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Globus Online: Use Cases and Security EGI-TF EGI/EUDAT/PRACE workshop

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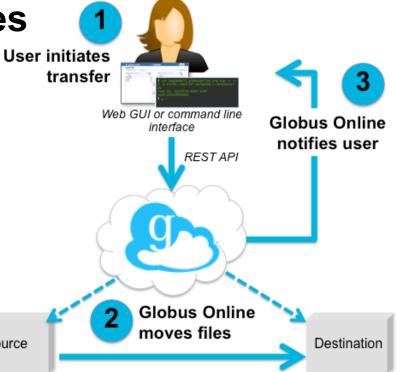
What is Globus Online?

Transfer and synchronize files

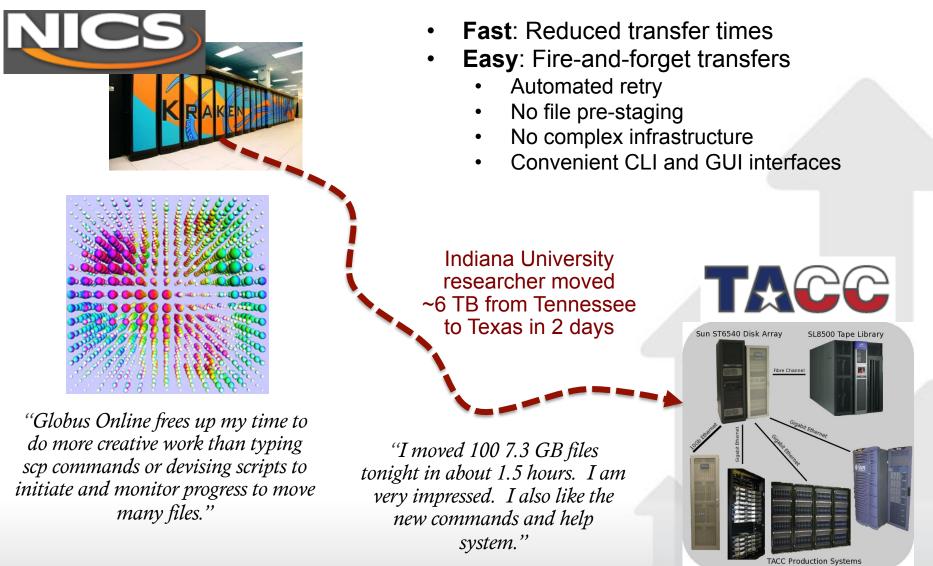
- Easy "fire-and-forget" transfers
- Automatic fault recovery
- High performance
- Across multiple security domains

Minimize IT costs

- Software as a Service (SaaS)
 - No client software installation
 - New features automatically available Source
- Consolidated support & troubleshooting
- Simple endpoint installation with Globus Connect and GridFTP
- Recommended by XSEDE, Blue Water, NERSC, ALCF, ESnet, many Universities



Case Study: Lattice QCD



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Case Study: Enabling Users @ NERSC

Challenge

 "We need to provide web-based ways to accomplish computing tasks – it's what our scientists expect. And it will make them more productive."

Solution

- Globus Online endpoints maintained by NERSC
- GO = recommended transfer method

Benefits for NERSC users

- Drag and drop archiving
- Easy to use
- Users can focus on their research (not on IT)

Benefits for NERSC

- Operations and support outsourced to GO
- Fast and easy to make endpoints available
- Automated authentication
- Reliable performance and support



"Fantastic! I have already started using Globus Connect to transfer data, and it only took me 5 minutes to set up. Thank you!" – NERSC user



Hopper, Franklin and HPSS are among the NERSC resources leveraged by Globus Online.

Case Study: Dark Energy Survey

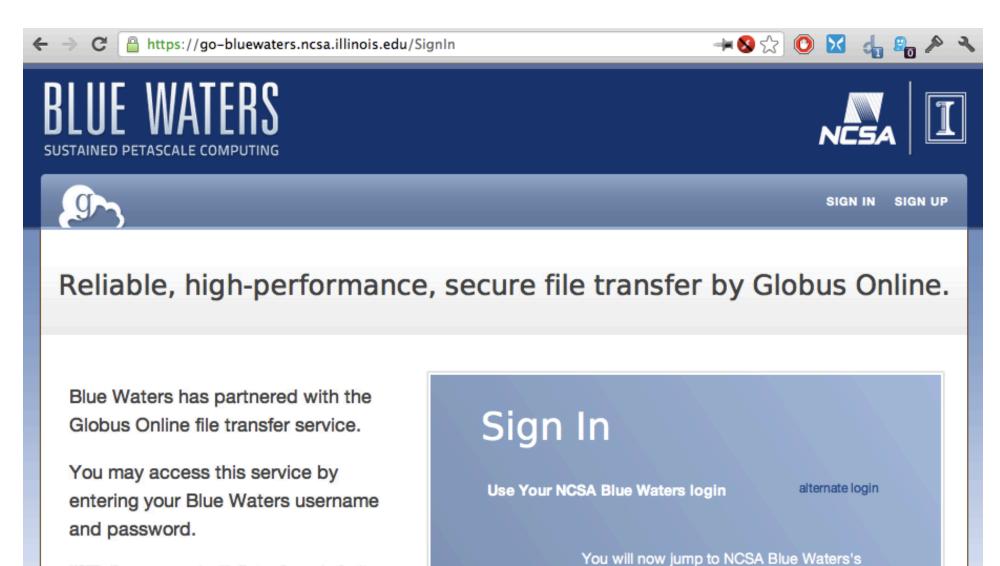
- Every night, they receive 100,000 files in Illinois
- They transmit files to Texas for analysis ... then move results back to Illinois ... and make them available to users
- Process must be reliable, routine, and efficient
- The cyberinfrastructure team is not large!

Blanco 4m on Cerro Tololo



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NOTE - If you are accessing this file transfer service for the first time, you will be asked to link your Blue Waters account to a Globus Online account (if you don't have a Globus Online account you'll be able to create one).

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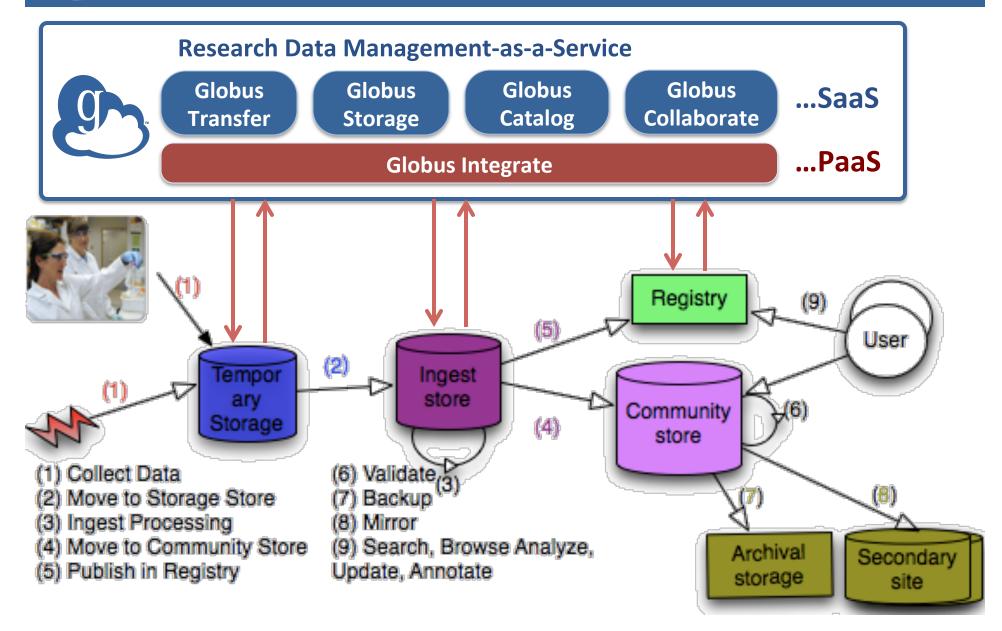
Proceed



- For researchers to transfer files to/from HPC facilities
 - E.g., NERSC, XSEDE, campus clusters
- For researchers to get data from scientific instruments
 - E.g., APS, Broad, campus next-gen sequencers
- For developers of data intensive workflows
 E.g., DES
- For developers and users of science gateways
 - E.g., ESGF

Towards "research IT as a service"

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Globus Online Security

• Have addressed security issues raised by XSEDE and PRACE:

- Address cross site request forgery issues in user interface
- Prevent a one time intruder subsequent access from a remote machine
- Implement state of the art password storage
- Implement protections against brute force password guessing
- Protect user proxies stored in backups
- Implement regular firewall or security group testing
- Define and document an incident response plan
- Implement remote logging
- Implement logging for access to user credentials
- Implement file integrity checking on servers
- Restrict impact of a stolen delegated proxy

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