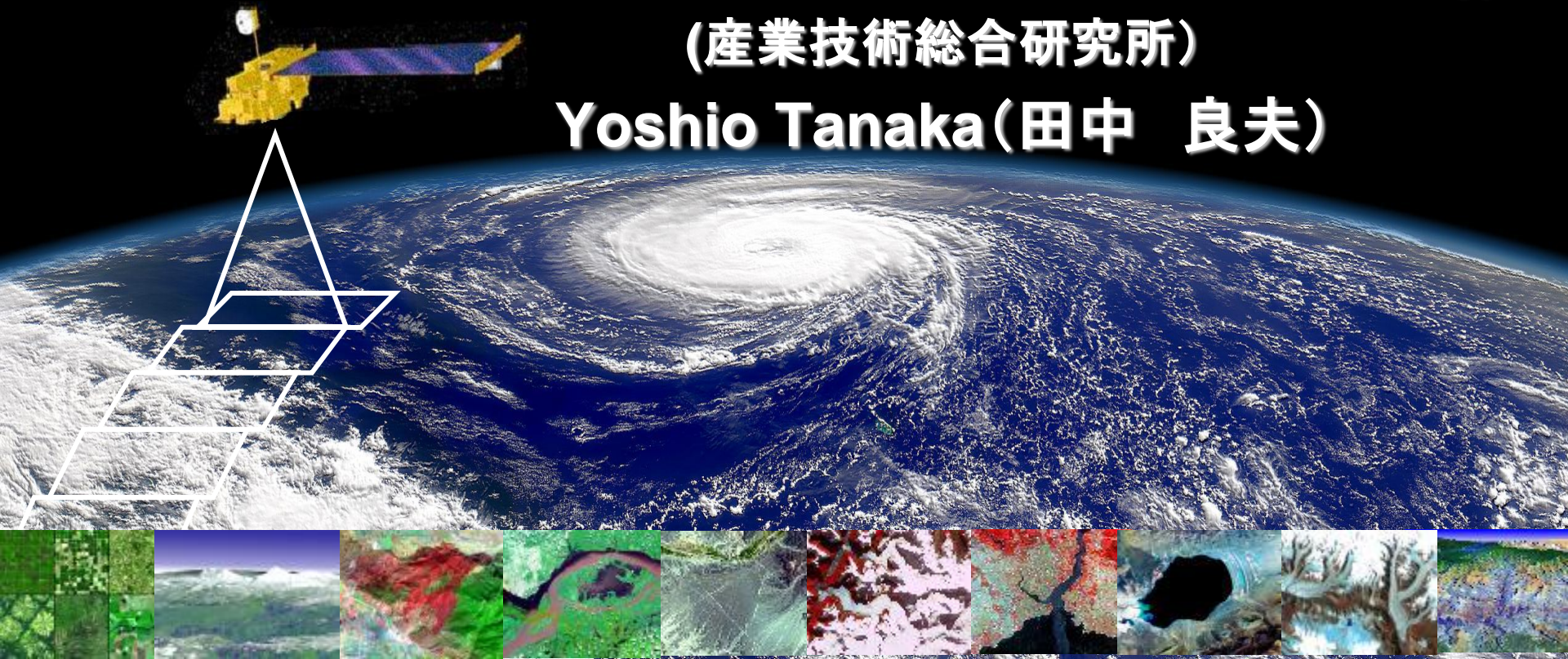


Grid and E-Science: discovering and exploiting the future

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Overview of AIST (産業技術総合研究所)

National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology

- Headquarters in Tokyo and Tsukuba.
- 9 Centers in Japan
- 8,500 employees including 2,500 full-time researchers.



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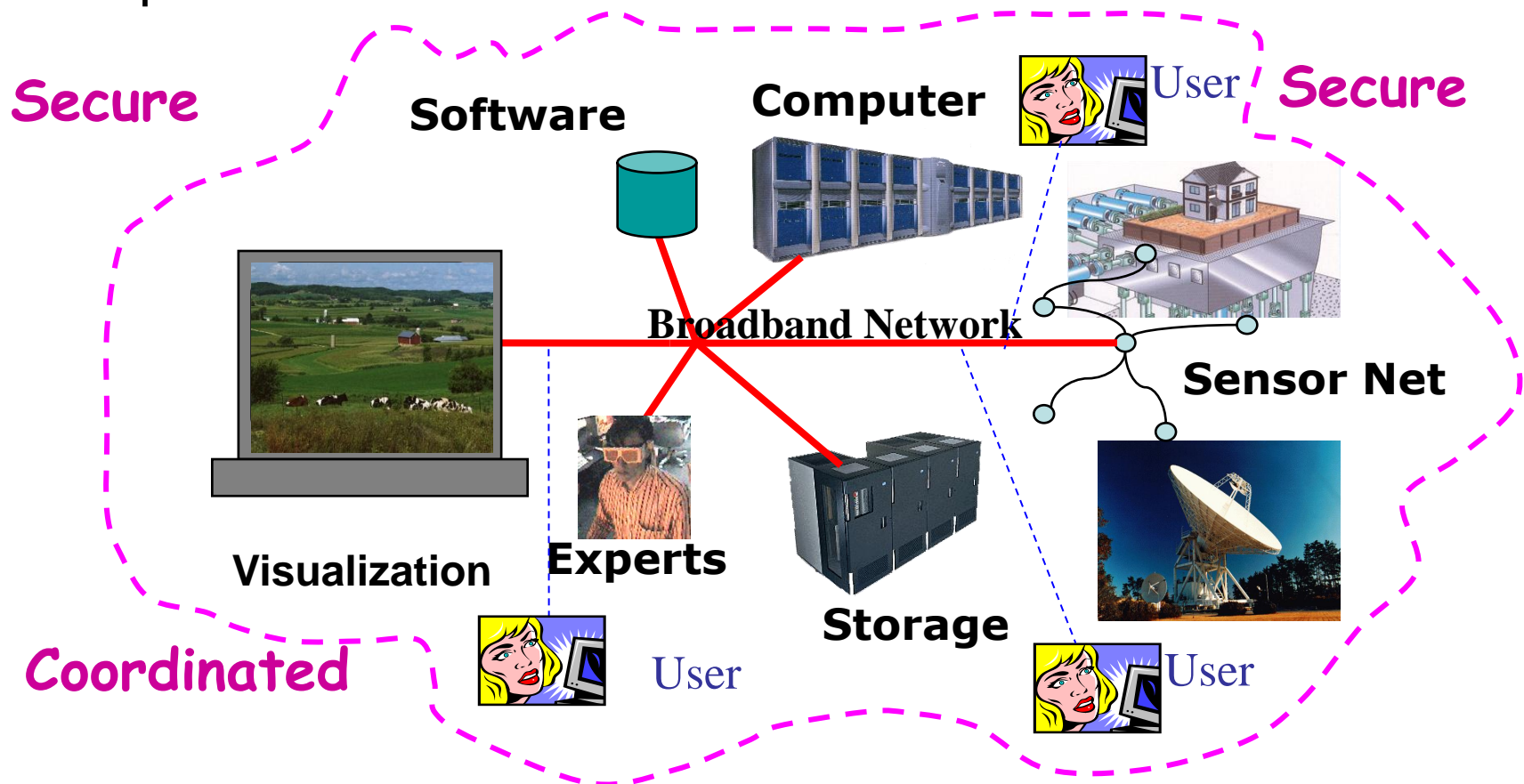
From Primary science to e-Science

- Primary Science
 - Theoretical Science (理論科学)
- Secondary Science
 - Experimental Science (実験科学)
 - Verify theory by experiments
- Third Science
 - Computational Science (計算科学)
 - Computer simulation and other forms of computation to solve problems in various scientific disciplines.
 - Supercomputers enable accurate large-scale simulations
- Fourth Science
 - E-Science (E-科学)



Fourth Science == E-Science

- A new methodology of science by federating distributed resources such as computers, databases, and experimental devices.





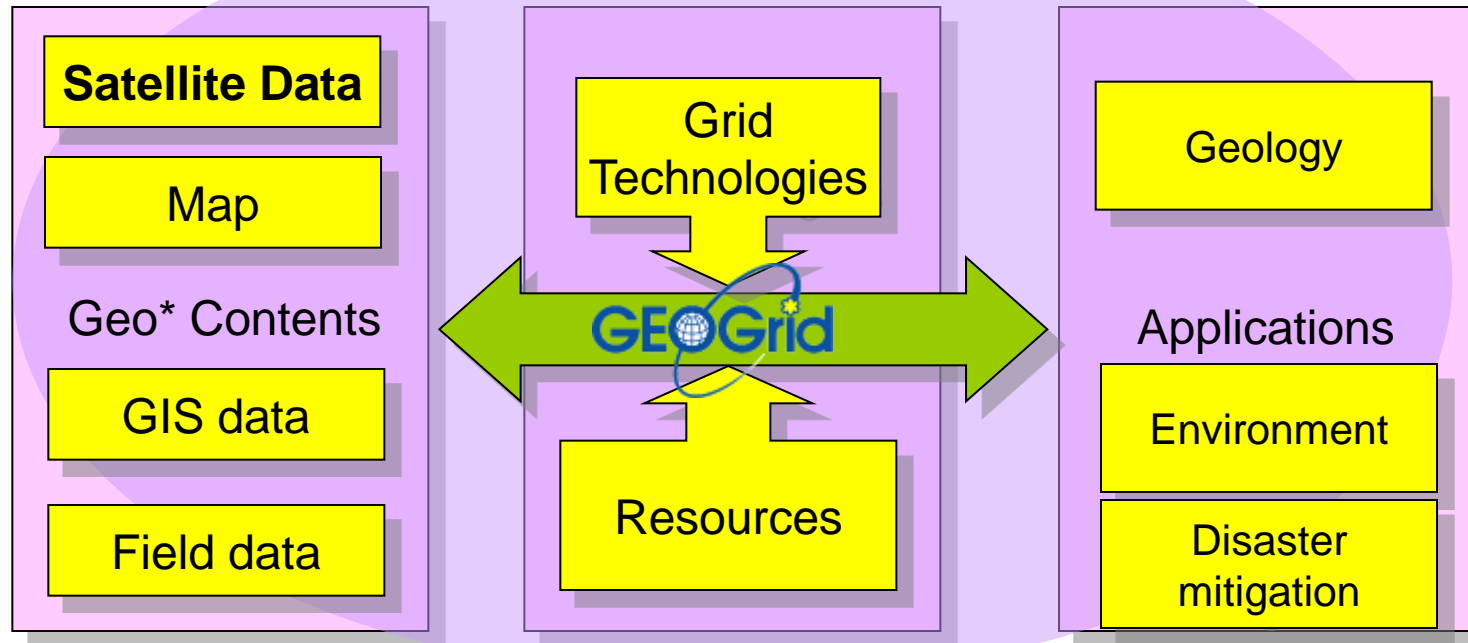
Global Earth Observation (GEO) Grid

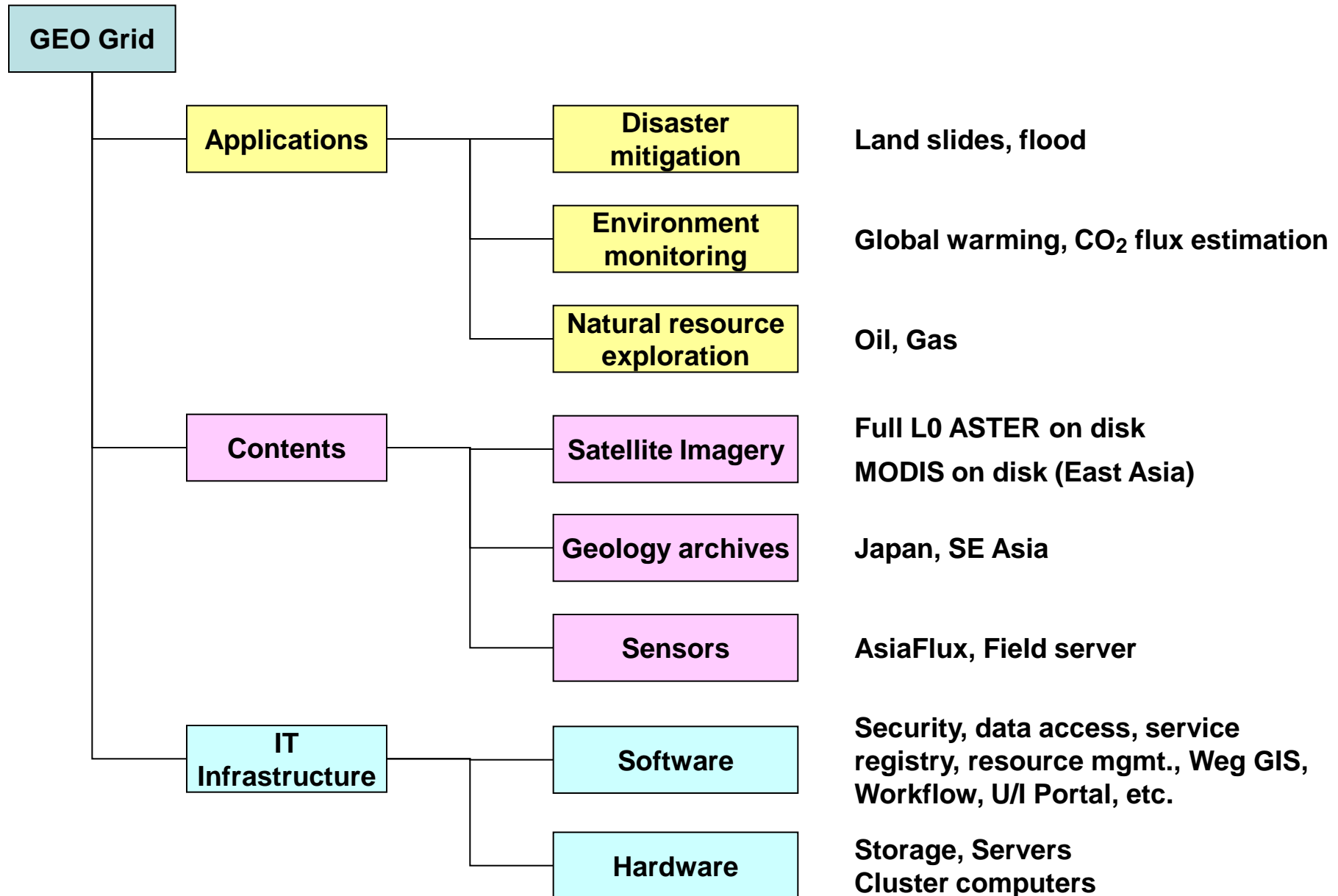
What is the GEO Grid ?

- The GEO (Global Earth Observation) Grid is aiming at providing an E-Science Infrastructure for worldwide Earth Sciences communities to accelerate GEO sciences based on the concept that relevant data and computation are virtually integrated with a certain *access control* and ease-of-use interface those are enabled by a set of Grid and Web service technologies.

AIST: OGF Gold sponsor (a founding member)

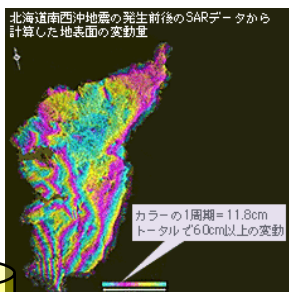
AIST: OGC Associate member (since 2007)





A Workflow example “Disaster prevention and mitigation”

Monitoring of crustal deformation by PALSAR



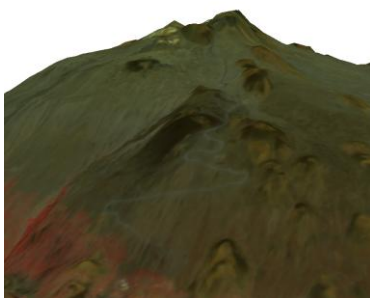
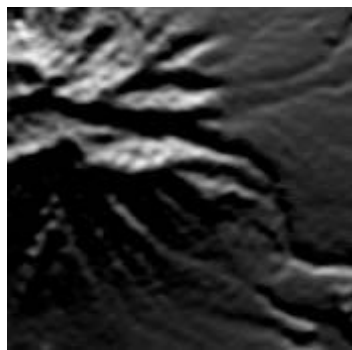
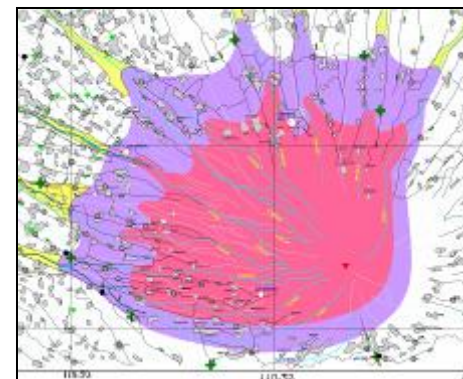
PALSAR

ASTER

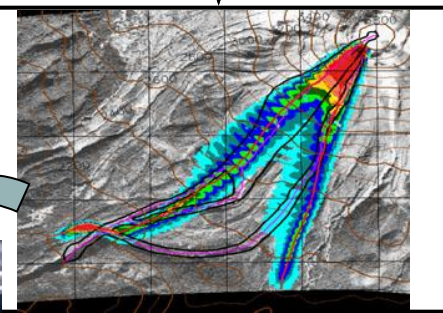
In-situ observations
e.g. growth of a lava dome



Hazard Map for
Evacuation planning



High resolution DEM
provided from ASTER



Simulation of lava and/or
pyroclastic flow on GEO Grid

Functional requirements for the IT infrastructure

- Size scalability in near-real-time data handling and distribution
 - Need to manage hundreds tera-bytes to peta-byte of data.
 - Such data will be made available with minimum time delay and at minimum cost.
- Handling wide diversification of data types, associated metadata, products and services.
 - Research communities wish to integrate various data according to their interests.
 - IT infrastructure must support
 - the creation of user groups which represent various types of virtual research/business communities
 - Federation of distributed and heterogeneous data resources which is shared in such communities

Functional requirements for the IT infrastructure (cont'd)

- Respecting data owner's publication policies
 - Some data are not freely accessible.
 - E.g. commercial data.
- Smooth interaction and loose coupling between data services and computing services
 - A desirable IT architectural style would achieve loose coupling among interacting software agents to allow users both to create services independently, and to produce new application from them.
 - IT infrastructure must support sharing, coordination, and configuration of environments for application programs and resources, depending on the user's requirements.

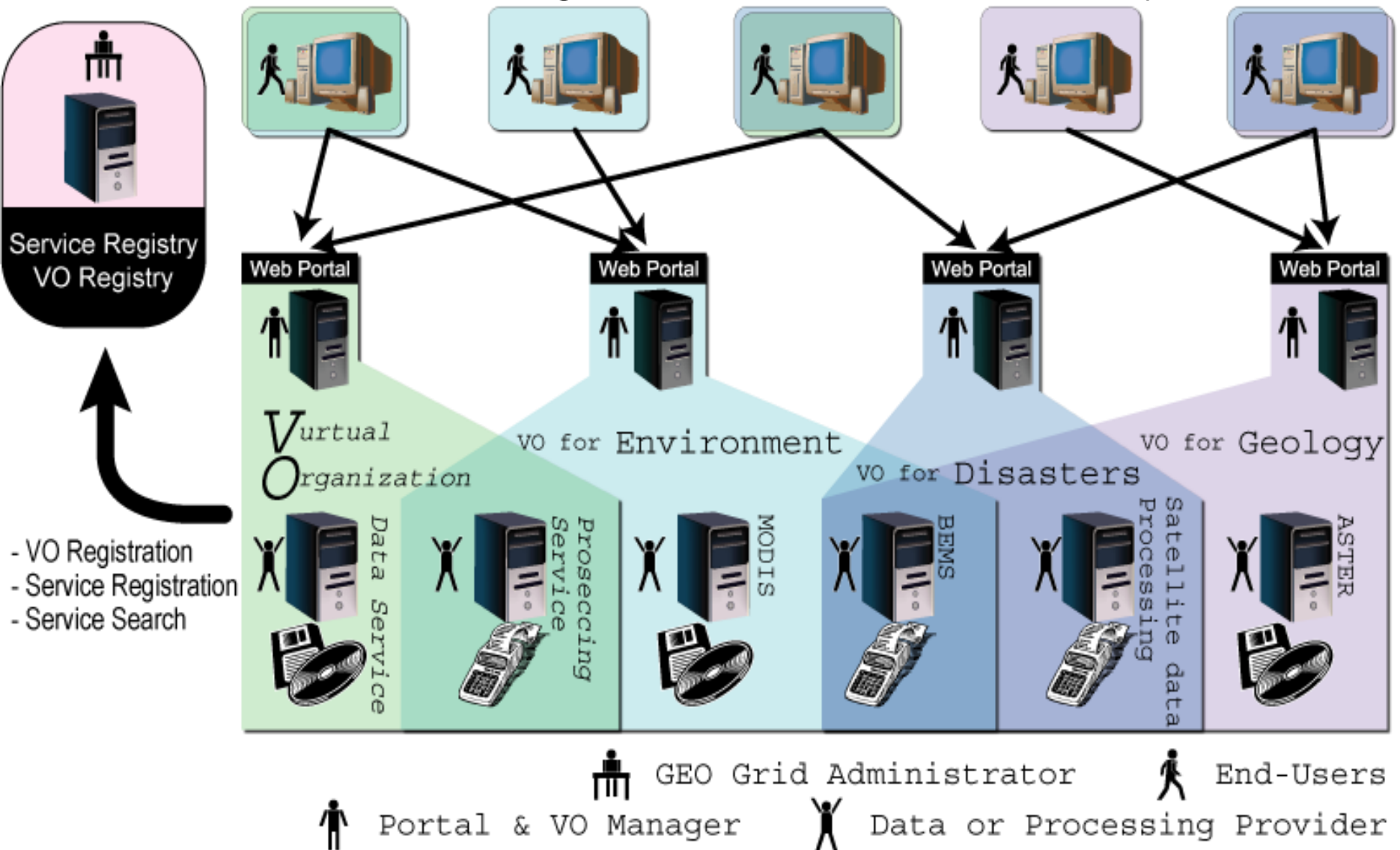
Functional requirements for the IT infrastructure (cont'd)

- Ease of use
 - End users should be able to access data and computing resources without the burden of installing special software and taking care of security issues (e.g. certificate mgmt.).
 - Data and service providers should be able to easily make their resources available as services with desired access control.
 - Administrators and leaders of communities should be able to create virtual communities easily by configuring appropriate access control.
 - We must provide an ease-of-use framework for publishing services and user interfaces.

Design Policy

- Introduces a concept of VO (Virtual Organization)
- Data and computation are provided as “services” via standard protocols and APIs.
- A VO is created dynamically by integrating available services and resources according to the interests and requirements of the VO.
- User-level Authentication and VO-level Authorization
 - User’s right is managed (assigned) by an administrator of his belonging VO.
 - Access control to a service is configured by the service provider according to the publication policy. There are some options of the access control
 - VO-level, Group/Role-based, User-level, etc.
 - Scalable architecture for the number of users.

Overview and usage model of the GEO Grid system



Key Technologies: GSI and VOMS

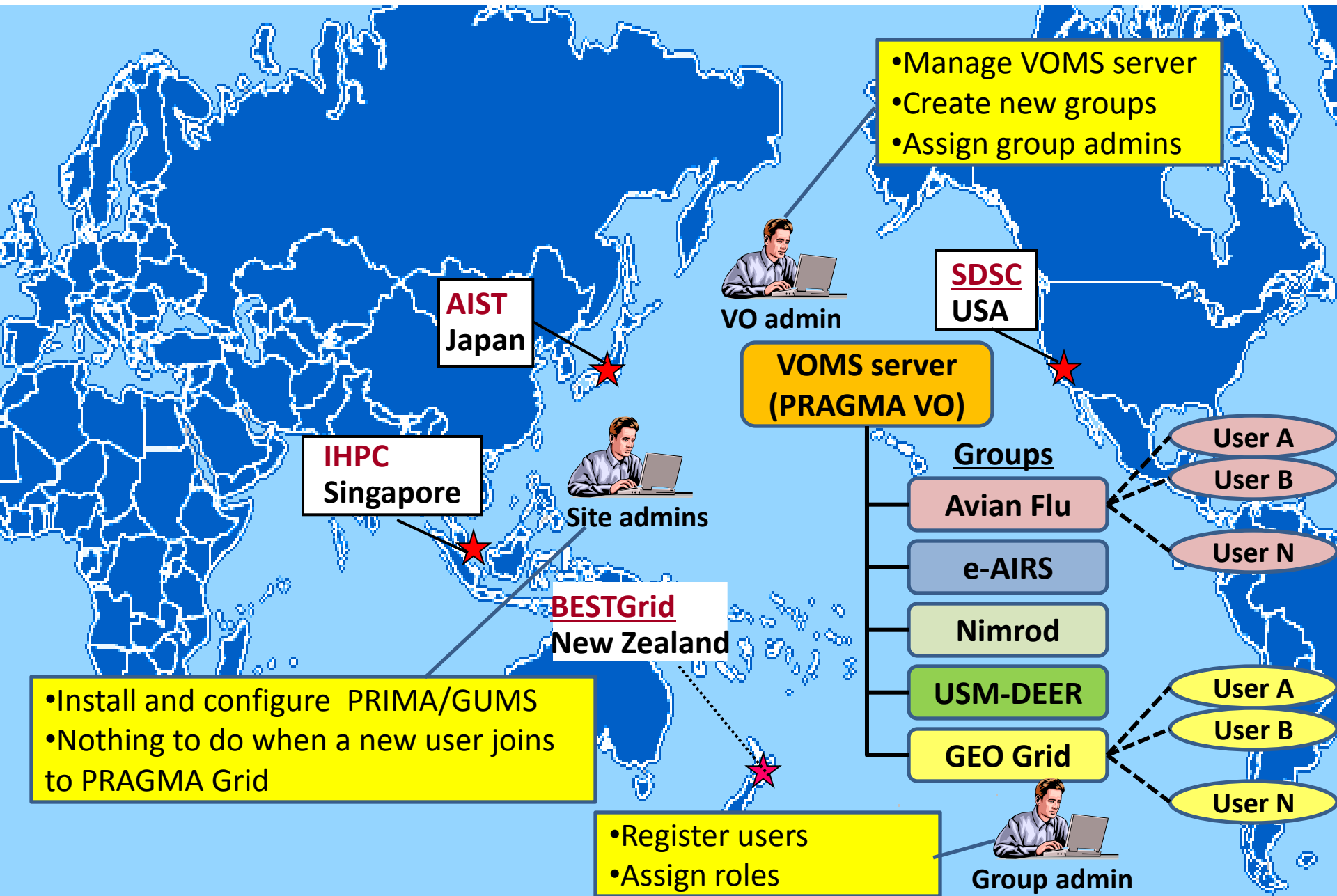
- Grid Security Infrastructure (GSI) is standard security technology used in the current Grid communities.
 - ▶ Based on Public Key Infrastructure (PKI) and X.509 Certificates.
- Virtual Organization Membership Services (VOMS) is a software for creating/managing VOs.
 - ▶ Developed by European Communities
 - ▶ Based on GSI

End users of GEO Grid may not be required to understand GSI, VOMS, etc, but project (VO) admin should understand these technologies correctly.

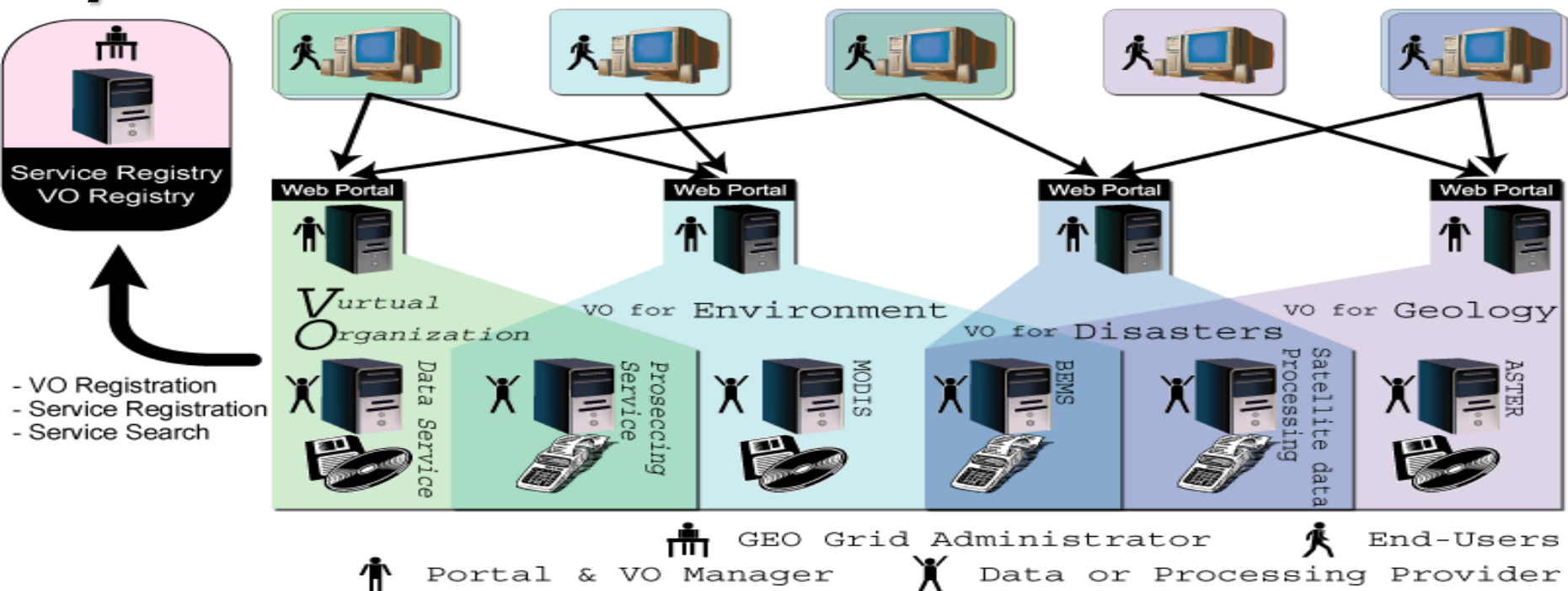
What's the role of VOMS? (cont'd)

- VOMS provides a mechanism for VO-based authorization.
 - ▶ Users are registered to VO(s)
 - ▶ Users can belong to Group(s) in the VO
 - ▶ Users can be assigned role(s)
 - ▶ Service providers can configure the system to control access based on
 - Ⓢ VO-base
 - ⊕ All users in a VO can access to the service
 - Ⓢ Group-base
 - ⊕ Users in a specific group can access to the services
 - Ⓢ Group&Role-base
 - ⊕ Users in a specific group with specific role can access to the services
- It is implemented by embedding “VOMS attributes” in user's proxy certificate.

VOMS on PRAGMA Grid (test phase)



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PRAGMA VO / GEO Group



user

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(2) Apply to join PRAGMA VO/GEO Group

(3) Review application and approve or reject Membership



Group admin
(Ryosuke, Franz)

(4) Members in PRAGMA VO / GEO Group are able to access F2 and ASTER data



Formsat-2



ASTER

(1) Delegate review to the Group admin

Credential Management:

- ▶ Non-secure users often manage their private keys for PKI / GSI credentials without careful planning.

Authentication methods:

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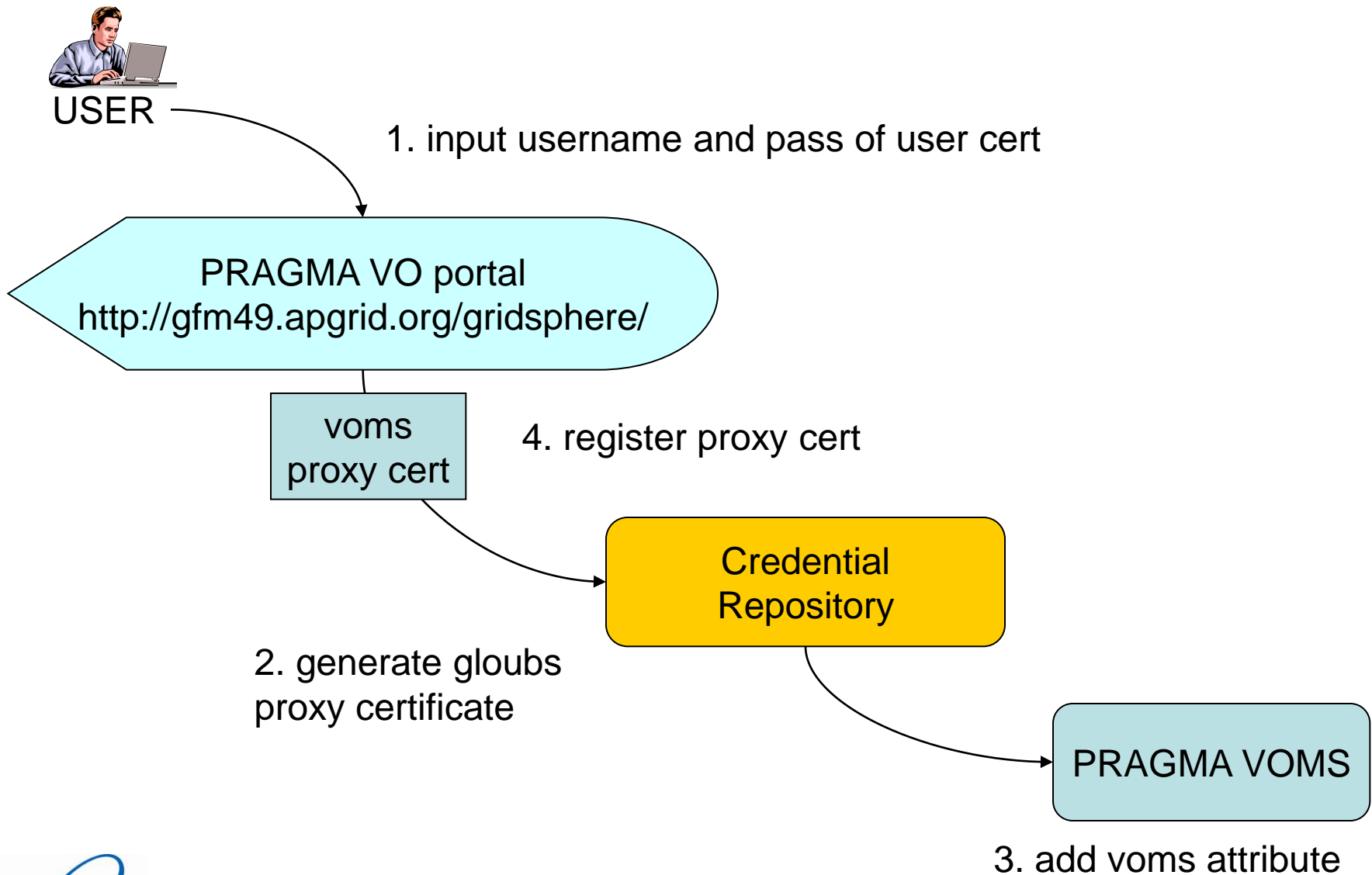
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Manages user credentials on the server side, instead of leaving it to inexperienced users.



VOMS Credential Portlet

VOMS Credential Portlet

--- Credential ---

subject : /C=JP/O=AIST/OU=GRID/CN=Naotaka YAMAMOTO

time left : 71 hours 59 minutes 55 seconds.

--- VOMS Extension Information ---

attribute : /PRAGMA

attribute : /PRAGMA/Geo

Same Identity

VOMS Credential Portlet

--- Credential ---

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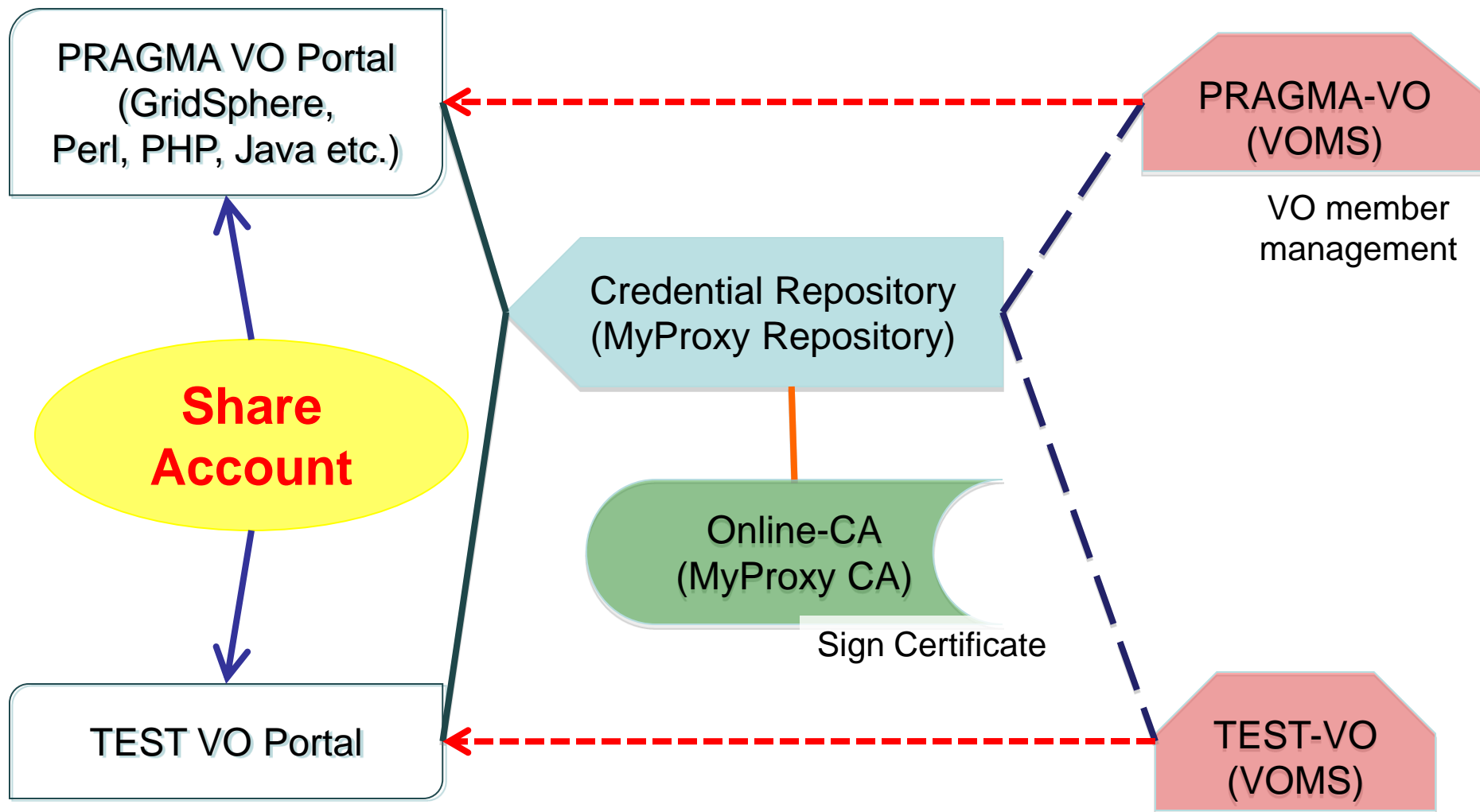
--- VOMS Extension Information ---

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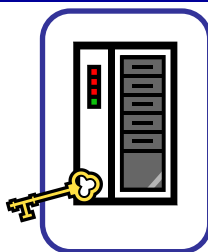
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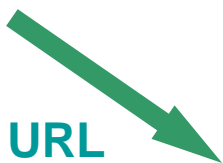
User

Password
for OpenID



OpenID Server

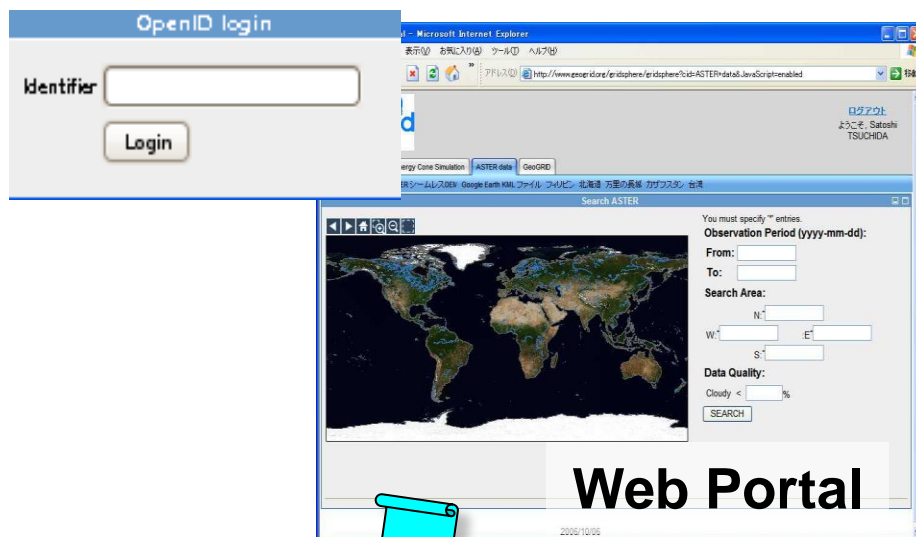
OpenID URL



Request short-lived
credential



MyProxy CA



Web Portal



- Account DB
- Credential Repository

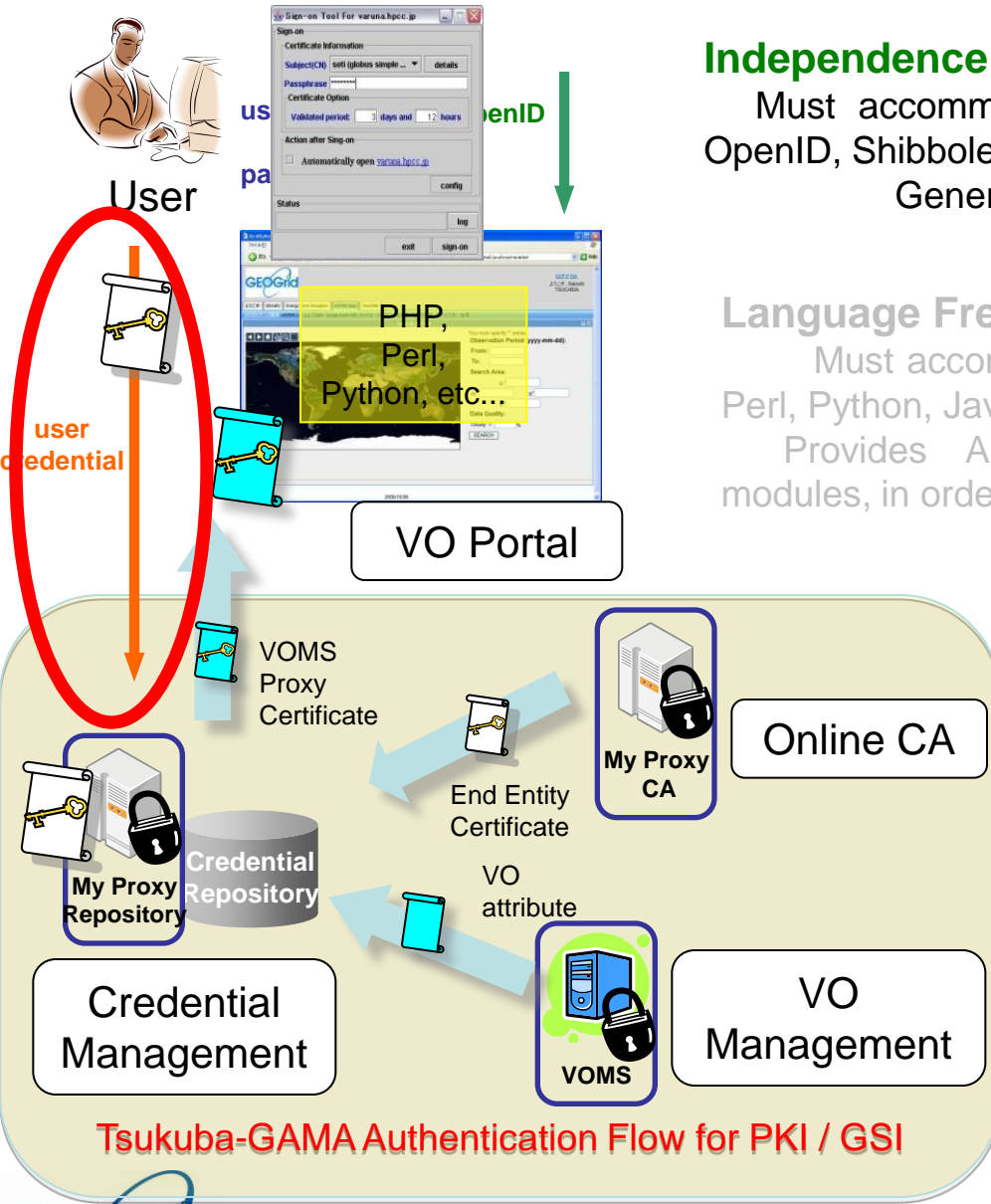


VOMS proxy



VO member
DB

VOMS server



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Credential Login

S Credential Portlet

Identity

subject : /C=JP/O=AIST/OU=GRID/CN=Naotaka YAMAMOTO
time left : 23 hours 59 minutes 56 seconds.

--- VOMS Extension Information ---

attribute : /testvo.geogrid.org/Role=NULL/Capability=NULL
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attribute : /testvo.geogrid.org/formosat2/Role=NULL/Capability=NULL
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OpenID Login

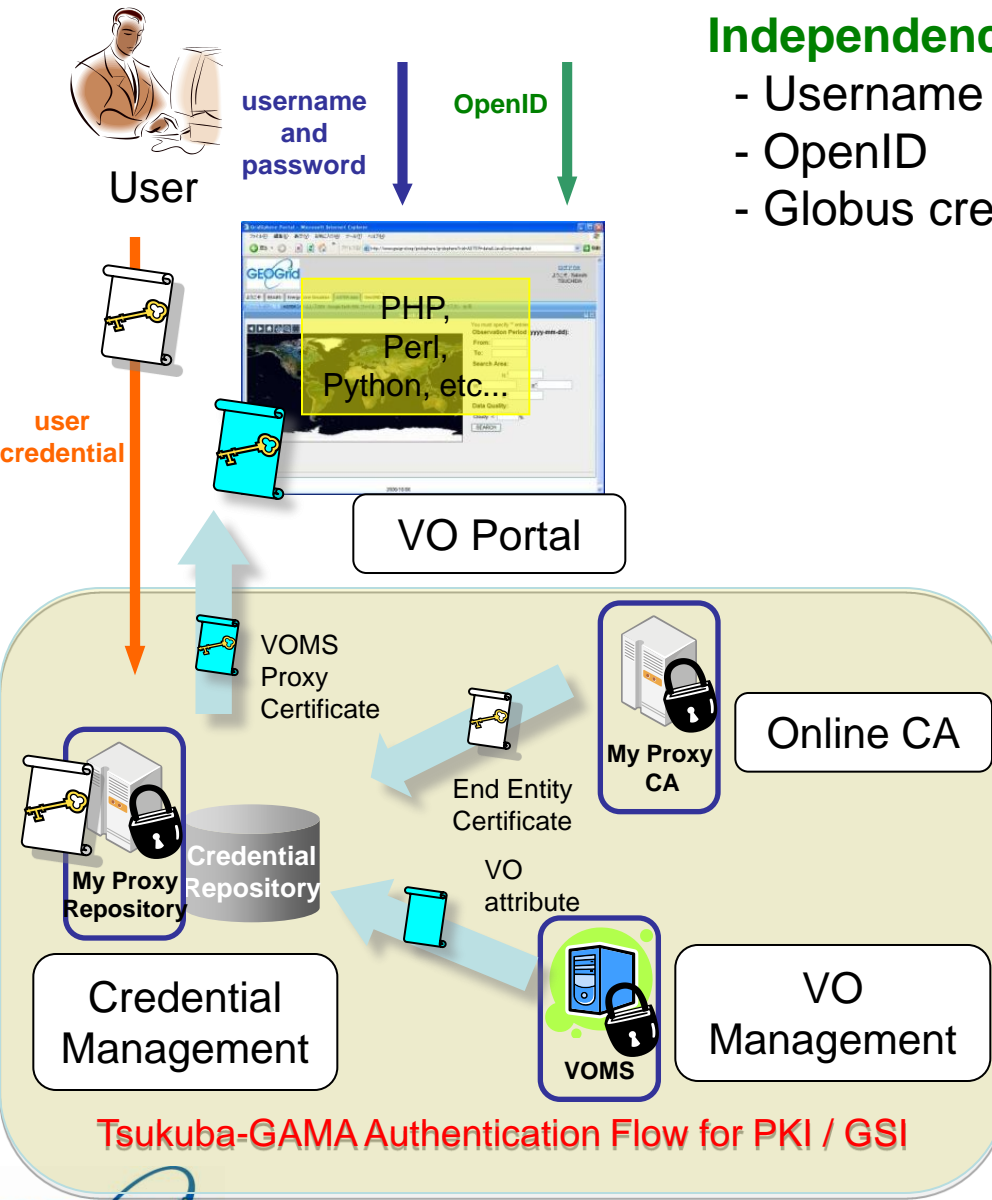
VOMS Credential Portlet

Same VO

subject : /O=Grid/OU=GlobusTest/OU=simpleCA-gfm37.apgrid.org/CN=Naotaka YAMAMOTO-o
time left : 11 hours 59 minutes 55 seconds.

--- VOMS Extension Information ---

attribute : /testvo.geogrid.org/Role=NULL/Capability=NULL



Independence from Authentication methods:

- Username and Password
- OpenID
- Globus credential

Language Free Portal Development:

- GridSphere / Satellite database federation
- Geographical portal / OpenLayers
- PHP, Perl

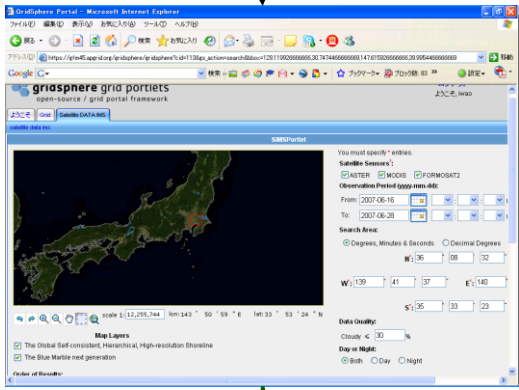
Credential Management:

- User does not need to manage their credentials
- User can use their certificate



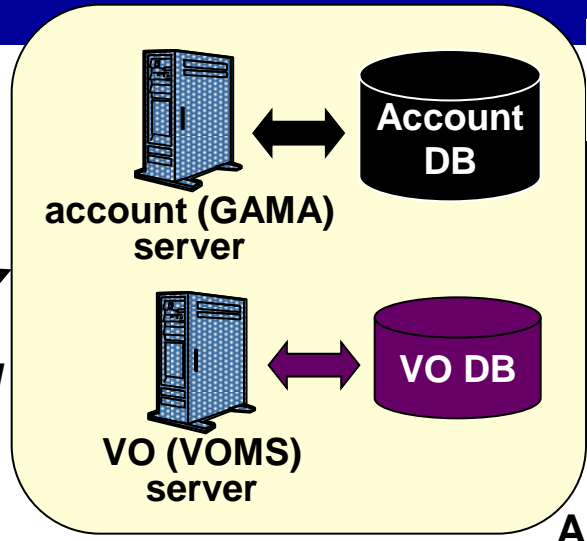
login

user

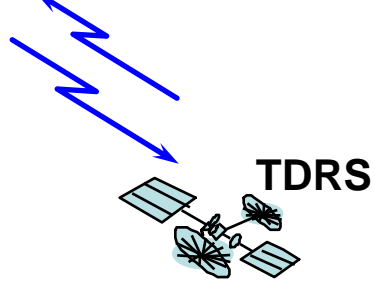


credential

portal server

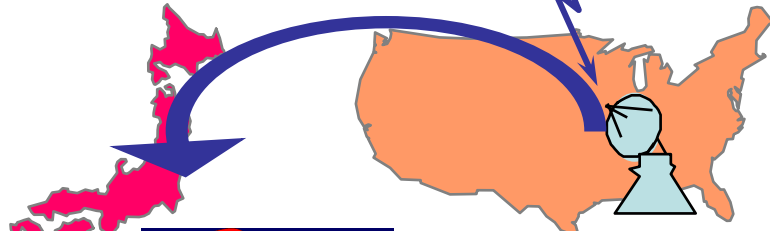


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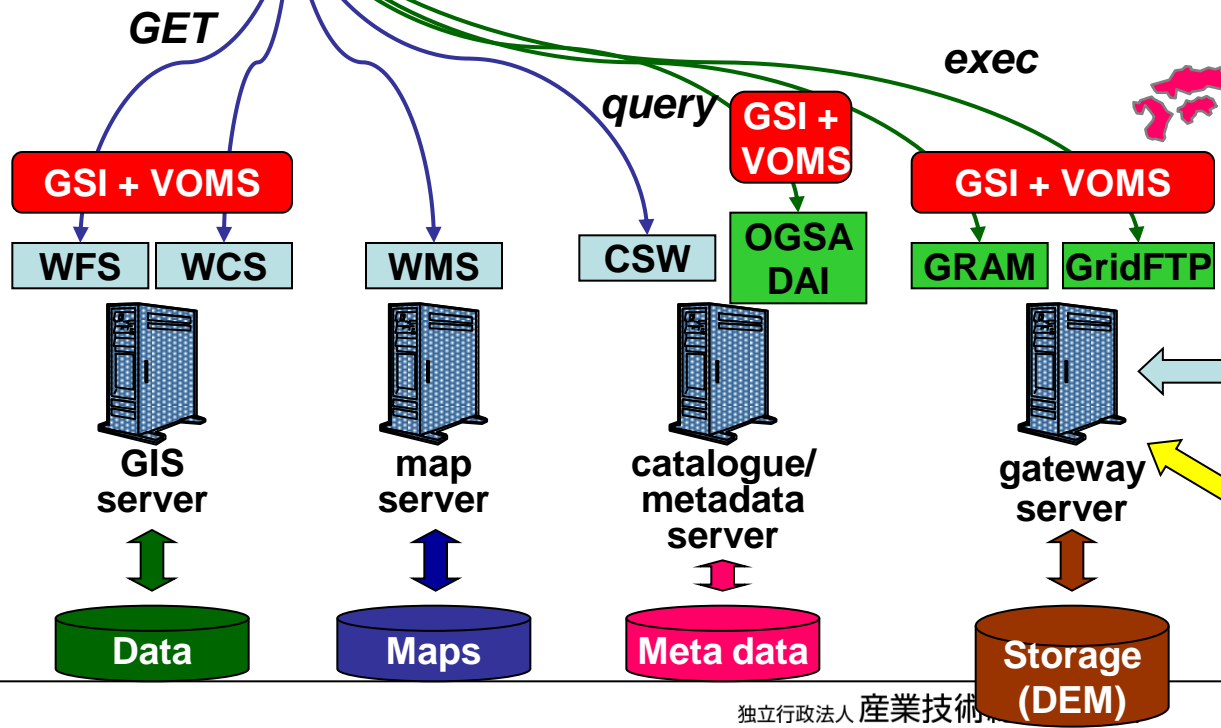


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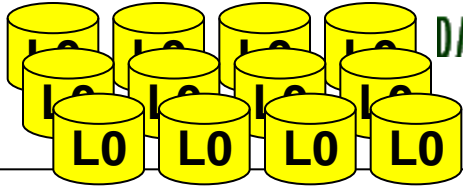
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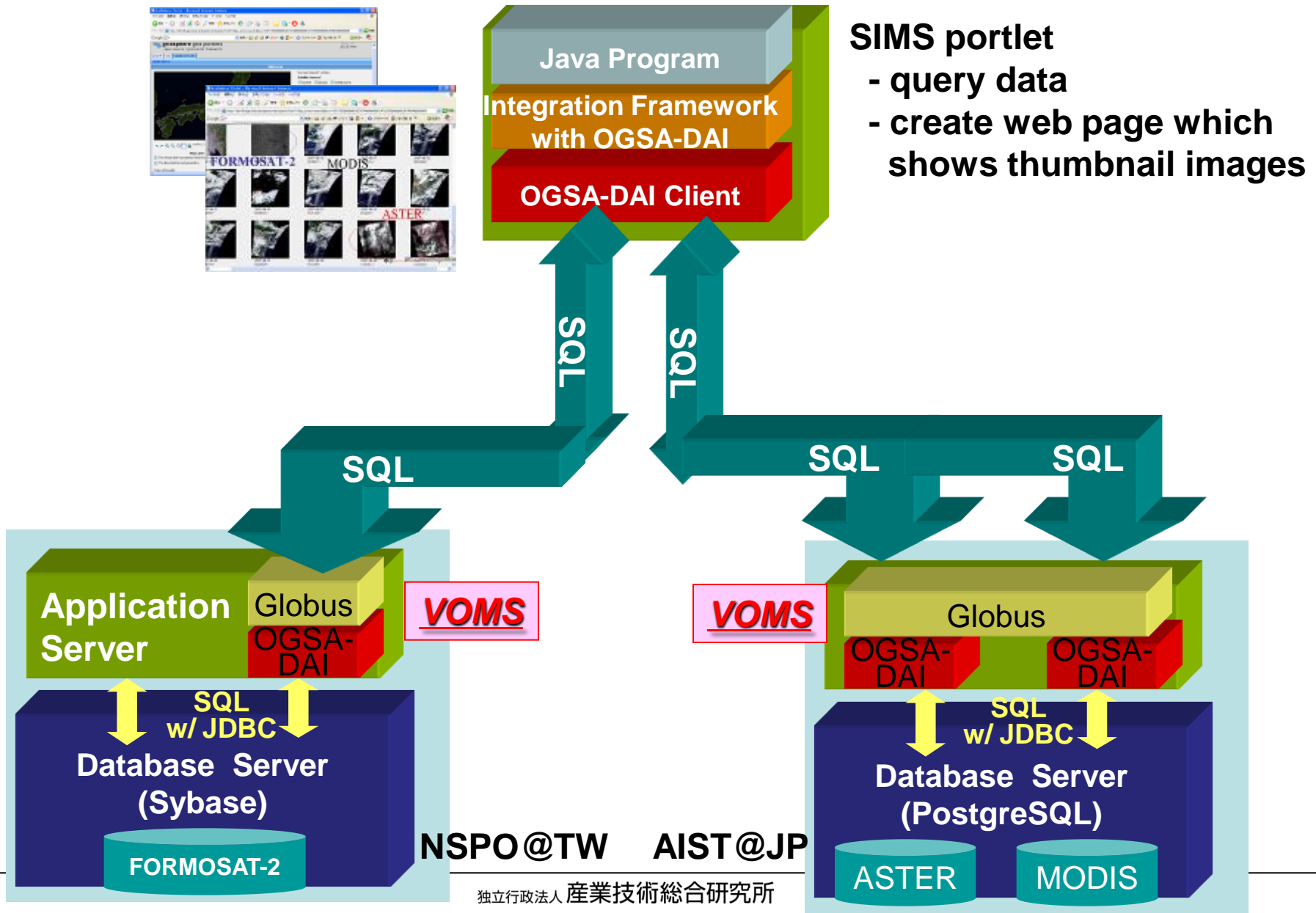
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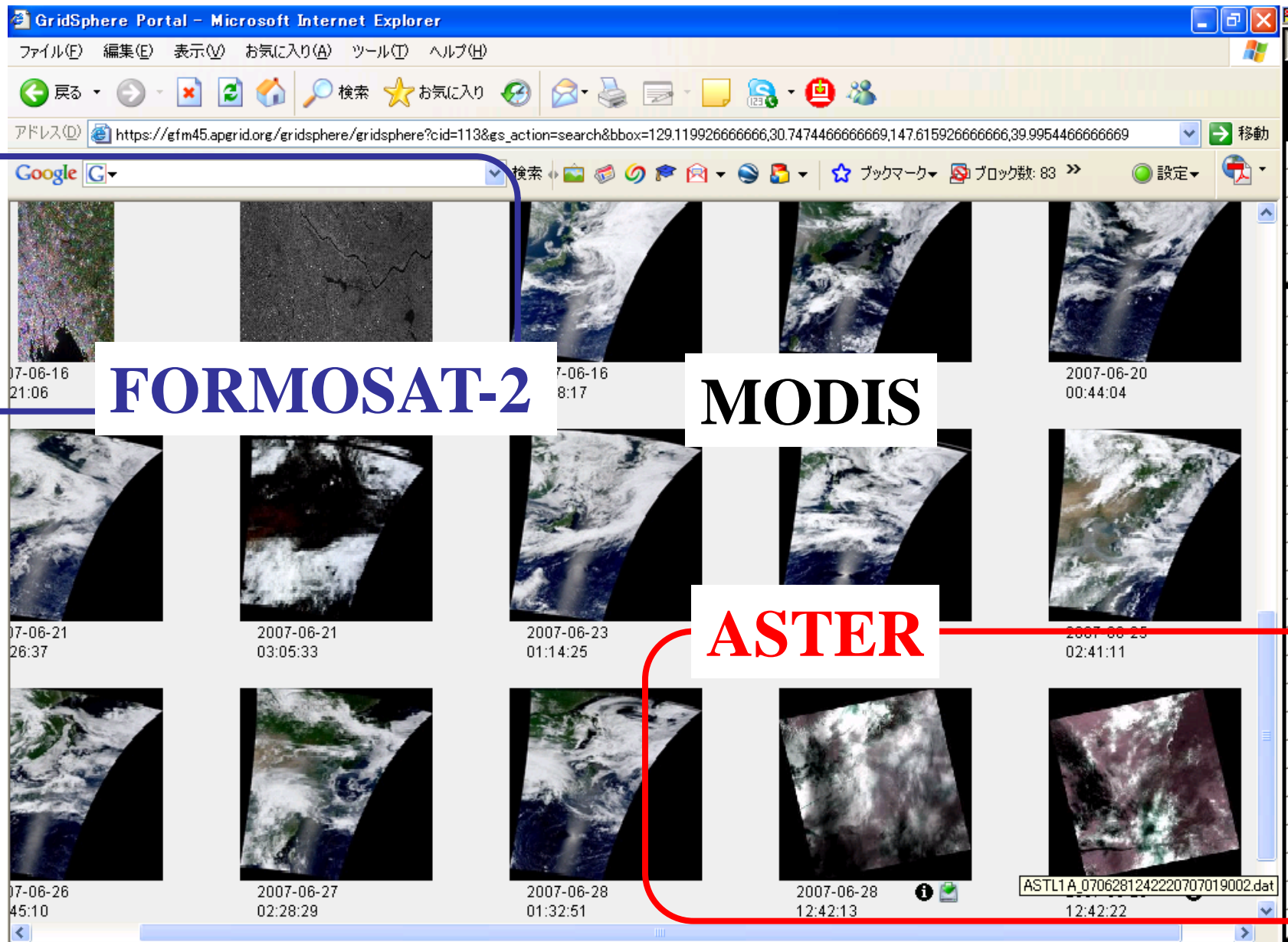


GEO Grid Cluster



Demo Environments in 2007 - SIMS (ASTER+MODIS+Formosat2)

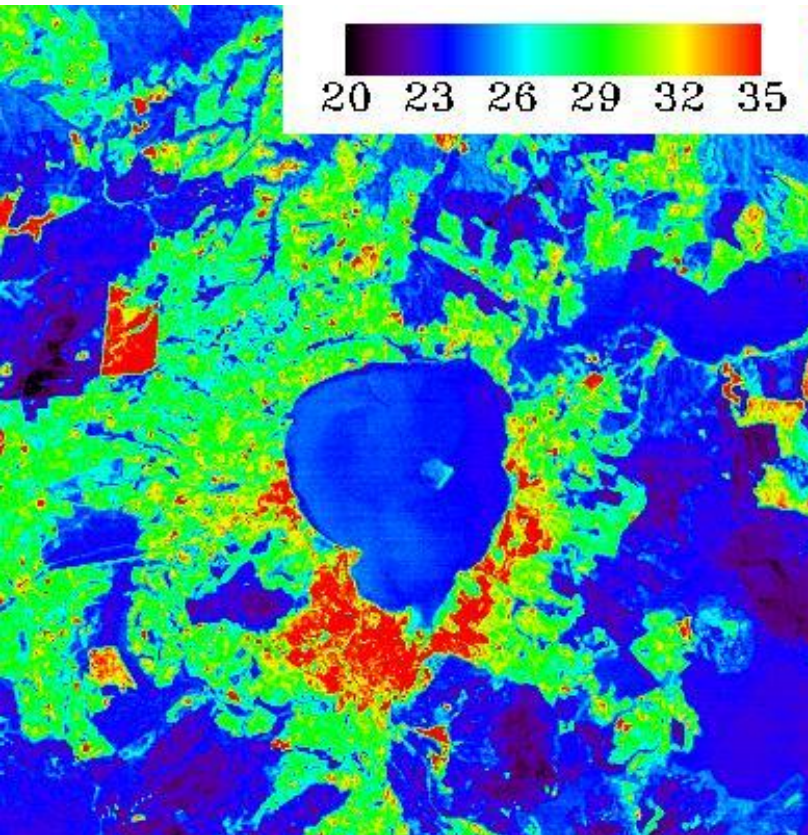




Collaboration with GLEON

- Cyber infrastructure to support limnology
 - Secure and privileged data access to ASTER/F-2 data (optionally MODIS)
 - Standard data search/access through OGC protocols
 - Common visualization tools to integrate remote sensing and in-situ data
 - Automatic match-up with ground water truth data
- Large-scale computations
 - Atmospheric corrections
 - Full scale simulations of lake metabolism assimilating satellite data

Synergy between Satellite imagery and in-situ data

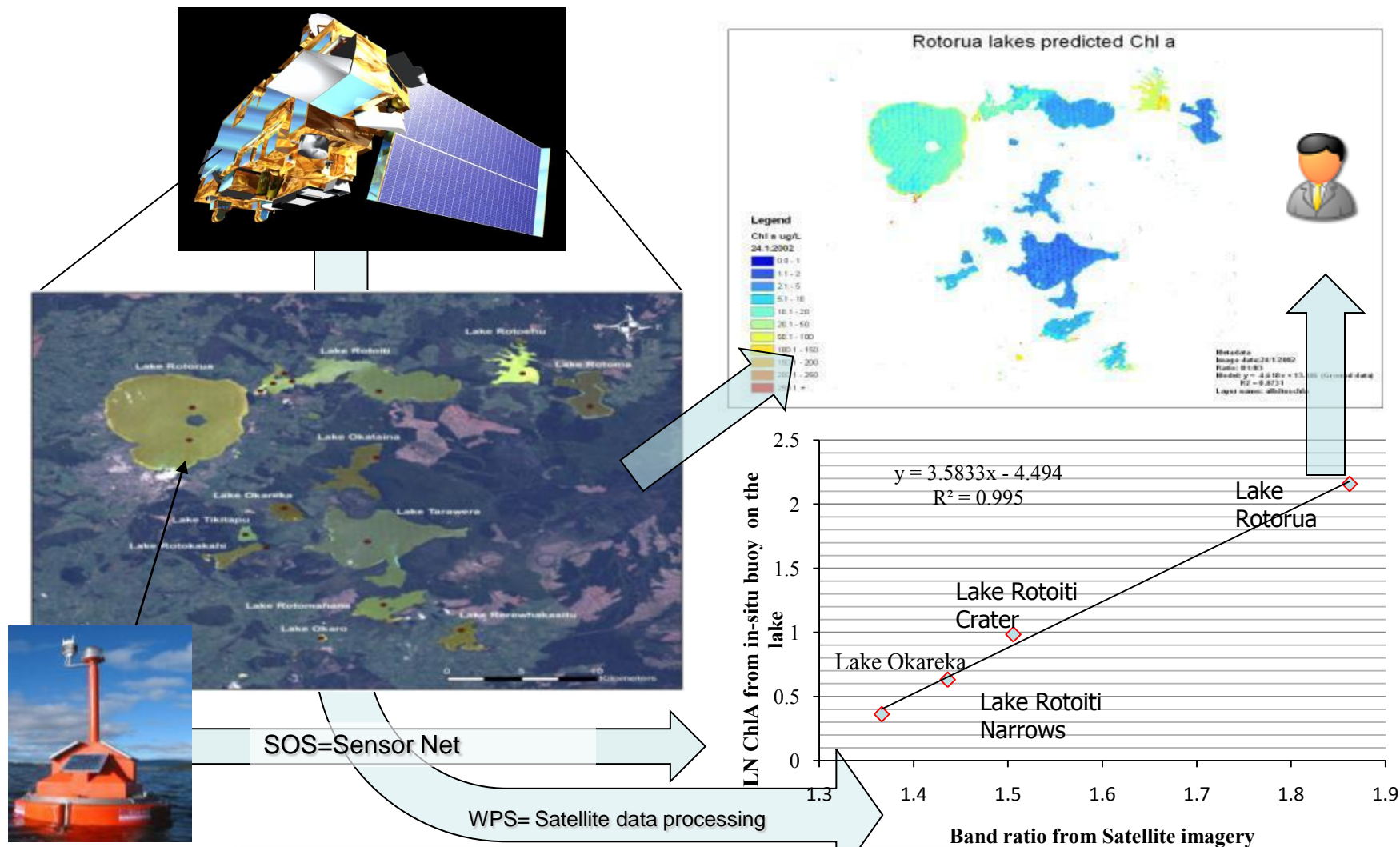


ASTER temperature map



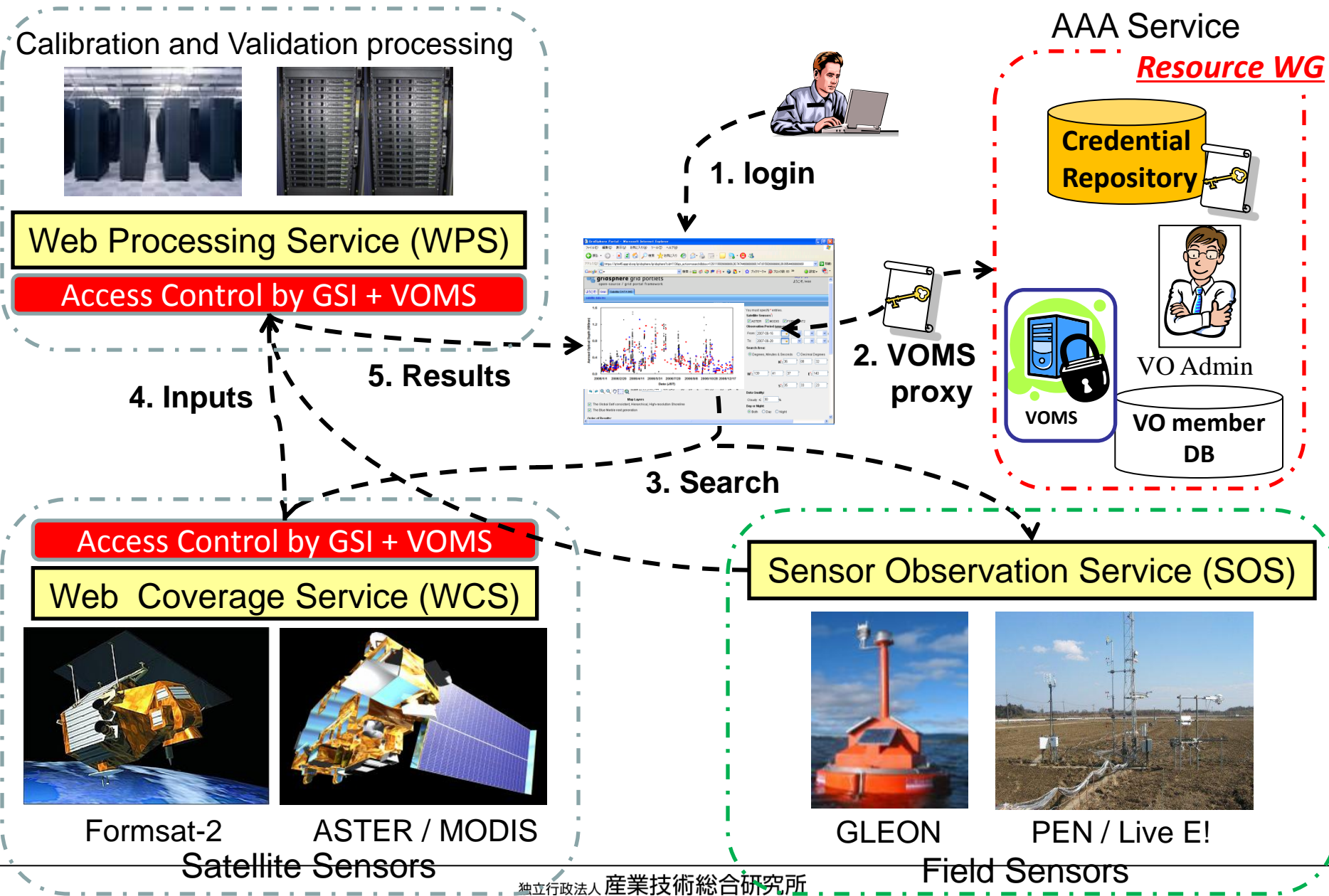
In-situ temperature measurements

Synergy of satellite and field data



Accurate water quality map production with GLEON

Calibration / validation of Satellite Data using Field Sensor Data



High Performance GIS

– Optimization of Stereo-Matching Software –

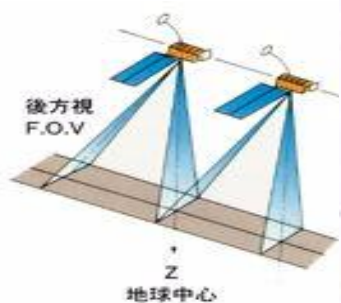
Background and Motivation

Strong demand for Earth science applications

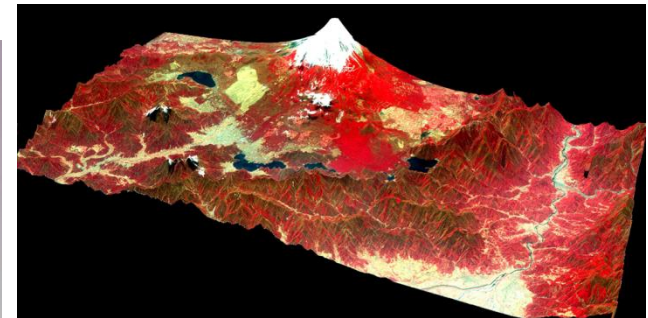
High-performance Geospatial information System (GIS) is expected to provide an innovative infrastructure for Earth Sciences, enabling near-real-time data and processing services.

DEM creation and Stereo-Matching

Stereo-matching software has often been used in generating a Digital Elevation Model (DEM) from a pair of satellite imagery data sets to compute height from parallax views using two photographic images.



DEM (Digital Elevation Model)



Optimization of Stereo-Matching Software

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Target architecture <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Heterogeneous (Cell) ▶ Homogeneous (Nehalem) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● How to optimize <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Manual optimization (Cell) ▶ OpenMP + Manual opt. (Nehalem) |
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Analysis of the program(outline)

Outline

- ▶ Compare image data from different sensors
 - @ Calculate correlative coefficient and identify spots.
 - @ Complement missing data and generate altitude.

Pre processing

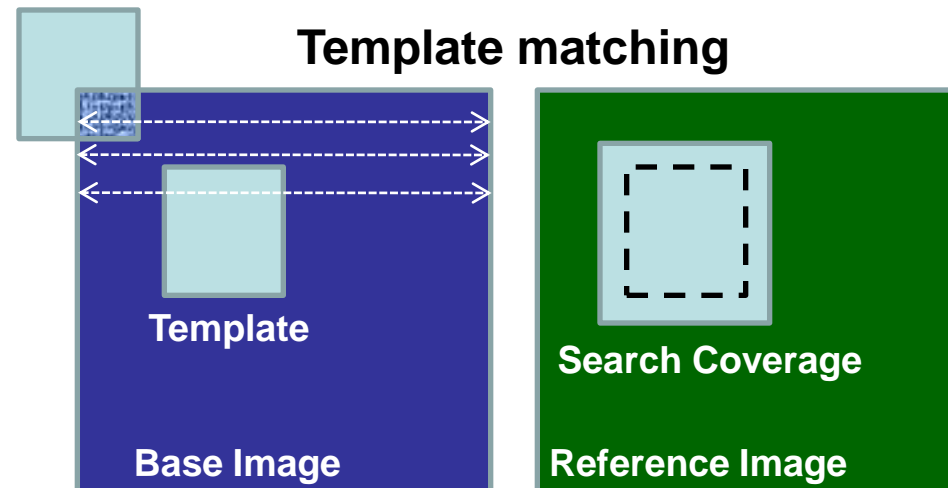
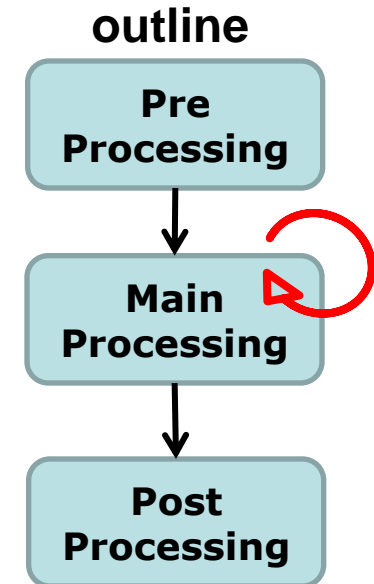
- ▶ Input data
- ▶ Initialize structures

Main processing

- ▶ Template Matching
 - @ Compare two images and identify spots.
- ▶ Interpolation
 - @ Complement missing data
- ▶ Median Filtering
 - @ Remove noise
- ▶ Other filtering
- ▶ Output data

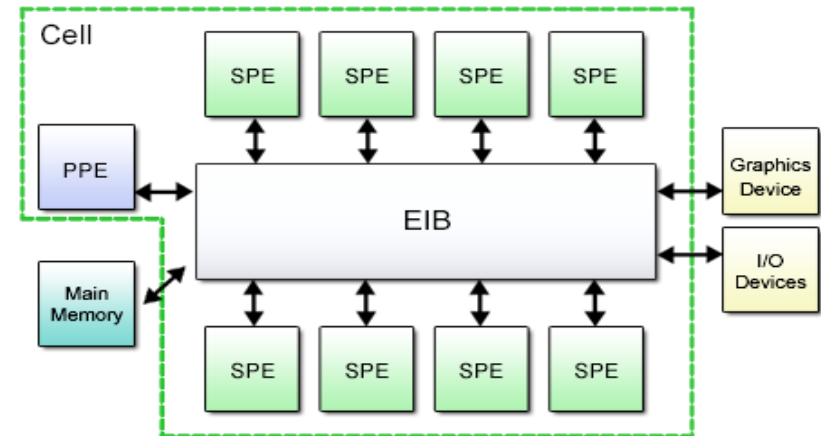
Post processing

- ▶ Free buffers



What we did

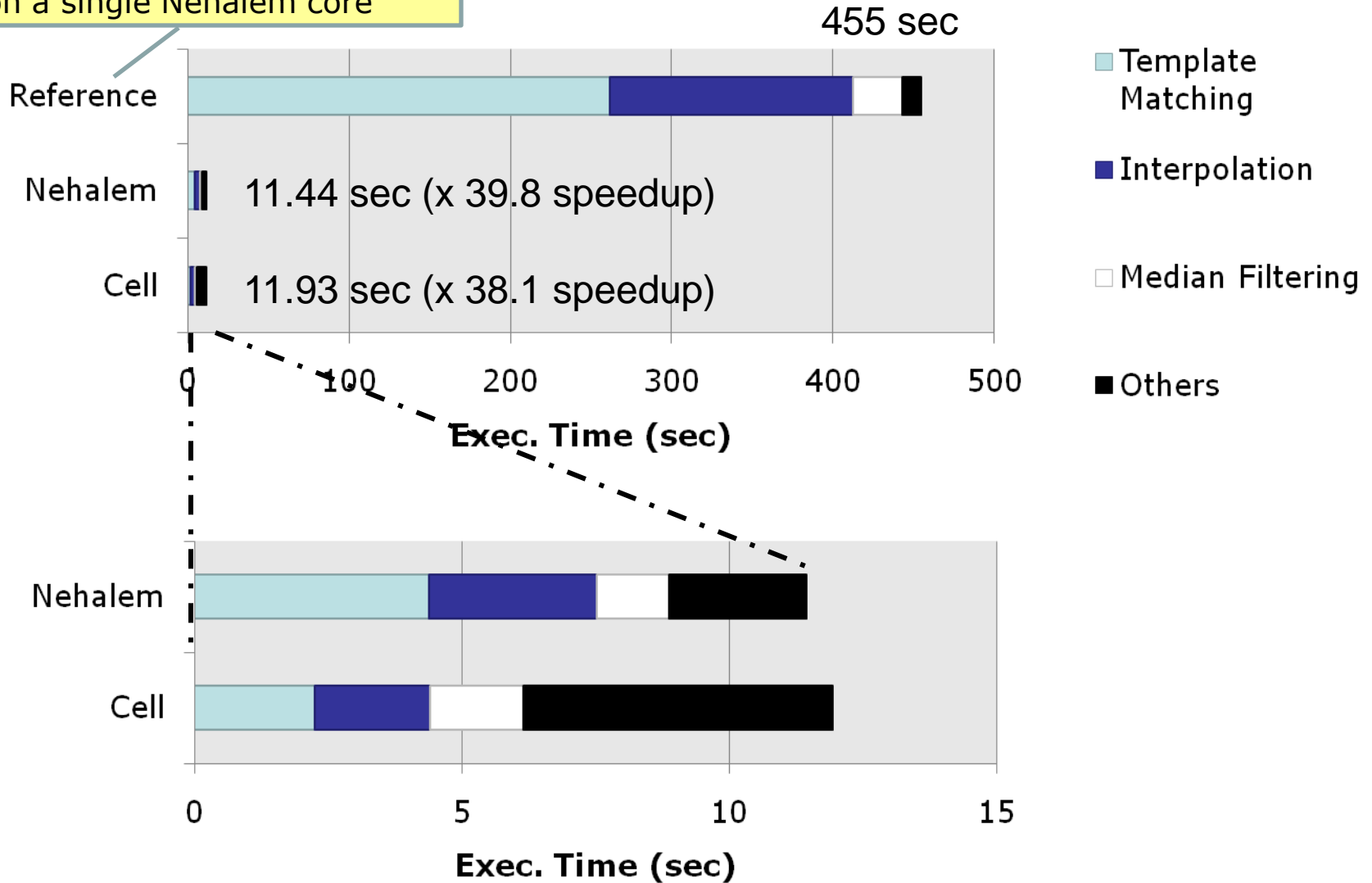
- Optimized Stereo-matching software on multicore processors
- Target architecture
 - ▶ Heterogeneous (Cell)
 - ▶ Homogeneous (Nehalem)
- How to optimize
 - ▶ Manual optimization (Cell)
 - ▶ OpenMP + Manual optimization (Nehalem)
- Platforms



Platform	Processor	#CPU	memory	#core
IBM BladeCenter QS22	IBM PowerXCell 8i (3.2 GHz)	2	8GB	2 PPE + 16 SPE
HP Z800 Workstation	Intel Xeon X5500 (2.66 GHz)	2	4GB	8

Results of the optimization

Exec. time of the original program
on a single Nehalem core



Summary of GEO Grid

- GEO Grid enables federation of heterogeneous distributed databases and high-performance computation with appropriate access control.
- The system is already used by real GEO science applications.
 - Environmental monitoring
 - Recovery from disasters
 - Natural resource discovery
 - ...
- Will continue R&D for new features and improvements of the system.
- The system is useful not only for GEO Science but the other sciences which need federation of distributed databases and computations.
 - Bio Science, Medical Science, Astronomy, ...

Summary

- Key of e-Science is to include not only computing resources but also other resources such as storage, networks, equipments, etc.
- Data and computation are provided as “services” via standard protocols and APIs.
- Such services are integrated and provided to users with appropriate access control but as if they are in a single organization.
- We expect to see new discovery by e-Science.