Enhancing Scientific Computations with Scientific Workflows

Pegasus Workflow Management System

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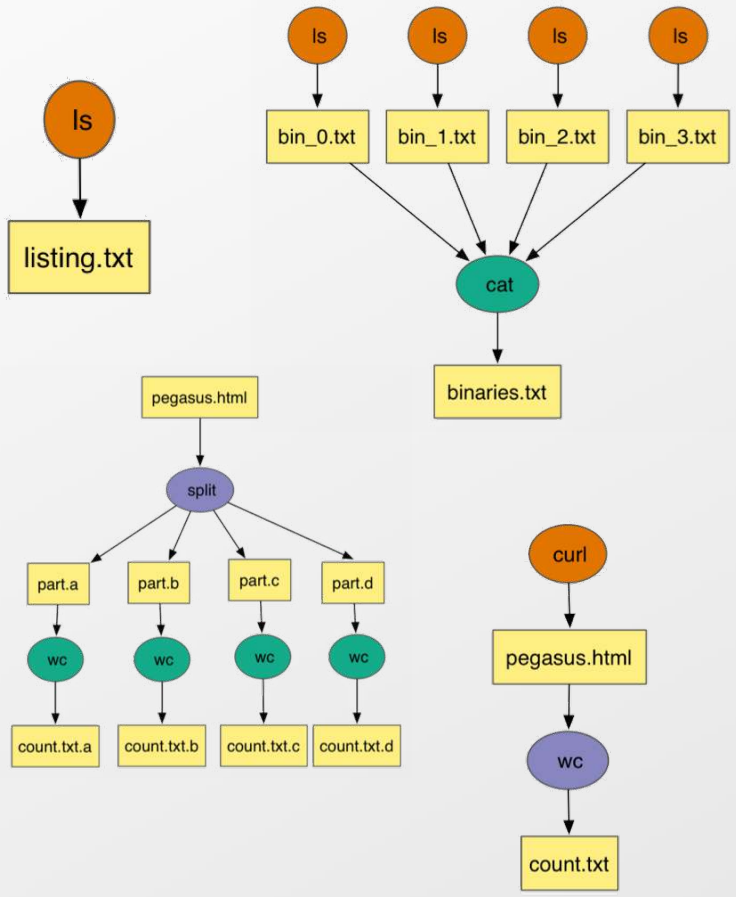
Compute Pipelines Building Blocks



Compute Pipelines

Allows scientists to connect different codes together and execute their analysis

Pipelines can be very simple (independent or parallel) jobs or complex represented as DAG's

Helps users to automate scale up

However, it is still up-to user to figure out

Data Management

How do you ship in the small/large amounts data required by your pipeline and protocols to use?

How best to leverage different infrastructure setups

OSG has no shared filesystem while XSEDE and your local campus cluster has one!

Debug and Monitor Computations

Correlate data across lots of log files

Need to know what host a job ran on and how it was invoked

Restructure Workflows for Improved Performance

Short running tasks? Data placement

Why Pegasus?

Automates complex, multi-stage processing pipelines

Enables parallel, **distributed computations**

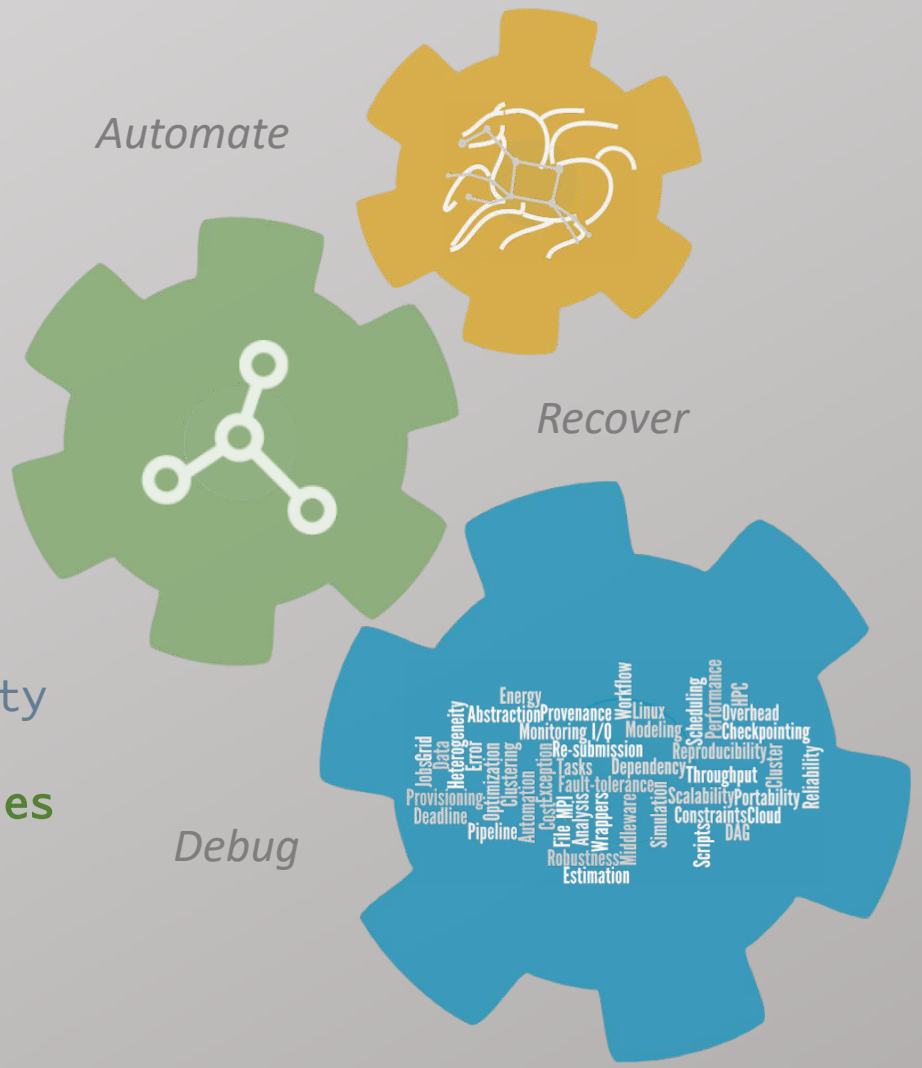
Automatically executes data transfers

Reusable, aids **reproducibility**

Records how data was produced (**provenance**)

Handles **failures** with to provide reliability

Keeps track of data and **files**

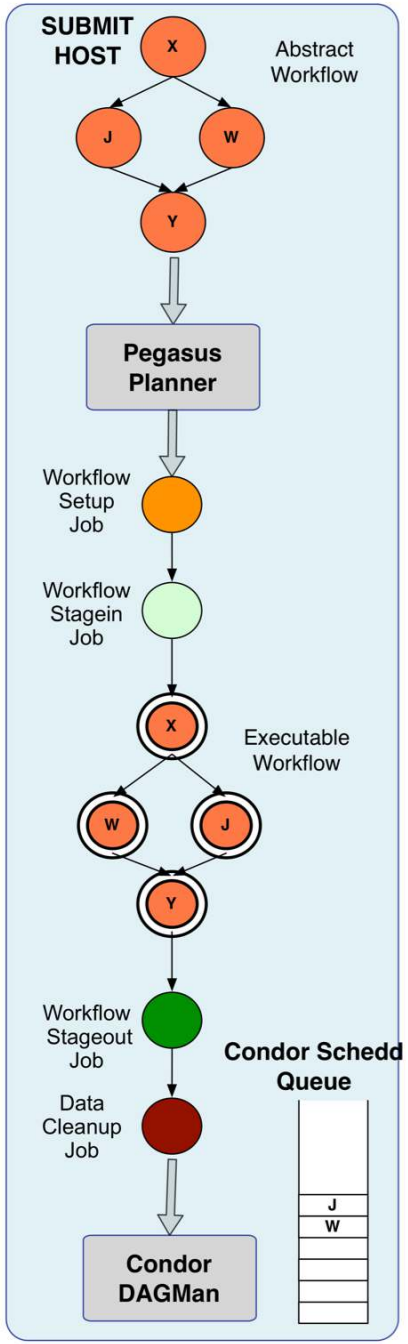


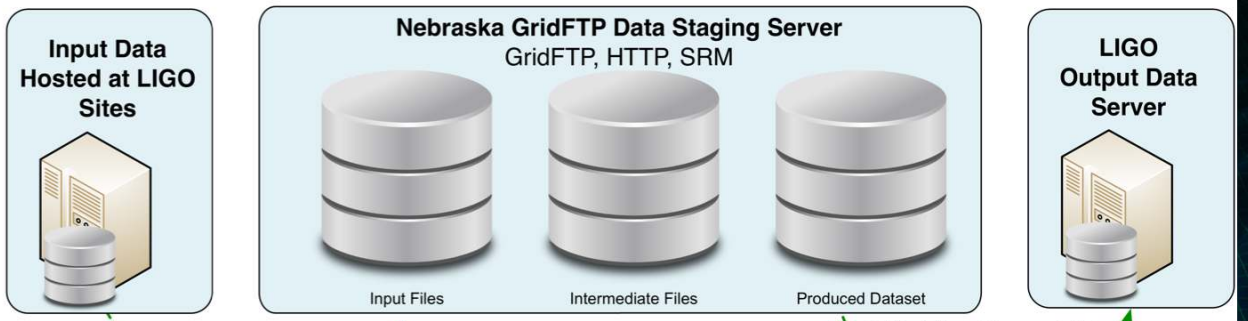
HTCondor High Throughput Computing

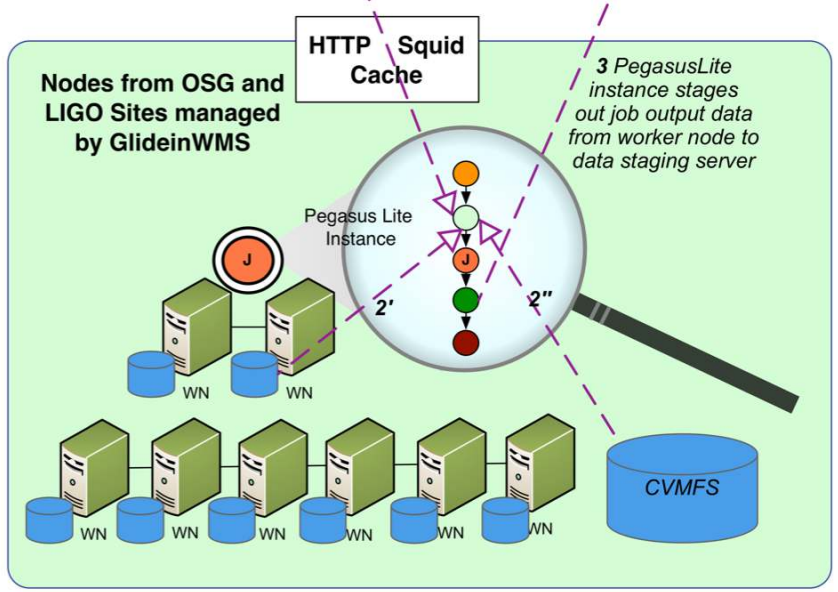
NSF funded project since 2001, with close collaboration with HTCondor team

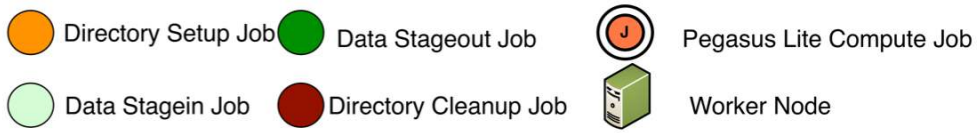
Some of the successful stories…

Data Flow for LIGO Pegasus Workflows in OSG





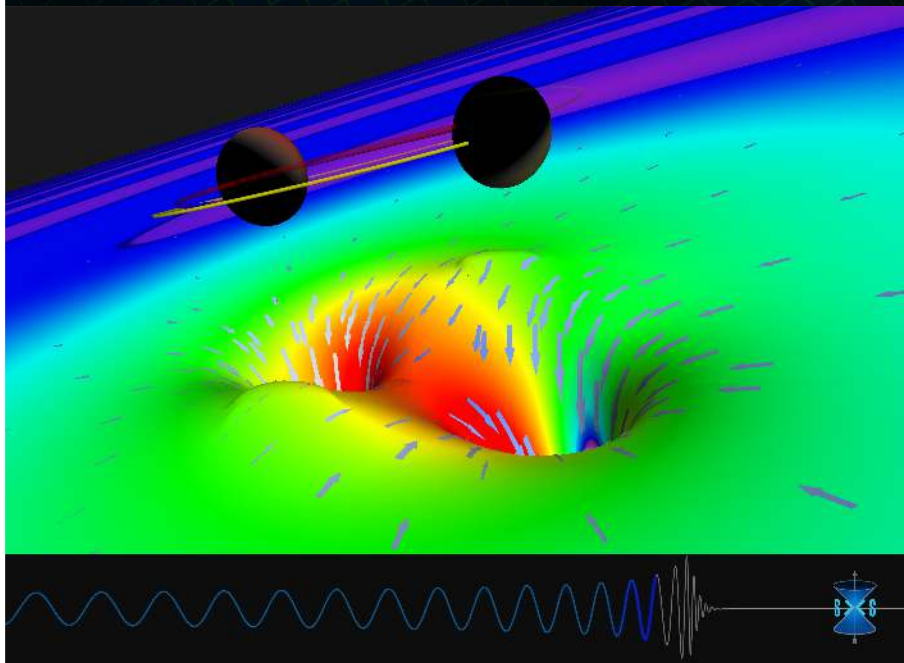




Advanced LIGO – Laser Interferometer Gravitational Wave Observatory

60,000 compute tasks
Input Data: 5000 files (10GB total)
Output Data: 60,000 files (60GB total)

executed on LIGO Data Grid, Open Science Grid and XSEDE



Advanced LIGO PyCBC Workflow

One of the main pipelines to measure the statistical significance of data needed for discovery

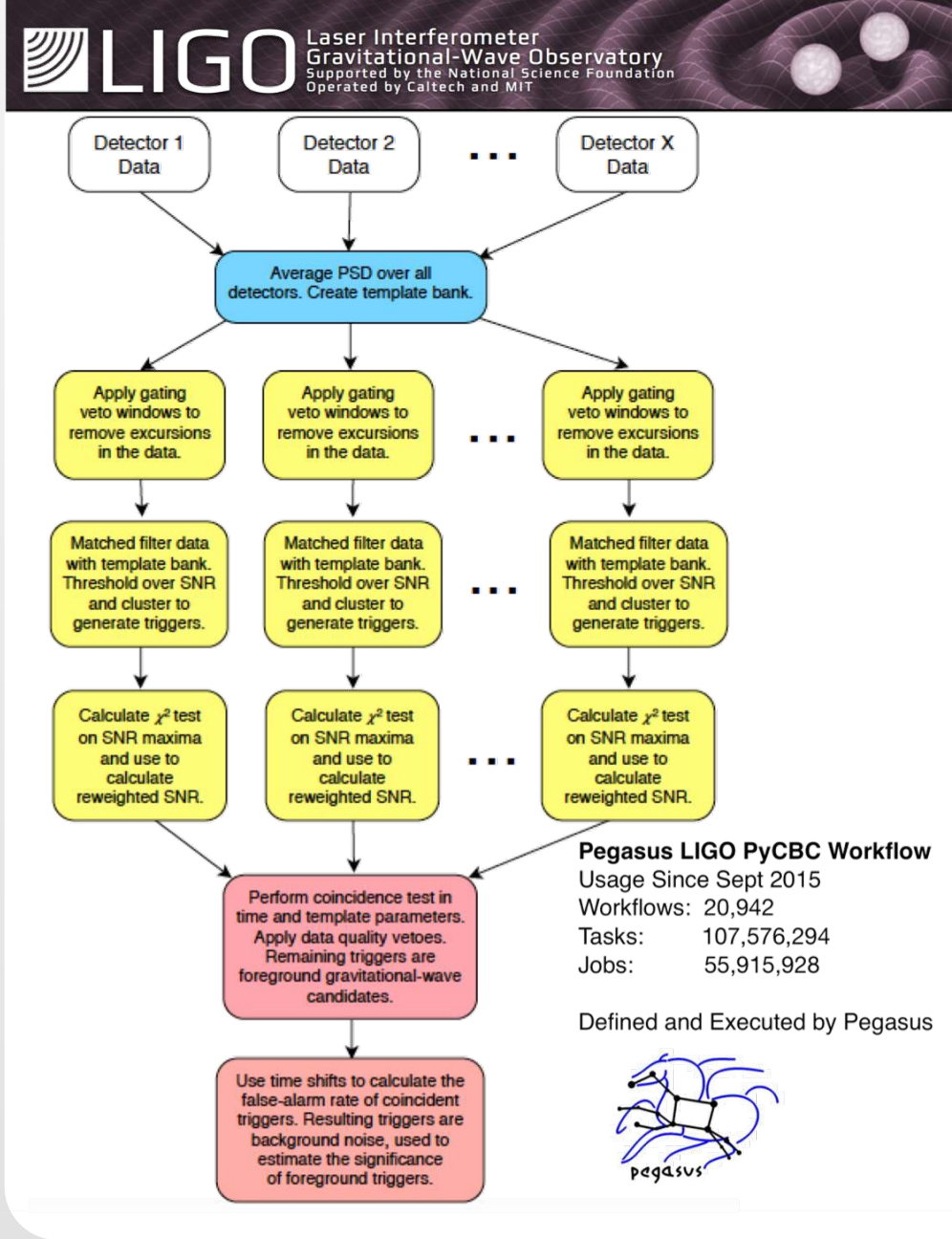
Contains **100's of thousands of jobs** and accesses on order of **terabytes of data**

Uses data from multiple detectors

For the detection, the pipeline was executed on Syracuse and Albert Einstein Institute Hannover

A single run of the binary black hole + binary neutron star search through the O1 data (about 3 calendar months of data with 50% duty cycle) requires a **workflow** with **194,364 jobs**

Generating the final O1 results with all the review required for the first discovery took about **20 million core hours**



PyCBC Papers: An improved pipeline to search for gravitational waves from compact binary coalescence. *Samantha Usman, Duncan Brown et al.*
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PyCBC Detection GW150914: First results from the search for binary black hole coalescence with Advanced LIGO. *B. P. Abbott et al.*

Southern California Earthquake Center's
CyberShake

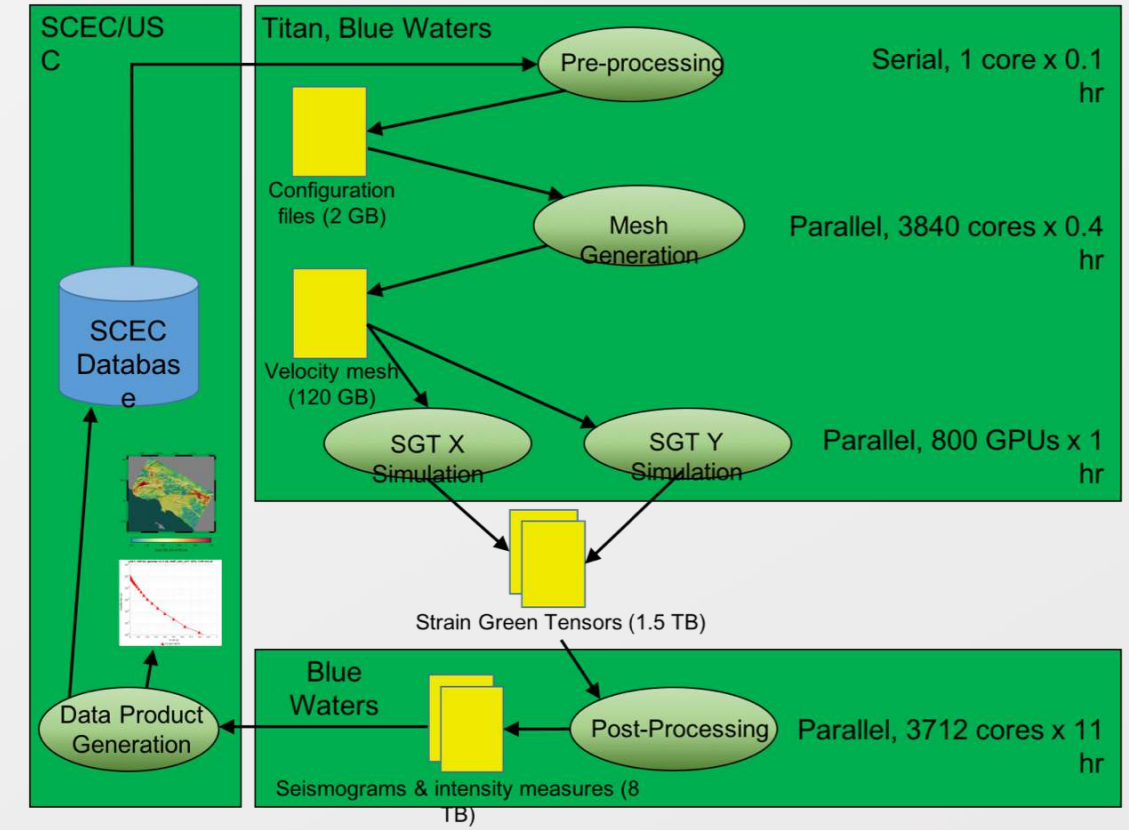
Builders ask seismologists: What will the peak ground motion be at my new building in the next 50 years?

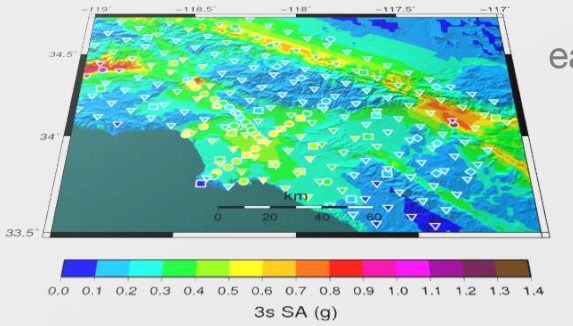
Seismologists answer this question using Probabilistic Seismic Hazard Analysis (PSHA)

CPU jobs (Mesh generation, seismogram synthesis):
1,094,000 node-hours
GPU jobs: 439,000 node-hours
- AWP-ODC finite-difference code
- 5 billion points per volume, 23000 timesteps
- 200 GPUs for 1 hour

Titan:
- 421,000 CPU node-hours, 110,000 GPU node-hours

Blue Waters:
- 673,000 CPU node-hours, 329,000 GPU node-hours

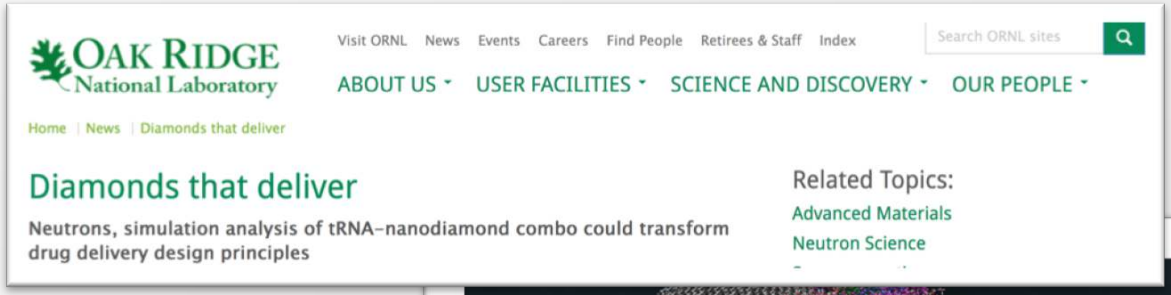


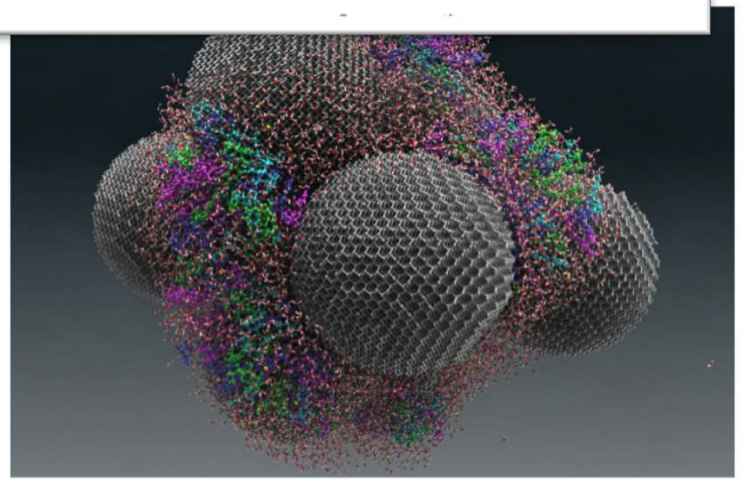


286 sites, 4 models
each workflow has **420,000 tasks**

Impact on DOE Science

Enabled cutting-edge domain science (e.g., drug delivery) through collaboration with scientists at the DoE **Spallation Neutron Source (SNS)** facility



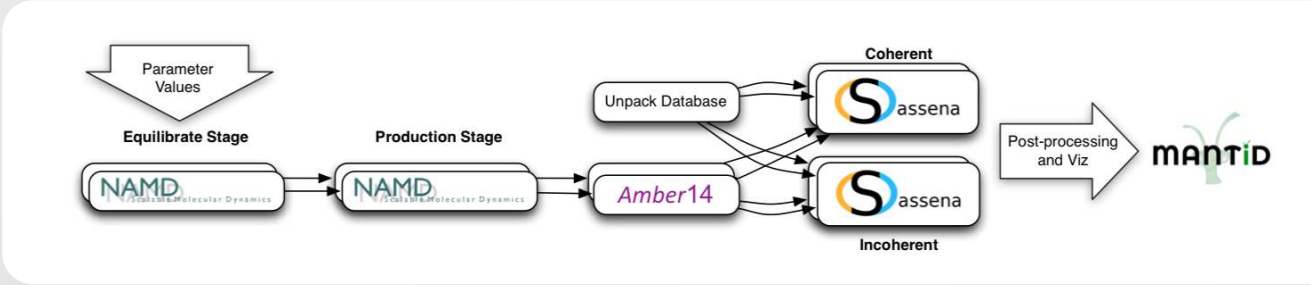


Water is seen as small red and white molecules on large nanodiamond spheres. The colored tRNA can be seen on the nanodiamond surface. (Image Credit: Michael Mattheson, OLCF, ORNL)

A Pegasus workflow was developed that confirmed that ***nanodiamonds*** can enhance the dynamics of tRNA

- It compared SNS neutron scattering data with MD simulations by calculating the epsilon that best matches experimental data

Ran on a Cray XE6 at NERSC using 400,000 CPU hours, and generated 3TB of data.



An automated analysis workflow for optimization of force-field parameters using neutron scattering data. *V. E. Lynch, J. M. Borreguero, D. Bhowmik, P. Ganesh, B. G. Sumpter, T. E. Proffen, M. Goswami, Journal of Computational Physics, July 2017.*

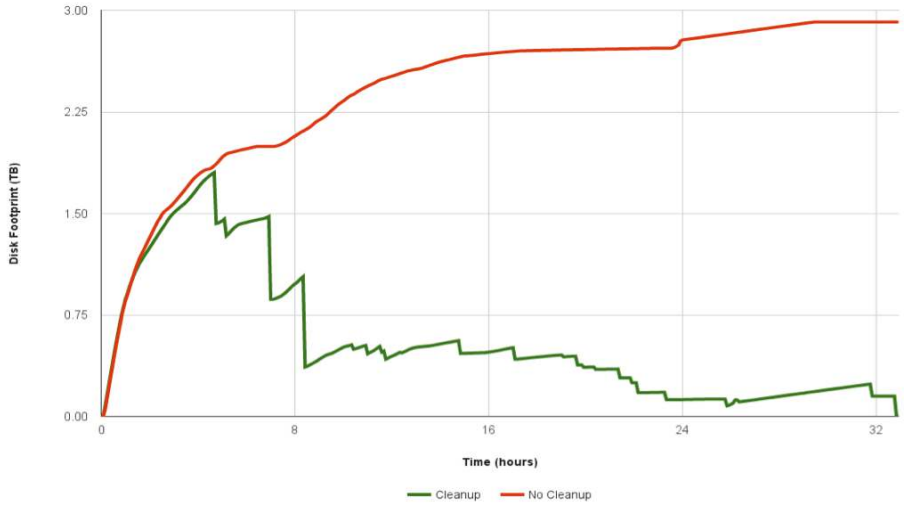
Soybean Workflow

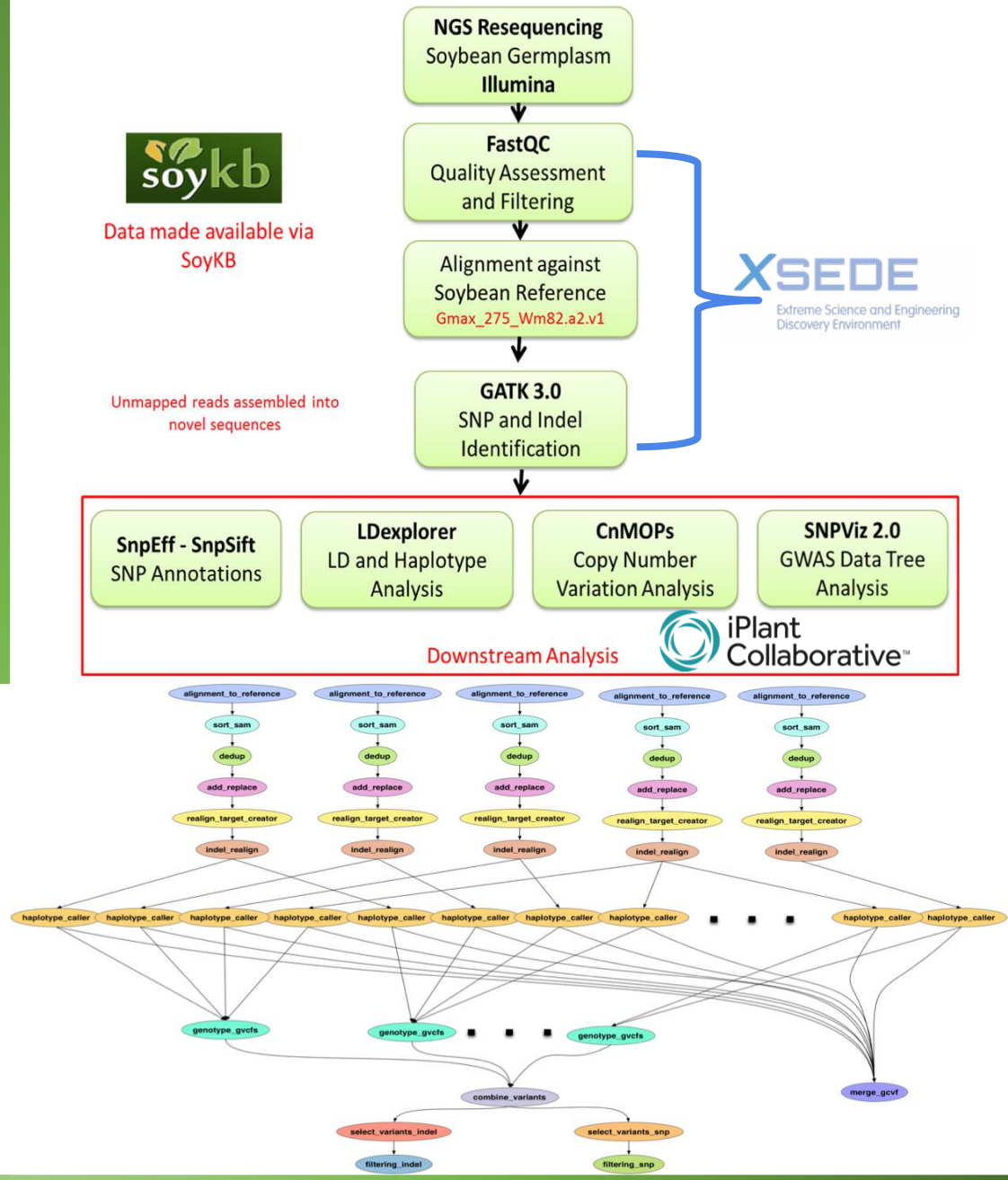
TACC Wrangler as Execution Environment

Flash Based Shared Storage

Switched to glideins (pilot jobs) - Brings in remote compute nodes and joins them to the HTCondor pool on the submit host - Workflow runs at a finer granularity

Works well on Wrangler due to more cores and memory per node (48 cores, 128 GB RAM)



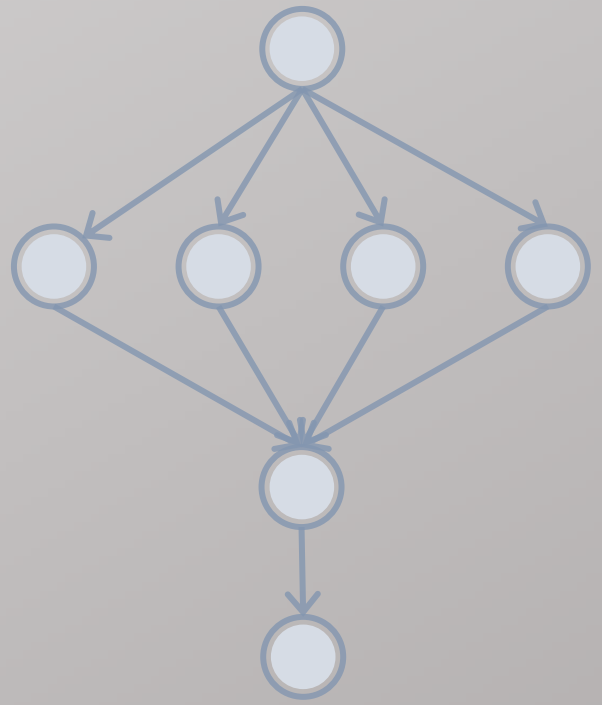


Basic concepts…

Key Pegasus Concepts

Pegasus WMS == Pegasus planner (mapper) + DAGMan workflow engine + HTCondor scheduler/broker

- Pegasus maps workflows to infrastructure
- DAGMan manages dependencies and reliability
- HTCondor is used as a broker to interface with different schedulers



Workflows are DAGs

- Nodes: jobs, edges: dependencies
- No while loops, no conditional branches
- Jobs are standalone executables

Planning occurs ahead of execution

Planning converts an abstract workflow into a concrete, executable workflow

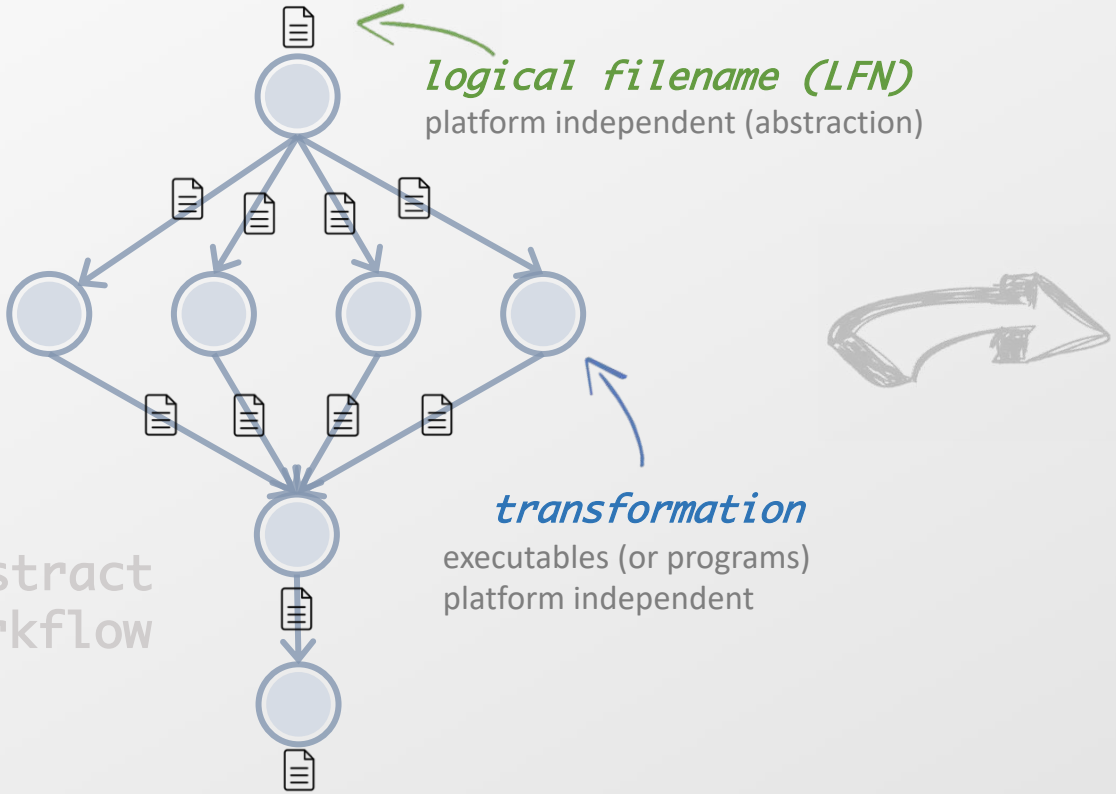
- Planner is like a compiler

DAX

DAG in XML

Portable Description

Users do not worry about
low level execution details



logical filename (LFN)
platform independent (abstraction)

transformation
executables (or programs)
platform independent

abstract
workflow

DAG

directed-acyclic graphs

stage-in job
Transfers the workflow input data

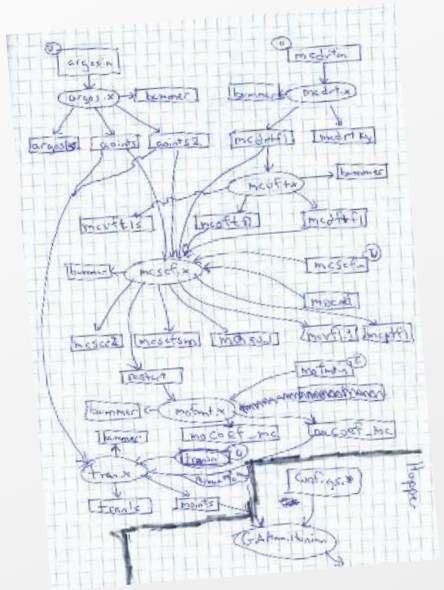
cleanup job
Removes unused data

stage-out job
Transfers the workflow output data

registration job
Registers the workflow output data

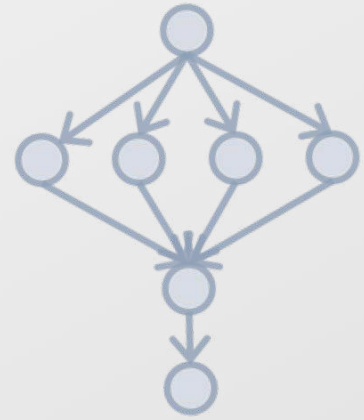
executable
workflow

Pegasus also provides tools to generate the abstract workflow



```python
#!/usr/bin/env python

from Pegasus.DAX3 import *
import sys
import os

# Create a abstract dag
dax = ADAG("hello_world")

# Add the hello job
hello = Job(namespace="hello_world",
            name="hello", version="1.0")
b = File("f.b")
hello.uses(a, link=Link.INPUT)
hello.uses(b, link=Link.OUTPUT)
dax.addJob(hello)

# Add the world job (depends on the hello job)
world = Job(namespace="hello_world",
            name="world", version="1.0")
c = File("f.c")
world.uses(b, link=Link.INPUT)
world.uses(c, link=Link.OUTPUT)
dax.addJob(world)

# Add control-flow dependencies
dax.addDependency(Dependency(parent=hello,
                             child=world))

# Write the DAX to stdout
dax.writeXML(sys.stdout)
```

python™ Java R perl jupyter



```xml
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>

<!-- generator: python -->
<adag xmlns="http://pegasus.isi.edu/schema/DAX"
            version="3.4" name="hello_world">

    <!-- describe the jobs making
        up the hello world pipeline -->
    <job id="ID0000001" namespace="hello_world"
                    name="hello" version="1.0">

        <uses name="f.b" link="output"/>
        <uses name="f.a" link="input"/>
    </job>

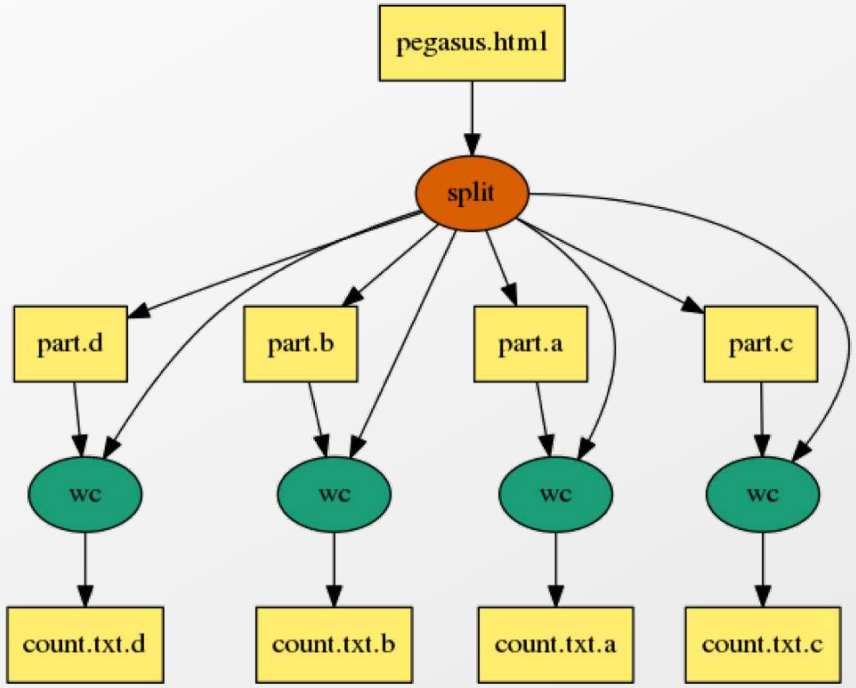
    <job id="ID0000002" namespace="hello_world"
                    name="world" version="1.0">

        <uses name="f.b" link="input"/>
        <uses name="f.c" link="output"/>
    </job>

    <!-- describe the edges in the DAG -->
    <child ref="ID0000002">
        <parent ref="ID0000001"/>
    </child>
</adag>
```

DAX DAG in XML

An example
Split Workflow



Visualization Tools:
pegasus-graphviz
pegasus-plots

```
#!/usr/bin/env python

import os, pwd, sys, time
from Pegasus.DAX3 import *

# Create an abstract dag
dax = ADAG("split")

webpage = File("pegasus.html")

# the split job that splits the webpage into smaller chunks
split = Job("split")
split.addArguments("-l","100","-a","1",webpage,"part.")
split.uses(webpage, link=Link.INPUT)
# associate the label with the job. all jobs with same label
# are run with PMC when doing job clustering
split.addProfile( Profile("pegasus","label","p1"))
dax.addJob(split)

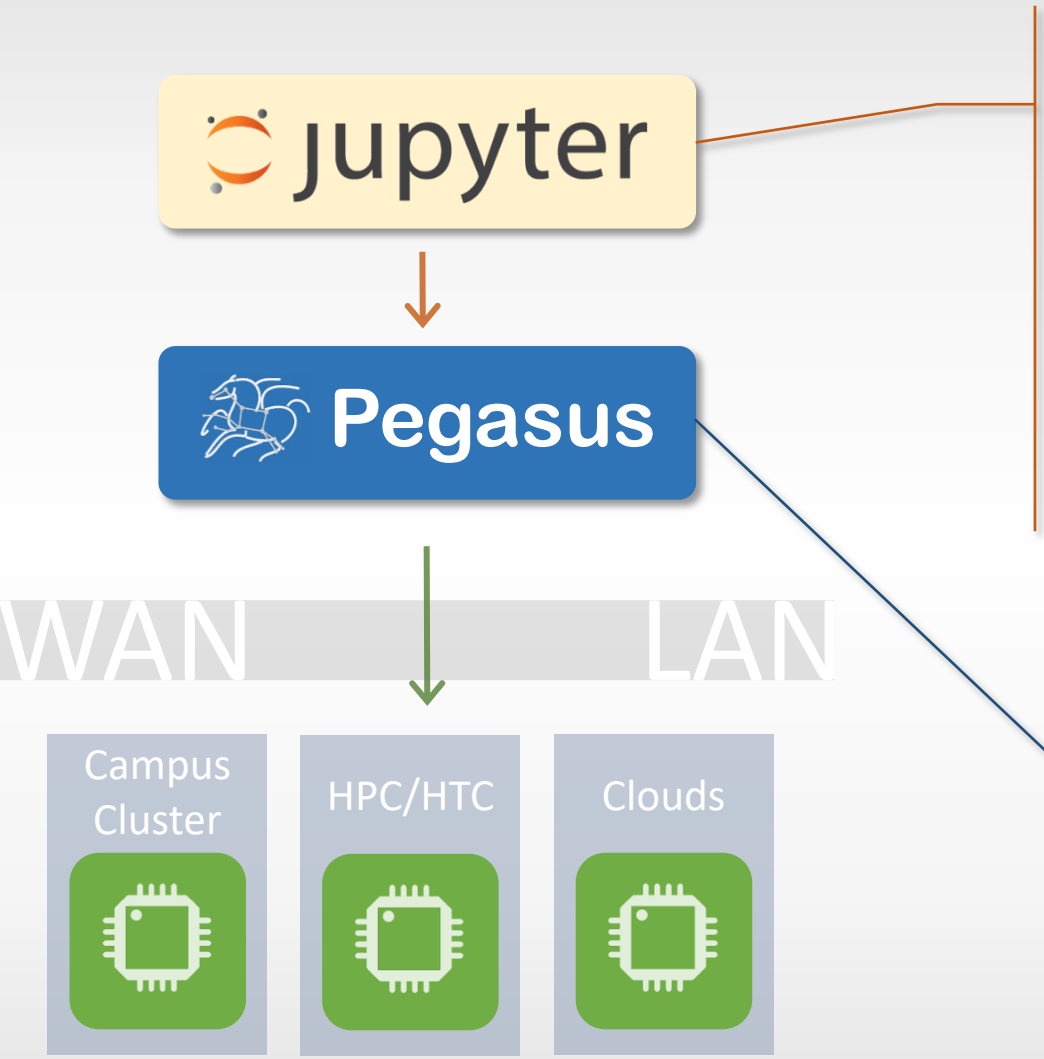
# we do a parmeter sweep on the first 4 chunks created
for c in "abcd":
    part = File("part.%s" % c)
    split.uses(part, link=Link.OUTPUT, transfer=False, register=False)
    count = File("count.txt.%s" % c)
    wc = Job("wc")
    wc.addProfile( Profile("pegasus","label","p1"))
    wc.addArguments("-l",part)
    wc.setStdout(count)
    wc.uses(part, link=Link.INPUT)
    wc.uses(count, link=Link.OUTPUT, transfer=True, register=True)
    dax.addJob(wc)

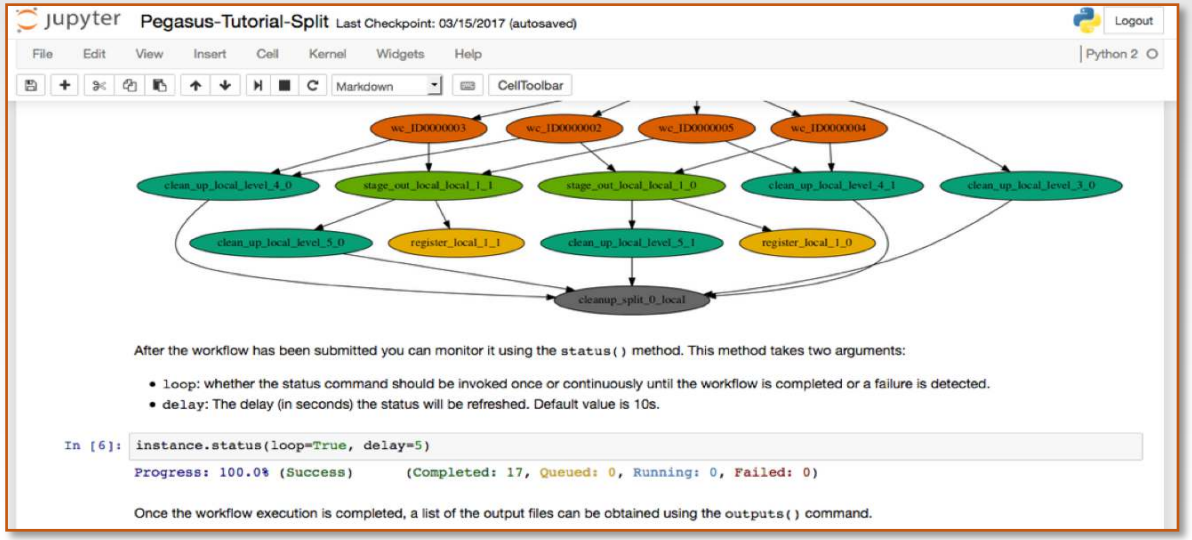
    #adding dependency
    dax.depends(wc, split)

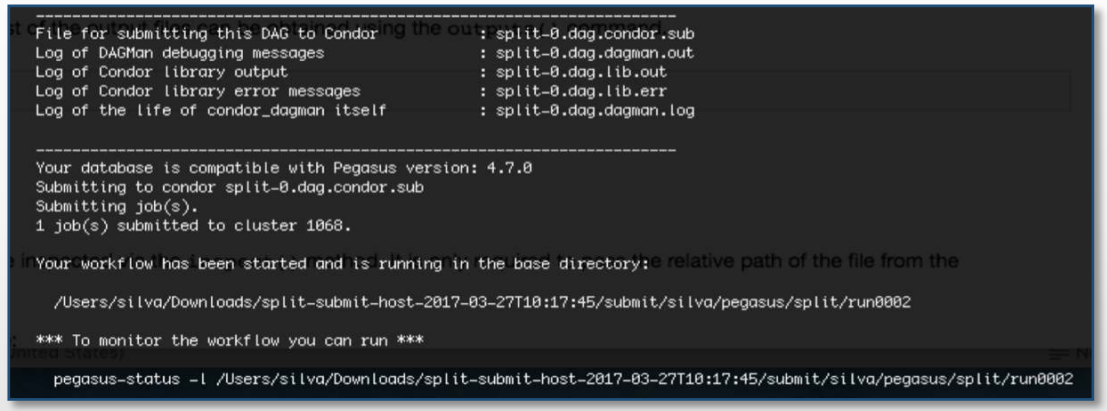
f = open("split.dax", "w")
dax.writeXML(f)
f.close()
```

https://pegasus.isi.edu/documentation/tutorial_submitting_wf.php

Running Pegasus workflows with Jupyter







Pegasus-Jupyter Python API

```
from Pegasus.jupyter.instance import *
```

importing the API

```
instance = Instance(dax)
```

creating an instance of the DAX

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dax.addJob(split)
```

using the Pegasus DAX3 API to write a workflow

```
instance.run(site='condorpool')
```

running a workflow

```
instance.status(loop=True, delay=5)
```

monitoring a workflow execution

```
Progress: 100.0% (Success)      (Completed: 17, Queued: 0, Running: 0, Failed: 0)
```

Pegasus Container Support

Support for

- Docker
- Singularity – Widely supported on OSG

Users can refer to containers in the Transformation Catalog with their executable preinstalled.

Users can refer to a container they want to use. However, they let Pegasus stage their executable to the node.

- Useful if you want to use a site recommended/standard container image.
- Users are using generic image with executable staging.

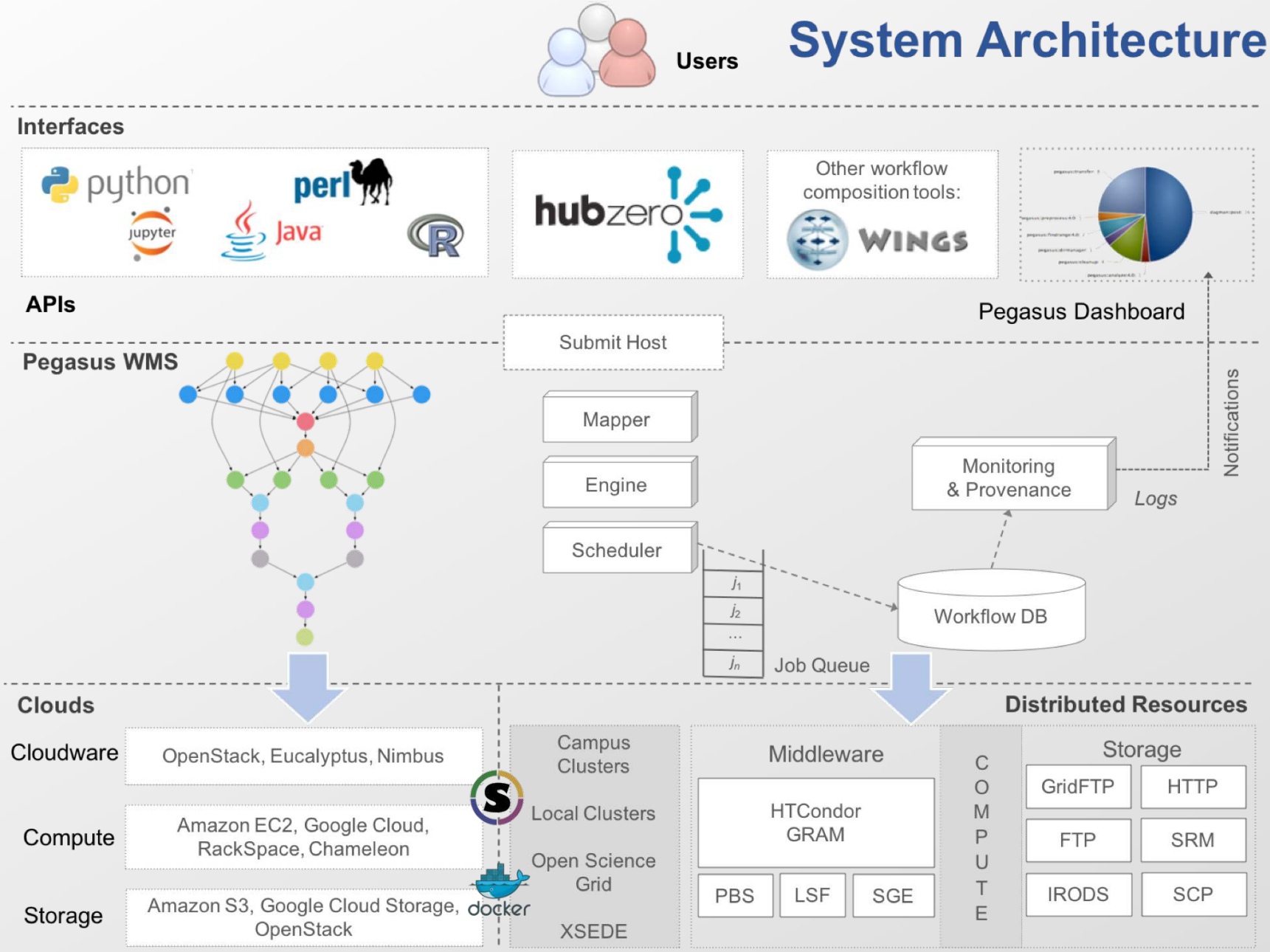
Future Plans

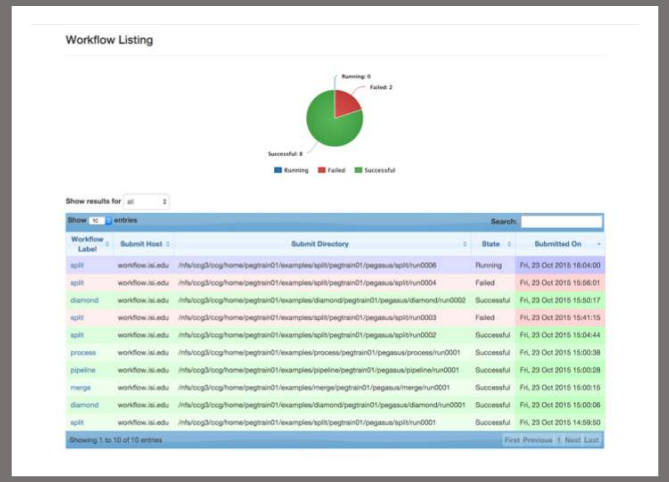
- Users can specify an image buildfile for their jobs.
- *Pegasus will build the Docker image as separate jobs in the executable workflow, export them at tar file and ship them around* (planned for 4.8.X)

Data Management for Containers

- Users can refer to container images as
  - Docker or Singularity Hub URL's
  - Docker Image exported as a TAR file and available at a server , just like any other input dataset.
- We want to avoid hitting Docker/Singularity Hub repeatedly for large workflows
  - Extend pegasus-transfer to pull image from Docker Hub and then export it as tar file, that can be shipped around in the workflow.
- Ensure pegasus worker package gets installed at runtime inside the user container.

System Architecture





Pegasus dashboard

web interface for monitoring and debugging workflows

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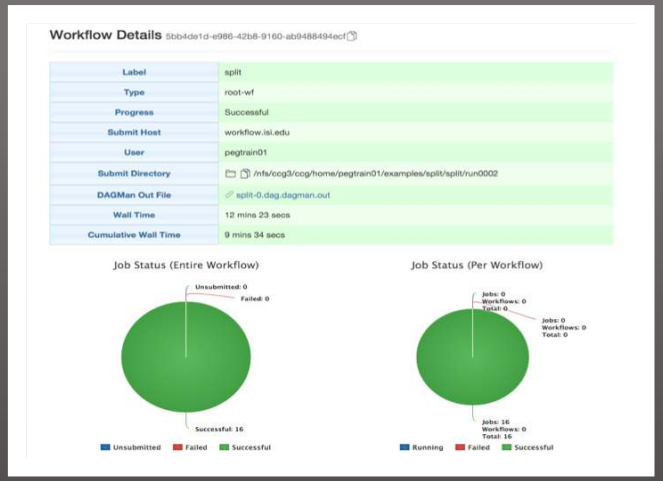

Real-time Monitoring

Reporting

Debugging

Troubleshooting

RESTful API

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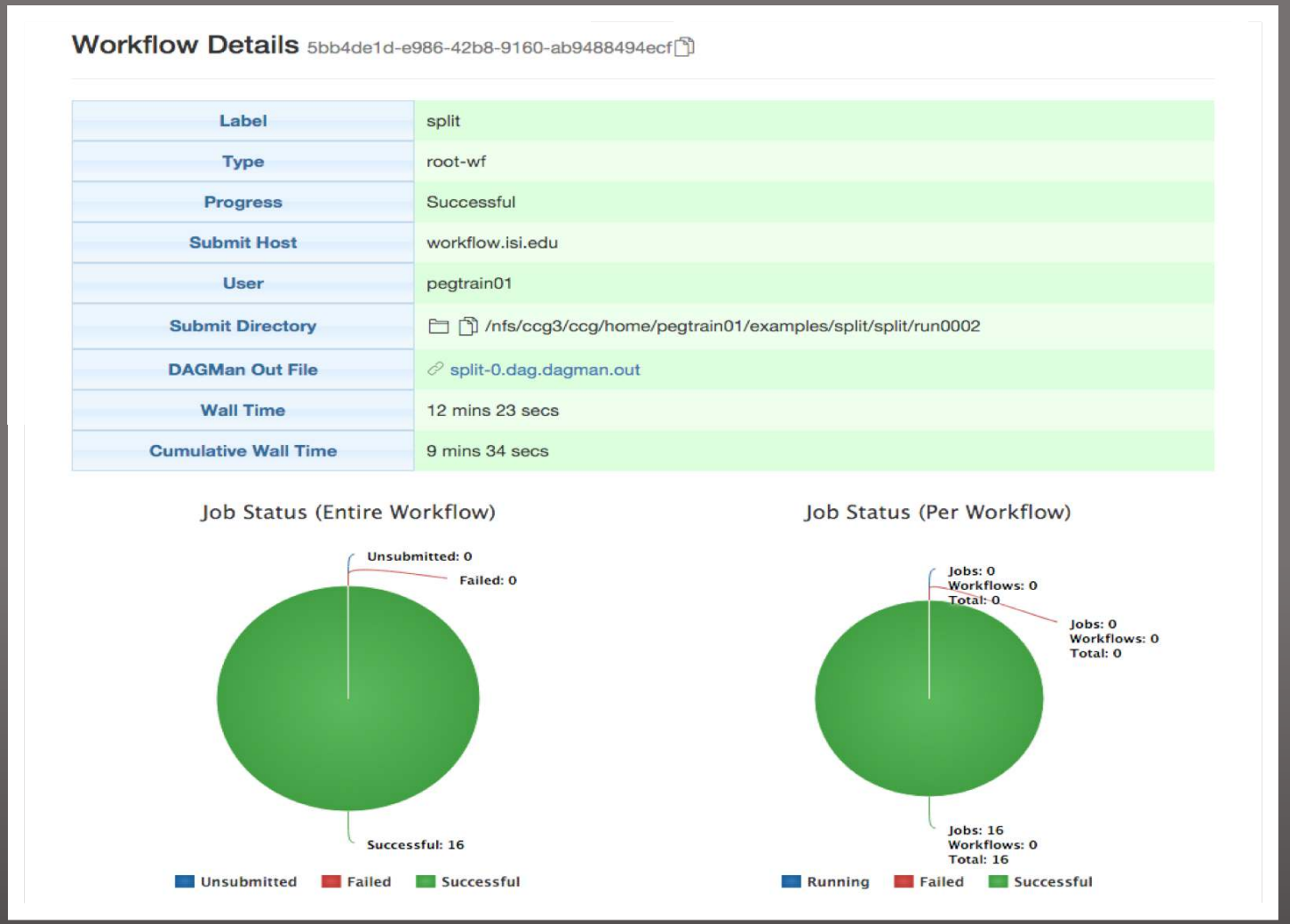


>_ command-line…

```
$ pegasus-status pegasus/examples/split/run0001
STAT IN_STATE JOB
Run 00:39 split-0 (/home/pegasus/examples/split/run0001)
Idle 00:03  └─split_ID0000001
Summary: 2 Condor jobs total (I:1 R:1)

UNRDY READY PRE IN_Q POST DONE FAIL %DONE STATE   DAGNAME
 14     0    0    1    0   2    0    11.8 Running *split-0.dag
```

```
$ pegasus-analyzer pegasus/examples/split/run0001
pegasus-analyzer: initializing...

**************************Summary***************************

Total jobs : 7 (100.00%)
# jobs succeeded : 7 (100.00%)
# jobs failed : 0 (0.00%)
# jobs unsubmitted : 0 (0.00%)
```

```
$ pegasus-statistics -s all pegasus/examples/split/run0001
------------------------------------------------------------------------------
Type           Succeeded Failed Incomplete Total Retries Total+Retries
Tasks              5       0        0        5     0         5
Jobs              17       0        0       17     0        17
Sub-Workflows      0       0        0        0     0         0
------------------------------------------------------------------------------

Workflow wall time : 2 mins, 6 secs
Workflow cumulative job wall time : 38 secs
Cumulative job wall time as seen from submit side : 42 secs
Workflow cumulative job badput wall time :
Cumulative job badput wall time as seen from submit side :
```

Provenance data can be summarized
pegasus-statistics

or used for debugging
pegasus-analyzer

Pegasus est. 2001

Automate, recover, and debug scientific computations.

Get Started

Pegasus Website

http://pegasus.isi.edu

Users Mailing List

pegasus-users@isi.edu

Support

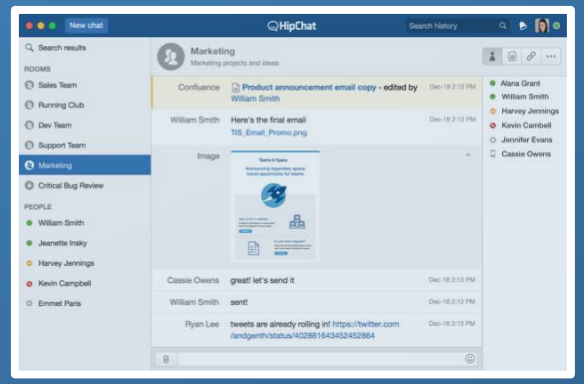
pegasus-support@isi.edu

Pegasus Online Office Hours

https://pegasus.isi.edu/blog/online-pegasus-office-hours/

Bi-monthly basis on second Friday of the month, where we address user questions and also apprise the community of new developments

HipChat

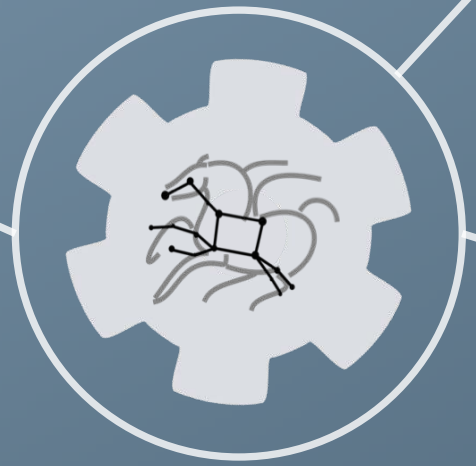


Understanding Pegasus features…

So, what information does Pegasus need?

Transformation Catalog
describes all of the executables (called “transformations”) used by the workflow

Site Catalog
describes the sites where the workflow jobs are to be executed



Replica Catalog
describes all of the input data stored on external servers

How does Pegasus decide where to execute?

site catalog

transformation catalog

replica catalog

site description

describes the compute resources

scratch

tells where temporary data is stored

storage

tells where output data is stored

profiles

key-pair values associated per job level

```
<!-- The local site contains information about the submit host -->
<!-- The arch and os keywords are used to match binaries in the -->
<!-- transformation catalog -->
<site handle="local" arch="x86_64" os="LINUX">

  <!-- These are the paths on the submit host were Pegasus stores data -->
  <!-- Scratch is where temporary files go -->
  <directory type="shared-scratch" path="/home/tutorial/run">
    <file-server operation="all" url="file:///home/tutorial/run"/>
  </directory>

  <!-- Storage is where pegasus stores output files -->
  <directory type="local-storage" path="/home/tutorial/outputs">
    <file-server operation="all" url="file:///home/tutorial/outputs"/>
  </directory>

  <!-- This profile tells Pegasus where to find the user's private key -->
  <!-- for SCP transfers -->
  <profile namespace="env" key="SSH_PRIVATE_KEY">
     /home/tutorial/.ssh/id_rsa
  </profile>

</site>
```

How does it know where the executables are or which ones to use?

site catalog

transformation catalog

replica catalog

executables description

list of executables locations per site

physical executables

mapped from logical transformations

transformation type

whether it is installed or available to stage

```
...
# This is the transformation catalog. It lists information about
# each of the executables that are used by the workflow.

tr ls {
  site PegasusVM {
    pfn "/bin/ls"
    arch "x86_64"
    os "linux"
    type "INSTALLED"
  }
}
...
```

What if data is not local to the submit host?

site catalog

transformation catalog

replica catalog

```
# This is the replica catalog. It lists information about each of the
# input files used by the workflow. You can use this to specify locations to
input files present on external servers.

# The format is:
# LFN PFN site="SITE"

f.a   file:///home/tutorial/examples/diamond/input/f.a   site="local"
```

logical filename

abstract data name

physical filename

data physical location on site
different transfer protocols
can be used (e.g., scp, http,
ftp, gridFTP, etc.)

site name

in which site the file is available

Replica catalog
multiple sources

pegasus.conf

```
# Add Replica selection options so that it will try URLs first, then
# XrootD for OSG, then gridftp, then anything else
pegasus.selector.replica=Regex
pegasus.selector.replica.regex.rank.1=file:///cvmfs/.*
pegasus.selector.replica.regex.rank.2=file://.*
pegasus.selector.replica.regex.rank.3=root://.*
pegasus.selector.replica.regex.rank.4=gridftp://.*
pegasus.selector.replica.regex.rank.5=.\*
```

rc.data

```
# This is the replica catalog. It lists information about each of the
# input files used by the workflow. You can use this to specify locations
# to input files present on external servers.

# The format is:
# LFN PFN site="SITE"

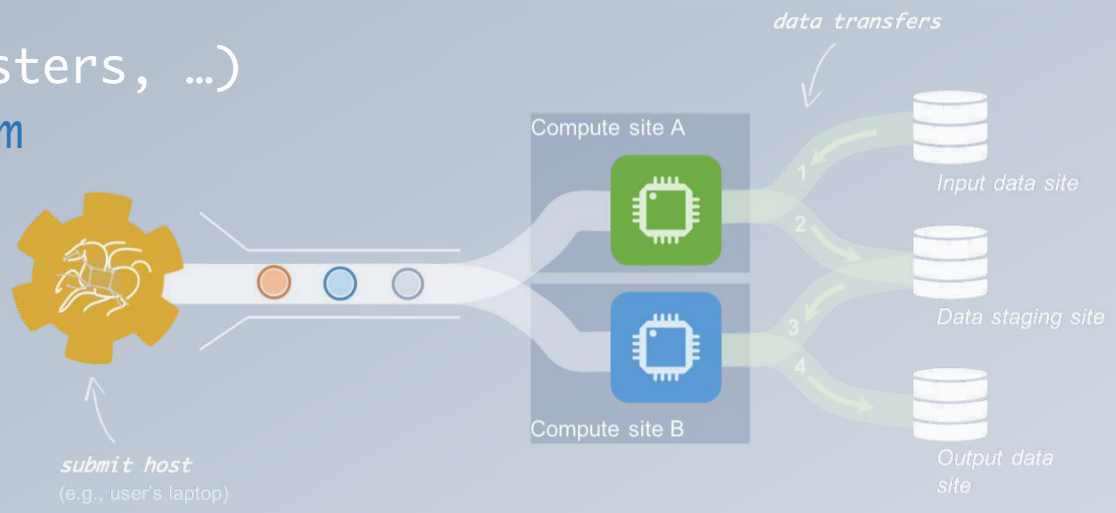
f.a   file:///cvmfs/oasis.opensciencegrid.org/diamond/input/f.a   site="cvmfs"
f.a   file:///local-storage/diamond/input/f.a   site="prestaged"
f.a   gridftp://storage.mysite/edu/examples/diamond/input/f.a   site="storage"
```

Data Staging Configurations

HTCondor I/O (HTCondor pools, OSG, …)
- Worker nodes do not share a file system
- Data is pulled from / pushed to the submit host via HTCondor file transfers
- Staging site is the submit host

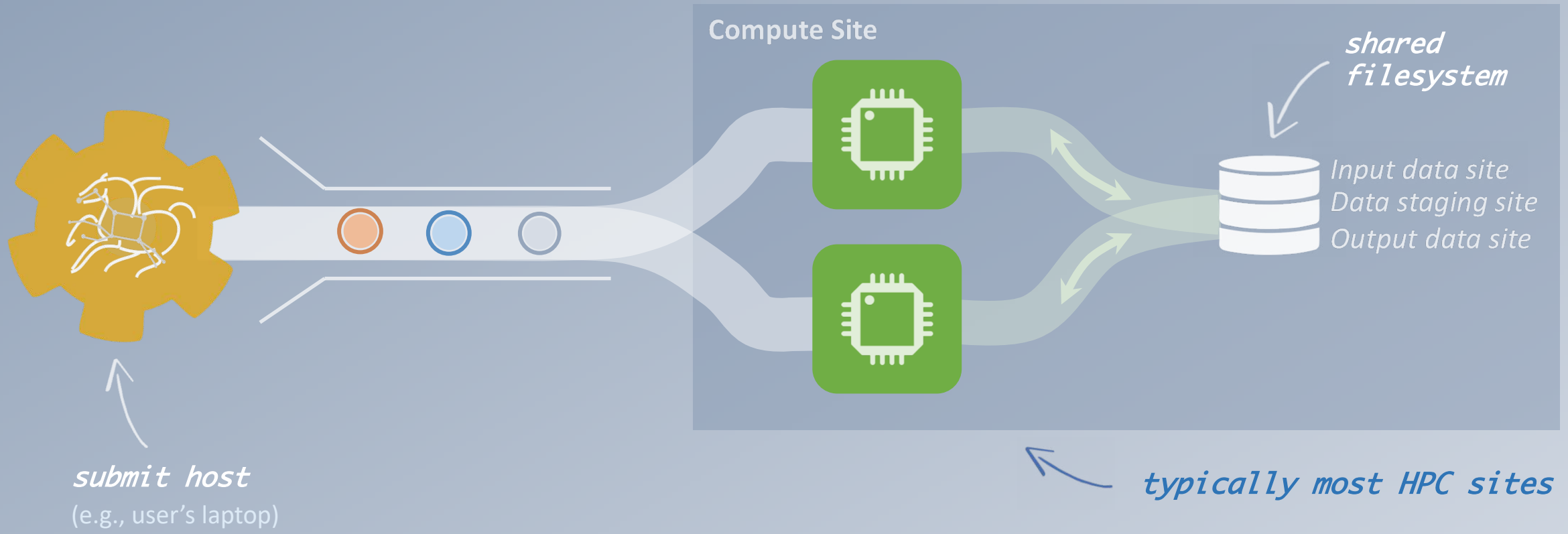
Non-shared File System (clouds, OSG, …)
- Worker nodes do not share a file system
- Data is pulled / pushed from a staging site, possibly not co-located with the computation

Shared File System (HPC sites, XSEDE, Campus clusters, …)
- I/O is directly against the shared file system

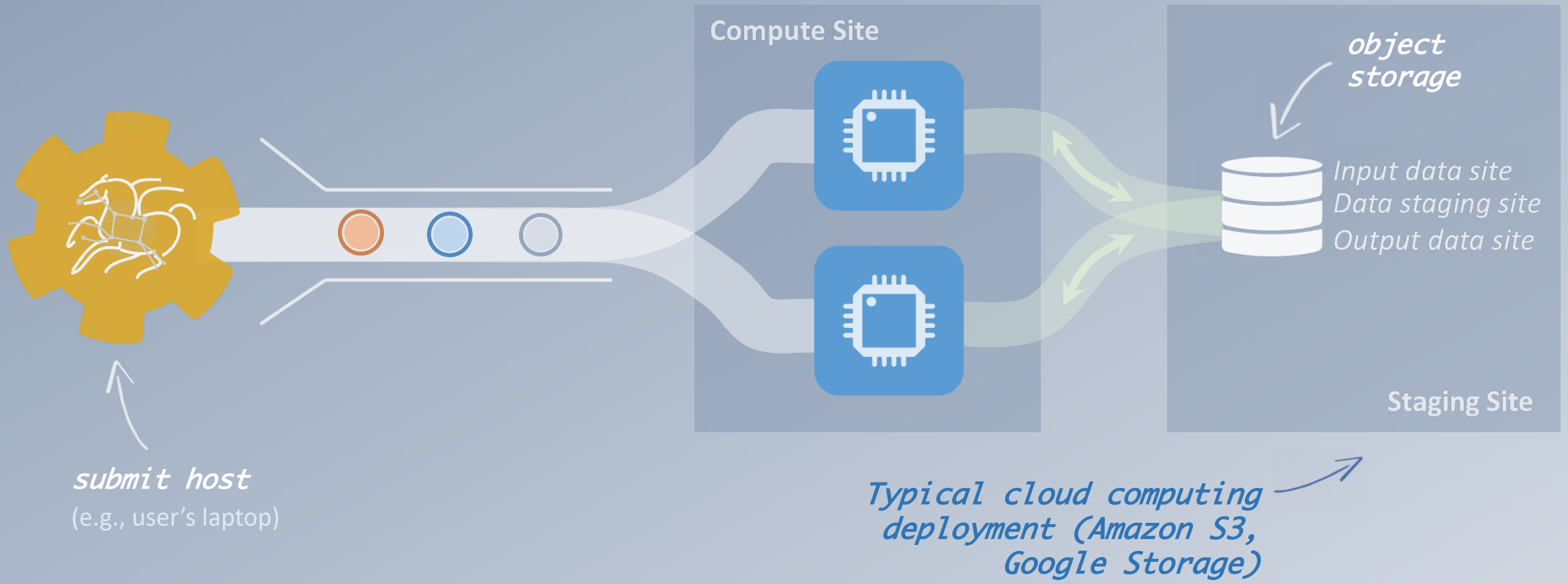


High Performance Computing

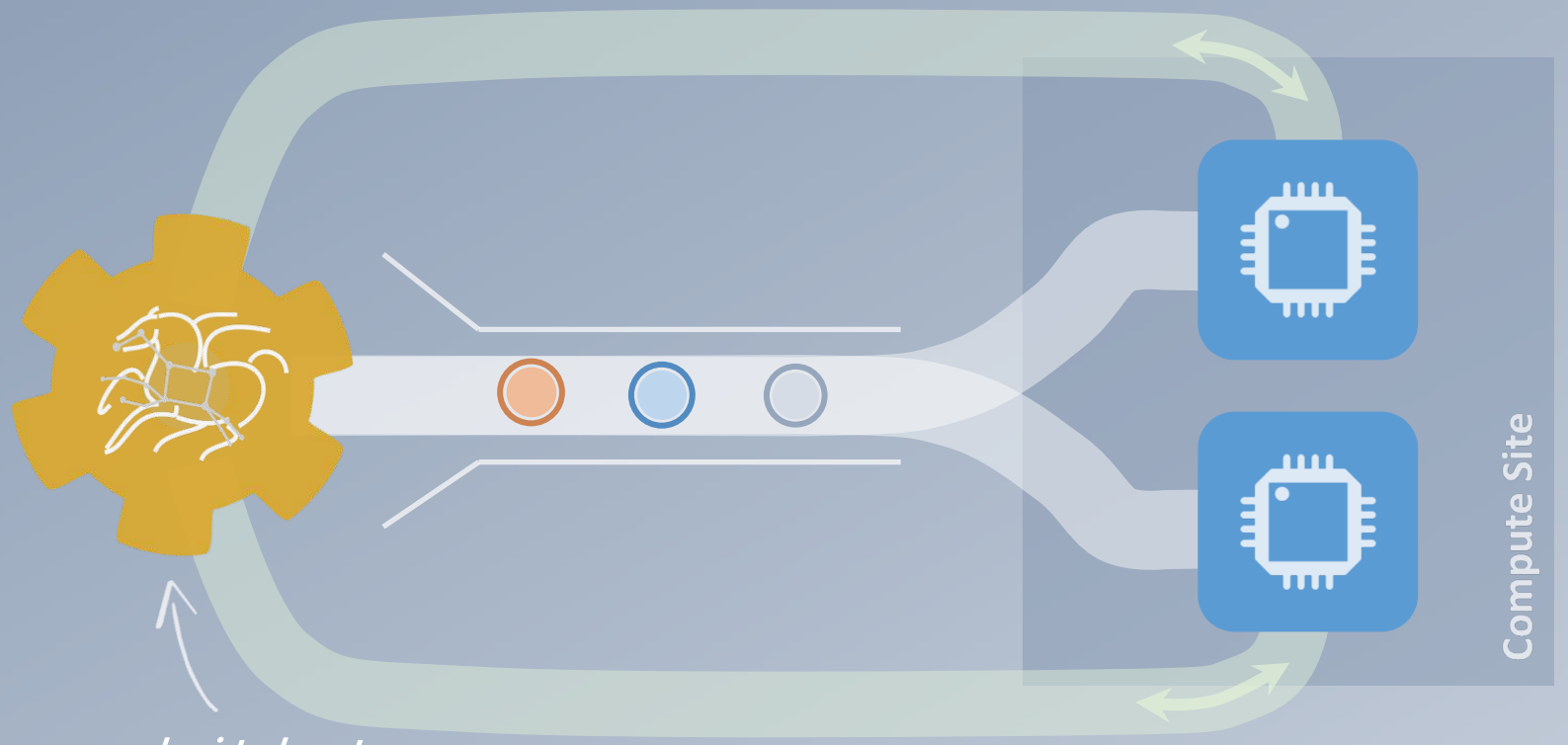
There are several possible configurations…



high-scalable object storages



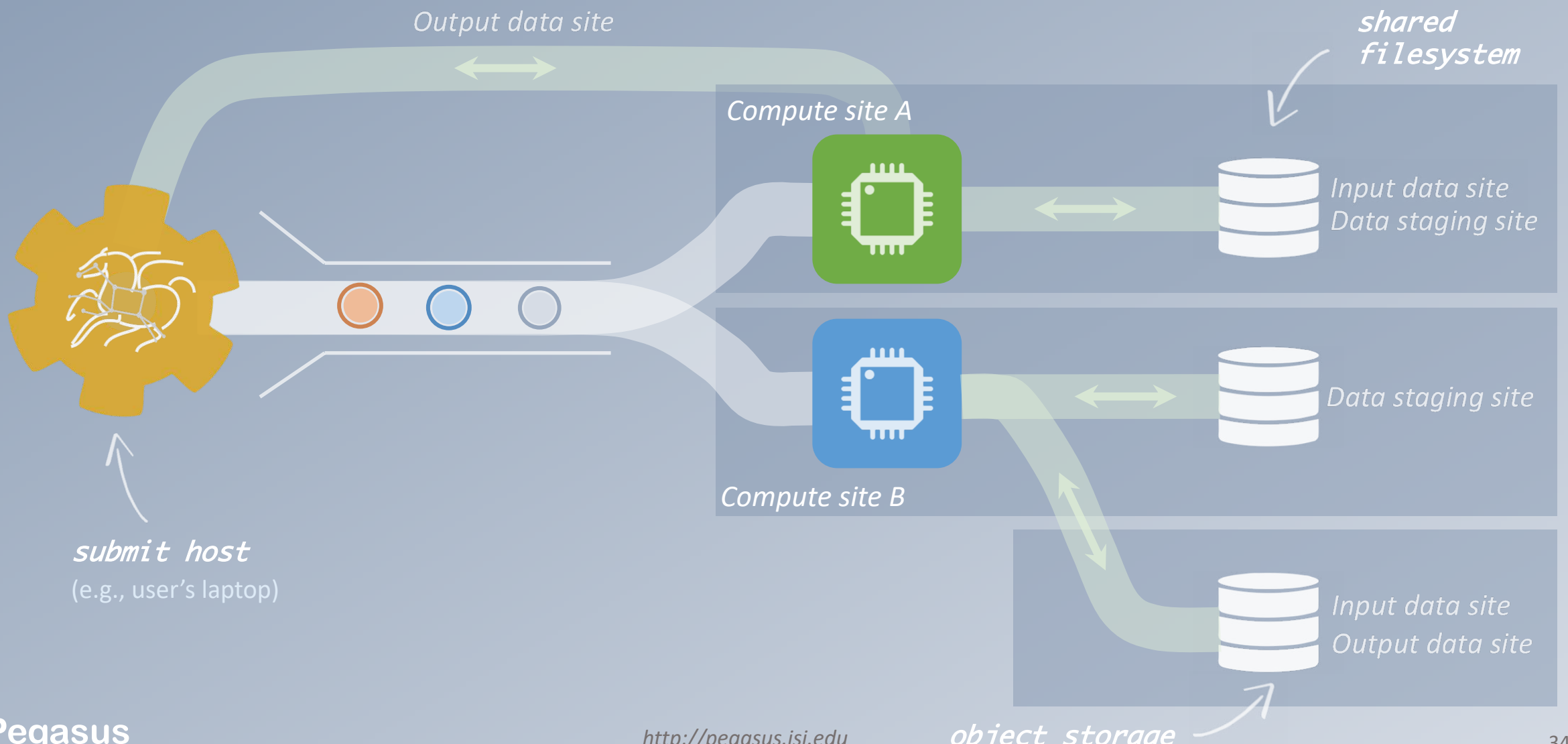
local data management



submit host
(e.g., user's laptop)

Typical OSG sites
Open Science Grid

And yes… you can mix everything!



Running workflows on AWS

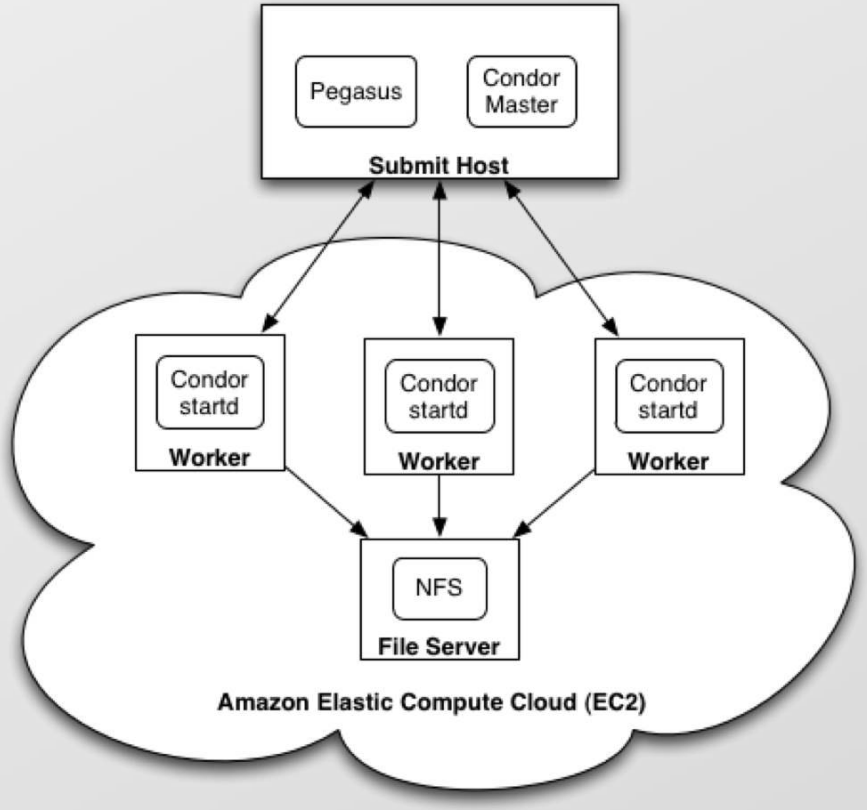
There are many different ways to set up an execution environment in Amazon EC2

The simplest way is to use a submit machine outside the cloud, and to provision several worker nodes and a file server node in the cloud

1. Launch the VM (HTCondor Worker) – requires configuration
2. The VM will appear as a new compute resource
3. Spawn job to the cloud VM
4. VMs shutdown itself in the absence of work

Guidelines for Tutorial VM:

https://pegasus.isi.edu/documentation/vm_amazon.php



pegasus-transfer

Pegasus' internal data transfer tool with support for a number of different protocols

Directory creation, file removal

If protocol supports, used for cleanup

Two stage transfers

e.g., GridFTP to S3 = GridFTP to local file, local file to S3

Parallel transfers

Automatic retries

Credential management

Uses the appropriate credential for each site and each protocol (even 3rd party transfers)

- HTTP
- SCP
- GridFTP
- Globus Online
- iRods
- Amazon S3
- Google Storage
- SRM
- FDT
- stashcp
- cp
- ln -s

And if a job fails?

Job Failure Detection

detects non-zero exit code
output parsing for success or failure message
exceeded timeout
do not produced expected output files

Job Retry

helps with transient failures
set number of retries per job and run

Checkpoint Files

job generates checkpoint files
staging of checkpoint files is
automatic on restarts

Rescue DAGs

workflow can be restarted from checkpoint file
recover from failures with minimal loss

A few more features…

Metadata

Can associate arbitrary key-value pairs with workflows, jobs, and files

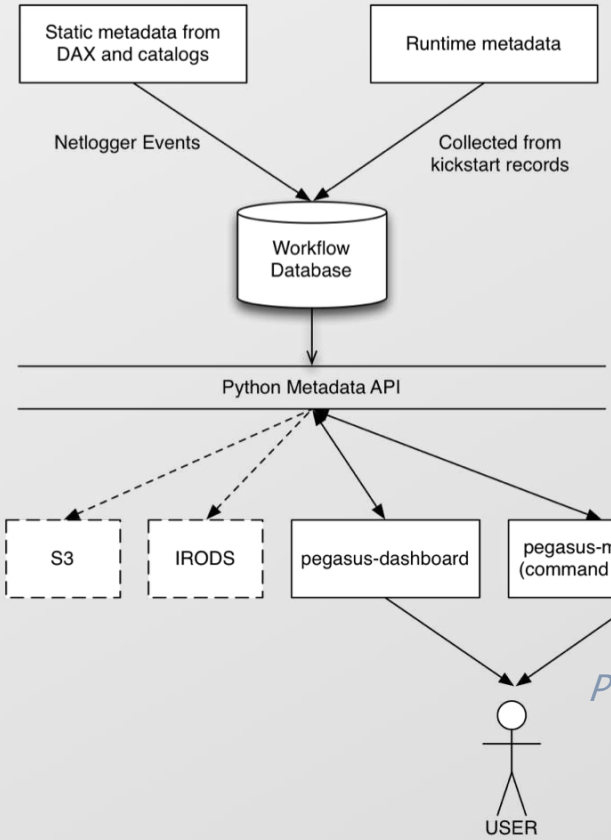
Data registration

Output files get tagged with metadata on registration in the workflow database

Static and runtime metadata

Static: application parameters

Runtime: performance metrics



since Pegasus 4.6

```
1  <adag ...>
2      <metadata key="experiment">par_all27_prot_lipid</metadata>
3      <job id="ID0000001" name="namd">
4          <argument><file name="equilibrate.conf"/></argument>
5          <metadata key="timesteps">500000</metadata>
6          <metadata key="temperature">200</metadata>
7          <metadata key="pressure">1.01325</metadata>
8          <uses name="Q42.psf" link="input">
9              <metadata key="type">psf</metadata>
10             <metadata key="charge">42</metadata>
11         </uses>
12         ...
13         <uses name="eq.restart.coord" link="output" transfer="false">
14             <metadata key="type">coordinates</metadata>
15         </uses>
16         ...
17     </job>
18 </adag>
```

workflow, job, file

select data based on metadata

register data with metadata

Performance, why not improve it?

workflow restructuring

workflow reduction

hierarchical workflows

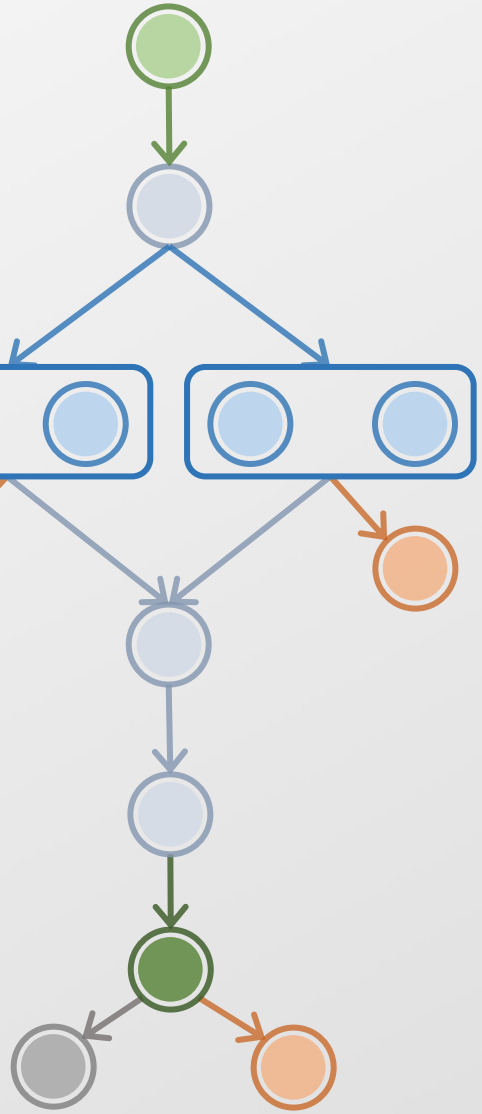
pegasus-mpi-cluster

clustered job

Groups small jobs together to improve performance

task

small granularity



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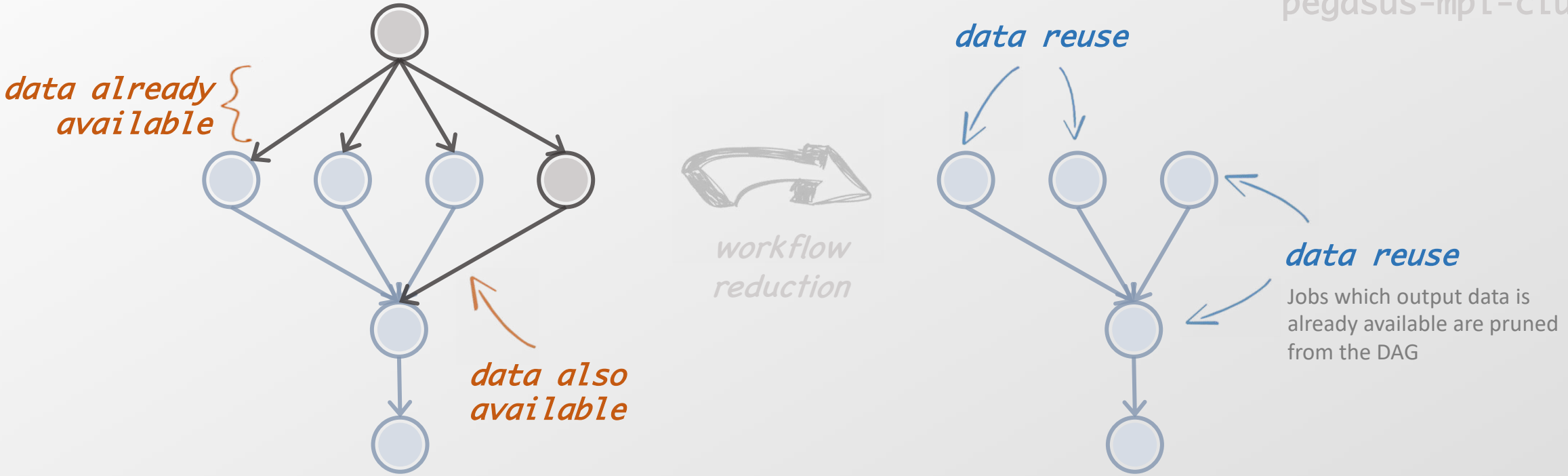
What about data reuse?

workflow restructuring

workflow reduction

hierarchical workflows

pegasus-mpi-cluster



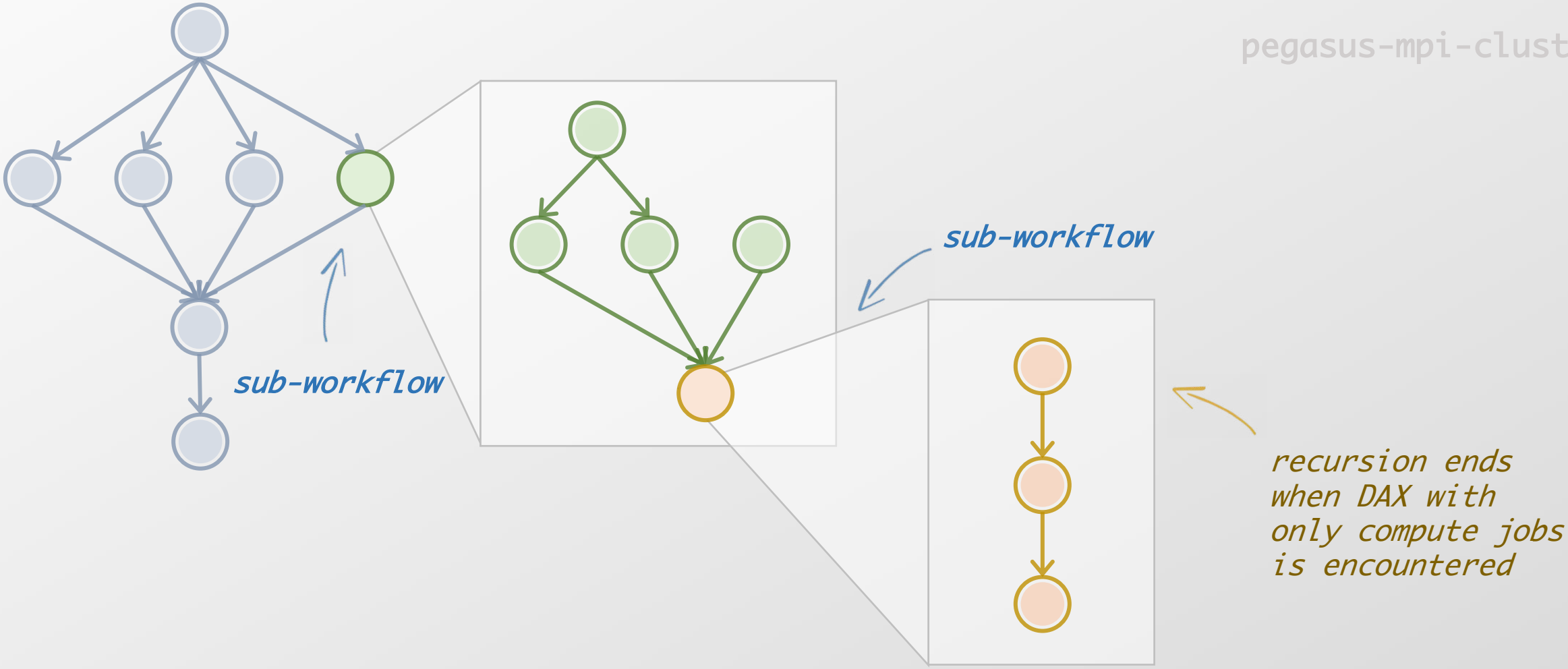
Pegasus also handles **large-scale workflows**

workflow restructuring

workflow reduction

hierarchical workflows

pegasus-mpi-cluster



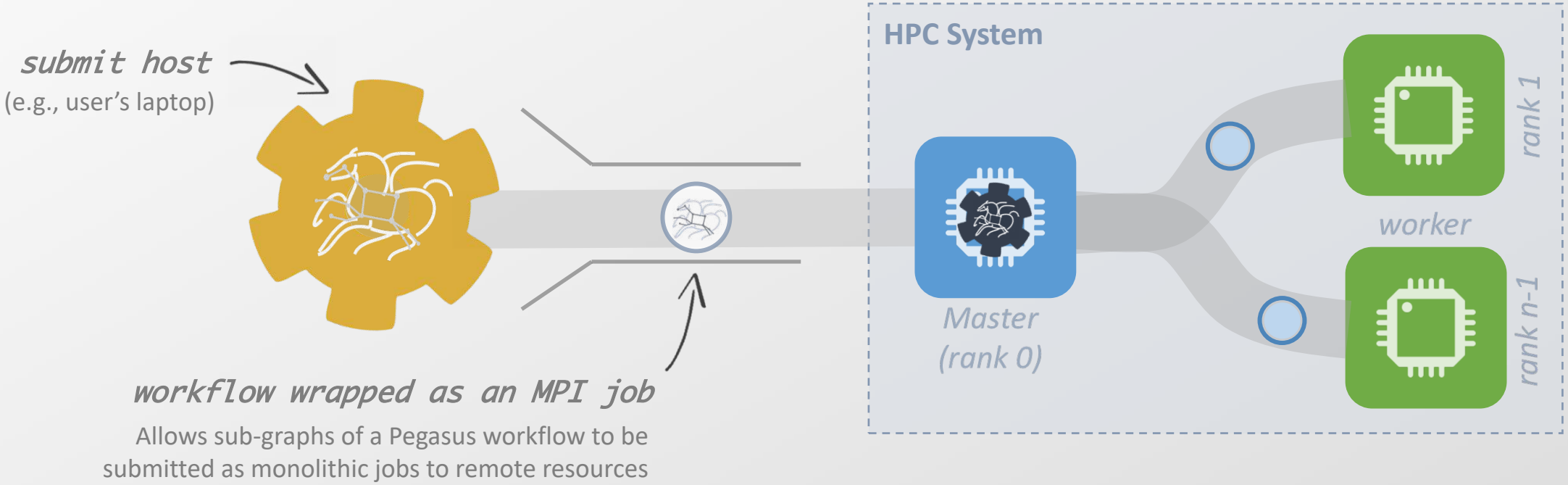
Running fine-grained workflows on HPC systems…

workflow restructuring

workflow reduction

hierarchical workflows

pegasus-mpi-cluster



workflow wrapped as an MPI job

Allows sub-graphs of a Pegasus workflow to be submitted as monolithic jobs to remote resources

Pegasus est. 2001

Automate, recover, and debug scientific computations.

Get Started

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