



ENVRI Common Operations of
Environmental Research Infrastructures

Towards the Big Data Strategies for EISCAT 3D

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● EISCAT 3D New Measurement Capabilities

- Instantaneous, adaptive control of beam positions
- Simultaneous multiple beams/interlaced beams
- High-resolution coding of polarisation, phase and amplitude
- Aperture synthesis imaging – small-scale 3D imaging(sub-beam-width)
- Multi-beam volume imaging – large-scale 3D imaging
- Full-profile vector measurements – large/small-scale 3D vector imaging
- High-speed object tracking
 - Estimated for 3 MW Tx: improvement at least $\times 10$ better

- EISCAT 3D e-Infrastructure capabilities
 - Real-time data access
 - Virtual research environment
 - Support long-tail scientists
 - Intelligent filter
 - Advanced discovery by signatures/patterns
 - User specific analysis/mining/processing
 - Support discovery of “unknowns”
 - Integration of external resources/global data sharing
 - New Applications, e.g.,
 - Space weather
 - Visualisation

The Big Data Challenges (3+1Vs)

• Volume.

- 5PB/year in 2018, 40PB/year in 2023
- Operate for 30 years, data products to be stored for > 10 years

• Velocity.

- Each antenna : 120MB/s
- 160 * antenna group (100 antennas): 2 Gbit/s/group
- 5* Ringbuffer: each 125 TB/h

• Variety.

- Measurements: different versions, formats, replicas, external sources ...
- System information: configuration, monitoring, logs/provenance ...
- Users' metadata/data: experiments, analysis, sharing, communications ...

• Value.

- How to discover meaningful insights from low-value-density data
- Needs new approaches to the deep, complex analysis e.g., machine learning, statistical modelling, graph algorithms etc.

Go beyond traditional approaches to the space physics

Towards The Big Data Strategies

The ENVRI Project

- Interoperability between ESFRI ENV RIs
- Common solutions to common problems

Started
11/2011

Now
08/2013

Ends
10/2014

Common Requirements

Common Services/Components

ENVRI Reference Model

- Evaluation/adoption of ENVRI RM
- Experiments with e-Science technology
- Evaluation of EGI/EUDAT Services

The Pilot Study

Started
02/2013

Ends
02/2014

- Community Standard
- Common language
- Unified framework

Horizon 2020 Proposal

Preparation
08/2013

Submission
02/2014

Starts
11/2014

- Support EISCAT Science Community
- Common services for the Big Data
- Training of Data Scientists

Goals for the Pilot Study

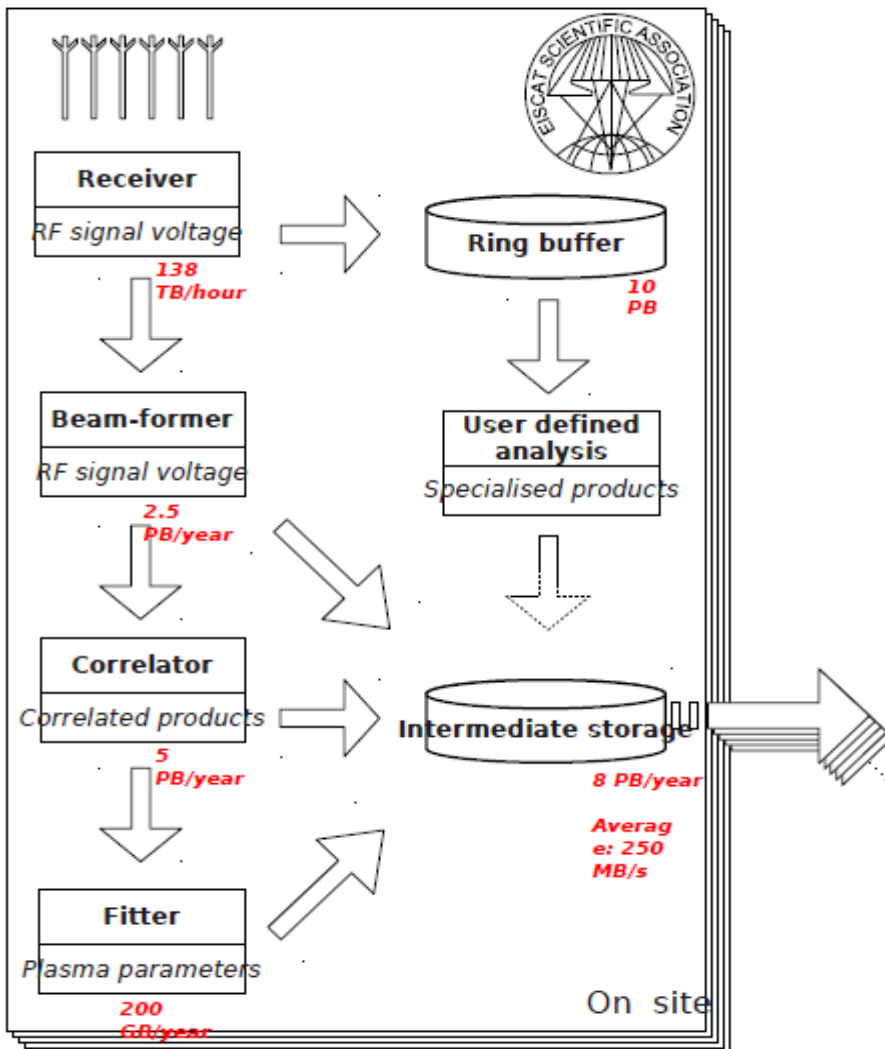
- Early adoption of the ENVRI Reference Model
 - Analysis and architecture design
 - Organising collaborative design activates
- Experiments with e-Science approaches
 - Distributed data archive
 - High throughput computing for processing
- Evaluation of the usability of EGI/EUDAT services
 - Within the EISCAT 3D e-Infrastructure
 - In supporting the EISCAT science community

• EGI

- A Europe-wide federation of national computing & storage resources.
- ~350 resource centres from the NGIs, across 55 countries
- > 370,000 logical CPUs, 248 PB disk, 176 PB of disk capacity

• EUDAT

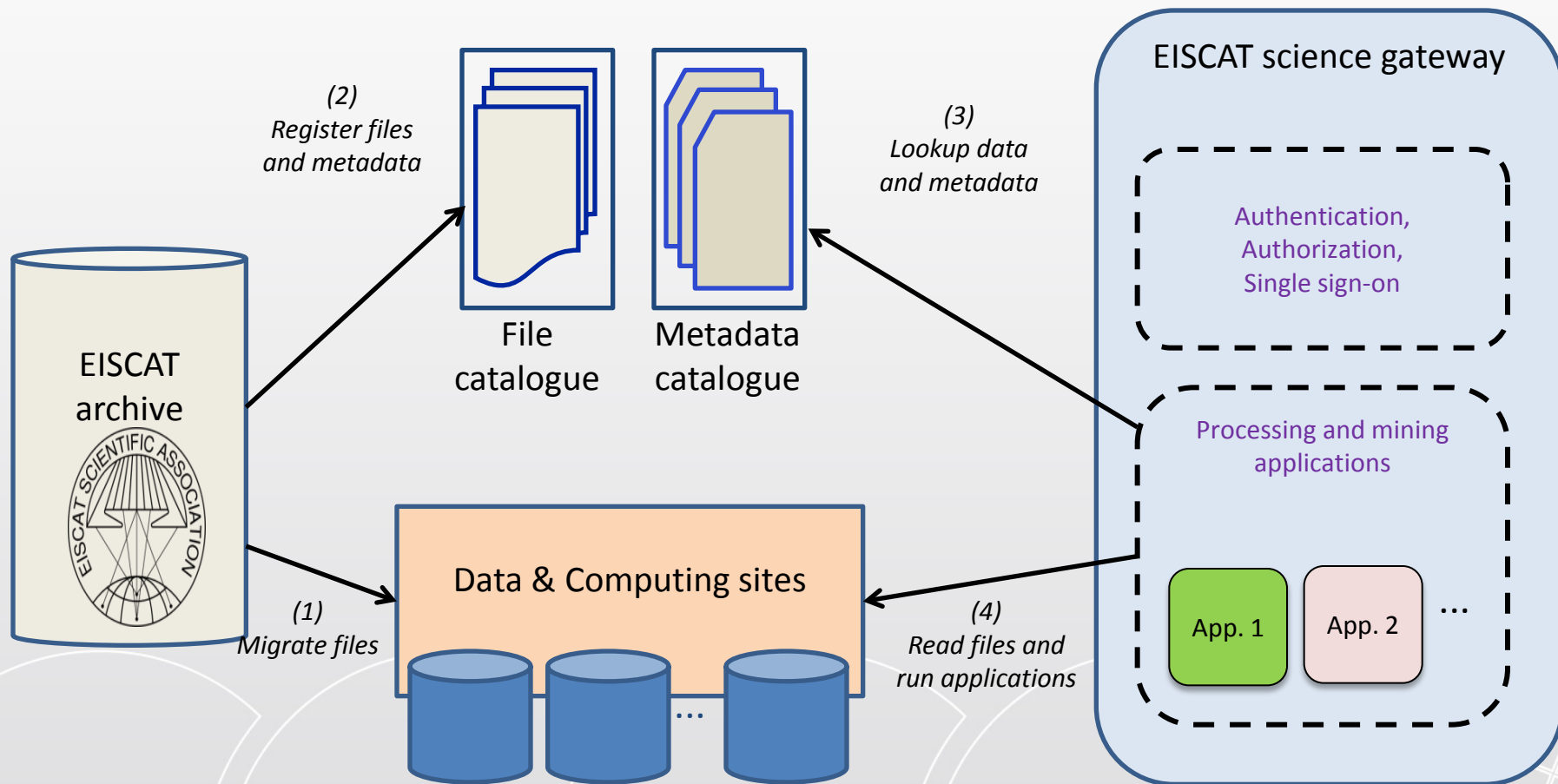
- European collaborative data infrastructure for e-Science
- 23 partners from 13 countries 15 user communities
- Offers storage, computing, metadata services to large research communities (e.g., ESFRI)



□ 5 Types of data

- Raw antenna (group) data (**138 TB/h**)
- Voltage beam formed data (**2.5 PB/year**)
- Correlated products (**5 PB/year**)
- Fitted data (**200GB/year**)
- (User) Specialised Products

- Numbers are **per site**, **5 sites** in total
- The **yearly rates** are based on **24/7 operation**
- **10%** of the time with **full power**
- **90%** of the time with **10% power**,
- In total **20%** of **average maximum rates**



- EGI (Grid) Services, e.g.,
 - Metadata catalogue -- AMGA
 - File catalogue -- LFC
 - Storage element
 - File Transfer Service
 - Portal for application development & hosting (e.g. SCI-BUS)
 - Access control
- EUDAT Services
 - Safe Replication
 - Data Staging (moving large data)
 - Simple Store (uploading and sharing data)
 - Metadata (including a portal for the service)
 - To come: Dynamic Data, Annotating Data etc.

• Usable solution with compromises



- Unlock the hidden value of the big data
 - Discovery & Access
 - Search through all levels of data, e.g.,
 - Find specific signatures
 - Plasma features, meteors, space debris, astronomical features
 - Automatic switching between high and low power modes
 - Search for other ISRs data resources
 - Processing
 - User specified analysis/correlation process
 - Visualisation

- For Scientists -- What applications do you use/need?
 - Search
 - Analysis/process,
 - Visualise
 - In any other way manage/ interpret the data.
- For Data manager -- How data are managed ?
 - Structure
 - Used file formats
 - Metadata structure
 - Needs for replication
 - User base,
 - Usage patterns
 - Accessibility/availability/security

- **Objective1: e-Infrastructure support to EISCAT Community**
 - Real-time data access
 - Community driven co-design
 - Virtual research environments
 - Support of long tail of scientist
 - Global data sharing and integration
 - **Objective2: Common Services for Big Data**
 - Identify common requirements, challenging issues, state-of-the-art design experiences, e.g., LOFAR, LHC, SKA, etc.
 - Proof of concepts of data infrastructure-enabling software
 - **Objective3: Training of Data Scientists**
 - A new data-centric way of organising research activities
 - New approaches to solve problems
- Lead to significant scientific breakthroughs**

● Widen Discussions

- 16.20pm: COOPEUS/ENVRI/EGI open forum & splinter group meetings

● Requirements Collection

- From scientists: <http://tinyurl.com/EISCAT-Sci>
- From data managers: <http://tinyurl.com/EISCAT-DM>

ENVRI Involved Organisations

- Cardiff University, UK
- CNRS, France
- CSC, Finland
- EGI.eu, The Netherlands
- EISCAT, Sweden
- EUDAT (via its partners)
- University of Edinburgh, UK

