



File Transfer Service

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What is FTS?

- File Transfer Service (FTS) is a data movement service
- Balance site resources usage
- Prevent network overload
- Prevent storage overload
- Jobs prioritization
- Service monitoring and statistics



What's new in FTS 2.0

- SRM 2.2 support
- Improved monitoring capabilities
 - Reliability of the 'overall transfer service'
- Certificate delegation
 - Security issue: no more MyProxy passphrase in the job
- Better database model
 - Improved performance and scalability
- Better administration tools
 - Make it easier to run the service
- Placeholders for the future functionality
 - Minimise the impact of future upgrades



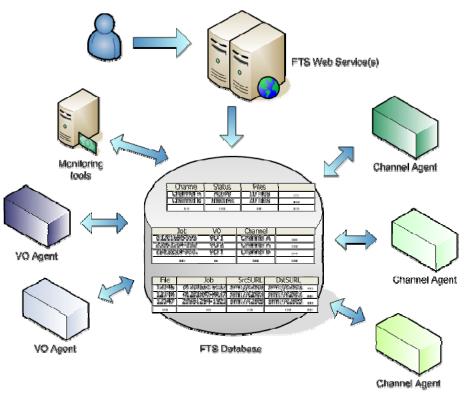
What is a channel?

- Single direction management queue for transfer jobs
 - Point to point (between two sites)
 - Catch all
 - More complex groupings on the way
- Not tied to a physical network path
- A channel defines:
 - Transfer protocol (gridftp, srmcopy)
 - Transfer parameters
 - VO shares
 - Transfer priorities



Server architecture

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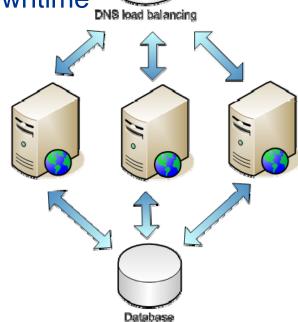
Decoupled components

- Web service
- VO agents
- Channel agents
- Monitoring service



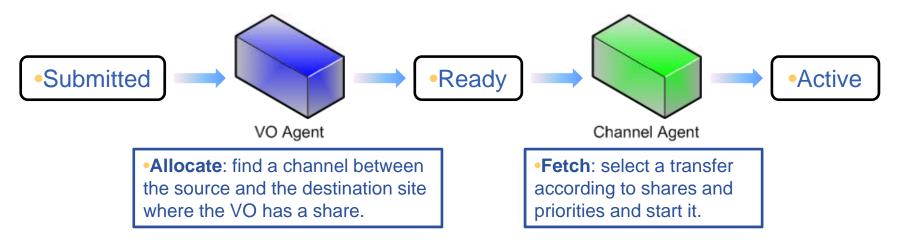
Web service

- Stateless
- Load-balanced
 - scalability
 - software upgrade with zero user-visible downtime
 - graceful failover if one node dies
- Job submission / tracking API
- Service / channel management API

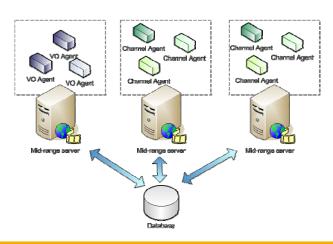




- Daemons that run a set of tasks
- Each task operates on a particular state



- One agent for each VO and channel
- Independent from each other
- Split across multiple nodes







File Transfer Monitor (FTM) node

- Schema additions for FTS database
- Periodically queries FTS database
- Creates weekly/daily/hourly summaries
- Publishes summaries into gridview

Currently the FTM contains:

- A Gridview publisher for site-to-site data rates and volumes
 - To verify agreed service levels
- Basic summaries about observed errors per channel / VO
- The more detailed information views are still being prototyped

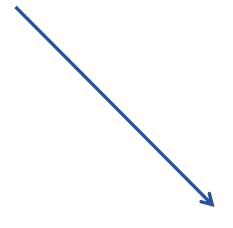
Pluggable architecture

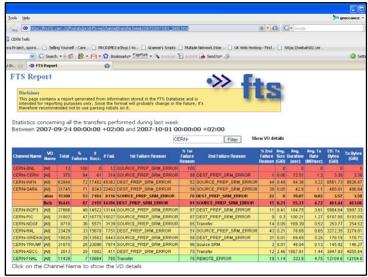
- Incremental approach
- Easy to extend
- Add external contributions



FTM: FTS report

- Used at tier0-export for sending GGUS tickets daily to problematic sites
- Once FTM is deployed, all sites can use this tool to get an 'overview' of what the FTS has measured about them
- Summary data will be published in WLCG monitoring framework





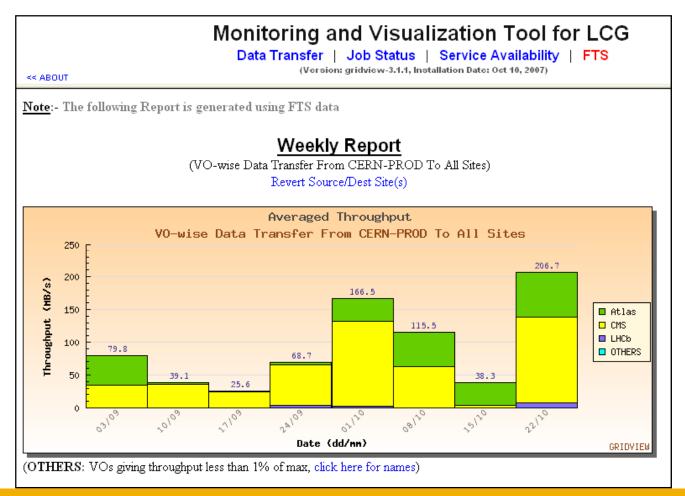
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FTM: Integration with Gridview

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Transfer volume / rates will be available for entire transfer network





FTM: More detailed tools

- Prototyping on FTS pilot service
 - e.g. TOP errors per-site

| | | | TOP errors for CERN-INFN for last day sorted by total amount |
|-------|----------|--------|--|
| place | error_id | number | error sample |
| 1 | 23 | 34 | 421 Timeout (900 seconds): closing control connection |
| 2 | 35 | 8 | 425 Can t open data connection, timed out() failed. |
| 3 | 67 | 4 | CastorStagerInterface.c:2507 Device or resource busy (errno=[num], serrno=[num]) |
| place | error_id | number | TOP errors for CERN-GRIDKA for last day sorted by total amount |
| 1 | 124 | 42 | 426 Transfer aborted, closing connection :failed in recvEBlock |
| 2 | 41 | 16 | failed to contact on remote SRM [srm]. Givin up after 3 tries |
| 3 | 81 | 16 | failed to prepare Destination file in 180 seconds |
| | | | TOP errors for CERN-IN2P3PPS for last day sorted by total amount |
| place | error_id | number | error sample |
| | | | |

 Soon to have ability to extract example transfer logs for your top problems

- Transfers are run using the clients' X509 credentials
 - delegated by the client to the service (impersonation)
- Full audit on all operations
- VOMS credentials (attribute certificates) used (and renewed as necessary) in FTS 2.0
- Roles
 - VO manager
 - List all the transfers of the VO
 - Change transfer priorities
 - Channel manager
 - Change the state of the channel (e.g. for maintenance)
 - Manage VO shares on the channel
 - List all the transfers on the channel



Security: Roles

Get a list of your roles with glite-transfer-getroles

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~ $ glite-transfer-getroles
Your current clientDN is: /DC=ch/DC=cern/.../CN=Paolo Tedesco

You are authorised to submit to this service because your cert contains the following principal: /DC=ch/DC=cern/.../CN=Paolo Tedesco

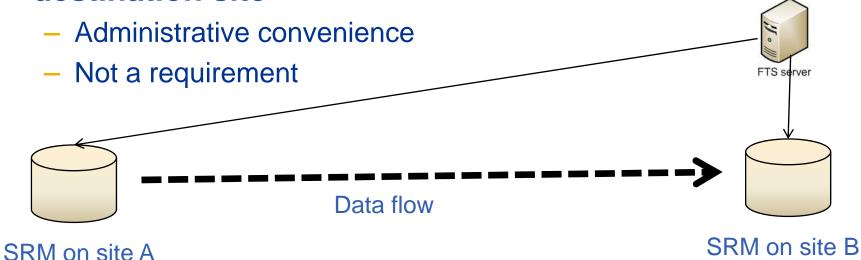
You are VO manager for 1 VOs.
You are VO manager for VO <dteam> because your cert contains the following principal: /DC=ch/DC=cern/.../CN=Paolo Tedesco

You are channel manager for 1 channels.
You are channel manager for channel <CERN-CERN> because your cert contains the following principal: /DC=ch/DC=cern/.../CN=Paolo Tedesco
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FTS and SRMs

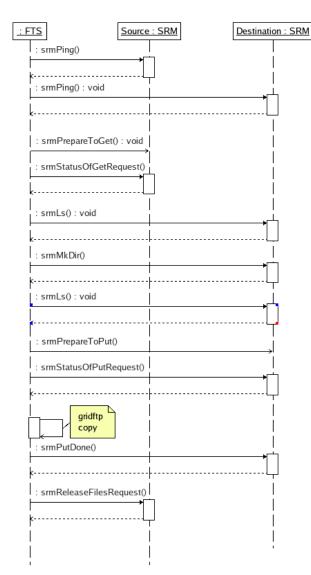
- FTS uses the SRM interface to set up/run/finalize the transfer
- Actual copy
 - 3rd party gridFTP
 - SrmCopy
- FTS server is typically located on either the source of destination site





FTS-SRM interactions

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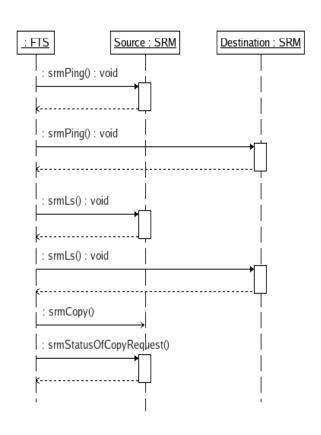
Urlcopy transfer

- Ping source and destination
- PrepareToGet
- Ls + MkDir: destination directory
 - ensure existence of target directory
- Ls: destination file
 - used for cleanup
- PrepareToPut
- Copy using gridftp
- PutDone
- ReleaseFilesRequest



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Srmcopy transfer

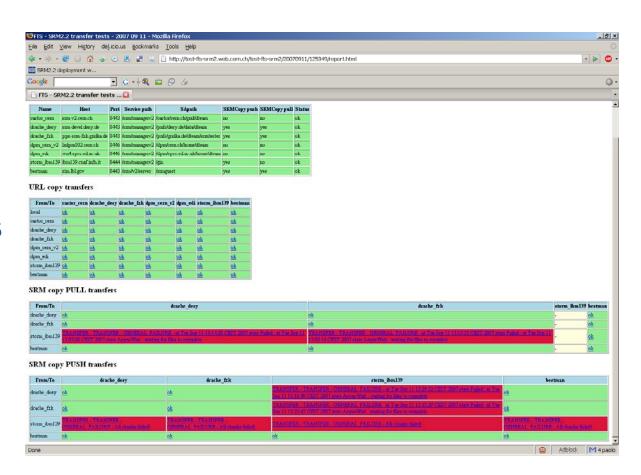


- Ping source and destination
- Ls + MkDir: destination directory
 - ensure existence of target directory
- Ls: source file
 - make sure source file exists
- Ls: destination file
 - used for cleanup
- Copy using SrmCopy



Transfer tests

- http://test-fts-srm2.web.cern.ch/test-fts-srm2/
- Set of transfers using a list of endpoint definitions
 - urlcopy
 - srmcopy push
 - srmcopy pull
- Transfer logs
- soap messages





Improving the service

- Things to do to improve the overall service delivered to the users
- Manage the channels that involve your site
 - even if the FTS server itself is on another site
- Understanding service failures
 - Failures of the FTS service
 - Failures of the underlying SRM services



Operations procedures

For tier-1 and tier-2 sites

- A lot of the transfers will be coming from an FTS at another site
- Know who the (other) FTS service administrators are
- Know which channels have been setup which involve your site
- Make sure that that your local admin(s) have been set as channel managers for these channels

Follow intervention procedures

- https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/LCG/FtsProcedures20
- Especially for 'delicate' operations (changing channel type...)

Pause the channels if needed

- Interventions (scheduled or not) on the SRM
- Inform your T1 that you are pausing/restarting the channel
- glite-transfer-channel-set –S Inactive CHANNELNAME
- glite-transfer-channel-set –S Active CHANNELNAME



Information system problems

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- Use file as plugin
 - Mostly 'static' information
 - /opt/glite/etc/services.xml
 - https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/LCG/FtsServerServicesXml20
- "No site for host..."
 - Check that endpoint is published correctly
 - Check the "volist" parameters
 - Update services.xml file
- "No channel found, channel closed for your VO..."
 - Check source and destination site
 - Verify that a channel is defined
 - Glite-transfer-channel-list command
 - Verify that your vo has a share defined on the channel
 - Verify that the share is not null
- "No SRM method factory found..."
 - Check the endpoint version in the services.xml file



services.xml

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Check if the version is
<service name="httpg://lxdpm101.cern.ch:8446/srm/managerv2</pre>
                                                               published correctly (No
     <parameters>
                                                               SRM Method factory...)
          <endpoint>httpg://lxdpm101.cern.ch:8446/srm/managervz
          <type>SRM</type>
          <version>2.2.0</version>
          <site>CERN-PROD</site>
                                                             This is the site used for
          <wsdl>unset</wsdl>
                                                             channel resolution (No
          <volist>
                                                             channel found...)
              <vo>atlas</vo>
              <vo>cms</vo>
               <vo>dteam</vo>
          </volist>
          <param name="atlas:SEMountPoint">/dpm/cern_ch/home/atlas/param>
                                                  Check that the entry for
          <param name="cms:SEMountPoint">/dr
                                                                         aram>
                                                  the service is defined and
          <param name="dteam:SEMountPoint">/
                                                                         n</param>
                                                  contains your vo in the
                                                  volist (No site for host...)
     </parameters>
</service>
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FTS failures

Hardware failures

- Recovery procedures in case of hardware failures
 - https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/LCG/FtsProcedures20
- Use load balancing

Software failures

- Well tested, but still bugs / missing features
- Please report any issue you see
 - Ask your ROC
 - Check / submit tickets to GGUS
 - Contact <u>fts-support@cern.ch</u>
- Workarounds usually published on fts-users@cern.ch
- Patches come from the normal gLite release mechanism



External (SRM) failures

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- Service degradations for which the cause is harder to determine
 - "Transfer failure" (gridFTP isn't always obvious about the cause).
 - https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/LCG/TransferOperationsGridFTPErrors
 - Networking problems / firewall issues
 - Problems on SRM-copy channels (FTS doesn't have much logging about what went wrong)
- These require 'expert' involvement and investigation
 - Experts at tier-1: on local FTS, Castor, dCache, networking
 - Experts on tier-2: SRM, networking
- Goal: move as much of this as possible to the 'automatic' system
 - Packaging 'canned problems' takes time and experience with the problem

Log files

Agents and transfer log files

- https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/LCG/FtsServerAdmin20
- Agents logs (channel and VO, according to the phase)
 - /var/log/glite
 - glite-transfer-channel-agent-urlcopy-<channel-name>.log
 - glite-transfer-channel-agent-srmcopy-<channel-name>.log
 - glite-transfer-vo-agent-<vo-name>.log
 - Search for the job id
- Transfer logs
 - On the related channel agent machine
 - /var/tmp/glite-url-copy-edguser
 - <channel-name>completed
 - <channel-name>failed
 - <channel-name>lost



- Focus continues upon service monitoring and making it easier to run the transfer service
- Continue testing SRM 2.2 support
- SL4 and VDT 1.6 support
- Closer integration with experiment software frameworks
- Incrementally improve service monitoring and admin
 - Better service admin tools being released
 - Monitoring work now prototyped and running on pilot
- Site grouping in channel definition ("clouds")
- SRM/gridFTP split
- Notification of job state changes