

Globus Toolkit Implementation

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Overview

- Security for VOs
- Data Services
 - ◆ GridFTP, RFT, RLS, OGSA-DAI
- Execution Services
 - ◆ WS GRAM, Workspace Service
- Information Services
 - ◆ Index Service, Information Providers, WebMDS
- Security Services
 - ◆ MyProxy, GSI-OpenSSH, CAS

Security for Virtual Organizations

- The Grid Security Infrastructure (GSI) provides for the requirements of Virtual Organizations:
 - ◆ Single sign-on
 - ◆ Delegation of rights
 - ◆ Mutual Authentication
- Based on X.509 Public Key Infrastructure plus RFC 3820 *proxy certificates*

Certificates

- Every user and service is identified by a certificate
- Contains:
 - ◆ A subject name
 - ◆ A public key
 - ◆ The identity of a Certificate Authority
 - ◆ The digital signature of the named CA
- The signature creates the link between the public key and the subject name

Authentication and Authorization

- To authenticate, you present your proxy certificate for validation
- This establishes your Distinguished Name
- The DN can then be mapped to a level of authorization
 - ◆ Can be accomplished via a callout to your authorization system of choice
- The resource owner has the final word

Data Services

- The GridFTP protocol provides for the secure, robust, fast and efficient transfer of (especially bulk) data
- The Reliable File Transfer service provides scheduler-like functionality for data movement
- The Replica Location Service is a distributed registry that keeps track of where replicas exist on physical storage systems

GridFTP

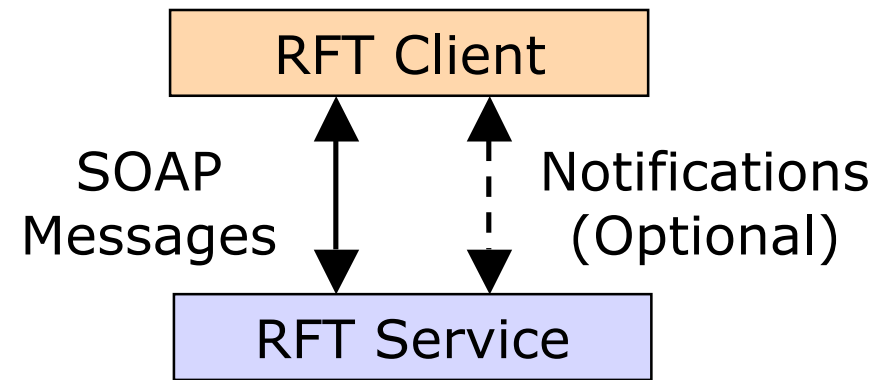
- GT4 includes a server implementation of the GridFTP protocol, called `globus-gridftp-server`
- A commandline client, `globus-url-copy`
- Pluggable Data Storage Interfaces (DSI) for SRB, HPSS, NeST
- Striped data-nodes for higher bandwidth

Reliable File Transfer Service

- Provides a Web Service interface to GridFTP file transfers
- Provide a list of source and destination URLs, and they will be transferred
- Can subscribe for notifications of state change events
- State stored in a database for fault tolerance

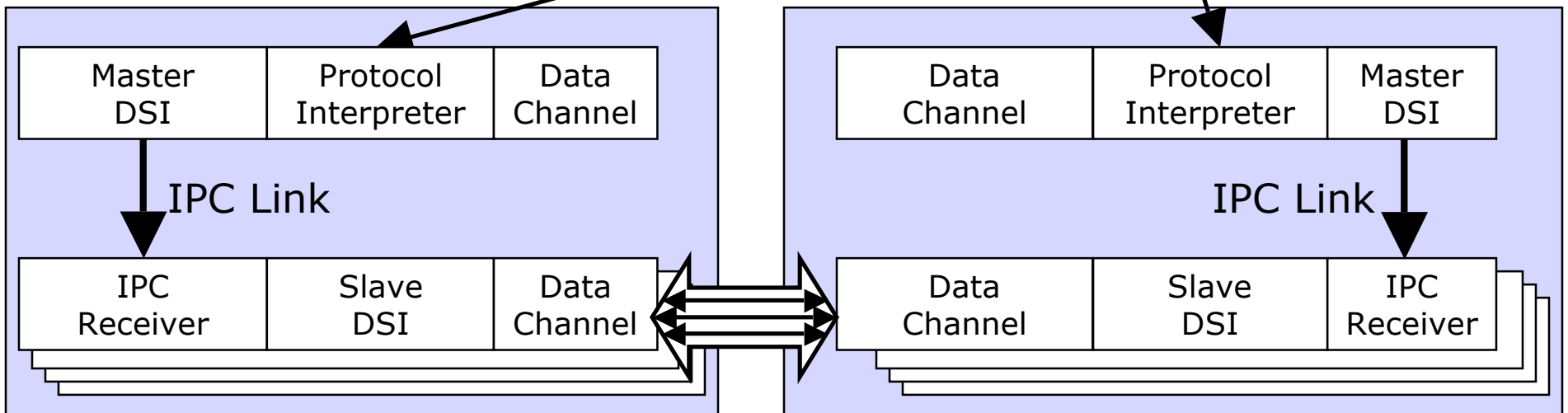
Reliable File Transfer: Third Party Transfer

- Fire-and-forget transfer
- Web services interface
- Many files & directories
- Integrated failure recovery
- Has transferred 900K files



GridFTP Server

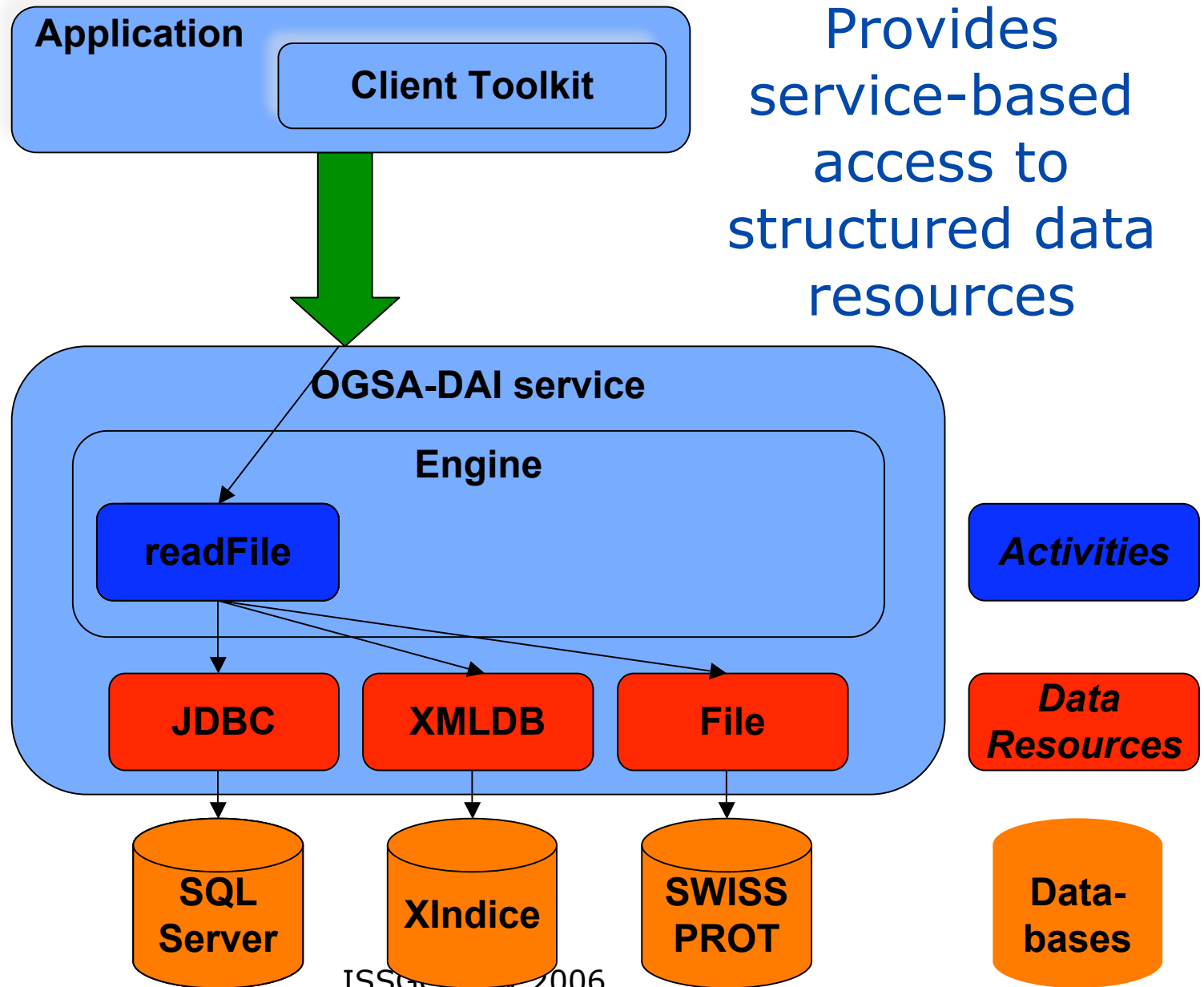
GridFTP Server



Replica Location Service

- Maps Logical File Names (LFN) to one or more Physical File Names (PFN)
- Distributed registries allow for scaling and fault tolerance
- The Data Replication Service combines RFT and RLS to ensure that a specified set of files exists on a storage site

The OGSA-DAI Framework



OGSA-DAI Hides Heterogeneity

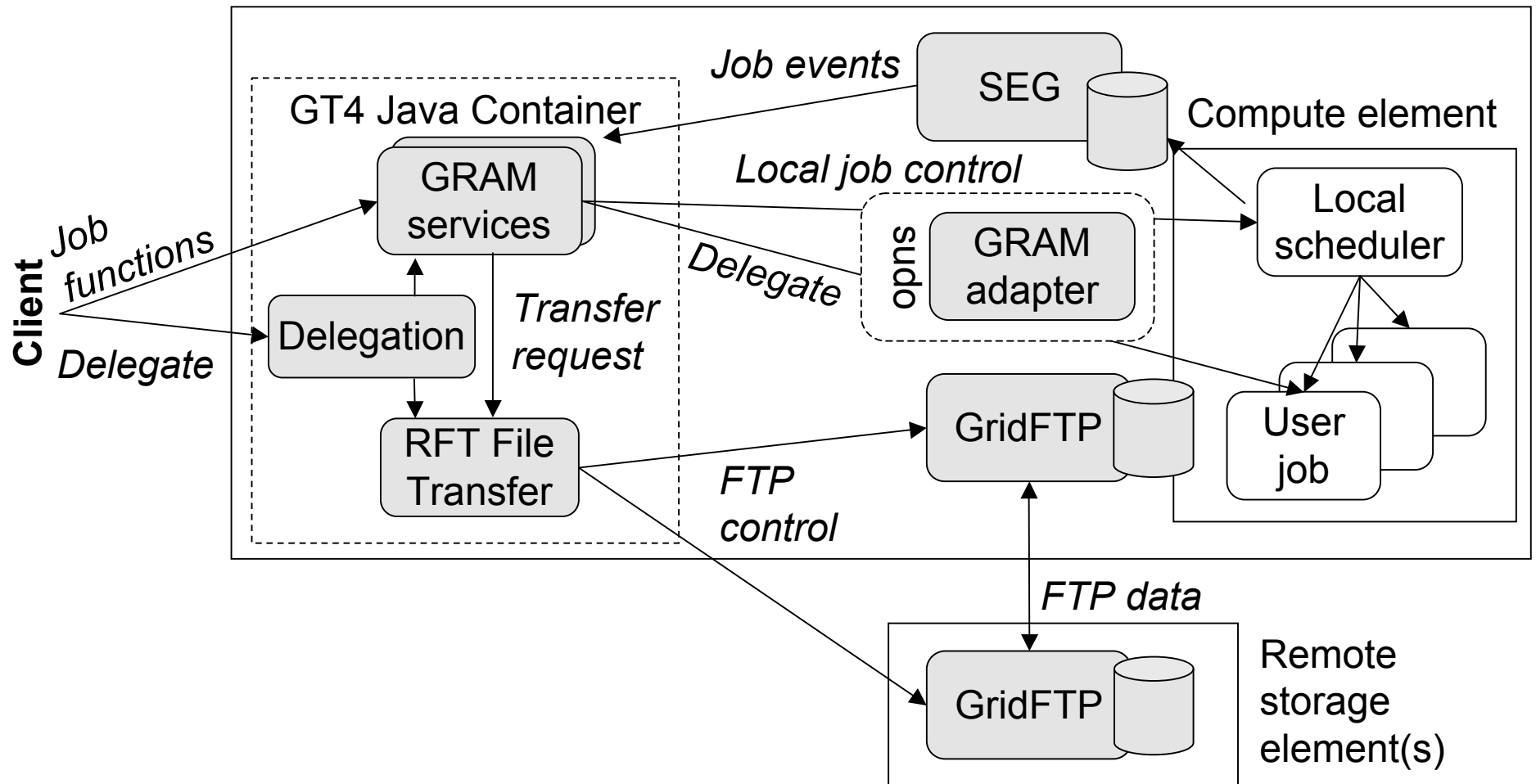
- Supports data access, insert and update
 - ◆ Relational: MySQL, Oracle, DB2, SQL Server, Postgres
 - ◆ XML: Xindice, eXist
 - ◆ Files – CSV, BinX, EMBL, OMIM, SWISSPROT,...
- Supports data delivery
 - ◆ SOAP over HTTP
 - ◆ FTP; GridFTP
 - ◆ E-mail
 - ◆ Inter-service
- Supports data transformation
 - ◆ XSLT
 - ◆ ZIP; GZIP
- Supports security
 - ◆ X.509 certificate based security

Execution Services

- Grid Resource Access Management (GRAM) is intended for jobs where arbitrary programs, stateful monitoring, credential management, and file staging are important
- It manages this via a Service Oriented Architecture

GT4 WS GRAM Architecture

Service host(s) and compute element(s)



WS-GRAM Approach: Execution

- At the most basic level: Create a WSRF resource for your Job
- GRAM is an engine for communicating with a range of different local resource schedulers using a standard message format
- The GRAM service itself is a job management service that represents, monitors, and controls the overall job life cycle

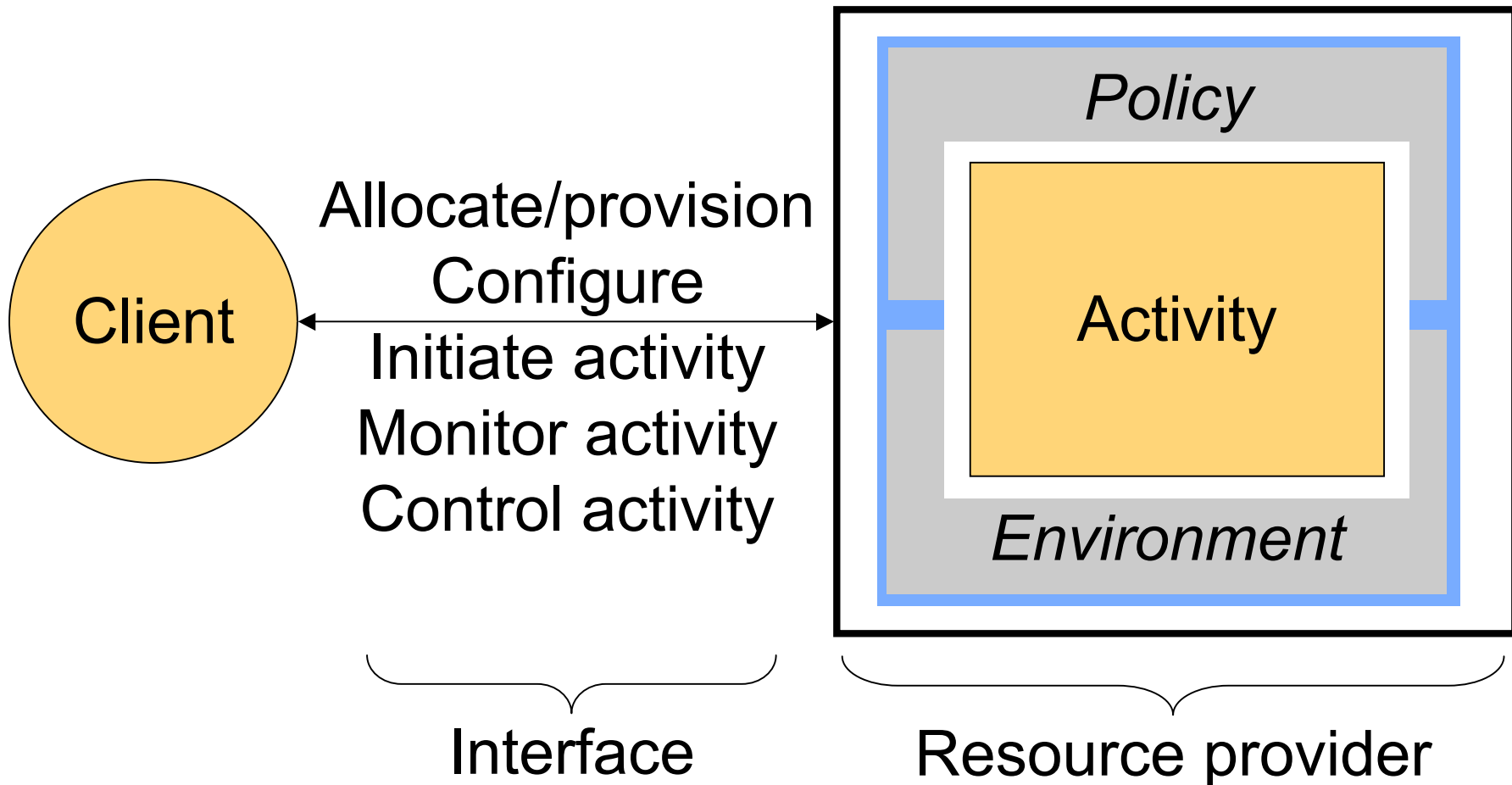
WS-GRAM Approach: Data

- File transfer services support staging of files into and out of compute resources
- Uses the RFT service to provide reliable, high-performance transfers of files between the compute resource and external (gridftp) data storage elements before and after the job execution
- Allows an arbitrary number of files to stage in/out, not just stdout/stderr

WS-GRAM Approach: Security

- The Delegation Service provides a WSRF interface to the delegation of proxy credentials
- Lets you delegate multiple credentials so your job can coordinate cross-VO activities
- Also allows for credential refresh for long-running jobs
- Can reduce the overhead for submission of a large number of small jobs

Workspace Service: The Hosted Activity



Monitoring and Discovery

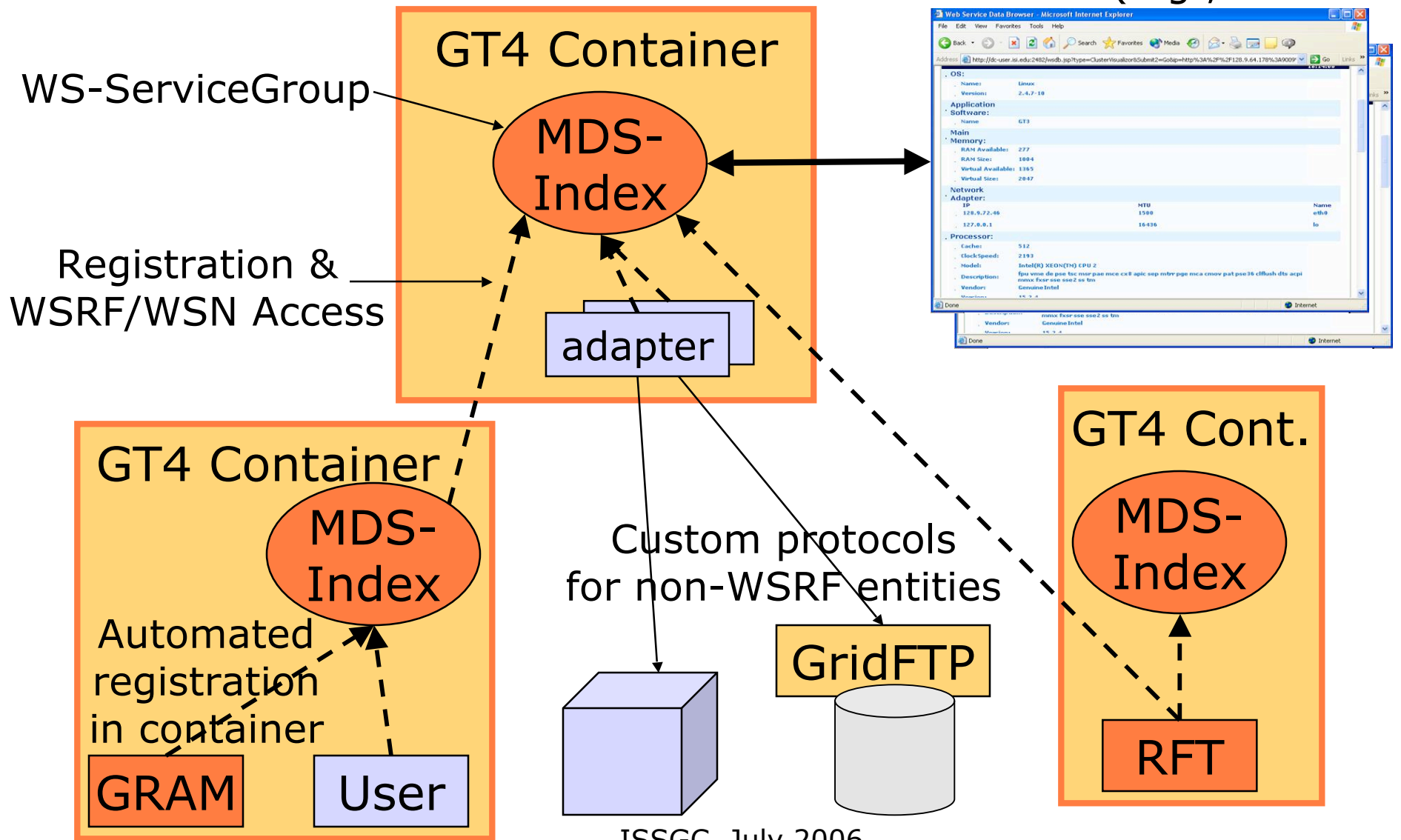
- “Every service should be monitorable and discoverable using common mechanisms”
 - ◆ WSRF/WSN provides those mechanisms
- A common aggregator framework for collecting information from services, thus:
 - ◆ MDS-Index: Xpath queries, with caching
 - ◆ MDS-Trigger: perform action on condition
- Deep integration with Globus containers & services: every GT4 service is discoverable
 - ◆ GRAM, RFT, GridFTP, CAS, ...

Information Services

- Index service collects data from various sources and provides a query/subscription interface to that data
- Trigger service collects data from various sources and can be configured to take action based on that data
- WebMDS is a web-based interface to WSRF resource property information that is available as a user-friendly front-end to the Index Service

GT4 Monitoring & Discovery

Clients
(e.g., WebMDS)



Index Service

- Each Globus container that has MDS4 installed will automatically have a default Index Service instance
- By default, the local services register into that index
- Can aggregate index services into a central VO-level index service

Information Providers

- Information Providers gather information from external sources and publish it as WSRF Resource Properties
- Allows cluster monitoring systems like Ganglia and Hawkeye to publish information in the GLUE Schema
- Also publish queue data for SGE, LSF, OpenPBS, PBSPro, Torque

WebMDS



ServiceGroup Overview

This page provides a brief overview of Web Services and/or WS-Resources that are members of a WS-ServiceGroup.

This WS-ServiceGroup has 3 direct entries, 10 in whole hierarchy.

Resource Type	ID	Information	
CAS	127.0.0.1	Serving VO: Description of VO of CAS service	detail
ServiceGroup	128.9.72.106	This WS-ServiceGroup has 3 direct entries, 3 including descendants.	detail
GRAM	128.9.72.106	0 queues, submitting to 0 cluster(s) of 0 host(s).	detail
GRAM	128.9.72.106	1 queues, submitting to 0 cluster(s) of 0 host(s).	detail
RFT	128.9.72.106	0 active transfer resources, transferring 0 files. 9.5 GB transferred in 3970 files since start of database.	detail
ServiceGroup	128.9.72.178	This WS-ServiceGroup has 4 direct entries, 4 including descendants.	detail
GRAM	128.9.72.178	0 queues, submitting to 1 cluster(s) of 10 host(s).	detail
RFT	128.9.72.178	0 active transfer resources, transferring 0 files. 8.42 GB transferred in 84519 files since start of database.	detail
GRAM	128.9.72.178	2 queues, submitting to 1 cluster(s) of 10 host(s).	detail
GRAM	128.9.72.178	1 queues, submitting to 1 cluster(s) of 10 host(s).	detail

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XSLF transformation provided by [servicegrouptable.xsl](#) version 1.5.

Security Services

- Delegation Service (as seen in WS GRAM)
- SimpleCA for creating/running a small Certificate Authority
- GSI-OpenSSH for GSI security with SSH
- MyProxy server for credential management

GSI-OpenSSH

- GSI-OpenSSH can be used to login to remote systems and transfer files between systems without entering a password
- Automatically delegates a proxy credential to the remote system

MyProxy

- You can store X.509 proxy credentials in the MyProxy repository, protected by a passphrase for later retrieval over the network
- MyProxy can also be used for authentication to grid portals and credential renewal with job managers

Community Authorization Service

- A CAS server issues assertions to the virtual organization users, granting them fine-grained access rights to resources
- Servers recognize and enforce the assertions
- CAS is designed to be extensible to multiple services and is currently supported by the GridFTP server