Cyberinfrastructure Days

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Why CI Days?

- Cyberinfrastructure (CI) is playing an increasingly important role in the academic community
- There are many groups involved in the use and providing of services of Cyberinfrastructure
- CI Days brings these groups together to start and ongoing communication about the CI needs and roles

The Nature of Research Today

- Discipline groups working on a common project.
- The groups are made of researchers from multiple institutions.
- They use CI in support of these Virtual Organizations (VOs)

New NSF Proposal Requirement

On or around October, 2010, NSF is planning to require that all proposals include a

Data Management Plan

in the form of a two-page supplementary document

http://www.nsf.gov/news/news_summ.jsp?cntn_id=116928

Teaching is Changing Too

Network Based Multimedia Resources
Real-time Communications with Class
Multiple Location Classes
Online Classes
Team Teaching

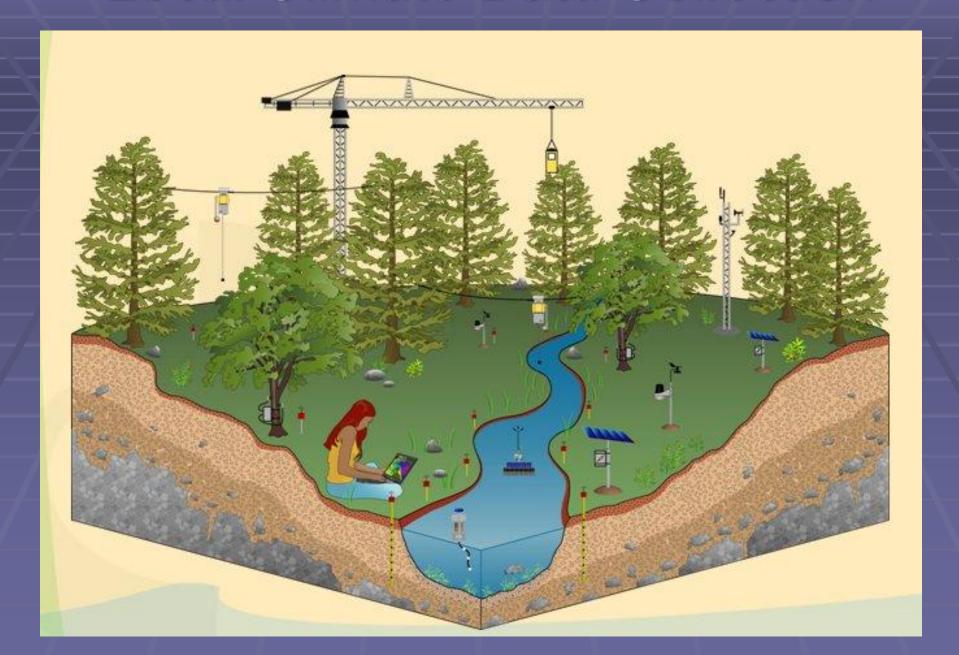
CI in Administration

 New CI tools and resources are being integrated into administrative Information Technology

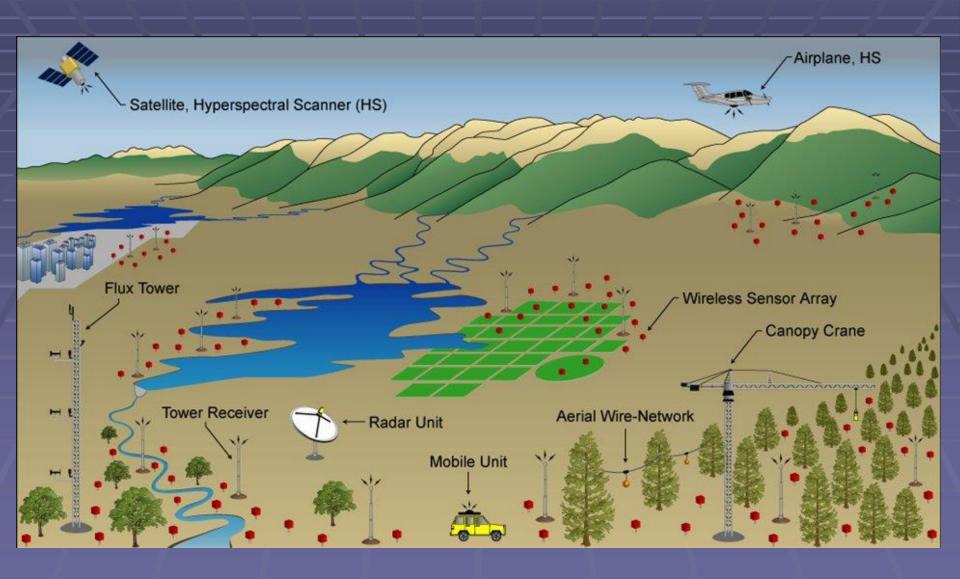
Example Researcher using CI

Jane is an environmental researcher and is going to find a solution to Global Warming. To do this she needs to collect and store data, do analysis of the data and run some simulation models to test her hypothesis. She will share ideas, data and results with her Discipline Group. Here are her steps in using CI

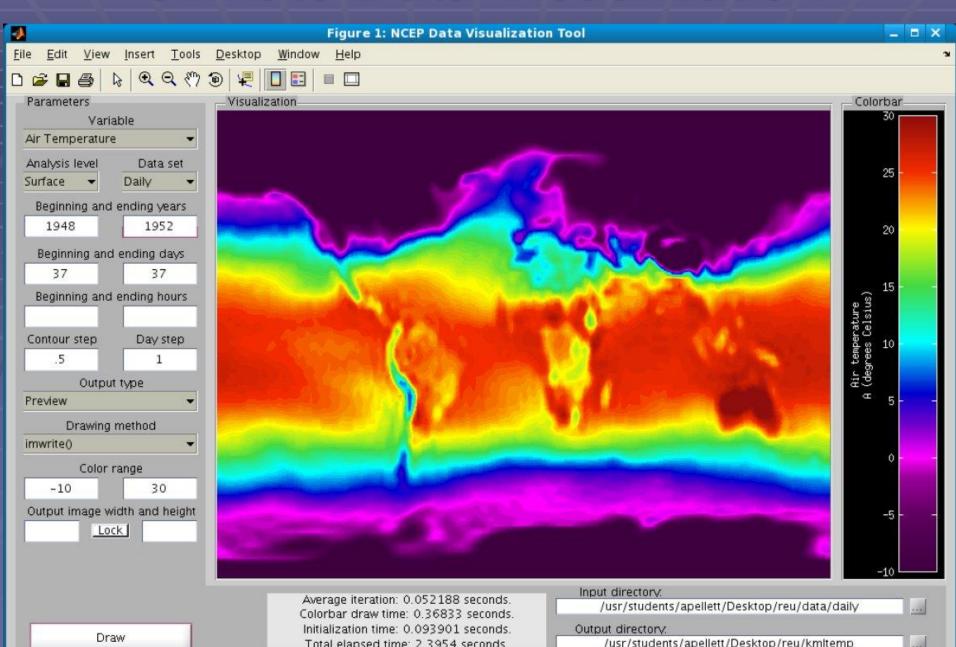
Local Climate Data Collection



Global Climate Data Collection



Climate Data Visualization

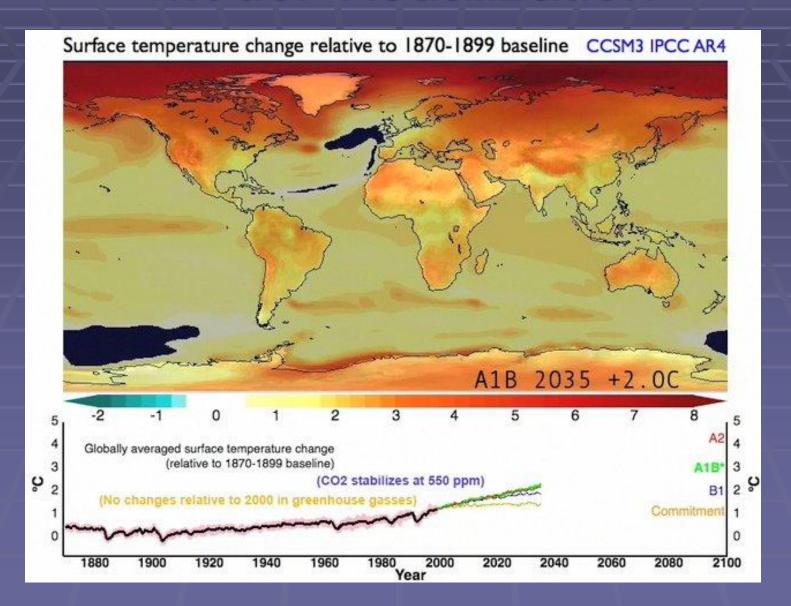


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Climate Modeling



Model Visualization



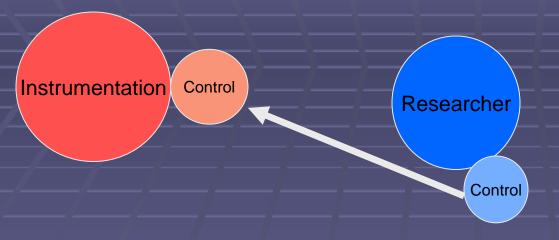
Collaboration



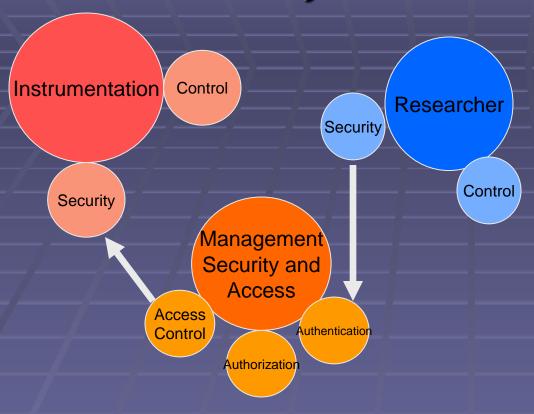
What is Under the CI Hood?

- Someday you will tell a car where to go and it will take you there
- We aren't there yet
- You currently need to know that that a car has an engine, brakes, fuel system, etc
- Likewise with CI, you don't have to know all the details, but it is good to know about the parts
- Let's look at what Jane uses

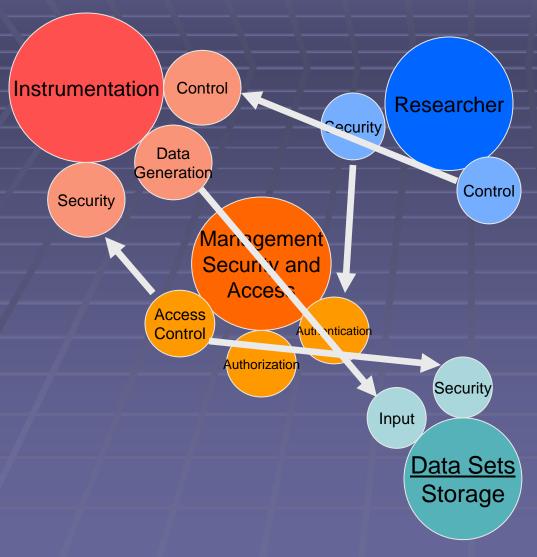
Control Instruments to Gather Data



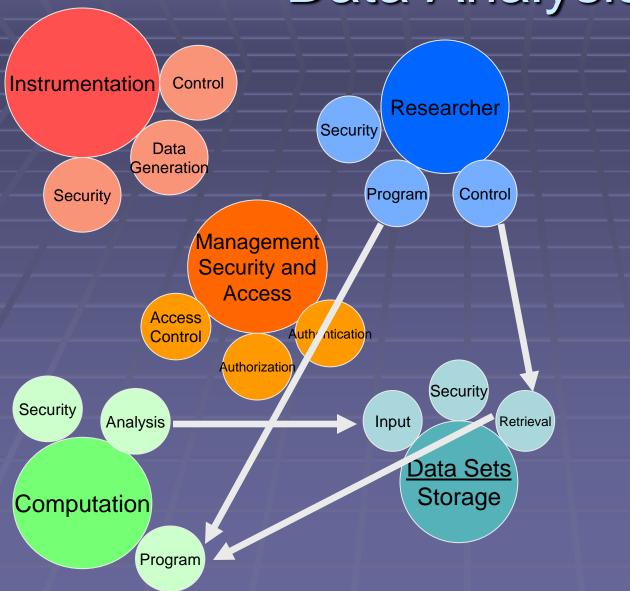
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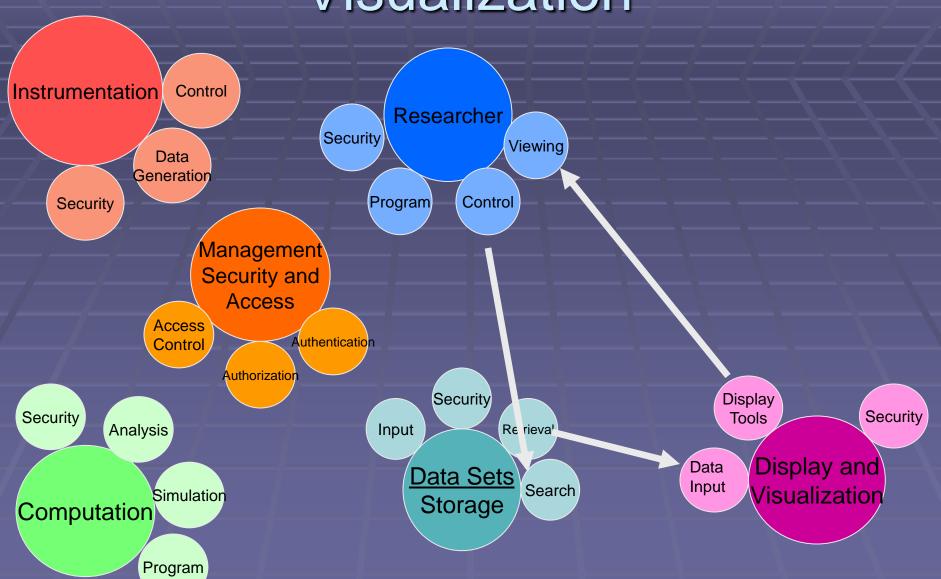
Data Transfer and Storage



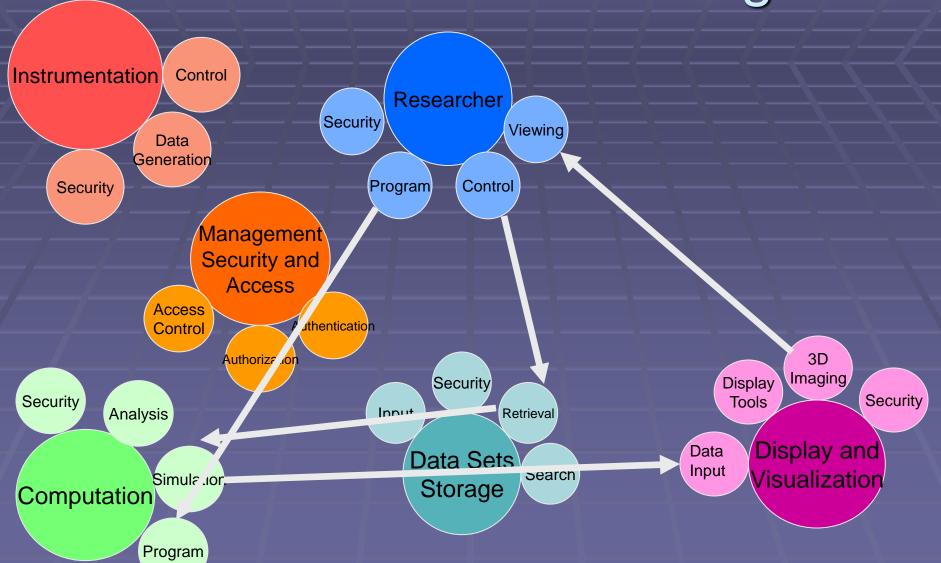
Data Analysis



Visualization

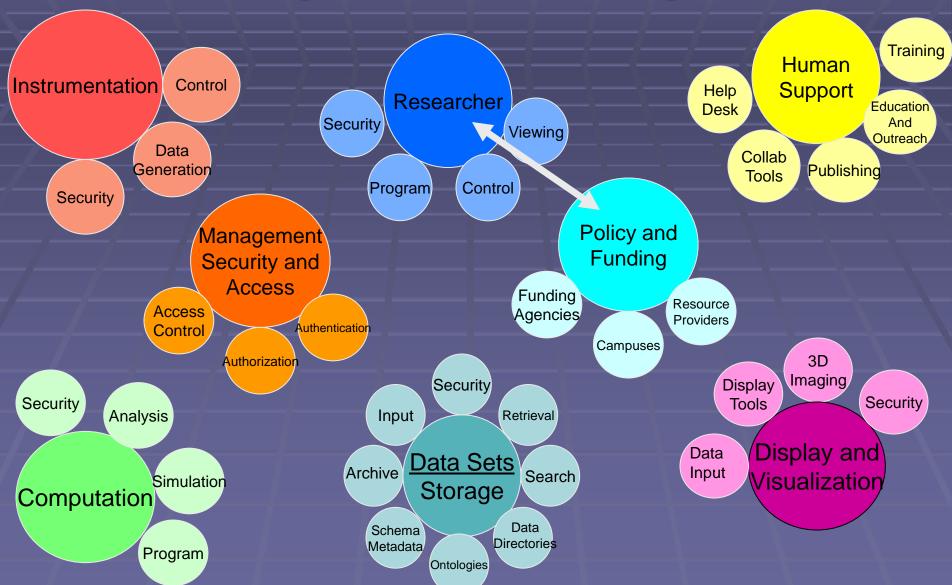


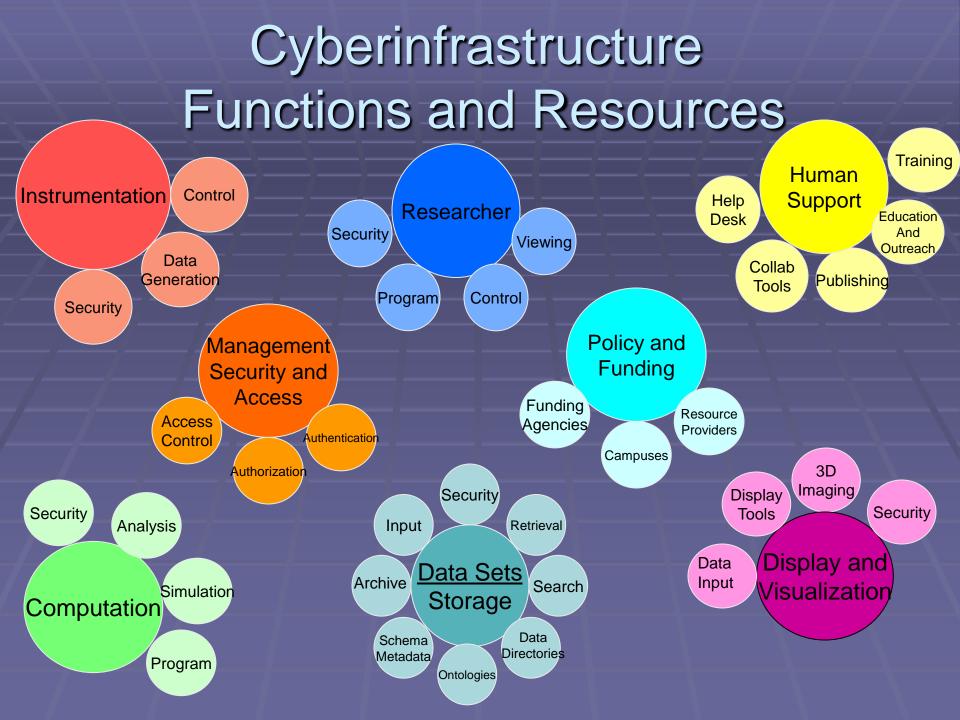
Simulation and Viewing



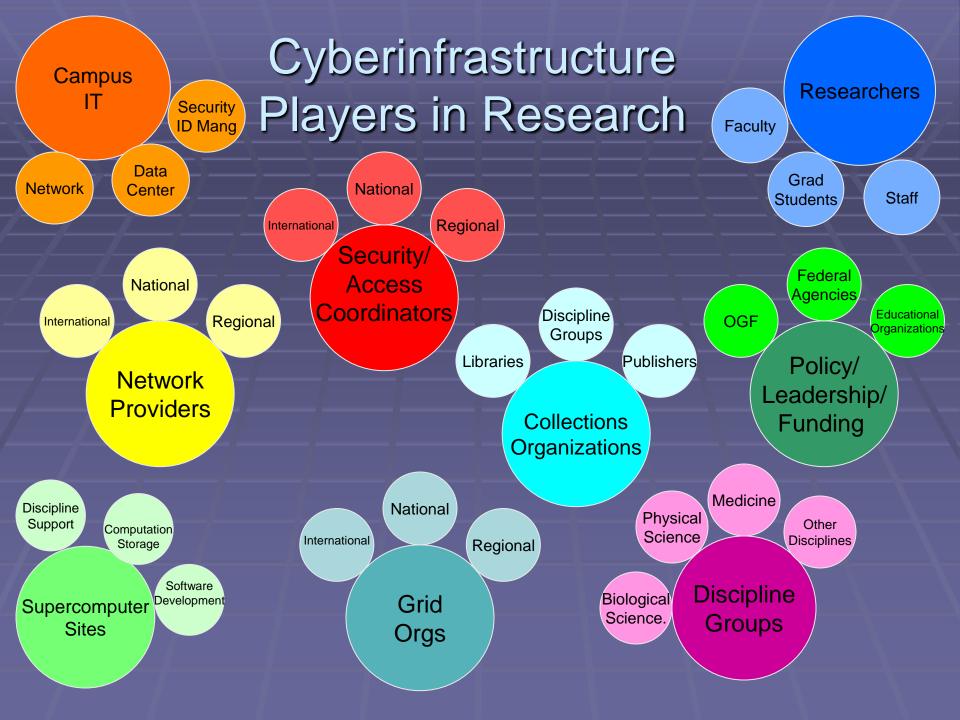


Jane goes after new grant

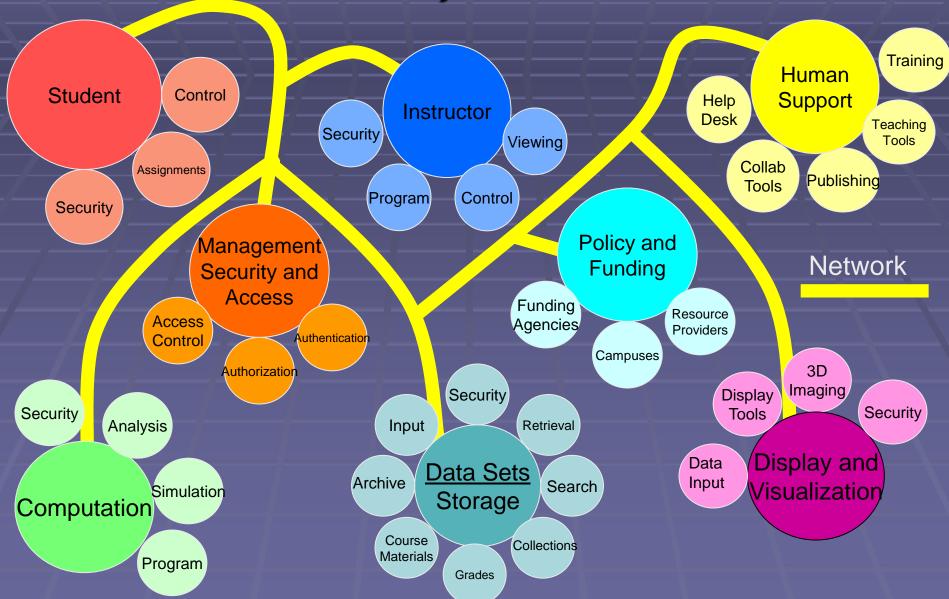




The Network is the Backplane for the Distributed CI Computer **Training** Human Instrumentation Control Support Help Researcher Education Desk Security And Viewing Outreach Data Collab **Publishing** Generation **Tools Program** Control Security Policy and Management Network **Funding** Security and Access Funding Resource Access Agencies **Providers** Authentication Control Campuses Authorization 3D **Imaging** Display Security Security Security **Tools Analysis** Input Retrieval Display and Data Data Sets Archive Input Search Visualization Simulation Storage Computation Data Schema Directories Metadata Program Ontologies



Other Ways to Look at CI

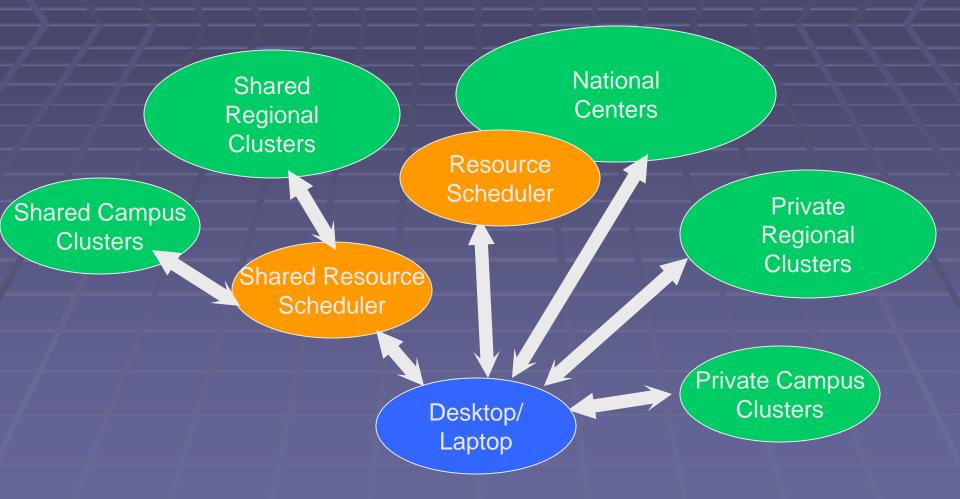


The Research and Educational Networks

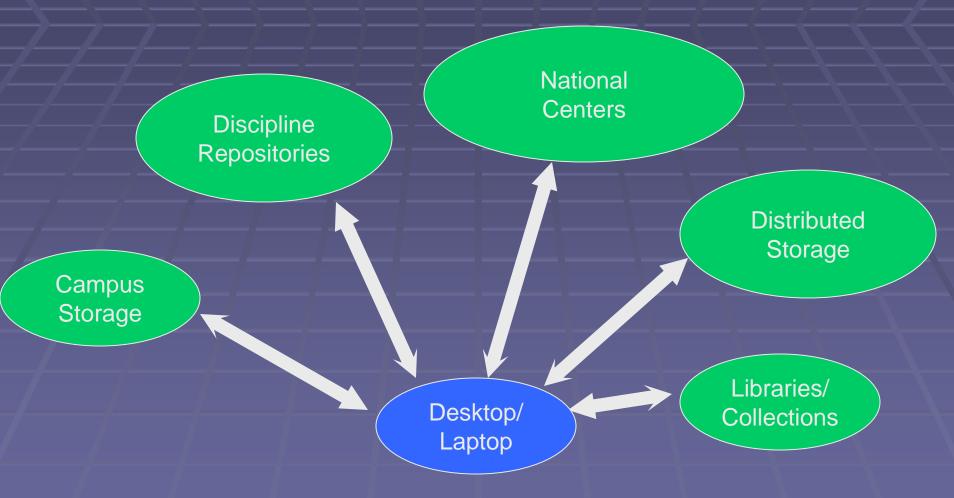
International **Networks National** Backbones Regional Regional Network Network Campus Campus Network Network Desktop/ Desktop/ Laptop

Laptop

Computational Resources



Storage Resources



Pulling it all together

- Gateways
- Common Software
- Common Data Formats and Schema
- Performance and Monitoring Tools ... and a lot more!

Russ' CI Vision

Set of tools and resources that allow:

- Computation and Storage to easily allow transition from the desktop, to the campus resource, to the regional center, to national super centers using the same software.
- Data repositories in formats and locations to allow ease of sharing among all interested disciplines (the real digital library!)
- Tools to allow people to easily construct systems to analyze, visualize and simulate their research subjects.
- Collaboration tools that allow people to work together like they are in the same room, even if they aren't.

Discussion

What makes CI hard to use? What could be done to make it easier?

What would make it more useful?

More Info

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