Knowledge-based Grids

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Data Intensive Computing Environment

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Browsers Digital Embryo project Information Power Grid / 2MASS Particle Physics Data Grid



Technologies for Managing Storage in the Web

- Grids
- Data Grids
- Digital Libraries
- Persistent Archives
- Knowledge-based Grids



Storage Management

- Logical representations for storage systems
 - Store bits of data
- Logical representations for information repositories
 - Logical representations for collections (Information about digital objects)
 - Store attributes about data
- Logical representations for knowledge repositories
 - Store relationships between attributes



Grid Services

• Grids provide access to distributed resources: computing, storage, sensors, display devices,...

Middleware services

- Remote job execution
- Remote file access
- Authentication across administration domains
- "Single sign-on"
- Examples Globus, Legion



Globus Layered Grid Architecture (By Analogy to Internet Architecture)

"Specialized services": user- or appln-specific distributed services

"Managing multiple resources": ubiquitous infrastructure services

"Sharing single resources": negotiating access, controlling use

"Talking to things": communication (Internet protocols) & security

"Controlling things locally": Access to, & control of, resources





Data Grid

- Supports management of data objects across a distributed set of storage resources
- Extends Grids to include data management. Challenges are:
 - Object discovery
 - Managing context for objects (organization into collections)
 - Managing relationships between objects (concept spaces)
 - Integration of collections into data grids



Collection-based Storage

- Access millions to billions of data objects within a collection
 - Astronomy sky surveys 2-Micron All Sky Survey
 - 5 million images, 10 TBs of data
- Access requirements
 - Replicate between two HPSS archives
 - Provide access to individual images
 - Provide access to thousands of images



Linking Collections with Data Grids



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Digital Libraries

- Provide services to discover, access, manipulate information organized in collections
- Discover
 - Digital library standards for provenance metadata Dublin Core
 - Information catalog characterization MCAT
 - Schema composition for extensible discipline attributes EMCAT
 - Discovery mechanisms based on XML syntax XQuery
- Access
 - Metadata delivery mechanisms for information content using XML -SDLIP
- Manipulate
 - Extensions to XQuery for manipulation of scientific data





Persistent Archives

- Provide interoperability mechanisms to migrate collections from old technologies to new technologies
- Requires ability to migrate across:
 - Media
 - Storage systems
 - Collections
 - Information markup language standards



ERA: Archival Components Concept

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Grid Security Infrastructure

Storage Resource Broker/Extensible Meta-data CATalog



Evolution of Grids

- File-based access
 - Digital objects identified by path name
- Collection-based access
 - Digital objects identified by collection attributes
- Knowledge-based access
 - Digital objects identified by domain concepts

Map from concepts used by a discipline to collection attributes to local file name



Knowledge Based Grid





Common Web Storage Management Hierarchy

- Knowledge-based Grids
 - Concept based access
- Data Grid
 - Access to data across administration domains
- Digital Library
 - Services applied to information
- Data Collection
 - Manage information
- Data handling
 - Manage access to storage systems
- Persistent Archives
 - Manage evolution of software and hardware storage systems







Collection Interactions

- Provide a logical representation for a collection (schema, table structure)
- Register a collection as an object within a grid
- Dynamically generate SQL commands for attribute-value based discovery
- Export data elements form collection into containers
- Manipulate containers (replicate, cache, transport)







Table Access Interface

- Facility to access tabular data using SRB API
- View SQL queries as Locators (Path Names or URI)
- Apply open, close, read, write operations
- Provide for very general queries to specific queries
 - any query on a database to soft queries to hard-coded queries
- Access Result Table as a Stream
- Provide Server-side operations to present results
 - Forms, HTML, XML, ...
 - Data Wetting, Charting, Visualization

• Multi-modal Ingestion

- SQL ingestion
- Packed Ingestion useful in data movement and replication
- Directly ingest data marked by HTML, XML, ...



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Shadow Objects

- A feature for registering partial physical locations
 - Partial path in a file system allows one to access files under a directory
 - Partial SQL query allows for modification at access time.
- Registering a null query allows for any query to be allowed



Server-side Presentation

- Markup data before sending to client
- Generic markup HTML, XML
- Specific markup Template
- Template Language
 - Allows data element variables
 - Control structure if-then-else, for , nested
 - Object-in-object
- User specifies mark up at query time
- Can be used for other data streams also!

Information Management Projects

Digital Libraries

- NSF Digital Library Initiative, Phase II UCSB, Stanford
- Digital Embryo digital library GMU
- NPACI Digital Sky Caltech 2MASS sky survey
- CDL AMICO
- NSF NSDL UCAR / DLESE

Grid Environments

- NASA Information Power Grid NASA Ames
- DOE Data Visualization Corridor LLNL
- DOE Particle Physics Data Grid Stanford, Caltech
- NSF Grid Physics Network U FI

Persistent Archives

- NARA Persistent Archive
- NHPRC Scalable archives



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