

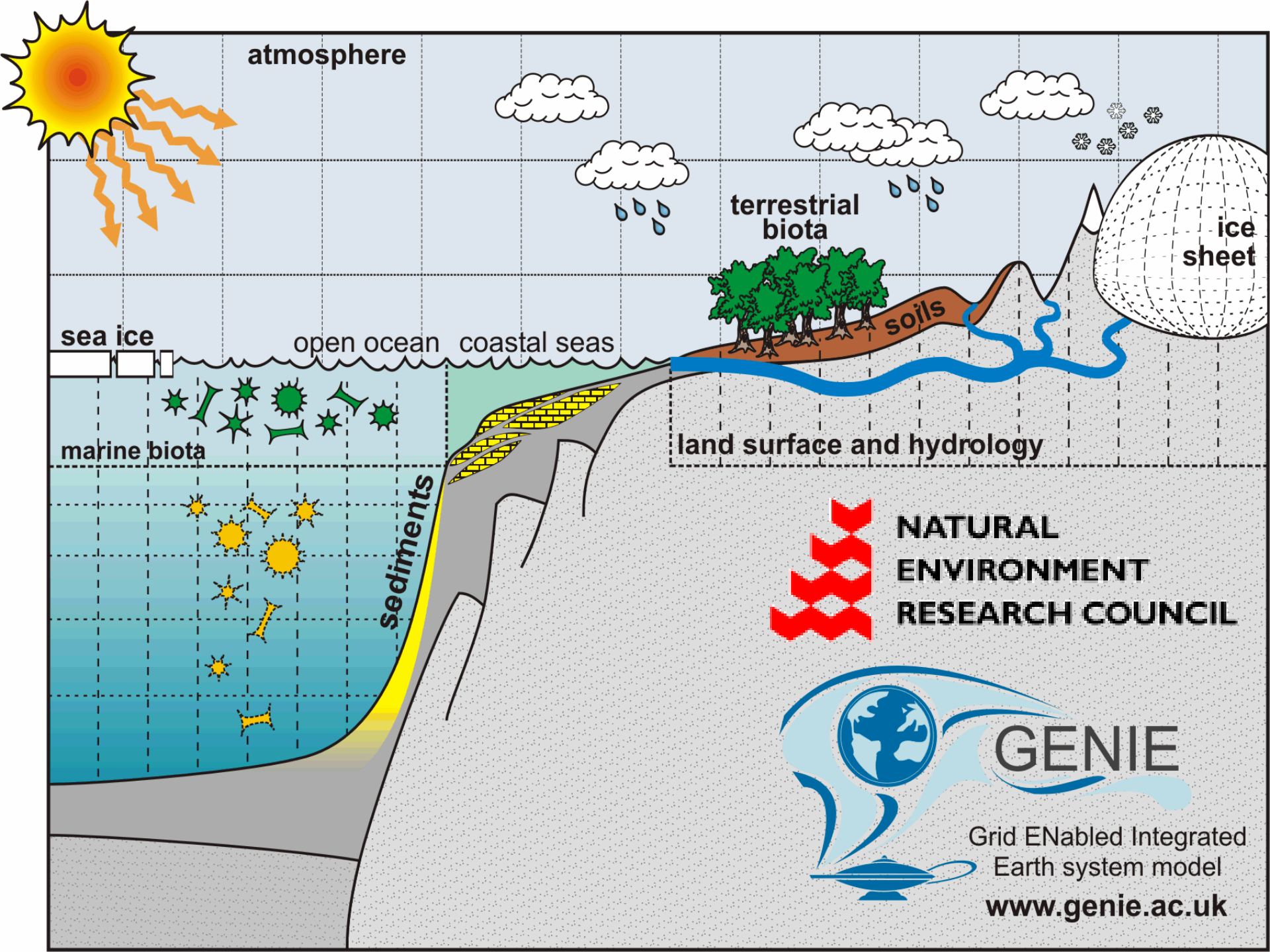
Environmental Simulations on the NGS

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Overview

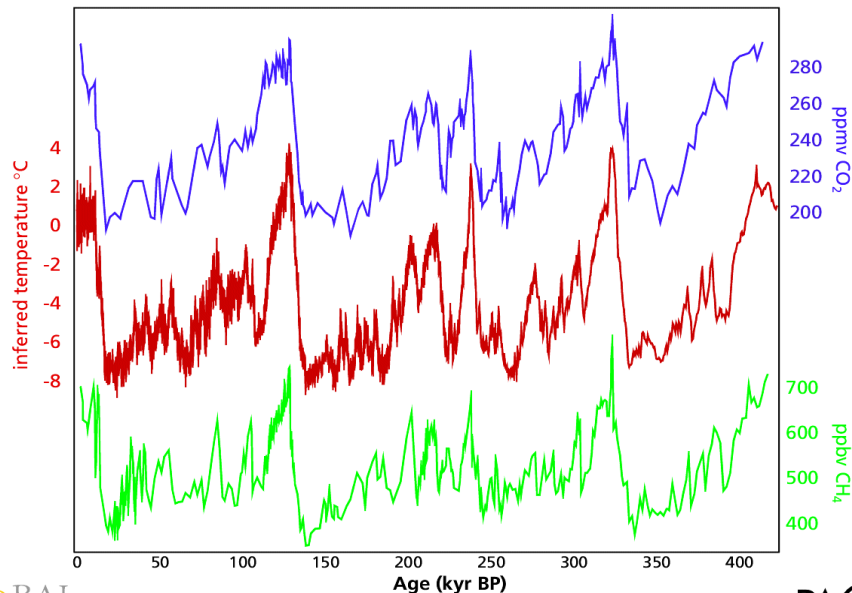
- GENIE Project
- Grid computing infrastructure
 - Compute
 - Data
 - Workflow
 - Collaborative Study
- GENIE model studies on the National Grid Service



Scientific Aims

- Orbital parameters affect incident radiation and climate
- Biological and geological processes interact with, and feedback upon, the climate (via, for instance, CO₂)

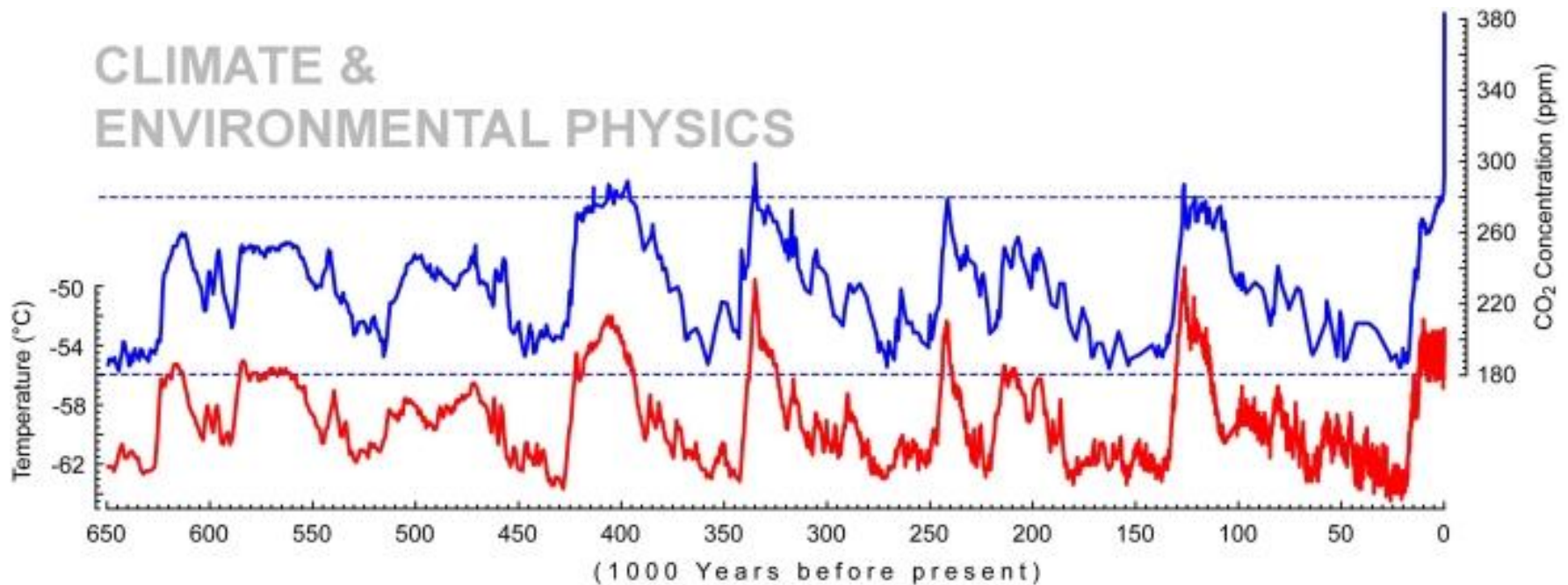
4 glacial cycles recorded in the Vostok ice core



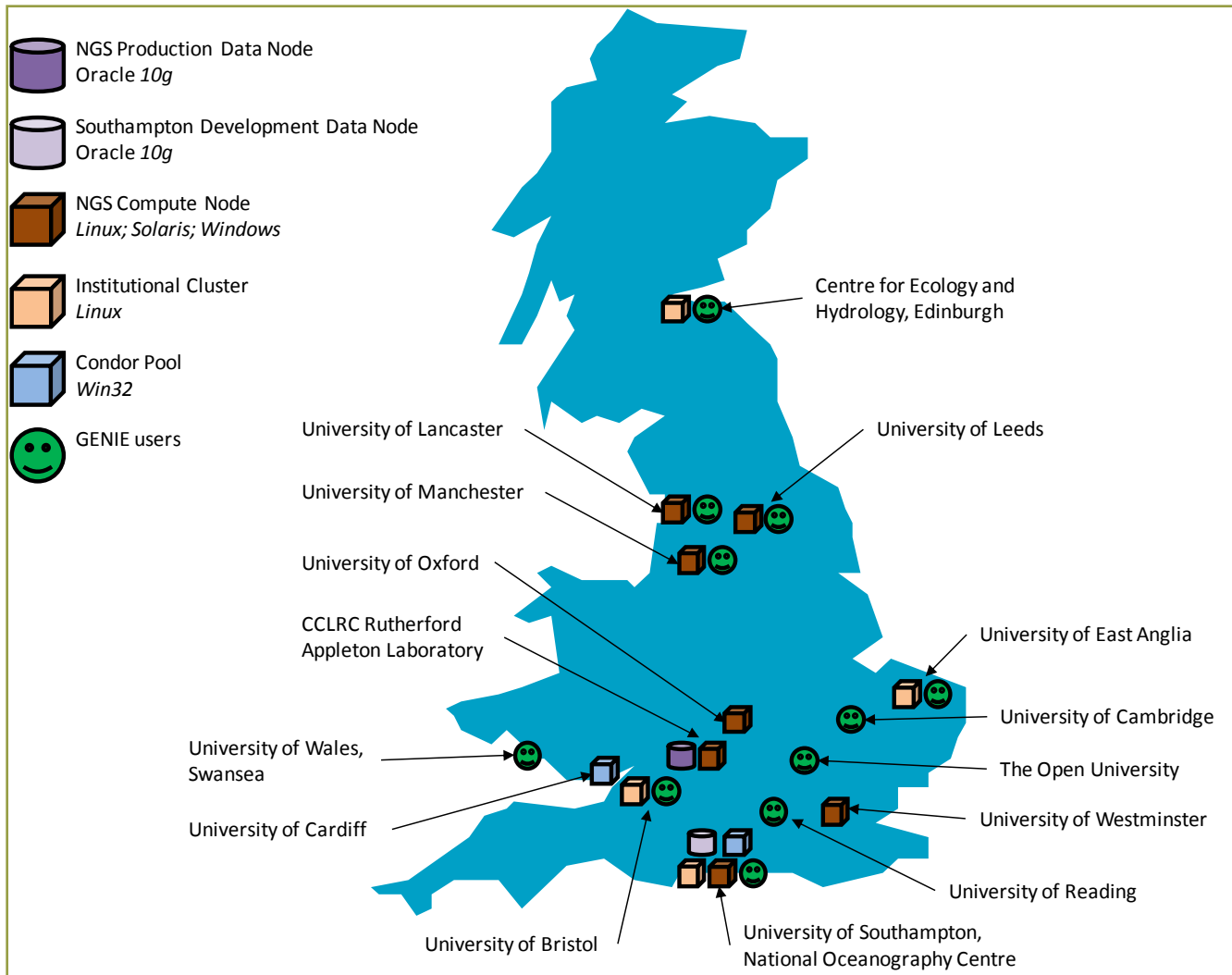
The mechanisms that have driven the most fundamental changes of planet Earth are not yet fully understood.

Climate Change

- Source: <http://www.climate.unibe.ch/>



GENIE UK Community



The GENIE user base is primarily UK based with a growing number of international collaborators and users. The Grid computing software is used to exploit compute and data resources on the UK National Grid Service and institutional clusters and Condor pools.

GENIE Project Aims

- Develop a Grid-based computing framework
 - to flexibly couple together state-of-the-art components to form a unified Earth System Model (ESM)
 - to execute the resulting ESM across a computational Grid
 - to share the distributed data produced by simulation runs
 - to provide high-level open access to the system, creating and supporting virtual organisations of Earth System modellers

Geodise Toolboxes

Geodise Compute Toolbox

- Grid access from the Desktop
- Matlab and Jython interfaces
- Globus and Condor support

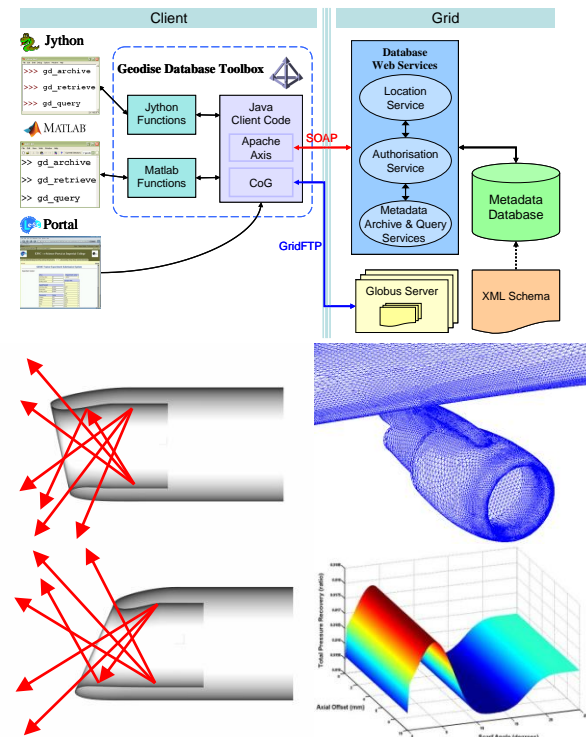
Geodise Database Toolbox

- Associate metadata with data
- Programmatic and GUI access

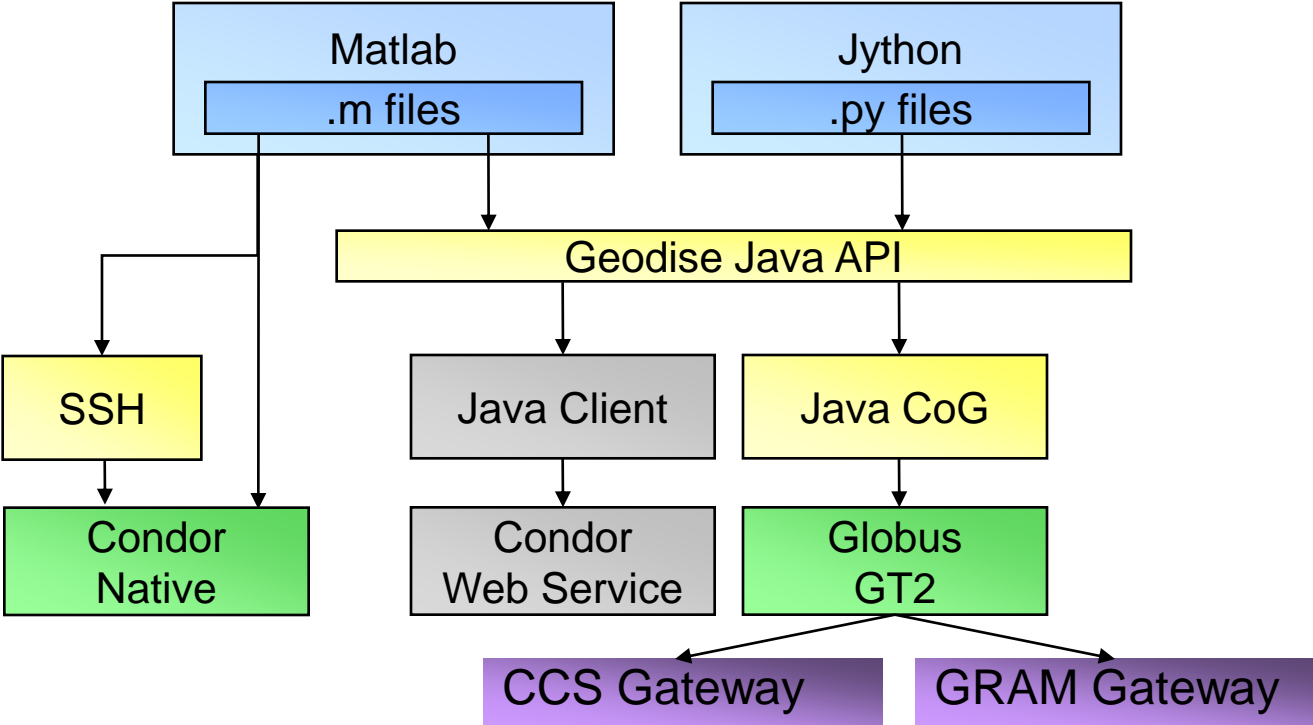
OptionsMatlab

- Engineering Design Optimisation
- Suite of multi-dimensional optimisation algorithms

Geodise Compute Toolbox	<code>gd_createproxy.m</code>	Creates a Globus proxy certificate for the user's credentials
	<code>gd_destroyproxy.m</code>	Destroys the local copy of the user's Globus proxy certificate
	<code>gd_jobsubmit.m</code>	Submits a compute job to a Globus GRAM job manager
	<code>gd_jobstatus.m</code>	Gets the status of a Globus GRAM job
	<code>gd_putfile.m</code>	Puts a remote file using GridFTP
	<code>gd_getfile.m</code>	Retrieves a remote file using GridFTP
	<code>gd_rmfile.m</code>	Deletes a remote file using GridFTP
Geodise Database Toolbox	<code>gd_makedir.m</code>	Creates a remote directory using GridFTP
	<code>gd_rmdir.m</code>	Deletes a remote directory using GridFTP
	<code>gd_archive.m</code>	Archives a file or data structure to the database
	<code>gd_query.m</code>	Query the database for data matching specified criteria.
	<code>gd_retrieve.m</code>	Retrieves a file or data structure from the database



Grid Computation



Condor Pool

A diagram showing a central server icon connected to four smaller server icons, representing a distributed computing pool.

Microsoft Compute Cluster Server

The logo for Microsoft Compute Cluster Server, featuring the four-pane Windows logo in red, green, blue, and yellow.

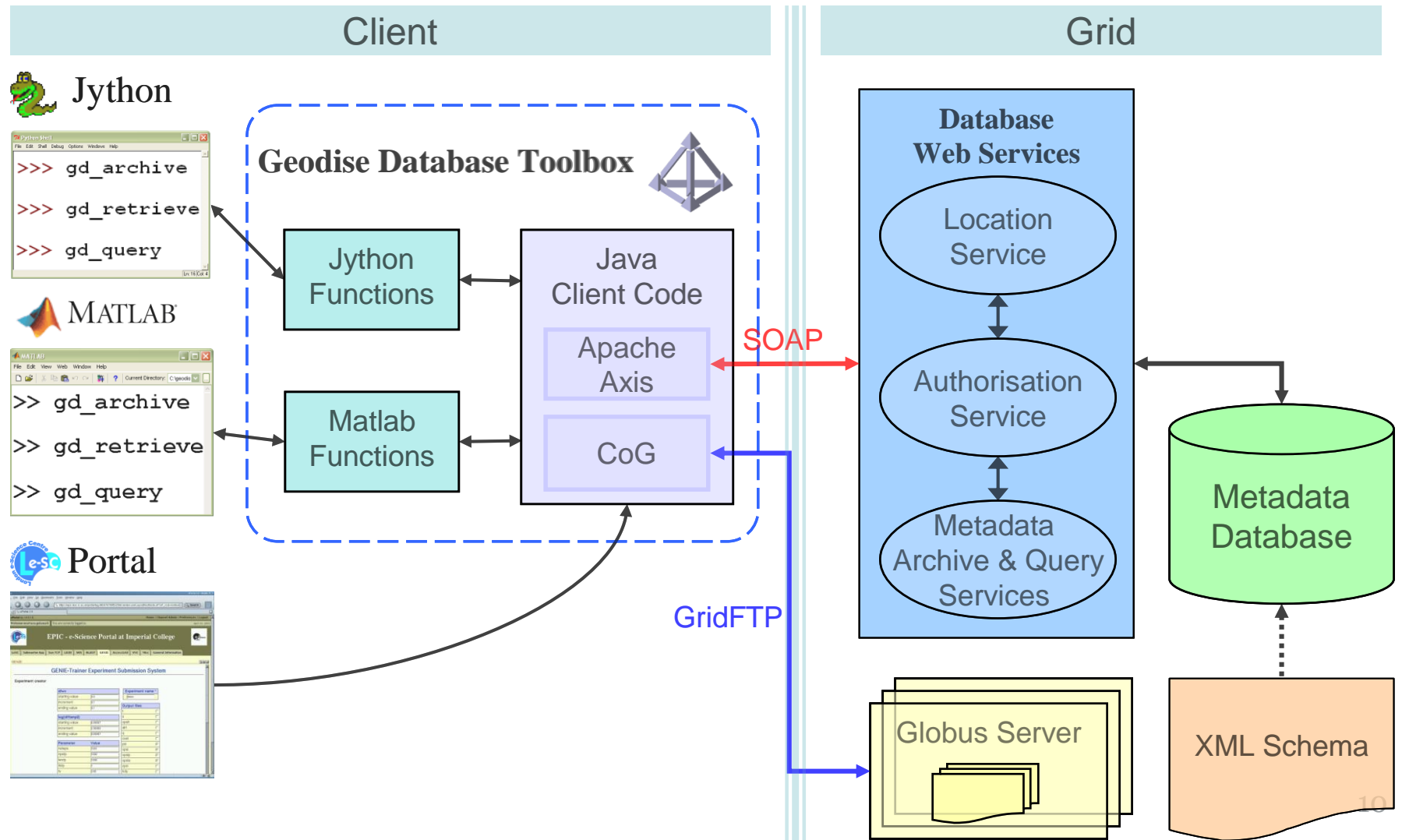
Institutional Resources (GT2)

A photograph of a server rack with multiple drive bays, representing institutional resources.

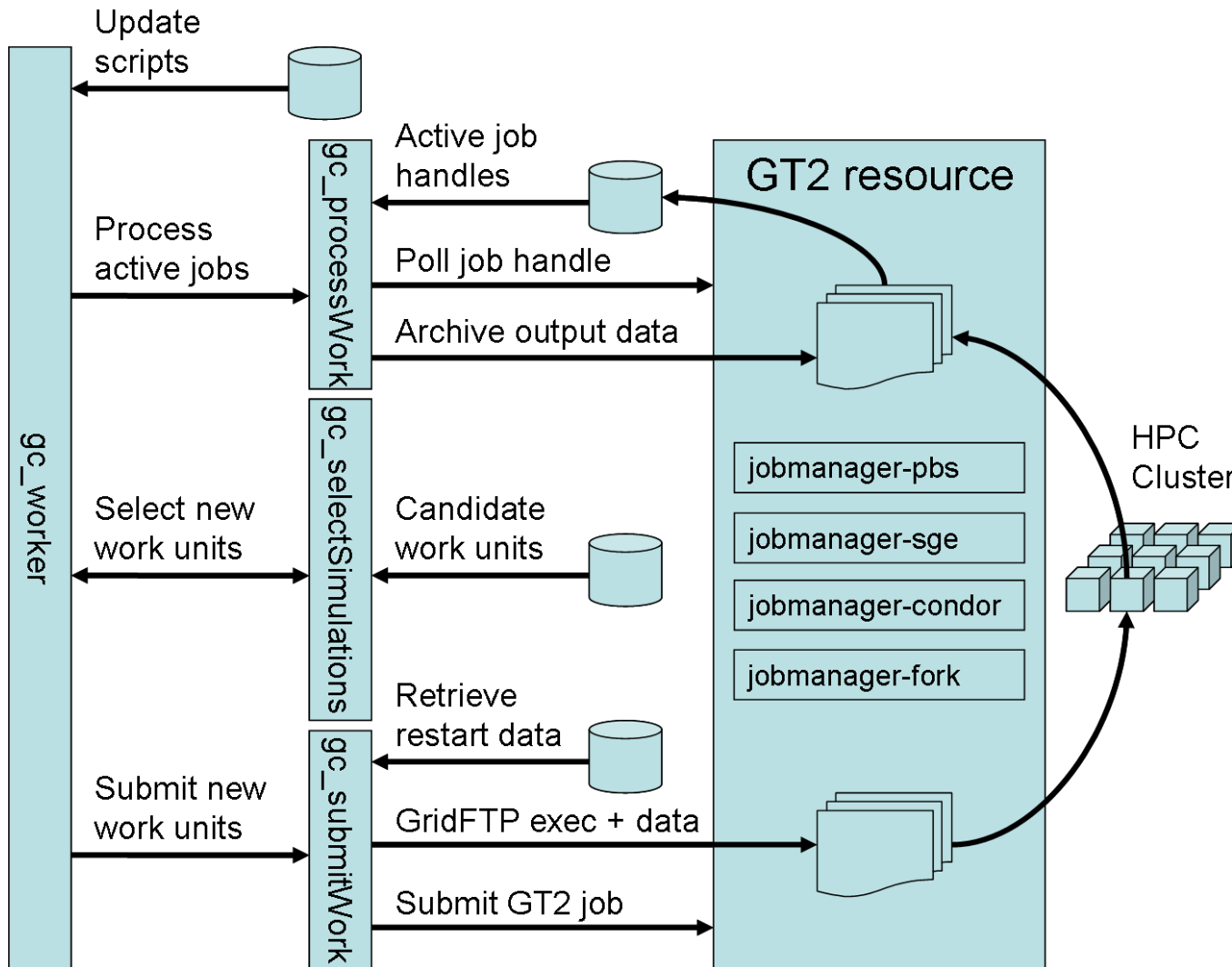
UK National Grid Service (GT2)

Four clusters of server nodes representing the UK National Grid Service. The clusters are labeled 'Oxford', 'Leeds', 'RAL', and 'Manchester'. Each cluster consists of several light blue server icons arranged in a grid.

Data Management System

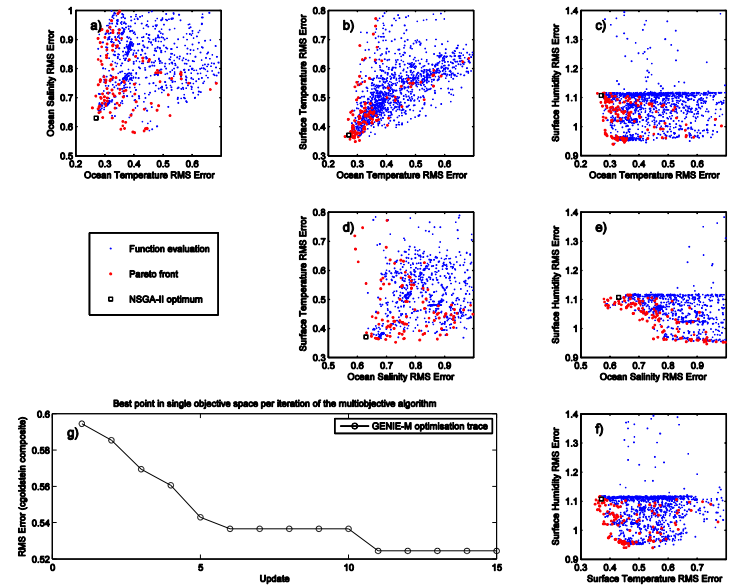
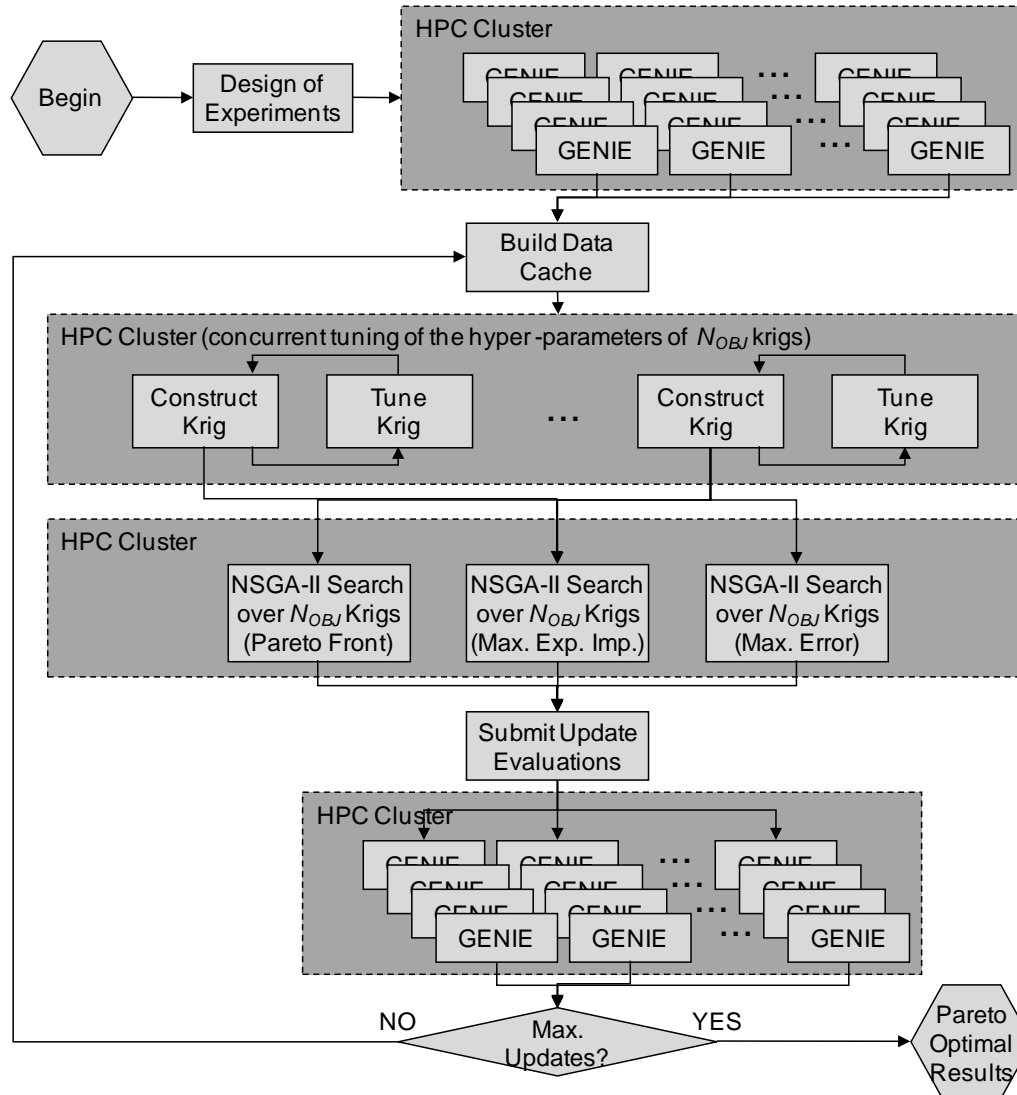


Workflow



Workflow schematic for the activities of the `gc_worker` script. Simulations are advanced through to completion by the automated submission of compute jobs

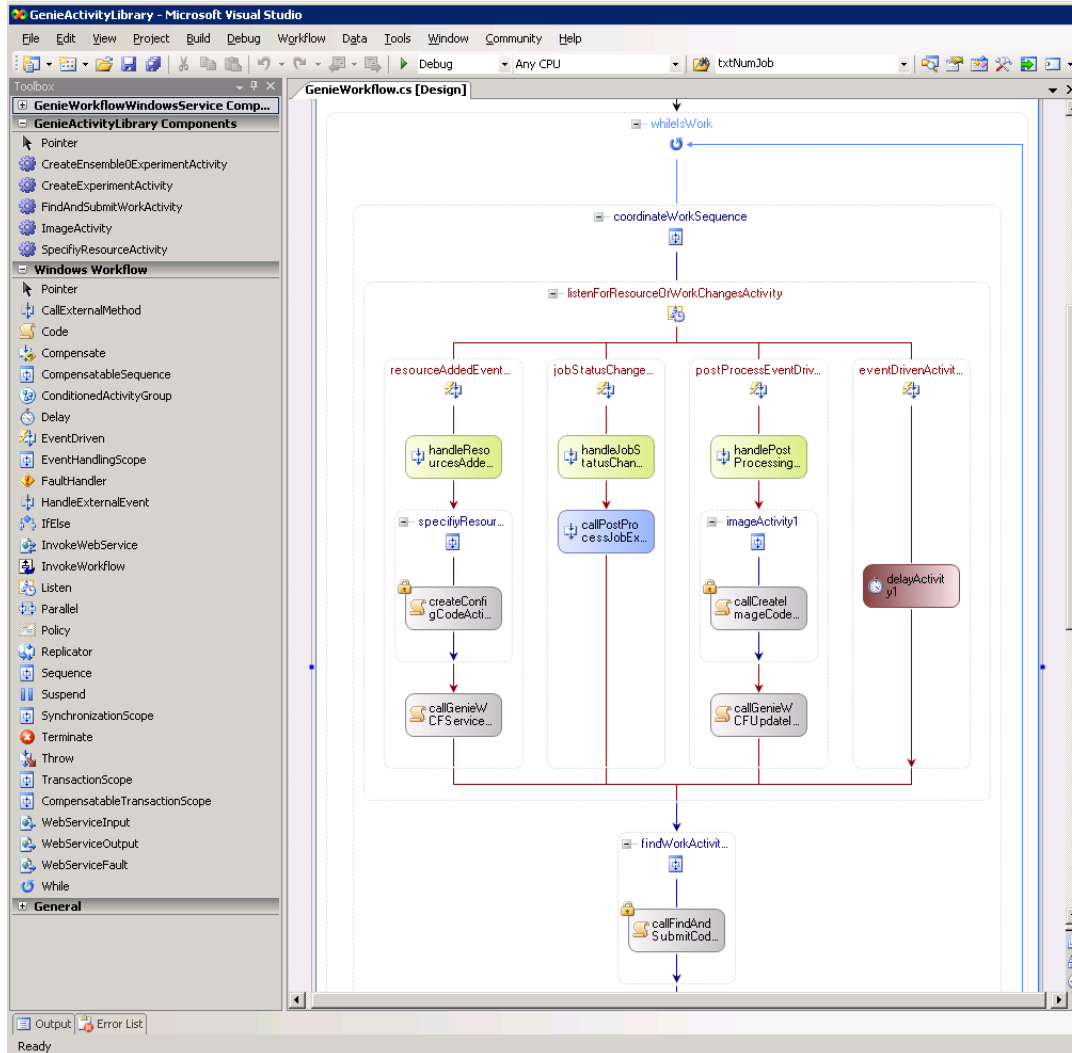
Optimisation Workflow



Pareto optimal results indicated in red

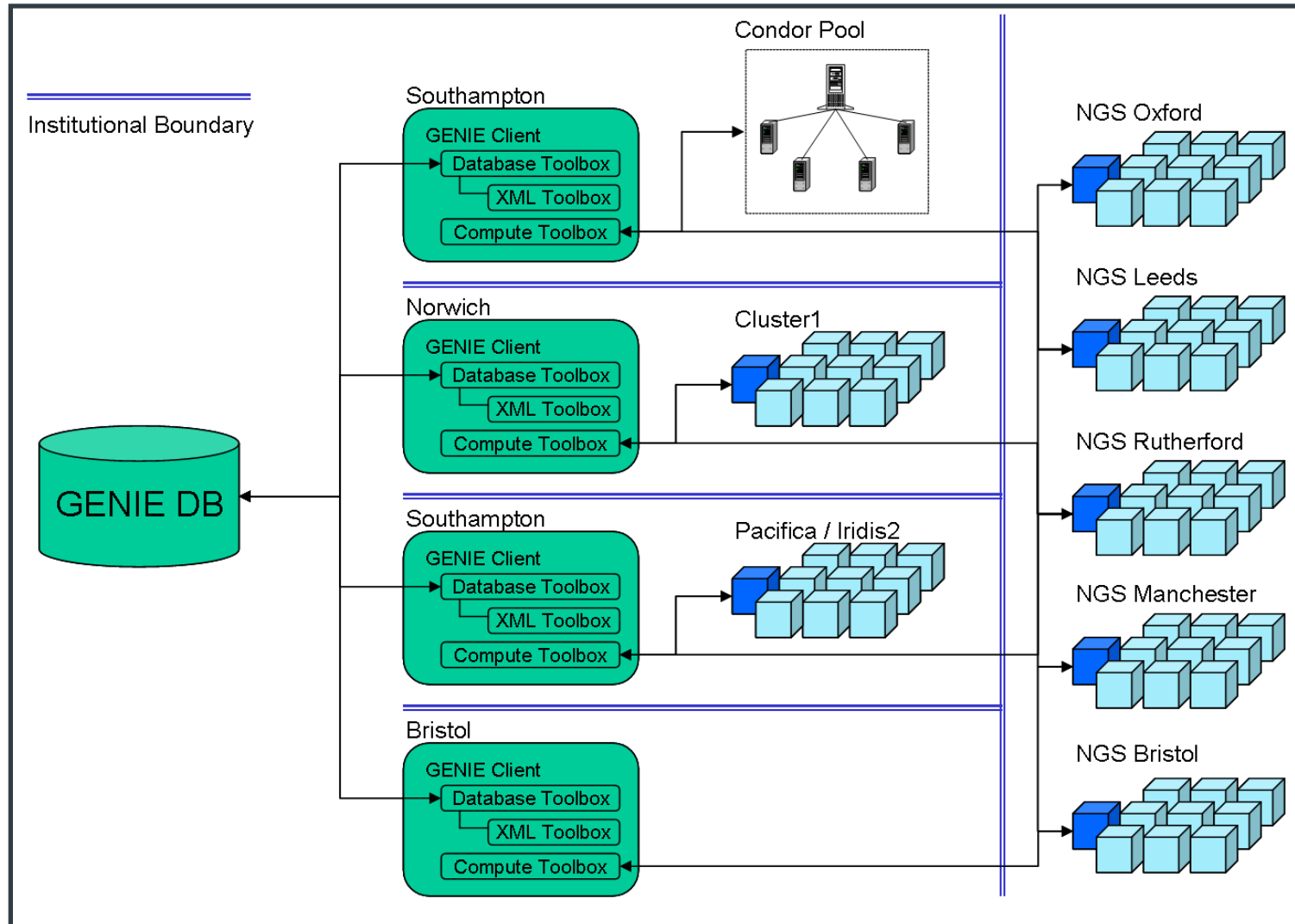
Parameter estimation workflow using the NSGA-II method with surrogate modelling

Windows Workflow Foundation



Re-usable components are composed to form the desired workflow in Visual Studio.

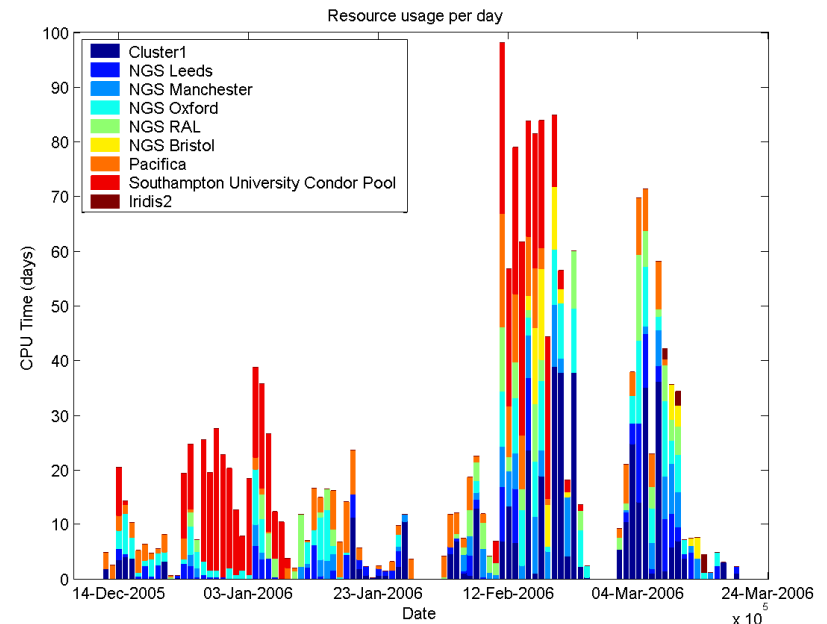
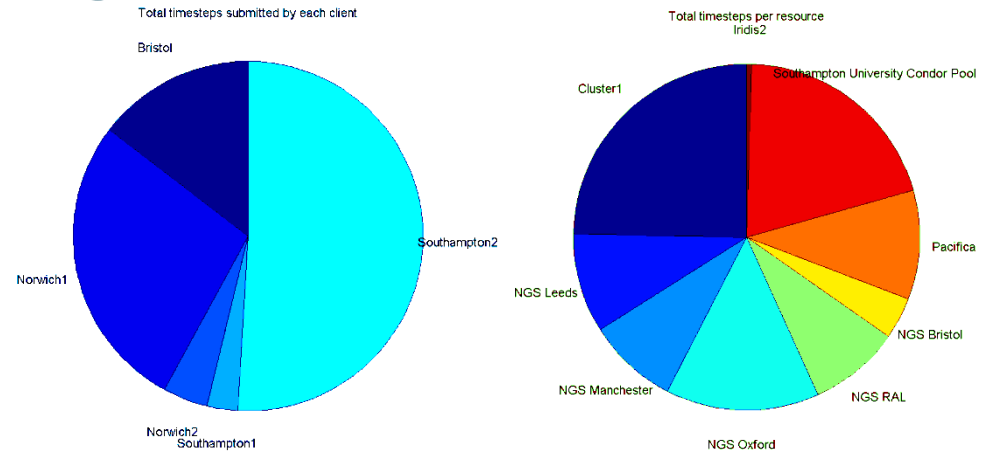
Collaborative Study



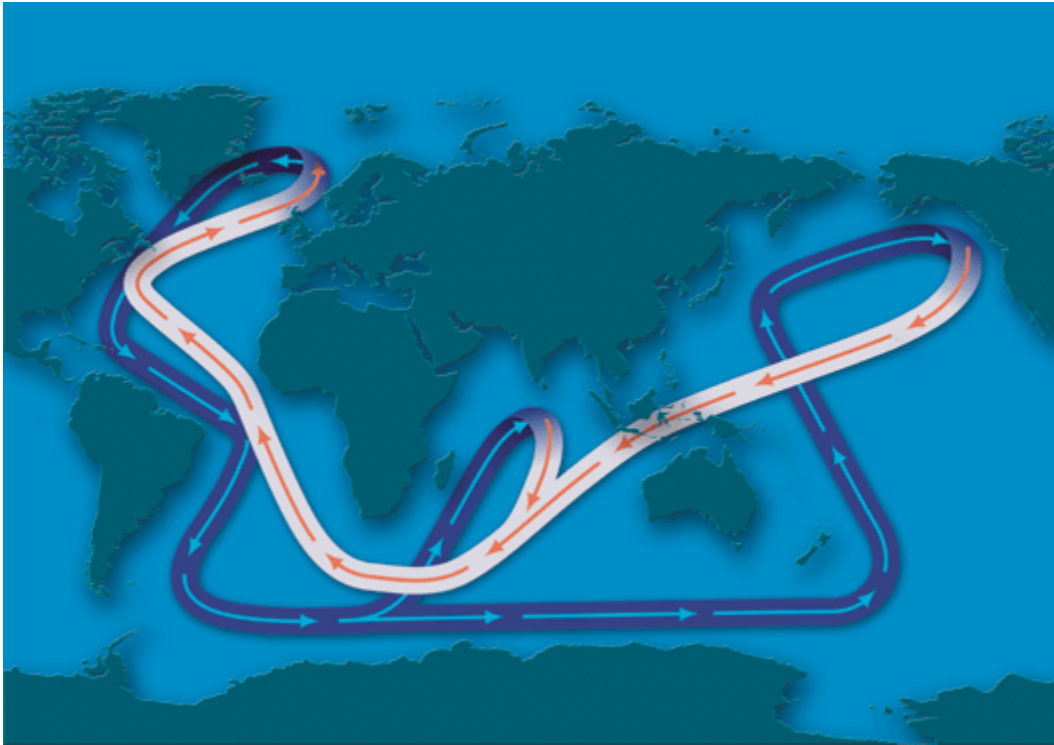
Schematic of GENIE client deployments at member institutes and the resources exploited to perform large ensemble calculations mediated by the GENIE database.

Use of Grid Computing

- No single institute had sufficient computing resource
- 12 ensemble studies
 - 362 simulations
 - 428,000 model years
 - 3,736 compute tasks
- 46,992 CPU hours
 - 1958 days = 5.36 years
- 9 compute resources
 - 5 nodes of UK National Grid Service
 - 3 Institutional HPC Clusters
 - Southampton University Condor pool

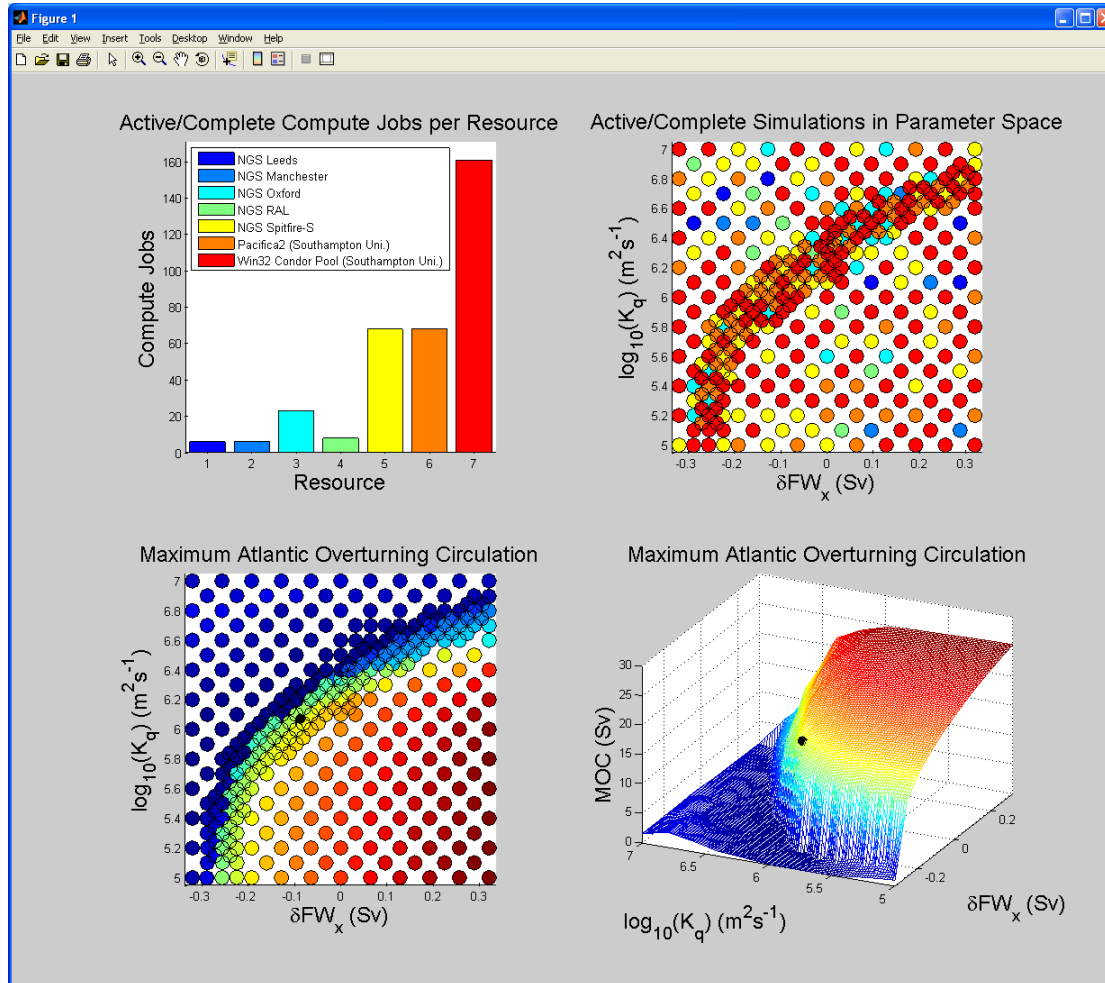


Thermohaline Circulation



The Earth's oceans are linked by a system of currents, driven by temperature and salinity, collectively known as the Global Conveyor Belt.

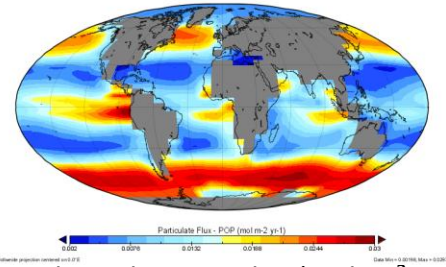
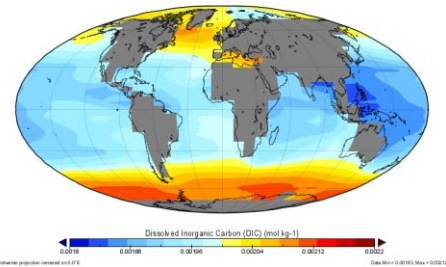
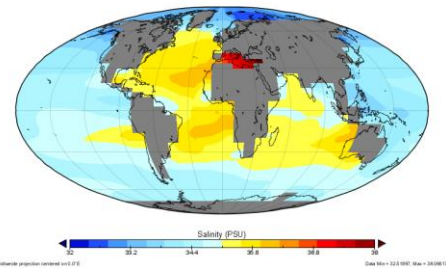
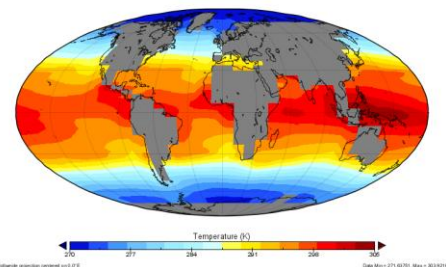
Interactive Monitoring GUI



The existing Matlab GUI is also used for interactive analysis and post-processing of the experiment data sets.

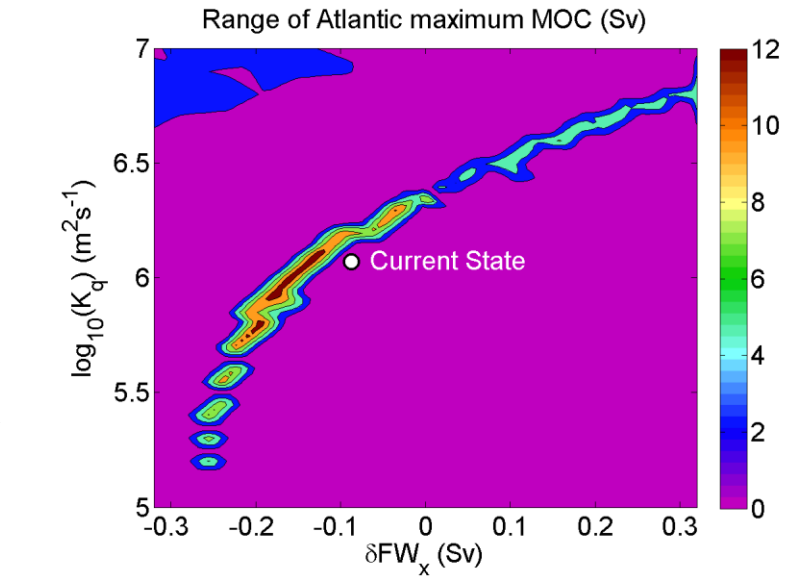
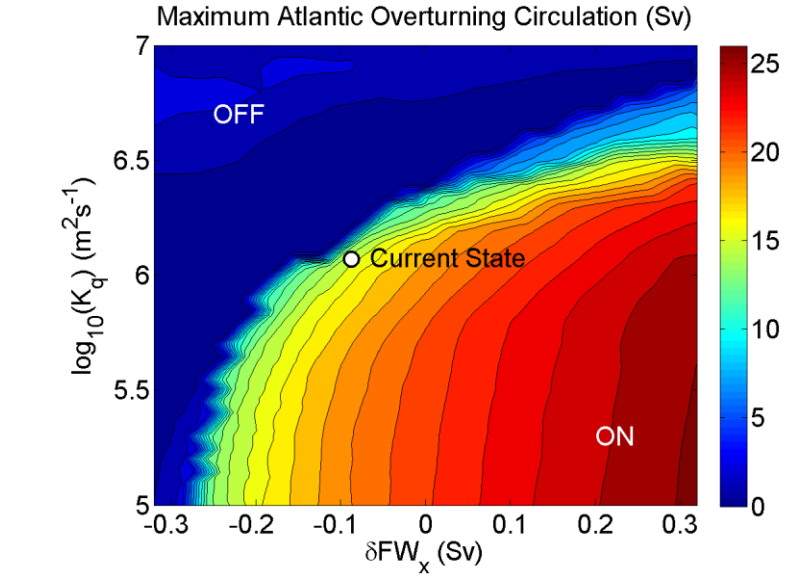
Atlantic Overturning Circulation "ON"

Difference: "ON" - "OFF"

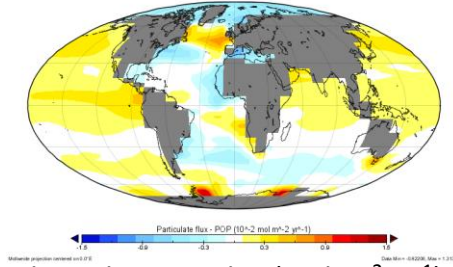
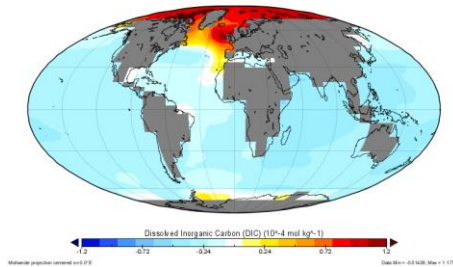
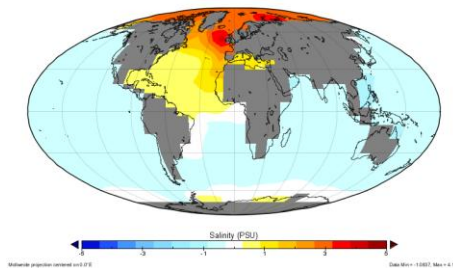
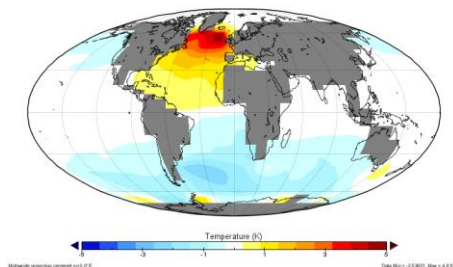


Atmosphere **more** diffusive

Atmosphere **less** diffusive



← Atlantic **wetter** Atlantic **drier** →



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