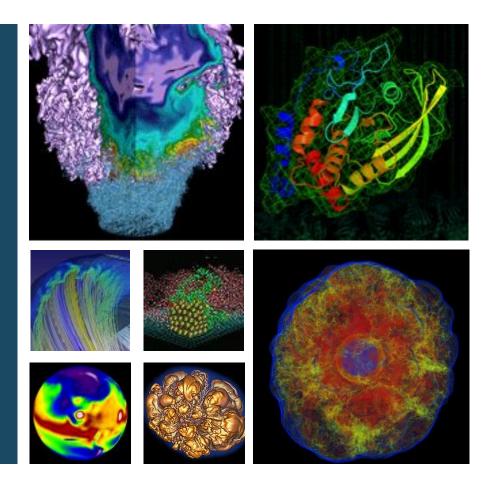
Science Gateways at NERSC





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What is a Science Gateway?



- Web-based scientific resource for collaboration
- A form of computer-supported cooperative work
- Can be shared data, shared tools, may include social networking
- "value-added interfaces to access these shared resources" (sciencegateways.org)





Harnessing the Power of the Web



 Traditional High Performance Computing assumes command-line expertise.

```
ssh carver.nersc.gov
qsub -I -q matgen_reg -l nodes=2:ppn=16 -l walltime=00:30:00
cd /project/projectdirs/matgen/vasp_test
mpirun -n 32 vasp
```

- The end-user scientist shouldn't have to be an old-school unix geek.
- Take advantage of rich visualizations and advanced user interfaces.
- Facilitate better sharing and collaboration.







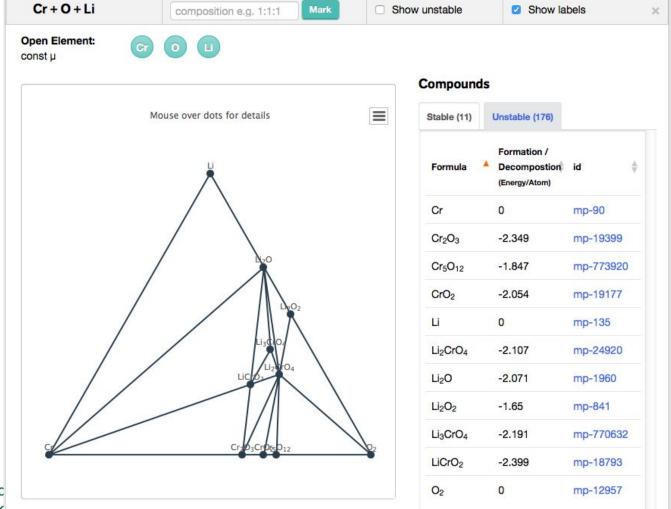






Interfaces to HPC resources







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Data sharing across facilities/collaborations





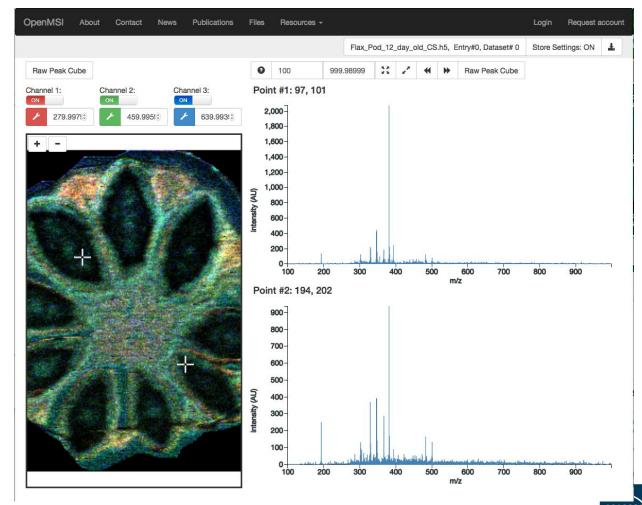






Interactive tools



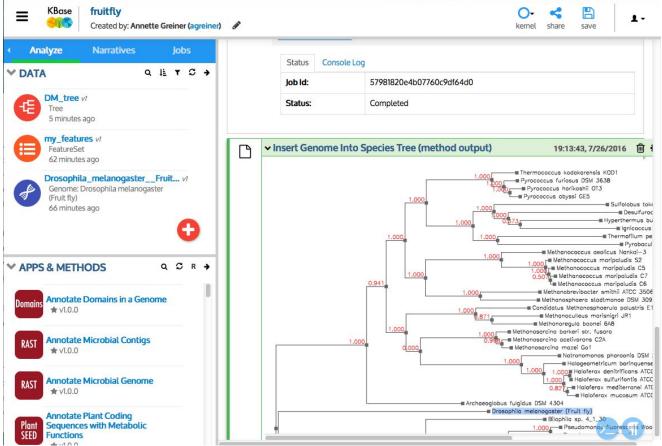






Rich visualizations and Uls









Three Levels of Collaboration



Self-Service

Initial Consulting

Immersive Engagement

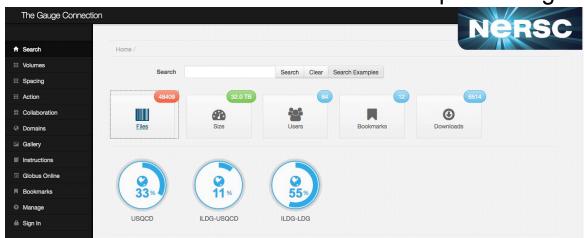




User-Built Gateways



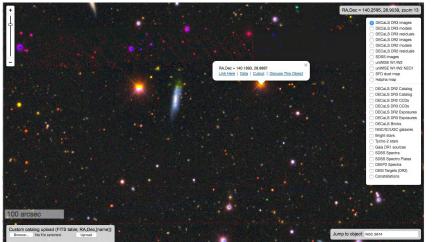
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Building Your Own Gateway



What level of service do you need? (We are 8x5)

Do you need to work with a programmer? (Domain Expertise + CS expertise)

What kind of data do you have? (HDF5, Database, Files)

Do you have long running computations? (> web time)

Would you benefit from an API? (Making data available in a structured format)





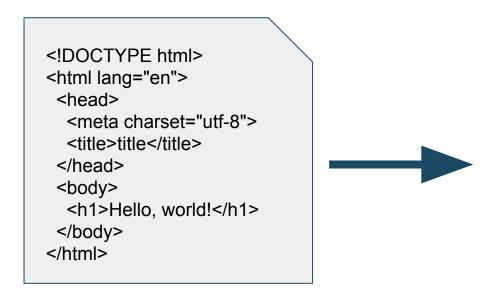
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The quick way:

World-readable files in /project/projectdirs/myproject/www

/project/projectdirs/myproject/ www/index.html



http://portal.nersc.gov/project/myproject/index.html







Tools — Web Stack



Django and Flask (Python) are popular web frameworks

Python has an extensive set of scientific libraries like NumPy, SciPy, H5PY

See also: PHP, web2py, etc.

PyDAP for serving HDF5 data

Jupyter Notebook, R-Studio for Interactive Computing

Globus, NEWT













Web APIs



- We've found that scientists often want programmatic access to data
- e.g. Materials Project: Give me property X for all materials with Li and O so that I can pass it through my own codes
- Lesson make your data available through an API and people will start to do new and innovative things





Web API Example



```
GET https://www.materialsproject.org/rest/v1/materials/Fe2O3/vasp/energy
    "created at": "2013-03-17T09:14:58.158081",
    "valid response": true,
    "version": {
    "pymatgen": "2.5.4",
    "db": "2013.02.25",
    "rest": "1.0"
    "response": [{
    "energy": -132.33005625,
    "material id": 542309
   }, {
    "energy": -66.62512425,
    "material id": 24972
   }],
    "copyright": "Copyright 2012, The Materials Project"
```





NEWT



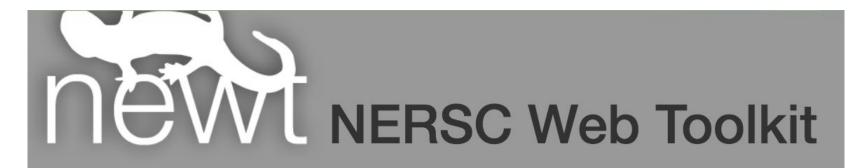
REST API for HPC resources

NERSC over HTTP

Jobs, Files, Commands, Status, Accounting, etc.

Makes it very easy to build web applications that can interface with NERSC

https://newt.nersc.gov







NEWT Example



GET https://newt.nersc.gov/newt/status/

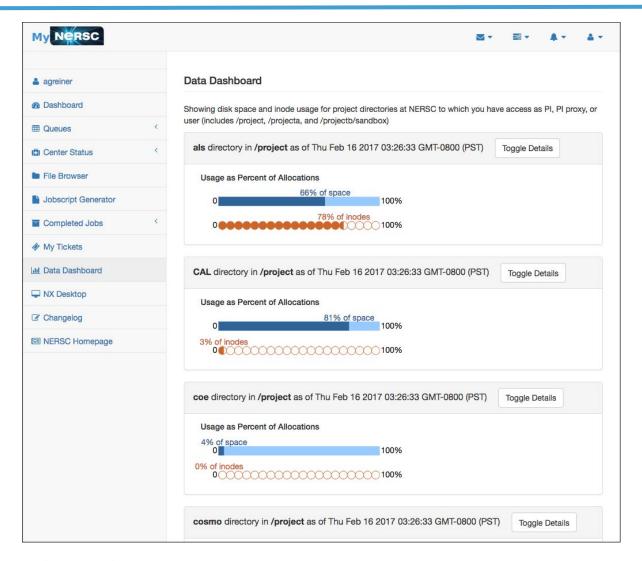
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[{
  "status": "up",
  "system": "cori"
}, {
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}, {
 "status": "up",
 "system": "pdsf"
}, {
 "status": "up",
 "system": "genepool"
}, {
 "status": "up",
 "system": "archive"
}]
```





Dogfooding









What Next?



Read the Docs:

http://www.nersc.gov/users/science-gateways/





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