Environments for Collaborative Applications on Distributed e-Infrastructures

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Outline

- Motivation
- Overview of applications
- Complexity of computing resources
- Environments for collaborative applications
 - Scripting approach
 - Common Information Space (service orientation)
 - Building and running multiscale applications
 - Federating clouds and HPC
- Executable papers
- Summary

Motivation

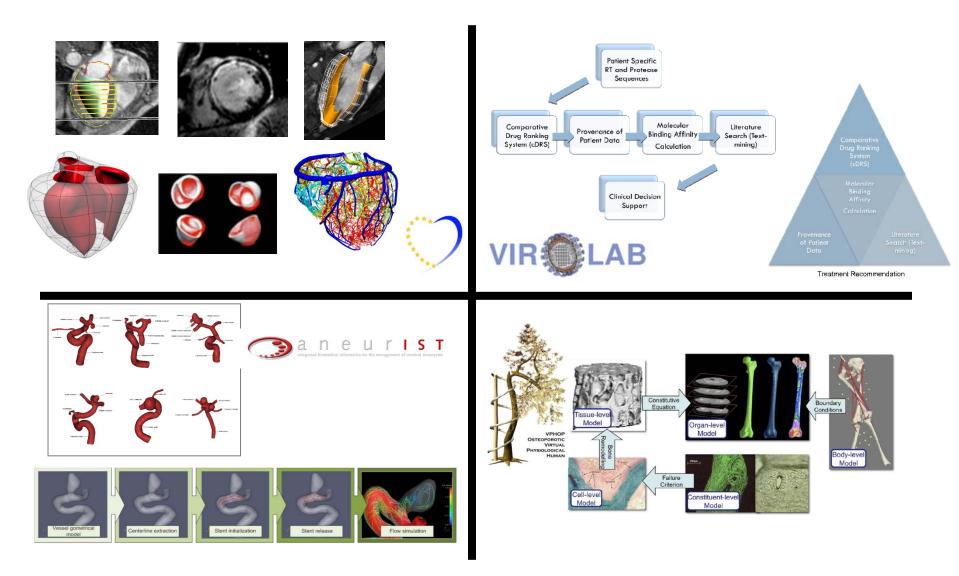
Scientific applications

- Collaborative (see: 2011 Nobel laureate Brian P. Schmidt)
- Compute- and data-intensive (4th paradigm)
- Used in dynamic scenarios experiments
- Multiscale, multiphysics
- Holistic system level science
- Various levels of coupling and composition types
- Legacy codes in many programming languages
- Science 2.0 social aspects
- Linking to publications

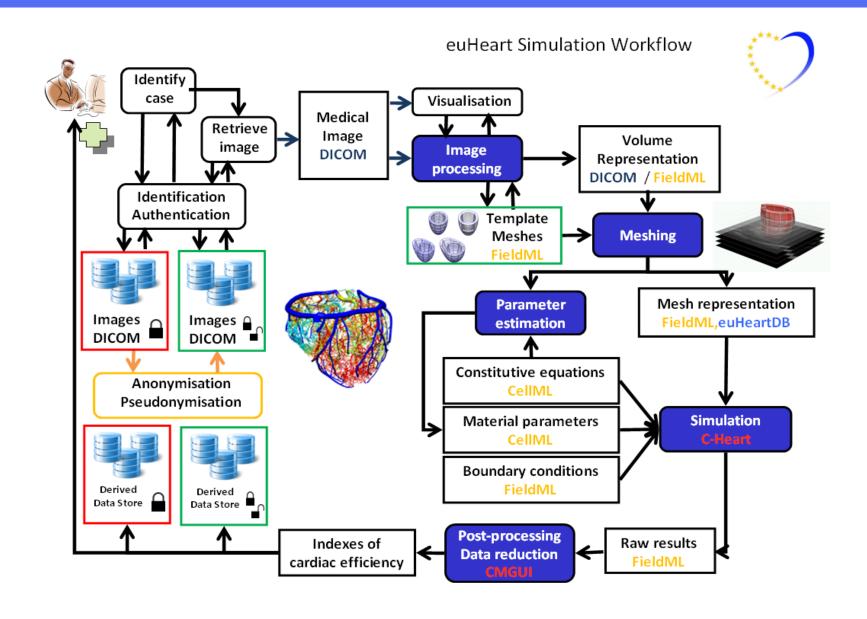
Computing infrastructures

- Distributed and heterogeneous
- Resources are shared, possibly between different organizations
- Resources may dynamically change and may be not reliable
- There is no single middleware
- Collaborations in virtual organizations can be highly dynamic

VPH – Towards Patient Avatar



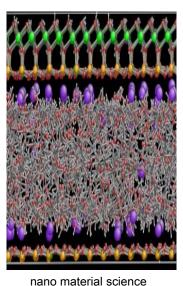
euHeart Simulation Workflow

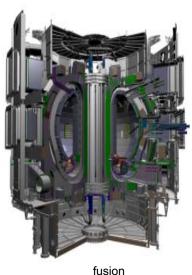


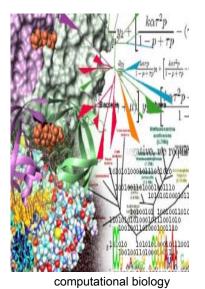
Multiscale Applications









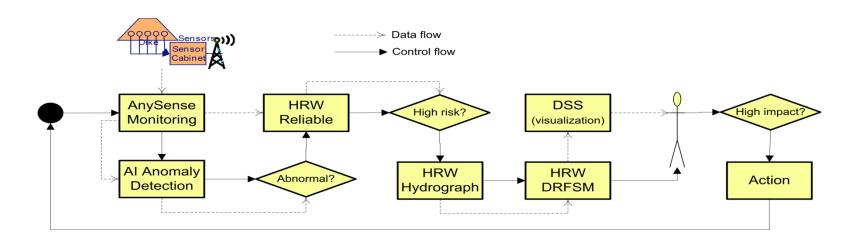


 When simulated in three dimensions, they usually require large scale computing capabilities.

 Such large scale hybrid models require a distributed computing ecosystem, where parts of the multiscale model are executed on the most appropriate computing resource.

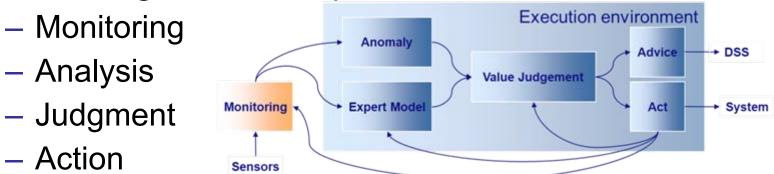
Flood Early Warning System

- Monitoring of dikes using wireless sensors
- Al-based detection of sensor signal anomalies
- Dike failure prediction
- Simulation of inundation due to failure
- Visualization and user interactions on Multitouch Tables



Early Warning Systems

- Facilitate creation, deployment and robust operation of Early Warning Systems
- Early Warning System: any system working according to four steps:



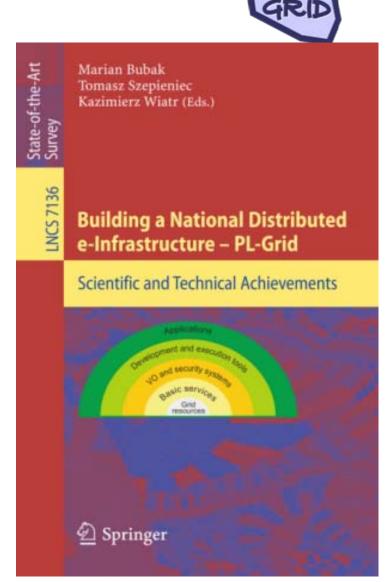
- Example: environmental monitoring
- Also: cloud infrastructure monitoring, EWS self-monitoring

B. Balis, M. Kasztelnik, M. Bubak, T. Bartynski, T. Gubala, P. Nowakowski, J. Broekhuijsen: The UrbanFlood Common Information Space for Early Warning Systems, In: Elsevier Procedia Computer Science, vol 4, pp 96-105, ICCS 2011.

Resources: eg PL-Grid, PLGrid+

- First working NGI in Europe in EGI.eu (March 2010)
- No of users (March 2012): 900+
- No jobs per month: 750 000 1 500 000
- Resources
 - Computing power: 230 TFlops
 - Storage: ca. 3600 TBytes
 - High level of availiability and realibility of the resources
- Services and tools
 - Efficient Resource Allocation
 - Experimental Workbench
 - Grid Middleware
 - Scientific Software Packages
 - User support: helpdesk system
- Various, well-performed dissemination activities

www.plgrid.pl



Spatial and Temportal Dynamics in Grids

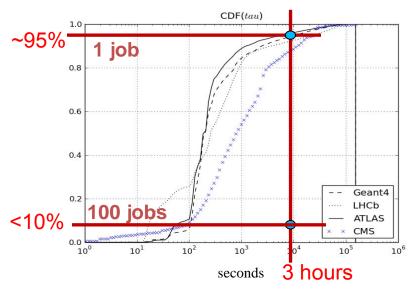
Grids increase research capabilities for science

Large-scale federation of computing and storage resources

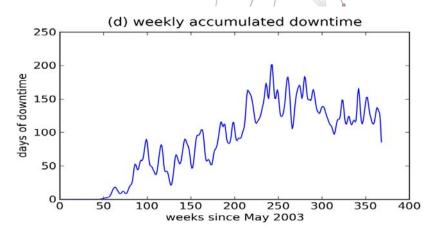
.300 sites, 60 countries, 200 Virtual Organizations

•10^5 CPUs, 20 PB data storage, 10^5 jobs daily

However operational and runtime dynamics have a negative impact on reliability and efficiency



long and unpredictable job waiting times



asynchronous and frequent failures and hardware/software upgrades

J.T.Moscicki, *Understanding and mastering dynamics in Computing Grids*, UvA PhD thesis, promoter: M. Bubak, co-promoter: P. Sloot; 12.04.2011

User-level Overlay with Late Binding Scheduling

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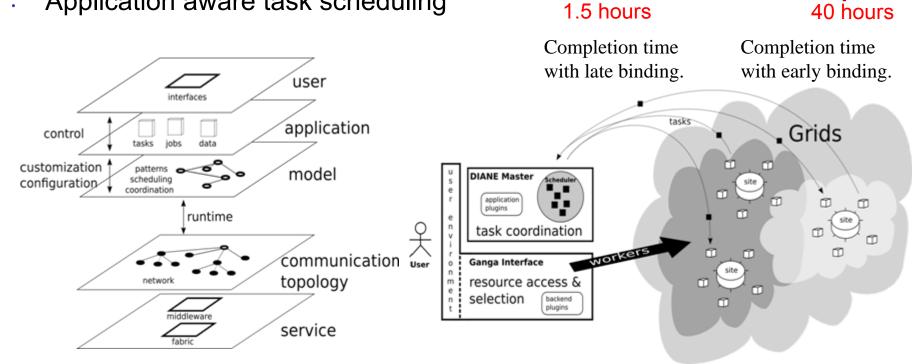
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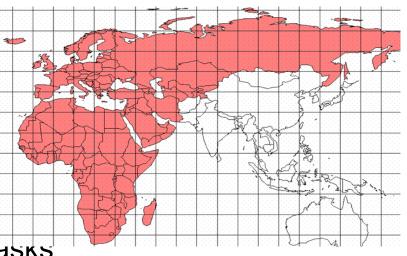
- Improved job execution characteristics
- **HTC-HPC** Interoperability
- Heuristic resource selection
- Application aware task scheduling



J.T.Moscicki, M.Lamanna, M.Bubak, P.M.A.Sloot: Processing moldable tasks on the Grid: late job binding with lightweight user-level overlay, FGCS 27(6) pp 725-736, 2011

User-level Overlay in action

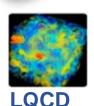
- Improved Quality of Service
- Scaling out on demand
- Short-deadline computing
- Web portal intergation
- Workflow service integration
- Autonomous processing of tasks













Geographical extent of Grid-enabled planning of









J.T.Moscicki, M.Bubak, H.C.Lee, A.Muraru, P.M.A.Sloot: Quality of Service on the Grid with User Level Scheduling, best poster award, CGW, 2007

Need of Transparent Access to DCI

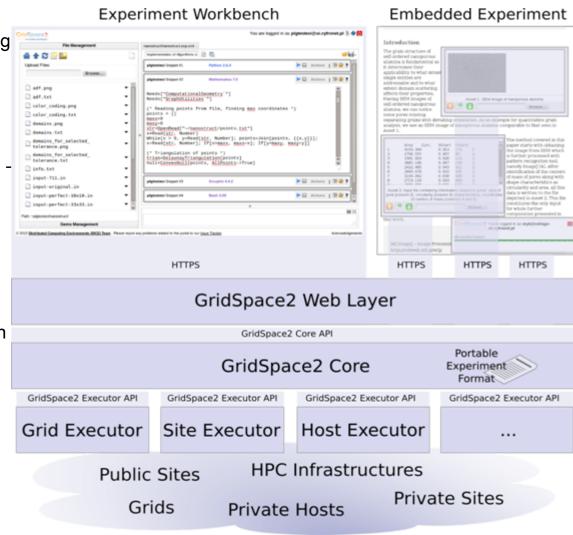
Joined taskforce between MAPPER, EGI and PRACE

- Collaborate with EGI and PRACE to introduce new capabilities and policies onto e-Infrastructures
- Deliver new application tools, problem solving environments and services to meet end-users needs



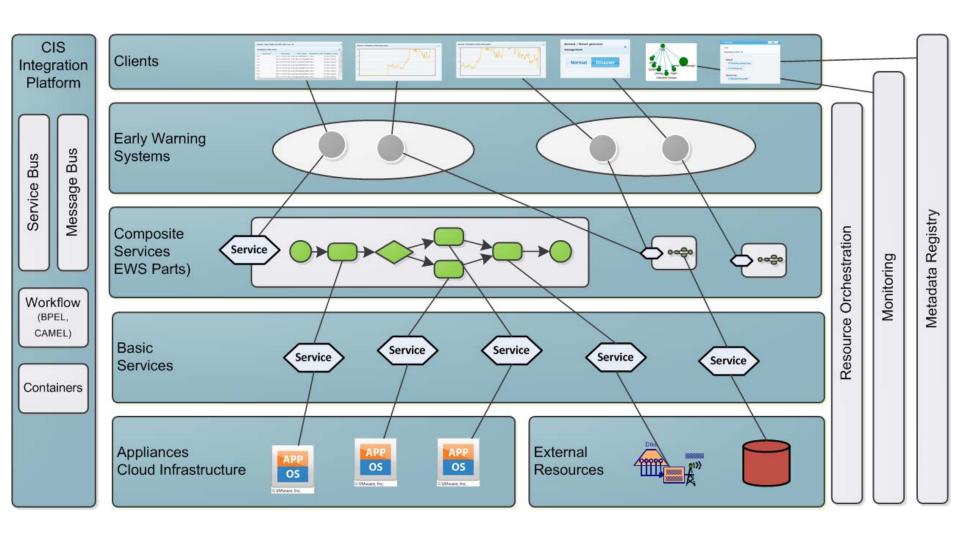
GridSpace - Platform for e-Science Applications

- Experiment: an e-science application composed of code fragments (snippets), expressed in either general-purpose scripting programming languages, domain-specific languages or purpose-specific notations.
 Each snippet is evaluated by a corresponding interpreter.
- Experiment Workbench: a web application an entry point to GridSpace. It facilitates exploratory development, execution and management of e-science experiments.
- Embedded Experiment: a published experiment embedded in a web site.
- GridSpace Core: a Java library providing an API for development, storage, management and execution of experiments. Records all available interpreters and their installations on the underlying computational resources.
- Computational Resources: servers, clusters, grids, clouds and e-infrastructures where the experiments are computed.

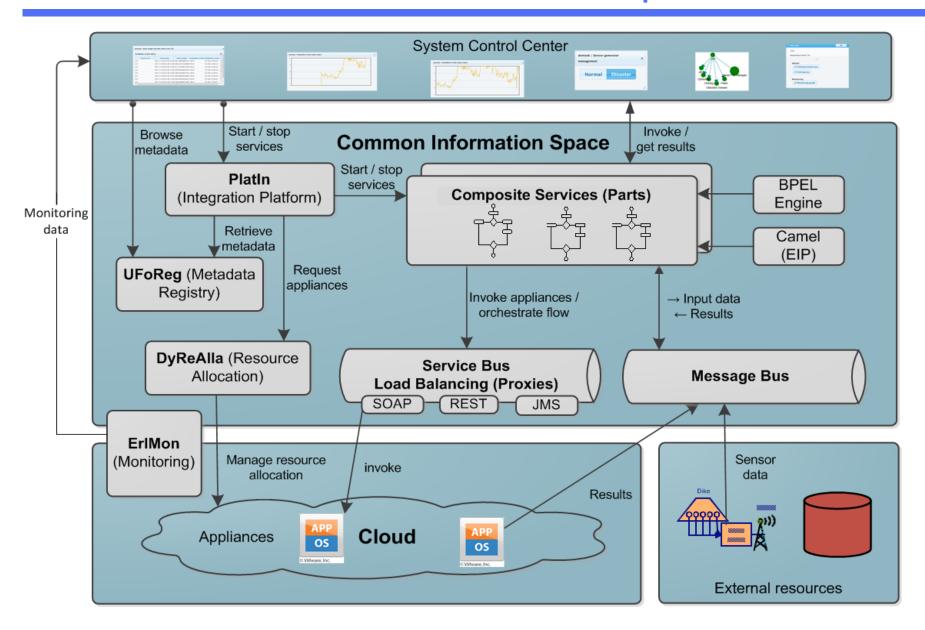


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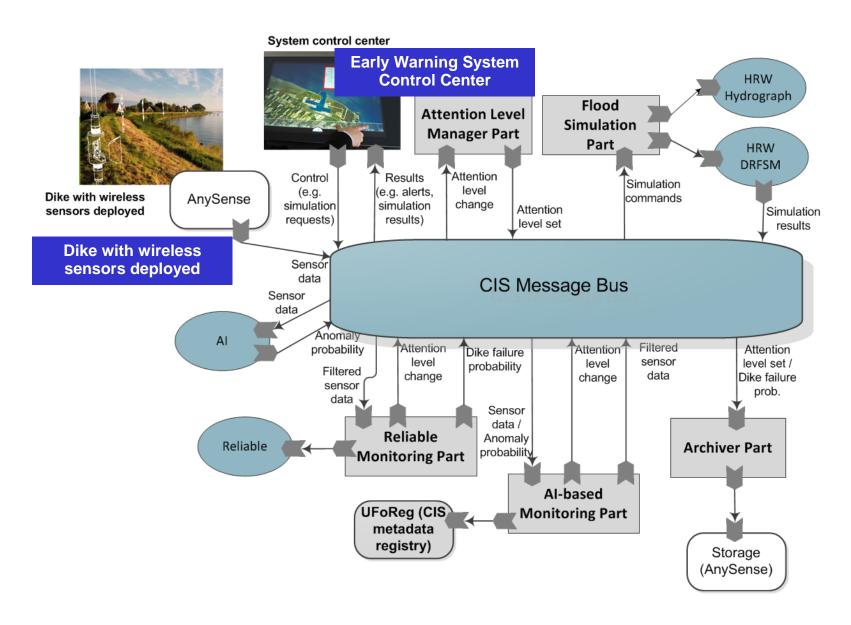
Anatomy of an Early Warning System



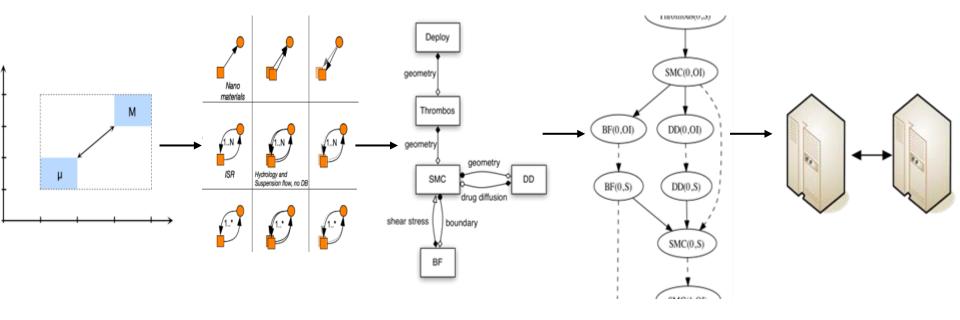
Common Information Space



Flood EWS Implemented with CIS



Generic Multiscale Computing Approach



(x)MML

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Coupling topology

SSM

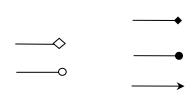
Task graph

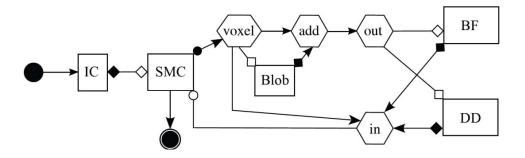
Multiscale Modeling Language

- Uniformly describes multiscale models and their computational implementation on abstract level
- Two representations: graphical (gMML), textual (xMML)
- Includes description of
 - scale submodules
 - scaleless submodules (so called mappers and filters)
 - ports and their operators (for indicating type of connections between modules)
 - coupling topology
 - implementation

Submodel execution loop in pseudocode

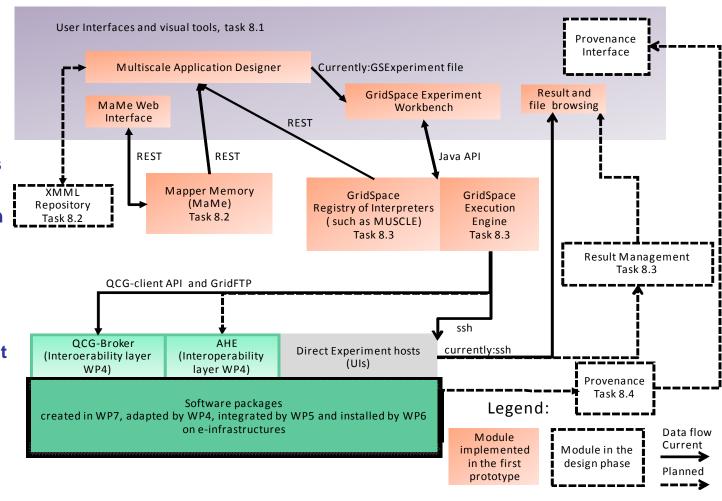
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f := finit /*initialization*/
t := 0
while not EC(f, t):
    Oi(f, t) /*intermediate observation*/
    f := S(f, t) /*solving step*/
    t += theta(f)
end
Of(f, t) /*final observation*/
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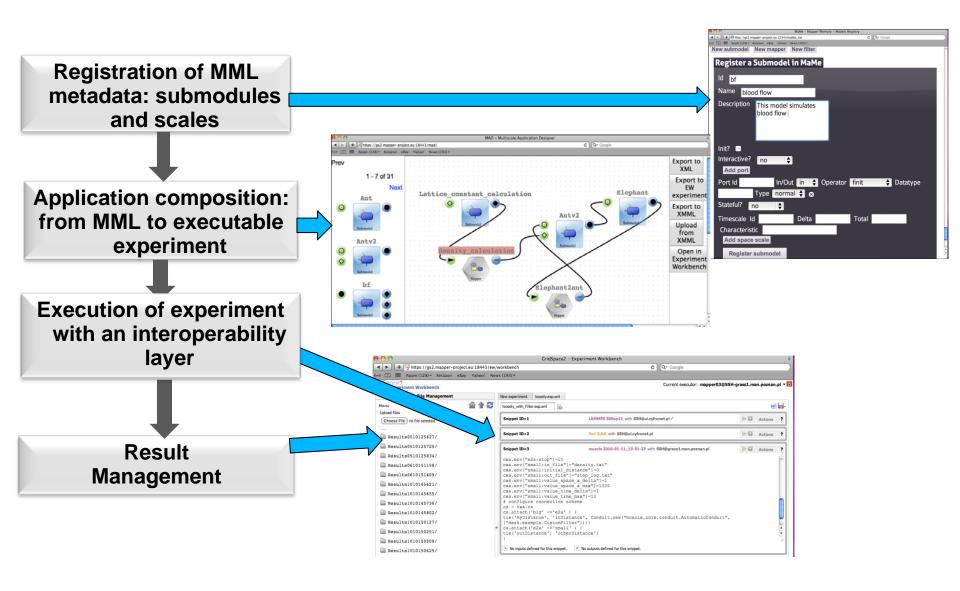
Tools for Multiscale Applications

- MAPPER Memory
 (MaMe) a semanticsaware persistence store to record metadata about models and scales
- Multiscale Application
 Designer (MAD)
 visual composition tool
 transforming high level
 MML description into
 executable experiment
- GridSpace Experiment
 Workbench (EW)
 execution and result
 management of
 experiments on e infrastructures via
 interoperability layers
 (AHE, QCG)



Katarzyna Rycerz and Marian Bubak: Building and Running Collaborative Distributed Multiscale Applications, in: W. Dubitzky, K. Kurowsky, B. Schott (Eds), Chapter 6, Large Scale Computing, J. Wiley and Sons, 2012

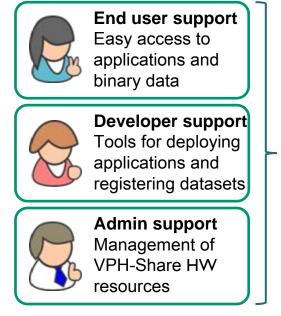
Multiscale Application Environment

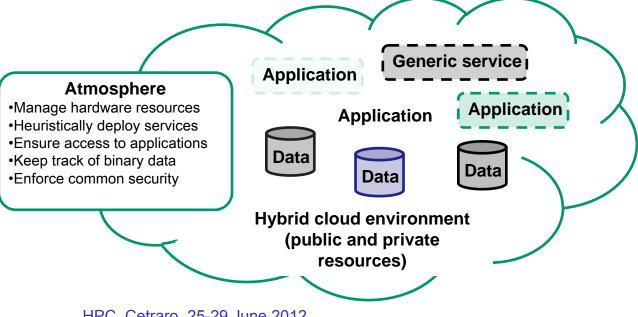


Federating Cloud Resources in the VPH-Share

The goal of the VPH-Share Cloud Computing Platform is to manage cloud/HPC resources in support of VPH-Share applications by:

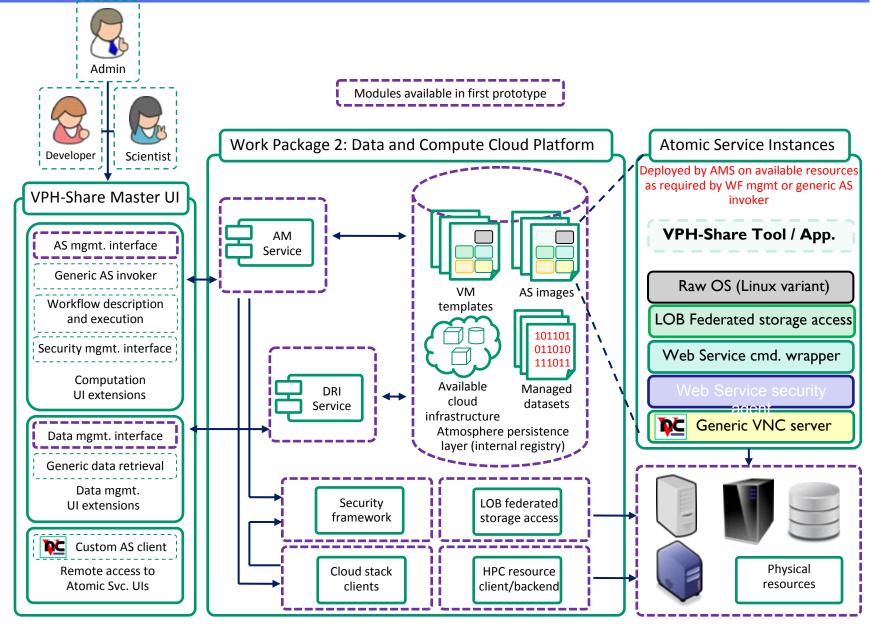
- •Providing a mechanism for **application developers** to install their applications/tools/services on the available resources;
- Providing a mechanism for end users (domain scientists) to execute workflows and/or standalone applications on the available resources with minimum fuss;
- •Providing a mechanism for **end users** (domain scientists) to securely manage their binary data in a hybrid cloud environment;
- •Providing administrative tools facilitating configuration and monitoring of the platform;





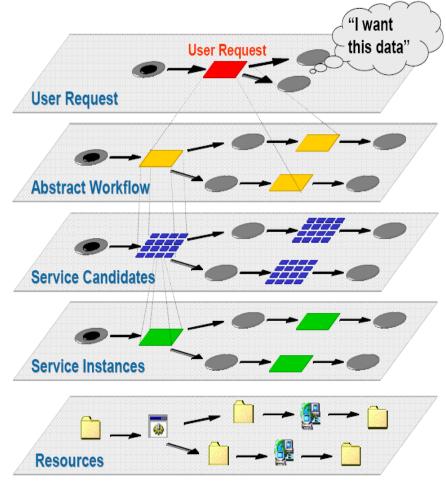
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VPH-Share Cloud Platform Architecture



Semantic Workflow Composition

- GworkflowDL language (with A. Hoheisel)
- Dynamic, ad-hoc refinement of workflows based on semantic description in ontologies
- Novelty
 - Abstract, functional blocks translated automatically into computation unit candidates (services)
 - Expansion of a single block into a subworkflow with proper concurrency and parallelism constructs (based on Petri Nets)
 - Runtime refinement: unknown or failed branches are re-constructed with different computation unit candidates



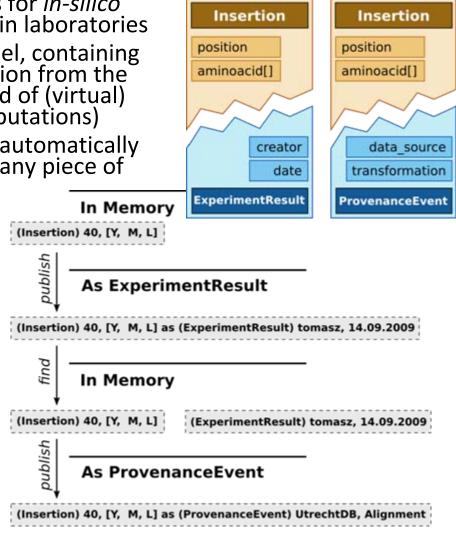
T. Gubala, D. Harezlak, M. Bubak, M. Malawski, "Semantic Composition of Scientific Workflows Based on the Petri Nets Formalism", in "The 2nd IEEE International Conference on e-Science and Grid Computing", IEEE Computer Society Press, http://doi.ieeecomputersociety.org/10.1109/E-SCIENCE.2006.127, 2006

Semantic Integration for Science Domains

- Concept of describing scientific domains for *in-silico* experimentation and collaboration within laboratories
- Based on separation of the domain model, containing concepts of the subject of experimentation from the integration model, regarding the method of (virtual) experimentation (tools, processes, computations)

 Facets defined in integration model are automatically mixed-in concepts from domain model: any piece of data may show any desired behavior

- Proposed, designed and deployed the method for 3 domains of science:
 - Computational chemistry inside InSilicoLab chemistry portal
 - Sensor processing for early warning and crisis simulation in UrbanFlood EWS
 - Processing of results of massive bioinformatic computations for protein folding method comparison
 - Composition and execution of multiscale simulations
 - Setup and management of VPH applications



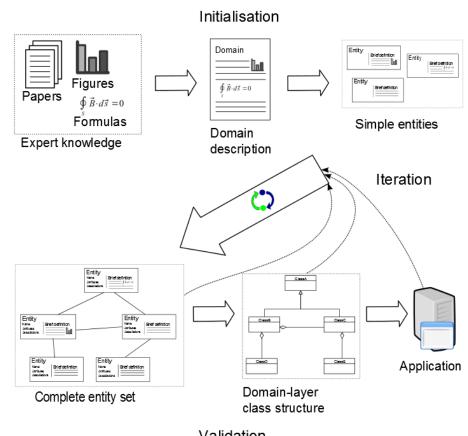
T. Gubala, M. Bubak, P.M.A. Sloot, "Semantic Integration of Collaborative Research Environments", chapter XXVI in "Handbook of Research on Computational Grid Technologies for Life Sciences, Biomedicine and Healthcare", Information Science Reference IGI Global 2009, ISBN: 978-1-60566-374-6, pages 514-530

Composition of Semantic Domain Models

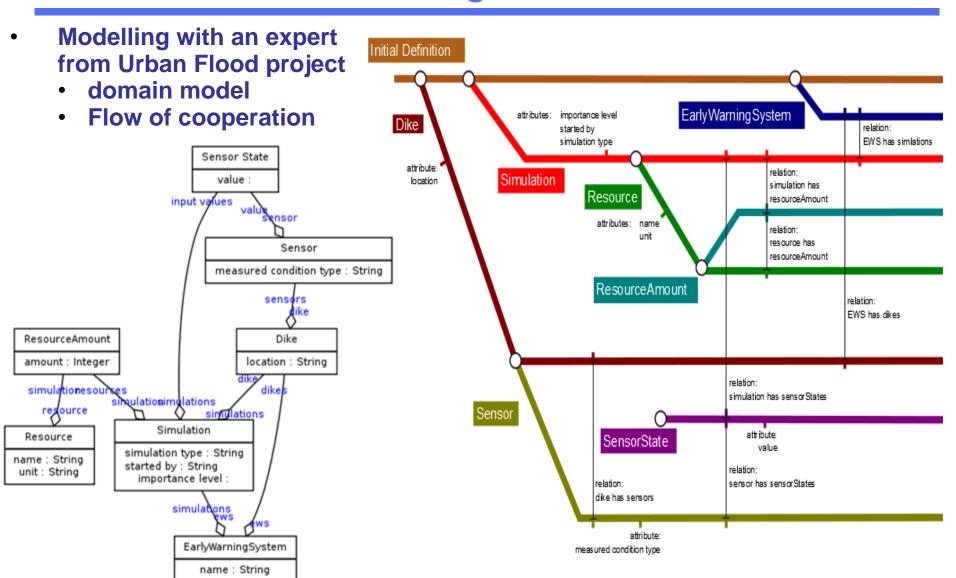
Objective: To facilitate knowledge transmission between domain experts and developers.

Solution:

- iterative methodology of cooperation
- tool that supports the methodology



Modeling of EWS

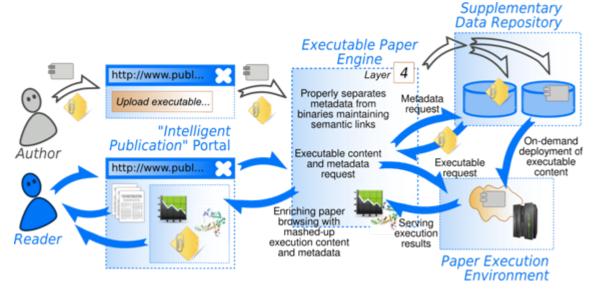


M. Rzasa, T. Gubala, M. Bubak: Methodology and Tool Supporting Cooperative Com[position of Semantic Domain Models for Experts and Developers, Software – Practice and Experience, to be submitted

Collage - Executable e-Science Publications

Goal:

Extending the traditional scientific publishing model with computational access and interactivity mechanisms; enabling readers (including reviewers) to replicate and verify experimentation results and browse large-scale result spaces.



Challenges:

Scientific: A common description schema for primary data (experimental data, algorithms, software, workflows, scripts) as part of publications; deployment mechanisms for on-demand reenactment of experiments in e-Science.

Technological: An integrated architecture for storing, annotating, publishing, referencing and reusing primary data sources.

Organizational: Provisioning of executable paper services to a large community of users representing various branches of computational science; fostering further uptake through involvement of major players in the field of scientific publishing.

P. Nowakowski, E. Ciepiela, D. Harężlak, J. Kocot, M. Kasztelnik, T. Bartyński, J. Meizner, G. Dyk, M. Malawski: *The Collage Authoring Environment*. In: Proceedings of the International Conference on Computational Science, ICCS 2011 (2011), **Winner of the Elseview/ICCS Executable Paper Grand Challenge**

Summary

- An overview of different approaches to building collaborative e-Science applications (system-level applications) on distributed e-infrastructures
- Complexity of applications and e-infrastructures
- Need for support of rapid prototyping
- Software engineering methods for scientific applications
- Commercial solutions may be adequate also for scientific applications
- Role of social aspects; developer and domain expert

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EU: UrbanFlood, MAPPER, VPH-Share

PL: PL-Grid, PL-Grid++

NL: COMMIT