

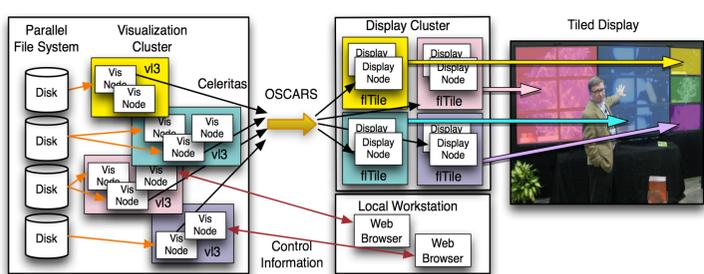
Towards Characterization of Data Movement in Large-Scale Scientific Applications



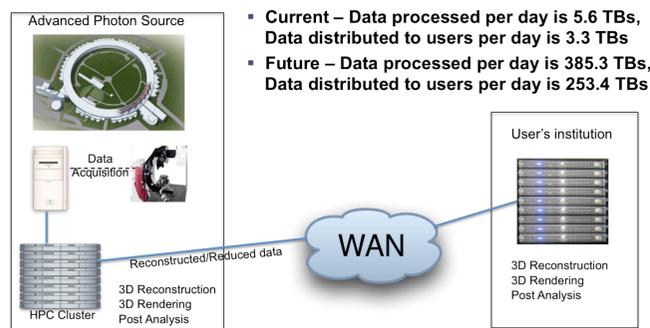
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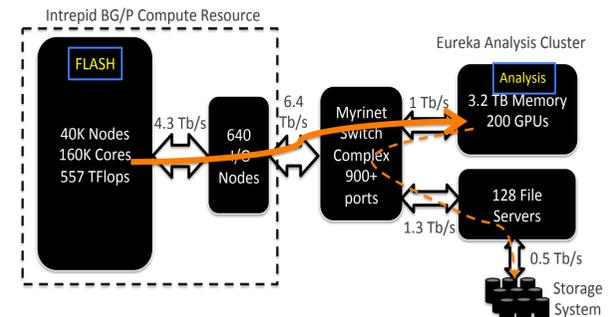
Application Characteristics



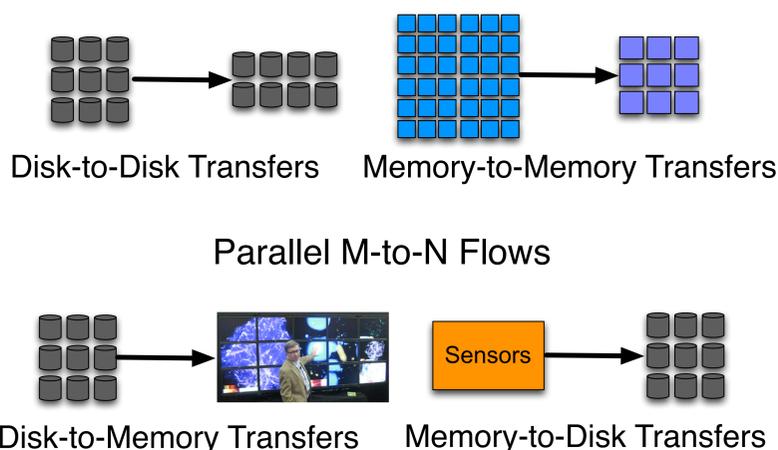
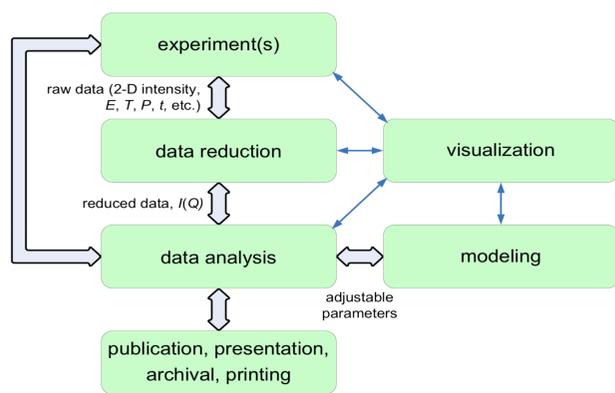
Interactive remote visualization at San Diego of Enzo Cosmology data located at Chicago over ESnet



Experimental-time analysis is critical for enabling interactive changes to experiment parameters



Simulation-time analysis of FLASH Astrophysics simulation data at the Argonne Leadership Computing Facility (ALCF)



Flow characteristics

App	Type of Flow	# of Flows	BW	Latency	Burstiness	Size	Protocol
Globus Online	Data	n per node	High	N	Y	Large	TCP, UDT
	Control	1 per session	Low	Y	Y	Small	TCP
APS	Data	1 per detector	High	N	Y	Large	TCP
	Control	1 per app	Low	Y	Y	Small	TCP
FLASH Simulation-time Analysis	Data	1 per core	High	N*	Y	Variable	TCP, RDMA
	Control	1 per app	Low	Y	Y	Small	TCP, RDMA
ENZO Remote Viz	Data	1 per display	High	Y	N	Large	TCP, UDP
	Control	1 per app	Low	Y	Y	Small	TCP

Application data flows have diverse needs, varying in characteristics including burstiness, latency, reliability, jitter, message size and priority. Parallel m-to-n flows are becoming increasingly common. Bulk data movement is moving beyond file transfers to memory-to-memory, memory-to-disk and disk-to-memory transfers. We aim to develop a framework to capture the requirements and characteristics of various science flows.

Approach

- Design concerted flows API
- Capture Application Requirements
 - Latency, jitter and bandwidth
 - Reliability and error tolerance
 - Deadline, start time, burstiness
 - Contiguous vs non-contiguous
 - Compression technique
 - M-to-N flows
- Create data transfer kernels for representative applications

