



Enabling Grids for E-sciencE

Grid File Access Library (GFAL) JAVA API

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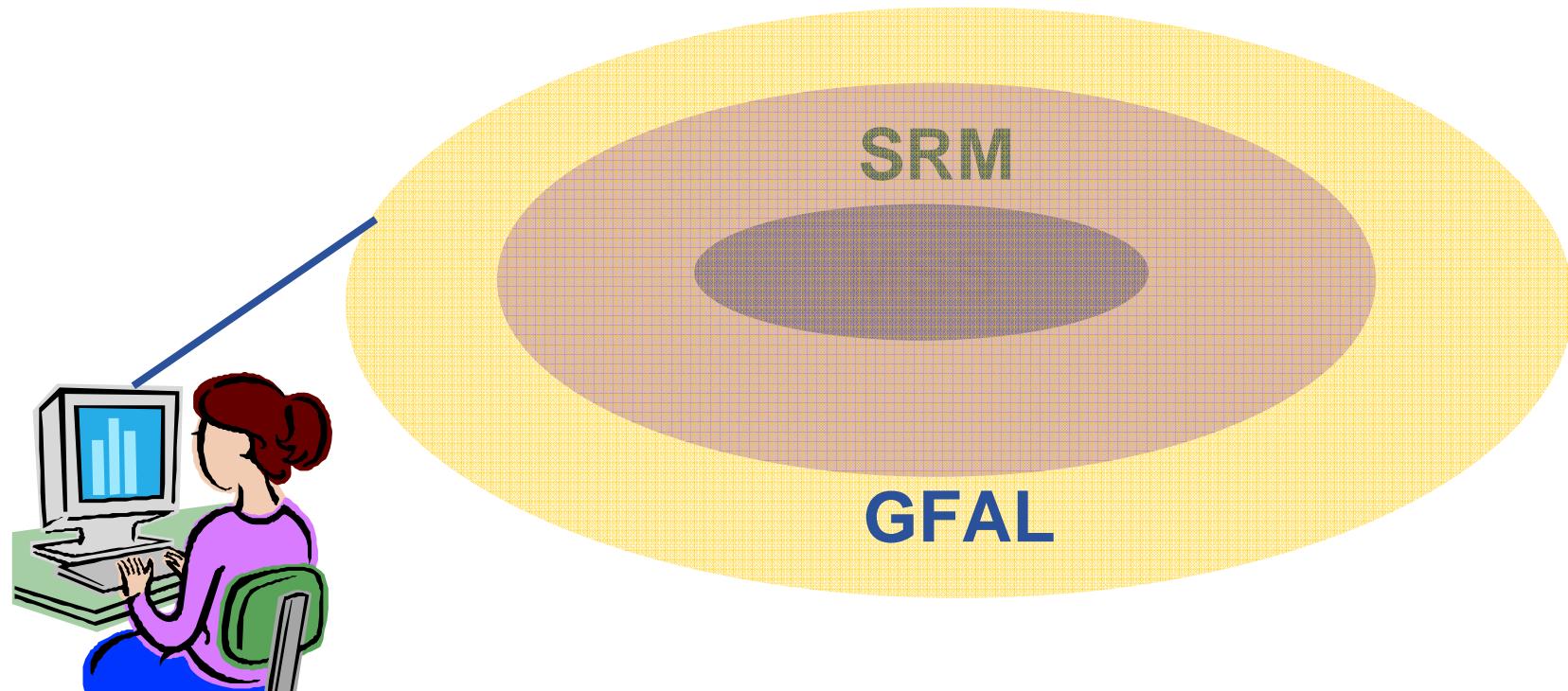
- ## What is GFAL for?

- Grid storage interactions today require using some existing software components:
 - The catalog services to locate valid replicas of files in order to :
 - *Download them to the user local machine*
 - *Move them from a SE to another one*
 - *Make job running on the worker node able to access and manage files stored on remote storage element.*
 - The SRM software to ensure:
 - *Files existence on disk or disk pool (they are recalled from mass storage if necessary)*
 - *Space allocation on disk for new files (they are possibly migrated to mass storage later)*

- ## The GFAL Features

- Hides interactions to the SRM to the end user
- Provides a Posix-like interface for File I/O Operation
- Based on shared libraries (both threaded e unthreaded version)
- Needs only one header file (`gfal_api.h`) to write C applications
- Supports following protocols :
 - file for local access **nfs-like**
 - dcap, gsidcap and kdcap for dCache access protocol
 - rfio for CASTOR access protocol.
- Access to SRMs in secure mode, i.e. using a valid Grid proxy obtained by `voms-proxy-init` command.

1. GFAL will be the highest level interface
2. It will take care of SRM and Replica Managers and protocols (transparent for the user)
3. SRM will take care of the handling with MSS (not visible for the user)

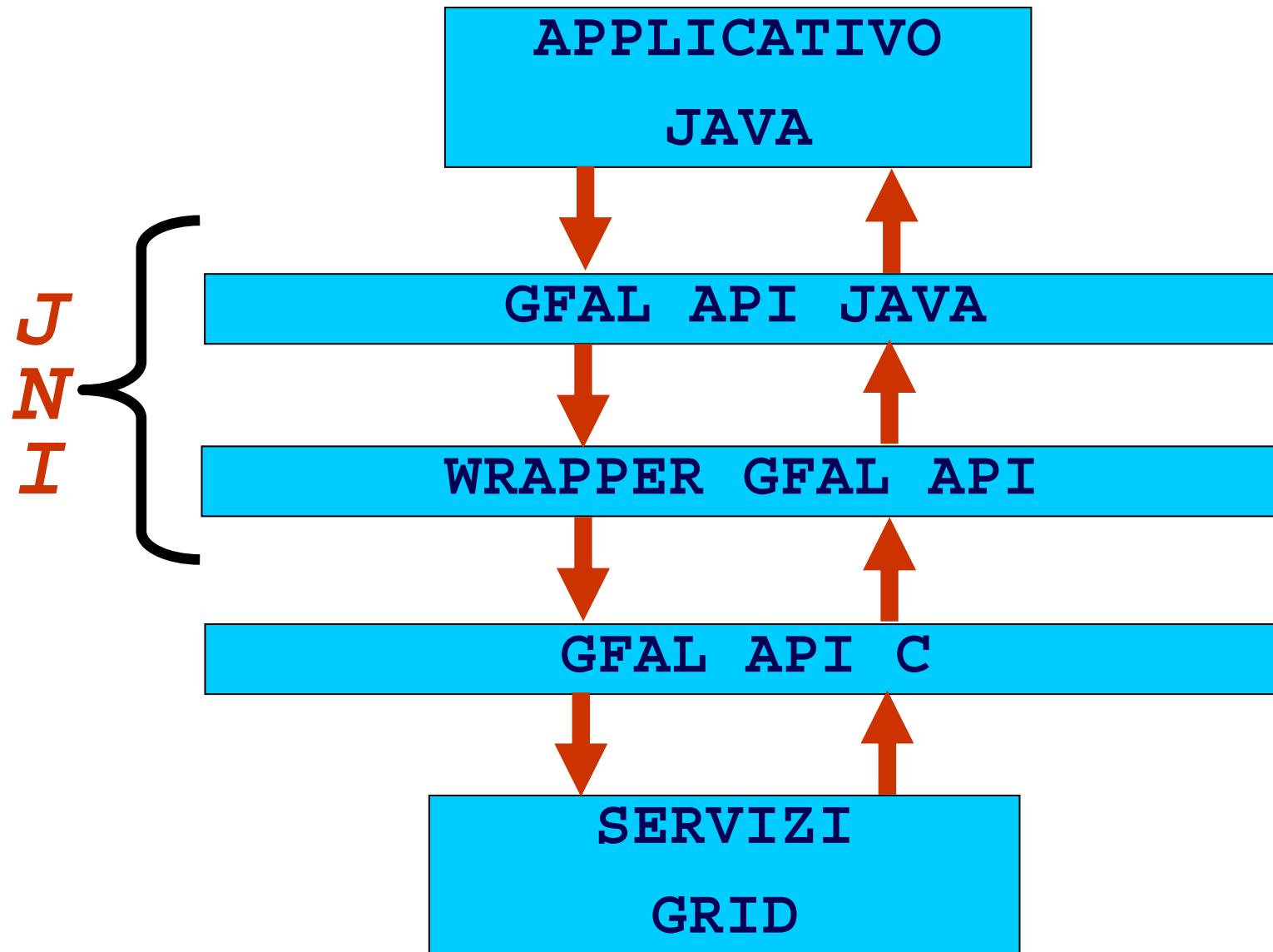


- **GFAL works with all Grid types name:**

- Logical File Name (LFN)
 - lfn:baud/testgfal15
- Grid Unique IDentifier (GUID)
 - guid:2cd59291-7ae7-4778-af6d-b1f423719441
- File Replica (SURL)
 - srm://wacdr002d.cern.ch:8443/castor/cern.ch/user/b/baud/testgfal
- Transport file name (TURL).
 - rfio:///castor/cern.ch/user/b/baud/testgfal15

- **Auxiliary linked libraries**
 - libcgsi_plugin_gsoap_2.3
 - libglobus_gss
 - api_gsi_gcc32dbg
 - libglobus_gss_assist_gcc32dbg).
- **Environment Variables**
 - LCG_GFAL_VO (-> **gilda**)
 - LCG_GFAL_INFOSYS (-> *grid004.ct.infn.it:2170*)
 - LCG_CATALOG_TYPE (-> *lfc*)
 - LCG_RFIO_TYPE (-> *dpm*)
 - LFC_HOST (-> *lfc-gilda.ct.infn.it*)
 - LD_LIBRARY_PATH

```
import it.infn.catania.gfal.*;
public class Sample {
    public static void main (String args[]) {
        String fileName = "aliserv6.ct.infn.it";
        try {
            GFalFile gFalFile= new GFalFile();
            gFalFile.createFile(fileName,644,false,false);
            byte[] dati = new byte[1024];
            int ret = gFalFile.writeFile(dati);
            if (ret== -1) {
                System.exit(1);
            }
            ret = gFalFile.closeFile();
            if (ret== -1) {
                System.exit(1);
            }
            ret = gFalFile.lfcRegisterFile("lfn:/grid/gilda/test/1.dat");
            if (ret== -1) {
                System.exit(1);
            }
        }
        catch (GFalFileNotFoundException exc) {
            exc.printStackTrace();
        }
    }
}
```



Classe Java:

```
package it.infn.catania.gfal;  
  
...  
  
public class GFalFile  
{  
    static {  
        System.loadLibrary("GFalFile");  
    }  
  
    ...  
  
    private native int openGFalFile(String fileName, int mode, int  
perm, boolean isLargeFile);  
    private native int closeGFalFile(int fd);  
  
    ...  
  
    public int openFile(String fileName, int flags, int mode, boolean  
isLargeFile) throws GFalFileException {  
        ...  
        int ret = openGFalFile(fileName, flags, mode, isLargeFile);  
        ...  
    }  
}
```

Wrapper C (libGFalFile.so):

```
#include <gfal_api.h>
#include <jni.h>
#include "it_infn_catania_gfal_GFalFile.h"

...
JNIEXPORT jint JNICALL
Java_it_infn_catania_gfal_GFalFile_openGFalFile (JNIEnv *env,
 jobject obj, jstring fileName, jint mode, jint permission,
 jboolean largeFile)
{
    int fd;
    const char *str = (*env)->GetStringUTFChars(env, fileName, 0);
    if(largeFile)
        fd = gfal_open64(str, mode, permission);
    else
        fd = gfal_open(str, mode, permission);
    (*env)->ReleaseStringUTFChars(env, fileName, str);
    ...//check errors
    return fd;
}
```

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Package it.infn.catania.gfal

Class Summary

GFalDirectory	Representation of a remote directory.
GFalFile	Representation of a remote file.
GFalUtilities	This class contains some useful utilities.

Exception Summary

GFalDirectoryException
GFalFileNotFoundException
GFalUtilitiesException

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Constructor Summary

GFalFile()	
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Method Summary

int	closeFile() Closes the file opened by openFile.
int	createFile(java.lang.String name, int mode, boolean isSurl, boolean isLargeFile) Create a file
java.lang.String	getSurl() returns the SURL of the file associated with this object .
int	lfcRegisterFile(java.lang.String logicalFileName) registers the file associated with this object in the lfc catalog.
long	lseekFile(long offset, int seekMode, boolean isLargeFile) positions/repositions to offset the file associated with this object.
int	openFile(java.lang.String fileName, int flags, int mode, boolean isLargeFile) Opens a file according to the value of flags.
byte[]	readFile(int size) Reads size bytes from the file
int	writeFile(byte[] buffer) Writes buffer data in the file

Methods inherited from class java.lang.Object

clone, equals, finalize, getClass, hashCode, notify, notifyAll, toString, wait, wait, wait
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