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Quattor Installation of Grid Software

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Use Quattor to

- install machines
- maintain clusters
- manage (grid) software configuration

- Development
- Priorities
- Status
- LCG-2 Configuration
- Outstanding Tasks
- Conclusions



- Core Quattor Effort
 - Continued development
 - G. Cancio (CERN), R. Leiva, M. Bock (UAM)
 - CERN (IT/FIO):
 - development focused on managing CERN fabric
 - contributed generic core components
 - no mandate for grid-specific components
- Community Effort
 - Quattor meeting March 26, 2004:
 - Attendance by ~20 people
 - Strong interest in Quattor use
 - LCFG port of components/configuration
 - ~2 people; part-time *reducing to* ~1 person; part-time
 - D. Groep (NIKHEF), C. Loomis (LAL)

Priorities (LAL perspective)

- “Full” LCG-2 installation
 - Benefit: push to finish Quattor port
 - Risk: revert to LCFG
- *Fully*-automatic installation & configuration
 - Secure credential distribution
 - Missing configuration (e.g. MySQL)
- gLite installation
- Other software:
 - Standard services (DHCP, DNS, ...)
 - Other grid software (XtremeWeb, XGrid, ...)

Quattor Components Used

- All: Automatic Installation Infrastructure
- CDB: Configuration Database
 - pan/panc: used directly
 - cdbop: **subversion/ant**
- SWRep: Software Repository
 - **apache**
- CCM: Configuration Cache Manager
- NCM/NCD: Node Configuration Management
- SPMA: Software Package Management Agent

- Matured significantly since March
 - “Complete” standard Pan library
 - Critical configuration components exist
 - Offers end-to-end solution
- OS Installation
 - Easy for RH-like OSes:
 - comps.xml description
 - RPM package format
 - Proven with RH7.3, RH9, FC1, FC2, *SL3.01*, CEL3
 - Solaris at CERN
- LCG-2 configuration
 - <http://grid05.lal.in2p3.fr/svn/egee-cfg/trunk> (subversion)
 - RPM lists all ported; all install.

- UI (OK)
- CE
 - mkgridmap problem; GK problems
- WN
 - probably OK (see UI); PBS client part not tested
- SE
 - mkgridmap problem; configuration ~OK; gridftp OK
- RB
 - mkgridmap problem; WM, LM, JC daemons die
- LCG-BDII (OK)
- PX (OK)

Outstanding Tasks

- Fix mkgridmap
 - RPM dependencies incomplete
 - PERL dependency problems
- NCM components
 - template facility
 - ceinfo (needs testing to finish)
 - MySQL
 - quattor services
 - fabric monitoring
 - maintenance (log rotate, etc.)
- Testing
- Credential distribution

Conclusions

- Quattor
 - Offers end-to-end installation & configuration tool
 - Better control/checking than past tools
- LCG-2 configuration
 - All rpm lists exist (and install)
 - All critical configuration components exist
 - Several node types work; others need testing
 - Configuration re-factored to make more flexible
- Issues:
 - Reduction of community effort
 - Longer-term maintenance of configuration