

gLite Training @ htw.

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Best use Linux desktop!

*Find the slides in [grid-lab00\[2,3\].desy.de:/home/common/
http://www.desy.de/~kemp/htw_course.pdf](http://grid-lab00[2,3].desy.de:/home/common/http://www.desy.de/~kemp/htw_course.pdf)*

Today's Task: The Physics Analysis

> Background

- Velocity of particles in an ideal gas obeys a certain law:
- Maxwell-Boltzmann distribution

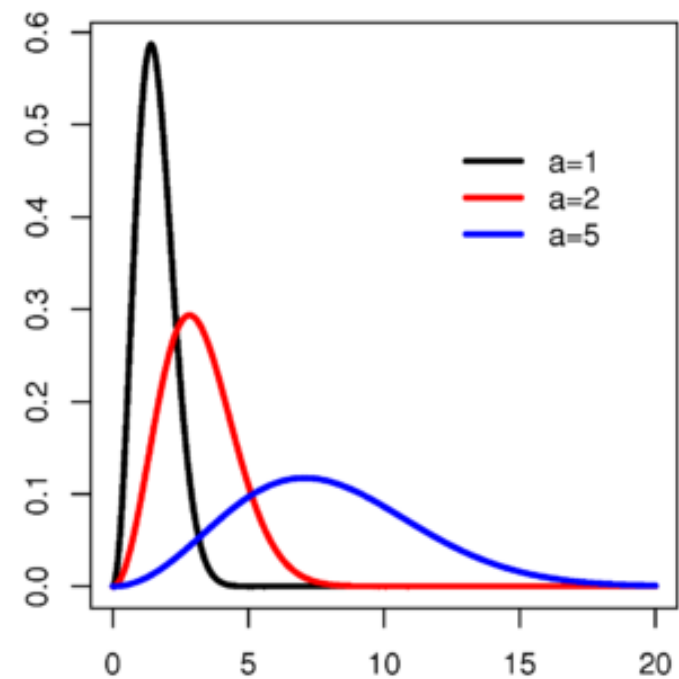
> Question

- If particle N has velocity larger than mean, is it more probable for particle (N+1) to have a velocity below mean or above mean?

> Use a Monte-Carlo generator

- Instead of performing experiment
- Use Grid jobs for computation
- Download files and do analysis
- On your PC, with system tools

$$f(v) = 4\pi \left(\frac{m}{2\pi kT} \right)^{3/2} v^2 \exp \left[\frac{-mv^2}{2kT} \right]$$



- > **Monte-Carlo executable already exists**
 - You find it in \$HOME/job/MaxBol
 - Has a bug: Sometimes goes into infinite loop: Needs watchdog
- > **One Grid job**
 - Handles autonomously all (foreseen...) problems
 - \$HOME/job/script.sh
 - Is / should be somewhat robust against failures
- > **Send many jobs to the Grid**
 - Has been done for you over the weekend
 - We can send one more job, your task will be to retrieve the output
- > **Data is stored on the Grid**
 - You have to retrieve the data files to your / course computer
 - And do the analysis
- > **We will try to do the analysis with normal utilites: grep, sed, awk, ...**
 - ... and in the meantime learn something about the Grid, Physics and Statistics:-)



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> Login Information:

- User Interface (UI) available:
 - grid-lab00[2,3].desy.de (accessible only via htw network)
 - Please use your own account information to log in via
- SSH:
 - `ssh <username>@grid-lab00[2,3].desy.de`
 - Check with your neighbour and alternate machines.

> Only two computers, please do not waste resources!

> Why no local computer?

- Installation experience at DESY
- Easiest with special OS:
- ScientificLinux (Recompilation of RedHat Enterprise Server)
 - Not available at htw
- In theory, you can use any computer with any OS (well, Linux...), even your laptop



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Who am I? What can I do?

- > For access to resources, two questions are of importance:
- > “Who am I?” (authentication)
 - The certificate answers this
 - The Certification Authority confirms this
- > “What can I do?” (authorization)
 - You can do what your Virtual Organization allows you to do.
- > Comparison with “real life”



Authentication:
Passport



Authorization:
Visa

- Only the combination of Passport & Visa enables you to travel



Security: Authentication

- > *Authentication and Authorization while using resources:*
 - *VO does authorization (“What am I allowed to do?”)*
 - *Authentication through certificate and proxy (“Who am I?”)*
- > *Technical implementation: Public key, digitally signed by the Certification Authority*
 - *The CA (e.g. GridKA @ FZK) makes correspondence certificate-identity by requiring the ID card of the user*
- > *A certificate (or proxy) is required for all actions on the grid: job submission, data transfer...*
- > *Your certificate might seem anonymous, but:*
 - **Correspondence certificate-user known (one of the requirements from DECH management)**
 - **Please keep your login data private!**



- > **“What am I allowed to do?”**
 - Managed by VOMS: Virtual Organization Membership Service
- > **What is a VO? Virtual Organization?**
 - General: A collection of people working on the same subject.
 - In HEP: An experiment or collaboration
- > **VOMS: Enables a very granular authorization scheme**
 - Subgroups and different roles (e.g. /atlas/de, /zeus/Role=lcgadmin)
 - Steering at time of proxy creation
- > **Comparison**
 - Real life: Passport -> Certificate
 - Real life: Country -> VO
 - Real life: Duties/Rights -> VOMS



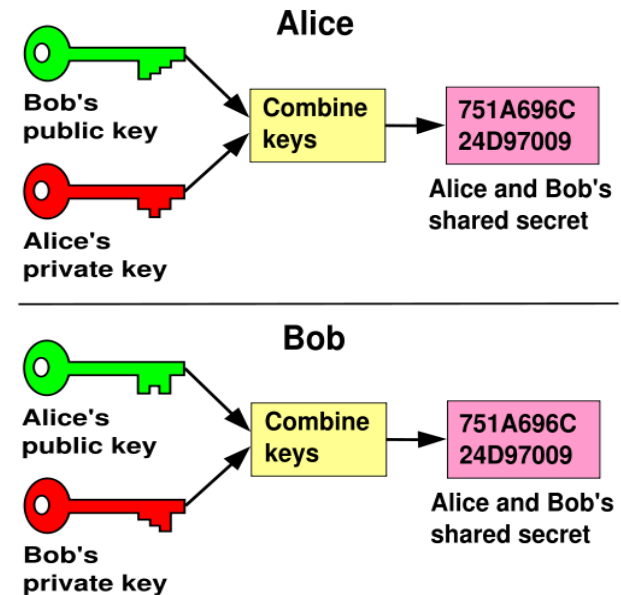
Security - Certificates

> Certificates located on UI: `$HOME/.globus/`

- `ls -la ~/.globus`

> Each user has two files:

- `usercert.pem`
 - Public key, everyone can read it.
 - File permissions: `--rw--r--r` or `644`
- `userkey.pem`
 - Private key, only owner should read it.
 - File permissions: `--rw-----` or `600`



> Certificate are digital identity:

- Working on the Grid
- Signing Emails
- Authentication through browser
- Different formats might be needed, all equivalent



Security - Authentication

> Certificate

- Valid for (usually) one year, valuable, must be protected w. password

> The authentication in the Grid is done by a short-living **proxy** created with your certificate:

- Make a new grid-proxy:
 - `voms-proxy-init [-voms dech] [-valid hh:mm] [-vomslife hh:mm]`
 - Enter your GRID passphrase.
 - You can specify the VO during proxy creation
 - For long jobs you may need to change the proxy lifetime using e.g. the '-valid 24:00' option for a lifetime of one day.
 - The lifetime of the VOMS extension can be adapted separately
- Check the status of your proxy:
 - `voms-proxy-info [-all]`
 - (try different proxies with/wo VOMS)
- Delete your proxy:
 - `voms-proxy-destroy`
- What happens when you do?
 - `voms-proxy-init -voms dech:/dech/Role=lcgadmin`
 - `voms-proxy-init -voms atlas`



Security - Authentication

- > Not every user is allowed to do everything on the grid.
- > Therefore a grid-proxy can be created with different **roles**.
- > An important role is the LCG administrator. He/she is allowed to install software on the CEs
 - `voms-proxy-init -voms dech:/dech/Role=lcgadmin`
- > The different privileges are connected with a different account mapping on the local resource
 - Different account mappings enable different access to local resources at site level (file permissions, batch queue share,...)
- > The user mapping on a CE/WN can be explored by the command `whoami`
 - Without special role: `dechusrXXX`
 - As LCG administrator: `dechsgmXXX`
 - (examples from DESY CE, other sites might be different)
 - Try e.g. `globus-job-run grid-ce5.desy.de /usr/bin/id`



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Data Management - Overview

> A file on the grid:

- can be written, copied or deleted but **not** changed
 - Tribute to underlying Storage Elements that might have the file on tape
- has a global unique identifier (**GUID**)
 - e.g. guid:62bb0006-aaa2-4792-ae73-e282aef3bed1
- can have several replicas at different sites, each having a different physical file name (**PFN/SFN**)
 - e.g. sfn://se-fzk.gridka.de/storage/dech/generated/2006-09-11/filedeab4811-0e1f-4439-bffa-4efc46f40b82
- can be given several logical file names (**LFN**) by the user
 - e.g. lfn:/grid/dech/tarballs/dag.tar
- This information is stored in the LCG file catalogue (**LFC**).



Data Management - LFC

> Where is the LCG File Catalog located?

- `lcg-infosites --vo dech lfc`
 - In our case: `rb.scai.fraunhofer.de`
- `export LFC_HOST=rb.scai.fraunhofer.de`
 - `$LFC_HOST` may already be set on UIs (not on WNs)
 - Usually set this yourself
- (Set variable anyhow, even if `lcg-infosites` does not return result...)

> Data management: creating directories and show contents

- List the existing files and directories, e.g.:
 - `lfc-ls -l /grid/dech`
 - `-l` gives more information like the file size in the catalogue
- Create your own directory in the LFC (if not yet there):
 - `lfc-mkdir /grid/dech/htw/$USER`
 - (Please use the subdirectory ...htw...)
- Already directory and files in there, do not delete them, we will need them later

> Hints:

- **More on `lcg-infosites` commands late**
- **All catalogue operations must have `LFC_HOST` set**
- **Spelling of `fraunhofer`:-)**



Data Management - Storage

- > **"How to store a file on the grid?" rises two questions:**
 - **Where** should the file be stored **physically**?
 - Which **name** should be assigned to the file?
- > **Get a list of available storage elements:**
 - `lcg-infosites --vo dech se`
- > **What is the meaning of the different columns?**
- > **Some SEs might not work, for different reasons...**
- > **Make your own experience:-)))**



Data Management - Storage

> Most file handling commands begin with **lcg-**

> Copy a file to a SE:

- (example of input file: /bin/bash :-))
- Choose an SE
- `lcg-cr --vo dech -v -d dcache-se-desy.desy.de \`
`file:/bin/bash \`
`-l lfn:/grid/dech/htw/$USER/testfile0`
- → The `-v` option displays verbose output like used LFC, GUID, etc.

> Where is this file now?

- `lcg-lr --vo dech lfn:/grid/dech/htw/$USER/ \`
`testfile0`
 - You get the storage file name of the file: `srm://<host>/<path`

> Hints:

- “\” means long command (place this in one line)
- Is LFC_HOST set?



Data Management - Replicates

> Replicate the file to another SE:

- `lcg-rep -v --vo dech -d globe-door.ifh.de \`
`lfn:/grid/dech/htw/$USER/testfile0`

> List replicas and inspect the catalog:

- Do all the files have the same size?

> Copy the file back in your working directory:

- `lcg-cp -v --vo dech \`
`lfn:/grid/dech/htw/$USER/testfile0 \`
`file://$HOME/junk`

> Exercise: Download all the files that are registered in your /grid/.../htwNNN directory

- A small bash-for-loop might come in handy



Constructing some commands

- > **Look into the downloaded files: They contain the MC generated files from jobs (have been sent to the Grid earlier)**
- > **Opening tar archive (compressed)**
- > **Looking into tar archive**
- > **Open all the tar archives you downloaded earlier**
- > **Find all output files and put all “Randomly generated in one big file”**



Data Management - Deleting

> Cleaning up:

- Remove the file from **one** specific SE:
 - `lcg-del --vo dech -s dcache-se-desy.desy.de \ lfn:/grid/dech/htw/$USER/testfile0`
 - Check the replicas and the catalog
- Remove the file from **all** SEs:
 - `lcg-del --vo dech -a \ lfn:/grid/dech/htw/$USER/test.txt`
 - Check the replicas and the catalog
- Remove your directory in the LFC
 - `lfc-rm -r /grid/dech/htw/$USER`

> Try to remove a file in the lfc which was registered by your neighbour (with his/her consent).

> Do not delete the files that were originally there



Data Management - Commands

> LFC commands:

- `lfc-ls`
- `lfc-mkdir`
- `lfc-rm`
- `lfc-ln`
- `lfc-rename`

File commands:

`lcg-cr`
`lcg-lr`
`lcg-rep`
`lcg-cp`
`lcg-del`

> LFC commands for meta data:

- `lfc-setcomment <file> "comment"`
- `lfc-ls --comment <file>`
- `lfc-delcomment <file>`



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gLite - Job Workflow



**Author.
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**Resource
Broker (WMS)**



**LFC
Catalog**

**Information
Service**



**Job Submission
Service**



**Computing
Element**

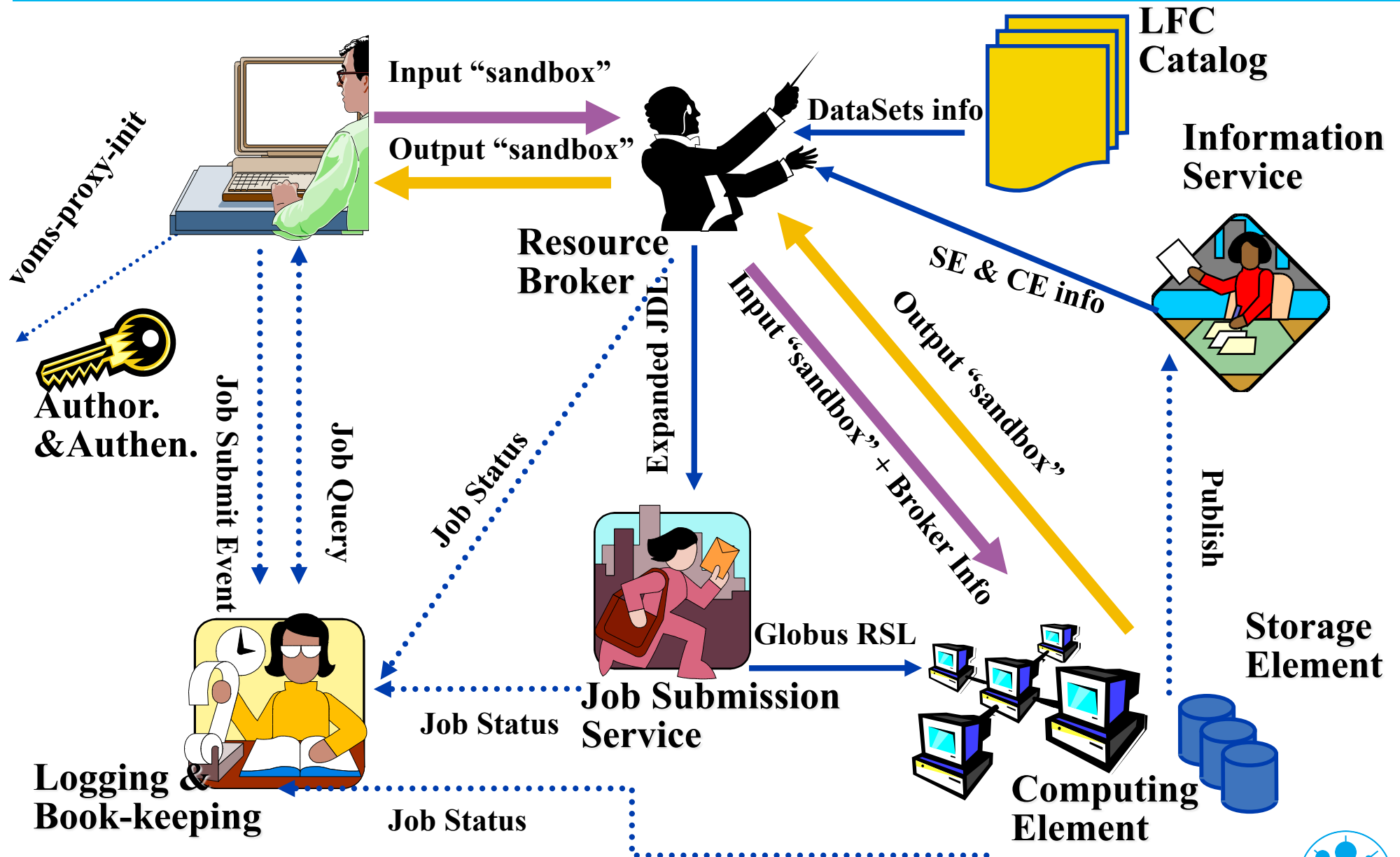


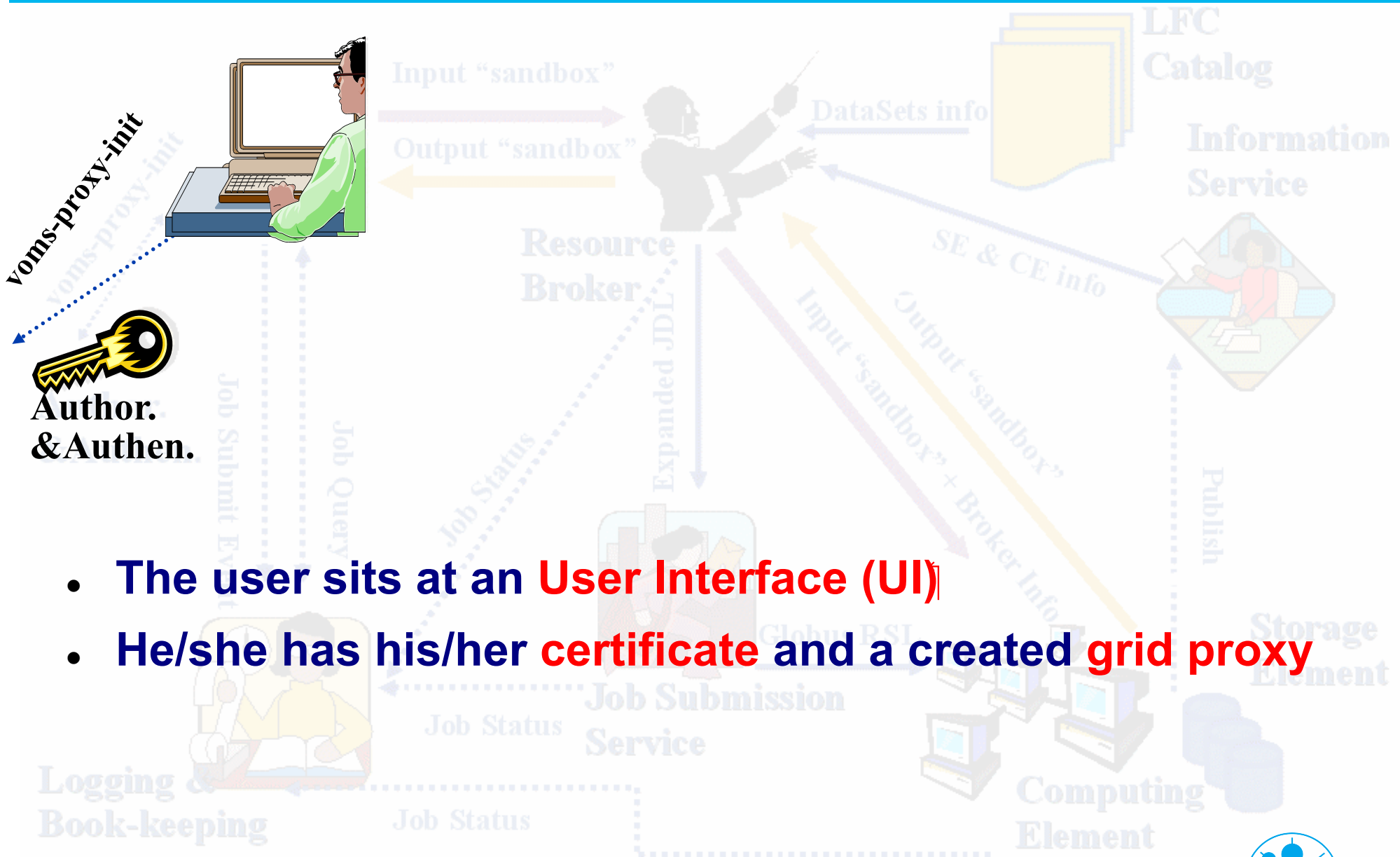
**Storage
Element**

**Logging &
Book-keeping**



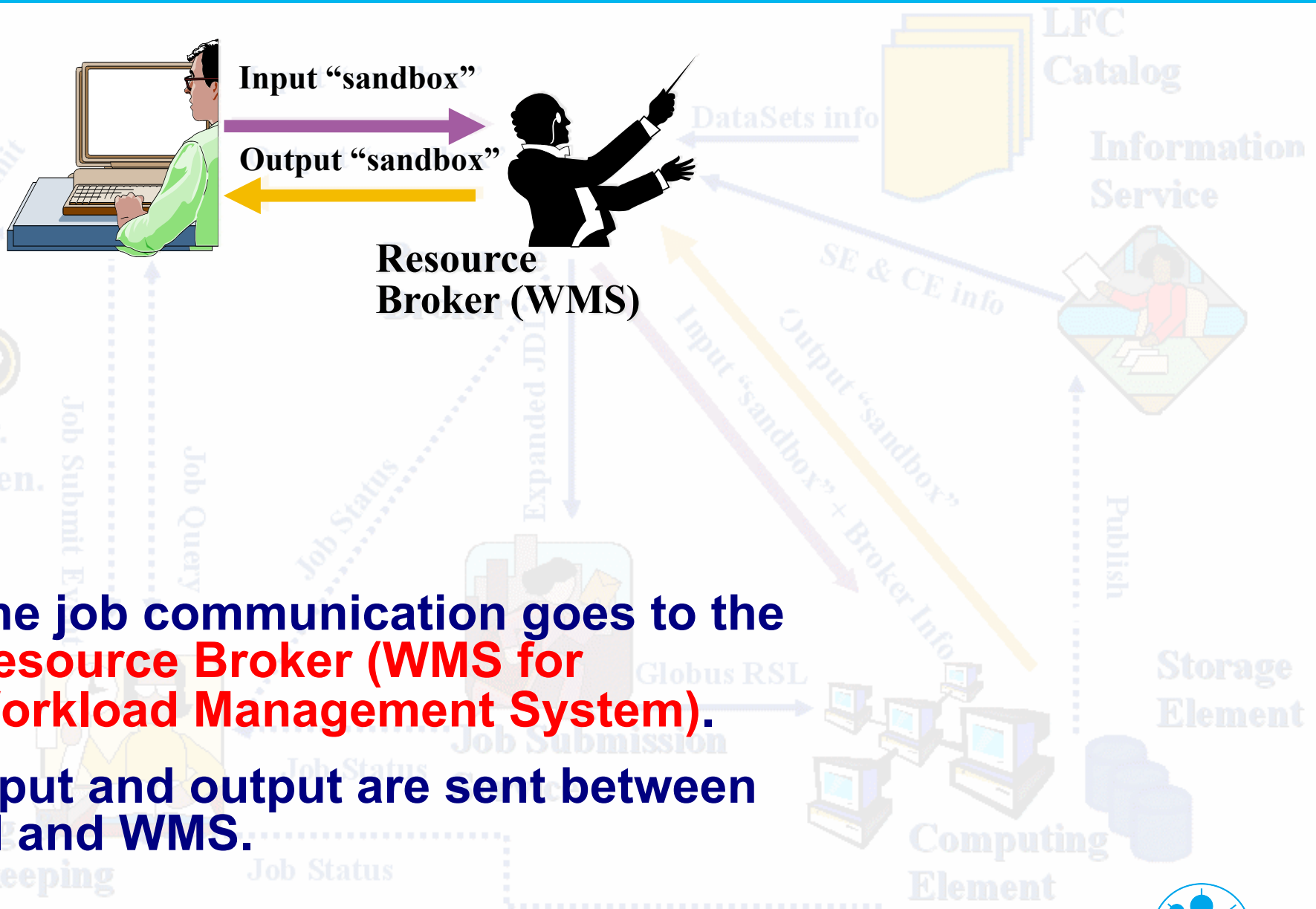
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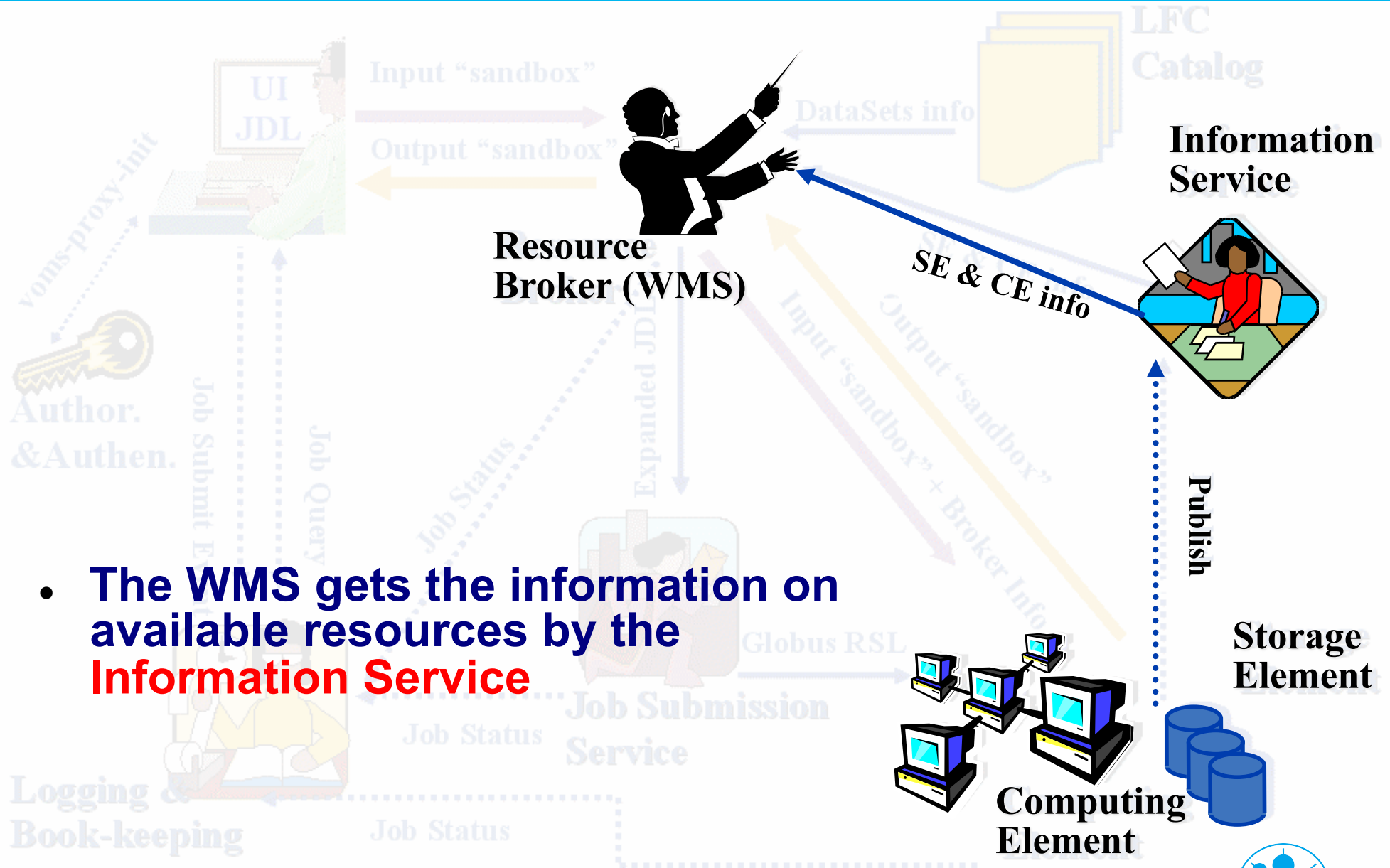
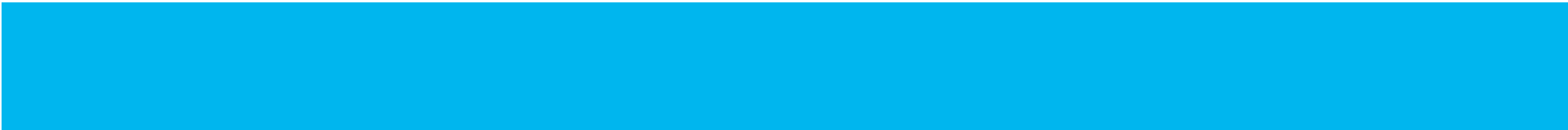
- The user sits at an **User Interface (UI)**
- He/she has his/her **certificate** and a created **grid proxy**





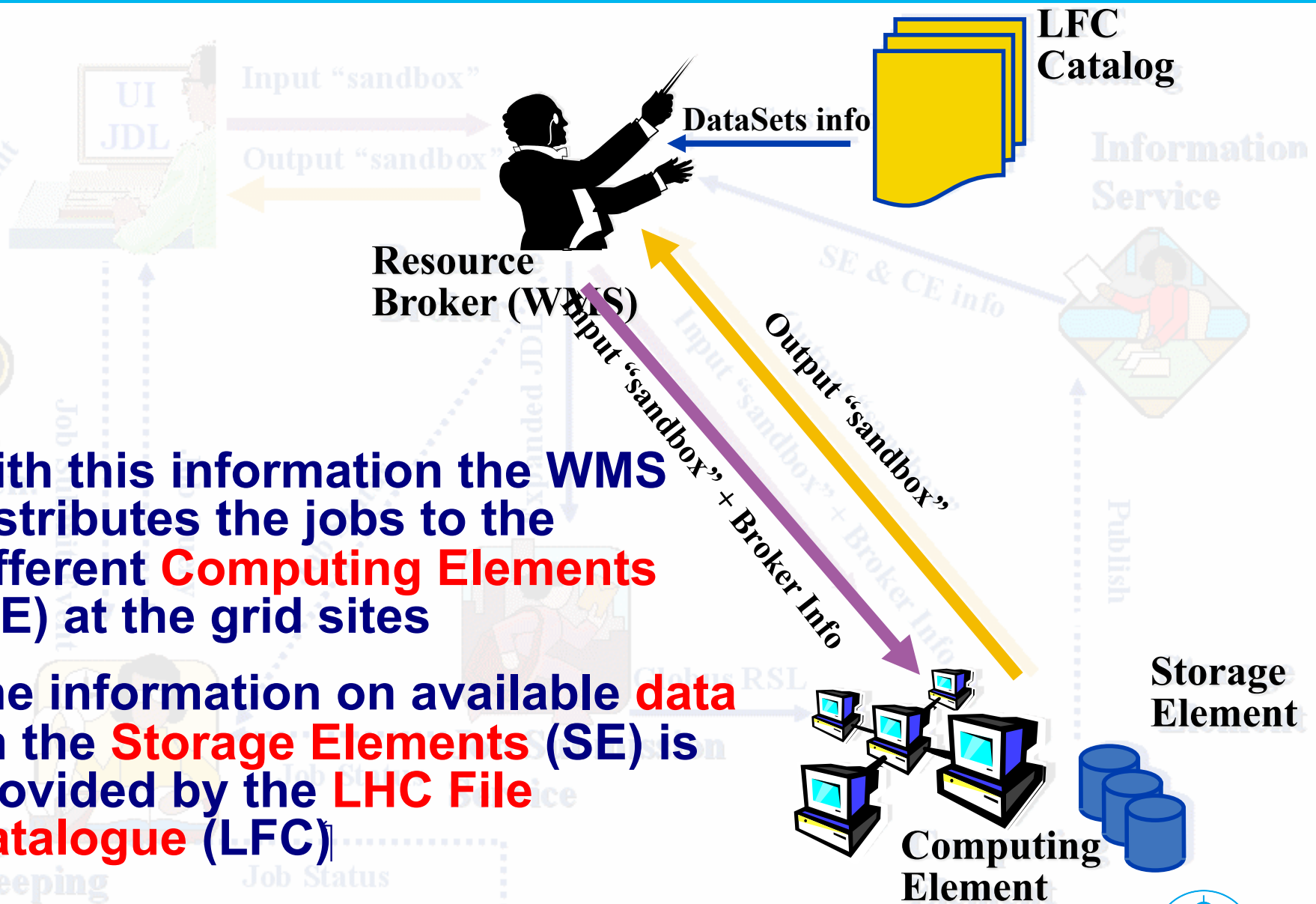
- The job communication goes to the **Resource Broker (WMS for Workload Management System)**.
- Input and output are sent between **UI and WMS**.





- **The WMS gets the information on available resources by the Information Service**





- With this information the WMS distributes the jobs to the different **Computing Elements (CE)** at the grid sites
- The information on available **data** on the **Storage Elements (SE)** is provided by the **LHC File Catalogue (LFC)**



> **The resources on the grid can be seen with**

> **lcg-infosites**

- Have a look at the available resources
`lcg-infosites --vo dech ce`
- `lcg-infosites --vo dech se`
- `lcg-infosites --vo dech wms`
- `lcg-infosites --vo dech lfc`

- Also try other VOs.
- `lcg-infosites --vo ops ce`
- `lcg-infosites --vo ops se`
- `lcg-infosites --vo lhcb lfc`



Job Description Language

- **Job Description Language (JDL)**

- The JDL is used to specify special needs of your job like necessary input-files/variables, generated output- and logging-information or requirements concerning the computing resources on remote sites.

```
Executable = "bin/script";
```

```
Arguments = "list of arguments";
```

```
StdOutput = "std.out";
```

```
StdError = "std.err";
```

```
InputSandbox = {"input", "files", ...};
```

```
OutputSandbox = {"std.out", "std.err", "output.files", ...};
```

```
VirtualOrganisation = "dech";
```

```
RetryCount = 2;
```

- In the InputSandbox wildcards can be used.
- ... or have a look at **\$HOME/job/computation.jdl** used for the MC jobs!



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Job Handling – WMS

- > **Job Handling commands begin with `glite-wms-job-`**
 - `glite-wms-job-list-match -a --rank myjob1.jdl`
 - `glite-wms-job-submit -a myjob1.jdl`
 - `glite-wms-job-submit <-r RESOURCE> -a myjob1.jdl`
 - RESOURCE is a specific CE, like
`grid-ce5.desy.de:2119/jobmanager-lcgpbs-default`
 - `glite-wms-job-submit -o JobID.txt -a myjob1.jdl`
- > **WMS stands for “Workload Management System”, and is the new name for the product previously called “Resource Broker”. I use the term “RB” instead of “WMS” to denominate the functionality, always meant is the new product “WMS”**
- > **The output of the submit-command will contain something like**
<https://grid-lb1.desy.de:9000/Cblqayj-TloubOTOvx6qlQ>
- > **You will need this JobID for other commands!**
 - Might use a JobID.txt file



Job Handling - Status

> Get the job status:

- `glite-wms-job-status [-v 1] <JobID>`
- Parameters:
 - `<JobID>` Specifies the Job URL (https...)
 - *Also via -i JobID.txt*
 - `-v <0|1|2|3>` The higher the verbosity level, the more information you get (e.g. about rescheduled jobs)
- The command can have several job ids
 - `glite-wms-job-status <job_id_1> ... <job_id_n>`
- To get information on all submitted jobs there are several options
 - `--all`
 - `--from/--to [MM:DD:]hh:mm[:[CC]YY]`
 - `--status <status>` or `--exclude <status>`



Job Handling - Output

> **In case something goes wrong, your job can be cancelled via:**

- `glite-wms-job-cancel <jobID>`

> **Get job output**

- `glite-wms-job-output <jobID>`

- **Standard output directory:**

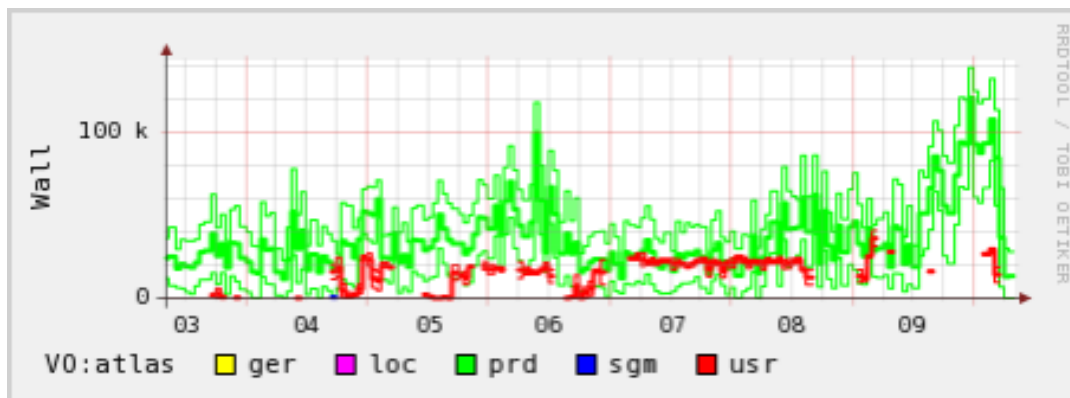
`/tmp/jobOutput/<username>_<glite_WMS_job_id>`



The “real life” example

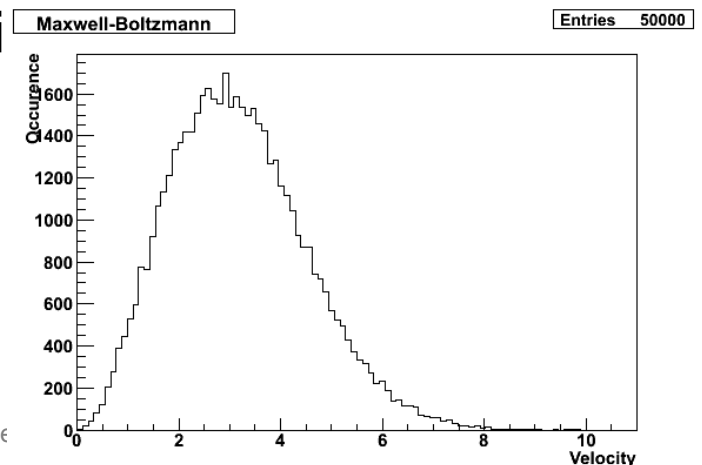
- > **Look at \$HOME**
 - computation.jdl
 - script.sh
 - timeout.sh
- > **This job takes up to a few minutes**
 - Submit the job to the Grid
- > **Rather short job, but shows how physicists work**
- > **Some jobs have been sent to the Grid already:**
 - Look at \$HOME/jobs.id

Mean Job duration on WNs (with error bands)
(Production grid-ce5, ATLAS VO) Y-Axis is seconds



The Analysis

- > **Download all data files (Already done previously)**
- > **Get the values you are interested in (e.g. `grep ... > ...`)**
 - Or use the file `/home/common/simulations_all.txt`
- > **Compute the mean value (e.g. `awk` or `tr+sed+bc`)**
- > **Do the analysis**
 - E.g. produce pairs of `old_value-Mean new_value-Mean` per line (e.g. `awk`)
 - Compare number of “+... -...” and “+... +...” pairs
 - What do you see?
- > **For the advanced:**
 - Try to do reproduce the distribution function
 - With whatever tool you like



Commands needed for the analysis

- > **Compute mean value**
- > **Analysis**
 - E.g. create pairs of “OldValue CurrentValue”
 - Then e.g. compare with mean value



- > **The mean value (“Mittelwert”) is the wrong measure here: Instead one should speak about the median**
 - The median is the value exactly in the middle of the sample, having the same number of particles with smaller than with larger velocities
 - The median is smaller than the mean value for this distribution (~3.1)
 - Repeating the previous analysis using the median will have the expected result: The first value does not influence the second value

- > **Remember this when you play Roulette:**
 - The ball has no memory! Really!



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General recommendations

> **Make your job robust!**

- Everything can fail:
 - Worker node defective (HD, RAM, Network, installed SW,...)
 - Data transfer from/to remote fails for unknown reasons
 - Some actions takes forever
- Envelope every action with a watchdog (e.g. kill the action after X minutes if the command has not returned a signal of its own)
 - Poor-mans solution using bash, more advanced sig-handlers: Perl...
- Have a “plan B”:
 - If data transfer to site X fails after 5 minutes, try site Y, then site Z
- Your job should be completely autonomous

> **Make job handling robust!**

- You cannot treat 100 jobs/day by hand
- Build a robot with automated job creation, submission, output retrieval and resubmission

> **Rely on standards, and use them!**

- If you build a solution for one particular site, your job will only run there. You will give away much larger resources



General recommendations (2)

> File handling

- Have high-level tools that rely on the standards
- Make data transfer from site-to-site failsafe
- Automatic retransmission

> Have a plan on how to manage data

- Who can write data?
- Who can access it?
- Who can delete it?
- When can it be deleted?
- Owners come and go - the data persists. How do you react?
- What happens if data gets lost?

> Make sure Catalogue and SE are consistent

- How can one enforce this?



Literature – Further Information

- > **gLite 3 User Guide:**
<https://edms.cern.ch/file/722398/gLite-3-UserGuide.pdf>
- > **Job Description Language attributes specification:**
<https://edms.cern.ch/file/590869/1/EGEE-JRA1-TEC-590869-JDL-Attributes-v0-8.pdf>
- > **DESY Grid pages:**
<http://grid.desy.de/>

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