



## GaiaGrid

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# The Gaia Mission

## Objectives

- Galaxy origin and formation;
- physics of stars and their evolution
- Galactic dynamics and distance scale
- Solar System census: minor planets, Kuiper Belt objects
- large-scale detection of all classes of astrophysical objects including brown dwarfs, white dwarfs and planetary systems
- fundamental physics

## Capabilities

- catalogue: 1 billion stars:
  - $0.34 \times 10^6$  stars  $0 < V < 10$  mag
  - $26 \times 10^6$  stars  $10 < V < 15$  mag
  - $10^6$  stars  $15 < V < 18$  mag
  - $10^6$  stars  $18 < V < 20$  mag
- completeness to about 20 mag
- sky density:
  - mean density  $\sim 25\,000$  stars  $\text{deg}^{-2}$
  - max density  $\sim 3 \times 10^6$  stars  $\text{deg}^{-2}$
- accuracies: median parallax errors:
  - $4 \mu\text{as}$  at 10 mag
  - $11 \mu\text{as}$  at 15 mag
  - $160 \mu\text{as}$  at 20 mag
- Radial velocity accuracies:  $1 - 10 \text{ km s}^{-1}$  to  $V=16-17$  depending on Spectral Type
- Photometry:  $V=20$  in 4 broad and 11 medium bands

**Launch Date: 2017**



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# Number Crunching

## Total Performance

### Core processing

[CCD calibration to fluxes, GIS, IDT] :  $40 \times 10^{18}$   
FLOPS

### Shell processing

[variability, double star, RVS, etc.]:  $90 \times 10^{18}$   
FLOPS

**Science Telemetry: 120 Terabytes (over 5 years)**

**Estimated Archive: 1 Petabyte**





## What will I cover?

Requirements

Architecture

The Community



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## Background

Gaia Data Processing has two basic components:

### Core Tasks:

- Initial Data Reduction
- Global Astrometric Solution
- Cross-identifications

Acts upon the totality of the data

**Centralised**

### Shell Tasks:

- Data Analysis
- Classification
- Photometric properties
- Spectroscopic Properties



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## Core Processing



Telemetry

Centroiding  
Object Matching

Ingestion

Gaia Database

Process

Global Iterative Solution  
Attitude  
Calibration  
Source  
Global

Ingestion

Gaia Results  
Database

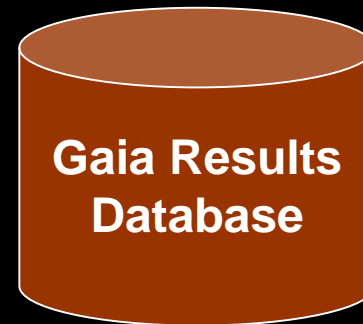
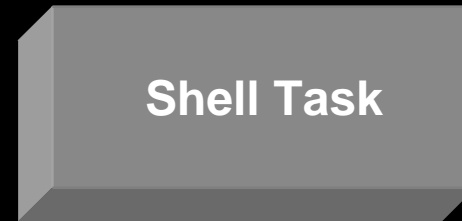
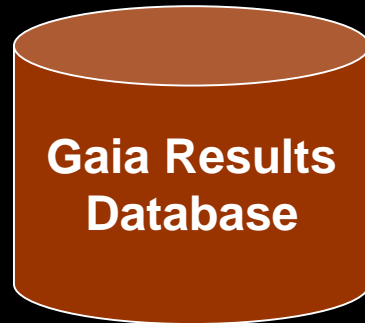


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## Shell Tasks



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## Shell Task Facts

### Scientific:

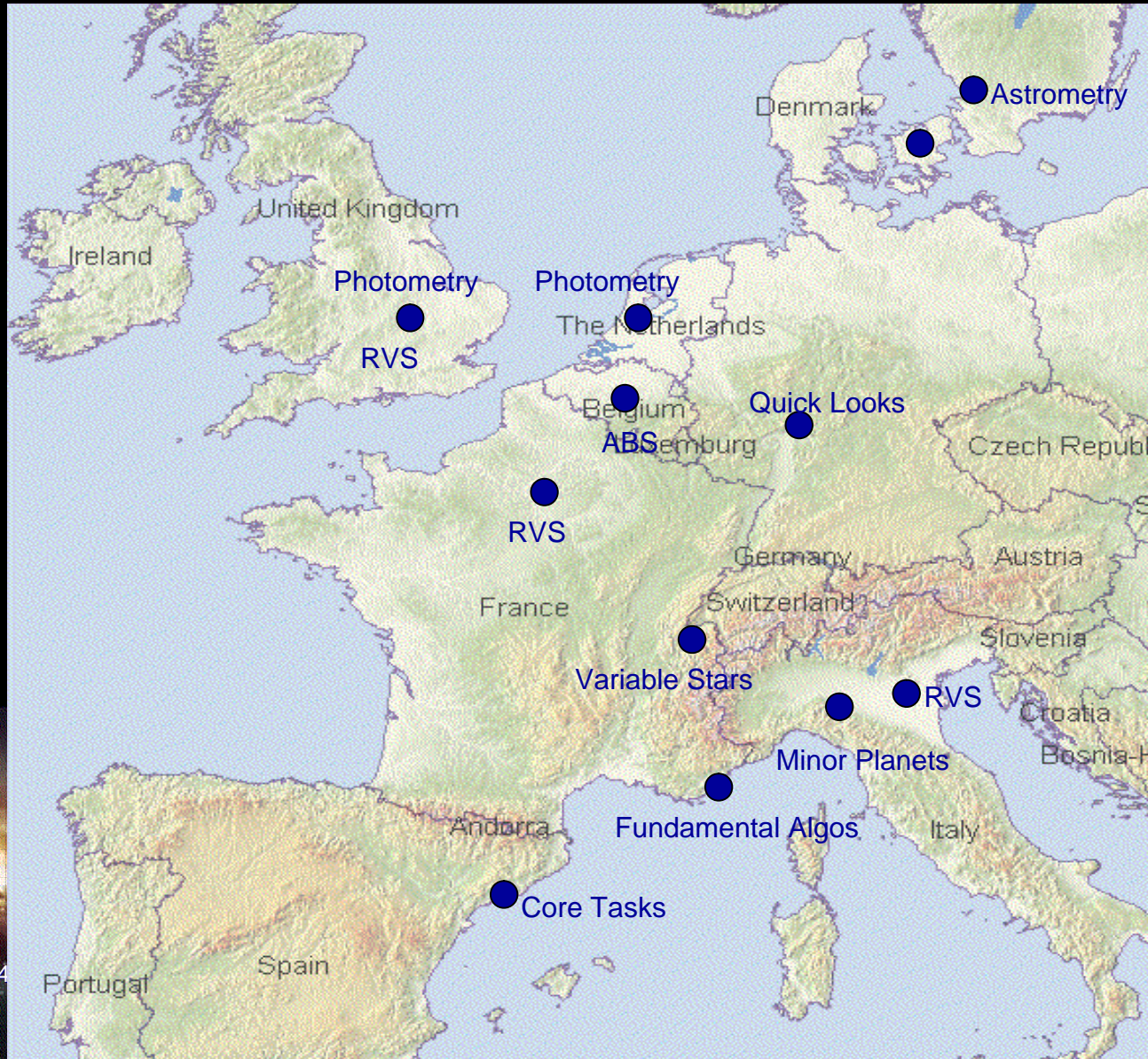
- Shell Tasks involve the Gaia community
- Shell Tasks may be developed by autonomous groups, independent of a core team
- Shell Tasks deliver “derived” data
- Shell Tasks can be collaborative tools
- Shell Tasks are building blocks for data analysis. They may be combined to address more complex processing tasks

### Technical:

- Shell Tasks can be modular
- Shell Tasks access the Gaia Database to work on a subset of data
- Shell Task results can be independently validated. Less interaction with the core data.
- Shell Tasks could be developed in multiple set programming languages



# Gaia Virtual Organisation



## The Grid

The Grid is:

- A resource sharing concept
- Used to augment computational resources whenever and wherever needed
- Ideal to build a collaborative environment, where users can run algorithms and analyse data

**It is ideal for the Shell Tasks**

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## The Grid Paradigm within the concept of Gaia

Three basic objectives

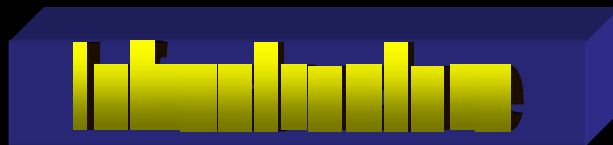
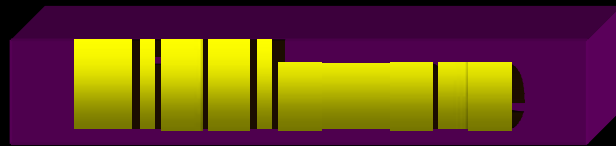
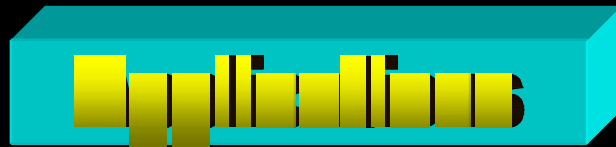
- Access to the data → Virtual Database
- Collaborative Computation → Virtual Organisation
- Computational Performance → Virtual Supercomputer



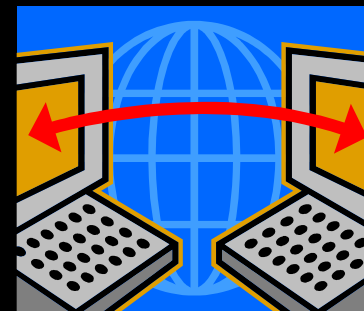
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## The Grid Architecture



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## The GridAssist Infrastructure

Users with client tools

a URL

http

Grid Resources

Globus

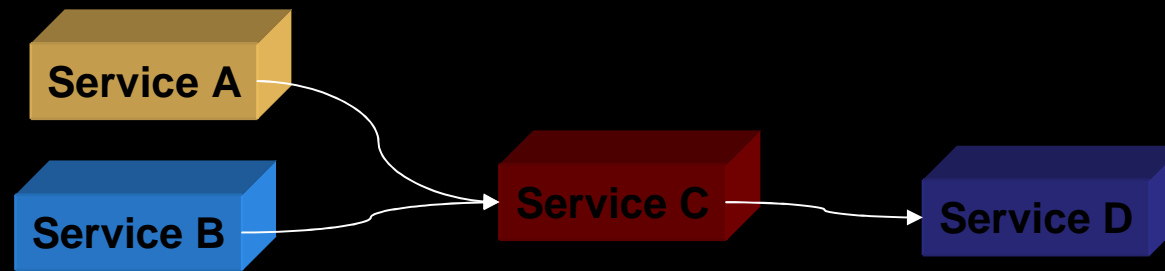
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# Workflow

Workflow: Collection of services with dependencies



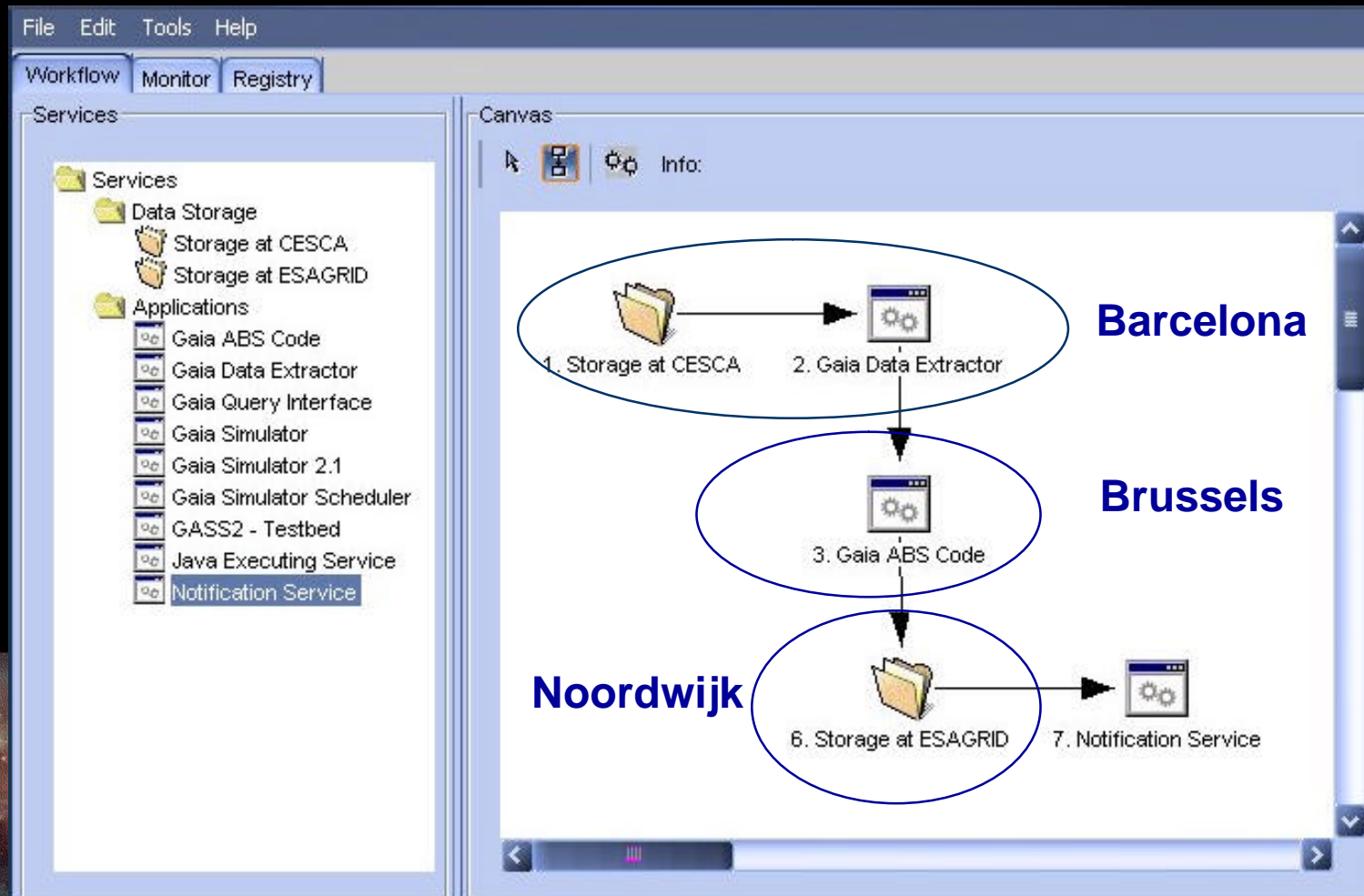
## Examples of services:

- Retrieval of data from a database
- Execution of an Algorithm
- Storage of data

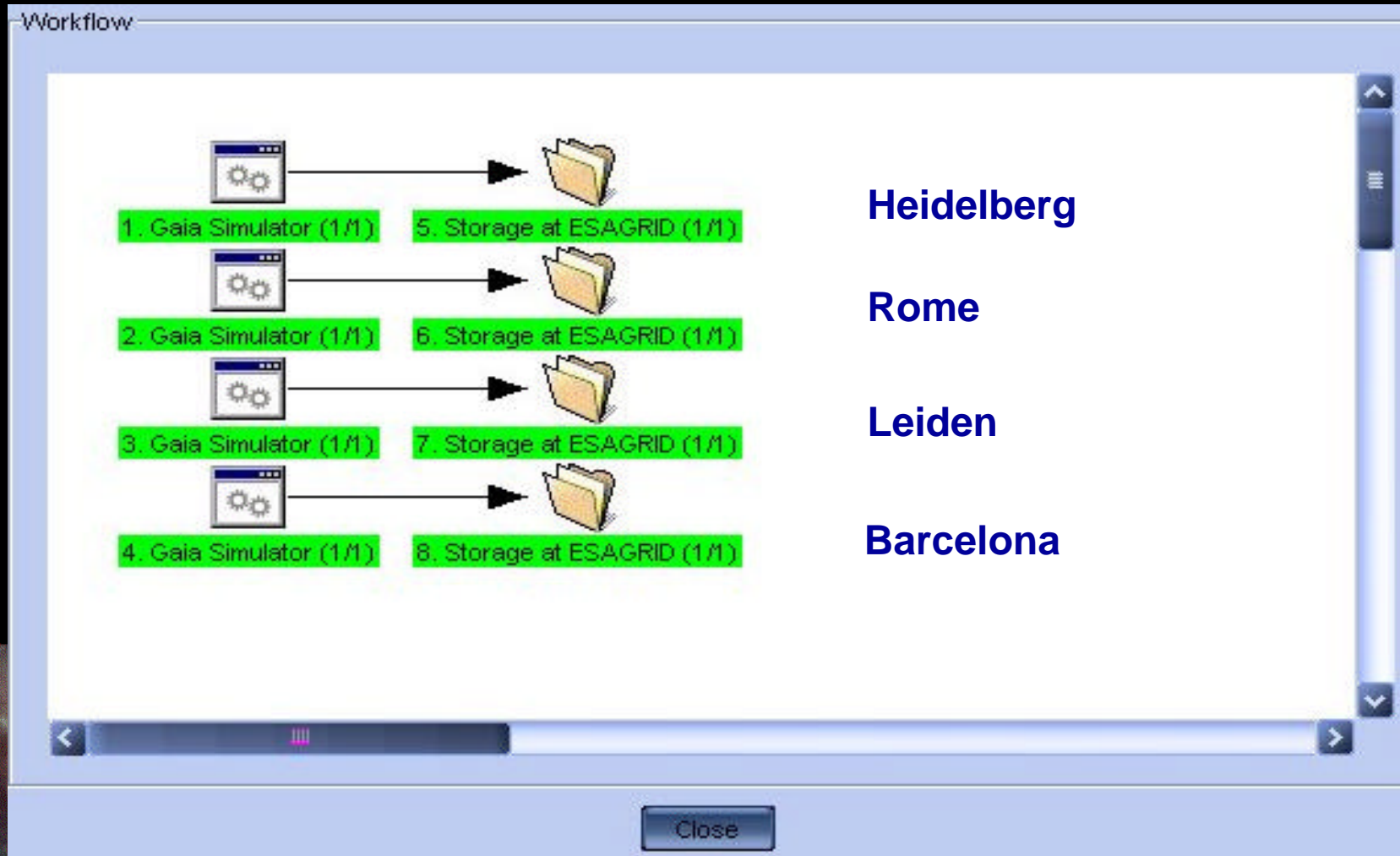
## Examples of dependencies

- Data flows

## The GridAssist Client Distributed Grid Computation



## The GridAssist Client Performance Grid Computation







## GridAssist Features

### Function

- File Transfer
- Multiple Protocol
- Job Monitoring
- User Access Control
- Task Scheduling



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## Current Status

- Identified two potential Shell Algorithms for initial tests
- Connected a few sites: UB, ARI, ULB, ESTEC, ESRIN
- Ran medium-scale Gaia Simulations on the Grid.



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## Future Plans

- Stabilise the environment and deploy more Grid nodes
- Establish a testbed for all shell tasks
- Converge on an operational environment for Gaia



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