Connecting people and resources to accelerate discovery by empowering the science gateway community



Science Gateways Community Institute

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About me

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Aims for next 30 mins



What is a science gateway?

science gateway /sī' əns gāt' wā'/ n.

- **1.** an online community space for science and engineering research and education.
- 2. a Web-based resource for accessing data, software, computing services, and equipment specific to the needs of a science or engineering discipline.



Computational Science and Engineering Challenges

- What is a cluster/cloud and how do I use it?
- What clusters/cloud are available to me?
- How do I use this particular machine?
- How do I get my data on and off?
- How did I get that result?
- Where is that result?
- Can you share that result with me?

Problems

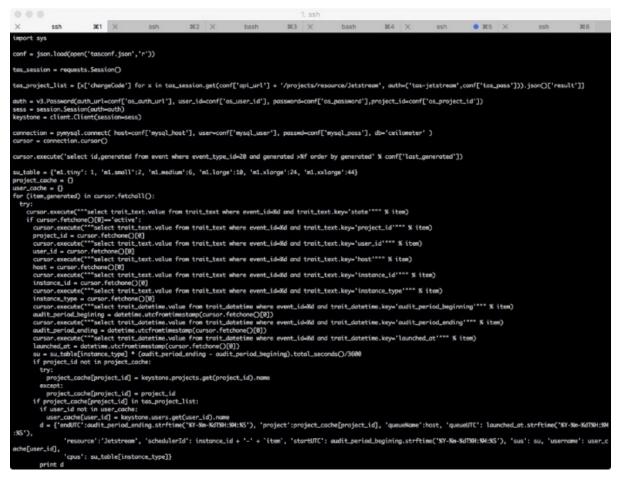
- My applications are taking too long to run on my desktop.
- I know I should run my applications on supercomputer, but it is too confusing, and the person who knows how to do that is too busy.
- You mean there are other supercomputers or computing clouds out there that I could use besides my team's cluster?
- That supercomputer is really different from what I know how to use, so I'll not bother.
- [Data input for my application on Supercomputer A is different Supercomputer B.
 - Workflow problem: connect A to B]

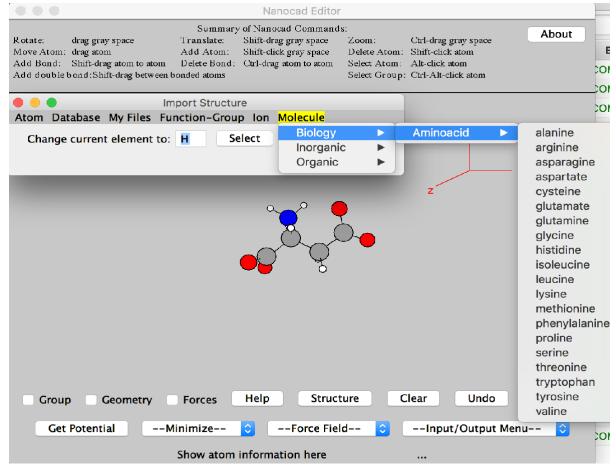
Science Gateways Solve These Problems





Technology Adoption Choices





What is a Science Gateway?

- Science gateways are Web and desktop interfaces to high performance computing clusters, computing clouds.
- Science gateways encode expertise
 - Running specific scientific application
 - Running jobs on diverse, nonlocal machines
 - Moving data to and from world-wide resources
- Science gateways enable sharing of results
- Science gateways make results recoverable and reproducible





Science Gateways Are So Popular that We Started a Center And then "Apache Airavata is Software that we developed to build science gateways"















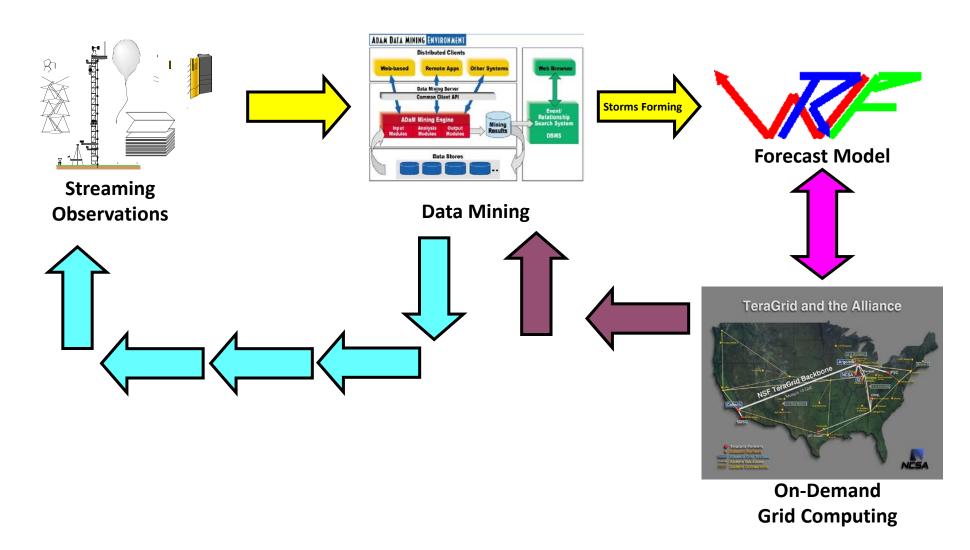




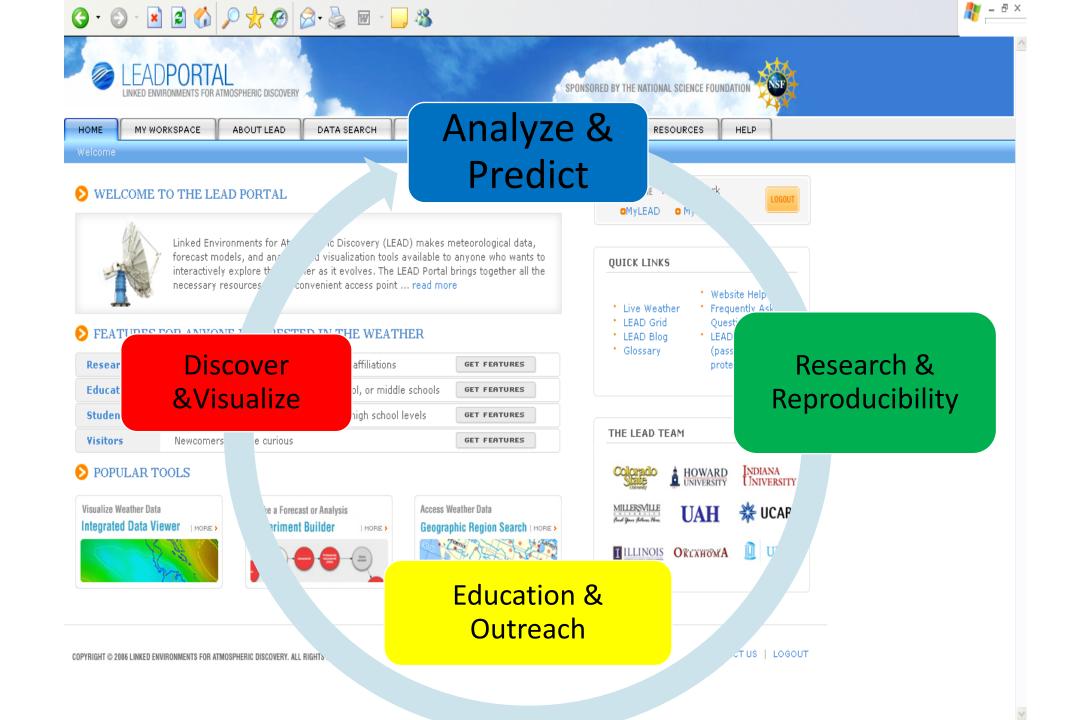


Example: Adapting Weather Prediction to Observational Sources Using

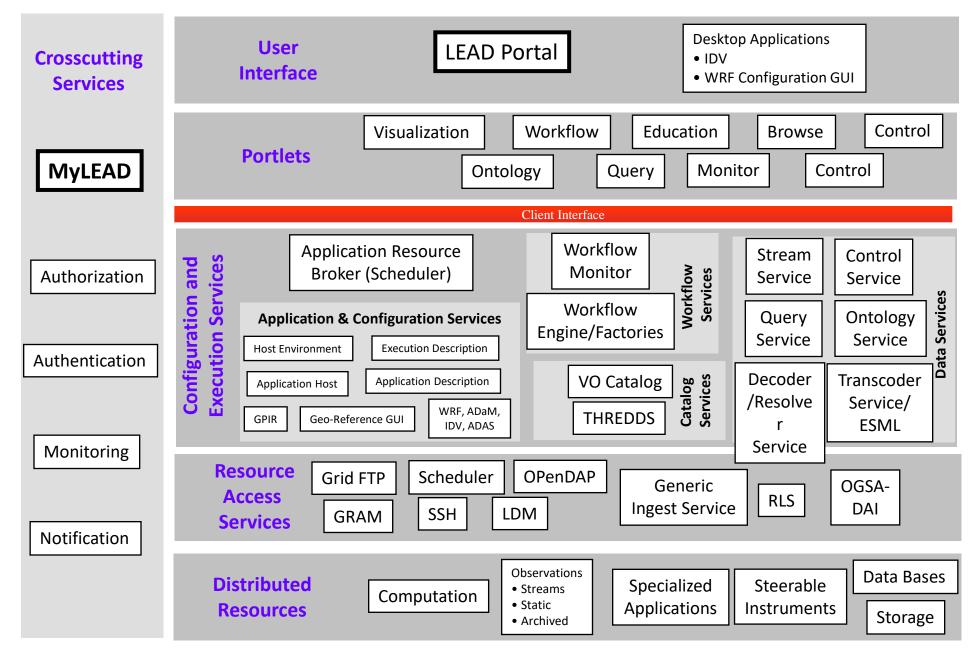
Dynamic Adaptivity



Dynamic Workflow in LEAD Terrain data files NAM, RUC, GFS data 3D Model Data Interpolator 3D Model Data (lateral Boundary Terrain Conditions) Interpolator Preprocessor Surface data, (Initial Boundary upper air mesonet data, Conditions) 15 wind profiler WRF Static Preprocessor IDV ARPS to Bundle **WRF** Data Interpolator 88D Radar data files Remapper **ADAS** Run Once per forecast WRF Radar data Region **ARPS** (level II) Ensemble Generator Radar data **NIDS Radar** (level III) Remapper WRF to ARPS Data **ADAM** Interpolator Satellite data Visualization on Satellite Data users request Remapper Repeated for periodically **ARPS Plotting** for new data Program Data mining: looking for storm signature Triggered if a storm is detected Static data Real time data Initialization Data Mining Forecast Visualization Analysis



LEAD Architecture

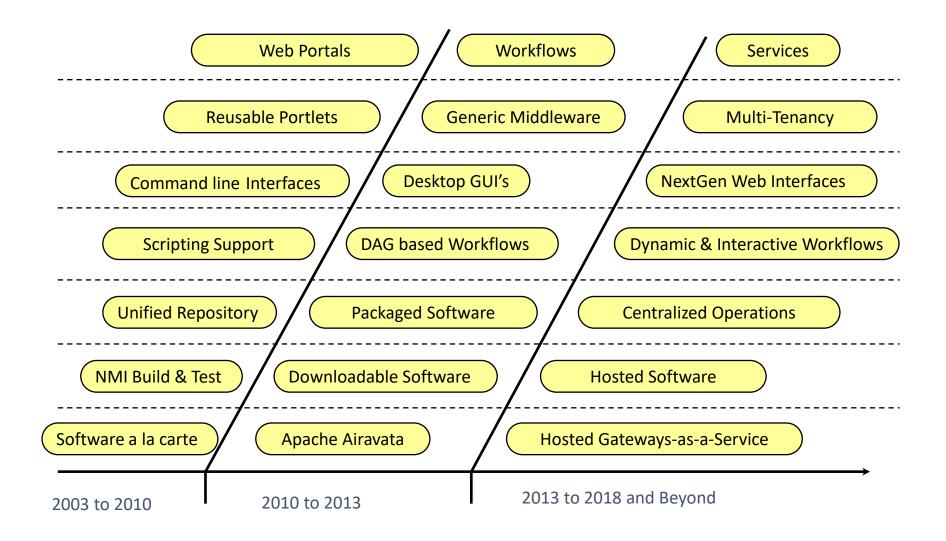


Excerpt from LEAD Final Report to NSF

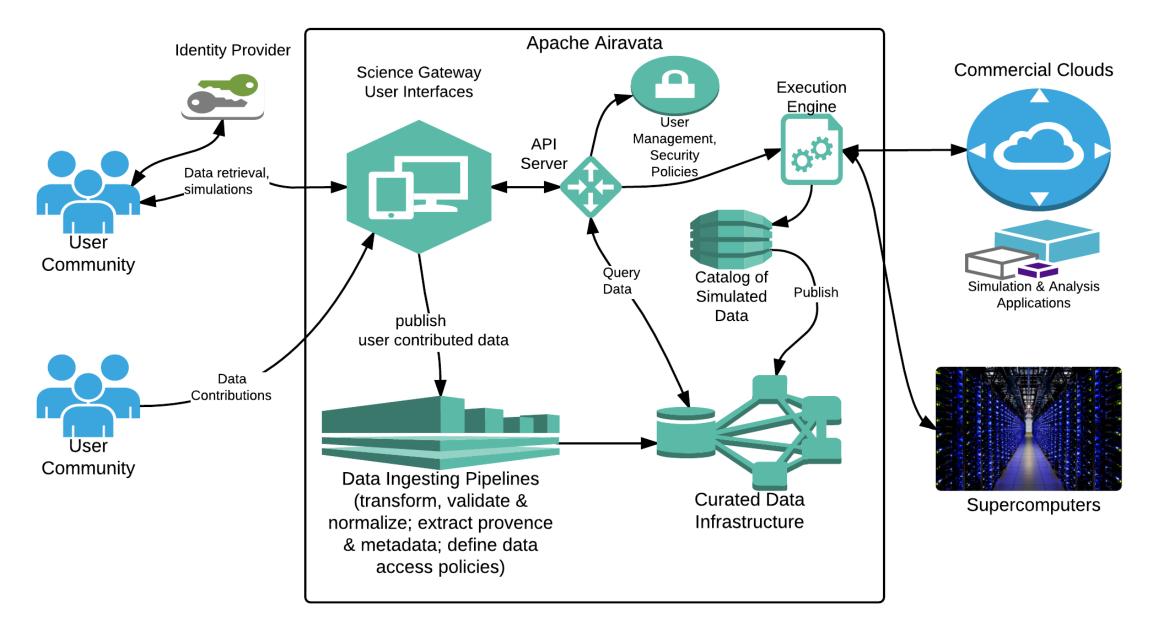
• ".....The stretch goal for LEAD was to begin ushering in this paradigm change. After 6 years, 415 papers and presentations, a mention of LEAD by Bill Gates at Supercomputing 2007, 9 PhD's awarded, 14 Master's degrees, and 1 Bachelor's degree;"

Generalizing LEAD and embracing "Community over code"

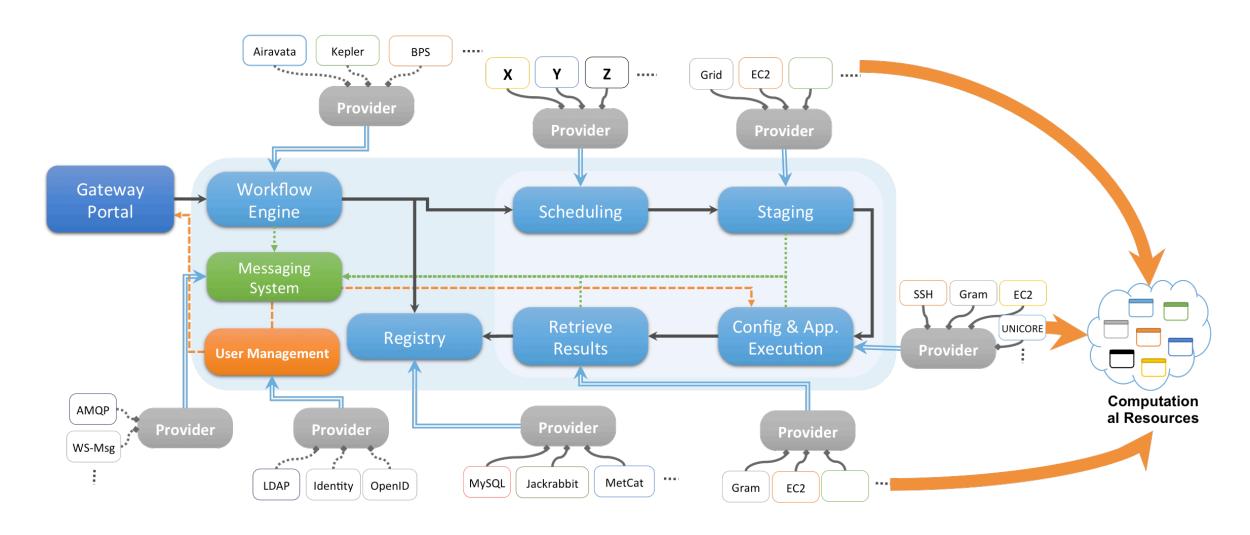
Towards a Generic SGW Hosted Platform



Apache Airavata Architecture

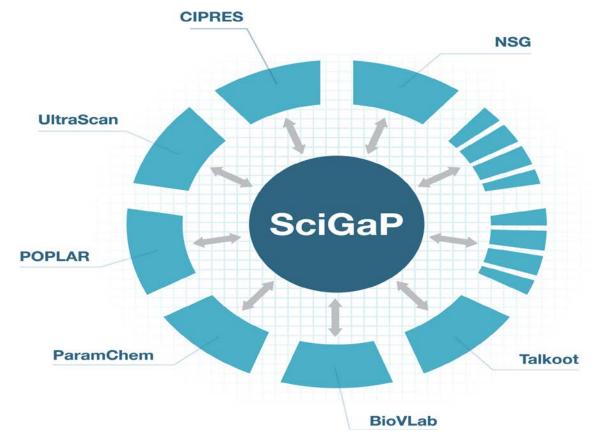


A Build vs Buy vs Collaborate Story



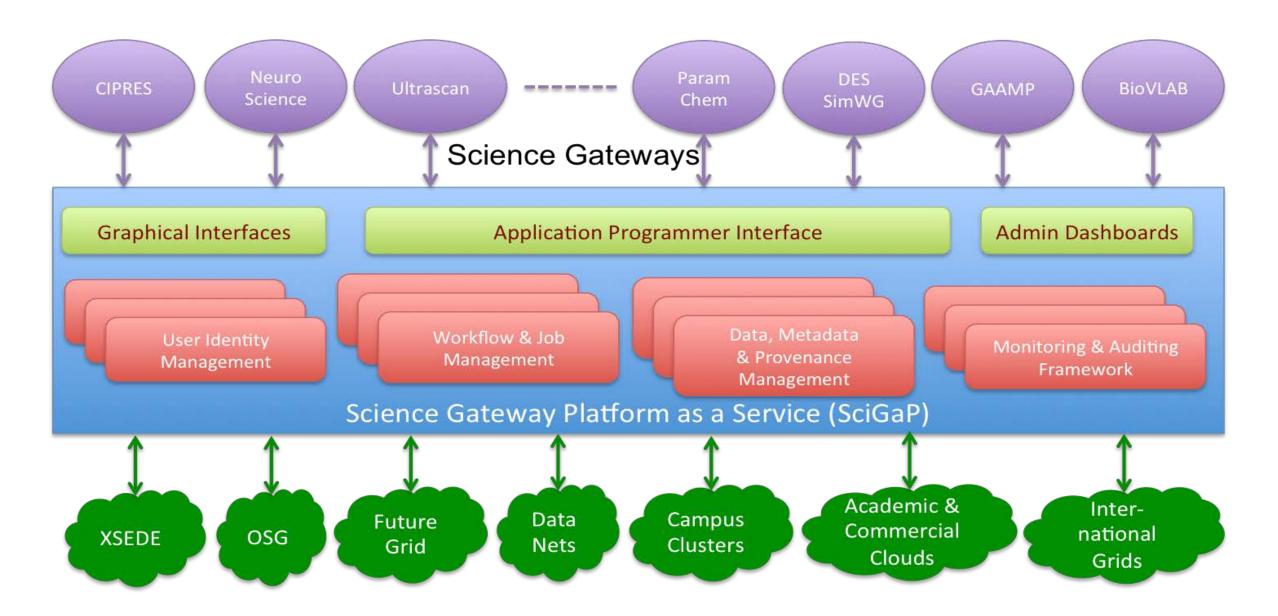
SciGaP Key Mission

Scale number of gateways without having to scale FTE's needed to support them.

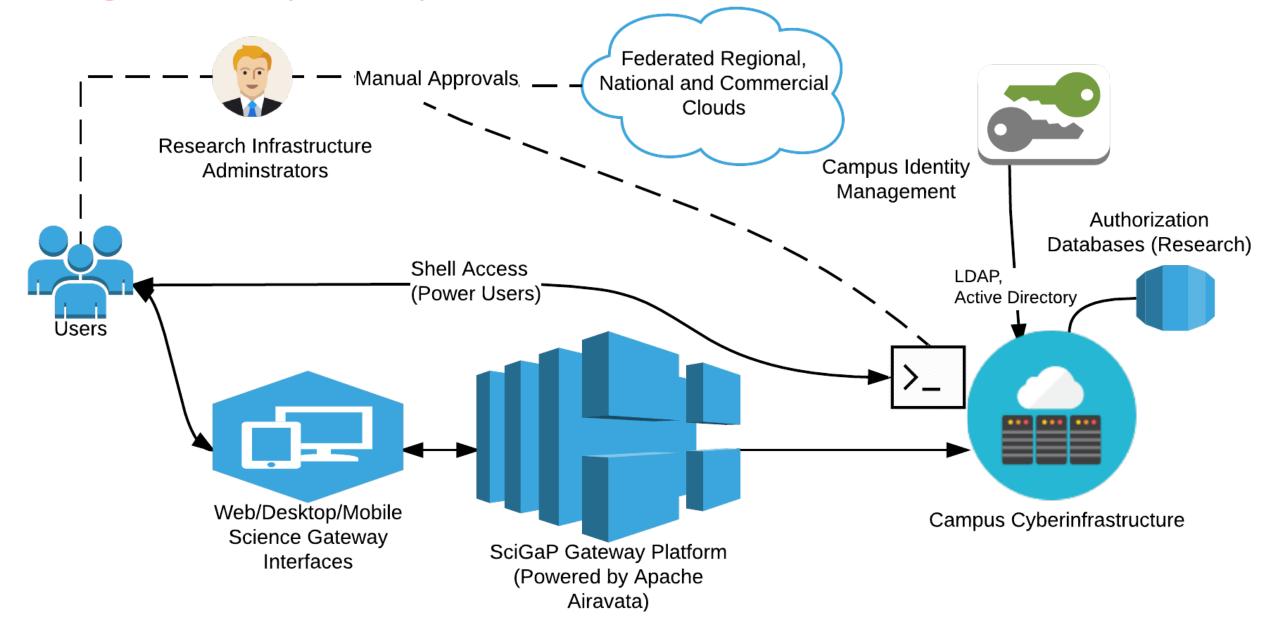




Improve sustainability by converging on a single set of hosted infrastructure services

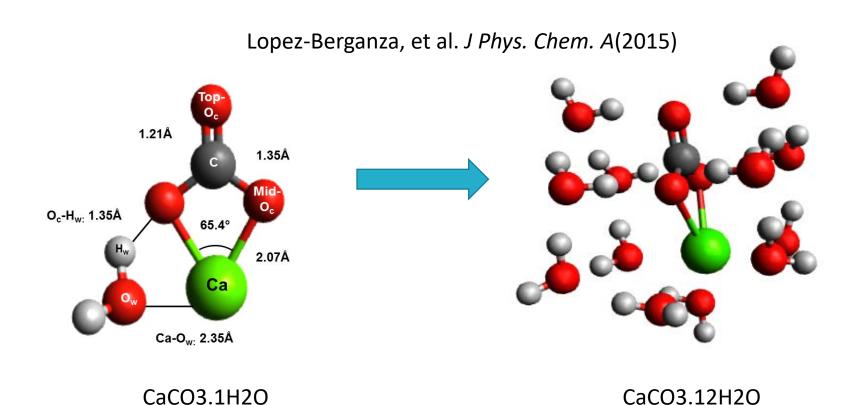


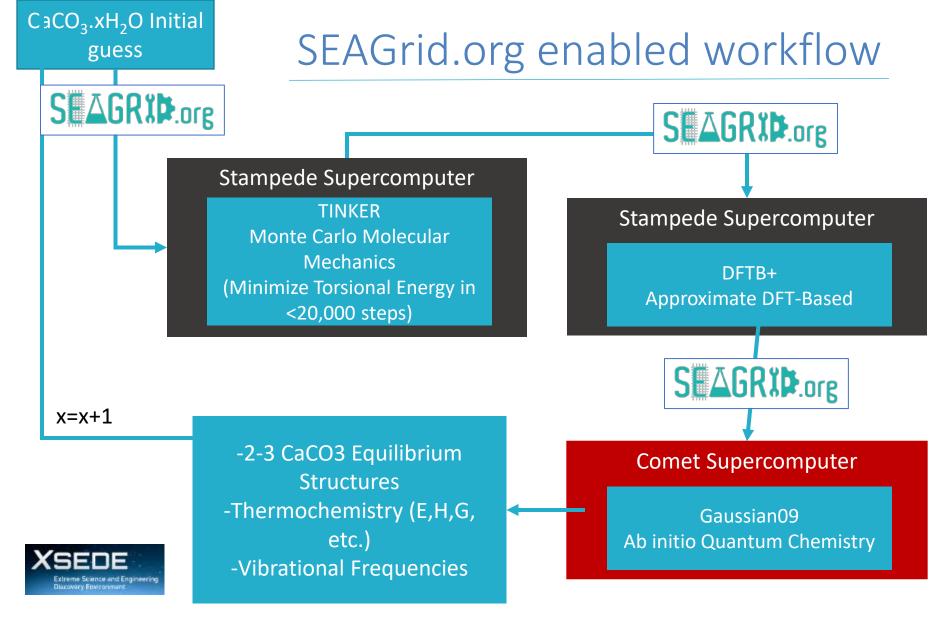
Single Campus Cyberinfrastructure



What is the chemistry of hydrated calcium carbonate?

- Bio-mineralization of skeletons and shells
- Geological C02 sequestration
- Cleanup of contaminated environments





Lopez-Berganza, et al. J Phys. Chem. A(2015)

In the beginning, we had no services We paid science teams to help us develop them

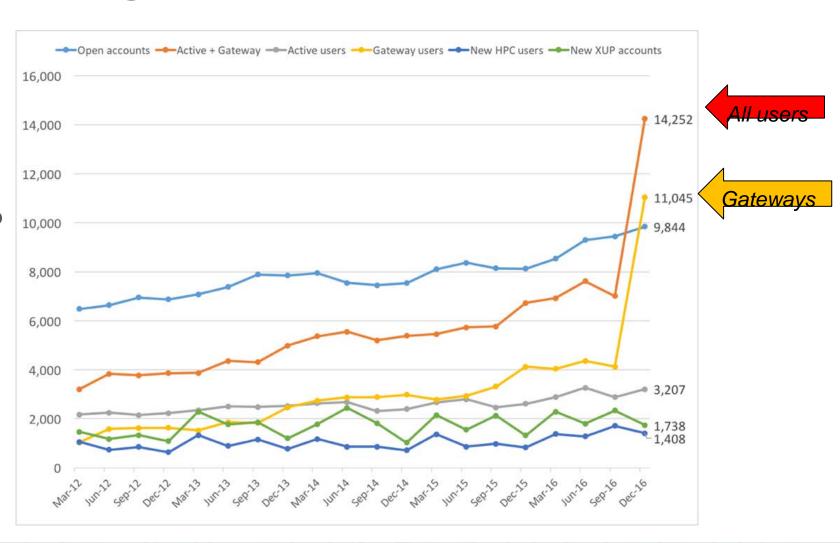
Science Gateway Prototype	<u>Discipline</u>	Science Partner(s)	<u>TeraGrid Liaison</u>
Linked Environments for Atmospheric Discovery (LEAD)	Atmospheric	Droegemeier (OU)	Gannon (IU), Pennington (NCSA)
National Virtual Observatory (NVO)	Astronomy	Szalay (Johns Hopkins)	Williams (Caltech)
Network for Computational Nanotechnology (NCN) and "nanoHUB"	Nanotechnology	Lundstrum (PU)	Goasguen (PU)
Open Life Sciences Gateway	Biomedicine and Biology	Schneewind (UC), Osterman (Burnham/UCSD), DeLong (MIT), Dusko (INRA)	Stevens (UC/Argonne)
Biology and Biomedical Science Gateway	Biomedicine and Biology	Cunningham (Duke), Magnuson (UNC)	Reed (UNC), Blatecky (UNC)
Neutron Science Instrument Gateway	Physics	Cobb (ORNL)	Cobb (ORNL)
Grid Analysis Environment	High-Energy Physics	Newman (Caltech)	Bunn (Caltech)
Transportation System Decision Support	Homeland Security	Stephen Eubanks (LANL)	Beckman (Argonne)
Groundwater/Flood Modeling	Environmental	Wells (UT-Austin), Engel (ORNL)	Boisseau (TACC)
Science Grid [GrPhyN/ivDGL/Grid3]	Multiple	Pordes (FNAL), Huth (Harvard), Avery (Uflorida)	Foster (UC/Argonne), Kesselman (USC-ISI), Livny (UW)



Eventually we had a program

XSEDE users

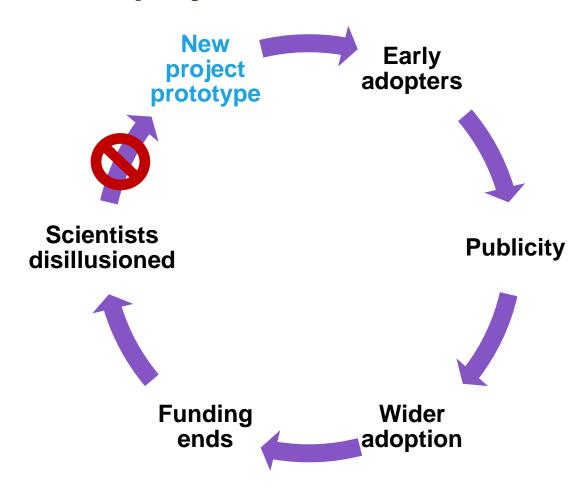
- And customers
- 2013, gateway users surpass command line users in XSEDE
- 2016, gateways now 77% of active XSEDE users





Despite many successes, we observed challenges Gateways often funded as 3-year research projects

- Developers typically
 - work in isolation
 - must bridge to variety of resources
 - need building blocks in order to focus on higher-level functionality
 - struggle to secure sustainable funding





We studied the problem And studied it some more

2009-2012 EAGER 2012-2015 Concept. phase 2016 Software Institute!

Focus groups

- More focus groups
- Survey with 5000 responses



10+ year road to the birth of an institute

Despite the technological progress of grid technology and deployment, only a minority of the scientific, engineering, and education community use today's national computing infrastructure. Our WIDE strategy addresses this situation by working directly with specific community leaders who are building discipline-specific cyberinfrastructure capabilities and resources for their communities.



TeraGrid proposal, 2003

- "discipline-specific CI capabilities" = science gateways
 - First example of community groups using supercomputers without individual identification



5-year S2I2 Implementation phase award begins Aug, 2016

Press Release 16-088

NSF commits \$35 million to improve scientific software

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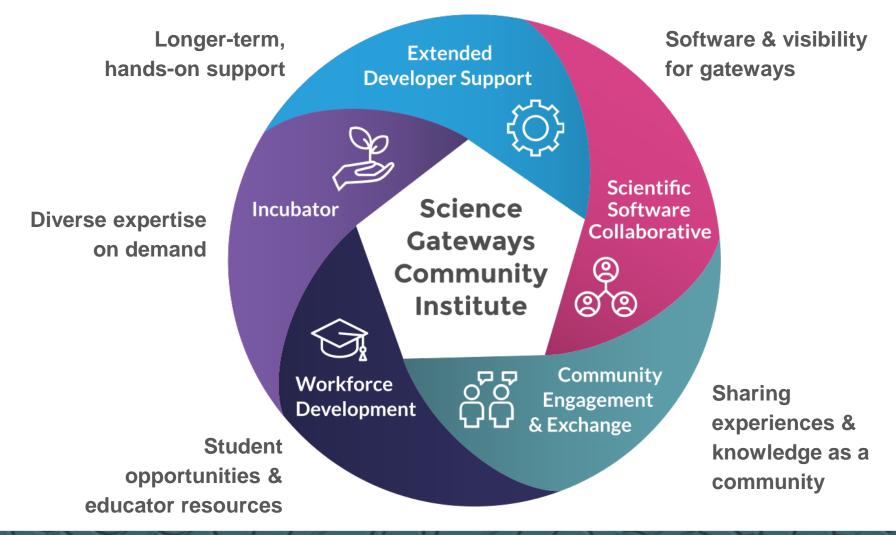
The second award, led by the University of California, San Diego, establishes the Science Gateways Community Institute, a multi-institutional consortium that will increase the capabilities, number and sustainability of science gateways. Gateways are mobile or web-based applications that provide broad access to the nation's shared cyberinfrastructure to scientists and citizens alike.

"Gateways foster collaborations and the exchange of ideas among researchers and can democratize access, providing broad access to resources sometimes unavailable to those who are not at leading research institutions," said Nancy Wilkins-Diehr, associate director of the San Diego Supercomputer Center and principal investigator for the project. "Sharing expertise about basic infrastructure allows developers to concentrate on the novel, the challenging, and the cutting-edge development needed by their specific user community."



Science Gateways Community Institute

Designed to help the community build gateways more effectively





Closing Thoughts

- Gateways translate resource-centric views into science-centric views.
- LEAD succeeded in ushering a "paradigm shift" from a technical perspective, but fell short in preparing the community.
 - LEAD is not currently functional as a virtual organization, but many of its constituent elements are. Any interest in resurrecting in its entirety?
- Gateways are developed by the community for the community. In addition to the longer term vision setting of this workshop, I would be thrilled to work with many of you to build "Gateways to Clouds" for research and education.
 - You can get "free" (payed by NSF) allocation of our time to help you in these efforts. We will help you build and operate gateways, but you are on your own to support the community.

More Information

- Science Gateways Research Center
 - https://sgrc.iu.edu/
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