

GROUP 6: "THE CHALLENGE"

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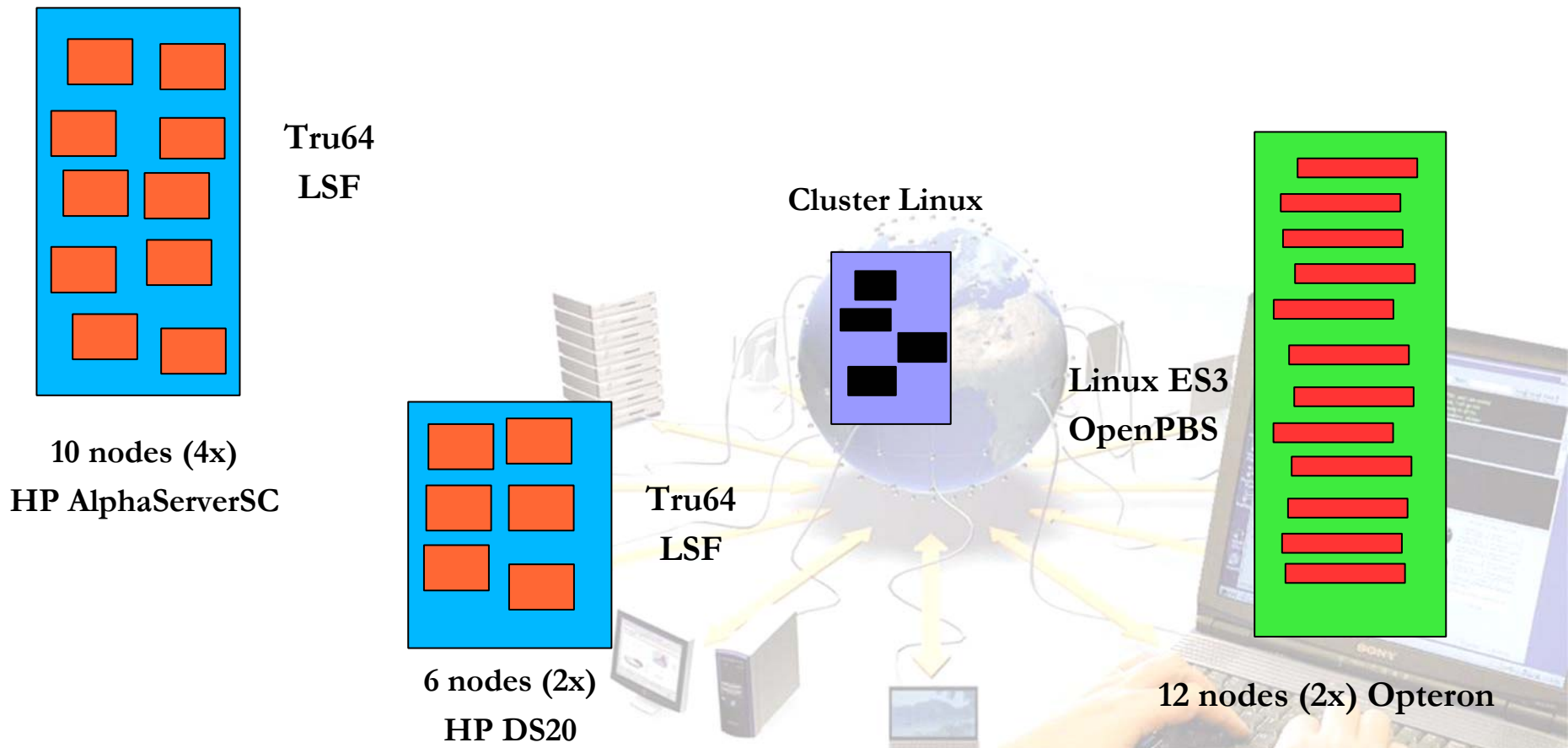
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A PRACTICAL PROBLEM..... ..WHAT WE HAVE.....



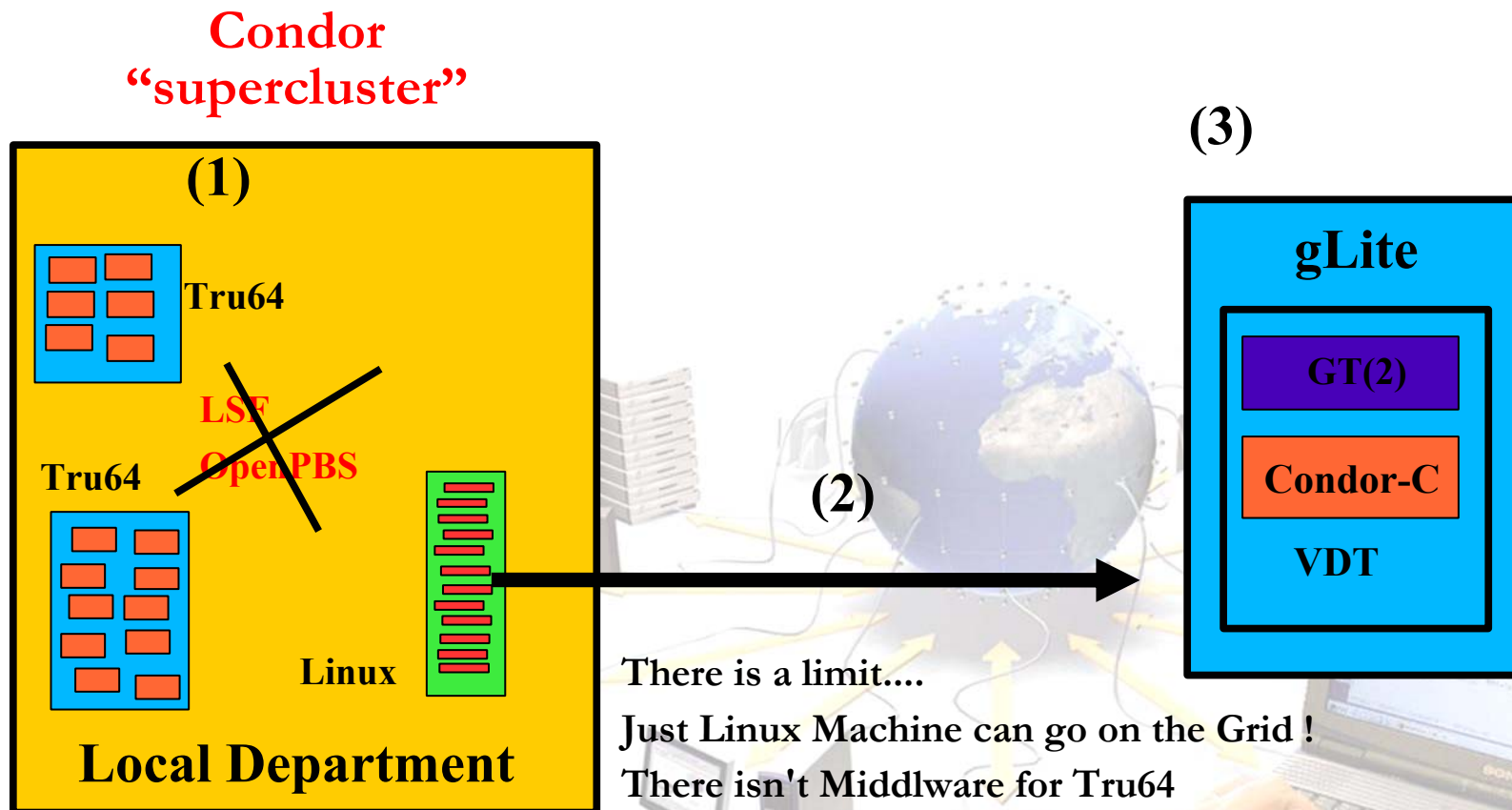
3 clusters (most important)
2 different OSs (Tru64, Linux ES3)
2 different batch systems (LSF, OpenPBS)



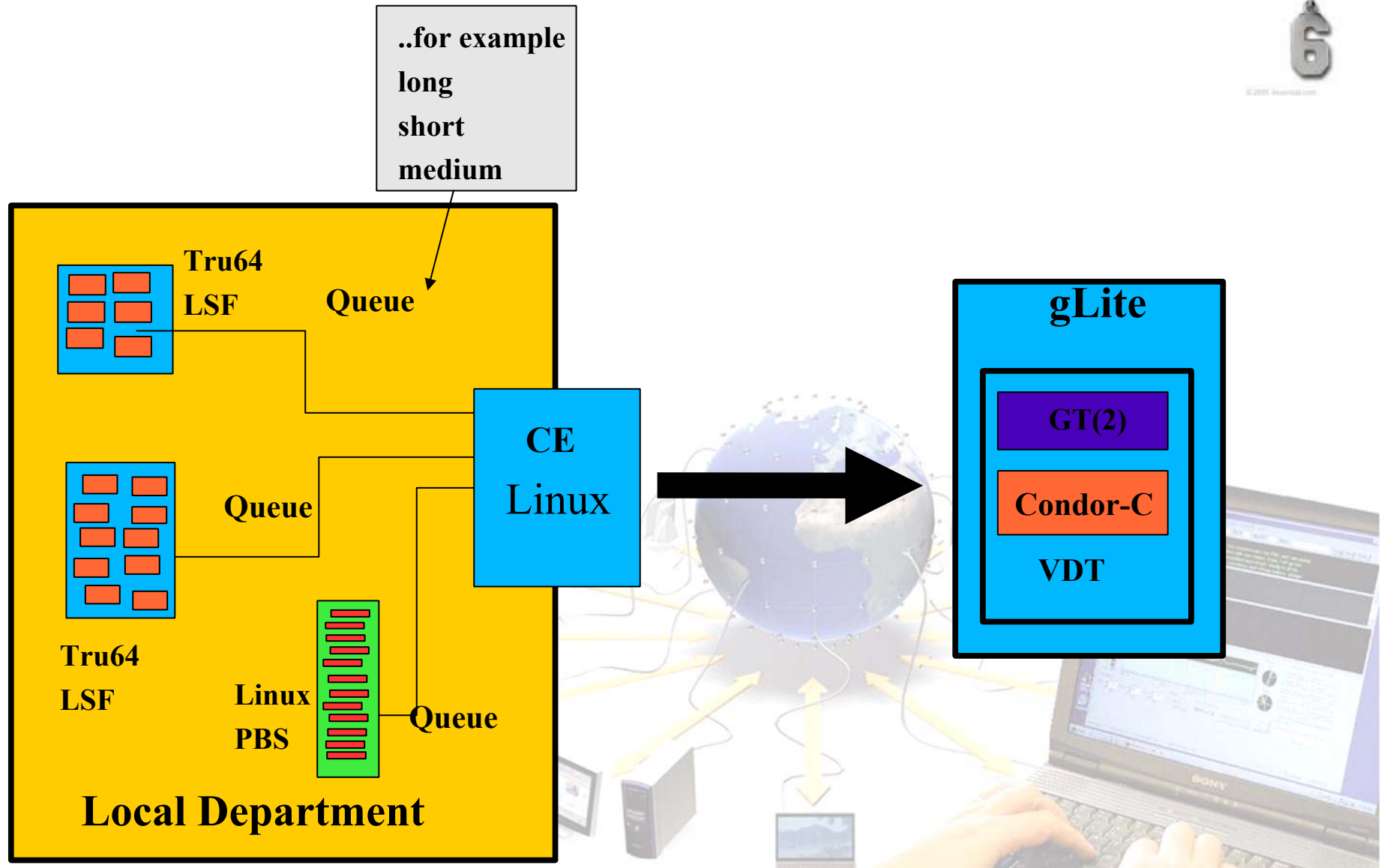
A PRACTICAL PROBLEM..... ..WHAT WE WANT



- (1) To share resources in the local department
- (2) Share my resources in Grid
- (3) Use the Grid



A PRACTICAL PROBLEM..... ..MORE GRID RESOURCES SHARING



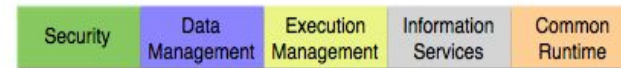
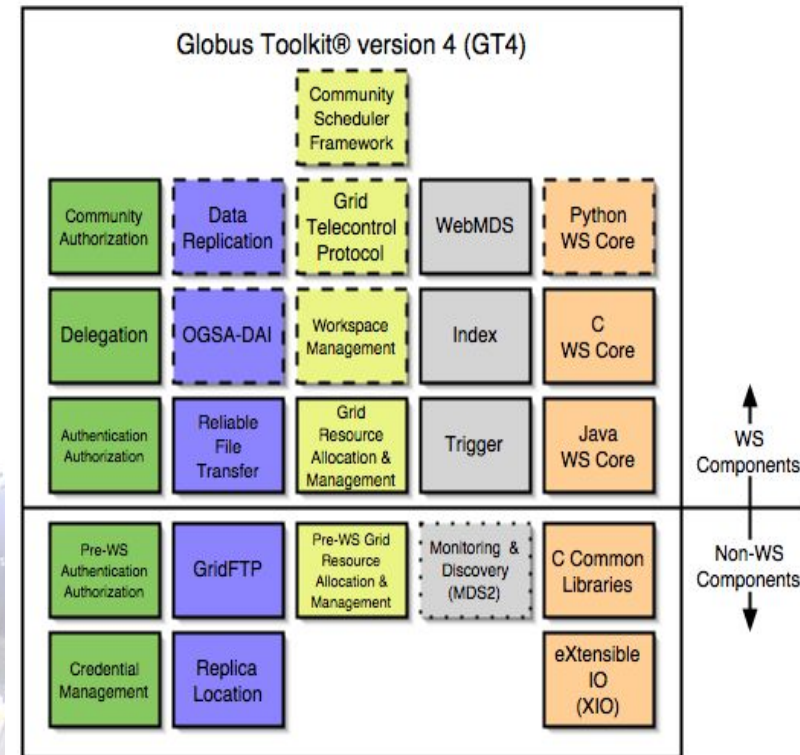
GLOBUS TOOLKIT 4



It is a fundamental enabling technology for the Grid

The toolkit includes software for security, information infrastructure, resource management, data management, communication, fault detection, and portability.

It is packaged as a set of components that can be used either independently or together to develop applications.



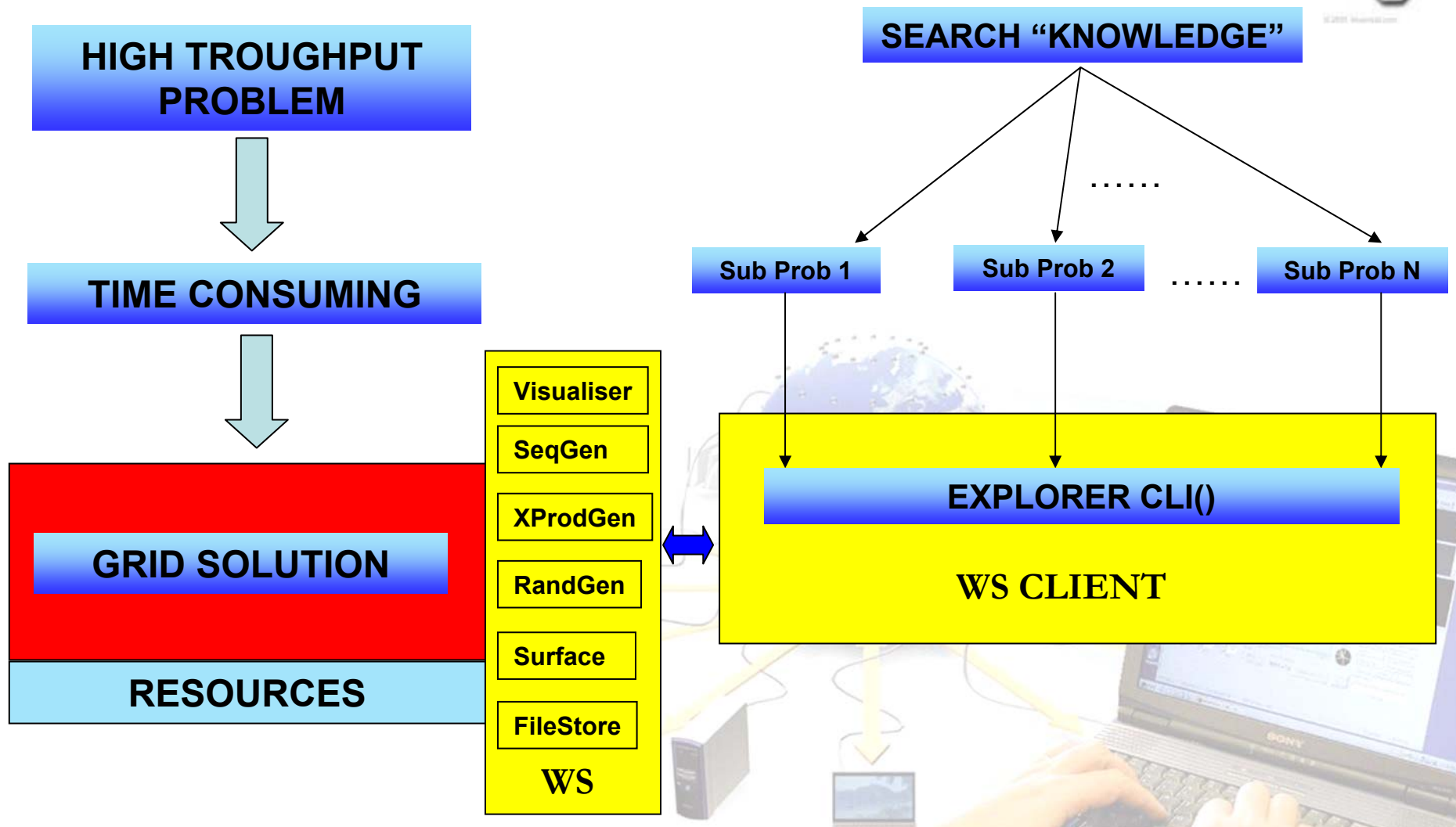
- Core GT Component: public interfaces frozen between incremental releases; best effort support
- Contribution/Tech Preview: public interfaces may change between incremental releases
- Deprecated Component: not supported; will be dropped in a future release

WHY gLite?



- gLite middleware is composed by a layered structure that implements most of the technologies we need:
 - Security
 - Use of X.509 certificates, Proxy and MyProxy to authenticate the users
 - Use of VOMS to organize VO users in groups and/or roles
 - Job & Data Management
 - Use of WMS as a set of Grid components to manage our tasks
 - JDL can easily describe our jobs and our requirements by means of the GlueSchema class add.
 - CondorC to perform all the JM operations (job submission/removal).
 - Use of simply disk pools accessed by SRM interface with standard POSIX-I/O using many different protocols gsiftp, rfiio, file, ...
 - Use of File Catalog, Replica Catalog, File Authorization Service and Metadata Catalog.
 - Information & Monitoring
 - Globus MDS to retrieve all the static and dynamic information to know the status of the grid (eg. Lcg-infosites).
 - RGMA seems a flexible service to produce, register, publish and access data.
 - Data is viewed as a SQL table.
 - Data queued by simply SQL queries.
 - Grid Access
 - Plug & Play UI is a good solution to access all the grid services by means of CL and API.

EXERCISE : "SEARCH THE KNOWLEDGE" (1/2)



EXERCISE : “SEARCH THE KNOWLEDGE” (2/2)

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Develop program to compute a set of points

- Explorer Client :
 - Local functionality
 - Web Services
- Convert Explorer to use GT Web Services
- Evolution of the client (just studied, not implemented)
- OGSA-DAI to access DBs (deepThoughtII, PeoplesPublicData.xml)

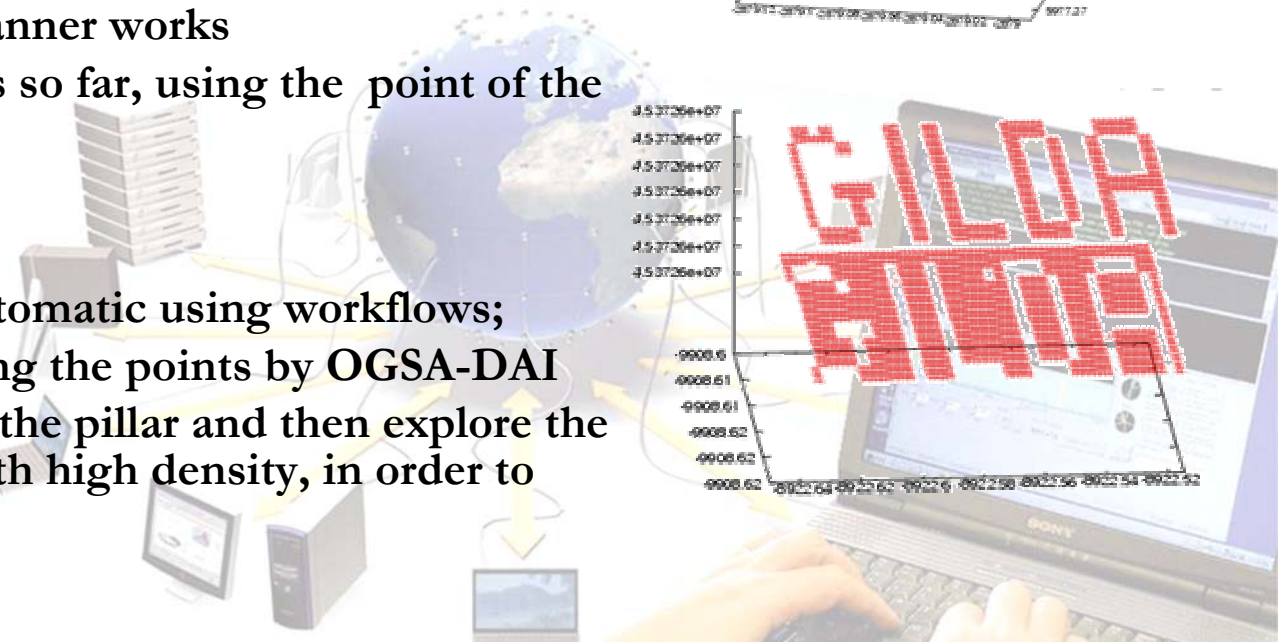
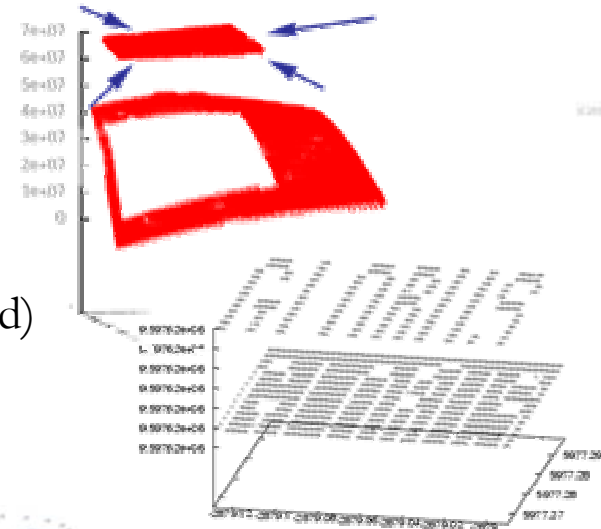
Final Exercise (“search for knowledge”):

- Understood how the scanner works
- Recognized three pillars so far, using the point of the previous databases;
- Discovered two words

Future:

Make the discover more automatic using workflows;

- Access to DBs containing the points by OGSA-DAI
- Look for outliers inside the pillar and then explore the surface around them with high density, in order to retrieve the words.



TEAM WORK

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 - Contribution to the presentation
 - Slide about gLite
- **Silke Halstenberg**
 - Contribution to the exercises
 - Search of knowledge
- **Giuseppe Misurelli**
 - Contribution to practical problem solution
 - Slide about gLite
- **Giovanni Morelli**
 - Propose of the practical problem
 - Contribution to the practical problem solution
- **Concetto Spampinato**
 - Contribution to the exercises
 - Slide about the exercises
- **Daniele Spiga**
 - Contribution to practical problem solution
 - Slide about GT
- **Roberto Turrin**
 - Coordination of the team work
 - Exercises, search of knowledge and programming



TEAM FEEDBACK



- **Cons**

- The exercise proposes a practical use of the Grid and Web Services, but was too focused on the programming aspect
- Review the time scheduling:
 - Time to think about the lectures
 - Time to think about how to do exercises
 - Time to do the exercise
- More Grid Principals and Concepts
- Less stress

- **Pro**

- The progressive exercise is a good way to interact with the technologies
- Good combination of theory and practices
- We appreciated to see many technologies and real applications of the Grid
- Work in team is very interesting (even if not easy..)

- **Now:**

- We have a larger view about Grids
- We have more knowledge of other languages and people