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EVENT SERVICE IN THE PILOT

Refactoring, payload integration & interaction, input/output management, object store usage



Refactoring Status

- New pilot version 59a PICARD currently being rolled out contains several refactoring efforts
 - glExec
 - Many changes related to this, many bugs discovered after refactoring but now corrected – DONE, larger scale tests to begin shortly (by Edward Karavakis)
 - By Fernando Barreiro Megino/Ramon Medrano Llamas/Edward Karavakis
 - Site movers
 - Refactoring wanted due to old code base, also because of experiment specific code such as DQ2 tracing – IN PROGRESS (not a high priority)
 - By Wen Guan
 - Wen has also provided new site movers (GFAL2 and for object stores)
 - Other site mover cleanup by Paul Nilsson (removal of several outdated/unused site movers)
 - RunJob modules
 - Refactoring desired to facilitate introduction of HPC and Event Service code (see later presentation) - DONE
 - By Paul Nilsson
 - Main pilot module
 - Partly refactored for glExec
 - Separation of bulky job recovery algorithm incl. rewrite (not a high priority) TO BE DONE
 - By Paul Nilsson



Event Service Tests

- Using nightlies releases (19.X.0)
- Job task created by JEDI
 - Task submission cript created by Tadashi Maeno
- Test round consists of two jobs
 - Initial Event Service job
 - Merge job
- Event Service Tasks monitor page
 - http://bigpanda.cern.ch/tasks/?eventservice=1&display limit=300



Initial Event Service Job

- I.e. the "main" Event Service job
 - Pilot downloads event ranges, which are processed by AthenaMP
 - Output is stored in object store
- Current test job uses EVGEN + TAG input files
 - Stage-in to disappear asap when Event Index is available and AthenaMP can direct access the EVGEN file [should now be possible]
- Pilot downloads job definition as usual
 - Event service job definition contains special identifier key 'eventService' (and is set to 'True')
- Pilot/monitor asks the Experiment object which subprocess module to be used ..
 - Which means subprocess module can easily be made experiment specific
- .. and how it should be launched
 - I.e. which python options to use
- Default subprocess module is RunJobEvent (see later slide)



Merge Job

- Merge job treated as "normal" PanDA job, i.e. pilot uses RunJob module to execute payload
- Triggered when initial Event Service job finishes
 - Initial job goes to "cancelled" state
- Job definition contains specialHandling='esMerge'
 - When pilot sees this, it switches the stage-in copy tool to "objectstore"
 - Pilot stages in files from object store
 - Actual object store copy tool selection depends on specified protocol (e.g. xrootd or s3) in schedconfig.objectstore
- Merge trf merges input files and produced a single output
 - Transferred to "normal" SE



RunJobEvent

- Subprocess module that knows how to
 - Download/update event ranges from server
 - Run Token Extractor
 - Currently using TAG file staged-in by the pilot
 - New TE version available, pilot change needed
 - Run AthenaMP and communicate with it using Yampl
 - Currently pilot stages in input file needed to launch AthenaMP
 - Each event range sent to AthenaMP sequentially
 - Wait for output files to be produced
 - AthenaMP informs when a new file is ready for stage-out
 - Thread does asynchronous stage-out to object store until file queue is empty
 - Communicate with main pilot process (for heartbeat etc)
 - Currently via TCP message but is likely to be replaced by alternative method soon (yampl)
- Subclass that inherits from newly developed RunJob class
 - Base class used for running "normal" jobs
 - To be developed: RunJobHPCEvent subclass, will inherit from RunJobEvent



RunJobEvent Overview

stageIn() Transfer input files (for the time being) Trf needs a PFC to start createPoolFileCatalog() (based on input files) Launches the Token Extractor subprocess getTokenExtractorProcess() subprocess getAthenaMPProcess() Launches AthenaMP Stage-out output files as thread startAsyncronousStager() soon as they are available Listens for messages from thread startYamplListener() **AthenaMP** Download event ranges, send/ Main loop over event ranges receive instructions from **AthenaMP**



Pilot-AthenaMP Communications

- Message server run by pilot using Yampl
 - "Pilot" really means RunJobEvent here
- Event ranges are sent sequentially to AthenaMP
 - E.g. [{u'eventRangeID': u'4017466-2244492272-56108538-1001-3', u'LFN': u'EVNT.01461041._000001.pool.root.1', u'lastEvent': 1001, u'startEvent': 1001, u'GUID': u'BABC9918-743B-C742-9049-FC3DCC8DD774'}]
 - AthenaMP starts a worker that begins to process the event range
- At the end of the event range loop, 'No more events' message is sent to AthenaMP
- When an AthenaMP worker is ready with processing an event range, it sends the location of the output file as well as accounting info (CPU and wall time)
 - "<file_path>,<event_range_id>,CPU:<number_in_sec>,WALL:<number_in_sec>"
 - E.g. /tmp/Panda_Pilot_29177_1408268256/
 PandaJob_2244492272_1408268264/athenaMP-workers-AtlasG4Tf-sim/worker_3/panda.jeditest.HITS.ad4aeafe-8d4e-4d5b-b7bc-6525549d86bd.
 000001.HITS.pool.root.
 1.4017466-2244492272-56108538-1001-3,4017466-2244492272-56108538-1001-3,CPU:599,WALL:600



Object Stores

- New object store site movers developed by Wen Guan (Wisconsin)
 - objectstoreSiteMover base class for xrootdObjectstoreSiteMover (used at CERN) and S3ObjectstoreSiteMover (used at BNL)
 - Object store site mover selecion based on protocol listed in schedconfig.objectstore
 - For BNL object store secret keys are stored on the PanDA server; site mover downloads when it needs them (once per job)
- Checksums on Object Stores
 - Not provided/stored by default
 - Currently pilot can verify local vs remote checksum for the initial ES job since xrdcp returns the checksum, but then the info is forgotten (no file catalog)
 - At the moment pilot skips checksum verification until it has been added to the object stores
 - The whole point with an object store is to store objects and not only files, so it should be possible to store metadata like checksums
 - Wen found a way to store the checksums on the BNL object store
 - For the CERN object store, Andreas Peters will upgrade to a new XRootD version and configure their server for checksums

