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GridLab Middleware and Tools

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GridLab Project



- Funded by the EU (5+ M€), January 2002 March 2005
- Application and Testbed oriented
 - Cactus Code, Triana Workflow, all the other applications that want to be Gridenabled
- Main goal: to develop a Grid Application Toolkit (GAT) and set of grid middleware services and tools...:
 - resource management (GRMS),
 - data management,
 - monitoring,
 - adaptive components,
 - mobile user support,
 - security services,
 - portals,
- ... and test them on a real testbed with real applications



GridLab Members

- PSNC (Poznan) coordination
- AEI (Potsdam)
- ZIB (Berlin)
- Univ. of Lecce
- Cardiff University
- Vrije Univ. (Amsterdam)
- SZTAKI (Budapest)
- Masaryk Univ. (Brno)
- NTUA (Athens)
- Sun Microsystems
- HP
- ANL (Chicago, I. Foster)
- ISI (LA, C.Kesselman)
- UoWisconsin (M. Livny)

collaborating with: Users! EU Astrophysics Network, DFN TiKSL/GriKSL **NSF ASC Project** other Grid projects Globus, Condor, GrADS. PROGRESS. GriPhyn/iVDGL, Most of the other European Grid Projects (GRIDSTART) GWEN InteliGrid Clusterix SGI Grid HPC-Europa Canadian Grid Infrastructure



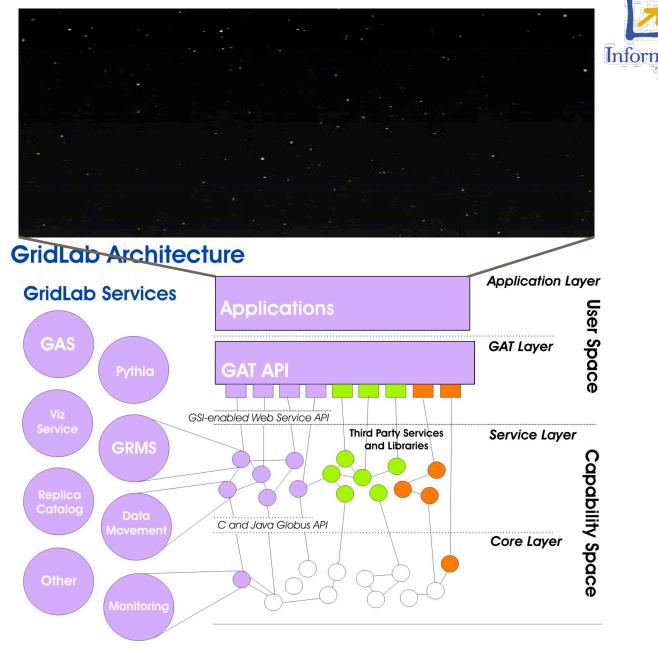
GridLab's scope



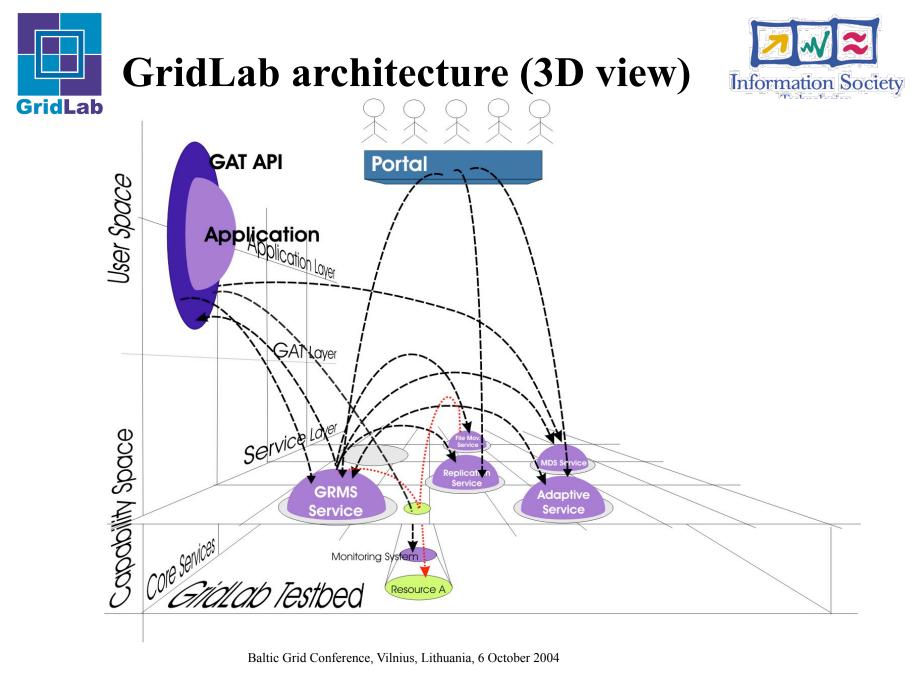
- GridLab project is one of the biggest EU research and development undertakings in the development of application tools and middleware for Grid environments,
- It produces a set of application-oriented Grid services and toolkits providing capabilities such as dynamic application scenarios, adaptive resource and data management, security on the VO and resource level, Grid portal framework and more...
- Services are accessed using the Grid Application Toolkit (GAT)
 - GAT provides applications with access to various GridLab and third-party services, resources, specific libraries, tools, etc. in a way that the end-users and especially application developers can build and run applications on the Grid without needing to know details about the runtime environment in advance.

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	٩	Enable all Apps to take full advantage of Grids	
	٩	Develop	
		toolkits for non-Grid programmers to create these Apps services to enable them	
	٩	 Unlock innovative power of Grids with new paradigms Automatic resource discovery, distribution of tasks, spawning, migration, reconfiguration, collaborationmany papers on subject 	
٩	Grid	Application Toolkit (GAT)	
	9	Abstracts services at application level: simple	
	٩	Makes apps ind. of any infrastructure, endowed with grid capabilities	
	٩	Wide adoption: we expect to change the way computing is done	
٩	Migr	ation Scenario	
	_	Innovative in its general implementation	
	٩	Building block (but complex!) for much more advanced scenarios Baltic Grid Conference, Vilnius, Lithuania, 6 October 2004	
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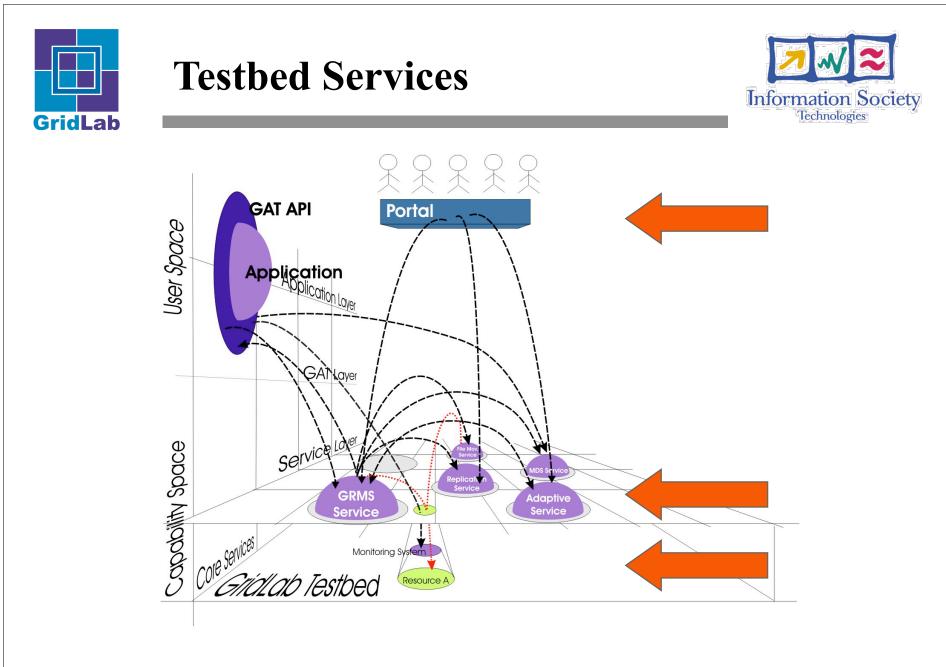
GridLab = GAT + Services



What are the GL services?



- Testbed Services (including testbed monitoring)
- Monitoring Services (Mercury)
- Adaptive Services (*Pythia* and *Delphoi*)
- Information Services (*iGrid* information service)
- Data Management and Visualization Services
- Authorisation Service (GAS)
- Resource Management Services (GRMS)
- Portal Framework (GridSphere)
- Mobile User Support







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- Grid infrastructure status test/monitoring tools
- Centralized approach (one site starts all tests) and all results are available on the web page
- Both static and dynamic web pages supported
- Web service interface (SOAP over GSI-HTTP)
 - Can be used as a specific information service (GRMS)





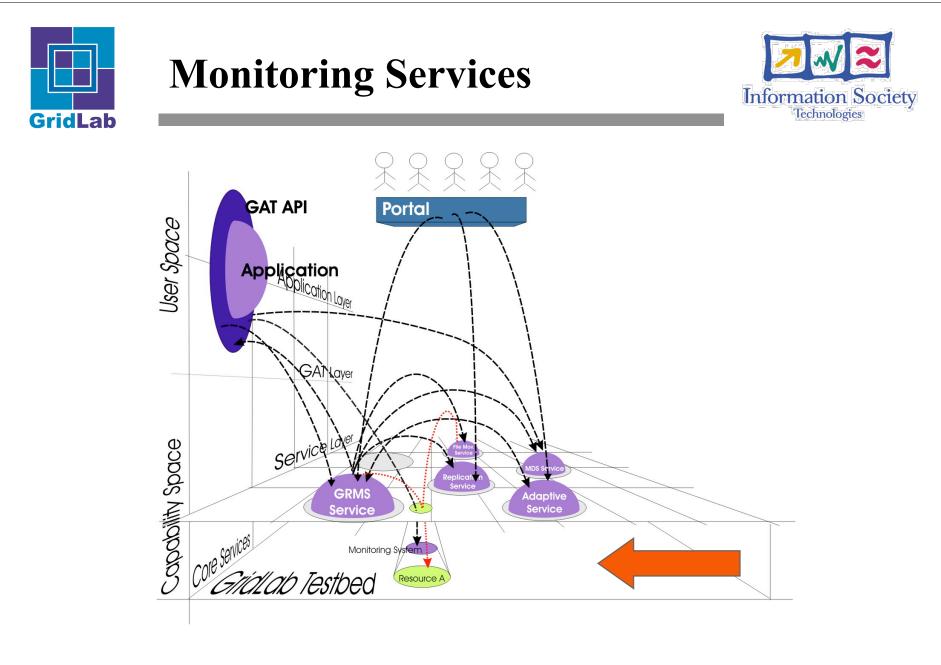
Simple tests:

- Globus 2 tests: GRIS, GridFTP, GSI-SSH (on port 2222),
- Gatekeeper (including MPI job tests), GIIS
- MPI C and MPI Fortran compilers availability
- Job manager tests
- Test normal and MPI jobs





- GridLab specific tests:
 - Accepted CAs
 - grid-mapfile integrity and completeness
 - GridLab Mercury
 - GridLab MDS Extensions and MDS web service
 - Required software installation and usability
 - Two stages: responsiveness and *functionality* of GridLab services:
 - getServiceDescription()
 - GRMS, Adaptive service, Meta-data service, Replica Catalog, DataMovement, Data Browsing, Authorization, Message Box Service, Testbed Status
 - matrix tests (Data Movement): N-to-N tests





Monitoring Services

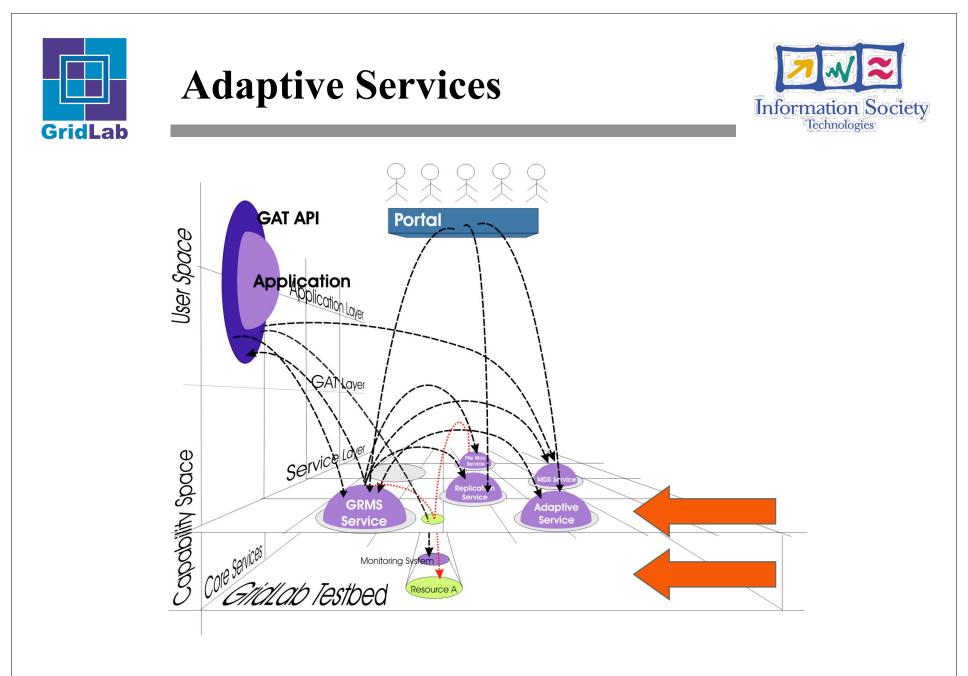


- Monitoring is the most low-level service in GridLab
 - Provides instant information about the state of hosts, services and jobs
- Goal: generic monitoring framework for the grid
 - it provides monitoring data represented as metrics via both pull and push model data access semantics and also supports steering by controls.
 - Must support host, resource and application monitoring
 - Must be easily extensible
 - Based on the Grid Monitoring Architecture (GMA) as proposed by the GGF
 - Support application steering (SIGNALS)





- Release 2.1.4 of the Mercury Monitoring System is installed on the GridLab testbed now
- Host monitoring is fully functional
 - Host are available for Linux, Irix, OSF/1, Darwin and Solaris
- Application monitoring is still under development



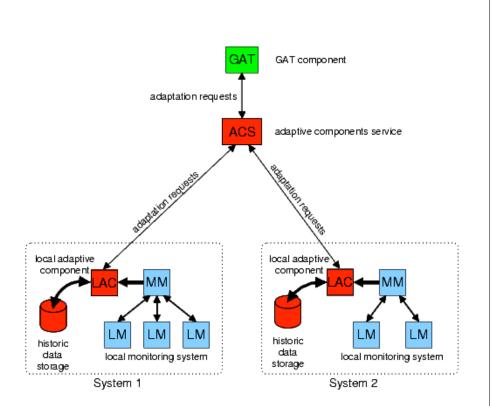
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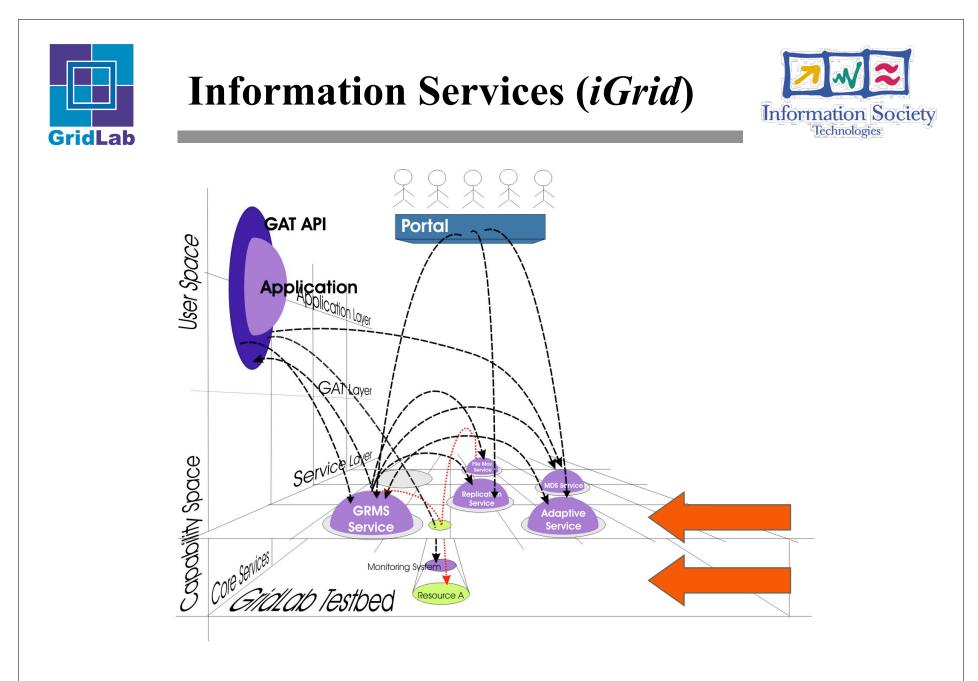


Adaptive Services



- Adaptive Components Service (ACS) and the Local Adaptive Components (LAC).
- ACS provides an interface to query the adaptive system. It currently supports calls to:
 - Useful statistics about queuing systems (PBS, SGE, Condor)
 - estimate transfer time
 - estimate usage (of some given metric)
- LAC uses the monitoring system (shown in blue), to continuously collect data about the resource and applications running on it (load information, queue lengths, network bandwidth to other machines, etc.).



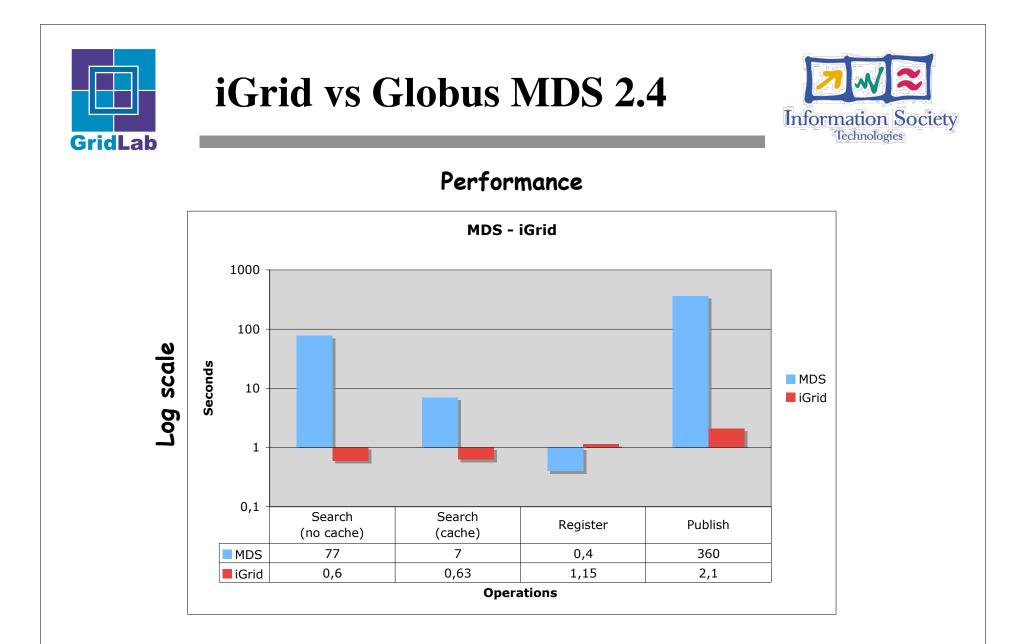


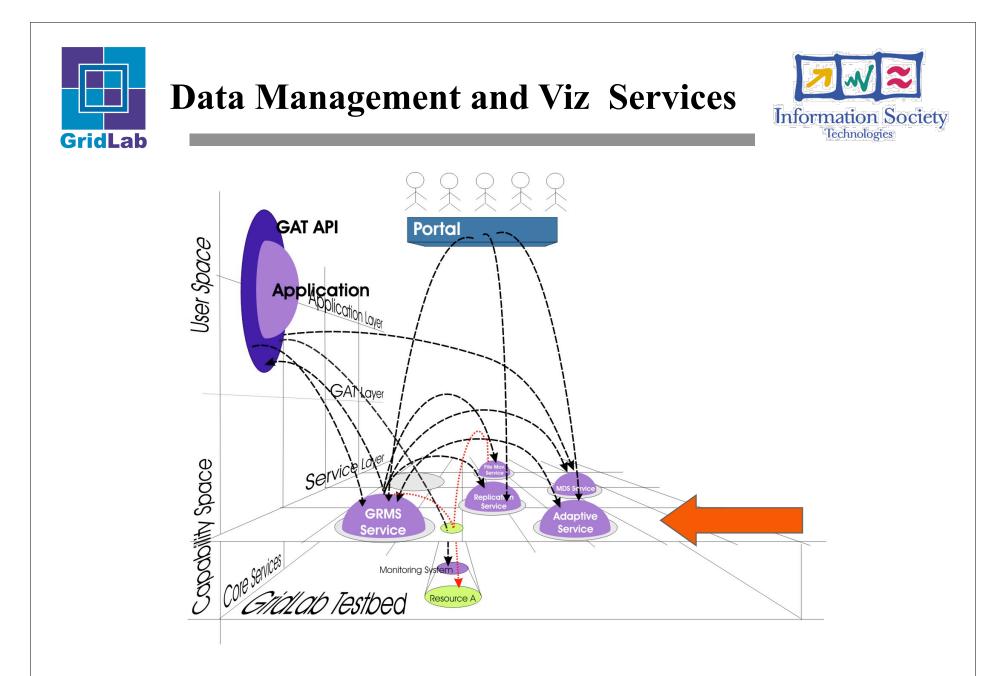


iGrid Features



- Web Service interface
- Support for Globus GSI security mechanism
 - Through our GSI Plugin for gSOAP Toolkit
- Distributed architecture
- Fault tolerant
- Based on relational DBMS
- Support for SSL binding to DBMS
- Support for heterogeneous DBMS
 - Through our GReIC library
- Easy to extend with new information providers
- Includes support for GAS authorization service (WP6)
- Includes support for logging service (WP11)
- Platforms: linux, Mac OS X, tru64, irix
- Extreme Performances







Visualization and mobile devices



Visualization

Access to grid resources

from existing viz applications

Access to existing viz

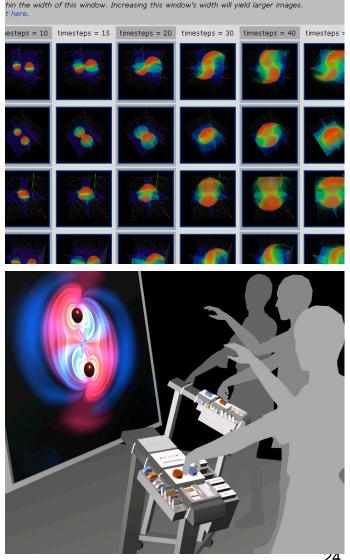
applications from the grid

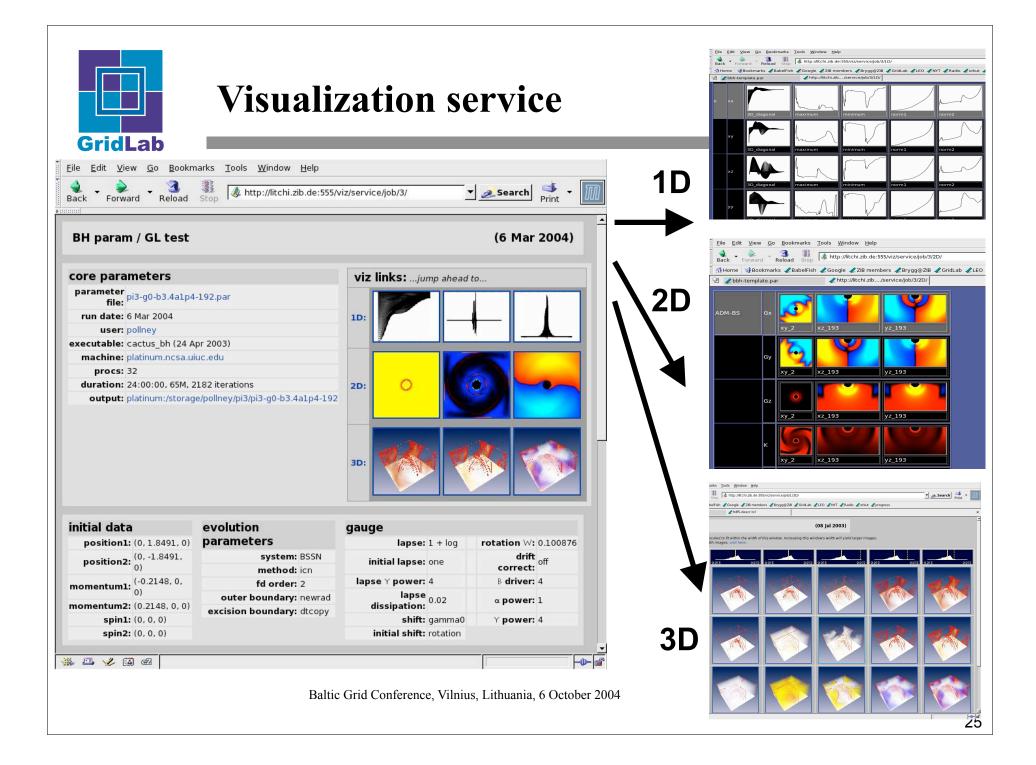
Mobile devices

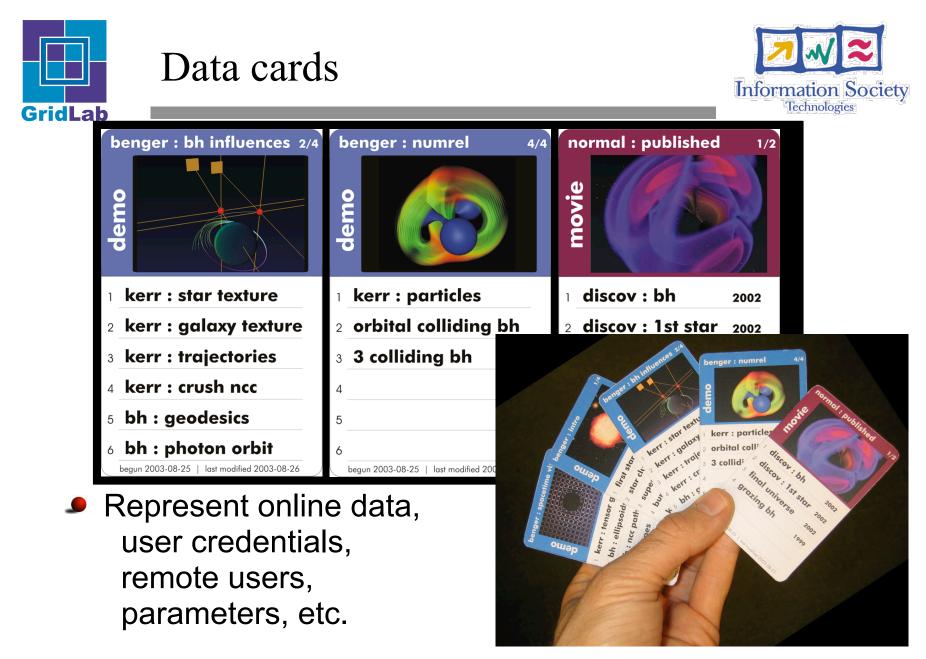
Access to viz services

from mobile phones, PDAs

Development of grid-enabled "mobile" viz devices







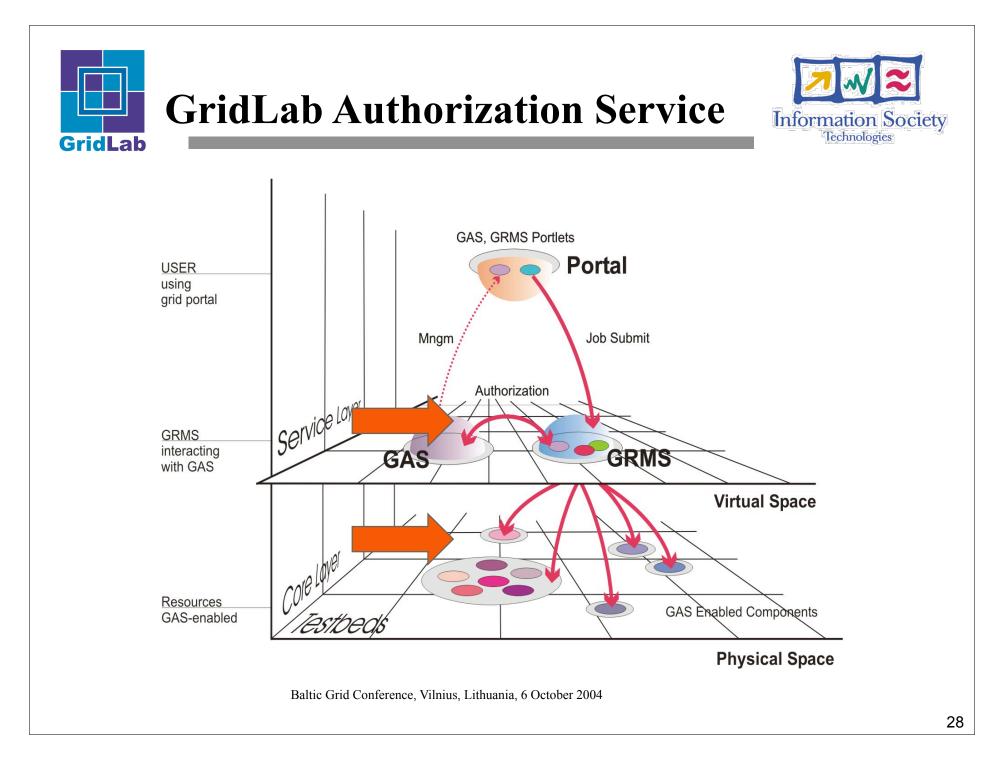


Replica Management Components



Replica catalog

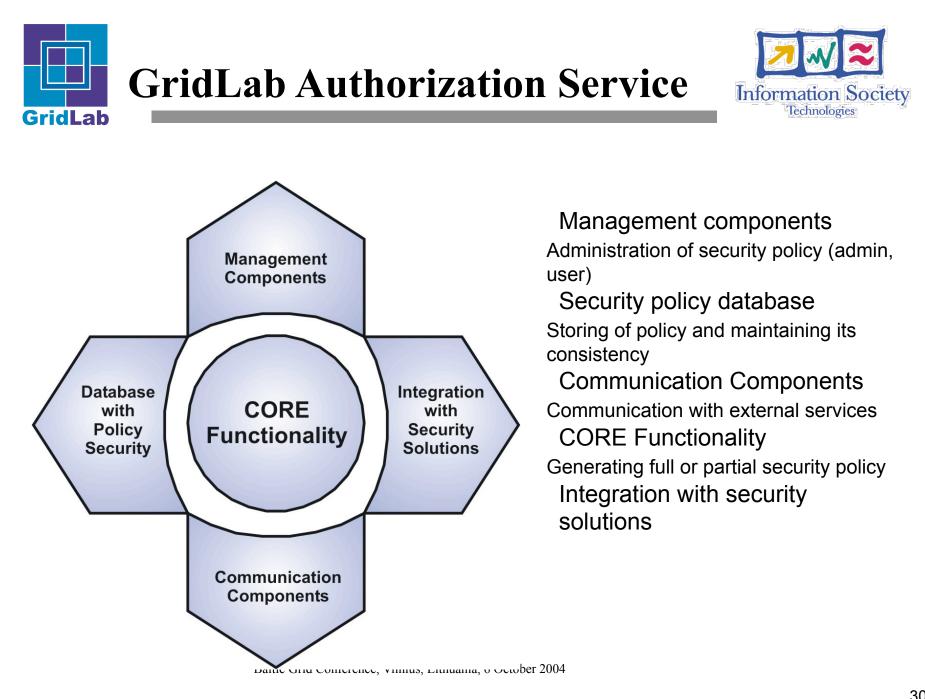
- Supports hierarchical data organization
- POSIX filesystem like interface
- Uses C++ with SOAP/GSI interface
- GAT-Adaptor
 - Uses SOAP/GSI interface
- File movement service
 - Used for replication
 - Based on GridFTP
- Adaptive service
 - Ranks replica locations
 - Optimizes GridFTP parameters

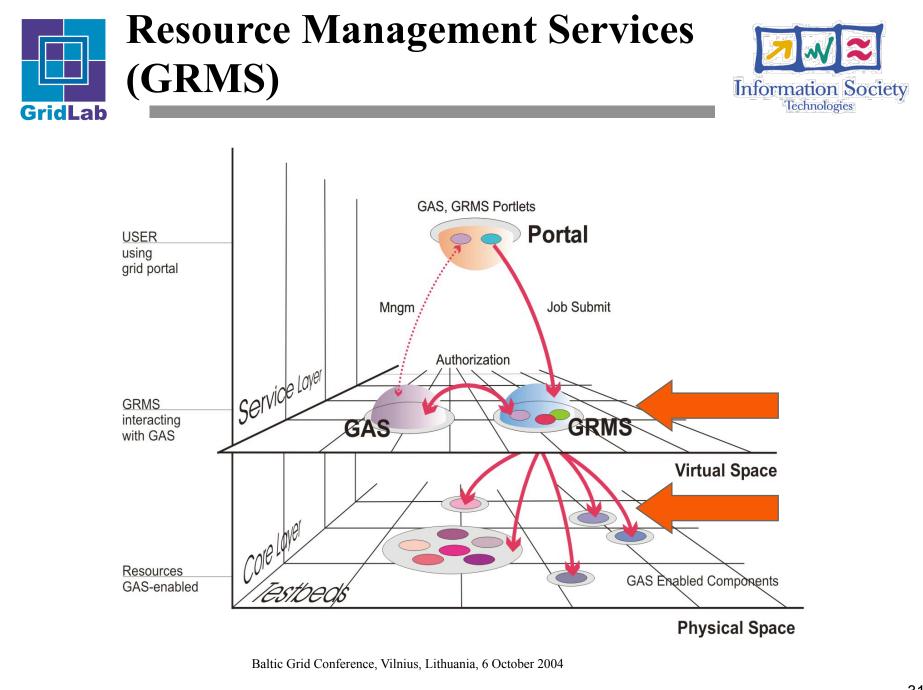


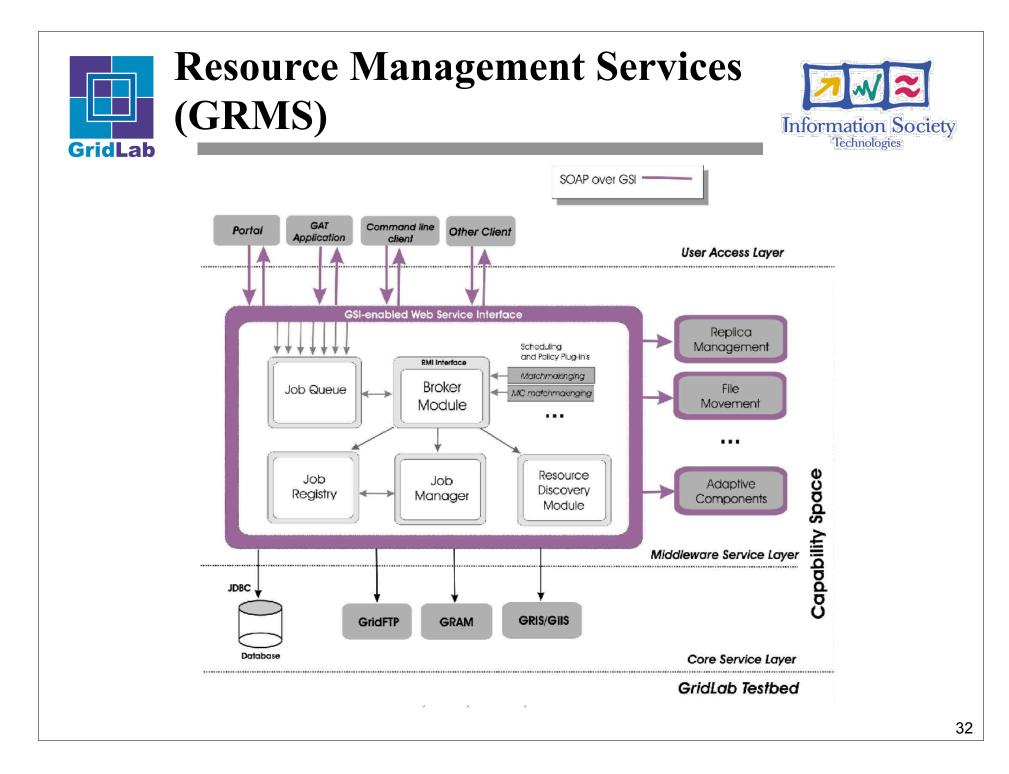




- The GAS is designed in order to fulfill various requirements of complex grid-based computing environments.
- It is considered as an trusted single logical point for managing security policy for virtual organizations.
- Support for different scenarios of using GAS, with possibility to apply them simultaneously within single virtual organization.
- It is assumed to be independent from specific technologies applied to build any grid infrastructure.
- Modular structure allows to introduce new modules for communication, database support, service management, integration with external security solutions (e.g. GSI, WS-Policy)









Resource Management Services (GRMS)



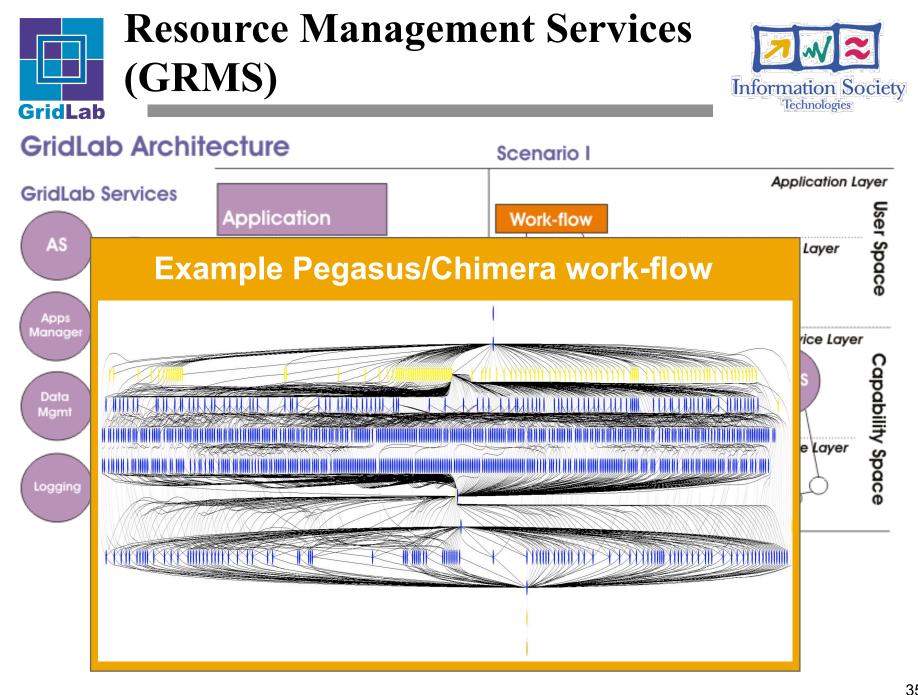
- Acts on behalf of users on resources and meet application requirements concerning resources and their environment,
- Stage-in and stage-out files required by jobs before and after executions using Core Services (GridFTP/GASS/FTP) or GridLab Middleware Services (Replica Catalog Service and Data Movement Service).
- Runs and controls precompiled batch jobs remotely,
- Runs and controls precompiled MPI batch jobs remotely,
- Runs Java applications remotely,
- Registers GAT applications and receive unique JOB IDs,
- Checkpoints GAT applications remotely,
- Migrates GAT applications remotely,
- Stores all historic information about job statuses and resources which have been used during a job submission process,
- Works with the Information Service to receive static and dynamic information about resources,
- Register GRMS in an Information Service,
- Works with Adaptive Components Service to get additional information about distributed resources and networks,



Resource Management Services (GRMS)



- List of jobs submitted by given user (information about jobs):
 - Job Description used for submission
 - Information about request progress
 - Name of host where the job is running
 - Submission time
 - Start time on resource
 - Finish time
 - History of job execution
- Due to a specific interface for registration of applications in the GRMS, more complex and more dynamic application scenarios are supported now.
- The functionality is available for all applications, in particular GAT enabled applications, which are able to register callback information in the GRMS and then wait for a checkpoint GRMS's call.





Resource Management Services (GRMS) – Various clients

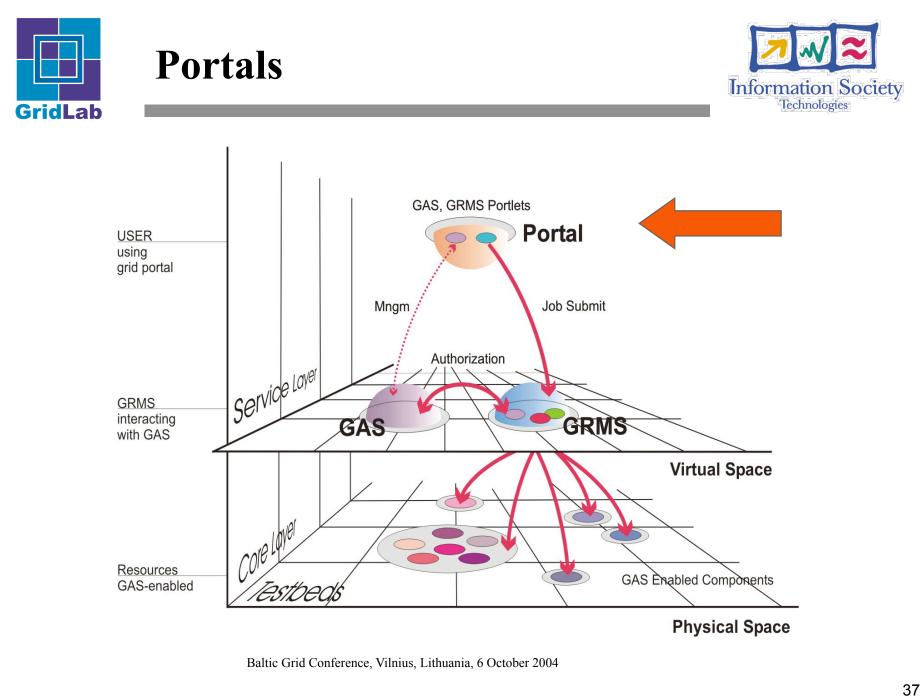


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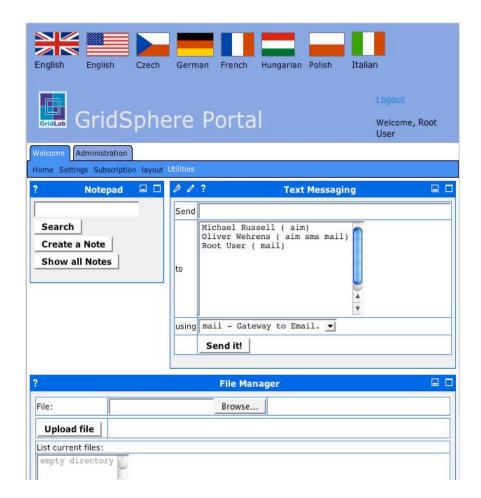


Portals



Portlets:

- Portlets define how to construct and deliver Web content as modular components within a Web page.
- Portlets can be "maximized" or "minimized" within a Web page.
- Portlets support various modes
 - View, Edit, Help, Configure
- Users can choose to which portlets they want to be "subscribed".
- Users can modify their layout including placement of portlets within a tab, tab names, etc.

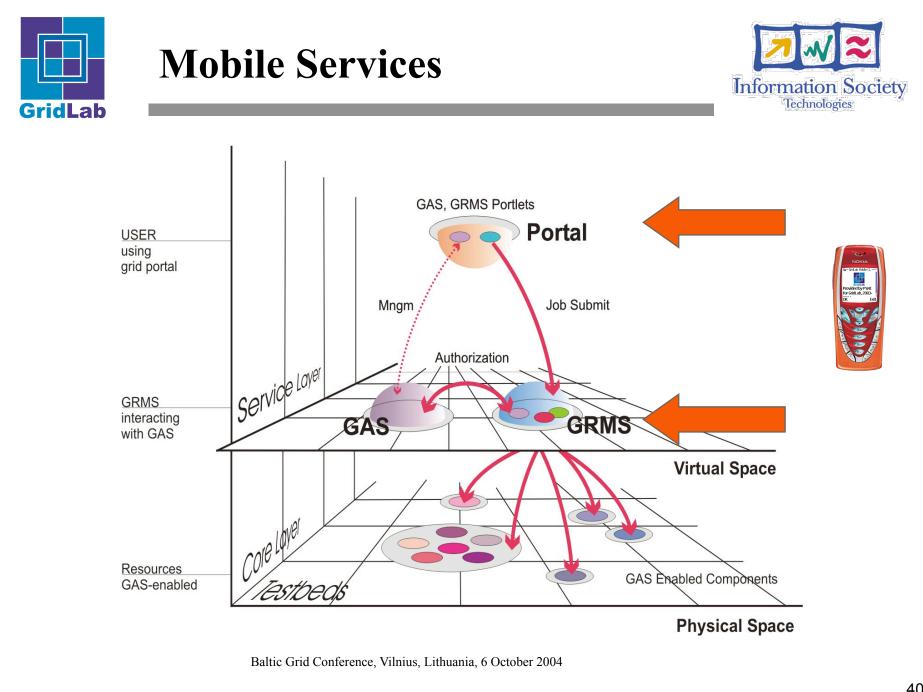




Portals



- We have developed portlet-based GridSphere Framework (*www.gridsphere.org*)
- The GridSphere portal framework provides an advanced open-source portlet based Web portal.
- The GridSphere provides a sophisticated portal offering a completely customizable portal for a wide range of end users.
- The portlet model provides both users a flexible easy to use interface and portal developers a model to create pluggable and dynamic application support.





Mobile Services



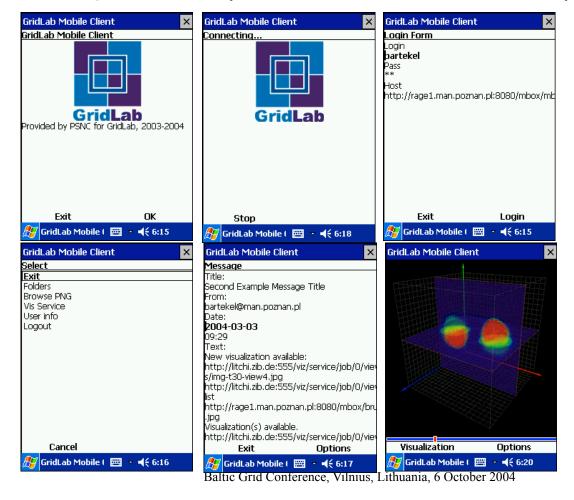
- Mobile client
 - J2ME midlet is running on mobile phones, PDAs and PC laptops
 - Features: browsing notification messages, displaying visualizations
- Gateway
 - Mobile Command Center acts as a gateway between mobile client and Grid services
 - Developed as a Gridsphere portlet
- Notification
 - Message Box is running as both a Java API and a Web/Grid service
 - Exploited by GRMS, Portal
- Mobile visualisation
 - J2ME midlet interacts via Mobile Command Center with GridLab Mobile Visualisation Service (developed by WP8)
- Running the same mobile application on different platforms
 - Mobile phone (network: GPRS)
 - PDA (network: wireless)
 - Laptop PC (network: either wireless or wired)



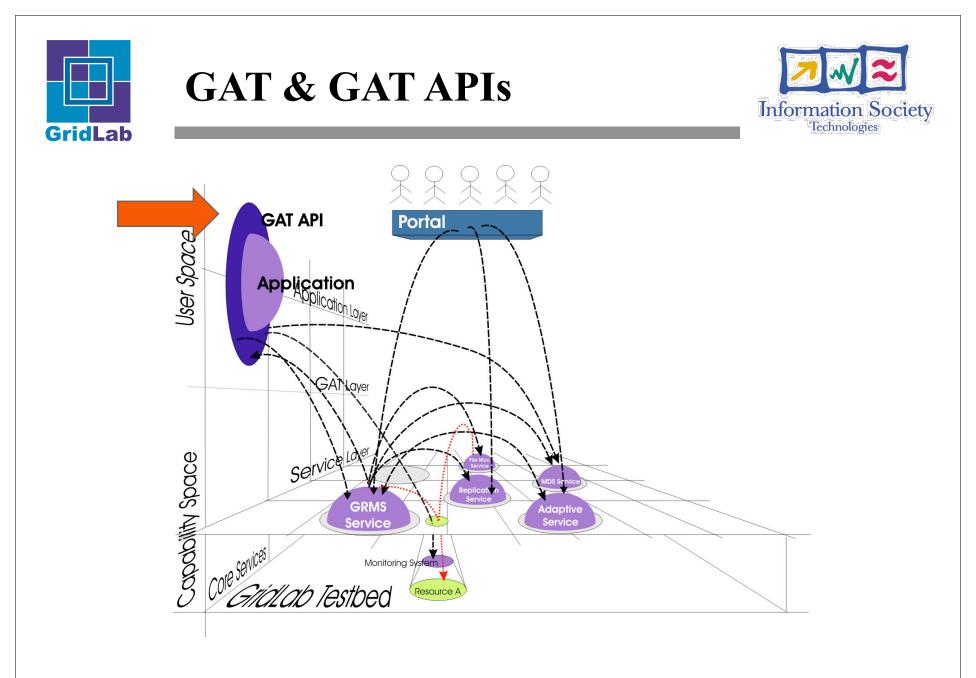
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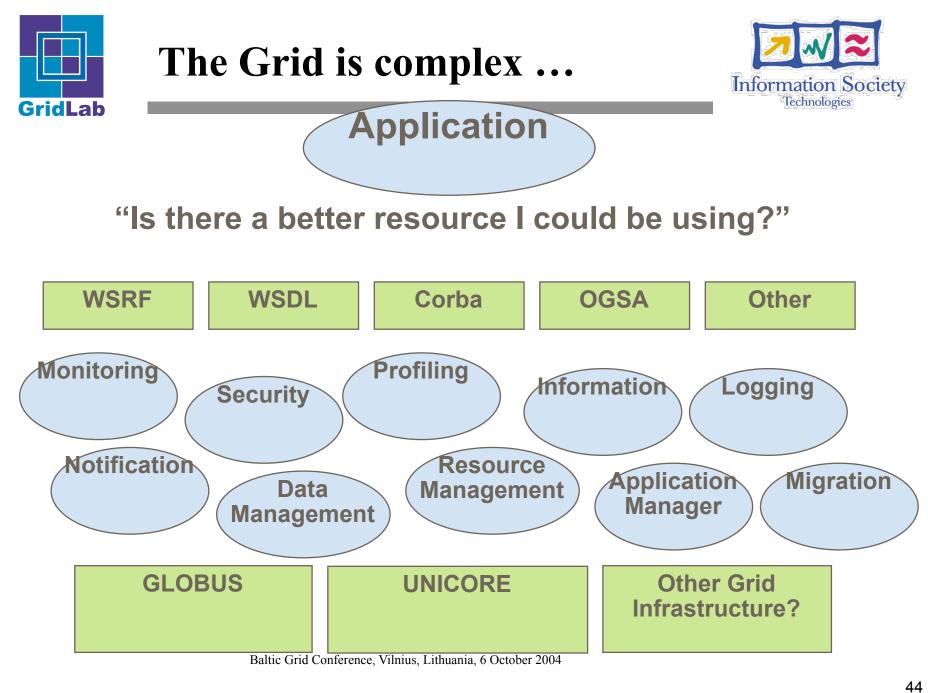


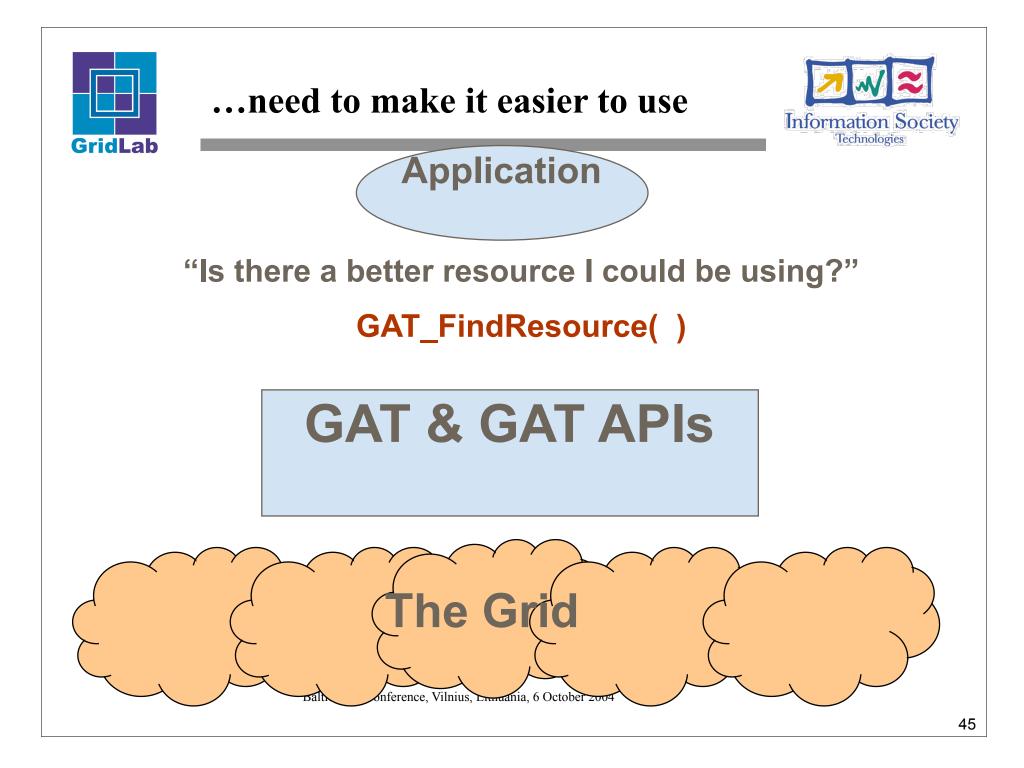
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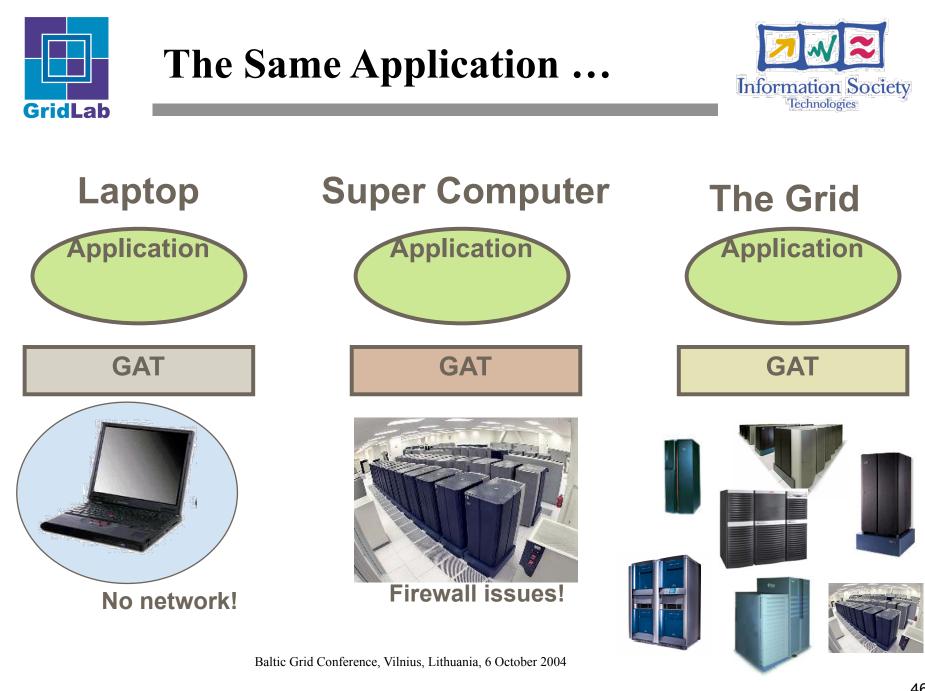














GAT Philosophy



Application makes GAT API calls for operations which may be Grid-related.

Application links againts the GAT Engine

Application runs irrespective of actual underlying infrastructure deployment

Engine loads adaptors which are valid in the environment extant when the application starts

Adaptors try to do Grid operations on request, on failure another adaptor provided function may be called.

Application can thus be compiled, linked and tested without any Grid services

Same application executable can run in a full Grid environment.



GAT Philosophy



- The GAT uses whatever underlying Grid infrastructure there is and that people have developed adaptors for,
- GAT is not about replacing already developed infrastructure, but instead to provide a simple, clear interface which can be used with many different infrastructures.
 - Different versions of Globus
 - Condor
 - Unicore
 - **_**



The GAT Architecture



GAT: Grid Application Toolkit

API and Toolkit for developing portable Grid applications independently of the underlying Grid infrastructure and available services

Implements the GAT-API

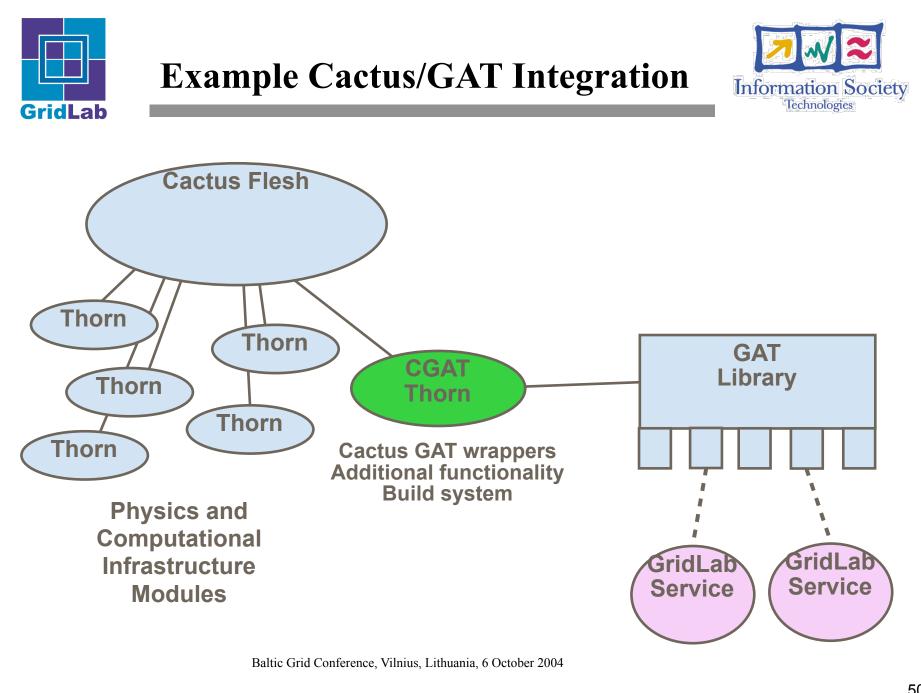
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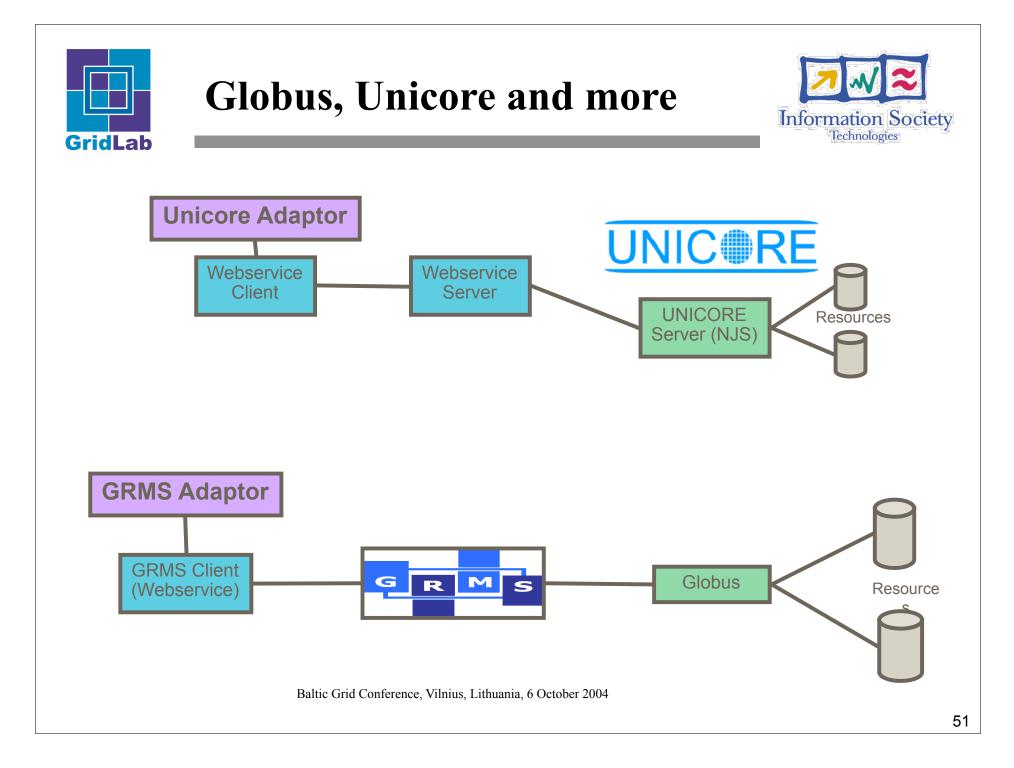
GAT Adaptors

Connect to capabilities/services

GAT Engine

Provides the function bindings for the GAT-API



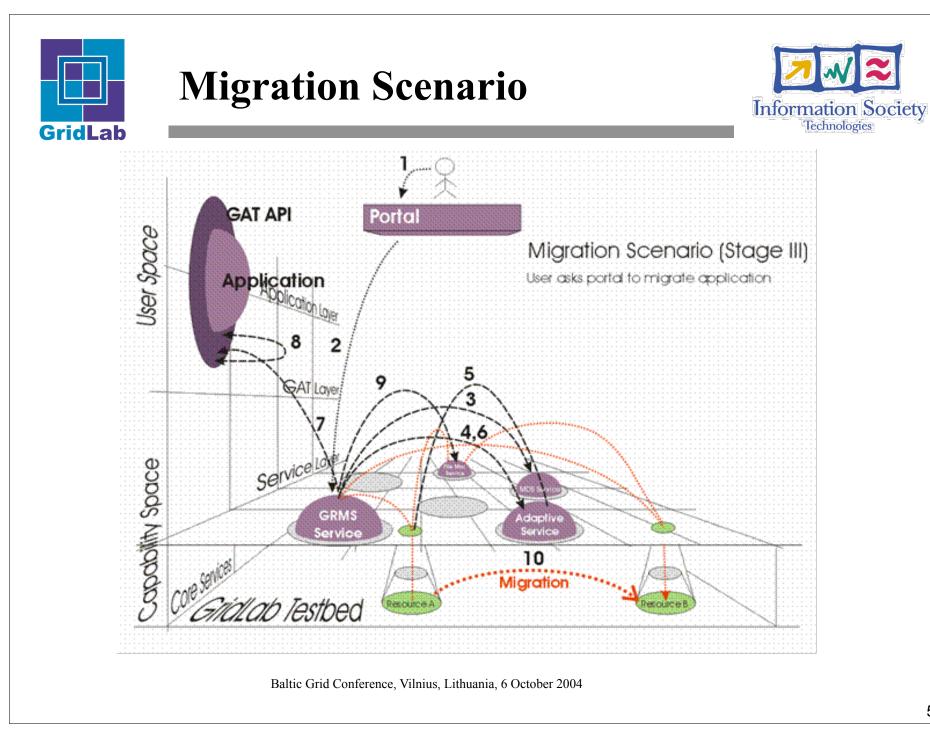


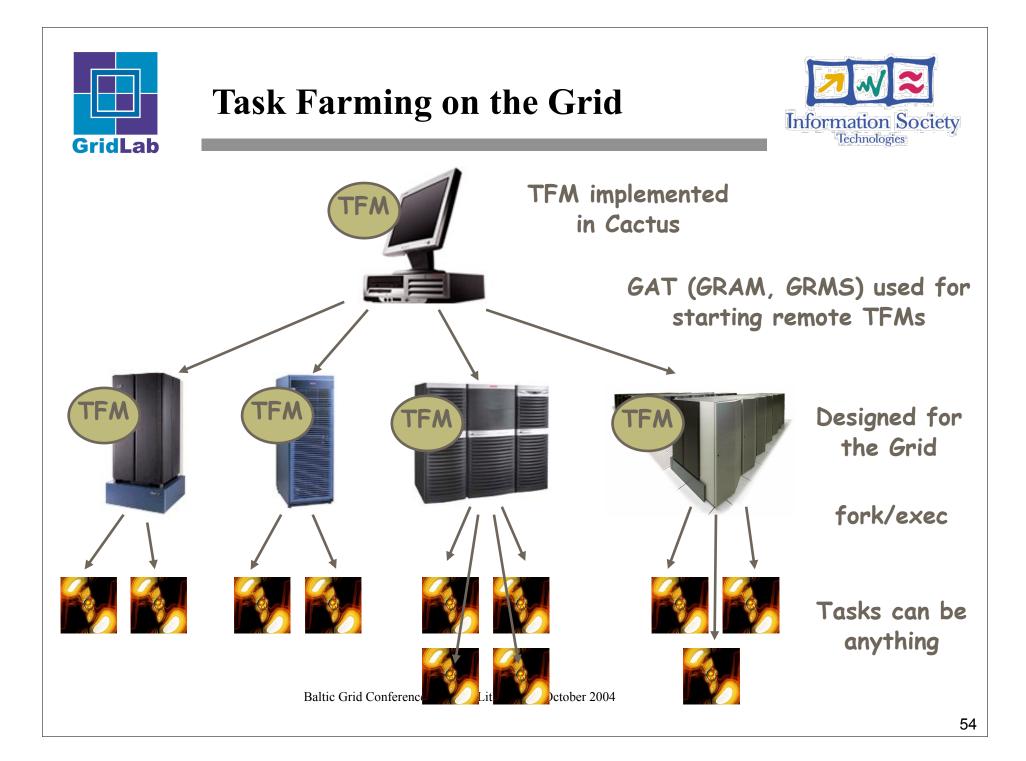


Migration Scenario



- Application migrates beacause of bad performance
- The Goal: Involve all the WPs and provide basis for more complex scenarios
 - GAT application
 - Portal
 - GRMS
 - Adaptive
 - Monitoring
 - 🧉 GIS
 - Mobile user support
 - Security
 - Data mgmt
 - Testbed





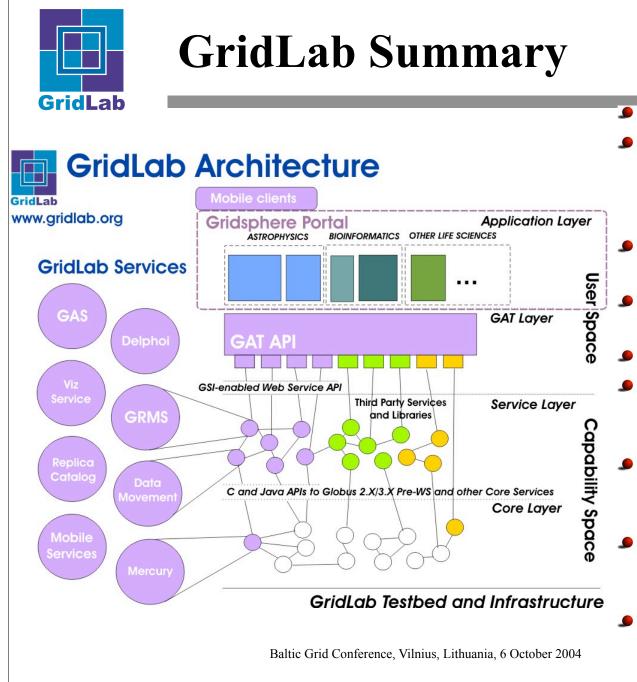


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Legacy applications (example)
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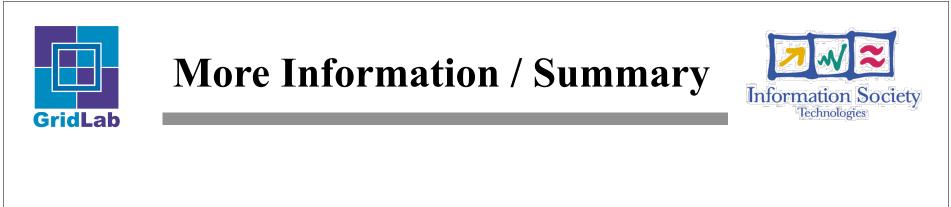
PAM-CRASH

- Wrapped around with simple script taking care of checkpoint/ migration and file stage-in and out, registration with GRMS,
- MPI version of PAM CRASH run on the Grid
- GRMS capable of taking care of the checkpoint files coming from all the processes and migrate the app if performance goes down (or triggered by any other event - e.g. machine to be down).
- Collaborate with ESI Group to Grid enable PAM-CRASH with the GAT and GridLab services
- Demo at SC2004 in Pittsburgh
- Other legacy applications to be demonstrated...





- More than just a prototype!
- Potentially infrastructure independent (adaptors available for Globus and Unicore),
- Integrated, almost complete Grid solution.
- Supports new dynamic scenarios.
- Fully open source!
- Productization by PSNC underway (with support) -GridSuite.
- Being deployed and extended in more than 20 other projects!
- Compliant with GGF standards (GRM, SAGA, GSA, ...).
- GridSphere is 100% JSR 168 compliant



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Thank you!