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CMS

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CMS news/objectives/O&C week (in my view)



**Reviewing 2023
data-taking**



**Resources for
2024 and beyond**



**Computing
Design Report
(CDR)**



**Alternative
architectures**



**Migration to
ALMA9**



**Efficiency
improvements**

Pilot overloading

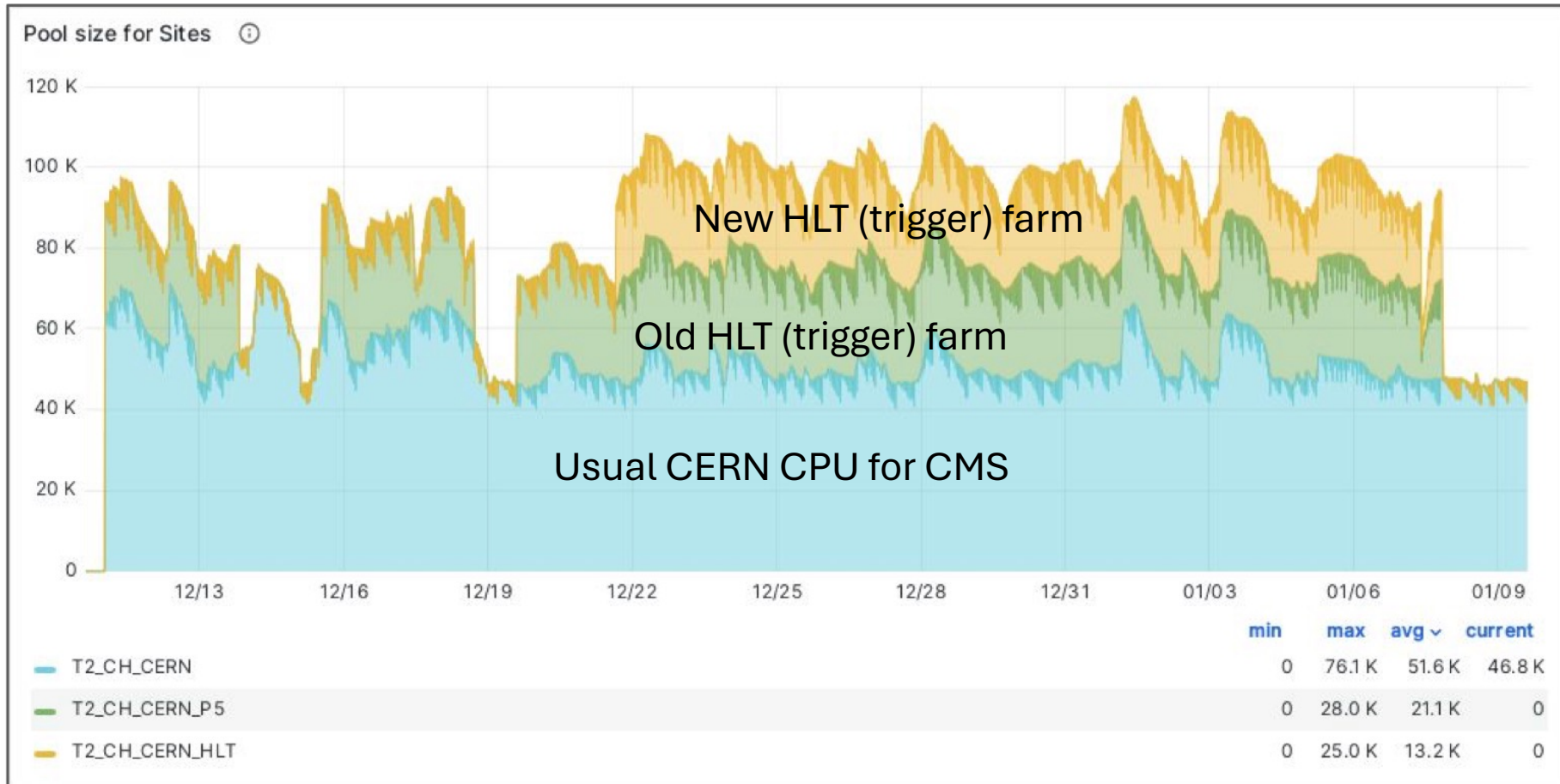


GPU latest

+ DC24 + tokens

Making use of trigger farm resources

During the winter break

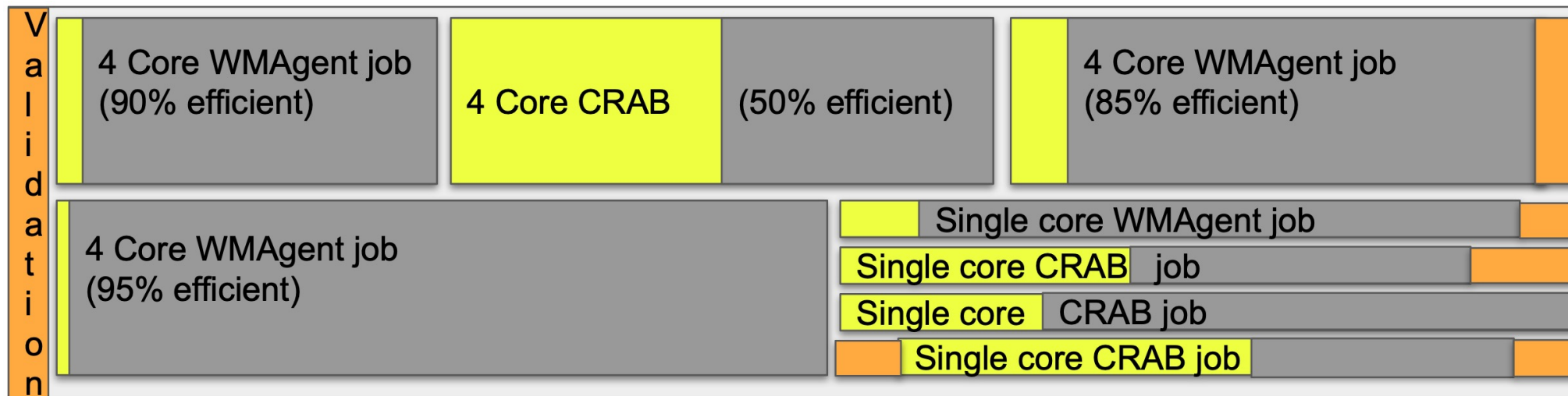


Alternative architectures

- Discussion of removing support for PowerPC
- Tests with ARM continue
 - CMS tested on the Glasgow ARM farm before Christmas
 - Frustratingly - *The validation team observes some discrepancies that need to be understood and their impact on physics needs to be assessed. So at this point ARM is not yet validated for physics in CMS.*

Overloaded pilots - motivation

- CMS wants to improve CPU efficiency (CPU time / wallclock time)
- Breaking down a typical CMS job (8 core, 48 hour duration)



- Inefficiencies are from scheduling (orange) and payload (yellow)

Overloaded pilots – scheduling inefficiencies

T1s have good scheduling efficiency



For some T2s there is room for improvement – what can we do?



Scheduling efficiency for T1 sites

data.payload.GLIDEIN_	Efficiency	Average idle CPUs	Average total CPUs
T1_US_FNAL	0.973	897	33385
T1_UK_RAL	0.978	144	6562
T1_RU_JINR	0.970	609	20606
T1_IT_CNAF	0.957	370	8621
T1_FR_CCIN2P3	0.956	350	7878
T1_ES_PIC	0.948	134	2581
T1_DE_KIT	0.941	584	9966

Detailed new monitoring is used to examine scheduling inefficiencies within the pilots

Scheduling efficiency for T2 sites

data.payload.GLIDEIN_	Efficiency ↑	Average idle CPUs	Average total CPUs
T2_BR_UERJ	0.0601	20.6	21.9
T2_CN_Beijing	0.600	107	268
T2_IN_TIFR	0.680	238	743
T2_UK_SGrid_Bristol	0.718	13.6	48.2
T2_RU_INR	0.730	20.9	77.4
T2_UK_London_Brunel	0.737	67.1	255
T2_FR_IPHC	0.746	369	1451
T2_HU_Budapest	0.755	165	675

Scheduling efficiency for T3 sites

data.payload.GLIDEIN_	Efficiency ↑	Average idle CPUs	Average total CPUs
T3_US_NotreDame	0.367	14.0	22.2
T3_US_FNALLPC	0.569	234	543
T3_TW_TIDC	0.587	10.7	25.9
T3_US_PuertoRico	0.588	14.8	35.9
T3_US_Rutgers	0.668	13.5	40.8
T3_UK_ScotGrid_GLA	0.677	188	584
T3_KR_KNU	0.733	35.0	131
T3_UK_London_QMUL	0.790	164	781

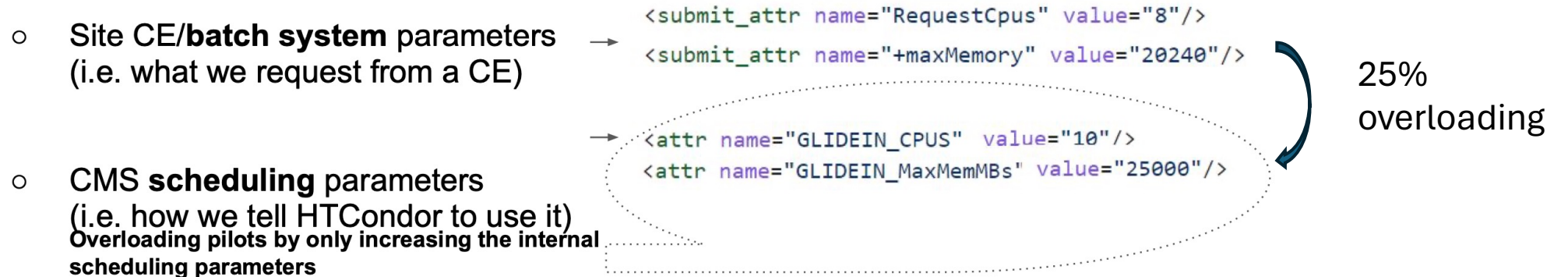
Similar for T3s

Overloaded pilots – unused memory



Overloaded pilots - testing

- During the last months IC and RALPP have been part of a test
- Overloaded pilots config looks like this:



- One CE had the new config, the other(s) had the old config
- Results on next slides
- CMS is extending the testing to more sites
- CMS is also finding scheduling efficiencies via whole-node pilot extension at selected sites

Overloaded pilots – test results

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- At IC,

ceprod00.grid.hep.ph.ic.ac.uk:9619/ceprod00.grid.hep.ph.ic.ac.uk-condor	59.29%
ceprod01.grid.hep.ph.ic.ac.uk:9619/ceprod01.grid.hep.ph.ic.ac.uk-condor	58.37%
ceprod02.grid.hep.ph.ic.ac.uk:9619/ceprod02.grid.hep.ph.ic.ac.uk-condor	62.92%
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These numbers are wrong!

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	Normal	Overloaded	Enabled
ceprod00.grid.hep.p condor			
T2_ES_PIC	82.01%	90,88%	April 2023
T2_ES_CIAMAT	82.14%	97.49%	April 2023
ceprod01.grid.hep.p condor			
T2_UK_London_IC	74.82%	83.37%	Dec 6th 2023
T2_UK_SGrid_RALPP	80.11%	95.31%	Dec 6th 2023
ceprod02.grid.hep.p condor			
T2_IT_Bari	81.27%	84.97%	Feb 20th 2024
T2_IT_Legnaro	81.71%	95.51%	Feb 20th 2024
ceprod03.grid.hep.p condor			
T2_IT_Pisa	N/A	N/A	Feb 20th 2024
T2_IT_Roma	N/A	N/A	Feb 20th 2024
T1_FR_CCIN2P3	87.41%	97.61%	March 4th 2024
T1_IT_CNAF	82.46%	84.71%	March 4th 2024
T2_BE_IIHE, T2_CH_CSCS, T2_EE_Estonia, T2_US_Caltech, T2_US_Vanderbilt, T2_US_Wisconsin			March 14th 2024



Tokens - storage

- SAM tests include *storage* tests with tokens
 - Many sites are passing these
 - RAL T1 needed a new XRootD version but tests are green since 4th March
- CMS found that not every site passing SAM tests were ready for production transfers with Rucio
- ‘Good’ sites did use tokens for DC24
 - 19 sites from the start, 25 sites by the second week
 - However, this was a minimal implementation for both CMS and FTS
 - Now reverted
- Concern about interactions with IAM

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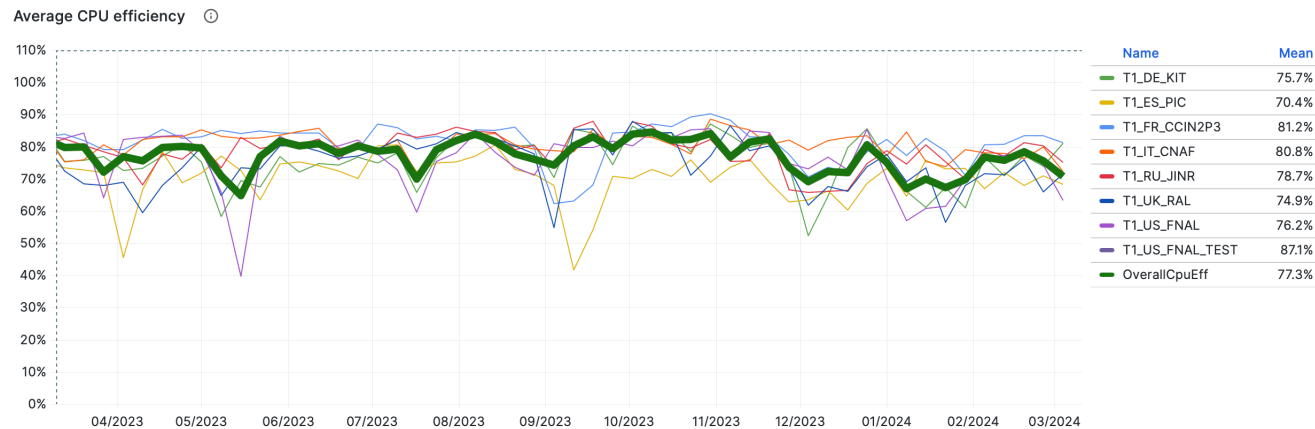
Ticket requesting the enabling of
access received yesterday morning!

CMS UK computing

How's it going?

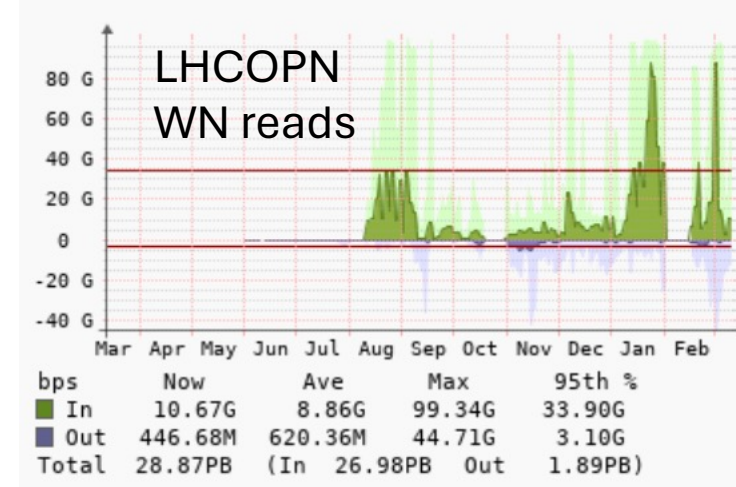
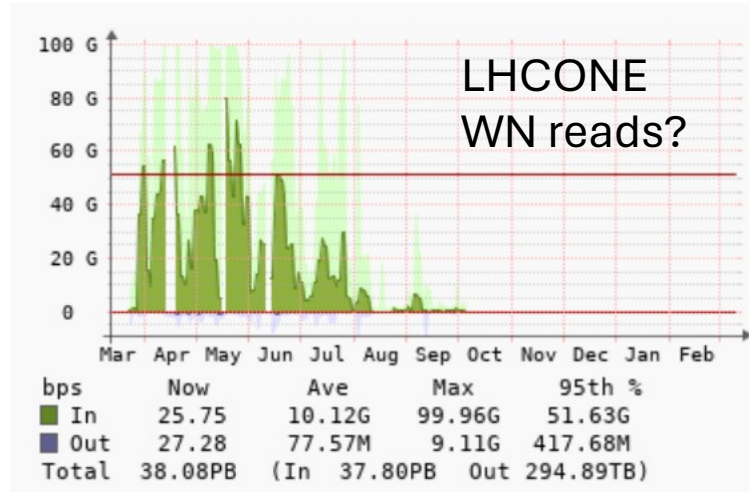
RAL – job efficiency

- Job efficiency has been around the T1 average in the last year
- Occasional drops generally attributed to periods of "drain" (i.e. when the summary of SAM tests have failure rates >10% for 2 days out of 3)

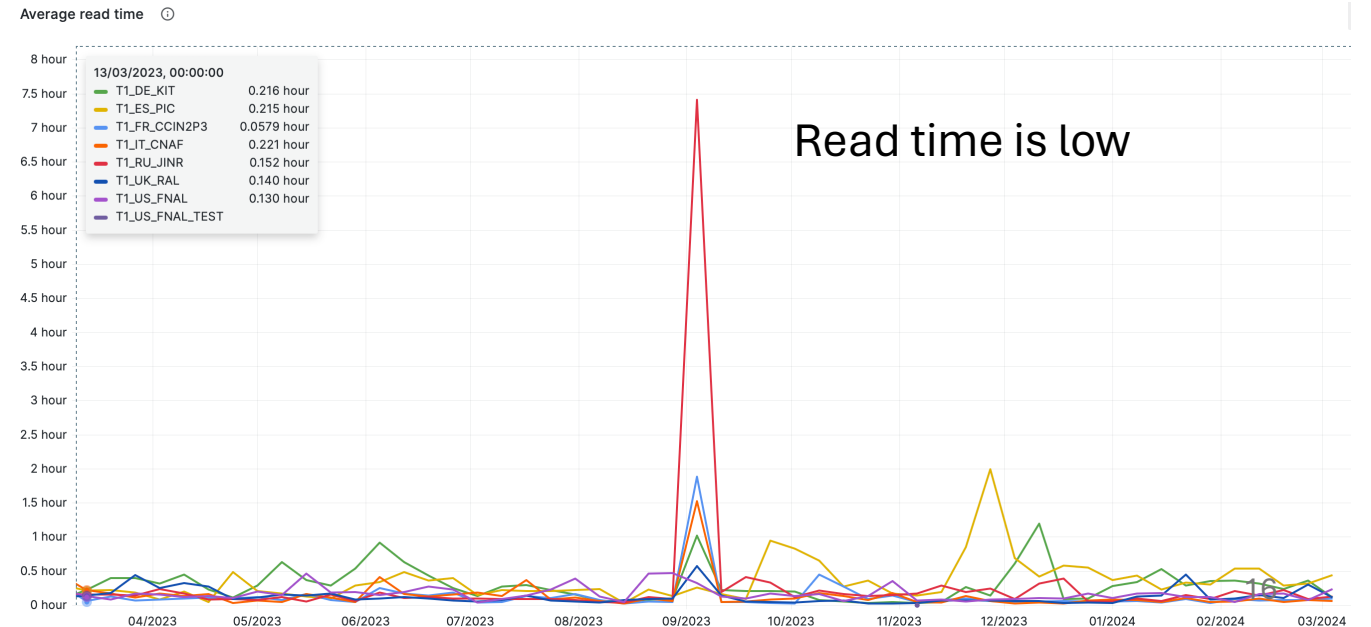
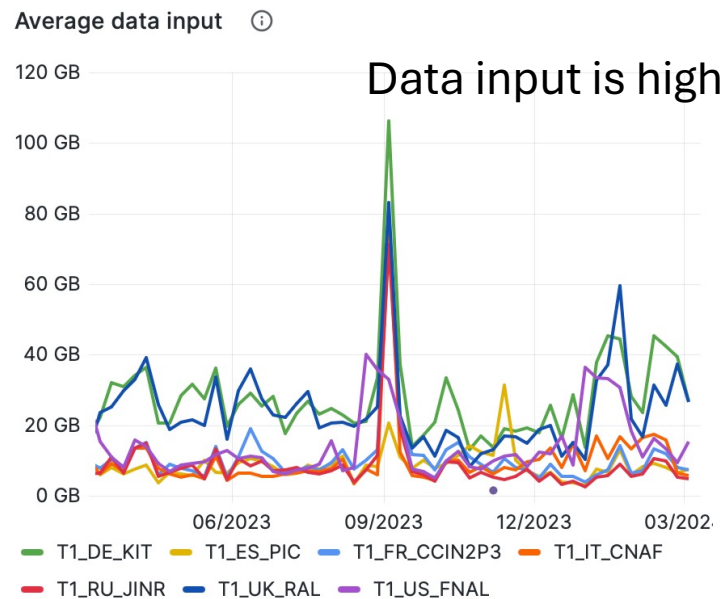


Offsite reads?

How much data is being read?



Bandwidth near saturation



Lazy-download

RAL disk transfers via FTS

- Although improved on previous years, we were aware that disk transfers via Echo gateways did not give the expected performance according to our infrastructure capabilities. Pre-DC24 tests in 2023 confirmed this.
- Liaison tests in Jan 2024 showed unexpectedly that newer gateways on the new network showed worse performance for single file write speed (~5MB/s) and in iPerf tests than older gateways on the old network (~15MB/s).

Echo gateway tests

- Transferred the same (small) file from Prague to Echo via each gateway 5 times (3rd Jan)
- Gateways were loaded with regular traffic at the time, unless otherwise specified
- Calculated the average rate for each gateway
- Arbitrarily coloured the rate green if it managed higher than 10MB/s

Dest GW	Comment	Network	Average rate (MB/s)
<u>xrootd.echo.stfc.ac.uk:1094</u>	Alias	Mix	9.43
SVC16	No production work	New	17.09
GW14		Legacy	14.82
GW15		Legacy	15.64
GW16		Legacy	17.04
GW4		Legacy	15.40
GW5		Legacy	14.76
GW6		Legacy	14.60
GW7		Legacy	11.79
SVC01		New	14.51
SVC02		New	7.03
SVC03		New	8.60
SVC05		New	9.38
SVC11		New	8.41
SVC13		New	7.46
SVC14		New	5.11
SVC15		New	5.68
SVC17		New	9.27
SVC18		New	5.40
SVC21		New	8.07
SVC22		New	10.04
SVC23		New	6.94
SVC24		New	4.20
SVC25	Didn't work	New	
SVC26	No production work	New	21.54
SVC97		Legacy	13.88
SVC98		Legacy	12.59
SVC99		Legacy	10.71

Echo gateway tests (II)

- Subsequent tests with larger files coming from CERN showed broadly consistent results (with higher rates as expected of larger files)
- iPerf tests also agreed, showing the performance is asymmetric (better rates when reading from RAL) and no significant difference between IPv4 and IPv6
- Tests with several different sources (UK, Europe, US) to two gateways (new and legacy network) again demonstrated consistent results with the legacy network faster

Echo gateway tests (III)

- During the data challenge Echo gateways were network tuned, ECN value changed, and load-balancing algorithm changed

19th March, after the above changes, before gateway moves

Source	Rate (MB/s) average over 5 transfers	
	gw16	svc14
KIT	32.46	46.21
FNAL	19.71	31.33
RALPP	46.92	46.46
IC	47.29	49.10
DESY	40.97	49.55
Purdue (US)	46.56	43.98
CSCS (CH)	43.80	50.02

Still legacy network

Always new network

Single, new network gateway improvement in time

	5/01/24, SVC14	19/03/24, SVC14
T2_CH_CERN	16.43	
T1_DE_KIT_Disk	14.48	46.21
T1_US_FNAL_Disk	13.66	31.33
T2_UK_SGrid_RALPP	13.80	46.46
T2_UK_London_IC	32.97	49.10
T2_DE_DESY	8.29	49.55
T2_US_Purdue	14.92	43.98
T2_CH_CSCS	14.56	50.02

IC

- Included in the pilot overloading tests
- Interested in further network tests
- Alex Richards now working for CMS, spending part of his time developing core Rucio code

Brunel

- Long-running storage migration from DPM to Ceph
- [Ticket](#)
- Site is now out of the 'waiting room' and fully back in production as of 5th March
- Some variable job performance to investigate

Shoveler - Monitoring software specific to XRootD transfers

- Has been tested at RAL Tier 1 for...ages.
- Observed issues for some time
 - Stopping randomly and failing to restart
 - No throughput monitoring provided / no consistent comparison with internal monitoring
- Now being rolled out to more sites
- Important for CMS as a large fraction of our data movement is via AAA (which uses XRootD)
- (In my opinion) requires “official” validation by CMS before being used
 - Possibly a task for Katy...
- Then we can use the monitoring information to make improvements

Summary

- CMS computing is ready for a bumper year of data!
- Working hard on the challenges of HL-LHC although person-power is a limiting factor
- Trying to get everything we can out of the resources we have
- Further progress for I/O at RAL
- Brunel migrated disk storage away from DPM