

WeSC and e-Science

- UK e-Science CA Registration Authority
- Engineering Task Force
- National Grid Service
- Integrating the campus and the grid





Engineering Task Force

 Evaluations of Service Oriented Grid and other middleware solutions

- Evaluation of UDDI repository
- Evaluations of RAVE and Visualisation



- 4 JISC funded clusters (340px,36TB)
- HPCx and CSAR
- Partners
 - Grid Operations & Support Centre

http://www.ngs.ac.uk



National Grid Service

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sgi origin 300

4 SGI Origin 300 machines, each with 300
 – SGI Irix 6.5

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- 8 MIPS R14000 processors
- -8Gb of shared memory
 - Access to 2TB SAN
- Condor jobmanager

Why we joined the NGS

- To run a production-level system
 - Ensure a quality service for our users
 - Gain experience and tap knowledge
 - To do grid computing the right way
 - Stable infrastructure
 - Single account application process
 - Coordinated intersite support infrastructure
- To make it simpler for our users to move from cluster to grid computing
- To get a more authoritative voice for the future direction of NGS

Cardiff Condor Pools

- WeSC pool
 - SGI Irix
 - 32 processors
- Information Services pool

 Windows XP Open Access Workstations
 Currently about 800 machines

Visualisation Facility

- 2x Fakespace Immersadesk
- Fakespace
 Workwall
- 32-processor
 SGI Onyx 300
- 4x 8-processor SGI Origin 300



AccessGrid



Storage Facility

- 4TB data store
- RAID with hot-swappable spare disk
- 2x 4-processor Sun Fire V880 Ultrasparc III servers
- 1Gb/s external network connection
- Storage Resource Broker

FPGA / AURA

 10 Cybula PRESCENCE-II FPGA + DSPcards

Programmable hardware

http://www.cybula.com/

 Preconfigured to provide Aura Correlation Matrix Memory fast pattern matching

Service Oriented Grid

- Define many different services
- Expose limited functionality
 - Lower access cost
 - Higher security
 - Access to more resources
- Machine to machine communication
 - WSDL for language-independent interfaces
 - SOAP for extensible message format
 - UDDI for discovering resources

Campus Grid



Nimrod Portal

- How do we create and manage 800 jobs?
- How do we ensure the right files are available on each cluster?
- How do we divide 800 jobs among 7 clusters to complete ASAP?
 - Different processor architectures / speeds / counts
 - Competing workloads
 - Downtime



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- Visual workflow composition environment
- Varied box of generic tools (audio, text and image processing, maths functions, signal
 - processing)
- Workflow
 distribution
 and management
 engine



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