



Enabling Grids for E-science

gLite Basic APIs

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- Workload Management proxy API (WM proxy)
- gLite I/O
- LCG File Catalog API (LFC)
- Grid File Access Library API (GFAL)
- Relational Grid Monitoring Architecture APIs (R-GMA)
- Virtual Organization Membership Service API (VOMS)
- ARDA Metadata Grid Application (AMGA)

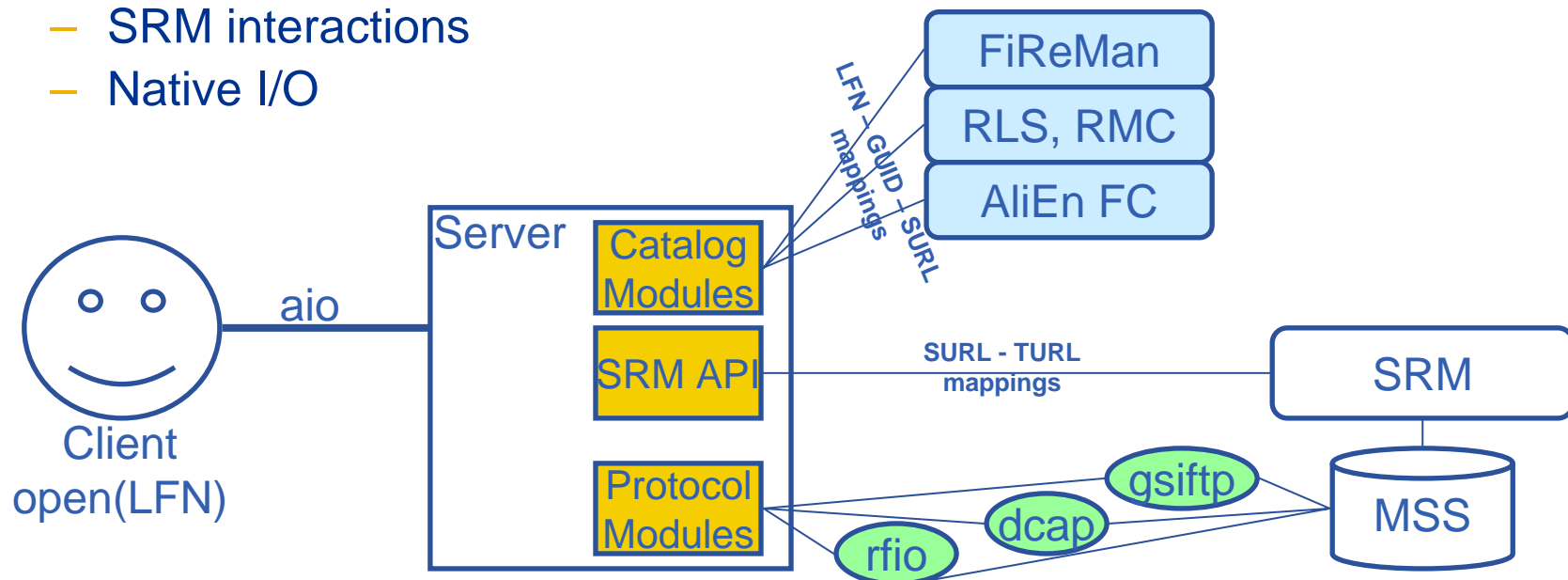
WMPProxy (Workload Manager Proxy)

- Is a service providing access to the gLite Workload Management System (WMS) .
- Has been designed to efficiently handle a large number of requests for job submission.
- The service interface addresses the Web Services and SOA (Service Oriented Architecture) architecture standards.
- APIs are available for Java, Python, C++

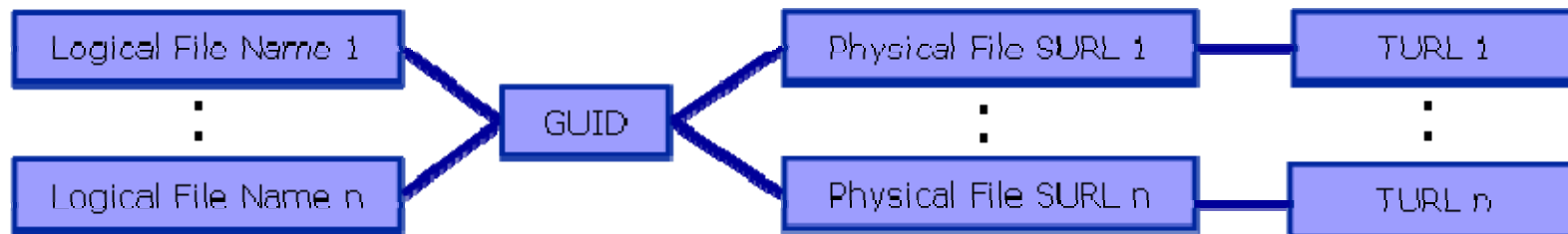
The request types supported by the WMPProxy service are:

- **Job**: a simple application
- **DAG**: a direct acyclic graph of dependent jobs
- **Collection**: a set of independent jobs
- Jobs in turn can be *batch, interactive, MPI-based, checkpointable, Parametric*.

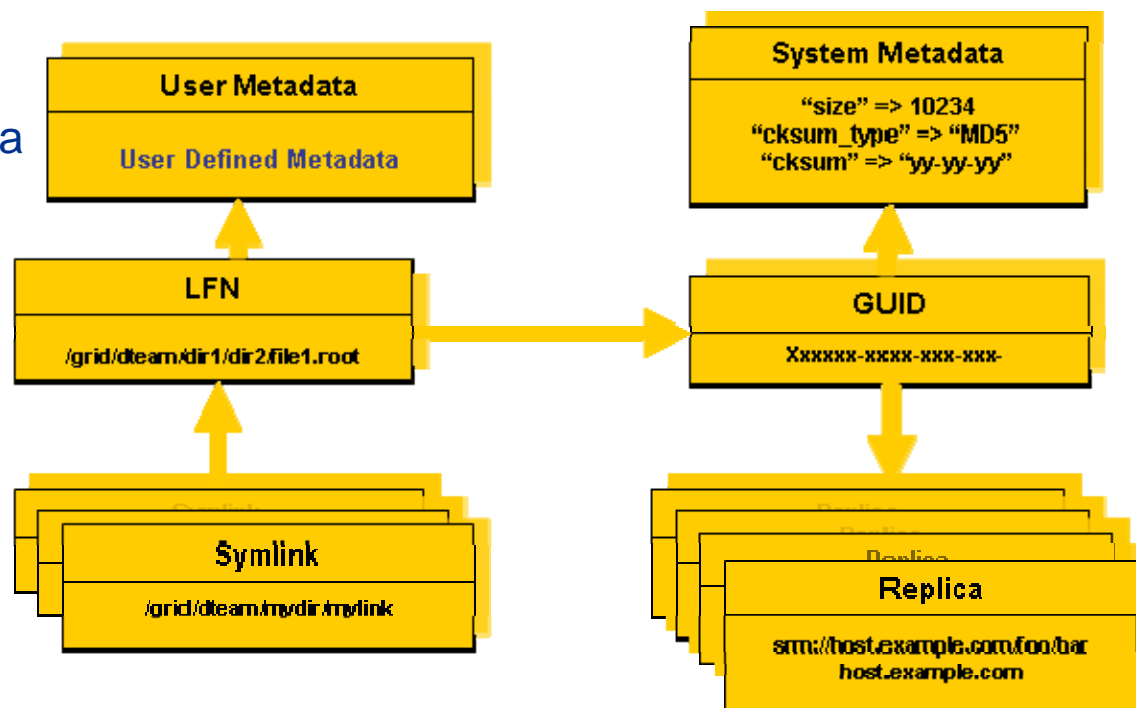
- **Client only sees a simple API library and a Command Line Interface**
 - GUID or LFN can be used, i.e. `open("/grid/myFile")`
- **GSI Delegation to gLite I/O Server**
- **Server performs all operations on User's behalf**
 - Resolve LFN/GUID into SURL and TURL
- **Operations are pluggable**
 - Catalog interactions
 - SRM interactions
 - Native I/O



- **Logical File Name (LFN)**
 - An alias created by a user to refer to some item of data, e.g. “lfn:cms/20030203/run2/track1”
- **Globally Unique Identifier (GUID)**
 - A non-human-readable unique identifier for an item of data, e.g. “guid:f81d4fae-7dec-11d0-a765-00a0c91e6bf6”
- **Site URL (SURL) (or Physical File Name (PFN) or Site FN)**
 - The location of an actual piece of data on a storage system, e.g.
 - “srm://pcrd24.cern.ch/flatfiles/cms/output10_1” (SRM)
 - “sfn://lxshare0209.cern.ch/data/alice/ntuples.dat” (Classic SE)
- **Transport URL (TURL)**
 - Temporary locator of a replica + access protocol: understood by a SE, e.g. “rfio://lxshare0209.cern.ch//data/alice/ntuples.dat”

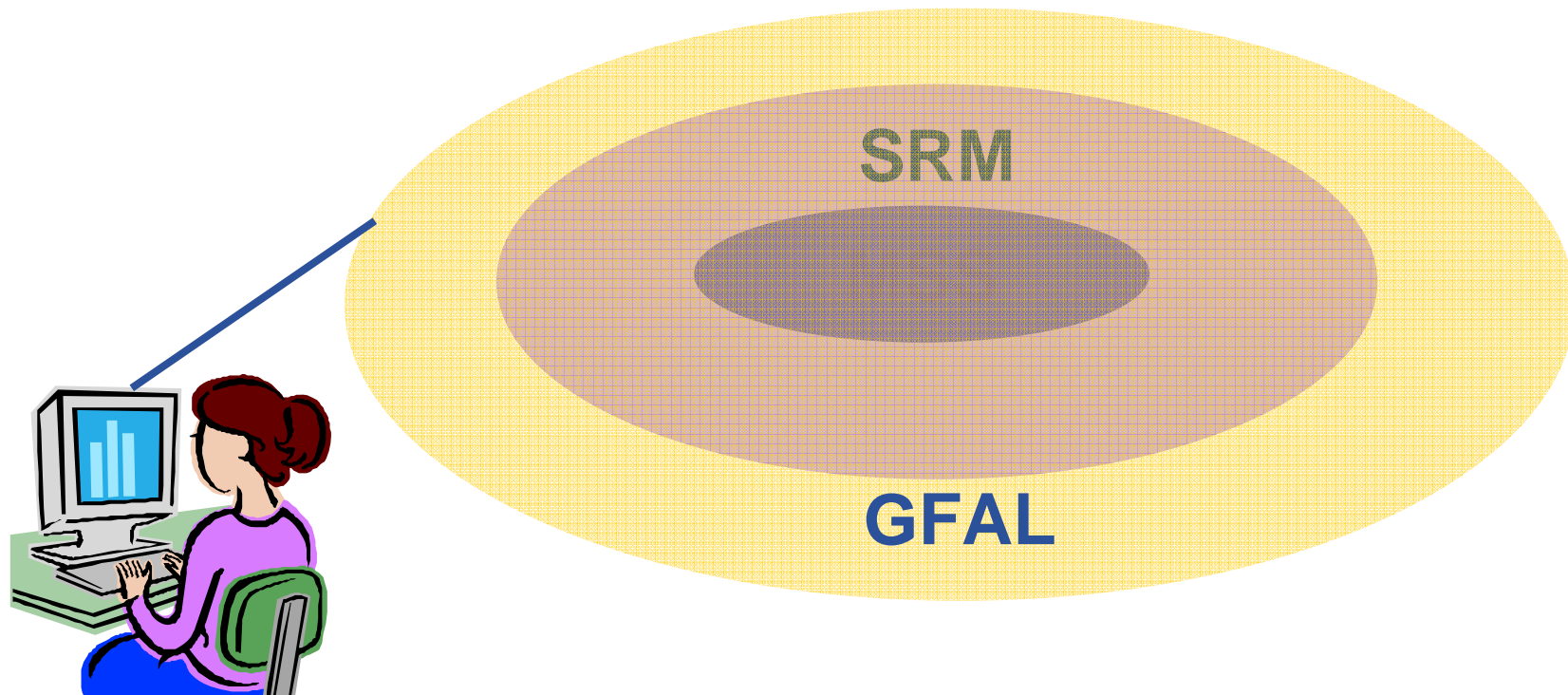


- One single catalog
- LFN acts as main key in the database. It has:
 - Symbolic links to it (additional LFNs)
 - Unique Identifier (GUID)
 - System metadata
 - Information on replicas
 - One field of user metadata

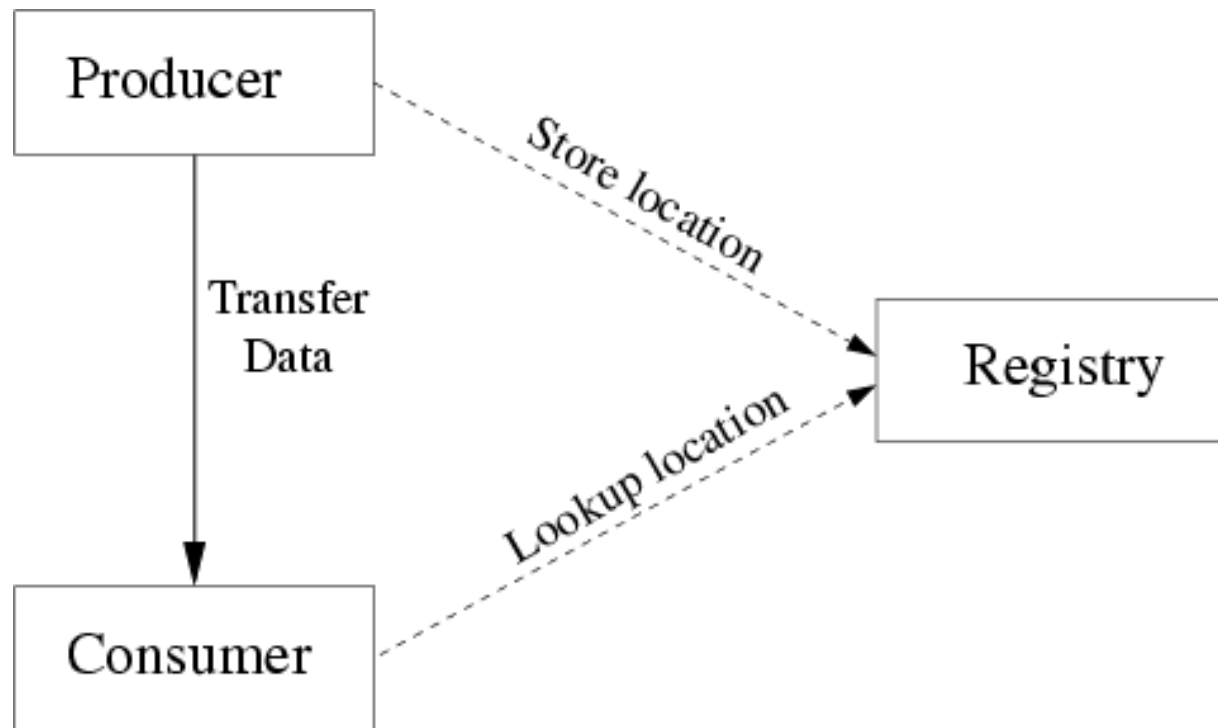


- Grid storage interactions today require using some existing software components:
 - The replica catalog services to locate valid replicas of files in order to :
 - ***Download** them to the user local machine*
 - ***Move** them from a SE to another one*
 - *Make job running on the worker node able 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)*

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)



- **Relational Grid Monitoring Architecture (R-GMA)**
 - Developed as part of the EuropeanDataGrid Project (EDG)
 - Now as part of the EGEE project.
 - Based on the Grid Monitoring Architecture (GMA) from the Global Grid Forum (GGF).
- **Uses a relational data model.**
 - Data is viewed as a table.
 - Data structure defined by the columns.
 - Each entry is a row (tuple).
 - Queried using Structured Query Language (SQL).
- **APIs exist in Java, C, C++, Python.**
 - For clients (servlets contacted behind the scenes)



Virtual Organization Membership Service Provides information on the user's relationship with his Virtual Organization:

- **Groups**
- **Roles**
- **Capabilities.**

- **single login using voms-proxy-init only at the beginning of the session (was grid-proxy-init)**
- **multiple VOs: the user may "log-in" into multiple VOs and create an aggregate proxy certificate, which enables him to access resources in any of them**

\$ voms-proxy-info -all

- **subject : /C=GR/O=HellasGrid/OU=inp.demokritos.gr/CN=Christos Filippidis /CN=proxy**
- **issuer : /C=GR/O=HellasGrid/OU=inp.demokritos.gr/CN=Christos Filippidis**
- **identity : /C=GR/O=HellasGrid/OU=inp.demokritos.gr/CN=Christos Filippidis**
- **type : proxy**
- **strength : 512**
- **path : /tmp/x509up_u21457**
- **timeleft : 11:59:51**

=== VO cms extension information ===

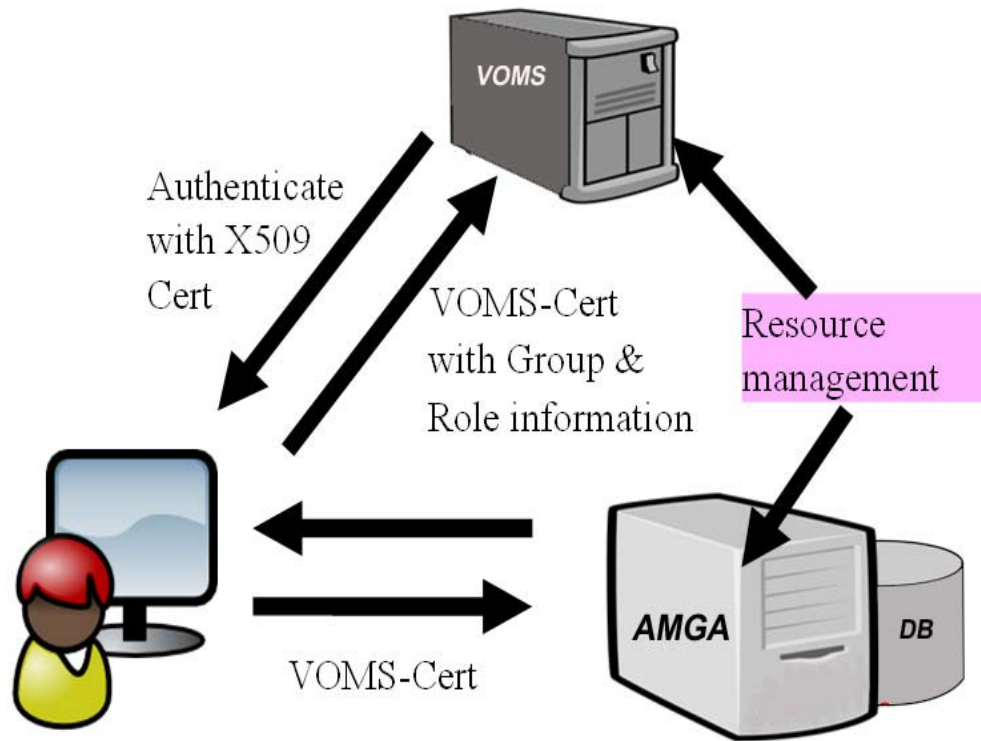
- **VO : cms**
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- **issuer : /C=CH/O=CERN/OU=GRID/CN=host/lcg-voms.cern.ch**
- **attribute : /cms/Role=NULL/Capability=NULL**
- **timeleft : 11:59:51**

AMGA - Metadata Access on the Grid

AMGA – ARDA Metadata Grid Application

- Metadata is **data about data**
- On the Grid: **information about files**
 - Describe files
 - Locate files based on their contents
- **But also simplified DB access on the Grid**
 - Many Grid applications need structured data
 - Many applications require only simple schemas
 - Can be modelled as metadata
 - Main advantage: better integration with the Grid environment
 - Metadata Service is a Grid component
 - **Grid security**
 - Hide DB heterogeneity

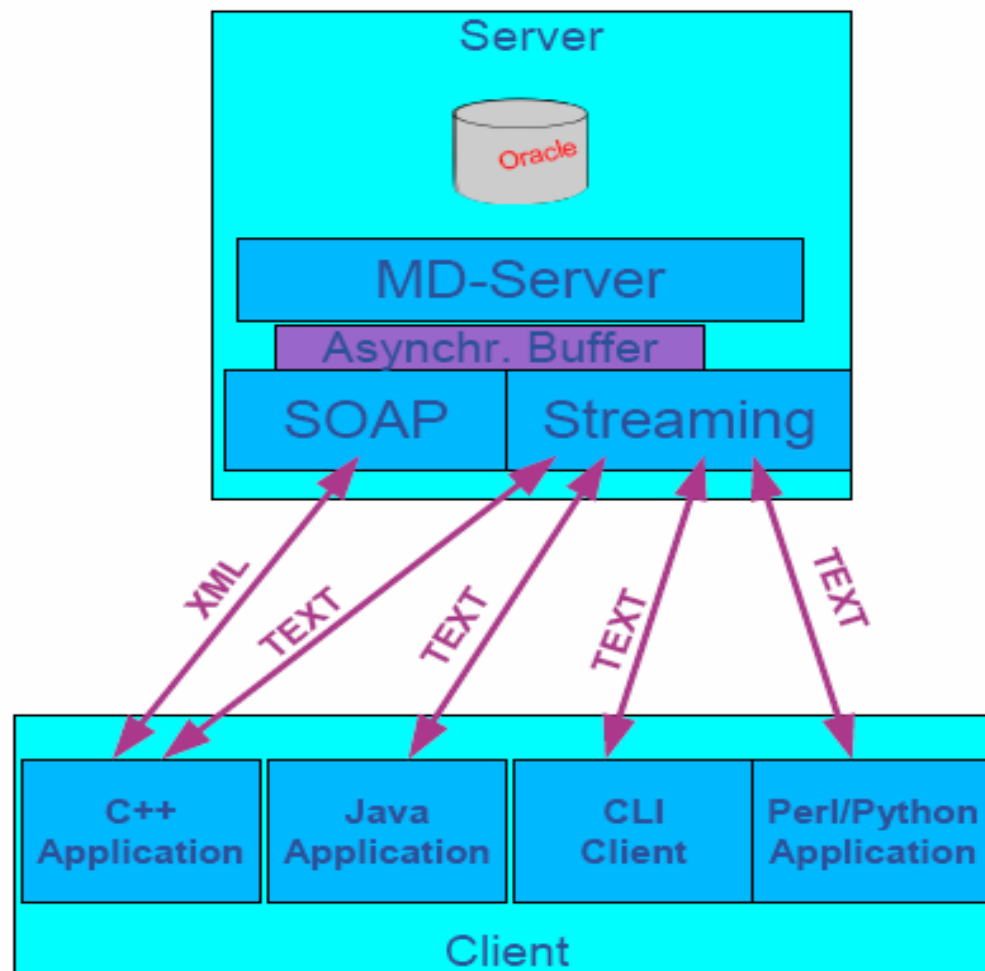
- **Dynamic Schemas**
 - Schemas can be modified at runtime by client
 - Create, delete schemas
 - Add, remove attributes
- **Metadata organised as an hierarchy**
 - Schemas can contain sub-schemas
 - Analogy to file system:
 - Schema \leftrightarrow Directory; Entry \leftrightarrow File
- **Flexible Queries**
 - SQL-like query language
 - Joins between schemas



- Side-by-Side a File Catalogue (LFC): File Metadata
- Access control to resources on the Grid is done via VOMS
- Strong security requirements:
 - patient data is sensitive
 - metadata access must be restricted to authorized users

- **AMGA Implementation:**

- SOAP and Text frontends
- Streamed Bulk Operations
- Supports single calls, sessions & connections
- SSL security with grid certs (negotiated by client)
- Own User & Group management + VOMS
- PostgreSQL, Oracle, MySQL, SQLite backends
- Works alongside LFC
- C++, Java, Perl, Python clients

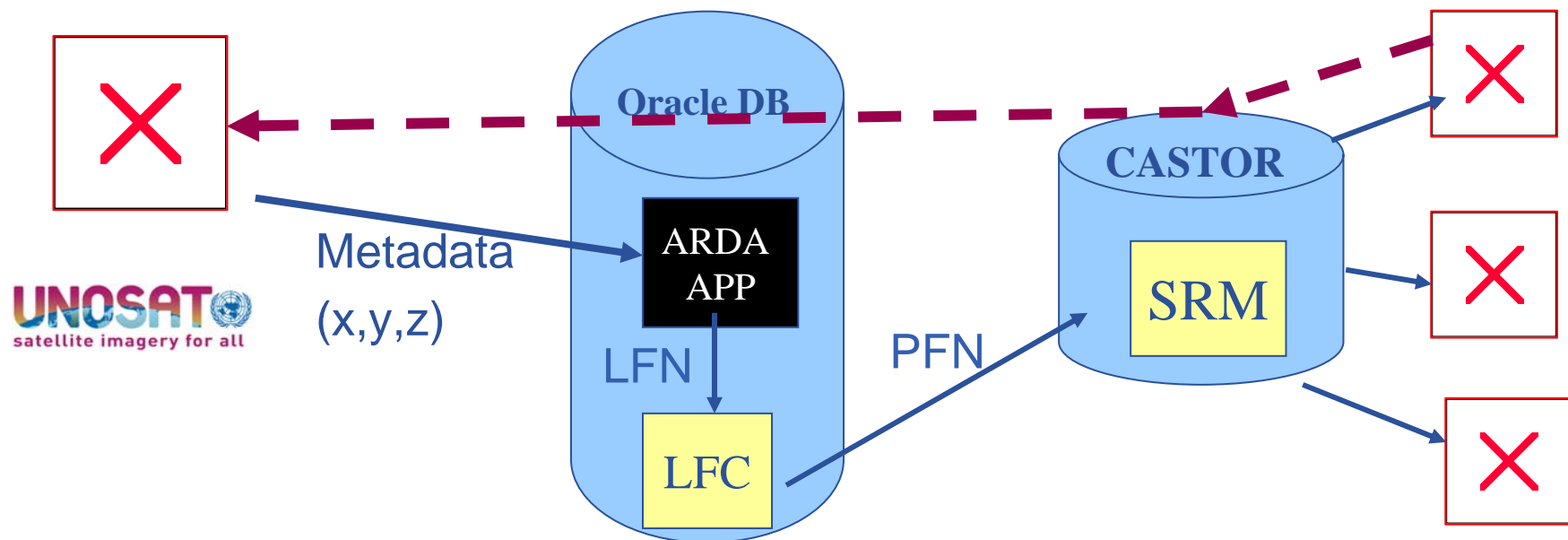


■ LFC Catalogue

- ➔ Mapping of LFN to PFN

■ UNOSAT requires

- ➔ User will give as input data certain coordinates
- ➔ As output, want the PFN for downloading



gLite Documentation

<http://glite.web.cern.ch/glite/documentation/>