

System and Network Engineering

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Overview

- Some history
- Where are we now
- What's next
- Some anecdotal stories
- Thanks

Some history

- Fascination for technology inspired by uncle, electronics, space age
- During early highschool I drove the physics teachers to madness with questions on symmetry breaking (weak interaction) 1 book in town lib
- Ended up studying Physics at TH-Delft, hence the ir. title
- PhD in Physics on Exotic Atoms, experiments at PSI Villeggen, NIKHEF and occasionally visiting CERN
- Assistant professor in “Fysische Informatica” at Uni Utrecht
- Associate professor Advanced Networks at Univ. Amsterdam
- Full professor System and Network Engineering at Univ. Amsterdam

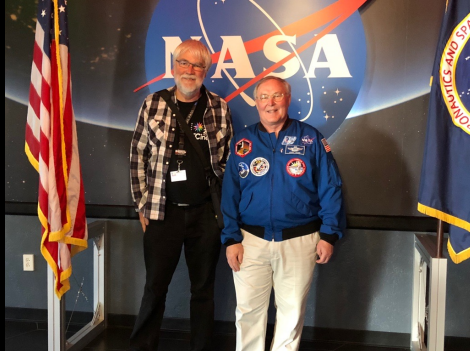
Finally got to attend a launch – STS88



Dec 1998



In oct 2018 – Jerry Ross



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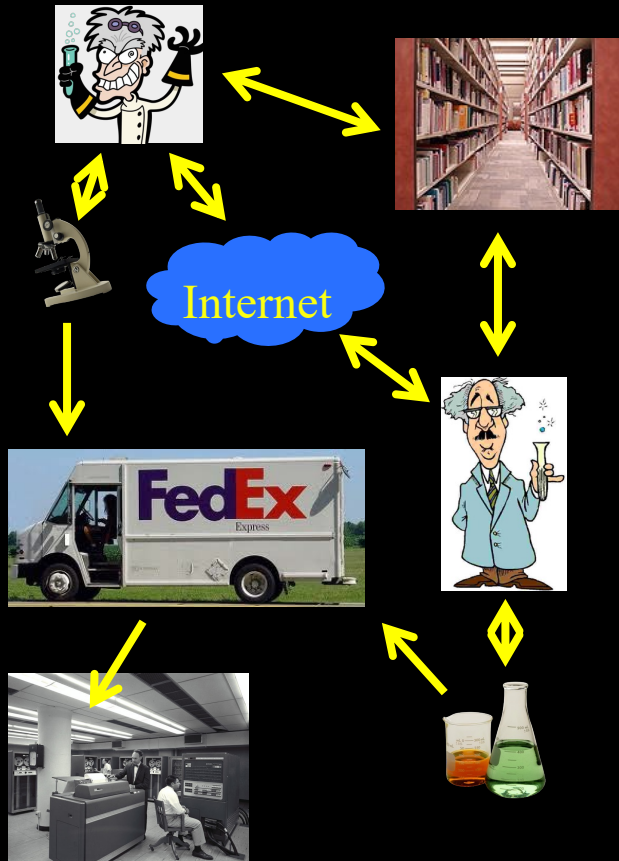


The constant factor is Change!

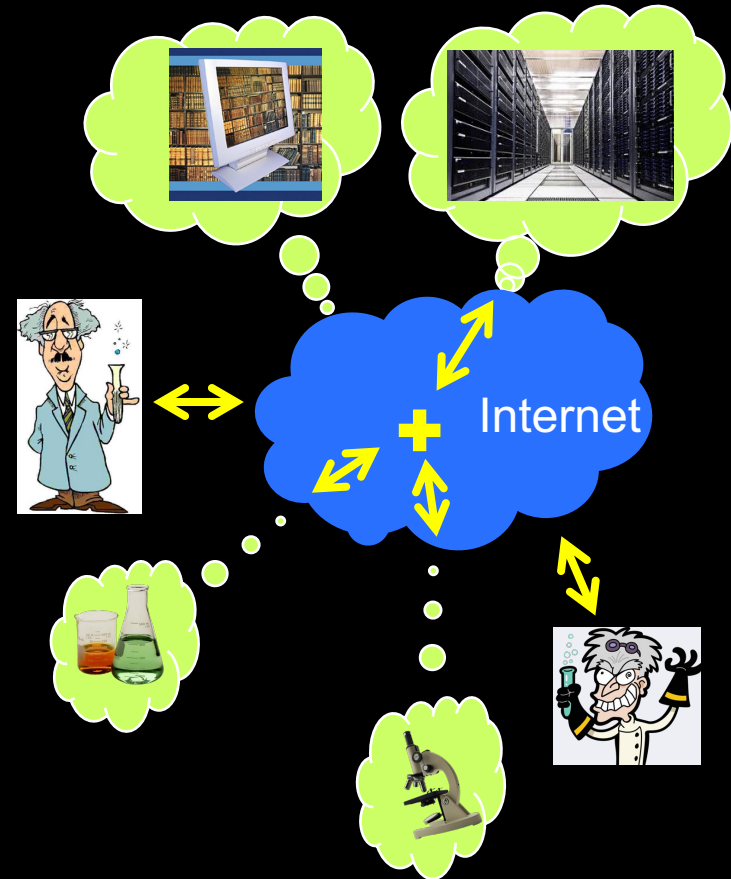
- Physics
- Data Acquisition and processing, VxWorks, RTlinux
- Networks (decnet, TCP/IP)
- Internet – Capacity, Architecture and Authorisation
- GRID - Cloud
- DATA - data aware internet - AMdEX
- Sovereignty, autonomy and security
- Common theme: Multi Domain Issues
- **Change about every 5 year!**

Virtual Laboratories

pre 2000



post 2000



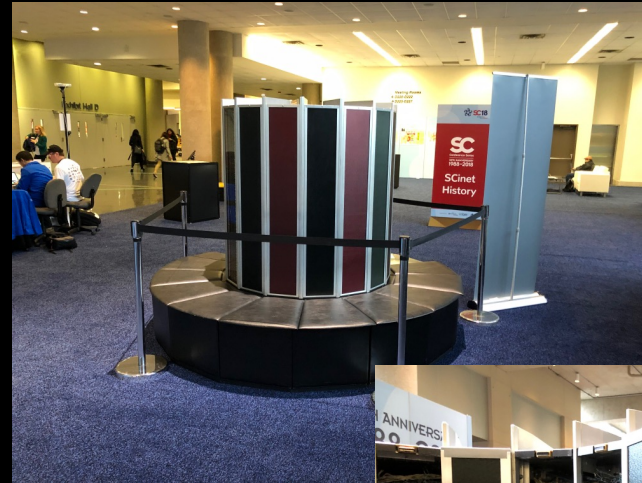
Some progress

2018

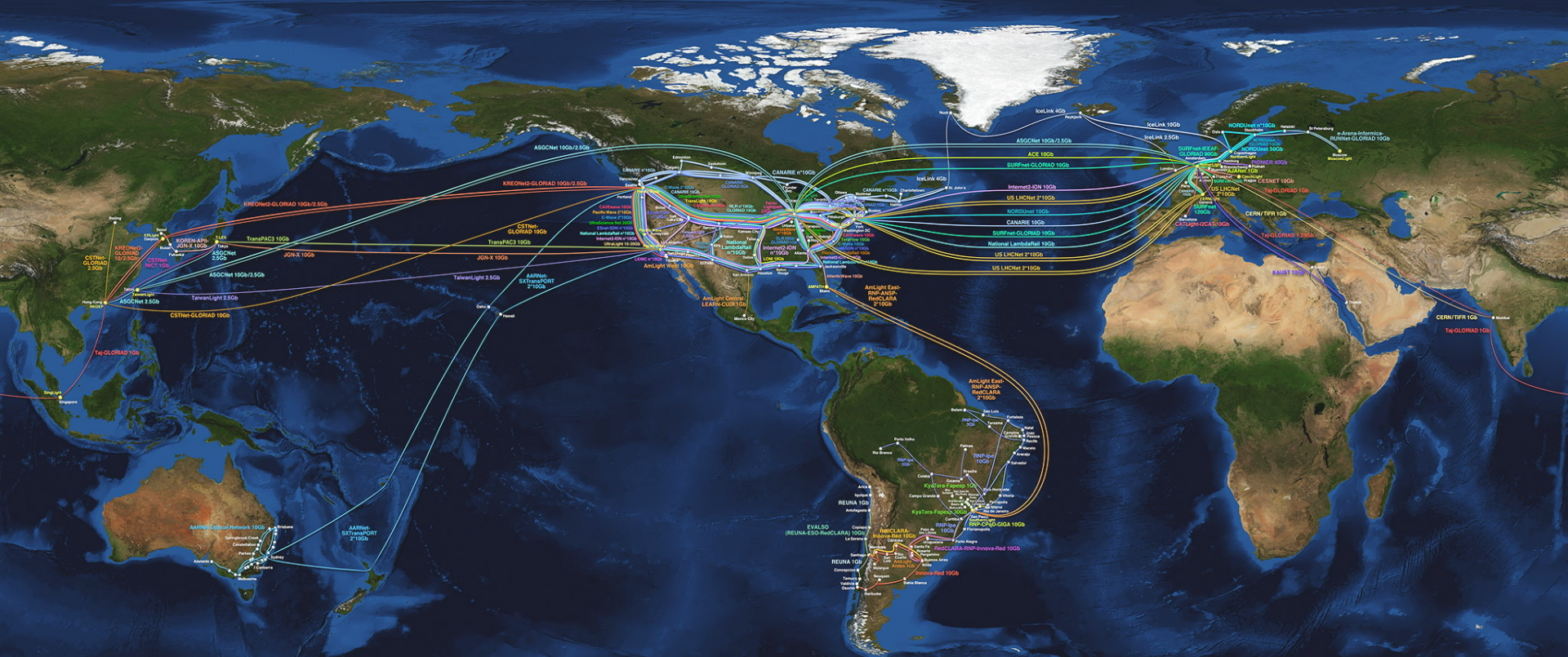
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300 MByte disks
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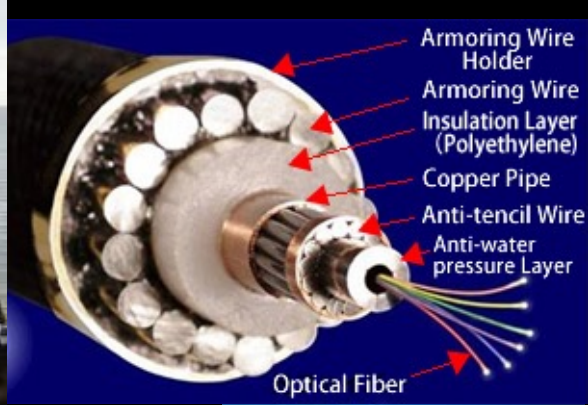
We research:  for complex networks!



GLIF Map 2011: Global Lambda Inter

asa.gov www.glif.is





The voltages applied to the cables can be high **3,000 to 4,000 volts** for a typical trans-Atlantic telecommunications cable system, and 1,000 volts for a cross-channel telecommunications cable system.



Undersea Cable HV

Alien light From idea to realisation!



40Gb/s alien wavelength transmission via a multi-vendor 10Gb/s DWDM infrastructure



Alien wavelength advantages

- Direct connection of customer equipment^[1]
→ cost savings
- Avoid OEO regeneration → power savings
- Faster time to service^[2] → time savings
- Support of different modulation formats^[2]
→ extend network lifetime

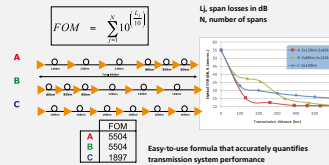
Alien wavelength challenges

- Complex end-to-end optical path engineering in terms of linear (i.e. OSNR, dispersion) and non-linear (FWM, SPM, XPM, Raman) transmission effects for different modulation formats.
- Complex interoperability testing.
- End-to-end monitoring, fault isolation and resolution.
- End-to-end service activation.

In this demonstration we will investigate the performance of a 40Gb/s PM-QPSK alien wavelength installed on a 10Gb/s DWDM infrastructure.

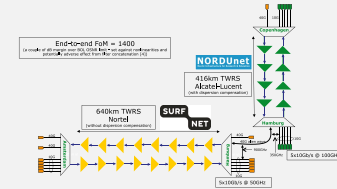
New method to present fiber link quality, FoM (Figure of Merit)

In order to quantify optical link grade, we propose a new method of representing system quality: the FoM (Figure of Merit) for concatenated fiber spans.

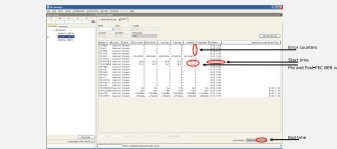


Transmission system setup

JOINT SURFnet/NORDUnet 40Gb/s PM-QPSK alien wavelength DEMONSTRATION.



Test results



Error-free transmission for 23 hours, 17 minutes → BER < 3,0 10⁻¹⁵

Conclusions

- We have investigated experimentally the all-optical transmission of a 40Gb/s PM-QPSK alien wavelength via a concatenated native and third party DWDM system that both were carrying live 10Gb/s wavelengths.
- The end-to-end transmission system consisted of 1056 km of TWRS (TrueWave Reduced Slope) transmission fiber.
- We demonstrated error-free transmission (i.e. BER below 10⁻¹⁵) during a 23 hour period.
- More detailed system performance analysis will be presented in an upcoming paper.



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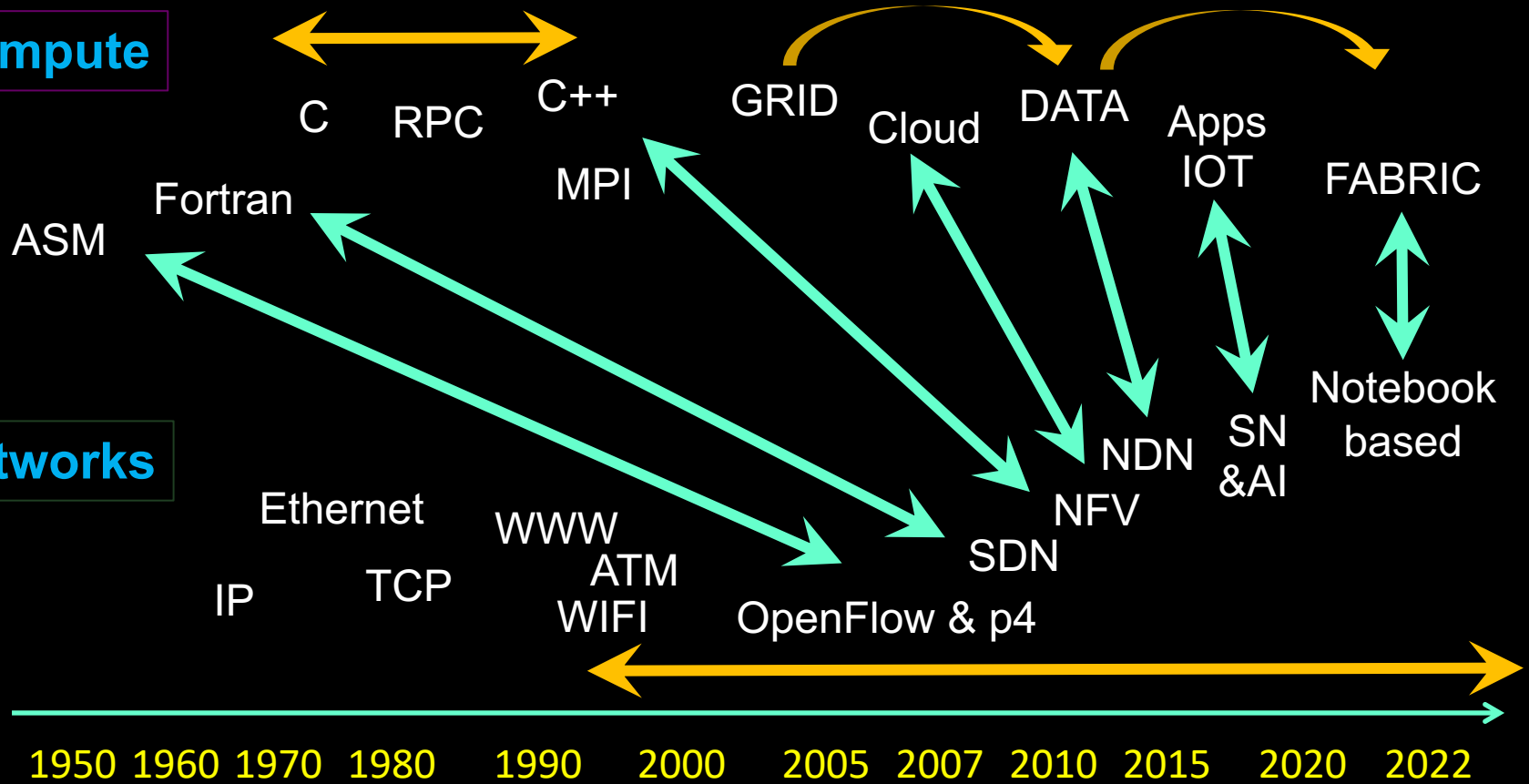
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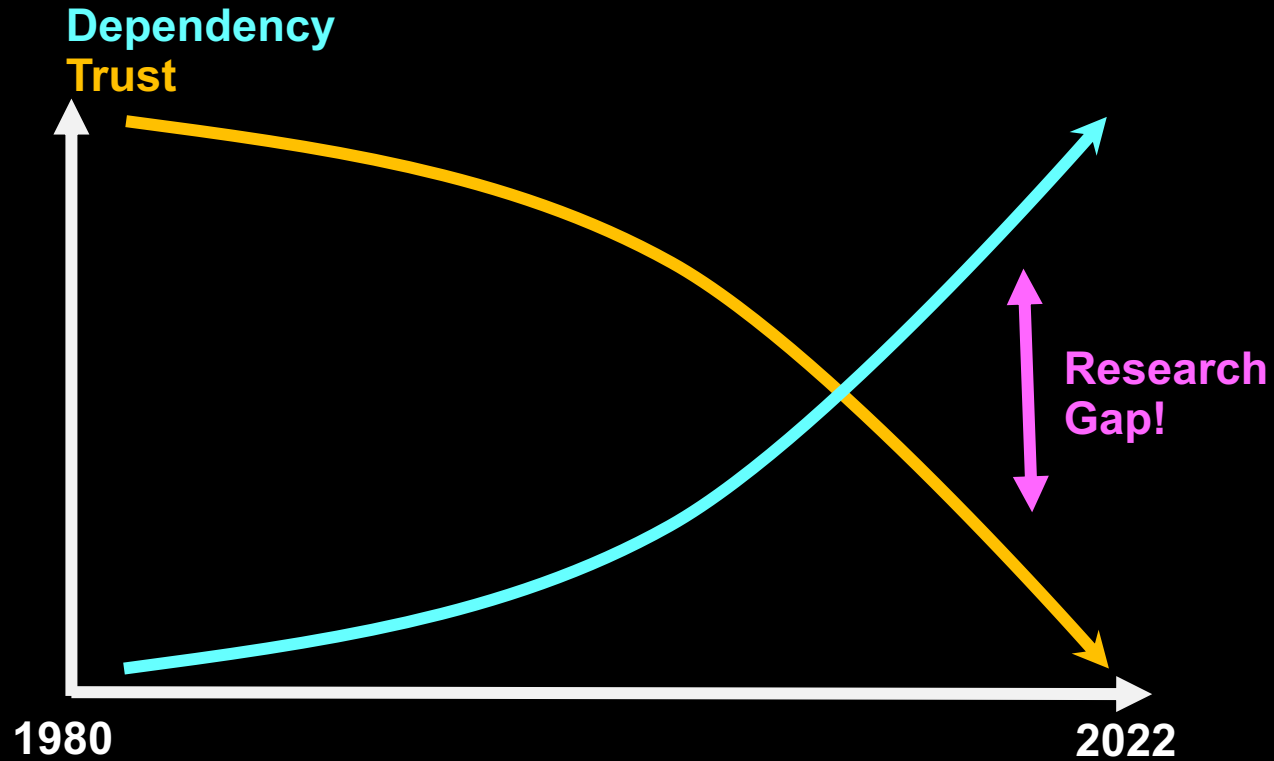
My involvement

Compute

Networks



Fading Trust in Internet



Challenges ahead

- Knowledge safety (“kennisveiligheid”)
- Security – the attacks on our CI
- Cyber Infrastructure is not resilient wrt geopolitical changes
- The transformation of Science in the digital age
- The (in)dependence on big tech, plan a-b, exit strategies, etc.
- Sovereignty: **Be yourself in a digital world!**

Some OneLiners

- The Dead Cat Demo
 - Highly interactive distributed visualization
 - <https://delaat.net/sc/sc04/>
- The DSC story
- The Library 3.0
- The Rolex story
- Master of your house



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Highly interactive distributed visualization

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Some Anekdoten

- Brown Purse
- SouthPark
- AirBNB
- Car key safety
- UvA ID card
- Carnaval
- PayBack time



Some tricks/Jokes

- Slide Counter
- No signal
- Zoom



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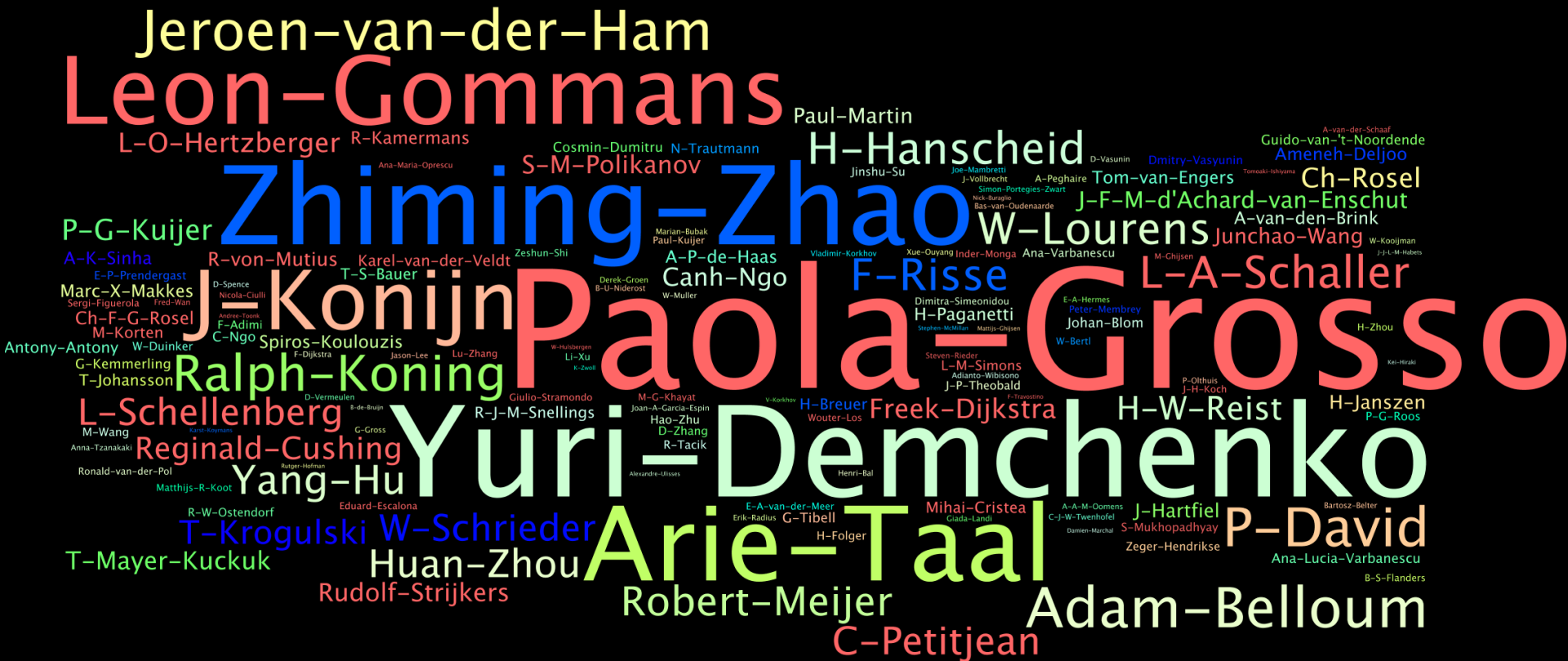
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Many Thanks

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And then this:

I kindly ask you not to form a traditional congratulatory queue at the reception but to immediately grab the drinks and snacks!

I will come to You.

This presentation will be available via my homepage: <https://delaat.net>

