





HTTP improvements and SciTags

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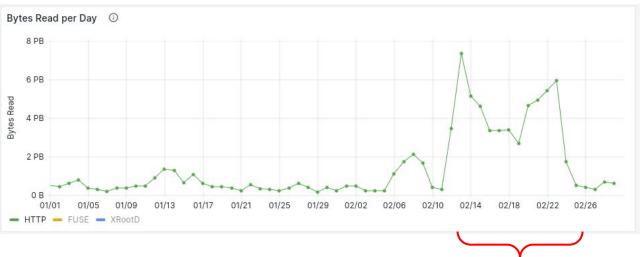
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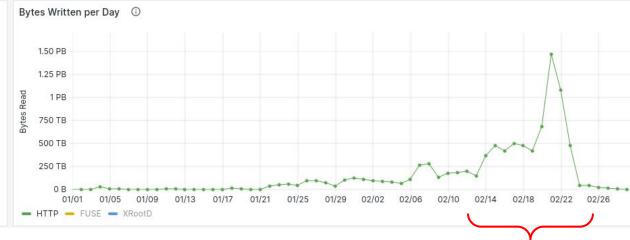
HTTP protocol is more and more popular within WLCG

Amount of bytes read/written from/to EOS since the beginning of this year









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The HTTP protocol in EOS

2 types of HTTP requests

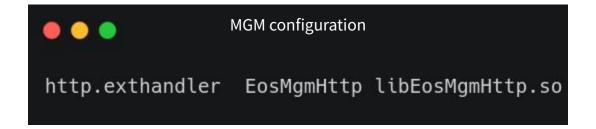
- Webdav requests
 - Upload, download, deletion, checksum request, size request...
 - Verbs: PUT, GET, HEAD, DELETE...
- HTTP TPC (Third Party Copy) requests
 - An active server will PULL/PUSH data from/to another server
 - Verb: COPY



The HTTP protocol in EOS

Webdav requests handling

- EOS provides its own implementation of PUT, GET, HEAD, DELETE...
 - Via an XrootD HTTP external handler





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HTTP TPC requests handling

Uses the native XRootD HTTP TPC plugin





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- HTTP checksum handling
 - Support user-provided checksum implementation
 - Better error handling (checksum not supported, checksum on a non-existing file...)
 - Is compliant with the RFC 3230 https://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc3230.txt
 - Respects IANA registry for digest-algorithm names and value encoding (https://www.iana.org/assignments/http-dig-alg/http-dig-alg.xhtml)
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(RFC9530)

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XRootD (Webdav) - cont.

- Read range-request support (Thanks to David Smith!)
 - curl -H "Range: bytes=0-50, 100-150" -X GET https://xrd-server.cern.ch//my/file.txt
- SciTags support



XRootD (HTTP-TPC)

- Minor bug fixes
- SciTags support



What is the use case?

- Understand Who and How the Research and Education (R&E) network is being used by the scientific community
 - Especially when critical links are overloaded, impacting workflows and data transfers



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A 16 bits unsigned integer

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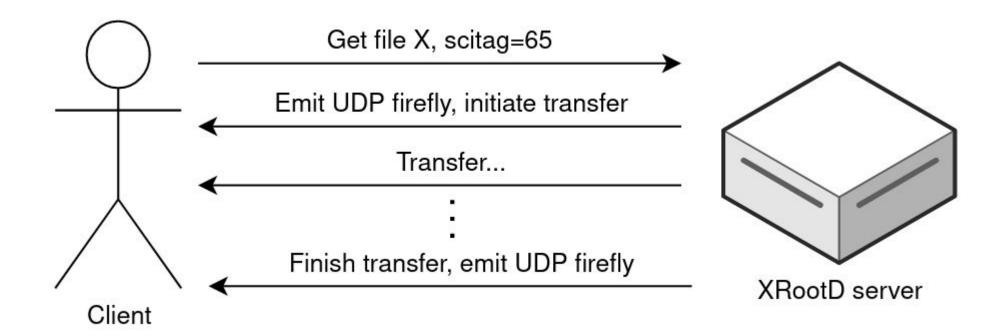


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- Mapping
 - experimentID < > experiment name
 - activityID < > activity name
 - Can be found here: https://www.scitags.org/api.json

```
. . .
  "expName": "atlas",
      "activityName": "default",
      "activityId": 1
      "activityName": "perfSONAR",
      "activityId": 2
      "activityName": "Data Brokering",
      "activityName": "Data Consolidation",
      "activityId": 4
```

Workflow





UDP firefly

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UDP firefly payload

- syslog facility header with severity: Informational: 6 and facility: Local0: 16
- JSON document that conforms to the JSON firefly schema described here:

https://www.scitags.org/schemas/v1.0.0/firefly.schema.json



UDP firefly JSON payload

```
"version": 1,
 "flow-lifecycle": {
   "state": "end",
   "current-time": "2024-02-20T16:13:56.626818+00:00"
   "start-time": "2024-02-20T16:13:55.507480+00:00",
   "end-time": "2024-02-20T16:13:56.626818+00:00"
 },
 "usage": {
   "received": 117441692,
   "sent": 1174
 },
 "netlink": {
   "rtt": 0.665
 },
 "context": {
   "experiment-id": 1,
   "activity-id": 1,
    "application": "http"
 },
 "flow-id": {
   "afi": "ipv6",
   "src-ip": "XXXX:XXXX:d00:16::18a",
   "dst-ip": "YYYY:YYYY:d00:16::18a",
   "protocol": "tcp",
   "src-port": 57284,
    "dst-port": 2001
```



Deployment

- Configuration
 - On the FST the MGM is metadata only!

```
FST configuration

xrootd.pmark use firefly scitag
xrootd.pmark domain any
xrootd.pmark ffdest firefly-endpoint.cern.ch:10514
```



Tests

- Deployed on the EOS CMS FSTs before the WLCG data challenge 2024
 - UDP fireflies emitted toward an endpoint in es.net

Total Flows per Exp/Act





Conclusion

Different HTTP improvements were done over the last year

• Chunk upload bug fix, checksum handling, range read requests handling

SciTags and UDP fireflies have been implemented in both EOS and XRootD

- A SciTag is unsigned 16 bits integer 65 <= SciTag <= 65535 provided by the client
- A UDP firefly is emitted at the beginning and the end of each transfer
- Allow to see how the network is being used by the scientific community



