

## A VOSpace deployment: interoperability and integration in big infrastructure

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Provide our users with a local data storage and computation infrastructure compliant with a world wide Virtual Observatory vision

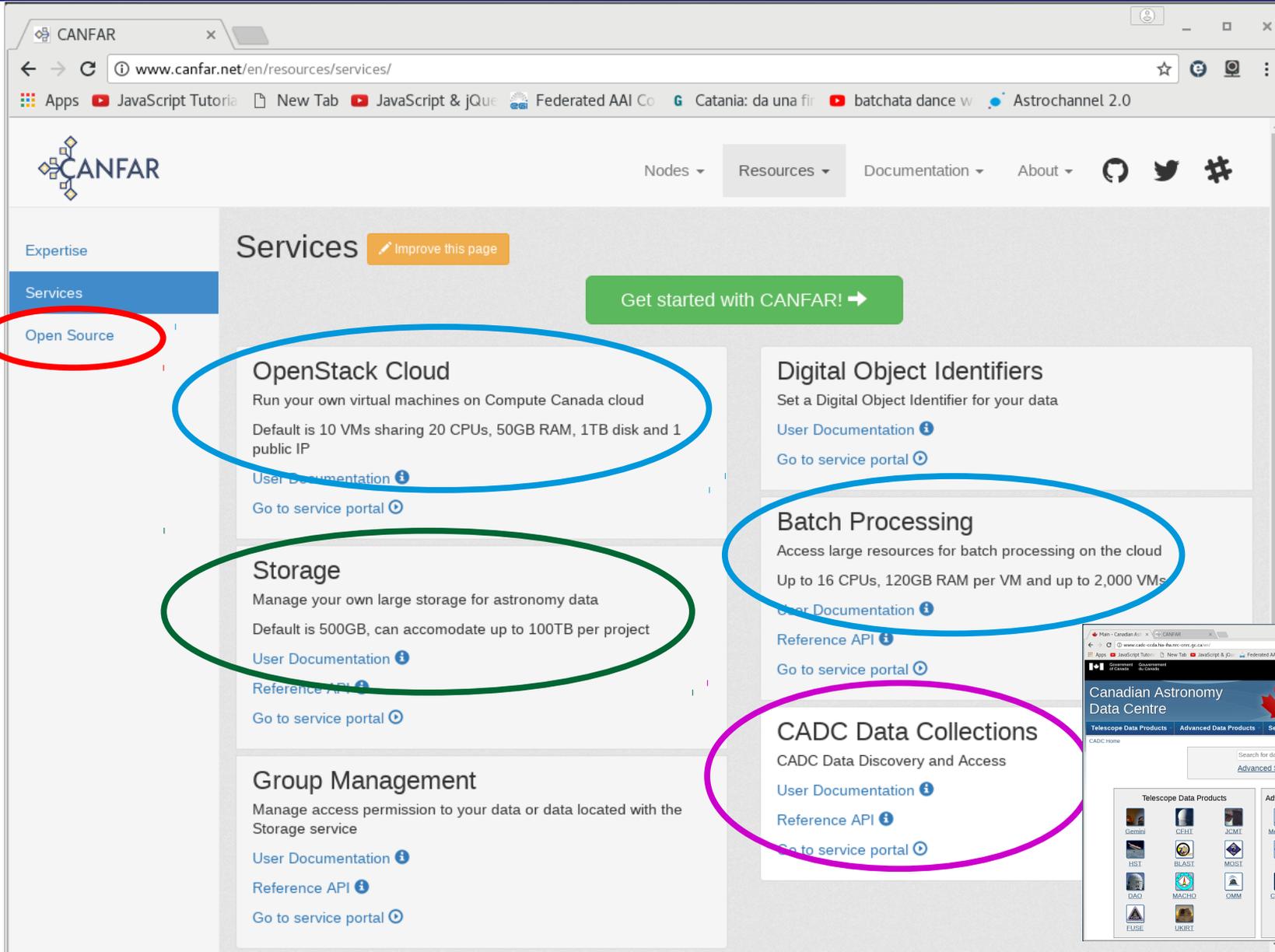
- **astronomical standards based**  
*to be widely accessible especially with astronomical tools*
- **interoperable** with other similar storage services  
*to increase the accessible sets of data*
- **integrated** with other big software infrastructures



CANFAR, the Canadian Advanced Network for Astronomical Research combines:

- the Canadian national research network (CANARIE),
- cloud processing and storage resources (Compute Canada)
- an astronomy data center  
(Canadian Astronomy Data Center – CADDC)
  - hosting a very large data set
  - specialized in data mining, data processing, data distribution and data transferring
  - providing a lot of sophisticated tools to support and enhance the research efforts of Canadian and international astronomers





The screenshot shows the CANFAR website with several services highlighted by colored ovals:

- Open Source** (Red oval): Located in the left-hand navigation menu.
- OpenStack Cloud** (Blue oval): A service for running virtual machines on Compute Canada cloud. Default is 10 VMs sharing 20 CPUs, 50GB RAM, 1TB disk and 1 public IP.
- Storage** (Green oval): A service for managing large storage for astronomy data. Default is 500GB, can accommodate up to 100TB per project.
- Batch Processing** (Blue oval): A service for accessing large resources for batch processing on the cloud. Up to 16 CPUs, 120GB RAM per VM and up to 2,000 VMs.
- CADC Data Collections** (Purple oval): A service for CADC Data Discovery and Access.

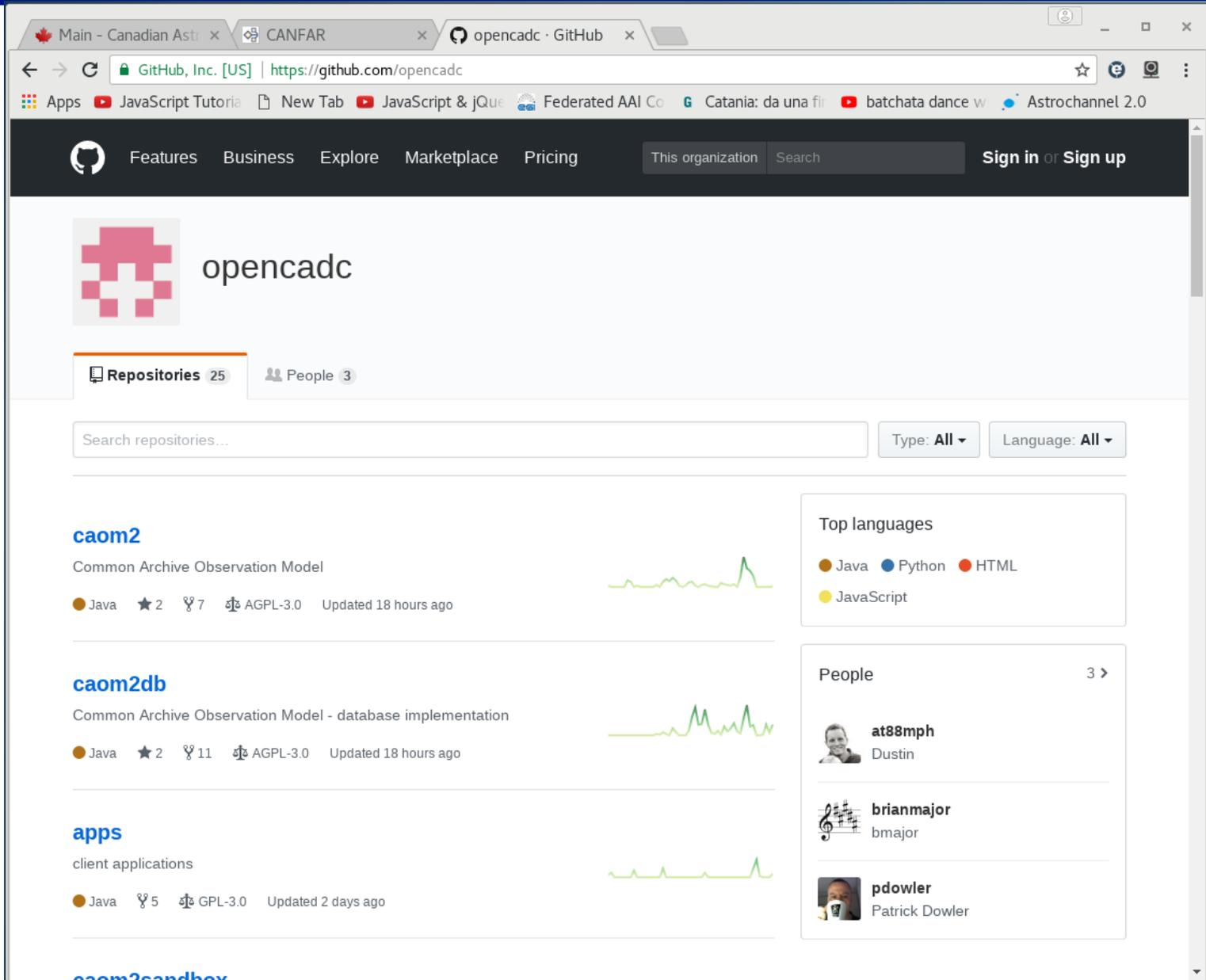
Other visible services include Digital Object Identifiers and Group Management. A green button says "Get started with CANFAR!".



The screenshot shows the Canadian Astronomy Data Centre (CADC) website. It features a search bar with the text "Search for data by target" and a link to "Advanced Search". Below the search bar, there are three columns of data products and services:

- Telescope Data Products:** Gemini, CEHL, JCMT, HST, BLAST, MOST, DAO, MACHO, OMM, EUSE, UNIKET.
- Advanced Data Products:** MegaPipe, HLA, IRIS, CGPS, CFHTLS, WillWolf.
- Services:** Meetings, Community, SSOIS, CANFAR-P, DSS.





The screenshot shows the GitHub page for the 'opencadc' organization. The browser tabs include 'Main - Canadian Ast...', 'CANFAR', and 'opencadc · GitHub'. The address bar shows 'https://github.com/opencadc'. The navigation bar includes 'Features', 'Business', 'Explore', 'Marketplace', 'Pricing', 'This organization', 'Search', and 'Sign in or Sign up'. The organization profile shows a repository count of 25 and 3 members. A search bar is present with filters for 'Type: All' and 'Language: All'. The repository list includes:

- caom2**: Common Archive Observation Model. Java, 2 stars, 7 forks, AGPL-3.0 license, updated 18 hours ago.
- caom2db**: Common Archive Observation Model - database implementation. Java, 2 stars, 11 forks, AGPL-3.0 license, updated 18 hours ago.
- apps**: client applications. Java, 5 forks, GPL-3.0 license, updated 2 days ago.

Additional features shown include 'Top languages' (Java, Python, HTML, JavaScript) and a 'People' section listing members: at88mph (Dustin), brianmajor (bmajor), and pdowler (Patrick Dowler).



➔ <https://github.com/opencadc>

**CADC**

Modules:

- **vos** VOSpace standard implementation
- **ac** Access Control (including GMS)
- **cdp** Credential Delegation Protocol implementation
- **reg** Registry Interface implementation (including VOSI)
- **uws** Universal Worker Service Pattern implementation
- **core** core utilities and logging

➔ IVOA Standards and recommendations  
based  
(<http://ivoa.net/>)



VOSpace recommendation:

“VOSpace is the IVOA interface to distributed storage. It specifies how VO agents and applications can use network attached data stores to persist and exchange data in a standard way.

A VOSpace web service is an access point for a distributed storage network. Through this access point, a client can:

- add or delete data objects in a tree data structure
- manipulate metadata for the data objects
- obtain URIs through which the content of the data objects can be accessed

VOSpace does not define how the data is stored or transferred, only the control messages to gain access. Thus, the VOSpace interface can readily be added to an existing storage system.

When we speak of "a VOSpace", we mean the arrangement of data accessible through one particular VOSpace service.”



## VOSpace:

- VOSpace front-end

<https://github.com/opencadc/vos>

<https://github.com/oats-cadc/oats-vospace-web>

- VOSpace back-end

<https://github.com/oats-cadc/oats-vospace-backend>

<https://github.com/oats-cadc/oats-vospace-backend-web>

- Physical storage

Posix

OpenStack  
Swift

Others

<https://github.com/oats-cadc/oats-vospace-backend-developers-guide>



Access permissions stored in VOSpace database  
VOSpace access policy based on group membership

Access Control Service (<https://github.com/opencadc/ac>)

- Manage users
- Manage groups
- Has info about group memberships
- Manage more user's identities:
  - username/password
  - cookies
  - numeric
  - X.509 certificates



The credential delegation protocol allows a client program to delegate a user's credentials to a service such that the service may make requests of other services in the name of that user.

## Credential Delegation Service

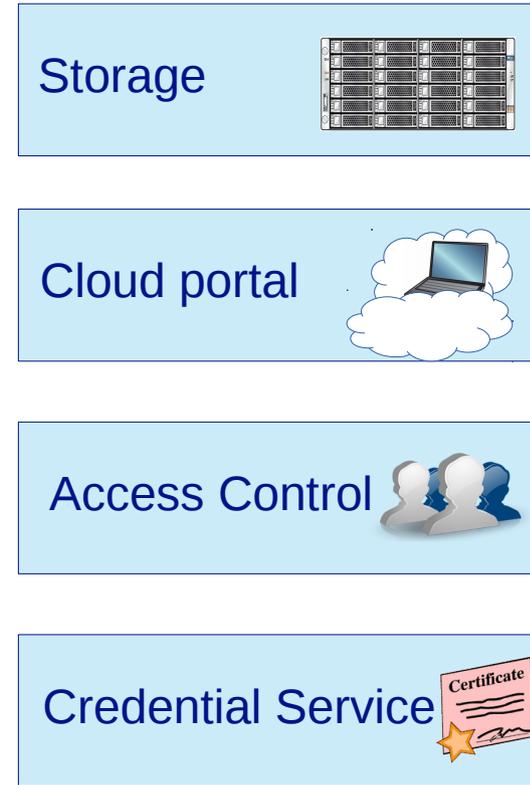
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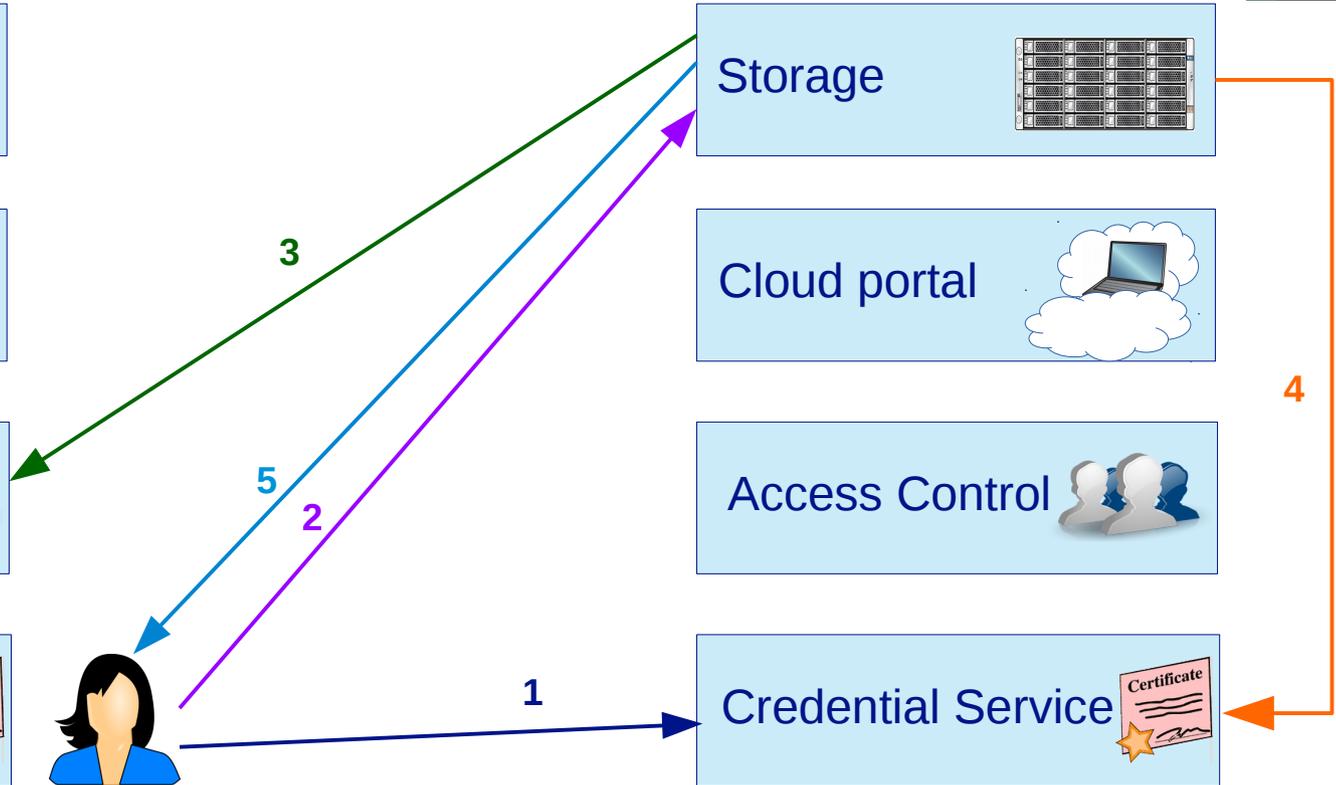
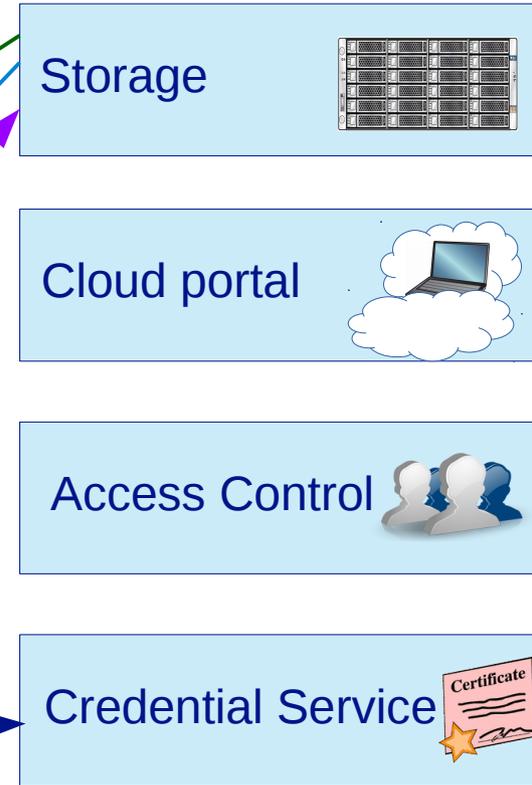




## INAF-OATs

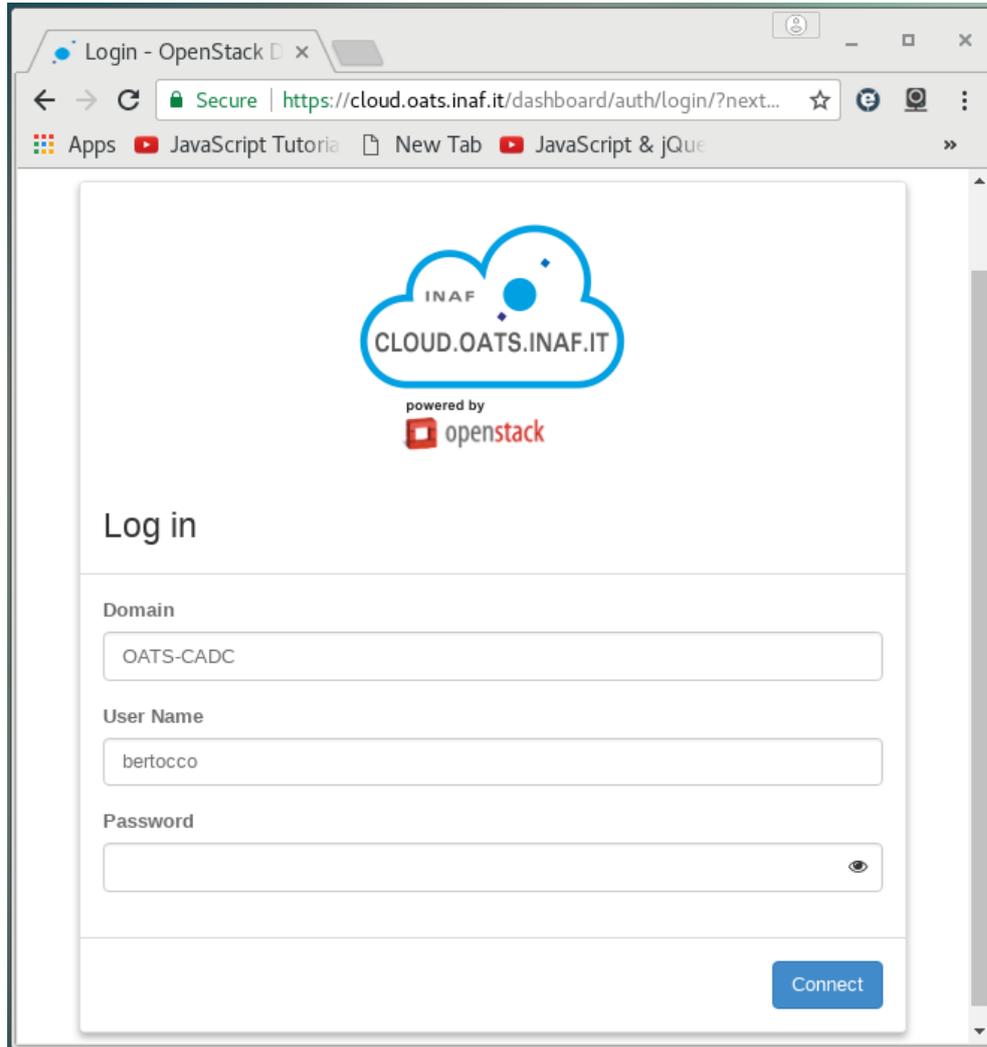


## CANFAR



- 1) INAF-OATs user Bertocco delegates her x509 credentials to CANFAR Credential Service
- 2) user Bertocco asks for data of her INAF-OATs group to CANFAR storage service
- 3) CANFAR storage service checks the group affiliation of the user in the INAF-OATs group management service
- 4) CANFAR storage service gets the user's delegated credentials from the CANFAR Credential Delegation Service to be able to make calls to each other service on behalf of the initial user
- 5) CANFAR storage service returns data to the INAF-OATs user Bertocco





OATs-INAF hosts a cloud site:

- OpenStack Mitaka based
- Storage:
  - 10TB VM storage (cinder)
  - 50 TB user's data storage
- Authentication: Keystone
  - backend Idap
  - Plus keystone-voms module



Cloud Management Framework: **OpenStack**  
(compliant with EGI federated cloud architecture)

**Common Authentication and interoperability:**

◆ Using VOMS-proxy

- Request a cloud authorization token
- Connect to the OpenStack console
- Manage virtual machines
- Authenticate in VOSpace and other IVOA base services

◆ Using username/password

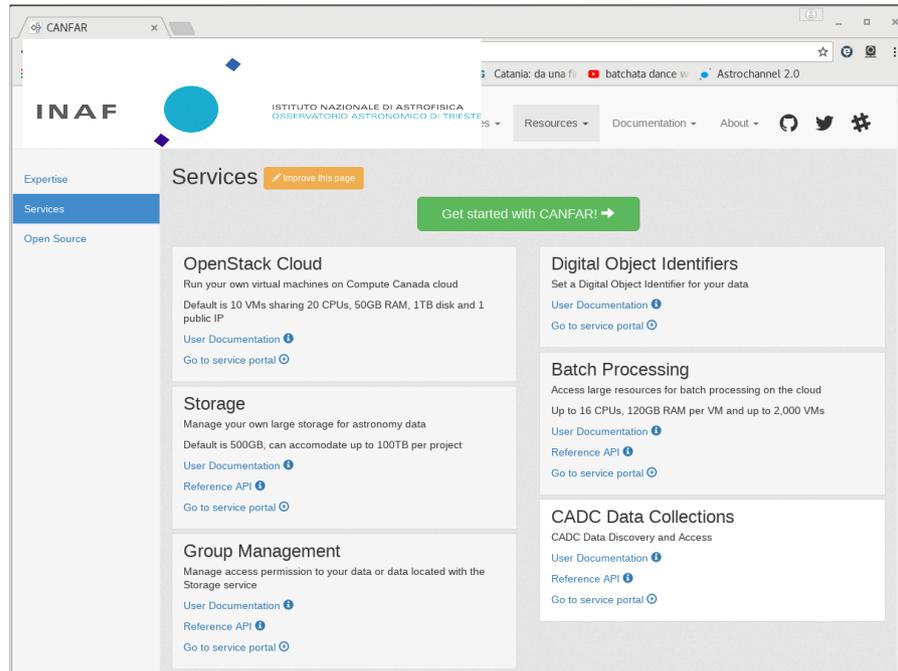
- log-in into VMs
- log-in into OATs cloud portal
- authenticate in VOSpace and other IVOA base services



- Services IVOA recommendation based
  - VOSpace, Access Control and Credential
  - Interoperable with CANFAR Services (VOSpace, Credential Service, Registry)
- Cloud resources
- EGI federation compliant and accessible by EGI users (X.509)
- Cloud access to data stored in VOSpace (both OATs and CANFAR hosted)



- An integrated approach to our services exploitation



- A common authentication (will be provided by EOSC Pilot ?) and authorization model (will it be an IVOA recommendation on group-based auth?)



# Thanks!

