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Context: *"How can we take profit of Starplane for the SCARIe project* ?"

how can we take profit of dynamic network in the context of grid ?

how this can be applied to SCARIe ?

Dynamic Networks

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Why dynamic networks arose:

- Network administrator want to do Traffic Engineering for a better besteffort routing;
- Some users need Quality of Service that best-effort cannot provide (TVoip);
- Some users need high capacity and QoS (eScience);

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Examples of Virtual/Dynamic Network research initiative:

GLIF:

- Worldwide virtual organization to promote dynamic network based on optical multiplexing.

Surfnet6 and Netherlight:

- Netherland hybrid network offering allocation of Lightpath upon request.

Starplane:

- A DAS3 dynamic network offering allocation of Lightpath upon request.

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Users can build their own virtual networks; that match their Application Specific Requirement.



To take profit of that ...

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- infrastructure (they exist...see GLIF, surfnet6, Starplane);
- middleware and tools to build virtual circuit; at least a resource-allocator/scheduler aware of network
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- software methodologies to handle the increased complexity of dynamic network.

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This is a "subgraph isomorphism" test: At least NP-Complete

Don't expect an optimal solution

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Message Passing Paradigm:

- the messages are explicitly exchanged between two computation elements;



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Channels:

A Channel is like a MPI Communicator + having the ability to be bounded

to a specific resource set (device, protocol, network). when making a software... Identify a groups of channels :

- same logical function (like MPI Communicator)
- same requirement (bandwith,rtt)
- between same set of processes

How user of a grid could take profit of dynamic network ? Message Passing Library aware of Starplane

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2) The channel description is stored as an external file (the Application

Specific Topology).



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4) Application is started... the mapping is loaded to initialize the physical network connexions.



Message Passing Library aware of Starplane

What we currently have:

- implementation of channel (with Madeleine library)
- implementation of channel over MPI (MPICH-Mad)
- some prototype of description language to request resources (
- some network resource description language (NDL is very den

What we are missing:

- a resource allocator/scheduler that map the AST to subset of N
- grid aware set of tools.

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What is drawn in this picture is a graph with:

- Node that represents computation process

- Edges that represents streams of data between the computation process



By knowing the number of antenna, the number of channels it is relatively easy to estimate for all Edges and Nodes of this graph the amount of resources needed.

The application has STATIC Requirement

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1) Channels are expressed, we have a topological description of the application (AST).

2) The AST is submitted to the resource scheduler...

- 3) a *Resource Mapping* file is returned containing:
 - for each computation process a computing node.
 - for each channel in the request the network path that is supposed to be used.

4) When the application is started:

we are sure that the resources are available; we are sure that the application fit into the resource required.this is good for real-time application...

Second version of SCARIE on top of Starplane: how to make a a better demonstration of the dynamic capabilities of Starplane.

The idea... SFXC use time slicing to distribute job.

At cluster level:

- timeslice is used to distribute computation

At grid level:

chunk of timeslices.

How can we distribute timeslices sequentially over the different cluster sites ?

An attempt to a better demonstration of the dynamic capabilities of Starplane.









This demonstrate the dynamically controlled lighpath of Sta

Fast light-path modification allow to keep the size of the bu small (less than the main memory of the nodes: 4GB);

Inter-site communication is only streaming, no message dia

Load distribution can be adapted by selecting different size timeslices;



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That is all for me...
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What about a demo of this for SC07 ?
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What do we want to demonstrate ?
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