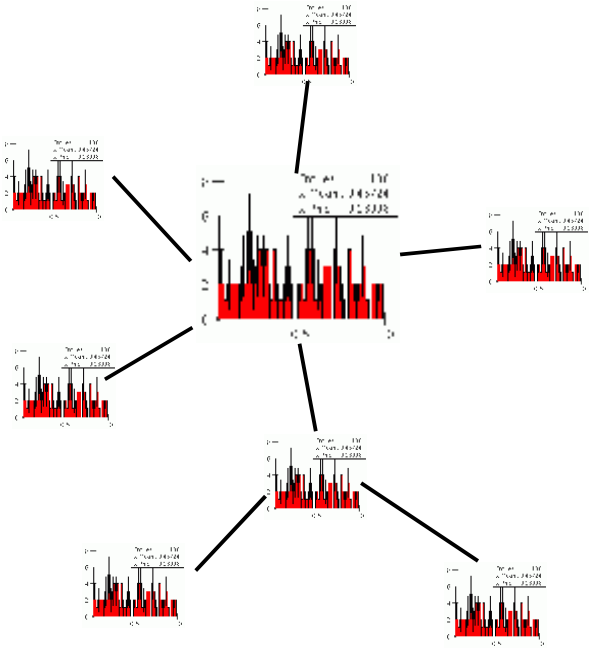
Web Service for Event Metadata

- Foundations:
  - ColManWS
  - ColManWSClient
  - AIDA TLD
- Applications:
  - API (access from code)
  - WWW (access from browser)
  - GUI (access from studio)

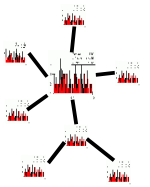
Work is based on AIDA interface to AttributeList implemented by SQLTuple and ColMan packages.



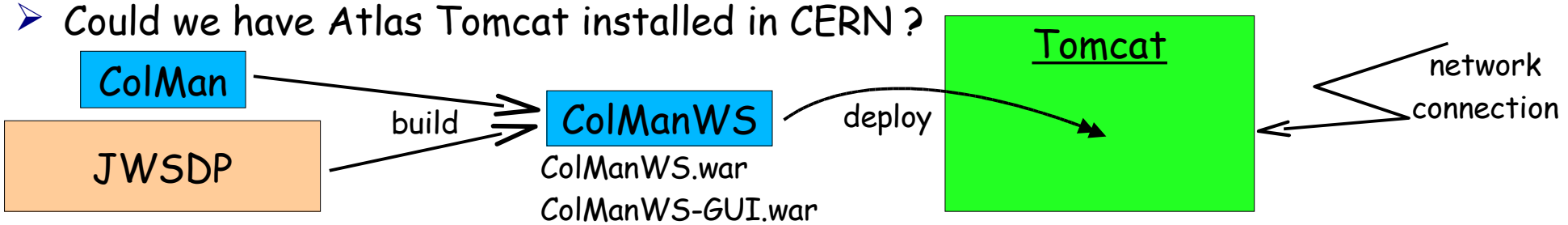
- Distributed Event Metadata Architecture

J.Hrivnac/LAL for Atlas SW WS, February 2005 in CERN

Foundation: ColManWS

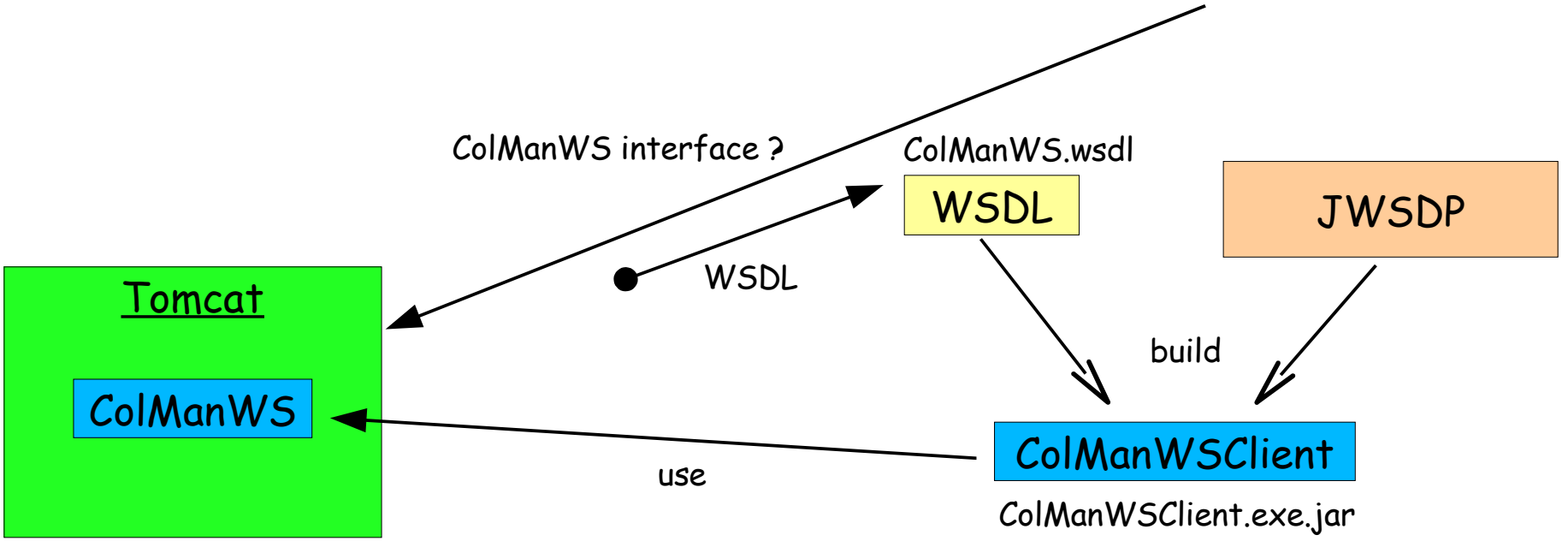


- ColManWS is a Web Service wrapper over ColMan, it contains two services:
  - ColMan.war to be used via XML-RPC (for example by ColManWSClient),
  - ColMan-GUI.war to be used directly from the Web Browser.
- ColManWS is build using JWSDP (Java Web Service Development Package) 1.5.
  - JWSDP is one of the best Web Service Frameworks, it is already installed within Atlas release.
  - Other WebService frameworks could be used too, e.g. Axis.
- ColManWS WAR files (ColMan.war and ColMan-GUI.war) are deployed in Tomcat 5.0 Web Container.
  - Tomcat is the most widespread Web Container.
  - Other standard Web Containers could be used too to deploy the same war files.
  - Could we have Atlas Tomcat installed in CERN ?

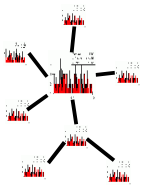


Foundation: ColManWSClient

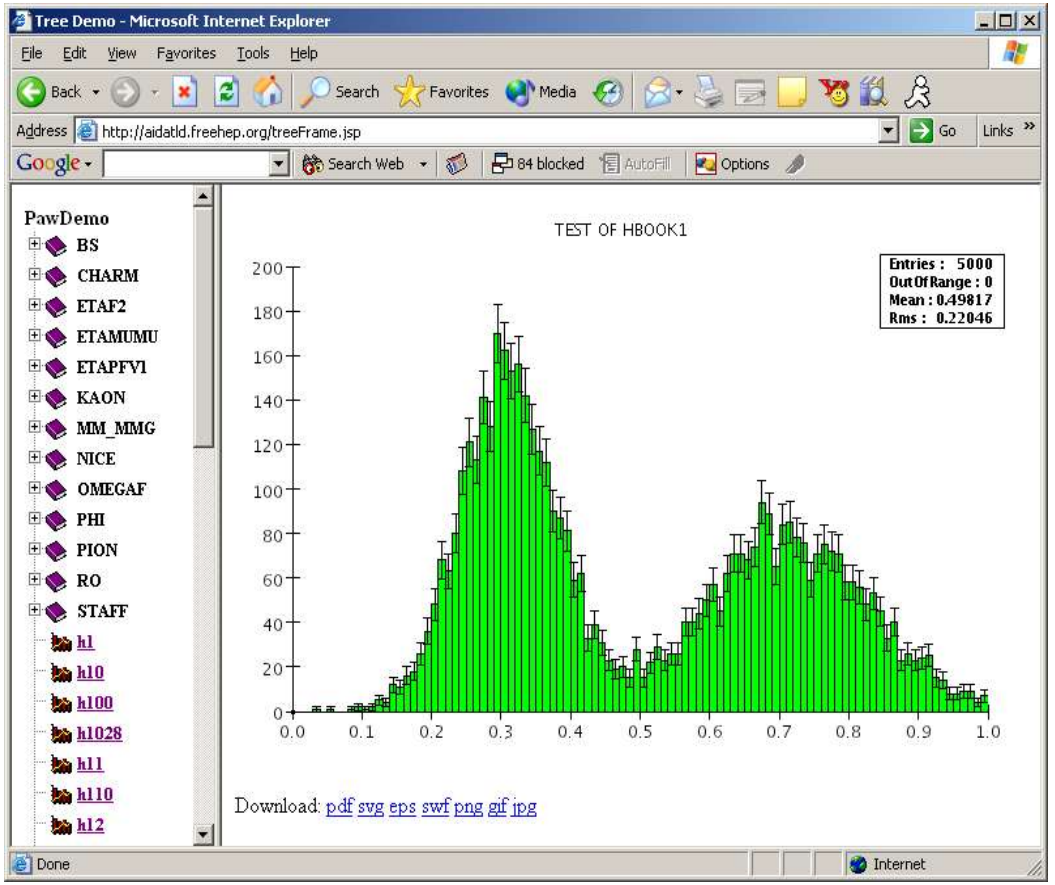
- ColManWSClient is an example of client to ColManWS.
- Other clients (in many languages) can be easily build from WSDL specification using JWSDP or other Web Service Framework.



Foundation: AIDATLD (AIDA Tag Library)



- AIDA Tag Library allows access to standard AIDA objects from JSP (Java Server pages). If you know AIDA, you can immediateoly use AIDATLD.
- In JSP, one can mix HTML, XML defined by Tag Libraries and pure Java code.
- All processing is performed on the server, steered from the client.

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<%@taglib prefix="c"
          uri="http://java.sun.com/jsp/jstl/core" %>
<%@taglib prefix="aida"
          uri="http://java.freehep.org/jsp/aida" %>
<html>
  <head>
    <title>AIDA Tree from XRootd</title>
    </head>
  <body>
    <c:set var="rootDataURI"
           value="root://demo.cern.ch/demo.root"/>
    <c:set var="histoPath"
           value="/h110"/>
 <aida:plotter>
      <aida:region>
        <aida:plot dataSourceURI="${rootDataURI}"
                   plotObjectPath="${histoPath}"/>
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      </aida:plotter>
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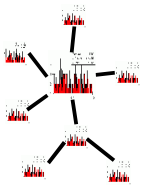
Application: API



- ColManWS (ColMan.jar), deployed in Tomcat, exports EventSelector WSDL.
- ColManWSClient uses that WSDL to create everything needed to access ColManWS EventSelector via XML-RPC protocol.
- Similar clients could be created in other languages.
- Processing currently ends with Pool Tokens; once LCG provides a Web Service for their mapping to files, further processing will be possible. (Maybe Clarens Pool-Light catalog Web Service could be used.)

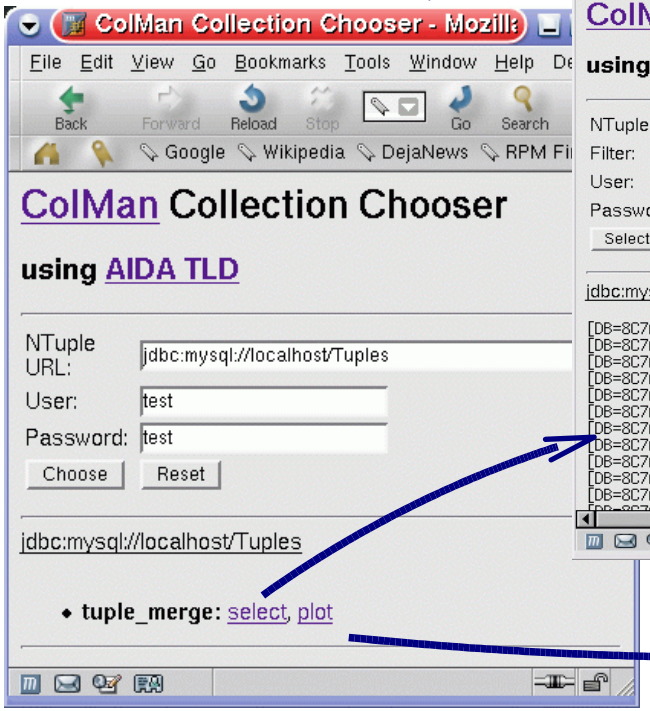
created automatically from ColManWS WSDL

```
Stub stub = (new EventSelector_Impl()).getEventSelectorWSPort();
stub._setProperty(javax.xml.rpc.Stub.ENDPOINT_ADDRESS_PROPERTY, webServiceUrl);
EventSelectorWS selector = (EventSelectorWS)stub;
Object[] tokens = selector.select(collectionUrl,
                                  queryString,
                                  user,
                                  password);
for (Object token : tokens) {
  System.out.println(token);
  }
```

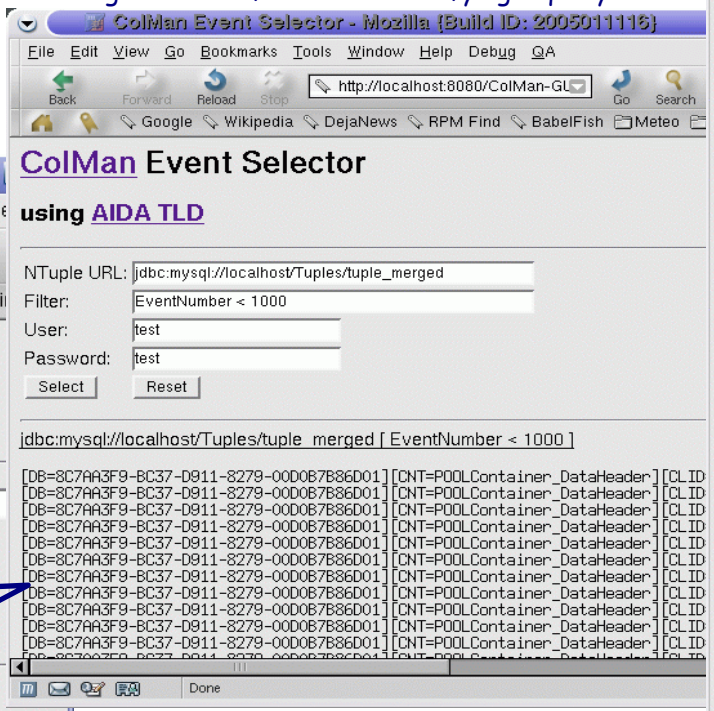
Application: WWW

- ColManWS (ColMan-GUI.jar), deployed in Tomcat, can be accessed directly from the Web Browser.
- Almost all ColMan and AIDA operations can be made available.

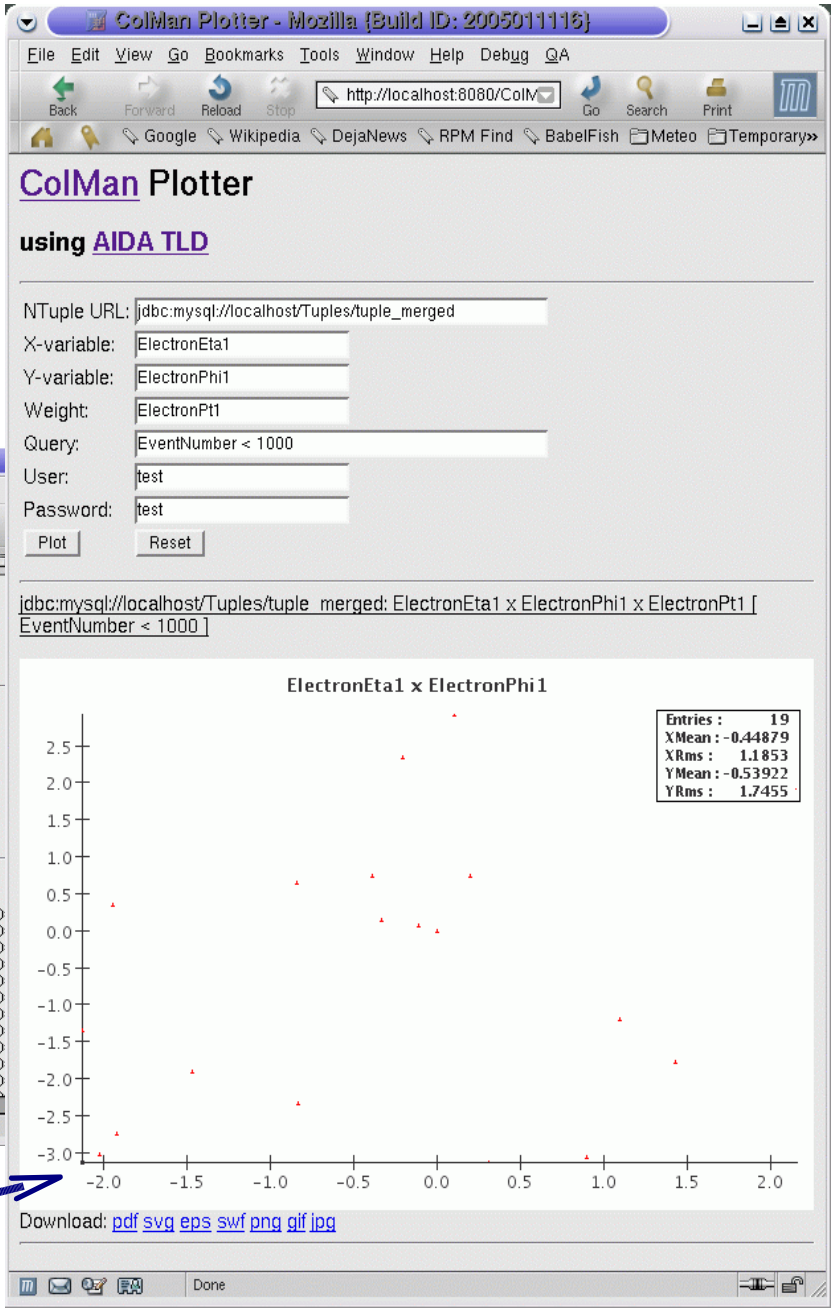
get all AttributeList NTuples from an SQL database (either one database or cluster of databases via C-JDBC virtual server)



get Tokens for events satisfying a query

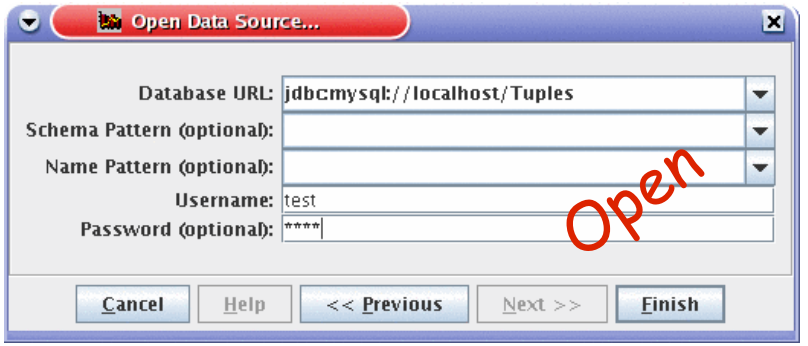


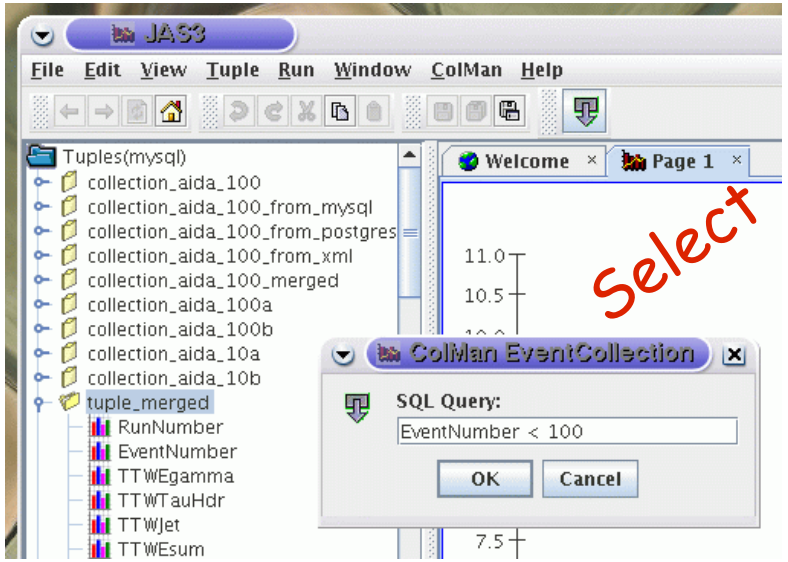
plot selected attributes

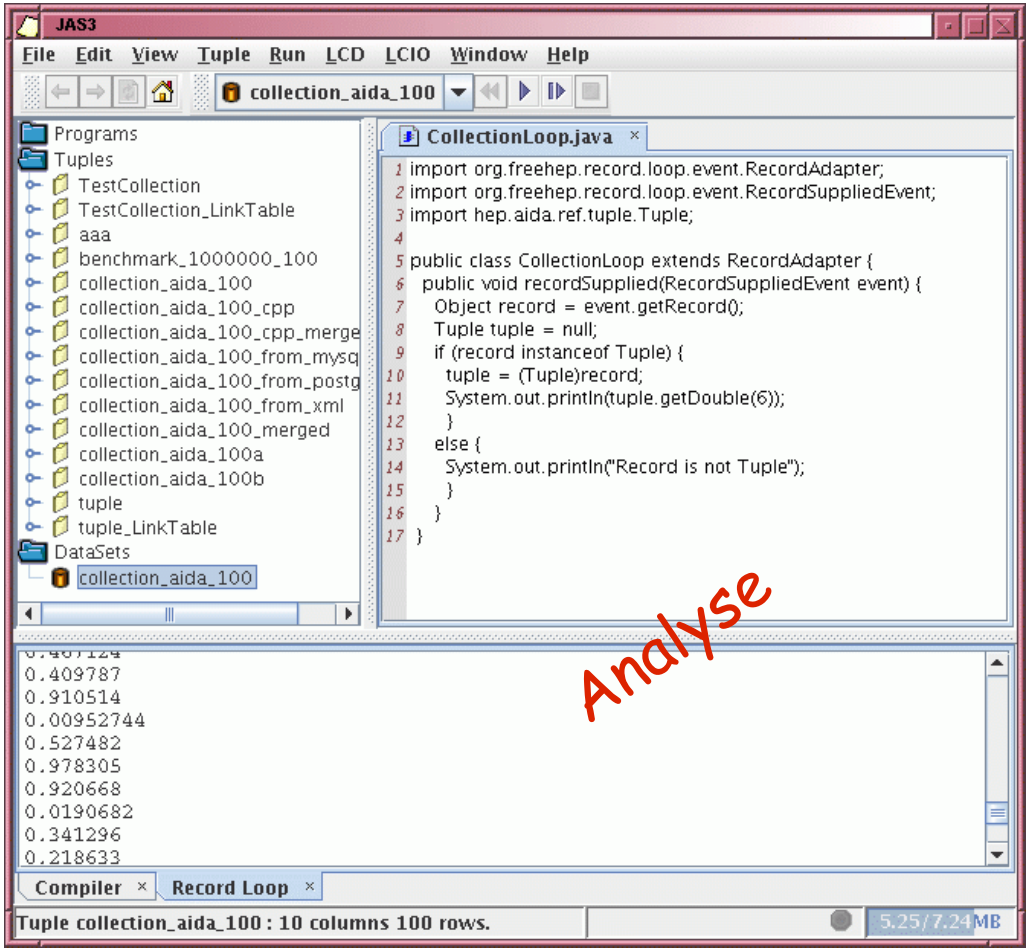


Application: GUI

- Most SQLTuple/ColMan functionality is available remotely from JAS3 via ColMan plugin using JDBC protocol.
- All operations can be performed from GUI or supported (scripting) languages (Java, Python, PNuts,...).







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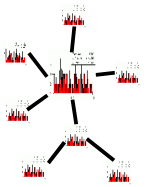

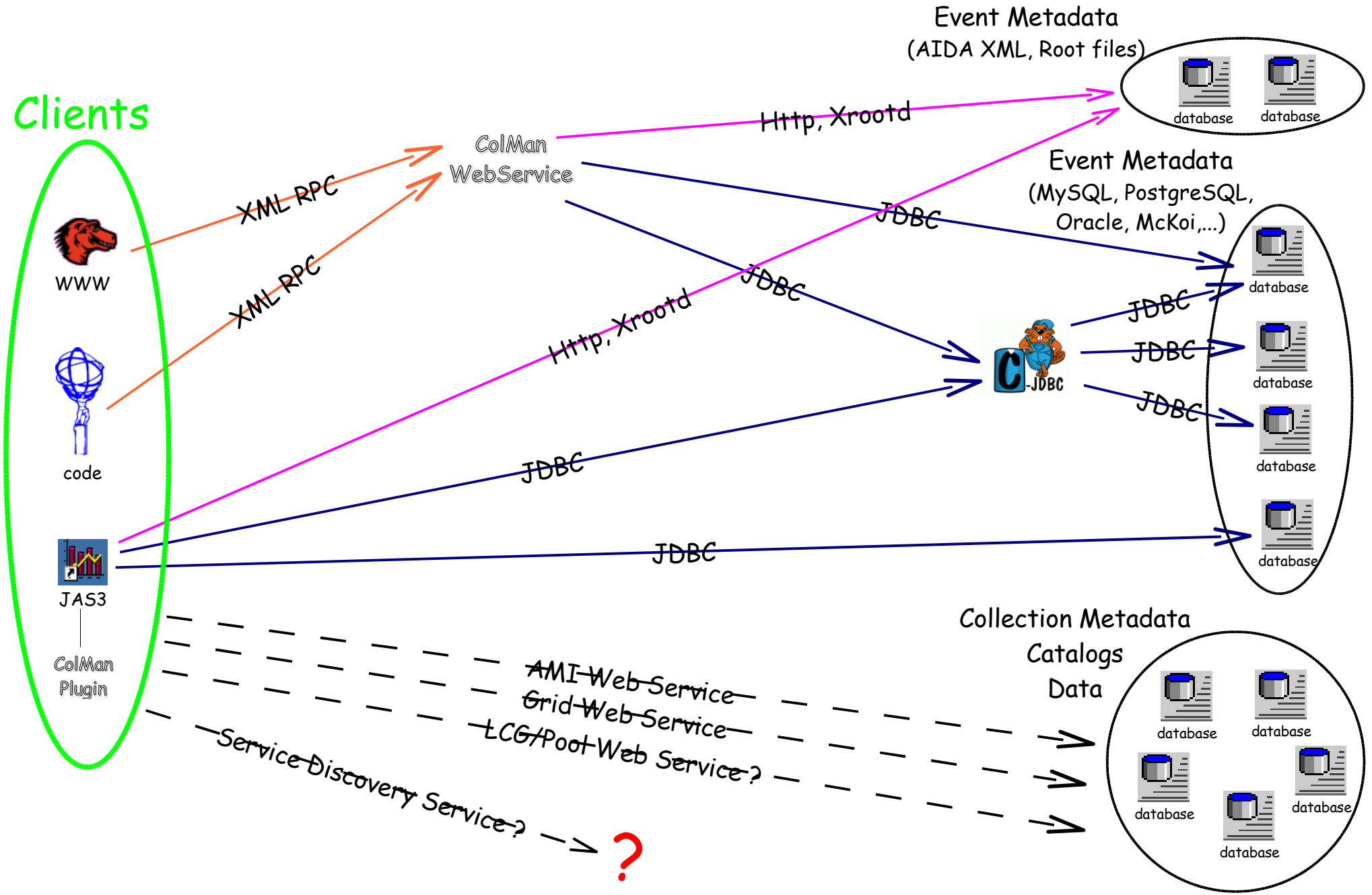

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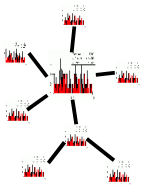
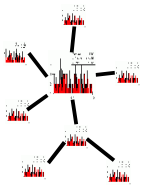


- Distributed architecture is sometimes claimed to be slow. That is almost always because the wrong technology is used (for example SOAP to access bulk data).
- There are many standard protocols for distributed operations: SOAP, XML-RPC, JDBC, RMI, HTTP, Xrootd, etc. The right one should be chosen with respect to its
  - functionality,
  - performance,
  - interoperability.
- All functionality should be available using non-proprietary standard protocol.
- GAE Clarens (from CMS) already has a lot of that functionality, could we reuse it ? Or maybe ARDA ?

Summary, Links



- Various ways of distributed access to Event Metadata are ready to be deployed; new clients can be quickly implemented.
- Standard solutions are heavily (re)used, there is very little of new code.
- All that works on any Linux, MacOSX, Windows etc. and it doesn't care what gcc & glibc happens to be installed. (Most of it actualy works even on PDA and Mobile Phones.)
- More:
  - ColManWS:
    - http://home.cern.ch/hrivnac/Activities/Packages/ColManWS
  - ColManWSClient:
    - http://home.cern.ch/hrivnac/Activities/Packages/ColManWSClient
  - AIDATLD:
    - http://aidatld.freehep.org
  - JAS3:
    - http://jas.freehep.org/jas3
  - SQLTuple, ColMan, AIDA, C-JDBC,... in Dec'04 SW WS presentation.