



GLIF Control Plane WG Meeting Update

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Why is the Control Plane important to GLIF?

Today

- End-to-end Optical connections between two laboratories across the Globe:**
- takes “lots of phone calls”
 - takes “lots of emails”
 - tens of people
 - connection becomes relatively static
 - over three weeks!!!!
 - Failed link may result in days of out-of service



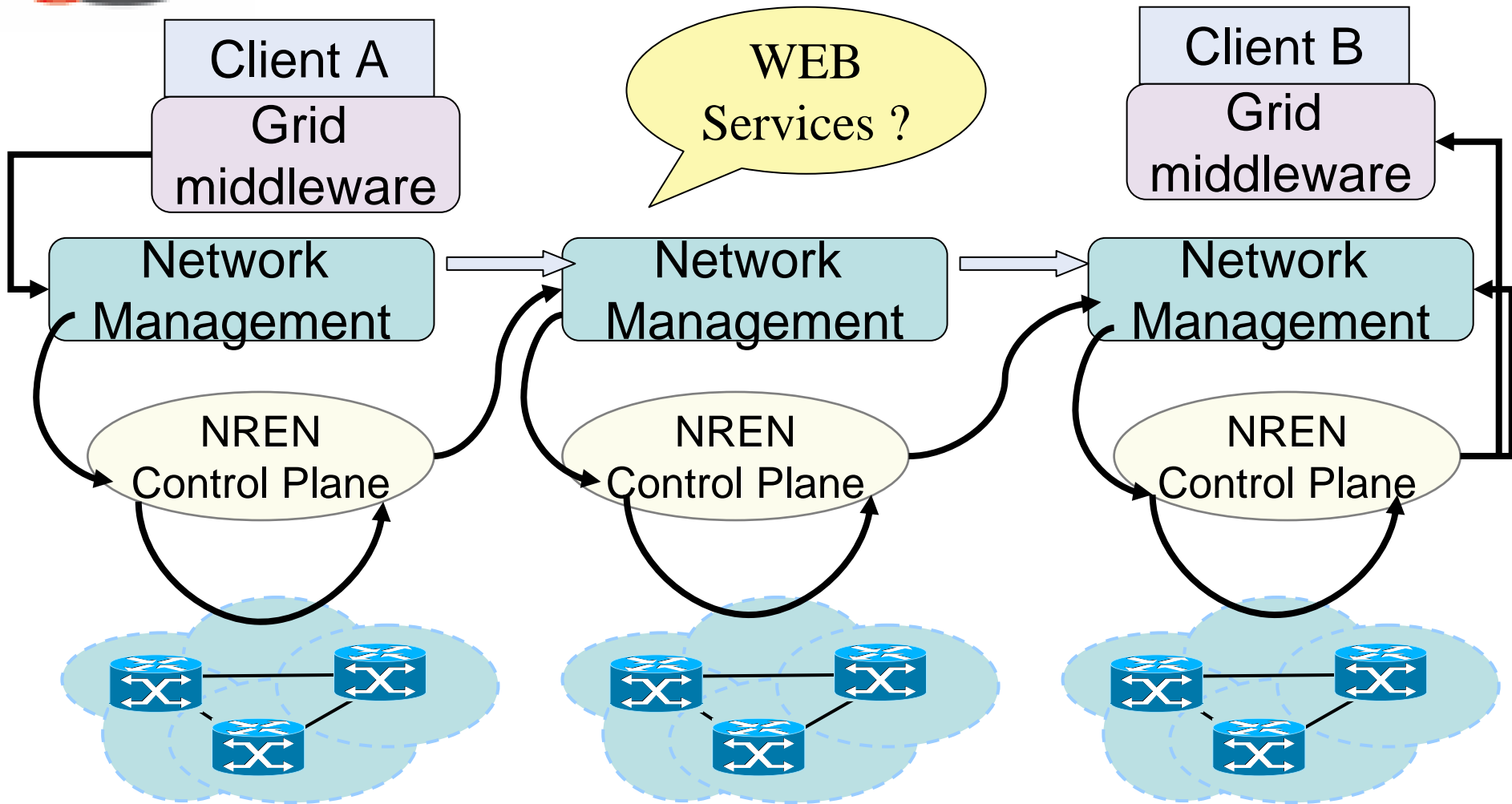
We want to...

- applications/sensors/end-users/instruments to initiate an end-to-end connection
- Resources for short periods of time or long depending on application
- We want automatic recovery - restoration/protection

- How do we as a community go from where we are today to what we really want?
- We need to use the Morphnet concept in the GLIF community....
(Part of the infrastructure for vertical integration research and other part as production)



GLIF Automation?





Control Plane Challenges For GLIF Migrating towards Automation....

Taking one baby step at a time ...

- **CIM - Common Information Base - translation of repository to machine based**
- **Common Services repository**
- **WEB services based services towards automation**
- **Translation of administrative policy to low-level policy for automation**
- **Scheduling services**
- **Automated Testing and monitoring**
- **Control plane protocols (GMPLS, SIP, OBS)**
- **Policy and Security**
- **Interdomain routing**



GLIF Control Plane and Grid Middleware Integration

Mission: To agree on the interfaces and protocols to automate and use the control planes of the contributed Lambda resources to help users on a global scale access optical resources on-demand or pre scheduled.

several key areas we need to focus on:

- Define and understand real operational scenarios
- Defining a set of basic/common services:
 - Precise definitions
 - Developing semantics the whole community agrees to for machine to machine communications
- Interdomain exchange of information for both control planes and management planes
 - Determine what information needs to be monitored
 - How to abstract monitored information to share
- Determine what existing standards are useful vs. where Grid requirements are unique and new services and concepts are required
 - How do we standardize mechanisms and protocols that are unique to the Grid community
- Define a Grid control plane architecture
- Work closely with E-science applications to provide vertical integration



Last meeting

- iGrid 2005 San Diego, Ca 9/30/05
- Joint session w/ Tech group
 - Explored means of collecting and administrating GLIF repository
 - Repository - three talks
 - Steve Wallace - DNS approach
 - Greg Cole - database and maps
 - Jeroen van der Ham - RDF meta-data approach
- Afternoon Control Plane working group session
 - Focus was on defining Common Service definitions and monitoring and testing for verification of services.
 - We also explored SOA as a means for automation



Session Talks

- **Common Service Definitions** - Jerry Sobieski
 - Common Service Definition that describes what a service should deliver detailed parameters, ie.
 - The same model should be used by users to indicate what they have received - verify service
- **UCLP and SOA** - Bill St. Arnaud
 - UCLP web services allows end users to self provision and dynamically reconfigure optical networks
 - Service Oriented Architecture, (SOA) :
 - Utilizing a concept known as Google Mash-ups
- **Testing and Monitoring** - Matt Zekauskas
 - For end-2-end connections
 - Some requirements for verification
 - Automation



ACTIONS

- Three task teams:
 - 1) Repository task team
 - 2) Common Service Definitions task team - Meet at SC05
 - 3) Management vs. Control plane white paper task team
- Update and work closely with GGF's ghnp group
- Progress report will be circulated in 2 months