



Introduction to Grid Application Development

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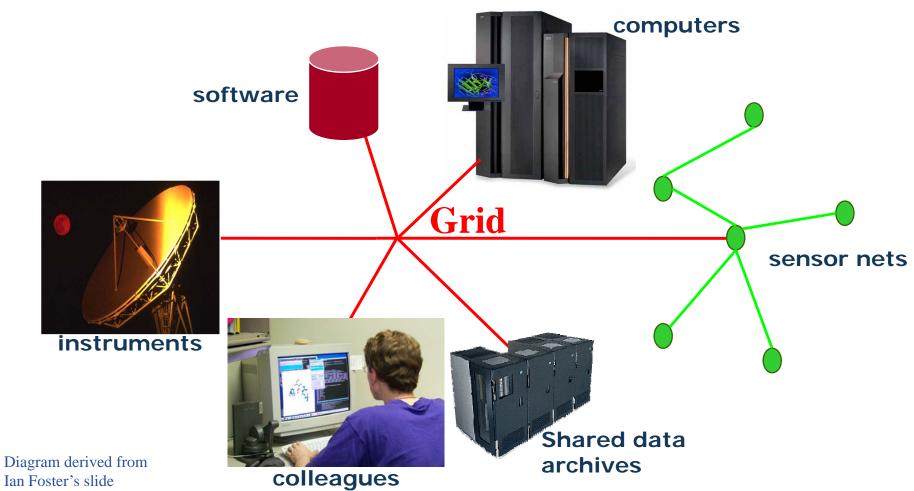


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- Enabling a whole-system approach
- Collaborative research / engineering / public service ...





- I need resources for my research
 - I need richer functionality
 - MPI, parametric sweeps,...
 - Data and compute services together...
- I provide an application for (y)our research
 - How!?
 - Pre-install executables ?
 - Hosting environment?
 - Share data
 - Use it via portal?
- We provide applications for (y)our research
 - Also need:
 - Coordination of development
 - Standards
 - ...

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Consequences

- Team work!
- Engaged in world-wide initiatives reuse, don't make your own! Cross disciplines for solutions.
- From research to production software: ~5 times the effort.
 - "80% of the time for last 10% of the functionality & reliability"
- Standardisation is key
 - For re-use, for dynamic configuration of services,...
 - Both for middleware and domain specific (e.g. GEON)
- Need to follow a deliberate development process
 - Waterfall? Rapid prototyping?
 - Requirements engineering, design, implementation, validation, deployment
 - Engaged with the user community





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Complexities of grid applications

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- 1. Simple jobs submitted to WMS to run in batch mode
- 2. Job invokes grid services
 - To read & write files on SE
 - Monitoring
 - For outbound connectivity (interactive jobs)
 - To manage metadata
 - ...

3. Complex jobs

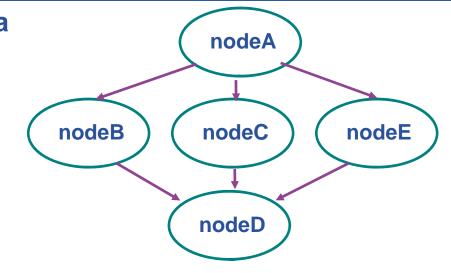
- An environment controls multiple jobs on users' behalf

 - >> Portals with workflow
 - Software written for the VO (or by the user)
 - **X** ...



Complex Workflows

- Direct Acyclic Graph (DAG) is a set of jobs where the input, output, or execution of one or more jobs depends on one or more other jobs
- A Collection is a group of jobs with no dependencies
 - basically a collection of JDL's



- A Parametric job is a job having one or more attributes in the JDL that vary their values according to parameters
- Using compound jobs it is possible to have one shot submission of a (possibly very large, up to thousands) group of jobs
 - Submission time reduction
 - Single call to WMProxy server
 - Single Authentication and Authorization process
 - Sharing of files between jobs
 - Availability of both a single Job Id to manage the group as a whole and an Id for each single job in the group





Command Line Grid Programming

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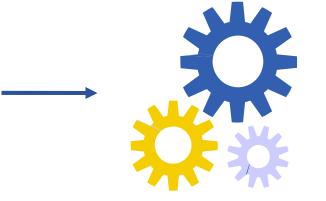


Application definition

Image Compression



original image



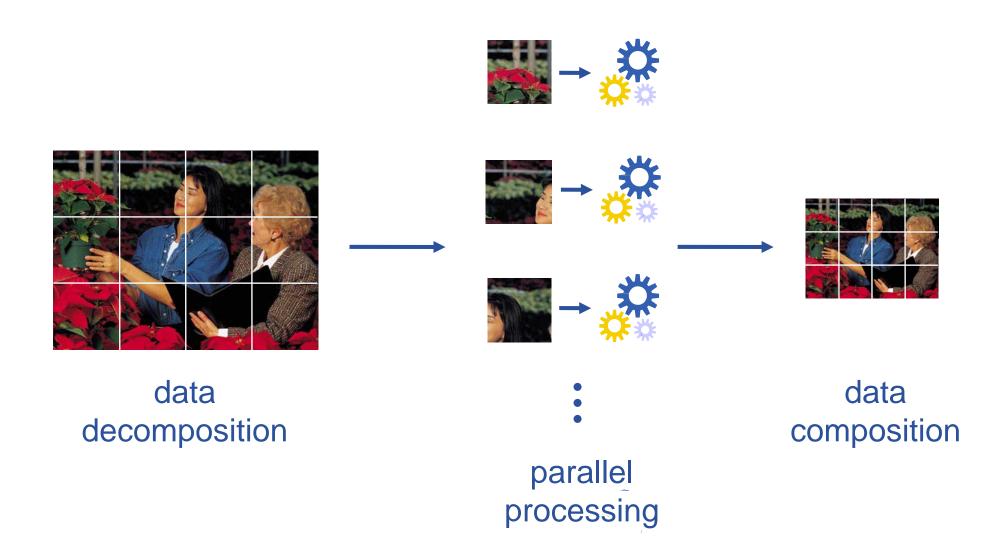
compression algorithm



compressed image



Application parallelization

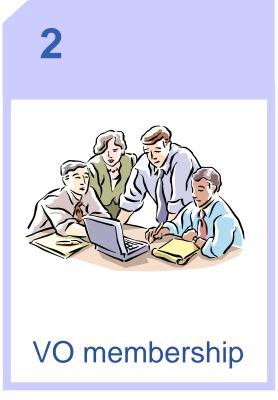


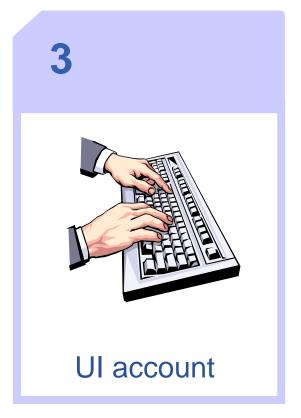


Programming prerequisites

You must already have...









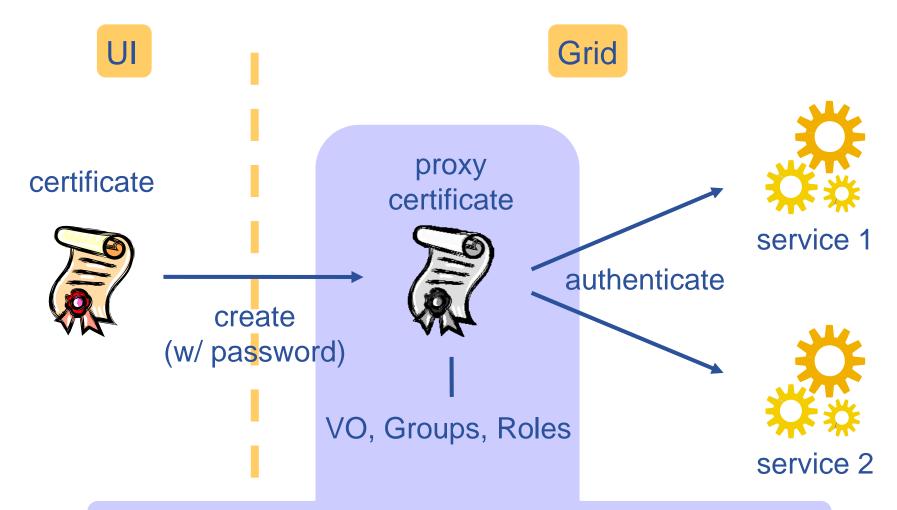


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Authentication

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Virtual Organization Membership Service (VOMS)



VOMS commands

Command	Description
(voms-proxy-)	
init	Creates VOMS proxy
info	Prints VOMS proxy information
destroy	Destroys VOMS proxy
list	Lists VOMS server attributes

- gLite 3.0 User's Guide
- VOMS Core Services User's Guide



VOMS example

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Contact VOMS server and create proxy certificate

> voms-proxy-init -voms=hgdemo

Check proxy certificate

> voms-proxy-info -all

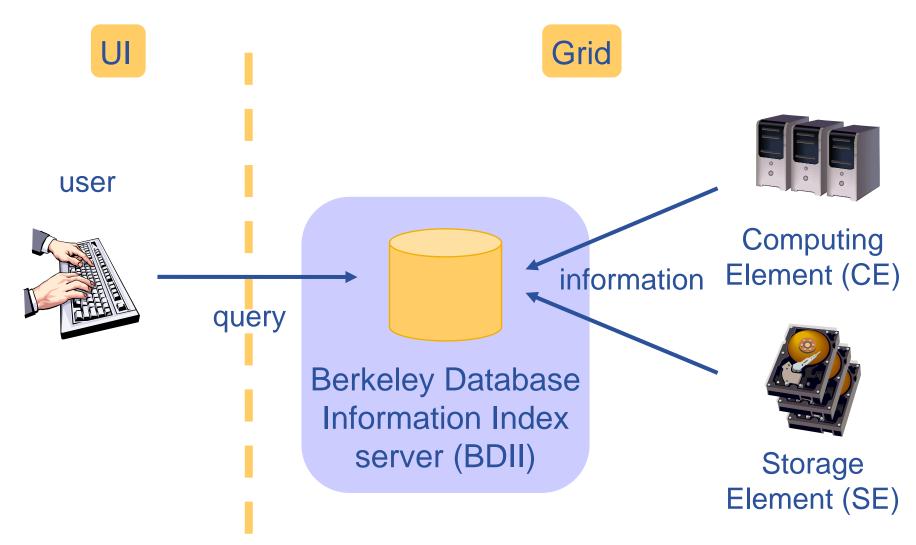




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Information service





Information service command

Command	Description
lcg-infosites	Prints Grid service information
Attributes	
VO	VO name (mandatory)
is	BDII server name



lcg-infosites options

Options	Description
се	Prints CE names
se	Prints SE names
closeSE	Prints CE and "close" SE names
all	Prints CE and SE names
lfc	Prints File Catalog (LFC) name

- gLite 3.0 User's Guide
- lcg-infosites -help



lcg-infosites example

Get CE and SE names for VO

> lcg-infosites --vo hgdemo all

Get LFC name for VO

> lcg-infosites --vo hgdemo lfc

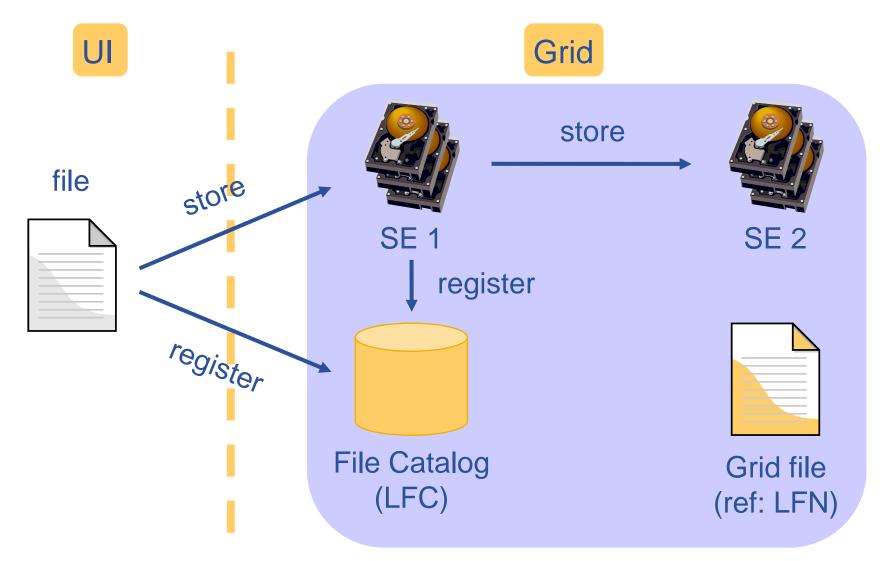




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Command (lcg-)	Description
ср	Copies file from Grid to UI
cr	Copies file from UI to Grid
rep	Creates replica of file
Ir	Lists replicas of file
del	Deletes file (and replicas)

- gLite 3.0 User's Guide
- lcg-utils man pages

lcg-utils example

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Upload data (sub-images) to Grid

```
> lcg-cr --vo hgdemo -l lfn:/grid/hgdemo/subimg1
file:/users/johndoe/subimg1
```

```
> lcg-cr --vo hgdemo -l lfn:/grid/hgdemo/subimg2
  file:/users/johndoe/subimg2
[...]
```

Locate data (sub-image1)

> lcg-lr --vo hgdemo lfn:/grid/hgdemo/subimg1

Replicate data (sub-image1) to specific SE

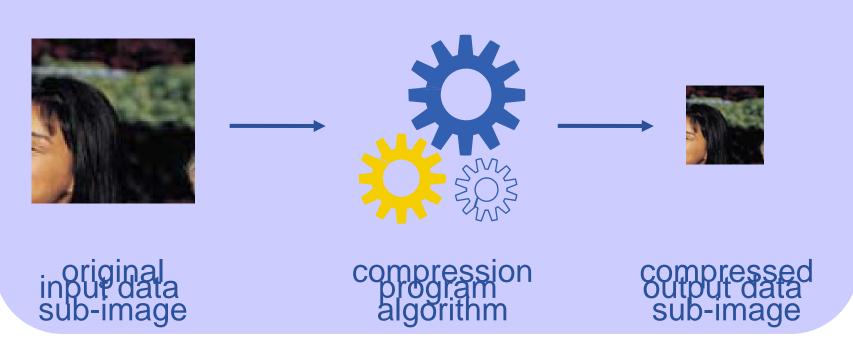
> lcg-rep --vo hgdemo -d se01.ariagni.hellasgrid.gr
lfn: /grid/hgdemo/subimg1





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Job Description Language (JDL)





JDL attributes (1/2)

Attribute	Description
Executable	Program to run on Grid
Arguments	Arguments of program
InputSandbox	Files to copy from UI to Grid
StdOutput	File to save program stdout
StdError	File to save program stderr
OutputSandbox	Files to copy from Grid to UI



JDL attributes (2/2)

Attribute	Description
DataRequirements	
InputData	Grid files needed by program
DataCatalogType	Type of catalog referencing Grid files
DataAccessProtocol	Protocol for accessing Grid files
Requirements	Program resource requirements

- gLite 3.0 User's Guide
- JDL Attributes Specification





```
Type = "job";
JobType = "normal";
RetryCount = 0;
ShallowRetryCount = 3;
Executable = "compress hgdemo.sh";
Arguments = "lfn:/grid/hgdemo/egee01/subimg1
lfn:/grid/hgdemo/egee01/subimg1jpg";
InputSandbox =
 {"file:///home/training/egee01/tutorial/compress hgdemo.sh"};
StdOutput = "std.out";
StdError = "std.err";
OutputSandbox = {"std.out", "std.err"};
DataRequirements = {
        [InputData = {"lfn:/grid/hgdemo/egee01/subimg1",
                      "lfn:/grid/hgdemo/egee01/compressipeg"};
         DataCatalogType = "DLI";]
DataAccessProtocol = { "qsiftp", "https" };
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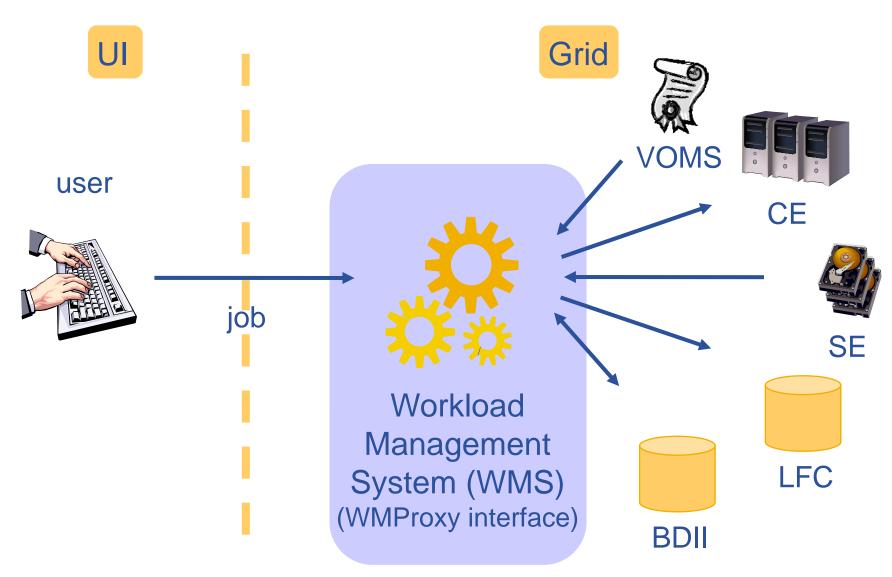




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Job execution





Job management commands

Command (glite-wms-job-)	Description
delegate-proxy	Delegates VOMS proxy to WMProxy
submit	Submits a job
cancel	Cancels a submitted job
output	Copies OutputSandbox to UI
glite-job-status	Prints submitted job status

- gLite 3.0 User's Guide
- WMProxy Service User's Guide

Job management example

Submit job and save job id (automatic delegation)

> glite-wms-job-submit -a -o job_id
compress simple.jdl

Check job status

> glite-job-status -i job_id

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Get job output when done

> glite-wms-job-output -i job id





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- Parallelize application
- Authenticate with VOMS
- Get information with lcg-infosites
- Upload data with lcg-utils
- Describe application with JDL
- Execute application with glite-wms-job-*

The Grid is fast, simple, and free. So, use it!





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http://wiki.egeesee.org/index.php/Programming _from_the_Command_Line

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