







AliEn status report

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Touching the APIs

- Bug found, not sending site info from ROOT to central side
 - was causing the sites to have network overloads and reduced efficiency
- Started to touch the 'untouchable' unmaintained code
 - The bug fix implied having to modify the access methods
- Found tricky code
 - hardcoded stuff for SEs
 - redundant calls
 - different use of cache and database tables in the different apis



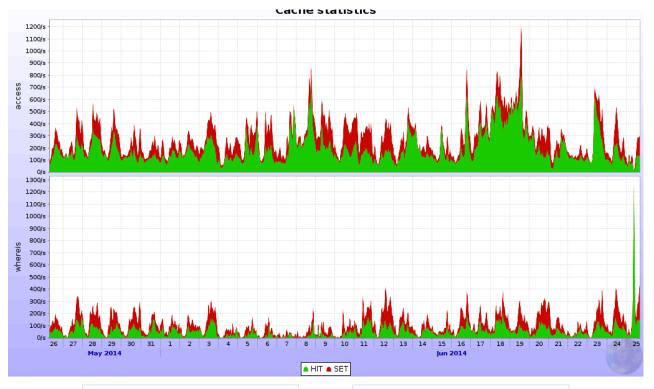
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- First step, adapt the code to process the site and attempt number from jobs read requests
 - also reading from the right table (SEDistance)
- In the case of APIs specially, we need somewhere to test
 - managed to create a new one in pcalice92
 - soon after, used new server to add a user api: apiserv08
- Spotted a part of the code to select SEs based on 'whereis'
 - but then almost same 'whereis' repeated
 - idea to cache them (heavy operation)
 - idea to sync it with job optimizers
 - since jobs are splitted based on the inputdata the jobs request to read
- Reordered cache usage
 - access the same
 - envelope was misused (caching the same information as access)
 - added whereis, same as in optimizer



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■ Result: we do less 'whereis' calls and use the cache better



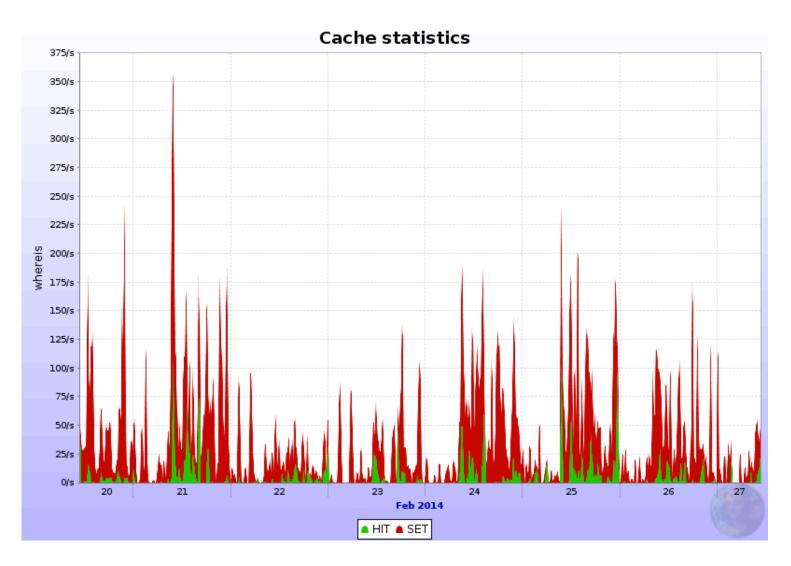
Access cache access statistics											
	Series	Last value	Min	Avg	Max	Total					
1.	HIT	139.8	0	189.9	1268	498451121					
2.	SET	160.2	0	96.4	842.1	253076986					
Total		300		286.3		751528108					

whereis cache access statistics									
	Series	Last value	Min	Avg	Max	Total			
1.	HIT	151.8	0	53.98	3361	141703422			
2.	SET	282.7	0	61.34	780.8	161026230			
	Total	434.6		115.3		302729653			

whereis : 1500000 (min: 1272, avg: 1570, max: 2868, total: 2.194 GB) : 5138099 hits findwait : 1387 (min: 12, avg: 1511, max: 35568, total: 2 MB) : 959296 hits jobbroker : 1 (min: 95, avg: 95, max: 95, total: 95 B) : 215 hits access : 506829 (min: 12, avg: 2631, max: 3823, total: 1.242 GB) : 744581 hits find : empty

Java memory stats: 32 GB total memory, 32 GB max memory, 11.62 GB free Java version: 1.7.0_55 Uptime: 43d 5:11

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AliEn code unification

- Playing with the apis code raised the issue of the AliEn versions again
 - decide to start merging
 - sync of SVN and central services
 - more differences than expected...
- Initial status
 - v2-19 CVMFS: voboxes + wns
 - CS: v2-19 + v2-20 (TQ)
 - Job APIs: v2-19.112, shared for 10 API servers
 - User API: v2-19.112 + patches, only api03



AliEn code unification

- 1. CENTRAL CVMFS
 - replace site-side parts into the CS installation
 - JobAgent, ClusterMonitor...
 - checked all files anyway
 - created alien.NEW
 - put it on some production services gradually
- 2. Jobs Users APIs
 - differences in access code and some manual patches from api03
 - new version, alien.219_API, put in job apis
 - small issues forming the envelope, coming from whereis result



AliEn code unification

- 3. APIs + CS + CVMFS
 - specially important authen, access, admin, user commands...
- Finally the one and only version! © running:
 - 1 user API: apiserv08
 - Authen in db2, JobBroker, JobManager, JobInfoManager, IS in db8
 - Progressively to the rest
- What now?
 - To be put in CVMFS
 - new version to be used/tested explicitly first?
 - SVN? (Name? now alien.FINAL)
 - Scripts, installation
 - To be fully tested...
 - But quite smooth so far
 - Differences in installations, also affect behavior
 - Fresh installation where we put the new code



Certificates

- In the last months, several problems to access the GRID by several users
- Missing/outdated certificates in CS and/or API
- Have to add them manually
 - not updated installations
 - not clear what has to be there
 - just IGTF package?
- Automatize: cronjob or tool to update some parts of the installations
 - it exists for the CVMFS one



Other items

- SPLIT jobs not MERGING
 - JOBSTOMERGE now correctly updated
 - jobs splitting into 0 subjobs now to error
- Fix for ZOMBIEs
 - race condition between insertion-waiting and execution in the node
 - fix in a db field
- JA env cleanup between jobs
- CMreport sends more, bigger messages
- Proxy-init fix
- JA check for output size
- Option to disable catalog trace from LDAP

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Other items

■ dcache issue

- having lfn-like pfns
 - root://srm.ndgf.org:1094//alice/cern.ch/user/a/alitrain/PWGJE/ Jets_PbPb_2011/104_20140609-0951/lego_train.C
 - root://srm.ndgf.org:1094//alice/disk/14/41166/ea0fce6a-e98a-11e3-abef-c7fc858f3c77
- though to be on new api only, because of new envelope creation
 - but found also on addMirror commands on original user api
- under investigation
- G tables maintenance
 - with a 'high' estable number of jobs running -> +2M entries/day
 - new table every month aprox

TIPv6

- Starting next week
- First step: update PERL version in AliEn and see what crashes
- Update to xrootd 4.0.0 in API
- Student coming on 7th July to deal with this
- Test with IPv6 stack only to make sure it works



Conclusion

- Still more things to do
 - JDL optimization in DB, Broker queries, improve commands...
- What to do with v2-20 and v2-21?
 - Catalogue conversion takes long
- HLT/Cloud incoming? (Dario)



[Almost] Birthday

■ About to reach 400.000.000 jobs ©



Questions?