



RUCIO & DMLITE

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Interaction with ATLAS DDM 1/2



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- Historically, there are two primary ways to interact with ATLAS DDM
- Via dedicated DDM clients
 - dq2-ls, dq2-get, dq2-put, ...
- Via Python API
 - ```
from dq2.clientapi import DQ2
ret = DQ2().listFilesInDataset(...)
```
- This is problematic
  - Need to install clients
  - Python version dependency (grid vs local)
  - Native library dependency (LFC)
  - Custom Serialisation/Deserialisation
  - Many different versions deployed
  - *Not portable, not user friendly, and operational burden*

# Interaction with ATLAS DDM 2/2



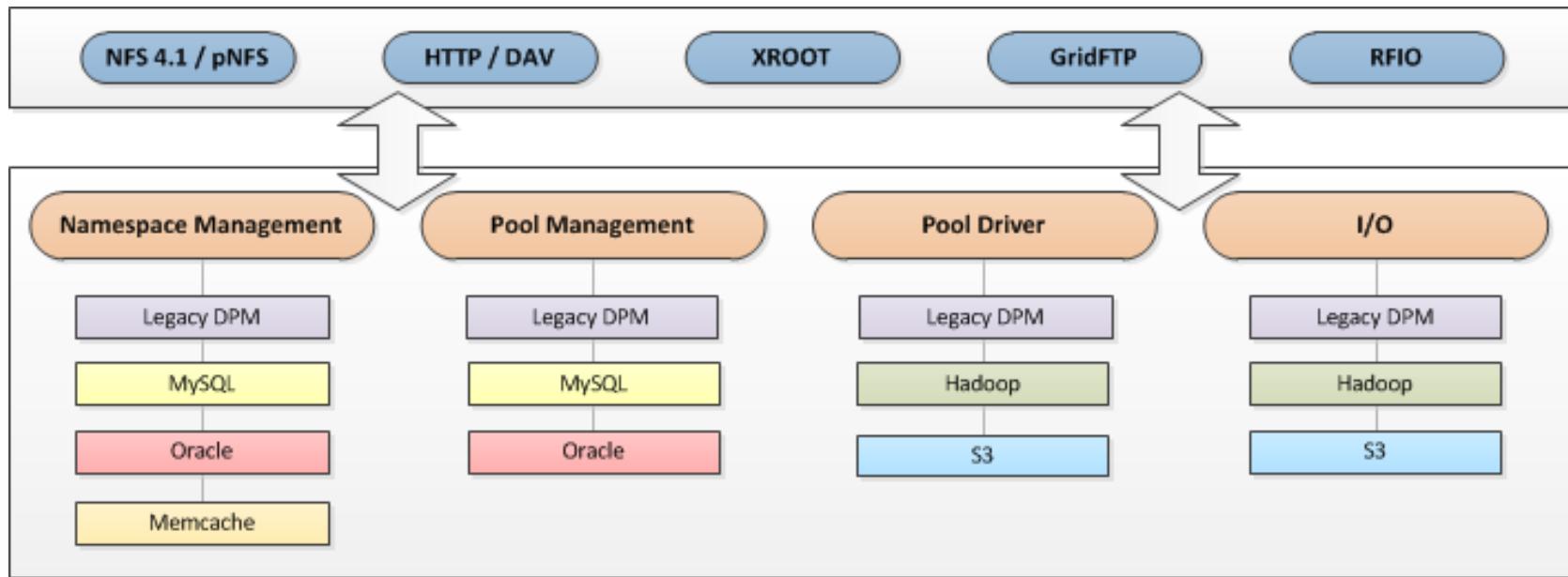
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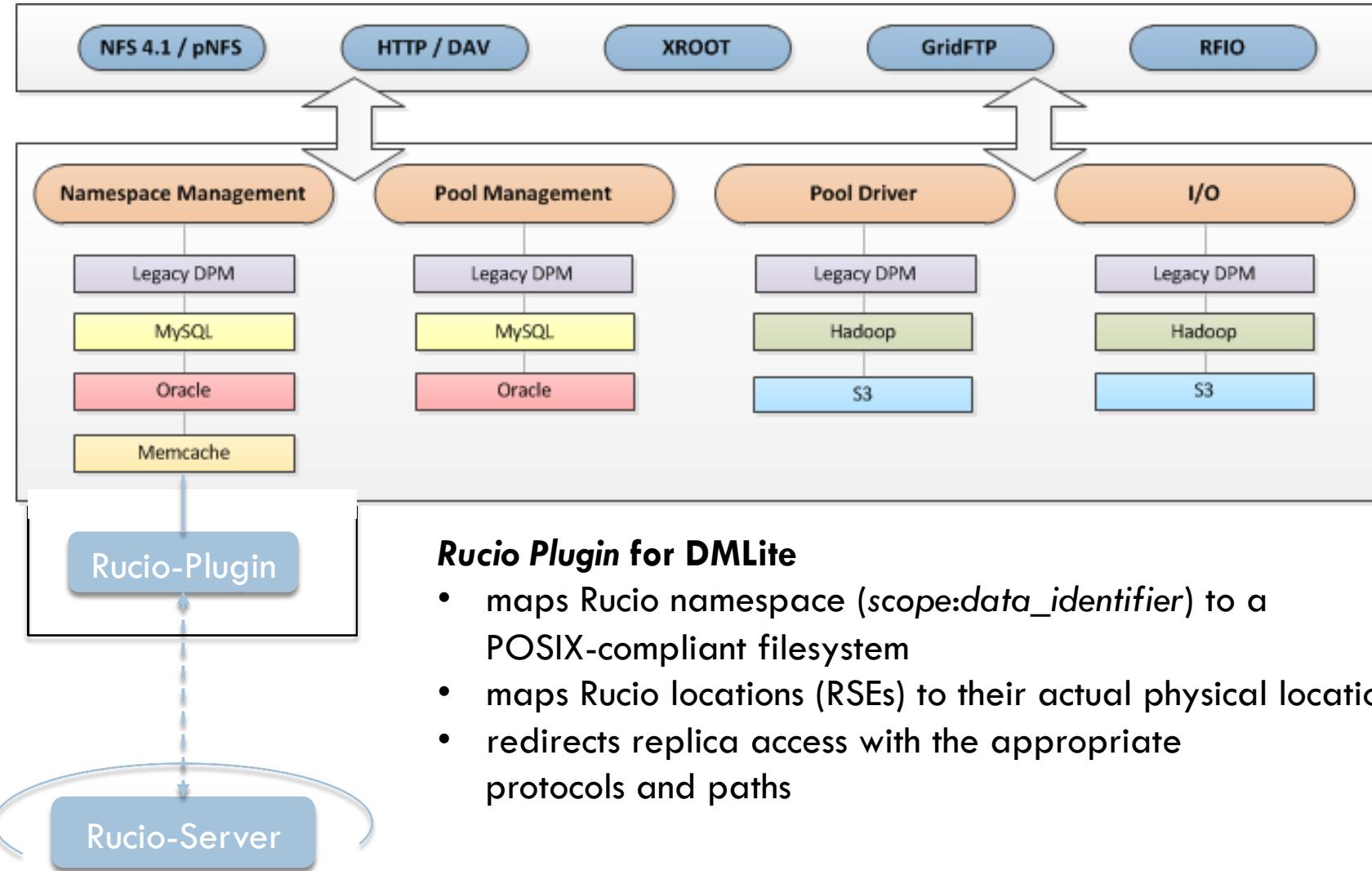
- Wouldn't it be better, if...
  - there are no clients needed to install?
  - you can access the DDM namespace and data directly?
  - from every operating system?
  - get the files you want directly without special software?
- With DMLite, we get this additional functionality
  - Software framework developed by CERN IT-GT
  - Within the DPM project
  - Distributed as a plugin-based library
  - Exposes namespaces, pools, and IO interfaces via several protocols

# DMLite



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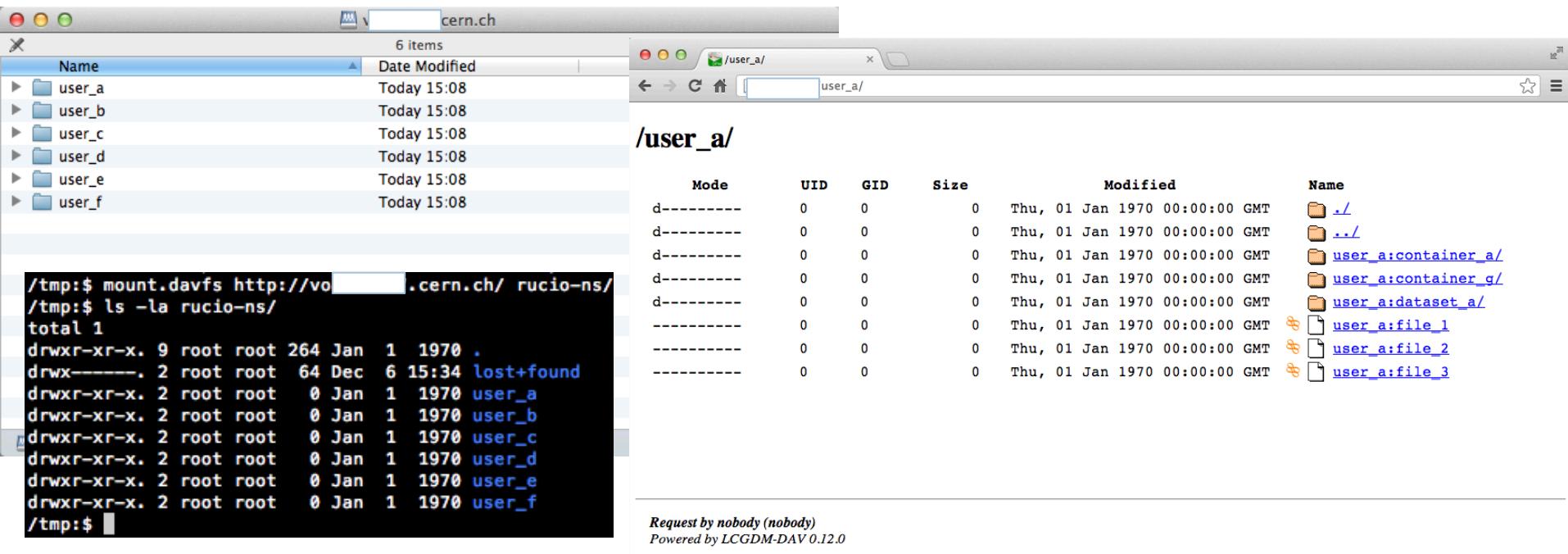




# Exposing the namespace

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- Primarily, through a WebDAV frontend
  - Lightweight Apache plugin, using dmlite library and plugins
- Mount the Rucio namespace like a regular filesystem
  - Finder, Nautilus, dav2fs
- Or just a webbrowser or any HTTP client
  - curl, neon, aria2, ...
  - Retrieve files automatically via HTTP redirection



The screenshot illustrates the exposure of the Rucio namespace in three ways:

- Webbrowser:** A Mac OS X Finder window titled "cern.ch" shows a list of directories named "user\_a" through "user\_f".
- File System:** A terminal window shows the command "mount.davfs http://vo[REDACTED].cern.ch/ rucio-ns/" followed by the output of "ls -la rucio-ns/". The output lists the same directory structure as the browser.
- HTTP Redirect:** A separate browser window titled "/user\_a/" displays the contents of the "/user\_a/" directory. It shows a list of files and sub-directories under "/user\_a/", including ". / .. / user\_a:container\_a / user\_a:container\_g / user\_a:dataset\_a / user\_a:file\_1 / user\_a:file\_2 / user\_a:file\_3".

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/tmp:$ mount.davfs http://vo[REDACTED].cern.ch/ rucio-ns/
/tmp:$ ls -la rucio-ns/
total 1
drwxr-xr-x. 9 root root 264 Jan 1 1970 .
drwx----- 2 root root 64 Dec 6 15:34 lost+found
drwxr-xr-x. 2 root root 0 Jan 1 1970 user_a
drwxr-xr-x. 2 root root 0 Jan 1 1970 user_b
drwxr-xr-x. 2 root root 0 Jan 1 1970 user_c
drwxr-xr-x. 2 root root 0 Jan 1 1970 user_d
drwxr-xr-x. 2 root root 0 Jan 1 1970 user_e
drwxr-xr-x. 2 root root 0 Jan 1 1970 user_f

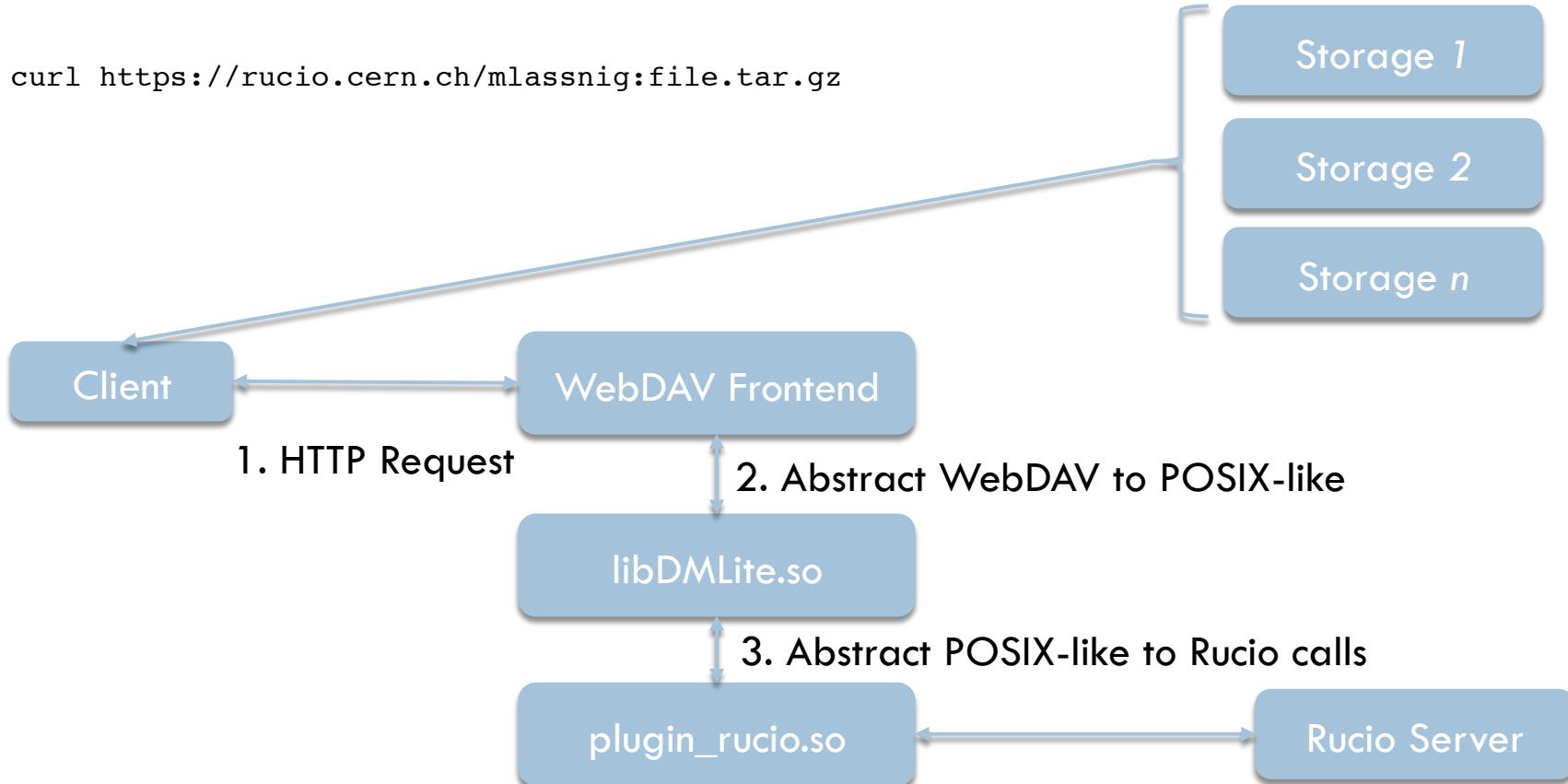
Request by nobody (nobody)
Powered by LCGDM-DAV 0.12.0
```

# Retrieving a file WebDAV style



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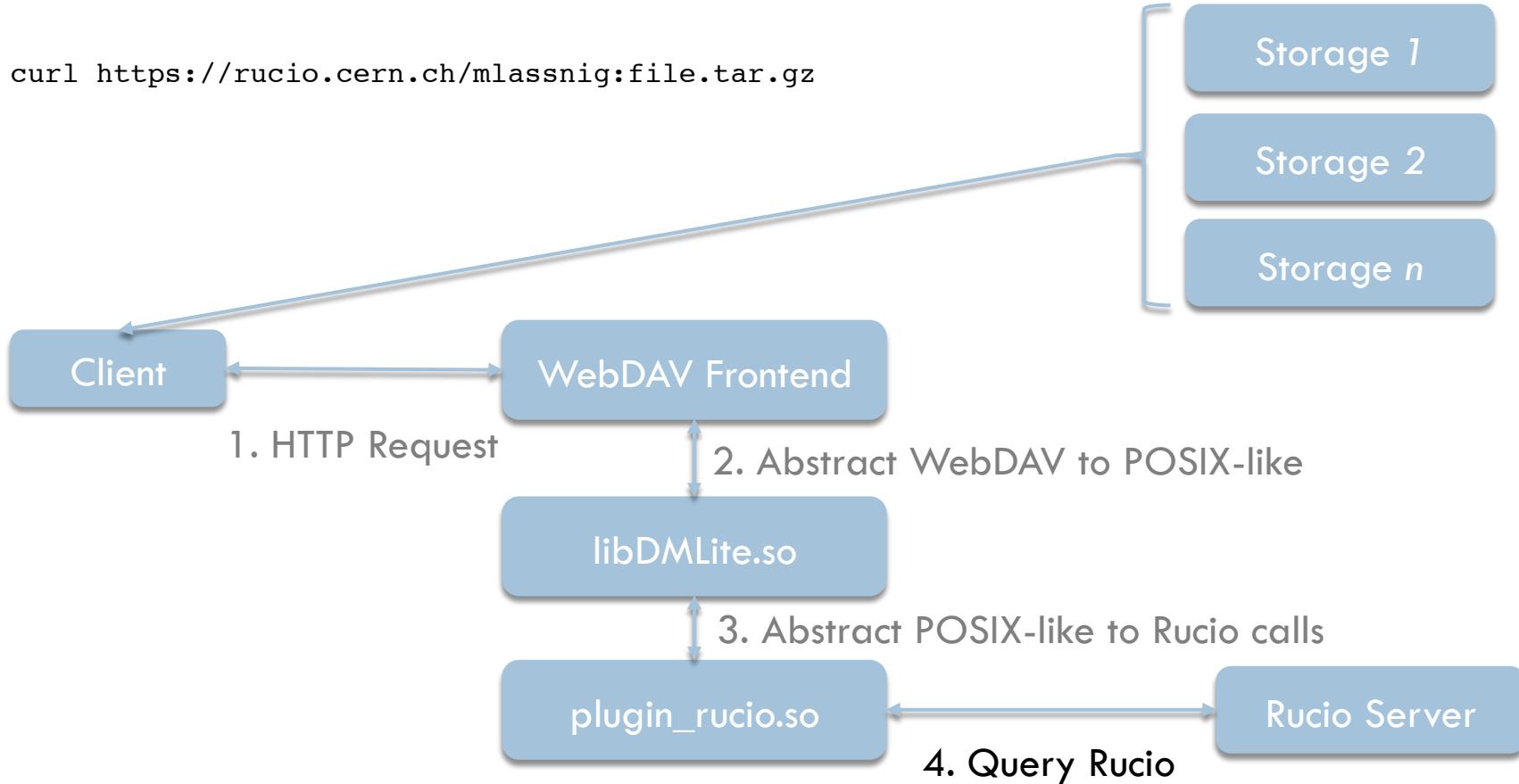


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mlassnig:file.tar.gz → CERN, BNL, RAL

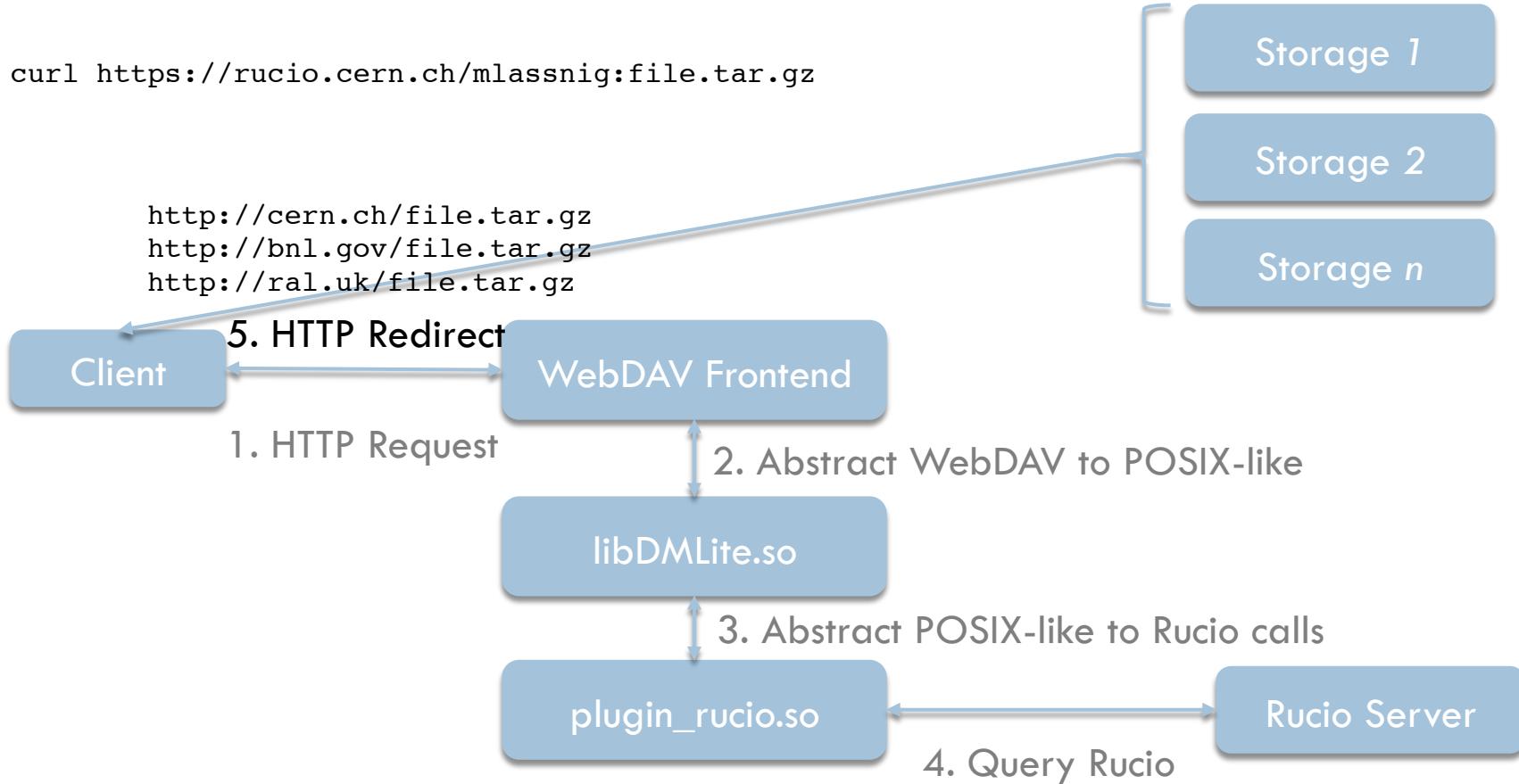
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http://cern.ch/file.tar.gz  
http://bnl.gov/file.tar.gz  
http://ral.uk/file.tar.gz



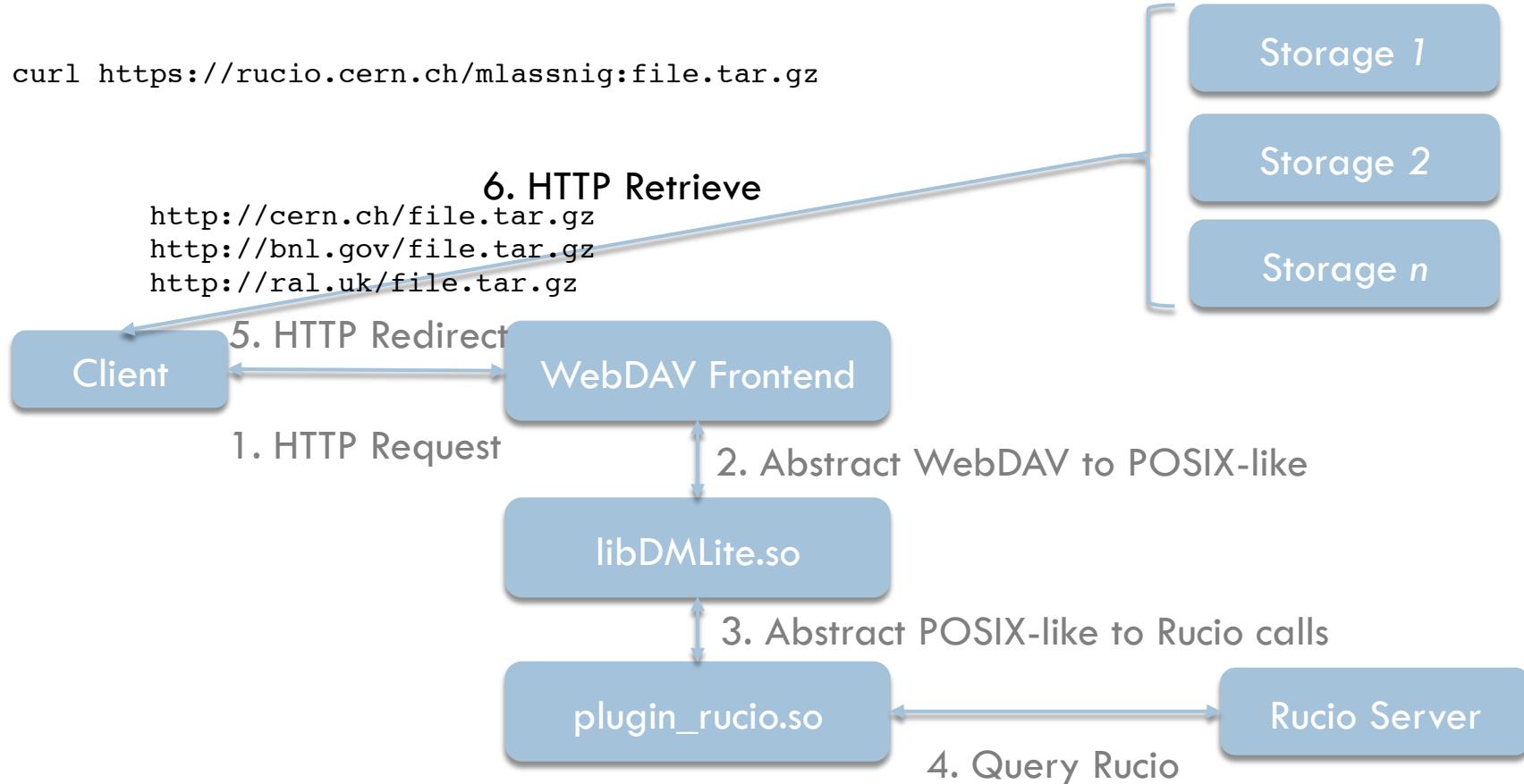
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# Next steps



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- First iteration
  - browse the Rucio namespace (*done*)
  - make sure everything scales as needed (*in progress*)
- Second iteration
  - create new data, retrieve data, aggregate data (*todo*)
- There are three limitations
  - Scoped namespaces are not naturally mappable to a stateless tree
  - Rucio metadata cannot be naturally exposed through POSIX
  - For certain protocols client libraries are still needed
- Some additional features we get for free
  - metalink support (transparent, parallel, segmented transfer)
  - third party transfers
  - ROOT has HTTPS support
  - It's really fast