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Monitoring

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NGS Grid Monitoring

- Service Reliability
- Performance Monitoring
- Benchmarking
- Site Interoperability Certification
- Software Stack Validation
- Customisations
- Archiving
- Integration PBS, GITS, Ganglia, INCA



Collecting Information

- System Administration
 - Operating System
 - Disk
 - Network
 - Problem detection
- User Information
 - Software/Modules
 - Queues
 - Resources



What is 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 is 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
- Point-to-point sharing of all data over all sites



INCA

- Inca is a framework for the automated testing, benchmarking and monitoring of Grid resources
- Inca provides:
 - Scheduled execution of information gathering
 - scripts (reporters)
 - Data management
 - Collection
 - Archiving
 - Publishing
- http://inca.sdsc.edu/



Ganglia

- Each node broadcasts information (UDP Multicast)
- One node listens
- Good for current CPU/Memory usage



Links

- http://inca.grid-support.ac.uk/index.html
- http://ganglia.ngs.rl.ac.uk/
 - Only the front page is available to users. You will get "Page not found" or equivalent errors if you try and drill down into ganglia.