Leveraging the InCommon Federation to access the NSF TeraGrid

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What is the TeraGrid?

NSF-funded facility to offer high end compute, data, and visualization resources to the nation's academic researchers







TeraGrid Campus Integration

- ➤ The TeraGrid project is working in many ways to better integrate with campuses to support research and education
 - TeraGrid Campus Champions http://www.teragrid.org/eot/campuschamps.html
 - TeraGrid Client Software
 http://teragridforum.org/mediawiki/index.php?title=TeraGrid_Client_Software
- ➤ Authentication and Authorization is just one aspect of TeraGrid's Campus Integration efforts
- For more info about TeraGrid Contact: help@teragrid.org





TeraGrid and InCommon: Status

- > TeraGrid joined InCommon in July 2008
 - TeraGrid will be an InCommon Resource Provider
 - TeraGrid will <u>not</u> be an InCommon Credential Provider (at this time)
- Shibboleth integration with TeraGrid User Portal (TGUP) will begin soon
 - Today I'm presenting our plans





TeraGrid Federations

- TeraGrid Core Services
 - Manage accounts and allocations across resources and sites
 - Centralized resource usage accounting
 - TeraGrid Central Database (TGCDB)
- > X.509 Public Key Infrastructure (PKI)
 - International Grid Trust Federation (IGTF) (igtf.net)
 - Includes Certificate Authorities operating outside of TeraGrid
 - Enables single sign-on across TeraGrid systems and other grids





TeraGrid Federations

- TeraGrid Science Gateways Program
 - Enables TeraGrid to scale to large user communities by outsourcing front-end user support
 - Gateways are self-managed scientific communities
 - Gateways act as identity provider and resource broker
- > InCommon Federation
 - Facilitates campus login to TeraGrid resources by researchers and students
 - Provides an integrated login experience between campus and TeraGrid services





TeraGrid and InCommon: Goals

- First Step: Campus login to TeraGrid User Portal
 - Access administrative interfaces:
 Request Allocation, View Usage, List Accounts, Edit Profile, Register X.509 DNs, Add/Remove User
 - Access TeraGrid resources:
 SSH Terminal, File Transfer
 - Manage Training Accounts:
 Short-term student access using campus attributes
 Eliminate the need to distribute TeraGrid usernames
 and passwords in the classroom





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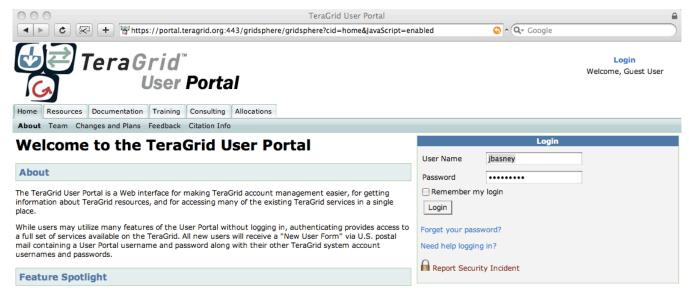
- ➤ Next Step: Campus logins to TeraGrid Science Gateways
 - Attribute-based access to community-focused interfaces
 - Operated by the community
 - Attributes used end-to-end from campus through gateway to TeraGrid resource providers and TeraGrid-wide accounting







TeraGrid User Portal (TGUP)



TeraGrid User Portal Now Offers File Manager Service

The NSF TeraGrid project exposes the academic research community to more than twenty distributed computational, visualization, and storage resources. Consequently, a significant user interest has grown in having the ability to remotely manage files via a web interface. In response to this need, the TeraGrid User Portal development team is happy to announce the availability of a new beta file manager service. Available through the TeraGrid User Portal, this file manager service includes the following features and capabilities.

- · A custom list of TeraGrid resources based on user's accounts.
- · The ability to transfer files between TeraGrid and local systems.
- An easy to use drag-and-drop interface.
- . The existence of delete, rename and copy features for managing files and directories.
- . The ability to view the status of current file transfers as well as the history of previous transfers.
- · Support for transferring files between TeraGrid resources and Amazon S3.

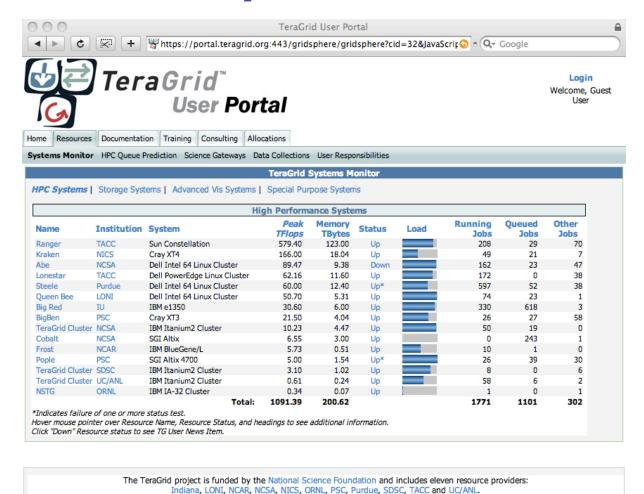
To manage your files on the TeraGrid User Portal, please log in and visit the 'Resources' area, select the 'File Manager [Beta]' to use the file manager service.

The TeraGrid project is funded by the National Science Foundation and includes eleven resource providers: Indiana, LONI, NCAR, NCSA, NICS, ORNL, PSC, Purdue, SDSC, TACC and UC/ANL.





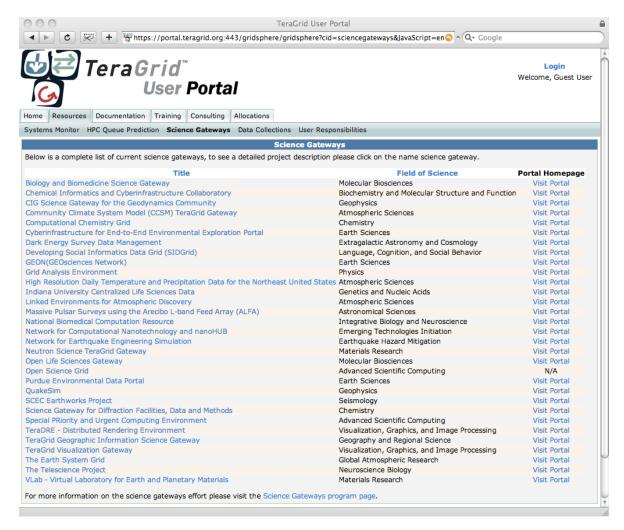
TGUP Systems Monitor







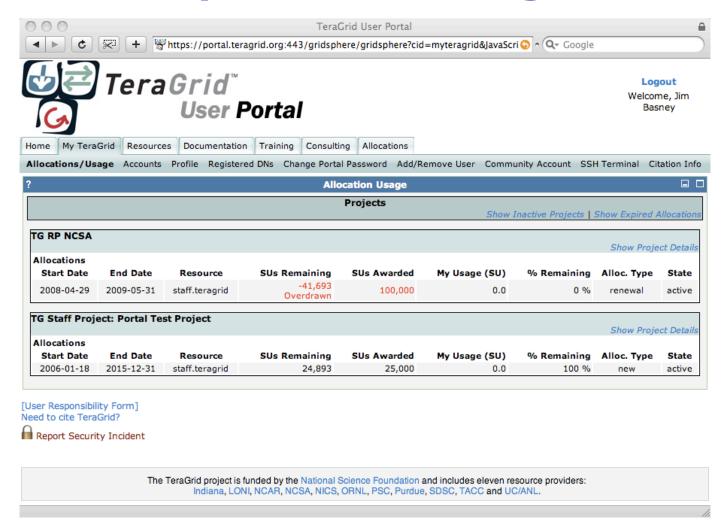
TGUP Science Gateways Listing







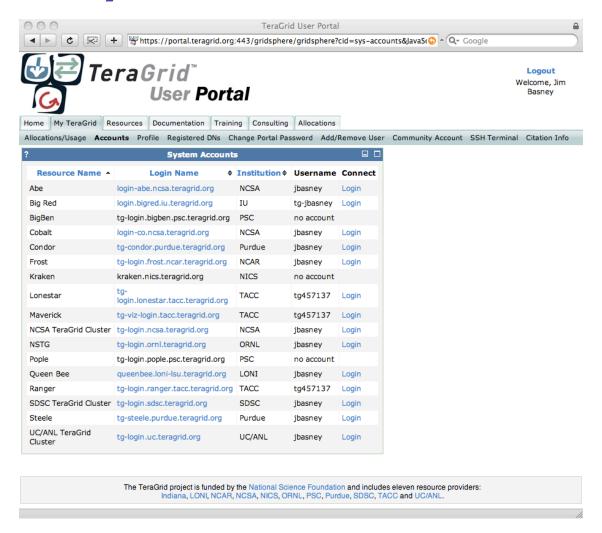
My TeraGrid: Usage







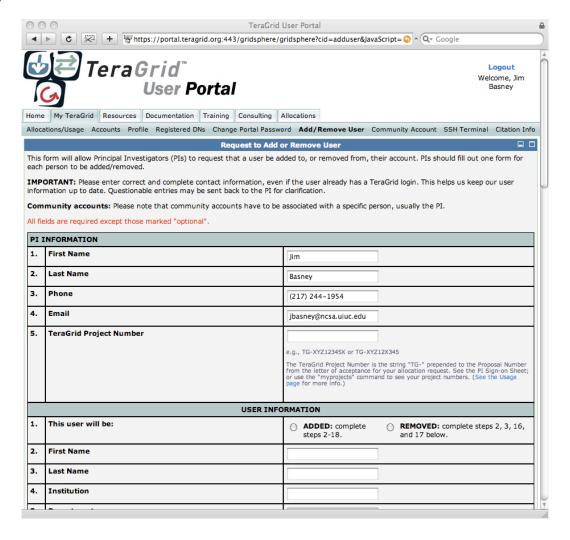
My TeraGrid: Accounts







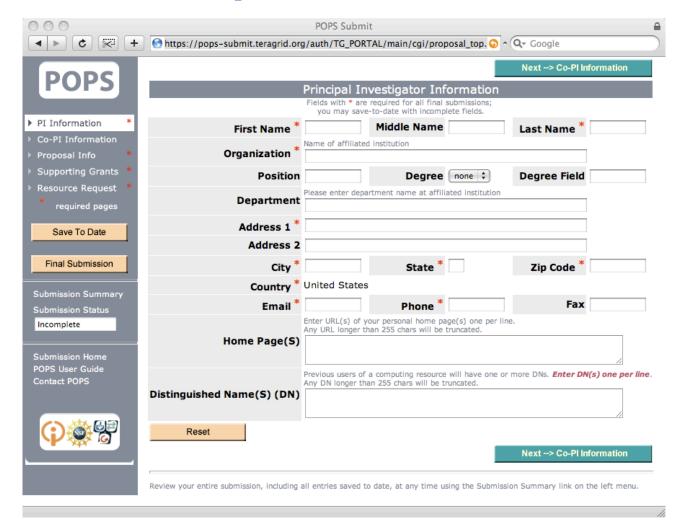
My TeraGrid: Add/Remove User







TG Proposal Submission







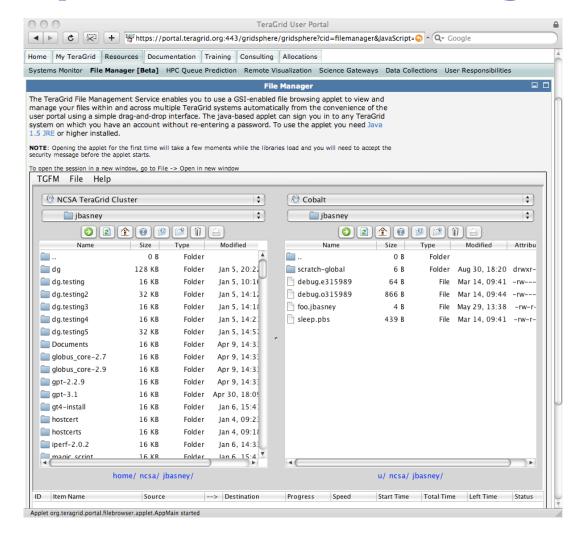
My TeraGrid: SSH Terminal







My TeraGrid: File Manager







Approach: Account Linking

> New User

- A new user authenticates to the TGUP via Shibboleth
- The user prepares and submits a proposal for TeraGrid resources
- If the proposal is approved, the user's TeraGrid account is created with a link to his/her ePPN/ePTID

> Result

 The user can access personalized TGUP functionality using campus Shibboleth authentication, without requiring a separate TGUP username and password





Approach: Account Linking

Existing User

- An existing user authenticates to the TGUP via Shibboleth
- The TGUP prompts for the user's TGUP username and password
- The user is given the option to link his/her ePPN/ ePTID to his/her TeraGrid account

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Access to TeraGrid Resources

- > TeraGrid resources support PKI authentication
 - Interfaces: GSISSH (remote login), GRAM (job submission), GridFTP (file transfer)
- > Approach:
 - Automatically obtain PKI credentials based on Shibboleth authentication to TGUP
 - Transparently use PKI credentials with TGUP SSH Terminal and File Manager
- > See
 - GridShib CA: http://gridshib.globus.org/
 - MyProxy CA: http://myproxy.ncsa.uiuc.edu/ca





Summary

- > TeraGrid has joined InCommon
 - To facilitate campus login to TeraGrid resources by researchers and students
- First Step: Campus login to TeraGrid User Portal
- Next Step: Campus login to Science Gateways
- > Thanks!
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