



Grid Monitoring and Information Services:

Globus Toolkit MDS4 & TeraGrid Inca

Jennifer M. Schopf

Argonne National Lab

UK National eScience Center (NeSC)

Overview

- Brief overview of what I mean by “Grid monitoring”
- Tool for Monitoring/Discovery:
 - Globus Toolkit MDS 4
- Tool for Monitoring/Status Tracking
 - Inca from the TeraGrid project
- Just added: GLUE schema in a nutshell



What do I mean by monitoring?

- Discovery and expression of data
- Discovery:
 - Registry service
 - Contains descriptions of data that is available
 - Sometimes also where last value of data is kept (caching)
- Expression of data
 - Access to sensors, archives, etc.
 - Producer (in consumer producer model)

What do I mean by Grid monitoring?

- Grid level monitoring concerns data that is:
 - Shared between administrative domains
 - For use by multiple people
 - Often summarized
 - (think scalability)
- Different levels of monitoring needed:
 - Application specific
 - Node level
 - Cluster/site Level
 - Grid level
- Grid monitoring may contain summaries of lower level monitoring



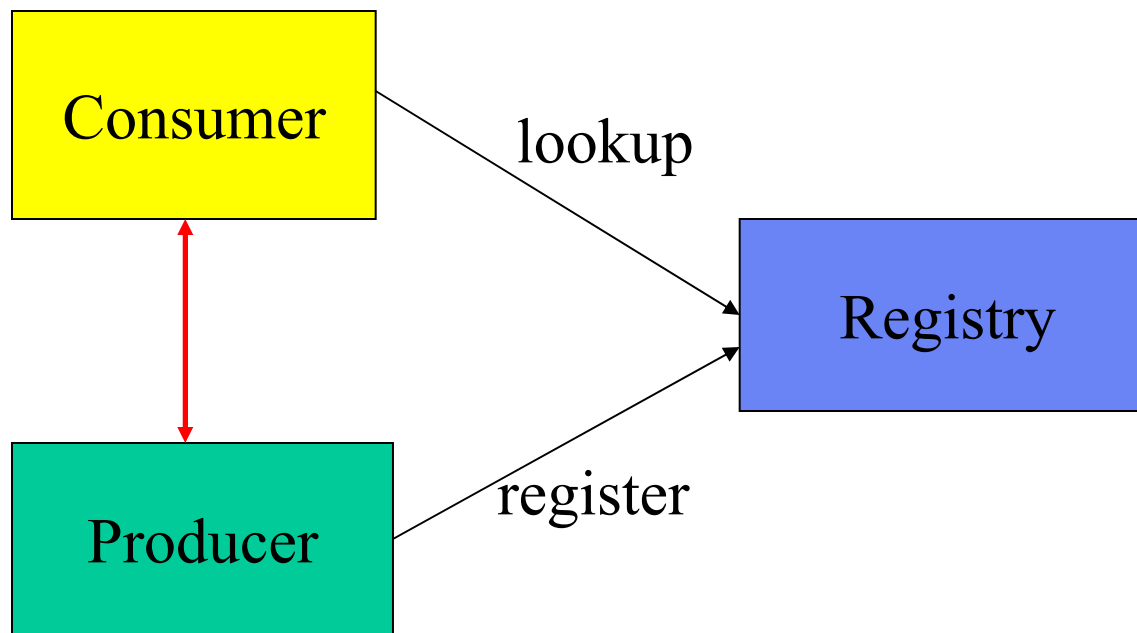
Grid Monitoring Does Not Include...

- All the data about every node of every site
- Years of utilization logs to use for planning next hardware purchase
- Low-level application progress details for a single user
- Application debugging data (except perhaps notification of a failure of a heartbeat)
- Point-to-point sharing of all data over all sites



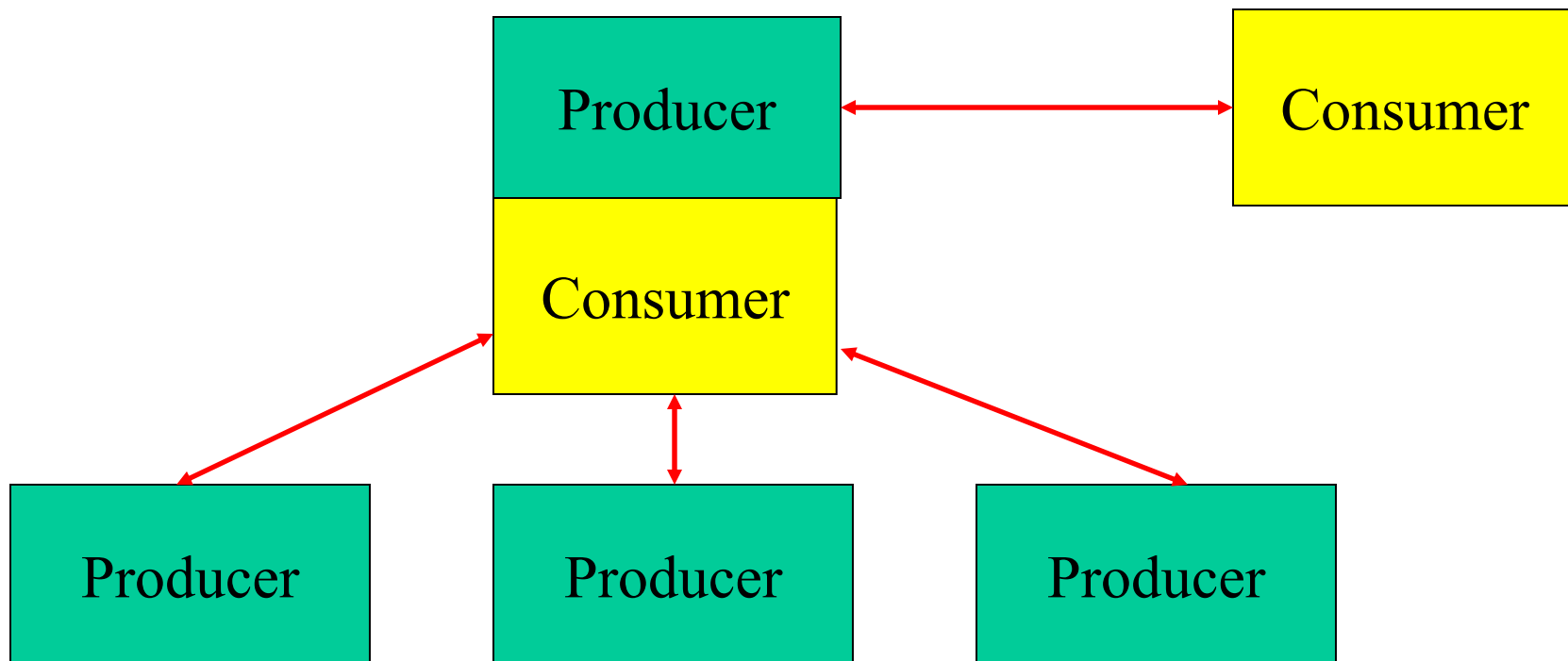
What monitoring systems look like

GMA architecture



Compound Producer-Consumers

- In order to have more than just data sources and simple sinks approaches combine these





Pieces of a Grid Monitoring System

- **Producer**
 - Any component that publishes monitoring data (also called a sensor, data source, information provider, etc)
- **Consumer**
 - Any component that requests data from a producer
- **Registry or directory service**
 - A construct (database?) containing information on what producer publishes what events, and what the event schemas are for those events
 - Some approaches cache data (last value) as well
- **Higher-Level services**
 - Aggregation, Trigger Services, Archiving
- **Client Tools**
 - APIs, Viz services, etc



PGI Monitoring Defined Usecases

- Joint PPDG, GriPhyN and iVDGL effort to define monitoring requirements
- <http://www.mcs.anl.gov/~jms/pg-monitoring>
- 19 use cases from ~9 groups
- Roughly 4 categories
 - Health of system (NW, servers, cpus, etc)
 - System upgrade evaluation
 - Resource selection
 - Application-specific progress tracking



Why So Many Monitoring Systems?

- There is no ONE tool for this job
 - Nor would you ever get agreement between sites to all deploy it if there was
- Best you can hope for is
 - An understanding of overlap
 - Standard-defined interactions when possible



Things to Think About When Comparing Systems

- What is the main use case your system addresses?
- What are the base set of sensors given with a system?
- How does that set get extended?
- What are you doing for discovery/registry?
- What schema are you using (do you interact with)?
- Is this system meant to monitor a machine, a cluster, or send data between sites, or some combination of the above?
- What kind of testing has been done in terms of scalability (several pieces to this - how often is data updated, how many users, how many data sources, how many sites, etc)



Two Systems To Consider

- Globus Toolkit Monitoring and Discovery System 4 (MDS4)
 - WSRF-compatible
 - Resource Discovery
 - Service Status
- Inca test harness and reporting framework
 - TeraGrid project
 - Service agreement monitoring – software stack, service up/down, performance



the globus alliance

www.globus.org



National
e-Science
Centre

Monitoring and Discovery Service in GT4 (MDS4)

- WS-RF compatible
- Monitoring of basic service data
- Primary use case is discovery of services
- Starting to be used for up/down statistics

MDS4 Producers: Information Providers

- Code that generates resource property information
 - Were called service data providers in GT3
- XML Based – not LDAP
- Basic cluster data
 - Interface to Ganglia
 - GLUE schema
- Some service data from GT4 services
 - Start, timeout, etc
- Soft-state registration
- Push and pull data models



the globus alliance

www.globus.org

MDS4 Registry: Aggregator



- Aggregator is both registry and cache
- Subscribes to information providers
 - Data, datatype, data provider information
- Caches last value of all data
- In memory default approach



MDS4 Trigger Service

- Compound consumer-producer service
- Subscribe to a set of resource properties
- Set of tests on incoming data streams to evaluate trigger conditions
- When a condition matches, email is sent to pre-defined address

- GT3 tech-preview version in use by ESG
- GT4 version alpha is in GT4 alpha release currently available



MDS4 Archive Service

- Compound consumer-producer service
- Subscribe to a set of resource properties
- Data put into database (Xindice)
- Other consumers can contact database archive interface

- Will be in GT4 beta release

MDS4 Clients

- Command line, Java and C APIs
- MDSWeb Viz service
 - Tech preview in current alpha (3.9.3 last week)

File Edit View Favorites Tools Help

Back Forward Stop Refresh Home Search Favorites Print

Google Search Web PageRank 1825 blocked AutoFill Options

Address C:\Documents and Settings\schofp\Desktop\simple_table_example2_php4.htm Go

Online Grid Status

Host Name	OS Name	OS Release	Node Count	CPU Count	Platform/Arch	CPU Free (15min)	Total RAM (MB)	Total Disk Space Free (MB)
butternut.ucs.indiana.edu	Linux	2.4.18-5custom	1	1	IA32/i686	098	124	4271
iuatlas02.physics.indiana.edu	Linux	2.4.9-34	1	1	IA32/i686	100	752	219865
hep-1.ucsd.edu	Linux	2.4.9-34smp	2	2	IA32/i686	200	1003	31972
atlas.iu.edu	Linux	2.4.9-31smp	2	2	IA32/i686	125	248	11889
tam05.fnal.gov	Linux	2.4.9	2	2	IA32/i686	000	878	42552
ricci.phys.uwm.edu	Linux	2.4.18-3	1	1	IA32/i686	00	486	61138
tam01.fnal.gov	Linux	2.4.9	2	2	IA32/i686	112	878	53593
giis.ivdgl.org	Linux	2.4.2-SGI_XFS_1.0smp	2	2	IA32/i686	136	499	20358
tam04.fnal.gov	Linux	2.4.9	2	2	IA32/i686	191	752	53657
dc-user.isi.edu	Linux	2.4.2-SGI_XFS_1.0smp	2	2	IA32/i686	139	499	20358
tam03.fnal.gov	Linux	2.4.9	2	2	IA32/i686	00	878	36857
tam02.fnal.gov	Linux	2.4.9	2	2	IA32/i686	000	878	69777
giis.ivdgl.org	Linux	2.4.2-SGI_XFS_1.0smp	2	2	IA32/i686	136	499	20358
mantle.isi.edu	Linux	2.4.7-10smp	2	2	IA32/i686	200	1003	55352
jupiter.isi.edu	IRIX64	6.5	8	8	mips/IP27	800		
cgt01-lnx.isi.edu	Linux	2.4.18-3smp	1	1	IA32/i686	100	359	2126
dc-user.isi.edu	Linux	2.4.2-SGI_XFS_1.0smp	2	2	IA32/i686	137	499	20357
dc-user.isi.edu	Linux	2.4.2-SGI_XFS_1.0smp	2	2	IA32/i686	132	499	20348
butternut.ucs.indiana.edu	Linux	2.4.18-5custom	1	1	IA32/i686	098	124	4271

Done Internet

Coming Up Soon...

- Extend MDS4 information providers
 - More data from GT4 services (GRAM, RFT, RLS)
 - Interface to other tests (Inca, GRASP)
 - Interface to archiver (PinGER, Ganglia, others)
- Scalability testing and development
- Additional clients
- If tracking job stats is of interest this is something we can talk about



TeraGrid Inca

- Originally developed for the TeraGrid project to verify its software stack
- Now part of the NMI GRIDS center software
- Now performs automated verification of service-level agreements
 - Software versions
 - Basic software and service tests – local and cross-site
 - Performance benchmarks
- **Best use: CERTIFICATION**
 - Is this site Project Compliant?
 - Have upgrades taken place in a timely fashion?

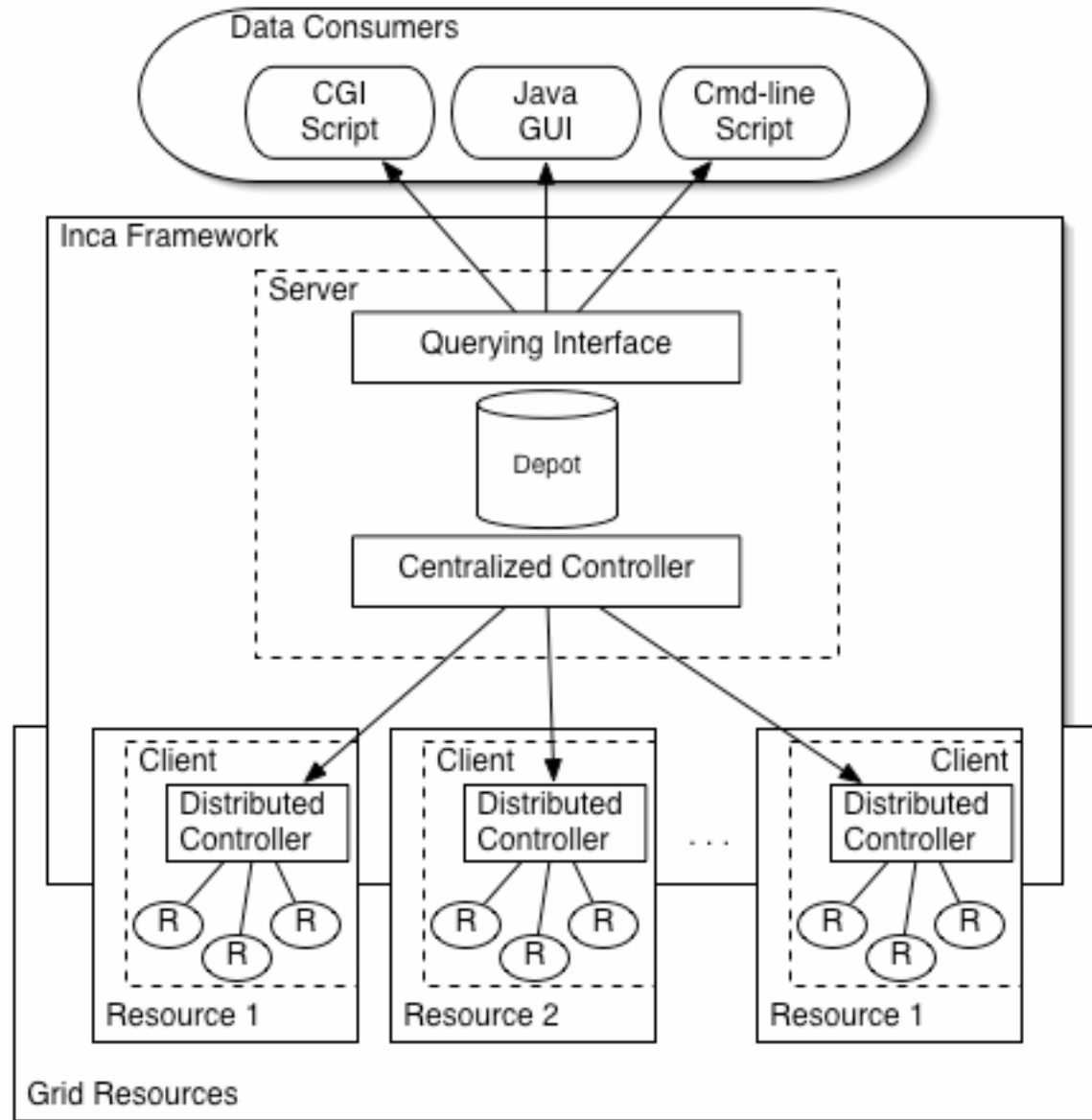


Inca Producers: Reporters

- Over 100 tests deployed on each TG resource (9 sites)
 - Load on host systems less than 0.05% overall
- Primarily specific software versions and functionality tests
 - Versions not functionality because functionality is an open question
 - Grid service capabilities cross-site
 - GT 2.4.3 GRAM jobs submission & GridFTP
 - OpenSSH
 - MyProxy
- Soon to be deployed: SRB, VMI, BONNIE benchmarks, LAPACK Benchmarks

Support Services

- Distributed controller
 - runs on each client resource
 - controls the local data collection through the reporters
- Centralized controller
 - system administrators can change data collection rates and deployment of the reporters
- Archive system (depot)
 - collects all the reporter data using a round-robin database scheme.



Interfaces

- Command line, C, and Perl APIs
- Several GUI clients
- Executive view
 - <http://tech.teragrid.org/inca/TG/html/execView.html>
- Overall Status
 - <http://tech.teragrid.org/inca/TG/html/stackStatus.html>



Example Summary View Snapshot

TERAGRID [Summary](#) * [CTSS](#) * [SoftEnv \(detail\)](#) * [Default User Environment](#)

Summary of Common TeraGrid Software and Services 2.0

Page generated by [Inca](#): 07/13/04 18:39 CDT

This page offers a summary of results for critical grid, development, and cluster tests ([view list of tests](#)). Details about a resource's test results are available by clicking on the resource name in the "Site-Resource" column of the table.

Site-Resource	Grid	Development	Cluster	Total Pass
site1-resource1	Pass: 32 Fail: 1 96% passed	Pass: 23 Fail: 0 100% passed	Pass: 1 Fail: 1 50% passed	Pass: 56 Fail: 2 96% passed
site1-resource2	Pass: 22 Fail: 7 75% passed	Pass: 23 Fail: 0 100% passed	Pass: 1 Fail: 1 50% passed	Pass: 46 Fail: 8 85% passed
site2-resource1	Pass: 1 Fail: 18 5% passed	Pass: 2 Fail: 10 16% passed	n/a	Pass: 3 Fail: 28 9% passed




Expanded View of Errors

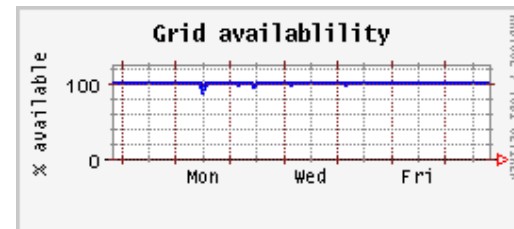
site1-resource1

Grid

- globus-2.4.3-intel-r3: [failed: duroc mpi helloworld to jobmanager-pbs test](#)

Key

-  All tests passed: 100%
-  One or more tests failed: < 100%
-  Tests not applicable to machine or have not yet been ported



History of percentage of tests passed in "Grid" category for a one week period

Internet Explorer browser window showing a test results page for TeraGrid software.

Address: http://tech.teragrid.org/inca-prod/cgi-bin//cgithtmlmap.cgi?script=stack.cgi&cgibin=/inca-prod/cgi-bin/&file=/usr/local/inca/etc/data_consumer/prod_info.xml&mapfile

Common TeraGrid Software and Services 2.0: CTSS-Compute

Page generated by [Inca](#): 11/02/04 03:06 CST

openssh [download]		[help]											[back to top]	
version	anl-ia64	anl-viz	caltech-ia64	indiana-avidd	ncsa-ia64	psc-gs1280	psc-tcs	purdue-linux	purdue-sp	sdsc-datastar	sdsc-ia64	tacc-lonestar	tacc-viz	
any	3.7.1p2	3.7.1p2	3.8.1p1	3.8.1p1	3.7.1p2	3.8.1p1	3.8.1p1	3.8.1p1	3.8.1p1	3.8p1	3.7.1p2	3.8.1p1	3.8.1p1	
unit tests	anl-ia64	anl-viz	caltech-ia64	indiana-avidd	ncsa-ia64	psc-gs1280	psc-tcs	purdue-linux	purdue-sp	sdsc-datastar	sdsc-ia64	tacc-lonestar	tacc-viz	
openssh_to_anl-ia64	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	error	error	
openssh_to_anl-viz	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	error	error	
openssh_to_caltech-ia64	error	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	
openssh_to_indiana-avidd	error	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	error	error	
openssh_to_ncsa-ia64	error	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	
openssh_to_psc-gs1280	error	passed	passed	error	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	
openssh_to_psc-tcs	error	passed	passed	error	error	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	
openssh_to_purdue-linux	error	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	
openssh_to_purdue-sp	error	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	
openssh_to_sdsc-datastar	error	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	error	passed	passed	passed	
openssh_to_sdsc-ia64	error	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	
openssh_to_tacc-lonestar	error	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	
openssh_to_tacc-viz	error	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	

The TeraGrid project is funded by the [National Science Foundation](#) and includes nine partners:

Internet



Inca Future Plans

- Paper being presented at SC04
 - Scalability results (soon to be posted here)
 - www.mcs.anl.gov/~jms/Pubs/jmspubs.html
- Extending information and sites
- Restructuring depot (archiving) for added scalability (RRDB won't meet future needs)
- Cascading reporters – trigger more info on failure
- Discussions with several groups to consider adoption/certification programs
 - NEES, GEON, UK NGS, others



GLUE Schema

- Why do we need a fixed schema?
 - Communication between projects
- Condor doesn't have one – why do we need one?
 - Condor has a defacto schema
 - OS won't match to OpSys – major problem when matchmaking between sites
- What about doing updates?
 - Schema updates should NOT be done on the fly if you want to maintain compatibility
 - On the other hand, they don't need to be since by definition they include deploying new sensors to gather data
 - Whether or not sw has to be re-started after a deployment is an implementation issue, not a schema issue

Glue Schema

- Does a schema have to define everything?
 - No – GLUE schema v1 was in use and by plan did NOT define everything
 - It had extendable pieces so we could get more hands on use
 - This is what projects have been doing since it was defined 18 months ago



Extending the GLUE Schema

- Sergio Andreozzi proposed extending the GLUE schema to take into account project-specific details
 - We now have hands on experience
 - Every project has added their own extension
 - We need to unify them
- Mailman list
 - www.hicb.org/mailman/listinfo/glue-schema
- Bugzilla-like system for tracking the proposed changes
 - infnforge.cnaf.infn.it/projects/glueinfomodel/
 - Currently only used by Sergio :)
- Mail this morning suggesting better requirement gathering and phone call/meeting to move forward

Ways Forward

- Sharing of tests between infrastructures
- Help contribute to GLUE schema
- Share use cases and scalability requirements

- Hardest thing in Grid computing isn't technical, it's socio-political and communication



For More Information

- Jennifer Schopf
 - jms@mcs.anl.gov
 - <http://www.mcs.anl.gov/~jms>
- Globus Toolkit MDS4
 - <http://www.globus.org/mds>
- Inca
 - <http://tech.teragrid.org/inca>
- Scalability comparison of MDS2, Hawkeye, R-GMA
www.mcs.anl.gov/~jms/Pubs/xuehaijeff-hpdc2003.pdf
- Monitoring Clusters, Monitoring the Grid – ClusterWorld
 - <http://www.grids-center.org/news/clusterworld/>