

Evolution and Broadening of the National Analysis Facility at DESY

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DESY.



NAF Scope and History

>15 years of ongoing development

- Starting in 2007 as compute infrastructure for German HEP (ATLAS, CMS, LHCb, ILC) scientists
 - Complementary to Grid production
 - Direct user access
 - Fast job turn around
- Distributed between Hamburg and Zeuthen sites, AFS & LUSTRE storage backends, SGE cluster engine, PROOF I/O
 - Basic design aims reappearing today ~ remote/parallel/... fast data processing
- Lessons for the NAF
 - Avoiding being technology/implementation driven
 - Aiming for generic concept driven approach wrt. user needs



NAF Scope and History

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- NAF technology ongoing evolving from its initial technology implementation
 - Core Fundamentals
 - User focused
 - Data centric
 - Integrated Storage and Compute Infrastructure
- NAF is a *whitelabel* Analysis Facility
 - Users today from a broad spectrum of communities end experiences
 - User support crucial
 - Any technology can only be auxiliary
 - Evolved beyond HEP
 - **Interdisciplinarity** central



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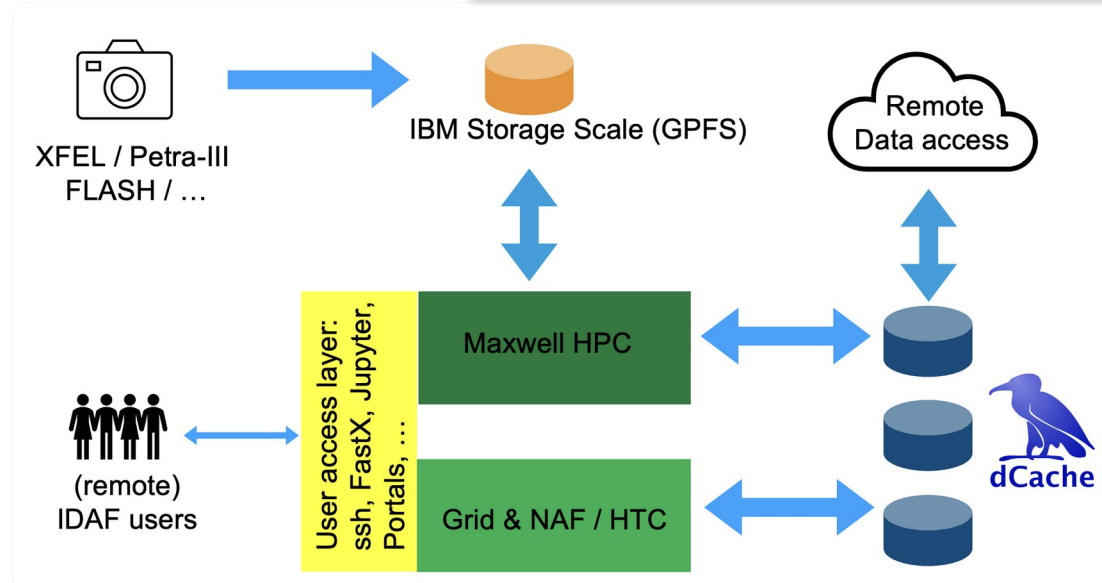
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IDAF: Interdisciplinary Analysis Facility (IDAF)

Umbrella for the NAF (HTC) and Maxwell (HPC)

CPU nodes	~1500
CPU cores	~60.000
GPUs	~400
Node IO	10 Gbit/s (Ethernet)– 100 Gbit/s (InfiniBand)
WAN bandwidth	2x 50 Gbit/s
Internal traffic	up to 250 Gbit/s dCache IO
dCache storage	~150 Pbyte @ 2 Giga-files
GPFS storage	~60 Pbyte @ 1,5 Giga-files

- NAF is part of the encompassing DESY “*Interdisciplinary Data and Analysis Facility*” (IDAF)
- NAF/HTC + Maxwell/HPC + Grid/HTC
- umbrella for analyses and production by DESY communities
- **HEP**, **photon science**, **accelerator R&D**, **theory** & **operations**
- **Data centric**
 - Experiments data at the core
 - Local & global experiment data stored@DESY
 - Common namespaces
- Synergies between communities, operations and solutions whenever possible, special solutions when needed

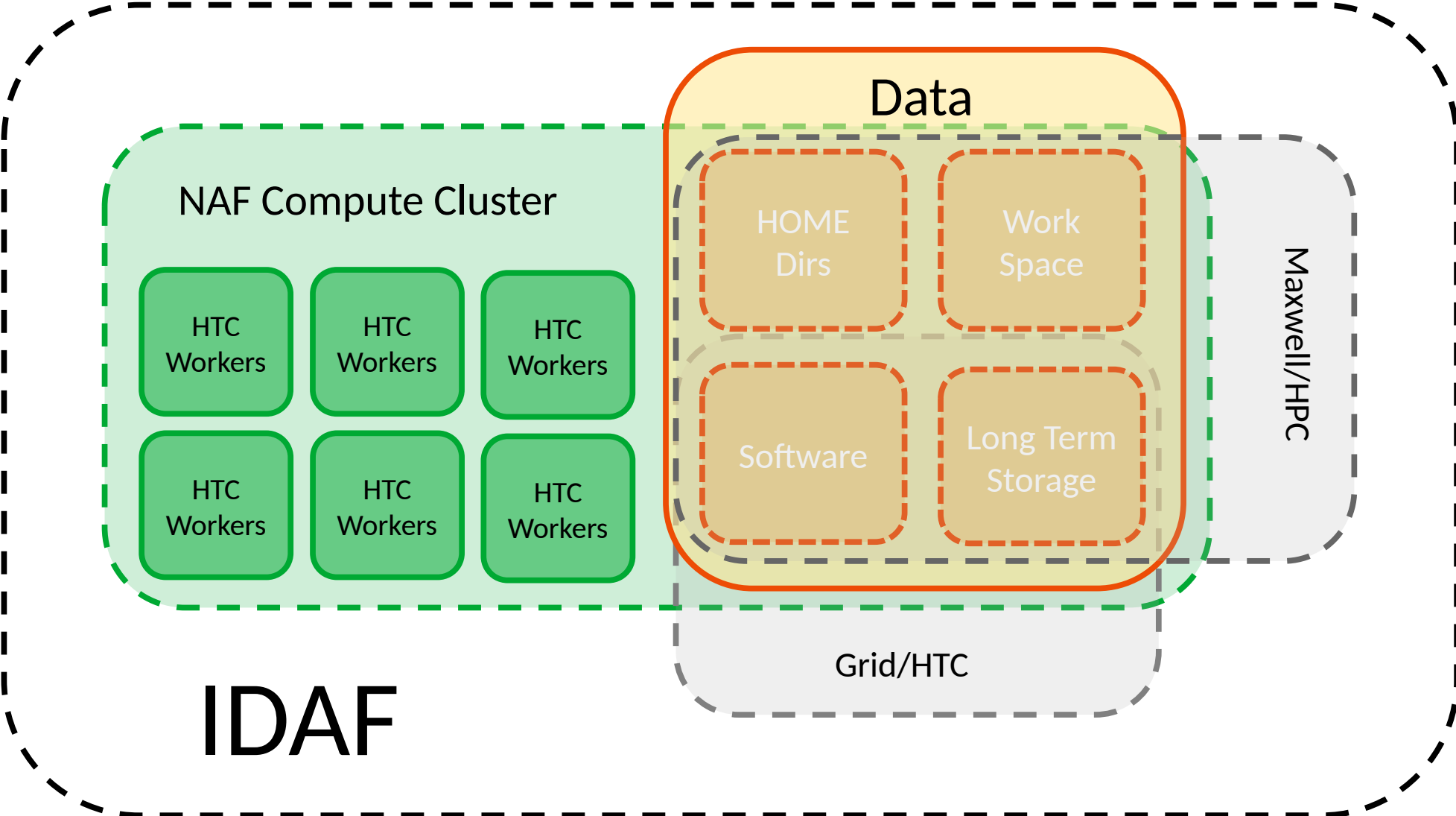


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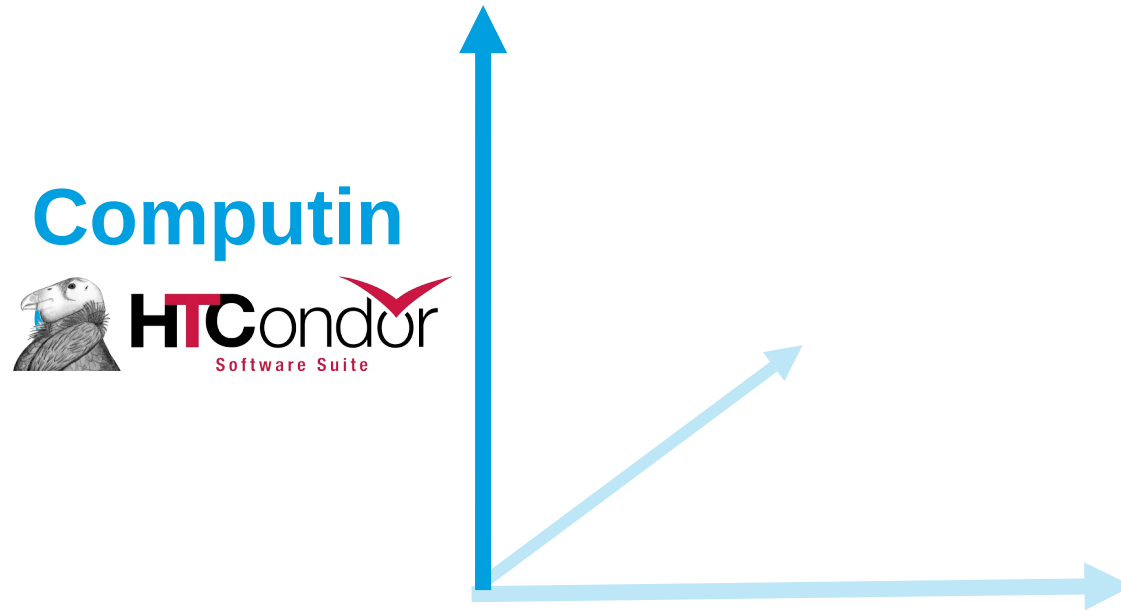
NAF in the IDAF

IDAF is Storage Centric



NAF (& IDAF) Dimension: Computing

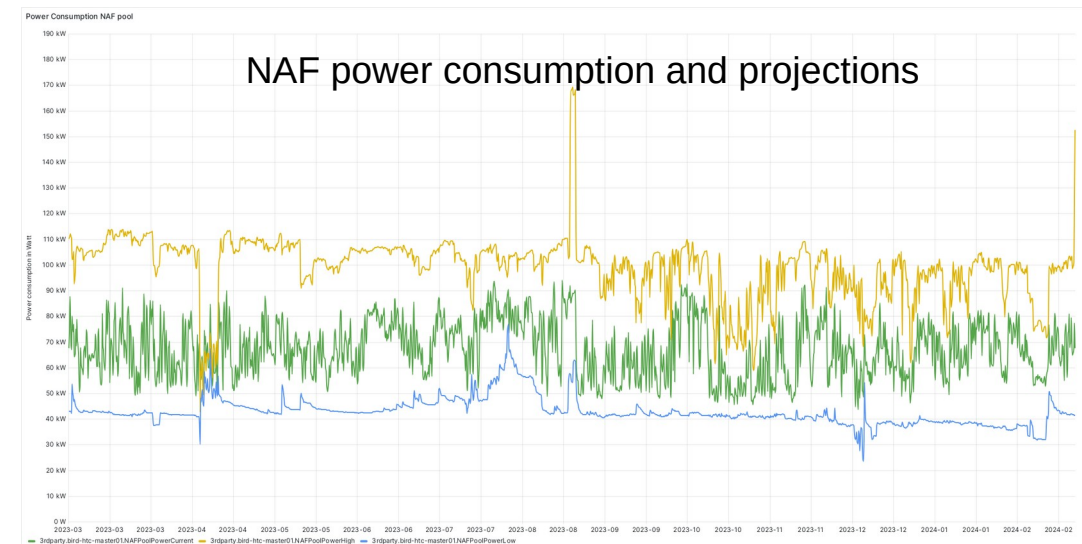
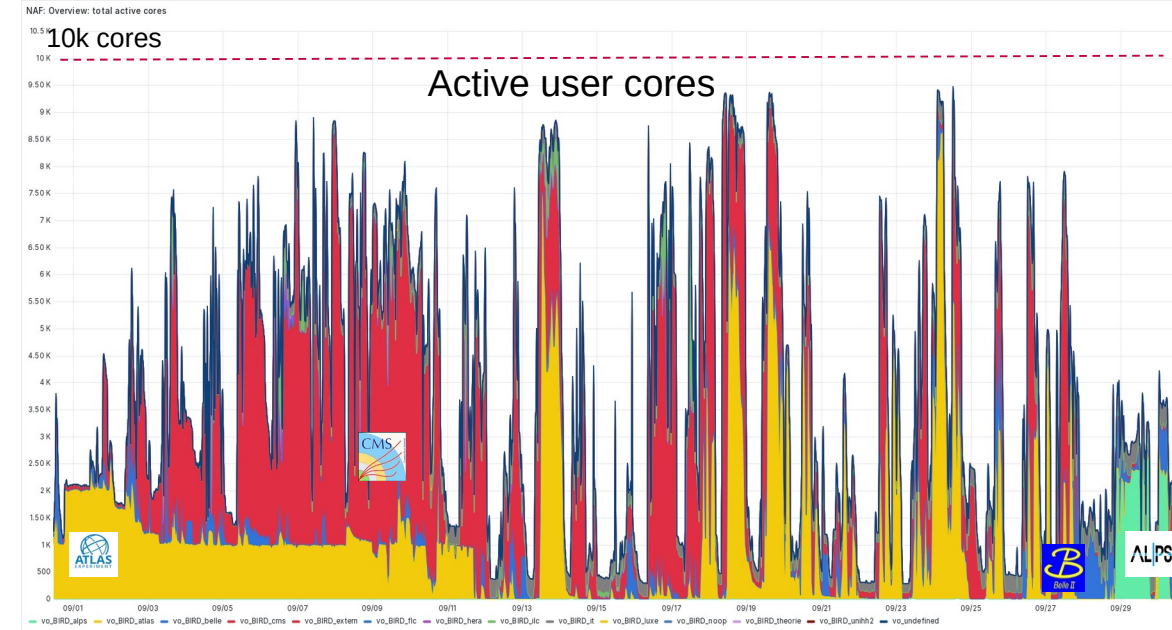
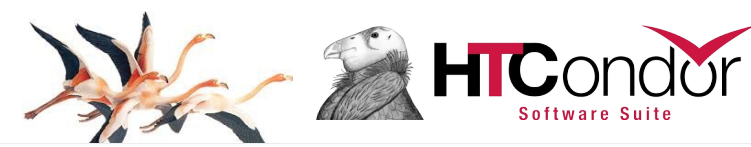
number crunching scale out as HTC



NAF Compute

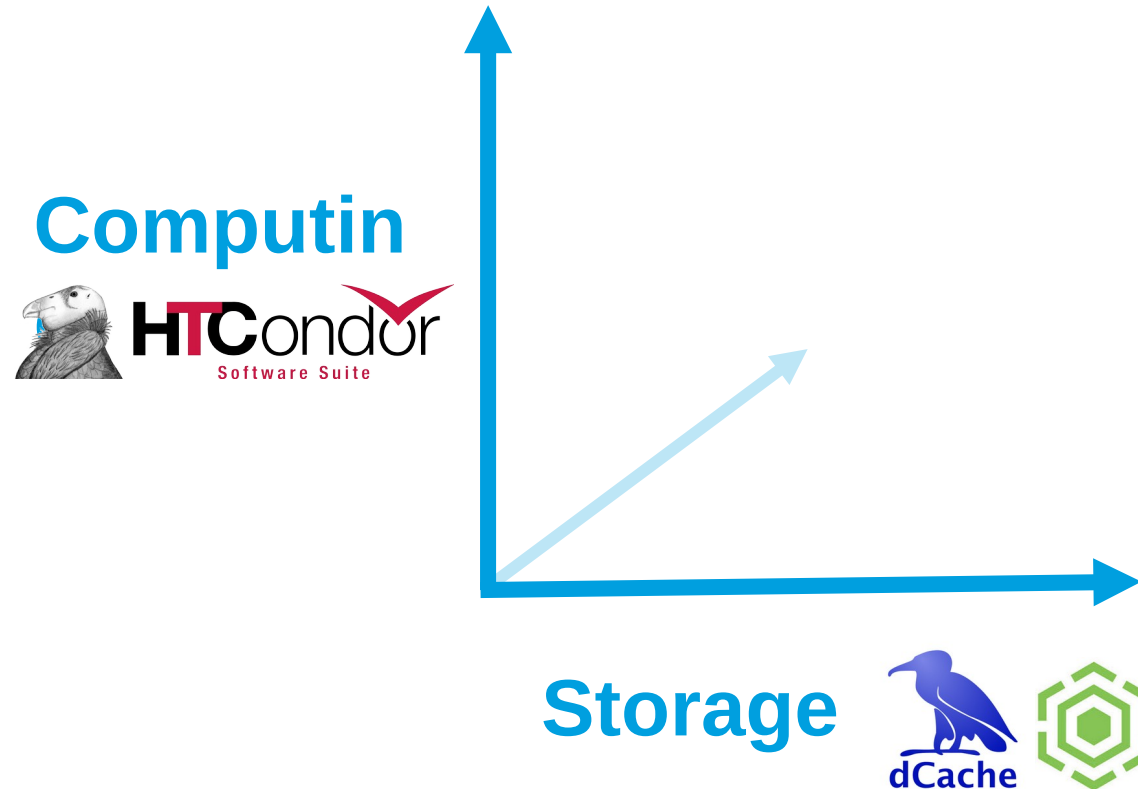
Compute Cluster based on HTCondor

- HTC cluster on RHEL9 with HTCondor 23 with ~290 kHS23
- Same puppet base as Grid HTC cluster
- Dynamic cluster utilization
 - Work day/week, conferences,...
 - Headroom wrt cluster utilization necessary to keep job start latencies low for interactivity
- Active power management
 - Horizontal job allocation for node load shedding





NAF (& IDAF) Dimension: Storage, Namespaces & I/O

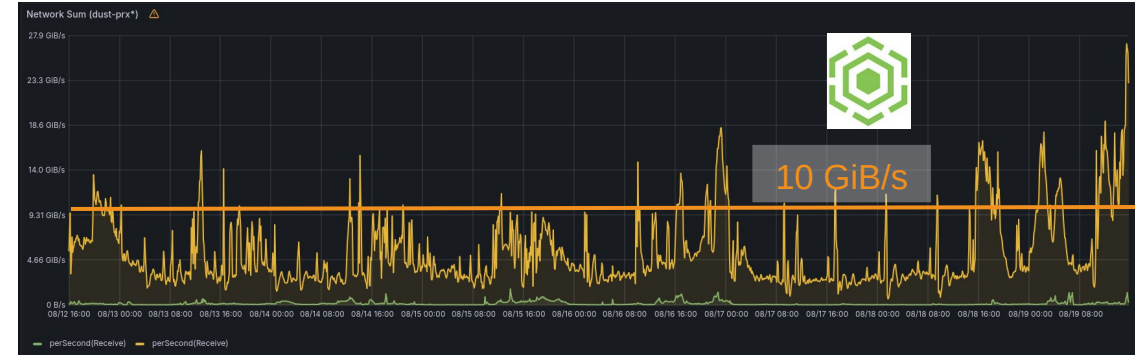
Common namespace, scratch & LTS backends



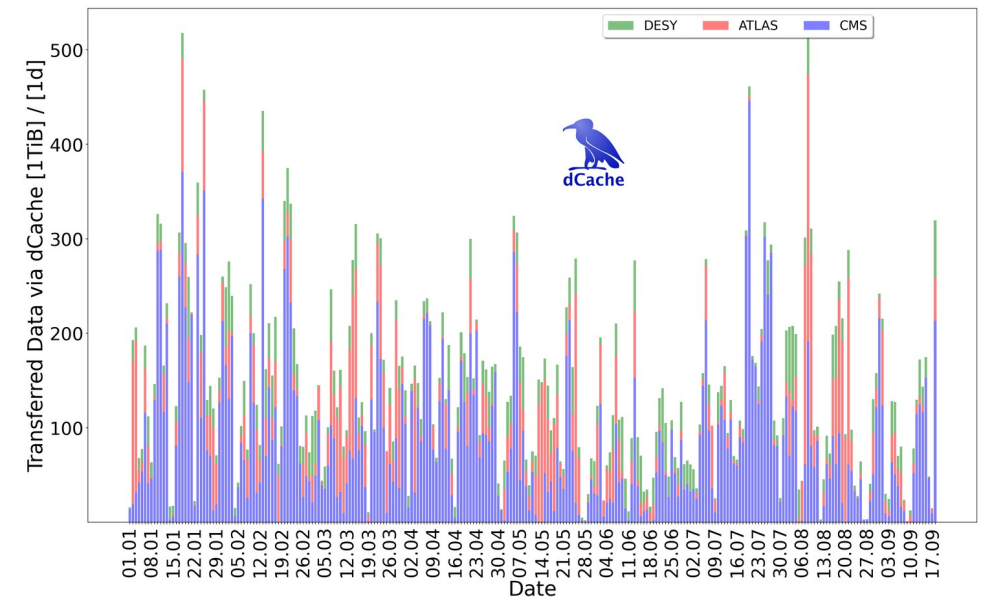
NAF Storage

Tiered Storage Systems

- Local namespaces:
 - worker node local disks (rarely used by users)
- Cluster wide common namespace
 - HOMEs: AFS
 - low iops, remotely accessible
 - Software/Containers: CVMFS
 - scalable, globally available
 - Work Space: Spectrum Scale 
 - fast I/O
 - Bulk Data: dCache 
 - Long term storage, WAN~Grid I/O, Tape



throughput DUST scratch space



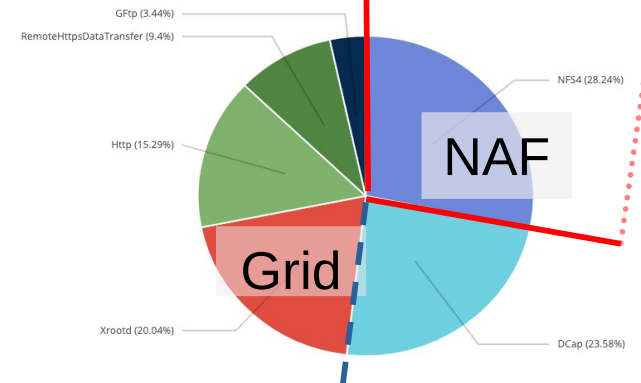
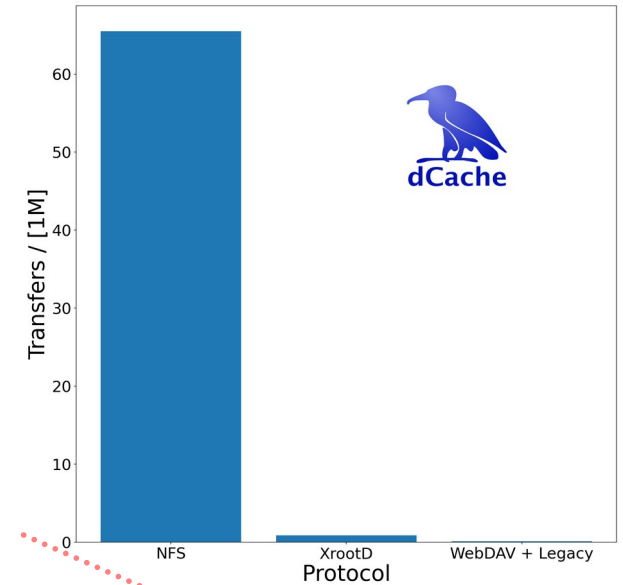
LTS data I/O from/to NAF

Application file interface: paths

NFS as protocol of choice for file I/O

- User applications rely on paths for file addressing
 - Plethora of communities with common interface: POSIX (paths, ownership, calls...)
- NFS 4 protocol of choice
 - compatible with all NAF communities and storage backends (excl. AFS)
- Local access control on user/group level
 - Cluster-wide namespace via network file systems
 - Work In progress: Consolidation with Maxwell/HPC cluster towards a *common IDAF namespace*

NAF # Mega Transfers
in August-September



Ratio of protocol uses on
HEP dCache instances

Bridging the Monitoring Gap

Storage and Compute Clusters as two sides of the same medal

- Before: monitoring separately for storage and compute clusters
- Not ideal for debugging
- Compute Monitoring ↔ Storage Monitoring “*air gapped*”
- Storage Side:
 - Worker as clients, User attribution only implicitly
- Compute node side
 - Kernel NFS client in root NS &
 - http/xrootd application layer
- Consolidating monitoring into common view wrt. file requests
 - “*NAF Debug Mode*”



eBPF file request monitoring

Collecting kernel file info



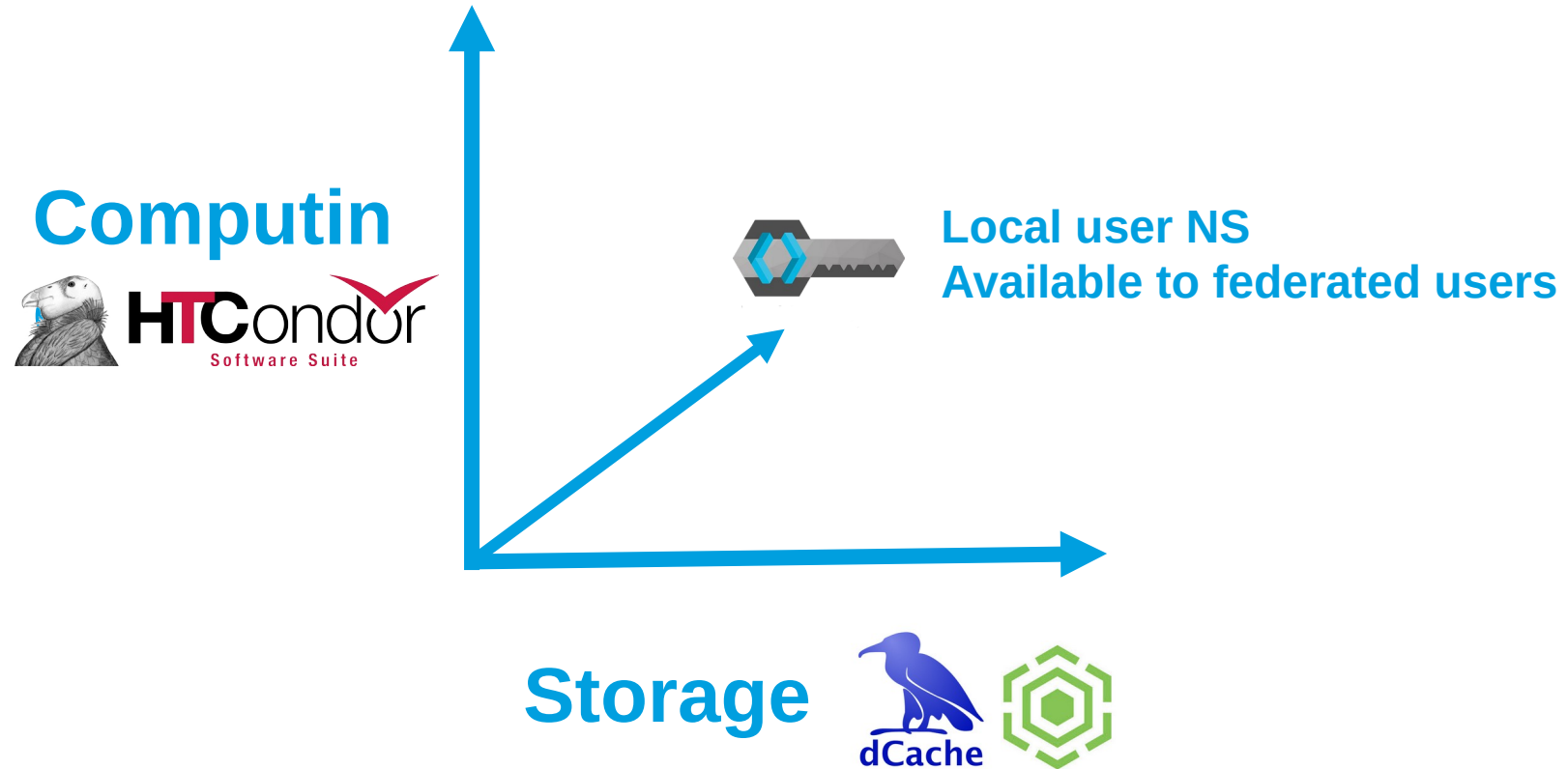
- Ongoing project
 - Needed information on the compute workers:
 - On shared network fs: **what** file paths are opened by **whom** in **which** jobs
 - Should be agnostic wrt storage backend or LRMS (HTCondor, SLURM, K8s...)
 - Querying the kernel via eBPF & reconstructing the paths
 - eBPF program extended to network/sockets,...
- Merge dCache storage events and NAF worker monitoring into common view
 - e.g., pseudo-query like ~
“list the *workers* where user *Foo* has file handles open with paths under */pnfs/desy.de/baz/...* which are served by dCache pool *dcache-baz314.desy.de*”

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{  
  "host": "grid-...desy.de",  
  "cmd": "kworker/u128:3",  
  "timestp_xmit_start[us]": 1853320629581,  
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NAF (& IDAF) Dimension: Identities

Local identities with federated user access



Federated Users – Local Identities

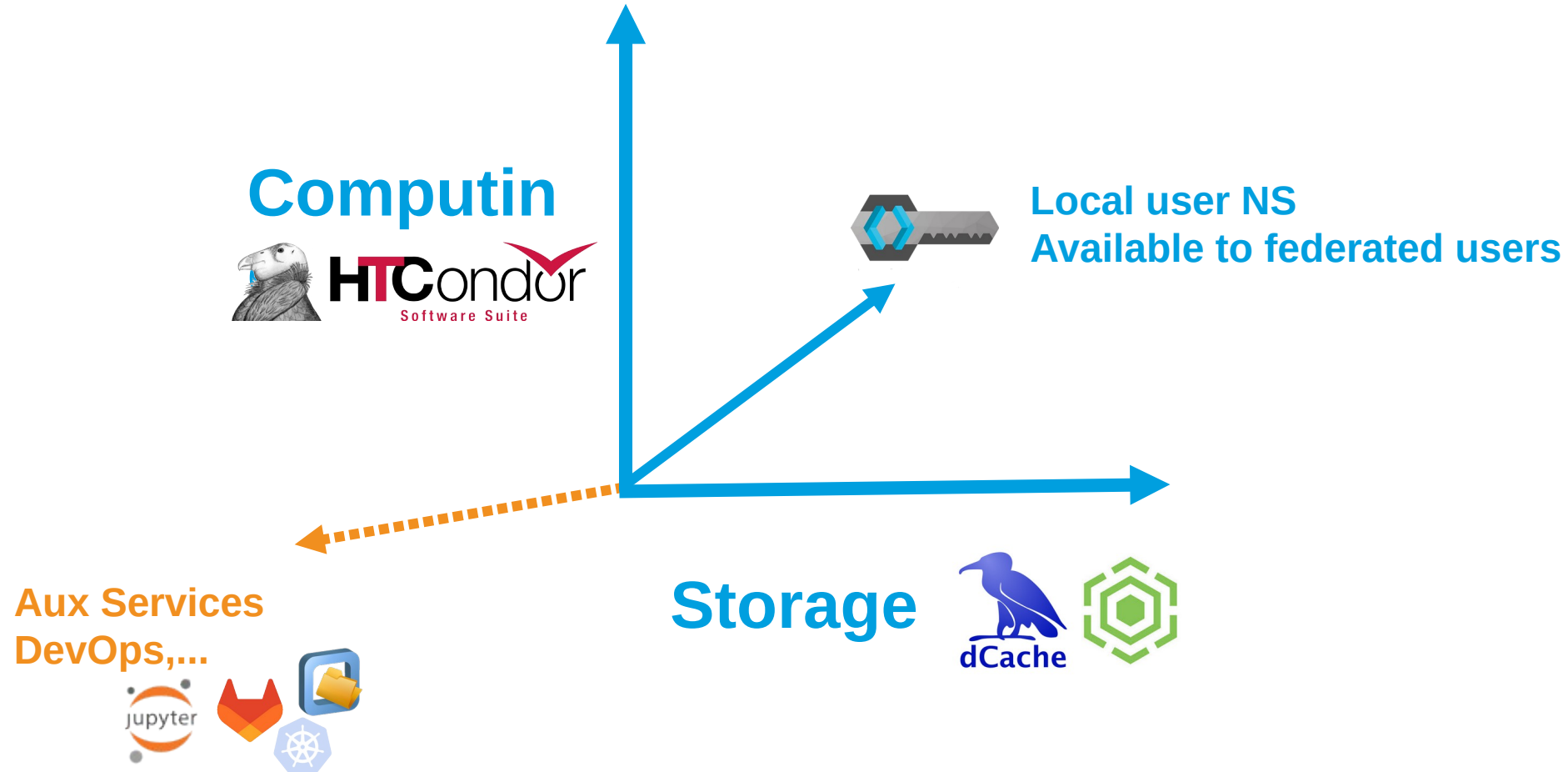
Keeping ID namespace intrinsic local

- In NAF 1.0 negative experiences with fully federated IDs/compute/storage
- ownership and capabilities wrt files is local
- Ongoing project:
 - enable remote users to board the NAF via federated AAls
 - Open questions at fed level: IDs persistent wrt. data/files → clean up?
- WAN data ingress/egress via dCache instances
 - Grid workflows
 - non-HEP solutions/protocols



NAF (& IDAF) Dimension: Auxilliary Services

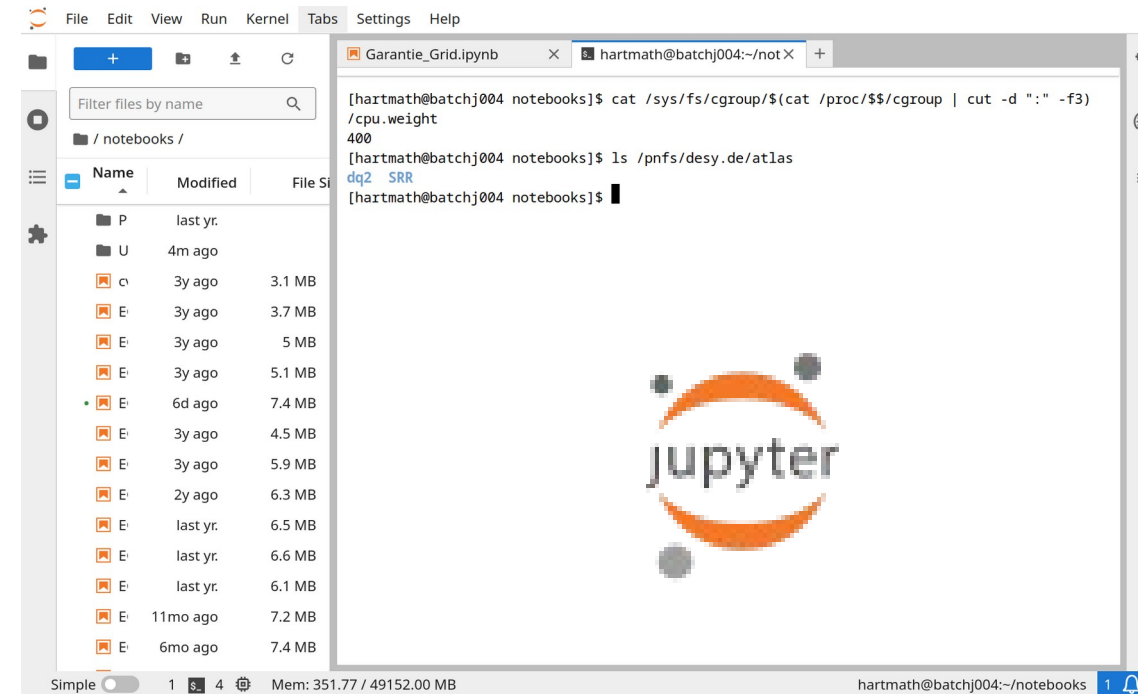
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NAF User Interfaces

Support and Auxilliary Infrastructure for smaller Groups

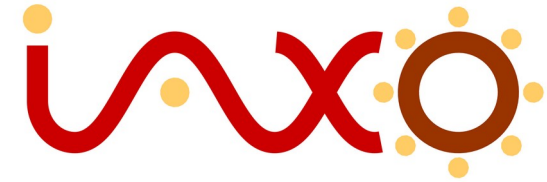
- Classic ssh
 - Workgroup server pooled behind remote submit nodes
- Jupyter Notebooks
 - Notebooks scale out as batch jobs
 - Memory heavy notebooks
 - Highmem slots
 - Spark/Dask overlay cluster
- FastX browser X UI
- Seeing more & more VSCode
 - Neat solution from Uni Bonn [<https://indico.cern.ch/event/1386170/contributions/6118491/>]
investigating how we can adapt it to the NAF



Experiment Onboarding

Support and Auxilliary Infrastructure for smaller Groups

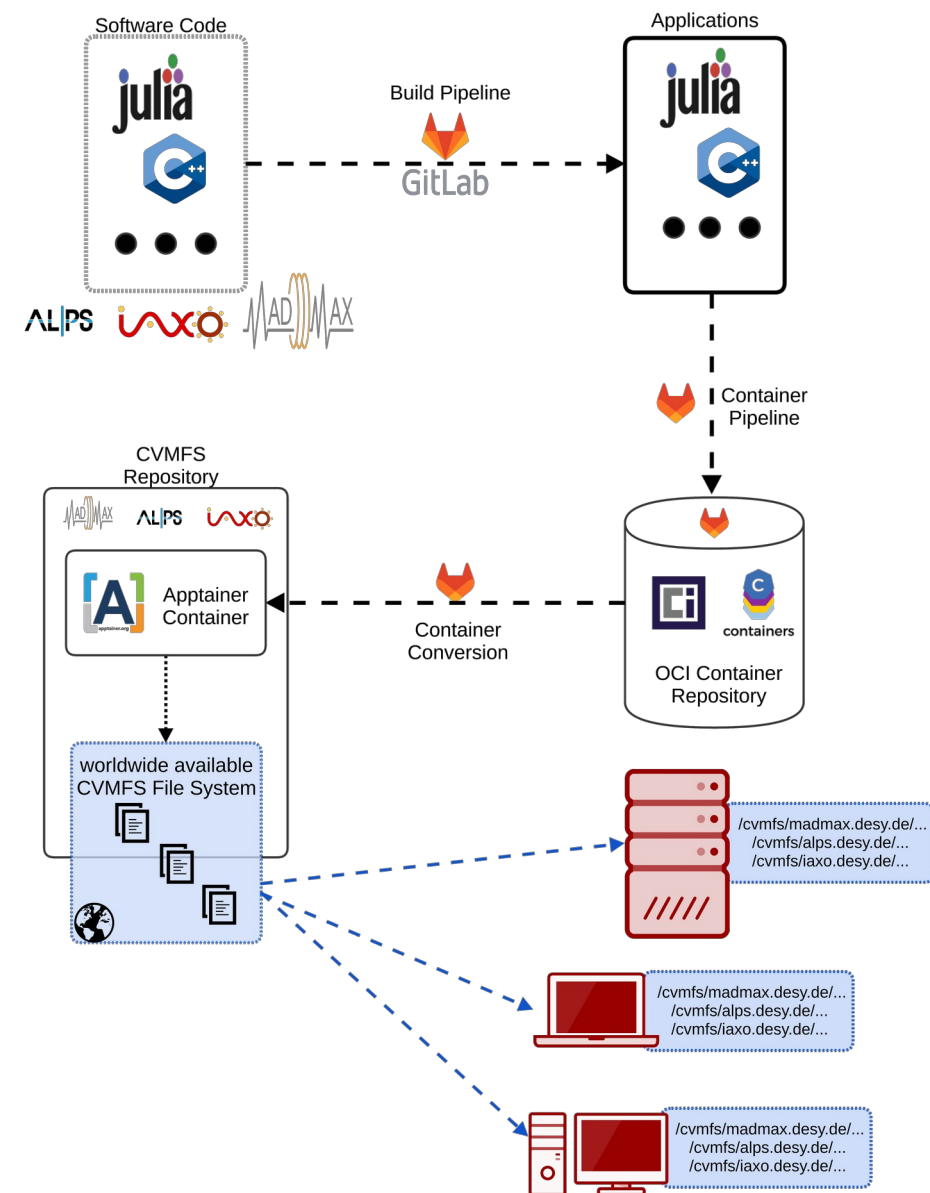
- User support crucial
 - on/off-site experiments with limited manpower
 - Utilizing shared infrastructure and experiences for serving computing & storage needs
- NAF auxilliary services becoming more prominent
 - DevOps, sw distribution, collaborator authz,...



ALPS, MADMAX & IAXO

NAF as platform for Experiments

- ALPS choose NAF as platform for compute & storage
 - Collaboration with DESY IT to integrate axilliary services
(many thanks @ **Rachel Wolf!**)
 - Software build and deployment as Gitlab pipeline to CVMFS
- Cooperating with MADMAX & IAXO to use & share platform, experiences,...
- User support & interaction
 - Significant gain from feedback
 - MADMAX as test user on EL9 preprod cluster discovered critical issue & committed fix
(many thanks @ **David Leppla-Weber!**)

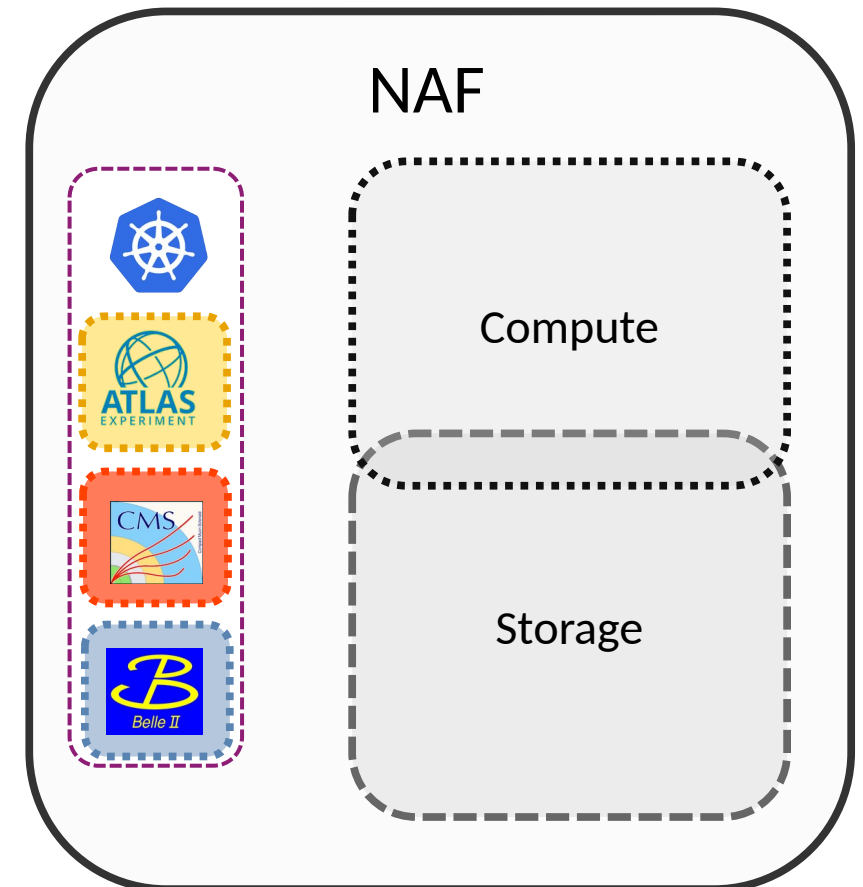
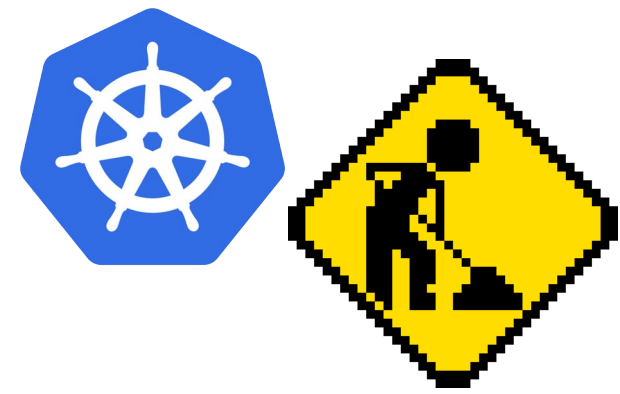


ALPS SW build & deployment workflow

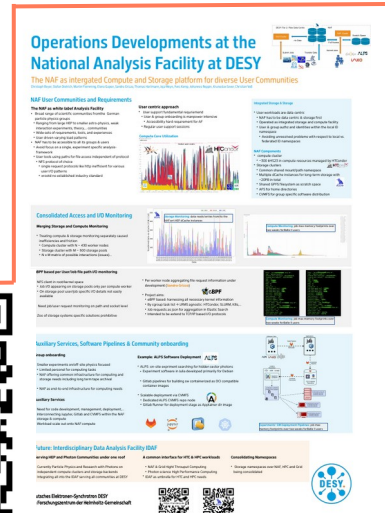
K8s Group Addon Service

Ongoing work

- NAF *white label* ~ not specific to single group use case
 - NAF **interdisciplinary** → **IDAF**
- Groups looking for deployment of own services, i.e., longer running, persistent applications
- Auxilliary Kubernetes cluster *under construction*
 - end point for *friendly groups* to deploy their flavoured services
 - **No heavy lifting**
 - CPU heavy workloads → **scale out via batch LRMS**
 - **Strong isolation**, cap constraints
 - no native mounts → heavy data I/O? → **scale out via batch LRMS**
 - Commitment for dedicated service admin required
 - Subject to good security practices etc.



Czy masz pytania?



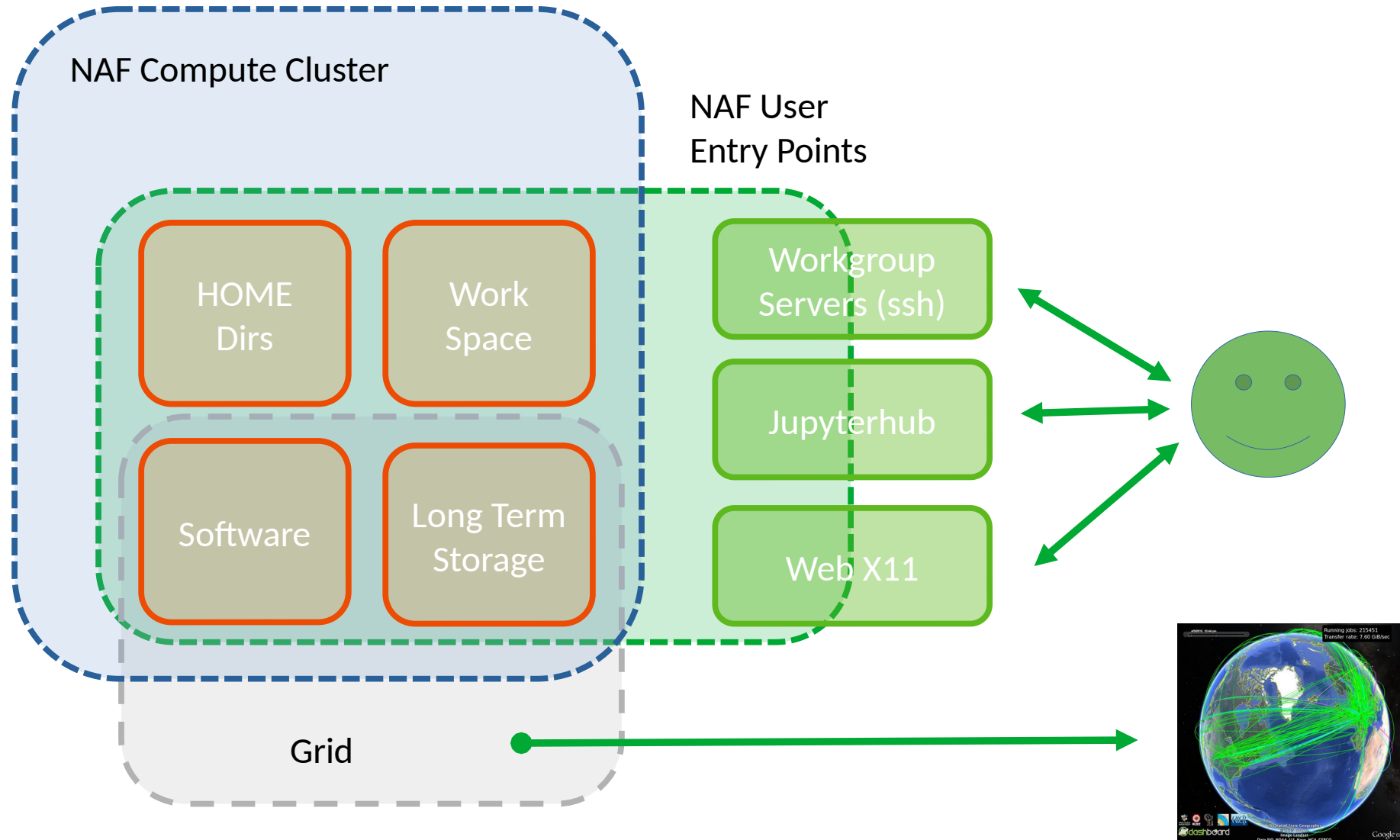
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Appendix

Integrated Storage and Compute

NAF is storage centric



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