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Abstract
The GLUE specification is an information model for Grid entities described in natural language enriched with a graphical representation using UML Class Diagrams. As a conceptual model, this is meant to be implementation-independent. Rendering to concrete data models such as XML Schema, LDAP and relational are provided.

Editorial To Do:

Check:

- In each table, verify that “Inherited Properties” are consistent with original
- All attributes having type, mult and description
- All data type being defined in appendix
- Consistency between main entities and derived models
- All comments answered and removed
- Check authors/contributors list and verify addresses
- Rules for properties
  - Properties name all with first letter of each component word capitol
  - Added data types with suffix _t, capitol as properties
  - Decide if to use multiple in unit of measure
    - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/International_System_of_Units
    - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/SI_prefix
  - Enumeration values all small letters

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1. Introduction

In this document, we present a conceptual information model for Grid entities described in natural language enriched with a graphical representation using UML Class Diagrams. As a conceptual model, this is meant to be implementation-independent. Mapping to concrete data models such as XML Schema, LDAP, relational and RDF are provided in the Appendix. From the semantic viewpoint, the concrete data model should represent the same concepts and relationships of the conceptual information model; nevertheless it can contain simplifications specific to the target data model in order to improve query performance or other aspects.

Commento [SA1]: To be added

This information model is based on the experience of several modeling approaches being used in current production Grid infrastructures (e.g., GLUE Schema 1.x [glue-1.x], NorduGrid schema [ng-schema], Naregi model [naregi-schema]). The proposed initial collection of entities is motivated also by the use cases document [glue-usecases].

Commento [SA2]: To be extended

2. Notational Conventions

Only include this section if applicable.

The key words ‘MUST,” “MUST NOT,” “REQUIRED,” “SHALL,” “SHALL NOT,” “SHOULD,” “SHOULD NOT,” “RECOMMENDED,” “MAY,” and “OPTIONAL” are to be interpreted as described in RFC 2119 [BRADNER1]

3. General

The Information Model and its renderings have to be consider case-sensitive.

4. Conceptual Model of the Main Entities

This section introduces the main entities of the GLUE information model. They captures the core concepts that relevant in a Grid environment. The main entities SHOULD be used to derive specialized information models. In Figure 1, the classes and the related relationships are presented.

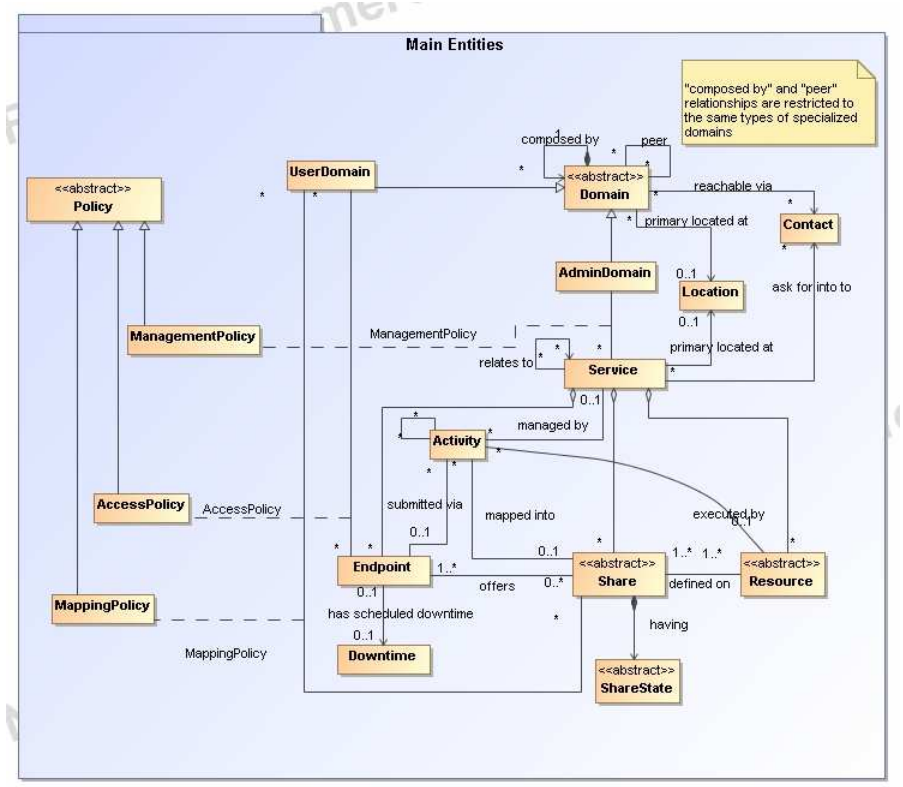

Figure 1 GLUE main entities and their relationships

4.1 Location

Entity	Inherits from			Description
Location				A geographical position
Property	**Type**	**Mult.**	**Unit**	**Description**
LocalID	String	1		An opaque local identifier
Name	String	1		A human-readable name
Address	String	0..1		Street address
Place	String	0..1		Name of town/city
Country	String	0..1		Country name
PostCode	String	0..1		Postal code
Latitude	Real32	0..1	degree	The position of a place north or south of the equator measured from -90°to +90°with positive values going north and negative values going south
Longitude	Real32	0..1	degree	The position of a place east or west of Greenwich, England measured from -180°to +180°with positive values going east and negative values going west

The location entity is meant to be used for describing reference geographical positions of domains and services. They aim is to provide a simple way to express geographical information and is not intended to be used in complex geographical information systems. The accuracy of latitude and longitude should be defined in an interoperability profile.

4.2 Contact

Entity	Inherits from			Description
Contact				Information enabling to establish a communication with a person or group of persons part of a domain
Property	**Type**	**Mult.**	**Unit**	**Description**
LocalID	String	1		An opaque local identifier
URL	URI	1		URL embedding the contact information. The syntax of URI depends on the communication channel
Type	ContactType_t	1		Type of contact
OtherInfo	String	*		Placeholder to publish info that does not fit in any other attribute. Free-form string, comma-separated tags, (name, value) pair are example of syntax

Commento [SA3]: What about if an email address is used for usersupport and security? (multiple types or decoupling ID from contact info?)

This entity can be used to represent contact information for user support, security, sysadmin. The various types of contact are identified by the Type attribute. In case of time-depend contact information, the instances of this entity should represent only the active contact information.

For telephone and fax: http://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc2806.txt
For email: http://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc2368.txt
For irc: http://www.w3.org/Addressing/draft-mirashi-url-irc-01.txt

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4.3 Domain

Entity	Inherits from			Description
Domain				A collection of actors that can be assigned with roles and privileges to entities via policies. A domain may have relationships to other domains.
Property	**Type**	**Mult.**	**Unit**	**Description**
ID [key]	URI	1		A global unique ID
Name	String	0..1		Human-readable name
Description	String	0..1		A description of the domain
WWW	URI	*		The URL identifying a web page with more information about the domain
OtherInfo	String	*		Placeholder to publish info that does not fit in any other attribute. Free-form string, comma-separated tags, (name, value) pair are example of syntax

Commento [SA4]: Add recommendation from Stephen Burke mentioned document

This is an abstract entity not meant to be instantiated. It SHOULD be used in order to derive specialized entities.

4.3.1 AdminDomain

Entity	Inherits from			Description
AdminDomain	Domain			A collection of actors that can be assigned with administrative roles and privileges to services via policies. An AdminDomain manages services that can be geographically distributed, nevertheless a primary location should be identified.
Inherited Property	**Type**	**Mult.**	**Unit**	**Description**
ID [key]	*URI*	*1*		*A global unique ID*
Name	*String*	*0..1*		*Human-readable name*
Description	*String*	*0..1*		*A description of the domain*
WWW	*URI*	*		*The URL identifying a web page with more information about the domain*
OtherInfo	*String*	*		*Placeholder to publish info that does not fit in any other attribute. Free-form string, comma-separated tags, (name, value) pair are example of syntax*
Property	**Type**	**Mult.**	**Unit**	**Description**
Distributed	Boolean	0..1		True if the services managed by the admindomain are considered geographically distributed by the administrators themselves
Owner	String	*		Owner of the managed resources

Commento [SA5]: Add recommendation from Stephen Burke mentioned document

4.3.2 UserDomain

Entity	Inherits from			Description
UserDomain	Domain			A collection of actors that can be assigned with user roles and privileges to services or shares via policies
Inherited Property	**Type**	**Mult.**	**Unit**	**Description**
ID [key]	*URI*	*1*		*A global unique ID*
Name	*String*	*0..1*		*Human-readable name*
Description	*String*	*0..1*		*A description of the domain*
WWW	*URI*	*		*The URL identifying a web page with more information about the domain*
OtherInfo	*String*	*		*Placeholder to publish info that does not fit in any other attribute. Free-form string, comma-separated tags, (name, value) pair are example of syntax*
Property	**Type**	**Mult.**	**Unit**	**Description**
Level	Int32	0..1		The number of hops to reach the root for hierarchically organized domains described by the “composed by” association (0 is for the root)
ManagerEndpoint	URI	*		The Endpoint ID managing the users part of the domain and the related attributes such as groups or roles

Commento [SA6]: Add recommendation from Stephen Burke mentioned document

In the GLUE Information Model, the Virtual Organization can be realized by using the concept of UserDomain. If the VO has an internal structure, this can be represented by using different domains related to each other. A Virtual Organization (VO) comprises a set of individuals and/or institutions having direct access to computers, software, data, and other resources for collaborative problem-solving or other purposes. Resources utilized by a VO are expected to be accessible via network endpoints and constrained by defining utilization targets called shares. The VO can exhibit the internal structure in terms of groups of individuals, each of them being a UserDomain. UserDomains can be hierarchically structured. This structure can be represented via the "composed by" association. A userDomain can be also related to other other userDomains via a "peer" relationship.

Commento [SA7]: We do no have use cases for instantiating the peer relationship; if we won't have, then we should remove it

As regards the ManagerEndpoint, a commonly used implementation is the VOMS.

Commento [SA8]: Add reference

4.4 Policy

Entity	Inherits from			Description
Policy				Statements, rules or assertions that specify the correct or expected behavior of an entity
Property	**Type**	**Mult.**	**Unit**	**Description**

This is an abstract entity not meant to be instantiated.

4.4.1 ManagementPolicy

Entity	Inherits from			Description
ManagementPolicy	Policy			Statements, rules or assertions that assign management capabilities to actors as regards a manageable entity
Property	**Type**	**Mult.**	**Unit**	**Description**

Commento [SA9]: Specify that this is added to have a consistent conceptual model; example implementation in LDAP/XML is parent-child relationship between AdminDomain and Service

The existence of relationship among an AdminDomain and a Service implies that an AdminDomain can manage a Service. Currently, there is no use cases for having attributes in this entity.

4.4.2 AccessPolicy

Entity	Inherits from			Description
AccessPolicy	Policy			Statements, rules or assertions that provide coarse-granularity information about the access by actors to an endpoint
Property	**Type**	**Mult.**	**Unit**	**Description**
Scheme	PolicyScheme_t	1		Scheme adopted to define the policy rules
Rule	String	*		A policy rule
TrustedCA	DN_t	*		Distinguished name of the trusted Certification Authority

Commento [SA10]: Add more clarification about why it is coarse-granular

Commento [SA11]: Add basic policy scheme with VO, VOMS FQAN, (ALLOW)/DENY

Commento [SA12]: Evaluate if trustedCA goes together with access control information

This entity can be used to express which UserDomains can access a certain service endpoint. The granularity of these policies should be coarse-grained and suitable for pre-selection of services. The actual decision on the service side is performed by an authorization component that can contain a finer-grained set of policy rules that in some case can contradict the published coarse-grained policy rules. Examples of actors involved in this entity are userDomains representing VOs or groups.

4.4.3 MappingPolicy

Entity	Inherits from			Description
MappingPolicy	Policy			Statements, rules or assertions that provide coarse-granularity information about the mapping of activities to a share
Property	**Type**	**Mult.**	**Unit**	**Description**
Scheme	PolicyScheme_t	1		Scheme adopted to define the policy rules
Rule	String	*		A policy rule
Default	Boolean	0..1		Default share to which the activity will be mapped if no preference are expressed by the user

Commento [SA13]: do we need this? Is it a special case of access policy or a different category?

Commento [SA14]: Add more clarification about why it is coarse-granular

Commento [SA15]: To be confirmed

This entity can be used to express which UserDomains can consume a certain share of resources.

4.5 Service

Entity	Inherits from			Description
Service				An abstracted, logical view of actual software components that participate in the creation of an entity providing one or more functionalities useful in a Grid environment. A service exposes zero or more endpoints having well-defined interfaces, zero or more shares and zero or more resources. The service is autonomous and denotes a weak aggregation among endpoints, the exposed resources, and the defined shares. The service enables to identify the whole set of entities providing the functionality with a persistent name.
Property	**Type**	**Mult.**	**Unit**	**Description**
ID [key]	URI	1		A global unique ID
Name	String	0..1		Human-readable name
Capability	ServiceCapability_t	*		The capability provided by this service according to the OGSA architecture
Type	ServiceType_t	1		The type of service according to a middleware classification
QualityLevel	QualityLevel_t	1		Maturity of the service in terms of quality of the software components
StatusPage	URI	*		Web page providing additional information like monitoring aspects
Complexity	String	0..1		Human-readable summary description of the complexity in terms of the number of endpoint types, shares and resources. The syntax should be: endpointType=X, share=Y, resource=Z.
OtherInfo	String	*		Placeholder to publish info that does not fit in any other attribute. Free-form string, comma-separated tags, (name, value) pair are example of syntax

The simplest Service is composed by one endpoint, no share and no resource (e.g. a metadata catalog service). In the context of a Service, the same resource part of it can be exposed via multiple endpoints based on defined shares. For instance, in the area of storage systems, SRMv1 and SRMv2.2 interfaces can expose the same resource via different endpoints offering different interface version; in the area of computing systems, the CREAM and GRAM endpoints can expose the same batch system. Endpoints, shares and resources can belong to only one service.

Commento [SA16]: To be verified by real-world use cases

4.6 Endpoint

Entity	Inherits from	Description
Endpoint		A network location having a well-defined interface and exposing the service functionalities

Property	Type	Mult.	Unit	
ID [key]	URI	1		A global unique ID
Name	String	0..1		Human-readable name
URL	URI	1		Network location of the endpoint to contact the related service
Capability	EndpointCapability_t	*		The capability exposed by this interface
Type	EndpointType_t	1		Type of endpoint according to the technology
QualityLevel	QualityLevel_t	1		Maturity of the service in terms of quality of the software components
SpecificationName	String	0..1		Name of the interface specification
SpecificationVersion	String	0..1		Version of the interface
Implementor	String	0..1		Main organization implementing this software component
ImplementationName	String	0..1		Name of the implementation
ImplementationVersion	String	0..1		Version of the implementation (e.g., major version.minor version.pathcversion)
HealthState	EndpointHealthState_t	1		A state representing the health of the endpoint
HealthStateInfo	String	0..1		Textual explanation of the state endpoint
ServingState	ServingState_t	1		The serving state (production, draining, queueing, closed)
WSDL	URI	*		URL of the WSDL document describing the offered interface (applies to Web Services endpoint)
SupportedProfile	URI	*		URI identifying a supported profile
Semantics	URI	*		URL of a document providing a human-readable description of the semantics of the endpoint functionalities
StartTime	DateTime_t	0..1		The timestamp for the start time of the endpoint
IssuerCA	DN_t	0..1		Distinguished name of Certification Authority issuing the certificate for the endpoint

Association End	Mult.	Description
Association to UserDomain via Access Policy		

Commento [SA17]: How to deal with non-WS endpoints such as jms queue

Commento [SA18]: To be verified if we keep both here and in service or only in one part

Commento [SA19]: Suggesti on to use URI for identifying categories; Donal will provide examples

Commento [SA20]: To be refined, evaluate extra information needed by each type of endpoint

Commento [SA21]: What is the relationship between values for this attribute and values for the service.qualityLevel?

Commento [SA22]: Verify if a single value is enough

Commento [SA23]: to be extended, should capture what is currently called AccessControlBaseRule in GLUE 1.x

For Grid services requiring a richer set of properties for the endpoint, specific models can be derived by specializing from the Endpoint entity and adding new properties or relationships. The current proposal contains the ComputingEndpoint specialization (see Section)

Commento [SA24]: add section reference

4.7 Downtime

Entity	Inherits from	Description
Downtime		A description of a scheduled downtime event

Property	Type	Mult.	Unit	
DowntimeAnnounce	DateTime_t	0..1		The timestamp for the announcement of the next scheduled downtime
DowntimeStart	DateTime_t	0..1		The starting timestamp of the next scheduled downtime
DowntimeEnd	DateTime_t	0..1		The ending timestamp of the next scheduled downtime
DowntimeInfo	String	0..1		Description of the next scheduled downtime

Commento [SA25]: evaluate if to merge this with endpoint entity

4.8 Share

Entity	Inherits from	Description
Share		A utilization target for a set of resources offered via related endpoints defined by configuration parameters and characterized by status information

Property		Type	Mult.	Unit	Description
LocalID	[key]	String	1		An opaque local identifier
Name		String	0..1		Human-readable name
Description		String	0..1		Description of this share

Commento [SA26]: shares can be related to each other for instance via hierarchy

This is an abstract entity not meant to be instantiated. It SHOULD be used in order to derive specialized entities.

4.8.1 ShareState

Entity	Inherits from	Description
ShareState		State information for a share

Property	Type	Mult.	Unit	Description

This is an abstract entity not meant to be instantiated.

4.9 Resource

Entity	Inherits from	Description
Resource		An entity useful in a Grid environment part of a logical service, reachable via one or more endpoints and having one or more shares defined on it. A resource usually represents aggregated information

Property		Type	Mult.	Unit	Description
ID	[key]	URI	1		A global unique ID
Name		String	0..1		Human-readable name

This is an abstract entity not meant to be instantiated. For Grid resources requiring a richer set of properties, specific models can be defined by specializing from the Resource entity and adding new properties or relationships. The current proposal contains the Computing Resource specialization (see Section).

Commento [SA27]: add section reference

4.10 Activity

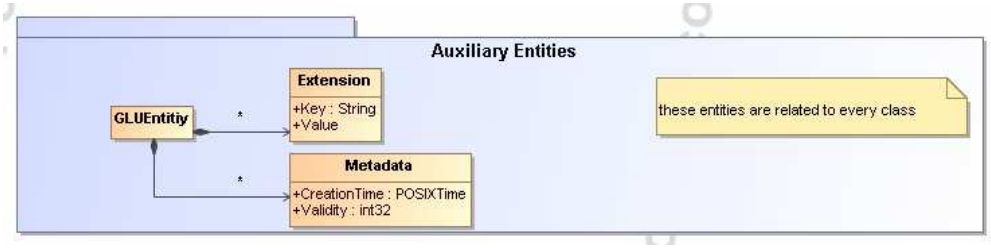
Entity	Inherits from	Description
Activity		An activity is a unit of work managed by a service and submitted via an endpoint; an activity can have relationships to other activities being managed by different services, therefore it shares a common context.

Property		Type	Mult.	Unit	Description
ID	[key]	URI	1		A global unique ID
Type		ActivityType_t	1		The type of this activity

Grid jobs (named Computing Activities in GLUE) are example of activities for a Computing Service. An interesting type of relationship for jobs derives from its propagation through several services. For instance, a broker service submits a Grid job to a selected execution service, upon completion the execution service submits a logging record to an accounting service. Each of these services will have associated an instance of a Grid job related to the lifecycle of the job within the service. All instances refer to the same conceptual job submitted by the user.

5. Auxiliar Entities

The auxiliary entities currently provides extensibility mechanisms and metadata applicable to all GLUE entities. Widely used extensions will be considered for addition in future GLUE information model revision as primary properties.



5.1 Extension

Entity	Inherits from			Description
Extension				A key,value pair providing extra information not captured in the current model
Property	**Type**	**Mult.**	**Unit**	**Description**
Key	String	1		A local ID, typically an attribute name that could be added in future info model revisions
Value	String	*		A value for the attribute

5.2 Metadata

Entity	Inherits from			Description
Metadata				
Property	**Type**	**Mult.**	**Unit**	**Description**
CreationTime	DateTime_t	1		Timestamp when the entity instance was generated
Validity	Int32	1	s	The time period for how long the generated information is considered to be relevant by the information provider

6. Conceptual Model of the Computing Service

The conceptual model of the Computing Service is based upon the main entities and uses specializations of Service, Resource, Share, Endpoint and Activity entities. Further computing related concepts such as Execution Environment and Application Environment are introduced.

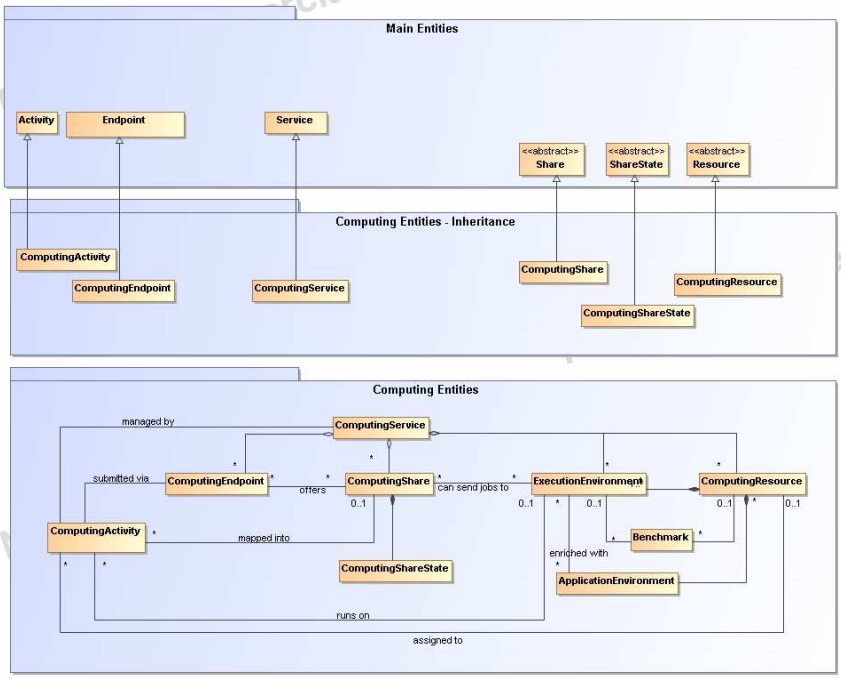


Figure 2 Entities and relationships for the Computing Service conceptual model

6.1 ComputingService

Entity	Inherits from			Description
ComputingService	Service			An abstracted, logical view of actual software components that participate in the creation of a computational capacity in a Grid environment. A computing service exposes one or more endpoints having well-defined interfaces, one or more computing shares and one or more computing resource. The service is autonomous and denotes a weak aggregation among endpoints, the exposed computing resources, and the defined computing shares. The service enables to identify the whole set of entities providing the computing functionality with a persistent name.
Inherited Property	**Type**	**Mult**	**Unit**	**Description**
ID [key]	*URI*	*1*		*A global unique ID*
Name	*String*	*0..1*		*Human-readable name*
Capability	*ServiceCapability_t*	*		*The capability provided by this service according to the OGSA architecture*
Type	*ServiceType_t*	*1*		*The type of service according to a middleware classification*
QualityLevel	*QualityLevel_t*	*1*		*Maturity of the service in terms of quality of the software components*
StatusPage	*URI*	*		*Web page providing additional information like monitoring aspects*
Complexity	*String*	*0..1*		*Human-readable summary description of the complexity in terms of the number of endpoint types, shares and resources. The syntax should be: endpointType=X, share=Y, resource=Z.*
OtherInfo	*String*	*		*Placeholder to publish info that does not fit in any other attribute. Free-form string, comma-separated tags, (name, value) pair are example of syntax*
Property	**Type**	**Mult**	**Unit**	**Description**
TotalJobs	int32	0..1	job	Number of total jobs
RunningJobs	int32	0..1	job	Number of running jobs
WaitingJobs	int32	0..1	job	Number of jobs waiting in the underlying LRMS's
StagingJobs	int32	0..1	job	Number of jobs that are staging files in/out
SuspendedJobs	Int32	0..1	job	Number of jobs which started their execution, but are suspended (e.g., for preemption)
PreLRMSWaitingJobs	int32	0..1	job	Number of jobs that are in the Grid layer waiting to be passed to the underlying LRMS

The simplest computing service is formed by a computing endpoint exposing an interface for job submission and control, a computing share and a computing resource. In case of a single computing resource exposed by multiple computing endpoints, such computing endpoints have to be considered part of the computing service. In case of a computing endpoint exposing many computing resources, then these computing resources are part of the computing service.

The computing service always aggregate computing endpoints, shares and resources forming a connected set. In other words, Endpoint A exposing resource A via share A and Endpoint B exposing Resource B via share B form two different computing services. On the other side, Endpoint A exposing Resource A via a share and Endpoint B exposing Resource A and B via another share form a computing service.

Properties from previous schemas: nordugrid-cluster-localse (similar to Glue.CESEBind.SEUniqueID)

Commento [SA28]: To be investigated when we have more mature version of Storage Entities schema

6.2 ComputingEndpoint

Entity	Inherits from	Description
ComputingEndpoint	Endpoint	Endpoint for creating, monitoring, and controlling computational activities called jobs

Inherited Property	Type	Mult	Unit	Description
ID [key]	*URI*	*1*		*A global unique ID*
Name	*String*	*0..1*		*Human-readable name*
URL	*URI*	*1*		*Network location of the endpoint to contact the related service*
Capability	*EndpointCapability_t*	*		*The capability exposed by this interface*
Type	*EndpointType_t*	*1*		*The type of endpoint according to a middleware classification*
QualityLevel	*QualityLevel_t*	*1*		*Maturity of the service in terms of quality of the software components*
SpecificationName	*String*	*0..1*		*Name of the interface specification*
SpecificationVersion	*String*	*0..1*		*Version of the interface*
Implementor	*String*	*0..1*		*Main organization implementing this software component*
ImplementationName	*String*	*0..1*		*Name of the implementation*
ImplementationVersion	*String*	*0..1*		*Version of the implementation (e.g., major version.minor version.pathcversion)*
HealthState	*EndpointHealthState_t*	*1*		*A state representing the health of the endpoint*
HealthStateInfo	*String*	*0..1*		*Textual explanation of the state endpoint*
ServingState	*ServingState_t*	*1*		*The serving state*
WSDL	*URI*	*		*URL of the WSDL document describing the offered interface (applies to Web Services endpoint)*
SupportedProfile	*URI*	*		*URI identifying a supported profile*
Semantics	*URI*	*		*URL of a document providing a human-readable description of the semantics of the endpoint functionalities*
StartTime	*DateTime_t*	*0..1*		*The timestamp for the start time of the endpoint*
IssuerCA	*DN_t*	*0..1*		*Distinguished name of Certification Authority issuing the certificate for the endpoint*

Property	Type	Mult.	Unit	Description
Staging	Staging_t	0..1		Supported staging functionalities

Commento [SA29]: To be verified if we keep both here and in service or only in one part

Commento [SA30]: Suggesti on to use URI for identifying categories; Donal will provide examples

Commento [SA31]: What is the relationship between values for this attribute and values for the service.qualityLevel?

Commento [SA32]: Verify if a single value is enough

6.3 ComputingShare

Entity	Inherits from	Description
ComputingShare		A utilization target for a set of computing resources defined by a set of configuration parameters and characterized by status information

Inherited Property	Type	Mult	Unit	Description
LocalID [key]	*String*	*1*		*An opaque local identifier*
Name	*String*	*0..1*		*Human-readable name*
Description	*String*	*0..1*		*Description of this share*

Property	Type	Mult.	Unit	Description
MappingQueue	string	0..1		Name of a queue available in the underlying LRMS where jobs of this share are submitted (different shares can be mapped to the same queue; it is not foreseen that a single share can be mapped to many queues)
MaxWallTime	Int64	0..1	s	The maximum obtainable wall clock time that can be granted to the job upon user request
MinWallTime	Int64	0..1		The minimum Wall clock time for a job
DefaultWallTime	Int64	0..1	s	The default wall clock time allowed to each job by the LRMS if no limit is requested in the job submission description. Once this time has expired the job will most likely be killed or removed from the queue
MaxCPUTime	Int64	0..1	s	The maximum obtainable CPU time that can be granted to the job upon user request on a single

				CPU
MaxCPUsTime				The maximum obtainable CPU time that can be granted to the job upon user request across all assigned CPUs
MinCPUTime	Int64	0..1		The minimum CPU time for a job
DefaultCPUTime	Int64	0..1	s	The default CPU time allowed to each job by the LRMS if no limit is requested in the job submission description
MaxTotalJobs	Int64	0..1		The maximum allowed number of jobs in this share
MaxRunningJobs	Int64	0..1		The maximum allowed number of jobs in running state in this share
MaxWaitingJobs	Int64	0..1		The maximum allowed number of jobs in waiting state in this share
MaxPreLRMSWaitingJobs		0..1		The maximum allowed number of jobs that are in the Grid layer waiting to be passed to the underlying LRMS for this share
MaxUserRunningJobs	Int64	0..1		The maximum allowed number of jobs in running state per Grid user in this share
MaxSlotsPerJob	Int64	0..1		The maximum number of slots which could be allocated to a single job (defined to be 1 for a computing service accepting only standard jobs)
MaxStageInStreams	Int64	0..1		The maximum number of streams to stage in files
MaxStageOutStreams	Int64	0..1		The maximum number of streams to stage out files
SchedulingPolicy	SchedulingPolicy_t	0..1		Implied scheduling policy of the share
MaxMemory	Int64	0..1	Byte	The maximum RAM that a job can use
MaxDiskSpace	Int64	0..1	Byte	The maximum disk space that a job can use excluding shared area such as cache
DefaultStorageService	URI	0..1		ID of the default Storage Service to be used to store files from jobs in case where no destination Storage Service is explicitly stated
Preemption	Boolean	0..1		If true, the computing resource enables preemption of jobs; a preempted job is supposed to be automatically resumed

Commento [SA33]: improve naming

Commento [SA34]: check single CPU vs. many CPUs

In a computing resource describing a batch system, a typical implementation of a computing share is via a batch queue with the associated policies and status information. The same computing share can be implemented using different batch system configuration strategies. In complex batch systems, it is possible to define different set of policies for the same batch queue, this will imply a share for each set of policies. A computing share can be implemented by virtual machine management systems. The model supports heterogeneity by being able to represent different execution environments associated to the same computing share.

Commento [SA35]: to be extended

6.3.1 ComputingShareState

Entity	Inherits from			Description
ComputingShareState	ShareState			Set of attributes describing the dynamic state of a computing share
Inherited Property	**Type**	**Mult**	**Unit**	**Description**

Property	Type	Mult.	Unit	Description
ServingState	ServingState_t	1		The share state (production, draining, queueing, closed)
TotalJobs	Int32	0..1	job	Number of total jobs
RunningJobs	Int32	0..1	job	Number of running jobs submitted via any type of interface (local and Grid)
LocalRunningJobs	Int32	0..1	job	Number of running jobs submitted via a local interface
WaitingJobs	Int32	0..1	job	Number of jobs waiting in the underlying LRMS's submitted via any type of interface (local and Grid)
LocalWaitingJobs	Int32	0..1	job	Number of jobs waiting in the underlying LRMS's submitted via a local interface
StagingJobs	Int32	0..1	job	Number of jobs that are staging files in/out
SuspendedJobs	Int32	0..1	job	Number of jobs which started their execution, but are suspended (e.g., for preemption)

PreLRMSWaitingJobs	Int32	0..1	job	Number of jobs that are in the Grid layer waiting to be passed to the underlying LRMS
EstimatedAverageWaitingTime	Int64	0..1	S	Estimated time to last for a new job from the acceptance to the start of its execution
EstimatedWorstWaitingTime	Int64	0..1	S	The estimated worst waiting time assuming that all jobs run for the maximum wall time
FreeJobSlots	Int64	0..1		Number of single-processor jobs which could be started if no other jobs are submitted and no jobs finish in the interim

Commento [SA36]: investigate if we need a more complex structure, see NorduGrid approach

6.4 ComputingResource

Entity	Inherits from			Description
ComputingResource	Resource			Grouping concept for a set of different types of execution environments offered through computing endpoint(s). The computing resource usually represents aggregated information. The aggregation is defined by the common local management scope.
Inherited Property	**Type**	**Mult**	**Unit**	**Description**
ID [key]	*URI*	*1*		*A global unique ID*
Name	*string*	*0..1*		*Human-readable name*
Property	**Type**	**Mult.**	**Unit**	**Description**
LRMSType	LRMSType_t	1		Type of the underlying local resource management system
LRMSVersion	String	0..1		Version of the underlying local resource management system
LRMSOtherInfo	String	0..1		Additional information about the LRMS
TotalJobSlots	Int32	0..1		Number of managed job slots
SlotsUsedByLocalJobs	Int32	0..1		Number of slots used by jobs submitted via local interface
SlotsUsedByGridJobs	Int32	0..1		Number of slots used by jobs submitted via a Grid interface
TotalPhysicalCPUs	Int32	0..1		Number of managed physical CPUs accessible via any of the available endpoints (there is one physical CPU per socket)
TotalLogicalCPUs	Int32	0..1		Number of managed logical CPUs accessible via any of the available endpoints (a logical CPU corresponds to a CPU visible to the operating system)
TmpDir	String	0..1		
ScratchDir	String	0..1		
DataDir	String	0..1		
Homogeneity	Boolean	0..1		True if the computing resource manages only one type of execution environment
NetworkInfo	NetworkInfo_t	0..1		Type of internal network available among the execution environments
LogicalCPUDistribution	String	0..1		Syntax: X*1*:Y*1*, …, X*n*:Y*n* where X*i* is the number of logical CPUs and Y*i* is the number of boxes for the execution environment *i*
GridAreaTotal	Int32	0..1	GB	Total shared disk space allocated in the computing resource available to Grid jobs
GridAreaFree	Int32	0..1	GB	Free shared disk space allocated in the computing resource available to Grid jobs
GridAreaLifeTime	Int32	0..1	min	Lifetime of the Grid job directory after the end of the jobs
CacheTotal	Int32	0..1	GB	Total disk space allocated for caching files of Grid jobs
CacheFree	Int32	0..1	GB	Free disk space allocated for caching files of Grid jobs

Commento [SA37]: Verify if there are use cases where same worker nodes are managed by different LRMS's

Commento [SA38]: To clarifiy relationship between execEnv (total,used) and CPUs (physical,logical)

Commento [SA39]: Check with GIN work if they are needed

Commento [SA40]: If they are confirmed to stay here, check if they are needed also in the ExecutionEnvironment

Commento [SA41]: Add type in appendix

Commento [SA42]: Evaluate if the 5 attributes Grid* + Cache* have to be moved in the computingEndpoint

A local resource management system like a batch system is an example of aggregation scope. The Operating System can be the simplest case of LRMS.

6.5 Benchmark

Entity	Inherits from			Description
Benchmark				Benchmark information about a computing entity
Property	**Type**	**Mult.**	**Unit**	**Description**
Type	Benchmark_t	1		Type of benchmark
Value	Int32	1		Value

6.6 ExecutionEnvironment

Entity	Inherits from			Description
ExecutionEnvironment				A description of hardware and software characteristics that defines the environment available to and requestable by a Grid job when submitted to a Computing Service via a Computing Endpoint; the description also includes information about the total/available/used instances of the execution environment
Property	**Type**	**Mult.**	**Unit**	**Description**
ID [key]	URI	1		A global unique ID
PlatformType	Platform_t	1		The type of platform running the execution environment instance
VirtualMachine	Boolean	0..1		True if the execution environment is based on a virtual machine (in this case, the values of the other attributes are related to the virtualized environment and not to the hosting environment)
TotalInstances	Int32	0..1		Number of execution environment instances
UsedInstances	Int32	0..1		Number of used execution environment instances (an instance is used when, according to the policies of the LRMS, it cannot accept new jobs because it already runs the maximum number of jobs)
UnavailableInstances	Int32	0..1		Number of unavailable execution environment instances because of failures or maintenance
PhysicalCPUs	Int32	0..1		Number of physical CPUs in an execution environment instance (counted by socket)
LogicalCPUs	Int32	0..1		Number of logical CPUs in an execution environment instance as showed by the operating system
CPUMultiplicity	CPUMultiplicity_t	0..1		Multiplicity of the CPU
CPUVendor	String	0..1		Name of the CPU vendor
CPUModel	String	0..1		CPU model as defined by the vendor
CPUVersion	String	0..1		CPU version as defined by the vendor
CPUClockSpeed	Int32	0..1	MHz	CPU nominal clock speed
MainMemorySize	Int64	1	byte	Amount of RAM (if many jobs run in the same execution environment, they compete for the total RAM)
VirtualMemorySize	Int64	0..1	byte	The amount of Virtual Memory (RAM+Swap)
OSFamily	OSFamily_t	1		Family of the operating system
OSName	OSName_t	0..1		Name of the operating system
OSVersion	String	0..1		Version of the operating system
ConnectivityIn	Boolean	1		Permission for direct inbound connectivity, even if limited
ConnectivityOut	Boolean	1		Permission for direct outbound connectivity, even if limited
NetworkInfo	NetworkInfo_t	0..1		Type of internal network available among the execution environments

Commento [SA43]: do we need global ID?

Commento [SA44]: Re-evaluate if to use Mega/GigaB or just bytes

An execution environment can be realized in several ways. Examples are a computing node or a virtual machine image that can be requested by a job (different virtual machine images can coexist on the same node). The description about individual software packages is considered by the ApplicationEnvironment class.

6.7 ApplicationEnvironment

Commento [SA45]: to be investigated

Entity	Inherits from	Description
ApplicationEnvironment		Description of the application software environment available within one or more execution environments

Property		Type	Mult.	Unit	Description
ID	[key]	URI	1		A global unique ID
Name		String	1		Name
Version		String	0..1		Version
State		AppEnvState_t	0..1		State about the installation
LifeTime		Int32	0..1	s	Time left before removal
License		License_t	0..1		The type of license
InstalledRoot		String	0..1		The directory where the software is installed on the file system
SetupMethod		SetupMethod_t	0..1		Method for setting the environment
SetupKey		String	0..1		Fully qualified script for the setting of the application environment
Description		String	0..1		The description of this application environment
MaxCPUs		Int32	0..1		Maximum number of CPUs that can run the application environment at the same time
MaxJobSeats		Int32	0..1		Maximum number of jobs that can use the application environment at the same time
MaxUserSeats		Int32	0..1		Maximum number of users that can use the application environment at the same time
FreeCPUs		Int32	0..1		Available number of CPUs that can run the application environment at the same time
FreeJobSeats		Int32	0..1		Available number of jobs that can use the application environment at the same time
FreeUserSeats		Int32	0..1		Available number of users that can use the application environment at the same time

Commento [SA46]: do we need global ID?

Commento [SA47]: directory _t?

Commento [SA48]: filesystem path type?

Commento [SA49]: Verify naming Seats vs. slots vs CPU; avoid different names for same concepts

Commento [SA50]: To be confirmed

The Application Environment is suggested to be used also for describing application software in terms of a simple tag. In this case, the Name property should be used.

6.8 ComputingActivity

Entity	Inherits from	Description
ComputingActivity	Activity	An activity managed by an OGSA execution capability service (the computing activity is traditionally called job)

Inherited Property	*Type*	*Mult*	*Unit*	*Description*
ID [key]	*URI*	*1*		*A global unique ID*
Type	*ActivityType_t*	*1*		*The type of this activity*

Property	Type	Mult.	Unit	Description
LocalID	String	0..1		The job ID as assigned by the LRMS
Name	String	0..1		The job name as specified by the userin the jobdescription document
State	ComputingActivityState_t	1		The status of the Grid job
ReRunable	ComputingActivityState_t	0..1		The name of the Grid job state from which a failed grid job can be rerun following a client request.
ExitCode	Int32	0..1		The exit code of the executable of Grid job
LRMSExitCode	Int32	0..1		The exit code provided by the batch system
Errors	String	0..1		Textual explanation of the job's failure, the error message provided by the Grid layer running on the resource
WaitingPosition	Int32	0..1		The queue/LRMS position of a waiting Grid job
Owner	String	1		The Grid identity of the job's owner
LocalOwner	String	0..1		The maped local userID of the job's owner
RequestedWallTime	Int32	0..1	min	The wallclock time request of the job
RequestedCPUTime	Int32	0..1	min	The CPU time request of the job
RequestedApplicationEnvirnment	String	*		The name of the requested ApplicationEnvironment
RequestedCPUs	Int32	0..1		The number of requested cpus
StdOut	String	0..1		The name of the file which contains the standard output of the job
StdErr	String	0..1		The name of the file which contains the standard error of the job
StdIn	String	0..1		The name of the file which is used as the standard input of the job
LogDir	String	0..1		The name of the directory which contains the Grid session related logs within the session directory of the job
Otherinfo	String	*		The multivalued attribute contains the optional job comments provided by either the Grid Layer or the Local Resource Management System
ExecutionNodes	String	*		The multivalued attribute presents the local node names of the cluster nodes which are occupied by the running Grid job
ExecutionQueue	String	0..1		The name of the LRMS queue executing the grid job
ExecutionComputingService	String	0..1		The name of the ComputingService executing the Grid job
UsedWallTime	Int32	0..1	min	The consumed wall clock time of the job
UsedCPUTime	Int32	0..1	min	The consumed cpu time of the job
UsedMemory	Int32	0..1		The memory usage of the job
CompletionTime	DateTime_t	0..1		The completion time of the Grid job. The time stamp when the job entered its final state

Commento [SA51]: Add more timestamp attributes such as CreationTime, StartTime, …; check with SAS doc

Commento [SA52]: Evaluate which attributes can be moved to the Activity class

Commento [SA53]: define state model

Commento [SA54]: check consistency with OGF Usage records specs, JSDL and BES

Commento [BK55]: Has to be synchronized with the ApplicationEnvironment tag

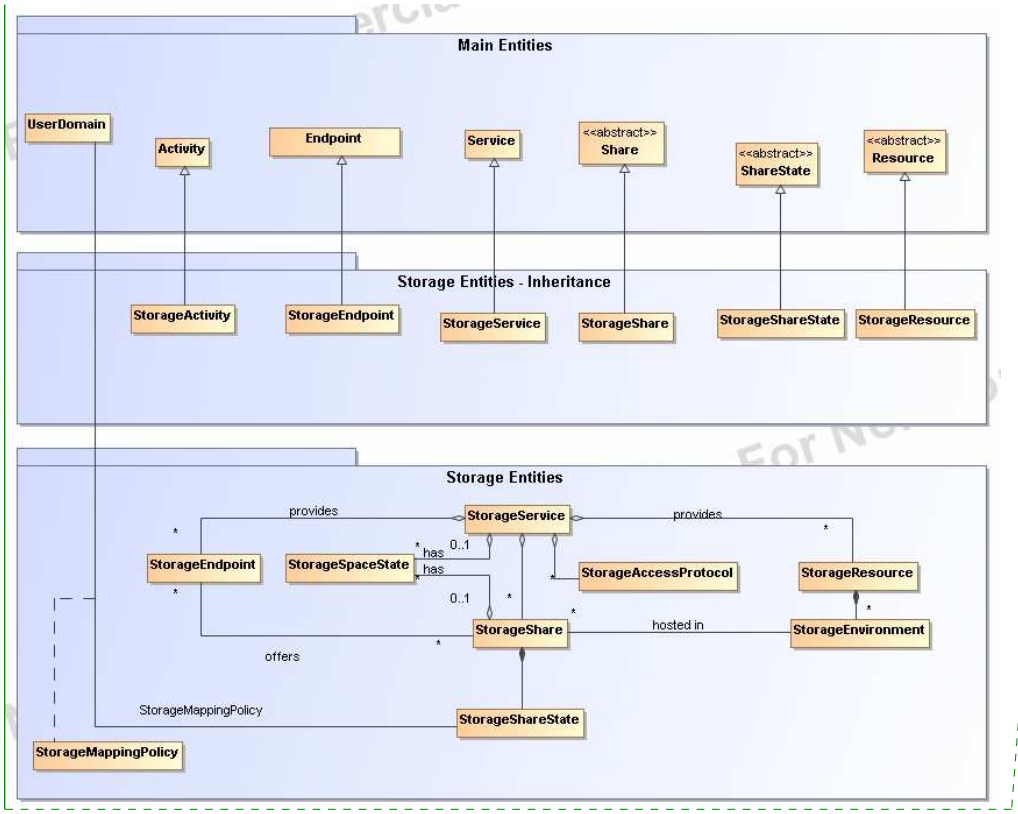
Commento [BK56]: What shall be used to identify the execution cluster?

SessionDirEraseTime	DateTime_t	0..1		The time when the dedicated Grid job area will be removed from the Computingservice
ProxyExpirationTime	DateTime_t	0..1		The expiration time of the proxy assigned to the job
SubmissionTime	DateTime_t	0..1		The time stamp of the submission of the job to the ComputingService
SubmissionClient	String	0..1		The attribute specifies client machine from where the job was submitted in a fixed format string. The string contains the submission host's IP, the port and the host name
SubmissionClientSoftware	String	0..1		The name of the client software which was used to submit the job

A Job is typically described by an XML document compliant to the JSDL specification. In this specification, the Job is related to a single processor job. Other job types such "collection of jobs" and workflows will be considered in a future revision.

7. Conceptual Model of the Storage Service

Like the Computing Service, the conceptual model of the Storage Service is based upon the main entities and uses specializations for those entities. Further on, storage related concepts such as StorageShareState, StorageSpaceState, StorageMappingPolicy, StorageEnvironment and StorageAccessProtocol are introduced.



Commento [fe57]: How should the CESEBind from 1.3 be represented?

Figure 3 Entities and relationships for the Storage Element model

7.1 StorageService

Entity	Inherits from	Description
StorageService	Service	An abstracted, logical view of actual software

				components that participate in the creation of a storage capacity in a Grid environment. A storage service exposes one or more endpoints having well-defined interfaces and one or more storage shares. The service is autonomous and denotes a weak aggregation among endpoints and the defined storage shares. The service enables to identify the whole set of entities providing the storage functionality with a persistent name.
Inherited Property	**Type**	**Mult**	**Unit**	**Description**
ID [key]	*URI*	*1*		*A global unique ID*
Name	*String*	*0..1*		*Human-readable name*
Capability	*ServiceCapability_t*	*		*The capability provided by this service according to the OGSA architecture*
Type	*ServiceType_t*	*1*		*The type of service according to a middleware classification*
QualityLevel	*QualityLevel_t*	*1*		*Maturity of the service in terms of quality of the software components*
StatusPage	*URI*	*		*Web page providing additional information like monitoring aspects*
Complexity	*String*	*0..1*		*Human-readable summary description of the complexity in terms of the number of endpoint types, shares and resources. The syntax should be: endpointType=X, share=Y, resource=Z.*
OtherInfo	*String*	*		*Placeholder to publish info that does not fit in any other attribute. Free-form string, comma-separated tags, (name, value) pair are example of syntax*
Property	**Type**	**Mult.**	**Unit**	**Description**
Implementation Name	String	1		The name of the running software
Implementation Version	String	1		The version of the running software
Architecture	String	1		The Architecture this storage management software is running on.

The storage service is formed by storage endpoints offering interfaces to the service and storage shares which represent allocated storage capacity on the service which can be utilized for storage activities. The access to the endpoint and shares is controlled by a mapping policy instance.

A storage service is instantiated when it offers at least one endpoint. It may have zero or more shares. A storage service without a storage share does not offer any storage capabilities.

7.2 StorageEndpoint

Entity	Inherits from			Description
StorageEndpoint	Endpoint, Downtime			Endpoint for accessing and controlling storage activities.
Inherited Property	**Type**	**Mult**	**Unit**	**Description**
ID [key]	*URI*	*1*		*A global unique ID*
Name	*String*	*0..1*		*Human-readable name*
URL	*URI*	*1*		*Network location of the endpoint to contact the related service*
Capability	*EndpointCapability_t*	*		*The capability exposed by this interface*
Type	*EndpointType_t*	*1*		*The type of endpoint according to a middleware classification*
QualityLevel	*QualityLevel_t*	*1*		*Maturity of the service in terms of quality of the software components*
SpecificationName	*String*	*0..1*		*Name of the interface specification*
SpecificationVersion	*String*	*0..1*		*Version of the interface*
Implementor	*String*	*0..1*		*Main organization implementing this software component*
ImplementationName	*String*	*0..1*		*Name of the implementation*
ImplementationVersion	*String*	*0..1*		*Version of the implementation (e.g., major version.minor version.pathcversion)*
HealthState	*EndpointHealthState_t*	*1*		*A state representing the health of the endpoint*
HealthStateInfo	*String*	*0..1*		*Textual explanation of the state endpoint*
ServingState	*ServingState_t*	*1*		*The serving state (production, draining, queueing, closed)*
WSDL	*URI*	*		*URL of the WSDL document describing the offered interface (applies to Web Services endpoint)*
SupportedProfile	*URI*	*		*URI identifying a supported profile*
Semantics	*URI*	*		*URL of a document providing a human-readable description of the semantics of the endpoint functionalities*
StartTime	*DateTime_t*	*0..1*		*The timestamp for the start time of the endpoint*
IssuerCA	*DN_t*	*0..1*		*Distinguished name of Certification Authority issuing the certificate for the endpoint*
DowntimeAnnounce	*DateTime_t*	*0..1*		*The timestamp for the announcement of the next scheduled downtime*
DowntimeStart	*DateTime_t*	*1*		*The starting timestamp of the next scheduled downtime*
DowntimeEnd	*DateTime_t*	*0..1*		*The ending timestamp of the next scheduled downtime*
DowntimeInfo	*String*	*0..1*		*Description of the next scheduled downtime*
Property	**Type**	**Mult.**	**Unit**	**Description**
Capability	String	*		Other information regarding this Endpoint

Commento [SA58]: To be verified if we keep both here and in service or only in one part

Commento [SA59]: Suggesti on to use URI for identifying categories; Donal will provide examples

Commento [SA60]: What is the relationship between values for this attribute and values for the service.qualityLevel?

Commento [SA61]: Verify if a single value is enough

Commento [SA62]: Duplicate d attribute name already present in parent class

A StorageEndpoint exposes one interface of how a storage service can be contacted. It gives information about the control protocol and its status as well as possible downtimes.

A storage endpoint is linked to storage shares and thereby knows which shares it gives access to. The Capability field can be used to specify other restrictions such as WAN read-only/LAN read-write.

7.3 StorageShare

Entity	Inherits from	Description
StorageShare	Share	A utilization target for a set of storage resources defined by a set of configuration parameters and characterized by status information

Inherited Property	*Type*	*Mult*	*Unit*	*Description*
LocalID [key]	String	1		An opaque local identifier
Name	String	0..1		Human-readable name

Property	Type	Mult.	Unit	Description
Path	String	0..1		
ExpirationMode	ExpirationMode_t	0..1		The expiration mode for files contained in the share
Tag	String	*		A user defined tag for additional information

Commento [fe63]: Attributes to be discussed

A storage share represents allocated, (to a user domain) dedicated logical storage space within a storage service and can be accessed through the service's endpoint(s).
The access of UserDomains to StorageShares is described by the StorageMappingPolicy.

7.3.1 StorageShareState

Entity	Inherits from	Description
StorageShareState		Describes the State of a StorageShare.

Property	Type	Mult.	Unit	Description
Status	StorageShareState_T	1		Up / Down / Maintenance

Commento [fe64]: Attributes to be discussed

7.4 StorageResource

Entity	Inherits from	Description
StorageResource	Resource	Grouping concept for a set of different types of storage environments offered through storage endpoint(s). The storage resource usually represents aggregated information. The aggregation is defined by the common local management scope.

Inherited Property	Type	Mult	Unit	Description
ID [key]	*URI*	*1*		*A global unique ID*
Name	*string*	*0..1*		*Human-readable name*

Property	Type	Mult.	Unit	Description

7.5 StorageAccessProtocol

Entity	Inherits from	Description
StorageAccessProtocol		Describes the access protocols of a Service.

Property	Type	Mult.	Unit	Description
LocalID	String	1		An opaque local identifier
Type	StorageAccessProtocol_T	1		The name of the protocol
Version	String	1		The version of the protocol
MaxStreams	Int64	1		The number of parallel streams this protocol supports

7.6 StorageEnvironment

Entity	Inherits from	Description
StorageEnvironment		Description of the storage environment of the StorageShare.

Property	Type	Mult.	Unit	Description
ID [key]	URI	1		A global unique ID
Type	StorageEnvironmentType_t	0..1		Volatile, Durable, Permanent
AccessLatency	AccessLatency_t	0..1		Online, Nearline, Offline
RetentionPolicy	RetentionPolicy_t	0..1		Custodial, Output, Replica

Commento [fe65]: Attributes to be discussed

7.7 StorageSpaceState

Entity	Inherits from			Description
StorageShareState				Describes
Property	**Type**	**Mult.**	**Unit**	**Description**
FreeSize	Int32	1	GByte	The free space left
UsedSize	Int32	1	GByte	The used space
TotalSize	Int32	0..1	GByte	The total size
ReservedSize	Int32	0..1	GByte	The reserved

7.8 StorageMappingPolicy

Entity	Inherits from			Description
StorageMappingPolicy	MappingPolicy			Statements, rules or assertions that specify which instantiation of a Domain may use the associated StorageShare..
Inherited Property				*Description*
Scheme	*PolicyScheme_t*			*1*
Rule	*String*			*
Property	**Type**	**Mult.**	**Unit**	**Description**
LocalID	URI	1		A local identifier for this Policy
Name	String	1		An descriptive name for this Policy
Path	String	1		Path used by VO for writing in an associated Share
Tag	String	1		A user defined tag for this policy

The StorageMappingPolicy describes the relationship of a Userdomain and StorageShare it may access. It keeps further information of how the Userdomain may utilize the StorageShare.

8. Relationship to OGF Reference Model

In this section, we describe the integration of the GLUE information model with the OGF Reference Model.

Commento [SA66]: To be updated

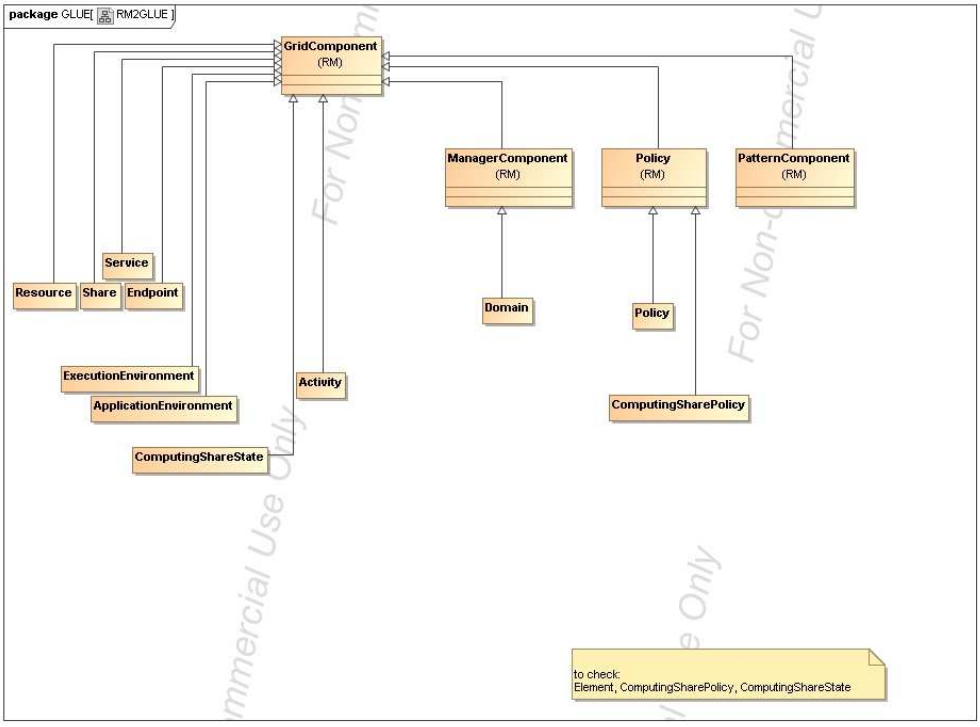


Figure 4 GLUE and Reference Model integration (draft)

9. Template

Commento [SA67]: Describe template

Entity	Inherits from			Description
Property	**Type**	**Mult.**	**Unit**	**Description**

10. Security Considerations

Please refer to RFC 3552 [RESCORLA] for guidance on writing a security considerations section. This section is required in all documents, and should not just say “there are no security considerations.” Quoting from the RFC:

> “Most people speak of security as if it were a single monolithic property of a protocol or system, however, upon reflection, one realizes that it is clearly not true. Rather, security is a series of related but somewhat independent properties. Not all of these properties are required for every application.
>
> We can loosely divide security goals into those related to protecting communications (COMMUNICATION SECURITY, also known as COMSEC) and those relating to protecting systems (ADMINISTRATIVE SECURITY or SYSTEM SECURITY). Since communications are carried out by systems and access to systems is through communications channels, these goals obviously interlock, but they can also be independently provided.”

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18. Appendix A: Place-holder values for unknown data

Whilst people endeavour to provide accurate information, there may be situations where specific GLUE attributes may be assigned place-holder (or dummy) values. These place-holder values carry some additional semantic meaning; specifically, that the correct value is currently unknown and the presented value should be ignored. This appendix describes a set of such place-holder values.

Some attributes within the GLUE schema are required whilst others are optional. If the attribute is optional and the corresponding information is unavailable, the information provider must either publish a place-holder or not to publish the attribute. If the attribute is required, then the information must either publish a place-holder value or refrain from publishing the GLUE object.

If a place-holder value is published, it must conform to the scheme described in this appendix. This is to increase the likelihood that software will understand the nature of the information it receives.

This appendix describes place-holder values that have be chosen so they are obvious "wrong" to humans, unlikely to occur under normal operation and valid within the attribute type. This also allows for detection of failing information provider components.

18.1 Use cases

There are two principle use-cases for place-holder values, although others may exist.

Scenario 1. a static value has no good default value and has not been configured for a particular site.

Some provisions for GLUE Schema provide templates. These templates may contain attributes that have no good default value; for example, supplying the correct value may require site-specific knowledge. Whilst it is expected that these attributes be configured, it is possible that this does not happen, so exposing the attributes' default values.

Scenario 2. information provider is unable to obtain a dynamic value.

A dynamic value is provided by an information provider by querying the underlying grid resources. This query will use a number of ancillary resources (e.g., DNS, network hardware) that might fail; the grid services might also fail. If an attribute is required and the current value is unobtainable, a place-holder value must be used.

18.2 Place-holder values

This section describes a number of values that can be represented within a given address space (e.g., Strings/UTF-8, Integers, FQDNs, IPv4 address space). Each of the different types are introduced along with the place-holder value and a brief discussion on usage, rational and any other considerations.

Simple strings (ASCII/UTF-8) should use "UNDEFINEDVALUE" or should start "UNDEFINEDVALUE:"

Upper-case letters make it easier to spot and a single word avoids any white-space issues.

A short error message can be incorporated into the message by appending the message after the colon.

Examples:
UNDEFINEDVALUE
UNDEFINEDVALUE: unable to contact torque daemon.

Using UNDEFINEDVALUE is a default option for strings that have no widely-known structure. If a value is of a more restrictive sub-type (e.g., FQDNs, FQANs, URIs) described below, then the rules for more restrictive form must be used.

18.2.1 Fully qualified domain names

They must use a hostname ending either "example.org" for scenario 1, or "invalid" for scenario 2.

RFC 2606 defines two second-level domains: "example.org" and "example.com". These domains have the advantage of ending with a recognisable TLD, so are recognisable as a DNS name. Default configuration (scenario 1, above) must use DNS names that end "example.org"

RFC 2606 also reserves the "invalid" Top-Level-Domain (TLD) as always invalid and clearly so. For dynamic information gathering, a value ending "invalid" must be used.

In both cases, additional information may be included by specifying a prefix to "example.org" or "invalid". This may be used to specify the class of machine that should be present. For dynamic infomation, if the class of machine is not published then the FQDN "unknown.invalid" must be used.

Examples:
www.example.org
your-CE.example.org
unknown.invalid
site-local-BDII.invalid

18.2.2 IPv4 address

It must use 192.0.2.250

There are several portions of IPv4 addresses that should not appear on a network, but none that are reserved for documentation or to specify a non-existent address. Using any address leads to the risk of side-effects, should this value be used.

The best option is an IP address from the 192.0.2.0/24 subnet. This subnet is defined in RFC 3330 as "TEST-NET" for use in documentation and example code. For consistency, the value 192.0.2.250 must be used.

18.2.3 IPv6 addr

It must use 2001:DB8::FFFF

There is no documented undefined IPv6 address. RFC 3849 reserves the address prefix 2001:DB8::/32 for documentation. For consistency, the address 2001:DB8::FFFF must be used.

18.2.4 Integers

It must use "all nines"
For uint32/int32 this is 999,999,999
For uint64/int64 this is 999,999,999,999,999,999

For integers, all numbers expressible within the encoding (int32/uint32/etc.) are valid so there is no safe choice.

If an unsigned integer is encoded as a signed integer, it is possible to use negative numbers safely. However, these numbers will be unrepresentable if the number is stored as an unsigned integer. For this reason a negative number place-holder must not be used.

The number was chosen for three reasons. First, attribute scales are often chosen to reduce the likelihood of overflow: numbers towards MAXINT (the large number representable in an integer domain) are less likely to appear. Second, repeated numbers stand out more clearly to humans. Finally, the statistical frequency of measured values often follows Benford's law, which indicates that numbers starting with "1" occur far more frequently than those starting with "9" (about six times more likely). For these reasons, information providers must use all-nines to indicate an unknown value.

18.2.5 File path

It must start either "/UNDEFINEDPATH" or "\UNDEFINEDPATH".

As with the simple string, a single upper-case word is recommended. The initial slash indicates that the value is a path. Implementations must use whichever slash is most appropriate for the underlying system (Unix-like systems use a forward-slash). Software should accept either value as an unknown-value place-holder.

Additional information can be encoded as data beyond the initial UNDEFINEDPATH, separated by the same slash as started the value. Additional comments should not use any of the following characters: \ [ ] ; = " : | , * .

Examples:
/UNDEFINEDPATH
\UNDEFINEDPATH
/UNDEFINEDPATH/Path to storage area
/UNDEFINEDPATH/Broker unavailable

18.2.6 Email addresses

It must use an undefined FQDN for the domain.

RFC 2822 defines emails addresses to have the form: <local-part> '@' <domain>

The <domain> must be an undefined FQDN; see above for a complete description. For email addresses, information providers should use "example.org" for scenario 1. and "unknown.invalid" for scenario 2.

The <local-part> may be used to encode a small amount of additional information; for example, it may indicate the class of user to whom the email address should be delivered. If no such information is to be encoded the value "user" must be used.

Examples:
user@example.org
user@unknown.invalid
site-local-contact@example.org
local-admin@example.org

18.2.7 Uniform Resource Identifier (URI)

It is schema-specific

RFC 3986 defines URIs as a "federated and extensible naming system." All URIs start with a schema-name part (e.g., "http") and no schema-name has been reserved for undefined or documenting example values.

For any given URI schema ("http", for example), it may be possible to define an unknown value within that name-space. If a GLUE value has only one valid schema, the undefined value must be taken from that schema. If several schemata are possible, one must be chosen from the available options. This should be the most commonly used.

Take care with the URI encoding. All unknown URI values must be valid URIs. If additional information is included, it must be encoded so the resulting URI is valid.

For schemata that may include a FQDN (e.g., a reference to an Internet host), an undefined URI must use an undefined FQDN; see above for details on undefined FQDNs.

URI schemata that reference a remote file (e.g., "http", "ftp", "https"), additional information may be included as the path. The FQDN indicates that the value is a place-holder, indicating an unknown value, so information providers should not specify "UNDEFINEDPATH".

For "file" URIs, the path part must identify the value as unknown and must use the forward-slash variant; see above for details on undefined paths.

For "mailto" URIs [RFC 2368] encapsulates valid email addresses with additional information (such as email headers and message body). Unknown mailto URIs must use an unknown email address (see above). Any additional information must be included in the email body.

There may be other schemata in use that are not explicitly covered in this section. A place-holder value should be agreed upon within whichever domain such schemata are used. This place-holder value should be in the spirit of the place-holder values described so far.

Examples:
http://www.example.org/
httpg://your-CE.example.org/path/to/end-point
httpg://unknown.invalid/User%20certificate%20has%20expired
mailto:site-admin@example.org
mailto:user@maildomain.invalid?body=Problem%20connecting%20to%20WLMS
file:///UNDEFINEDPATH
file:///UNDEFINEDPATH/path%20to%20some%20directory

18.2.8 X509 Distinguished Names

It must start /O=Grid/CN=UNDEFINEDUSER

X509 uses a X500 namespace, represented as several Relative Domain-Names (RDNs) concatenated by forward-slashes. The final RDN is usually a single common name (CN), although multiple CNs are allowed.

Unknown DN values must have at least two entries: an initial O=Grid followed immediately by CN=UNDEFINEDUSER.

Additional information can be encoded using extra CN entries. These must come after CN=UNDEFINEDUSER.

Examples:
/O=Grid/CN=UNDEFINEDUSER
/O=Grid/CN=UNDEFINEDUSER/CN=Your Grid certificate DN here
/O=Grid/CN=UNDEFINEDUSER/CN=Cannot access SE

18.2.9 Fully Qualified Attribute Name (FQAN)

It must use a VO of "vo.example.org" (for scenario 1.) or "unknown.invalid" (for scenario 2).

The "VOMS Credential Format" document,

http://edg-wp2.web.cern.ch/edg-wp2/security/voms/edg-voms-credential.pdf

states that FQANs must have the form:

/VO[/group[/subgroup(s)]][/Role=role][/Capability=cap]

Where VO is a well-formed DNS name. Unlike DNS names, VO names must be lower-case. The unknown place-holder value for FQAN is derived from the unknown DNS name (see above). It must have no subgroup(s) or Capability specified.

Any additional information must be encoded within a single Role name. Care should be taken that only valid characters (A-Z, a-z, 0-9 and dash) are included.

Examples:
/vo.example.org
/vo.example.org/Role=Replace-this-example-with-your-FQAN
/unknown.invalid
/unknown.invalid/Role=Unable-to-contact-CE-Error-42

18.2.10 Geographic locations

It must use longitude 0 degrees, latitude 0 degrees.

Meridians of longitude are taken from (-180,180] degrees, whilst parallels of latitude are taken from [-90,90] degrees. For a place-holder value to be a valid location, it must also be taken from these ranges.

By a happy coincidence, the (0,0) location is within the Atlantic Ocean, some 380 miles (611 kilometers) south of the nearest country (Ghana). Since this location is unlikely to be used and repeated numbers are easier for humans to spot, (0,0) must be used to specify an unknown location.

19. Appendix B: Data Types

19.1 ContactType_t

Open enumeration

Value	Description
security	
sysadmin	
usersupport	
general	

19.2 PolicyScheme_t

Value	Description

19.3 DN_t

19.4 ServiceCapability_t

List of values initially drafted from [omii-jra2-djra2.1]. To be refined by examples. Open enumeration.

Value	Description
security.authentication	Capacity of providing authentication mechanisms for Grid users machine and services
security.credentialStorage	Capacity of providing an online credential repository that allows users to securely obtain credentials when and where needed
security.delegation	capacity for a user to give a service the authority to undertake specific activities or decisions on its behalf
security.authorization	capacity of handling authorization aspects, making authorization decisions about the subject and the requested mode of access based upon combining information from a number of distinct sources
security.identymapping	capacity of mapping Grid-level credentials to local level credentials (e.g., mapping a user X.509 certificate into a UNIX account).
security.attributeauthority	capacity of associating a user with a set of attributes in a trusted manner to a relying party, by way of digitally signed assertions
security.accounting	capacity of systematically recording, reporting, and analyzing the usage of resources
data.transfer	capacity of moving a file from one network location to another. It refers to the actual transfer (e.g., as performed by protocols like FTP, GridFTP, or HTTP)
data.management.transfer	capacity of managing a transfer of files from the start to the completion
data.management.replica	capacity of managing the creation of file replicas upon request
data.management.storage	capacity of managing a storage resource, from simple systems like disk-servers to complex hierarchical systems
data.naming.resolver	capacity of resolving one name to another (for example, search the associated abstract name to a certain human-oriented name)
data.naming.scheme	capacity of attaching names to data resources. (To evaluate if it should moved to the main category infrastructure instead of data). In OGSA, a three-level naming scheme is defined: (1) human-oriented name, (2) abstract name and (3) address
data.access.relational	capacity of providing access to a relational data source

data.access.xml	capacity of providing access to an XML data source
data.access.flatfiles	capacity of providing access to a flat file
information.model	capacity of modelling resources based on a community accepted definition
information.discovery	capacity of locating unknown resources or services, possibly satisfying a set of requirements
information.logging	capacity of recording data, often chronologically
information.monitoring	capacity of periodically observing measurements, transform them and make available to users or other applications
information.provenance	capacity of providing long-term storage of information related to Grid activity and to let this information be accessed by users or other applications.
execman.bes	capacity of executing a job or set of jobs.
execman.jobdescription	capacity of letting users be able to describe a job submission request based on a machine-processable language
execman.jobmanager	capacity of managing the execution of a job or set of jobs from start to finish
execman.executionandplanning	capacity of building schedules for jobs, that is, the capability of defining mappings between services and resources, possibly with time constraints
execman.candidatesetgenerator	capacity of determining the set of resources on which a nit of workcan execute
execman.reservation	capacity of managing reservation of resources for future usage

19.5 ServiceType_t

Every item should start with org.MIDDLEWARENAME. Open enumeration.

Value	Description
org.glite.wms	
org.glite.lb	
…	

19.6 QualityLevel_t

Closed enumeration

Value	Description
development	
testing	
pre-production	
production	

19.7 EndpointCapability_t

The initial set of values is drafted from [omii-jra2-djra2.1]. At the moment, we use the same of ServiceCapability_t. Open enumeration

19.8 EndpointType_t

Open enumeration.

Value	Description
webservice	
jndi	
…	

19.9 EndpointHealthState_t

Closed enumeration

Value	Description
ok	
warning	
critical	
unknown	
other	

19.10 ServingState_t

Closed enumeration

Value	Description
production	
draining	
queueing	
closed	

19.11 ActivityType_t

Open enumeration

Value	Description
computing	

19.12 DateTime_t

Extended ISO 8061 format: [-]CCYY-MM-DDThh:mm:ss[Z|(+|-)hh:mm]
This data type maps the XSD dateTime simple type.
We restrict this syntax to GMT timezone: yyyy '-' mm '-' dd 'T' hh ':' mm ':' ss Z

Commento [SA69]: Ad examples or more description

19.13 Staging_t

Open enumeration:

Value	Description
none	No staging of files supported
stagingin	Automatic staging in of files supported
stagingout	Automatic staging out of files supported
staginginout	Automatic staging in and out of files supported

19.14 SchedulingPolicy_t

Open enumeration:

Value	Description
fairshare	Statistically guarantees the allocated share
fifo	First-In First-Out
random	Random choice

19.15 LRMSType_t

Open enumeration:

Value	Description
openpbs	
lsf	

19.16 NetworkInfo_t

Open enumeration

Value	Description
gigabitethernet	
myrinet	
infiniband	

19.17 Benchmark_t

Open enumeration

Value	Description
specint2000	
specfp2000	
bogomips	

19.18 platform_t

Open enumeration:

Value	Description
Ia32	
Ia64	

19.19 CPUMultiplicity_t

Closed enumeration:

Value	Description
singlecpu-singlecore	The execution environment is run by a single CPU with a single core
singlecpu-multicore	The execution environment is run by a single CPU with multiple cores
multicpu-singlecore	The execution environment is run by multiple CPUs with a single core each
multicpu-multicore	The execution environment is run by multiple CPUs with a multiple cores each

19.20 OSFamily_t

Open enumeration:

Value	Description
linux	
macos	
windows	
solaris	

19.21 OSName_t

Open enumeration:

Value	Description
scientificlinuxcern	
scientificlinux	
windowsxp	
windowsvista	
ubuntu	
debian	
centos	
leopard	

19.22 AppEnvState_t

Open enumeration:

Value	Description
tested	
installed	
dynamic	
toberemoved	

19.23 License_t

Closed enumeration

Value	Description
opensource	
commercial	
unknown	

19.24 SetupMethod_t

Closed enumeration

Value	Description
default	
setenv	
…	

19.25 ComputingActivityState_t

Open enumeration:

Value	Description

19.26 ExpirationMode_t

Closed enumeration:

Value	Description
never	

warn	
release	

19.27 StorageShareState_t

Closed enumeration:

Value	Description
ok	
down	
maintenance	

19.28 StorageAccessProtocol_t

Open enumeration:

Value	Description
gsiftp	
nfs	
afs	
rfio	
gsirfio	
dcap	
gsidcap	
root	
https	

19.29 StorageEnvironmentType_t

Closed enumeration:

Value	Description
volatile	
durable	
permanent	

19.30 AccessLatency_t

Closed enumeration:

Value	Description
online	
nearline	
offline	

19.31 RetentionPolicy_t

Closed enumeration:

Value	Description
custodial	
output	
replica	

In the final section, this page will contain the XML Schema rendering of GLUE 2.0. Meanwhile, the draft schema can be located at the following page:

http://forge.ogf.org/sf/wiki/do/viewPage/projects.glue-wg/wiki/GLUE2XMLSchema

20. Appendix C: XML Schema Rendering

21. Appendix D: LDAP Rendering

In the final section, this page will contain the LDAP rendering of GLUE 2.0 (both schema and Directory Information Tree description). Meanwhile, the draft schema can be located at the following page:

http://forge.ogf.org/sf/wiki/do/viewPage/projects.glue-wg/wiki/GLUE2LDAP

22. Appendix E: Relational Rendering

In the final section, this page will contain the Relational Schema rendering of GLUE 2.0. Meanwhile, the draft schema can be located at the following page:

http://forge.ogf.org/sf/wiki/do/viewPage/projects.glue-wg/wiki/GLUE2Relational