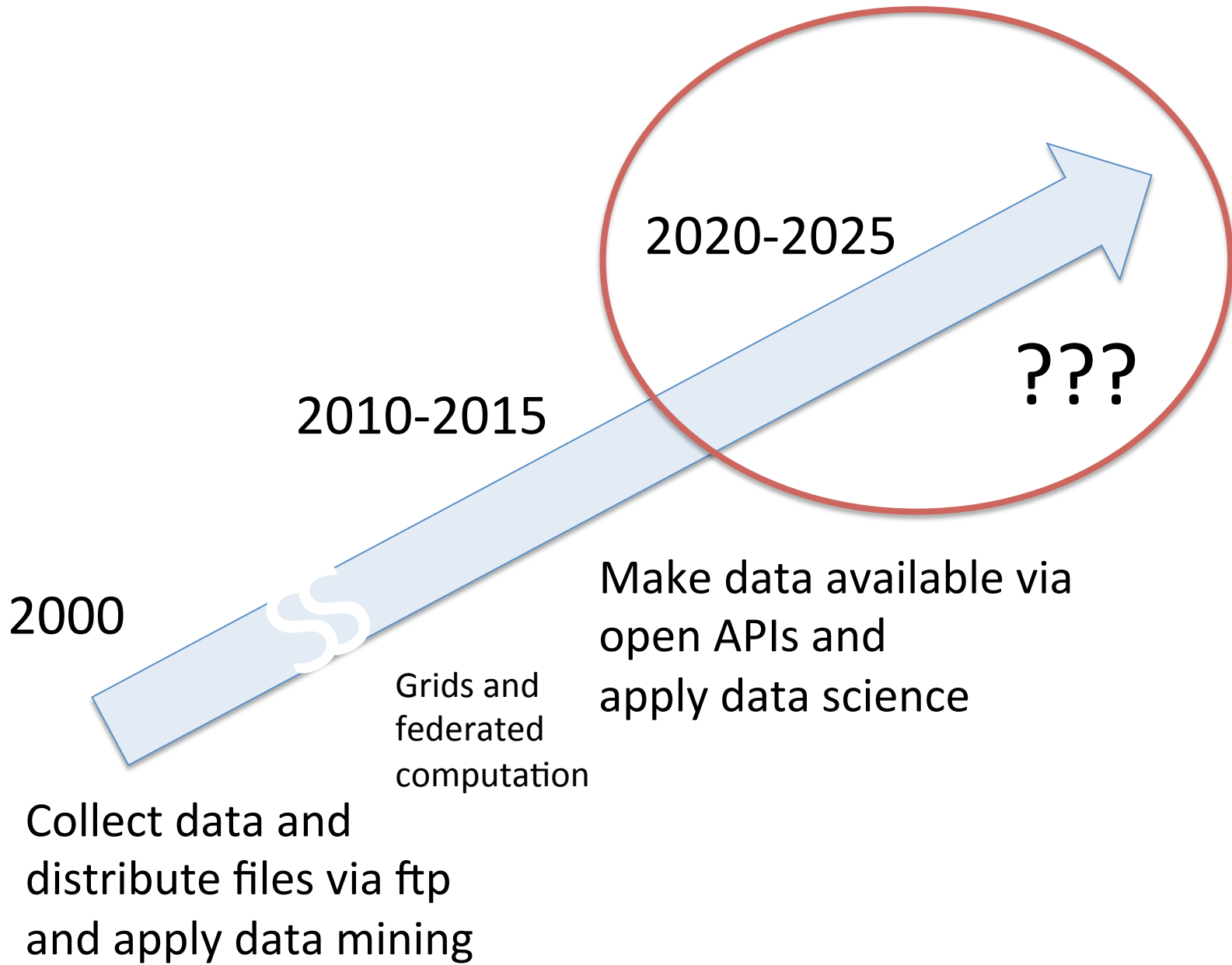




Clouds and Commons for the Data Intensive Science Community

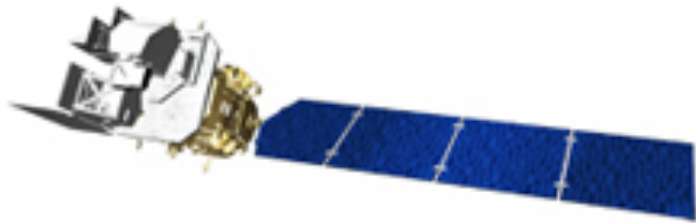
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1. Data Commons

We have a problem ...



The commoditization of sensors is creating an explosive growth of data



There is not enough funding for every researcher to house all the data they need

It can take weeks to download large geo-spatial datasets



Analyzing the data is more expensive than producing it

Data Commons



Data commons co-locate data, storage and computing infrastructure, and commonly used tools for analyzing and sharing data to create a resource for the research community.

Source: Interior of one of Google's Data Center, www.google.com/about/datacenters/

The Tragedy of the Commons



Garrett Hardin

Individuals when they act independently following their self interests can deplete a deplete a common resource, contrary to a whole group's long-term best interests.

Source: Garrett Hardin, The Tragedy of the Commons, Science, Volume 162, Number 3859, pages 1243-1248, 13 December 1968.



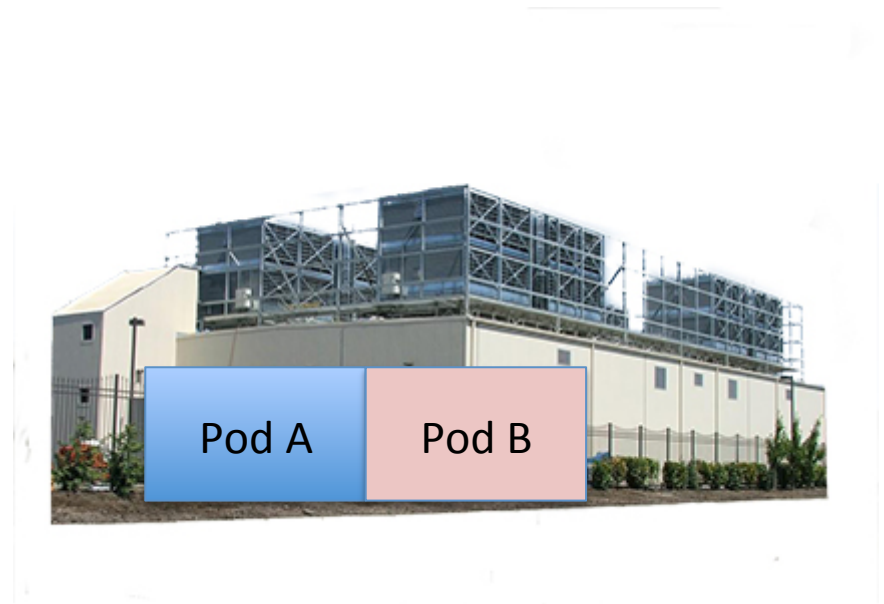
OPEN CLOUD CONSORTIUM

- U.S based not-for-profit corporation with international partners.
- Manages cloud computing infrastructure to support scientific research: Open Science Data Cloud, OCC/NASA Project Matsu, & OCC/NOAA Data Commons.
- Manages cloud computing infrastructure to support medical and health care research: Biomedical Data Commons.
- Manages cloud computing testbeds: Open Cloud Testbed.

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What Scale?

- New data centers are sometimes divided into “pods,” which can be built out as needed.
- A reasonable scale for what is needed for a commons is one of these pods (“cyberpod”)
- Let’s use the term “datapod” for the analytic infrastructure that scales to a cyberpod.
- Think of as the scale out of a database.
- Think of this as 5-40+ racks.



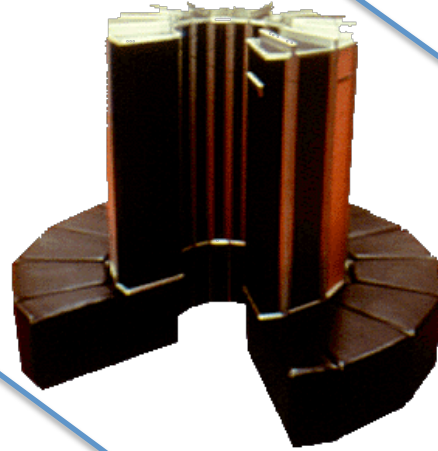


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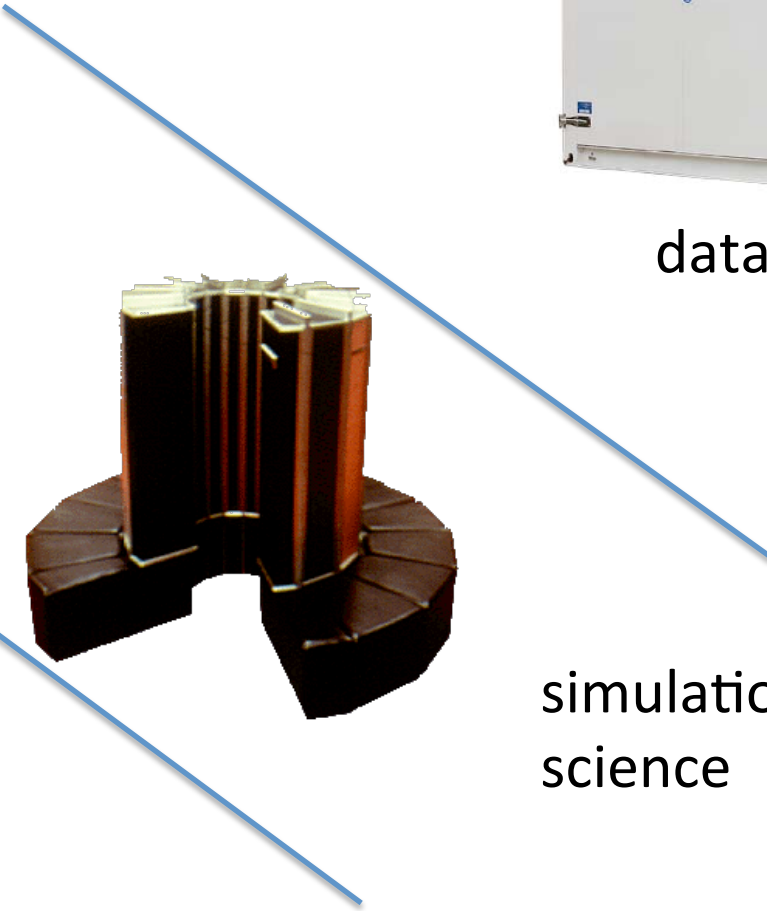
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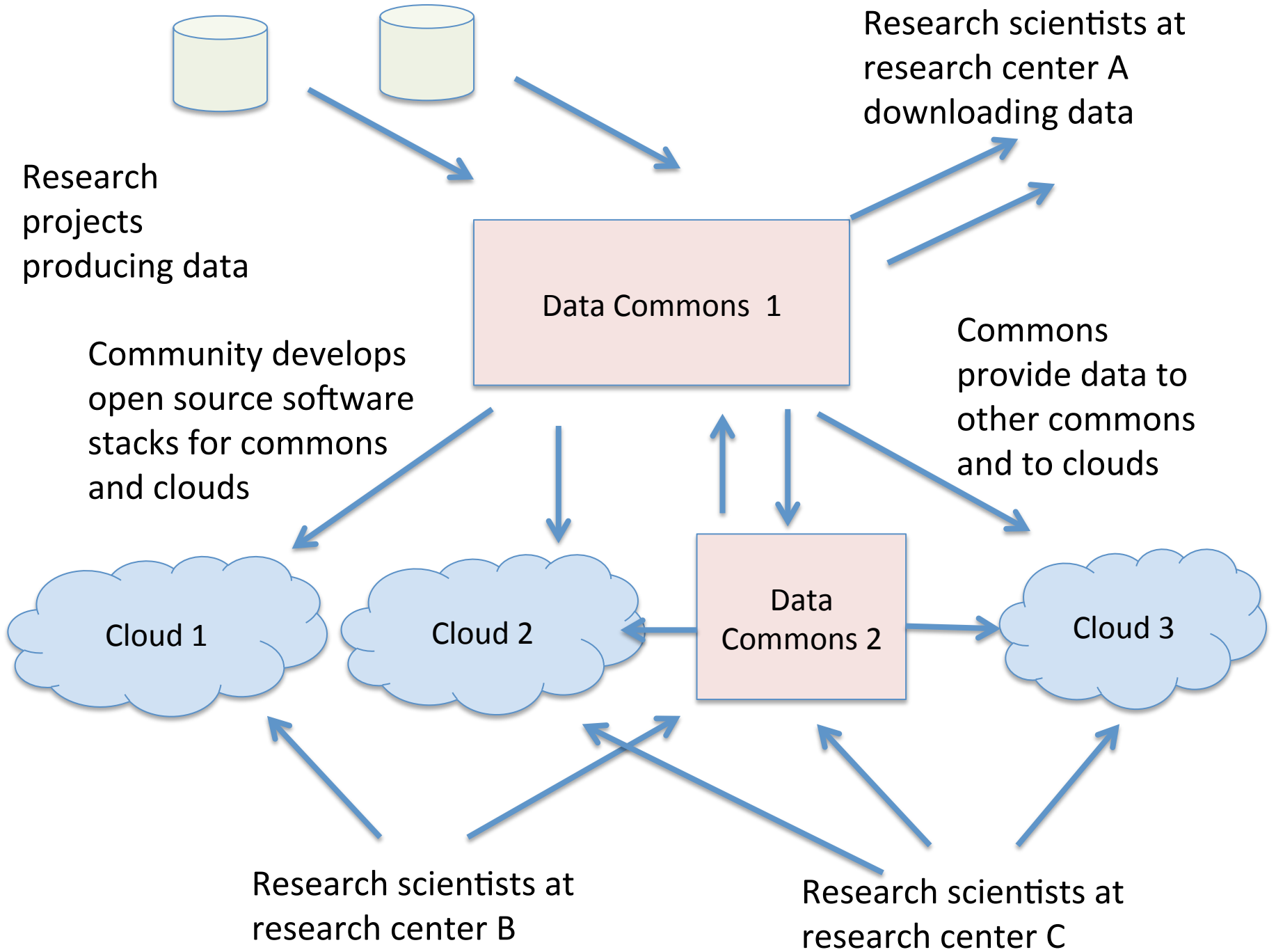
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Core Data Commons Services

- Digital IDs
- Metadata services
- High performance transport
- Data export
- Pay for compute with images/containers containing commonly used tools, applications and services, specialized for each research community





Characteristic	Colectomy		Gastrectomy	
	Patients (%)	Mortality rate (%)	Patients (%)	Mortality rate (%)
Age > 65	28,243 (58.2)	6.7*	3,482 (54.1)	2.5*
Female gender	26,257 (54.1)	4.8 [†]	2,987 (46.4)	8.4
African American	4,553 (9.4)	5.0	915 (14.2)	8.5
Medicaid	2,843 (5.9)	4.7	659 (10.2)	6.2 [‡]
IHD	7,235 (14.9)	8.6*	942 (14.6)	13.6*
Airway obstruction	1,782 (3.7)	3.7	271 (4.2)	7.0
CHD	4,335 (8.9)	16.8*	613 (9.5)	24.5*
Metastasis	5,953 (12.3)	6.6*	1,099 (17.1)	9.0
PVD	265 (0.6)	18.9*	46 (0.7)	21.7*
COPD	4,004 (8.2)	9.9*	556 (8.6)	16.4*
Diabetes	6,703 (13.8)	6.2*	975 (15.2)	9.0
Dysrhythmia	6,464 (13.3)	14.7*	987 (15.3)	22.9*
All patients	48,582 (100)	4.6	6,434 (100)	8.4

CHD indicates congestive heart disease; COPD, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease; IHD, ischemic heart disease; PVD, peripheral vascular disease.



cyber pods

memory

databases

datapods

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Complex statistical models over small data that are highly manual and update infrequently.

Simpler statistical models over large data that are highly automated and update frequently.

Is More Different? Do New Phenomena Emerge at Scale in Biomedical Data?

4 August 1972, Volume 177, Number 4047

SCIENCE

More Is Different

Broken symmetry and the nature of the hierarchical structure of science.

P. W. Anderson

The reductionist hypothesis may still be a topic for controversy among philosophers, but among the great majority of active scientists I think it is accepted without question. The workings of our minds and bodies, and of all the animate or inanimate matter of which we

planation of phenomena in terms of known fundamental laws. As always, distinctions of this kind are not unambiguous, but they are clear in most cases. Solid state physics, plasma physics, and perhaps also biology are extensive. High energy physics and a good part of nuclear physics are intensive. There is always much less intensive research going on than extensive.

less relevance they seem to have to the very real problems of the rest of science, much less to those of society.

The constructionist hypothesis breaks down when confronted with the twin difficulties of scale and complexity. The behavior of large and complex aggregates of elementary particles, it turns out, is not to be understood in terms of a simple extrapolation of the properties of a few particles. Instead, at each level of complexity entirely new properties appear, and the understanding of the new behaviors requires research which I think is as fundamental in its nature as any other. That is, it seems to me that one may array the sciences roughly linearly in a hierarchy, according to the idea: The elementary entities of science X obey the laws of science Y.

X	Y
solid state or many-body physics	elementary particle physics

2. OCC Data Commons



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OCC-NASA Collaboration 2009 - present



NOAA Big Data Project

The Big Data Project is an innovative approach to publishing NOAA's vast data resources and positioning them near cost-efficient high performance computing, analytic, and storage services provided by the private sector. This collaboration combines three powerful resources - NOAA's tremendous volume of high quality environmental data and advanced data products, private industry's vast infrastructure and technical capacity, and the American economy's innovation and energy - to create a sustainable, market-driven ecosystem that lowers the cost barrier to data publication. This project will create a new economic space for growth and job creation while providing the public far greater access to the data created with its tax dollars.

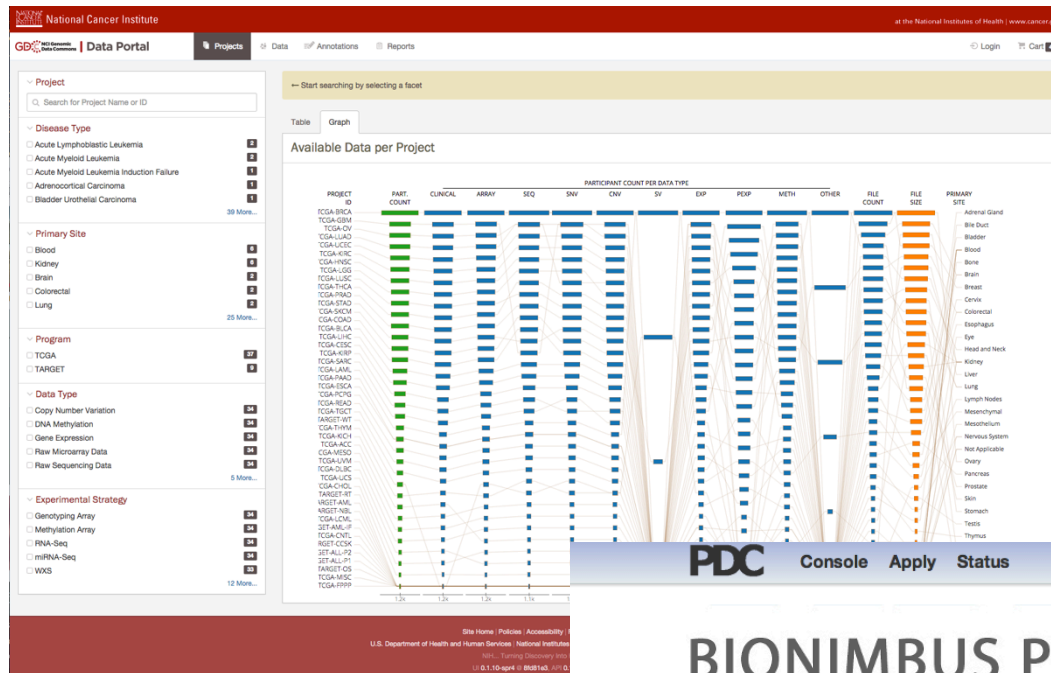
How To Participate

For companies, organizations, and individuals interested in joining with NOAA's Big Data Project, a set of Data Alliances are being formed. Each Data Alliance is anchored by a participating Infrastructure as a Service (IaaS) institution, and represents a market ecosystem consisting of larger companies that represent various economic sectors, such as the weather or insurance industries, specialized small business, value-added resellers, entrepreneurs, researchers and non-profits, etc. The Data Alliance structure allows market forces to act on the identification, extraction, and development of NOAA public data resources, and provides a mechanism for interested parties to work together to develop new business and research opportunities. The organizations comprising the ecosystem built around a particular anchor IaaS provider are free to participate in multiple Data Alliances.

For more information, visit one of the NOAA Big Data Collaborators:



- Public-private data collaborative announced April 21, 2015 by US Secretary of Commerce Pritzker.
- AWS, Google, IBM, Microsoft and Open Cloud Consortium will form five collaborations.
- We will develop an OCC/NOAA Data Commons.



University of Chicago biomedical data commons developed in collaboration with the OCC.

BIONIMBUS PROTECTED DATA CLOUD

Secure cloud services for the scientific community

What is the Bionimbus PDC?

The Bionimbus Protected Data Cloud (PDC) is a collaboration between the Open Science Data Cloud (OSDC) and the IGSB (IGSB), the Center for Research Informatics (CRI), the Institute for Translational Medicine (ITM), and the University of Chicago Comprehensive Cancer Center (UCCCC). The PDC allows users authorized by NIH to compute over human genomic data from dbGaP in a secure compliant fashion. Currently, selected datasets from the The Cancer Genome Atlas (TCGA) are available in the PDC.

How can I get involved?

- Apply for an Bionimbus PDC account and use the Bionimbus PDC to manage, analyze and share your data.
- Partner with us and add your own racks to the Bionimbus PDC (we will manage them for you).
- Help us develop the open source Bionimbus PDC software stack.

You can contact us at info@opencloudconsortium.org.

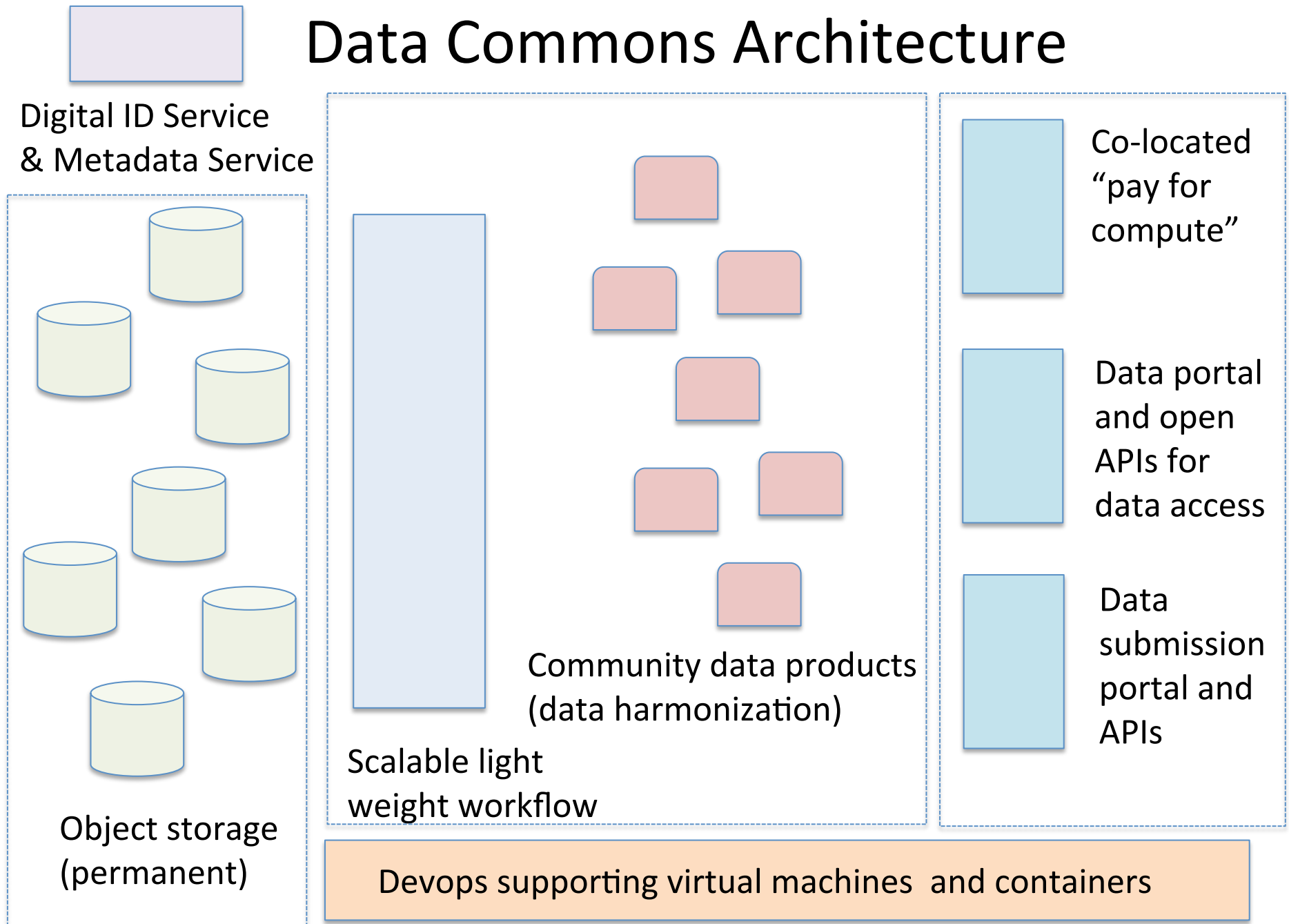
How do I get started?

First, apply for an account. Once your account is approved, you can login to the console and get started. Support questions can be directed to support@opencloudconsortium.org.

[Apply for the PDC Now](#)

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Data Commons Architecture



3. Scanning Queries over Commons and the Matsu Wheel

What is the Project Matsu?

Matsu is an open source project for processing satellite imagery to support earth sciences researchers using a data commons.

Matsu is a joint project between the Open Cloud Consortium and NASA's EO-1 Mission (Dan Mandl, Lead)



All available L1G images (2010-now)



NASA's Matsu Mashup

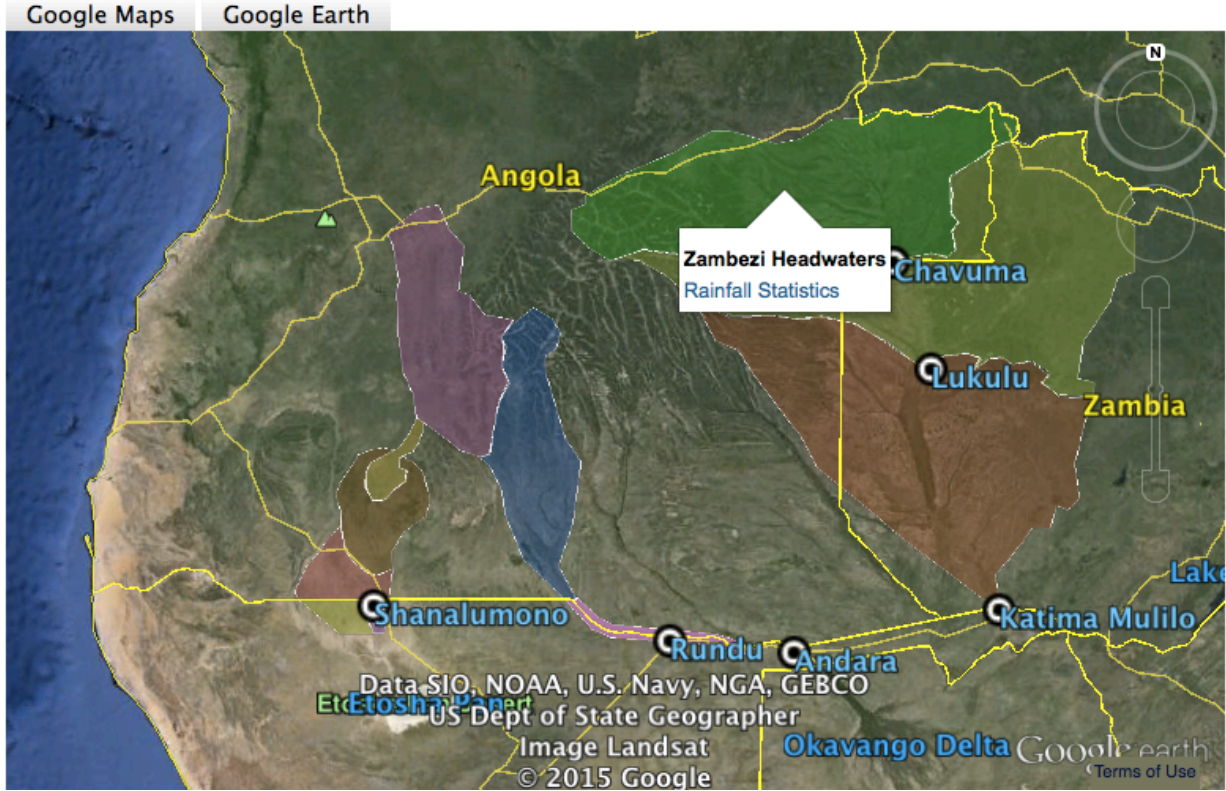
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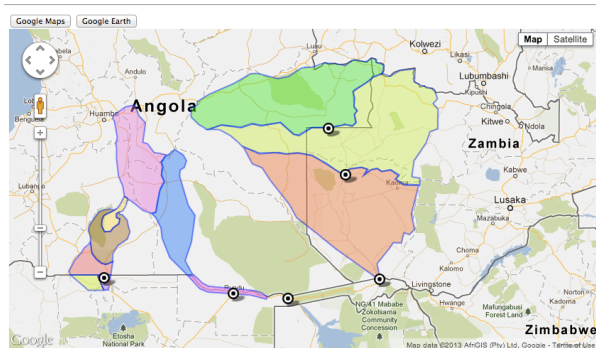
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Namibia Flood Dashboard

[New Bulletin](#) [View Current Bulletin](#) [View Bulletin Records](#)

- ≡ SensorWeb Layers
- ≡ Water Lines and Areas
- ≡ Satellite Overlays
- ≡ Ground Pics
- ≡ Kavango Radarsat Data
- ≡ Cuvelai Radarsat Data
- ≡ TRMM Rainfall Accumulation and Flood Forecast
- ≡ Global Scene Counts





Legend:

ALI Flood Classification	Class 1 - Background:	Class 2 - Opaque Clouds:	Class 3 - Cloud Shadow:	Class 4 - Haze and Thin Clouds:	Class 5 - Clear Water:	Class 6 - Turbid Water:	Class 7 - Dry Land:

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You can learn more from these [five minute videos](#) introducing some Matsu tools.

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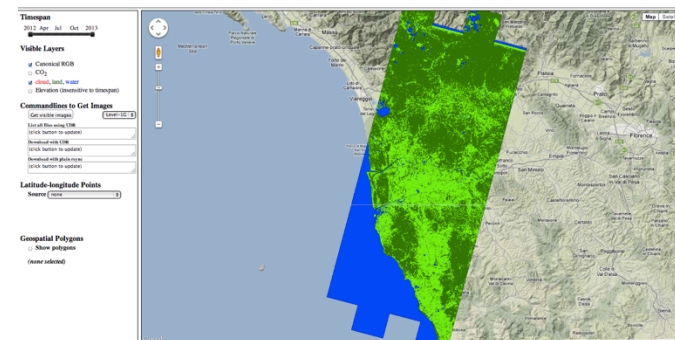
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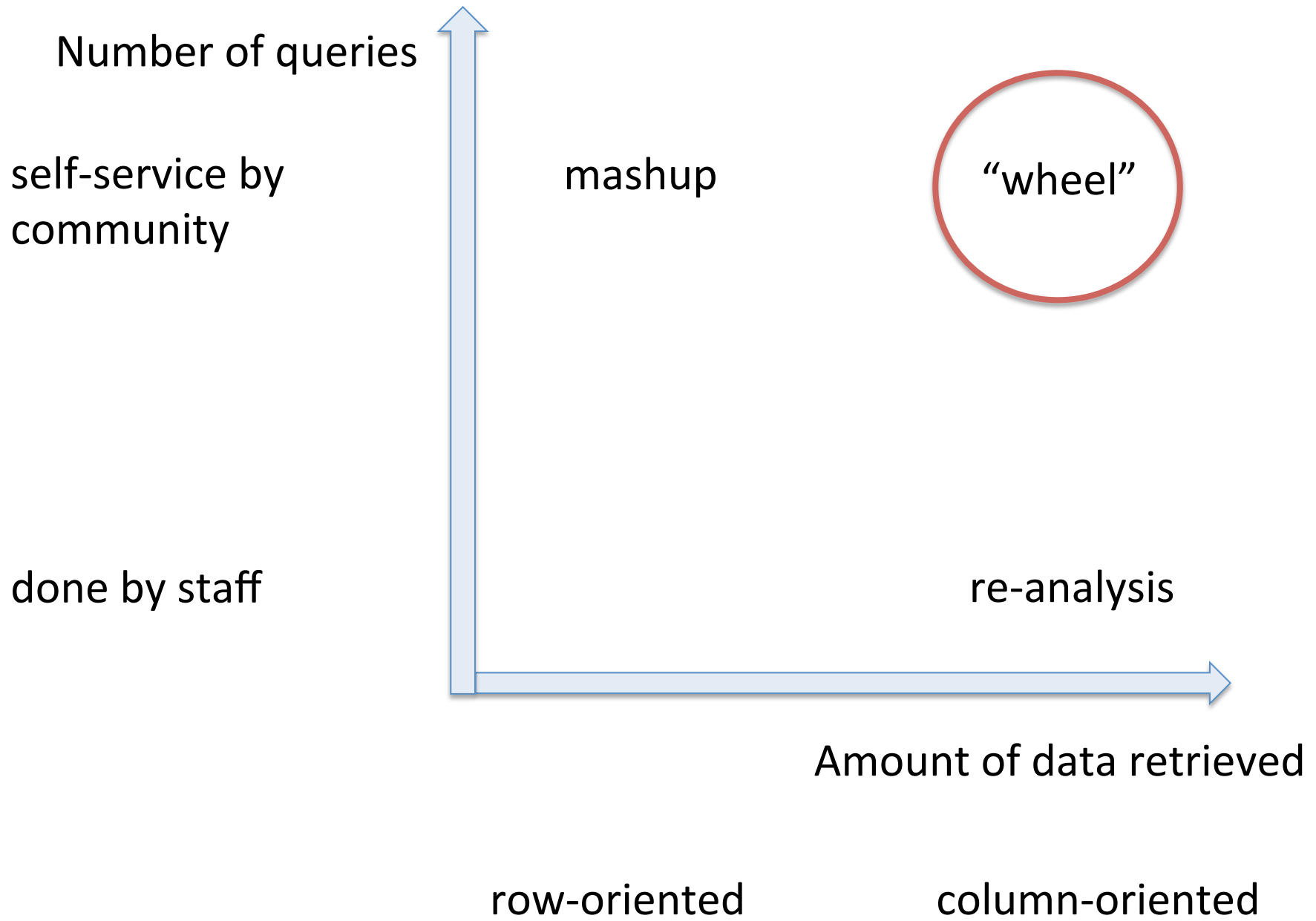
- The code can be found at the [OCC GitHub site](#).
- Description of Matsu Tile and WMS Services.

1. Open Science Data Cloud (OSDC) stores Level 0 data from EO-1 and uses an OpenStack-based cloud to create Level 1 data.

2. OSDC also provides OpenStack resources for the Namibia Flood Dashboard developed by Dan Mandl's team.



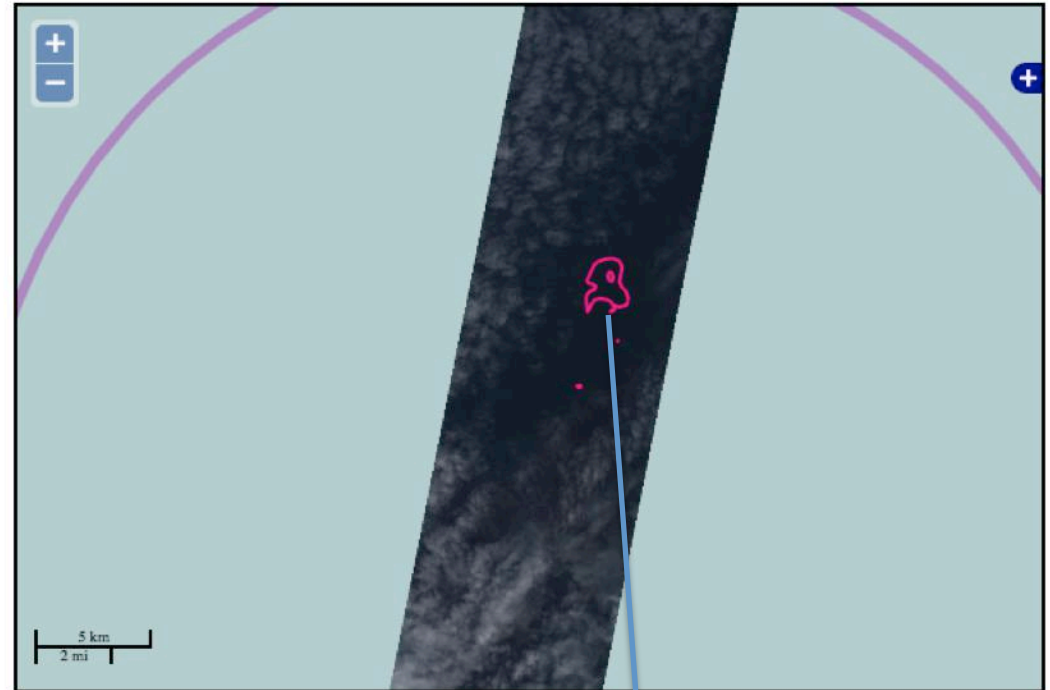
3. Project Matsu uses a Hadoop applications to run analytics nightly and to create tiles with OGC-compliant WMTS.



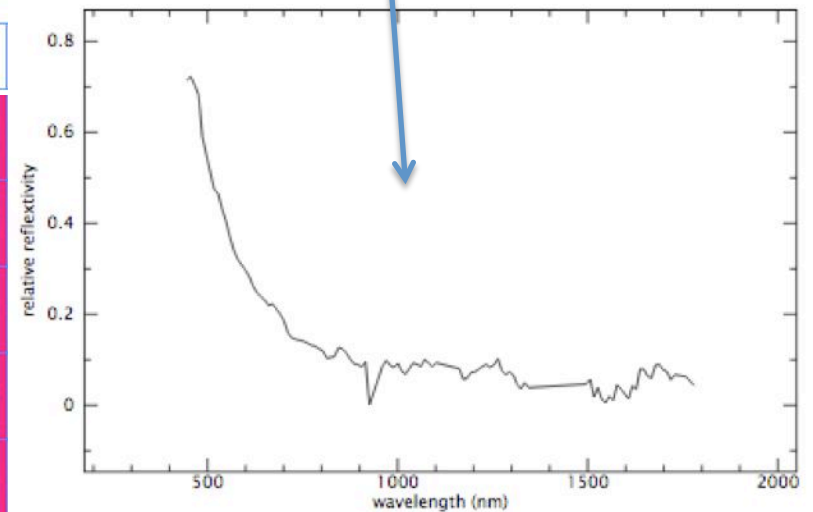
Spectral anomaly detected: Nishinoshima active volcano, Dec, 2014

Matsu Analytic Image Report

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Data Ingest	populateHDFS-2013-11-r1
Report Format	reportContoursR4
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Number of Bands	242



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4. Data Peering for Research Data

Hierarchy of the Global Internet

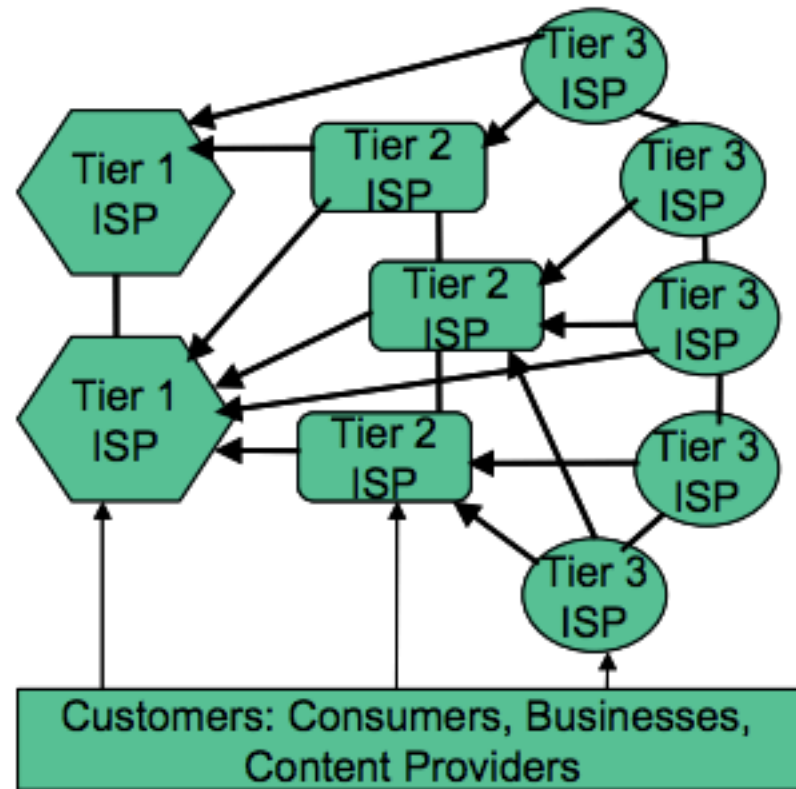
Peering is done between equivalent-sized partners (tier 3 to tier 3).

Transit or fee-based peering is done where there are unequal traffic flows (tier 2 to tier 1).

Peering and transit arrangements may be established directly or at third-party exchange points.

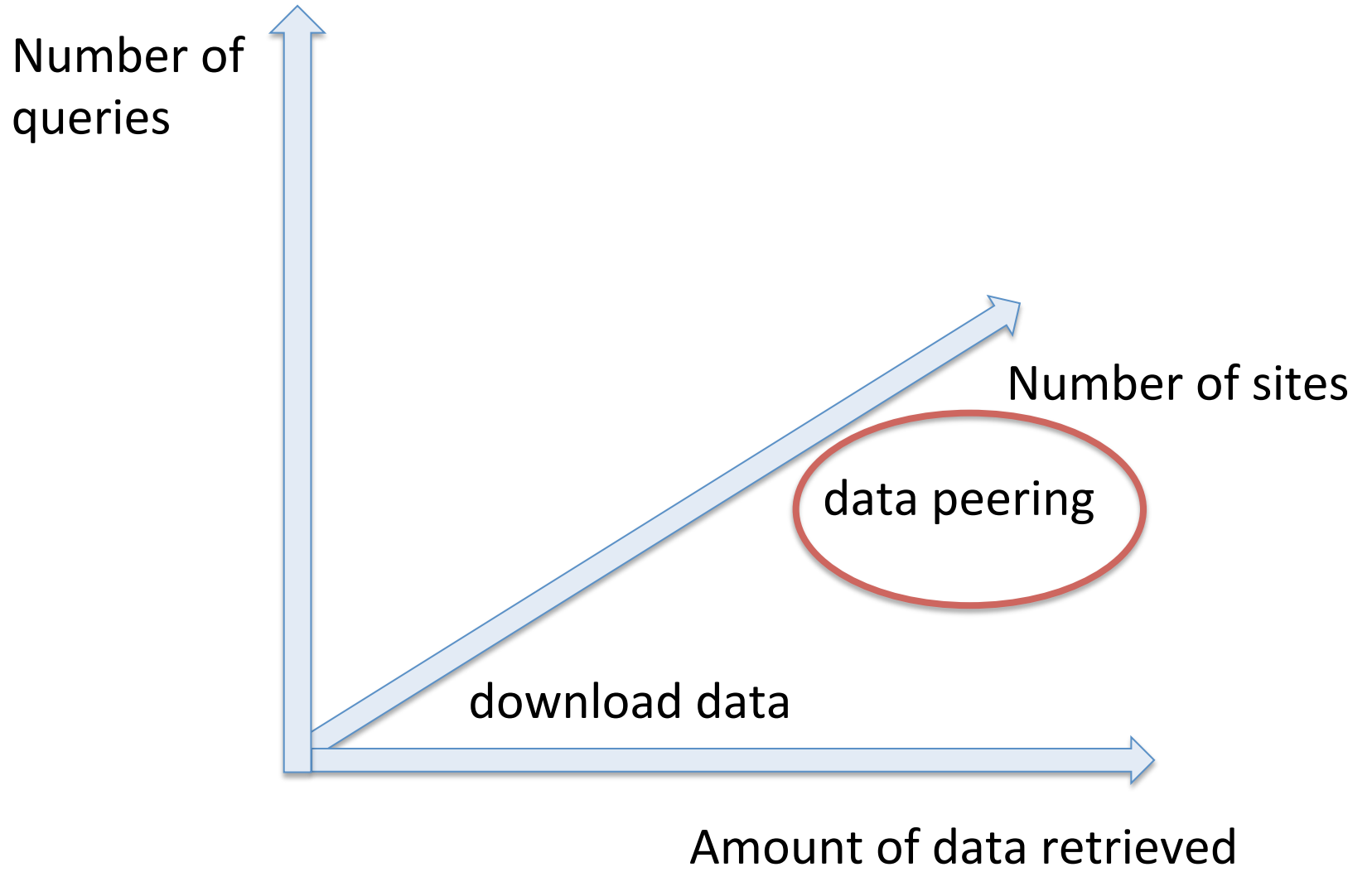
Many ISPs have multihoming where they connect to more than one upstream provider for diversity and reach.

Customers can connect to any ISP.

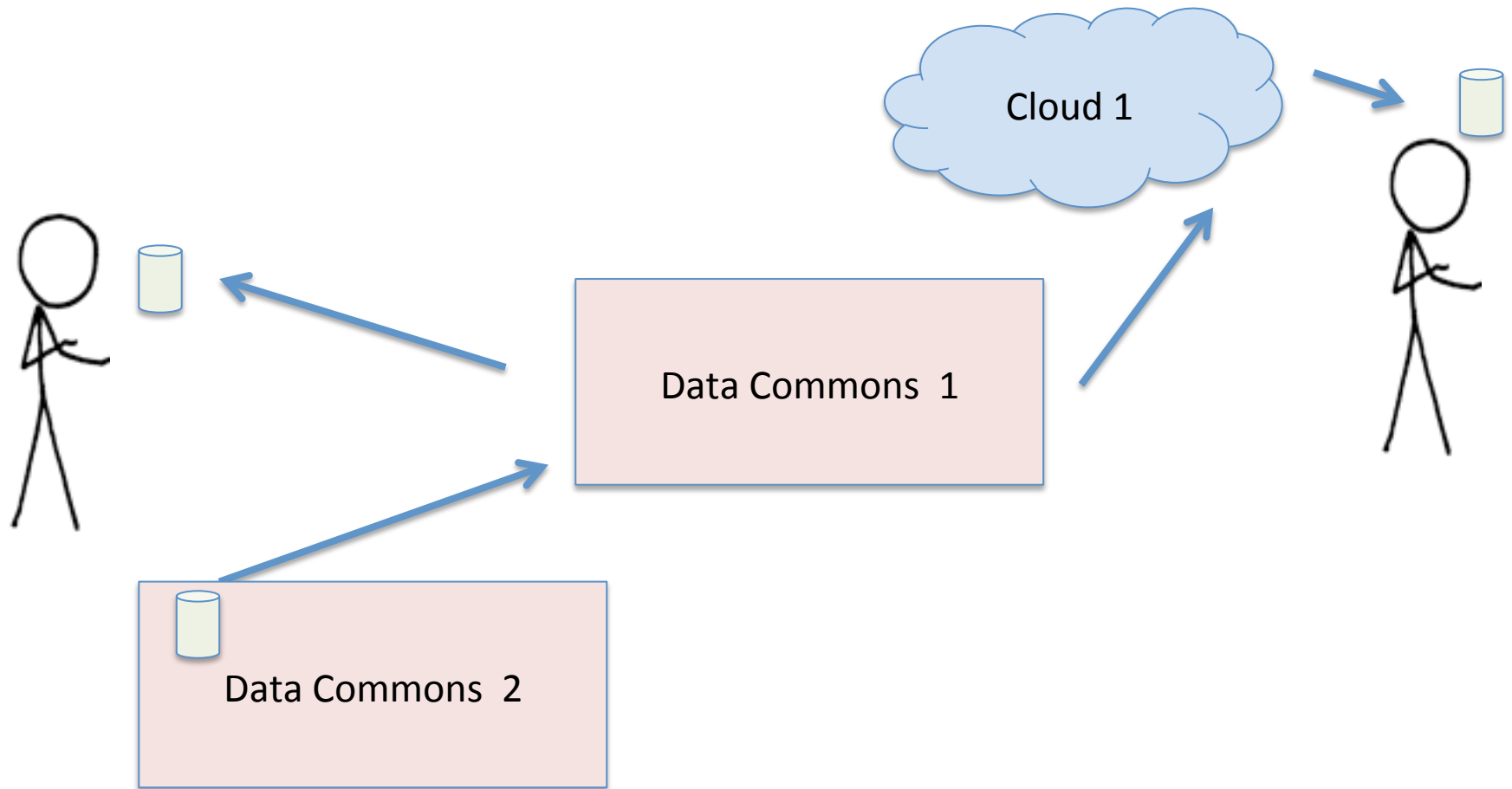


Source: IDC, 2006

Tier 1 ISPs “Created” the Internet



Data Peering



- Tier 1 Commons exchange data for the research community at no charge.

Three Requirements for Data Peering Between Data Commons

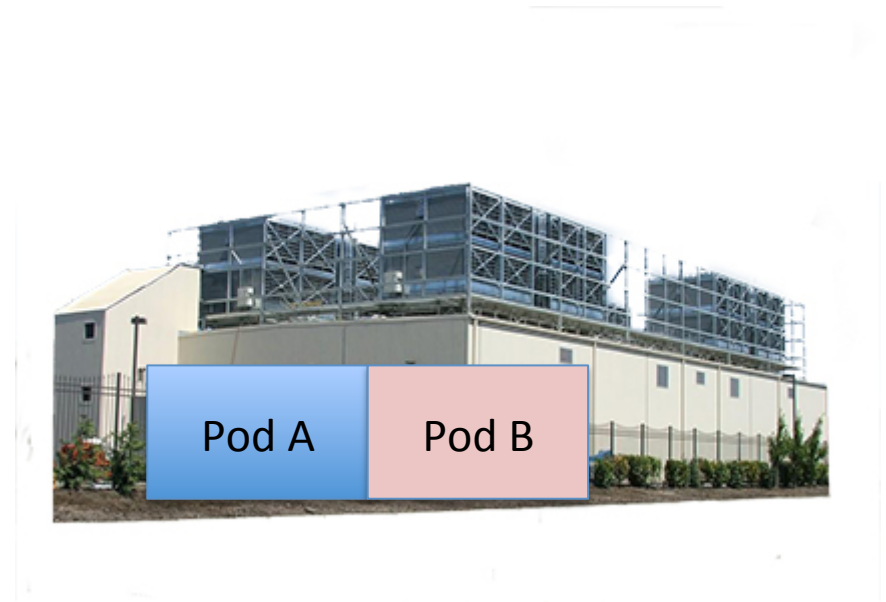
Two Research Data Commons with a Tier 1 data peering relationship agree as follows:

1. To transfer research data between them at no cost beyond the fixed cost of a cross-connect.
2. To peer with at least two other Tier 1 Research Data Commons at 10 Gbps or higher.
3. To support Digital IDs (of a form to be determined by mutual agreement) so that a researcher using infrastructure associated with one Tier 1 Research Data Commons can access data transparently from any of the Tier 1 Research Data Commons that holds the desired data.

5. Requirements and Challenges for Data Commons

Cyber Pods

- New data centers are sometimes divided into “pods,” which can be built out as needed.
- A reasonable scale for what is needed for biomedical clouds and commons is one (or more) of these pods.
- Let’s use the term “cyber pod” for a portion of a data center whose cyber infrastructure is dedicated to a particular project.



The 5P Requirements

- **P**ermanent objects
- Software stacks that scale to cyber **P**ods
- Data **P**eering
- **P**ortable data
- Support for **P**ay for compute

Requirement 1: Permanent Secure Objects

- How do I assign Digital IDs and key metadata to open access and “controlled access” data objects and collections of data objects to support distributed computation of large datasets by communities of researchers?
 - Metadata may be both public and controlled access
 - Objects must be secure
- Think of this as a “dns for data.”
- The test: One Commons serving the cancer community can transfer 1 PB of BAM files to another Commons and no bioinformaticians need to change their code

Requirement 2: Software stacks that scale to cyber **P**ods

- How can I add a rack of computing/storage/networking equipment to a *cyber pod* (that has a manifest) so that
 - After attaching to power
 - After attaching to network
 - No other manual configuration is required
 - The data services can make use of the additional infrastructure
 - The compute services can make use of the additional infrastructure
- In other words, we need an open source software stack that scales to cyber pods.
- Think of data services that scale to cyber pods as “datapods.”

Core Services for a Biomedical Cloud

- On demand compute, either virtual machines or containers
- Access to data from commons or other cloud

Core Services for a Biomedical Data Commons

- Digital ID Service
- Metadata Service
- Object-based Storage (e.g. S3 compliant)
- Light weight work flow that scales to a pod
- Pay as you go compute environments

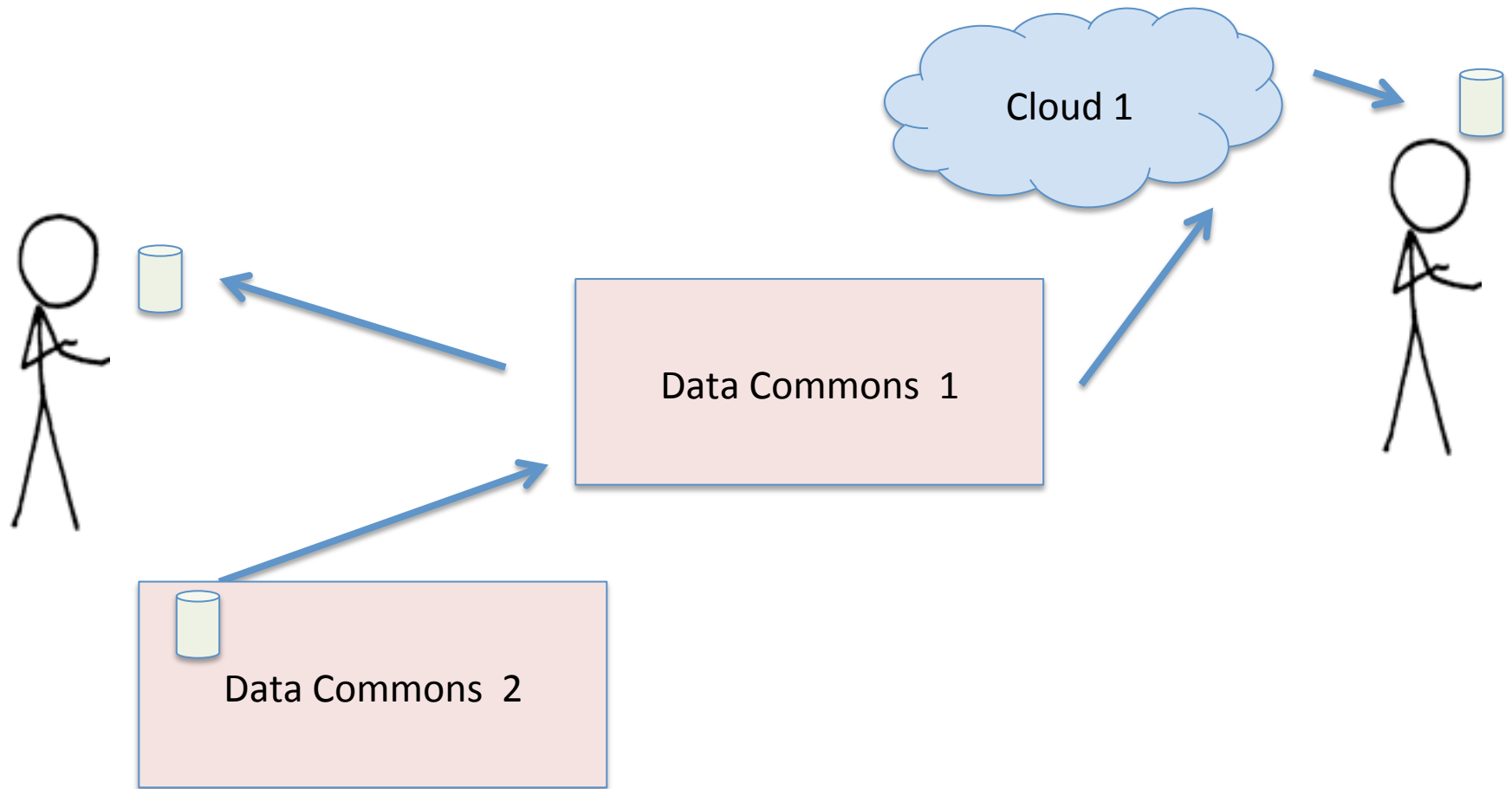
Common Services

- Authentication that uses InCommon or similar federation
- Authorization from third party (DACO, dbGAP)
- Access controls
- Infrastructure monitoring
- Infrastructure automation framework
- Security and compliance that scales
- Accounting and billing

Requirement 3: Data Peering

- How can a critical mass of data commons support data peering so that a research at one of the commons can transparently access data managed by one of the other commons
 - We need to access data independent of where it is stored
 - “Tier 1 data commons” need to pass research data and other community data at no cost
 - We need to be able to transport large data efficiently “end to end” between commons

Data Peering



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Requirement 4: Data Portability



Health Records Apps

Blue Button® Connector

A Way to Help You Find Your Health Data

Get Started

What is Blue Button?

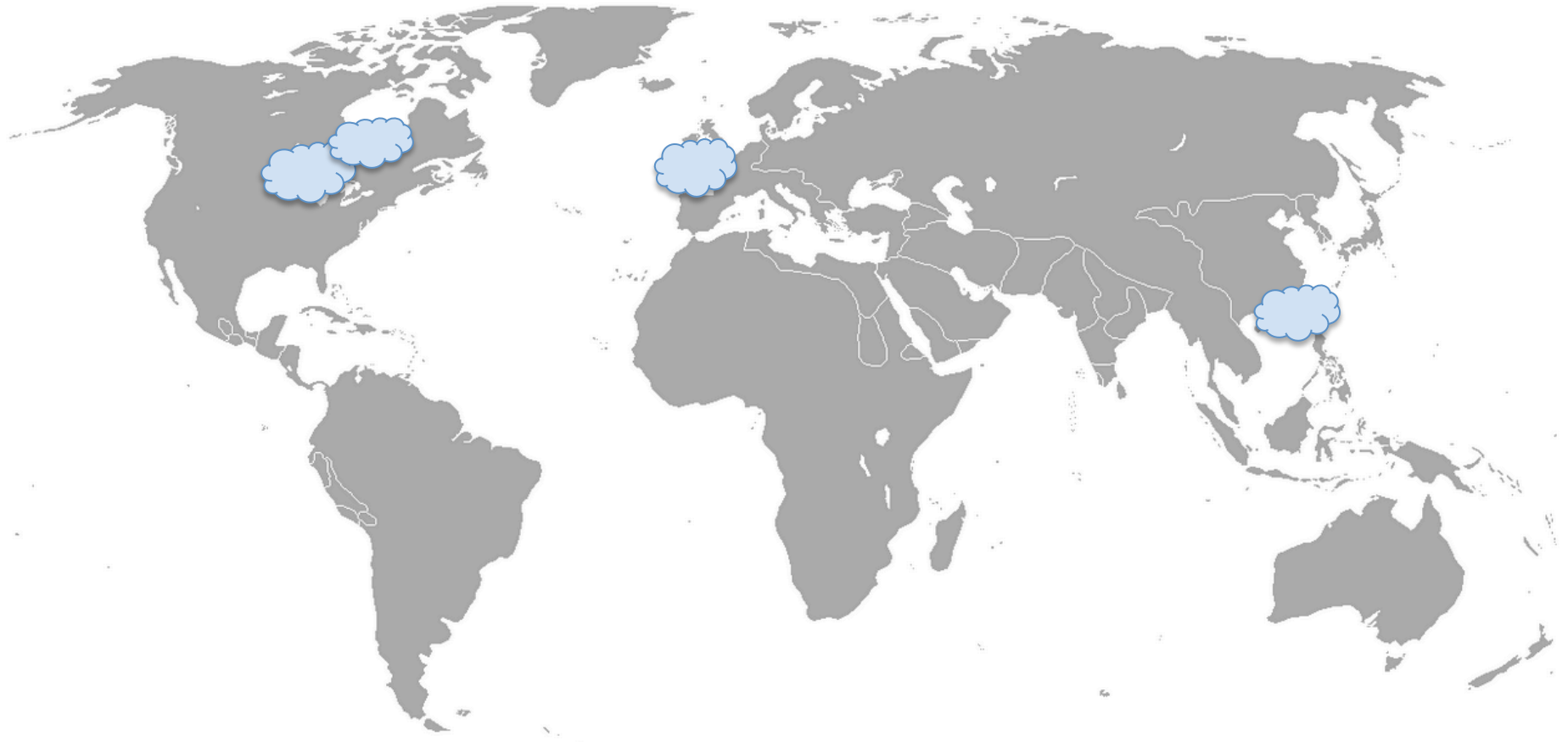
Blue Button is a way to get your health records electronically so you can...

- We need a simple button that can export our data from one data commons and import it into another one that peers with it.
- We also need this to work for controlled access biomedical data.
- Think of this as “Indigo Button” which safely and compliantly moves biomedical data between commons, similar to the HHS “Blue Button.”

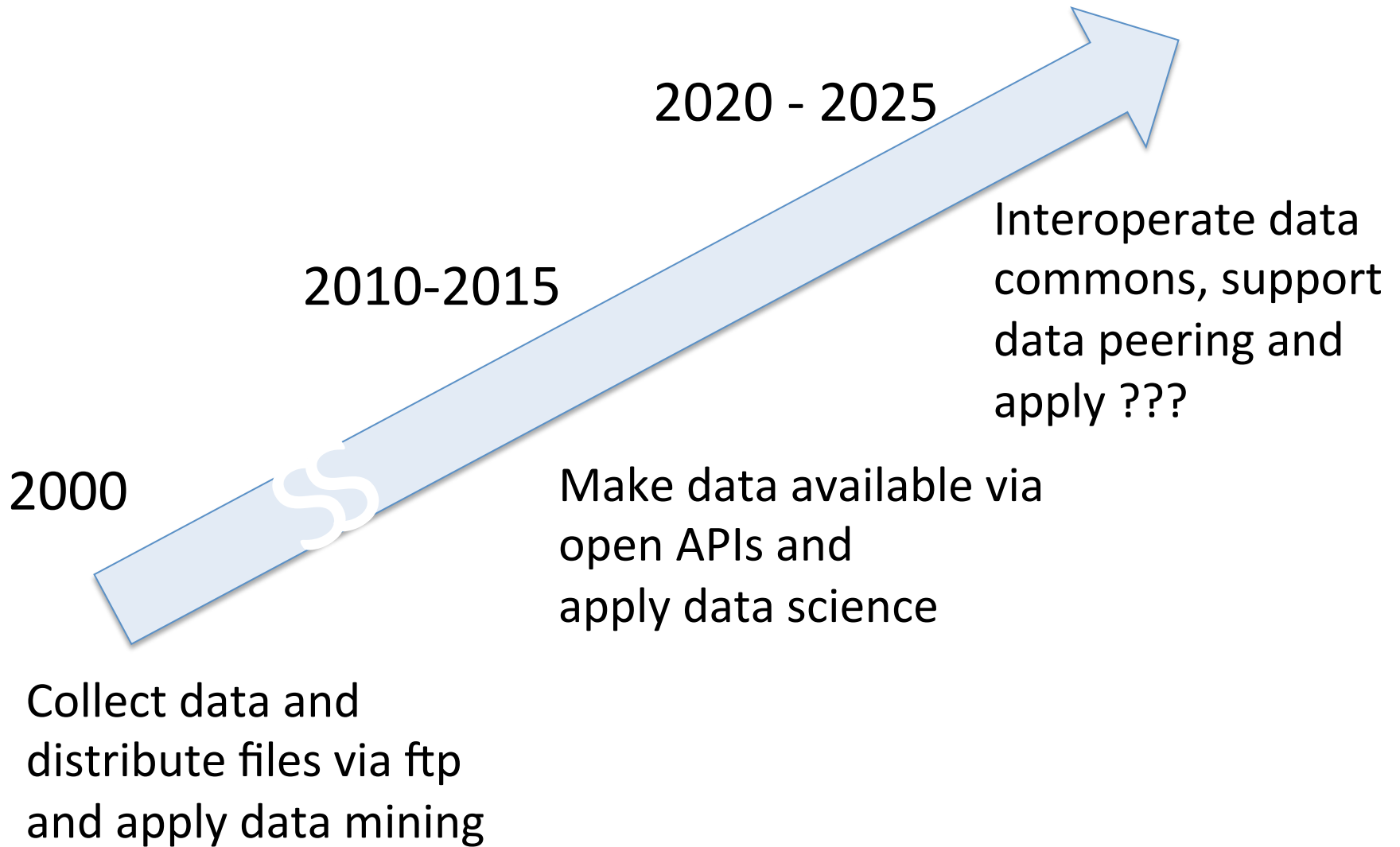
Requirement 5: Support **P**ay for Compute

- The final requirement is to support “pay for compute” over the data in the commons. Payments can be through:
 - Allocations
 - “Chits”
 - Credit cards
 - Data commons “condos”
 - Joint grants
 - etc.

6. OCC Global Distributed Data Commons



The Open Cloud Consortium is prototyping interoperating and peering data commons throughout the world (Chicago, Toronto, Cambridge and Asia) using 10 and 100 Gbps research networks.



Questions?



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