ACL FOR DCACHE

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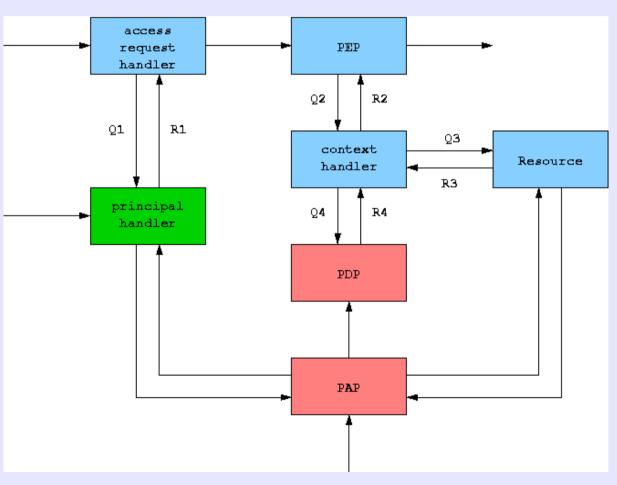
REQUIREMENTS

- Functionality which is compatible to other relevant LCG-middleware components
 - e.g. support for "POSIX ACL"
- Consistent support of different interfaces
 - POSIX vs. NFS4 ACL model
- Ability to control any kind of dCache/Chimera objects
 - Directories, files, VO spaces, dCache operations
- Modular design that (in principle) allows implementation of different policies

CONCEPTS (1): VIRTUAL IDS

- Subject which performs action is identified by
 - Virtual user ID
 - Primary/secondary virtual group IDs
- Persistent and managable mapping
 - E.g. Unix ID and DN of the same subject can be mapped on same virtual ID
- Probably implemented via gPlazma plugin

INFORMATION FLOW MODEL



Components

- Enforcement point
- Context handler
- Decision point
- Administration point

CONCEPTS (2): NFS4 ACL MODEL

Access Control Entries

- Type: access allow, access deny
- Actions: Read data, list directory, write data, add file, execute, delete, ...

Subject

- User, group
- Special: owner, owner group, everyone, anonymous, authenticated
- Extension: request origin address

NFS4 ↔ POSIX ACL MODEL

- Mapping proposed by IETF draft
- It is possible to
 - Map any POSIX ACL to NFS4 ACL with nearly identical semantics
 - Map any NFS4 ACL to a POSIX ACL preserving certain guarantees
 - → Server should not pretend to be more secure than it really is

QUESTIONS?

