Samba adaptor for JavaGAT

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Introduction

JavaGAT is a flexible API to access Grid services. My task was write a file adaptor for JavaGAT and a test suit for it. These file adaptor made working these JavaGAT classes for Samba: File, FileOutputStream, FileInputStream, RandomAccessFile. The purpose of this job is to know the JavaGAT API and its adaptor system. For this exercise I chose writing a Samba adaptor for it.

I got my own branch of the JavaGAT. The svn is used to access the source code of the branch. The location of my branch is this: https://gforge.cs.vu.nl/svn/javagat/branches/Balazs.

External library

I used the following java library to access the Samba services: jcifs. It is known also as JCIFS SMB client library. This is a opensource java library with LGPL license. This library is one jar file, named jcifs-1.2.13.jar. I put this file to the external directory both of the adaptors and tests directories. This file is used by Samba adaptor and some of my test programs used it also.

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new NtlmPasswordAuthentication(host, user, password);r classes, that can be found in java. Classes are related to the file adaptor: SmbFile, SmbFileInputStream, SmbFileOutputStream, SmbRandomAccessFile

File adaptor

I placed the source code in the adaptors/src/org/gridlap/gat/io/cpi/smb directory. Every java files begin with the Smb initial. This files are: SmbFileAdaptorjava, SmbFileInputStreamAdaptorjava, SmbFileOutputStreamAdaptorjava, SmbRandomAccessFileAdaptorjava. I collected these files into the org.gridlab.gat.io.cpi.smbpackage.

The files are mostly wrappers above the classes of the jcifs SMB client library. There is a few thing that I added, example if there is a given security context, with username and password, the wrappers are able to use it.

Building environment

The JavaGAT library use the ant software to build the binaries. I edited the build.xml in the adaptors directory. For the adaptors/build.xml I added this:

This code creates a jar file, named SmbAdaptorjar, and place it in the adaptor/lib directory. The classes begins with Smb are put into this archive. The manifest records are used by the JavaGAT engine. The name – value pairs identifies the type of the the classes (The types are now: FileCpi-class, RandomAccessFileCpi-class, FileOutputStreamCpi-class, FileInputStreamCpi-class).

Tests

I created some small programs to test the Samba adaptor. These files are placed in the test/myprobe directory. Files and their functions:

SmbFile.java: it can test JavaGAT File object for these operations: list, listFiles, exists, isDirectory, length, mkdir, mkdirs, delete, canRead, canWrite, createNewFile, isFile, isHidden, lastModified.

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Usage: command location [username password]
command: list, listFiles, exists, isDirectory, length, mkdir, mkdirs, delete, canRead, canWrite, createNewFile, isFile, isHidden, lastModified
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SmbRAFile.java: it is for testing RandomAccessFile object. It do some read and write from the given file.

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Usage: location [username password]
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SmbInputStreamjava, SmbOutputStreamjava: these programs do some simple read/write from the given file.

Usage: location [username password]

Measurements

The performance of the adaptor is measured against the For