



CTA report

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CTA (Cherenkov Telescope Array) The next generation instrument in the VHE gamma-ray astronomy

The project:

- Consortium of > 1200 scientists in 25 countries
- Current construction phase (2015-2022)
- Operations will start in 2023 and will last > 10 years

Scientific goals:

- Cosmic rays origins
- High Energy astrophysical phenomena
- Fundamental physics and cosmology







CTA-DIRAC hardware setup

- DIRAC instance dedicated to CTA
- 4 core servers (at PIC):
- 1 server running all Services: 4 cores, 8GB RAM
- 1 server running all Agents, Executors and a few Services: 2 cores, 2GB RAM
- 1 MySQL server hosting all DBs: 4 cores, 8GB RAM
- 1 server hosting the web portal: 2 cores, 1GB RAM
- 2 additional servers running specific components (at IN2P3):
- 1 server hosting a DIRACSE: 16 cores, 8GB RAM and 2 TB of disk for the SE
- 1 server running an RMS Agent to export camera test data to grid SEs
- Installed DIRAC version: v6r12p3





DIRAC functionalities in use

- Accounting
- Data Management (DMS)
- DIRAC File Catalog (DFC)

 \odot Extensively used as replica and meta-data catalog

- Request Management (RMS)
 - For bulk removal (through CLI or TS)
 - \circ For job failover

• Transformation (TS)

 \odot Until now only for MC Simulation and bulk removal

 \odot For the upcoming productions, also for Merging and Dataprocessing

Workflow

 \odot Very limited use until now

 \circ Plan to fully use workflows for the next MC production

Workload Management (WMS)

It targets: CREAM CE, ARC CE
 Use exclusively SiteDirector





DIRAC systems extended

• Interfaces (API)

 $_{\odot}$ Simple extension of Job API to configure and run 6 CTA applications

Request Management (RMS)

- We have the use-case of a server that has to treat only 'putAndRegister' requests
- Small modification of the RequestExecutingAgent (and ReqDB) to treat only given operation types
- \circ Could this possibility be generally integrated into DIRAC?

• Transformation (TS)

• Work in progress to make it fully data-driven (see talk on TS)





Externals, new DIRAC extensions, new DIRAC systems

• Externals

LFC: plan to migrate completely to DFC (already in use for MC production)
 In future, the 'CTA Archive System' -> to be interfaced by DIRAC WMS and TS
 Testing CVMFS

New DIRAC extension

 \odot Re-write CTA Job API

New DIRAC Systems

Develop CTA Production System
 Interested in VMDIRAC





Externals: CTA Archive System

• At term CTA will have an 'Archive System', comprising:

- All data management functionalities
- Catalog (replica and metadata)
- $\ensuremath{\circ}$ Interface with storage resources

• We will keep using DIRAC WMS, TS

• Need to work on interfaces between DIRAC WMS, TS and the CTA Archive



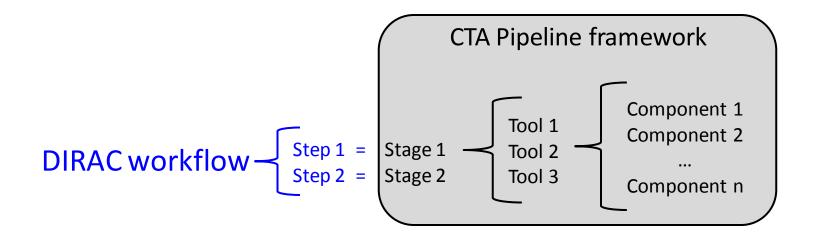


New DIRAC extension: CTA Job API

• Currently very limited use of DIRAC workflows:

- Jobs execute a workflow containing a single step (the logic of the sequence of steps is implemented inside the step itself)
- CTA 'Pipeline framework', i.e. the sw framework for CTA applications, is currently being designed
- Plan to link CTA Pipeline framework to DIRAC workflows:
 - CTA Pipeline framework handles everything that happens within a 'Stage'
 - \odot CTA Pipeline Stages would correspond to DIRAC workflow Steps

• Plan to re-write the CTA Job API







New DIRAC Systems

• CTA Production System:

- The goal is to develop a high level system to manage all the production activities, similarly to the LHCb Production System
- \odot It will based on the TS
 - Further develop the TS to support chained transformations

Interested in VMDIRAC

• We must be ready to integrate cloud resources

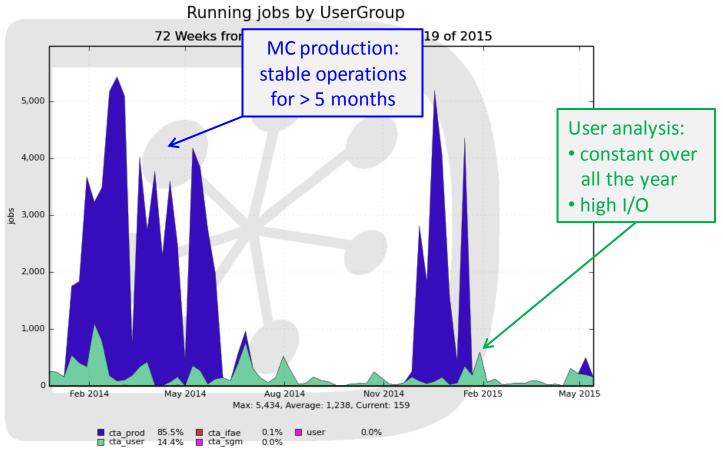


DIRAC usage in 2014-2015 (I)



Running jobs:

- Stable regimes of 4000-5000 running jobs
- About 4.3 M executed jobs (122 M HS06 CPU hours)







DIRAC usage in 2014-2015 (II)

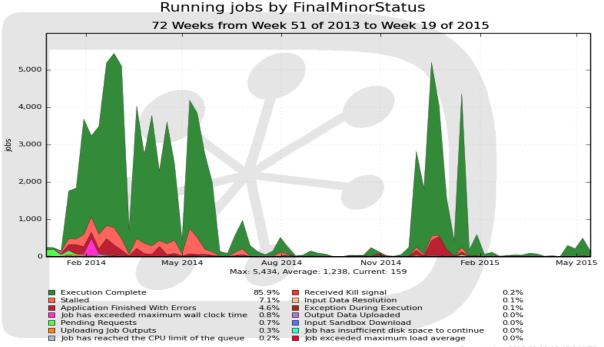
• Overall success rate:

 $\circ\,86\%$ not so good

• Main reasons for failures:

- Stalled jobs (proxy renewal, CPU limit exceeded, etc.)
- \circ Application errors

 \odot Some limitations are due to the hw of the CTA-DIRAC servers

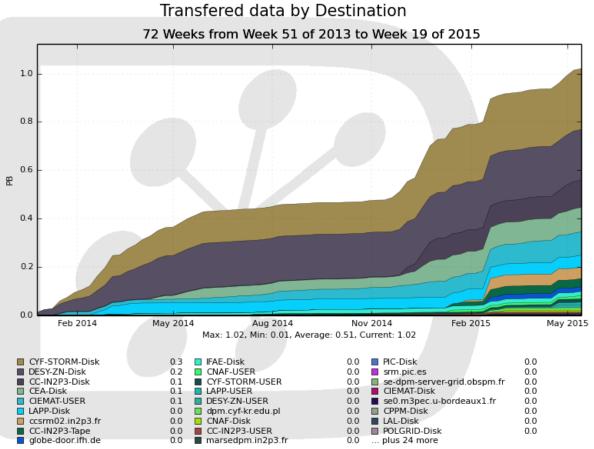






DIRAC usage in 2014-2015 (III)

• About 1 PB of transferred data



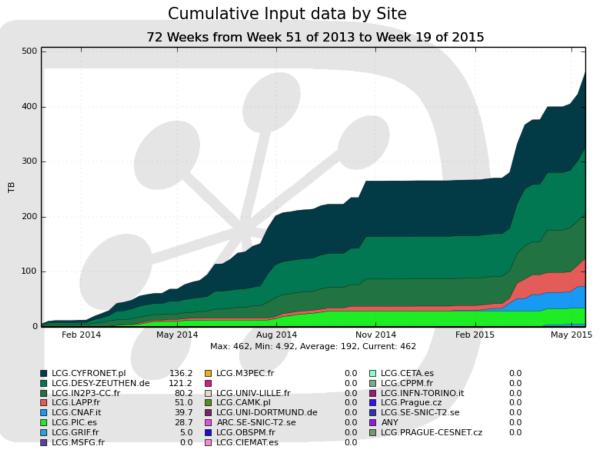
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DIRAC usage in 2014-2015 (IV)

• About 460 TB of processed data for users analysis







Conclusions

- CTA will start operations around 2023 and will be producing several PB/year for > 10 years
- To prepare CTA data-processing we have started DIRAC evaluation in 2011:

 Using several components: WMS, DMS, DFC, RMS, TS
 CTA-DIRAC successfully running since 4 years for MC production and analysis (already a computing challenge)
- New MC campaign will start soon and will be much more challenging and complex to manage. Good training for future CTA operations!
 - \odot Several transformations to be chained:
 - 200k MC Simulation jobs, each producing about 50 GB, split into 6 Level 0 files
 6 processing passes of Level 0 files, producing Level 1 files
 Removal of Level 0 files (~ 10 PB)
 Merging of Level 1 files
 Run 3 analysis chains on Level 1 files
- At term, DIRAC will be used for the whole Level 1 CTA data-processing: • Using WMS and TS to be interfaced to the future CTA Archive





Plans

- Further work on the TS development to make it fully data-driven (see talk on TS)
- Develop CTA Production System based on the TS
- Complete re-writing of the CTA Job API and extensive usage of DIRAC workflows as soon as the CTA Pipeline framework will be ready
- Work on interfaces with external systems (CTA Archive, science gateway)
- Be ready to integrate new type of resources, interested to VMDIRAC

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BACKUP





CTA VO grid resources

The CTA VO:

- Active since 2008
- Today: 21 sites in 7 countries
- About 100 members

Resources:

- Dedicated and opportunistic resources
- CPU:
 - 4000-5000 cores available on average
- Storage:
 - More than 1 PB dedicated in 6 sites

CTA VO EGI sites



Current activity: MC Simulation (I)



Objectives:

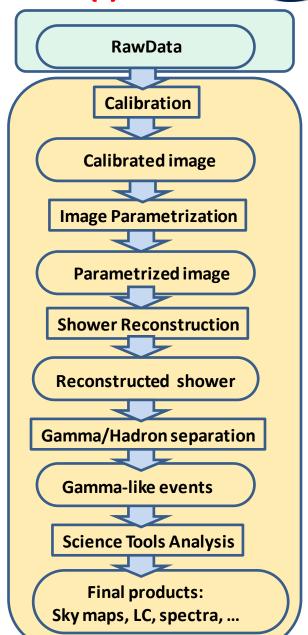
- Site selection (North and South)
- Study of telescope and array design
- Algorithm optimisation
- Studies of final instrument performances

High statistics needed:

• 10⁹ - 10¹⁰ simulated events for each study

MC Production:

- Shower generation and propagation in the atmosphere
- Telescope response simulation
- MC Analysis:
- Reconstruction and analysis





DIRAC usage in 2014-2015



DIRAC File Catalog:

- Used for MC production
- 15.7 M replicas
- Typical user queries select tens of thousands of files

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