

Bringing Grids to University Campuses

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Examples Discussed Here

- Three campuses, in different states of readiness
 - ◆ University of Wisconsin: GLOW
 - ◆ University of Michigan: MGRID
 - ◆ University of Florida: UF Research Grid
- Not complete, by any means
 - ◆ Goal is to illustrate factors that go into creating campus Grid facilities



Grid Laboratory of Wisconsin

- 2003 Initiative funded by NSF/UW: Six GLOW Sites
 - ◆ Computational Genomics, Chemistry
 - ◆ Amanda, Ice-cube, Physics/Space Science
 - ◆ High Energy Physics/CMS, Physics
 - ◆ Materials by Design, Chemical Engineering
 - ◆ Radiation Therapy, Medical Physics
 - ◆ Computer Science
- Deployed in two Phases

<http://www.cs.wisc.edu/condor/glow/>



Condor/GLOW Ideas

- **Exploit commodity hardware for high throughput computing**
 - ◆ The base hardware is the same at all sites
 - ◆ Local configuration optimization as needed (e.g., CPU vs storage)
 - ◆ Must meet global requirements (very similar configurations now)

- **Managed locally at 6 sites**
 - ◆ Shared globally across all sites
 - ◆ Higher priority for local jobs

GLOW Deployment

➤ GLOW Phase-I and II are commissioned

➤ CPU

◆ 66 nodes each @ ChemE, CS, LMCG, MedPhys

◆ 60 nodes @ Physics

◆ 30 nodes @ IceCube

◆ 50 extra nodes @ CS (ATLAS)

◆ Total CPU: ~800

➤ Storage

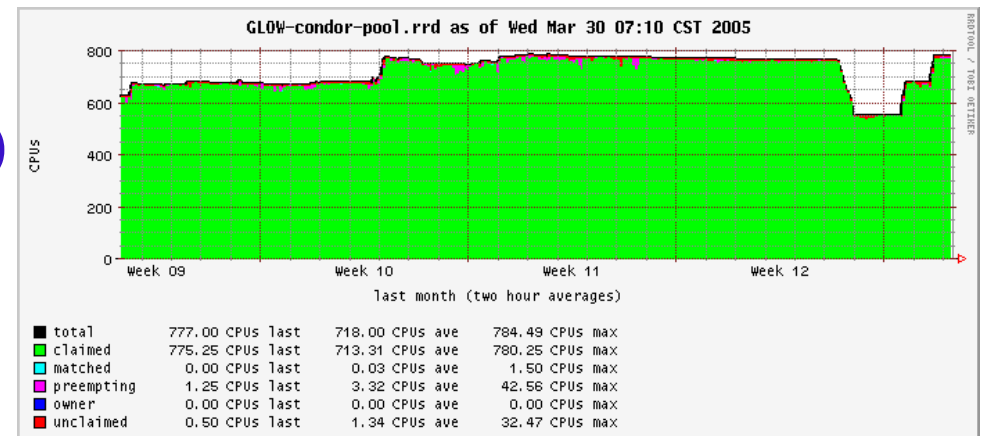
◆ Head nodes @ at all sites

◆ 45 TB each @ CS and Physics

◆ Total storage: ~ 100 TB

➤ GLOW resources used at ~100% level

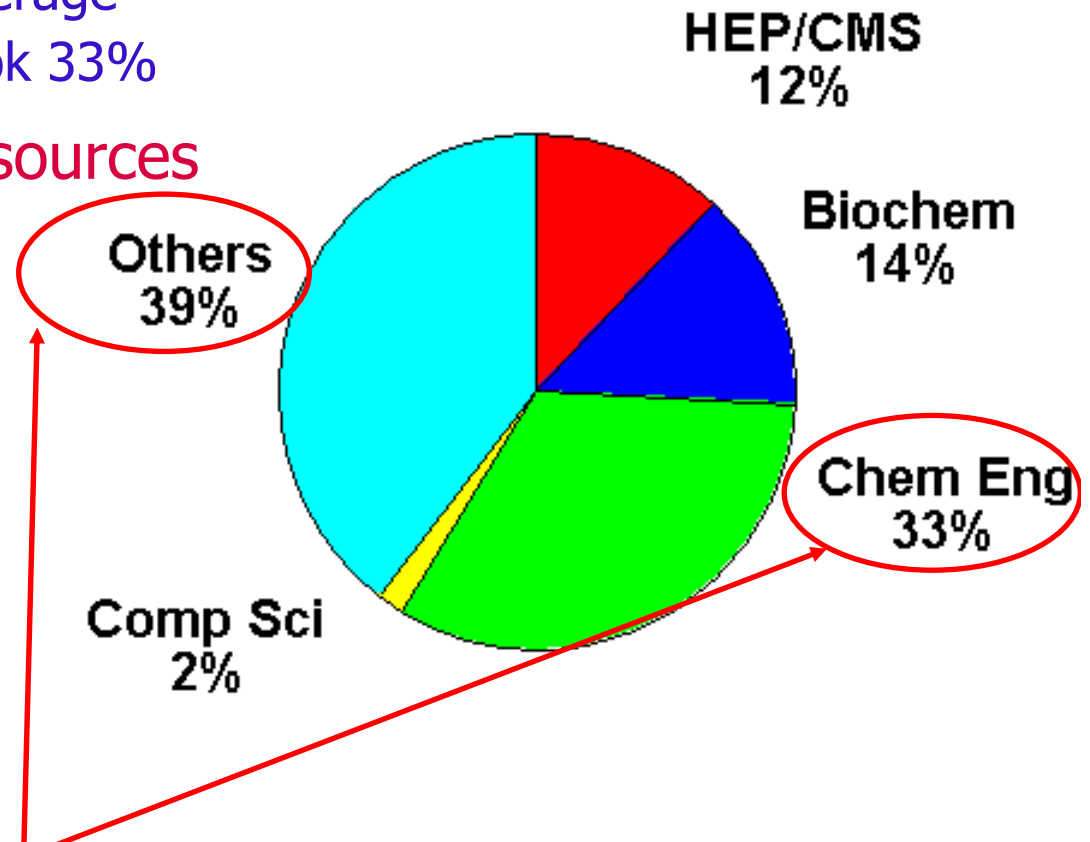
◆ Key is having multiple user groups



Resource Sharing in GLOW

- **Six GLOW sites**
 - ◆ Equal priority \Rightarrow 17% average
 - ◆ Chemical Engineering took 33%
- **Others scavenge idle resources**
 - ◆ Yet, they got 39%

GLOW Usage in September 2004



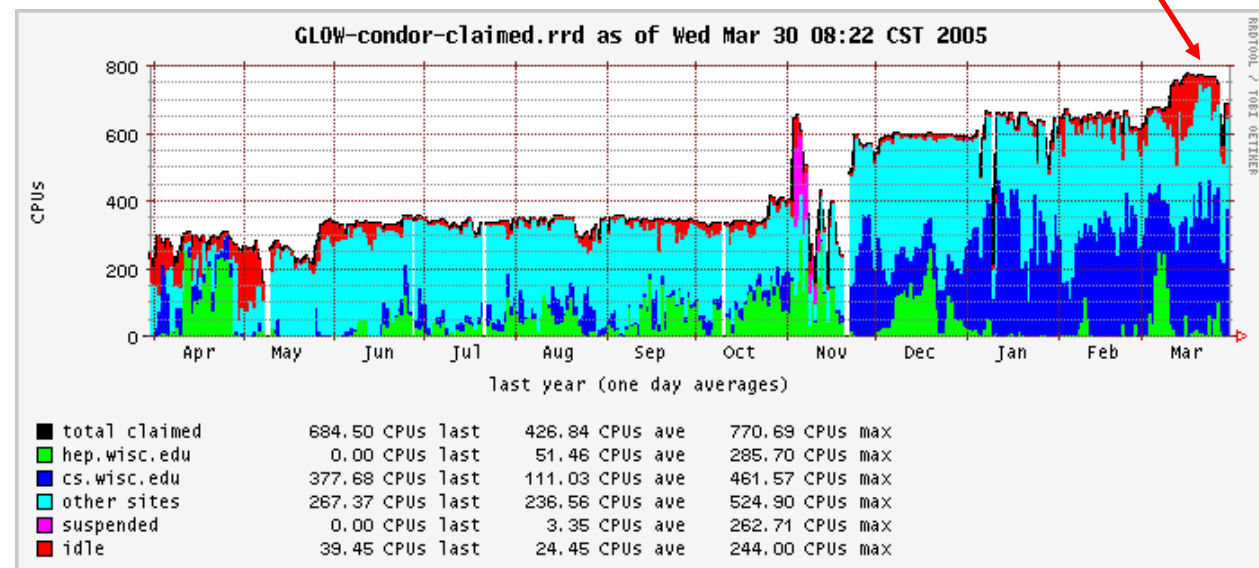
Efficient users can realize much more than they put in



GLOW Usage: Highly Efficient

- CS + Guests
 - ◆ Largest user, many cycles delivered to guests
- ChemE
 - ◆ Largest community
- HEP/CMS
 - ◆ Production for collaboration, analysis for local physicists
- LMCG
 - ◆ Standard Universe
- Medical Physics
 - ◆ MPI jobs
- IceCube
 - ◆ Simulations

~800 CPUs





Adding New GLOW Members

- Proposed minimum involvement
 - ◆ One rack with about 50 CPUs
- Identified system support person who joins GLOW-tech
- PI joins the GLOW-exec
- Adhere to current GLOW policies
- Sponsored by existing GLOW members
 - ◆ ATLAS group and Condensed matter group were proposed by CMS and CS, and were accepted as new members
 - ATLAS using 50% of GLOW cycles (housed @ CS)
 - New machines of CM Physics group being commissioned
 - ◆ Expressions of interest from other groups



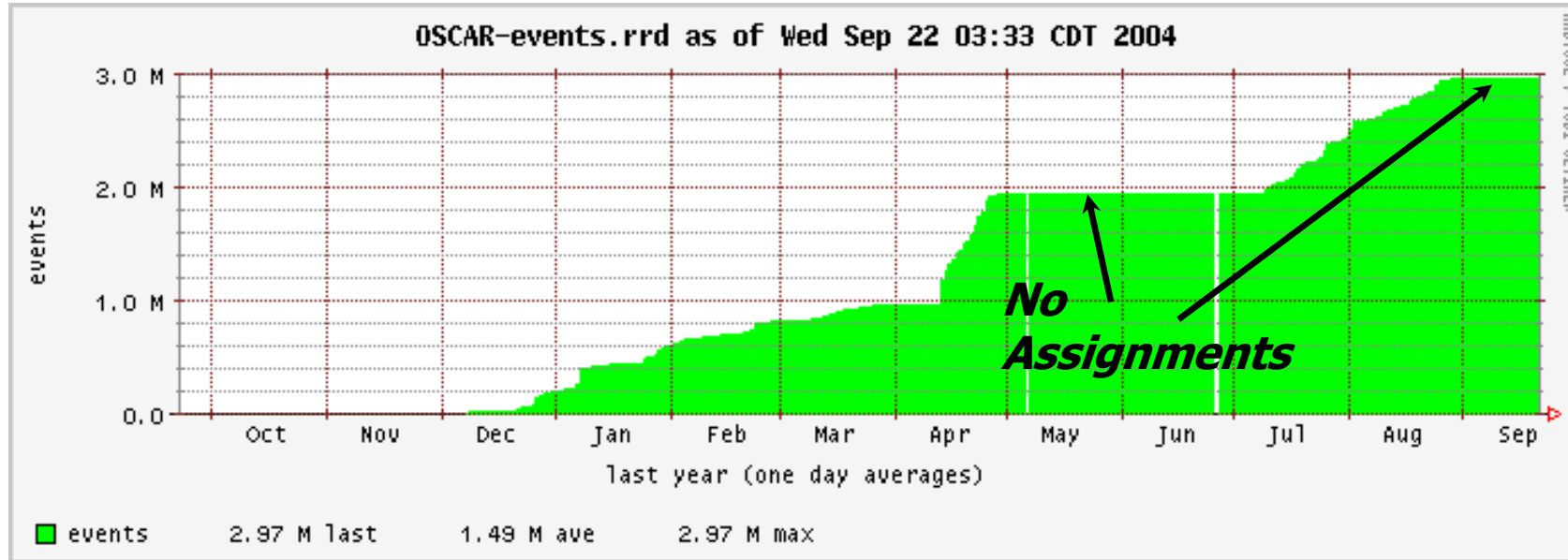
GLOW & Condor Development

- GLOW presents CS researchers with an ideal laboratory
 - ◆ Real users with diverse requirements
 - ◆ Early commissioning and stress testing of new Condor releases in an environment controlled by Condor team
 - ◆ Results in robust releases for world-wide Condor deployment
- New features in Condor Middleware (examples)
 - ◆ Group wise or hierarchical priority setting
 - ◆ Rapid-response with large resources for short periods of time for high priority interrupts
 - ◆ Hibernating shadow jobs instead of total preemption
 - ◆ MPI use (Medical Physics)
 - ◆ Condor-G (High Energy Physics)

OSCAR Simulation on Condor/GLOW

➤ OSCAR - Simulation using Geant4

- ◆ Runs in Vanilla Universe only (no checkpointing possible)
- ◆ Poor efficiency because of lack of checkpointing
- ◆ Application level checkpointing not in production (yet)

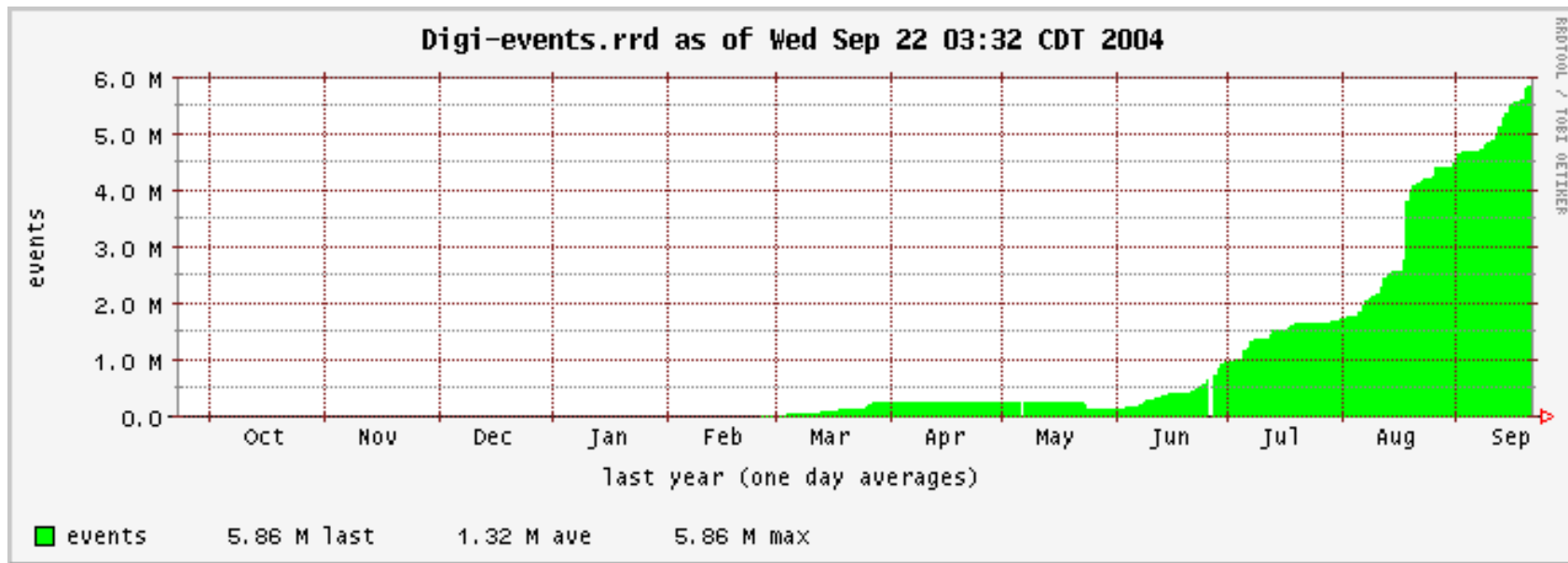




CMS Reconstruction on Condor/GLOW

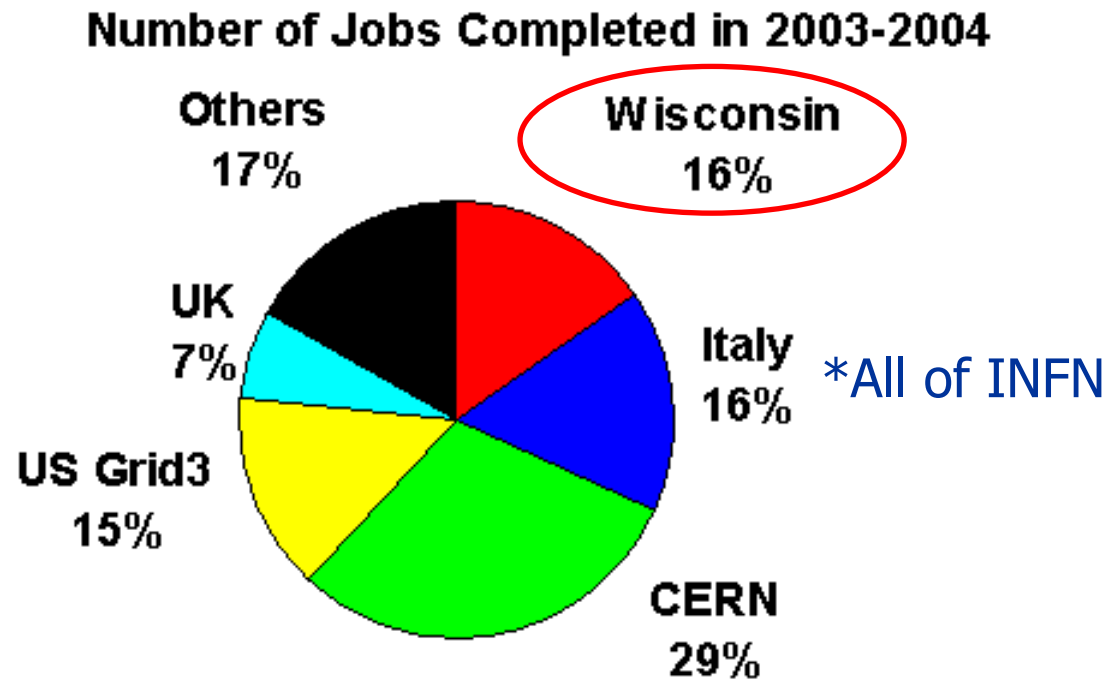
- ORCA - Digitization
 - ◆ Vanilla Universe only (no checkpointing)
- IO Intensive
 - ◆ Used Fermilab/DESY dCache system
 - ◆ Automatic replication of frequently accessed "pileup" events

2004 production



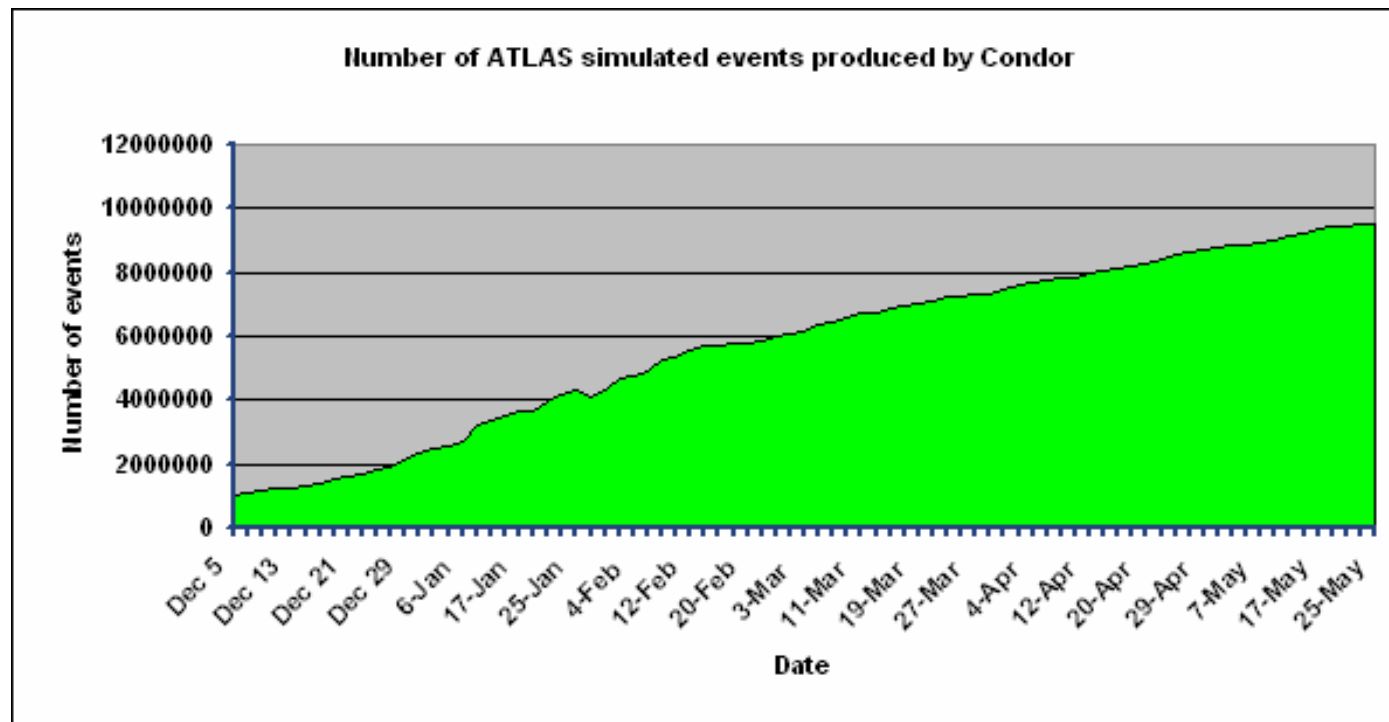
CMS Work Done on Condor/GLOW

- UW Condor/GLOW was top source for CMS production
 - ◆ Largest single institution excluding DC04 DST production at CERN



ATLAS Simulations at GLOW

~9.5M events generated in 2004





MGRID at Michigan

➤ MGRID

- ◆ Michigan Grid Research and Infrastructure Development
- ◆ Develop, deploy, and sustain an institutional grid at Michigan
- ◆ Group started in 2002 with initial U Michigan funding

➤ Many groups across the University participate

- ◆ Compute/data/network-intensive research grants
- ◆ ATLAS, NPACI, NEESGrid, Visible Human, NFSv4, NMI

<http://www.mgrid.umich.edu>



MGRID Center

- Central core of technical staff (3FTEs, new hires)
- Faculty and staff from participating units
- Exec. committee from participating units & provost office
- Collaborative grid research and development with technical staff from participating units



MGrid Research Project Partners

- College of LS&A (Physics) (www.lsa.umich.edu)
- Center for Information Technology Intergration (www.citi.umich.edu)
- Michigan Center for BioInformatics(www.ctaalliance.org)
- Visible Human Project (vhp.med.umich.edu)
- Center for Advanced Computing (cac.engin.umich.edu)
- Mental Health Research Institute (www.med.umich.edu/mhri)
- ITCom (www.itcom.itd.umich.edu)
- School of Information (si.umich.edu)

MGRID: Goals

- For participating units
 - ◆ Knowledge, support and framework for deploying Grid technologies
 - ◆ Exploitation of Grid resources both on campus and beyond
 - ◆ A context for the University to invest in computing resources
- Provide test bench for existing, emerging Grid technologies
- Coordinate activities within the national Grid community
 - ◆ GGF, GlobusWorld, etc
- Make significant contributions to general grid problems
 - ◆ Sharing resources among multiple VOs
 - ◆ Network monitoring and QoS issues for grids
 - ◆ Integration of middleware with domain specific applications
 - ◆ Grid filesystems



MGRID Authentication

- Developed a KX509 module that bridges two technologies
 - ◆ Globus public key cryptography (X509 certificates)
 - ◆ UM Kerberos user authentication
- MGRID provides step-by-step instructions on web site
 - ◆ "How to Grid-Enable Your Browser"



MGRID Authorization

- MGRID uses Walden: fine-grained authorization engine
 - ◆ Leveraging open-source XACML implementation from Sun
- Walden allows interesting granularity of authorization
 - ◆ Definition of authorization user groups
 - ◆ Each group has a different level of authority to run a job
 - ◆ Authority level depends on conditions (job queue, time of day, CPU load, ...)
- Resource owners still have complete control over user membership within these groups



MFRID Authorization Groups

- Authorization groups defined through UM Online Directory, or via MGRID Directory for external users

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more choices

[logout](#)

not bound: click 'bind' to make changes

mgrid-access-one, User Groups, Groups

Also Known As:
mgrid-access-one


Description:
Access to MGRID clusters

More Info (URL):
[MGRID Home Page](#)

University Members:
[abose,People](#) - Abhijit Bose
[adboyd,People](#) - Andrew Dallas Boyd
[admorten,People](#) - Andrew David Mortensen
[aglo,People](#) - Olga Kornievskaia
[andros,People](#) - William A Adamson
[annaose,People](#) - Anna Vladimir Osepayshvili
[bkirsch,People](#) - Beth A Kirschner



MGRID Job Portal

 Exit

My Workspace **Bioinformatics**


My Workspace : MGRID Job Submission

Job name	<input type="text"/>	Email	<input type="text"/>
Cluster name	MacOSX_cluster ▾	Walltime	<input type="text"/>
Queue	<input type="text"/>	Job Count	<input type="text"/>
Executable	/bin/uname	Standard Output File	<input type="text"/>
Arguments	-a	Standard Error File	<input type="text"/>
Run Interactive?	<input type="checkbox"/>		

Users Present
Jim Irer

MGRID Job Status

CREATING A SHARED
CYBERINFRASTRUCTURE
FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN



HOME <

ABOUT MGRID

PROJECTS

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Job status as of Thu May 5 05, 3:26:00 PM

chi Total CPUs: 256 Sched Version: : 1.A

Queue Name	Total Jobs	Priority	Running Jobs	Waiting Jobs	Est. Wait Time
cac	25	3	12	13	120
test	25	3	12	13	120
short	25	3	12	13	120

umrocks Total CPUs: 256 Sched Version: : 2-B

Queue Name	Total Jobs	Priority	Running Jobs	Waiting Jobs	Est. Wait Time
cac	25	3	12	13	120
atlas	25	1	12	13	120

morpheus Total CPUs: 768 Sched Version: : 3C

Queue Name	Total Jobs	Priority	Running Jobs	Waiting Jobs	Est. Wait Time
mgrid	25	3	12	13	120
long	25	1	12	13	120
medium	15	2	5	10	220



MGRID File Upload/Download

New Tab CHEF (dev-local): : MGRID Uploa...

MGRID FTP

Schedule

Profile

Grid Cert Info

Membership

Users Present
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NFS File Download: from MGRID to your computer

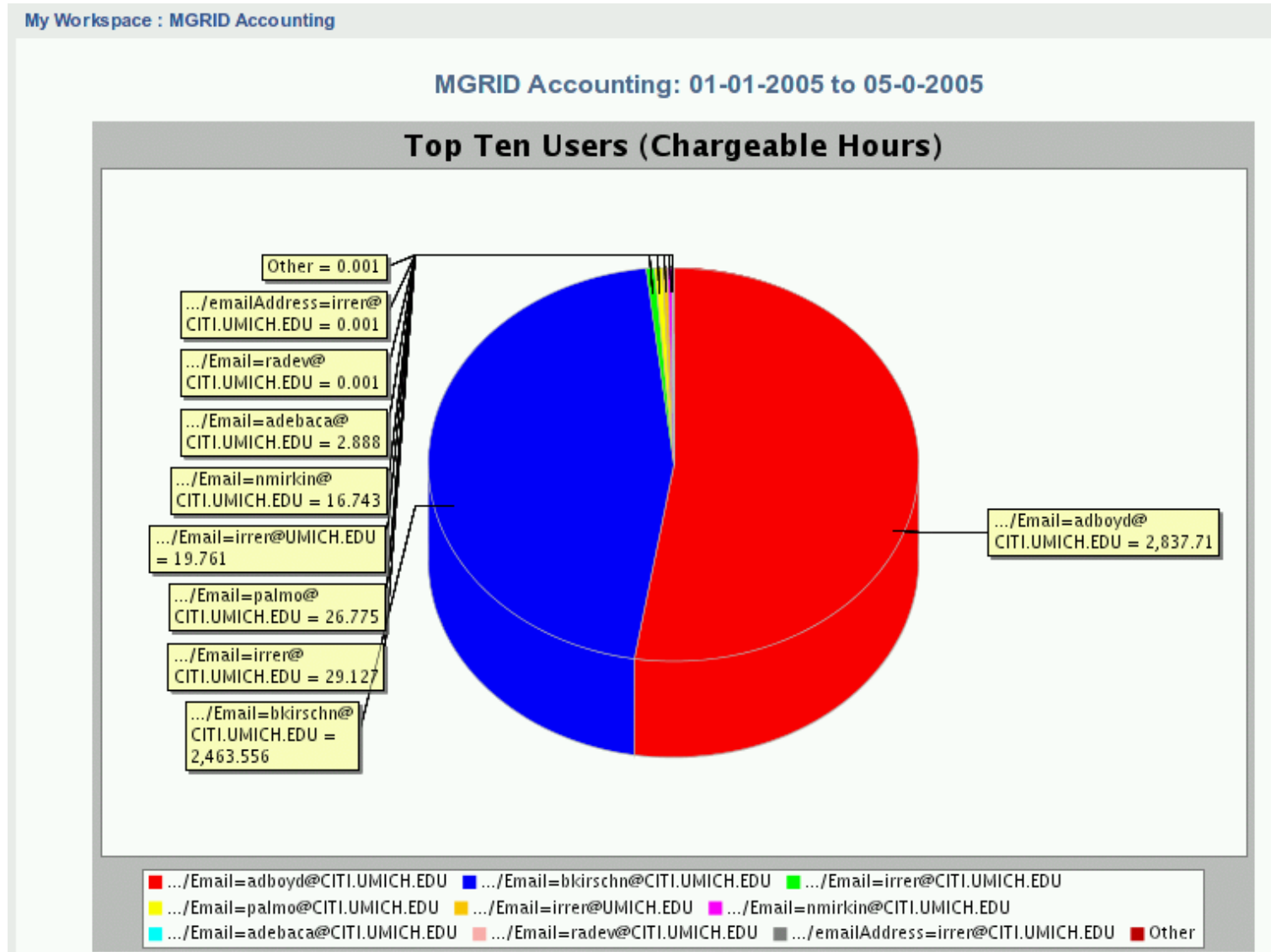
Host name

Remote file(s) to download:

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<input type="checkbox"/>	stdout-pbs	330b	Sep 17, 2004 2:35:20 PM
<input type="checkbox"/>	stderr-pbs	0b	Sep 17, 2004 1:32:42 PM
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<input type="checkbox"/>	testDir		Feb 2, 2005 4:12:51 PM
<input type="checkbox"/>	many.err	0b	Feb 2, 2005 4:13:59 PM
<input type="checkbox"/>	many.out	528b	Feb 2, 2005 4:13:59 PM
<input type="checkbox"/>	gridftp.jpg	146.0Kb	Feb 16, 2005 1:28:50 AM

Note: Files will be compressed for download

Major MGRID Users (Example)





University of Florida Research Grid

- High Performance Computing Committee: April 2001
 - ◆ Created by Provost & VP for Research
 - ◆ Currently has 16 members from around campus
- Study in 2001-2002
 - ◆ **UF Strength:** Faculty expertise and reputation in HPC
 - ◆ **UF Weakness:** Infrastructure lags well behind AAU public peers
- Major focus
 - ◆ Create **campus Research Grid** with HPC Center as kernel
 - ◆ Expand research in HPC-enabled applications areas
 - ◆ Expand research in HPC infrastructure research
 - ◆ Enable new collaborations, visibility, external funding, etc.

<http://www.hpc.ufl.edu/CampusGrid/>



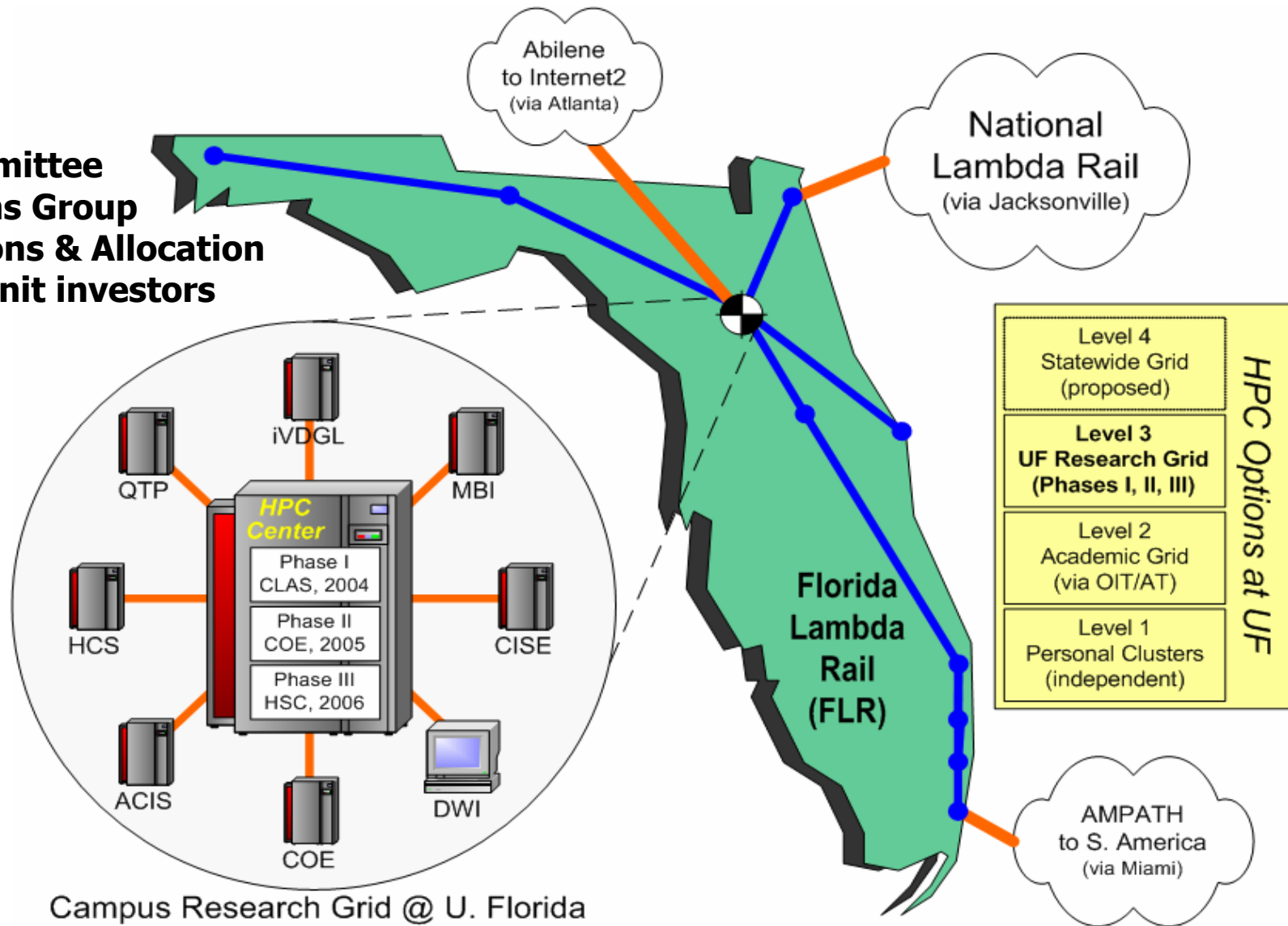
UF Grid Strategy

- A campus-wide, distributed HPC facility
 - ◆ Multiple facilities, organization, resource sharing
 - ◆ Staff, seminars, training
- Faculty-led, research-driven, investor-oriented approach
 - ◆ With administrative cost-matching & buy-in by key vendors
- Build basis for new multidisciplinary collaborations in HPC
 - ◆ HPC as a key common denominator for multidisciplinary research
- Expand research opportunities for broad range of faculty
 - ◆ Including those already HPC-savvy and those new to HPC
- Build HPC Grid facility in 3 phases
 - ◆ Phase I: Investment by College of Arts & Sciences (in operation)
 - ◆ Phase II: Investment by College of Engineering (in development)
 - ◆ Phase III: Investment by Health Science Center (in 2006)

UF HPC Center and Research Grid

Oversight

- HPC Committee
- Operations Group
- Applications & Allocation
- Faculty/unit investors





Phase I (Coll. of Arts & Sciences Focus)

- Physics
 - ◆ \$200K for equipment investment
- College of Arts and Sciences
 - ◆ \$100K for equipment investment, \$70K/yr systems engineer
- Provost's office
 - ◆ \$300K matching for equipment investment
 - ◆ ~\$80K/yr Sr. HPC systems engineer
 - ◆ ~\$75K for physics computer room renovation
 - ◆ ~\$10K for an open account for various HPC Center supplies
- Now deployed (see next slides)

Phase I Facility (Fall 2004)

- 200-node cluster of dual-Xeon machines
 - ◆ 192 compute nodes (dual 2.8 GHz, 2GB memory, 74 GB disk)
 - ◆ 8 I/O nodes (32 of storage in SCSI RAID)
 - ◆ Tape unit for some backup
 - ◆ 3 years of hardware maintenance
- 1.325 TFLOPS (#221 on Top500)





Phase I HPC Use

- Early period (2-3 months) of severe underuse
 - ◆ Not “discovered”
 - ◆ Lack of documentation
 - ◆ Need for early adopters
- Currently enjoying high level of use (> 90%)
 - ◆ CMS production simulations
 - ◆ Other Physics
 - ◆ Quantum Chemistry
 - ◆ Other chemistry
 - ◆ Health sciences
 - ◆ Several engineering apps



Phase I HPC Use (cont)

- **Still primitive, in many respects**
 - ◆ Insufficient monitoring & display
 - ◆ No accounting yet
 - ◆ Few services (compared to Condor, MGRID)
- **Job portals**
 - ◆ PBS is currently main job portal
 - ◆ New In-VIGO portal being developed (<http://invigo.acis.ufl.edu/>)
 - ◆ Working with TACC (Univ. of Texas) to deploy GridPort
- **Plan to leverage tools & services from others**
 - ◆ Other campuses: GLOW, MGRID, TACC, Buffalo
 - ◆ Open Science Grid



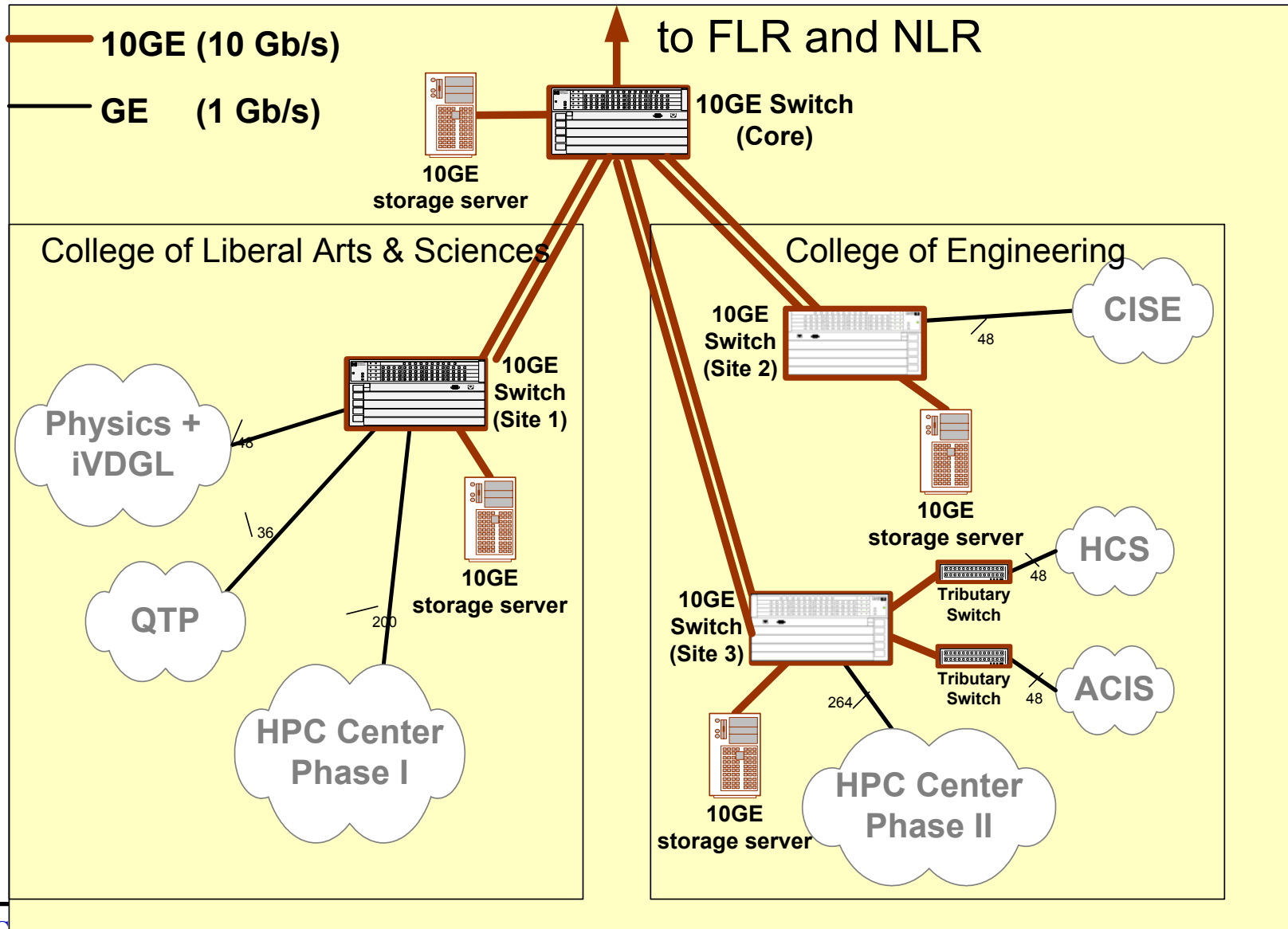
New HPC Resources

- Recent NSF/MRI proposal for networking infrastructure
 - ◆ \$600K: 20 Gb/s network backbone
 - ◆ High performance storage (distributed)
- Recent funding of UltraLight and DISUN proposals
 - ◆ UltraLight (\$700K): Advanced uses for optical networks
 - ◆ DISUN (\$2.5M): CMS, bring advanced IT to other sciences
- Special vendor relationships
 - ◆ Dell, Cisco, Ammasso



UF Research Network (20 Gb/s)

Funded by NSF-MRI grant





Resource Allocation Strategy

- Faculty/unit investors are first preference
 - ◆ Top-priority access commensurate with level of investment
 - ◆ Shared access to all available resources
- Cost-matching by administration offers many benefits
 - ◆ Key resources beyond computation (storage, networks, facilities)
 - ◆ Support for broader user base than simply faculty investors
- Economy of scale advantages with broad HPC Initiative
 - ◆ HPC vendor competition, strategic relationship, major discounts
 - ◆ Facilities savings (computer room space, power, cooling, staff)



Phase II (Engineering Focus)

- Funds being collected now from Engineering faculty
 - ◆ Electrical and Computer Engineering
 - ◆ Mechanical Engineering
 - ◆ Material Sciences
 - ◆ Chemical Engineering (possible)
- Matching funds (including machine room & renovations)
 - ◆ Engineering departments
 - ◆ College of Engineering
 - ◆ Provost
- Equipment expected in Phase II facility (Fall 2005)
 - ◆ ~400 dual nodes
 - ◆ ~100 TB disk
 - ◆ High-speed switching fabric
 - ◆ (20 Gb/s network backbone)



Phase III (Health Sciences Focus)

- Planning committee formed by HSC in Dec '04
 - ◆ Submitting recommendations to HSC administration in May
- Defining HPC needs of Health Science
 - ◆ Not only computation; heavy needs in comm. and storage
 - ◆ Need support with HPC applications development and use
- Optimistic for major investments in 2006
 - ◆ Phase I success & use by Health Sciences are major motivators
 - ◆ Process will start in Fall 2005, before Phase II complete