



CALIPSOplus JRA2: Prototype of Data Analysis as a Service Platform

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Motivation


- Light sources are generators of big volumes of complex scientific data and their users need assistance in analysing the scientific data.
- Our aim is to provide a remote Data Analysis As a Service (DAAS) portal and platform for users to:
 - Access their experimental data
 - Use pre-packaged Data Analysis software available at each institute
 - Access onsite computer resources to assist with data reduction and processing

CALIPSOPlus DAAS Portal

- Joint Project: ALBA/ESRF/PSI
- Written: Angular 7 / Django
- Common home page which connects user to institute portal
- Custom installation tested at: ESRF, ALBA, ELETTRA, PSI, DESY, SOLEIL, DLS
- Services:
 - Jupyter Notebooks
 - Containers
 - Virtual Machines



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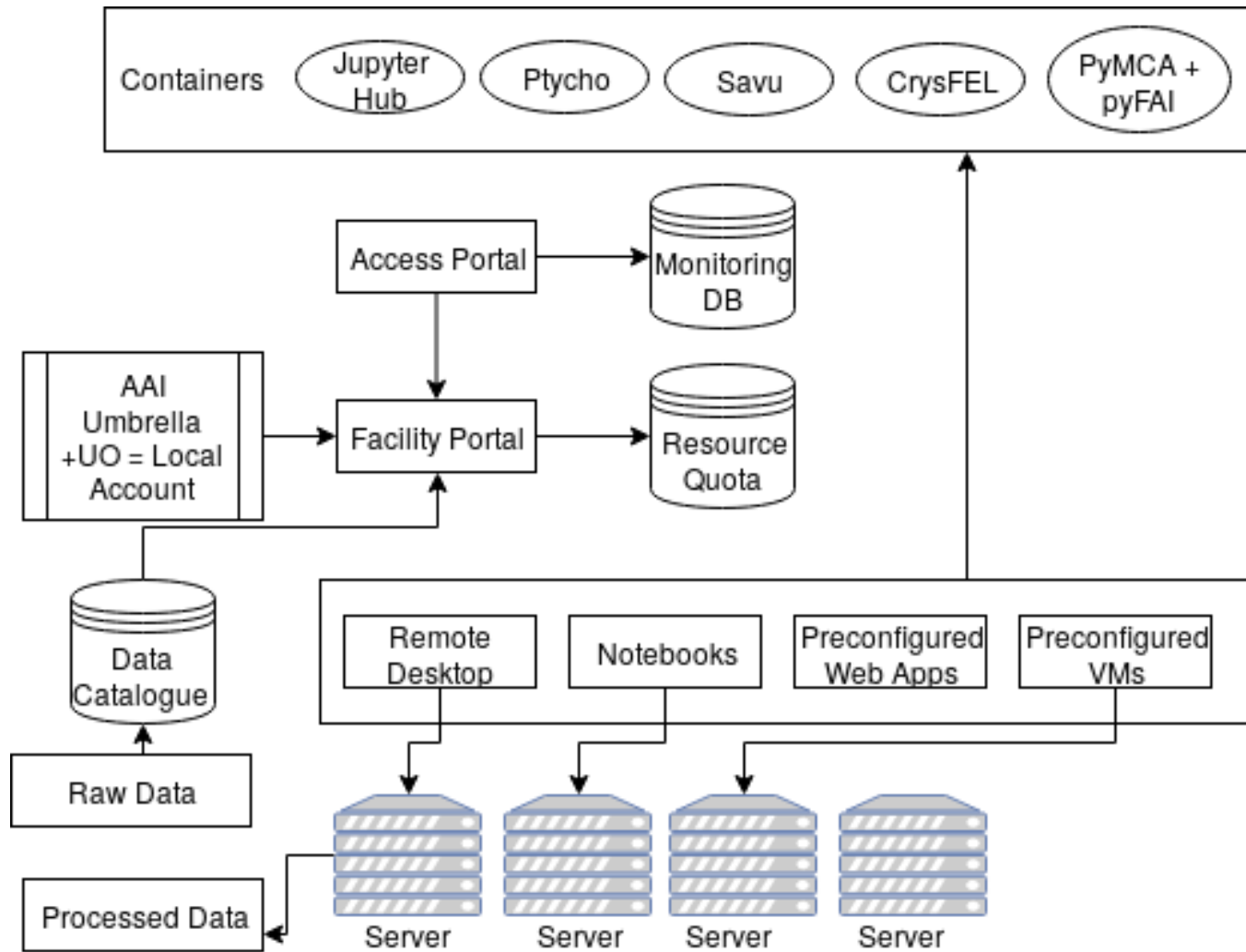
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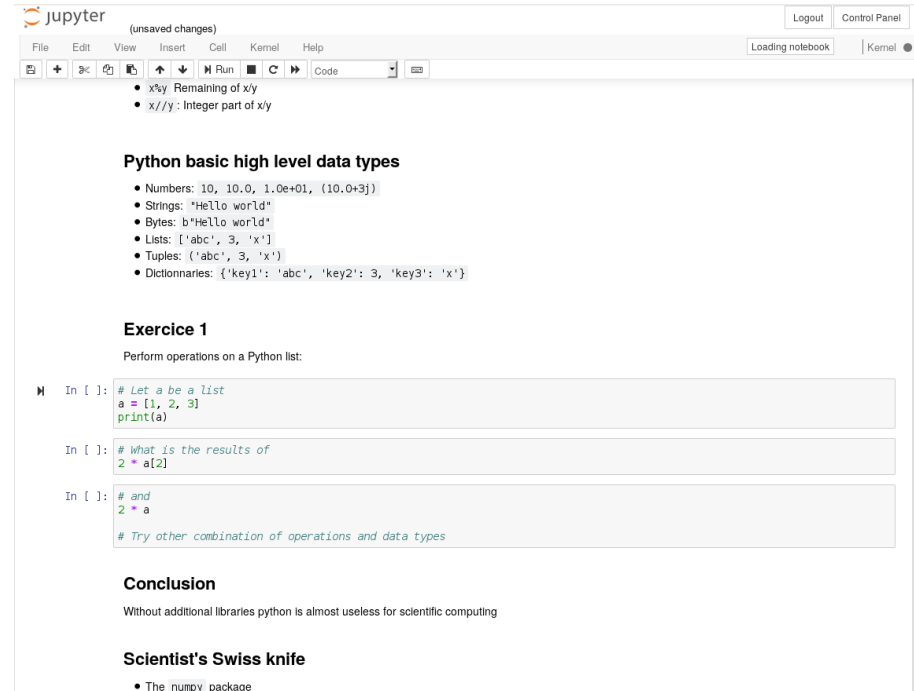
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CALIPSOPlus DAAS Portal Architecture*



Jupyter Notebooks (ESRF)

- Currently
 - 40+ users
 - Limited hardware resources
- Near Future
 - 100+ users
 - SLURM
 - Scalability
 - GPU Access
 - More GPUs available



The screenshot shows a Jupyter Notebook interface with the following content:

- Python basic high level data types**
 - Numbers: 10, 10.0, 1.0e+01, (10.0+3j)
 - Strings: "Hello world"
 - Bytes: b"Hello world"
 - Lists: ['abc', 3, 'x']
 - Tuples: ('abc', 3, 'x')
 - Dictionaries: {'key1': 'abc', 'key2': 3, 'key3': 'x'}
- Exercise 1**

Perform operations on a Python list:

```
In [ ]: # Let a be a list
a = [1, 2, 3]
print(a)

In [ ]: # What is the results of
2 * a[2]

In [ ]: # and
2 * a
# Try other combination of operations and data types
```
- Conclusion**

Without additional libraries python is almost useless for scientific computing
- Scientist's Swiss knife**
 - The `numpy` package

Jupyter Notebooks (DESY)

- 2018 - 2019
 - 180+ users
 - Typically 60-120
 - concurrent sessions
 - SLURM
 - Scalability
 - GPU Access
 - 3 AMD dedicated nodes
 - Other partitions can
 - be used too

Maxwell Jupyter Job Options

Maxwell partitions

Choice of GPU

Note: For partitions without GPUs (or choice of GPUs) the GPU selection will be set to 'none'

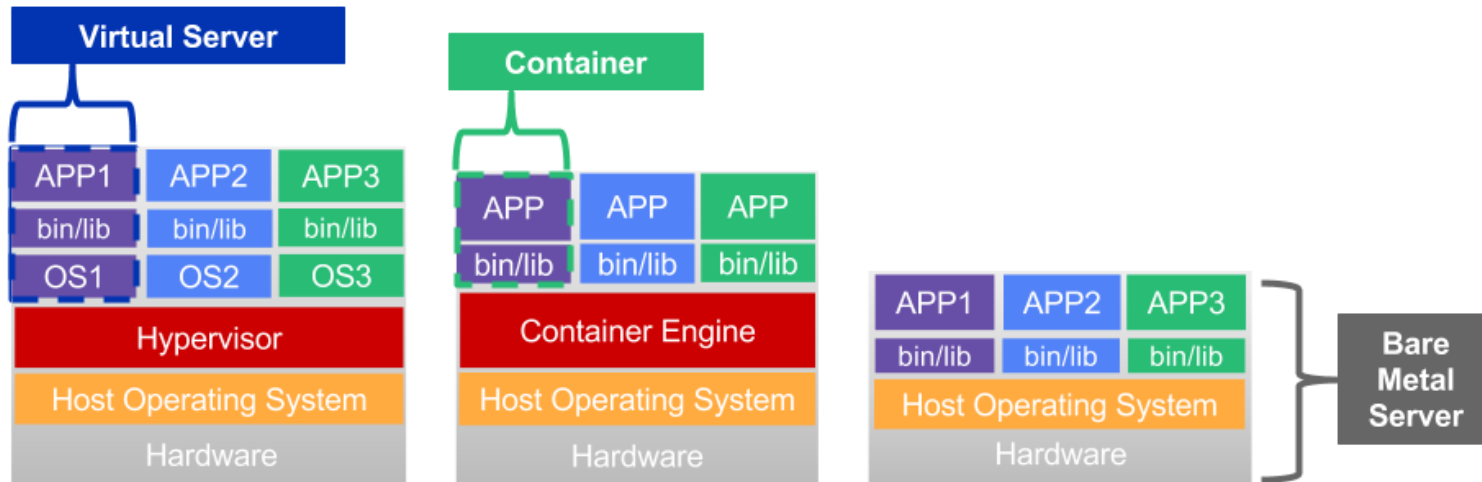
Job duration

Note: on the shared Jupyter partition (jhub) the time limit is always 7 days!

Current Status					
Partition	# nodes	# avail	# GPUs avail	# P100 avail	# V100 avail
jhub	3	3	0	0	0
maxwell	61	46	0	0	0
maxgpu	19	10	10	5	5
all	327	186	0	0	0
allgpu	88	48	48	38	5

Spawn

Compute Options: VM, Container, Bare Metal



Pre-installed
software

Pre-installed
software
Sudo
privileges


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Containers

- Computer that scientists and users can access with pre-installed software entirely in the web
- Scientists can:
 - Request a specific Linux OS (Ubuntu, CentOS, Debian etc)
 - Install their own software
 - Access their data (NFS)
 - Do analysis on site hardware from home/university
- Developers can:
 - Create/update container images with Github
 - Containers will update automatically on portal

Virtual Machines

- Computer that scientists and users can access with pre-installed software entirely in the web
- Scientists can:
 - Request a specific OS (including Windows)
 - Can't install their own software (security risks)
 - Access their data
 - Do analysis on site hardware from home/university
- Use Cases tested:
 - PyMca (ESRF), pyFAI (ESRF), PtychoShelves (PSI), Savu (DLS), CrysFEL (DESY)

Future Developments

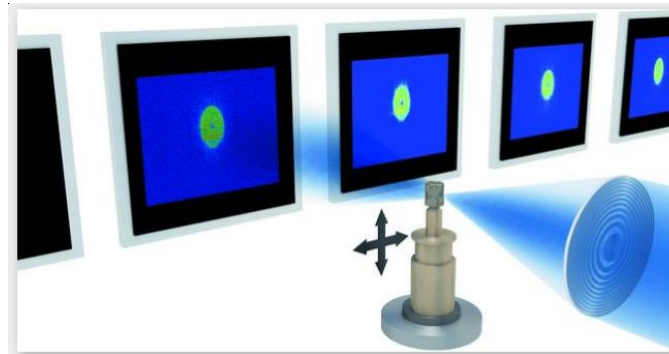
- Integrate experiment data within the portal
 - Custom plug-ins required
- Building tailored Notebooks for beamlines
- Create containers/virtual machines without needing an experiment
- Write report on needs of Calipsoplus community wrt European Open Science Cloud
- Integrate results with PaNOSC and ExPaNDS DAAS portal

PSI Deployment

- This project represents an ideal opportunity to prove emergent technologies
 - ◆ Containerisation and orchestration thereof
 - ◆ Microservice Architectures
 - ◆ “DevOps” methodologies
- PSI chose to deploy the portal on Red Hat OpenShift
 - ◆ Enterprise-grade Kubernetes distribution
- CALIPSOplus portal had to be deployed as a Microservice Architecture
 - ◆ A wealth of experience gained for PSI in this methodology

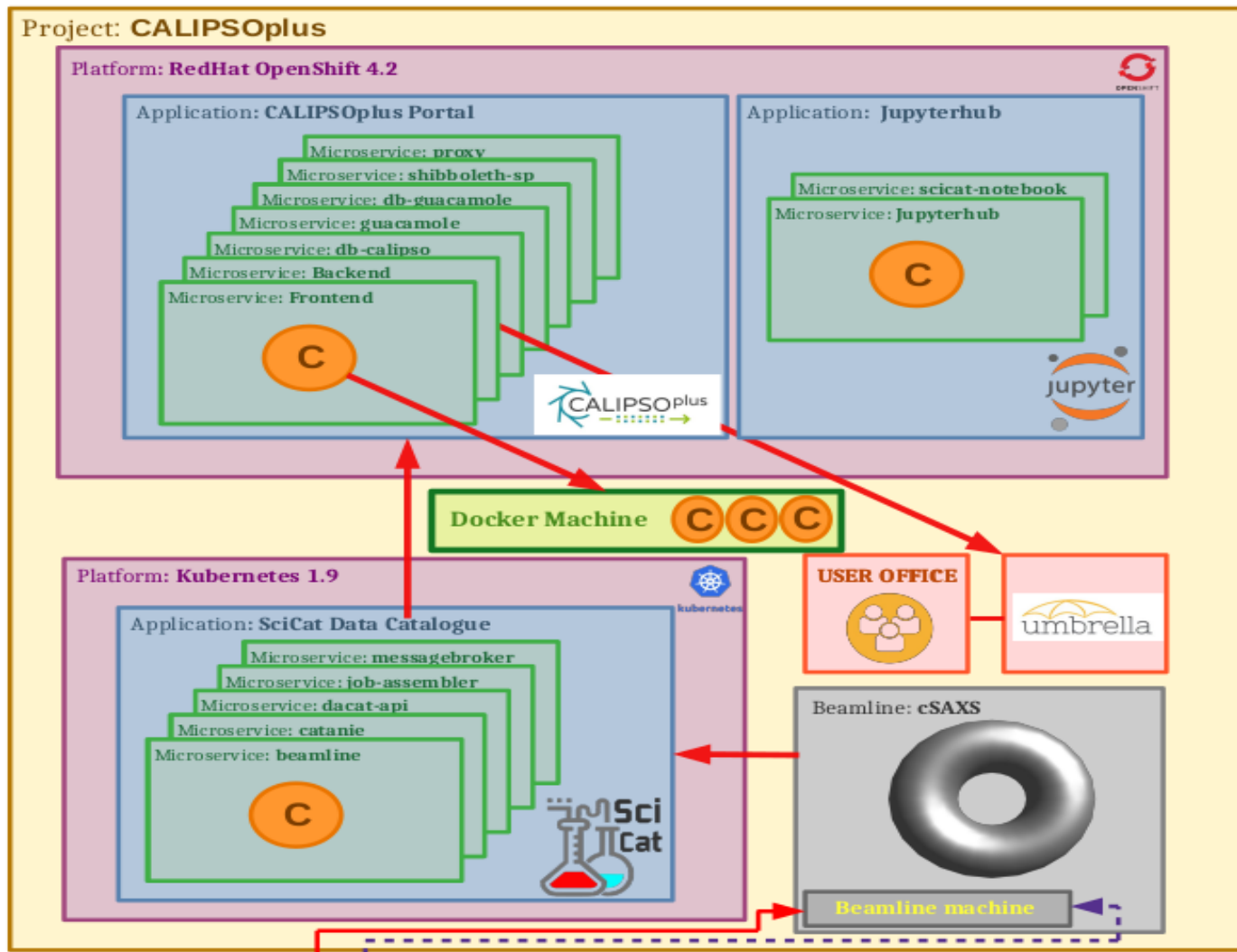
PSI Use Case

- We engaged our cSAXS Beamline for our CALIPSOplus use case
 - ♦ **cSAXS** – Coherent Small-Angle X-ray Scattering - uses Ptychography (among other techniques) for image reconstruction
 - ♦ **Ptychography**: computationally generate images by processing coherent interference patterns
 - ♦ The application we are using for this is **PtychoShelves**
 - ♦ **PtychoShelves**, a versatile high-level framework for high-performance analysis of ptychographic data



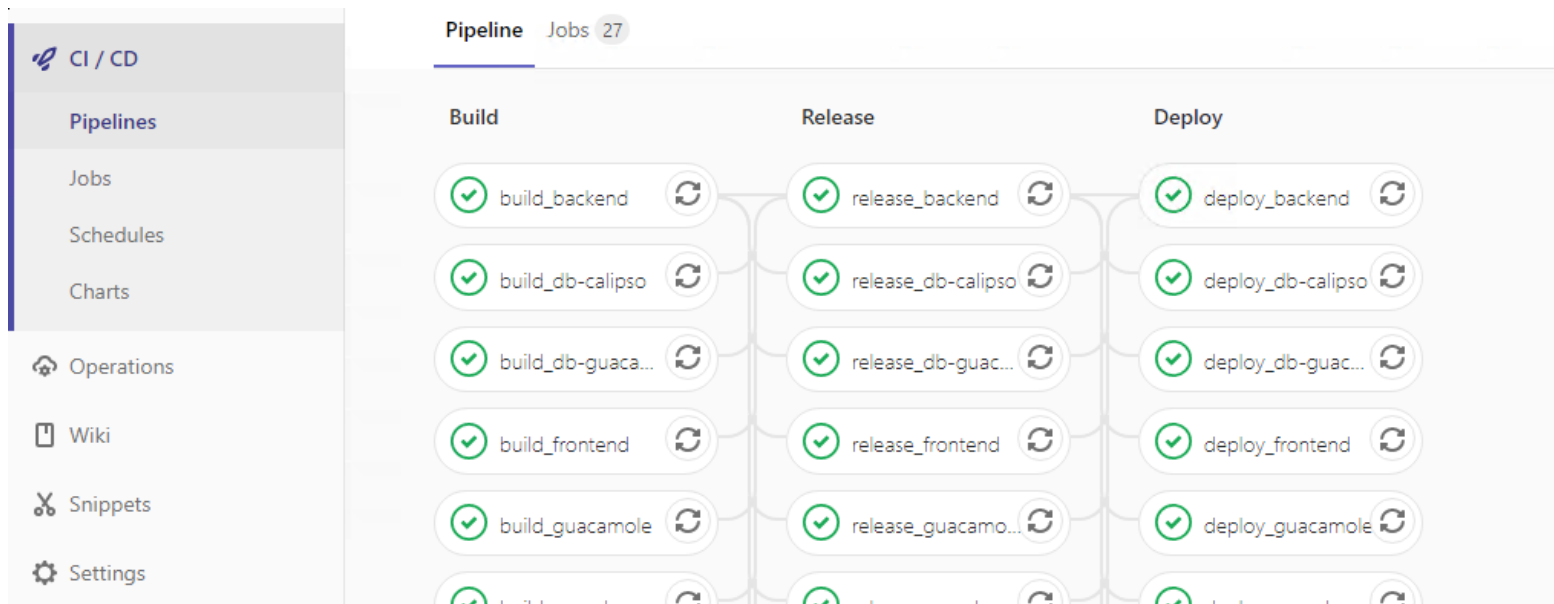
- ♦ Paper can be found here: <https://scripts.iucr.org/cgi-bin/paper?zy5001>
- ♦ (Will paste into chat window)

PSI Architecture



Deploying the Application


- We deploy CALIPSOplus as a Microservice Architecture via “Continuous Integration/Continuous Deployment” (CI/CD) from GitLab:




- A new build is triggered, released, and deployed automatically to our OpenShift instance, upon committing new code
- This is “**DevOps**” in action

Demonstration - Screenshots

- We select the proposal we are interested in, launch our chosen container on top of this data, and connect to it via RDP or VNC





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Sessions from proposal **20180101**

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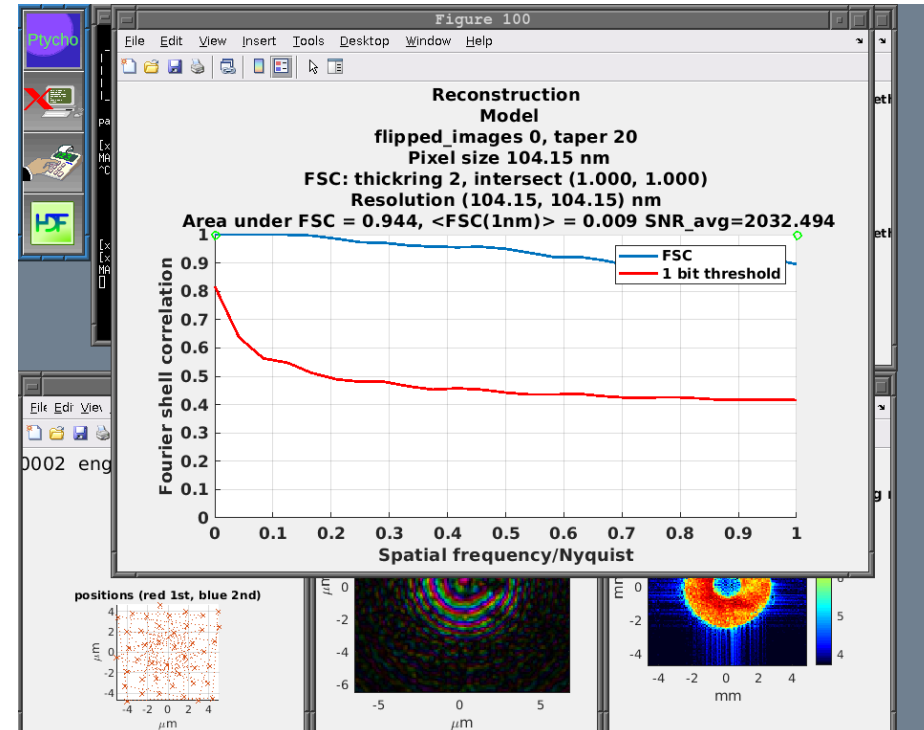
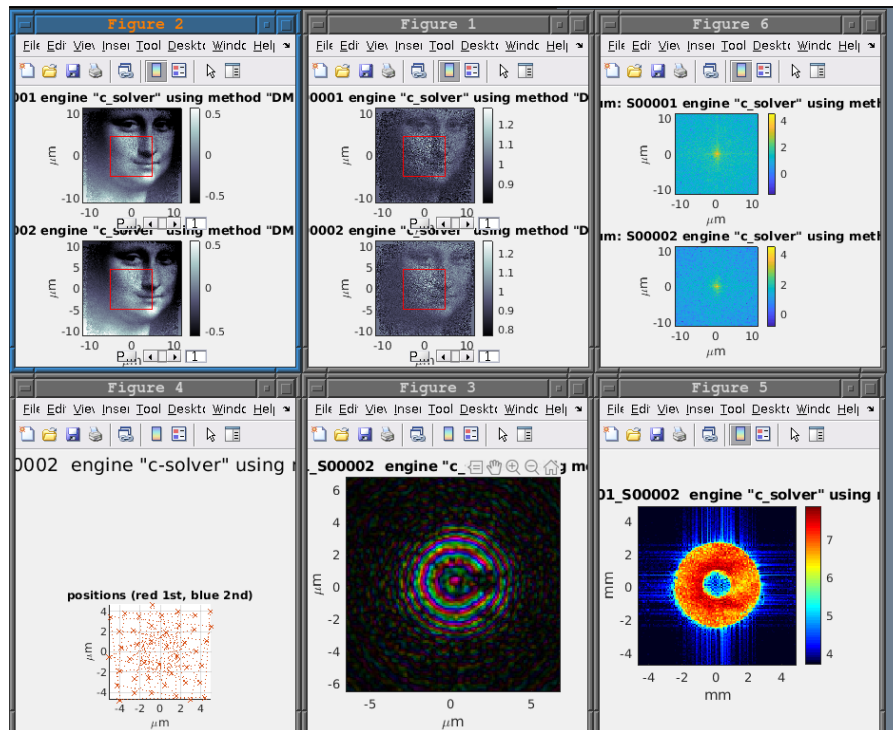
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- A Linux “system” will now be at our disposal, and our scientific application is already mapped-in and ready to run

Demonstration - Screenshots

- We can then run our MATLAB package, and get our results:



Live Demo – please standby..

- We will now show a live demo of the portal in action

Conclusions

- CALIPSOplus JRA has been very useful in bringing together sites to collaborate and share a prototype portal for providing Data Analysis as a Service
- Feedback from users was positive and demonstrated the need for such services
- Jupyter service is being generalised at most sites
- Other services (containers+VM) are under test
- Main difficulty encountered in providing DAAS services in production is the lack of data analysis policy at all the sites (a survey has been prepared to get feedback from sites)
- Future developments will be in EOSC with PaNOSC+ExPaNDS

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Thank You

...questions?

Backup slides

- Extra slides which can be used in case there are questions on certain details

Jupyter Notebook Prototypes

- SLURM (DESY, ESRF)
 - Interactive notebook server created using a scheduler
 - GPU support
 - 12 hour session
 - Cannot install new software (except by `pip install --user`)
- SudoSpawner
 - Single machine with GPU support
 - Very limited hardware resources
- Kubernetes (ALBA, PSI)
 - Load balanced notebooks (more computing resources)
 - Unlimited session time
 - Can install new software (`apt-get`, `pip`, etc) temporarily
 - Notebook is culled after X hours of inactivity
 - Multiple custom notebook images

Virtual Machines

- Virtual machines can be created using multiple systems used by each site.
- ESRF:
 - KVM
- Others:
 - OpenStack
 - KVM
 - Citrix
 - Vsphere / VMWare
- Creating a container can take time
 - Maintain “bank” of virtual machines available at all times

Containers

- Previously
 - Limited to Docker
 - Limited to a single machine (not scalable)
 - Apache Guacamole
 - NFS for data access
- Now
 - Kubernetes
 - Scalability
 - Orchestration
 - Apache Guacamole but in the same browser
 - NFS for data access

Administration

- View resource usage for Containers and Virtual Machines
- Upload new container and vm images
- Manage all containers and virtual machines
- Manage all users

The screenshot displays the ESRF administration interface. On the left, a sidebar contains navigation links: Users, Images, Container, VM, Containers, and VM. The main content area is titled 'Available Container Images' and features an 'Add Image' button. Below this, two container images are listed:

Image Name	Image	Protocol	CPU	RAM	HDD	Actions
base_image	consol/centos-xfce-vnc:latest	vnc	1	3G	5G	Modify Delete
base_jupyter	jupyter/scipy-notebook	vnc	1	3G	5G	Modify Delete

On the right, a 'New Container Image' modal form is open. It contains the following fields:

- Public Name:
- Image:
- Protocol:
- CPU:
- Memory:
- HDD:
- Resource:

At the bottom of the modal, the 'Form Value' is displayed as a JSON object: `{ "publicName": "", "image": "", "protocol": "RDP", "cpu": "", "memory": "", "hdd": "", "resource": "" }`. A 'Submit' button is located at the bottom right of the modal.