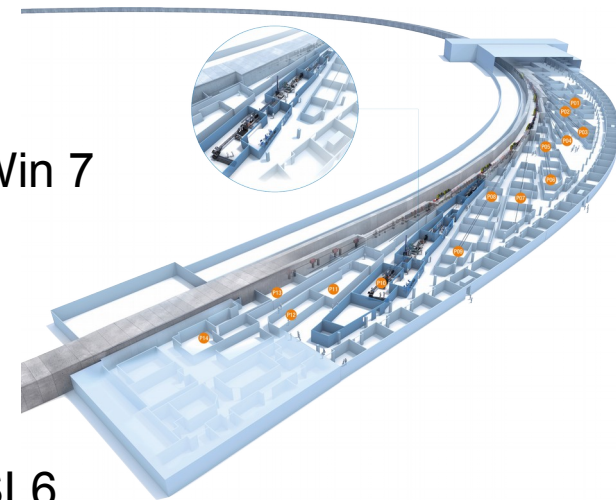
PCO Edge

2560 x 2160	100 Hz	5.6 Gb/s	Win 7
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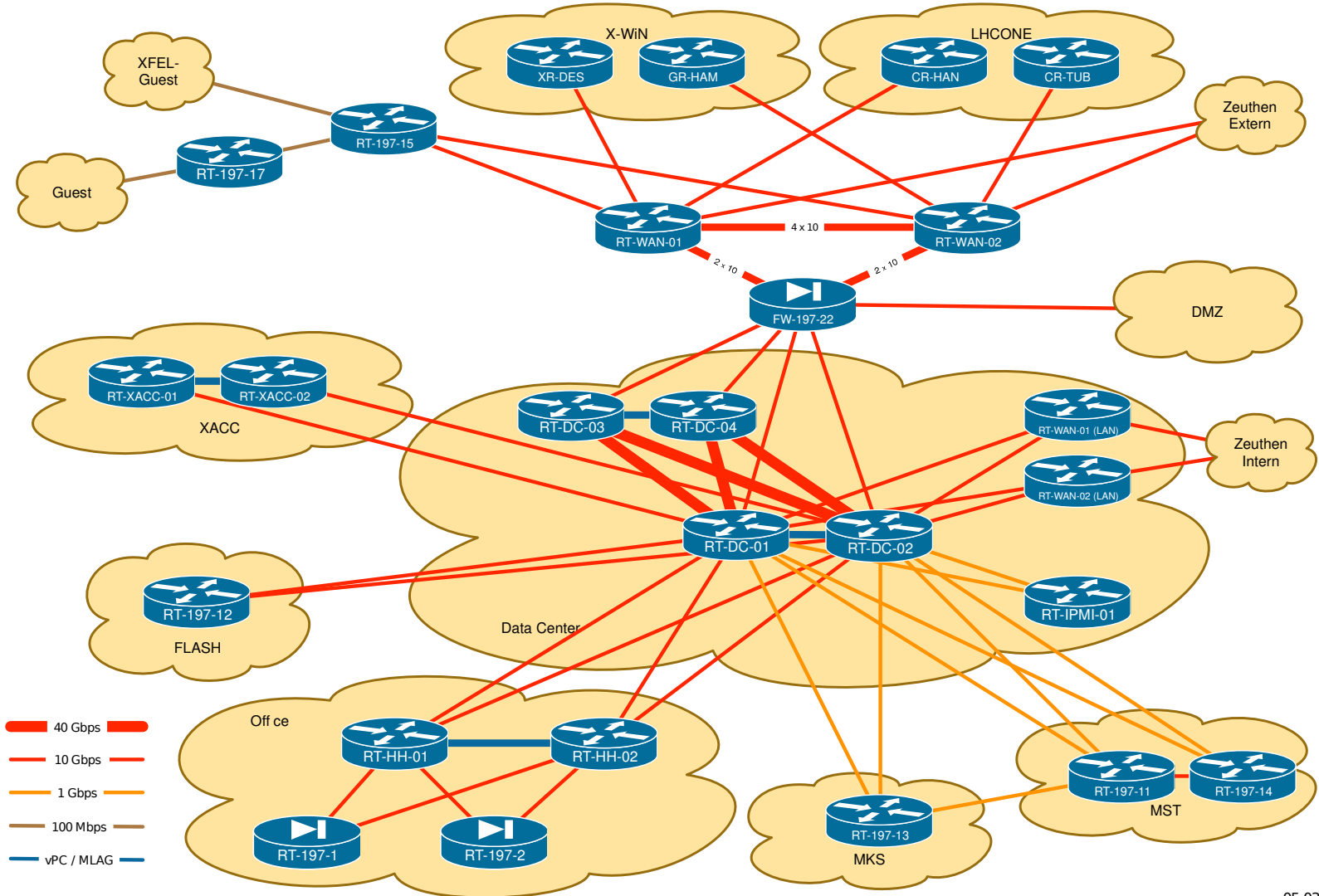


LAMBDA

3x1536x512x2	2 kHz	60 Gb/s	SL6
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DESY network topology



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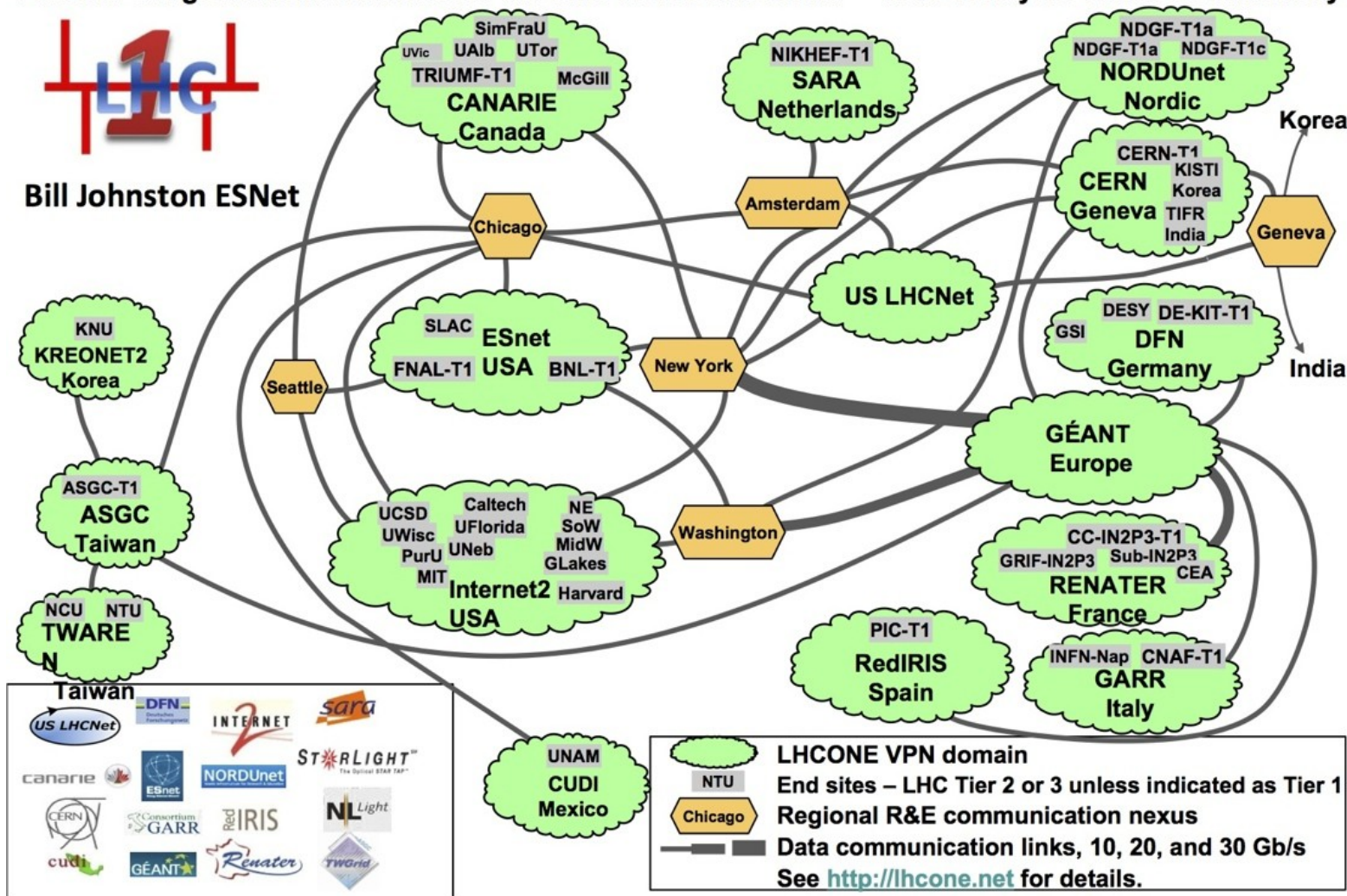


LHC ONE: global infrastructure for LHC connectivity

LHCONE: A global infrastructure for the LHC Tier1 Data Center – Tier 2 Analysis Center Connectivity



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Computing usage

