



SVOPME



A Scalable Virtual Organization Privileges Management Environment

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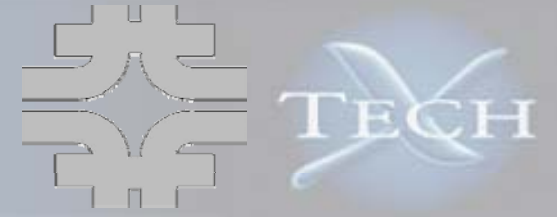
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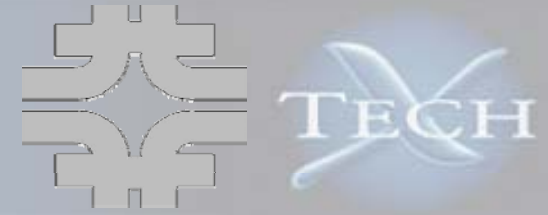
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- **Project overview**
 - What SVOPME tries to address
- **Proof of concept**
 - Design and capability of the prototype tools
- **Outlook and planning**
 - Plans for a production quality tool

What are VO Privileges?



Virtual Organizations:

- VOs use resources
- VOs wish to define usage policies for various resources for different users within the VOs
 - Example 1: Production team members submit jobs with higher priority
 - Example 2: Software team members can write to disk area for software installations
- VOs define user privileges at different resources to comply with the expressed usage policies
- However, VOs do not manage/configure all Grid sites

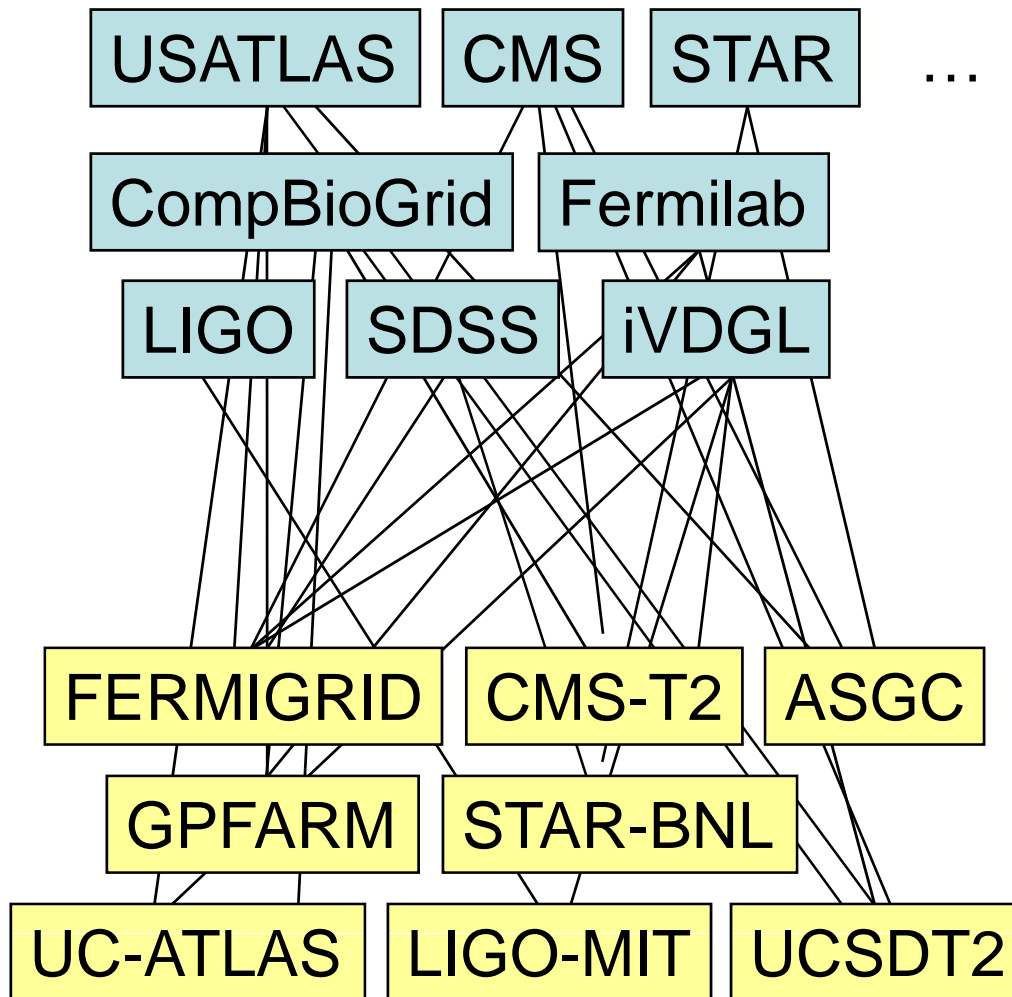
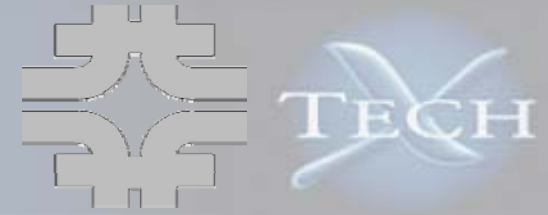
Grid Sites:

- Grid sites provide resources
- Grid sites may want to provide different services to different VOs
 - Example 3: site X has a special agreement with VO Y; therefore, jobs from VO Y might have higher priority than others
- Grid sites help VOs to enforce their usage policies by managing user privileges
- Grid sites don't define VOs' usage policies

Site and VO Challenge: Enforcing heterogeneous VO privileges on multiple Grid sites to provide uniform VO Policies across the Grid
(ad hoc solution: verbal communication)

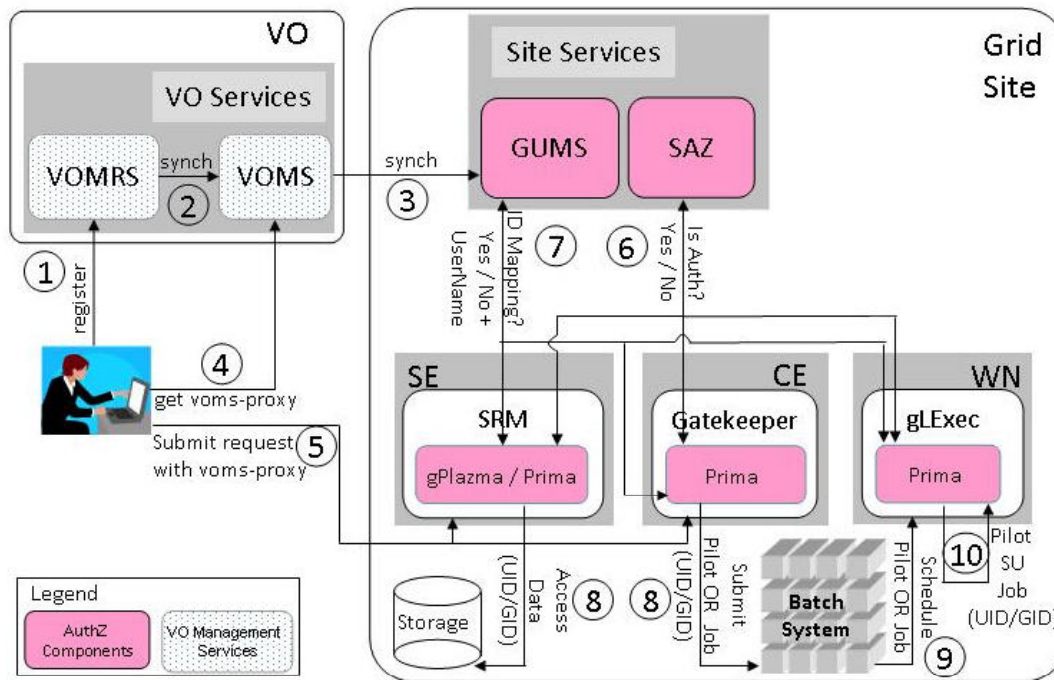
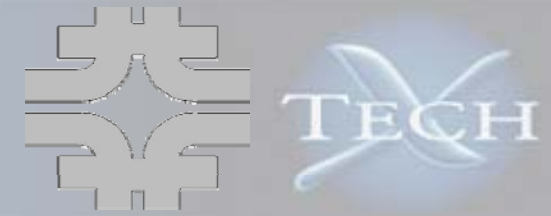
Motivations of SVOPME

Address scalability



- With the growth in Grid usage, both the numbers of **VOs** and **Grid-sites** increase
- Serious scalability problems in propagating VO privilege policies
- **SVOPME:**
 - Provide the tools and infrastructure to help
 - VOs express their policies
 - Sites support a VO
 - Reuse proven administrative solutions – we adopt common system configuration patterns currently in use in major grid sites

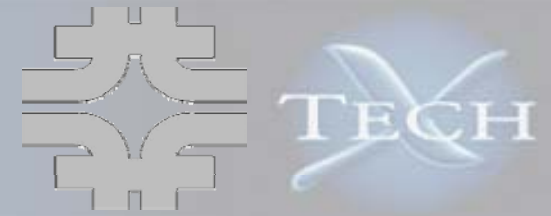
Modern User Privilege Management



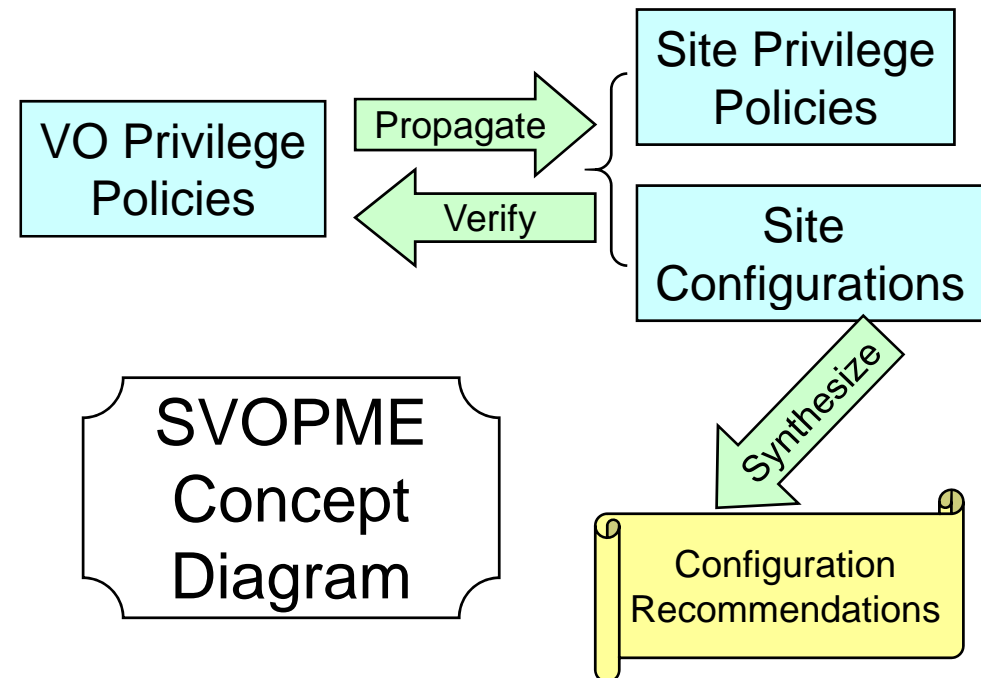
The OSG Authorization Infrastructure

- **Moving away from the use of gridmap files to VOMS/GUMS role-based privilege management**
 - Eliminate the need for multiple user certificates
 - Similar trend can be observed in EGEE (LCAS/LCMAPS + SCAS and VOMS)
- **Managing requests priority for both SE and CE**

Proof of Concept: Prototype Implementation

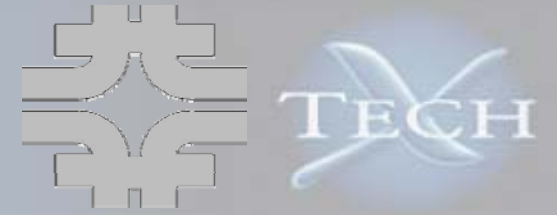


- Provide validation of the overall approach
- Design suitable XML schemas for describing policies
 - This project adopts XACML
 - Allows aggregation of policies
 - XACML is also used by AuthZ Interoperability project (see CHEP 09 Talk)
- Determine the information needed in VO and site policies
 - Compiled a list of resources and policies



- A prototype environment for synthesizing administrative directives and verifying VO policies

Survey of Resources and Policies Managed on the Grid

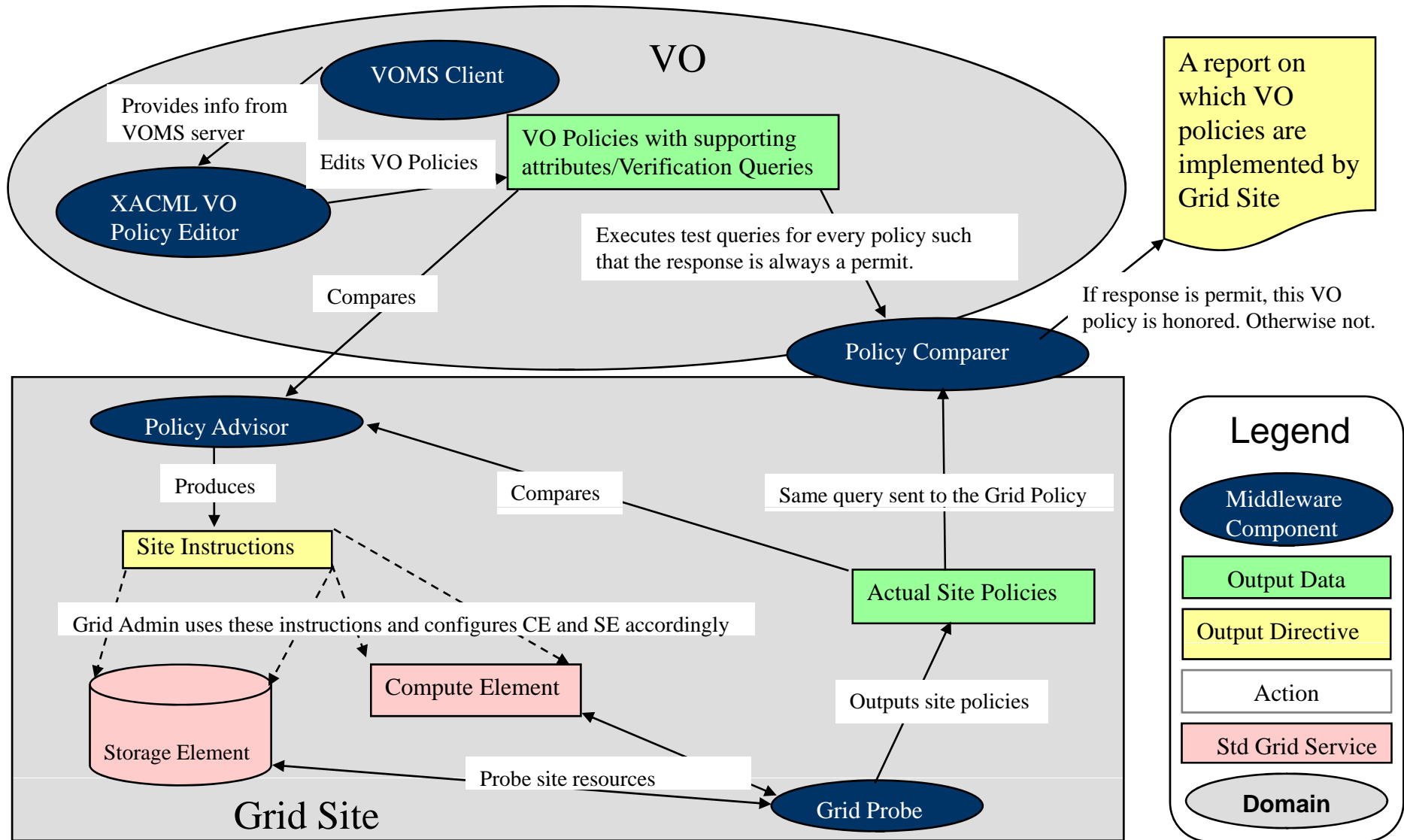
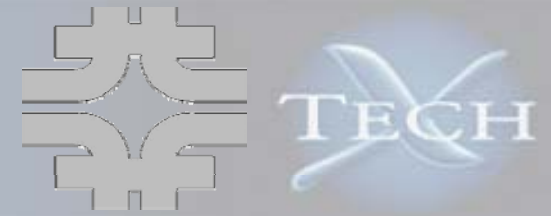


- **Resources**
 - OS protection (account types: group or pool)
 - Batch system
 - File system
 - External storage (SRM/dCache)
 - Network access (inbound/outbound)
 - Edge services
- **Policies expressed by the Site**
 - Timed availability (execution time slots for certain VO users)
- **Policies expressed by the VO**
 - Intra-VO relative priority in batch system
 - Directory access permissions
 - Consecutive execution period
 - Suspension/resumption of jobs
 - Repeat execution (Allowing restart or not in batch system)
 - User file privacy
 - Two roles to share the same GID
- **Policies expressed by both**
 - Disk quota
 - File retention period
 - Account type
 - Network (inbound/outbound) access control

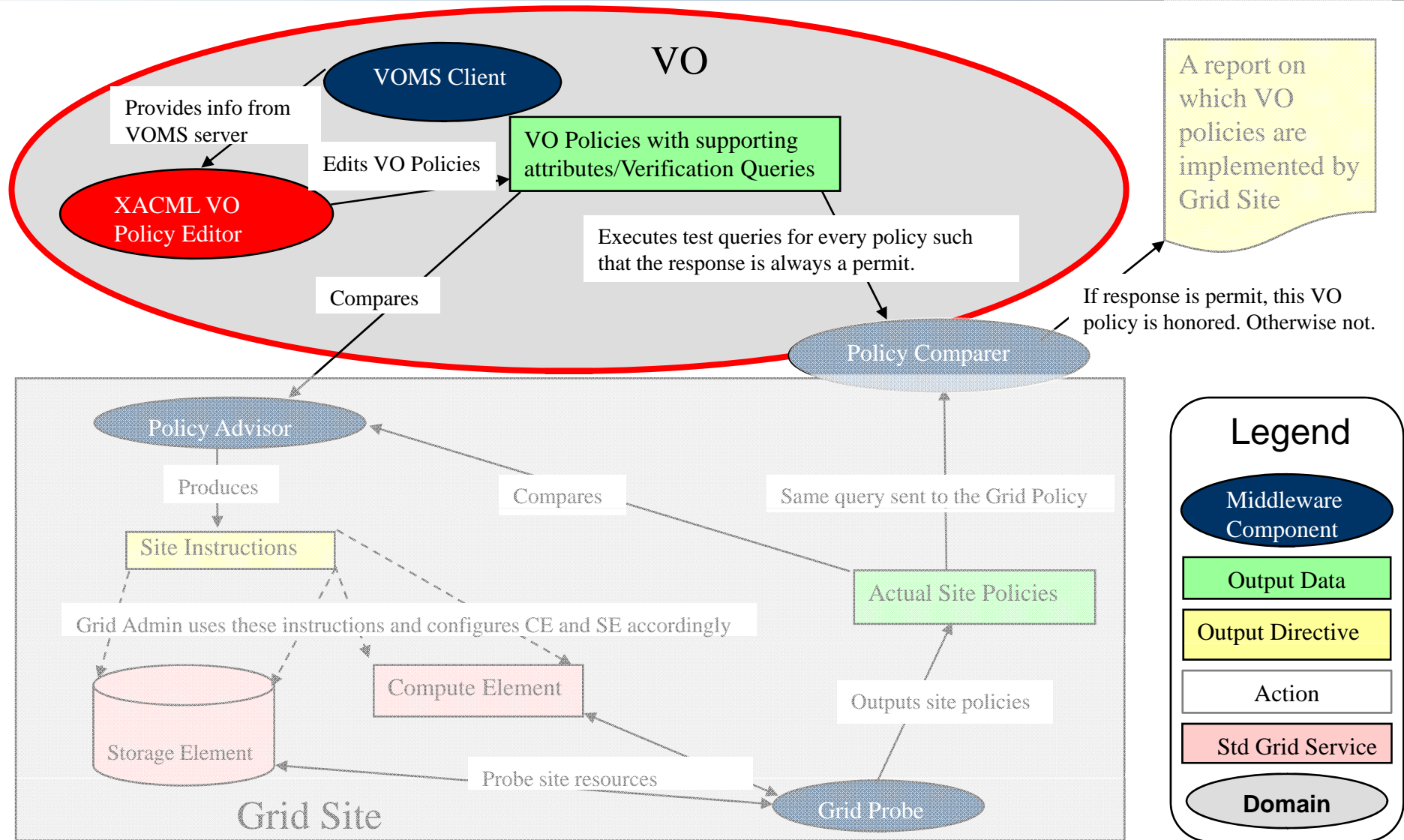
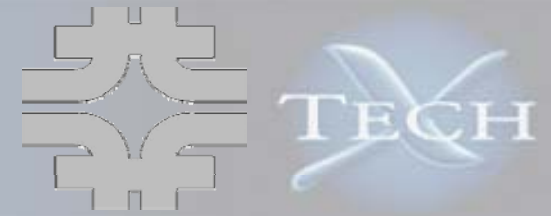
SVOPME focuses on
VO policies

Highlighted policies are supported

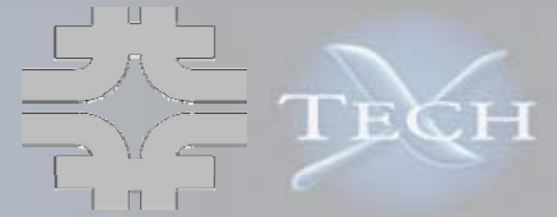
SVOPME Prototype Architecture



The VO Tool – Used by VO-Admin



XACML VO Policy Editor (Domain Specific)

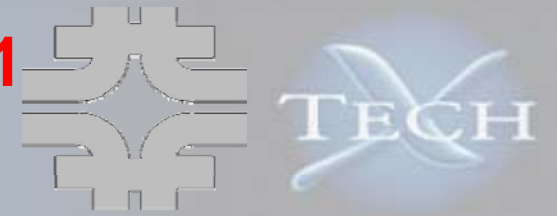


- **XACML is a generic XML-based language for specifying access control policies**
 - Not very human readable
 - Suitable for machine processing
- **The VO Policy Editor, therefore, allows VO administrators to edit a set of pre-defined VO policies in simple readable forms**
 - For example: Account Mapping Policy
 - Group _____ should run with pool/group account
- **The VOMS client obtains information about all the Group/Role and the number of users from the VOMS server. This information is passed to the VO Policy Editor to avoid operator errors**
- **The Editor stores the policies and test queries for verification in XACML format to enable automation**
- **Support for new policy types can be added as “Policy Template” plug-in’s**
- **We also plan to develop command-line policy editing tools to convert between a text-based policy specification and XACML documents**



Prototype VO Policy Editor Screen Shot 1

Select Policy Type to Add



Select Policy

VO Policy Description

SVOPME VO Policies Editor

File Edit Help

Step 1 of 3

Policy Template

- Account Mapper Policy
- Priority Policy
- Disk Policy
- Job Runtime Policy
- Job Suspension Policy
- Job Repetition Policy
- Privacy Policy
- GroupID sharing Policy

Description

Run Group/Role/A with pool (unique) or shared (group) accounts

Next ->

Console Messages

Compile a new Policy from File->New VO Policy
Choose a policy template

VO Policy Editor

VO Policies

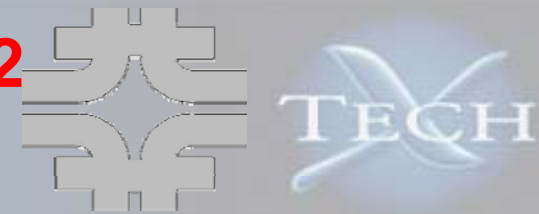
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VO Policies with supporting attributes/verification queries

From the gateway for every policy each time the response is always a permit.

Prototype VO Policy Editor Screen Shot 2

Edit Policy Attributes



VOMS Client assists in setting attributes for the policy

The screenshot shows the 'SVOPME VO Policies Editor' window. The title bar includes 'File Edit Help'. The main content area is titled 'Step 2 of 3 - Account Mapper/Grid Accounts Policy'. It contains several sections:

- Account Mapper Policy:** A text box containing 'Run Group/Role/A with pool (unique)/shared (group) accounts'.
- Input Attributes:** A section with a 'Policy Id:' field containing 'amp1' and a '(Ex AccountMapperPolicy_1)' label. Below it is a 'Group/Role FQAN:' dropdown menu with a list of options: '/TECHX (3 Users)', '/TECHX/ Role=Software-Admin (2 Users)', '/TECHX/ Role=User (2 Users)', '/TECHX/ Role=VO-Admin (3 Users)', and '/TECHX/VISITORS (2 Users)'. To the right of the dropdown is a 'Select a FQAN' label.
- Account Mapping:** A dropdown menu currently set to 'group'.
- Grid Accounts Policy:** A section with a checked checkbox labeled 'Accounts should exist for all users in the selected Group/Role/A'.

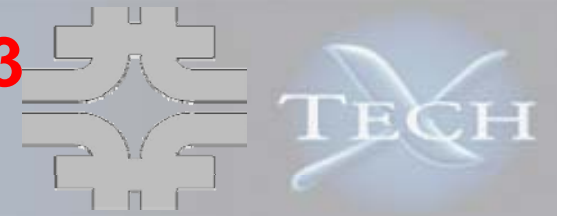
At the bottom of the main area is a 'Next ->' button. Below the main area is a 'Console Messages' section with the following text:

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Compile a new Policy from File->New VO Policy
Choose a policy template
Account Mapper Policy chosen. Fill in the values for this template
```

In the bottom right corner, there is a small diagram enclosed in a red oval. It shows a flow from 'VOMSClient' to 'VO'. A red box labeled 'XACML VO Policy Editor' has an arrow pointing to 'VOMSClient'. A green box labeled 'VO Policies with supporting attributes/Verification Queries' has an arrow pointing to 'VO'. A note below the diagram states: 'Policies are generated for every policy each time the response is always a permit.'

Prototype VO Policy Editor Screen Shot 3

Allow XACML view

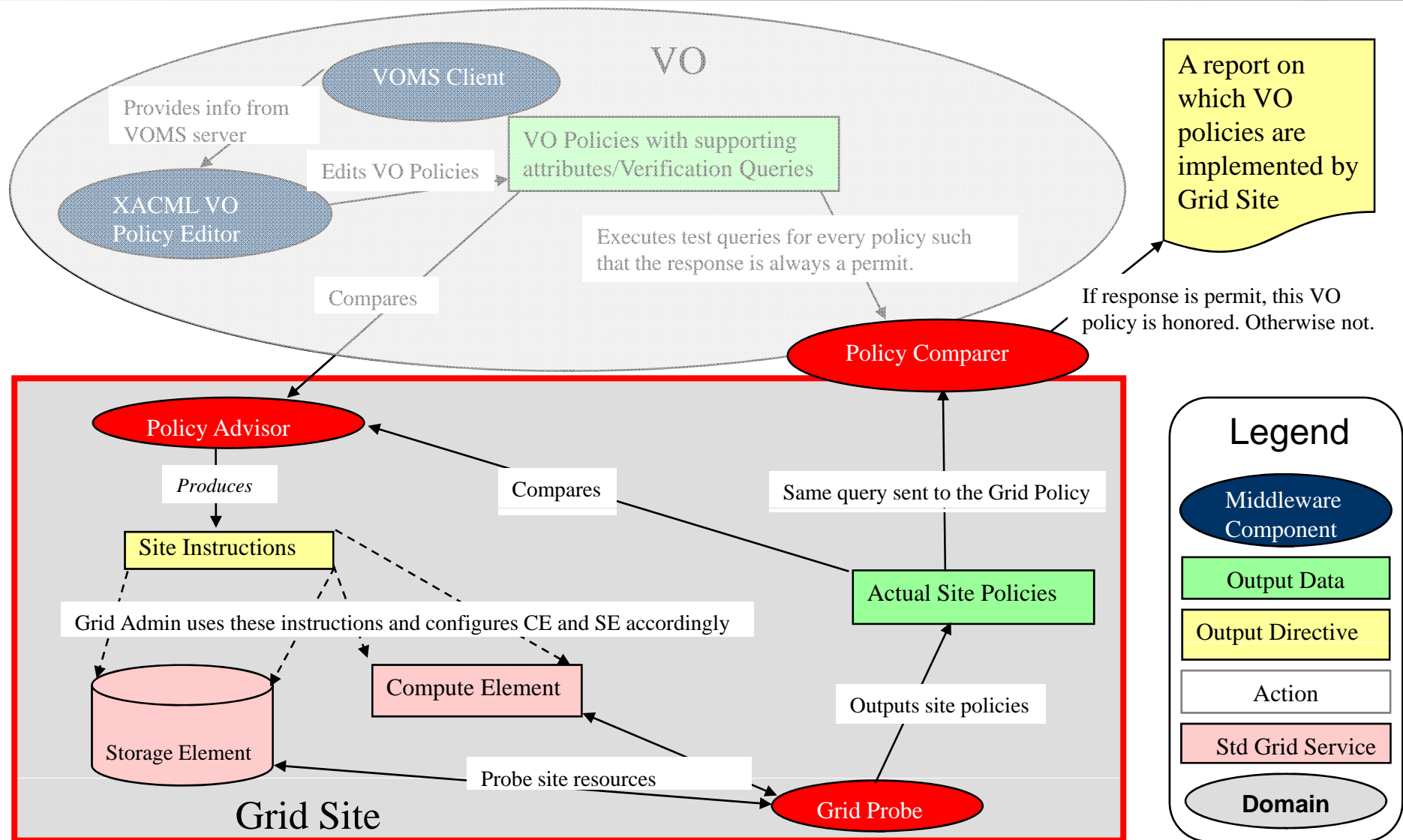
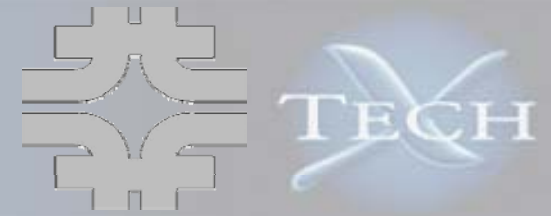


Policy is then converted into XACML template

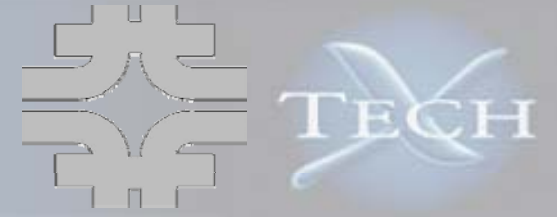
The screenshot shows the 'SVOPME VO Policies Editor' window. The main area displays XACML code for 'Account Mapping Policy and Grid Accounts Policy'. The code includes elements like <Actions>, <Condition>, <Apply>, <AttributeDesignator>, and <Rule>. Below the code are 'New Policy' and 'Close Editor' buttons. At the bottom, a 'Console Messages' pane shows the following text: 'Compile a new Policy from File->New VO Policy', 'Choose a policy template', 'Account Mapper Policy choosen. Fill in the values for this template', and 'amp1.xacml an instance of Account Policy A built successfully'.



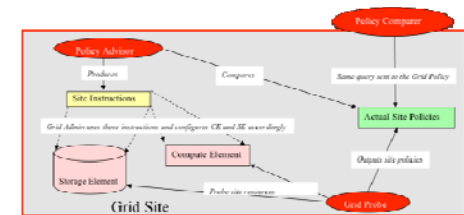
Three Grid Site Tools – Used by Site-Admin



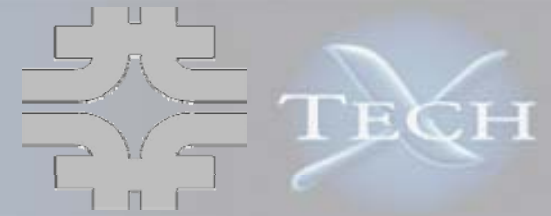
Grid Probe



- Probes the Grid site local configurations
- For Phase-I we probe the settings of the GUMS and Condor systems
 - GUMS provides info on account mapping from VO user/role to local UID
 - Condor provides priorities of accounts
- Generates the equivalent Grid side policies (in XACML)



VO/Grid Policies Advisor



- Verify that the Grid site configurations support the VO policies by running the verification queries generated by VO Policy Editor for each VO policy
- Provide advice for the **Grid site administrator** on what amendments need to be done on the Site; such that the Grid site complies with the VO policies

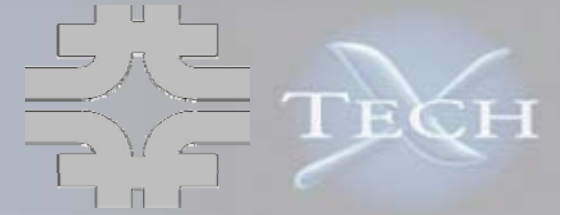
- Example output:

- VO requested 3 accounts for VISITORS role via VO policies
- Site-policies derived from GUMS do not match

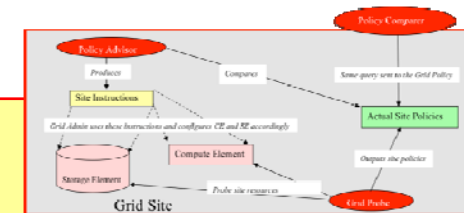


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[java] VO/Grid Grid Accounts Policy Advices
[java] -----
[java] No matching Grid Accounts Policy was found for /TECHX/VISITORS
on the Grid site. Create a mapping in GUMS config such that
/TECHX/VISITORS be mapped to at least 3 account(s)
[java] TECHX/Role=VO-Admin mapped to 1 account(s) (techxVOadmin) on
the Grid site, is not sufficient enough. Needs to be mapped to atleast 3 accounts.
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VO/Grid Policies Comparer



- Verify that the Grid site configurations support the VO policies by running the verification queries generated by VO Policy Editor for each VO policy
- Produces a report for the **VO admin** on which VO policies are honored by the Grid site and which are not
- Example output:



```
[java] VO/Grid Grid Accounts Policy Comparison
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[java] -----
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[java] /TECHX/Role=User is mapped to 1 account(s) on the Grid site. Passed!
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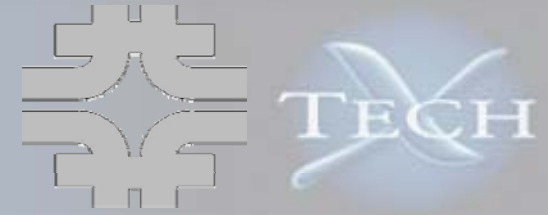
```
[java] No Account Mapping Policies for /TECHX/VISITORS were found on the  
Grid site.
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[java] /TECHX/Role=Software-Admin is mapped to 1 account(s) on the Grid  
site. Passed!
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[java] /TECHX/Role=VO-Admin does not have sufficient accounts on Grid Site.  
Failed! (Needs to be mapped to at least 3 accounts.)
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[java] /TECHX is mapped to 1 account(s) on the Grid site. Passed!
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Advantages for VOs and Sites

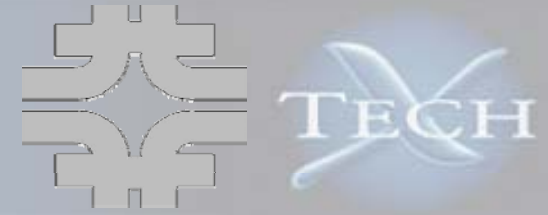


Advantages for the VOs

- No need to run ad-hoc jobs to figure out what policies are enforced and what not
- Provides templates to define commonly used policies
- Automates most of the communication with Sites that support the VO
- Provides the basis for the negotiation of privileges at sites that provide opportunistic access

Advantages for the Sites

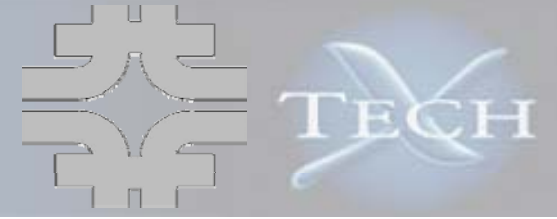
- Sites can advertise and prove that a VO is supported
- Sites that want to support a VO have a semi-automated mechanism to enforce the VO policies
- Privilege enforcement remains responsibility of the Site, informed by formal VO policy assertions



- **Objective 1: Usability**

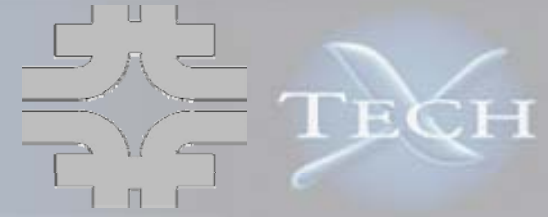
- Support a more comprehensive set of VO policies
 - Add support for remaining policies collected in Phase I
 - Not sure if we want to incorporate site-specified policies or not
 - Collaborate with VOs and key OSG grid sites to gather VO policies needed and how sites could support these policies
- Command-line scripting tools
 - Derive a set of policy statements
 - Embed policy statements in generated XACML

Future Workplan (Cont.)



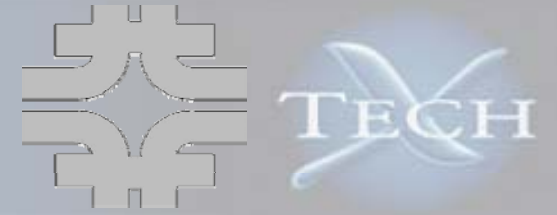
- **Completing Features and Hardening of prototype tools**
 - Overall Feature enhancements
 - Change to use PolicySets for VOs and grid sites
 - Allows us to aggregate policies
 - Supports the semantics of a whole VO or site
 - Modularize components
 - Support new policies
 - Support new grid environments and configurations
 - Support customized policies and queries
 - VO Policy Editor
 - Merge VOMS Client with the Editor
 - Allow opening/editing/saving of existing PolicySet
 - Support browsing of PolicySet
 - Support consistency check of overall VO PolicySet
 - What to do when there's a mismatch between VO and PolicySet
 - Grid Probe
 - Support probing of more resources / configurations

Future Workplan (Cont.)



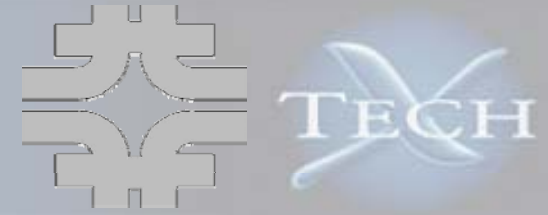
- VO/Grid Policy Comparer/Advisor
 - Currently, we only check for supported policies but not redundant site policies
 - Address security concerns (of site configurations and policy inconsistency, etc.)
- Services for VOs and Grid sites to exchange/verify policies
- **Objective 2: Flexibility and Robustness**
 - Modularize system aspects such as Grid configurations and tool stacks
 - Migrate toward a common Grid XACML profile (Authorization Interoperability Profile)
 - Identify and implement more privilege policies
 - Site-specific policies
 - Service contracts between sites and VOs?

Future Workplan (Cont.)



- **Objective 3: Demo the Effectiveness**
 - Integrate with OSG distribution
 - Develop recommendation for running/using SVOPME tools
 - Deployment, documentation and customer service

Conclusions



- **SVOPME ensure uniform access to resources by providing an infrastructure to propagate, verify, and enforce VO policies at Grid sites**
- **SVOPME integrates with the OSG Authorization Infrastructure**
- **We are extending and adjusting the scope of the project based on feedback and comments on the prototype tools**