



SRM v2.2 working group update

- Results of the May 22-23 workshop at FNAL
<https://srm.fnal.gov/twiki/bin/view/WorkshopsAndConferences/GridStorageInterfacesWorkshop>
- SRM v2.2 definition geared to WLCG usage, but still compatible with other implementations
- Some notions backported from SRM v3, others added for WLCG
- WLCG “MoU”
<https://srm.fnal.gov/twiki/pub/WorkshopsAndConferences/GridStorageInterfacesWSAgenda/SRMLCG-MoU-day2.doc>
 - Needs some updates and polishing
- Schedule for implementation and testing
<https://srm.fnal.gov/twiki/pub/WorkshopsAndConferences/GridStorageInterfacesWSAgenda/Schedule.pdf>
- Friday phone conferences to monitor progress and discuss issues



SRM v2.2 MoU for WLCG

- Summarize agreed client usage and server behavior for the SRM v2.2 implementations used by WLCG applications
 - Servers can ignore non-WLCG use cases for the time being
- Clients
 - FTS, GFAL, lcg-utils
- Servers
 - CASTOR, dCache, DPM



Storage classes

- Stick with SRM v3 terminology for now, but with a WLCG understanding
- TRetentionPolicy {REPLICA, CUSTODIAL}
 - OUTPUT is not used
- TAccessLatency {ONLINE, NEARLINE}
 - OFFLINE is not used
- Tape1Disk0 == CUSTODIAL + NEARLINE
- Tape1Disk1 == CUSTODIAL + ONLINE
- Tape0Disk1 == REPLICA + ONLINE
- All WLCG files (SURLs) are permanent
 - Files can only be removed by the user



Information discovery

- WLCG does not need an SRM information interface for the time being
 - Client implementations provide list of required information
 - GLUE schema will be modified accordingly
- An interface to obtain (all) the relevant information can be defined later
 - Would allow the SRM clients and servers to be self-sufficient



srmReserveSpace

- Only deals with disk
 - E.g. cache in front of tape back-end
 - Tape space considered infinite
- TapeNDiskM storage classes only require static reservations by VO admins
 - Can be arranged out of band without using the SRM interface (CASTOR)
 - Agreement between VO admin and SE admin will be needed anyway
 - Networks of main clients can be indicated (dCache)
- Dynamic reservations by ordinary users not needed in the short term
 - At least CMS want this feature in the medium term
- userSpaceTokenDescription attaches meaning to opaque space token
 - “LHCbESD” etc.



- To get all metadata attributes for individual files, but only some for directories
 - Directory listings quickly become very expensive
- Directory listing use case would be to check consistency with file catalog
 - An implementation-dependent upper limit will apply for the time being
 - Use of the offset and count parameters requires further discussion
- TFileLocality {ONLINE, NEARLINE, ONLINE_AND_NEARLINE, LOST, NONE, UNAVAILABLE}



srmPrepareToPut

- To store a file in the space (i.e. storage class) indicated
 - WLCG clients will supply the space token
- WLCG files are immutable, cannot be overwritten
- TConnectionType { WAN, LAN }
 - Will be set by FTS (for 3rd party transfers)
- TAccessPattern { TransferMode, ProcessingMode }
 - ProcessingMode would apply to a file opened by GFAL (but not via lcg-utils)



srmPrepareToGet

- To prepare a file for “immediate” transfer or access
 - Recall from tape and/or copy to pool accessible by the client should now be done through srmBringOnline
- WLCG usage excludes changing space or retention attributes of the file
- TConnectionType { WAN, LAN }
 - Will be set by FTS (for 3rd party transfers)
- TAccessPattern { TransferMode, ProcessingMode }
 - ProcessingMode would apply to a file opened by GFAL (but not via lcg-utils)



srmBringOnline

- To indicate that a prepareToGet for the files is expected in the near future
 - A delay parameter can be used for further optimization
 - A prepareToGet could tie up resources, e.g. I/O movers in dCache
- Signature very similar to that of prepareToGet
 - No TURLs are returned



srmCopy

- To copy files or directories between SEs
 - Directories will not be supported for the time being
- srmPrepareToGet and srmPrepareToPut restrictions apply
- Individual copies in a multi-file request can be aborted
 - Target SURLs uniquely identify the copy requests
- removeSourceFiles flag has been deleted from the specification
 - Too dangerous...



srmChangeSpaceForFiles

- To change the storage class of the given files
 - Tape1Disk0 \leftrightarrow Tape1Disk1 (add/remove disk copy)
 - Tape0Disk1 \leftrightarrow Tape1DiskN (add/remove tape copy)
- To be decided which transitions shall be supported
- The SURL shall not be changed
 - Absolute path may change if SURL only contains relative path (as desired)
- Not required in the short term



Removal functions

- srmRm
 - Remove SURL
- srmReleaseFiles
 - Removes pins e.g. originating from prepareToGet
 - May flag disk copies (TURLs) for immediate garbage collection
- srmPurgeFromSpace
 - As previous, but not associated with a request
- srmAbortFiles
 - To abort individual copy requests
- srmRemoveFiles has been deleted from the specification



Schedule (1/3)

- WSDL and SRM v2.2 spec - June 6th
 - First version of WSDL available, not yet usable
 - Some inconsistencies to be fixed
 - Discussion about the need for some unexpected changes w.r.t. v2.1
 - Still to be examined by Timur
- srmPrepareToGet, srmPrepareToPut at the same level of functionality as it is present now - June 20
 - Not technically challenging
 - Need 3 endpoints by the end of this period
 - Need a test suite, Java, C and C++ clients are included
 - LBNL tester
 - FNAL srmcp - Apache Axis + Globus Cog Kit
 - Castor C++ client – gSoap + gsiPlugin
 - DPM C client - gSoap+ gsiPlugin



Schedule (2/3)

- Compatibility 1 week after that - June 27
 - ML to run the tests and work with the developers
- dCache srmCopy compatibility with DPM and Castor srmPrepareTo(Get/Put) - work by Fermilab - July 4
- Space Reservation prerelease implementations - Sept 1
- Space Reservation / Storage Classes - Sept 30 (optimistic)
 - Proper SRM or out-of-band way to reserve space
 - srmGetSpaceTokens
 - Modifications to srmPrepareToPut and srmCopy; srmPrepateToGet optional
 - srmRm, srmReleaseFiles (srmPurgeFromSpace not needed)
- Space Reservation may only work for special deployment configurations



Schedule (3/3)

- srmBringOnline - Oct 6
- srmLs - return of space tokens is not required for October
- WLCG clients should follow the same schedule
 - Ready to be used as testers by the end of Sept
 - Will have several SRM test suites
 - Functionality, stress tests, error handling and resilience to “malicious” clients
- Integration week at RAL - Oct 9-13
 - Firm dates to be decided as milestone (by end of June)
- It all works by Nov 1! 😊