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Grid Information System: User Interface, Internals and APIs

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Information arriving in Venezuela

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Arriving in a new country:

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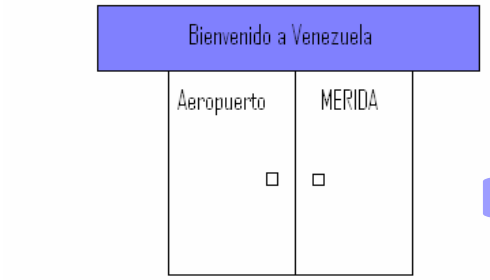
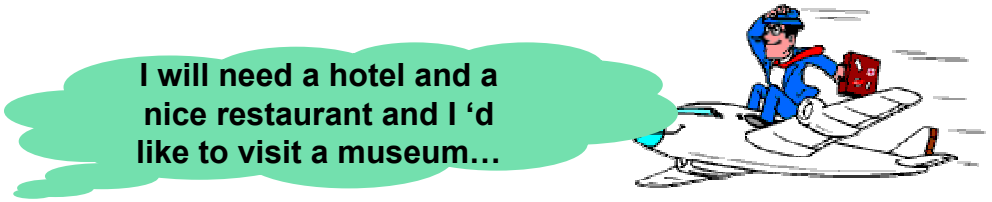
My entry door: The airport





…e needs …formation!!

These are Information Servers… I do not know how they get the info. I trust them

…Desk

Interactive Screens, etc

Restaurants, hotels, taxis, buses… are

SERVICES

Information arriving in GRID

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Arriving in a new country:

GRID

My entry door: The UI

I will need a site with more than 30 CPUs and available space of 2TB and…

She needs information!!

I have several tools to get this information. It depends on what I want and how I want it. However this time it might be important how the information is retrieved

CEs, SEs, sites are SERVICES

Uses of the IS in EGEE/LCG

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If you are a user

Retrieve information of Grid resources and status

Get the information of your jobs status

If you are a middleware develop

Workload Management System:
Matching job requirements and Grid resources

Monitoring Services:
Retrieving information of Grid Resources status and availability

If you are site manager or service

You “generate” the information for example relative to your site or to a given service

Elements behind the IS

```
**********************************************************************************
These are the data for alice: (in terms of CPUs)
**********************************************************************************
#CPU   Free    Total Jobs     Running    Waiting     Computing Element

--------------------------------------------------------------------------------

52      51        0              0           0    ce.prd.hp.com:2119/jobmanager-lcgpbs-long

16      14        3              2           1    lcg06.sinp.msu.ru:2119/jobmanager-lcgpbs-long

[..........]

The total values are:
----------------------
10347   5565      2717        924        1793
```

- **Something has managed this information: (General IS architecture)**

She will use some EGEE/LCG tools and after few moments…

- **Something has provided it: (Providers, Servers)**
- **It is following a certain "schema": (GLUE Schema)**
- **And she has accessed it following a protocol: (Access Protocol: LDAP)**

The Information System Elements

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MDS: Monitoring and Discovery Service

- Adopted from Globus
- It is the general architecture of EGEE/LCG to manage Grid information

General steps:

1st. At each site **providers** report static and dynamic service status to **servers**

2nd. A **central system** queries these servers and stores the retrieved information in a database

3rd. This information will be accessed through a given **access protocol**

4th. The central system provides the information in a **given schema**

MDS is the EGEE/LCG Information System

The LDAP Protocol: Generalities

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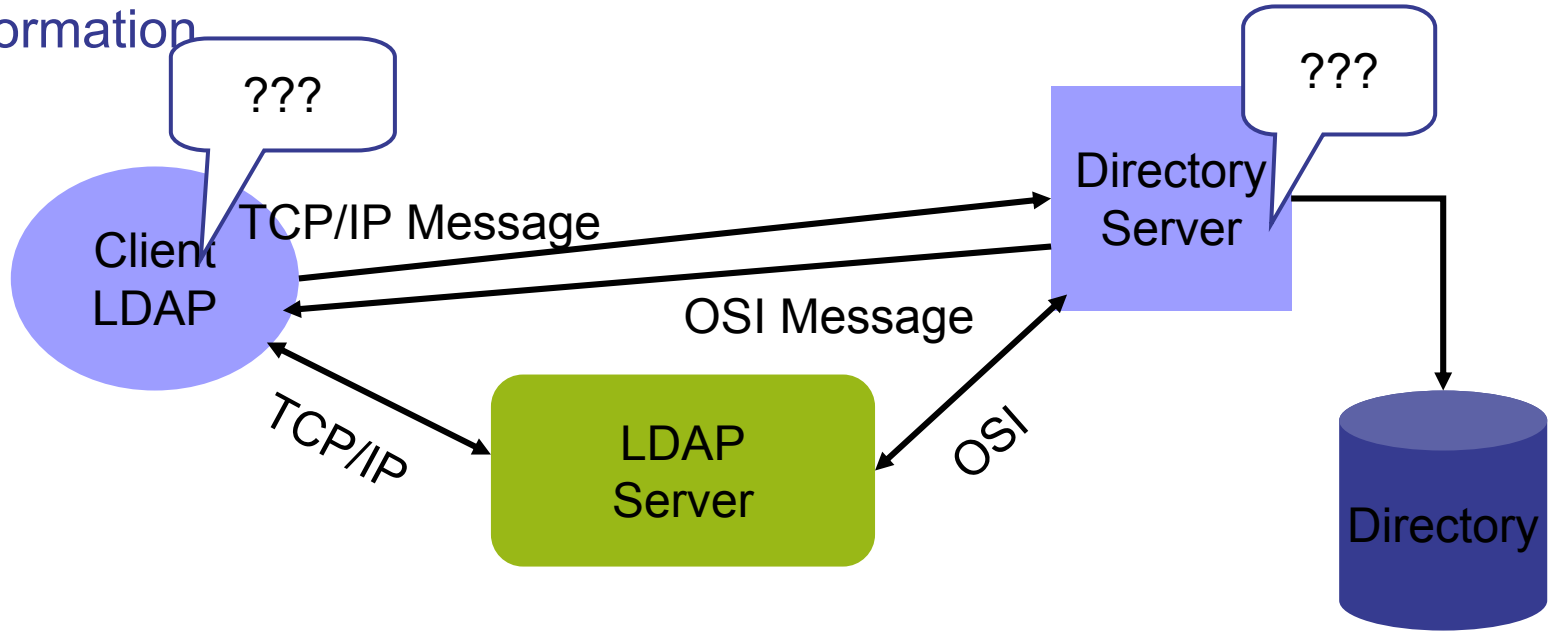
LDAP (Lightweight Directory Access Protocol)

√ It establishes the transport and format of the messages used by a client to access a directory

√ LDAP can be used as access protocol for a large number of databases

√ It provides a standard data model; the DIT (Data Information Tree)

√ It is the internal protocol used by the EGEE/LCG services to share information



The LDAP Protocol: The Data Inputs

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► The LDAP information model is based on **entries**

► These are **attribute** collections defined by a unique and global DN (Distinguished Name)

► Information is organized in a tree-like structure. A special attribute, **objectclass**, can be defined for each entry. It defines the classes tree corresponding to this entry. This attribute can be used to filter entries containing that object class

► The information is imported and exported from and to the LDAP server by **LDIF files** (LDAP Data Interchange Format)

```
dn: <distinguished name>
objectclass:<objectclassname>
<attributetype>:<attributevalue>
<attributetype>:<attributevalue>

dn: <distinguished name>
objectclass:<objectclassname>
<attributetype>:<attributevalue>
<attributetype>:<attributevalue>
```

► Those fields delimited by <> can be defined by the application following a certain **schema**

►The schema describes the attributes and the types associated with the data objects

The LDAP Protocol: DIT

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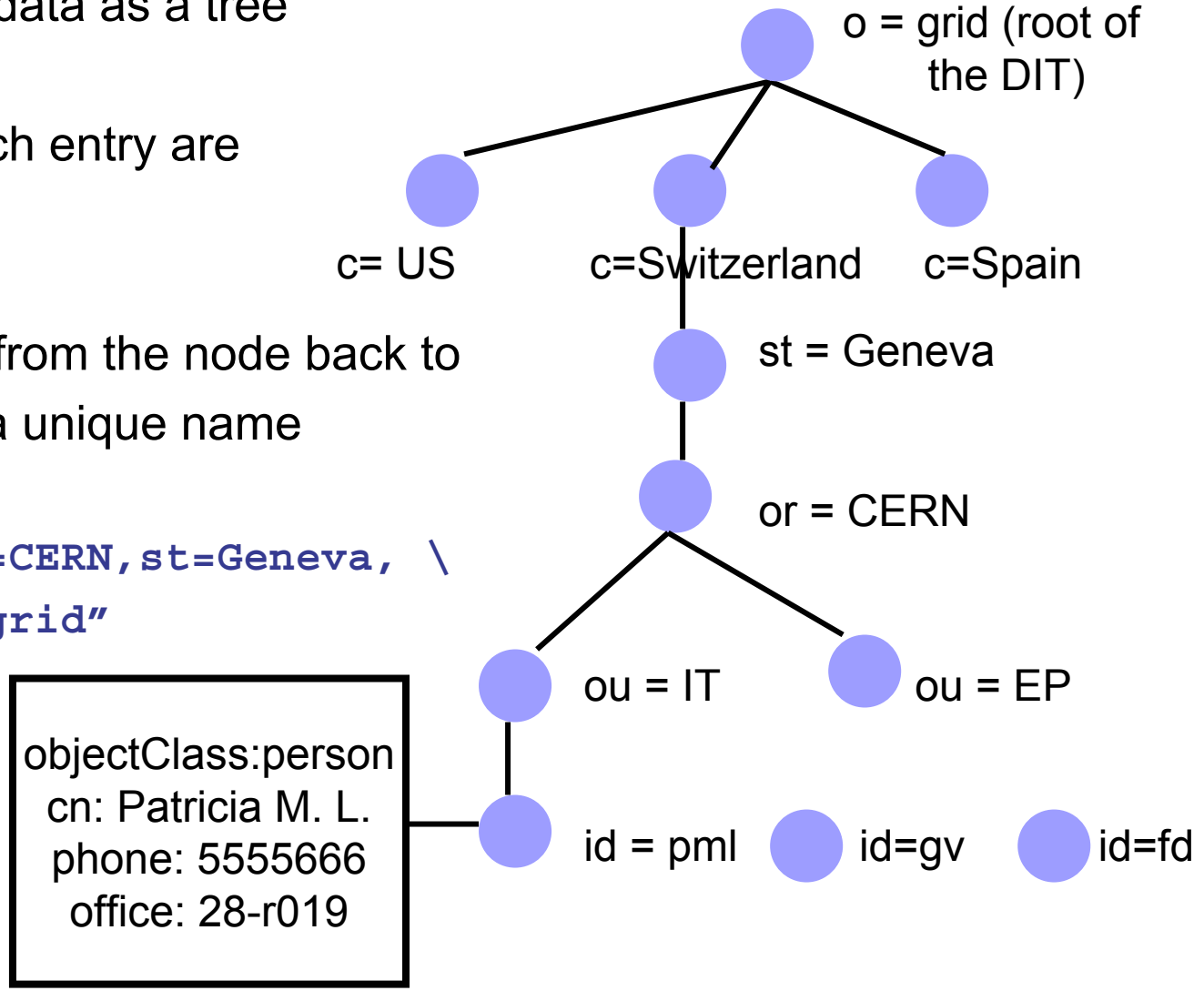
- LDAP structures data as a tree
- The values of each entry are uniquely named
- Following a path from the node back to the root of the DIT, a unique name is built (the DN):

```
"id=pml,ou=IT,or=CERN,st=Geneva, \
c=Switzerland,o=grid"
```



The Glue Schema in EGEE/LCG: Design

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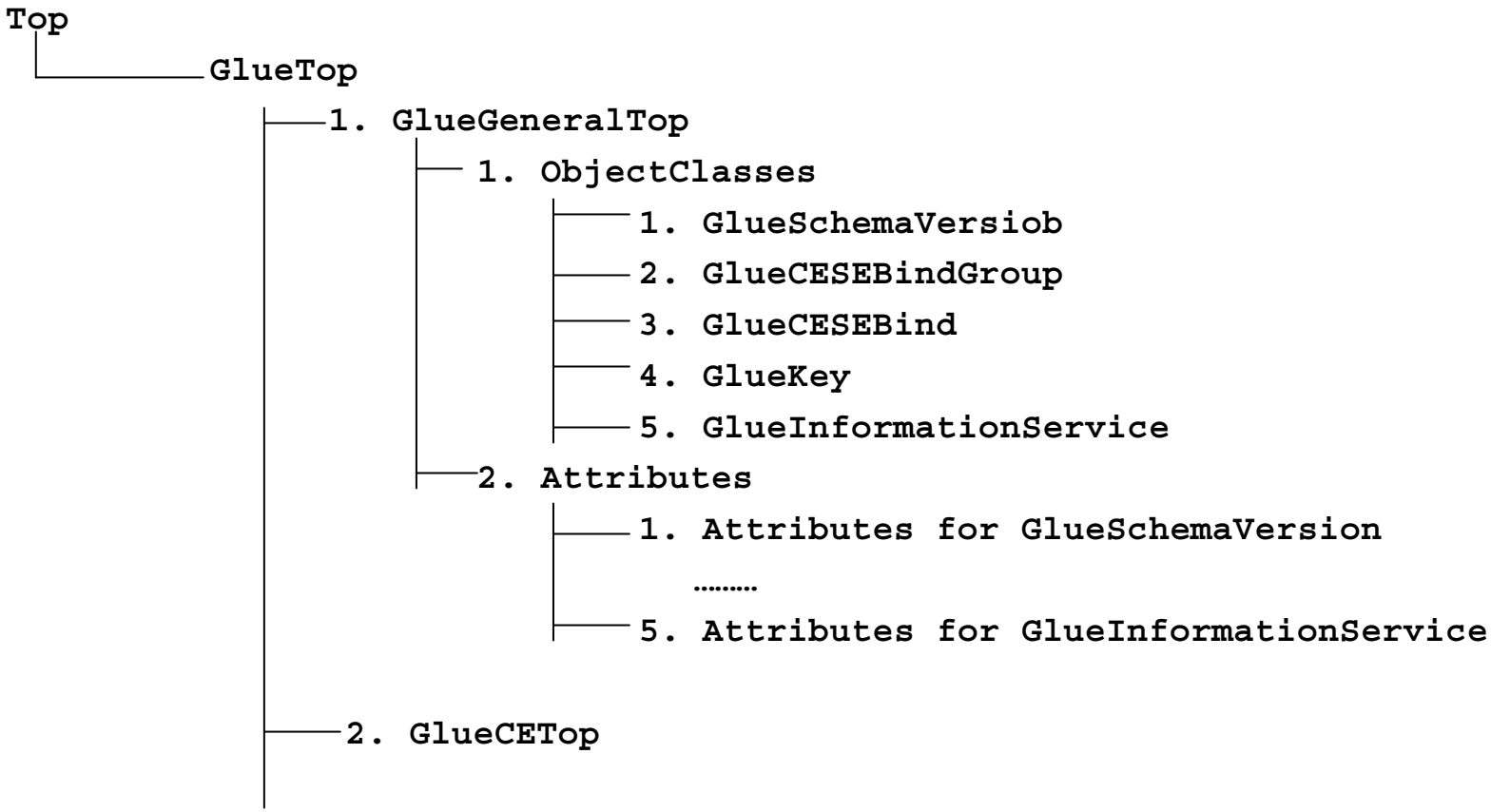
- ♠ It describes the Grid resources information stored by the IS
- ♠ It follows the DIT hierarchical structure for objectclasses and attributes:



The Glue Schema in EGEE/LCG: Examples

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1. Some General Attributes:

- Base class (`objectclass: GlueTop`): No attributes
- Schema Version Number (`objectclass: GlueSchemaVersion`)
  - `GlueSchemaVersionMajor`: Major Schema Version Number
  - `GlueSchemaVersionMinor`: Minor Schema Version Number

2. Attributes for the CE

- Base Class (`objectclass: GlueCETop`): No attributes
- CE (`objectclass: GlueCE`)
  - `GlueCEUniqueID`: Unique identifier for the CE

3. Attributes for the SE

- Base Class (`objectclass: GlueSETop`): No attributes
- Architecture (`objectclass: GlueSLArchitecture`)
  - `GlueSLArchitectureType`: type of storage hardware (disk, tape, etc)

4. Mixed Attributes

- Association between one CE and one or more SEs (`objectclass: GlueCESEBindGroup`)
  - `GlueCESEBindGroupCEUniqueID`: unique ID for the CE
  - `GlueCESEBindGroupSEUniqueID`: unique ID for the SE

The Glue Schema in EGEE/LCG: DIT

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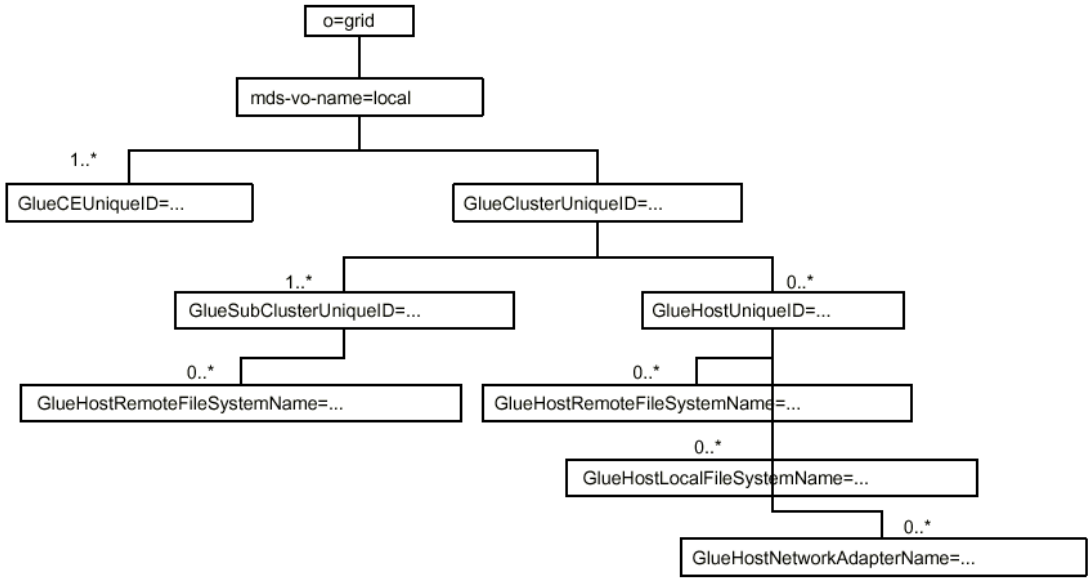
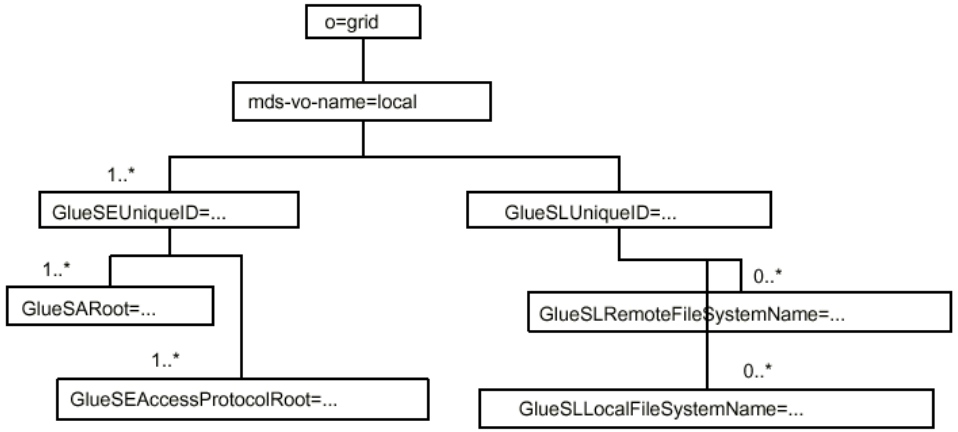


DIT for the Computer Resources

DIT for the Storage Resources



How to handle the Information in an LDAP server

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- OpenLDAP is an open source implementation of LDAP protocol
- It provides CLI and C/C++ APIs to search, add, remove, modify entries in the directory. Synchronous and asynchronous operations are allowed
- APIs description:
  http://www.openldap.org/software/man.cgi?query=ldap
- All these APIs have correspondent CLIs already included in the distribution
  - → ldapadd
  - → ldapdelete
  - → ldapmodify
  - → ldapsearch

  (Make a *"man"* to these commands to get more information)
- OpenLDAP includes also:
  - → JLDAP: LDAP class libraries for Java
  - → JDBC: LDAP-Java JDBC-LDAP Bridge Driver

The use of the command lines in LDAP

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♠ ldapsearch

Read port of the BDII

```
% ldapsearch \
   -x \                                          Simple authentication
   -H ldap://grid017.ct.infn.it:2170 \           Uniform resource identifier
   -b 'mds-vo-name=local,o=grid' \               Base DN for search
   '(objectclass=GlueSE)' \                      Filter
   GlueSEUniqueID \                              Attributes to be returned
```

(Make "man ldapsearch" to retrieve the whole set of options)

The ldapsearch Implementation in EGEE/LCG

Some wrappers of ldapsearch exist in LCG middleware, but they are not directly exposed to users

→ Part of the internal WMS software

→ Part of the Monitoring tools

ldapsearch test

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Test the following commands on your PC:

```
% ldapsearch -x -LLL -h grid017.ct.infn.it -p
  2170 -b "o=grid"
```

```
% ldapsearch -x -LLL -h grid017.ct.infn.it -p
  2170 -b "o=grid" '(objectclass=GlueSE)'
  GlueSEName GlueSEPort
```

Change objectclasses, attributes...

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♠ ldapadd, ldapmodify, ldapdelete

Write port of the BDII

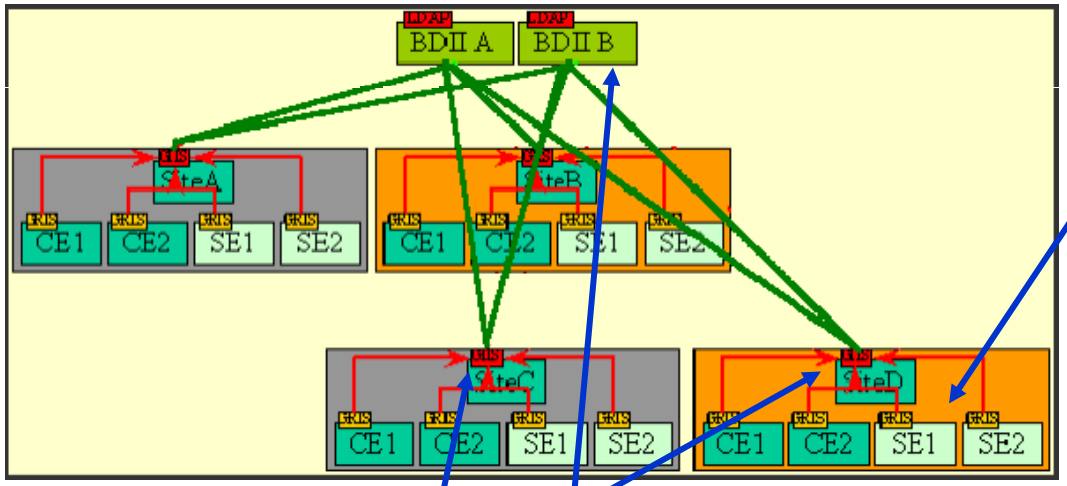
```
% ldapadd \
  -x \                                          Simple authentication
  -H ldap://grid017.ct.infn.it:2171 \           Uniform resource identifier
  -D 'mds-vo-name=local,o=grid' \               DN binddn to bind to the
                                                  directory
  -f <your-file>                                File containing your new
                                                  entry
```

ldapadd, ldapmodify and ldapdelete in LCG-2

- LCG does NOT allow the use of these commands to create or modify information
- Several tools have been developed to include information in the servers
  - → They are not based on LDAP
  - → The query tools of LDAP can however retrieve this information

Collectors and Providers

GRISs, GIISs and BDII



- **Local GRISs** run on CEs and SEs at each site and report dynamic and static information regarding the status and availability of the services

```
% ldapsearch -x -h <hostname> -p 2135 -b "mds-vo-name=local,o=grid"
```

- At each site, a **site GIIS** collects the information of all resources given by the GRISs

```
% ldapsearch -x -h <hostname> -p 2135 -b "mds-vo-name=<name>,o=grid"
```

- Each site can run a **BDII**. It collects the information coming from the GIISs and collects it in a data base

```
% ldapsearch -x -h <hostname> -p 2170 -b "o=grid"
```

The BDII

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This is the information server directly invoked by users and services

√ Because only those sites listed in the BDII really exist (it registers site GIISs)

√ Because it provides information to the RB (to find resources)

√ Because it is needed by the data management tools. The "`lcg-utils`" tools use it (see the Data Management talk)

√ Fundamental service to allow for stability (seen many times during the Alice DC for example). It is possible to define a hierarchy of Information Systems.

√ Because it can be configured by each VO following its needs using global production configuration file distributed by CERN via AFS.

`/afs/cern.ch/project/gd/www/gis/lcg2-bdii/<alice>`

→ The VOs members and the LCG group have access to these files

→ Each VO decides where jobs should be executed independently of the rest of the Grid

The BDII

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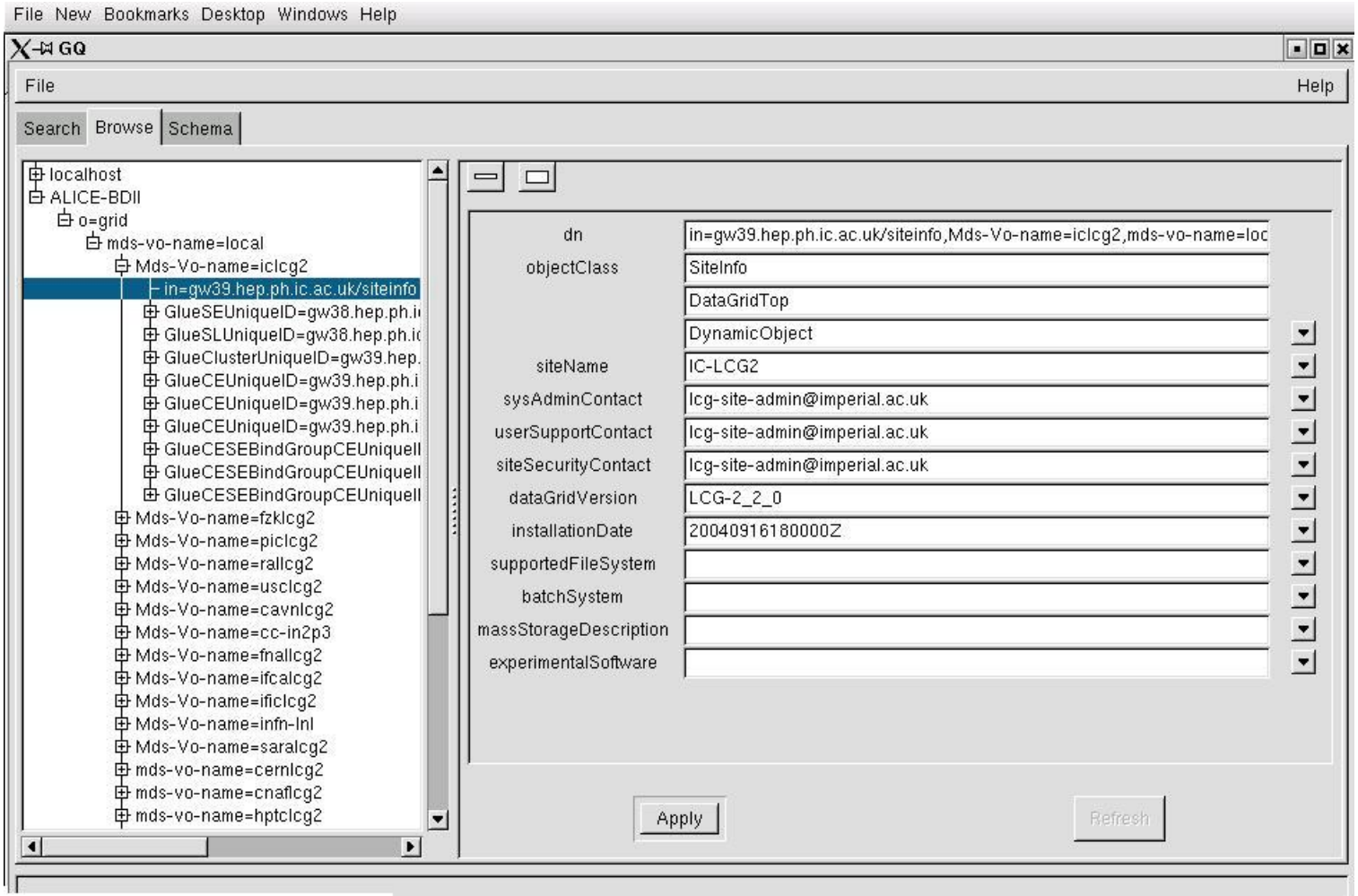
DIT of the Alice BDII for Production



globus-mds: top responsible service

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► Lower level: GRIS

- Scripts and configuration files generate ldif files containing the information (for example, general information of the nodes)
- Other tools responsible of the dynamic information (for example, available and/or used space into a SE) – the so called information providers
- globus-mds runs such tools every few seconds. The system merges the dynamic information with the static one and register it to the local cache.

► Medium level: local GIIS

- Same procedure taking the information from the registered GRISs

► High level: BDII

- Publish the information of the site GIISs making a refresh every 2 minutes

► An example: the Resource Broker

- This is a Grid service and publishes its information and status to the information system as described above (it is a server)
- However it uses a BDII for matchmaking purposes (it is a client)

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1. You are a user with no privileges

- Using LDAP you cannot generate but just retrieve information (ldapsearch)
- Some C++ APIs and scripts have been developed to make this job easier

♠ lcg-is-search

LDAP C++ API included in LCG-2 to retrieve information

☺ Why the need for this tool?

1. API allows users to interrogate the IS from any application or services
2. Better way of presenting the information (no way with ldapsearch)

☺ Which kind of tools are installed? (rpm: lcg-info-api-ldap-1.1-1.4 included in Gilda testbed)

1. A library: `/opt/lcg/lib/liblcg-info-api-ldap`
2. Headers: `/opt/lcg/include/lcg-info-api-ldap/`
3. Several handy executables: `lcg-is-search`, `lcg-infosites`, …

☺ Where do I find it?

WNs and UIs in `/opt/lcg/bin`

This will be tested during the hands-on session

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```
> lcg-is-search -h <host> -f objectclass=<your_request> -a \
'<your_attributes>'
```

lcg-is-search basic Code

```
#include<dlfcn.h>
#include<iostream> (<strtream>)
#include<vector> (<iterator>, <string>)

#include <lcg-info-api-ldap/InfoFromLDAP.h>
#include<lcg-info-api-ldap/AllInfoLDAP.h>

int main (int argc, char*argv[]){
char *hosttest;
char* first_ptr;
char* last_ptr;
hosttest = getenv("LCG_GFAL_INFOSYS");
first_ptr = hosttest;
last_ptr = strchr(hostest,":");
*last_ptr = '\0';
++last_ptr;
std::string host(first_ptr);
typedef enum {_param_,_host_,_port_,_filter_,_attr_} arg_t;
arg_t expected = _param_;
```

to include DLOPEN

including classes of the package

If not specified, the host will be taken from LCG_GFAL_INFOSYS

including external arguments

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lcg-is-search basic Code (cont.)

```
for (int i = 1; i<argc: i++){
   string token;
   bool read_token = true;
   istream* in = new istrstream(argv[i]);
   switch (expected){
   case _port_: (*in) >> port; expected = _param_;break;
   case _host_: (*in) >> host; expected = _host_;break;
   case _filter_: (*in) >> filter; expected = _filter_;break;
   case _attr_: (*in) >> attribute;
   if (attribute[0] !='-'){
      attributes.push_back(attribute.c_str());
      break;
   }
   else {
      token = attribute.c_str();
      read_token = false;
   }
     default:
       if(read_token) (*in) >> token;
       if(token =="-p") expected = _port_;
       else if(token == "-h") expected = _host_;
       else if(token == "-f") expected = _filter_;
       else if(token == "-a") expected = _attr_;
```

Part of the code
To include external arguments

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lcg-is-search basic Code (cont.)

```
  else {
     cout<<"invalid parameter" <<token<<endl;
   }
 }
 delete in;

#ifndef __WINDOWS__;
char* lib_loc = "liblcg-info-api-ldap.so";

void *InfoFromLDAP = dlopen(lib_loc,RTLD_LAZY);

create_t* create_infoldap = (create_t*)dlsym(InfoFromLDAP,"create");
destroy_t* destroy_infoldap = (destroy_t*)dlsym(InfoFromLDAP,"destroy");

AllInfoFromLDAP *ldapinfo = create_infoldap();
ldapinfo-> query(host,filter,attributes,port);

destroy_infoldap(ldapinfo);
dlclose(InfoFromLDAP);
#endif
}
```

including the library to load

loading dynamically the library

instantiating the class

calling its method

destroying the pointer

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InfoFromLDAP.h

```
#include "AllInfoLDAP.h"
#include "LDAPConnection.h"
```
← one of the LDAP wrappers

```
class InfoFromLDAP: public AllInfoLDAP{
```
← price to pay to include the dlopen package

```
Public:
   InfoFromLDAP();
   ~InfoFromLDAP();

   virtual void query(string, string, vector<string>, int);
```
the method of the class

```
Private:
   LDAPConnection* connection;
```
← pointer to connect the server

```
}
```

AllInfoLDAP.h

```
class AllInfoLDAP{
public:
virtual void query(string, string, vector<string>,int) = 0;
};
typedef AllInfoLDAP* create_t();
typedef void destroy_t(AllInfoLDAP*);
```
← mandatory because of dlopen

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InfoFromLDAP.cpp

```
#include "LDAPQuery.h"
#include "LDAPSynchConnection.h"
#include "LDAPForwardIterator.h"
#include "InfoFromLDAP.h"

InfoFromLDAP::InfoFromLDAP(){};
InfoFromLDAP::~InfoFromLDAP(){};

void InfoFromLDAP::query(string host, string filter, vector<string> attributes,
     int port){
string information_index = "o=grid";
int timeout = 30;

connection = new LDAPSynchConnection (information_index,host,port,timeout);
copy (attributes.begin(),attributes.end(),ostream_iterator<string>(cout," "));

LDAPQuery query(connection,filter,attributes);

Connection -> open();
Query.execute();

LDAPForwardIterator ldap_it(query.tuples());
```

wrappers of LDAP

instantiating a synch connection

informing of the query to perform

connecting with the server

executing the query

iterating the IS buffer

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InfoFromLDAP.cpp (cont)

```
ldap_it.first();
while (ldap_it.current() ){
  cout<< (*ldap_it) << endl;
  ldap_it.next();
}

connection->close();
};

extern "C" AllInfoLDAP* create();{
   return new InfoFromLDAP;
}
extern "C" void destroy(AllInfoLDAP*a){
  delete a;
}
```

results printed through the screen

looping through the buffer

closing the connection

price to pay because dlopen

It seems dlopen is quite difficult to use (additional classes and code) but has fundamental advantages

dlopen

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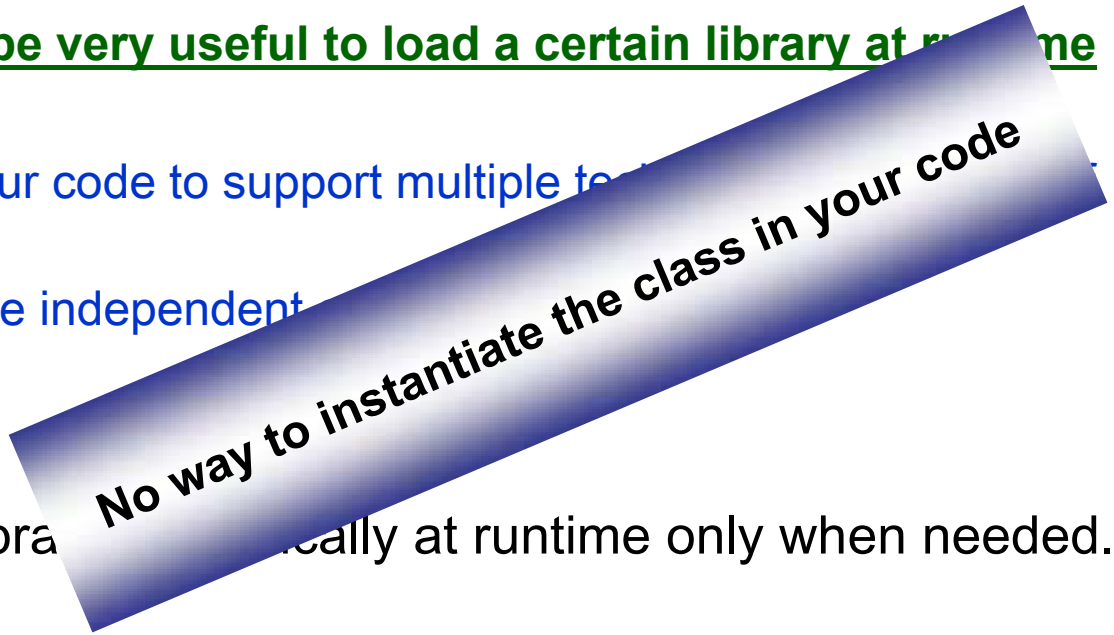
In some situations it can be very useful to load a certain library at r me

►In many cases you want your code to support multiple te
plug-ins

►You want to make your code independent



- **The Solution:**

Plug-ins usage: load the libra cally at runtime only when needed.

- **But….**

It is quite easy to do in in C but not so easy in C++:

→ Because of name mangling

→ Because you have to expose the symbols of the whole class in C++

- **Solution:**
- Extern “C” (for the name mangling)
- Polymorphism (for the classes)

dlopen in our code

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♠ In our code we want to load a class into the main (`lcg-is-search`); `InfoFromLDAP` to use its method query

♠ We cannot use `"new"` to instantiate the class

Solution:

1. We define a base class: `AllInfoLDAP.h` (pure virtual) and `InfoFromLDAP` will be derived from it (called module)

AllInfoLDAP.h

```
// the types of the class factory
typedef AllInfoLDAP* create_t();
typedef void destroy_t (AllInfoLDAP*)
```

2. Inside the module two helper functions (class factory functions) will be defined as extern "C"

InfoFromLDAP.cpp

```
// the class factories
extern "C" AllInfoLDAP* create() {result new InfoFromLDAP;}
extern "C" void destroy(AllInfoLDAP* a) {delete a;}
```

dlopen in our code

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Finally in the code **lcg_is_search.cpp**

```
void *InfoFromLDAP = dlopen("your lib",RTLD_LAZY);

create_t* create_infoldap = (create_t*)   \
      dlsym(InfoFromLDAP,"create");
destroy_t* destroy_infoldap = (destroy_t*)   \
      dlsym(InfoFromLDAP,"destroy");

AllInfoLDAP* ldapinfo = create_infoldap();
ldapinfo ->query;

destroy_infoldap(ldapinfo);
dlclose(InfoFromLDAP)
```

implementation

Seems similar to new…

Using the method

Seems similar to delete…

lcg-is-search tests

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You can try the same queries you made with ldapsearch:

```
% /opt/lcg/bin/lcg-is-search -f objectclass=GlueSE -a GlueSEName GlueSEPort
```

- You do not have additional information you did not ask for (the DNs)
- The lines are not cut at the end

Compare with ldapsearch

```
lcg-is-search -f objectclass=GlueTop -a'(& (GlueServiceType=edg-local-replica-
   catalog) (GlueServiceAccessControlRule))' GlueServiceAccessPointURL
```

First of all you do not care about hosts or ports. Just in the case you want an specific host, otherwise lcg-is-search looks at the one in default

```
ldapsearch -h grid017.ct.infn.it -p 2170 -x -LLL -b "o=grid"
   '(objectclass=GlueTop)' '(& (GlueServiceType=edg-local-replica-catalog)
   (GlueServiceAccessControlRule))' GlueServiceAccessPointURL
```

- You do not ask for the DN
- The lines are cut at the end of the buffer. It's very difficult to wrap this information into your code

Implementation of lcg_is_search in LCG-2

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♠ lcg-infosites

- This is a script which invokes lcg-is-search
- Already deployed in LCG-2 in the last release
- It is intended to be the most complete information retriever for the user:
  - √ Once he arrives at the Grid (on UIs)
  - √ To be used by the user applications (on WNs)
- Several versions of this script have been included in the software packages of ATLAS and the monitoring services of Alice (MonAlisa)
- You do not need a proxy

This will be tested during the hands-on session

lcg-infosites

```
> lcg-infosites --vo <your_vo> feature --is <your_bdii>
```

- It's mandatory to include the vo and the feature
- The –is option means the BDII you want to query. If not supplied, the BDII defined into the LCG_GFAL_INFOSYS will be interrogated

Features and descriptions:

closeSE	Names of the CEs where the user's VO is allowed to run together with their corresponding closest SEs
ce	Number of CPUs, running and waiting jobs and names of the CEs
se	SEs names together with the available and used space
lrc (rmc)	Name of the lrc (rmc) for the user's VO
all	It groups all the features just described
help	Description of the script

lcg-infosites

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```
> lcg-infosites --vo alice se --is lxb2006.cern.ch
```

```
************************************************
These are the data for alice: (in terms of SE)
************************************************
Avail Space (Kb)      Used Space (Kb)             SEs
-----------------------------------------------------------------
33948480              2024792                  se.prd.hp.com
506234244             62466684                 teras.sara.nl
1576747008            3439903232               gridkap02.fzk.de
1000000000000         500000000000             castorgrid.cern.ch
304813432             133280412                gw38.hep.ph.ic.ac.uk
651617160             205343480                mu2.matrix.sara.nl
1000000000000         1000000000               lcgads01.gridpp.rl.ac.uk
415789676             242584960                cclcgseli01.in2p3.fr
264925500             271929024                se-a.ccc.ucl.ac.uk
668247380             5573396                  seitep.itep.ru
766258312             681359036                t2-se-02.lnl.infn.it
660325800             1162928716               tbn17.nikhef.nl
1000000000000         1000000000000            castorftp.cnaf.infn.it
14031532              58352476                 lcgse01.gridpp.rl.ac.uk
1113085032            1034242456               zeus03.cyf-kr.edu.pl
                     [... ... ... ... ...]
```

lcg-infosites

```
**********************************************************************************
These are the data for alice: (in terms of CPUs)
**********************************************************************************
#CPU   Free    Total Jobs     Running    Waiting     Computing Element

--------------------------------------------------------------------------------

52      51        0              0           0    ce.prd.hp.com:2119/jobmanager-lcgpbs-long

16      14        3              2           1    lcg06.sinp.msu.ru:2119/jobmanager-lcgpbs-long

[..........]

The total values are:
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10347   5565      2717        924        1793
```

She will use some EGEE/LCG tools and after few moments…

She was using lcg-infosites with option ce

lcg-infosites test

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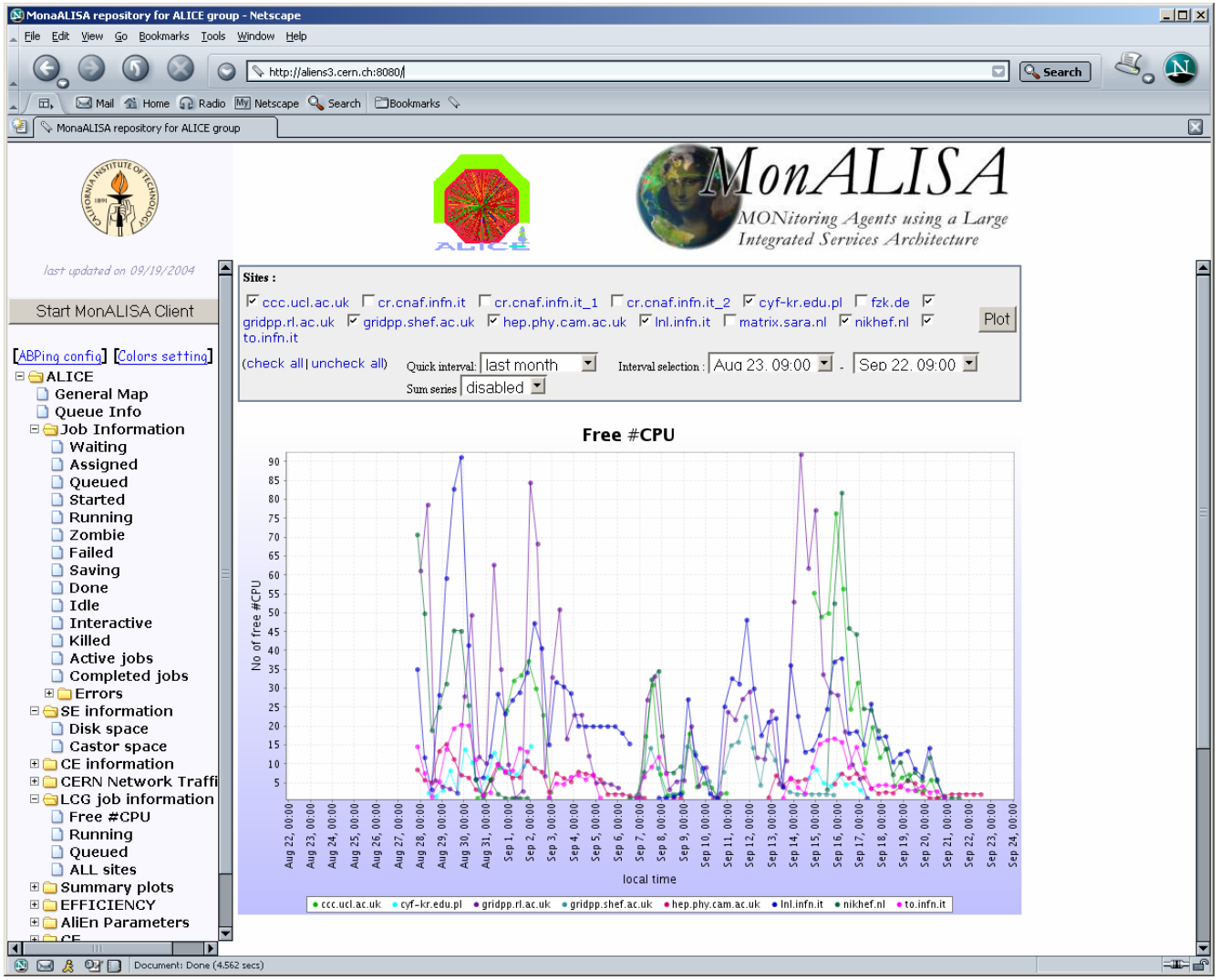
Test some lcg-infosites features:

```
%lcg-infosites -vo gilda ce

%lcg-infosites -vo gilda se

%lcg-infosites -vo gilda all

%lcg-infosites -vo gilda lrc

%lcg-infosites -vo gilda rmc
```

lcg-infosites

Implementation in MonALISA: The monitoring service of the Alice experiment



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2. You have application software administrator privilege: You can publish application specific information

1. You can install the software of your VO

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♠ Through special Grid tools, an application software administrator can submit Grid requests for software installation and validation

♠ Once the software has been installed and validated, a tag specifying the software version can be published in the information system to announce software availability at a site

2. You can publish a software tag corresponding to the software you have installed

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♠ Via the script: `lcg-ManageVOTag` (UIs and WNs)

♠ The tag version is given as an argument to the script

♠ In case the user installs his software with his own tools, lcg-ManageVOtag can be independently used to publish the tag

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♠ lcg-ManageVOTag

```
lcg-ManageVOTag -host <CE_host> -vo <your_vo> --feature -tag \
<your_tag>
```

Features:

√ **add** → It allows to join one or more tags each time (sgm privileges mandatory)

√ **remove** → any tag can be deleted (sgm privileges mandatory)

√ **list** → all tags included by the sgm can be visualized (all users from any VO can used this feature)

It's mandatory the tag follows the `VO-<voname>-<your-information>` syntax

```
> lcg-ManageVOTag -host lxb0706.cern.ch -vo dteam --add -tag VO-dteam-SFW1

lcg-ManageVOTag: VO-dteam-SFW1 submitted for addition by dteam to
GlueApplicationSoftwareRunTimeEnvironment
```

Glue Schema attribute which will be filled with the software tag

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But… what is happening behind?

► The first time this command is used from the UI or the WN, globus-url-copy will be used to create a `/opt/edg/var/info/<VO>/<VO>.list` file including the first tag(s) you include

►The rest of the times the file will just the file will not be recreated and will just hold the new tags

►The **`edg-ce-all`** (info producer into the CE) will read the file and publish the info, setting the **`GlueApplicationSoftwareRunTimeEnvironment`** attribute value to the tags included in these files

Just interrogate the BDII or the GIIS:

```
ldapsearch -h lxb0705.cern.ch -p 2170 -x -b "o=grid" -LLL
objectclass=GlueSubCluster GlueApplicationSoftwareRunTimeEnvironment

dn: GlueSubClusterUniqueID=lxb0706.cern.ch,GlueClusterUniqueID=lxb0706.cern.ch

, Mds-Vo-name=eis,mds-vo-name=local,o=grid

GlueHostApplicationSoftwareRunTimeenvironment: VO-dteam-SFW1
```

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3. You have administrator privileges: You can produce the information

☺ Now you can create easily static information via a interactive script included in the SEs and CEs:

`/opt/lcg/libexec/lcg-user-configuration`


```
**********************************************************************
DESCRIPTION
This script is intended to provide the user with a tool able to include
attribute values related to the GlueService. This script is interactive
and the required values will be passed by you through the screen.
WARNING: ALL VALUES ARE MANDATORY. Some fields must be integer values.
These are announced
**********************************************************************
Asking now for the values of the attributes:
Introduce the GlueServiceURI
(your value)
Introduce the GlueServiceType
(your value)
```

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Just wait maximal 2 minutes to refresh the BDII. Your entry is there

But… what has happened behind?

→ Under /opt/lcg/var a **GlueService.ldif$$** has just been created. It has already a ldif syntax and contains your new entry

```
dn: GlueServiceURI=<your_value>,Mds-Vo-name=local,o=grid
objectClass: GlueService
objectClass: GlueSchemaVersion
GlueServiceURI: <your_value>
GlueServiceAccessPointURL: <your_value>
GlueServiceType: <your_value>
GlueServicePrimaryOwnerName: <your_value>
GlueServicePrimaryOwnerContact: <your_value>
GlueServicePrimaryHostingOrganization: <your_value>
GlueServiceMajorVersion: <your_value>
GlueServiceMinorVersion: <your_value>
GlueServiceAccessControlRule: <your_value>
GlueServiceInformationServiceURL: <your_value>
GlueServiceStatus: <your_value>
GlueSchemaVersionMajor: <your_value>
GlueSchemaVersionMinor: <your_value>
```

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¤ The file /opt/lcg/var/lcg-info-generic-user.conf has been modified to include just one line:

```
provider_script=/opt/lcg/libexec/lcg-info-user -file
/opt/lcg/var/GlueService.ldif$$
```

Cat $file

¤ The system script /opt/lcg/sbin/lcg-info-generic-config runs the new file lcg-info-generic-user.conf. This will include the new configuration

¤ The system script /opt/lcg/libexec/lcg-info-wrapper will run too

```
#!/bin/sh
/opt/lcg/libexec/lcg-info-generic /opt/lcg/var/lcg-info-generic-user.conf
/opt/lcg/libexec/lcg-info-user -file /opt/lcg/var/GlueService.ldif$$
```

New line

Always there

R-GMA: New System

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Why a new system?

Disadvantages of the old system:

¤ LDAP does not allow to query information from different entries

¤ MDS is not flexible enough to allow for dynamic publication of data from user applications

Advantages of the new system:

¤ R-GMA is quite flexible and allows cross queries between different entries

¤ Anyone can introduce new information in the system in a very easy way

¤ It is quite dynamic with new Producers of information being notified by existing Consumers

R-GMA: Characteristics

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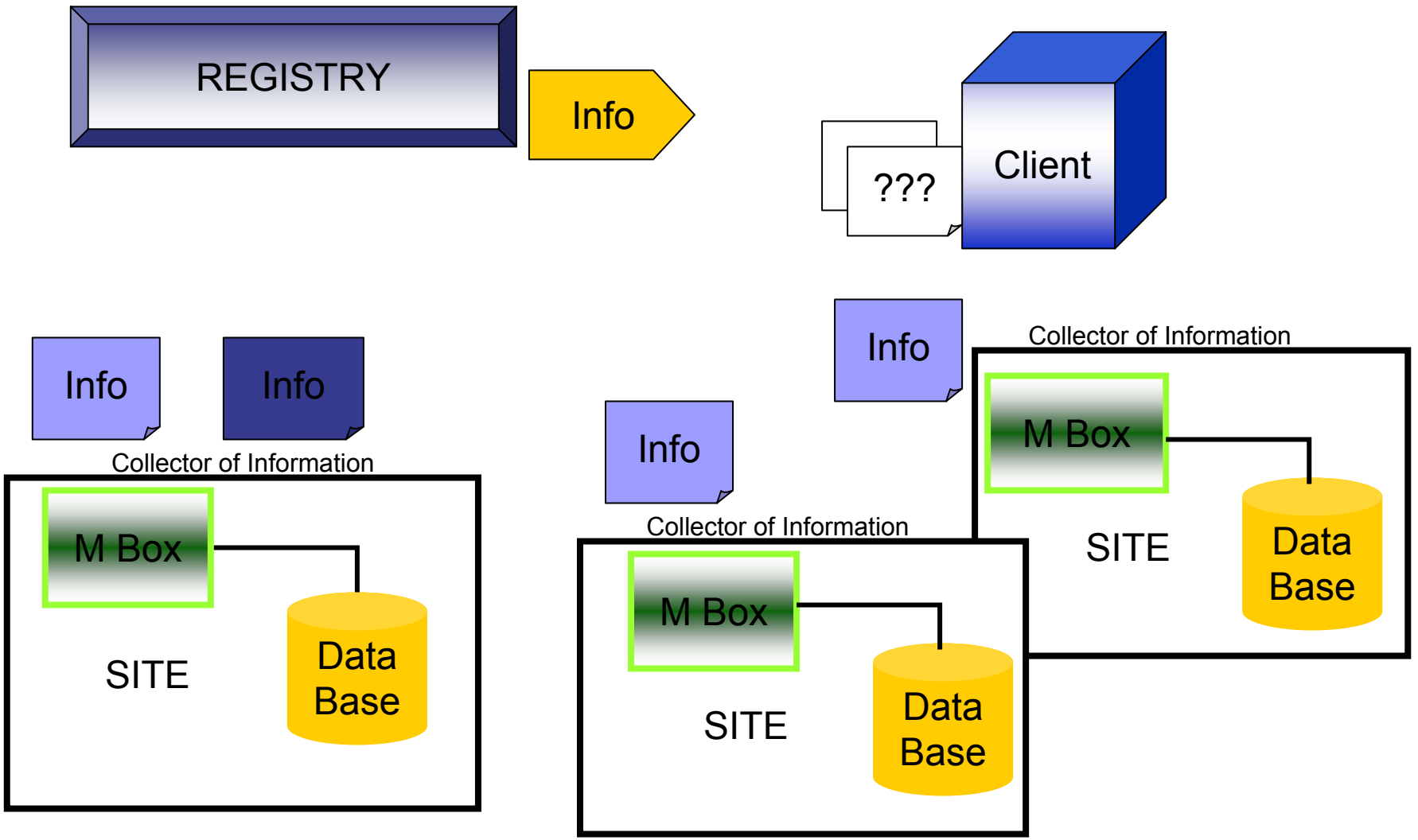
GMA (Grid Monitoring Architecture)

- From GGF (Global Grid Forum)
- Very simple; it does not define:
  - → Data model
  - → Data transfer mechanism
  - → Registry implementation

R-GMA (Relational GMA): Relational implementation

- Powerful data model and query language
- All data modeled as tables
- SQL as query language. It can express most queries in one expression
- You have a Relational DB for each VO

R-GMA: Design


REGISTRY
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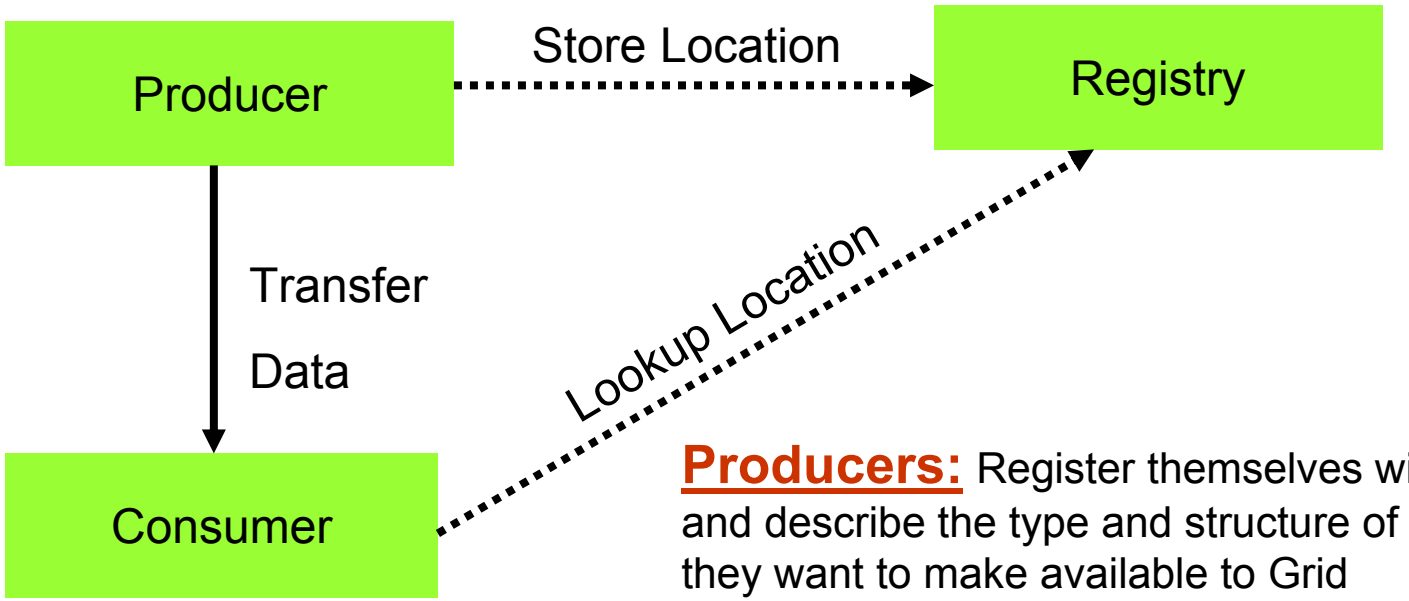
R-GMA Architecture



Producers: Register themselves with the Registry and describe the type and structure of the information they want to make available to Grid

Consumers: Query the Registry to find out the information available and locate Producers which provide such information. They can connect directly the Producers

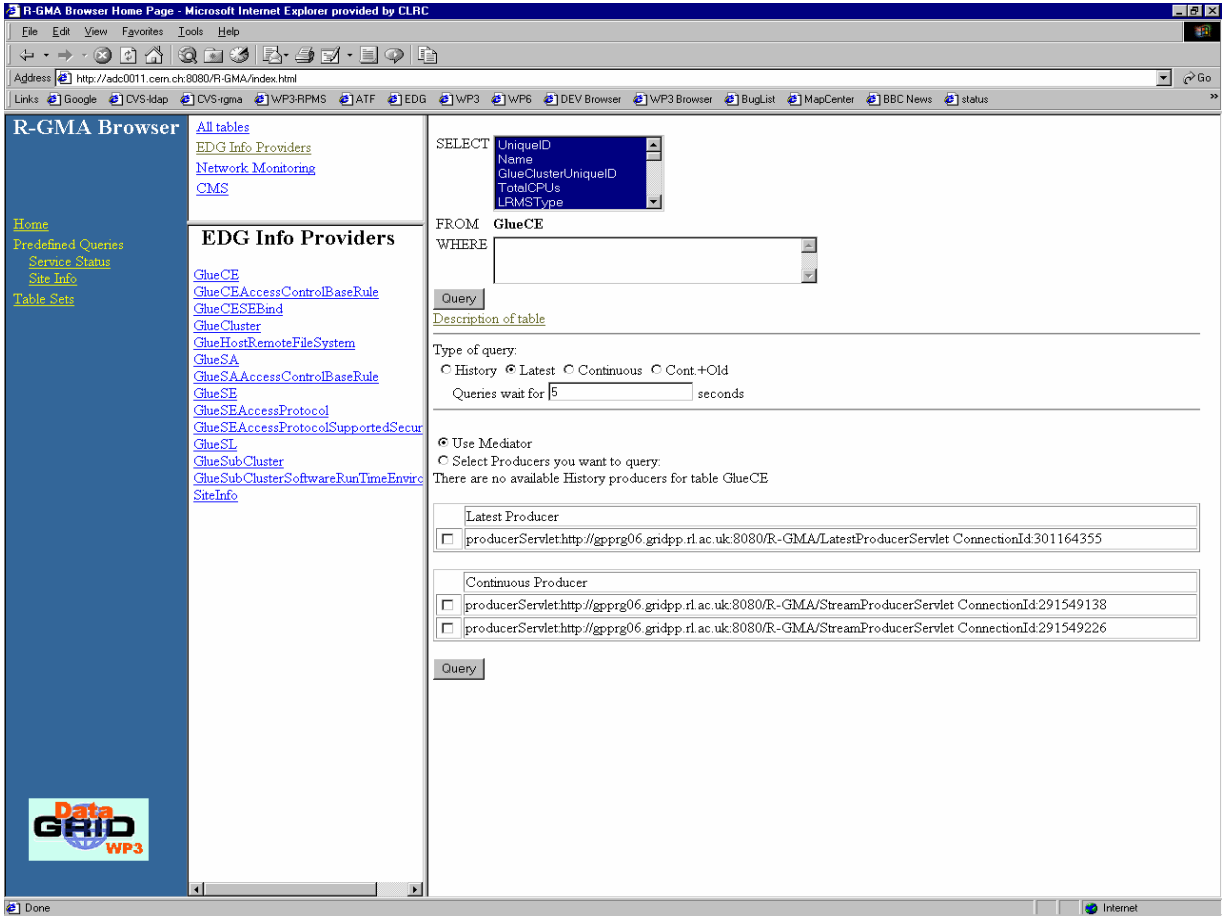
Registry: General collector, its arrow line represents the main flow of data

R-GMA tools: Browser

The user can retrieve the R-GMA information via the browser servlet

http://lcgic01.gridpp.rl.ac.uk:8080/R-GMA/index.html

It shows the schema, the registered producers and allows simple queries



R-GMA: APIs

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General R-GMA documentation can be found in:
http://hepunx.rl.ac.uk/edg/wp3/

R-GMA APIs are available in C, C++, and Java

Quite complete APIs. They are described in:

http://hepunx.rl.ac.uk/edg/wp3/documentation/doc/api/c/index.html

http://hepunx.rl.ac.uk/edg/wp3/documentation/doc/api/cpp/index.html

http://hepunx.rl.ac.uk/edg/wp3/documentation/doc/api/java/index.html

edg-rgma: Virtual Database

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- Recently set up in LCG-2/EGEE
- You can make with some of the APIs to produce or retrieve information
- Make `edg-rgma -c help` to retrieve more information

```
$ edg-rgma

rgma> latest select sitename,sysAdminContact from SiteInfo;

+----------------------+--------------------------------------------------+
| sitename             | sysAdminContact                                  |
+----------------------+--------------------------------------------------+
| IC-LCG2              | b.macevoy@imperial.ac.uk                         |
| LCGCERTTB4           | Piera.Bettini@cern.ch                            |
| Uni-Wuppertal        | lcg-admin@physik.uni-wuppertal.de                |
| RAL-LCG2             | lcg-support@gridpp.rl.ac.uk                      |
| nikhef.nl            | grid-support-admin@nikhef.nl                     |
+----------------------+--------------------------------------------------+
5 Rows in set
```

R-GMA: Classes

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- The headers are visible in your UI under:
  `/opt/edg/include/info`

- Those directly used in this tutorial are:
  - **Consumer.hh**
    - Executes a SQL query to return tuples to the user
    - Able to find the producers of information
  - **ResultSet.hh**
    - Handle the results strings
  - **StreamProducer.hh**
    - Register a table when it is created and subsequently to publish information

LCG APIS from R-GMA

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♠ **InfoFromRGMA:** Parallel development to `InfoFromLDAP`

```
> lcg-is-search-rgma  <your_file>
```

experiment integration and support

InfoFromRGMA.h

```
#include "AllInfoRGMA.h"

class InfoFromRGMA: public AllInfo{
public:
InfoFromRGMA();
~InfoFromRGMA();
virtual void query(char*);
}
```

This will be tested during the hands-on session

LCG APIs from R-GMA

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InfoFromRGMA.cpp

```
#include "Consumer.hh"
#include "ResultSet.hh"
#include "InfoFromRGMA.h"

void InfoFromRGMA::query(char* file){

char buff[1024];
std::ifstream sqlFile(file,std::ios::in);
std::ostringstream os;
while (!sqlFile.getline(buff,sizeof(buff)).eof() ){
os << buff << ' ';
}
sqlFile.close();

edg::info::Consumer myConsumer(os.str(),edg::info::Consumer::
              CONTINUOUS);
```

reading the file

Constructing a consumer

LCG APIs from R-GMA

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InfoFromRGMA.cpp

```
edg::info::TimeInterval Timeout(60);
myConsumer.start(Timeout);          initiate streaming with each Producer
while(myConsumer.isExecuting()){
sleep(2);
}
edg::info::ResultSet resultSet = myConsumer.popIfPossible();
std::cout<<ResultSet:\n"<<resultSet.toString().c_str()<<std::endl;
myConsumer.close();   getting results and printing them by screen
};

extern "C" AllInfoRGMA create(){ return new InfoFromRGMA;}

extern "C" void destroy(AllInfoRGMA* a){ delete a;}
```

dlopen

LCG APIS from R-GMA

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♠ **InfoToRGMA:**

You have the power, You create the information

```
> lcg-is-search-rgma  <your_file>
```

InfoToRGMA.h

```
#include "AllInfoRGMA.h"

class InfoToRGMA: public AllInfo{
public:
InfoToRGMA();
~InfoToRGMA();
virtual void add(char*);
}
```

This will be tested during the hands-on session

LCG APIS from R-GMA

In this package a configuration file should be included with the following data:

1. The name of the table where your info is included
2. Your information

Example of Configuration File

```
theTABLE = userTable

theREQUEST = INSERT INTO userTable (userID, aString,
anInt, MeasurementDate,MeasurementTime) VALUES
('test','producertest',5.18,32,'2004-10-19','18:59:00')
```

This will be tested during the hands-on session

LCG APIs from R-GMA

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InfoToRGMA.cpp

```
#include "StreamProducer.hh"
#include "ConfigBuffer.hh"
#include "InfoToRGMA.h"

void InfoFromRGMA::add(char* file){

string thefile = file;
configBuffer *theconfigfile = new ConfigBuffer(thefile);
std::string table = theconfigfile->get_attribute_value("theTABLE");
std::string request = theconfigfile->get_attribute_value("theREQUEST");

edg::info::StreamProducer myProducer;
myProducer.declareTable(table,"");
myProducer.setTerminationInterval(edg::info::TimeInterval(1200));
myProducer.setMinRetentionPeriod(edg::info::TimeInterval(600));
myProducer.insert(request);
```

The future in LCG-2

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LDAP can be considered the past in LCG

A new protocol has been deployed based on web services: **R-GMA**

Problem:

- Each protocol has its own schema, its own technology
- Users and developers have to adapt their software and applications to the new protocols

Questions:

- What to do with the already existing tools?
- What to do in the future to if a new protocol is arriving?

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Solution:

A new interface able to globalize all protocols with just one schema and just one query language

General Features of the Interface

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Characteristics:

1. The User Applications see just one interface
2. The query language and data model are included
4. The query and schema are syntactically and semantically translated internally in a transparent manner

User Requirements:

1. Perform the query via SQL
2. Configuration file to include the protocol and additional parameters mandatory for each protocol
3. Use the canonical schema

General Interface Tool

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Your user Application can look like as:

```
#include ''LcgInfoInterface.h''
vector <vector<string> > results;
string input;
LcgInfoInterface iface;
iface.initialize(''config_file'');
Querier* thequerier = iface.connect();
input = ''query performed by the user'';
results = thequerier ->query(input);
iface.disconnect(thequerier);
```

contains the results of the query

written in SQL

read the configuration file

dynamical load of the protocol libraries

the query is performed

the final disconnection

http://grid-deployment.web.cern.ch/grid-deployment/eis/docs/LcgInfoInterface/namespaces.html
http://grid-deployment.web.cern.ch/grid-deployment/eis/docs/LcgInfoInterface/LcgInfoInterface_refman.pdf

General Interface Tool

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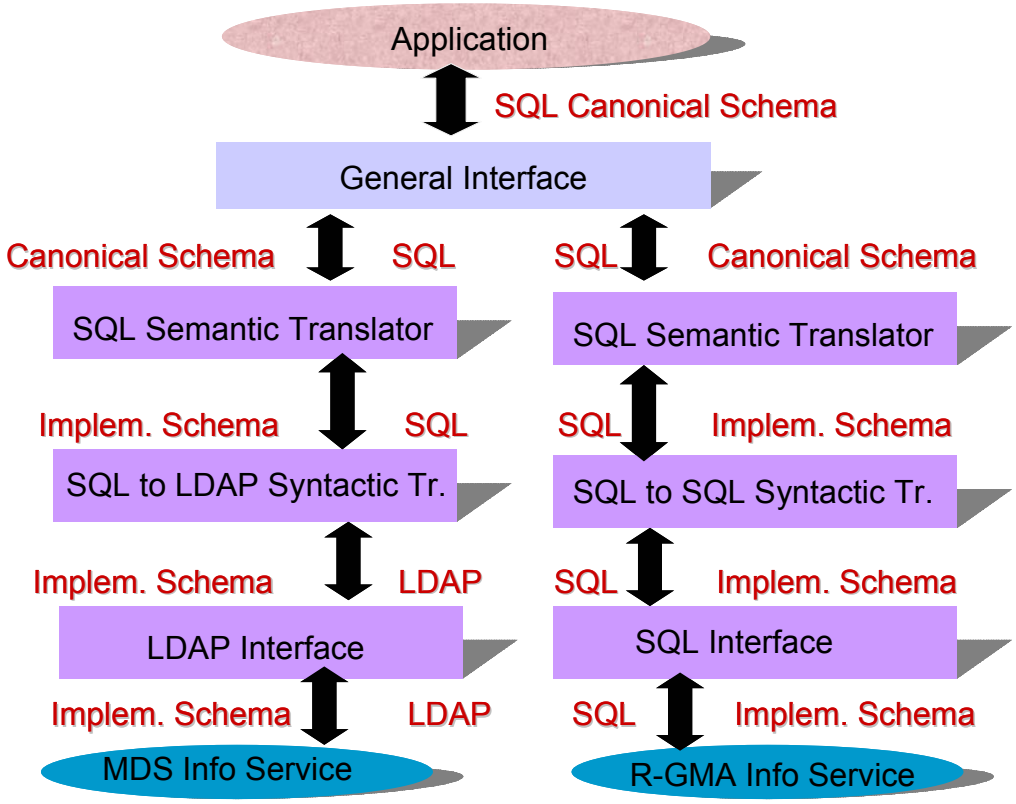
General schema of the API



Some examples

```
SELECT StorageServiceUniqueID
ComputingElementUniqueID FROM Glue.Bind

lxb0707.cern.ch
lxb0706.cern.ch:2119/jobmanager-pbs-long

lxb0710.cern.ch
lxb0706.cern.ch:2119/jobmanager-pbs-long

lxb0707.cern.ch
lxb0706.cern.ch:2119/jobmanager-pbs-short

lxb0710.cern.ch
lxb0706.cern.ch:2119/jobmanager-pbs-short

castorgridtest.cern.ch
lxb0706.cern.ch:2119/jobmanager-pbs-long

oplapro12.cern.ch
lxb0706.cern.ch:2119/jobmanager-pbs-long
```

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and now... Let's have fun!!!

Hands-on session

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The Hands-on session includes two types of exercises:

1. Those which will be just shown because they require sgm (lcg-ManageVOTag) or root (lcg-user-configuration) privileges

2. The following needs your work
   - C++ APIs and Perl scripts
   - You just have to work with the C++ APIs and we provide you with the needed Makefile, libraries and headers
   - **Just concentrate on the C++ applications**
   - The Perl scripts are lcg-utilities which use the C++ APIs. Use them to get familiar with the lcg-utilities

3. General Remarks:
   - Work in couples, it will be easier
   - Do not hesitate to ask questions and have a look at the solutions each time you get stack
   - Ask your tutors in case of problems

Generalities for all APIs

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Where to find the sources?

Headers: `/opt/lcg/include`
Libraries: `/opt/lcg/lib`
Executables: `/opt/lcg/bin`
At your home directory you have already installed : `IS_exercises/ldap`
`/rgma`

1. **Makefiles:**
   - `ldap/Makefiles/Makefile_search_ldap`
   - `ldap/Makefiles/Makefile_general_ldap`
   - `rgma/Makefiles/Makefile_search_rgma`
   - `rgma/Makefiles/Makefile_add_rgma`
2. **Templates:**
   - `ldap/Templates/Template_search_ldap.cpp`
   - `ldap/Templates/Template_general_ldap.cpp`
   - `rgma/Templates/Template_search_rgma.cpp`
   - `rgma/Templates/Template_add_rgma.cpp`
3. **Solutions:**
   - `ldap/Solutions/Solution_search_ldap.cpp`
   - `ldap/Solutions/Solution_general_ldap.cpp`
   - `rgma/Solutions/Solution_search_rgma.cpp`
   - `rgma/Solutions/Solution_add_rgma.cpp`

LDAP Exercises

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1. Use the liblcg-info-api-ldap library

We propose you to generate a main program which:

¤ Write an application that requires the following arguments: host, port, filter, attribute(s). It loads dynamically this library (dlopen). Then it invokes the "query" method of InfoFromLDAP.h and prints out the resultof the user query on the screen.

¤ The query method definition is in InfoFromLDAP.h

¤ Have a look at the lcg-infosites script. It uses the executable generated by the solution provided.

¤ If you have time copy this script (placed in /opt/lcg/bin) in a local area and replace the lcg-is-search executable with your executable and try to run it

¤ Compare results with those obtained from lcg-infosites

LDAP Exercises

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3. Use the liblcg-info-search-rgma library

Try to generate a main program which:

1. Passes a file including the query (written in SQL)
2. Makes a dynamic load of this library (dlopen)
3. Invokes the general query method of the InfoFromRGMA.h

Remarks:

¤ The Solutions directory includes some examples of SQL queries

LDAP Exercises

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3. Use the liblcg-info-add-rgma library

You will have to generate a main program which:

1. Passes a file including the request (written in SQL)
2. Makes a dynamical download of this library (dlopen)
3. Invokes the general query method of the InfoToRGMA.h

Remarks:

¤ The Solutions directory includes some examples of SQL queries