Planning a Globally Accessible Archive of MODIS Data

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Challenge: A Massive, Accessible Archive

- » Data from earth observing satellite instruments has uniquely high continuing research value
 - Moderate Resolution Imaging Spectroradiometer (MODIS)
- » The flow is continuous and massive
 - MODIS data is 1TB/day
- » ... must be processed and archived
 - The responsibility of the NASA-USGS Land Processes Distributed Active Archive Center (LP DAAC) at the EROS Data Center
- » ... must be accessible to the global community of research scientists and policy planners.



MODIS Archive Access Platform (MAAP)

» MAAP is a

- distributed service platform
- based on Logistical Networking
- for providing a global community with fast, flexible, and efficient access
- to all MODIS archive data





Logistical Networking in the Design of the MAAP

- » Apply Logistical Networking (LN) Technology to the problem of accessing and distributing data to communities on a global scale
- » Storage resources are provisioned for shared use within distributed communities.
- » Issues relating to the placement and movement of data are factored out from higher level concerns
 - Definition of metadata and directory structures
 - Resource allocation between competing users
- » Build a common platform based on functionality that is sufficient to support future development





What is Logistical Networking?

- » A common, generic buffer service deployed as part of the shared network fabric
- » A best effort service that takes advantage of the continuing exponential increase in storage density
- » Exposed replication and geographical RAID
- » Content distribution, prestaging and caching
- » A lightweight way to manage transient storage
- » A means to achieve very high data movement performance though control over buffering
- » A means to connect switched optical (>1Gbps) and routed IP (<1Gpbs) networks</p>

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Areas of Current LN Application

» Physics

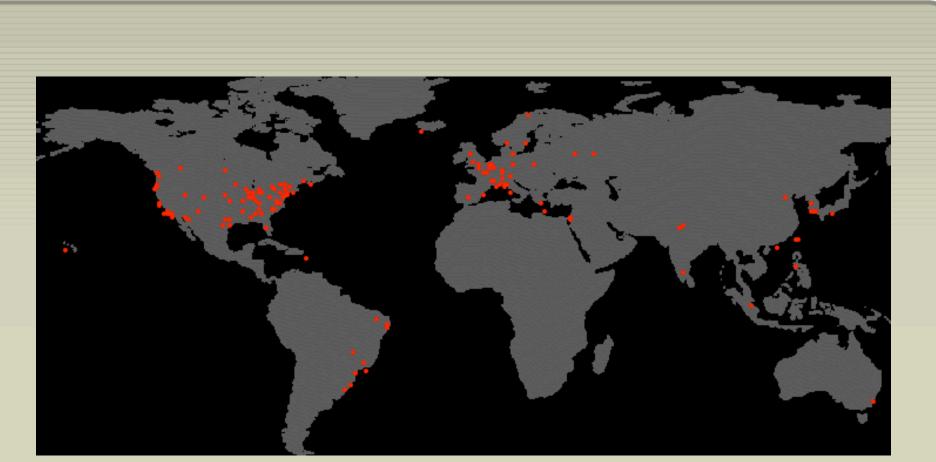
- Fusion Energy Simulation
- Astrophysics Simulation
- High Energy Particle Physics
- » Genomic Databases
 - Caching
 - Data Mining
- » Grid Computing
 - Flexible data movement

- » Scientific Visualization
 - Caching/prestaging
 - Computation as a Network Service
- » Multimedia
 - High Definition Video on Demand
 - Video Postprocessing & Transcoding
 - TV-over-IP
- » Content Distribution
 - High demand software





Current Infrastructure Deployment



The public deployment includes 500+ IBP depots in 30 countries serving 30+ TB storage (leverages PlanetLab). Private deployments for DOE, Brazilian and Czech backbones.

Why a Planning Grant for MAAP?

- » Responsibility for the archive lies with the DAACs
 - Tape is well understood as an archiving technology; network storage is not
- » Any proposal for an accessibility platform must connect with the operator and user communities
- » An operational archive would support the missions of non-NSF agencies (eg NASA, NOAA, USGS, DOE)
 - Funding vehicle must be found for full project
- » More complete service must be defined through collaboration with Information Science
- » Need for discussions, outreach, technology demo





First Steps in the Planning Process

- » Engaging with collaborative teams
 - NASA-USGS LP DAAC at EROS
 - UT Information Science colleagues
- » Establish Web outreach tools
 - Project Web site
 - Distribution of high demand MODIS products
- » Begin creation of outputs
 - MAAP planning document
 - Presentation on LN for MODIS community
- » Important Meetings
 - Earth Science Data System Working Group
 - American Geographic Union (Science Teams)





Thank you!

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