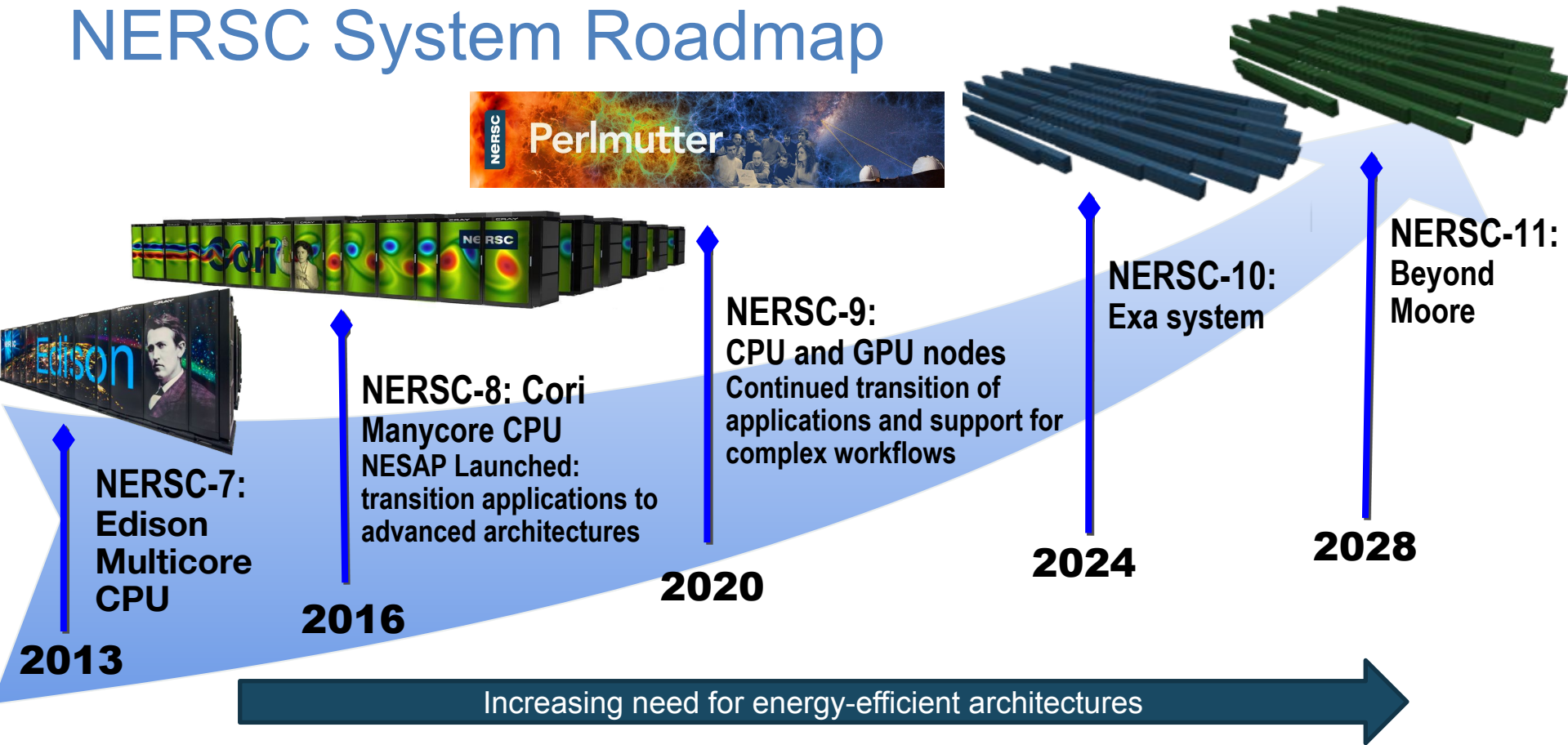


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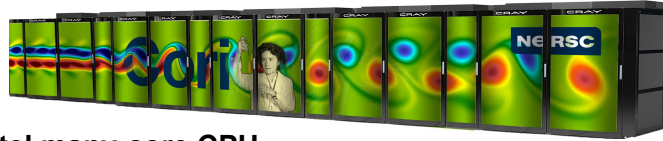
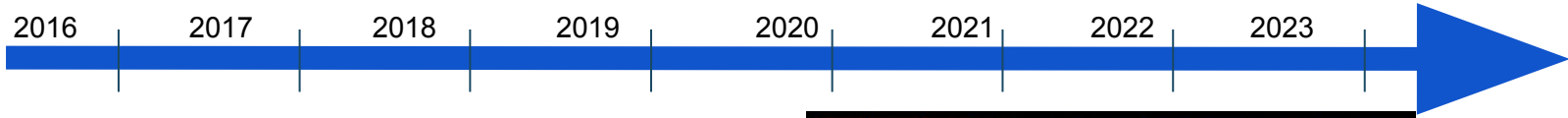


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# NERSC System Roadmap



# DOE HPC Roadmap - GPUs



Intel many-core CPU



NVIDIA Ampere

Intel GPUs



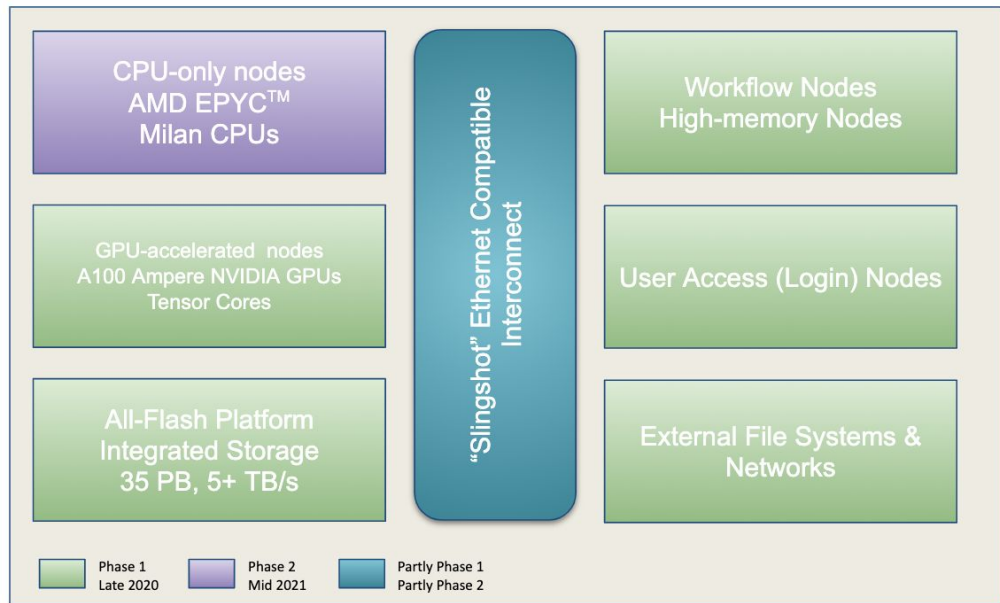
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AMD GPUs

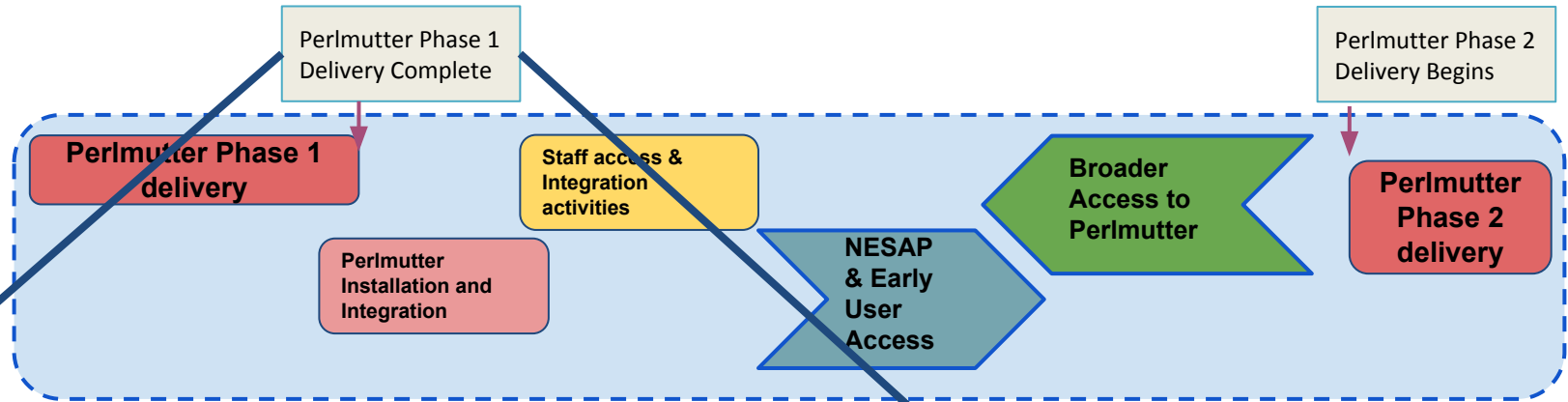
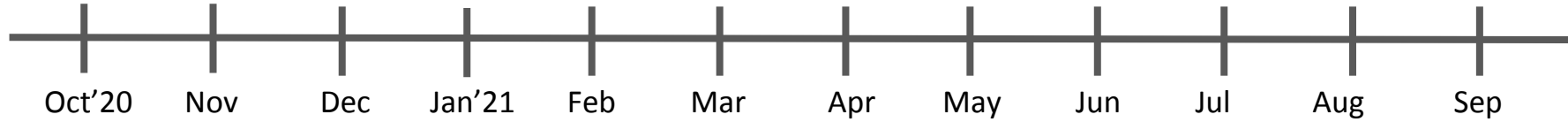
# Perlmutter: a System Optimized for Science

- AMD/NVIDIA **A100-accelerated and CPU-only nodes** meet the needs of large scale simulation and data analysis from experimental facilities
- Cray “**Slingshot**” - High-performance, scalable, low-latency Ethernet-compatible network
  - seamless connection between inside/outside the machine
- Single-tier **All-Flash Lustre** HPC file system, 6x Cori’s bandwidth
- Dedicated login and high memory nodes to support complex workflows





# Perlmutter Phased Timeline



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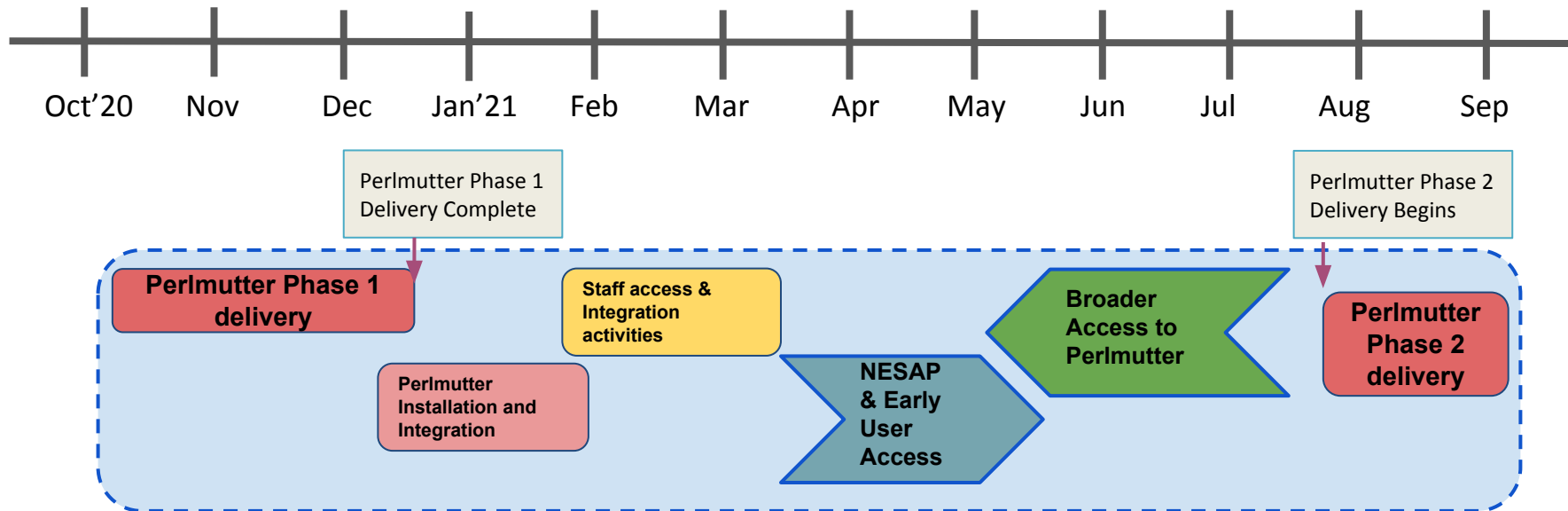
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  - Initially a subset of temporary Login nodes with Rome
- 12 GPU racks
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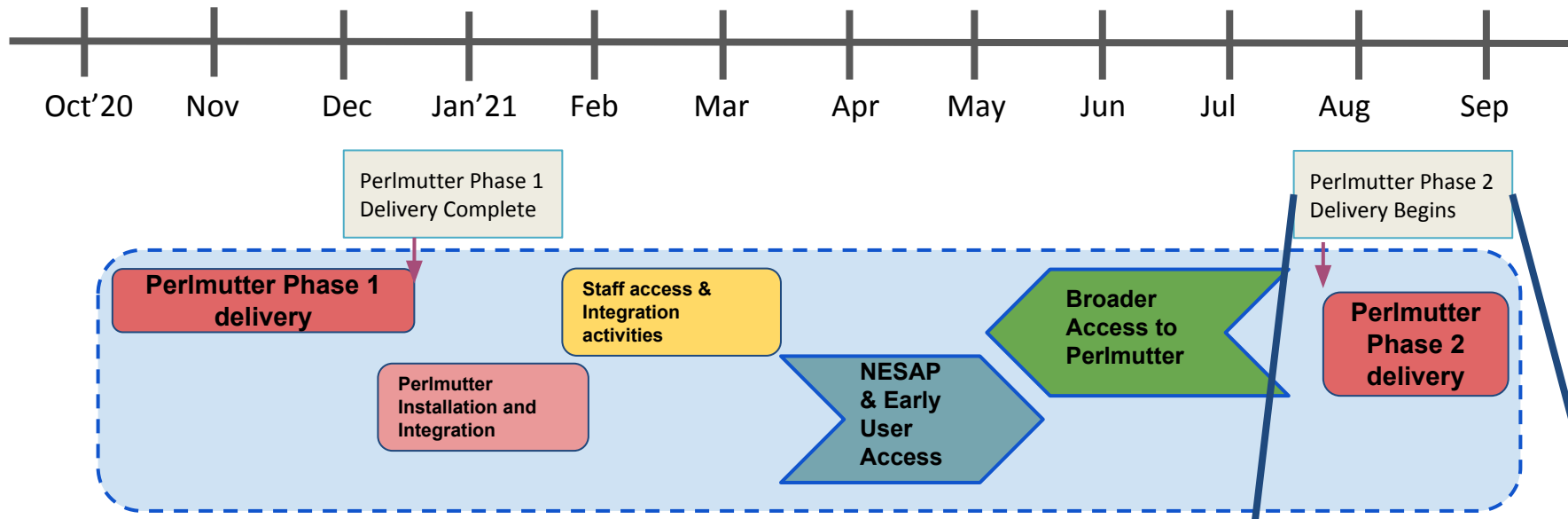
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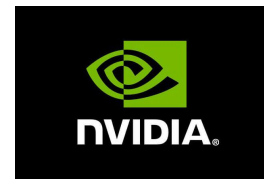
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# Perlmutter Compute Nodes



## CPU-only nodes: AMD Milan CPU

- ~64 cores
  - “ZEN 3” cores - 7nm+
  - AVX2 SIMD (256 bit)
  - 8 channels DDR memory
  - ~ 1x *Cori compute capacity*
- Rome specs

## GPU+CPU nodes: 1x Milan + 4x Nvidia A100

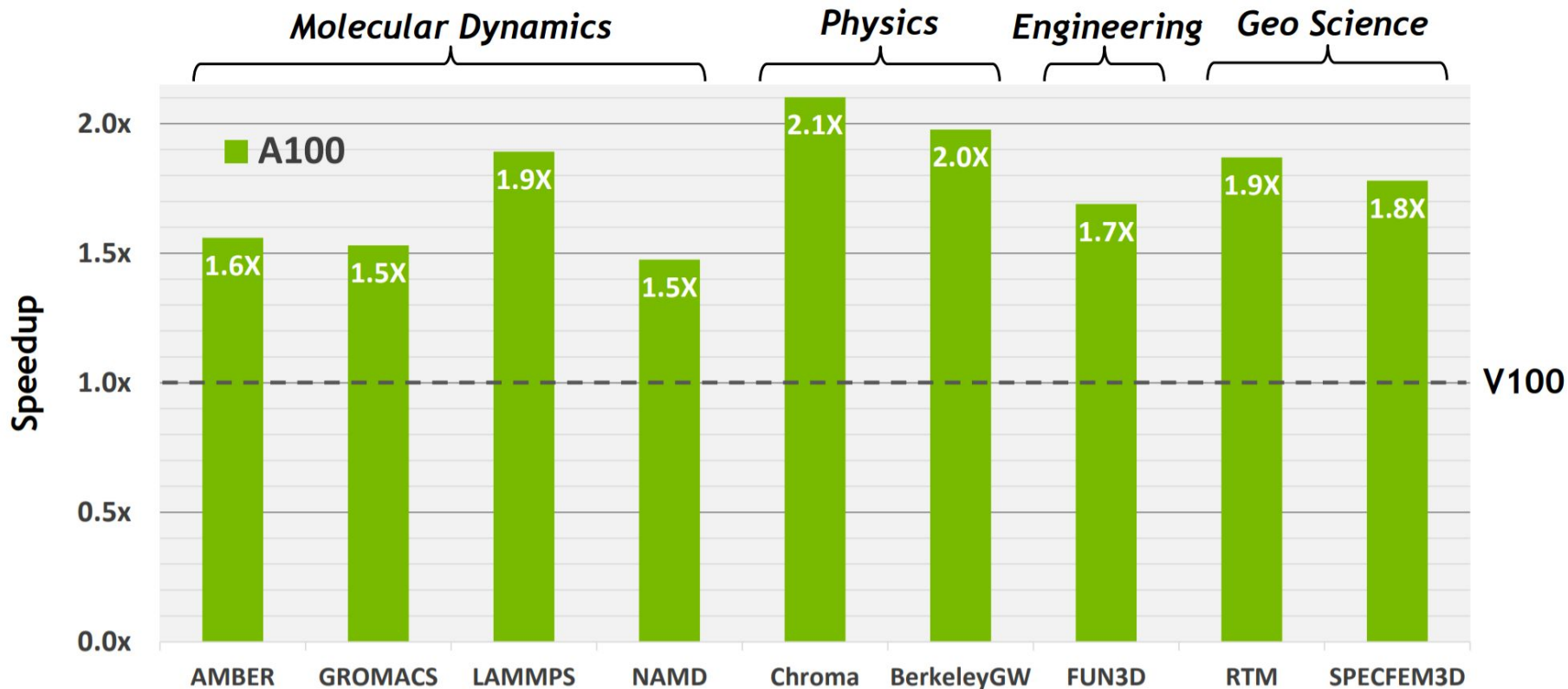
- NVLINK-3 (Between 4 GPUs)
- FP16, TF32, FP64 Tensor Cores
- GPU direct
- Multi-Instance GPU (MIG)
- ~3x *Cori compute capacity*

	V100	A100
FP64 Peak	7.5 TF FMA	19.5 TF TC (9.7 TF FMA)
FP16 Peak	125 TF TC	312 TF TC
SMs	80	108
Memory BW	900 GB/s	1555 GB/s
Memory Size	16 GB	40 GB
L2 Cache	6 MB	40 MB
Shared Mem. / SM	96 KB	164 KB

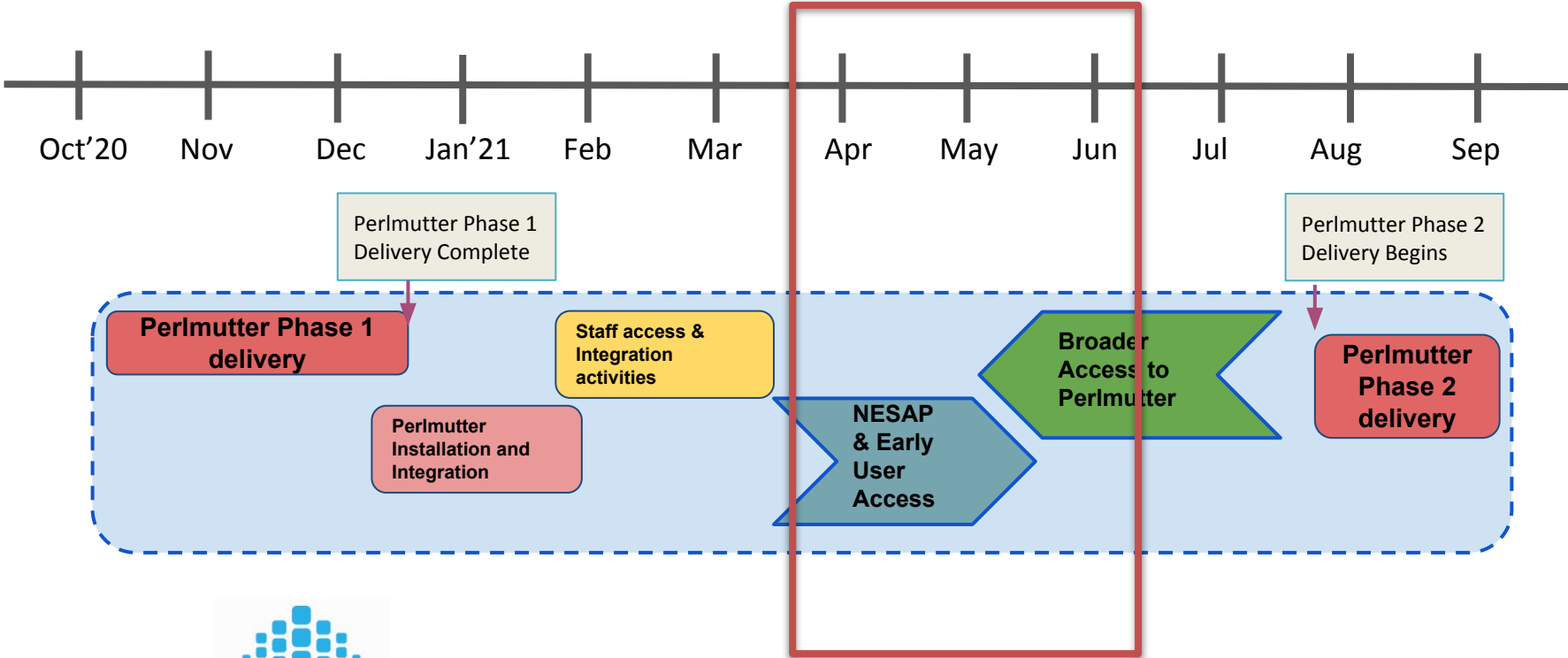




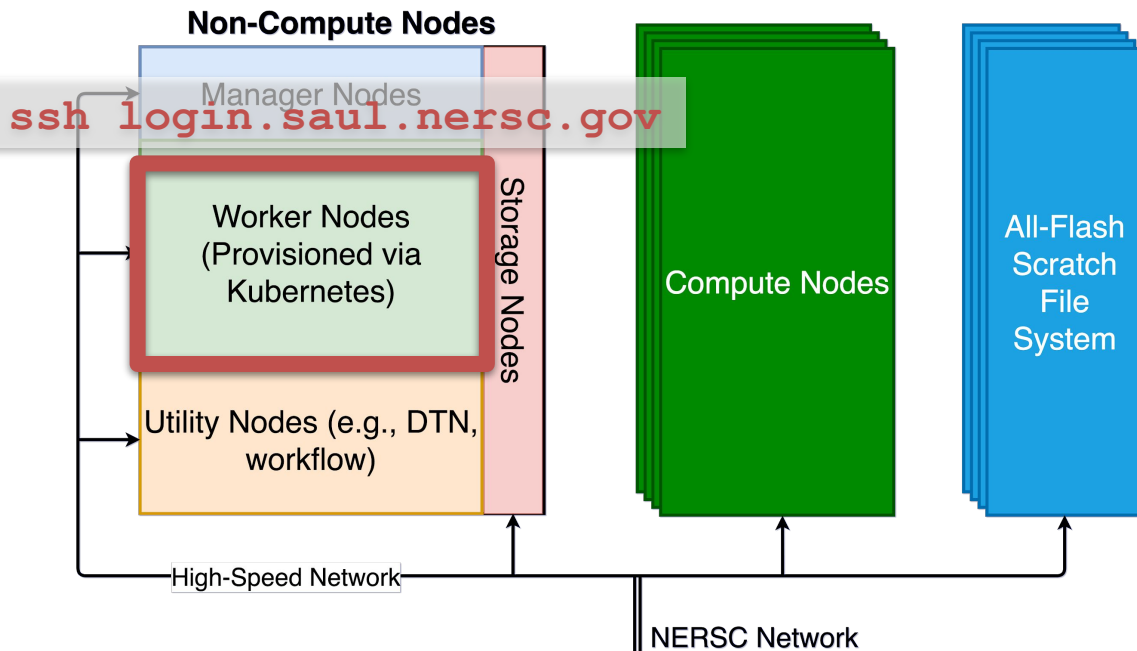
# A100 vs V100



# Perlmutter Phased Timeline



# Perlmutter Architecture: Conceptual Overview



- Each user lands within a container orchestrated by Kubernetes
  - Spin up resources as needed
  - Insulation from other users' behavior
- Jupyter also for login
- Slurm for job scheduling
  - Additional flag for GPU
  - Queue policies TBD, but should resemble Cori

# Programming Environment



	GPU Support	Fortran/C/C++	OpenACC 2.x	OpenMP 5.x	CUDA	Kokkos / Raja	Cray MPI
PGI	Vendor Supported	Vendor Supported	Vendor Supported	Vendor Supported	Vendor Supported	Vendor Supported	Vendor Supported
CCE	NERSC Supported	Vendor Supported	NERSC Supported	NERSC Supported	NERSC Supported	Vendor Supported	Vendor Supported
GNU	Vendor Supported	Vendor Supported	Vendor Supported	Vendor Supported	Vendor Supported	Vendor Supported	Vendor Supported
LLVM	NERSC Supported	NERSC Supported	NERSC Supported	NERSC Supported	NERSC Supported	NERSC Supported	NERSC Supported

Minerva Library	Vendor Supported?	GPU Enabled?
Python (Anaconda)	Vendor Supported	Vendor Supported
Spark	Vendor Supported	Vendor Supported
R	Vendor Supported	Vendor Supported
TensorFlow	Vendor Supported	Vendor Supported
Keras	Vendor Supported	Vendor Supported
Caffe	Vendor Supported	Vendor Supported
PyTorch	Vendor Supported	Vendor Supported

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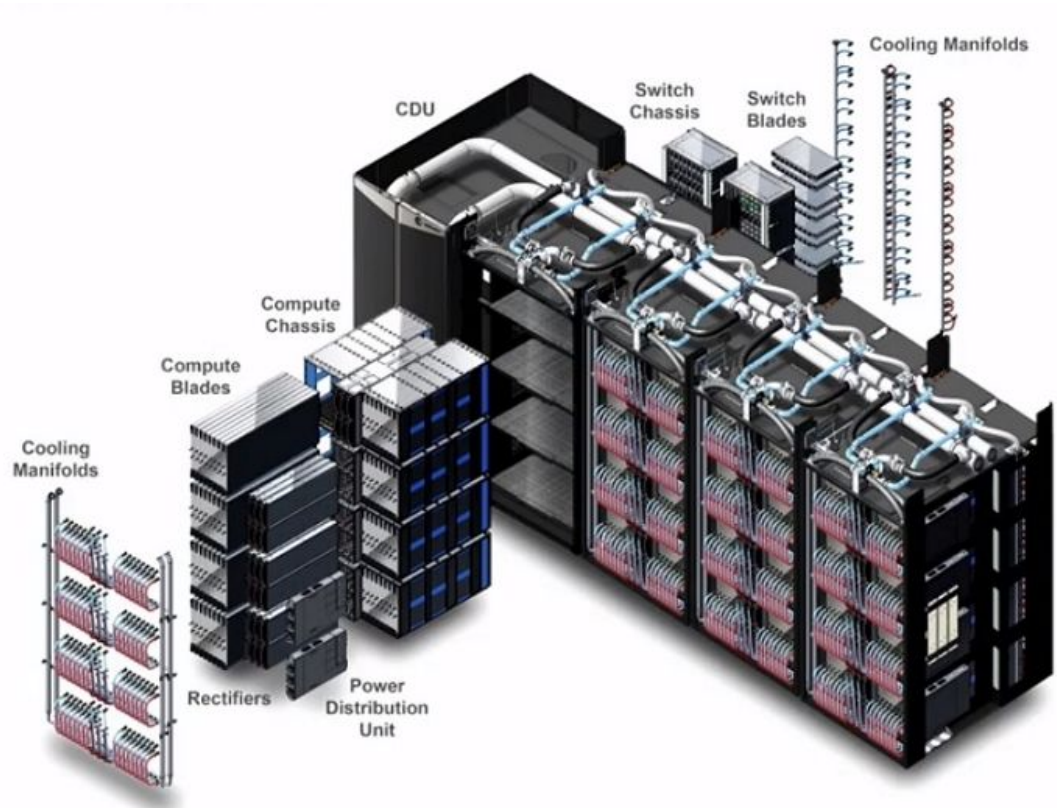
# Allocations & Charging

- In Allocation Year (AY) 2021:
  - All Perlmutter time will be “free”
  - However, no commitment for hours available
  - *Expect that there will be outages for testing & stabilization*
- ERCAP requests & charging will begin in AY 2022
- Allocation and Charging Units
  - **GPU Node Hours** for Perlmutter GPU accelerated nodes
  - **CPU Node Hours** for Perlmutter CPU, Cori Haswell and KNL nodes
  - **GPU & CPU** hours will not be interchangeable!
  - CPU Node Hour charges will incorporate performance scale factors for 3 types of nodes

# Perlmutter: Physical Integration

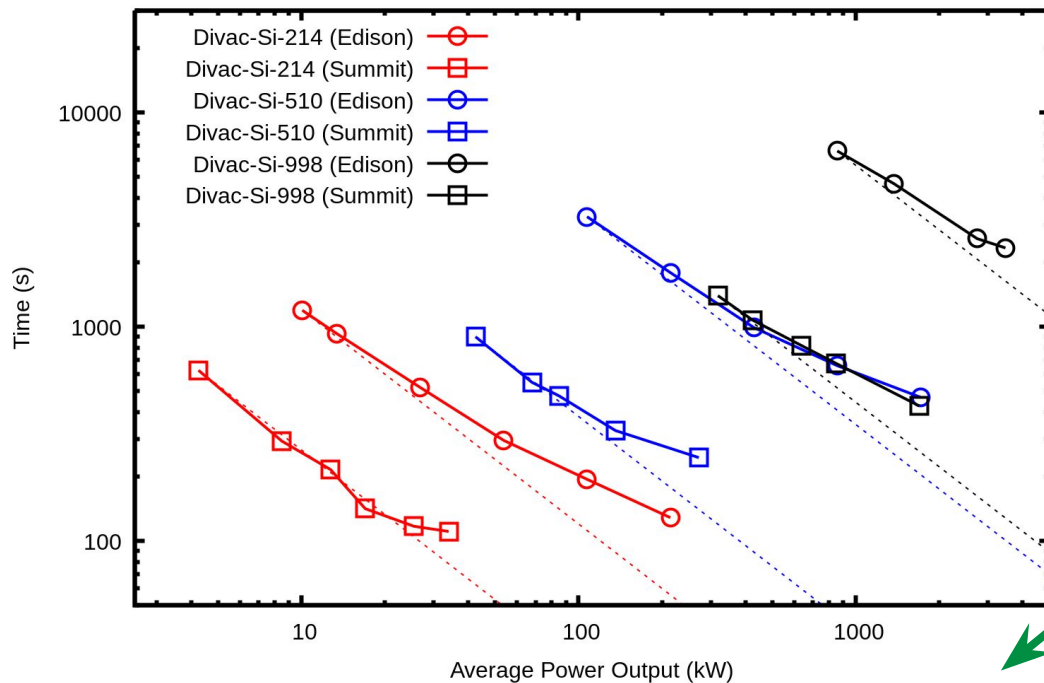
After moving cabinets into place, first step is physically connecting cabinets to power and water.

Then connections to the many networks that the system and NERSC need!





# Why GPUs



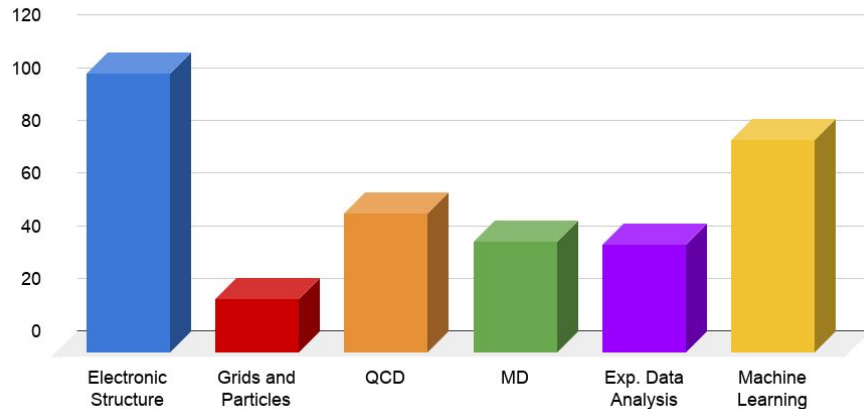
Improving  
Energy  
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# NESAP (NERSC Exascale Science Applications Program)

## Goal:

Partner with Cray/NVIDIA and ~25 Teams (broad range across workload) at Deep Level to Prepare Apps for Perlmutter.

Disseminate Lessons Learned to NERSC Community Through Documentation, at Training Events and Community Hackathons



## Higher is Better

Projected Speedups on Perlmutter over Edison for Top NESAP Apps in Algorithmic Areas.

Includes Software Improvements from NESAP.



GPU Community Hackathons



GPU For Science Days

# User Access to Perlmutter Phase I (GPU Nodes)

~ April 2021:

- All users given accounts to Phase I for code development and small-scale testing
- Priority access for large-scale testing and project milestones
  - NESAP teams
  - Exascale Computing Project teams

~ May 2021:

- Large-scale scientific computing access for all GPU-capable projects
- GPU-readiness evaluation form required
- Key GPU-enabled community apps will be available

# Perlmutter Environment will be largely familiar



- Differences:
  - LMOD instead of modules (also on Cori in AY21\*)
    - Hierarchical based modules, should be easier to find & load modules
  - Different programming environments
    - No Intel
- NERSC and/or Vendor will provide many libraries for users
- Users will be able to compile software not provided
  - User Spack instance, to draw upon pre-existing recipes
  - Help from NERSC consultants to install in user or project space
- New: Cray Minerva Data & Analytics Software Stack



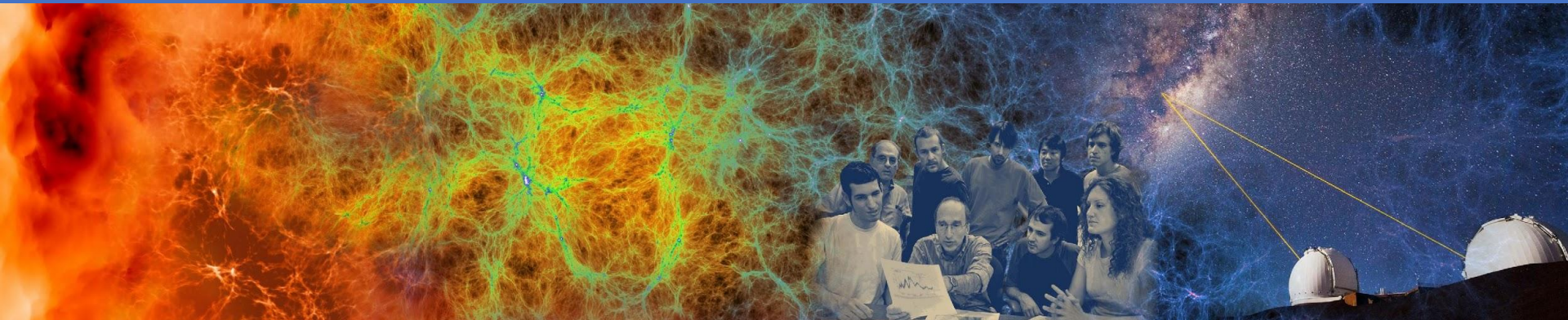
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# Learning Opportunities: Training and hackathons

- NERSC will hold training sessions for diverse interests and levels of experience
  - How to use the system, How to compile codes, Performance optimization, NVIDIA A100 Architecture deep dive, Development and tools, Machine Learning, Chemistry / materials science applications and more!
- Hackathons come in a variety of forms, but generally:
  - Pair code teams with experienced mentors.
  - Give an opportunity learn new profiling techniques and tools.
  - Identify, explore and directly fix problems with your codes.
  - Research and learn about new coding strategies and methods.
  - Develop contacts for future collaboration, code development and support.
  - Virtual-only formats are being adopted, tested and expanded on now.

# The Superfacility project: Federated ID @ NERSC



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# The CS Area Superfacility 'project' coordinates and tracks work to support experimental science at NERSC

## Project Goal:

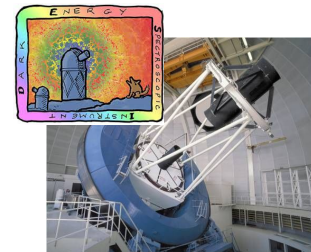
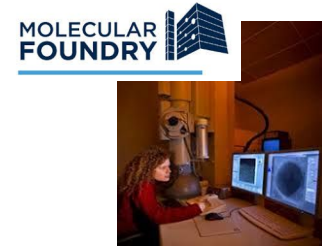
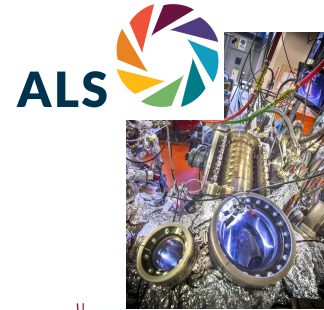
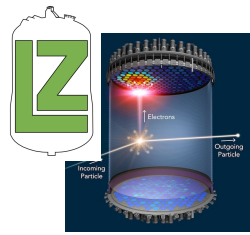
By the end of CY 2021, 3 (or more) of our 7 science application engagements will demonstrate automated pipelines that analyze data from remote facilities at large scale, without routine human intervention, using these capabilities:

- Real-time computing support
- Dynamic, high-performance networking
- Data management and movement tools
- API-driven automation
- Authentication using **Federated Identity**



Find out more at our recent demo series:

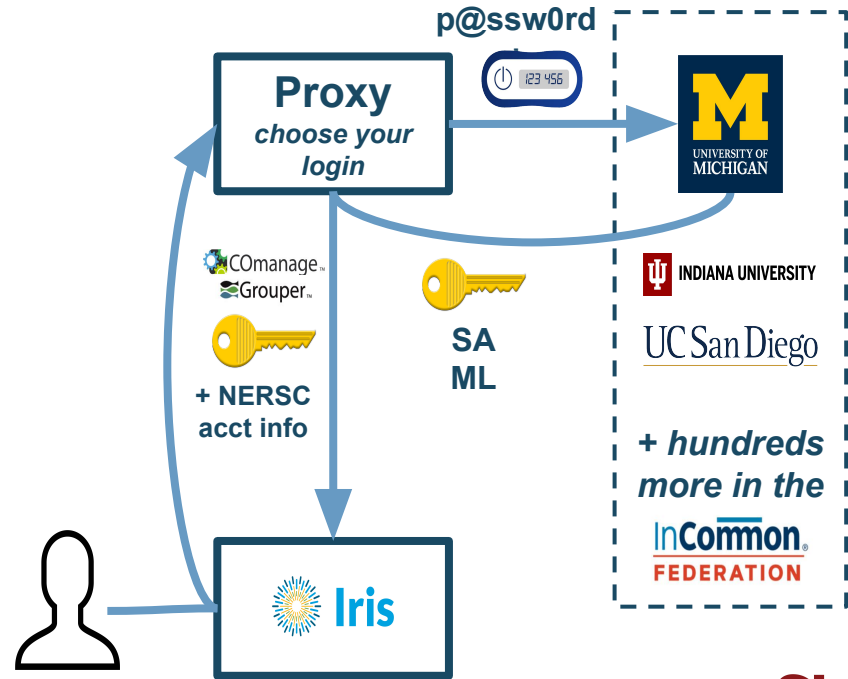
<https://www.nersc.gov/research-and-development/superfacility/>



# Federated Identity @ NERSC

Federated Identity (FedID) allows a person to use a **single digital identity across multiple organizations**

- Simplifies cross-facility workflows (Superfacility)
- Users benefit from fewer, more familiar, passwords and login pages
- NERSC benefits from fewer support tickets (eg, password resets)
- Home institution manages the user identity lifecycle
- NERSC still manages local authorization
- Core technology is well-established and mature

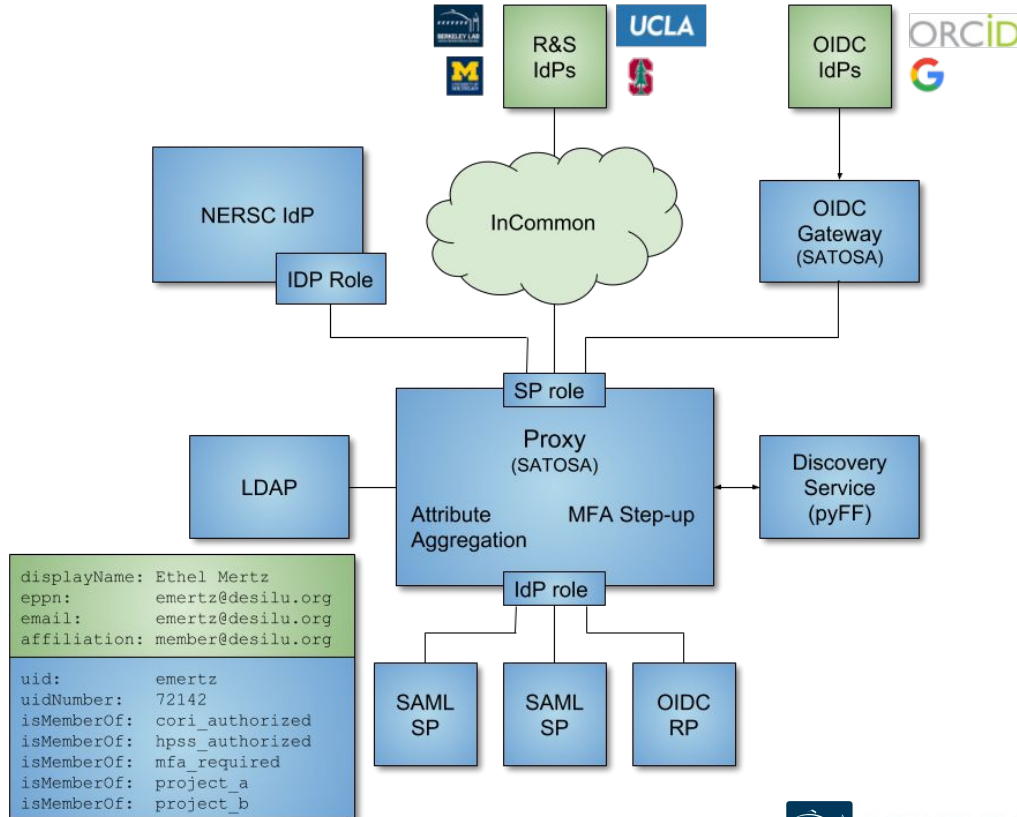


- Moving towards a single SLAC Identity (AD) means one less account to manage; one less password.
  - Identity and Access Management (IAM) project goals include improved single sign on. Using a single account (AD, or “SLAC ID”) for authentication and authorization moves us in that direction.

# Federated ID @ NERSC

- Spent much of 2019 and 2020 putting the key technologies in place
  - Iris, IAM technical design review
    - “Choice of IAM service tools (e.g. Grouper, CoManage, Shibboleth IdP & SP) and web-development tools (e.g. React, Flask) are good choices and state-of-the art”
  - Iris Rollout (December 2019)
- Internal security review of policy (completed), technology (in-progress)
- Taking proposal for phased rollout to DOE program managers this Fall
  - Pre-Pilot: Berkeley Lab (1 month)
  - Pilot: DOE Labs + DOE OneID (1-2 months)
  - Full Deployment: Above + SIRTFI-Compliant InCommon Members (ongoing)
- Alignment with DOE’s Distributed Computing Data Ecosystem (DCDE) pilot
  - Same standard technology stack under consideration: COmanage / Grouper / Shibboleth / SATOSA, SAML authentication

# Federated ID Login Flow

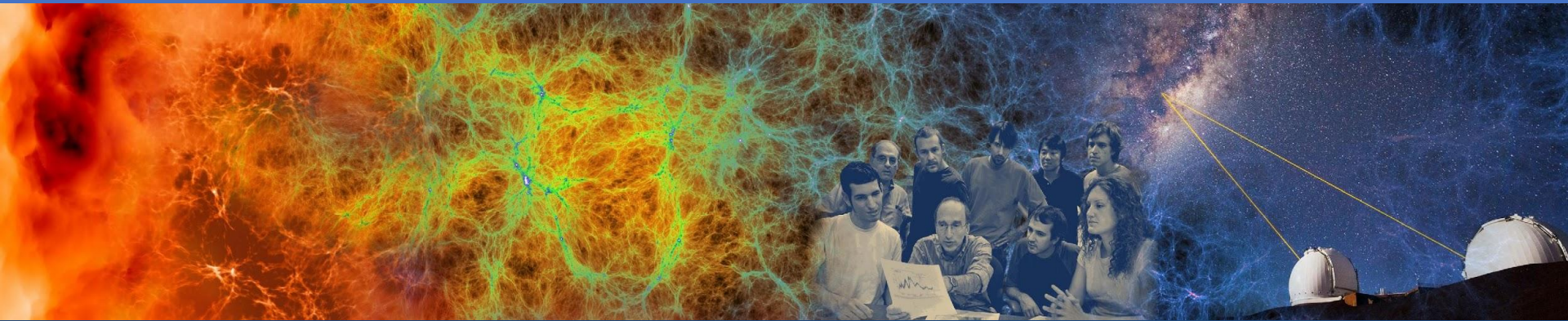


# Federated ID @ NERSC

- Plan to accept authentications from:
  - DOE providers
  - InCommon providers in Research and Scholarship category that assert compliance with SIRTFI security framework
- IdP of last resort will continue to be NERSC
- Future possible additions
  - More of InCommon
  - International providers (eg CERN)
  - Social providers (eg ORCID)

# Thanks!

Catch up on NERSC news from the NUG Annual Meeting last week:  
<https://www.nersc.gov/users/NUG/annual-meetings/nug-2020/>



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