



Thinking outside the box

How cloud, grid, and services can make us smarter

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Abstract



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Whitehead observed that "civilization advances by extending the number of important operations which we can perform without thinking about them." Thanks to Moore's Law, these operations can nowadays involve increasingly complex information manipulation and computation. The outsourcing of computing via approaches such as utility computing, on-demand computing, grid computing, software as a service, and cloud computing can further enhance human capabilities, by freeing computer applications from the limiting confines of a single computer. Software that thus runs "outside the box" can be more powerful (Google, TeraGrid), dynamic (Animoto, caBIG), and collaborative (FaceBook, myExperiment). It can also be cheaper, due to economies of scale in hardware and software. Simultaneously, service-oriented architectures make it easier to integrate data and software from many sources. The combination of new functionality and new economics inspires new applications, reduces barriers to entry for application providers, and in general disrupts the computing ecosystem. I discuss new applications that outside-the-box computing enables; the hardware and software architectures that make these new applications possible; and the social dimensions of outside-the-box computing.

Alfred North Whitehead (1911)



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The changing nature of work



Collaborative and dynamic

Project focused, globally distributed teams, spanning organizations within and beyond enterprise boundaries

Distributed and heterogeneous

Each team member/group brings own data, compute, and other resources into the project

Data and computation intensive

Access to computing and data resources must be coordinated across the collaboration

Concurrent innovation cycles

Resources must be available to projects with strong QoS, and also reflect system-wide priorities

Integration v1: Standardize interfaces

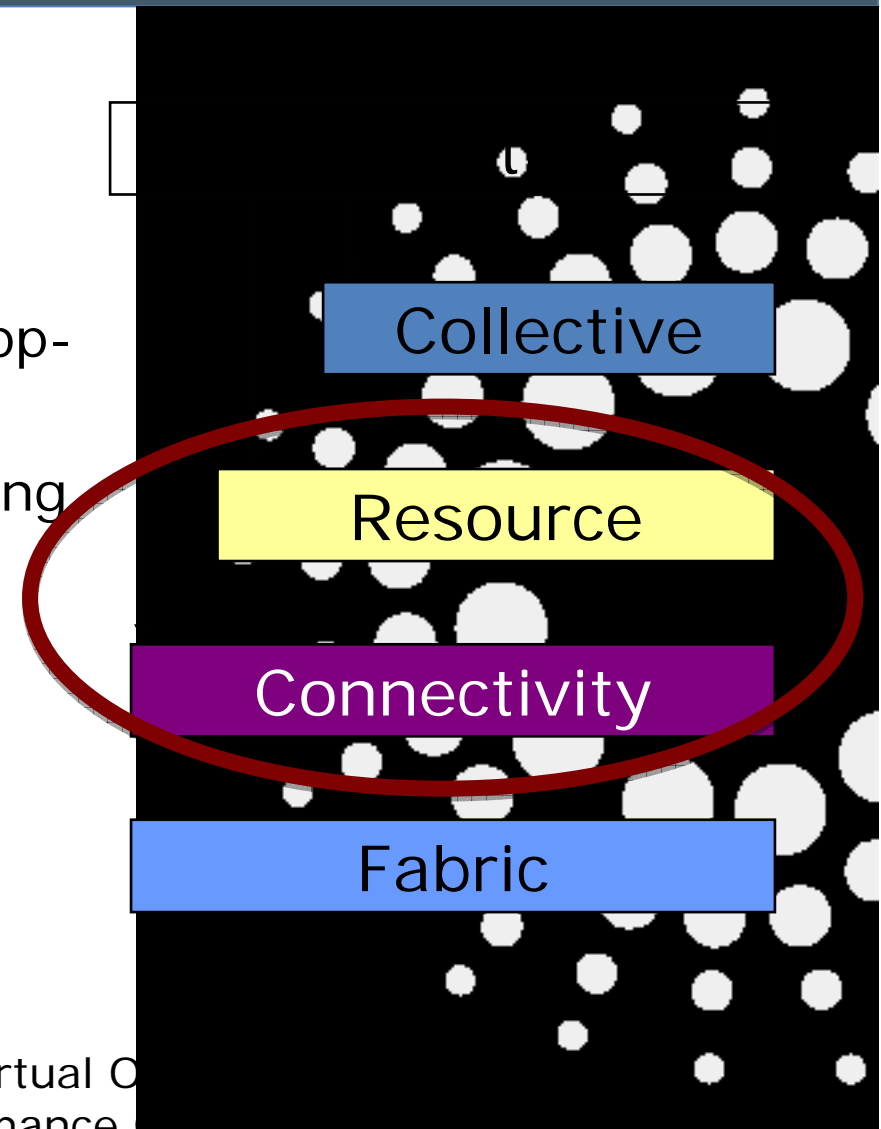


“Coordinating multiple resources”: ubiquitous infrastructure services, app-specific distributed services

“Sharing single resources”: negotiating access, controlling use

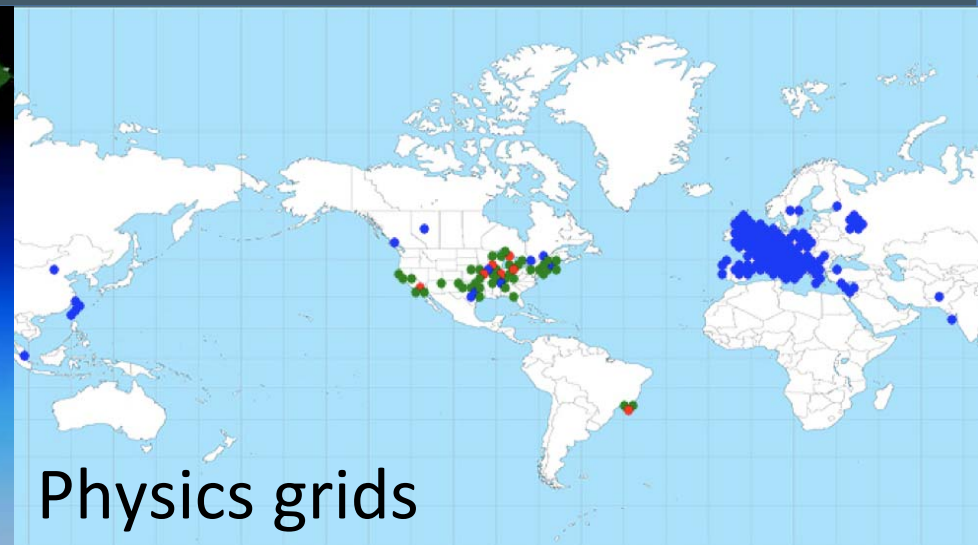
“Talking to things”: communication (Internet protocols) and security

“Controlling things locally”: Access to, and control of resources

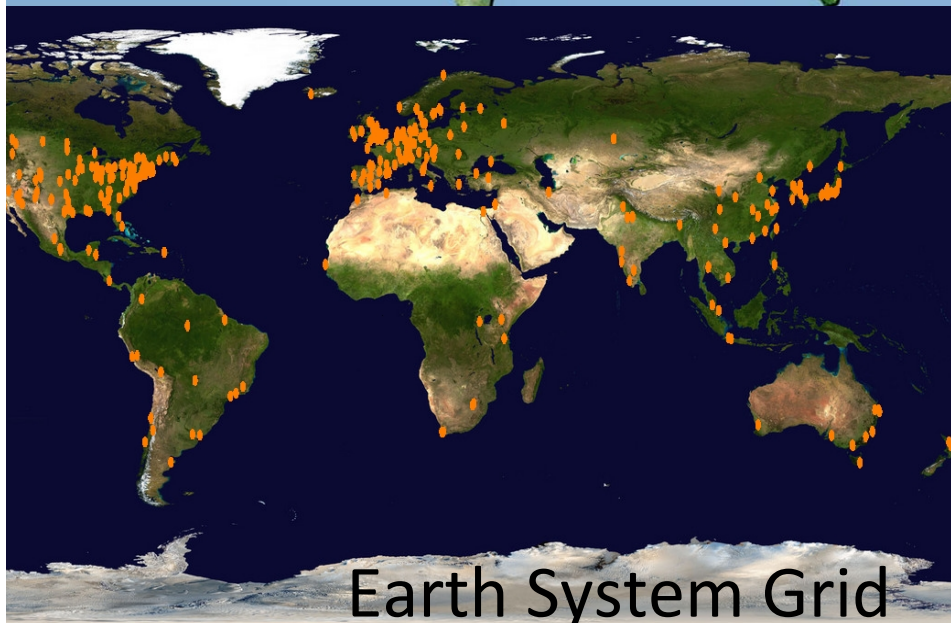


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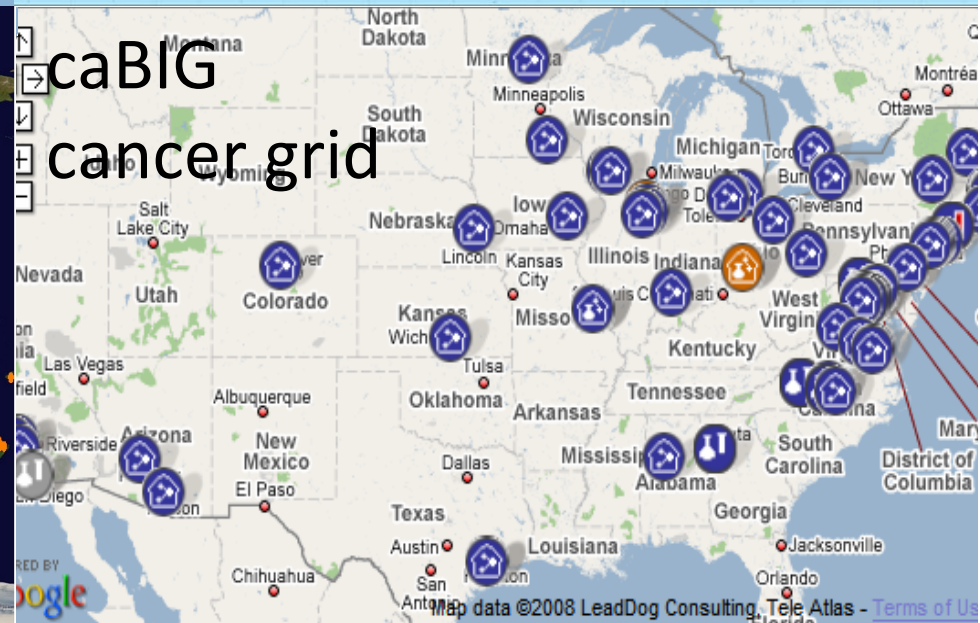
Integration v1: Standardize interfaces



Physics grids



Earth System Grid



Resource providers not always reliable



Subject: GridFTP AGAIN!

I am not able to send a file from XXX to YYY:

```
+ globus-url-copy -vb -stripe -p 12 -tcp-bs 11MUrlYurl
```

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error: globus_ftp_control: gss_init_sec_context failed
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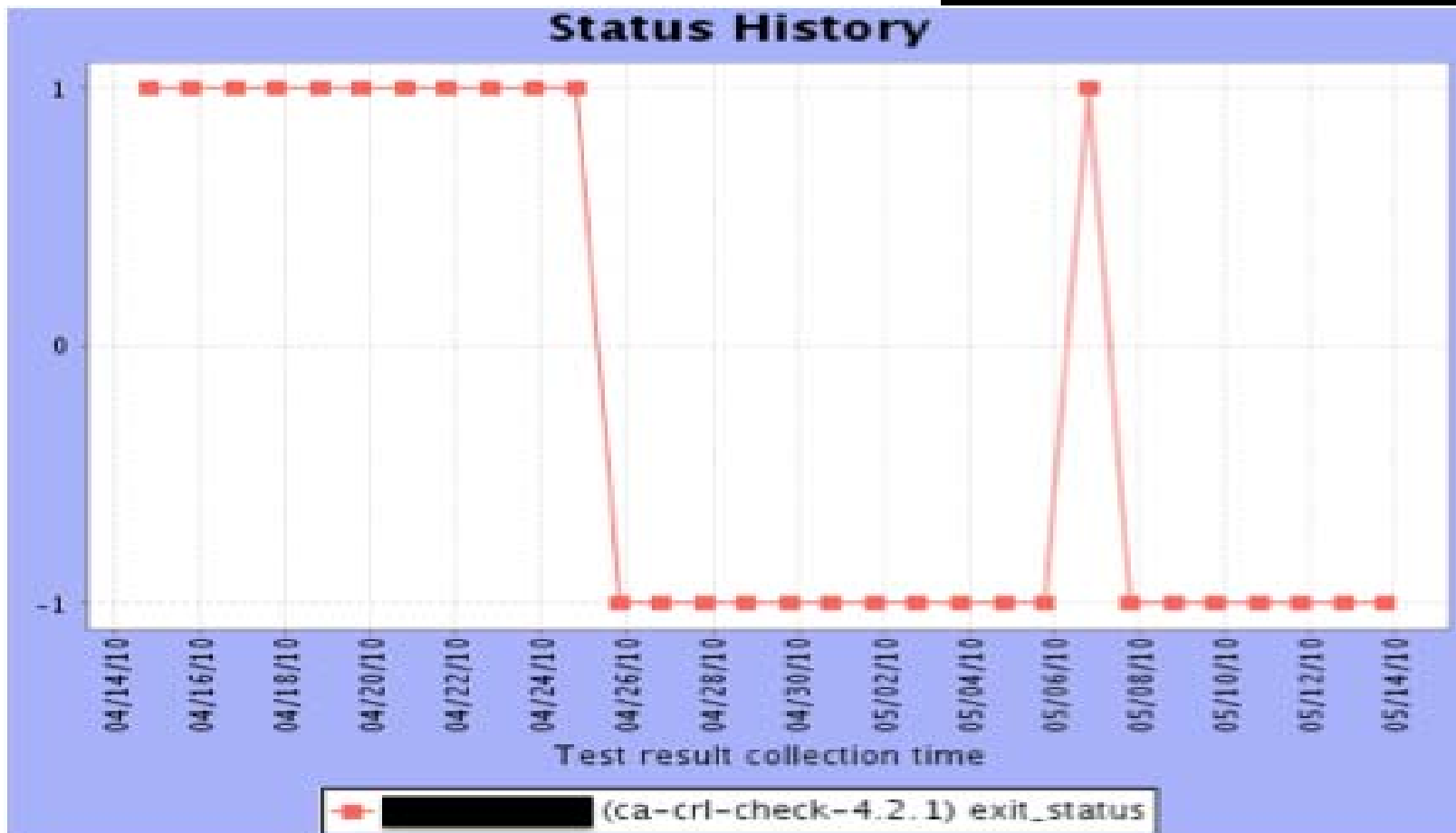
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globus_gsi_callback_module: Could not verify credential
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globus_gsi_callback_module: Invalid CRL: The available CRL  
has expired
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PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE **_DO_** something about Globus!
(such as eliminate it from file transfers)

Collective services are too specialized?



| Test name, resource | # Total Known Reports | # Passed Reports | # Failed Reports | # Total Unknown Reports | % Passed Reports |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------------|------------------|
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Where we are



- **Resource** interfaces do not mask all diversity
 - Diverse and dynamic resource types
 - Varied incentives to implement correctly
- **Collective** layer services are inadequate
 - Inadequate investment in creating them
 - Much effort spent dealing with resource diversity
 - Result: Implementation quality tends to be modest
 - Result: Big projects develop their own specialized versions of these services (expensive!)
 - Result: Small projects are left to their own devices



CMS collaboration

(144 Institutions with about 1700 scientists)



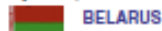
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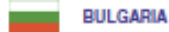
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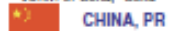
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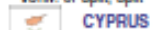
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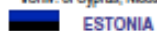
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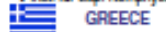
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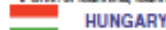
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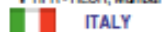
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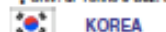
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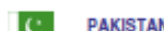
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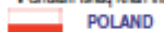
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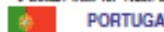
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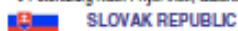
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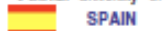
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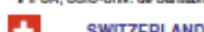
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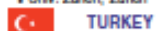
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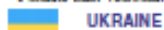
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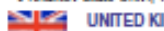
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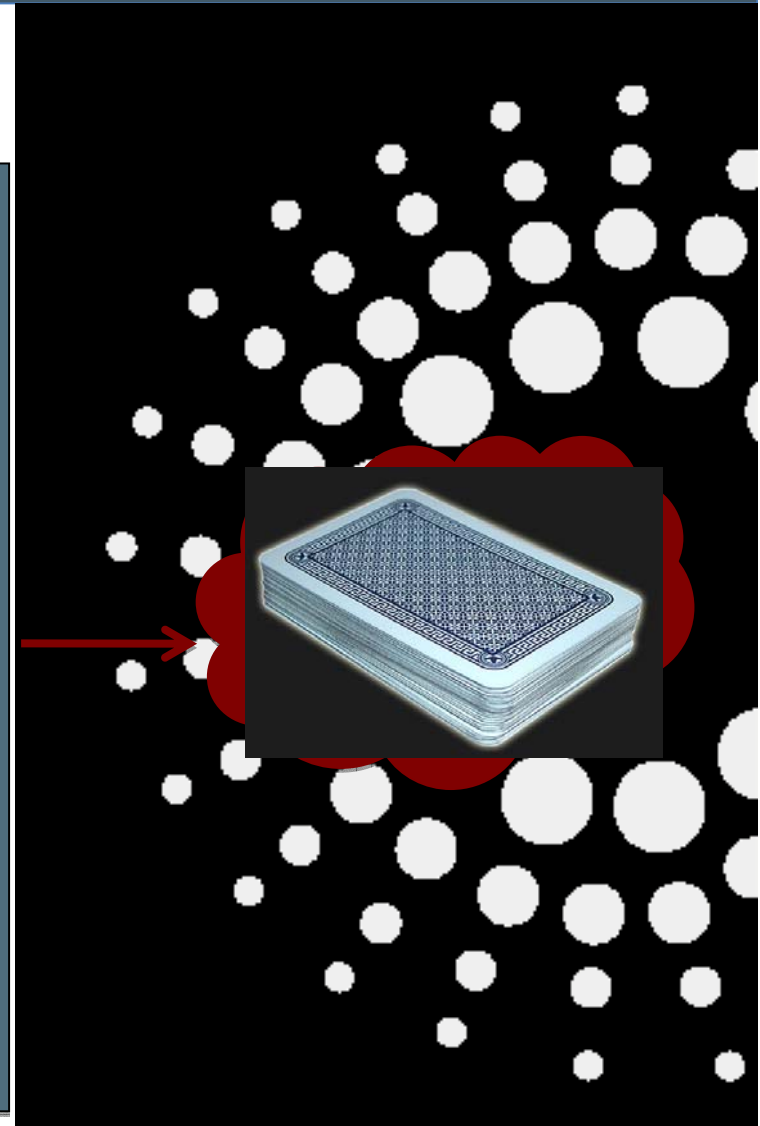


Let's outsource collective services



Move data D from A to B

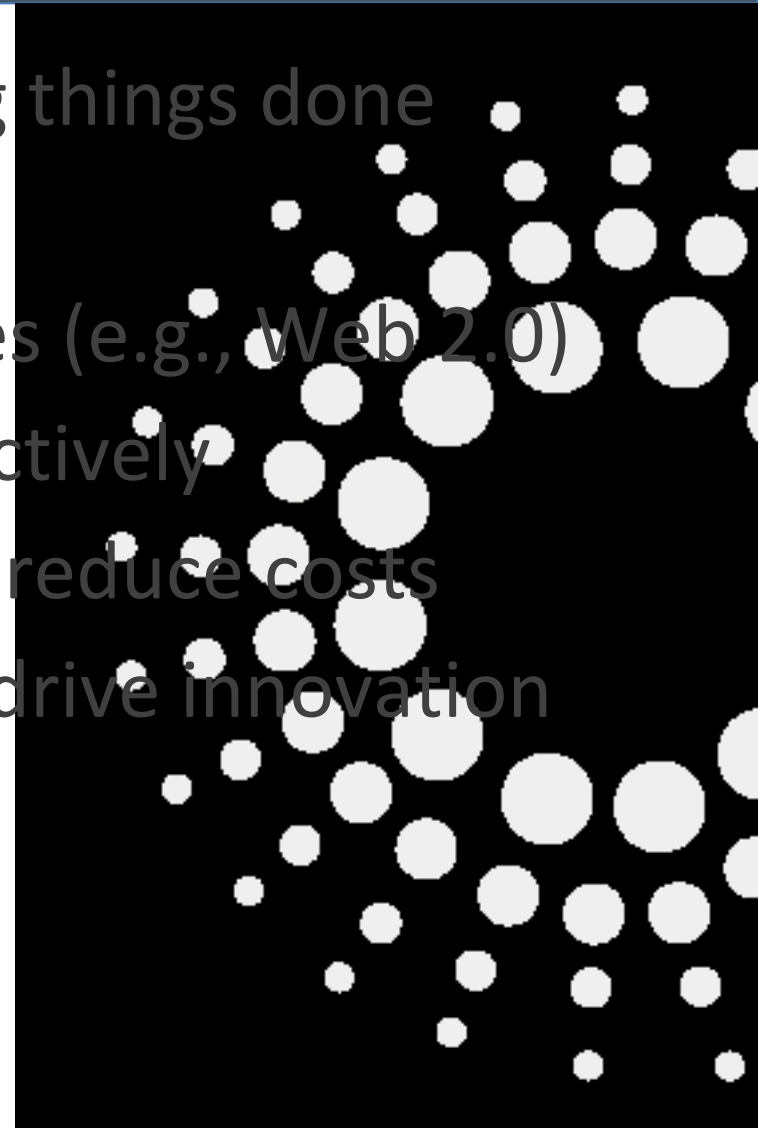
- A's CRL has expired
- A, B need credentials
- B does not run GridFTP at all
- A's firewall forbids incoming connections
- B has inadequate space for D
- Network from A to B is slow
- ...



The outside-the-box cloud thing should:



- Take responsibility for getting things done
- Allow for personalization
- Provide nice remote interfaces (e.g., Web 2.0)
- Detect and fix problems proactively
- Exploit economies of scale to reduce costs
- Leverage user community to drive innovation



Information technology at Univa



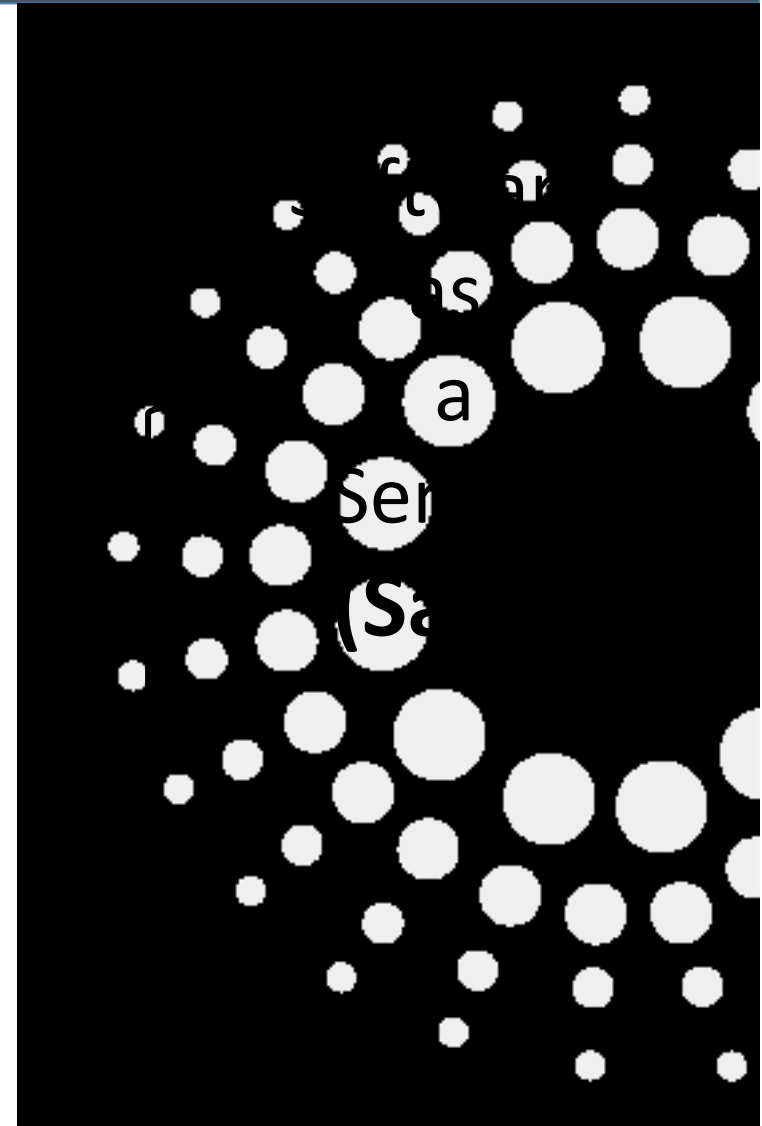
- Email (hosted Exchange)
- Calendar
- Telephony (hosted VOIP)
- Web presence
- Human resources and payroll (Trinet)
- Accounting
- Customer relationship management (Salesforce.com)
- ...



Thinking outside the box for SMB/SMEs



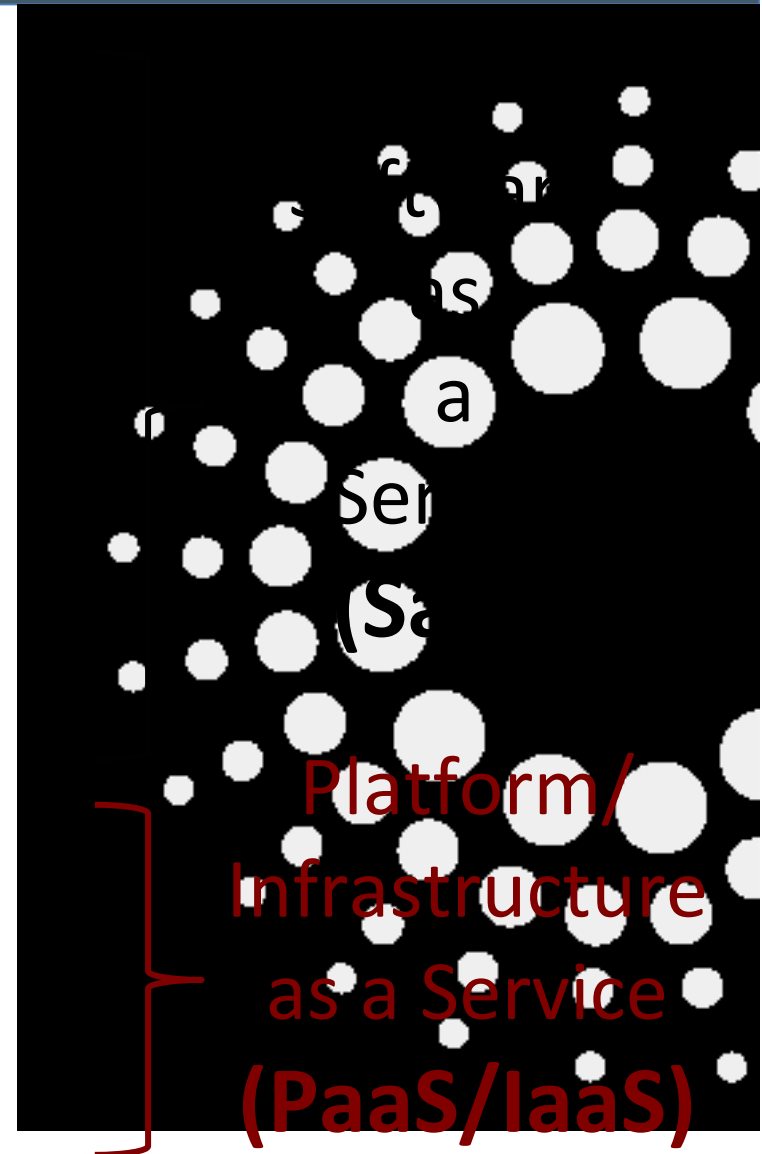
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- Data analytics
- Content distribution
- ...



Thinking outside the box for science



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- Collect data
- Manage data
- Move data
- Analyze data
- Run simulations
- Compare experiment with simulation
- Search the literature
- Share results
- Communicate with colleagues
- Publish papers
- Find, configure, install relevant software
- Find, access, analyze relevant data
- Document research
- Order supplies

Globus.org = Sci-SaaS

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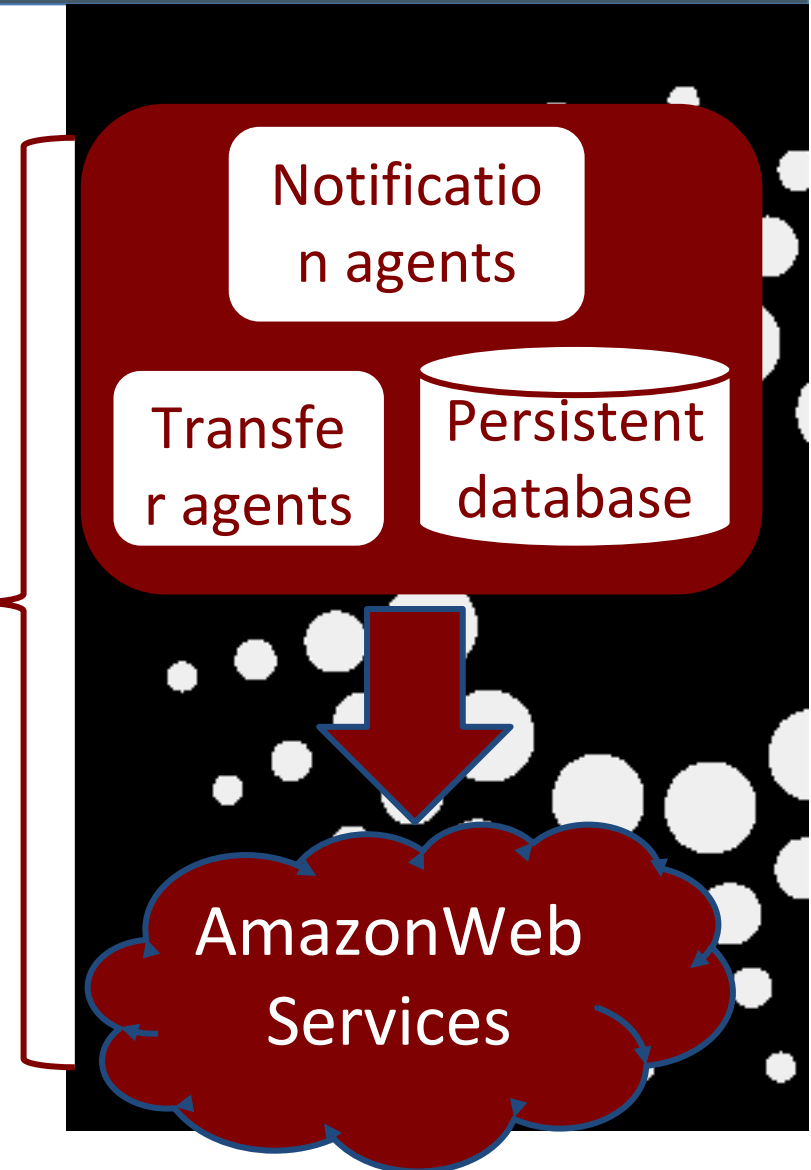
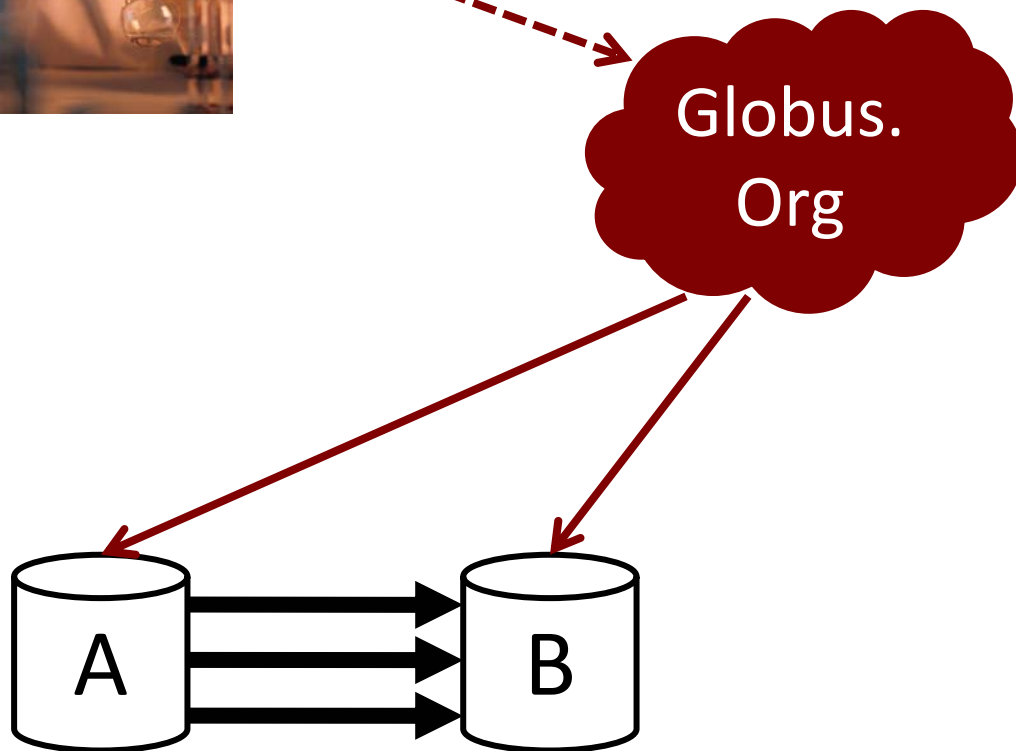
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Globus.Org services: Data movement



“Move data from A to B”



Globus.Org services: Data replication



“Move

Personalization

- Cached credentials
- Preferences

State

- Current transfers
- Known resources

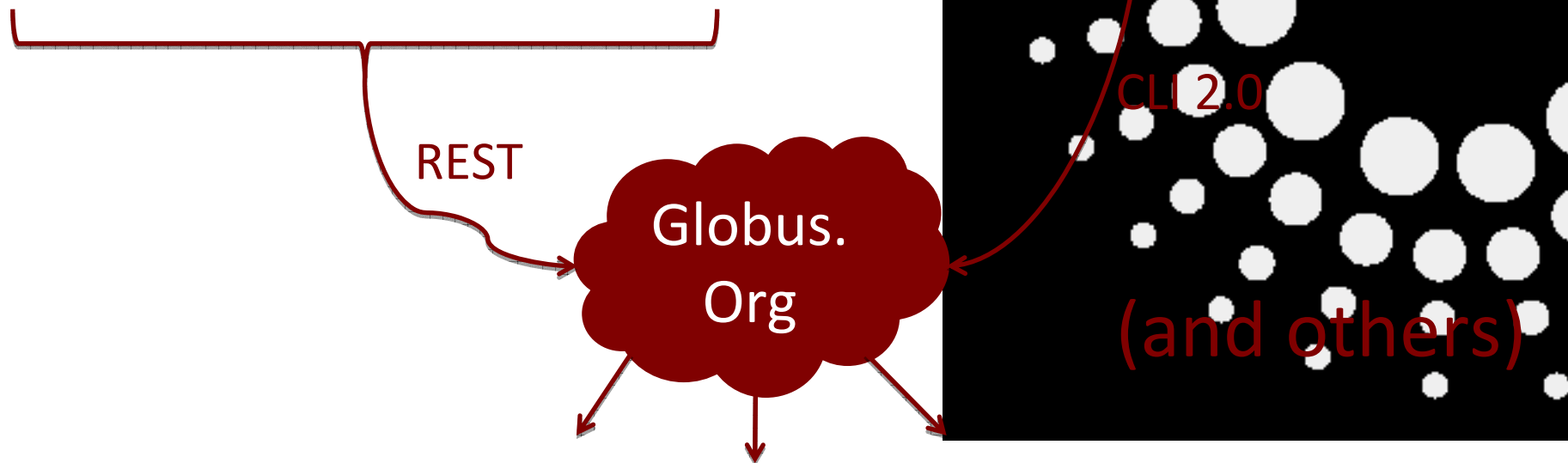
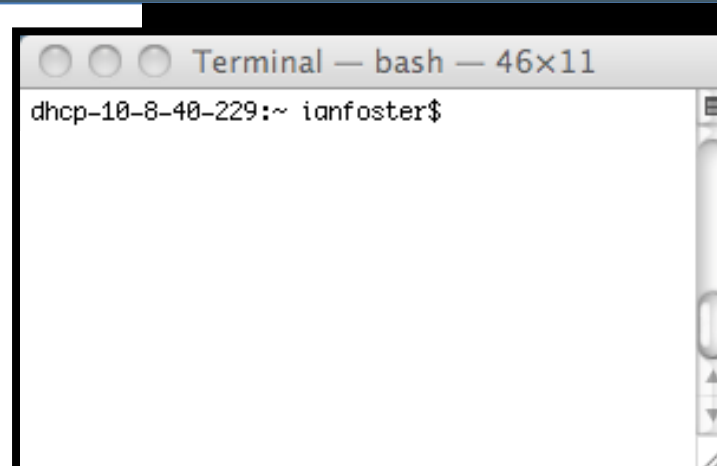
History

- Transfers, resources

...



Lightweight remote access interfaces



CLI 2.0: Lightweight command line interface



CLI 1.0

- Install client library implementing CLI, e.g. Globus libraries
- Write scripts that make CLI calls, e.g.:
globus_url_copy From To
- Updated implementation requires reinstall of library

CLI 2.0

- Write scripts that make CLI calls, e.g.
**sshdemo.globus.org **
xfer From To

Using the CLI 2.0 interface

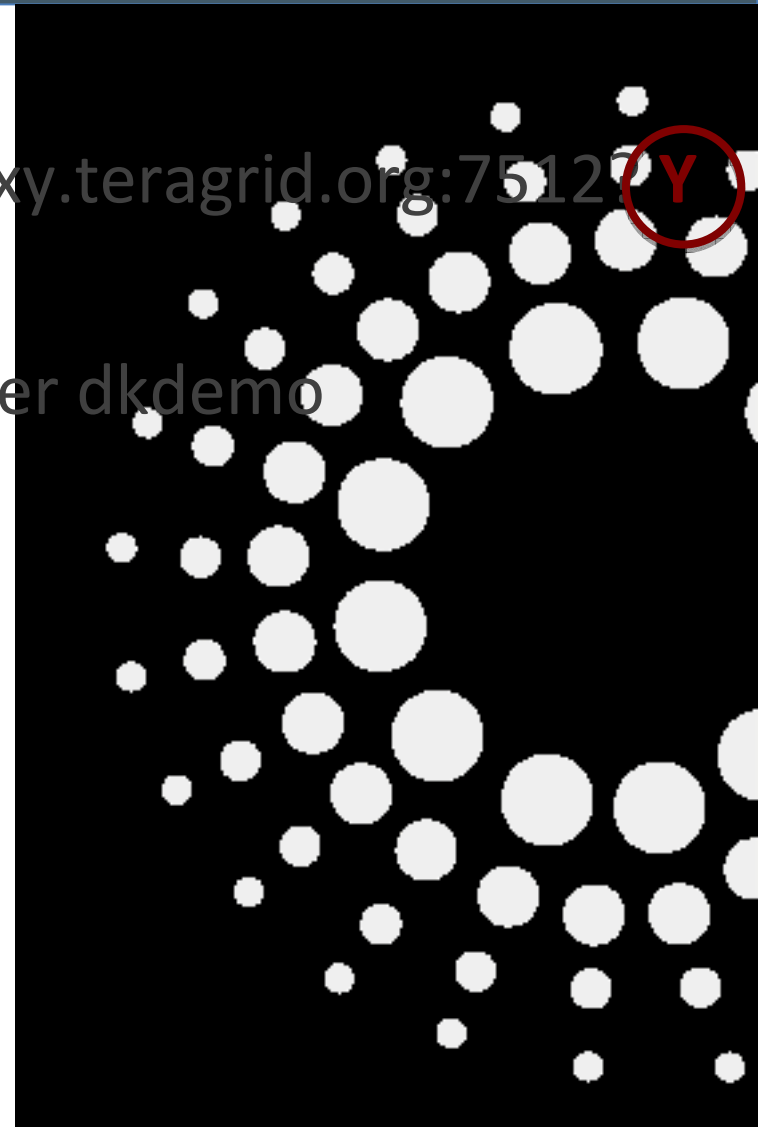


>**ssh -tdemo.globus.org activate**

Do you want to activate using myproxy.teragrid.org:75127 **Y**

MyProxy pass phrase: *********

A credential has been received for user dkdemo



Using the CLI 2.0 interface



>**ssh -tdemo.globus.org activate**

Do you want to activate using myproxy myproxy.teragrid.org:7512? **Y**

MyProxy pass phrase: *********

A credential has been received for user dkdemo

>**sshdemo.globus.orgxfer**

**abe.ncsa.teragrid.org:/u/ncsa/dk/send/train99 **

lonestar.tacc.teragrid.org:/home/01242/dk/recv

foo30e7b5ef-98bb-11de-b4b9-12313902f633



Using the CLI 2.0 interface



>**ssh -tdemo.globus.org activate**

Do you want to activate using myproxy.teragrid.org:7512? **Y**

MyProxy pass phrase: *********

A credential has been received for user dkdemo

>**sshdemo.globus.orgxfer**

**abe.ncsa.teragrid.org:/u/ncsa/dk/send/train99 **

lonestar.tacc.teragrid.org:/home/01242/dk/recv

foo30e7b5ef-98bb-11de-b4b9-12313902f633

>**ssh -tdemo.globus.org status 30e7b5ef-98bb-11de-b4b9-12313902f633**

uuid : 3b13a3d4-98bb-11de-b4b9-12313902f633

status : COMPLETE

source_host : abe.ncsa.teragrid.org

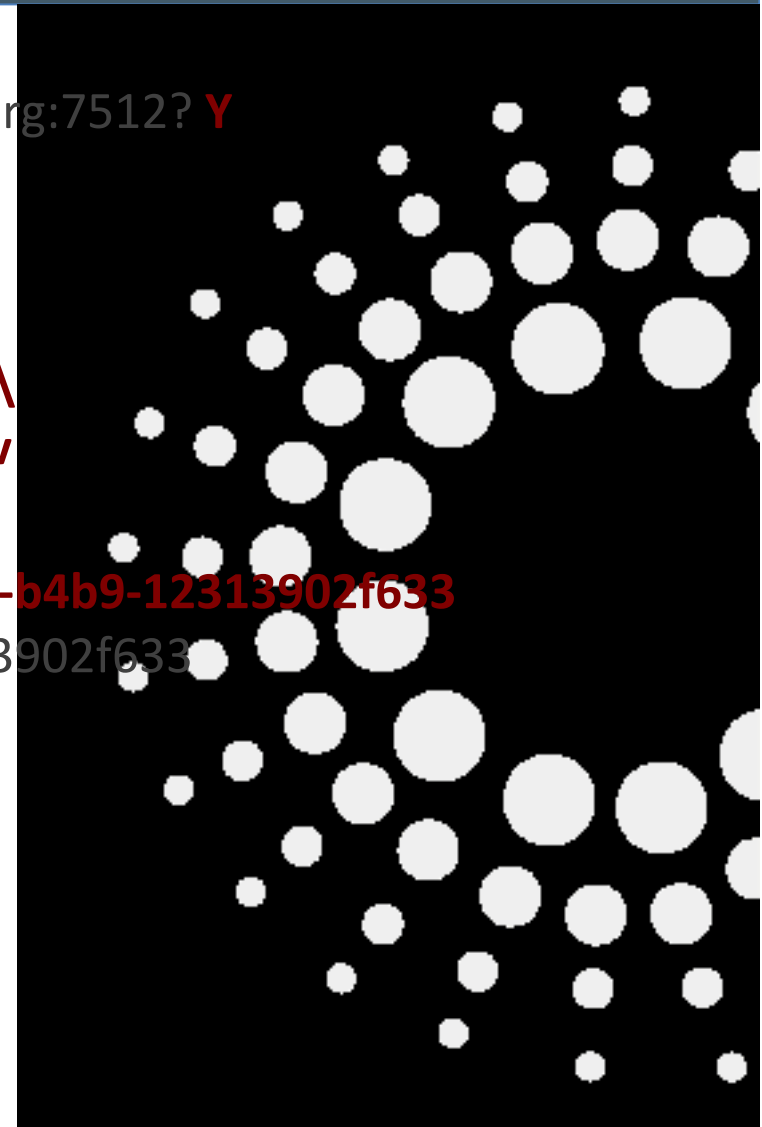
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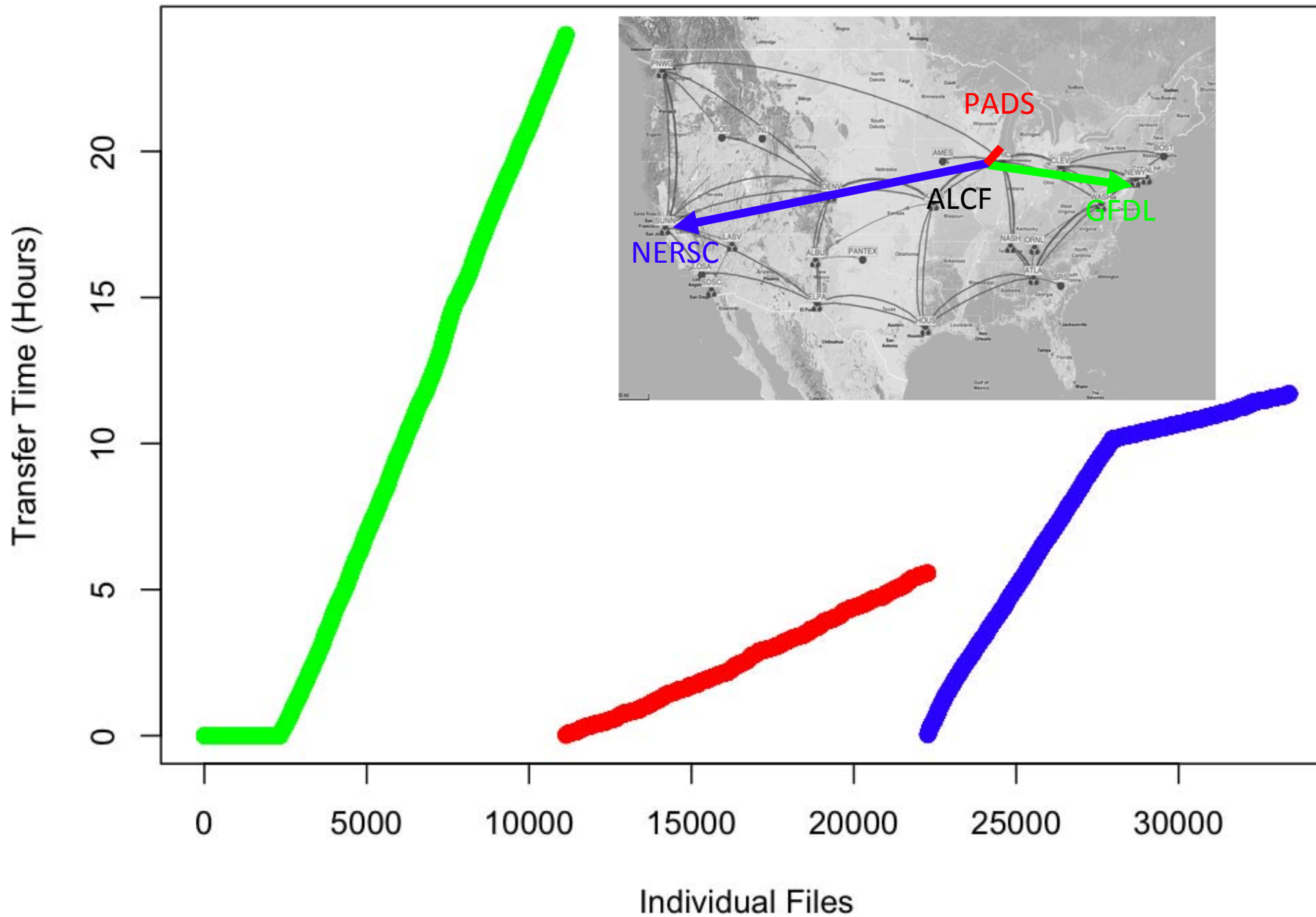
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dest_file : /home/01242/dk/recv/foo

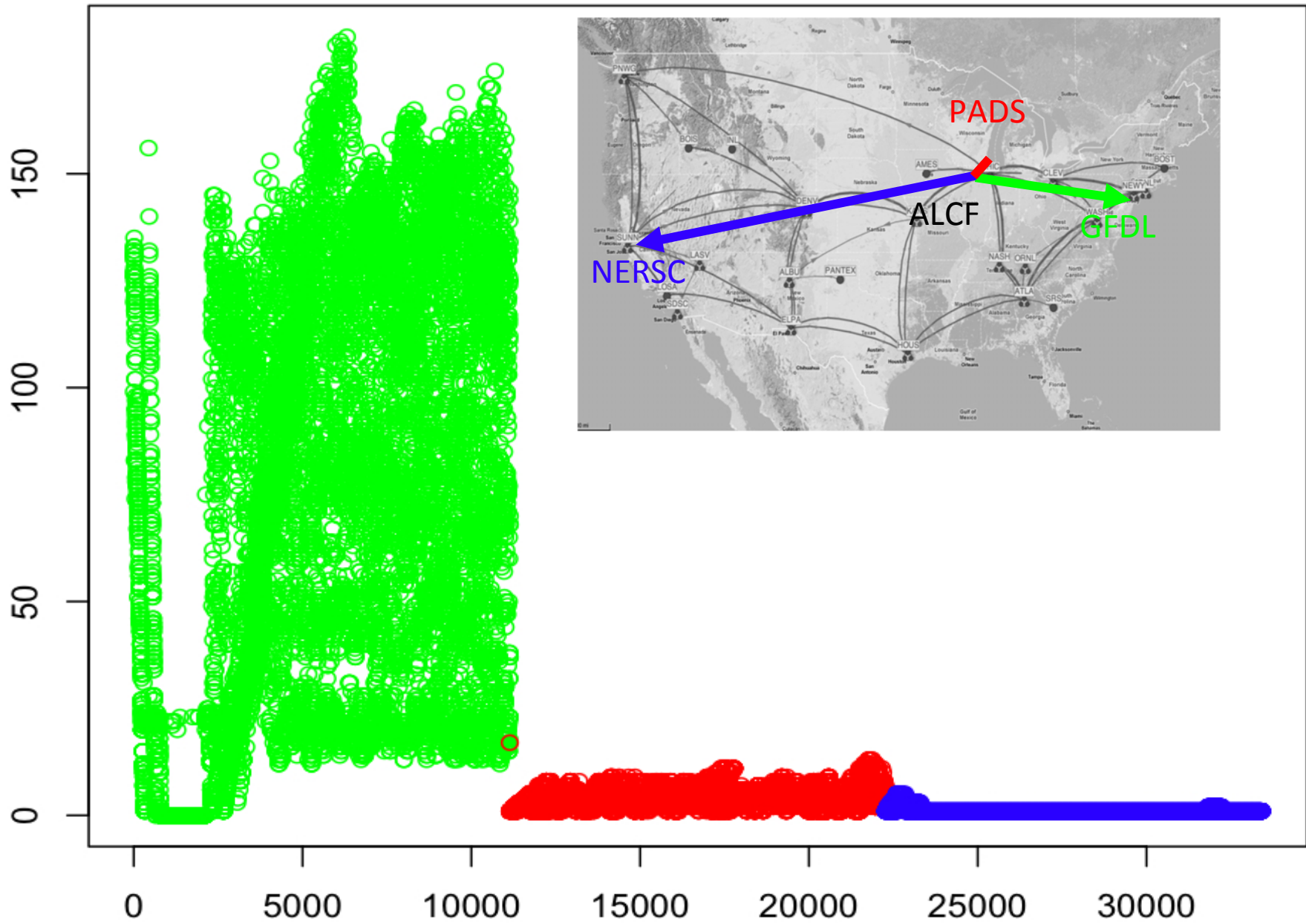
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deadline : 2010-05-01 18:54:38





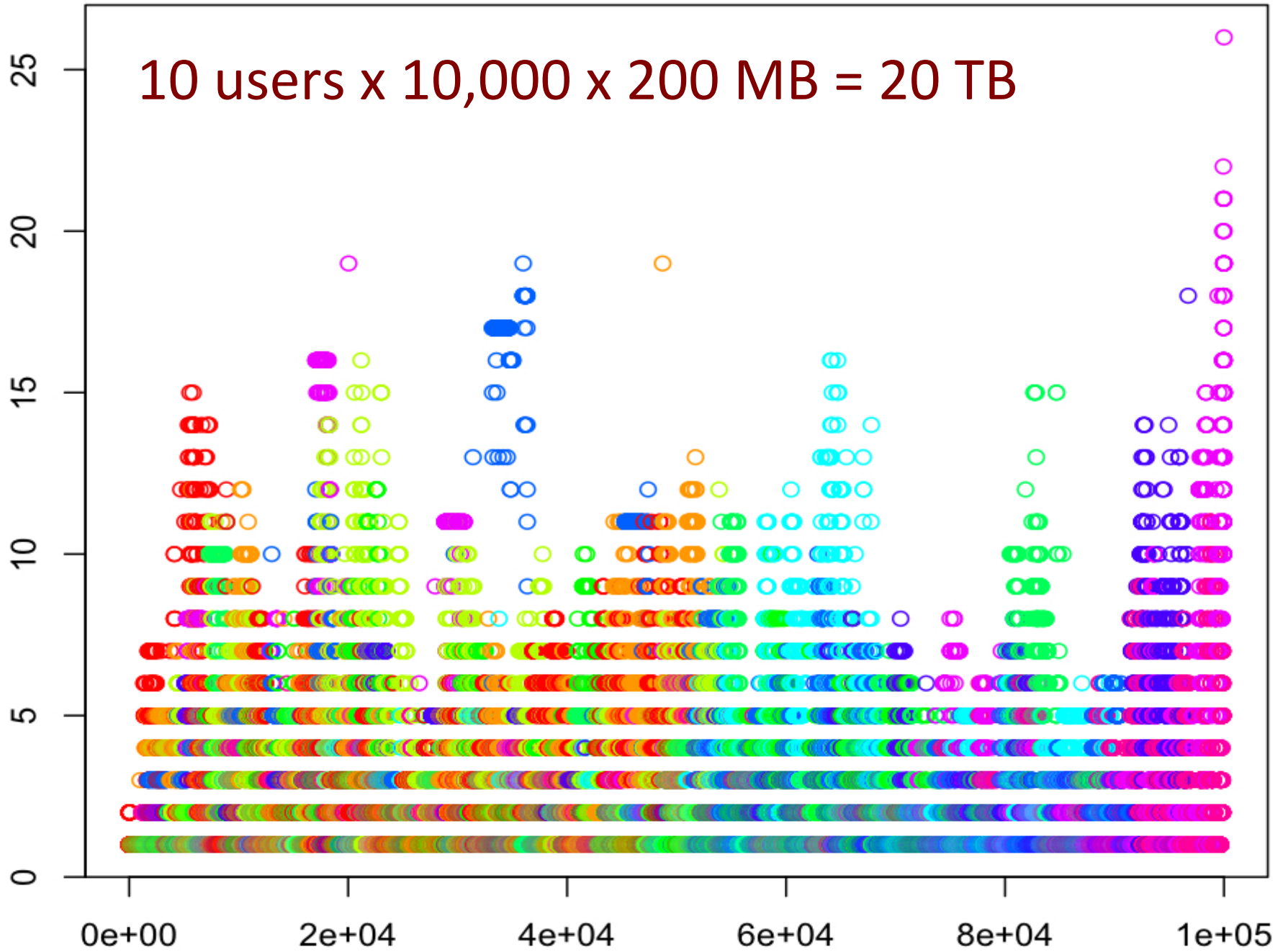
Number of Transfer Attempts



Individual Files

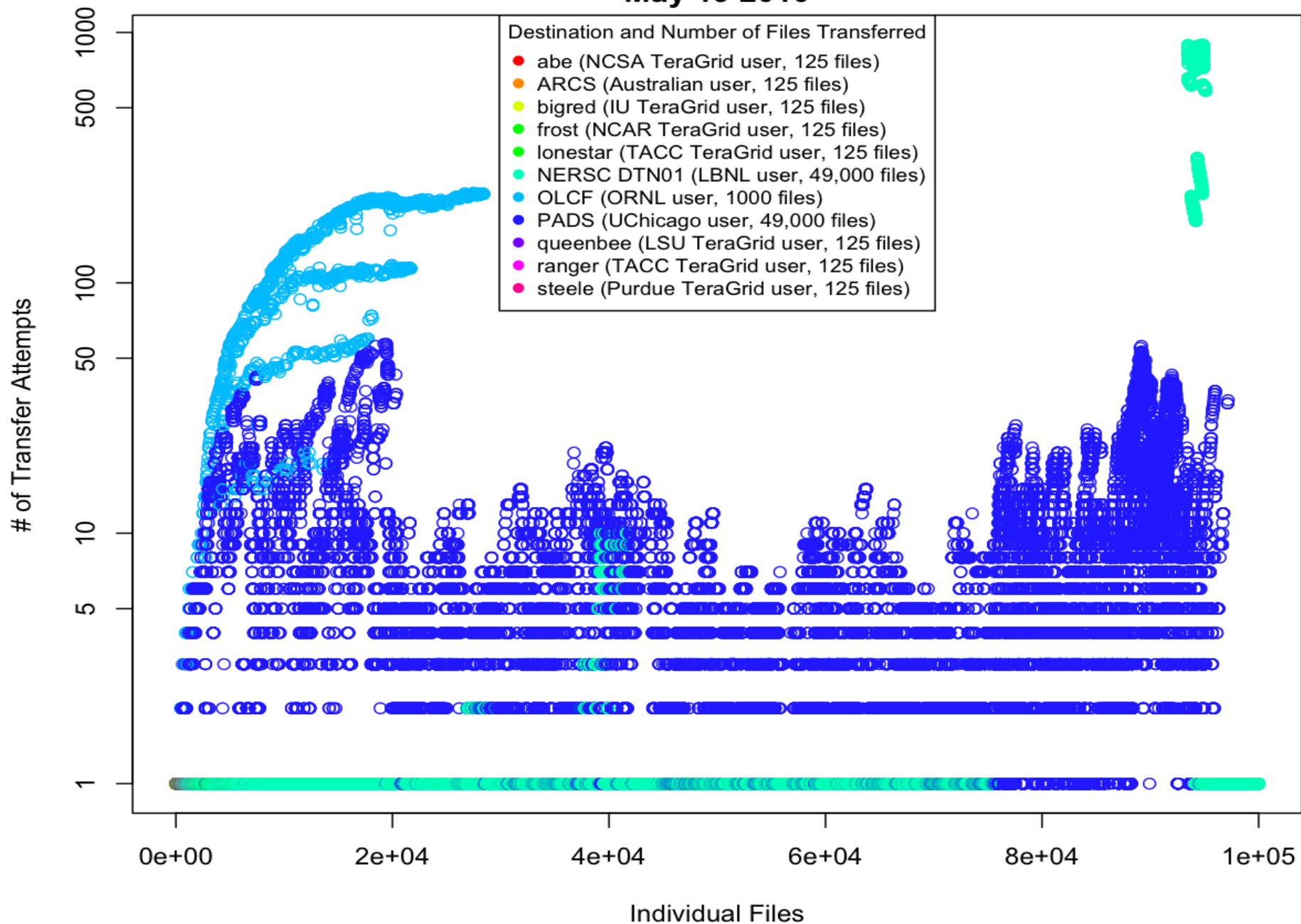
10 users x 10,000 x 200 MB = 20 TB

of Transfer Attempts

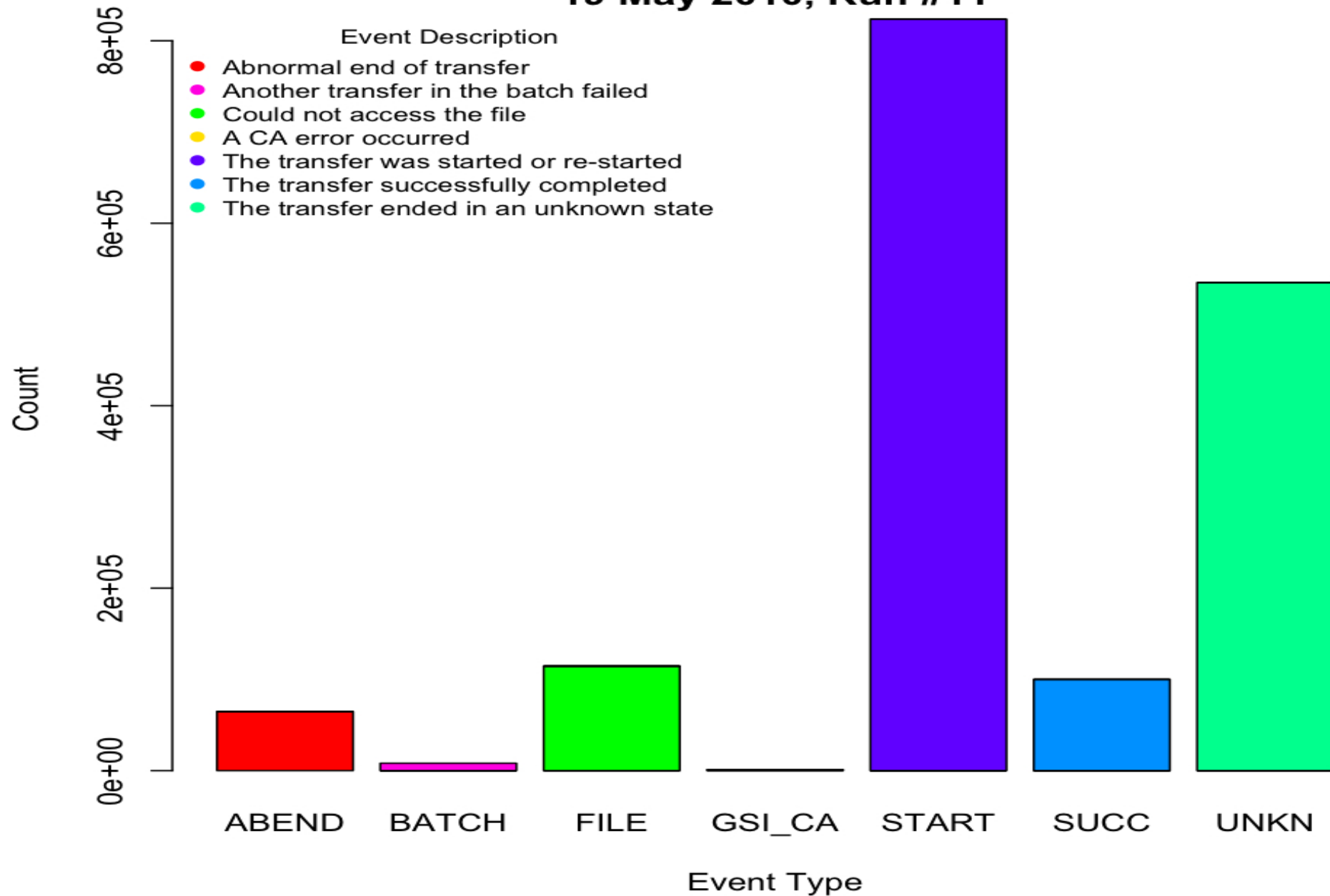


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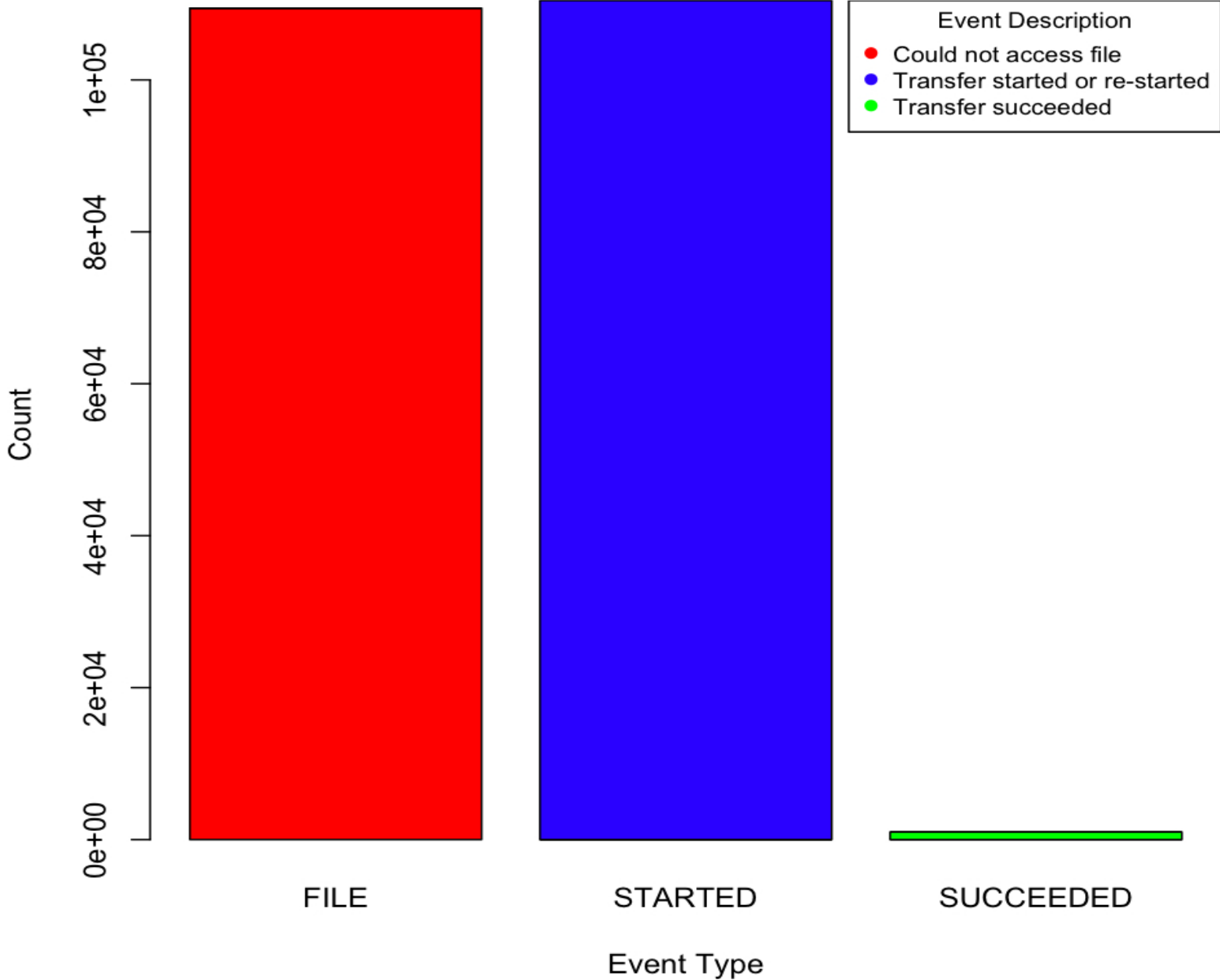
CEDPS Data Challenge #3: Attempts (ordered by Transfer Time, Destination)
11 users transferring a total of 100,000 200MB files from ALCF
May 19 2010

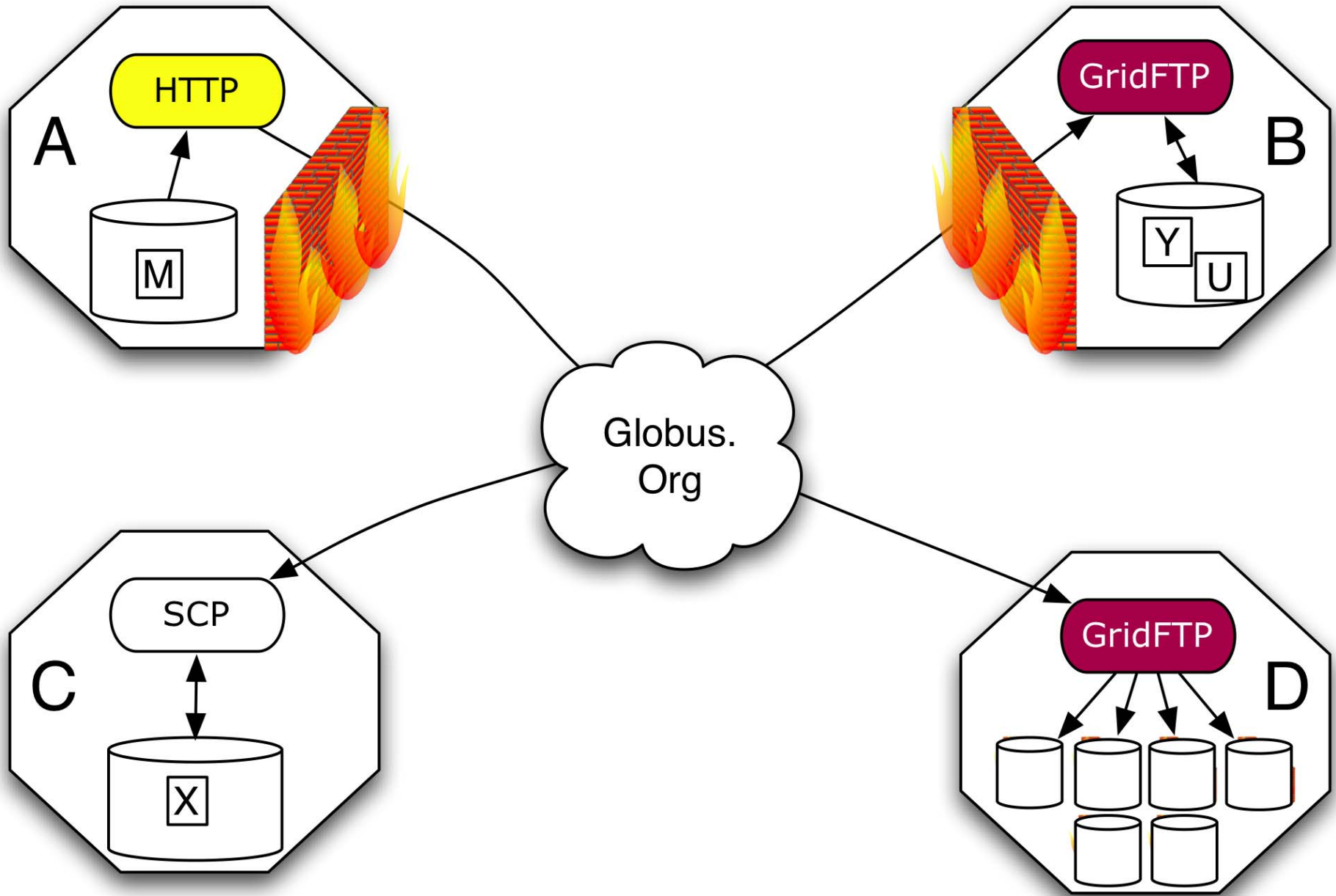


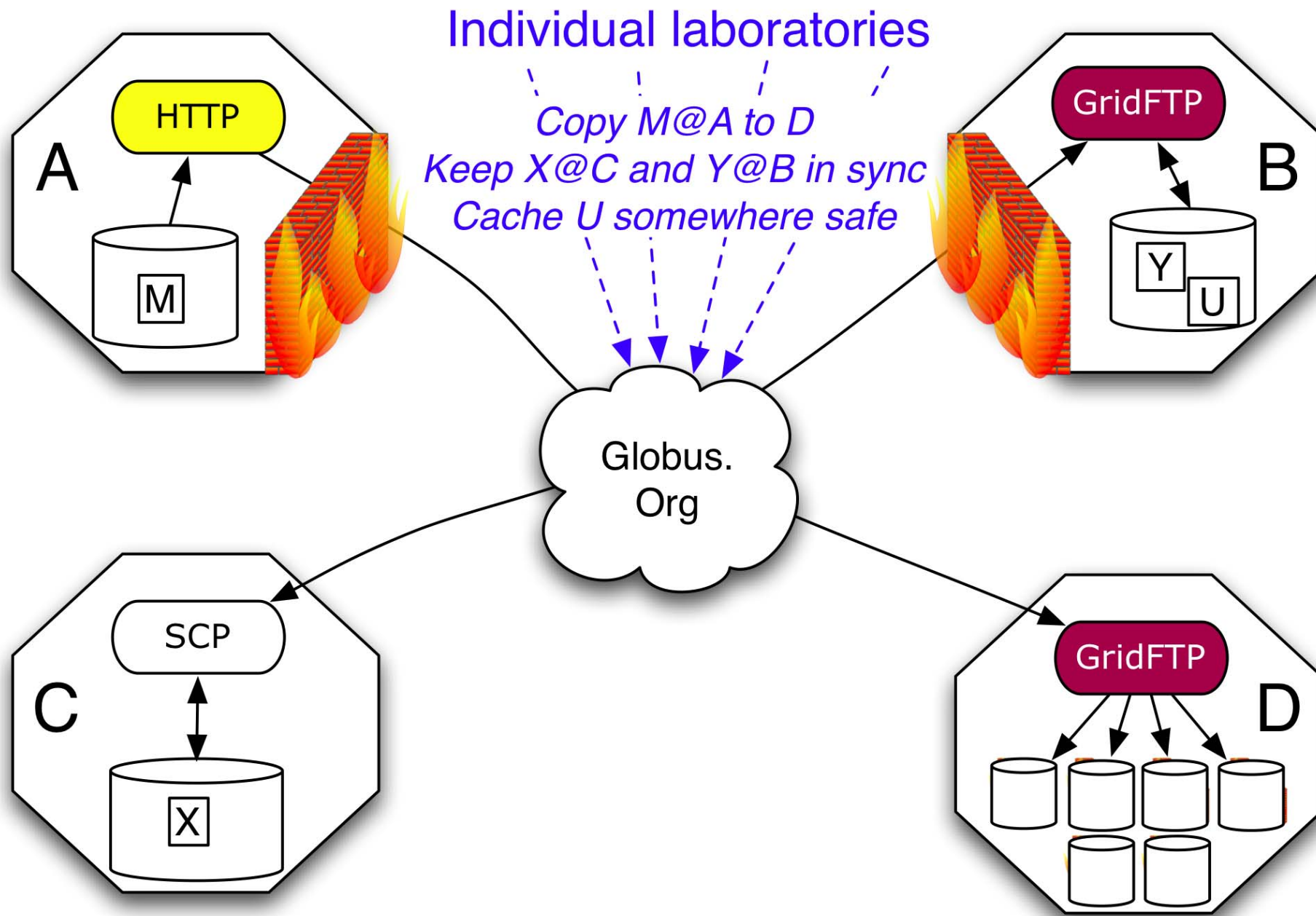
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11 users transferring 100,000 200MB files from ALCF
19 May 2010, Run #11

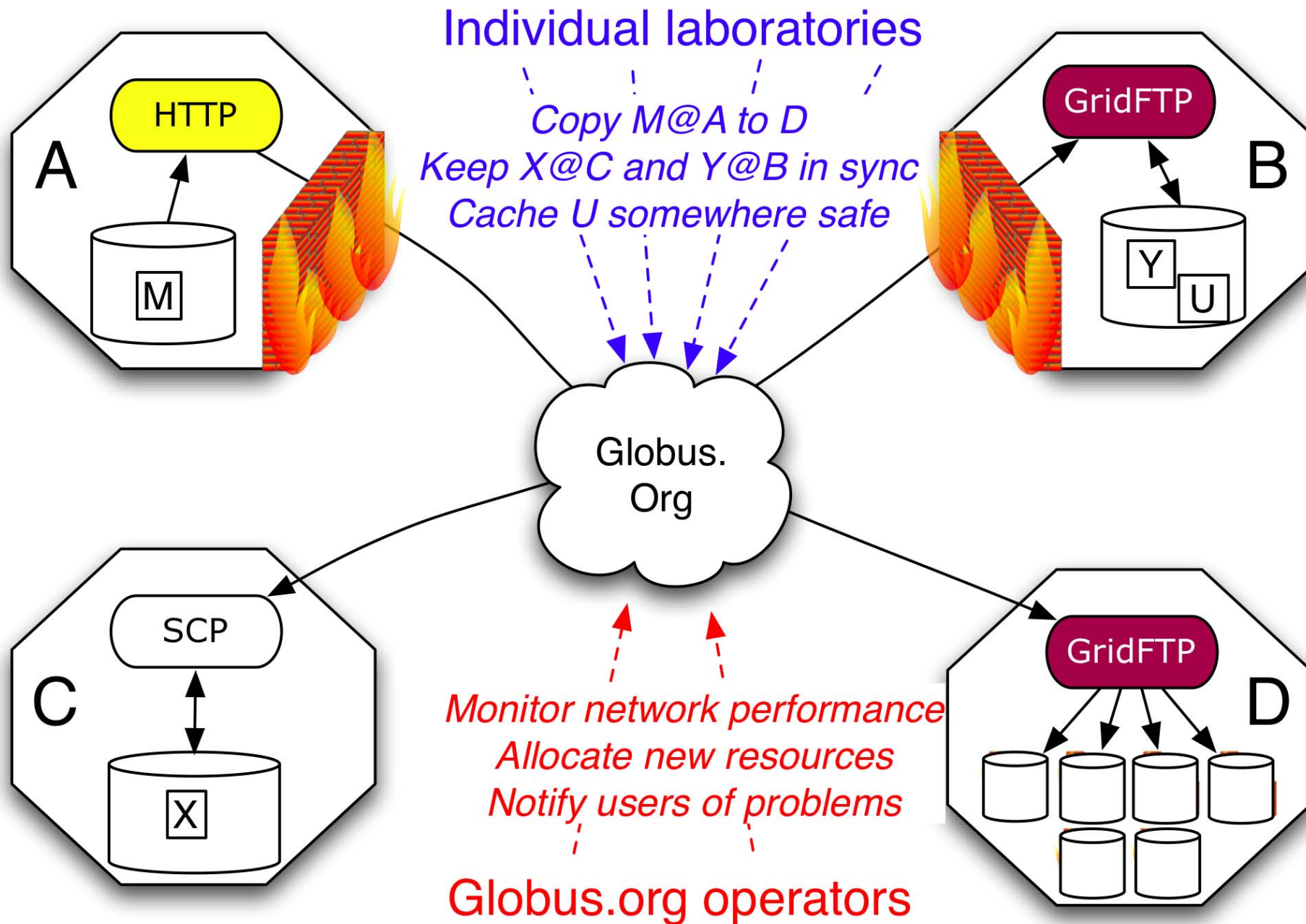


CEDPS Data Challenge #3: Event Summary
Single user transferring 1,000 200MB files from ALCF to OLCF
19 May 2010, Run #11







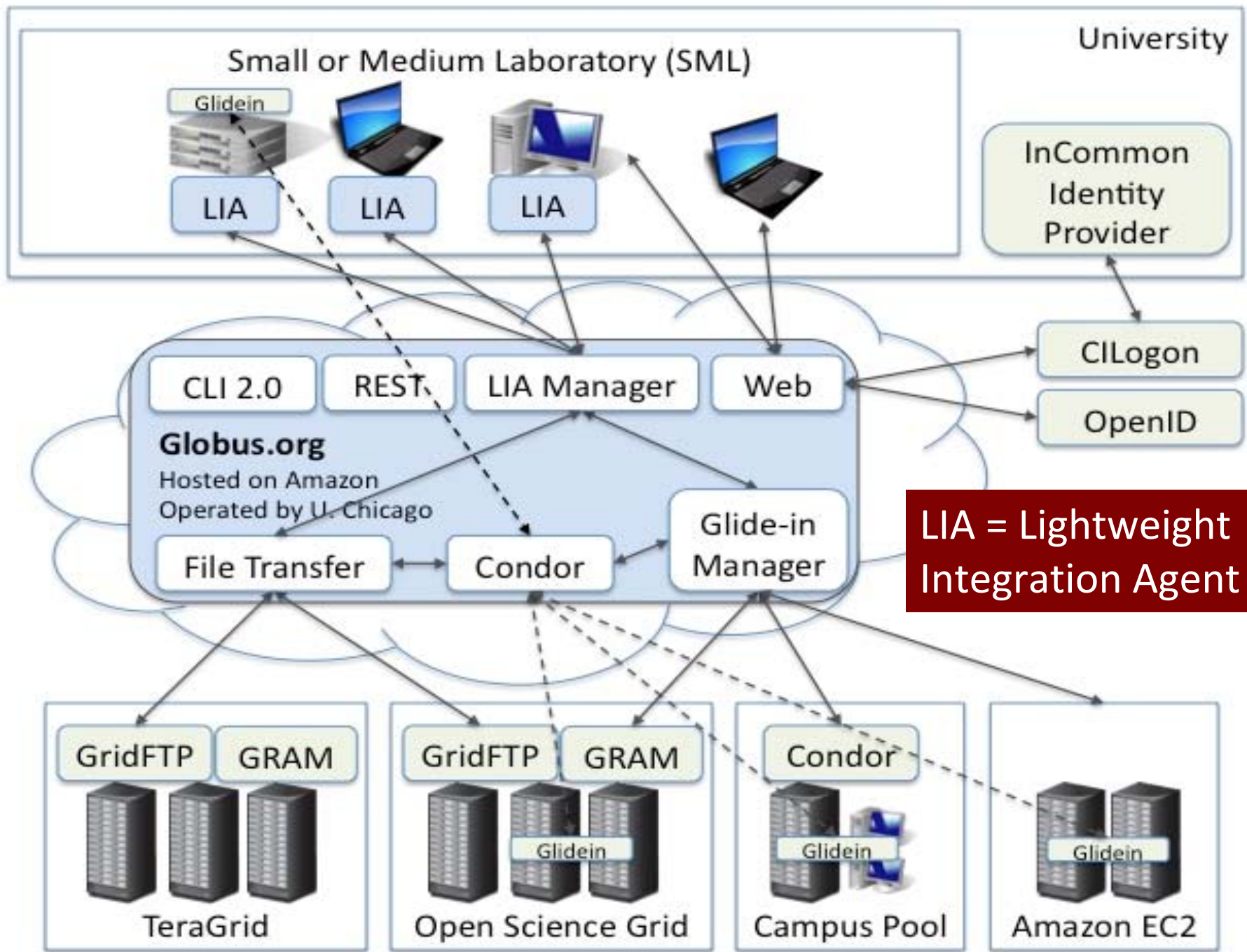


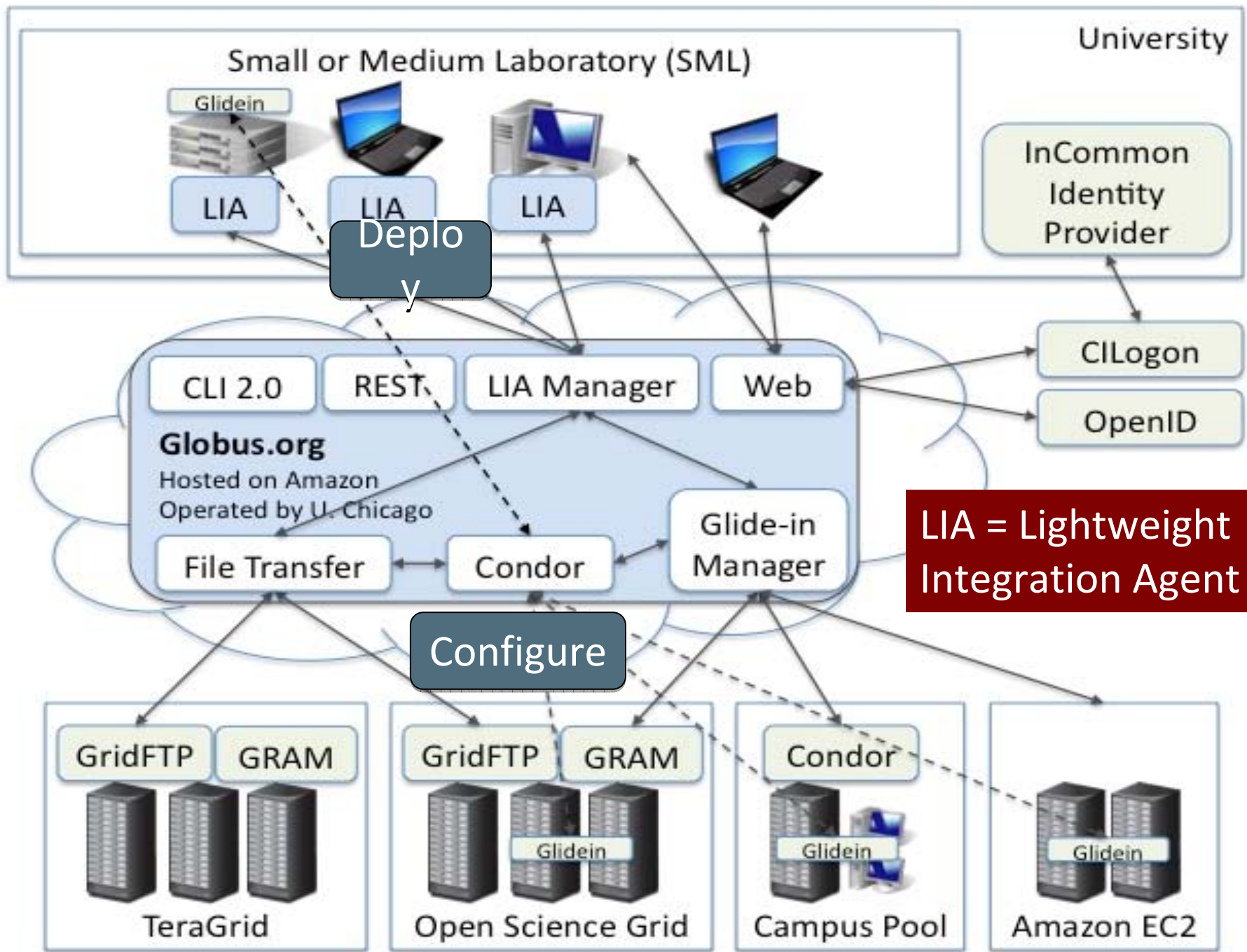
Thinking outside the box for science

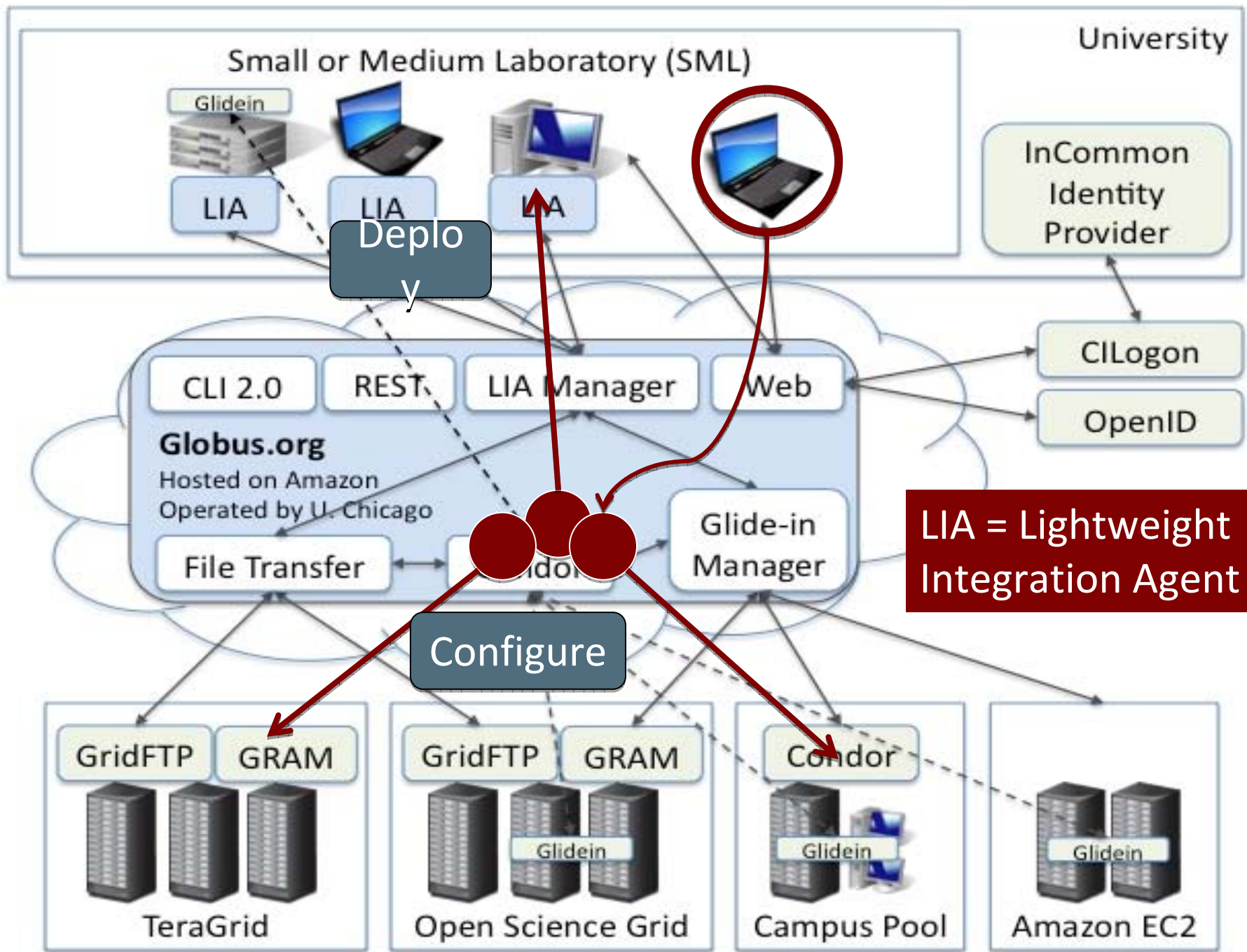


- Run experiments
- Collect data
- Manage data
- Move data
- Analyze data
- **Run simulations**
- Compare experiment with simulation
- Search the literature
- Share results
- Communicate with colleagues
- Publish papers
- Find, configure, install relevant software
- Find, access, analyze relevant data
- Document research
- Order supplies
- ...

“Sci-SaaS”







Other Sci-SaaS services planned



- VO management
 - Groups, membership, policies (via Grouper)
- Computation mgmt
 - Run this computation
 - Analyze any files deposited in directory
- Data management
 - Storage and indexing
 - Archiving and lifecycle
 - Publication and sharing
- Workflow management
 - Data ingest and analysis pipelines
- Meta-computations
 - Uncertainty quantification
 - Optimization

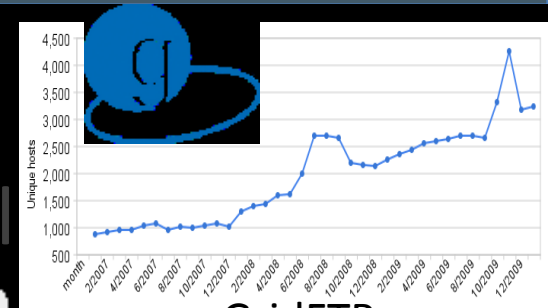
Looking for partners to, e.g.

- Expand set of services
- Host services in other geographies

A few words on Globus



- Use of all components growing
- Many new projects, esp. biomedical
- New software releases and services
 - GRAM5: modernized C-based GRAM2 (now)
 - Crux: next-gen services platform (soon)
 - Native packaging for all components (soon)
 - Globus.org (in alpha)
- Initiative for Globus in Europe (IGE)
 - www.ige-project.eu
- GlobusWorld in Chicago in Feb 2010



Summary: Thinking outside the box



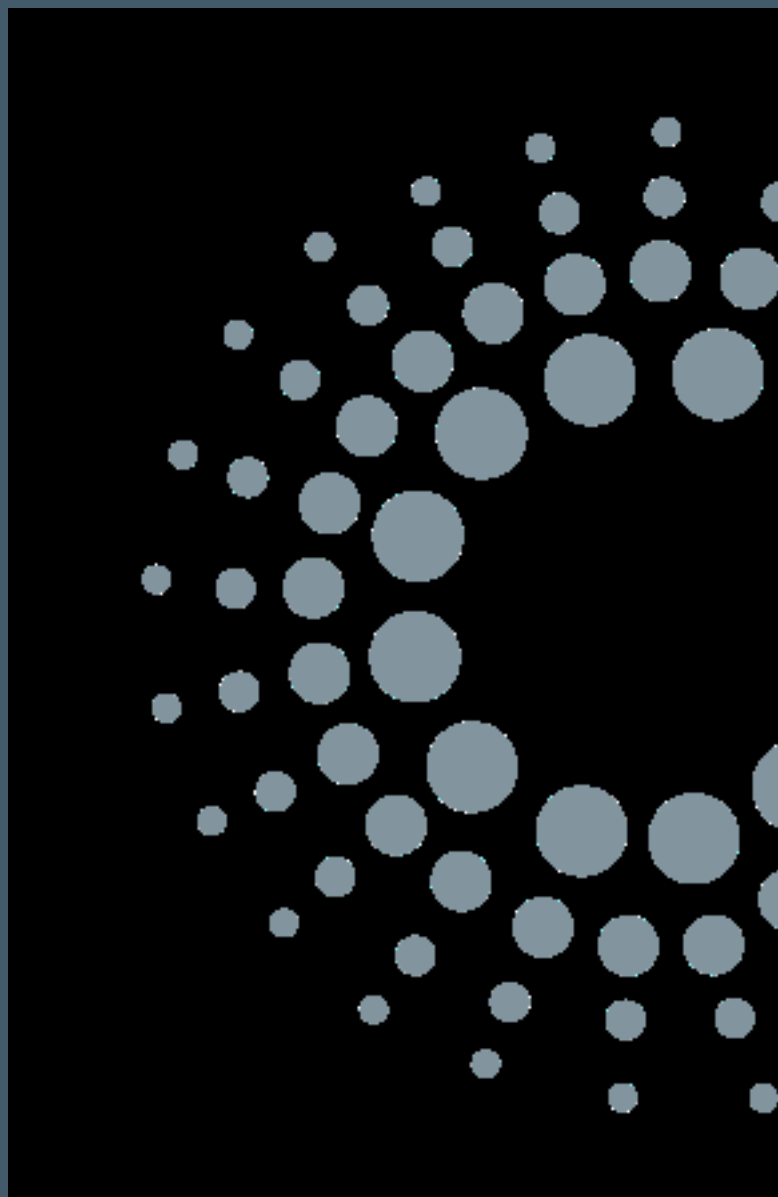
Outsource complex and mundane activities to third parties

- **Services** make distributed resources and capabilities accessible over the network
- **Grid** assists with **integration** via standardized service interfaces and collective VO services
- **Cloud** provides for scalable **hosting** of collective services

Globus.org services aim to implement a broad range of hosted services for science (Sci-SaaS)



Thank you



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