

1) NAF Operations: Status

2) dc-Tools for /pnfs replacement

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Status NAF: Issues and News



- General comment:
 - Only few problems / issues
- Lustre:
 - Still running old Kernel/Client
 - Reboot needed (see "maintenance window")
 - Improves reliability
- Grid Batch
 - DESY-ZN now also supports German subgroups and has dedicated fairshare according to NAF resources
 - One more reason to use VOMS!!!
- SGE local batch: Queue reconfiguration
 - 1h: For testing purpose: Oversubscription: Always free slot
 - 12h: One slot/core. Allows better realization of fairshare
 - 48h: #core-1 slot/machine: Allow shorter jobs to bypass long ones

Issues and News (2)



User AFS Quota:

- NAF operators cannot decide: Experiment duty
- 200 GB AFS private space for users not foreseen
 - Can Lustre or dCache be used as alternative?

Resources:

- New worker nodes (both interactive and Grid-part)
- New storage hardware to come in next week(s)
- Lustre in Zeuthen approaching completion
- Monitoring: See Life-Demo by Kai
- Login from Mac-Leopard possible (with AFS client)
 - source /afs/desy.de/group/grid/UI/VDT/setup.sh
 - Loads minimal set of needed commands

Questions from Ops to NUC



Handling of maintenance work

 Proposal: Monthly maintenance windows (e.g. first Thursday of a month). Actual planned work announced one week in advance, with detail of affected systems. Announcement to naf-announce@desy.de and NUC

Removal of alias

- <experiment>-wgsNN.naf.desy.de
- <experiment>-wgs.naf.desy.de
- Overview of available WGS: /usr/bin/wgsinfo
- Is this OK, and can we remove the aliases?



dc-Tools for /pnfs replacement



Problems with /pnfs



- /pnfs export has lead to performance issues affecting a whole SE
- Security issues: As "secure" as a NFS v.2 mount (I.e. relying on UID/GID)
 - Anyone can fake that one
 - Problem of the underlying dcap protocol
- Experiments want a fast namespace browser
- Solutions:
 - Implement something "like /pnfs", but without an NFS mount and GSI security
 - Replace dcap with gsidcap

Phase 1: the dc-Tools



- Can be found under (still in beta phase)
 - /afs/desy.de/group/it/services/dcache/bin
- Consists of a set of client tools and a client configuration
- And a server which gathers information about the status of the SE
- All a user should need is a valid proxy
- Programming done by summer student Malte Nuhn, bug reports to Yves Kemp

Phase 2: dcap → gsidcap

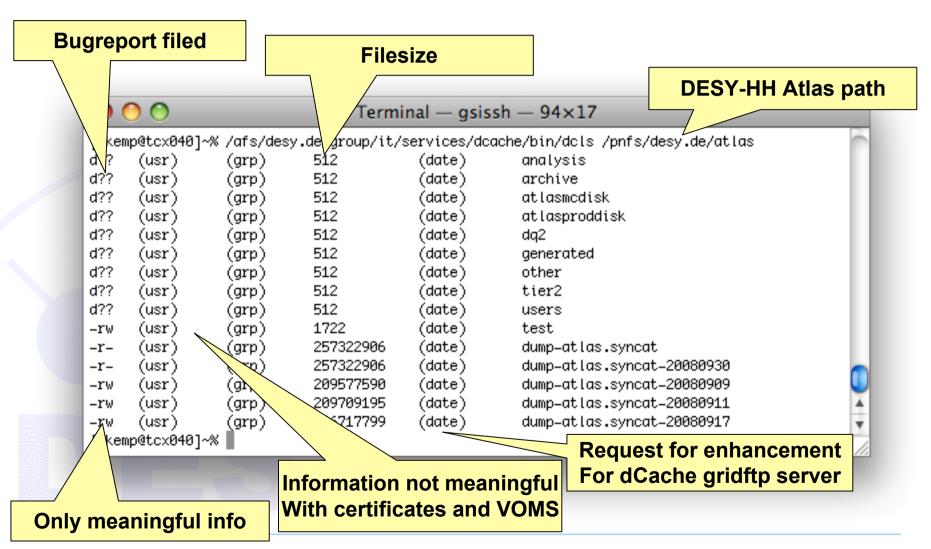


Proposal

- Use the dc-Tools (still in beta phase) until NUC
 10.12.08 → Evaluate there
- Switch off /pnfs if dc-Tools are valid replacement
- Evaluate the possibility of switching off the dcap doors
 - Test gsidcap in the mean-time
 - Status of integration in experiment frameworks

Screenshots: "Is" command





More screenshots"



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Terminal — gsissh — 65×16
[ykemp@tcx030]~% ls =1 /afs/desy.de/group/it/services/dcache/bin
total 25
-rw-r--r-- 1 16352 1000 2211 Oct 8 11:40 config.xml
-rwxr-xr-x 1 16352 1000 816 Sep 29 12:42 dcCheckProxy
-rwxr-xr-x 1 16352 1000 769 Sep 29 12:44 dcDcapLibs
-rwxr-xr-x 1 16352 1000 1457 Sep 29 12:19 dcdel
-rwxr-xr-x 1 16352 1000 1560 Sep 29 12:23 dcget
-rwxr-xr-x 1 16352 1000 1337 Sep 29 12:20 dcls
-rwxr-xr-x 1 16352 1000 1539 Sep 29 12:47 dcmkdir
-rwxr-xr-x 1 16352 1000 1693 Sep 29 12:44 dcPrepare
-rwxr-xr-x 1 16352 1000 1572 Sep 29 12:25 dcput
-rwxr-xr-x 1 16352 1000 1542 Sep 29 12:48 dcrmdir
-rwxr-xr-x 1 16352 1000 1300 Sep 29 12:19 dcurl
drwxr-xr-x 4 16352 1000 2048 Sep 28 21:43 inc
drwxr-xr-x 2 16352 1000 2048 Oct 1 15:25 postprocess
[ykemp@tcx030]~%
                                                                 \anglerminal — gsissh — 69 \times 9
                                           [ykemp@tcx030]~% /afs/desy.de/group/it/services/dcache/bin/dcls /
                                           The following regular expressions are configured:
                                               ^(/pnfs/desy.de/atlas)
                                               ^(/pnfs/desy.de/cms)
                                               ^(/pnfs/desy.de/ilc)
                                               ^(/pnfs/ifh.de/acs/grid/atlas)
                                               ^(/tb005)
                                           ERROR: No directories matching! stopping.
                                           [ykemp@tcx030]~%
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