

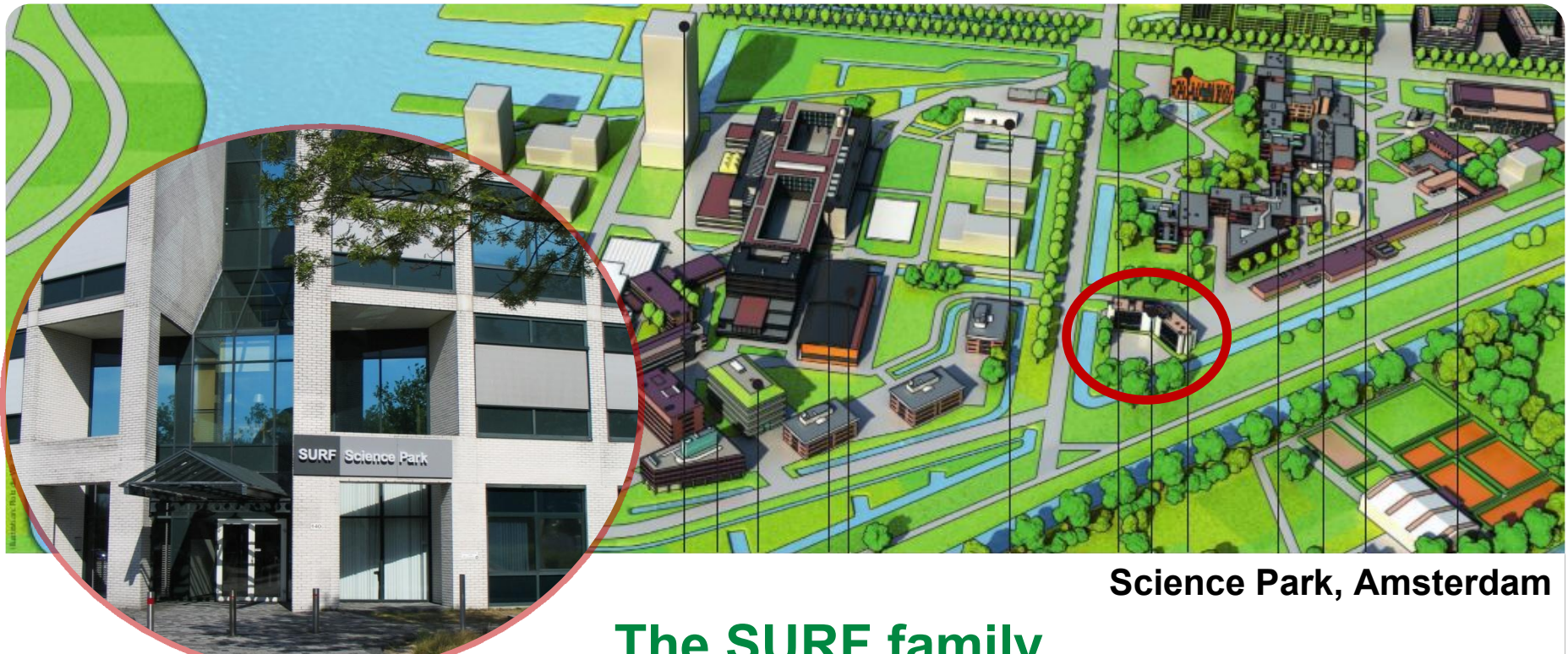
# HPC Cloud at SURFsara

— Offering cloud as a service



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## The SURF family

**SURF**

**SURF SARA**

**SURF NET**

**SURF MARKET**

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# A definition: cloud computing

## Essential characteristics:

- On-demand self-service
- Broad network access
- Resource pooling
- Rapid elasticity
- Measured service

## Service models:

- Software as a Service (SaaS)
- Platform as a Service (PaaS)
- Infrastructure as a Service (IaaS)



**Examples?**

# Agenda

- 1.- SURFsara's HPC Cloud **service**
- 2.- **User** experience
- 3.- Demo

# SURFsara's HPC Cloud service



**SURF** SARA

# What do we (SURFsara) want to offer?

## Services for **scientists**

...scientists  $\nrightarrow$  systems gurus

... complex users' problems

- **Data:** big, dirty, non-structured...
- **Computation:** complex (e.g.: modeling, simulation)
- **Libraries nightmare**
  - 3rd party, incompatibility, maintenance...

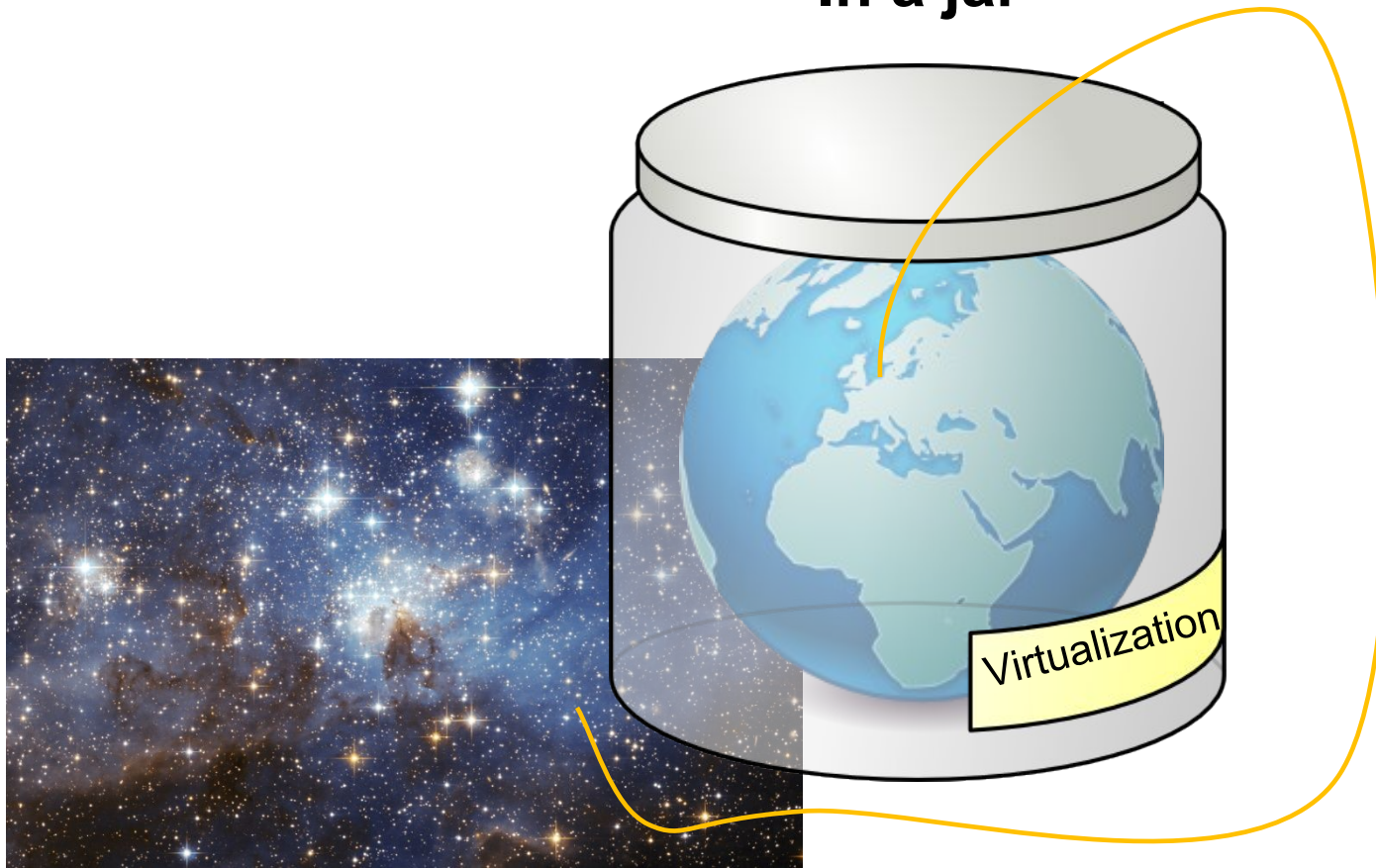


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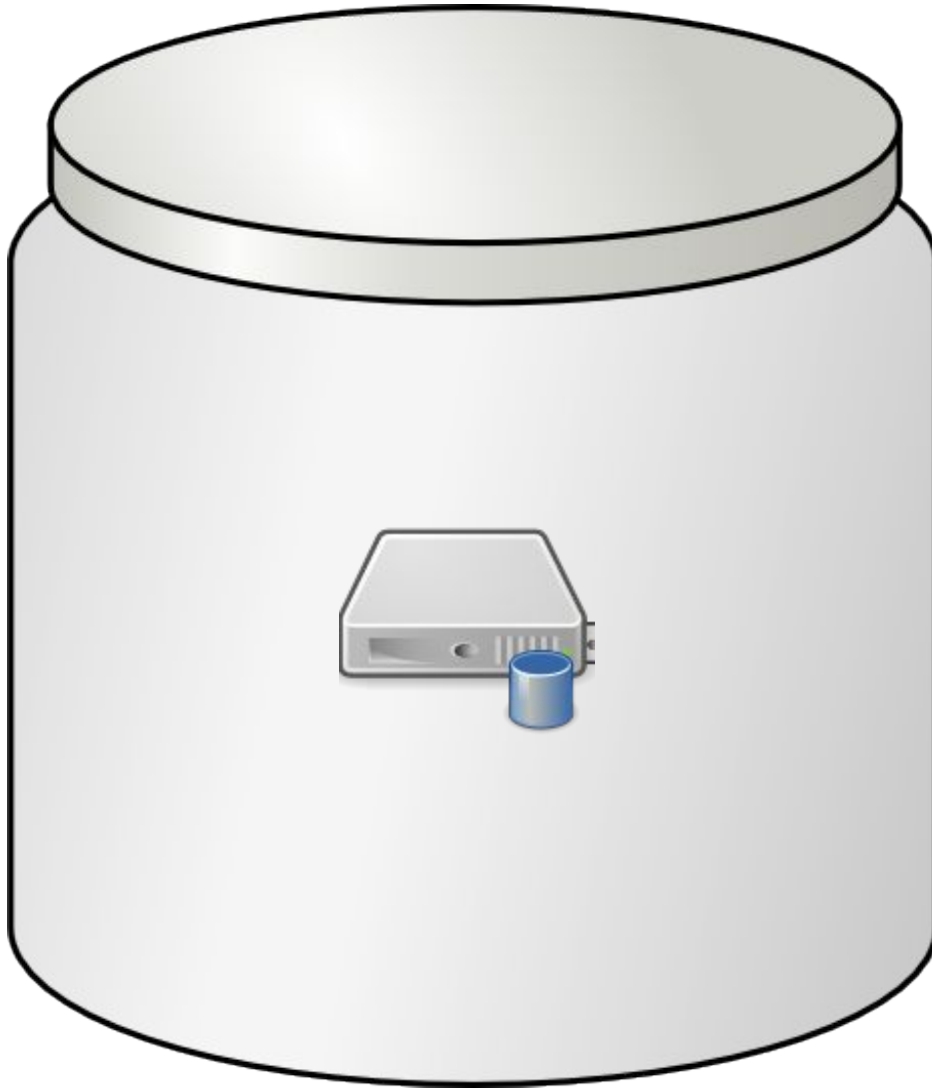
... trial and error    ... share    ... cooperate  
... test    ... scratch    ... show    ... flexibility    ... privacy

# What does our HPC Cloud offer?

In a jar



# What do you see, as a user?



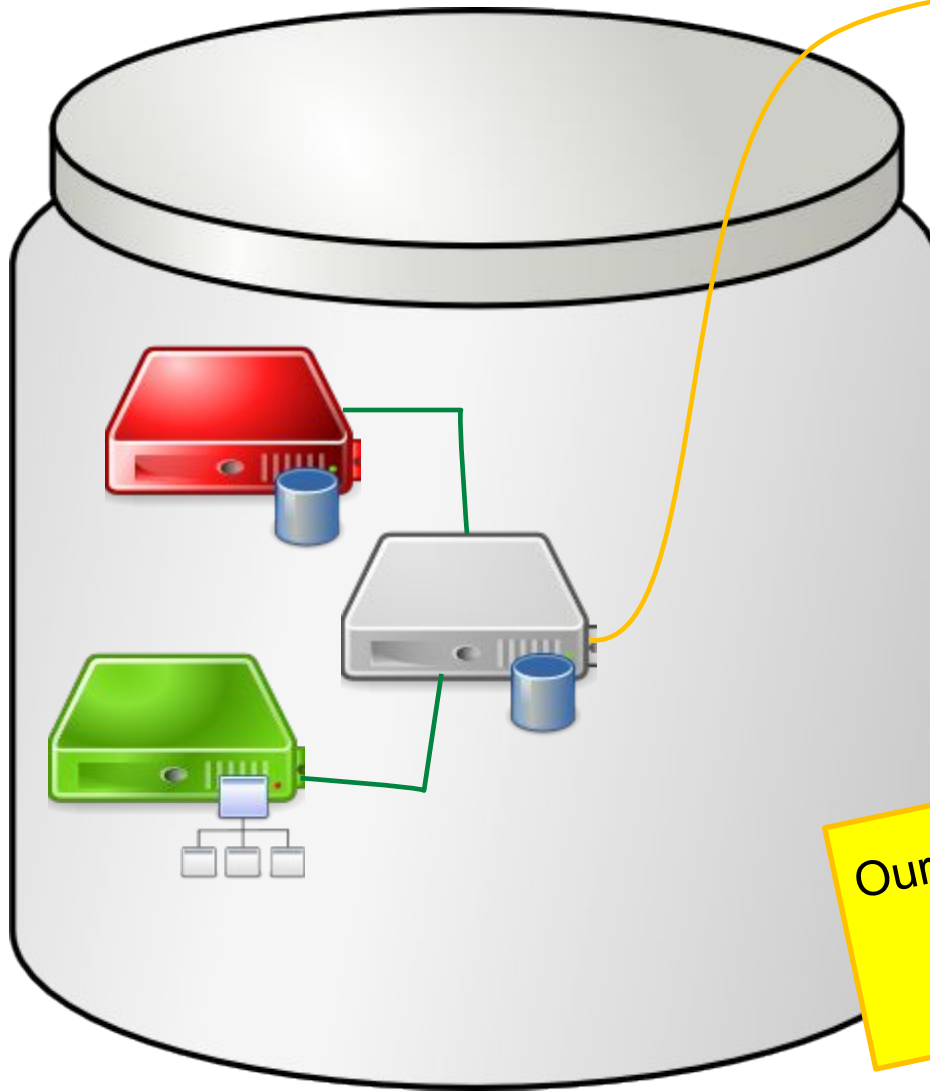
## A place to build a running system

Build your own (virtual) machine:

- Hardware
  - CPU
  - Memory
  - Input/Output
    - Disk
    - Network interfaces
- Software
  - Operating System
  - Programs
  - Libraries



# What do you see, as a user? (and II)



**A place to build a bunch of systems**

Build your own cluster:

- Private network
- Internet access



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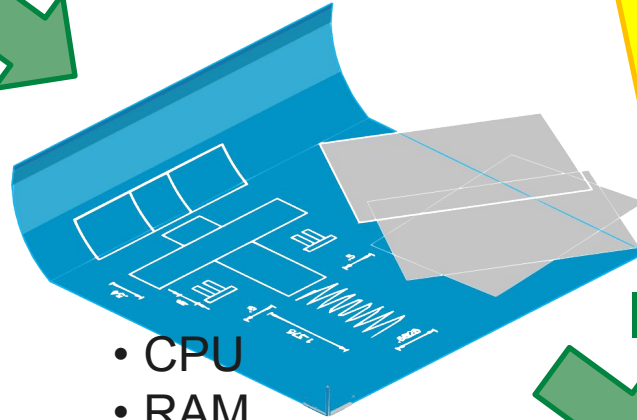
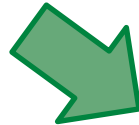
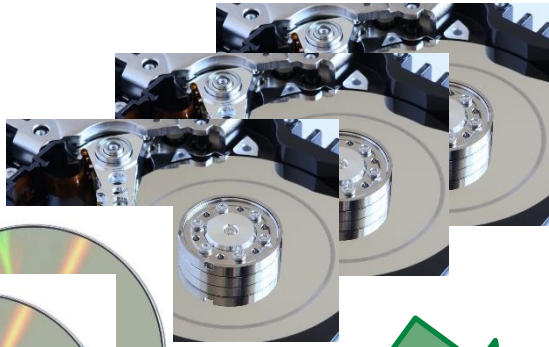
**IaaS**

Powered by...  
**OpenNebula**

# User experience



# IaaS: Your place to run VMs



- CPU
- RAM
- I/O

- Disks
- Network

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**Template**

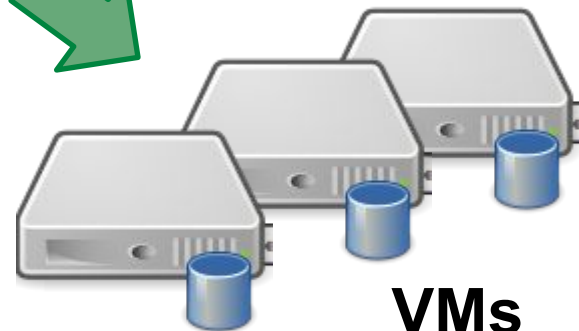
- Data store
- Persistency
- ...

**Images**

Check out the Apps!

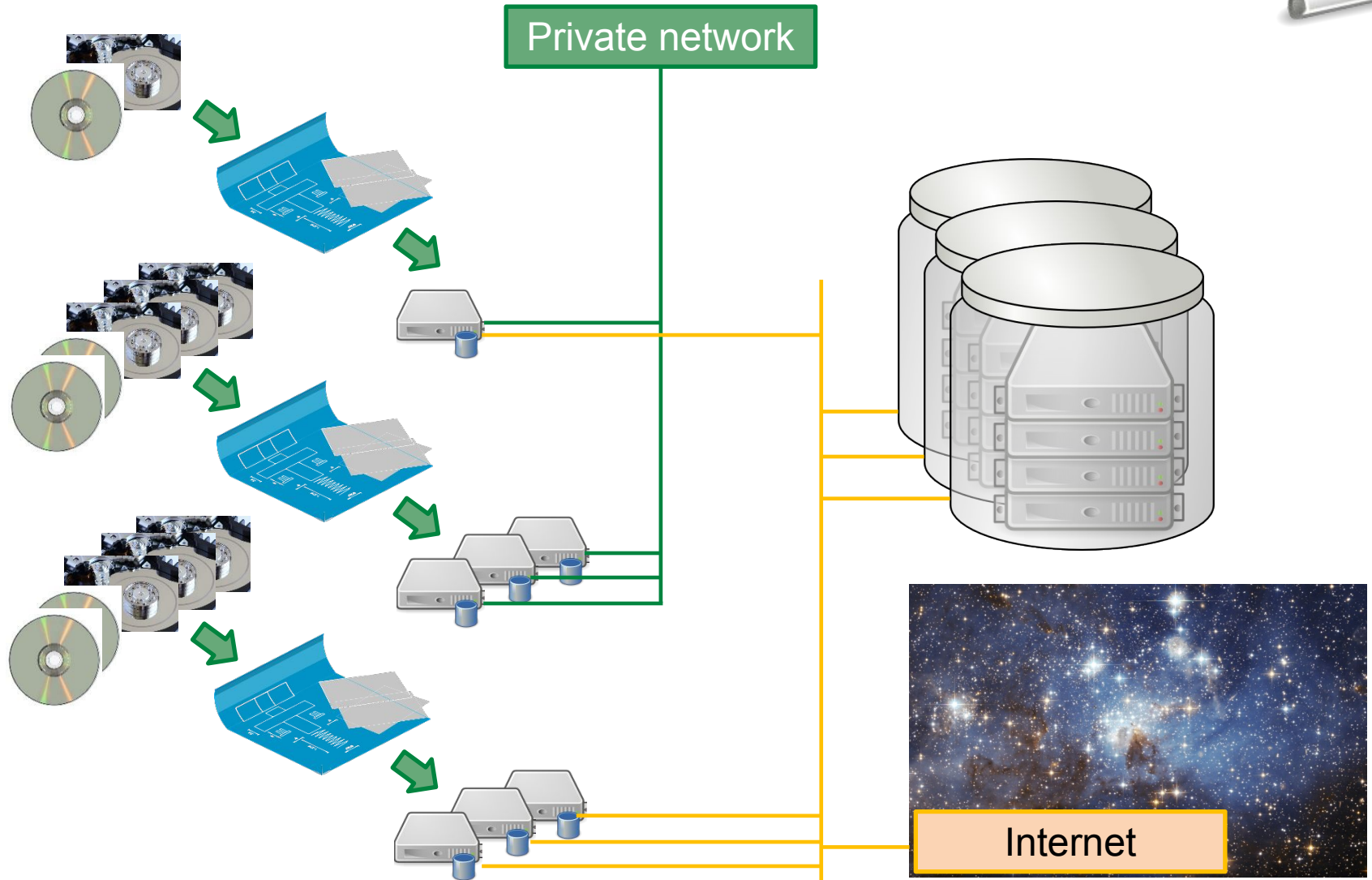


Instantiate



**VMs**

# IaaS: your interconnected VMs





## HPC

- **Many** nodes
  - **Big** nodes
- **Fast** interconnect
- **Plenty** of storage
  - **Diverse** storage
- **Large** memory

## Cloud

- Multi-purpose **versatility**
- Shape **elasticity**
- **Self-service** on-demand

## Service

- Project-based
  - Own quotas
  - Private network
  - Block storage
- Dynamic DNS
- Documentation
- Support

## OpenNebula

- Web interface
- User groups
- Pre-built Apps
- Accounting



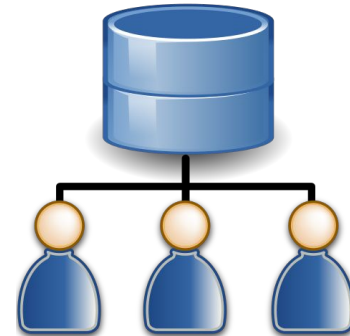


Per **project**



User accounts

Ceph



CPU time

Local SSD





## Users **like** & **leverage**...

- Flexible software **mix**
- **Big** VMs
- **Elasticity**
- Provide their own service to **their own users**
- Software that requires **licenses**
- Set up, test and deploy **workflows**
- Deliver training; **courses**
- **Intensive** computing

...from diverse **fields**:

- Biology
- Genetics
- Informatics
- Chemistry
- Ecology
- Linguistics
- Robotics
- Business
- Social sciences
- Engineering
- Humanities
- Water management
- ...

Demo



**Request:** <https://e-infra.surfsara.nl>  
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