

# AuroraGPT: A Foundation Model for Science

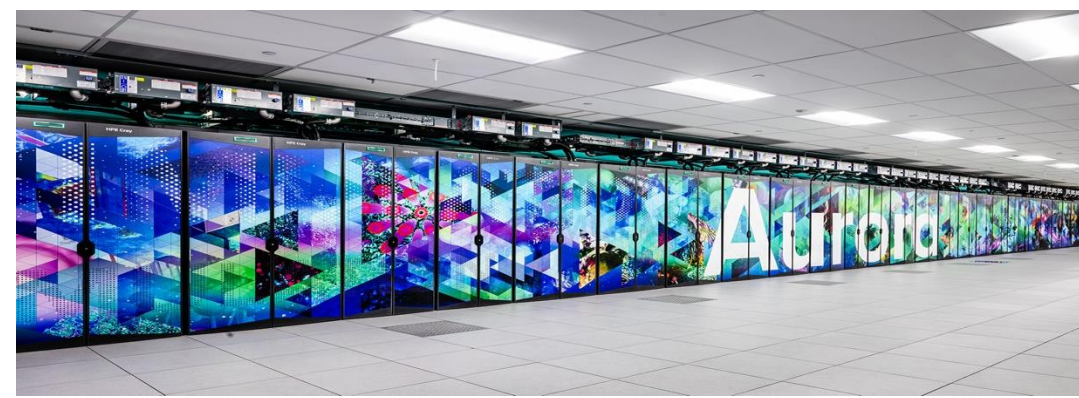
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# Introduction



- AuroraGPT is an internal LDRD-funded project at Argonne
  - (Named after the exascale system at Argonne that is being used for much of the research)
- Leverage DOE supercomputing resources to develop and enhance understanding of powerful foundation models (FMs) for science
- Create and evaluate a series of increasingly powerful FMs, each with more parameters and/or trained on more data than those preceding it
- Goal is to build a large multimodal model capable of scientific reasoning that is causally aware and can generate novel insights

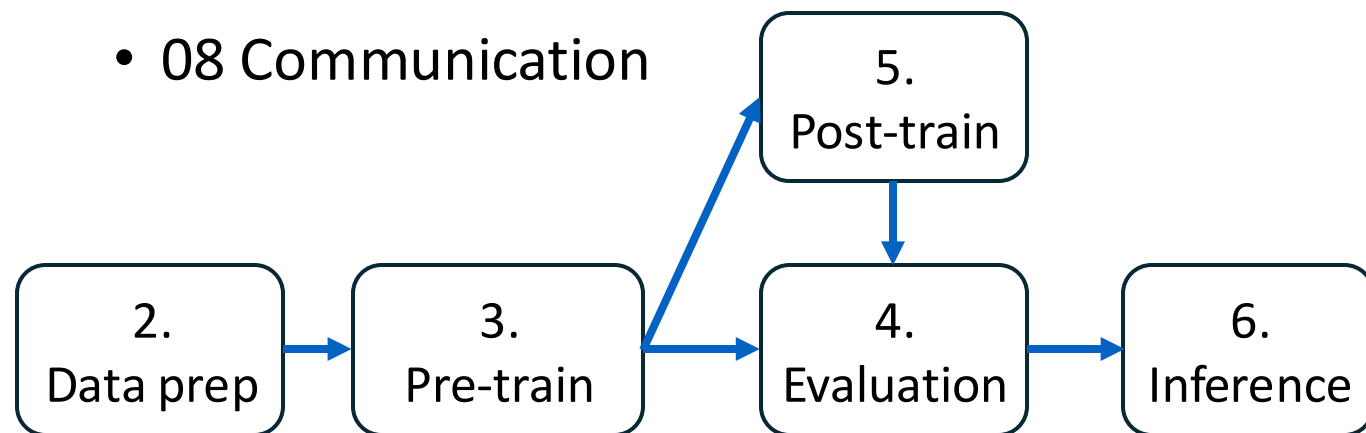
# AuroraGPT

Explore pathways towards a “Scientific Assistant” powered by Aurora supercomputer:

- Assemble high-quality **scientific datasets** for scientific FM training
- Adapt **FM development methods** to meet specialized needs of scientific FMs
- Assemble high-quality **benchmarks** to provide objective yardsticks for progress
- **Apply and evaluate methods** in areas important for DOE science

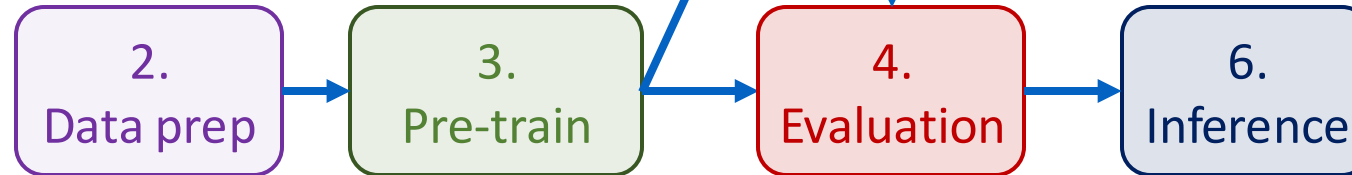
AuroraGPT project groups:

- 01 Planning
- 02 Data
- 03 Model training (pre-training)
- 04 Evaluation (skills, trustworthiness, safety)
- 05 Post-training (fine tuning, alignment)
- 06 Inference
- 07 Distribution
- 08 Communication



# AuroraGPT activities

- Large datasets of scientific text
- High-performance document parsing and de-deduplication pipelines
- Synthetic data generation methods



Post-training models adapted to meet specialized needs of science FMs

Scalable inference methods for use on ALCF and other supercomputers

- Scalable pre-training pipelines for Polaris and Aurora
- Models trained with standard and enhanced datasets

- Acquire and deploy wide variety of evaluation suites
- New evaluation methods specialized for science FMs

# Intended outcomes

- **Datasets and data pipelines** for preparing Science training data
- **Software infrastructure and workflows** to train, evaluate, and deploy LLMs at scale for scientific research purposes
- **Evaluation of state-of-the-art LLM models** to determine where they fall short in deep scientific tasks and where deep data may have an impact
- **Assessment of the value** of augmenting web training data with two forms of science-specific data
  - Full-text scientific papers
  - Structured scientific datasets (suitably mapped to narrative form)
- **Research grade artifacts (models)** for scientific community and adaptation for downstream uses
- **Promotion of responsible AI** best practices, where we can figure them out
- **International collaborations** around the long-term goal of AI for science

# AuroraGPT Leaders

## PLANNING



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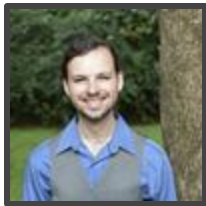


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## DATA



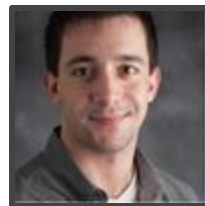
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## MODELS

## EVALUATION AND SAFETY



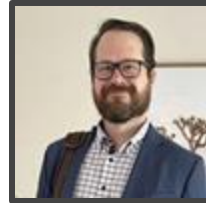
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## POST-PRE TRAINING

## INFERENCE



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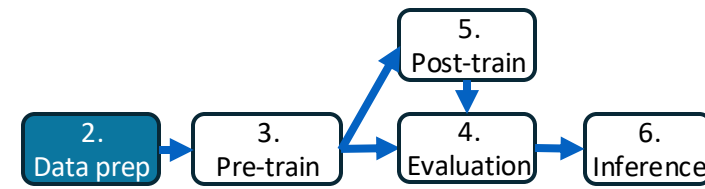
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## COMMUNICATIONS

# 02 Data



Goal: Assemble a large corpus of documents (general and scientific) and scientific data for AuroraGPT model training, fine-tuning, reasoning

## Data Collection

- Generic data (Dolma, 2T tokens)
- Scientific papers (~100 Millions), Respect copyright (e.g. ACM Digital Library)
- Scientific data (x Exabytes)

## Scientific Data Adaptation

- **Conversion** PDF into text (math formula, figures) + Convert science information (data) to text (narrative)
- **De-duplication** (syntactic and semantic) of x100B of scientific documents (to avoid memorization, bias)

## Data Quality

- Peer-reviewed papers as much as possible, but also preprints: arXiv, bioRxiv, ChemRxiv, etc.
- Scientific data from trusted sources (e.g. DOE facilities)

## Data Domains

- All scientific domains, starting with Material, Physics, Biology, Computer Science, Chemistry, etc.



# 02 Data: Collection (partial)

Generic Data

Dataset	Format	Size
RP1	JSONL (general web text)	~3TB
RP2	JSONL (general web text)	~5TB
DOECode	Code (DOE only)	9GB
PILE	JSONL (2/3 general)	825GB
StackCode	Parquet (code)	783GB
Dolma	JSONL	5TB

Scientific Data

Dataset	Format	Size
PubChem Compound	json	
PubChem Compound (no description)	json	
PubChem Gene	json	
PubChem Pathway	json	
UniProt TrEMBL	json	
UniProt uniref100	json	

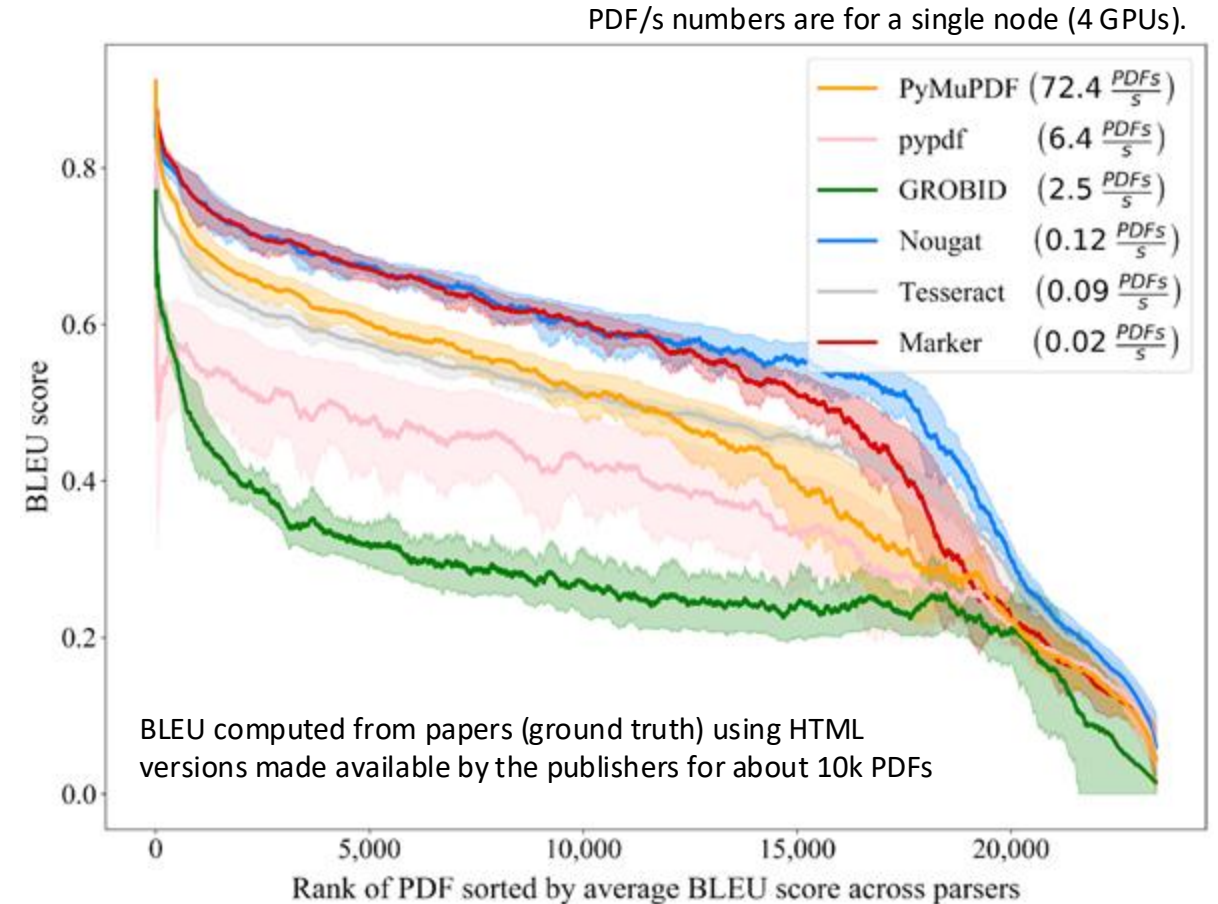
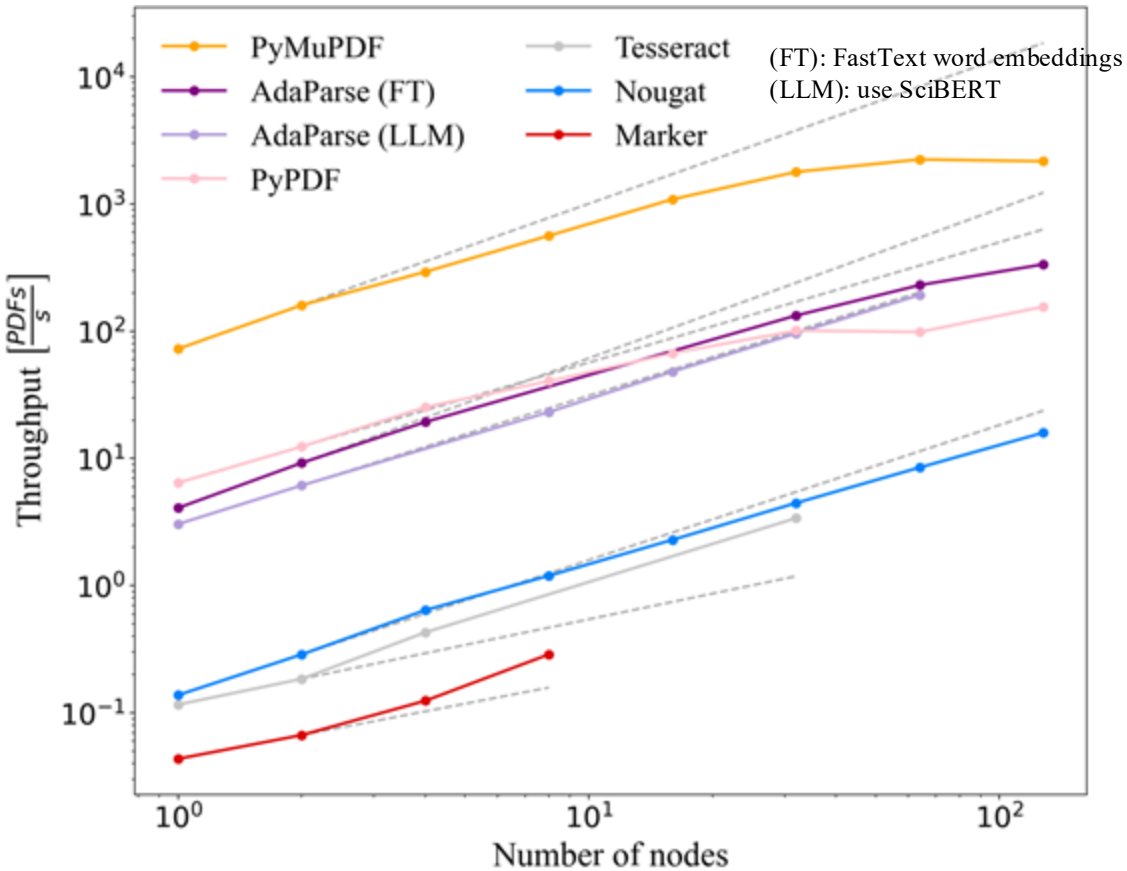
Scientific Papers

Dataset	Format	Size
CORE	Full text collection of scientific papers	>2TB
peS2o	Jsonl (40M open access academic papers)	259GB
PMC-OA	markdown+pdf	202GB
Arxiv	pdf+figures	2.2TB
Biorxiv	xml+pdf+figures	9.7TB
Medrxiv	xml+pdf+figures	542GB
chemrxiv	pdf	
ACM	XML	16GB
NIH_LITARCH	xml+pdf+figures	153GB

- Many documents → Scaling parsing is needed
- Significant overlap → De-duplication is important



# 02 Data: AdaParse: An Addaptive parallel PDF parsing and resource scaling engine



- PDFs vary greatly in their complexity; parsers vary greatly in cost and per-doc accuracy
- Hence: Estimate per-doc complexity, choose parser(s) to meet accuracy-cost target

→ **AdaParse: An Adaptive Parallel PDF Parsing and Resource Scaling Engine**, Carlo Siebenschuh, Kyle Hippe, Ozan Gokdemir, Alexander Brace, Arham Mushtaq Khan, Khalid Hossain, Yadu Babuji, Nicholas Chia, Venkatram Vishwanath, Arvind Ramanathan, Rick L. Stevens, Ian Foster, Robert Underwood, MLSYS 2025.

# 02 Data: LSHBloom: Memory-efficient, extreme-scale document deduplication

- We may have 100Ms or Billions of documents from many sources
  - High degrees of “duplication” (not necessarily bit-for-bit) across sources
  - De-duplication important for model quality, training costs
  - SOTA MinHashLSH does not scale to 100Ms of docs
- LSHBloom replaces expensive LSHIndex with lightweight Bloom filters

<https://arxiv.org/abs/2411.04257>

Table 6: Deduplicated datasets of scientific documents. % new is the number not found in peS2o according to our deduplication strategy.

Name	# docs	% new	Description
Dolma 1.7	5.2 billion	–	Allen Institute for AI (AI2) general document collection
↪ peS2o	38,972,212	base	AI2 science articles (8M) and abstracts (30M) (in Dolma)
↪ ArXiv	1,554,434	55.11	ArXiV Scientific Preprint Server (in Dolma)
ASM	440,221	59.07	American Society for Microbiology
ACM	326,889	55.41	Association for Computing Machinery until 2017
BioRxiv	371,144	67.49	BioRxiv Scientific Preprint Server
OSTI	136,637	65.78	DoE Office of Scientific and Technical Information PDFs
MedRxiv	68,949	58.83	MedRxiv Scientific Preprint Server
NIH LIT ARCH	38,810	73.29	National Institutes of Health Archives
PMC-OA	60,311	52.63	PubMed Central Open Access Papers
IPCC	13	100.00	Intergovernmental Panel On Climate Change Reports

270% faster than  
MinhashLSH,  
while maintaining  
F1 score  
Far faster than

## 02 Data: Scientific Data Transformation Raw to Narrative

LLMs need text as inputs (until we figure-out direct tokenization of scientific data):

- Transformation of scientific raw data into “narratives” → **textual expression of the raw data**

The genome with identifier `{{genome_id}}` has `{{genome_length}}` base pairs and name `{{genome_name}}`.

`{{if:reference_genome}}` `{{nl}}` Genome `{{genome_id}}` is considered a `{{reference_genome}}` genome by NCBI.`{{fi}}`

`{{nl}}` Genome `{{genome_id}}` has `{{contigs}}` contigs, `{{patric_cds}}` known protein-coding regions, and is considered `{{genome_quality}}` quality.

`{{if:host_name}}`

`{{nl}}``{{genome_name}}` is normally found in `{{list:host_name:and:, }}`

`{{if:disease}}`, where it causes `{{list:disease}}``{{fi}}`.

`{{else}}`

`{{if:disease}}` `{{nl}}``{{genome_name}}` causes `{{list:disease}}``{{fi}}`

`{{fi}}`

The genome with identifier **1121370.3** has **2300451** base pairs and name **Corynebacterium ulceribovis DSM 45146**.

Genome **1121370.3** is considered a **Representative** genome by NCBI.

Genome **1121370.3** has **8** contigs and **2108** known protein-coding regions, and is considered **Good** quality.

**Corynebacterium ulceribovis DSM 45146** is normally found in **Bos taurus**, where it causes **ulceration**.

Simple templating or dumps of data from the database → very high levels of duplication leading to memorization

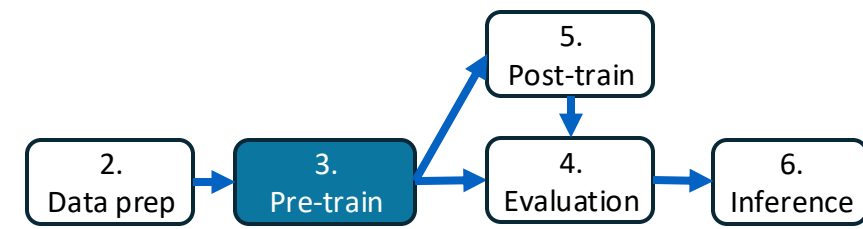
- Need to give LLM clear guidance:** e.g. Prioritize ensuring the factual integrity of summary by drawing heavily upon the record for information.
- Need to take into account perspectives:** for what purpose the dataset has been generated (e.g. virologist vs a geneticist)
- Ask LLMs to consider all fields** (if not LLMs tends to ignore fields)

Figure 5: Examples of our template-based approach to generating narratives from scientific databases. On the left, a template designed for application to genomic data, with red denoting control statements and blue denoting variables to be filled in. On the right, a narrative produced via this template from data contained in BV-BRC, with instantiated values in blue.

# 03 Model training (pre-training)

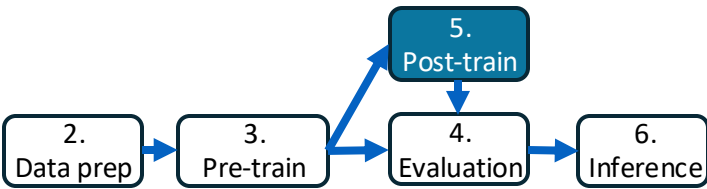
Goal: Solid Pre-training infrastructure, exploiting Aurora capabilities to maximize performance

- On Polaris (Nvidia) and Aurora (Intel)
- Megatron + DeepSpeed on Polaris. Adapted for Aurora (Intel GPUs)
  - **Challenge (parallel computing): identify right level of data/model/pipeline/tensor parallelism for Aurora**
- Gradually increase from 7B, 70B, etc.
- Capture checkpoints
  - **Challenge (parallel computing): low overhead parallel checkpointing**
- Capture loss curves and scaling data
- Detect/Handle spikes in loss, and monitor perplexity when training large models
  - **Challenge:** automatically detect spikes and identify checkpoint to restart from to avoid





# 05 Post-Training



Goal: Post-pre-training workflow optimized for science tasks

- Implement **post training workflow** for snapshots from AuroraGPT pre-training runs
- Include Chat fine-tuning and alignment focusing on Math and Coding
  - Chat **Supervised Fine Tuning** (SFT) and Instruct SFT
  - Alignment (truthfulness, safety): Based on RLHF (**Reinforcement Learning From Human Feedback**): DPO (**Direct Preference Optimization**), KTO (**Binary signal: is the model output desirable or undesirable**)
- **Challenge: need to collect more scientific conversations (1000 Scientists Jam will help)**

Evaluation/comparison of Llama 7B fine-tuned (used a collection of Instruction-tuning datasets UltraFeedback, hh-rlhf ): Verbal ability, **reasoning, truthfulness, math, and code generation**

Models	Natural Language and Reasoning			Truthfulness	Math	Code Generation
	arc_challenge	mmlu	hellaswag	truthfulqa	gsm8k	HumanEval
	25 shot	5 shot	10 shot	0 shot	5 shot	pass@1
Llama-2-7b-hf	53.66	45.66	78.56	38.98	15.16	14.02
Llama-2-7b-chat	54.18	47.20	78.69	45.25	21.45	14.02
OLMo-7b	45.98	28.98	77.12	35.88	4.09	13.41
Ours	67.21	53.02	79.87	49.70	31.46	31.70

UltraInteract: large-scale, high-quality alignment dataset designed for complex reasoning tasks.

## 03 Pre-training to 04 Post Pre-training (fine-tuning)

Models 7  ↑↓ Sort: Recently updated

 argonne-private/AuroraGPT-DPO-UFB-0... private  
Updated Mar 28

 argonne-private/AuroraGPT-7B-Inf-F16... private  
Updated Feb 7

 argonne-private/AuroraGPT-7B Text Generation • Updated Feb 5 • ⬇ 2.46k

 argonne-private/AuroraGPT-7B-0I private  
Updated Jan 31

 argonne-private/AuroraGPT-DPO-UFB-0... private  
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 argonne-private/AuroraGPT-IT-v4-0125 private  
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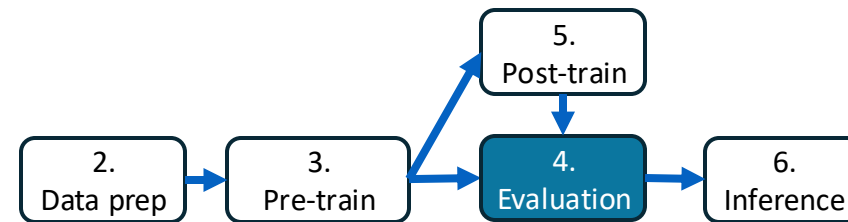
 argonne-private/AuroraGPT-Tulu3-SFT... private  
Text Generation • Updated Feb 3

**Fine tuned to produce**



# 04 Evaluation

Goal: Comprehensive evaluation infrastructure for LLMs as scientific assistants



Primary purposes:

- Evaluate LLMs capabilities in research context: knowledge extension, reasoning capabilities, safety for users and community
- Compare with AuroraGPT trained with 100M+ scientific papers + data

**Establish a methodology:**

- **Standard frameworks and benchmarks:** EleutherAI Harness, HELM, SkillMix, FLASK (alignment)
- **Safety benchmarks** (Trustworthiness, Safety): DecodingTrust, TrustLLM, WMDP
- Existing domain-specific benchmarks in Chemistry, Physics, Climate, Biology, etc.
- **Create scientific benchmarks** (uncovered domains, new benchmarking approaches, etc.)
- **Create new evaluation techniques if needed.**



# EAIRA: Multi-faceted eval methodology

End-to-End

Proposed Methodology				
Techniques	MCQ Benchmarks	Open Response Benchmarks	Lab Style Experiments	In the Wild Field Style Experiments
Main Goal	Testing knowledge <b>breadth, basic reasoning</b>	Testing knowledge <b>depth, planning, reasoning</b>	Realistic testing	Realistic trend analysis and weakness diagnosis
Problem Type	<b>Predetermined</b> , Fixed Q&As with known solutions	<b>Predetermined</b> , Fixed Free-Response Problems with known solutions	Individual Human Defined Problems with <b>unknown</b> solutions	Many Human Defined Problems with <b>(un)known</b> solutions
Verification	<b>Automatic</b> response verification	<b>Automatic or Human</b> response verification	Humans detailed response analysis	Scalable <b>automatic</b> summary of human response
Examples	<b>Astro, Climate, AI4S</b> (multi-domain), Existing Benchmarks	<b>SciCode, ALDbench</b>	see "lab style experiments"	see "field style experiments"
Cross Cutting Aspects	← Trust and Safety (ChemRisk), Uncertainty Quantification, Scalable Software Infrastructure (STAR) →			

4 complementary evaluation techniques to comprehensively assess the capabilities of LLMs as scientific assistants.

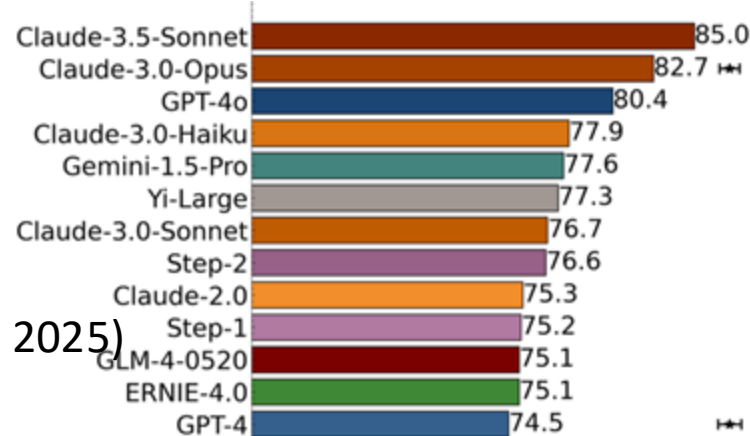
EAIRA: A Methodology for Evaluating AI Models as Scientific Research Assistants, <https://arxiv.org/pdf/2502.20309>.

# MCQ Benchmark: ASTRO

- **4425 Automatically generated MCQs**
- From 885 articles in [Annual Review of Astronomy and Astrophysics](#), 1963 to 2023.
- Instructed Gemini-1.5-Pro to propose 5 questions that can be answered based on the paper's content.
- Each question was accompanied by four options (A, B, C, D) only one of which is correct.
- Robustness considerations added to the prompt generating the questions.
- **200 MCQs were manually validated**

Some take aways:

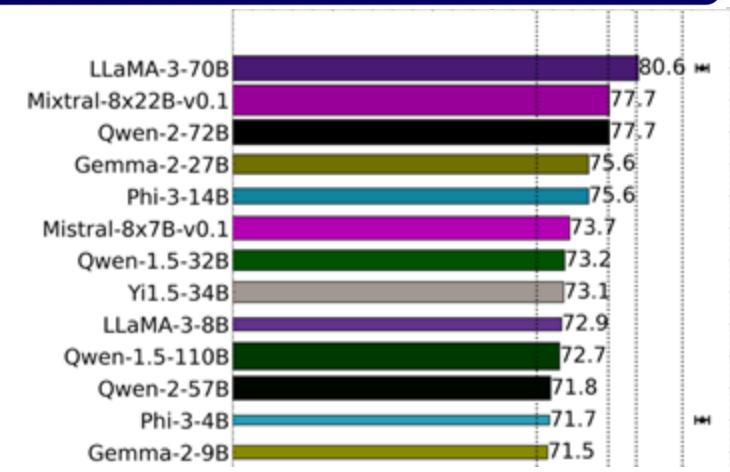
- Claude 3.5 Sonnet best (no O1 test)
- Llama-3-70B on par with GPT4o
- Published in July 2024 on arXiv (journal: 2025)
- **Benchmark almost/probably saturated**



Sample question from Astronomy benchmark dataset

**How does the presence of stellar companions influence the formation and detection of exoplanets?**

- (A) Stellar companions can dilute transit signals, potentially leading to misclassification of planets and inaccurate parameter estimations. Additionally, their gravitational influence can suppress planet formation in close binary systems.
- (B) Stellar companions provide additional sources of gravitational perturbations, enhancing planet formation by promoting planetesimal accretion and facilitating the formation of gas giants.
- (C) Stellar companions contribute to the metallicity enrichment of planetary systems, leading to the formation of more massive and diverse planets, including super-Earths and hot Jupiters.
- (D) Stellar companions act as gravitational lenses, increasing the detectability of exoplanets through microlensing events and enabling the discovery of planets at greater distances from their host stars.



Y.-S. Ting, et al., AstroMLab 1: Who wins astronomy jeopardy!?

Astronomy and Computing, Volume 51, 2025,

# Open Response Benchmark: SciCode (integrated into the methodology)

*Scientist-curated code generation benchmark* (mathematics, physics, chemistry, biology, materials science)

80 main problems (numerical methods, simulation of systems),

decomposed into 338 subproblems.

The problems naturally factorize into multiple subproblems, each involving knowledge recall, reasoning, code synthesis.

To solve a main problem, LLMs must implement multiple Python functions for each subproblem and integrate them into a comprehensive solution.

SciCode provides gold-standard solutions and multiple test cases for reliable automatic evaluation.

Problems are very challenging: inspired from Nobel prize level problems.

**Main Problem**

**Question:** Generate an array of Chern numbers for the Haldane model on a hexagonal lattice by sweeping the following parameters: [MORE QUESTION TEXT]

**Docstrings**

```
def compute_chern_number_grid(delta, a, t1, t2, N):  
    """  
    Args:  
    delta (float): The grid size in kx and ky axis.  
    [MORE ARGUMENTS]  
  
    Returns:  
    results (ndarray): 2D array of shape(N, N), the Chern numbers.  
    [MORE RETURN VALUES]  
    """
```

**Dependencies**

```
import numpy as np  
import cmath  
from math import pi, sin, cos, sqrt
```

**Subproblem 1**

**Background:** Source: [CITATION]  
{ $\mathbf{a}_i$ } are the vectors from a B site to its three nearest-neighbor A sites, then we have [MORE BACKGROUND TEXT]

**Question:** Write a Haldane model Hamiltonian on a hexagonal lattice.

**Docstrings**

```
def calc_hamiltonian(kx, ky, a, t1, t2, phi, m):  
    """  
    Function to generate the Haldane Hamiltonian.  
  
    Args:  
    kx (float): The x component of the wavevector.  
    [MORE ARGUMENTS]  
  
    Returns:  
    hamiltonian (ndarray): matrix of shape(2, 2).  
    """
```

**Subproblem 2**

**Background:** Source: [CITATION]  
Here we can discretize the two-dimensional Brillouin zone into grids with step [MORE BACKGROUND TEXT]

**Question:** Calculate the Chern number using the Haldane Hamiltonian.

**Docstrings**

```
def compute_chern_number(delta, a, t1, t2, phi, m):  
    """  
    Function to compute the Chern number.  
  
    Args:  
    delta (float): The grid size in kx and ky axis.  
    [MORE ARGUMENTS]  
  
    Returns:  
    chern_number (float): The Chern number.  
    """
```

**Subproblem 3**

**Question:** Here we can discretize the two-dimensional Brillouin zone into grids with step [MORE QUESTION TEXT]

**Docstrings**

```
def compute_chern_number_grid(delta, a, t1, t2, N):  
    """  
    Function to calculate the Chern numbers.  
  
    Args:  
    delta (float): The grid size in kx and ky axis for discretizing the Brillouin zone.  
    [MORE ARGUMENTS]  
  
    Returns:  
    results (ndarray): 2D array of shape(N, N), The Chern numbers.  
    [MORE RETURN VALUES]  
    """
```

Minyang Tian, SciCode: A Research Coding Benchmark Curated by Scientists, arXiv:  
[arXiv:2407.13168](https://arxiv.org/abs/2407.13168)



# End-to-End Eval: ~~1000~~ 1,500 Scientists AI JAM in 9 Labs Simultaneously (Feb.28, 2025)



*Researcher participation and contributions on a voluntary basis.*



# 1,000 Scientists Jam Session: In numbers



Total:  
**2800+ problems**  
**15000+ assessed prompt responses**

Argonne:  
**720 problems**  
**2500 prompts**

*Researcher participation and contributions on a voluntary basis.*



# 1,000 Scientists AI JAM Session: Goal and Rules of engagement



*Researcher participation and contribution on a voluntary basis.*

## Goals:

- Give Lab researchers an opportunity to test the best available LLMs
- Build a large corpus of interactions between researchers and AI models
  - Will help Labs understand how researchers will use reasoning models LLMs for Science →

### **How AI models may accelerate discoveries**

- Will help AI labs (OpenAI, Anthropic) to improve their model → to improve our research

## Rules:

- Explore advanced AI models on **challenging scientific problems**,
- Better understand the potential impact of AI reasoning models on **national security and science**,
- **In-person event** hosted at Argonne, Berkeley, Brookhaven, Idaho, Livermore, Los Alamos, Oak Ridge, Pacific Northwest, and Princeton Plasma Physics national laboratories. Scientists from other DOE labs are also participating,
- Explore models from OpenAI (**o1-pro, o1-deepresearch, o3-mini-high**) and Anthropic (**Claude 3.7 extended**),
- **OpenAI people in the rooms.**

# 1,000 S AI JAM: Domains (Partial)

*Researcher participation and contributions on a voluntary basis.*



Literature/Data

- Literature search, analysis, survey
- Data analysis and forecast, interpolation, extrapolation, **classification** (Point Cloud, signal, protein sequences, files, etc.)
- Anomaly detection
- Signal Analysis
- Scientific Visualization

**Coding**

- Algorithm design/optimization
- Automatic **code generation**/refactoring
- Code **translation**
- **Debugging codes** (sequential, parallel)
- Automatic code performance tuning/optimization
- **Identifying performance bottlenecks**

Experiments

- Automatic tuning of instruments
- **Experimental Design** (including autonomous workflow)
- Dark mater experiment design

Bio

- **Understanding mechanisms of Cancer**
- Understanding radiation effects on human cells
- Predictive Genomic Models

AI

- **Domain specific LLMs/Agents** (use LLMs as foundation models)
- Hyper parameter exploration for DL training.

Physics

- Battery design
- Chemical Mechanisms
- **Physics beyond standard model**

Infra.

- **Infrastructure modeling** and resilience
- Natural Disaster assessment

**Math**

- Surrogate model
- **Mathematical derivations**
- PDE solving
- **Convergence proving**
- Equation validity testing
- Derivative analysis
- Uncertainty estimation
- **Inverse problems**
- Statistical modeling



# 1,000 Scientists AI JAM: Not just for fun

<https://arxiv.org/pdf/2503.23758>



**Statistical mechanics** model of interactions between the  $q$ -state spins on a lattice (discrete degrees of freedom arranged in a regular spatial structure) leading to a situation where not all interactions can be simultaneously satisfied, resulting in a "frustrated" system with potentially complex behavior. (application in crystallography, percolation, and biological systems)

“derivation of an elegant equation ... by OpenAI’s latest reasoning model o3-mini-high (never been solved before) at the first-ever 1000-Scientist AI Jam Session. Hence, the author was inspired to prompt this AI reasoning model progressively ... despite quite a few errors in AI’s responses.”



Researcher – Reasoning LLM collaboration

Brookhaven National Laboratory

arXiv:2503.23758v2 [cond-mat.stat-mech] 6 Apr 2025

## Exact Solution of the Frustrated Potts Model with Next-Nearest-Neighbor Interactions in One Dimension: An AI-Aided Discovery

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Brookhaven National Laboratory, Upton, New York 11973, USA  
(Dated: April 8, 2025)

The one-dimensional  $J_1$ - $J_2$   $q$ -state Potts model is solved exactly for arbitrary  $q$  by introducing the maximally symmetric subspace (MSS) method to analytically block diagonalize the  $q^2 \times q^2$  transfer matrix to a simple  $2 \times 2$  matrix, based on using OpenAI’s latest reasoning model o3-mini-high to exactly solve the  $q = 3$  case. It is found that the model can be mapped to the 1D  $q$ -state Potts model with  $J_2$  acting as the nearest-neighbor interaction and  $J_1$  as an effective magnetic field, extending the previous proof for  $q = 2$ , i.e., the Ising model. The exact results provide insights to outstanding physical problems such as the stacking of atomic or electronic orders in layered materials and the formation of a  $T_c$ -dome-shaped phase often seen in unconventional superconductors. This work is anticipated to fuel both the research in one-dimensional frustrated magnets for recently discovered finite-temperature application potentials and the fast moving topic area of AI for sciences.

Finding novel phases and phase transitions is a central challenge in various research fields, including condensed matter physics, materials science, quantum information, and microelectronics [1]. Unusual phases abound in frustrated magnets [2], which are described typically by the Ising model [3] or the quantum Heisenberg model [4] with competing spin-spin interactions either in the form of an equilateral triangle or via competition between the nearest-neighbor (NN) interaction  $J_1$  and next-nearest-neighbor (NNN) interaction  $J_2$  [1].

The third basic model of statistical mechanics is the  $q$ -state Potts model [5–8], which is a generalization of the Ising model ( $q = 2$ ) and can serve as a useful intermediary to study the transition from discrete (Ising) to continuous (Heisenberg) symmetry. In particular, the one-dimensional (1D)  $J_1$ - $J_2$  Potts model could be relevant to problems ranging from the out-of-plane stacking of atomic or electronic orders in layered materials, such as charge stripe ordering in  $\text{La}_{1-x}\text{Sr}_x\text{NiO}_3$  [9], the Star-of-David charge-density wave in  $\text{1T-TaS}_2$  [10], and spin spiral ordering in the Weyl semimetal  $\text{EuAuSb}$  [11], to a time series with multiple choices at every time step such as table tennis training drill designs.

While the  $J_1$ - $J_2$  Ising model and Heisenberg model in one dimension [12–15] and two dimension [16–18] have been extensively studied, only the 1D  $J_1$ - $J_2$  Ising model has been solved exactly by using the transfer matrix method [19]. Exact analytic solutions of the 1D  $J_1$ - $J_2$  Potts model also remain unknown; since the model with  $q = 3$  already exhibits a distinct ground-state phase behavior from that with  $q = 2$ , i.e., the Ising model (Fig. 2) [11], it is of fundamental importance to exactly solve the model for arbitrary  $q$ . The challenge arises from rapid increase in the order of the transfer matrix, which equals  $q^2$ . No wonder a  $9 \times 9$  matrix for  $q = 3$  is already hard to solve analytically and diagonalization of a  $(10^{10})^2 \times (10^{10})^2$  matrix for  $q = 10^{10}$  is simply beyond reach even numerically. Previous studies remarkably reduced the task to numerical calculations for an effective  $q \times q$  matrix in the integer- $q$  formalism of the transfer matrix—and for an effective  $2 \times 2$  matrix in the continuous- $q$  formal-

ism of the transfer matrix where physics is less transparent—however, short of analytic exact results [20]. Hence, an intuitive understanding of the rich phase behaviors in the 1D  $J_1$ - $J_2$  Potts model is still lacking.

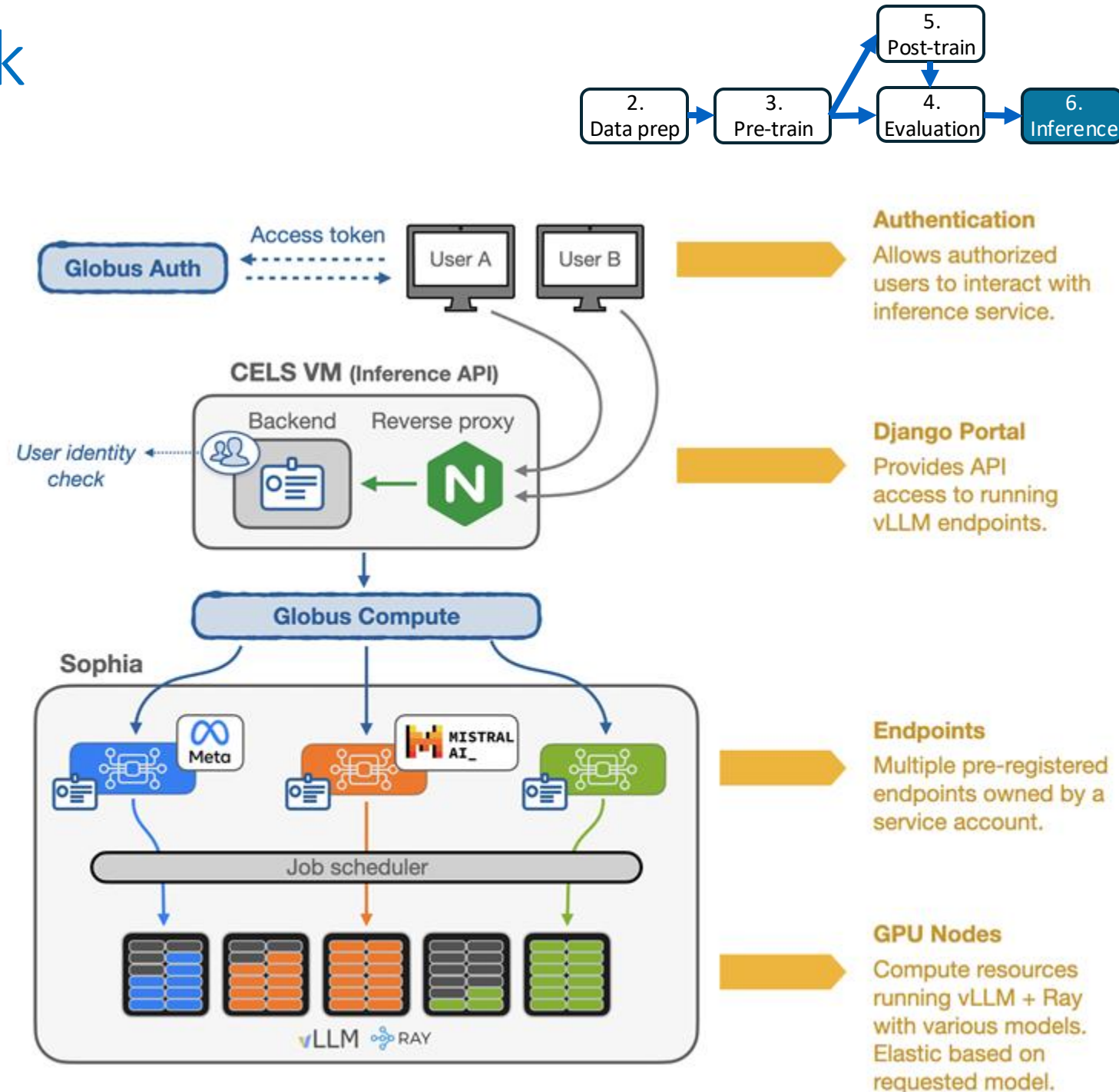
Two recent developments shed light on this long-standing problem. The first one is the analytic reduction of the  $4 \times 4$  transfer matrix for a decorated Ising ladder to an effective  $2 \times 2$  matrix using symmetry-based block diagonalization, leading to the discovery of spontaneous finite-temperature ultranarrow phase crossover (UNPC), which exponentially approaches the forbidden finite-temperature phase transition in 1D Ising models [21], and the subsequent discovery of in-field UNPC driven by exotic ice-fire states [22–24]. These findings point out the promising potentials of 1D frustrated magnets in finite-temperature applications; finding exact solutions for 1D frustrated Potts model could define a milestone in this important new direction. The second development is the derivation of an elegant equation—that determines the critical temperature of UNPC in site-decorated Ising models in an external magnetic field—by OpenAI’s latest reasoning model o3-mini-high at the first-ever 1000-Scientist AI Jam Session [24]. Hence, the author was inspired to prompt this AI reasoning model progressively to handle the transfer matrix in the integer- $q$  formalism for the  $q = 3$  case—despite quite a few errors in AI’s responses—and eventually have found a symmetry-based block diagonalization that can analytically reduce the  $9 \times 9$  transfer matrix of the 1D  $J_1$ - $J_2$  three-state Potts model to an effective  $2 \times 2$  matrix.

For general  $q$ , the key symmetry is the full permutation symmetry of the  $q$  Potts states. In other words, the Hamiltonian (and therefore the transfer matrix in the integer- $q$  formalism) is invariant under any permutation of the labels  $\{1, 2, 3, \dots, q\}$ ; its symmetry group is  $S_q$ . Although the AI failed to go further but warned that the number of permutations increases dramatically as  $q$  increases, the exact results for the  $q = 2$  and 3 cases—especially the point that both arrive at an effective  $2 \times 2$  matrix—stimulated the author to realize that since only the largest eigenvalue ( $\lambda$ ) of the transfer matrix matters in the thermodynamic limit, the task is reduced

# 06 Inference: Framework

Goal: A high performance, reliable inference service

- Inference framework **deployed on ALCF systems** (Sophia, Polaris, and Aurora)
- **Leverages Globus Auth** and Globus Compute (FuncX) for **authentication** and remote job submission
- **Allows researchers to run parallel inference workloads (RAY)** with an OpenAI-compliant API on private, secure compute environments
- Supports a variety of models and **multiple inference backends (vLLM – single turn, SGLang – multi-turns)**,
- **Supports interactive and batch modes** (one inference request at a time via the API in a program. Or 1000s (batch mode)).





# INTERFACING WITH THE INFERENCE SERVICE

OpenAI API (including batch)

<https://docs.alcf.anl.gov/services/inference-endpoints>

cURL Python (OpenAI SDK)

```
#!/bin/bash

# Get your access token
access_token=$(python inference_auth_token.py get_access_token)

curl -X POST "https://inference-api.alcf.anl.gov/resource_server/sophia" \
  -H "Authorization: Bearer ${access_token}" \
  -H "Content-Type: application/json" \
  -d '{
    "model": "meta-llama/Meta-Llama-3.1-8B-Instruct",
    "messages": [{"role": "user", "content": "Explain quantum computing"}]
  }'
```

## API Usage Examples ¶

### Querying Endpoint Status

Querying Endpoint Status

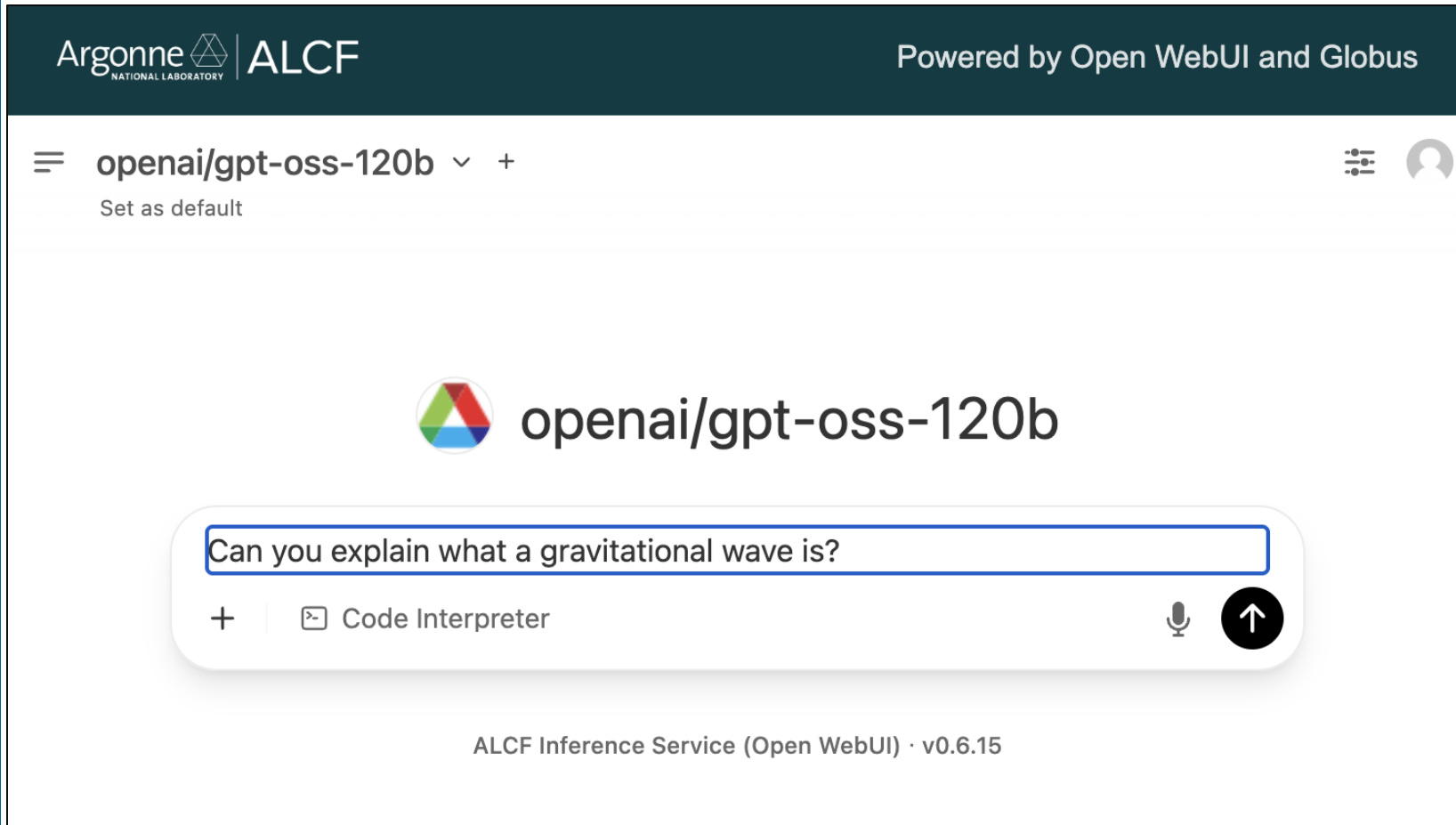
### Chat Completions

Chat Completions

```
{
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  "object": "chat.completion",
  "created": 1755114580,
  "model": "meta-llama/Meta-Llama-3.1-8B",
  "choices": [
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      "message": {
        "role": "assistant",
        "content": "Quantum computing is a new way of processing information that's different from the way regular computers work. Here's a simplified explanation:\n\n**Regular Computers:**\n\nRegular computers use \"bits\" to store and process information. Bits are like light switches that can be either ON (1) or OFF (0). When you combine these bits, you get numbers, letters, and other data.\n\n**Quantum Computers:**\n\nQuantum computers use \"qubits\" (quantum bits) to store and process information. Qubits are special because they can be both ON and OFF at the same time, which is called a \"superposition.\" This means a qubit can process multiple possibilities simultaneously, making it much faster than regular computers for certain tasks.\n\n**Another Key Concept: Entanglement**\n\nQubits can also be \"entangled,\" which means that when something happens to one qubit, it instantly affects the other qubits, no matter how far apart they are. This allows quantum computers to perform calculations on multiple qubits simultaneously, making them incredibly powerful.\n\n**How Quantum Computing Works:**\n\nImagine you have a combination lock with 10 numbers. A regular computer would try each number one by one, taking a long time to find the correct combination. A quantum computer, on the other hand, can try all 10 numbers simultaneously, thanks to the power of qubits and entanglement. This makes quantum computing incredibly fast for certain tasks, such as:\n\n1. **Cryptography:** Breaking complex codes and encryption methods.\n2. **Optimization:** Finding the best solution for complex problems, like logistics and supply chain management.\n3. **Simulation:** Simulating complex systems, like weather patterns and molecular interactions.\n\n**Challenges and Limitations:**\n\nQuantum computing is still a developing field, and there are many challenges to overcome, such as:\n\n1. **Error correction:** Qubits are prone to errors, which can affect the accuracy of calculations.\n2. **Scalability:** Currently, quantum computers are small and can only perform a limited number of calculations.\n3. **Noise:** Quantum computers are sensitive to external noise, which can disrupt calculations.\n\n**Conclusion:**\n\nQuantum computing is a revolutionary technology that has the potential to solve complex problems that are currently unsolvable or take too long to solve with regular computers. While it's still in its early stages, researchers and companies are working to overcome the challenges and limitations, and we can expect to see significant advancements in the coming years.\""}
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  "throughput_tokens_per_second": 137.14235798428732
}
```

# INTERFACING WITH THE INFERENCE SERVICE

Open WebUI interface  
<https://inference.alcf.anl.gov>



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Can you explain what a gravitational wave is?

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vacuum ( $\rho = 0$ ) this reduces to a simple wave equation  $\Delta \psi = 0$ .

## 2. How Gravitational Waves Are Produced

Gravitational waves are generated whenever **mass-energy accelerates asymmetrically**. The strongest astrophysical sources are:

SOURCE	TYPICAL FREQUENCY (HZ)	TYPICAL STRAIN (H) AT EARTH
Binary Black Hole (BH–BH) Merger	10–500	$10^{-21} - 10^{-22}$
Binary Neutron Star (NS–NS) Merger	10–2000	$10^{-21} - 10^{-23}$
Supernova Core Collapse	~100–1000	$10^{-23} - 10^{-24}$
Rapidly Rotating Neutron Stars (mountains)	~10–1000	$10^{-26} - 10^{-28}$
Stochastic Background (early universe)	$10^{-9} - 10^3$	Extremely tiny, model-dependent

Key points:

**Quadrupole Moment:** The dominant contribution to gravitational radiation comes from the second time derivative of the mass quadrupole moment  $Q_{ij}$ . A changing monopole (total mass) or dipole (center-of-mass motion) does **not** radiate in GR.

**Energy Loss:** As a system radiates, it loses orbital energy, causing binary components to spiral inward (the “chirp” observed by detectors).

## 3. What a Gravitational Wave Does to Space



When a GW passes, it **stretches** space in one direction while **compressing** it in the perpendicular direction, then swaps the roles as the wave oscillates. For a wave traveling along the  $z$ -axis, the metric perturbation in TT (transverse-traceless) gauge looks like:

$$ds^2 = -c^2 dt^2 + [1 + h_+(t - z/c)] dx^2 + [1 - h_+(t - z/c)] dy^2 + dz^2,$$

where  $h_+$  is the “plus” polarization amplitude (analogous for the “cross” polarization). The dimensionless strain

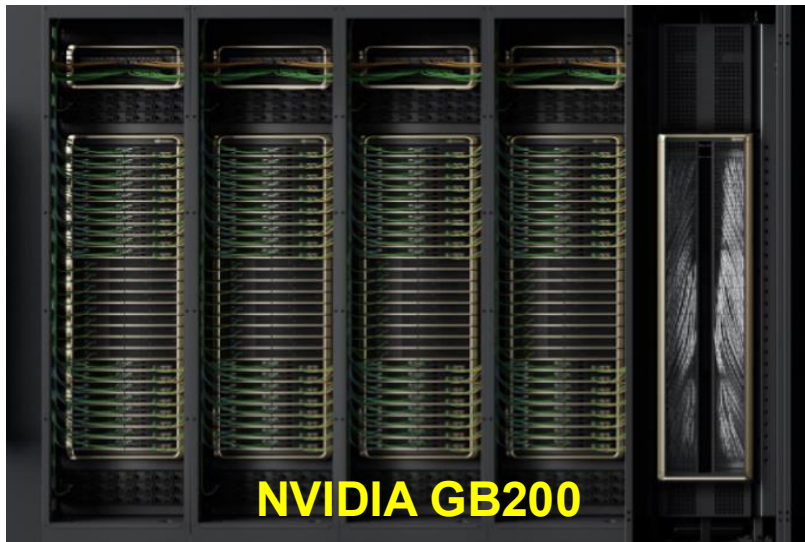
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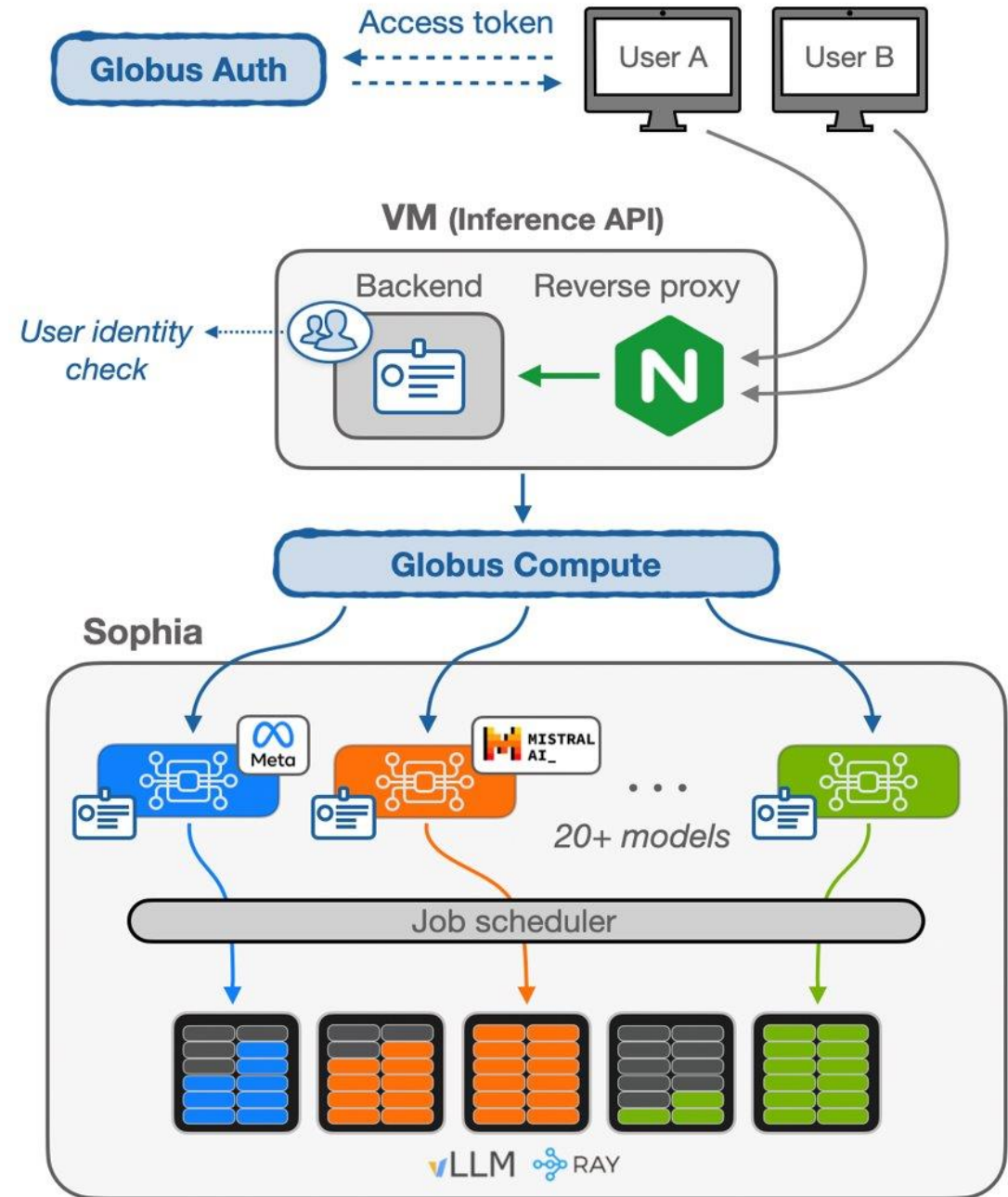


# ALCF IS DEPLOYING DIVERSE INFERENCE SYSTEMS FOR SCIENCE



# SYSTEM COMPONENTS

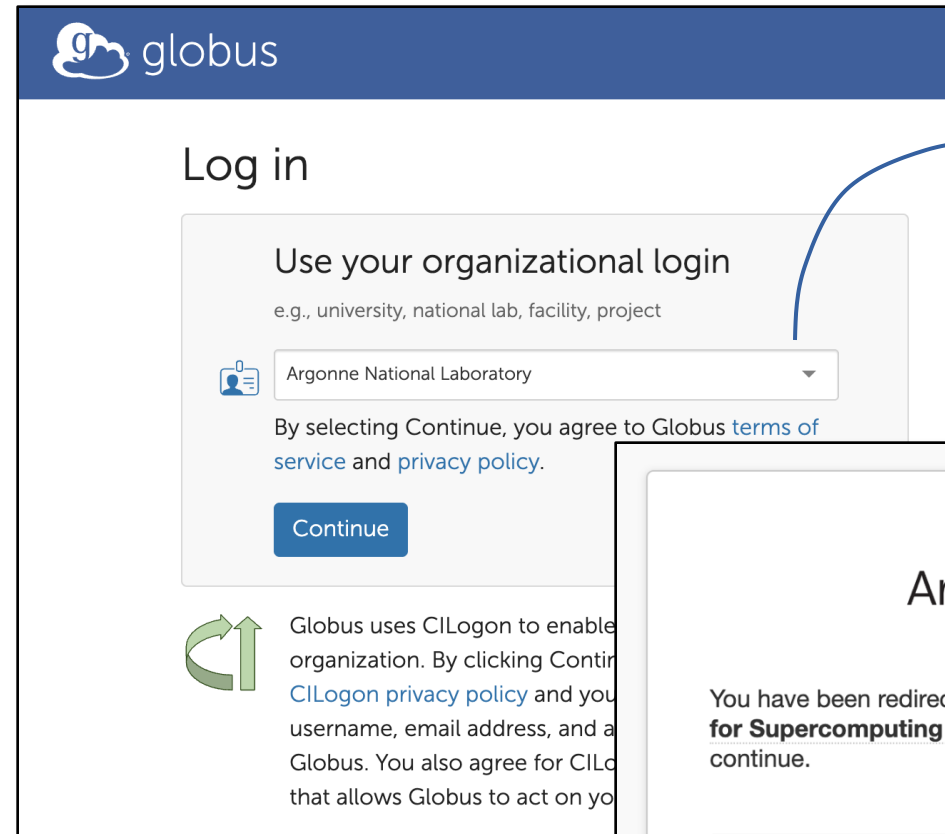
- **Globus Auth:** Enterprise-grade authentication and authorization service (OAuth2/OpenID)
- **API Gateway:** Django-Ninja async, OpenAI-compliant API handling, authorization and request routing, Postgres DB, monitoring
- **Globus Compute:** Orchestration and remote execution framework on HPC clusters
- **Compute Resources:** Compute nodes with GPUs on the ALCF Sophia cluster (more coming...)
- **Inference Backend:** High-performance inference servers (e.g., vLLM) for model serving; model weights downloaded and stored on HPC cluster





# GLOBUS AUTH

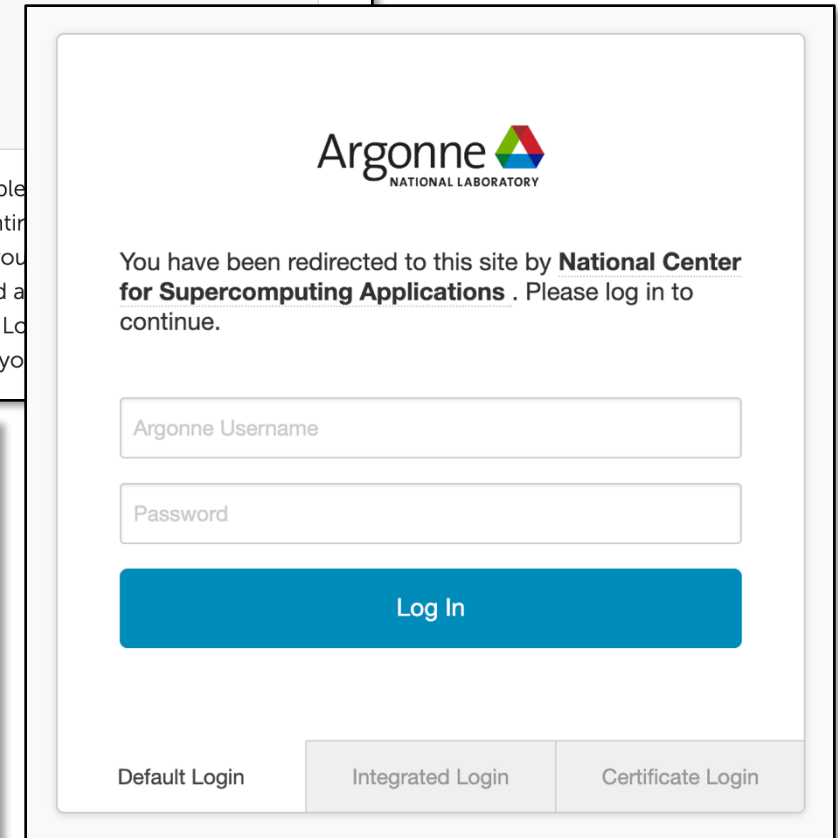
- Authentication and authorization platform (OAuth2/OpenID compliant)
- Federated identity provider integrating with different institutions worldwide
- From a user's perspective:
  - Globus Auth generates a token
  - The token is passed to our inference service as an API key



1100+ identity providers

*Inference service currently only opened to ANL and ALCF*

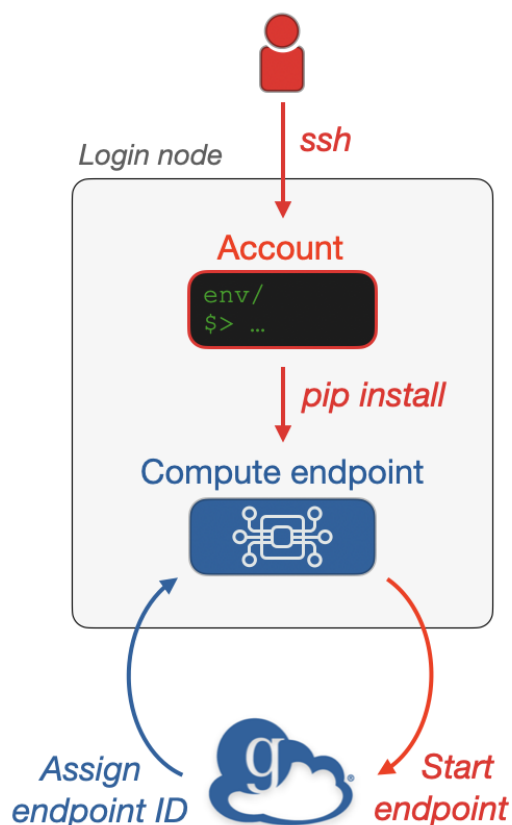
```
client = OpenAI(  
    api_key=access_token,  
    base_url="https://inference-api.alcf.anl.gov/resource_server/sophia/v1lm/v1"  
)  
  
response = client.chat.completions.create(  
    model="meta-llama/Meta-Llama-3.1-8B-Instruct",  
    messages=[{"role": "user", "content": "What are the symptoms of diabetes?"}]  
)
```



# GLOBUS COMPUTE

Globus Compute can **trigger remote analysis** on HPC systems from anywhere in the world.  
**Endpoints** deployed on login nodes submit jobs to the scheduler to execute Python **functions**.

## Install endpoint



## Register function

```
# Create Globus Compute client
from globus_compute_sdk import Client
gcc = Client()
```

The function can do whatever you want, including writing data on the filesystem or call more complex codes.

```
# Define your analysis function
def my_analysis(arguments):

    # Import necessary modules
    import numpy as np
    import scipy

    # Do some analysis using local codes
    # ...

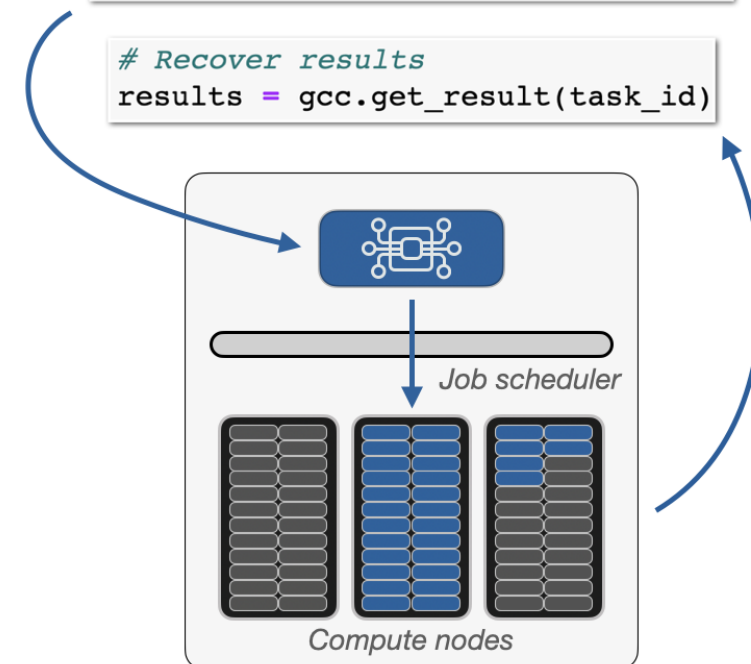
    # Return the computation results
    return ...
```

```
# Register your function
function_id = gcc.register_function(my_analysis)
```

## Run analysis

```
# Submit a function to an endpoint
task_id = gcc.run(
    "my_arguments"
    endpoint_id=endpoint_id,
    function_id=function_id)
```

```
# Recover results
results = gcc.get_result(task_id)
```



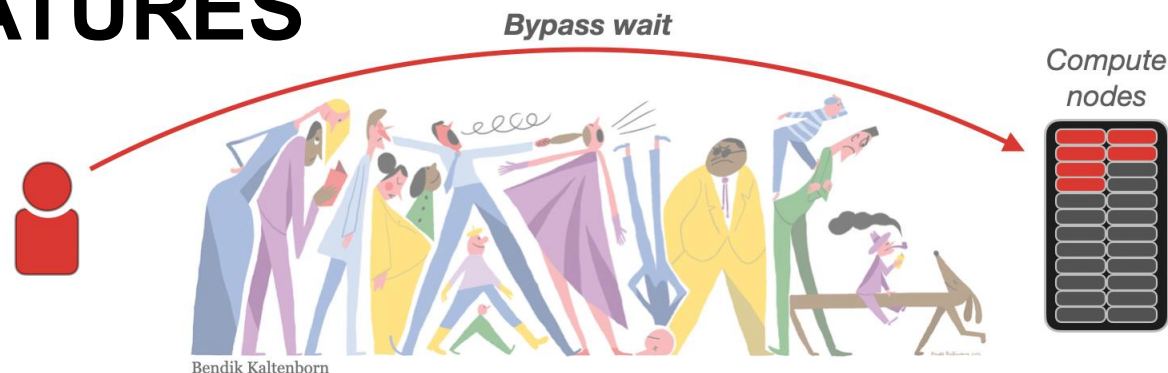
# AVAILABLE MODELS (~30 TOTAL)

**B** - Batch enabled  
**T** - Tool calling enabled  
**R** - Reasoning enabled

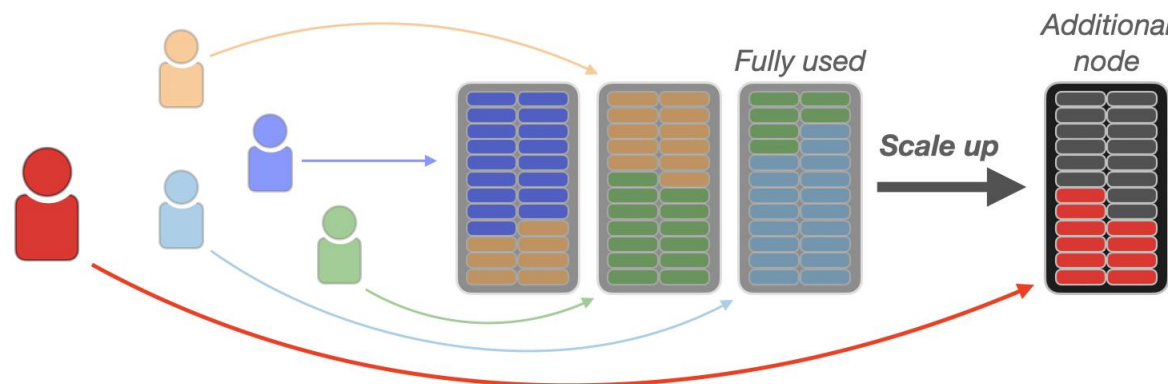
Family	Models
OpenAI	GPT-OSS-20B <sup>BR</sup> , GPT-OSS-120B <sup>BR</sup>
Qwen	Qwen2.5-14B-Instruct <sup>BT</sup> , Qwen2.5-7B-Instruct <sup>BT</sup> , QwQ-32B <sup>BRT</sup> , Qwen3-235B-A22B <sup>RT</sup> , Qwen3-32B <sup>BR</sup>
Meta Llama	Meta-Llama-3-70B-Instruct <sup>B</sup> , Meta-Llama-3-8B-Instruct <sup>B</sup> , Meta-Llama-3.1-70B-Instruct <sup>BT</sup> , Meta-Llama-3.1-8B-Instruct <sup>BT</sup> , Meta-Llama-3.1-405B-Instruct <sup>BT</sup> , Llama-3.3-70B-Instruct <sup>BT</sup> , Llama-4-Scout-17B-16E-Instruct <sup>BT</sup> , Llama-4-Maverick-17B-128E-Instruct <sup>T</sup>
Mistral	Mistral-7B-Instruct-v0.3 <sup>B</sup> , Mistral-Large-Instruct-2407 <sup>B</sup> , Mixtral-8x22B-Instruct-v0.1 <sup>B</sup>
Nemotron	mgoin/Nemotron-4-340B-Instruct-hf
Aurora GPT	AuroraGPT-IT-v4-0125 <sup>B</sup> , AuroraGPT-Tulu3-SFT-0125 <sup>B</sup> , AuroraGPT-DPO-UFB-0225 <sup>B</sup> , AuroraGPT-7B-OI <sup>B</sup>
Allenai	Llama-3.1-Tulu-3-405B
Google	gemma-3-27b-it <sup>BT</sup>
Vision (VLM)	Qwen/Qwen2-VL-72B-InstructB, meta-llama/Llama-3.2-90B-Vision-Instruct
Embedding	nvidia/NV-Embed-v2, Salesforce/SFR-Embedding-Mistral <sup>B</sup> , mistralai/Mistral-7B-Instruct-v0.3-embed <sup>B</sup>

# KEY CAPABILITIES AND FEATURES

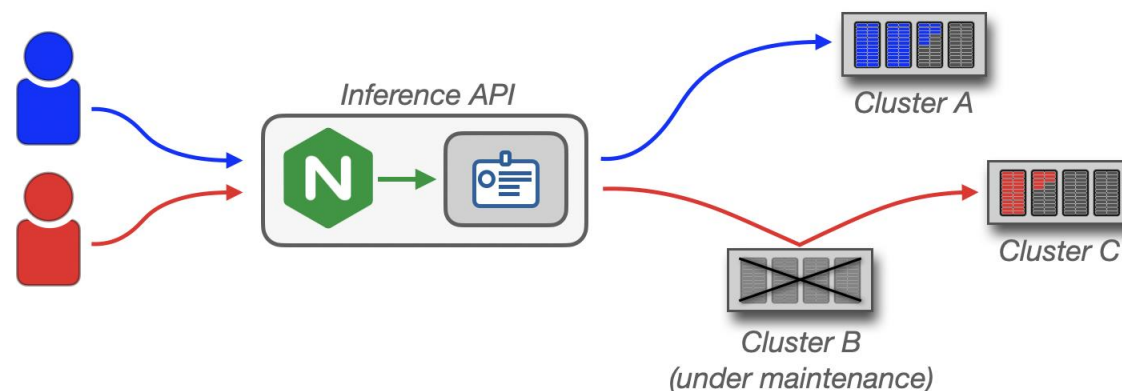
- **Dedicated Compute Resources:** Selected LLMs persistently served on dedicated nodes. This bypasses HPC queues and “cold starts”.



- **Auto-Scaling and Hot Nodes:** New nodes can dynamically be acquired to accommodate higher traffic. Cold models can be dynamically be loaded and kept hot for 24 hours.

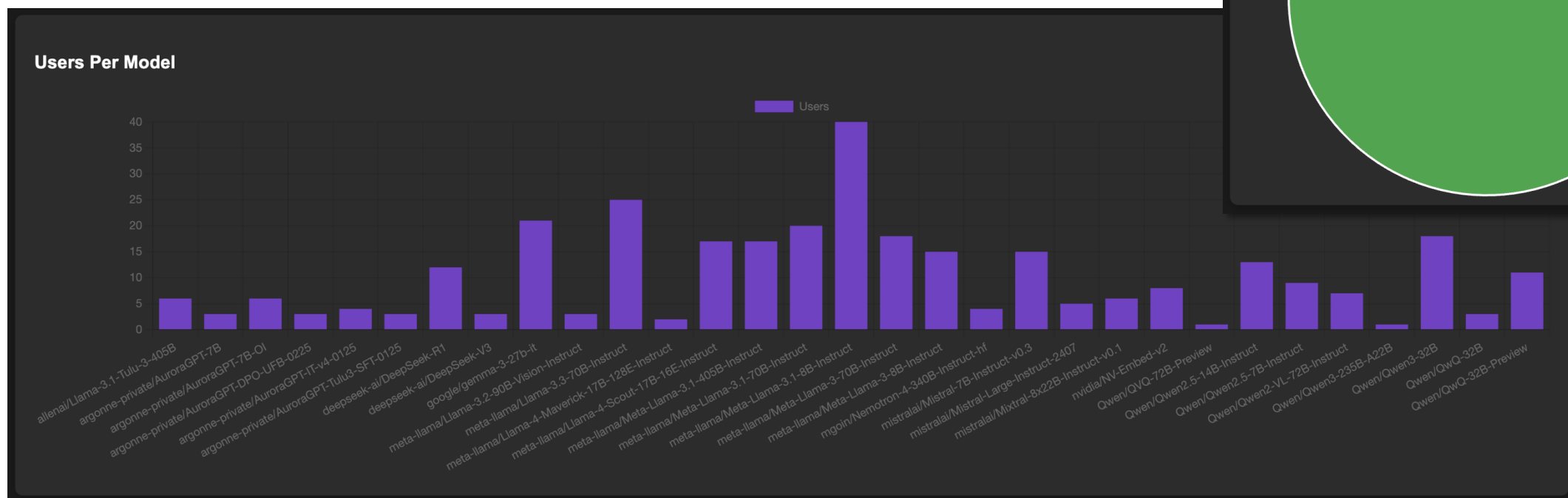


- **Multi-Backend Integration:** Our API can seamlessly route requests to diverse remote hardware, including SambaNova SN40 and Sophia inference clusters.



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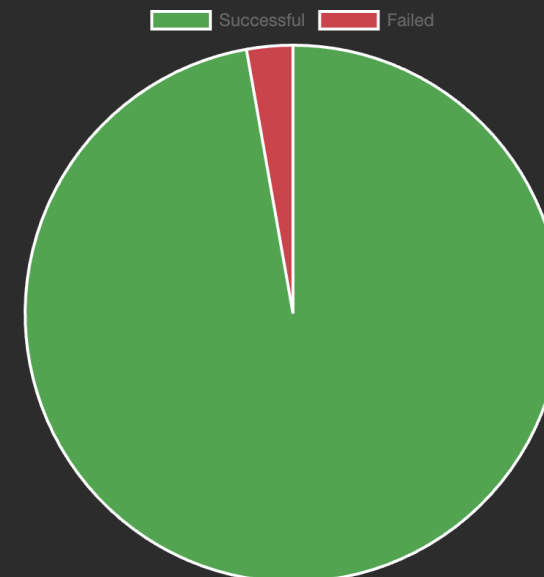
- **Dashboard Monitoring:** A dashboard is available to system administrators and provides various metrics such as recent activities, number of requests and users, token throughput, and latency.
- **Current Status:** Over 8.7M requests, over 10 billion tokens generated, can generate ~3,500 tokens per second on a Sophia compute node.



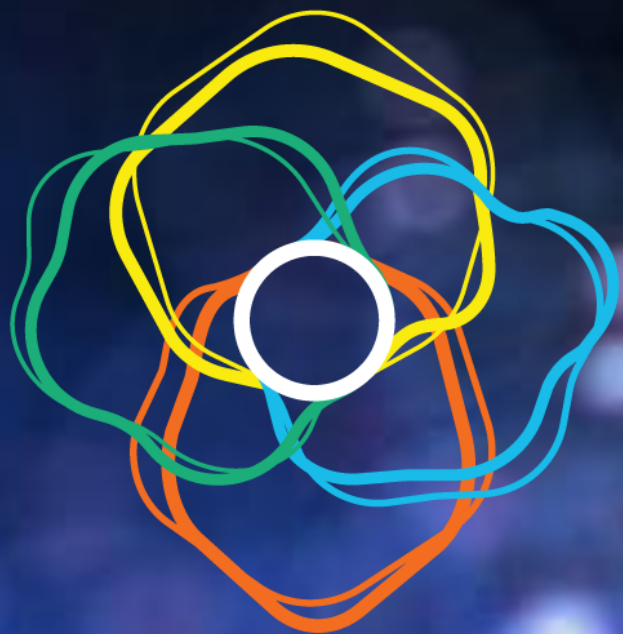
## Dashboard Analytics

## Total Requests

**Total: 4144244 (76 users)**







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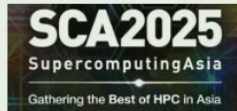


## Winter 2025 TPC Hackathon

*Hosted by RIKEN Center for Computational Science*

*Kobe, Japan*

*March 5-7, 2025*



## TPC Workshop at SCA25

*Singapore*

*March 10, 2025*



## Spring 2025 TPC Hackathon

*Hosted by CSC-IT Center for Science*

*Helsinki, Finland*

*May 6-8, 2025*



## TPC Workshop at ISC-HPC 2025

*Hamburg, Germany*

*June 13, 2025*



## TPC25 All-Hands Hackathon and Conference

*San Jose, USA*

*July 28-31, 2025*



## TPC Workshop at SC25

*Frontiers in Generative AI for HPC Science and Engineering: Foundations, Challenges, and Opportunities.*

*St. Louis, USA*

*November 16-21, 2025*



## TPC Global Kick-off Workshop

*Hosted by Argonne National Laboratory and the University of Chicago*

*Chicago, USA*

*August 2-3, 2023*



## ISC Workshop: Accelerating AI for Science

*Hamburg, Germany*

*May 16, 2024*



## TPC European Kick-off Workshop

*Hosted by the Barcelona Supercomputing Center*

*Barcelona, Spain*

*June 19-21, 2024*



## Fall 2024 TPC Hackathon

*Hosted by Argonne National Laboratory and The University of Chicago*

*Chicago, USA*

*October 9-11, 2024*



*Accelerating the Development and Use of Generative AI for Science and Engineering: The Trillion Parameter Consortium*

*Atlanta, USA*

*November 22, 2024*

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# TPC Biweekly Distinguished Seminar Series (2024-5 Speakers)



**Towards Scientific Agents: From Foundation Models to Automated Discovery**

**Karthik Duraisamy**  
Professor of Aerospace Engineering at the University of Michigan and director of Michigan Institute for Computational Discovery and Engineering (MICDE)



**AI Agents: Unleashing the Power of Superintelligence in Science and Technology**

**Dr. Neeraj Kumar**  
Chief Data Scientist at Pacific Northwest National Laboratory (PNNL)



**Scaling Generative AI and LLM Models on Aurora**

**Koichi Yamada**  
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Affiliation: Groq Inc.



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**Kyle Lo**

Research Scientist at the Allen Institute for AI in Seattle



**Sajal Dash**

Research Scientist at Oak Ridge National Laboratory



**Michael C. Frank**

Stanford University



**Dexter Pratt**

Director of Software Development



**EAIRA: Establishing a methodology to evaluate LLMs as research assistants**

April 2, 2025  
10-11:15 a.m. (CST)

**Franck Cappello**  
Senior Computer Scientist, Argonne National Laboratory



**Part of the AI Distinguished Lecture Series: AI-Driven Modelling of the Immune System**

May 1, 2025  
11 a.m. (CST)

**Maria Rodriguez Martinez**  
Yale School of Medicine



**Scalable Training of Trustworthy and Efficient Predictive Graph Foundation Models for Atomistic Materials Modeling: A Case Study with HydraGNN**

April 23, 2025  
11 a.m.-12:15 p.m. (CST)

**Prasanna Balaprakash**  
Director of AI Programs and a Distinguished R&D Scientist at Oak Ridge National Laboratory (ORNL)



**Meta Platforms**

February 5, 2025

**Kevin Chan**  
Global Policy Campaign Strategies Director



**Efficiently Learning at Test-Time with LLMs via Transductive Active Learning**

March 5, 2025

**Jonas Hübotter**  
Doctoral Researcher, Learning and Adaptive Systems Group at ETH Zurich



**Scaling Large Vision-Language Models for Enhanced Multimodal Comprehension in Scientific Discovery**

**Chibuike Robinson Umeike**  
Graduate research and teaching assistant at University of Alabama



**Adaptive Multimodal Conditional Diffusion for Complex Dynamic Systems**

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Los Alamos National Laboratory



**Towards Generative Decision-Making Agents**

**Yuexiang (Simon) Zhai**  
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**The Space of Possible Minds**

**Phillip Ball**  
Freelance writer and broadcaster



**Rio Yokota**

Global Scientific Information and Computing Center, Tokyo Institute of Technology



**Resource-friendly alignment in language models: from reward modeling to preference learning**

**Jiwoo Hong**  
MSc Student  
Affiliate: KAIST AI



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**TPC Seminar Talk**

February 19, 2025

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**PDE-Controller: LLMs for Autoformalization and Reasoning of PDEs**

March 19, 2025  
11 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

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**Research Assistants in Molecular Biology**

May 14, 2025  
10 a.m. (CST)

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# Conclusions

- These are exciting times to be in computing field
- The AI industry is making rapid progress
- The science community has a unique opportunity to leverage AI for accelerating scientific discovery in unforeseen ways
- The AuroraGPT project aims to develop such a foundation model to catalyze advancements in science and engineering