Update on the Dynamic Federation
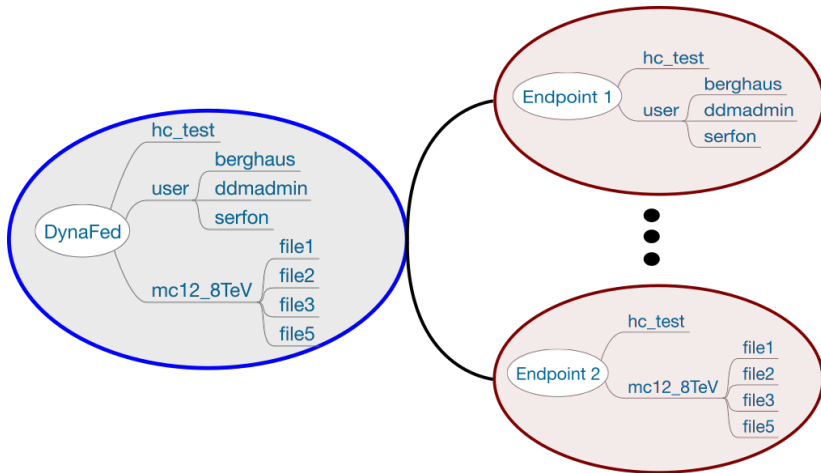
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Technical Coordination Board

Review: What does DynaFed do?

- Aggregates storage and metadata farms on-the-fly
- Exposes standard protocols that support redirections and WAN data access
- Creates (the illusion of) a unique namespace from a set of distinct storage or metadata endpoints
- read and write support

Dynafed Namespace

Motivation

- Ease of negotiating connections between storage and users/jobs
- Integrate multiple storage backend under the same protocol
- Stability because of multiplication of data sources
- Ease the pain of supporting SRM
- What have I forgotten?

ATLAS Projects with DynaFed

- UVic in Victoria: Rolf Seuster & Marcus Ebert
- UVic at CERN: Frank Berghaus
- At RAL: Alastair Dewhurst
- Italy in Frascati, Napoli and Roma: Alessandro De Salvo

With lots of help from ADC (Ale and Ivan) and DDM (Mario and Cedric)!

Status of DynaFed at CERN

- Endpoint:
  `https://dynafed-dev.cern.ch/atlas/scratchdisk/`
- Panda Queue: CERN-EXTENSION_MCORE
- DDM Endpoint: CERN-EXTENSION_SCRATCHDISK
- Setup:
  - DynaFed running on CC7 on CERN OpenStack
  - Linked to CephS3 at CERN
- Authentication:
  - Using X.509 with VOMS extensions
  - Federation forwards signed URLs to authenticated users (signatures last 1h)
- Jobs write to DynaFed
- Rucio replication has errors with protocol mismatches

Status of DynaFed at RAL

- Endpoint: `https://dynafed.stfc.ac.uk/gridpp/`
- DDM Endpoint: RAL-AZURE_DATADISK, RAL-AZURE_SCRATCHDISK
- Setup:
  - Single VM but easily scalable
  - Linked to S3 Gateway at RAL
- Authentication:
  - Using X.509 a python plugin with gridmap - allow in browser identification
  - Federation forwards signed URLs to authenticated users (signatures last 1h)
- Adding support for gsiftp - work in progress
- Introduction by Alastair: `https://indico.cern.ch/event/602119/`

Status of DynaFed in Italy

- Endpoint: `https://atlas-dynafed.roma1.infn.it/infn/`
- DDM Endpoint:
- Setup:
  - Frascati, Napoli and Roma DPM production storages
  - S3/WebDav test storage area in Roma (160TB)
- Testing Plans:
  - Complete the endpoint commissioning and attach it to a new Panda Site
  - Test the performance and scalability of the DynaFed setup with real jobs
  - Compare the performance of the same analysis, at different concurrency levels

Status of DynaFed at UVic

- Endpoint: `https://dynafed.heprc.uvic.ca/fed/`
- Setup:
    - DynaFed running on SL6 VM
    - Compute Canada S3 storage
- Developing integration with Belle-II/DIRAC
- Will add UVic DynaFed to IAAS Panda Queue using CERN example as graft

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- In object stores directories/collections do not exist
- MKCOL not implemented in federation

Solution: Directories/Collections

- Rucio: Resolve DynaFed and WebDAV standard behaviour:
  - Flag HTTP resources that do not implement full WebDAV standard
  - Until flag supported in Rucio and AGIS relying on hack in Rucio
- DynaFed: Create union of WebDAV standard and object store behaviour in DynaFed: LCGDM-2373
- *Note*: Avoid combining writable WebDAV and object stores in a DynaFed for now

Problem: Moving Data to DynaFed

- DynaFed is HTTP only (no gsiftp)
- Protocol mismatch when trying to copy input datasets for AFT/PFT to DynaFed
- Alastair is implementing gsiftp support at RAL
- 70% of DDMEndpoints support HTTP/DAV why is this a problem?

Plans and Goals

1. Replication rules from any grid storage to and from dynafed
2. Get jobs running which read from EOS and write to DynaFed
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Big Picture

This could allow us to implement tactical storage transparently for PanDA and Rucio