Testing Dynamic Data Allocation Algorithms Within a GRID Simulator

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A Little Review From Last Time...

- Goals for the summer
 - Design and build a GRID simulator
- What's the point?
 - To model present load conditions and congestion within the GRID
 - To test dynamic data distribution algorithms for improved performance
 - All without disrupting ongoing activity within the GRID





SimGrid vs. GridSim vs. SimPy ...

- Evaluation of GRID/Cloud Computing Simulation Packages
 - SimGrid
 - Written in C
 - Pros: Fast execution time; low memory consumption; scalable
 - Cons: Lacks some necessary functionality
 - GridSim
 - Written in Java
 - Pros: Highly developed; excellent internal logging of network traffic
 - Cons: Very slow execution time; memory consumption not scalable
 - SimPy
 - Written in Python
 - Pros: Fast execution time; Python easy to code in
 - Cons: Least developed of all three packages

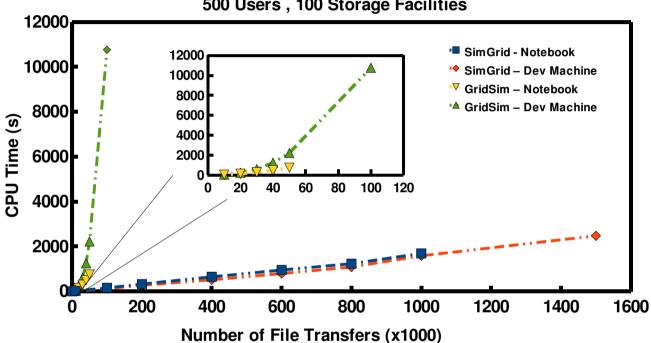




And the Winner is....

Package Performance

500 Users, 100 Storage Facilities



...SimGrid

- Attempted to simulate one day on GRID (~1.5 million file transfers)
- GridSim: exponential scaling in CPU time with increasing transfers
- SimGrid: linear scaling in CPU Time with increasing transfers





Ongoing Work

- TopologyGen.py a topology generator
 - Python script to define links between nodes on the GRID
 - Parses "TiersOfATLASCache.py" for all Tier-1 and Tier-2 nodes within each GRID cloud
 - Queries DQ2 database to find used and free disk space at each node (among other things)
 - Compiles information into two XML files which define the GRID topology for the simulator

Platform.xml

Deployment.xml





Ongoing Work (cont.)

- LoadGen.py a load generator
 - Python script to simulate file transfer traffic on GRID
 - Generates CSV files for each active node
 - Unique file ID
 - Target node
 - File size
 - Inter-arrival time

- Plotting facility
 - Basic user interface in MatPlotLib Python library
 - Plot disk space evolution on each node following simulation
 - Plot file transfers vs. time on each link following simulation
 - Currently each link and node reports to its own log file – may implement database to log simulation history





Any Questions?





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