GridPP Dirac Service

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Why GridPP Dirac Service?

- GridPP (UK computing for Particle Physics) also supports non-LHC ("small") VO
- Dirac is considered as a replacement for EMI WMS
- Also as a replacement for the LFC still widely used by small Vos
- One instance installed and maintained at Imperial College London:

https://dirac.grid.hep.ph.ic.ac.uk:8443

Supported VOs

First installation in April 2013.

"Technical" VOs:

- vo.londongrid.ac.uk
- vo.northgrid.ac.uk
- vo.gridpp.ac.uk

Small experiments:

- na62.vo.gridpp.ac.uk
- mice (planned)
- vo.landslides.mossaic.org
- t2k.org
- cernatschool.org
- snoplus

Resources available

- Resources support by GridPP Dirac is customer driven
- We support most of the UK EMI grid sites (CEs, SEs)
- Also support VAC virtual machines in Manchester and Oxford.

(http://www.gridpp.ac.uk/vac/)

NA62 support

- Modify NA62 jobs to run via Dirac –define sites, Ses and the dfc.
- Submit and monitor jobs
- Use Dirac to perform file management: local SE stage-out with failover, copy to RAL and CERN using asynchronous FTS requests.
- Use Dirac dfc as file and potentially metadata catalog.

MICE

- Currently use the Grid to move raw data to Castor at RAL
- Use a similar mechanism as NA62 for off-line reconstructions (glite tool + custom FTS movement tools)
- Move to Dirac for Workload management,
 DFC and asynchronous FTS file movement

Landslides VO

- A small VO to study landslides
- They used their own Dirac at Bristol
- Moved to the GridPP Dirac w/o major probems
- A project in hibernation at the moment

Cernatschool VO

- Just started added recently to the GridPP Dirac
- Enabled on a few sites in the UK
- Asked for a catalog support and SEs

T2k.org

- Main interest expressed for a group at TRIUMF
- The required SE definitions for Imperial and RAL
- Use of the LFC
- Not much activity recently

Dirac for small VOs future plan

- Move Workload management, file management and replication entirely to Dirac for NA62 and MICE
- Add support for cernatschool, WMS + DFC
- Extend end-user documentation in the GridPP wiki.