Collaborative data-driven science





Cosmological Simulations on SciServer

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Why theory interest group?

- Theory needs special attention
 - whitepaper with Joerg Colberg 2004, <u>https://wiki.ivoa.net/internal/IVOA/IvoaTheory/Theory_in_the_VO_whitepaper.pdf</u>
- Hard to standardize simulations
 - Observational standards do not apply
- Heterogeneity of data products
 - not just photons at time T from direction V with energy E and polarization P
- No common sky
 - what to query?
- No common objects
 - what to compare, cross-match?



Theory Interest Group Charter

The IVOA Theory Interest Group will:

- Provide a forum for discussing theory specific issues in a VO context.
- Contribute to other IVOA working groups to ensure that theory specific requirements are included.
- Incorporate standard approaches defined in these groups when designing and implementing services on theoretical archives.
- Define standard services relevant for theoretical archives.
- Promote development of services for comparing theoretical results to observations and vice versa.
- Define relevant milestones and assign specific tasks to interested parties.

https://wiki.ivoa.net/twiki/bin/view/IVOA/IvoaTheory



Theory Interest Group

- Represents theorists to IVOA
- Represents IVOA to theorists
- 2 standards:
 - Simulation Data Model (SimDM):
 - Kinda registry for simulation products
 - Simulation Data Access Layer (SimDAL)
 - <u>https://ivoa.net/documents/SimDAL/20170320/index.html</u>
 - Discovery and retrieval of simulation products
- I think fair to say not much take up





Theory in the VO (Lemson & Colberg, 2004)

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This is not trivial, especially for simulations



Data growing exponentially

Expertise required to optimize big data analysis; downloads unfeasible



Science increasingly collaborative

Data and analysis sharing often ad hoc



Simulation data sets much more heterogeneous

Diverse set of skills and knowledge required to interpret each of these



Analysis methods ever more sophisticated

Increasing desire to apply latest ML techniques, requiring more sophisticated computational resources



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Our solution: the SciServer Science Platform





Also, using K8S, at MPE (eROISTA) NAOJ (PFS) NIST JHMI PMAP (crunchr)





Taghizadeh-Popp etal, *SciServer: A science platform for astronomy and beyond* Astronomy and Computing, Volume 33, article id. 100412

See also:

https://www.stsci.edu/contents/newsletters/2018-volume-35-issue-01/science-platformsserver-side-analytics https://baas.aas.org/pub/2020n7i146/release/1

Now available: SciServer Essentials 2.0 image with Python 3.8 (Anaconda 2020.11), R 4.0.3, TensorFlow 2.3.0, PyTorch 1.7.1

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Cosmological Simulations on SciServer

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Data sets

- Millennium-s ~70TB
- Indra ~700TB
- Eagle subset
- Illustris subsetTBD VirgoDC





Special features

- Relational database: Millennium, Indra, Eagle
 - Halos, merger trees, semi-analytic galaxies, light cones
- Access to raw data files
 - Direct mounted access in compute containers
 - From database through "FileDB"
- Virtual Telescope software
- Dask cluster for distributed calculations
 - Bridget Falck: P(k) for all Indra simulations
- Custom codes, e.g.
 - LSST Simulation pipeline docker image
 - Nemo simulation code installed in user container



Millennium halo density profiles (pure SQL) Fit to Hernquist profile (python)





Query particles in sphere/box

- Divide simulation volume in regular grid
- Index using space filling curve
- Calculate overlap space filling curve with query volume





- Execute as table-valued function from database
- Technology: C# for SQLCLR table-valued-function



Virtual telescopes

- Light cone using python for snapshot boundaries and SQL for data retrieval
- Synthetic image using Millennium Run Observatory code (Overzier etal 2013)



SciServer

Eagle: relational source catalog plus raw data



In []: M # multiply by .6777 for proper scaling between database and particle positions centers=df[['CentreOfPotential_x','CentreOfPotential_y','CentreOfPotential_z']].values*.6777 c=centers[0];lims=[c[0]-.4,c[0]+.4,c[1]-.4,c[1]+.4,c[2]-.4,c[2]+.4] snap.select_region(*lims)

DASK on Indra

Bridget Falck, interop Nov 2020, arXiv:2101.036310

- Distributed file system
- DASK parallel python cluster
- 448 Cloud-In-Cell density grids
- Power spectrum calculation on eac
- 481 billion particles in total
- 2 hours
- (Not generally available yet)





v(k) (h⁻¹Mpc)³

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Ready for standardization?

Databases

- TAP ok for simulations?
- TAP on no-sql backends?
- Direct access I/O libraries from data providers iso DAL protocols
 - astroquery-like
 - yt
- Containerization for compute
 - How represent data stores?
 - Upload (docker) images?
 - Need MPI?
 - Role for Kubernetes
- Jupyter
 - Interactive?
 - UWS for batch?
- Authentication and access privileges
 - GWS Groups



Questions

- Sustainability: Who pays for it all?
 - SciServer involved in grant proposals, but sufficient for Astro?
- Can the cloud help?
 - https://www.nature.com/articles/d41586-020-02284-7
 - Astronomy Data Commons? (Juric etal, Cambridge, MA, 2020)
 - Expensive for storage and egress: Are simulators rich enough?
 - But compute scales elastically and maybe user can be asked to pay?
 - Hybrid solutions, cloud overflow
- Which simulation products most valuable?
 - Raw or derived?
 - What use cases? "virtual observatories"?
 - Piggy backing on platforms for the large observational programs?



Thank you