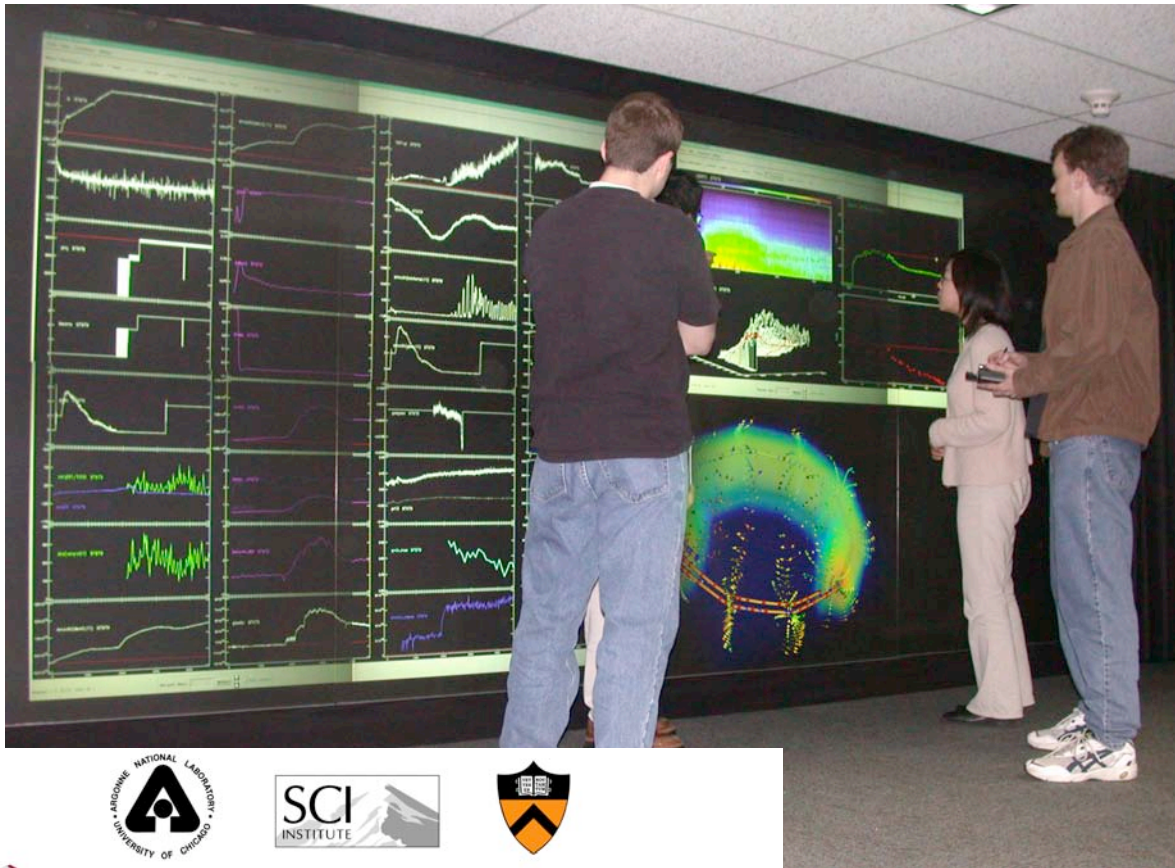


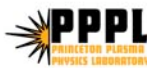
Collaboration For Fusion Science



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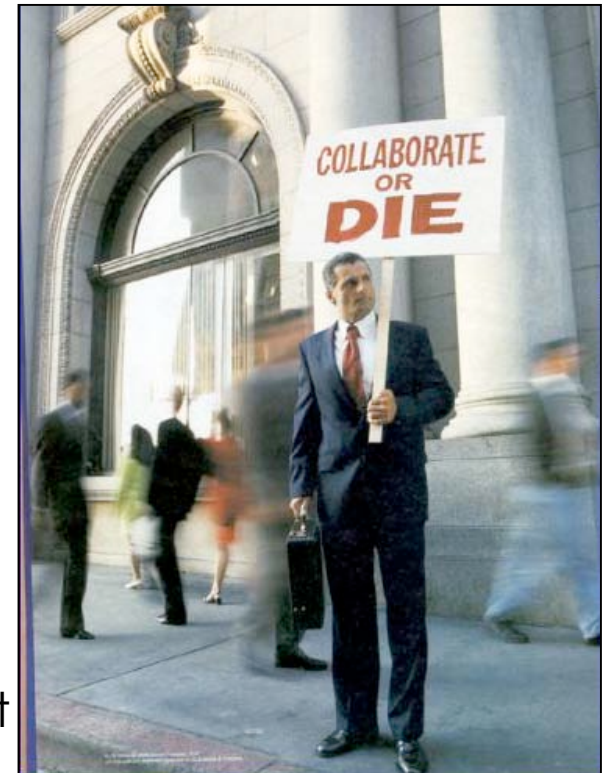


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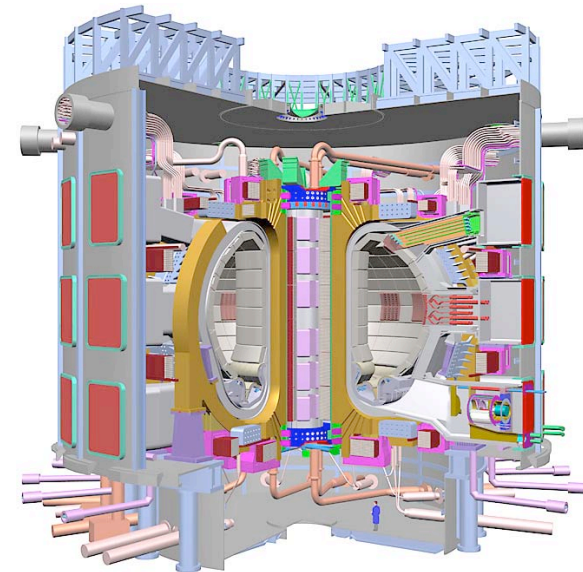
Presentation's Key Points

- **Collaborative technology critical to FES**
 - Fewer larger machines (ITER)
 - A full integrated simulation (FSP)
- **FES scientists are using NCF Project tools**
 - Lead with the science
 - Modifying/creating new software
- **Collaborative technology critical to fully exploit present and future facilities**
 - ITER will not be in the U.S.
 - Supercomputer: real-time experimental support
- **Extend our existing collaborative tools to meet future needs**
 - Both functionality and to the broader international FES community
 - Assist in creating collaborations in other scientific disciplines



Presentation's Outline

- **Motivation for fusion's present and future collaborative needs**
 - Only three large U.S. experimental facilities
 - ITER outside the U.S.; one U.S. integrated simulation code
- **Progress of the National Fusion Collaboratory Project**
 - FusionGrid created for data, computation, human collaboration
 - Some international usage
- **Future needs motivated by lessons learned**
 - Integrated easy to use framework
 - Robust and reliable
- **Expand our usage**
 - South Korea, China, EU, Japan
 - Supercomputer



Fusion Science Today is very much a Team Sport



- 90 institutions participate
- 425 active users
- 317 scientific authors
- Students and faculty from
 - 65 universities
 - 28 states

Active Collaborations 2004

US Labs

- ANL (Argonne, IL)
- LANL (Los Alamos, NM)
- LBL (Berkeley, CA)
- LLNL (Livermore, CA)
- ORNL (Oak Ridge, TN)
- PPPL (Princeton, NJ)
- SNL (Sandia, NM)

Industries

- Calabasas Creek (CA)
- CompX (Del Mar, CA)
- CPI (Palo Alto, CA)
- Digital Finetec (Ventura, CA)
- DRS (Dallas, TX)
- DTI (Bedford, MA)
- FAR Tech (San Diego, CA)
- IOS (Torrance, CA)
- Lodestar (Boulder, CO)
- SAIC (La Jolla, CA)
- Spinner (Germany)
- Tech-X (Boulder, CO)
- Thermacore (Lancaster, PA)
- Tomlab (Willow Creek, CA)
- TSI Research (Solana Beach, CA)

US Universities

- Auburn (Auburn, Alabama)
- Colorado School of Mines (Golden, CO)
- Columbia (New York, NY)
- Georgia Tech (Atlanta, GA)
- Hampton (Hampton, VA)
- Lehigh (Bethlehem, PA)
- Maryland (College Park, MD)
- Mesa College (San Diego, CA)
- MIT (Boston, MA)
- Palomar (San Marcos, CA)
- New York U. (New York, NY)
- SDSU (San Diego, CA)
- Texas (Austin, TX)
- UCB (Berkeley, CA)
- UCI (Irvine, CA)
- UCLA (Los Angeles, CA)
- UCSD (San Diego, CA)
- U. New Mexico (Albuquerque, NM)
- U. Rochester (NY)
- U. Utah (Salt Lake City, UT)
- Washington (Seattle, WA)
- Wisconsin (Madison, WI)

Russia

- Ioffe (St. Petersburg)
- Keldysh (Udmurtia, Moscow)
- Kurchatov (Moscow)
- Moscow State (Moscow)
- St. Petersburg State Poly (St. Petersburg)
- Trinitii (Troitsk)
- Inst. of Applied Physics (Nizhny Novgorod)

European Community

- Cadarache (St. Paul-lez, Durance, France)
- Chalmers U. (Göteborg, Sweden)
- CFN-IST (Lisbon, Portugal)
- CIEMAT (Madrid, Spain)
- Consorzio RFX (Padua, Italy)
- Culham (Culham, Oxfordshire, England)
- EFDA-NET (Garching, Germany)
- Frascati (Frascati, Lazio, Italy)
- FOM (Utrecht, The Netherlands)
- Helsinki U. (Helsinki, Finland)
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- JET-EFDA (Oxfordshire, England)
- KFA (Jülich, Germany)
- Kharkov IPT, (Ukraine)
- Lausanne (Lausanne, Switzerland)
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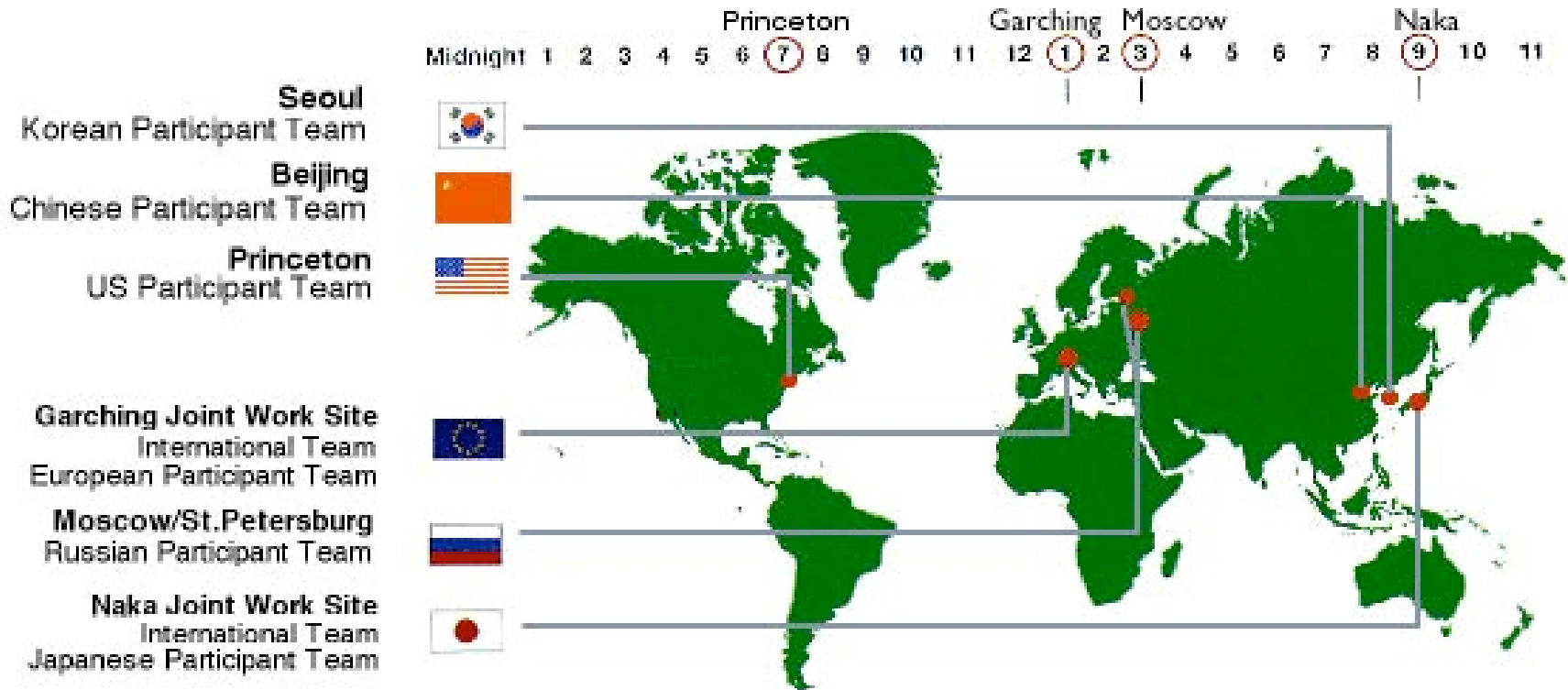
- JAERI (Naka, Ibaraki-ken, Japan)
- JT-60U
- JFT-2M
- Tsukuba University (Tsukuba, Japan)
- NIFS (Toki, Gifu-ken, Japan)
- LHD

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- ASIPP (Hefei, China)
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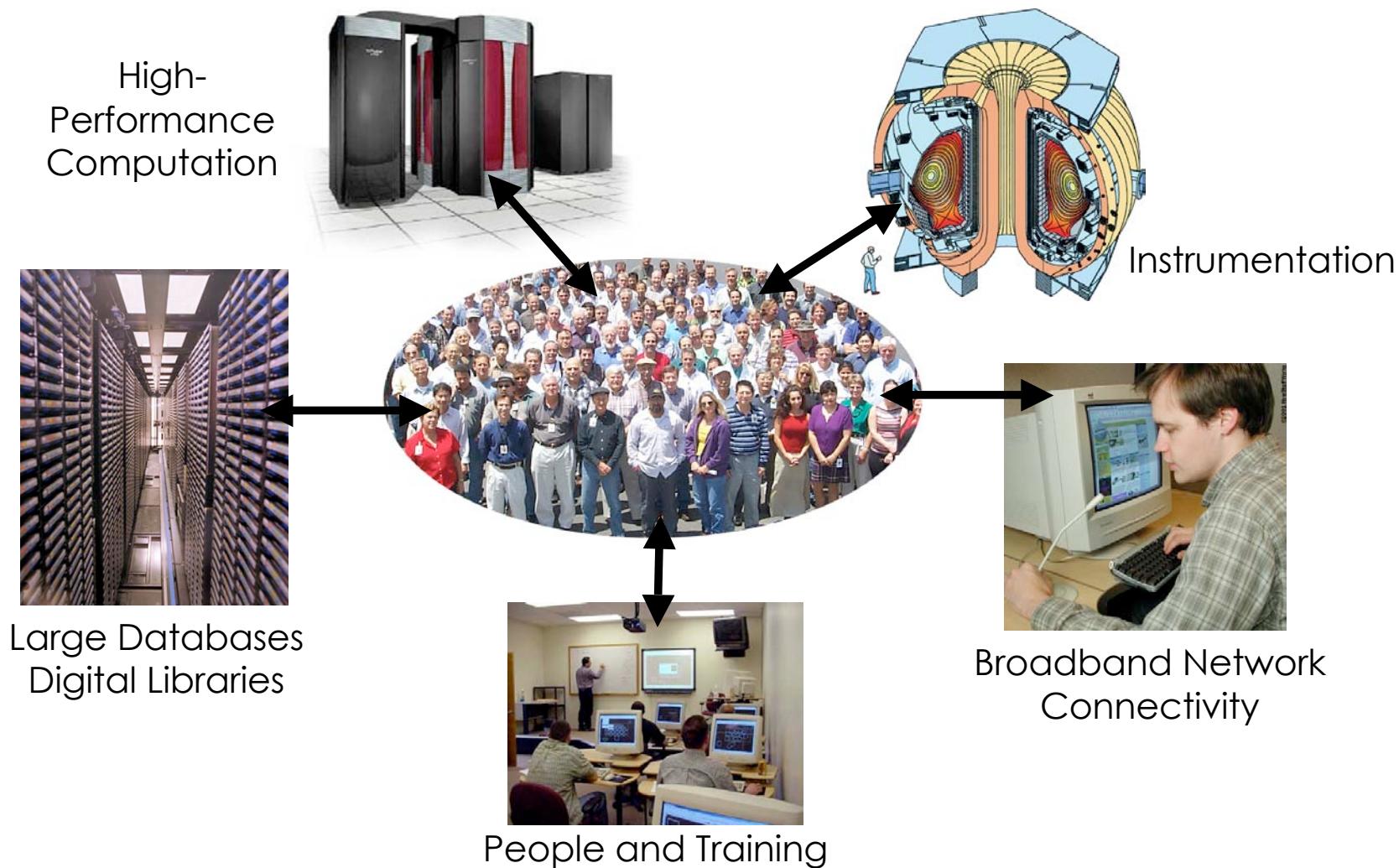
**An Example From
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Fusion Science will continue to be a Team Sport

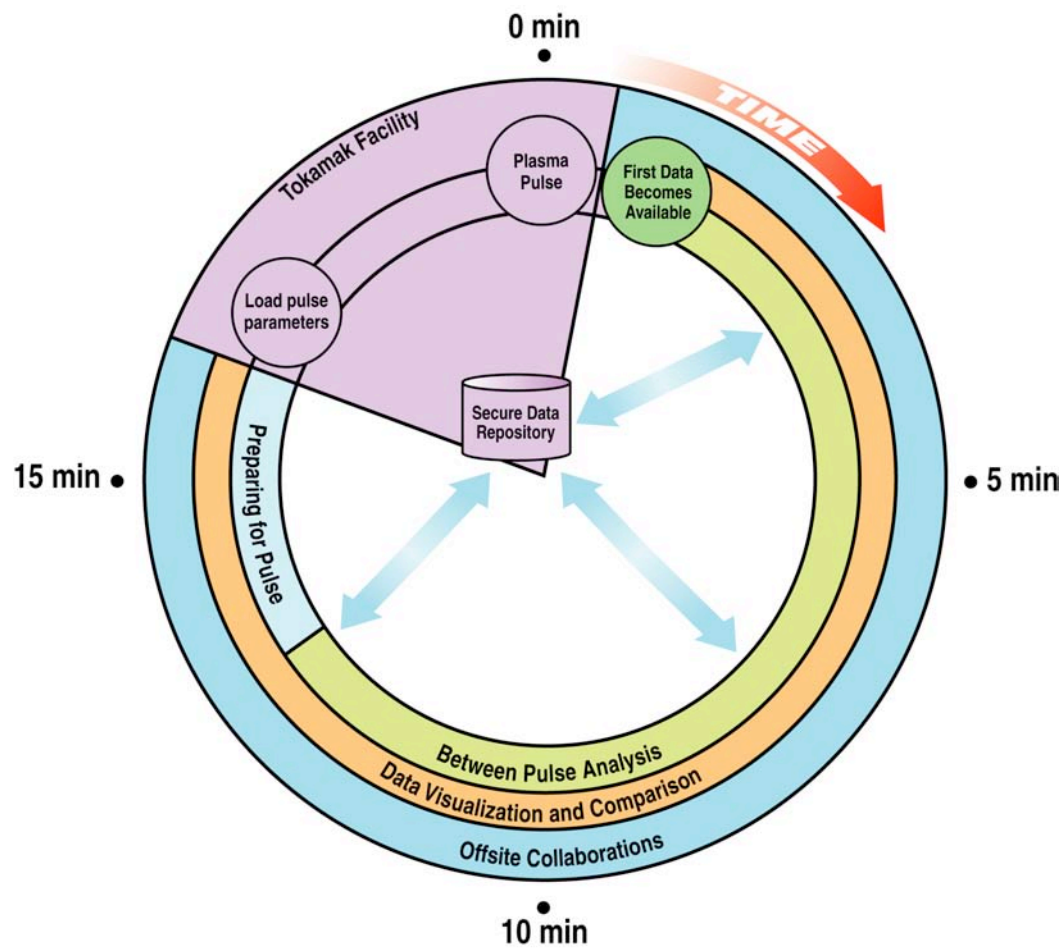


The Six ITER Partners

Assemble Required Expertise & Resources as needed



Experimental Fusion Science is and will continue to be a Very Demanding Real-Time Activity



Placing Distributed Computing Applications on the Wide Area Network Presents Significant Challenges

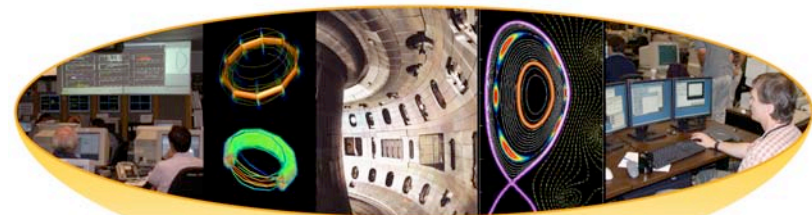
- **Crosses administrative boundaries**
- **Increased security complexity including authentication & authorization**
- **Resources not owned by a single project or program**
- **Distributed control of resources by owners is essential**
- **Needs for end-to-end application performance & problem resolution**
 - Resource monitoring, management & troubleshooting not simple
 - Higher latency challenges network throughput & interactivity
- **People are not in one place for easy communication**

The National Fusion Collaboratory Project

- **Funded by the DOE Office of Advanced Scientific Computing Research**
 - A SciDAC Pilot Collaboratory Project - through FY06
- **Unify distributed MFE research into a U.S. Virtual Organization**

GOALS

- More efficient use of experimental facilities
- Integrate theory & experiment
- Facilitate multi-institution collaboration
- Create standard tool set

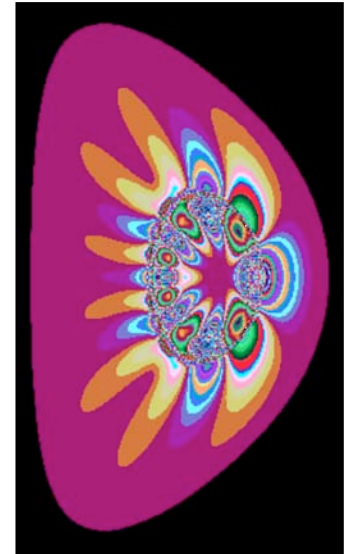


National Fusion Collaboratory



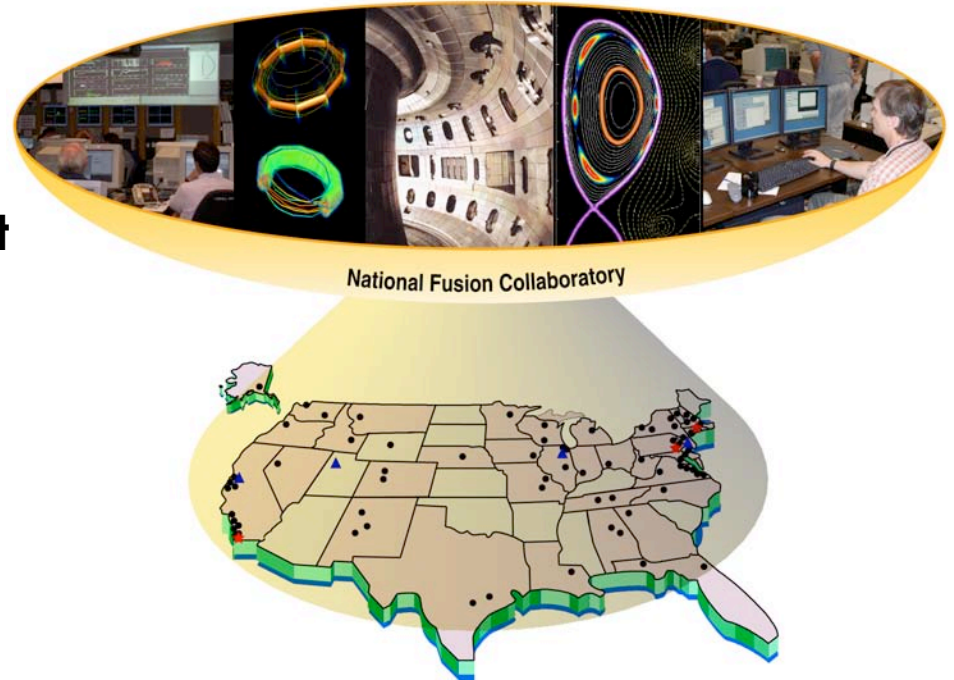
The Vision for the NFC's Technologies: Optimize the Most Expensive Resource – People's Time

- **Data, Codes, Analysis Routines, Visualization Tools should all be thought of as network accessible services**
 - Access is stressed rather than portability
 - Transparency and ease of use are crucial elements
 - Not CPU cycle scavenging or “distributed” supercomputing
- **Shared security infrastructure with distributed authorization and resource management**
 - Ease of use: “security with transparency”
 - X.509 certificates from a trusted Certificate Authority
 - Distributed authorization (ROAM) for stakeholder resource control
- **Collaborative nature of research requires shared visualization applications and widely deployed collaboration technologies**
 - Ease of use: “security with transparency”
 - Integrate geographically diverse groups

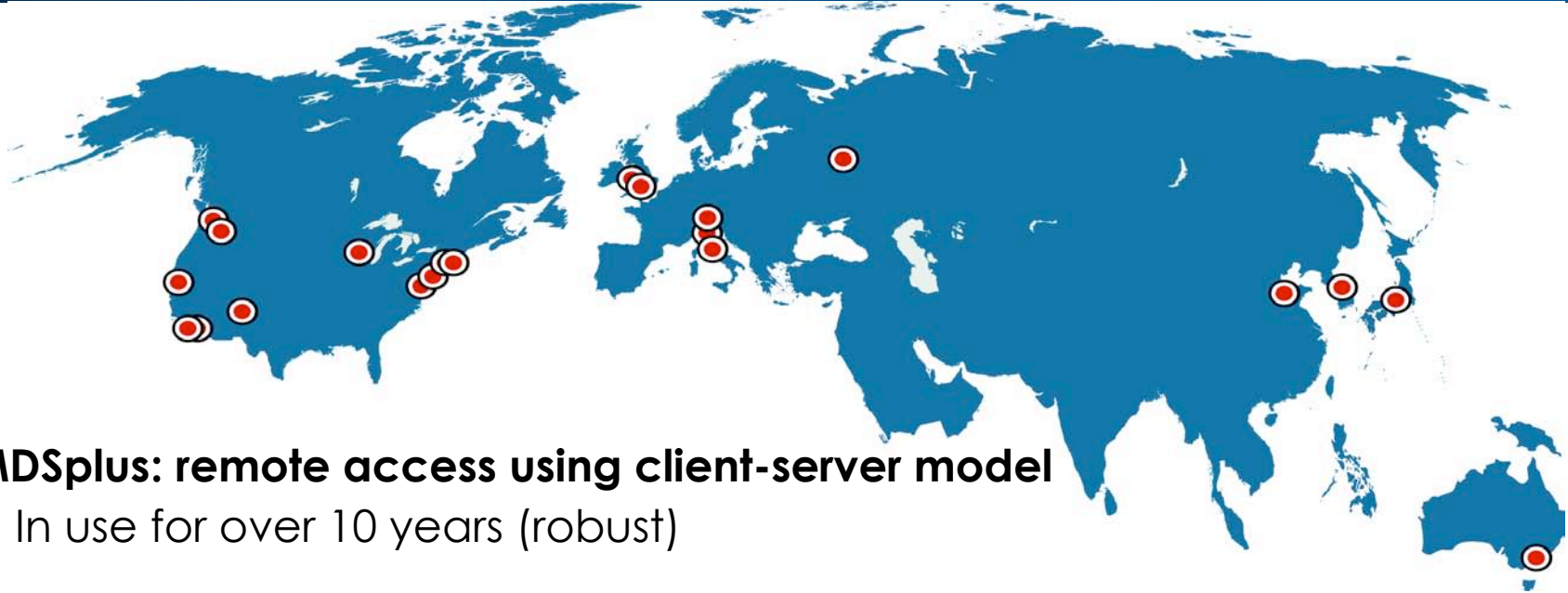


FusionGrid: Secure Access to Resources

- **Authentication: PKI via X.509 certificates**
 - FusionGrid CA
 - FusionGrid RAs (Humans)
- **Centralized certificate management**
 - MyProxy server
 - More secure & easier to use
- **Onetime FusionGrid login**
 - Globus toolkit (GSI & GRAM)
- **Authorization: Customized (ROAM)**
 - All resources call central Policy Decision Point
 - Policy for all resources in a relational database



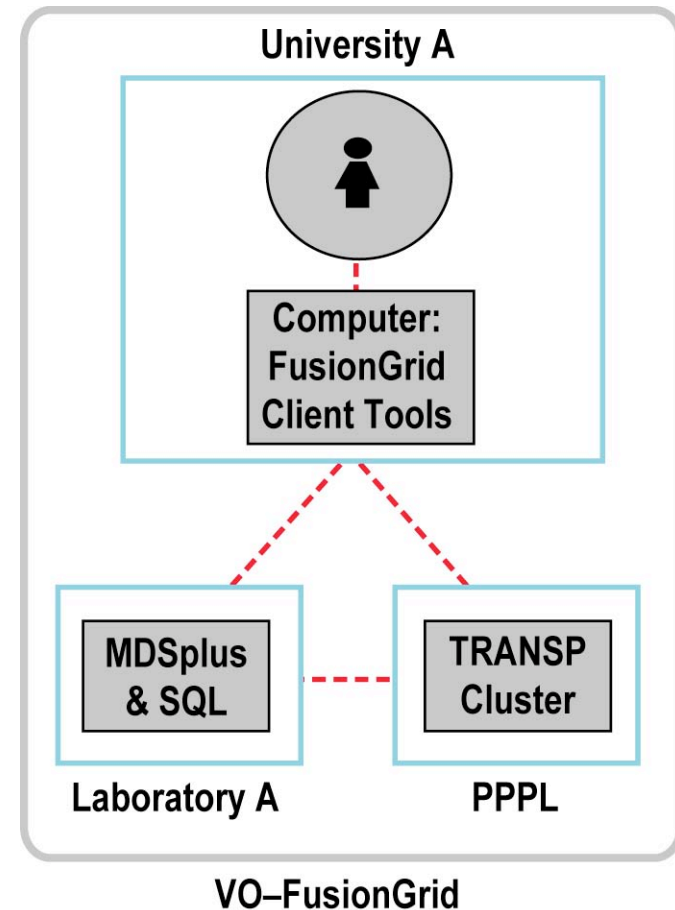
FusionGrid: Secure Access to Fusion Data



- **MDSplus: remote access using client-server model**
 - In use for over 10 years (robust)
- **Wide adoption worldwide**
 - Unified data interface (e.g. Visualization)
- **MDSplus data access now can be secure**
 - FusionGrid authentication (Globus GSI with certs)
 - FusionGrid authorization with ROAM

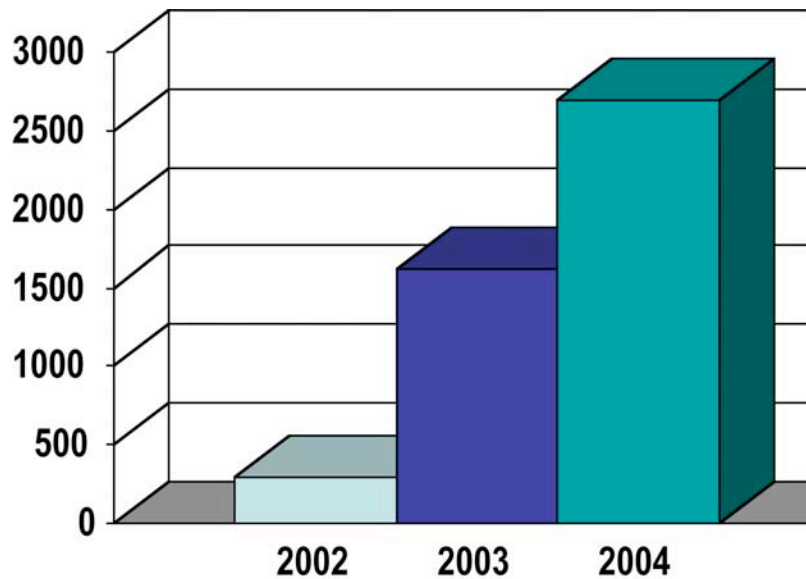
TRANSP: Successful Grid Computing for Fusion Science

- **The U.S. TRANSP Service**
 - 5,800 cases, 35,000 CPU hours
 - 10 fusion experimental machines
- **Centralized expertise for better support**
 - Debugging, maintenance, monitoring
- **Reduced administration work at other labs**
 - Smaller sites to use bigger codes
- **Between shot analysis demonstrated**
- **Model for other codes**
 - GATO released rapidly
 - Algorithm collaboration with Keyes

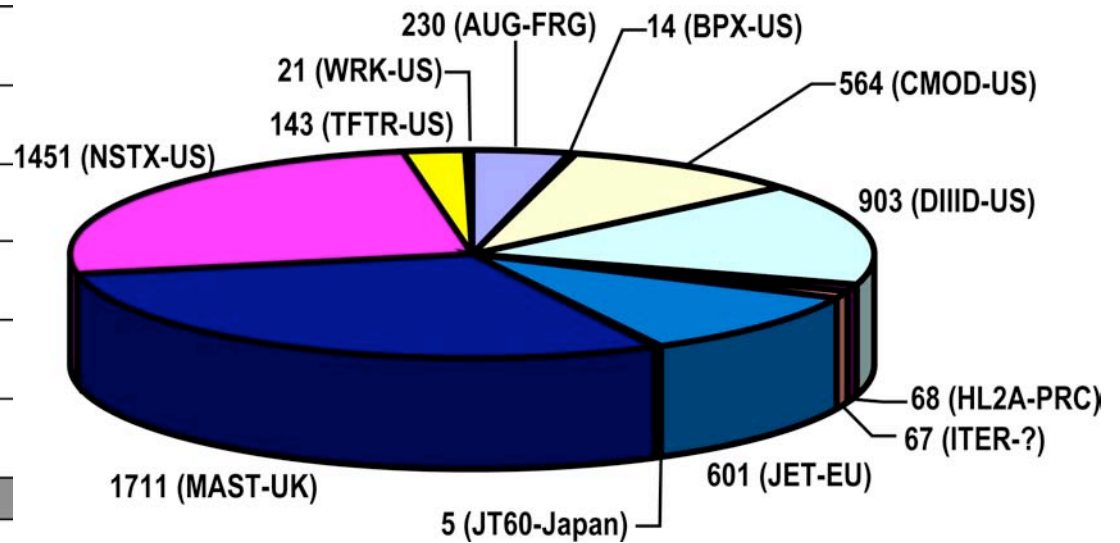


FusionGrid's Usage Continues to Grow

Total TRANSP Runs Per Year



TRANSP Runs In FY 2004



Shared Displays Installed in Fusion Control Rooms

NSTX



DIII-D



C-Mod



Access Grid: Real Time Complex Communication

Scientific Leadership of JET in UK from US



January 2004, San Diego

Remote Participation from JET to DIII-D

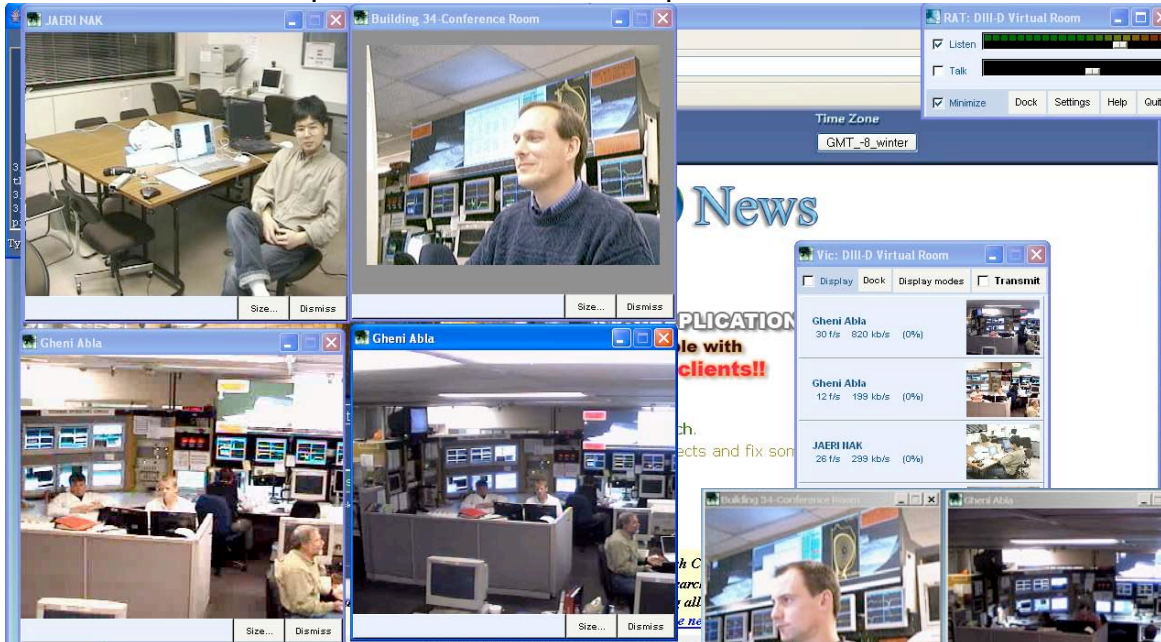


May 2004, DIII-D Tokamak Control Room

- **Being used for seminars, working meetings, tokamak operations**
 - Linux, Windows, and Macintosh OS X; small to large immersive nodes
- **For tokamak operations, the collaborative control room**
 - Software framework: sharing humans data, applications, info

VRVS Being Used For Its Web Based Client

JAERI Participation in DIII-D Experiment March 2005



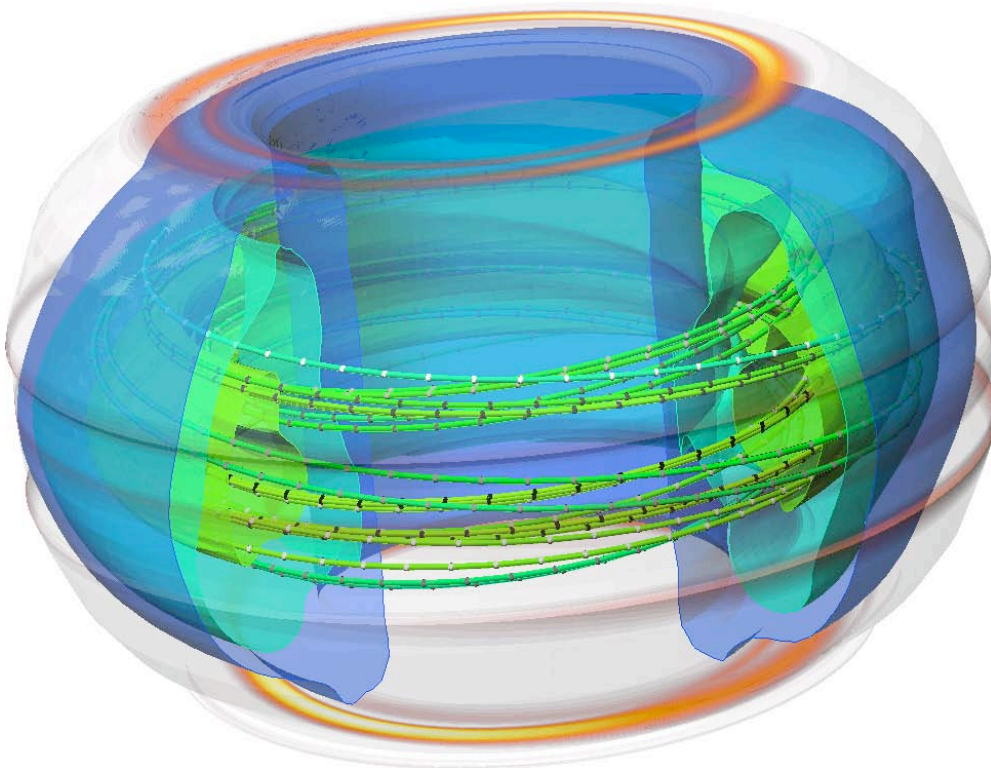
- Closed source model limits customized expansion
- Web client is easy for scientists to get started
 - Since March 9, 2004:
 - 341 unique Users
 - 539 unique computers
 - 3480 total hits

JET Participation in DIII-D Experiment January 2005



SCIRun To Visualize Complex Simulations

- Open source, multi-platform capable for a wide user base
- Facilitate quantitative comparison of simulations & experimental results

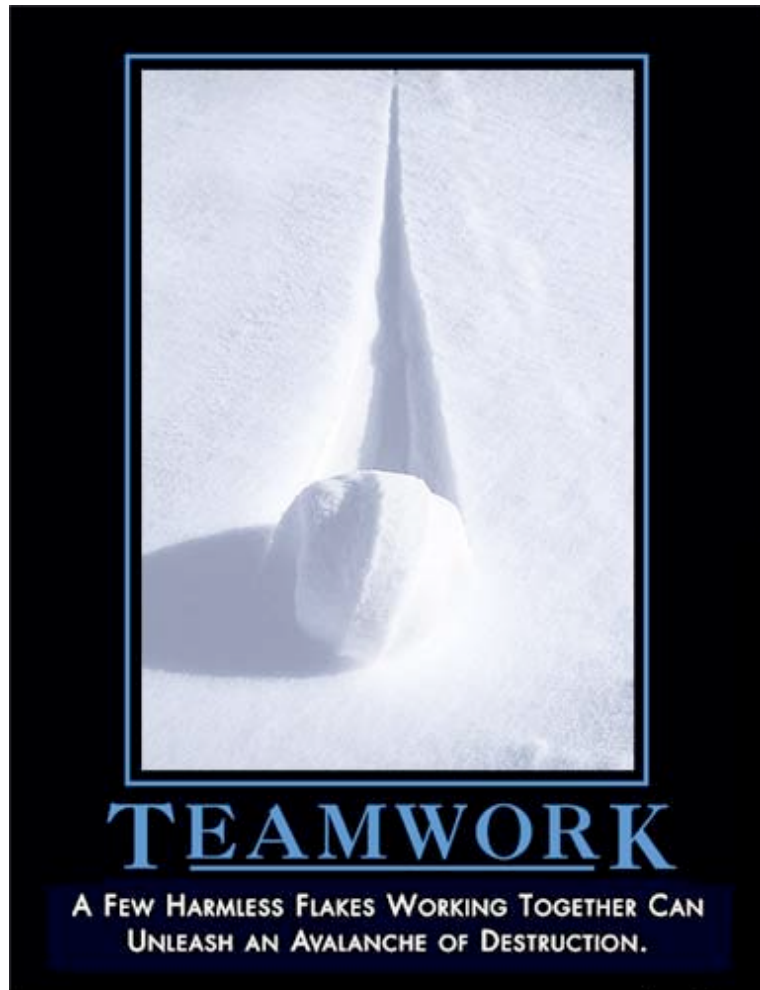


Challenge of large datasets

- MDSplus
- Storage method
- Data location
- Parallel I/O

SciDAC CEMM NIMROD Simulation of a DIII-D Plasma

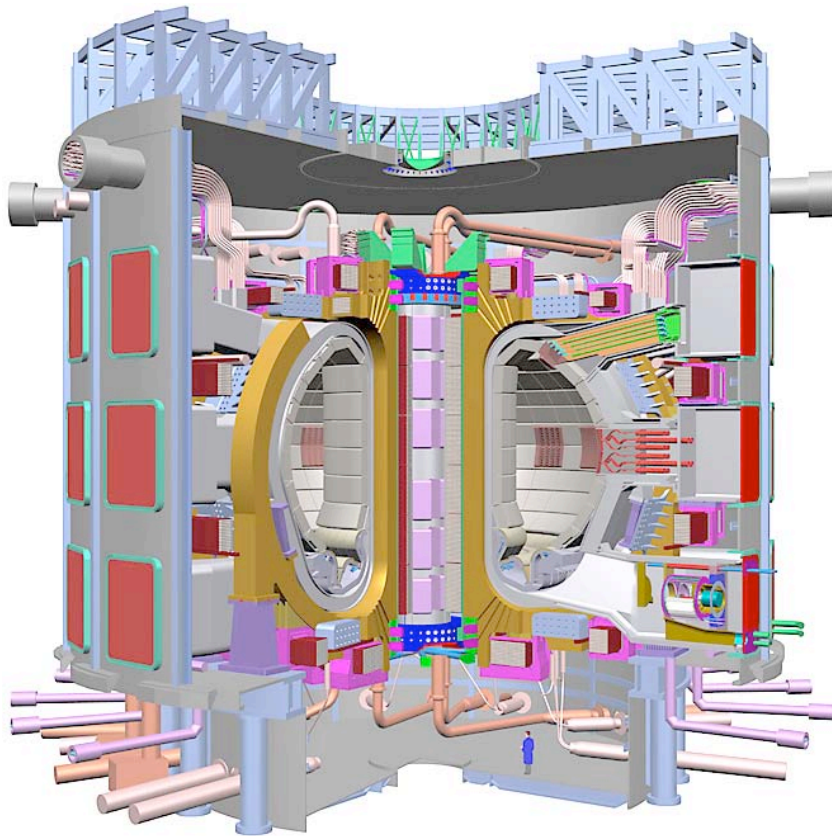
NFC Project Goal's for the Next Year Will Result in a Solidification and Enhancement of FusionGrid Services



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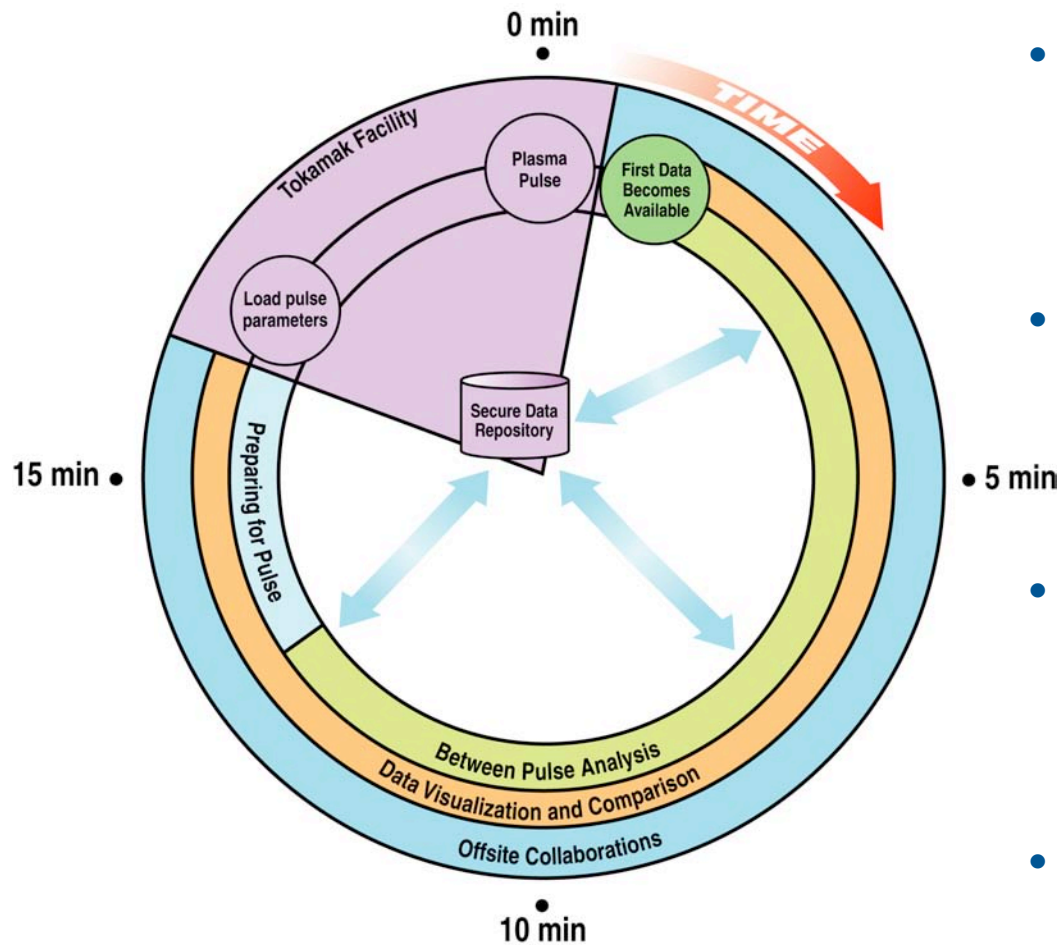
- **Security**
 - All platforms, MDSplus packaged
- **Computational Services**
 - Onetwo, GYRO, GS2, TORIC released
 - Between shot TRANSP routine
 - Parallel MDSplus I/O with XIO
- **Human Remote Collaboration**
 - AG Web client, recording, unicast
 - AG: NSTX, ASDEX, JET for experiments
- **Shared Displays**
 - Heterogeneous robust sharing software
- **Visualization**
 - Unified SCIRun released

ITER'S Success Both to the U.S. and the World Requires Robust Remote Collaboration Capability



- **One physical location not in the U.S.**
 - International collaboration
- **Pulsed experiments with simulations**
 - ~TBs of data in 30 minutes
- **Successful operation requires**
 - Large simulations, shared vis, decisions back to control room
- **Grid and ACE technologies critical**
 - Design, engineering, construction, & operations

These Needs Define the Collaborative Control Room



- Secure computational resources scheduled as required
- Rapidly compare experimental data to simulation results
- Share individual results with the group via shared large displays
- Fully engaged remote scientists with audio, video, shared displays

Substantial Work Required to Make the Collaborative Control Room Ready and Robust

Secure computational resources scheduled as required

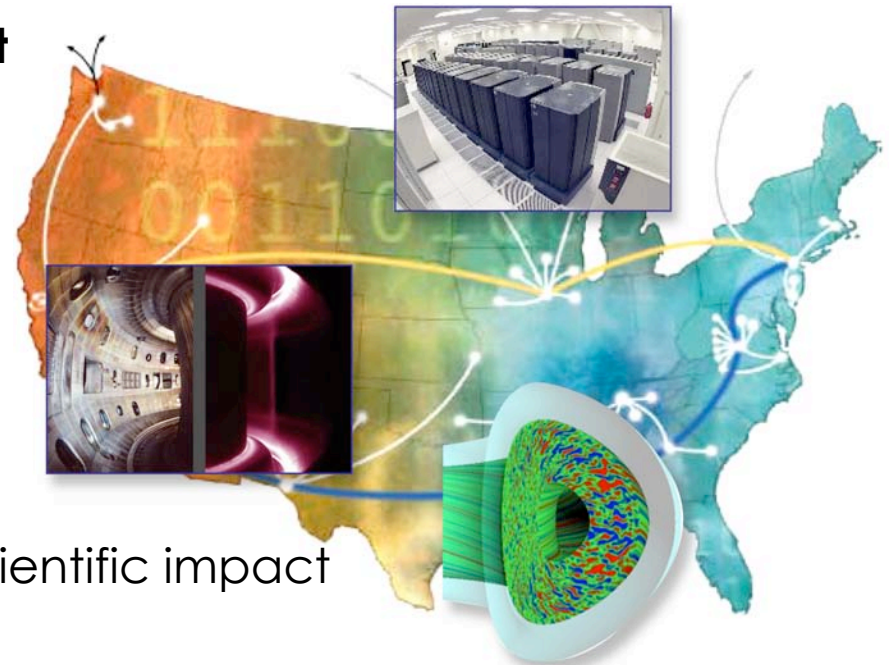
- **Security: the interplay between Grid-Security and Site-Security**
 - This involves firewalls and X.509 certificates
 - Physical token like SecureID
 - NAT & IPV6
- **Limiting the user base expansion**
 - Every new user can not be an exception
- **Simplified software infrastructure for the non-specialists**
 - To support a growing user base
- **Even more challenging crossing international borders**



Substantial Work Required to Make the Collaborative Control Room Ready and Robust (2)

Secure computational resources scheduled as required

- **Deploying a supercomputer to support pseudo real-time analysis**
 - Network QoS
 - CPU scheduling
 - Faster CPUs and algorithms
 - Data management
- **Substantially enhanced data analysis**
 - Historically this had made a huge scientific impact
- **Can have a safety impact for future devices**
 - e.g. ITER: <10% of high power discharges can disrupt



Substantial Work Required to Make the Collaborative Control Room Ready and Robust (3)

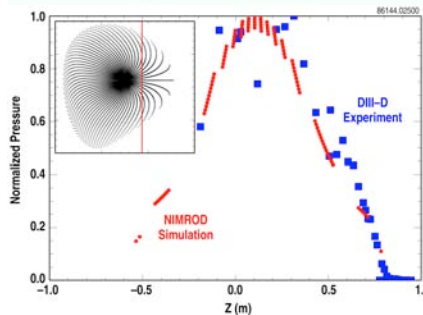
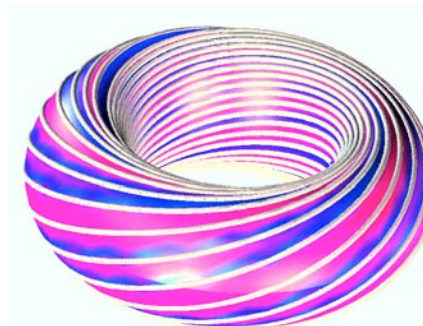
Rapidly compare experimental data to simulation results

- **Data Management**

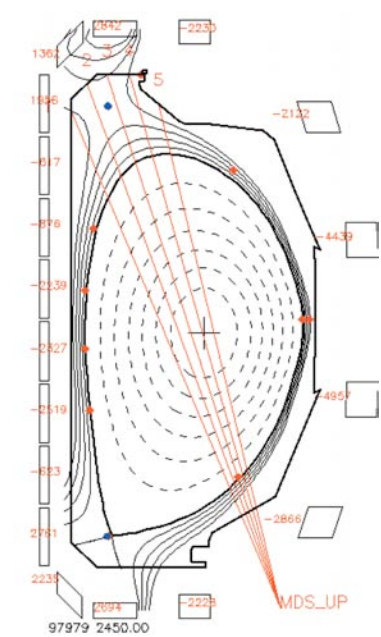
- Useable to both experimental and simulation scientists
- Intelligent caching, parallel I/O

- **Visualization**

- Facilitate understanding
- Quantitative
- Decision making



3D Plasma Simulation

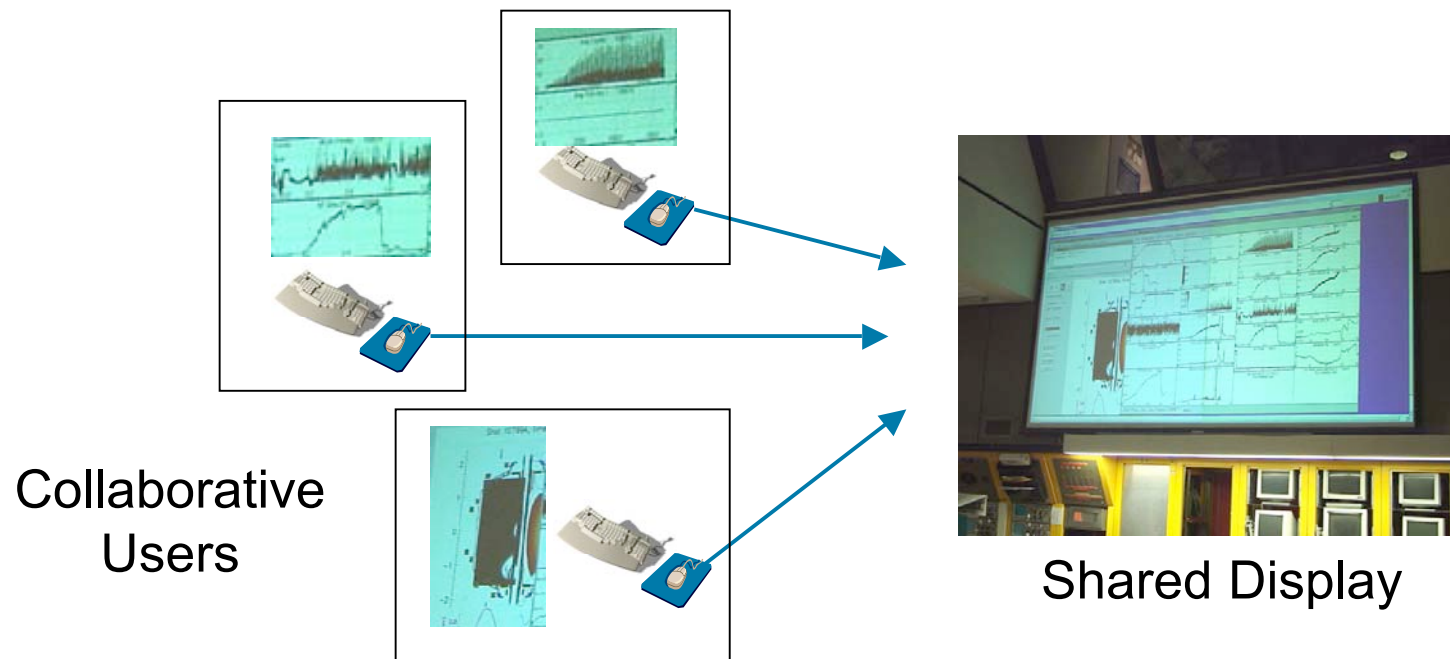


Experimental Reconstruction

Substantial Work Required to Make the Collaborative Control Room Ready and Robust (4)

Share individual results with the group via shared large displays

- **Display information sharing**
 - Move computational results from scientist's desktop to shared display
- **Concurrent control**
 - scientists can simultaneously edit, interact, annotate visualizations

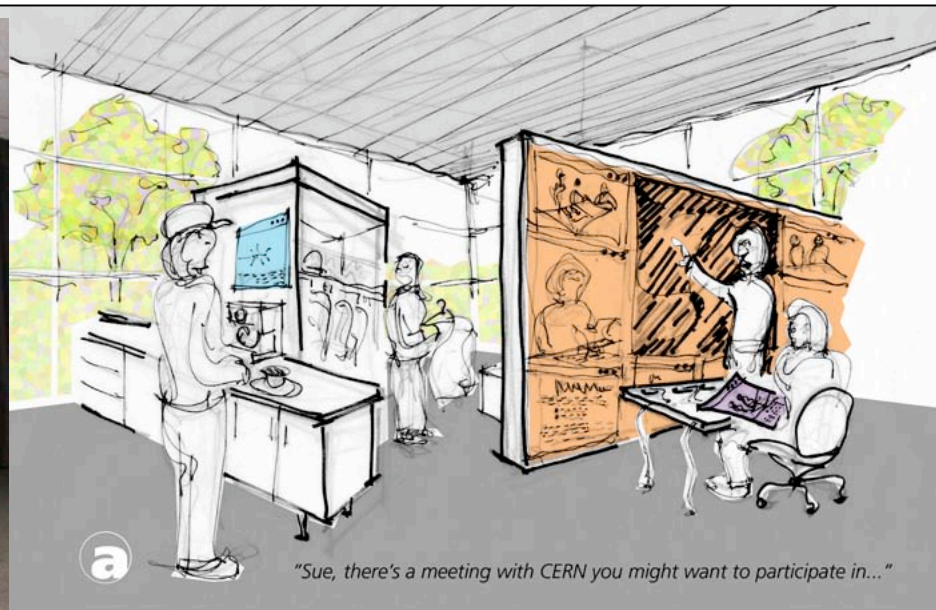


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Fully engaged remote scientists with audio, video, shared displays

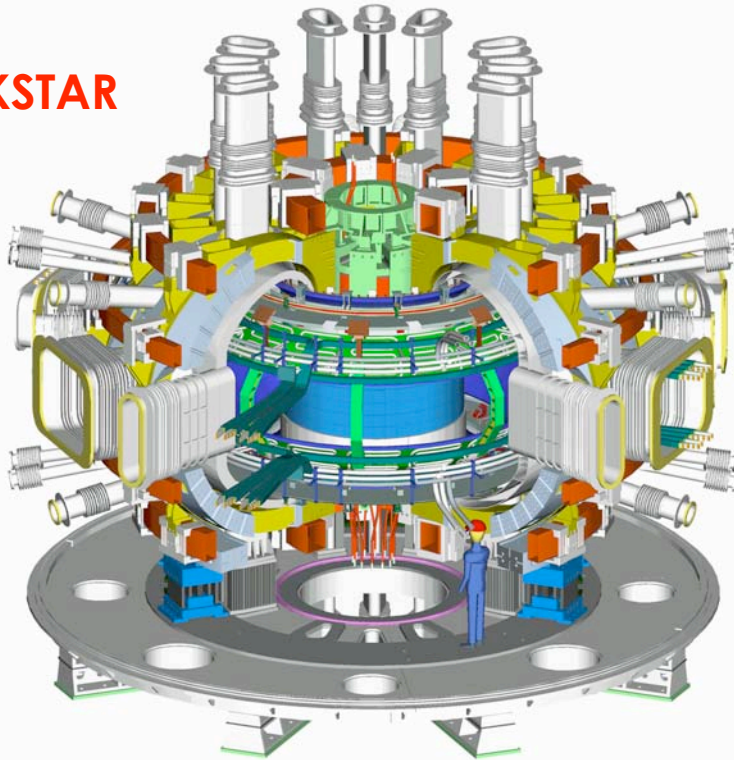
- **Unified & Robust Collaborative Environment**

- Working in synergy, not scattered pieces (AG, VNC, Jabber, MDSplus...)
- People (large & small groups), Data, Visualizations, Chat, Info
- An eye towards new standards & the commercial world (e.g. SIP/VOIP)
- Tolerance for failure is very small (~\$1M/plasma in ITER)

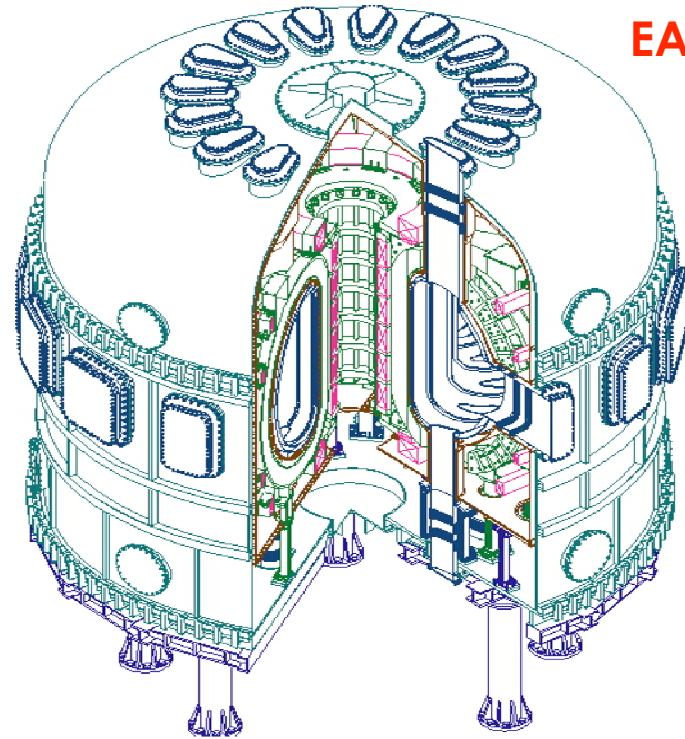


As we Focus on ITER do not Lose Sight of the Near Term

KSTAR



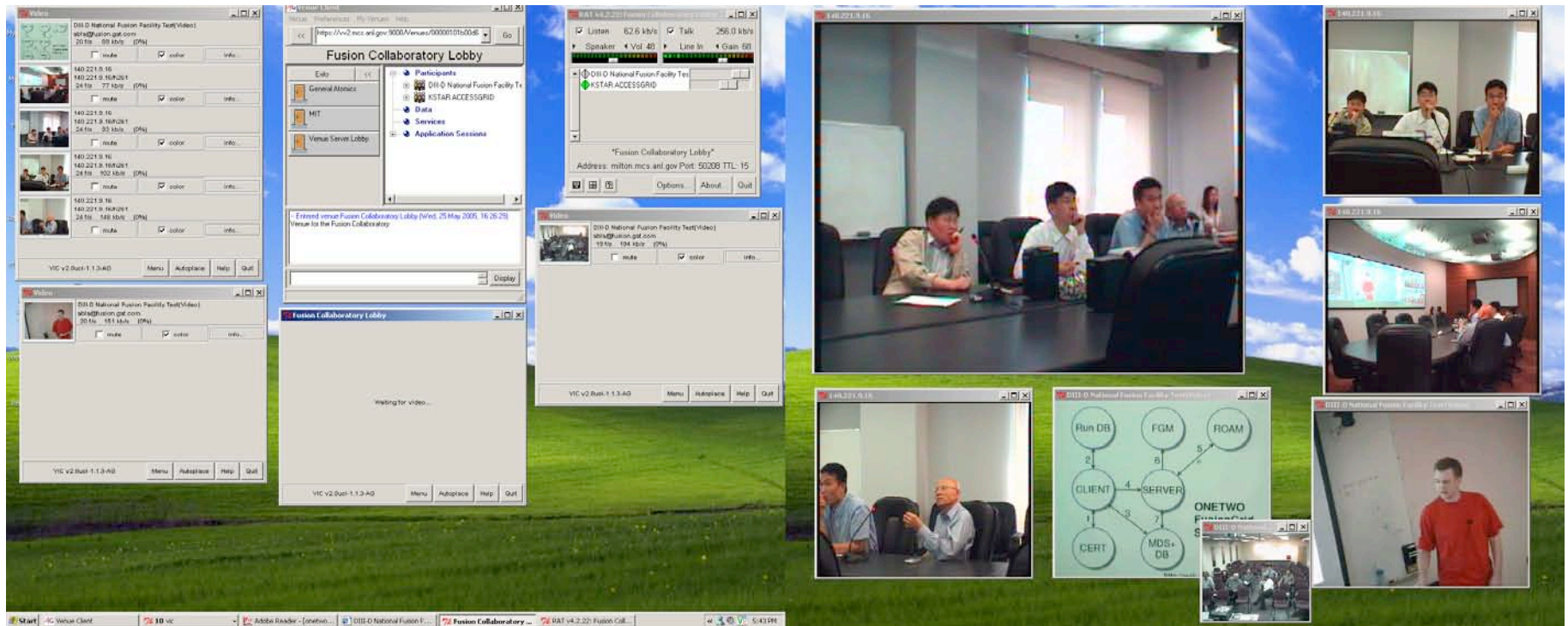
EAST



- **KSTAR in South Korea and EAST in China will be excellent proving grounds for remote collaboration technology**
- **Technology will be used during experiments while ITER is being built**

Work with KSTAR has been Initiated

First Joint Working Meeting via Access Grid May 2005



KSTAR Work Includes Computational Grid and ACE



- FusionGrid for KSTAR
- MDSplus for data
- Onetwo as new service
- AG meetings routine

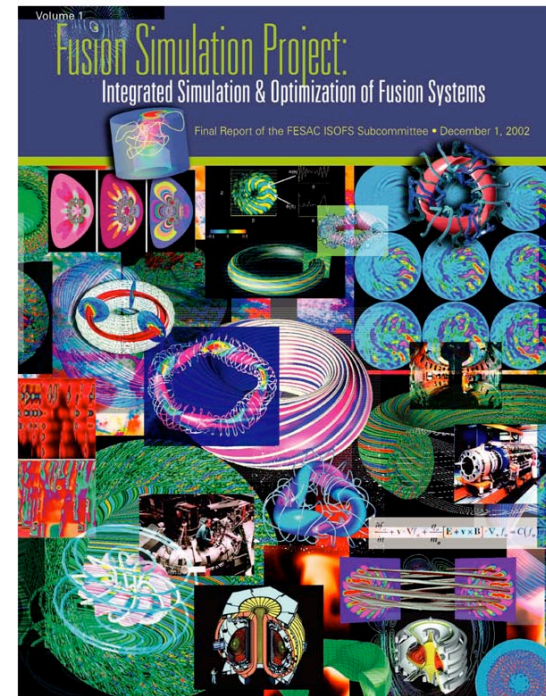
- **Technology will be used to complete numerous physics tasks**
 - Improve FusionGrid's Transport and Stability codes
 - KSTAR Transport/Stability Modeling & Scenario Development

White Paper Written Proposing EAST Collaboration

- **Goal is to enhance joint fusion research between U.S. and China**
 - Through the deployment of Grid and ACE infrastructure
- **Accomplished by deployment of existing FusionGrid**
 - Conduct interactive working meetings
 - Internet based access to modeling and analysis tools
 - Remote experimental participation on DIII-D and EAST
- **Three phase approach**
 - Beta project involving GA/DIII-D and Hefei China
 - Linkage of multiple fusion institutions in the U.S. and China via FusionGrid
 - Expanding the linkage to other collaborations between the two countries which are supported by the USDOE Office of Science and the Chinese Academy of Sciences

FSP Success Requires Collaborative Technology

- **Simulation data validation via comparison to experimental data**
 - Implies a complete data management system for FSP
- **Visualization tools**
 - Numerous tools but common data API
- **FSP as resource over WAN**
 - FusionGrid service
- **FSP used during experiments**
 - More intelligent decisions
- **FSP is a collaborative project**
 - Working meetings, shared code debugging, etc.



Response to PAC's General Charge

- **Challenge to effectively utilize terascale computing to produce significantly new scientific insights/breakthroughs**
 - Pseudo real-time FusionGrid computing during tokamak operations
 - Path to utilize terascale computing to support experimental operations
- **Clearly demonstrate partnerships with OASCR to deliver new capabilities**
 - Strong OASCR/OFES-funded working relationship established
 - Middleware, Network QoS, Algorithms, Visualization, Remote sharing
- **How it can enable the U.S. a meaningful scientific leadership role and cost effective participation on expensive non-U.S. facilities**
 - Experimental: Be effective in day-to-day remote machine operation
 - Computation: Offer U.S. codes/resources as services

Concluding Comments

- **The NFC Project is implementing & testing new collaborative technology**
 - Accomplishing SciDAC's goal: Lead with the science
 - FusionGrid services being used to benefit daily FES research
 - Good leveraging of resources between OASCR and OFES
- **Clear vision & work scope forward to the Collaborative Control Room**
 - Real-time support for experiments is critical
 - Concept encompasses most if not all FES collaborative needs
 - Clear software enhancements required for success
- **Collaborative technology critical to the success of the FES Program**
 - Experimental: Fewer, larger future machines (EAST, ITER, KSTAR)
 - Computation: Moving towards integrated simulation (FSP)
- **Such technology can be potentially applied to new sciences leading to new collaborations, particularly with China and South Korea**