

CLEANER, FAME, and CYBERINFRASTRUCTURE

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CLEANER

Collaborative Large-scale *Engineering Analysis Network* for Environmental Research

An initiative of the Environmental Engineering Program in NSF's Engineering Division

CLEANER (*click hyperlink to learn details about CLEANER*) will be a networked infrastructure of environmental field facilities to enable formulation and development of engineering and policy options for restoring and protecting environmental resources.

see <http://cleaner.ce.berkeley.edu>



ELEMENTS OF *CLEAMER*

1. A **network** of highly instrumented field facilities for acquisition and analysis of environmental data
2. A **virtual repository** of data and information technology for engineering modeling, analysis and visualization of data, i.e. an **environmental cyberinfrastructure**
3. A mechanism for multi-disciplinary research and education to exploit instrumented sites and networked information; formulate engineering and policy options to protect, remediate, and restore stressed environments and promote sustainable environmental resources
4. A **collaboration** among engineers, natural and social scientists, educators, policy makers, industry, NGOs, the public, and other stakeholders

CLEANER Workshop 1:

Stanford University, December 2001

Defining the concept of CLEANER

CLEANER Workshop 2: *(click hyperlink for workshop report and agenda, which is linked to workshop presentations)*

University of Minnesota, October 2002

Defining the concept of environmental field facilities (EFFs); sensor development; and cyberinfrastructure

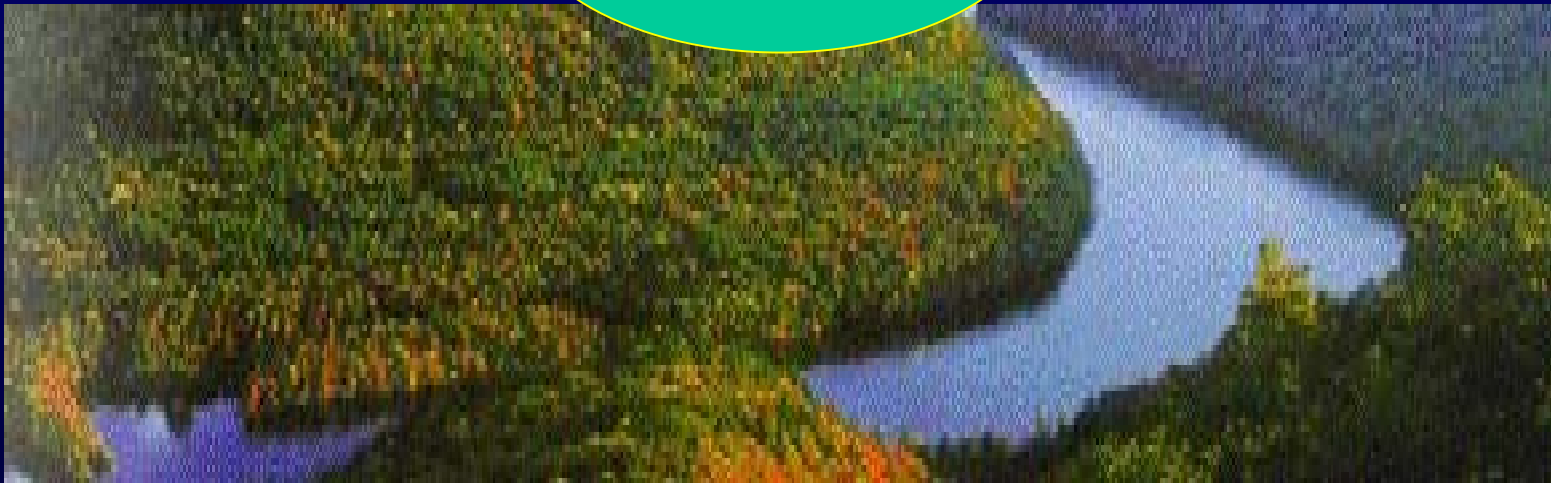
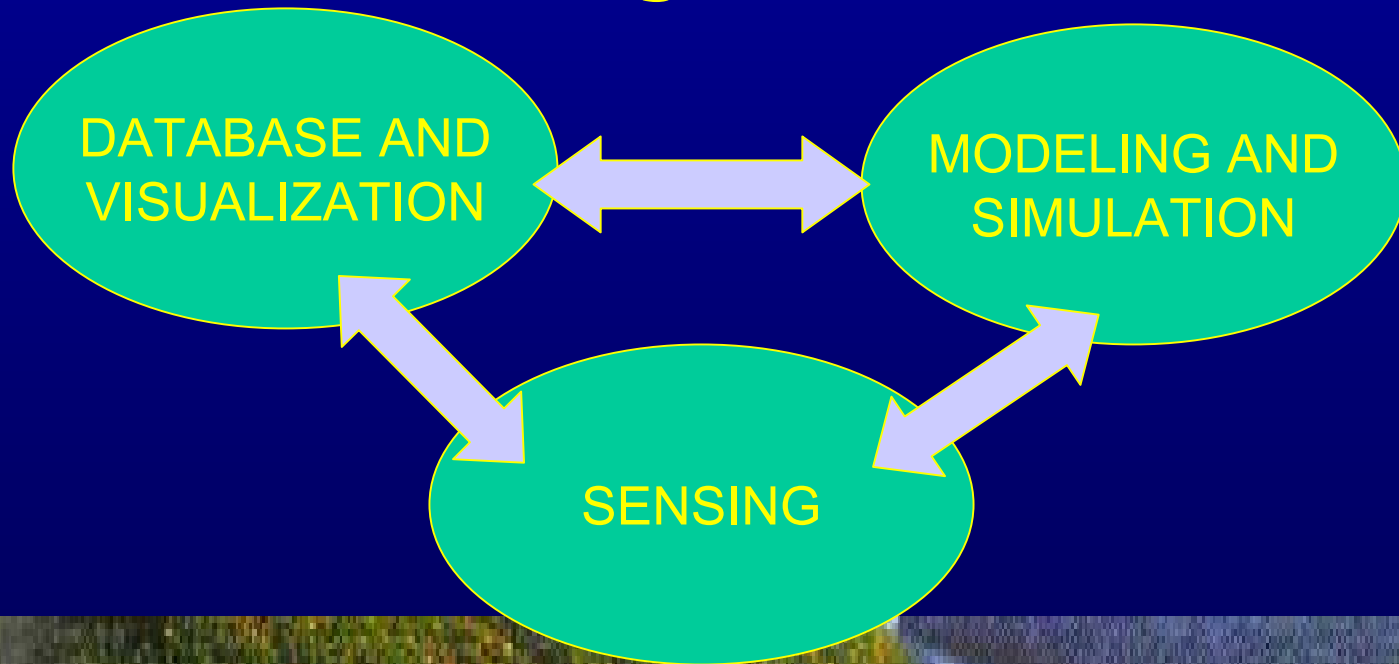
CLEANER Workshop 3:

Duke University, February 2003

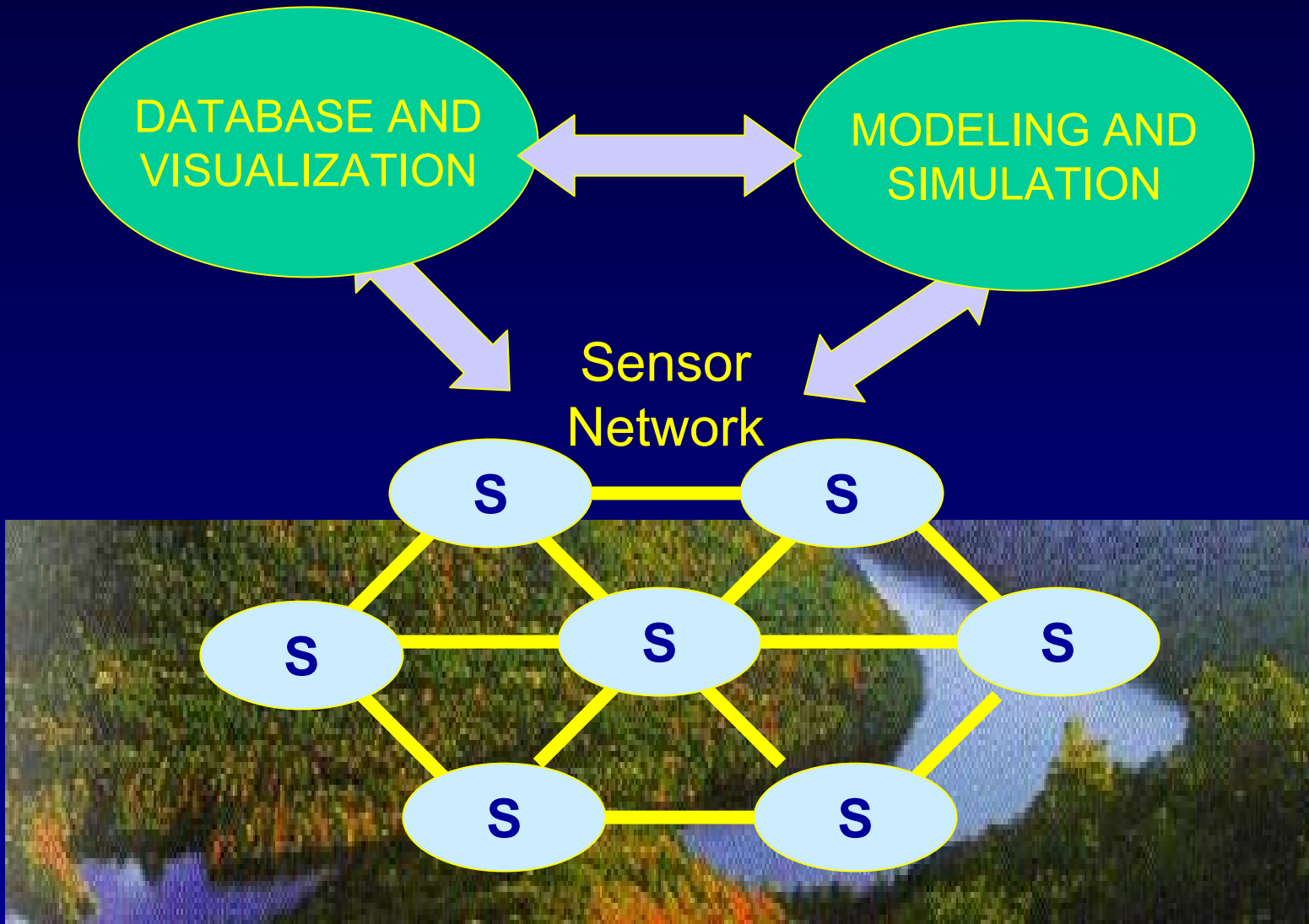
Developing ideas for environmental field facilities, cyberinfrastructure needs, and engineering analysis networks



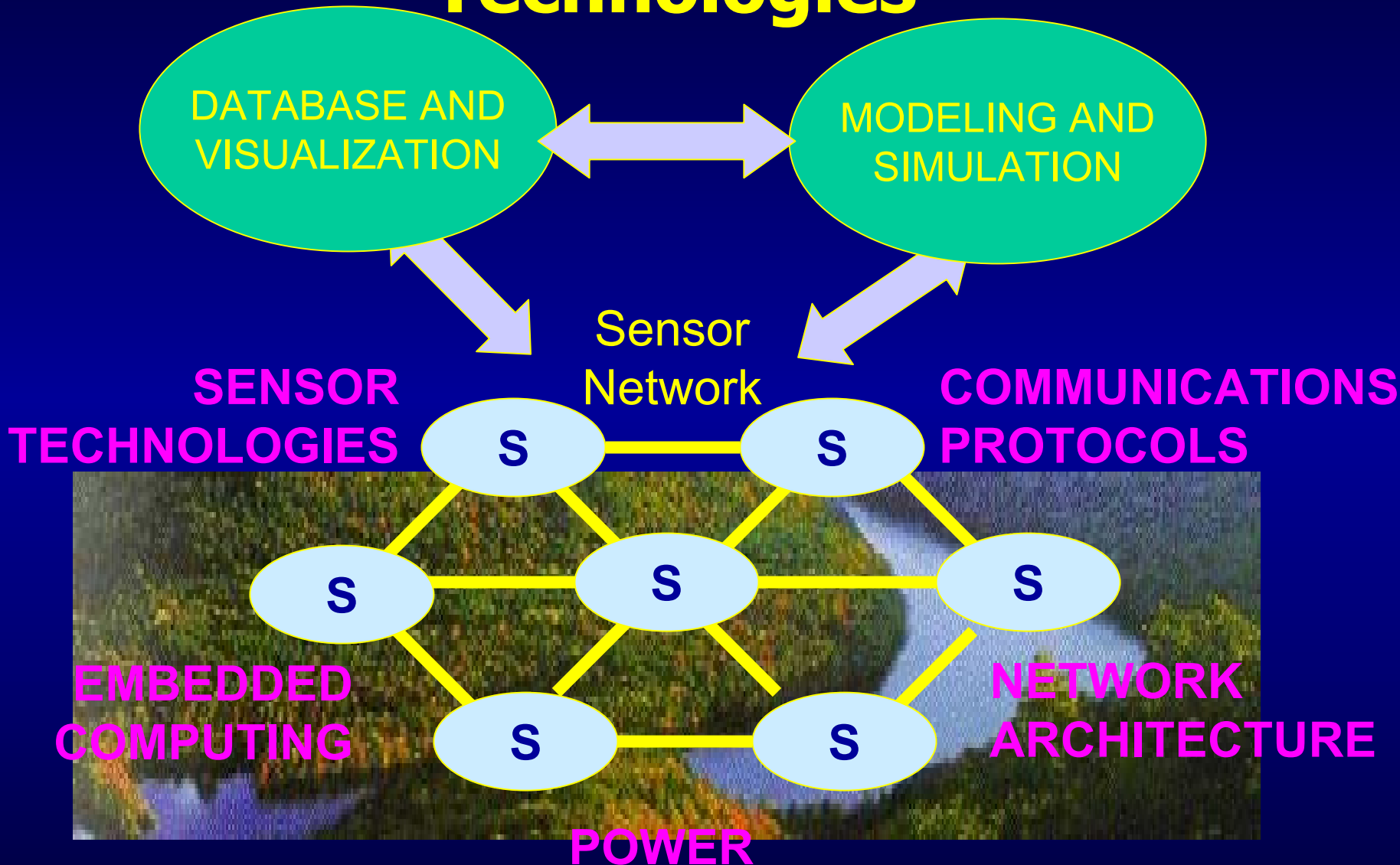
Three elements of environmental monitoring in *CLEAMER*



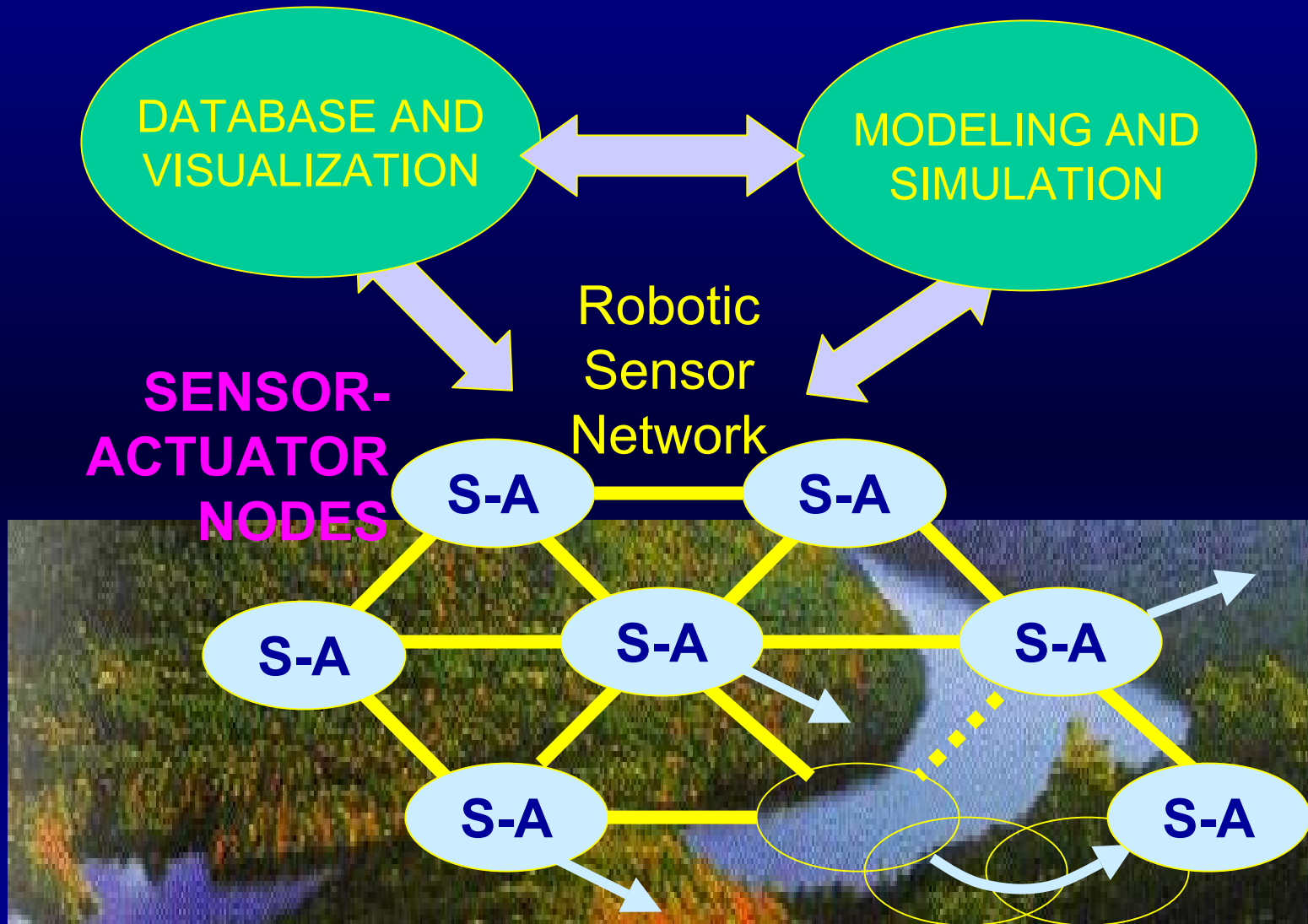
Distributed Sensor Nets



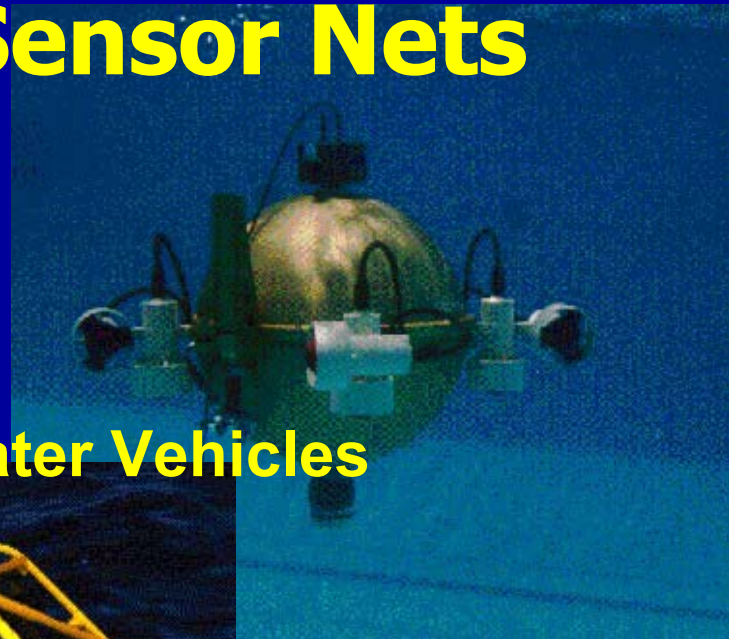
Distributed Sensor Net Technologies



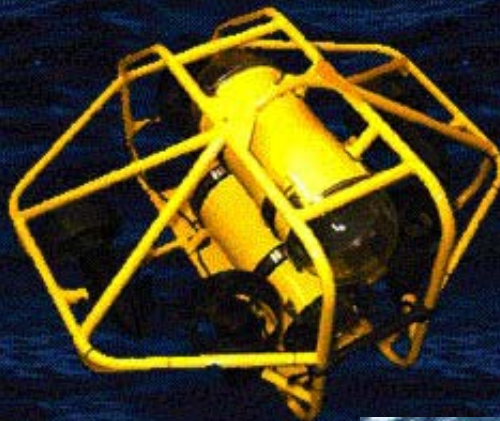
Distributed Robotic Sensor Nets



Distributed Robotic Sensor Nets



Autonomous Underwater Vehicles



Photos courtesy of Art Sanderson, RPI

Key Technologies – Devices and Hardware

Integrated Sensor Microsystems

- Systems on a chip

- Specific chemical and physical sensitivity

Pervasive Computing

- Local processing

- Signal compression

- Low power

Wireless Communications

- Transmitter, Receivers, Protocols

- Electromagnetic, Ultrasound

Node Mobility and Robotics

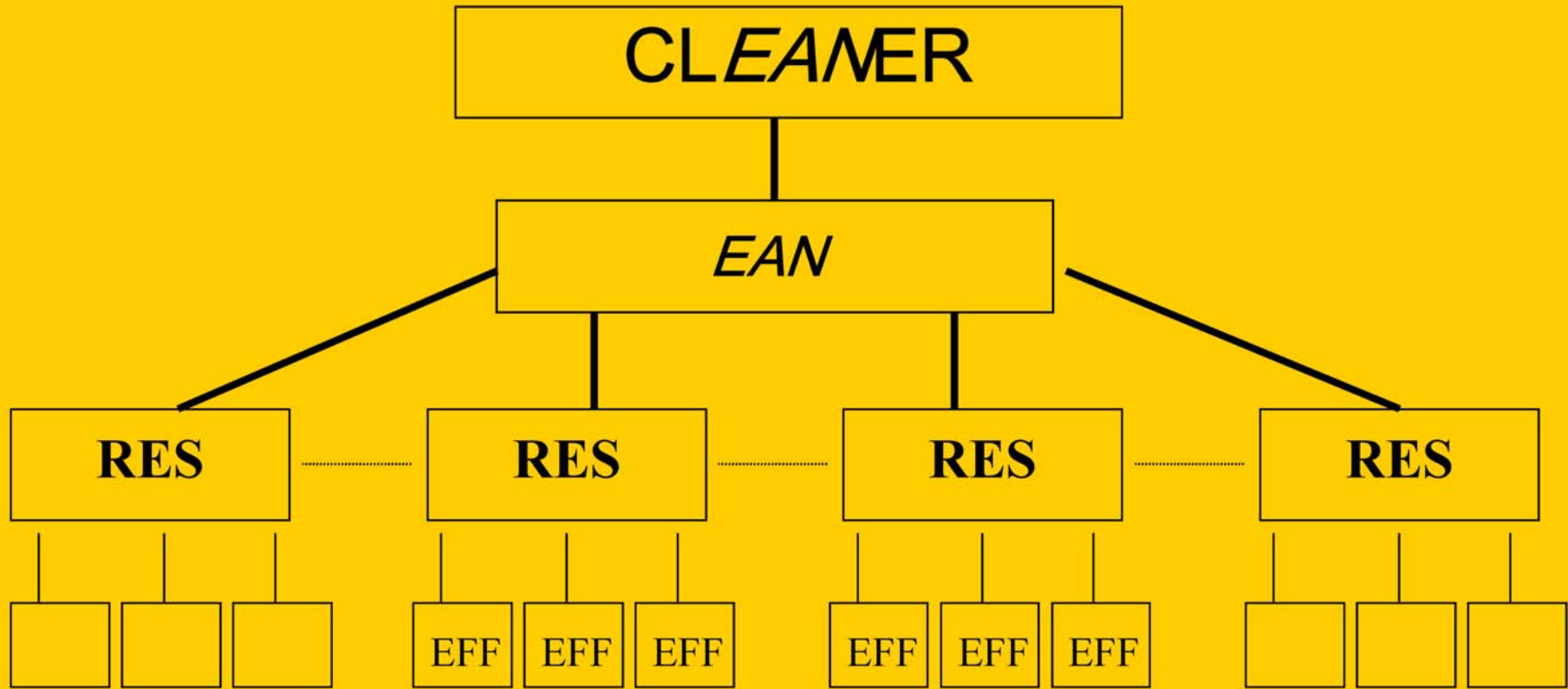
- Locomotion principles – land, water, air

- Degrees of freedom

- Power



CLEANER Research Structure



EAN = Engineering Analysis Network

RES = Regional Environmental Systems

EFF = Environmental Field Facilities

LARGE-SCALE ENVIRONMENTAL CHALLENGES: THE ENGINEERING APPROACH

Objectives for an Engineering Analysis Network (*EAM*):

- **Pursue a synthesis** of the knowledge base on anthropogenically-stressed, large-scale, geographically-distributed, but interdependent systems/regions (RES).
- Foster and exploit new developments in information sensing, imaging, transmission, storage, processing, and visualization.
- Quantify fluxes of materials and energy changed due to anthropogenic impacts over time **at a cross-regional scale**.
- Identify hierarchies (scale and complexity) of environmental systems and their linkages through integrated assessment models for engineering implementation.

Cyberinfrastructure Issues for *CLEANER*

Needs

- Close, real-time collaboration among engineers/scientists at different locations (EFFs, RESs, the EAN): key to the vision and success of *CLEANER*
- Easy access to numerous, large and and very diverse types of databases
- Simple to use: environmental engineers/scientists have low “pain threshold” regarding the cyber learning curve
- Some high-end computing needs for large-scale models and molecular-scale calculations

Analogy to NEES

Data issues for *CLEANER* are similar to those articulated for NEES in the presentation by Cherri Pancake. If anything, the data issues in *CLEANER* will be even more complicated because of the very high diversity of types of environmental data *CLEANER* engineers will use.

Environmental data to be used in CLEANER are characterized by very high diversity with respect to:

- **spatial scales:** from molecular to global
- **temporal scales:** from sub-second to decades (or longer)
- **types of sensors used to obtain data:** from nano- and micro-scale to large-scale satellite sensors
- **types of variables:** physical, chemical, all kinds of biological, including non-numeric information
- **storage sites and owners:** government agencies at all levels, universities, private entities; numerous "grey databases" (not easily found/accessed); analogous to the "grey literature"

**Frontiers in Assessment Methods for
the Environment (FAME)**

(click to visit FAME Web site and learn details about the symposium)

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Minneapolis, August 10-13, 2003



FAME SYMPOSIUM TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

MONDAY, August 11

Opening Session

Chris Maziar: *Welcome*

Margaret Leinen: *NSF's vision for 21st century environmental research*

Sensor sessions:

Joe Hartman: *Low energy chemical sensors for ground-water contaminants*

Cliff Ho: *Solid-state electrometric chemical sensors*

Judith Erb: *Fiber optics bio-sensors*

Babak Ziaie: *MEMS technology*

John Kelly: *PCR on a chip*; Erdogan Gulari; *Proteomics on a chip*

Patrick Brezonik: *Remote sensing by satellite imagery*

Hans Paerl: *Airborne hyperspectral remote sensing*

Tonya Clayton: *Airborne lidar for aquatic investigations*

In situ Instruments, Arrays, Profilers

Ken Johnson: *In situ optical instruments for coastal contaminants*

Sally MacIntyre: *Measuring turbulence across spatial scales*

Bill Flanery: *In situ chemical and biological monitors*

Ron Calhoun: *Measuring aerosol properties by lidar and aerosol mass spectrometry*

Steve Oncley: *Atmospheric instrumentation*

Poster session

TUESDAY, August 12

Opening session

Ken Reckhow: *Preparing for a new era of environmental engineering research*

Modeling

Dominic DiToro: *Linked hydrodynamic/chemical-biological process models*

Bernard Engel: *Distributed watershed models*

Pete Loucks: *Ecological response – habitat models*

Don Mackay: *Organic chemical – fate/transport*

Christine Shoemaker: *Uncertainty analysis in modeling*

Joe Fernando: *Atmospheric transport models*

Cyberinfrastructure

Gary Olson: *Overview*

Robert Edson: *Web portals*

Barbara Minsker and Tom Prudhomme: *D2K: data to knowledge via cyberinfrastructure*

Education/Curriculum

Jim Bonner: *Coordinated research and education program*

George Host: *WOW and RUSS*

Andria Costello: *Field-based environmental engineering education in the Adirondacks*

Poster Session

WEDNESDAY, August 13

Examples of large-scale projects

William Boicourt: *In situ arrays in the Chesapeake Bay*

Jim Hurley: *METAALICUS*

Paul Capel: *Vision for a 21st century NAWQA*

Peter Adriaens: *A groundwater contamination field site*

Applications of CLEANER Concept to Solve Problems

Jon Fink: *Example of an urban EFF*

Jeff Peirce: *Example of a watershed-estuary EFF*

Ron Regal: *A process for representative site selection*

Orie Loucks: *Engineering Analysis Network – a key component of CLEANER*

Dick Luthy, Jerry Schnoor, Joan Rose, Nick Clesceri, **closing Panel**