

nextflow

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Seamless data pipelines at scale

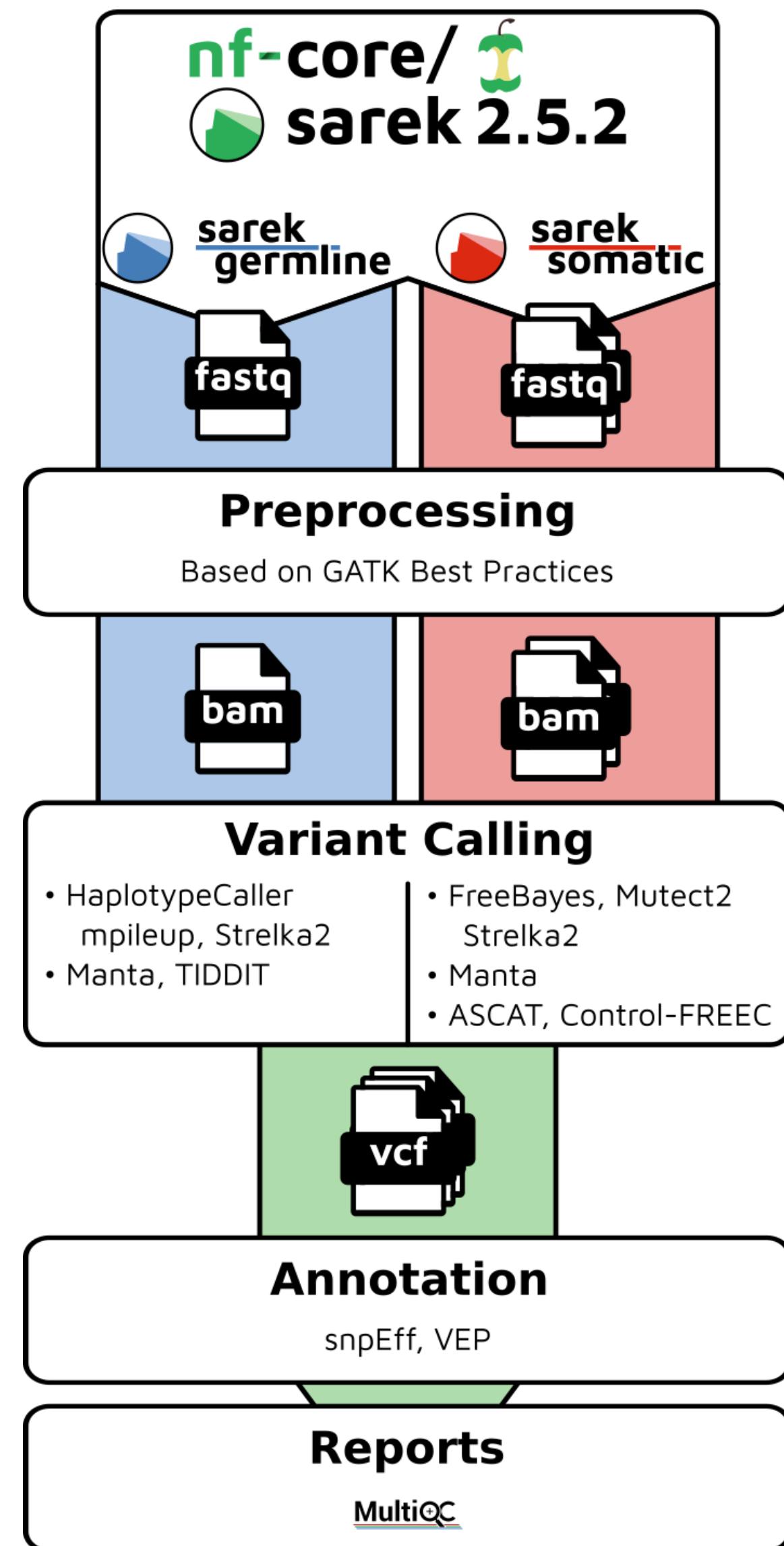
Project Mission

- Deploy anywhere, securely
- Enable best-practise software engineering
- Operate from GUI to API



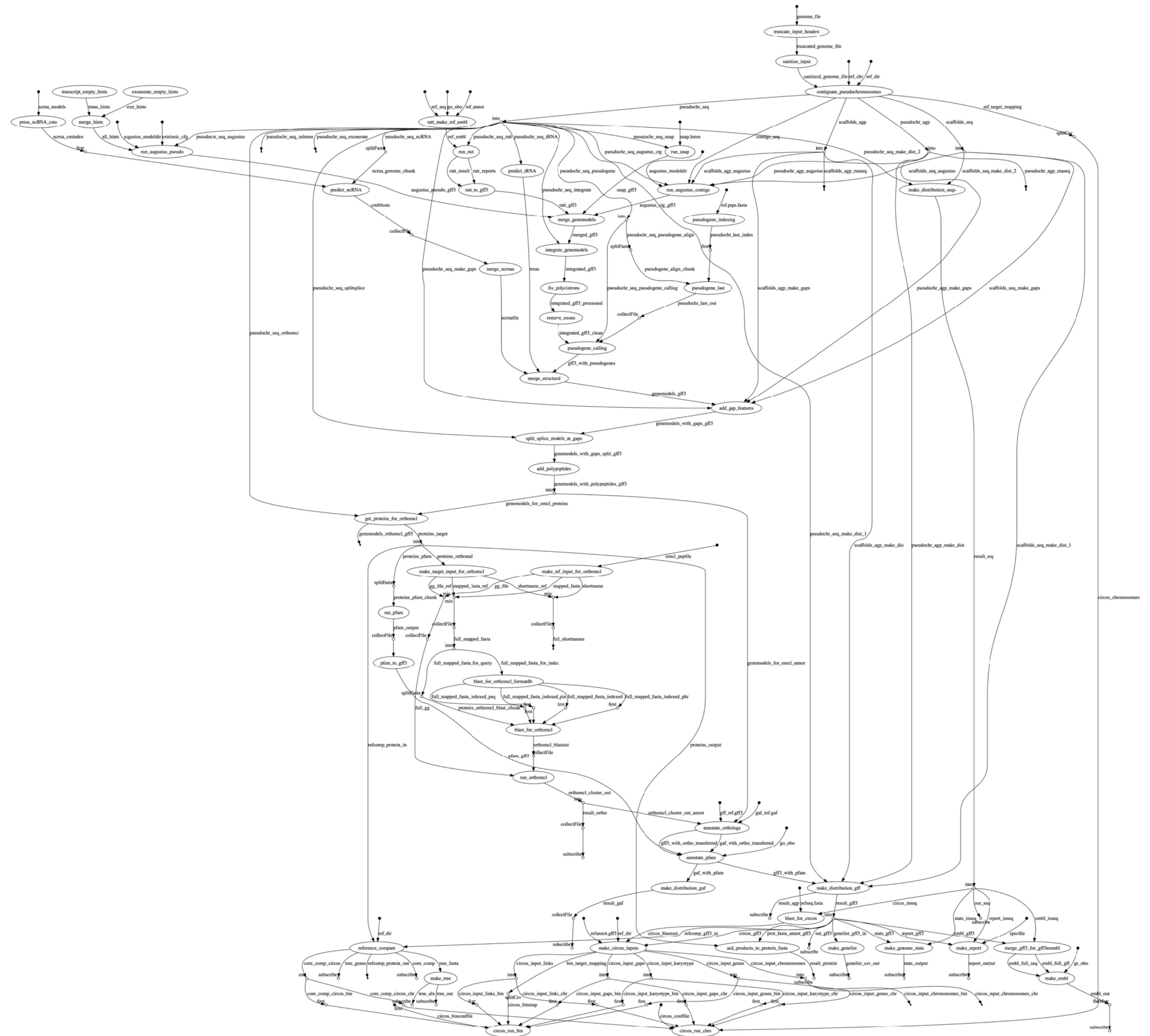
NGS Variant Calling

<https://github.com/nf-core/sarek>



Parasite Genome Annotation

<https://github.com/sanger-pathogens/companion>



What is Nextflow?

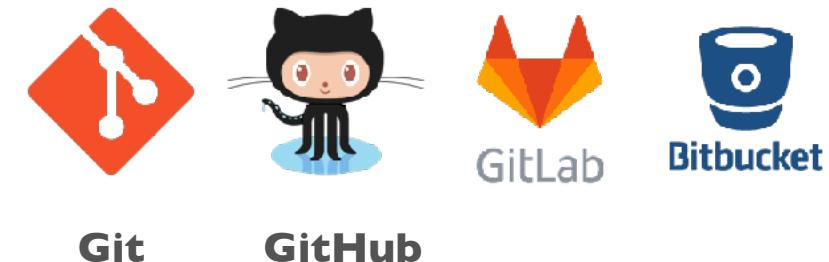
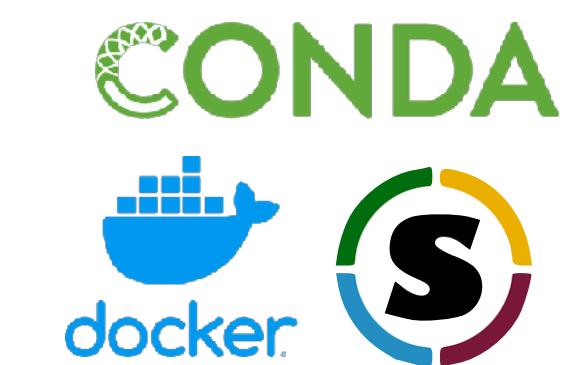
nextflow script

Write code
in any language.



Define orchestration with
dataflow programming.

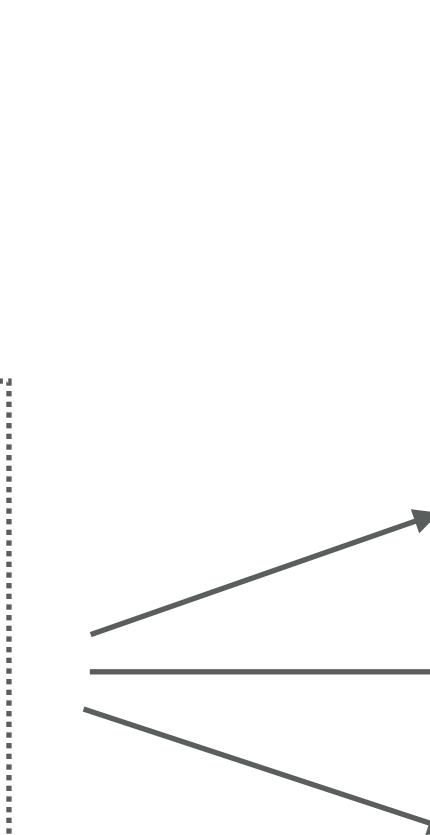
Define software
dependencies
with containers.



Version
control.

nextflow runtime

Orchestration of tasks to
deploy anywhere with ease.



PBS Works™

Task example

```
bwa mem reference.fa sample.fq \  
| samtools sort -o sample.bam
```

Task example

```
process align_sample {

    input:
    path 'reference.fa' from genome_ch
    path 'sample.fq' from reads_ch

    output:
    path 'sample.bam' into bam_ch

    script:
    """
    bwa mem reference.fa sample.fq \
        | samtools sort -o sample.bam
    """

}
```

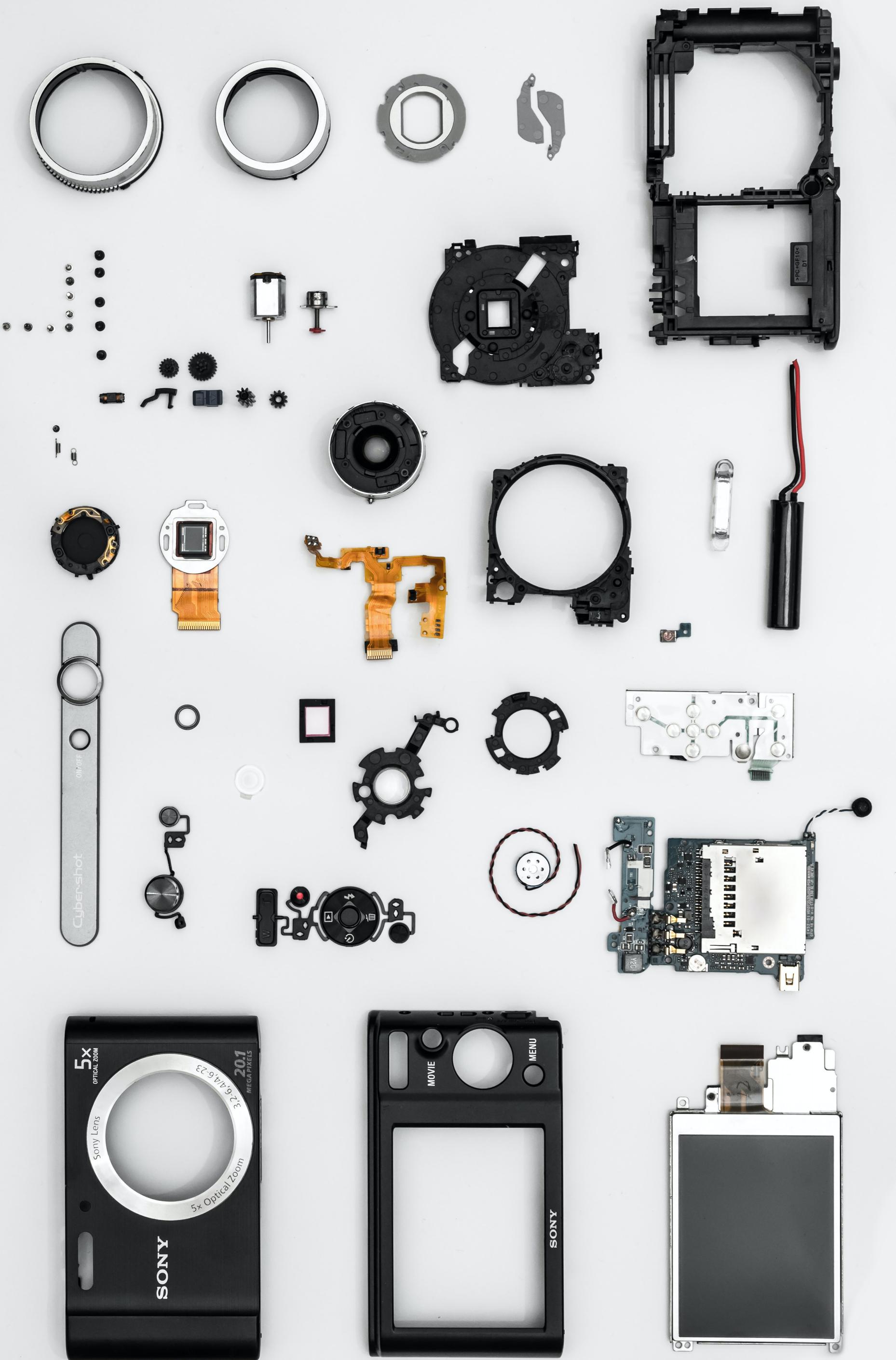
Task composition

```
process align_sample {  
  
    input:  
    file 'reference.fa' from genome_ch  
    file 'sample.fq' from reads_ch  
  
    output:  
    file 'sample.bam' into bam_ch  
  
    script:  
    """  
    bwa mem reference.fa sample.fq \  
        | samtools sort -o sample.bam  
    """  
}
```

```
process index_sample {  
  
    input:  
    file 'sample.bam' from bam_ch  
  
    output:  
    file 'sample.bai' into bai_ch  
  
    script:  
    """  
    samtools index sample.bam  
    """  
}
```

How does it work?

- **Fast prototyping** ⇒ custom DSL that enables tasks composition, simplifies most use cases + general purpose programming language for corner cases
- **Easy parallelisation** ⇒ declarative reactive programming model based on dataflow paradigm, implicit portable parallelism
- **Self-contained** ⇒ functional approach, a task execution is idempotent ie. cannot modify the state of other tasks + isolate dependencies with containers
- **Portable deployments** ⇒ executor abstraction layer + deployment configuration from implementation logic



DSL2

A major revision of the Nextflow DSL

- Pipeline modularisation
- Component reuse
- Fluent definition of recurrent implementation patterns

Nextflow syntax - DSL 2

task

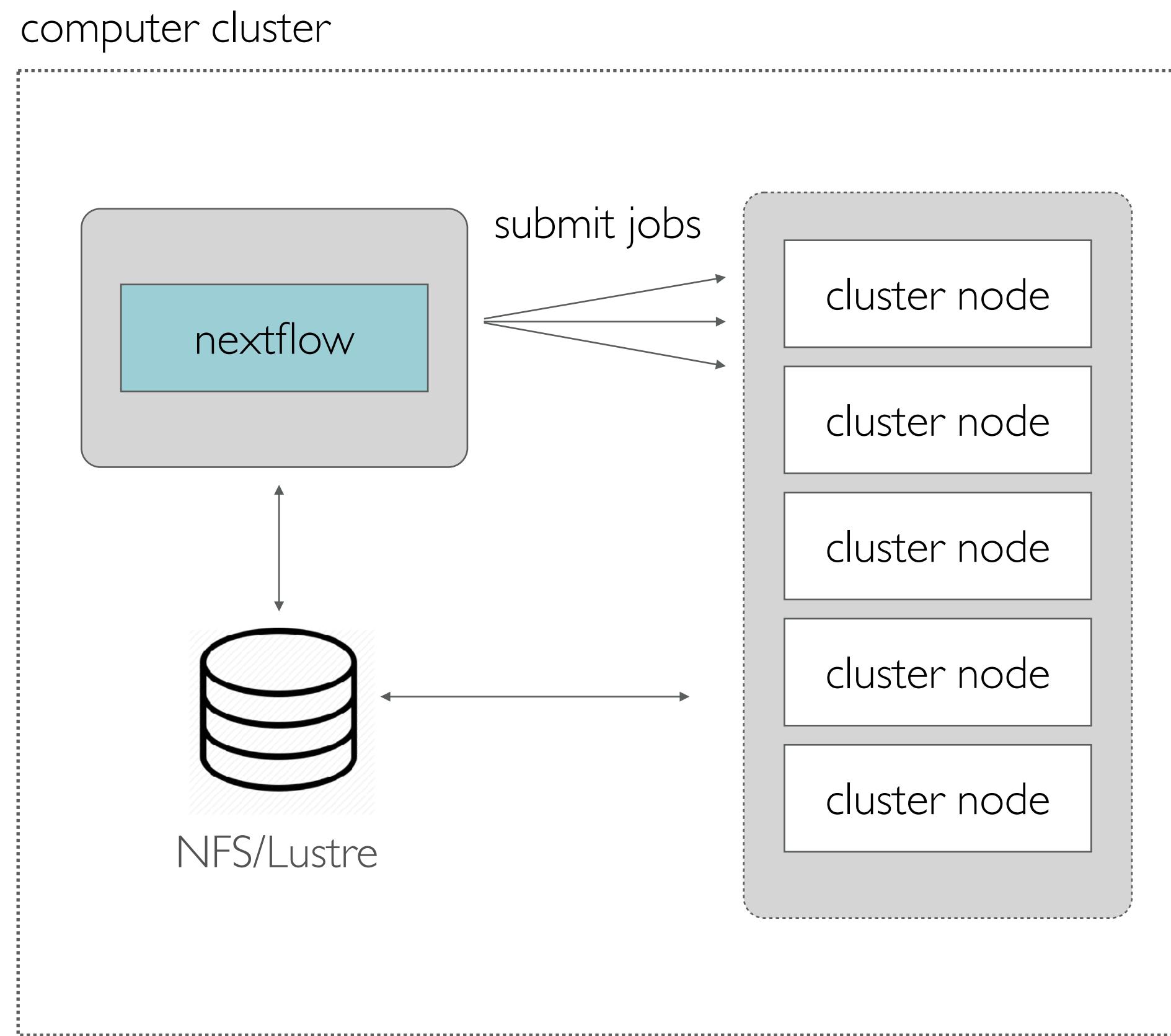
```
process QUANT {  
    input:  
        path index  
        tuple val(pair_id), path(reads)  
  
    output:  
        path pair_id  
  
    script:  
        """  
            salmon quant -i $index \  
                -1 ${reads[0]} \  
                -2 ${reads[1]} \  
                -o $pair_id  
        """  
}
```

workflow

```
params.outdir = 'results'  
  
include { INDEX } from './index'  
include { QUANT } from './quant'  
include { FASTQC } from './fastqc'  
  
workflow RNASEQ {  
    take:  
        transcriptome  
        read_pairs_ch  
  
    main:  
        INDEX(transcriptome)  
        FASTQC(read_pairs_ch)  
        QUANT(INDEX.out, read_pairs_ch)  
  
    emit:  
        QUANT.out | concat(FASTQC.out) | collect  
}
```

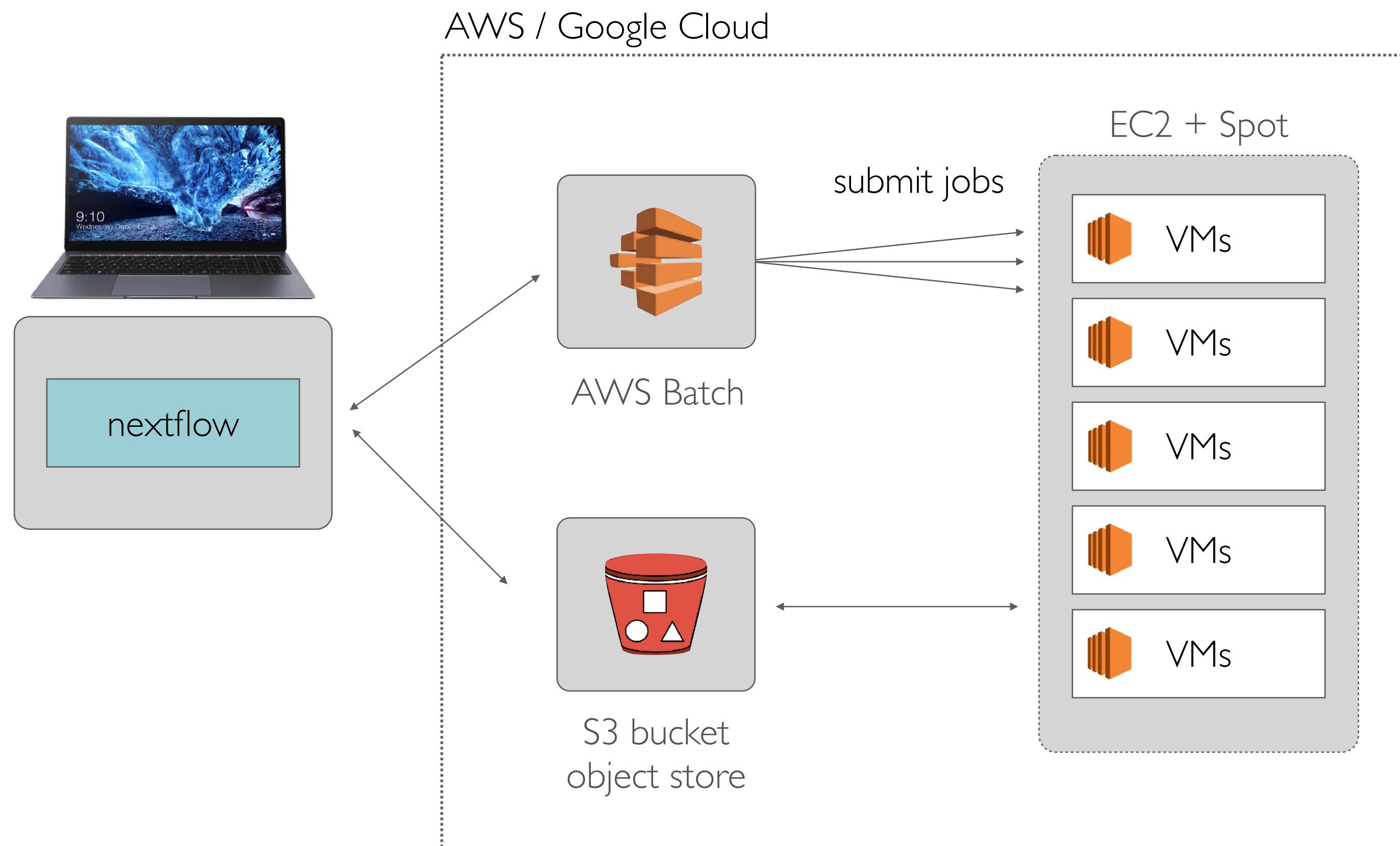
Scientist and engineers can now write complex, distributed and parallel data pipelines without requiring a degree in computer science.

Centralised cluster orchestration



- Nextflow orchestrates workflow execution submitting jobs to a compute scheduler
- Can run in the head node or a compute node
- Requires a shared storage to exchange data between tasks
- Ideal for coarse-grained parallelism

Cloud orchestration



- Nextflow orchestrates workflow execution via AWS Batch
- Launched workflow from anywhere into the cloud
- Transfer of data between local environment and cloud storage
- Requires a shared object storage to exchange data between VMs.

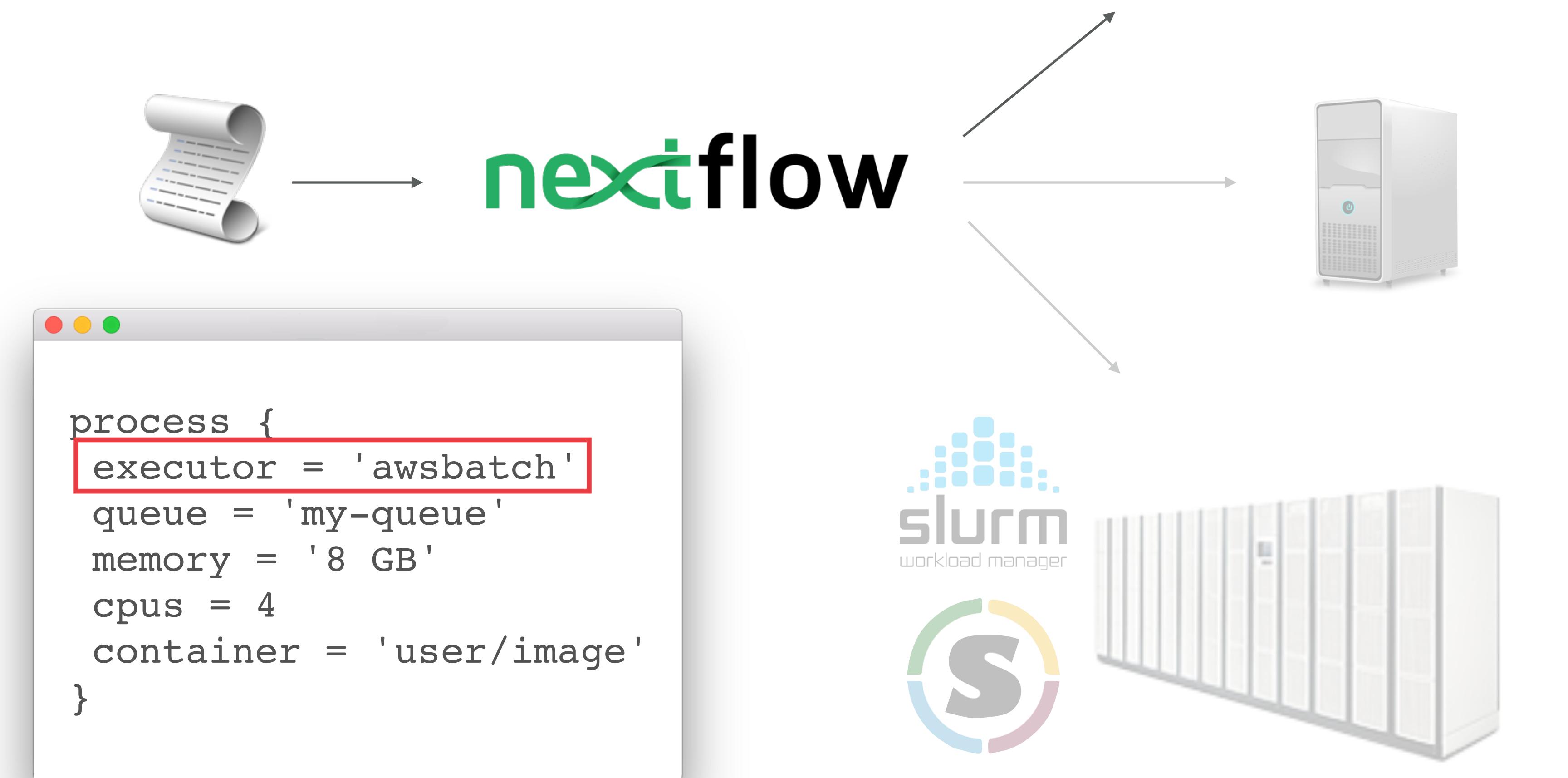
PORTABILITY



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OPEN SOURCE COMMUNITY DRIVEN

45K+

monthly
downloads

150 k+

lines of
code

6,800+

active developers
/month

1.3k+

stars on
github

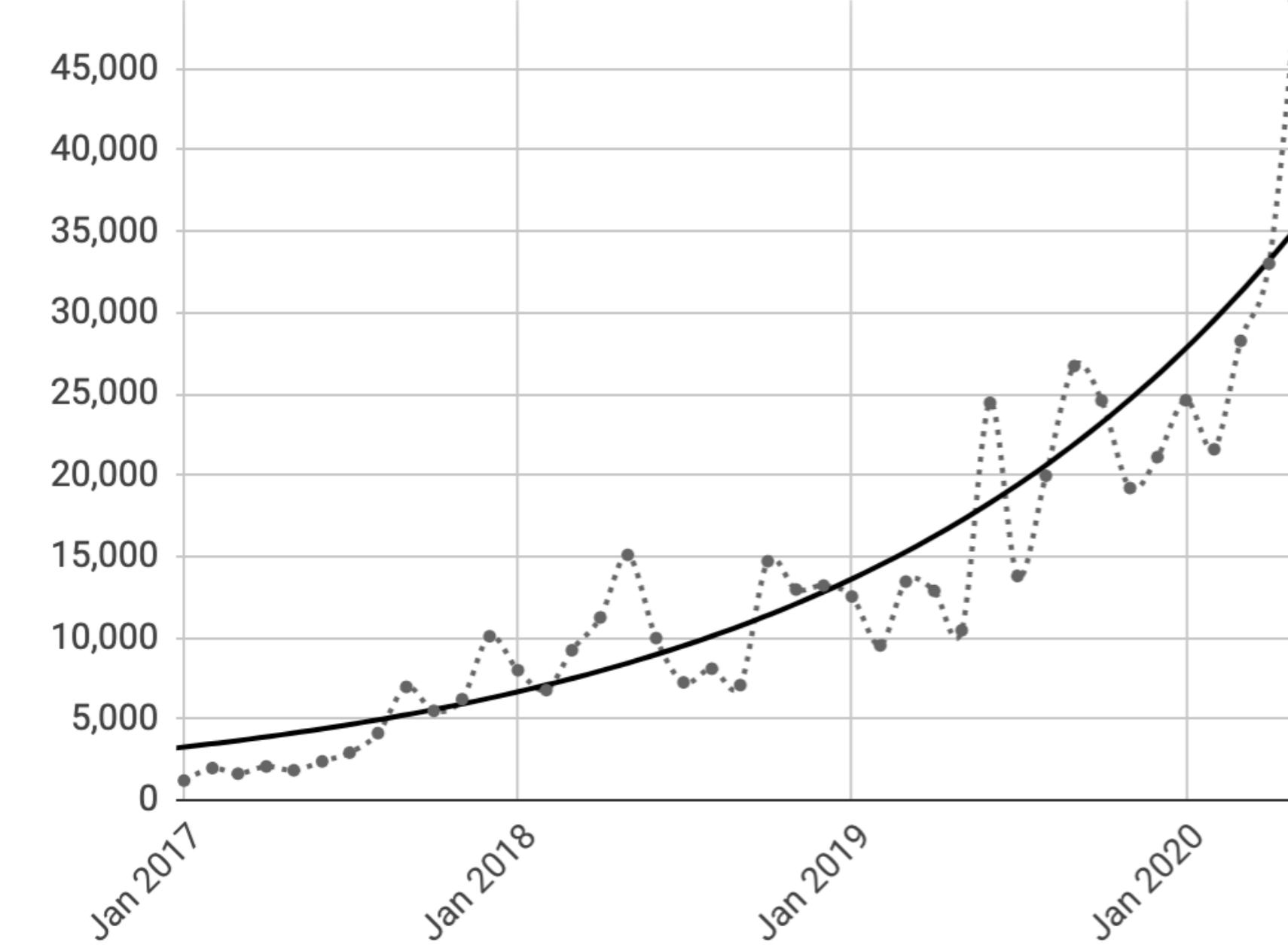
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international
Workshops

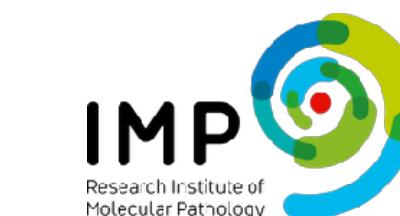
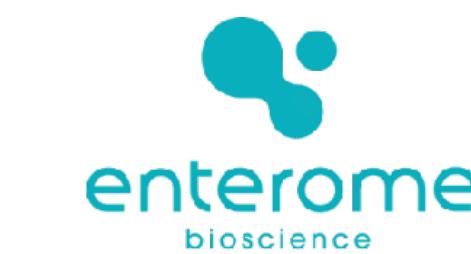
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contributors

monthly downloads



Enterprise adoption



nextflow

data pipelines at scale

massively scalable pipelines across cluster & cloud.

The world's leading workflow software
for genomics, biopharma and life sciences.



features.



Powerful HPC execution engines

Deploy across cloud & clusters effortlessly

Out-of-the-box support for AWS and GCP plus
Schedulers including SLURM, LSF & Grid Engine.



Portable & reproducible

Containers without the hassle

Docker and Singularity integrations encapsulate
all pipeline dependencies across environments.



Language agnostic

Write pipelines in your language

The flexibility to develop, port and reuse code
allows you to do things your way.



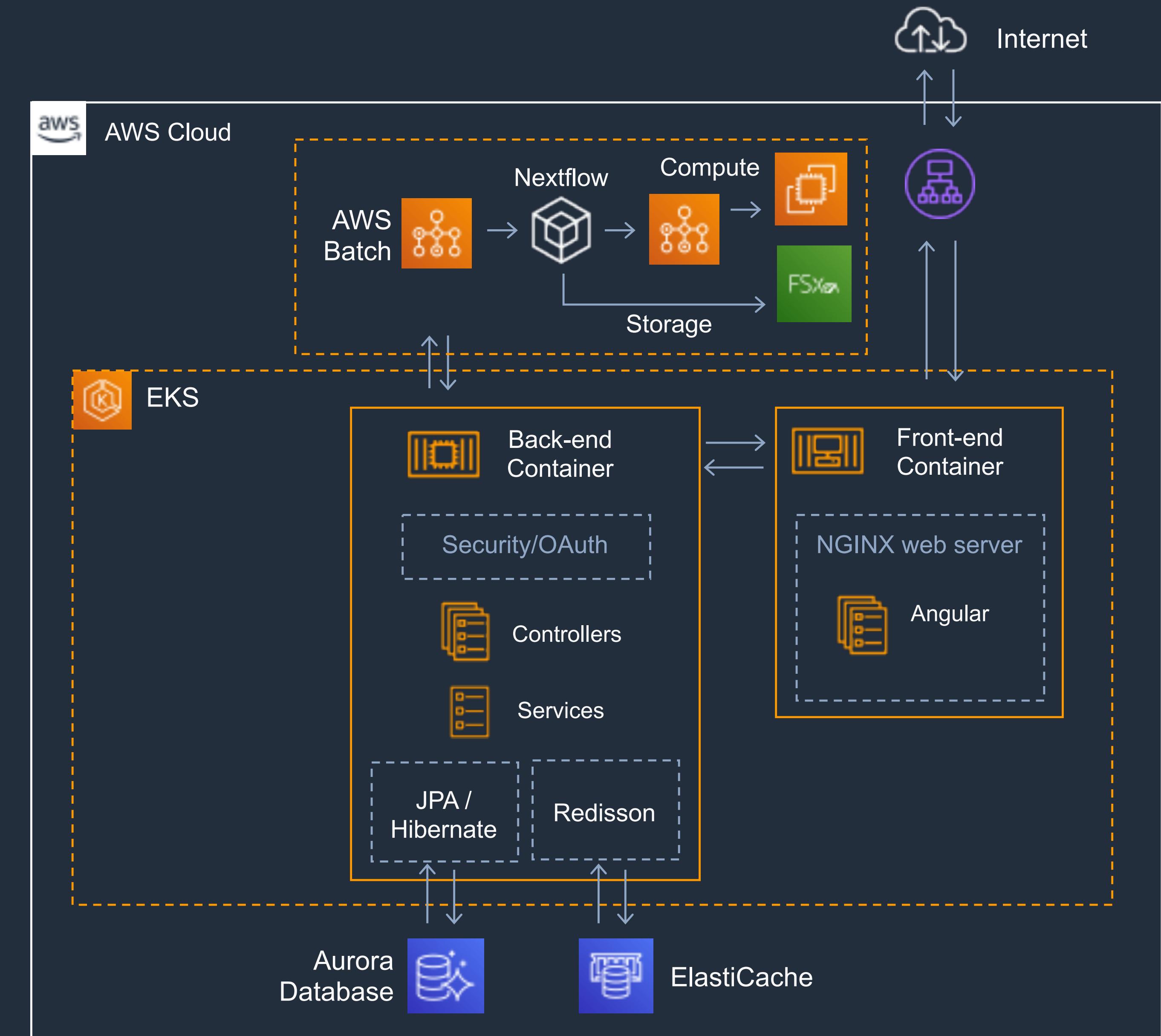
nextflow tower

delivering discovery.

Manage, optimize and launch data analysis
pipelines from a secure command-post.

Tower for Nextflow

AWS Reference Deployment



* Support available for all cloud or on-premise infrastructure.

Sharing and collaboration

Workflow sharing

This feature allow you to share the workflow execution with your collaborators.

Add Collaborator

 **paolo-ditommaso**
Added on 2020-10-19 13:56:11

 **samuel-taylor-1834**
Sam Taylor
Added on 2020-10-19 13:56:33

Users will be able to access the workflow at this link: <https://tower.nf/watch/4rvqt3A7tA4DqE>

Close

SARS-CoV-2 Consensus Genome Pipeline

distraught_faggin

Command line Parameters Configuration Execution log  

```
nextflow run 'https://github.com/evanfloden/sc2-msspe-bioinfo'  
-name distraught_faggin  
-with-tower  
-profile test.fasta_reads
```

Share workflow executions with colleagues who can follow along live on the progress of the pipeline or catch up on the results at any time in the future.

API Release

Nextflow Tower API 1.0.0

Nextflow Tower service API

Email: info@seqera.io

URL: https://seqera.io

actions

`GET /actions`

List the available Pipeline actions for the authenticated user

`GET /actions/types`

List the supported event types that can trigger a pipeline action

`GET /actions/{actionId}`

Describe an existing pipeline action

`PUT /actions/{actionId}`

Update a pipeline action

`POST /actions`

Create a new pipeline action

`POST /actions/{actionId}/pause`

Toggle the pause status of an existing pipeline action

`POST /actions/{actionId}/launch`

Trigger the execution of a Tower Launch action

`DELETE /actions/{actionId}`

Delete a pipeline action

collaborators

`GET /collaborators/workflow/{workflowId}`

List the collaborators of the workflow for the authenticated user

`POST /collaborators`

Add a collaborator

`DELETE /collaborators/{collaboratorId}/workflow/{workflowId}`

Delete a collaborator

Pipelines Feature

The screenshot shows the Nextflow Tower web application interface. At the top, there is a blue header bar with the "nextflow tower" logo, a "Launch" button, and navigation links for "Docs", "Community", "Feedback", "Support", and a user profile icon. Below the header, the page title is "astrazeneca / crispr-screens ▾". A navigation bar below the title includes "Launchpad" (which is underlined), "Monitor", "Actions", "Compute Env.", "Credentials", "Members", "Teams", and "Settings". A tab bar at the top right of the main content area includes "Workspace" (which is selected and highlighted in blue), "Organization", and "Public". The main content area displays a grid of six pipeline cards. Each card contains the pipeline name, GitHub URL, a brief description, the author's name (Phil Ewels), and a small square icon representing the pipeline's purpose. The pipelines listed are:

- nf-core/hlatyping** (<https://github.com/nf-core/hlatyping>)
Precision HLA typing from next-generation sequencing data.
- nf-core/eager** (<https://github.com/nf-core/eager>)
A fully reproducible and state of the art ancient DNA analysis pipeline.
- nf-core/rnafusion** (<https://github.com/nf-core/rnafusion>)
RNA-seq analysis pipeline for detection gene-fusions.
- nf-core/chipseq** (<https://github.com/nf-core/chipseq>)
ChIP-seq peak-calling, QC and differential analysis pipeline.
- nf-core/sarek** (<https://github.com/nf-core/sarek>)
Analysis pipeline to detect germline or somatic variants from WGS / targeted sequencing.
- nf-core/rnaseq** (<https://github.com/nf-core/rnaseq>)
RNA sequencing analysis pipeline using STAR, HISAT and Salmon with gene counts and quality control RNA...

The screenshot shows the "Pipeline" configuration interface. At the top, there is a blue header bar with a "Show hidden params" button. Below the header, the page title is "Pipeline". The main content area is divided into sections for "Input/Output Options" and "Input" settings.

Input/Output Options

Define where the pipeline should find input data and save output data.

input

Input FastQ or BAM files.

single_end
Specifies that the input is single-end reads.

bam
Specifies that the input is in BAM format.

seqtype

dna
Specifies whether the input is DNA or RNA.

outdir

./results
The output directory where the results will be saved.

email

Email address for completion summary.

Extended documentation

Docs

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 - Slurm
 - LSF
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 - Advanced options
 - Re-launch
 - Notifications
- Pipeline Monitoring**
 - Tracking progress

Overview

Introduction

Tower uses a concept of **Compute Environments** to define the execution platform where a pipeline will run.

Tower supports launching of pipelines into **AWS Batch**, **Google Cloud**, **IBM LSF**, and **Slurm** with many more in development.

Platform

Select the platform

-  AWS Amazon Batch
-  Google Life Sciences
-  IBM LSF
-  Slurm Workload Manager

Each compute environment must be configured to enable Tower to submit tasks. You can read more on how to set up each environment using the links below.

Setup guides

The following sections describe how to set up each of the available compute environments.

- [AWS Batch](#)
- [Google Cloud](#)
- [IBM LSF](#)
- [Slurm](#)

CZI EOSS Goals

WP1

- Goal 1.1 Reach 8,000 monthly Nextflow users
- Goal 1.2 Reach 150 active nf-core Slack members
- Goal 1.3 Sustain community support and advocacy activities
- Goal 1.4 Appoint project positions

WP2

- Goal 2.1 Improve Nextflow scalability and support for public clouds
- Goal 2.2 Expand the support for web-based usage of nf-core pipelines
- Goal 2.3 Nextflow kernel for Jupyter notebooks
- Goal 2.4 GA4GH API compliant TES & WES executors
- Goal 2.5 Migrate existing nf-core pipelines to Nextflow DSL2
- Goal 2.6 Introduce module-level testing for nf-core
- Goal 2.7 nf-core template for DSL2 pipelines

WP3

- Goal 3.1 Nextflow website refresh: learning, community and support
- Goal 3.2 Four new community Nextflow training events
- Goal 3.3 Ten expanded bursaries for 2020 Nextflow Community Conference
- Goal 3.4 Establish 2 nf-core hackathons and 2 user workshops
- Goal 3.5 Tutorial videos on nf-core website

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<https://nf-co.re>

Community efforts to collect production ready analysis pipelines built with Nextflow

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