



AMI and meta-data in ATLAS Computing

ATLAS meta-data and AMI workshop

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Important Milestones History

- Apr-May 2006. Computing Coordinator called AMI review.
- Jun 2006 - Feb 2007. meta-data TaskForce (TF)
- Oct 2008. Meta-data coordinators nomination within Data Preparation Group
- Mar 2010. Computing Coordinator and Data Preparation Coordinator agreed that AMI is a part of ATLAS Distributed Computing project



Past Important Recommendations

● AMI Review :

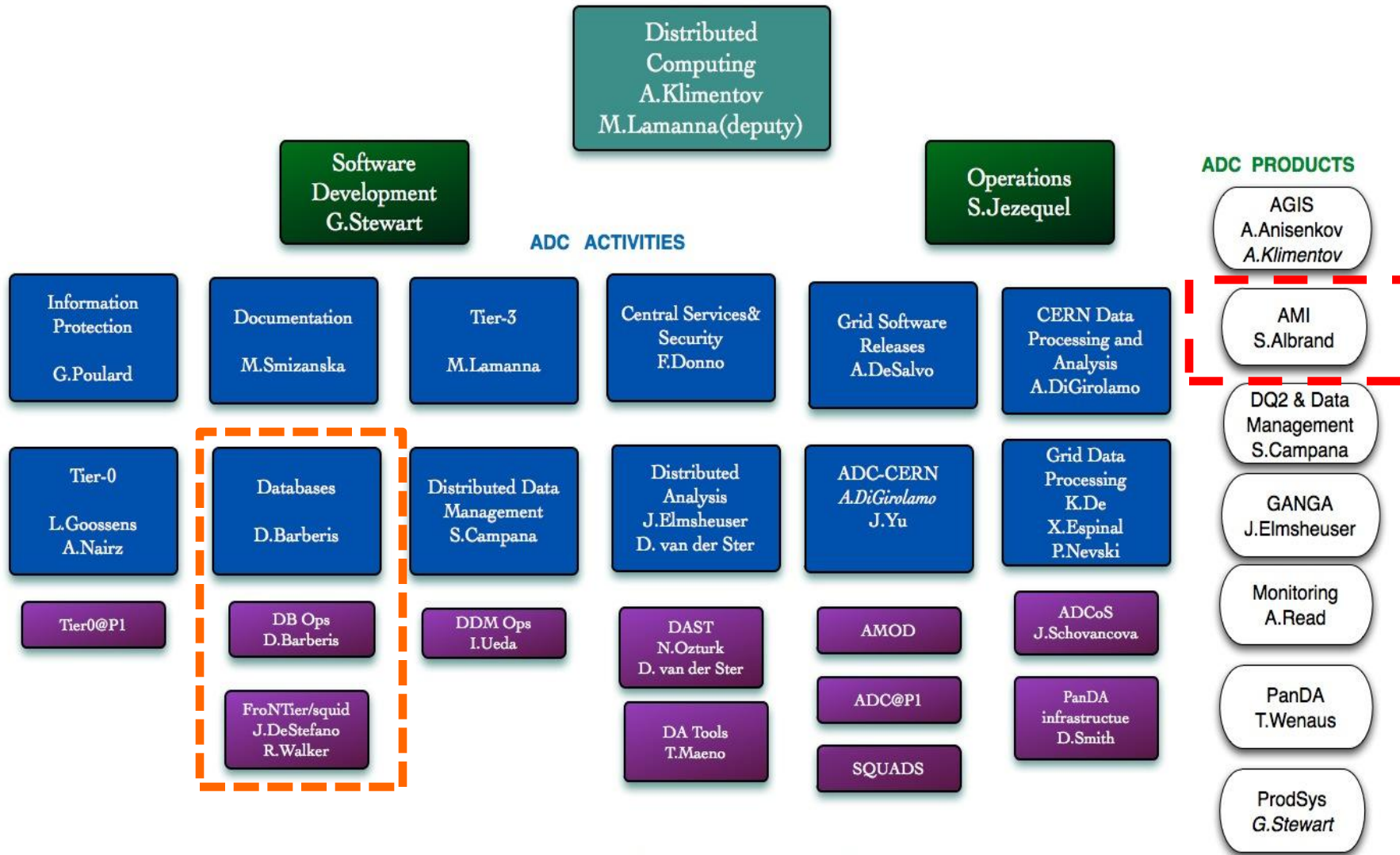
- AMI Group should include at least 2 ATLAS physicists, one of whom should be close to CERN. In short term one of AMI engineers should visit CERN every week.
- ATLAS computing management should immediately identify these physicists with goal being 1 June 2006
- AMI group should take part in Metadata Taskforce
- Dual reporting lines should be established between AMI team and Data Management and Data Preparation

● Meta-data TF :

- Final document provides an overview of the metadata, which are needed to characterize ATLAS event data at different levels (a complete run, data streams within a run, luminosity blocks within a run, individual events).



Present Distributed Computing Org Chart





Offline Database View

Offline Database Coordination: Dario Barberis

Database Software: Elizabeth Gallas

- COOL related tools:
R. Hawkings → M. Borodin
- Liaison to LCG-AA:
E. Gallas, D. Barberis
- Conditions data tagging:
P. Laycock → M. Plamondon
- Geometry DB: V. Tsulaia
- Trigger DB: J. Stelzer

Liaison to Online Databases:

Rainer Bartoldus

Database Operations: Dario Barberis

- DB administration,
monitoring and
optimisation:
G. Dimitrov, F. Viegas
- Liaison to WLCG Service
Coordination:
 - Coordination: D. Barberis
 - Technical (including 3D):
G. Dimitrov, F. Viegas
- DB releases: V. Tsulaia
- ADC servers liaisons:
F. Donno, S. Baranov
- Frontier/Squid support:
J. DeStefano, R. Walker
- Conditions data files:
A. De Salvo

Metadata and TAGs: David Malon

- TAG infrastructure and
contents:
D. Malon, J. Cranshaw,
T. Donszelmann
- TAG uploading tools and
operations:
E. Vinek, F. Viegas
- Conditions metadata:
E. Gallas
- AMI: S. Albrand

June 2010 - February 2011



Data Preparation View

Data Preparation Activity Coordinators

General:	Andreas Hoecker	Beate Heinemann
Data Quality:	Michael Hauschild	Peter Onyisi
PROC:	Walter Lampl	Maaike Limper
Tier-0:	Operations: coordinators: Luc Goossens	Armin Nasse (71220)
Reprocessing:	Adam Gibson	
Luminosity:	run coordinator: Witold Kozaneck group convenors: Benedetto Giacobbe	
Beam spot:	Juerg Beringer	Rainer Bartoldus (71220)
Simulation:	Charlie Young	Adele Rimold
Conditions:	Paul Laycock	Mathieu Plamondon
Magnetic field:	Laurent Chevalier , Marie Legendre	
Metadata:	Eric Torrence	David Malon

[ATLAS Metadata Coordination](#) (mandate)

David Malon, Eric Torrence

Related links:

[Metadata task force report](#)

[ATLAS metadata interface \(AMI\)](#)

[ELSSI \(Event Level Selection Service Interface\)](#)

[ATLAS Data Summary page](#)

[AtlasDataSummary TWiki page](#)

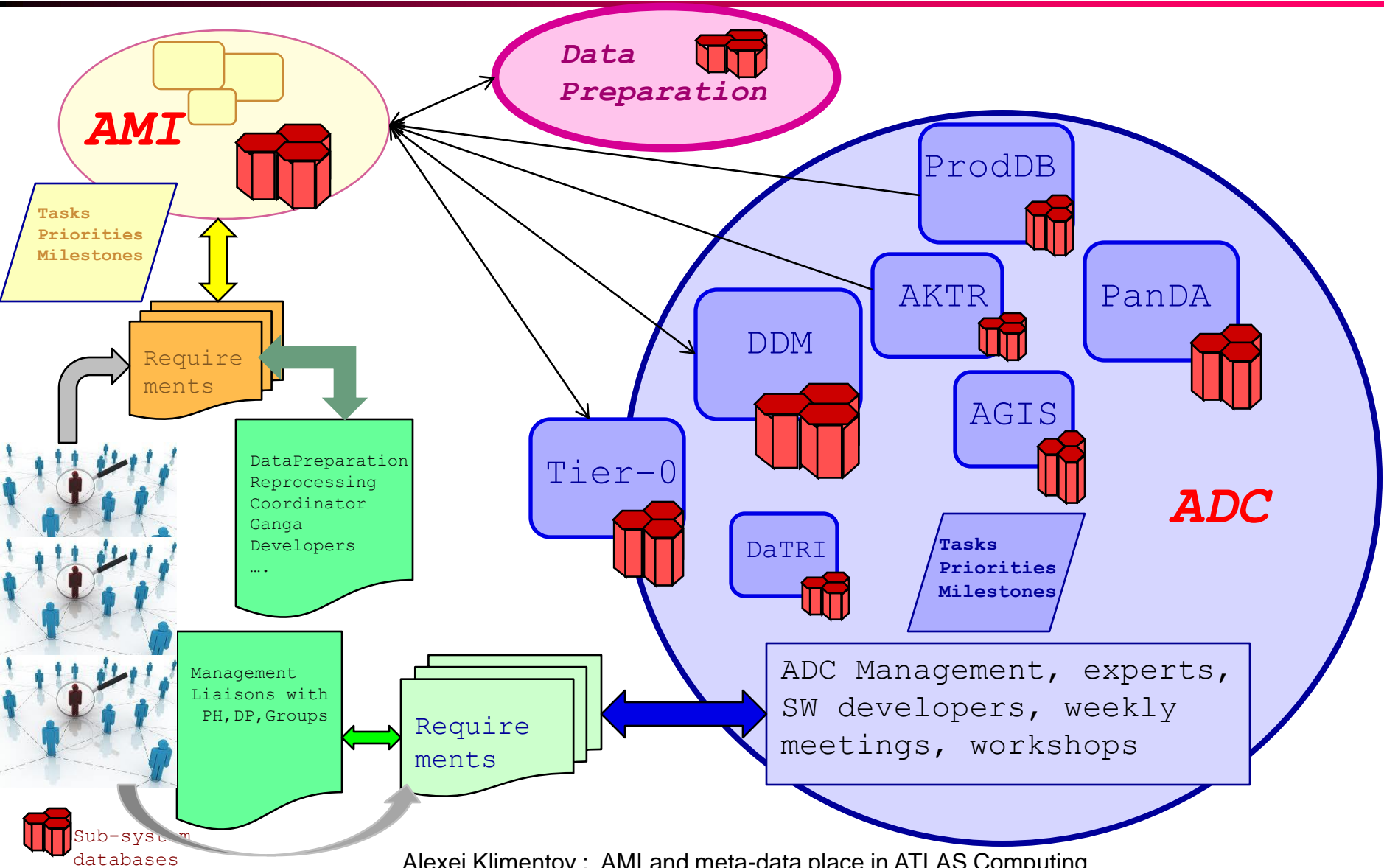
[Document on requesting changes to TAG content](#)



Disclaimer

- It is my biased and sometimes incoherent view on AMI and meta-data handling place in ATLAS Computing
- *AMI Priorities and Tasks are not well synchronized with the other ADC activities.*
 - *It caused :*
 - Duplication in SW Development
 - Information synchronization issues
- At the same time several inconsistencies and bugs were found in various ADC products (databases), due to cross-check within AMI information

My view





Where is the place of AMI and meta-data handling ?

- AMI is a frontend for ATLAS Physics Community and it is used widely. A lot of information is aggregated in AMI. AMI is the first place where physicists look for meta-information
- At the same time :
 - It is still uncertain <to me> where AMI project is placed (it is on the boundary between computing and data preparation and physicists)?
 - What is the best way to optimize reporting lines ?
 - How are software development priorities and requirements defined ?



- *Do we have a sufficiently coherent view of metadata and its handling?*
 - *For users*
 - *For SW developers*