LHCb Operations Report

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Outline

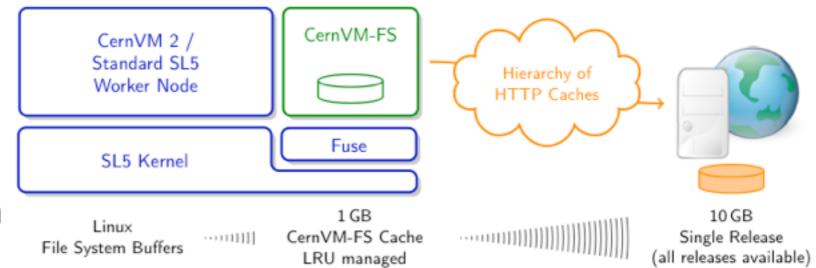
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News

- CVMFS used in production at some T1s
- Due to shortage of disk space re-visiting of the computing model
 - Distribute dst data only on T0 + 3 T1s
- Launched activity on data consistency checks

CVMFS

- CVMFS is simplifies software deployment to grid sites
- Some T1 sites have switched for LHCb usage
 - NIKHEF in production for whole quarter
 - Seamless migration last week at PIC



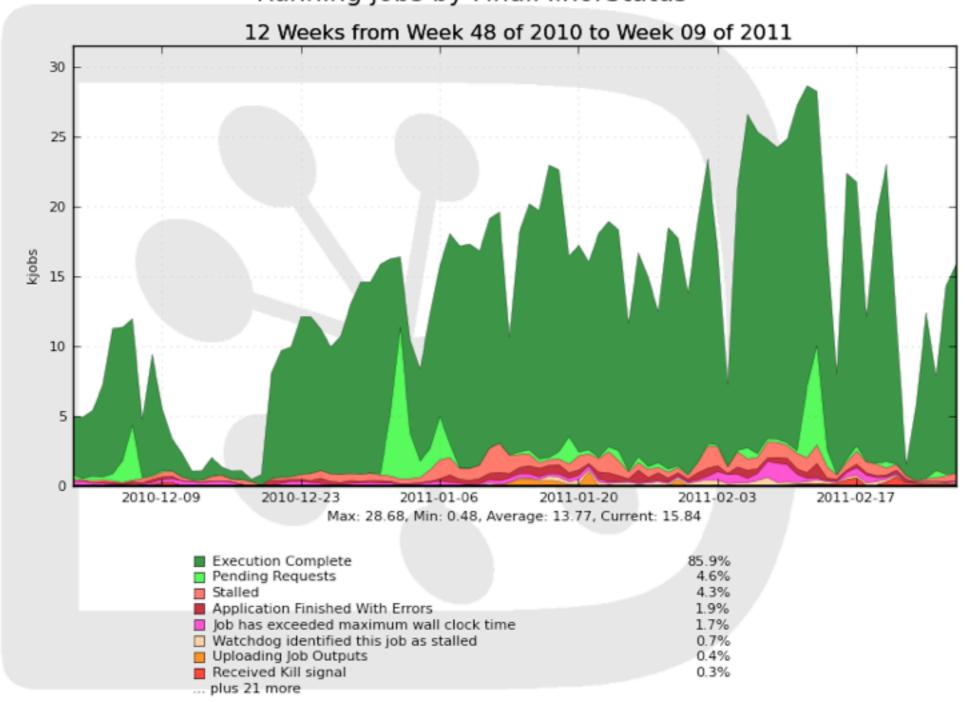
- RAL and CNAF are currently testing it
- Very good performance only I issue (see later)

Operations Activities

- Production:
 - Bulk of operations were MC production
 - For this quarter both on T0/Is and T2s
 - Re-stripping of some charm channels
- SAM / Nagios migration almost finished
 - DIRAC SAM jobs to be done by April

Parallel Jobs executed

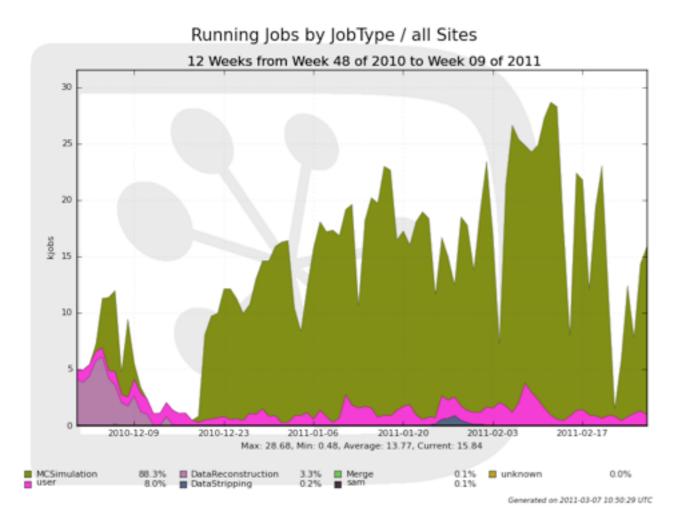
Running jobs by FinalMinorStatus

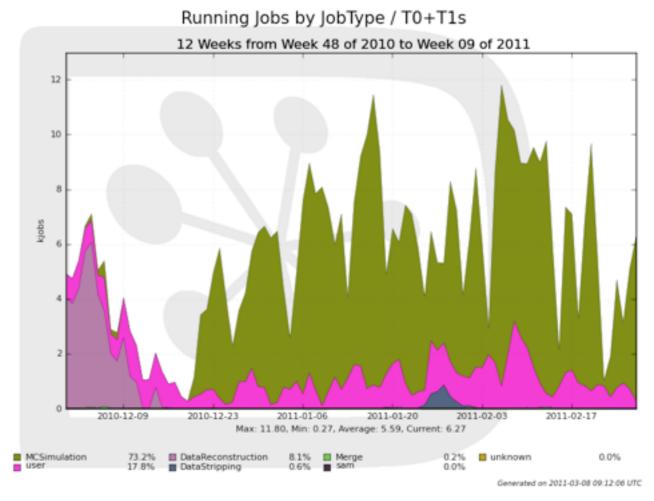


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Site activities

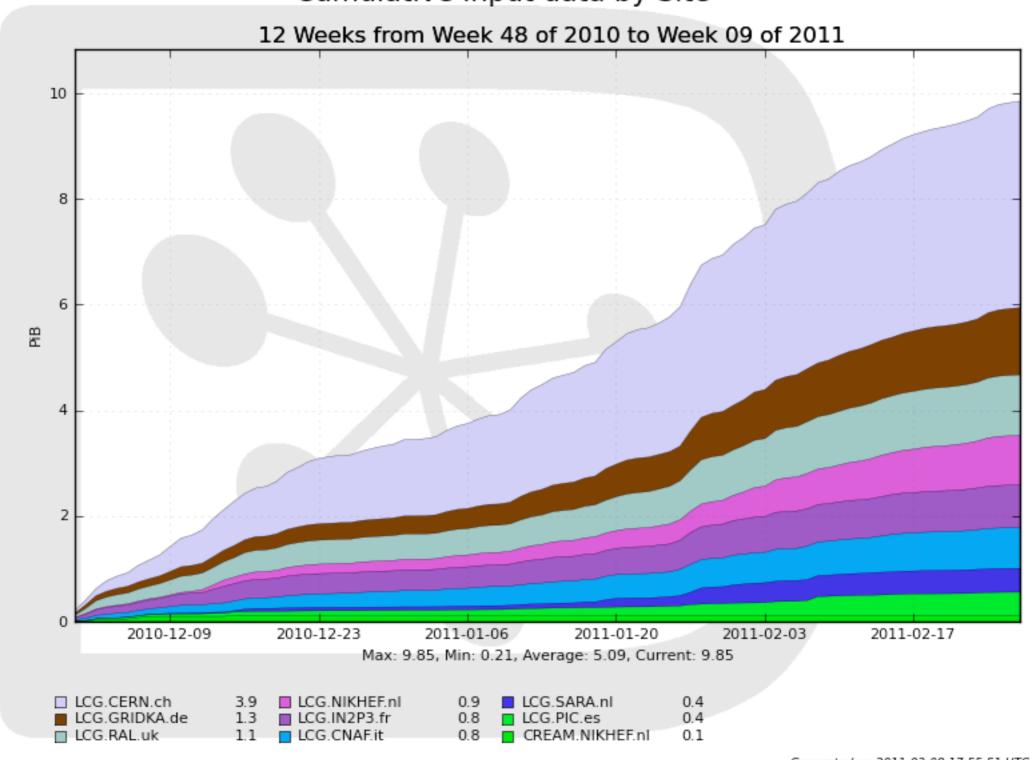
- Mainly MC production
 - shared ~ 50/50 between T0/T1 and T2s





Data Management

Cumulative Input data by Site



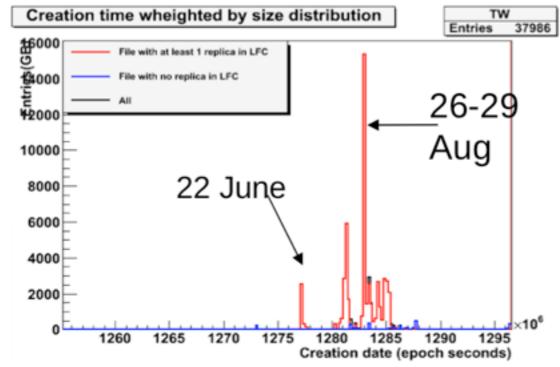
Data Consistency

Activity on data consistency was started

Found discrepancies (Storage>LFC) in production (up to

5%) and user (~ 13%) space

 The mismatches in production can be mapped on e.g. service outages during data removal



 New tools have been developed in Dirac to automatise the checking of data consistency in the future

GGUS tickets summary

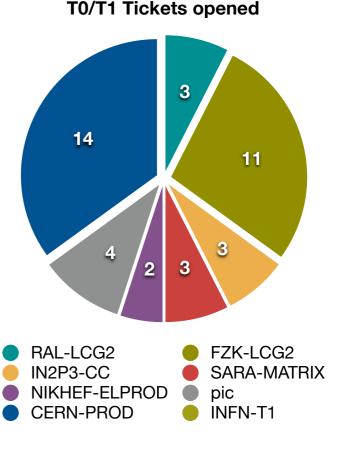
Reference period I. Dec '10 - 28. Feb '11

- 103 tickets in total (previous Qs 152, 203)
 - 40 T0/T1 tickets
 - 29 verified

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- 72 % within 2 days
- 4 alarm tickets (I real)





Cream CE

- I5. Feb: Cream CE I.6.4 was causing problems on job submission "truncating user DNs"
 - Observed at Gridka and Cern
 - Quickly fixed by Cream developers
- Fix was quickly deployed at concerned T1s

Infosystem

- 2. Feb: "Flickering" BDII reporting 0s for number of waiting jobs
 - The result is a flooding of the site with jobs
 - The issue was reported for GridKA and CERN
 - Solved by tuning the GIP system

Runtime environment

- Since Jan: Especially for sites with afs shared software area the setup of the runtime environment occasionally times out
 - This is due to a high number of file operations during the setup step
 - IN2P3 has made some investigations and have fixed the problem. At CERN the problem still persists.
 - The final solution will be a re-engineering of this process

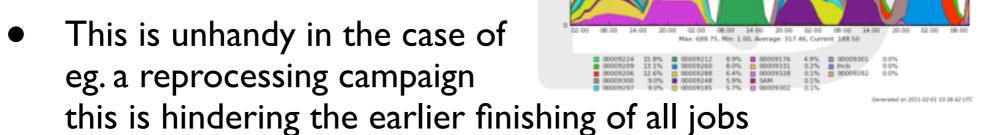
Sawfish pattern

I. Feb.: In case of under-used sites LHCb had lots of concurrent

82 Hours from 2011-01-29 00:00 to 2011-02-01 10:00 UTC

jobs running

 Resulted in early using up of the fair share for the reference period thus no jobs for the rest



- Too many parallel jobs also possibly kill the storage
- Thanks to sites which have granted an extension of the fair share period

Other Issues @ Tier Is

- 19. Jan, NIKHEF, problem after cvmfs version upgrade, new patch fixed it
- 27. Jan + I. Feb, GridKA, shared area not accessible because of configuration problems
- 28. Jan, IN2P3, staging of files took too long and jobs were not finding the files online, thus stopped

Other Issues @ Tier Is

- 6. + 20. Feb, GridKA, srm problems, because of outdated CRLs and dcache db corruption
- 7. Feb, GridKA, infosys wrong configured submitting to CREAM instead of LCG CE
- 8. Feb, NIKHEF, jobs got killed, partly because of memory limits and partly nfs mount was lost

CERN

- 12. Jan, gridenv not working with Python 2.6 -> shall work with next UI version, open
- 21. Jan, SRM problems because of not fixed bug, happening infrequently
- 25. Jan, (alarm), VOMS not responding, because of database upgrade not working
- 27. Jan, xrootd failure to open files on castorlhcb because of a crash of xrootd. Usually should be restarted automatically. Lemon re-activated.

Tier 2s

- How to notify T2s of important upgrades?
 - Eg. in the case of the Cream CE bug.
 - WLCG channels are in place but can issues be re-inforced if important enough?

Conclusions

- LHCb production activities without any major problems
 - Timely fixing of any other incidents by sites
- LHCb grid operations is ready and eager for the new data taking phase of LHC