

Building Content Communities in Computational Science Education

Shodor continues to use CSERD materials and other NSDL resources to educate and train K-12 and undergraduate faculty and students in the use of technologies, techniques, and tools of information technology, within the context of STEM, and with a specific focus on computational science.







What is the Computational Science Education Reference Desk (CSERD)?

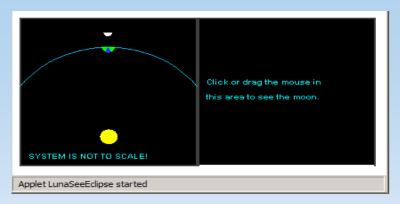
- CSERD is a digital library; A Pathways project of the National Science Digital Library (NSDL); Funded by NSF
- It is a resource to help students learn about Computational Science (CS) and to help teachers incorporate CS into the classroom
- Target Audience: K-12, undergraduate, graduate and informal math and science programs

http://nsdl.cserd.org

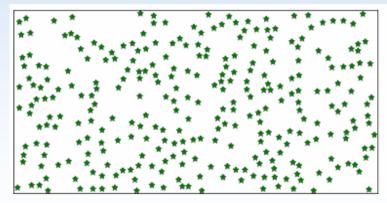




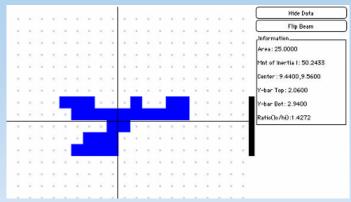
CSERD contains models and resources:



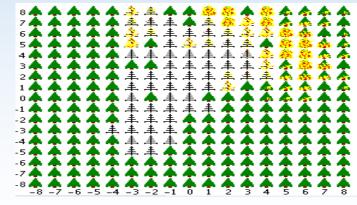
uses **real-life situations** to teach inquiry-based math and science concepts



uses **models** to demonstrate and visualize concepts



helps students learn how to **use technology** to **solve problems**



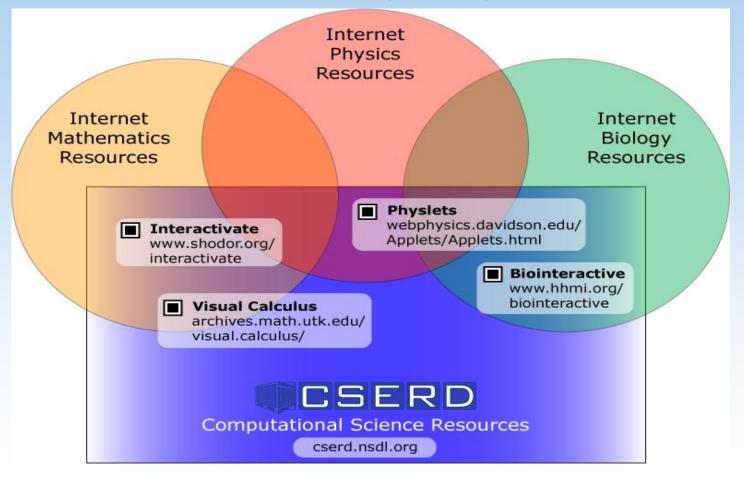
uses interactive tools to observe and analyze

data





CSERD contains a catalog of educational resources across the internet and multiple disciplines



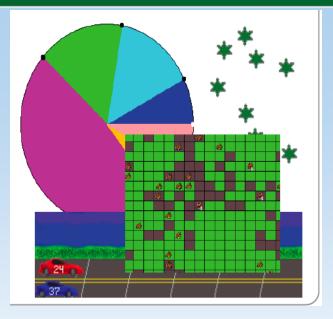


Market Interactivate



FREE online mathematics activities and lesson plans

http://www.shodor.org/interactivate



Resources Include:

- •More than 100+ interactive activities
- Lesson plans
- Discussions
- Worksheets
- Open-ended explorations
- Dictionary
- •Standards alignments
- •Tools



Allows students and teachers to dynamically manipulate data and immediately see results take shape before their eyes.





Traffic to Shodor's website compares in trends and volume to that of the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics (NCTM).

Google trends	shodor.org,nctm.org Tip: Use commas to compare	multiple websites.	Search Trends
Searches Websites			
shodor.org enctm.org			
Daily Unique Visitors	Sep 12 2010 Sep 11	9 2010 Sep 26 2	2010

Shodor's award-winning online STEM resources receive more than 3.5 million web page views per month!! In March 2010, Shodor served 4.25 million web pages to 800,000 visitors!!





Over the past year, CSERD has engaged key partners to increase its outreach and to leverage its computational science resources.

These Partnerships have enabled CSERD to build content communities

- •National Computation Science Institute (NCSI)
- Blue Waters
- •High Performance Computing (HPCU)
- •High Performance Computing Opportunities HiPOP
- •Journal of Computational Science Education (JOCSE)





National Computational Science Institute (NCSI)

- NCSI provides workshops covering a wide range of subjects relating to computational science. These workshops are for educators at all levels, giving them ideas and resources to use in their classrooms.
- National Science Digital Library (NSDL) in partnership with NCSI enabled us to get on the road more, offering more summer workshops last year and this coming summer, we have increased our outreach for NSDL in general and computational science through CSERD in particular.

(http://computationalscience.org/)





Blue Waters Shodor has a national leadership role in teaching others to effectively harness the power of the world's largest computer.

Blue Waters is led by the University of Illinois and its National Center for Supercomputing Applications in partnership with IBM. Shodor will help educate the next generation of users of the world's first sustained "petascale" computational system dedicated to open scientific research.

•Shodor's leadership will serve to prepare the next generation of young scientists to use the new computing environment as they pursue careers in science, math, engineering and medicine. These students will work with Shodor scientists and educators to develop the new curriculum and computer models that will be used in classrooms across the U.S.

http://www.ncsa.illinois.edu/BlueWaters/







The High Performance Computing Community



What Is HPCU?

The HPC University (HPCU) is a virtual organization whose primary goal is to provide on-line environment to share educational materials for high performance computing environments.

http://hpcuniversity.org

As a sub-collection of the Computational Science Education Reference Desk (CSERD), the front page of HPCU displays a rotating set of featured resources from the CSERD catalog. Also, new resources that are submitted for inclusion in HPC University are automatically catalogued for CSERD.







HPCU actively seeks participation from all sectors of the HPC community to:

- assess the learning and workforce development needs and requirements of the community
- catalog, disseminate and promote peer-reviewed and persistent HPC resources
- develop new content to fill the gaps to address community needs
- broaden access by a larger and more diverse community via a variety of delivery methods
- and pursue other activities as needed to address community needs





What can you find at HPC University?EDUCATORSSTUDENTS

- Curriculum Development
- Fellowships
- HPC Competencies
- Awards
- HPCU Catalog

- Challenge of the Week
- Competitions
- Internships & Fellowships
- Awards
- HPCU Catalog





HPC University Partners and Contributors

- Argonne National Laboratory
- Department of Energy
- Indiana University
- Krell Institute
- Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory
- National Center for Supercomputing Applications
- National Energy Research Scientific Computing Center
- National Institute for Computational Sciences
- National Science Digital Library
- National Science Foundation
- Oak Ridge National Laboratory

- Ohio Supercomputer Center
- Open Science Grid
- Pittsburgh Supercomputing Center
- Purdue University
- San Diego Supercomputer Center
- Shodor Education Foundation, Inc.
- TeraGrid
- Texas Advanced Computing Center
- University of Chicago





HiPOP partners with Shodor and NCSA

- Building a Cyber-Platform for the Support of High Performance Computing Higher Education
- Provide easy access to information on educational and research issues in HPC/CS&T, with particular appeal to students
- Develop joint policies for designing an optimal strategy to create sufficient awareness among the youth on the growing importance of large-scale-simulations to modern society





HiPOP Consortium (hipop.cyi.ac.cy)

EU Institutions

- Cyprus Research and Educational Foundation – The Cyprus Institute
- German Research School for Simulation Sciences
- Bergische Universität Wuppertal
- Forschungszentrum Jülich Jülich Supercomputing Centre

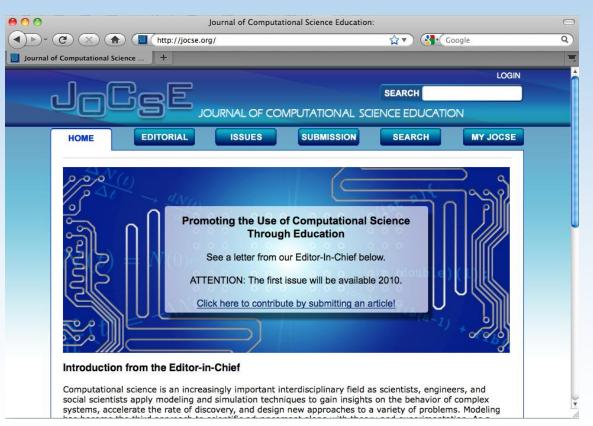
US Institutions

- National Center for Supercomputing Applications at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
- Shodor Foundation





The Journal of Computational Science Education







An Interactive Publication (jocse.org)

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- Mission Statement:

The Journal of Computational Science Education (JOCSE) promotes the use of computation in education through disseminating unique uses of computation in the classroom as well as research findings in computational science education, with submissions from both professionals and students. JOCSE utilizes internet technology and a web-based format to allow for enhanced interactivity in all publications.

