Structure, sharing and preservation of scientific experiment data

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The Data-*in the Scientific Computing*

Overwhelming amount of data in Computational science and getting more so, from where? And why?

- Evolution of Scientific Model
  - Nested model runs (e.g. data assimilation)
  - Fine Control of models (configuration parameters)
- Improvement of Scientific Experimental environment
  - Finer resolution of observational instruments
  - Streaming continuously from hundreds of sensors and network sources.
  - Large archives
- Sophisticated Collaboration between Scientists
  - More active collaboration (annotation, data sharing) in the Web enabled working environment
- Informatic Technology
  - Data mining

So, is it manageable?

- Computational scientists are reaching their limit on ability to manage data products associated with each of their scientific experiments.

- Common Web-based searching/downloading approaches are not suitable for scientific computing (data modification, interoperating with other services, and sharing with security issues)

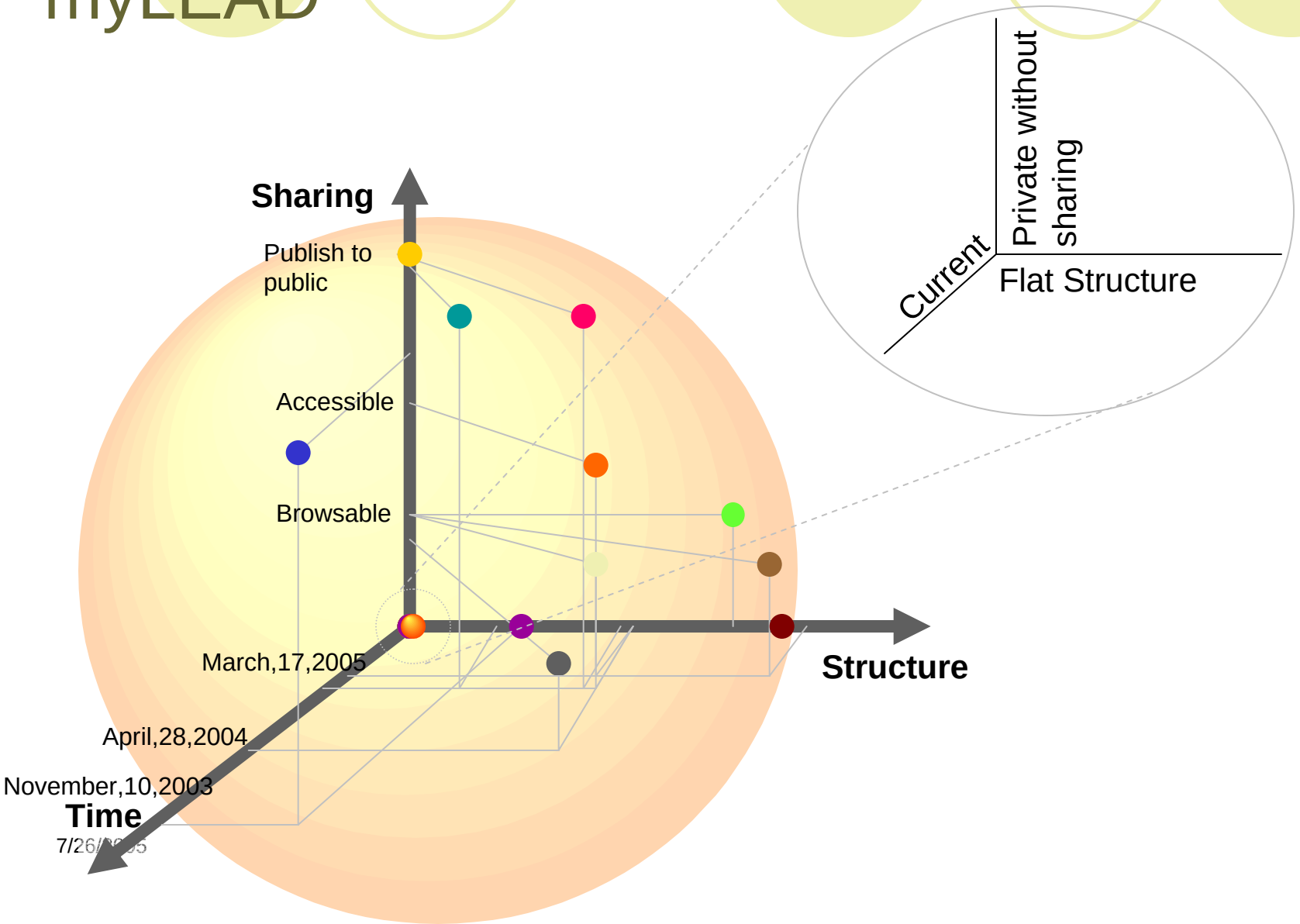
Requirements of the Data Management

- *Total* control over their data products
- The ability to share products but *retain control* over what gets shared, and with whom
- Rich search criteria over the vast information space *without* writing SQL queries.
- Help managing experiment products generated over an extended period of time (i.e., years),
- High level of reliability
- The ability to work locally

myLEAD:
an ‘active’ metadata catalog

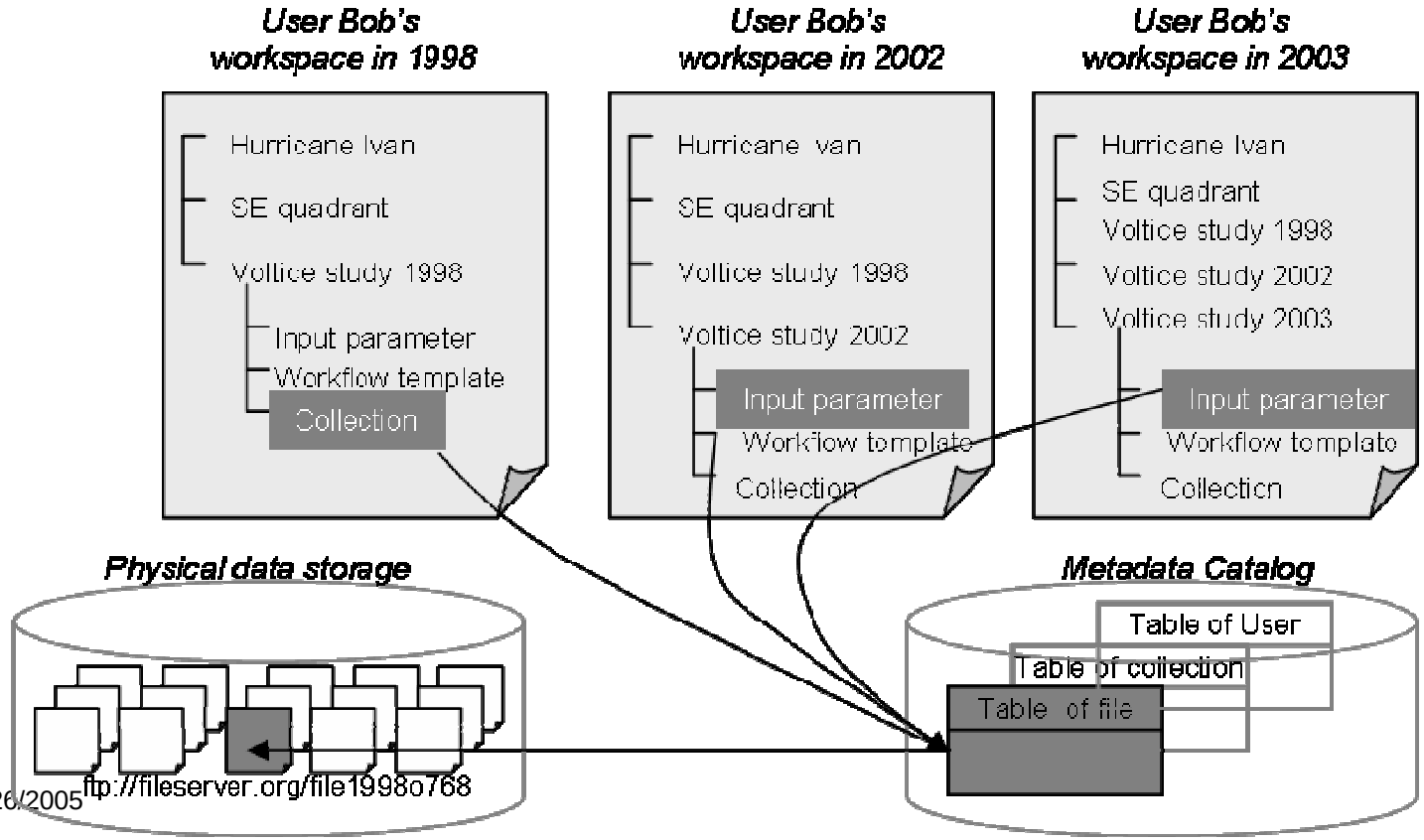
- If we’re going to have half a chance of being widely used, it is going to be us that reaches 3/4’s of the way across the gulf. Our users reach the other 1/4:
  - Easy query “writing”
  - Automated metadata generation
  - Transparent structure management
  - Transparent versioning management
  - Expressive query writing

Envisioning Personal Workspace with myLEAD

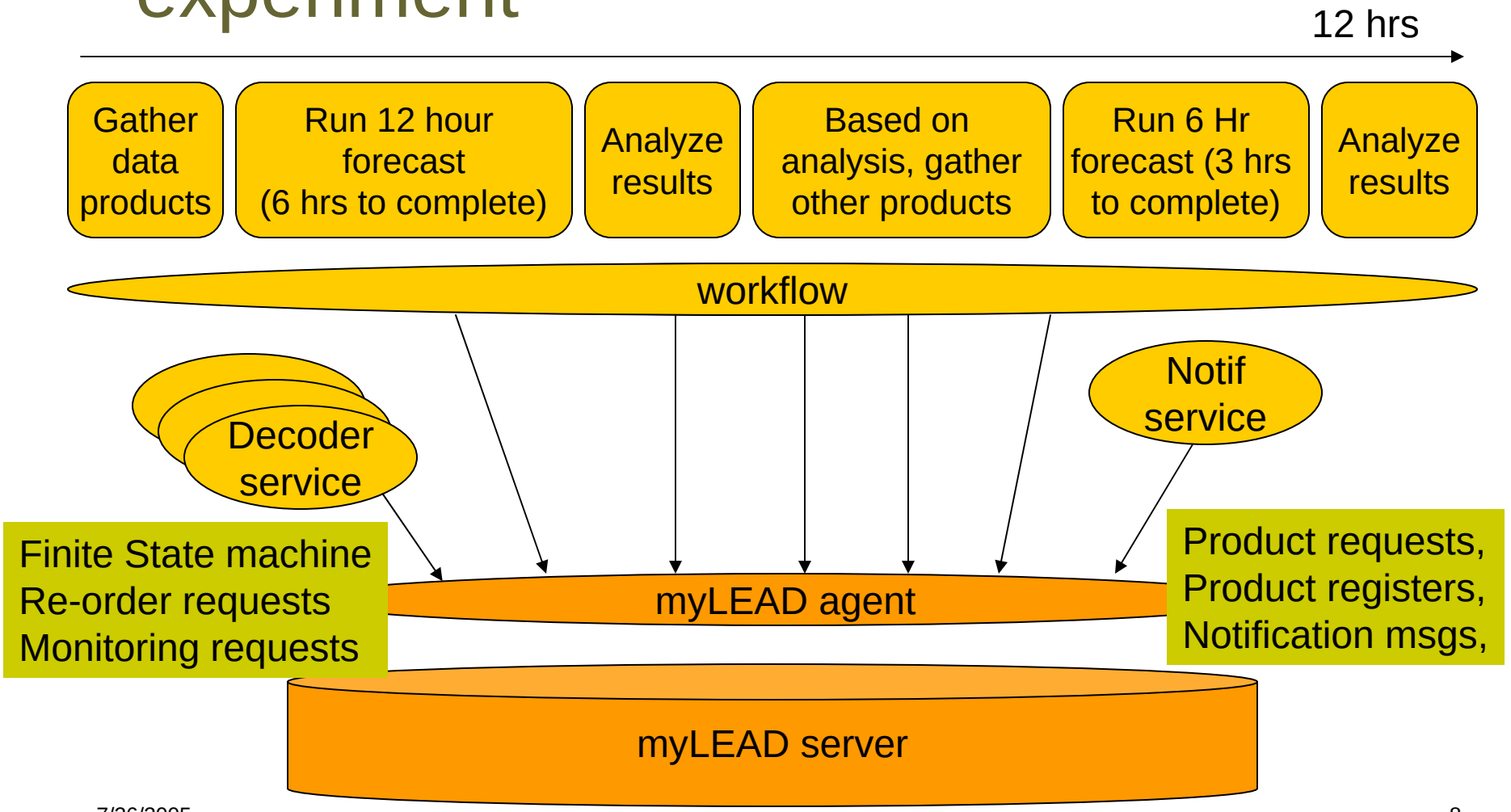


Structure I.
Providing Structural Transparency

- Flexible but interoperable structure
- Structural Transparency



Structure II. Creating structure in database that mirrors structure of experiment

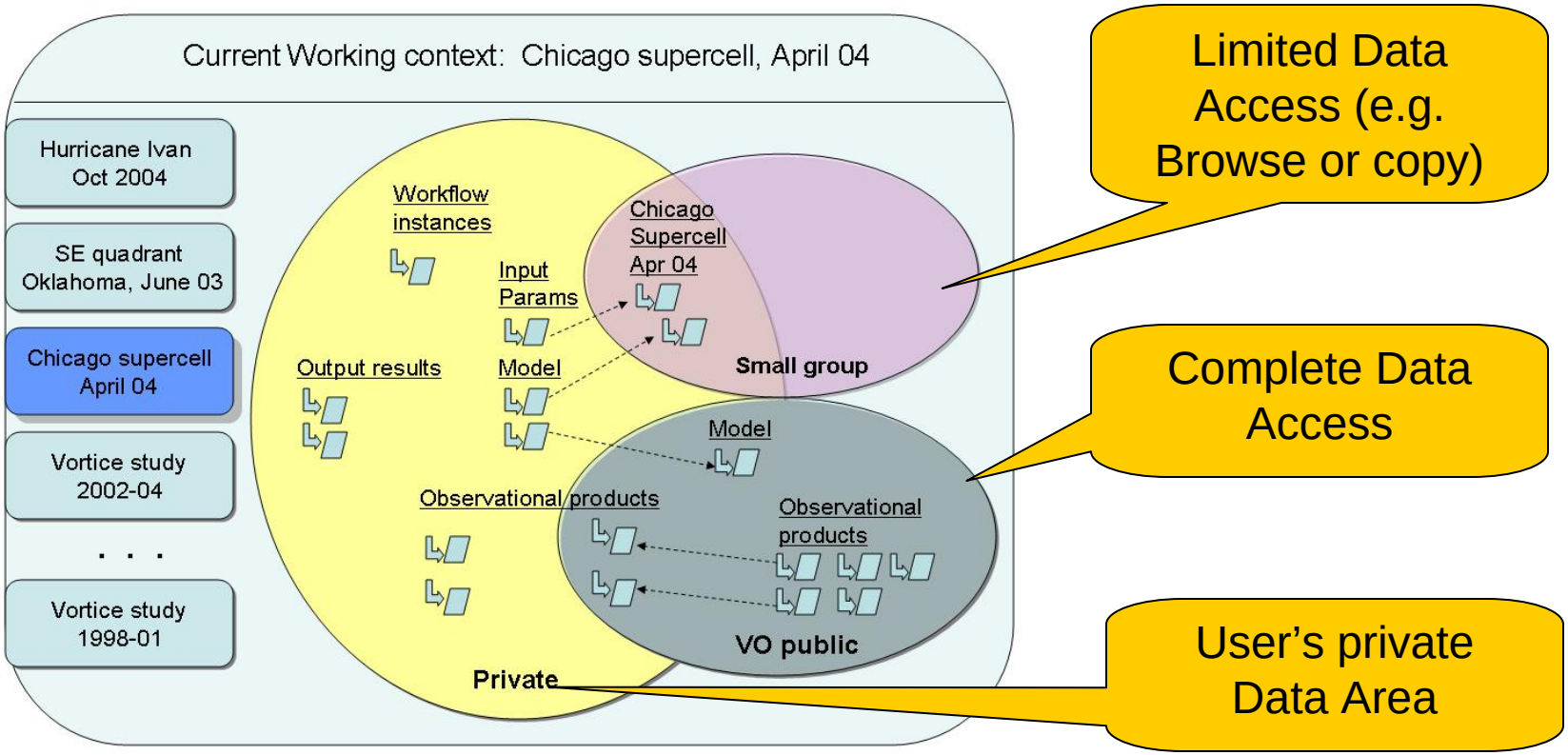


Sharing I. Supporting Data Sharing

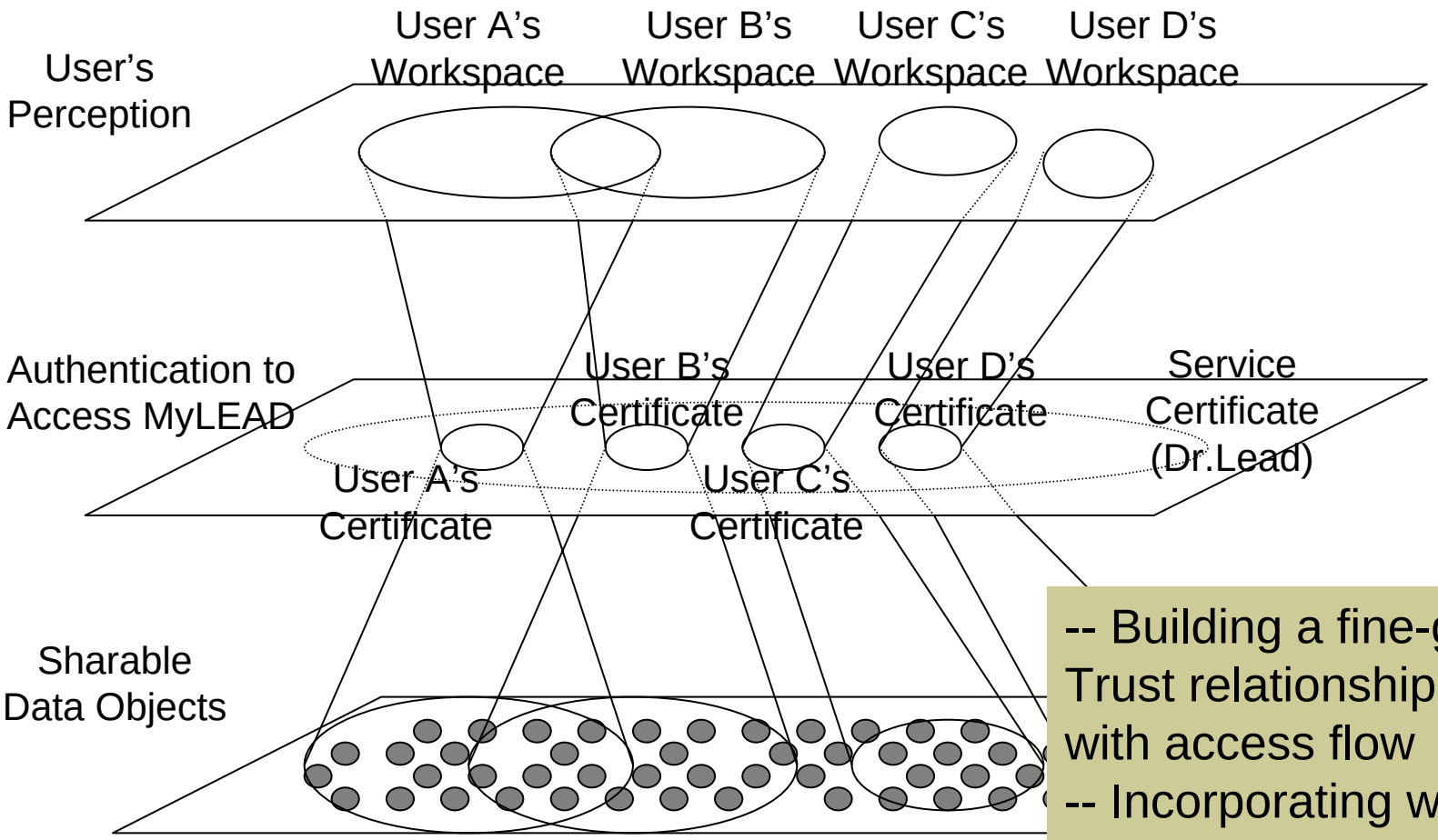
- Flexible sharing between individuals, groups, and individuals vs. groups.
- Flexible depth of sharing:
  - Depth-0: participant (P) is unaware that experiment data (E) owned by user (U) exists
  - Depth-1: P is aware that E exists
  - Depth-2: P can search E
  - Depth-3: P can browse the content of E
  - Depth-4: P can access E and its contents
  - Depth-5: P can remove and write E

Sharing II. Flexible sharing of the Data Product

- user interface to information space showing current experimental context and levels of sharing of various data products



Sharing III. Building Fine-grained Trust scheme



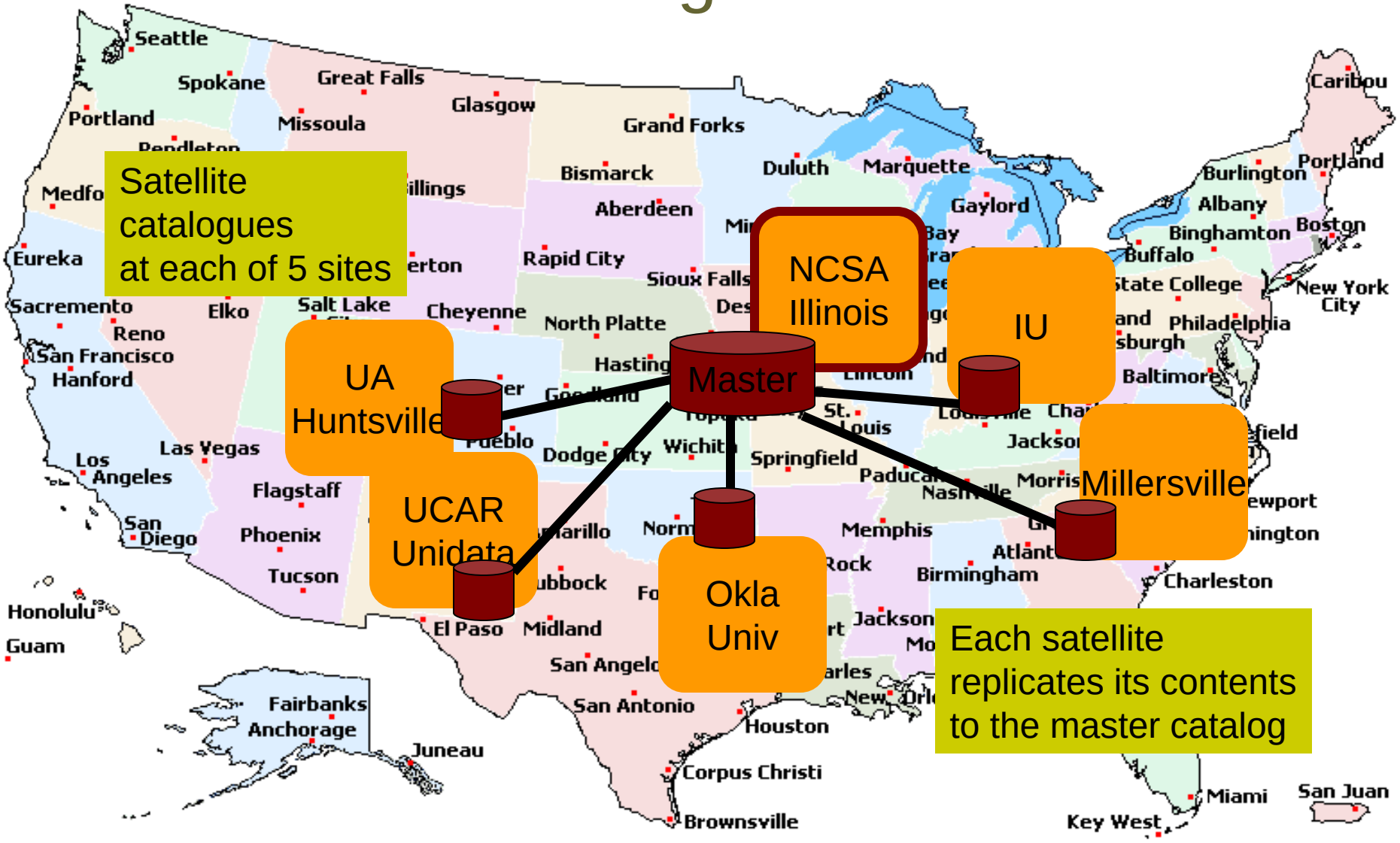
-- Building a fine-grained Trust relationship along with access flow

-- Incorporating with GSI and adapting the access Control.

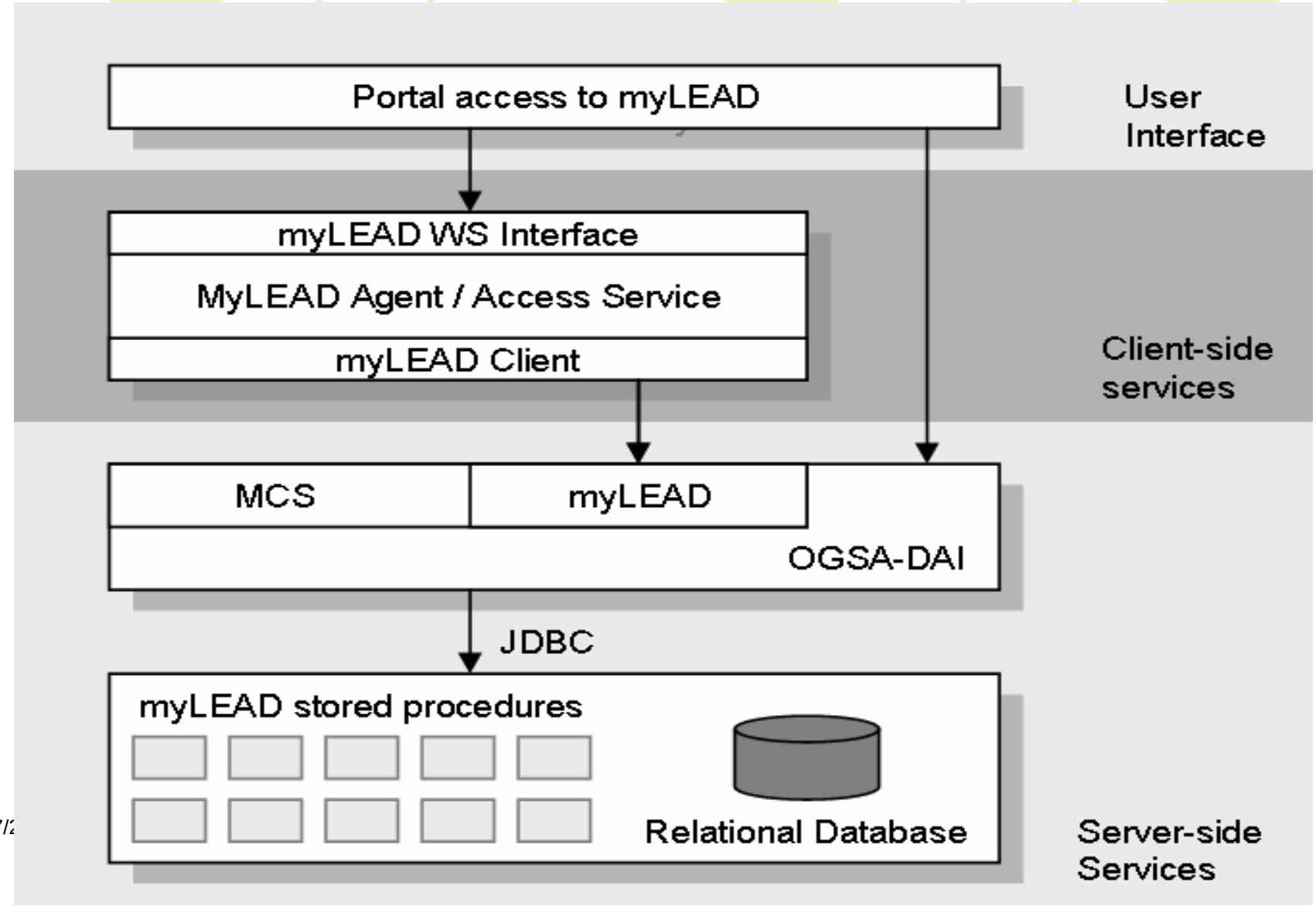
Preservation

- Versioning the data objects along with time frame based on user's decision
- Scientific experiments are repeated until the scientist is satisfied with the result
- Mark with *Landmark* for useful data product
- Archive data product

Architecture Part 1: Distribution scheme of metadata catalogues

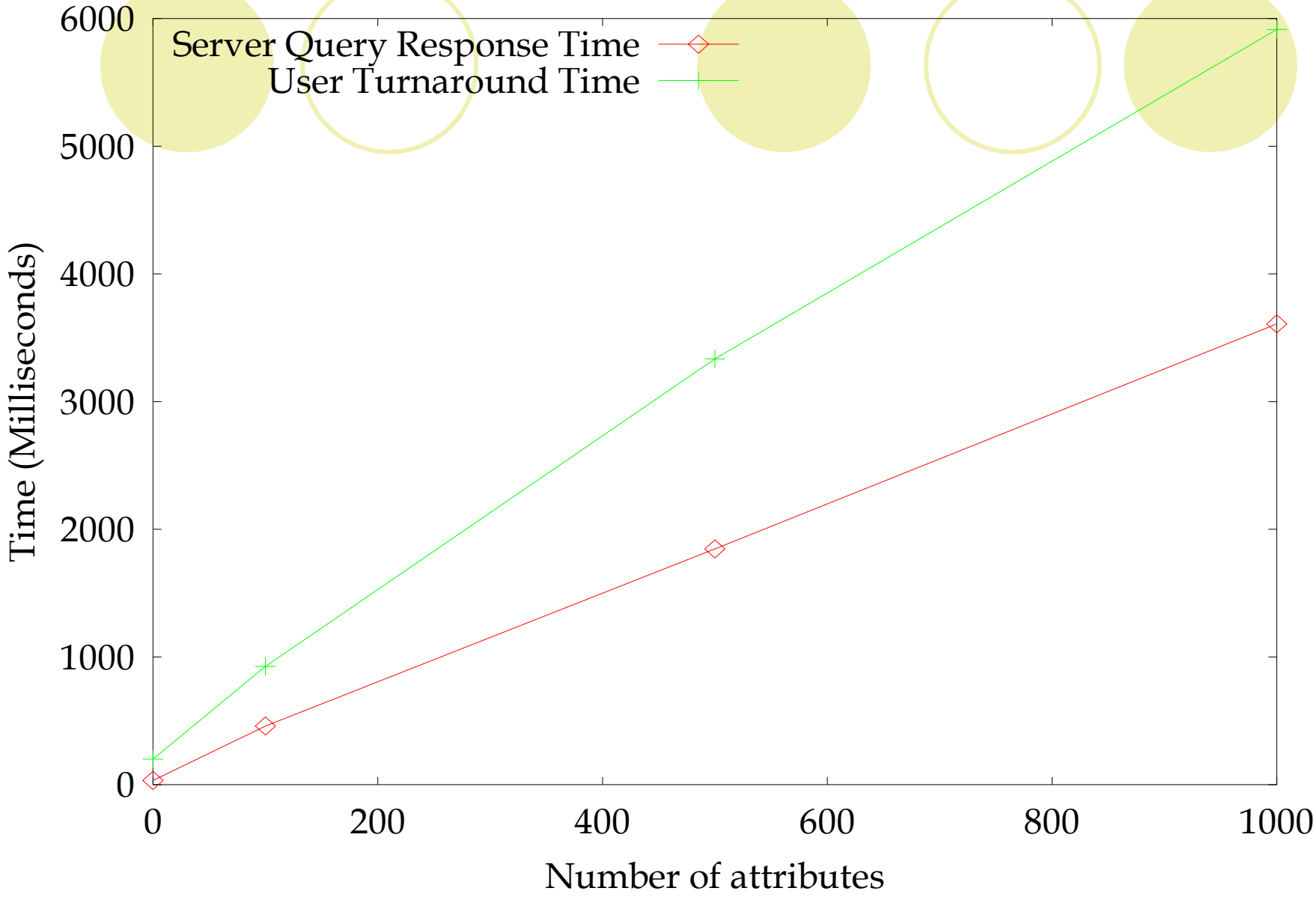


Architecture Part II. Single myLEAD



Performance Evaluation

- MyLEAD extends Globus MCS
  - Extending the schema by including support for spatial and temporal attributes
- Client
  - A dual processor Dell PowerEdge 6400 Xeon server (700MHz PentiumIII), 2GB RAM, 100GB Raid 5, RedHat 7.2, JDK1.4.2.
- The myLEAD server
  - A dual processor 2.0 MHz Opterons, 16GB RAM, GENTOO Linux.
  - The OGSA-DAI version 3.0, Globus MCS version 3.1 and provides access to the database platform, mySQL-version 5.0.0.
- The myLEAD client and the myLEAD server are interconnected through a 1 Gbps switched Ethernet LAN.
- Single user



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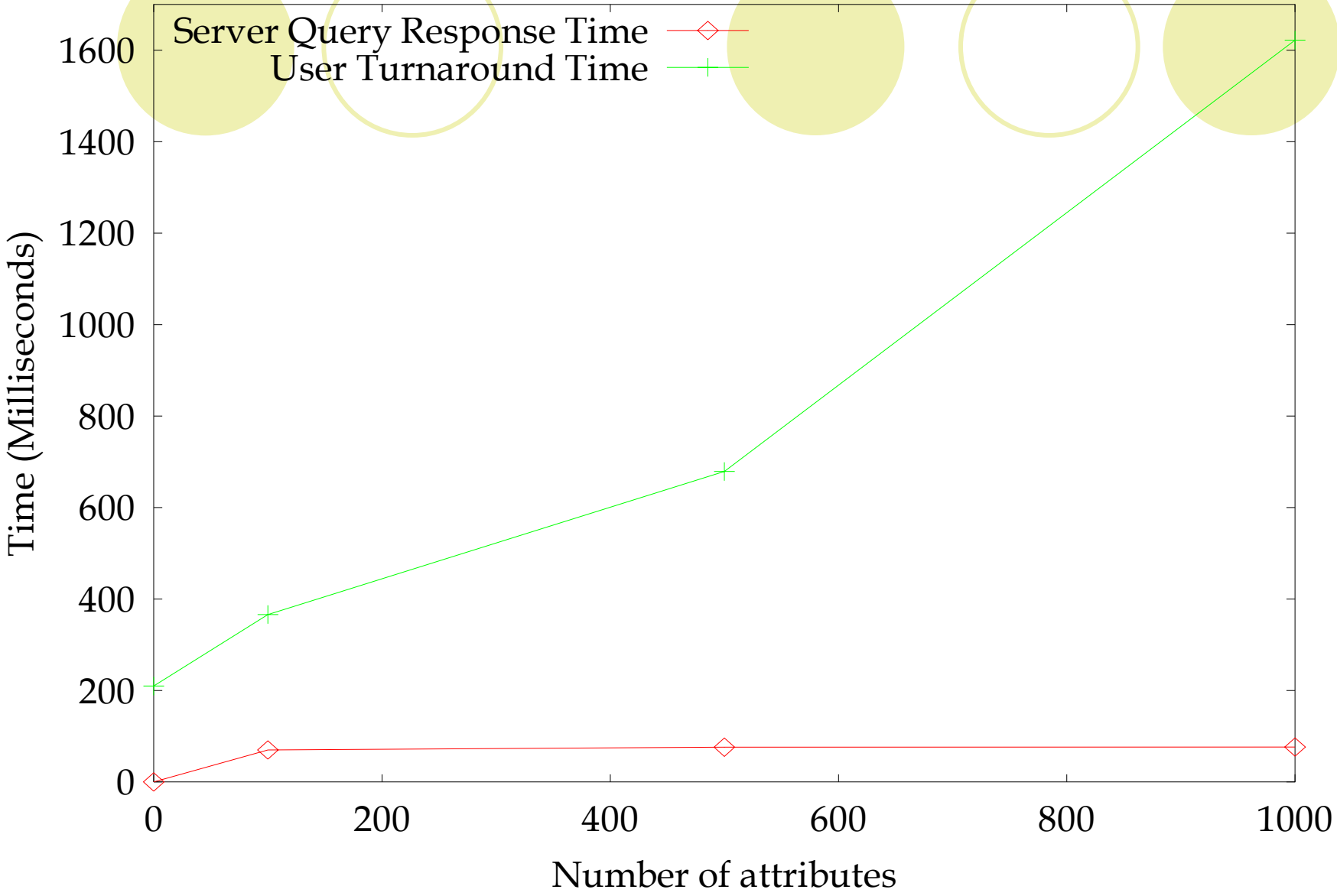

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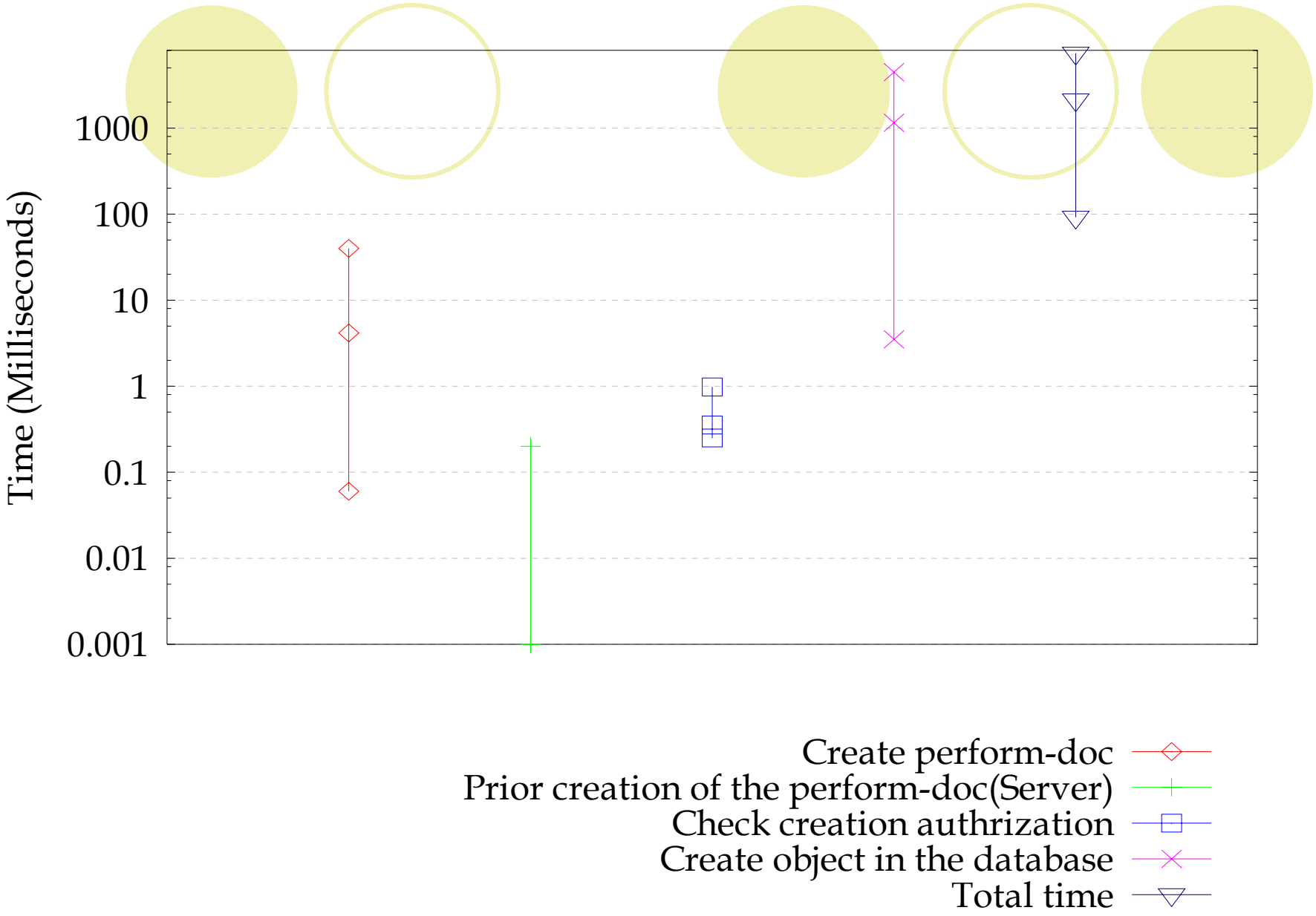

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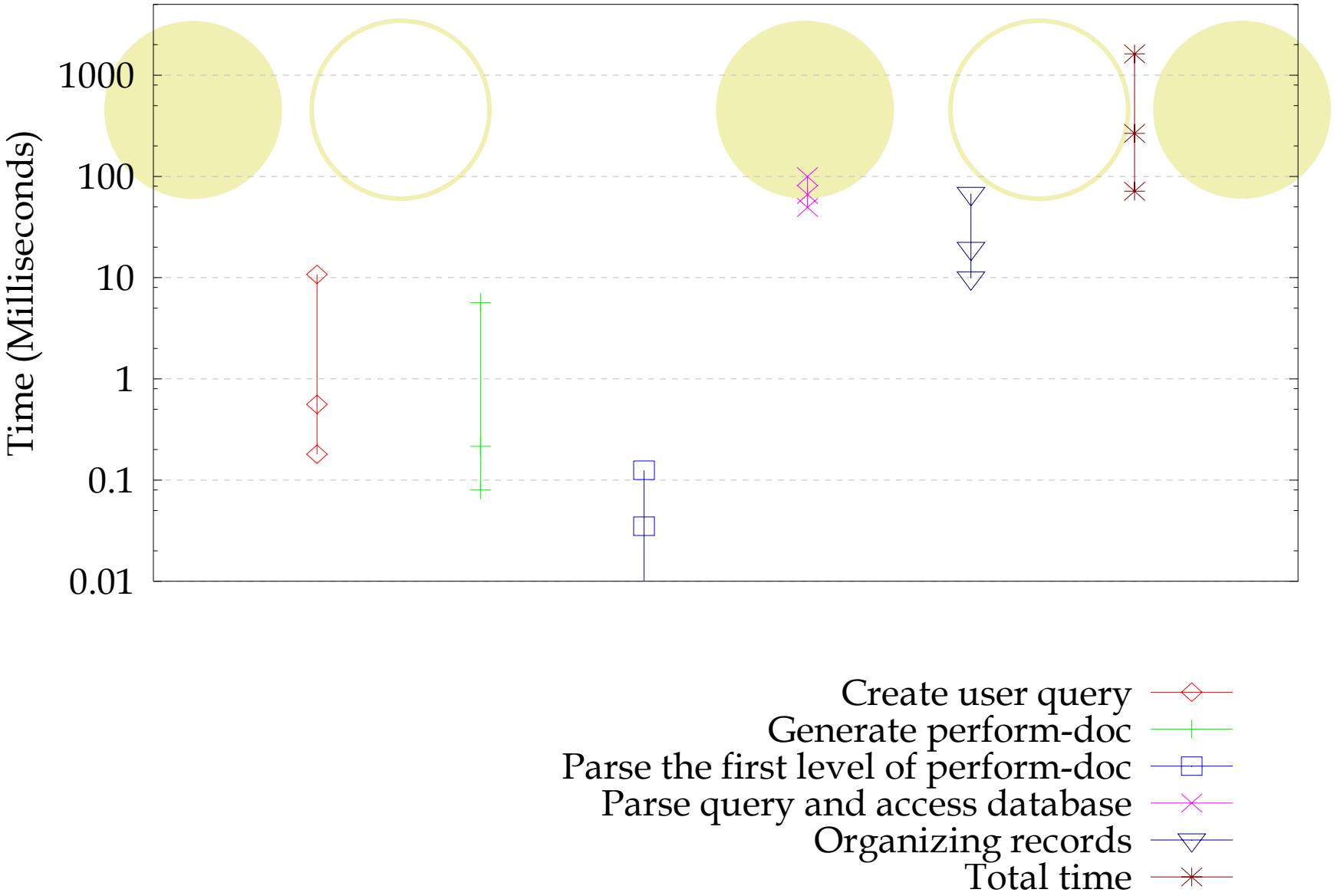

Partial cost of querying attribute in myLEAD

Conclusion and summary

- MyLEAD metadata catalog provides personal workspace enabling
  - Structuring
  - Sharing
  - Preservation of the meteorological experimental data objects
- Architecture of myLEAD
- Performance

Future works

- Scalability
- Immutable experiments
- Convey visual cues of secure data access

- http://www.cs.indiana.edu/dde/projects/mylead03alpha/myLead.html