GLOBUSONLINE OVERVIEW

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WHAT IS GLOBUSONLINE (GO)?

- GO is a Software-as-a-Service facility to provide file transfer functionality.
- It will do a third-party transfer on your behalf:
 - Performs transfers of files
 - Retries in case of failures
 - Optimizes gridftp parameters for transfer
 - Concurrency
 - Threading
 - Pipelining
 - Provides CLI, Rest API, WEB UI
 - Handles certificate via MyProxy servers or uses your proxy certificate
 - Provides user support

WHY DO WE(OSG) CARE?

- Big VOs, with dedicated storage and staff, have their own transfer services (FTS, PhedEx, SAM-Grid, ...)
- A VO that relies on OSG public storage encounters common problems:
 - 1. What SE is available for my VO?
 - 2. How much space can I use?
 - 3. What is the most efficient way to transfer significant amount of data (GBs TBs) from on site to another?
 - 4. What is the best way to handle errors and retires?
 - 5. How to monitor the transfer progress?
- GO may help us with #3-5

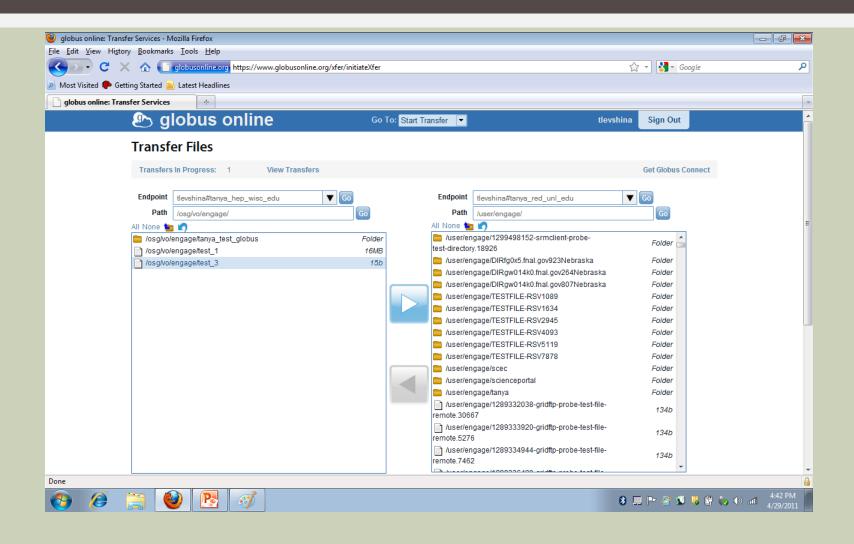
GO GLOSSARY

- EndPoints
 - Logical Name
 - Transfer servers
 - Activation Status
 - MyProxy Server
- Transfer Task
 - Task ID
 - Status
 - Start Time
 - End Time
 - Event Log
 - Sync level
 - Subtasks List
 - Subtask ID
 - Status
 - Start Time
 - End Time
 - Event Log

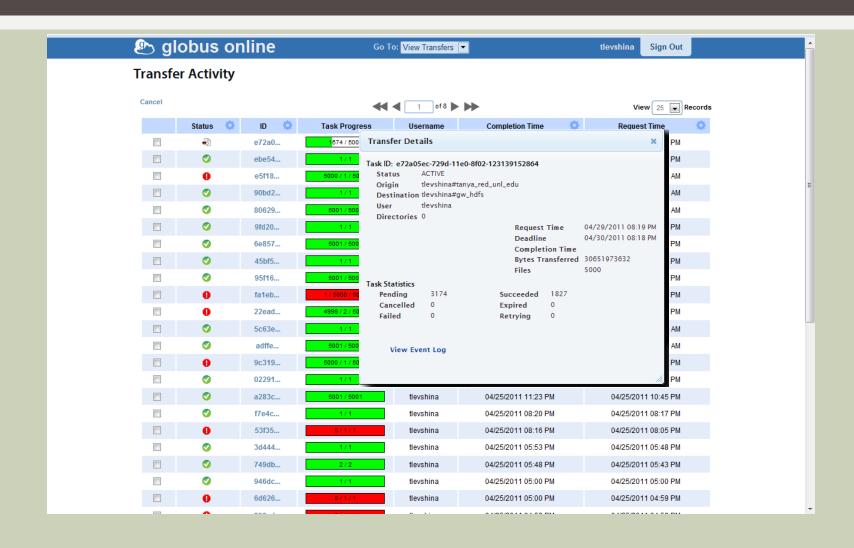
HOW CAN I USE IT?

- Sunny day scenario:
 - Storage Admin:
 - Creates public endpoints that work for your VO
 - User
 - Prepares the list of files you want to transfer from A to B
 - Gets proxy certificate and activate endpoint with your proxy or use myProxy server
 - Initializes the transfer using UI, CLI or Rest API
 - Monitors the progress of transfer
 - Gets notification when job succeeded

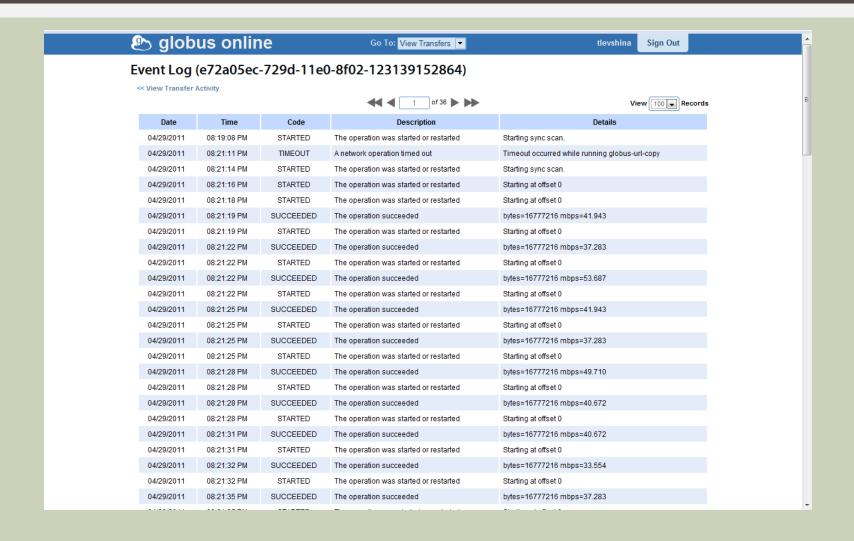
TRANSFER WEB UI



WEB MONITORING (I)



WEB MONITORING (II)



GO CLI

- Requirements (available in OSG Client):
 - grid-proxy-init
 - gssish
- Create/modify/activate/list endpoint

\$ gsissh -t tlevshina@cli.globusonline.org endpoint-list go#ep1 20:40:53 162:35:31 gw_hdfs hep_wisc_edu_1 89:53:38 tanya_hep_wisc_edu 89:53:38 tanya_red_unl_edu 190:11:12 \$ gsissh -t tlevshina@cli.globusonline.org endpoint-list -v tanya_red_unl_edu : tanya_red_unl_edu : gsiftp://red-gridftp1.unl.edu:2811 Host(s) Subject(s) : MyProxy Server : n/a Credential Status: ACTIVE Credential Expires: 2011-05-07 20:17:26Z Credential Subject: /DC=org/DC=doegrids/OU=People/CN=Tanya Levshina

List directories and files

gsissh -t tlevshina@cli.globusonline.org Is tanya_red_unl_edu:/user/engage/tanya_test_ftp_1

File copy (scp)

Get status and transfer details

508821/CN=614089312/CN=383514127

\$ gsissh -t tlevshina@cli.globusonline.org status c8c776ba-72ad-11e0-aa60-1231380e306c Task ID : c8c776ba-72ad-11e0-aa60-1231380e306c Request Time: 2011-04-29 22:12:34Z

Command : scp tanya_red_unl_edu:/user/engage/tanya_test_ftp_1 tanya_hep_wisc_edu:/osg/vo/engage/test_1

Status : SUCCEEDED

- Access to event logs
- File Transfer
 - Read EOF or CNTRL-D terminated list (can specify sync level)
 - Can set expiration time

REST API

- Python and Java API is available, not too difficult use Rest API with PERL
- Good documentation
- Easy to integrate with existing code
 - Integrated and tested with DES workflow during two days of integration-fest at Fermilab
- Access to more detailed information about transfer status and event
- Adequate support
- Requirements:
 - Python 2.6 or higher

TESTS RESULTS

DES

- **31,000 files**
- **184 GB**
- 27% improvement in transfer time
- DES workflow requires simple transfer verification (file length comparison after transfer). So, total transfer and verification time was similar to the time of original workflow.

LIGO emulation

- 5,000 files
- 16MB each (78GB)
- GridFTP servers on top of HDFS
- Average transfer time between Nebraska and Wisconsin is slightly better then transfer time shown by LIGO tests with multiple srm-copy commands with concurrency 5

ISSUES

- Number of retries per file is not supported. Only expiration time can be specified.
- SRM is not supported, have to explicitly list all grdiftp servers you want to use. GO gidftp-servers load balancing could interfere with SRM load balancing.
- Do not distinguish between "FATAL" and intermittent errors during file transfer: continue retries in case of FATAL error.
 - Several OSG SEs uses HDFS that doesn't allow "seek" operation, so any attempt to retransmit data in case of failure with offset >0 fails.
- GO does not provide interfaces to do verification (get stats) of a list of files.
- Some features are missing from API (for example: activation with certificate).
- Doesn't provide space accounting.

HOW CAN IT BE USED IN THE OSG ENVIROMENT?

- In order to use OSG public storage we need to:
 - Discover what OSG SEs support a specific VO (discovery tools can do it).
 - Use pigeon tools to verify that SE is working for this VO.
 - Use GO CLI or Rest API to dynamically create endpoints.
 - Prepare list of files or directories for transfer.
 - Use GO CLI or Rest API to initiate transfer.
 - Use GO CLI, Rest API or WEB UI to monitor and check status.
- Still missing:
 - Accurate account of space utilization and availability.

IF YOU WANT TO TRY IT NOW...

- Register with GO
- Generate proxy certificate voms-proxy-init
- Create your own endpoints for the sites that are working for you (e.g. Nebraska and Wisconsin)

endpoint-create

Configure them with grdiftp servers.

endpoint-add, endpoint-activate

Tip: Use discovery tools to find gridftp servers for the site:

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$ get_gridftp_storage_element_id --vo Engage --show_site_name | grep -i Nebraska Nebraska red-srm1.unl.edu
$ get_gridftp_url --vo Engage --storage_element_id red-srm1.unl.edu
gsiftp://red-gridftp1.unl.edu:2811/mnt/hadoop/user/engage/TESTFILE
```

■ Test:

ls scp

- Need help?
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