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Developing a Consistency Service

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Consistency and Replication

- □ Replication is used in Grids for data;
- □replication may be used for application metadata
- □ and for middleware metadata (replica catalogs and indices).
- □ If the replicated (meta)data are writable, then consistency must be enforced.

Work done

- □ Preliminary architectural design.
- ☐ Simulation of two simple protocols.
 - ○The simulator (extended OptorSim) is also a prototype.
- □ Prototype Web service implementation based on OGSI/Globus 3.0.1 (H. Stockinger).
- □ Master's thesis (G. Pucciani).
- □ Presentation at ACAT03 (A. Domenici, F. Donno, G. Pucciani, H. Stockinger, K. Stockinger).

Work program proposal (1)

- □ Requirements definition (degree of consistency required by appl'ns, access patterns...), selection of a few high level design options (alternate protocols or algorithms).
 - OPriority will be given to reqmts for middleware metadata (catalogs and indices).
- □ Definition of figures of merit to compare alternate solutions (e.g., number of failed accesses, conflicts...).

6 months, F. Donno, A. Domenici, contributions from everyone.

Work program proposal (2)

- □ Evaluation of the OGSA model(s) and of the Globus 4 implementation.
 - ○3 months, F. Donno, A. Domenici, contributions from G. Pucciani.
- □ Implementation of a simple consistency service, built upon the work done so far.
 - ○6 months, G. Pucciani, contributions from A. Domenici, F. Donno.

Work program proposal (3)

- □ Definition of a high level architecture:
 - ORCS interface towards other middleware components (use abstraction layer to make RCS adaptable to various technologies).
 - Internal interfaces of yet unspecified/underspecified RCS components.
 - Requirements specification for locking service.
 - ODatabase schema for RCS.
 - State-of-the-art review to select appropriate DB systems.
 - ○12 months, F. Donno, A. Domenici, L. Magnoni, G. Pucciani, R. Zappi.

Work program proposal (4)

- □ Simulation
 - OBasic statistical analysis of current results.
 - OEvaluation of the OptorSim tool (new release), possible proposals for improvements or adaptations.
 - 01 month, A. Domenici, contributions from G. Pucciani.