

# OWNL

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# History

- Need to have a Workflow Management System for JWST
- Completed a trade study to identify promising technology
- OWL born as prototype to inform the trade study

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“Condor is an open source high-throughput computing software framework for coarse-grained distributed parallelization of computationally intensive tasks”.

*Wikipedia*

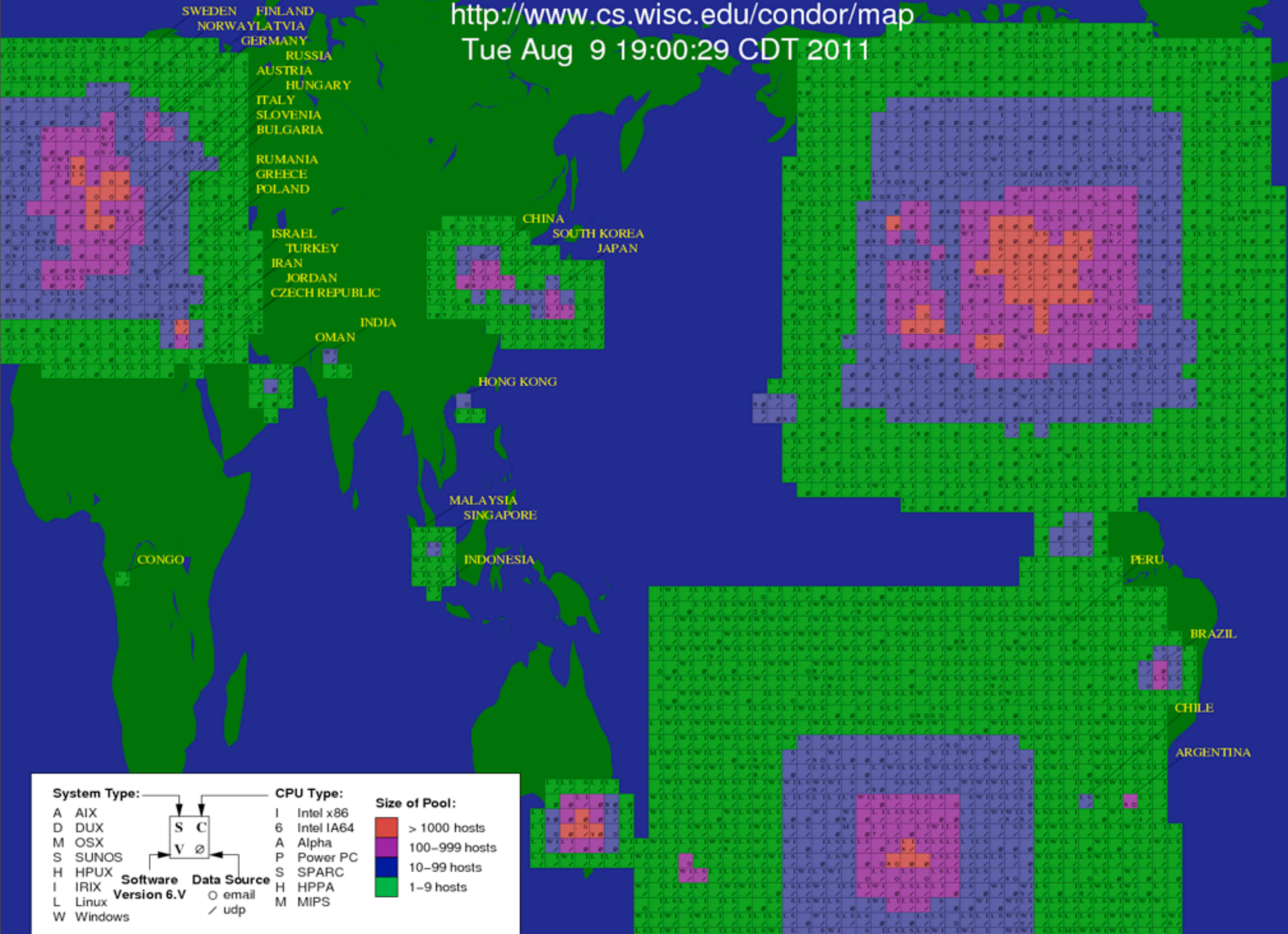
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- Established in 1985
- ~35 faculty/staff/students + external collaborators
- Open source
- Used in production across disciplines, research, industry...

# Condor World Map

<http://www.cs.wisc.edu/condor/map>

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# Overview

- Flexible scheduling
- Workflow management (DAGMan)
- Several job types (serial, parallel, VM etc.)
- Fault-tolerance
- No shared file-system required
- APIs (SOAP, DRMAA, GAHP, command-line)
- Cross-platform (Linux, Mac OS X, Windows etc.)
- Able to federate different GRID/Cloud technologies
- Dynamic resource provisioning (e.g. via VMs)
- Scavenge idle cycles



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- Written in Python (2 dependencies)
- Thin, portable layer on top of Condor

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- Persisted in SQL Server
- Process view
- Dataset view



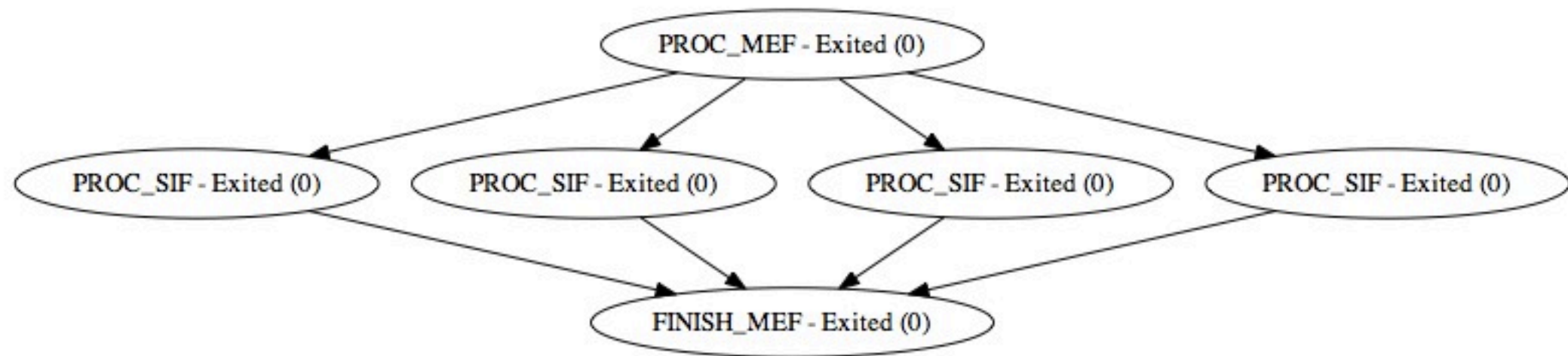
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## Request #405

Dataset: raw-000002

User: apache



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Templates make workflows dynamic



- Python template library (Jinja2)
- Support for complex Python objects
- Can embed limited logic (if...then...else, for loops)
- Can be instrument/mode/filter... specific
- Stored in the file system and/or database
- Template inheritance

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#
# Reassemble SIFs into MEF template
#
Executable          = {{ code_root }}/finishMef.py
Arguments            = -i {{ dataset }}_calib_%(ccdId)s.fits \
                      -o {{ dataset }}_calib.fits \
                      -n {{ num_ccds }}

Output              = finishMef_{{ dataset }}.out
Error               = finishMef_{{ dataset }}.err
Universe            = vanilla
Log                 = {{ dataset }}.log
+InputDataset       = "{{ dataset }}"

Should_Transfer_Files = IF_NEEDED
When_to_Transfer_Output = ON_EXIT
{% set comma = joiner(",") %}
transfer_input_files  = {% for i in range(num_ccds) %}
    {{ comma() }}{{ dataset }}_calib_{{ i }}.fits
{% endfor %}

+HookKeyword         = "FOO"
Notification         = Never
Queue

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# Performance (Vanilla Condor)

