

Counting Your Assets

Don't Forget About Data!

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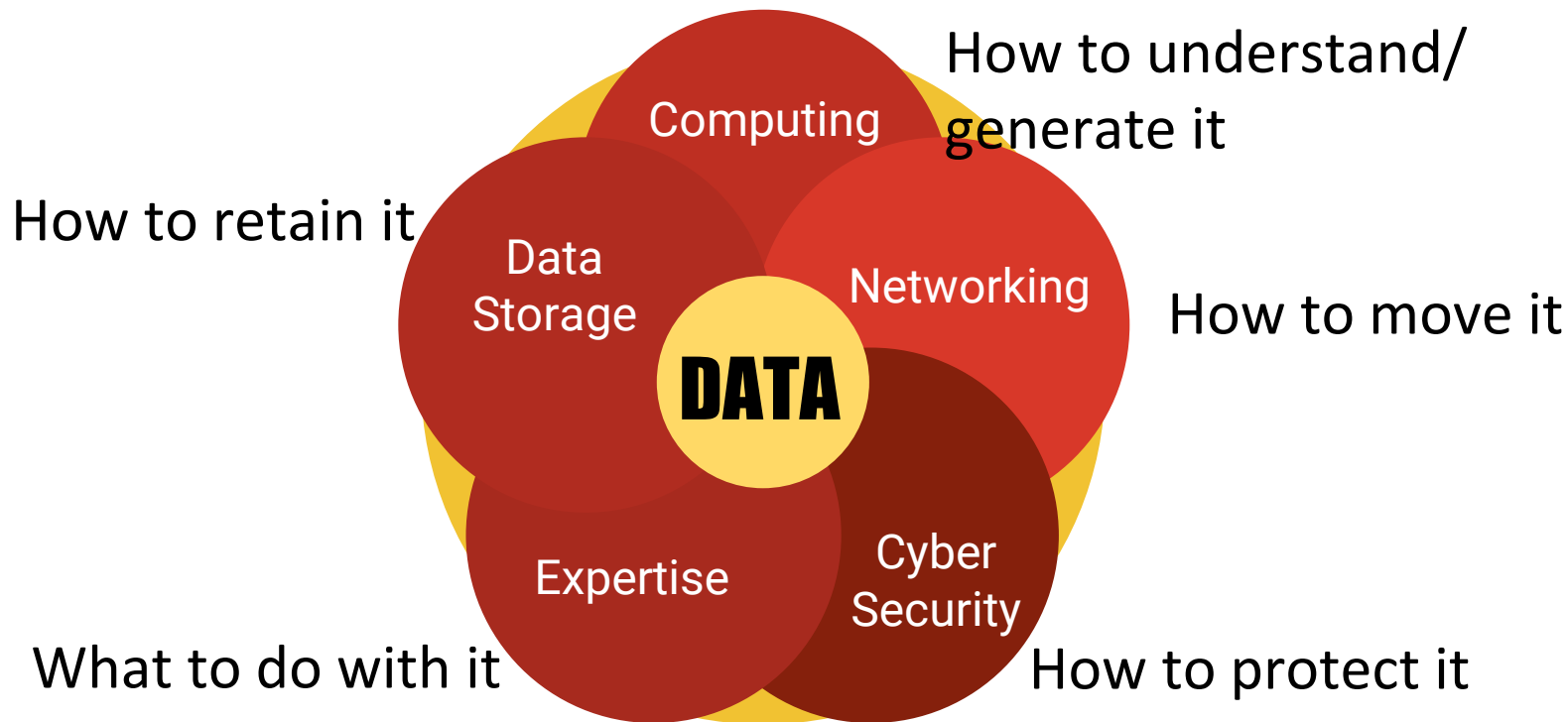
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Key Components of Research CI

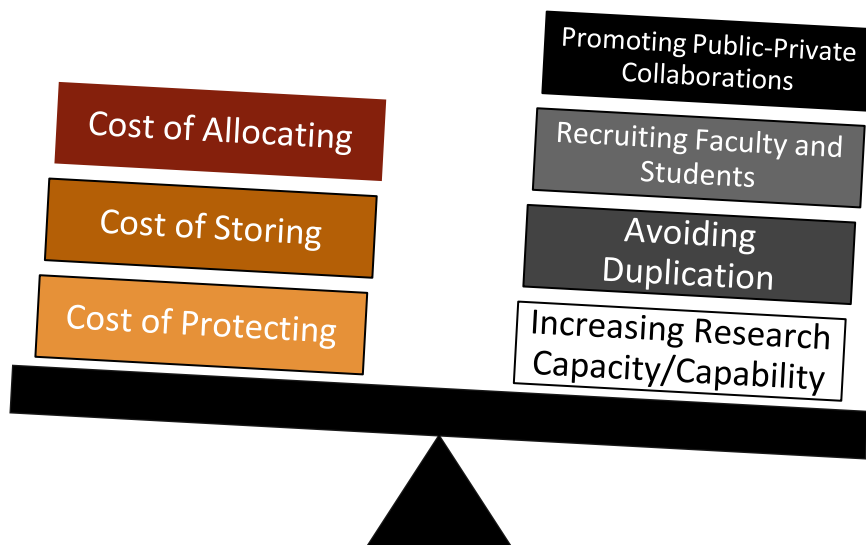


Paradigm Shift

Data as a Liability → Data as an Asset

Liabilities

Assets



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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Research Computing

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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
- In Depth User Support, Consulting, and Troubleshooting

**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

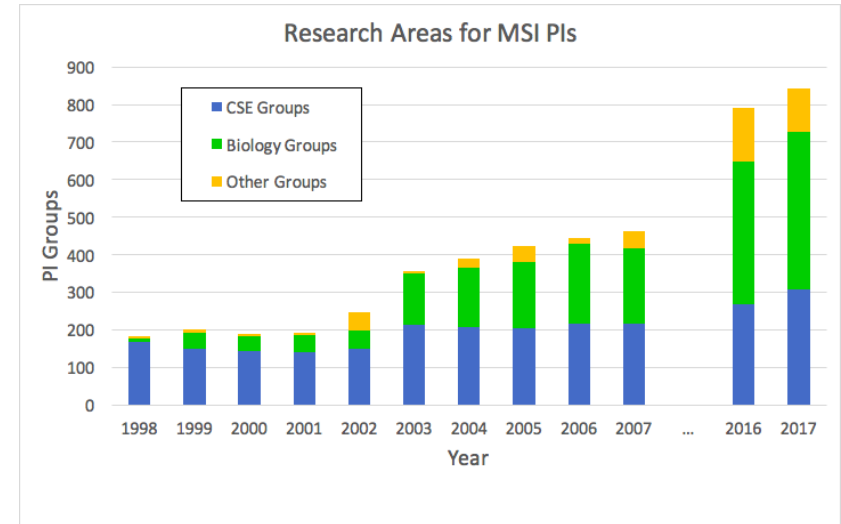
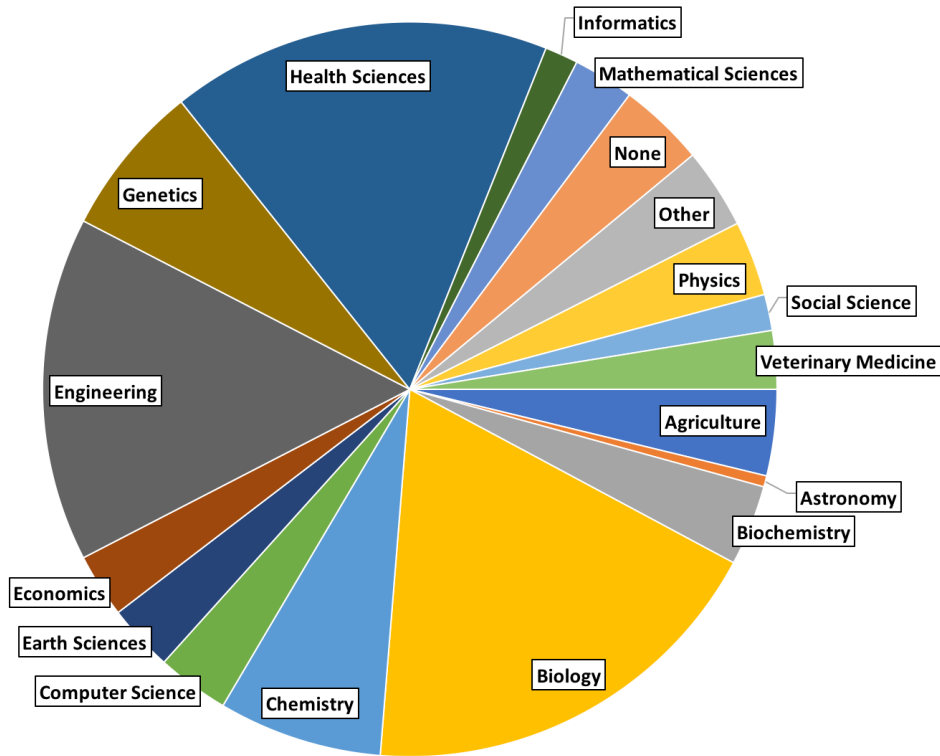
**Advanced
Systems
Operations**
11-FTEs

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

Dedicated Solutions Groups

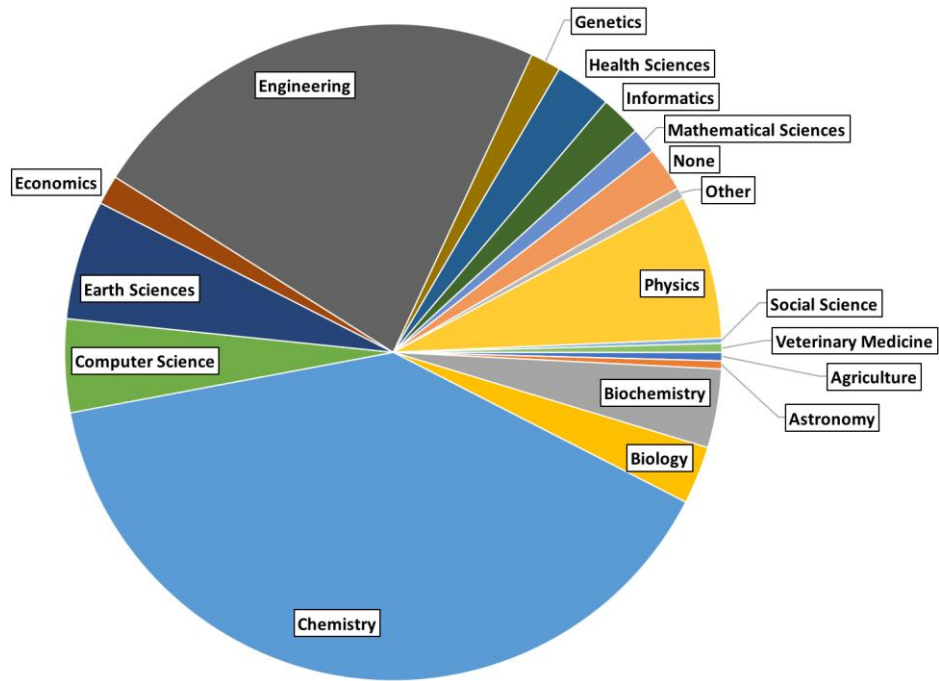
Core Operations Support

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

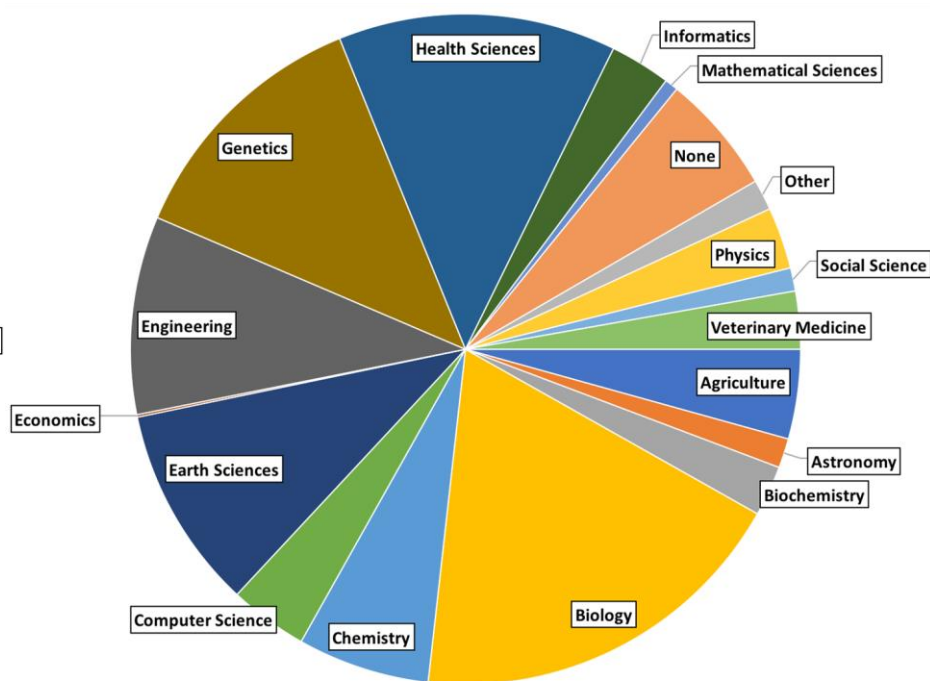


Biggest increasing in Life Sciences

Resource Utilization by Group

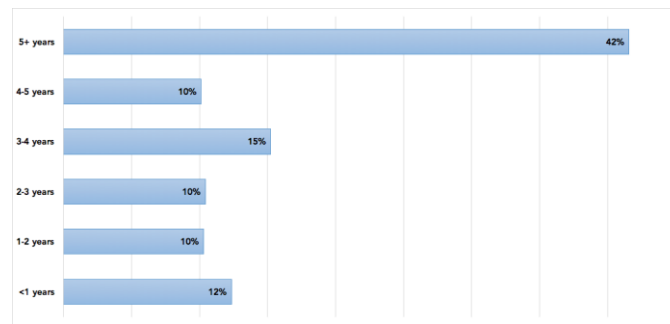
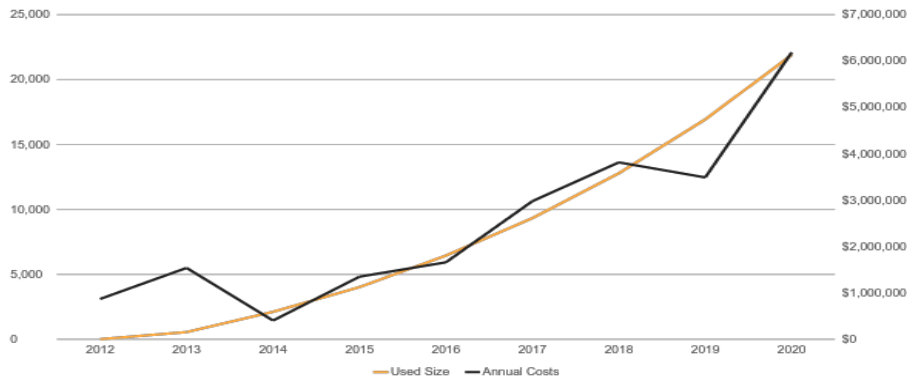


CPU Hours
150 Million Total

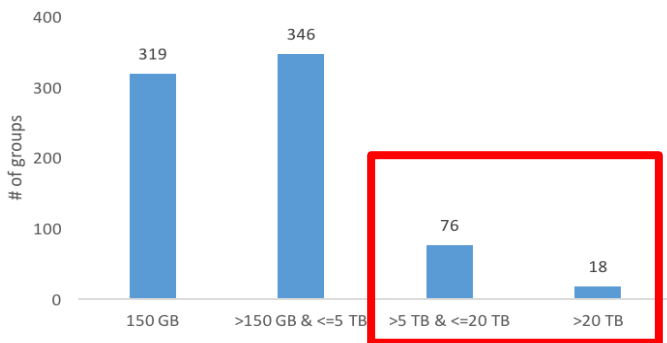


HPC Storage
1.5 PetaBytes

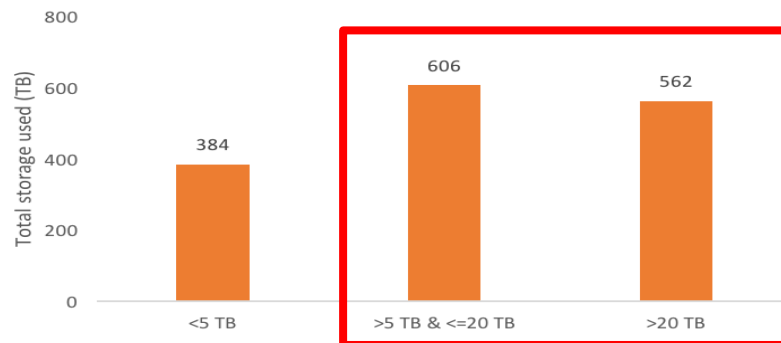
What's the Problem?



Number of Groups by Allocation Tier



Total Storage Used by Allocation Tier



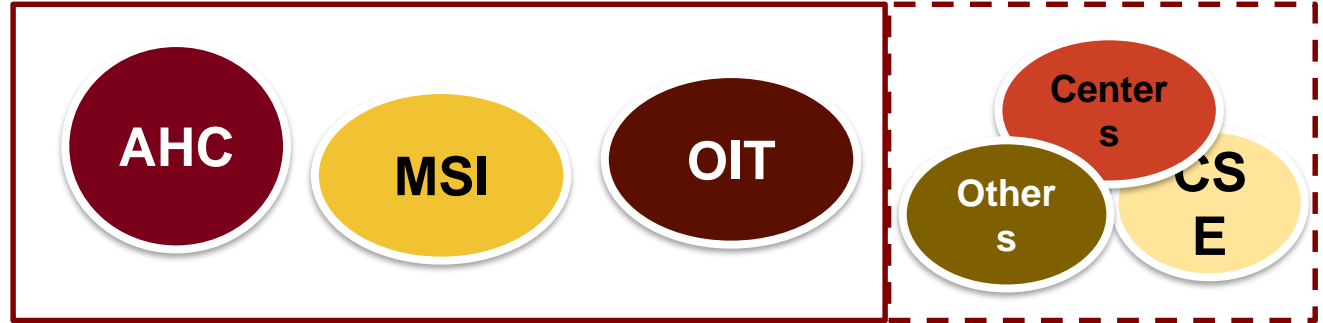
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- **Good Storage Governance that Spans
Institutional Reporting Lines**

It Doesn't Have to Be Scary

**Assemble
Stakeholders**



Storage Redesign and Restructure
Committee (SRRC)

**Define areas that need
attention**

Service Analysis

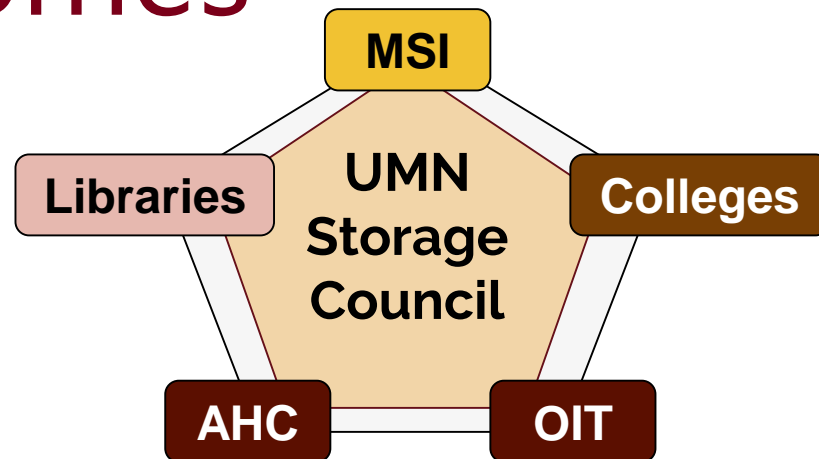
Campus Needs

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
September 19, 2019
z.umn.edu/scn

Select Digital Storage Options

Evaluate options for digital data storage at the University of Minnesota.

Answer the questions below to describe your storage needs, skipping any that are not applicable to your project. The tool will display available supported University of Minnesota solutions that may work best. To compare storage solutions, select one or more of the Services and Technologies boxes and scroll to see more details. You can then email the results to yourself and/or a Storage Champion in your area who can provide more assistance.

For more information, contact the [Storage Champion Network](mailto:scn@umn.edu) at scn@umn.edu.

STEP 1

Identify Your Needs

Your answers will exclude unsuitable Services and Technologies options.

Start Over

STEP 2

Select Services and Technologies

Select the options you would like to compare and details will display at the bottom of the screen. Select **Compare Selections** to jump to the details.

Select All

+ What campus are you on?

- Crookston
- Duluth
- Morris
- Twin Cities
- Rochester

+ Are your data regulated by external security regulations? If yes, please select the regulation that applies.

- Yes, contains Social Security Numbers (SSN)
- Yes, contains Payment Card Industry Data (PCI)
- Yes, contains financial information (GLBA, financial aid)
- Yes, contains attorney-client

Box Secure Storage

Free secure cloud-based storage

Crashplan

Data protection software for endpoint devices

Crookston Storage

For IT professionals at UMC

DRUM

Publish data for public access

Duluth Storage for Servers

For IT professionals at UMD

Elevator

Cloud-based storage for digital assets

General Data Storage

Storage for the University community

Google Drive

Free cloud storage provided by Google

Google Shared Drives

Free cloud storage provided by

High Performance Storage

Provided by MSI for high performance

HST Storage

UMN Health Sciences Technology (HST) storage

Kaltura (Canvas)

Media management for Canvas Courses

Storage Selection Tool

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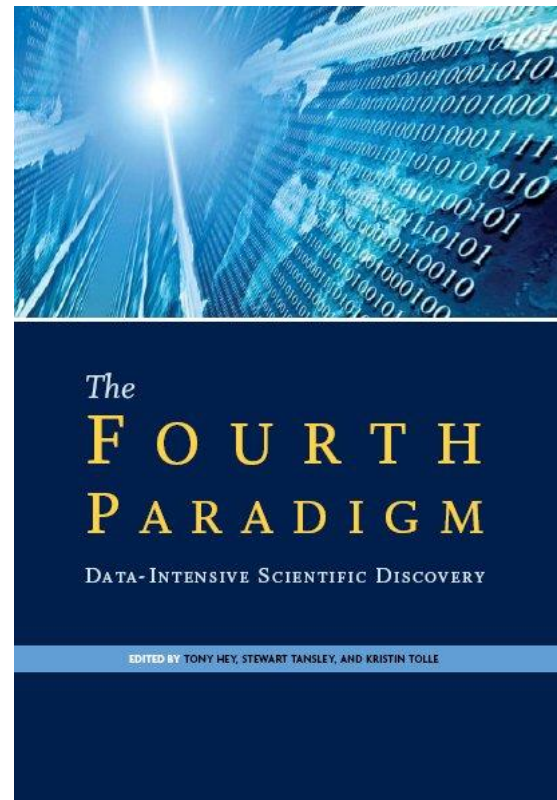
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AKA Cyberpractitioners
- Good Storage Governance that Spans Institutional Reporting Lines
- **Tools to Make Data Interoperable and to Facilitate Analyses and Sharing**

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

Jim Gray, 2007



The Challenge





GEMS

Data-Driven Agricultural Innovation

GENETICS • ENVIRONMENT • MANAGEMENT • SOCIOECONOMICS

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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Environment

Management

Socio-Economics



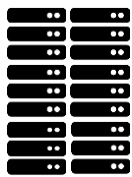
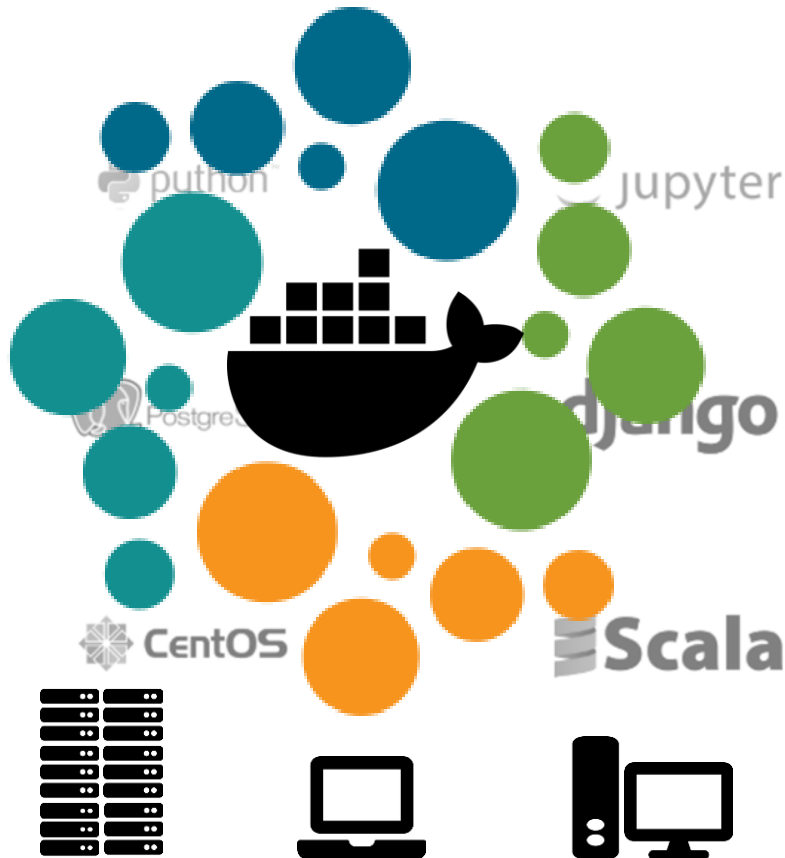
Our Specific Contributions

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



GEMS in Action

The screenshot shows the GEMS interface for the 'IAA Development' team. The page title is 'Team: IAA Development' and it lists several users with their details and privileges.

Globus name	Globus email	Privileges
Alexander McWhinnie	amcwhinn@umn.edu	VIEW
Drew Gustafson	dgustaf@umn.edu	VIEW, ANALYZE, SUBMIT, REVIEW, CREATE, KNOW, MANAGE
Graham Allan	gta@umn.edu	VIEW, ANALYZE
Jesse Erdmann	jerdmann@umn.edu	VIEW, ANALYZE, SUBMIT, REVIEW, CREATE, KNOW, MANAGE
Jon Hellebuyck	helle349@umn.edu	VIEW, ANALYZE, SUBMIT, REVIEW, CREATE, KNOW, MANAGE

The screenshot shows the GEMS interface with a map of Ethiopia and a file list. The map displays various locations and data points. The file list on the left shows several files, including 'R Ethiopia GEMS analysis' and 'demo_setup.lymb'.

Name	Last Modified
Alli Magic.lymb	3 months ago
data_provider	2 months ago
data_user_de...	4 months ago
demo_setup_L...	4 months ago
PySpark_dem...	4 months ago
Python3_dem...	8 days ago
R Ethiopia GEMS analysis	8 days ago
R_demo.lymb	4 months ago
R_stiga_disti...	4 months ago
Scala_demo_L...	4 months ago
demo_helpers...	4 months ago

The screenshot shows the GEMS interface for the user 'Ana Poets'. The page title is 'User: Ana Poets' and it lists the user's details and privileges.

Globus name	Globus e-mail
Ana Poets	apoints@umn.edu

Team	Privilege Level
IAA Demo	VIEW, ANALYZE, SUBMIT, REVIEW, CREATE, KNOW, MANAGE
Registry Administrators	VIEW, ANALYZE, SUBMIT, REVIEW, CREATE, KNOW, MANAGE

Products	Privilege Level
PedTools	MANAGE
Basin_GWAS	MANAGE

<https://agroinformatix.org/>

GEMS™: Enabling External Partnerships Through the International AgroInformatics Alliance (IAA)

- CGIAR Big Data Platform
 - 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)
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- 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)



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Thank You

Questions?

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