





# Overview of CRAB3: Middleware for submitting CMS users' jobs to the grid



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# What is CRAB?



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#### **About CRAB3**

- CMS Remote Analysis Builder version 3
- It's a distributed workflow management tool written in python
- Part of the Data and Workload management project (DMWM) in CMS.
- Software with which CMS users (physicists) can submit their data analysis and monte-carlo simulations to the Worldwide LHC Computing Grid (WLCG).

#### **About CRAB3**

- With CRAB, users submit tasks:
  - A unit of work corresponding to the processing of an input dataset or simulation.
  - Is split into many jobs to speed up processing.
- Job
  - A small piece of processing of a part of an input dataset or simulation.
  - Generally uses one processor core in the WLCG

#### Some CRAB3 features

- Simplifies the submission of jobs to the Grid (splits a task into jobs, generates input for the HTCondor batch processing software, checks for sites that are down, input data availability)
- Allows the user to track the status of their jobs via "crab status" command or the task dashboard webpage.
- Allows control of jobs as a single unit (task)
- Resubmits failed jobs
- Asynchronous Stage-Out component manages output data transfers to the user's specified location
- Publishes output data so that it can be used as input later on)

## Job dashboard

Powered by hBrowse framework

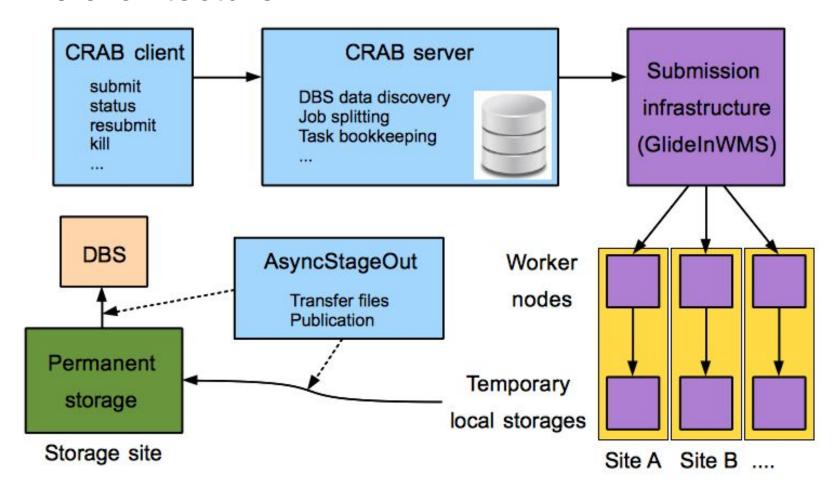


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# Example crab status output

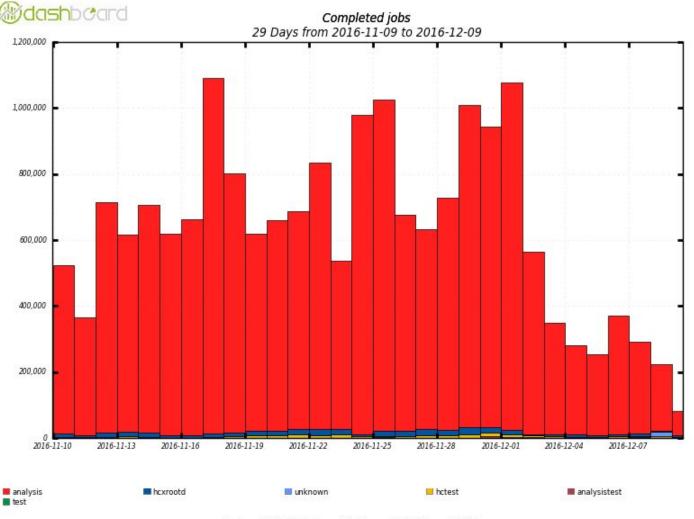
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CRAB project directory: /afs/cern.ch/user/e/erupeika/crab_projects/crab_1612rc6_preprod_test9
                               161209_105351:erupeika_crab_1612rc6_preprod_test9
Task name:
Grid scheduler:
                               crab3-5@vocms059.cern.ch
Task status:
                               COMPLETED
Dashboard monitoring URL: http://dashb-cms-job.cern.ch/dashboard/templates/task-analysis/#user=erupeika&ta
ble=Mains&pattern=161209_105351%3Aerupeika_crab_1612rc6_preprod_test9
Jobs status:
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[erupeika@lxplus033 crab projects]$
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#### CRAB3 architecture

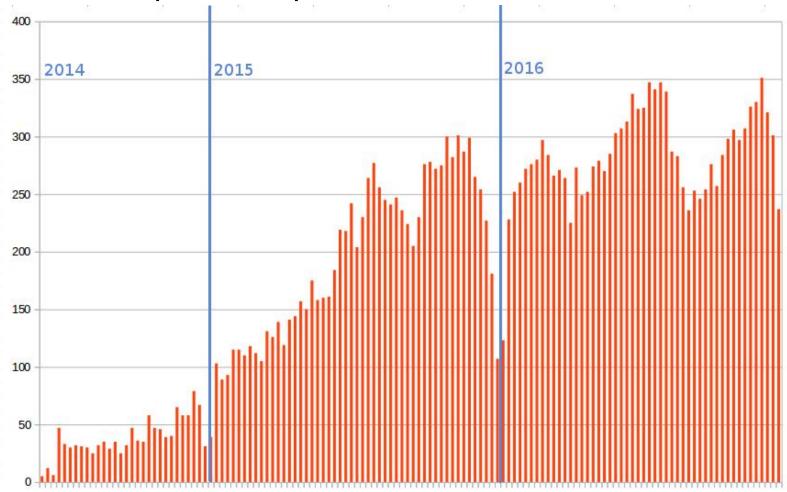


Number of completed jobs last month.

Total ~19 million



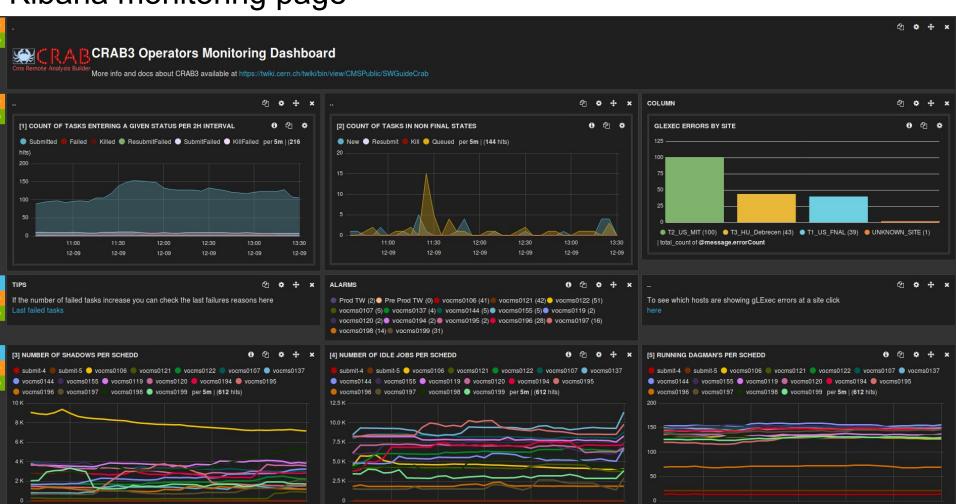
### Number of unique users per week since the start of CRAB3



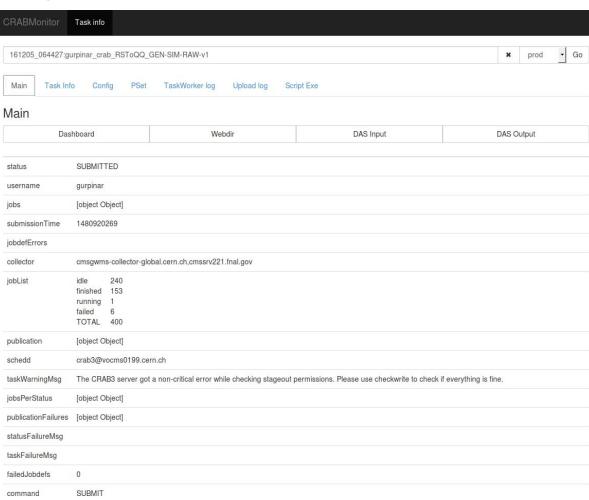
## Quickly about what I do

- Maintenance
  - Bugs, improvements of existing features, CRABMon
- Accept pull requests
  - Code changes submitted by other developers
- Keep an eye on the infrastructure
- Integration tests
  - Usually there is a monthly deployment of a new CRAB version
  - All of the components have to be tested working together to make sure the changes don't break something unexpected
- Create packages (rpms) from which our software components are deployed

#### Kibana monitoring page



#### **CRABMonitor**





# Thanks!