

CAS (alpha release)

- Current release thought for grid-ftp only
 - CAS issues restricted proxy certificates
- Missing features:
 - subgroups;
 - replicas;
 - confidentiality for the GSI delegation request;
 - absence of a CAS superuser (feature?);
 - user info missing (feature?);
 - documentation (in particular API's).

Considerations

- Do we need a CAS or a VO Membership server?
 - server should contain user membership and role info only;
 - access rights should be located with the resources and enforced by the entity which controls them.
- Users may need more than one CAS certificate simultaneously (even more so if we are going towards “pure” authentication certificates).
- User info should be present in CAS certificate:
 - required by local sites (e.g. to ban specific users);
 - required for automatic proxy renewal (?);
 - required for ACL of local resources;
 - for mapping to Unix UID/GID (*grid-mapfile*).
- **Without proof of the user’s consent, CAS is a CA with its private key online and unencrypted!**
 - **user info into CAS cert is not sufficient.**

Possible Alternative?

1. The user submits his request to CAS.
2. CAS returns (**signed**):
 - User Info,
 - CAS Id,
 - User Id,
 - Timestamp,
 - Validity Period.
3. The user repeats above steps for each CAS.
4. The user generates the proxy with CAS info into extensions.
 - Advantages:
 - compatibility with the current system;
 - ease of integration of info from more than one CAS.
 - ACL checking?

TestBed 2 (9/02)

- CAS? No, thank you!
 - looking at CAS code
- VO LDAP system enhancements:
 - the user can choose the VO
 - this opens the way to other possibilities (e.g. roles);
 - *grid-mapfiles* are no longer published (WP1);
 - access to LDAP directories restricted to selected nodes/users (e.g. only bearers of “valid” certificates).

DataTAG / iVDGL

- Authentication: ok
 - Mutual Trust Treaty has been signed:
 - DOE CA certs accepted by EDG testbeds
 - CRL's issues (?);
 - EDG CA's certs accepted by PPDG experiment testbeds (except BaBar?).
- Authorization:
 - CAS unsuitable at the moment;
 - DataTAG proposal:
 - VO LDAP Directories, mkgridmap, VO management tools by C. Steenberg.
 - iVDGL:
 - still discussing.
- Next meeting: 23-24 May.