

User interaction and workflow management in Grid enabled e-VLBI experiments

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Outline

- **Motivation for distributed correlation**
- **E-VLBI System in practice**
- **E-VLBI system behind the scene**
- **Summary**

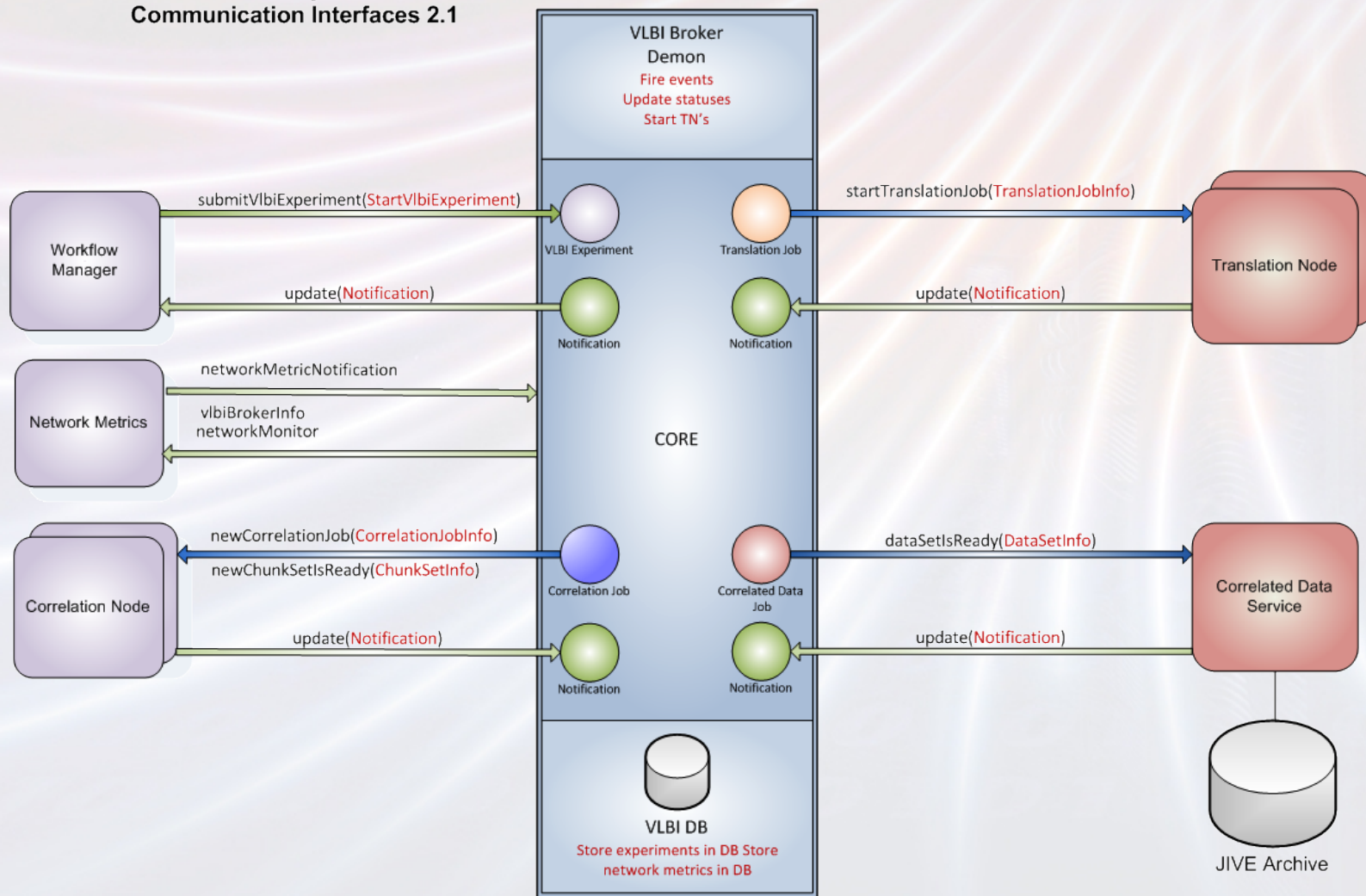
First glance at distributed correlation

- Data can be transferred over the network
- Each stage of the process can be speeded up
- GRID resources available
- Software correlator available







E-VLBI System

E-VLBI System
Communication Interfaces 2.1



How to conduct an experiment

-  Creating observation workflow using WFM application
-  Submitting observation workflow for execution in the Grid environment
-  Workflow execution
-  Monitoring the VLBI experiment

Observation workflow

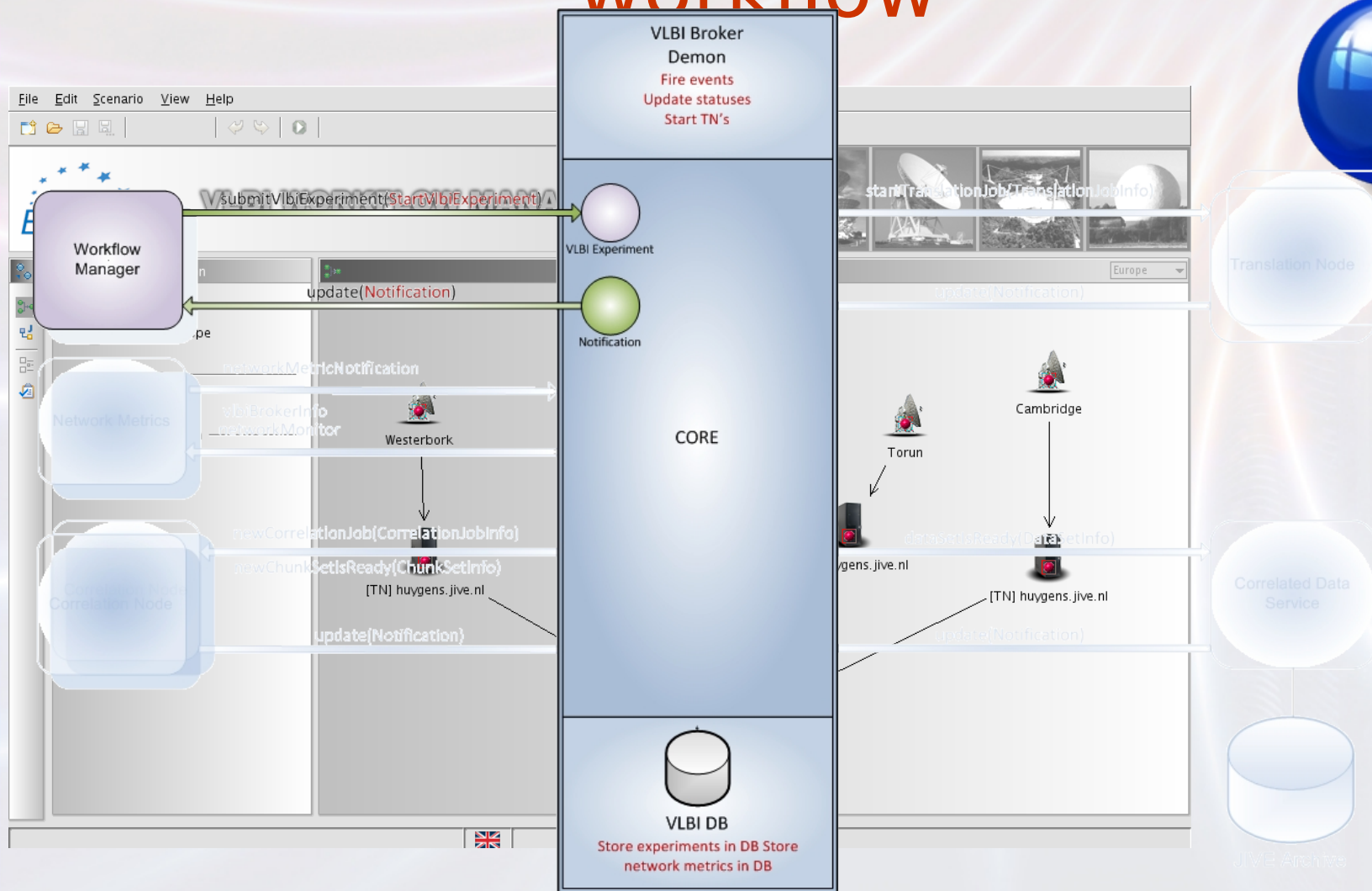
Constructed:

- by VLBI operator
- based on the observation schedule (VEX)
- with Workflow Manager Application (WFM)



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Submitting the observation workflow



Workflow execution



Divided into the following phases:

1. Chunking data from radio telescopes
2. Submitting chunked data sets for correlation
3. Archiving the correlated data sets

(1) Workflow execution: chunking



Radio
telescope A

VLBI Data Stream



Translation
Node A



VLBI Data chunks



Radio
telescope B

VLBI Data Stream

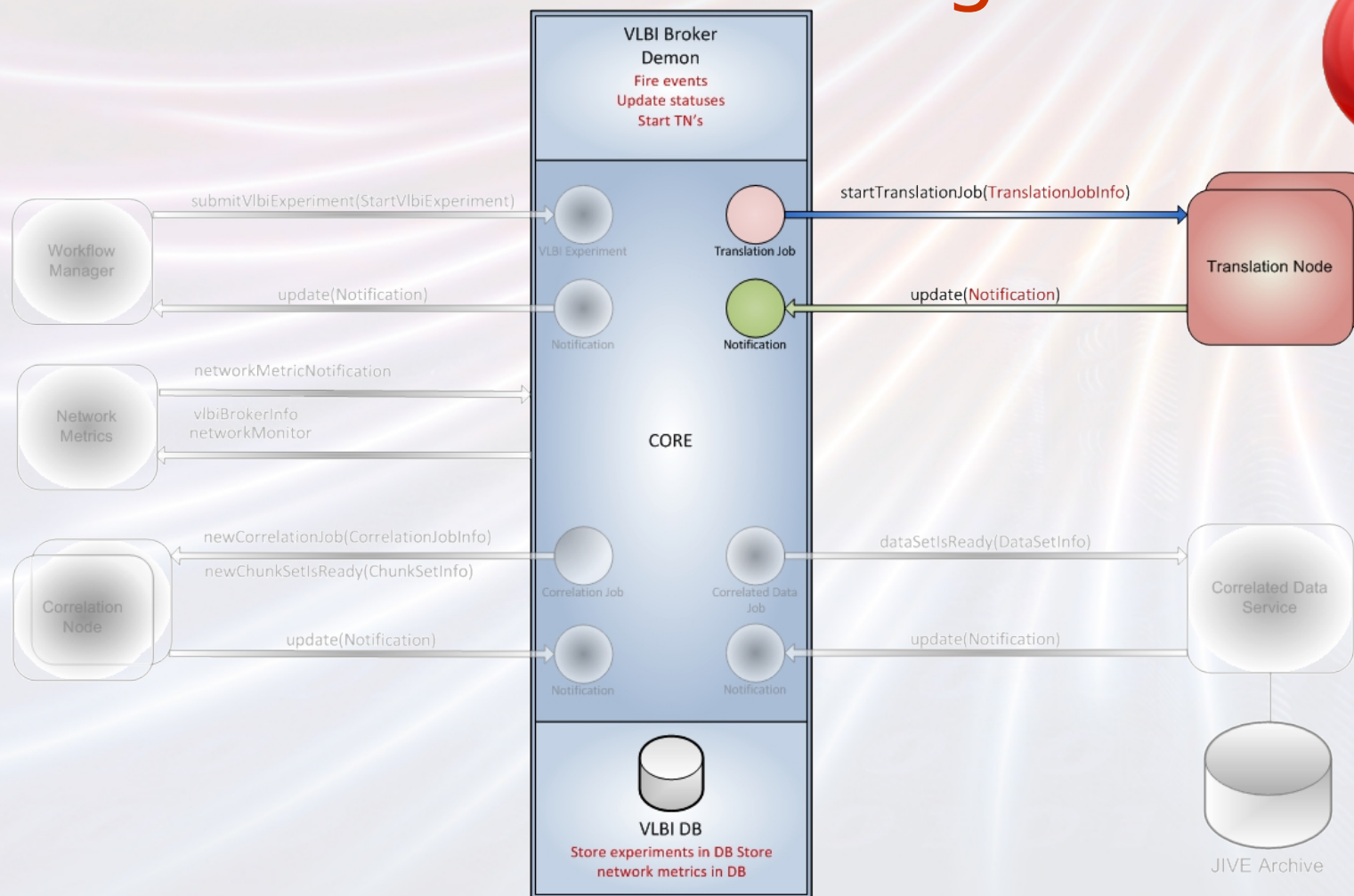


Translation
Node B

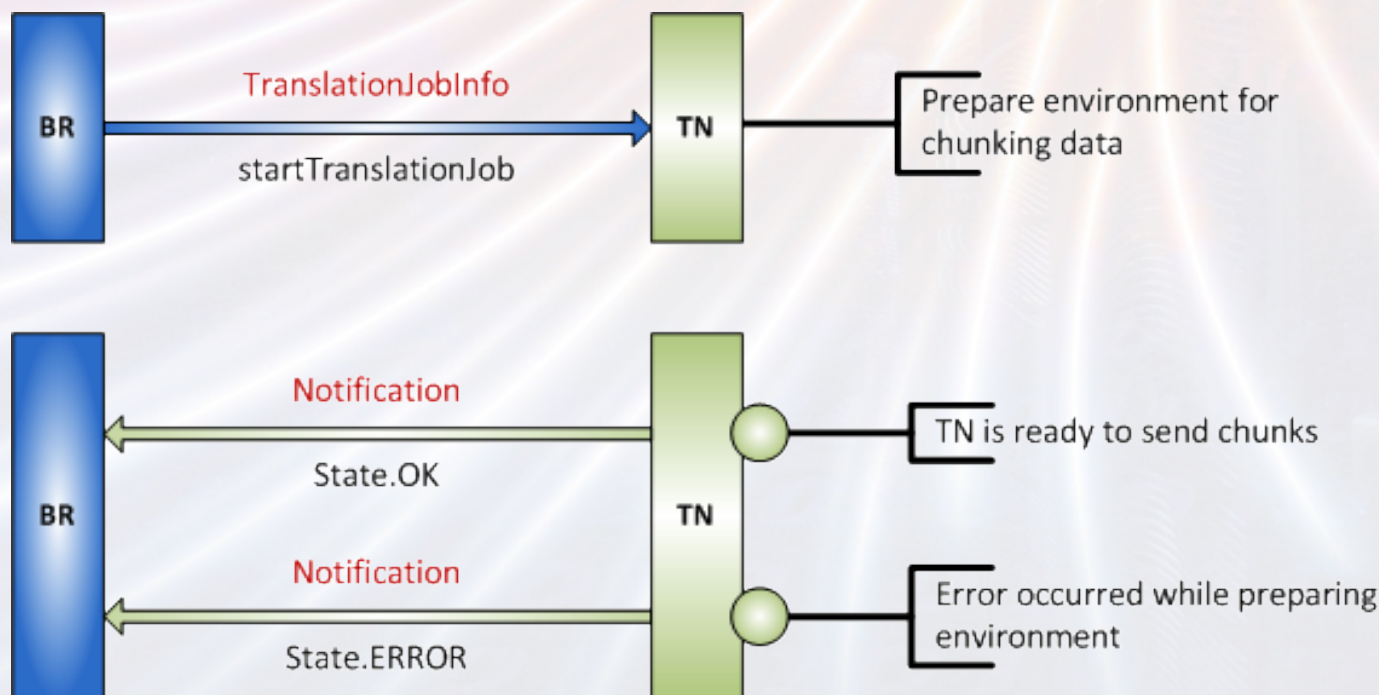
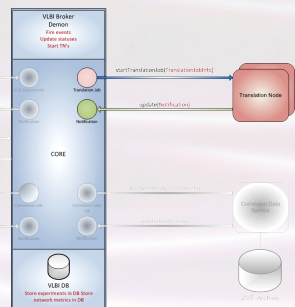


VLBI Data chunks

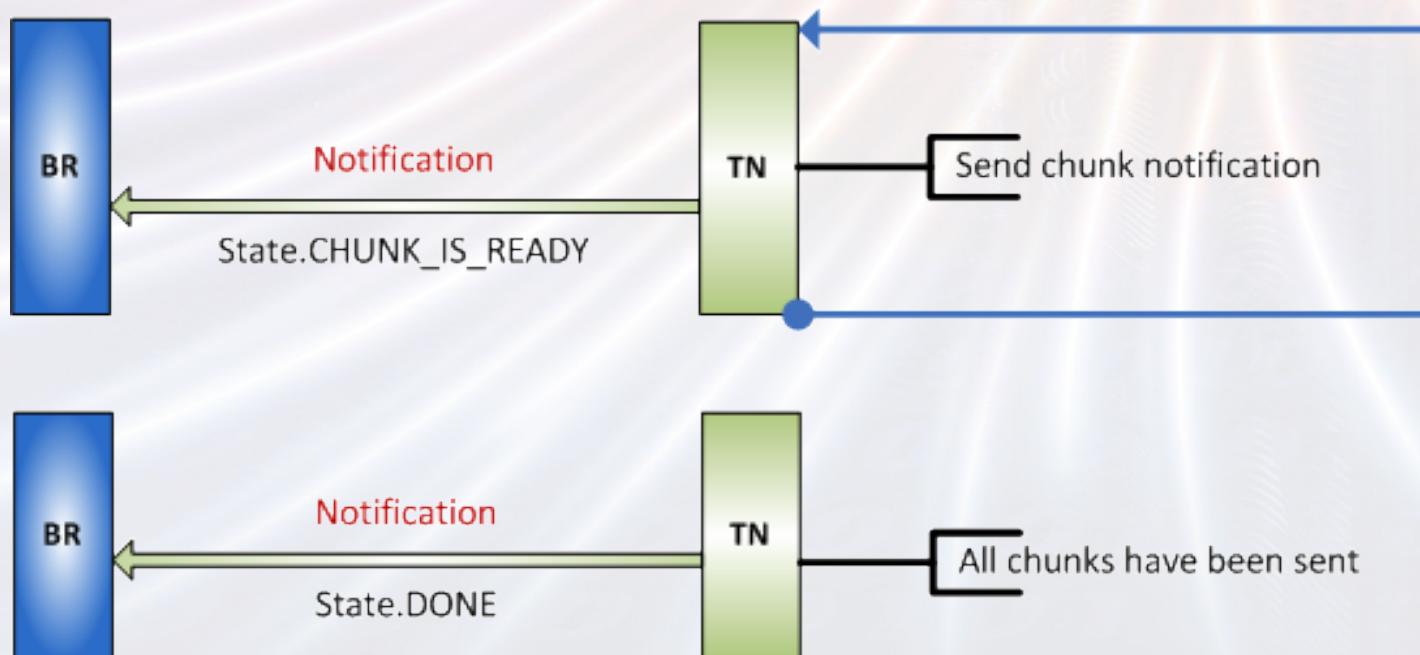
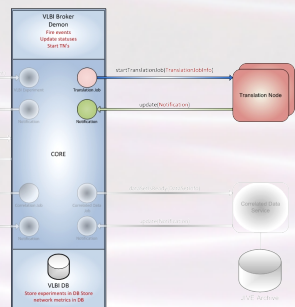
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(1) Workflow execution: chunking process (Translation Node)



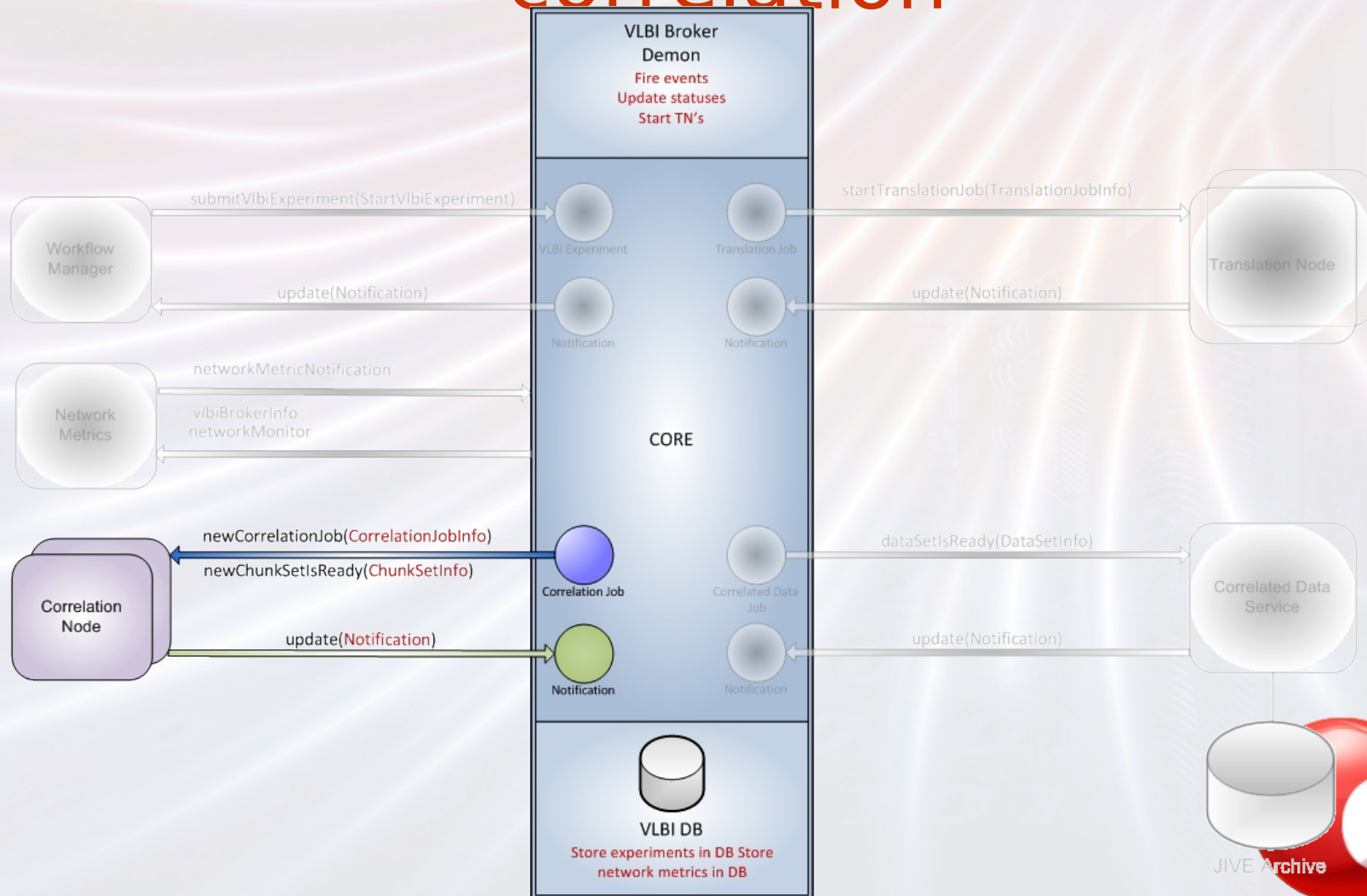
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(2) Workflow execution: correlation

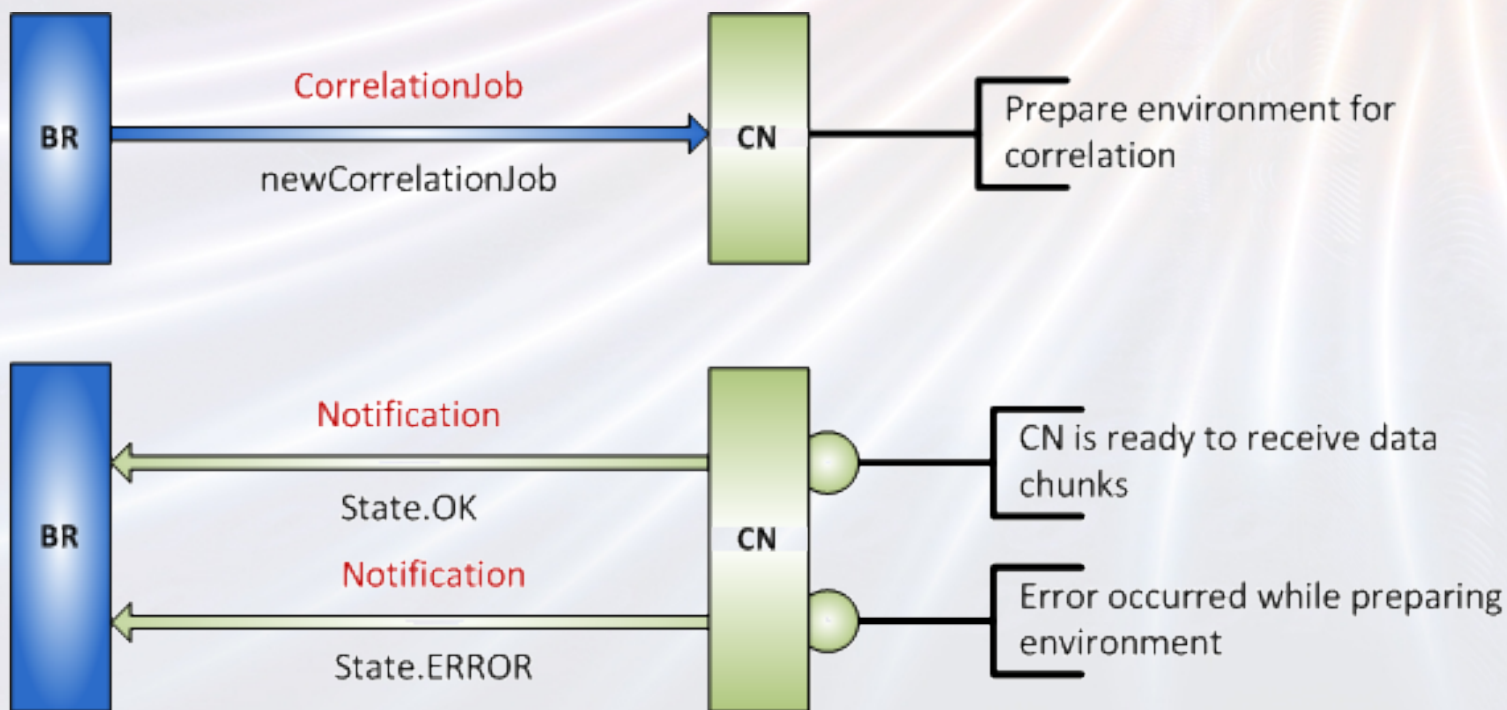
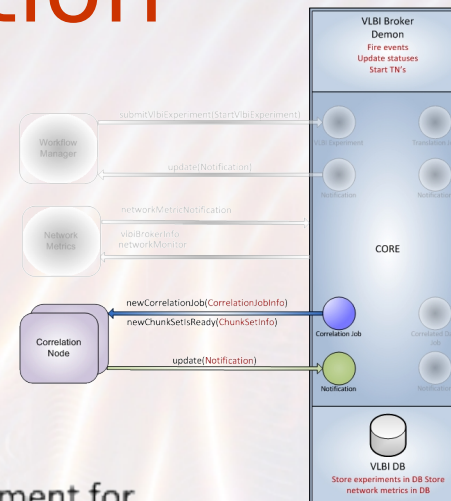
- First data chunks are available
- Step, where the real correlation takes place
- Computation on the Grid resources

(2) Workflow execution: correlation

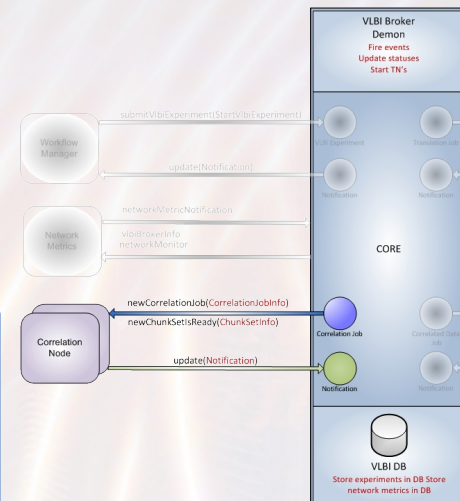
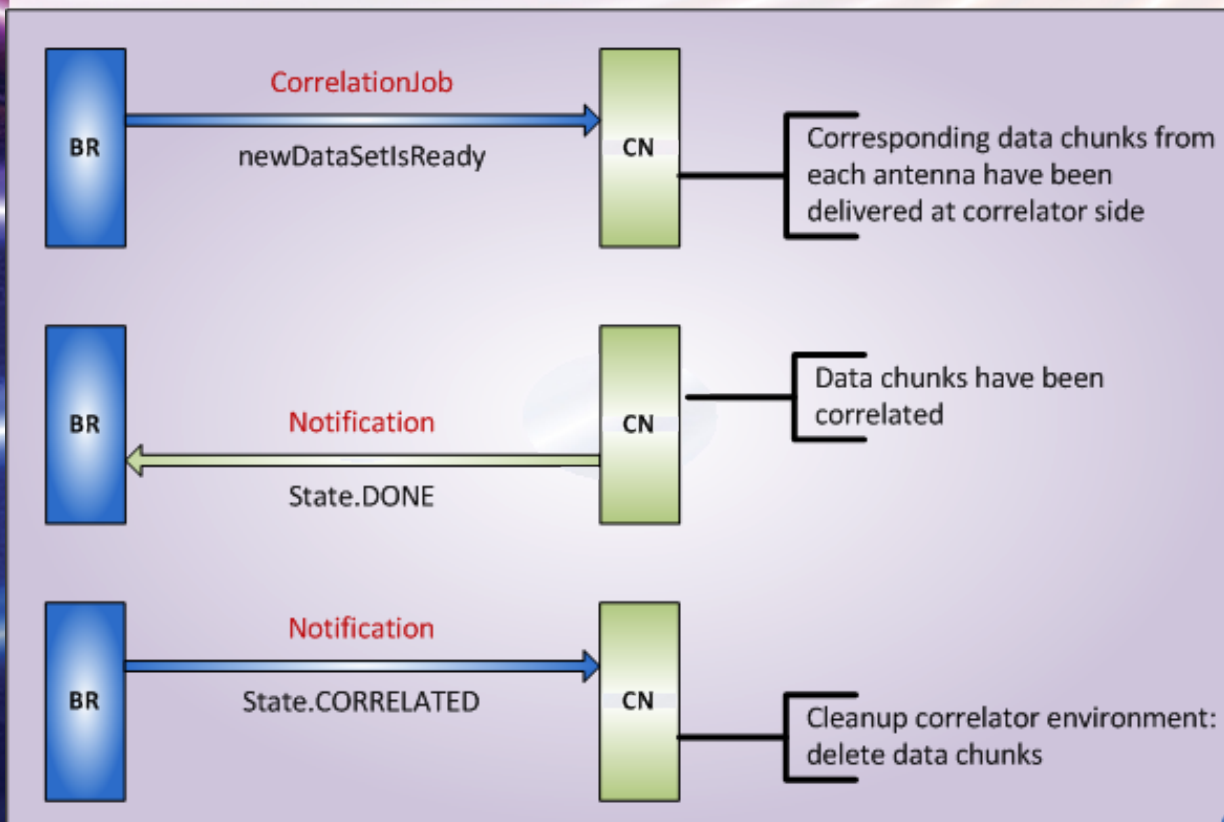


(2) Workflow execution

scheduling correlation jobs with Correlation Node ..



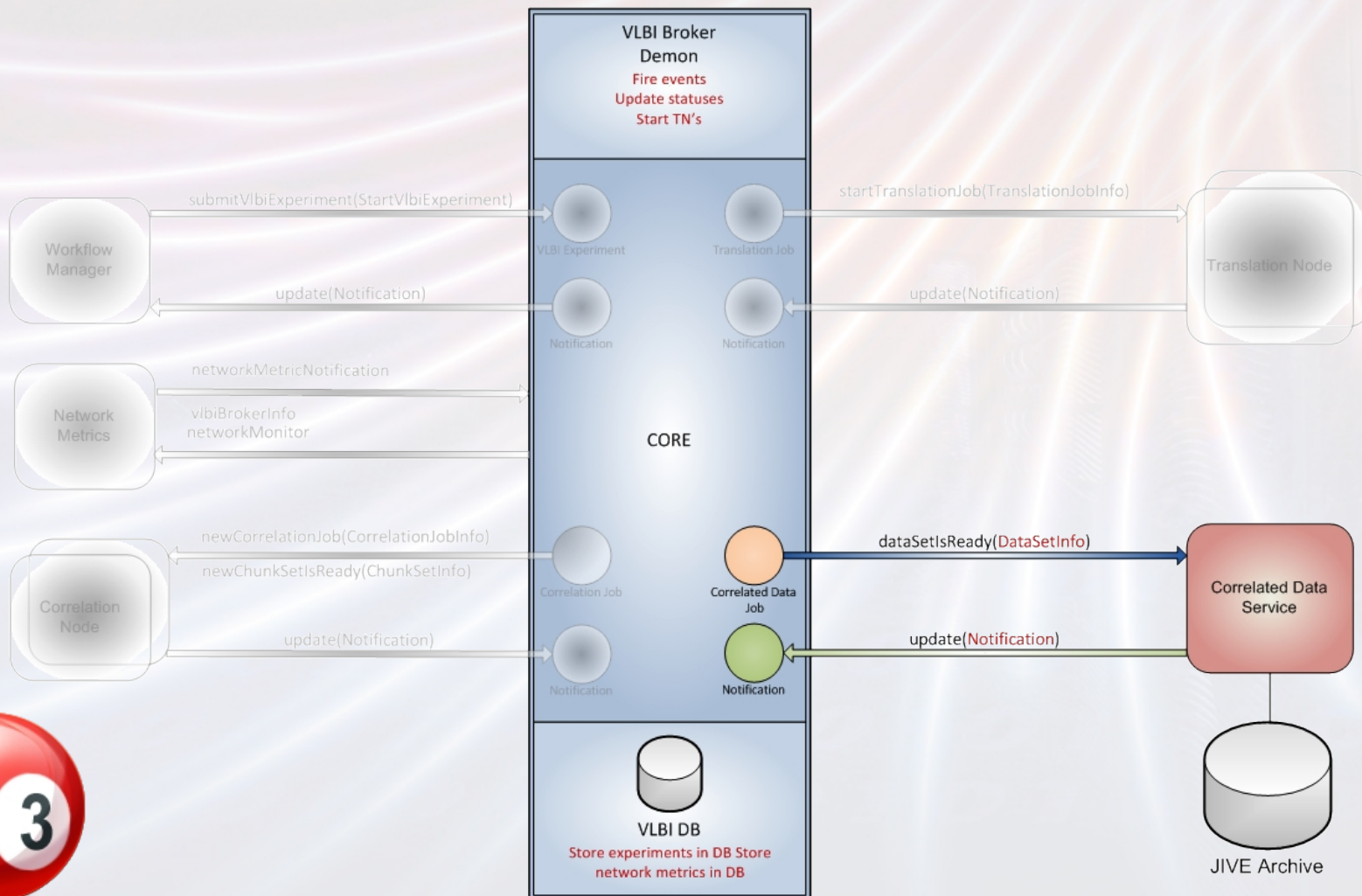
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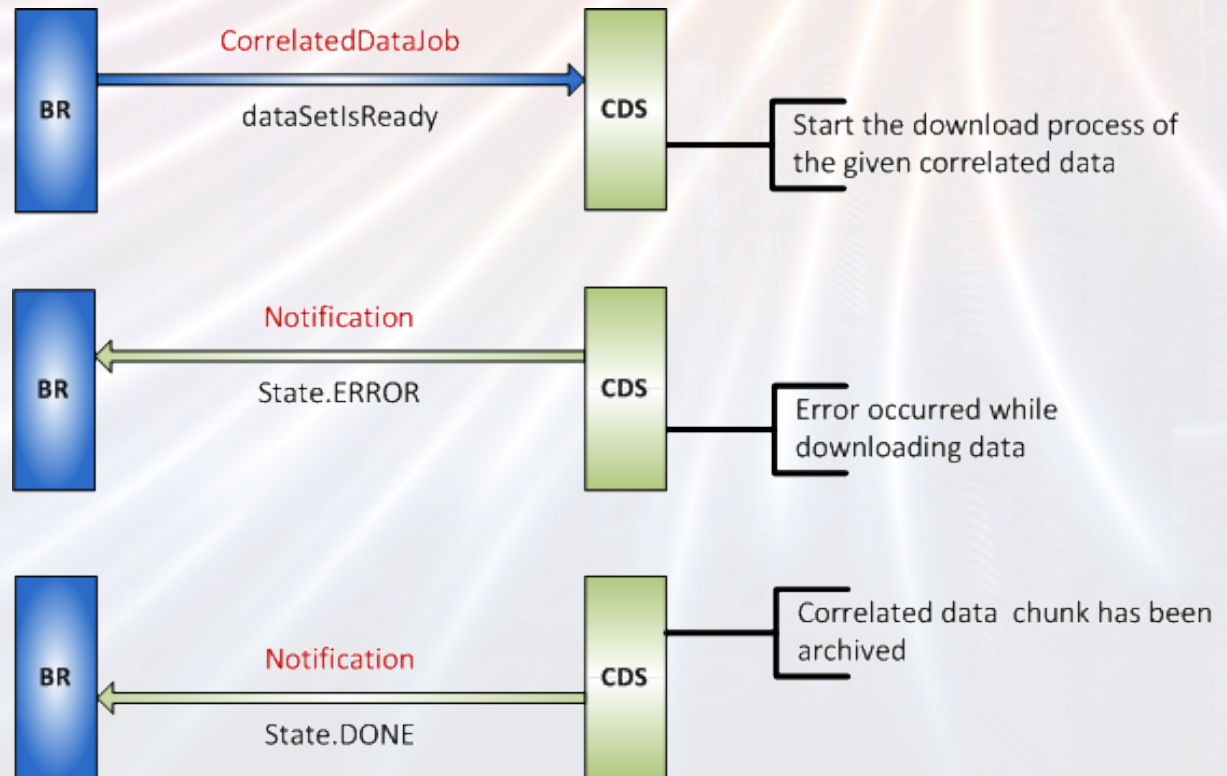
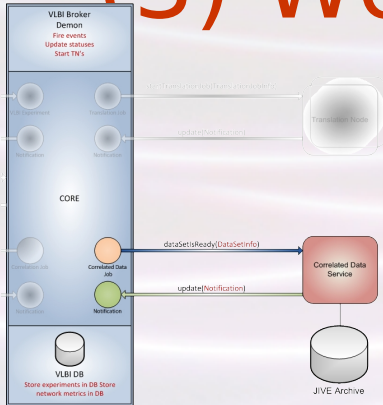
(3) Workflow execution: archive

- First data sets have been correlated
- Store correlated data with Correlated Data Service (CDS)
- Clean up the Grid resources

(3) Workflow execution: archive



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Workflow monitoring



- Possibility to monitor the distributed correlation
- Monitoring perspective in WFM application
- Currently not available

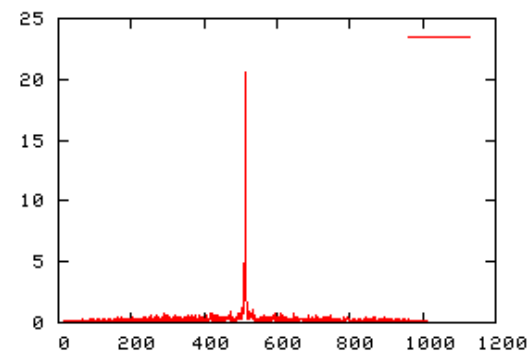
Success story

- Successful correlation with 2 clusters (PSNC)
- One File Server (Jive)
- Stations: Westerbork, Medicina, Torun, Cambridge

Success story (2)

[Vex file](#) -- Integration time: 1 s -- Start of the integration: 2008y070d18h30m14s0ms

N08C1	Auto correlations				Cross correlations					
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