

Uniform Distributed Storage View for the UNICORE Rich Client

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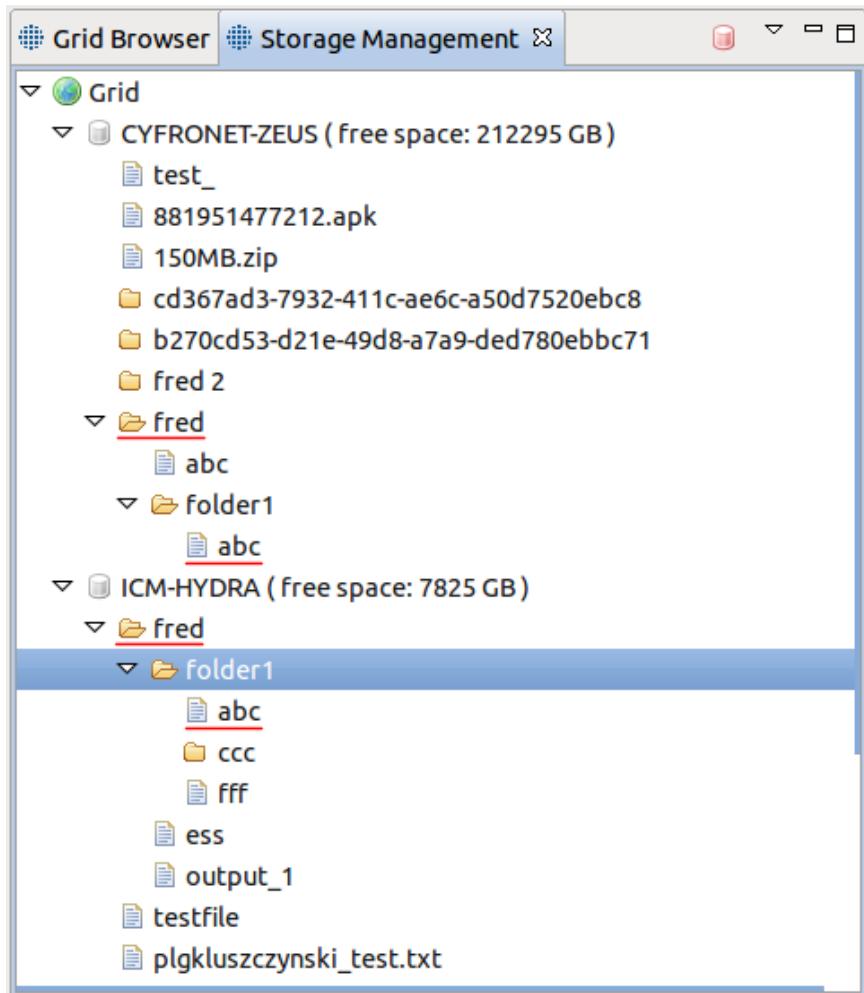
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Plugin to the graphical client URC has been implemented in the establishment of the master's thesis.

Requirements for the plugin

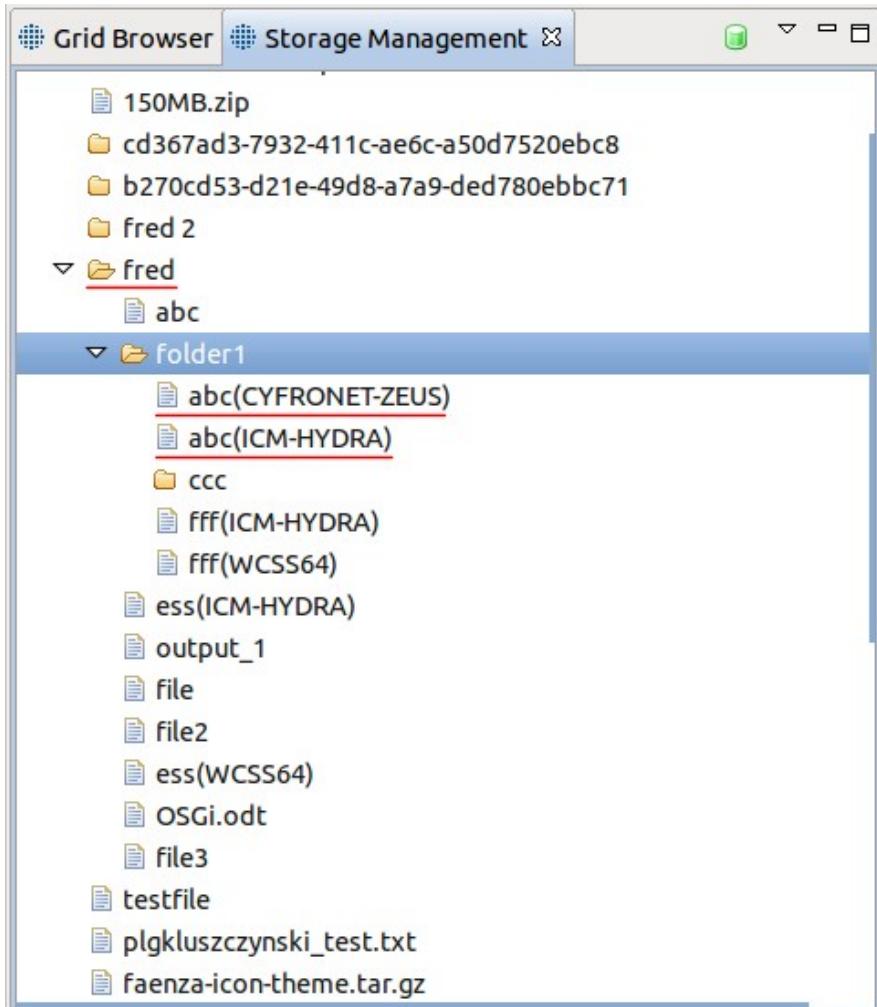
- Creation of Uniform Distributed Storage View
- Implementation of currently available functionality
- Providing information needed to identify the preferred storages
- Monitoring status of the Internet connection between storages

Standard View



- The ability to sort by name or by last modification date
- The ability to filter other people's files
- What to do if files have identical paths in their storages?

Uniform View



- Storages are invisible
- If many folders have the same path, only one is displayed, and their contents are merged
- If many files have the same path then suffix is added with name of storage
- If you have to random storage, then are used user preferences

Storages Priority

Storage priority

If you set 0 value then a storage will not be used.

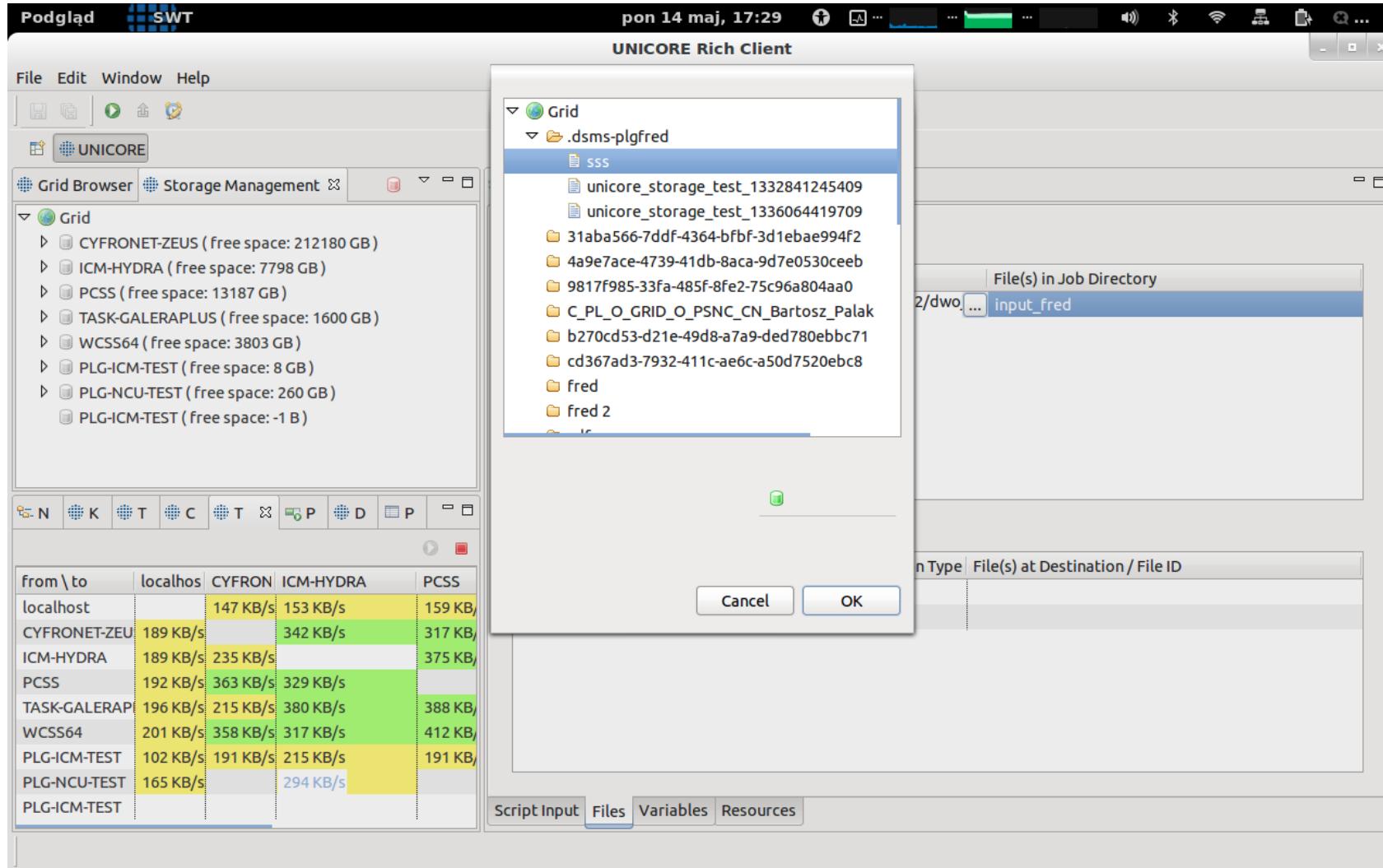
CYFRONET-ZEUS	100
ICM-HYDRA	10
PCSS	10
TASK-GALERAPLUS	50
WCSS64	10
PLG-ICM-TEST	10
PLG-NCU-TEST	10
PLG-ICM-TEST	0

Restore Defaults Apply

Cancel OK

- The priority of the storage, values between 0 - 100
- 0 value means that the storage is not used
- Storages randomized from a uniform distribution

Selecting files to run job



Measurement the speed of transfer

When the network connection is not loaded, it is possible to start thread in the background, which will measure the speed of transfer between the grid nodes.

Measurement the speed of transfer - algorithm

1. Creating a byte array of given size
2. Transmission of the file from
localhost to Storage1 and backward
3. Transmission from Storage1 to other Grid nodes and backward
(for transmission Storage - Storage there isn't any good timing)
4. Removing test file from Storage1
5. Repeat points 2-4 for all Storages

Preferences of the speed measurement

The screenshot shows the 'Storage Management' preferences dialog. On the left, a sidebar lists various options like General, Help, Install/Update, Run/Debug, Team, UNICORE (Grid Browser, Jobs, Security), Storage Management (selected), Storage Priority, Terminal, and Workflows. A search bar at the top says 'type filter text'. The main panel has a title 'Storage Management' and a subtitle 'Storage management preferences.' It contains sections for 'Time measure preferences' (Size of history times: 5, Size of test file in kilo bytes: 1024, Measure interval in minutes: 10), 'Time measure colors' (color swatches for 0 KB/s, 101 KB/s, 301 KB/s, and infinity), and two limit sliders for Red-Yellow and Yellow-Green thresholds. At the bottom are 'Restore Defaults', 'Apply', 'Cancel', and 'OK' buttons.

- Memory size for the obtained measurements
- Size of the transferred file
- Frequency of starting measuring thread
- coloring preferences for results

Presented plugin vs. dSMS

URC plugin

- Requires one-time installation
- Allows you to set preferences, how to choice storage
- The additional possibility of measuring the transfer rate

dSMS

- Client-side installation is not required
- Round robin algorithm used
- None of transfer measure functionality

How the plugin can be extended?

- Move frequently used files for faster / preferred Storages
- Proposing a file transfer using many intermediate nodes where it can reduce the time of the transfer

Thank you for your attention.