

NERSC request for OSG membership



OSG General Council meeting
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ASCR has 3 computational user facilities

- **National Energy Research Scientific Computing Center (NERSC):**
Mission computing facility for DOE Office of Science
 - All DOE SC-funded scientists can request time on our systems
 - Time allocated by DOE program managers



- **OLCF and ALCF:**
 - Highly competitive open user allocation programs (INCITE, ALCC).
 - Tens of projects accepted, each receives huge amounts of time on highly specialised cutting-edge hardware
 - time allocated by LCF center and review committees

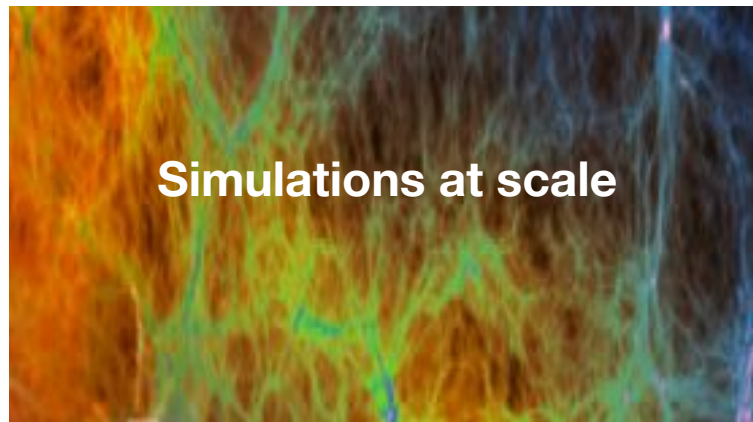
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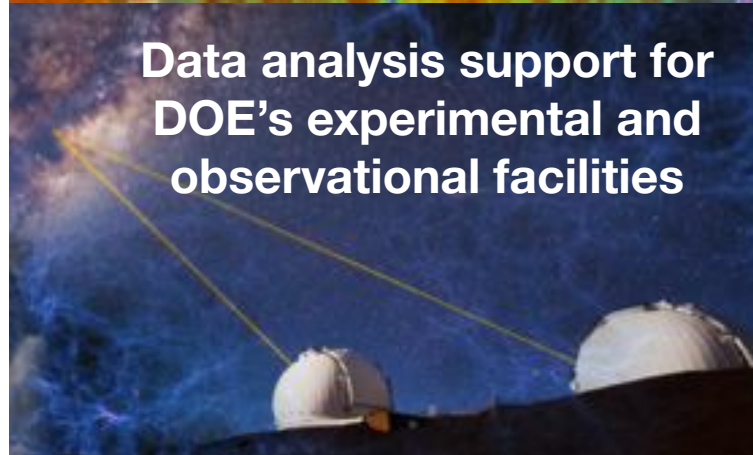
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Simulations at scale



**Data analysis support for
DOE's experimental and
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Our users include many of the same groups that constitute OSG: individual researchers, multi-institutional science teams, and 3 of the 4 “big science” projects (US-ATLAS, US-CMS and IceCube)

We want to join the OSG Council because we want to be involved in the strategic decisions that will impact a significant proportion of our user base

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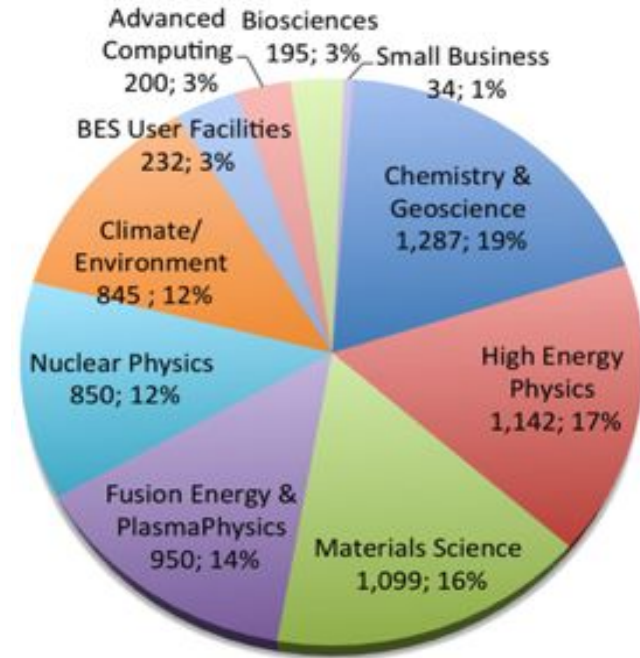
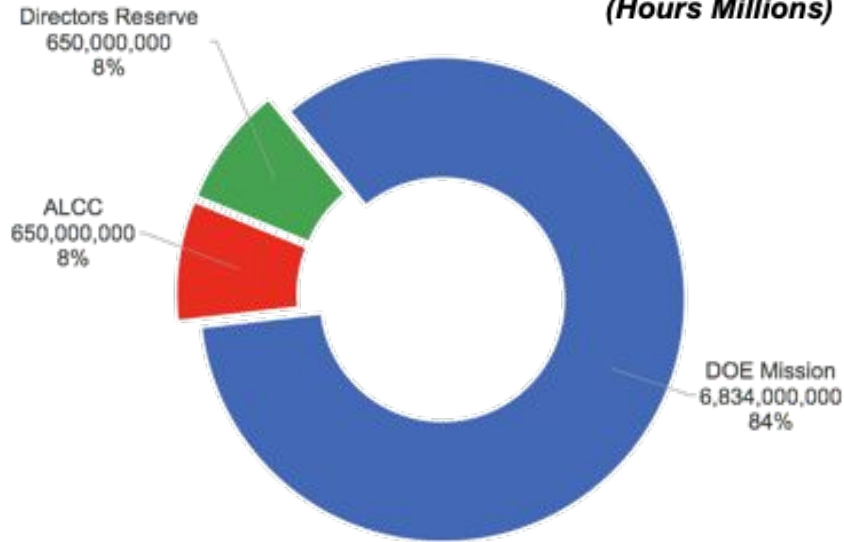
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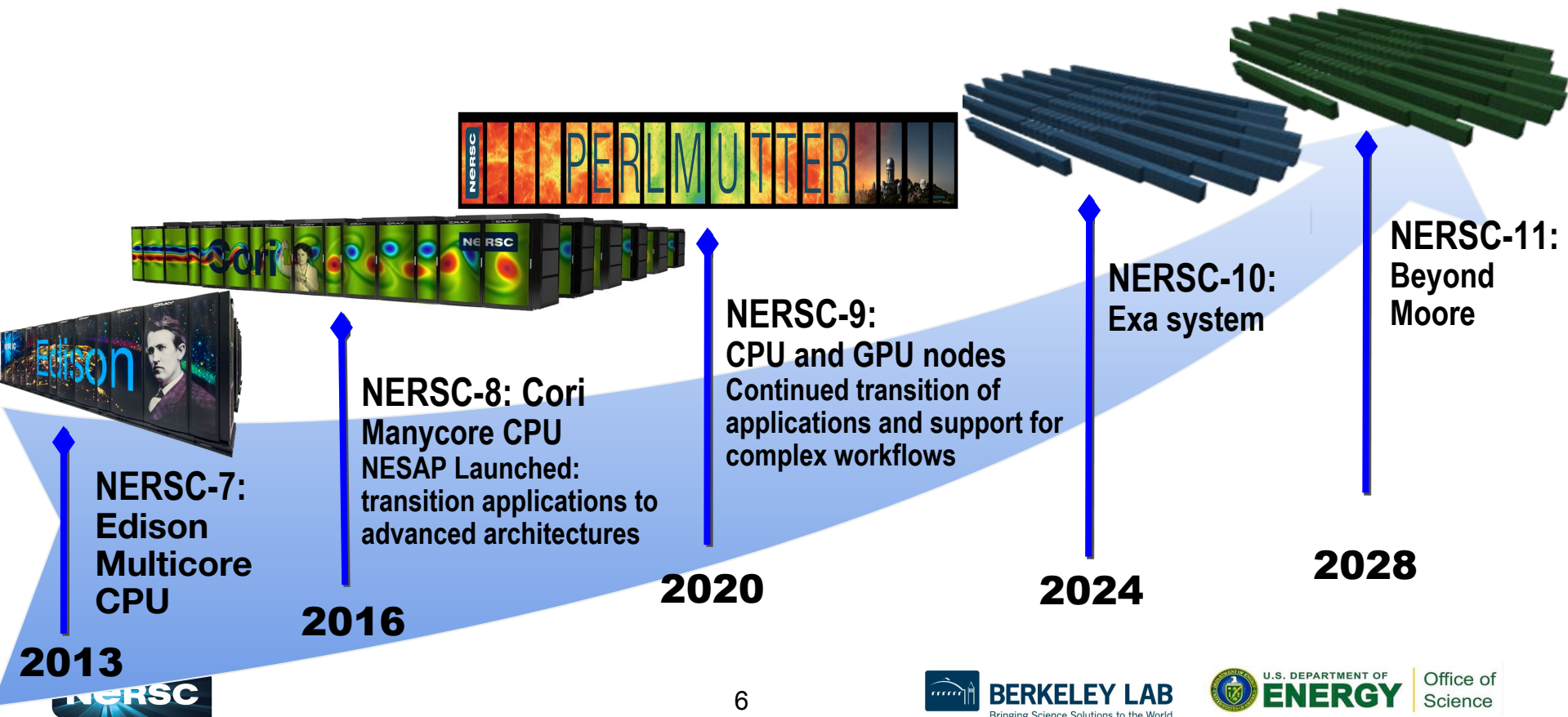
An astronomical image showing a galaxy cluster with bright yellow and orange light. Two green lines, representing radio telescope beams, cross the image. In the foreground, the white domes of radio telescopes are visible against a dark sky.

NERSC Directly Supports Office of Science Priorities

**2019 Allocation Breakdown
(Hours Millions)**

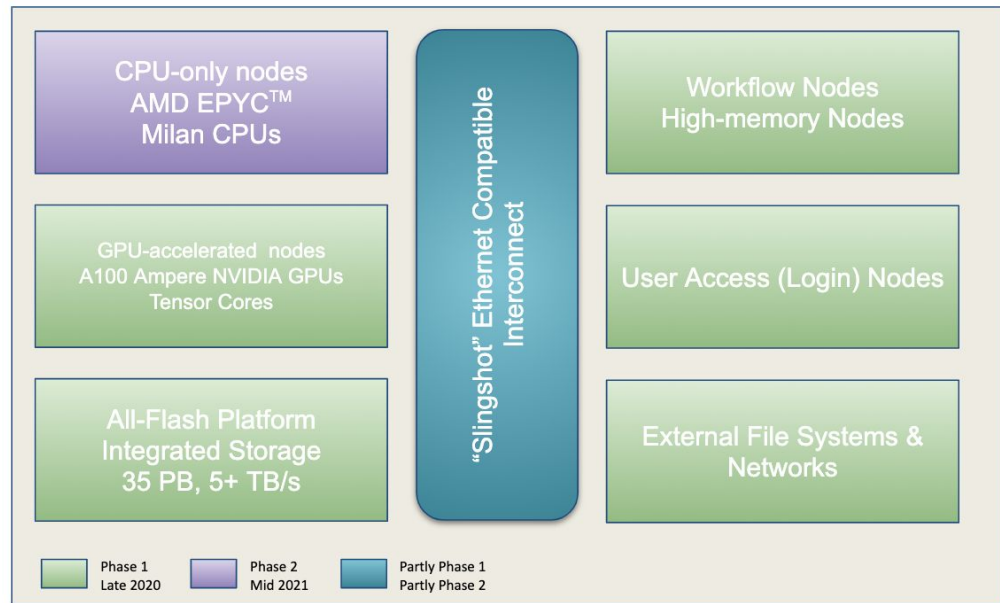


NERSC Systems Roadmap

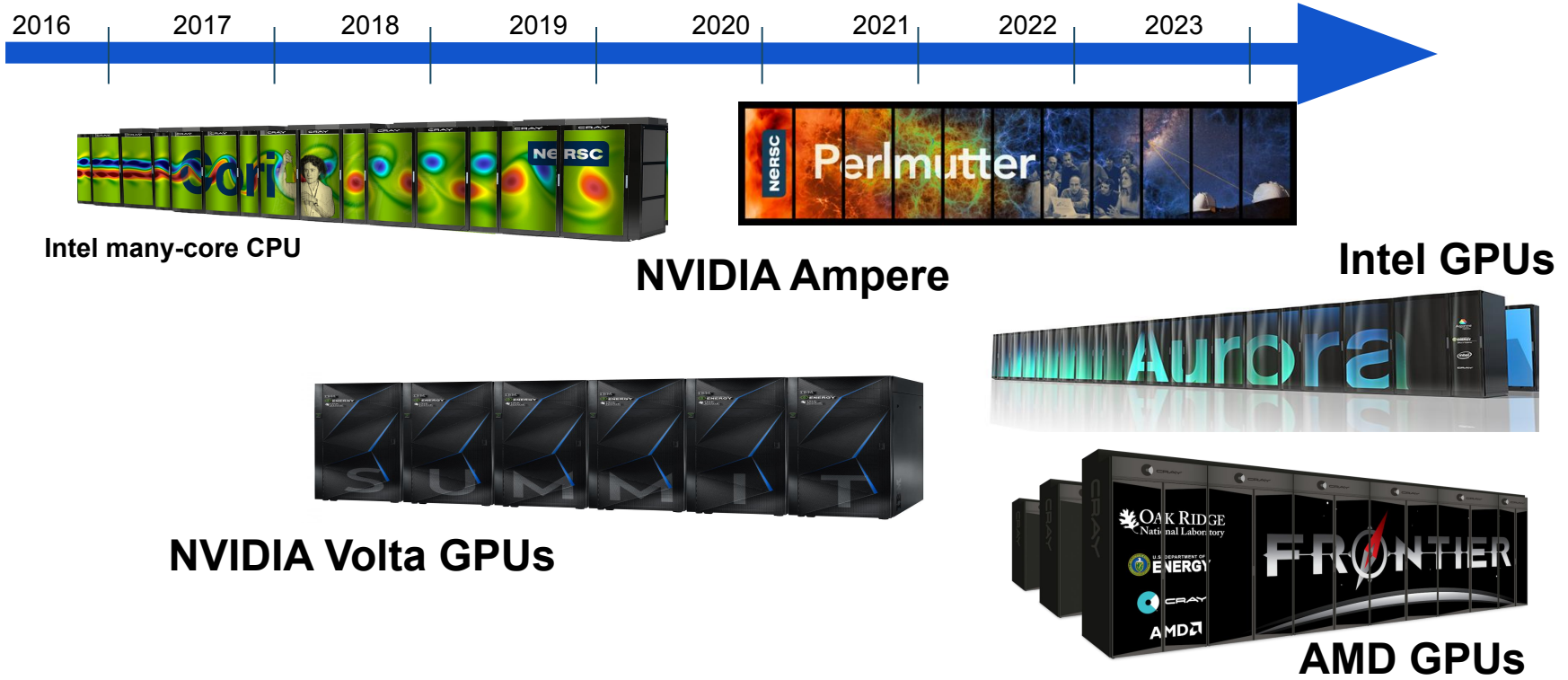


Perlmutter: a System Optimized for Science

- AMD/NVIDIA **A100-accelerated** and **CPU-only nodes** meet the needs of large scale simulation and data analysis from experimental facilities
- Cray “**Slingshot**” - High-performance, scalable, low-latency Ethernet-compatible network
 - seamless connection between inside/outside the machine
- Single-tier **All-Flash Lustre** HPC file system, 6x Cori’s bandwidth
- Dedicated login and high memory nodes to support complex workflows



DOE HPC Roadmap - GPUs



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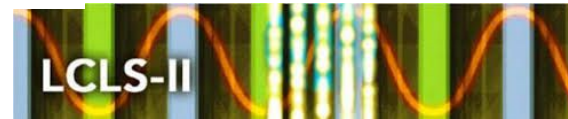


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operating now

Future
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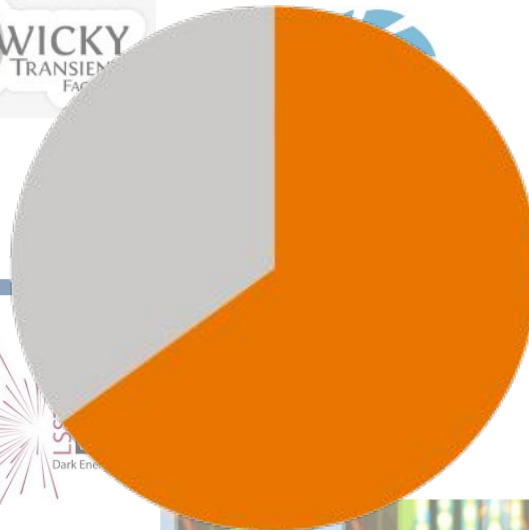
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~35% of NERSC
projects in 2018 said
the primary role of the
project is to work with
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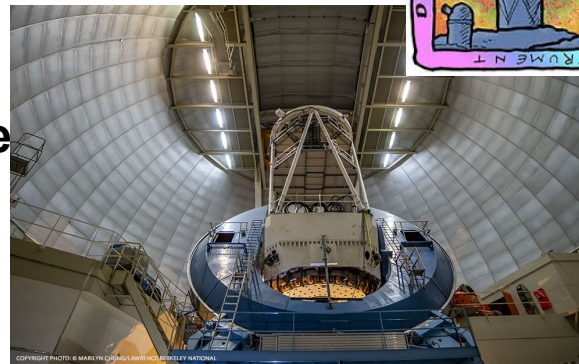
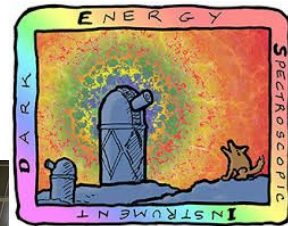


DESI: Dark Energy Spectroscopic Instrument

Explaining the Physics of Dark Energy with 3D map of the Universe over 10 billion years

How DESI uses NERSC:

- Analyse Kitt Peak telescope data in **quasi-realtime** to select targets each night
- Co-locate survey/sim data; HPC-scale re-processing of data
- Large collaboration monitors survey progress and **share results**.
- Part of **NESAP** program for GPU readiness



LSST-DESC

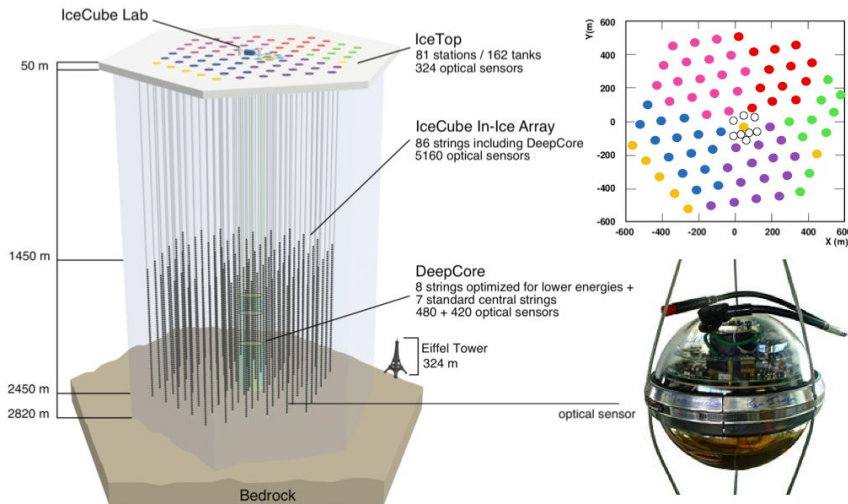


Use data from the Rubin Observatory to explain Dark Energy through multiple probes

How DESC uses NERSC:

- NERSC is primary data facility: multi-PB storage, both active and archive
- Co-locate cosmology, instrument and image simulations with data analysis
- Use **Spin** for supernova alert broker
- Use **Jupyter** for analysis
- ImSim is a **NESAP** project





IceCube Neutrino Observatory has a long history at NERSC

- Allocations at NERSC since 2010
- Use HPSS tape archive for storage
 - IceCube and NERSC have signed an MOU to be the second archive of IceCube's experimental data
- Collaboration between NERSC and IceCube developed GraphNN for astrophysical neutrino/cosmic ray classification
 - ICMLA19 Best Paper [arXiv:1809.06166](https://arxiv.org/abs/1809.06166)

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
TB written during year	3300	700	700	700	700
Total TB end of year	3300	4000	4700	5400	6100

Particle physics

NoVA '1m cores'



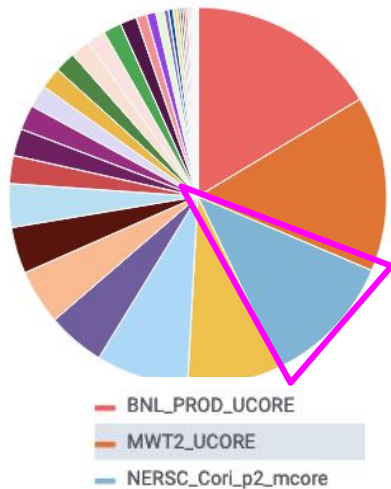
- Used whole of Cori for timely re-processing of data

ATLAS



- Uses Cori for MC production
 - E.g. 2020 so far:

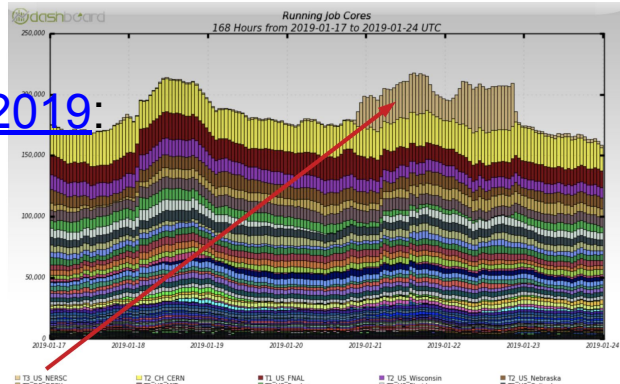
Wall clock time. All jobs (HS06 seconds)



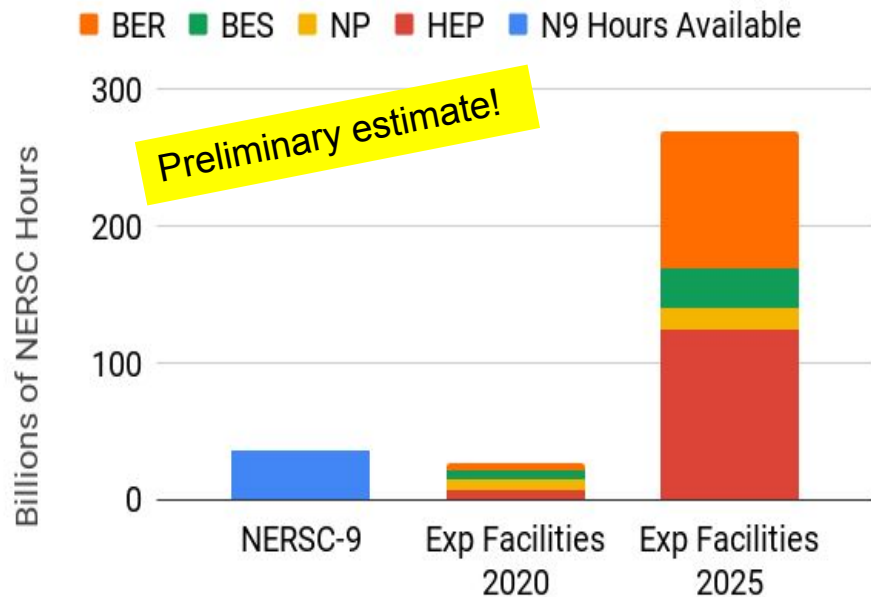
CMS



- Runs a variety of workloads:
 - E.g. Jan 2019:



Needs go beyond compute hours



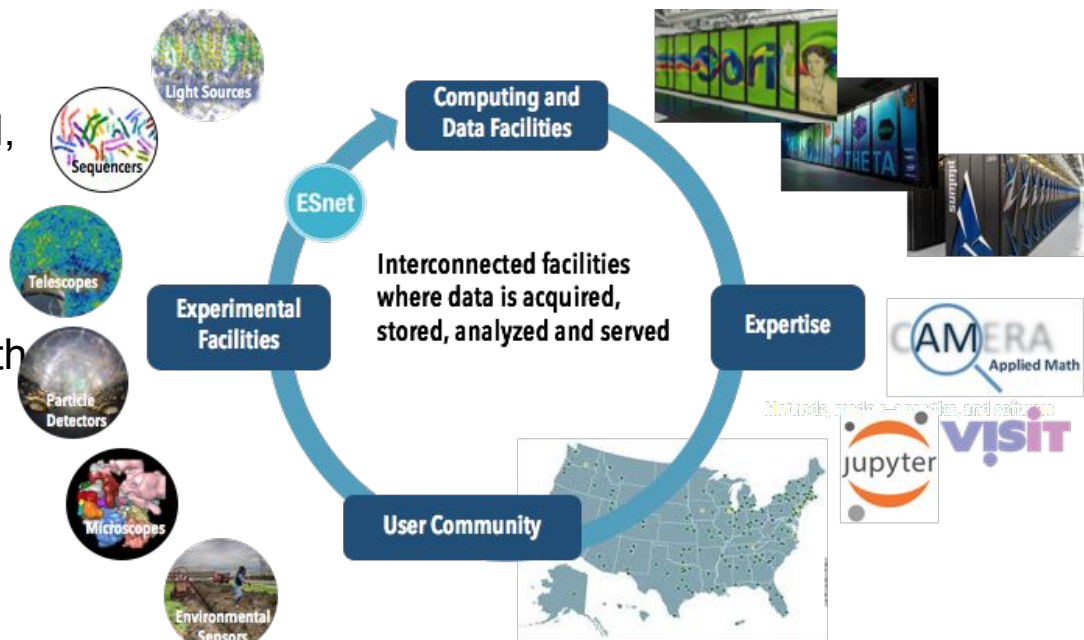
Taken from Exascale Requirements Reviews

- High data volumes (today use ~19% of computing hours, but store 78% of data) that are moved between sites
- Real-time (or near) turnaround and interactive access for running experiments
- Resilient workflows to run across multiple compute sites
- Ecosystem of persistent edge services, including workflow managers, visualization, databases, web services...

Superfacility: an ecosystem of connected facilities, software and expertise to enable new modes of discovery

Superfacility@ LBNL: NERSC, ESnet and CRD working together

- A model to integrate experimental, computational and networking facilities for reproducible science
- Enabling new discoveries by coupling experimental science with large scale data analysis and simulations
- **A lot of these goals and technologies are shared with OSG**

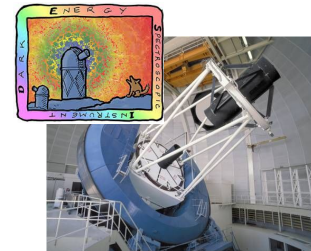
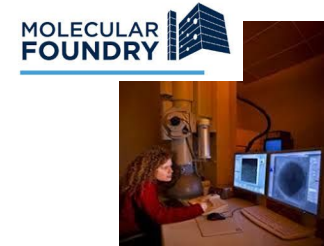
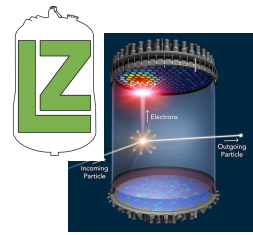
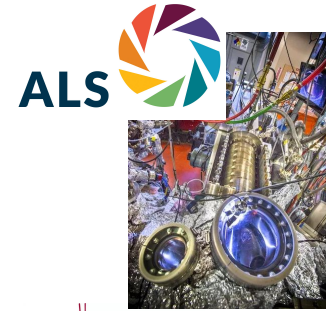


The CS Area Superfacility 'project' coordinates and tracks our work

Project Goal:

By the end of CY 2021, 3 (or more) of our 7 science application engagements will demonstrate automated pipelines that analyze data from remote facilities at large scale, without routine human intervention, using these capabilities:

- Real-time computing support
- Dynamic, high-performance networking
- Data management and movement tools, incl. Globus
- API-driven automation
- Authentication using Federated Identity
- Container-based edge services supported via Spin



OSG software stack

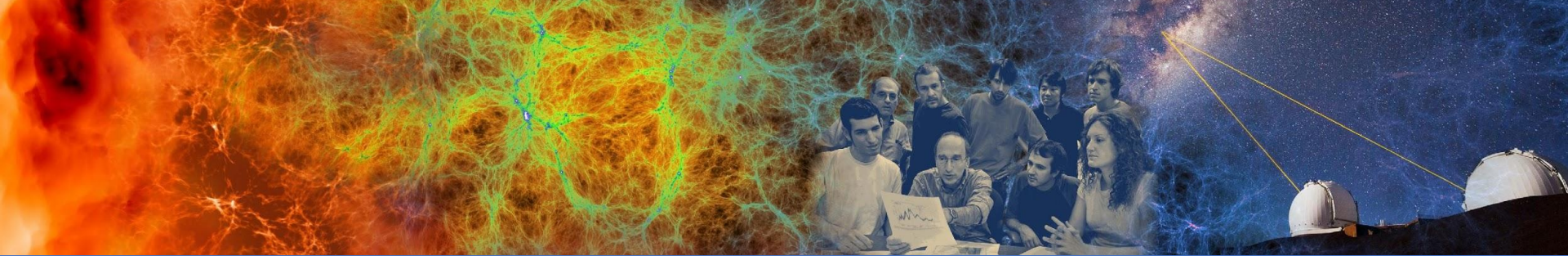
NERSC is in the process of evaluating whether we can support the OSG stack

- This is hard, due to our highly specialised hardware, system software and security requirements
- We cannot commit to running full stack, but we have had success in supporting parts...
 - eg cvmfs, globus, xrootd...

We want to get more closely engaged with OSG to understand where technology choices are heading (eg post-globus), and how we can support them for our users.

Summary

- NERSC is already used by many teams who are part of OSG
 - we have a good understanding of what OSG members need from us
 - we want to be more closely involved in how decisions are made and how strategy is set for OSG members
- We have users from every DOE-funded experimental and user facility
 - we have a wide perspective on what this community is doing computing-wise
 - we want to learn more about what OSG members need
 - the Superfacility concept/framework is a natural fit for both NERSC and OSG
- We run a supercomputing center with unique hardware and capabilities
 - we are plugged in to future computing trends and have close relationships with both large-scale vendors and startups
 - we want to build a closer connection to OSG to help guide our future technology choices to better support our users
- **We believe that joining the OSG board would be of great benefit to us, our users and OSG.**



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Astronomy and Astrophysics

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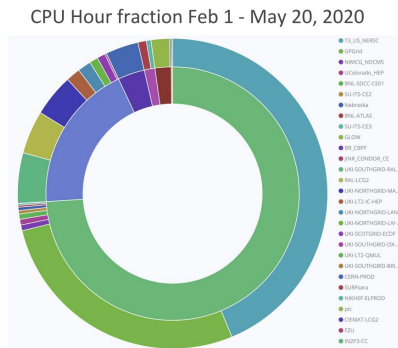
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- Addition of Storage Element
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- Data processing on distributed infrastructure
 - (FNAL - 50% similar to previous)
- Utilizing NERSC SuperCompute through HEPCloud for simulating 10000 simultaneous jobs running on DUNE CPU hours)
- Anticipating using 80 - 100 M Cpu during ProtoDUNE1.1 operation

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Fermilab

CDI Hour fraction Feb 1 - May 20, 2020

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- Soon undertake ProtoDUNE Single Phase Production version 3 (PD-SPProd3)
- Data processing on distributed computing
- (FNAL ~50% similar to previous usage)
- Utilizing NERSC SuperComputer Cori allocation through HEPCloud for simulation generation (10000 simultaneous jobs running ~40% of total DUNE CPU hours)
- Anticipate using 80 - 100 M CPU hours/year in during ProtoDUNE II operations

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Adding in HPC @ NERSC Cori

 Fermilab

Taken from “Fermilab and OSG: Perspectives from neutrino, muon, and astronomy experiments”

https://indico.fnal.gov/event/22127/contributions/194483/attachments/133930/165401/OSG_AHM_2020_Non-CMS_FNAL_experiments.pdf

Support for CVMFS

- Restrictions on OS (FUSE etc.) meant cvmfs at NERSC was historically challenging.
- Copying whole or part of software stack into a container was/is a solution (automated workflows to build images used in production by e.g ATLAS/CMS)

Support up-to-date cvmfs for entire sw stack w/out large images

- Currently deploy solution via Cray DVS to mount CVMFS over NFS
 - 24 repositories now mounted inc LZ; ATLAS; CMS; AMS, DUNE, NOVA
- **CVMFS will be supported on Perlmutter:** evaluating ‘normal’ FUSE-based or DVS solutions