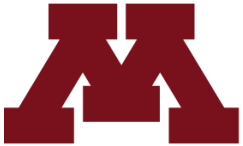
Counting Your Assets

Don’t Forget About Data!



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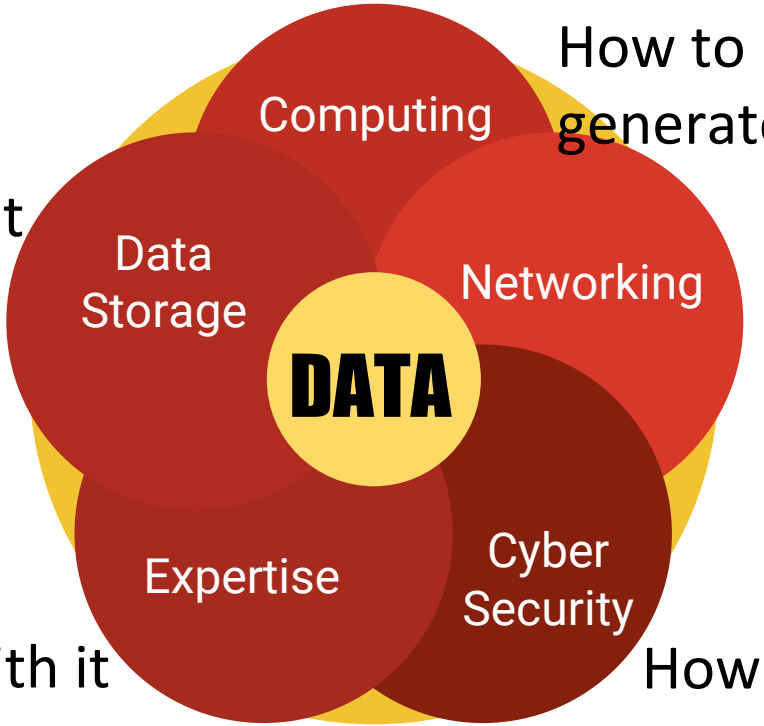
Key Components of Research CI



How to understand/ generate it

How to retain it

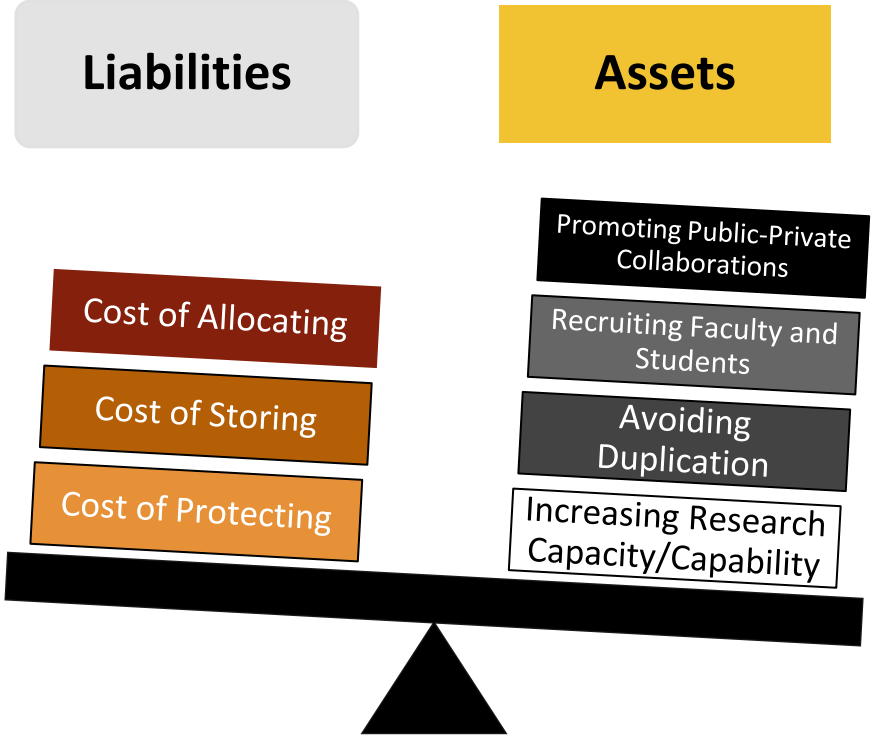
How to move it

What to do with it

How to protect it

Paradigm Shift

Data as a Liability → Data as an Asset



Challenges are Real

- Breath of research data is enormous
  - Socioeconomic to stellar evolution
- Size of some data sets are daunting
  - 100 TB to Multi-PB data sets are common
- Data use agreements are onerous
  - Lots of time to setup and penalties for violations

Data as an Asset:

Key Ingredients

- Sustained Research Infrastructure
- Well Trained Cyberinfrastructure Professionals Cyberpractitioners

MSI Computing and Data Storage Assets

Batch High Performance Computing

- Two Supercomputers
- 25,000 CPU Cores
- 230,400 GPU CUDA Cores
- 100 TB Memory
- Infiniband Network

Big Data Storage & Analysis

- 6 PB Primary High Performance
- 3 PB Second Tier
- 30 PB Archive Tape Library

Interactive & Cloud Computing

- Citrix VDI for Windows
- DCS Nice for Linux Desktops
- OpenStack for Secure Cloud
- 100 Gbps Campus Research Network
- Regional & National Optical Networks

Web Portals & Databases

- Galaxy for Multi-omics
- Jupyter Hub
- Custom Interfaces & Applications

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Scientific Computing Solutions
6-FTEs

- Code Optimization
- Workflow & Platform Dev
- Project Leadership
- Dedicated Grant Support
- In Depth User Support, Consulting, and Troubleshooting

Research Informatics Solutions
12-FTEs

- Life Sciences Computing
- Workflow & Platform Dev
- Informatics Education Informatics Research
- Project Leadership
- Dedicated Grant Support
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Application Development Solutions
6-FTEs

- Web development
- User Dashboard Development
- Systems Programming
- Custom App Dev
- Project Leadership
- Dedicated Grant Support

User Gateway Group
5-FTEs

- Helpdesk Lead
- Onboarding and User Training
- Communications
- Outreach
- Administrative functions

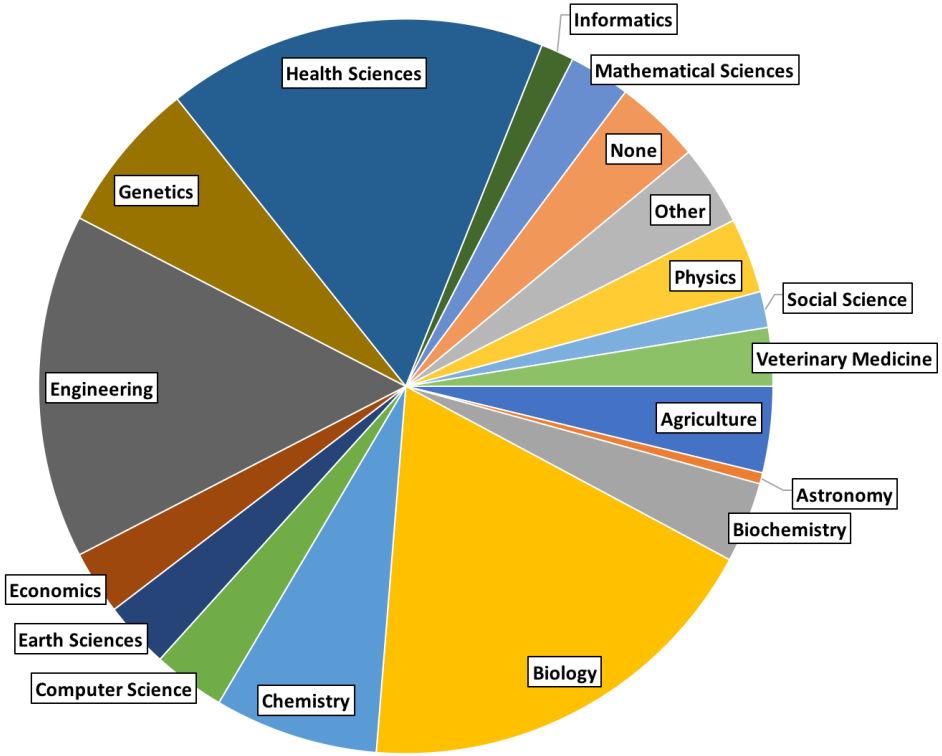
Advanced Systems Operations
11-FTEs

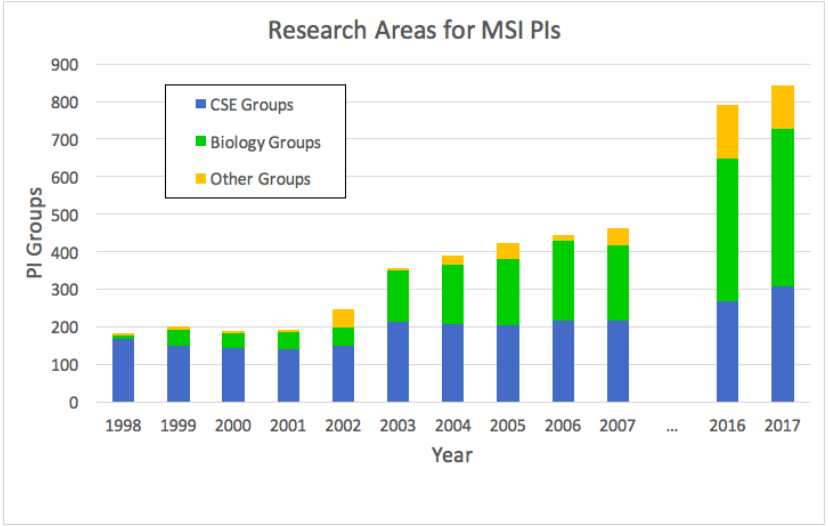
- Systems Support
- Hosted Services
- Benchmarking
- Project Leadership
- Limited Dedicated Grant Support
- In Depth User Support and Troubleshooting

Dedicated Solutions Groups

Core Operations Support

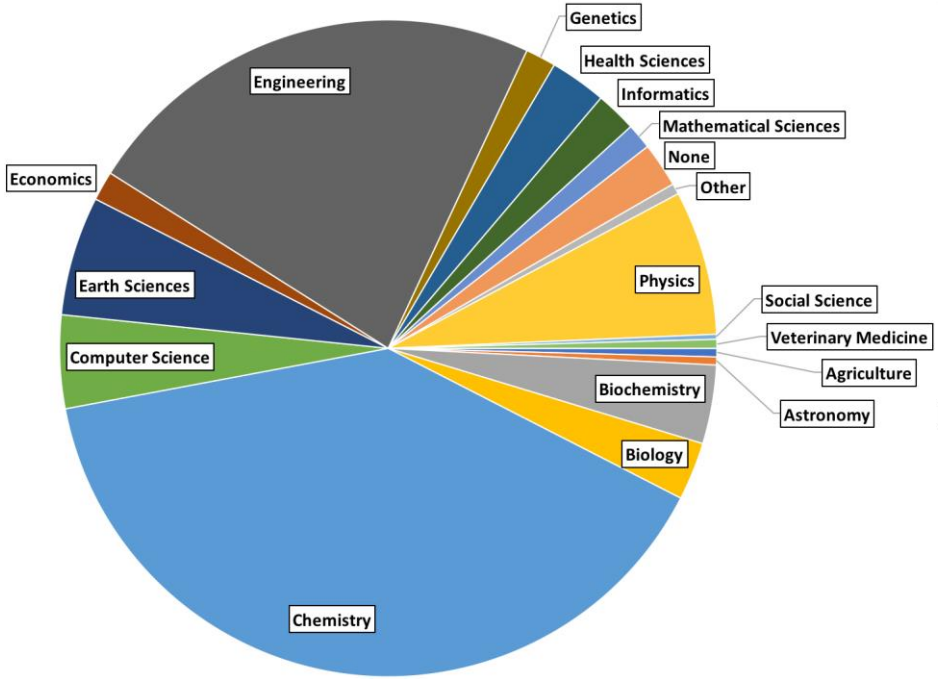
In 2018: 888 User Groups, 4,555 Active users



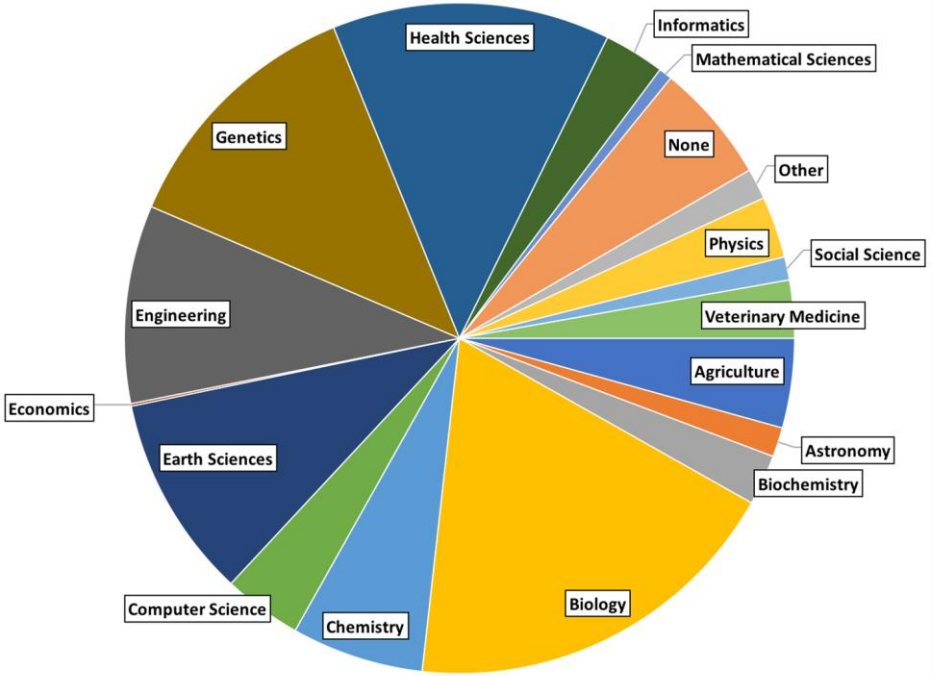


Biggest increasing in Life Sciences

Resource Utilization by Group

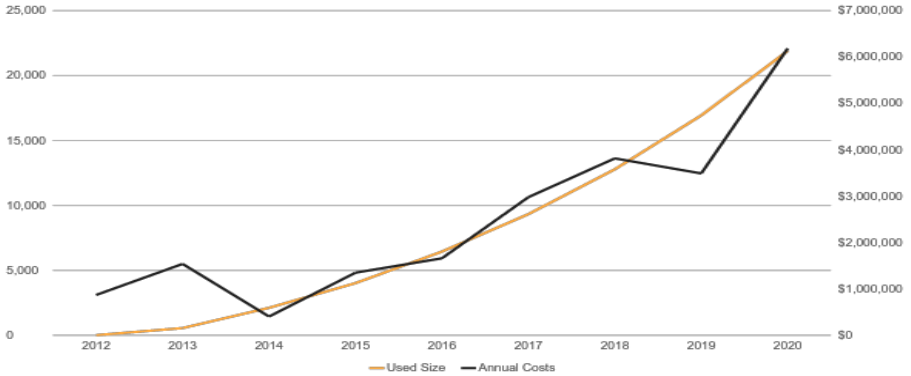


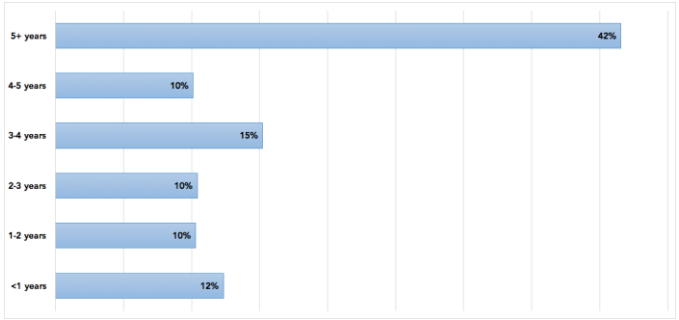
CPU Hours
150 Million Total

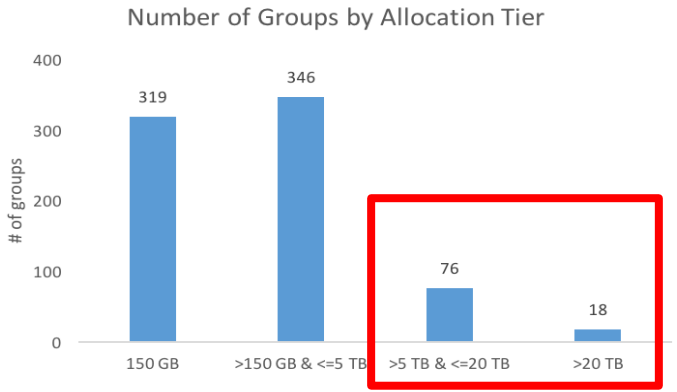


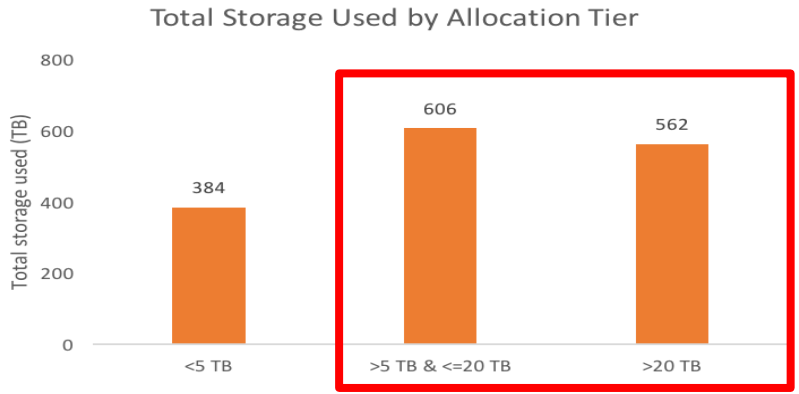
HPC Storage
1.5 PetaBytes

What's the Problem?









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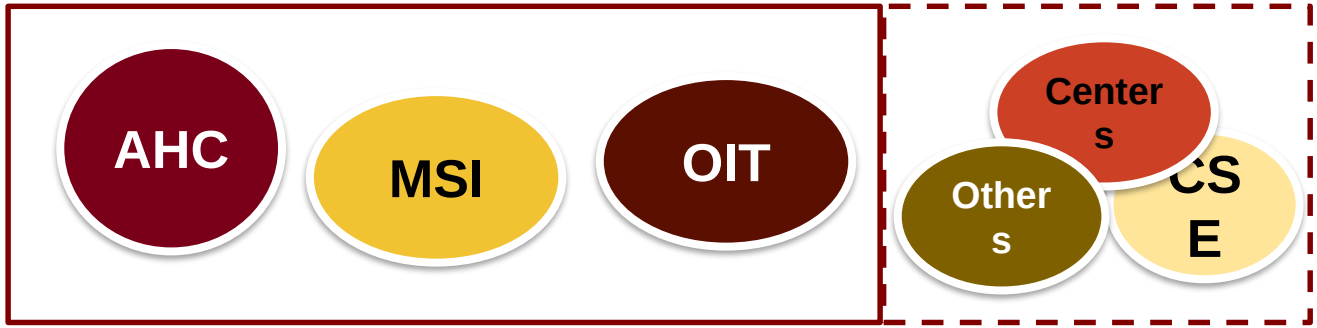
It Doesn't Have to Be Scary

Assemble Stakeholders



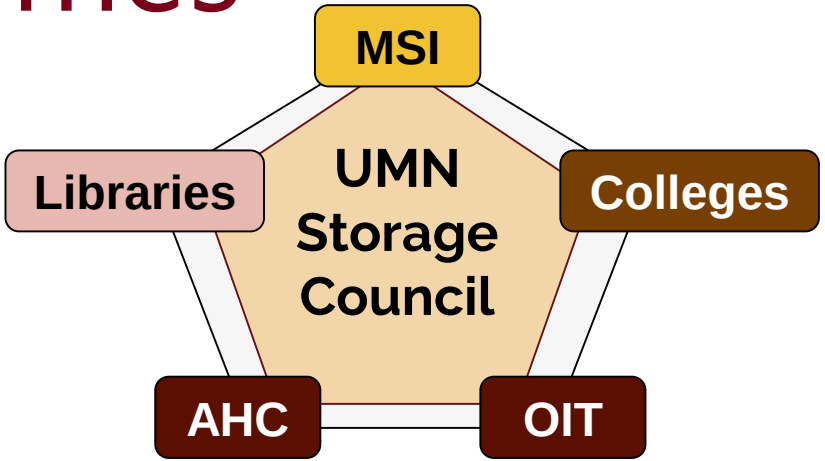
Storage Redesign and Restructure Committee (SRRC)

Define areas that need attention

- Service Analysis
- Campus Needs
- Standards and Operating Procedures
- Education and Storage Champions

Outcomes

Establish a University-wide Storage Council



Council is Charged to:

- Develop a Storage Champion Program
- Enhancing Website Infrastructure
- Enhancing User Training and Onboarding
- Collaborating and Sharing Internal Knowledge Articles
- Promoting Marketing and Communication

Outcomes

Storage Champions Network
Kickoff meeting
Septemeber 19, 2019
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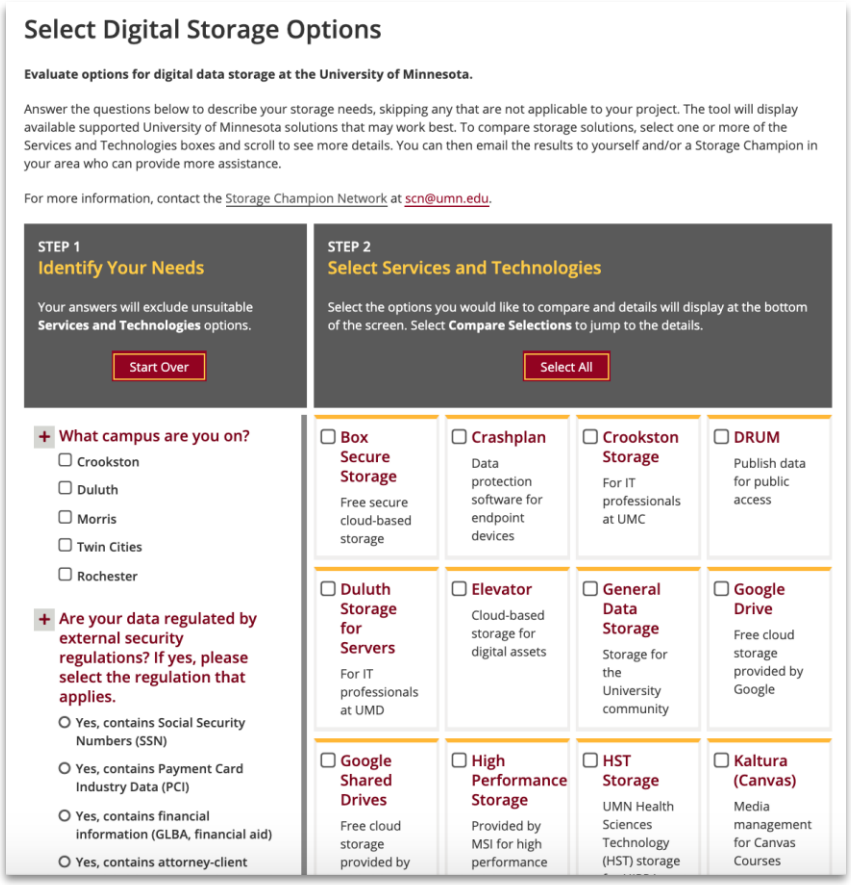

Storage Selection Tool
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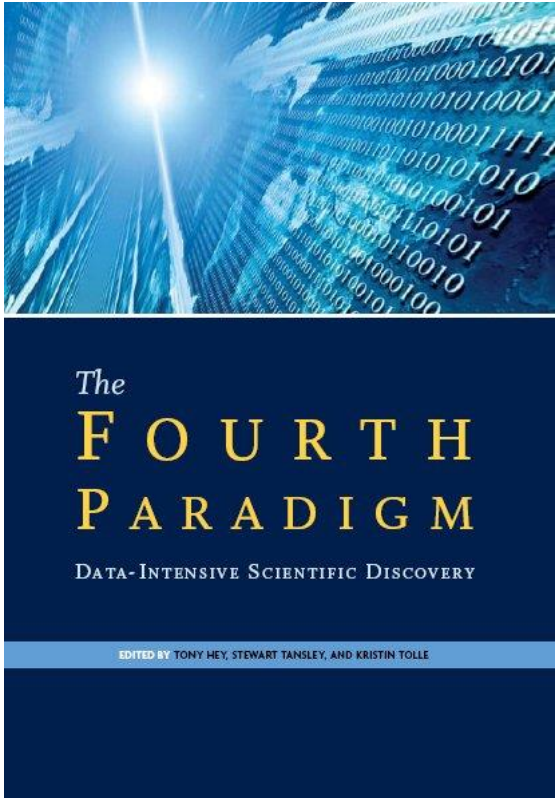
- **Tools to Make Data Interoperable and to Facilitate Analyses and Sharing**

"Today, the tools for capturing data both at the mega-scale and at the milli-scale are just dreadful."

Jim Gray, 2007



The Challenge

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Data-Driven Agricultural Innovation

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A novel data sharing and analysis platform to enable public-private research collaborations for innovation in agricultural production and other domain areas.

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Our Specific Contributions

GEMShare ™

- Smart sharing -- Enables data providers to control who sees what, and when
- Data Versioning – Ensures reproducibility and ability to roll back from changes
- Supports -- open, private, and pooled data
- Beyond data -- Enables sharing of tools and workflows too

GEMSTools™ is an ever-expanding suite of web-based and command-line analytical tools designed to:

- Cleanup messy (meta-)data
- Intelligently impute missing data
- Enable data interoperability
- Apply advanced analytic methods to genomic, environmental, management and socio-economic data

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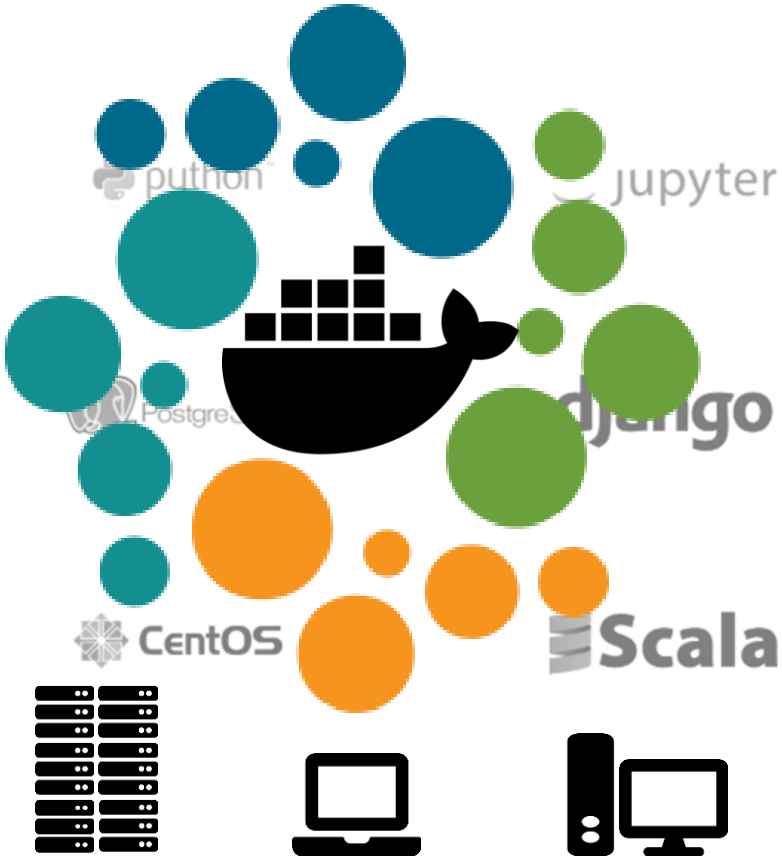
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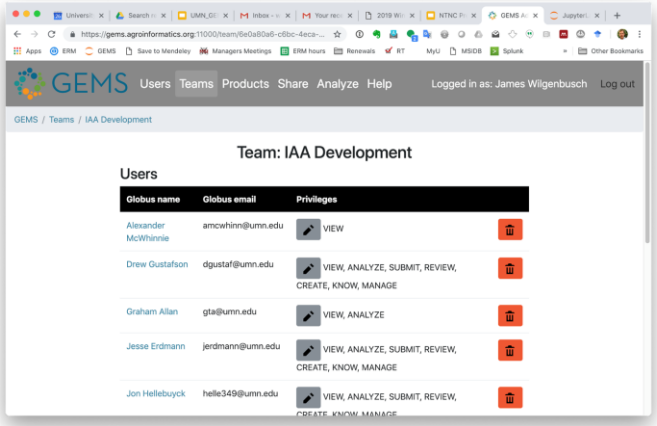

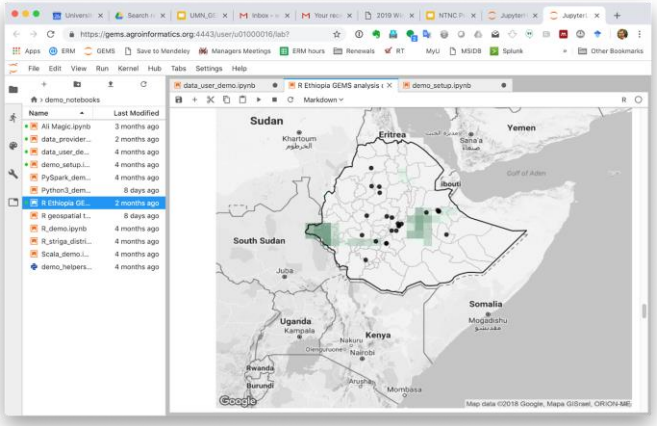

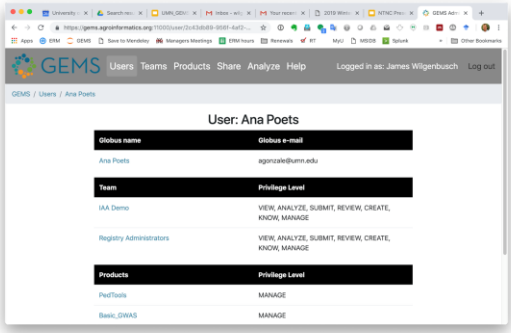

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- Embrapa, Brazil
- Pepsico
- G2F (Genomes to Fields)
- Diversity Arrays Technology (DArT/KDDART)
- CIAT (cassava, edible beans, forages, rice,)
- University of Adelaide
- Oat Global
- Stellenbosch University, South Africa
- CIMMYT (corn, wheat, socio-economics, genetic resources, IT)

- GRDC (Grains Research Development Corporation), Australia
- MN Department of Agriculture
- PPIRC, Phenotyping and Imaging Center, Canada
- CIP (potatoes, sweet potatoes)
- ICRISAT (sorghum, millet, chickpeas, groundnut)

Thank You

Questions?

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