



Humanitarian FOSS Project Overview

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Sahana Disaster Management



Sahana FOSS灾难管理系统

http://www.cs.trincoll.edu/~ccapalbo/O622rc1/index.php?mod=hon

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欢迎进入Sahana FOSS灾难管理系统

Sahana是一个整合了多种在线灾难管理应用的综合系统 她为灾情发生之时和之后的大规模人作提供了一种解决方案。Sahana系统包括以下几个功能模块:

- **灾情标识图** - 通过灾情标识图来更新和掌握各地的救灾情况。
- **失踪人员登记** - 报告和搜寻失踪人员。
- **受灾人员登记** - 跟踪内部安置人员情况以及他们的需求。
- **救援组织登记** - 列出“谁在何时何地进行了何种活动”。帮助机构组织各自的救援活动而又能互相协调。
- **求助及救助管理** - 跟踪援助请求并将这些请求与能提供该援助的人员进行匹配。
- **安置点管理** - 跟踪安置点的地点、分布、容量、受灾人等信息。
- **库存管理** - 高效地管理救援物资, 实现集散地间的物资调配以及物资需要补充时的告警。
- **消息模块** - 帮助群组之间以电子邮件或者短信的方式进行通讯。
- **救援物资目录** - 记录救援物资的种类以及它们的单位。这些信息被用于库存管理和请求管理等系统
- **资料库同步** - 允许通过同步的方式来交换多个Sahana实例中的资料数据。

如需获得Sahana系统的更多详情, 请前往[Sahana 网址](#)
如需通过Sahana社团获得使用方面的在线帮助, 请前往[Sahana社团交流](#)
如需获取Sahana应用文档, 请前往[Sahana Wiki](#)

Sahana Wiki 论坛 聊天

PHP POWERED W3C XHTML 1.0 W3C CSS

Done



Camp Roberts, CA, Nov'09



Strong Angel III, San Diego, June 2006

Educational Motivation

- David Patterson (ACM) Nov. 2005, (post Katrina):
Let's help our neighbors!
- David Patterson (ACM) Mar. 2006:
Join the open-source movement!
- Our Question:
Will students building software for the community help revitalize computing education?



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NSF/CPATH Grants

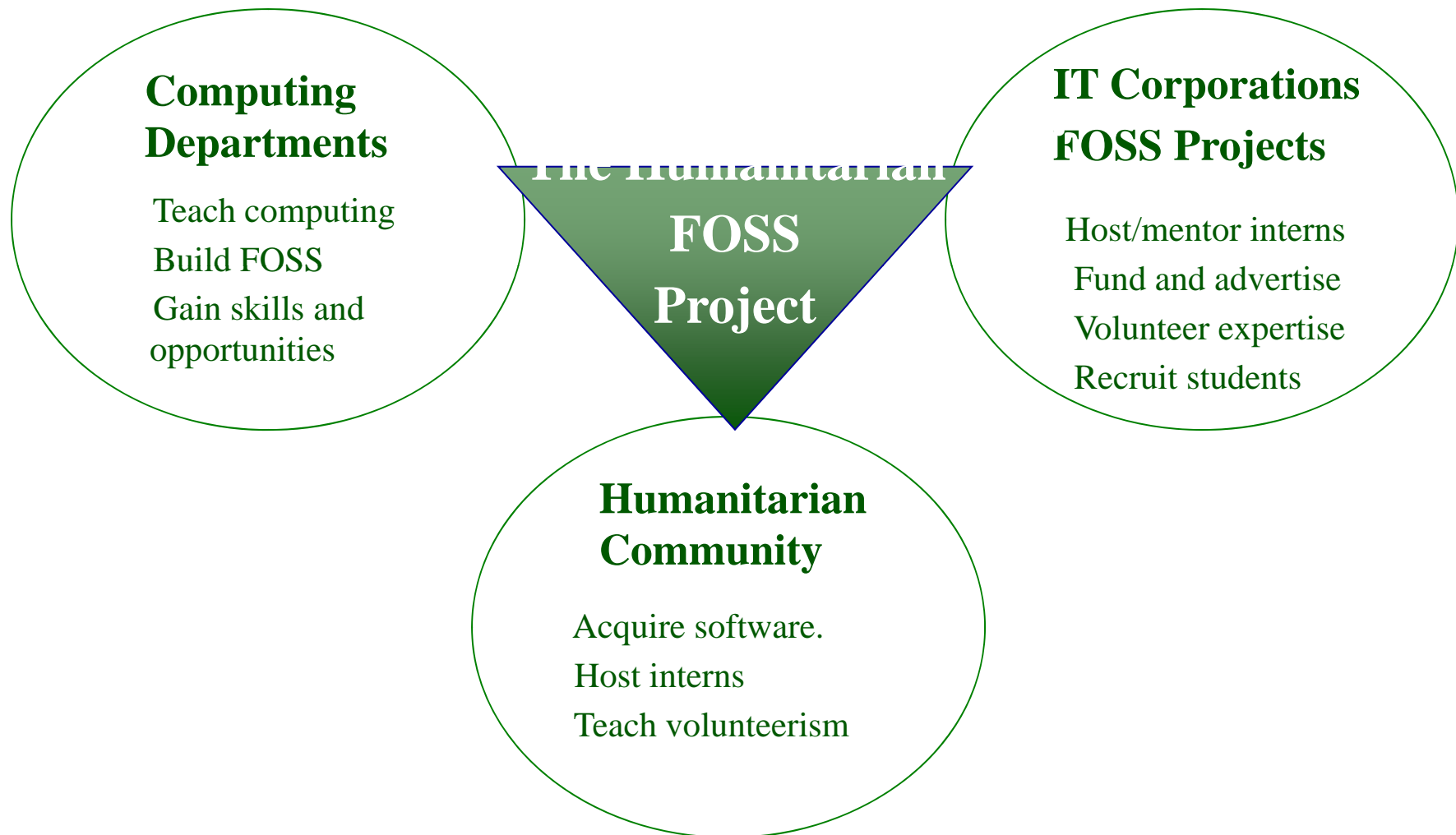


- NSF CPATH Grants: 496K (07-09), 798K (09-11).
- Collaborators: Trinity, Connecticut College, Wesleyan.
- Activities:
 - Trinity-Conn-Wesleyan video conference courses.
 - Summer internship program 2008/9/10.
 - Annual Symposium on computing curriculum (@SIGCSE).
- Current Initiatives
 - Community Building: HFOSS Chapter Initiative.
 - HFOSS Certificate program
 - Sustainability model.



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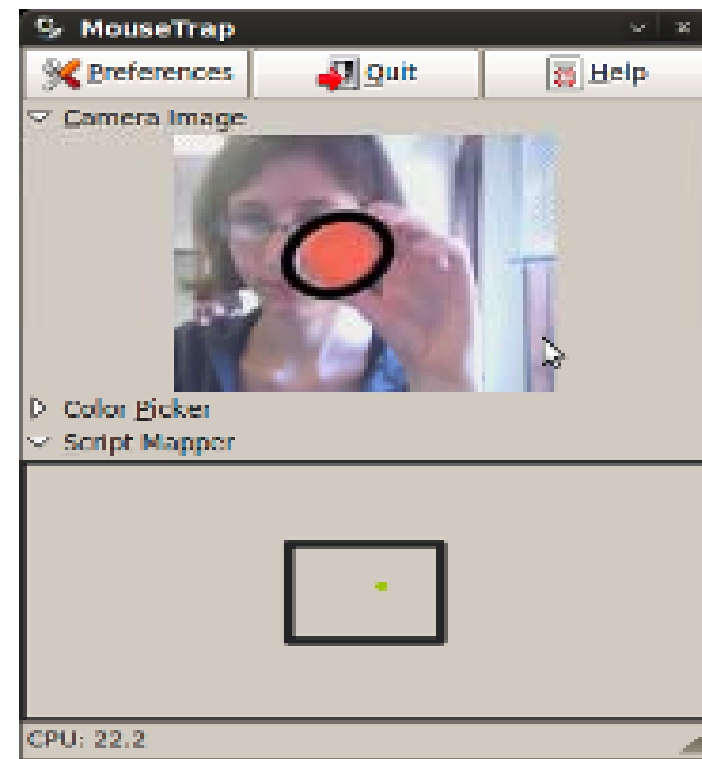
Goal: A Sustainable Community





GNOME Accessibility

- Mousetrap – mouse tracking for physically impaired.
- VizAudio – visual feedback cues for hard-of-hearing.



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ANDROID Portable Open Search Identification Tool



Open Mobile Camp, UNICEF, Oct' 09

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Collabbit: Lightweight Coordination Tool

The screenshot displays the Collabbit web application interface. At the top, the browser address bar shows the URL <http://demo.collabbit.org/incidents/23/updates>. The page header includes the site name "demo collabbit" and navigation links for "Overview", "Incidents", "Groups", and "Contacts". A user is logged in as "Trishan".

The main content area features an incident titled "Power Outage - Long Island City" with the description: "Local officials are reporting thousands of people are without power in the Long Island City section of Queens". Action buttons for "Add Update", "Close Incident", "Edit Incident", and "Delete Incident" are visible. Below this, there are filter options for "Search Keywords", "All Groups", and "All Tags".

A specific update is shown: "[Voluntary groups needs to pass out water and knock on doors](#) by [Will Anderson](#), Jan 14, 2010 at 06:44 PM". The text of the update reads: "Voluntary groups are requested to report availability. Volunteers will hand out bottled water and knock on doors to make sure people who live alone understand the situation and have access to assistance."

Two photographs are included: one on the left shows a person in a red "The Salvation Army" jacket working at a computer; one on the right shows a group of people in a meeting room with a presentation screen.

At the bottom of the interface, there are sections for "Relevant Groups: [Emergency Management](#)", "Tags: [Power Outage](#)", and "Comments".

HFOSS Summer Institute



2009



2008



2007

Why Should NSF Support FOSS Research?



FOSS has Humanitarian Roots



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FOSS and Science

- FOSS
 - Open collaborative development process.
 - Freely licensed distribution model.
- Benkler – commons-based peer production
 - Wikipedia
 - Architecture for Humanity
 - NASA click workers
 - ...
- Industrial Science
 - Proprietary, trade-secret, development process.
 - Property based distribution model.



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Problems with the Current Closed Model

- Biology/Medicine – patents on genes?
 - ACLU BRCA1 and BRCA2 lawsuit.
- Synthetic biology – should biological building blocks be proprietary?
 - Drew Endy: Image if computer scientists had patented the semicolon!
- Agriculture – why doesn't everyone trust genetically modified food?
 - Monsanto's Roundup Ready Patent
- Scientific publishing –
 - Should NSF/NIH research results be freely disseminated?
 - What will be published if science becomes (more) proprietary?

Open Source Science Initiatives

- Public Library of Science
- CAMBIA
- Design That Matters (MIT)
- Science Commons







Can FOSS work in science?

ALS Biomarker

Challenge Reward: **\$1,000,000 USD** Challenge Type: **RTP** INNOCENTIVE **8305421**

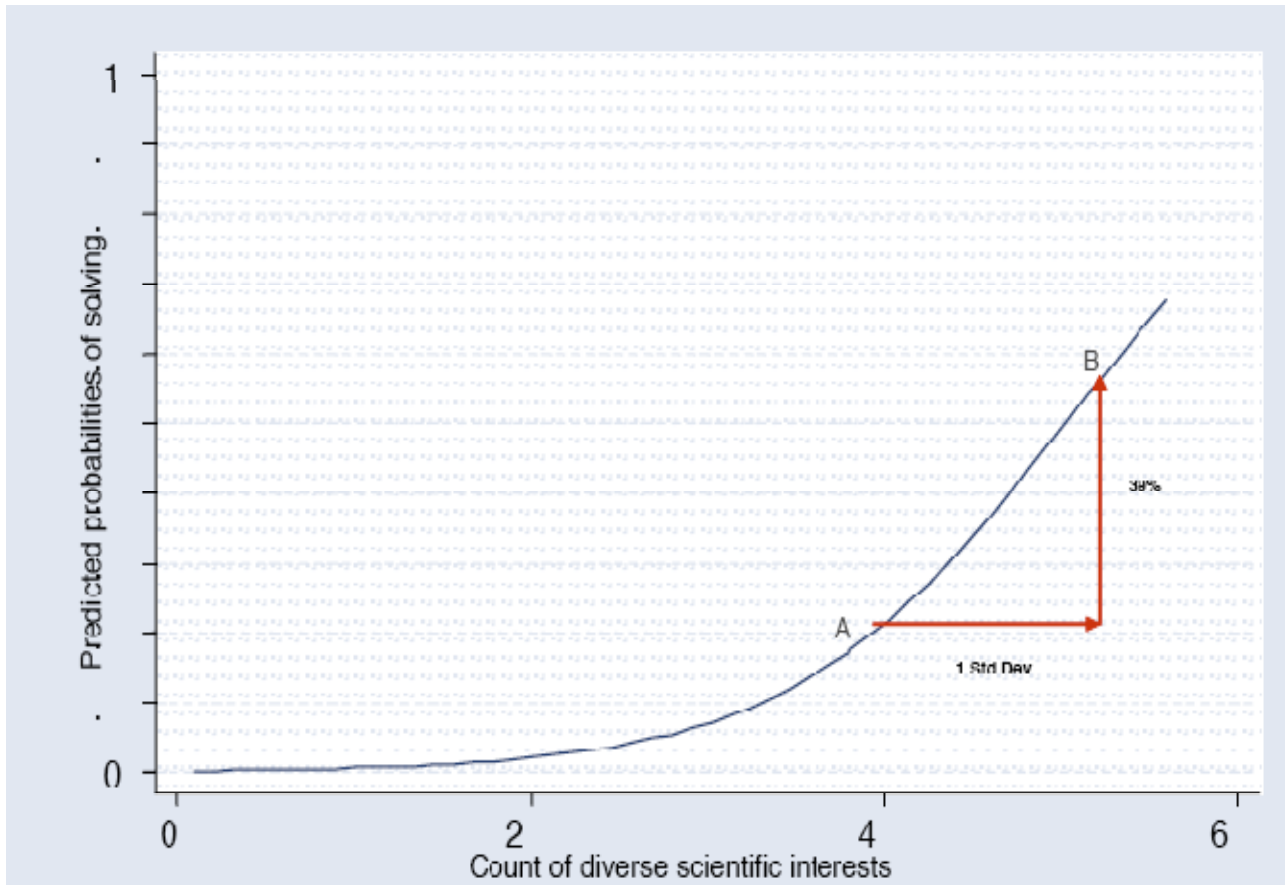
PRIZE4LIFE Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS or Lou Gehrig's Disease) is a fatal neurodegenerative disorder characterized by selective death of motor neurons in the brain and spinal cord. This leads to muscle weakness, atrophy, and gradual paralysis. At present, there is no effective therapy for the disease and patients usually die within 2-5 years after the onset of symptoms. In order to accelerate the identification of effective treatments for ALS, a biomarker for measuring disease progression is needed. [Read More](#)



 DEADLINE: May 15, 2011  11 Project Rooms  Challenge Posted: May 15, 2009

- Open Innovation Business Model
- Innocentive.com
- Broadcast search vs. local search

MIT Study



- 166 previously unsolved, scientific problems.
- 80,000 scientists in 150 countries.
- 49 problems solved.
- Financial Awards:
Mean \$29,700
Range: \$2000 - \$105,000

Src: Lakhani et al., *The Value of Openness in Scientific Problem Solving* (MIT, 2007).



So...some research questions

- Would the FOSS model work for science?
 - Is the FOSS model itself sustainable?
 - What motivates FOSS participants?
 - Does more openness and transparency advance scientific research?
 - What are the viable business models..for FOSS? ..for science?

