

GAT Beginners Guide

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1 Introduction

The Java implementation of GAT is an API which enables an unique and easy coding of Grid applications. GAT has been developed first in C within the Gridlab project¹ at the AEI². Later on the Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam developed the Java implementation of GAT. Due to the "Early Adaptor Binding" in C-GAT, and also due to the fact that C-GAT does not provide all client operations of the Grid middlewares Globus, gLite, and Unicore by itself, and also because it is written in C³ C-GAT is only scarcely used in D-Grid. Therefore C-GAT is not supported anymore, instead of that, the C++ implementation of SAGA⁴ is the substitute of C-GAT.

JavaGAT (simply called GAT later on) offers all the client operations of the Grid middlewares Globus, gLite, and Unicore without the necessity of installing these middlewares. With GAT it is therefore possible to get a Laptop or Desktop ready for the Grid in only 5 minutes, what is nothing compared to the time needed for a Globus installation, which usually takes several hours.

Beside that it is much easier to code against the GAT-API then against the API of a Grid-Middleware⁵. An user which want to run his applications on the Grid needs only to program against the GAT-API, and all the difficult stuff of coding against the middleware itself is left over to GAT. GAT contacts the middleware with its corresponding adaptor.

Another advantage of programming against GAT then against a middleware directly is that one needs not to change the code again, if another middleware should be accessed. In such a case GAT uses internally the adaptor for the other middleware, and the user even does not recognize it.

GAT provides adaptors for Globus (GRAM as WSGRAM), gLite, Unicore 6, PBS, SGE, and also so-called local adaptors. The availability of the local adaptors is quite helpful during the development phase, because they enable testing the program logic without having access to the Grid.

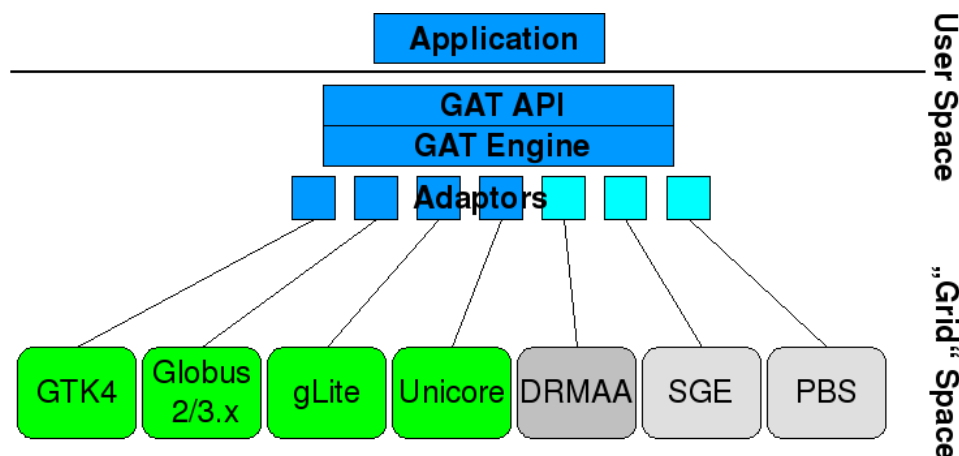


Figure 1: GAT Architecture

¹www.gridlab.org

²AEI stands for Albert-Einstein-Institute, which is the second name of the Max-Planck-Institute for Gravitational Physics in Potsdam-Golm

³Most of the Workflow engines which could use GAT to get access to the Grid are written in Java, e.g. Triana, ProC

⁴SAGA: Simple API for Grid Application is a common OGF effort, written in C++ and Java, and thought to be the follow up of GAT. For more information see <https://forge.gridforum.org/projects/saga-rg/>

⁵see <http://www.cs.vu.nl/~rob/JavaGAT-tutorial.pdf> for example

2 How to get and install GAT

2.1 Download and installation of GAT

GAT can be checked out from:

`https://svn.aei.mpg.de/eScience/GridAPI/trunk/JavaGAT`

With the user anonymous and an empty password.

Before installing GAT, extract it to a directory of your choice. The installation of GAT requires a Java SUN JDK version 6 or newer. There are two ways to install GAT:

1. installation of engine, adaptors, tests and javadoc in one step;
2. separate installation of the engine and the adaptors.

2.1.1 The one step installation

For the one step installation:

1. Change to the directory, where you have extracted GAT to.
2. Set the environment variable `GAT_LOCATION` to point to this directory. If `GAT_LOCATION` is not set, the build process will fail!
3. Enter `ant` to build the engine, the adaptors, some tests, and the documentation.

The documentation is of type javadoc, and the entry page to this documentation is

`$(GAT_LOCATION)/doc/javadoc/index.html`

The jar-files necessary for the GAT-Engine resides in `$(GAT_LOCATION)/engine/lib`, those of the adaptors can be found in `$(GAT_LOCATION)/engine/lib`

2.1.2 Separate build

If you are only interested in the engine and the adaptors, you can build them separately. Before starting the build, please ensure that the environment variable `$(GAT_LOCATION)` points to the parent directory of GAT. To build the engine change to the directory `$(GAT_LOCATION)/engine`, and enter `ant`. For building the adaptors, please change to `$(GAT_LOCATION)/adaptors`, and again enter `ant`. That's all.

2.1.3 Build the supplemental AstroGrid packages

The command line interfaces **GATJobRun** and **GATFileOps**, which have been developed within the AstroGrid-D project, must be build separately. The build of the packages require a previous build of the GAT engine and the GAT adaptors.

To build the **GATJobRun** package, change to the directory

```
$GAT_LOCATION/astrogrid-packages/GATJobRun,
```

and enter

```
ant
```

If you haven't installed a Sun Grid Engine (SGE) on your computer the build process displays the message:

```
SGE_ROOT = '/opt/SGE' found.  If empty, you can't submit jobs to SGE.  
Please set SGE_ROOT and rebuild GATJobRun, if you like to use SGE
```

This indicates that it is not possible to use the SGE adaptor of GAT without an SGE on your computer.

For the **GATFileOps** package please change to

```
$GAT_LOCATION/astrogrid-packages/GATFileOps,
```

and enter

```
ant -f build-standalone.xml.
```

We recommend to have a look at the Readme files, before building the packages.

3 The Command Line Interface

The command line interface (CLI) packages **GATJobRun** and **GATFileOps** represent an extension to GAT. They have been developed within in the AstroGrid project by the AEI in Potsdam-Golm.

3.1 Submitting (Grid) jobs using the **GATJobRun** package

The entry point to **GATJobRun** is the script `gat-job-run` which is located in the directory

```
$GAT_LOCATION/astrogrid-packages/GATJobRun/scripts.
```

It is recommended to add this directory to the `PATH` environment variable, to enable an easy usage from everywhere directory in your system. If `gat-job-run` is called without arguments, it prompts a list of options and arguments:

```
Missing host and/or executable string
```

```
Usage:  gat-job-run [OPTIONS] hostname executable [ARGUMENTS]
```

```
OPTIONS:
```

```
-username [STRING] username for security context
```

```
-password [STRING] password for security context
```

```
-SubmitOnly [true/false] submit only (true) or poll still exit
```

```

-stdin [FILE] path to input file
-stdout [FILE] path to output file
-stderr [FILE] path to error output file

-prestage [FILE],... path to prestage file(s) - comma separated
-poststage [FILE],... path to poststage file(s) - comma speparated

-RB.adaptor [STRING] force the use of a specific Resource Broker adaptor
-RB.jobmanager [STRING] force the use of a specific Resource Broker jobmanager

```

Some comments to the options / arguments.

- `hostname`, `executable`: The name of the execution host, and the name of the executable. It is mandatory, to enter them.
- `-SubmitOnly`: The default behaviour of `gat-job-run` is to submit a job, and to poll after the status of the job until it has finished. After the end of the job, `gat-job-run` exits. This behaviour is only useful for short test jobs. In case of long term runs, it is desired that `gat-job-run` exits before the job has finished. This can be achieved, by setting `SubmitOnly` to true.
- `-RB.adaptor`: Here it is possible to enter the name of the GAT adaptor that shall be used for the job submission. If no adaptor is specified explicitly, GAT uses the first job submission adaptor which can be invoked successfully. The name of an adaptor is obtained by the name of its jar file without the suffix `.jar`. The GAT adaptors are located in `$GAT_LOCATION/adaptors/lib`. The name of the jar file which contains the gram adaptor is `GlobusResourceBrokerAdaptor.jar`. So if you like to invoke the gram adaptor of GAT you have to enter:


```
-RB.adaptor GlobusResourceBrokerAdaptor
```
- `-RB.jobmanager`: Enables to select the usage of a job manager as SGE or PBS. If no job manager is specified here, the default job manager will be invoked; usually this would be fork.

The script `gat-job-run` consists mainly of the java call for the `GATJobRun` package. However, you can define some variables for GAT in this call; the most important one are:

- `-Dgat.adaptor.path=<path name>` the name of the directory where the adaptors (there jar files) are located;
- `-Dgat.debug` set the logging level to debug, GAT writes debug and info messages to the console, very helpful in case of problems.

3.2 File operations with GATFileOps

Like `GATJobRun` `GATFileOps` also uses a script as entry point. It is called `gat-file-operation`, and it is located in the directory

```
$GAT_LOCATION/astrogrid-packages/GATJobRun/scripts.
```

Again we recommend to add this directory to the PATH. Calling `gat-file-operation` without arguments, will deliver list of possible options and arguments:

```
Usage: gat-file-operation [OPTIONS] <operation> <source> <dest>
```

OPTIONS:

```
-Adaptor [STRING] force the use of a specific file adaptor
```

```
<operation>: RemoteCopy, RemoteMove or DeleteFile
```

```
<source>: source file
```

```
<dest>: destination file; not used at <operation> DeleteFile
```

The only option that is available is `-Adaptor`, and it can be used to force the usage of a special adaptor. The other arguments are necessary for a call of `gat-file-operation`, in order to obtain the desired operation.

- `<operation>`: This argument can take the values `RemoteCopy`, `RemoteMove`, or `DeleteFile`. `RemoteCopy` copies a file, if desired from one grid host to another; `RemoteMove` moves a file through the grid, and `DeleteFile` deletes a file anywhere in the grid.
- `<source>` The source file of the operation.
- `<dest>` The destination file of the operation. The destination file will be ignored in case of `DeleteFile`.

Both `<source>` and `<dest>` can be file names or URIs, dependent on where the files are located. In order to benefit of the flexibility of GAT, Java-GAT offers its own protocol type "any". So a `RemoteCopy` call with `gat-file-operation` might look as follows:

```
gat-file-operation RemoteCopy any://localhost.de//home/ali/bin/test-geo600.sh
                                any://remotehost.de//tmp/tester.sh
```

If `any` is entered instead of `file` or `gsiftp`, any adaptor that can be used for the copy will be invoked. Using `gsiftp` will force the usage of `gridftp` for the transfer.

4 Programming against the GAT-API

In this chapter we don't provide a description of the whole GAT-API, this is left to the GAT documentation. However, because we have developed job submission adaptors for `gLite`, `Unicore`, `SGE`, and `PBS` within the `AstroGrid` project, we present two short examples describing the coding against the GAT-API for file operations, and for job submission.

4.1 File operations on entire files with GAT

If you like to copy a file from one URI (or file) to another, your class might look as follows:

```
1 import org.gridlab.gat.*;
2 import org.gridlab.gat.io.File;
3
4 public class RemoteCopy {
5     public static void main(String[] args) throws Exception {
6         GATContext context = new GATContext();
7
8         URI src = new URI("file://src_host.grid.org//home/griduser/data/file1");
9         URI dest = new URI("file://dest_host.grid.org//home/griduser1/data/file2");
10        File file = GAT.createFile(context, src); // create file object
11
12        file.copy(dest); // and copy it
13        GAT.end();
14    }
15 }
```

Some comments to the code. To enable any further GAT operation, e. g. the creation of `GATFile` or a `GATResourceBroker` (the latter is required for the submission of jobs, you need to create a new instance of the object `GATContext`, as shown in line 6).

The example class above is called with two arguments, namely the source, and the destination file. These files must be given in an URI description, e.g. as `ftp://10.0.0.1/output`. Of course you can use here also the protocol type `any://` for allowing GAT to use any protocol (via available GAT adaptor) which can be used for a file operation. This is the concept of **late binding** realized in GAT. Due to this concept, GAT uses the first adaptor for a file operation, which can be invoked successfully. If it is desired to force the usage of a specific adaptor, you must enter the protocol you want to use, e.g. `ftp://`, `gsiftp://`, `http://`, `file://`, etc...

The `GATFile` inherits all methods of the Java `File` class, and offers extensions as `copy` or `move`, and via the corresponding GAT adaptors it is possible to perform file operations in a Grid environment. For a detailed description please look at the JavaDoc of `JavGAT`. In our example the method `copy` (line 12) is used, to copy the file. Every GAT program should call `GAT.end` before exiting the class. This terminates all threads which might be still alive.

4.2 Job submission with the ResourceBroker

At the begin again a screenshot of an example class, which enables to submit a job.

```
1 import org.gridlab.gat.*;
2 import org.gridlab.gat.io.File;
3 import org.gridlab.gat.resources.*;
4
5
6 public class SubmitJob {
7     public static void main(String[] args) throws Exception {
8         GATContext context = new GATContext();
9
10
11        URI LocalFile=new URI("file:///~/file1");
12        URI RemoteFile=new URI("file://host.grid.org/~file2");
13        URI PostRemoteFile=new URI("file://host.grid.org/~result");
```

```

14         URI PostLocalFile=new URI("file:///~/result");
15
16         SoftwareDescription sd = new SoftwareDescription();
17         sd.setExecutable("/bin/hostname");
18         File stdout = GAT.createFile(context, "hostname.txt");
19         sd.setStdout(stdout);
20         sd.addPreStagedFile(GAT.createFilecontext,LocalFile),
21                             GAT.createFile(context,RemoteFile));
22         sd.addPostStagedFile(GAT.createFilecontext,PostRemoteFile),
23                             GAT.createFile(context,PostLocalFile));
24
25         JobDescription jd = new JobDescription(sd);
26
27         String JobManagerContact = new String("any://" + "host.grid.org");
28         ResourceBroker broker = GAT.createResourceBroker(context,
29                             new URI(JobManagerContact));
30
31         Job job = broker.submitJob(jd);
32         while (job.getState() != Job.STOPPED &&
33                 job.getState() != Job.SUBMISSION_ERROR) Thread.sleep(1000);
34
35         GAT.end();
36     }
37 }
38 }

```

To submit a job, you need to create a `SoftwareDescription`, which is required for the later creation of a `JobDescription`, and the `JobDescription` is the only argument you need to create an instance of the `ResourceBroker` class.

Among others, the `SoftwareDescription` `sd`

offers the following methods:

- `sd.setExecutable("executable", to add the name of the executable;`
- `sd.SetArguments(String[] jobargs), to add the executables arguments;`
- `sd.setStdin(GATFile Input, sd.setStdout(GATFile Output)), allows to define stdin and stdout,`
- `sd.addPreStagedFile(GATFile File, sd.addPostStagedFile(GATFile File, can be used, to define files for pre, and poststaging,`
- `sd.addAttribute(String arg0, Object arg1), this method allows to add special attributes as the number of nodes or the memory required for the job. Please contact the adaptor developers if you are not sure, how this attributes must be called.`

The `SoftwareDescription` contains a list of variables which must be known, to execute the program For a complete description please have a look at the Java documentation of GAT.

The `JobDescription` is necessary for submitting a job, checking its status, killing it, etc... You can create this `JobDescription` with the command:


```
JobDescription jd = new JobDescription(SoftWareDescription sd);
```

The last step before submitting a job, is to get a ResourceBroker. The ResourceBroker requires the information about the execution host, given in an URI representation. In the example above this information is given by JobManagerContact (line 27). Having defined the execution like this the ResourceBroker is created by:

```
ResourceBroker broker = GAT.createResourceBroker(context, new URI(JobManagerContact));
```

Having the the ResourceBroker broker available, it is possible to submit a job simply by:

```
Job job = broker.submitJob(jd);
```

The Job object job given back in case of a successful job submission allows operations on the job, e.g. as:

- `job.getState`, to check the status of the job;
- `job.stop`, to stop a job;
- `job.hold`, to hold a job;
- `job.resume`, to resume a job;
- `job.getExitStatus`, to get exit status of a job.

However, the final job scheduler must support these operations.

5 Available JavaGAT adaptors

Beside Grid adaptors there are also a lot of other adaptors available, e. g. adaptors for SGE or PBS. The following table shows all available adaptors.

File Adaptor matrix JavaGAT		
File Adaptors	Preferences Name	Product
CommandLineSshFileAdaptor	commandlinesssh for file	ssh
CopyingFileInputStreamAdaptor	copying for fileinputstream	ssh
PosixSrmFileAttributeView	glitesrm for file glitelfn for file gliteguid for file	gLite
PosixLfnFileAttributeView		gLite
GliteSrmFileAdaptor		gLite
GliteLfnFileAdaptor		gLite
GliteGuidFileAdaptor		gLite
FTPFileAdaptor	ftp for file	globus
FTPFileInputStreamAdaptor	ftpfile for fileinputstream	globus
FTPFileOutputStreamAdaptor	ftpfile for fileoutputstream	globus
GlobusFileAdaptor	globus for file	globus
GlobusFileInputStreamAdaptor	globus for fileinputstream	globus
GlobusFileOutputStreamAdaptor	globus for fileoutputstream	globus
GridFTPFileAdaptor	gridftp for file	globus
GridFTPFileInputStreamAdaptor	gridftp for fileinputstream	globus
GridFTPFileOutputStreamAdaptor	gridftp for fileoutputstream	globus
GridFTPRandomAccessFileAdaptor	gridftprandomaccess for file	globus
HTTPFileInputStreamAdaptor	http for fileinputstream	globus
HTTPFileOutputStreamAdaptor	http for fileoutputstream	globus
HTTPSFileInputStreamAdaptor	https for fileinputstream	globus
HTTPSFileOutputStreamAdaptor	https for fileoutputstream	globus
GT4GridFTPFileAdaptor	gt4gridftp for file	globus
GT4FileAdaptor	gt4 for file	globus
RFTGT4FileAdaptor	rftgt4 for file	globus
GT42GridFTPFileAdaptor	gt42gridftp for file	globus
GT42FileAdaptor	gt42 for file	globus
RFTGT42FileAdaptor	rftgt42 for file	globus
LocalFileInputStreamAdaptor	local for fileinputstream	local
LocalFileOutputStreamAdaptor	local for fileoutputstream	local
LocalFileAdaptor	local for file	local

Job Adaptor matrix JavaGAT		
Job Adaptors	Preferences Name	Product
CommandLineSshResourceBrokerAdaptor	commandlinessh for resourcebroker	ssh
GliteResourceBrokerAdaptor	glite for resourcebroker	gLite
GlobusResourceBrokerAdaptor	globus for resourcebroker	Globus 4.0.x gram
WSGT4newResourceBrokerAdaptor	wsgt4new for resourcebroker	Globus 4.0.x wsgram
GT42ResourceBrokerAdaptor	gt42 for resourcebroker	Globus 4.2 wsgram
GridSAMResourceBrokerAdaptor	gridsam for resourcebroker	GridSAM
KoalaResourceBrokerAdaptor	koala for resourcebroker	Koala
LocalResourceBrokerAdaptor	local for resourcebroker	processes on localhost
PbsResourceBrokerAdaptor	pbs for resourcebroker	PBS
ProActiveResourceBrokerAdaptor	proactive for resourcebroker	ProActive
SgeResourceBrokerAdaptor	sge for resourcebroker	SGE with DRMAA
SgeScriptResourceBrokerAdaptor	sge for resourcebroker	SGE with job scripts
UnicoreResourceBrokerAdaptor	unicore for resourcebroker	Unicore
ZorillaResourceBrokerAdaptor	zorilla for resourcebroker	Zorilla

The PbsResourceBrokerAdaptor, the ProActiveResourceBrokerAdaptor, and also the SgeResourceBrokerAdaptor are located in the contributed sub-directory of the GAT adaptors.

Generic Adaptor matrix JavaGAT		
Generic Adaptors	Preferences Name	Product
GenericAdvertServiceAdaptor	generic for AdvertService	
GenericLogicalFileAdaptor	generic for LogicalFile	

By default GAT is trying to invoke any of the adaptors found in the directory given by the environment variable `GAT_ADAPTOR_PATH` or by the `-D` argument `gat.adaptor.path` to the Java Virtual Machine, and if an adaptor is failing the next one is tried. Due to longer system timeouts, e.g. for ssh commands, this default behaviour might slow down GAT operation considerably. However, it is possible to tell GAT to try only one, or a list of adaptors. This can be achieved by adding the list of adaptor names which shall be used to the preferences of GAT. To get the right name for an adaptor please use the names listed in the tables after the following scheme: if the column "Preferences Name" contains "xyz for LogicalFile" you need to add to the Preferences:

```
Prefs.put("LogicalFile.adaptor.name","xyz");
```

where Prefs is of type `org.gridlab.gat.Preferences`. If the invocation of this adaptor fails, GAT fails and exits. If you want the GAT engine to try more than one but not all of the adaptors, you must add a list of names separated by spaces to the Preferences:

```
Prefs.put("LogicalFile.adaptor.name","xyz abc efg");
```

6 Using Grid adaptors with GAT

The usage of the Grid adaptors in GAT requires some configuration on the computer, where these adaptors should be used. These configurations only concerns providing the necessary certificates.

6.1 The usage of the Globus adaptors of GAT

To use the Globus adaptors it is necessary to provide the Globus Grid certificates. There are two types of certificates which must be available:

1. the personnel certificates `userkey.pem`, and `usercert.pem`, which must be located in the directory `$HOME/.globus`;
2. the host certificates of the Grid hosts you like to access, which must be located in the directory `$HOME/.globus/certificates`.

To create a proxy certificate you can use the `grid-proxy-init` (or `grid-proxy-init.bat` on Windows) of GAT, which is located in `$GAT_LOCATION/bin`. The script invokes the class `org.globus.tools.ProxyInit` which is a class of the Java CoG Kit, and delivered with GAT. This class reads in some configuration information from the dataset `$HOME/.globus/cog.properties`, but only if this file is available. `cog.properties` might look as follows

```
#Java CoG Kit Configuration File
#Tue Aug 28 10:41:58 CEST 2007
usercert=/home/alibeck/.globus/usercert.pem
userkey=/home/alibeck/.globus/userkey.pem
proxy=/tmp/x509up_u1000
#cacert=/etc/grid-security/certificates
cacert=/home/alibeck/.globus/cog-certificates
```

The single parameters have the following meaning:

- **usercert**: The path to the file containing your grid certificate.
- **userkey**: The path to the file containing your Grid key.
- **proxy**: The name under which your proxy certificate which you create with `grid-proxy-init` is stored.
- **cacert**: The path of the directory, which contains the host certificates.

Without any configurations in `cog.properties`, the CoG Toolkit will try to find the required files in default locations according to the following rules:

- If the `usercert` property is not set, first the `X509_USER_CERT` system property is checked. If the system property is not set, the value defaults to `$HOME/.globus/usercert.pem`.

- If the `userkey` property is not set, first the `X509_USER_KEY` system property is checked. If the system property is not set, the value defaults to `$HOME/.globus/userkey.pem`.
- If the `cacert` property is not set, first the `X509_CERT_DIR` system property is checked. If the system property is not set, then the `$HOME/.globus/certificates` directory is checked. If the directory does not exist, and on a Unix/Linux machine, the directory with the name `/etc/grid-security/certificates` is checked next. If one of these directories with certificates is found, all the certificates in that directory will be loaded and used. If no directory is found, the Java CoG will not work.
- If the `proxy` property is not set, first the `X509_USER_PROXY` system property is checked. If the system property is not set, then it defaults to a value based on the following rules: If a `UID` system property is set, and running on a Unix/Linux machine it returns `/tmp/x509up_u$UID`. If any other machine than Unix/Linux, it returns `${tmpdir}/x509up_u${UID}`, where `tmpdir` is a platform-specific temporary directory as indicated by the `java.io.tmpdir` system property. If a `UID` system property is not set, the username will be used instead of the `UID`. That is, it returns `${tmpdir}/x509up_u.${username}`.

6.1.1 Using a MyProxy server

MyProxy is an online credential repository. You can store X.509 proxy credentials in the repository, protected by a passphrase. These credentials can then be retrieved over the network when needed, eliminating the need to manually copy private key and certificate files between machines. When using a MyProxy server, you don't need `userkey.pem` and/or `usercert.pem` files. Instead, you must supply a username and a passphrase to the MyProxy server, which then returns the associated credential.

JavaGAT allows access to a credential stored in a MyProxy server by means of the

```
MyProxyServerCredentialSecurityContext
```

security context. To use this security context, you need

- a credential stored at a MyProxy server,
- the MyProxy server hostname,
- the port number for the MyProxy server,
- the username for the MyProxy server,
- the passphrase associated with the required credential. Note: this is the passphrase that was used to store the credential in the MyProxy server, which is not necessarily the same as the credential passphrase, which was also supplied while storing the credential in the MyProxy server.

A `MyProxyServerCredentialSecurityContext` is created by calling the corresponding constructor. Here is a code fragment:

```
SecurityContext ctxt = new MyProxyServerCredentialSecurityContext(  
    "MyProxy host", MYPROXY_PORT_NO, "username", "passphrase");  
gatContext.addContext(ctxt);
```

Here, "MyProxy host" stands for the MyProxy server host name, MYPROXY_PORT_NO for the port number of the MyProxy server, and "username" and "passphrase" stand for the username and passphrase to be supplied to the MyProxy server.

The MyProxyServerCredentialSecurityContext security context can be used by/for the various Globus adaptors.

6.2 How to use the GAT-gLite Adaptor

6.2.1 Introduction

Regarding security, the gLite adaptor behaves mostly like Globus. That means, that a valid proxy impersonating the user on the Grid is required. The difference with gLite, however, is that instead of an entirely self-signed proxy, gLite uses so-called VOMS proxies for authentication and authorization. VOMS proxies are enhanced Globus proxies, that contain extensions signed by a VOMS server about the user's roles, group memberships and capabilities to simplify authorization at the Grid site level and spare the site administrators the task of updating huge user databases. In order to receive a VOMS proxy, users must contact a VOMS server in a connection secured with a Globus proxy and request certain roles, groups and capabilities. If the user is a member in the VO (virtual organisation), that is administered by the VOMS server, this request will either be granted or denied based on the suitability of the user for the requested memberships. If the request is granted, the server will generate a signed certificate containing the granted request and store that in the user's proxy. The user can now impersonate herself at Grid sites belonging to the same VO as she does and will receive authorization compliant to the granted capabilities.

6.2.2 Configuration of the gLite adaptor

To be able to make the VOMS-proxy request on behalf of the user, the gLite adaptor needs to know a few additional pieces of data:

- The name of the VO for which the user wants to obtain a credential (e.g. nordugrid, knowarc, VOCE, ...)
- The endpoint of the VOMS server webservice (this address is usually different to the URL at which the VOMS admin can be accessed with a browser)
- The port at which the VOMS server is listening to requests
- The distinguished name (DN) of the VOMS Host. If you are unsure about this, you can usually find the information on the "Configuration" page in the VOMS admin server application. (Fig. 2)

These values have to be specified as preferences of the current GAT context. Additionally, a CertificateSecurityContext with the path to the user certificate and key must be given.

An example configuration of all the necessary parameters for the gLite adaptor could look as follows:

```
GATContext context = new GATContext();  
CertificateSecurityContext secContext =  
    new CertificateSecurityContext(  
        "MyProxy host", MYPROXY_PORT_NO, "username", "passphrase");
```

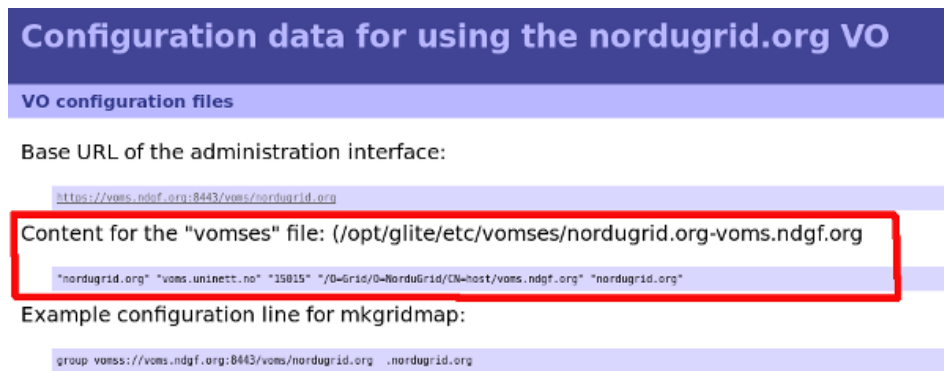


Figure 2: The membership details page in the VOMS Admin gives you the DN of the VOMS host

```

new URI("/home/mustermann/.globus/userkey.pem"),
new URI("/home/mustermann/.globus/usercert.pem"),
"mysupersecretpwd");

Preferences globalPrefs = new Preferences();
globalPrefs.put("vomsServerURL", "skurut19.cesnet.cz");
globalPrefs.put("vomsServerPort", "7001");
globalPrefs.put("vomsHostDN",
    "/DC=cz/DC=cesnet-ca/O=CESNET/CN=skurut19.cesnet.cz");
globalPrefs.put("VirtualOrganisation", "voce");
context.addPreferences(globalPrefs);
context.addSecurityContext(secContext);

```

Please also note that a correct `cog.properties` file as described in 5.1 should be present.

6.2.3 Optional configuration parameters

Security

By default, the gLite-adaptor creates a VOMS proxy valid for 12 hours. If another validity period is desired, this behaviour can be influenced by setting the `vomsLifetime` preference key. For example, if you want to set the lifetime to 1 hour, do:

```

Preference globalPrefs = new Preferences();
globalPrefs.put("vomsLifetime", "3600");
context.addPreferences(globalPrefs);

```

Please note, that the gLite adaptor will reuse any proxy that is valid longer than `vomsLifetime` or 10 minutes, if `vomsLifetime` is not present.⁶ If you want the adaptor to explicitly construct a new proxy every time a job is submitted, you can instruct it to do so by setting the preference key `glite.newProxy`. For example

```

Preference globalPrefs = new Preferences();

```

⁶The gLite adaptor will not perform automatic renewal, if the proxy times out during the execution of a job.

SD attribute	Mapping to JDL
time.max	other.GlueCEPolicyMaxWallClockTime
walltime.max	other.GlueCEPolicyMaxWallClockTime
cputime.max	other.GlueCEPolicyMaxCPUTime
project	HLRLocation
memory.min	other.GlueHostMainMemoryRAMSize >=
memory.max	other.GlueHostMainMemoryRAMSize <=
glite.retrycount	RetryCount
glite.DataRequirements.InputData	DataRequirements = { [DataCatalogType="RLS"; InputData={...}] } DataAccessProtocol = {https, gsiftp};}

Table 1: List of SoftwareDescription attributes and their mapping to JDL

```
globalPrefs.put("glite.newProxy", "true");
context.addPreferences(globalPrefs);
```

forces the gLite-adaptor to construct a new proxy for the submitted job, even if an existing one is valid for a longer period than `vomsLifetime`. This behaviour is required, if you are submitting to sites belonging to different VOs.

Matchmaking

Preferences influencing matchmaking decisions are set either as SoftwareDescription attributes or as SoftwareResourceDescription and HardwareResourceDescription properties, as previsionsed in JavaGAT. Most attributes are supported, but since the set of previsionsed attributes is somewhat tailored to Globus' RSL format, this can only be done where the attributes can be translated to JDL in a feasible way, or can be included as GLUE requirements. Table 1 gives an overview of the supported software description attributes and how they are handled in the JDL document, while table 2 shows how SoftwareResourceDescription and HardwareResourceDescription properties are translated to the JDL. If not noted otherwise, input parameters in form of attributes or resource description properties are always strings and the comparison operator in the JDL is equality.

In gLite, matchmaking is supposed to be performed at the level of the workload management server (WMS), which acts as a meta-scheduling server. The WMS uses information stored in the information supermarket, which is usually also accessible from outside the WMS and can be used to perform manual preselections by the adaptor. For example, if you don't know the address of an WMS, but instead the address of your VOs LDAP information service, you can do:

```
ResourceBroker rb =
    GAT.createResourceBroker(context, "ldap://is.example.com");
Job job = rb.submitJob(jobDesc);
```

The gLite adaptor will then try to retrieve a WMS accepting jobs for your VO from the LDAP server automatically and submit to this one, or, if more than one WMS accept jobs, submit to a random one of these.

Miscellaneous configuration parameters

By default, the gLite resource broker adaptor will delete the JDL file created upon job submission. If you want to keep the JDL, e.g. for debugging purposes, set the preference key `glite.deleteJDL` to false.

ResourceRequirement	Mapping to JDL
os.name	other.GlueHostOperatingSystemName
os.release	other.GlueHostOperatingSystemRelease
os.version	other.GlueHostOperatingSystemVersion
os.type	other.GlueHostProcessorModel
cpu.type	other.GlueHostProcessorModel
machine.type	other.GlueHostProcessorModel
machine.node = (String List <String>)	other.GlueCEUniqueID
cpu.speed	other.GlueHostProcessorClockSpeed
memory.size	other.GlueHostMainMemoryRAMSize
disk.size	other.GlueSESizeFree
glite.other	any other.Glue* attributes here (that you specify yourself)

Table 2: List of SoftwareResourceRequirements and HardwareResourceRequirements and their mapping to JDL

The `glite.pollIntervalSecs` preference key determines how often the `gLite` resource broker adaptor polls the logging & bookkeeping service for the current job's status. By default, this is 3 seconds.

For example, if you want to invoke the `gLite` adaptor with the setting that the JDL files should be kept and that the L&B server should be polled all 10 seconds, do the following:

```
Preference globalPrefs = new Preferences();
globalPrefs.put("glite.deleteJDL", "false");
globalPrefs.put("glite.pollIntervalSecs", "10");
context.addPreferences(globalPrefs);
```

6.3 How to use the GAT-Unicore Adaptor

6.3.1 Introduction

The JavaGAT Unicore adaptor is based on HiLA⁷. Therefore some HiLA specific configuration is necessary. This configuration stuff is also described in this document.

6.3.2 Installation

The Unicore adaptor is now part of the regularly distributed adaptors, so it is build during the default build process (see section 2).

6.3.3 Configuration of the HiLA

The entry point for the configuration is the dataset `unicore6.xml`. It might look as follows:

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
```

⁷The HiLA package is described in <http://www.unicore.eu/community/development/hila-reference.pdf>.

```

<!-- This is the default unicore6.xml. HiLAFactory will
  look for it on the classpath, if all else fails. -->
<!-- Use this file as an example unicore6.xml. -->

<beans xmlns:hila="http://www.unicore.eu/hila-unicore6">
  <hila:unicore6grid id="grid" outcomeDirectory="file:${user.home}/.hila/data" config="#config" />

  <hila-common:compositeconfig id="config" xmlns:hila-common="http://www.unicore.eu/hila-common">
    <constructor-arg>
      <list>
        <hila:registryconfig
          registryURL="https://zam461.zam.kfa-juelich.de:9117/AWARE-GROW/services/Registry?res=default_registry" grid="#grid"
          securityProperties="#d-grid.security" />
      </list>
    </constructor-arg>
  </hila-common:compositeconfig>

  <bean name="d-grid.security" class="de.fzj.hila.implementation.unicore6.Unicore6SecurityProperties">
    <constructor-arg value="/home/alibeck/.hila/d-grid.security" />
  </bean>

</beans>

```

The path to this configuration file must be added as a definition while calling the Java VM with the `-D` flag, e.g.:

```
java -D/home/user/.hila/unicore.xml.
```

Some notes to `unicore.xml`:

- The `outcomeDirectory` defines the directory where all the results are stored. The default is `$HOME/.hila`
- The `hila:registryconfig` flag defines the security to be used (here `d-grid.security`), and the default `registryURL`:
`https://zam461.zam.kfa-juelich.de:9117/AWARE-GROW/services/Registry?res=default_registry`
- Under the bean name `d-grid.security` the security issues are defined. The `constructor-arg value` tag describes where security configuration can be found. This configuration file might look as follows:

```

unicore.wsrflite.ssl.keystore = /home/alibeck/certdir/alicert.jks
unicore.wsrflite.ssl.keypass = *****
unicore.wsrflite.ssl.keyalias = alip12cert

```

`keystore` ...the name of the keystore file `keypass` ...the password of the keystore `keyalias` ...the alias name of the key in the keystore which shall be used.

6.3.4 How to get a keystore?

We highly recommend to install portecle from

<http://portecle.sourceforge.net/>

and use it with `java -jar portecle.jar`. You are then in a graphical menu, which allows to

- create a new keystore
- add your personal and your host certificates to it.

You need to add a p12-Key. However, this p12-key can be created from a pem-key using openssl.

IMPORTANT: Right now, the keystore and the p12 certificate requires the same password. However, this will be changed in the next HiLA release.