

A Distributed Tier-1 for WLCG

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NDGF NORDIC DATAGRID FACILITY

Overview

- Background
- Organization / Governance
- Tier-1 Services:
 - Computing
 - Storage
 - ATLAS
 - ALICE
 - Accounting
 - Monitoring
- Operation



Background

- Nordic Countries constitute together 25Mio People
- No country is bigger than 10Mio People
- Nordic Tier-1 needs to utilize hardware at bigger Nordic compute sites
- Strong Nordic grid tradition: NorduGrid / ARC
 - Deployed at all Nordic compute centers
 - Used heavily also by non-HEP users (>75%)
- Need for a pan-Nordic organization for Tier-1 and possibly other huge inter/Nordic e-Science projects



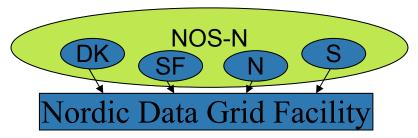
What is the NDGF?

A Co-operative Nordic Data and Computing Grid facility

- Nordic production grid, leveraging national grid resources
- Common policy framework for Nordic production grid
- Joint Nordic planning and coordination
- Operate Nordic storage facility for major projects
- Co-ordinate & host major e-Science projects (i.e., Nordic WLCG Tier-1)
- Develop grid middleware and services

NDGF 2006-2010

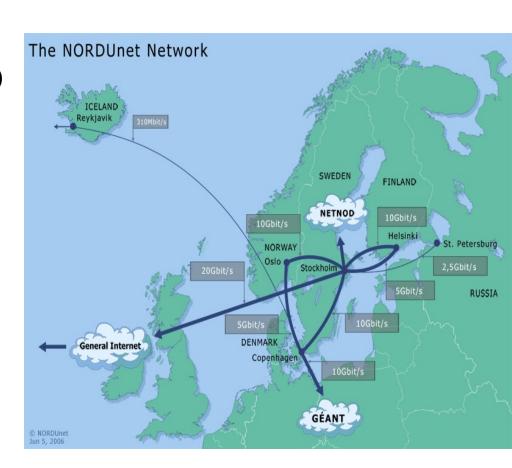
- Funded (2 M.EUR/year) by National Research Councils of the Nordic countries
- Builds on a history of Nordic grid collaboration





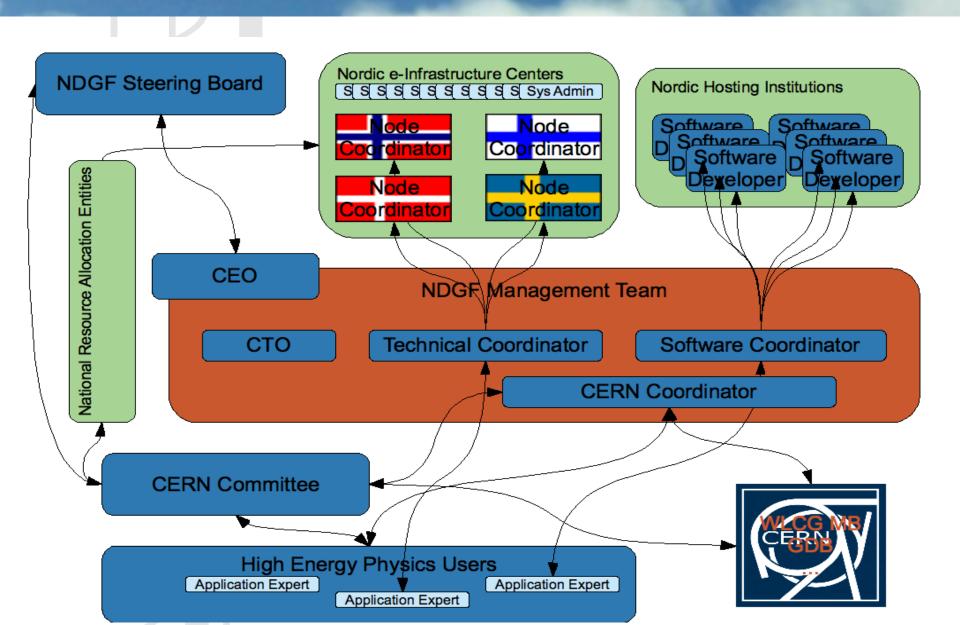
NORDUnet A/S

- The Nordic Regional Research and Educational Network (RREN)
- Owned by the 5 Nordic National RENs
- 25 Years of Nordic network collaboration
- Leverage National Initiatives
- Participates in major international efforts
- Represents Nordic NRENS internationally, gateway to the Nordic area





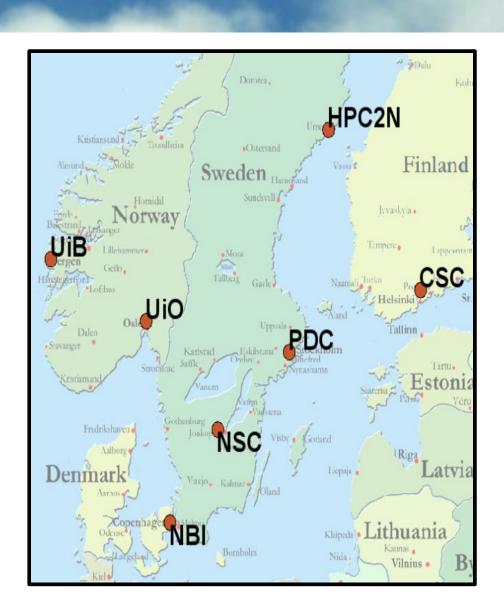
Organization – CERN related





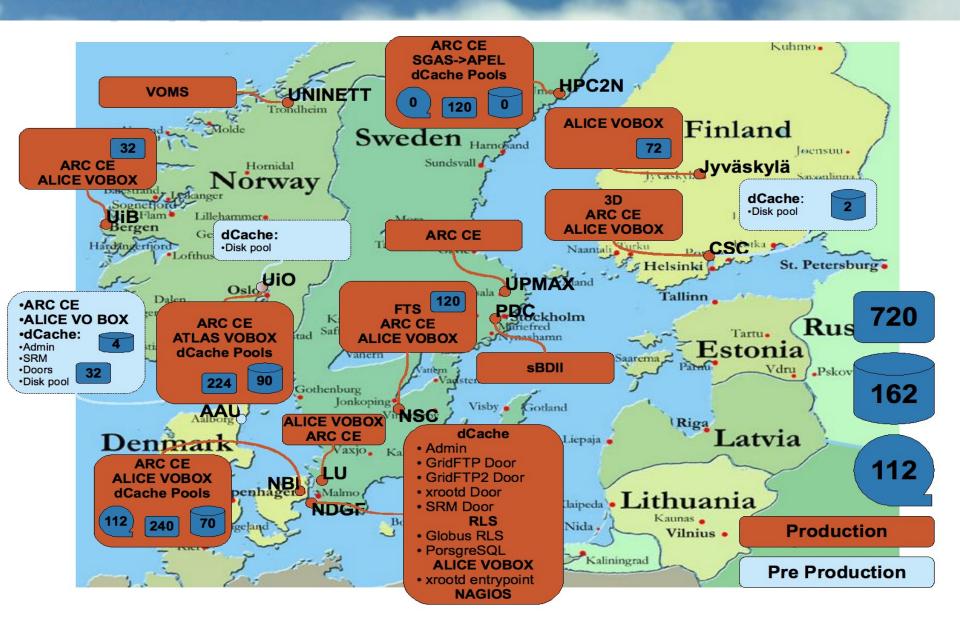
NDGF Tier-1 Resource Centers

- The 7 biggest Nordic compute centers, dTier-1s, form the NDGF Tier-1
- Resources (Storage and Computing) are scattered
- Services can be centralized
- Advantages in redundancy
- Especially for 24x7 data taking





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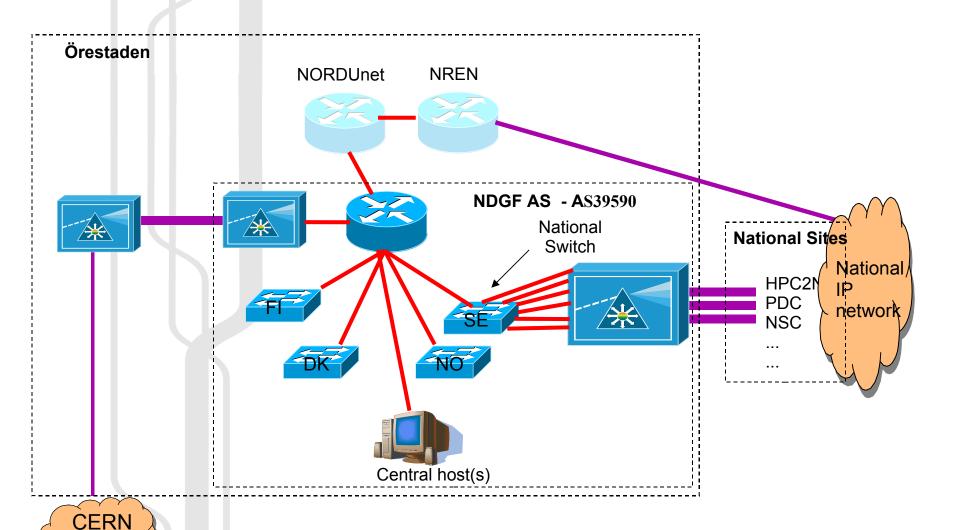




Tier-1 Services: Networking

- Today NDGF is connected directly with GEANT 10GBit fiber to CERN
- Inter-Nordic shared 10Gbit network from NORDUnet
- A Dedicated 10Gbit LAN covering all dTier-1 centers next year

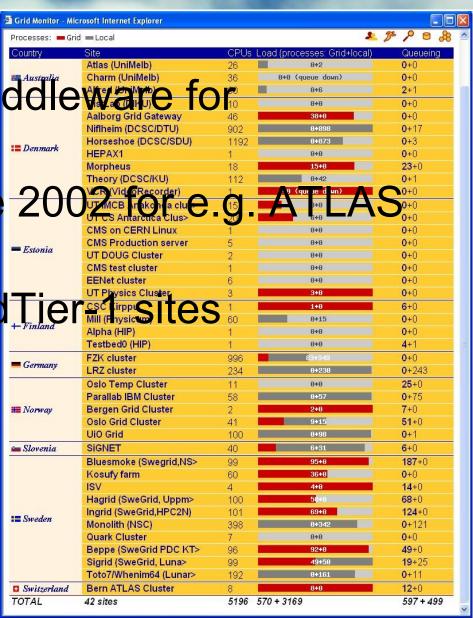
NDEF Tier-1 Services: Networking / OPN





Tier-1 Services: Computing

- NorduGrid / ARC middle
 Computing
- Used routinely since 200 data challenges
- Deployed at all the deployed



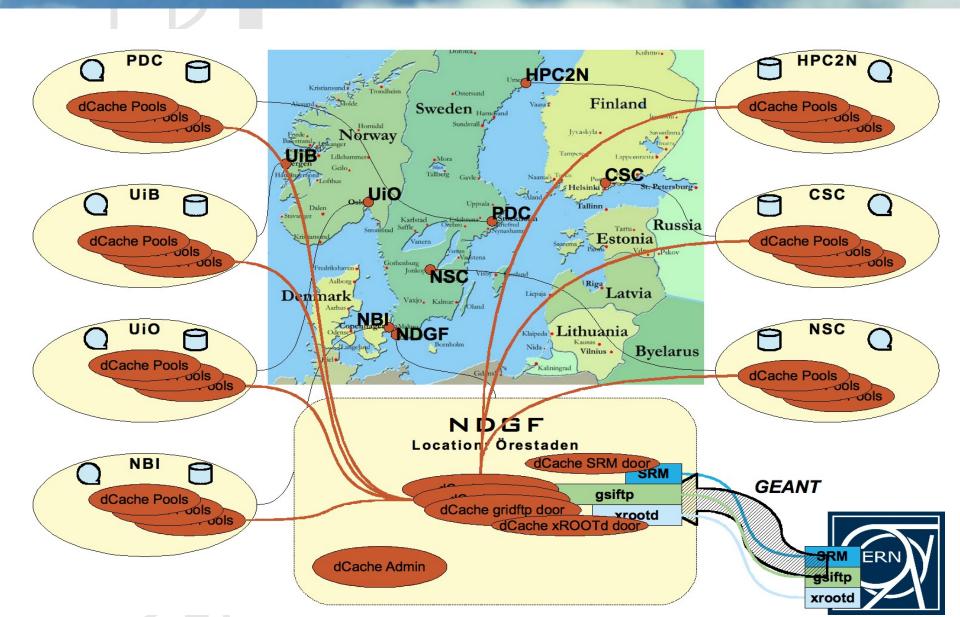


Storage

- dCache Installation
- Admin and Door nodes at GEANT endpoint
- Pools at sites
- Very close collaboration with DESY to ensure dCache is suited also for distributed use



NDGF Storage





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Central Installation:

- 7 Dell 1950 2xDual Core 2GHz Xeon, 4GB RAM, 2 x
 73GB 15k SAS disks (mirrored) (one forspare)
- 2 x Dell PowerVault MD-1000 direct attached storage enclosures with 7 x 143GB 15k SAS RAID-10 each

Running:

- 2 Postgress for PNFS running in HA mode (master-slave) DB on MD-1000
- 1 PNFS Manager and Pool Manager
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See talk on dCache and gridFTP2

- A Distributed Storage System with dCache
- Carson Hall C at 16.50



FTS

- Running FTS2.0
- Patched version of Globus supporting GridFTP2
- Located in Linkjöping:
 - 1 Server for FTS
 - 1 Server for Oracle database
- Channels:
 - STAR-NDGF
 - others...



- Minimal setup located in Helsinki:
 - One dual core dual Xeon box with 4GB of memory
 - no RAC, just one server
 - High availability SAN storage
 - a bit more than one TB of space allocated for data

upgrade to 3-5 node RAC in 2008



ATLAS VO Services

NDGF

- implemented
 - ARC uses Globus RLS

ATLAS VOBox (ARC flavor) services fully ARC

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The Nordic Data Grid Facility (NDGF) consists of Grid resources running ARC middleware in Scandinavia and other countries. These resources serve many virtual organisations and contribute a large fraction of total worldwide resources for the ATLAS experiment, whose data is distributed and managed by the DQ2 software. Managing ATLAS data within NDGF and data distribution between NDGF and other Grids used by ATLAS (the LHC Computing Grid and the Open Science Grid) presents a unique challenge for several reasons. Firstly, the entry point for data, the Tier 1 centre, is physically distributed among heterogeneous resources in several countries and yet must present a single access point for all data stored within the centre. The middleware framework used in NDGF differs significantly fron other Grids, specifically in the way that all data movement and registration is performed by services outside the worke node environment. Also, the service used for cataloging the location of data files is different from other Grids but must still be useable by DQ2 and ATLAS users to locate data within NDGF. This poster presents in detail how we solve



can accept data from CERN at

- US-ATLAS-LRC view on the mysql
- Enables outside ATLAS subscription to data

stored on old Ses

and internal through RLS

Endpoint (Copenhagen) ftp1.ndaf.ora data management system. It sends data to the Tier 1 srm.ndaf.ora pnfs1.ndgf.or dcache.ndgf.org endpoint at srm.ndqf.org. The data is physically distributed around the Tier 1 dCache

Data streaming at 50 MB/s

listributed Tier 1 see Talk #147.

Tier 1

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See poster #74 Wednesday

Globus RLS Service DB

The web service approach involves deploying a simple service which interfaces to RLS and can be queried by any HTTP client (eg curl). The web service queries RLS using SQL directly on the RLS DB tables, or using the Globus client tool. This tool gives good performance but requires setting up and

globus-rls-cli

The MySQL view approach involves creating a special database to expose the data in RLS in a way that looks like a MySQL LRC. These are the replica catalogs used in the Open Science Grid (OSG) in the USA with which DQ2 is already integrated. This MySQL view has the advantage of being easy to set up and requiring no additional resources, however it does not give optimal performance, especially with bulk queries.

Dulcinea is the executor for the ATLAS production system. It is in charge of executing simulation tasks assigned to NorduGrid.

ATLAS MC Production

Dulcinea

Dulcinea registers attributes required by DQ2 (eq.GLIID and MD5 checksum) in the RLS and egisters the new output files in DQ2

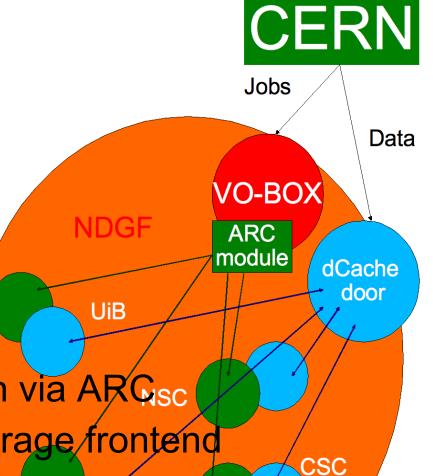


ALICE VO Services



- Jyväskylä
- -CSC
- NSC
- LUNARC
- DCSC/KU
- UiB using submission via ARGsc
- Örestaden xrootd storage frontend

See poster #75 Wednesday





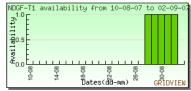
Service Availability Monitoring

SAM sensors:

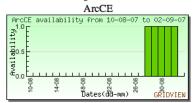
- BDII
- SE
- SRM
- -FTS

- ARC-CE
 - This is the only different sensor as compared to other sites

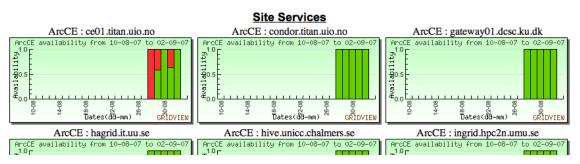
Overall Service Availability for site NDGF-T1 : Daily Report



Individual Service Availability for site NDGF-T1: Daily Report



Service Instance Availability for site NDGF-T1 : Daily Report



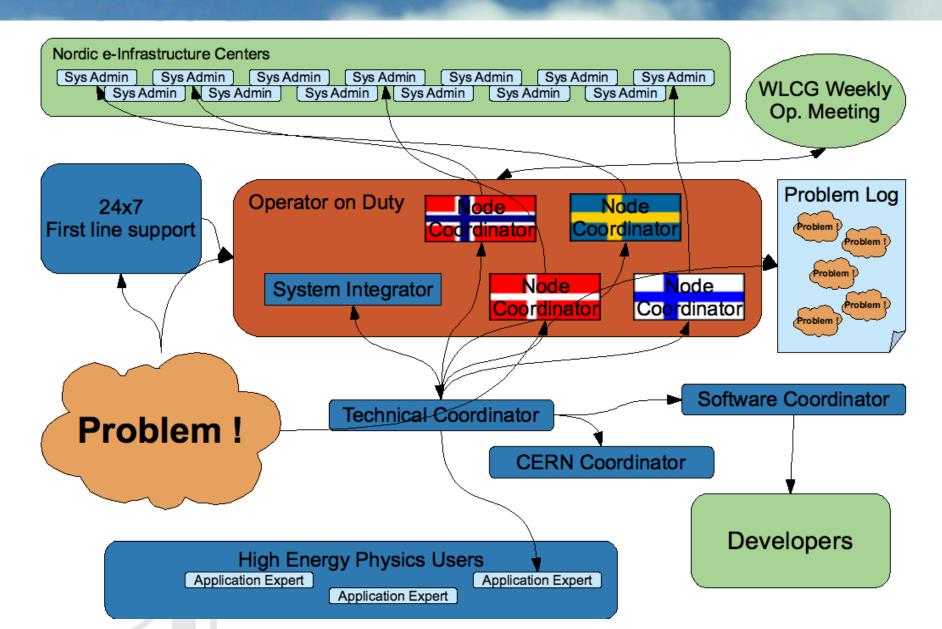


Accounting

- Sites report using SGAS
 - (SweGrid Accounting System)
- SGAS report translated to APEL
- Injected into the APEL DB
- Functional from September 07
 - some sites already accounted



Operation





Conclusions

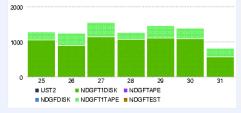
Throughput (MB/s)

We have build a distributed T

dCache – for storage

ARC for computing

Interoperabel with:



■ NDGET1DISK ■ NDGETAPE

Completed File Transfers



■ NDGFT1DISK ■ NDGFTAPE

■ NDGFDISK ■ NDGFT1TAPE ■ NDGFTEST

Data Transferred (GBytes)



- ATLAS

- ARC monitoring and accounting distability for site NDGF-T1: Daily Report

- LCG monitoring and accounting

It works





Individual Service Availability for site NDGF-T1 : Daily Report

