

Data Intensive Cyberinfrastructure Foundation

Supporting iRODS Open Source Community

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DICF Community Foundation

- ❑ iRODS Goals: Developing Useful Software
- ❑ Beyond software development...
- ❑ Long-term viability of iRODS open source S.W.
- ❑ Education
- ❑ iRODS copyrights
- ❑ iRODS Community



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iRODS Goals

- ❑ Long-term viability of iRODS open source software
- ❑ Data Intensive Cyberinfrastructure Foundation
 - Nonprofit corporation
 - Startup in 2008.
- ❑ What are the benefits of a Foundation?
 - Long-term home for iRODS
 - ❑ Beyond any university, grant, individual developer, etc.
 - ❑ Assures community of long-term availability of iRODS.
 - iRODS Education
 - ❑ iRODS expertise and data management in general
 - Manage intellectual property
 - Community outreach



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Data Intensive Cyberinfrastructure Foundation

- Foundation Directors
 - Reagan Moore, Arcot Rajasekar, Richard Marciano, Wayne Schroeder, Michael Wan

- Foundation Officers
 - Reagan Moore, President
 - Paul Tooby, CFO and Secretary

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 - Website: <http://diceresearch.org>



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Foundation Education

- iRODS Community Education
 - About iRODS and generic data management
 - Participation in collaborative education activities

- Using iRODS
 - iRODS is highly configurable and extensible
 - Showing the many ways of using iRODS



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iRODS User Community

- *A sampling of projects using iRODS...*
- iRODS Development Collaborations
 - NARA TPAP Transcontinental Persistent Archive Prototype (NARA funded)
 - NSF SDCI Research in Adaptive Middleware Architecture Systems
 - SHAMAN Sustaining Heritage Access through Multivalent ArchiviNg
 - CC-IN2P3 France; ARCS Australia; UK e-Science data grid; CeRch KC London; KEK Japan; Academia Sinica, Taiwan; Fedora Commons; Dspace, HDF5; OpenCobalt; Taverna, etc.
- Communities Using DICE Technologies, including Biology, Environment, Psychology, Human Subjects
 - iPlant Collaborative (NSF)
 - TDLC Temporal Dynamics of Learning Center (NSF funded)
 - National Center for Microscopy and Imaging Research (NCMIR CCDB)
- Physical Sciences, including astronomy, physics, etc.
 - NOAO National Optical Astronomy Observatories data grid (NSF)
 - NVO National Virtual Observatory (NSF)



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iRODS User Community

- Physical Sciences (continued)
 - Observatoire de Strasbourg, France, VOSpace Interface
 - CADAC Computational Astrophysics Data Analysis Center (NSF)
 - BaBar high energy physics data grid (DOE)
- Persistent Archives and Digital Preservation / Humanities Uses
 - NARA TPAP Transcontinental Persistent Archive Prototype
 - e-Legacy Preserving the Geospatial Data of the State of California
 - Distributed Custodial Archival Preservation Environments (NHPRC)
 - T-RACES Testbed for Redlining Archives of CA Exclusionary Spaces (IMLS)
- Geosciences Uses
 - OOI Ocean Observatories Initiative (NSF)
 - SCEC Southern California Earthquake Center (NSF)
- High Performance and Grid Computing
 - NSF TeraGrid, DOE, NASA Center for Computational Sciences (NCCS)
- And more, growing all the time...



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iRODS Use Cases

- Help others find out about your iRODS project...
- Are you included in our projects list?
 - In the DICF Website check the list on "IRODS Uses"
 - <http://dicerresearch.org>
- Send link to your project and we'll include you!
- Send us a bit more information...
 - Run the "zoneinfo" script and send us results
 - Helps build use cases
 - Gives you overview of your zone, helps troubleshooting
 - Helps iRODS developers



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iRODS Use Cases

□ Example of zoneinfo script information

- Tue Sep 15 14:32:26 PDT 2009
- Local zone is: newZone
- Remote zones are:
- Number of users: 5
- Number of user groups: 2
- Number of resources: 2
- Number of collections: 1,077
- Number of data-objects: 1,050,639 (1 million)
- Total data size (bytes): 299,137,241 (299 million)
- Data distribution by resource:
- 299137157 bytes in 1050637 files in 'demoResc'
- Using config file: ../../config/config.mk
- OS=solaris
- no GSI
- no Kerberos
- no FUSE
- MODULES= properties
- PostgreSQL ICAT
- SvrInfo:
- RCAT_ENABLED relVersion=rods2.1 apiVersion=d rodsZone=newZone up 0 days, 5:31
- Tue Sep 15 14:32:48 PDT 2009
- Please enter yes or y to send the above information to the iRODS team:y



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Learning About iRODS

□ iRODS Use Cases

- Outreach to non-technical audiences including scientists, archivists, others showing how they can use iRODS. Also shows benefits to funding agencies...
- Raising the level of "data management literacy"

□ Use case for your project... made easy

- **Send us link** to your project and **one sentence descrip.**
- **Run and send zoneinfo script**
- **Leverage your existing information:**
 - Send news & overviews - Web text, ppt, press release, reports.
- And we'll send your Use Case to funding agencies
 - NSF, etc., **your project receives wider recognition.**



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Learning About iRODS

□ Training programs

- Customized training
- Data architecting, etc.

□ Books

- *iRODS Primer*, Morgan & Claypool, 2010

□ Web resources

- Use cases
- Online video
 - e.g. Networking and Information Technology Research and Development (NITRD) demo



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Long-term iRODS viability

- Managing iRODS intellectual property
 - Copyrights in iRODS code
 - Contributor's Agreement
 - Trademark, etc.

- Intellectual Property and Developers
 - Open source \neq public domain: Someone owns copyrights.
 - Default: you (or employer) own copyrights in code you write.



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iRODS and Copyrights

□ iRODS Copyrights and DICE Foundation

- Transferring copyrights in code contributions to DICE lets us distribute iRODS as open source BSD license software
 - Ensures iRODS remains open source over long term
- Defragments copyrights, Foundation can protect them

□ iRODS Contributor's Agreement

- Normal in open source projects e.g. Apache, etc.
- Download from wiki, contributor of code (or employer) completes
- Transfers copyrights in code contributions to Foundation
- Also gives developer license to do anything they want with their code. Benefits iRODS with no loss of freedom.



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iRODS Collaborations

- Collaborations with other projects and foundations
 - Education projects, development, etc.
 - Outreach e.g. DuraSpace Foundation, preservation community, etc.

- Partner Program
 - Vendors bundling, supporting iRODS, etc.; large users, etc.



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Summing up...

- ❑ Building iRODS community...
- ❑ Send us a link to your project
- ❑ Run zoneinfo script & send brief info.
- ❑ Contributors
 - iRODS Contributor's Agreement
- ❑ Collaborations with projects & foundations



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Thank you!

□ Where to find out more

- DICF website <http://diceresearch.org>

□ Questions?

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