



Status & Strategy for gLite multi-platform Support

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Enabling Grids for E-sciencE

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ia32	SuSE	9	apt	3/3	28/28	2/2	14/14	15/15	45/45	17/17	20/20	106/106	312/365	3/3
	CentOS	5	yum	1/1	24/24	2/2	9/9	10/15	24/45	0/17	0/19	63/99	226/368	3/3
	Solaris	10	pkg/tarball	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
x86 64	CentOS	4	yum	1/1	5/16	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
X80_04	SuSE	9	apt	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	Mac OS X	10.4	fink/tarball	2/2	17/23	N/A	8/9	1/15	36/46	0/17	11/29	42/61	182/361	N/A
powerpc	Mac OS X	10.3	fink/tarball	2/2	18/23	N/A	8/9	1/15	36/46	0/17	11/29	44/62	186/354	N/A
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SA3 All Hands Meeting (Dec '07)

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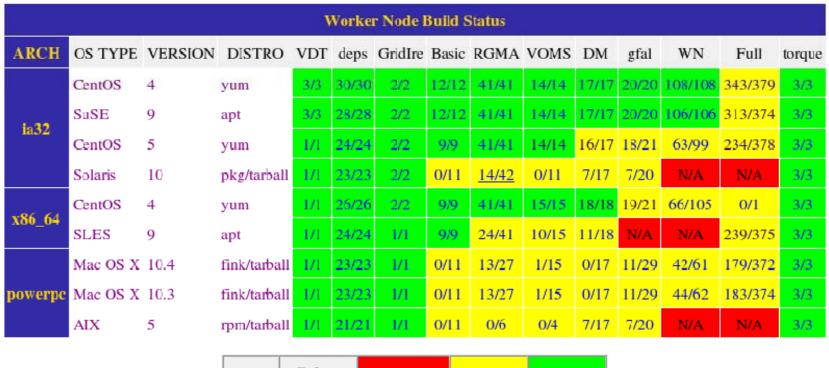
ETICS is now platform independent!



Current Status (Jan '08)

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Yum/Apt Repositories for WNs

Enabling Grids for E-sciencE

Two working repositories (ignore sl3):

http://grid.ie/distribution/glite/R3.1/glite-WN/suse9

http://grid.ie/distribution/glite/R3.1/glite-WN/centos4

Also available Torque clients:

glite/R3.1/glite-TORQUE_client/suse9

glite/R3.1/glite-TORQUE_client/centos4

These are constantly upgraded, currently version: 3.1.0-6



Revised SuSE differences

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Package Name and Version

Reason for RPM changes

boost | 1.32.0-6 CGSI gSOAP 2.6|1.1.15-6 glite-data-catalog-api-c|2.0.0-7 glite-data-catalog-cli|1.7.4-1 glite-data-srm-api-c|1.1.0-9 glite-data-srm-api-perl|1.1.0-3 glite-data-srm-cli|1.2.8-5 glite-data-transfer-api-c|3.3.0-4 glite-data-transfer-api-perl|3.3.0-1 glite-data-transfer-cli|3.4.2-2 glite-data-delegation-cli|2.0.0-4 glite-data-delegation-api-c|2.0.0-4 glite-data-util-c|1.2.3-1 glite-lb-client|2.3.4-1 glite-lb-common|5.1.2-2 glite-wms-common|3.1.17-1 perl-SOAP-Litel0.65.6-1

Boost not available in OS

dm-util requires this, whereas srm/transfer require 2.7

glite packager: Missing ext.axis.version Missing ext.axis.version glite packager: glite packager: Missing ext.axis.version glite packager: Missing ext.axis.version

Needed by newer glite-data-transfer-cli Needed by newer glite-data-transfer-cli

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Needs glite-lb-common (newer version)

Missing a -p in mkdir \${REPORTS}

3.1.13 configuration is missing Use /usr/bin/env for portability







Debian Porting

Debian x86_64 (PSNC, Poland)

- Dependency are being generated but not debs packages.
- Building tarballs only for the moment.
- ETICS Client version 1.3.2-1 must be used to obtain -- ignorelocking with --merge and --nocache.

Ubuntu 7 (HPCN, Sweden)

- Åke (Ubuntu port) has built 85% of the gLite middleware but has not tested it.
- Åke wants to see personalised views of the web interface which we suggested at EGEE '07.
- Work will continue on this in March 2008.



Porting Guide

Use the porting guide:

https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/EGEE/EGEEPortingGuide

10 step guide covering building of:

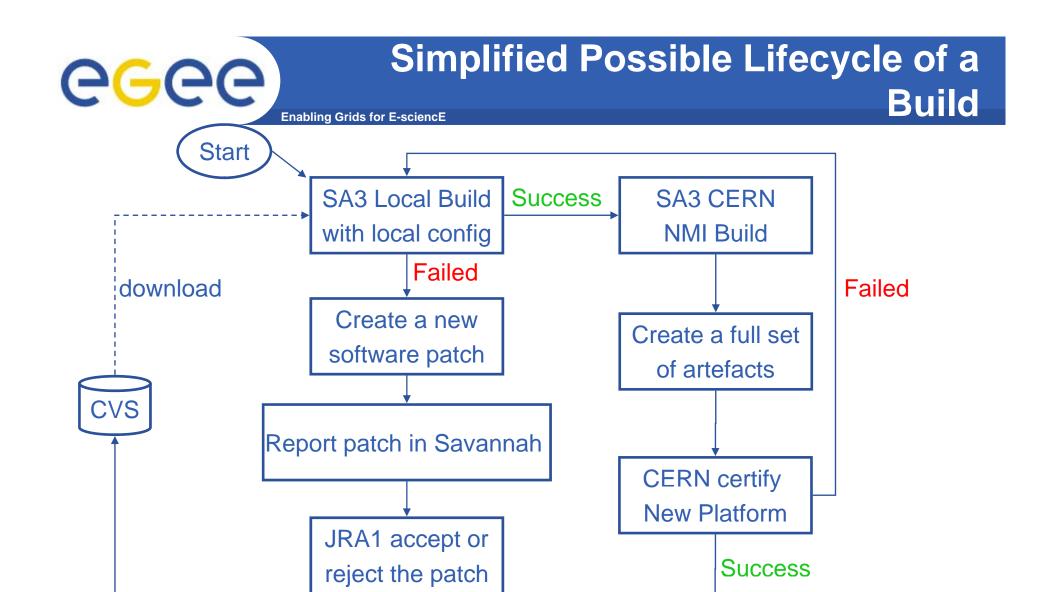
ETICS, globus, dependencies, Base Modules, RGMA,
VOMS, DM/GFAL and the WN meta-package



Looking Towards EGEE III

- Multi-platform Building Infrastructure
 - Controlled distributed structure
 - Scalable (with Condor?)
 - Sustainable (many platforms)
- Multi-platform Patching Lifecycle
 - Fast
 - Efficient
 - Reproducable

- Multi-platform Certification Infrastructure
 - Sustainable (Yaim + package management issues)
 - Reliable (who does the certification?)



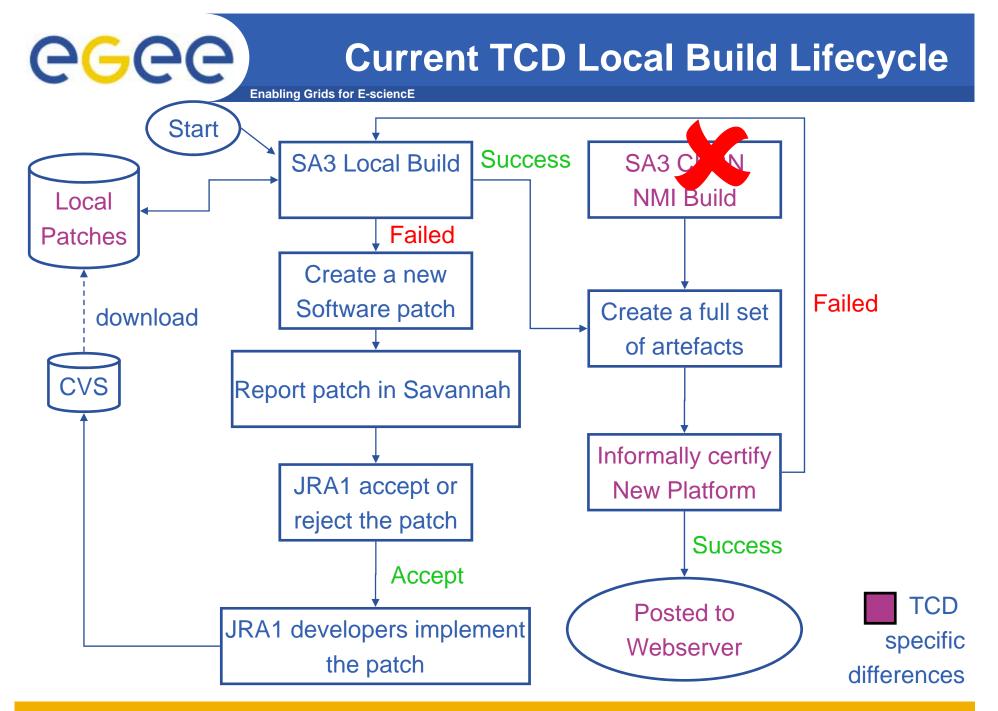
Accept

JRA1 developers implement

the patch

Add Platform

to Distribution



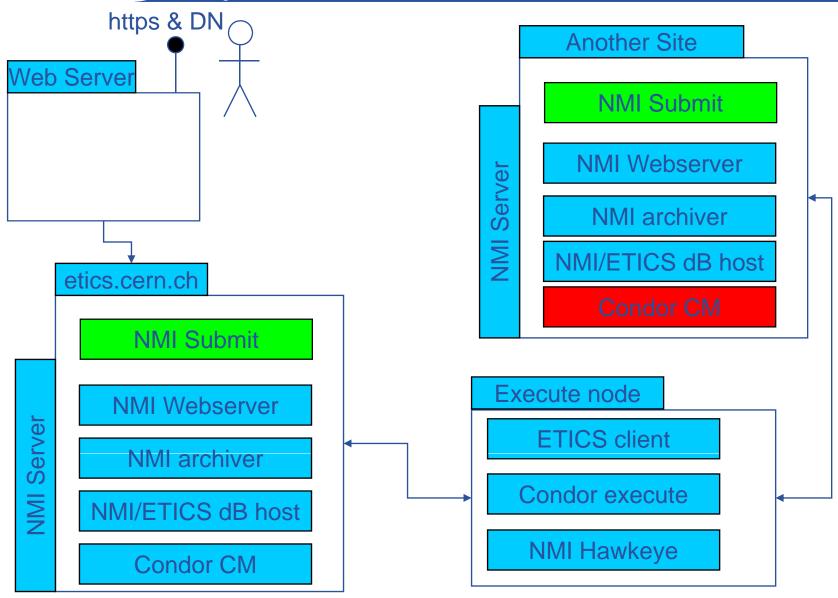


Questions to Consider

- How do we speed up the patching process?
- How do local sites allow experimental local builds and CERN NMI builds on the one machine?
- Who will certify the new platform? CERN or the local site?
- Who does the Yaim development?
- If the patching process and certification process are long, how do you ever get the new platform into step with the supported JRA1 platforms?

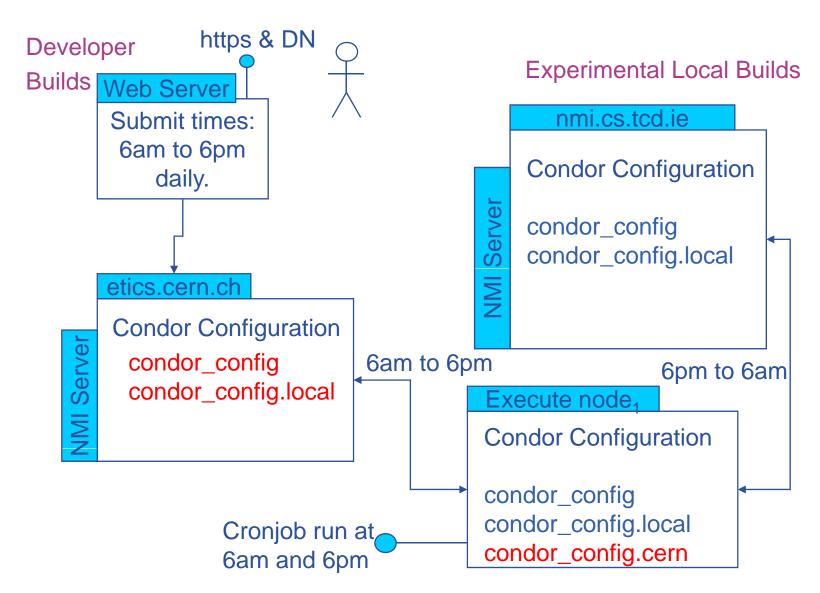


Distributed Building Infrastructure





TCD NMI Attempt





Distributed Build Infrastructure

- Multiple Condor Managers could be an issue.
- Resources controlled by CERN (CERN-centric view), all logging recorded in CERNs central manager.
- Condor was designed for local open networks.
- Complicated firewall rules and NATed sites should be provided while retaining robustness and scalability.
- Solving the above issues is solving a problem already solved by the Grid!



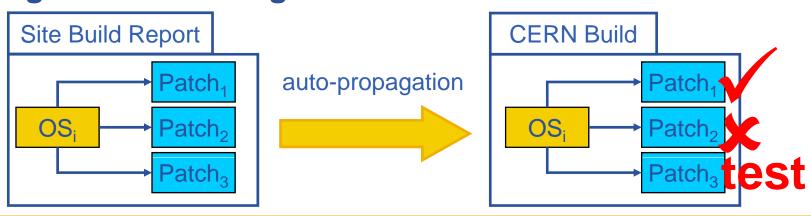
Infrastructure Considerations

- Eventually with the introduction of NGIs we need opensource code that is easy to build by anyone.
- We need to respect the security restrictions of a site.
- Condor allows for heterogeneous job submit. NMI provides the hooks for Condor. Putting the Grid in the middle could be a good move.



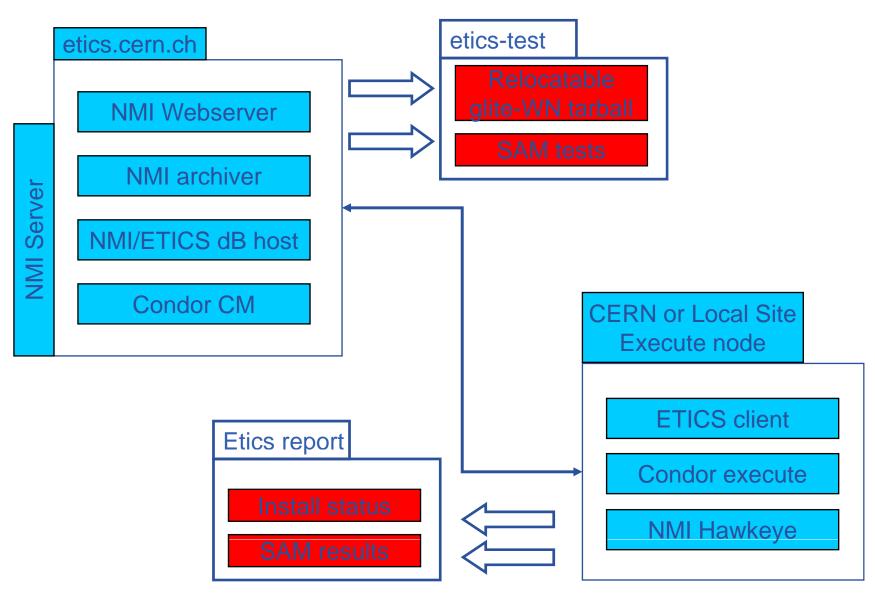
Future of Patching on Multiple Platforms

- Each system introduces more configuration & packaging for the developers.
- Yaim needs to be partially rewritten for each OS (possibly).
- Patches from other sites needs to be automatically reported to the developers and be reproducible.
- A good reporting mechanism needs to be in place for managing the inclusion of these patches. Savannah isn't great for tracking such issues.





Possible Certification on Multiple Platforms





Conclusions and Future Work

- Debian is the top priority at the moment.
- ETICS is stabilising, going towards user porting views.
- Helping PSNC with Debian x86_64 will automatically help Debian x86 at CERN.
- NMI testing starting at TCD.
- TCD will have CentOS 5.1 gLite-WN built soon. Will be deployed at one site in Ireland (most likely).
- (SA3 list → JRA1 subset build) generator is being designed by TCD for gLite-WNs. Needs some formal reasoning.
- A gLite-WN diff build will also be defined by TCD. This will analyse existing repositories to deduce the minimum subset to build.
- A stable non-intrusive ETICS/NMI infrastructure with automatic patch reporting, per platform user views and automatic certification processes will greatly help the effort in EGEE III and well on into the future.
- Eventually ETICS submit should be set up at local sites with a local ETICS dB/repository and some form of mirroring.