Connecting Large Industry to EGEE Grid

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About GridwiseTech



Our services:

vendor-independent consulting and comprehensive technical assistance in Grid computing solutions.







Our references:

- major academic Grid projects: Globus, NEESgrid, CrossGrid, Virolab...
- ◆commercial clients: BP, Turner Broadcasting, Philips, TRW, SAIC, Combinenet, Univa...
- nonprofit/government grids: MCNC,U.S. Geological Survey

Active in the City Active in EGEE



- GridwiseTech HQ is located in Krakow, Poland the major IT hub of Central Europe
- In 2006, we were named the Innovator of Malopolska (Krakow metro area). Special award for deploying scientific result in industry
- EGEE management asked us to provide EGEErelated trainings to industry - service currently available
- EGEE-related packages: Portal Integration Kit

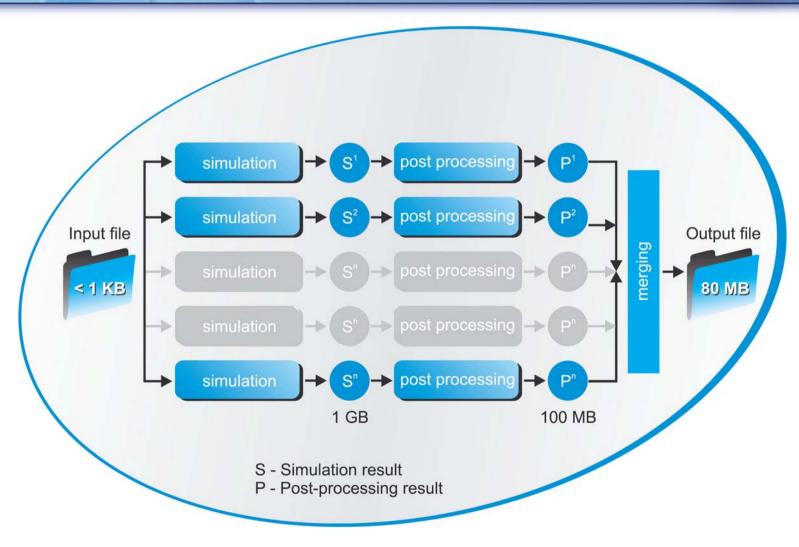
 available for commercial use (recently used in EUChinaGRID)

The Industry Application gridwise tech

- Client: large corporation making it's first steps in grid technologies
- Task: designing high-end medical equipment characterized by extremely high manufacturing costs and short production lines, used only in top class medical centres
- **Goal:** research for optimizing the simulation process: shorten simulation time in design cycle iteration, increase design quality without increasing IT infrastructure cost
- Solution: hook up to external grid resources

Application Workflow





Third Party Resources



- Sun Grid Compute Utility
- IBM Deep Computing Capacity On-Demand
- Gateway Grid
- EGEE/LCG Infrastructure
- ... and many more, we are in contact with several medium size providers

Using EGEE Infrastructure: gridwise Strong Points tech

- 1. Middleware tested in large scale
- 2. Client's cooperation with academia resource providers
- Available expertise, user- and operator-level guides
- 4. Reasonable security level
- Possibility to integrate internal and external resources
- 6. Local to European businesses
- 7. Large amount of resources accessible (potentially)

Using EGEE Infrastructure: gridwise Weak Points

- 1. Unclear status of using network and academia resources by commercial partners
- 2. Centralised procedure for VO registration
- 3.API support is not maintained satisfactory
- 4.LCG to gLite transformation
- 5. Lack of application level tools (portals, jobs managers) available for commerce

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Solution Characteristics gridwise



- Two tiers:
 - EGEE/LCG API portal enabling kit, support for workflows and data management; now commercially available
 - Application-centric portal hides grid from users
- Integration of client's internal and external compute environment
 - VO creation was done based on direct agreements with several EGEE sites

Advantages for the customer



- Research process resulting in better environment for the application:
 - Design cycle iteration shortened months to hours
- Additional on-demand capacity available without extra hardware expenses
- No grid knowledge required from user

Summary



- GridwiseTech is independent expert in Grid technologies.
- Large corporation connected to EGEE Grid.
- Benefits for customer: save cost and radically beat competition in time-to-market; on-demand resources speed design cycle months to hours.
- Benefits for EGEE: proof-of-concept: commercial customers can very strongly benefit from the EGEE resources.
- EGEE has great potential to become virtual hub for businesses

Learning from History



 In early 1950', Stanford University (also academic, and also non-for-profit) allowed using its resources (land) to innovative businesses.





