

Chiltepin: A Federated Workflow System for Earth Science



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What if? Numerical weather prediction at the crossroads[☆]

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Some Existing NWP Workflow Products

- Rocoto (NOAA / GSL)
- ecFlow (ECMWF)
- Cylc (NIWA)
- CIME (NCAR)
- EWOK (JEDI)
- Autosubmit (Barcelona Supercomputing Center)
- uwTools (NOAA / GSL, EPIC)

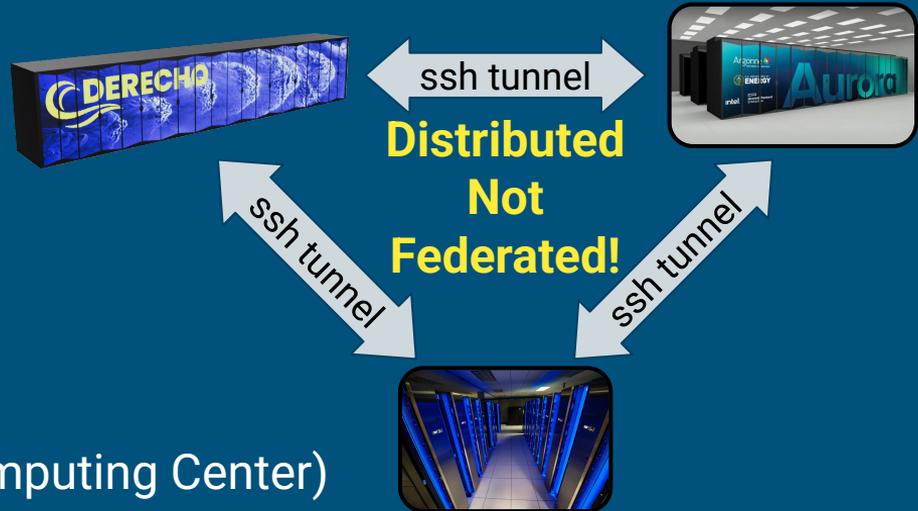


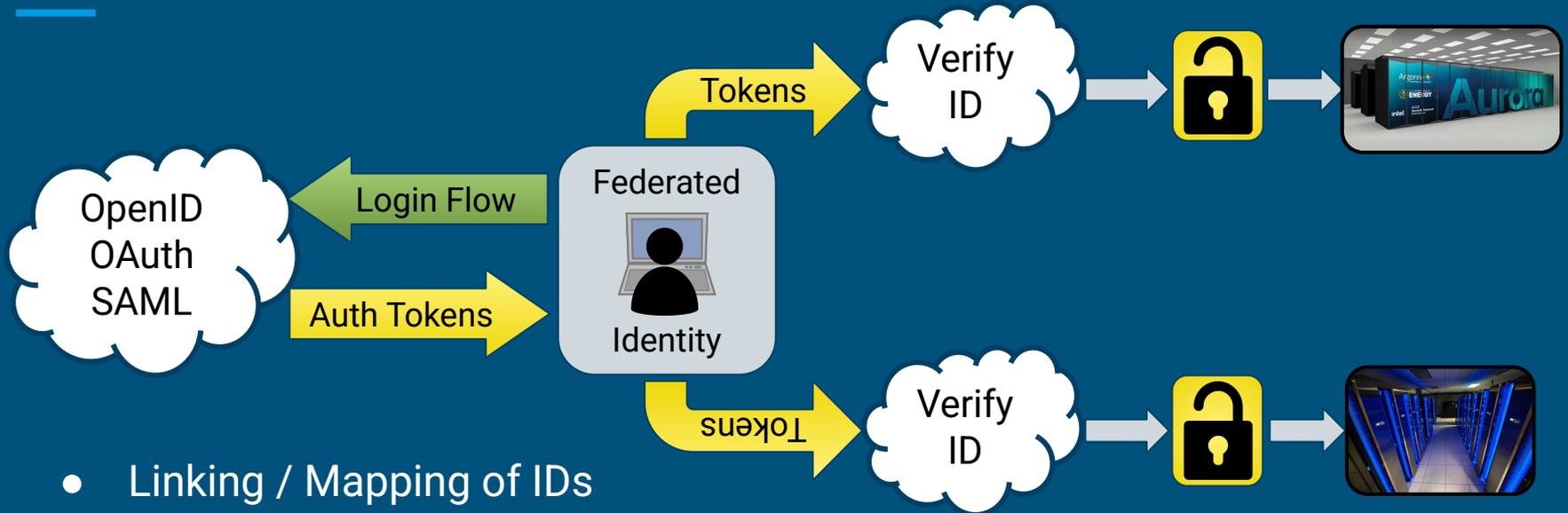
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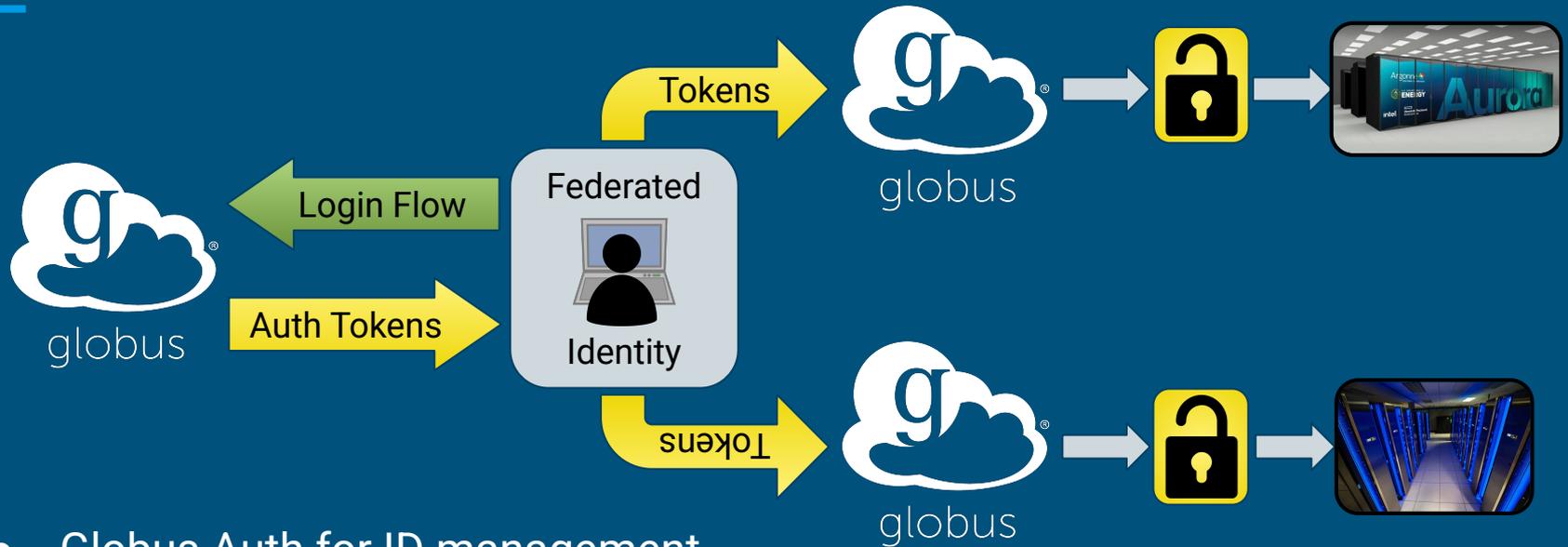
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What is a Federated Workflow?



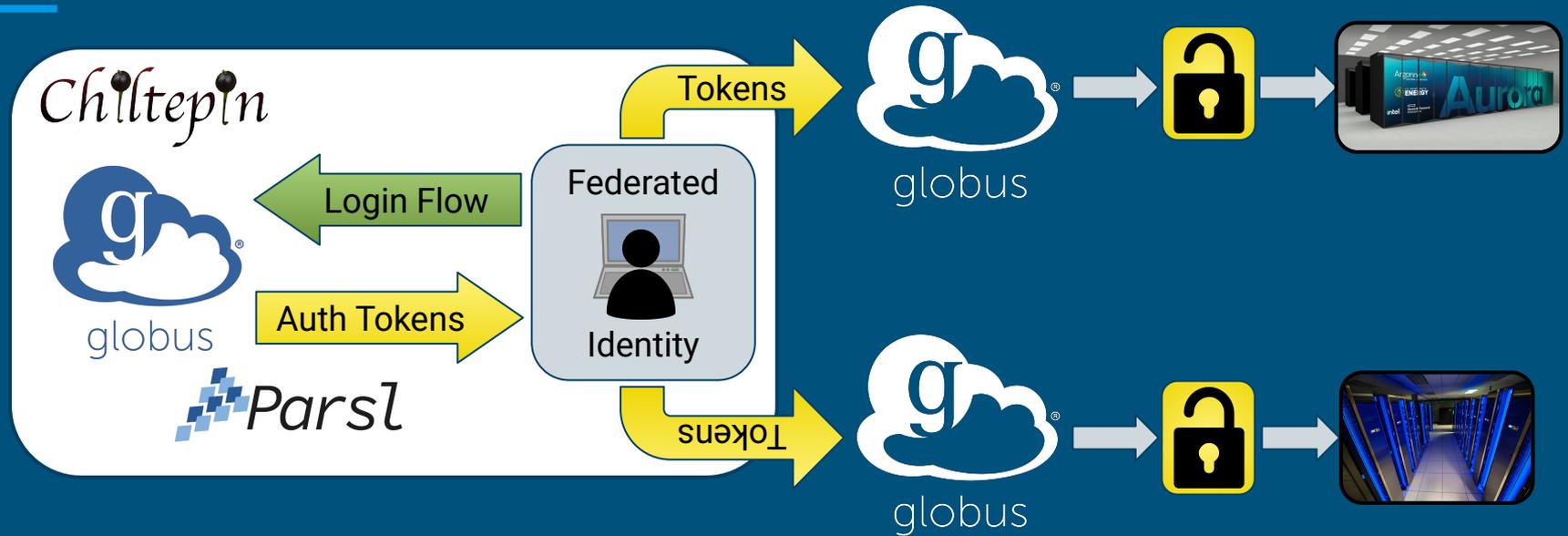
- Linking / Mapping of IDs
- Access control & limited scopes
- Reusable credentials until expiration
- Secure access across autonomous resources

Chiltepin Leverages Existing Solutions



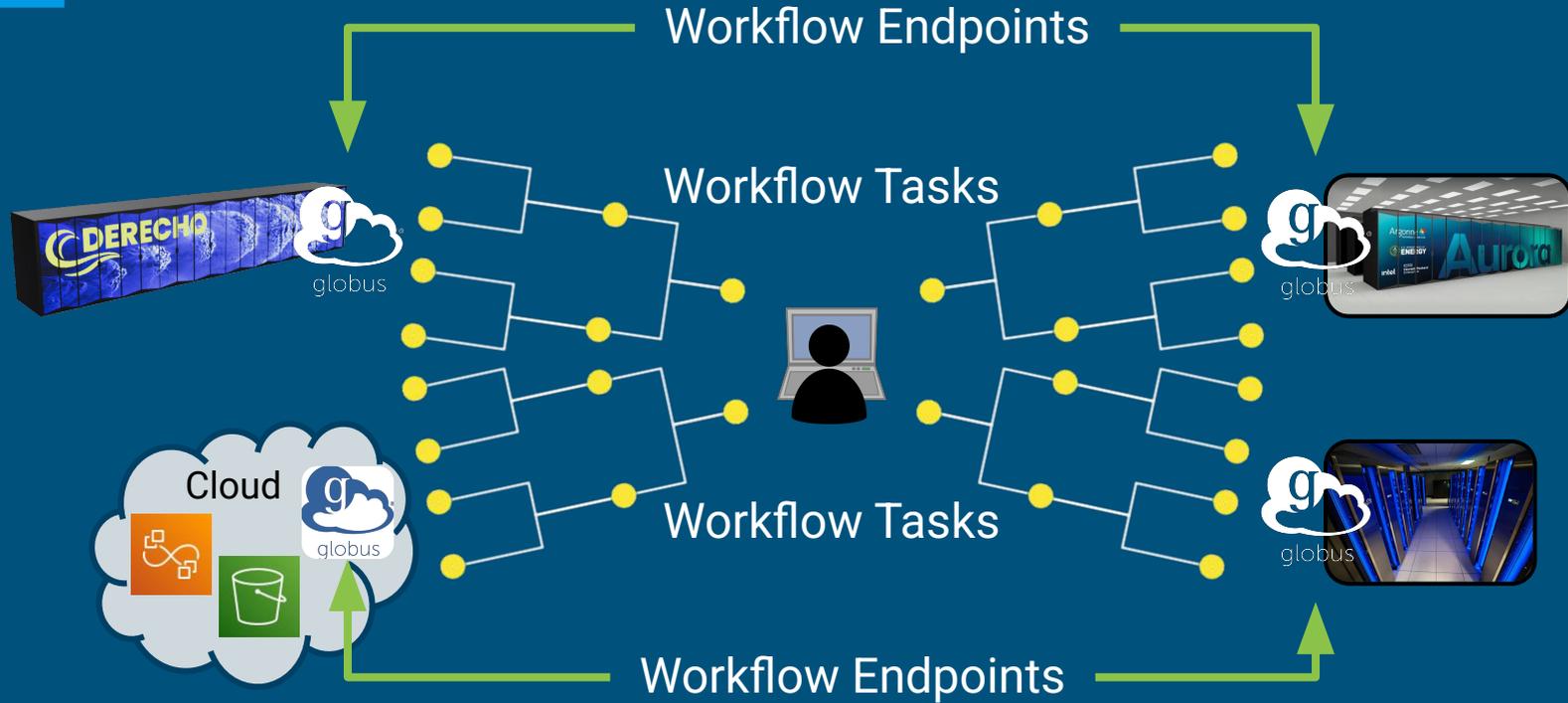
- Globus Auth for ID management
- Globus Compute FaaS for execution at workflow endpoints
- Globus Transfer for data movement

Chiltepin Leverages Existing Solutions



- Parsl for workflow automation
- Parsl's GlobusComputeExecutor for remote execution
- Globus SDK for login & transfers

Chiltepin Vision



Chiltepin Compute Endpoint Lifecycle Mgmt

```
$ chiltepin endpoint configure myendpoint
```

```
$ chiltepin endpoint list
```

```
myendpoint None Initialized
```

```
$ chiltepin endpoint start myendpoint
```

```
$ chiltepin endpoint list
```

```
myendpoint 46060b64-8383-4577-a74e-a45f928592dc Running
```

Chiltepin Tasks Are Python Functions / Futures

```
class MPAS:
```

```
    @bash_task
```

```
    def mpas_init(self, ...):
```

```
        ...
```

```
    @python_task
```

```
    def mpas_forecast(self, ...):
```

```
        ...
```

```
import chiltepin.configure
```

```
import chiltepin.endpoint as endpoint
```

```
def main(...):
```

```
    endpoint.login()
```

```
    resources = chiltepin.configure.load("config.yaml")
```

```
    with chiltepin.init(resources):
```

```
        mpas = MPAS()
```

```
        init = mpas.mpas_init(..., executor="aurora")
```

```
        fcst = mpas.mpas_forecast(..., init, executor="derecho")
```



Future / Dependency



Chiltepin Configuration

resources:

hercules:

environment:

- "module load .."
- "export MY_VARIABLE=my_value"

endpoint id: "1234abcd-5678-90123-ab45-abcdef67891234"

provider: "slurm"

mpi_launcher: "srun"

cores per node: 80

nodes per block: 3

partition: "hercules"

account: "foobar"

```
endpoint.login()
resources = chiltepin.configure.load("config.yaml")
with chiltepin.init(resources):
    mpas = MPAS()
    init = mpas.mpas_init(..., executor="hercules")
    fcst = mpas.mpas_forecast(..., init, executor="derecho")
```

Challenges & Future Work

- Workflows as Python programs is a new paradigm (for us)
- Need to develop good monitoring tools
- Need to take better advantage of built-in failure recovery
- Develop interoperability with legacy Rocoto workflows
- Continue development to build a sustainable workflow future!
- Publication in preparation

Questions / Discussion
