



Enabling Grids for E-scienceE



Monitoring templates in QWG

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- **LEMON**
 - **Components:** ncm-fmonagent, ncm-oramonsserver
 - **Templates:** standard/monitoring/lemon
 - **Configuration:**
 - client, server, metrics, etc. via component
 - Web front-end via filecopy

- **Nagios**
 - **Components:** ncm-nagios, ncm-ncg
 - **Templates:** standard/monitoring/nagios, standard/monitoring/nagios3 (!)
 - **Configuration:** client?, server via component

- **Ganglia**
 - **Components:** N/A
 - **Templates:** standard/monitoring/ganglia
 - **Configuration:** client via filecopy, server & web front-end manual

- **MonAMI**
 - **Components:**
 - **Templates:** standard/monitoring/monami
 - **Configuration:** client via filecopy

- **Hierarchical site model should be defined once**
 - **Host:** Machine and associated personality (could be multiple)
 - e.g. wn001.example.org is a cluster node
 - e.g. server.example.org is an NFS server and a web server
 - **Cluster:** List of hosts (e.g. “cluster nodes”, “NFS servers”)
 - Combination of automatic generation (from “personality”) and explicit config
 - e.g. CLUSTERS[“SE”] = find_se_nodes()
 - e.g. CLUSTERS[“bad_nodes”] = list(“wn05.example.org”, “mon.example.org”)
 - **Super-cluster:** List of clusters (e.g. Grid machines, support services)
 - e.g. SUPERCLUSTER[“SUPPORT”]=list(“NFS”, “WEB”)
- **All monitoring tools’ config should be generated from site model**
 - Which sensors are on machine X?
 - Which machines’ data should I aggregate in cluster Y?

- **Hierarchical site model should be defined once**
 - **Host:** Hosts assigned node type by *reg exp match* on hostname (DB_MACHINE)
 - e.g., CE, WN, SE_DISK
 - **Cluster:** Lists of hosts referenced by cluster based on node type
 - e.g., NODES_WN, NODES_GATEWAY, NODES_CE
 - **Super-cluster:** Lists of clusters referenced by super-clusters
 - e.g., GRID_GATEWAY = nlist("GRID_GATEWAY",list("GATEWAY","CE","SE_DISK","MON"));

- **All monitoring tools' config should be generated from site model**
 - Lemon variables re-used to create Nagios hostgroups:
 - e.g., "gridservers/alias" = "TCD Grid Servers";
 - "gridservers/members" = {
 - lis = LEMON_CLUSTERS['GRID_SERVERS'];...
 - Services then assigned to hostgroups
 - Could be used for Ganglia data_source, but TBD

- **Current status in Grid-Ireland**
 - Client
 - ncm-fmonagent
 - *Client still edg-fmon-agent, need to alter client configuration templates*
 - Server
 - ncm-oramonserver
 - *Only used to generate database metadata*
 - *Lemon database creation done by hand using lemon-admin*
 - Some oracle XE environment setup included in templates
- **Issues**
 - Server profiles only for sl4 i386
 - Installing on SL5 x86_64
 - Documentation not up to date with latest release
 - In particular for lemon-web, still lrf
 - Oracle XE very unstable, had to install Enterprise Edition
 - Nearly all of server configuration done by filecopy
 - Some variables, mainly for Oracle connection: username, password etc.
 - Mostly had to remove sections of templates
 - *e.g., oramon service no longer used (lemon-server)*

- **Current status in Grid-Ireland**

- Using ncm-nagios to configure server

- Had to make some local changes after upgrade to nagios v3
 - *Removing some lines from configuration file*
 - Hosts created from hardware db
 - Services defined as separate templates in standard/monitoring/nagios/services
 - *Added to NAGIOS_SERVICE_TEMPLATES variable*
 - Variables for other config files, e.g., servicegroups, hostgroups

- **Issues**

- Wanted to deploy WLCG nagios service checks

- Initially creating service definitions in ncg_services.tpl
 - *Lists defined services to create, VOs, host lists etc.,*
 - e.g., SAM_TESTS, SAM_VOS
 - *added to NAGIOS_EXPLICIT_SERVICES*
 - Difficult to maintain, lots of services created
 - *Nagios3 templates (new?)*
 - Services defined in template ncgservices.tpl (1742 lines!)

- **NCG component**

- WLCG already have nagios configuration generator (NCG)
 - Controlled by configuration file
- Create configuration file using Quattor
 - Component calls ncg.pl to create service definitions
- Easy to maintain
- Multisite configuration possible
- Always up to date service definitions

- **Schema**

- Work in progress
- Need full description of NCG configuration file
- Example:
 - “/software/components/ncg/configGen/nagios/PROBES_TYPE” = “all”;
 - “/software/components/ncg/configGen/nagios/NRPE_UI” = “gridui.cs.tcd.ie”;
- Created output files included in NAGIOS_EXTERNAL_FILES
 - /etc/nagios/wlcg.d/commands.cfg, /etc/nagios/wlcg.d/csTCDie/services.cfg, /etc/nagios/wlcg.d/cpDIASie/services.cfg....

- **Client (gmond)**
 - Well-defined config file format
 - Should be generated based on “site model” and machine type (i.e. “Which cluster am I in?”)
- **Server (gmetad)**
 - Well-defined config file format
 - Should be generated from QWG “site model” (i.e. which machines in which clusters)
- **Web front-end**
 - Config in PHP file



- Tool is of minority interest?
- Main use is nice Torque/Maui/DPM graphs in ganglia
- Probably OK to stick with filecopy for now
- Configuration also needed on ganglia web front-end

Client config

```
# Monitor torque and maui
[torque]
cache = 60

[maui]
cache = 60

# write to ganglia
[sample]
read = maui,torque
write = ganglia
interval = 1m

[ganglia]
```



