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FACE-IT: Earth science workflows made easy with Globus and Galaxy technologies

(Provide more capability for more people at lower cost by delivering "Science as a Service")

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...less magic wands, more magic minds...

Facing real problems with Information Technology

The user profile...

Experts of their fields

Complex experiments

Limited programming skills

Scientists

What's in a name...

No buzzword

Real things!

An open playground for the next generation of earth system scientists

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Effective and efficient solutions to real problems

Experts in design and abstraction

Development-experts (in wizardry)...

Built on widely used Galaxy,

Globus, and

Swift systems

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Data + Workflows = Results

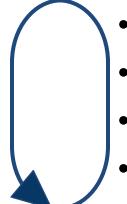
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Science Gateways



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Service Oriented Science



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"Service-Oriented Science", Science, 2005

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Making complex things straightforward

The Science Stack

- Galaxy
 - Interactive execution
 - Creation, Execution, Sharing, Discovering Workflows



SaaS

- Globus
 - Data management
 - Identity Management



PaaS

- AWS
 - HTCondor, Chef, EC2, EBS, S3, SNS, NEWT
 - Spot, Route 53, Cloud Formation



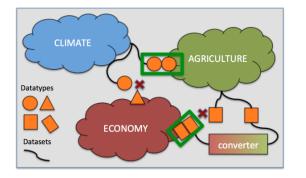
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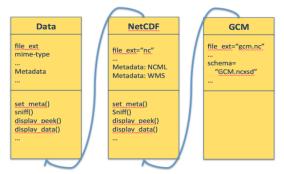


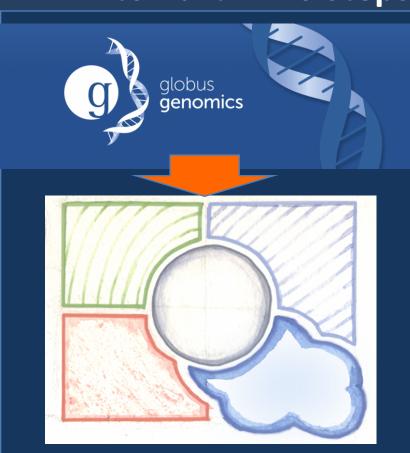
From genes to Earth in 6 steps

- Datatypes
- Tools
- Tool parameters

- Aggregated datatypes
- Data providers
- Visualizers

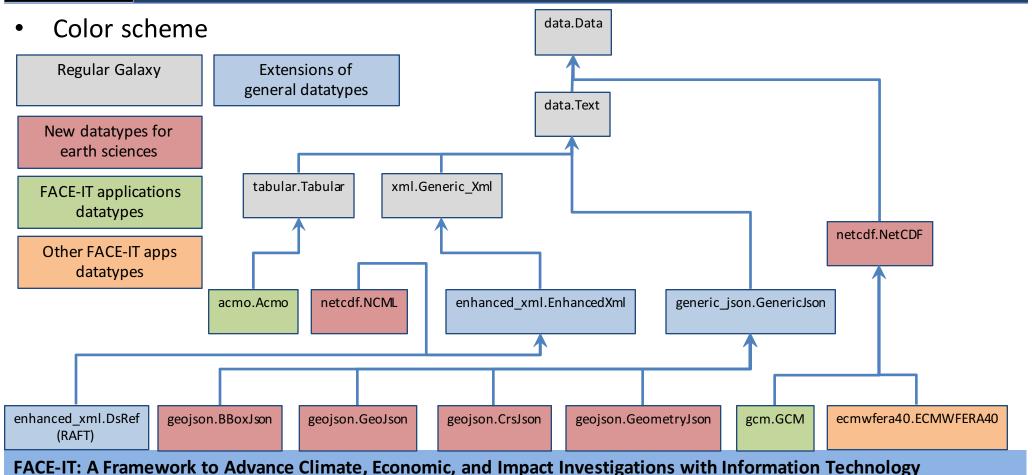


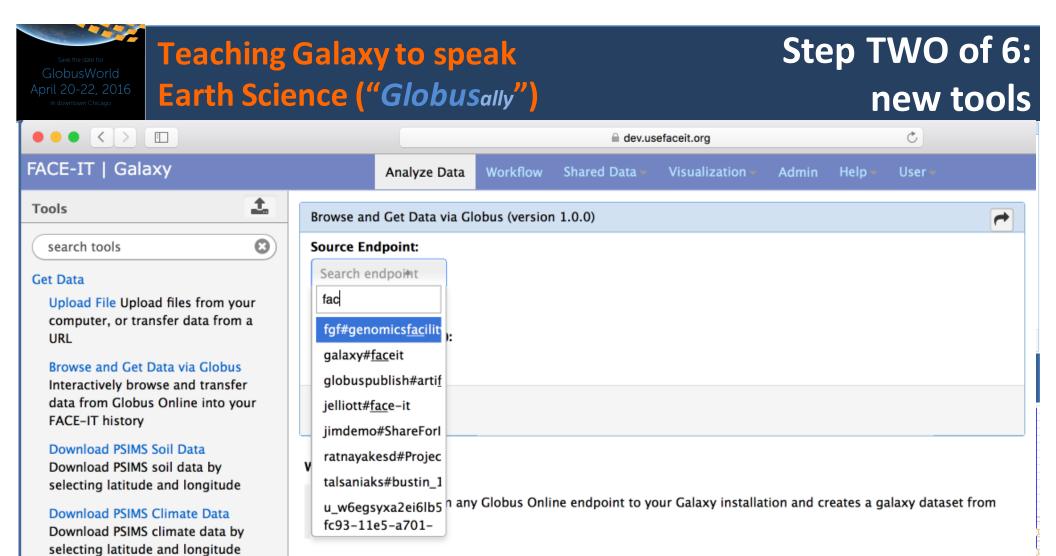






Step ONE of 6: earth system datatypes

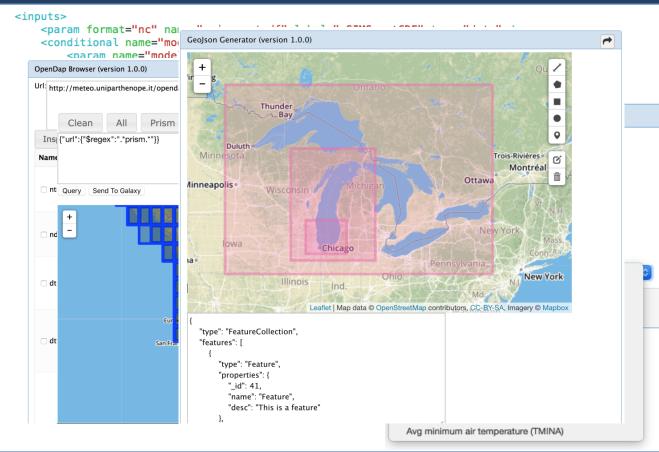






Step THREE of 6: tool parameters

- Tool parameters:
 Define the user interface
 elements for a tool
- Regular tool parameters wrap text fields, radio buttons and drop drown lists.
- Custom tool parameters for Globus, OpenDap, date peaking and feature selection on maps.





Step FOUR of 6: aggregated datatypes (RAFT*)

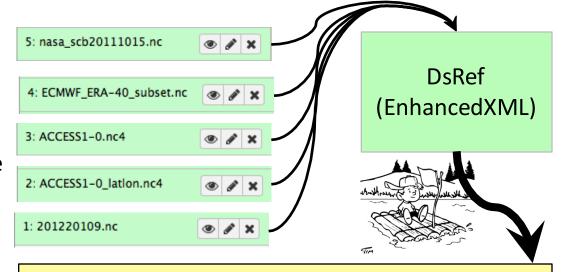
Dataset References:

XML based datatype grouping references to different datasets in the same history.

- The regular Galaxy works on single file datasets or composite file datasets.
- Acts as a 'struct' or an 'array' or a mix of both.
- Supports schemas and translators.

Globus HTTPS Endpoints (...future...)





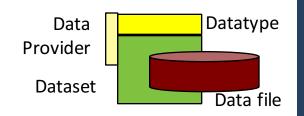
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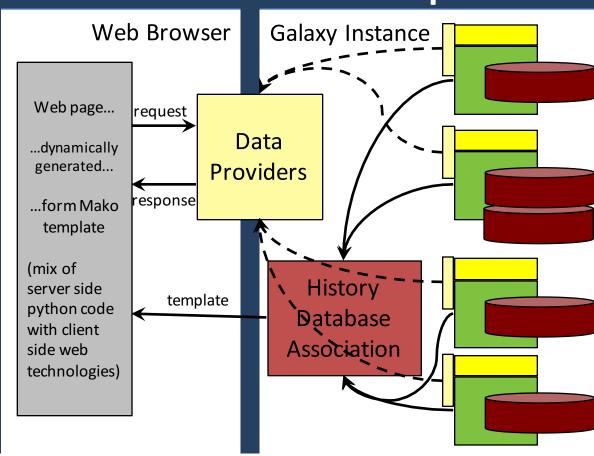
- A tool consumes and/or produces a variable number of datasets
- The tool is implemented using a Swift script working in parallel



Step FIVE of 6: data providers

- Data providers: software components interfacing the datasets with the web browser.
- They provide data as array of JSON objects
- Key/Values, Columnar, custom
- Implemented in Datatype classes

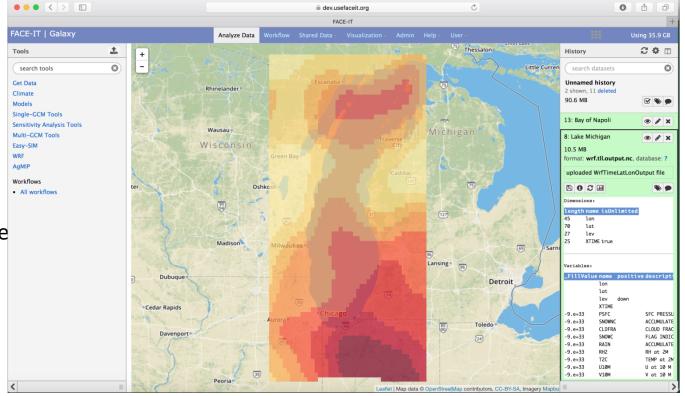






Step SIX of 6 (!): map visualizers

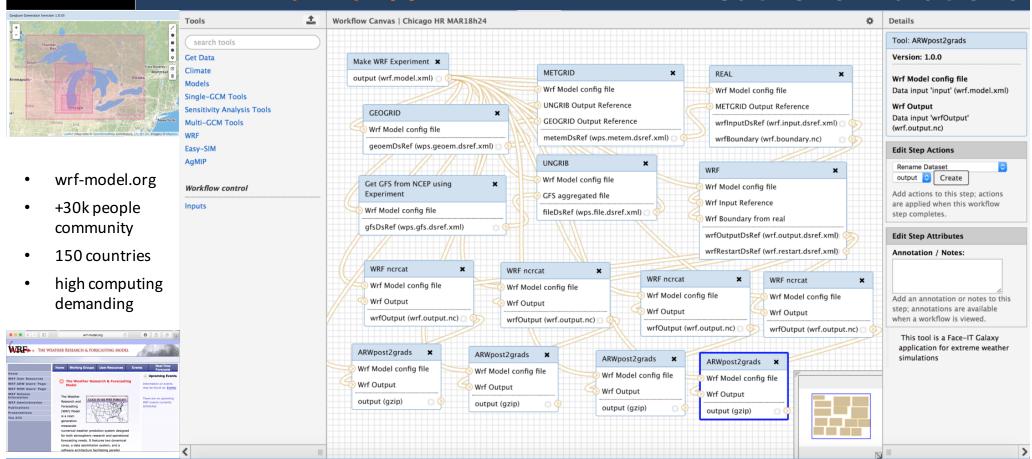
- Visualizers:
 client-side software
 components for interactive
 data visualization
- Quasi-GIS!
- Map: Visualizes vector data produce as GeoJson objects by a data provider
- Wms (World Map Server): Visualizes raster data from NetCDF datatypes.





Weather Research and Forecast @AWS: a (real) application.

Deliver on demand weather simulations



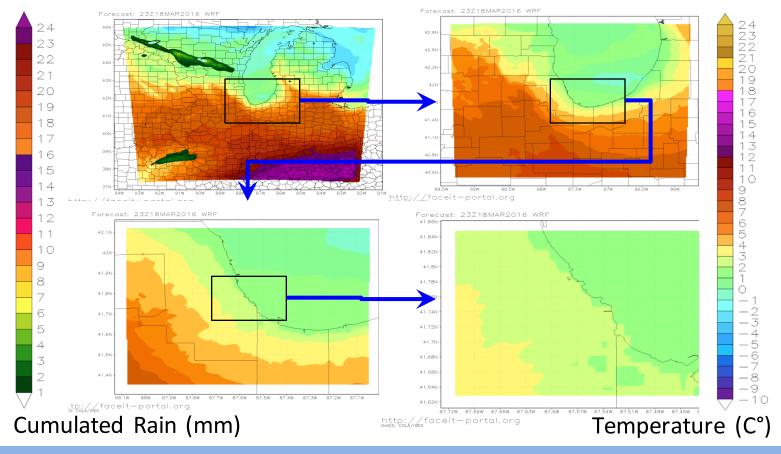


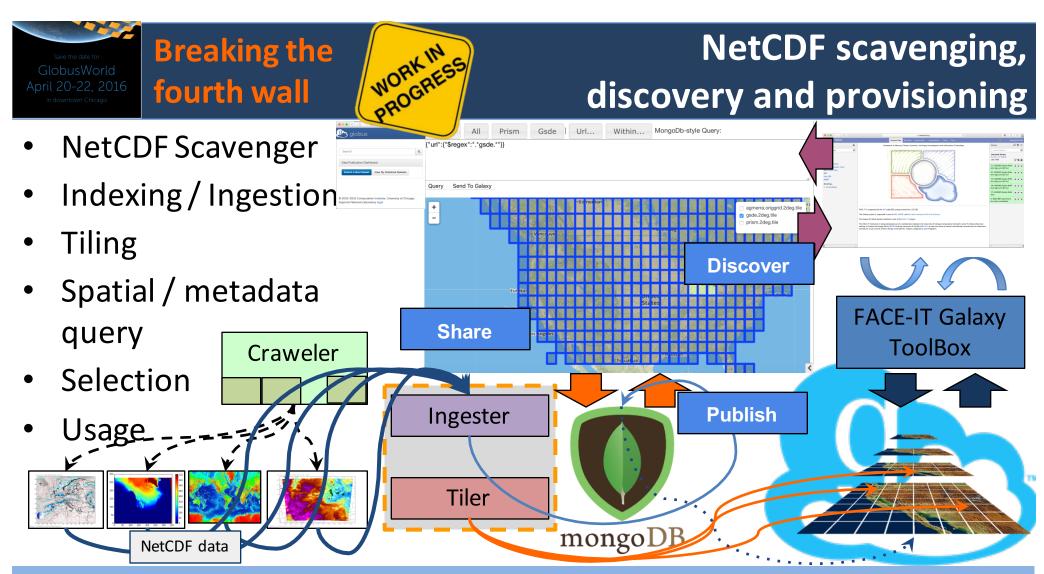
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Weather Forecast on Chicago area (333m)



- 4 nested domains
- 9km to 333m







Conclusions and [now] future works

 Face-IT Galaxy is a creative playground for the next generation of earth scientists powered by Globus for data movement and more.

http://www.faceit-portal.org

- Propose your application, write your code and share it!
- Spin-off projects: extreme weather simulations in the Bay of Napoli, IT (UniParthenope)

