



New job monitoring strategy on the WLCG scope

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Credits to

This work is carried out by a lot of people from different projects and institutes:

LB team, GridView team, Condor team, CERN IT-GS group, ICRTM team, EDS company collaborating with CERN via OpenLab, our colleagues from Russian institutions participating in the Dashboard development, our colleagues in the LHC experiments.



Importance of job monitoring

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- Data distribution and data processing are two main computing activities for the VOs running on WLCG infrastructure
- Quality of job processing to the large extent provides the estimation of the quality of the infrastructure in general and defines the overall success of the computing activities of the VOs
- On the other hand, detailed and reliable job monitoring helps to improve the computing models of the LHC VOs.



Complexity of the job monitoring task

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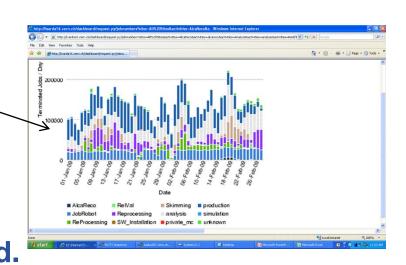
Very large scale.

Just CMS submits up to 200K

jobs per day, and this

number is steadily growing

 Infrastructure is not homogeneous.
 Several middleware flavors are used.



- VOs are using various submission methods (via WMS, direct submission to CE)
- Multiple pilot systems are used by LHC VOs: Alien, Dirac, Panda, condor-glideins.
- Therefore, currently there is no one single GRID service which can be instrumented in order to get information about all jobs submitted to the WLCG infrastructure.



Complexity of the job monitoring (estimation of efficiency)

- Currently two main categories are considered regarding job failure:
 - Grid aborts. Job was not successfully processed by the Grid through the job processing chain

submitted -> allocated to the site-> ran at the WN -> saved the output sandbox

 Job was successfully processed by the GRID, but application exited with non 0 code. Normally considered as user failure

- In reality when the job is aborted by the GRID this is not always problem of the GRID services.
 - Examples: Error in the JDL file, expiration of user proxy
- Even more often it happens that application failure has nothing to do with the problem of application itself.
 - Examples: Job failed due to the problem of SE, catalogue,... while accessing input file or saving the output
- Failure diagnostics both from the GRID sources and applications is very often incomplete, unclear or even misleading

ONLY a combination of GRID and what is considered application efficiency can give the estimation of the quality of the infrastructure.

But this implies proper decoupling of user errors from the problems caused by the GRID services or site misconfiguration.



Job monitoring in LHC experiments

- ALICE and LHCb have central queue for VO users, most of jobs of these VOs are submitted via central queue.
 - Single submission point -> single point for collecting monitoring data.

Quite simple model regarding monitoring

- For ATLAS and CMS situation is more complicated.
 Distributed submission systems, several middleware platforms are used, various submission methods and execution backends.
 - Multiple solutions for job monitoring : PANDA monitoring, ProdAgent monitoring, Experiment Dashboard.

Rather complex task regarding monitoring



Job monitoring in LHC experiments

- Information sources for job monitoring:
 - Job submission tools, jobs instrumented to report their status, GRID services keeping the track of status of jobs being processed like Logging and Bookkeeping system
- A variety of methods for information retrieval and transport protocols are used
- Regardless of organization of work load management systems of the experiments all LHC VOs need to query the GRID services keeping track of job status on regular basis



Job monitoring on the global WLCG scope

- Do we currently have a reliable overall runtime picture of job processing on the global WLCG scope?
- We have to admit that situation is far of being ideal.
- The only monitoring tool providing the overall view for all jobs (all VOs) running on the WLCG infrastructure is Imperial College Real Time Monitor (ICRTM).
- Recently the new instance of Dashboard Job Monitoring had been set up to show job processing of all VOs running on WLCG infrastructure. AS information source it is using xml files published by ICRTM:

http://dashb-lcg-job.cern.ch/dashboard/request.py/jobsummary



Job monitoring on the global WLCG script structure scope (current situation)

- Currently ICRTM collects information via direct connection to Logging and Bookkeeping DB
- Only jobs submitted via WMS are recorded in LB and correspondingly are monitored by ICRTM
- Substantial fraction of jobs submitted via WMS escape ICRTM monitoring



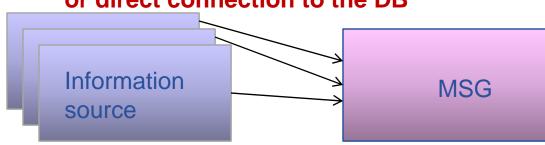
New job monitoring architecture approach

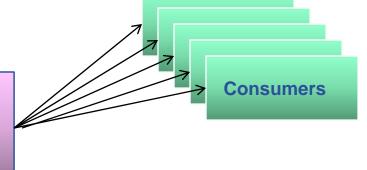
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MAIN PRINCIPLES:

1). Messaging oriented architecture

2).Avoid regular pooling of jobs status changes or direct connection to the DB





LB, CREAM CE (via CEMon notification), Condor-g, jobs instrumented to report their progress, Job Submission Tools of the experiments Messaging
System for the
Grids
Apache
ActiveMQ
implementation

Various clients of job monitoring information, like GridView, Dashboard, ICRTM, Dirac, CRAB server, etc...

Apache ActiveMQ had been evaluated as an appropriate solution for WLCG messaging system following the program of work defined by Grid Service Monitoring Working Group chaired by James Casey and Ian Neilson

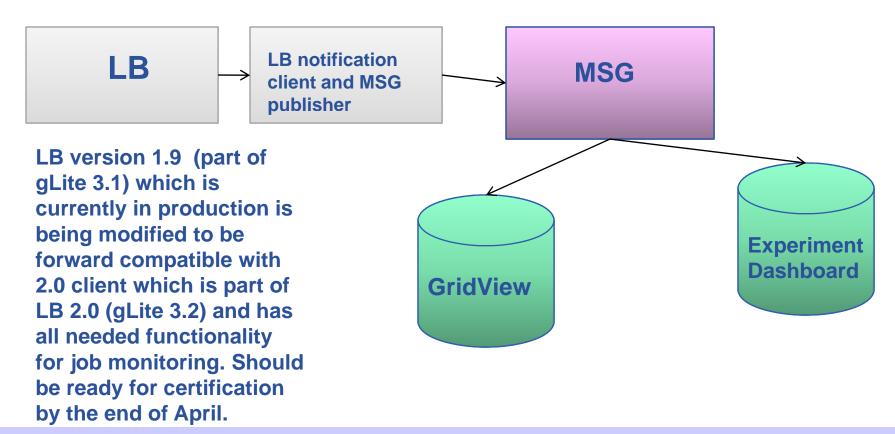


Advantages of the new architecture

- Common way of publishing information by various information sources
- Common way of communication between different components of the WLCG infrastructure
- No need to connect to multiple instances of the information sources (LB DBs for example)
- Job monitoring information is publicly available for all possible interested parties
- Decreasing load on the Grid services caused by regular pooling of information about job status changes -> improving of their performance



Collaboration of LB, GridView and Experiment Dashboard teams.

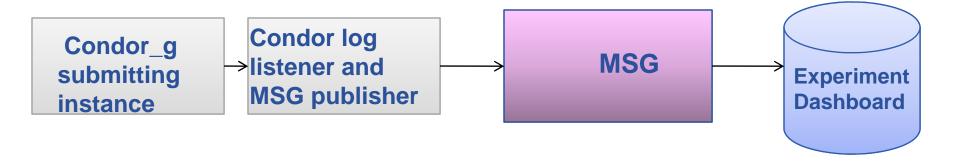


For more details about MSG see poster of D. Rocha "MSG as a core part of the new WLCG monitoring infrastructure"



Prototyping complete chain (other examples)

1). Collaboration of Condor and Dashboard teams Instrumentation of condor_g for MSG reporting



2). Collaboration of Dashboard team with LHC experiments Instrumentation of Job Submission Tools of ATLAS and CMS for reporting of application level monitoring information via MSG

See another working example in the talk of U.Schwickerath "Monitoring the efficiency of the user jobs"



Interfacing job monitoring data

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- Global view, performance of the infrastructure in general (GridView, ICRTM, Experiment Dashboard, systems are in place, but need to improve reliability and completeness of provided data)
- VO view, whether VO can perform their tasks on the GRID (Experiment specific monitoring systems like Dirac, MonAlisa for ALICE, Panda monitoring, Experiment Dashboard for ATLAS and CMS. Work quite well and provide reliable monitoring)
- Site view, whether my site is working well and satisfies the VO requirements
- User view, did my jobs run and produced needed data.

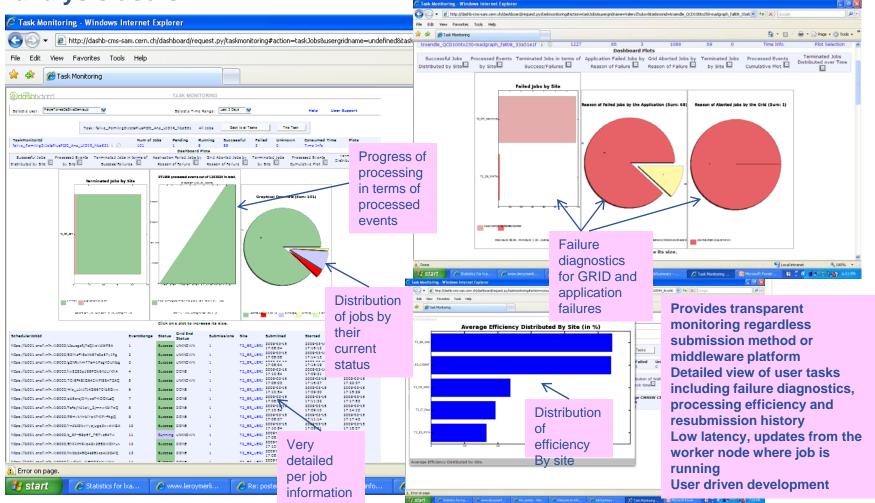
 (Last two views in particular the one for sites are being addressed in the recent development, examples further in the talk)

As a rule the monitoring data repository keeps very detailed per job information. Variety of user interfaces is provided on top of central repository to satisfy different use cases (VO managers, production, operations, user support teams, users running jobs on the GRID)



Example of user centric monitoring

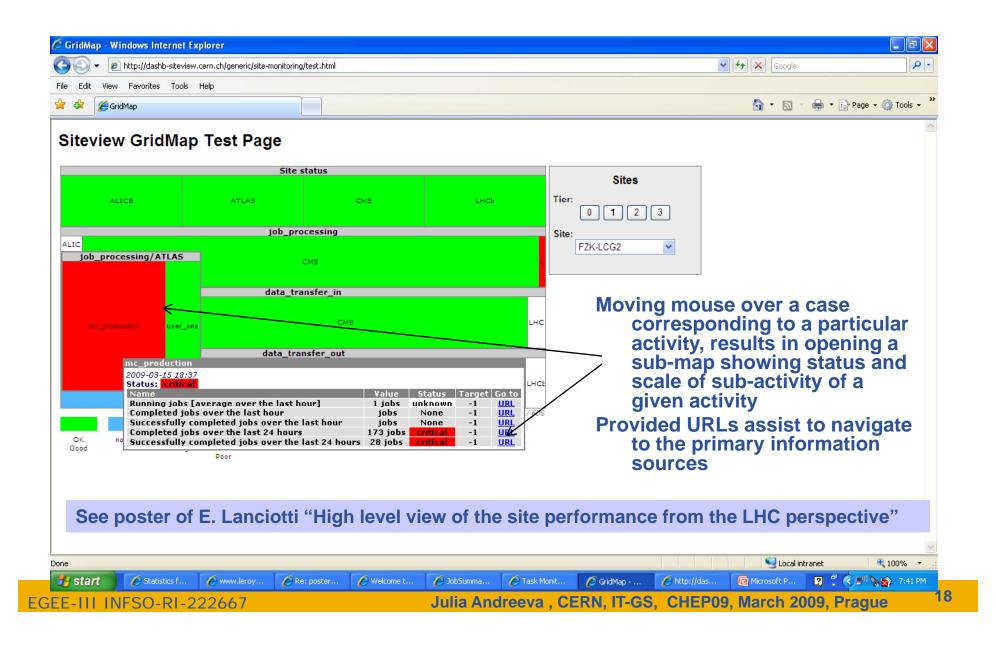
CMS Task monitoring for analysis users



See poster of E. Karavakis "CMS Dashboard Task Monitoring: A user-centric monitoring view."



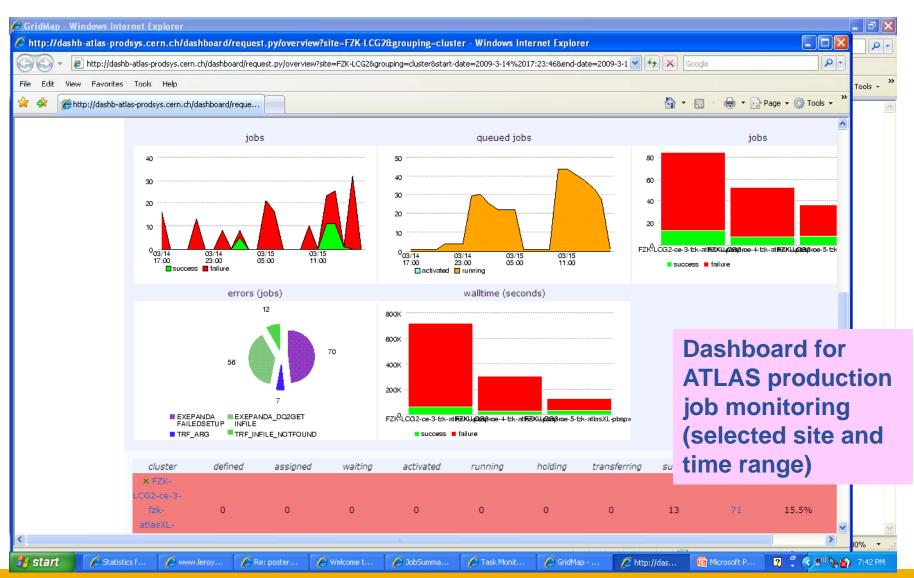
High level view for site administrators





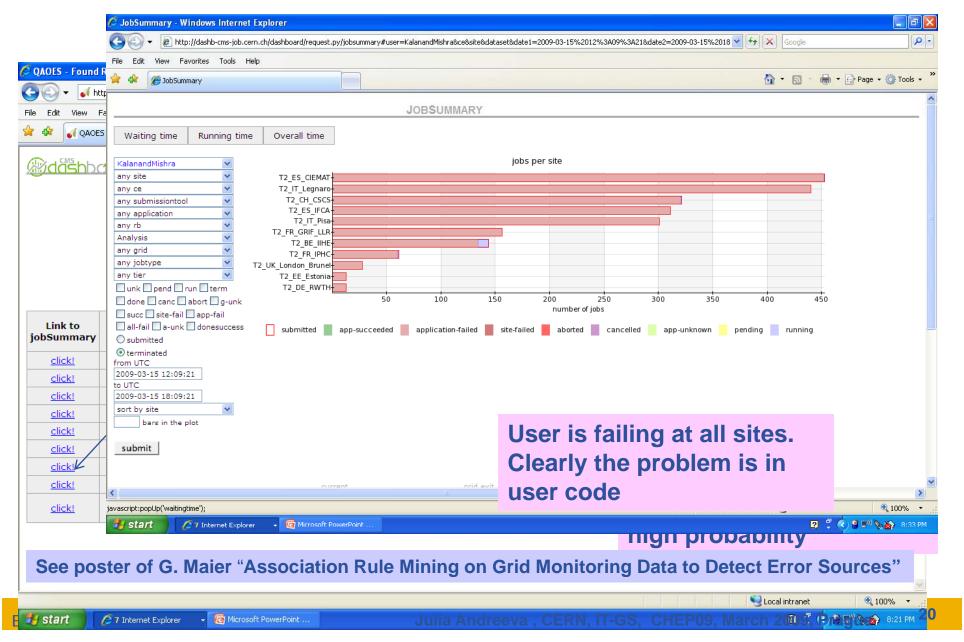
Navigating towards primary information source

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Data mining application using job monitoring statistics





Summary

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- Monitoring systems of the LHC VOs provide rather complete view of job processing on the WLCG infrastructure
- There is still a big room for improvements regarding job monitoring on the global WLCG scope
- Main principles for new job monitoring architecture had been defined. Implementation is ongoing.
- The monitoring systems of the LHC VOs as well as their work load management systems will benefit when the new system is in place