

# Ghub Pegasus WMS Workflow with Python Example

- Ghub scientific gateway is built on the HUBzero platform for scientific collaboration.
- Ghub provides you and other members of the Ghub community a single community place, accessible from anywhere in the world via a web browser, and hosts analytical tools, data, and other shared resources.
- Who develops the analytical tools on Ghub? You and others member of the Ghub community.
- Here we outline the procedure for developing a Pegasus WMS computational workflow analytical tool on Ghub.

- Computational workflows are a formalization of the manual computational workflow job steps that a scientist performs to obtain scientific results.
- A Workflow Management System (WMS) comprises software that manages the distribution and execution of computational workflows.
- The Pegasus WMS was selected as the best general purpose WMS to provide the structured platform required for implementing computational workflows on the HUBzero platform [1, 2, 3].

# Example Pegasus WMS Architecture

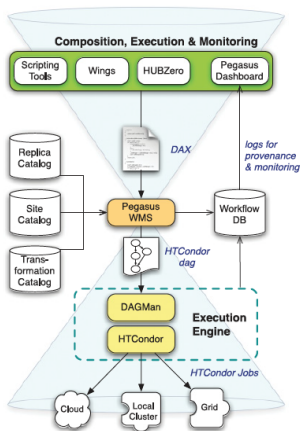


Figure 1: Pegasus WMS Architecture Example[4]

- HTCondor is a workload scheduling system for computational jobs.
- HTCondor provides a job queuing mechanism, scheduling policy, priority scheme, resource monitoring, and resource management.
- DAGMan is a HTCondor tool that allows multiple jobs to be organized as a workflow, represented as a directed acyclic graph (DAG) in which the nodes represent computational tasks and edges represent the dependencies of those tasks [5].
- DAGMan automatically submits workflow jobs such that certain jobs need to be complete before other jobs start running.
- DAGMan provides the workflow engine for Pegasus.

## Pegasus WMS Information Catalogs

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- Pegasus requires three information catalogs to plan a workflow. These are the Site Catalog, the Transformation Catalog and the Replica Catalog.
- The Site Catalog describes the site where the workflow jobs are to be executed. For Ghub, workflow jobs are executed on CCR's UB-HPC cluster general-compute nodes by interfacing with CCR's SLURM (Simple Linux Utility for Resource Management) Workload Manager.
- The Transformation Catalog describes the launch scripts invoked by the workflow jobs. The launch scripts loads and then runs executable modules available on CCR. Execution of workflow jobs on UB-HPC requires access to executable modules available on CCR.
- The Replica Catalog tells Pegasus where to find the input files required by the workflow jobs.

## Ghub Pegasus WMS Interface

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- Pegasus comprises a set of system components which can be invoked via command line tools or an API interface.
- On Ghub, a Jupyter Notebook provides the interface which allows the user to interface with Pegasus, via Pegasus Python API commands, to create a YAML formatted file defining the workflow jobs, the input and output for the jobs, and the job dependencies.
- The Ghub submit command line tool allows Pegasus jobs to be executed remotely.
- The Ghub submit command line tool is used to plan and launch Pegasus workflow jobs via the Pegasus kickstart process.

- Pegasus processes the YAML file, resolving data and software locations and all required data movements, and creates the required information catalogs and compiles a DAG file. DAGMan, as directed by the DAG file, orders the jobs according to their dependencies, and submits the jobs ready for execution to HTCondor.
- SLURM provides the framework for queuing jobs, allocating compute nodes, and starting the execution of jobs. When a SLURM job execution completes, the final status of the finished job is returned to Pegasus.



# Pegasus WMS Workflow Process Steps I

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- Step 1: Get user's workflow parameters.
- Step 2: Create a workflow using Pegasus API commands.
- Step 3: For each executable required by the workflow:
  - Create a launch script for the executable.
  - Add the launch script to the Transformation Catalog.
- Step 4: For each parallel run of the launch script(s):
  - Create a job for the launch script.
  - Add arguments for the job based on user's parameters.
  - Add inputs and outputs for the job.
  - Add dependencies for the job.
  - Add the job to the workflow.
  - Add the inputs for the job to the Replica Catalog.

## Pegasus WMS Workflow Process Steps II

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- Step 5: Create the YAML file for the workflow.
- Step 6: Plan and submit the YAML file.
- Step 7: Wait for the workflow to complete.
- Step 8: View and analyze the workflow's output.

## Python Example

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- The procedure to implement a simple diamond Pegasus workflow is demonstrated with the [Ghub\\_Pegasus\\_WMS\\_Python\\_Example](#) project.
- This project's workflow executes Python scripts on CCR to analyze time series data from experiments files contained within predetermined UB CCR's mapped collection's modeling groups.
- Clone the [Ghub\\_Pegasus\\_WMS\\_Python\\_Example](#) on Ghub and follow the steps outlined by the README.md file.

# Diamond Pipeline Workflow Architecture

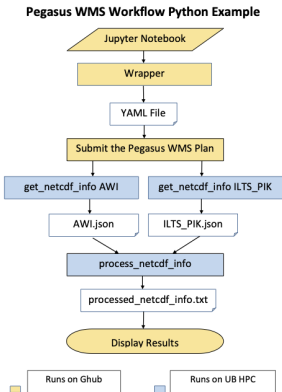


Figure 2: User Interface

## Workflow's Output

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Pegasus workflow in progress. This should take approximately 30 minutes...
self.parent:
self.tooldir: /home/thehub/renettej/AAA_notebooks/ghubex1
self.bindir: /home/thehub/renettej/AAA_notebooks/ghubex1/bin
self.datadir: /home/thehub/renettej/AAA_notebooks/ghubex1/data
self.workingdir: /home/thehub/renettej/AAA_notebooks/ghubex1
self.rundir:
self.ice_sheet_folder: /projects/grid/ghub/ISMIP6/Projections/Reprocessed/CMIP6_Archive_Final/AIS
self.ice_sheet: AIS
self.ice_sheet_description: Antarctica
self.modeling_groups: AWI,ILTS_PIK
self.maxwalltime: 30
Wrapper_5_0_1...
tooldir: /home/thehub/renettej/AAA_notebooks/ghubex1
python_launch_exec_path: /home/thehub/renettej/AAA_notebooks/ghubex1/remotebin/pythonLaunch.sh
modeling_groups_list: ['AWI', 'ILTS_PIK']
Run 38990 registered 1 job instance. Fri Dec 1 14:09:57 2023
Run 38990 instance 1 released for submission. Fri Dec 1 14:10:27 2023
(413979.0) DAG Submitted at WF-ccr-ghub Fri Dec 1 14:10:31 2023
(413979.0) DAG Running at WF-ccr-ghub Fri Dec 1 14:11:46 2023
(413979.0) DAG Running at WF-ccr-ghub Fri Dec 1 14:17:21 2023
(413979.0) DAG Running at WF-ccr-ghub Fri Dec 1 14:23:22 2023
(413979.0) DAG Running at WF-ccr-ghub Fri Dec 1 14:30:02 2023
(413979.0) DAG Running at WF-ccr-ghub Fri Dec 1 14:35:22 2023
(413979.0) DAG Done at WF-ccr-ghub Fri Dec 1 14:43:22 2023

Workflow elapsed time: 33.5135882695516 minutes

Workflow completed successfully
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Figure 3: Workflow Output

# Workflow's UB CCR Scratch Directory

Remote site: /panfs/panfs.cbils.ccr.buffalo.edu/scratch/grp-ghub/ghubjobs/1701497397\_00038990\_01/scratch

scratch  
1701497397\_00038990\_01  
scratch

Filename	Filesize	Filetype	Last modified
..			
__time_results.00038990_01	59	00038990..	12/01/2023 17:38:11
__timestamp_finish.00038990_01	11	00038990..	12/01/2023 17:38:11
__timestamp_start.00038990_01	11	00038990..	12/01/2023 17:37:46
__timestamp_transferred.00038990_01	11	00038990..	12/01/2023 17:37:44
00038990_01_413983.slurm	1,876	slurm-file	12/01/2023 17:11:30
00038990_01_413984.slurm	2,047	slurm-file	12/01/2023 17:30:36
00038990_01_413985.slurm	2,072	slurm-file	12/01/2023 17:30:41
00038990_01_413987.slurm	2,030	slurm-file	12/01/2023 17:37:21
AIS_AWI_netcdf_info.json	63,952	json-file	12/01/2023 17:36:01
AIS_AWI_netcdf_info.txt	92,740	txt-file	12/01/2023 17:36:00
AIS_ILTS_PIK_netcdf_info.json	39,022	json-file	12/01/2023 17:34:24
AIS_ILTS_PIK_netcdf_info.txt	54,843	txt-file	12/01/2023 17:34:23
AIS_processed_netcdf_info.txt	24,947	txt-file	12/01/2023 17:38:10
chmod	58,584	File	11/16/2020 17:24:58
chmod_pythonlaunch_ID0000001_0.stderr	0	stderr-file	12/01/2023 17:11:56
chmod_pythonlaunch_ID0000001_0.stdout	3,773	stdout-file	12/01/2023 17:11:56
get_netcdf_info.py	12,331	py-file	12/01/2023 17:11:16
process_netcdf_info.py	7,124	py-file	12/01/2023 17:11:21
pythonlaunch	894	File	12/01/2023 17:11:16
pythonlaunch_ID0000001.stderr	0	stderr-file	12/01/2023 17:31:24
pythonlaunch_ID0000001.stdout	8,329	stdout-file	12/01/2023 17:36:02
pythonlaunch_ID0000002.stderr	0	stderr-file	12/01/2023 17:31:25
pythonlaunch_ID0000002.stdout	7,629	stdout-file	12/01/2023 17:34:25
pythonlaunch_ID0000003.stderr	0	stderr-file	12/01/2023 17:37:46
pythonlaunch_ID0000003.stdout	5,525	stdout-file	12/01/2023 17:38:11

Figure 4: UB CCR Scratch Directory



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