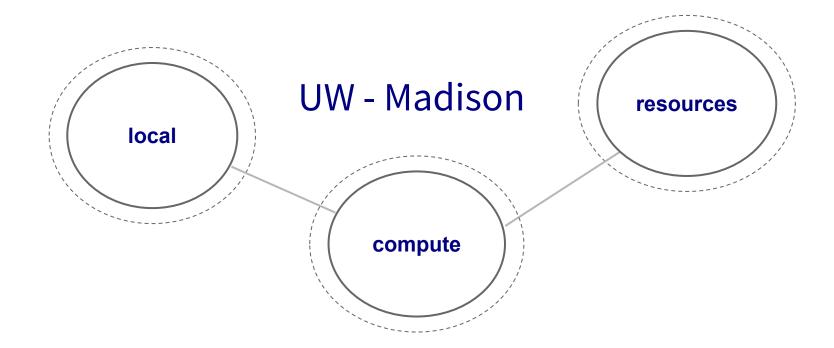


Introduction to DHTC

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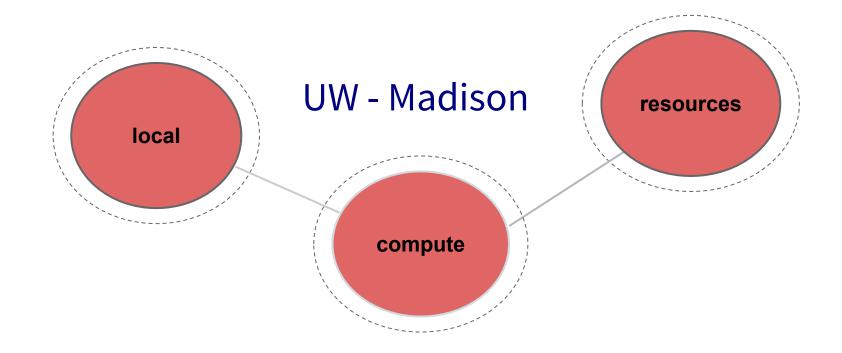


Local High Throughput Computing





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How do you get more computing resources?



#1: Buy Hardware



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- Great for specific hardware/privacy requirements
- Costs \$\$\$
 - Initial cost
 - Maintenance
 - Management
 - Power and cooling
- Takes time
- Rack/floor space
- Obsolescence
- Plan for peak loads, pay for all loads



#2: Use the Cloud



#2: Use the Cloud - Pay per cycle

- e.g. Amazon Web Services, Google Compute Engine, Microsoft Azure, Rackspace
- Fast spin-up
- Costs \$\$\$
- Still needs expertise + management
 - Easier than in the past with the condor_annex tool
- Does it fit with your institution's policies?



#2: Use the Cloud - 'Managed' clouds

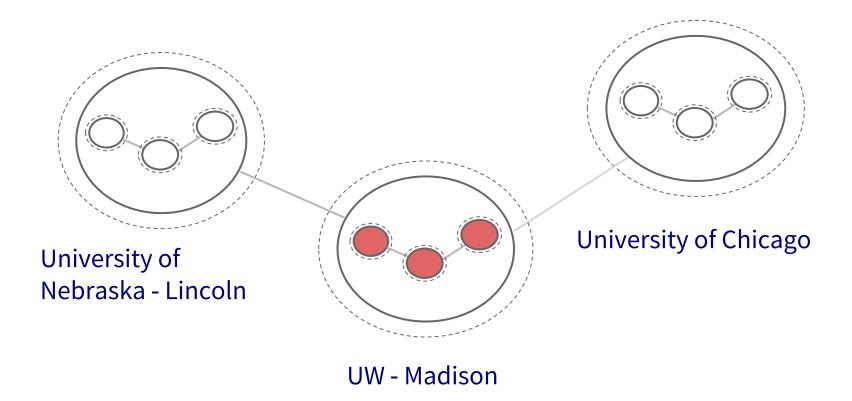
- e.g. Cycle Computing, Globus Genomics
- Pay someone to manage your cloud resources still costs \$\$\$
- Researchers and industry have used this to great success
 - Using Docker, HTCondor, and AWS for EDA Model Development
 - Optimizations in running large-scale Genomics workloads in Globus Genomics using HTCondor
 - HTCondor in the enterprise
 - HTCondor at Cycle Computing: Better Answers. Faster.



#3: Share Resources



#3: Share Resources - Distributed HTC





i. Manual Job Partitioning

Let's start sharing!

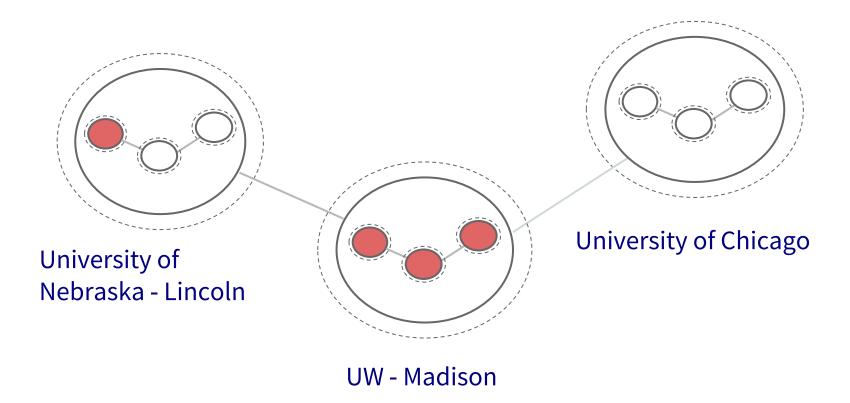


Manual Partitions

- Obtain sharing agreements
- Query each site for idle resources
- Partition and submit jobs based on availability

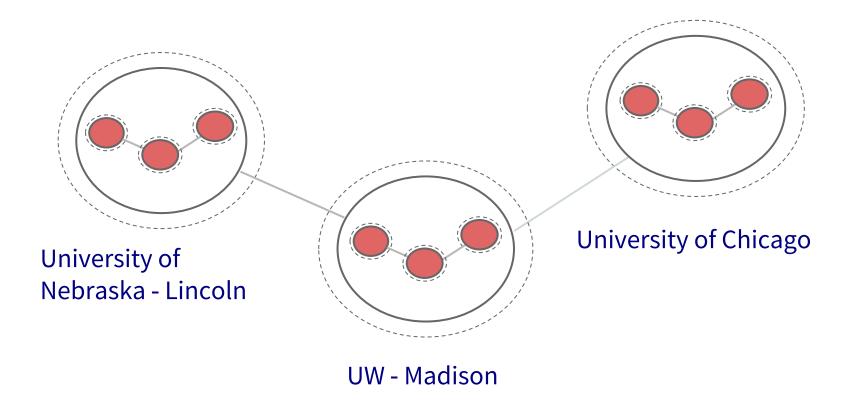


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Manual Partitions - Shortcomings

- Querying and partitioning is tedious and inaccurate
- Are you allowed to share? Do you have anything to share?
- Not all sites use HTCondor other job schedulers e.g., SLURM, PBS, etc.
- Pools are independent workflows must be confined to a single pool



ii.

Automatic Job Partitioning

Let the computers do the work



Automatic Partitions - Shortcomings



Homer: Kids: there's three ways to do things; the right way, the wrong way and the Max Power way!

Bart: Isn't that the wrong way?

Homer: Yeah, but faster!

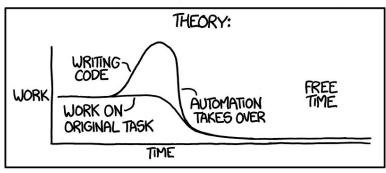
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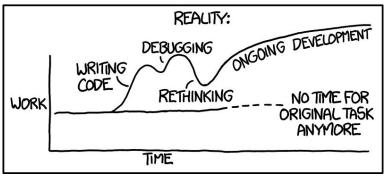
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Automatic Partitions - Shortcomings

"I SPEND A LOT OF TIME ON THIS TASK.
I SHOULD WRITE A PROGRAM AUTOMATING IT!"





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#3: Share Resources - Requirements

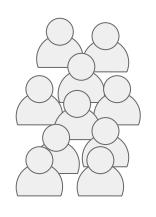
- Minimal account management
- No manual job partitioning
- DAG workflow functionality
- Don't have to learn additional job schedulers
- Don't have to share our own resources



iii. Overlay Systems

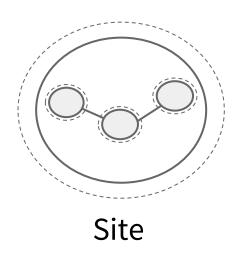
Let the OSG do the heavy lifting



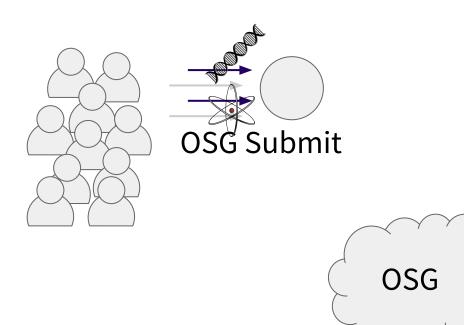


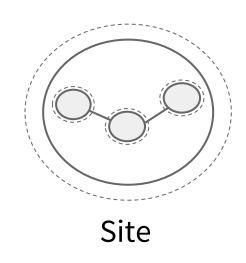




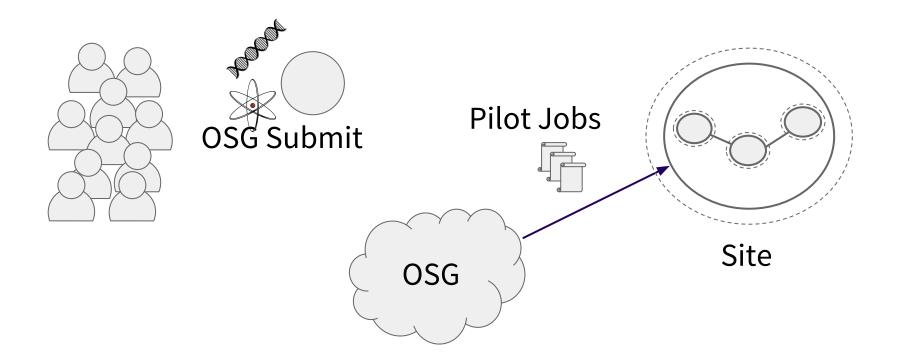




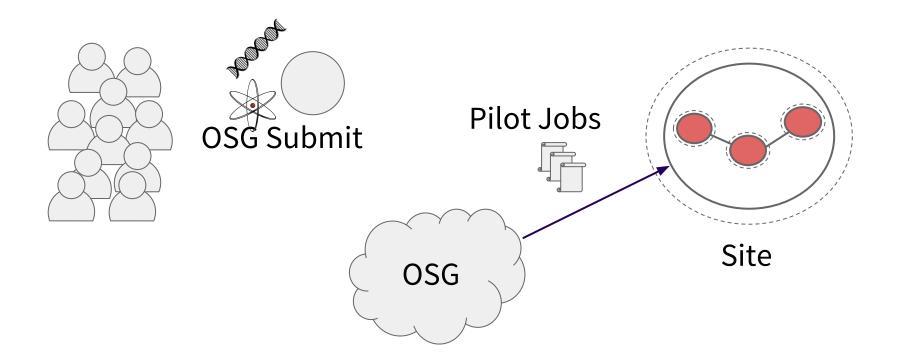








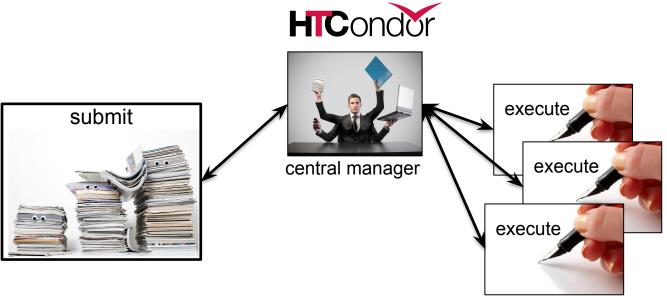




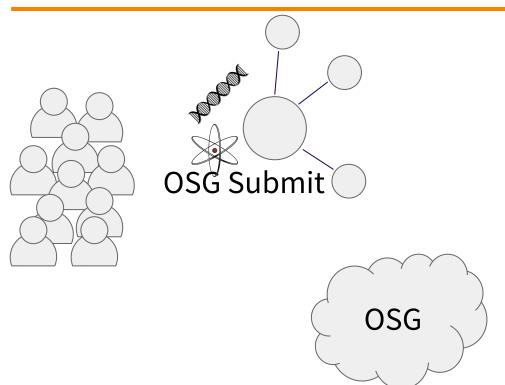


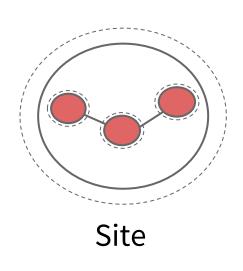
Job Matching

 On a regular basis, the central manager reviews Job and Machine attributes and matches jobs to slots.









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The OSG Model - Jobs in Jobs



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- Pilot jobs (or pilots) are special jobs
- Pilots are sent to sites with idle resources
- Pilot payload = HTCondor execute node software
- Pilot execute node reports to your OSG pool
- Pilots lease resources:
 - Lease expires after a set amount of time or lack of demand
 - Leases can be revoked!



The OSG Model - Leasing the Cloud

- What if there aren't enough idle resources?
- Combine overlay system with cloud technology
- Expect some of your OSG jobs to automatically run in the cloud in the next few years
- ... but this should be completely transparent to you



The OSG Model - Collection of Pools

- Your OSG pool is just one of many
- Separate pools for each [virtual] organization (VO)
- Your jobs will be running on the OSG VO pool



The OSG Model - Getting Access

- During the school:
 - OSG submit node at UW (exercises)
 - OSG submit node via OSG Connect (Thursday)
- After the school:
 - Both of the above
 - VO-hosted submit nodes
 - Institution integration with the OSG



Thanks!

Questions?