

# Improved usability and support



*Documentation the good, bad, and ugly*

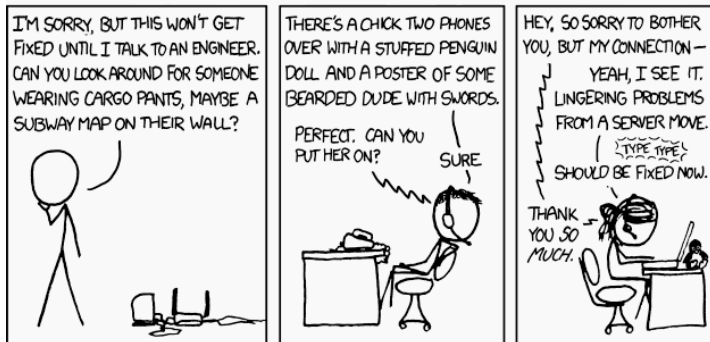
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- Documentation: developers don't write it, and users don't read it.
- Site is sad ☹️
- Wiki is sad ☹️
- Askbot is sad ☹️
- Mailing list is sad ☹️
- User support needs more focus



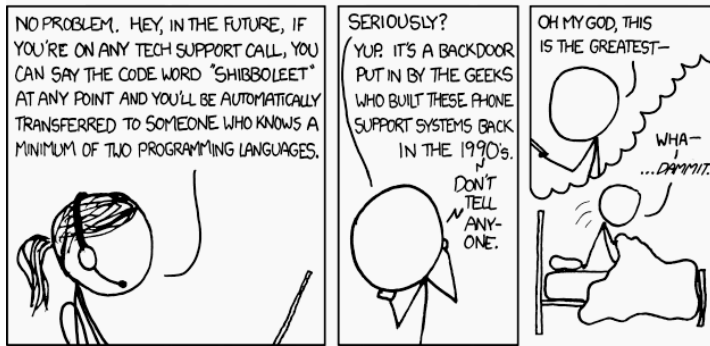
## ESGF Support Working Team

- Looking for a co-lead ([harris112@llnl.gov](mailto:harris112@llnl.gov))
- Will be setting up a weekly phone meeting



## Define Goals and Purpose

- Define term "User"
- Who are our Power Users?
- Gather input and feedback



# ASKBOT

- <http://askbot-esgf.llnl.gov>
  - Good feedback
- Requires our users to understand their role
  - Developer, Publisher, SysAdmin, Researcher...



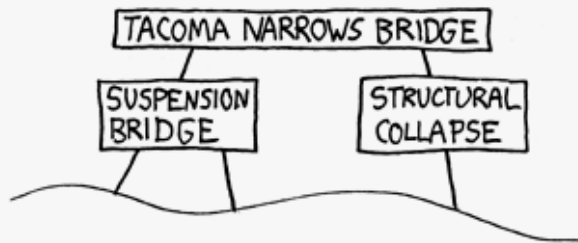
# Mailing List Archives

- Creating a bot subscribed to the lists to start archiving.
- Collecting old emails we all have been saving and storing.
- Create or find a web interface / searchable application (Google indexing is a must)

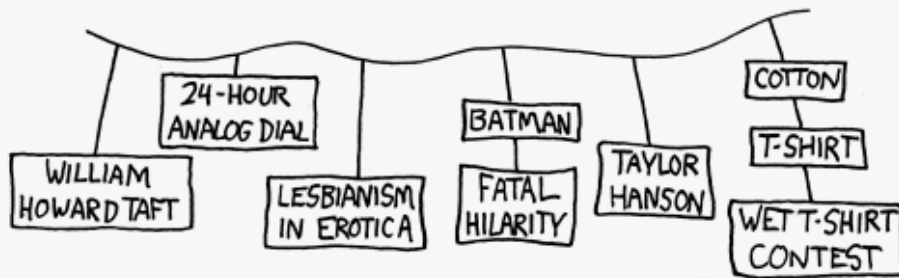


# Wikis

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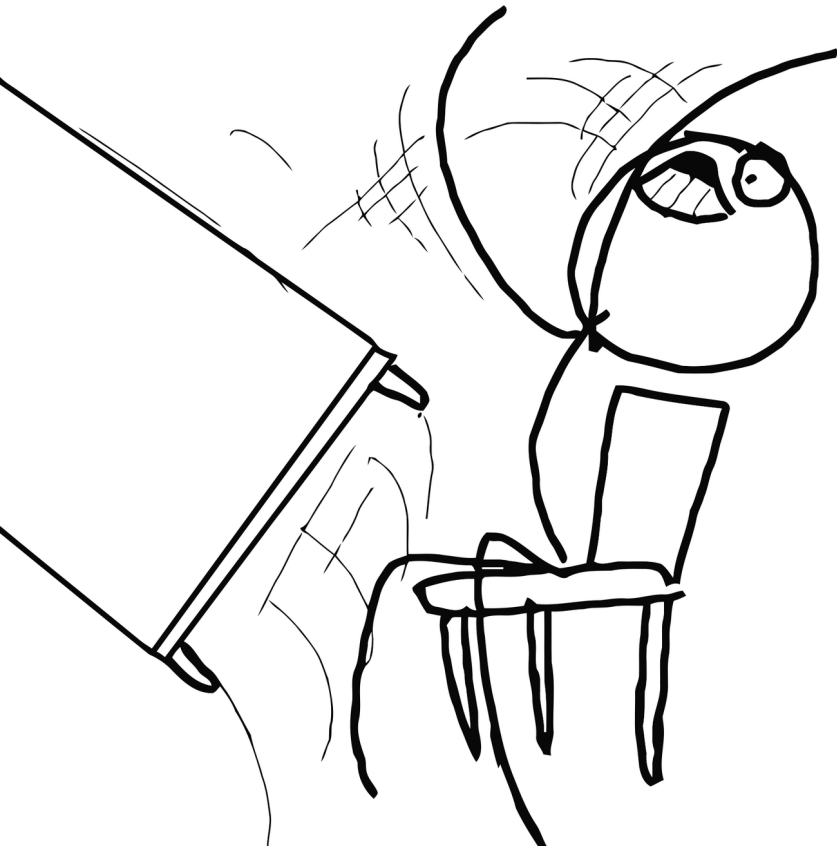


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FASCINATED CLICKING]



- <https://github.com/ESGF/esgf.github.io/wiki>
- Out of date / not well maintained
- Github has been an improvement
  - (from my point of view)
- Content Management System?
  - We left Moin Moin.
- Confluence?

# Face to Face Thus Far



## ➤ Documentation

➤ <https://github.com/ESGF/esgf.github.io/blob/master/README.md>

## ➤ Installing

➤ <https://github.com/ESGF/esgf-installer/wiki>

➤ Workshops?

## ➤ Uptime

➤ Better communication

➤ Email list?

➤ Website banners?

➤ Node banners?

# Links

## ➤ Mailing Lists

- [esgf-user@lists.llnl.gov](mailto:esgf-user@lists.llnl.gov)
- [esgf-devel@lists.llnl.gov](mailto:esgf-devel@lists.llnl.gov)

## ➤ Website

- <http://esgf.llnl.gov>

## ➤ Wikis

- General: <https://github.com/ESGF/esgf.github.io/wiki>
- Installer: <https://github.com/ESGF/esgf-installer/wiki>
- drslib: <https://github.com/ESGF/esgf-drslib/wiki>
- Search: <https://github.com/ESGF/esg-search/wiki>
- Dashboard: <https://github.com/ESGF/esgf-dashboard/wiki>

## ➤ Document Links

- <https://github.com/ESGF/esgf.github.io/blob/master/README.md>