

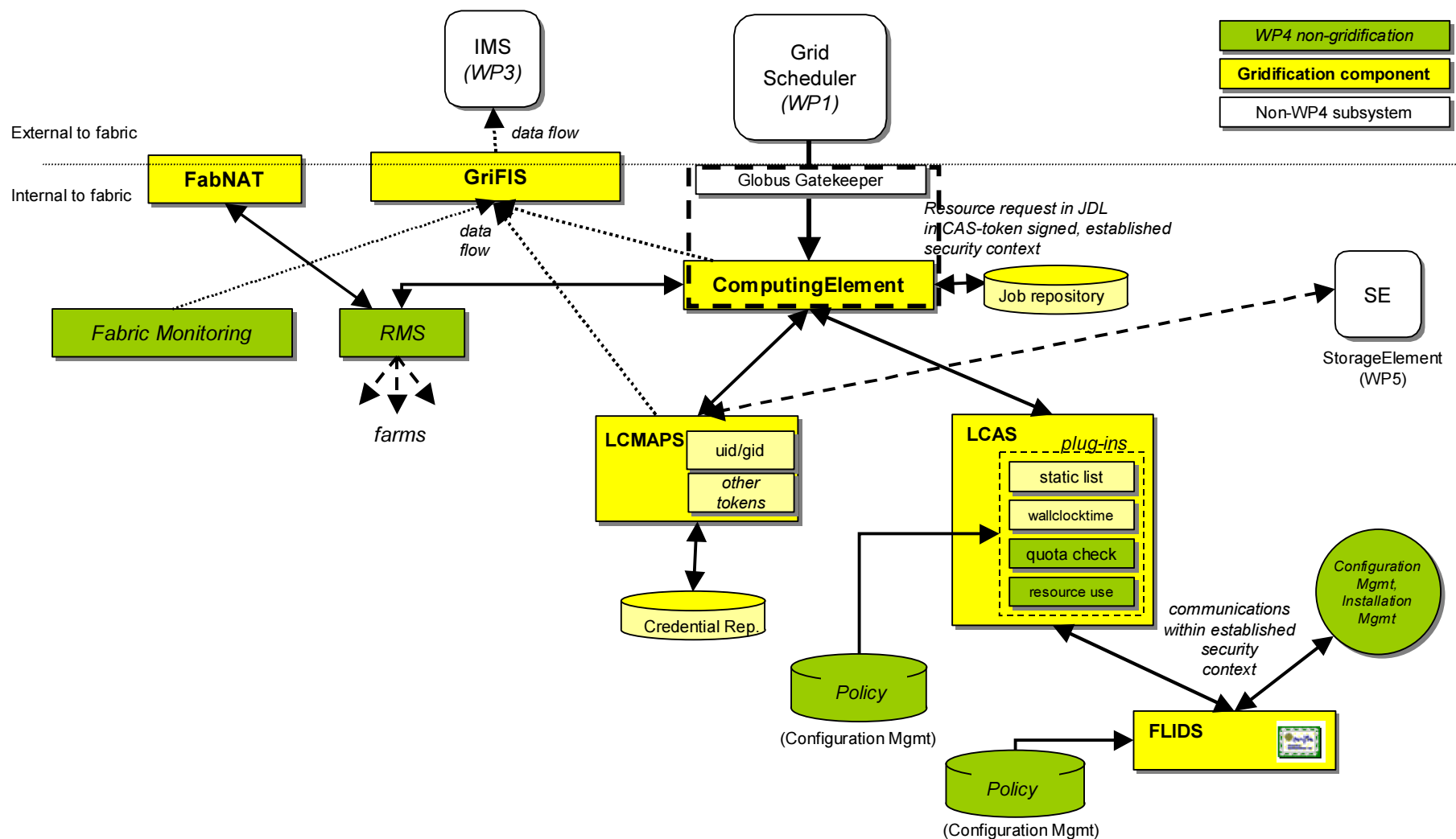
WP4 Gridification

Subsystem overlap & existing systems

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WP4 Subsystems and relationships (D4.2)



Job submission protocol & interface

◆ Current Globus design

- Client tools connect to gatekeeper
- GRAM (attributes over HTTPS)
- Gatekeeper does authentication, authorization *and* user mapping
- RSL passed to JobManager

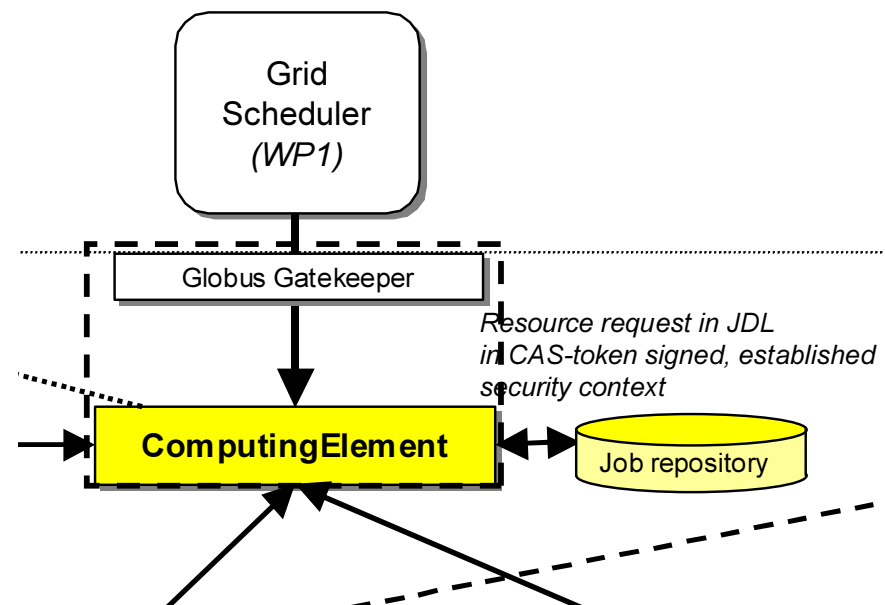
◆ Identified design differences

- authorization and user mapping done too early in process

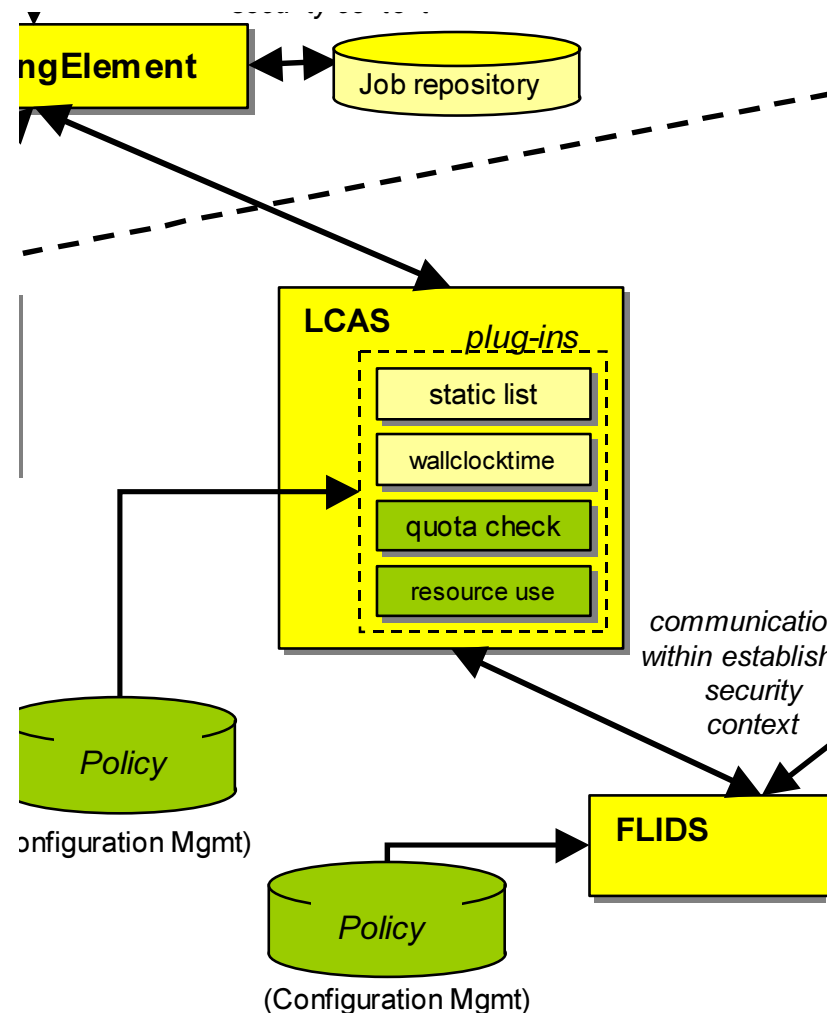
◆ Identical components

- Protocol must stay the same (GRAM)
- Separation of JobManager (closer to RMS) and GateKeeper will remain

◆ Issue: scalability problems with many jobs within one centre (N jobmanagers)

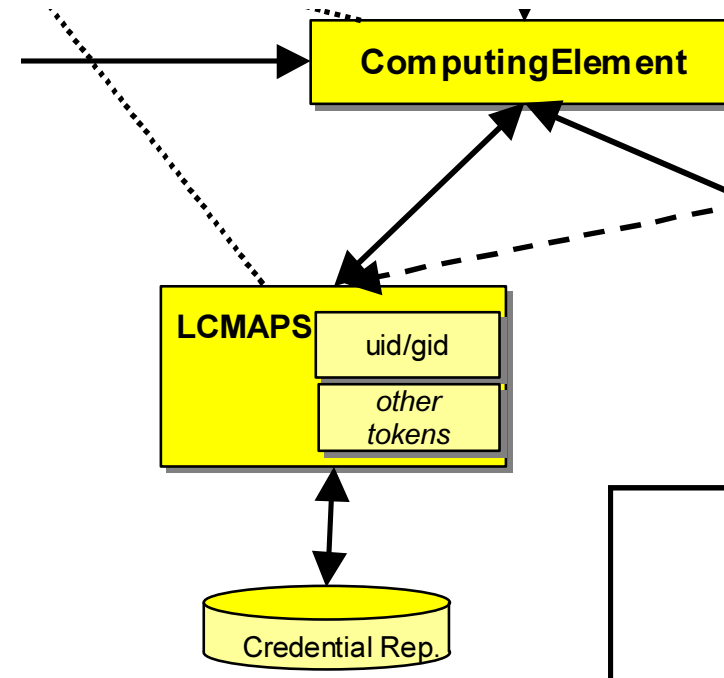


- ◆ Current Globus design:
 - Authorization and user mapping are intermingled
 - No scalable/dynamic per-site Authorization in Globus
- ◆ Identified design points
 - new design, taking concepts from generic AAA architectures
 - coordination with EDG security group
- ◆ Identical components
 - generic AAA architectures/servers
 - distributed AAA decisions/brokering
 - generic policy languages



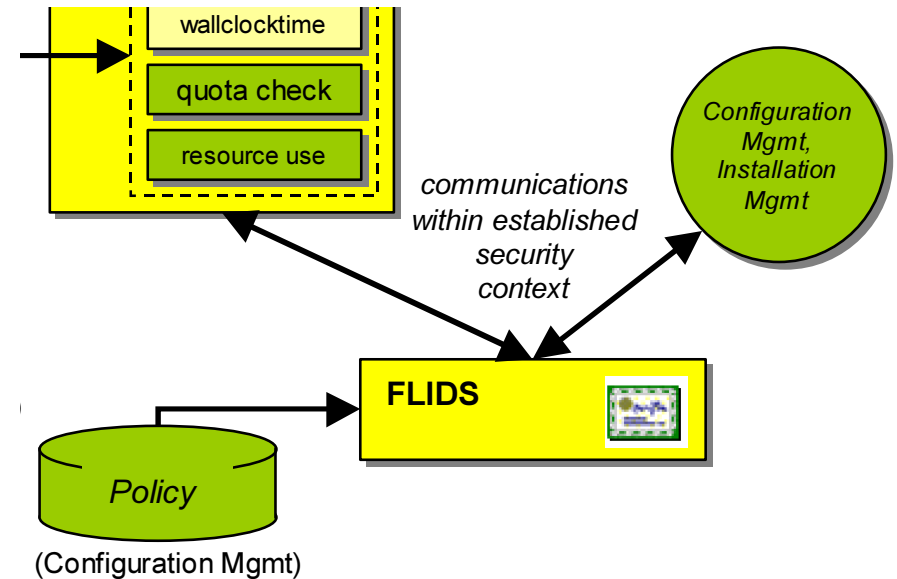
Credential Mapping

- ◆ Current Globus design:
 - Authorization and user mapping are intermingled
 - Currently by GateKeeper (on connection establishment)
 - Kerberos by external service (sslk5)
- ◆ Identified design points
 - Extend for multiple credential types
 - move to later in the process (after AAA decision)
- ◆ Identical components
 - gridmapdir patch by Andrew McNab
 - sslk5/k5cert service
- ◆ Issues in current design
 - mapping may be expensive (updating password files, NIS, LDAP, etc.)



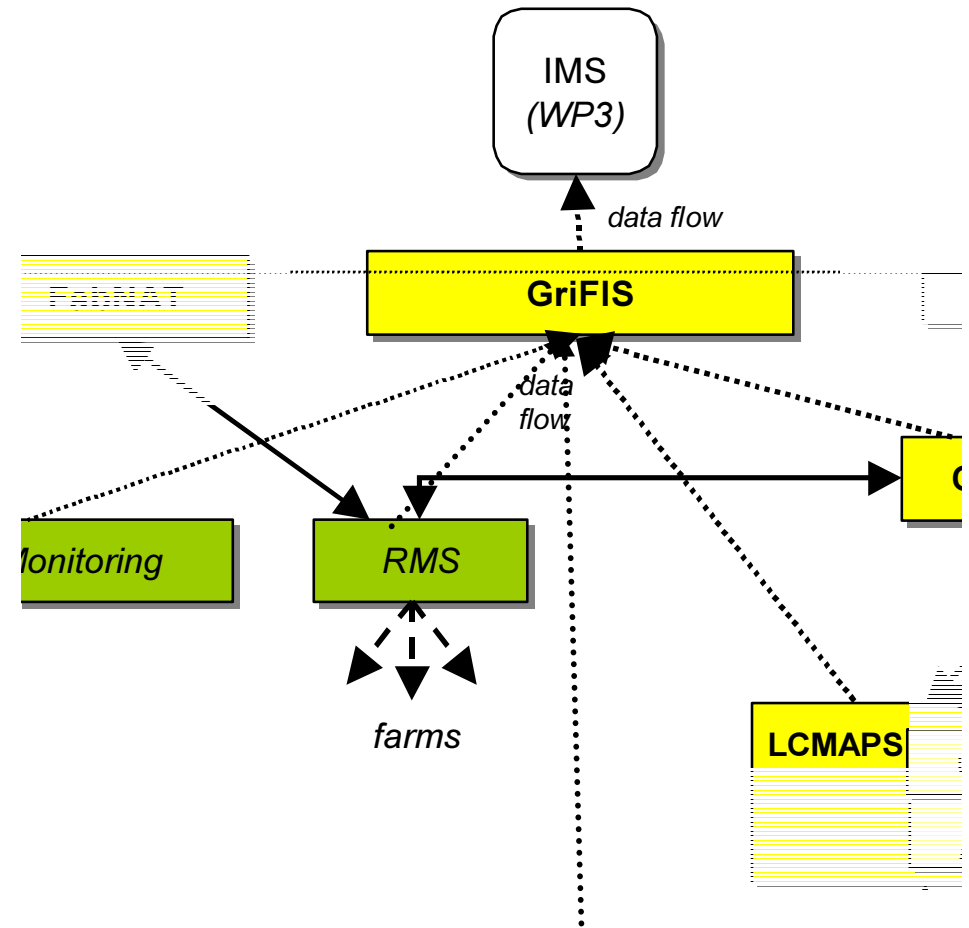
Local security service (FLIDS)

- ◆ Current Globus design:
 - Component does not exist
 - Technology ubiquitous (X.509 PKI)
- ◆ Identified design points
 - Policy driven automatic service
 - policy language design (based on generic policy language or EACLs)
- ◆ Identical components
 - PKI X.509 technology (OpenSSL)
 - use by GSI and HTTPS
- ◆ Issues:
 - mainly useful in untrusted environments (e.g., outside a locked computer centre)



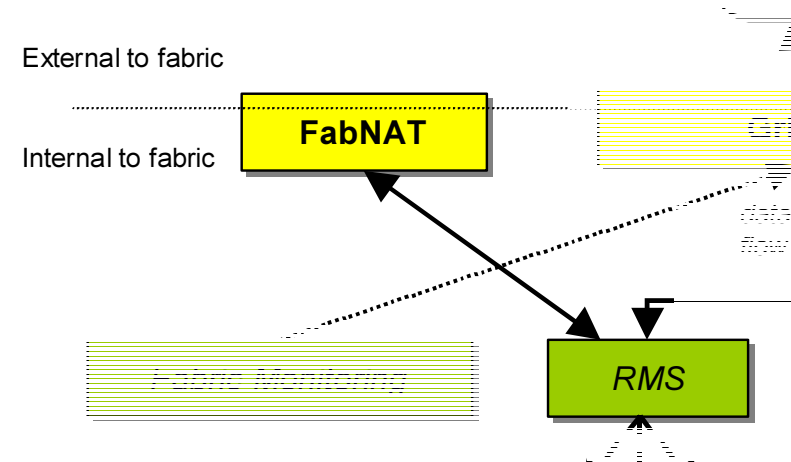
Information Services (GriFIS)

- ◆ Current Globus design:
 - GIS: LDAP based with caching backend
 - Modular information providers
- ◆ Identified design points
 - Many more information providers (CDB)
 - Correlators between RMS, Monitoring and CDB (internal WP4 components)
- ◆ Identical components
 - GIS or EDG equivalent (GMA/R-GMA)
 - Some of the information providers
- ◆ Issues in current design
 - Evaluation of WP3 framework still in progress
 - Wide variety of frameworks in general, but all seem currently interchangeable



Network access to large fabrics

- ◆ Current Globus design
 - Is not in scope of Globus toolkit
- ◆ Identified design differences
 - Needed component for large farms
 - Needed for bandwidth brokering and user/job based QoS
- ◆ Identical components
 - 0st order: no functionality
 - 1st order: IP Masquerading routers
 - 2nd order: IP Masq & protocol translation (IPv6 → IPv4 and v.v.)
 - use of intelligent edge devices, managed bandwidth (and connections) per job, AAA interaction (with LCAS)





Key overlaps & differences

- ◆ Globus provides adequate prototypes for much of the functionality
- ◆ **Lacking components**
 - Generic and distributed AAA
 - too-early relinquishing of credential mapping capabilities in gatekeeper
 - does not address intra-fabric security concerns (FLIdS)
 - information providers for whatever the framework will be
 - managed network access
- ◆ **Key components to be compatible**
 - GRAM protocol & RSL forwarding [Globus]
 - Information framework (GIS, GMA, R-GMA, ...) [Globus and EDG WP3]
 - Security methods and protocols (X.509, SSL, ...)