

# SAGA

## A Simple and Powerful Abstraction Layer

SAGA - the *Simple API for Grid Applications* is a proposed recommendation of the Open Grid Forum (OGF) and defines a high-level programmatic interface for developers of Distributed Applications. The fundamental idea of SAGA is to lower the barrier for applications and application scientists to utilize distributed infrastructure by providing a simple and uniform interface to the most often required functionality in order to construct general purpose, extensible, dynamic and scalable applications.

## Implementation

The SAGA team at CCT strives to implement a fully OGF compliant SAGA C++ reference implementation including the runtime system, middleware adaptors and API language bindings for Python and C [I. fig.]. Currently, the implementation comprises the functional packages and middleware adaptors for:

- Job Submission & Management (Globus GRAM, OMII GridSAM, Condor, Fork)
- Filesystem Access (Local Filesystems, Globus GridFTP)
- Replica Management (SQL-based, Globus RLS)
- Advert Services (SQL-based)
- Checkpoint & Recovery Services (Migol)
- Stream Handling
- Remote Procedure Calls

## Enabling Distributed Application

SAGA can support a wide range of applications types [r. fig]. SHANTENU - Any ideas for this paragraph. 1 or 2 sentences maybe mentioning SAGA projects like REMDManager, Kalman, etc... ? Or something completely different? .... bla bla... for more information, please see: <http://saga.cct.lsu.edu>

