



Massachusetts Technology Collaborative

Mass Big Data: Progressive Growth through Strategic Collaboration

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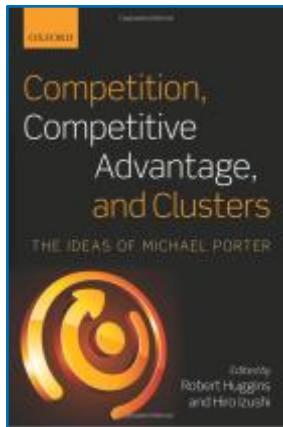
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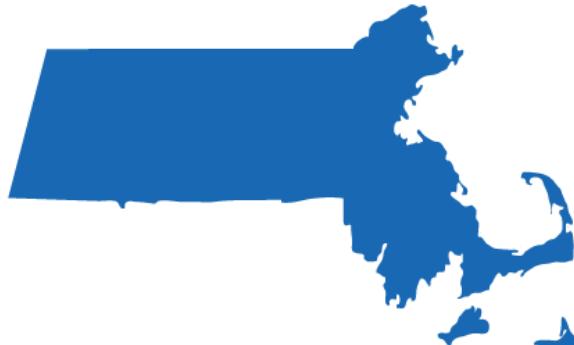
PARTNERING WITH THE INNOVATION INSTITUTE

Established by MA State Legislature in 2003, **The Innovation Institute at The Massachusetts Technology Collaborative** provides thought leadership and organizing concepts to sustain and grow the innovation economy, with implications for public policy.

Cluster Growth



Regional Growth



Matching Fund



Industry/Economic Analysis



State Investments

Invest **\$62M**

Leverage **\$347M**

High Value Projects



THE MASS BIG DATA INITIATIVE

FORMULA FOR GLOBAL LEADERSHIP

Mass Big Data Initiative

launched by Governor Patrick in 2012

- **500** Companies
- **10** leading research centers
- **5,600** graduates from **14** data science-related programs
- **\$2.5B** investment in **Big Data**
- **Highest Density** of **Big Data** talent in the US is in **MA**.



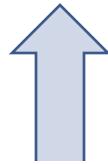
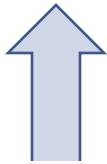
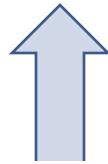
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Widely + readily referenced for cutting edge big data innovation in US + world

Dense concentration of best + brightest minds in big data

Myriad opportunities for small + large firms to invest, expand + profit from big data

State culture + public sector leaders committed to criticality of big data



Mass Big Data Mission

STRENGTHEN THE MASSACHUSETTS BIG DATA ECOSYSTEM



Strategic Approach

Raise awareness + interest in region's big data assets, players + successes

Develop + expand a highly-skilled big data workforce

Accelerate innovation + company growth through **novel collaborations**

Advance public access to state datasets + engage citizens in data activities

MASS BIG DATA SIGNATURE PARTNERSHIPS

Industry- Academia - Public Sector

- Mass Green High Performance Computing Center
- Mass Open Data Repository
- Massachusetts Open Cloud
- MassDOT data analysis and application development
- Mass Big Data Tech Treks
- Mass EduData Projects
- hack/reduce Ambassador Program



MASS OPEN CLOUD

An Open Computing Marketplace ...
Negotiating Whatever Services
you need from Multiple Vendors

3 year project to build public cloud that
will serve as a shared infrastructure in the
Commonwealth for running computationally
intensive and Big Data applications.



MASS OPEN CLOUD...CONT'D

- BU's Center for Cloud Innovation partnering with MGHPCC, its four partner universities, tech companies, and Oak Ridge National Lab
- Designed to embrace software, hardware, and services companies as partners in a multi-sided marketplace
- All stakeholders have access to operational data and cloud operations
- OCX (Open Cloud eXchange) system creates an open economic model where partners decide how to charge for their services
- OCX design reduces the responsibility of the provider and broadens the availability of performance and operational data
- MOC ecosystem created to generate economic development and innovation by engaging partners in the marketplace

MOC VALUE

Benefits to Commonwealth Users:

- Can move data into, within, and out of the cloud efficiently and inexpensively
- Can evaluate and use services from many vendors
- Access to large public data sets, including the public data sets of the Commonwealth.

Benefits to Industry

- Can integrate, test and certify HW and SW
- Demonstrate technologies for private and public clouds
- Evaluate (new) products with real customers at an early stage
- Engage with researchers and students; workforce development

Benefits to Academic Institutions:

- A unique platform for research on cloud computing
- Increased competitiveness for funding from federal agencies, foundations industrial partners.

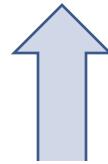
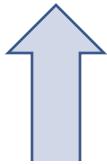
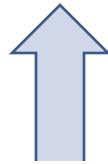
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Massachusetts Green High Performance Computing Center

National Academies GUIRR
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Northeastern



The MGHPCC Data Center and Consortium

A partnership between 5 universities....



Northeastern



HARVARD
UNIVERSITY

The Commonwealth, and industrial
sponsors

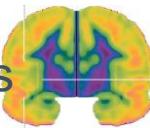


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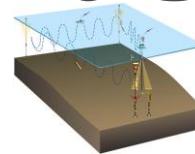
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Data-intensive Research in Massachusetts

Medical imaging analysis
(BU, Harvard, Children's Hospital)



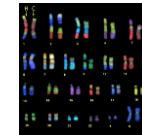
Instrumenting the ocean floor
(UMass, WHOI, MIT)



SCOPE
Smart-city Cloud-based
Open Platform and
Ecosystem (BU)

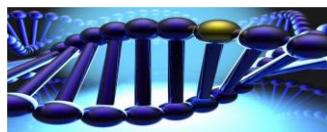


Understanding
Evolution
(UMass)

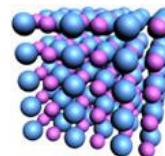


ATLAS/LHC
(BU,
Harvard)

Bicep2 / Gravity
Waves
(Harvard)



DNA samples -> Treatment
Strategies (UMass, MIT, Harvard
Medical)

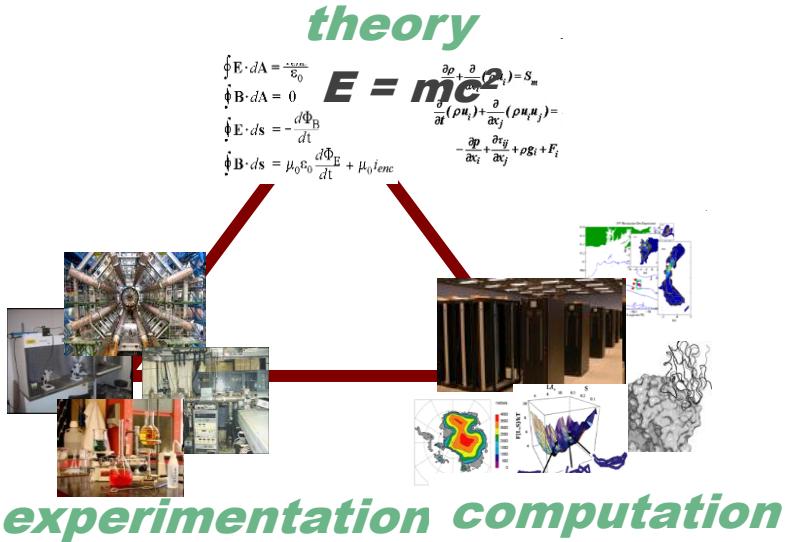


Computational Nanotechnology
(Northeastern, Harvard)

Three Works in Progress

- Regional data center dedicated to research computing
- University/Industry/Government research collaboration
- Regional economic development

Motivation



Computing is now the “third Leg”
of Science and Engineering”



2008



2012

Incremental expansion of
computing infrastructure no
longer sufficient

MGHPCC Data Center

10 MW for compute / 15MW total

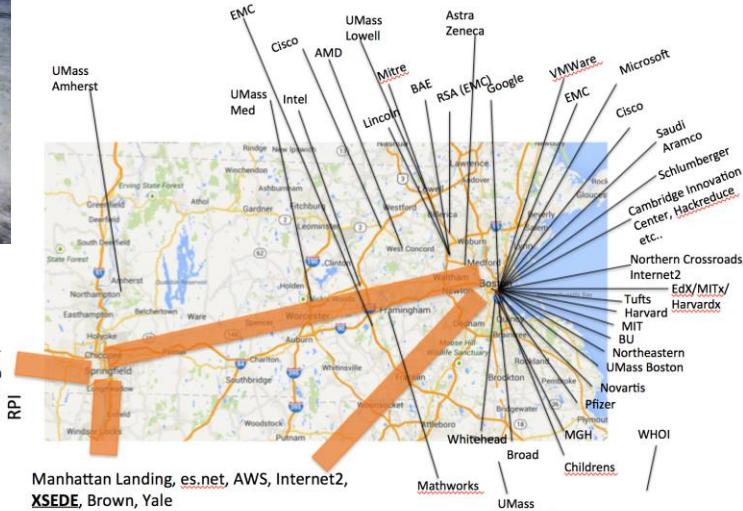
8 Acres and a 40MVA power feed for expansion



Green, low cost power
LEED platinum certification



Communication Crossroads



Research and Operational Collaboration

Seed Grant Program::

Multi-university collaboration
Potential to lead to larger initiatives
\$1M over 2 years

engaging1::

Science via traditional workflows and systems
Non-traditional workflows and technologies
Experiments with joint facilities integrated across
universities

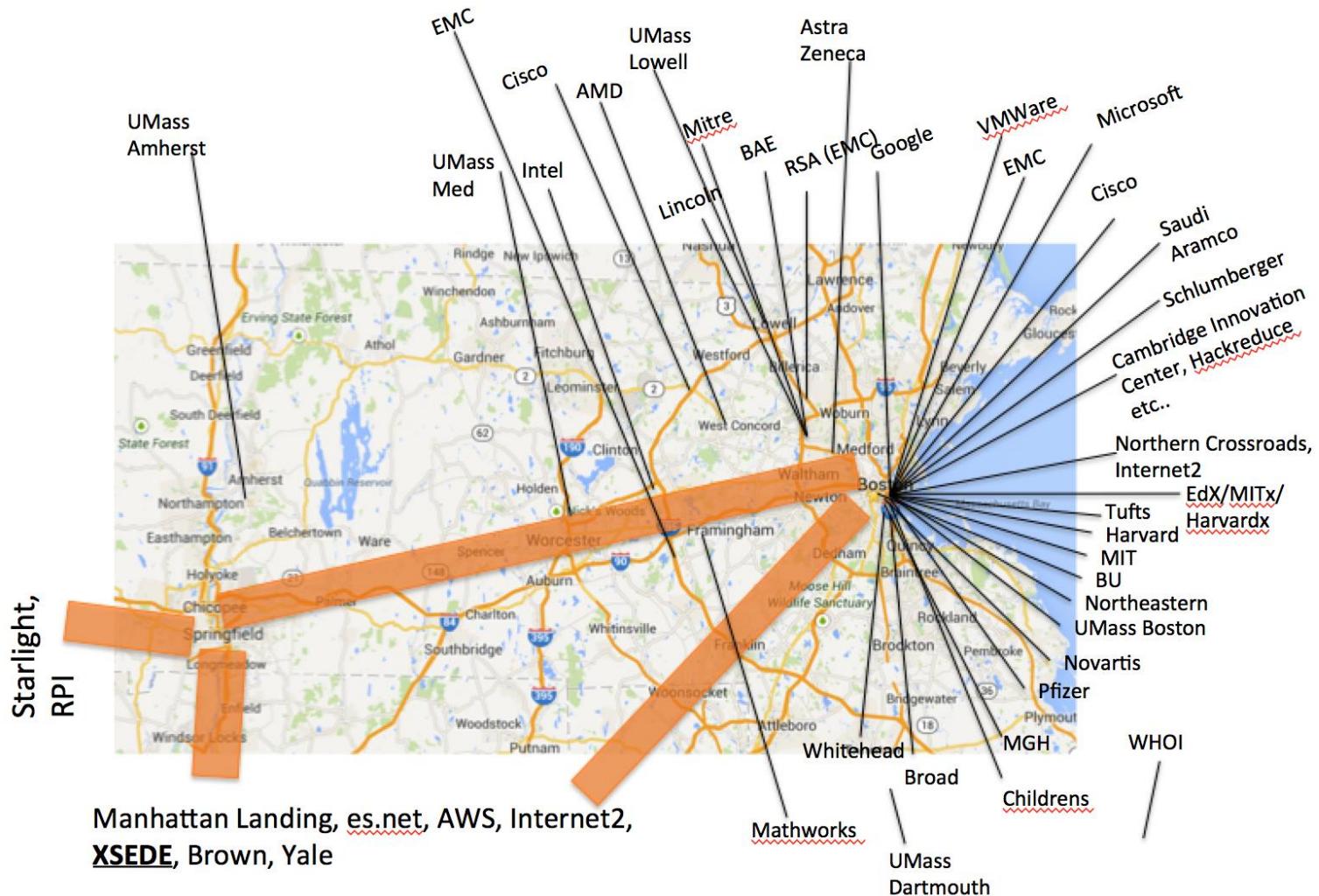
C3DDB::

Dedicated to Life Sciences research
University and industry user community
Mix of conventional and forward-looking
hardware

Mass Open Cloud::

New approach to cloud computing infrastructure
More than a dozen university, industry and government
collaborators

Economic Impact



The Next Generation



Hands-on
Construction
Engineering
Classroom



Innovation
District Task
Force



Education Opportunities
Workshop



Cisco
Network
Academy



Educators
Conference



Clean Energy
Innovation
Workshop



Smart Meter
Project



Science in the
Cloud



Scholarshi
p Fund



Girls Inc
Robotics
Competition
www.mghpcc.org

Closing Thoughts

- What we have done so far
 - **Deliver Operationally**
2 years successful collaboration on common infrastructure
 - **Show Research Collaboration Proof Points**
Pooling resources across institutions can deliver powerful results
 - **Catalyze Near Term and Longer Term Economic Impact**
Research and education

MGHPC

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UNIVERSITY

Northeastern

Bigelow Street

Park

