Globus for LC Users

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Agenda

- Goblin Hardware Overview
- Globus Overview
- Globus walk-through



LC Globus Hardware

- Hosting cluster is Goblin
- Sits in "Green" (unrestricted) Zone
 - Uses GDO user infrastructure with CZ RSA OTP
- 4x Data Transfer nodes (DTNs)
 - 40 Gb link to ESNet



- 2PB NFS-mounted ZFS file system
- Endpoint exists only in Green Zone
 - Users need to transfer data between GZ and CZ
 - 2x 40Gb link between GZ<->CZ
 - Future possibility of auto-sync pending discussion & approval from OISSO



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Accessing Goblin

- Users must request Goblin acct via IDM LC Hotline
 - For now; IDM being extended.
- File transfer internally via:
 - SCP/rsync
 - Hopper (pending)
 - Transfer must originate from CZ, not GZ
 - Globus Connect Personal (GCP) not allowed
 - There appear to be numerous instances running, but users should be advised it's not permitted
- Users can SSH to Globus nodes to manage data
 - Login nodes are also DTNs
 - Home directories are **not** the data shares. Must use /p/globfs/<user>/
- Most users will use Globus Web
 - https://app.globus.org





What is Globus

- Widely-used inter-organization file-transfer service
 - Heavily used in science/research community for large datasets
 - Long used at LLNL/LC for climate data transfer

Benefits

- Easy to use
- Community standard
- Parallel transfers, high-performance
 - Goblin reached > 2 GB/s transfer from ALCF

History:

- Developed by U Chicago & ANL to enable "Grid Computing"
- Non-profit, but "Freemium" product
- Terminology
 - Endpoint: Location to use as source or destination in Globus transfer
 - Collection: Repository of data on a Globus version 5 server
 - Can be multiple collections per endpoint





Globus in LC

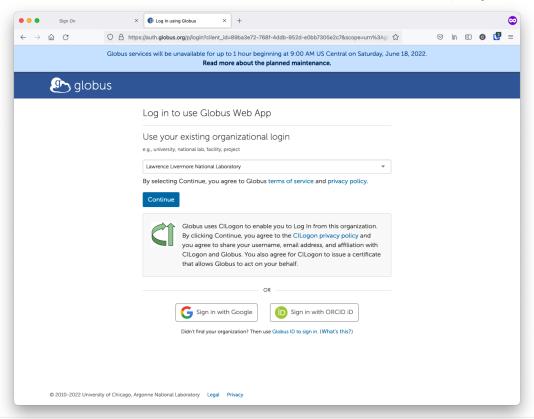
- Endpoint is LC Public
- Data should be considered unprotected in Globus
- Data restrictions
 - LLNL-generated data must go through IM R&R for "public" release
 - May consult with OISSO for waiver availability
 - Outside-generated data:
 - LLNL must have no legal responsibility to protect
 - Follow agreements with data owner for protection
- Only LC users can browse endpoint
 - Users can "Share" their data with outside organizations
- This is a "High Assurance" endpoint, which mandates encryption on all transfers
 - Cannot transfer to/from endpoints not supporting encryption
- Documentation: https://hpc.llnl.gov/services/globus





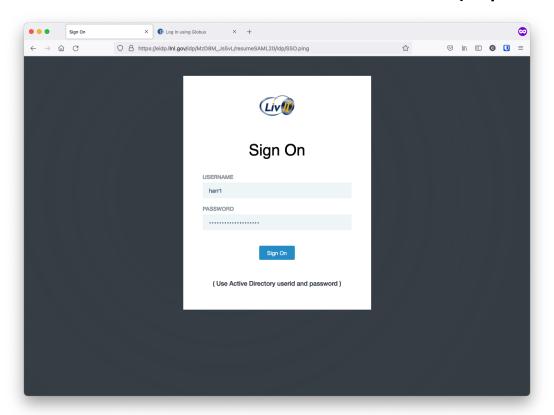
Logging in to Globus Web App (1)

- Point your browser to https://app.globus.org
- Select Lawrence Livermore National Lab (if prompted)



Logging in to Globus Web App (2)

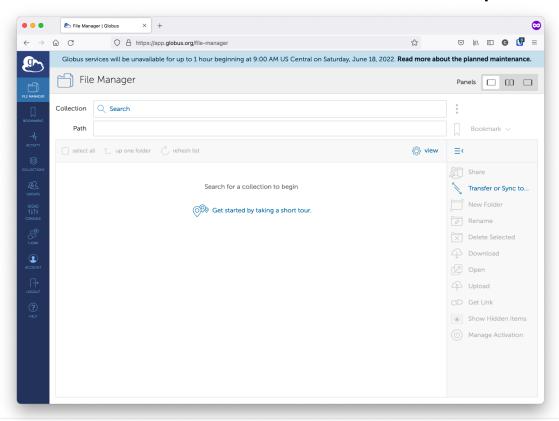
- If prompted, log in to LivIT Identity Provider (IdP) with AD creds
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Globus File Manager (1)

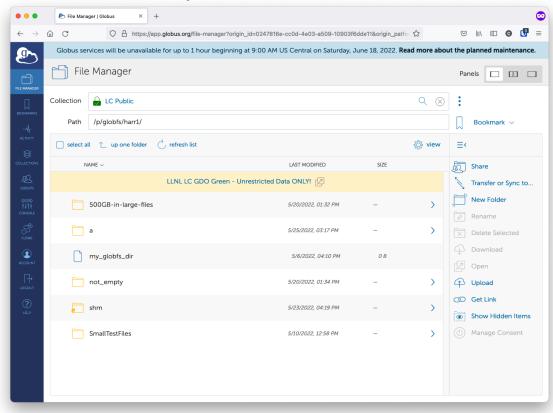
- Globus File Manager is default view
- Browse for Source and Destination Endpoints





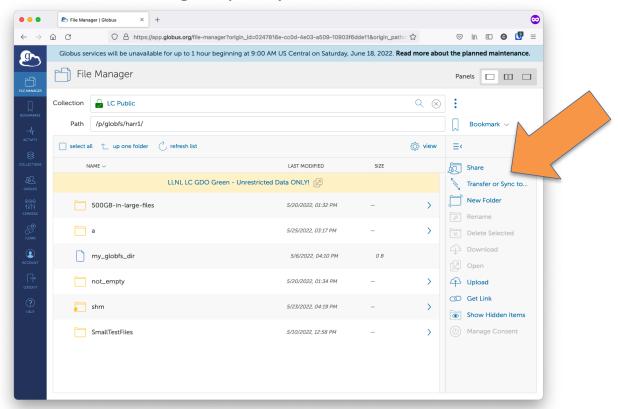
Globus File Manager (2)

- LC Endpoint is LC Public
- Users should be placed in their data share: /p/globfs/<user>



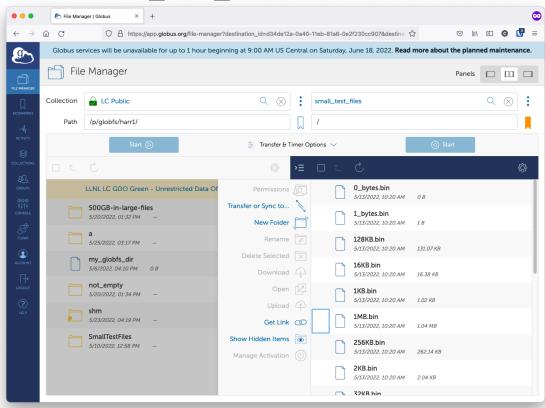
Globus File Manager (3)

- Select operation on right panel:
 - Transfer: transfer files between two endpoints
 - Share: Make a group of your files available to non-LC users



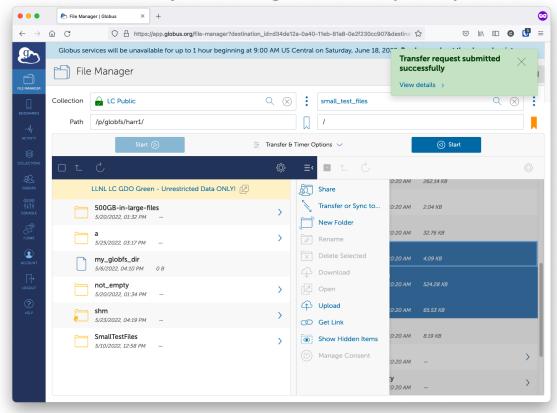
Transferring Files (1)

- Browse to two endpoints after clicking "Transfer or Sync to..."
- Choose "small_test_files" collection



Transferring Files (2)

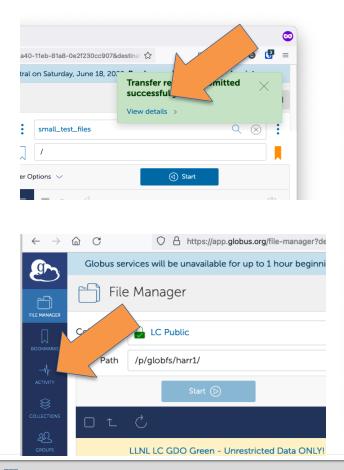
- Select 1 or more files (Shift-click for multiple)
- Click "Start" or just drag and drop to your directory

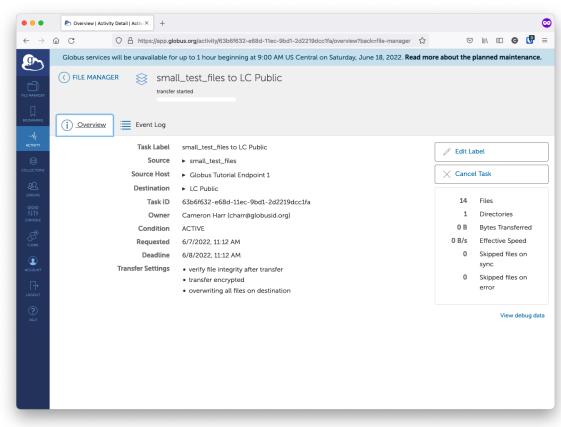




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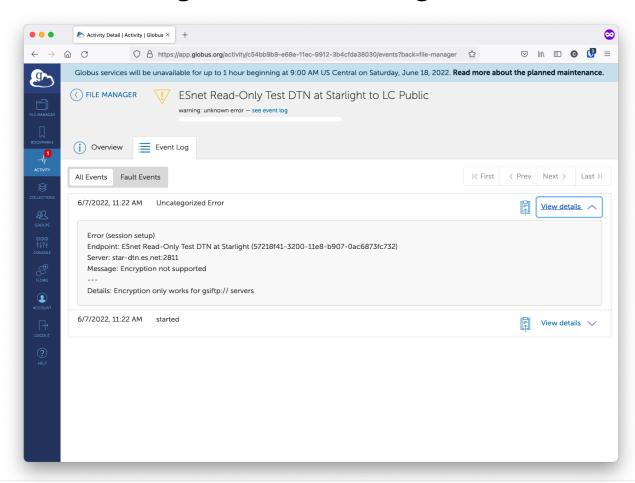
Monitor transfer by clicking on "View Details" or "Activity"





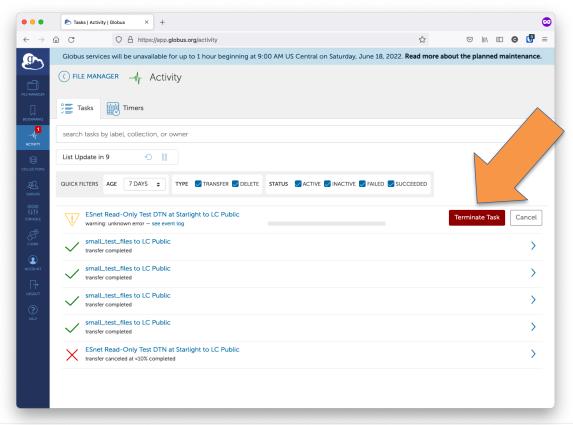
Transferring Files – Failure (1)

Check Event Log for failure messages



Transferring Files – Failure (2)

- Globus will keep retrying transfer
- If transfer will never succeed, "Terminate" the task via "Activity tab

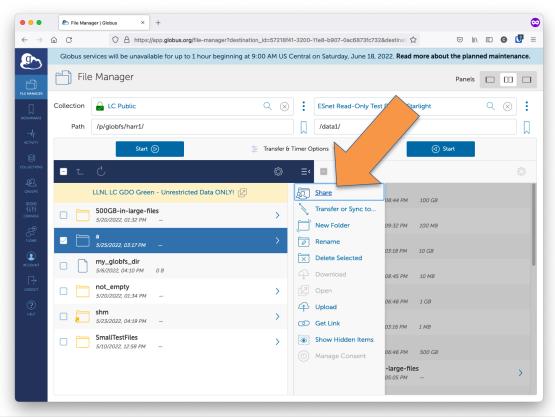


Transferring Files - Troubleshooting

- Errors generally caused by sharing/permissions problems or server problems.
- Users should get email on all transfers signifying Success or Failure.
- 1st step at debugging failure is to look at Event Log
 - Verify they are using an endpoint that supports encryption
 - Note other error messages
- If stumped, or it looks like a server problem, contact LC Hotline

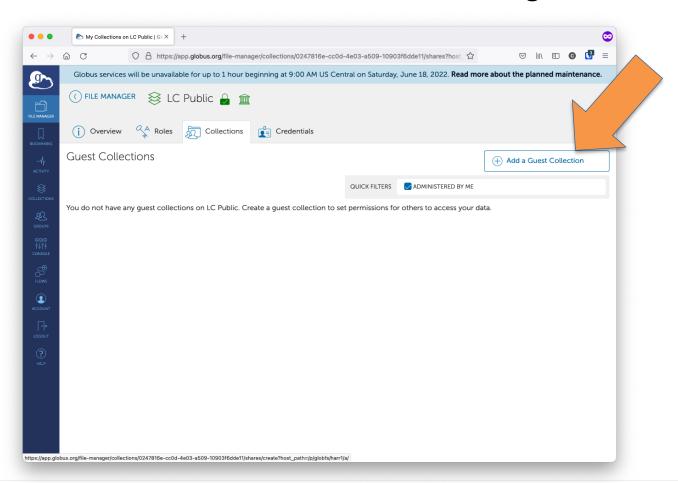
Sharing Files (1)

- Select files to share and click "Share"
- https://docs.globus.org/how-to/share-files/



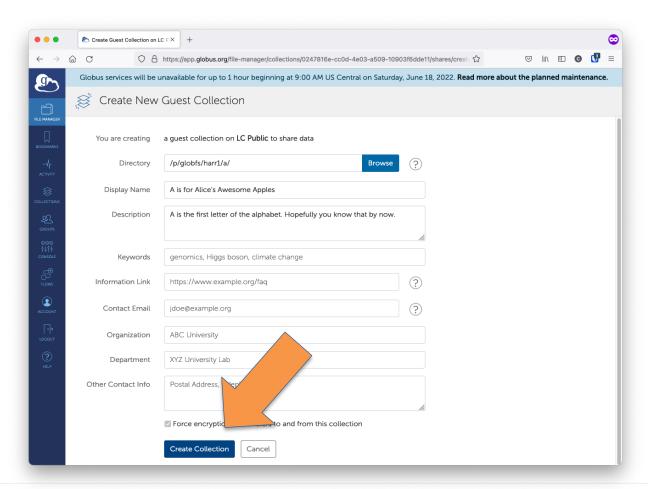
Sharing Files (2)

Create a Guest Collection or add to existing one



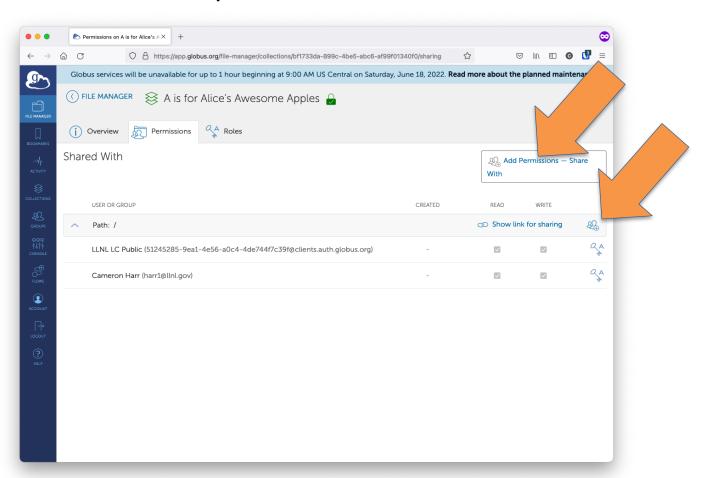
Sharing Files (3)

Fill out relevant fields and click "Create Collection"



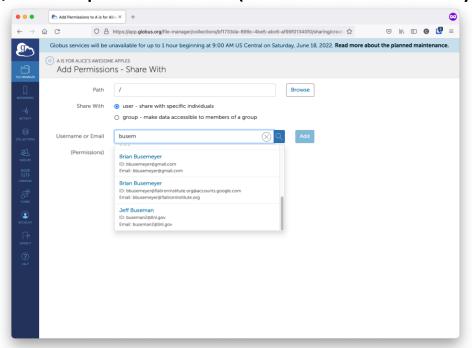
Sharing Files (4)

Add users and set permissions



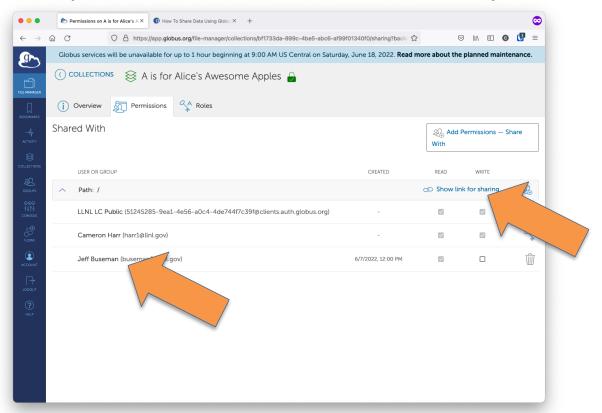
Sharing Files (5)

- Path is relative to the collection you're sharing
 - So "/" == "/p/globfs/harr1/a"
- Username/email auto-matches valid users as you type
- Select Read/Write permissions (default is read-only)



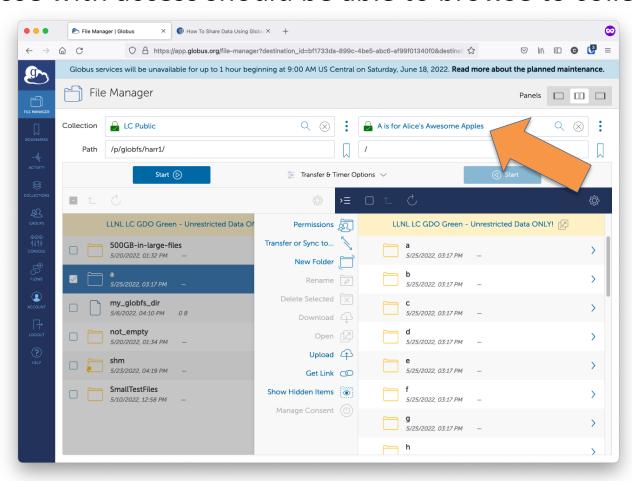
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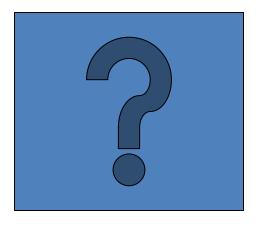
- Verify user(s) show as having access to collection
- Can also provide link to those who already have access



Sharing Files (7)

Those with access should be able to browse to collection





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