



Overview of Berkeley Storage Manager (BeStMan)

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SRM v2.2 implementation

- Works on existing disk storages with posix compliant file systems
 - E.g. NFS, GPFS, GFS, PNFS, HFS+, PVFS2, Lustre, XrootdFS, Hadoop, Ibrix
- Supports multiple partitions
- Adaptable to other file systems and storages
 - Supports GridFTP access to underlying system such as REDDnet
 - Supports customized plug-in for MSS to stage/archive such as HPSS
- Easy adaptability and integration to special project environments
- Supports two deployment modes: full mode and gateway mode

Supports multiple transfer protocols

- Supports load balancing for multiple transfer servers
- Supports customized plug-in for transfer server selection with custom policy
- Works with grid-mapfile or GUMS server
- Simple installation and easy maintenance
 - Pacman installation from VDT
 - Or, installation from a downloadable tar file



Main differences between Full mode and Gateway mode



- Full implementation of SRM v2.2
- Support for dynamic space reservation
- Support for request queue management and space management
- Plug-in support for backend mass storage systems

- Support for essential subset of SRM v2.2
- Support for pre-defined and pre-allocated space tokens
- Faster performance without queue and space management
- Scalable multiple deployments



Who is BeStMan for?



- Sites that need SRM interface to their local storage resources
- Sites with POSIX compliant file systems
- Sites that need performance
- Sites with limited resources
- Community support
 - CMS, ATLAS, STAR, ESG, ...



A few hints on what BeStMan can do



- BeStMan can restrict all user access to certain directory paths through configuration
- BeStMan can be configured to restrict user access to files by owners/creators only
- A site can customize the load-balancing mechanism for transfer servers through plug-in
- A site can customize the file system i/o mechanism for special file system or storage system through plug-in
- A site can extend the plug-in for external archival storage systems
- Dynamic deployment and personal SRM
 - If the target host does not have an SRM, BeStMan can be downloaded, installed, configured, and started with a few commands (or a script) by the end-user for his/her own BeStMan.
- Works with other SRM v2.2 server and client implementations



Summary



- BeStMan is an implementation of SRM v2.2.
 - Works with posix compliant file systems
 - Scalable performance with Gateway mode on some file systems and storage
 - Can be extended to support custom file system i/o and external archival storage
 - Some policies can be customized
- Install/maintain through VDT or tar file
- Works with other SRM v2.2 implementations
 - Servers: CASTOR, dCache, DPM, StoRM, SRM/SRB
 - Clients: PhEDEx, FTS, glite-url-copy, lcg-cp, srm-copy, srmcp, ...
 - In OSG, WLCG/EGEE, ESG, ...



Documents and Support



OSG Storage documentation

https://twiki.grid.iu.edu/twiki/bin/view/Storage/WebHome

BeStMan

- http://sdm.lbl.gov/bestman
- http://hep-t3.physics.umd.edu/HowToForAdmins.html#osgBestman
- http://wt2.slac.stanford.edu/xrootdfs/bestman-gateway.html
- http://osg-test2.unl.edu/documentation/hadoop/bestman-hdfs
- https://www.usatlas.bnl.gov/twiki/bin/view/Admins/BestMan
- https://twiki.grid.iu.edu/bin/view/ReleaseDocumentation/Bestman
- https://twiki.grid.iu.edu/bin/view/ReleaseDocumentation/BestmanGateway
- https://twiki.grid.iu.edu/bin/view/ReleaseDocumentation/BestmanOnCE
- https://twiki.grid.iu.edu/bin/view/ReleaseDocumentation/BestmanGatewayXrootd

SRM Collaboration and SRM Specifications

http://sdm.lbl.gov/srm-wg

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